# AOCS POLICY FOR PUBLICATIONS FINAL

- All publications should include "the AOCS Study Group"\* as an author (where possible in early papers this group would be listed in full in an appendix)
- Individual authorship should be determined by contribution\*\* investigators / collaborators would not be listed unless they had contributed to a particular paper
- All publications (and abstracts) should be sent to the AOCS Management Group for approval before submission
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- All publications should include the appropriate paragraph(s) (see below) acknowledging (i) sources of funding and (ii) collaborators

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### A. STATEMENT RE ETHICAL APPROVAL

1. Studies that only include women recruited through the hospitals / clinics (eg. Those that require fresh tissue collection):

This study was approved by the Human Research Ethics Committees at the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, Queensland Institute of Medical Research, University of Melbourne and all participating hospitals.

2. Studies that also include women identified through the Cancer Registries in NSW, SA or WA:

This study was approved by the Human Research Ethics Committees at the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, Queensland Institute of Medical Research, University of Melbourne, New South Wales Cancer Council, The Cancer Council South Australia, The Cancer Foundation of Western Australia and all participating hospitals.

## **B. STATEMENT RE FUNDING:**

1. For all studies that use Epidemiology data only

This study was supported by the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command under **DAMD17**-01-1-0729, The Cancer Council Tasmania and The Cancer Foundation of Western Australia

2. For all studies that use Biospecimen data only or Biospecimen data and Epidemiology data and but NOT Clinical follow-up data from AOCS:

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4. For all studies that include Clinical Follow-up data only

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