

# Northwestern University Schizophrenia Data and Software Tool Data Use Agreement

Recipient (identified below) is requesting access to Northwestern University Schizophrenia Data and Software Tool for the purpose of scientific investigation, teaching or the planning of clinical research studies. Prior to accessing the NUSDAST data ("Data"), Recipient must agree to the following terms and conditions regarding its use:

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- Recipient will make no attempt to determine the identity of any individual who contributed to these Data.
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- Recipient will acknowledge funding by NUSDAST in the support acknowledgement section of the manuscript using language similar to the following:
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