



## **GDPR Regulations and Compliance**

The EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) replaces the Data Protection Directive 95/46/EC and was designed to harmonize data privacy laws across Europe, to protect and empower all EU citizens data privacy and to reshape the way organizations across the region approach data privacy. The key articles of the GDPR, as well as information on its business impact, can be found throughout this site:

<https://www.eugdpr.org/>

### **(1) Information We Collect**

Site: We may collect personally identifiable information about you, such as your email address, full name, mailing address, phone number, phone number type, current job title, current institution, current institution type, spoken language, timezone, and areas of interest when you register for an account. Additional personally identifiable information can be provided by you after an account has been created, such as educational history, work experience history, social media accounts, and gender. We also use Google Analytics to capture your movement and decisions throughout our website.

### **(2) How We Use Your Information**

We use the information that we collect to operate and maintain our Site, send you marketing communications, provide you with relevant content, respond to your questions and concerns.

### **(3) How We Share Your Information**

(a) Personally Identifiable Information: eScience Info will not rent or sell your personally identifiable information to others without your express consent. We may store personal information in locations outside of the direct control of eScience Info (for instance, on servers or databases co-located with hosting providers). Any personally identifiable information that you elect to make publicly available on our Site, such as posting

comments on any of our pages, will be available to others. If you remove information that you have made public on Our Service, copies may remain viewable in cached and archived pages of our Site, or if other users have copied and saved that information.

(b) Non-Personally Identifiable Information: We may share non-personally identifiable information (such as anonymous usage data, referring/exit pages and URLs, platform types, number of clicks, etc.) with interested third parties to help them understand the usage patterns for certain eScience Info Services.

#### **(4) Storage and Processing**

Your information collected through our Site may be stored and processed in the United States, Europe, or any other country in which eScience Info or its affiliates or service providers maintain facilities.

#### **(5) How We Protect Your Information**

eScience Info is concerned with protecting your privacy and data, but we cannot ensure or warrant the security of any information you transmit to eScience Info or guarantee that your information on our Site may not be accessed, disclosed, altered or destroyed by breach of any of our industry standard physical, technical, or managerial safeguards. When you enter sensitive information (such as login credentials) on our registration forms or within your profile, we encrypt that information using Transport Layer Security (TLS). No method of transmission over the Internet or method of electronic storage, is 100% secure, however. Therefore, we cannot guarantee its absolute security. If you have any questions about the security on our Site, you can contact us at [info@escienceinfo.com](mailto:info@escienceinfo.com)

#### **(6) Access, Correction, Deletion**

We respect your privacy right and provide you with reasonable access to the Personal Data that you may have provided through your use of the Site. If you wish to access or amend any other Personal Data we hold about you or to request that we delete any

information about you that we have obtained, you may contact us at [www.escienceinfo.com](http://www.escienceinfo.com) At your request, we will have any reference to you deleted or blocked in our database

You may update, correct, or request to delete your Account information and preferences at any time by accessing your Account Settings page on our Site. Please note, while any changes you make will be reflected in active user databases instantly, or within a reasonable period of time. We may retain all information you submit for backups, archiving, prevention of fraud and abuse, analytics, satisfaction of legal obligations, or where we otherwise reasonably believe that we have a legitimate reason to do so.

You may decline to share certain Personal Data with us, in which case we may not be able to provide you some of the features and functionality of the Service.

At any time, you may object to the processing of your Personal Data, on legitimate grounds, except if otherwise permitted by applicable law.

**Customized Content:** Information you provide at registration or in your Profile section is also used to customize your experience on the Site. For example, based on the discipline you enter in your Profile, you will receive targeted news, publications, event notices, job postings, and advertisements that may be of particular interest to you.

**Sharing Information With Third Parties:** eScience Info takes the privacy of our users very seriously. We will never sell, rent, or otherwise provide your personally identifiable information to any third parties for marketing purposes. We will only share your personally identifiable with third parties to carry out your instructions and to provide specific services. For instance, we use a credit card processing company to bill users for purchases made on the Site. These third parties do not retain, share, or store any personally identifiable information except to provide these services and are bound by strict confidentiality agreements that limit their use of such information. eScience Info offers a "public profile" feature that allows users to publish portions of their Profile, including "name," but not "email address" to the public Internet. Users may opt-out of

this feature. However, we do not warrant how third-party search engines will update their cache.

We may provide aggregated data about Site usage to third-parties for such purposes as we deem appropriate, in our sole discretion. We may segment our users by role (i.e., particle physicist, research assistant), a field of science, geographic location, and company/university affiliation. If you would like to be excluded from the aggregated data we use to generate research or reports about our users' activities on the Site, please send a request to [info@escienceinfo.com](mailto:info@escienceinfo.com).

**Partnering with Other Companies to Offer Combined Services:** eScience Info may partner with other online services to offer you a variety of services. Whenever we offer such combined services, it will be your choice to make use of such services or not. In these cases, your personally identifiable information will only be passed from eScience Info to the partner if you choose to use the combined service.

**Communications Between Users:** Many emails you initiate through the Site (for example, an invitation sent to a non-user), will list your email address and name in the header of the message. Emails you initiate may also provide aggregate information about your network (for instance, how many people are in your network), but will never list the people to whom you're directly connected. Other communications that you initiate through the Site (for example, a request for contact), will list your name as the initiator but will not include your personal contact information. Your contact information will only be shared with another user if both of you have indicated that you would like to establish contact with each other.

If you use a bulletin board, a discussion forum ("Q & A forum") or blog on this Website, you should be aware that any personally identifiable information you submit there can be read, collected or used by other users of these forums, and could be used to send you unsolicited messages. We are not responsible for the personally identifiable information you choose to submit in these forums.

**Legal Disclaimer:** It is possible that we may need to disclose personal information in accordance with applicable laws. We will disclose such information wherein we have a

good-faith belief that it is necessary to comply with a court order, ongoing judicial proceeding, other legal process served on eScience Info or to exercise our legal rights or to defend against legal claims.

**Accessing and Changing Your Account Information:** You can review the personal information you provided us and make any desired changes to the information, or to the settings for your eScience Info account, at any time by logging in to your account on the Site and editing the information on your Profile page. You can also close your account through the Site. If you close your eScience Info account, we will remove your name and other personally identifiable information from our publicly viewable data. We may retain certain data contributed by you if it may be necessary to prevent fraud or future abuse, or for legitimate business purposes, such as analysis of aggregated, non-personally-identifiable data, account recovery, or if required by law. All retained data will continue to be subject to the terms of this Privacy Policy. To request that we close your account and remove your information from the Site, please send your request to [info@escienceinfo.com](mailto:info@escienceinfo.com). Please send your request using an email account that you have registered with eScience Info under your name. You will receive a response to requests sent to [info@escienceinfo.com](mailto:info@escienceinfo.com) within three business days after we receive your request.

**Security:** In order to secure your personal information, access to your data on the Site is password-protected.

**Changes to this Privacy Policy:** If we decide to change our Privacy Policy, we will post those changes to this Privacy Policy, the homepage and other places we deem appropriate so that you are aware of what information we collect, how we use it and under what circumstances, if any, we disclose it.

We reserve the right to modify this Privacy Policy at any time, so please review it frequently. If we make material changes to this policy, we will notify you here, by email or by means of a notice on our homepage.

**Questions or Comments:** If you have questions or comments about this privacy policy, please email us at [info@escienceinfo.com](mailto:info@escienceinfo.com) or write to eScience Info. 4860 Cox Road Suite #200 Glen Allen VA 23060.