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- Be respectful of those with whom you collaborate / have collaborated along the way, from discussing ideas, designing concepts and sampling, to analyzing and publishing, and involve them appropriately in your work.
- Please acknowledge the course prominently in your publications and presentations with the following text:
- *"We gratefully acknowledge the assistance of the instructors and students of the RGNO Discovery Camps http://www.microeco.ethz.ch/Courses_overview/RGNO/RGNO-announcement.html, as well as the scientific staff and the crew on the R/V Mirabilis who made access to the Benguela Current Ecosystem possible for us. The samples were collected by XXXX* during the Mirabilis cruise YYYY**. The Discovery Camps of the Regional Graduate Network for Oceanography (RGNO) are funded by the Agouron Institute, the Simons Foundation, the Scientific Committee for Oceanographic Research (SCOR), the Ministry of Fisheries and marine Resources (MFMR) through the National Marine Information and Research Center (Nat MIRC), the University of Namibia (UNAM), ETH Zurich and the swiss i-research & training institute."*

*XXXX identifies the person from RGNO who collected the samples; **YYYY identifies the R/V MIRABILIS cruise number.

Sample Handling Policies

- Our courses encourage you to share samples among research groups in order to obtain the maximum of scientific information from the collected material. We ask you to clearly identify the origin of any sample in publications, presentations and proposals. Please mention the RGNO course (occasion, event, institution, date and location) that made the collection possible.
- You must follow the rules in force by the countries of origin for samples collected in and transported out of the particular country. Some countries require export permits for any kind of biotic and abiotic samples. Importing countries might require an import authorization. You are responsible for clarifying the rules and ways to fulfill them, if you intend to collect, export and import sample material.
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