

## #CiteYourData: Action plan



**As an author,**  
cite and  
acknowledge your  
data.



**As an academic  
supervisor,**  
educate your  
students about this  
practice.



**As a reviewer,**  
make sure the  
articles you review  
cite and  
acknowledge all  
data.



**As an editor,**  
make data citation  
sections mandatory.



# HOW TO CITE & ACKNOWLEDGE ICOS DATA

## Why?

The high quality greenhouse gas data from Integrated Carbon Observation System - ICOS, can be accessed by anyone, free-of-charge, and from anywhere in the world.

Data citation, like the citation of other evidence and sources, is a good research practice and supports data reuse.

Citing and acknowledging ICOS data is a good way to show appreciation to the people throughout the network that make the data accessible and usable for all.

## How?

ICOS data must be cited in three places in your research paper: **data citations** and **references**. Any contribution from ICOS RI needs to be acknowledged in **acknowledgements**.

Data citations should be both understandable by humans and machine-readable. For this reason, ICOS has a referencing style that we strongly recommend for all data users.



Visit our website for more detailed instructions:  
[\*\*icos-ri.eu/how-to-cite\*\*](https://icos-ri.eu/how-to-cite)

## How you make an impact



### Support for ICOS stations

Proper data citations gives due credit to the data providers and supports the ongoing efforts to secure sustainable funding for ICOS stations.



### Promote data usability

Data citations promote data usability, enabling others to replicate and verify research results.



### Get more readers for your paper

When readers are able to locate your data, you can extend the reach, impact and longevity of your research paper.



### Make an impact together

The more you cite your data, the better ICOS can show the world that its data makes a difference.