

**Proposed Revisions to the
Tri-Agency Framework: Responsible Conduct of Research (2106)**

Feedback from Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre and Sunnybrook Research Institute

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Section	Feedback
2.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="293 590 1490 695">– although not a proposed revision, the wording of 2.2 (b) as written in the current framework is awkward and open to misinterpretation due to the use of a double negative; suggest rewording the following statement to ensure clarity: <li data-bbox="293 730 1490 873">– <i>“Applicants may only apply for funding if they are not currently ineligible to apply for, and/or hold, funds from NSERC, SSHRC, CIHR or any other research funding organization world-wide for reasons of breach of responsible conduct of research policies such as ethics, integrity or financial management policies”</i>
2.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="293 915 1490 982">– define/provide guidance on what is meant by “adequate” and “fair”
3.1.1 Data Destruction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="293 989 1490 1020">– some agencies mandate data destruction after a certain period <li data-bbox="293 1026 1490 1094">– ensure wording focuses on subterfuge/deceit and not mandated deletions over time
4.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="293 1100 1490 1163">– define/provide guidance on what is meant by “appropriate”, “adequate”, “fair” and “healthy”