

Data Access Plan

Blanco DECam Bulge Survey

The Blanco DECam Bulge Survey is a collaboration to use the DECam data acquired on the Southern Galactic bulge to do research on the bulge field and cluster populations. The Collaboration also includes future proposals to image the Northern Galactic bulge and Galactic plane.

This agreement will give each individual signing it access to the full calibrated dataset *ugrizY* as well as the reddening map developed by Iulia Simion. I apologize for the somewhat formal approach. This is done to make sure that we have a balance between team members who have large groups vs. those who have no resources, and to protect and to reward individuals who have made important “builder” level contributions to BDBS. Please send a signed, scanned copy of the agreement to Michael Rich, rmr@astro.ucla.edu.

Note that this agreement is far less restrictive than those required for APOGEE and SDSSV.
Thank you for understanding, and I look forward to great science from BDBS.

By signing below, you agree to the following:

1. The data will remain at your institution. If you move to a new institution and the data stays at your old institution, nothing changes. But if you wish to move the data to your new institution, you will need to sign a new agreement. An example: a graduate student moving institution can still have access to the data if it stays at their old institution. However, if the same student wants to start a new project, the student needs approval for that project.
2. You agree not to give the dataset to anyone else. Each person receiving access to the dataset must sign their own agreement – even if that individual is a student or postdoc employed by you.
3. You agree to post an abstract for each of your proposed project(s) on the BDBS team website, hosted at <http://vo.ari.uni-heidelberg.de/bdbs/> and agree to any limitations/ recommended collaborations that the Team proposes. Each posted proposal should be identified as PROPOSED or ADOPTED (team approved). If you find something interesting and want to start a new project, it must be announced and approved. Papers presented at meetings and talks should also be posted to the team website.
4. Understand that receiving the dataset *now* means that you are a team partner. This means that if the data become public in the future, you are still a team member. For example, if later on you have access to other datasets such as e.g. a large spectroscopic

survey, use of the BDBS data *now* still means that you collaborate with the team- even if other datasets are only available to you and are not yet public. This may pose some problems with future collaborations. You agree that your obligation to continue to honor team membership rules extends for one year after the BDBS data are public.

5. The following core team members must be offered coauthorship on every paper using the dataset: Christian Johnson, R. Michael Rich, Michael D. Young, Iulia T. Simion, William I. Clarkson, Catherine A. Pilachowski, Scott Michael, Andrea Kunder, A. K. Vivas, Andreas Koch
6. The following are also BDBS Collaborators- we encourage you to also consider including these people as coauthors/collaborators as well: Tommaso Marchetti, Rodrigo Ibata, Nicolas Martin, Annie C. Robin, Michelle Collins, Zeljko Ivezic, Roberto de Propriis, Juntai Shen, and Mario Soto.
7. Each publication will list the version number of the data used and the data of release and contain the following acknowledgement in addition to the NOAO and DECam acknowledgements "Data used in this paper comes from the Blanco DECam Bulge Survey Collaboration". Please make sure that you use the current acknowledgements for NOAO and DECam. Funding acknowledgements: For all papers, please also acknowledge the founding NSF grant AST-1413755. Each coauthor should take care to include the necessary acknowledgements.
8. If you are asked to give a talk or colloquium, or are proposing to contribute results at a meeting, please post this at the team website. For a period of 1 year beginning July 1, 2020, talks that represent the results from BDBS as a whole need to be approved by the executive committee. Such approval is not needed if you plan to speak just about your own team's work and not the group's work as a whole. Please post any talks that you give to the team site.
9. Order of authors will follow those rules originally set by the Galex collaboration: Participating authors are those who do important work for a paper, and should lead the paper in order of their contribution. People not in BDBS can be a participating author at any level, with the first author deciding order of authorship. We encourage you not to bring in more than 2 non-BDBS authors on any single paper. BDBS team authors are the BDBS team members (see 5, 6) who are offered authorship but may not have made major contributions to a particular paper; this group is listed in alphabetical order.
10. In the event of a disagreement, we will work to resolve this as a team, with the final decision being made by the BDBS committee, Christian Johnson, Michael Rich, and Caty Pilachowski

11. Team members agree to follow the AAS Code of Conduct. Interactions should always be constructive and respectful. Remember, nobody is going to win the Nobel Prize from this work.
12. The executive committee will review and respond to any violations of this agreement, or any disagreements within the collaboration. The executive committee's decision will be final.

Accepted

Name (printed)

Date

Signature _____