

## **“IRDiRC Recognized Resources” identifies resources for rare disease research communities**

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The International Rare Disease Research Consortium (IRDiRC) has renamed its quality label, formerly known as “IRDiRC Recommended”, to “IRDiRC Recognized Resources.”



The new name, “IRDiRC Recognized Resources”, better reflects the fact that these are valuable resources – be it a tool, a platform, guidelines or standards – to members of the rare disease community. Resources that have obtained this label underwent a peer-review process by members of the IRDiRC Scientific Committees. Members, often users of these resources themselves, expect “IRDiRC Recognized Resources” to potentially help accelerate the pace of discoveries and translation into clinical applications. We hope the rebranding will give greater clarity to this initiative.

The rebranding is accompanied by a new logo. All new and existing “IRDiRC Recognized Resources” should make the new logo visible on the resource, giving users an assurance of its relevance to and use by the rare disease community. The new logo will be shown on all “IRDiRC Recognized Resources.”

The initiative, originally launched in March 2015, has been given to thirteen resources to date, including three guidelines, four platforms and two reference databases. More information on “IRDiRC Recognized Resources” can be found on the IRDiRC website.