

2025 Australian Museum Eureka Prizes

Testimonial template – Eureka Prize for Excellence in Research Software

Delete the below instructions before submitting this document.

You have been invited to write a testimonial based on your use of a specific piece of software in your research. Please respond to the three statements on the following page to the best of your ability.

Note to entrant or nominator: if you are inviting someone who may require assistance to complete this template (due to their age, first language etc.), please contact eureka@australian.museum for additional guidance.

Instructions

1. Who must complete this template?

- *This template must be completed by a committed user of the software, and not an individual who has only observed its use.*
- *Software project contributors (i.e. those who have developed or maintained the software being entered) are not eligible to complete the testimonial.*

2. What information must be included?

- *Please write the testimonial based on your use of the software in your research by responding to the three statements on the following page, to the best of your ability.*
- *Your testimonial will help the judging panel better understand the software and its impact.*
- *The panel will have access to additional entry materials including an activity summary so please focus on your personal experience and knowledge of the software.*

3. Formatting guidelines

- *The testimonial can be a maximum of two typed pages.*
- *Do not adjust the margins or font size of this template.*

4. Submission guidelines

- *Insert a digitised copy of your physical signature. Do not type your name.*
- *Save the completed testimonial as a .pdf document.*
- *Return the document to the entrant.*

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Template

Dear Eureka Prize for Excellence in Research Software judging panel,

Description of my usage and general experiences with the software:

Description of if, or how, the same work could be done in the absence of this software. If applicable, list the alternative software that would need to be used and any limitations or benefits:

Description of how the software has had an impact on my ability to conduct research. Please reference methodological innovations, improvements in speed, volume, reliability or similar:

Name (of person providing the testimonial):

Position title:

Organisation name:

Contact email:

Date:

Signature:

Please insert a digitised copy of your physical signature. Do not type your name.

By adding your signature to this document, you confirm that the information provided in the testimonial is accurate and complete (to the best of your knowledge) and you are not aware of any additional information that would materially alter the assessment presented in this report.