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**Co-author statement in connection with submission of PhD thesis [Name of PhD student]**

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*(follows the Vancouver nomenclature)*

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| Analysis of data | CC | a |
| Interpretation of data | AA, CC, DD | b |
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*From http://blogs.nature.com/nautilus/2007/11/post\_12.html*

**Example 1:** All authors contributed equally to this work. A.C. and J.H.H. conducted the observations at the

telescope. A.C. reduced the data, and P.W.L. performed the Monte Carlo modelling. A.C. wrote the main

paper, and P.W.L. wrote the Supplementary Information. All authors discussed the results and implications

and commented on the manuscript at all stages.

**Example 2:** J.L., J.R.S. and J.W.L. conceived the Brainbow strategies. J.R.S. and J.W.L. supervised the

project. J.L. built initial constructs and validated them in vitro and in vivo. T.A.W. performed all cerebellar

axonal tracing and colour profile analysis with programs developed with J. Lu. H.K. performed all live

imaging experiments. R.W.D. generated Brainbow-1.0 lines expressing cytoplasmic XFPs, and R.A.B.

generated Brainbow-1.1 constructs and lines. J.L., T.A.W. and R.W.D. screened mouse lines.

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