



## Standard reference to SIM in publications

After gathering all the remarks and input that came forward based on the original proposal, it has been decided to implement the following concerning reference to SIM in publications:

- SIM should be referred to as a **second affiliation** of the author(s) if the following two conditions are met:
  - o the results that are being published are part of research carried out within a SIM program/project
- AND
- o for those authors that are being paid partly or fully by SIM.
- o So this does not apply to:
  - authors working “pro memorie” on a SIM project (ZAP staff or other) or only playing a minor role in a SIM project.
  - review articles.
- The text to be used for the affiliation is:  
**SIM vzw, Technologiepark 48, 9052 Zwijnaarde, Belgium**
- Next to this second affiliation, it should be clearly mentioned in the Acknowledgement section that the work has been performed by the research institute and financed by SIM (Program “NAME PROGRAM”).
- By using this method, the publications will become more easily traceable in databases in order to obtain a decent count of the SIM-related publications and citations as indeed, amount of A1 publications, amount of publications in proceedings and citations of these publications are KPIs of SIM.
- In so doing, SIM aligns itself with the new way of working that has been proposed by IMEC.

Below is an example of an article from the SIM program SoPPoM:

### “Cyanide-free etching of chalcopyrite and kesterite absorber layers”

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In this example:

- Nick is a KULeuven student who is being payed (partly) with SIM funding
- Marie also Works on SIM projects
- The other people are IMEC or KULeuven staff
- “Imec – partner in Solliance”= branding that has been agreed with Solliance partners for activities concerning thin film PV