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CRO intake scoping checklist

From the field note "The CRO delivered your assay data. Your scientists still cannot use it.".

The short version

- ◇ A received file and an accepted result are different stages. Design the workflow around the second.
- ◇ Keep identifiers, units, qualifiers and the delivery version with every value, so a reviewer can trace it without searching email.
- ◇ Treat a corrected delivery as a new review decision, never a silent overwrite.
- ◇ Check what your platforms already cover, then build only the handoff that remains.

The checklist

- ☐ Name one partner, assay family, destination and scientific reviewer.
- ☐ Check native onboarding and supported integration options first.
- ☐ Agree identifiers, units, qualifiers and repeat-result rules.
- ☐ Preserve source files, mappings and review versions.
- ☐ Define corrections, partial acceptance and publication recovery.
- ☐ Test duplicates, unknown samples and restricted access.
- ☐ Measure accepted work and name the operating owner.

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