

## **Animal Research Ethics Board (AREB)**

## ANIMAL OWNER CONSENT FORM TEMPLATE

In order to assist researchers in preparing their Consent Forms, and to assist the committee in evaluating them, we ask that researchers use the following template for wetlabs, workshops or courses. This template outlines the minimum information that must be included.

## **CONSENT FORM FOR ANIMAL OWNERS**

You have been invited to enter (<u>insert Animal's Name or other identifier</u>) in a wetlab/workshop/course entitled (<u>insert title of research project here</u>). Please read this form carefully, and feel free to ask questions you might have.

Course Instructor(s): Name(s), departmental and institutional affiliation(s), contact number(s).

**Purpose and Objective of the Wetlab/Workshop/Course:** State the purpose and major objectives of the training.

**Description of the Procedures:** Describe the procedures, and give an estimate of the length of time these procedures will take. If the research will take place in a location other than the one where the participant is reading or being read the Consent Form, indicate where the research will take place.

**Potential Risks and Discomforts:** Describe any risks that are associated with the procedures described above and any steps that will be taken to minimize those risks. Where possible, quantify the risks/discomforts in percentages so that animal owners can make an informed decision about the risk to their animal(s). If there are no known risks, say so.

**Voluntary Participation:** Your animal's participation is voluntary. You will not receive any monetary reward for you and your animal's participation.

Consent to Participate: Include the following statements: Please read and initial the following

I have read or have had the consent form read to me and I understand the consent form.

I have had an opportunity to ask questions and my/our questions have been answered.

I understand that I am entering my animal in this wetlab/workshop/course voluntarily.

I have been told that a signed and dated copy of this Consent Form will be given to me for my records.

I am at least 18 years of age and am the legal owner of the animal(s) or am authorized to make decisions regarding this(these) animal(s) on the owner's behalf.

Signature of Owner or Agent

Date

Date

Signature of Individual conducting the Consent Process