

MATERIALS TRANSFER AGREEMENT

Provider:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
Office of Research and Development (ORD)
Center for Computational Toxicology and Exposure (CCTE)

Recipient:

Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, as represented by the Minister of Health (HC)
Healthy Environments and Consumer Safety Branch (HECSB)
Environmental Health Science & Research Bureau (EHSRB)

1a. Provider agrees to transfer to Recipient's Investigator named below the following Research Material:

Chemicals and Materials

- A list identifying selected chemicals from the ToxCast chemical library that have been screened in thyroid-related high-throughput bioactivity screening assays.
- A copy of the current ToxCast chemical library, or subset, consisting of chemical samples prepared as solution in dimethyl sulfoxide at a concentration of 20 millimolar. Additional chemicals may be provided in the future concurrent with expansion of the ToxCast chemical library.

Data and Summary Information

- In vitro assay data derived from the ToxCast Program. This data is derived from chemicals analyzed using a variety of high throughput assay techniques. Below this is referred to as the "ToxCast Data".
- In vivo whole animal toxicology data summary data derived from the EPA Toxicology Reference Database (ToxRefDB). Below this is referred to as the "ToxRefDB Data".
- Summary descriptions of the individual data sets.

1b. The Recipient agrees to transfer to the EPA Investigator named below the following Research Results:

- All data or data summaries resulting from chemical screening performed on the ToxCast chemical library.
- Results of any data analyses that include use of provided ToxCast or ToxRef data.
- Relevant data on these chemicals from non-public sources.

1c. EPA CCTE will evaluate any *in vitro* and/or *in silico* generated data for inclusion in public releases of ToxCast in consultation with the Recipient.

1d. EPA CCTE may consult the Recipient as needed to analyze and interpret any data provided by the Recipient and coauthor any resultant publications.

2. This Research Material may not be used in human subjects. The Research Material will be used only for research purposes by Recipient's investigator in his/her laboratory, for the research project described below, under suitable containment conditions. This Research Material will not be used for screening, production or sale, for which a commercialization license may be required. Recipient agrees to comply with all relevant rules and regulations applicable to the Research Project and the handling of the Research Material.

EPA ONLY: If the data or material that are being transferred constitute human subjects research, please visit the following intranet site to determine if your project needs review and approval by the HSRRO: <http://intranet.ord.epa.gov/p2/hsr/human-subjects-review>.

There is no Human Subjects material being used in this research.

Research Plan reviewed and approval by HSRRO: Name _____
Date ___ / ___ / _____

3. If the data or material that are being transferred involve life sciences research or more specifically, any of the select agents or toxins listed, and/or the definitions provided in EPA Order 1000.19 *Policy and Procedures for Managing Dual Use Research of Concern*, then Principal Investigators should consult EPA's Institutional Contact for Dual Use Research of Concern (ICDUR) at DURC@epa.gov before completing the following section. If not, then check the first box below.

This research does not meet any of the definitions of Dual Use Research of Concern (DURC) and no additional review or oversight are required. The PI must report to the ICDUR any results or changes in the research that meet any of the definitions of DURC.

This research meets one or more definitions of DURC and requires additional oversight under the *USG Policy for Institutional Oversight of DURC*. The parties to this Agreement are required to comply with EPA Order 1000.19, *Policy and Procedures for Managing Dual Use Research of Concern*.

For information about DURC and EPA Order 1000.19, please visit:
<http://intranet.ord.epa.gov/homeland-security/dual-use-research-concern-durc-policies>.

4. This Research Material will be used by Recipient's investigator solely in connection with the following research project ("Research Project") described with specificity as follows:

Samples of ToxCast (ph1v2, ph2, and elk) chemical libraries would be used to evaluate the performance of a thyroid peroxidase assay using human enzyme harvested from an engineered cell line. The proposed assay is based on that used by Paul Friedman et al., *Toxicol Sci* 2016, 151:160-80 to screen ToxCast Libraries I and II with the distinction that the proposed assay uses a human enzyme as opposed to lab animal thyroid microsomes used by Paul Friedman and colleagues. Comparing results between these two assays derived from the same broad suite of substances will provide 1) robust evidence to assess the validity of an assay free of lab animal-derived material, 2) test if there are species differences in response across broad chemical space and 3) support the development of this protocol as an Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Test Guideline. Although not included in Paul Friedman et al., (2016), the elk library will also be included in these studies to generate TPO inhibition data for these chemicals. Data from this exercise will be shared with EPA and can be made publicly available once the work is published.

5. In all oral presentations or written publications concerning the Research Project, Recipient will acknowledge Provider's contribution of this Research Material unless requested otherwise. Recipient agrees to treat as confidential, any of Provider's written information about this Research Material that is stamped "CONFIDENTIAL" for a period of three (3) years from the date of its disclosure to recipient, except as permitted or required by law. The foregoing shall not apply to information that is or becomes publicly available or which is disclosed to Recipient without a confidentiality obligation. Any oral disclosures from Provider to Recipient, which Provider wishes to be treated as confidential shall be identified as being Confidential at the time of the disclosure and by written notice delivered to Recipient within thirty (30) days after the date of the oral disclosure. Recipient may publish or otherwise publicly disclose the results of the Research Project, but if Provider has given Confidential information to Recipient, such public disclosure may be made only after Provider has had thirty (30) days to review the proposed disclosure to determine if it includes any Confidential information, to the extent such review period is permitted by law.

6. This Research Material represents a significant investment on the part of Provider and is considered proprietary to Provider. Recipient's investigator therefore agrees to retain control over this Research Material and further agrees not to transfer the Research Material to other people not under his/her direct supervision without advance written approval of Provider. Provider reserves the right to distribute the Research Material to others and to use it for its own purposes. When the Research Project is completed, the Research Material will be returned to the Provider or disposed, if directed by Provider.

7. This Research Material is provided as a service to the research community. It is being supplied to Recipient with no warranties, express or implied, including any warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose.

8. Recipient shall retain title to any patent or other intellectual property rights in inventions made by its employees in the course of the Research Project. However, if said inventions contain any

portion of the Research Material, are derived from the Research Material, or could not have been produced but for the use of the Research Material, Recipient agrees to contact the Provider to determine what ownership interests, if any, the Provider may have, and, where applicable, to negotiate in good faith the terms of a commercial license. Inventorship for a patent application or a commercialized product based on said inventions shall be determined according to United States patent law.

9. When Provider is the EPA: Recipient agrees not to claim, infer, or imply endorsement by the Government of the United States of America (hereinafter referred to as "Government") of the Research Project, the institution or personnel conducting the Research Project, or any resulting product(s). Provider will not be liable to Recipient for any claims or damages arising from Recipient's use of the Research Material.

10. When Recipient is the EPA: Provider will not be liable to EPA for any claims or damages arising from EPA's use of the Research Material.

11. The Provider shall have the right to terminate this Agreement at any time if Recipient breaches any of the terms of this Agreement. Upon termination, Recipient shall return to the Provider all unused portions of the Research Materials.

12. Will EPA develop any products or services from information or materials provided by the Recipient?

Yes – go to item A

No – skip to #13 (next clause)

Item A: The EPA laboratory must coordinate on matters related to Quality Assurance with their QA Specialist.

If necessary, the Laboratory will develop/has developed a Quality Assurance Plan in coordination with the Quality Assurance Specialist.

No QA requirements are needed.

13. All notices pertaining to or required by this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be signed by an authorized representative and shall be delivered by hand (including private courier mail service) or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, with postage prepaid, addressed as follows.

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