**Rules and guidelines**

**Providing research animals to Kuwait University PIs (non-HSC staff)**

**The ARC will provide animals to research projects conducted by principal investigators (PIs) who are staff members at Kuwait University only and under the following conditions:**

1. **The project should be funded or approved by the College of Graduate Studies for postgraduate research (MSc or PhD).**
2. **The project should have a co-investigator from the HSC staff.**
3. **The HSC co-investigator should have a substantially significant contribution to the project.**
4. **All experiments using animals should be conducted in the HSC under the supervision of the co-investigator (HSC staff) who will be acting on behalf of the principal investigator in the daily project's activities.**
5. **The PI should provide a valid justification for the need to use the ARC facility/resources.**
6. **The PI and the Co-I should provide a detailed description of their roles with emphasis on their responsibilities towards experimental animal handling and welfare. The form "Consent from PI and Co-I" should be thoroughly filled and signed.**
7. **The ethical approval form should be used and the application will be subject to the same assessment criteria of ethical approval as for the HSC staff applications.**
8. **Priority for animal supply will be given to projects with HSC staff PIs in case of limited resources.**

**CONSENT FORM**

**Principal Investigator and Co-Investigator**

**Please provide a comprehensive justification/explanation for the following points. Your reply will be reviewed by the ethics committee.**

1. **Justification of use of the animal facility at the Health Sciences Center**
2. **Role of the principal investigator (PI) in the project and animal-based experiments**
3. **Contribution of the co-investigator (Co-I) to the project emphasizing the experiments involving the animals**
4. **Previous experience of the Co-I in animal-based research work**
5. **Working personnel assigned for the animal-based experiments (name, role, technical experience)**
6. **Certification of the working team (Certification of animal handling from ARC)**

**Consent**

1. **We (the PI and the Co-I) confirm our understanding and adherence to the international ethical standards of animal care and the accuracy of the information provided in this application.**
2. **We (the PI and the Co-I) confirm that the Co-I will act on behalf of the PI and is responsible for the daily research activities and the ethical obligations related to animal handling and use.**

**Name and signature of the PI: Click or tap here to enter text. Date: Click or tap here to enter text.**

**Name and signature of the Co-I:Click or tap here to enter text. Date:Click or tap here to enter text.**