Mouse Behavioral Phenotype Analysis Core (MBPAC)
Wadsworth Center Usage Agreement Form

Please sign at the bottom of the page to confirm that you have read and understand the MBPAC Usage Policies document and agree to the following rules of use:

1. It is the responsibility of the Investigator requesting service to make arrangements for payment of user fees prior to requesting training/certification and/or initiating behavioral testing. The PI must agree to pay fees for equipment usage, training and consultation. If funds from a DOH State Account (SP or LR) are being used for the service(s), the Investigator is responsible for securing appropriate administrative approval prior to submitting a Core Service Request form.

2. Any cage charges associated with mice during behavioral testing (e.g., home cage testing) are the responsibility of the PI.

3. No individual may use the DOH-owned behavioral equipment without training and/or certification by the core director.

4. Investigators are responsible for compliance with the appropriate regulatory standards. For example, you must secure necessary IACUC vertebrate animal studies approval before using the core equipment. All Wadsworth Center safety, IACUC, AALAC and vet sciences regulations must be met.

5. All users must be current Wadsworth Center employees or volunteers with ID badge and proper paperwork on file.

6. All users must have a Wadsworth Center computer account and must comply with all computer services support regulations when using the core.

7. Any person using the behavioral core at one site (ESP or DAI) may not enter animal rooms or any room in which mouse procedures are being performed at the other site for a period totaling 48 hrs. This time period is subject to change if a pathogen outbreak occurs in one of the facilities. Users who enter animal rooms or procedure rooms at other institutions may not enter the Mouse Behavioral Phenotype Analysis Core for 72 hours.

8. No infectious or biologically hazardous agents are to be used in core equipment without prior authorization from the attending veterinarian and the core director. If such approval is granted, the investigator may be required to apply additional cleaning procedures as necessary. The attending veterinarian and the core director must be informed of the duration of any such experiment. Prior to the start of any new experiment, the core director and attending veterinarian must be consulted for approval. Prior approval to use these agents for other experiments does not guarantee approval to perform new studies.

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Type Name: ____________________________________________________________

Signature: ___________________________ Date: __________________________

Comments: __________________________________________________________

Please return completed and signed form to: Valerie Bolivar, Director, Mouse Behavioral Phenotype Analysis Core (MBPAC), Room 5243, CMS, 150 New Scotland Ave, Albany, NY 12208