HREC Template Information Sheet for research study participants

Template in English

**INFORMATION SHEET FOR PARTICIPANTS IN RESEARCH STUDIES**

*You will be given a copy of this information sheet.*

Project Title:

This study has been approved by the EPFL Research Ethics Committee (HREC No.):

Name Principal Investigator:

Institution / Address:

Contact details:

We would like to invite ........................................................................... to participate in this research project.

**Details of the study:**

In this section, please include the following elements about your study:

- Aim of the study, research procedure/methods, partners involved, source of funding.
- Whom you are inviting to participate (inclusion/exclusion criteria).
- What is expected from the participants? Describe the experiment and further details (when, where, how long it will take, what the participants are expected to do).
- What are the possible risks/disadvantages (incl. minimal risks/disadvantages) for the participants, and how will they be minimized as much as possible?
- What are the potential benefits/advantages (if any) of participating in the study?
- Expenses (if travel costs are made) and compensation.

Please ask us if there is anything that is not clear or if you would like to receive more information.

It is up to you to decide whether you will take part or not; choosing not to take part will not disadvantage you in any way. As a participant you have the right to withdraw from the study at any time without giving a reason or facing negative consequences.

All data will be collected and stored safely and reported in an anonymous form, in accordance with the CH Federal law on data protection ("Loi fédérale sur la protection des données" – RS 235.1). Only the principal investigator has access to the original data under strict confidentiality.

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Any injury or damage due to the participation in the above-mentioned research project and for which the responsibility of the EPFL can be established, is covered by the general liability insurance of EPFL (insurance policy no. 501 402430.002 of La Mobilière Assurances), in accordance with the terms and conditions of the insurance.

To complement the above-mentioned insurance, it is your responsibility to have adequate health insurance and accident insurance coverage.

In case of doubt, just like in case of discomfort/undesirable effects related to your participation in this study, please contact the Principal Investigator directly.