



## PPMI Biospecimen Use Agreement

I request access to biospecimens collected by The Parkinson's Progression Markers Initiative (PPMI) for the purpose of scientific investigation and agree to the following terms:

1. I will receive de-identified biospecimens and will not attempt to establish the identity of, or attempt to contact any of the PPMI subjects.
2. I will not share or use these specimens beyond the uses outlined in this agreement and my proposal for access.
3. I will require anyone on my team who utilizes these biospecimens to comply with this Biospecimen Use Agreement by signing this agreement.
4. I will accurately provide the requested information for persons who will use these biospecimens and the analyses that are planned using these biospecimens.
5. I will respond promptly and accurately to annual requests to update this information.
6. I will comply with any rules and regulations imposed by my institution and its institutional review board in requesting these biospecimens.
7. I will comply with the PPMI Intellectual Property (IP) policy that states:
  - a. Rights to any non-PPMI IP ("Background IP") that a researcher uses in analyzing or manipulating PPMI data, information, biospecimens, materials or results ("Study Materials") may not be claimed by any other researcher or institution;
  - b. No researcher or institution may claim any IP rights to any Study Materials or inventions arising out of the Study Materials; and,
  - c. Researchers who publish or present analyses of Study Materials will make these freely available without charge to the research community through the PPMI website, when not prohibited by journal copyright terms and conditions.

If I publish abstracts on analyses of PPMI biospecimens, I agree to the following:

8. I will cite PPMI as the source of the biospecimens and the PPMI funding sources in the abstract as space allows.
9. Group authorship of PPMI will not be cited in the authorship line of the abstract.
10. I will upload abstracts onto the PPMI website for registered users to see either as they are accepted or after they are presented.
11. I will prepare 'lay' abstracts to be posted on the PPMI website of analyses that I am performing with PPMI biospecimens.

If I publish manuscripts using PPMI biospecimens, I agree to the following:

12. On the author line of the manuscript, after the named authors, I will include the phrase "and the Parkinson's Progression Markers Initiative\*" with an asterisk referring to the following statement and list of names:

\*Biospecimens used in the analyses presented in this article were obtained from the Parkinson's Progression Markers Initiative (PPMI) ([www.ppmi-info.org/specimens](http://www.ppmi-info.org/specimens)). As such, the investigators within PPMI contributed to the design and implementation of PPMI and/or provided data and collected biospecimens but did not participate in the analysis or writing of this report. PPMI investigators include (complete listing at PPMI site).





13. I will include language similar to the following in the methods section of my manuscripts in order to accurately acknowledge data gathering by the PPMI personnel. Depending upon the length and focus of the article, it may be appropriate to include more or less than the example below, however, inclusion of some variation of the language shown below is mandatory.

"Biospecimens analyzed for this article were obtained from the Parkinson's Progression Markers Initiative (PPMI) ([www.ppmi-info.org/specimens](http://www.ppmi-info.org/specimens)). For up-to-date information on the study, visit [www.ppmi-info.org](http://www.ppmi-info.org)."

14. I will acknowledge funding by PPMI in the support acknowledgement section of the manuscript using language similar to the following:

"PPMI – a public-private partnership – is funded by The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research and corporate sponsors, including GE Healthcare and Pfizer."

15. I will submit all manuscripts to the PPMI Data and Publications Committee (DPC) prior to submitting to a journal. This review will not be a scientific review, but is intended to ensure that items 7-12 above are correctly implemented. The DPC will maintain confidentiality of the manuscript and will complete its review within two weeks.

16. I will submit data generated from analyses of PPMI biospecimens to the DPC upon completion of my analyses. I understand that the DPC may choose to incorporate the raw data into the PPMI database.

17. I will ensure that Investigators who utilize PPMI biospecimens use appropriate administrative, physical and technical safeguards to prevent use of the biospecimens other than as provided for by this Agreement and outlined in the application protocol.

18. I will report any use or disclosure of the biospecimens not provided for by this Agreement of which I become aware within 15 days of becoming aware of such use or disclosure.

I understand that failure to abide by these guidelines will result in termination of my privileges to access PPMI data and/or biospecimens.

[Investigators will be asked to sign this agreement electronically at [www.ppmi-info.org/specimens](http://www.ppmi-info.org/specimens)]

