

Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine Biobank Declaration of Storage Content

I hereby declare that the content to be stored at the Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine Biobank does **NOT** contain the following:

- ☐ WHO Risk Group 3 and 4 microorganisms cultured in the laboratory (*see below definitions), e.g. Influenza virus strains such as H5N1 and H7N9, *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, Ebola, Marburg, Herpesvirus simiae etc.
- ☐ High titre stocks of Risk Group 2 microorganisms of known significant risk, e.g. *Burkholderia pseudomallei*, *Bordetella pertussis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Neisseria meningitides* etc.
- ☐ Clinical or environmental samples that have been confirmed to carry the above mentioned microorganisms.
- ☐ Radioactive materials

I agree that the above samples will **NOT** be introduced into the Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine Biobank in the future. To the best of my knowledge, all potential or known health or safety risks from the samples are listed below:

I affirm that all samples to be stored are collected according to proper ethical guidelines and comply with all legal policies.

Name: _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____

* Definitions of Risk Groups (please consult HKU Safety Office in case of uncertainty)

WHO Risk Group 1 (no or low individual and community risk).

A microorganism that is unlikely to cause human disease or animal disease

WHO Risk Group 2 (moderate individual risk, low community risk).

A pathogen that can cause human or animal disease but is unlikely to be a serious hazard to laboratory workers, the community, livestock or the environment. Laboratory exposures may cause serious infection, but effective treatment and preventative measures are available and the risk of spread of infection is limited.

WHO Risk Group 3 (high individual risk, low community risk).

A pathogen that usually causes serious human or animal disease but does not ordinarily spread from one infected individual to another. Effective treatment and preventive measures are available.

WHO Risk Group 4 (high individual and community risk).

A pathogen that usually causes serious human or animal disease and that can be readily transmitted from one individual to another, directly or indirectly. Effective treatment and preventive measures are not usually available.