

APPENDIX A: Chief Investigator Declaration

As Chief Investigator, I agree to abide by the following:

- ✓ The dignity, rights, safety and well-being of participants must be the primary consideration in any research study, in addition to reliable and accurate research data;
- ✓ I am familiar with my responsibilities as Chief Investigator under the [UK Policy Framework for Health and Social Care and should I vacate the role, will organise a suitable replacement and gain the necessary approvals for this change](#);
- ✓ I will undertake the project in accordance with the [UK Policy Framework for Health and Social Care, Good Clinical Practice \(GCP\) regulations](#), and, where applicable, the [Medicines for Human Use \(Clinical Trials\) Regulations and R&KEO SOPs](#);
- ✓ The project will not commence until approval has been received from the Sponsor, the appropriate Research Ethics Committee, Health Research Authority, the Host Organisation (and, for Clinical Trials, the [MHRA](#));
- ✓ Any amendments to the protocol or Trial design, including changes to start / end dates must be notified to the Sponsor, the appropriate Research Ethics Committee, Health Research Authority, and the Host Organisation;
- ✓ Each member of the research team is suitably qualified by education, training and experience to undertake the research;
- ✓ Each member of the research team will have access to adequate support, supervision and training;
- ✓ Any serious adverse events that occur during the research will be reported immediately to R&KEO. As PI I understand that I will be responsible for reporting such events to other appropriate bodies (Research Ethics Committees, Health Research Authority, Host Organisation, [MHRA](#)).
- ✓ Data will be processed and stored in accordance with the European [General Data Protection Regulation and the Data Protection Act 2018](#);
- ✓ An adequate project master file will be maintained and made available for audit inspection;
- ✓ Full, accurate and legible records will be maintained in accordance with GCP guidelines and will be made available for audit inspection;
- ✓ Any adverse events or reactions as identified through GCP guidelines will be reported within the required timelines and a full record kept in the project master file;
- ✓ Make every reasonable effort to ensure that a peer-reviewed publication results from the research;

Project Title:

Signed:

(Must be signed by the Chief Investigator or in the case of student projects, by the project supervisor)

Name: (PLEASE PRINT)

Date:/...../..... (dd/mm/yy)