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| **GUIDELINES** |
| **This form is to be used to propose ancillary projects that will take advantage of the data and biological material that may be available through the recruitment efforts of the GEM Project. These proposals can be focused on the entire cohort of healthy First Degree Relatives (FDR) of patients with Crohn’s disease, but not on the evolving nested cohort of those individuals developing Crohn’s disease.** **The intention of this RFP is to encourage submissions from members of the GEM Project Steering Committee that will take advantage of the information and material already collected from this large cohort of healthy FDR.** **All fields must be filled out in order for the application to be considered.** *Note: Text fields will expand as you add text. Double-click on check boxes to mark them.* **Absolute Deadlines**: For submission of Proposals GEM Project Steering Committee: All submissions will be pre-screened by the GEM Project Operating Committee to ensure that the requested samples/data will not interfere in any way with the intended GEM Project analysis of the nested cohort as per the original GEM Project Study Design. Those proposals meeting this evaluation will be distributed to all members of the GEM Project SC for review, and open discussion by the GPSC membership. Those projects achieving MAJORITY vote of approval at the GPSC will be informed that the GEM Project will provide a letter of support stating that the requested samples or data will be made available to them once they receive funding from a granting agency that applies a peer rveiw process to the proposal. The criteria to be used for review of all submissions will include the “scientific relevance” of the proposal and the judged availability of any biological material requested. Successful applicants are required to provide final versions of their funding proposals in order to ensure that the application is consistent with its initial approval. Upon receipt of this funding application, the GEM Project Steering Committee will provide a letter of support. All submissions will be asked to include funding for the GEM Project to cover any costs related to the provision of requested samples and data. Please submit a WORD doc of this application to Heather MacAulay at hmacaulay@lunenfeld.ca  |
| **GENERAL INFORMATION** |
|  | **Project #:** *(Will be Assigned)* |  |
| **Title of Project:** > |
| **Investigator(s) Names:** > | **Anticipated Start Date:** > |
| **Collaborator Name(s) (include area of expertise relelvant to project):** > |
| **Primary Contact:** >Address: Phone #: **E-mail :** > |
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| **PROJECT PROPOSAL** |
| *Briefly describe your proposed project, include type and numbers of samples required for adequate analysis. Proposals will be evaluated on 1) rationale for the study, 2) manner in which study expands upon current GEM Project activities in terms of scientific areas/questions and/or technologies, 3)* *how study acts as a pilot for future studies, 4) timeline for study (including expected completion of data acquisition, completion of data analysis) and plans for application for funding .*  |
| **Project Summary (max 1 page):**> |
| **Data Analysis (max 1 page) :** *Describe in detail how the resulting data will be analyzed and the hypothetical outcome, and analytic goals. Include the names of all individuals that will be involved in the analysis and their expected roles.*>  |
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| **budget** |
| **Allocation of Funds ( max 1 page):** *Describe the anticipated budget and explain plans for application for external funding. Include an estimate of costs to GEM Project National Office for sample handling and transport.*> |
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| **REQUIRED RESOURCES** |
| **GEM Project Data, Materials and Resources Requested:** *Please check all that apply. For each case, describe in specific detail the requested data or materials, and proposed use of these resources. Please provide the appropriate references if referring to published data or materials.*

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| **[ ]  Existing GEM Project Data** (specify data products e.g. demographics, environmental risk, food frequency questionnaire)**:**  |
| **[ ]  Existing Genotype Data:**  |
| **[ ]  New Genotyping:**  |
| **[ ]  DNA Samples:**  |
| **[ ]  Serum samples:**  |
| **[ ]  Urine Samples:**  |
| **[ ]  Stool Samples:**  |
| **Suggested New Biospecimen Collections:**  **[ ]  Peripheral Blood RNA: Number of Samples\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** **[ ]  Intestinal Samples: Number of Samples\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** **[ ]  Serum: Number of Samples\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **[ ]  Cells: Number of Samples\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** **[ ]  Other**  |
| **[ ]  Technologies to be Utilized:**  |
| **[ ]  Other:**  |
| **[ ]  Laboratory Performing Specific Assays/Experiments:**  |

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| **Data use and Sharing** |
| *Provide details of what data will be returned to the GEM Project DATABASE or what data or samples will not be provided. Detail any restrictions of use.* > |
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| **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** |
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| **CERTIFICATION (Must be signed by Member(s) of GEM Project SC who will serve as PI(s)****By submitting this proposal, the Primary Investigator agrees to report all results resulting from an approved project to the GEM Project Steering Committe, and acknowledges a clear understanding and acceptance of the GEM Project Publication and Intellectual Property policies.** PI 1: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_PI 2: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
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