

Affidavit

I, the undersigned, _____, I.D. No. _____, who is a _____ at the Faculty of _____, in the Department of _____, at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, hereby declare as follows:

1. This affidavit is signed in regards to the Research of: _____, (hereinafter referred to as the "**Research**") in which I am the Principal Investigator.
2. I hereby declare that I have read the Code of Ethics of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, the chapter of Ethics in Research, and the Intellectual Property, Inventions, Services, and the Prevention of Conflicts of Interest Procedure. I understand the obligations imposed on me, and I hereby undertake to act in accordance with these procedures in all that is connected and stems of the above Research funded by _____.
3. I have not been, am not, and hereby commit to refrain from being situated in a position of conflict of interest in all that is connected to the Research. "**Conflict of Interest**": Any personal or institutional interest, which has, may be, or is envisaged to be a consideration that may sway my independent and professional judgment within the Research, in a way it will distort the outcome of my research. "**Personal Interest**": Any matter in which I (or one related to me, as defined below) hold an interest (including financial, commercial or family issues), and that may constitute a consideration to prefer my personal interests or the personal interest of others over fulfilling my duties, independently and impartially, within the Research. "**Institutional Interest**": Serving in another position in a manner that allows me to promote my other position, or to bear in mind other considerations within the Research that may guide me within my other position.
4. I shall conduct the Research impartially, independently, and in a professional manner, without being effected by extraneous considerations according to the terms agreed upon.
5. Without derogating from the generality of the above, I hereby undertake that:
 - 5.1. I, nor any of my family members (spouse, parents, siblings, children, grandchildren and the spouses of all of the aforesaid – hereinafter referred to as "**Relatives**") nor any entity related to me, have no, and shall have no personal or institutional relationships with the entity that funds this Research. "**Related Entity**": any entity in which I or any of my Relatives are managers, or members, or employees, or in which any of us hold shares equal to or above 5% of its share capital, or hold any right to receive profits from, or any voting rights in, or for which I, my relatives, or any related corporation are entitled to appoint any managers thereof.
 - 5.2. To the best of my knowledge, the funding entity has no financial or other non-academic interest in the results of the research.

- 5.3. To the best of my knowledge, the funding entity has no rights to the publication of the results of the research, (including the date of publication of the results) – except to publicize the actual funding of the research – beyond that stated in the agreement. I and/or any of my Relatives have no and shall have no interest or gain any profit from delaying the publication of the research, from a partial or misleading publication, or from not publishing the results of the Research.
- 5.4. I, nor any of my Relatives or any Related Entity as aforementioned, do not and will not receive any personal or professional gain (beyond ordinary professional advancement) dependent on the results of this Research.
- 5.5. In no event shall I receive, directly or indirectly, from the entity that is funding the Research, any payment, gift, or benefit that may influence the results of the Research.
6. I hereby undertake, that in the event where there might be any possibility or concern of being placed in a position of conflict of interest (including a remote and/or indirect possibility), I shall promptly report such in writing to the Research Authority. I am aware that the Research Authority will report such a position to the Intellectual Property Committee, and I hereby undertake to act in accordance with the Committee's instructions. It is hereby clarified that, in any event, there is nothing in the aforementioned to authorize that the Research will be continued by me if I am found to be in a position of a conflict of interests, and in no event, shall the Research be conducted in a manner that is not independent and impartial.
7. This is my name, this is my signature, and all that is stated in this affidavit is true.

Date

Name + signature

Hereby attached:

A link to the Code of Ethics:

<http://in.bgu.ac.il/acadsec/DocLib/Pages/ethics/ecode.pdf>

A link to the Intellectual Property and Prevention of Personal Interest Procedure: <http://in.bgu.ac.il/osh/ResearchcharP/14007.pdf>