

OpenBiome Non-Clinical Research Request Form

This form is used to obtain a Fecal Microbiota Preparation Biospecimen (FMP-Bio) Pack or to propose a collaboration with OpenBiome on a non-clinical research study.

Instructions

1. Review the [OpenBiome Non-Clinical Research Collaboration Guide](#)
2. Complete the [Research Agreement Form](#) and submit to science@openbiome.org (if needed)*
3. Complete this form and submit to science@openbiome.org

All submissions will be reviewed quarterly by OpenBiome's Research Review Panel. Deadlines for each review cycle are on the first of the quarter: January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1. Submissions after the deadline will be reviewed in the following quarter.

If your Non-Clinical Research Request Form is approved, a member of OpenBiome's Clinical Research team will contact you to arrange contracting, payment, and shipping.

***Accepted [Research Agreement Form](#):**

Is your trial: (1) funded or sponsored by commercial entities or (2) investigating Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) or C. difficile Infection (CDI)?

We have a collaboration with Finch Therapeutics, who holds intellectual property on some of the material that we provide ([learn more here](#)). Due to the terms of our agreement, research that meets the above criteria will need to be reviewed by Finch prior to our engagement with you. We are happy to answer any questions you may have about this process – please do not hesitate to reach out to us at science@openbiome.org.

If your proposal meets either of the above criteria and you wish to proceed, please include an accepted Research Agreement Form in your submission package. This may be acquired by completing the Research Agreement Form and sending it to science@openbiome.org. OpenBiome staff will then facilitate a formal introduction to Finch reviewers. Once you have received the accepted form, please include it in your submission package. Please allow at least one month for Finch to perform their review process.

Investigator Information

Name(s):
Primary institutional affiliation:

Primary Contact Information

Name(s):
Primary institutional affiliation:
Email:
Phone:

Basic Study Information

We ask detailed questions about each research project to ensure that OpenBiome material is used for research that is legal, ethical, and viable. While it is not important to share every detail of your proposed plan, we ask for enough information to ensure that your research project is scientifically sound.

Title of research project:
All Institution(s) where the research will be carried out:
Background & significance of the research question:
Is this research in the field of diagnosing, treating, or preventing <i>C. difficile</i> infection (CDI) or inflammatory bowel disease (IBD)? (If yes, please submit an accepted Research Agreement Form to science@openbiome.org in addition to this Non-Clinical Research Request Form.) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Study Methodology

<p>Briefly explain the project's laboratory methodology, specifying how OpenBiome material will be used:</p>
<p>Will the research involve laboratory manipulation of OpenBiome material? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>Will all laboratory work involving OpenBiome material be conducted by adequately trained personnel wearing appropriate personal protective equipment in a biosafety cabinet in a facility rated Biosafety Level 2 or higher? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>Will OpenBiome material be used to treat animals or to perform research on animals, live or dead? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>Has any proposed animal research work been approved by an Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)?</p>
<p>Name of the IACUC:</p>
<p>Will all animal work involving OpenBiome material be conducted by adequately trained personnel wearing appropriate personal protective equipment in a facility rated Animal Biosafety Level 2 or higher? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>Is OpenBiome FMT material intended to be used to treat humans or to perform research on humans in any capacity? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>

Study Funding Sources

OpenBiome asks for information about applicants' funding sources to ensure that our collaborative research obligations do not preclude us from providing research materials for projects funded or sponsored by certain for-profit companies.

Please list all funding sources that will provide funding for the research in which the OpenBiome material will be used:

Are any funding sources from a for-profit company? *(If yes, please submit an accepted [Research Agreement Form](#) to science@openbiome.org in addition to this Non-Clinical Research Request Form.)*

Requested Material

Each FMP-Bio pack contain a customizable number of stool aliquots prepared in any combination of four different formulations listed below. For clarity, aliquots of the same formulation will be packaged together in one box with an insert describing the formulation. (A researcher whose order comprises four different types of formulations will receive four separate boxes).

The price is \$150 per FMP-Bio aliquot. For bulk orders we offer a discounted price of \$100 per aliquot for orders of 25 or more samples. There is also a \$150 shipment fee per order. (Multiple boxes may be sent in the same shipment; multiple shipment fees will not apply unless multiple shipments of material are requested.) Material will be delivered on dry ice via overnight courier with temperature verification.

FMP-BIO ORDER INFORMATION				
ITEM (FMP-Bio Formulation)		UNIT PRICE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Raw, flash-frozen donor stool (0.7grams/aliquot)		\$150 (\$100 if total number of samples is 25 or greater)		\$
Glycerol/Saline Buffer-Preserved Stool (0.1grams stool/1.5 milliliters buffer)		\$150 (\$100 if total number of samples is 25 or greater)		\$
Glycerol/Saline Buffer-Preserved Stool (0.4 grams stool/1.5 milliliters buffer)		\$150 (\$100 if total number of samples is 25 or greater)		\$
Glycerol/Saline Buffer-Preserved Stool (0.7 grams stool/1.5 milliliters buffer)		\$150 (\$100 if total number of samples is 25 or greater)		\$
		Total Number of Samples		
Standard Delivery	Flat Shipping & Handling fee per shipment, approximate 10:30AM delivery time. Delivered in 2-3 business days.	\$150	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$ 150
Sales tax will be applied to customers located in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts unless Form ST-12 is on file for the account			SUM TOTAL	\$

Note: Availability of FMP-Bio may vary depending on the number of samples and specific aliquot types requested.

Other information about your request:

-- End of Non-Clinical Research Request Form --
 Please submit completed forms to science@openbiome.org.

Thank you!