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1. By signing* below I certify that I have read and understand the following statements and further certify that the statements contained herein are accurate and truthful to the best of my knowledge and belief:
1. The information presented in this proposal is, to the best of my knowledge, true, complete, accurate, and developed according to practices commonly accepted within the scientific community.
 2. All applicable items contained in the Compliance Review section have been identified. Investigator agrees to abide by any obligations applicable under VCU policies or other legal requirements (e.g., obtaining protocol approvals, adhering to export control laws, maintaining confidentiality, etc.).
 3. Investigator has read and understands VCU's Conflict of Interest and Conflict of Interests in Research policies, has designated and informed all "COI Investigators," has reported required financial interests in the Activity and Interest Reporting System (AIRS), and prior to the expenditure of any awarded funds, if applicable, shall have reached an agreement with VCU for conditions or restrictions to reduce, manage or eliminate any conflicts of interest under University policy.
 4. The enclosed proposal is complete in technical content, adheres to norms of proper scholarship and responsible conduct of research, including proper citation and attribution for all text and graphics, complies with federal guidance on research integrity (e.g., see VCU policy on Responsible Conduct in Research and Scholarship), and is in accordance with all specifications from the sponsoring agency.
 5. The space/facilities and other VCU resources necessary to conduct the proposed project are currently available to the investigators and if not currently available, arrangements will be made with the Department/School/Division to make all necessary resources available in the event an award is made by the sponsor.
 6. If the proposal enclosed is funded and accepted by VCU, Investigator agrees to conduct the project in accordance with all terms and conditions stipulated by the sponsoring agency and all applicable VCU policies and procedures; furthermore, Investigator agrees to be fully responsible in meeting the requirements of the award, including but not limited to, proper and ethical stewardship of funds, timely submission of all required technical reports and deliverables, proper disclosure of all inventions to VCU's technology transfer office, Innovation Gateway, and also adhering to all federal compliance requirements (e.g., Export Control, HIPAA, IRB, IACUC, other Human Research protections, etc.).
 7. Investigator acknowledges that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties.
 8. By signing* below I hereby assign to Virginia Commonwealth University all rights, title, and interest in and to inventions that I conceive of or reduce to practice in the performance of this sponsored project.

I convey my acceptance of these certifications by means of my signature affixed below.

Printed PI Name

Date

Signature