Confidentiality Agreement (Annex A)

Name of Student

Student Number

School/Institute

Programme:

Name of Supervisor/s
(Please list all known)

Topic of Research:

During the course of your research project at the University, it is possible that you may contribute to the generation of intellectual property (in the form of, for example, patentable ideas, design rights, copyright, including copyright in computer code, know-how etc.) or receive information in confidence. The agreement below is to be signed where you need to keep such information confidential as set down in the University’s Policy Statement on Confidentiality and Intellectual Property (Including Inventions) and Results for Research Students: Policy on Ownership and Use which may be found on the University’s web page: https://www.ncl.ac.uk/media/wwwnclacuk/research/files/Confidentiality%20and%20IP.pdf.

Does the Research Project require the Research Student to sign the Confidentiality Agreement below?
(Please note that the Faculty of Medical Sciences requires all research students to sign the Confidentiality Agreement.)

Yes ☐ No ☐ Signature of Supervisor ________________________________

Does the Research Project require the Research Student to sign the Confidentiality Agreement below?
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Yes ☐ No ☐ Signature of Supervisor ________________________________

(If yes, the student read the text below and then sign where indicated below.)

Accordingly, I hereby agree to:

Keep secret any information which is given to me, and which is identified (either verbally, or by appropriate mark), as confidential to either the University, or to a research sponsor. (Should an external research sponsor ask me to personally sign a confidentiality agreement I shall first present the document for scrutiny by my Supervisor, or other officer of the University. If in doubt, I shall contact the University’s Research and Enterprise Services, Intellectual Property and Legal Services Team).

Seek comment from my Supervisor prior to making any publication relating to my Student Project and accept the decision of my Supervisor should I be requested to remove any of the content which may either breach an obligation of confidentiality to a third party or compromise the ability of the University to subsequently seek patent protection.

In the event of a disagreement between my Supervisor and myself over confidentiality as applies to a proposed publication, I agree to refer the matter to the Post Graduate Dean of my Faculty for resolution.

Student Signature ________________________________ Date ________________________________