

Queen's University General Research Ethics Board (GREB)**RE: GREB Initial Ethics Approval**

April 30, 2026

Dr. Archer
Faculty of Health Sciences\Medicine
Queen's University

TRAQ #: 6046351

Study Title: "Current State of Biomedical Core Facilities in Canada"

Co-Investigators: Mrs. Brooke Ring

Review Type: Delegated

Date of Full Board Meeting: N/A

Date Ethics Approval Issued: April 30, 2026

Date of Expiry of Ethics Approval: April 30, 2027

Dear Dr. Archer

Queen's University General Research Ethics Board (GREB), has reviewed this study and granted initial ethics approval for this study (as per the details described in this application form), as of the date noted above.

Documents Approved:

Document Name	Comments	Version Date
Response to GREB Review	Response to Reviews v3	2026/04/29
Survey	Leadership survey	2026/04/29
Survey	Non-user survey	2026/04/29
Survey	User survey	2026/04/29
Survey	Staff Survey	2026/04/29
Letter of Information/Consent Form (combined document)	Leadership LOI	2026/04/29
Letter of Information/Consent Form (combined document)	Non-user LOI	2026/04/29
Letter of Information/Consent Form (combined document)	User LOI	2026/04/29
Letter of Information/Consent Form (combined document)	Staff LOI	2026/04/29
Recruitment Letter/Email/Notice/Poster	Personal marketing drafts	2026/04/06
Recruitment Letter/Email/Notice/Poster	Marketing from CNSP	2026/04/06
Study design	Methods Procedure	2026/03/18
Study design	Survey themes and objectives	2026/03/18

Documents Acknowledged:

Document Name	Comments	Version Date
Other document	CNSP Executive Letter of Support	2026/03/29

No deviations from, or changes to, the protocol should be initiated without prior written approval from GREB, except when necessary to eliminate immediate hazard(s) to study participants.

On behalf of the GREB, I wish you success in your research.

Sincerely,

Shai Dubey, LL.B.

Chair, General Research Ethics Board (GREB)

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