# **IU Template statement in response to the** NIH POLICY ON SHARING OF MODEL ORGANISMS FOR BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

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## I. When an NIH application anticipates the development of model organisms

### A. If possible to share:

“As this project may result in the development of unique model organism research resources, and to make such resources available to the research community in a timely manner to further research, development, and application, Indiana University (IU) agrees to utilize its current material transfer agreement (MTA) capabilities through its office of Sponsored Research Services, and its intellectual property (IP) protection capabilities through the Indiana University Research & Technology Corporation (IURTC). IU can also share these resources through an appropriate license if more formal protection of its IP interests is required. Any reach-through requirements on transferred materials will be addressed within the terms and conditions of IU’s MTAs, which follow general U.S. Patent Law principles to govern potential inventorship rights, with ownership following inventorship, and also include general guidelines on good-faith discussions between IU and the recipient of the resources on handling potential subsequent commercial license situations when IU IP is involved. IU will encourage its investigators to reference any developed resources in its publications, presentations and on its internal web postings so that other researchers are aware that such resources are available.”

### B. If not possible to share:

“Although it is anticipated that this project will result in the development of unique model organism research resources, Indiana University’s ability to share such resources is restricted or not possible because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”

## II. When an NIH application does not anticipate the development of model organisms

“This work to be performed regarding this application does not anticipate the development of unique model organism research resources.”

**Go to the NIH web site on the Model Organism Sharing Policy for Policy, FAQ’s, sample plans, and a brochure:** [Model Organism Sharing Policy on the NIH Website](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/model_organism/index.htm)