

FACT SHEET/ TERMS AND CONDITIONS: Confocal Microscopy Services

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FEATURES

- The facility houses Leica SP8 Spectral Confocal laser scanning microscope
 - Excitation wavelengths: 405, 458, 476, 488, 496, 514, 561, 633 nm
 - Detectors
 - Three channels - two PMTs and a HyD
 - All spectral detectors
 - BF detector
- This service is available as a Venture Center staff facilitated service. The service can be availed by appointment taken after discussion meeting with Lab Manager.
- This service is being offered specifically to support cell studies with the larger purpose of promoting technology development and entrepreneurship.
- Venture Center only supports researchers with scientific data. Venture Center is not an accredited testing lab. Venture Center does not provide certificates. This data cannot be used for any certifications/ approvals. Venture Center does not offer to certify or confirm data in front of any agency or any court of law.

ELIGIBILITY

- The Confocal Microscopy service is open to all researchers and technology developers. However, priority shall be given to:
 - Proof-of-concept studies aiming to create the start-ups
 - Requests from incubatee companies (resident and AIP)
- At this time, Venture Center can only offer this service to a limited number of applicants. In this context, Venture Center retains the right to refuse applications without providing a reason.

TERMS & PRICING

- GENERAL CONDITIONS:
 - This service sheet only offers standardized experimental protocols. The terms and conditions are specifically for these standardized studies. All publications, posters and presentations by researchers using Confocal microscopy data from Venture Center are expected to acknowledge use of Venture Center facilities as follows in the acknowledgement section: "Confocal imaging was performed by _____ at the DBT-BIRAC supported Venture Center BioIncubator at CSIR-NCL, Pune, India"
 - Any studies involving intellectual inputs relating to design of experiments or new method development etc are treated different from the above mentioned standardized studies. Such collaborative efforts involving Venture Center staff have to be approved by the Venture Center management on a case-to-case basis. The terms of engagement shall be different in these cases. Typically, in these cases, Venture Center requires that all publications, posters and presentations by researchers using Confocal microscopy data generated with intellectual contributions from Venture Center staff be acknowledged through co-authorship.
 - Experiments can fail for various reasons. Venture Center shall not be liable for the loss of samples and time in this case.
- HOW TO APPLY?
 - Request a discussion meeting with the Lab Manager of Venture Center. Understand what can and cannot be done.
 - Fill and submit application form. Venture Center raises an invoice against this application form. Payments are expected in full in advance prior to start of service.

- **PAYMENT TERMS**
 - All services are offered against advance payment in full. Service tax and other taxes applicable at the prevailing rate shall in addition to the above.
 - Payment via a) Demand Draft, b) Cheque payable in Pune or at par or c) bank transfer are possible. All payments have to be made in the name of “**Entrepreneurship Development Center**”
 - Booking once made shall not be transferrable or payment made thereof shall be non-refundable. On the occasional case where Venture Center is unable to carry out the experiment due to equipment failure or absence of staff, Venture Center shall inform the applicant immediately and refund the payments made to it.
- **USAGE TERMS**
 - Service users shall not (intentionally or otherwise) do or say anything to suggest that Venture Center or CSIR-NCL has any connection to the samples being studied.
 - Venture Center shall maintain records of Confocal Microscopy Service for each applicant. These will be made available to the applicant prior to billing. User agrees that in case of any dispute, Venture Center’s assessment of the number of samples / number of hours and fees applicable will be considered final and the same shall be used for billing purposes.
 - Venture Center reserves the right to deny use of its services at its sole discretion, without providing any reason whatsoever. In case of scheduling conflicts, Venture Center will be the sole and final authority on the schedule and availability of the Confocal Microscopy Service.
- **PRICING**

Sr. No.	Service	Price (Rs.)
CMS01	Image acquisition (Samples ready to image)	Rs 3,000/- per hour
CMS02	Access to analysis computer	Rs 500/- per hour

DISCOUNTS

Venture Center’s standard discounts shall apply. See latest discounts at:
<http://www.venturecenter.co.in/discounts.php>

It is hereby declared that the undersigned has read and understood the terms and conditions of Venture Center’s Confocal Microscopy Services and accepts the same.

For and on Behalf of
(Name of the Company)

(Name of the authorized signatory)

Designation