**Introduction:**

The objective of this form is to submit to ethical evaluation, a small-scale preliminary study whose purpose is to determine: feasibility, duration, cost, adversities, improvements in experimental design and the number of animals to be used, prior to the development of a larger-scale research project. The relevance of evaluating research activities proposed as a pilot study will be determined by the Scientific Ethics Committee for the Care and Use of Animals (CEC-CAA).

SECTION 1. ADMINISTRATIVE BACKGROUND

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| **Pilot project title:** | *indicate the title of your pilot project.* |
| **Academic Responsible:** | *indicate name and surname* |
| **Researcher Responsible:** | *indicate name and surname* |
| **Code assigned by CEC:** |  *indicate the number provided by the CEC*  |

SECTION 2. PURPOSES AND JUSTIFICATION OF THE RESEARCH

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| **2.1. JUSTIFICATION.** *Justify the need to carry out this pilot project.* |
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| **2.2. HYPOTHESIS**  | … |
| **2.3. GENERAL OBJECTIVE**  | … |
| **2.4. SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES** | **Specific Objective** | **Is it done at the UC?, SI/NO\*** |
| 1. |  |
| 2. |  |
| *… add more rows if required* |  |

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| **2.5. DETAIL OF ANIMALS TO BE USED PER OBJECTIVE.** Indicate the number of animals to be used according to species,strain, weight, sex and stage of development. Check that it is consistent with the flow chart. |
| **Objective** | **Species and strain** | **Age / State of development** | **Weight** | **Sex** | **Number to be used** | **Conservation status of the species** | **SAG authorization/ Sernapesca/other** |
| **1** |  |  |  |  |  | ***Indicate: endangered /vulnerable/rare/N/A****If it does not correspond to a protected species, indicate “NOT APPLICABLE” (N/A) Generally this question applies to wild animals.* | *Indicate:Yes/No/ In process/N/A**Generally, this question applies to wild animals.* |
| **2** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *add more rows if required* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \*Total number to use = |  |
| Origin of animals= |  |
| Housing place of the animals during the development of the protocol= |  |

SECTION 3. EXPERIMENTAL

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| **3.1. METHODOLOGY.**  |
| *Detail the experimental and control groups, the procedures to which they will be subjected, the duration of these procedures, the response variables that you plan to quantify, analgesia (if applicable), monitoring (if applicable), and euthanasia (if applicable). Indicate the total number of animals, the species, and the strain (if applicable) to be used.***…** |

**SECTION 4. LIST OF PERSONS AUTHORIZED FOR THE HANDLING OF ANIMALS**

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| **Name:** |  |
| **Function and techniques to perform in this protocol:** |  |
| **Animal handling experience. Mark with X:** | [ ]  |  **YES** | [ ]  |  **NO** |
| **If you indicate "YES", mention who trained you and the years of experience in the functions and techniques to be performed in this protocol:** |  |
| **If you indicated “NO, mention who will train you in the functions and techniques to be performed in this protocol:** |  |

***\**** ***Copy and complete this chart for each member of the research team associated with this protocol who will handle animals.***

***\*\**** ***Attach AALAS certifications in ethics and animal handling or another equivalent.***