

**(AMERICAN SIMMENTAL ASSOCIATION  
COW HERD DNA ROUNDUP(CHR) PHASE TWO**

**Research Project Agreement  
Return this signed form with samples to ASA**

Your signature below indicates you have read and agree to the following:

- This is a research project and a definitive date is not known for results to be incorporated into EPDs or uploaded to Herdbook Services.
- These samples have been collected and **are included on at least 90% of the calving-age females in my herd.**
- Heifer calves and replacement heifers are no longer eligible for the CHR research rate as of January 1, 2021, but calving-age cows (at least 18 months of age) and new purchases of calving-age cows will remain eligible for the research rate.
- All samples enclosed are from females who are registered/reported into the ASA database.
- Each of these samples has been properly collected, stored in a cool/dry place, and the appropriate animal is identified on each sample card or linked to a specific tissue sampling unit (TSU).
- Responsibility for all billing associated with these sample submissions will be assumed by me and my ASA account will be invoiced when samples ship to the lab.
- Submission of an **electronic** inventory list with barcodes included is **required**. Cow weights, body condition scores, and hip heights are an optional part of participating and can either be entered into Herdbook Services or entered on a spreadsheet and emailed to ASA.
- In order for a cow to receive a credit for submitted mature cow data, she must be at least 18 months of age when measurements are taken.
- Parent verification is included on each sample if the parent(s) have DNA parentage markers on file with ASA and parent(s) are listed on the animal's pedigree in Herdbook Services.
- Additional trait testing such as coat color, horned/poled, or genetic conditions is available on these samples if requested.
- These samples are relinquished for this ASA genotyping project and will not be available to forward to other laboratories for future testing purposes.
- Samples will be shipped to the AMERICAN SIMMENTAL ASSOCIATION, ATTN: CHR, ONE GENETICS WAY, BOZEMAN, MT 59718 via **FedEx, UPS or USPS priority mail to supply a tracking number if needed** on the shipment.

Member # \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Representative Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Representative Signature \_\_\_\_\_