

SAINT LUCIA

**AGREEMENT FOR CONDUCTING RESEARCH
IN THE
WATERS OF ST LUCIA**

AGREEMENT MADE this **12th** Day of **November** 20 **01** between the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Saint Lucia (hereafter called "AUTHORISED OFFICER") and **John F. H. Purcell** (hereafter call "THE RESEARCHER").

AND WHEREAS by section 23 of the Fisheries Act No. 10 of 1984 and section 48 of the Fisheries Regulations No. 9 of 1994. The Authorised Officer can permit persons to conduct research within the fishery waters of Saint Lucia.

AND WHEREAS THE RESEARCHER has applied for permission to conduct research in the aforesaid waters.

The AUTHORISED OFFICER and THE RESEARCHER hereby mutually agree to the following conditions:

1. that THE RESEARCHER will only conduct research activities with respect to the project titled, "**Coral reef fish larval dispersal and recruitment to marine reserves: a population genetics approach**".
2. THE RESEARCHER is responsible for any expenses incurred during the research, and this includes fees charged by any Local Fisheries Management Authority for services rendered and any other fees charged by THE AUTHORISED OFFICER and detailed in the attached.
3. THE RESEARCHER will abide by the Fisheries Act # 10 of 1984 and Fisheries Regulations #9 of 1994, and any other amendments thereof.

4. THE RESEARCHER will comply with the rules and regulations of any established marine management areas or marine reserves in which he/she is conducting research.
5. THE RESEARCHER will comply with all other applicable laws, including all labour and social laws.
6. THE RESEARCHER will ensure that any research equipment and gear set in the marine or coastal environment is clearly labelled with tags authorised by THE AUTHORISED OFFICER.
7. THE RESEARCHER will work in collaboration with the fisheries officer(s) specified in the attached.
8. THE RESEARCHER will collect only the samples agreed on by THE AUTHORISED OFFICER and in accordance with any other specified conditions (refer to attached).
9. Without any prior notice or liability, THE AUTHORISED OFFICER may terminate the Agreement upon written notice to you. In the event of such notice, THE RESEARCHER will stop all research activities being carried out by him/her in the waters of St Lucia. This Notice of Termination will also apply to any research assistants working in conjunction with THE RESEARCHER.
10. THE RESEARCHER releases, discharges, waives and relinquishes any and all actions or causes of actions against THE AUTHORISED OFFICER and any Local Fisheries Management Authority for personal injury, property damage or wrongful death occurring to himself/herself and/or property thereof as a result of engaging in research activities in the waters of St Lucia.

11. THE RESEARCHER will carry out research activities within the timeframe stipulated by THE AUTHORISED OFFICER (refer to attached).
12. THE RESEARCHER must make himself/herself available during the course of the research to conduct short presentations (pertaining to the research) for the benefit of relevant marine/coastal resource stakeholders.
13. Upon completion of fieldwork, THE RESEARCHER will provide a written and oral summary, presenting preliminary findings of the research to the Chief Fisheries Officer.
14. THE RESEARCHER will provide a complete copy of the thesis/research paper/project, or the like, to the Chief Fisheries Officer within months after completion of the field work.

As witness our hands the day and year above written.

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Chief Fisheries Officer

Department of Fisheries

Minister, Ministry of Agriculture,

Forestry and Fisheries

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Signed by

(signature of Researcher)

In the presence of the Witness

Signature

Address

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