## **Ape Heart Project: Sample Submission Form**

*To be completed for all samples being donated to the* ***Ape Heart Project***

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| **General Information** | | |
| **Zoo/Institution:** |  | |
| **Contact Person:** |  | |
| **Institutional Animal ID** e.g. ARKS number, name: | | **Studbook Number:** |
| **Taxon:**  Gorilla  Chimpanzee  Orangutan  Bonobo | | **Subspecies:** |
| **Date of Birth** (or approx. age):  **Date of death** (if applicable): | | **Gender:**  Male  Female |
| **Circumstances of death** (if applicable)**:**  Sudden  Disease  Peri-anaesthesia  Euthanasia  Other: | | |
| **Brief summary of clinical history** (including any medications) – can be provided as an additional document if necessary: | | |
| **Other comments:** | | |

Please ensure ALL samples are clearly labelled with the animal’s identification, zoo of origin and date. All samples MUST be accompanied by a copy of this sample submission form.

Before sending samples, please refer to the document entitled “Important Information for Sending Samples to the Ape Heart Project”

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| **Samples being submitted:** | | | | |
| *Sample Type* | | *Quantity/Volume* | *Sampling date* | *Comments* |
| Formalin-fixed whole heart |  |  |  |  |
| Serum |  |  |  |  |
| Small section of heart tissue  in ethanol |  |  |  |  |
| EDTA blood |  |  |  |  |
| Other (please specify) |  |  |  |  |

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| **Post-Mortem Cardiac Examination (if applicable):** | |
| Body weight (kg): |  |
| Body condition score (1-5): |  |
| Weight of the heart (g) after  removal of clots/washing: |  |
| Appearance of lungs and pleural  cavity: |  |
| Appearance of pericardium: |  |
| Appearance and volume of pericardial fluid present: |  |
| Abnormalities of the great vessels? |  |
| Any evidence of thrombus within the pulmonary trunk? |  |
| Any lesions evident on  examination of the epicardium? |  |
| Any other significant findings? |  |
| Pictures sent: |  |