



MNA - ANTARCTIC GEOLOGICAL-MARINE SAMPLES - LOAN AGREEMENT

The *Museo Nazionale dell'Antartide* - Section of Trieste (MNA-Trieste) is acting in the name and on behalf of the Italian National Scientific Committee (*PNRA*) to manage the Antarctic geological-marine samples collected during the Italian Antarctic Expeditions. The person who is requesting an Antarctic geological-marine sample and who is signing the Sample Request Form will be hereafter referred as the Beneficiary. By signing the MNA Sample Request Form, the Beneficiary undertakes to respect the following clauses.

- 1 The MNA-Trieste agrees to lend the sample to the Beneficiary for a limited time and to authorise it to use the sample for its exclusive internal research use purposes, such as described in the Sample Request Form hereinafter. All other use, including that for commercial purposes and even free of charge, is excluded. This loan is personal, unassignable and non-transferable.
- 2 The Beneficiary agrees, in particular, not to transfer or provide the sample to third parties and guarantees the MNA-Trieste that its colleagues and any other person associated with the Beneficiary shall respect the obligations of the present article.
- 3 No rights are granted to the Beneficiary or implied by the present agreement to sell, rent or transfer the sample to third parties.
- 4 The Beneficiary agrees to return the sample within the fixed time. If the analyses lead the destruction of the sample, this must be mentioned before; no return will be asked in this case.
- 5 Notwithstanding the article 4 hereinbefore, the Beneficiary has the possibility to obtain an extension of the loan by justified written request to the MNA-Trieste (**museoantartide@units.it**).
- 6 Unless there is a case of Force Majeure, if Beneficiary has not returned sample in the fixed time set by the agreement after receiving a registered letter or an email with acknowledgment of receipt enjoining the Beneficiary to return the sample, the MNA-Trieste will no longer lend any sample to the Beneficiary. In the case of non return of the sample, compensation fees will be asked.
- 7 The present loan of the sample is free of charge. However, the Beneficiary agrees to pay all costs for the return of the sample, and the transfer of results pursuant to article 8 of the present agreement.
- 8 The Beneficiary agrees to provide the MNA-Trieste with a written report of the results obtained within 6 (six) months after the fixed time. The MNA-Trieste will keep the results secret until the date of their publication. The Beneficiary agrees to acknowledge the PNRA and MNA-Trieste for the loan of the sample in any publications. The Beneficiary agrees to send a copy of any publication in which data obtained from the loaned sample is used. Written reports of the results and copy of the publications must be sent to the MNA-Trieste (**museoantartide@units.it**).
- 9 The MNA-Trieste only guarantees the existence of the sample. In particular, the MNA-Trieste does not guarantee the purity, contents, activity or conformity for a specific use of the sample.



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MNA - ANTARCTIC GEOLOGICAL-MARINE SAMPLE REQUEST FORM INSTRUCTIONS

Please address your application to the MNA-Trieste (museoantartide@units.it) and, in case this study is not part of an approved PNRA project, to the Italian National Scientific Committee (segreteria@csna.it).

Explanation

Name of requester: person responsible for the samples. If the requester is a student, he/she should obtain the signature of his/her advisor, which will become responsible for the secure handling of the samples.

Title of research: 1 line as maximum.

Description of the project: 20 lines as maximum. If this study is part of an approved PNRA project, please indicate the project code and the principal investigator.

Analytical methodology, effects on samples and collaborators/laboratories: indicate the instrumental methods to be used, if they are destructive, partially destructive or altering the samples, and the involved collaborators/ laboratories.

Geological-marine sample labels: the list of Antarctic geological-marine material house at the MNA-Trieste is available at the following web site:

<http://www.mna.it/collezioni/antarctic-marine-sediments-trieste-section>

Remarks and notes: include any other useful information.

Acknowledgment:

Please remember to acknowledge the Sorting Center - Trieste Section of the Museo Nazionale dell'Antartide in all publications that result from the data collected from materials stored at the Sorting Center.

A standard acknowledgement is given below: This research used samples provided by the Sorting Center - Trieste Section of the Museo Nazionale dell'Antartide. The MNA is sponsored by the Italian PNRA and MIUR.



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Name: _____

Professional title: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

Telephone number: _____

Email: _____

Date of request: _____

Signature: _____

Title of research: _____

Description of the project:

