

**2023 Graduate Student Oath**  
**Department of Microbiology and Immunology**  
**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**

“I, [NAME], have entered the serious pursuit of new knowledge as a member of the community of scientists in the Department of Microbiology & Immunology at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. As I embark on my Ph.D. training, I willingly pledge the following:

As a member of the Department of Microbiology & Immunology at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, I pledge to uphold and practice scientific integrity and ethics.

Throughout my Ph.D. training, I will conduct research that benefits humanity and adheres to the highest principles of logic, intellectual rigor, and truth.

I will strive to be a responsible steward of resources, increase public understanding of science, and promote inclusivity and diversity in my research and professional life.

Finally, I will honor the contributions of those who came before me and serve as a role model for future scientists.

By taking this oath, I commit to these professional standards and goals."

*Written and unanimously approved by the 2nd year class, 5/24/23.*