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Office of Research Administration

What is Institutional Biosafety at Missouri State University?

The Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC):

- Reviews proposed research involving recombinant DNA techniques and other biohazards (i.e., infectious or venomous agents);
- Consults with researchers on biosafety procedures;
- Trains faculty, staff, and students involved in biohazardous research to obtain compliance with appropriate rules;
- Maintains liaison with biosafety personnel at state and federal agencies, industries, and other universities;



Missouri State University Environmental Management website seeks to present detailed information on standard operating procedures in dealing with hazardous materials. The first website links to the [Operating Procedures](#) section - linking to bio-waste, hazardous waste, hazardous materials, water pollution, spill response and more.

If you have any questions, please reach out to the office of research administration.

Missouri State Researchers May Need IBC Approval If Their Research Involves:

- In vitro construction and/or propagation of recombinant DNA molecules
- Formation of RDNA containing genes for the biosynthesis of toxic molecules
- Deliberate release into environment of any organism containing RDNA
- Deliberate transfer of a drug-resistance trait in microorganisms not known to acquire it naturally
- Cultivation or release of a pest of plants
- Transformation of whole plants
- Experiments with organisms of demonstrated human or animal pathogenicity
- Infection of animals
- Experiments on cancer-causing animal viruses
- Studies involving the laboratory culture of human or other primate tissues or cells
- Cultivation or release of non-indigenous species of plants or animals
- Experiments containing any human blood, blood components, or any body fluids (saliva, feces, spinal fluid, other potentially infectious materials, etc.)
- Biosafety level 2 or above organisms

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