

## Instructions for Biosafety Application

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Wright State University  
Dayton, OH 45435  
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Please use the attached application for requesting a review and approval of activities involving biohazardous agents by the Wright State University Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC). This application should be used for all activities including research, teaching, and testing. The IBC requests the information in accordance with its charge. This information is required by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's Occupational Exposure to Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories Standard, its Blood-Borne Pathogen Standard and/or the NIH Guidelines for Research Involving Recombinant DNA (rDNA) Molecules.

The application rules and procedures are as follows:

- Use the "Save As" function to save document.
- Please be thorough and complete all sections - please type.
  - Incomplete applications will be returned without review.
  - Hand written applications will be returned without review.
- If you need more space, attach additional sheets.
- Obtain necessary signatures.
- Allow the Biosafety Officer at least one week prior to the submission deadline for review of application.
- Submission deadlines will be strictly enforced. For a complete listing of these dates, please refer to the Office of Research and Innovation's website at [Biosafety Meeting and Deadline Dates](#) or contact the IBC Compliance Coordinator as listed below.

Submit completed application to:

IBC Compliance Coordinator  
Office of Research and Innovation  
376 University Hall  
Wright State University  
Dayton, OH 45435  
937-775-2425/3781 (voice/fax)  
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For additional information or assistance in completing this form, please contact the Department of Environmental Health and Safety at 937-775-2215/3761 (voice/fax).

**Note: The information provided may become publicly available under Ohio's Open Records Act.**



# Biosafety Application

Wright State University  
Research and Sponsored Programs

<b>For RSP use only:</b> <b>Biosafety Protocol No.:</b> _____ <b>Date Received:</b> _____
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This application contains proprietary/confidential information (Please attach a justification statement and any relevant documentation).

Project Title (*limit 81 characters, including spaces and punctuation*):

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## Principal Investigator Section

PI Name/Title:	
Department:	
Phone:	Email:
<u>Statement of Responsibility:</u> I accept responsibility for the safe conduct of work with the agents described in this application. The information in this application is accurate and complete.	
<hr/> (Signature of Principal Investigator)	

## Laboratory Personnel Section (use additional sheet if necessary)

The undersigned individual(s) are involved in this project and have read this application.

1. Name:	Role:	Email:
Lab Chem Safety:	Biosafety training:	
Signature:	Haz Com:	BBP:
2. Name:	Role:	Email:
Lab Chemical Safety:	Biosafety training:	
Signature:	Haz Com:	BBP:
3. Name:	Role:	Email:
Lab Chemical Safety:	Biosafety training:	
Signature:	Haz Com:	BBP:
4. Name:	Role:	Email:
Lab Chemical Safety:	Biosafety training:	
Signature:	Haz Com:	BBP:
5. Name:	Role:	Email:
Lab Chemical Safety:	Biosafety training:	
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Lab Chemical Safety:	Biosafety training:	
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Lab Chemical Safety:	Biosafety training:	
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12. Name:	Role:	Email:
Lab Chemical Safety:	Biosafety training:	
Signature:	Haz Com:	BBP:

13. Name:	Role:	Email:
Lab Chemical Safety:	Biosafety training:	
Signature:	Haz Com:	BBP:

14. Name:	Role:	Email:
Lab Chemical Safety:	Biosafety training:	
Signature:	Haz Com:	BBP:

**Biosafety Officer Section**

<p>I have reviewed this application and found it be suitable for IBC review:</p>  <hr/> <p>(Signature of Biosafety Officer)</p>
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PI Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Project Location(s) (Room/Bldg): \_\_\_\_\_

2. Animal Use? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No AUP# _____ Date: _____	3. Human Subjects? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No HSP/SC# _____ Date: _____
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4. Select Agent Use?  Yes  No  
If Yes, STOP here and contact the Institutional Biosafety Officer.

5. Which of the following biological agents will be used? (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Recombinant DNA (rDNA)	<input type="checkbox"/> Nonrecombinant DNA/RNA or Prions
<input type="checkbox"/> Biological Toxins	<input type="checkbox"/> Tissue or Cell Culture
<input type="checkbox"/> Human or Non-Human Primate Tissue	<input type="checkbox"/> Microorganisms

6. What level of biocontainment will be used?

<input type="checkbox"/> BSL-1	<input type="checkbox"/> BSL-2	<input type="checkbox"/> BSL-2+	<input type="checkbox"/> BSL-3
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7. Recombinant DNA Section (Not Applicable , next section):

a. Are your activities exempt?  Yes  No  
Refer to: [http://osp.od.nih.gov/wp-content/uploads/NIH\\_Guidelines.pdf](http://osp.od.nih.gov/wp-content/uploads/NIH_Guidelines.pdf) (note exceptions) If Yes, list exemption category: \_\_\_\_\_  
If category is III-F-6, list system: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Will you express any drug or immunological resistance genes?  Yes  No  
If Yes, list: \_\_\_\_\_

c. Will you express any oncogenic or pathogenic genes?  Yes  No  
If Yes, list: \_\_\_\_\_

d. Will you express any toxins?  Yes  No  
If Yes, list: \_\_\_\_\_

e. Will you express any microorganisms or prions?  Yes  No  
If Yes, list: \_\_\_\_\_

f. Please select the NIH category for your rDNA experiments.  
Refer to: [http://osp.od.nih.gov/wp-content/uploads/NIH\\_Guidelines.pdf](http://osp.od.nih.gov/wp-content/uploads/NIH_Guidelines.pdf) for complete details. The descriptions in parentheses are provided only as a guide.

<input type="checkbox"/> Section III-A (Transfer of drug resistance genes into microorganisms that are not known to acquire the trait naturally)
<input type="checkbox"/> Section III-B (Cloning of toxins with LD <sub>50</sub> < 100 ng/kg body weight)
<input type="checkbox"/> Section III-C (Transfer of rDNA, DNA, or RNA derived from rDNA into human subjects)
<input type="checkbox"/> Section III-D (rDNA from Risk Group 2, 3, 4, or restricted agents as vector systems; Infectious or defective DNA or RNA viruses; Whole animals and plants; Large volumes)
<input type="checkbox"/> Section III-E (rDNA involving < 2/3 of the genome of any eukaryotic virus in the absence of helper virus or plasmids; Whole plants; Transgenic rodents)

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7. Recombinant DNA Section (continued):

g. Complete table below using one column per construct (deletion or mutation series of a gene may be listed in one column; use additional sheet if necessary).

	Construct 1	Construct 2	Construct 3	Construct 4	Construct 5	Example
<b>Name and Provider of Gene</b>						Example: green fluorescent protein from Clontech
<b>Gene Function</b>						Example: marker
<b>Vector Name</b>						Example: pKH-WSU24
<b>Vector Type / Species and Strain</b>						Example: Viral / Adenovirus serotype 5
<b>Expression control elements (promoters, enhancers, etc)</b>						Example: CMV promoter
<b>Conc/titer of rDNA (i.p./ml)</b>						Example: 1 X 10 <sup>8</sup> to 1 X10 <sup>12</sup> infectious particles/ml
<b>Host and Strain, if applicable</b>						Example: E. coli, Sure™, Mouse heart cells, in vivo
<b>Largest Production Volume of Host</b>						Example: 1 liter
<b>Host Range (including any genetic alterations to host range)</b>						Example: amphotropic, broad mammalian host range
<b>Is recombinant made in your lab? If not, where?</b>						Example: Vanderbilt Univ. Gene Therapy Center
<b>If vector is a genome, what % has been deleted or substituted?</b>						Example: 10%

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8. Nonrecombinant or Synthetic DNA/RNA; Prions Section (Not Applicable , next section)

a. Are you handling DNA or RNA from pathogenic microorganisms?  Yes  No

If Yes, list: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Are you handling oncogenic DNA sequences?  Yes  No

If Yes, list: \_\_\_\_\_

c. Are you handling DNA containing drug resistance genes?  Yes  No

If Yes, list: \_\_\_\_\_

d. Are you working with any prions?  Yes  No

If Yes, complete the following table (use additional sheet if necessary):

Name of Prion	Pathogenic PrP Isoform	Disease	Natural Host

e. If Yes to ques. 8a-d, please list the provider(s) of the agents:

f. If Yes to ques. 8a-d, please explain what safety steps you will take to avoid percutaneous and mucous membrane exposure of laboratory personnel and contamination of the environment

g. If Yes to ques. 8a-d, what types of sharps will be used and how will they be disposed of?

9. Toxins Section (Not Applicable , next section):

a. Are you handling toxins of biological origin?  Yes  No

If Yes, list the name and provider of toxin(s):  
\_\_\_\_\_

b. In what form is the toxin(s) received? \_\_\_\_\_

c. Will you reconstitute the toxin(s)?  Yes  No

If Yes, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

d. What is the highest concentration with which you will work or possess?  
\_\_\_\_\_

e. What is the LD<sub>50</sub> expressed in ng per kg body weight?  
\_\_\_\_\_

f. Do you agree to comply with Appendix I of BMBL, which includes maintaining an inventory system, secure storage, and proper use of primary and secondary containment?

See: <https://www.cdc.gov/labs/BMBL.html> Yes  No

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10. Tissue and Cell Culture Section (Not Applicable , next section):

Tissues/Cells	Provider	Catalog Number	Type	Infectious Agents? (List)	BSL

Use additional sheet, if necessary

11. Human or Non-human Primate Tissue Section (Not Applicable , next section):

a. Are you handling human or nonhuman primate tissue or fluids?  Yes  No

If Yes, list (include species):

b. What is the source and provider of the tissue(s)?

c. Are the tissues known or suspected to be infected?  Yes  No

If Yes, describe:

d. Has your staff taken the blood borne pathogen program?  Yes  No

If Yes, list names and dates:

12. Microorganism Section (Not Applicable , next section):

a. Which category of microorganism is being used? (check all that apply)

Bacteria

Fungi

Protozoa

Archaea

Unicellular Algae

Parasitic Worms

Virus

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12. Microorganism Section (Continued):

- b. List each agent and its risk group, biosafety level, and provider (use additional sheet if necessary). Refer to <https://my.absa.org/Riskgroups> for details.

Agent (genus, species, strain)	Risk Group	BSL	Provider

- c. Are you producing or receiving vector virus?  Yes  No  
If yes, please describe any safety features that prevent the generation of recombinant virus and methods of safety testing that have been performed or will be conducted:

13. Safety Equipment Section

Biological Safety Cabinet(s)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Cabinet #1 Type: _____ Location: _____ Certification Date: _____	Sterilizer Available? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Type: _____ Location(s): _____
Cabinet #2 Type: _____ Location: _____ Certification Date: _____	Hand washing sink available? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Location(s): _____
Cabinet #3 Type: _____ Location: _____ Certification Date: _____	Personal Protective Equipment Used (list):



14. Safety Procedures Section

a. Will you work with biohazardous agents in any of the following aerosol-producing devices or procedures?  Yes  No (check all that apply)

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aspirators                | <input type="checkbox"/> Intranasal Inoculation       | <input type="checkbox"/> Pressurized Vessels |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blenders                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Large Volumes ( $\geq 10L$ ) | <input type="checkbox"/> Shakers             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Centrifuges               | <input type="checkbox"/> Necropsy                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Sonicators          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Homogenizers              | <input type="checkbox"/> Pipetting Infectious Liquids | <input type="checkbox"/> Vortexers           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please list: _____ |   |  |

If Yes to any of the above, describe how you will contain the aerosol: \_\_\_\_\_

If using sonicator, how will you provide hearing protection to all workers in the area? \_\_\_\_\_

b. Do you concentrate the biohazardous agents?  Yes  No (check all that apply)

- |  |                                     |  |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Centrifugation            | <input type="checkbox"/> Filtration | <input type="checkbox"/> Precipitation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please list: _____ |                                     |  |

If Yes, which agent is being concentrated? \_\_\_\_\_

c. Are you using a vacuum supply with the biohazardous agents?  Yes  No

If Yes, which agent is being used? \_\_\_\_\_

If Yes, select method for protecting the vacuum source: \_\_\_\_\_

d. At any time during the procedures, will biohazardous agents be moved from a higher safety level to a lower one?  Yes  No

If Yes, provide a justification and describe method of inactivation for this step: \_\_\_\_\_

e. How do you generally inactivate the biohazardous agents described in this application? \_\_\_\_\_

f. How do you disinfect surfaces in the laboratory? \_\_\_\_\_

15. Waste Generation Section

a. Are you generating biological waste?  Yes  No

Refer to [EHS Exposure Control Plan](#) for definitions.

If Yes, specify type: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Are you generating mixed waste?  Yes  No (check all that apply)

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biological and Chemical Hazard                | <input type="checkbox"/> Biological and Radiological Hazard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biological, Chemical, and Radiological Hazard |   |

c. Have you notified the Department of Environmental Health and Safety?  Yes  No

16. Transport and Transfer Section

a. Will you transport or transfer biohazardous agents?  Yes  No

[*Transport* refers to packaging and shipping these agents by air, land, or sea via airplanes, motor vehicles, boats, or other means. *Transfer* refers to exchanging these agents between laboratories, generally between rooms or buildings within a facility or institute.]

If Yes, describe agents and method of transport or transfer:

\_\_\_\_\_

b. If transporting agents in my personal vehicle, I accept responsibility for the personal liability I may incur in the event of an accident.  Yes  No  N/A

c. The transport and transfer of biological agents is governed by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the Federal Government. Do you agree to comply with the CDC and Federal regulations? Yes  No  N/A

Refer to [BLBM Appendix C](#)

Refer to <https://hazmat.dot.gov/> for Federal Hazardous Materials Transportation Law.

Refer to "[Transporting Infectious Substances Safely](#)" document.

17. Assurances Section. Please answer Yes or No.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If required, Material Transfer Agreements (MTAs) will be secured for the above described biohazardous agents transferred to or from Wright State University. MTAs are administered through the Office of Technology Transfer and Development.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	The Principal Investigator is trained for the proposed studies.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	All personnel will receive the appropriate training in regard to safety practices and protective equipment for this work.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Written experimental procedures will be maintained in the laboratory.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Laboratory procedures will be in compliance with the <i>University Chemical Hygiene Plan</i> , the <i>Institutional Biosafety Manual</i> , the OSHA Laboratory Safety Standard, other appropriate OSHA Standards, and the Ohio Revised Code.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Biological safety cabinets (BSCs) shall be maintained in sound working condition at all times and shall be certified annually and after each move or maintenance procedure. Laboratory personnel are aware of the operational limits of BSCs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Chemical fume hoods shall never be used to contain biohazards.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	No employee or researcher will be asked to intentionally consume or otherwise be exposed to a biological agent as part of a research protocol.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	All biological waste will be properly disposed in compliance with Infectious Waste Management Guidelines established by the Department of Environmental Health and Safety.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	As applicable, employees will be offered vaccination, banking of serum or standard body material, and HIV testing. Banked material will be used for detection of compounds or serum conversion in the event of exposure.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Approval of this application is only for the biohazardous agents and procedures described herein. Any changes to the protocol (e.g., change of organisms, vectors, procedures, personnel, project location, etc.) must be approved by amendment prior to use or implementation.

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18. Project Summary Section.

Please provide a brief overview of the proposed research containing sufficient information to ensure adequate review of the protocol to determine compliance with Wright State University's Biosafety Program and local, state, and federal regulations. DO NOT cut and past the specific aims section from a grant application.

- a. Purpose of research (brief);
- b. Assessment of risk to personnel working with the biological agent;
- c. An outline of the procedures and techniques employed;
- d. Description of the safe practices, equipment, and facilities used to protect personnel;
- e. Describe any specific methods of inactivation or disposal of the agent not mentioned above.

Attach additional sheets as necessary.