

## **Institutional Biosafety Committee Charge**

The IBC establishes policy and provides oversight for use of biological materials in teaching and research activities at UC Santa Cruz. The Committee is delegated authority and responsibility from the Vice Chancellor of Research to review and approve use of:

1. Infectious organisms that can cause disease in humans or cause significant environmental or agricultural impact
2. Human or primate tissues, fluids, cells or cell cultures
3. Animal tissues, fluids, cells or cell cultures that may have been exposed to infectious organisms
4. Recombinant DNA in vitro, in vivo, and in clinical trials
5. Transgenic plants or animals
6. Releases of recombinant DNA to the environment
7. Animals known to be infected (experimentally or otherwise) with known human pathogens.
8. CDC / USDA Select Agents and Toxins
9. Toxins (biological origin) with LD50 < 100 ug per kilogram body weight

## **Implementation:**

In accordance with NIH requirements, the IBC will be comprised of members that collectively have experience and expertise in pertinent areas of biological research and safety. The full IBC will be convened quarterly or as needed to review and address any proposals and campus biosafety related matters. A quorum for decision making will be a simple majority of all the Committee members.