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Institutional Biosafety Committee

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INFORMATION ABOUT THE BOARD

Board Website (if applicable)

<https://compliance.nmsu.edu/ibc/>

Official Name of the Board

Institutional Biosafety Committee

Effective date of establishment

04/2002

Authorized by

Administrative Rules and Procedures (ARP)

Board Reports To (if applicable)

Vice President for Research

Scope of Impact

System

Type of Board

Standing

Purpose

The Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) oversees the use of biohazardous agents and/or recombinant nucleic acid molecules to ensure that these activities comply with regulations and standards for safety, public health, and environmental protection.

Authority

Advisory to the Vice President for Research to implement the university's Biosafety Program, as described in NMSU ARP 11.01 Research Oversight and Risk Management. As a condition for receiving Federal funding for research, the IBC reviews and approves procedures for the use of infectious organisms, biological toxins, and recombinant or synthetic nucleic acid molecules. The review process includes an assessment of the containment levels, facilities, procedures, practices, training and expertise of personnel involved in research with biohazards. The IBC is responsible for reporting any significant problems or violations of the NIH Guidelines and any significant research-related accidents or illnesses to the appropriate institutional officials and to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of Science Policy.

MEMBERSHIP

What is the process for selecting a chair?

The Vice President for Research selects the IBC Chair.

Chair for 2017-18 Academic Year

Name

John Kemp

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Co-Chair for 2017-18 Academic Year

Co-chair Name

Kathryn Hanley

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Chair for 2018-19 Academic Year

Name

John Kemp

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Co-Chair for 2018-19 Academic Year

Co-chair Name

Kathryn Hanley

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Additional Membership Details

Members are appointed by

Combination

Position appointment description

Members are appointed by the Vice President for Research, to include at least eight members employed by or affiliated with the university and two community members that are not affiliated with the university. The biosafety officer is a position appointment.

Individuals (faculty, exempt staff, and non-exempt staff) are appointed from departments and administrative units with expertise and/or job duties in recombinant nucleic acid technology, molecular biology, microbiology, public health, containment principles, animal and/or plant pathogens, safety, and/or facilities management. In accordance with the NIH Guidelines Section IV-B-2, the IBC also includes two community members that are not affiliated with the institution except for their membership on the IBC. The community members represent the interests of the surrounding community with respect to health and protection of the environment and should be knowledgeable in the basic principles of microbiology and recombinant DNA technology.

Is membership representative?

No

What university function/office is responsible for appointments?

Vice President for Research

What are the terms of appointment?

Members are appointed for a twelve-month term, effective beginning on the date of written acceptance of the appointment offer.

Are terms staggered?

Yes

Are members subject to reappointment?

Yes

Please explain the conditions under which members are subject to reappointment.

Reappointment is based on the member's preference to continue service, the recommendations from the IBC Chair and the Associate Vice President for Research Integrity, and the needs of the committee for expertise in specialty areas of research.

What is the process for filling vacant positions?

Voting members provide recommendations to the Chair of faculty, professional staff, and non-affiliated community members who have knowledge and expertise in biological research, safety, and regulatory compliance. Nominations and self-nominations from the university community are encouraged. Recommendations are submitted to the Vice President for Research. Appointees must submit a biosketch or curriculum vitae (CV) for annual reporting to the NIH-IBC Registration Management System.

Member List

Name	Title	Member Type
John Kemp	Professor Emeritus, ACES/EPPWS	Voting Member
Kathryn Hanley	Professor, AS/Biology	Voting Member
JoAnne Dupre	Biosafety Manager, Research/Integrity & Compliance	Voting Member

Name	Title	Member Type
Champa Sengupta Gopalan	Professor Distinguished, ACES/EPPWS	Voting Member
Willis Fedio	Associate Professor, ACES/Biosecurity & Food Safety Center	Voting Member
Katrina Doolittle	Exec. Director, Environmental Health, Safety & Risk Management	Voting Member
Rolston St. Hilaire	Acad Dept Head, ACES/Plant & Environmental Sciences	Voting Member
Amanda Luna	Manager, Lab Research, AS/Biology	Voting Member
Andrew Randall	State Chemist, New Mexico Department of Agriculture	Voting Member
Paul Jackson	Scientist, Stanford University affiliate	Voting Member
John Byrd	Community Member, Southwest Biolabs	Voting Member
Robert Patterson	Community Member, Covenant Clinic	Voting Member

MEETINGS & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

What university office/function provides administrative support to this board?

Office of Research Integrity & Compliance/Biosafety Manager

What are the requirements for the number of meetings to be held annually?

No specified number; typically, the IBC meets once each semester and as needed for review of applications and official business that must be conducted at a convened meeting.

Was the requirement for the number of meetings met?

Yes

List of Meeting Dates

9/28/2017

Major Accomplishments

- Reviewed continuation forms and re-approved 24 protocols.
- Reviewed reports of laboratory assessments, autoclave sterilization records, results of annual biosafety cabinet certification testing conducted by ProTech Services in Fall (Sept) and Spring (March).
- The IBC annual registration and membership report was accepted by the NIH Office of Science Policy on 02/08/2018. The next report is due on 2/08/2019.
- IBC self-evaluation is conducted periodically using the NIH Institutional Biosafety Committee Self-Assessment Tool, accessed from <https://osp.od.nih.gov/biotechnology/institutional-biosafety-committees/>, for requirements of IBC membership, meetings and minutes, protocol review and risk assessment, procedures, training, surveillance, emergency planning and response, physical containment of laboratories and large scale research, and experiments that must be reviewed by the IBC, IRB, and/or the NIH. Since the last assessment in June 2016, no substantial changes have occurred in the NMSU Biosafety Program.

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