

IACUC Update

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Welcome Dr. Chris Jenkins!

Please welcome Dr. Chris Jenkins as the new Director for the Office of Research Support. Dr. Jenkins was previously a Senior Vice President, Sr. Director, and Director with the Central IRB and IBC company, the Western Institutional Review Board-Copernicus Group (WCG). He has worked in the fields of human protections, gene therapy, and biosafety compliance fields in academic, private research institute and clinical settings, has experience overseeing a broad-range of entity research compliance and has served as IRB and IBC Chair at over 600 convened meetings.

Dr. Jenkins received his Doctorate of Philosophy in Public Health, with a focus on Biosecurity through the Saint Louis University School for Public Health and Social Justice. He holds an adjunct assistant professor position through the Saint Louis University School for Public Health and Social Justice, and he is frequently consulted for workshops, webinars, presentations, and has a number of articles in print and review.

Welcome, Chris!

Respiratory Protection Training Available from EH&S

Respiratory Protection (OH 507) applies to all employees and students whose studies or work activities require them to wear respiratory protection.

There are **five** respirator-specific training modules if an employee or student is required to wear a specific respirator: Dust Mask (OH 508), Full Face (OH 509), Half Face (OH 510), N95 (OH 511), and PAPR (OH 512).

For more information and for other courses offered, please see the Environmental Health & Safety website:

<http://ehs.utexas.edu/training/training-courses.php>

Do you have Legacy rDNA and/or Biosafety protocols? Convert them to eProtocol IBC!

The Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) is pleased to announce that eProtocol IBC is now available to use for registering your work with transgenic animals, biohazardous materials, and recombinant DNA.

ePROTOCOL
enabling paperless research compliances

Information that may have previously required both rDNA and Biosafety form can now be combined into a single eProtocol. Here are several great reasons to transition you rDNA and Biosafety protocols to eProtocol IBC:

- eProtocols have three-year approvals
- Multiple rDNA and Biosafety protocols can be described in a single eProtocol
- Multiple personnel can edit and submit a single eProtocol
- Expanded space to describe your research with rDNA/biohazardous materials
- Same website as eProtocol IACUC: <https://spike.orsc.utexas.edu/eP2/>

Beginning January 5, 2016, all new protocols submitted to the IBC must use eProtocol IBC.

In the foreseeable future, the IBC will begin transitioning existing legacy rDNA and Biosafety protocols to eProtocol IBC. If you would like to transition your current rDNA and/or Biosafety protocols to eProtocol IBC now, please contact the Office of Research Support for advice and/or assistance.

<https://spike.orsc.utexas.edu/eP2/>

The next IACUC Full Committee Review (FCR) is **August 8, 2016**.

The submission deadline for review at this FCR is **July 15, 2016**.

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