Friendly Reminders

Use the BPAC checklist to assist in getting your BPAC approved!

BPAC submissions can be made through internal mail P310 Pathology or electronically: biosafety.program@umanitoba.ca with the subject “PI SURNAME—BPAC”

Update your biosafety permit within 30 days of any changes to personnel, rooms, inventory etc. To get started, visit the EHSA database.

Importing/exporting Risk Group 2 Pathogens or Toxins requires a signed and submitted Biohazardous Agent Transfer form

Biosafety Training is now on UMLearn!

Biosafety Training (and eventually WHMIS) is now being offered on UMLearn. To access the training, all personnel can now login to UMLearn with their UMNetID and password. The EHS Biosafety Training are available as Self-Registration courses (Under the “Support” option in the top right corner). More-detailed instructions on how to access and work through the training is available on our website.

Import and Transfer: Quick Reference Guide

The chart below is a summary of what is needed when importing biological agents.

Click on the image to access the links for the documents!

Please be advised that the required documentation is subject to change. Contact us to confirm what documentation is needed to transfer your biological agent.

What do I want?

Highly Regulated
- Risk Group 3 Pathogens
- Security Sensitive Biological Agents; see the list here: http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/lab-test-ref/list-risk-abse-eng.php

Public Health Agency of Canada
- Human/Terrestrial Animal Pathogens & Toxins
- Any mixture which may contain a terrestrial animal pathogen

Canadian Food Inspection Agency
- Foreign Animal Diseases
- Cell lines that contain animal pathogen promoters
- Aquatic pathogens
- Bee Pathogens
- Animal By-products
- Plant pathogens

Not regulated
- Risk Group 1 agents
- Plasmids
- Pathogens in their natural environment (excludes animal pathogens)

What do I need?

Highly Regulated Agents
- Contact BSO First!

PHAC regulated agents
- University of Manitoba Biosafety Permit
- Biological Agent Transfer Form

CFIA Regulated agents
- CFIA Import Permit
- Facility Certification
- Transfer Notification

Non-pathogenic/not regulated agents
- No documentation required
FYI: Biosafety Permits vs Overviews

**Biosafety Permit**
- Signed by and obtained via the BSO/Designate
- To be posted in your approved lab locations
- Lists ONLY names of personnel, rooms and BSCs (no expiration dates, no bio agent inventory)

**Biosafety Permit Overview**
- No Signatures and obtained at anytime using the EHS Data
- NOT to be posted
- Required for BPAC submissions
- Lists training dates of listed personnel
- Lists bio-agent inventory
- Lists BSC expiration dates

---

EHS is on Social Media!

EHS is now on Twitter! Follow us @UM_EHS for safety tips, fun stuff, and what's new in our office!

We would love to hear from you (and your students!).