

*Research Involving Biohazardous Materials*

Federal and state regulations specify compliance of all activities involving biohazardous materials and the facilities used to conduct such work. The university is required to maintain a monitoring committee that inspects facilities, gives initial review and approval of proposed experiments, and provides assurance to granting agencies that the regulations and guidelines will be followed. The Institutional Biological Safety Committee (IBC) was established for this purpose, and all work involving hazardous materials must be reviewed and approved by the IBC before the university can accept an award from a granting agency or the research can be initiated. The Office of Research Integrity and Assurance (ORIA) provides the necessary staff and administrative assistance for the committee and Office of Environmental Health and Safety provides technical expertise and advice as necessary. Please see the IBC website at <http://www.ibc.cornell.edu/>.