



THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY TO HANDLE
SELECT BIOLOGICAL AGENTS OR TOXINS

ALL PERSONS HAVING ACCESS TO SELECT BIOLOGICAL AGENTS AND TOXINS AS DEFINED BY APPLICABLE FEDERAL LAW ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION. SEE ATTACHED FOR LIST OF SELECT BIOLOGICAL AGENTS AND TOXINS. FAILURE TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION MAY RESULT IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION, UP TO AND INCLUDING TERMINATION AND DISMISSAL.

Yes	No	Statements (<i>NOTE: affirmation must be executed, see below</i>)
		(1) Are you under indictment for a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding 1 year?
		(2) Have you been convicted in any court or received deferred adjudication for a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding 1 year?
		(3) Are you a fugitive from justice?
		(4) Do you unlawfully use any controlled substance (as defined by § 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. § 802))?
		(5) Are you a citizen or permanent resident of the United States? If your answer is "No," of what country are you a citizen? _____
		(6) Are you illegally or unlawfully in the United States?
		(7) Have you ever been adjudicated as a mental defective or been committed to any mental institution?
		(8) Were you dishonorably discharged from the Armed Services of the United States?

AFFIRMATION

I, _____, hereby affirm that the answers provided in this statement are truthful, correct, and complete to the fullest extent of my personal knowledge. I agree that I will promptly inform the Texas A&M University System should any of the above conditions change.

I understand that if I answered "Yes," to any of the above questions, (except no.5), *or* if I am a non-permanent resident of the U.S. and a citizen of a country determined by the Secretary of State to repeatedly provide support for acts of international terrorism, and I possess (unless specifically authorized by the United States Government) any biological agent or toxin listed as a select agent in 42 C.F.R. § 72.6(j) and not exempt pursuant to 42 C.F.R. § 72.6(h), I can be **fin ed or imprisoned or both**.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Witness: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

LIST OF SELECT BIOLOGICAL AGENTS AND TOXINS

(Appendix A to C.F.R. Title 42, Ch.1, Subch. F, Part 72)

VIRUSES

1. Crimean-Congo Haemorrhagic fever virus
2. Eastern Equine Encephalitis virus
3. Ebola viruses
4. Equine Morbillivirus
5. Lassa fever virus
6. Marburg virus
7. Rift Valley fever virus
8. South American Haemorrhagic fever viruses (Junin, Machupo, Sabia, Flexal, Guanarito)
9. Tick-borne encephalitis complex viruses
10. Variola major virus (Smallpox virus)
11. Venezuelan Equine Encephalitis virus
12. Viruses causing hantavirus pulmonary syndrome
13. Yellow fever virus

Exemptions: Vaccine strains of viral agents (Junin Virus strain candid #1, Rift Valley fever virus strain MP-12, Venezuelan Equine encephalitis virus strain TC-83, Yellow fever virus strain 17-D) are exempt.

BACTERIA

1. Bacillus anthracis
2. Brucella abortus, B. melitensis, B. suis
3. Burkholderia (Pseudomonas) mallei
4. Burkholderis (Pseudomonas) pseudomallei
5. Clostridium botulinum
6. Francisella tularensis
7. Yersinia pestis

Exemptions: vaccine strains as described in Title 9 CFR, 78.1 are exempt.

RICKETTSIAE

1. Coxiella burnetii
2. Rickettsia prowazekii
3. Rickettsia rickettsii

FUNGI

1. Coccidioides immitis

TOXINS

1. Abrin
2. Aflatoxins
3. Botulinum toxins
4. Clostridium perfringens epsilon toxin
5. Conotoxins
6. Diacetoxyscirpenol
7. Ricin
8. Saxitoxin
9. Shigatoxin
10. Staphylococcal enterotoxins
11. Tetrodotoxin
12. T-2 toxin

Exemptions: Toxins for medical use, inactivated for use as vaccines, or toxin preparations for biomedical research use at an LD50 for vertebrates of more than 100 nanograms per kilogram body weight are exempt. National standard toxins required for biologic potency testing as described in 9 CFR Part 113 are exempt.

RECOMBINANT ORGANISMS/MOLECULES

1. Genetically modified microorganisms or genetic elements from organisms on Appendix A, shown to produce or encode for a factor associated with a disease.
2. Genetically modified microorganism or genetic elements that contain nucleic acid sequences coding for any of the toxins listed in this Appendix, or their toxic subunit.

ADDITIONAL EXEMPTIONS

Products subject to regulation under the Federal Insecticide Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. §136, et seq.) and the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. §2601 et seq.) are exempt.