**Instructions:**

* Complete this form electronically for each Biological Materials Safeguards Committee (BMSC) registration.
* Upload your completed form with your BMSC registration via Onsite for BMSC review.

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| **Section 1: Administrative** | | |
| 1.1 | PI Name: | |
| 1.2 | BMSC Protocol Title: | |
| 1.3 | BMSC Approval Number (if known): | |
| **Section 2: Dual Use Research of Concern (DURC) Potential Assessment** | | |
| * + Despite its value and benefits, certain types of research conducted for legitimate purposes can be utilized for both benevolent and harmful purposes. Such research is called Dual Use Research (DUR).   + Dual Use Research of Concern (DURC) is a subset of DUR and is defined as “life sciences research that, based on current understanding, can be reasonably anticipated to provide knowledge, information, products, or technologies that could be directly misapplied to pose a significant threat with broad potential consequences to public health and safety, agricultural crops and other plants, animals, the environment, materiel, or national security.”   + On March 29, 2012, the US Government released the [US Government Policy for Oversight of Life Sciences Dual Use Research of Concern](http://www.phe.gov/s3/dualuse/Documents/us-policy-durc-032812.pdf) to establish the requirements for the oversight of DURC by the US Government. On September 24, 2014, the [US Government Policy for Institutional Oversight of Life Sciences Dual Use Research of Concern](http://www.phe.gov/s3/dualuse/Documents/durc-policy.pdf) was released to establish the requirements for institutional (i.e., non-US Government) oversight of DURC. The US Government considers these two policies to be complementary.   + These definitions could potentially encompass a number of life sciences research projects at Georgia Tech, however, the current scope of the Policy has been limited to the following agents and toxins and categories of experiments. Research must involve both a listed agent/toxin and category of experiment to be deemed potential DURC. | | |
| 2.1 | **Agent or Toxin Involved in Project (check all that apply)**  *Verify if this project directly involves non-attenuated forms of 1 or more of the 15 listed agents.* | |
| Avian Influenza (highly pathogenic)  *Bacillus anthracis*  Botulinum neurotoxin (any quantity)  *Burkholderia mallei*  *Burkholderia pseudomallei*  Ebola virus  Foot-and-mouth disease virus  *Francisella tularensis* | Marburg virus  Reconstructed 1918 influenza virus  Rinderpest virus  Toxin producing strains of *Clostridium botulinum*  Variola major virus  Variola minor virus  *Yersinia pestis*  **NONE** |
| 2.2 | **Experimental Effects (check all that apply)**  *Indicate whether the research project indicated above produces, aims or can be reasonably anticipated to produce any of the following experimental effects.*  Enhances the harmful consequences of the agent or toxin.  Disrupts the immunity or the effectiveness of an immunization against the agent or toxin without clinical or agricultural justification.  Confers to the agent or toxin resistance to clinically or agriculturally useful prophylactic or therapeutic interventions against the agent or toxin or facilitates its ability to evade detection methodologies.  Alters properties of the agent or toxin in a manner that would enhance its ability to be disseminated.  Alters the host range or tropism of the agent or toxin.  Enhances the susceptibility of a host population to the agent or toxin.  Generates or reconstitutes an eradicated or extinct agent or toxin listed in Question 6.2 of this form.  **NONE**  ***If you checked any of the above experimental effects, please explain:*** | |