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The Office of Research Administration (ORA) provides administrative support to committees that focus on specific types of hazards as detailed below.

Chemical and Physical Safety Committee (CPSC)

The CPSC focuses on chemical and physical hazards in research laboratories and is mandated to develop, recommend, update and maintain policies and procedures applicable to chemical and physical health and safety practices at UCLA in order to promote safe research practices. The CPSC has representation from the School of Medicine, the School of Dentistry, the School of Engineering, EH&S, and the Office of Legal Affairs.

Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC)

The IBC is responsible for establishing, monitoring, and enforcing policies and procedures involving hazardous biological materials and recombinant/synthetic nucleic acids to meet applicable federal, state, local and institutional regulations and guidelines.

Institutional Review Entity (IRE) for Dual Use Research of Concern

The IRE is responsible for conducting reviews of research for dual use potential.

Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research Safety Oversight Committee (OSOC)

The OSOC is charged with promoting a safe working environment in all research and teaching laboratories on campus and serves as a mechanism for communication between existing campus Safety Committees on topics of mutual safety concerns. The Committee advises and reports to the Chancellor through the Vice Chancellor for Research.

Radiation Safety Committees (RSC)

The ORA-RSC staff provide administrative support for the Radiation Safety Committee (RSC) and subcommittees: Academic Radiation Safety Committee (ARSC), Clinical Operations Radiation Safety Committee (CORSC), Medical Radiation Safety Committee (MRSC), and Radioactive Drug Research Committee (RDRC).

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