To comply with the US government DURC policy, a subcommittee of the UC Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) was assigned as the Institutional Review Entity for DURC and established a formal review process for potential DURC projects.

It is the responsibility of the Principal Investigator to identify research involving one or more of the agents or toxin on the DURC list and notify the IRE regarding review of its DURC potential.

The formal review starts with the PI submission of the DURC Review Application form which should be forwarded to the Biosafety Office. The IRE will review the application and determine whether or not the project falls under the DURC definition.

In case a project is determined to be DURC, designated members of the IRE will work with the PI to draft a mitigation plan to be submitted to the applicable US government funding agency.

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