

2026-2027 Institutional Biosafety Committee Roster									
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Member #	Designation	IBC Member	Degree	Department	Institutional Affiliation	Date of IBC Appointment	IBC Expertise
1	Chair	Michael Trakselis	PhD	Chemistry/Biochemistry	Yes	1-Nov-2023	viral vector/gene modification
2	Vice Chair	Jason Pitts	PhD	Biology	Yes	1-Nov-2023	arthropod/gene drive
3	IBC Member/BSO	Wyndi Klement	MS	Environmental Health & Safety	Yes	1-Nov-2023	biosafety/biosecurity
4	IBC Member	Joe Taube	PhD	Biology	Yes	30-Aug-2024	viral vector/animal
5	IBC Member	Elisabeth Vichaya	PhD	Psychology/Neuroscience	Yes	1-Nov-2023	gene modification/animal
6	IBC Member	Bernd Zechmann	PhD	Associate Dir. Core Facilities	Yes	1-Feb-2025	plant/lab-facilities staff
7	IBC Member	Cory Dungan	PhD	Health & Human Performance	Yes	30-Aug-2024	IACUC/IBC crossover/animal
8	IBC Member	Jacques Nguyen	PhD	Psychology/Neuroscience	Yes	20-Aug-2025	r/sNAanimal studies expert
9	IBC Member	Deborah Holland	JD	Research Compliance	Yes	24-Oct-2023	research compliance
10	Community Member	Steve Ash	MPS	Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service	No	6-Sep-2024	public works/field work
11	Community Member	Brandi Brigman	MS	Stanford University	No	1-Feb-2025	academic research
alt	IBC Member (Alt)	Margaret Galvez	DNP	Baylor School of Nursing-Dallas	Yes	11-Sep-2026	clinical/medical
alt	IBC Member (Alt)	Olga Makhlynets	PhD	Chemistry/Biochemistry	Yes	11-Sep-2026	molecular/synthetic chemistry

Board Membership = 11				
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Quorum = 7				
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Ex-officio Members (Non-Voting)	Member	Degree	Department	Institutional Affiliation	Date of IBC Appointment	IBC Expertise
Facilities- ex-officio	Chris Becker	PhD	OVRP	Yes	1-Nov-2023	facilities
Facilities- ex-officio (Alternate)	Michelle Nemec	PhD	Director Molecular Biosciences Center	Yes	30-Aug-2024	facilities
Senior Director EHS- ex-officio	Karen Humphrey	PhD	Environmental Health & Safety	Yes	30-Aug-2024	EHS
IBC Admin	Traci Nichols		Environmental Health & Safety	Yes	1-Nov-2023	admin support

14-Sep-2026				
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NOTE: 2026 Roster amendment submitted immediately upon loss of 2 IBC members due to separation from the institution. New IBC members appointed by IO September 2026 and IBC-RMS updated 9/14/2026.