Laboratory Audit Checklist

	YES	NO	N/A	Comments	
Name of PI: Date:					
Room Number:					
Protocol Spec	ific Inf	ormati	on		
Name/type of agent					
Is the agent replication defective?					
Biosafety Level					
NIH Guideline Category					
Agent received from:					
Commercial Source					
UK Researcher				Name:	
Other				Describe:	
Quantity of agent to be produced				<20 mL	
Quantity of agent to be stored				<20 mL	
Are toxins used in this research?				Toxin/amt. in lab:	
Copy of approved protocol in lab that describes agent					
being studied?					
Persor	nel/Tra	aining			
Researcher has experience working with agent?				Years:	
Number of persons conducting work?					
Employees have experience with agent?				Describe:	
Personnel receive training for agent in use?					
Personnel receive training for bloodborne pathogen					
standard?					
Personnel receive training for lab safety?					
Personnel receive training for hazardous materials?					
Is training documented in lab safety manual?					
Chemical hygiene plan (CHP) with SOPs present?					
Exposure control plan (ECP) available and up to date (BBP)					
Personnel aware of CHP and ECP?					
Personnel receive appropriate immunizations or tests					

Facilitie	s and Practices
Does laboratory director establish policy/procedures	
and advise personnel of hazards and entry	Describe:
requirements?	
Access to laboratory restricted?	
Access restricted to stored viable materials?	
The lab is under negative pressure if working with	
airborne agents	
Fire extinguishers present and inspected?	
Chemical spill supplies available?	
Are gas cylinders secured and capped?	
First aid kit readily available?	
Are spills and accidents reported to the lab director?	
Separate desk space	
Access doors properly labeled	
Emergency numbers posted by phone?	
Folding step stool available?	
Emergency response guide on/near lab door?	
Eating and drinking permitted in lab?	
Food stored outside work area in designated	
refrigerator?	
Sink for handwashing?	
Liquid hand soap available at sink?	
Paper towels available at sink?	
Do personnel wash hands after handling viable	
materials?	
Is emergency shower/eyewash available?	
Do lab personnel flush eyewash regularly?	Date last tested:
Are eyewash and shower tested by PPD?	Date last tested:
Is proper disinfectant available?	
List:	
Are work surfaces decontaminated once a day?	
Are work surfaces decontaminated after spill?	
Cultures, stocks, and other wastes decontaminated	Autoclave
before disposal?	Bleach
Does the lab operate autoclave?	Other:
Autoclave location	
Is autoclave QC log kept?	+
Is the autoclave monitored monthly with biological	+ + +
spore test?	
Who is responsible for overseeing the operation of	+ + +
the autoclave	Name:
THE AUTOCIAVE	Type: Red
Are appropriate autoclave bags used?	Orange Clear
Plastic substituted for glass when possible?	
Broken glass not handled directly, but by mechanical means?	
Proper broken glass disposal?	+ + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +
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Used needles, syringes, and other sharps placed in	
appropriate containers for disposal?	
Written biohazard disposal procedures in safety	
manual?	
Biological Safety cabinets used whenever procedures	Class Type
with potential for creating infectious aerosols or	Certified by
splashes are conducted?	Date
Are UV lights in the BSC?	
Are they used properly?	
Is the staff trained for proper use?	
Is this training documented?	
Are potentially infectious materials centrifuged?	Safety containment cups Sealed rotors with O-rings Other
Protective clothing/personal protective equipment	
present and used (disposable lab coats)	
Disposable gloves are not reused	Latex Nitrile
Are materials placed in appropriate containers for	
transport?	
Vacuum line protected in place?	Liquid disinfectant trap and HEPA air filter?
Aware of Export Controls?	*
NIH guidelines in lab	** must be present in lab; may bookmark on computer
CDC BMBL in lab?	*** must be present in lab; may bookmark on computer

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Commerce Dept. Export Control: http://206.151.87.67/docs/Export%20Controls.pdf

CDC BMBL: http://www.cdc.gov/od/ohs/pdffiles/4th%20BMBL.pdf

NIH Guidelines: http://www4.od.nih.gov/oba/rac/guidelines_02/NIH_Gdlnes_lnk_2002z.pdf