### 40 CFR § 26.1111 Criteria for Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval of research

Criterion	Y/N	Comment/Page Reference
(a)(1)(i) Risks to subjects are minimized by using procedures which are consistent with sound research design and which do not unnecessarily expose subjects to risk.	Υ	
(a)(1)(ii) Risks to subjects are minimized, whenever appropriate, by using procedures already being performed on the subjects for diagnostic or treatment purposes.	N/A	
(a)(2) Risks to subjects are reasonable in relation to anticipated benefits, if any, to subjects, and the importance of the knowledge that may reasonably be expected to result. In evaluating risks and benefits, the IRB should consider only those risks and benefits that may result from the research (as distinguished from risks and benefits subjects would receive even if not participating in the research). The IRB should not consider possible long-range effects of applying knowledge gained in the research (for example, the possible effects of the research on public policy) as among those research risks that fall within the purview of its responsibility.	Y	
(a)(3) Selection of subjects is equitable, taking into account the purposes of the research and the setting in which it will be conducted, and being particularly cognizant of the special problems of research involving vulnerable populations, such as prisoners, mentally disabled persons, or economically or educationally disadvantaged persons.	Y	
(a)(4) Informed consent will be sought from each prospective subject, in accordance with, and to the extent required by §26.1116.	Υ	
(a)(5) Informed consent will be appropriately documented, in accordance with, and to the extent required by §26.1117.	Y	
(a)(6) When appropriate, the research plan makes adequate provision for monitoring the data collected to ensure the safety of subjects.	Υ	
(a)(7) When appropriate, there are adequate provisions to protect the privacy of subjects and to maintain the confidentiality of data.	Υ	
(b) When some or all of the subjects are likely to be vulnerable to coercion or undue influence, additional safeguards have been included in the study to protect the rights and welfare of these subjects.	N/A	EPA suggests that exclusion criteria also list students of PI or any other UF faculty/staff involved in the study administration; no other potential vulnerable subjects should be included

## 40 CFR §26.1116 General requirements for informed consent of human subjects

No investigator may involve a human being as a subject in research covered by this subpart unless the investigator has obtained the legally effective informed consent of the subject or the subject's legally authorized representative  An investigator shall seek such consent only under circumstances that provide the prospective subject or the representative sufficient opportunity to consider whether or not to participate and that minimize the possibility of coercion or undue influence	
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The information that is given to the subject or the representative shall be in language understandable to the subject or the representative	
No informed consent, whether oral or written, may include any exculpatory language through which the subject or the representative is made to waive or appear to waive any of the subject's legal rights, or releases or appears to release the investigator, the sponsor, the institution or its agents from liability for negligence	
(1) A statement that the study involves research, an explanation of the purposes of the research and the expected duration of the subject's participation, a description of the procedures to be followed, and identification of any procedures which are experimental	
(2) A description of any reasonably foreseeable risks or discomforts to the subject	
(3) A description of any benefits to the subject or to others which may reasonably be expected from the research	
(4) A disclosure of appropriate alternative procedures or courses of treatment, if any, that might be advantageous to the subject N/A No alternative procedures; alt	ternative is
(5) A statement describing the extent, if any, to which confidentiality of records identifying the subject will be maintained	
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(8) A statement that participation is voluntary, refusal to participate will involve no penalty or loss of benefits to which the subject is otherwise entitled, and the subject may discontinue participation at any time without penalty or loss of benefits to which the subject is otherwise entitled	
(1) A statement that the particular treatment or procedure may involve risks to the subject (or to the embryo or fetus, if the subject may become pregnant) which are currently unforeseeable	
(2) Anticipated circumstances under which the subject's participation may be terminated by the investigator without regard to the subject's consent	
(3) Any additional costs to the subject that may result from participation N/A No anticipated costs to the subject that may result from participation in the research	ıbject
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(6) The approximate number of subjects involved in the study	
(e) If the research involves intentional exposure of subjects to a pesticide, the subjects of the research must be informed of the identity of the pesticide and the nature of its pesticidal function.	

### 40 CFR §26.1117 Documentation of informed consent

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(a) Informed consent shall be documented by the use of a written consent form approved by the IRB and signed by the subject or the subject's legally authorized representative. A copy shall be given to the person signing the form.	Y	
(b)(1) The consent form may be a written consent document that embodies the elements of informed consent required by 40 CFR §26.1116. This form may be read to the subject or the subject's legally authorized representative, but in any event, the investigator shall give either the subject or the representative adequate opportunity to read it before it is signed; or	Y	Separate file "IRB approved protocol & informed consent materials"
(b)(2) The consent form may be a short form written consent document stating that the elements of informed consent required by 40 CFR §26.1116 have been presented orally to the subject or the subject's legally authorized representative. When this method is used, there shall be a witness to the oral presentation. Also, the IRB shall approve a written summary of what is to be said to the subject or the representative. Only the short form itself is to be signed by the subject or the representative. However, the witness shall sign both the short form and a copy of the summary, and the person actually obtaining consent shall sign a copy of the summary. A copy of the summary shall be given to the subject or the representative, in addition to a copy of the short form.		

### 40 CFR §26.1125 Submission of proposed human research for EPA review

Any person or institution who intends to conduct or sponsor human research covered by §26.1101(a) shall, after receiving approval from all appropriate IRBs, submit to EPA prior to initiating such research all information relevant to the proposed research specified by 40 CFR §26.1115(a), and the following additional information, to the extent not already included:

Requirement			Y/N	Comments/Page Refs
o the ed:	§1125(a) discussion of:	(1) The potential risks to human subjects	Υ	Section 3.2, to be revised in response to EPA's comments
ition, t		(2) The measures proposed to minimize risks to the human subjects;	Υ	Section 3.2, to be revised in response to EPA's comments
forma eady i	a disc	(3) The nature and magnitude of all expected benefits of such research, and to whom they would accrue	Υ	Section 3.2, to be revised in response to EPA's comments;
The following Information, to the Extent not already included:		(4) Alternative means of obtaining information comparable to what would be collected through the proposed research; and	Y	Section 3.3, to be revised in response to EPA's comments
he fo Ext	•	(5) The balance of risks and benefits of the proposed research.	Υ	
	§1125(b): All information for subjects and written informed consent agreements as originally provided to the IRB, and as approved by the IRB.		Υ	Separate files "IRB approved protocol & ICF" "Original IRB submission – protocol and ICF"
	§1125(c): Information about how subjects will be recruited, including any advertisements proposed to be used.		Υ	Sections 4.1 and 8.3.1, to be revised in response to EPA's comments Separate file "Advertisement EPA comments"
	§1125(d): A description of the circumstances and methods proposed for presenting information to potential human subjects for the purpose of obtaining their informed consent.		Υ	Section 8.3.2, to be revised in response to EPA's comments
	§1125(e): All correspondence between the IRB and the investigators or sponsors.		Υ	Separate file "IRB correspondence"
	§1125(f): Official notification to the sponsor or investigator that research involving human subjects has been reviewed and approved by an IRB.		Υ	Separate file "IRB approval"
	(1) Copi	es of all research proposals reviewed by the IRB, scientific evaluations, if any, that accompanied the proposals reviewed by the IRB, approved sample consent documents, progress reports submitted by investigators, and reports of injuries to subjects.	Υ	Separate files "IRB approved protocol & ICF" "Original IRB submission – protocol and ICF"
	(2) Minu • • •	attes of IRB meetings in sufficient detail to show attendance at the meetings; actions taken by the IRB; the vote on these actions including the number of members voting for, against, and abstaining; the basis for requiring changes in or disapproving research; a written summary of the discussion of controverted issues and their resolution.	Y	Separate file "IRB minutes"
	(3) Reco	ords of continuing review activities.	N/A	
	(4) Copi	es of all correspondence between the IRB and the investigators.	Υ	Separate file "IRB correspondence"

the proposed research 26.1115(a)	(5) A list of IRB members identified by name; earned degrees; representative capacity; indications of experience such as board certifications, licenses, etc., sufficient to describe each member's chief anticipated contributions to IRB deliberations; any employment or other relationship between each member and the institution, for example, full-time employee, a member of governing panel or board, stockholder, paid or unpaid consultant.	Y	Separate file "IRB Roster"
: to the y § 26	(6) Written procedures for the IRB in the same detail as described in §26.1108(a) and §26.1108(b).	Υ	Separate file "Interventions Procedures_Aug 2015_Final"
all information relevant to t specified by § \$	(7) Statements of significant new findings provided to subjects, as required by §26.1116(b)(5).	N/A	