5.0 **PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES**

Ohio University does not have appropriate facilities or regulatory approvals to conduct the following activities. These activities are prohibited.

1) Work with RG 3 and RG 4 agents.

2) Work that requires BSL 3 or BSL 4 facilities or procedures.

3) Work with Select Agents that are regulated by the CDC and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Except for some work, with small quantities of select agent toxins, that is exempted from the federal regulations. Contact the BSO for more details.

4) Experiments with animal pathogens that are forbidden from entry into the United States.

5) Experiments with plant pathogens or vectors for which the U.S. Department of Agriculture may refuse to issue a permit for importation or interstate movement.

6) Experiments with non-human primates.

7) The following recombinant DNA experiments:

   a. Formation of recombinant DNAs derived from pathogenic organisms classified as Risk Group 3 or 4 or from cells known to be infected with such agents, regardless of the host-vector system used.

   b. Large scale propagation (more than 10 liters of culture) of recombinant DNA containing organisms that require BSL 3 or higher containment conditions and practices.

   c. Creation by the use of recombinant DNA of a plant pathogen with increased virulence and host range beyond that which occurs by natural genetic exchange.

   d. Deliberate release into the environment of any organism containing recombinant DNA, unless specifically approved in writing by NIH and/or EPA.

   e. Transfer of a drug-resistant trait to microorganisms that are not known to acquire it naturally, if such acquisition could compromise the use of a drug to control disease agents in human or veterinary medicine or agriculture.