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Do you want to send or receive biological material? You should know the Federal government manages the transport of a wide variety of biological materials commonly used in research.

The NIH Quarantine Permit Service Office - QPSO - is your resource to help you navigate complex requirements for the import, transfer or export of biological research materials. Contact QPSO if you intend to import or export any biological material, even if you don't consider it infectious.

You can do this by calling 301-496-2960 or by sending an email to qpso@mail.nih.gov.

A QPSO officer will answer your questions and guide you through the relevant application procedures to help you get the correct permits for your biological material.

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