

GMO Contained Use (CU) Activities

QMUL Peer Review, Approval & Notification Process

[GMO CU Policy and Topic Page](#)

GM Risk Assessment Draft (or significant amendment)

- Prepared by GM Project Supervisor
- [GMO Risk Assessment Templates](#)

First Review

by QMUL Biological Safety Adviser

- Email draft to m.r.ariyanayagam@qmul.ac.uk
- Amendments made by GM Project Supervisor

Normal response within 10 working days of receipt

Submission to QMUL BGMSC and Peer Review and Activity Risk Classification

- Class 1 Activities are peer reviewed by email circulation
- Class 2 and 3 Activities are discussed with the GM Project Supervisor at the next BGMSC meeting – **submit at least 3 weeks before Meeting Dates**
- Final amendments made by GM Project Supervisor

Class 1 - Normal response within 10 working days of amended version receipt

Class 2 or 3 – Response at BGMSC meeting or notified within 10 working days of amended version receipt

BGMSC Approval at GM Class 1*

Class 1 Activity may start immediately†

Class 2 Activity may start after Notification Acknowledged by HSE‡

HSE Acknowledgement within 20 days

BGMSC Approval at GM Class 2 or 3*

New or significant amendment GM (CU2 form) Notification to the HSE§ prepared by GM Project Supervisor

- New or as a 'Connected Program of Work'

Class 3 Consent may start after Notification Consent by HSE‡

HSE Consent within 45 days
'New' Class 3 GMO (CU) Activity – within 90 days

Or

Included within an existing QMUL HSE (CU2 form) Notification without amendment

- As a 'Connected Program of Work'

GMO (CU) Activity may start immediately†

*QMUL Biological Safety Adviser will email approved risk assessment to GM Project Supervisor § [Fee payable to the HSE](#) by the GM Project Supervisor

†Containment measures (Facility, Procedures) and management arrangements must be in place; a QMUL BGMSC inspection will be conducted for new or altered work areas