



Institutional Review Board

University of Missouri-Columbia

Standard Operating Procedure

Appeals of IRB Decisions

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1.0 Purpose

This policy describes the process by which an investigator can appeal a decision of the IRB.

2.0 Scope

The SOP applies to all human subject research falling under the purview of the University of Missouri Institutional Review Board.

3.0 Policy/Procedure

If the IRB decides to disapprove a research study or require modifications, it will include in its written notification a statement of the reasons for its decisions, and give the investigator an opportunity to respond in writing and appeal an IRB decision.

An IRB decision can only be appealed to the convened board.

The investigator may be invited by the Chair to attend the full board meeting or meet with the Chair prior to the meeting at which the appeal is presented. The investigator may be invited for purposes of answering questions posed by the board members. The investigator would be required to leave the meeting prior to board discussion and vote on the issue.

If the appeal is denied, the board decision cannot be overridden by another party. The IRB retains the final authority for approval of proposed research with human subjects.

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References:

Policy Revision Dates Prior to January 21, 2019:

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