What is a dangerous drug (DD) or a controlled substance (CS)?

See [a list of controlled substances](#) on the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) website. [See this list](#) to review the designated dangerous drugs. Find more information on our website [here](#).

### Important Information

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<td>According to state and federal regulations, you are required to obtain your own license if you are using a dangerous drugs (DD) or controlled substances (CS) for research. Researchers are not allowed to share their licenses and every principal investigator should obtain their own license(s).</td>
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<td>Obtain your License</td>
<td><a href="#">Check this webpage</a>-Please know that this process will take 2 or 3 months for the GBP and 2 additional months for the DEA, so submit your license as soon as possible. Payments are made via credit card, and the tax exemption is not applicable. Consult your department for payment options.</td>
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**Georgia Board of Pharmacy (GBP):** needed if using dangerous drugs or controlled substances. [Use this go-by form](#) to help with this [application](#).

**Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA):** needed if using controlled substances ([application](#)).

**Remember this**

- You cannot submit your DEA license application until you receive your GBP license.
- You need separate licenses if you plan to store drugs in more than one location or using CS in different buildings.
- If using a CS Schedule 1 and other schedules (2 to 5) you need two different licenses. The CS Schedule 1 license requires submission of an approved IRB or IACUC protocol. If your research does not involve human or animal subjects, you need to submit your protocol to ORIC at [oric@emory.edu](mailto:oric@emory.edu) for AVP approval.
- We strongly recommend obtaining a separate research license and not use your DEA medical license to prevent any issues.

### Relevant Resources

**Register your License with ORIC:** Use these links to register your [GBP](#) and [DEA](#) licenses.

**Maintain Required Documents:** You can find all our available forms [in this page](#). Does a form not work for your study? Contact us at [oric@emory.edu](mailto:oric@emory.edu) for assistance. You may choose a different form but ensure you are documenting all the required fields as in these forms.

**Training resources:** Find training for conducting research with CS and DDs, register to our webinars or access previous recordings [here](#).

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