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Is my project high risk?	Is my project medium risk?
If your projects involves *any* of the in column A your research is deemed to be high risk If you answer no to *all* statements in column A then proceed to column B.	If you answer yes to *any* of the questions in column B your research is deemed to be medium risk. If you answer no to *all* statements in column B your research will be eligible for a low risk proportionate review.
a. Research conducted or supported by any U.S. federal department or agency. b. Research into illegal or criminal activity where there is a risk that the researcher will be placed in physical danger or in legal jeopardy, or engaging individuals that may be involved in illegal or criminal activity. c. Research engaging individuals who may be involved in terrorism, radicalisation, extremism or violent activity and other activity that falls within the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act (2015). d. Research supported by some external funders, e.g. the ESRC, who require external membership on the approving REC. e. Research taking place in a country outside the UK where the FCO has issued an orange or red travel advisory. f. Research specifically recruiting pregnant women, women in labour, or women who have had a recent stillbirth or miscarriage (within the last 12 months). (Except in SHS) g. Research involving recruitment of participants from any of the following groups: Children under 18; Adults at risk; Adults potentially without the capacity to consent (except in SHS and SASS where it is medium risk). h. Invasive procedures (for example medical or surgical); Intrusive procedures (for example psychological or social). i. The possibility of pain, danger; Drugs, placebos, or other substances administered to participants. j. Deceptive research practices (except in Psychology where it is medium risk). k. Clinical trial/intervention testing that do not require Health Research Authority or MHRA approval. l. Collection of human tissue or other biological samples that does not fall under the Human Tissue Act (2004) and does not require Health Research Authority Research Ethics Service approval.	a. Research involving access to confidential data (e.g. business sensitive data, employee data, minutes of meetings). b. Research involving access to personal data (e.g. personnel records or confidential information). c. Research involving deviation from standard or routine clinical practice, outside of current guidelines. d. Research involving the potential for adverse impact on employment, social or financial standing. e. Research recruiting students by virtue of their attendance on specific programmes or modules. f. Research involving health and safety risks to the researchers over and above that of their normal working life. g. Research involving potentially sensitive topics (such as participants' sexual behaviour; their legal or political behaviour; their experience of violence; their gender or ethnic status). h. Potential for 'labelling' by the researcher or participant (e.g. 'I am stupid'). i. Potential for psychological distress, anxiety, humiliation or pain greater than that of normal life for the participant. j. Covert research practices.
Following submission of a high risk application, your application will be reviewed at the next Senate Research Ethics Committee meeting. (Note that you the deadline for applications to Senate Research Ethics Committee is 10 working days before the scheduled meeting.) You will receive the outcome within 10 working days after the meeting.	Following submission of a medium risk application your application will be reviewed by a full REC in your School / Departmental.