

TOXICOLOGY FAQs



Q. Why should I come to Battelle for my toxicology studies?

A. Battelle offers a comprehensive suite of toxicology services, including general toxicology, inhalation toxicology, developmental and reproductive toxicology, neurotoxicology and integrated cardiovascular and pulmonary studies. With extensive experience in pre-clinical research and safety pharmacology as well as environmental and industrial toxicology, we can fulfill all of your study needs for FDA approval, OECD approval, or EPA regulatory requirements.

Most importantly, we partner with our clients to help solve their problems. In addition to standard studies, we have the scientific and engineering capabilities to develop and validate new methods or procedures to meet unique needs of your program.

Q. How is Battelle different from other contract research companies?

A. Battelle is not just a contract research organization! We are the largest not-for-profit research & development organization in the world. That means we are able to provide services to our clients that are not readily available from other organizations:

- We have access to deeper expertise across more disciplines than any other organization in the world. Battelle's work spans safety assessment of pharmaceuticals and vaccines, medical device engineering, agrochemical formulation, analytical chemistry, advanced data analytics, environmental and industrial exposures, advanced materials development, chemical and biological warfare defense, bioinformatics, public health, environmental remediation and practically any other scientific field you can think of. We can draw from the expertise of more than 20,000 scientists, engineers and technologists in 60 locations around the world to find the right solution for the problem at hand.
- We leverage experience gained through decades of independent commercial research, government contract work and management of U.S. national labs. We have the ability to go beyond standard testing protocols to develop novel solutions to unique problems.
- As a non-profit entity, we continually reinvest money back into our own independent research, STEM education, and the communities in which we and our clients operate through philanthropic support. Our researchers are not just following directions. They are leading the industry in development of novel methods and advancing scientific understanding of key questions in environmental toxicology, drug development, pharmaceutical and vaccine safety, safety pharmacology, occupational exposure and other related fields.

Q. Is Battelle a stable place to do my research?

A. Yes. Battelle was founded in 1929 and has over 40 years of experience in pre-clinical research and environmental and industrial toxicology. Because of our reputation and the opportunities we provide for original research, we attract and retain some of the best talent in the industry. We are pleased to have nationally and internationally known researchers on our staff. Many of our scientists, project managers and other key staff members have been with Battelle for a decade or longer.

Battelle continually reinvests in our most important assets, our staff and facilities. We are actively recruiting new talent to expand our capabilities in key areas such as neurotoxicology, developmental and reproductive toxicology, and cardiovascular and pulmonary toxicology.

Clients who come to Battelle can depend on a stable, experienced staff who are 100% focused on their research. This long-term stability allows us to nurture relationships among our staff and with our client organizations that result in higher quality work, a deeper understanding of client needs, and better opportunities for problem solving. Battelle is not subject to nor will it be part of the current trend of mergers and consolidation within our industry.

Q. Why is Battelle a better investment?

A. Battelle helps deliver higher value for an equivalent price than our competitors resulting in an increased return on our clients' investment. As a not-for-profit organization, our focus is not on quarterly returns for shareholders but on delivering high-value services for our clients and for the research community at large. Our prices are directly driven by the costs of providing the depth of talent and modern facilities and equipment necessary to deliver high-quality studies with accurate, scientifically sound data.

Our approach to study design and project management allows us to provide superior service and support at very competitive prices. In conjunction with our world-class researchers, we provide dedicated project management and support staff to ensure studies stay on track and budget. We work with clients to make sure we fully understand study requirements up front, so there are no surprises along the way.

Finally, we get it right the first time. We have a deep understanding of both the science and the regulatory requirements, so clients can be sure that studies done at Battelle will fully meet their needs—ultimately saving both time and money.

Q. Will my study get the attention it deserves?

A. Absolutely. We make building stable teams and long-term client relationships a priority, and this is reflected in the quality of our work. Our goal is to be a valued partner for the long haul.

Many of our clients come back to Battelle time and time again because they know that their priorities are our priorities. No project is too big or too small, and clients always have direct access to the scientists and technicians responsible for their studies. Over time, our people have become trusted members of our clients' research teams. These relationships allow us to build a deeper understanding of client needs and find ways to streamline and improve study designs.

In addition, our researchers work in a stable, supportive environment with all of the resources available to meet the needs of our clients. While acquisitions and consolidation have created a period of intense change and reorganization in the contract research industry, Battelle has remained stable.

Q. How do customers engage with Battelle?

A. Battelle can work with clients in a number of ways. For some clients, we simply act as a contract researcher to gather required data for a standard study. For others, we provide complete end-to-end service including study design, method development and validation, project management, data collection, data analysis, dossier preparation and submission and regulatory support.

How do I get started working with Battelle?

Contact us at 800.201.2011 or solutions@battelle.org. Our Client Services Representatives will put you in touch with the appropriate Study Director.

We assign a dedicated project manager to each project to perform needs analysis and ensure that studies are completed on time, on budget and to the required specifications. This allows our scientists to stay focused on the research while the project manager maintains communication and ensures study progress.

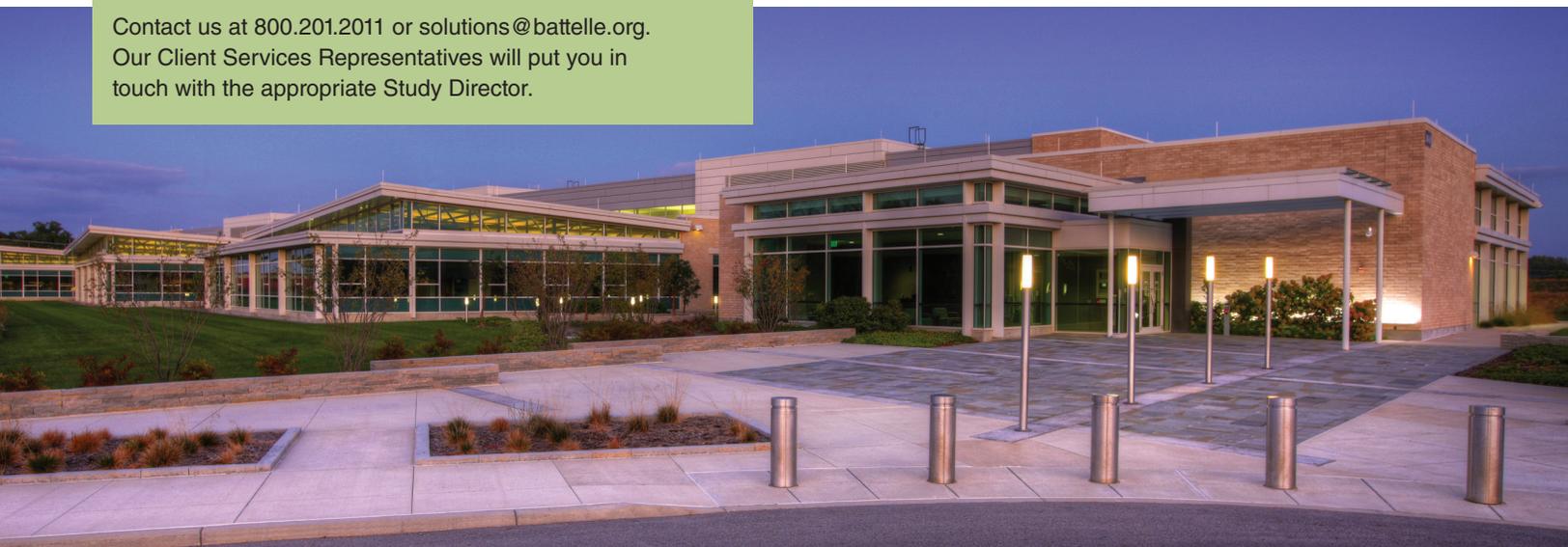
Q. What species can Battelle work with for toxicology studies?

A. Battelle has appropriate laboratory facilities for and experience with all common laboratory species, including rodents, rabbits, ferrets, guinea pigs, swine (miniature and full size), canines and non-human primates. Most general and inhalation toxicology studies can be performed using all laboratory species; some neurobehavioral, developmental and reproductive, cardiovascular and pulmonary toxicology studies are performed in rodent only or rodent and canine only.

Q. Do Battelle studies meet regulatory requirements?

A. Yes. Battelle has the appropriate facilities and experience to conduct studies under Good Laboratory Practice (GLP) conditions. Our GLP-compliant studies fully meet the requirements for regulatory approval by the FDA, EPA and international regulatory bodies.

We have extensive experience in conducting non-clinical testing of vaccines, drugs and biologics for FDA approval, as well as required toxicology studies for registration of agrochemicals, industrial chemicals and consumer products. In addition to providing data, we can offer regulatory support, including dossier preparation.



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