

## **The Qualified Scientist**

A Qualified Scientist should have earned a doctoral/professional degree in a scientific discipline that relates to the student's area of research. A PhD, MD or a master's degree with additional experience and expertise in the student's area of research is acceptable when approved by a Scientific Review Committee (SRC). The Qualified Scientist must be thoroughly familiar with local, state, and federal regulations that govern the student's area of research.

The Qualified Scientist and the Adult Sponsor may be the same person, if that person is qualified as described above. A student may work with a Qualified Scientist in a city, state or country that is not where the student resides. In this case, the student must work locally with a Designated Supervisor (see number 4) who has been trained in the techniques to be applied by the student.