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TEMPLE UNIVERSITY
INSTITUTIONAL BIOSAFETY COMMITTEE
IBC Meeting Minutes- Online Meeting
January 20, 2026 12:01 pm

Members

X	Black, Dr. Mark- Community Member
X	Bradley, Carlos- Community Member
X	Culmer-Butler, Dr. Dorian- Animal Containment Expert
X	Escalante, Dr. Ananias- Scientist
	Forste, Dr. Dawn- Animal Containment Expert
X	Gallo, Dr. Gianluca- Scientist
X	Lupinski, Gregory- EHRS Executive Director
X	Mobo, Dr. Ben Hur Jr.- Occupational Health Administrator
X	Moore, Claudia- IACUC Asst. Director
X	Murray, Krista- IBC Assistant Director
X	Pultro, Mary- IBC Sr. Coordinator
X	Sariyer, Dr. Ilker- IBC Vice-Chair, Scientist
X	Sawaya, Dr. Bassel- Scientist
X	Sulistijo, Dr. Endah- University Biosafety Officer
X	Tsygankov, Dr. Alexander- IBC Chair, Scientist
X	Whelan, Dr. Kelly- Scientist
	Wimmer, Dr. Mathieu- Scientist

X= Present

Quorum was met for this meeting.
All decisions were unanimous.

Guests
Baglia, Frank- Senior Health & Safety Specialist
Collyer, Eileen- Associate Health & Safety Specialist
Hao, Lanping- Associate Health & Safety Specialist
Khan, Sabina- Senior Health & Safety Specialist
Kidder, Abigail- IACUC Analyst
Slupianek, Dr. Artur- Senior Director of Research Regulatory Affairs
Wright, Simone- IBC Analyst

I. Announcements

None

II. Other Business

Dr. Sulistijo reported that the PI who is currently registered to perform Select Agent work has no plans to do work with them in the near future. In light of this, they have decided to modify the Select Agent registration from active use to agents in storage only. They will inform the committee when this registration amendment is complete.

III. Minutes Reviewed

Minutes from the December 16, 2026 meeting were reviewed. The motion to approve the minutes was made and approved unanimously.

IV. Protocols Reviewed

PI: Kishore, Raj	**Reg:** 10908	**Activity:** Amendment	**NIH:** III-D-1, 4; III-E-3	**BSL:** 2
Title: Cellular and Molecular Approaches for Cardiac and Vascular Repair				
Overview: Add human embryonic stem cells (hESC), for in vitro studies only. Addition of adenoviral vectors for down regulating SOX17 in vivo.				
Discussion: The IBC reviewed the procedures, containment level, facilities to be used, lab member training, containment procedures and work practices. Need agent summary for adenoviral vectors.				
Final Action: modifications required				

PI: Borriello, Lucia	**Reg.:** 11037	**Activity:** Amendment	**NIH:** III-D-3, 4; III-E-3	**BSL:** 2
Title: Understanding the Mechanisms of Metastasis				
Overview: Use of CRISPR knockouts in primary mouse fibroblasts and breast cancer cells to study mechanisms of breast cancer dormancy				
Discussion: The IBC reviewed the procedures, containment level, facilities to be used, lab member training, containment procedures and work practices.				
Final Action: approved				

PI: Rajadhyaksha, Anjali	**Reg.:** 11172	**Activity:** Amendment	**NIH:** III-D-4; III-E-3	**BSL:** 1
Title: The Neurobiological and Neurocircuitry Effects of Drugs of Abuse; Mouse Breeding Protocol				
Overview: Addition of in vivo strain. Addition of 2 AAVs for stereotaxic injection for behavioral evaluations.				
Discussion: The IBC reviewed the procedures, containment level, facilities to be used, lab member training, containment procedures and work practices.				
Final Action: approved				

PI: Thomas, Gareth	**Reg.:** 11291	**Activity:** Amendment	**NIH:** III-D-1, 2, 3; III-E-1	**BSL:** 2
Title: Roles of Palmitoylation in Nervous System Health and Disease				
Overview: Addition of two cDNA plasmids. One is for transient transfection of HEK293T cells to examine phosphorylation of TrkA and downstream signaling pathways. The other is for expression as a mitochondrial marker.				
Discussion: The IBC reviewed the procedures, containment level, facilities to be used, lab member training, containment procedures and work practices.				
Final Action: approved				

PI: Zhang, Huiliang	**Reg.:** 11259	**Activity:** Annual Renewal	**NIH:** III-D-3, 4; III-E-3	**BSL:** 2
Title: Mitochondrial Function and Aging				
Overview: Addition of cell line and lentiviral vectors to overexpress a Ca2+ indicator.				

Discussion: The IBC reviewed the procedures, containment level, facilities to be used, lab member training, containment procedures and work practices. Need to correct the room numbers for in vivo procedures. Need to add LVV propagation in house to the SOP 2.0 and indicate what cell system will be used for production.
Final Action: modifications required

V. Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the meeting was approved unanimously; the meeting adjourned at 12:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Krista Murray

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