

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY  
INSTITUTIONAL BIOSAFETY COMMITTEE  
IBC Meeting Minutes- Online Meeting  
February 17, 2026 12:01 pm

**Members**

	Black, Dr. Mark- Community Member
X	Bradley, Carlos- Community Member
X	Culmer-Butler, Dr. Dorian- Animal Containment Expert
X	Escalante, Dr. Ananias- Scientist
X	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
	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 Select Agent program registration has now been approved as storage only due to no plans to work with the agents in the near future.

Ms. Murray provided training for the IBC regarding the NIH initiative to modernize biosafety. The committee discussed the comments which have been provided to the NIH to date. The committee asked that the IBC office keep them updated as NIH releases draft documents.

III. Minutes Reviewed

Minutes from the January 20, 2026 meeting were reviewed. The motion to approve the minutes was made and approved unanimously.

IV. Protocols Reviewed

<b>PI:</b> Rothberg, Brad	<b>Reg.:</b> 11336	<b>Activity:</b> 6-Year Renewal	<b>NIH:</b> III-E-1	<b>BSL:</b> 1
<b>Title:</b> Ion Channel Regulation of ATP Homeostasis in Mycobacteria				
<b>Overview:</b> Study the structure of a mycobacterial K <sup>+</sup> channel, and identify its role in controlling ATP homeostasis.				
<b>Discussion:</b> The IBC reviewed the procedures, containment level, facilities to be used, lab member training, containment procedures and work practices. Need clarification on shipping and administrative modifications.				
<b>Final Action:</b> modifications required				

<b>PI:</b> Kutlu, Munir	<b>Reg.:</b> 11240	<b>Activity:</b> Amendment	<b>NIH:</b> III-D-4	<b>BSL:</b> 1
<b>Title:</b> Predicting Maladaptive Aversive Learning via Computational Modeling of Insular Single-Cell Ensemble Activity Patterns				
<b>Overview:</b> Addition of AAV with a calcium sensor for stereotaxic injections.				
<b>Discussion:</b> The IBC reviewed the procedures, containment level, facilities to be used, lab member training, containment procedures and work practices.				
<b>Final Action:</b> approved				

<b>PI:</b> Giovanniello, Jacqueline	<b>Reg.:</b> 11204	<b>Activity:</b> Amendment	<b>NIH:</b> III-D-4; III-E-3	<b>BSL:</b> 1
<b>Title:</b> Revealing the Neural Mechanisms of Striatal Control of Stress-Induced Habits in 16p11.2 Microdeletion Mice				
<b>Overview:</b> Addition of AAVs for stereotaxic injections to express calcium sensor.				
<b>Discussion:</b> The IBC reviewed the procedures, containment level, facilities to be used, lab member training, containment procedures and work practices. Need a statement clarifying change in location for stereotaxic injection				
<b>Final Action:</b> modifications required				

<b>PI:</b> Wimmer, Mathieu	<b>Reg.:</b> 11252	<b>Activity:</b> Amendment	<b>NIH:</b> III-D-4; III-E-1, 3	<b>BSL:</b> 1
<b>Title:</b> Epigenetic Mechanism of Addiction				
<b>Overview:</b> Addition of two AAVs for intracranial microinfusion.				
<b>Discussion:</b> The IBC reviewed the procedures, containment level, facilities to be used, lab member training, containment procedures and work practices.				
<b>Final Action:</b> approved				

<b>PI:</b> Williams, Kevin	<b>Reg.:</b> 10936	<b>Activity:</b> Amendment	<b>NIH:</b> III-D-4; III-E-3	<b>BSL:</b> 2
<b>Title:</b> Studies of Signaling, Macromolecular Assembly, and Catabolism				

<b>Overview:</b> Addition of adenoviral vector to silence genes of interest in insulin signaling pathways.
<b>Discussion:</b> The IBC reviewed the procedures, containment level, facilities to be used, lab member training, containment procedures and work practices.
<b>Final Action:</b> approved

V. Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the meeting was approved unanimously; the meeting adjourned at 12:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Krista Murray*

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