



Institutional Biosafety Committee

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order on 1/27/2026 at 11:30AM. A quorum was present. The meeting was held via Zoom and in-person (Melville Library – 5th Floor, Room W5530). The meeting was open.

Attendance

Voting Members Present:

Nicholas Carpino

Jeronimo Cello

Hwan Kim

Christopher Kuhlow

Dafang Wang

Non-Voting Attendees, Staff and Guests Present:

Lu-Ann Kozlowski

Aimee Minton

Natalie Osorio

Recording:

Erin Augello

Items

1. Meeting called to order at 11:30AM

2. Next meeting date and general announcements

The next meeting date is 2/24/2026. Dr. Carpino surveyed the assembled group to assess any conflict of interest or quorum issues. Members should recuse themselves and leave the room or Zoom meeting during the review of a study on which they have a conflict of interest.

3. Review of minutes from last meeting

Review type: Full Committee Review

Action: Approved

Effective date: 1/27/2026**Vote:** Total = 5; For = 5; Opposed = 0; Abstained = 0**4. Continuing reviews requiring IBC review**

This section was reviewed and noted by the committee.

5. New studies for committee review

This section was reviewed and noted by the committee.

6. Amendments requiring IBC review**a. AMEND202600004 continuing review amendment**

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| PI: | Michael Airola |
| Submission Type: | Amendment |
| Safety Review Type: | Biosafety |
| Funding: | None |
| Training: | PI and all laboratory staff have been trained |
| Applicable Section of the NIH Guidelines that the Research Falls Under | IIIF |
| Containment Conditions: | BSL-2 |

Determination: Approved**Modifications (If Applicable):**

i. In Section: Basic Information

Item 4. Please provide more experimental detail related to specific rsNAM work to be carried out.

ii. In Section: Funding resources

Please provide Sponsor's funding ID and Grant Office ID for those grants in which this information is missing.

iii. In Section: Recombinant or Synthetic Nucleic Acid Work Description

Item 1. The PI lists vectors that will be used and genes to be expressed, but the basic rsNAM work to be conducted is not described. Please briefly describe the proposed work involving manipulation of rsNAMs.

iv. In Section: Waste Management

Item 1. Please be advised, unless UV equipment is properly maintained (e.g. replacing UV bulb every 3 months), the use of UV radiation in the hood is no longer considered an effective method for decontamination.

Effective Date: 1/22/2026**Project Expiration:** 1/21/2027**Votes:**

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| For: | 5 |
| Against: | 0 |
| Recused: | 0 |

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| Absent: | 3 |
| Abstained: | 0 |

7. Review of incidents

None

8. Review of other agenda items

None

9. Inspection results

All inspections and responses were summarized by Mr. Kuhlow and reviewed and noted by the committee.

10. Discussion items/readings (major and minor points of order)

The committee discussed the need for a laboratory technician committee member and the requirements of the role. It was discussed that one of the members has the credentials to perform the function as laboratory technician. Members agreed that they all try and find an additional Laboratory technician candidate to fill the role on the committee. Additionally, the committee determined that the student representative would be a good addition to the membership.

11. Meeting adjourned at 12:18 PM