Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Institutional Biosafety Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 06/20/2025 Meeting Time: 2:00 PM
Meeting Location:

<u>Note</u>: The approved meeting minutes will be posted publicly per the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Office of Science Policy (OSP) requirement NOT-OD-25-082. All information on matters not covered by the NIH Guidelines for Research Involving Recombinant or Synthetic Nucleic Acid Molecules will be redacted as allowed in NOT-OD-25-082.

Call to Order:

The Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) met on 06/20/2025

The quorum required is 4. There were 6 voting members and 1 non-voting members present at the start of the meeting. Quorum was confirmed.

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 PM.

Mary Mantle entered at 2:03 pm, before any voting items were discussed, and increasing voting members present to 7.

Meeting Attendance:

Meeting Chair: Patrick Larkin, Ph.D.

Voting Full Board Members:

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Name	Scientific Status	Affiliation Status	Attended by Teleconference?	
Patrick Larkin, Ph.D. (Chair)	Scientific, rDNA expert	Affiliated	No	
Erica Filep, Ph.D. (Vice Chair)	Scientific, Kinesiology	Affiliated	Yes	
Jeffrey Turner, Ph.D.	Scientific, rDNA Expert and Animal Expert	Affiliated	Yes	
Harshkumar Bhakta, M.S.	Scientific, EHS	Affiliated	Yes	
Jonda Halcomb, Ph.D.	Scientific, Community Member	Non-affiliated	Yes	
Mary Mantle, R.EEG T, REP T. CMEG	Scientific, Community Member	Non-affiliated	Yes	
Lee Lehman, M.S.	Scientific, Plant Expert	Affiliated	Yes	

Voting Alternate Members: None

Non-voting Members in Attendance:

Name	Scientific Status	Affiliation Status	Attended by Teleconference?
Boram Lim, Ph.D.	Scientific, Kinesiology	Affiliated	Yes

Members attending by teleconference were confirmed as able to actively participate.

Full Board Members Absent: None.

IBC Staff: John Scarpa, PhD

Guests: Yessenia Morris (Veterinary Medical Technology) from community.

I. Conflict of Interest

Members are reminded to disclose any conflict of interest related to any of the items on the agenda. The Chair called for any disclosures of conflict of interest. No conflicts were declared.

II. Minutes

Minutes from the March 28, 2025, meeting were reviewed.

The Chair invited additional comments, questions, and/or concerns. Having none, the motion to approve the meeting minutes was made, seconded, and carried.

Vote Count	Vote Type	Comments
7	For	
0	Against	
0	Abstain	
0	Conflict of Interest	
0	Not present for Vote	

III. Old Business

None.

IV. New Business

Chair:

A) The Chair noted to the committee the Chair approvals of annual reviews and amendments since last meeting.



C) Yessenia Morris, potential member, was introduced to committee. She is a licensed veterinary technician. She will be a non-affiliated community member and animal expert.

<u>EHS</u>: The biosafety cabinet (BSC) annual inspection has been completed. New expiration date for all BSC is June 13, 2026.

Other:

A)

B) Coordinator noted that the NIH NOT-OD-25-082 implementation goes into effect with this meeting. IBC rosters will be publicly available at the NIH RMS site. V. New Studies None. VI. Tabled Studies None. VII. De Novo Reviews None. VIII. Annual Reviews None. IX. Amendments None. X. Reportable Events



The incident is not reportable to NIH, Office of Science Policy.

XI. Lab Inspections

None.

XII. Chair Review







Study Number: TAMU-CC-IBC-2023-0019

Study Title: Storage Protocol Principal Investigator: Ioana Pavel, PhD

Outcome: Approved
Initial Approval: 09/11/2023
Expiration Date: 04/21/2026
Full Renewal Date: 08/24/2026
Biosafety Level: BSL-2

III-F: Use of recombinant or synthetic nucleic acid molecules for detection

NIH Guidelines: (e.g. probes), III-E, III-F: Expression of recombinant or synthetic nucleic

acid molecules in cultured cells

Agents Used: BL21(DE3)pLysS competent cells, Bacteria, Human cell lines.

Approval Date 04/21/2025





XIII. Miscellaneous None.

XIV. Closing Comments

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 PM.