

University of Wisconsin-Madison Institutional Biosafety Committee

Minutes of Regular Meeting Open Session

Date: 3/18/2026

Present: Peter Halfmann, Dennis Halterman, Donna Neumann, Andrea Ladd, Warren Rose, Amita Kapoor, Andy Attwood, Marta Gaglia, Garret Suen, Andrew Jefcoat, Clint Morgan, Ryan Behrens, Sabine Pellett

Consultants: Jennifer Wang, Quin Koehl

OBS: Karen Demick, Andrea Ladd, Louise Meske, Tara Schnell, Megan Dixon, Kathy Krasny, Quin Koehl

Guests:

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Garret Suen, at Zoom at 1:30 pm

Announcements: The IBC meeting is open to the public.

Other business - open session

- **Agenda Items - Documents For Open Session:**

Review of research protocols - open session

❓ **B00001247**

Announcements

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The meeting adjourned 1:44 pm

- **Bio Protocol Number: B00001247**

PI Name: [REDACTED]

Protocol Title: Identifying immune responses to viral and host antigens - Elements

Motion: IBC approved with contingencies (protocol must go back to IBC reviewers)

Motion Made By: Ryan Behrens

Motion Seconded By: Marta Gaglia

Committee Action: Adopted unanimously by voice vote

Nay Votes, Abstentions, Absentees:

Biosafety Level: BSL2; BSL2; BSL2; BSL2; BSL2; ABSL2; BSL2, Other - BSL2+; BSL2; ABSL2; BSL2; ABSL2; ABSL2; BSL2; ABSL2; BSL2; BSL2; ABSL2; ABSL2; BSL2; ABSL2; ABSL2; ABSL2; ABSL2; BSL2 - BSL2+; BSL2; ABSL2; ABSL2; BSL2; BSL2, Other - BSL2+; BSL2; BSL2; BSL2; BSL2; BSL2; BSL2; BSL2; BSL2;

Containment Equipment: Biological safety cabinet (BSC); Not applicable; Not applicable; Chemical fume hood; Biological safety cabinet (BSC); Biological safety cabinet (BSC); Biological safety cabinet (BSC); Biological safety cabinet (BSC); Not applicable; Biological safety cabinet (BSC); Not applicable; Biological safety cabinet (BSC); Not applicable; Biological safety cabinet (BSC); Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Biological safety cabinet (BSC); Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable; Biological safety cabinet (BSC); Biological safety cabinet (BSC); Other - biobubble; Chemical fume hood; Not applicable; Not applicable; Not applicable;

Committee Review: The IBC has reviewed the locations, activities, and agents involved in the proposed work. The IBC considered agent characteristics including but not limited to pathogenicity, stability, and source and nature of recombinant and synthetic nucleic acids and their expressed products, as applicable.

Facilities: Facilities meet standards set by the IBC or additional controls are used effectively to mitigate risk caused by deviation from the standards.

Required Institutional Training: The PI and laboratory staff have completed required institutional biosafety training.

Lab-specific Training and Expertise: The training and expertise of personnel involved in the conduct of research meets standards set by the IBC.

PPE, Controls, and Practices: The PPE, engineering controls, and administrative controls deviate from the standards set by the IBC for the proposed materials and activities. Revisions are required for approval.

NIH Guidelines Requirements: Proposed work meets the requirements set forth in the NIH Guidelines.

Administrative: Administrative revisions are required for approval (e.g., reorganizing information, removing extraneous text, correcting typos, spelling out acronyms).

NIH Guidelines: (III-D-4-b); (III-D-2-a); (III-D-4)(III-D-4-a)(III-D-1-a)(III-D-1-b)(III-D-4-b); (III-D-4-a)(III-D-4-b); (III-D-1-a) (III-D-1-b); (III-E); (III-E-1); (III-F-8); (III-F-1);

Summary of IBC Review: This is a continuation of the IBC discussion from the 03/04/2026 meeting. This is a new protocol. The laboratory focuses on identifying immune responses to viral and host antigens. IBC General Discussion: GIDL (AVRL

move to Element Labs) lab: Multiple labs/protocols will have shared BSL2+ lab manuals & collaborations. IBC discussed sharps handling, signage, autoclave inactivation, procedure space designation, waste disposal, PPE usage, containment practices and coordination of training for WRNPC staff.