



MIDWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Institutional Biosafety Committee

555 31st Street

Downers Grove IL 60515

Phone: 630/969-4400

Meeting Minutes

Date: November 15, 2022

Time: 2:01 PM – 2:26 PM Central / 12:01 PM – 12:27 PM Pacific

Location: Remote via Microsoft Teams

Members Present: Stephen Libby (IBC Chair), Brian Wellensiek (Biosafety Officer, Glendale), Richard Laddaga (Biosafety Officer, Downers Grove), Karolina Klosowska, Marilyn Lamm, Kathleen Kennedy, and Luigi Strizzi.

Guests Present: None.

Staff Present: Nicholas Cronk

Members Excused: Jason Struthers, Allen Helm, and Leon Igras.

Commonly Used Abbreviations

IBC: Institutional Biosafety Committee

BSO: Biological Safety Officer

BSL: Biosafety Level

PI: Principal Investigator

IACUC: Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee

NIH: National Institutes of Health

SOP: Standard Operating Procedure

1. **Call to Order:** The Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) Chair called the meeting to order at 2:01 PM CST / 12:01 PM PST. A quorum was present.
2. **Member Conflicts:** The IBC Chair reminded attendees that any notes that they retain are subject to public disclosure. A statement was also made about conflict of interest and voting on research proposals as described in the IBC Charter. This includes sharing a grant or a familial relationship.
3. **Review of Previous Minutes:** September 20, 2022 IBC Meeting Minutes. The committee voted 5 yes; 0 no; 2 abstained to approve the previous meeting's minutes.

4. **Old Business:**

IBC rsNA Applications:

Downers Grove, IL Campus

- Dr. Shaifali Bhalla, MWU File #IL-14, "Testing G-Protein Coupled Receptors (mu Opioid Receptors)."
 - The requested clarifications were received and reviewed by the Chair. The rsNA Application was Approved on 9/22/22.

5. **New Business:** None.

6. **IBC rsNA Applications:**

Downers Grove, IL Campus

- Dr. Sinju Sundaresan, MWU File #IL-15, "Targeting Mitochondrial Metabolism for enhanced stemness of Intestinal Stem Cells (ISCs) during aging."
 - The IBC Chair presented the review.
 - The Primary Reviewer Form was shown.
 - All the required trainings have been completed.
 - The IBC Chair made a motion to approve the IBC rsNA Application.
 - The Committee voted unanimously to approve the IBC rsNA Change Form from Dr. Sundaresan.