



MIDWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Institutional Biosafety Committee

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Meeting Minutes

Date: September 20, 2022

Time: 2:01 PM – 2:57 PM Central / 12:01 PM – 12:57 PM Pacific

Location: Remote via Microsoft Teams

Members Present: Stephen Libby (IBC Chair), Brian Wellensiek (Biosafety Officer, Glendale), Karolina Klosowska, Jason Struthers, Allen Helm, Marilyn Lamm, Kathleen Kennedy, and Leon Igras.

Guests Present: Adebayo Molehin

Staff Present: Nicholas Cronk

Members Excused: Richard Laddaga (Biosafety Officer, Downers Grove) and Luigi Strizzi.

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:** July 19, 2022 IBC Meeting Minutes. The committee voted 6 yes; 0 no; 2 abstained to approve the previous meeting's minutes.
4. **Old Business:** None.
5. **New Business:** None.
6. **IBC rsNA Change Forms:**

Glendale, AZ Campus

- Dr. Adebayo Molehin, MWU File #AZ-26, "Characterization of serine protease inhibitors from *Schistosoma* species as targets for public health intervention."
 - Change #1.
 - The IBC Chair presented the review.
 - The Primary Reviewer Form was shown.
 - Dr. Molehin was present to answer questions from the committee. The committee had questions about the handling of *Schistosoma* species during the infective stage of their lifecycle, the shipping of the *Schistosoma* species, and how mice and hamsters were infected.
 - Dr. Molehin left the meeting before a vote was taken.
 - 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. Molehin.

7. **IBC rsNA Applications:**

Downers Grove, Illinois Campus

- Dr. Shaifali Bhalla, MWU File #IL-14, "Testing G-Protein Coupled Receptors (mu Opioid Receptors)."
 - 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 pending changes to questions 2 and 19 and to complete questions 28-32.

- The Committee voted unanimously to approve the IBC rsNA Change Form from Dr. Bhalla pending the items above.