

IBC Meeting Minutes

Cleveland Clinic Florida Research and Innovation Center

Date: August 20 th , 2026	Location: Zoom
IBC Member Attendance: ☒ McDonald, Christine (IBC Chair) ☒ Li, Kun ☒ Such, Kimberly ☒ Champer, Dylan (Biosafety Officer) ☒ Hajjar, Adeline ☒ Judd, Leslie ☒ Tavakoli, Sara ☒ O'Connor, Christine ☒ Doud, Melissa ☐ Stolley, Michael <i>Guests: Amanda Dragan *, Anna Rietsch *, Anthony Santilli*, Nikki Meyer*, Abby Bifano</i> <i>*Cleveland Clinic Main Campus</i>	
Call To Order: 2:32 pm	Adjourn: 2:53 pm

I. Review of July 16th, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Committee Comments: None			
Motion: Approved with Administrative Revisions	For: 9	Against: 0	Abstain: 0

II. Administrative Business

- a. Committee presented with Subcommittee Review items, personnel additions, and updates to programmatic SOPs
- b. Lab Audits: Members were presented with and informed of Annual Lab Audits and Preliminary Audits occurring during the month of August 2026. No major deficiencies identified.
- c. Inventory Audit: Members were presented with a status update of the BSL-3 inventory audit conducted on June 26th, 2026

III. Non-Clinical Research:

a. Amendments:

Basic Research Amendment # 1	Protocol ID: FLIBC001	PI: Gack	Biosafety Level: BSL-1, BSL-2, BSL-2+, ABSL-2	NIH Cat.: III-D-1-a, III-D-2-a, III-D-3-a, III-D-4- b, III-D-7, III-E
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Project Titles: Regulation of Host Antiviral Innate Immunity					
Associated Grant Numbers: NIH (2023): 5DP1AI169444-03, 5R01 AI148534-04, 5R01 AI165502-03, 5 R37 AI087846-14, 1 R21 AI174534-01A1 ; Non-NIH Funding					
Summary of Approved Items: Propagation of recombinant and non-recombinant viruses, transduction of tissue culture cells, administration of viruses and viral transduced cells <i>in vivo</i> ; Generation and propagation of recombinant and wild type SARS-CoV-2 virus, infection of cell lines and experimental analyses, administration of recombinant and wild type SARS-CoV-2 virus <i>in vivo</i> ; Human-derived materials.					
Requested Additions/Changes: Addition of Stereotaxic device for <i>in vivo</i> procedures					
Function/Nature of Recombinant Genes to be Expressed: ☒ N/A ☐ Oncogene ☐ Tumor Suppressor Gene ☐ Structural ☐ Signaling ☐ Antimicrobial ☐ Immunomodulatory ☐ Toxin ☐ Antibiotic Resistance ☐ Reporters ☐ Other					
Species of Recombinant Genes to be Expressed: ☒ N/A ☐ Human ☐ Murine ☐ Rat ☐ Bacterial ☐ Viral ☐ Other					
Risk Assessment Discussion: ☒ Yes ☐ No			Facilities, Procedures, and Safety Practices Reviewed (Y/N): ☒ Yes ☐ No		
Discussion/Required Modifications: Administrative edits					
PI/Supervisor Training (Y/N): ☒ Yes ☐ No			Handler Training (Y/N): ☒ Yes ☐ No		
Motion: Approved with Administrative Revisions	For: 9	Against: 0	Abstain: 0	Recuse: 0	Not Present: 0

Basic Research Amendment # 2	Protocol ID: FLIBC024	PI: Li	Biosafety Level: BSL-3, ABSL-3	NIH Cat.: III-D-1-b, III-D-4-b
Project Titles: High Containment Core Service				
Associated Grant Numbers: Non-NIH Funding				
Summary of Approved Items:				

Acquisition and propagation of non-recombinant human SARS-CoV-2 strain, MPox (Clade IIb) and recombinant mouse adapted SARS-CoV-2 strain, <i>in vivo</i> administration of SARS-CoV2 and mouse adapted SARS-CoV-2; Non-recombinant Chikungunya Virus (CHIKV) strain (BEI NR-36432) and non-recombinant MERS-CoV and mouse adapted strain for screening of antiviral drugs and molecules; Propagation of Hantaan virus; Human derived materials.					
Requested Additions/Changes: Addition of Hantaan virus for in vitro experiments					
Function/Nature of Recombinant Genes to be Expressed: ☒ N/A ☐ Oncogene ☐ Tumor Suppressor Gene ☐ Structural ☐ Signaling ☐ Antimicrobial ☐ Immunomodulatory ☐ Toxin ☐ Antibiotic Resistance ☐ Reporters ☐ Other					
Species of Recombinant Genes to be Expressed: ☒ N/A ☐ Human ☐ Murine ☐ Rat ☐ Bacterial ☐ Viral ☐ Other					
Risk Assessment Discussion: ☒ Yes ☐ No			Facilities, Procedures, and Safety Practices Reviewed (Y/N): ☒ Yes ☐ No		
Discussion/Required Modifications: None					
PI/Supervisor Training (Y/N): ☒ Yes ☐ No			Handler Training (Y/N): ☒ Yes ☐ No		
Motion: Approved	For: 9	Against: 0	Abstain: 0	Recuse: 0	Not Present: 0