

Institutional Biosafety Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Date: August 5, 2025 Call to order: 1:18 PM (PDT)

Location: MS Teams

Voting members

Member Name	Role	Attendance	
	IBC Chair	+	
	Corporate BSO	+	
	NM Site BSO	+	
	Committee Member	Was 15 mins late	
	Committee Member	+	
	Committee Member	Absent	
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The IBC Chair opened the meeting 18 minutes past the scheduled 1:00 p.m. PDT start time and confirmed quorum once it was achieved.

Review of Previous Minutes

Motion: ⊠Approve □Approve with Modifications □Table □Disapprove

Vote Count: Yes: _6_ | No: ___ | Abstain: 2





PROTOCOL REVIEWS
1:05 PM 2026-08-01-DJ - Medical Countermeasures for Biothreat Viruses Action: Renewal Work Planner: Presenter: Containment: BSL2 NIH Guidelines: III-D, III-E-1
The protocol was reviewed, and the following modifications/contingencies have been requested:
 Obtain documentation confirming that DURC review is in progress and record evidence of this approval in the IBCPR. In the DURC section, select "Yes" for "Alter the host range or tropism of a pathogen".
Motion: ⊠Approve □Approve with Modifications □Table □Disapprove Vote Count: Yes: _7 No: Abstain: Conflict of Interest Noted: □Yes ⊠No
1:20 PM 2026-08-04-DM-TMCMB - Tailoring Microbial Communities to Maximize Biogas Production from Chemically-Treated Digestate Action: Renewal Work Planner: Presenter: Containment: BSL2 NIH Guidelines: N/A
The protocol was reviewed, and no updates were requested.
Motion: ⊠Approve □Approve with Modifications □Table □Disapprove Vote Count: Yes: _7 No: Abstain: Conflict of Interest Noted: □Yes ⊠No
1:30 PM 2026-08-05-GB - Materials degradation and corrosion by microbes Action: New Work Planner: Presenter: Containment: BSL2 NIH Guidelines: N/A
The protocol was reviewed as new due to significant content changes, correcting RG for Aspergillus niger and flavus to RG2 and the protocol containment change to BSL2; no additional edits were requested.
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1:50 PM
2026-08-06-BM - Microfluidic platform for multiplxed diagnostics
Action: Renewal
Work Planner:
Presenter:
Containment: BSL2
NIH Guidelines: N/A
The protocol was reviewed, and no updates were requested.
Motion: ⊠Approve □Approve with Modifications □Table □Disapprove
Vote Count: Yes: _7 No: Abstain:

Conflict of Interest Noted: □Yes ⊠No
2.00 DNA
2:00 PM
2026-09-13-JS - Rapid Optimization of Lipid-Coated Mesoporous Silica Nanoparticles for Transport across the
Blood-Brain-Barrier
Action: Renewal
Work Planner:
Presenter:
Containment: BSL2
NIH Guidelines: N/A
The protocol was reviewed, and the following modifications/contingencies have been requested:
1. Section A: Update bacteria to be handled as per Work Outline.
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Conflict of Interest Noted: □Yes ⊠No
2:10 PM
2026-09-13-ON - Predicting Host-Pathogen Interaction Networks to Accelerate Development & Effective
Use of Host-Directed Countermeasures
Action: Renewal
Work Planner:
Presenter:
Containment: BSL2
NIH Guidelines: III-D, III-E-1
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The protocol was reviewed, with discussion centering on the concentration of viruses and how "high concentration" should be defined for different agents. The BMBL strongly recommends that work with high concentrations of BSL-2 arenaviruses be done at BSL-3. One committee recommendation was to consider substituting ultracentrifugation with diafiltration as a lower-risk alternative. The committee requested the following modifications and contingencies:

1. Reassess the definition of "high concentration" for all arenaviruses and their constructs.





- 2. Obtain documentation confirming that DURC review is in progress and record evidence of this approval in the IBCPR.
- 3. In the DURC section, select "Yes" for "Alter the host range or tropism of a pathogen".

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The protocol was reviewed, and the following modifications/contingencies have been requested:
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2:30 PM 2026-10-04-RK - CRISPR component characterization using multi-omics (C3omics) Action: New Work Planner: Presenter: Containment: BSL2 NIH Guidelines: III-D
The protocol was reviewed, and no updates were requested.
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2:50 PM 2026-08-04-AA - Bioremediation Technologies Action: Renewal Work Planner: Presenter: Containment: BSL2 NIH Guidelines: N/A

The protocol was reviewed, and no updates were requested.





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Conflict of Interest Noted: \square Yes \boxtimes No

Meeting adjourned at 2:33 PM PDT

Next Meeting: September 2, 2025