MINUTES FOR THE BIOSAFETY COMMITTEE

Friday June 13, 2025 TEAMS Meeting 2:30pm

PRESENT: Hong Sun Ph.D., Chairman, Biosafety Committee
Arrigo "Ricky" De Benedetti, Ph.D., Vice–Chairman

Jessica Esparza, Ph.D.
Monica Cartelle Gestal, Ph.D.
Sarah Harold, B.S., Coordinator
Hugh Price, DVM
Christopher Schmoutz, Ph.D.
Michael Stroud, B.S., Director of Safety
Omar Franco, M.D., Ph.D.
Hongyan Guo, Ph.D.
Seong Kim, Ph.D.
Krista Rodgers, Ph.D.
Xinggui Shen, Ph.D.
Guest: Demonzo Mcginnis, B.S., Biosafety Officer

ABSENT:

Rebecca Murphy, Ph.D.
Kevin Murnane, Ph.D.
Valerie White (OSPTT) Ex-Officio

I. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** The meeting called to order at 2:30pm with a quorum of 12 voting members.

II. **Approval of Minutes from the previous meeting.**
May 8, 2025 Minutes.

III. **NEW PROTOCOLS TO BE CONSIDERED:**
B25-006 – BSL3 Microbiology – IMMUNOMETABOLIC DRIVERS OF TUBERCULOSIS PATHOGENESIS.
PI responded to the BSL3 subcommittee's comments. The subcommittee approved the protocol revisions which will now be reviewed by IBC. IBC voted to TABLE the protocol requesting more time to review the protocol, new BSL3 safety manual, and SOP's.

IV. **CONTINGENT APPROVALS:** The following protocols were reviewed by the BSL3 Subcommittee:

A. **B25-007 – BSL3 Microbiology** – MOLECULAR PATHOGENESIS, IMMUNITY, AND ECOLOGY OF ARTHROPOD-BORNE BSL3 VIRUSES. To date there has been no response from either of the PI's.
B. B25-010 **– BSL3 Microbiology** – Virology
The PI has submitted a protocol
that was reviewed by the BSL3 subcommittee. The subcommittee determined MODIFICATIONS REQUIRED by unanimous vote with a quorum present.

The Subcommittee determined **CONTINGENT APPROVAL** with Modifications Required for both BSL3 protocols by unanimous vote.

V. **TERMINATIONS: B25-001 –** EVALUATION OF A MONITORING SYSTEM FOR VENTRICULAR AND LUMBAR DRAINS IN A SWINE MODEL. SRF is closed until further notice.

VI. **Old Business:** None

VII. **NEW BUSINESS:**
The committee determined the following by unanimous vote:
A. B18-001 – Modification: Protocol Transfer Research Core – APPROVED
B. SOP's for the BRI BSL3 Space – TABLED
C. BRI BSL3 Lab Biosafety Manual – TABLED

VIII. **ANNUAL RENEWALS:** Fully approved by unanimous vote:
B02-007 – Pathology
B20-004 – Microbiology
B20-006 – Physiology

IX. **NON-RESPONDER ANNUAL RENEWALS:** None

X. **ADD/DELETE MEMOS:** All listed completed training and were approved by unanimous vote unless indicated. Contingent until complete.

B15-003 – Pharmacology graduate student
B20-007 – Pharmacology graduate student and a medical student
B22-012 – Pathology graduate student
B22-003 – Neurosurgery medical student
B25-003 – Microbiology graduate student

XI. **Contingent ADD MEMOS:** None

Adjourn: Friday June 13, 2025 3:30pm

Respectfully submitted:

Sarah Harold
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Sarah Harold, B.S., Coordinator

Approved:
Arrigo De Benedetti
Arrigo De Benedetti (Jul 24, 2025 12:42:20 CDT)
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Arrigo DeBenedetti, Ph.D.
Chairman, Biosafety Committee

2. Minutes June 13, 2025

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