



IBC Meeting Minutes
Date: August 19, 2026
Location: Conf. Room 2101/2102

Voting Members Present (9):

Michael Henderson, Ph.D. (Chair)
Glen Alberts, B.S.
Pamela Bartlett, B.S.
Scott Bechaz, ILAM, RLATg
Craig Bickel, M.Div.
Nicholas Burton, Ph.D.
Angie Jason (non-voting)
Lauren Miedema, B.S., MPH
Sam Pinto, B.S. (Vice Chair)
Jennifer Steiner, Ph.D.

Voting Members Excused (1):

Rachael Sheridan, Ph.D.

Christy Goss (guest)
Matthew Donahue, MBA (guest)

Call to Order

Michael Henderson called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

Meeting Minutes – Minutes from the IBC meeting on 05/13/26 were approved unanimously.

Vote: (9 Total) 9 Approve 0 Disapprove 0 Abstain 0 Recuse

Protocol Reviews

A. Reference #26-0078 – 3 Year Re-Write – Russell Jones, Ph.D.

“DNA plasmids for T cell exhaustion and memory during chronic infection”

Primary Reviewer: Glen Alberts

The purpose of this protocol is to understand mechanisms of anti-tumor immunity and plan studies to mechanistically understand the metabolic pathways that underlie T cell function. The members determined that the proposed study procedures, practices and the training and expertise of the personnel who will be conducting the study are appropriate, but the following clarifications must be provided.

1. General Information – The investigator was asked to use the sign template provided by EHS.

2. Training – The investigator was asked to ensure all personnel complete proper training.
3. Project Category – The investigator was asked to clarify how Cas9 is being delivered and if transduced/edited T cells will go into animals.

Applicable section of the *NIH Guidelines* the research falls under: Section III-D-1.

Risk Group: 2

Containment Level: BSL2

Location Assessment: 4115W and 4114W, mouse rooms: 2009-C and 2135

Action: Modifications to secure approval.

Vote: (9 Total) 9 Approve 0 Disapprove 0 Abstain 0 Recuse

B. Reference #26-0092 – 3 Year Re-Write – Michael Henderson, Ph.D.

“Cell and animal models of neurodegenerative disease 3.0

Primary Reviewer: Michael Henderson

The purpose of this protocol is to understand neurodegenerative diseases like Parkinson's and Alzheimer's through use of cell culture and animal models of disease. We will overexpress or knock down genes in pathways involved in these diseases to understand their impact. The members determined that the proposed study procedures, practices and the training and expertise of the personnel who will be conducting the study are appropriate.

Mike Henderson was recused, Sam Pinto assumed Chair

Applicable section of the *NIH Guidelines* the research falls under: Section III-D-1.

Risk Group: 2

Containment Level: BSL2

Location Assessment: Cell culture: 3108W, 3112W, 3116W, Animal models: Vivarium 2048 (housing), 2032 (surgery)

Action: Approved.

Vote: (9 Total) 8 Approve 0 Disapprove 0 Abstain 1 Recuse

Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 am