

MINUTES OF THE 247th MEETING OF THE REVIEW COMMITTEE ON GENETIC MANIPULATION (RCGM) HELD ON 14.12.2022 BY VIDEO CONFERENCING

The Chairman-RCGM extended a formal welcome to the members of the RCGM for the 247th meeting and initiated the process of the meeting. The list of participants is given at Annexure-I.

2. The Committee adopted the minutes and recommendations of the 246th meeting of the RCGM held on 30.11.2022.
3. On action taken report, the Co-member Secretary informed that during the 246th meeting of the RCGM, a total of 18 applications including information items were considered and the Secretariat is in the process of issuing requisite permit letters based on the recommendations of the RCGM.

4. Proposals considered

4.1 Applications in the area of pharmaceuticals

The Committee considered applications to import novel oral polio virus type 2, Rickettsial strains; to receive and transfer recombinant protein of MERS and SARS-CoV-1 RBD, recombinant protein based subunit vaccine against SARS-CoV-2; to conduct pre-clinical toxicity studies on human Papillomavirus quadrivalent VLP based vaccine, Aflibercept biosimilar, Pertuzumab biosimilar; pre-clinical toxicity study report on live attenuated recombinant SARS-CoV-2 vaccine, anti-CD-19 CAR-T cell therapy product; request regarding withdrawal of the revised application to conduct preclinical toxicity studies on Trastuzumab Hyaluronidase biosimilar. After deliberation on each application including information items, appropriate decisions were taken by the RCGM.

4.2 Applications in the area of Agriculture

The Committee considered information items and appropriate decision were taken by the RCGM.

5. IBSC Reports

The Committee considered minutes submitted by fourteen IBSCs, seven annual compliance reports and nil medical surveillance report, and appropriate decisions were taken by the RCGM.

No other transaction took place and the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair and members

The Minutes are approved.



(Prof. Y.K. Gupta)
Chairman, RCGM

Annexure-I

List of Participants:		
1.	Prof. Y.K. Gupta, Former Professor, AIIMS, New Delhi; President AIIMS, Bhopal &, AIIMS, Jammu	Chairman
2.	Dr. Ramesh Sonti, Professor & Chair, Biology and Dean Faculty, Indian Institute of Science Education & Research, Tirupati	Co-Chair (Agri)
3.	Dr. Arvind Sahu, Scientist 'G', The National Centre for Cell Science (NCCS), Pune	Co-Chair (Biopharma)
4.	Dr. Neelam S. Sangwan, Professor (Biochemistry), Central University of Haryana, Mahendergarh	Member
5.	Dr. Chandish R. Ballal, Former Director, National Bureau of Agricultural Insect Resources, Bengaluru	Member
6.	Dr. S. N. Sudhakar Babu, Former Head, Crop Production & Principle Scientist (Agronomy), ICAR-Indian Institute of Oil Seed Research, Hyderabad	Member
7.	Dr. P. V. Mohanan, Scientist 'G', SCTIMST, Thiruvananthapuram	Member
8.	Dr. Ritu Aggarwal, Professor, Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research, Chandigarh	Member
9.	Dr. Asha Chaubey, Sr. Principal Scientist & Head of Fermentation Technology Division, CSIR-IIIM, Jammu	Member
10.	Dr. A.B. Pant, Senior Principal Scientist, CSIR-Indian Institute of Toxicology Research, Lucknow	Member
11.	Dr. Chinnusamy Viswanathan, Joint Director (Research), ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi. Nominee-ICAR	Member
12.	Dr. Rubina Bose, Deputy Drugs Controller (India), CDSCO. Nominee/Representative – CDSCO	Member
13.	Sh. Jayant Ganga Khedkar, Astd. Drugs Controller (India), CDSCO. Nominee/Representative – CDSCO	Member
14.	Sh. Rajappan Viswanathan, Astd. Drugs Controller (India), CDSCO. Nominee/Representative – CDSCO	Member
15.	Dr. Arvind Kumar, Ministry of Home Affairs. Nominee - Ministry of Home Affairs	Member
16.	Dr. Anant Narayan Bhatt, Institute of Nuclear Medicine and Allied Sciences (INMAS). Nominee - Defence Research and Development Organization	Member
17.	Dr. Sangeeta Agarrwal, CSO, BSU, New Delhi	Special Invitee
18.	Dr. Gandharva Nagpal, Scientist 'C', DBT, New Delhi	Co-Member Secretary
Biosafety Support Unit:		
19.	Dr. Poonam Vishwakarma, Scientist	
20.	Dr. Govind Kumar Rai, Scientist	
21.	Dr. Reema Sharma, Scientist	
22.	Dr. Manpreet Kaur, Scientist	
Others:		
23.	Dr. Ramesh Matur, M/s. Biological E. Limited, Telangana	

24.	Dr. Rajendar Burki, M/s. Biological E. Limited, Telangana
25.	Dr. Veerapandu Sangareddy, M/s. Biological E. Limited, Telangana
26.	Dr. Vivek Kandimalla, M/s. Biological E. Limited, Telangana
27.	Mr. Varma Bhupathiraju, M/s. Biological E. Limited, Telangana
28.	Dr. Ramnath RL, M/s. Reliance Life Sciences Pvt. Ltd., Navi Mumbai

