

MINUTES OF THE 260th MEETING OF THE REVIEW COMMITTEE ON GENETIC MANIPULATION (RCGM) HELD ON 14.06.2023 BY VIDEO CONFERENCING (GO TO MEETING)

The Chairman-RCGM extended a formal welcome to the members of the RCGM for the 260th 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 259th meeting of the RCGM held on 31.05.2023.

3. On action taken report, the Member-Secretary informed that during the 259th meeting of the RCGM, a total of 23 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 the applications to import strains of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, CD307e CAR LV plasmids and LV, CD20 CAR LV plasmids and LV, β -globin gene LV plasmid and LV, CD19.CD20 CAR LV plasmids and LV, multispecific CAR plasmids and LV, CD307e.BCMA CAR LV plasmids and LV, CD20.CD22 and CD19.CD20.CD22 CAR LV plasmids, Recombinant Insulin Glargine; to receive Peripheral Blood Monocytes from different groups of patients recovered from SARS-CoV-2, recombinant anti- interleukin-4 receptor alpha proteins; pre-clinical toxicity study report on a Lyophilized recombinant L-asparaginase II Biosimilar, a novel recombinant Anti-VEGF fragment antibody; to repeat preclinical toxicity studies on Vedolizumab Biosimilar; request on post approval change notification and further advice/concurrence on Infliximab biosimilar; study protocols on reproductive & developmental toxicity studies on recombinant Human Papillomavirus Quadrivalent vaccine. 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 the applications to transfer seeds of GE rice lines; to conduct event selection trial of GE cotton lines; inspection reports of Central Compliance Committee on 2nd visit of BRL-I 1st year trial of GE maize breeding stack; request for change in company name. After deliberation on each application including information items, appropriate decisions were taken by the RCGM.

5. IBSC Reports

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

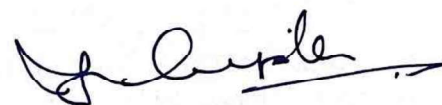
6. Other items

The Committee considered three applications recommended by the Inter-Ministerial Committee for Certification of BSL-3 facility, and follow-up to a site visit of BSL-3 facility. After deliberations, 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, Director & Group Leader, Plant-microbe Interaction, International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, New Delhi	Co-Chair (Agri)
3.	Dr. Arvind Sahu, Scientist 'G', The National Centre for Cell Science (NCCS), Pune (Through VC)	Co-Chair (Biopharma)
4.	Dr. Nitin K. Jain, Scientist 'F' & Head, Regulation, DBT, New Delhi	Member-Secretary
5.	Dr. Neelam S. Sangwan, Professor (Biochemistry), Central University of Haryana, Mahendergarh	Member
6.	Dr. Chandish R. Ballal, Former Director, National Bureau of Agricultural Insect Resources, Bengaluru	Member
7.	Dr. R. Uma Shaanker, Senior Professor, IIT, Jammu	Member
8.	Dr. S. N. Sudhakar Babu, Former Head, Crop Production & Principle Scientist (Agronomy), ICAR-Indian Institute of Oil Seed Research, Hyderabad	Member
9.	Dr. P. V. Mohanan, Scientist 'G', SCTIMST, Thiruvananthapuram	Member
10.	Dr. K.G. Tirumurugaan, Professor, Department of Animal Biotechnology, Madras Veterinary College, TANUVAS, Chennai	Member
11.	Dr. Ritu Aggarwal, Professor, Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research, Chandigarh	Member
12.	Dr. Asha Chaubey, Sr. Principal Scientist & Head of Fermentation Technology Division, CSIR-IIIM, Jammu (Through VC)	Member
13.	Dr. Rubina Bose, Deputy Drugs Controller (India), CDSCO. Nominee/Representative – CDSCO	Member
14.	Sh. Rajappan Viswanathan, Astt. Drugs Controller (India), CDSCO. Nominee/Representative – CDSCO	Member
15.	Dr. Geeta Jotwani, Deputy Director General (Senior Grade) & Scientist F- ICMR. Nominee/Representative - ICMR	Member
16.	Dr. Abhilasha Singh Mathuriya, Scientist D, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India. Nominee/Representative - MoEF&CC	Member
17.	Dr. Arvind Kumar, Ministry of Home Affairs. Nominee/Representative - Ministry of Home Affairs	Member
18.	Dr. Anant Narayan Bhatt, Institute of Nuclear Medicine and Allied Sciences (INMAS). Nominee/Representative - Defense Research and Development Organization	Member
19.	Dr. Gandharva Nagpal, Scientist 'C', DBT, New Delhi	Co-Member Secretary

Biosafety Support Unit:	
20.	Dr. Govind Kumar Rai, Scientist & Coordinator
21.	Dr. Poonam Vishwakarma, Scientist
22.	Dr. Pranjali Vishwakarma, Scientist
23.	Dr. Manpreet Kaur, Scientist
Others:	
24.	Dr. Satish Kumar Raina, M/s. Nath Bio-Genes (India) Limited, Ch. Sambhajinagar (Aurangabad)

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Approved

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