

Minutes
Institutional Biosafety Committee
Microsoft Teams
May 12, 2026
10:00 am – 11:46 am

Member	Attendance	Member	Attendance	Member	Attendance
Malgorzata Simm	P	Jesson Martin	P	Elmer Newness	A
Kameyo Johnson	P	Jessica Slade	P	Eric Werth	P
Stormie Adkins	P	Raymond Cole	A		
Absent: A; Present: P					

Meeting Notes: Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC)

- **Approval of Minutes**
 - Minutes from the April 28, 2026, meeting were reviewed and approved.
 - Dr. Eric Werth motioned to approve; Kay Johnson seconded. Minutes approved by vote.
- **Publication update**
 - The Policy on Redacting minutes of the Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) meetings is in TEAMS.
 - All minutes approved by the IBC members have been posted to the university website: <https://www.upike.edu/academics/research-at-upike/>
- **UP-KYCOM_Lazenka2026_IBC5 – REVISION#2**
 - PI submitted an updated disposal plan for the reagent of concern. The PI also informed the committee of his intention to switch to a chemical with fewer disposal restrictions. He provided a disposal plan for the updated option.
 - VOTE RESULTS: 6 votes to approve without conditions.
 - **Action:** A letter of approval will be sent to the PI.
- **UP-KYOM_Han2026_IBC6-Revision**
 - The committee discussed the revised application's updated information with particular attention to training the entire team. The application supplied the information needed.
 - VOTE RESULTS: 6 votes approved
 - **Action:** A letter of approval will be sent to the PI. Dr. Simm will upload the training certificates to TEAMS.

- **UP-KYCOM_Bukhari2026_IBC10-REVISION**
 - Discussion of the revised application. The PI addressed the committee's requested areas of concern. The toxicity of some of the chemicals being used was discussed in detail.
 - VOTE RESULTS: 6 votes to approve.
 - **Action:** A letter of approval will be sent to the PI.
- **UP-KYCOM_Evans2026_IBC15**
 - PI included safety certificates with the applications. The application detailed disposal and sterilization processes. Links to additional information on the chemicals were included with the application.
 - VOTE RESULTS: 6 votes to approve.
 - **Action:** A letter of approval will be sent to the PI.
- **UP-KYCOM_Ejaz2026_IBC16**
 - Discussion about the application in detail with a focus on the chemicals that were used and proper storage and disposal. The application supplied the necessary information to address all questions and concerns.
 - VOTE RESULTS: 5 votes to approve. Mrs Adkins left the meeting briefly and was absent for the vote.
 - **Action:** A letter of approval will be sent to the PI.
- **UP-KYCOM_Afolabi2026_IBC17**
 - Concerns about the regulatory plan regarding potential exposure must be posted in the lab; universal precautions with human blood, vaccination for HepB must be offered, annual training, a post-exposure evaluation plan, and waste disposal were discussed.
 - VOTE RESULTS: 6 votes for more information.
 - **Action:** A letter requesting additional information will be sent to the PI.
- **UP-KYCOM-Han2026_IBC18**
 - The committee discussed the information in the complete application in detail.
 - VOITE RESULTS: 6 Votes to approve
 - **Action:** A letter of approval will be sent to the PI.
- **UP-CAS_Wang2028_IBC9**
 - Application awaiting revision submission
 - **Action:** A reminder letter will be sent to the PI.
- Motion to adjourn by Dr. Jessica Jordan, seconded by Stormie Adkins. The meeting ended at 11:46 am.