

**Harry S. Truman Memorial Veteran's Hospital
Columbia, Missouri
Institutional Biosafety Committee Meeting Minutes
March 5, 2026, 2:00pm**

Members in Attendance		Members Absent
Aarattuthodi, Suja	Kalera, Karishma	Dickerson, Marie
Attebery, David	Korte, Scott	Heng, Xiao
Calcutt, Mick	Picking, Bill	Lynch, Joseph
Casterline, Ben	Popejoy, Sid	Ma, Wenjun
Chandrasekhar, Anand	Rehard, David	
Cui, Taixing		Others in Attendance
Griffiths, Anthony		Hamilton, Anna
Hynes, Steve		Henegar, Jeff
		Szewczyk, Michael
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1. IBC Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm
2. Approval of 2/19/2026 VA Meeting Minutes
 - A. *IBC members reviewed the meeting minutes. The IBC Chairman called for motions for approval. There were two motions for approval and a final request for a vote. All members voted for approval, with two abstentions.*
3. Protocol reviews
 - A. **New and Renewal Protocols Involving Recombinant and/or Synthetic Nucleic Acid Molecules, Requiring Full Committee Review**
 1. **Thakkar, Mahesh (19420)**
Sleep and Stroke
Guideline: Section III-D-4
Containment: BSL-1
Training: Up-to-date
Status: Approved

Committee deliberations: There were two motions for approving the protocol, and a final request for a vote. After discussion, all members voted in favor of approval. 0 No. 0 Abstain
 2. **Whaley-Connell, Adam (24780)**
Advancing kidney health: an innovative nano-engineering approach to kidney disease
Guideline: Section III-D-4
Containment: BSL-1
Training: Up-to-date
Status: Approved

Committee deliberations: There were two motions for approving the protocol, and a final request for a vote. After discussion, all members voted in favor of approval. 0 No. 0 Abstain

4. Protocol Amendments

PI (#)	Submitted	Title	Notes
Bauer , David (22680)	2/26	Developing Intraperitoneal Cancer Models	<i>Chair, EHS Approved 3/4</i>

5. The meeting was adjourned at 2:15pm