

MINUTES OF THE 195th MEETING OF THE REVIEW COMMITTEE ON GENETIC MANIPULATION (RCGM) HELD ON 10.12.2020 IN THE DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY

The Chairman, RCGM extended a formal welcome to the members of the RCGM for the 195th 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 194th meeting of the RCGM held on 26.11.2020

3. On action taken report, the Member-Secretary informed that during the 194th meeting of the RCGM, a total of 29 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 for conducting pre-clinical toxicity study of biosimilar of Aflibercept and mRNA vaccine candidate for Covid-19; Pre-clinical toxicity study reports of a similar biologic of Pertuzumab, Bevacizumab (Ophthalmic indication) and Teriparatide; Progress report on CDX-005 strain of SARS-CoV2. After deliberation on each application including information items, appropriate decision was taken by the RCGM.

4.2 Applications in the area of Agriculture

The Committee considered applications to import Arabidopsis mutant seeds; to conduct confined field trial for Event selection of GE cotton lines. After deliberation on each application including information items, appropriate decision was taken by the RCGM.

5. IBSC Reports

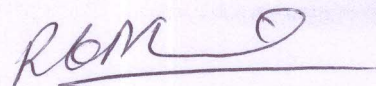
The Committee considered minutes submitted by eight IBSCs and appropriate decision was taken by the RCGM.

6. Other items

The Committee considered corrigendum for the permit letter issued to receive seeds of GE cotton lines, implementation of online IBSC meetings due to prevailing COVID-19 situation, draft document for Biorepositories and appropriate decision was taken by the RCGM.

No other transaction took place and the meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

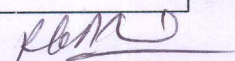
The Minutes are approved.



(Dr. Rakesh Kumar Mishra)
Chairman, RCGM

Annexure-I

List of Participants:		
1.	Dr. Rakesh Kumar Mishra, Director-CCMB, Hyderabad	Chairman
2.	Dr. Amita Aggarwal, Professor, SGPIMS, Lucknow	Co-Chair (Pharma)
3.	Dr. Alka Sharma, Scientist 'G' & Head Regulation, DBT	Member
4.	Dr. Gururaj Katti, Former Principal Scientist & Head, ICAR- IIRR, Hyderabad	Member
5.	Dr. P. V. Mohanan, Scientist 'G', SCTIMST, Thiruvananthapuram	Member
6.	Dr. Anand Kumar Kondapi, School of Life Science, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad	Member
7.	Dr. R. Uma Shaanker, University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru	Member
8.	Dr. Chandish R. Ballal, Former Director, National Bureau of Agricultural Insect Resources, Bangalore	Member
9.	Dr. Neelam S. Sangwan, Head, Department of Biochemistry, Central University of Haryana, Mahendergarh	Member
10.	Dr. Pradyumna Kumar Singh, CSIR-National Botanical Research Institute, Lucknow	Member
11.	Dr. S.K. Rath, Principal Scientist, CSIR- CDRI, Lucknow	Member
12.	Dr. Rajnish Kumar Chaturvedi, CSIR-Indian Institute of Toxicology Research, Lucknow	Member
13.	Dr. K.G.Tirumurugan, Professor, TANUVAS, Chennai	Member
14.	Dr. Shilpi Paul, Scientist E, SERB	Nominee-DST
15.	Sh. Chandrashekar Ranga. Deputy Drugs Controller (India) CDSCO	Nominee-CDSCO
16.	Sh. Jayant Ganga Khedkar, Asst Drugs Controller(India), CDSCO	Nominee-CDSCO
17.	Dr. Meenal Rathore, Senior Scientist; Representative of Dr. N. P. Singh, IIPR, Kanpur	Nominee- ICAR
18.	Dr. Shilpi Paul, Scientist E, SERB	Nominee-DST
19.	Sh. Tarun Kathula, Director Biosafety, MoEF&CC & Member Secretary-GEAC	Nominee- MoEF&CC
20.	Dr. Nitin K. Jain, Scientist 'F', DBT	Member Secretary
21.	Dr. Sangeeta Agarwal, CSO, BSU, New Delhi	Special Invitee
22.	Dr. Gandharva Nagpal, Scientist 'C', DBT	Secretariat Member
Biosafety Support Unit:		
23.	Dr. Pranjali Vishwakarma, Scientist	
24.	Dr. Reema Sharma, Scientist	
25.	Dr. Govind Kumar Rai, Scientist	
26.	Dr. Poonam Vishwakarma, Scientist	
27.	Dr. Manpreet Kaur, Scientist	
28.	Dr. Raghavendra Aminedi, Scientist	
Others:		
29.	Dr. Sanjay Bandyopadhyay, M/s. Cadila Healthcare Limited, Ahmadabad, Gujarat	
30.	Dr. Jitendra Patel, M/s. Cadila Healthcare Limited, Ahmadabad, Gujarat	



31.	Dr. Sanjeev Kumar, M/s. Cadila Healthcare Limited, Ahmadabad, Gujarat
32.	Yogananth Rajendran, M/s. Cadila Healthcare Limited, Ahmadabad, Gujarat

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