

CORIELL INSTITUTE
 BIOSAFETY COMMITTEE IBC Meeting
 Minutes- Hybrid Meeting
 August 19, 2026 10 am

Members

	Tina Edmonston - Community Member	Voting Member	
X	Martin Job - Community Member	Voting Member	
X	Jailynn Harke – Community Member	Voting Member	
X	Laura Scheinfeldt - Scientist	Voting Member	
X	Yanting “Yann” Zhang - Scientist	Voting Member	
	Zhaohui Xiong - Scientist	Voting Member	
X	Woonbok Chung – IBC Chair, Scientist	Voting Member	
X	Christine Grandizio – Co Chair	Voting Member	
X	Dana Peel – IBC Coordinator	Non-voting Member	

X= Present

Quorum was met for this meeting. All decisions were unanimous.

I. Announcements

- Please welcome Christine Grandizio, our new IBC Co-Chair
- We will be sending out a poll for October dates for our biannual meeting soon

II. Other Business

None

III. Minutes Review

Minutes from June 8th, 2026, reviewed and approved unanimously

IV. Protocols to Review

New Projects

PI: Nahid Turan PhD	Reg.: 1031	Activity: Registration	NIH: III-D-1, III-E-1	BSL: 2
Title: Biobanking Collection 1031				
Overview: The Biobanking Collection 1031 is a centralized national biorepository designed to support and advance psychiatric genetics research. Its primary objective is to sustain, develop, and enhance a comprehensive resource of biospecimens and associate clinical and genomic data to accelerate discovery in the genetic architecture of mental disorders. It provides researchers with access to high-quality biological materials, including DNA, RNA, and cell lines—derived from individuals with psychiatric disorders and unaffected controls. These biospecimens are paired with richly curated phenotypic and genomic datasets, enabling large-scale, reproducible studies. The project focuses on: -Collecting, processing, storing, and distributing human biospecimens -Generating renewable resources such as induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSCs) -Developing integrated informatics platforms and tools for data harmonization, tracking, and resource access -Facilitating broad data sharing and interoperability with other repositories. The long-term goal is to accelerate scientific understanding of the genetic and biological mechanisms				

underlying mental illness by providing a scalable, high-quality, and widely accessible research resource.

Discussion:

- Status of IRB approval needs clarification
- Clarification on why SOPs were referenced but not included. Are these redundant to your BSL2 protocol? If not, please submit for IBC review and approval
- Please add additional detail to section 2H regarding the safety protocol during flow cytometry processing (how the technicians will be protected)
- What is the process for transport of liquid material from biosafety cabinet to disposal (current BSL2 protocol does not include details about containment during transport of liquid waste from biosafety cabinet to disposal)
- If personnel exposure, suggestion to add a minimum amount of time (e.g. 15 min) to wash rather than just saying copious amount of washing, prior to seeking medical attention

Final Action: Unanimous conditional approval

V. Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the meeting was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:43am

Coriell Institute for Medical Research IBC Chair