	Safety Department use only	Material(s) Classification		
Loughborough University	Reference Number:	Hazard Group 1	✓	
		Hazard Group 2		
Biological Risk Assessment	CBE Use only	GMO		
	Reference Number: CBE BRA 198	HTA Licensable	✓	

FORM CBE-RA-Form/002 Version 1.0

RISK ASSESSMENT AND PROJECT REGISTRATION FOR WORK INVOLVING BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

This form acts to register projects involving the use of Biological Agents and / or Genetically Modified Micro-Organisms, or of materials that may be contaminated with these agents. It assesses the hazards and risks associated with the project as well as identifying those at risk and the measures necessary for preventing, or controlling these risks. Please ensure that sufficient detail is provided when completing this form and that the relevant written SOPs are referenced where required. Once completed and approved, all risk assessments must be supplied to all those working within this project. The work described within this form must not commence until this risk assessment has been completed and approved and that all necessary control measures are in place.

Any changes to the work, or the persons involved, must be notified to the authorised person. All changes requested must be recorded within the risk assessment change control form and may also need to be incorporated within an amended version of this form.

A separate risk assessment will be required for assessing risks associated with GMO activities.

The following declaration must be completed and undersigned by the Principal Investigator or Person Responsible for the project

- All information contained in this form is accurate and comprehensive.
- All workers involved will be instructed that their work must remain within the boundaries of this project registration & assessment.
- All workers have been given, or will be given before they become involved, adequate training and where necessary their competency assessed.
- All workers have, or will be before their involvement begins, enrolled with Occupational Health for health clearance where necessary.
- It is understood that this risk assessment shall not be transferred to a third party without the PI/Supervisor/Line Manager named in this form either taking responsibility for the new activities, or ensuring that a new proposal is submitted.
- All changes to the work covered by this form will be reassessed & the changes submitted to the authorised person before those changes are made to the work.

	Principal Investigator		Person conducting this risk assessment
Name	Dr Karen Coopman	Name	Nishant Joglekar
Position	Reader	Position	PhD student
Department	Chemical Engineering	Department	Centre of Biological Engineering
School	AACME	School	AACME

The Project Activity							
Title	Ordering primary CD4+ T cells and co-culturing with MSCs or culturing T cells in MSC conditioned medium (CM-MSC)						
Reference Nur	nber						
Start Date	3 Mar 2021	End Date	Open ended				

	Others involved in the work
Names	Jen Bowdrey
	Technician
	Centre of Biological Engineering
	AACME

Name Nishant Joglekar	Signature	Date	3 Mar 2021
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			1. INTRODU	JCTION						
1.1 Background & aim of project				ork to investigate the ability of MSCs post-thaw, and in culture, to be able to differentiate CD4+ T cell cells (Tregs) following co-culturing the T cells with MSCs or culturing T cells in MSC conditioned medi						
		Thawing cells - r	hawing cells - refer to CBE BRA 183							
		Freezing cells - refer to CBE BRA 183								
			Culturing MSCs - MSCs will be cultured at a density of 5000cells/cm^2 in DMEM medium containing 10% FBS and 2uM iltraglutamine. Media will be changed every three days.							
		Culturing T cells - T cells will initially be thawed and cultured in flasks/well plates in order to make a working cell bank (WCB). The cells from the WCB will then be used for further experiments with MSC-CM, or for co-culture with MSCs. T cell culture will involve an RPMI based medium containing 10% FBS, or ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium with an appropriate amount of ImmunoCult™ Human CD3/CD28 T Cell Activator and human rIL-2 to activate the cells before transferring the flasks/plates to a 5% CO2 incubator at 37C. Cells will be seeded at 1x10^6cells/ml post-thaw, and samples will then be examined daily with cell counts taken every 24hrs. Cell suspension will be mixed with a pipette every 3 days to remove clumps. If cells reach a concentration of 2.5x10^6cells/ml, or the media turns yellow, fresh media will be added to adjust the concentration back to 1x10^6cells/ml. If longer term cell expansion is required (>12days), fresh activator and IL-2 will be added for restimulation.								
1.2 Description of experimental proce	media will be as Cell Expansion N MSCs used will	ASC and T cell co-culture - MSCs will initially be cultured in 24 well plates in DMEM medium. At 80-90% confluency, the nedia will be aspirated and T cells cultured for 24hrs with RPMI based medium containing 10% FBS, or ImmunoCult™-XF T cell Expansion Medium with an appropriate amount of ImmunoCult™ Human CD3/CD28 T Cell Activator and human rIL-2. ASCs used will either be post-thaw or post-passage. The T cells will then be inspected each day and samples taken to letermine cell number and viability, along with the number of Tregs present using the Treg detection kit.								
	confluent. DMEI cultured in SFM and will be cond	Preparation of MSC conditioned media (MSC-CM) - MSCs will initially be cultured in DMEM containing 10% FBS till 80-90% confluent. DMEM media will then be aspirated and appropriate serum free media (SFM) will be added and the cells cultured in SFM for 72hrs. Following the 72hr incubation period, media will be harvested, filtered to remove any debris, and will be concentrated using a centrifugal filter device. The prepared MSC-CM will then be stored at -80C until further use. MSCs used to prepare MSC-CM will either be post-thaw or post-passage.								
	Culturing T cells in MSC-CM - T cells will initially be cultured in RPMI based medium containing 10% FBS, or ImmunoCult™ FT Cell Expansion Medium with an appropriate amount of ImmunoCult™ Human CD3/CD28 T Cell Activator and human rIL-2 in 24 well plates for 24hrs. T cells will then be harvested using centrifugation, and re-dispersed in the previously prepared MSC-CM and fresh ImmunoCult™ Human CD3/CD28 T Cell Activator and IL-2 will be added. The T cells will then be inspected each day and samples taken to determine cell number and viability, along with the number of Tregs present using the Treg detection kit. Treg identification - Following MSC co-culturing/incubation in MSC-CM, it is likely that the CD4+ T cells will differentiate into T regulatory cells (Tregs). At various timepoints, T cells will be harvested, and the number of Tregs identified using									
			etry using a Treg detection kit - involves staining for CD45+/CD4+/CD25+/CD127dim/neg/FoxP3+ cells.							
1.3 Where will this work be carried ou	ut?	Rooms/areas	H23, H30, H34 - Centre f	or Biological Engineering (CBE)						
		Building(s)	СВЕ							
2.1 Human or animal tis	sues, ce	lls, body fluid	ds or excreta will b	e used in this project						
		2. TISS	UES, CELLS, BODY	FLUIDS OR EXCRETA						
2.2 List all cells, tissues, body t	fluids and	d excreta to b	e used. For cells, in	dicate primary, continuous or finite.						
Material type	Org	gan source	Species	Where it will be obtained from (Include country of origin)	+					
Primary cells (CD4+ T cells)	Periphe	eral blood	Human	Stemcell Technologies, UK	X					
✓ 2.3 Material(s) listed in	section 2	2.2 above are	e considered to be	'relevant material' under the Human Tissue Act 2004.						
				Government Human Tissue Authority - Web Page						
2.3.1 Relevant material type			C = Other	ank with REC approval for genetic research use	+					
			D = Organisation with E = Imported	h REC approval for research use						

Commercial provider		7 A	□В	□с	□ D	□ E	Stemce	ell Technologies			х
2.3.1.1 Has a Material Transfer Agreement (MTA) been ful approved?	ly G										
2.3.2 Have you verified that the consent has taken place fo tissue in this study?	r use of			Giv	ve deta	ils:	Comp	oany has genera	alised cons	ent in place	
2.3.3 Are you aware of the Ethics expiry date?	(c)			Ex	piry Da	te:	Provi	ded by compar	ny		
2.3.3.1 Please detail the sample disposal action plan.	i I I	after i eleva pe co appro	initial p ant cell mplete oval in	oassagir s, an 'A ed and s	ng, and uthoris submit e of the	takin ation ted to prop	ig item of to Dispo	disposal form if off ProCuro. In the ose of HTA Licer or Person Respo te for disposal	he case of c nsable Mate onsible) and	lisposing Hī erial form' m d dPD for	TA-
2.11 Biological agents will be used in th	is projec										
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3.1. Are you confident that any non-GM organism, tissue, co								this assessment	0 V 6		
cannot potentially pose a threat to humans or cause huma									√ Yes - C	lassify as HC	ונ
3.1.1. Can any non-GM organism, tissue, cell, body fluid, exchazard to humans but is unlikely to spread to the commun	•							•	Yes - Classify as HG2		32
3.1.2. Can any non-GM organism, tissue, cell, body fluid, exa a serious hazard to humans and that may spread to the cor available?									○ Yes		
3.2. Do any of the materials contain pathogens or toxins co	vered by th	e Anti-	Terroris	m Crime a	and Secu	rity Ac	t?		○ Yes	ATCSA Schedule	
ASSIGNMENT OF CONTAINMENT LEVEL									HG1		
4.	TISSUES	CEL	LS, BO	DY FLU	JIDS O	R EXC	RETA				
4.2. Will any culturing of the material described in section 2 If Yes, describe which cell(s) will be cultured and under what co		•				Ø	Yes No	T cells will be cu		ell plates/T flas	sks
4.3. Could HIV permissive cells be present*? If Yes, describe the cells and for how long these cultures will be						0	Yes				
If unsure seek advice. Refer to CBE Code of Practice for details			autions.			Ø	No				
4.4. What is the maximum volume of culture grown?							/essel	6,000,000			
						vess	nber of els	10			
4.5. Will the tissues, cells, body fluids or excreta be manipul concentration of adventitious biological agent present?			nat could	l result in	the	0	Yes				
				Ø	No Yes						
4.6. Will any of the tissues, cells or fluids be donated by you access to the labs?	or your col	league	es workir	ng in or w	ith	Ø	No				
	5. RIS	KS A	ND CO	NTROL	. MEAS	URES	5				
Risk				ŀ	low will	this b	e controlle	ed?		eference to SC her document	
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Risk		How will this be controlled?	Reference to SOP's / Other documentation
5.1. Might infectious droplets, aerosols or splashes be created, either deliberately or by accident?	√ Yes No	Cell culture will be carried out in ClassII BSCs using aseptic technique. If spills occur, the spill procedure as outlined in the SOP will be followed. PPE will be worn at all times while working in the labs. Possible small spillages of ICF and bleach used during flow cytometry will be cleaned as per the procedure outlined in the risk assessment for the 'Use and maintenance of Guava easyCyte 8HT benchtop flow cytometer'	SOP037 SOP038 CBE 186 SAF MEME 6698
5.2. Will this material be transported within the laboratory e.g. between BSC & incubator?	✓ Yes∩ No	24 well plates/T flasks will be transported between the BSC and incubator using due care and diligence. This will include making sure that lids are properly closed to prevent spillages and also infection of cells. Making sure that there are no trip hazards present in the lab before work begins.	
5.3. Will this material (including waste) be transported locally between sites on campus but outside the laboratory?	○ Yes Ø No		
5.4. Will material(s) listed in section 2.2 or section 2.3 be shipped to organisations elsewhere in the UK or abroad?	○ Yes✓ No		
WHO guidance for transport of infectious substa	nces website		
5.5. Will this material be received from organisations elsewhere in the UK or abroad?	YesNo	Cells will be supplied from a commercial supplier within the UK.	
5.6. Will this material be stored?	YesNo	Cells will be stored in the vapour phase of liquid Nitrogen. Correct PPE will be worn when transferring cells to and from liquid nitrogen as per the SOPs. When in culture the cells will be stored in incubators at 37C and 5% CO2.	SOP031 SOP013
5.7. Will infectious material be centrifuged?	YesNo	Both MSCs and T cells will be centrifuged at various points in the culture process.	SOP047
5.8. Are biological samples to be cultured in an incubator?	✓ Yes ✓ No	Cells will be cultured in an incubator under standard conditions. Temperature and CO2 levels will be regularly checked and any irregularities will be reported to the lab manager. Incubators used as per the SOP114. If spills occur they will be cleaned up with 70% IMS, or if large as per the SOP038	SOP114 SOP038
5.9. Are sharps to be used at any stage during this activity?		Pipette tips maybe used duiring cell culture. These will be placed in the yellow autoclable sharps containers for safe disposal. Sharps containers will not be filled more than three quarters full. If a sharp injury occurs, the wound will be washed immediately and the lab manager, first aider and safety officer are informed. A near miss/accident form also needs to be completed.	SOP003
5.10. Are animals to be used in this project?			
5.11. Will a fermenter / bioreactor be used to culture a biological agent or material?	✓ Yes✓ No		
5.12. Is there any stage within the experimental procedures when an infectious material is inactivated (other than for disposal)?	✓ Yes✓ No		
5.13 Are any of the following to be used in conjunction with the project?	Carcinogens or Mutagens		
You must complete a cryogen risk assessment before work begins and add the reference here.	Toxins Liquid Nitrogen	Used for storage of cells.	SOP013
	lonising radiation		

Risk		How will this be controlled?						
You must complete a lone working risk assessment before work begins and add the reference here.	Lone working							
5.14. Are there any conditions associated with th hazards described in section 5.13 that require additional control measures?	e C Yes							
		6. PPE AND	HYGENE					
Control Measure	Details	etails o						
6.1 When will gloves be worn?	At all times wh	nile in the lab				SOP037		
6.2 What type and where will they be stored?	Nitrile		In Lab and in Changing A	rea		SOP037		
6.3 When will laboratory coats be worn and wha type are these?	t At all times in	the lab	White Howie			SOP037		
6.4 Where will lab coats be stored and what are the arrangements for cleaning or disposal?	Stored in first	change	Lab coats are cleaned once a mo	onth, or if they	come into co	SOP037		
6.5 Provide details of any other types of PPE to bused?			es over closed toe shoes. Safety gl gloves will be worn during handli		ıks.	SOP037		
6.6 Describe the lab hygiene facilities available and where they are located	Sinks and eye	wash stations	In change areas and labs	SOP037				
6.7 Where are the first aid boxes and emergency spill kits located?	First aid kit	- Office and First c	Spill kits- In first changes,	and under h	nand sinks			
		7. W <i>A</i>	ASTE					
7.1 How will waste be treated prior to disposal								
(Note that all differently treated wastes must be included e.g. if some liquid is autoclaved, but others not, then describe both)		Treatment prior t	o disposal	Is the treatment validated?	ce to SOPs / other cumentation			
		be autoclaved or treate the drain with copious a	ed with Virkon for 24 hours then amounts of water	✓ Yes○ No	SOP003 SOP025			
✓ Solid waste	chemicals can be waste stream. If solid waste con	autoclaved on cycle 4,	al agents which does not contain and discarded via the orange or chemicals, this must be	✓ Yes ✓ No	SOP003 SOP025			
Other (Specify)								
7.2 Is any waste being autoclaved?								
All cycles have been validated for the actual load types used? (If Yes, documentary evidence of the validation must be available) N								
The successful completion of every load is ch	✓ Yes○ No	SOP054						
7.3 How will liquid waste be disposed of?				l	1			
✓ To drain?	Autoclaved or	virkon treated liqu	uid waste can be poured do	✓ Yes ✓ No	SOP003 SOP025			

				7. WASTE				
As solid waste?								
Other (Specify)								
7.4 How will solid waste be	e disposed of?							
	Categorisation			Waste stream colour code	Dis	sposal method (Edit as required)		
Sharps				Orange	Yellow/Orange lidded sharps l potentially infected > clinical v	bin > autoclave sterilisation if known or waste disposal (incineration)		
Sharps contaminated	with cytotoxic or cy	tostatic materia	al					
Human body parts, organs, including blood bags and blood preserves and excreta that have been pretreated before leaving the site								
Animal body carcasse pretreated before lear		rts that have be	een					
Potentially or known in potentially contaminate that have NOT been p	ited with cytotoxic o	r cytostatic ma						
Potentially or known i pretreated before leave		hat have <u>NOT</u> k	peen	Yellow	Yellow clinical waste bags > cl	inical waste disposal (incineration)		
Infected or potentially pretreated before leave		that <u>HAVE</u> bee	en	Orange	Disinfection or sterilisation in t clinical waste disposal (inciner	the lab site > orange clinical waste bags > ration)		
For HTA: Please specify how the deceased from other cli		regation of tiss	ue from	The procuro system will be used to keep track of where HTA relevant material is at each stage of the process and when disposing, the HTA relevant material will be collected in separate containers/bags marked for disposal of HTA Licensable Material to ensure that the material is kept separate from non-human and other laboratory clinical waste. Details of disposing HTA relevant material have been provided in CBE/HTA-PR-SOP007.				
				8. MAINTENANC				
8.1 Are preventative maint	enance and monitor	ing regimes in	place for t	he following laboratory e	equipment?			
	Inspection / Freque		Clea	ning / Disinfection Frequency	Monitoring / Alarms Frequency	Reference to SOPs		
✓ Centrifuges	User inspection b use. Weekly check after 100-150 hou	ks. Serviced	Weekly		With each use	SOP047		
✓ BSCs	Weekly		Before a	nd after use, also a clean	Before each use. Record value on BSC daily use sheet.	SOP004		
Fume Hoods			•					
✓ Autoclaves	Inspected before	each use	Weekly		Before each use check Autoclave in safe working condition. Check cycle has worked after each run. Check display for error messages.	SOP025		
✓ Incubators	Weekly		Fornigh required	tly/monthly/ when	With each use SOP114			

	8. MAINTENANCE								
✓ Liquid N ₂ Stores	Biweekly	Biweekly	Biweekly	SOP013					
Failure contingency plan	In the event of failure or malfunction, the dRP with the custodians of the stored material shall transfer material to an available space within another cryostore. Transfer shall be recorded on the Procuro database. In the event of unplanned long term facility/utility failure the dRP shall seek permission with the relevant authority to transfer the cryostore to another facility to allow continued maintenance. Transfer shall be recorded on the Procuro database. In the event of alarm/probe failure, the dRP shall ensure that the alarm/probe is repaired.								
✓ Freezers	Biannually	Biannually	Biannually	SOP016					
Failure contingency plan	an available space within a recorded on the Procuro of In the event of a short-term material, the freezer shoul allow the freezer to stabilicontents. In the event of a planned in for the dRP shall seek permission recorded on the Procuro of In the event of alarm failur dRP checks the probes and For -20C freezer: In the event of failure or man available space within a be recorded on the Procuro of In the event of a short-term stored material, the freezer allow the freezer to stabilication in the event of a planned in for the dRP shall seek permission recorded on the Procuro of In the event of alarm failured in th	another CBE -80C freezer or database. In power outage, all freezers of not be opened during the se. The temperature log shows the duration of the power out with the relevant authority database In the dRP ensures that the dalarm system regularly an another CBE -20C freezer or ro database. In power outage, all freezers or ro database. In power outage, all freezers or ro database. In the temperature log shall ong term power outage, the duration of the power out with the relevant authority database. In the RP shall ensure that the control of the power out with the relevant authority database.	to an available space withing in the CBE will be affected. Expower outage as well as an ould be reviewed to assess the edRP shall ensure that there age. In the event of unplant to transfer material to the Stalarm is repaired and batted ensures maintenance. The custodians of the stored in to an available space withing the power outage and will be reviewed to assess the edRP ensures that there is a large. In the event of unplant to transfer material to the Stalage. In the event of unplant to transfer material to the Stalage.	e is alternative source of power ned long term power outage the SEHS facility. Transfer shall be ries replaced, if applicable. The naterial shall transfer material to a the -80C freezer. Transfer shall To minimise the effect on an hour after power returns to impact on the freezer contents. Alternative source of power ned long term power outage the SEHS facility. Transfer shall be and probes replaced.					
✓ Fridges	Biannually	Biannually	Biannually	SOP016					

								ns of the stored material shall trans recorded on the Procuro database			
	stored mate	In the event of a short-term power outage, all fridges in the CBE/T208b will be affected. To minimise the effect on stored material, the fridge should not be opened during the power outage and an hour after power returns to allow the fridge to stabilise. The temperature log shall be reviewed to assess the impact on the freezer contents.									
Failure contingency plan		-						·			
	(generator)	hired in for	the du	ration o	of the	power out	tage. In the	ures that there is alternative source event of unplanned long term pow	wer outage the		
								r material to the SSEHS facility. (T20 e). Transfer shall be recorded on the			
	database.	·									
	In the event	t of alarm fa	ailure, th	ne RP sh	nall en	sure that	the remote	alarm is repaired and probes repla	ced.		
Others											
						RAINING					
9.1. Have all project researc	ch workers undert	taken safety tr	aining for	working	with ha			zardous biological materials and agents at 0	:L2?		
Nai	me of researcher			Had Tra	aining		ng completed completed)	If no, state why	+		
Nishant Joglekar				Ye No		15 O	ct 2019		x		
9.2. This work involv	es HTA 'Relevant	: Material', con	firm that	all project	t resear	ch workers I	nave undertak	sen HTA training			
						ning complete be complete					
Name of researc	cher	Had Training	Indu	ction		On-line	In-house	e If No, state why	+		
Nishant Joglekar		✓ Yes No	9 Mai	r 2021	3 N	Лаг 2021	22 Mar 202	21	x		
Jen Bowdrey			24 Jar	n 2017	15	Oct 2020	23 Oct 201	18	x		
			1	O. EME	RGEN	ICY PROC	EDURES				
10.1 Are procedures in place	ce for dealing wit	h spillage of ir	nfectious	or potent	ially inf	ectious mate	erial				
	Equ	uipment						Reference to SOPs			
✓ Within the BSC							SOP038				
✓ Within the centrifuge	•					[5OP038				
✓ Within the laboratory	, but outside any	primary contr	ol measu	res (e.g. E	BSC)	[5	SOP038				
Outside the laborator	ту										
Are procedures in place	for the security of	f these HTA Re	levant sa	mples?							
Loss or theft of sampl	les (including whi	ilst in transit)									

10. EMERGENCY PROCEDURES								
✓ Loss of traceability of samples								
✓ Incorrect disposal of samples								
10.2 Describe the procedures in place for an accidental exposure								+
Skin exposure-flush with running water and wash with soap. Eyes-flush with eyewash for 15 minutes Sharps injury-encourage bleeding and seek medical attention.				Ref to SOP's	SOP038		x	
When and whom to report the incident Contact first aider and report to lab manager and DSO. Comp			DSO. Complete	e the	Ref to SOPs	SOP038		
11. ACCESS								
					Explanation Ref			
11. Is/are the lab(s) ad areas (e.g. offices)?								
11.2. Is/are the lab(s) o other users not involve		Work areas will be shared with users working on other projects. Other lab users will be informed of the type of work being carried out and alerted to any potential hazards. Work will be carried out in BSCs and any work areas cleaned before and after use.				SOP004		
11.3. Describe the mea hazardous biological a secure	✓ Yes ✓ No	Labs can only be accessed and HTA material can only be handled by other authorised users who have undergone safety training.						
12. OCCUPATIONAL								
12.1. All workers involved with handling unscreened blood, blood products and other tissues Have all workers involved in this project been immunized?					are recommend	ded to have Hepatitis B immunis	ation.	
12.2. Is health surveillance required?							○ Yes ⊘ No	
13. NOTIFICATIONS								
13.1. Are any of the cells, tissues or fluids covered by the Human Tissue Act (HTA)				Prima	ıry CD4+ T cells			
13.2. Are any of the cells, tissues or fluids obtained from a HTA licensed biobank with REC approval for generic research use?								
13.3. Does this work have ethical approval from a recognised NHS Research Ethics Committee?								
13.4. Does any of the work require approval from the University Ethical Committee?								
13.5. Do any of the materials require approval for use from the UK Stem Cell Bank Steering Committee (MRC)?								
13.6. Do any of the materials or biological agents listed require any other licenses?								
14. APPROVALS								

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Authorised Person				
Departmental Biological Safety Advisor				