

RISK ASSESSMENT REVIEW/REVISION RECORD

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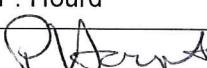
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The following review/revision has been carried out on the dates indicated and either the assessment remains valid or it has been amended as indicated.	
Name(s) of reviewer: E. Ratcliffe	Date: 04/06/10
Signature: <i>E. Ratcliffe</i>	
Amendments:	
Project Status; Parked.	
Work for this project is complete and has now ceased. There is scope for the project to continue at a later date, but prior to any continuation of the project, the risk assessment will be reviewed.	
<i>This review or revision must be approved by the person supervising the work and the CBE Quality Manager. Significant changes may require a revised version of the risk assessment to be issued for re-approval by the local BGMSA and/ or the BSO and/or GM Safety Committee, as appropriate.</i>	
Name of Approver: P. Howarth	Date: 09/06/10
Position: CBE QM	
Signature: <i>P. Howarth</i>	

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Name of reviewer: E. Ratcliffe / P. Hourd	Date: 4/6/09
Signature: 	
Amendments: A minor amendment has been made to the Risk Assessment to show that Alex Lomas, a DTC placement student, will be working under supervision on the Cook MyoSite project in the CBE CL2 facility. Alex will assist on the project during June 2009, a formal record of his training that has been signed off by his supervisor, the laboratory manager and the area safety advisor is held within the CBE facility, which includes documentation to show that he has read and understood the University Safety Policy, the CBE Code of Practise, the Biological Risk Assessment for the project, the CBE facility risk assessment for the project, relevant CBE SOP's, project-specific SOP's as well as COSHH assessments for chemicals used for the project, and practical training on key items of equipment. Alex has been assigned competency to work under supervision for the duration of his time on the project, he will be supervised at all times when working in the CBE CL2 facility by E. Ratcliffe or R. Thomas.	

RISK ASSESSMENT OF WORK WITH BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS

Please note the following before completing this form:

1. University Health and Safety Policy requires that risk assessment of all work with biological materials must be carried out in advance of work commencing. A key requirement of The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) is to assess the risks associated with any work activity involving the use of biological materials that may contain biological agents.
2. YOU SHOULD COMPLETE ALL OF PART A, THE APPROPRIATE SECTION(S) OF PART B, AND ALL OF PART C. THIS FORM SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY UNIT FOR REVIEW (VIA YOUR DEPARTMENTAL SAFETY OFFICER)
3. It is the responsibility of the Principal Investigator to ensure compliance to these requirements and that this risk assessment remains valid.
4. This risk assessment form **IS NOT** for assessing the risks associated with **Genetically Modified Organism** activities.

Date Submitted:	8 th July 2008	Date Approved:	17 Sept 2008
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PART A: Please provide the following general information:

School/Department			
Healthcare Engineering, Centre for Biological Engineering (CBE)			
The Project			
Title of Project: Single Client Automation Project: Cook Myosite			
Project Reference Number: Not Applicable			
Person responsible for this work (Principle Investigator):			
Name: Dr Rob Thomas	Position: Lecturer		
Department: Healthcare Engineering	University School: Wolfson School of Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering / CBE		
Person conducting this assessment			
Name: Dr Rob Thomas	Position: Lecturer		
Department:	Healthcare Engineering	Date Risk Assessment Undertaken:	08.07.08
Proposed Project Start Date:	01.08.08	Proposed Project End Date:	01.08.09

Assessment Review: <i>required at least once a year or immediately following any significant change to the project</i>				
	Review 1	Review 2	Review 3	Review 4
Due Date	08/07/2009			
Date Conducted	23/04/2009	04/06/09		

A1 PROJECT SUMMARY

A1.1 Scientific Goals of the Project *Brief yet clear outline only*

It is critically important to be able to reproducibly manufacture cell populations for regenerative medicine at large scale if the therapeutic potential of the industry is to be realised. This project will demonstrate the feasibility and reproducibility of automated processing of a commercial clinically important purified primary cell population derived from human skeletal muscle tissue biopsy. This is an important step in moving this cell therapy closer to clinical use for urinary stress incontinence.

A1.2 Description of the Experimental Procedures

Describe laboratory procedures to be used and highlight any non-standard laboratory operations

Lyophilised cells will be defrosted, seeded in the Class II Biological Safety Cabinet, cultured (passaged and fed) in the CompacT SelecT, harvested, refrozen, and assessed by flow cytometry. All procedures will be conducted in accordance with the laboratory Quality Management System (QMS) requirements, Good Cell Culture Practice, Good Aseptic Technique, the local Code of Practice (COP) and the Loughborough University Biological Safety Policy.

PART B: Please provide information in one or more of the following sections, as appropriate. Only sections which you complete should be submitted:

*Section 1: micro-organisms (prions, viruses, bacteria, fungi, parasites in ACDP category 2 and pathogens controlled by the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs).
[Work with ACDP category 3 and 4 pathogens is not currently permitted in the University.]*

Section 2: cell cultures, tissues, blood, body fluids or excreta

Section 3: plants and plant material

Section 4: animals and animal tissues

SECTION 2: CELL CULTURES, TISSUES, BLOOD, BODY FLUIDS OR EXCRETA

B2.1 HAZARD AND RISK IDENTIFICATION: NATURE OF CELLS, TISSUES OR BODY FLUIDS

*This information gives an indication of the **potential** harm that the biological material may cause*

B2.1.1 List all cells or tissues to be used. *For cells indicate if primary, continuous or finite.*

Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)			
Cell or tissue type and ID	Organ Source	Species	From where will it be obtained?
Primary Myocyte cells	Skeletal Muscle (thigh)	Human	Cook Myosite Inc, Pittsburgh, USA

B2.1.2 List all blood, body fluids or excreta to be used

Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)			N/R
Material type and ID	Organ Source	Species	From where will it be obtained?

B2.1.3 Has any material listed in section B2.1.1 been genetically modified in any way?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	NO
If Yes, complete Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) Risk Assessment Form	

B2.1.4 Will material be screened for infectious agents (if from a cell culture collection answer B2.1.6)?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	
If Yes, provide details of the types of screening and agents screened for:	
Donor Screening Policy includes the following serology tests:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hepatitis B Surface Antigen• Hepatitis B CORE Total Antibody• HCV Antibody• HTLV I-II Antibody• HIV I-II Antibody• RPR• ABO/Rh• HIV-Antigen (P24)• CMV IgG and CMV IgM	
Document attached.	
* (All Material Safety Data Sheets will be held in a folder in the Centre for Biological Engineering Research Office)	

B2.1.5 Will any clinical history (if relevant) be provided with this material?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	N/R
If yes give details:	
If yes, will a policy of rejection of samples from diseased patients be adopted? Explain	
If yes, how will the information be disseminated in the course of the project?	
If yes, will this information be anonymised?	

B2.1.6 If obtained from a cell culture collection, is safety information provided?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	N/R
If Yes, summarise here:	

B2.2 RISK TO HUMANS

B2.2.1 What is the likelihood of infection of this material? Indicate as None, Low Risk, Medium Risk, High Risk, Known Infected*

Cell type and ID	Risk Category	Justification for Selection
Primary Myosite Cells	Low	Well authenticated/characterised primary cell line from a commercial source. Has documented provenance and screened for the most serious human pathogens. Screened as described in section B2.1.4. Hazard Group 2 requiring baseline containment level CL2

If low risk or none proceed to section B2.2.4

*see *The Managing the risks in laboratories and healthcare premises – available at*
<http://www.hse.gov.uk/biosafety/biologagents.pdf>

B2.2.2 If medium or high risk (section B2.2.1), name and classify the Biological Agents this material could be infected with. List the biological agents and indicate the ACDP hazard group classification*

Name of Agent	Classification

*see *The Approved List of Biological Agents – available on the Health & Safety website or*
<http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/misc208.pdf>.

B2.2.3 Describe the routes of infection (in humans) for these adventitious agents (place a 'X' in the relevant box)

Percutaneous	Mucocutaneous	Inhalation	Ingestion	N/R

Details:

B2.2.4 Are there any other biological hazards (other than adventitious infectious risk) associated with the materials e.g. tumourogenic cells

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If Yes, describe:	

B2.3 HUMANS AT INCREASED RISK OF INFECTION

B2.3.1 Do any of the agents listed in section B2.1 present an overt risk to humans at increased risk (including immunocompromised workers, pregnant workers, breast feeding mothers)?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, Occupational Health must be consulted:	

B2.4. PROPAGATION OR CONCENTRATION OF ADVENTITIOUS AGENTS

B2.4.1 Will any culturing of this material take place?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> YES
If yes, identify the cells and the conditions these will grow:	
Primary Myocytes cultured in T175 flasks in cell culture media in a 37 degree Celsius humidified incubator	

B2.4.2 If culturing, will CD4+ cells be present. Describe what cells and for how long these cultures will be allowed to grow

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, explain:	

B2.4.3 If culturing, what is the maximum volume of culture grown?

Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)	
Per Flask: ~10 million cells in up to 40 ml culture media	Per experiment: ~600 million/2.4L culture media (60 flasks) Cells will be concentrated to 600 million/600ml at passage

B2.4.4 Will the cells be manipulated in any way that could result in a concentration of any adventitious biological agent present?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, explain:	

B2.5 WORKING WITH MATERIAL DONATED BY YOURSELF OR COLLEAGUES :
Persons MUST NOT work with their own cells.

B2.5.1 Will any cells be donated by persons working in or has access to the lab?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, explain what precautions are to be taken to prevent that person being exposed to the cells:	
If yes, where will this material be collected:	
If yes, provide justification for not using a safer source:	
If yes, how will confidentiality be assured:	
If yes, has Ethics Committee approval been obtained:	

B2.6 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

B2.6.1 Are any of the agents capable of causing disease or other harm in animals, fish or plants?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, describe:	

B2.6.2 Will there be any other environmental risks?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, describe:	

B2.7 OTHER HAZARDS

B2.7.1 Are there any other hazards associated with this work? For example, hazardous chemicals, cryogenic gases ionising radiation.

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> YES
If yes, identify these:	
Cryogenic processing with liquid nitrogen	
If yes, have these been risk assessed and any necessary approval obtained?	
Liquid Nitrogen.- Procedures will be carried out by trained personnel in accordance with SOP013 "Use and Maintenance of Liquid Nitrogen Stores". Risk Assessment Reference: SAF/MM/1638 (amended)	

PART C: CONTROL MEASURES

C1. CONTROL MEASURES

The risk of exposure must be prevented or adequately controlled to minimise the chance of harm arising. COSHH Regulations require minimum containment measures for laboratories handling organisms from the different ACDP hazard groups (<http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/misc208.pdf>)
The hazard group number typically indicates the level of containment (includes physical measures & working practices) that must be used for its handling).

C1.1 Preventing Exposure

C1.1.1 Substitution with a Safer Alternative

Is substitution with a safer alternative practical, by for example, replacement of a clinical strain or pathogen with one that is lab adapted? Provide reasons for your answer:

No. This is a clinical cell line and is specific material supplied by the commercial partner for this work

C1.1.2 Isolation/Segregation

(i) Is/Are the laboratory(s) to be used for this work to be shared with other workers not directly involved in this activity?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

If yes, provide details:

Access to the Containment Level 2 CBE Laboratory Unit is restricted to authorised laboratory workers with appropriate training in accordance with documented local Code of Practice (COP) and Quality Management System (QMS) requirements for Containment Level 2 work activities involving biological materials (CL2).

The laboratories are locked at all times outside of normal working hours to ensure safe storage of biological agents and unauthorised entry. Keys to the laboratories are only issued to authorised users. Access is also restricted to the building (swipe card) and CBE (key entrance) during normal working hours. Out of Hours/Lone working is logged and permitted subject to risk assessment.

No cleaning personnel are permitted in the CBE Laboratory Unit. Access by other Non-Laboratory or maintenance personnel is subject to risk assessment and Permit-to-Work system documented in the local COP.

(ii) Is access to the laboratory(s) to be used for this work restricted?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

If yes, provide details:

Access is restricted to people with documented training (authorised access documented in each individual's training record) in accordance with the COP and QMS.

C1.2 Controlling Exposure

C1.2.1 Are sharps (needles, blades, scissors, forceps, glass or capillary tubes) to be used at any stage during this activity?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, list the sharps:	
If yes, justify there use – is there an alternative?:	
If yes, describe there use and disposal:	
If yes, describe any additional precautions employed to reduce risk:	

C1.2.2 Containment and Ventilation

(i) Is the use of BSC required for the protection of the worker ie do the work procedures generate aerosols or splashes that pose a risk to workers?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> YES
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If yes, specify the type(s) and when they will be used:

A Class II Biological Safety Cabinet will be used for all manipulations that may produce aerosols or splashes but is primarily used to ensure protection of research materials as part of a quality assurance discipline. Procedures to be carried according to the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP009, "Use and Maintenance of HERASAFE KS Class II BSC"
- 2) SOP052, "Use and Maintenance of Bioquell Advanced Microflow Class II Biosafety Cabinet"
- 3) SOP035, "Use and Maintenance of CompacT Select"

The Compact Select is used to seed, feed, maintain, expand and harvest human cells (primary and cell lines) cultured in bar-coded T175 conventional flasks. Both multiple individual flask cultures and multiple flask batches are maintained concurrently and processed without cross contamination, mix-ups or other detrimental effects. The Compact Select is the equivalent of a BSC and incubator in one unit, therefore containing any harmful aerosols and splashes inside the equipment; see section C2.2. Risk Assessment for the Compact Select SAF/MM/1956

(ii) Are there any requirements for room ventilation e.g. negative pressure, temperature control?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
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If yes, specify:

C1.2.3 Transport and Storage within the laboratory

How and where are materials to be stored?

Material listed in B2.1.1 will be stored in a cryobank or temporary storage in designated cell culture incubators according to the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP005, "Storage and Transport of Biological Materials"
- 2) SOP008, "Receipt of Hazardous Biological Material"
- 3) SOP013, "Use and Maintenance of Liquid Nitrogen Stores"
- 4) SOP017, "Use and Maintenance of the Galaxy-R Incubator"
- 5) SOP031, "Cryopreservation and Storage of Mammalian Cell Lines"
- 6) SOP053, "Use and Maintenance of the Sanyo CO2 Incubator"

Storage units are located in Laboratories H22 and H23 of the CBE Laboratory Unit

How will this material be transported within the laboratory e.g. between BSC and incubator? Detail the containment measures which will be used to prevent or contain accidental splashes or spills.

Cells will always be transferred in closed secondary containers large enough to carry the designated material. Appropriate spill response procedures are posted in the lab and documented in detail in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP005, "Storage and Transport of Biological Material"
- 2) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"

C1.2.4 Local transport out of the laboratory

How will this material be transported on-site (e.g. research material between labs on campus or movement of waste containing viable agents e.g. to a remote autoclave? Detail the containment measures which will be used to prevent or contain accidental splashes or spills

Transfer outside the CBE Laboratory Unit is not anticipated but any requirement is likely to be constrained within the University site. All transport will be subject to controlled procedures according to the local COP and SOP005 (see below). For example, if necessary, transfers will use double containment procedures Transport of research material between laboratories is done using sealed containers which are put into tube racks and trays and transported using trolleys according to the following SOPs. Waste potentially containing viable agents is not removed from the laboratories until it has been autoclaved.

- 1) SOP003, "Disposal of Biological Waste"
- 2) SOP005, "Storage and Transport of Biological Material"
- 3) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"

C1.2.5 Shipment of Biological Material

**Will this material be shipped elsewhere in the UK or abroad?*

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

If yes, give details to support compliance to the relevant regulation (e.g. category of material, correct packaging instruction):

This is 'Category B' material and will be packaged in compliance procedures detailed in SOP005, Storage and Transport of Biological Material, the local COP and the full guidelines found at the HSE website. In short this includes a leak proof inner receptacle, a secondary container secured in cushioning and absorbent material sufficient to absorb the entire contents of the inner receptacle, and an outer container. The packaging will be robust enough to withstand a drop of at least 1.2 metres and will be marked externally with a black diamond containing the identifier 'UN 3373'.

**see The Managing the risks in laboratories and healthcare premises – available at <http://www.hse.gov.uk/biosafety/biologagents.pdf>*

If material will be received from other sites or organisations, what precautions are being taken to ensure that the material is shipped correctly?

The material listed in B2.1.1 will be shipped from Cook Myosite in the USA according to their own Quality Management procedures. The procedure for the safe receipt of packages containing potentially biohazardous material and their delivery to the appropriate recipient or other designated personnel is documented in SOP008; "Receipt of Hazardous Biological Material". This SOP is intended to minimize the consequences that could result from the failure of packaging methods and materials used to ship biohazardous materials.

C1.2.7 Centrifugation

(i) If material is to be centrifuged will sealed buckets and rotors be used?

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Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	YES
<i>(ii) Where will these rotors/buckets be opened?</i>	
<p>Sealed buckets will be opened within the Containment Level 2 (CL2) Laboratory Unit, unless there is evidence of a potential spillage, in which case the sealed buckets will be opened in the BSC (SOP009, "Use and Maintenance of HERASAFE KS Class II BSC", SOP052, "Use and Maintenance of Bioquell Advanced Microflow Biosafety Cabinet").</p>	
<p>The centrifuge is operated and maintained according to the following SOPs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) SOP015, "Use and maintenance of BOECO U032R Centrifuge" 2) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response" 3) SOP047, "Use and Maintenance of the Fisher Accuspin Micro-R Centrifuge" 	
<i>(iii) Describe the procedures in place to deal with leaks and spillages in the centrifuge</i>	
<p>Procedures to prevent, contain and respond to leakages and spillages in the centrifuge are detailed in the following SOPs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) SOP015, "Use and Maintenance of BOECO U032R Centrifuge" 2) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response" 3) SOP047, "Use and Maintenance of the Fisher Accuspin Micro-R Centrifuge" 	
<p>Labelled Biological Spill kits are located in each laboratory within the CBE Laboratory Unit. Signs are posted throughout the Laboratory Unit to enable workers to locate the nearest biological (and chemical) spill kits. A biological spill kit is available in Goods Inwards (Wolfson School). Posters are also displayed in each laboratory where a centrifuge is located to advise on spill response and reporting procedures.</p>	

C1.2.8 Incubators

If incubators are to be used, what type of incubator (e.g. shaking, static) is used and describe procedures to prevent and contain spillages.

Static incubators are used. Procedures to prevent, contain and respond to spillages in the incubators are detailed in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP017, "Use and Maintenance of the Galaxy-R Incubator"
- 2) SOP053, "Use and Maintenance of Sanyo C02 Incubator"
- 3) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"

C1.2.9 Disinfection

Specify the type and concentration of disinfectants to be used:

The disinfectants were carefully chosen for effectiveness in use. The number of disinfectants in use is strictly limited to avoid errors and ambiguities in use and accidental mixing of compounds that may give rise to hazardous reactions or the formation of toxic products. Unless there are compelling reasons to do otherwise, Virkon (1% w/v) is the sole disinfectant used in the laboratories other than 70% IMS which is used for general disinfection cleaning (SOP004) where Virkon cannot be used; for example stainless steel surfaces.

Virkon has a wide range of bactericidal, virucidal, fungicidal and sporocidal activities. Representative viruses from all the major virus families are inactivated by Virkon. Working solutions of 1% w/v have low toxicity and no irritancy. Selection and procedures detailed in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP004, "General Laboratory Housekeeping"
- 2) SOP006, "Selection and Use of Virkon Disinfectant"
- 3) SOP039, "Storage, Handling and Disposal of Chemicals"

COSHH Risk Assessment reference for Virkon SAF/MM/1745

Have these disinfectants been validated for use with the recipient biological material?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

YES

If yes, describe the procedure:

For Hazard Group 1 and 2 Biological agents it is normally be sufficient to rely on the manufacturers data, providing the recommended concentrations and contact times are used. Hence Virkon (1%) is used as per manufacturers instruction and according to standard procedures detailed in the COP and the following SOP:

- 1) SOP006, "Selection and Use of Virkon Disinfectant"

C1.2.10 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

(i) *What type of lab coats will be worn and where will they be stored?*

Side fastening Howie type lab coats are worn. They are stored outside the laboratories in purposely designed change rooms. Proper use of PPE is described in the following SOP: SOP037, "Use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)"

(ii) *What type of gloves will be worn and where will they be stored?*

1. Autoclave gloves, which will be stored in close proximity to the autoclave equipment in the Autoclave Room (H31) and the Automated Cell Culture Suite (H21/H22).
2. Cryogenic gloves, which will be stored in close proximity to the Liquid Nitrogen storage containers located in Gas Pod 3, Analytical Lab (H23)
3. Latex powder free gloves for general use, which will be stored in the change rooms and point of entry to each laboratory within the CBE Laboratory Unit.

Correct use of PPE is described in SOP037, "Use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)"

(iii) *Describe any other PPE to be used:*

1. Laboratory safety glasses (including those for spectacle wearers)
2. Face Shields (primarily for handling liquid nitrogen)
3. Shoe covers, in case of a spillage
4. Aprons or disposable lab coats for extra protection over Howie type laboratory coat.

Correct use of the above PPE is described in SOP037, "Use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)"

C1.2.11 Hygiene Measures

Describe the hygiene facilities available and where they are located

1. Designated hand washing facilities are located in each laboratory change room and in the Analytical Laboratory (H23).
2. Eye Wash stations are located next to each 'hand washing only' sink in each laboratory change room and in the Analytical Laboratory (H23).

C1.2.12 Vaccination

Are effective vaccines available against any of the agents listed in Section 1, 2, 3, or 4 of Part B?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

N/R

If yes, describe:

C1.2.13 Waste Treatment before Disposal

How must waste to be treated before disposal and how has it been validated as being effective?

	Treatment before disposal	Validation
Liquid waste	Virkon sterilise (SOP003 – Disposal of biological waste)	According to manufacturers instructions; see section C2.1.9
Solid waste	Autoclave sterilise (SOP003 – disposal and disinfection of biological waste)	Treatment Cycle validated according to SOP054, " Use and maintenance of the Systec Series 200 Autoclave"

C1.2.14 Autoclave sterilisation

If waste is treated by autoclave sterilisation then this section must be completed. If this section is not relevant then hatch the box

	Type of waste	Autoclave cycle (temp, cycle time)	Treatment monitor
Liquid waste			
Solid waste	Cell Culture consumables	121°C for 15 minutes (under cyclical vacuum)	Designated Autoclave tape monitors
Location of autoclave	Servicing details	Location of back-up autoclave	Designated area for storage of unsterilised waste
Automated Cell Culture Suite (H21/22) within the CBE Laboratory Unit i.e. same location as intended work	Annual	Temporary location Lab 208B (Wolfson School) under SOP005, "Storage & Transport of Biological Material"	In secure cage within the Autoclave Room (H31)

C1.2.15 Liquid Waste Disposal

How will liquid waste be disposed of?

To the drain?

Yes: With copious amounts of water in accordance with SOP003 – " Disposal of biological waste"

As solid waste?

No

Other?

None

C1.2.16 Solid Waste Disposal

Describe the waste category and disposal route. (For guidance refer to <http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk>). Hatch the relevant Box(es).

European Waste Catalogue Code	Categorisation		Disposal Method
		Hatch relevant box(es)	
18 01 01	Sharps		Sharps bin>autoclave sterilisation if known or potentially infected >clinical waste disposal (incineration)

18 01 02 [human]	Human body parts, organs, including blood bags and blood preserves and excreta (unless identified as medium or high risk or known infected in Section 2.16 of this RA in which case they must be pre-treated before disposal and classified 18 01 04 [sealed bins])		Rigid one way sealed tissue bins>incineration only
18 01 02 [animal]	Animal body carcasses or recognisable parts ((unless identified as medium or high risk or known infected in Section 2.16 of this RA in which case they must be pre-treated before disposal and classified 18 01 04 [sealed bins])		Rigid one way sealed tissue bins > incineration only
18 01 03	Potentially or known infected lab wastes (including sharps) of HG2, GM Class 2, DEFRA Cat 2 or higher, that have not been pre-treated before leaving the site.		This is not a route of preference and is subject to special requirements
18 01 04 [bags]	Infected or potentially infected lab wastes that have been pre treated before leaving the site		Disinfection or sterilisation (as identified in C1.2.13) in the lab suite > placement in yellow clinical waste bags > clinical waste disposal (incineration)
18 01 04 [sealed bins]	Infected or potentially infected animal or human body parts, organs or excreta that have been pre treated before leaving site		Disinfection or sterilisation (as identified in C1.2.13) in the lab suite > placement in yellow one way sealed tissue bins > incineration)

C1.2.17 Work with Animals or Vectors (if none proceed to Section C1.2.18)

(i) Are animals or vectors to be infected with any of these biological agents? Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)		N/R
If yes, describe the procedure and describe where this aspect of the work will be conducted:		
(ii) Is shedding of infectious materials by the infected animals possible or expected? Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)		N/R
If yes, describe the routes of shedding, risk periods for such shedding and the additional precautions required to control exposure:		
(iii) Who will perform the inoculations of animals/vectors? What training have they received? Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)		
N/R Provide details of the training required:		

C1.2.18 Bioreactor/Fermenters (if none proceed to Section C1.2.19)

Will a fermenter be used to culture a pathogen? Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)		NO
If yes, describe the size, and type of the fermenter.		
(ii) Are any supplementary containment measures required, for example, the use of a BSC or spill tray. Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)		N/R

If yes, describe:

C1.2.19 Other Control Measures Required?

None

C1.3 Emergency Procedures

C1.3.1 Describe the procedures in place for dealing with spillages (specify disinfectants and any special containment for large volumes)

Within the BSC:

Procedures for dealing with small and large spillages are detailed in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP006, "Selection and use of Virkon Disinfectant"
- 2) SOP009, "Use and Maintenance of HERASAFE KS Class II BSC"
- 3) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"
- 4) SOP052, "Use and Maintenance of Bioquell Advanced Microflow Biosafety Cabinet"

Labelled Biological Spill kits are located in each laboratory within the CBE Laboratory Unit. Signs are posted throughout the Laboratory Unit to enable workers to locate the nearest biological (and chemical) spill kits. A biological spill kit is available in Goods Inwards (Wolfson School). Posters are also displayed in each laboratory within the Unit where a BSC is located to advise on spill response (inside the BSC) and reporting procedures.

Within the laboratory but outside the control measure e.g. BSC, spill tray

Procedures for dealing with small and large spillages are detailed in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP006, "Selection and use of Virkon Disinfectant"
- 2) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"

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Outside the laboratory e.g. during transport

Procedures for dealing with small and large spillages are detailed in the COP and the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP005, "Storage and Transport of Biological Material"
- 2) SOP006, "Selection and use of Virkon Disinfectant"
- 3) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"

Describe the procedures in place for an accidental exposure (if necessary describe different procedures for different types of exposure e.g. eye splash or percutaneous inoculation)

1. Procedures to respond to accidental exposure are detailed in SOP038, "Biological Spill Response" and the local COP. These are detailed in spill response posters located in each laboratory within the Unit. Accident procedures in the case of glass or sharps injury are described in the local COP and displayed in posters located in each laboratory within the Unit
2. Designated hand washing facilities are located in each laboratory change room and in the Analytical Laboratory (H23).
3. Eye Wash stations are located next to each 'hand washing only' sink in each laboratory change room and in the Analytical Laboratory (H23).
4. A First Aid Kit is located outside the Laboratory Unit. Signs are posted throughout the Laboratory Unit to enable workers to locate the nearest Medical Kit. Contact details for First Aiders are posted in each laboratory within the Unit
5. Essential and Emergency Contact details are posted in each laboratory within the Unit.

C2 ASSIGNMENT OF CONTAINMENT LEVEL

The laboratory Containment Level is directly related to each of the 4 Hazard Groups; organisms categorised as HG1 (lowest hazard rating) should normally be handled in CL1 facilities (minimum level of containment), and likewise up to HG4 (highest hazard rating) in CL4 facilities (maximum level of containment). Where the identity or presence of a biological agent is not known the following rules apply: a) where uncertainty exists over the presence of pathogenic biological agent – minimum of CL2; b) where the presence of a pathogenic biological agent is known or suspected – minimum of Containment Level appropriate to the agent, where the assessment is inconclusive but where the activity might involve serious risk – minimum CL3

C2.1. What containment level is required for this work?

All procedures will be carried out under Containment level 2 (CL2) within the CL2 CBE Laboratory Unit. The work activities within this project involve biological agents (BAs) assessed as Hazard Group 2.

C2.2. Describe extra controls or derogation from certain controls

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The CompacT SelecT offers extra controls for automated cell culture processing. The CompacT SelecT (The Automation Partnership, UK) is a fully automated cell culture platform which incorporates a small 6-axis anthropomorphic robotic arm that can access 90 x T175 flask and plate incubators, controlled at 37oC under an atmosphere of 5% CO₂ (v/v). Flasks are bar-coded for identification and cell process tracking. Two flask decappers and flask holders, automated media pumping and an automatic cell counter (Cedex®, Innovartis AG, Germany) are integrated within a HEPA filtered cabinet to ensure sterility. The system allows the automation of seeding, feeding and other cell culture processes in order to maintain cell lines in standard T175 cell culture flasks. Risk Assessment reference SAF/MM/1956.

C3 FACILITIES

C3.1 Where will this work take place?

Room(s)	Building	Campus	Person in Control of area
CBE Laboratory Unit (<i>self contained suite of laboratories and ancillary rooms within the CBE</i>)	Centre for Biological Engineering	Holywell Park, Loughborough University	Carolyn Thomas Bob Temple Chris Hewitt

C4 PERSONNEL

C4.1 Names of Personnel involved in the Project

Surname	Initials	Staff ID	Position
Thomas	RT	5007730	Lecturer
Ratcliffe	E	5012183	Research Associate
Lomas	A		DTC Student

C4.2 Information, Instruction and Training

Describe the training that will be given to all those affected (directly or indirectly) by the work activity. Instruction should include the 'Local Rules' or 'Local Codes of Practice' which focus on the working instructions to be followed by all persons involved in the work activity to control or prevent exposure to hazardous biological agent(s). These should be written and readily available to all workers working at Containment Level 2. A formal record of training should be kept for all individuals working at Containment Level 2.

Formal records of training are kept for all workers authorised to work at Containment Level 2 (CL2) within the CBE CL2 Laboratory Unit. Instruction against local Code of Practice and QMS ie SOPs is provided. Including specific documented training for the Compact Select. Alex Lomas is a DTC student that will be assisting on the project as part of his DTC placement during June 2009, his formal record of training is also held within the CBE CL2 Laboratory Unit, and he is authorised to work in the Unit under supervision, he will be supervised in the laboratory at all times by E. Ratcliffe or R. Thomas.

C4.3 Relevant Experience/Training:

Surname	Experience/Training
Thomas	Documented in Personal Training File
Ratcliffe	Documented in Personal Training File
Lomas	Documented in Student Training File

C4.4 Other people who may be at risk from the activity e.g. cleaners, maintenance workers or other workers in shared laboratory

Details:

NONE: Cleaners and Maintenance workers are not authorised to enter the laboratory. All laboratory cleaning is undertaken by authorised personnel (ie CBE staff). Access for non-laboratory workers is subject to a local permit-to-work procedures. If access is needed for essential maintenance of equipment for example a clean down and decontamination of the laboratories will be performed. This will be documented with decontamination certificates and the maintenance worker fully supervised according to SOP004 " General Laboratory Housekeeping" and the local Code of Practice. Two laboratory shut downs occur every year for a week for maintenance work to be done in the CBE Laboratory Unit. Prior to these shut down weeks a full deep clean decontamination will be performed in the all laboratory areas. All other workers in the CBE Laboratory Unit are authorised personnel.

C5 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH

C5.1 Vaccination

Is an effective vaccination available for any of the pathogens associated with this work? Advice can be obtained from the Occupational Health Adviser if required. All workers involved with handling unscreened blood, blood products and other tissues are recommended to have Hepatitis B immunization

Certificate for Hepatitis B immunization documented in personal training file.

C5.2 Health Surveillance

Is health surveillance required? (Health surveillance is typically applied if working with a hazardous substance that: a) produces an identifiable disease or adverse health effect that can be related to exposure; b) there is a reasonable likelihood that the disease or effect may occur under the conditions of work, and c) there are valid techniques for detecting indications of the disease or effect).

None required

C6. NOTIFICATIONS: Human Tissue Act

C6.1.1 Relevant material covered by the Human Tissue Act

Are any of the cell, tissues or fluids to be used covered by the Human Tissue Act?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) NO

C6.1.2 Does This Work Have Ethical Approval? If Yes, Provide Details

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

Approval number: 08/H0406/122

Date obtained: 08/2008 Ethics committee name:
NHS Research Ethics Committee: Leicestershire, Northamptonshire & Rutland EC1

C6.1.3 Are other registrations/notifications required for this work? For example HSE notification under COSHH, Home Office notification under anti-terrorism, crime and security act etc

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) NO

If Yes, give details:

7. LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR ANIMAL PRODUCTS

C7.1.1 Are there any licensing requirements for this work?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) N/R

NOTE: The regulations covering the import of animal products (including tissue cultures, tissues, body fluids or fractions thereof) are in a state of flux. See the DEFRA website for details.

UNLESS THIS SECTION IS NOT RELEVANT (N/R) ie THE INTENDED WORK DOES NOT USE ANIMAL PRODUCTS - CONSULT THE LU H&S OFFICE TO REVIEW APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS BEFORE ANY SUBMISSIONS

8. DECLARATION

The declaration must be signed before submitting this assessment to the Departmental Safety Officer and University Biological Safety Officer

I, the undersigned:

- confirm that all information contained in this assessment is correct and up to date
- will ensure that **suitable and sufficient instruction, information and supervision** is provided for all individuals working on the activity

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- will ensure that no work will be carried out until this **assessment has been completed and approved** and that all necessary control measures are in place
- accept that for some Containment Level 2 and all CL3 activities a **statutory notification period of 20 days** may be required before work can commence
- that all information contained in this assessment must remain correct and up to date (the assessment should be **reviewed once a year** and whenever any **significant changes** to the work activity occur)
- will re-submit the assessment for approval if any significant changes occur

Name: Person conducting assessment	Signature	Date
E. RATCLIFFE	E. Ratcliffe	4/6/09
Name: Principal Investigator	Signature	Date
R. Thomas	R. Thomas	5/6/09

9.APPROVAL

Name: Departmental Safety Officer	Signature	Date
C.S. Bent	C.S. Bent	4/6/09
Name: University Biological Safety Officer	Signature	Date

RISK ASSESSMENT REVIEW RECORD

Risk Assessment Ref No:	SINGLE CLIENT AUTOMATION PROJECT: COOK MYOSITE (no assessment number issued)
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This risk assessment should be reviewed **annually** or more frequently if there is any change in the work, or if new information becomes available that indicates the assessment may no longer be valid. Reviews have been carried out on the following dates and either the assessment remains valid or it has been amended as indicated. This record should be attached to the amended risk assessment where appropriate.

Name of reviewer: Rob Thomas/Paul Hourd	Date: 11 th May 2009
Signature: 	

Amendments:

The above risk assessment has been reviewed following the proposed transfer of work activities involving biological agents within the Remedi WP3(ii) Project to a new Containment Level 2 facility in the Centre for Biological Engineering (CBE) at Holywell Park. The CBE facility contains self-contained, Containment Level 2 Laboratory Unit comprising 7 laboratories with ancillary rooms such as changing rooms, store rooms and an autoclave room. The CBE Laboratory Unit is a shared multi-user facility. The primary purpose of the Unit is translational research aimed at the generation of new medical therapies, healthcare technologies and associated enabling technologies with a particular focus on manufacturing and bioprocessing. Much of the work in the Unit involves biological material. The Unit has therefore been designed as a controlled environment and operates under a Quality Management System to both be compliant to the necessary regulations, to ensure research quality and relevance and to protect research materials.

This risk assessment has therefore been amended to incorporate the requirements of a new local Code of Practice and a new Quality Management System that have been drawn up (restricted access available at https://internal.lboro.ac.uk/restricted/wolfson/Healthcare_SOP/) to ensure that Containment Level 2 work within the CBE Laboratory Unit is compliant with the 2002 COSHH (amended) Regulations and the Loughborough University Biological Safety Policy.

These amendments, **highlighted in yellow**, record the minor changes to working practice (documented in revised SOPs), that are necessary to ensure that existing precautions and control measures are adequately transferred to the new facility and to ensure that there are no additional risks to laboratory personnel, workers in the entire CBE, people in the external environment or to the environment itself. Since there are no significant changes to the biological hazards (in relation to the biological agents used) or nature of the work, this risk assessment is still relevant to the work activity of the project.

RISK ASSESSMENT OF WORK WITH BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS

Please note the following before completing this form:

1. University Health and Safety Policy requires that risk assessment of all work with biological materials must be carried out in advance of work commencing. A key requirement of The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) is to assess the risks associated with any work activity involving the use of biological materials that may contain biological agents.
2. YOU SHOULD COMPLETE ALL OF PART A, THE APPROPRIATE SECTION(S) OF PART B, AND ALL OF PART C. THIS FORM SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY UNIT FOR REVIEW (VIA YOUR DEPARTMENTAL SAFETY OFFICER)
3. It is the responsibility of the Principal Investigator to ensure compliance to these requirements and that this risk assessment remains valid.
4. This risk assessment form IS NOT for assessing the risks associated with **Genetically Modified Organism** activities.

Date Submitted:	8 th July 2008	Date Approved:	17 Sept 2008
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PART A: Please provide the following general information:

School/Department			
Healthcare Engineering, Centre for Biological Engineering (CBE)			
The Project			
Title of Project: Single Client Automation Project: Cook Myosite			
Project Reference Number: Not Applicable			
Person responsible for this work (Principle Investigator):			
Name: Dr Rob Thomas		Position: Lecturer	
Department: Healthcare Engineering		University School: Wolfson School of Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering / CBE	
Person conducting this assessment			
Name: Dr Rob Thomas		Position: Lecturer	
Department:	Healthcare Engineering	Date Risk Assessment Undertaken:	08.07.08
Proposed Project Start Date:	01.08.08	Proposed Project End Date:	01.08.09

Assessment Review: <i>required at least once a year or immediately following any significant change to the project</i>				
	Review 1	Review 2	Review 3	Review 4
Due Date	08/07/2009			
Date Conducted	23/04/2009			

A1 PROJECT SUMMARY

A1.1 Scientific Goals of the Project *Brief yet clear outline only*

It is critically important to be able to reproducibly manufacture cell populations for regenerative medicine at large scale if the therapeutic potential of the industry is to be realised. This project will demonstrate the feasibility and reproducibility of automated processing of a commercial clinically important purified primary cell population derived from human skeletal muscle tissue biopsy. This is an important step in moving this cell therapy closer to clinical use for urinary stress incontinence.

A1.2 Description of the Experimental Procedures

Describe laboratory procedures to be used and highlight any non-standard laboratory operations

Lyophilised cells will be defrosted, seeded in the Class II Biological Safety Cabinet, cultured (passaged and fed) in the CompacT SelecT, harvested, refrozen, and assessed by flow cytometry. All procedures will be conducted in accordance with the laboratory Quality Management System (QMS) requirements, Good Cell Culture Practice, Good Aseptic Technique, the local Code of Practice (COP) and the Loughborough University Biological Safety Policy.

PART B: Please provide information in one or more of the following sections, as appropriate. Only sections which you complete should be submitted:

Section 1: *micro-organisms (prions, viruses, bacteria, fungi, parasites in ACDP category 2 and pathogens controlled by the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs). [Work with ACDP category 3 and 4 pathogens is not currently permitted in the University.]*

Section 2: *cell cultures, tissues, blood, body fluids or excreta*

Section 3: *plants and plant material*

Section 4: *animals and animal tissues*

SECTION 2: CELL CULTURES, TISSUES, BLOOD, BODY FLUIDS OR EXCRETA

B2.1 HAZARD AND RISK IDENTIFICATION: NATURE OF CELLS, TISSUES OR BODY FLUIDS

This information gives an indication of the potential harm that the biological material may cause

B2.1.1 List all cells or tissues to be used. For cells indicate if primary, continuous or finite.

Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)			
Cell or tissue type and ID	Organ Source	Species	From where will it be obtained?
Primary Myocyte cells	Skeletal Muscle (thigh)	Human	Cook Myosite Inc, Pittsburgh, USA

B2.1.2 List all blood, body fluids or excreta to be used

Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)			
Material type and ID	Organ Source	Species	From where will it be obtained?

B2.1.3 Has any material listed in section B2.1.1 been genetically modified in any way?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	NO
If Yes, complete Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) Risk Assessment Form	

B2.1.4 Will material be screened for infectious agents (if from a cell culture collection answer B2.1.6)?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	
If Yes, provide details of the types of screening and agents screened for:	
Donor Screening Policy includes the following serology tests:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hepatitis B Surface Antigen• Hepatitis B CORE Total Antibody• HCV Antibody• HTLV I-II Antibody• HIV I-II Antibody• RPR• ABO/Rh• HIV-Antigen (P24)• CMV IgG and CMV IgM	
Document attached.	
* (All Material Safety Data Sheets will be held in a folder in the Centre for Biological Engineering Research Office)	

B2.1.5 Will any clinical history (if relevant) be provided with this material?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	N/R
If yes give details:	
If yes, will a policy of rejection of samples from diseased patients be adopted? Explain	
If yes, how will the information be disseminated in the course of the project?	
If yes, will this information be anonymised?	

B2.1.6 If obtained from a cell culture collection, is safety information provided?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	N/R
If Yes, summarise here:	

B2.2 RISK TO HUMANS**B2.2.1 What is the likelihood of infection of this material? Indicate as None, Low Risk, Medium Risk, High Risk, Known Infected***

Cell type and ID	Risk Category	Justification for Selection
Primary Myosite Cells	Low	Well authenticated/characterised primary cell line from a commercial source. Has documented provenance and screened for the most serious human pathogens. Screened as described in section B2.1.4. Hazard Group 2 requiring baseline containment level CL2
		<i>If low risk or none proceed to section B2.2.4</i>

*see *The Managing the risks in laboratories and healthcare premises – available at*
<http://www.hse.gov.uk/biosafety/biologagents.pdf>

B2.2.2 If medium or high risk (section B2.2.1), name and classify the Biological Agents this material could be infected with. List the biological agents and indicate the ACDP hazard group classification*

Name of Agent	Classification

*see *The Approved List of Biological Agents – available on the Health & Safety website or*
<http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubsns/misc208.pdf>.

B2.2.3 Describe the routes of infection (in humans) for these adventitious agents (place a 'X' in the relevant box)

Percutaneous	Mucocutaneous	Inhalation	Ingestion	N/R
Details:				

B2.2.4 Are there any other biological hazards (other than adventitious infectious risk) associated with the materials e.g. tumourogenic cells

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If Yes, describe:	

B2.3 HUMANS AT INCREASED RISK OF INFECTION

B2.3.1 Do any of the agents listed in section B2.1 present an overt risk to humans at increased risk (including immunocompromised workers, pregnant workers, breast feeding mothers)?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, Occupational Health must be consulted:	

B2.4. PROPAGATION OR CONCENTRATION OF ADVENTITIOUS AGENTS

B2.4.1 Will any culturing of this material take place?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> YES
If yes, identify the cells and the conditions these will grow:	
Primary Myocytes cultured in T175 flasks in cell culture media in a 37 degree Celsius humidified incubator	

B2.4.2 If culturing, will CD4+ cells be present. Describe what cells and for how long these cultures will be allowed to grow

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, explain:	

B2.4.3 If culturing, what is the maximum volume of culture grown?

Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)	
Per Flask: ~10 million cells in up to 40 ml culture media	Per experiment: ~600 million/2.4L culture media (60 flasks) Cells will be concentrated to 600 million/600ml at passage

B2.4.4 Will the cells be manipulated in any way that could result in a concentration of any adventitious biological agent present?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, explain:	

B2.5 WORKING WITH MATERIAL DONATED BY YOURSELF OR COLLEAGUES :

Persons MUST NOT work with their own cells.

B2.5.1 Will any cells be donated by persons working in or has access to the lab?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, explain what precautions are to be taken to prevent that person being exposed to the cells:	
If yes, where will this material be collected:	
If yes, provide justification for not using a safer source:	
If yes, how will confidentiality be assured:	
If yes, has Ethics Committee approval been obtained:	

B2.6 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

B2.6.1 Are any of the agents capable of causing disease or other harm in animals, fish or plants?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, describe:	

B2.6.2 Will there be any other environmental risks?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, describe:	

B2.7 OTHER HAZARDS

B2.7.1 Are there any other hazards associated with this work? For example, hazardous chemicals, cryogenic gases ionising radiation.

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	<input type="checkbox"/> YES
If yes, identify these:	
Cryogenic processing with liquid nitrogen	
If yes, have these been risk assessed and any necessary approval obtained?	
Liquid Nitrogen.- Procedures will be carried out by trained personnel in accordance with SOP013 "Use and Maintenance of Liquid Nitrogen Stores". Risk Assessment Reference: SAF/MM/1638 (amended)	

PART C: CONTROL MEASURES

C1. CONTROL MEASURES

The risk of exposure must be prevented or adequately controlled to minimise the chance of harm arising. COSHH Regulations require minimum containment measures for laboratories handling organisms from the different ACDP hazard groups (<http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/misc208.pdf>) The hazard group number typically indicates the level of containment (includes physical measures & working practices) that must be used for its handling).

C1.1 Preventing Exposure

C1.1.1 Substitution with a Safer Alternative

Is substitution with a safer alternative practical, by for example, replacement of a clinical strain or pathogen with one that is lab adapted? Provide reasons for your answer:

No. This is a clinical cell line and is specific material supplied by the commercial partner for this work

C1.1.2 Isolation/Segregation

(i) Is/Are the laboratory(s) to be used for this work to be shared with other workers not directly involved in this activity?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

If yes, provide details:

Access to the Containment Level 2 CBE Laboratory Unit is restricted to authorised laboratory workers with appropriate training in accordance with documented local Code of Practice (COP) and Quality Management System (QMS) requirements for Containment Level 2 work activities involving biological materials (CL2).

The laboratories are locked at all times outside of normal working hours to ensure safe storage of biological agents and unauthorised entry. Keys to the laboratories are only issued to authorised users. Access is also restricted to the building (swipe card) and CBE (key entrance) during normal working hours. Out of Hours/Lone working is logged and permitted subject to risk assessment.

No cleaning personnel are permitted in the CBE Laboratory Unit. Access by other Non-Laboratory or maintenance personnel is subject to risk assessment and Permit-to-Work system documented in the local COP.

(ii) Is access to the laboratory(s) to be used for this work restricted?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

If yes, provide details:

Access is restricted to people with documented training (authorised access documented in each individual's training record) in accordance with the COP and QMS.

C1.2 Controlling Exposure

C1.2.1 Are sharps (needles, blades, scissors, forceps, glass or capillary tubes) to be used at any stage during this activity?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) NO

If yes, list the sharps:

If yes, justify there use – is there an alternative?:

If yes, describe there use and disposal:

If yes, describe any additional precautions employed to reduce risk:

C1.2.2 Containment and Ventilation

(i) Is the use of BSC required for the protection of the worker ie do the work procedures generate aerosols or splashes that pose a risk to workers?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

If yes, specify the type(s) and when they will be used:

A Class II Biological Safety Cabinet will be used for all manipulations that may produce aerosols or splashes but is primarily used to ensure protection of research materials as part of a quality assurance discipline. Procedures to be carried according to the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP009, "Use and Maintenance of HERASAFE KS Class II BSC"
- 2) SOP052, "Use and Maintenance of Bioquell Advanced Microflow Class II Biosafety Cabinet"
- 3) SOP035, "Use and Maintenance of CompacT Select"

The Compact Select is used to seed, feed, maintain, expand and harvest human cells (primary and cell lines) cultured in bar-coded T175 conventional flasks. Both multiple individual flask cultures and multiple flask batches are maintained concurrently and processed without cross contamination, mix-ups or other detrimental effects. The Compact Select is the equivalent of a BSC and incubator in one unit, therefore containing any harmful aerosols and splashes inside the equipment; see section C2.2. Risk Assessment for the Compact Select SAF/MM/1956

(ii) Are there any requirements for room ventilation e.g. negative pressure, temperature control?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) NO

If yes, specify:

C1.2.3 Transport and Storage within the laboratory

How and where are materials to be stored?

Material listed in B2.1.1 will be stored in a cryobank or temporary storage in designated cell culture incubators according to the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP005, "Storage and Transport of Biological Materials"
- 2) SOP008, "Receipt of Hazardous Biological Material"
- 3) SOP013, "Use and Maintenance of Liquid Nitrogen Stores"
- 4) SOP017, "Use and Maintenance of the Galaxy-R Incubator"
- 5) SOP031, "Cryopreservation and Storage of Mammalian Cell Lines"
- 6) SOP053, "Use and Maintenance of the Sanyo CO2 Incubator"

Storage units are located in Laboratories H22 and H23 of the CBE Laboratory Unit

How will this material be transported within the laboratory e.g. between BSC and incubator? Detail the containment measures which will be used to prevent or contain accidental splashes or spills.

Cells will always be transferred in closed secondary containers large enough to carry the designated material. Appropriate spill response procedures are posted in the lab and documented in detail in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP005, "Storage and Transport of Biological Material"
- 2) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"

C1.2.4 Local transport out of the laboratory

How will this material be transported on-site (e.g. research material between labs on campus or movement of waste containing viable agents e.g. to a remote autoclave? Detail the containment measures which will be used to prevent or contain accidental splashes or spills

Transfer outside the CBE Laboratory Unit is not anticipated but any requirement is likely to be constrained within the University site. All transport will be subject to controlled procedures according to the local COP and SOP005 (see below). For example, if necessary, transfers will use double containment procedures. Transport of research material between laboratories is done using sealed containers which are put into tube racks and trays and transported using trolleys according to the following SOPs. Waste potentially containing viable agents is not removed from the laboratories until it has been autoclaved.

- 1) SOP003, "Disposal of Biological Waste"
- 2) SOP005, "Storage and Transport of Biological Material"
- 3) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"

C1.2.5 Shipment of Biological Material

**Will this material be shipped elsewhere in the UK or abroad?*

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

If yes, give details to support compliance to the relevant regulation (e.g. category of material, correct packaging instruction):

This is 'Category B' material and will be packaged in compliance procedures detailed in SOP005, Storage and Transport of Biological Material, the local COP and the full guidelines found at the HSE website. In short this includes a leak proof inner receptacle, a secondary container secured in cushioning and absorbent material sufficient to absorb the entire contents of the inner receptacle, and an outer container. The packaging will be robust enough to withstand a drop of at least 1.2 metres and will be marked externally with a black diamond containing the identifier 'UN 3373'.

***see The Managing the risks in laboratories and healthcare premises – available at**
<http://www.hse.gov.uk/biosafety/biologagents.pdf>

If material will be received from other sites or organisations, what precautions are being taken to ensure that the material is shipped correctly?

The material listed in B2.1.1 will be shipped from Cook Myosite in the USA according to their own Quality Management procedures. The procedure for the safe receipt of packages containing potentially biohazardous material and their delivery to the appropriate recipient or other designated personnel is documented in SOP008; "Receipt of Hazardous Biological Material". This SOP is intended to minimize the consequences that could result from the failure of packaging methods and materials used to ship biohazardous materials.

C1.2.7 Centrifugation

(i) If material is to be centrifuged will sealed buckets and rotors be used?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

(ii) Where will these rotors/buckets be opened?

Sealed buckets will be opened within the Containment Level 2 (CL2) Laboratory Unit, unless there is evidence of a potential spillage, in which case the sealed buckets will be opened in the BSC (SOP009, "Use and Maintenance of HERASAFE KS Class II BSC", SOP052, "Use and Maintenance of Bioquell Advanced Microflow Biosafety Cabinet").

The centrifuge is operated and maintained according to the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP015, "Use and maintenance of BOECO U032R Centrifuge"
- 2) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"
- 3) SOP047, "Use and Maintenance of the Fisher Accuspin Micro-R Centrifuge"

(iii) Describe the procedures in place to deal with leaks and spillages in the centrifuge

Procedures to prevent, contain and respond to leakages and spillages in the centrifuge are detailed in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP015, "Use and Maintenance of BOECO U032R Centrifuge"
- 2) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"
- 3) SOP047, "Use and Maintenance of the Fisher Accuspin Micro-R Centrifuge"

Labelled Biological Spill kits are located in each laboratory within the CBE Laboratory Unit. Signs are posted throughout the Laboratory Unit to enable workers to locate the nearest biological (and chemical) spill kits. A biological spill kit is available in Goods Inwards (Wolfson School). Posters are also displayed in each laboratory where a centrifuge is located to advise on spill response and reporting procedures.

C1.2.8 Incubators

If incubators are to be used, what type of incubator (e.g. shaking, static) is used and describe procedures to prevent and contain spillages.

Static incubators are used. Procedures to prevent, contain and respond to spillages in the incubators are detailed in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP017, "Use and Maintenance of the Galaxy-R Incubator"
- 2) SOP053, "Use and Maintenance of Sanyo C02 Incubator"
- 3) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"

C1.2.9 Disinfection

Specify the type and concentration of disinfectants to be used:

The disinfectants were carefully chosen for effectiveness in use. The number of disinfectants in use is strictly limited to avoid errors and ambiguities in use and accidental mixing of compounds that may give rise to hazardous reactions or the formation of toxic products. Unless there are compelling reasons to do otherwise, Virkon (1% w/v) is the sole disinfectant used in the laboratories other than 70% IMS which is used for general disinfection cleaning (SOP004) where Virkon cannot be used; for example stainless steel surfaces.

Virkon has a wide range of bactericidal, virucidal, fungicidal and sporocidal activities. Representative viruses from all the major virus families are inactivated by Virkon. Working solutions of 1% w/v have low toxicity and no irritancy. Selection and procedures detailed in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP004, "General Laboratory Housekeeping"
- 2) SOP006, "Selection and Use of Virkon Disinfectant"
- 3) SOP039, "Storage, Handling and Disposal of Chemicals"

COSHH Risk Assessment reference for Virkon SAF/MM/1745

Have these disinfectants been validated for use with the recipient biological material?	
Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	YES
If yes, describe the procedure:	
<p>For Hazard Group 1 and 2 Biological agents it is normally be sufficient to rely on the manufacturers data, providing the recommended concentrations and contact times are used. Hence Virkon (1%) is used as per manufacturers instruction and according to standard procedures detailed in the COP and the following SOP:</p> <p>1) SOP006, "Selection and Use of Virkon Disinfectant"</p>	

C1.2.10 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

<p>(i) <i>What type of lab coats will be worn and where will they be stored?</i></p> <p>Side fastening Howie type lab coats are worn. They are stored outside the laboratories in purposely designed change rooms. Proper use of PPE is described in the following SOP: SOP037, "Use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)"</p>	
<p>(ii) <i>What type of gloves will be worn and where will they be stored?</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Autoclave gloves, which will be stored in close proximity to the autoclave equipment in the Autoclave Room (H31) and the Automated Cell Culture Suite (H21/H22). Cryogenic gloves, which will be stored in close proximity to the Liquid Nitrogen storage containers located in Gas Pod 3, Analytical Lab (H23) Latex powder free gloves for general use, which will be stored in the change rooms and point of entry to each laboratory within the CBE Laboratory Unit. <p>Correct use of PPE is described in SOP037, "Use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)"</p>	
<p>(iii) <i>Describe any other PPE to be used:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Laboratory safety glasses (including those for spectacle wearers) Face Shields (primarily for handling liquid nitrogen) Shoe covers, in case of a spillage Aprons or disposable lab coats for extra protection over Howie type laboratory coat. <p>Correct use of the above PPE is described in SOP037, "Use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)"</p>	

C1.2.11 Hygiene Measures

<p><i>Describe the hygiene facilities available and where they are located</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Designated hand washing facilities are located in each laboratory change room and in the Analytical Laboratory (H23). Eye Wash stations are located next to each 'hand washing only' sink in each laboratory change room and in the Analytical Laboratory (H23). 	
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C1.2.12 Vaccination

Are effective vaccines available against any of the agents listed in Section 1, 2, 3, or 4 of Part B?	
Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	N/R
If yes, describe:	

C1.2.13 Waste Treatment before Disposal

How must waste to be treated before disposal and how has it been validated as being effective?		
	Treatment before disposal	Validation
Liquid waste	Virkon sterilise (SOP003 – Disposal of biological waste)	According to manufacturers instructions; see section C2.1.9
Solid waste	Autoclave sterilise (SOP003 – disposal and disinfection of biological waste)	Treatment Cycle validated according to SOP054, " Use and maintenance of the Systec Series 200 Autoclave"

C1.2.14 Autoclave sterilisation

If waste is treated by autoclave sterilisation then this section must be completed. If this section is not relevant then hatch the box			
	Type of waste	Autoclave cycle (temp, cycle time)	Treatment monitor
Liquid waste			
Solid waste	Cell Culture consumables	121 °C for 15 minutes (under cyclical vacuum)	Designated Autoclave tape monitors
Location of autoclave	Servicing details	Location of back-up autoclave	Designated area for storage of unsterilised waste
Automated Cell Culture Suite (H21/22) within the CBE Laboratory Unit i.e. same location as intended work	Annual	Temporary location Lab 208B (Wolfson School) under SOP005, "Storage & Transport of Biological Material"	In secure cage within the Autoclave Room (H31)

C1.2.15 Liquid Waste Disposal

How will liquid waste be disposed of?			
To the drain?			
Yes: With copious amounts of water in accordance with SOP003 – " Disposal of biological waste"			
As solid waste?			

C1.2.16 Solid Waste Disposal

Describe the waste category and disposal route. (For guidance refer to <http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk>). Hatch the relevant Box(es).

European Waste Catalogue Code	Categorisation		Disposal Method
		Hatch relevant box(es)	
18 01 01	Sharps		Sharps bin>autoclave sterilisation if known or potentially infected >clinical waste disposal (incineration)

18 01 02 [human]	Human body parts, organs, including blood bags and blood preserves and excreta (unless identified as medium or high risk or known infected in Section 2.16 of this RA in which case they must be pre-treated before disposal and classified 18 01 04 [sealed bins])		Rigid one way sealed tissue bins>incineration only
18 01 02 [animal]	Animal body carcasses or recognisable parts ((unless identified as medium or high risk or known infected in Section 2.16 of this RA in which case they must be pre-treated before disposal and classified 18 01 04 [sealed bins])		Rigid one way sealed tissue bins > incineration only
18 01 03	Potentially or known infected lab wastes (including sharps) of HG2, GM Class 2, DEFRA Cat 2 or higher, that have not been pre-treated before leaving the site.		This is not a route of preference and is subject to special requirements
18 01 04 [bags]	Infected or potentially infected lab wastes that have been pre treated before leaving the site		Disinfection or sterilisation (as identified in C1.2.13) in the lab suite > placement in yellow clinical waste bags > clinical waste disposal (incineration)
18 01 04 [sealed bins]	Infected or potentially infected animal or human body parts, organs or excreta that have been pre treated before leaving site		Disinfection or sterilisation (as identified in C1.2.13) in the lab suite > placement in yellow one way sealed tissue bins > incineration)

C1.2.17 Work with Animals or Vectors (if none proceed to Section C1.2.18)

(i) Are animals or vectors to be infected with any of these biological agents? Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	N/R
If yes, describe the procedure and describe where this aspect of the work will be conducted:	
(ii) Is shedding of infectious materials by the infected animals possible or expected? Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	
N/R	
If yes, describe the routes of shedding, risk periods for such shedding and the additional precautions required to control exposure:	
(iii) Who will perform the inoculations of animals/vectors? What training have they received? Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)	
N/R	
Provide details of the training required:	

C1.2.18 Bioreactor/Fermenters (if none proceed to Section C1.2.19)

Will a fermenter be used to culture a pathogen? Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	NO
If yes, describe the size, and type of the fermenter.	
(ii) Are any supplementary containment measures required, for example, the use of a BSC or spill tray. Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	
N/R	

If yes, describe:

C1.2.19 Other Control Measures Required?

None

C1.3 Emergency Procedures

C1.3.1 Describe the procedures in place for dealing with spillages (specify disinfectants and any special containment for large volumes)

Within the BSC:

Procedures for dealing with small and large spillages are detailed in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP006, "Selection and use of Virkon Disinfectant"
- 2) SOP009, "Use and Maintenance of HERASAFE KS Class II BSC"
- 3) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"
- 4) SOP052, "Use and Maintenance of Bioquell Advanced Microflow Biosafety Cabinet"

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Within the laboratory but outside the control measure e.g. BSC, spill tray

Procedures for dealing with small and large spillages are detailed in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP006, "Selection and use of Virkon Disinfectant"
- 2) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"

Labelled Biological Spill kits are located in each laboratory within the CBE Laboratory Unit. Signs are posted throughout the Laboratory Unit to enable workers to locate the nearest biological (and chemical) spill kits. A biological spill kit is available in Goods Inwards (Wolfson School). Posters are also displayed in each laboratory within the Unit to advise on spill response (outside the BSC) and reporting procedures.

Outside the laboratory e.g. during transport

Procedures for dealing with small and large spillages are detailed in the COP and the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP005, "Storage and Transport of Biological Material"
- 2) SOP006, "Selection and use of Virkon Disinfectant"
- 3) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"

Describe the procedures in place for an accidental exposure (if necessary describe different procedures for different types of exposure e.g. eye splash or percutaneous inoculation)

1. Procedures to respond to accidental exposure are detailed in SOP038, "Biological Spill Response" and the local COP. These are detailed in spill response posters located in each laboratory within the Unit. Accident procedures in the case of glass or sharps injury are described in the local COP and displayed in posters located in each laboratory within the Unit
2. Designated hand washing facilities are located in each laboratory change room and in the Analytical Laboratory (H23).
3. Eye Wash stations are located next to each 'hand washing only' sink in each laboratory change room and in the Analytical Laboratory (H23).
4. A First Aid Kit is located outside the Laboratory Unit. Signs are posted throughout the Laboratory Unit to enable workers to locate the nearest Medical Kit. Contact details for First Aiders are posted in each laboratory within the Unit
5. Essential and Emergency Contact details are posted in each laboratory within the Unit.

C2 ASSIGNMENT OF CONTAINMENT LEVEL

The laboratory Containment Level is directly related to each of the 4 Hazard Groups; organisms categorised as HG1 (lowest hazard rating) should normally be handled in CL1 facilities (minimum level of containment), and likewise up to HG4 (highest hazard rating) in CL4 facilities (maximum level of containment). Where the identity or presence of a biological agent is not known the following rules apply: a) where uncertainty exists over the presence of pathogenic biological agent – minimum of CL2; b) where the presence of a pathogenic biological agent is known or suspected – minimum of Containment Level appropriate to the agent, where the assessment is inconclusive but where the activity might involve serious risk – minimum CL3

C2.1. What containment level is required for this work?

All procedures will be carried out under Containment level 2 (CL2) within the CL2 CBE Laboratory Unit. The work activities within this project involve biological agents (BAs) assessed as Hazard Group 2.

C2.2. Describe extra controls or derogation from certain controls

The CompacT SelecT offers extra controls for automated cell culture processing. The CompacT SelecT (The Automation Partnership, UK) is a fully automated cell culture platform which incorporates a small 6-axis anthropomorphic robotic arm that can access 90 x T175 flask and plate incubators, controlled at 37°C under an atmosphere of 5% CO₂ (v/v). Flasks are bar-coded for identification and cell process tracking. Two flask decappers and flask holders, automated media pumping and an automatic cell counter (Cedex®, Innovartis AG, Germany) are integrated within a HEPA filtered cabinet to ensure sterility. The system allows the automation of seeding, feeding and other cell culture processes in order to maintain cell lines in standard T175 cell culture flasks. Risk Assessment reference SAF/MM/1956.

C3 FACILITIES

C3.1 Where will this work take place?

Room(s)	Building	Campus	Person in Control of area
CBE Laboratory Unit (<i>self contained suite of laboratories and ancillary rooms within the CBE</i>)	Centre for Biological Engineering	Holywell Park, Loughborough University	Carolyn Thomas Bob Temple Chris Hewitt

C4 PERSONNEL

C4.1 Names of Personnel involved in the Project

Surname	Initials	Staff ID	Position
Thomas	RT	5007730	Lecturer
Ratcliffe	E	5012183	Research Associate

C4.2 Information, Instruction and Training

Describe the training that will be given to all those affected (directly or indirectly) by the work activity. Instruction should include the 'Local Rules' or 'Local Codes of Practice' which focus on the working instructions to be followed by all persons involved in the work activity to control or prevent exposure to hazardous biological agent(s). These should be written and readily available to all workers working at Containment Level 2. A formal record of training should be kept for all individuals working at Containment Level 2.

Formal records of training are kept for all workers authorised to work at Containment Level 2 (CL2) within the CBE CL2 Laboratory Unit. Instruction against local Code of Practice and QMS ie SOPs is provided. Including specific documented training for the Compact Select.

C4.3 Relevant Experience/Training:

Surname	Experience/Training
Thomas	Documented in Personal Training File
Ratcliffe	Documented in Personal Training File

C4.4 Other people who may be at risk from the activity e.g. cleaners, maintenance workers or other workers in shared laboratory

Details:

NONE: Cleaners and Maintenance workers are not authorised to enter the laboratory. All laboratory cleaning is undertaken by authorised personnel (ie CBE staff). Access for non-laboratory workers is subject to a local permit-to-work procedures. If access is needed for essential maintenance of equipment for example a clean down and decontamination of the laboratories will be performed. This will be documented with decontamination certificates and the maintenance worker fully supervised according to SOP004 " General Laboratory Housekeeping" and the local Code of Practice. Two laboratory shut downs occur every year for a week for maintenance work to be done in the CBE Laboratory Unit. Prior to these shut down weeks a full deep clean decontamination will be performed in the all laboratory areas. All other workers in the CBE Laboratory Unit are authorised personnel.

C5 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH

C5.1 Vaccination

Is an effective vaccination available for any of the pathogens associated with this work? Advice can be obtained from the Occupational Health Adviser if required. All workers involved with handling unscreened blood, blood products and other tissues are recommended to have Hepatitis B immunization

Certificate for Hepatitis B immunization documented in personal training file.

C5.2 Health Surveillance

Is health surveillance required? (Health surveillance is typically applied if working with a hazardous substance that: a) produces an identifiable disease or adverse health effect that can be related to exposure; b) there is a

reasonable likelihood that the disease or effect may occur under the conditions of work, and c) there are valid techniques for detecting indications of the disease or effect).

None required

C6. NOTIFICATIONS: Human Tissue Act

C6.1.1 Relevant material covered by the Human Tissue Act

Are any of the cell, tissues or fluids to be used covered by the Human Tissue Act?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

NO

C6.1.2 Does This Work Have Ethical Approval? If Yes, Provide Details

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

YES

Approval number: 08/H0406/122

Date obtained: 08/2008

Ethics committee name:

NHS Research Ethics Committee: Leicestershire, Northamptonshire & Rutland
EC1

C6.1.3 Are other registrations/notifications required for this work? For example HSE notification under COSHH, Home Office notification under anti-terrorism, crime and security act etc

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

NO

If Yes, give details:

7. LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR ANIMAL PRODUCTS

C7.1.1 Are there any licensing requirements for this work?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

N/R

NOTE: The regulations covering the import of animal products (including tissue cultures, tissues, body fluids or fractions thereof) are in a state of flux. See the DEFRA website for details.

UNLESS THIS SECTION IS NOT RELEVANT (N/R) ie THE INTENDED WORK DOES NOT USE ANIMAL PRODUCTS - CONSULT THE LU H&S OFFICE TO REVIEW APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS BEFORE ANY SUBMISSIONS

8. DECLARATION

The declaration must be signed before submitting this assessment to the Departmental Safety Officer and University Biological Safety Officer

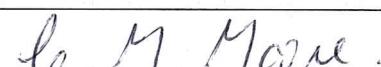
I, the undersigned:

- confirm that all information contained in this assessment is correct and up to date
- will ensure that **suitable and sufficient instruction, information and supervision** is provided for all individuals working on the activity
- will ensure that no work will be carried out until this **assessment has been completed and approved** and that all necessary control measures are in place
- accept that for some Containment Level 2 and all CL3 activities a **statutory notification period of 20 days** may be required before work can commence
- that all information contained in this assessment must remain correct and up to date (the assessment should be **reviewed once a year** and whenever any **significant changes** to the work activity occur)

- will re-submit the assessment for approval if any significant changes occur

Name: Person conducting assessment	Signature	Date
R THOMAS		7/05/09
Name: Principal Investigator	Signature	Date
R THOMAS		7/05/09

9. APPROVAL

Name: Departmental Safety Officer	Signature	Date
C.S. Hecht		11/16/09
Name: University Biological Safety Officer	Signature	Date
C.M. Moore		22/5/09

July 14, 2008

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Re: Safety of Human Cells

Dr. Thomas,

The cells to be utilized in the proposed studies will be purified primary cells derived from human skeletal muscle tissue. The Center for Organ Recovery and Education (CORE) provides these muscle specimens to Cook MyoSite Inc. (CMI) under contract. CORE's Donor Screening Policy includes the following serology tests:

- Hepatitis B Surface Antigen
- Hepatitis B CORE Total Antibody
- HCV Antibody
- HTLV I-II Antibody
- HIV I-II Antibody
- RPR
- ABO/Rh
- HIV-Antigen (P24)
- CMV IgG and CMV IgM

Documentation regarding this testing is provided to CMI for each tissue specimen obtained for cell processing. Upon request, cells utilized will also undergo a series of Quality Control tests, performed by CMI, prior to release. These tests include the following:

- Sterility – Testing is conducted according to the "Direct Transfer Method", as described in the United States Pharmacopeia (Section 71), and according to CMI standard operating procedures (SOP).
- Mycoplasma – Testing is conducted via PCR according to CMI SOPs, and includes two positive (*Mycoplasma orale* and *A. laidlawii Acholeplasma*) and one negative control.
- Endotoxin - Testing is conducted via the kinetic chromogenic Limulus Amebocyte Lysate (LAL) method according to the United States Pharmacopeia, Section 85. Testing is performed using US Food and Drug

Administration (FDA) licensed LAL reagents, chromogenic substrate and control standard endotoxin, according to CMI SOPs.

Additionally, cell processing is conducted according to good tissue practices to prevent contamination and preserve cell function and integrity, and includes defined procedures for tissue and cell handling, processing, and identification.

Please feel free to contact me if I can provide any further assistance or answer any questions relating to the safety of the human cells for the proposed study.

Sincerely,

Ron J. Jankowski, Ph.D.
Director, Research and Product Development
Cook MyoSite Inc.
105 Delta Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15238

RISK ASSESSMENT OF WORK WITH BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS

Please note the following before completing this form:

1. University Health and Safety Policy requires that risk assessment of all work with biological materials must be carried out in advance of work commencing. A key requirement of The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) is to assess the risks associated with any work activity involving the use of biological materials that may contain biological agents.
2. YOU SHOULD COMPLETE ALL OF PART A, THE APPROPRIATE SECTION(S) OF PART B, AND ALL OF PART C. THIS FORM SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY UNIT FOR REVIEW (VIA YOUR DEPARTMENTAL SAFETY OFFICER)
3. It is the responsibility of the Principal Investigator to ensure compliance to these requirements and that this risk assessment remains valid.
4. This risk assessment form **IS NOT** for assessing the risks associated with **Genetically Modified Organism activities**.

Date Submitted:	4/7/08	Date Approved:	17/09/08
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PART A: Please provide the following general information:

School/Department	
Healthcare Engineering, Wolfson School of Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering	
The Project	
Title of Project: Single Client Automation Project: Cook Myosite	
Project Reference Number: Not Applicable	
Person responsible for this work (Principle Investigator):	
Name: Dr Rob Thomas	
Position: Lecturer	
Department: Healthcare Engineering	
University School: Wolfson School of Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering	
Person conducting this assessment	
Name: Dr Rob Thomas	
Position: Lecturer	
Department:	Healthcare Engineering
Proposed Project Start Date:	01.08.08
Date Risk Assessment Undertaken:	08.07.08
Proposed Project End Date:	01.08.09

Assessment Review: required at least once a year or immediately following any significant change to the project				
	Review 1	Review 2	Review 3	Review 4
Due Date				
Date Conducted				

A1 PROJECT SUMMARY**A1.1 Scientific Goals of the Project** *Brief yet clear outline only*

To demonstrate the feasibility of automated processing of a commercial clinically important purified primary cell population derived from human skeletal muscle tissue.

A1.2 Description of the Experimental Procedures

Describe laboratory procedures to be used and highlight any non-standard laboratory operations

Lyophilised cells will be defrosted, seeded in the Class II hood, cultured (passaged and fed) in the CompacT SelecT, harvested, refrozen, and assessed by flow cytometry. All procedures will be conducted in accordance with the laboratory Quality Management System (QMS) requirements and Code of Practice (COP).

PART B: Please provide information in one or more of the following sections, as appropriate. Only sections which you complete should be submitted:

*Section 1: micro-organisms (prions, viruses, bacteria, fungi, parasites in ACDP category 2 and pathogens controlled by the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs).
[Work with ACDP category 3 and 4 pathogens is not currently permitted in the University.]*

Section 2: cell cultures, tissues, blood, body fluids or excreta

Section 3: plants and plant material

Section 4: animals and animal tissues

SECTION 1: MICRO-ORGANISMS

B1.1 HAZARD AND RISK IDENTIFICATION: NATURE OF MICRO-ORGANISMS

This information gives an indication of the potential harm that the biological material may cause

B1.1.1 List all micro-organisms to be used

Name	Strain	ADCP cat*	Source

*see *The Approved List of Biological Agents – available on the Health & Safety website*

B1.1.2 Has any strain been genetically modified in any way?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	
If Yes, complete Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) Risk Assessment Form	

B1.2 DESCRIPTION OF RISK TO HUMANS

B1.2.1 The disease(s) caused to humans

Describe the type and severity of effects or disease(s) on human health (including colonisation, infection, allergy, toxin-mediated disease) by each of the agents or strains to be used

Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)	
Name	Type

B1.2.2 What is the likelihood of infection of this material? Indicate as None, Low Risk, Medium Risk, High Risk, Known Infected

Name of agent	Risk Category	Justification for Selection

If none proceed to section B1.3

B1.2.3 Infectivity to humans

Describe ALL the route(s) of infection (relevant to the laboratory setting) and the minimum infectious dose(s) if known (eg percutaneous, mucocutaneous, inhalation, ingestion)

Name of agent(s)	Route(s) of infection	Minimum infectious dose

B1.2.4 Drug resistance

Is there any known or suspected drug resistance amongst the strains to be used? Identify & describe.

B1.2.5 Attenuation or increased virulence

Are the strains attenuated or do they have an increased virulence in any way?

Identify and describe:

B1.2.6 Ability to survive

In what form is the agent present eg spores or vegetative bacteria, and are there any issues about the agents robustness, including any resistance to chemical disinfectants?

Identify and describe:

B1.2.7 Most hazardous procedure?

Identify and describe the most hazardous procedure(s) to be used.

B1.3 HUMANS AT INCREASED RISK OF INFECTION

B1.3.1 Are there any pre-existing medical conditions that increase the risk associated with this agents listed in section 1.1 (including immunocompromised workers, pregnant workers, breast feeding mothers, diabetic workers)?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

If yes, Occupational Health must be consulted:

B1.4. PROPAGATION OR CONCENTRATION OF ADVENTITIOUS AGENTS

B1.4.1 Give details of the volumes and concentrations of organisms to be used

Name & Strain	Volume	Concentration

B1.5 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

B1.5.1 Are any of the agents capable of causing disease or other harm in animals, fish or plants?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

If yes, describe briefly here (A separate risk assessment may be required if the agent to be used poses a significant risk to the environment):

B1.5.2 Will there be any other environmental risks?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

If yes, describe briefly here (NOTE: A separate risk assessment may be required if the agent to be used poses a significant risk to the environment):

B1.6 OTHER HAZARDS

B1.6.1 Are there any other hazards associated with this work? For example, hazardous chemicals, cryogenic gases ionising radiation.

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

If yes, identify these:

If yes, have these been risk assessed and any necessary approval obtained?

SECTION 2: CELL CULTURES, TISSUES, BLOOD, BODY FLUIDS OR EXCRETA

B2.1 HAZARD AND RISK IDENTIFICATION: NATURE OF CELLS, TISSUES OR BODY FLUIDS

This information gives an indication of the potential harm that the biological material may cause

B2.1.1 List all cells or tissues to be used. For cells indicate if primary, continuous or finite.

Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)			
Cell or tissue type and ID	Organ Source	Species	From where will it be obtained?
Primary Myocyte cells	Skeletal Muscle	Human	Cook Myosite Inc, Pittsburgh, USA

B2.1.2 List all blood, body fluids or excreta to be used

Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)			
Material type and ID	Organ Source	Species	From where will it be obtained?

B2.1.3 Has any material listed in section B2.1.1 been genetically modified in any way?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	NO
If Yes, complete Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) Risk Assessment Form	

B2.1.4 Will material be screened for infectious agents (if from a cell culture collection answer B2.1.6)?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	
If Yes, provide details of the types of screening and agents screened for:	
Donor Screening Policy includes the following serology tests:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hepatitis B Surface Antigen • Hepatitis B CORE Total Antibody • HCV Antibody • HTLV I-II Antibody • HIV I-II Antibody • RPR • ABO/Rh • HIV-Antigen (P24) • CMV IgG and CMV IgM 	
Document attached.	

B2.1.5 Will any clinical history (if relevant) be provided with this material?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	N/R
If yes give details:	
If yes, will a policy of rejection of samples from diseased patients be adopted? Explain	
If yes, how will the information be disseminated in the course of the project?	
If yes, will this information be anonymised?	

B2.1.6 If obtained from a cell culture collection, is safety information provided?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	N/R
If Yes, summarise here:	

B2.2 RISK TO HUMANS**B2.2.1 What is the likelihood of infection of this material? Indicate as None, Low Risk, Medium Risk, High Risk, Known Infected***

Cell type and ID	Risk Category	Justification for Selection
Primary Myosite Cells	Low	Cells screened as described in section B2.14

If low risk or none proceed to section B2.2.4

*see *The Managing the risks in laboratories and healthcare premises – available at*
<http://www.hse.gov.uk/biosafety/biologagents.pdf>

B2.2.2 If medium or high risk (section B2.2.1), name and classify the Biological Agents this material could be infected with. List the biological agents and indicate the ACDP hazard group classification*

Name of Agent	Classification

*see *The Approved List of Biological Agents – available on the Health & Safety website or*
<http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/misc208.pdf>.

B2.2.3 Describe the routes of infection (in humans) for these adventitious agents (place a 'X' in the relevant box)

Percutaneous	Mucocutaneous	Inhalation	Ingestion	N/R

Details:

B2.2.4 Are there any other biological hazards (other than adventitious infectious risk) associated with the materials e.g. tumourogenic cells

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	NO
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If Yes, describe:

B2.3 HUMANS AT INCREASED RISK OF INFECTION**B2.3.1 Do any of the agents listed in section B2.1 present an overt risk to humans at increased risk (including immunocompromised workers, pregnant workers, breast feeding mothers)?**

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	NO
If yes, Occupational Health must be consulted:	

B2.4. PROPAGATION OR CONCENTRATION OF ADVENTITIOUS AGENTS**B2.4.1 Will any culturing of this material take place?**

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	YES
If yes, identify the cells and the conditions these will grow:	

Primary Myocytes cultured in T175 flasks in cell culture media in a 37 degree Celsius humidified incubator

B2.4.2 If culturing, will CD4+ cells be present. Describe what cells and for how long these cultures will be allowed to grow

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	NO
If yes, explain:	

B2.4.3 If culturing, what is the maximum volume of culture grown?

Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)	
Per Flask: ~10 million	Per experiment: ~200 million (20 flasks)

B2.4.4 Will the cells be manipulated in any way that could result in a concentration of any adventitious biological agent present?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	NO
If yes, explain:	

**B2.5 WORKING WITH MATERIAL DONATED BY YOURSELF OR COLLEAGUES :
Persons MUST NOT work with their own cells.****B2.5.1 Will any cells be donated by persons working in or has access to the lab?**

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	NO
If yes, explain what precautions are to be taken to prevent that person being exposed to the cells:	

If yes, where will this material be collected:
If yes, provide justification for not using a safer source:
If yes, how will confidentiality be assured:
If yes, has Ethics Committee approval been obtained:

B2.6 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:**B2.6.1 Are any of the agents capable of causing disease or other harm in animals, fish or plants?**

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	NO
If yes, describe:	

B2.6.2 Will there be any other environmental risks?

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	NO
If yes, describe:	

B2.7 OTHER HAZARDS**B2.7.1 Are there any other hazards associated with this work? For example, hazardous chemicals, cryogenic gases ionising radiation.**

Indicate in the adjacent box as: Yes, No or Not Relevant (N/R)	YES
If yes, identify these:	
Cryogenic processing with liquid nitrogen	
If yes, have these been risk assessed and any necessary approval obtained?	
Procedures in accordance with SOP013, "Use and Maintenance of Liquid Nitrogen Stores". Risk Assessment Reference: SAF/MM/1638	

SECTION 3: PLANTS, PLANT TISSUE OR MATERIAL, PLANT PATHOGENS

B3.1 HAZARD AND RISK IDENTIFICATION: NATURE OF PLANT, PLANT TISSUE OR MATERIAL, PLANT PATHOGENS

This information gives an indication of the potential harm that the biological material may cause

B3.1.1 List all plant or plant tissues to be used

B3.1.2 Is any of the material listed in B3.1.1 infected with pathogen?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	
If yes, also complete Section 1	

B3.1.3 Is any material listed in B3.1.1 transgenic?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	
If Yes, complete GM Risk Assessment Form	

B3.2 RISK TO HUMANS

B3.2.1 The disease(s) caused to humans

Describe the type and severity of effects or disease(s) on human health (including irritation, allergy, effect of toxins) by each of the materials to be used

Name of plant/plant tissue	Type	Severity

B3.2.2 What is the likelihood of infection of this material? Indicate as None, Low Risk, Medium Risk, High Risk, Known Infected

Name of plant/tissue	Risk Category	Justification for Selection

If none proceed to section B3.3

B3.2.3 Describe the routes of that the effects described in section B3.2.1 are transmitted (place a 'X' in the relevant box)

Percutaneous	Mucocutaneous	Inhalation	Ingestion	N/R

Details:

B3.3 HUMANS AT INCREASED RISK OF INFECTION

B3.3.1 Do any of the agents listed in section 4.1 present an overt risk to humans at increased risk (including immunocompromised workers, pregnant workers, breast feeding mothers)?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

If yes, Occupational Health must be consulted:

B3.4 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:**Risk to other plants**

B3.4.1 Will there be any risk other plants?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

If yes, describe:

B3.4.2 Will there be any other environmental risks?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

If yes, describe:

B3.4.3 Is the plant to be used controlled by the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

If yes, approval will not be granted until a copy of the DEFRA licence has been submitted to the Biological Safety Group:

B3.5 OTHER HAZARDS

B3.5.1 Are there any other hazards associated with this work? For example, hazardous chemicals, cryogenic gases ionising radiation.

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

If yes, identify these:

If yes, have these been risk assessed and any necessary approval obtained?

SECTION 4: ANIMALS AND ANIMAL TISSUES

B4.1 HAZARD AND RISK IDENTIFICATION: NATURE OF ANIMALS OR TISSUE

This information gives an indication of the potential harm that the biological material may cause

B4.1.1 List all animals or animal tissues to be used

Species	Sex	Source	Anatomical Site	Origin or geographical source

B4.1.2 Is the animal or tissue/body fluid to be worked with infected or to be infected?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	
If Yes, complete Section 1 of this form	

B4.1.3 Is a carcinogen, drug or other substance to be administered to the animal(s) or present in the tissue?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	
If Yes, complete the appropriate Chemical COSH Assessment	

B4.1.4 Have the investigators that will be performing the work on animals obtained the appropriate Home Office Licence?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	
If No, consult the H&S Office.	

B4.1.5 Have Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for the proposed work been approved?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	
If No, consult the H&S Office. If Yes attach the signed approval.	

B4.2 RISK TO HUMANS

B4.2.1 The disease(s) caused to humans

Describe the type and severity of effects or disease(s) on human health (including infection, allergy, bites and scratches)

Name of animal/animal tissue	Type	Severity

B4.2.2 What is the likelihood of infection of this material? INDICATE as None, Low Risk, Medium Risk, High Risk, Known Infected

Name of agent	Risk Category	Justification for Selection

If none proceed to section B4.3

B4.2.3 Describe the routes of that the effects described in section B4.2.1 are transmitted (place a 'X' in the relevant box)

Percutaneous	Mucocutaneous	Inhalation	Ingestion	N/R
Details:				

B4.3 HUMANS AT INCREASED RISK OF INFECTION

B4.3.1 Do any of the agents listed in section B4.1 present an overt risk to humans at increased risk (including immunocompromised workers, pregnant workers, breast feeding mothers, workers repeatedly handling or multiply dosing animals)?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	
If yes, Occupational Health must be consulted:	

B4.4. PROPAGATION OR CONCENTRATION OF ADVENTITIOUS AGENTS

B4.4.1 Will any culturing of this material take place?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	
If yes, complete Section 2 of this form:	

B4.4.2 How many animals will be used?

Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)	

B4.5 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS: Risk to other animals

B4.5.1 Will there be any risk other animals?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)	
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If yes, describe:

B4.5.2 Will there be any other environmental risks?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)

If yes, describe:

PART C: CONTROL MEASURES

C1. CONTROL MEASURES

The risk of exposure must be prevented or adequately controlled to minimise the chance of harm arising. COSHH Regulations require minimum containment measures for laboratories handling organisms from the different ACDP hazard groups (<http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubs/misc208.pdf>)

The hazard group number typically indicates the level of containment (includes physical measures & working practices) that must be used for its handling).

C1.1 Preventing Exposure

C1.1.1 Substitution with a Safer Alternative

Is substitution with a safer alternative practical, by for example, replacement of a clinical strain or pathogen with one that is lab adapted? Provide reasons for your answer:

No. This is a clinical cell line and is specific material supplied by the partner for this work

C1.1.2 Isolation/Segregation

(i) Is/Are the laboratory(s) to be used for this work to be shared with other workers not directly involved in this activity?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

If yes, provide details:

Access restricted to authorised lab workers with appropriate training in accordance with documented the COP and QMS requirements for Class II work

(ii) Is access to the laboratory(s) to be used for this work restricted?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

If yes, provide details:

Restricted to people with appropriate training (authorised access documented in individual training records) in accordance with the COP and QMS

C1.2 Controlling Exposure

C1.2.1 Are sharps (needles, blades, scissors, forceps, glass or capillary tubes) to be used at any stage during this activity?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) NO

If yes, list the sharps:

If yes, justify there use – is there an alternative?:

If yes, describe there use and disposal:

If yes, describe any additional precautions employed to reduce risk:

C1.2.2 Containment and Ventilation

(i) Is the use of BSC required for the protection of the worker ie do the work procedures generate aerosols or splashes that pose a risk to workers?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

If yes, specify the type(s) and when they will be used:

A Class II Biological Safety Cabinet will be used for all manipulations according to SOP

- 1) SOP009, "Use and Maintenance of BSC-G2000 Vertical Laminar Airflow Cabinet"
- 2) SOP052, "Use and Maintenance of Bioquell Class II Cabinet"
- 3) SOP035, "Use and Maintenance of CompacT SelecT"

(ii) Are there any requirements for room ventilation e.g. negative pressure, temperature control?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) NO

If yes, specify:

C1.2.3 Transport and Storage within the laboratory

How and where are materials to be stored?

Material will be stored in a cryobank or temporary storage in designated cell culture incubators according to the following SOPs :

- 1) SOP005, "Storage and Transport of Biological Agents"
- 2) SOP013, "Use and maintenance of Liquid Nitrogen Stores"
- 3) SOP017, "Use and maintenance of the Galaxy-R Incubator"
- 4) SOP031, "Cryopreservation and Storage of Mammalian Cell Lines"
- 5) SOP053, "Use and maintenance of the Sanyo CO2 Incubator"

How will this material be transported within the laboratory e.g. between BSC and incubator? Detail the containment measures which will be used to prevent or contain accidental splashes or spills.

Cells will always be transferred in closed containers. Appropriate spill response procedures are posted in the lab and documented in detail in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP005, "Storage and Transport of Biological Agents"
- 2) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"

C1.2.4 Local transport out of the laboratory

How will this material be transported on-site (e.g. research material between labs on campus or movement of waste containing viable agents e.g. to a remote autoclave? Detail the containment measures which will be used to prevent or contain accidental splashes or spills

Transfer outside the laboratory is not anticipated but any requirement is likely to be constrained within the Wolfson building. If necessary, transfers will use double containment procedures. Transport of research material between laboratories is done using sealed containers which are put into tube racks and trays and transported using trolleys according to the following SOPs. Waste potentially containing viable agents is not removed from the laboratories until it has been autoclaved ie autoclaves are not remotely situated.

- 1) SOP003, "Disposal and Disinfection of Biological Waste"
- 2) SOP005, "Storage and Transport of Biological Agents"
- 3) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"

C1.2.5 Shipment of Biological Material

**Will this material be shipped elsewhere in the UK or abroad?*

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

If yes, give details to support compliance to the relevant regulation (e.g. category of material, correct packaging instruction):

This is 'Category B' material and will be packaged in compliance with the full guidelines found at the HSE website below. In short this includes a leak proof inner receptacle, a secondary container secured in cushioning and absorbent material sufficient to absorb the entire contents of the inner receptacle, and an outer container. The packaging will be robust enough to withstand a drop of at least 1.2 metres and will be marked externally with a black diamond containing the identifier 'UN 3373'.

see *The Managing the risks in laboratories and healthcare premises – available at <http://www.hse.gov.uk/biosafety/biologagents.pdf>

If material will be received from other sites or organisations, what precautions are being taken to ensure that the material is shipped correctly?

The material will be shipped from Cook Myosite in the US according to their own Quality Management procedures. The procedure for the safe receipt of packages containing potentially biohazardous material and their delivery to the appropriate recipient or other designated personnel is documented in SOP008; "Receipt of Purchased Biohazardous Material. This SOP is intended to minimize the consequences that could result from the failure of packaging methods and materials used to ship biohazardous materials.

C1.2.7 Centrifugation

(i) If material is to be centrifuged will sealed buckets and rotors be used?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

(ii) Where will these rotors/buckets be opened?

Centrifuge is operated and maintained according to SOP015 and SOP038. Sealed buckets will be opened within the Class II laboratory environment according to the following SOPs

- 1) SOP009, "Use and Maintenance of BSC-G2000 Vertical Laminar Airflow Cabinet"
- 2) SOP052, "Use and Maintenance of Bioquell Class II Cabinet"

(iii) Describe the procedures in place to deal with leaks and spillages in the centrifuge

Procedures to prevent, contain and respond to leakages and spillages in the centrifuge are detailed in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP015, "Use and maintenance of BOECO U032R Centrifuge"
- 2) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"

Posters are also displayed around the laboratory to advise on spillages.

C1.2.8 Incubators

If incubators are to be used, what type of incubator (e.g. shaking, static) is used and describe procedures to prevent and contain spillages.

Static incubators are used. Procedures to prevent, contain and respond to spillages in the incubators are detailed in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP017, "Use and maintenance of the Galaxy-R Incubator"
- 2) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"
- 3) SOP053, "Use and maintenance of Sanyo C02 Incubator"

C1.2.9 Disinfection

Specify the type and concentration of disinfectants to be used:

The disinfectants were carefully chosen for effectiveness in use. The number of disinfectants in use is strictly limited to avoid errors and ambiguities in use and accidental mixing of compounds that may give rise to hazardous reactions or the formation of toxic products. Unless there are compelling reasons to do otherwise, Virkon (1% w/v) is the sole disinfectant used in the T208/T207 laboratories other than 70% IMS which is used for general disinfection cleaning (SOP004) where Virkon cannot be used.

Virkon has a wide range of bactericidal, virucidal, fungicidal and sporocidal activities. Representative viruses from all the major virus families are inactivated by Virkon. Working solutions of 1% w/v have low toxicity and no irritancy. Selection and procedures detailed in the following SOPs:

- 1) SOP004 General Laboratory Maintenance and cleaning
- 2) SOP006 Selection and Use of Disinfectants
- 3) SOP039 Storage, Handling and Disposal of Chemicals

Have these disinfectants been validated for use with the recipient biological material?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) NO

If yes, describe the procedure:

For Hazard Group 1 and 2 Biological agents it is normally be sufficient to rely on the manufacturers data, providing the recommended concentrations and contact times are used. Hence Virkon (1%) is used as per manufacturers instruction and according to standard procedures detailed in the COP and the following SOP:

- 1) SOP006, "Selection and Use of Disinfectants"

C1.2.10 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

(i) What type of lab coats will be worn and where will they be stored?

Various sizes of rear fastening lab coats are worn which have elasticated cuffs. They are stored outside the laboratory foyer. Proper use of PPE is described in the following SOP: SOP037, "Use of Personal Protective Equipment"

(ii) What type of gloves will be worn and where will they be stored?

1. Autoclave gloves, which will be stored in close proximity to the autoclave equipment
2. Cryogenic gloves, which will be stored in close proximity to the Liquid Nitrogen storage containers
3. Latex powder free gloves for general use, which will be stored in the laboratory

Correct use of PPE is described in the following SOP: SOP037, "Use of Personal Protective Equipment"

(iii) Describe any other PPE to be used:

1. Laboratory safety glasses (including those for spectacle wearers)
2. Face Shields (primarily for handling liquid nitrogen)
3. Shoe covers, in case of a spillage
4. Aprons or disposable lab coats for extra protection over laboratory coat.

Correct use of the above PPE is described in the following SOP: SOP037, "Use of Personal Protective Equipment"

C1.2.11 Hygiene Measures

Describe the hygiene facilities available and where they are located

- 1) Eye Wash station located in the laboratory foyer
- 2) Hand washing facilities located in the laboratory foyer

C1.2.12 Vaccination

Are effective vaccines available against any of the agents listed in Section 1, 2, 3, or 4 of Part B?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) NO

If yes, describe:

C1.2.13 Waste Treatment before Disposal

How must waste to be treated before disposal and how has it been validated as being effective?

	Treatment before disposal	Validation
Liquid waste	Virkon sterilise (SOP003 – disposal and disinfection of biological waste)	According to manufacturers instructions; see section C2.1.9
Solid waste	Autoclave sterilise (SOP003 – disposal and disinfection of biological waste)	Treatment Cycle periodically validated according to SOP 010

C1.2.14 Autoclave sterilisation

If waste is treated by autoclave sterilisation then this section must be completed. If this section is not relevant then hatch the box

	Type of waste	Autoclave cycle (temp, cycle time)	Treatment monitor
Liquid waste			

<i>Solid waste</i>	Cell Culture consumables	121°C for 1 hour	Designated Autoclave tape monitors
<i>Location of autoclave</i>	<i>Servicing details</i>	<i>Location of back-up autoclave</i>	<i>Designated area for storage of unsterilised waste</i>
Laboratory T208B ie same location as intended work	Annual	Laboratory T207	On designated benches adjacent to the autoclave

C1.2.15 Liquid Waste Disposal

<i>How will liquid waste be disposed of?</i>
To the drain? Yes: with copious amounts of water in accordance with SOP003 – “Disposal and disinfection of biological waste”
As solid waste? No
Other? None

C1.2.16 Solid Waste Disposal

Describe the waste category and disposal route. (For guidance refer to <http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk>). Hatch the relevant Box(es).

European Waste Catalogue Code	Categorisation	<i>Hatch relevant box(es)</i>	Disposal Method
18 01 01	Sharps		Sharps bin>autoclave sterilisation if known or potentially infected >clinical waste disposal (incineration)
18 01 02 [human]	Human body parts, organs, including blood bags and blood preserves and excreta (unless identified as medium or high risk or known infected in Section 2.16 of this RA in which case they must be pre-treated before disposal and classified 18 01 04 [sealed bins])		Rigid one way sealed tissue bins>incineration only
18 01 02 [animal]	Animal body carcases or recognisable parts ((unless identified as medium or high risk or known infected in Section 2.16 of this RA in which case they must be pre-treated before disposal and classified 18 01 04 [sealed bins])		Rigid one way sealed tissue bins > incineration only
18 01 03	Potentially or known infected lab wastes (including sharps) of HG2, GM Class 2, DEFRA Cat 2 or higher, that have not been pre-treated before leaving the site.		This is not a route of preference and is subject to special requirements

18 01 04 [bags]	Infected or potentially infected lab wastes that have been pre treated before leaving the site		Disinfection or sterilisation (as identified in C1.2.13) in the lab suite > placement in yellow clinical waste bags > clinical waste disposal (incineration)
18 01 04 [sealed bins]	Infected or potentially infected animal or human body parts, organs or excreta that have been pre treated before leaving site		Disinfection or sterilisation (as identified in C1.2.13) in the lab suite > placement in yellow one way sealed tissue bins > incineration)

C1.2.17 Work with Animals or Vectors (if none proceed to Section C1.2.18)

(i) Are animals or vectors to be infected with any of these biological agents? Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)		N/R
If yes, describe the procedure and describe where this aspect of the work will be conducted:		
(ii) Is shedding of infectious materials by the infected animals possible or expected? Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)		N/R
If yes, describe the routes of shedding, risk periods for such shedding and the additional precautions required to control exposure:		
(iii) Who will perform the inoculations of animals/vectors? What training have they received? Indicate in the adjacent box if Not Relevant (N/R)		N/R
Provide details of the training required:		

C1.2.18 Bioreactor/Fermenters (if none proceed to Section C1.2.19)

Will a fermenter be used to culture a pathogen? Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)		NO
If yes, describe the size, and type of the fermenter.		
(ii) Are any supplementary containment measures required, for example, the use of a BSC or spill tray. Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R)		N/R
If yes, describe:		

C1.2.19 Other Control Measures Required?

None

C1.3 Emergency Procedures

C1.3.1 Describe the procedures in place for dealing with spillages (specify disinfectants and any special containment for large volumes)

Within the BSC:	<p>Procedures for dealing with small and large spillages are detailed in the following SOPs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) SOP006, "Selection and use of Disinfectants" 2) SOP009, "Use and Maintenance of BSC-G2000 Vertical Laminar Airflow Cabinet" 3) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response" 4) SOP052, "Use and Maintenance of Bioquell Class II Cabinet" <p>Posters displayed within the laboratory detail what to do in the event of a spillage</p>
Within the laboratory but outside the control measure e.g. BSC, spill tray	<p>Procedures for dealing with small and large spillages are detailed in the following SOPs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) SOP006, "Selection and use of Disinfectants" 2) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"
Outside the laboratory e.g. during transport	<p>Procedures for dealing with small and large spillages are detailed in the COP and the following SOPs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) SOP005, "Storage and Transport of Biological Agents" 2) SOP006, "Selection and use of Disinfectants" 3) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response"
<p><i>Describe the procedures in place for an accidental exposure (if necessary describe different procedures for different types of exposure e.g. eye splash or percutaneous inoculation)</i></p> <p>Procedures to respond to accidental exposure are detailed in the COP and the following SOP:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) SOP038, "Biological Spill Response" 	

C2 ASSIGNMENT OF CONTAINMENT LEVEL

The laboratory Containment Level is directly related to each of the 4 Hazard Groups; organisms categorised as HG1 (lowest hazard rating) should normally be handled in CL1 facilities (minimum level of containment), and likewise up to HG4 (highest hazard rating) in CL4 facilities (maximum level of containment). Where the identity or presence of a biological agent is not known the following rules apply: a) where uncertainty exists over the presence of pathogenic biological agent – minimum of CL2; b) where the presence of a pathogenic biological agent is known or suspected – minimum of Containment Level appropriate to the agent, where the assessment is inconclusive but where the activity might involve serious risk – minimum CL3

C2.1. What containment level is required for this work?

Class II

C2.2. Describe extra controls or derogation from certain controls

None

C3 FACILITIES

C3.1 Where will this work take place?

Room(s)	Building	Campus	Person in Control of area
T208B	Wolfson School of Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering	Loughborough University	Carolyn Thomas Bob Temple

C4 PERSONNEL

C4.1 Names of Personnel involved in the Project

Surname	Initials	Staff ID	Position
Thomas	RT	5007730	Lecturer

C4.2 Information, Instruction and Training

Describe the training that will be given to all those affected (directly or indirectly) by the work activity. Instruction should include the 'Local Rules' or 'Local Codes of Practice' which focus on the working instructions to be followed by all persons involved in the work activity to control or prevent exposure to hazardous biological agent(s). These should be written and readily available to all workers working at Containment Level 2. A formal record of training should be kept for all individuals working at Containment Level 2.

Formal records of training are kept for all workers at containment level II. Instruction against local QMS ie SOPs and the local COP is provided.

C4.3 Relevant Experience/Training:

Surname	Experience/Training
Thomas	Documented in Personal Training File

C4.4 Other people who may be at risk from the activity e.g. cleaners, maintenance workers or other workers in shared laboratory

Details:

None

C5 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH

C5.1 Vaccination

Is an effective vaccination available for any of the pathogens associated with this work? Advice can be obtained from the Occupational Health Adviser if required. All workers involved with handling unscreened blood, blood products and other tissues are recommended to have Hepatitis B immunization

Certificate for Hepatitis B immunization documented in personal training file.

C5.2 Health Surveillance

Is health surveillance required? (Health surveillance is typically applied if working with a hazardous substance that: a) produces an identifiable disease or adverse health effect that can be related to exposure; b) there is a reasonable likelihood that the disease or effect may occur under the conditions of work, and c) there are valid techniques for detecting indications of the disease or effect).

NO

C6. NOTIFICATIONS: Human Tissue Act

C6.1.1 Relevant material covered by the Human Tissue Act

Are any of the cell, tissues or fluids to be used covered by the Human Tissue Act?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) NO

C6.1.2 Does This Work Have Ethical Approval? If Yes, Provide Details

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) YES

Approval number: Pending

Date obtained:	Ethics committee name:
Pending	NHS Research Ethics Committee: Leicestershire, Northamptonshire & Rutland EC1

C6.1.3 Are other registrations/notifications required for this work? For example HSE notification under COSHH, Home Office notification under anti-terrorism, crime and security act etc

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) NO

If Yes, give details:

7. LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR ANIMAL PRODUCTS

C7.1.1 Are there any licensing requirements for this work?

Indicate in the adjacent box as No, Yes or Not Relevant (N/R) N/R

NOTE: The regulations covering the import of animal products (including tissue cultures, tissues, body fluids or fractions thereof) are in a state of flux. See the DEFRA website for details.

UNLESS THIS SECTION IS NOT RELEVANT (N/R) ie THE INTENDED WORK DOES NOT USE ANIMAL PRODUCTS - CONSULT THE LU H&S OFFICE TO REVIEW APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS BEFORE ANY SUBMISSIONS

8. DECLARATION

The declaration must be signed before submitting this assessment to the Departmental Safety Officer and University Biological Safety Officer

I, the undersigned:

- confirm that all information contained in this assessment is correct and up to date
- will ensure that **suitable and sufficient instruction, information and supervision** is provided for all individuals working on the activity
- will ensure that no work will be carried out until this **assessment has been completed and approved** and that all necessary control measures are in place
- accept that for some Containment Level 2 and all CL3 activities a **statutory notification period of 20 days** may be required before work can commence
- that all information contained in this assessment must remain correct and up to date (the assessment should be reviewed once a year and whenever any **significant changes** to the work activity occur)
- will re-submit the assessment for approval if any significant changes occur

Name:	Signature	Date
Person conducting assessment		
R Thomas	R. T.	4/9/08
Principal Investigator		
R Thomas	R. T.	4/9/08

9. APPROVAL

Name:	Signature	Date
Departmental Safety Officer	M. Moore	05/09/08
	R. Tempur	
University Biological Safety Officer		
C. M. Moore	C. M. Moore	17/9/08

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Re: Safety of Human Cells

Dr. Thomas,

The cells to be utilized in the proposed studies will be purified primary cells derived from human skeletal muscle tissue. The Center for Organ Recovery and Education (CORE) provides these muscle specimens to Cook MyoSite Inc. (CMI) under contract. CORE's Donor Screening Policy includes the following serology tests:

- Hepatitis B Surface Antigen
- Hepatitis B CORE Total Antibody
- HCV Antibody
- HTLV I-II Antibody
- HIV I-II Antibody
- RPR
- ABO/Rh
- HIV-Antigen (P24)
- CMV IgG and CMV IgM

Documentation regarding this testing is provided to CMI for each tissue specimen obtained for cell processing. Upon request, cells utilized will also undergo a series of Quality Control tests, performed by CMI, prior to release. These tests include the following:

- Sterility – Testing is conducted according to the "Direct Transfer Method", as described in the United States Pharmacopeia (Section 71), and according to CMI standard operating procedures (SOP).
- Mycoplasma – Testing is conducted via PCR according to CMI SOPs, and includes two positive (*Mycoplasma orale* and *A. laidlawii Acholeplasma*) and one negative control.
- Endotoxin - Testing is conducted via the kinetic chromogenic Limulus Amebocyte Lysate (LAL) method according to the United States Pharmacopeia, Section 85. Testing is performed using US Food and Drug

Administration (FDA) licensed LAL reagents, chromogenic substrate and control standard endotoxin, according to CMI SOPs.

Additionally, cell processing is conducted according to good tissue practices to prevent contamination and preserve cell function and integrity, and includes defined procedures for tissue and cell handling, processing, and identification.

Please feel free to contact me if I can provide any further assistance or answer any questions relating to the safety of the human cells for the proposed study.

Sincerely,

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