

**THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO  
 BIOHAZARDOUS AGENTS REGISTRY FORM**  
 Approved Biohazards Subcommittee: June 26, 2009  
 Biosafety Website: [www.uwo.ca/humanresources/biosafety/](http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/biosafety/)

This form must be completed by each Principal Investigator holding a grant administered by the University of Western Ontario or in charge of a laboratory/facility where the use of Level 1, 2 or 3 biohazardous agents is described in the laboratory or animal work proposed. The form must also be completed if any work is proposed involving animals carrying zoonotic agents infectious to humans or involving plants, fungi, or insects that require Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) or Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) permits.

This form must be updated at least every 3 years or when there are changes to the biohazards being used.

Containment Levels will be established in accordance with Laboratory Biosafety Guidelines, 3rd edition, 2004, Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) or Containment Standards for Veterinary Facilities, 1<sup>st</sup> edition 1996, Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA).

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\*For work being performed at Institutions affiliated with the University of Western Ontario, the Safety Officer for the Institution where experiments will take place must sign the form prior to its being sent to the University of Western Ontario Biosafety Officer (See Section 12.0, Approvals).

FUNDING AGENCY/AGENCIES: \_\_\_\_\_  
 GRANT TITLE(S): Migration-mediated intravasation and tumour cell metastasis in the dissemination of cancer. Non-invasive imaging of pathological angiogenesis using targeted multivalent nanoparticles.

**PLEASE ATTACH A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF YOUR WORK THAT EXPLAINS THE BIOHAZARDS USED AND HOW THEY WILL BE USED. PROJECTS SUBMITTED WITHOUT A SUMMARY WILL NOT BE REVIEWED. A GRANT SUMMARY PAGE MAYBE ADEQUATE IF IT PROVIDES SUFFICIENT DETAIL ABOUT EACH BIOHAZARD USED.**

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## 1.0 Microorganisms

1.1 Does your work involve the use of biological agents?  YES  NO  
 (including but not limited to microorganisms, viruses, prions, parasites or pathogens of plant or animal origin)?  
 If no, please proceed to Section 2.0

Do you use microorganisms that require a permit from the CFIA?  YES  NO  
 If YES, please give the name of the species. \_\_\_\_\_  
 What is the origin of the microorganism(s)? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Please describe the risk (if any) of escape and how this will be mitigated:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach the CFIA permit.  
 Please describe any CFIA permit conditions:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

1.2 Please complete the table below:

Name of Biological agent(s)*	Is it known to be a human pathogen? YES/NO	Is it known to be an animal pathogen? YES/NO	Is it known to be a zoonotic agent? YES/NO	Maximum quantity to be cultured at one time? (in Litres)	Source/ Supplier	PHAC or CFIA Containment Level
Lentivirus	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	0.02L	various clontech	<input type="radio"/> 1 <input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3
	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No			<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3
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\*Please attach a Material Safety Data Sheet or equivalent from the supplier.

## 2.0 Cell Culture

2.1 Does your work involve the use of cell cultures?  YES  NO  
 If no, please proceed to Section 3.0

2.2 Please indicate the type of primary cells (i.e. derived from fresh tissue) that will be grown in culture:

Cell Type	Is this cell type used in your work?	Source of Primary Cell Culture Tissue	AUS Protocol Number
Human	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Not applicable
Rodent	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		
Non-human primate	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		
Other (specify)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	chicken embryo	

2.3 Please indicate the type of established cells that will be grown in culture in:

Cell Type	Is this cell type used in your work?	Specific cell line(s)*	Supplier / Source
Human	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	HT-1080*	all cell lines from ATCC
Rodent	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Non-human primate	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Other (specify)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		

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2.4 For above named cell types(s) indicate PHAC or CFIA containment level required  1  2  3

\*please see attached sheet

### 3.0 Use of Human Source Materials

3.1 Does your work involve the use of human source materials?  YES  NO

If no, please proceed to Section 4.0

3.2 Indicate in the table below the Human Source Material to be used.

Human Source Material	Source/Supplier /Company Name	Is Human Source Material Known to Be Infected With An Infectious Agent? YES/NO	Name of Infectious Agent (If applicable)	PHAC or CFIA Containment Level (Select one)
Human Blood (whole) or other Body Fluid		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3
Human Blood (fraction) or other Body Fluid	NA	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3
Human Organs or Tissues (unpreserved)		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3
Human Organs or Tissues (preserved)		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3

### 4.0 Genetically Modified Organisms and Cell lines

4.1 Will genetic modifications be made to the microorganisms, biological agents, or cells described in Sections 1.0 and 2.0?  YES  NO If no, please proceed to Section 5.0

4.2 Will genetic modification(s) involving plasmids be done?  YES, complete table below  NO

Bacteria Used for Cloning *	Plasmid(s) *	Source of Plasmid	Gene Transfected	Describe the change that results

\* Please attach a Material Data Sheet or equivalent if available.

\*please see attached.

4.3 Will genetic modification(s) involving viral vectors be made?  YES, complete table below  NO

Virus Used for Vector Construction	Vector(s) *	Source of Vector	Gene(s) Transduced	Describe the change that results
Lentivirus	PLVX-puro-EGFP MSCV-LTR-miR30-PI6 1D1	clontech	EGFP, shRNA's (5)	cells turn green, less mobile cells.

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4.4 Will genetic sequences from the following be involved?

- ◆ HIV  YES, please specify HIV-1  NO
- ◆ HTLV 1 or 2 or genes from any Level 1 or Level 2 pathogens  YES, specify \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ SV 40 Large T antigen  YES  NO
- ◆ E1A oncogene  YES  NO
- ◆ Known oncogenes  YES, please specify \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ Other human or animal pathogen and or their toxins  YES, please specify \_\_\_\_\_  NO

4.5 Will virus be replication defective?  YES  NO

4.6 Will virus be infectious to humans or animals?  YES  NO

4.7 Will this be expected to increase the containment level required?  YES  NO

## 5.0 Human Gene Therapy Trials

5.1 Will human clinical trials be conducted involving a biological agent?  YES  NO  
(including but not limited to microorganisms, viruses, prions, parasites or pathogens of plant or animal origin)  
If no, please proceed to Section 6.0

5.2 If YES, please specify which biological agent will be used: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please attach a full description of the biological agent.

5.2 Will the biological agent be able to replicate in the host?  YES  NO

5.3 How will the biological agent be administered? \_\_\_\_\_

5.4 Please give the Health Care Facility where the clinical trial will be conducted: \_\_\_\_\_

5.5 Has human ethics approval been obtained?  YES, number: \_\_\_\_\_  NO  PENDING

## 6.0 Animal Experiments

6.1 Will live animals be used?  YES  NO If no, please proceed to section 7.0

6.2 Name of animal species to be used chicken embryo

6.3 AUS protocol # 2007-087-10

6.4 Will any of the agents listed be used in live animals  YES, specify: \_\_\_\_\_  NO

\* DESCRIPTION MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS FORM OR PROJECT WILL NOT BE REVIEWED\*



**10.0 Plants Requiring CFIA Permits**

10.1 Do you use plants that require a permit from the CFIA?  YES  NO  
If no, please proceed to Section 11.0

10.2 If YES, please give the name of the species. \_\_\_\_\_

10.3 What is the origin of the plant? \_\_\_\_\_

10.4 What is the form of the plant (seed, seedling, plant, tree...)? \_\_\_\_\_

10.5 What is your intention?  Grow and maintain a crop  "One-time" use

10.6 Do you do any modifications to the plant?  YES  NO  
If yes, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

10.7 Please describe the risk (if any) of loss of the material from the lab and how this will be mitigated:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

10.8 Is the CFIA permit attached?  YES  NO  
If NO, please forward the permit to the Biosafety Officer when available.

10.9 Please describe any CFIA permit conditions:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**11.0 Import Requirements**

11.1 Will any of the above agents be imported?  YES, please give country of origin \_\_\_\_\_  
If no, please proceed to Section 12.0  NO

11.2 Has an Import Permit been obtained from HC for human pathogens?  YES  NO

11.3 Has an import permit been obtained from CFIA for animal or plant pathogens?  YES  NO

11.4 Has the import permit been sent to OHS?  YES, please provide permit # \_\_\_\_\_  NO

**12.0 Training Requirements for Personnel Named on Form**

All personnel named on the above form who will be using any of the above named agents are required to attend the following training courses given by OHS:

- ◆ Biosafety
- ◆ Laboratory and Environmental/Waste Management Safety
- ◆ WHMIS (Western or equivalent)
- ◆ Employee Health and Safety Orientation

As the Principal Investigator, I have ensured that all of the personnel named on the form who will be using any of the biohazardous agents in Sections 1.0 to 9.0 have been trained.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

**13.0 Containment Levels**

11.1 For the work described in sections 1.0 to 9.0, please indicate the highest HC or CFIA Containment Level required.

1  2  3

13.2 Has the facility been certified by OHS for this level of containment?

- YES, permit # if on-campus \_\_\_\_\_
- NO, please certify
- NOT REQUIRED for Level 1 containment

Room A4-822 LRCP  
certified Level 2 by  
me on Nov. 25, 2009.  
Maile Ryden

**14.0 Procedures to be Followed**

14.1 As the Principal Investigator, I will ensure that this project will follow the Western Biosafety Guidelines and Procedures Manual for Containment Level 1 & 2 Laboratories (and the Level 3 Facilities Manual for Level 3 projects). I will ensure that UWO faculty, staff and students working in my laboratory have an up-to-date Hazard Communication Form, found at <http://www.wph.uwo.ca/>

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ Date: Aug 6/09

**15.0 Approvals**

UWO Biohazard Subcommittee: SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Safety Officer for Institution where experiments will take place: SIGNATURE: Maile Ryden  
Date: December 21, 2009

Safety Officer for University of Western Ontario (if different from above): SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date (3 years from Approval): \_\_\_\_\_

Special Conditions of Approval:

## Description of the project involving biohazardous agent

The goal of this project is to screen for targets of migration in HT-1080 cancer cells. Isolation of these genetic targets can be achieved by introduction of short-hairpin RNA (shRNA) against all the genes in the human genome, into cancer cells. The best way to incorporate these shRNAs into the nucleus of the cell is to put them into a lentiviral vector. The nature of lentiviruses allows for the infection of both dividing and non-dividing cells and permits integration of the shRNA into the cellular DNA . Thus, lentiviral infection is best suited for our applications.

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The lentiviral vector we will use for delivery of the shRNA is replication defective and, therefore, does not replicate within its host. The production of lentivirus will be achieved by transfection of a packaging cell line, Hek 293 with the lentiviral vector containing the shRNA. Once transfected, the packaging cells will create lentivirus particles which can be used to infect HT-1080 cells.

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Organism: Homo sapiens (human)

Morphology: epithelial

Source: Tissue: connective tissue
Disease: fibrosarcoma

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Isolation: Isolation date: July, 1972

Applications: transfection host (Nucleofection technology from Lonza Roche FuGENE Transfection Reagents)

Virus Susceptibility: Human poliovirus 1
RD-114 Feline
Feline leukemia virus
Vesicular stomatitis virus

Tumorigenic: Yes

Reverse Transcript: negative

Oncogene: ras +

DNA Profile (STR): Amelogenin: X,Y
CSF1PO: 12
D13S317: 12,14
D16S539: 9,12
D5S818: 11,13
D7S820: 9,10
THO1: 6
TPOX: 8
vWA: 14,19

Cytogenetic Analysis: modal number = 46; range = 44 to 48. Pseudodiploidy was frequently noted. About 40% of the cells had rearranged karyotypes with an extra E-group chromosome and a group C chromosome, probably chromosome 11, was missing.

Isoenzymes: G6PD, B

Age: 35 years

Gender: male

Ethnicity: Caucasian

<b>Comments:</b>	The cells contain an activated N-ras oncogene.
<b>Propagation:</b>	<b>ATCC complete growth medium:</b> The base medium for this cell line is ATCC-formulated Eagle's Minimum Essential Medium, Catalog No. 30-2003. To make the complete growth medium, add the following components to the base medium: fetal bovine serum to a final concentration of 10%. <b>Temperature:</b> 37.0°C
<b>Subculturing:</b>	<b>Protocol:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Remove and discard culture medium.</li> <li>2. Briefly rinse the cell layer with 0.25% (w/v) Trypsin- 0.53 mM EDTA solution to remove all traces of serum that contains trypsin inhibitor.</li> <li>3. Add 2.0 to 3.0 ml of Trypsin-EDTA solution to flask and observe cells under an inverted microscope until cell layer is dispersed (usually within 5 to 15 minutes). Note: To avoid clumping do not agitate the cells by hitting or shaking the flask while waiting for the cells to detach. Cells that are difficult to detach may be placed at 37°C to facilitate dispersal.</li> <li>4. Add 6.0 to 8.0 ml of complete growth medium and aspirate cells by gently pipetting.</li> <li>5. Add appropriate aliquots of the cell suspension to new culture vessels.</li> <li>6. Incubate cultures at 37°C.</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Subcultivation Ratio:</b> A subcultivation ratio of 1:4 to 1:8 is recommended <b>Medium Renewal:</b> Every 2 to 3 days</p>
<b>Preservation:</b>	<b>Freeze medium:</b> Complete growth medium supplemented with 5% (v/v) DMSO <b>Storage temperature:</b> liquid nitrogen vapor phase
<b>Related Products:</b>	Recommended medium (without the additional supplements or serum described under ATCC Medium): <a href="#">ATCC 30-2003</a> recommended serum: <a href="#">ATCC 30-2020</a>
<b>References:</b>	22147: Chen TR, et al. Intercellular karyotypic similarity in near-diploid cell lines of human tumor origins. <i>Cancer Genet. Cytogenet.</i> 10: 351-362, 1983. PubMed: <a href="#">6652615</a> 23071: Geiser AG, et al. Suppression of tumorigenicity in human cell hybrids derived from cell lines expressing different activated ras oncogenes. <i>Cancer Res.</i> 49: 1572-1577, 1989. PubMed: <a href="#">2647289</a> 23393: Rasheed S, et al. Characterization of a newly derived human sarcoma cell line (HT-1080). <i>Cancer</i> 33: 1027-1033, 1974. PubMed: <a href="#">4132053</a> 25969: Adams RA, et al. Direct implantation and serial transplantation of human acute lymphoblastic leukemia in hamsters, SB-2. <i>Cancer Res.</i> 28: 1121-1125, 1968. PubMed: <a href="#">4872716</a> 26035: . . . <i>Proc. Am. Assoc. Cancer Res.</i> 8: 1, 1967. 32289: Hu M, et al. Purification and characterization of human lung fibroblast motility-stimulating factor for human soft tissue sarcoma cells: identification as an NH2-terminal fragment of human fibronectin. <i>Cancer Res.</i> 57: 3577-3584, 1997. PubMed: <a href="#">9270031</a> 32370: Iida A, et al. Inducible gene expression by retrovirus-mediated transfer of a modified tetracycline-regulated system. <i>J. Virol.</i> 70: 6054-6059, 1996. PubMed: <a href="#">8709228</a> 32531: Brennehan M, et al. Stimulation of intrachromosomal homologous recombination in human cells by electroporation with site-specific endonucleases. <i>Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA</i> 93: 3608-3612, 1996. PubMed: <a href="#">8622983</a> 33061: Seiffert D. Hydrolysis of platelet vitronectin by calpain. <i>J. Biol. Chem.</i> 271: 11170-11176, 1996. PubMed: <a href="#">8626663</a> 33152: Hocking AM, et al. Eukaryotic expression of recombinant biglycan. <i>J. Biol. Chem.</i> 271: 19571-19577, 1996. PubMed: <a href="#">8702651</a>

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Hi Jennifer,

In vivo work with lentiviruses should be conducted in a containment level 2 physical laboratory with the use of containment level 3 operational practices. Work in chicken embryos is still considered in vivo in this case.

Kind regards and happy holidays

Genevieve

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Containment Level request - lentiviral project

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**Date:** Wed, 23 Dec 2009 15:03:11 -0500  
**To:** Jennifer Stanley <jstanle2@uwo.ca>

Yes it is. That room is a dedicated, stand-alone lentivirus room. All users are trained in Level 2 plus level 3 precautions as well.

Gail

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Hi Gail:

I received the Lewis Biohazardous Agents Registry Form. The project involves work using lentiviral vectors. This type of work is normally Level 2 plus Level 3 precautions. Is the room A4-822 set up for that?

Thanks,  
Jennifer

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