



City of Cambridge

Executive Department

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City Manager

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To the Honorable, the City Council:

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I am writing to recommend the following reappointments to the Cambridge Biosafety Committee for a term of five (5) years, effective June 22, 2026.

- Cara Conway (reappointment)
- Mary Corrigan (reappointment)
- Dan Anderson (reappointment)
- Eirini Iliaki (reappointment)

The Cambridge Biosafety Committee, hosted by the Cambridge Public Health Department and chaired by department staff, is empowered to issue permits for biological research and manufacturing that entails the use of recombinant or synthetic biological agents. The Committee also issues permits for traditional biological research that is conducted with Select Agents, any Risk Group 3 or 4 agent, or any agent requiring BSL-3 containment. Their authority to directly grant permits arises from the Recombinant DNA Technology Ordinance, 1981, Chapter 8.20 of the Cambridge Municipal Code (rDNA) and the Cambridge Biosafety Regulation, promulgated by the Cambridge Public Health Department in 2009 (non-rDNA).

The Cambridge Biosafety Committee, as authorized by the Public Health Commissioner, recommends the reappointment of Daniel Anderson, as he has made valuable contributions with decades of experience as an architect and more recently a member of the Cambridge Planning Board to review Special Permit requests. He would appreciate the opportunity to continue serving.

The next anticipated term expirations for this commission will occur in the summer of 2031.

Cara Conway

Ms. Conway has been a Cambridge resident for 15-years and has worked in the biotech sector as a bench scientist responsible for compliance with many of the practices the Biosafety



Committee review and require of permit holders, including biological and hazardous material safety. She brings practical scientific training and experience to the work of the Committee.

Mary Corrigan

Ms. Corrigan is a long-term Cambridge resident and have been actively attending Cambridge Biosafety Committee meetings for the past few years. Through her work, she is familiar with the Cambridge Lab Biosafety Ordinances, fire prevention regulations, environmental and safety regulations affecting biotechnology research and labs. As a Certified Industrial Hygienist, Mr. Corrigan has decades of experience performing hazard assessments and controls. She also holds a Master of Science in Environmental Science/Environmental Health Management from Harvard School of Public Health.

Dan Anderson

Mr. Anderson is an architect with over 30 years of experience and is long-time resident of Cambridge. He is a founding partner of the Cambridge firm, Anderson Porter Design and has served on numerous boards and commissions. As an architect, he brings extensive knowledge of facility design, operations, and safety to the evaluation of lab permitting applications.

Eirini Iliaki, MD, MPH

Dr. Iliaki is a Board Certified Infectious Diseases specialist at Cambridge Health Alliance. She evaluates patients at the CHA Occupational Health Clinic where she is an Associate Director for Occupational Infectious Diseases, Travel Medicine and Biosafety, and also in the Cambridge DPH TB clinic and inpatient settings. She is an Instructor in Medicine at Harvard Medical School and a core member of the CHA Infection Prevention Committee. At the Cambridge Biosafety Committee she brings her clinical expertise on infectious disease agents, their safe handling (including appropriate personal protective equipment), and post-exposure planning to ensure researcher and community safety.

I am pleased to recommend these individuals, whose expertise and experience have enabled them to be valuable members of the Cambridge Biosafety Committee. I appreciate their willingness to continue serving and, with your approval, look forward to their reappointments.

Very truly yours,



Yi-An Huang
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