

IARC Meeting 13: May 2nd 2018: minutes

The meeting commenced at 21:30 AEST. AC, MC, MO and CS were in attendance. At 22:00 AEST, William Lees joined the meeting.

1. The minutes of Meeting 12 were accepted, subject to the inclusion of the editing noted in the shared document.
2. The committee considered two proposed nomenclatures for inferred alleles, by which the IARC will communicate. A suggested nomenclature involving a sequential numbering scheme was rejected in favor of a nomenclature that uses the name of the most similar gene sequence in the IMGT reference set at the time of submission of the sequence. The name will include inferred allele numbers, starting with *i01. The names will therefore have the appearance of the IMGT nomenclature with the addition of the 'i' inference indicator.

Names will be given to sequences that are affirmed at Levels 0 and 1.

3. AC agreed again to contact Steven Kleinstein and Duncan Ralph to obtain analysis of B12 and B16 analysis by partis and TIGGER. This will be required to complete the documentation of the decisions that have been made regarding inferences from B12 and B16 data, as outlined in the minutes of previous meetings.
4. The committee was joined by William Lees, to discuss the Inferred Sequence Documentation Sheet that he has been developing. Discussion highlighted the need to distinguish 'submitters' from 'authors', since published works may not include inferred sequences, and these may be submitted by third parties. It was agreed that Level 0 sequences would require the same level of documentation, though these sequences and this documentation will not be made public.
5. The next meeting (Meeting 14) will be held on 11/5/2018 at 21:00 AEST. MO will not attend the meeting, which will consider a submission with which he is associated. Meeting 15 will be held on 18/5/2018 at a time to be confirmed by email. William Lees will be invited to join the meeting. Meeting 15 will be conducted via WebEx to facilitate shared viewing of files.

The meeting ended at 22:30 AEST.