IARC Meeting 22: August 10th 2018: minutes

The meeting commenced at 21:00 AEST. AC, MC, MO and CS were in attendance. Corey Watson, William Lees and Christian Busse joined the meeting.

1. The minutes of Meeting 21 were accepted, after corrections of dates that were in error.
2. Christian Busse had circulated a document suggesting three models for submission of sequences to IARC and to sequence repositories. The three models were discussed and it was agreed that we should follow Option 1, in which sequences are first submitted by a researcher to an INSDC database, and then to the IARC.
3. The IARC manuscript was discussed in detail. It was agreed that the author list was satisfactory. Figures were then discussed. It was agreed that the draft Figure 1 of the recombination process is unnecessary. The value of Figure 2 was queried, but the meeting agreed that it was a useful one. It was suggested that the current details, drawn from a figure of Yaari and Kleinstein, does not provide the best graphical representation of ‘what we do’ with alignments. It was agreed that a figure illustrating the scientific aspects of the inference process was needed. AC agreed to seek a volunteer from the Working Group to develop such a figure. Duncan Ralph’s Figure 5 of the new draft was discussed, and it was felt that it was probably too detailed for inclusion. Discussion of this point will continue via email over the next week. CS pointed out that use of the terms ‘allele percentage’ and ‘allele ratio’ in the text created confusion. She offered to explore the issue further via email. It was also agreed that the issue of chimerism needed further discussion before notifying IMGT of our progress. This too will be undertaken via email.

The next meeting (Meeting 23) will be on Friday August 24th at 21:00 AEST.

The meeting ended at 22:55 AEST.