

INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD (NIMR-IRB)



Dr. Oliver C. Ezechi

The Director General approved the reconstruction of NIMR Institutional Review Board after dissolving the former Board. The current NIMR-IRB was inaugurated into office on the 1st Sept., 2016 by the Director-General of NIMR, Prof. B. L.

Salako. The Board consists of sixteen (16) members with Dr. O. C. Ezechi as the new Board Chairman and Mrs. O.A. Nwogbe as the Administrative Secretary. The table below aptly depicts the composition of the new Board:

IRB Board Members

S/N	Names	M/F	Profession	Organization	Position on Board
1.	Dr. O. C. Ezechi	M	Gyne & Obstetrician	N.I.M.R., Yaba	Chairman
2.	Dr. B. Adewale	M	Bioethicist	N.I.M.R., Yaba.	Member
3.	Dr. Tajudeen Bamidele	M	Microbiologist	N.I.M.R., Yaba	Member
4	Dr. O. O. Aina	M	Pharmacologist	N.I.M.R., Yaba	Member
5.	Ms. Olayide Akanni	F	Media/Journalist	Journalist Against AIDS	Member
6.	Barr. Olatunde Daudu	M	Lawyer	Olatunde Daudu & Co,	Member
7.	Dr. R. A. Audu	F	Virologist	N.I.M.R., Yaba	Member
8.	Alh. A.S. Yunusazazzau	M	Administrator	N.I.M.R., Yaba	Member
9.	Dr. A. Z. Musa	F	Biostatistician	N.I.M.R., Yaba	Member
10.	Dr. N. David	F	Pediatrician	N.I.M.R., Yaba	Member
11.	Msgr. P. Nwaezeapu	M	Cleric	Catholic Church, Lagos	Member
12.	Dr. G. Ohihoin	M	Gyne & Obstetrician	N.I.M.R., Yaba	Member
13.	Mrs. O. A. Nwogbe	F	Information Scientist	N.I.M.R., Yaba	Admin Secretary
14.	Ms. Ifeoma Idigbe	F	Sociologist	N.I.M.R., Yaba	Member
15.	Alh. T.Y. Raheem	M	Med. Lab. Scientist	N.I.M.R. Yaba	Member
16	Alh. B. A.T. Lawal	M	Imam	Muslim Society	Member

The Desk Officers to the Board

Mrs. N. A. Ako-Okoli B.A.(Hons) &
Mrs, C.. M. Idoko-Joseph

Vision

To promote high ethical standards and ensure that the rights, health and welfare of potential research participants are protected and researchers are guided in conducting ethical research.

Mission

To ensure that research conducted in the Institute and in the health sector is independently reviewed in a fair and consistent manner that will ensure ethical conduct of research.

To develop guidelines for human research subject protection, identify ethical principles to guide the conduct of research.

To organize training workshops and seminars for IRB members and build capacity for researchers in research ethics and methodology.

Registrations with National & International Bodies

The Board is registered with the Office of Human

Research Protection (OHRP), the Federal Wide Assurance Number (FWA) and National Health Research Ethics Committee (NHREC) in Nigeria.

Standard Operating Procedures

NIMR-Institutional Review Board Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) comprise of the following sub-headings:

- i. Constituting Institutional Review Boards
- ii. Management of Protocol Submission
- iii. Review of Application Protocol
- iv. Review of Medical Device Study
- v. Clinical Trial
- vi. Indemnity for Research
- vii. Training and Continuing Education of Ethics Members and Personnel
- viii. Report of Monitoring Visit
- ix. Adverse Event Reporting Procedures

These Standard Operating Procedures were reviewed and modified by the Board in March 2016.

Meetings

The Board held three statutory meetings to discuss issues on health research ethics, research protocols, and review process and protocol

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approvals.

Protocols

A total number of forty-one (41) proposals were submitted to the Board in the year 2016. These protocols range from projects from NIMR,

Multinational organizations and students projects from various universities and polytechnics.

Among the forty-one(41) protocols, thirty-six (36) were approved, three dropped, one expunged on allegation of plagiarism. The protocols received in the year are listed below:

PROTOCOL NUMBER	TITLE	DATE RECEIVED	DATE APPROVED	STATUS
IRB/16/320	THE UTILIZATION OF GENEXPERT IN THE TIMELY DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF PTB PLHIV IN NIGERIA	07/01/16	26/05/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/321	ASSESSING THE ALIGNMENT BETWEEN COMMUNITY PERCEPTIONS OF URBAN HEALTH AND RESILIENCE NEEDS IN THE LAGOS METROPOLIS AND STATE, FEDERAL AND GLOBAL PRIORITIES	22/01/16	02/03/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/322	FACTORS AFFECTING TUBERCULOSIS TREATMENT ADHERENCE AMONG TB/HIV CO - INFECTED PATIENTS IN NIGERIAN INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL RESEARCH, LAGOS STATE, NIGERIA	22/01/16	02/03/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/323	ROTAVIRUS DIARRHEA IN NIGERIAN CHILDREN: PREVALENCE, VIRULENCE, DIVERSITY AND EMERGENCE OF NEW STRAINS	02/02/16	26/04/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/324	HEALTH RELATED QUALITY OF LIFE OF TUBERCULOSIS PATIENTS ATTENDING DOTS CLINIC IN LAGOS, NIGERIA.	20/02/16	05/05/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/325	THE USE OF E-JOURNALS BY HEALTH RESEARCHERS: A CASE STUDY OF THE NIGERIAN INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL RESEARCH (NIMR)	20/02/16	26/04/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/326	AN EVALUATION OF THE ETHICAL CONCERNS OF RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEES IN NIGERIA, USING THE PRINCIPLES AND BENCHMARKS PROPOSED BY EMANUEL ET AL. (2004).	20/02/16	07/06/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/327	OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE OF BTEX COMPOUNDS TO AUTOMOBILE MECHANICS AND PETROLEUM STATION ATTENDANTS .	DROPPED	DROPPED	DROPPED
IRB/16/328	ASSESSMENT OF DOSE REFERENCE LEVELS FOR COMMON RADIO-DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES IN SOUTHWESTERN NIGERIA	02/02/16	29/11/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/329	INVESTIGATION OF THE POTENTIAL BENEFICIAL EFFECTS OF CANNABIDIOL IN THE MANAGEMENT OF TARDIVE DYSKINESIA USING ANIMAL STUDIES AND A CLINICAL TRIAL .	06/03/16	03/05/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/330	THE PREVALENCE AND DETERMINANTS OF ANAEMIA AMONG HIV POSITIVE P REGNANT WOMEN ATTENDING ANTENATAL CLINICS IN LAGOS	EXPUNGED	EXPUNGED	EXPUNGED

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IRB/16/342	INTEGRATED BIOLOGICAL AND BEHAVIORAL SURVEILLANCE SURVEY (IBSS) AMONG TRUCK DRIVERS, THEIR APPRENTICES AND SEX WORKERS PATRONIZING THE PORTS OF APAPA, COTONOU, LOME, TEM A AND ABIDJAN	28/07/16	03/08/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/343	EVALUATING PROVISION OF THE LNG-IUS IN NIGERIA AND POTENTIAL FOR SCALE-UP OF THE METHOD	19/07/16	29/10/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/344	HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV) - CLINICAL SAMPLE COLLECTION	27/07/16	09/02/17	APPROVED
IRB/16/345	MUTATIONS IN THE <i>rpoB</i> GENE OF RIFAMPICIN RESISTANT <i>MYCOBACTERIUM TUBERCULOSIS</i> ISOLATES IN LAGOS, NIGERIA.	29/07/16	29/11/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/346	THE KNOWLEDGE AND PERCEPTION OF TEACHERS ON HEALTHFUL SCHOOL LIVING IN TWO SELECTED SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN IKORODU LAGOS, NIGERIA	DROPPED	DROPPED	DROPPED
IRB/16/347	GENOME WIDE SEARCH OF ANTIBODY CORRELATES OF SERA 5, MSP-3, AND PFRH5 VACCINE CANDIDATE ANTIGENS AMONG INFECTIOUS POPULATION OF NIGERIA AND ITS IMPLICATION FOR MALARIA VACCINE DEVELOPMENT	01/09/16	28/10/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/348	UNDERSTANDING THE PERSPECTIVES OF PARENTS REGARDING THE USE OF HPV VACCINE FOR THE PREVENTION OF CA CERVIX FOR THEIR DAUGHTERS AGED 9-14 YEARS IN LAGOS NIGERIA	30/09/16	26/10/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/349	PREVALENCE OF <i>PNCA</i> MUTATIONS AMONG RIFAMPICIN-RESISTANT <i>MYCOBACTERIUM TUBERCULOSIS COMPLEX</i> IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN COUNTRIES	04/10/16	13/12/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/350	HIV-1 DRUG RESISTANCE IN ANTIRETROVIRAL	06/10/16	22/03/17	APPROVED
IRB/16/351	EPIDEMIOLOGY OF COCCIDIAN INFECTIONS HIV POSITIVE WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN LAGOS STATE	10/10/16	08/11/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/352	OCULAR FINDINGS AMONG COHORTS OF ADULT PATIENTS WITH PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS. A MULTICENTRE STUDY	17/10/16	13/12/16	APPROVED
IRB/16/353	SONOGRAPHIC CORRELATION OF ABDOMINAL ADIPOSE TISSUE THICKNESS WITH BIOCHEMICAL AND ANTHROPOMETRIC PARAMETERS IN OBESE YORUBA TRIBE IN	31/10/16	06/12/16	APPROVED