COVID-19 Workspace Safety Plan Stage 2 Amendment for:
<Dr. Konrad Walus, Walus Lab, QMI 373 of Brimacombe>

UBC is starting Phase/Stage 2 of the COVID-19 response. Timing of the restart and requirements may vary by Faculty. This form is intended to amend the original workspace plan submitted as part of the Phase 1 return to research. The amendment will be reviewed by members of the Local Safety Team and/or by others appointed by the Director of AMPEL.

During Stage 2, the overall laboratory occupancy should be the lower of either 2/3rds of normal occupancy, or the maximum number of people allowable given physical distancing requirements and access considerations. Weekend (7AM-6PM) access may now be requested. Faculty office use may be allowed in a limited number of cases.

In this document, workspace plan refers to the Return to Research document or Workspace Safety Plan that was filled out an approved as part of phase I. Stage II refers to the next phase (Stage 2 follows Phase 1).

1. Occupancy
Normally occupancy will stay the same as it was in Phase 1, unless modifications are requested. If changes are requested, please indicate the new occupancy levels and provide a map depicting the individual workstations. Include a 2 m diameter circle for scaling. Also provide arrows indicating directions of circulation, if appropriate.

No change from Phase 1 document.

2. Updated Access List for Laboratory Space:
How many researchers and others normally have access to the laboratory space?

Right now, core lab member count is THREE (besides the PI Dr. Konrad Walus who might come to the lab very occasionally) of whom, TWO had already been granted access for Phase 1.

How many do you plan to have return at this time? Only those for whom access is important for completing their work should be admitted.

Addition of TWO PhD students. ONE of the TWO was already given access so this is for another ONE.

Please provide a list of all those who you wish to have access to laboratory space in Stage II.
3. Working within 2 m:

Working in close proximity should be avoided where possible. Double protection is required (face mask plus face shield) for people working within 2 m. Nitrile gloves and a lab coat are recommended. Are there situations (training, special procedures etc.) where two or more people will need to work in close proximity?

NO (the 4 members will mostly be working in separate rooms with the only common points of proximity being the wash basin and the doorways which are not areas where crowding will ever occur)

Please describe the situations, including frequency, duration, and any hazards associated with them. How will the hazards and COVID-19 risks be mitigated? If already covered in the workplan, simply mention this and refer to the section/page.

No changes. Please refer to section 2, subsection 5 of the APSC workspace safety plan approved for Phase 1.

4. Weekend and After-Hours Access:

Access is now possible on weekends from 7 AM to 6 PM. During the weekends occupants should not make use of building common areas, except washrooms. Only the washroom nearest to the lab should be used. Do you plan to have researchers access the lab over the weekend (Saturday/ Sunday 7 AM to 6 PM) or after hours?

YES (only for weekends from 7 AM to 6 PM)

After Hours: Normally access between 6 PM and 7 AM is not permitted. If such access is needed, please justify it. For after-hours work, researchers must not impede building cleaning, and should post signage if working during cleaning times.

NO (after-hours access not required at this point)

Describe how will occupancy limits and records of those who were present in the lab will be maintained. You may refer to the pages and sections of the Phase 1 workspace plan if there are no changes.
No changes. Please refer to section 5, subsection 12 of the APSC workspace safety plan approved for Phase 1.

5. Supervision and Working Alone

Please outline any working alone, supervision and other safety procedures. If the procedures have not changed since Phase I, please refer to the relevant section(s)/pages in the workspace plan.

No changes. Please refer to section 3, subsection 4 of the APSC workspace safety plan approved for Phase 1.

6. Faculty Offices

The Faculty level stage II plan limits the number of faculty returning to 25%. All returning faculty must complete the mandatory safety training. If you are requesting the use of faculty offices, please outline the rationale. Due to the limited access allowed at this time, we may not be able to approve all requests.

N/A

7. Staff and Researcher Office Space

Researchers and office staff who can work from home are expected to continue to work from home. Please contact the AMPEL Director if you have a need to use office space in Brimacombe.

N/A

Signatures

I/We agree to abide by the procedures described in the approved phase I workspace plan, as amended by this document. I/We will ensure that all researchers and staff who have access to the spaces covered in this document are aware that they also need to abide by these procedures, and that they complete safety training, including COVID-19 training, before returning to work. They have been made aware of physical distancing requirements, procedures for working in close proximity (where relevant), scheduling, working alone procedures and other safety considerations. I/We will arrange to keep track of and maintain records of occupancy during the period of COVID-19 restrictions. I/We will arrange for records of completed training and of the procedures (workspace plan and this amendment) to be accessible from the workspaces. Occupancy limits will also be posted in each space.

Principal Investigator (Director or Manager in case of shared facilities)

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Date: Nov 26, 2020
Signature:

Additional PI/Manager (copy as needed)

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