

Draft CCMM Group Meeting Minutes
Meeting held: 12.45-13.45 Monday 9 March 2026 GS2

Present: A Perkins, Lu Zhang, Ben Steel, Mike Moore, Ruth Cameron, Ana Duarte, Melike Temizturk, Tom Sweeney, Jiaer Chen, Aditya Nandakumar, Dan Bax, Nemo Wang, Lillian Zhang, Emma Gough

Apologies: Serena Best, Kerem Citak, Cindy Wai, Sumedh Kampli, Greg Truman

There was no talk.

Health, Safety and Welfare: There were no issues raised.

Risk Assessment and COSHH Forms: Group noted the usual reminders about keeping up to date.

Lab matters: Freeze driers:

Gloria is broken. The condenser is not getting down to temperature.

Action: MM to obtain a quote for repair.

Clive (older drier than Gloria) is still working but sometime shows inconsistent freezing. Clive is fine to use but it is recommended to extend freezing time (e.g. extra 2 hours) for good results.

Elton – DVB mention that can use the thermocouples on the shelf – to run a test to check it is going down at a good degrees / minute rate.

Action: MM run diagnostics on Clive.

The Royce freeze drier is available at £5/hour.

Discussion of track cost and if group usage could reduce this cost further.

For advice /guidance please talk to Dan.

Amnesty – MM needs time to do the paperwork for disposal of our waste chemicals. Please remember the deadline is 19/03

Lab clean: The next lab clean will be on Friday 13 March. If you are not able to make your turn please swap with someone from the other group.

AOB: The next round of Royce access funding begins in April. For more information and help with the application form please talk with Dan. (Reminder any project has to be collaborating with an external partner).

The Axio Zeiss Microscope is now bookable on PPMS. It is free to use.

Date of next meeting: Monday 16 March 2026 (Ben Steel)