

Laboratory Accreditation System Executive Committee
SIR Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
April 30, 2020 12:30 pm Eastern

1) Welcome and Introductions

Judy Morgan welcomed everyone to the meeting. As Maria continues to learn about LASEC's operations and responsibilities, she asked that Judy moderate an additional meeting as Maria gets up to speed. The change in meeting date from Tuesday, April 28 to Thursday, April 30, was due to availability of the Chair, and was announced on short notice. Attendance is recorded in Attachment A.

2) Consideration of Microbiology Expert Committee Response to SIR #371

While the Chairs (in this instance, Judy and Kristin) determined that SIR #371 was a valid SIR, the Chair of Microbiology declared that it is not a SIR, since the standard is specific that testing for pH is required for dilution water and that no interpretation is needed or even possible.

The question asked whether dilution water has to be tested if made from a particular type of sterilized reagent water, and if so, what should the pH be. The Microbiology response stated that the standard requires that dilution water be monitored for pH, but is silent about the required pH range, since that is dependent on the method for which the dilution water will be used, or as otherwise documented in the laboratory's quality system documentation.

The SIR submitter will be notified that the question has been determined to be not a valid SIR. The letter will note that the standard is specific, that the dilution water must be checked for pH, and also reflect that the pH is dependent on the use for which the dilution water is prepared.

3) Next Meeting

The SIR Subcommittee may meet on **Tuesday, May 26, 2020, at 1:30 pm Eastern** if new or revised interpretations are ready for review, or possibly a different date will be chosen, depending on subcommittee members' availability.

Attachment A

PARTICIPANTS – SIR SUBCOMMITTEE OF LASEC

	NAME	EMAIL	TERM, End Date	INTEREST	AFFILIATION	S/H CATEGORY	PRESENT
1	Judy Morgan, Chair	Judy.Morgan@pacelabs.com	12/21 (extended)	SIRs	Pace Analytical	Lab/FSMO	Yes
2	Maria Friedman, Chair-Elect	gamfriedman@gmail.com	12/22 (first term)	SIRs	CA ELAP	Non-NELAP AB	Yes
3	Carl Kircher	carl.kircher@doh.state.fl.us	Associate	SIRs	FL DOH	NELAP AB	Yes
4	Silky Labie	elcatllc@centurylink.net	12/20 (first term)	SIRs	ELCAT	Other	Yes
5	Bill Hall	George.Hall@des.nh.gov	12/21 (first term)	SIRs	NH ELAP	NELAP AB	Yes
6	Harold Longbaugh	harold.longbaugh@houstontx.gov	12/19 (first term)	SIRs	Houston Lab	Lab	Yes
7	Gale Warren	gigwarren@gmail.com	Associate	SIRs	Retired (NY DOH)	Other	No
	Program Admin. Lynn Bradley	Lynn.bradley@nelac-institute.org					Yes