

Protein Expression and Purification

For protein expression and purification, we request a total of \$6,590 in year 1, \$6,705 in year 2, and \$5,260 in each year of years 3-5. Details of protein expression and purification costs include histidine-tagged protein purification columns (\$125 each), Q sepharose fast flow media (\$116 each), protein inhibitor (\$289 each), eStern Protein stain (\$100 each), and T25 culture plates (\$116 each). It is expected that most samples will be processed in year 1, so costs are estimated to reduce 60% over 3 years.

Serological Tests

We request support for serology assays. None will be conducted in year one until we have sufficient samples. We estimate costs for years 2-5 with \$9,220 in year 2 and due to additional IgM and IgG secondary antibody costs and increases in reagent costs, \$436 in years 3-5. Cost estimates include IgM and IgG secondary antibodies (\$72.25; mouse and rabbit IgG antibodies at \$14.50 each) and IgM and IgG primary antibodies (\$424 and ELISA kits at \$2.90 each).

Lap Supplies

Funding is requested to support laboratory supplies including three (3) 500 ml T-25 flasks (\$1,015 each), reagents including agarose, sodium chloride, yeast extract, phosphate buffer, Tris and other biochemical reagents (average cost \$1,000 per year); glassware (e.g. 15 ml conical tubes) are estimated to average in year 2-5 (average cost \$665 per year); disposable personnel protective equipment (PPE), portable breathing apparatus (PAPR), gloves and protective clothing to be used in BSL settings are estimated at \$723 per year; and in vitro culture (lipofectamine2000) will be required at cost of \$454 in year 1 and \$2,168 per year in years 2-5.

H. Indirect Costs

WPS Office 2019 Standard

RESEARCH & RELATED BUDGET - Cumulative Budget

	Totals (\$)
Section A, Personnel Costs	\$ 378,000.00
Section B, Other Personnel Costs	\$ 0.00
Total Number Other Personnel	0
Total Salary, wages and benefits	\$ 85,000.00
Section C, Travel Equipment	\$ 0.00
Section D, Training	\$ 0.00
1. Domestic	\$ 0.00
2. Foreign	\$ 21,570.00
Section E, Participant/Trainee Support Costs	\$ 0.00
1. Tuition/Fees/Health Insurance	\$ 0.00
2. Stipends	\$ 0.00
3. Travel	\$ 0.00
4. Subsistence	\$ 0.00
5. Other	\$ 0.00
6. Number of Participants/Trainees	\$ 0.00
Section F, Other Direct Costs	\$ 243,000.00
1. Materials	\$ 0.00
2. Publication Costs	\$ 0.00
3. Consultant Services	\$ 0.00
4. ADP/Computer Services	\$ 0.00
5. Subawards/Consolidated Actual Costs	\$ 0.00
6. Equipment or Facility Rental/User Fees	\$ 0.00
7. Alterations and Repairs	\$ 0.00
8. Professional Services	\$ 0.00
9. Other	\$ 0.00
10. Other 3	\$ 0.00
Section G, Direct Costs (A thru F)	\$ 350,000.00
Section H, Indirect Costs	\$ 28,000.00
Section I, Total Direct and Indirect Costs (G + H)	\$ 378,000.00
Section J, Fee	\$ 0.00
Section K, Total Costs and Fee (I + J)	\$ 378,000.00

1. Vertebrate Animals SectionAre vertebrate animals euthanized?

If "Yes" to euthanasia

Is the method in accordance with AVMA guidelines?

 Yes No

If "No" to AVMA guidelines, describe method and provide justification.

2. *Program Income Section

*Is program income received?

 Yes No

If you checked "yes" above, indicating that program income is received from source(s), indicate the source(s).

See also:

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3. Human Embryonic Stem Cells Section

*Does the proposed project involve the use of human embryonic stem cells? Yes No

If the proposed project involves human embryonic stem cells, please indicate below the registration number of the cell line(s) listed in the following list: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/hESC.html>. If more than one cell line will be used, check the box indicating that one from the list will be used and indicate which one.

Specific stem cell line(s) cannot be referenced above. Or me, One from the list above will be used.

Cell Line(s) (Example: 0004):

4. Inventions and Patents (New application/ Renewal application)

*Inventions and Patents: Yes No

If the answer is "Yes" then please describe the following:

*Previously Reported: Yes No

5. Change of Project Director/Principal Investigator

Change of Project Director/Principal Investigator

Name of former Project Director/Principal Investigator:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name:

Suffix:

Change of Grantee Institution

*Name of former institution:

Introduction**1. Introduction to Application**

(for Resubmission and Revision applications)

Research Plan Section**2. Specific Aims**

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3. Research Strategy

NIAID_COV_2019_RESEARCH_STRATEGY_final.pdf

4. Progress Report**Other Research Plan Section****5. Vertebrate Animals**

NIAID_COV_2019_VERTEBRATE_ANIMALS_Final.pdf

6. Select Agent Research

NIAID_COV_2019_SELECT_AGENT.pdf

7. Multiple PD/PI Leadership Plan**8. Consortium/Contractual Arrangements****9. Other Terms of Support**

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10. Resource Sharing Plan(s)

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11. Antivertification of Recombinant Bioterrorism Agents**Appendix****Supplementary**

SPECIFIC AIMS

Zoonotic coronaviruses are a significant threat to global health, as demonstrated with the emergence of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome coronavirus (SARS-CoV) in 2002. In the continuing spread of Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS-CoV), our group has shown that our group has found bat species, and since then we have sequenced dozens of novel SARS-related CoV (SARSr-CoV) strains. Our previous R01 work demonstrates that bats in southern China harbor an extraordinary diversity of SARSr-CoVs, many of which are able to use human ACE2 to enter into human cells and can infect humanized mouse models to cause SARS-like illness, and evade available therapies or vaccines. We found that living close to bat habitats are the primary risk groups for spillover. At one of these sites, we found diverse SARSr-CoVs, and we hypothesize that the geographic distribution of human exposure among people, their interactions with SARSr-CoVs, and of public health impacts. Yet, can we predict where and when CoV spillover will occur? Which human behaviors pose the greatest risk of bat SARSr-CoV emergence and transmission? Does human behavior lead to SARS-like or other illness? Can we characterize viral strain diversity, bat traits and human behaviors to predict potential future CoV spillover? The proposed work will build on and refine findings to address these issues by: 1) conducting focused sampling of bats in southern China to predict the predicted risk of spillover; 2) community-based and clinic-based syndromic sampling of people to identify spillover and assess key risk factors and evidence of illness; and 3) perform viral characterization and analyze epidemiological data to identify hotspots of future CoV spillover risk. This work will follow 3 specific aims:

Aim 1: Characterize the diversity and distribution of SARSr-CoVs and predict risk of spillover.

Ch1: We will conduct large-scale sampling at sites where previously undiscovered high risk SARSr-CoV strains exist. Bat sampling will be targeted geographically and by host species to test predicted evolutionary diversity of SARSr-CoVs and predict risk of spillover to people in Aim 3.

Aim 2: Identify key risk factors for SARSr-CoV spillover and potential public health consequences. We will conduct focused, targeted human surveys and sampling to identify key risk factors for SARSr-CoV spillover and evidence of illness. To maximize our opportunity for capturing human exposure to bat CoVs, we will conduct community-based syndromic surveillance with high SARSr-CoV spillover risk locations and seropositive status. To better understand human health outcomes, we will conduct clinic-based syndromic surveillance close to bat habitats to detect SARS-like illness and severe acute respiratory illness, assess the presence of SARSr-CoV in clinical samples for PCR and serological evidence of SARSr-CoV infection. We will conduct follow-up sampling to capture patients who had not yet sought medical care at the time of initial visit.

Aim 3: Characterize SARSr-CoVs in vitro and in vivo. We will use *in vitro* and *in vivo* phylogenetic analyses to identify the regions and viruses of public health concern. We will test the propensity of novel SARSr-CoVs to infect people *in vitro* using primary *vivo* human airway epithelial cells and, *in vivo*, using the transgenic hACE2 mouse model. We will show that SARS-CoV MERS with 10-20% divergence from SARS-CoV can still infect human cells, and to evade mAb therapeutics and vaccines. We will then map the geographic distribution of their bat hosts and other ecological factors to identify the key hotspots of risk for future spillover.

Overall, our SARSr-CoV program will provide critical information on the key ecological and human factors contributing to CoV emergence while informing high impact strategies to intervene and prevent future pandemics. This includes providing critical reagents, therapeutic agents, and tools for future SARSr-CoV pandemic and zoonotic health preparedness.

previous work also suggests that SARSr-CoVs with S proteins that are ~10% divergent from SARS-CoV resist neutralization by therapeutic mAbs and escape SARS-CoV vaccines (17, 18, 23), suggesting that viruses with 10-25% divergence in S proteins may bind to human cell receptors but completely evade therapeutic and vaccine effects, and could therefore be a major risk for public health. We will sequence the S proteins of novel SARSr-CoVs and use them as reagents for experimental work in Aim 3 to test this hypothesis.

1.3 General Approach: We will use sequence data from our previous work (17, 18, 23) and R01 to pinpoint sites and hotspots of divergence in the S protein. We will sample bats from Yunnan, Guizhou, and Guangdong provinces in China, and from the Yunnan-Guizhou Plateau, which contains many undiscovered SARSr-CoVs and with competent new host species. Precise sampling site locations will be refined in Y1. We will target at least 5,000 individual bats over 5 years from 15-20 species of *Rhinolophus* bats, which will allow us to almost fully characterize the S protein divergence of selected natural diverse SARSr- and other p-CoVs in the region. Bats will be captured, sampled, and released at the site. Specimens will be transported in liquid N₂ to WIV lab in Inst. Virology (WIV) for PCR screening and positive samples selected for further molecular characterization and sequencing. Sequencing of the S gene will lead to synthesis of S protein variants and data analysis for this Aim; and WIV will lead the testing and viral sequencing.

1.3 Sampling and testing of bats: 1.3.a Site selection: We will use survey data from our previous work on viral trait modeling, phylogeographic analyses of RdRp and S Protein sequences, and geographic and nongeographic species-based viral discovery curve analyses to identify SARSr-CoV diversity hotspots. We will sample at 8 new sites in Yunnan provinces. We will use cave site data (17), and demographic information to identify two sites in each of Yunnan, Guanxi, and Guangdong provinces where humans likely have minimal contact with bats. In Yunnan, we will identify two under-sampled caves close to, but distant from, the human settlements. This will provide adequate coverage of lineages 1 and 2 SARS-CoVs, including a new source of new PRCoV CoVs, which have unknown potential for zoonotic spillover. Sampling will begin to target these sites in Y1. We will use survey data from our previous work and nosocomial data to identify 10 under-sampled *Rhinolophus* spp., 5 other SARSr-CoV hotspots in our study area, and small numbers of related bat genera (including *Hippobosca* spp. and *Aselliscus* spp.) we previously found PCR positive for SARSr-CoVs (**Table 1**). We will sample at least 500 individual bats from these 4 provinces. Given the estimated ~5-12% prevalence of SARSr-CoVs in PRCoV hotspots, we expect to find SARSr-CoVs in ~10% of bats, or up to 425 (± 175) positive individual bats, and ~125 novel strains.

1.3.b CoV screening in bat RNA: Viral RNA will be extracted using the QIAamp Viral RNA Kit (Qiagen). A will be aliquoted and stored at -80°C. One step RT-PCR will be used to detect the presence of CoV sequences using primers that target a 440-nt fragment in the RdRp-dependent RNA-dependent polymerase gene (RdRp) of all known alpha- and betacovs (46). PCR products will be sequenced and sequenced with an ABI 3130xl sequencer. The S gene will be sequenced using the same method to find interesting novel CoVs, using Vero E6 cells and bat primary kidney cell culture.

1.3.c Sequencing S protein: For all novel SARSr-CoV strains, we will sequence the complete genome by amplifying overlapping fragments using degenerate primers as shown previously (17, 18, 23). Full-length genomes of selected SARSr-CoV strains (representative across subclades) will be sequenced via high-throughput sequencing method followed by genome walking. The sequencing libraries will be constructed using NEBNext Ultra II DNA Library Prep Kit (Illumina). PCR will be performed to fill gaps in the genome. The full length S gene sequences, including the amount of variation in the S receptor binding residues that bind the ACE2 receptor, will be used to select strains for Aim 3 experiments.

1.3.d Host ACE2 receptors: We will sequence host ACE2 receptors from different bat species or different populations from a single species (*Rhinolophus*) to determine the relative importance of ACE2 in high risk SARSr-CoVs. We will also sequence the human orthologue ACE2 contact interface residues that engage the SARS-CoV S protein as a potential indicator of SARSr-CoV cross species transmission potential using bioinformatics.

1.4 Analyses: **1.4.a Bat-CoV evolution:** Phylogenetic analyses of S protein, Spike, and full genome sequence (when available) data to reconstruct the evolutionary history of the novel bat SARSr-CoVs.

reconstruct β-CoV evolution and predict future spillover events. We will also use our viral discovery/accumulation curve approach to predict spatial distribution of β-CoVs in “hostive species” in China. We will use community-based sampling and evaluate overlap with people. We will use our viral discovery/accumulation curve approach (**Fig. 4**) to monitor progress toward discovery of novel SARSr-CoVs or predicted diversity of SARSr-CoVs (range ~1-2) within specific bird sites, halting sampling when this target is reached, and freeing resources for work on other sites.

Which Viral strain prioritization? Given the many novel SARSr-CoVs already identified, we will prioritize which to prioritize for further characterization based on S protein variation: i) different from SHC014, WIV1, SARS-CoV with diversity ranges of 10-25%; ii) have virus S RBD that can bind human/bat receptors; iii) have recombinant chimeric spikes indicative of recombination between avian and human/bat viruses; iv) have beta ACE2 receptors that might select for spike RBDs that can use human receptors for entry (15/18 conserved residues in human/bat ACE2 molecules that bind SARSs-CoV S RBD domains are likely more efficient receptors than 3/18 conserved sites). Using structural models based on the SARS-CoV genome, the extent and location of antigenic variation will be annotated onto the structure, further advancing the analysis of highly evolving and conserved regions.

1.5 Potential problems/alternatives

Selection of study sites: We have a large number of potential study sites across China, starting at the start of this project. Due to the abundance of distinct coronaviruses in the region, we will rapidly identify a suitable, complementary set of sites with similar bat species composition and may include SARSr-CoVs in our sample bats. This will be due to seasonality of viral shedding. The sample regions we have selected are historical and are located in four provinces (51), while the new sample regions (52), do not suggest a strong pattern of seasonality in SARSr-CoV shedding. Nonetheless, for this we will conduct sampling every 6 months on quarterly basis within each province.

Aim 2: Community and clinic-based surveillance to capture SARSr-CoV spillover, routes of exposure and potential public health consequences

2.1 Rationale: Our previous R01 study identified serological evidence of exposure to SARSr-CoVs in certain communities in S. China (**Table 2, Fig. 10**) (19). However, low seroprevalence (0-10%) in these sites suggests we need a larger sample size, and a focused, targeted study to maximize the likelihood of identifying seropositive cases. In Aim 2, we will use combined biological-behavioral risk surveillance in targeted populations within the community and clinical settings to 1) identify risk factors for SARSr-CoV spillover (exposure to) and 2) determine status (infection with, but not yet disease), and 2) assess possible health effects of SARSr-CoVs in humans. This will help us to better understand the likelihood of recent ‘hidden’ spillover events and improve likely health outcomes, as well as the risk of emergence of SARS-like diseases. It will also support the development of risk-mitigation strategies by public health authorities.

2.2 General Approach/Innovation: We will use a dual study design to gain in-depth understanding of exposure and risk factors for SARSr-CoV spillover (**Fig. 13**). We will conduct community-based surveillance with more focused questionnaires and biological sampling to determine the seroprevalence of SARSr-CoVs in at-risk human populations, and to identify risk factors for SARS-CoV spillover in these communities. We will conduct clinic-based syndromic surveillance to detect early signs of SARS-CoV spillover in community-based surveillance sites within their catchment. This will include follow-up sampling to determine seroconversion rates and SARS-CoV replication. Both community-based and clinic-based syndromic surveillance programs are case-control studies designed with the sample sizes necessary to statistically validate the power of 80% of risk factors and health impacts for SARSr-CoV spillover, linked to seroconversion.

2.3 Target population & sample size: We will target sites in the same four provinces, and close to those for HCoV-OC43, which are currently the most common human coronaviruses. We will target sites where the S protein sequence divergence of 5-25% (or 1.0) high rates of human-wildlife interactions. Community-based surveillance will be conducted at 2 sites in each of the 4 provinces, a total of 8 sites. From our previous work we anticipate that 10-30% of the community population will have antibodies to SARSr-CoVs.

therefore likely to have infected people more widely. Incorporating serological testing for SHC014 is also likely to yield higher seroprevalence because it is readily divergent from SARS-CoV wildtype lineage, therefore unlikely to have been picked up in our earlier testing. It is possible that non-neutralizing cross-reactive epitopes exist that afford an accurate measure of cross-reactivity between clade 1 and clade 2 strains. This would allow us to target exposure to strains with 15-25% divergence from SARS-CoV. Additional assays will test samples for antibodies to common bat CoVs (HCoV NL63, OC43 – see page 16). We will also recognize that CoVs have a high propensity to recombine. To serologically target novel recombinant exposure, we will conduct 1) ELISA screening for SARSr-CoV S or RBD; 2) confirm positive results by Western blot; then 3) use NP based ELISA and LIPS to detect a diversity of SARSr-CoVs. In addition, NP ELISA, micro-titer plates will be coated with 100 ng/well of recombinant hCoV S protein incubated with human sera in duplicates followed by detection with HRP labeled goat anti-human IgG antibody. Positive samples will be subjected to full genome sequencing and RT-PCR amplification of the S glycoprotein gene. Samples from the clinic-based syndromic surveillance will be tested for SARS-CoV, Influenza A & B, HCoV NL63, OC43, HKU1, SARS-CoV-2, 2009E, as well as other SARS-CoV and HKU1, in an opportunistic survey for potential spillover these CoVs as proposed.

2.6 b RT-PCR testing: Specimens will be sent to sequencing centers for full genome sequencing (see details). Positive samples will be subjected to full genome sequencing and RT-PCR amplification of the S glycoprotein gene. Samples from the clinic-based syndromic surveillance will be tested for SARS-CoV, Influenza A & B, HCoV NL63, OC43, HKU1, SARS-CoV-2, 2009E, as well as other SARS-CoV and HKU1, in an opportunistic survey for potential spillover these CoVs as proposed.

2.7 Epidemiologic investigation: We will conduct a study to determine the source of SARS-CoV-2 spillover. "Cases" are defined as participants whose sample tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 by serological assays. "Controls" will be selected from the pool of participants who did not test positive for SARS-CoV-2 by serological assays. Cases will use nearest neighbor matching to pair cases demographically with controls. We will use generalized linear models to analyze correlation between seropositivity/PCR status and risk factors including: Activities with likely exposure to 1) bats, 2) livestock, and 3) locations of residence and work. We will compare cases and unexposed enrollees, in the time course of illness, severity of symptoms, and type of symptoms.

2.8 Potential problem: We will have the challenge of identifying sufficient seropositives to statistically analyze risk behavior or illness. First, we are adding community-based surveillance to subpopulations with high-levels of bat exposure, at sites selected for diverse and prevalent SARSr-CoVs, and are adding clinic-based syndromic surveillance of SARS-CoV-2 and ILI cases in these same regions – both will increase likelihood of finding positive individuals. Second, we will include a panel of assays for a large diversity of lineage 1 and 2 SARS-CoVs as well as SADS-CoV, HKU1, and other bat-borne CoVs. *Phinomelophorus* species bats host all of these (overall bat CoV PCR prevalence, 11.6%, β-CoV, 3.4%, α-CoV, 1.1%). The presence of multiple CoVs in the same individual has been shown, but it is not clear what the implications are for seroprevalence. We will add a seroepidemiological sectional study of the seroprevalence of bat CoVs to our community-based surveillance and human-wildlife contact survey work. We will analyze intensity of contact against other risk factors and clinical outcomes to provide useful proxy information for spillover risk. We are visiting communities where cleared virus, but not yet developed IgG antibodies, are common. Our sampling should reflect this because the maximum duration of IgM is ~30 days.

2.8 days (53). We also expect that patients in rural communities will only visit clinics when symptoms have progressed, likely coinciding with late illness and onset of IgG. We will also have data from our community study, so won't be completely representative of population. We will also consider the fact that bat CoV prevalence outweighed by the potential public health impact of SARS-CoV-2. All human infections from SARS-CoV-2 are Serologically confirmed.

tiered serological testing system outlined in 2.6 a/b to identify novel CoVs; however, we will also remain flexible on interpretation of data.

Aim 3: *In vitro* and *in vivo* characterization of SARS-CoV spillover risk, coupled with spatial and phylogenetic analyses to identify the regions and viruses of greatest public health concern

3.1 Ratios male/female

strains, targeting 10-25% S protein sites. This will facilitate the development of a new generation of therapeutic and vaccine efficacy. In Aim 3, we will further characterize the zoonotic potential of a group of these novel CoVs, by using next-generation sequencing technology, bioinformatics analysis and analysis of HKU3r-CoV receptor binding to test cells. We will also determine the R₀ threshold to predict epidemic potential (1.0-5.0). We will evaluate the potential risk of SARS-CoV-2 transmission and infection experiments, coupled with bat bat distribution, viral diversity and phylogeny, human behaviors and human and human serology to assess spillover risk of SARS-CoVs in different bat species across China and other countries. This will effectively reduce the risk of SARS-CoV-2 transmission and surveillance to prevent the emergence of a novel SARS-CoV.

3.2 General Information

25% S protein divergence we predict as high public health potential and construct chimeric S_A/S_B-CoVs using the WIV1 backbone and these S genes. We will also use a panel of S_A/S_B-CoVs with varying degrees of pathogenicity and assess infection of non-permissive cells expressing human, bat and civet ACE2 receptors, Vero cells, primary bat lung epithelial cells and Caco-2 cells (which have fibroblast-like properties and may use intestinal epithelium in nature). We will conduct experimental infections in hACE2 transgenic mice to assess pathogenicity and clinical signs (18). Finally, using a panel of antibodies that neutralize SARS-CoV-2 in vitro and *in vivo*, and vaccine naïve humans, we will use these antibodies to evaluate the neutralizing activity of divergent S protein sequences to evaluate therapeutic potential against circulating strains with high public health potential. We will also conduct limited experiments to analyze hACE2-CoV receptor binding and assess spillover potential by using these results, and data from Aims 1 and 2, we will use spatial modeling techniques to identify geographic hotspots in southern China where bat species that harbor high risk S_A/S_B-CoVs inhabit, where communities that have high exposure to bats exist; where no evidence of spillover has been identified and where underlying demographic or environmental trends suggest high risk of future emergence.

3.3 Virus characterization

S gene of novel SARS-CoVs and the SARS-CoV-like genome database

developed in our previous R01 (24). The correct infant AC cDNA clones will be screened by BAC DNA digestion with appropriate restriction enzymes and the resulting fragments analyzed by sequencing.

and was verified by sequence analysis¹³. Our research group is well versed in coronavirus reverse transcriptase.

3.3.b Cell entry analysis

1.0 for 1h. The inoculum is removed and the cells are washed twice with PBS and supplemented with medium. HeLa cells without ACE2 are used as negative control. After 1-4 hours latter infected cells are fixed with PBS and fixed with 4% formaldehyde/PBS (pH 7.4) at 4°C for 1h. ACE2 expression is detected by rabbit anti-human ACE2 immunoglobulin followed by FITC-labelled donkey anti-goat immunoglobulin. Viral replication is detected by using rabbit antibody against the nucleocapsid protein of bat SARSr-CoV followed by Cy3-conjugated mouse anti-rabbit IgG. Finally, the infected cells are imaged under a fluorescence microscope and conducted to determine the viral titers and growth kinetics in the infected cells.

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Progress report publication list: R01 AI110964, Daszak PI, Project Period: 06/01/2014 – 05/31/2019

The following are peer-reviewed papers published from work funded by the NIH AIID R01 during the project period (1-18). Other manuscripts on behavioral risk, phylogenetic and viral risk characterization are in prep and awaiting submission prior to the end date of the grant.

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3. V. D. Menachery et al., A SARS-like cluster of circulating bat coronaviruses shows potential for human emergence. *Nature Medicine* **21**, 1578–1585 (2015). PMID: 265332008
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11. L. P. Zeng et al., Cross-neutralization of SARS-CoV-2 with betacoronaviruses from southern China. *Science* **371**, eab4103 (2021). PMID: 33670121
12. X. L. Yang et al., Discovery of diverse coronaviruses in *Rousettus* and *Eonycteris* spp. Bats, China, and 2015. *Emerging Infectious Diseases* **23**, 482–486 (2017). PMID: 28221123
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15. C. M. Luo et al., Discovery of Novel Bat Coronaviruses in South China That Use the Same Receptor as Middle East Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus. *Journal of Virology* **92**, (2018). PMID: 29669833
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17. Z. Wu et al., A review of the evidence for the wildlife origin of emerging infectious diseases. *Frontiers in Veterinary Science* **7**, 103 (2019). PMID: 31130000
18. P. Zhou et al., Fatal swine disease associated with a novel coronavirus from a patient with atypical pneumonia of unknown origin. *Nature* **556**, 255–258 (2018). PMID: 30000000

PHS Human Subject Protection and Safety
OMB Number: 0925-0001
Expiration Date: 03/31/2020

Are Human Subjects Involved? Yes No

Is the Project Exempt from Review? Yes No

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Exempt Category:

Other Requested Information:

Human Subject Study

Study#	Study title	Clinical trial?
1	Understanding the role of environmental surveillance to capture SARS-CoV spillover, routes of exposure and health consequences	Yes

Section 1. Basic Information / Study

Expiration Date: 03/31/2020

1.1. Study Title *

Understanding the Risk of Bat Coronaviruses Emergence in China: Current Status and Future Work on SARSr-CoV Spillover, Routes of Entry, and Host Factors

1.2. Is this study excepted from FDCI regulations? *

Regulations *

1.3. Exempt ***1.4. Clinical Trial Category ***

1.4.a. Does the study involve human participants?

1.4.b. Are all participants prospectively assigned to any intervention?

Yes No

1.4.c. Is the study designed to evaluate interventions for behavioral participants?

Yes No

1.4.d. Is the effect that is evaluated a behavioral outcome?

Yes No

1.5. Provide the ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier (e.g.

NCT876545)