



Minutes

Date Wednesday, 09/07/2025

Time 10:00 AM

To Sub-Standing Committee

At Virtual, MS Teams

Subject AWERB Standing Committee

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Present:

(observer)

Scientists in attendance for 1a) , 1b) , 1c) N/A, 1d) N/A & 1e) N/A

Apologies:

Minutes:

1. Project Licences

a) New:

The committee discussed the following:

- Consideration given to the inclusion of specific references in the Reduction section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- Consideration given to the inclusion of specific references in the Refinement section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- Further review of the Animal Experience section of all protocols to ensure the movement of animals between protocols is clear and easy to follow.
- Amendment of the title of step 3 of Protocol 4.
- Consideration given to whether there are any further adverse effects for the administration of specific substances and further updating of subsequent sections in step 4 of Protocol 4.
- Consideration given to whether step 8 of Protocol 5 should be removed.
- The inclusion of an answer for step 12 of Protocol 6.
- Further clarification required in steps 10 and 11 of Protocol 6.
- Further information required regarding specific procedures planned in step 9 of Protocol 8.
- The inclusion of a typical and worst-case scenarios for the life experience of an animal undergoing specific procedures in the Animal Experience section of the Protocol 8.

The committee agreed changes were needed before a draft is submitted to the Home Office.

b) New:

The committee discussed the following:

- The inclusion of the definitions for scientific or technical terms the first time they are used in the Non-Technical Summary.



- The removal of references to the protocol number in the Reduction section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- The removal of the anaesthetic codes from each of the procedures in step 1 and step 4 of Protocol 2.
- Amendment of specific wording in step 4 of Protocol 2.
- Further review of specific wording in step 4 of Protocol 2.
- Amendment of step numbers in the Animal Experience section of Protocol 2.
- The inclusion of specific information in step 2 of Protocol 3.
- Further amendment of step 5 of Protocol 3 to ensure it matches the table in the Protocol Justification section.
- Consideration given to answering 'yes' in step 7 of Protocol 3 to include specific adverse effects.
- The inclusion of specific procedures in step 8 of Protocol 3 as well as the Non-Technical Summary, Animal Experience and the Protocol Justification sections.
- Further review of the wording in step 9 of Protocol 3 and the inclusion of a clear end point if specific paragraphs are removed.
- The inclusion of specific sentences in the Animal Experience section of Protocol 3.

The committee agreed changes were needed before a draft is submitted to the Home Office.

c) Amendment: [REDACTED] ([REDACTED] was also in attendance)

The committee discussed the following:

- Further review of specific wording in the Non-Technical Summary.
- Consideration given to whether further information around specific replacements that were mentioned during the researcher's presentation could be included in the Replacement section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- Further explanation required regarding specific models in the Refinement section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- Further review of the protocol numbers listed in the Establishment section of the Project Location section to ensure they are correct.

The committee agreed changes were needed before a draft is submitted to the Home Office.

d) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- The committee had no recommendations for the researcher to consider ahead of submission on ASPeL.

e) AAALAC Report: [REDACTED] (was also in attendance)

The committee discussed the following:

- Further details required regarding how the SOPs discussed during the presentation are being practically implemented within the facility to ensure the recommendations raised are now being fully completed.

2. Minutes of the last meeting 14/05/25 & 11/06/25



The minutes from the previous meetings were noted.

3. Retrospective Reviews [RR]

a) [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Further detail required in Section 2.4.
- Further information required in Section 2.7.
- Further consideration given to waste in Section 2.7.
- The committee commended specific efforts made in Section 2.8.
- The committee commended the progress made regarding specific replacements and asked if further information could be added in Section 3.1.
- The inclusion of information from Section 3.1 if applicable in Section 3.2.
- Further clarification required in Section 3.3.
- Further information required in Section 3.6.
- The answer given in Section 3.8 should be changed to 'no'.
- Confirmation that there are no publications that could be included in Section 4.8.

4. Any other business

None

5. Date of next meeting: 13/08/2025