



Minutes

Date Wednesday, 10/09/2025

Time 10:00 AM

To Sub-Standing Committee

At Virtual, MS Teams

Subject AWERB Standing Committee

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Present:

Scientists in attendance for **1a)** [REDACTED], **1b) NA & 1c) N/A**

Apologies: [REDACTED]

Minutes: [REDACTED]

1. Project Licences

a) New: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Further review of the application to ensure all typographical errors are corrected.
- The inclusion of examples of specific procedures in the Refinement section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- The inclusion of specific adverse effects and humane endpoints in step 1 of Protocol 5 and step 1 of Protocol 6.
- Further consideration given to the body condition score given for animals suffering from specific adverse effects in step 1 of Protocol 5 and step 1 of Protocol 6.
- The removal of specific descriptions in step 5 of Protocol 5 and step 8 of Protocol 6.
- Consideration given to whether the answer in step 5 of Protocol 5 and step 8 of Protocol 6 should be changed to 'yes' and if specific adverse effects should also be included.
- Further review of the temperature range given in step 6 of Protocol 5 and step 9 of Protocol 6 to ensure they are consistent.
- Further expansion of the final paragraph regarding the monitoring of specific animals in step 6 of Protocol 5 and step 9 of Protocol 6.

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

b) Amendment: [REDACTED] attended on his behalf)

The committee discussed the following:

- Further justification for the increased number of administrations in the Project Harms section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- Further details of specific phenotypes in the Project Harms section of the Non-Technical Summary.



- Further details regarding the enhanced monitoring system mentioned in the Refinement section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- The inclusion of any additional clinical signs in step 3 of Protocol 5.
- Amendment of specific wording in step 6 of Protocol 6.
- Further clarification regarding the maximum number of administrations and substances in step 6 of Protocol 6.
- Further clarification regarding specific procedures planned in step 6 of Protocol 7 and step 4 of Protocol 13.
- The inclusion of specific wording in step 6 of Protocol 7.
- The inclusion of additional refinements in step 6 of Protocol 7 and the Refinements section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- Further justification for specific routes of administration in the Protocol Justification section of Protocol 7 and Protocol 13.
- Consideration given to carrying out specific studies in the Protocol Justification section of Protocol 13.

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

c) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Expansion of the additional outputs that will result from this amendment in the Benefits section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- Amendment of specific wording in the Protocol Justification of the Protocol 7.

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

2. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes from the previous meeting were not available.

3. Retrospective Reviews [RR]

a) [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Further review of the figures on the table in Section 2.1.
- Further details regarding specific animals on Protocol 6 in Section 2.2.
- Further specificity regarding the source of animals in Section 2.11.
- The inclusion of the local 3Rs enquiry list in Section 3.3.
- The removal of any techniques that were not used in Sections 3.4 and 3.5.
- Further information regarding any pending publications that could be included in Section 4.8.

b) [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Further details required for specific animals in Section 2.2 and further review of the table in Section 2.1 to ensure that it is accurate.



- Review of the issues listed in Section 2.3 so that they are organised by SC18 date and further detail on each incident and how they were managed.
- The inclusion of the number of specific animals mentioned in Section 2.8 in Section 2.7.
- Specific wording around the transportation in Section 2.10.
- The inclusion of references to not needing to singly house animals at specific establishments in Section 2.10.
- Further information on the RCA meeting that took place in Section 5.4.
- Further information regarding the original predicted animal numbers.

4. Any other business

None

5. Date of next meeting: 15/10/2025