Minutes

Date: Wednesday, 02/03/2022
Time: 9:00 AM
To: Committee Members
At: [Redacted]
Subject: AWERB 3Rs Committee

In Attendance:

Apologies:

Minutes - [Redacted]

1. Minutes
   The previous minutes were approved

2. Matters Arising
   None

3. Retrospective Reviews
   The committee discussed the following:
   - Investigating blood development
     The committee acknowledged the PPL was not used for diverse reasons. The committee advised a statement reflecting these various causes to be added in the section 4.4 of the retrospective review.

4. Amendment Application – Severe Severity
   - Addition of a joint bleeding protocol - Provision of an outsourced drug development platform for the treatment of bleeding disorders
     In the overall adverse effect section, the committee noted humane endpoints related to a number of bleeding. The committee advised this humane endpoint should be clarified when animals are undergoing the haemarthrosis step.

     It was acknowledged that pain is a clinical symptom associated with joint bleeding, but the justification related to the prevention of analgesic administration would benefit from stronger arguments.

     The committee advised that pilot studies should be conducted to assess the effect of analgesic on the experimental outcome.

     The committee advised that for studies, where pain is not a scientific endpoint, pain relief must be administered.
5. Severe Severity

6. Severe Severity licence reviews

7. Standard condition 18 reports
   10 new SC 18 reports submitted since last AWERB 3Rs meeting – nothing to highlight

8. 3Rs information/reports
   *NC3RS - International 3Rs prize – We welcome submissions of papers where the main purpose of the research was to achieve a 3Rs impact, as well as those where the 3Rs impacts were a secondary benefit. To apply or for more info visit: https://www.nc3rs.org.uk/international-3rs-prize
   *Update on “Developing an institutional 3Rs strategy” – initial meeting was held on 15th February, with , , , and . Discussions involved starting points, deciding on overall aims/objectives. to make use of the NC3Rs “3Rs Self-Assessment Tool for Research
   *Update on UBS Website – 3Rs search tool is now fully functioning after a few “tweaks” to fix some bugs in the system. On the UBS landing page, note there is now an image of NC3RS that will, when clicked on, take you directly to the UBS 3Rs page.

9. Highlights of AWERB Standing meeting*

10. Highlights of January AOC meeting*

11. Any Other Business
    IV Training Flowchart – highlighted it should be made clear that the process if flexible.
    informed the committee that the poster is guidance only and not the rules. The poster will now go to AWERB for final approval.

12. For information only

Date of next meeting:
Wednesday 6th April 2022 via Teams

*Items for information only unless un-starred by committee member