



Minutes

Date Wednesday, 05/06/2019

Time 08.30am

To Committee Members

At [REDACTED]

Subject AWERB 3Rs Committee

In Attendance:

[REDACTED]

Apologies:

[REDACTED]

1. Minutes

The minutes were approved.

2. Matters Arising

None

3. Retrospective Reviews

(a) None

4. Retrospective Assessments

(a) None

5. Project Licence Applications

(a) [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Further justification required in regards to sex preferences in the Refinement and Reduction sections.
- The recommendation that the Protocol adverse effects are tailored to the animal model so that monitoring, intervention and humane end points are more specific.
- Further justification required in regards to the acclimation period before specific procedures planned.

(b) [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Severity bands and whether these are appropriate now that Protocol 3 has been revised.

(c) [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- References to the ARRIVE guidelines that need re-wording.



- Further description and explanation required in regards to statistical analysis.
- Further clarity required in regards to Protocol 7.
- Further explanation required in regards to clinical signs expected in the adverse effects sections.

(d) [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- The recommendation that specific text in the Refinement section be moved to the Reduction section where it is more appropriate.
- Further editing of the adverse effects sections so they are easier to read and the recommendation that the applicant seeks the advice of their PPL writing support group to do this.

6. Severe Severity Licence Reviews

None.

7. 3Rs information/reports

[REDACTED] discussed the recent release of the NC3Rs Tech 3Rs magazine which is available to all technicians. [REDACTED] NACWO [REDACTED] is highlighted in this as a 3Rs Champion. [REDACTED] is currently working on a poster for the NC3Rs symposium taking place in September.

8. Feedback from previous Retrospective Reviews*

9. Minutes of NPC meeting*

10. Minutes of AWERB Standing meeting*

11. Any Other Business

[REDACTED] asked the committee if measures were in place for the breeding colony once the [REDACTED] ceases using specific animals in five years' time and [REDACTED] confirmed that they were.

[REDACTED] informed the committee of the re-release of Russel and Burch's 'The Principles of Humane Experimental Technique' in recognition of its 60 year anniversary.

[REDACTED] also informed the committee that FELASA have just released revised recommendations for health monitoring of non-human primate colonies (2018).

[REDACTED] highlighted the use of digital caging in regards to non-human primates. This could be a potential refinement and was worth exploring. She suggested it was taken to the next AWERB NPC committee meeting. In the interim she will discuss this with [REDACTED].

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 3rd July 2019

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