

Minutes

Date Wednesday, 06/12/2023

Time 9:00 AM

To Committee Members

At Virtual via MS Teams

Subject AWERB 3Rs Committee

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AWERB 3Rs Committee : [REDACTED]

In Attendance: [REDACTED]

Observing: [REDACTED]

Minutes – [REDACTED]

Apologies: [REDACTED]

1. Minutes

1st November 2023 – Previous minutes approved by the committee.

2. Matters arising

None.

3. Retrospective Reviews

[REDACTED] - Understanding the mechanisms of learning and attention during sensory-guided behaviour

- The committee commended the thorough completion of this retrospective review.
- Section 3.7: The committee asked if the monitoring information about detailed here could be made available for other users.

4. Retrospective Assessment

None

5. Project Licence Applications – New / Amendments

██████ – Sensory processing, learning and cognition in adaptive and maladaptive behaviors.

- Protocol 3: Further information is needed regarding what an animal will experience on this protocol.
- Further information required in project harms section particularly for procedures included in protocol 3.
- Review the maximum limits documented for one of the protocol steps.
- Further information required in the adverse effects sections
- Further justification required for one of the procedures listed
- Further information required on how decisions on how many procedures an animal will undergo is made

██████ – Control of equine herpesvirus in the horse.

- Review of the number of animals listed is needed.
- Review of how animals move between protocols is required, including decision making process to allow this.
- Further clarity required in one of the adverse effects sections.
- The committee asked for increased monitoring to be included for one of the procedures.

6. Standard Condition 18 Reports

Microchipping report – noted by committee

7. 3Rs information/reports

- NIO Report – ██████ gave an update on the information within the document. A request was made for a breakdown of SC18 reports by species.
- Dosage volumes for blood sampling in mice (poster)
The committee felt this was a very useful poster.
 - Ensure clarity of amounts of blood that can be sampled in different time periods.
 - Ensure licence authority is checked prior to sampling. Asked for a note about bearing in mind blood wastage be added
 - The committee asked if an equivalent poster be made for administration to show the maximum of amount of injections that can be given within a set amount of time
- Papers of interest – noted by committee

8. Minutes of the AOC meeting (22/09/23)

Noted by committee

9. Minutes of the AWERB Standing meeting (29/09/2023 & 25/10/2023)

Noted by committee



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10. Any Other Business

It was decided that the January meeting would be held on MS Teams, and the February meeting would be in person.

Date of next meeting: 3rd January 2024 via MS Teams