



Minutes

Date Wednesday, 08/01/2020

Time 08.30am

To Committee Members

At Meeting Room, 1st Floor, [REDACTED]

Subject AWERB 3Rs Committee

In Attendance: [REDACTED]

Apologies: [REDACTED]

1. Minutes

The minutes were approved.

2. Matters Arising

None

3. Retrospective Reviews

(a) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] abbreviations should be defined

- More detail could be provided in Section 2.5 regarding the behavioural testing of 21 animals
- The committee would like to know how the adverse effects have been managed when importing animals from overseas
- Section 3.2 should be expanded. It was suggested that an estimate of the reduction in the numbers of animals used is included
- The committee have requested to know if any tissue has been shared with any external research groups and how many post mortems have taken place
- It was suggested that Section 3.6 is re-written due to the document being subject to Freedom of Information requests. Referring to the work in Australia, a statement should be included to clarify that the University policy for overseas animal work has been adhered to
- The publication in Section 3.7 should also be reported in Section 4.8
- The committee asked for a list of all animals currently being used in experiments to be provided
- The committee requested to see the Retrospective Review once the changes have been made

(b) [REDACTED]

- In Section 2.1 the numbers are incorrect and should be replaced with the actual number
- The committee asked for the proportion of genetically modified animals issued from the breeding protocol, used in experimental protocols to be added
- The 2008 publication should be removed from this Retrospective Review



- The committee suggested adding an example of how sample size calculations have been used under Section 3.1
- Dr Osborne was commended on a well written Retrospective Review

4. Retrospective Assessments

None

5. Project Licence Applications

(a) [REDACTED] – amendment

- The committee suggested seeing the current Return of Procedures for the relevant protocols to provide context for the change in animal numbers
- Due to the large increase in estimated numbers, the committee asked for more justification to be provided

6. Severe Severity licence reviews

None

7. Standard Condition 18 reports

None

8. 3Rs information/reports

None

9. Feedback from previous Retrospective Reviews*

10. Minutes of AOC meeting*

11. Minutes of AWERB Standing meeting*

12. Any Other Business

None

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 5th February 2020

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