



Minutes

Date Wednesday, 29/05/2024

Time 1pm

To Standing Committee

At Virtual, MS Teams

Subject AWERB Standing Committee

Our Ref Doc.UBS.AWERB.29.05.24

In attendance: [REDACTED]

Scientists in attendance for 1a) N/A, 1b) N/A, 1c) N/A, 1d) N/A, 1e) N/A

Apologies: [REDACTED]

Minutes: [REDACTED]

1. Project Licences

(a) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Further information in regards to the new estimated number of animals requested in the Reduction section.
- Specific words require defining in the Refinement section.
- Step 2 of Protocol 6 needs to remain mandatory but the inclusion of references to specific animals is also required.
- Consideration given to referencing the use of pilot studies in regards to step 2 of Protocol 6.
- Further review of the weight loss listed in regards to step 6 of Protocol 6.
- Simplification of the text required in regards to step 6 of Protocol 6.
- Further detail required in regards to what is expected after the 96 hours recovery time in step 2 of Protocol 6.

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

(b) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Several typographical errors require amending.
- Further checking of the second highlighted sentence in the Benefits section.

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

(c) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Detail provided in the lay summary need to be included in the Project Harms sections from point 5 onwards.



- The inclusion of further information in regards to the humane endpoints in step 12 of Protocol 3.
- Further specificity required in regards to the humane endpoints in all relevant protocols.
- Further expansion and definition required in regards to healing in the relevant protocols.
- The committee recommend the researcher speak to the NVS and NACWO in regards to specific adverse effects in the relevant protocols.
- Further information required in regards to dosing in Protocol 7.

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

(d) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Further consideration given to the estimated animal numbers listed in the Reduction section.
- The inclusion of references to observations in regards to step 1 of Protocol 1.
- The inclusion of the maximum number of occasion's animals will undergo specific procedures in the Animal Experience section of Protocol 2.

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

(e) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- The committee reviewed the amendment and had no recommendations that needed to be addressed.

The committee agreed a draft could be submitted to the Home Office.

2. Retrospective Reviews

(a) [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- The committee requested the researcher take into consideration animal usage when drafting a new application.
- Corrections required in Section 2.5.
- Questions require completing in Section 3.
- Typographical errors require amending in Section 3.1.

(b) [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- The committee requested that communication with the facility NACWO and NVS be sought in regards to possible refinements to specific practises.

3. Minutes of last meeting 24/04/24

The minutes were approved.

4. Minutes of the AWERB Sub-Standing committee 13/03/24 & 10/04/24



The minutes from both meetings were noted.

5. Minutes from the AWERB Non-Regulated Procedure Request Committee 07/03/24, 21/03/24 & 16/04/24

The minutes from the meetings were noted.

6. Minutes of the AWERB 3Rs Committee 06/03/24

The minutes were noted.

7. Minutes of the AWERB Operations Committee 23/02/24 & 22/03/24

The minutes from both meetings were noted.

8. Matters arising from the minutes and AOB

[REDACTED] presented the [REDACTED] to the AWERB committee. A date will be arranged for the committee to visit [REDACTED]

9. List items of note

None

Date of next meeting: 26/06/2024