



Minutes

Date Wednesday, 31/07/2019

Time 1pm

To Standing Committee

At [REDACTED]

Subject AWERB Standing Committee

Our Ref Doc.UBS.AWERB.31.07.19

In attendance: [REDACTED]

Scientists in attendance for 1a) [REDACTED] and 1b) [REDACTED]

Apologies:

1. Project Licences

(a) New licence: [REDACTED] was also in attendance)

The committee discussed the following:

- Information was advised to be added to the application as the committee felt it would be beneficial
- Further information suggested in Part C: Benefits section regarding making GA mice and why those that have already been made cannot be used
- An example of a typical time line for work under this licence was suggested
- Clarification on injecting antigens in Freund's Complete Adjuvant (FCA)
- Rewording required in Appendix 2 to fall in line with Part D: Project Plan: page 14
- Clarification needed regarding the use of FCA and the data it produces
- Revision of the severity classification for protocol 6.
- Rewording needed in protocol 6: step 2, regarding reference to the table
- Rephrasing required of the last sentence in paragraph one of the non-technical summary

The committee recommended changes were made before a draft was submitted to the Home Office.

(b) New Licence: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- A change in alternative contact person was advised
- Further information suggested in Part D: Project Plan regarding how animals are introduced in to a VR environment
- Further information was advised about the types of head posts used and how these are attached
- Suggested rewording to "food restriction"
- Further details needed regarding animals' food deprivation
- An example of a typical of experiment for protocol 3 was requested
- Revision of the use of antibiotics
- Single housing for an experimental purpose should be stated as a regulated procedure in protocol 3
- Clarification needed on how many procedures an animal may undergo
- The voltage of stimulation used to be clarified in Step 6



- Further thought needed into the location of imaging animals
- Rewording of optional and mandated steps suggested
- Alteration requested to adverse effects section to provide clear end points which do not require reliance on the NVS
- Further information should be included to help the public understand what hippocampus is and how the VR environment is used

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2. Retrospective Reviews

(a) None.

3. Minutes of last meeting 26/06/19

The minutes were approved.

4. Minutes of the AWERB Sub-Standing Committee 12/07/19

The minutes were noted.

5. Minutes of the AWERB 3Rs Committee 03/07/19

The minutes were noted.

6. Minutes arising of the AWERB Named Persons Committee 19/07/19

The minutes were not available.

7. Matters arising from the minutes and AOB

████ informed the committee that the █████ are holding a 3Rs workshop and suggested █████ to arrange attendance.

████ are holding Non-Technical Summary workshop on 3rd October. █████ will circulate information to new drafting project licence holders.

8. List items of note

Date of next meeting: 28/08/19