



Minutes

Date Wednesday, 12/03/2025

Time 10:00 AM

To Sub-Standing Committee

At Virtual, MS Teams

Subject AWERB Standing Committee

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Present: [REDACTED]

Scientists in attendance for 1a) [REDACTED], **1b)** [REDACTED], **1c)** N/A, **1d)** N/A & **1e)** N/A

Apologies: [REDACTED]

Minutes: [REDACTED]

1. Project Licences

a) New: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- The inclusion that datasets will go to open source to prevent repetition in the Benefits section.
- Further explanation regarding specific references as well as the inclusion of some examples for scenarios listed in the Project Harms section.
- The inclusion of specific information that was included in the researcher's presentation in the Replacement section.
- Specific details from the researcher's presentation as well as discussions that took place during the meeting should be included in the Refinement section.
- Further information regarding specific procedures planned in the Refinement section.
- The inclusion of specific wording regarding steps in Protocols 2-5.
- The inclusion of specific information regarding the administration of substances in Protocols 2-5.
- The inclusion of any training sessions that will need to take place as well as the inclusion of specific wording regarding the handling of animals in Protocols 2-5.
- Further specificity required regarding procedures planned in step 6 of Protocol 2.
- Amendment of specific scenarios listed in Protocols 2-5.
- The inclusion of the anaesthetic code in step 4 of Protocol 2.
- Further clarity and re-wording required in step 5 of Protocol 2.
- The inclusion of adequate monitoring and humane endpoints if required in step 6 of Protocol 2.
- Amendment of typographical errors in step 6 of Protocol 2.
- The inclusion of an earlier timepoint regarding humane endpoints in step 6 of Protocol 2.
- The removal of specific references in step 3 of Protocol 2 and step 8 of Protocol 4.
- The inclusion of further information in the Animal experience section of Protocol 3.
- The inclusion of the purposes for the administration of substances in step 5 of Protocol 4.



- Further clarity required regarding the course of disease progression in Protocols 4 and 5.
- The committee agreed changes were needed before a draft is submitted to the Home Office.

b) New: [REDACTED] ([REDACTED] was also in attendance)

The committee discussed the following:

- The committee commended the well written Non-Technical Summary.
- The committee requested that the researcher make use of the copy step function in ASPeL so there is consistency with steps that are repeated across protocols.
- Surety required that the monitoring listed is achievable and if not re-wording required across multiple protocols.
- Consideration given to the exact stages supportive interventions are given and subsequent humane endpoints listed to ensure they do not conflict with the study's purpose.
- Further consideration given to specific humane endpoints listed in step 3 of Protocol 6 and other protocols and steps where appropriate.
- The amendment of specific wording in step 8 of Protocol 6.
- Amendment of specific adverse effects in step 8 of Protocol 6 to ensure they are appropriate.
- The removal of any adverse effects that the researcher does not expect to see in Protocols 5, 6, 8 and 9.
- Consideration given to separating step 1 of Protocol 8.
- The inclusion of scenarios regarding specific procedures planned and the removal of specific wording in step 5 of Protocol 8.

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

c) Amendment: [REDACTED] ([REDACTED] was also in attendance)

The committee discussed the following:

- The committee reviewed the amendment and had no recommendations to make ahead of submission to the Home Office.

d) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- The inclusion of specific wording in the Refinement section.

The committee agreed a minor change was 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 to make ahead of submission to the Home Office.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes were not available.



3. Retrospective Reviews [RR]

None

4. Any other business

5. Date of next meeting: 16/04/2025