Minutes

Date  Friday, 03/09/2021
Time  9.30am
To   Standing Committee
At   Virtual, MS Teams
Subject  AWERB Sub-Standing Committee
Our Ref  Doc.UBS.AWERB.03.09.21

In attendance: Minutes

Scientists in attendance: Core

Apologies:

1. Project Licences

(a) Amendment: The committee discussed the following:

- Further clarification in Protocol 13, Step 11.b. of what is needed for the experiment. If required both at the same time, to include and/or into this section.
- Review comments in Adverse Effects and Humane Endpoints. It was suggested replacing the word ‘protocol’
- The Non-Technical Summary requires expanding in the section ‘adequate techniques to monitor animal welfare’.

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

(b) Amendment: The committee discussed the following:

- Additional wording required to explain time from administration of substances to the end of the experiment. Further information to be included in the Refinement section of the Non-Technical Summary and Reduction section if appropriate.

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

(c) Amendment: The committee discussed the following:

- Clarification required if the outcome of this research will be directly translational to the human condition. If this is the case it needs to be added to the application.
- Query raised regarding anaesthetic codes.
If the proposed amendments are considered as a refinement these need including in the Non-Technical Summary.

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

(d) Amendment: [redacted]

The committee discussed the following:

- Explanation required for specific procedures planned in Protocol 3. Step 1. ‘Describe the procedures that will be carried out during this step’.
- Further clarification of housing requirements should be included if needed. Step 4. ‘Describe the procedures that will be carried out during this step’ further consideration needed regarding requirements for the experiment after recent training. Consideration to be given to any reduction or refinement.
- Step 4. ‘How will you monitor for, control, and limit any of these adverse effects’ further explanation required regarding administration of substances.
- Updates needed in the Refinement section of the Non-Technical Summary.

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

2. Retrospective Reviews
None

3. AWERB minutes
No minutes were discussed.

4. Matters arising from the minutes and AOB
None

5. List items of note
None
Date of next meeting: 07/09/2021