



Minutes

Date Wednesday, 08/03/2023

Time 10:00 AM

To Sub-Standing Committee

At [REDACTED]

Subject AWERB Standing Committee

Our Ref Doc.UBS.AWERB.08.03.23

Present: [REDACTED]

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

Apologies:

Minutes: [REDACTED]

1. Project Licences

a) Amendment: [REDACTED] were also in attendance)

The committee discussed the following:

- Removal of specific scientific wording in the Non-Technical Summary.
- Typographical errors require amending.
- The inclusion of specific adverse effects in the 'What are the expected impacts and/or adverse effects for the animals during your project?' section.
- The removal of references to the HO minimum standards for Aseptic surgery.
- Further information in regards to funding.
- Review of general humane endpoints listed to ensure they are acceptable for a mild protocol in regards to Protocol 5.
- The inclusion of further general humane endpoints in protocols 6, 7, 8 &9.
- Revision of specific references in step 4 of Protocol 10.
- The inclusion of AB for the topical administration of substances in step 4 of Protocol 10.
- The suggestion that bandage is changed to dressing in regards to step 4 of Protocol 10.
- The inclusion of specific humane endpoints in step 4 of Protocol 10.

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

b) Amendment: [REDACTED] were also in attendance)

The committee discussed the following:

- The inclusion of the potential impacts on the animal when feeding them a high fat diet in the Project Harms sections.



- The inclusion of specific adverse effects in regards to step 5 of Protocol 7.
- Further information included in regards to limiting the impact of adverse effects in step 5 of Protocol 7.
- The inclusion of humane end points and time frames for responding to treatment in step 5 of Protocol 7.
- Further information in regards to weight gain in Protocol 7.
- Review of specific steps required to ensure the researcher has the authority to do specific procedures in the Animal Experience section.
- Review of the endpoints listed so they are not duplicates in the Animal Experience section.
- Review of humane endpoints required to ensure they are consistent.

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

c) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Further detail in regards to the new weight limit in the Project Harms section.
- The inclusion of specific agents in the adverse effects in step 1 of Protocol 8.
- Review required of the endpoints listed in Protocol 8 to ensure they do not contradict each other.
- Further updating required with the new proposed severity in the Protocol Justification section of Protocol 8.

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

d) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- The inclusion of the explanation given at AWERB in the Non-Technical Summary.
- The suggestion that if no work is planned to be carried out at the University of Cambridge for the near future the researcher removes it as an additional establishment at this time.
- The inclusion of specific optional steps in all the protocols where they may be required.
- The inclusion of a humane endpoint for specific adverse effects in step 2 of Protocol 5.

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

e) Amendment: [REDACTED] (did not need to attend)

The committee discussed the following:

- The inclusion of a summary and scientific justification for the amendment at the end of the Project Plan.
- Further updating required of the new proposed animal numbers in the Non-Technical Summary.

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

2. Minutes of the last meeting 08/02/23

The minutes were approved

3. Retrospective Reviews [RR]



- a) [REDACTED]
The committee discussed the following:
- Further detail required in Section 3.7.
- b) [REDACTED]
The committee discussed the following:
- Anonymisation required in Section 3.3.
 - The committee noted and commended the amount of public engagement listed within Section 4.9.

4. Any other business

The committee noted that PPLs: [REDACTED] held by [REDACTED] have been submitted to the Home Office for additional availability at the [REDACTED]

5. Date of next meeting: 12/04/23