



Minutes

Date Wednesday, 08/11/2023

Time 10:00 AM

To Sub-Standing Committee

At Virtual, MS Teams

Subject AWERB Standing Committee

Our Ref Doc.UBS.AWERB.08.11.23

Present:

[REDACTED] providing written feedback)

Scientists in attendance for 1a) N/A & 1b) N/A

Apologies:

Minutes:

1. Project Licences

a) Amendment:

The committee discussed the following:

- Further explanation required for specific scientific words in the Non-Technical Summary.
- Specific references could be made more general throughout the licence.
- The removal of one key word from the Aims section.
- The removal of references to Protocol 6 in the Refinement section.
- The inclusion of refinements planned in the Refinement section.
- Further updating of the Scientific Background section of the Project Plan to include information around the new proposed protocol.
- Further review of Protocol 6 required to ensure all sections have the correct severity.
- Further review of the endpoints listed in the Animal Experience section of Protocol 6 to ensure there is no duplication.
- The inclusion of both species in the Protocol Justification section.
- Further review of the responses given in the Protocol Justification section to ensure they are consistent with the adverse effects listed.
- Further detail required in regards to Protocol 2.
- Further information required in the form of a table in the Protocol Justification section.

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

b) Amendment:

[REDACTED] was also in attendance)

The committee discussed the following:

- Further consideration given to whether any details can be added to the Benefits section.
- Further updating of the Refinements section to include the refinements being proposed.



- The committee support the proposal to adopt the wording currently applied for in Protocol 6 into Protocols 7, 8 and 9.

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

2. Minutes of the last meeting 11/10/23

The minutes were approved.

3. Retrospective Reviews [RR]

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The committee discussed the following:

- Further amending required in Section 1.
- Further detail required in regards to Protocol 5 in the table in Section 2.2.
- Further information in regards to the lower number of animals used in Section 2.2.
- Further information in regards to whether the Covid pandemic had any impact on the work in Section 2.5.
- Further review of specific statements in Section 2.5 in regards to Protocols 16-18.
- Further information in regards to animals wasted in Section 2.7.
- Explanation for specific terms required in Section 2.8.
- Protocols 8-18 should be listed separately in Section 2.12.
- Further detail in regards to the scoring sheets used in Section 3.8.
- Further information included in Section 5.

4. Any other business

Non-Regulated Procedure request: ██████████ – This Non-Regulated Procedure request was reviewed by the committee and they had no comments that needed to be addressed. The committee agreed this request would receive ethical approval.

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5. Date of next meeting: 13/12/2023