



Minutes

Date Wednesday, 11/01/2023

Time 10:00 AM

To Sub-Standing Committee

At [REDACTED]

Subject AWERB Standing Committee

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Present: [REDACTED]

Scientists in attendance for 1a) core & 1b) core

Apologies: N/A

Minutes: [REDACTED]

1. Project Licences

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

The committee discussed the following:

- Further information around what the impact will be on the animals in regards to specific procedures in the Animal Experience section of Protocol 4.
- The inclusion of humane end points in the Animal Experience section of Protocol 5.
- Further information required in the Refinement section.

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

b) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Consideration given as to whether there are any special husbandry requirements that could be included to improve the experience of specific strains of animal in the Refinement section.
- The separation of species in Protocol 5 when making this amendment in ASPeL.
- The removal of specific references from Step 8 of Protocol 5 if they are not required.

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

2. Minutes of the last meeting 14/12/22

These minutes were approved.

3. Retrospective Reviews [RR]

(a) [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:



- The inclusion of Protocols 6 and 9 in the table in Section 2.1 or clarification as to why they are not there.
- Amendment of the source of specific animals in Section 2.11.
- Further information around the change from in vivo work to other methods as well as further clarification around the specified reduction of animals in Section 3.1.
- Further explanation in regards to the modification of the end points in Section 3.9.

(b) [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Further clarification in regards to the numbers at the bottom of the table in Section 2.2.
- The recommendation that specific papers published are highlighted in bold font in Section 4.8
- The recommendation that the researcher checks the figures listed in the Standard Condition 18 forms to ensure they correlate.
- Review and amendment of dates listed for specific incidents in Section 5.3.
- The inclusion of a short summary detailing whether the actions listed in Section 5.4 were achieved and the benefits.

4. Any other business

Non-Regulated Procedure request: [REDACTED] – The committee reviewed the Non-Regulated Procedure request and had no comments for the researcher to address however, they asked that the request be re-submitted on the latest version of the form for repeat requests.

Non-Regulated Procedure request: [REDACTED] – The committee reviewed the Non-Regulated Procedure request and asked if the researcher could submit a new application rather than sending the original approved document. The committee asked for the researcher to specify the gestation that will be used to ensure it is before they become protected animals and for the inclusion of the common word alongside the species listed. The committee agreed these changes were needed before they could sign this request off.

5. Date of next meeting: 08/02/23