



Minutes

Date Wednesday, 13/11/2024

Time 10:00 AM

To Sub-Standing Committee

At Virtual, MS Teams

Subject AWERB Standing Committee

Our Ref Doc.UBS.AWERB13.11.24

Present: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] provided written feedback)

Scientists in attendance for 1a) core, 1b) core, 1c) core & 1d) core

Apologies: [REDACTED]

Minutes: [REDACTED]

1. Project Licences

a) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- The removal of specific references in the Refinement section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- The inclusion of specific wording in the Refinement section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- Further explanation regarding specific procedures planned in step 4 of Protocol 5 and other protocols where this applies.
- Further clarification regarding the dosing required for specific procedures planned in step 4 of Protocol 5 and that this still aligns with the information listed in the Protocol Justification section.
- Amendment of specific wording in step 7 of Protocol 7 and step 7 of other protocols where this applies.

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

b) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Amendment of the final sentence in the Project Harms section.
- The inclusion of information regarding the ex-vivo work in the Replacement section.
- Further review of the final paragraph and the removal of references to power calculations and technical terminology in the Reduction section.
- Further information regarding the measures that will be taken to minimise the effect of specific adverse effects in the Refinement section.
- The inclusion of specific humane endpoints in step 1 of Protocol 9.
- Amendment of specific wording in step 1 of Protocol 9.

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



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

The committee discussed the following:

- Further description that was discussed during the applicant's presentation, included in the Project Harms section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- The information included in the applicant's presentation, included in the Refinement section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- Further information regarding specific procedures planned in the Animal Experience section of Protocol 7 and 8.
- Further explanation regarding pilot studies in the Experimental design section of Protocol 11.

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

d) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- The inclusion of additional detail or specific examples regarding step 2 of Protocol 6 and other protocols where relevant.
- Confirmation required regarding specific procedures planned in step 2 of Protocol 6.
- The inclusion of the frequency of monitoring for animals on step 2 of Protocol 6.
- Further justification and explanation required regarding specific procedures planned in Protocols 10, 11 and 12.
- Typographical and grammatical errors require amending in Protocol 11.

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

2. Minutes of the last meeting 09/10/24

The committee approved the minutes.

3. Retrospective Reviews [RR]

a) [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- The inclusion of specific animals in protocols 3, 5 and 6 in Section 2.2.
- Completion of Section 2.3.
- Standard Condition 18's required in Section 2.4 for the information given in Section 5.2.
- The removal of specific comments in Section 2.7.
- The committees commended the level of detail given in Section 3.
- Further checking of specific comments in Section 3.2.
- Further checking of specific sentences in Section 3.8.
- Further checking of the answers listed in Section 3.9.
- Further detail regarding the timeframe for breeding in Section 4.4.
- Further expansion in the Scientific publications section of Section 4.8.
- Further details regarding the RCAs listed in Section 5.3.

b) [REDACTED]



The committee discussed the following:

- The inclusion of references to establishing the new lab in Section 3.2.
- Further information required in Section 3.8.
- The committees commended the thorough completion of the Retrospective Review.

4. Any other business

Overseas Research Request: [REDACTED] – The committee reviewed the Overseas Research request and had no comments for the researcher to address. The committee agreed this request would receive ethical approval.

5. Date of next meeting: 11/12/2024