



Minutes

Date Friday, 16/04/2021

Time 10:00 AM

To Sub-Standing Committee

At Meeting Room, UBS

Subject AWERB Sub-Standing Committee (extra)

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Present: [REDACTED]

Scientists in attendance for 1a) N/A

Apologies:

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1. Project Licences

a) Amendment: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- The removal of additional wording from the Project Plan.
- Further clarity around the age of animals and further information around adverse effects in regards to specific procedures.
- Rewording required in regards to severity limits of protocols in the Project Plan.
- Further justification needed in regards to why the changes to the licence are needed now and not previously.
- Further emphasis on the researchers experience with this work needed and further explanation that due to the previous work undertaken the animals regain weight without clinical signs beings seen.
- Further monitoring techniques added to the Refinement section and the Non-Technical Summary.
- The recommendation that the researcher takes the weight loss from the highest weight of the animal (weighed before each treatment) rather than just pre-treatment weight.
- Further clarity required in regards to the age of animals and specific procedures. Specific adverse effects should also be included.
- Further explanation around monitoring each age group and further clarity around what the decision points are.
- Further information around the frequency animals will be weighed.
- Further editing of the information around weight loss and monitoring to reflect that monitoring closely starts at a much earlier time point.
- The addition of specific wording in regards to end points and weight loss.
- Further clarity around the fate of animals that did not gain all the weight loss back in 48 hours and whether this needed to be added to Protocol 11 as well.



The committee agreed changes were needed before a draft is submitted to the Home Office and requested a summary of the work be sent back to AWERB in 3 months' time. The report should include how the work has been going and if the adverse effects and end points are working well.

2. Minutes of the last meeting N/A

3. Minutes of AWERB Standing Committee meeting N/A

4. Retrospective Reviews [RR]

None

5. Any other business

6. Date of next meeting: 07/05/21