

Minutes

Date	Wednesday, 31/08/2022
Time	1pm
То	Standing Committee
At	
Subject	AWERB Standing Committee

Our Ref Doc.UBS.AWERB.31.08.22

In attendance:

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

Apologies:		
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1. Project Licences

(a) Amendment:

The committee discussed the following:

- Consideration given to how many company achievements will overlap with the researchers own in the Experience section.
- The inclusion of specific facilities in the Resources section.

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

(b) Amendment:

The committee discussed the following:

- Further justification and a clearer explanation of how the dosing table across various protocols will be used.
- The inclusion of a reference stating that animals will be checked by an NVS in regards to specific dosing regimens.
- The removal of references to rats if they are not used in regards to the Protocol justification section of Protocol 2.
- The removal of the dosing table from Protocol 4.

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

(c) New Licence:

The committee discussed the following:

- Returned comments on the PST form also need including in the application.
- Further detail included in the Action Plan considering a flow diagram.
- Further information around what the animals will experience in the Animal Experience sections of various protocols.
- Further detail around clinical signs in regards to specific references made.
- Further justification in regards to the 20% weight loss required in the moderate severity protocols.



- The inclusion of specific references if they are required in step 1 of Protocol 2.
- The inclusion of references to the movement of animals from Protocol 2 in the continued use section in Protocols 5, 8 and 9.
- The amendment of the anaesthetic code in Protocol 6.
- The expansion of specific abbreviations in Protocol 6.
- The removal of specific references in Protocol 8.
- Further information needed as to why specific procedures are tied together or if they are not related consideration given to splitting them into two separate steps, in regards to step 3 of Protocol 8.
- The inclusion of adverse effects in regards to specific procedures if there is potential for them to occur in step 2 of Protocol 9.

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

(d) Amendment:

The committee discussed the following:

- The splitting of step 5 of Protocol 6.
- The inclusion of a maximum on the number of sites that can potentially be used if this detail has been obtained from the pilot work already carried out in Protocol 6.

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

2. Retrospective Reviews

(a)

The committee discussed the following:

- The inclusion of refinements made in the husbandry and care of mice which were presented at the Section 4.9.
- The committee commended the thorough completion of the Retrospective Review.

3. Minutes of last meeting 27/07/22 & 29/06/22

The minutes were approved.

4. Minutes of the AWERB sub-standing committee 13/07/22

The minutes were noted.

5. Minutes of the AWERB 3Rs Committee 06/07/22

The minutes were noted.

6. Matters arising from the minutes and AOB



Bird Use Report: This was noted by the committee.

8. List items of note

Date of next meeting: 30/09/22