



Luxembourg, 31 January 2023

**Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety (SCCS)  
Meeting of the Working Group on Cosmetic Ingredients in Cosmetic  
Products**

30-31 January 2023, Luxembourg

**Minutes**

**1. Welcome and apologies, approval of the agenda and declaration of interests**

The Chair welcomed the participants. The meeting was organised via AUDIO. Two apologies were received for both days and two apologies were received for half a day. The agenda was adopted without changes.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 19-20 December 2022 have been agreed by the members of the WG and published on the website:

[SCCS - Minutes - working groups 2022 - 2026 \(europa.eu\)](https://ec.europa.eu/sccs/minutes-working-groups-2022-2026)

The Chair invited participants to declare any interest regarding matters on the agenda. None of the participants declared any interest conflicting with the matters on the agenda.

**2. List of points discussed**

**2.1 New mandates or information from DG GROW**

- Hexylsalicylate: CMR2 exemption → the official mandate for an opinion will be adopted by written procedure and published.
- Hair dye HC blue 18 (submission II - analytical file) → the official mandate for a scientific advice will be adopted by written procedure and published.
- Zn salts in oral products (submission II) → the official mandate will be adopted by written procedure on 2 February and published.

See [SCCS - Mandates \(europa.eu\)](https://ec.europa.eu/sccs/mandates)

- GROW call for data for salicylates: the SCCS will discuss with GROW the received data to decide the way forward and possible mandate.
- GROW informed about ongoing preparation for regulation for substances assessed by the SCCS and about future mandates.

## 2.2 Draft opinions discussed

The following preliminary documents have been discussed:

- Citral: some remaining concerns were presented and discussed. A request to Applicant is under preparation.
- Silver zinc zeolite: the revised draft preliminary Opinion was discussed. Additional tasks have been allocated to some members. A request to Applicant is under preparation.
- TiO<sub>2</sub> Scientific advice in oral and inhalation cosmetic products: SCCS is expecting today the first package of information requested to the Applicant. Tasks will be shared among members.
- Methylsalicylate: a clarification about products to be excluded from this scientific advice on children exposure will be requested to the Applicant.
- Methylparaben: further tasks have been allocated to members.
- Butylparaben: further tasks have been allocated to members.
- A165 Submission II - Hair dye ingredient hydroxypropyl p-phenylenediamine and its dihydrochloride salt. Genotoxicity testing information from the Applicant is expected by March 2023. ON HOLD.
- Benzyl salicylate: study information from the Applicant is expected by March 2023. ON HOLD.

## 2.3 Comments on opinions

- Salicylic acid: the preliminary Opinion was adopted by written procedure on 15 December and published for comment by 17 February 2023: [SCCS - Opinions \(europa.eu\)](https://ec.europa.eu/sccs/opinions) .
- The final opinions on arbutins and on aluminium will be adopted on 31 January & 1<sup>st</sup> February respectively and will be published: [SCCS - Opinions \(europa.eu\)](https://ec.europa.eu/sccs/opinions) . SCCS responses to comments will be sent to the relevant recipients.

- Hair dye C186: the SCCS responses to comments received have been discussed. They are planned to be finalised in the next WG meeting, together with the final text of the Opinion.

### **3. Information from Chairman/Members/Commission**

- Secretariat informed that SCCS Opinion on butylated hydroxytoluene (SCCS/1636/22) has been published in RTP Journal: [Publication in Scientific Journals \(europa.eu\)](https://european-council.europa.eu/media/en/press-room/pages/press-room-detail.aspx?lang=en&id=1636)
- Call for experts 2022: three external experts have been selected by the Secretariat in consultation with the SCCS chair and vice-chairs. They will be appointed by the Commission. Following administrative & logistical procedures, they will be joining the WG on cosmetic ingredients from April 2023 on. The Secretariat reminded the WG about the open [EU Database of Experts](#) in which any expert may apply anytime.
- The International Dialogue for the Evaluation of Allergens ([IDEA](#)) annual forum held on 29 November shared their annual review report.
- EFSA upcoming workshop on BenchMark Dose on 15-16 February 2023 – one SCCS member and one SCHEER member are planning to participate on behalf of their Scientific Committee.
- [ONTOX](#) Stakeholder Network meeting on 13-14 March 2023 – Vice-chair of the SCCS is planning to participate on behalf of the SCCS, together with a SCHEER member.
- Vice-chair is planning to participate in the next [PARERE](#) (JRC) meeting on 30-31 March 2023 in Ispra (IT), together with the SCHEER vice-chair.

### **4. Next WG meetings**

22-23 February, 17-18 April, 15-16 May, 20-21 June (to be confirmed) 2023

### **5. A.O.B.**

Plenary meetings will be hybrid meetings.

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