

Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety (SCCS) 16th Plenary meeting

24-25 June 2021, Luxembourg

Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies, approval of the minutes of the previous plenary meeting/new agenda and declaration of interests

The Chair welcomed all participants, in particular the SCHEER representative and DG GROW F2 colleague. The agenda was adopted. Two apologies were received the first day and one the second day.

The minutes of the previous plenary meeting were adopted by the SCCS via written process and published on the website:

https://ec.europa.eu/health/scientific_committees/consumer_safety/minutes_plenary_en

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 and conclusions

2.1 General information from GROW

• GROW informed about the coming adoption of Omnibus III (including TiO2 exemption) and Omnibus IV (including Zinc pyrithione ban)

2.2 New mandate(s)

- 1. The following mandates have been adopted and will be published on the website: https://ec.europa.eu/health/scientific_committees/consumer_safety/requests_en
- Opinion on Alpha and beta arbutins
- Scientific Advice on EDs Triclocarban & Triclosan

The rapporteurs selected by the SCCS will be appointed by the Commission.

2. The following mandate will be officially submitted after the plenary meeting and adopted by written procedure. It will be published on the website: https://ec.europa.eu/health/scientific_committees/consumer_safety/requests_en • Fullerenes (nano)

The rapporteur selected by the SCCS will be appointed by the Commission.

3. GROW informed about future mandates on soluble zinc salts, benzyl salicylate, butylparaben, silica (nano), silver (nano) and TiO2 (oral and inhalation exposure routes).

2.3. Draft opinions

Nanomaterials in cosmetic ingredients

- A progress report was provided on HAA-299 nano, which will be further discussed at the next July WG meeting.
- A literature search was done by the Secretariat via the Commission Library on Fullerenes and relevant articles have been selected by the SCCS. There will be no call for data.

Cosmetic Ingredients

- The following preliminary Opinion has been adopted and will be published: SCCS Opinions 2016 2021 | Public Health (europa.eu)
 - **Methyl salicylate** (methyl 2-hydroxybenzoate)
- A progress report was provided on:
- 1. Prostaglandin and analogues. The draft preliminary Opinion was presented and will be discussed at the next July WG meeting.
- 2. 4-Methylbenzylidene camphor (4-MBC). The draft preliminary Opinion was presented and will be discussed at the next July WG meeting.
- 3. Genistein. The draft preliminary Opinion was presented and will be discussed at the next July WG meeting.
- 4. Daidzein. The draft preliminary Opinion was presented and will be discussed at the next July WG meeting.
- 5. Butylated Hydroxytoluene (BHT). The draft preliminary Opinion was presented and will be discussed at the next July or September WG meeting.
- 6. Kojic acid. The draft preliminary Opinion was presented and will be discussed at the next July WG meeting.

Methodology

The Chair of the WG on methodology:

- Presented a feedback from the last WG on Methodology focusing on thyroid function, genotoxicity and carcinogenicity.
- Discussed how to find a uniform approach for compounds that have very low solubility (i.e. practically insoluble) and very low dermal/oral absorption. The issue concerns both nanomaterials as well as non-nano cosmetic ingredients and will be discussed in methodologies.

One member reported on a very interesting webinar on cosmetic ingredient / product assessments presenting some performance comparisons with the LLNA or human tests. The SCCS agreed that a general overview could be interesting for discussion during one of the next WG methodology meetings.

2.4 Comments on opinions

Nanomaterials in cosmetic ingredients

The following two final Opinions have been adopted and will be published: SCCS - Opinions 2016 - 2021 | Public Health (europa.eu)

- Gold (nano) Colloidal Gold (nano) [, Gold Thioethylamino Hyaluronic Acid (nano) and Acetyl heptapeptide-9, Colloidal gold (nano)
- Platinum (nano) Colloidal Platinum (nano) and Acetyl tetrapeptide-17 Colloidal Platinum (nano)

The SCCS response to comment received during the commenting period has been adopted and will be sent to respective recipient.

Cosmetic Ingredients

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Homosalate

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A progress report was provided on:

- **C054 hair dye**. The preliminary Opinion was adopted by written procedure on 7 May and published **for comments by 5 July 2021**. Some comments have already been received and the SCCS is preparing a response.

3. Information from Commission and member of the SCCS

The SCCS Chair gave the floor for an update on the state of play of the following issues:

From the Commission

- The list of mandates/opinions for both SCs has been circulated
- JRC informed that the public ALURES on statistics on the use of animals for scientific purposes has been launched. It can be accessed from DG ENV's web-site at: https://ec.europa.eu/environment/chemicals/lab_animals/alures_en.htm
 On the page, a short leaflet on ALURES as well as the link to a video can be found.
- Cosmetics Europe organised their annual event on 16 June via video/web. SCCS Vice-Chair presented changes made in the 11th revision of the SCCS Notes of Guidance (NoG) and the SCCS Secretariat presented the situation/future of the work of the SCs. GROW informed about the recently adopted chemical strategy and the impact on cosmetics.
- The SCCS discussed which final opinions could be published in scientific Journal.

From the Members

- The Chair provided a feedback on the Inter-Committee Coordination Group (ICCG) meeting held on 15 June 2021.
- One member shared the following useful link on EFSA International Workshop on Risk Assessment of Combined Exposure to Multiple Chemicals to be held on 18-20 October 2021:
 - Save the date EFSA International Workshop on Risk Assessment of Combined Exposure to Multiple Chemicals | European Food Safety Authority (europa.eu)
- The SCCS agreed to have a look again in the EU database for experts in order to check expertise available according to their needs.

4. Next working group meetings:

- WG Cosmetic ingredients: 15-16 July + 8-9 September
- WG Nanomaterials in cosmetics 12 July 2021
- WG Methodology: (to be confirmed)

Next plenary meetings:

- 26-27/10/2021
- 15-16/03/2022
- 21-22/06/2022

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