



Luxembourg, 10 January 2025

Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety (SCCS)

Meeting of the Working Group on Cosmetic Ingredients in Cosmetic Products

17-18 December 2024, Luxembourg

Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies, approval of the agenda and declaration of interest

The Chair welcomed the participants.

This was an audio meeting.

One apology for being absent was received for both days, three for one day, and one for half a day.

DG GROW was not participating.

The agenda was adopted without changes.

The minutes of the previous meeting have been agreed by the members of the WG and published on the website:

[SCCS - Minutes - working groups 2022 - 2026 \(europa.eu\)](#)

The Chair invited participants to declare any interest regarding matters on the agenda. None of the participants declared any new interest conflicting with the matters on the agenda. Any interest already reported in the annual declaration remains valid.

2. List of points discussed

2.1. Draft Opinions

The WG discussed preliminary opinions on:

- Melaleuca Alternifolia (Tea Tree) Leaf Oil – CMR exemption
- Diethylamino Hydroxybenzoyl Hexyl Benzoate
- Prostaglandins

Tasks were allocated among members and these preliminary texts will be further discussed in the next WG meeting.

The following preliminary opinions are planned to be adopted by written procedure and to be published in January 2025 for commenting period:

- Salicylic acid – children exposure
- Butylparaben – children exposure
- Scientific advice on Methyl Salicylate – children exposure

The following preliminary documents have been published and are under commenting period:

- [Scientific Advice on HC Red No. 18 \(Colipa No. B124\) \(CAS No. 1444596-49-9\) - Submission II](#)

SCCS/1673/24 - 6 December 2024

Deadline for comments: 13 January 2025

- [Ethylhexyl Methoxycinnamate \(EHMC\) \(CAS No. 5466-77-3/83834-59-7, EC No. 226-775-7/629-661-9\)](#)

SCCS/1671/24 - 25 October 2024

Deadline for comments: 17 January 2025

- [Benzophenone - 1 \(CAS No. 131-56-6, EC No. 205-029-4\)](#)

SCCS/1672/24 - 25 October 2024

Deadline for comments: 13 January 2025

Literature search: results received for Benzophenone 5 are under assessment. The results of the literature search for Butylated Hydroxyanisole (BHA) have been provided to the SCCS.

2.2. Final document

A **corrigendum** has been adopted by written procedure for **the final addendum (SCCS/1668/24)** to the opinion on Hexyl Salicylate (children exposure). It corrected Table 6 values for calculated relative daily exposure. The document will be replaced on the website.

2.3. Draft mandates from DG GROW

Mandates will be submitted officially to the SCCS early 2025 for:

- Thiomersal - Hg
- Cannabidiol - CBD

3. Information

- Vice-Chair reported on the successful SCCS Workshop held in Brussels on 10 December. About 60 participants (upon invitation) from EU and international scientific bodies, Commission services, academia, cosmetic industries and associations, as well as national authorities welcomed the proposal of the SCCS to

draft a scientific publication related to all presentations made, including a possible way forward for cosmetic ingredients' safety evaluation with no animal testing data.

- Secretariat reported on the 29 November Commission meeting on mapping data requirements as SCCS / SCHEER contributed.
- One member reported and shared the presentation made during the SCCS mission to an annual Congress on cosmetics.

4. A.O.B.

In November, an expert in exposure assessment has been selected in the EU Database by the Secretariat in consultation with the SCCS. This external expert has been appointed by Commission in December and is planning to join the SCCS meetings of the WG on cosmetic ingredients from January 2025. The [Database of Experts - European Commission](#) remains open and every interested expert can apply at any time.

5. Next meetings

WG Cosmetic ingredients:

- 21-22 January 2025
- 19-20 February 2025 – AUDIO only
- 26 (WG) and 27 March (plenary) 2025
- 29-30 April 2025 – AUDIO only
- 27-28 May 2025
- 25 (WG) and 26 June (plenary) 2025

WG Nanomaterials in cosmetics: AUDIO only

- 8 January 2025
- 11 February 2025
- 21 March 2025

WG Methodology: AUDIO only

- 12 February 2025 ->1/2 day: baby data report with relevant industry representatives
- 17 February 2025 -> NAMs and Omics (with a few external speakers and ECHA)

Plenary meetings:

- 27 March 2025
- 26 June 2025
