



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

19-20 December, Luxembourg

Minutes

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

The Chair welcomed the participants.

This was a hybrid meeting. One apology was received for each day and one for ½ day. DG GROW was excused.

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 interest conflicting with the matters on the agenda.

2. List of points discussed

2.1 New mandates or information from DG GROW

There was no new mandate adopted.

See: SCCS - Mandates (europa.eu)

The dossier for Salicylates was discussed previously with DG GROW and, following some clarifications received from the Applicant consortium, the SCCS agreed to shortly meet during their next WG meeting.

2.2 Draft Opinions discussed

The following dossiers have been discussed:

• Citral: the SCCS discussed the dossier and distributed new tasks among its members. The preliminary Opinion will be discussed in the next WG meeting.

- Acetylated vetiver oil: the SCCS distributed new tasks among its members. The preliminary Opinion will be discussed in the next WG meeting.
- Triphenylphosphate (TPP): the SCCS received a response to their request sent to the Applicant that will be considered during their next WG meeting.
- Benzophenone 1: the preliminary Opinion is ON HOLD due to a request for information sent to the Applicant.
- Benzophenone 4: the preliminary Opinion is published for comment until 16 February.
- Aluminium: the preliminary Opinion is published for comment until 16 February.
- TiO₂ scientific advice in oral and inhalation cosmetic products: the preliminary scientific advice is published for comment until 6 February 2024.
- Hexyl salicylate: the preliminary Opinion is published for comment until 12 January 2024
- Hair dye A165: the preliminary Opinion is published for comment until 8 January 2024

See SCCS - Opinions - European Commission (europa.eu))

2.3 Comments on Opinions

- Methylparaben: the final Opinion is published.
- Silver zinc zeolite: the final Opinion is published.

See: SCCS - Opinions - European Commission (europa.eu)

3. Information from Chairman/Members/Commission

• SCCS Chair presented and shared SCCS experience in the Commission workshop on a roadmap towards phasing out animal testing for chemical safety assessments on 11 and 12 December 2023.

See: https://single-market-economy.ec.europa.eu/presentations-comission-roadmap-phasing-out-animal-testing-chemical-safety-assessments_en

The SCCS wrote back to the DG GROW organiser that they would like to be included in their organisation panel for their future events.

• JRC – PARERE informed about Horizon Europe - Coordination and Support Action on "Gaining experience and confidence in New Approach Methodologies (NAM) for regulatory safety and efficacy testing – coordinated training and experience exchange for regulators". More information can be found here:

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-hlth-2024-ind-06-09

- Secretariat informed about two proposals open for consultation until 7 February 2024:
 - 1. as regards 'establishing a common data platform on chemicals, laying down rules to ensure that the data contained in it are findable, accessible, interoperable and reusable and establishing a monitoring and outlook framework for chemicals' (COM(2023)779final):

See: https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/13459-Chemical-safety-better-access-to-chemicals-data-for-safety-assessments_en

2. and the 're-attribution of scientific and technical tasks and improving cooperation among Union agencies in the area of chemicals' (COM(2023)783final).

See: https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/13161-Chemicals-making-best-use-of-EU-agencies-to-streamline-scientific-assessments en

4. A.O.B.

One member reported from the SCCS participation in the SCHEER WG on weight of evidence.

5. Next WG meetings

25-26 January 2024, 28-29 February, 26 March 2024, 24-25 April 2024, 21-22 May 2024 and 19-20 June 2024.
