

Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety (SCCS) 1st Plenary meeting 2022-2026

15-16 March 2022, Luxembourg

Minutes

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES (CHAIR: PROF. Q. CHAUDHRY)

The Chair welcomed all participants, in particular the SCHEER representative and DG GROW F2 colleague. The agenda was adopted. One apology was received for both days; two apologies received for the half of 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

2.1 GENERAL INFORMATION FROM DG GROW

- Open Public Consultation (OPC) will be launched on the revision of the Cosmetics Regulation in the framework of the new chemical strategy once the questionnaire will be translated into all EU languages, most probably by the end of the month.
- A call for data on salicylic esters used in cosmetics and the aggregate exposure to salicylic acid from cosmetic products will be launched in April.

2.2. NEW MANDATES

The following mandates have been adopted and published: <u>SCCS - Mandates | Public Health (europa.eu)</u>

- 1. Scientific opinion on the hair dye 'Sodium Bromothymol Blue (C186)' (CAS No. 34722-90-2, EC No. 252-169-7)
- 2. Opinion on opinion on Hydroxyapatite (nano) (CAS/EC No.: 1306-06-5/215-145-7)

2.3. DRAFT OPINIONS

WG cosmetic ingredients

COMMENTS ON ADOPTED OPINIONS

Preliminary Opinion on Kojic acid: The rapporteurs presented the SCCS responses to comments received during the commenting period as well as the final Opinion, that has been amended accordingly. All documents have been adopted.

The final Opinion is published: SCCS - Opinions (europa.eu)

The members presented the SCCS comments received during the commenting period for:

- Preliminary Opinion on 4-Methylbenzylidene camphor (4-MBC)
- Preliminary Opinion on Genistein and Daidzein
- Preliminary Opinion on Revision of the Vitamin A Opinion

DRAFT OPINIONS DISCUSSED

The following preliminary opinions have been adopted and will be published for 8 weeks commenting period: SCCS - Opinions (europa.eu)

- Arbutins
- Scientific Advice on Triclocarban / Triclosan

The following draft Opinions will be further discussed at the next WG meeting in April:

- Methylparaben
- Butylparaben
- Salicylic acid
- Aluminium (aggregate exposure)

WG nanomaterials

DRAFT OPINIONS - UPDATE

- 1. Fullerenes (nano). Requests for additional data have been sent to Notifiers.
- 2. Silica (nano). Letter to Applicant has been agreed and sent to DG GROW for follow-up.

WG on Methodologies

Feedback from previous WG meetings as well as a state of play regarding the 12th revision of the SCCS Notes of Guidance (NoG) on the testing of cosmetic ingredients and their safety evaluation was provided by the chair of the WG.

Next topics and planned meetings:

7 June 2022

• Baby exposure data + 12th revision of the NoG

Tentative date: 6 September 2022

• Threshold of Toxicological Concern + 12th revision of the NoG

3. Information from commission/ Chairs / members

- The list of mandates/opinions for both Scientific Committees has been circulated
- A member shared the report from the workshop held by Cosmetics Europe and EU-ToxRisk on 3rd December 2021, describing the use of NAMs in risk assessment and regulatory purposes.
- DG ENV impact assessment activities related to the revision of the REACH Regulation and issue of mixtures & Mixtures Assessment Factor (MAF): Commission is planning to organise a second workshop on introducing a MAF in REACH by the end of April 2022. Website with information on the CSS: https://ec.europa.eu/environment/strategy/chemicals-strategy_en where Commission plans to inform about upcoming events. There is also a link to the work on revision of REACH where more information can be found: https://ec.europa.eu/environment/chemicals/reach/reach revision chemical strategy_en.htm.
- Vice-chair reported on the JRC-PARERE¹ meeting held on 17 February 2022. SCCS and SCHEER representatives participated to present their respective challenges. The SCCS provided feedback to the JRC regarding gaps or redundancies in the proposed NAMs.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

• Vice-chair reported on his participation in the SCHEER WG on Co in toys.

Next plenary meetings:

21-22 June 2022 24-25 October 2022

Next WG meetings:

- WG Cosmetic ingredients: 19-20 April and 31 May-1st June, 18-19 July, 7-8 September and 3-4 October 2022
- WG Nanomaterials in cosmetics: 22 March and 29 April 2022
- WG Methodology: 7 June and 6 September 2022

¹ PARERE - EURL ECVAM Network for Preliminary Assessment of Regulatory Relevance | EU Science Hub (europa.eu)