



Luxembourg, 18 June 2019

Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety (SCCS) Meeting of the Working Group on Methodologies

24 May 2019, Luxembourg

MINUTES

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

The SCCS Chair welcomed the participants. DG GROW apologised.

The agenda was adopted.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 26 March were endorsed by written procedure by the WG members and published on the website:

https://ec.europa.eu/health/sites/health/files/scientific_committees/consumer_safety/docs/sccs2016_miwg_060.pdf

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

2. List of points discussed and conclusions

OPEN session

A. The morning session was dedicated to *ab initio* assessment

The Chair welcomed Dr Carmichael Paul (Unilever - >UK) to make a presentation on *ab initio* risk assessment. The speaker used the NGRA (New Generation Risk Assessment) scheme to build up a practical case for a number of cosmetic ingredients with known tox data. An animate discussion took place.

1. SCCS highly appreciated the presentation and got as such a good insight of some specific developments within the cosmetic industry.

2. SCCS clearly expressed that further info from other companies on the state of play would be welcomed as well, also information regularly received from cosmetic associations like Cosmetics Europe/IFRA would be much appreciated.
3. To see further progress and feasibility, the SCCS would be ready to receive a “fake” dossier using only NAMS (New Approach Methodology) for the safety evaluation of an existing or new Annex ingredient. A key message for all cosmetic industries is priority to standardisation!

INTERNAL afternoon session

B. Notes of Guidance (NANO) update

The Chair of the WG informed that the NANO guidance is planned for adoption in June plenary meeting should the WG be able to finalise it. The chair of the WG was requested to check consistency with the SCCS Notes of Guidance (SCCS/1602/18).

The chair of the WG also highlighted some issues like NAMs to be discussed under the next revision of the above SCCS Notes of Guidance.

C. WG on Methodology on 27 February 2019: follow-up of the scientific workshop

- A proposal was made and discussed for the lay-out of the planned scientific article that SCCS suggested to draft together with the speakers. Comments have been collected. A new suggestion was made to ask for a specific SCCS issue (book) instead of just an Article. This proposal was accepted by the WG and speakers will be contacted to get their agreement first.
- The group discussed whether a follow up is needed for one or more of the topics of the speakers. It was highlighted that (internal) TTC – Threshold of Toxicological Concern -(Q)SAR and *read across* in risk assessment, together with some case studies (e.g. parabens) should be deeper discussed. 25 September meeting date has been suggested and will be explored.

3. Information from the Commission and WG members

- Regulation on CMR Omnibus adopted and published in the Official Journal: Commission Regulation (EU) 2019/831 of 22 May 2019 amending Annexes II, III and V to Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on cosmetic products was published in the OJ L 137 on 23.5.2019, p. 29–63: https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2019.137.01.0029.01.ENG&toc=OJ:L:2019:137:FULL

- DG GROW requested a clarification on SCCS Opinion on salicylic acid. The discussion ended up with a possible request for a CORRIGENDUM for clarification in conclusion 2.
- SCCS has been invited to participate in an international symposium on cosmetics on 7 November in FR (Chartres) to talk about the “Endocrine Disruptors’ issue” in risk assessment of cosmetics. The group will check the availability of its members.

4. Next steps

To collect all input and suggestions from the members to prepare next meetings (25 September).

5. Next meeting(s)

25 September 2019 (to be confirmed)

6. List of participants

SCCS Members

1. Dr Ulrike BERNAUER
2. Dr Laurent BODIN
3. Prof. Qasim CHAUDHRY (Chair SCCS)
4. Prof. Pieter-Jan COENRAADS (Vice-chair SCCS)
5. Prof. Maria DUSINSKA
6. Dr Janine EZENDAM
7. Prof. Corrado L. GALLI
8. Dr Eric GAFFET
9. Dr Berit GRANUM
10. Prof. Eirini PANTERI
11. Prof. Vera ROGIERS (Vice-chair SCCS and chair of the WG)
12. Dr Christophe ROUSSELLE
13. Dr Maciej STEPNIK
14. Prof. Tamara VANHAECKE

SCCS External Experts

15. Dr Alain SIMONNARD
16. Dr Natalie VON GÖTZ

SCHEER representative

17. Dr Renate KRÄTKE (SCHEER Member)

Apologies

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Invited external expert – speaker

18. Dr Carmichael Paul (Unilever - UK)

Observers

19. Ms Martina Klaric and Mr Bertrand Desprez (Cosmetics Europe)
20. Ms Amaia Irizar (IFRA)

SCCS Secretariat (DG SANTE C2)

1. Natacha GRENIER

DG GROW D4 representative

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