

# **Summary record of the meeting of the Scientific sub-committee on Animal Health held on 24 November in Brussels adopted 22 February 2000**

## **List of Participants**

### **MEMBERS**

Dr. R. Ahl (Chairman), Dr. D. Alexander, Prof. J. Badiola Diez, Dr. F. Garrido-Abellan, Dr. M. Gunn, Prof. Dr. V. Moennig, Prof. G. Panina, Prof. A-L. Parodi, Prof. Dr. J. van Oirschot, Dr. E. Vanopdenbosch

### **COMMISSION**

Mr. J. Moynagh, Ms. G. Morosetti

### **APOLOGIES**

Prof. S. Alexandersen

## **SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE SUBCOMMITTEE ON ANIMAL HEALTH**

### **1. Adoption of the Agenda**

The agenda was adopted. The discussion of a report on possible links between Crohn's disease and paratuberculosis was postponed to the next meeting, because the document was still being finalised by the working group.

### **2. Adoption of minutes of the meeting of the Subcommittee on 22 September 99**

The minutes of the meeting were adopted with minor amendments.

### **3. Declarations of interest**

No member reported any conflicts of interest relating to the items under discussion

### **4. Discussion and possible approval by the Sub-Committee of a report on Bacterial Kidney Disease**

*Rapporteur: Prof. A.L. Parodi*

The Subcommittee examined in detail the draft report that had been circulated prior to the meeting. The rapporteur described the contents of the report in detail and informed the members about the conclusions and recommendations proposed.

Following discussion and several amendments to the draft report, it was decided to circulate the finalised conclusions and recommendations as agreed by the Subcommittee and to approve the report subject to these amendments. The document will then go forward to the Plenary of the Scientific Committee on Animal Health and Animal Welfare for discussion and possible adoption at its meeting on 8 December 1999.

### **5. Discussion and possible approval by the Sub-Committee of a report on the infective period**

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*Rapporteur Prof. S. Alexandersen*

In the absence of the rapporteur, the secretariat outlined the background and the contents of this report.

The document was approved with some amendments and a revised version will be circulated before the meeting of the Committee on 8 December where it will be discussed with a view to adoption.

## **6. Discussion and possible approval by the Sub-Committee of a report on the inactivation of viruses in blood**

*Rapporteur: Prof. J. Van Oirschot*

The document was examined and it was suggested that it should be expanded to include indications for a general calculation of acceptable levels of virus inactivation. Examples referring to some viruses of main importance listed in the document could be given.

## **7. Miscellaneous**

No points were discussed under miscellaneous

**The meeting was closed at 17.00h.**