



**SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 144<sup>TH</sup> SCAN PLENARY MEETING  
(BRUSSELS, 16-18 OCTOBER 2002)**

**(APPROVED ON 02-04 DECEMBER 2002)**

**1. WELCOME, APOLOGIES**

The list of those present is annexed.

**2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

None for the meeting. Some declarations made at previous meetings are still valid.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda is approved after slight reorganisation and with the addition of some items that will be reflected in the structure of these minutes.

**4. ADOPTION OF THE SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 143<sup>RD</sup> MEETING OF SCAN**

The minutes of the 143<sup>rd</sup> SCAN meeting were adopted unanimously. The adopted minutes of the 142<sup>nd</sup> meeting were distributed to the Committee.

**5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF A SCIENTIFIC OPINION**

**5.1. Question 115 on the use of benzoic acid in feedingstuffs for pigs for fattening**

The document was extensively discussed. The draft presented by the rapporteur appeared too long and too detailed. The Committee requested therefore that it be shortened. There was an overall agreement on the content of the document which once modified as requested by the Committee, could be proposed for adoption using a Written Procedure. It was agreed that a revised version would be prepared for that purpose and that the Written Procedure would be launched in the following weeks.

**5.2. Question 119 to update the opinion on the use of formaldehyde as a preserving agent for animal feedingstuffs**

The rapporteur presented the draft report intended to update the previous SCAN opinion on formaldehyde, following submission of a supplementary dossier by the petitioner. The Committee agreed unanimously to the adoption

of the report. It supported in particular the views expressed by the working group that the product could be considered rather as a disinfectant than as a preservative agent.

**5.3. Question 118 on the use of Tryptosine®, a blend of L-lysine-HCl (70%°) with L-tryptophan (15-20%) and its residues of fermentation with *Escherichia coli* K-12 for piglets, pigs for fattening and chickens for fattening**

This draft had already been discussed in April plenary meeting and had to be amended in the light of the comments made at that occasion. The rapporteur presented the revised version which was unanimously adopted with minor editorial modifications.

**5.4. Question 85 on the safety of use of micro-organisms**

The working group has still a few products on its agenda coming from the original question linked to implementation of Council Directive 93/113/EEC.

One of these micro-organism product, Kluyten<sup>®</sup>, had been found satisfactory and discussed in the SCAN plenary meeting of May 2001. The Committee had requested at that time that a new tolerance study, in compliance with the SCAN criteria established in the guidelines, be carried out.

The company provided a new tolerance test which appears to fulfill these criteria and the results allow to conclude on the safety for the target animals. Consequently, the product was found safe and the SCAN agreed unanimously to its addition to the positive list of the Opinion on the use of certain micro-organisms as additives in feedingstuffs which was adopted as updated.

**5.5. Question 126 on the safety of the use of product Oralin® in turkeys**

The working group finalised the evaluation and the rapporteur presented the outcome. The extension of use to turkeys of this product already evaluated by SCAN for other target animals does not appear of concern and the safety is demonstrated.

In addition, the product being based on an *Enterococcus* strain, the company was asked for information on possible virulence factors. The data provided showed that the product is safe with regard to that aspect.

The whole Committee agreed therefore unanimously to the safety of the product and adopted consequently the report.

**5.6. Question 86 on the safety of use of enzymes**

Product Lisovit E is the last enzymatic product submitted to SCAN under that question. The rapporteur presented the conclusions of the evaluation. The Committee agreed no conclusions could be reached on the safety of that product, and adopted unanimously the update to its Opinion on the use of certain enzymes in animal feedingstuffs.

### **5.7. Question 141 on the safety of enzymatic product Biofeed phytase® for sows**

The rapporteur presented a draft report on the safety of the use of that product in sows. The product has already been considered by SCAN for other target animals and was found satisfactory. The data on tolerance are satisfactory and the safety of the product appears demonstrated for the target animals. The Committee agreed with this conclusion and adopted unanimously the report.

### **5.8. Question 127 on the safety of product Emulbesto 3000®**

The Committee examined thoroughly the draft report presented by the rapporteur. It agreed to the important lacks of the dossier which do not allow to draw reliable conclusions. The Committee requested numerous changes to the document and adopted unanimously the report as amended.

### **5.9. Question 99 on the use of copper in feedingstuffs**

This wide question is the first of a series on trace elements. Two groups exist and other questions may arrive, such as on iodine.

The document prepared by the group was introduced by the rapporteur. This long document was examined in detail and a number of changes were requested both to the structure and to the content. The document could therefore not be adopted and should be reviewed by the rapporteur for the next plenary in the light of the comments expressed.

## **6. FEED-BACK BY THE CHAIRMAN ON SUBJECTS DISCUSSED IN THE SCIENTIFIC STEERING COMMITTEE (SSC) AND HAVING AN INTEREST FOR THE SCAN**

Not discussed.

## **7. FEED-BACK BY MEMBERS OF THE SCAN HAVING ATTENDED WORKING GROUP MEETINGS OF OTHER SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES**

Not discussed.

## **8. PROGRESS REPORTS**

### **8.1. Micro-organisms**

A meeting should take place in November where the answers from companies will be considered. Depending on the outcome, some products may be proposed for adoption at the next plenary meeting.

#### **8.1.1. Question 125 on the evaluation of the safety of Calfmix®, a micro-organism product**

No answer has been received from the company. The evaluation is suspended.

8.1.2. Question 130 on the safety of the micro-organism product Provita E<sup>®</sup> for use as feed additive

The company answered the questions of the group. Additional clarifications are now needed.

8.1.3. Question 137 on the efficacy of micro-organism product Biosaf SC47 in cattle for fattening

The product was discussed and a draft report is under preparation. It should be submitted to the next SCAN plenary for discussion and possible adoption.

8.1.4. Question 138 on safety of micro-organism product Turval BO399 for weaning piglets

The dossier has arrived and will be considered by the Working Group.

## 8.2. Enzymes

8.2.1. Question 123 on 3-phytase EC 3.2.1.8 produced by *Aspergillus niger* CBS 491.94

Work is progressing. A draft could be ready for the next plenary meeting.

8.2.2. Question 134 on safety of enzymatic product Allzyme PT<sup>®</sup> for turkeys for fattening

Questions sent to the company remain unanswered and the work of the group is therefore stopped.

## 8.3. Question 114 on the use of titanium dioxide-coated mica in feedingstuffs for salmon and trout

No progress on this question. The group should be reactivated.

## 8.4. Question 117 on the use of zinc in feedingstuffs

The working group continues its work. A draft opinion is under preparation. Coordination with the copper draft has to be ensured and both rapporteur will discuss and agree on the approach.

## 8.5. Question 121 on undesirable substances in feed

One subgroup has almost completed its evaluation and a draft should be submitted at the next plenary meeting. Two other groups made significant progress. The last subgroup on botanical impurities is still at the starting point due to the difficulty to identify experts in the field.

**8.6. Question 122 on the re-evaluation of coccidiostats and other medicinal substances in accordance with article 9G of Council Directive 70/524/EEC.**

Progress is heterogeneous on this question. A lot of progress was made in the subgroup on environment where the assessment is almost completed. Other groups should reach the same level so that opinions can be compiled and proposed to the SCAN plenary.

**8.7. Question 136 on the efficacy of salinomycin sodium as coccidiostat in laying hens**

A question has been sent to the company asking for the data necessary to assess the efficacy of the product at the level claimed. The work is stopped until data are received.

**8.8. Question 142 on the safety of fumaric acid**

No progress on this question

**8.9. Question 143 on the coccidiostat Kokcisan® 120G**

The product is considered together with other coccidiostats in the groups created for question 122.

**9. NEW QUESTIONS**

**9.1. Question 144 on the safety of the enzymatic product Avizyme 1300® for use as feed additive**

This question will be considered by the group on enzymes. A rapporteur will be chosen among the group members.

**9.2. Question 145 on the evaluation of the efficacy of micro-organism product Levucell® SB 20**

This question will be considered by the group on micro-organisms. A rapporteur will be chosen among the group members.

**9.3. Question 146 on the evaluation of the efficacy of enzymatic product « Endofeed DC» (endo-1, 3 (4)-beta-glucanase and endo-1, 4-beta-xylanase produced by *Aspergillus niger*)**

This question will be considered by the group on enzymes. A rapporteur will be chosen among the group members.

**9.4. Question 147 on the use of iodine in feedingstuffs**

The SCAN considered that at this stage of its mandate, it is not in a position to conclude on such a question before transfer to EFSA. Therefore no group was created.

**9.5. Question 148 on safety of the enzymatic product Quatrzyme HP® for use as feed additive in turkeys for fattening**

This question will be considered by the group on enzymes. A rapporteur will be chosen among the group members.

**9.6. Question 149 on Phaffia Rhodozyma**

A supplementary dossier was sent by the company in reply to SCAN opinion. It should be considered by the group and the opinion updated accordingly.

**9.7. Question 150 on the use of synthetic sodium aluminium silicate (zeolite) for the reduction of risk of milk fever in dairy cows**

No group created.

**9.8. Question 151 on the use of HMBI, an analogue of methionine, in dairy cows**

A group is created. The Chairman, together with the Secretariat, will contact SCAN members who could join.

**9.9. Question 152 on the safety of BioProtein**

Studies were carried out by the company following SCAN opinion on the product. They have to be addressed. The rapporteur previously in charge of the question is asked to consider them and to propose an update of the opinion.

**9.10. Question 153 on the safety of Carotenoids authorised in EU-legislation**

This question is very wide and implies the assessment of all carotenoids authorised in animal nutrition. In the absence of any data accompanying the request, SCAN questions the feasibility of this evaluation and is reluctant to accept it as such. In addition, completion cannot be ensured within the short time remaining before the end of its mandate and the transfer to EFSA.

Therefore no working group was created. Emphasis will be preferably put on completion of other questions already on the agenda or of a more limited scope where rapid conclusion is reachable.

**9.11. Question 154 on the safety of enzymatic product Econase Wheat Plus for use as feed additive in chickens and turkeys for fattening**

This question will be considered by the group on enzymes. A rapporteur will be chosen among the group members.

**9.12. Question 155 on the impact on animal health of the use of micro-organism product Biomin**

This question will be considered by the group on micro-organisms. A rapporteur will be chosen among the group members.

### **9.13. Question 156 on the safety of use of micro-organism product Biosprint**

This question will be considered by the group on micro-organisms. A rapporteur will be chosen among the group members.

## **10. MISCELLANEOUS**

Documents commenting on the opinion on resistance in micro-organisms were distributed to the Committee. They will be addressed by the microbiologists of the SCAN and further discussed at the next plenary meeting.

## **Annex - Attendance**

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