



# Summary record of the 120<sup>th</sup> SCAN Plenary Meeting (Brussels, 25 January 1999) (approved at the 121<sup>st</sup> meeting on 27-28 April 1999)

## 1. Welcome, apologies

All members were present.

The Chairman welcomed the members and presented his greetings for the new year. The work done in 1998 was summarised and the tasks foreseen for 1999 were listed.

The Chairman reported his meeting with Mr Reichenbach (Director General of DG XXIV) on the subject of SCAN work and the needs of the European Commission in terms of clarity and coherence of scientific opinions.

The Committee endorsed the views that the Chairman had expressed in the Scientific Steering Committee [concerning the use of the SCAN reports in the Council Regulation \(EC\) 98/2821](#).

## 2. [Declarations of interests](#)

[Following a verbal declaration of interest concerning a special relationship with a feed additive manufacturer, the Chairman requested the member concerned to send a written declaration.](#)

## 3. [Approval of the agenda](#)

[The agenda was adopted.](#)

## 4. [Approval of the summary record of the 119<sup>th</sup> meeting](#)

[Some wording amendments proposed by a member under items 5, 7.1, 8.1 and 8.2 were accepted and the summary record of the 119<sup>th</sup> meeting was approved as amended.](#)

## 5. [Discussion and possible adoption of a scientific opinion concerning :](#)

[5.1. Question 85 on the safety of use the micro-organism additives listed in notice 96/263 \(O.J. N° C263, 11.9.96, p.3\) following article 5 of Council Directive 93/113/EC \(O.J. N° L334, 31.12.93, p.17\)](#)

[Summary reports on Oralin ® and Toyocerin ® were presented. After some discussions, both the two products were adopted by the Committee on the proposal of the rapporteur and added to the annex of the report on "The use of certain micro-organisms as additives in the feedingstuffs".](#)

[For the remaining dossiers, further information is still requested and will be examined when provided by the companies.](#)

[5.2. Question 86 on the safety of use enzyme additives listed in notice 96/263 \(O.J. N° C263, 11.9.96, p.3\) following](#)

[article 5 of Council Directive 93/113/EC \(O.J. N° L334, 31.12.93, p.17](#)

[The rapporteur presented the decision tree established by the working group for the assessment of the safety of products including several enzymatic activities originating from different strains.](#)

[The rapporteur presented a summary report of the assessment done by its working group for some enzymes. The Committee discussed these assessments and requested some improvements in the summaries. The addition of the products proposed by the rapporteur to the annex of the report on "The use of certain enzymes in animal feedingstuffs" was adopted by the Committee.](#)

[5.3. Question 70 on the use of formaldehyde as preservative agent for feed](#)

[This item is postponed to the next meeting. It is agreed that the members of the Committee will comment to the rapporteur before the next plenary.](#)

## **[6. Progress reports concerning :](#)**

[6.1. Question 79 on the use of semduramycin in feedingstuffs for chickens for fattening](#)

[The group continues its work but some members still wait for the dossier of the company.](#)

[6.2. Question 87 on the re-evaluation of the safety of use of nitroimidazole as feed additives](#)

[The group should meet the day after this plenary to finalise its draft report, which will be circulated to the SCAN members for comment.](#)

[6.3. Question 89 on the use of diclazuril as feed additive for rabbits](#)

[No answer from the company to the questions raised by the group.](#)

[6.4. Question 95 concerning the use of narasin as antibiotic feed additive in feed for pigs](#)

[The group continues its work. A microbiologist should be added to the group The rapporteur will propose an expert to the Committee.](#)

[6.5. Question 96 concerning the use of Vevocel \(co-product of penicillin production\) as a source of protein for ruminants and pigs](#)

[The group has received the dossier and started to work. A meeting will be organised.](#)

[6.6. Question 97 on the use of protein products of fermentation from natural gas obtained by culture of \*Methylococcus capsulatus\* \(Bath\), \*Alcaligenes acidovorans\*, \*Bacillus firmus\*, the living cells of which have been killed, in piglets, pigs for fattening and chickens for fattening Establishment of a working group](#)

[The group has not received the dossier. An expert of the Scientific Committee for Food will be added to the group.](#)

## **[7. Establishment of a working group](#)**

[7.1. Question 99 on the efficacy, the safety and the environmental impact of the use of copper compounds in feeding stuffs](#)

[A rapporteur is chosen and will be helped by Committee members as well as members of the Scientific Committee for Toxicity, Ecotoxicity and Environment.](#)

[7.2. Question 100 on the revision of the guidelines](#)

Members of SCAN will examine the new draft and look at the last contributions of Member States and comment.

7.3. Question 101 on the way to assess efficacy of enzymes and micro-organisms

It is agreed to send this question to both the two existing groups dealing respectively with enzymes and micro-organisms.

**8. Cancellation of mandate to SCAN**

Question 98 on the effect of the use of Polyvinyl pyrrolidone (as binder in feedingstuffs for fish) on the environment is cancelled.

**9. Feed-back by the chairman on subjects discussed in the SSC and having an interest for SCAN**

None

**10. Feed-back by members of SCAN having attended working group meetings of other scientific committees**

None

**11. Miscellaneous**

None