



# Summary record of the 122<sup>nd</sup> SCAN Plenary Meeting (Brussels, 10-11 June 1999)

(approved at the 123<sup>rd</sup> meeting on 13 July 1999)

## 1. Welcome, apologies

See the attached list of presence.

## 2. Declarations of interests

None.

The annual declaration of interest was collected from the members of the Committee absent at the last plenary meeting.

## 3. Approval of the agenda

Four items were added to the agenda in order to create working groups

## 4. Approval of the summary record of the 121<sup>st</sup> meeting

Minutes were adopted.

## 5. Discussion and possible adoption of a scientific opinion concerning :

### 5.1. Question 70 on the use of formaldehyde as preservative agent for feed

The rapporteur introduced the draft report. It was discussed and some editorial changes were proposed.

The draft report was adopted unanimously once amended.

### 5.2. 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)

The summary of the safety assessment of five products (Lactiferm<sup>®</sup>, Primver Pro<sup>®</sup>, Oralin<sup>®</sup>, Microferm<sup>®</sup> and Bioplus 2B<sup>®</sup>) and the conclusion of the working group were presented. The Committee adopted unanimously the proposal to add these products in the annex to the report (on the safety of use of certain micro-organisms as additives in feedingstuffs), under the heading of products that pose no risk for humans, animal categories or environment.

Product Neoferm BS-10 was also presented. The strains involved in this product could lead to transfer of antibiotic resistance. Therefore the Committee agreed unanimously to the report dedicated to this product, concluding that its use was unsafe. It was agreed to add that product in annex to the report (on the use of certain micro-organisms as additives

in feedingstuffs), under the heading of products that pose a risk for humans, animal categories or environment.

5.3. 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)

Following the assessment done by the group, the rapporteur presented sixteen products for adoption. Each product was discussed individually. In the case of product Panstimase<sup>®</sup>, despite the satisfactory conclusion of the assessment, the Committee, in agreement with the rapporteur, expressed its concerns with regard to the presence of a neomycin contamination of the product.

Finally, the Committee adopted the proposed addition of these sixteen products to the SCAN report on the safety of use of enzyme additives, with a particular remark for Panstimase<sup>®</sup> stating that such use of strain producing antibiotic used in humans or animals is highly undesirable and could pose a risk.

5.4. Question 89 on the use of diclazuril as feed additive for rabbits

A draft report was circulated. Comments were requested from SCAN members. The discussion was postponed to the next meeting.

## **6. Progress reports concerning :**

6.1. Question 79 on the use of semduramycin in feedingstuffs for chickens for fattening

Not discussed.

6.2. Question 95 concerning the use of narasin as antibiotic feed additive in feed for pigs

The rapporteur summarised the situation on Narasin<sup>®</sup>. A question requesting data will be sent to the company.

6.3. Question 96 concerning the use of Vevocel (co-product of penicillin production) as a source of protein for ruminants and pigs

The rapporteur presented a draft report and requested comments from other members.

6.4. 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

Working group members have sent their contributions and a draft report is in preparation.

6.5. Question 99 on the efficacy, the safety and the environmental impact of the use of copper compounds in feeding stuffs

Not discussed.

6.6. Question 100 on the revision of the guidelines. Outcome of the different groups.

Not discussed.

6.7. Question 101 on the way to assess the efficacy of enzymes

Not discussed

6.8. Question 102 on the way to assess the efficacy of probiotics

The outcome of the working group was presented. A first working document established on the basis of the existing guidelines was discussed. The discussion will continue within the group and with the input of other SCAN members.

The working document included practical requirements to assess the efficacy, in particular for pigs as two products had to be considered by the working group (Toyocerin<sup>®</sup> and Bioplus 2B<sup>®</sup>). The Committee was in agreement with the proposed approach and with the assessment done for these products.

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

None.

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

None

## **9. Miscellaneous : establishment of a working group**

9.1. Question 94 on the Swedish safeguard clause against four antibiotics authorised as feed additives.

A group was created in order to address the whole question.

9.2. Question 106 on the use of canthaxanthin in feedingstuffs for laying hens, other poultry, salmon and trout.

A group was created. An expert from the Scientific Committee for Food should be added.

9.3. Question 107 on the use of nifursol in feedingstuffs for turkeys

A group was created.

9.4. Question 108 on the use of potassium diformate in feedingstuffs for piglets and pigs for fattening.

A group was created.