



**SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 147TH SCAN PLENARY MEETING
(BRUSSELS, 19-20 FEBRUARY 2003)**

(APPROVED ON 26 MARCH 2003)

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 was approved after slight reorganisation that will be reflected in the structure of these minutes.

4. ADOPTION OF THE SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 146TH MEETING OF SCAN

The minutes of the 146th SCAN meeting were adopted unanimously after few amendments. The adopted minutes of the 145th meeting were distributed to the Committee.

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF A SCIENTIFIC OPINION

5.1. Question 99 on the use of copper in feedingstuffs

Following contributions from several SCAN members an updated version of the document was presented to the Committee. Some additional corrections and amendments were made in the course of discussion of the opinion. The document was adopted unanimously by the Committee with the provision that some additional modifications would be made before publication.

5.2. Question 117 on the use of zinc in feedingstuffs

The rapporteur presented the draft opinion, which included amendments following the discussion from the previous plenary and contributions from members. The Committee examined the document and still some minor amendments were requested. The conclusions and recommendations were discussed in further detail, and there was an agreement on the content of the document. The Committee agreed to proceed with a Written Procedure to finalise the document for possible adoption.

5.3. Question 121 on undesirable substances in feed; Mycotoxins

The Question 121 on undesirable substances is divided into four categories (Ions and elements; Mycotoxins; Organic contaminants; Botanical impurities). The four categories of substances are addressed independently, and therefore each report is to be published as soon as finalised and adopted by the SCAN. The complete opinion (Part I) will, at the end, include reports of all four categories addressed. The second part, to be carried out at a later stage, would consist of detailed evaluation for those substances identified in Part I.

The draft opinion on Mycotoxins (Part I), including further contributions from Committee members, was presented to the Plenary. The document is a general review of the substances already listed in the current legislation and of those that could be considered for listing. The content of the document was examined in detail and the general introduction of the document was further amended. The opinion was adopted subject to incorporation of changes as discussed and suggested by the Committee.

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

The rapporteur presented a summary of the assessment of the product. This product is a colouring matter for salmon and trout feed. Concern about the lack of demonstration of the benefit of the use of this product e.g. by reducing feed wastage was raised and discussed. The SCAN requires demonstration of the efficacy under practical conditions. It should also be confirmed that the raw materials for the product are free of possible contamination. The opinion, as amended during the meeting, was adopted unanimously.

6. PROGRESS REPORTS

6.1. Micro-organisms

6.1.1. Question 85 on the safety of micro-organisms

The group still waits for replies related to this question. In the absence of reaction or clear timetable for action, rejection may be proposed to SCAN at the next plenary.

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

Not addressed.

6.1.3. Question 138 on safety of micro-organism product Turval BO399 for use as feed additive

Not addressed. Additional information has been requested from the company.

6.1.4. Question 155 on the impact on animal health of the use of micro-organism product Biomin®

Not addressed. Additional information has been requested from the company.

6.1.5. Question 156 on the safety of use of micro-organism product Biosprint®

Not addressed.

6.1.6. Question 158 on the safety of use of micro-organism product Yea-Sacc for horses

Not addressed.

6.2. Enzymes

6.2.1. Question 134 on safety of enzymatic product Allzyme PT® for turkeys for fattening

Not addressed. No answer from the company.

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

Not addressed. No answer from the company.

6.3. Question 121 on undesirable substances in feed

a) Ions and elements

The document needs to be finalised for the next Plenary.

c) Organic contaminants

Another working group meeting is planned for March. The work should be finished before the end of SCAN.

d) Botanical impurities

Experts in the field have been identified and a working group meeting is planned to take place in March. The work should be finished before the end of SCAN.

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

Re-evaluations are carried out on several products and progress on several aspects has been made. The working group on microbiology met in February and another working group meeting on coccidiostat safety aspects is taking place immediately after the plenary. Opinions should be completed to allow discussion at the SCAN plenary.

6.5. Question 136 on the efficacy of coccidiostat salinomycin sodium (Sacox 120) in laying hens

Not discussed.

6.6. Question 143 on the coccidiostat Kokcisan® 120G

Not discussed.

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

Not discussed.

7. NEW QUESTIONS

7.1. Question 159 on the safety of microorganism product MLB *Lactobacillus acidophilus* for dogs

Not addressed.

7.2. Question 160 on the efficacy of enzyme product Endofeed DC (produced by *Aspergillus niger*) for laying hens

The Committee is requested to advise the Commission on the efficacy of the product Endofeed DC when used as a feed additive for the animal category 'laying hens'. The dossier has arrived and the experts in charge have been identified.

7.3. Question 162 to update the opinion on the safety of Nifursol

Supplementary data on the residues and on the genotoxicity of the product has been submitted by the Company. The Commission asks the Committee to update its previous opinion based on this data. The Committee members involved in the previous opinion have to consider the submitted data. Priority should be given to this question as the product is to disappear from the authorised additives from 1st April onwards.

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

Not discussed.

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

Not discussed.

10. MISCELLANEOUS

The Written Procedure to adopt the opinion (update) on the safety of BioProtein® has been completed on the 14th March. The Committee adopted the opinion unanimously.

Annex - Attendance

Members:

Prof. Arturo ANADÓN
Prof. Diana ANDERSON
Ing. Louis Aimé AUMAITRE
Ing. Georges BORIES
Dr Joaquim BRUFAU
Prof. Maria de los Angeles CALVO TORRAS
Dr Andrew CHESSON
Prof. Gerhard FLACHOWSKY (first day)
Prof. Dr Jürgen GROPP
Prof. Jean-François GUILLOT (first day)
Dr Anne Katrine Lundebye HALDORSEN
Dr Ingrid HALLE
Prof. Josef LEIBETSEDER
Mr Derek RENSHAW
Dr Pieter WESTER
Dr Atte VON WRIGHT

Apologies:

Prof. Gerhard FLACHOWSKY (second day)
Prof. Jean-François GUILLOT (second day)
Mr Kristen SEJRSEN

For the Commission:

DG Health and Consumer Protection:

Mr E. Thévenard (Management of SCAN)
Mrs M.C; Duboile-Schokker (Secretariat of SCAN)

For the European Food Safety Authority:

Mrs L. Vahteristo (Management of SCAN)