

C2 – Management of scientific committees; scientific co-operation and networks

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 148TH SCAN PLENARY MEETING (BRUSSELS, 26-28 MARCH 2003)

(APPROVED ON 23-25 APRIL 2003)

1. WELCOME, APOLOGIES

The Chairman welcomed the Committee to its penultimate meeting.

The list of those present is annexed.

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None for the meeting. The declaration of Prof. Von Wright, who was involved in some parts of the dossier constructed for the product Calmix® was recalled. He therefore did not participate to the discussion on the opinion presented.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved after slight reorganisation that will be reflected in the structure of these minutes. Some additions were made under "Miscellaneous".

4. ADOPTION OF THE SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 147TH MEETING OF SCAN

The minutes of the 147th SCAN meeting were adopted unanimously. The adopted minutes of the 146th meeting were distributed to the Committee.

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF A SCIENTIFIC OPINION

5.1. Ouestion 121 on undesirable substances in feed/ions and elements

The document was introduced by the rapporteur who presented the version amended on the basis of several SCAN members' contributions. The Committee went through the document in details and conclusions were agreed for each of the substances considered. A number of editorial remarks were made. The Committee gave mandate to the rapporteur and the SCAN chairman to update the document accordingly and agreed unanimously to the adoption of the opinion.

5.2. Question 085 on the use of certain micro-organisms as additives in feedingstuffs

The summary of the assessment of product Lactobacillus acidophilus MLB was presented by the chairman of the working group. The company appears to

have demonstrated the safety of that product. It is one of the last microorganisms still considered under Question 085. The three last products: Reuteri chicken, Velab bovini and Velab suini will be discussed at the next plenary to close that question.

The Committee agreed to the conclusions drawn by the working group and accepted unanimously to update its positive list annexed to its Report on the use of certain micro-organisms as additives in feedingstuffs

5.3. Question 125 on the evaluation of the safety of Calfmix®, a microorganism product

The chairman of the working group presented the opinion on Calfmix®. The product appears resistant to a number of major antibiotics and the company failed to demonstrate that genes of resistance could not be transferred. As a consequence the Committee agreed with the conclusion of the working group and did not conclude to the safety of the product.

The discussion and the adoption of the opinion took place on the first day of the plenary meeting, while Prof. Von Wright was absent to avoid any conflict of interest.

5.4. Question 134 on the safety of the enzymatic product Allzyme PT ® for use as feed additive in turkeys for fattening

The rapporteur presented the draft report. The Committee discussed the answers provided by the company to the question raised on the composition of the carrier and agreed to the adoption of the opinion.

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

This question was not discussed and was postponed to the next plenary meeting.

5.6. Question 160 on Endofeed DC on the efficacy of product: « Endofeed DC» (endo-1, 3 (4)-beta-glucanase and endo-1, 4-beta-xylanase produced by *Aspergillus niger*

The rapporteur presented the outcome of the evaluation of the efficacy of the product. Data are too limited to allow drawing a conclusion and additional data should be provided to support the beneficial effect for laying hens. The Committee requested amendments to the opinion that, once updated, will be circulated for Written Procedure of adoption.

5.7. Question 161 on the safety of enzymatic product Royabio Excel for ducks

The question and the opinion were introduced to the Committee. The rapporteur presented a report based on the data submitted by the company. The latter allow to conclude on the safety of the product for the target animal. Consequently the Committee agreed unanimously to the safety of the product for ducks.

5.8. Question 163 on the safety of enzymatic product Rovabio Excel for piglets

The question and the opinion were introduced to the Committee. The rapporteur presented a report based on the data submitted by the company. The latter allow to conclude on the safety of the product for the target animal. Consequently the Committee agreed unanimously to the safety of the product for piglets.

6. PROGRESS REPORTS

6.1. Ouestion 121 on undesirable substances in feed:

c) Organic contaminants

The Committee discussed the document presented by the rapporteur and invited for amendments. A revised document should be ready for adoption for the next and last SCAN plenary meeting.

d) Botanic impurities

The rapporteur presented briefly the progress made in that group. An opinion should be ready for the next and last SCAN plenary meeting

6.2. Assessment of coccidiostats

6.2.1. Question 122 on the reevaluation of coccidiostats and other medicinal substances in accordance with article 9G of Council Directive 70/524/EEC

Three documents were presented to the Committee. However in view of the size of the documents and the time necessary to a proper discussion on each of them, the discussion was cancelled.

6.2.2. Question 136 on the evaluation of the efficacy of coccidiostat « Sacox 120 » (salinomycin sodium) in laying hens

Additional information has been requested in August 2002 and is awaited from the company.

6.2.3. Question 143 on the coccidiostat Kokcisan® 120G

Not discussed.

6.3. Question 138 on the safety of the micro-organism product Turval B0399® for use as feed additive

Additional information has been requested and is awaited from the company.

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

The Company questioned the minutes of January, which mentions the lack of answer from the company. Members do not recall any answer to the questions raised on Avizyme 1300.

6.5. Question 155 on the impact on animal health of the use of microorganism product Biomin[®]

Additional information has been requested and is awaited from the company.

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

Additional information has been requested and is awaited from the company.

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

Not addressed.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

7.1. Outcome of Written Procedures

The Written Procedure launched after the last plenary meeting led to the adoption of the opinion on zinc (Question 117) and on Nifursol® (Question 162).

7.2. New questions

- Question 161 on the safety of enzymatic product Rovabio Excel for ducks
- Question 163 on the safety of enzymatic product Rovabio Excel for piglets

Annex - Attendance

Members:

Prof. Arturo ANADÓN

Ing. Louis Aimé AUMAITRE

Ing. Georges BORIES

Dr Joaquim BRUFAU

Prof. Maria de los Angeles CALVO TORRAS (first and second days)

Dr Andrew CHESSON

Prof. Gerhard FLACHOWSKY (first day)

Prof. Dr Jürgen GROPP

Prof. Jean-François GUILLOT

Dr Anne Katrine Lundebye HALDORSEN

Dr Ingrid HALLE

Prof. Josef LEIBETSEDER

Mr Derek RENSHAW

Dr Kris SEJRSEN (first and second days)

Dr Pieter WESTER

Dr Atte VON WRIGHT (second and third days)

Apologies:

Prof. Diana ANDERSON

Prof. Maria de los Angeles CALVO TORRAS (third day)

Prof. Gerhard FLACHOWSKY (second and third day)

Dr Kris SEJRSEN (third day)

Dr Atte VON WRIGHT (first day)

For the Commission:

DG Health and Consumer Protection:

Mrs M.C. Duboile-Schokker (Secretariat of SCAN)

Mr E. Thévenard (Management of SCAN)

Mr F. Verstraete (Legislation)

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Mrs M.N. Costa (Secretariat of SCAN)

Mrs L. Vahteristo (Management of SCAN)