



Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety (SCCS)

11th PLENARY

Venue: Luxembourg

Meeting date: 29 September 2015

Minutes

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed all the participants. Prof Ana PROYKOVA (from SCENIHR) and Dr Jan LINDERS (from SCHER) participated as well. There was one apology.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PLENARY MEETING – 25 MARCH 2015

The minutes were adopted on 24/07/2015 through written procedure and published on the website.

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST ON MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

The Chair requested participants to declare any conflict of interest regarding matters on the agenda. None of the participants declared any conflict of interest. Vice-Chair Dr Qasim Chaudhry left his Institute and will send an updated form of Declaration of Interests to the Secretariat.

5. INFORMATION FROM CHAIR/MEMBERS/COMMISSION

- Exceptionally, there was a preparatory meeting held on 28/9 (pm) to solve last outstanding issues regarding the finalisation of the SCCS Notes of Guidance.
- Both SCCS Opinions' abstracts on Peanut oil/Hydrolysed Wheat Protein have been published in the Scientific Journal "Regulatory Toxicology and Pharmacology". Four additional SCCS Opinions have been sent for publication: Aluminium, Beta-Arbutin, PHMB and TiO₂ (nano).
- ECHA confirmed that they received the comments and attachment from SCCS during the public consultation on 2-methylisothiazol-3(2H)-one (MIT) and these have been included in the Response to Comments (RCOM) document which will be provided to the dossier submitter and RAC for their responses.

- The SCCS Secretariat participated in the last SCOEL plenary meeting in September. A member of SCCS is planning to participate in the December meeting of SCOEL.
- Lessons learned from this term: in the framework of the new Decision setting up the new SCs (adopted on 07/08/2015) and the evaluation of the SCs ongoing, the Commission made a short presentation about feedback requested from the members.
- DG GROW reminded SCCS to use the same terminology for spray product to have a harmonization of the term spray.
- DG GROW informed about a workshop planned on cosmetic product preservation, (21 October, Brussels) and invited few members from SCCS to participate together with the Secretariat.
- The member P-J Coenraads participated on behalf of the SCCS in the SCENIHR working party on tanning devices (sunbeds). A first draft of the opinion is almost ready.

6. NEW REQUESTS/MANDATES

Mandates were adopted; rapporteurs appointed for:

- TiO₂ (nano) in spray products –submission II

7. DRAFT OPINIONS ON

Joint opinion SCCS/SCENIHR/SCHER

- **SYNBIO 3RD OPINION:** the preliminary opinion was published for public consultation between 15 July and 16 September. The public consultation finished on 16 September. 61 comments were received from 12 different organisations - NGOs/universities/public institutions. Secretariat prepared a table of comments and sent them to the Chair and the Rapporteur. Commission informed about a workshop to be held in Luxembourg on 10 December and invited a member of SCCS to participate – one of the Vice Chairs is planning to participate.
http://ec.europa.eu/health/scientific_committees/events/ev_20151210_en.htm

Cosmetic Ingredients

The Chair of the Working Group made a report on the ongoing work

- **UV filter S86 Phenylene Bis Diphenyltriazine** was adopted by written process on 13/07/2015 and published.
The SCCS considers Phenylene bis-diphenyltriazine, S86, not safe for use as a UV-filter in sunscreen products in a concentration up to 10.0% taking into account the scientific data provided. SCCS cannot exclude that Phenylene bis-diphenyltriazine may have a genotoxic potential.
The tests conducted on eye irritation and skin sensitisation are considered inconclusive. The phototoxicity potential can as yet not be excluded. This Opinion

does not apply to inhalation exposure of Phenylene bis-diphenyltriazine since no adequate information on chronic or sub-chronic toxicity after inhalation was provided. The SCCS noted that due to the poor biodegradation potential and the very high octanol-water partition coefficient, long-term effects or bioaccumulation of Phenylene bis-diphenyltriazine, S86, in the environment cannot be excluded. The use of Phenylene bis-diphenyltriazine as an ingredient in sunscreen products might lead to environmental exposure.

http://ec.europa.eu/health/scientific_committees/consumer_safety/docs/sccs_o_184.pdf

Hair Dyes/Fragrances

The Chair of the Working Group made a report on the ongoing work

- **BMHCA**, fragrance 2-(4-tert butylbenzyl)propionaldehyde was adopted by written process on 12/08/2015 and published.

The SCCS is of the opinion that BMHCA is not safe for use as fragrance ingredient in cosmetic leave-on and rinse-off type products, neither at concentration limits according to the ones set up by IFRA in 2013 (MoS = 3.6) nor at concentration limits as set up by IFRA in the revised proposal that has been submitted in 2015 belatedly (MoS = 53). In addition, no firm conclusion could be drawn on mutagenicity. BMHCA poses a risk of inducing skin sensitisation in humans.

http://ec.europa.eu/health/scientific_committees/consumer_safety/docs/sccs_o_189.pdf

Nanomaterial in cosmetic ingredients

The Chair of the Working Group made a report on the ongoing work

- Hydroxyapatite: the draft opinion has been discussed and is planned to be adopted in October by written procedure in order to respect the legal deadline.
- Silica (nano): a revised version of the opinion has been adopted following comments received. It will be published on the website and will carry the date of the revision on the right top corner.

http://ec.europa.eu/health/scientific_committees/consumer_safety/docs/sccs_o_175.pdf

Methodologies

9th revision of the NoG: the document was discussed, finalised and adopted. It will be published after editing process.

http://ec.europa.eu/health/scientific_committees/consumer_safety/opinions/index_en.htm

8. COMMENTS ON OPINIONS ADOPTED

Cosmetic Ingredients

- **ALPHA-ARBUTIN- SCCS/1552/15**

The SCCS answers to comments received were adopted and will be sent out.

Hair Dyes

- **Addendum to** the scientific Opinion on the safety of oxidative hair dye substances and hydrogen peroxide in products to **colour eyelashes** (SCCS/1553/15)
The SCCS answers to comments received were adopted and will be sent out.

Nano in Cosmetic Ingredients

- Opinion on **Silica (nano)** (SCCS/1545/15)
The SCCS answers to comments received were adopted and will be sent out.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Next working group meetings

28-29/10 and 2-3/12/2015:

WG on cosmetic ingredients and hair dyes (joint)

03 and 04/11/2015:

WG on methodology

13/11/2015

WG on nano in cosmetics

Next plenary meetings

15 December 2015 and 16 March 2016

Annex I: List of Participants

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Members of the SCCS

Ulrike Bernauer, Qasim Chaudhry (Vice-Chair), Pieter-Jan Coenraads, Gisela Degen (Vice-Chair), Maria Dusinska, Werner Lilienblum, Elsa Nielsen, Thomas Platzek (Chair), Christophe Rousselle.

Apologies

Jan van Benthem

SCCS Secretariat (DG SANCO C2)

Donata Meroni, Natacha Grenier and Diana Herold

DG GROW D4

Federica de Gaetano