

**EUCAST steering committee meeting  
Summary of minutes of meeting in Glasgow, 9<sup>th</sup> May 2003**

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<b>2</b>	<b>Minutes of meeting of 29 January 2003.</b> Accepted as a correct record.																																								
<b>3</b>	<b>EUCAST websites.</b> The MIC wild type distributions website is operational. EUCAST official site is being updated.																																								
<b>4</b>	<b>Definitions for clinical breakpoints and epidemiological cut-off values.</b> To be presented to national committees for comment.																																								
<b>5</b>	<b>ECCMID Glasgow.</b> A EUCAST symposium on harmonization of quinolone breakpoints in Europe and a poster on EUCAST will be presented.																																								
<b>6</b>	<b>EUCAST procedures for setting breakpoints.</b> Comments from national committees on procedures for harmonization of clinical breakpoints were discussed. A draft document on the EUCAST process for setting breakpoints has been prepared and will be modified following discussion by the Steering Committee.																																								
<b>7</b>	<b>Finance.</b> A grant application to DG-SANCO to support EUCAST activities has been submitted.																																								
<b>8</b>	<b>CEN.</b> The CEN technical committee on MIC methods will meet on 20 June 2003. EUCAST methods will be proposed.																																								
<b>9</b>	<b>EUCAST documents.</b> A discussion documents on broth microdilution is in press with CMI. A quality assurance discussion document is being worked on. The Mycobacterial Susceptibility Testing (E.Dis 8.1) and Intracellular and Cell-associated Pathogens (E.Dis 6.1) Documents need to be converted to Definitive Documents.																																								
<b>10</b>	<b>Harmonization of clinical breakpoints.</b> Tentative breakpoints for glycopeptides and linezolid were discussed. The process has been started for aminoglycosides.																																								
<b>11</b>	<b>Next meeting.</b> 1, 2 September 2003, Copenhagen..																																								