

Ninth EUCAST Steering Committee Meeting

Summary of minutes of meeting at Chinchon, Madrid, Spain, 22-23 November 2004

Attending

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| Ms Jenny Andrews | JA | BSAC | United Kingdom |
| Dr Derek F.J. Brown | DB | Scientific Secretary | United Kingdom |
| Dr Fred Goldstein | FG | SFM | France |
| Dr Gunnar Kahlmeter | GK | Chairperson | Sweden |
| Dr Johan W. Mouton | JM | CRG | The Netherlands |
| Dr Ingrid Nilsson-Ehle | IN-E | SRGA | Sweden |
| Prof Arne Rodloff | AR | DIN | Germany |
| Dr Martin Steinbakk | MS | NWGA | Norway |
| Dr Francisco Soriano | FS | EUCAST | Spain |

Apologies

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| Dr Anders Österlund | AO | SRGA | Sweden |
| Prof Alasdair P. MacGowan | AM | BSAC | United Kingdom |
| Dr Olga Stetsiouk | OS | EUCAST | Russia |

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| 1 | <p>Chairman's welcome IN-E represented SRGA in place of AO and JA represented BSAC in place of AM.</p> |
| 2 | <p>Minutes of meeting of 7-8 September 2004 The minutes were accepted as a correct record.</p> |
| 3 | <p>Matters arising from minutes of 7-8 September 2004 EUCAST contract has now been signed by each of the national representatives.</p> <p>Update of Intracellular pathogens and mycobacteria documents to be pursued.</p> <p>Antifungal subcommittee steering committee had been formed and MIC distributions are being collected for the EUCAST MIC distribution program, with initial emphasis on <i>Candida</i>.</p> |
| 4 | <p>Meeting with CA-SFM, Paris, 21 Oct 2004 GK, JM and DB attended a very positive meeting on behalf of EUCAST. Procedures were clarified and existing EUCAST breakpoints discussed. Some changes to aminoglycoside breakpoints were agreed and are on the EUCAST website.</p> |
| 5 | <p>Daptomycin breakpoints CRG, SRGA and BSAC indicated that the proposed breakpoints were acceptable. Further comment is awaited and a rationale document will be produced.</p> |
| 6 | <p>Rationale documents The format for presentation of Pk/Pd data was agreed and data for quinolones reviewed. Documents for quinolones, aminoglycosides, glycopeptides and linezolid should be completed by January 2005.</p> |
| 7 | <p>β-lactam breakpoints There was extensive discussion of breakpoints for aztreonam, ceftazidime, cefotaxime, ceftriaxone, cefuroxime, cefepime, meropenem, imipenem and ertapenem. Proposed tentative breakpoints will be taken to national committees for comment.</p> |
| 9 | <p>Tigecycline Noted that a preliminary file has been submitted to EMEA.</p> |

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| 10 | CEN/ISO At the meeting on 17 Sept 2004 the reference methodology had been finalised and would be sent for voting. Good progress has been made on a document on testing in vitro devices. |
| 11 | Meeting with NCCLS in Tampa, Jan 2005 A meeting with the NCCLS Enterobacteriaceae/cephalosporins sub-committee would take place on Saturday 8 th Jan 2005. |
| 12 | Collaboration with expert groups The European Study Group for Sexually Transmitted Infections is keen to collaborate on standardisation of methods and breakpoints for <i>N gonorrhoeae</i> . The European meningococcal group is to be contacted. There will be a meeting with the European ARBAO veterinary group within a week. |
| 13 | Issues with reagents Problems with batches of IsoSensitest agar not meeting quality control standards were discussed and will be raised with the manufacturer. |
| 14 | EUCAST documents No additional information. |
| 15 | ECCMID 2005, Copenhagen Steering Committee meeting will be on Friday 1 April, 2005. There will be a workshop for national committee members on the morning of Saturday 2 April. The EUCAST symposium programme is almost finalised. |
| 16 | Workshop for General Committee members A back-to-back meeting with EARSS will be held in Autumn 2005. The venue is yet to be agreed. |
| 17 | Any other business A EUCAST Powerpoint presentation was finalised and will be available on the EUCAST website. <i>S aureus</i> breakpoints for moxifloxacin were discussed and will be raised again at the next meeting. |
| 18 | Next meetings 24-25 January 2005, Oslo. 31 March-1 April 2005, Prior to ECCMID 2005, Copenhagen 12-13 September 2005, Munich 21-22 November 2005, venue to be agreed |

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