

Summary of minutes of EUCAST Steering Committee Meeting Stockholm, Sweden, 5-6 July 2010

Attending

Dr Derek F.J. Brown	DB	Scientific Secretary	United Kingdom
Dr Rafael Cantón	RC	Clinical Data Co-ordinator	Spain
Dr Christian Giske	CG	SRGA	Sweden
Dr Marina Ivanova	MI	EUCAST	Estonia
Prof Gunnar Kahlmeter	GK	Chairperson	Sweden
Prof Alasdair P. MacGowan	AM	BSAC	United Kingdom
Prof Helmut Mittermeyer	HM	EUCAST	Austria
Dr Johan W. Mouton	JM	CRG	The Netherlands
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Apologies

Prof Claude-James Soussy	CS	CA-SFM	France
Prof Arne Rodloff	AR	DIN	Germany

EMA (for 5 July)

Dr Marco Cavaleri	MC		
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ECDC (for 5 July)

Dr Ole Heuer	OH		
Dr Carlo Gagliotti	CGa		
Dr Dominic Monet	DM		
Dr Mark Struelens	MSt		

1	Chairman's welcome MI and HM as new members representing the EUCAST General Committee.
2	Minutes of meeting of 13-14 April 2010 The minutes were accepted as a correct record.
3	Matters arising from minutes of 13-14 April 2010 A paper for CMI explaining ECOFFs is to be prepared. MIC data on anaerobes and <i>H. pylori</i> is to be added to the MIC database. MICs and ECOFFs for mycobacteria have been added to the wild type database. EUCAST breakpoints and QC tables have been updated. Revised breakpoints for colistin have been published. The Postgraduate Course in Madrid, September 2010 is oversubscribed. Carbapenem breakpoints for beta-haemolytic streptococci have been removed and a note added.
4	New drugs Proposed EUCAST breakpoints for a new glycopeptide agent and a new macrocyclic agent were confirmed.
5	Status of EUCAST rationale documents Vancomycin, teicoplanin and colistin documents have been released, fusidic acid, rifampicin and macrolides are close to completion, β -lactams, trimethoprim and fosfomycin are in progress.
6	ECDC The relationship of ECDC and EUCAST was reviewed.
7	Expert rules subcommittee Draft version 2 of the rules was reviewed and will be sent to the Expert rules subcommittee.
8	Antifungal susceptibility testing subcommittee Comments on the draft posaconazole rationale document will be sent to the subcommittee.
9	Anaerobe subcommittee Results of the study comparing different methods will be available soon.
10	Organisms without EUCAST breakpoints Proposed breakpoints for <i>Helicobacter</i> will be sent to the European <i>Helicobacter</i> study group. Proposed breakpoints for <i>C. difficile</i> will be sent to the European <i>C. difficile</i> study group. Work is underway for <i>Campylobacter</i> , <i>Legionella</i> , <i>P. multocida</i> , <i>B. cepacia</i> , rapidly growing mycobacteria and <i>Listeria</i> . <i>Nocardia</i> and <i>Corynebacterium</i> spp. will also be considered.

11	Breakpoints for mupirocin Following review of comments on the latest consultation document breakpoints of 1/256 mg/L were agreed and the rationale document published.
12	EUCAST SOPs Draft documents on breakpoint setting were reviewed. Others are to be prepared.
13	ESCMID/ECCMID EUCAST sessions for the ECCMID in Milan 2011 were reviewed.
14	CLSI GK reported on the June 2010 meeting.
15	Cefazolin breakpoints Proposed cefazolin breakpoints for Enterobacteriaceae were discussed.
16	EMA Draft EMA guidance on data needed for registration of new antibacterial drugs was discussed.
17	Implementation of EUCAST breakpoints A document on readiness of commercial manufacturers for EUCAST breakpoints and a question and answer file have been posted on the website. A note will be added to each breakpoint table to avoid misinterpretation of the absence of an intermediate column as an indication that there is no intermediate category. Laboratories are switching to the EUCAST disk diffusion method in several countries.
18	Agents without breakpoints Work is in progress on several agents but data are difficult to find for several.
20	Any other business None.
21	Next meetings 26-27 September 2010, Madrid, Spain. 22-23 November 2010, Basel, Switzerland. 14-15 February 2011, Vienna, Austria. 10-11 May 2011, Milan, Italy (after ECCMID). 11-12 July 2011, Stockholm, Sweden. 5-6 September 2011, Munich, Germany.

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