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 Canton  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
Dr Martin Steinbakk  MS  NWGA  Norway

Apologies
Prof Claude-James Soussy  CS  CA-SFM  France
Prof Arne Rodloff  AR  DIN  Germany
EMA (for 5 July)
Dr Marco Cavaleri  MC
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 H. pylori 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 Helicobacter will be sent to the European Helicobacter study group.
Proposed breakpoints for C. difficile will be sent to the European C. difficile study group.
Work is underway for Campylobacter, Legionella, P. multocida, B. cepacia, rapidly growing mycobacteria and Listeria. Nocardia and Corynebacterium 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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