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Centre for Health Technology Evaluation

# Highly Specialised Technologies Evaluation Committee (HSTEC) meeting minutes

**Minutes:** Confirmed

**Date:** Thursday 8 June 2023

**Location:** Via Zoom

## Attendees

Committee members present

1. Dr Peter Jackson (Vice Chair) Present for all items
2. Dr Paul Arundel (Chair) Present for all items
3. Annett Blochberger Present for all items
4. Emtiyaz Chowdhury Present for all items
5. Sarah Davis Present for all items
6. Carrie Gardner Present for all items
7. Tina Garvey Present for all items
8. Professor Jonathan Ives Present for all items
9. Stuart Mealing Present for all items
10. Sara Payne Present for all items
11. Angharad Shambler Present for all items
12. Professor Ed Wilson Present for all items

NICE staff (key players) present

Jasdeep Hayre, Associate Director Present for all items

Celia Mayers, Project Manager Present for all items

Christian Griffiths, Health Technology Assessment Adviser Present for all items

Samuel Slayen, Health Technology Assessment Analyst Present for all items

Jacoline Bouvy, Programme Director Present for all items

External assessment group representatives present

Professor Matt Stevenson, University of Sheffield ScHARR Items 1 to 4.1.3

Clinical, Patient & NHS England experts present

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| Claire Mather, Director of Member Services - patient expert, nominated by DEBRA | Items 1 to 4.1.3 |
| James Hinchcliffe, Volunteer Member - patient expert, nominated by DEBRA | Items 4.1.3 to 4.1.3 |
| Margaret Hinchcliffe, Supporting James Hinchcliffe | Items 1 to 4.1.3 |
| Anna Martinez, Consultant – clinical expert, nominated by British Association of Dermatologists | Items 1 to 4.1.3 |
| Jemima Mellerio, Consultant Dermatologist – clinical expert, nominated by Amryt (company) | Items 1 to 4.1.3 |
| Dr Ayesha Ali, Medical Advisor, Highly Specialised Services – NHS Commissioning expert, nominated by NHS England | Items 1 to 4.1.3 |

*Please note that alongside the attendees listed in this document, there were additional NICE Staff present in this meeting. These attendees were not involved in the decision making or discussions.*

## Minutes

### Introduction to the meeting

* 1. The chair, Dr Paul Arundel, welcomed members of the committee and other attendees present to the meeting.
  2. The chair noted apologies from Professor Philip Beales, Dr Shehla Mohammed and Anthony Williams.

### News and announcements

* 1. None.

### Minutes from the last meeting

* 1. The committee approved the minutes of the committee meeting held on Wednesday 10 May 2023

### Evaluation of birch bark extract for treating skin wounds associated with dystrophic and junctional epidermolysis bullosa [ID1505]

* 1. Part 1 – Open session
     1. The chair welcomed the invited experts, external assessment group representatives, members of the public and company representatives from Amryt Pharmaceuticals.
     2. The chair asked all committee members and experts, external assessment group representatives and NICE staff present to declare any relevant interests in relation to the item being considered. Declarations for this appraisal can be found on the Topic Register of Interest (TROI) on the topic webpage, [here](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/indevelopment/gid-ta10654/documents).
     3. The Chair led a discussion of the evidence presented to the committee. This information was presented to the committee by Sara Payne, Annett Blochberger and Emtiyaz Chowdhury.
  2. Part 2 – Closed session (company representatives, clinical and patient experts, external assessment group representatives and members of the public were asked to leave the meeting)
     1. The committee then agreed to request additional analysis from the company.
* Further updates will be available on the topic webpage in due course: <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/indevelopment/gid-ta10654>

### Date of the next meeting

The next meeting of the Highly Specialised Technologies Evaluation Committee (HSTEC) will be held on Thursday 13 July 2023 and will start promptly at 9:30am.