

Safe Medicines for Animals-regulatory training (SMArt): Annual Report and Accounts 2023- 2024

A. Charity details.

1.Registered as a CIO-Foundation November 1st 2019.

2.Charity number- 1186100.

3.Trustees and secretary:

a. Professor A. R. Peters (Chair from 18/4/23).

b. Professor S.P. Borriello CB.

c. Dr. L.W. Muraguri.

d. Mr. D. Corner.

4.Bank:

The Co-operative bank (Community Directplus Account established 11/05/21).

Co-Operative Bank plc., PO Box 50, Skelmersdale, WN8 6YL.

5. Structure, Governance and Management.

The charity is established as a Foundation model Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), whose only voting members are the charity trustees (see A3 a-e above).

B. Charitable Purpose.

The preservation and protection of public health and the prevention of suffering of animals by the provision of education and training in the safe and effective use of veterinary medicines for the agricultural community in developing nations, so that dangerous substances do not enter the food chain and in the process endanger the health of both humans and animals.

C. Charitable Objectives.

To be a global partner for low- and middle-income countries in the provision of education, development and training for the safe, responsible and effective use of veterinary medicines and its subsequent benefit to environmental, animal and human welfare, and economic development.

D. Lay Description.

Just like people, animals can become ill and require treatment with medicines. These animals include working and companion animals, and animals raised as livestock (including bees and farmed fish), zoo/safari animals, and on occasion, wild animals. Also, as in people, medicines have to be specifically developed, doses recommended, and then be authorised by an independent Government body (a medicines regulator) to ensure they will work as expected, be safe to the animals, people who eat meat and dairy produce, and to the environment (as some will be excreted by the animal). This regulatory process is very exacting. Once medicines are marketed there also has to be a process to monitor for adverse events (side-effects or failure to work properly), and

processes to inspect the manufacturers, and the distribution chain, of the medicines. The charity is dedicated to ensuring the availability of support, training and improved processes to those countries where the regulatory processes are not yet fully mature.

E. Activities of the Charity.

In continuing with our aim of maximising co-ordination of stakeholders an inventory of activities being undertaken in sub-Saharan Africa on improving Veterinary Medicines Regulation was updated, as was the global directory of veterinary medicines regulatory bodies (www.smart-org.uk). The Charity developed the veterinary components of the Royal Society hosted meeting on Vaccines and Microbial resistance-from Science to Policy (April 2024). In its review of risks the trustees identified absence of funds and the continuing lack of administrative support. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation decided to continue funding of improvement of veterinary Medicines regulation in sub-Saharan Africa through the charity GalvMed, instead of using the Veterinary Medicines Directorate as Principal Investigator, thereby removing the need for SMART to be a holder of funds. A consideration now for SMART is to consider change of charitable status to reflect better the likely sums of funds it may be able to secure.

F. Statement of Financial Activities and Balance Sheet.

(i) The charity did not receive any funding for the reporting period.

(ii)The charity had no expenditure for the reporting period.

(iv)There is no entitled/certain to receive income for 2/5/23-1/5/244

(v)There were no trustee remunerations or related party transactions. Trustee meetings were either virtual or, when face –to-face, arranged for occasions when trustees were in the same locality for another primary purpose.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2/5/23.

	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21
1. Incoming Resources				
1.1 Donations	£0	£0	£530	-
1.2 Other	£0	£0	-	
Total	£0	£0	£530	-
2.Resources Expended	£0	£0	-	-
3. Reconciliation of Funds				

3.1 Funds brought forward	£530	£530	-	-
4. Total Funds Carried Forward	£530	£530	£530	-

BALANCE SHEET AS OF 2/5/23

	2023-24	2022-23	202122	2020-2`1
1. Fixed Assets	-	-	-	-
2. Current Assets				
2.1 Cash in bank	£530	£530	£530	-
3. Total Assets	£530	£530	£530	-

G. This report was prepared by Professor S. P. Borriello CB (trustee).

