

Psilocybin Advisory Board Research Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes

May 20, 2021

Research Subcommittee Members (box checked if in attendance):

- 1) Todd Korthuis
- 2) Atheir Abbas
- 3) Rachel Knox
- 4) Tom Jeanne
- 5) Ali Hamade
- 6) Jessie Uehling
- 7) Christopher Stauffer
- 8) Angela Carter

1. Review/approval of minutes (5 min)

Dr. Abbas reviewed last week's minutes and the group approved them.

2. Discussion of topics and potential speakers for future RSC presentations (10 min)

Dr. Del Potter – need to circulate his resume/conflicts of interest/and expertise – Nic Riley will check for info and circulate to subcommittee for discussion next week.

Other individuals who could contribute were mentioned with plan to circulate information soon.

3. Review of spreadsheet and progress on initial literature review (30 min)

Dr. Abbas reviewed a few example entries to illustrate lit filtering, classification and summary. The group discussed what to do with citations that turn out to be more relevant to a different key question. Plan is to move them to the bottom of the appropriate key question.

Dr. Uehling expressed concern about reference management. Dr. Stauffer noted that Zotero could be used to cite our summary document and generate a complete list of citations that the subcommittee gathered. This was satisfactory to Dr. Uehling and the rest of the group.

The group also discussed what to do with less rigorous study types such as case reports. Dr. Uehling expressed concern about including low rigor studies that are difficult to interpret with respect to the role of psilocybin – for example adverse event case reports in individuals intoxicated with multiple substances and/or who have substantial medical co-morbidities. Dr. Abbas argued for the utility of reviewing these studies while acknowledging that they may be of limited utility. The group agreed to include these studies with that caveat.

Dr. Carter expressed concern about KQ3's dependence on safety information. After discussion, her plan is to also use gathered safety information to inform KQ3-related drafts.

4. Discussion of tasks for next week's meeting (15 min)

Group discussed the plan to complete lit filtering, classification, and summary for next week's meeting.