



**Meeting:** Bovine TB Stakeholder Forum SWG– Meeting 5  
**Date:** 03 March 2021  
**Time:** 14.00 – 16.00  
**Location:** Virtual Meeting

### Attendees

**Chair:**

John Griffin, Chair Scientific Working Group.

**Working Group Members:**

Eamonn Gormley, UCD;; Stephen Gordon, UCD; Siobhán Ring, ICBF; Fraser Menzies, DAERA

**Chairman TB Forum**

Michael Cronin;

**Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine:**

Jimmy Wiseman, DAFM Laboratory Service; Philip Breslin, Ruminant Animal Health Division

**Apologies:**

Simon More, CVERA; Catherine McAloon, UCD;

Please note that all non-DAFM attendees are members of the working group as private individuals and do not represent their associated organisations.

### Minutes

Item	
Introduction by Chairman John Griffin.	The Chair introduced the meeting and the agenda items.

Item	
Microsoft Document Management Tool	Philip Breslin advised the members that the document management tool was ready and that they would be invited to connect by DAFM IT services

Item	
Research Opinion	The chairman outlined the proposed methodology (based on CHNRI methodology) to analyse the options for ERAD research priorities. These were adopted by the group to include answerability, effectiveness and deliverability, Maximum potential for disease burden reduction and effect on equity. It was agreed that stakeholders would be invited to submit a list of research

	questions that they believe should be prioritised. DAFM would provide a list of stakeholders for consultation.
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Item	
WGS Opinion	It was agreed that whole genome sequencing has variable applications on the individual case level. Additionally, members emphasised that source, directionality and management of expectations were critical.

Item	
AOB	It was decided that, in order to manage workload, the research opinion would take priority and that the Chair would consult with Eoin Ryan about postponing the work on the whole genome sequencing for a short time.

Item	
Date of Next Meeting	The next meeting will take place on the 4 <sup>th</sup> of April

### Action Points

1	All members to contribute to the research priorities scientific opinion.
2	Philip Breslin to draw up a list of current scientific collaborators
3	John Griffin to contact potential contributors and stakeholders to canvass opinion on research priorities.
4	DAFM IT to contact all members re connection to document sharing
5	DAFM to set up next meeting link