Sponsor Approval of Dose Escalation

1. Purpose

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To outline the Office of Sponsor and Regulatory Oversight (OSRO) Sponsor approval process for dose escalation in protocols whose design includes dose escalation.

2. Scope

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2.1.1. Protocols developed by the Center for Cancer Research (CCR) investigators, with a dose escalation design, sponsored by CCR and overseen by OSRO are within scope.

3. Responsibilities

- 3.1. Principle Investigators are responsible for preparing a dose escalation report to justify a change in dosage.
- 3.2. OSRO approves dose change requests.
- 3.3. OSRO Sponsor and Regulatory Oversight Support (SROS) Contractor staff assist OSRO as needed.

4. References

4.1. 303 Interim Analysis Reporting Policy

5. Definitions

Refer to the OSRO Lexicon.

6. Procedure

- 6.1. Requirements for changing the investigational agent dosage.
 - 6.1.1. The protocol must include a dose escalation scheme for the investigational agent.
 - 6.1.2. Adverse events recorded up to the cut-off date must be provided.
 - 6.1.3. Dose escalation criteria must be met.
 - 6.1.3.1. The number of events contributing towards the criterion is typically the number of participants meeting the Dose Limiting Toxicity (DLT).
- 6.2. The Principle Investigator (PI) must provide a dose escalation report utilizing F01-303-S01 Dose Escalation Determination or equivalent report that includes all the items outlined in F01-303-S01 Dose Escalation Determination and submit it to OSRO Safety, <u>NCIORSOSafety@mail.nih.gov</u>.
- 6.3. OSRO reviews the submitted F01-303-S01 Dose Escalation Determination or equivalent report to determine if the current dose may be changed to the next protocol-defined level.

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- 6.3.1. The decision is documented on F02-303-S01 Dose Escalation Decision Communication and emailed to the PI.
 - 6.3.1.1. If the request is denied, then an explanation and the information required to reevaluate the decision are provided.

7. Associated Documents

- 7.1. F01-303-S01 Dose Escalation Determination
- 7.2. F02-303-S01 Dose Escalation Decision Communication

8. Change Summary

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