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1 Introduction

The following table provides the vocabulary for NDA responses to NDA Research Board Position Paper recommendations. NDA responses to recommendations made by NDA research Board in specific postion papers can be found on the NDA website <u>www.gov.uk/nda</u>.

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2 NDA Vocabulary for Responses to NDA Research Board Recommendations

The table below provides the vocabulary for NDA responses to NDA Research Board position paper recommendations

NDA Response to Recommendation	Interpretation of the NDA Response
Agreed	NDA fully agrees that the recommended R&D work is needed. The NDA does not currently have this work in its R&D programme but it commits to introducing work in response to the proposal.
Accepted	NDA accepts that the work proposed in the recommendation is needed, but already has work in the R&D programme that addresses or partly addresses this issue. NDA accepts the need to review the currently associated work to identify the scope of any additions that are needed.
Noted	NDA notes that the recommendation is an interesting idea/proposal, but it requires more thought before it is incorporated it into the R&D programme. For example, it may need further development and review against other priorities.
Not Accepted	NDA does not agree with this proposal. NDA does not believe that this would add value to the R&D programme.

Table 1: Vocabulary for NDA responses to NDA Research Board Position Paper Recommendations