PARLIMENTARY INQUIRY QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

AstraZeneca

Senate Select Committee on COVID-19

Question Subject: How soon will upgraded versions of the AstraZeneca vaccine come to market?

Question asked by Senator Rachel Siewert 29/01/21

Response:

Scientists around the world, including ourselves and the University of Oxford are closely monitoring for new variants of coronavirus and are carefully assessing the impact of them on vaccine effectiveness. At this stage we do not have evidence to suggest that our vaccine will not be effective against new variants of concern.

As such it is not possible to provide a timepoint for when an upgraded version of the AstraZeneca vaccine will come to market.