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**MINUTES OF THE 17<sup>th</sup> PLENARY MEETING  
OF THE SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON  
FOOD ADDITIVES AND NUTRIENT SOURCES  
ADDED TO FOOD (ANS)**

**Held in Parma on 24 September 2010**

**(Web conference)**

**Adopted on 5 October 2010 at the 18<sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting**

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Panel Members:

Fernando Aguilar, John Christian Larsen (Chair), Pierre Galtier, John Gilbert, David Gott, Rainer Gürtler, Jürgen König, Claude Lambré, Alicja Mortensen, Dominique Parent-Massin, Iona Pratt (Vice-Chair), Ivonne Rietjens (Vice-Chair), Ivan Stankovic, Tatjana Verguieva, Ruud Woutersen.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were noted from Birgit Dusemund, Sandro Grilli, Jean-Charles Leblanc and Paul Tobback

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Ana Maria Rincon, Hugues Kenigswald, Federica Lodi and Majlinda Lahaniatis (scientific staff) – Anna Campanini (administrative staff).

**1. WELCOME; APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

The Chair welcomed all those present to the meeting. Apologies for absence were noted.

The Chair of the Panel informed the participants that during the last Advisory Forum meeting in Malta, 22-23 September 2010, the work carried out by the ANS Panel was presented. A very positive feedback and acknowledgment of the work done by the Panel was received from the AF Members.

**2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

The Chair proposed to add a new item in the Agenda of this meeting regarding the specifications of Canthaxanthin. The draft agenda was adopted by the participants as proposed.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest (ADoI) and Specific Declaration of interest (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the beginning of this meeting.

#### **4. E161G CANTHAXANTHIN (EFSA-Q-2008-249)**

The Rapporteur summarised the latest changes carried out in the draft document. Proposed revisions based on the comments provided by the Panel Members were noted. Subject to these revisions the draft document will be scheduled for discussion in a forthcoming ANS Panel Plenary meeting.

##### **4.1. Specifications**

The rapporteur introduced the changes carried out recently on the “Specifications” chapter. Some proposals for further revisions were discussed. No further changes regarding the content of this section were suggested.

- Exposure

The exposure assessment section of the draft document was introduced by one of the experts of the ANS Working Group on Exposure Assessment. Proposed revisions based on the comments provided by the Panel members were noted. Subject to these revisions the draft document will be scheduled for discussion in a forthcoming meeting of the Working Group on Exposure Assessment (28<sup>th</sup> September 2010).

##### **4.2. Absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion (ADME)**

The draft ADME section of the document was discussed. Further clarifications and improvements were suggested.

##### **4.3. Revisions to chronic toxicity and carcinogenicity section**

The draft section of the document on chronic toxicity and carcinogenicity was discussed. Further clarifications and improvements were suggested.

##### **4.4. Discussion and proposal of endpoint(s) to be used to derive ADI**

The draft discussion section of the document was discussed. Further clarifications and improvements were suggested.

##### **4.5. Revisions to discussion and conclusions sections**

Except for the item indicated under 4.5. due to lack of time this item was not further discussed.

#### **5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Some issues regarding the work plan of the different Working Groups of the ANS Panel were discussed.

## **NEXT MEETINGS**

The next ANS Panel Plenary meetings will take place on the following dates:

5 - 7 October 2010

9- 10 November 2010

7 - 9 December 2010

1 - 3 February 2011

12 - 14 April 2011

24 - 26 May 2011

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6 - 8 December 2011