



# SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN/CONTAM

## MINUTES OF THE 11<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON OCHTRATOXIN IN FOOD

**18 March 2020 TELECONFERENCE**

**(Agreed on 25 March 2020)**

### Participants

- Working Group Members:
  - Margherita Bignami (Chair)
  - Kevin Chipman (Vice-chair)
  - Angela Mally
  - Jan Alexander
  - Jean-Charles Leblanc
  - Chiara Dall'Asta
- Hearing Experts<sup>1</sup>:
  - Not applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
  - Not applicable
- EFSA: BIOCONTAM Unit: Hans Steinkellner; DATA Unit: Zsuzsanna Horvath
- Others:
  - Not Applicable

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



## 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Manfred Metzler.

## 2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## 3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence<sup>2</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management<sup>3</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

## 4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

### **Risk assessment of ochratoxin A in food (EFSA-Q-2018-00699<sup>4</sup>) and Technical report on the Public Consultation on the risk assessment of ochratoxin A in food (EFSA-Q-2019-00163)<sup>5</sup>**

The experts discussed the changes made in the draft opinion, in particular the additional text on human biomarkers, the revised text in the occurrence and exposures sections, the updated section on occurrence in the public literature and the new section on the effects of food processing. Then the responses to the comments received during the public consultation were discussed, in particular those regarding occurrence and exposure. Both documents were amended according to the discussions. The Chair of the WG agreed that the opinion should be tabled for adoption and the report for endorsement at the next CONTAM Plenary 31 March – 2 April.

## 5. Any Other Business

Not applicable.

## 6. Next meetings

Not applicable

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<sup>3</sup> [http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate\\_publications/files/competing\\_interest\\_management\\_17.pdf](http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf)

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<sup>5</sup> <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/wicket/page?5>



# SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN/CONTAM

## MINUTES OF THE 10<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON OCHTRATOXIN IN FOOD

**17 -18 February 2020**

**(Agreed on 18 February 2020)**

### Participants

- Working Group Members:
  - Margherita Bignami (Chair)
  - Kevin Chipman (Vice-chair)
  - Angela Mally
  - Jan Alexander
  - Manfred Metzler
  - Jean-Charles Leblanc
  - Chiara Dall'Asta
- Hearing Experts<sup>1</sup>:
  - Not applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
  - Frans Verstraete
- EFSA:

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



BIOCONTAM Unit: Hans Steinkellner, Marco Binaglia

DATA Unit: Zsuzsanna Horvath

- Others:  
Not Applicable

## 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

## 2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## 3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence<sup>2</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management<sup>3</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

## 4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

**Draft opinion on the scientific opinion on opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of ochratoxin A in food (EFSA-Q-2018-00699<sup>4</sup>) and Technical report on the Public Consultation (EFSA-Q-2019-00163)<sup>5</sup>**

The experts discussed the comments received during the public consultation that was held 4 December 2019 to 24 January 2020 and drafted responses to all comments. These will be published in form of a Technical Report together with the opinion once adopted. The draft opinion was revised according to comments received, wherever appropriate.

## 5. Any Other Business

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Not applicable.

## 6. Next meetings

18 March 2020 (teleconference)



# SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN/CONTAM

## MINUTES OF THE 9<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON OCHTRATOXIN IN FOOD

**23 October 2019 - Teleconference**

**(Agreed on 29 October 2019)**

### Participants

- Working Group Members:
  - Margherita Bignami (Chair)
  - Kevin Chipman (Vice-chair)
  - Angela Mally
  - Jan Alexander
  - Manfred Metzler
  - Jean-Charles Leblanc
  - Chiara Dall'Asta
- Hearing Experts<sup>1</sup>:
  - Not applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
  - Not applicable
- EFSA:

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



BIOCONTAM Unit: Hans Steinkellner, Marco Binaglia

DATA Unit: Zsuzsanna Horvath, Davide Arcella

■ Others:

Not Applicable

## 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

## 2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## 3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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## 4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

### **Draft opinion on the scientific opinion on opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of ochratoxin A in food (EFSA-Q-2018-00699<sup>4</sup>)**

The experts first discussed the revised section on exposure assessment of breastfed infants. Then conclusions, recommendations and the abstract were discussed. Finally, the WG reviewed the remainder of the opinion in particular the updates taking into account the amendments requested by the CONTAM Panel. A series of amendments were agreed. The Chair of the WG agreed that the opinion should be sent for possible endorsement for public consultation to the CONTAM Panel at their 101<sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting.

## 5. Any Other Business

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Not applicable.

## 6. Next meetings

To be determined.





# SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN/CONTAM

## MINUTES OF THE 8<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON OCHTRATOXIN IN FOOD

**16-17 September 2019**

**(Agreed on 25 September 2019)**

### Participants

- Working Group Members:  
Margherita Bignami (Chair)  
Kevin Chipman (Vice-chair)  
Angela Mally  
Jan Alexander  
Manfred Metzler  
Jean-Charles Leblanc\*
- Hearing Experts<sup>1</sup>:  
Not applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:  
Not applicable
- EFSA:

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



BIOCONTAM Unit: Hans Steinkellner

- Others:  
Not Applicable

\*Via teleconference

## 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Chiara Dall'Asta.

## 2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## 3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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## 4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

### **Draft opinion on the scientific opinion on opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of ochratoxin A in food (EFSA-Q-2018-00699<sup>4</sup>)**

The experts discussed the entire draft text of the opinion, in particular new sections on identification of critical effects, derivation of health-based guidance values, risk characterisation, conclusions and recommendations, summary and abstract. A series of amendments were made. The chair of the WG agreed that the opinion should be sent for possible endorsement for public consultation to the CONTAM Panel at their 100<sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting.

## 5. Any Other Business

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Not applicable.

## **6. Next meetings**

To be determined.



# SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN/CONTAM

## MINUTES OF THE 7<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON OCHTRATOXIN IN FOOD

**25-26 June 2019**

**(Agreed on 8 July 2019)**

### Participants

- Working Group Members:  
Margherita Bignami (Chair)  
Kevin Chipman (Vice-chair)  
Angela Mally  
Chiara Dall'Asta  
Jan Alexander\*  
Manfred Metzler  
Jean-Charles Leblanc\*
- Hearing Experts<sup>1</sup>:  
Not applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:  
Not applicable

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



- EFSA:  
BIOCONTAM Unit: Hans Steinkellner  
DATA Unit: Zsuzsanna Horvath
- Others:  
Not Applicable

## 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

## 2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## 3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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## 4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

### **Draft opinion on the scientific opinion on opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of ochratoxin A in food (EFSA-Q-2018-00699<sup>4</sup>)**

The experts discussed the draft text on occurrence and exposure and several amendments were agreed. The section on exposure to human milk was also agreed. Then the experts discussed the advice received from the SC WG on cross-cutting issues on genotoxicity and the repercussions for the hazard assessment. Sections on chemistry, analytical methods, previous assessments, toxicokinetics and toxicology were briefly discussed and agreed. Further tasks were allocated to the WG members.

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## 5. Any Other Business

Not applicable.

## 6. Next meetings

16-17 September 2019

22-23 October 2019



# SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN/CONTAM

## MINUTES OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON OCHTRATOXIN IN FOOD

**7-8 May 2019**

**(Agreed on 8 May 2019)**

### Participants

- Working Group Members:  
Margherita Bignami (Chair)  
Kevin Chipman (Vice-chair)  
Angela Mally  
Chiara Dall'Asta  
Jan Alexander  
Manfred Metzler
- Hearing Experts<sup>1</sup>:  
Not applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:  
Not applicable
- EFSA:

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



BIOCONTAM Unit: Hans Steinkellner

DATA Unit: Zsuzsanna Horvath, Davide Arcella

■ Others:

Not Applicable

## 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

## 2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## 3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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## 4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

### **Draft opinion on the scientific opinion on opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of ochratoxin A in food (EFSA-Q-2018-00699<sup>4</sup>)**

The experts discussed the sections on occurrence, exposure, toxicokinetics, toxicity and biomarkers. Tasks were allocated to the different WG members.

## 5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

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## 6. Next meetings

25-26 June 2019

16-17 September 2019



# SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN/CONTAM

## MINUTES OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON OCHTRATOXIN IN FOOD

**3-4 April 2019**

**(Agreed on 4 April 2019)**

### Participants

- Working Group Members:  
Margherita Bignami (Chair)  
Kevin Chipman (Vice-chair)  
Angela Mally  
Chiara Dall'Asta  
Jan Alexander
- Hearing Experts<sup>1</sup>:  
Not applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:  
Not applicable
- EFSA:  
BIOCONTAM Unit: Hans Steinkellner

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



DATA Unit: Zsuzsanna Horvath

- Others:  
Not Applicable

## 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Manfred Metzler.

## 2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## 3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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## 4. Agreement of the minutes of the 4th Working Group meeting held on 20-21 Feb 2019, Parma.

The minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> Working Group meeting were agreed on 28 February 2019<sup>4</sup>.

## 5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

### **Draft opinion on the scientific opinion on opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of ochratoxin A in food (EFSA-Q-2018-00699<sup>5</sup>)**

The experts discussed a draft letter with questions for the EFSA Gentox SWG that should be forwarded to this SWG after the meeting. The experts discussed also the first results for the

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occurrence and exposure section and the text on previous exposure. Furthermore they discussed the toxicity section. Tasks were allocated to the different WG members.

## **6. Any Other Business**

Not Applicable

## **7. Next meetings**

7-8 May 2019

25-26 June 2019

BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS AND CONTAMINANTS UNIT

## Scientific Panel on Contaminants in the Food Chain

### Minutes of the 4th meeting of the Working Group on ochratoxin A in food - teleconference

**held on 27-28 February 2019**

**(Agreed 28 February 2019)**

#### **Participants**

- **Working Group Members:**

Margherita Bignami (chair)

Kevin Chipman (vice-chair)

Angela Mally

Chiara Dall'Asta\*

Manfred Metzler

Jan Alexander

- **Hearing Experts:**

Not applicable

- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Not applicable

- **EFSA:**

Biological hazards and contaminants unit: Hans Steinkellner

- **Others:**

Not applicable

#### **1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Jean-Charles Leblanc.

## **2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## **3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members**

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## **4. Scientific topic for discussion**

### **4.1. Draft opinion on the scientific opinion on opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of ochratoxin A in food (EFSA-Q-2018-00699<sup>3</sup>)**

The WG members discussed the draft text on sections on mode of action, toxicokinetics and toxicity. Tasks were allocated to the different WG members.

## **5. Any Other Business**

Not applicable

## **6. Next meeting**

3-4 April 2019

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BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS AND CONTAMINANTS UNIT

## Scientific Panel on Contaminants in the Food Chain

### Minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Working Group on ochratoxin A in food

held on 15-16 January 2019

(Agreed 16 January 2019)

#### Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Margherita Bignami (chair)

Kevin Chipman (vice-chair)

Angela Mally\*

Chiara Dall'Asta

Jean-Charles Leblanc\*

Manfred Metzler

Jan Alexander\*

- **Hearing Experts:**

Not applicable

- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Frans Verstraete\*\*

- **EFSA:**

Biological hazards and contaminants unit: Hans Steinkellner

DATA unit: Zsuzsanna Horvath and Davide Arcella

- **Others:**

Not applicable

\*Participated via teleconference

\*\*Participated via teleconference on the second day p.m.

## **1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants.

## **2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## **3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence<sup>1</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management<sup>2</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

## **4. Scientific topic for discussion**

### **4.1. Draft opinion on the scientific opinion on opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of ochratoxin A in food (EFSA-Q-2018-00699<sup>3</sup>)**

The WG members discussed the draft text on sections on chemistry, analytical methods, toxicokinetics, toxicity and mode of action. Tasks were allocated to the different WG members.

## **5. Any Other Business**

Not applicable

## **6. Next meeting**

27-28 February 2019

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BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS AND CONTAMINANTS UNIT

## Scientific Panel on Contaminants in the Food Chain

### Minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Working Group on ochratoxin A in food

**held on 29-30 November 2018**

**(Agreed 30 November 2018)**

#### **Participants**

- **Working Group Members:**

Margherita Bignami (chair)

Kevin Chipman (vice-chair)

Angela Mally\*

Chiara Dall'Asta\*\*

Jean-Charles Leblanc

Manfred Metzler\*

- **Hearing Experts:**

Not applicable

- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Not applicable

- **EFSA:**

Biological hazards and contaminants unit: Hans Steinkellner

DATA unit: Zsuzsanna Horvath

- **Others:**

Not applicable

\*participated via teleconference

\*\* participated via teleconference on the first day in the morning

#### **1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Jan Alexander.

## **2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## **3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members**

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## **4. Scientific topic for discussion**

### **4.1. Draft opinion on the scientific opinion on opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of ochratoxin A in food (EFSA-Q-2018-00699<sup>3</sup>)**

The WG members discussed the draft text on sections on chemistry, analytical methods, toxicokinetics, toxicity and mode of action. Tasks were allocated to the different WG members.

## **5. Any Other Business**

Not applicable

## **6. Next meeting**

15-16 January 2019

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BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS AND CONTAMINANTS UNIT

## Scientific Panel on Contaminants in the Food Chain

### Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Working Group on ochratoxin A in food

held on 22 October 2018, TELECONFERENCE

(Agreed 22 Oct 2018)

#### Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Margherita Bignami (chair)  
Kevin Chipman (vice-chair)  
Jan Alexander  
Angela Mally  
Chiara Dall'Asta  
Jean-Charles Leblanc  
Manfred Metzler

- **Hearing Experts:**

Not applicable

- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Frans Verstraete

- **EFSA:**

Biological hazards and contaminants unit: Hans Steinkellner  
DATA unit: Zsuzsanna Horvath

- **Others:**

Not applicable

#### 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. The participants introduced themselves.

## **2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## **3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence<sup>1</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management<sup>2</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

## **4. Scientific topic for discussion**

### **4.1. Draft opinion on the scientific opinion on opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of ochratoxin A in food (EFSA-Q-2018-00699<sup>3</sup>)**

The WG members discussed the terms of reference of the opinion the literature to be retrieved and the draft structure of the opinion. Tasks were allocated to the different WG members.

## **5. Any Other Business**

Not applicable

## **6. Next meeting**

29-30 November 2018

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