



BIOCONTAM UNIT

# 150<sup>TH</sup> PLENARY MEETING OF THE SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS

Meeting date:	<b>08-09 December 2021</b>
Meeting hours:	<b>09.00-17.30 (08 Dec 2021)</b> <b>09.00-17.30 (09 Dec 2021)</b>
Meeting venue:	<b>AUDIO-WEB Conference</b>
Chair:	<b><i>Prof. Kostas Koutsoumanis</i></b>

## Agenda

No.	Topic
1.	Welcome and Apologies for absence
2.	Adoption of the agenda
3.	Declarations of Interest
4.	Agreement of the minutes the 149 <sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting held on 20 and 21 October 2021 by audio-web conference
5.	Scientific outputs submitted for discussion and possible adoption
5.1	Statement on the update of the list of QPS-recommended biological agents intentionally added to food or feed as notified to EFSA. 15: Suitability of taxonomic units notified to EFSA until September 2021 (EFSA-Q-2020-00080)
6.	Scientific outputs submitted for discussion
6.1	Scientific opinion on the update of the list of QPS-recommended biological agents intentionally added to food or feeds as notified to EFSA (EFSA-Q-2020-00083)
6.2	Scientific opinion on the efficacy and safety of high pressure processing of food (EFSA-Q-2020-00380)
6.3	Scientific opinion on the microbiological safety of aged meat (EFSA-Q-2020-00527)
6.4	Scientific opinion on microbiological hazards associated with the use of water in postharvest handling and processing operations of fresh and frozen fruits, vegetables and herbs (EFSA-Q-2021-00374)
6.5	Scientific opinion on the transmission of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) and zoonotic agents during animal transports (EFSA-Q-2021-00435)
6.6	Scientific opinion on the evaluation of the safety and efficacy of lactic acid to reduce microbiological surface contamination on carcasses from wild game and small stock (EFSA-Q-2020-00541)
7.	New Mandates

7.1	Application for an alternative processing method for category 3 rendered fats and used cooking oils (EFSA-Q-2021-00625)
8.	Feedback from the Scientific Committee/Scientific Panels, EFSA, the European Commission
8.1	Scientific Committee
8.2	European Commission
9.	Other topics for information and/or discussion
9.1	Implementation of the guidance on uncertainty analysis in scientific assessments
9.2	Topics of scientific concern in the area of biological hazards and BIOHAZ self-tasks (including draft self-task on the persistence of hazards in food-producing environments)
9.3	Presentation on the EU Summary Report on surveillance for the presence of transmissible spongiform encephalopathies in 2020
9.4	Update on the EU One Health 2020 Zoonoses Report
9.5	Update on the EMA expert groups on the designation of antimicrobials or groups of antimicrobials reserved for treatment of certain infections in humans, and on the establishment of a list of antimicrobials which shall not be used or which may be used subject to certain conditions
10.	Any Other Business