



UNIT ON FEED ADDITIVES AND CONTAMINANTS

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN / CONTAM

MINUTES OF THE 5th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON ACRYLAMIDE GENOTOXICITY

Tele-conference, 21 February 2022

(Agreed on 21 February 2022)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Diane Benford, Margherita Bignami, James Kevin Chipman
- Hearing Experts¹:
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- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Frans Verstraete (DG SANTE)
- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Luisa Ramos Bordajandi
- Others:
Not Applicable

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<https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/corporate/pub/expertselection>



1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The EFSA coordinator welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Federico Cruciani (EFSA).

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 Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, 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. Agreement of the minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the 4th Working Group meeting held on 7 February 2022 were agreed.⁴

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Statement on the genotoxicity of acrylamide (EFSA-Q-2021-00630)⁵

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the data available in the open literature on the genotoxicity of acrylamide and glycidamide, and the modes of action that may contribute to the neoplastic effects of acrylamide. The draft Statement was discussed and modified. The draft Statement will be presented for possible endorsement by the CONTAM Panel.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

⁴ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/2021-11/wg-minutes-acrylamide-genotoxicity.pdf>

⁵ <https://open.efsa.europa.eu/questions/EFSA-Q-2021-00630>



7. Next meeting(s)

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SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN / CONTAM

MINUTES OF THE 4th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON ACRYLAMIDE GENOTOXICITY

Tele-conference, 7 February 2022

(Agreed on 11 February 2022)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Diane Benford, Margherita Bignami, James Kevin Chipman
- Hearing Experts¹:
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- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
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2. Adoption of agenda

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the 3rd Working Group meeting held on 10 January 2022 were agreed.⁴

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Statement on the genotoxicity of acrylamide (EFSA-Q-2021-00630)⁵

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the data available in the open literature on the genotoxicity of acrylamide and glycidamide, and the modes of action that may contribute to the neoplastic effects of acrylamide. The draft Statement was discussed and modified. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

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7. Next meeting(s)

21 February 2022



BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS AND CONTAMINANTS UNIT

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN / CONTAM

MINUTES OF THE 3rd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON ACRYLAMIDE GENOTOXICITY

Tele-conference, 10 January 2022

(Agreed on 10 January 2022)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
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- Hearing Experts¹:
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- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
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4. Agreement of the minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the 2nd Working Group meeting held on 6 December 2021 were agreed.⁴

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Statement on the genotoxicity of acrylamide (EFSA-Q-2021-00630)⁵

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7. Next meeting(s)

7 February 2022



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SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN / CONTAM

MINUTES OF THE 2nd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON ACRYLAMIDE GENOTOXICITY

Tele-conference, 6 December 2021

(Agreed on 10 December 2021)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
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² Participated until 12.15 CET.



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4. Agreement of the minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the 1st Working Group meeting held on 5 November 2021 were agreed.⁵

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Statement on the genotoxicity of acrylamide (EFSA-Q-2021-00630)⁶

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the data available in the open literature on the genotoxicity of acrylamide and glycidamide, and the modes of action that may contribute to the neoplastic effects of acrylamide. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

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SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN / CONTAM

MINUTES OF THE 1st MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON ACRYLAMIDE GENOTOXICITY

Tele-conference, 5 November 2021

(Agreed on 5 November 2021)

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5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Statement on the genotoxicity of acrylamide (EFSA-Q-2021-00630)⁴

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the terms of reference of the mandate, the approach for the assessment and the work plan. The members also discussed the evidence available in the open literature on the genotoxicity of acrylamide. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

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