

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON
BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS**
164th Panel Plenary meeting



27-28 September 2023
09:00-17:30 / 09:00-15:30
DRAFT AGENDA

Location: Chalkidiki, Greece and Webconference

Chair: Kostas Koutsoumanis

No.	Item
1	Welcome and Apologies for absence
2	Adoption of the agenda
3	Declarations of interest
4	Agreement of the minutes of the 163rd Panel plenary meeting held on 12-13 July 2023
5	Scientific outputs submitted for adoption/endorsement
5.1	Statement on how to interpret the QPS qualification on 'acquired antimicrobial resistance genes' (EFSA-Q-2023-00096)
5.2	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 – part 1 (EFSA-Q-2021-00374)
5.3	Scientific report of EFSA on the evaluation of application of the Czech Republic to be recognised as having a negligible risk of classical scrapie (EFSA-Q-2023-00059)
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-2023-00054)
6.2	Statement on the update of the list of QPS-recommended biological agents intentionally added to food or feed as notified to EFSA. 19: Suitability of taxonomic units notified to EFSA until September 2023 (EFSA-Q-2021-00771)
6.3	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 – parts 2-5 (EFSA-Q-2023-00073, EFSA-Q-2023-00074, EFSA-Q-2023-00075 and EFSA-Q-2023-00076), including associated outsourcing activities (OC/EFSA/BIOCONTAM/2021/02)
6.4	Scientific opinion on the persistence of microbiological hazards in food and feed production and processing environments (EFSA-Q-2022-00217)
6.5	Scientific opinion on the public health aspects of <i>Vibrio</i> spp. related to the consumption of seafood in the EU (EFSA-Q-2022-00826)
6.6	Scientific report of EFSA on the impact of the proposed revised Australia's microbiological monitoring programme for beef and sheep meat exported to the EU (EFSA-Q-2023-00058)
6.7	Scientific opinion on a re-evaluation of certain aspects of the EFSA Scientific Opinion of April 2010 on risk assessment of parasites in fishery products, based on new scientific data (EFSA-Q-2023-00090)
6.8	Scientific opinion on the potential BSE risk posed by ruminant collagen and gelatine other than derived from hides and skins (EFSA-Q-2023-00105)
6.9	Application alternative method ECN tunnel composting (EFSA-Q-2023-00448)



7 New mandates

- 7.1 Request for a scientific opinion on the evaluation of the safety and efficacy of peroxyacetic acid (PAA) to reduce microbiological surface contamination on beef carcasses, half carcasses and quarter carcasses (EFSA-Q-2022-00626)

8 Feedback from the Scientific Committee, other Scientific Panels, EFSA and the European Commission

- 8.1 Scientific Committee
- 8.2 European Commission
- 8.3 Update on Rapid Outbreak Assessments and related activities

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 preparedness
- 9.3 Update on EFSA Guidance on protocol development for EFSA's scientific assessments
- 9.4 Information on EFSA CARBACAMP project (GP/EFSA/BIOHAW/2023/04)

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