23rd Working Group meeting on Characterisation

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14 October 2025 9:00-16:00 MINUTES - Agreed on 14 October 2025

Location: Webconference

Attendees:

o Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts¹:

Julien Parinet and Jürgen Gropp

Applicants participating in a technical hearing²:

Not Applicable

 \circ European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

o EFSA:

FEEDCO Unit: Orsolya Holczknecht, Maria Vittoria Vettori, Annette Bernhard, Petr Letocha, Fabiola Pizzo and Alberto Navarro Villa

I. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

II. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

III. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence³ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management⁴, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group (WG) members invited to the present meeting. No conflicts of interest related to the issues discussed in the meetings have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the Working Group members at the beginning of the meeting.

IV. Agreement of the minutes of the 22nd Working Group meeting held on 24 September 2025, via web-conference

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed at the end of the same meeting.

As defined in Article 34 of the document "Implementing Rule of the Management Board of the European Food Safety Authority laying down the rules on the selection, appointment and operations of the Scientific Committee, Scientific Panels and of their Working Groups": https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/paneloperation.pdf

² As defined in the "EFSA's Catalogue of support initiatives during the life cycle of applications for regulated products": https://efsa.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.2903/sp.efsa.2021.EN-6472

³ https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/independence-policy-2024.pdf

https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/decision-ed-on-competing-interest-management-2024.pdf

MEETING MINUTES - 14 October 2025 23rd Working Group meeting on Characterisation



V. Scientific topics for discussion

a. Draft opinion on Nicarb[®] (nicarbazin) for chickens for fattening [Article 10]. Applicant: Phibro Animal Health S.A. (EFSA-O-2019-00768)

The WG continued the discussion of the additional data received. Further discussion is needed to complete the assessment.

b. Avi-Carb (semduramicin 3% and nicarbazin 8%) for chickens for fattening [Art.4]. Applicant: Phibro Animal Health S.A. (EFSA-0-2024-00004)

The WG continued the discussion of the additional data received recently. Further discussion is needed to complete the assessment.

c. NICACOX® (nicarbazin) for chickens for fattening and chickens reared for laying [Article 4]. *Applicant: Huvepharma NV.* (EFSA-0-2021-00259)

The WG continued the discussion of the additional data received. Further discussion is needed to complete the assessment.

VI. Any Other Business

NA

VII. Next meeting

The next meeting date is to be confirmed.

22nd Working Group meeting on Characterisation



24 September 2025 14:00-18:00 MINUTES - Agreed on 24 September 2025

Location: Webconference

Attendees:

o Working Group Members: Georges Bories

Hearing Experts¹:

Julien Parinet

Applicants participating in a technical hearing²: Not Applicable

- European Commission and/or Member States representatives: Not Applicable
- o EFSA:

FEEDCO Unit: Orsolya Holczknecht, Maria Vittoria Vettori

Not Applicable

I. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

II. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

III. **Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members**

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IV. Agreement of the minutes of the 21st Working Group meeting held on 9 September 2025, via web-conference

The minutes of the previous meeting were already agreed at the end of the same meeting.

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https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate publications/files/independence-policy-2024.pdf

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MEETING MINUTES – 24 September 2025 22nd Working Group meeting on Characterisation



V. Scientific topics for discussion

a. Draft opinion on Nicarb[®] (nicarbazin) for chickens for fattening [Article 10]. Applicant: Phibro Animal Health S.A. (EFSA-O-2019-00768)

The WG continued the discussion of the additional data received. Further discussion is needed to complete the assessment.

b. Avi-Carb (semduramicin 3% and nicarbazin 8%) for chickens for fattening [Art.4]. Applicant: Phibro Animal Health S.A. (EFSA-0-2024-00004)

The WG continued the discussion of the additional data received recently. Further discussion is needed to complete the assessment.

c. NICACOX® (nicarbazin) for chickens for fattening and chickens reared for laying [Article 4]. *Applicant: Huvepharma NV.* (EFSA-0-2021-00259)

The WG continued the discussion of the additional data received. Further discussion is needed to complete the assessment.

VI. Any Other Business

NA

VII. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 14 October 2025 via web conference.

21st Working Group meeting on Characterisation



9 September 2025 9:30-13:30 MINUTES - Agreed on 9 September 2025

Location: Webconference

Attendees:

o Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund, Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

Applicants participating in a technical hearing²:

Not Applicable

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

o EFSA:

FEEDCO Unit: Orsolya Holczknecht, Fabiola Pizzo, Alberto Navarro, Joana Firmino.

Not Applicable

I. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

II. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted with changes. A new item has been added under point V.c.

III. **Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members**

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IV. Agreement of the minutes of the 20th Working Group meeting held on 14-15 July 2025, via web-conference

The minutes of the previous meeting were already agreed at the end of the same meeting.

As defined in Article 34 of the document "Implementing Rule of the Management Board of the European Food Safety Authority laying down the rules on

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https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate publications/files/independence-policy-2024.pdf during the life cycle of applications for regulated products":

 $[\]underline{\text{https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/decision-ed-on-competing-interest-management-2024.pdf}$

MEETING MINUTES – 9 September 2025 21st Working Group meeting on Characterisation



V. Scientific topics for discussion

a. Draft opinion on A molybdenum compound as nutritional additive for pollinator insects [Art.4]. Applicant: SATT Paris Saclay. (EFSA-0-2024-00007)

The WG discussed the additional data received.

b. Citranaxanthin (Lucantin CX® forte) for laying hens [Article 10]. Applicant: BASF SE. (EFSA-0-2015-00767)

The WG discussed the additional data received.

c. Draft opinion on Vitamin C in the form of ascorbic acid (3a300), sodium ascorbyl phosphate (3a311) and sodium calcium ascorbyl phosphate (3a312) as nutritional additives and in the form of ascorbic acid (3a300), sodium ascorbate (1b301), calcium ascorbate (1b302) and ascorbyl palmitate (1b304) as technological additives for all animal species [Article 14]. Applicant: DSM Nutritional Products Ltd. NHU Europe GmbH Orffa Additives B.V. (EFSA-Q-2024-00488)

The WG discussed the section on characterisation of the draft opinion.

VI. Any Other Business

NA

VII. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 24 September 2025 via web conference.

20th Working Group meeting on Characterisation



14-15 July 2025 9:00-11:00 / 09:30-13:30 MINUTES - Agreed on 15 July 2025

Location: Web-conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members¹:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund, Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts²:

Julien Parinet, Camilla Delpivo

Applicants participating in a technical hearing³:

Not Applicable

o European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

o EFSA:

FEEDCO Unit: Orsolya Holczknecht, Natasa Mikulic, Edgar Perez

Others:Not Applicable

Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

II. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

III. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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Georges Bories participated in the discussion of all agenda items. Maria Bastos, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos participated in the discussion of items IV.d, e, f.

As defined in Article 34 of the document "Implementing Rule of the Management Board of the European Food Safety Authority laying down the rules on the selection, appointment and operations of the Scientific Committee, Scientific Panels and of their Working Groups": https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/paneloperation.pdf Julien Parinet participated in the discussion of agenda items IV.a, b and c. Camilla Delpivo participated in the discussion of agenda items IV.d, e, f.

As defined in the "EFSA's Catalogue of support initiatives during the life cycle of applications for regulated products": https://efsa.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.2903/sp.efsa.2021.EN-6472

⁴ https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/independence-policy-2024.pdf

https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/decision-ed-on-competing-interest-management-2024.pdf



IV. Agreement of the minutes of the 19th Working Group meeting held on 29 April 2025, via web-conference

The minutes of the previous meeting were already agreed at the end of the same meeting.

V. Scientific topics for discussion

a. Draft opinion on Nicarb[®] (nicarbazin) for chickens for fattening [Article 10]. Applicant: Phibro Animal Health S.A. (EFSA-O-2019-00768)

The WG initiated the discussion of the additional data received. Further discussion is needed to complete the assessment.

b. Avi-Carb (semduramicin 3% and nicarbazin 8%) for chickens for fattening [Art.4]. *Applicant: Phibro Animal Health S.A.* (EFSA-O-2024-00004)

The WG initiated the discussion of the additional data received recently. Further discussion is needed to complete the assessment.

c. NICACOX® (nicarbazin) for chickens for fattening and chickens reared for laying [Article 4]. *Applicant: Huvepharma NV.* (<u>EFSA-Q-2021-00259</u>)

The WG initiated the discussion of the additional data received. Further discussion is needed to complete the assessment.

d. Cobalt compounds (cobalt(II) acetate tetrahydrate, cobalt(II) carbonate, cobalt(II) carbonate hydroxide (2:3) monohydrate and cobalt(II) sulphate heptahydrate) for ruminants with a functional rumen, equidae, lagomorphs, rodents, herbivore reptiles and zoo mammals [Art.4]. Applicant: Regal B.V. (EFSA-O-2022-00792)

The WG discussed the draft scientific opinion and in particular assessed the data regarding product characterisation.

e. Coated granulated cobalt (II) carbonate (EC ID 3b304) for ruminants with a functional rumen, equidae, lagomorphs, rodents, herbivore reptiles and zoo mammals [Art.13,14]. Applicant: DOX-AL Italia. (EFSA-0-2022-00745)

The WG discussed the draft scientific opinion and in particular assessed the data regarding product characterisation.

f. Interban® (10 % Narasin and 0.2 % Diclazuril) for poultry [Art. 4]. *Applicant: Elanco GmbH.* (EFSA-Q-2024-00004)

The WG discussed the draft scientific opinion and in particular assessed the data regarding product characterisation.

VI. Any Other Business

NA

VII. Next meeting

The next meeting date is to be confirmed.

19th Working Group meeting on Characterisation

29 April 2025 10:30-13:00 MINUTES -Agreed on 29 April 2025



Location: Web conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts¹:

Not applicable

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not applicable

EFSA:

FEEDCO Unit: Orsolya Holczknecht, Fabiola Pizzo, Jaume Galobart, Paola Manini and Nicole

Others: Not applicable

Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

Adoption of agenda II.

The agenda was adopted without changes.

Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members III.

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Scientific topics for discussion IV.

a. Draft opinion on Citranaxanthin (Lucantin CX® forte) for laying hens. Applicant: BASF SE (EFSA-Q-2015-00767)

The WG continued the discussion on the characterisation.

b. Draft opinion on L-isoleucine produced with produced by fermentation with C. glutamicum CCTCC M 2022764 for all animal species. Applicant: Innobio Europe B.V. (EFSA-Q-2024-00316)

The WG discussed the draft scientific opinion and in particular assessed the data regarding product characterisation and decided to contact the applicant on issues that require clarifications.

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

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c. Draft opinion on a molybdenum compound as nutritional additive for pollinator insects. *Applicant: SATT Paris Saclay* (EFSA-Q-2024-00007)

The WG discussed the draft scientific opinion and in particular assessed the data regarding product characterisation and decided to contact the applicant on issues that require clarifications.

V. Any Other Business

NA

VI. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 3 June 2025, via web conference.

18th Working Group meeting on Characterisation



25 March 2025 13:30-17:30 MINUTES – Agreed by written procedure on 7 April 2025

Location: Web conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts¹:

Camilla Delpivo, Paul Brantom, Carlo Nebbia and Ruud Woutersen²

- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not applicable
- o EFSA:

FEEDCO Unit: Orsolya Holczknecht, Jordi Ortuño Casanova, Maria Vittoria Vettori, Jaume Galobart, Natasa Mikulic, Joana Revez, Joana Firmino, Nicole Bozzi Cionci, Stefania Fusani and Jordi Tarrés-Call

FIP Unit: Ana Maria Rincon³

Others:Not applicable

Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

II. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

III. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence⁴ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management⁵, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group (WG) members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in these meetings have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

IV. Agreement of the minutes of the 18th Working Group meeting held on 25 March 2025, via web-conference

The minutes of the 18th Working Group meeting were agreed by written procedure on 7 April 2025.

V. Scientific topics for discussion

⁴ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

¹ As defined in Article 34 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

² Paul Brantom, Carlo Nebbia and Ruud Woutersen participated in agenda item IV.a.

³ Participated in agenda item IV.a.

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

MEETING MINUTES – 25 March 2025 18th Working Group meeting on Characterisation



a. Draft scientific opinion on E 551a silicic acid, precipitated and dried and E 551b colloidal silica for all animal species. *Applicant: Association of Synthetic Amorphous Silica Producers (ASASP)* (EFSA-0-2014-00887)

The WG continued the discussion on the draft scientific opinion and agreed that further discussion is needed.

b. Draft scientific opinion on Citranaxanthin (Lucantin CX® forte) for laying hens. Applicant: BASF SE (EFSA-Q-2015-00767)

The WG discussed the draft scientific opinion and in particular assessed the data regarding product characterisation and decided to contact the applicant on issues that require clarifications.

c. Draft scientific opinion on L-valine produced with *Corynebacterium glutamicum* KCCM 80365 for all animal species. *Applicant: CJ EUROPE GmbH* (EFSA-Q-2023-00439)

The WG discussed and agreed on some aspects of the characterisation of the additive.

d. Draft scientific opinion on L-valine produced with *Corynebacterium glutamicum* KCCM 80366 for all animal species. *Applicant: CJ EUROPE GmbH* (EFSA-Q-2023-00547)

The WG discussed and agreed on some aspects of the characterisation of the additive.

e. Draft scientific opinion on L-tryptophan produced with Corynebacterium glutamicum KCCM 80346 for all animal species. Applicant: CJ EUROPE GmbH (EFSA-Q-2022-00882)

The WG discussed and agreed on some aspects of the characterisation of the additive.

f. Draft scientific opinion on L-lysine sulphate containing non-viable biomass of genetically modified *Corynebacterium glutamicum* KCCM 80368 for all animal species. *Applicant: CJ EUROPE GmbH* (EFSA-Q-2023-00484)

The WG discussed and agreed on some aspects of the characterisation of the additive.

g. Draft scientific opinion on L-threonine produced with Corynebacterium glutamicum KCCM 80367 for all animal species. Applicant: CJ EUROPE GmbH (EFSA-Q-2022-00873)

The WG discussed and agreed on some aspects of the characterisation of the additive.

h. Draft scientific opinion on L-histidine/L-histidine monohydrochloride monohydrate produced with *Corynebacterium glutatmicum* KCCM80389 for all animal species. *Applicant: CJ EUROPE GmbH* (EFSA-Q-2024-00031)

The WG discussed and agreed on some aspects of the characterisation of the additive.

 Draft scientific opinion on L-isoleucine produced with Corynebacterium glutamicum KCCM80388 for all animal species. Applicant: CJ EUROPE GmbH (EFSA-Q-2024-00091)

The WG discussed and agreed on some aspects of the characterisation of the additive.

VI. Any Other Business

NΑ

VII. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 29 April 2025, via web conference.

17th Working Group meeting on Characterisation

20 February 2025 13:30-17:30 MINUTES - Agreed on 20 February 2025



Location: Web conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members: Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts¹: Camilla Delpivo

FEEDCO Unit: Orsolya Holczknecht, Jordi Ortuño Casanova, Paola Manini and Natasa Mikulic

Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

Adoption of agenda II.

The agenda was adopted without changes.

Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members III.

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Scientific topic(s) for discussion IV.

a. Draft opinion on E 551a silicic acid, precipitated and dried and E 551b colloidal silica Applicant: Association of Synthetic Amorphous Silica for all animal species. Producers (ASASP) (EFSA-0-2014-00887)

The WG discussed the draft scientific opinion, and in particular assessed the data regarding product characterisation and agreed that further discussion is needed.

Any Other Business V.

NA

Next meeting VI.

The next meeting will be held on 25 March 2025, via web conference.

¹ As defined in Article 34 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf
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http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

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

16th Working Group meeting on Characterisation

12 December 2024 9:30 - 13:30 MINUTES - Agreed on 12 December 2024



Location: Web conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Birgit Dusemund, Fernando Ramos and Georges Bories.

Hearing Experts¹:

Camilla Delpivo

- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable
- o EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Jordi Ortuño, Angelica Amaduzzi and Natasa Mikulic.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Fernando Ramos.

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. Scientific topics for discussion

4.1 Draft opinion on Sepiolitic clay for all animal species (EFSA-Q-2024-00117)

The Working Group discussed the physical characterisation of the additive.

4.2 Draft opinion on E 551a silicic acid, precipitated and dried and E 551b colloidal silica for all animal species (EFSA-Q-2014-00887)

The Working Group discussed the physical characterisation of the additive and decided that further discussion is needed.

4.3 Draft opinion on Kieselgur (diatomaceous earth, purified) for all animal species (EFSA-Q-2019-00662)

The Working Group discussed the physical characetrisation of the additive.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

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

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4.4 Draft opinion on Avi-Carb (semduramicin 3% and nicarbazin 8%) for chickens for fattening (<u>EFSA-Q-2024-00004</u>)

The Working Group discussed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion and decided to contact the applicant on issues that require clarification.

5. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 23 January 2025, via web conference.

15th Working Group meeting on Characterisation



19 November 2024 9:00 – 13:00 MINUTES –Agreed on 19 November 2024

Location: Web conference

Attendees:

o Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Birgit Dusemund and Georges Bories.

Hearing Experts¹:

Not applicable

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable

o EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Maria Vittoria Vettori and Emmanouil Tsochatzis.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Fernando Ramos.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Scientific topics for discussion

4.1 Chlorophyllin Copper Complex E 141 for cats and dogs (<u>EFSA-Q-2022-00232</u>)

The WG finalised the characterisation of the additive.

5. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 12 December 2024, via web conference.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

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

14th Working Group meeting on Characterisation



24 October 2024 9:30 - 13:30 MINUTES - Agreed on 24 October 2024

Location: Web conference

Attendees:

o Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Birgit Dusemund, Fernando Ramos and Georges Bories.

Hearing Experts¹:

Not applicable

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable

o EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Fabiola Pizzo, Maria Vittoria Vettori, Jaume Galobart and Paola Manini

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

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The agenda was adopted without chafges.

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3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Scientific topics for discussion

4.1 Canthaxanthin for chickens for fattening, minor poultry species for fattening, laying poultry and poultry reared for laying, ornamental fish and ornamental birds except ornamental breeder hens, ornamental breeder hens [Article 13] (EFSA-Q-2021-00149)

The WG finalised the characerisation of the additive.

4.2 CAROPHYLL Red 10% (Canthaxanthin) for breeder hens [Article 13] (EFSA-Q-2021-00150)

The WG finalised the characerisation of the additive.

4.3 Application for canthaxanthin (EC ID 4d161g) as zootechnical additive for breeder hens [Art.14] (EFSA-Q-2023-00485)

The WG checked the information related to the characerisation of the additive.

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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

MEETING MINUTES – 24 October 2024 14th Working Group meeting on Characterisation



4.4 Chlorophyllin Copper Complex E 141 for cats and dogs (<u>EFSA-Q-2022-00232</u>)

Not discussed.

5. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 19 November 2024, via web conference.

13th Working Group meeting on Characterisation

10 September 2024 9:30 – 13:30 MINUTES – Agreed on 13 September 2024



Location: Web conference

Attendees:

o Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Birgit Dusemund, Fernando Ramos and Georges Bories.

Hearing Experts¹:

Not applicable

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable

o EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Anna Dioni, Fabiola Pizzo, Alberto Navarro Villa, Matteo Lorenzo Innocenti, Maria Vittoria Vettori, Daniel Pages Plaza

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 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. Scientific topics for discussion

4.1 Molybdenum compound as nutritional additive for pollinator insects (EFSA-Q-2024-00007)

The WG checked the information related to the characerisation of the additive.

4.2 Chlorophyllin Copper Complex E 141 for cats and dogs (<u>EFSA-Q-2022-00232</u>)

The WG checked the information related to the characerisation of the additive.

5. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 24 October 2024, via web conference.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

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12th Working Group meeting on Characterisation

29 August 2024 9:30 - 13:30 MINUTES - Agreed on 29 August 2024



Location: Web conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Birgit Dusemund, Fernando Ramos and Georges Bories.

Hearing Experts¹:

Not applicable

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable

EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Anna Dioni, Stefania Fusani, Alberto Navarro Villa, Matteo Lorenzo Innocenti

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 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. Scientific topics for discussion

4.1 Lutein-rich extract of Tagetes erecta for turkeys for fattening (<u>EFSA-Q-2023-00483</u>)

The WG finalised the characerisation of the additive.

4.2 Decoquinate (Quinox) for chickens for fattening and chickens reared for laying (<u>EFSA-Q-2021-00428</u>)

The WG checked the information related to the characerisation of the additive.

5. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 10 September 2024, via web conference.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

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11th Working Group meeting on Characterisation

25 June 2024 9:30 - 13:30 MINUTES -Agreed on 25 June 2024



Location: Web conference

Attendees:

o Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Birgit Dusemund, Fernando Ramos and Georges Bories.

Hearing Experts¹:

Not applicable

- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable
- o EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Anna Dioni, Maria Vittoria Vettori, Alberto Navarro Villa.

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 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. Scientific topics for discussion

4.1 Decoquinate (Quinox) for chickens for fattening and chickens reared for laying (EFSA-Q-2021-00428)

The WG checked the information related to the characerisation of the additive.

5. Next meeting

TBD

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

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10th Working Group meeting on Characterisation

30 May 2024 9:00 - 13:00 MINUTES - Agreed on 30 May 2024



Location: Web conference

Attendees:

o Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos.

Hearing Experts¹:

Not applicable

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable

o EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Anna Dioni, Jaume Galobart I Cots, Paola Manini, Maria Vittoria Vettori, Alberto Navarro Villa, Matteo Lorenzo Innocenti, Maria Dulak-Lis

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies from Georges Bories.

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. Scientific topics for discussion

4.1 Follow-up opinion linked to EFSA-Q-2010-01533 - Indigo carmine (E132) for cats, dogs and ornamental fish (EFSA-Q-2017-00502)

The WG finalised the discussion on the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

4.2 Clinacox 0.5% (diclazuril) or chickens for fattening (<u>EFSA-Q-2020-00201</u>)

The WG finalised the discussion on the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

5. Any Other Business

The WG discussed the characterisation of the fraction of small particles in feed additives.

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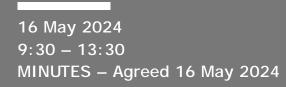
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6. Next meeting

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9th Working Group meeting on Characterisation





Location: Web conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts¹:

Not applicable

 European Commission and/or Member States representatives: Not Applicable

o EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Anna Dioni, Angelica Amaduzzi, Jaume Galobart I Cots, Matteo Lorenzo Innocenti, Maria Vittoria Vettori, Alberto Navarro Villa

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

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. Scientific topics for discussion

Kieselguhr (diatomaceous earth, purified) for all animal species (EFSA-Q-2019-00662)

The WG discussed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

4.2 Compounds (cobalt(II) acetate tetrahydrate, cobalt(II) carbonate, cobalt(II) carbonate hydroxide (2:3) monohydrate and cobalt(II) sulphate heptahydrate) as nutritional additive for ruminants with a functional rumen, equidae, lagomorphs, rodents, herbivore reptiles and zoo mammals (EFSA-Q-2022-00792)

The WG discussed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion and decided to contact the applicant on issues that require clarification.

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

MEETING MINUTES – 16 May 2024 9th Working Group meeting on Characterisation



The following items were not discussed and will be postponed to the next meeting: Clinacox 0.5% (diclazuril) (EFSA-Q-2020-00201), Follow-up opinion linked to EFSA-Q-2010-01533 - Indigo carmine (E132) for cats, dogs and ornamental fish (EFSA-Q-2017-00502).

5. Any Other Business

The WG discussed the characterisation of the fraction of small particles in feed additives.

6. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 30 May 2024, via web conference9

8th Working Group meeting on Characterisation

09 April 2024 9:30 - 13:30 MINUTES -Agreed on 09 April 2024



Location: Web conference

Attendees:

o Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos.

Hearing Experts¹: Vasileios Bampidis

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable

o EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Anna Dioni, Anguita Freixa Montserrat, Jaume Galobart I Cots

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

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. Scientific topics for discussion

The WG discussed the characterisation of the fraction of small particles in feed additives.

5. Any Other Business

6. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 16 May 2024, via web conference.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

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7th Working Group meeting on Characterisation

07 March 2024 9:30 - 13:30 MINUTES - Agreed on 7 March 2024



Location: Web conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable

o EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Anna Dioni, Barbara Rossi, Maria Vittoria Vettori, Jaume Galobart I Cots

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

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. Scientific topics for discussion

4.1 Lutein-rich extract of *Tagetes erecta* for turkeys for fattening (<u>EFSA-Q-2023-00483</u>)

The WG discussed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion and decided to contact the applicant on issues that require clarification.

4.2 Chlorophyllin Copper Complex E 141 for cats and dogs (EFSA-Q-2022-00232)

The WG reviewed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion and decided to contact the applicant on issues that require clarification.

5. Any Other Business

The WG discussed the characterisation of the fraction of small particles in feed additives.

6. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 9 April 2024, via web conference.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

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6th Working Group meeting on Characterisation



13 February 2024 9:30 - 13:30 MINUTES -Agreed on 13 February 2024

Location: Web conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable
- o EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Anna Dioni, Barbara Rossi, Maria Vittoria Vettori

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

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. Scientific topics for discussion

4.1 Chlorophyllin Copper Complex E 141 for cats and dogs (<u>EFSA-Q-2022-00232</u>)

The WG discussed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

4.2 Follow-up opinion linked to EFSA-Q-2010-01533 - Indigo carmine (E132) for cats, dogs and ornamental fish (EFSA-Q-2017-00502)

The WG reviewed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

4.3 Lutein-rich extract of *Tagetes erecta* for turkeys for fattening (<u>EFSA-Q-2023-00483</u>)

The WG discussed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

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MEETING MINUTES – 13 February 2024 6th Working Group meeting on Characterisation



5. Any Other Business

NA

6. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 7 March 2024, via web conference.

5th Working Group meeting on Characterisation

18 January 2024 9:00 – 13:00 MINUTES – agreed on 29th January 2024 by written procedure



Location: Web conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable
- EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Anna Dioni, Joana Firmino, Nicole Bozzi Cionci, Anita Radovnikovic, Jaume Galobart I Cots

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

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. Scientific topics for discussion

4.1 L-tryptophan produced by fermentation with Corynebacterium glutamicum KCCM80346 for all animal species (<u>EFSA-Q-2022-00882</u>) L-threonine produced by fermentation with Corynebacterium glutamicum KCCM80367 for all animal species (<u>EFSA-Q-2022-00873</u>)

The WG discussed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

4.2 Lanthanum carbonate octahydrate (Lanthan One) for dogs (<u>EFSA-Q-2023-00440</u>)

The WG reviewed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

4.3 Plexomin® Se 3000/Plexomin® Se 3000 micro (Selenised yeast Saccharomyces cerevisiae Y03-0 inactivated) for all animal species (<u>EFSA-0-2021-00309</u>)

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

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MEETING MINUTES – 18 January 2024 5th Working Group meeting on Characterisation



The WG reviewed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion and decided to inform the applicant on issues that required clarification.

4.4 L-cystine for all animal species (<u>EFSA-Q-2022-00791</u>) L-tyrosine for all animal species (<u>EFSA-Q-2023-00202</u>)

The WG discussed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

5. Any Other Business

The WG discussed the characterisation of the fraction of small particles in feed additives.

6. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 13 February 2024, via web conference.

4th Working Group meeting on Characterisation

4 December 2023 9:30 - 13:30 MINUTES -Agreed on 12 December 2023



Location: Web conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable

o EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Anna Dioni, Maria Vittoria Vettori, Barbara Rossi, Ana Maria Rincon, Alberto Navarro Villa

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

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. Scientific topics for discussion

4.1 Indigo carmine (E132) for cats, dogs and ornamental fish (EFSA-Q-2017-00502)

The WG discussed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

4.2 Chlorophyllin Copper Complex E 141 for cats and dogs (<u>EFSA-Q-2021-00232</u>)

The WG discussed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

4.3 Coxidin (monensin sodium; carrier wheat bran) (EFSA-Q-2016-00643), Coxidin (monensin sodium; carrier calcium carbonate) (EFSA-Q-2020-00405), Coxidin (EFSA-Q-2020-00837), Coxidin (EFSA-Q-2021-00074) for chickens for fattening, chickens reared for laying, turkeys for fattening and turkeys reared for breeding

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

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MEETING MINUTES – 4 December 2023 4th Working Group meeting on Characterisation



The WG reviewed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

4.4 Sacox (salinomycin sodium) for rabbits for fattening (<u>EFSA-Q-2020-00282</u>)

The WG reviewed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

4.5 Monteban G100 (narasin) for chickens for fattening (<u>EFSA-Q-2020-00557</u>)

The WG reviewed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

4.6 CAROPHYLL Red 10% (Canthaxanthin) for breeder hens (<u>EFSA-Q-2021-00150</u>), Canthaxanthin for chickens for fattening, minor poultry species for fattening, laying poultry and poultry reared for laying, ornamental fish and ornamental birds except ornamental breeder hens, ornamental breeder hens (<u>EFSA-Q-2021-00149</u>)

The WG discussed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

5. Any Other Business

NA

6. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 18 January 2024, via web conference.

3rd Working Group meeting on Characterisation



3 November 2023 9:30 - 13:30 MINUTES -Agreed on 6 November 2023

Location: Web conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable
- o EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Anna Dioni, Marianna Kujawa

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

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. Scientific topics for discussion

4.1 Sepiolite and diatomaceous earth for all terrestrial species (EFSA-Q-2019-00301)

The WG reviewed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

The following items were not discussed: Chlorophyllin Copper Complex E 141(<u>EFSA-Q-2022-00232</u>), Indigo carmine (E132) (<u>EFSA-Q-2017-00502</u>), Sacox® (salinomycin sodium) (<u>EFSA-Q-2020-00282</u>) Coxidin (monensin sodium; carrier wheat bran) (<u>EFSA-Q-2016-00643</u>) and Coxidin (monensin sodium; carrier calcium carbonate) (<u>EFSA-Q-2020-00405</u>).

5. Any Other Business

None

6. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 4 December 2023, via web conference.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

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³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate publications/files/competing interest management 17.pdf

2nd Working Group meeting on Characterisation

17 October 2023 9:30 – 13:30 MINUTES –Agreed on 23 October 2023



Location: Web conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable

EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Jordi Ortuño Casanova, Matteo Innocenti, Angelica Amaduzzi, Anna Dioni, Maria Vittoria Vettori

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

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 Management^{3,} 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 topics for discussion

Natrolite-phonolite (PHIL 75®) for all animal species (EFSA-Q-2014-00888)

The WG reviewed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

Natrolith-Phonolith for all animal species (EFSA-Q-2014-00890)

The WG reviewed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

The following items were not discussed: Chlorophyllin Copper Complex E $141(\underline{EFSA-Q-2022-00232})$, Indigo carmine (E132) ($\underline{EFSA-Q-2017-00502}$), Sacox® (salinomycin sodium) ($\underline{EFSA-Q-2020-00282}$) Coxidin (monensin sodium; carrier wheat bran) ($\underline{EFSA-Q-2016-00643}$) and Coxidin (monensin sodium; carrier wheat bran) ($\underline{EFSA-Q-2020-00405}$).

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf

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

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5. Any Other Business

None

6. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 3 November 2023, via web conference.

1st Working Group meeting on Characterisation

14 September 2023 14:00-18:00 MINUTES - Agreed on 14 September 2023



Location: Web conference

Attendees:

Working Group Members:

Maria Bastos (Chair), Georges Bories, Birgit Dusemund and Fernando Ramos

Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
 Not Applicable

o EFSA:

Orsolya Holczknecht, Jordi Ortuño Casanova, Barbara Rossi

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

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. Scientific topics for discussion

4.1. Draft opinion on Chlorophyllin Copper Complex E 141 for cats and dogs. (<u>EFSA-Q-2022-00232</u>)

The WG reviewed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

4.2. Draft opinion on E 566 Natrolite-phonolite (PHIL 75®) for all animal species. (EFSA-Q-2014-00888)

The WG reviewed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

4.3. Natrolith-Phonolith for all animal species. (EFSA-0-2014-00890)

The WG reviewed the characterisation section of the draft scientific opinion.

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5. Any Other Business

None

6. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 17 October 2023, via web conference.