



EFSA SCIENTIFIC PUBLISHING: UPDATE

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Overview

Performance

User feedback

Contract procurement

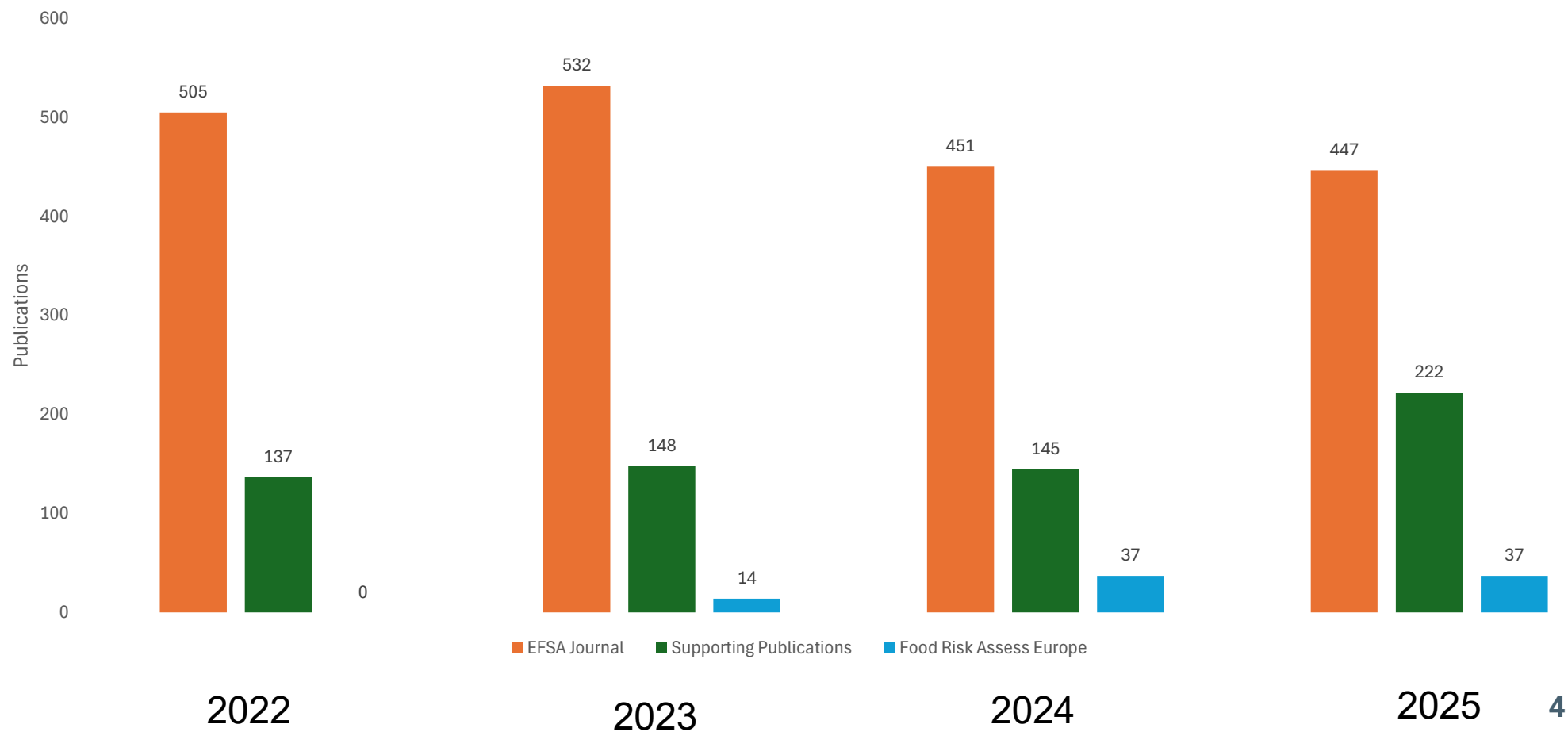


PERFORMANCE 1: 2025 AT A GLANCE

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- EFSA Journal | 477 articles
 - EFSA Supporting Publications | 222 articles
 - Food Risk Assess Europe | 37 articles
 - Plain language summaries | 22 (54 in total)
 - Publication timeliness | 94% within KPI (28 working days from adoption)
- 736 articles



PERFORMANCE: OUTPUT TRENDS



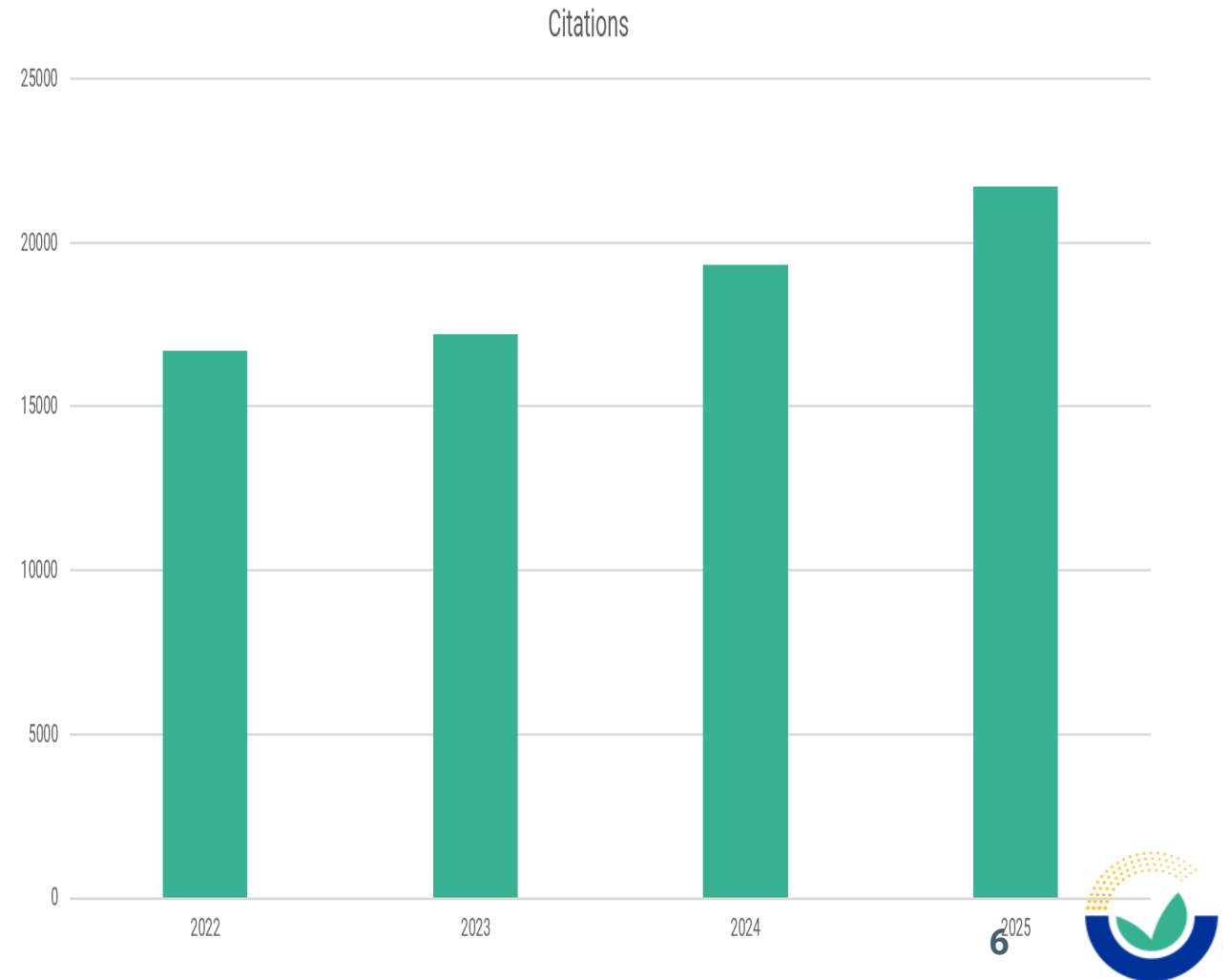
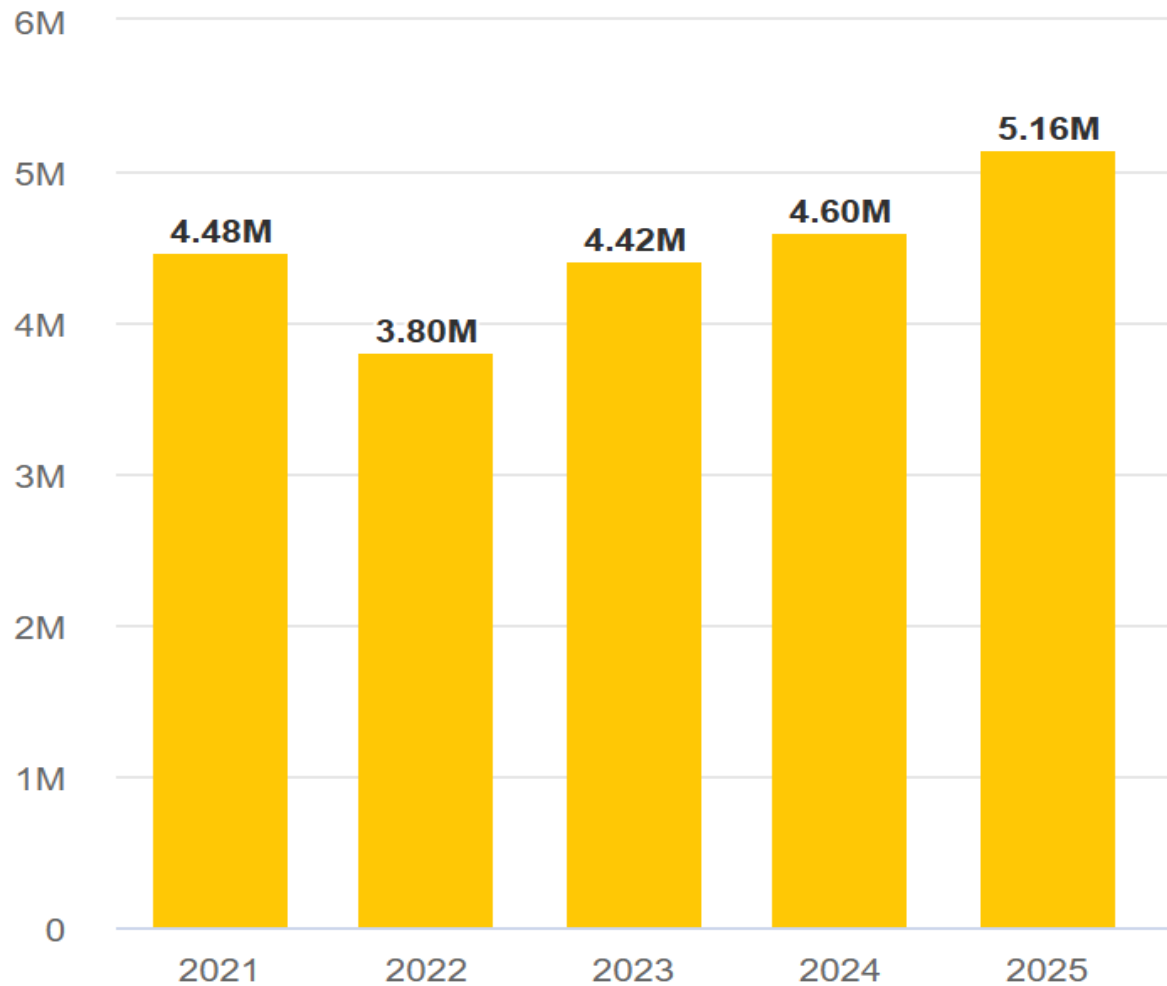
FOOD RISK ASSESS EUROPE | A CHANNEL FOR EU-WIDE RA WORK



- ✓ Launched in 2023
- ✓ Channel for scientific assessments of national agencies
- ✓ Publish knowledge across the EU risk assessment community
- ✓ 100 article milestone reached in Q1 2026
- ✓ Target of 25-30 articles per annum
- ✓ Impact: usage and citations
- ✓ Governance by Editorial Advisory Board of EFSA Journal



PERFORMANCE 2: GROWTH IN USAGE & IMPACT



PERFORMANCE 3: TOP DOWNLOADS & CITATIONS 2025

Top Downloaded

1. **Silicon dioxide** as food additive
2. **Endocrine disruptors** guidance
3. Risk of Perfluoroalkyl substances (**PFAS**)
4. **Bovaer** in ruminants
5. Safety of **green tea catechins**
6. **Listeria** in ready-to-eat foods
7. Guidance on **Threshold of Toxicological Concern**
8. Safety of **titanium dioxide**
9. Annual report on **antimicrobial resistance**
10. **Creatine** and cognitive function

Most Cited

1. EU One Health **Zoonoses** Report 2018
2. Perfluorooctane sulfonate (**PFOS**), **PFOA** and their salts
3. Prevalence of **MRSA** in breeding pigs
4. Guidance on **Uncertainties in Dietary Exposure Assessment**
5. EFSA Comprehensive **European Food Consumption Database**
6. **Dietary Reference Values** for fats
7. EU summary report on **Zoonoses** 2017
8. Safety assessment of **botanicals and botanical preparations**
9. Guidance on bacterial susceptibility to **antimicrobials**
10. **Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons** in Food



PERFORMANCE 4: **INCREASING IMPACT OF EFSA JOURNAL**

Impact Factor: 3.3

H index: 178

CiteScore: 5.9



EFSA Journal
remains in the top
quartile of food
science &
technology
journals using
independent
combined metrics



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User feedback

Journal users

Staff members



FEEDBACK 1: JOURNAL USERS

Background

- ❑ Follow-up to the 2019 and 2023 surveys
- ❑ Carried out by Wiley contractor, Broadview Analytics
- ❑ Oct to Dec 2025
- ❑ 326 respondents
- ❑ Increased stakeholder participation
- ❑ High satisfaction rating

Areas for continuous improvements

- ❑ Data accessibility
- ❑ Search functionality
- ❑ Clarity of writing
- ❑ Increase awareness of plain language summaries
- ❑ Greater outreach



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FEEDBACK 2: STAFF MEMBERS

Background

- ❑ First internal staff satisfaction survey on publishing
- ❑ Focused on publishing process
- ❑ Nov to Dec 2025
- ❑ 28 respondents
- ❑ High satisfaction rating

Suggested improvements

- ❑ Typesetting speed & efficiency
- ❑ Review templates
- ❑ Pre-adoption copyediting
- ❑ Availability of usage & impact metrics



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Priorities

Timeline



NEW PUBLISHING CONTRACT: **PRIORITIES**

Build reputation and impact of EFSA science

Enhance speed & efficiency:
digitisation, IT integration, use of AI

Improve user experience:
readability, versioning



TIMELINE: HEADLINE DATES

Launch of call

- 7 September 2026

Contract signed

- 1 February 2027

Setup

- March - July 2027

New contract
operational

- 1 August 2027

