



Scientific Panel on Food Contact Materials, Enzymes and Processing Aids (CEP)

MINUTES OF THE 8TH PLENARY MEETING

Held on 2-3 July 2019, Parma

(Agreed on 19/07/2019)¹

Participants

■ Panel Members:

José Manuel Barat Baviera, Claudia Bolognesi, Andrew Chesson², Pier Sandro Cocconcelli, Riccardo Crebelli, David Gott³, Konrad Grob, Evgenia Lampi⁴, Alicja Mortensen, Gilles Rivière, Vittorio Silano (Chair), Inger-Lise Steffensen, Henk van Loveren, Laurence Vernis and Holger Zorn

■ European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

DG SANTE: Jiri Sochor the first day.

■ EFSA:

Food Ingredients and Packaging (FIP) Unit: Magdalena Andryszkiewicz, Eric Barthélémy, Anna Federica Castoldi, Consuelo Civitella, Cristina Croera, Ana Gomes, Natalia Kovalkovicova, Alexandros Lioupis, Yi Liu, Joaquim Manuel Maia, Irene Nuin, Foteini Pantazi, Sandra Rainieri, Claudia Roncancio Peña, Ellen Van Haver and Katharina Volk.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants in the meeting. Apologies were received from Christina Tlustos.

Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without any changes.

2. Declarations of Interest of Scientific Panel members

¹ Adopted by written procedure

² By TC

³ Apologies for late afternoon of the 1st day and 2nd day.

⁴ By TC



In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence⁵ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management⁶, 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.

3. Agreement of the minutes of the 7th Plenary meeting held on 22-23 May 2019, Parma

The minutes of the 7th Plenary meeting held on 22-23 May 2019 were agreed by written procedure on 14th June 2019⁷.

4. Report on written procedures since 7th Plenary meeting

No scientific outputs were adopted by written procedure since the last plenary meeting.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

6.1 Request for EFSA to perform a scientific risk assessment on the food enzyme: Maltogenic amylase from a GM strain of *E. coli* (BLASC) (EFSA-Q-2015-00446)

The draft opinion on the food enzyme: Maltogenic amylase from a GM strain of *E. coli* (BLASC) was presented to the members of the CEP Panel together with the main points for discussion. The CEP Panel discussed the different parts of the risk assessment and unanimously adopted the opinion, subject to incorporation of changes as suggested during the meeting.

6.2 Request for EFSA to perform a scientific risk assessment on the food enzyme: Chitinase from a genetically modified strain of *Streptomyces violaceoruber* (pChi) (EFSA-2015-00621)

The draft opinion on the food enzyme: Chitinase from a genetically modified strain of *Streptomyces violaceoruber* (pChi) was presented to the members of the CEP Panel together with the main points for discussion. The CEP Panel discussed the different parts of the risk assessment and unanimously adopted the opinion, subject to incorporation of changes as suggested during the meeting.

6.3 Request for EFSA to perform a scientific risk assessment on the food enzyme: Alpha, alpha trehalase from a genetically modified strain of *Trichoderma reesei* (DP-Nzs51). (EFSA-2016-00142)

The draft opinion on the food enzyme: Alpha, alpha trehalase from a genetically modified strain of *Trichoderma reesei* (DP-Nzs51), was presented to the members of the CEP Panel together with the main points for discussion. The CEP Panel discussed the different parts of the risk assessment and

⁵ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

⁶ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

⁷ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/event/190205-m.pdf>



unanimously adopted the opinion, subject to incorporation of changes as suggested during the meeting.

6.4 Request for the evaluation of AMB recycling process for poly(ethylene terephthalate) for direct food application (Bandera) (EFSA-Q-2018-00375)

The draft opinion on AMB recycling process for poly(ethylene terephthalate) for direct food application (Bandera) was presented to the members of the CEP Panel together with the main points for discussion. The CEP Panel discussed the different parts of the risk assessment and unanimously adopted the opinion, subject to incorporation of changes as suggested during the meeting.

6.5 Request for the evaluation of a Quinn Packaging recycling process (EREMA basic) for direct food contact application (EFSA-Q-2019-00085)

The draft opinion on a Quinn Packaging recycling process (EREMA basic) for direct food contact application was presented to the members of the CEP Panel together with the main points for discussion. The CEP Panel discussed the different parts of the risk assessment and unanimously adopted the opinion, subject to incorporation of changes as suggested during the meeting.

6.6 Recycling processes using the Starlinger iV+ technology

- (a) Poly Recycling AG, (EFSA-Q-2018-01042)**
- (b) Texplast GmbH, (EFSA-Q-2019-00058)**

The draft opinions on the (a) Poly Recycling and (b) Texplast recycling processes using the Starlinger iV+ technology were presented to the members of the CEP Panel together with the main points for discussion. The CEP Panel discussed the different parts of the risk assessments and unanimously adopted the opinions, subject to incorporation of changes as suggested during the meeting.

7 Other scientific topics for information and/or discussion

7.1 Technical meeting with stakeholders on applications for food enzymes

EFSA reported to the Panel on the outcome of the technical meeting with stakeholders on applications for food enzymes, held in Brussel (Belgium) on 19 - 20 June 2019.

8 New Mandates

8.1 New questions since the previous meeting

The following new mandates have been received since the last Plenary meeting: ten for the safety assessment of food contact materials.



Food Sector	EFSA-Q-Number	Subject	Reception date
FCM	EFSA-Q-2019-00391	Request for safety evaluation of the Mpac Polymers recycling process (Krones) to produce recycled plastic for food contact uses	20/06/2019
FCM	EFSA-Q-2019-00390	Application for authorisation of 2-hydroxyethyl methacrylate phosphate as a monomer for use in the manufacture of plastic food contact materials and articles	19/06/2019
FCM	EFSA-Q-2019-00387	Application for authorisation of Cyclooctene homopolymer ('PCOE') and Cobalt stearate for use as active substances in food contact materials and articles	18/06/2019
FCM	EFSA-Q-2019-00386	Request of safety evaluation of the RE-PET Kunststoffrecycling recycling process (EREMA basic)	17/06/2019
FCM	EFSA-Q-2019-00384	Request for safety evaluation of the STF Recycling recycling process (EREMA "basic") for direct food contact application	17/06/2019
FCM	EFSA-Q-2019-00379	Request for safety evaluation of the ONDUPET recycling process (EREMA "basic")	12/06/2019
FCM	EFSA-Q-2019-00377	Request for safety evaluation of the SML Maschinengesellschaft recycling process (SML)	11/06/2019
FCM	EFSA-Q-2019-00372	Request for safety evaluation of the Ltd. PolyER recycling process (Starlinger viscotec deCON) to produce plastic for food contact uses	03/06/2019
FCM	EFSA-Q-2019-00367	Request for the evaluation of the EREMA Engineering Recycling Maschinen und Anlagen recycling process (EREMA "MPR + DS") for direct food application	27/05/2019
FCM	EFSA-Q-2019-00366	Request for the evaluation of the EREMA Engineering Recycling Maschinen und Anlagen recycling process (EREMA "MPR" and "basic") for direct food application	27/05/2019

8.2. Valid questions since the previous meeting

The following questions have been considered valid for the start of the assessment since the last Plenary meeting: one for the safety assessment of enzymes and one for the safety assessment of food contact materials.



Food Sector	EFSA-Q-Number	Subject	Reception date
ENZ	EFSA-Q-2019-00056	Request for EFSA to perform a scientific risk assessment on the food enzyme Triacylglycerol lipase from <i>Burkholderia ubonensis</i> .	27/06/2019
FCM	EFSA-Q-2018-00558	Request for the re-evaluation of Waxes, paraffinic, refined, derived from petroleum based or synthetic hydrocarbon feedstocks (FCM 93, Ref 95858)	18/06/2019

9 Feedback from the Scientific Committee/Scientific Panels, EFSA, the European Commission

9.1 Scientific Committee and Scientific Panel(s) including their Working Groups

9.1.1 CEP WG on Enzymes

No additional issues were brought to the attention of the CEP Panel further to what is already recorded in the [minutes of the WG](#).

9.1.2 CEP WG on Food Contact Materials

No additional issues were brought to the attention of the CEP Panel further to what is already recorded in the [minutes of the WG](#).

9.1.3 CEP WG on Recycling Plastic

No additional issues were brought to the attention of the CEP Panel further to what is already recorded in the [minutes of the WG](#).

9.1.4 CEP WG on BPA re-evaluation

No additional issues were brought to the attention of the CEP Panel further to what is already recorded in the [minutes of the WG](#).

9.1.5 CEP WG on Phthalates

The CEP Panel was informed about a presentation on a recent research conducted by the University of Edinburgh that had been shared with EFSA on a confidential basis. Other issues have already been recorded in the [minutes of the WG](#).

9.1.6 EFSA WG on BPS

No additional issues were brought to the attention of the CEP Panel further to what is already recorded in the [minutes of the WG](#).

9.1.7 Feedback from the Scientific Committee

All the items discussed during the Plenary Scientific Committee held in Parma on 25-26 June 2019 were synthetically addressed by the Chair of the Panel.



9.2 Feedback from EFSA

A presentation was given by the EFSA Legal & Assurance Services on Independence and the related activities.

10 Any Other business