



PROGRESS REPORT

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Management Board meeting 8 October 2009, Parma

Panel on food additives and nutrient sources added to food (ANS)

- 41 opinions (105 applications) on food additives and food supplements

Animal Health and Welfare (AHAW)

- 5 opinions on dairy cows welfare
- 1 on fish welfare research needs

Biological Hazards (BIOHAZ)

- 4 opinions:
 - BSE risk in bovine intestines
 - aspects of stunning and killing farmed fish,
 - food safety aspects of dairy cows husbandry systems
 - statement on protocol for data collection on resistance to scrapie in Cyprus goats
- Joint scientific report on ECDC, EFSA and EMEA on metycillin resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)

Food contact materials, enzymes, flavourings and processing aids (CEF)

- 33 opinions:
 - flavouring substances with structural alert for genotoxicity
 - food contact materials
 - smoke flavourings
 - interpretation of margin of safety for smoke flavourings
 - guidelines for safety evaluation on active or intelligent packaging and evaluation of enzymes

Contaminants in the Food Chain (CONTAM)

- 3 opinions:
 - marine biotoxines
 - aflatoxin in tree nuts

Additives and Products or Substances used in Animal Feed (FEEDAP)

- 9 opinions for authorisation of feed additives

Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO)

- 8 opinions for authorisation:
 - renewal for maize MON 810
 - renewal for oilseed rape
 - new GM maizes
- Environmental NGOs meeting on 2 October
- Conference “EFSA and GMO risk assessment for Human and animal health and the environment” on 14-15 September



Dietetics Products, Nutrition and Allergies (NDA)

Health Claims Art 13	Publication
October 2009	540
February 2010	850
July 2010	500
2010 onward (list not received so far)	1200 including 500 without clarification +500

Claim type	Received	Withdrawn	Adopted	In progress
Children (Art. 14)	213	19	43 opinions covering 50 applications	7*
Disease risk reduction (Art. 14)	47	2	12	7**
New science/ proprietary (Art. 13.5)	21	6	13	1***
Total	281	27	68 covering 75 applications	15

Plant Health (PLH)

- Guidance document for harmonised framework for pest risk assessment endorsed by panel (now in public consultation)

Plant Protection Products and their residues (PPR)

- 7 opinions:
 - annex II and III of Council Directive 91/414/EEC concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market
 - triazoles

Scientific Committee

- 21-22 July: inaugural meeting of the panel, election of Chair (Prf. V. Silano) and vice Chairs (Dr A. Knapp and Dr. D. Lovell)
- Adoption of safety assessment of botanicals and botanical preparation
- New mandate received on risk assessment of nanoscience and nanotechnologies
- SC awayday on Integrated Approach

Advisory Forum

- AF meeting held in Prague in June:
Preliminary MP 2010, cooperation, with focus on GMO area, follow up of ESCO working group on botanicals, priorities in harmonisation, SC opinion on benchmark dose approach in risk assessment
- AF meeting held in Stockholm in September:
Cooperation in the field of dietetic products, nutrition and allergies, non plastic packaging materials, genetically modified organisms

- **Workload identification**
 - Commission agreed to provide overview of legislative activities and associated workload - Mar 2010
 - Member States R.A. workload - agree date
- **Capacity**
 - Current capacity at EFSA - Dec 2009
 - Current capacity Member States – agree date
- **Implementation**
 - Shift from individual grants/contracts to multi-annual framework
 - Preparation and coordination through Steering Group on Cooperation

Scientific Cooperation (SCO)

- National meetings organized by Focal Points with participation and support by EFSA
- Final report on ESCO Working Group on risks and benefits of folic acid
- EFSA Scientific Colloquium Report Series on assessing health benefits of controlling *Campylobacter* in food chain published

Assessment Methodology Unit (AMU)

Two reports:

- statistical evaluation of monitoring data on *Salmonella* in Poultry meat
- colony collapse disorder syndrome in bees

Data Collection and Exposure Unit (DATEX)

- exposure assessment for lead and arsenic
- Exposure was also calculated for full age range of children

Pesticide Risk Assessment Peer Review (PRAPeR)

- 26 reasoned opinions on MRL applications

Table 3: Conclusions due in the period 2009-2012

	2009	2010	2011	2012
Art. 10	85	100	100	100
Art. 12(1)	0	98	98	71
Art. 12(2)	4	126	38	0
Art. 43	11	10	10	10
Total	100	334	236	181

Emerging Risks Unit (EMRISK)

- Established a network on Emerging Risk Identification
- Final report on RASFF with new IT tool developed to monitor notifications
- Crisis exercise on 7/07: report with new recommendations to further develop EFSA's emergency manual

Zoonoses

- scientific report on the statistical evaluation of monitoring data on Salmonella in poultry meat
- Annual Zoonoses Report 2008 received in June by Member States and currently analysed by EFSA and ECDC

EFSA in the news

AP Associated Press

**EU experts:
transgenic potato is safe**



THE SUNDAY TIMES
**EU bites into cereals'
health claims**



REUTERS
EU food safety body
delivers opinion on
health claims

WELT
**GENMAIS STELLT KEINE GEFAHR
FÜR DIE UMWELTDAR**

Le Monde

En Europe, les résidus de
pesticides dans les aliments
sont de plus en plus
surveillés

CORRIERE DELLA SERA
**EFSA: GIRO DI VITE SUGLI
INTEGRATORI ALIMENTARI**

nature

Europe prepares for drugs
from GM plants

Food e-news
**EFSA publish report on
MRSA and food**

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GUARDIAN**

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 Scientific Panels & Units

Results: 1 - 10 of 1450

Marine biotoxins in shellfish – Summary on regulated marine biotoxins
Published: 26 August 2009 Adopted: 13 August 2009

Guidelines on submission of a dossier for safety evaluation by the EFSA of active or intelligent substances present in active and intelligent materials and articles intended to come into contact with food
Published: 14 August 2009 Adopted: 21 July 2009

Guidance of the Scientific Panel of Food Contact Material, Enzymes, Flavourings and Processing Aids (CEF) on the Submission of a Dossier on Food Enzymes for Safety Evaluation [1]
Published: 12 August 2009 Adopted: 23 July 2009

Outcome of the Public Consultation on the Guidance of the Scientific Panel of Food Contact Material, Enzymes, Flavourings and Processing Aids (CEF) on the Submission of a Dossier on Food Enzymes [1]
Published: 12 August 2009

Calcium + Vitamin D3 chewing tablets and bone loss - Scientific substantiation of a health claim related to Calcium plus Vitamin D3 chewing tablets and reduction of the risk of osteoporotic fractures by reducing bone loss pursuant to Article 14 of Regulation (EC) No 1924/2006 [1]
Published: 7 August 2009 Adopted: 2 July 2009

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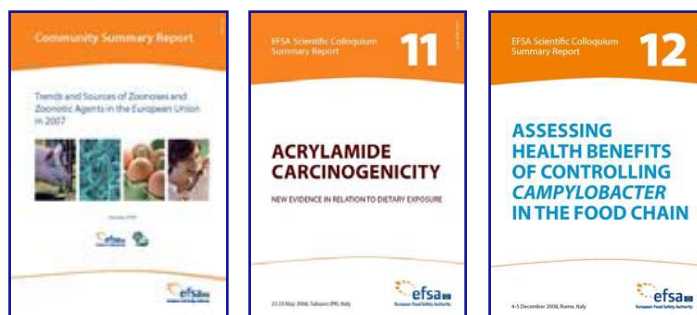
Annual report, summary and Strategic plan
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Corporate brochure (now also in GR,SL)



The latest scientific reports:

Foodborne outbreaks,
Scientific Colloquium reports



EU presidency

- 24/09 Meeting with representatives for the EU presidency in Stockholm (Ministry of Agriculture, National Food Administration, Environmental protection Agency, Swedish Board of Agriculture, National Veterinary Institute, Swedish Chemical Agency)

Bilateral EU Member States

- 13/07 EFSA's Executive Director opened the 1^o course on Food Safety and Nutrition organised by AESAN and the University Complutense of Madrid
- Joint conference EFSA-Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Food, Radenci, Slovenia, August 2009



Pre-accession and European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP)

- 14-15/09 Pre-accession seminar on Risk Assessment Methodology in Dubrovnik, Croatia
- 1-2 July EU seminar on food safety for ENP with SANCO, RELEX, ENLARG



At 31/08/09

- Budget execution: 61% of budget committed (+6%)
- Establishment plan execution: 90%
- EFSA staff (TA + CA + SNE): 397