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# Annual Activity Report 2012

Management Board Meeting  
Parma, 14 March 2013

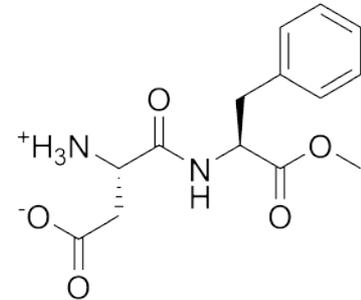
# Key achievements 2012

- Renewal of Scientific Committee and 8 Panels
- 763 scientific outputs (out of 767 planned)
- Second external evaluation and Management Board recommendations
- Independence & Transparency
  - Implementing Rules of Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision Making
  - Court of Auditors report
  - Participation of observers in Panel plenary meetings
- Dialogue with stakeholders (renewal of Stakeholder Platform)



## ➤ Highlights:

- Schmallenberg virus
- Salmonella Stanley
- Meat inspection
- Aspartame (call for data and draft opinion for public consultation)
- Bisphenol A (call for data – opinion in May 2013)
- GM maize NK603
- Neonicotinoids
- Endocrine disruptors
- 91 “general function” health claims eligible for further assessment



# Key achievements 2012 (contd.)

- Support to applicants (online Helpdesk and workshops)
- Risk communication guidelines
- “Understanding Science” videos
- EFSA on Twitter and YouTube
- Budget execution: commitment 99.3% - payment 88%
  - Human resources: 96.3%
  - Scientific cooperation: 102%
- Integrated management system & launch of PARMA project
- Savings in 2012: 3.94 €M (less expenses for building, furniture, IT infrastructure, governance and consultancy)  
These go on top of those achieved in 2011: 1.98 €M



# Challenges in 2012

- EFSA capacity to attract experts in GMO scientific area
- Less outputs than planned in the areas of pesticides, food additives and packaging
- IT operational strategy: postponed to 2013
- Document management system
- Discharge of EFSA budget 2010 and independence

