



UNIT ON BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS and CONTAMINANTS

Scientific Panel on Contaminants in the Food Chain

Minutes of the 102nd Plenary meeting

Audioweb-conference, 17 December 2017 (Agreed on 20 January 2020)

Participants

Panel Members:

Margherita Bignami, Laurent Bodin, Kevin Chipman, Jesús Del Mazo, Bettina Grasl-Kraupp, Christer Hogstrand, Ron Hoogenboom, Jean-Charles Leblanc, Carlo Nebbia, Elsa Nielsen, Evangelia Ntzani, Annette Petersen, Salomon Sand, Dieter Schrenk, Tanja Schwerdtle, Christiane Vleminckx and Heather Wallace.

Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable.

■ European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Veerle Vanheusden and Frans Verstraete (European Commission, DG Health and Food Safety, Unit E2).

EFSA:

BIOCONTAM Unit:

Katleen Baert, Marco Binaglia, Anna Christodoulidou, Karen Mackay, Kelly Niermans, Luisa Ramos Bordajandi, Elena Rovesti and Hans Steinkellner.

DATA Unit:

Zsuzsanna Horvath (for Item 6.1).

Observers:

Not Applicable.

Others:

Not Applicable.

¹ 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/sites/default/files/corporate publications/files/expertselection.pdf

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

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 Panel 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. Agreement of the minutes of the 101st plenary meeting held on 27-28.11.2019

The minutes of the 101st Plenary meeting held on 27-28 November 2019 were agreed by the CONTAM panel on 17 December⁴.

5. Report on written procedures since the 101st plenary meeting held on 27-28.11.2019

Not applicable.

6. Scientific outputs submitted for discussion and possible adoption

6.1. Draft Scientific opinion on the health risks for animal and human health related to the presence of chlorinated paraffins in feed and food (EFSA-Q-2016-00801)⁵

The Chair of the WG on Chlorinated paraffins introduced the changes implemented in the opinion based on the comments received during the public consultation. The CONTAM Panel adopted the opinion including the proposed changes and endorsed the public consultation report that will be published together with it. The Chair of the Panel thanked the WG and EFSA staff for their work.

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

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

⁴ https://www.efsa.europa.eu/it/events/event/101st-plenary-meeting-contam-panel

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2016-00801

6.2. Draft Scientific opinion on the risks to human health related to the presence of perfluoroalkyl substances in food (EFSA-Q-2017-00549)⁶

The CONTAM Panel discussed further the approach to take for the risk assessment. Additional information and further clarification needs were identified and requested to the WG for the discussion of the opinion at the 103rd Panel meeting.

7. Feedback from the Scientific Committee, EFSA, the European Commission

The agenda items were deferred to the next meeting due to time constraints.

8. Any other business

Not Applicable

⁶ http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/rogFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00164