



MINUTES OF THE 36TH PLENARY MEETING OF THE SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON ADDITIVES AND PRODUCTS OR SUBSTANCES USED IN ANIMAL FEED

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PARTICIPANTS

Panel Members:

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Apologies

Paul Brantom (2nd day), Noël Dierick, Joop de Knecht, Alberto Mantovani, Guido Rychen

EFSA

Claudia Roncancio-Peña, Jaume Galobart, Maria Vittoria Vettori (scientific staff), Ketty Antonelli, (administrative staff)

European Commission

Christoph von Holst (2nd day) (DG Joint Research Centre)

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed the participants to the 36th Plenary meeting of the FEEDAP Panel.

Members not able to attend the meeting had sent their apologies (see under participants).

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared relevant to the items of the agenda.

4. ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 35TH PLENARY MEETING ON 21-22 NOVEMBER 2006

The minutes of the 35th plenary meeting of the Scientific Panel held on 21-22 November 2006 were reviewed and adopted.

5. WORK PROGRAM

5.1. Discussion and possible adoption of the following scientific opinions

- **Safety and efficacy of Selenium enriched yeast (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*) for all species (EFSA-Q-2005-117)**

A member of the Working Group (WG) introduced the modified draft opinion. This question refers to a feed additive application under Article 4(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003. The applicant is seeking authorisation of the product Selenium enriched yeast (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*) to be used as a feed additive for all species (category: nutritional additives; functional group: compounds of trace elements). The new draft was discussed in detail.

The applicant has provided enough evidence to support the efficacy of the product. The Panel also concluded that the safety for the target species has been demonstrated with a margin of safety of seven to ten-fold. The product is also considered safe for the consumers, users and the environment. The Panel recommends that the specification for maximum Se content in the product should be given.

The opinion was adopted after some editorial modifications.

- **Environmental risk assessment: Aquatic compartment (EFSA-Q-2004-079)**

The Rapporteur of the WG introduced the document on the aquatic compartment. After extensive discussion on the sections dealing with the calculation of the Predicted Environmental Concentration (PEC) and its refinement some changes have been introduced.

The opinion was adopted after some editorial modifications.

The terms of reference of this self-tasking activity includes the development of Guidance for the Environmental Risk Assessment of the Terrestrial and Aquatic Compartments, for this reason the publication of this document will take place when both parts will be adopted by the Panel.

5.2. Discussion of the following scientific opinions

- **Safety and efficacy of Toyocerin[®] (*Bacillus cereus*) for sows (EFSA-Q-2006-037)**

Not discussed due to lack of time

- **Safety of Bio-Feed[®] Pro (proteinase) for chickens for fattening, piglets and pigs for fattening (EFSA-Q-2006-181)**

Not discussed due to lack of time

6. PROGRESS REPORT ON ONGOING WORK

Not discussed

7. NEW REQUESTS TO EFSA RECEIVED FROM THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

No new questions have been received since the last Plenary meeting.

8. GENERAL INFORMATION FROM EFSA

- The Chair of the Panel briefly reported on the meeting that took place with FEFANA on the development of guidelines for the assessment of flavouring compounds.

9. MISCELLANEOUS

The Panel asked for the opportunity, in the absence of the secretariat, to discuss progress in the revision of expenses and indemnity. The Panel were disappointed to learn that no formal response had been received to their letter sent earlier in the year to the Executive Director and that no action had been taken in response to their concerns. The Panel asked the chairman to reiterate their views and to point out that this inaction was likely to increase the difficulty of organising meetings.