

Parma, 13 April 2015
EFSA/CONTAM/2437

Scientific Panel on Contaminants in the Food Chain
Minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Working Group on perchlorate in food_correcting opinion

Held by TELE-conference, 13 April 2015
(Agreed on 13 April 2015)

Participants

- **Working Group Experts:**

Michael Dinovi, Peter Fürst, Helle Katrine Knutsen (vice-chair) and Christiane Vleminckx (chair)

- **Hearing Experts¹:**

Not applicable

- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Frans Verstraete (DG SANTE)

- **EFSA:**

BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert

DATA Unit: Davide Arcella

- **Others:**

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest of Standing Working Group members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 2nd Working Group meeting held on 27 March 2015, Brussels.

The minutes of the of the 2nd Working Group meeting held on 27 March 2015 were agreed.⁴

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on perchlorate in food, in particular fruit and vegetables (EFSA-Q-2015-00107)⁵

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the draft opinion on perchlorate in food, in particular fruit and vegetables with special emphasis on the occurrence data, the exposure assessment and risk characterisation. Revisions were proposed and will be implemented. The WG finalised the discussions on the draft opinion on perchlorate in food, in particular fruit and vegetables and agreed on the final amendments to be done. The Chair of the WG decided that after completed amendments, the draft opinion will be presented at the next CONTAM Panel meeting for discussion and possible adoption.

6. Any Other Business

Not applicable.

7. Next meeting

Not applicable.

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

⁴ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/contamwgs/documents/contamperchlorateinfood.pdf>

⁵ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2015-00107>

Brussels, 27 March 2015
EFSA/CONTAM/2403

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Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Working Group on perchlorate in food_correcting opinion

Held on 27 March 2015, Brussels (Belgium)
(Agreed on 27 March 2015)

Participants

- **Working Group Experts:**
 - Christiane Vleminckx (chair)
 - Helle Katrine Knutsen (vice-chair), Michael Dinovi and Peter Fürst¹ have participated via teleconference
- **Hearing Experts²:**

Not applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Frans Verstraete (DG SANTE)
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BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert
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¹ Participated from 13.30 CET

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The members of the working group (WG) discussed the draft opinion on perchlorate in food, in particular fruit and vegetables with special emphasis on the occurrence data and the approach for the exposure assessment. Revisions were proposed and will be implemented before the next WG meeting.

6. Any Other Business

Not applicable.

7. Next meeting

13 April 2015

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the previous Working Group meeting.

Not applicable

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

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