



BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS AND CONTAMINANTS UNIT

## SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN

### MINUTES OF THE 1<sup>st</sup> MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON MOH in FOOD

**Held on 7 December 2020, Teleconference**

**(Agreed on 7 December 2020)**

#### Participants

- Working Group Members:  
Jan Alexander, Kevin Chipman (Chair), Christophe Goldbeck, Konrad Grob, Nicole Hellwig, Annette Petersen and Heather Wallace
- Hearing Experts:  
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives: Ivana Poustkova (EC) and Frans Verstraete (EC)
- EFSA:  
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert, Marco Binaglia and Federico Cruciani
- Others:  
Not Applicable

#### 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

#### 2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.



### 3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence<sup>1</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management<sup>2</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group 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 previous Working Group meeting.

Not Applicable

### 5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

#### 5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of mineral oil hydrocarbons in food (EFSA-Q-2020-00664)<sup>3</sup>

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the terms of reference of the mandate, the previous assessments by EFSA, the Art 36 grant studying accumulation and toxicity of MOSH in rats, the literature search, the protocol and the table of contents of the draft opinion on MOH in food. Tasks were distributed.

### 6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

### 7. Next meeting(s)

To be decided

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<sup>1</sup> [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/policy_independence.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> [http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate\\_publications/files/competing\\_interest\\_management\\_17.pdf](http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf)

<sup>3</sup> <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2020-00664>