



BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS AND CONTAMINANTS UNIT

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN

MINUTES OF THE 15th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 8 September 2020, Teleconference

(Agreed on 14 September 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Kevin Chipman, Thierry Guerin, Peter Massanyi, Elsa Nielsen (Chair) and Henk Van Loveren
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert
AMU Unit: José Cortiñas
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Christiane Vleminckx, Veerle Vanheusden (EC) and Frans Verstraete (EC).

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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 the 14th Working Group meeting held on 1 and 2 September 2020, by teleconference.

The minutes of the 14th Working Group meeting held on 1 and 2 September 2020 by teleconference were agreed.³

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁴

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the comments received during the public consultation as well as the draft responses to the comments and the necessary changes in the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water. Revisions were proposed and will be implemented. The chair of the WG decided that after the amendments have been completed, 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(s)

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¹ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

³ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wqs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

⁴ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00214>



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MINUTES OF THE 14th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 1 and 2 September 2020, Teleconference

(Agreed on 23 July 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Kevin Chipman¹, Thierry Guerin, Peter Massanyi, Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx and Henk Van Loveren²
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Frans Verstraete³
- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert
DATA Unit: Petra Gergelova⁴
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

¹ Participated on 1 September only

² Participated on 1 September only

³ Participated on 2 September only

⁴ Participated on 2 September only



The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Veerle Vanheusden (EC).

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 Independence⁵ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management⁶, 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 the 13th Working Group meeting held on 23 July 2020, by teleconference.

The minutes of the 13th Working Group meeting held on 23 July 2020 by teleconference were agreed.⁷

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁸

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the comments received during the public consultation regarding the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

15th WG meeting on 8 September 2020.

⁵ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

⁶ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

⁷ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wqs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

⁸ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00214>



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MINUTES OF THE 13th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 23 July 2020, Teleconference

(Agreed on 23 July 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Kevin Chipman, Thierry Guerin, Peter Massanyi, Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx and Henk Van Loveren
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
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- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert
DATA Unit: Petra Gergelova
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Veerle Vanheusden (EC).

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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 the 11th Working Group meeting held on 27 April 2020, by teleconference.

The minutes of the 12th Working Group meeting held on 4 and 5 May 2020 by teleconference were agreed.³

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁴

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the comments received during the public consultation regarding the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

14th WG meeting on 1 and 2 September 2020.

¹ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

³ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wqs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

⁴ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00214>



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MINUTES OF THE 12th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 4 and 5 May 2020, Teleconference

(Agreed on 12 May 2020)

Participants

■ Working Group Members:

Kevin Chipman¹, Thierry Guerin², Peter Massanyi¹, Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx and Henk Van Loveren¹

■ Hearing Experts:

Not Applicable

■ European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

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■ EFSA:

BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert

DATA Unit: Petra Gergelova²

■ Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Veerle Vanheusden (EC).

¹ Participated on 4 May only

² Participated on 5 May only



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 Independence³ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management⁴, 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 the 11th Working Group meeting held on 27 April 2020, by teleconference.

The minutes of the 11th Working Group meeting held on 27 April 2020 by teleconference were agreed.⁵

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁶

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water, particularly the interpretation of the terms of reference, the supporting information, the data and methodologies, hazard identification and characterisation, occurrence and exposure, risk characterisation, uncertainties, conclusions and recommendations. Tasks were distributed. The chair of the WG decided that after the amendments have been completed, the draft opinion will be presented at the next CONTAM Panel meeting for discussion and possible endorsement for public consultation.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

13th WG meeting on 23 July 2020.

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

⁴ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

⁵ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wgs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

⁶ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00214>



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MINUTES OF THE 11th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 27 April 2020, Teleconference

(Agreed on 27 April 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Kevin Chipman, Thierry Guerin, Peter Massanyi, Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx and Henk Van Loveren
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
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- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert
DATA Unit: Petra Gergelova
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Veerle Vanheusden (EC).

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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 the 10th Working Group meeting held on 3 April 2020, by teleconference.

The minutes of the 10th Working Group meeting held on 3 April 2020 by teleconference were agreed.³

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁴

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water, particularly the hazard identification and characterisation, as well as the exposure and the uncertainties. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

12th WG meeting on 4 and 5 May 2020.

¹ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

³ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wgs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

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MINUTES OF THE 10th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 3 April 2020, Teleconference

(Agreed on 3 April 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Kevin Chipman, Thierry Guerin, Peter Massanyi, Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx and Henk Van Loveren
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Veerle Vanheusden (EC)
- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert
DATA Unit: Petra Gergelova
- 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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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 the 9th Working Group meeting held on 24 March 2020, EFSA, Parma.

The minutes of the 9th Working Group meeting held on 24 March 2020, Parma, were agreed.³

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁴

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water, particularly the hazard identification and characterisation, as well as the occurrence and exposure. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

11th WG meeting on 27 April 2020.

¹ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

³ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wgs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

⁴ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00214>



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MINUTES OF THE 9th MEETING OF THE SUB-WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 24 March 2020, Teleconference

(Agreed on 24 March 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx and Henk Van Loveren
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Veerle Vanheusden
- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert
DATA Unit: Petra Gergelova
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Kevin Chipman.

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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 the 9th Working Group meeting held on 13 March 2020, by teleconference.

The minutes of the 9th Working Group meeting held on 13 March 2020, by teleconference, were agreed.³

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁴

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water, particularly the approach for the acute risk assessment. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

10th WG meeting on 3 April 2020.

¹ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

³ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wgs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

⁴ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00214>



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MINUTES OF THE 8th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 13 March 2020, Teleconference

(Agreed on 13 March 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Thierry Guerin, Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx and Henk Van Loveren
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
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- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert
DATA Unit: Petra Gergelova
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Kevin Chipman, Peter Massanyi and Veerle Vanheusden (EC).

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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 the 7th Working Group meeting held on 12 March 2020, EFSA, Parma.

The minutes of the 7th Working Group meeting held on 12 March 2020, Parma, were agreed.³

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁴

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water, particularly the occurrence and exposure, including human biomonitoring. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

9th WG meeting on 24 March 2020.

¹ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

³ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wgs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

⁴ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00214>



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MINUTES OF THE 7th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 12 March 2020, Teleconference

(Agreed on 12 March 2020)

Participants

■ Working Group Members:

Kevin Chipman, Peter Massanyi, Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx and Henk Van Loveren

■ Hearing Experts:

Not Applicable

■ European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

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■ EFSA:

BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert

■ Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Thierry Guerin and Veerle Vanheusden (EC).

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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 the 6th Working Group meeting held on 24-26 February 2020, EFSA, Parma.

The minutes of the 6th Working Group meeting held on 24-26 February 2020, Parma, were agreed.³

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁴

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water, particularly the hazard identification and characterisation. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

8th WG meeting on 13 March 2020.

¹ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

³ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wgs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

⁴ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00214>



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MINUTES OF THE 6th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 24-26 February 2020, EFSA, Parma

(Agreed on 26 February 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Peter Massanyi, Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx, Henk Van Loveren¹, Thierry Guerin
Kevin Chipman² participated by teleconference
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:/
- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert
DATA Unit: Petra Gergelova³
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Veerle Vanheusden (EC).

¹ Participated on 24 February and 25 February am.

² Participated on 25 February from 9.00 until 11.00 am.

³ Participated on 26 February only.



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 Independence⁴ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management⁵, 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 the 5th Working Group meeting held on 24 January 2020, Teleconference.

The minutes of the 5th Working Group meeting held on 24 January 2020, Teleconference, were agreed.⁶

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁷

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water, particularly the supporting information, hazard identification and characterisation, occurrence and exposure. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

12 and 13 March 2020

⁴ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

⁵ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

⁶ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wqs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

⁷ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00214>



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MINUTES OF THE 5th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 24 January 2020, Teleconference

(Agreed on 24 January 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Peter Massanyi, Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx and Henk Van Loveren
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Thierry Guerin and Veerle Vanheusden (EC).

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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 the 4th Working Group meeting held on 22 January 2020, Teleconference.

The minutes of the 4th Working Group meeting held on 22 January 2020, Teleconference, were agreed.³

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁴

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water, particularly the hazard identification and characterisation. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

24-26 February 2020

¹ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

³ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wqs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

⁴ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00214>



SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN

MINUTES OF THE 4th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 22 January 2020, Teleconference

(Agreed on 22 January 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Peter Massanyi, Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx, and Thierry Guerin
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
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- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert
DATA Unit: Petra Gergelova
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Henk Van Loveren, Kevin Chipman and Veerle Vanheusden (EC)..

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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 the 3rd Working Group meeting held on 12-13 December 2019, EFSA, Parma.

The minutes of the 3rd Working Group meeting held on 12-13 December 2019, Parma, were agreed.³

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁴

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water, particularly the supporting information and occurrence and exposure. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

5th WG meeting on 24 January 2020.

¹ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

³ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wqs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

⁴ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00214>



SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN

MINUTES OF THE 3rd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 12-13 December 2019, EFSA, Parma

(Agreed on 13 December 2019)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Peter Massanyi¹, Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx, Henk Van Loveren, Thierry Guerin
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert
DATA Unit: Petra Gergelova²
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Veerle Vanheusden (EC).

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

¹ Participated on 12 December only.

² Participated on 13 December only.



3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence³ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management⁴, 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 the 2nd bis Working Group meeting held on 4 December 2019, Teleconference.

The minutes of the 2nd bis Working Group meeting held on 4 December 2019, Teleconference, were agreed.⁵

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁶

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water, particularly the supporting information, hazard identification and characterisation, previously reported occurrence data and previously reported exposure data. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

22 and 24 January 2019

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

⁴ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

⁵ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wqs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

⁶ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00214>



SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN

MINUTES OF THE 2nd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 31 October 2019, DG Sante, Brussels

(Agreed on 31 October 2019)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Peter Massanyi, Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx, Henk Van Loveren, Thierry Guerin
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
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- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Veerle Vanheusden.

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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 the 1st Working Group meeting held on 5 September 2019, Teleconference.

The minutes of the 1st Working Group meeting held on 5 September 2019, Teleconference, were agreed.³

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Draft opinion on the risks for public health related to the presence of Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)⁴

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the draft opinion on Nickel in food and drinking water, particularly the supporting information, previously reported occurrence and exposure data and the hazard identification. Tasks were distributed. The WG expressed the need to invite an additional WG member with expertise in neurotoxicity to join the WG

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

4 December 2019

¹ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

³ <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wqs/chemical-contaminants/wg-nickel-in-food.pdf>

⁴ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2019-00214>



SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN

MINUTES OF THE 1st MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NICKEL IN FOOD AND DRINKING WATER

Held on 05 September 2019, Teleconference

(Agreed on 05 September 2019)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Peter Massanyi, Elsa Nielsen (Chair), Christiane Vleminckx and Thierry Guerin
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
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- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert, Elena Rovesti
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Henk Van Loveren and Veerle Vanheusden.

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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 Nickel in food and drinking water (EFSA-Q-2019-00214)³

The members of the working group (WG) discussed the terms of reference of the mandate, the literature search, the approach for the assessment and the table of contents of the draft opinion on nickel in food and drinking water. Tasks were distributed.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

31 October 2019

¹ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

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