

Parma, 4 March 2011

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Madrid, 3-4 March 2011

(Agreed by the WG on 4 March 2011)

Participants

WG Experts: Miguel Gueimonde, Daisy Jonkers, Martinus Løvik (only the 1st day), Bevan Moseley, Maria Saarela, Yolanda Sanz, Stephan Strobel, Daniel Tomé (only the 1st day) and Hendrik van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok, Leng Heng.

1. Welcome and apologies

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 Declarations of Interests, EFSA secretariat screened the Annual Declarations of Interests (ADoI) and the Specific Declaration of Interests (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited at this meeting.

There were no specific interests declared for the agenda points of this meeting.

4. Discussions

In relation to the draft guidance document on scientific requirements for health claims related to gut and immune function, members were briefed about the discussions at the standing Working Group on Claims and at the Panel.

Scientific draft opinions on Articles 13(1) of Regulation (EC) 1924/2006 assigned to this working group were also discussed. After amendments they will be presented to the standing Working Group on Claims for discussion prior to their submission to the Panel.

5. Any other business

The minutes of this meeting was agreed by the SWG1.

Parma, 14 January 2011

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Parma, 13-14 January 2011

(Agreed by the WG on 14 January 2011)

Participants

WG Experts: Miguel Gueimonde, Daisy Jonkers, Martinus Løvik, Bevan Moseley, Maria Saarela, Seppo Salminen, Yolanda Sanz (only available via teleconference on the 2nd day), Stephan Strobel, Daniel Tomé and Hendrik van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok, Leng Heng, Juliane Kleiner.

1. Welcome and apologies

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 Declarations of Interests, EFSA secretariat screened the Annual Declarations of Interests (ADoI) and the Specific Declaration of Interests (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited at this meeting.

For agenda items related to a combination product containing *L. rhamnosus* GG and related to *B. animalis* ssp. *lactis* BB-12, Maria Saarela and Seppo Salminen declared an interest and refrained from discussion related to these Agenda items.

There were no other interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

In relation to the draft guidance document on scientific requirements for health claims related to gut and immune function, a revised version including relevant comments received were extensively discussed. The draft guidance will be presented to the standing Working Group on Claims for discussion prior to their submission to the Panel.

Scientific draft opinions on Articles 13(1) of Regulation (EC) 1924/2006 assigned to this working group were also discussed. After amendments they will be presented to the standing Working Group on Claims for discussion prior to their submission to the Panel.

The work plan was discussed and some workload/rapporteurship will be distributed in agreement with the chair.

5. Any other business

The minutes of this meeting was agreed by the SWG1.

Parma, 3 December 2010

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Amsterdam, 3 December 2010

(Agreed by the WG on 3 December 2010)

Participants

WG Experts: Miguel Gueimonde, Daisy Jonkers, Martinus Løvik, Bevan Moseley, Maria Saarela, Seppo Salminen, Yolanda Sanz, Stephan Strobel, Daniel Tomé and Hendrik van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok, Leng Heng, Juliane Kleiner.

1. Welcome and apologies

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 Declarations of Interests, EFSA secretariat screened the Annual Declarations of Interests (ADoI) and the Specific Declaration of Interests (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited at this meeting.

For agenda items related to a combination product containing *L. rhamnosus* GG and related to *B. animalis* ssp. *lactis* BB-12, Maria Saarela and Seppo Salminen declared an interest and refrained from discussion related to these Agenda items.

There were no other interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

In relation to the draft guidance document on scientific requirements for health claims related to gut and immune function, main issues/comments received during the exchanges of views with experts in the field at the scientific meeting held on 2 December 2010 in Amsterdam were extensively discussed. Relevant comments received prior to and during the meeting will be introduced into the draft guidance and will be presented to the standing Working Group on Claims for discussion prior to their submission to the Panel.

Scientific draft opinions on Articles 13(1) of Regulation (EC) 1924/2006 assigned to this working group were also discussed. After amendments they will be presented to the standing Working Group on Claims for discussion prior to their submission to the Panel.

The work plan was discussed and some workload/rapporteurship will be distributed in agreement with the chair.

5. Any other business

The minutes of this meeting and previous meetings were agreed by the SWG1. The next meeting will be on 13-14 January 2011.

Parma, 25 November 2010

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Amsterdam, 24 November 2010

(Agreed by the WG on 3 December 2010)

Participants

WG Experts: Jean-Louis Bresson, Miguel Gueimonde, Daisy Jonkers, Martinus Løvik, Bevan Moseley, Maria Saarela, Seppo Salminen, Yolanda Sanz, Stephan Strobel, Daniel Tomé and Hendrik van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok, Leng Heng, Juliane Kleiner.

1. Welcome and apologies

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 Declarations of Interests, EFSA secretariat screened the Annual Declarations of Interests (ADoI) and the Specific Declaration of Interests (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited at this meeting.

For agenda items related to *B. animalis* ssp. *lactis* BB-12, and to *L. rhamnosus* GG and combination product containing *L. rhamnosus* GG, Maria Saarela and Seppo Salminen declared an interest; however these items were not discussed in the meeting.

There were no other interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

Comments received during the public consultation on the draft guidance on scientific requirements for health claims related to gut and immune function (deadline for comments is 22 October 2010) were extensively discussed, which will serve as the basis for the scientific meeting with experts in the field to be held on 2 December 2010 in Amsterdam.

Some scientific draft opinions on Articles 13(1) of Regulation (EC) 1924/2006 assigned to this working group were also discussed. After amendments they will be presented to the standing Working Group on Claims for discussion prior to their submission to the Panel.

The work plan was discussed and some workload/rapporteurship will be distributed in agreement with the chair.

5. Any other business

The next meeting will be on 3 December 2010.

Parma, 17 September 2010

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Paris, 15-16 September 2010

(Agreed by the WG on 3 December 2010)

Participants

WG Experts: Jean-Louis Bresson, Miguel Gueimonde, Daisy Jonkers, Martinus Løvik, Bevan Moseley, Maria Saarela, Seppo Salminen, Yolanda Sanz, Stephan Strobel, Daniel Tomé and Hendrik van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok, Leng Heng.

1. Welcome and apologies

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 Declarations of Interests, EFSA secretariat screened the Annual Declarations of Interests (ADoI) and the Specific Declaration of Interests (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited at this meeting.

For agenda items related to *B. animalis* ssp. *lactis* BB-12, Maria Saarela and Seppo Salminen declared an interest at the beginning of the meeting and refrained from discussion related to this Agenda item.

There were no other interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

The draft guidance on scientific requirements for health claims related to gut and immune function were discussed and editorial comments were incorporated. The draft endorsed by the Panel will be for release for public consultation.

Scientific draft opinions on Articles 13(1) of Regulation (EC) 1924/2006 assigned to this working group were discussed. After amendments they will be presented to the standing Working Group on Claims for discussion prior to their submission to the Panel.

The work plan was discussed and some workload/rapporteurship will be distributed in agreement with the chair.

5. Any other business

The next meeting will be on 24 November 2010.

Parma, 2 July 2010

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Helsinki, 30 June-1 July 2010

(Agreed by the WG on 3 December 2010)

Participants

WG Experts: Jean-Louis Bresson, Maria Carmen Collado, Miguel Gueimonde, Daisy Jonkers, Martinus Løvik, Bevan Moseley, Maria Saarela, Seppo Salminen, Yolanda Sanz, Stephan Strobel, Daniel Tomé and Hendrik van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok, Leng Heng.

1. Welcome and apologies

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 Declarations of Interests, EFSA secretariat screened the Annual Declarations of Interests (ADoI) and the Specific Declaration of Interests (SDoI) filled in by the experts invited at this meeting.

For agenda items related to *B. animalis* ssp. *lactis* BB-12 and to *L. rhamnosus* ATCC53103, Maria Saarela and Seppo Salminen declared an interest and refrained from discussion related to these Agenda items.

For agenda item related to Yoghurt culture live, Jean-Louis Bresson declared an interest and refrained from discussion related to this Agenda item.

There were no other interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

General principles on scientific requirements for health claims related to gut and immune function were discussed. A draft guidance document will be prepared and presented to the standing Working Group on Claims for discussion prior to submission to the Panel for endorsement for release for public consultation.

Scientific draft opinions on Articles 13(1) of Regulation (EC) 1924/2006 assigned to this working group were discussed. After amendments they will be presented to the standing Working Group on Claims for discussion prior to their submission to the Panel.

The work plan was discussed and some workload/rapporteurship will be distributed in agreement with the chair.

5. Any other business

The next meeting will be on 15-16 September 2010.

Brussels, 30 March 2010

PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Brussels, 30 March 2010

(Agreed on 30 March 2010)

Participants

WG Experts: Jean-Louis Bresson, Maria Carmen Collado, Miguel Gueimonde, Daisy Jonkers, Martinus Løvik, Bevan Moseley, Maria Saarela, Seppo Salminen, Yolanda Sanz, Stephan Strobel, Daniel Tomé and Hendrik van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok, Leng Heng

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest

EFSA secretariat screened the ADoI and SDoI filled in by the scientific experts invited at this meeting in accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests.

In relation to the draft opinion on claims related to "prebiotics", Daisy Jonkers declared an interest for this item. Daisy Jonkers corrected that this was filled by mistake and she had no conflict of interest to declare related to specific substances clustered in this opinion.

There were no other interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

Specific draft opinions on article 13(1) claims assigned to this working group were discussed. After amendments they will be presented to the standing Working Group on Claims for discussion prior to their submission to the Panel.

Valencia, 29 January 2010

PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Valencia, 28-29 January 2010

(Agreed on 29 January 2010)

Participants

WG Experts: Maria Carmen Collado, Miguel Gueimonde, Martinus Løvik, Maria Saarela, Seppo Salminen, Yolanda Sanz, Stephan Strobel, Daniel Tomé and Hendrik van Loveren (Chair)

EFSA: Janusz Ciok, Leng Heng

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest

EFSA secretariat screened the ADoI and SDoI filled in by the scientific experts invited at this meeting in accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests.

With regard to the specific items on the agenda for this meeting: there were no interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

Specific draft opinions on article 13(1) claims assigned to this working group were discussed. After amendments they will be presented to the standing Working Group on Claims for discussion prior to their submission to the Panel. Additional tasks were distributed.

Brussels, 10 December 2010

PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Brussels, 10 December 2009

Participants

WG Experts: Maria Carmen Collado, Miguel Gueimonde, Daisy Jonkers, Bevan Moseley, Maria Saarela, Seppo Salminen, Yolanda Sanz, Stephan Strobel and Hendrik van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok, Leng Heng

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest

EFSA secretariat screened the ADoI and SDoI filled in by the scientific experts invited at this meeting in accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests.

In relation to the draft opinion on claims related to "prebiotics", Daisy Jonkers declared an interest for this item. Daisy Jonkers corrected that this was filled by mistake and she had no conflict of interest to declare related to specific substances clustered in this opinion.

There were no other interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

Specific draft opinions on article 13(1) claims assigned to this working group were discussed. After amendments they will be presented to the standing Working Group on Claims for discussion prior to their submission to the Panel. Additional tasks were distributed.

Parma, 19 October 2009

PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Amsterdam, 19 October 2009

Participants

WG Experts: Miguel Gueimonde, Daisy Jonkers, Maria Saarela, Seppo Salminen, Yolanda Sanz, Stephan Strobel and Hendrik van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok, Leng Heng

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest

EFSA secretariat screened the ADoI and SDoI filled in by the scientific experts invited at this meeting in accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests. With regard to the specific items on the agenda for this meeting, interests were declared and actions were taken as follows:

In relation to the draft opinion on *Lactobacillus casei Shirota*, Daisy Jonkers and Seppo Salminen declared an interest and refrained from the discussion for this Agenda item.

In relation to the draft opinion on a claim related to *Lactobacillus johnsonii*, Seppo Salminen indicated an intellectual interest and was allowed to participate in the general discussion for this Agenda item.

There were no other interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

Specific draft opinions on article 13 claims assigned to this working group were discussed. Additional tasks were distributed.

Parma, 12 June 2009

PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Brussels, 10 June 2009

(Agreed on 10 June 2009)

Participants

WG Experts: Miguel Gueimonde, Martinus Lovik, Bevan Moseley, Maria Saarela, Henk van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest

EFSA secretariat screened the ADoI and SDoI filled in by the scientific experts invited at this meeting in accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests.

In relation to the draft opinion on *Lactobacillus casei* F19 (LMG P-17806), Maria Saarela declared an interest and refrained from the discussion for this Agenda item.

There were no other interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

Specific draft opinions on article 13 claims assigned to this working group were discussed. Additional tasks were distributed.

Vienna, 20 May 2009

PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Vienna, 19-20 May 2009

(Agreed on 20 May 2009)

Participants

WG Experts: Maria Carmen Collado (invited expert), Daisy Jonkers, Miguel Gueimonde, Martinus Lovik, Bevan Moseley, Maria Saarela, Stephan Strobel, Henk van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest

EFSA secretariat screened the ADoI and SDoI filled in by the scientific experts invited at this meeting in accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests.

In relation to the draft opinion on *Lactobacillus casei Shirota*, Daisy Jonkers and Seppo Salminen declared an interest and refrained from the discussion for this Agenda item.

In relation to the draft opinion on *Lactobacillus casei* F19 (LMG P-17806), Maria Saarela declared an interest and refrained from the discussion for this Agenda item.

There were no other interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

Specific draft opinions on article 13 claims assigned to this working group were discussed. Additional tasks were distributed.

Parma, 22 April 2009

PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Parma, 21-22 April 2009

(Agreed on 22 April 2009)

Participants

WG Experts: Maria Carmen Collado (invited expert), Daisy Jonkers, Miguel Gueimonde, Martinus Lovik, Maria Saarela, Stephan Strobel, Henk van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok, Leng Heng

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest

EFSA secretariat screened the ADoI and SDoI filled in by the scientific experts invited at this meeting in accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests. With regard to the specific items on the agenda for this meeting, interests were declared and actions were taken as follows:

In relation to the draft opinions on *Lactobacillus casei Shirota*, Daisy Jonkers declared an interest and refrained from the discussion for these Agenda items.

In relation to the draft opinions on "GOS" and prebiotic/bifidogenic, Maria Saarela declared an interest and refrained from the discussion for these Agenda items.

There were no other interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

Specific draft opinions on article 13 claims assigned to this working group were discussed. Additional tasks were distributed.

Parma, 17 March 2009

PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Amsterdam, 4-5 March 2009

Participants

WG Experts: Maria Carmen Collado (invited expert), Miguel Gueimonde, Daisy Jonkers, Martinus Lovik, Bevan Moseley, Seppo Salminen, Stephan Strobel, Hania Szajewska, Henk van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok, Leng Heng, Juliane Kleiner

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest

EFSA secretariat screened the ADoI and SDoI filled in by the scientific experts invited at this meeting in accordance with EFSA's Policy on Declarations of Interests.

In relation to the draft opinion on *Bifidobacterium animalis* ssp. *lactis* Bb-12, Hania Szajewska and Seppo Salminen declared an interest and refrained from discussion for this Agenda item.

In relation to the draft opinions on *Lactobacillus casei* Shirota, Seppo Salminen declared an interest and refrained from the discussion for this Agenda item.

In relation to the draft opinions on *Lactobacillus casei* Shirota, and *Bifidobacterium breve* Yakult (BbY), Daisy Jonkers declared an interest and refrained from the discussion for these Agenda items.

There were no other interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

Specific draft opinions on article 13 claims assigned to this working group were discussed. Additional tasks were distributed.

Parma, 28 January 2009

PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Frankfurt, 28 January 2009

Participants

WG Experts: Miguel Gueimonde, Bevan Moseley, Stephan Strobel, Seppo Salminen, Hania Szajewska, Henk van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Janusz Ciok, Leng Heng

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest

In relation to the draft opinion on *Bifidobacterium animalis ssp. lactis* Bb-12, Seppo Salminen declared an interest at the beginning of the meeting and refrained from discussion for this Agenda item.

There were no other interests declared by the experts.

4. Discussions

Specific draft opinions on article 13 claims assigned to this working group were discussed. Additional tasks were distributed.

Parma, 29 October 2008

PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Amsterdam, 29 October 2008

Participants

WG Experts: Miguel Gueimonde, Bevan Moseley, Martinus Lovik, Stephan Strobel, Hania Szajewska, Henk van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Juliane Kleiner, Leng Heng

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest

There were no specific interests declared for the agenda points of this meeting.

4. Discussions

The general principles for the evaluation of article 13 claims and specific draft opinions on article 13 claims assigned to this working group were discussed. Additional tasks were distributed.

Parma, 5 September 2008

PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

**Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune
Teleconference on 5 September 2008**

Participants

WG Experts: Miguel Gueimonde, Bevan Moseley, Martinus Lovik, Seppo Salminen,
Stephan Strobel, Hania Szajewska, Henk van Loveren (Chair).

EFSA: Leng Heng

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest

There were no specific interests declared for the agenda points of this meeting.

4. Discussions

The general principles for the evaluation of article 13 claims and specific draft opinions on article 13 claims assigned to this working group were discussed. Additional tasks were distributed.

Parma, 24 July 2008

PANEL ON DIETETIC PRODUCTS, NUTRITION AND ALLERGIES

Minutes of the Claims Sub-Working Group 1 on gut and immune

Vienna, 4 July 2008

Participants

WG Experts: Miguel Gueimonde, Henk van Loveren (Chair), Martinus Lovik, Seppo Salminen, Stephan Strobel, Hania Szajewska.

EFSA: Leng Heng

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest

There were no specific interests declared for the agenda points of this meeting.

4. Discussions

The general principles for the evaluation of article 13 claims and specific draft opinions on article 13 claims assigned to this working group were discussed. Additional tasks were distributed.