



SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURING (FAF)

MINUTES OF THE 14TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE RE- EVALUATION OF MISCELLANEOUS FOOD ADDITIVES

Held on 26th -28th May 2020, web-conference

(Agreed on 28th May 2020)

This meeting, originally scheduled as a physical meeting, was converted into a teleconference to avoid traveling to EFSA in line with the measures established to reduce the risk of coronavirus infection.

Participants

■ Working Group Members:

Alessandro Di Domenico, Maria Jose Frutos Fernandez (Chair), Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair), Metka Filipič and Ruud Woutersen

- Alicja Mortensen participated on 27 and 28 May 2020
- Riccardo Crebelli participated on 28 May 2020
- Polly Boon participated on 26 May 2020
- Hendrik Van Loveren participated on 26 May 2020

■ **European Commission** and/or Member States representatives: Not present

■ EFSA:

FIP Unit: Ana Campos Fernandes, Alessandra Giarola, Federica Lodi, Galvin Eyong Ndip, Ana Maria Rincon and Alexandra Tard.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Romina Shah.



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. Scientific topic for discussion

4.1. Polyvinylpyrrolidone (E 1201)/ Polyvinylpolypyrrolidone (E 1202) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00584](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00585](#))

The WG discussed the revised opinion. This agenda item will be discussed at a forthcoming Plenary meeting.

4.2. Polydextrose (E 1200) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00583](#))

The WG discussed the revised opinion. This agenda item will be discussed at a forthcoming Working Group meeting.

4.3. Shellac (E 904) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00705](#))

The opinion was not discussed due to lack of time. This agenda item will be discussed at a forthcoming Working Group meeting.

5. Any Other Business

5.1. Minutes of the 14th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 26th -28th May 2020 were agreed.

5.2. Date for next Working Group meeting: to be confirmed

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SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURING (FAF)

MINUTES OF THE 13TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE RE-EVALUATION OF MISCELLANEOUS FOOD ADDITIVES

Held on 3rd-5th March 2020, web-conference

(Agreed on 5th March 2020)

This meeting, originally scheduled as a physical meeting, was converted into a teleconference to avoid traveling to EFSA in line with the measures established to reduce the risk of coronavirus infection.

Participants

■ Working Group Members:

Alessandro Di Domenico, Maria Jose Frutos Fernandez (Chair), Alicja Mortensen, Metka Filipič and Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair)

- Ruud Woutersen participated on 3-4 March 2020;
- Riccardo Crebelli participated on 3 and 5 March 2020
- Polly Boon participated on 4 March 2020
- Romina Shah participated on 3 March 2020
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives: Not present

■ EFSA:

FIP Unit: Ana Campos Fernandes, Galvin Eyon Ndip, Alessandra Giarola, Federica Lodi, Rincon Ana, Alexandra Tard

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

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

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.



3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Scientific topic for discussion

4.1. **Polyvinylpyrrolidone (E 1201)/ Polyvinylpolypyrrolidone (E 1202)** **([EFSA-Q-2011-00584](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00585](#))**

The WG discussed the revised opinion after the comments received from the FAF Panel and the additional information received from interested parties. This agenda item will be discussed at a forthcoming Working Group meeting.

4.2. **Polydextrose (E 1200) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00583](#))**

Some parts of the opinion were discussed. This agenda item will be discussed at a forthcoming Working Group meeting.

4.3. **Shellac (E 904) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00705](#))**

The additional information provided by interested parties was discussed. The opinion was not discussed. This agenda item will be discussed at a forthcoming Working Group meeting.

5. Any Other Business

5.1. Minutes of the 13th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 3rd-5th March 2020 were agreed.

5.2. Date for next Working Group meeting: to be confirmed

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SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURING (FAF)

MINUTES OF THE 12TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE RE-EVALUATION OF MISCELLANEOUS FOOD ADDITIVES

Held on 14th-16th January 2020, Parma

(Agreed on 16th January 2020)

Participants

■ Working Group Members:

- Polly Boon, Alessandro Di Domenico, Maria Jose Frutos Fernandez (Chair), Alicja Mortensen and Ruud Woutersen
- Romina Shah attended to agenda item 4.1 and 4.2 via web-conference
- Henk Van Loveren attended to agenda item 4.1 via web-conference
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives: Not present

■ EFSA:

FIP Unit: Petra Gergelova, Alessandra Giarola and Federica Lodi

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Riccardo Crebelli, Metka Filipič and Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair)

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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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. Scientific topic for discussion

4.1. Hydrogenated poly-1-decene (E 907) (EFSA-Q-2011-00707)

The WG implemented the comments received from the FAF Panel in the opinion and finalised it. This agenda item will be discussed at a forthcoming Plenary meeting.

4.2. Polyvinylpyrrolidone (E 1201)/ Polyvinylpolypyrrolidone (E 1202) (EFSA-Q-2011-00584; EFSA-Q-2011-00585)

The WG discussed the comments received from the FAF Panel in the opinion. This agenda item will be discussed at a forthcoming Working Group meeting.

4.3. Polydextrose (E 1200) (EFSA-Q-2011-00583)

Some parts of the opinion were discussed and next steps to move forward were noted. This agenda item will be discussed at a forthcoming Working Group meeting.

4.4. Shellac (E 904) (EFSA-Q-2011-00705)

The additional information provided by interested parties was discussed. The opinion was not discussed. This agenda item will be discussed at a forthcoming Working Group meeting.

5. Any Other Business

5.1. Minutes of the 12th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 14th-16th January 2020 were agreed.

5.2. Next Working Group meeting: tbc



SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURING (FAF)

MINUTES OF THE 11TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE RE-EVALUATION OF MISCELLANEOUS FOOD ADDITIVES

Held on 7-8 November 2019, teleconference

(Agreed on 8 November 2019)

Participants

■ **Working Group Members:**

■ Polly Boon, Riccardo Crebelli (2nd day), Alessandro Di Domenico, Metka Filipič (1st Day), Maria Jose Frutos Fernandez (Chair), Alicja Mortensen, Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair) and Ruud Woutersen

■ European Commission and/or Member States representatives: Not present

■ **EFSA:**

FIP Unit: Brian Flynn, Alessandra Giarola, Federica Lodi and Alexandra Tard

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Henk Van Loveren and Romina Shah.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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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. Scientific topic for discussion

4.1. Shellac (E 904) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00705](#))

The draft opinion was not discussed due to lack of time. This item will be discussed at a forthcoming WG meeting.

4.2. Polyvinylpyrrolidone (E 1201)/ Polyvinylpolypyrrolidone (E 1202) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00584](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00585](#))

The draft opinion has been discussed and finalised. This item will be discussed at a forthcoming Plenary meeting.

4.3. Polydextrose (E 1200) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00583](#))

The draft opinion was not discussed due to lack of time. This item will be discussed at a forthcoming WG meeting.

5. Any Other Business

5.1. Minutes of the 11th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 7-8 November 2019 were agreed.

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURING (FAF)

MINUTES OF THE 10TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE RE-EVALUATION OF MISCELLANEOUS FOOD ADDITIVES

Held on 2nd-4th October 2019, Parma

(Agreed on 4th October 2019)

Participants

■ Working Group Members:

- Maria Jose Frutos Fernandez (Chair), Alicja Mortensen, Henk Van Loveren, Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair) and Ruud Woutersen
- Polly Boon, Riccardo Crebelli, Alessandro Di Domenico, Metka Filipič and Romina Shah participated via web-conference
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives: Not present

■ EFSA:

FIP Unit: Brian Flynn, Alessandra Giarola, Federica Lodi and Alexandra Tard

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

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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. Scientific topic for discussion

4.1. Shellac (E 904) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00705](#))

The draft opinion was not discussed due to lack of time. This item will be discussed at a forthcoming WG meeting.

4.2. Polyvinylpyrrolidone (E 1201)/ Polyvinylpolypyrrolidone (E 1202) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00584](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00585](#))

The draft opinion has been discussed and this item will be discussed again at a forthcoming WG meeting.

4.3. Polydextrose (E 1200) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00583](#))

Some sections of the opinion have been discussed. This item will be discussed again at a forthcoming WG meeting.

5. Any Other Business

5.1. Date for the next WG meeting: 7th -8th November (TC)

5.2. Minutes of the 10th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 2nd-4th October 2019 were agreed.

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURING (FAF)

MINUTES OF THE 9TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE RE-EVALUATION OF MISCELLANEOUS FOOD ADDITIVES

Held on 9th-11th July 2019, Parma

(Agreed on 11^h July 2019)

Participants

■ Working Group Members:

- Polly Boon, Alessandro Di Domenico, Metka Filipič, Maria Jose Frutos Fernandez (Chair), Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair), Ruud Woutersen
- Alicja Mortensen and Romina Shah participated via web-conference
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives: Not present

■ EFSA:

FIP Unit: Stefania Barmaz, Brian Flynn, Alessandra Giarola, Federica Lodi and Alexandra Tard
Data Unit: Petra Gergelova

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Riccardo Crebelli and Henk Van Loveren.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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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. Scientific topic for discussion

4.1. Sulphuric acid (E 513), Sodium sulphate (E 514), Sodium hydrogen sulphate (E 514 (ii)), Potassium sulphate (E 515 (i)), Potassium hydrogen sulphate (E 515 (ii)), Calcium sulphate (E 516), Ammonium sulphate (E 517) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00662](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00663](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00664](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00665](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00666](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00667](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00668](#))

The draft opinion has been re-discussed and finalised based on the comments received from FAF Panel members. The opinion will be presented at a forthcoming FAF Panel meeting.

4.2. Benzyl alcohol (E 1519) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00590](#))

The draft opinion has been re-discussed and finalised based on the comments received from FAF Panel member. The opinion will be presented at a forthcoming FAF Panel meeting.

4.3. Hydrogenated poly-1-decene (E 907) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00707](#))

The Working Group discussed and finalised the draft opinion that will be presented to a forthcoming FAF Panel meeting.

4.4. Shellac (E 904) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00705](#))

The draft opinion was not discussed due to lack of time. This item will be discussed at a forthcoming WG meeting.

4.5. Polyvinylpyrrolidone (E 1201)/ Polyvinylpolypyrrolidone (E 1202) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00584](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00585](#))

Some sections of the draft opinion have been discussed. This item will be discussed again at a forthcoming WG meeting.

4.6. Polydextrose (E 1200) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00583](#))

The draft opinion was not discussed due to lack of time. This item will be discussed at a forthcoming WG meeting.



5. Any Other Business

5.1. Date for the next WG meeting:

2nd October (PM) – 4th October (AM), Parma

5.2. Minutes of the 9th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 9th-11th July 2019 were agreed.

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURING (FAF)

MINUTES OF THE 8TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE RE-EVALUATION OF MISCELLANEOUS FOOD ADDITIVES

Held on 15th-17th May 2019, Parma

(Agreed on 17th May 2019)

Participants

■ Working Group Members:

- Polly Boon, Alessandro Di Domenico, Metka Filipič, Maria Jose Frutos Fernandez (Chair), Alicja Mortensen, Henk Van Loveren, Romina Shah, Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair)
- Ruud Woutersen (Vice Chair) participate via web-conference on Day 3
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives: Not present

■ EFSA:

FIP Unit: Brian Flynn, Alessandra Giarola, Federica Lodi and Alexandra Tard

Data Unit: Petra Gergelova and Francesca Riolo.

NUTRI Unit: Agnes De Sesmaisons - Lecarre

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Riccardo Crebelli.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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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. Scientific topic for discussion

4.1. Hydrochloric acid (E 507), Potassium chloride (E 508), Calcium chloride (E 509), Magnesium chloride (E 511) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00657](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00658](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00659](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00660](#))

The draft opinion has been finalised and will be presented at a forthcoming FAF Panel meeting.

4.2. Sulphuric acid (E 513), Sodium sulphate (E 514), Sodium hydrogen sulphate (E 514 (ii)), Potassium sulphate (E 515 (i)), Potassium hydrogen sulphate (E 515 (ii)), Calcium sulphate (E 516), Ammonium sulphate (E 517) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00662](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00663](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00664](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00665](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00666](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00667](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00668](#))

The draft opinion has been finalised and will be presented at a forthcoming FAF Panel meeting.

4.3. Benzyl alcohol (E 1519) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00590](#))

The draft opinion has been finalised and will be presented at a forthcoming FAF Panel meeting.

4.4. Hydrogenated poly-1 decene (E 907) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00707](#))

The Working Group discussed the draft opinion that will be presented to a forthcoming WG meeting.

4.5. Shellac (E 904) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00705](#))

The Working Group discussed the exposure section of the draft opinion and had a general discussion on the next steps to be taken. This item will be discussed again at a forthcoming WG meeting.

4.6. Polyvinylpyrrolidone (E 1201)/ Polyvinylpolypyrrolidone (E 1202) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00584](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00585](#))

The draft opinion was not discussed due to lack of time but the WG had a general discussion on the next steps to be taken. This item will be discussed again at a forthcoming WG meeting.

4.7. Polydextrose (E 1200) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00583](#))

The draft opinion was not discussed due to lack of time but the WG had a general discussion on the next steps to be taken. This item will be discussed again at a forthcoming WG meeting.



5. Any Other Business

5.1. Date for the next WG meeting:

9th July (PM) – 11th July (AM), Parma

5.2. Minutes of the 8th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 15th-17th May 2019 were agreed.



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MINUTES OF THE 7TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE RE- EVALUATION OF MISCELLANEOUS FOOD ADDITIVES

Held on 12th-14th March 2019, Alicante

(Agreed on 14th March 2019)

Participants

■ **Working Group Members:**

- Polly Boon, Maria Jose Frutos Fernandez (Chair), Alicja Mortensen, Henk Van Loveren, Romina Shah Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair) and Ruud Woutersen (Vice Chair)
- Alessandro Di Domenico and participated via teleconference
- Metka Filipič participated in Day 2 (PM) and Day 3 via teleconference
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives: Not present

■ **EFSA:**

FIP Unit: Dimitrios Chrysafidis, Alessandra Giarola, Federica Lodi and Alexandra Tard
Data Unit: Francesca Riolo.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Riccardo Crebelli.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members



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4. Scientific topic for discussion

4.1. Hydrochloric acid (E 507), Potassium chloride (E 508), Calcium chloride (E 509), Magnesium chloride (E 511) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00657](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00658](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00659](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00660](#))

The draft opinion has been finalised and will be presented at a forthcoming FAF Panel meeting.

4.2. Sulphuric acid (E 513), Sodium sulphate (E 514), Sodium hydrogen sulphate (E 514 (ii)), Potassium sulphate (E 515 (i)), Potassium hydrogen sulphate (E 515 (ii)), Calcium sulphate (E 516), Ammonium sulphate (E 517) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00662](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00663](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00664](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00665](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00666](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00667](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00668](#))

The Working Group discussed the full opinion that will be presented to a forthcoming WG meeting.

4.3. Benzyl alcohol (E 1519) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00590](#))

The Working Group discussed the full opinion that will be presented to a forthcoming WG meeting.

4.4. Hydrogenated poly-1 decene (E 907) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00707](#))

The Working Group discussed the full opinion that will be presented to a forthcoming WG meeting.

4.5. Shellac (E 904) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00705](#))

The Working Group had a general discussion on some of the information submitted by interested parties. This item will be discussed again at a forthcoming WG meeting.

4.6. Polyvinylpyrrolidone (E 1201)/ Polyvinylpolypyrrolidone (E 1202) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00584](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00585](#))

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The Working Group had a general discussion on the approach considered for the literature search and agreed on the way forward. This item will be discussed again at a forthcoming WG meeting.

4.7. Polydextrose (E 1200) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00583](#))

The WG was informed on the latest development on this draft opinion. This item will be discussed again at a forthcoming WG meeting.

5. Any Other Business

5.1. Date for the next WG meeting:

15th May (PM) – 17th May (AM)

5.2. Minutes of the 7th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 12th-14th March 2019 were agreed.

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURING (FAF)

MINUTES OF THE 6TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE RE- EVALUATION OF MISCELLANEOUS FOOD ADDITIVES – SUBGROUP MEETING

Held on 5th March 2019, web conference

(Agreed on 5th March 2019)

Participants

- Working Group Members: Alicja Mortensen, Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair) and Ruud Woutersen (Vice Chair)
- Hearing expert: Ursula Gundert-Remi
- EFSA:
FIP Unit: Alessandra Giarola (Chair)

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

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.

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4. Scientific topic for discussion

- 4.1. Hydrochloric acid (E 507), Potassium chloride (E 508), Calcium chloride (E 509), Magnesium chloride (E 511) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00657](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00658](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00659](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00660](#))**

The opinion has been finalised and will be presented at a forthcoming FAF Panel meeting.

5. Any Other Business

- 5.1. Minutes of the 6th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 05th March 2019 were agreed.**

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURING (FAF)

MINUTES OF THE 5TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE RE-EVALUATION OF MISCELLANEOUS FOOD ADDITIVES – SUBGROUP MEETING

Held on 19th February 2019, web conference

(Agreed on 19th February 2019)

Participants

- Working Group Members: Polly Boon, Alicja Mortensen, Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair) and Ruud Woutersen (Vice Chair)
- EFSA:
 - FIP Unit: Alessandra Giarola (Chair)
 - Data Unit: Francesca Riolo

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda and notes from previous meeting were adopted without changes

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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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. Feedback from FAF Panel, EFSA and European Commission

None

5. Scientific topic for discussion

- 5.1. Hydrochloric acid (E 507), Potassium chloride (E 508), Calcium chloride (E 509), Magnesium chloride (E 511) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00657](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00658](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00659](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00660](#))**

The Working Group discussed the exposure and toxicological sections up to genotoxicity section. The opinion will be presented at a forthcoming WG meeting.

6. Any Other Business

- 6.1. Minutes of the 5th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 19th February 2019 were agreed.**

7. Next meeting(s)

- 7.1. Date for the next WG meetings -subgroup in 2019 was confirmed: 5th March 10-13 (AM) via web conference**
- 7.2. Date for the next WG meetings in 2019 was confirmed: 12th March (PM) – 14th March (AM)**

Scientific Panel on Food Additives and Flavouring (FAF)

Minutes of the 4th Meeting of the Working Group on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives

Held on 16th-18th January 2019, Parma (Italy)

(Agreed on 18th January 2019)

Participants

■ **Working Group Members:**

- Polly Boon, Riccardo Crebelli, Alessandro Di Domenico, Metka Filipič, Maria Jose Frutos Fernandez (Chair), Alicja Mortensen, Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair), Henk Van Loveren and Ruud Woutersen (Vice Chair)
- Romina Shah participated via teleconference in agenda points 5.1 and 5.3

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

Not present

■ **EFSA**

FIP Unit: Dimitrios Chrysafidis, Alessandra Giarola, Federica Lodi and Alexandra Tard.

Data Unit: Petra Gergelova and Francesca Riolo.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda and notes from previous meeting

The agenda and notes from previous meeting were adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest²,

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

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. Feedback from FAF Panel, EFSA and European Commission

The Chair gave a feedback from the last FAF Panel meeting, where the opinion on Chlorides was discussed.

5. Scientific outputs submitted for discussion

5.1. Hydrochloric acid (E 507), Potassium chloride (E 508), Calcium chloride (E 509), Magnesium chloride (E 511) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00657](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00658](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00659](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00660](#))

The Working Group discussed the full opinion considering the feedback received by FAF Panel. The opinion will be presented at a forthcoming WG meeting.

5.2. Sulphuric acid (E 513), Sodium sulphates (E 514), Sodium hydrogen sulphate (E 514 (ii)), Potassium sulphate (E 515 (i)), Potassium hydrogen sulphate (E 515 (ii)), Calcium sulphate (E 516), Ammonium sulphate (E 517) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00662](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00663](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00664](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00665](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00666](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00667](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00668](#))

The Working Group discussed the full opinion that will be presented to a forthcoming WG meeting.

5.3. Benzyl alcohol (E 1519) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00590](#))

The Working Group discussed the draft opinion that will be presented at a forthcoming WG meeting.

5.4. Hydrogenated poly-1 decene (E 907) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00707](#))

The Working Group discussed the draft opinion that will be presented at a forthcoming WG meeting.

5.5. Shellac (E 904) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00705](#))

The Working Group had a general discussion on some of the aspects of the technical and toxicological data which should be investigated further. This item will be discussed again at a forthcoming WG meeting.

5.6. Polyvinylpyrrolidone (E 1201)/ Polyvinylpolypyrrolidone (E 1202) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00584](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00585](#))

The Working Group had a discussion on the approach considered for the literature search and some proposals were made to move forward. Some parts of the opinion (i.e. Technical and biological data based on the information received from interested parties as well as the exposure assessment) were also discussed. This item will be discussed again at a forthcoming WG meeting.

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

6. Any Other Business

- 6.1. Minutes of the 4th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 16th-18th January 2018 were agreed.
- 6.2. Date for the next WG meetings in 2019 was confirmed:
 - 12 March (PM) – 14 March (AM)

Scientific Panel on Food Additives and Flavouring (FAF)

Minutes of the 3rd Meeting of the Working Group on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives

Held on 21st-23rd November 2018, Parma (Italy)

(Agreed on 23rd November 2018)

Participants

■ **Working Group Members:**

- Riccardo Crebelli, Alessandro Di Domenico, Maria Jose Frutos Fernandez (Chair) Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair) and Ruud Woutersen (Vice Chair)
- Henk Van Loveren participated in agenda points 5.1, 5.2, 5.5 and 5.6
- Alicja Mortensen participated in agenda point 5.1 and 5.2
- Metka Filipič, participated via teleconference in agenda points 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5 and 5.6
- Romina Shah participated via teleconference in agenda points 5.1

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

Not present

■ **EFSA**

FIP Unit: Dimitrios Chrysafidis, Alessandra Giarola and Federica Lodi

Data Unit: Petra Gergelova and Francesca Riolo.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda and notes from previous meeting

The agenda and notes were adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest², 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. Feedback from FAF Panel, EFSA and European Commission

The Chair gave a feedback from the last FAF Panel meeting, where the opinion on Chlorides was not discussed due to lack of time, informing that this opinion will be in the agenda for the next Panel meeting.

5. Scientific outputs submitted for discussion

5.1. Hydrochloric acid (E 507), Potassium chloride (E 508), Calcium chloride (E 509), Magnesium chloride (E 511) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00657](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00658](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00659](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00660](#))

The Working Group re-discussed the full opinion that will be presented at the forthcoming Plenary meeting.

5.2. Sulphuric acid (E 513), Sodium sulphates (E 514), Sodium hydrogen sulphate (E 514 (ii)), Potassium sulphate (E 515 (i)), Potassium hydrogen sulphate (E 515 (ii)), Calcium sulphate (E 516), Ammonium sulphate (E 517) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00662](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00663](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00664](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00665](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00666](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00667](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00668](#))

The Working Group discussed the full opinion that will be presented to a forthcoming Plenary meeting.

5.3. Benzyl alcohol (E 1519) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00590](#))

The Working Group discussed the draft opinion that will be presented at the forthcoming WG meeting.

5.4. Hydrogenated poly-1 decene (E 907) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00707](#))

The Working Group discussed the draft opinion that will be presented at the forthcoming WG meeting.

5.5. Shellac (E 904) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00705](#))

The Working Group had a general discussion on the chemistry and toxicity data available, and identified the need to ask for further clarifications to the interested parties. This item will be discussed again at the forthcoming WG meeting.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

5.6. Polyvinylpyrrolidone (E 1201)/ Polyvinylpolypyrrolidone (E 1202) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00584](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00585](#))

The Working Group had a general discussion on the information received from the call for data and on the approach to be taken for the literature search to be performed. This item will be discussed again at the forthcoming WG meeting.

6. Any Other Business

- 6.1. Minutes of the 3rd Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 21st -23rd November 2018 were agreed.
- 6.2. The Working Group identified the need for the following area of expertise: dietary exposure assessment. An additional member would be identified to cover this area.
- 6.3. Dates for the next WG meetings in 2019 were defined:
 - 16 January (PM) - 18 January (AM)
 - 12 March (PM) – 14 March (AM)
 - 15 May (PM) - 17 May (AM)

Scientific Panel on Food Additives and Flavouring (FAF)

Minutes of the 2nd Meeting of the Working Group on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives

Held on 22nd-24th October 2018, Parma (Italy)

(Agreed on 24th October 2018)

Participants

■ **Working Group Members:**

- Alessandro Di Domenico, Metka Filipič, Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair) and Ruud Woutersen (Vice Chair)
- Riccardo Crebelli and Alicja Mortensen participated in agenda point 5.1.
- Maria Jose Frutos Fernandez (Chair) participated via teleconference in agenda points 5.1, 5.2, 5.5 and 5.6.
- Romina Shah participated via teleconference in agenda points 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4.

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

Not present

■ **EFSA**

FIP Unit: Eleonora Alquati, Dimitrios Chrysafidis, Alessandra Giarola and Federica Lodi

Data Unit: Petra Gergelova, Zsuzsanna Horvath and Francesca Riolo.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies received from Henk Van Loveren.

Ine Waalkens-Berendsen (Vice Chair) chaired the meeting on 23rd October in the absence of the Chair.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Feedback from FAF Panel, EFSA and European Commission

None

5. Scientific outputs submitted for discussion

5.1. Hydrochloric acid (E 507), Potassium chloride (E 508), Calcium chloride (E 509), Magnesium chloride (E 511) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00657](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00658](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00659](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00660](#))

The Working Group discussed the full opinion that will be presented at the forthcoming Plenary meeting.

5.2. Sulphuric acid (E 513), Sodium sulphates (E 514), Sodium hydrogen sulphate (E 514 (ii)), Potassium sulphate (E 515 (i)), Potassium hydrogen sulphate (E 515 (ii)), Calcium sulphate (E 516), Ammonium sulphate (E 517) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00662](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00663](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00664](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00665](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00666](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00667](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00668](#))

The Working Group discussed the full opinion that will be presented at the forthcoming WG meeting.

5.3. Benzyl alcohol (E 1519) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00590](#))

The Working Group discussed the exposure assessment. The draft opinion will be presented at the forthcoming WG meeting.

5.4. Hydrogenated poly-1 decene (E 907) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00707](#))

The Working Group discussed the exposure assessment. The draft opinion will be presented at the forthcoming WG meeting.

5.5. Polyvinylpyrrolidone (E 1201)/ Polyvinylpolypyrrolidone (E 1202) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00584](#)) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00585](#))

The Working Group had a general discussion on the approach to take including the literature search to be performed. This item will be discussed again at the forthcoming WG meeting.

5.6. Shellac (E 904) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00705](#))

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

The Working Group had a general discussion on the chemistry and the different tasks were distributed among the experts. This item will be discussed again at the forthcoming WG meeting.

6. Any Other Business

- 6.1. Minutes of the 2th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 22nd -24th October 2018 were agreed.
- 6.2. Dates for the next WG meetings in 2018 were defined:
 - 21st-23rd November 2018

Scientific Panel on Food Additives and Flavouring (FAF)

Minutes of the 1th Meeting of the Working Group on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives

Held on 24th -25th September 2018, Parma (Italy)

(Agreed on 25th September 2018)

Participants

■ **Working Group Members:**

- Alessandro Di Domenico, Metka Filipič, Maria Jose Frutos Fernandez (Chair), Alicja Mortensen, Ine Waalkens-Berendsen, Henk Van Loveren and Ruud Woutersen.

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

Not present

■ **EFSA**

FIP Unit: Eleonora Alquati, Alessandra Giarola, Federica Lodi and Camilla Smeraldi

Data Unit: Petra Gergelova, Zsuzsanna Horvath and Francesca Riolo.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies received from Riccardo Crebelli.

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 and Scientific Decision-Making Processes¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest², 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.

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4. Feedback from ANS Panel, EFSA and European Commission

None

5. Appointment of Vice Chair and Rapporteurs

Ine Waalkens-Berendsen and Ruud Woutersen have been appointed as Vice-Chairs of this Working Group (WG).

The WG has been informed that Romina Shah will be a new member of this WG to provide support on the exposure issues.

The WG has been also informed on the new rules in EFSA regarding the appointment of the Rapporteurs, in order to face the budget constraints. From July 2018, the Rapporteurs should be appointed only in exceptional cases whose definitions are currently under discussion.

6. Update on the current status of opinions and exposure assessment

A presentation on the current status of the food additives to be re-evaluated and the data available, including data on exposure assessment, was given.

A distribution of tasks for each opinion has been decided.

7. Scientific outputs submitted for discussion

7.1. Hydrochloric acid (E 507), Potassium chloride (E 508), Calcium chloride (E 509), Magnesium chloride (E 511) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00657](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00658](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00659](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00660](#))

The Working Group discussed the full opinion that will be presented at the forthcoming WG meeting.

7.2. Sulphuric acid (E 513), Sodium sulphates (E 514), Sodium hydrogen sulphate (E 514 (ii)), Potassium sulphate (E 515 (i)), Potassium hydrogen sulphate (E 515 (ii)), Calcium sulphate (E 516), Ammonium sulphate (E 517) ([EFSA-Q-2011-00662](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00663](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00664](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00665](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00666](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00667](#); [EFSA-Q-2011-00668](#))

The Working Group discussed the exposure assessment. The distribution of tasks has been decided and the opinion will be presented at the forthcoming WG meeting.

8. Any Other Business

8.1. Minutes of the 1th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of miscellaneous food additives held on 24th-25th September 2018 were agreed.

8.2. Dates for the next WG meetings in 2018 were defined:

- 22nd-24th October 2018
- 21st-23rd November 2018