



SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURINGS

MINUTES OF THE 8^{TH} MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON FOOD ADDITIVES PERMITTED IN FOODS FOR INFANTS BELOW 16 WEEKS OF AGE

Physical meeting 29 November 2019

(Agreed on 29 November 2019)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
 - Laurence Castle; Peter Fürst (via teleconference); Ursula Gundert Remy (Chair); Ine Waalkens-Berendsen; Detlef Wölfle; Birgit Dusemund and Dominique Turck (via teleconference)
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives: Guillermo Cardon, Jiri Sochor
- EFSA:

FIP Unit: Stefania Barmaz, Alexandra Tard (via teleconference)

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 Management^{2,} 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

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





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. Template for the opinions on the re-evaluation of food additives used in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age

This item was postponed.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Re-evaluation of ascorbyl palmitate (E 304i) as a food additive in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age³

The draft opinion was finalised and will be tabled for possible adoption at the FAF Panel plenary meeting (28-30 January 2020).

5.2. Revision of the opinion on the re-evaluation of starch sodium octenyl succinate (E 1450) as a food additive in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age

The opinion was re-elaborated to account for the comments received and will be tabled for possible adoption at the FAF Panel plenary meeting (10-12 December 2019).

6. Overview of the responses received to the calls for data

6.1. An overview of the ongoing call for data and of the responses received

An overview of the ongoing call for data and of the responses received so far was presented to the Working Group.

The WG discussed and agreed the need for an additional expert in the field of ADME with experience in the evaluation of food additives.

6.2. Allocation of the tasks for the re-evaluation of calcium carbonate (E 170) as a food additive in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age⁴

Tasks were distributed among the Working Group members in order to progress with the drafting of the upcoming opinion.

7. Any Other Business

7.1. Overview of the replies to questions from third parties on the ongoing calls for data

An overview of the received questions and of the provided answers was provided.

³ http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/rogFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00089

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00772





7.2. Agreement on the minutes of the 8th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of food additives permitted for use in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age held on the 29 November 2019

The minutes of this meeting were agreed at the end of the meeting by the working group.

8. Next meeting(s)

The working group agreed on tentative dates of the meetings for 2020.





SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURINGS

MINUTES OF THE 7^{TH} MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON FOOD ADDITIVES PERMITTED IN FOODS FOR INFANTS BELOW 16 WEEKS OF AGE

WEB/TELE-conference 1-2 October 2019

(Agreed on 2 October 2019)

Participants

Working Group Members:

Laurence Castle; Peter Furst; Ursula Gundert Remy (Chair); Dominique Turck; Ine Waalkens-Berendsen; Detlef Wölfle; Birgit Dusemund and Dominique Turck

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

FIP Unit: Stefania Barmaz, Alexandra Tard

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Alicja Mortensen.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate publications/files/competing interest management 17.pdf





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(s) for discussion

4.1. Re-evaluation of acacia gum (E 414) as a food additive in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age ³

The draft opinion was finalised and will be tabled for possible adoption at the next FAF Panel plenary meeting (12-14 November 2019).

4.2. Re-evaluation of ascorbyl palmitate (E 304i) as a food additive in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age ⁴

Tasks were distributed among the Working Group members in order to progress with the drafting of the scientific opinion with the aim of having a first draft ready for the next WG meeting.

5. Overview of the responses received to the calls for data

5.1. An overview of the ongoing call for data and of the responses received

An overview of the ongoing call for data and of the responses received so far was presented to the Working Group. Tasks were distributed among the Working Group members in order to progress with the drafting of the upcoming opinion.

6. Any Other Business

6.1. Agreement on the minutes of the 7th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of food additives permitted for use in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age held on the 1-2 October 2019

The minutes of this meeting agreed at the end of the meeting by the WG.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting will be held as a physical meeting (in Brussels) on 29 November 2019.

³ http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00525

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00089





SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURINGS

MINUTES OF THE 6^{TH} MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON FOOD ADDITIVES PERMITTED IN FOODS FOR INFANTS BELOW 16 WEEKS OF AGE

Physical meeting, Parma (Italy) 28 August 2019

(Agreed on 28 August 2019)

Participants

Working Group Members:

Laurence Castle; Peter Furst; Ursula Gundert Remy (Chair); Dominique Turck; Ine Waalkens-Berendsen; Detlef Wölfle; Birgit Dusemund and Alicja Mortensen

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

FIP Unit: Stefania Barmaz

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

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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(s) for discussion

4.1. Re-evaluation of starch sodium octenyl succinate (E 1450) as a food additive in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age³

The draft opinion was finalised and will be tabled for possible adoption at the next FAF Panel plenary meeting (24-26 September 2019).

4.2. Re-evaluation of acacia gum (E 414) as a food additive in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age⁴

The Working Group continued its assessment. Tasks were distributed among the Working Group members in order to progress with the drafting of the scientific opinion.

5. Overview of the responses received to the calls for data

An overview of the ongoing call for data and of the responses received so far was presented to the Working Group. Tasks were distributed among the Working Group members in order to progress with the drafting of the upcoming opinion.

6. Any Other Business

6.1. Agreement on the minutes of the 6th Working Group meeting on the re-evaluation of food additives permitted for use in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age held on the 28 August 2019

The minutes of this meeting were drafted during the meeting agreed by the WG.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting will be held as a teleconference in October 2019, exact date still to be agreed.

A physical meeting will be held in November, exact date still to be agreed.

³ http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00102

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00525





SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURINGS

MINUTES OF THE 5^{TH} MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON FOOD ADDITIVES PERMITTED IN FOODS FOR INFANTS BELOW 16 WEEKS OF AGE

WEB/TELE-conference, 24 May 2019

(Agreed on 18 June 2019)

Participants

Working Group Members:

Laurence Castle; Peter Furst; Ursula Gundert Remy (Chair); Dominique Turck; Ine Waalkens-Berendsen; Detlef Wölfle; Birgit Dusemund and Alicja Mortensen

- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:Not Applicable
- EFSA:

FIP Unit: Camilla Smeraldi, Stefania Barmaz, Alexandra Tard

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Dominique Turck.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members





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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 4th Working Group meeting held on 2 April 2019, Web-conference.

The minutes of the 4th Working Group meeting were agreed on 2 April 2019.3

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Re-evaluation of starch sodium octenyl succinate (E 1450) as a food additive in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age⁴

Further to the discussion held at the previous meetings the Working Group continued its assessment. Tasks were distributed among the Working Group members in order to progress with the drafting of the scientific opinion.

5.2. Re-evaluation of acacia gum (E 414) as a food additive in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age⁵

This agenda point was postponed to the next meeting.

6. Any Other Business

6.1. Overview of the responses received to the calls for data

This agenda point was postponed to the next meeting.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting will be held as a physical meeting in September 2019, date still to be agreed.

8. Short training for the pilot on opinion drafting

This agenda point was postponed.

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 http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wqs/food-ingredients-and-packaging/wq-foodadditivesinfants-m.pdf

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00102

⁵ http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/rogFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00525





SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURINGS

MINUTES OF THE 4^{TH} MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON FOOD ADDITIVES PERMITTED IN FOODS FOR INFANTS BELOW 16 WEEKS OF AGE

WEB/TELE-conference, 02 April 2019

(Agreed on 02 April 2019)

Participants

Working Group Members:

Laurence Castle; Peter Furst; Ursula Gundert Remy (Chair); Dominique Turck; Ine Waalkens-Berendsen; Detlef Wölfle

- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:Not Applicable
- EFSA:

FIP Unit: Camilla Smeraldi

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Birgit Dusemund and Alicja Mortensen

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members





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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 3rd Working Group meeting held on 14 - February 2019, Web-conference.

The minutes of the 3rd Working Group meeting were agreed on 14 February 2019.³

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Re-evaluation of starch sodium octenyl succinate (E 1450) as a food additive in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age⁴

Further to the initial discussion held at the previous meeting and the clarifications received from the interested parties on the data provided in response to the specific call for data for the food additive starch sodium octenyl succinate (E 1450), the Working Group continued its assessment.

Tasks were distributed among the Working Group members in order to progress with the drafting of the scientific opinion.

5.2. Re-evaluation of acacia gum (E 414) as a food additive in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age⁵

The Working Group held an initial discussion on the data submitted by the interested parties in response to the specific call for data for the food additive acacia gum (E 414).

Tasks were distributed among the Working Group members in order to progress with the drafting of the scientific opinion.

6. Any Other Business

6.1. Overview of the responses received to the calls for data

An overview of the responses received so far from interested parties was presented to the Working Group.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting will be held as a teleconference in May 2019, date still to be agreed.

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 http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wgs/food-ingredients-and-packaging/wg-foodadditivesinfants-m.pdf

⁴ http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00564

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00525





SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOURINGS

MINUTES OF THE 3RD MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON FOOD ADDITIVES PERMITTED IN FOODS FOR INFANTS BELOW 16 WEEKS OF AGE

WEB/TELE-conference, 14 February 2019

(Agreed on 14 February 2019)

Participants

Working Group Members:

Laurence Castle; Birgit Dusemund; Peter Furst; Ursula Gundert Remy (Chair); Claude Lambré; Alicja Mortensen; Dominique Turck; Ine Waalkens-Berendsen; Detlef Wölfle

- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:Not Applicable
- EFSA:

FIP Unit: Camilla Smeraldi

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

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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 Working Group meeting held on 17-18 October 2018, Parma.

The minutes of the 2nd Working Group meeting were agreed on 18 October 2018.³

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Re-evaluation of starch sodium octenyl succinate (E 1450) as a food additive in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age⁴

The Working Group had an initial discussion on the responses received from interested parties to the specific call for data for the food additive starch sodium octenyl succinate (E 1450).

The Working Group raised some questions on the data received and requests for clarifications will be sent to the relevant interested parties.

Tasks were distributed among the Working Group members in order to progress with the drafting of the scientific opinion.

6. Any Other Business

6.1. Overview of the responses received to the calls for data

An overview of the responses received so far from interested parties was presented to the Working Group.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting will be held as a teleconference in April 2019, date still to be agreed.

http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/wqs/food-ingredients-and-packaging/wq-foodadditivesinfants-m.pdf http://registerofguestions.efsa.europa.eu/rogFrontend/guestionLoader?guestion=EFSA-O-2018-00564

Scientific Panel on Food Additives and Flavourings (FAF)

Minutes of the 2nd Meeting of the Working Group on Food Additives permitted in Foods for Infants below 16 weeks of age

Held on 17 -18/10/2018 ,Parma (Italy)

(Agreed on 18/10/2018)

Participants

Working Group Members		Agenda points		Teleconference	
•	Gundert-Remy Ursula		all	•	
	Mortensen Alicja		all		\boxtimes
•	Dusemund Birgit		all		\boxtimes
•	Waalkens- Berendsen Ine		all	۰	
	Lambré Claude		all		\boxtimes
•	Wölfle Detlef		all		\boxtimes
•	Castle Laurence		all		
•	Fürst Peter		all		\boxtimes
	Turck Dominique		all		⊠on 17 October

Hearing Experts:

Not Applicable

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

None

EFSA:

FIP Unit: Anna Christodoulidou



1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted.

3. Declarations of interest

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

The notes were agreed.

5. Feedback from FAF Panel, EFSA and European Commission

EFSA published the call for data agreed by the WG of the FAF Panel on 10/10/2018. Feedback from stakeholders is expected by 21/11/2018.

6. Scientific outputs submitted for discussion

6.1 E 1450 Starch sodium octenyl succinate (Question N° EFSA-Q-2018-00102)

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00102

The Working Group discussed the draft document. Further discussion is foreseen in a forthcoming meeting.

7. Any Other Business



7.1 Adoption of the minutes of the 2nd Working Group meeting on Food Additives permitted in Foods for Infants below 16 weeks of age held on 17 - 18 October 2018, Parma.

The minutes were adopted.

7.2 Next meeting in 2018

No other meeting is foreseen



Scientific Panel on Food Additives and Flavourings (FAF)

Minutes of the 1st Meeting of the Working Group on Food Additives permitted in Foods for Infants below 16 weeks of age

Held on 10 -11/09/2018 ,Parma (Italy)

(Agreed on 11/09/2018)

Participants

Working Group Members	Agenda points	Teleconference
Gundert-RemyUrsula	all	• 🗆
Mortensen Alicja	■ Item 7.1 and 7.2	
Dusemund Birgit	all	
Waalkens- Berendsen Ine	Item 7.1,7.2 and7.3	• 🗆
Lambré Claude	all	
Wölfle Detlef	Item 7.1 and 7.2	
Castle Laurence	Item 7.1 and 7.2	
■ Fürst Peter	Item 7.1 and 7.2	

Hearing Experts:

Not Applicable

European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

None



EFSA:

FIP Unit: Anna Christodoulidou

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted.

3. Declarations of interest

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

Not Applicable

5. Feedback from FAF Panel, EFSA and European Commission

EFSA launched calls for data on seven additives in order to address data gaps identified in previous EFSA opinions and the safety of their use in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age.

On 30 November, EFSA will organise a one-day workshop to update stakeholders and interested parties on the re-evaluation of food additives

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

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intended to be used in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age. The purpose of the workshop is EFSA and the Working Group experts to elaborate on the data requirements as they have been expressed in calls for data published by EFSA and to receive feedback from stakeholders on their data provision plans.

6. General issues

The progress of the draft opinion on phosphates was reported and issues related to the use of phosphates in foods for infants below 16 weeks of age were discussed.

7. Scientific outputs submitted for discussion

7.1 E 306-E 309 Tocopherols (Question N° EFSA-Q-2018-00090-EFSA-Q-2018-00093)

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00090--00091-00092-00093

The data requirements have been agreed by the WG

7.2 **E 407 Carrageenan (Question N° EFSA-Q-2018-00270)**

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoad er?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00270

The data requirements have been agreed by the WG

7.3 **E 551 Silicon dioxide (Question N° EFSA-Q-2018-00526)**

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoad er?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00526

The data requirements have been agreed by the WG

7.4 E 170 Calcium carbonate (Question N° EFSA-Q-2018-00088)

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoad er?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00088

The data requirements have been agreed by the WG

7.5 E 304i Fatty acid esters of ascorbyl palmitate (Question N° EFSA-Q-2018-00089)

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoad er?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00089

The data requirements have been agreed by the WG

7.6 E 471 Mono- and diglycerides of fatty acids (Question N° EFSA-Q-2018-00100)

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoad er?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00100

The data requirements have been agreed by the WG



7.7 E 473 Sucrose esters of fatty acids (Question N° EFSA-Q-2018-00101)

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00101

The data requirements have been agreed by the WG

7.8 **E 414 Acacia gum (Question N° EFSA-Q-2018-00525)**

http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2018-00525

The data requirements have been agreed by the WG

- 8. Any Other Business
- 8.1 Adoption of the minutes of the 1st Working Group meeting on Food Additives permitted in Foods for Infants and Young Children held on 10 11 September 2018, Parma.

The minutes were adopted.

8.2 Next meeting in 2018

17-18 October 2018