



**MINUTES OF THE 5TH PLENARY MEETING OF THE SCIENTIFIC PANEL  
ON ADDITIVES AND PRODUCTS OR SUBSTANCES USED IN ANIMAL  
FEED  
(BRUSSELS, 12-13 NOVEMBER 2003)**

**(ADOPTED ON 2 DECEMBER 2003)**

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**PARTICIPANTS**

Panel Members:

Georges Bories, Paul Brantom, Joaquim Brufau de Barbera, Andrew Chesson, Pier Sandro Cocconcelli, Joop de Knecht, Noël Dierick (1<sup>st</sup> day), Anders Franklin, Jürgen Gropp, Ingrid Halle, Josef Leibetseder, Alberto Mantovani (2<sup>nd</sup> day), Kimmo Peltonen, Guido Rychen, Pascal Sanders

Apologies

Arturo Anadón, Margarita Arboix Arzo, Noël Dierick (2<sup>nd</sup> day), Gerhard Flachowsky, Anne-Katrine Haldorsen, Alberto Mantovani (1<sup>st</sup> day), Pieter Wester

EFSA

Dominique Byron, Liisa Vahteristo, Sandrine Valentin

European Commission

Marta Ponghellini, Giuseppe Simone, Eric Thévenard (DG Health and Consumer Protection)

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**1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

The chair opened the meeting and welcomed all the participants to the 5<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting of the FEEDAP Panel. Members not able to attend the meeting had sent their apologies (see under participants).

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no interests declared relevant to the items on the agenda.

### 3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted after some modifications which are reflected in the minutes.

### 4. ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 4<sup>TH</sup> PLENARY MEETING ON 22-23/10/2003

The minutes of the fourth plenary meeting of the Scientific Panel held on 22-23 October 2003 were adopted with minor modifications. The adopted minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> plenary meeting were distributed to all members.

### 5. GENERAL INFORMATION FROM EFSA

The panel was informed that EFSA will probably soon launch a new call for expression of interest for additional experts to the scientific panels in order to re-enforce the Panels. Maximum number of experts is fixed to 21 by the management board. It appeared that an environmental expert might be beneficial in complementing the existing expertise of the members in the FEEDAP Panel.

The scientific co-ordinator noted that the representation of *ad hoc* experts in working groups of FEEDAP Panel is quite low in comparison with the other Panels, this number could be increased in the future.

### 6. WORK PROGRAM

#### 6.1. Discussion and possible adoption of scientific opinions

##### **- Re-evaluation of coccidiostat Stenorol (halofuginone hydrobromide) in accordance with article 9G of Directive 70/524/EEC**

The Rapporteur of the Working Group introduced the revised draft summary and conclusions for discussion and adoption. After a short discussion the final draft of the document was adopted subject to some editorial modifications.

##### **- Re-evaluation of coccidiostat Deccox (decoquinate) in accordance with article 9G of Directive 70/524/EEC**

The Rapporteur of the Working Group introduced the draft document to the plenary. The Panel reviewed the report in detail. The Rapporteur together with Working Group members were requested to amend the document according to the minor remarks made on this draft opinion. A revised document should be adopted by written procedure.

##### **- Evaluation of coccidiostat Koffogran (nicarbazin)**

The Rapporteur of the Working Group introduced the draft document. The Panel reviewed the report in detail. The Rapporteur together with Working Group members were requested to amend the document according to the remarks made on this draft opinion. A revised document should be circulated before the December plenary and then presented for adoption.

### **- Yea Sacc for leisure horses**

The Rapporteur from the Working Group on Micro-organisms introduced the draft document for discussion. The safety of this additive (micro-organism product based on yeast *Saccaromyces cerevisiae*) for new target species (leisure horses) was focussed on in the assessment. Yea-Sacc was considered safe for use as feed additive to adult leisure horses but since no data were presented for suckling foals and young horses, FEEDAP Panel was not able to assess the safety of the extension to foals until two months post weaning. The document was discussed and adopted after minor modifications.

### **- Bioplus 2B**

The Rapporteur from the Working Group on Micro-organisms introduced the question and the draft opinion for discussion. The Panel could not conclude on the compatibility of this micro-organism product with with coccidiostat maduramicin for feed for chickens for fattening or for turkeys using the data presented in the company dossier. After a short discussion the opinion was adopted with only minor modifications to the draft.

## **6.2. Progress Reports on**

### **- Re-evaluation of coccidiostats in accordance with article 9G of Directive 70/524/EEC**

Four Working Group meetings before December plenary are scheduled for different working groups of coccidiostat products. Intensive work is being carried out by working groups and their members in order to complete as many assessments as possible before end of the year or by early next year.

### **- Micro-organisms**

Next meeting of the Working Group is planned for December 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **- Enzymes**

The meeting of the Working Group planned for November has been cancelled and another one is planned for December the 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **- Question on the safety of use of iodine in feedingstuffs**

The Rapporteur of the Working Group introduced the work carried out since the last meeting. The group has identified a need for another expert to join to complete the Working Group with expertise required for the environmental part of the question. Another meeting is scheduled for December the 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **- Question on use of the synthetic sodium aluminium silicate (zeolite) for the reduction of risk of milk fever in dairy cows**

The Panel was informed the work will start next year. In the meanwhile further questions to the originator of the request will be addressed to enable the scientific risk assessment to be carried out.

### **- Question on the assessment of the safety of all carotenoids authorised in 70/524/EEC**

The Working Group has not been completed yet and the work will only start next year.

**- Question on the product Nutrigrow**

Not discussed.

**7. MISCELLANEAOUS**

A short discussion took place about the involvement of FEEDAP Panel members in different working groups of the two other EFSA Panels (Genetically modified organisms, Contaminants in the food chain).

A toxicological expert from the FEEDAP Panel was proposed to participate to the working group of the Scientific Committee on a Harmonised Approach for Genotoxic and Carcinogenic Substances.