

ANNUAL DECLARATION OF INTERESTS (ADoI)

(Please note that high quality of scientific expertise is by nature based on prior experience and that therefore having an interest does not necessarily mean having a conflict of interest)

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Current EFSA involvements: Member-GMO Panel 2012-2015 (GMO), Member-Applications-Environment (GMO), Member-Applications-Molecular Characterisation (GMO), Member-Genetically Modified Microorganisms (GMO), Chair-Guidance on environmental risk assessment of GM fishes (GMO), Member-Guidance on environmental risk assessment of GM insects (GMO), Member-Guidance on environmental risk assessment of GM mammals and birds (GMO)

Nature of Activities	Period	Organisation	Subject matter
I. Economic interest			NO INTEREST
II. Member of a management body or equivalent structure	06/2010 - now	-Name: EU Cost Action	Substitute National Member of Management Committee, FP0905, "Biosafety of forest transgenic trees: improving the scientific basis for safe tree development and implementation of EU policy directives"
	01/2008 - 05/2012	-Name: EU Cost action	Member, Management Committee FA-721, EU Cost Action network on "Arthropod Symbioses: from fundamental studies to pest and disease management"

III. Member of a scientific advisory body	04/2007 - now	-Name: Norwegian Scientific Committee for Food Safety (VKM), GMO panel	Expert member of GMO panel (13 members in total). The panel carries out risk assessments of GMOs for the Norwegian Food Safety Authority and the Directorate for Nature Management. When writing the independent and final assessment, the panel reviews any new documentation and literature, and consults additional expertise when necessary. The assessments are done in Norwegian language. See http://www.vkm.no The conclusions of the GMO panel are reached by consensus, alternatively, majority and minority opinions may be expressed. The Norwegian GMO panel also provides comments on applications received by EFSA through the EFSAnet. To avoid possible dual roles, i will, after my appointment to the EFSA GMO panel, not take part in any activity in the VKM GMO panel that is related to EFSA such as providing EFSAnet input.
	02/2011 - 01/2013	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Guidance on environmental risk assessment of GM fishes (GMO)
	12/2010 - 11/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Hearing Expert - Applications-Environment (GMO)
	09/2012 - 09/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Chair - RA of plants developed through new techniques (GMO)
	03/2011 - 09/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - RA of plants developed through new techniques (GMO)
	08/2011 - 07/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Joint GMO-BIOHAZ WG on Austrian safeguard clause for GM potato EH92-527-1 (GMO)
	08/2009 - 07/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - GMO Panel 2009-2012 (GMO)
	02/2009 - 09/2009	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Joint GMO-BIOHAZ Working Group for the consolidated opinion on the use of antibiotic resistance marker (ARM) genes used as marker genes in genetically modified plants. (GMO)
IV. Employment	01/2002 - now	-Name: Genøk-Center for Biosafety	Advisor (part time) on research activities to Genøk-Center for Biosafety, a non-profit, governmentally-funded research institute based in Tromsø, Norway. Genøk was founded in 1998 and is a non-commercial institution located in the research environment at the University of Tromsø and Forskningsparken (the Science Park). The Center conducts research on environmental, health and social consequences of genetic engineering and genetic modification. GenØk also conducts information activities (e.g. to the Norwegian Directorate for Nature Management, Trondheim). The institute has approx. 35 employees.
	10/2001 - now	-Name: University of Tromsø, Norway	Professor of Pharmaceutical Microbiology, and Thematic Research Group Leader, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Tromsø, Norway.
V. Ad hoc or occasional consultancy	06/2010 - now	-Name: Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety (AGES)	External project advisor for assistance in project design, conductance, experimental analyses, and interpretation of the results for the research project "Frequency of Environmental Antibiotic Resistance". The research project focuses on quantitative aspects of background resistance rates in natural environments and the mutability of aminoglycoside phosphotransferase genes. The project is funded collaboratively by the Federal Ministry of Health (BMG) and the Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water management (BMLFUW).

	01/2006 - 04/2008	-Name: United Nations, FAO	<p>Invited expert, United Nations FAO (Food and Agricultural Organisation) and WHO (World Health Organisation) expert consultation on safety assessment of foods derived from recombinant DNA (rDNA) animals, Geneva, Switzerland, 2006.</p> <p>FAO technical consultant, Working group on Tools for trainers, GMO safety assessments, Bangkok, Thailand, 2007.</p> <p>Technical consultant, FAO/ WFP (World Food Programme), mission to Karthoum, Sudan, 2007.</p> <p>International lecturer, FAO biosafety capacity building workshop, Nairobi, Kenya, April, 2008.</p>
VI. Research funding	01/2004 - 09/2011	-Name: Research Council of Norway	Research project funded: "Epidemiology of antibiotic resistance in clinical and environmental settings, prevalence. Host diversity, and transfer of blaTEM genes".
	01/2007 - 09/2010	-Name: Research Council of Norway	Research project funded "Effects of environmental DNA exposure on bacterial adaptation rates"
	01/2004 - 07/2010	-Name: Research Council of Norway	Research project funded "Functional genomics of the malaria parasite Plasmodium falciparum".
	07/2006 - 06/2008	-Name: Consiglio dei Diritti Genetici, Rome, and the University of Milan, Italy	Collaborative research project between the Consiglio dei Diritti Genetici, Rome, and the University of Milan, Italy: "GMOs and food: an evaluation of the direct effects on the host and the intestinal microflora". Received some salary, and funding for research, conducted at the University of Milan, Italy.
VII. Intellectual property rights			NO INTEREST
VIII. Other membership or affiliation			NO INTEREST
IX. Other relevant interest	01/2009 - 12/2012	-Name: Annals of Microbiology (Springer)	Member editorial board
X. Interests of close family members			NO INTEREST

I hereby declare that I have read both the Guidance Document on Declarations of Interests and the Procedure for identifying and handling potential conflict of interests and that the above Declaration of Interests is complete.

Date: 28/01/2013 Signature: **SIGNED**