

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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Title: Prof

Profession: Professor

Current EFSA involvements: Chair-BIOHAZ Panel 2012-2015 (BIOHAZ), Member-Scientific Committee 2012-2015 (SC), Chair-Meat Inspection: BOVINES (EFSA-Q-2011-00364) (BIOHAZ), Alternate member-Review of Guidance documents (standing WG) (SC), Chair-Scientific coordination group on meat inspection (BIOHAZ), Hearing Expert-WG on Epidemiological indicators for meat inspection of cattle (BIOMO)

Nature of Activities	Period	Organisation	Subject matter
I. Economic interest			NO INTEREST
II. Member of a management body or equivalent structure	12/2012 - now	-Name: , (). Agricultural University of Athens, GREECE, Athens	Educational Institution. Governing Council of the Agricultural University of Athens Greece. President.
III. Member of a scientific advisory body	05/2012 - 11/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Stakeholders' Technical Hearing on Meat Inspection in Bovines - (EFSA-Q-2012-00276) (BIOHAZ)
	04/2011 - 07/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Alternate member - Scientific Committee 2009-2012 (SC)
	06/2009 - 07/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - BIOHAZ Panel 2009-2012 (BIOHAZ)

	10/2011 - 05/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Chair - LISTEX decontamination fish (EFSA-Q-2011-00959) (BIOHAZ)
	06/2011 - 05/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Public health risks represented by certain composite products containing food of animal origin (EFSA-Q-2011-00235) (BIOHAZ)
	05/2011 - 05/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Chair - CECURE decontamination poultry (BIOHAZ)
	11/2010 - 05/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Salmonella in turkeys (EFSA-Q-2010-00899) (BIOHAZ)
	06/2009 - 12/2011	-Name: European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)	Participated in the following Working Groups of the Panel on Biological Hazards (BIOHAZ): Decontamination, Member (2009-2010) Food Irradiation, Member (2009-2010) Salmonella Control in Broilers, Member (2009-2011) Campylobacter Control in Broilers, Member (2009-2011) H1N1 Virus, Member (2010) Smokies, Chair (2010-2011) Recycled Hot Water Meat Decontamination, Member (2010-2011) Lactic Acid Meat Decontamination, Member (2011).
	01/2007 - 12/2011	-Name: BIOTRACER	EUROPEAN COMMISSION: 6th Framework Programme on Research, Technological Development and Demonstration Project acronym: Biotracer Project full title: Improved bio-traceability of unintended microorganisms and their substances in food and feed chains Proposal/Contract no: 036272 Start Date: 1 January 2007 John Sofos role: Member of International Advisory Board (travel expenses paid)
	06/2009 - 10/2011	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - QMRA of new target for Salmonella in broilers (EFSA-Q-2008-293) (BIOHAZ)
	02/2011 - 09/2011	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Lactic acid on beef - EFSA-Q-2011-00032 (BIOHAZ)
	01/2011 - 07/2011	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Chair - Wg on the evaluation UK FSA studies on safe production smoked "skin-on" sheep meat (EFSA-Q-2010-01207) (BIOHAZ)
	08/2009 - 04/2011	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Campylobacter in broiler meat - Risk assessment and control options (EFSA-Q-2009-00233) (BIOHAZ)
	01/2010 - 01/2011	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - WG on HOT WATER decontamination (BIOHAZ)
	07/2009 - 10/2010	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - WG on Irradiation of Food (BIOHAZ)
	03/2010 - 06/2010	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Food safety considerations of novel H1N1 influenza virus infections in humans (EFSA-Q-2009-01000) (BIOHAZ)
	06/2009 - 05/2010	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - WG on the revision of the guidance document on carcass decontamination (BIOHAZ)
	10/2002 - 03/2009	-Name: US National Advisory Committee on Microbiological Criteria for Foods. Membership expired March 2009	Scientific advisory committee on microbiological criteria for foods.
	11/1989 - 12/2008	-Name: Food and Drug Administration	Microbiology scientific advisor of the Denver Colorado District Laboratory for the period 1989-2008. Involvement was terminated in 2008.
IV. Employment	08/1980 - now	-Name: Colorado State University	Professor; educational and research university; teaching and advising students; conducting food microbiology/safety research; mentoring graduate students

V. Ad hoc or occasional consultancy	10/2008 - 03/2012	-Name: SYMBIOSIS-EU	EUROPEAN COMMISSION: 7th Framework Programme, THEME 2, Food, Agriculture and Fisheries, and Biotechnology, Small Collaborative Project Project acronym: SYMBIOSIS-EU Project full title: Scientific sYnergisM of nano-Bio-Info-cOgni Science for an Integrated system to monitor meat quality and Safety during production, storage, and distribution in the European Union Grant agreement no.: 211638 Start Date: 1 October 2008 John Sofos role: Consulting collaborator (travel expenses paid)
VI. Research funding	03/2007 - now	-Name: ProSafeBeef	EUROPEAN COMMISSION: 6th Framework Programme on Research, Technological Development and Demonstration Project acronym: ProSafeBeef Project full title: Improving the Quality and Safety of Beef and Beef Products for the Consumer in Production and Processing Proposal/Contract no: 036241 Start Date: 1 March 2007 John Sofos role: No cost collaborator (travel expenses paid). Initially, I was designated as leader of Workpackage (WP2.5) and to contribute to WP2.1 and WP2.2. However, no project funds were allowed to be transferred to the USA for my use. Therefore, my involvement was limited to providing advice and suggestions to partners at the Agricultural University of Athens and the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki relating to WP2.1 and WP2.2, and to participating in some meetings. Studies under the above WP provided quantitative data for the attachment and biofilm formation by <i>Escherichia coli</i> O157:H7 on food-contacts surfaces, as well as for its transfer from surface-inoculated beef steaks to their interior and subsequently to tenderized non-inoculated beef steaks. The results should contribute to the improvement of beef safety through in risk assessments. There was no private funding involved.
	10/2005 - now	-Name: Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service of the United States Department of Agriculture	Funding of scientific research to support graduate students and to conduct studies to address issues related to bacterial pathogen control in meat and poultry products as well as train industry personnel and health care providers on food safety and pathogen control. Projects near completion. The research (co-)funding I received from the private sector in the latest full budget year, and for the areas covered by the Panels, does not exceed 25% of the total annual research budget that is managed by me.
VII. Intellectual property rights			NO INTEREST
VIII. Other membership or affiliation	05/1974 - now	-Name: Various scientific associations	Scientific, professional organizations: Institute of Food Technologists (IFT, 1974) American Society for Microbiology (ASM, 1976) American Academy of Microbiology (1995) International Association for Food Protection (IAFP, 1975) American Meat Science Association (AMSA, 1974) American Society of Animal Science (ASAS, 1975) AOAC International (1998) American Association for the Advancement of Science (1992) Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society (1978) Gamma Sigma Delta, the Honor Society of Agriculture (CSU, 1981)
IX. Other relevant interest	09/1995 - now	-Name: International Association for Food Protection	Scientific Co-Editor for the scientific publication, Journal of Food Protection

	01/2003 - 12/2010	-Name: None	From time to time in the past few years my name appears as co-author of published scientific papers on studies that have included evaluation of cetylpyridinium chloride (Cecure; the material to be considered in the mandate). No money was received by myself or by my university from the company that has applied to evaluate this product by EFSA. Its evaluation was just included in the studies together with other variables.
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: 19/12/2012 **Signature:** **SIGNED**