

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-CONTAM Panel 2012-2015 (CONTAM), Member-Acrylamide in Food (CONTAM), Member-Chromium and Nickel (CONTAM), Member-Fusarium toxins (CONTAM), Member-QPS approach for assessment of botanicals (SC)

Nature of Activities	Period	Organisation	Subject matter
I. Economic interest			NO INTEREST
II. Member of a management body or equivalent structure	04/2012 - now	-Name: Royal Wessanen	<p>Royal Wessanen is a company in the European organic food market. From April 17, 2012 onwards I will become a member of their supervisory board. The supervisory board is chosen by the stockholders of the company to promote their interests through the governance of the company and to hire and supervise the executive directors and chief executive officer. The Supervisory Board mainly discusses finances communication issues, and programme strategy.</p> <p>If they would discuss issues on food or feed contaminants that would fall under the remit of the CONTAM Panel I would declare them in the sDOI.</p>

	01/2008 - 12/2010	-Name: Member Board of Trustees of HESI (Health and Environmental Sciences Institute)(USA)	<p>HESI (Health and Environmental Sciences Institute) is recognized by the United States Government as a publicly supported organization independently chartered from ILSI (International Life Sciences Institute). The Board of Trustees of HESI mainly discusses communication issues, finances and programme strategy.</p> <p>They did not discuss issues on food or feed contaminants that would fall under the remit of the CONTAM Panel.</p> <p>From december 2010 onwards I resigned from this board.</p>
III. Member of a scientific advisory body	07/2012 - now	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Mercury in food (CONTAM)
	01/2011 - now	-Name: Brabant Life Sciences Seed Fund	<p>This is a scientific advisory board giving advice on the scientific content and soundness of proposals. This scientific evaluation is used by the board of the Fund to take the scientific soundness into account in a selection of the projects proposed to the Fund. These proposals are in the field of medical and life sciences and not on additives and also not on food or feed contaminants. If any issue would be related food or feed contaminants and thus within the remit of the CONTAM Panel I would declare that in the sDOI. Brabant Life Sciences Seed Fund is a startup company incubator that funds projects from the Brabant local area in the field of life and medical sciences. This scientific advisory board has no direct involvement in the decision to grant funds or not to the projects; these decisions are taken by the Board of the Fund. This scientific advisory board is also not involved in any other decision making process of the Fund and is not providing any advice to the companies proposing the projects. I do not receive any remuneration for this activity and it is not a consultancy.</p> <p>This advisory board gives an opinion to the board of the Fund on scientific soundness of ideas underlying requests for support from the Fund. The advisory board only gives an opinion and has no role in decision making by the board of the Fund. The advisory board has no vote and no veto. I chair the advisory board. The topics are not in the field of the madate of the CONTAM Panel.</p>
	01/2008 - now	-Name: CTGB college for admission of pesticides	<p>Member Advisory Committee CTGB (College for Admission of Pesticides NL).</p> <p>This committee gives advice on objections from third parties against decissions of the CTGB to the CTGB. The topics always relate to pesticide issues.</p> <p>This advisory board gives an opinion on scientific soundness but especially legal aspects of objections against decissions made by the CTGB. The advisory board only gives an opinion and has no role in subsequent decision making by the CTGB. The advisory board has no vote and no veto. I am a member of this advisory board. The topics are not in the field of the madate of the CONTAM Panel.</p>
	08/2007 - now	-Name: DFG-SKLM (Senate Commission on Food Safety Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft)	<p>This committee gives opinions on scientific issues underlying food safety. The scientific opinions are meant for the public area and they are published in open access public media. The committee has no vote and no veto and does not make decissions other than writing scientific views that are made publically available. I am a member of the committee. If this committee would discuss food or feed contaminants and thus topics within the remit of the CONTAM Panel I would declare these in the sDOI.</p>

	05/2006 - now	-Name: VWA (Dutch Food Safety Authority)	<p>Evaluation of scientific independence of the advises and opinions of the Dutch Authority and advising the minister on the scientific quality and independence of the advices made by the VWA. The committee does not give advise on risk assessment, the committee only judges the scientific independence and quality of the advises but does not change them.</p> <p>The advisory board has no role in decision making by the VWA or the ministry. The advisory board has no vote and no veto. I am member of the advisory board. If they would discuss food or feed contaminants and thus topics within the remit of the CONTAM Panel I would declare that in the sDOI.</p>
	02/2006 - now	-Name: FEMA (FDA related) (Expert panel of the FLavour and Extract Manufacturer Association)(private and public)	<p>Safety assessment of flavours for the GRAS (Generally Recognised As Safe) notification by the FDA (Food and Drug Administration) in the USA.</p> <p>This advisory board gives a scientific opinion on safety of the proposed use of flavours for the FDA GRAS notifications in the USA. The advisory board has no vote and no veto but formulates opinions based on common agreement. I am a member of this advisory board. The topics (flavours) are not in the field of the madate of the CONTAM Panel.</p>
	01/2000 - now	-Name: National Health Council	<p>Safety assessment of industrial chemicals used in occupational settings.</p> <p>This advisory board gives scientific opinions for the ministry on health based occupational limits for industrial chemicals. The advisory board only gives an opinion and has no role in decision making on subsequent regulations. The advisory board has no vote and no veto. I am member of this the advisory board. The topics are not in the field of the madate of the CONTAM Panel.</p>
	08/2012 - 01/2013	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Vice-Chair - Mercury in food (CONTAM)
	04/2011 - 07/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	rapporteur for opinion on femented black bean extract - Novel Foods (NDA)
	05/2010 - 06/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Risk Assessment Terminology (SC)
	03/2012 - 05/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Hearing Expert - WG 'Guidance on Food additives' (ANS)
	03/2012 - 04/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Hearing Expert - ANS Panel 2011-2014 (ANS)
	06/2011 - 03/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Chair - ANS Panel 2011-2014 (ANS)
	06/2011 - 02/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - WG 'A' Food additives and nutrient sources 2011-2014 (ANS)
	06/2011 - 02/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Scientific Committee 2009-2012 (SC)
	05/2011 - 02/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - WG 'Ramazzini Institute study on aspartame in mice and methanol' (ANS)
	09/2010 - 02/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - WG on Toxicology (ANS)
	03/2010 - 02/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Chair - WG 'Guidance on Food additives' (ANS)

	01/2012 - 01/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - WG on Aspartame (ANS)
	03/2008 - 06/2011	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Chair - WG 'B' Food additives and nutrient sources 2008-2011 (ANS)
	03/2008 - 06/2011	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member and Vice chair - ANS Panel 2008-2011 (ANS)
	07/2010 - 02/2011	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Benchmark Dose II (SC)
	03/2010 - 12/2010	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Smoke Flavouring WG (CEF)
	04/2010 - 09/2010	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Vice-Chair - WG Amaranth (ANS)
	03/2010 - 09/2010	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Human Health Risk-Benefit Assessment of Foods (SC)
	03/2010 - 06/2010	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Overarching Working Group on Botanicals (SC)
	03/2010 - 06/2010	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Benchmark Dose (BMD) (SC)
	07/2008 - 09/2009	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - AFC Panel (AFC)
	07/2008 - 09/2009	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - ADDITIVES (AFC)
	07/2008 - 09/2009	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - SMOKE FLAVOURING (AFC)
	07/2008 - 09/2009	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Assessment of Yellow and Red Carotenoids (FEEDAP)
	01/2007 - 01/2008	-Name: NanoTox BV	Advise on development of new testing methods for nanomaterials. This task was started but never effectuated. I was never involved in any scientific advice or meeting on issues for which an advice was asked or prepared. I had no role in decision making, no vote and no veto.
IV. Employment	01/2000 - now	-Name: Wageningen University and Research Centre	Full professor in Toxicology. Teaching and research in the field of food and environmental safety of chemicals. In case a topic might fall under the remit of the CONTAM Panel I would declare that at any relevant occasion in the SDOI.
V. Ad hoc or occasional consultancy	06/2010 - 12/2010	-Name: Unimills BV	Expert judgment on the safety assessment of 3-MCPD giving advice on using the BMD (Benchmark Dose Method) to derive a point of departure that could be used for revising the TDI (Tolerable Daily Intake). In case 3-MCPD or its esters would be on the agenda of the CONTAM Panel I would declare this interest.

VI. Research funding	01/2012 - now	-Name: BASF	<p>In vitro-in silico physiologically based models for describing placental transfer and its influence on developmental toxicity. As model compounds a series of azoles will be investigated. The project will be supervised by a co-worker, not by me. I will be the promotor of the PhD student and may be involved as a co-author in some of the publications.</p> <p>The topic does not fall under the remit of the CONTAM Panel.</p> <p>In case topics on the agenda of the CONTAM Panel would relate to this activity I would declare an interest in the sDOI.</p>
	01/2010 - now	-Name: International Organization of Flavor Industries (IOFI)	<p>Research funding on matrix effect in risk assessment of alkenylbenzenes.</p> <p>Alkenylbenzenes are flavours and this topic does not fall under the remit of the CONTAM Panel.</p>
	01/2005 - now	-Name: Nestle Research Centre	<p>PhD projects on bioavailability of flavonoids and on physiologically based kinetic (PBK) modelling of bioactivation and detoxification and DNA adduct formation of alkenylbenzenes.</p> <p>Alkenylbenzenes are flavours and this topic does not fall under the remit of the CONTAM Panel.</p> <p>Flavonoids are natural health beneficial compounds and do not fall under the remit of the CONTAM Panel.</p> <p>In case topics on the agenda of the CONTAM Panel would relate to this activity I would declare an interest in the sDOI.</p>
	01/2002 - 12/2011	-Name: TNO (public and private)	<p>PhD project on physiologically based kinetic (PBK) modelling of cholesterol.</p> <p>This topic does not fall under the remit of the CONTAM Panel.</p> <p>In case topics on the agenda of the CONTAM Panel would relate to this activity I would declare an interest in the sDOI.</p>
	01/2007 - 01/2008	-Name: Polak Spices	<p>Research on species differences, genetic polymorphisms and matrix effects in bioactivation of coumarin. This is a flavour and this topic does not fall under the remit of the CONTAM Panel.</p>
VII. Intellectual property rights			NO INTEREST
VIII. Other membership or affiliation			NO INTEREST
IX. Other relevant interest			NO INTEREST
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: 11/02/2013 Signature: **SIGNED**

