

## 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:** Dr

**Profession:** Microbiologist

**Current EFSA involvements:** Member-BIOHAZ Panel 2012-2015 (BIOHAZ)

Nature of Activities	Period	Organisation	Subject matter
<b>I. Economic interest</b>			NO INTEREST
<b>II. Member of a management body or equivalent structure</b>			NO INTEREST
<b>III. Member of a scientific advisory body</b>	11/2008 - now	-Name: EFSA	European Food Safety Authority Microbiological Risk Assessment Network UK representative
	07/2011 - 11/2011	-Name: EFSA	Member - MRA in Sprouts (EFSA-Q-2011-00877) (BIOHAZ)
	08/2011 - 10/2011	-Name: EFSA	Ad hoc working group on "The risk posed by shiga toxin producing E. coli (STEC) and other pathogenic bacteria in seeds and sprouted seeds"
	04/2009 - 02/2010	-Name: National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence	Food microbiologist on the Guidelines Development Group on Donor Breast Milk banks: the operation of donor milk bank services - NICE clinical guideline 93, published February 2010
	07/2008 - 09/2008	-Name: Food and Agriculture Organisation	Participant in FAO/WHO Expert consultation on Enterobacter sakazakii (Cronobacter spp.) in follow-up formula.Meeting held in Washington, USA, July 2008 and follow-up contribution to the report

<b>IV. Employment</b>	04/2000 - now	-Name: Food Standards Agency	<p>Head of Microbiological Food Safety Branch within the Science and Knowledge Unit of Hygiene and Microbiology Division at the Food Standards Agency (FSA); the UK Competent Authority for food safety. My work concerns risk assessment and the provision of scientific evidence and advice to inform the Agency's work on microbiological food safety.</p> <p>Work areas include outbreaks and incidents, foodborne disease epidemiology and infectious intestinal disease, foodborne pathogens, science underpinning hygiene in the home, antimicrobial resistance, food processing and preservation, predictive microbiology and microbiological food surveillance and research.</p> <p>I am scientific secretary to the FSA's independent expert Advisory Committee on the Microbiological Safety of Food (ACMSF)</p> <p>I have not been involved in scientific studies undertaken by the FSA to support a proposed production method for smoked "skin-on" sheep meat.</p>
<b>V. Ad hoc or occasional consultancy</b>			NO INTEREST
<b>VI. Research funding</b>			NO INTEREST
<b>VII. Intellectual property rights</b>			NO INTEREST
<b>VIII. Other membership or affiliation</b>			NO INTEREST
<b>IX. Other relevant interest</b>	06/2010 - now	-Name: International Life Sciences Institute (ILSI) Europe	Workshop on omics in quantitative microbiological risk assessment, Ede, The Netherlands 17 May 2011. Contributed to organising the scientific program, co-chaired the workshop, presented a paper and chaired a breakout group. Co-author on a paper concerning the workshop and invited to a follow up ILSI activity on Omics in March 2012 to which I sent apologies.
<b>X. Interests of close family members</b>			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: 07/09/2012      Signature: **SIGNED**