

14th International Akademie Fresenius Conference

Residues of Food Contact Materials in Food

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**6 and 7 October 2025
in Dusseldorf/Germany
and via Live Stream**

Starting time 13:00 CEST

Highlights

Regulatory and risk management

- European Union update on FCM in foodstuffs
- From risk assessment to risk management of NIAS

Genotoxicity assessment

- EFSA's new assessment on styrene
- Novel methodology to assess genotoxicity in FCM

BPA

- Recent German BfR data on human BPA exposure
- Bisphenol analysis: Regulatory gaps and laboratory insights

Analytical challenges and test harmonisation

- FCM testing – safety and compliance in paper packaging
- JRC on challenges in harmonising migration test procedures

Mineral oil hydrocarbons (MOH)

- Mineral vs. synthetic oil: MOAH content and analytical differences
- Hydrocarbons in hotmelt adhesives for food packaging – reduction of mineral oil migration

Risk, PFAS, analysis

- Alternatives to PFAS in plastic
- Results of the UBA PFAS project
- Non-target analysis of PET bottles with and without recycle



The Experts

Zainab Al Harraq European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) | **Thomas Behnke** Institut Kirchhoff, Mérieux NutriSciences | **Stefanka Bratinova** European Commission Joint Research Centre (JRC) | **Juan-Carlos Carrillo** Shell International | **Laurence Castle** formerly Fera Science | **Riccardo Crebelli** formerly Italian National Institute of Health (ISS) | **Thomas Letzel** Analytical Institute for Non-Target Screening | **Claudia Lorenz** German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR) | **Maricel Marin-Kuan** Nestlé Research | **Birgit Mertens** S ciensano | **Peter K. T. Oldring** Sherwin Williams | **Max Schneider** PTS – Institut für Fasern & Papier | **Dieter Schrenk** University of Kaiserslautern-Landau | **Thomas Simat** Technische Universität Dresden | **Dennis Snelders** Danone Nutricia Research | **Lionel Spack** Nestlé | **Natalie Stark** State Institute for Chemical and Veterinary Control (CVUA) Stuttgart | **Monika Tönnießen** Henkel | **Hares Wahdat** LyondellBasell Industries

Monday, 6 October 2025



Afternoon Session | 13:00 – 18:10 CEST

12:00 Lunch buffet, on-site registration and opening of the virtual meeting room

13:00 Welcoming speech by the organisers and the Chair
Dieter Schrenk, University of Kaiserslautern-Landau, Germany

The presentation slots include sufficient time for questions and answers.

Regulatory and risk management

13:10 European Union update on food contact materials (FCM) in foodstuffs: Update on the revision of the FCM legislation and other activities

Representative of the European Commission or a Member State authority (confirmed)

14:10 Metal cans with plastic caps for infant formula – food safety and regulatory compliance

- Global regulatory requirements
- Migration testing approaches
- Danone Specialized Nutrition internal requirements

Dennis Snelders, Danone Nutricia Research, The Netherlands

14:45 From risk assessment to risk management of NIAS, a follow-up

Lionel Spack, Nestlé, Switzerland

15:20 Coffee break

Analytical challenges and test harmonisation

15:50 Challenges in the harmonisation of the migration test procedures

- Data from two EURL-FCM proficiency tests
- On-going activities and link to the consortium's upcoming activities

Stefanka Bratinova, European Commission Joint Research Centre (JRC) and EURL-FCM (ScreenFood4Safety collaborator), Belgium (virtually)

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Central European Summer Time CEST.

16:25 Analytical challenges in FCM testing

- Different mix of materials: Paper vs. paper with plastics

Natalie Stark, State Institute for Chemical and Veterinary Control (CVUA) Stuttgart, Germany

BPA

17:00 Current data from the German BfR on human exposure to bisphenol A (BPA)

- Current situation, conclusion and outlook

Claudia Lorenz, German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR), Germany

17:35 Bisphenol analysis between regulation and practice – challenges and insights from a laboratory perspective

Thomas Behnke, Kirchhoff Institut Berlin, a Mérieux NutriSciences company, Germany

18:10 End of the first conference day

19:30 Joint evening event



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Tuesday, 7 October 2025

Timings are in
Central European Summer Time CEST.

Morning Session | 08:20 – 12:00 CEST

08:20 Welcoming address and opening remarks by the Chairs

Peter K. T. Oldring, Sherwin Williams, UK
Laurence Castle, formerly Fera Science, UK

Genotoxicity assessment

08:30 Re-assessment of the risks to public health related to the genotoxicity of styrene in plastic food contact materials

Zainab Al Harraq, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), Italy
Riccardo Crebelli, formerly Italian National Institute of Health (ISS), Italy (virtually)

09:10 Results from novel methodology to assess genotoxicity in food contact materials

Maricel Marin-Kuan, Nestlé Research, Switzerland

09:45 Coffee break

Mineral oil hydrocarbons (MOH)

10:15 Toxicological comparison of mineral vs. synthetic oil

- Tissue retention
- MOAH content
- Analytical differences in tissues and blood

Juan-Carlos Carrillo, Shell International, The Netherlands

10:50 Hydrocarbons in hotmelt adhesives for food packaging – reduction of mineral oil migration

- Contribution of hotmelts to MOSH/MOAH fraction
- Raw material characterisation regarding MOSH/MOAH
- Optimisation of adhesive formulations

Monika Tönnießen, Henkel, Germany

Risk, PFAS, analysis

11:25 PFAS in food contact materials – overview and challenges

Thomas Simat, Technische Universität Dresden, Germany

12:00 Lunch

Afternoon Session | 12:40 – 15:00 CEST

12:40 VERMEER and SILIFOOD

- VERMEER: A tool integrating exposure and hazard modelling for chemicals migrating from food contact materials
- SILIFOOD: A tool to support the risk assessment of FCM-related compounds

Birgit Mertens, Sciensano, Belgium

13:15 Results of the UBA PFAS project

- Analysis of PFAS substance flows in paper mills that do not use fluorine-containing additives in the process
- Results and outlook

Max Schneider, PTS – Institut für Fasern & Papier, Germany

13:50 Non-target analysis of PET bottles – differentiation between bottles with PET recyclate and without PET recyclate

Thomas Letzel, Analytical Institute for Non-Target Screening, Germany

14:25 Alternatives to fluorine-containing processing aid

Hares Wahdat, LyondellBasell Industries, Belgium

15:00 End of the conference

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- ☒ Food trade
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- ☒ Food inspection offices
- ☒ Laboratories
- ☒ Research institutes
- ☒ Authorities
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