

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: Veterinary Researcher

Current EFSA involvements: Member-BIOHAZ Panel 2012-2015 (BIOHAZ), Member-Scrapie situation in the EU after 10 years of monitoring and control in sheep and goats (EFSA-Q-2012-00646) (BIOHAZ), Hearing Expert-WG on BSE risk in bovine intestine and mesentery EFSA-Q-2012-00247 (BIOHAZ)

Nature of Activities	Period	Organisation	Subject matter
I. Economic interest			NO INTEREST
II. Member of a management body or equivalent structure			NO INTEREST
III. Member of a scientific advisory body	02/2010 - 01/2011	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - BSE/TSE infectivity in small ruminant tissues (EFSA-Q-2010-00052) (BIOHAZ)
	02/2010 - 09/2009	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - CRL-EFSA Zoonoses Meeting (Zoonoses)

IV. Employment	02/1991 - now	-Name: AHVLA, Defra	<p>AHVLA is an executive agency of Defra. I have been active in the field of TSE-specific veterinary research and surveillance since 1991. Responsible for the pathology component of research into the pathology and pathogenesis of TSE in food animal species, including bioassay and strain typing. Responsible for the confirmatory diagnosis of all surveillance aspects in the UK. Reference laboratory consultancy role as OIE nominated expert, and head of the EU community Reference Laboratory for TSE.</p> <p>In the context of our role in the EU reference laboratory, I and several colleagues have been working in collaboration with the Cypriot Veterinary Authorities on the Cypriot 'Genetic Resistance in Goats' protocol, funded in parallel with the EURL by DG SANCO.</p> <p>AHVLA have been awarded the contract for the bovine mesentery RA related to the bovine mesentery WG EFSA-Q-2012-00247</p>
V. Ad hoc or occasional consultancy (Close family member)	08/1996 - now	-Name: AHVLA; Defra; EU Reference Laboratory; OIE reference laboratory	<p>Provision of consultancy/advice worldwide. Ad hoc advice to any country on behalf of the OIE - contribution to Manual chapters, referral diagnostics and EQA on behalf of the European Commission through the Community Reference Laboratory functions since 2002. As of 2009 I am on the WHO IHR roster of Experts (Veterinary issues).</p> <p>My husband and a colleague are both members of an IETS working group on scrapie transmission and embryo transfer.</p>
VI. Research funding	04/2012 - now	-Name: Defra	<p>“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”</p>
VII. Intellectual property rights			NO INTEREST
VIII. Other membership or affiliation	11/2011 - now	-Name: Royal College of Pathologists	I am a Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists (through publication)
IX. Other relevant interest			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: 25/09/2012 Signature: SIGNED