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Re: Your request for a full list of retrieved articles on BPA

Dear Ms. Fenger,

Thank you for your letter dated 17th December 2010. Please find attached the full list of retrieved articles that were screened by the EFSA CEF Panel and Working Groups during the preparation of the Scientific Opinion on Bisphenol A published on 30th September 2010.

The CEF Panel has reviewed toxicological data published between January 2007 (i.e. publication date of the previous opinion on BPA by EFSA) and July 2010 mainly focusing on toxicokinetic, human and animal toxicity studies.

For risk assessment purposes only studies complying with the following *inclusion criteria* were considered (see page 39):

- (a) Full research papers published in peer-reviewed journals available in public domains;
- (b) Original data (no reviews, discussions or others);
- (c) All human studies (presented in Section 5.1 on pages 52-61);
- (d) Animal toxicity studies whose experimental design involved developmental exposure (pre-, peri-, and/or early post-natal exposure), an oral route of BPA exposure, and testing several doses (plus a control) including at least one below 5 mg/kg b.w./day (low-dose studies). Animal toxicity studies were further assessed with respect to specific *quality criteria as* reported in Section 5.2 (on page 61) of the Opinion. Accordingly, the animal toxicity studies that were considered for risk assessment purposes are presented throughout Section 5.2 of the opinion.

Section 5.3 (pages 70-76) includes studies not compliant with the above criteria, and therefore of limited applicability to risk assessment, but of relevance for hazard identification and for support of biological plausibility.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any additional question regarding this issue.

Yours sincerely,

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Annex: Full list of scientific articles on BPA

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