

COT Meeting: 20th May 2025

Meeting Agenda

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Introduction from the New Chair.
3. Draft minutes and reserved minutes of the Tuesday 25th March 2025 meeting TOX/MIN/2025/02.
4. Matters arising.
5. Committee Advice on the Authorisation of the substance Blue Microalgae Extract (Blue Galdieria Extract) for Use as a New Food Additive in the 'Colour' Functional Class. (RP507) (Reserved). TOX/2025/19.
6. Safety of Nitrates and Nitrites as Food Additives- Presentation from RSM UK Consulting LLP (reserved) TOX/2025/20.
7. Discussion paper on the effects of calcidiol supplementation during preconception, pregnancy and lactation TOX/2025/21.
8. First draft statement on mercury in the maternal diet TOX/2025/22.
9. Statement on the derivation of a health-based guidance value for antimony – First Draft TOX/2025/23.
10. Update on the work of other FSA Scientific Advisory Committees - for information TOX/2025/24.
11. Any other business.

Matters arising:

- JEG Updates
- Flavourings guidance: weight-of-evidence document for exposure assessment (Reserved) TOX/2025/18.

- Subgroups and working groups

Media discussed during the meeting

TOX/MIN/2025/02

[Draft Minutes of the 25th March 2025 COT Meeting](#)

TOX/2025/18

(Reserved)

TOX/2025/19

(Reserved)

TOX/2025/20

(Reserved)

TOX/2025/21

[Discussion paper on the effects of calcidiol supplementation during preconception, pregnancy and lactation](#)

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[View Discussion paper on the effects of calcidiol supplementation during preconception, pregnancy and lactation as PDF \(456.47 KB\)](#)

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[First Draft Statement on the Effects of Mercury on Maternal Health](#)

[Annex A - First Draft Statement on the Effects of Mercury on Maternal Health](#)

[Annex B - First Draft Statement on the Effects of Mercury on Maternal Health](#)

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[Statement on the derivation of a health-based guidance value for antimony – First Draft](#)

[Annex 1 to TOX/2025/23](#)

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[Update on the work of other Scientific Advisory Committees- May 2025](#)