Monthly Update on Activity of the Food Safety Commission of Japan (FSCJ) June 2014

Discussions from the 516th to 519th Meetings of the Commission held on the 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th of June 2014 are summarized as follows:

(1) Risk assessment requests on the following items were made by risk management organizations¹.

Veterinary medicinal products	Meloxicam
Genetically modified foods	· L-Citrulline produced by using CPR strain.
	· L-Hydroxyproline produced by using AHD strain.
Food for specified health uses	• Kuzu no megumi
Exempted Substances ²	Itaconic acid
	Glycerine acetate fatty acid ester
	• Glucan
	Polyglycerine fatty acid ester

(2) The Risk Assessment Reports on the following items were finalized and notified to the relevant risk management organizations concerned.

Pesticides

Item	ADI
Kresoxim-methyl	0.36 mg/kg bw per day
Chlorantraniliprole	0.26 mg/kg bw per day
Metaflumizone	0.12 mg/kg bw per day

Pesticides and veterinary medicinal products

Item	ADI
Fenitrothion	0.0049 mg/kg bw per day
Lufenuron	0.014 mg/kg bw per day

Apparatus/Container and Package

Item	TDI
Dibutyl phthalate	0.005 mg/kg bw per day

¹ E.g. the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW), Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF), Consumer Affairs Agency (CAA).

² On May 29, 2006 the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) introduced the positive list system for agricultural chemicals remaining in foods to prohibit the distribution of foods that contain agricultural chemicals above a certain level if maximum residue limits (MRLs) have not been established. Exempted Substances are designated as substances having no potential to cause damage to human health by the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare, based on the provision of Paragraph 3, Article 11 of the Food Sanitation Law, and these substances are not subjected to the positive list system.

Genetically modified foods

Item	Conclusion
Soybean MON87769 line ³	Based on the "Standards for the Safety Assessment of Genetically Modified
	Foods (seed plants)" ⁴ , the item was assessed not to affect human health.

Food for specified health uses

Item	Conclusion
SUHADA water	The item has no concern relevant to human health, as long as the human health
	risk is assessed based on the documents presented by the applicant.

 $^{^3}$ Soybean line which produces stear idonic acid 4 "Standards for the Safety Assessment of Genetically Modified foods (seed plants) (Decision of the Commission dated 29 January 2004)"