

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: Associate Professor

Current EFSA involvements: Vice-Chair-BIOHAZ Panel 2015-2018 (BIOHAZ), Alternate member-Scientific Committee 2015-2018 (SC), Chair-BIOHAZ WG on heat treatment of bivalve molluscs (EFSA-Q-2015-00161) (BIOHAZ), Member-WG on Scientific Opinion on the growth of spoilage bacteria during storage and transport of meat (EFSA-Q-00163) (BIOHAZ), Member-WG on clarification on the Scientific Opinion on the public health risks related to the maintenance of the cold chain during storage and transport of meat (2015-00162) (BIOHAZ)

Nature of Activities	Period	Organisation	Subject matter
I. Economic interest			NO INTEREST
II. Member of a managing entity or equivalent structure			NO INTEREST
III. Member of a scientific advisory entity			NO INTEREST

IV. Employment	08/2002 - now	-Name: Aristotle University of Thessaloniki	<p>The duties I carry under my employment include teaching, research ,supervision of PhD and Master Students, and administration</p> <p>Teaching. Responsible for the following graduate courses: a)General Microbiology (4 credits), b)Food Quality and Safety Assurance (4 credits),c)Applied statistics in Food Science (4 credits) Responsible for the following master courses: a)Predictive Microbiology and Microbial Risk Assessment (3 credits)</p> <p>Research. Leader of a research team (1 PostDoc researcher, 2 PhD students, 5 Master students) in the Lab. Of Food Microbiology and Hygiene. Preparation of research project proposals, project management, reporting, experimental design, data analysis, dissemination of results Supervision of 2 PhD and 5 Master students</p> <p>Administration. Participation on administration working groups (education program, staff promotion etc) for the Department of Food Science and Technology and for Aristotle University of Thessaloniki</p>
V. Occasional consultancy			NO INTEREST
VI. Research funding	08/2002 - now	-Name: Aristotle University of Thessaloniki	<p>In the last 5 years I have participated as a coordinator or partner in the following research projects. The percentage of the research budget managed by my and my Unit in 2014 coming from private funding is less than 10% of the total funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ‘Improving the Quality and Safety of Beef and Beef Products for the Consumer in Production and Processing EU Framework VI programme on Food Quality and Safety’, ProSafeBeef “Food-CT-2006-36241”, 2007-2011. (Scientific Coordinator of A.U.Th.) • ‘Understand the impact of production processes on the ecology of microorganisms that contaminate milk products (ESL, evaporated milk) and fresh fruit juices- Development of molecular methodologies and mathematical models to predict the service life’, SYNERGASIA,General Secretariat for Research and Technology, 2010-2012 (Scientific Coordinator of A.U.Th.) • ‘Biological investigation of the forces that influence the life of pathogens having a mission to survive in various lifestyles, Biofilms’. Thales: “Reinforcement of the interdisciplinary and/or inter-institutional research and innovation with the possibility of attracting high standard researchers from abroad through the implementation of basic and applied excellence research” (Scientific Coordinator of A.U.Th.) • ‘Development, mathematical modelling and optimal design of non-thermal technologies for processing, packaging, distribution and storage of safe high quality food products’. Thales: “Reinforcement of the interdisciplinary and/or inter-institutional research and innovation with the possibility of attracting high standard researchers from abroad through the implementation of basic and applied excellence research” (Member of the scientific group of A.U.Th.) • ‘Functional dairy and meat products with high added value fermented or enriched with new probiotic microorganisms isolated from Greek traditional products’, SYNERGASIA, General Secretariat for Research and Technology (Scientific Coordinator of A.U.Th.)

VII. Intellectual property rights			NO INTEREST
VIII. Other memberships or affiliations			NO INTEREST
IX. Other relevant interest			NO INTEREST
X. Interests of close family members			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: 30/11/2015 Signature: **SIGNED**