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REVISED ORDER OF RISK ASSESSMENT FOR PHASMARHABDITIS CALIFORNICA STRAIN P19D AND MORAXELLA OSLOENSIS USED AS A PLANT PROTECTION PRODUCT

We refer to the order of the assessment of the organism *Phasmarhabditis californica* (strain P19D) (23.11.2020). The Norwegian Scientific Committee for Food and Environment has informed us that the Norwegian and English versions of the letters sent 23.11.2020 were somewhat different, and also that *P. californica* is a vector for the bacteria *Moraxella osloensis* and the fact that this bacteria is the actual biocontrol agent in the product Nemaslug 2.0.

The Norwegian Food and Health Authority hereby ask for an assessment of both of the organisms *Phasmarhabditis californica* (strain P19D) and *Moraxella osloensis*. This order replace the order of 23.11.2020.

In this regard, The Norwegian Food Safety Authority would like an assessment of the following for the organisms *Phasmarhabditis californica* (strain P19D) and *Moraxella osloensis*:

- The prevalence of both species and whether they are naturally occurring in Norway.
- The organisms potential to survive and spread in the environment under Norwegian conditions, specified for the use in greenhouses and outdoors.
- If the conclusion of the organisms potential to survive and spread in the environment under Norwegian conditions is uncertain, then the organisms potential negative effects on biodiversity should be assessed.
- The human health risk by using the plant protection product Nemaslug 2.0 and its organisms.
- Uncertainties about the organisms' taxonomy which may complicate the risk assessment.

Regarding the bacteria *Moraxella osloensis* we also would like an assessment whether it has other vectors than *Phasmarhabditis californica*, and if so whether the other vectors occur naturally in Norway.

A revised note of *Phasmarhabditis californica* and *Moraxella osloensis* from the Norwegian Food Safety Authority is attached.

Kind regards,

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Attachment:
Revidert notat- VKM

Attachments sent with the order of assessment 23.11.2020:

Følg brev fra søker
Søknadsskjema
Skjema IBCA
Søkers forslag til norsk etikett
Konfidensiell – non- target organisms
Konfidensiell – soil persistence trial
Notat MT *Phasmarhabditis californica*

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