

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE MICROBIOLOGICAL SAFETY OF FOOD

ACMSF HORIZON SCANNING

1. The ACMSF held a preliminary discussion on horizon scanning at its 43rd meeting on 21 March 2002 on the basis of ACM/559. The aim was to identify emerging issues which might merit detailed attention by the Committee in the short to medium-term.
2. During the course of the discussion on 21 March, Members put forward suggestions of what potential new or unusual microbiological risks might emerge. The Chairman asked Members to prioritise their suggestions and submit them so as to inform the Committee's further consideration of this issue on 27 June. Suggestions received are at Annex A.
3. Members' views are invited on the topics identified and any other candidates for attention by the ACMSF.

**Secretariat
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