

ACAF Annual Report 2024/25 - Appendix I - Information about the Committee

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Appendix I - Information about the Committee

Members

The Advisory Committee on Animal Feedingstuffs (ACAF) comprises an independent chair and fourteen independent members.

Professor Nick Wheelhouse (Interim Chair)

Professor Nick Wheelhouse is Professor of Comparative Infectious Disease at Edinburgh Napier University; he holds a BSc in Agricultural Biochemistry and Nutrition from Newcastle University and a PhD in Animal Science from the University of Aberdeen.

Professor Nicholas Jonsson

Professor Nicholas Jonsson (Nick) is the Head of Ruminant, Technical for Harbro Limited, and Honorary Professor of Animal Health and Production at the University of Glasgow.

Dr Barry Bradford

Dr Barry Bradford is a lecturer and research lead at The Roslin Institute and Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies at The University of Edinburgh.

Martin Briggs

Martin Briggs is a feed industry expert with over 46 years' experience in farm animal feeds. He has a degree in Applied Biology and is currently an independent feed industry consultant. He was previously employed as a Technical Manager for GLW Feeds Ltd, a large multi-species compound feed manufacturer, with previous roles as Mill and Operations Managers.

Professor Emily Burton

Emily Burton is Professor of Sustainable Food Production and co-lead for Nottingham Trent University Sustainable Futures Research Theme. She has worked alongside the poultry industry on research programmes for 25 years and now leads the University's Poultry Nutrition Research Unit.

Professor Katrina Campbell

Professor Katrina Campbell is a Professor in Food Security and Diagnostics within the Institute for Global Food Security, School of Biological Sciences at Queen's University Belfast

Professor Matthew Fisher (Retired January 2025)

Professor Matthew Fisher is a professor of fungal disease epidemiology in the MRC Centre for Global Infectious Disease Analysis, Imperial College London School of Public Health. He has over 25 years of experience working on one-health aspects of fungal epidemiology, microbiome biology, microbial genetics and antimicrobial resistance.

Hannah Kane

Hannah Kane brings over 13 years of experience in the feed and food industry, with a strong focus on the agricultural supply trade. She holds a BSc (Hons) in Nutrition from Robert Gordon University and a CQFW Level 7 qualification in Livestock Nutrition and Feeding from the University of Reading. Hannah has extensive expertise in quality assurance, feed safety compliance, and auditing across the animal feed supply chain. Her work includes risk analysis of raw material ingredients for animal feeds, as well as in-depth knowledge of feed legislation and compliance. She has industry experience in the import of raw material feed ingredients into the UK and EU, and domestically grown combinable crops. Hannah currently serves as QHSE Assistant Manager at Cefetra Ltd.

Susan MacDonald

Susan MacDonald is a chemical safety scientist with over 32 years' experience working on analysis and providing advice and training on mycotoxins and natural toxins in food and feed.

Dr Oonagh Markey (associate member June 2023- June 2024)

Dr Oonagh Markey is a Senior Lecturer in Nutritional Sciences at the School of Sport, Exercise and Health Sciences, Loughborough University and a Visiting Research Fellow at the Department of Food and Nutritional Sciences, University of Reading.

Christine McAlinden

Christine McAlinden a Board-Certified Toxicologist with over 25 years' experience in the testing and assessment of chemicals, pharmaceuticals, feed additives, cosmetics and biocides.

Dr Donald Morrison

Dr Donald Morrison is a microbiologist of 30 years plus experience working in the field of antimicrobial resistance (AMR).

Derek Renshaw

Derek Renshaw is an independent toxicologist with over 40 years of experience of assessing the safety of materials, with particular reference to the chemical safety of substances to which humans might be exposed.

Dr Michael Salter

Dr. Michael Salter was a scientific advisor to the senior leadership team of AB Agri Ltd. For in excess of 9 years he worked as an innovation scout and research manager for AB Agri looking to understand innovation in the commercial livestock industry.

Dr Adam Smith

Dr Adam Smith holds a B.Sc. in Animal Sciences from the University of London and a Ph.D. in Poultry Nutrition from Harper Adams University. He has over 27 years' experience of working in the global animal nutrition industry for market leading companies operating in the feed premix and additive space.

Christel Wake

Christel Wake has over 20 years of experience in agriscience, working for both government and industry. She is currently a global residue scientist in the agrochemical industry where she specialises in residues in food and dietary risk assessment.

Dr Helen Warren

Dr Helen Warren achieved her primary degree in Animal Science from the University of Wales, Aberystwyth, followed by her PhD in fatty acids in beef from the Faculty of Medical and Veterinary Sciences at the University of Bristol.

Members interests

A register of [Members' interests](#), both current and historic, is available on the ACAF website. The personal and non-personal interests of Members during the period of this report are detailed below:

Professor Nick Wheelhouse (Interim Chair)

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
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	Professor, Edinburgh Napier University (2016-present)
	External Examiner, Royal Veterinary College (2020-present)
Direct employment	Visiting Lecturer, University of Liverpool (2016-present)
	Associate Editor, Reproduction & Fertility (2020-present)
Consultancies and other fee-paid work.	Innovate UK assessor (2021-present)
	PhD examinations University of Sydney (2025)
Membership, affiliation, trusteeships or decision-making position with relevant organisations	Lead Global Research Alliance Animal Health & Greenhouse Gas Intensity Network (2021-present)
	Affiliate Researcher School of Biodiversity, One Health and Veterinary Sciences, University of Glasgow
Other Personal interests	Honorary Fellow Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies, Edinburgh
	Visiting Scientist International Livestock Research Institute.

Non-Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Indirect financial or non-financial support from relevant organisations	<p>AB Agri- Member of a research consortium which includes the Innovation lab as a partner organisation (2022-present)</p> <p>Member of research consortium funded by Global Methane Fund via Environmental Defense fund.</p>
Trusteeships	Trustee for the British Society for Animal Science

Dr Barry Bradford

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Direct employment	<p>Lecturer at The Roslin Institute and Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies, The University of Edinburgh.</p> <p>Funded by UKRI via BBSRC.</p>
Membership, affiliation, trusteeships or decision-making position with relevant organisations	Member of the British Neuroscience Association. ember and local representative for Prospect trade union

Other Personal interests	Reviewer Board member for International Journal of Molecular Sciences since 2021. Ad-hoc reviewer for numerous scientific journals.
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Non-Personal

No non-personal interests registered

Martin Briggs

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Direct employment	None
	ForFarmers UK (fee paying consultancy)
	Anitox UK (fee paying consultancy)
	AIC (Agricultural Industries Confederation) (fee paying consultancy)
Other fee-paid work from relevant organisations, consultancies	2Agriculture (fee paying consultancy)
	KIWA (UFAS auditor and trainer)
	NSF (GAFTA auditor)
	UKAS (assessor)
	FSA : ACMSF

Membership, affiliation, trusteeships or decision-making position with relevant organisations

Member of AIC UFAS Working and Review Groups, Manufacturing Committee and Joint Scheme Development Group

Non-Personal

No non-personal interests registered

Professor Emily Burton

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Direct employment	Nottingham Trent University. December 2008 to present
Other fee-paid work from relevant organisations, consultancies	July 2022: Consultancy for Avara Foods Ltd – conducted through my current employer (NTU): Independent review of their trial data. FSA: Science Council
Shareholdings	Shareholdings in Si Active Ltd - Company number 06932163
Membership, affiliation, trusteeships or decision-making position with relevant organisations	Director: Egg and Poultry Industry Conference Ltd; World's Poultry Science Association (WPSA) European Working Group on Poultry Nutrition: UK representative; WPSA UK branch member
Other	Husband is lay member of FSA Advisory Committee on Toxicology

Non-Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
	Travel costs paid to speak at conferences for the following organisations:
Indirect support	Animal Nutrition Association of Canada; European Federation of the World's Poultry Science Association; South African Feed Manufacturers' Association
Trusteeships	Bleasby Boost Fund (primary school fund-raising charity); Trustee: Gordon Memorial Trust; Trustee: British Poultry Science Trust;
Other	The commissioning of research or other work by, or advice from, staff who work in a unit for which a member is responsible: research commissioned for Avara Foods Ltd, 2 Sisters Food Group, ForFarmers, ABAgri, Kemin, Danisco, Alltech, Arden Biotech, Premier Nutrition, Deepbranch Biotech; Green Plains, Clonbiotech

Professor Katrina Campbell

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Direct Employment	Queen's University Belfast

Other fee-paid work from relevant organisations, Queen's University Belfast
consultancies

Membership, affiliation, trusteeships or decision- RSC and RSB
making position with relevant organisations

Non-Personal

No non-personal interests registered

Professor Matthew Fisher (Retired 31st January 2025)

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Direct employment	Imperial College London School of Public Health
Other fee-paid work from relevant organisations, consultancies	Gilead Scientific
Other personal interests	Defra Air Quality Expert Group

Non-Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Fellowships endowed by relevant organisations	CIFAR - Fellow

Professor Nicholas Jonsson

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Direct employment	University of Glasgow – since 2009
	Harbro Ltd – since February 2025
Other fee-paid work from relevant organisations, consultancies	Fundacao para e Ciencia e a Tecnologia (FCT) Portugal 2024
	BHJ Foods UK Ltd – 2023
	Harbro Limited – new project with UoG since 2024
Membership, affiliation, trusteeships or decision-making position with relevant organisations	Labour Party UK 2021-2024
	Glasgow Rugby League 2020-2024
	Member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons
	American Dairy Science Association 2023-present

	Editorial Board, Journal of Dairy Research – since 2021
	Editorial Board, The Veterinary Journal – since 2015
Other personal interests (all honorary positions)	Specialist Editor, International Journal for Parasitology – Drugs and Drug Resistance – since 2012
	Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons 2009-present
	British Society for Animal Science 2017-present
	Adjunct Professor, Queensland Alliance for Agriculture and Food Innovation, University of Queensland, Australia – since 2022

Non-Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Trusteeships	Trustee, Hannah Dairy Research Foundation – since 2021
	Junior VP, British Society of Animal Science – since 2024

Hannah Kane

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Direct employment	Cefetra Ltd (2012- present)

Membership, affiliation, trusteeships or decision-making position with relevant organisations

Member of TASC working group & FEMAS working group for the AIC

Non-Personal

No non-personal interests registered.

Susan MacDonald

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Direct employment	Fera Science Ltd (and predecessors) (1990-present)
Other fee-paid work from relevant organisations, consultancies	Invited to participate in JECFA 102 – review on dioxins and arsenic. To be held 14 to 23 October 2025.
Membership, affiliation, trusteeships or decision-making position with relevant organisations	Member of Trustee Board of 1st Clifton (York) Scout Group.
Other personal interests	Head of the UK National Reference Laboratory functions for Contaminants in food and feed

Non-Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
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FSA funding for relating to food and feed safety.

Other non-personal interests Current projects include NRL for Chemical Contaminants (2021-2025); Validation of analytical method for PFAS in fruit & vegetables (2025); Bioavailability of Hydrocyanogenic acid (2025-2026).

Contracts awarded for 2025-2029: NRL for Chemical Hazards and NRL for Feed and Food Additives

Dr Oonagh Markey (associate member June 2023- June 2024)

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Direct employment	Loughborough University - since 2016
Other fee-paid work from relevant organisations or consultancies	Member, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) Scientific and Technical Support Scheme – since 2023

Membership, affiliation, trusteeships or decision-making position with relevant organisations	Member and secretary, Federation of European Nutrition Societies (FENS) Working Group – since 2022
	Editorial Board, Journal of Nutrition – since 2021, no remuneration
	Science Committee Member, The Nutrition Society – since 2021
	Member, Food Standards Agency Register of Specialists – since 2019
	Member, Nutrition Society – since 2007
	Member, American Society for Nutrition – since 2014

Non-Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Indirect financial or non-financial support from relevant organisations	Arla Food Ingredients, indirect financial or non-financial support, including product-in-kind (since 2022)

Christine McAlinden

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Direct employment	toXcel International Ltd since March 2011

Other fee-paid work from relevant organisations or consultancies	As part of my job, I provide independent scientific consultancy to the chemical, cosmetic and pharmaceutical industry. Mostly related to non-clinical safety and registration requirements
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Membership, affiliation, trusteeships or decision-making position with relevant organisations	British Toxicology Society- Member Chartered Biologist Member of the Society of Cosmetic Chemists Diplomate American Board of Toxicology Eurotox Registered Toxicologist
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Non-Personal

No non-personal interests registered.

Dr Donald Morrison

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Direct employment	Edinburgh Napier University (Employee) (2014-present) Editor JAC-AMR (2022-present)
Other fee-paid work from relevant organisations, consultancies	PhD external examiner (2014-Present) Research funding application reviewer (2014-Present)

	Grant Funding Panel Member
	ENU Co-I on the NHS Assure Research Service Commissioning Partner since 2022
Other personal interests	British Society for Antimicrobial Chemotherapy since 2023
	International Microbiology Society (2015 – 2024)
	Microbiology Society (2015-2024)

Non-Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
	ENU Director of Studies for a Medical Research Scotland funded PhD Fellowship - Scottish Water are industrial partner organisation which contribute to the student stipend (2022 – present)
Indirect Support	ENU Director of Studies for a SUPER DTP (NERC) funded PhD Fellowship - Scottish Environment Protection Agency are CASE partner organisation which contribute to the student research budget (2023 – present)

Derek Renshaw

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
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Direct Employment Retired

Non-Personal

No non-personal interests registered.

Dr Michael Salter

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
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Direct employment	Retired
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Shareholdings	Broad spectrum Index funds No individual company shares
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Other personal interests	Personal interest in microbiome research
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Non-Personal

No non-personal interests registered.

Dr Adam Smith

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
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Direct employment	Chr. Hansen (UK) Ltd
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Non-Personal

No non-personal interests registered.

Christel Wake

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Direct Employment	Corteva Agriscience
Other fee-paid work from relevant organisations, consultancies	Civil Service Pension. FSA: COT
Membership, affiliation, trusteeships or decision-making position with relevant organisations	CLE residue definition subgroup member. OECD WG for residue definition guidance.

Non-Personal

No non-personal interests registered.

Dr Helen Warren

Personal

Category of Interest	Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)
Direct Employment	None.

Other fee-paid work from relevant organisations, consultancies

Works for Alltech on a self-employed basis as their European Technical Manager for Ruminants and Horses

Non-Personal

Category of Interest

Organisation/body and nature of interest (period)

Trusteeships

Senior vice president and a trustee of the British Society of Animal Science. However, the Society has no investment in related industry bodies

Other non-personal interests

One the Membership Committee for the Nutrition Society.