

## Scientific Committee Report 2019/20

\*As per September 24, 2020 the committee has changed name to the Science & Innovation Committee

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The Scientific Committee works according to an annual wheel specifying the duties and responsibilities of the committee.

In 2019/20 the Scientific Committee held five meetings. All three members attended all meetings within the member's term in 2019/2020. For more specific information about meeting attendance, please refer to [p. 52 of the 2019/20 Annual Report](#).

The Committee dealt with the following key matters:

### R&D strategies and portfolio

- Reviewed the Food Cultures & Enzymes (FC&E) plan and project portfolio incl. value and value dynamics.
- Reviewed the Health & Nutrition (H&N) plan and project portfolio incl. value and value dynamics.
- Deep dives on key projects within FC&E and H&N.
- Reviewed and provided input to the R&D Strategy 2020-2025.
- Reviewed the science business interphase under the headline "Science inspires business".

### R&D organization and governance

- Technology Innovation Steering Group updates, incl. activities on bioinformatics, strain improvements and microbial stability and production improvement.
- Reviewed the New Product Development (NPD) innovation index.
- As part of the theme "Science inspires business" the Committee performed a review of:
  - Analytical solutions
  - R&D process development
  - Animal Health & Nutrition Innovation.

### Intellectual Property (IP) and Global Regulatory Affairs (GRA)

- The Committee performed a review of:
  - activities and management of IP related topics under the different project portfolios
  - activities and management of GRA related topics.

### Scientific Committee matters and governance

- Reviewed continuous updates from the Portfolio Board and a status on core scientists.
- Reviewed an updated annual wheel for the work of the Committee.
- Conducted meetings with external experts on science business topics.
- Conducted a self-assessment, including a review of the Scientific Committee Charter.
- Conducted private meetings without the Executive Board being present.
- Approved a report on the committee's activities in 2018/19.
- Reviewed and approved the committee meeting calendar 2020-2022.