

List of Abbreviations

AID	Auswertungs- und Informationsdienst für Ernährung, Landwirtschaft und Forsten (Information Center for Nutrition, Agriculture, and Forestry), Germany
AgV	Arbeitsgemeinschaft der Verbraucherverbände (Federal Consumer Association), Germany
BDL	Bund der Landwirte (Farmers' Union), Germany
BEUC	Bureau Européen des Unions de Consommateurs (The European Consumers' Organization), Brussels
BfR	Bundesinstitut für Risikobewertung (Federal Institute for Risk Evaluation), Germany
BgVV	Bundesinstitut für Gesundheitlichen Verbraucherschutz und Veterinärmedizin (Federal Institute for Consumer Health Protection and Veterinary Medicine), Germany
BGA	Bundesgesundheitsamt (Federal Health Office), Germany
BMG	Bundesministerium für Gesundheit (Federal Ministry of Health), Germany
BML	Bundesministerium für Ernährung, Landwirtschaft und Forsten (Federal Ministry for Nutrition, Agriculture and Forestry), Germany
BMVEL	Bundesministerium für Verbraucherschutz, Ernährung und Landwirtschaft (Federal Ministry for Consumer Protection, Nutrition, and Agriculture) (2001-2005), Germany
BMELV	Bundesministerium für Ernährung, Landwirtschaft und Verbraucherschutz (Federal Ministry for Nutrition, Agriculture, and Consumer Protection) (2005-), Germany.
BSE	Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy

BVL	Bundesamt für gesundheitlichen Verbraucherschutz und Lebensmittelsicherheit (Federal Office for Consumer Health Protection and Food Safety), Germany
CAP	Common Agricultural Policy
CBL	Centraal Bureau Levensmiddelen (Central Retailers' Association), The Netherlands
CIAA	Confédération des Industries Agro-alimentaires de l'Union Européenne (Confederation of the EU Food and Drink Industry)
CMA	Centrale Marketing-Gesellschaft der Deutschen Agrarwirtschaft (Central Marketing Agency of German Agricultural Industries), Germany
COGEGA	General Committee for Agricultural Co-operation in the EU
COPA	Committee of Professional Agricultural Organizations in the EU
DBV	Deutscher Bauernverband (Farmers' Union), Germany
DEFRA	Department of Environment, Rural Affairs, and Food, UK
DG AGRI	Directorate-General for Agriculture, Rural Development and Fisheries, European Commission.
DG SANCO	Directorate-General for Consumer and Health Protection (DG Santé et Protection des Consommateurs), European Commission.
EFSA	European Food Safety Authority
EP	European Parliament
EU	European Union
EUREPGAP	Euro Retail Produce Working Good Agricultural Practice
FMD	Foot-and-Mouth-Disease
FSA	Food Standards Agency, United Kingdom
GFL	General Food Law in the EU
GMOs	Genetically Modified Organisms
HACCP	Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points
LEI	Landbouw Economisch Instituut (Agricultural Economics

	Research Institute), The Netherlands
LNV	Landbouw, Natuur, en Visserij (Ministry of Agriculture, Nature, and Fisheries); since 2002: Landbouw, Natuur, en Voedselkwaliteit (Agriculture, Nature, and Food Quality), The Netherlands
LOHAS	Lifestyle of Health and Sustainability
LTO	Land- en Tuinbouw Organisatie (Agricultural and Horticultural Association), The Netherlands
MAFF	Ministry for Agriculture, Food, and Fisheries, United Kingdom
MBM	Meat-and-Bone-Meal
NACNE	National Advisory Committee on Nutrition Education, UK
NFU	National Farmers' Union, UK
nvCJD	New Variant of Creutzfeld-Jakob-Disease
OVO	Onderzoek, Voorlichting, and Onderwijs (Research, Information, and Teaching)
QS	Qualitätssicherung Stufenübergreifend (Quality Assurance Scheme Across the Food Chain), Germany
RASFF	Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed
TAB	Büro für Technikfolgen-Abschätzung beim Deutschen Bundestag (Federal Office for Technology Assessment), Germany
TSE	Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies
VWA	Voedsel en Waren Autoriteit (Food and Consumer Products Authority), The Netherlands
VWS	Ministerie van Volksgezondheid, Welzijn, en Sport (Ministry of Public Health, Welfare and Sports), The Netherlands
VZBV	Verbraucherzentrale Bundesverband (Consumer Association), Germany