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PASSCLAIM has been based upon the Concerted Action FUFOSE “Functional Food Science in Europe”, which had been running between 1995 and 1998 within the programme FAIR of the Fourth Framework Programme.

These two projects have successfully completed the

FP4 and FP5 projects dealing with more specific issues of food and nutrition by adding horizontal and regulatory aspects of functional foods and health and nutrition claims. The results of PASSCLAIM have been and will be an important input into the regulation on nutrition and health claims made on foods, which is under discussion at the moment.

It has been a pleasure and an honour for me to negotiate and closely follow up PASSCLAIM.

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