



## *Newsletter No 10- 07*

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Dear CAM – supporters,

ANME wholeheartedly congratulates **Caroline Kramer**, in Switzerland, for having received the “**Prix Courage**”. In 2006 she uncovered a campaign against the people’s initiative “Yes to Complementary Medicine” by the Swiss Ministry for Health, and paid for it by losing her job.

Throughout Europe, **Traditional Medicines** are registered for use in a simplified manner according to the EU-Guidelines 2001/83/EG, a.k.a. 2004/24/EG, or nationally (in Germany), through § 109a AMG. You will soon be able to read the **statement on the problems regarding the practical realization of these guidelines** by going to our homepage, or you can presently request it via e-mail or by post.

On this note: the BfArM (national court, Germany) in Leipzig passed judgement in the case regarding “Gelee Royal” (Royal Jelly). Its deletion from the Traditional List at the instigation of the **BfArM in 1999**, due to the “shocking assumption of its harmlessness”, was not enough to justify its deletion, in the opinion of the BfArM (AZ:3C36.06). Now the BfArM and the national court in Berlin are challenged to deal with this “shocking assumption”. We will be keeping an eye on this.

The **EuGH** in Luxemburg has rejected a complaint put forth by anthroposophical manufacturers in the Netherlands (EuGH, AZ:C-84/06). Because these medicines do not fall under the regulation of either homeopathically nor phytologically produced medicines, they are treated as orthodox medicine. The required proof of effectiveness can however, not be delivered. It remains to be seen whether the Dutch manufacturers will switch to homeopathic or phytological production, or what consequences this judgement will have for the German region. The possibility of anthroposophical medication having a special status is also under discussion.

ANME requests your help in supporting the petition initiative of Greenpeace, Misereor, and many other organizations against putting patents on conventional forms of life, which will be presented to the European Patent Office (EPA): [www.keinpatentaufriere.de](http://www.keinpatentaufriere.de) and [www.no-patents-on-seeds.org](http://www.no-patents-on-seeds.org). Many thanks!

Best wishes from Schoeneck!

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