Global Minor Use Workshop
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Approaches to addressing minor uses internationally

OECD and Codex Activities

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Presentation Outline

• Codex activities

• OECD activities

• Going forward - beyond this workshop
Codex Activities

*Electronic Working Group on Minor Uses and Specialty Crops*
Purpose: to provide guidance to facilitate the establishment of Codex maximum residue levels (MRLs) for minor uses and specialty crops.

*Revision of the Classification of Foods and Animal Feeds*
Purpose: to incorporate more commodities into the existing classification.
Codex Electronic Working Group on Minor Uses and Specialty Crops

• Defining a minor use…..?

• Considered ‘dietary intake’ and ‘total production’

• Established:
  • minimum number field trials needed to support the establishment of Codex MRLs for minor crops/specialty crops
  • three categories of minimum 3-5 trials
  • label or official government letter – detailing GAP
  • global data sets (within 25% GAP)
  • proportionality & extrapolation
OECD Activities

• Residue Chemistry Expert Group (RCEG)

• Expert Group on Minor Uses (EGMU)
OECD – Residue Chemistry Expert Group

OECD MRL Calculator

- Statistical procedure for setting Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs).
- Calculator, user guide & white paper is available from OECD website.

Guidance Document on Crop Field Trials

- Assist in the planning of residue trials and interpretation of results.
- Covers: crop grouping, extrapolation, proportionality, geographical distribution & numbers of trials, equivalency of formulations etc.

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• OECD Survey on Efficacy & Crop Safety Data Requirements & Guidelines for the Registration of Pesticide Minor Uses: Survey Results
  {Series on Pesticides, No. 61 - ENV/JM/MONO(2011)13}

• OECD Survey on Regulatory Incentives for the Registration of Pesticide Minor Uses: Survey Results
  {Series on Pesticides, No. 62 - ENV/JM/MONO(2011)14}

• Publication of the OECD Guidance Document on Defining Minor Uses of Pesticides
  {Series on Pesticides, No. 49 - ENV/JM/MONO(2009)39}

• Guidance Document on Regulatory Incentives for the Registration of Pesticide Minor Uses
  {Series on Pesticides, No. 63 - ENV/JM/MONO(2011)16}
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Current activities

• Processes to address & solve minor uses

• Global Joint Reviews – maximising outcomes & opportunities

• Efficacy & Crop Safety – use of international data
Going Forward – beyond this workshop

• 3 Primary Priorities & 6 Backup Priorities

• Regulatory agencies to liaise **CENTRALLY** via EGMU members with Lead Project Managers and National Project Liaisons:
  
  **Aim:**
  - Seek regulatory **AGREEMENT** on data package

  **How:**
  - Consider and advise on **RESEARCH PROTOCOLS**, numbers of trials, locations, GAP etc.
  - Inclusive of OECD members and other countries

• Opportunities for **GLOBAL JOINT REVIEWS** / shared assessments