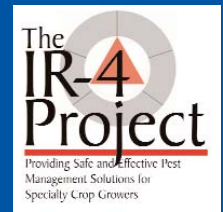


Global Minor Use Summit Program

3-7 December, 2007
Rome, Italy



Background

The increasing consumption and global trade of specialty / minor crops demand efficient crop protection measures that facilitate international trade, suit the needs of farmers, ensure efficacy, ensure food and environmental safety, and benefit consumers. Obstacles, such as disincentives for pesticide development and registration, financial and technical constraints for residue data generation and discrepancies in regulatory standards among countries, limit access to newer and less hazardous pest control methods for growers, raise trade issues and increase food safety concerns.

While various countries have worked to develop specific strategies focused on specialty crops and minor uses there is still much work to be done from a global perspective. The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the US Department of Agriculture (USDA: the Foreign Agricultural Service and The Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service's IR-4 Project) and the US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) have jointly initiated the Global Minor Use Summit. The special issues of crop protection for specialty crops will be specifically addressed over the five days of the conference.

Day 1 is designed to set the stage by providing information on what's going on where you are, how it is working-- what is going well, what are the challenges, what needs to change, and what are the "unidentified" issues from a global perspective. This will be described from the point of view of geographic regions; growers; the crop protection industry; the import/export business; and foodretailers, producers and consumers.

Day 2 continues to set the stage by providing information on what is currently being done to address minor use issues around the globe including OECD and EPPO efforts; looking at efficacy and crop safety data development issues; reviewing in detail current data generation efforts from the point of view of geographic regions; crop grouping harmonization efforts; and on-going cooperation in the area of data development, data-sharing, global registrations, MRL harmonization, and developing country initiatives.

Day 3 and the morning of Day 4 provide an opportunity to synthesize the information provided in the first two days and propose "global" solutions to specific issues. This will be done through break-out groups focusing on specific issues and then in a plenary session where future plans will be developed.

Day 4 afternoon and Day 5 provide in-depth training on various topics.

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Global Minor Use Summit

Monday, 3 December, 2007

Current Minor Use Status and Challenges

Moderator: Gero Vaagt

- 09:00 – 09:15 Opening Remarks —
Shivaji Pandey, FAO
- 09:15 – 09:30 USDA — Gale Buchanan
Under Secretary
- 09:30 – 09:45 U.S. EPA — James Gulliford,
Assistant Administrator
- 09:45 – 10:00 Goals and Objectives of the Summit
Jerry Baron,
Summit Organizing Committee
- 10:00 – 10:20 Coffee Break
- 10:20 – 12:15 Global Minor Use Panel
Current State of Specialty Crop
Programs, Initiatives, &
Challenges

Panel by Regions:

- Africa — Sandra Keller, South Africa
 - Asia — Nuansri Tayaputch, Thailand
 - Australia/Oceania — Peter Dal Santo
Australia
 - Europe — Susanne Sütterlin,
The Netherlands
 - North America — Dan Kunkel, USA
 - Latin America — Adriana Velez,
Colombia
- 12:15 – 12:45 Q & A Session for Global Minor Use by
Regions Panel
- 12:45 – 14:15 Lunch Break
- 13:30 – 14:15 Presentation on MRL Database,
Matthew Lantz
- 14:15 – 18:15 Continued Global Minor Use—
Current State of Specialty Crop
Programs, Initiatives, & Challenges

Panel by Sectors:

- 14:15 – 15:30 Growers
› Wally Ewart,
California Citrus Quality Council
› Houbin Chen, China
Litchi Growers Association
› Richard Harnden, Berry Garden, Ltd., UK
› Bernd Holtschulte, International
Seed Federation
› Enrique Negrete, Mexican Avocado
Growers Association
- 15:30 – 16:00 Q & A Session for Growers
- 16:00 – 16:15 Coffee Break
- 16:15 – 17:15 Crop Protection Industry
› Angel Saavedra, CropLife Latin
America
› Doug Nelson, CropLife America
› David van Hoogstraten, European Crop
Care Association
- 17:15 – 17:30 Q & A Sessions for Crop Protection
Industry
- 17:30 – 18:15 Import/Export Business, Food Retailers,
Producers, Consumers
› Caroline Harris, Exponent;
› Kristian Möller, EUREPGAP;
- 18:15 – 18:30 Q & A Session for Import/Export
Business, Food Retailers, Producers,
Consumers
- 18:30–18:45 Wrap-up Day 1; Review
Day 2 Schedule — Jerry Baron
- 19:00 – 21:00 Reception — Provided by the Australian
Government

Global Minor Use Summit

Tuesday, 4 December, 2007

Technical Initiatives & Challenges, Cooperation, and Policy Considerations

Morning Moderator: Constance Jackson

- 09:00 – 09:10 Overview of the Day - Jerry Baron
- 09:10 – 09:40 Thought Starter: Work by the OECD Expert Group on Minor Uses (EGMU) Sylvie Poret, OECD and Alan Norden, Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)
- 09:40 – 10:00 Report From the EPPO Workshop on Mutual Recognition of Minor Uses Berlin, Germany October 2006 Vlasta Zlof, European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organization(EPPO)
- 10:00 – 10:20 Report on OECD Residue Chemistry Expert Working Group — Raj Bhula
- 10:20 – 10:40 Efficacy and Crop Safety Data Development Issues, David Richardson, Pesticide Safety Directorate
- 10:40 – 11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00 – 13:00 Technical Initiatives and Challenges:
Data Generation - Panel Discussion
- › Africa — Lucy Namu, Kenya
 - › Asia — Yibing He, China
 - › Latin America— Roberto Gonzalez, Chile
 - › Europe— Sonia Barker, EU; Karsten Hohgardt, Germany
 - › Oceania — Kevin Bodnaruk
 - › North America— Ken Campbell, Canada
 - › Crop Protection Industry — Michael Kaethner, CropLife International
- 13:00 – 14:30 Lunch Break

Afternoon Moderator: Mark Robson

- 14:30 – 15:00 Q & A Session for Data Generation
- 15:00 – 15:40 Technical Initiatives and Challenges:
Crop Grouping Initiatives
- Importance of Crop Grouping and Residue Extrapolation; Existing Crop Grouping/Classification Systems – EU, Codex, Japan, US — Dave Lunn, New Zealand, Food Safety Authority
 - Crop Grouping Harmonization Effort Bernie Schneider, US Environmental Protection Agency, Hong Chen, International Crop Grouping Consulting Committee
- 15:40 – 16:00 Q & A Session for Crop Grouping Initiatives
- 16:00 – 16:20 Coffee Break
- 16:20 – 18:20 Cooperation & Policy Considerations:
Presentations by Sectors: Government, Industry, Growers
- › Global Zoning & Residue Programs — Jeff Herndon, US Environmental Protection Agency
 - › FAO Initiative on Residue Data Sharing and Networking — Gero Vaagt, FAO
 - › Steps Towards a Harmonised Minor Use Authorisation Procedure in the EU Peter Watson, European Crop Protection Agency
 - › Global Regulatory Initiative— Lois Rossi, US Environmental Protection Agency
 - › Registrant Considerations in Proposing Global Joint Review/Workshare — Bernhard Johnen, CropLife International
- 18:20 – 18:45 Q & A Session for Cooperation and Policy Considerations
- 18:45 – 19:00 Wrap-up Day 2; Instructions for Day 3

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Wednesday, 5 December, 2007

Seeking Solutions

09:00 – 10:40	Break-out Sessions
10:40 – 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 – 13:00	Continue Break-out Sessions
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch Break
14:30 – 15:30	Break-out Groups Meet Finalize Reports & Recommendations
15:30 – 17:50	Reports & Recommendations From Break-Out Groups — Panel with break-out group leaders
16:30 – 16:50	Coffee Break Included
17:50 – 18:00	Wrap-up Day 3; Review Day 4 & Day 5 Schedules

Break-out Group Leaders

Residue Trials/Data Generation

Dan Kunkel

Roberto Gonzales

Mechanisms and Platform for Data Sharing/ Information Sharing; Network; Long-term Training

Bill Bryant

Mario Wick

Yongzhen Yang

MRL Harmonization

Peter Chan

Raj Bhula

Commodity Groups/Growers

Dan Botts

Houbin Chen

Regulatory Issues and Initiatives with Focus on Industry Issues

Kathy Monk

Peter Watson

Efficacy and Crop Safety Data Development

Alan Norden

Susanne Sütterlin

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Topics for Break-out Sessions

Group A: Residue Trials/Data Generation Moderators: Dan Kunkel, IR-4 Project; Roberto Gonzales, University of Chile

Strategies for identifying and collecting information on existing national/regional residue data generation programs; identify differences in national requirements for conducting residue trials and opportunities to harmonize requirements; identify mechanisms for storing and sharing available residue data for minor uses; identify opportunities for collaborative data generation to support minor uses; critique effectiveness of current crop grouping harmonization efforts

Group B: Mechanisms and Platform for Data Sharing/Information Sharing; Network; Long-term Training Moderators: Bill Bryant, Bryant Christie, Inc; Mario Wick, Federal Biological Research Center for Agriculture and Forestry; Yongzhen Yang, FAO

Strategies for identifying and collecting information on existing data sharing programs; identify mechanisms for sharing available data on, for example, minor use assessments, recent minor use approvals, current & proposed projects; joint reviews; and contact information; strategies for facilitating networking; strategies and priorities for long-term training programs

Group C: MRL Harmonization

Moderators: Peter Chan, Pest Management Regulatory Agency, Canada; Raj Bhul, Australian Pesticide and Veterinary Medicine Authority

Identify existing national/regional/ international MRL setting programs; importance of harmonized MRLs with focus on minor uses; mechanisms to identify minor uses with MRL harmonization issues; opportunities and strategies to achieve MRL harmonization

Group D: Commodity Groups/Growers

Moderators: Dan Botts, Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association; Houbin Chen, Litchi Grower Association
Identify issues growers have in producing minor crops; identify most effective types of assistance from governments and the crop protection industry to facilitate minor crop production; identify possible collaborative efforts to address grower minor use issues; discuss existing minor use programs, common elements of effective programs, mechanisms for expansion or setting up new programs; importance of harmonization issues from grower viewpoint; include consideration of very minor uses

Group E: Regulatory Issues and Initiatives with Focus on Industry Issues

Moderators: Kathy Monk, US Environmental Protection Agency; Peter Watson, CropLife International
Identify issues the industry faces in developing crop protection products for minor uses; propose mechanisms/collaborative efforts to address these issues; discussion of existing minor use programs, common elements of effective programs, mechanisms for expansion or setting up new programs; identify incentives, include consideration of very minor uses

Group F: Efficacy and Crop Safety Data Development

Moderators: Alan Norden, Australian Pesticide and Veterinary Medicine Authority; Susanne Sütterlin
Strategies for identifying and collecting information on existing national/regional efficacy and crop safety data generation programs; identify differences in national requirements for conducting efficacy and crop safety trials and opportunities to harmonize requirements; identify mechanisms for storing and sharing available efficacy and crop safety data for minor uses; identify opportunities for collaborative efficacy/crop safety data generation to support minor uses

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Thursday, 6 & Friday, 7 December, 2007

Solutions & Future Plans

Moderator: Lois Rossi

- 9:00 – 9:30 Overview of Morning & Summary of Recommendations — Lois Rossi, US Environmental Protection Agency
- 9:30 – 10:15 Coffee Break/Informal Discussions
- 10:15 – 12:00 Develop Plans for Solutions — Panel with Break-out Group Leaders
- 12:00 – 12:30 Closing Remarks — Summit Organizing Committee

Training Session

- 14:00 – 14:10 Introduction — Jerry Baron
- 14:10 – 18:00 Coffee Break 16:10 – 16:30 included
- Session A. U.S./Canada/ IR-4 Model GLP Studies**
- Program Overview: History, Collaborations, Future Direction
Jerry Baron, IR-4 Project Executive Director
 - Residue Programs, Databases, Tolerance Petitions
Dan Kunkel, IR-4 Project Associate Director
 - GLP Field Trials and Field Data Books
Robin Bellinder, IR-4 Field Research Director
 - GLP Analytical Laboratory Procedures and Report — Pim Larsson-Kovach , IR-4 Analytical Laboratory Director
 - Quality Assurance Audit Procedures
Tammy White, IR-4 QA Manager
 - Discussion on Canadian requirement
Ken Campbell, Agriculture and AgFood Canada
 - Involvement of States in US Minor Crop Registrations, Mary-Ann Warmerdam, California Dept. of Pesticide Regulation

Training Session

Friday

- 09:00 – 12:00 **Session B. JMPR and CCPR Data Review Procedures**
Coffee Break 9:50 – 10:20 included
- Manufacturer Data Dossiers to JMPR
Caroline A Harris, Exponent
 - JMPR Review and MRL Recommendations — Arpad Ambrus, JMPR
 - CCPR Procedures — Jeronimas Maskeliunas, Codex
- 12:00 – 13:30 Lunch break
- 13:30 – 15:30 **Session C. National and Regional Data Review Procedures**
- EU MRL Procedures — Francesca Arena, European Commission
 - Japan MRL Procedures — Tsuyoshi Sakamoto, Yasuo Kitamura, Food and Agricultural Materials Inspection Center
 - U.S. MRL Procedures — Jeff Herndon, US Environmental Protection Agency
- 15:30 – 15:45 Closing of Training Session
Jerry Baron, IR-4 Executive Director
- 15:45 – 16:00 Coffee Break
- 16:00 – 17:45 **Session D. Detailed Q & A Workshop Between Trainers and Trainees**
Break-out Workshops
- Field Residue Trials — Robin Bellinder, IR-4 Field Research
 - Analytical Research — Pim Larsson-Kovach , IR-4 Analytical Laboratory
 - MRL Data Dossiers — Jay Vroom, CropLife America
 - Risk Assessment and MRL Recommendation — Raj Bhula, Australian Pesticide and Veterinary Medicine Authority

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