Through this Update the Pesticide Management Group wishes to inform you on new publications, reports and upcoming events deriving from its work. Any feedback that you may wish to provide on this issue and throughout 2011 as well is welcomed.

We look forward to continue the fruitful dialogue with all of you in order to strengthen the information exchange in support of the sound management of pesticides. Please send your comments, input, suggestions and any questions to Pesticide-
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Information Now Available On-Line-

1) Pesticide Management

Sixth Session of the FAO Panel of Experts on Pesticide Management and Fourth Session of the FAO/WHO Joint Meeting on Pesticide Management – Geneva, Switzerland-8 October 2010

The 4th FAO/WHO Joint Meeting on Pesticide Management (JMPM) and 6th Session of the FAO Panel of Experts on Pesticide Management took place at WHO Headquarters in Geneva, from 5 to 8 October 2010. This joint meeting, among other issues, addressed initiatives by international organizations and national governments to reduce the risks posed by highly hazardous pesticides as well as selected activities to strengthen pesticide management at the national level in developing countries. Furthermore, the JMPM discussed various draft guidelines that are being developed in support of implementation of the Code of Conduct, such as updated *Guidelines on good labelling practice for pesticides*, and outlines for updated *Guidelines on legislation of pesticides* and on *data requirements for the registration of pesticides*.

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<u>Report of the 4th FAO/WHO Meeting on Pesticide Management and 6th Session of the FAO Panel of Experts on Pesticide Management

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Guidelines in support of the International Code of Conduct on the Distribution and Use of Pesticides

FAO is publishing Guidelines in support of the Code of Conduct. Click <u>here</u> to access the FAO web site on Management of Pesticides. Click <u>here</u> to download the list of all the guidelines available in support of the Implementation of the Code of Conduct

Latest Guidelines published January – May 2011:

- Ø FAO/WHO Guidelines for quality control of pesticides (March 2011)
- Ø French and Spanish version of the following guidelines:
 - 1. Guidelines for the Registration of Pesticides [2010] French, Spanish
 - 2. Guidelines on developing a reporting system for health and environmental incidents resulting from exposure to pesticides [2010] French, Spanish
 - 3. Guidelines on Pesticide Advertising [2010] French, Spanish
 - 4. Guidance on Pest and Pesticide Management Policy Development [2010] **French, Spanish**
 - 5. Guidelines on management options for empty containers [2008] French, Spanish

WHO also publishes guidance documents in support of the Code of Conduct, in particular for the management of **public health pesticides.** These can be found at: http://www.who.int/whopes/en/

2) Pesticide Residues

The Joint Meeting of the FAO Panel of Experts on Pesticide Residues in Food and the Environment and the WHO Core Assessment Group on Pesticide Residues (JMPR)

The annual Joint Meeting of the FAO Panel of Experts on Pesticide Residues in Food and the Environment and the WHO Core Assessment Group on Pesticide Residues was held in Rome, Italy, from 21 to 30 September 2010. The FAO Panel of Experts had met in Preparatory Sessions from 16 to 20 September.

The Meeting evaluated 23 pesticides, of which 8 were new compounds, and 5 were reevaluated within the periodic review programme of the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR). The Meeting established acceptable daily intakes (ADIs) and acute reference doses (ARfDs).

The Meeting estimated maximum residue levels, which it recommended for use as maximum residue limits (MRLs) by the CCPR. It also estimated supervised trials median residue (STMR) and highest residue (HR) levels as a basis for estimation of the dietary intake of residues of the pesticides reviewed. Application of HR levels is explained in Chapter 7 (7.3.) of the FAO Manual on the submission and evaluation of pesticide residue data for the estimation of MRLs in food and feed (2009).

Click <u>here</u> to access the FAO Pesticide Residues in Food and the Environment web site.

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- Ø JMPR 2010 Report
- Ø JMPR 2010 Evaluations
- Ø JMPR 2011 (20-29 September 2011): List of substances scheduled for evaluation and request for data

43rd Codex Committee on Pesticide Residue, Beijing, China 4-9 April, 2011

The 43rd Session of the **Codex Committee on Pesticide Residue** (**CCPR**) was held in Beijing, China, from 4 to 9 April 2011. The Session was attended by 189 delegates representing 58 Member Countries, one Member organization and 9 International Organizations. About 400 MRLs were discussed and accepted with a few concerns. The meeting also discussed some important principle/policy issues related to the Codex MRLs, e.g JMPR capacity and resources issue, revision of the risk analysis principles applied by the CCPR, etc. The report of 43rd CCPR (REP11-PR) is available at the Codex Alimentarius web page.

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Ø 43rd CCPR report

3) Pesticide Specifications

10th FAO/WHO Joint Meeting on Pesticide Specifications

In cooperation with WHO, FAO will hold the 10th FAO/WHO JMPS in Beijing, China, from 8 to 13 June 2011.

In total, the JMPS will evaluated 18 pesticides, 8 by FAO, 5 by WHO and 5 FAO/WHO. Click *here* to access the FAO web site on the Joint Meeting on Pesticide Specifications.

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<u>Provisional Agenda CIPAC/FAO/WHO Open Meeting (55th CIPAC meeting and 10th JMPS meeting)</u>

Specifications

FAO is publishing specifications for pesticides and their related formulations based on the recommendations made at the Joint FAO/WHO Meeting on Pesticide Specifications (JMPS). Click *here* to access the FAO publications for Pesticides.

In order to improve the development of FAO specifications, the relevant government authorities are encouraged to provide their priority list of pesticides (in common name) for the establishment of FAO specifications to the FAO JMPS Secretary through email to Pesticide-Management@fao.org.

Latest specifications published January - May 2011:

- **O** Chlothianidin
- Ø Metsulfuron Methyl
- Ø Thifensulfuron-Methyl
- Ø <u>Triadimenol</u>
- Ø Tribenuron-Methyl

4) Upcoming events

- 10th FAO/WHO Joint Meeting on Pesticide Specifications, Beijing, China, 8-12 June 2011)

- Joint Meeting of the FAO Panel of Experts on Pesticide Residues in Food and the Environment and the WHO Core Assessment Group on Pesticide Residues (JMPR) – Geneva, Switzerland, 20-29 September 2011
- Fifth FAO/WHO Joint Meeting on Pesticide Management and Seventh Meeting of the FAO Panel of Experts on Pesticide Management, Rome, Italy, 11-14 October 2011.

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