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## ***JOINT FAO/WHO EXPERT COMMITTEE ON FOOD ADDITIVES (JECFA)***

### **FAO/WHO Roster of experts for JECFA for meetings addressing Exposure assessment of food chemicals**

***(2002 - 2006)***

#### **The Committee**

The Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA) is an international expert scientific committee that is administered jointly by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO). It has been meeting since 1956, initially to evaluate the safety of food additives. Its work now also includes the evaluation of contaminants, naturally occurring toxicants and residues of veterinary drugs in food.

JECFA normally meets twice a year with individual agendas covering either (i) food additives, contaminants and naturally occurring toxicants in food or (ii) residues of veterinary drugs in food. The membership of the meetings varies accordingly, with different sets of experts being called on depending on the subject matter of the meeting.

#### **Selection of experts**

Being a joint committee of FAO and WHO, the organizational framework of JECFA complies with the rules of both organizations. Both organizations establish listings of experts, called rosters; appointments are for a period of four years. Experts are selected from those rosters for each meeting, in which capacity they either attend the meeting as members or assist the Secretariat with preparatory work before the meeting and usually participate in the meeting itself.

FAO and WHO have complementary functions in selecting members for JECFA. FAO is responsible for selecting members to deal with the development of specifications for the identity and purity of food additives and the assessment of residue levels of veterinary drugs in food. WHO is responsible for selecting members to deal with the toxicological evaluations of the substances under consideration. Both FAO and WHO invite members who are responsible for assessing intake.

The selection of members is made only after a careful consideration of the scientific credentials of the various candidates, and a balance of scientific expertise and other experience is considered essential. The curricula vitae are reviewed on the basis of criteria defined in the *Call for Experts* by a selection panel which included at least one independent, internationally recognised expert appointed by FAO. The purpose of the panel review is to determine whether the applicants meet all the essential requirements. The selection process respects as well FAO and WHO policies on regional representation and gender balance.

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<b>Dr Janis Baines</b>	Australia New Zealand Food Authority, Canberra	Australia
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<b>Dr Junshi Chen</b>	Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention Beijing	China
<b>Dr Michael J. Dinovi</b>	Food and Drug Administration College Park, MD	United States of America
<b>Dr Maria Cecilia de Figueiredo Toledo</b>	Faculdade de Engenharia de Alimentos- UNICAMP Campinas SP.	Brazil
<b>Prof. Jana Hajšlová</b>	Institute of Chemical Technology Prague	Czech Republic
<b>Ms Tracy Hambridge</b>	Food Standards Australia New Zealand Canberra	Australia
<b>Dr Andrew David McAfee Hart</b>	Central Science Laboratory, Sand Hutton York	United Kingdom
<b>Dr Kelly A. Hislop</b>	Health Canada, Ottawa, Ontario	Canada
<b>Dr Hajimu Ishiwata</b>	Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Osaka	Japan
<b>Dr Marit Kristine Johansen de Campos</b>	Guatemala City	Guatemala
<b>Dr Jean-Charles Leblanc</b>	INRA/Scientific Directorate for Human Nutrition and Food Safety Paris	France
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