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The EU would like to thank Singapore and China for the submission of a proposal of new work for developing guidelines to carry out food safety assessments on cell culture media components used in the production of cell-based foods (CRD06).

The EU notes that this proposal follows extensive discussions in Codex, during which Codex Members and Observers recognised the importance of addressing challenges posed by New Food Sources and Production Systems (NFPS) and the important role Codex could play in this area.

The EU notes that the implementation of Codex standards depends on the capacity of Codex Members to incorporate these standards into their national frameworks. In this context, the EU suggests that Codex should prioritise work that supports the development of national regulatory frameworks on NFPS rather than work on standards related to specific products such as cell-based foods. The development of Risk Analysis Principles tailored to NFPS would support such objective. Risk Analysis Principles would include a definition of NFPS, Risk assessment, Risk management, and Risk communication considerations.

The EU proposes to lead work on the development of Codex Risk Analysis Principles on New Food Sources and Production Systems.