



Electronic Working Group Invitation (EWG Invitation)

This message is sent on behalf of the United Kingdom.

Title	Extrapolation of maximum residue limits of veterinary drugs to one or more species
Committee	Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods
Session	28 th
Chair of EWG	United Kingdom
Co-Chairs	Costa Rica and the United States of America
Working Languages	English and Spanish
Description of work	The EWG should: - to conduct a pilot on tetracyclines, ceftiofur, and ivermectin to test the proposed criteria for extrapolation of established Codex MRLs to values for “other edible offal”; - on a set of general conditions for extrapolation, to be used for the pilot, noting that two of those remained in square brackets for further discussion, considering the experience of the pilot exercise; - on the proposed exposure calculation approach underpinning the extrapolation to other edible offal (REP26/RVDF28, Appendix V, Section 1.2); - to establish an EWG open to all Members and Observers, chaired by the United Kingdom, and co-chaired by Costa Rica and the United States of America, working in English and Spanish, to: - conduct a pilot on tetracyclines, ceftiofur, and ivermectin to test the proposed criteria for extrapolation of established Codex MRLs to values for “other edible offals”. The pilot should consider the following: - What data types would be sufficient to reassure CCRVDF that the extrapolated values are likely to be adhered to when veterinary drug products are used in accordance with GVP; - Which species the extrapolations would be conducted upon, based on current uses of the compounds and the data available to the working group; - Approved routes of administration and formulations for the compounds; and - Whether acute exposures should be taken into account where ARfDs have been established for the compounds. - propose any further changes to the general conditions for extrapolation in the general conditions to extrapolate MRLs to edible offal tissues other than kidney and liver (REP26/RVDF28, Appendix V, Section 1.1 (a)-(f)) based on experiences gained in the pilot; - consider views on what to call the extrapolated values and their potential uses, on a case-by-case basis, taking into account the results of the pilot; - consider the need to develop guidance on how the extrapolated values may be used, if the working group recommends extrapolated values other than extrapolated MRLs; - consider, as appropriate, how this work affects ongoing efforts to harmonize MRLs for dual-use compounds with CCPR; and - consider any nominations for cross-species extrapolations that might be received under Part V of the priority list, using the established cross-species extrapolation criteria (see REP26/RVDF28, Appendix VIII).

Note: To assist the EWG in its endeavours, it is recommended that Codex Members submit available consumption data for edible offal to the [FAO GIFT](#) and [WHO Cifocoss](#) databases.

Timetable for work	The working paper should be submitted to the Codex Secretariat for distribution for comments and consideration by CCRVDF29 (2027) three months in advance of the plenary session.
Email for registration	codex@defra.gov.uk with a copy to s.fletcher@vmd.gov.uk including infocodex@meic.go.cr and ccrvdf-ussec@usda.gov
Registration deadline	31 May 2026
EWG online platform	Yes

Codex Members and Observers are invited to register their experts for this Electronic Working Group.

When there is more than one expert, each country or observer organization shall designate **one** as the official representative to participate in the EWG.

Applications should be sent through the Codex Contact Point (CCP) of the member or recognized observer organization in an email detailing:

- participant's name
- official title or position
- country or organization
- email address.

The EWG platform

Link: <http://forum.codex-alimentarius.net/index.php>

User-Group name: **CCRVDF29:Extrapolation 2026**

The platform will require members to login.

New participants to the platform should first register ([online guide](#), [video tutorial](#))

Those participants who have previously registered on the platform can request to join the user group directly.

The EWG chair will give participants access to the group online once they have verified their credentials, so please ensure that you follow the application procedure and email the chair through your CCP, even if you are already registered on the platform.

Programme and timeline

The work programme and timelines will be circulated to members of the EWG soon after its establishment.

We look forward to your participation.

Chair (United Kingdom) and Co-Chairs (Costa Rica and the United States of America) of the EWG

Codex Contact Points of the United Kingdom, Costa Rica, and the United States of America