

International Discussions of the IESTI and Implications for Global MRLs

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Overview of Talk



IESTI:
What is it?
Why it
matters?



Basics of
Dietary Risk
Assessment
and MRLs

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Current IESTI (mg/kg)} \\ & \frac{((LP \times (HR \text{ or } HR-P))}{bw} \\ & \text{or } HR-P) \times v + (LP - U) \times (HR} \\ & \frac{bw}{bw} \\ & \frac{((LP \times (HR \text{ or } HR-P) \times v))}{bw} \\ & \frac{(LP \times STM-R-P)}{bw} \end{aligned}$$

Current IESTI
and Proposed
Changes and
Impact



Benchmarking



Continued
Discussion



UESTI:

What is it? Why it matters?

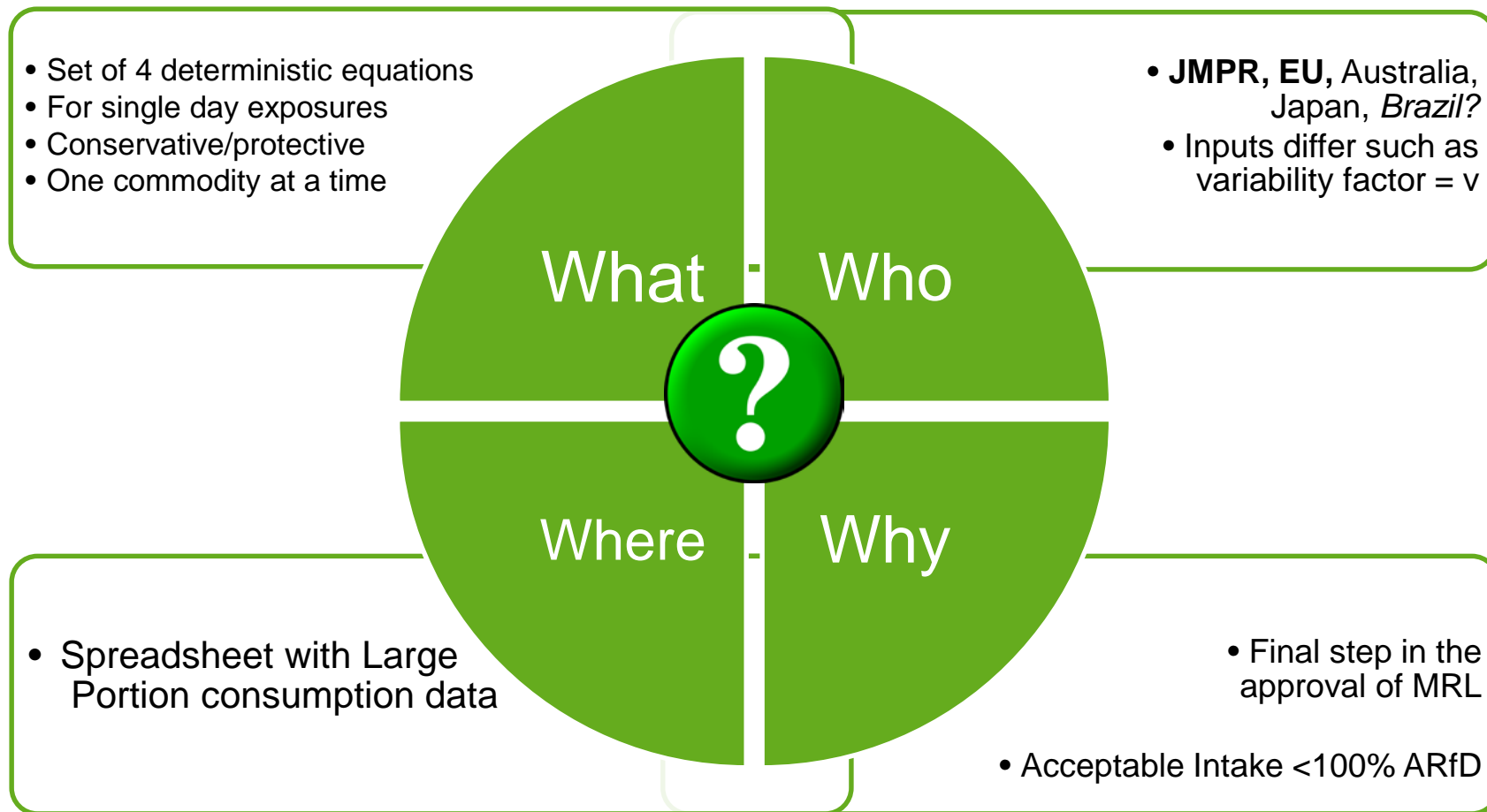
What is the Issue Around IESTI?

Many concerned that proposed change to the IESTI equation may **lead to a loss of CODEX MRLs** without international justification.

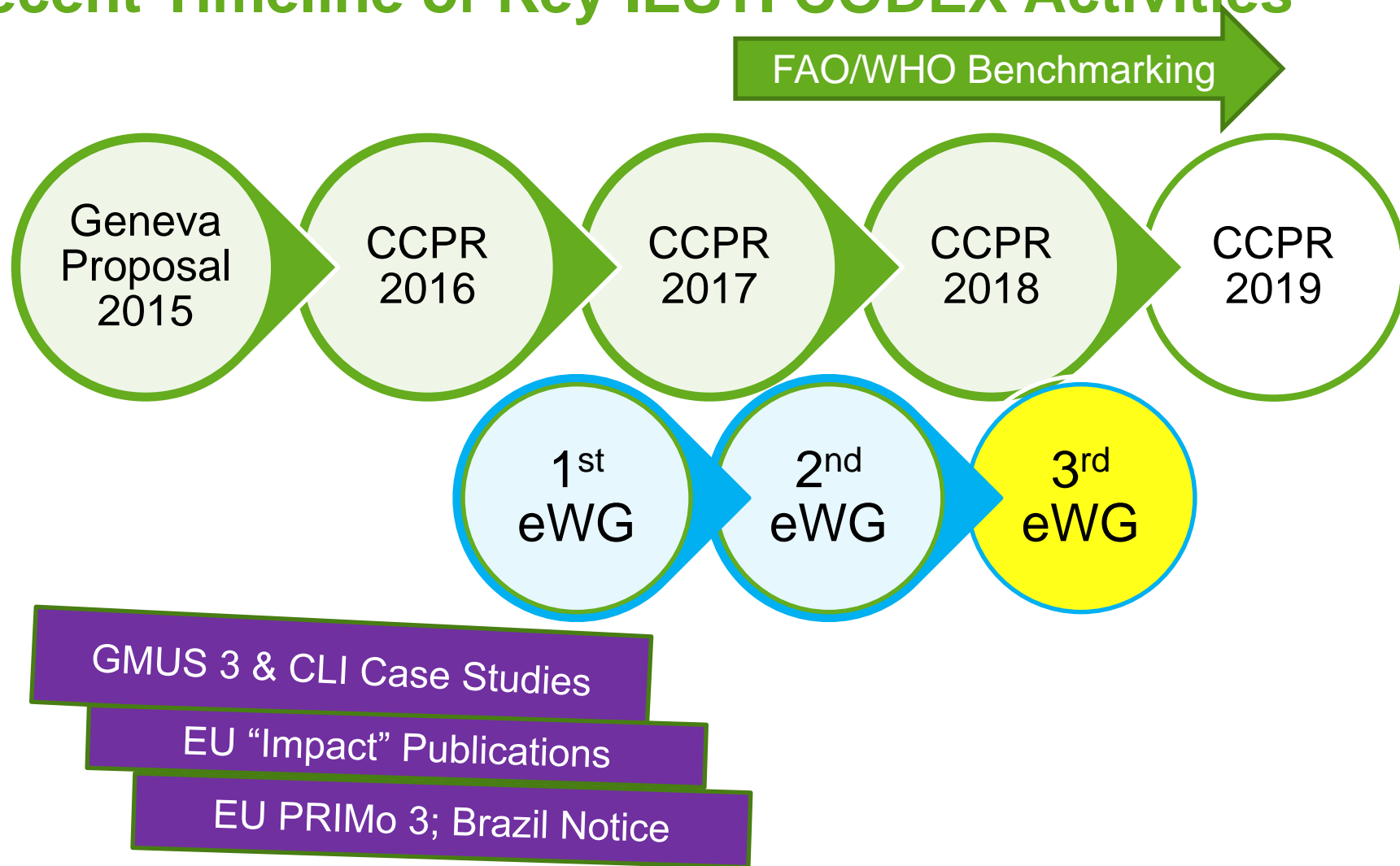
There is also concern the proposal leads to **inflated dietary estimates for all** commodities at international level.

There is confusion for many relative to EU versus CODEX versions of IESTI equations.

IESTI = International Estimated Short-Term Intake



Recent Timeline of Key IESTI CODEX Activities



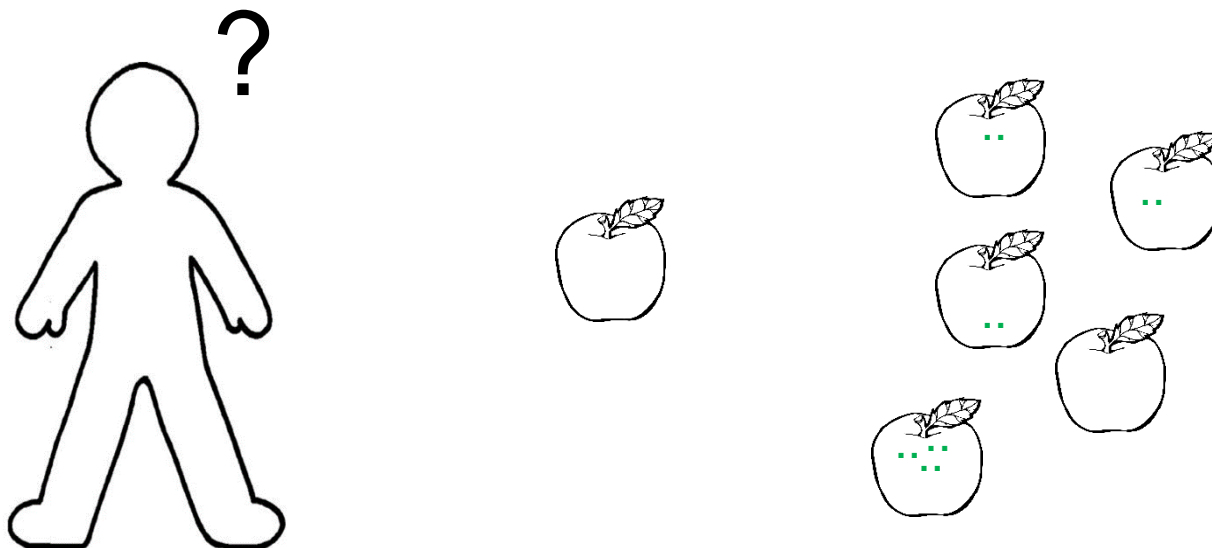


Basics of Dietary Risk Assessment and MRLs

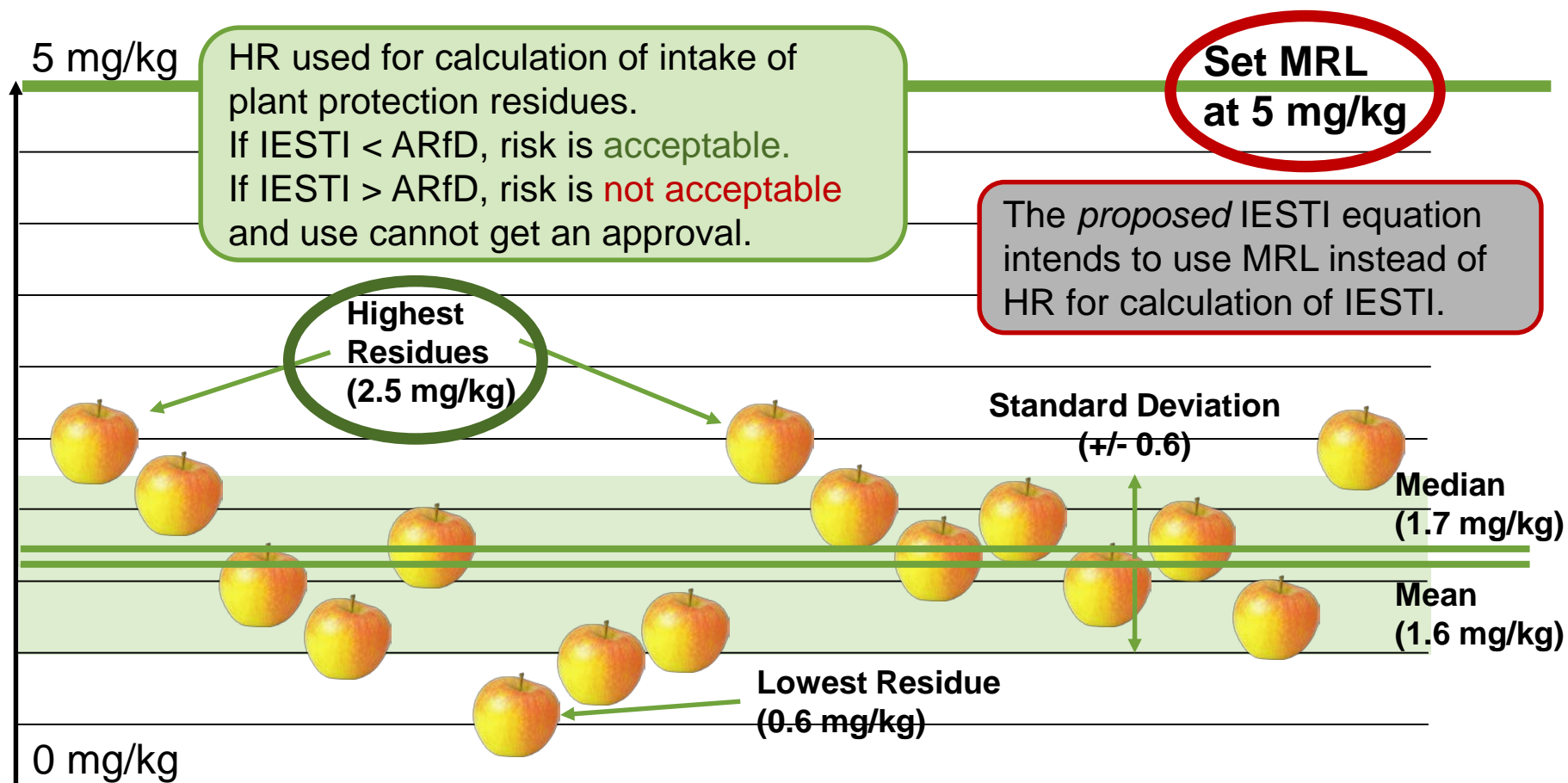
Generalized Dietary Risk Assessment

$$\text{Risk} = f(\text{Exposure}, \text{Hazard})$$

$$\text{Exposure} = \text{Consumption} \times \text{Residue in Food}$$



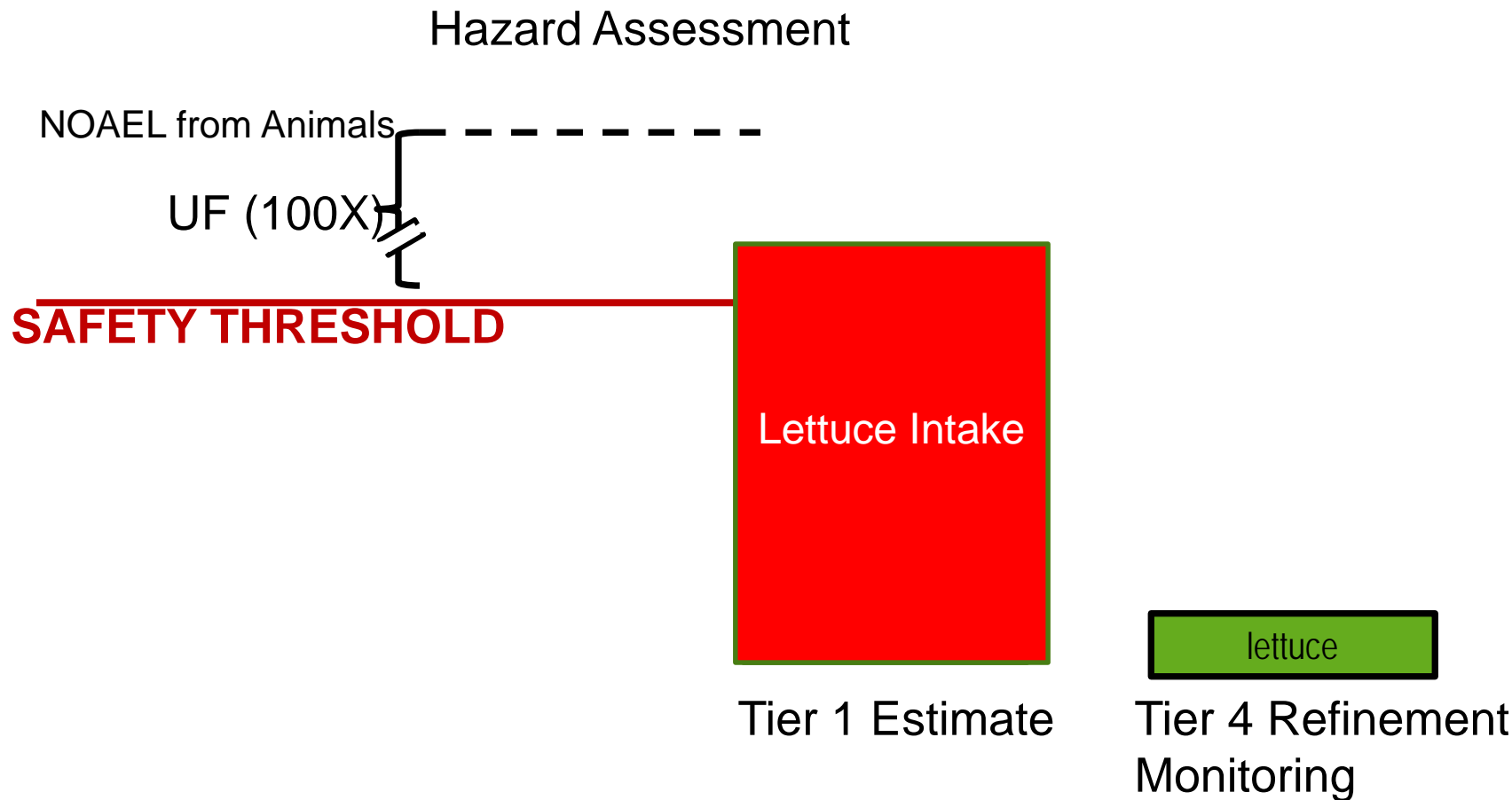
How is the value of an MRL set?



These residues are the result of regulatory supervised field trials, needed for a registration of an active substance in e.g. apples.

Trials are conducted at the maximum application rates, application numbers, shortest interval between applications and to harvest to leave highest possible residues.

Dietary Risk/Safety Assessments



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Current IESTI and Proposed Changes and Impact

IESTI Equations: Proposal from EFSA / WHO workshop, 2015

Dietary exposure = consumption X residues

Case	Current IESTI (mg/kg bw)	Proposed IESTI (mg/kg bw)
1	$\frac{(LP \times (HR \text{ or } HR-P))}{bw}$	$LP_{bw} \times MRL \times CF \times PF$
2a	$\frac{((Ue \times (HR \text{ or } HR-P)) \times v + (LP - Ue) \times (HR \text{ or } HR-P))}{bw}$	$LP_{bw} \times MRL \times v \times CF \times PF$
2b	$\frac{((LP \times (HR \text{ or } HR-P)) \times v)}{bw}$	$LP_{bw} \times MRL \times v \times CF \times PF$
3	$\frac{(LP \times STMR - P)}{bw}$	$LP_{bw} \times MRL \times CF \times PF$

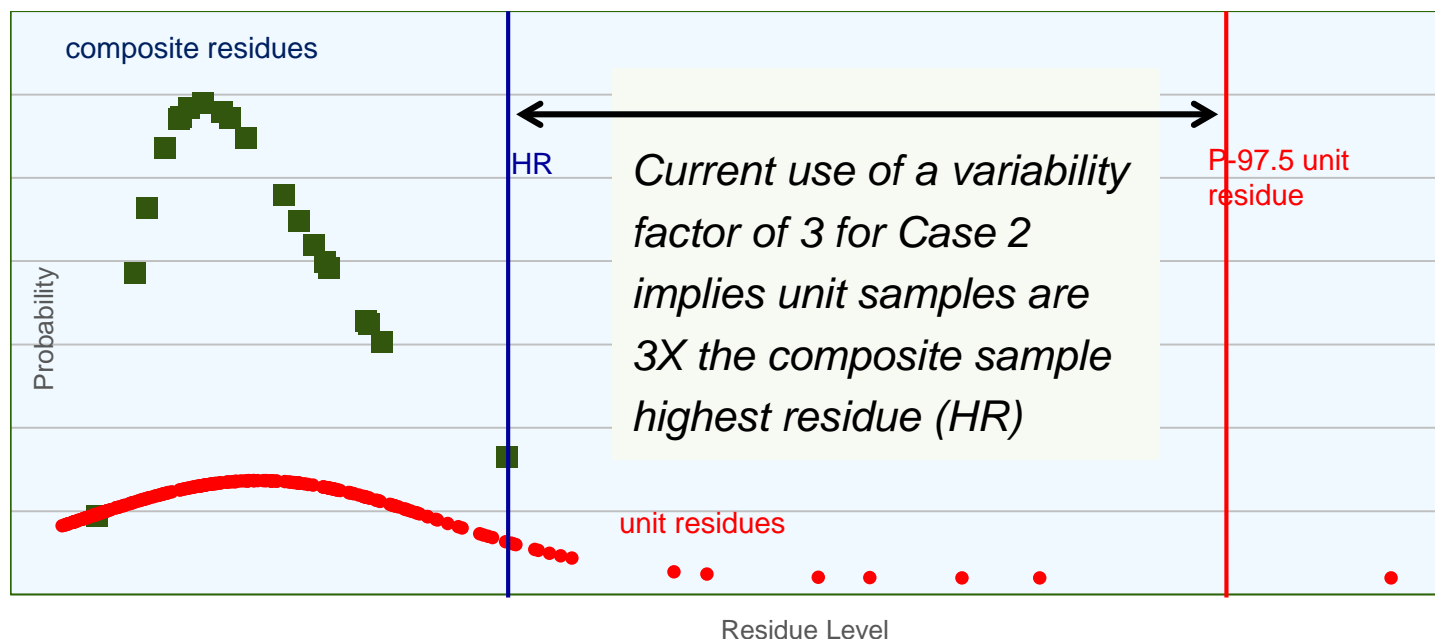
The proposal . . .

- Replaces all field data (HR and STMR) with MRL as exposure
- Keeps variability factor 3, but applies it to the MRL
- Removes unit weight from Case 2a
- Introduces new CF in order to use MRL
- Projects use of LP_{bw} data not yet available

The Variability Factor in CASE 2

The variability factor is an upper percentile estimate of the ratio between the pesticide residue in the unit samples and the residue in the composite samples

$$V = \frac{\text{97.5th percentile Unit Residue}}{\text{Composite Residue}}$$

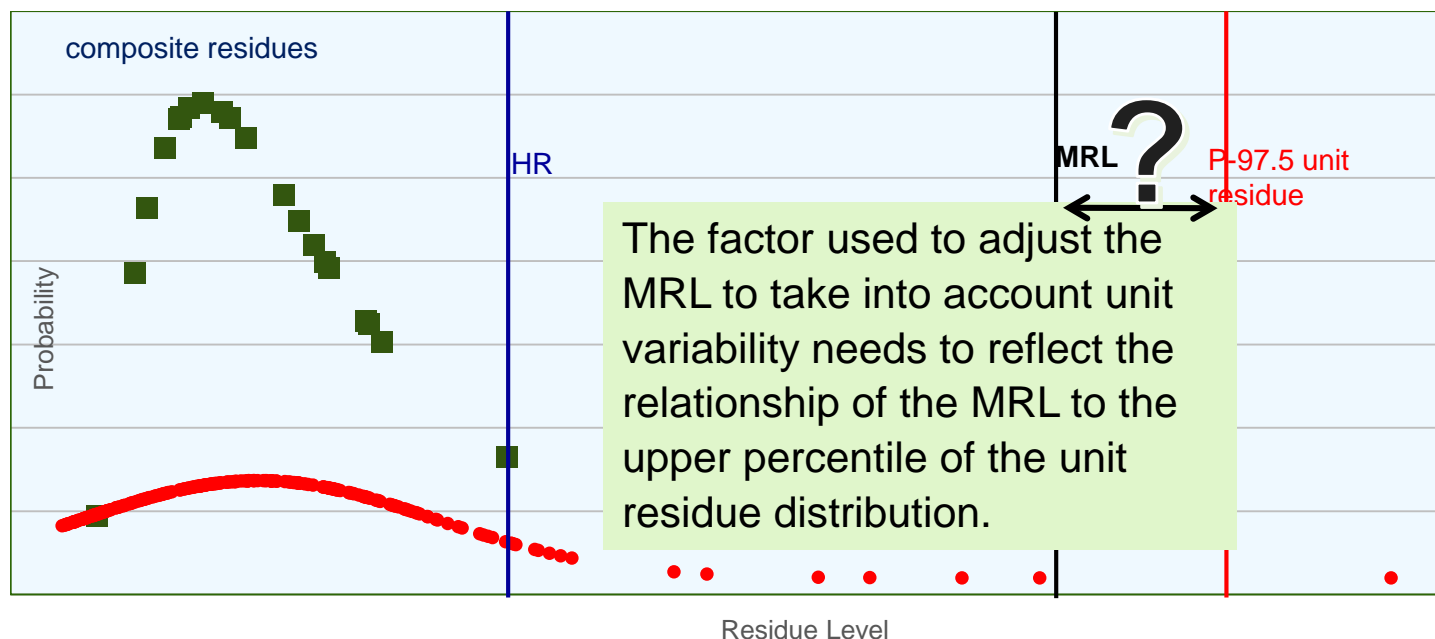


The Variability Factor in CASE 2

$$\text{Proposed Acute Exp (mg/kg-bw/day)} = \text{MRL} \times \mathbf{V} \times \text{LP}$$

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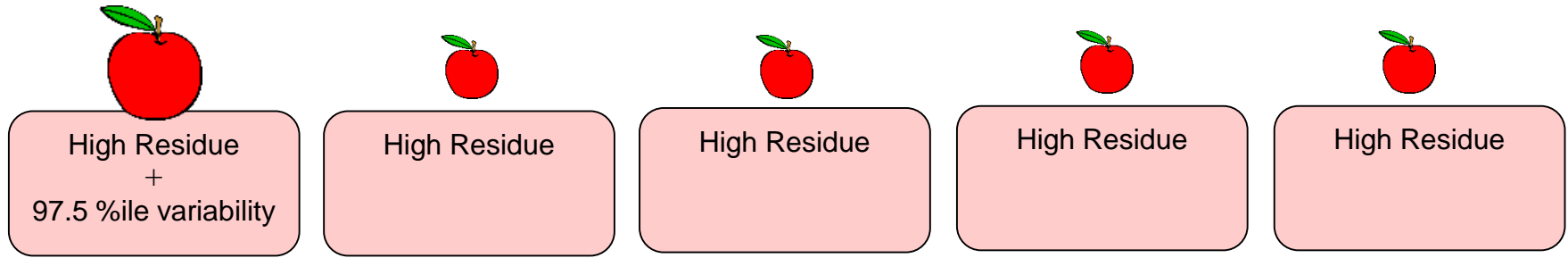
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The Variability Factor in CASE 2a

Current

LP for children age 1-6: 5 127g apples

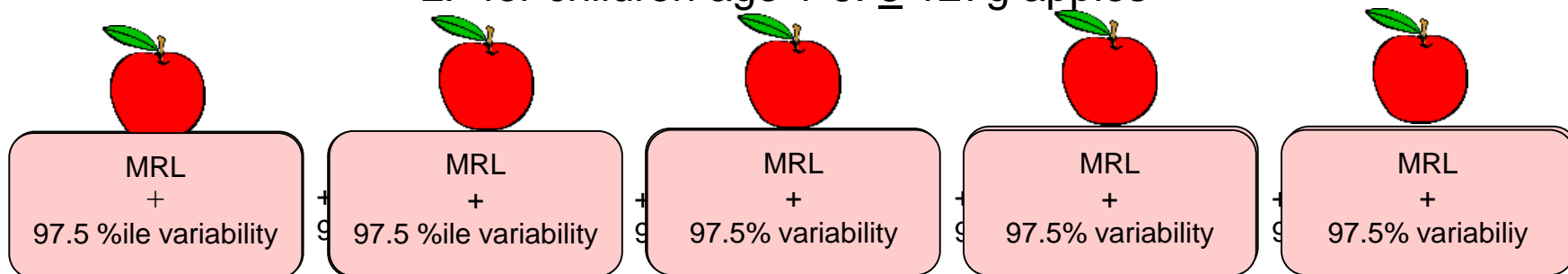


Smaller case 2a commodities like apricots, kiwi, fig, garlic, carrot, mandarin are even more affected by this compounded conservatism.

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➔ The variability factor is **SIGNIFICANTLY** over conservative for case 2a commodities





What is the Impact at JMPR?

All dietary estimates are increased and become more conservative.

Conservative risk assessments may exceed the ARfD more frequently and uses will be lost.

Several MRLs are at risk in the future.

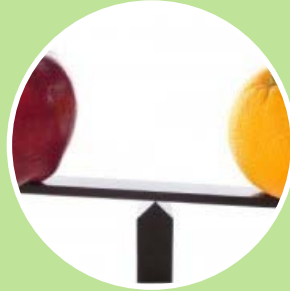
ECPA 2016 Preliminary impact - Revision of the IESTI equation

Case	Crops / commodities	Increase of Calculated exposure
1	 Meal portion < 0.025 kg <i>including meat, eggs</i>	1.7X
2a	 Meal portion > 0.025 kg $U_e < LP$ <i>Use of 3 x MRL for all food</i>	3.5X
2b	 $U_e > LP$	2.3X
3	 Bulked and blended	5.2X

Contrast of EU and CODEX versions of the IESTI equation

	CODEX	EU
Current Residue INPUTs for Dietary	HR, STMR, v= 1, 3	HR, STMR, v= 1, 3, 5, 7
Food Inspection Use	Not done	MRL with v= 1, 3, 5, 7
Proposed INPUTs	MRL ↑, v = 1, 3	MRL ↑ v= 1, 3 ↓
Resulting Impact of Proposal	Intake ↑	Intake ↑↓ = →
2018 Side Event Publications Impact Loss of MRLs	4% CODEX 12% Australia targeted	1.2% (crops & animal matrices)
<i>Alternate “Harmonization”</i>	HR, STMR, v= 1 3	HR, STMR, v= 1 3

Ball park **assuming 5% impact.** . .
 Total CXLs at group level = ~ 5900
 Extrapolated to individual CXLs ~34,000
 Adjusted for projections w/ARfD - **~1000 CXLs**



Benchmarking

Why Benchmarking?



General IESTI spreadsheets are valuable

- enable the adoption of many new Codex MRLs (CXL) each year



Probabilistic Models envisioned as a calibration

- aid for risk communication discussions,
- not replacement for routine assessments

AI Criteria for US Benchmarking

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**CODEX
MRL**

- apple
- pome

WHO | Inventory of evaluations of pesticides

who.int/pesticide-residues-jmpri-database

World Health Organization

Inventory of evaluations performed by the Joint Meeting on Pesticide Residues (JMPRI)

This inventory summarizes evaluations of pesticides that have been performed by the Joint FAO/WHO Meeting on Pesticide Residues (JMPRI). It does not include the maximum residue levels (MRLs) that have been recommended by JMPRI.

Maximum residue limits adopted by Codex Alimentarius Commission are available on: www.codexalimentarius.org/standards/pesticide.html/

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ARfD

- Children
- General population

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PDP

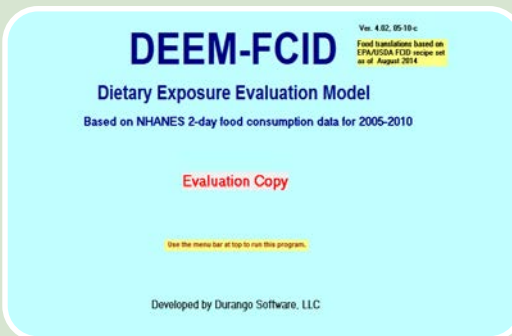
- 2014-15
- >5% detects

US Case Studies for Benchmarking



Deterministic

- IESTI
 1. Current HR
 2. Proposed MRL
- 97.5th consumption



Quasi-Probabilistic

1. MRL
- Consumption distribution



Probabilistic

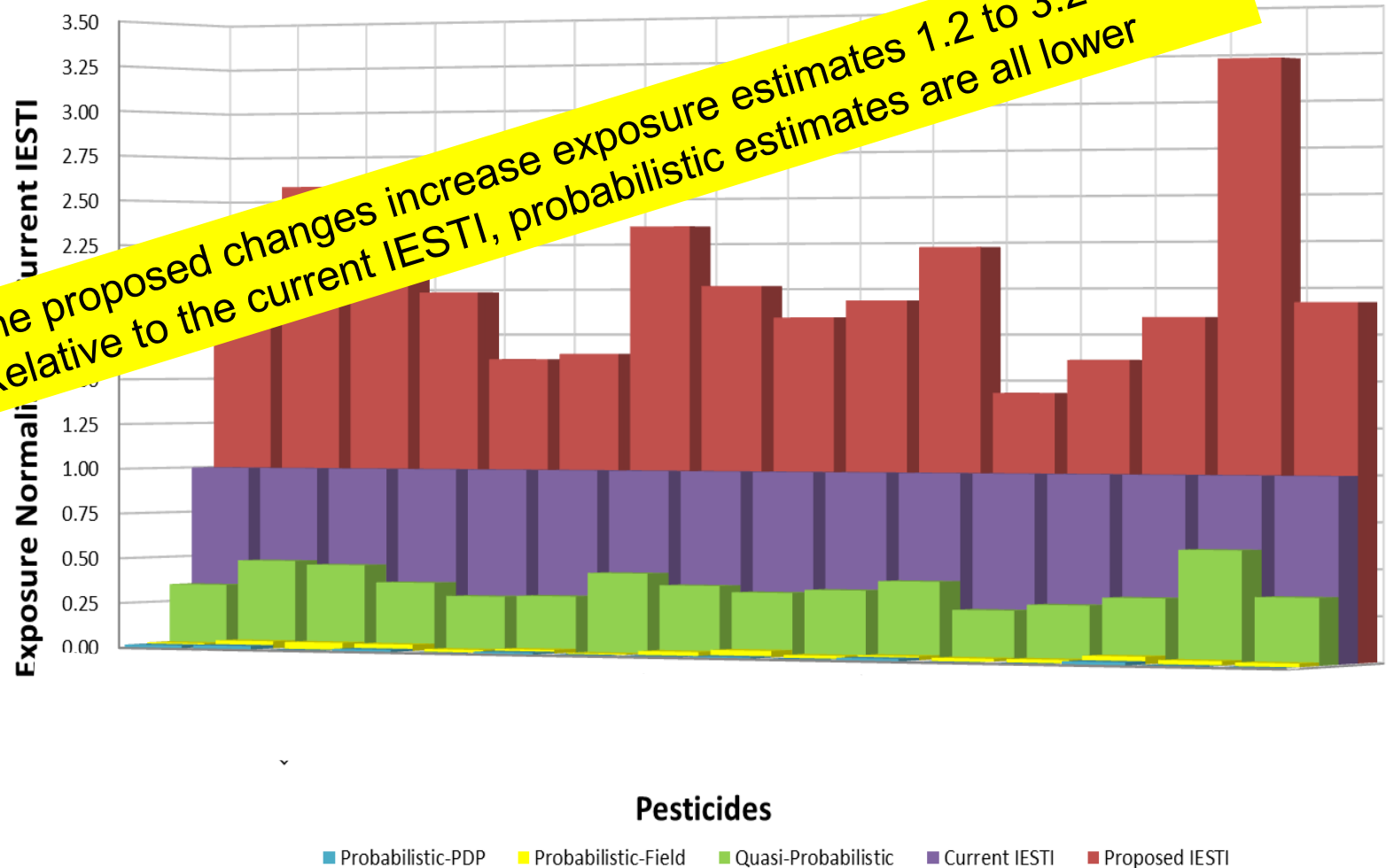
1. Field Distribution
2. Monitoring Distribution

US Apple Case Study: Intakes (ug/kg bw/day)

Active Ingredient	UESTI Deterministic	UESTI Deterministic	Quasi Probabilistic	Probabilistic	Probabilistic
	<i>Current</i>	<i>Proposed</i>	<i>Acute w/MRL</i> 97.5 th %ile User Only	<i>Field Trial Data</i> 95 th %ile Per Capita	<i>PDP Data</i> 99.9 th %ile Per Capita
A	33.4	60 (+ 1.8x)	13 (- 2.6x)	1.7 (- 20.2x)	1.3 (- 25.5x)
B	50.9	225 (+ 4.4x)	48.9 (- 1x)	4.5 (- 11.3x)	0.9 (- 54.4x)
C	5.66	15 (+ 2.7x)	3.3 (- 1.7x)	0.6 (- 8.7x)	0.2 (- 34.9x)
D	13.6	22.5 (+ 1.7x)	4.9 (- 2.8x)	0.4 (- 30.8x)	0.2 (- 69.7x)
E	13.0	37 (+ 2.8x)	8.1 (- 1.6x)	0.7 (- 18.2x)	0.2 (- 74.3x)
F	413	750 (+ 1.8x)	163 (- 2.5x)	26 (- 15.9x)	1.6 (- 256x)
G	16.4	37.5 (+ 2.3x)	8.2 (- 2x)	1 (- 16.6x)	0.6 (- 26.2x)
H	113	225 (+ 2x)	48.9 (- 2.3x)	14.8 (- 7.6x)	23.2 (- 4.9x)
J	21.5	52.5 (+ 2.4x)	11.4 (- 1.9x)	1 (- 20.6x)	0.2 (- 128.7x)

Comparison with Current UESTI Intake (Fold Increase+/Decrease-)

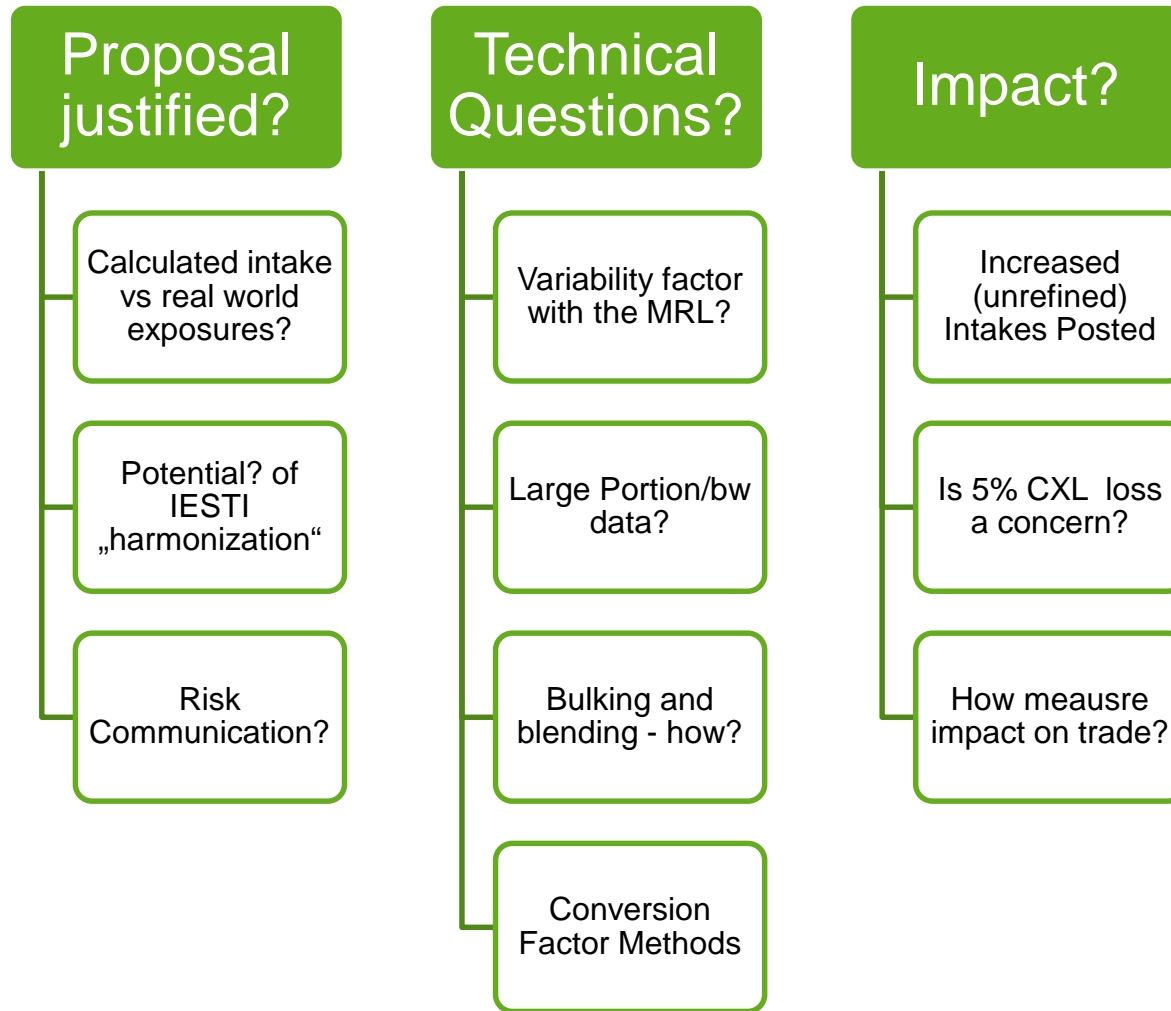
Tomato Case Study: Intakes (ug/kg bw/day)





Continued Discussion

Many Levels of Debate on IESTI Proposal . . .



Recent Timeline of Key IESTI CODEX Activities

FAO/WHO Report

Geneva
Proposed

The Committee agreed to:

- (a) Re-establish the EWG on IESTI, Chaired by the Netherlands, and co-Chaired Brazil and Uganda working in English, with the following mandate:
 - (i) To review and provide illustrative comments on advantages and challenges that arise from the current IESTI equations and their impact on risk management, risk communication, consumer protection goals and **trade**.
 - (ii) To gather relevant information on **bulking and blending**, in order to feed into the risk assessors work through the JMPR Secretariat.
 - (iii) On the basis of the above considerations develop a discussion paper providing recommendations for consideration at CCPR 51.

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3rd
eWG

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Benchmarking exercise reflects EPA tiered approaches for dietary risk assessment

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