



2024 MRL Harmonization Workshop

May 22-23, 2024
San Diego, CA
Agenda

May 22 (Wednesday)

Morning Session Moderator: Matt Lantz, Bryant Christie, Inc.

6:45 AM	Continental Breakfast	
8:00 AM	Welcome & Agenda Review	Matt Lantz, Bryant Christie, Inc.
8:10 AM	EU MRL and Trade Policy Ahead of European Elections	Kevin Bosc, Global Crop Protection Advocacy Leader, Corteva Agriscience
8:40 AM	EU Pesticide Policies – A Trade Perspective	Robert Ahern, Director for WTO Agricultural Affairs, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative
9:05 AM	The MRL Processes in the UK for GB and NI	Julian Cudmore, MRL Technical Lead and Consumer Exposure Specialist, Chemicals Regulation Division, HSE, United Kingdom
9:30 AM	EU Litigation Update	Edward Thomas, Deputy General Counsel, CropLife America
9:50 AM	Q&A Discussion	
10:05 AM	Break	
10:30 AM	Taiwan Positive List and Enforcement Taiwan	Tzu-Yi Wang, Associate Researcher, Food Safety Division, TFDA,
10:55 AM	MRL Establishment in Brazil - Regulation and Technical Criteria	Adriana Torres de Sousa, Manager, ANVISA, Brazil
11:20 AM	Mexican Regulatory Perspective in Pesticides	Luix Alberto Osorio, Executive Director, PROCCYT, Mexico
11:45 AM	Q&A Discussion	Moderator
12:00 PM	Group Lunch	

Afternoon Session Moderator: Cindy Smith, Gowan Co.

1:15 PM	Canadian MRL Update	TBD, Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada
1:45 PM	EPA Priorities and Updates	TBD, U.S. EPA
2:15 PM	Codex Update	Marie Maratos Bhat, International Issues Analyst, U.S. Codex Office, USDA
2:45 PM	Q&A Discussion	
3:00 PM	Break	
3:30 PM	FAS Update	Sabina Neumann, Senior Trade Advisor, USDA-FAS
3:55 PM	Panel: “Sustainability of Global Trade and Impact from MRL National Policies	Moderator: Matt Lantz, Vice President, Global Access, Bryant Christie, Inc. Panel: Rob Ahern Director for WTO Agricultural Affairs, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, Gord Kurbis, Senior Associate, T. Bjornson & Associates Consulting, Inc., Rebecca Bratter, Executive Director, U.S. Dry Bean Council, Greg Thoma, Director of Agricultural Modeling and Lifecycle Assessment, Colorado State University, Michelle Sharpe, MRL Strategist, North America, BASF
4:45 PM	Q&A Discussion	Moderator
5:00 PM	Wrap Up and Adjourn to Reception	Moderator



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6:45 AM	Continental Breakfast	
8:00 AM	Welcome & Agenda Review	Sabina Neumann, USDA-FAS
8:10 AM	The Endangered Species Act Workplan: Updates on Progress and Impacts on MRLs	Frank Wong, Industry Affairs Lead, Bayer Crop Science and Amelia Jackson-Gheissari, NA Trade Flow Lead, Bayer Crop Science
8:35 AM	Concerns and Impacts of MRLs on Processed Products	Nakia Smith, Director, Crop Protection, The Coca-Cola Company (Invited)
9:00 AM	IR-4 International Activities Report	Jerry Baron, Executive Director, IR-4 Project
9:25 AM	Minor Use Foundation Update	Anna Gore, Director of Operations, Minor Use Foundation
9:50 AM	Q&A Discussion	
10:05 AM	Break	
10:30 AM	MRL Concerns for Pistachio Nuts	Stephen Vasquez, Executive Director, California Pistachio Research Board
10:55 AM	Canadian Cereals: Growing Market Ready Crops	Krista Zuzak, Director, Crop Protection and Production, Cereals Canada
11:20 AM	MRL Research Update	Spencer Walse, Research Chemist, USDA-ARS
11:45 AM	Q&A Discussion	Moderator
12:00 PM	Wrap Up Discussion & Evaluations	Moderator
	End of Workshop	
12:30 PM	Understanding and Getting the Most Out of the EU Early Alert System (Concludes at 2 pm)	Sabina Neumann, USDA-FAS and Matt Lantz, Bryant Christie, Inc.