

Call for candidates wishing to train as new JMPR experts

WHO would like to expand the roster of experts available to take part in the Joint Meeting on Pesticide Residues (JMPR) expert panel.

An introduction to the work of JMPR, aimed at new experts, is to be organized as a workshop in Ottawa, Canada, 4–8 May 2020.

Experts interested in being selected to participate in this training are invited to send an application, including a curriculum vitae, to the WHO JMPR Secretariat before 31 December 2019.

If selected, applicants should be prepared to make themselves periodically available as WHO JMPR experts after successfully completing the training course.

The working language of JMPR is English. There are no interpretation services available at JMPR Meetings. However, editorial support is available to prepare monographs and reports for publication. For this reason, a good comprehension of spoken English and active use of written English is required.

Up to 10 applicants will be accepted for the introductory training. Air tickets and per diem during the training will be covered by WHO in accordance with the WHO travel policy.

The minimum requirements of applicants are:

- a university degree in a biological subject
- three or more years post-graduate experience as a toxicologist or human health risk assessor, either as an academic or as part of employment
- experience of evaluating a broad range of toxicology studies on chemicals, not necessarily related to pesticides, and summarizing the data
- understanding the key elements of human health risk assessments of chemicals
- a good standard of written and verbal communication using the English language
- interest in participating in the work of the JMPR as a WHO expert.

Interested candidates are requested to send an application to the WHO JMPR Secretariat enclosing a cv. In addition to the application letter and cv, interested candidates are requested, where possible, to give an indication of their employer's willingness to periodically make their expertise and time available to WHO. The application should be submitted by email no later than **31 December 2019** to jmpr@who.int for the attention of:

Mr Soren Madsen - WHO JMPR Secretariat

More information about the work of JMPR can be found at:

https://www.who.int/foodsafety/areas_work/chemical-risks/jmpr/en/

More information about the work of WHO in food safety can be found at:

https://www.who.int/foodsafety/en/

WHO's work on global health issues requires the assistance of external experts who may have interests related to their expertise. To ensure the highest integrity and public confidence in its activities, WHO requires that experts serving in an advisory role disclose any circumstances that could give rise to a potential conflict of interest related to the subject of the activity in which they will be involved. As part of the process to identify suitable new experts for the JMPR, applicants will be required to declare their interests.