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9th International Akademie Fresenius Conference

Worker, Operator, Bystander and Resident Exposure and Risk Assessment

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8 and 9 December 2026 in Dusseldorf/Germany

Highlights

Regulatory frameworks and Member State perspectives
- Member State experience in non-dietary exposure
- Northern Zone risk assessment challenges

Bystander and resident safety
- Post-market monitoring in France
- Large-scale exposure studies
- Drone vs. conventional applications

DFR, TC, DT50, and worker safety
- Advances in dislodgeable foliar residues (DFR) modelling
- Standardisation and regulatory aspects
- In-silico prediction and meta-analysis

Activities beyond Europe
- Brazilian exposure guidance and tools
- ProHuma modelling work

Operator safety
- Global risk assessment tools (ICPPE)
- New operator exposure models
- Handheld and precision applications

New technologies and exposure assessment methods
- Drift-reduction and testing
- Drone applications

Human factors and dermal exposure
- PPE behaviour
- Contact allergy relevance
- Default dermal absorption values

The Experts

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Tuesday, 8 December 2026

Timings are in Central European Time CET.

Morning Session | 09:50 – 12:50 CET

09:20 On-site registration & opening of the virtual meeting room
09:50 Welcoming speech by the organisers and the Chair

Alistair Morriss, Corteva Agriscience, UK

The presentation slots include sufficient time for questions and answers.

Regulatory frameworks & Member State perspectives

10:00 Swedish perspective: Challenges in health risk assessment of PPPs

Antero Silva, Swedish Chemicals Agency (KEMI), Sweden

10:35 EU Member State experience in non-dietary exposure assessment for pesticides

Agathi Charistou and **Valia Laskari,** Benaki Phytopathological Institute, Greece

11:10 Coffee break

DFR, TC, DT50 & worker safety

11:40 Update on dislodgeable foliar residues (DFR) and regulatory implications for plant protection products

- In silico prediction developments
- DFR meta-analysis results
- Methodology standardisation

Edward Chikwana, Corteva Agriscience, USA (virtually)

Bystander & resident safety

12:15 Post-market monitoring of plant protection products in France: Evidence for bystander and resident safety

- 10 years of phytopharmacovigilance
- Results from the PestiRiv study

Ohri Yamada, French Agency for Food, Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety (ANSES), France

12:50 Lunch break

Afternoon Session | 14:00 – 17:30 CET

International and European developments

14:00 Advancing non-dietary pesticide risk assessment in Brazil: Regulatory developments and implementation experiences

Adriana Torres de Sousa, Brazilian Health Regulatory Agency (ANVISA), Brazil

14:35 Development of guidelines on non-dietary exposure

- The Brazilian avaliAR calculator for estimating occupational and resident and bystander exposure
- Technical cooperation between ANVISA and the ProHuma Institute

Fabiana Cremaschi Palma, Instituto ProHuma de Estudos Cientificos, Brazil and **Andre Sarti,** Syngenta, Brazil

15:10 Coffee break

15:40 Further development of the EFSA guidance

Frédérique Istace, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), Italy (virtually)

Human factors & dermal exposure

16:15 Personal protective equipment: why we should wear it but often don't – a new behavioural approach to overcoming personal barriers

Olivier Sanvido, Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO), Switzerland

16:35 Contact allergy and pesticides: Still clinically relevant or only a historical problem?

Simon Schmid, Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO), Switzerland

16:55 Development of default dermal absorption values for a global operator exposure model

Neil Morgan, Syngenta, UK

17:30 End of the first conference day
18:30 Joint evening event



After a visit to Dusseldorf's Christmas market, you are warmly invited to join our evening event for a relaxed and enjoyable time. Unwind with seasonal specialties while continuing the day's engaging discussions in a festive and comfortable atmosphere.

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Wednesday, 9 December 2026

Timings are in
Central European Time CET.

Morning Session | 08:50 – 13:30 CET

08:50 Welcoming address and opening remarks by the Chair

Neil Morgan, Syngenta, UK

Operator safety

09:00 Developing a new global operator exposure model for handheld spray applications

Claudia Großkopf, German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR), Germany

09:35 Update on the ICPPE initiative and global operator risk assessment and mitigation tool

Anugrah Shaw, University of Maryland Eastern Shore, USA

10:10 EUPAF – considerations for non-dietary risk assessments for precision applications

- 2D and 3D crops
- Case studies and proposals

Edgars Felkers, Bayer Crop Science Division, Germany and European Precision Application Task Force (EUPAF)

10:45 Coffee break

New technologies & methods

11:15 From drift-reduction testing to exposure assessment: Advances in testing and regulatory use of drift-reducing technologies

Katrin Ahrens, Julius Kühn Institute (JKI) – Federal Research Centre for Cultivated Plants, Germany

11:35 Dermal absorption of dried residues

Felix M. Kluxen, BASF, Germany

11:55 UASS spraying operations – insights from the HSE drone operator survey

Katharine Childs, Health and Safety Executive Chemicals Regulation Division (HSE CRD), UK

12:15 Resident and bystander exposure following plant protection treatments with drones

Sebastian König, Federal Food Safety and Veterinary Office (FSVO), Switzerland

From science to practice

12:35 Italian situation

Giovanni Fabrizi, Italian Institute for Insurance against Accidents at Work (INAIL), Italy

12:55 Round-table discussion on technologies, methods and implementation

13:30 Lunch and end of the conference

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