

National Dose Assessment Working Group

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NDAWG Sub-group on the use of habit data in dose assessments and on the definition of the critical group

Draft terms of reference

The aim of this sub-group is to consider the use of habit data in assessing individual doses and in defining critical groups. The initial emphasis will be on retrospective assessments (doses from discharges and direct shine) but prospective assessments should be considered at a later date. In particular it will consider:

- Methods for obtaining integrated habit data around particular sites
- What is meant by 'locally produced food' – how plausible is it for certain foods to be produced and consumed by individuals
- Assumptions regarding where people are assumed to live and to obtain their food in dose assessments together with the combination of pathways
- Data analysis including the relationship between the sample population and the critical group
- The adequacy of data on occupancy, e.g. general beach occupancy and time spent indoors and outdoors
- The use of national survey data and site specific data, including how regularly they should be reviewed and updated
- Data for different age groups

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