

General

Dr Meera Cush

Bio

Dr Meera Cush is a qualified and experienced toxicologist who holds EUROTOX and UK Registered Toxicologist accreditation together with a Chartered Biologist status. She has a BSc (Hons) degree in Biochemistry (Imperial College, London), MSc in Toxicology and a PhD in Molecular Toxicology focusing on the initiation of carcinogenesis in the lung for chemical mixtures (both from University of Surrey). With over 20 years' experience in human health toxicological risk assessment and regulatory toxicology Meera has experience in risk assessment of chemicals found in food and food contact materials, industrial chemicals, biocides and of consumer products.

Having previously worked as a toxicologist for Health Protection Agency/Public Health England and several consultancies Dr Cush has collaborated and led diverse international teams initiating, designing and delivering on research and innovation projects. Her current role is as a Senior Managing Consultant in Regulatory Toxicology at Ramboll UK Limited where she leads the UK Health Sciences team. She has extensive experience in interpreting and advising on complex risk assessment scenarios for novel and innovative food and food ingredients, writing safety (toxicological) dossiers, devising responsible product development / product stewardship strategies, mitigating risk and communicating this to stakeholders. Meera's interests are in mechanistic toxicology with a regulatory focus.

Dr Cush is appointed to the Committee on Carcinogenicity of Chemicals in Food, Consumer Products and the Environment (COC), Advisory Committee on Novel Food and Processes (ACNFP) and sits on the REACH Independent Scientific Experts Pool for the Health and Safety Executive.

Dr Cush's appointment as a member of the COT expires on 28th February 2027.

Personal Interests

Category of Interest	Organisation / Body and Nature of Interest (period)
Employee	Ramboll UK Limited – place of employment.
Consultancies and other fee-paid work	Member of REACH Independent Scientific Expert Pool (HSE RISEP), COT (FSA), ACNFP (FSA).
Other personal interests	Member of COC (UKHSA)