Public Meeting: Exploring the Scope of Dietary Supplement Ingredients

Friday, March 27, 2026: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Human Foods Program
U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Wiley Auditorium
5001 Campus Drive
College Park, MD 20740

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AGENDA

8:00 AM	**Registration**
9:00 AM	**Welcome & Housekeeping/Logistics**
9:05 AM	**Opening Remarks**
	Kyle Diamantas, Deputy Commissioner for Human Foods, FDA
9:20 AM	**Session 1: The scope of the phrase "dietary substance for use by man to supplement the diet by increasing the total dietary intake" as used in DSHEA**
	This panel will discuss the meaning of the phrase "dietary substance for use by man to supplement the diet by increasing the total dietary intake" and how emerging ingredient types fit within the dietary supplement framework.
	Moderator: *Cara Welch, Director, Office of Dietary Supplement Programs, Human Foods Program, FDA* **Panelists:** **1.1** Jensen Jose, Regulatory Counsel, Center for Science in the Public Interest **1.2** Daniel Fabricant, Ph.D., CEO and President, Natural Products Association
10:00 AM	**Session 1: Q&A**
10:15 AM	**Break**

10:30 AM Session 2: New methodologies to produce existing dietary ingredients

This panel will discuss production technologies that are being applied to the science of dietary supplements, including synthesis, precision fermentation, cell culture technology, and recombinant production, and how these scientific and technical advancements intersect with dietary ingredient production to inform our assessment.

Moderator: *Phil Yeager, Director of Research and Evaluation, ODSP, HFP, FDA*

Panelists:
2.1 Weslee Glenn, Vice President of Innovation, Ayana Bio
2.2 Duffy MacKay, Senior Vice President of Dietary Supplements, Consumer Healthcare Products Association
2.3 John Deaton, Vice President of Science and Technology, Biohm Technologies
2.4 Tony Pavel, Partner, Keller and Heckman LLP
2.5 Frank Romanski, Global Vice President of Strategic Growth & Revenue Management, Lonza Capsules & Health Ingredients

11:30 AM Session 2: Q&A

11:45 AM Lunch

1:00 PM Session 3: Identity attributes for ingredient types such as proteins, enzymes, and microbials

This panel will explore questions related to determining the identity of notable supplement ingredients like proteins, enzymes, and microorganisms, which are not specifically listed in section 201(ff)(1) of the FD&C Act and the different attributes that are important for assessing identity.

Moderator: *Betsy Jean Yakes, Identity and Status Branch Chief, DRE, ODSP, HFP, FDA*

Panelists:
3.1 Elvira Gonzalez de Mejia, Professor, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
3.2 Linda Neckmar, Senior Vice President Human Health, Novonesis
3.3 Andrea Wong, Senior Vice President & Chief Science Officer, Council for Responsible Nutrition
3.4 Gregory Leyer, Founder, Biotic Solutions Consulting
3.5 Amy Smith, Sr. Director, Medical Affairs North America, Kerry ProActive Health

2:00 PM	**Session 3: Q&A**
2:15 PM	**Session 4: Open public comment**

Moderator: *Cara Welch, Director, ODSP, HFP, FDA*

FDA Panelists:
Shontell Wright, Chemist, ISB, DRE, ODSP, HFP, FDA
Betsy Jean Yakes, Identity and Status Branch Chief, DRE, ODSP, HFP, FDA
Phil Yeager, Director of Research and Evaluation, ODSP, HFP, FDA

3:00 PM	**Adjourn**