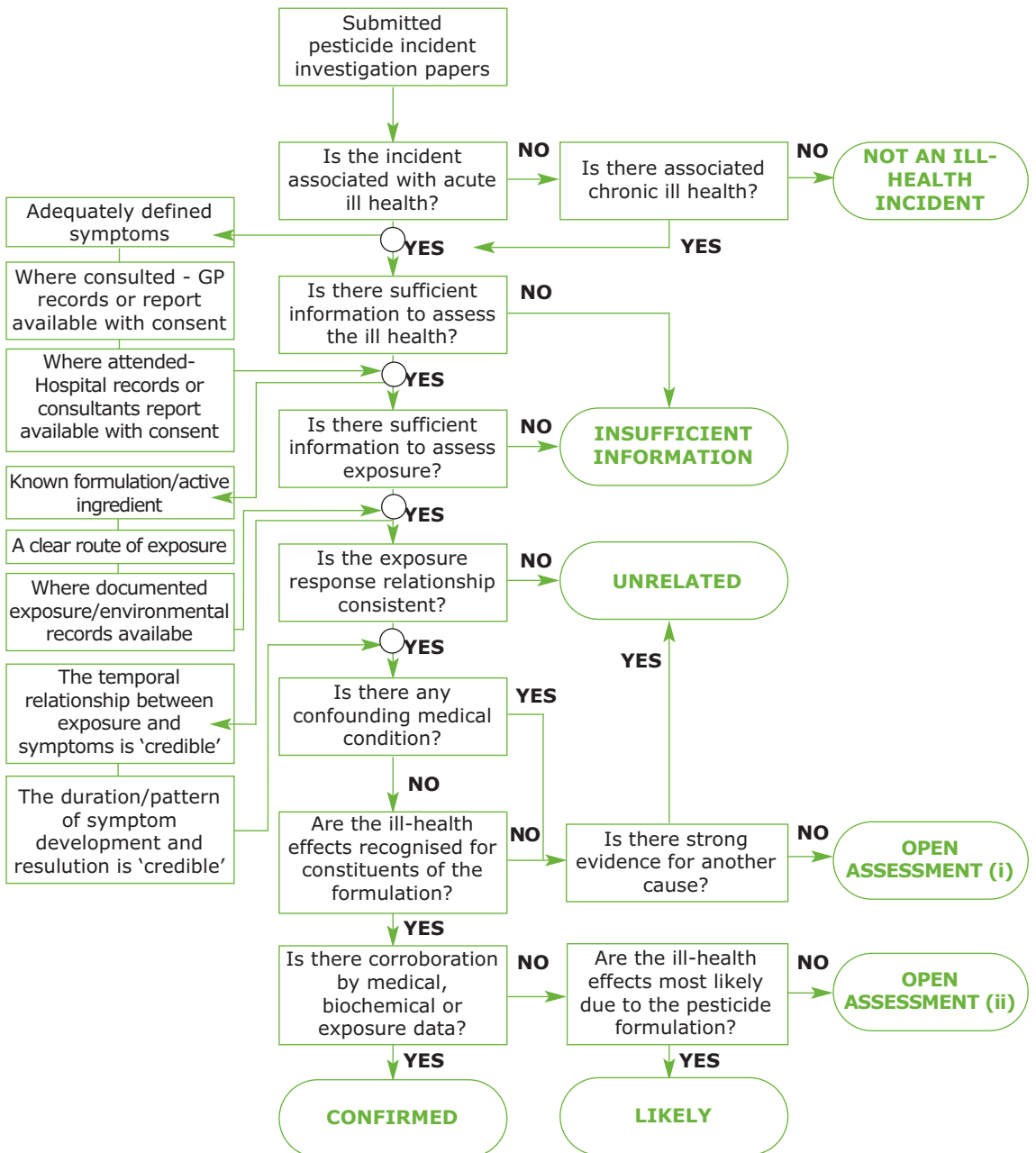




Appendix 2: Pesticide Incidents Appraisal Panel classification scheme

Confirmed	<p>There are clinical symptoms and signs typical of exposure to the cited pesticide formulation combined with either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ corroborating medical and (where appropriate) biochemical evidence; or■ evidence of overexposure.
Likely	<p>The balance of evidence based on reported exposure circumstances, clinical symptoms and signs or biochemical evidence (where appropriate) is consistent with ill health due to exposure to the cited pesticide formulation.</p>
Open assessment	<p>(i) The reported ill health is not consistent with the known potential ill-health effects of the cited pesticide formulation given the reported exposure circumstances but the implied association cannot be entirely discounted in the light of current knowledge; or</p> <p>(ii) the evidence is consistent with pesticide exposure being the cause of the reported ill health but alternative explanations, eg pre-existing disease are also present.</p>
Unrelated	<p>There is strong evidence, eg evidence about exposure or from medical reports, that the reported ill health is not pesticide-related.</p>
Insufficient information	<p>The available data is insufficient, incomplete or conflicting and the panel is unable to classify a case for one or more of these reasons.</p>

Appendix 3: Flow chart for PIAP assessments





Further reading

- 1 *LERAP: Horizontal boom sprayers - A step-by-step guide to reducing aquatic buffer zones in the arable sector* PB5621 Pesticides Safety Directorate 2001, available from DEFRA Publications, ADMAIL 6000, London SW1A 2XX Tel: 08459 335577
- 2 *LERAP: Broadcast air-assisted sprayers* PB6533 Pesticides Safety Directorate 2002, available from DEFRA Publications, ADMAIL 6000, London SW1A 2XX Tel: 08459 335577
- 3 *The Control of Pesticides Regulations* 1986 SI 1986/1510 ISBN 0 11 067510 X The Stationery Office 1986, available from The Publications Centre Tel: 0870 600 5522
- 4 *The Control of Pesticides (Amendment) Regulations 1997* SI 1997/188 ISBN 0 11 063695 3 The Stationery Office 1997, available from The Publications Centre Tel: 0870 600 5522
- 5 *Code of Practice for the safe use of pesticides on farms and holdings (the Green Code)* PB3528 DEFRA and HSC, available from DEFRA Publications, ADMAIL 6000, London SW1A 2XX Tel: 08459 335577 (currently being revised)
- 6 *The safe use of pesticides for non-agricultural purposes. Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 1994. Approved Code of Practice L9 (Second edition) (The HSC Blue Code)* HSE Books 1995 ISBN 0 7176 0542 6
- 7 The National Association of Agricultural Contractors (NAAC) and the Crop Protection Association's *Code of Practice for the use of approved pesticides in amenity and industrial areas (the industry Orange Code)* ISBN 1 871140 12 9, available from NAAC, Samuelson House, Paxton Road, Orton Centre, Peterborough PE2 5LT Tel: 01733 362920 (currently being revised)
- 8 *Code of best practice - Safe use of sulphuric acid as an agricultural desiccant* available from the National Association of Agricultural Contractors (NAAC), Samuelson House, Paxton Road, Orton Centre, Peterborough PE2 5LT Tel: 01733 362920
- 9 *Guidance on storing pesticides for farmers and other professional users* Agriculture Information Sheet AIS16 HSE Books 1996 (free)



10 *Reporting incidents of exposure to pesticides and veterinary medicines: What to do if you think people, animals or the environment have been harmed by exposure to pesticides or veterinary medicines* Leaflet INDG141(rev1) HSE Books 1999 (single copy free)

Information on approved pesticide products is available online at www.pesticides.gov.uk (agricultural pesticides) and www.hse.gov.uk (non-agricultural pesticides). The sites are continually updated so that the most up-to-date information is freely available.

The Green Code is currently being revised following a period of consultation. The revised Code will provide practical advice on the safe use of pesticides for all professional users in agriculture, horticulture, amenity situations and forestry. It will combine and update the relevant advice contained in the *Code of Practice for the safe use of pesticides on farms and holdings* (the Green Code), the *Code of Practice for the use of approved pesticides in amenity and industrial areas* (the industry Orange Code) and *The safe use of pesticides for non-agricultural purposes* (the HSC Blue Code).



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