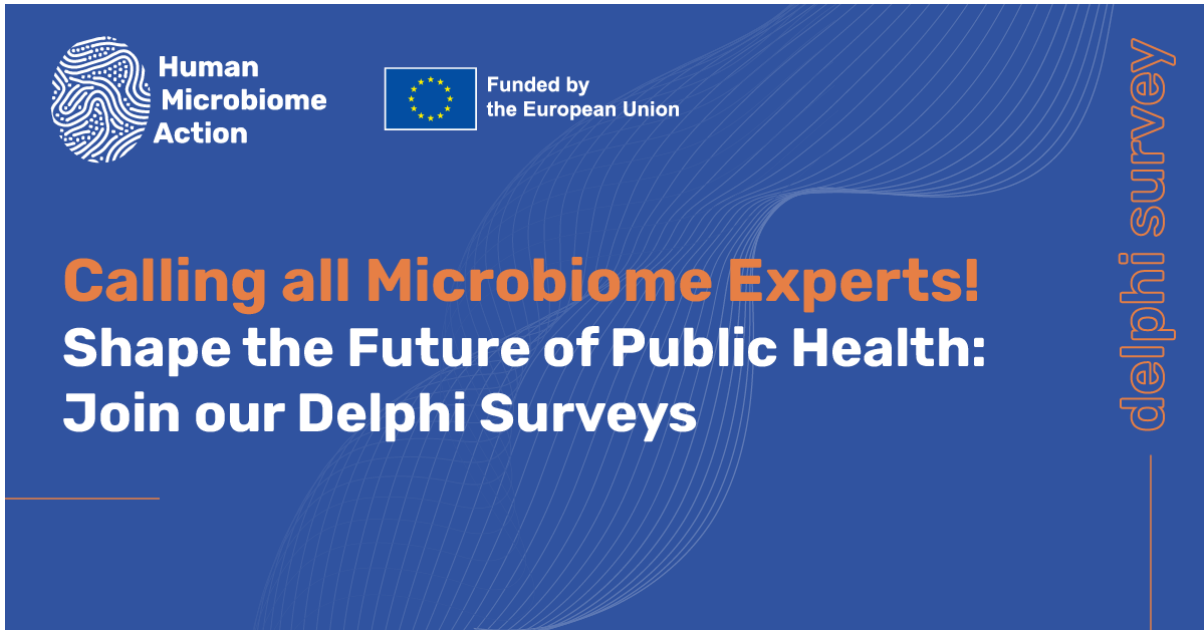


# Are you a microbiome expert? Help tackle the lack of consensus in the field!



The banner features a blue background with white and orange text. On the left, it includes the Human Microbiome Action logo and the European Union flag with the text 'Funded by the European Union'. The main text reads: 'Calling all Microbiome Experts! Shape the Future of Public Health: Join our Delphi Surveys'. On the right side, the words 'delphi survey' are written vertically in orange.

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Microbiome experts are invited to participate in Delphi surveys to **impact the trajectory of microbiome research and innovation**. Whether you're a seasoned researcher, clinician, or industry authority, your input can help **shape guidelines and recommendations that will guide the future of microbiome science** and contribute to guidelines, white papers, and strategic recommendations for the entire field. The different Delphi surveys are open for interested participants online between September and December 2023.

## Experts Invited to Drive Microbiome Science Forward

The Delphi surveys are one of the activities carried out within the Human Microbiome Action project, an EU-funded coordination and support action dedicated to microbiome research and innovation, is extending an invitation to experts across various fields to lend their insights and knowledge through a series of Delphi surveys.

Delphi surveys are a well-established research technique that engages experts in a structured process of iterative questionnaires. This method facilitates the experts in **reaching a consensus on complex topics and progressing collective knowledge**. As the survey unfolds, questionnaires evolve, and responses from experts are scrutinized to identify areas of agreement and divergence.

The Delphi surveys performed by the Human Microbiome Action project involve a two-round process, leveraging collective expertise. Through an anonymous and iterative approach, these surveys encourage candid responses, allowing the group to converge towards well-informed consensus or acknowledge a spectrum of potential outcomes.



"Your expertise matters! If you are working in microbiome-based biomarker development, clinical microbiome applications, preclinical models, faecal microbiota transplantation, or microbiome clinical studies, we urge you to shape the future of microbiome science by participating in our Delphi surveys," expressed, **Dr Joël Doré**, coordinator of the Human Microbiome Action project and Research Director at the French National Research Institute for Agriculture, Food and Environment, INRAE.

## Charting the Microbiome Terrain

A list of the ongoing and upcoming Delphi surveys is enclosed below. Experts are encouraged to state their interest by contacting the respective e-mail address. The current status of the Delphi surveys can be found under: [www.humanmicrobiomeaction.eu/human-microbiome-action-delphi-surveys](http://www.humanmicrobiomeaction.eu/human-microbiome-action-delphi-surveys)

Delphi Survey	Status	Target Audience	Contact E-Mail
<b>1: Microbiome-based Biomarkers</b>	Closed	Experts in biomarker discovery and qualification	DELPHI@pharmabiotic.org
<b>2: Microbiome for Medical Doctors</b>	Opening in September 2023	Clinicians and medical microbiotherapy stakeholders	joel.dore@inrae.fr; CC: zahra.hassani@kpl-paris.com
<b>3: Preclinical Models</b>	Round 1: Closed Round 2: Opening in September 2023	Researchers with expertise in preclinical models	DELPHI.preclinical.models@kpl-paris.com
<b>4: Faecal Microbiota Transplantation</b>	Round 1: Closed Round 2: Opening in September 2023	Medical professionals and experts in FMT	DELPHI.FMT.outcomes@kpl-paris.com
<b>5: Microbiome Clinical Studies</b>	Round 1: Open until 15/09/2023 Round 2: Opening in October/ November 2023	Clinicians, regulatory bodies, industry experts	DELPHI.microbiome.metadata@kpl-paris.com

Participation in the surveys offers an exceptional chance to drive consensus and innovation in microbiome research. The surveys have the potential to foster collaboration and gather expert perspectives on critical aspects of microbiome science, ultimately steering the field toward new horizons of understanding and application.

For further insights about the Human Microbiome Action project and the ongoing Delphi surveys, kindly explore the [project's website](#) or subscribe to the [project's newsletter](#).

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## About Human Microbiome Action

The Human Microbiome Action project (Grant Agreement No 964590) is an EU-funded Horizon 2020 initiative focused on amplifying the impact of European microbiome research and innovation in tackling chronic diseases. Spearheaded by Joël Doré from the French National Research Institute for Agriculture, Food and the Environment (INRAE), the project aims to harmonize and guide microbiome research, contributing to a healthcare system that integrates the human microbiome. Through guidance documents, recommendations, and collaborative efforts, the project envisions reshaping the future of microbiome science.

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