**Table 1**. High and Low-molecular weight occupational agents that may induce allergic rhinitis (adapted from EAACI Task Force on Occupational Rhinitis Position Paper)8

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| **Agents** | **Occupation** |
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| *High molecular weight agents* |  |
| Laboratory animals | Laboratory workers |
| Animal-derived allergens  | Swine confinement workers |
| Insects and mites | Laboratory workers, farm workers |
| Grain dust | Grain elevators |
| Flour | Bakers |
| Latex | Hospital workers, textile factory workers |
| Other plant allergens  | Tobacco, carpet, hot pepper, tea, coffee, cocoa, dried fruit and saffron workers  |
| Biological enzymes | Pharmaceutical and detergent industries workers |
| Fish and seafood proteins | Trout, prawn, shrimp, crab and clam workers; aquarists and fish-food factory workers |
| *Low molecular weight agents* |  |
| Diisocyanates | Painters, urethane mould workers |
| Anhydrides | Epoxy resin production, chemical workers, electric condenser workers |
| Wood dust | Carpentry and furniture making workers |
| Metals (platinum) | Platinum refinery workers |
| Chemicals | Reactive dye, synthetic fiber, cotton, persulphate, hairdressing, pulp and paper, shoe manufacturing workers |