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**Benzenepropanoic acid, 3,5-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-4-hydroxy-, C₁₃₋₁₅-branched and
linear alkyl esters**

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SUMMARY

The following details will be published in the NICNAS *Chemical Gazette*:

| ASSESSMENT REFERENCE | APPLICANT(S) | CHEMICAL OR TRADE NAME | HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL | INTRODUCTION VOLUME | USE |
|----------------------|-----------------------|--|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| STD/1675 | DIC Australia Pty Ltd | Benzenepropanoic acid, 3,5-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-4-hydroxy-, C ₁₃₋₁₅ -branched and linear alkyl esters | No | ≤ 20 tonnes per annum | Component of industrial printing ink |

CONCLUSIONS AND REGULATORY OBLIGATIONS

Hazard Classification

Based on the available information, the notified chemical is not classified according to the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS)*, as adopted for industrial chemicals in Australia.

Human Health Risk Assessment

Under the conditions of the occupational settings described, the notified chemical is not considered to pose an unreasonable risk to the health of workers.

When used as a component of industrial printing ink at a maximum concentration of 5%, the notified chemical is not considered to pose an unreasonable risk to public health.

Environmental Risk Assessment

Based on the low hazard and reported use pattern, the notified chemical is not considered to pose an unreasonable risk to the environment.

Recommendations

CONTROL MEASURES

Occupational Health and Safety

- A copy of the SDS should be easily accessible to employees.
- If products and mixtures containing the notified chemical are classified as hazardous to health in accordance with the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS)* as adopted for industrial chemicals in Australia, workplace practices and control procedures consistent with provisions of State and Territory hazardous substances legislation should be in operation.

Emergency procedures

- Spills or accidental release of the notified chemical should be handled by physical containment, collection and subsequent safe disposal

Disposal

- Where reuse or recycling are not appropriate, dispose of the notified chemical in an environmentally sound manner in accordance with relevant Commonwealth, state, territory and local government legislation.

Regulatory Obligations

Secondary Notification

This risk assessment is based on the information available at the time of notification. The Director may call for the reassessment of the chemical under secondary notification provisions based on changes in certain circumstances. Under Section 64 of the *Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Act (1989)* the notifier, as well as any other importer or manufacturer of the notified chemical, have post-assessment regulatory obligations to notify NICNAS when any of these circumstances change. These obligations apply even when the notified chemical is listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

Therefore, the Director of NICNAS must be notified in writing within 28 days by the notifier, other importer or manufacturer:

- (1) Under Section 64(2) of the Act; if
 - the function or use of the chemical has changed from a component of industrial printing ink, or is likely to change significantly;
 - the amount of chemical being introduced has increased, or is likely to increase, significantly;
 - the chemical has begun to be manufactured in Australia;
 - additional information has become available to the person as to an adverse effect of the chemical on occupational health and safety, public health, or the environment.

The Director will then decide whether a reassessment (i.e. a secondary notification and assessment) is required.

Safety Data Sheet

The SDS of the notified chemical provided by the notifier was reviewed by NICNAS. The accuracy of the information on the SDS remains the responsibility of the applicant.

ASSESSMENT DETAILS

1. APPLICANT AND NOTIFICATION DETAILS

APPLICANT

DIC Australia Pty Ltd (ABN: 12 000 079 0550)
42 Sunmore Close
HEATHERTON VIC 3202

NOTIFICATION CATEGORY

Standard: Chemical other than polymer (more than 1 tonne per year)

EXEMPT INFORMATION (SECTION 75 OF THE ACT)

No details are exempt from publication.

VARIATION OF DATA REQUIREMENTS (SECTION 24 OF THE ACT)

Schedule data requirements are not varied.

PREVIOUS NOTIFICATION IN AUSTRALIA BY APPLICANT(S)

None

NOTIFICATION IN OTHER COUNTRIES

Europe (2008)

2. IDENTITY OF CHEMICAL

MARKETING NAME(S)

ANOX® 1315

CAS NUMBER

171090-93-0

CHEMICAL NAME

Benzenepropanoic acid, 3,5-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-4-hydroxy-, C₁₃₋₁₅-branched and linear alkyl esters

OTHER NAMES

A mixture of: esters of C₁₄-C₁₅ branched alcohols with 3,5-di-t-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl propionic acid, C₁₅ branched and linear alkyl 3,5-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-4-hydroxybenzenepropanoate, C₁₃ branched and linear alkyl 3,5-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-4-hydroxybenzenepropanoate

Benzene propanoic acid, 3,5-bis (1,1-dimethyl ethyl) 4-hydroxy, isomeric mixture of tetradecyl and pentadecyl esters

3,5-Bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-4-hydroxybenzenepropanoic acid, branched and linear alkyl(C_{13 15}) esters

C₁₃ branched and linear alkyl 3,5-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-4-hydroxybenzenepropanoate

C₁₅ branched and linear alkyl 3,5-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-4-hydroxybenzenepropanoate

Reaction mass of: esters of C₁₄-C₁₅ branched alcohols with 3,5-di-t-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl propionic acid

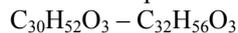
Reaction mass of: esters of C₁₄-C₁₅ branched alcohols with 3,5-di-t-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl propionic acid|C₁₅ branched and linear alkyl 3,5-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-4-hydroxybenzenepropanoate|C₁₃ branched and linear alkyl 3,5-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-4-hydroxybenzenepropanoate

MOLECULAR FORMULA

Unspecified

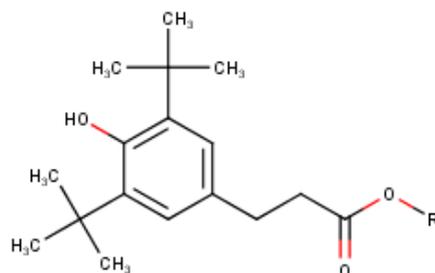
The notified chemical is a substance of Unknown, of Variable Composition, or of Biological Origin (UVCB)

The notifier provided the following:



STRUCTURAL FORMULA

Representative structural formulae were provided by the notifier.



Where R = C₁₃₋₁₅ branched and linear alkyl chains

The tetradecyl (C₁₄) and pentadecyl (C₁₅) ester derivatives are the main components of the notified chemical. The typical alkyl chain length distribution is listed below.

| <i>R-group chain length</i> | <i>Weight %</i> |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Dodecyl (C ₁₂) | ≤ 1 |
| Tridecyl (C ₁₃) | 1 – 5 |
| Tetradecyl (C ₁₄) | 50 – 60 |
| Pentadecyl (C ₁₅) | 35 – 45 |
| Hexadecyl (C ₁₆) | ≤ 0.2 |

MOLECULAR WEIGHT

460.74 – 488.79 g/mol

ANALYTICAL DATA

Reference NMR, IR, GCMS, UV spectra were provided.

3. COMPOSITION

DEGREE OF PURITY

97.3%

HAZARDOUS IMPURITIES

Chemical Name Benzenepropanoic acid, 3,5-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-4-hydroxy-, methyl ester
CAS No. 6386-38-5 *Weight %* 2.66
Hazardous Properties Not listed on HCIS. Notifier supplied the following:
 H411 (Toxic to aquatic life with long-lasting effects)

Chemical Name Alcohols, C₁₄₋₁₆
CAS No. 68333-80-2 *Weight %* < 1
Hazardous Properties Not listed on HCIS. ECHA website lists the following:
 H400 (Very toxic to aquatic life)

NON HAZARDOUS IMPURITIES (> 1% BY WEIGHT)

None

ADDITIVES/ADJUVANTS

None

4. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

APPEARANCE AT 20 °C AND 101.3 kPa: Yellow viscous liquid

| <i>Property</i> | <i>Value</i> | <i>Data Source/Justification</i> |
|---|---|--|
| Glass Transition Temperature | -56.3 °C | Measured |
| Boiling Point | 220 – 245 °C at 6.7×10^{-2} kPa | Measured |
| Density | 939 kg/m ³ at 20 °C | Measured |
| Vapour Pressure | 0.166 kPa at 20 °C | Measured |
| Water Solubility | 0.33 mg/L at 25 °C | Measured |
| Fat solubility | 79.35% | Measured |
| Hydrolysis as a Function of pH | Not determined | Contains hydrolysable ester functionality but is not expected to hydrolyse due to low water solubility |
| Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water) | $\log P_{ow} = 3.56$ at 25 °C | Measured; unlikely to bioaccumulate |
| Surface tension | 62.05 mN/m at 20 °C (at concentration of 0.29 mg/L) | Measured |
| Adsorption/Desorption | $\log K_{oc} = > 5.0$ at 20 °C | Measured |
| Dissociation Constant | Not determined | Contains phenolic functionalities, which can dissociate in the environmentally relevant pH range (4 – 9) |
| Flash Point | 229 ± 1 °C | Measured |
| Flammability | Not determined | Not expected to be a flammable liquid based on the flash point |
| Autoignition Temperature | 338 ± 2 °C | Measured |
| Thermal sensitivity | No explosion observed | Measured |
| Shock sensitivity | No explosion observed | Measured |
| Oxidising Properties | Not determined | Contains no functional groups that would imply oxidative properties |

DISCUSSION OF PROPERTIES

For full details of tests on physical and chemical properties, refer to Appendix A.

Reactivity

The notified chemical is expected to be stable under normal conditions of use.

Physical Hazard Classification

Based on the submitted physico-chemical data depicted in the above table, the notified chemical is not recommended for hazard classification according to the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS)*, as adopted for industrial chemicals in Australia.

5. INTRODUCTION AND USE INFORMATION

MODE OF INTRODUCTION OF NOTIFIED CHEMICAL (100%) OVER NEXT 5 YEARS

The notified chemical will not be manufactured in Australia. It will be imported as a component of finished industrial ink products (at concentrations of $\leq 5\%$) and local repackaging is not expected. Neat form of the notified chemical will not be imported and no local reformulation will occur in Australia.

MAXIMUM INTRODUCTION VOLUME OF NOTIFIED CHEMICAL (100%) OVER NEXT 5 YEARS

| <i>Year</i> | <i>1</i> | <i>2</i> | <i>3</i> | <i>4</i> | <i>5</i> |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <i>Tonnes</i> | ≤ 20 |

PORT OF ENTRY

Melbourne or Sydney

IDENTITY OF RECIPIENTS

DIC Australia

TRANSPORTATION AND PACKAGING

Typical packaging of finished ink products containing the notified chemical will include 200 kg drums and 1,000 kg bulk bags excluding intermediate bulk container (IBC) tankers. The ink products will be distributed by road for commercial sale.

USE

The notified chemical is a phenolic antioxidant used as a carrier at concentrations of $\leq 5\%$ in printing inks for direct use in large scale industrial print presses.

OPERATION DESCRIPTION

Finished printing ink products containing the notified chemical at concentrations of $\leq 5\%$ will be handled by workers. The ink product in 200 kg drums or 1,000 kg bulk bags will be transferred either via special drum pumps directly to industrial printing presses or by gravity into larger capacity ($> 1,000$ kg) bulk tanks for further processes.

6. HUMAN HEALTH IMPLICATIONS**6.1. Exposure Assessment****6.1.1. Occupational Exposure****CATEGORY OF WORKERS**

| <i>Category of Worker</i> | <i>Exposure Duration (hours/day)</i> | <i>Exposure Frequency (days/year)</i> |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Transport and storage | 2 – 4 | 150 |
| Repackaging | 4 – 8 | 200 |
| Service technicians | 8 | 200 |
| Office | 8 | 200 |

EXPOSURE DETAILS*Transport and Storage*

Transport and storage workers will handle the notified chemical at concentrations of $\leq 5\%$ in sealed bulk containers. Dermal or ocular exposure to the notified chemical may occur in the unlikely event of an accident when the containers are breached.

End Use

Workers may come into contact with printing ink products containing the notified chemical at concentrations of $\leq 5\%$. Dermal or ocular exposure of workers to the notified chemical may occur during the transfer of printing inks from original containers into industrial printer presses or into larger ink tanks ($> 1,000$ kg). Dermal or ocular exposure is also possible during cleaning or maintaining of the printers, or in the unlikely event of printer ink leaks. According to the notifier, exposure is likely to be reduced by the use of automated processes and appropriate PPE including safety glasses, impervious gloves and coveralls.

In addition, dermal exposure to the notified chemical may occur when workers handle printed pages before the ink dries or if ink-stained parts of printers are touched. Exposure to the notified chemical will be reduced once the ink dries, as the notified chemical will be bound to the matrix of the substrates and is not expected to be available for further exposure.

Inhalation exposure to the notified chemical is not expected, unless ink aerosols are formed during printer operations.

6.1.2. Public Exposure

The printing ink products containing the notified chemical will not be sold to the general public for home and office use. Therefore, direct public exposure to the notified chemical is unlikely to occur.

Members of the public may come into contact with printed materials. However, once the ink dries, the notified chemical will be bound to the matrix of the substrates and is not expected to be available for exposure.

6.2. Human Health Effects Assessment

The results from toxicological investigations conducted on the notified chemical are summarised in the following table. For full details of the studies, refer to Appendix B.

| <i>Endpoint</i> | <i>Result and Assessment Conclusion</i> |
|--|--|
| Acute oral toxicity – rat | LD50 > 5,000 mg/kg bw; low toxicity |
| Acute dermal toxicity – rat | LD50 > 2,000 mg/kg bw; low toxicity |
| Acute inhalation toxicity – rat | LC50 > 7.53 mg/L/4 hour; low toxicity |
| Skin irritation – rabbit | slightly-irritating |
| Eye irritation – rabbit | slightly-irritating |
| Skin sensitisation – guinea pig, Buhler test | no evidence of sensitisation |
| Repeat dose oral toxicity – rat, 28 days | NOEL ^a = 10 mg/kg bw/day (NOAEL ^b = 100 mg/kg bw/day) |
| Mutagenicity – bacterial reverse mutation | non mutagenic |
| Genotoxicity – <i>in vitro</i> chromosome aberration Test | non clastogenic |
| Genotoxicity – <i>in vitro</i> mammalian cell gene mutation test | non mutagenic |
| Genotoxicity – <i>in vivo</i> mouse micronucleus test | non genotoxic |
| Reproductive and developmental toxicity – rat | NOEL ^a (parental, F0) = 10 mg/kg bw/day (NOAEL ^b = 50 mg/kg bw/day) |
| | NOEL ^a (first filial generation, F1) = 50 mg/kg bw/day (NOAEL ^b > 50 mg/kg bw/day but < 1,000 mg/kg bw/day) |

^a No observed effect level (NOEL)

^b No observed adverse effect level (NOAEL)

Toxicokinetics, Metabolism and Distribution

No toxicokinetic data on the notified chemical were submitted. Given the low molecular weight (< 500 g/mol) of the notified chemical and a log P_{ow} of 3.56, absorption across biological membranes is likely to occur.

Acute Toxicity

The notified chemical is of low acute oral, dermal and inhalation toxicity based on studies conducted in rats.

In the acute inhalation toxicity study, 4 hour exposure to a gravimetric aerosol concentration of 7.53 mg/L of the notified chemical resulted in unkempt appearance in the test animals. One animal appeared subdued and showed hunched posture for 24 hours.

Irritation and Sensitisation

Based on results from eye and skin irritation studies conducted in rabbits, the notified chemical was considered to be slightly-irritating. Minor irritation effects observed one hour after exposure in the animals included slight erythema (grade 1) of the skin and slight conjunctival redness (grade 1) of the eyes. The notified chemical was not classified as an irritant under GHS.

No evidence of sensitisation for the notified chemical was observed in a Buehler test conducted in guinea pigs.

Repeated Dose Toxicity

In a 28 day repeated dose oral toxicity study, the notified chemical was administered to rats at dosages of 10, 100 and 1,000 mg/kg bw/day. Treatment related increased liver weight and decreased leucocyte count were observed in the mid and high dose group rats. Statistically significant increase in liver weights in male rats in the high dose group (116% of absolute organ weight compared to control group) were reported while the increases in female rats were slight. The increase in liver weights was associated with dose-related hepatic centrilobular hypertrophy. However, no statistically significant changes in the liver enzyme (alkaline phosphatase) were noted. The effects on the liver were fully reversed in the recovery group treated at high dose after 28 days without treatment indicating it as an adaptive response to the treatment.

A decrease in leucocyte number was observed in all treated males and in females in the high dose group. On discontinuation of treatment, the leucocyte number in recovery animals treated at high dose was still reduced compared to the controls. This change reached statistical significance in females.

The study authors concluded that the above liver and leucocyte effects were likely to be adaptive.

Based on the reported treatment related effects in rats in the mid and high dose groups, the study authors considered the no observed effect level (NOEL) to be 10 mg/kg bw/day. The no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) could be considered as 100 mg/kg bw/day (or higher) based on liver weights and decreased leucocytes in recovery group females at 1,000 mg/kg bw/day.

Mutagenicity/Genotoxicity

The notified chemical was determined to be not mutagenic to the limit of the water solubility in an *in vitro* bacterial reverse mutation assay. The notified chemical was not considered to be clastogenic in an *in vitro* chromosome aberration test using Chinese hamster ovary cells. In an *in vitro* mammalian cell gene mutation test using mouse lymphoma cells, although limited equivocal results were seen in one of the test cultures without metabolic activation, the notified chemical was not considered to be mutagenic as the results were negative in a repeated test. The study authors of an *in vivo* mammalian micronucleus test conducted in rats concluded that the notified chemical was not genotoxic. However, there was no evidence recorded to support that the notified chemical reached the bone marrow of the treated rats.

Reproductive Toxicity

In a one-generation reproductive toxicity study, the notified chemical was administered by oral gavage doses of 10, 50 and 1,000 mg/kg bw/day to male rats during the pre-mating and mating periods, and to female rats during the pre-mating, mating, gestation and lactation periods. One female in the high dose group died due to difficult parturition. No other treatment related mortality or clinical signs were noted during the study.

At the high dose, the study authors noted maternal toxicity, including an increase (not statistically significant) of early resorptions associated with a decrease of live foetuses and an increase of still births. There was no clear indication as to whether these effects were caused by secondary non-specific consequences of systemic toxicity. However, no effects on postnatal survival and development of the first filial generation (F1) live pups were noted at any dose. No pathological changes were observed at the autopsy examinations on the parents (F0) and the F1 pups.

Decreases in mean daily food consumption and mean body weight gain were noted in F0 females in the mid and high dose groups. There were no treatment related effects reported in treated F0 males.

The study authors reported a NOEL of 10 mg/kg bw/day for F0 generation based on reduced weight gain in females at 50 mg/kg bw/day. The NOAEL could be 50 mg/kg bw/day as there were no adverse signs reported at this dose, other than reduced body weight gain due to reduced food consumption. The NOEL for developmental toxicity in F1 pups was reported to be 50 mg/kg bw/day due to developmental effects observed at 1,000 mg/kg bw/day. The NOAEL for developmental toxicity could be > 50 and < 1,000 mg/kg bw/day.

Health Hazard Classification

Based on the available information, the notified chemical is not classified according to the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS)*, as adopted for industrial chemicals in Australia.

6.3. Human Health Risk Characterisation

6.3.1. Occupational Health and Safety

The notified chemical is not considered to be hazardous based on the information provided, except at very high doses (for instance, at 1,000 mg/kg bw/day). It will only be imported in printing inks at concentrations of $\leq 5\%$. Therefore repeated or prolonged exposure to high concentrations is unlikely based on the assessed use pattern. Safe work practices, engineering controls and use of personal protective equipment (PPE) are expected to minimise exposure to the notified chemical.

Under the conditions of the occupational settings described, the notified chemical is not considered to pose an unreasonable risk to the health of workers.

6.3.2. Public Health

Direct public exposure to the notified chemical is unlikely to occur as the printing ink products containing the notified chemical will not be sold to the general public for home and office use. Members of the public may come into contact with materials printed with ink containing the notified chemical; however, once the ink dries,

the notified chemical will be bound to the matrix of the substrates and is not expected to be available for exposure.

When used in the proposed manner, the notified chemical is not considered to pose an unreasonable risk to public health.

7. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1. Environmental Exposure & Fate Assessment

7.1.1. Environmental Exposure

RELEASE OF CHEMICAL AT SITE

The notified chemical is not manufactured or reformulated in Australia; therefore no environmental release is expected from this category. Accidental spills of the notified chemical during import, transport or storage are expected to be adsorbed onto a suitable material and collected for disposal, in accordance with local government regulations.

RELEASE OF CHEMICAL FROM USE

The notified chemical will be used within ink products which will be bound to substrates once dried. The release of the notified chemical may occur from leakage of ink during use, installation or replacement of ink containers. Any releases are expected to be adsorbed onto a suitable material and collected for disposal, in accordance with local government regulations.

RELEASE OF CHEMICAL FROM DISPOSAL

Bulk containers are expected to contain residue which accounts for approximately 2% of the import volume which will be disposed of in accordance with government regulations during the cleaning and recycling of bulk packaging.

Most of the notified chemical is expected to share the fate of the printed substrates to which it has been applied, either subjected to substrate recycling processes, or being disposed of to landfill at the end of their useful lives. As estimated by the notifier, printing on paper accounts for most of the import volume of the notified chemical. A recent Australian waste report states an average paper recycling rate of 60% (Blue Environment Ltd., 2016). In the worst case scenario, up to 60% of the import volume of the notified chemical could be released to the aquatic environment from paper recycling processes.

7.1.2. Environmental Fate

As a result of its use pattern, most of the notified chemical is expected to share the fate of the substrates to which it has been applied, either subjected to substrate recycling processes, or being disposed of to landfill at the end of their useful lives. Waste plastic items may be recycled, but eventually plastic items containing the notified chemical will be disposed of to landfill. In landfill, the notified chemical will be present as cured solids and will be neither bioavailable nor mobile.

During paper recycling processes, waste paper is repulped using a variety of chemical treatments which, amongst other things, enhance ink detachment from the fibres. Waste water from paper recycling processes containing the notified chemical is expected to be treated at an onsite wastewater treatment plant before potential release to sewers or surface waters.

Based on the $\log P_{ow}$ and its low water solubility, the notified chemical is expected to associate with the sludge in the wastewater treatment plant. The waste sludge containing the notified chemical will be sent to landfill for disposal or to agricultural land for remediation. The notified chemical is expected to bind to soil or sludge based on its predicted high $\log K_{oc}$ and low solubility in water. In landfill, soil, sludge and water, the notified chemical is inherently biodegradable according to manometric respirometry studies (> 30% degradation after 28 days) and is expected to eventually degrade via biotic and abiotic processes to form water and oxides of carbon.

The notified chemical is not expected to bioaccumulate based on a bioaccumulation factor (BCF) estimate of 7.7 – 23.3 L/kg wet-weight calculated using the $\log P_{ow}$ value ($\log P_{ow} = 3.56$) in QSAR modelling (US EPA On-Line EPI Suite™ v4.11 model BCFBAF v3.01).

Further study details are located in Appendix C.

7.1.3. Predicted Environmental Concentration (PEC)

The worst-case predicted environmental concentration (PEC) has been calculated to assume 100% of the import volume of the notified chemical will be used on paper and cardboard substrates and 60% of this would be potentially released to sewers through paper recycling processes. As paper recycling occurs at facilities located throughout Australia, it is anticipated that such releases will occur over 260 working days per annum into the Australian effluent volume. It is also assumed under the worst-case scenario that there is no removal of the notified chemical during wastewater treatment processes.

Predicted Environmental Concentration (PEC) for the Aquatic Compartment

| | | |
|---|--------|--------------|
| Total Annual Import/Manufactured Volume | 20,000 | kg/year |
| Proportion expected to be released to sewer | 60% | |
| Annual quantity of chemical released to sewer | 12,000 | kg/year |
| Days per year where release occurs | 260 | days/year |
| Daily chemical release: | 46.15 | kg/day |
| Water use | 200 | L/person/day |
| Population of Australia (Millions) | 24.386 | million |
| Removal within STP | 0% | |
| Daily effluent production: | 4,877 | ML |
| Dilution Factor - River | 1.0 | |
| Dilution Factor - Ocean | 10.0 | |
| PEC - River: | 9.46 | µg/L |
| PEC - Ocean: | 0.95 | µg/L |

The predicted concentration of the notified chemical in soils was calculated using worst-case SimpleTreat STP modelling (Struijs et al. 1991) which assumes a 92% removal rate during sewage treatment, based on the physical and chemical properties of the notified chemical. Partitioning to biosolids in STPs Australia-wide may result in an average biosolids concentration of 15.141 mg/kg (dry weight). Biosolids are applied to agricultural soils, with an assumed average rate of 10 t/ha/year. Assuming a soil bulk density of 1,500 kg/m³ and a soil-mixing zone of 10 cm, the concentration of the notified chemical may approximate 0.101 mg/kg in applied soil. This assumes that degradation of the notified chemical occurs in the soil within 1 year from application. Assuming accumulation of the notified chemical in soil for 5 and 10 years under repeated biosolids application, the concentration of notified chemical in the applied soil in 5 and 10 years may approximate 0.505 mg/kg and 1.01 mg/kg, respectively.

7.2. Environmental Effects Assessment

The results from ecotoxicological investigations conducted on the notified chemical are summarised in the table below. Details of these studies can be found in Appendix C.

| <i>Endpoint</i> | <i>Result</i> | <i>Assessment Conclusion</i> |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| Fish Toxicity (acute) | Not determined at limit of water solubility (0.19 mg/L) | Not acutely toxic to fish to the limit of water solubility |
| Fish toxicity (chronic) | Not determined at limit of water solubility | Not chronically toxic to fish |
| Daphnia Toxicity | Not determined at limit of water solubility | Not acutely toxic to invertebrates |
| Algal Toxicity | Not determined at limit of water solubility (0.17 mg/L) | Not acutely toxic to algae |
| Inhibition of Bacterial Respiration | EC50 > 100 mg/L | Not likely to be inhibitory to microbial activity |
| Acute earthworm toxicity | > 1,000 mg/kg (dry soil) | Not toxic to earthworms |

Based on the above ecotoxicological endpoints for the notified chemical, it is not expected to be harmful to aquatic organisms. Therefore, the notified chemical is not formally classified under the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS)* for acute and chronic toxicities (United Nations, 2009).

7.2.1. Predicted No-Effect Concentration

The Predicted No-Effect Concentration was not calculated as the notified chemical is not toxic at the limit of water solubility.

7.3. Environmental Risk Assessment

On the basis of no toxicity at the limit of water solubility, the notified chemical is not considered to pose an unreasonable risk to the aquatic environment. In addition, on the basis of low toxicity to earthworms, the notified chemical is not considered to pose unreasonable risk to the soil environments.

APPENDIX A: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**Glass Transition Temperature** -56.3 °C

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Method | Differential thermal analysis |
| Remarks | An accurately measured quantity of the notified chemical was placed in a container and the quantity of heat absorbed during glass transition was measured. The test was conducted in a nitrogen atmosphere. |
| Test Facility | EniChem (1992a) |

Boiling Point 220 – 245 °C at 67 Pa

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Method | Low pressure distillation with quantitative determination of the distillate |
| Remarks | The notified chemical was heated at a vacuum of 133 Pa. The temperature in the heater was increased up to 200 °C and the vacuum was further lowered to 67 Pa. The temperature was then increased by 2 °C/min until the boiling temperature for the sample was reached. Fractions were collected and quantified. |
| Test Facility | EniChem (1992b) |

Density $D_4^{20} = 939 \text{ kg/m}^3$

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Method | Similar to EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.3 Relative Density |
| Remarks | Measurement of relative density using a Anton Paar K.G. DMA 46 digital micro-densimeter |
| Test Facility | EniChem (1992c) |

Vapour Pressure $1.663 \times 10^{-1} \text{ kPa at } 20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Method | EEC Guideline N. L. 251 part A: Method A4 |
| Remarks | The static method was used. |
| Test Facility | Istituto Guido Donegani (1992a) |

Water Solubility 0.33 mg/L at 25 °C

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Method | Similar to OECD TG 105 Water Solubility |
| Remarks | Column Elution Method |
| Test Facility | EniChem (1992d) |

Fat (or n-Octanol) Solubility 79.35%

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Method | EEC Guideline N. L. 251 part A: Method A7 |
| Remarks | Analytical Method: the test substance and the standard fat (Natec HB) were mixed in various ratios (16 – 79% concentration of test substance in fat) and the solubility estimated by checking the presence of either one or two phases. |
| Test Facility | Istituto Guido Donegani (1992a) |

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water) $\log P_{ow} = 3.56 \text{ at } 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

| | |
|---------------|--|
| Method | Analytical Method: Three water/n-octanol ratios were saturated with the test substance at 25 °C. The water/n-octanol ratios used were 20/1, 10/1 and 10/2. |
| Remarks | HPLC Method |
| Test Facility | EniChem (1992e) |

Surface Tension 62.05 mN/m at $20 \pm 0.5 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Method | EEC Guideline N. L. 251 part A: Method A5 |
| Remarks | Concentration: 0.29 mg/L |
| Test Facility | Istituto Guido Donegani (1992b) |

| | |
|--|---|
| Adsorption/Desorption – screening test | $\log K_{oc} = 5.0$ at 20 °C |
| Method | OECD TG 121 Estimation of the Adsorption Coefficient (K_{oc}) on Soil and on Sewage Sludge using High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC) |
| Remarks | Dead time t_0 was determined using thiourea and methanol/ 0.1M citrate-buffer mobile phase was used. |
| Test Facility | Istituto di Ricerche Biomediche (1997a) |
| Flash Point | 229 ± 1 °C |
| Method | EEC Guideline N. L. 251 part A: Method A9 |
| Remarks | SetaFlash Closed Cup tester was used. |
| Test Facility | Istituto Guido Donegani (1992a) |
| Autoignition Temperature | 338 ± 2 °C |
| Method | EEC Guideline N. L. 251 part A: Method A15 |
| Remarks | The notified chemical was injected into a uniformly heated 500 mL glass flask containing air at a predetermined temperature to observe the lowest temperature at which autoignition occurs. |
| Test Facility | Istituto Guido Donegani (1992a) |
| Thermal sensitivity | No explosion observed |
| Method | EEC Guideline N. L. 251 part A: Method A14 |
| Remarks | The test substance was heated in a steel tube with nozzle-plates of different diameters of orifice that provide various degree of confinement to determine whether the test substance is liable to explode under thermal stress. |
| Test Facility | Istituto Guido Donegani (1992a) |
| Shock sensitivity | No explosion observed |
| Method | EEC Guideline N. L. 251 part A: Method A14 |
| Remarks | The test substance after drying in a CaCl_2 desiccator was placed in a standard holder (die device) and subjected to the shock of a falling hammer on a steel anvil. A drop-hammer of 10 kg was dropped on samples from a height of 0.4 m. |
| Test Facility | Istituto Guido Donegani (1992a) |

APPENDIX B: TOXICOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS**B.1. Acute Oral Toxicity – Rat**

| | |
|------------------|---|
| TEST SUBSTANCE | Notified chemical |
| METHOD | European Economic Community Guidelines - VI Amendment, Annex V, Directive 84/449/EEC |
| Species/Strain | Rat/Sprague Dawley CrI:CD (SD) BR |
| Vehicle | 0.5% methylcellulose (400 cP) in water |
| Remarks – Method | Test substance was administered once by oral gavage. The post-treatment observation period was 14 days. |
| | Stability and concentration analysis of the test substance in the vehicle was not conducted. |

RESULTS

| <i>Group</i> | <i>Number and Sex of Animals</i> | <i>Dose (mg/kg bw)</i> | <i>Mortality</i> |
|--------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | 10 (5 F/5 M) | 5,000 | 0/10 |

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| LD50 | > 5,000 mg/kg bw |
| Signs of Toxicity | Piloerection was observed 2 hours after administration of the test substance in 2 male and 3 female animals. Recovery of all the treated animals occurred 4 hours after treatment. |
| Effects in Organs | The mean body weight of all animals increased within the normal range throughout the study period. |
| Remarks – Results | There were no macroscopic pathological findings in the animals sacrificed at the end of the observation period. No mortalities occurred |

CONCLUSION The notified chemical is of low acute toxicity via the oral route.

TEST FACILITY Istituto di Ricerche Biomediche (1991a)

B.2. Acute Dermal Toxicity – Rat

| | |
|------------------|---|
| TEST SUBSTANCE | Notified chemical |
| METHOD | European Economic Community Guidelines - VI Amendment, Annex V, Directive 84/449/EEC |
| Species/Strain | Rat/Sprague Dawley CrI:CD (SD) BR |
| Vehicle | None |
| Type of dressing | Semi-occlusive |
| Remarks – Method | Test substance used as supplied and a single dose was applied uniformly to the skin. The post-treatment observation period was 14 days. |

RESULTS

| <i>Group</i> | <i>Number and Sex of Animals</i> | <i>Dose (mg/kg bw)</i> | <i>Mortality</i> |
|--------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | 10 (5 F/5 M) | 2,000 | 0/10 |

| | |
|------------------------------|--|
| LD50 | > 2,000 mg/kg bw |
| Signs of Toxicity – Local | No signs of local toxicity were observed |
| Signs of Toxicity – Systemic | No signs of systemic toxicity were observed |
| Effects in Organs | The mean body weight of all animals increased within the normal range throughout the study period. |

Remarks – Results There were no macroscopic pathological findings in the animals sacrificed at the end of the observation period.
No mortality or clinical signs of toxicity in animals treated with the test substance were observed.

CONCLUSION The notified chemical is of low acute toxicity via the dermal route.

TEST FACILITY Istituto di Ricerche Biomediche (1991b)

B.3. Acute Inhalation Toxicity – Rat

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 403 Acute Inhalation Toxicity – Limit Test
Species/Strain Sprague-Dawley rats
Vehicle None
Method of Exposure Oro-nasal exposure
Exposure Period 4 hours
Physical Form Liquid aerosol
Particle Size < 3.5 µm (94% of test aerosol particles)
Remarks – Method Nominal calculation assumed that relative test substance density equals 1.

RESULTS

| Group | Number and Sex of Animals | Concentration (mg/L) | | Mortality |
|-------|---------------------------|----------------------|--------|-----------|
| | | Nominal | Actual | |
| 1 | 10 (5 F/5 M) | 87.85 | 4.07 | 0/10 |
| 2 | 10 (5 F/5 M) | 70.14 | 7.53 | 0/10 |

LC50 (4 hours) > 7.53 mg/L
Signs of Toxicity An unkempt appearance was noted for all Group 1 animals immediately after exposure to the notified chemical. One animal in Group 2 appeared subdued and showed hunched posture for 24 hours after exposure.
Effects in Organs Slightly mottled lungs in all but 2 animals in Group 2 were observed. Pale and discoloured lungs were noted in 1 female and 1 male in Group 2. The study authors deemed these changes to be in accordance with normal background findings in acute rat studies at the test facility and not attributable to the test substance.

Remarks – Results There were no other macroscopic pathological findings in the animals sacrificed at the end of the observation period.
No mortalities occurred

CONCLUSION The notified chemical is of low acute toxicity via inhalation.

TEST FACILITY IRI (1991)

B.4. Skin Irritation – Rabbit

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD European Economic Community Guidelines - VI Amendment, Annex V, Directive 84/449/EEC
Species/Strain Rabbit/New Zealand White
Number of Animals 3
Vehicle None
Observation Period 72 hours
Type of Dressing Occlusive
Remarks – Method Test substance was used undiluted

RESULTS

| <i>Lesion</i> | <i>Mean Score*</i> | | | <i>Maximum Value</i> | <i>Maximum Duration of Any Effect</i> | <i>Maximum Value at End of Observation Period</i> |
|------------------------|--------------------|---|---|----------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| | <i>Animal No.</i> | | | | | |
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | | | |
| <i>Erythema/Eschar</i> | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | < 24 h | 0 |
| <i>Oedema</i> | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | – | 0 |

* Calculated on the basis of the scores at 24, 48, and 72 hours for EACH animal

Remarks – Results Slight erythema (grade 1) was observed in all treated animals 1 hour after patch removal.

No other dermal reactions were noted at the 24 – 72 hour observations in any animal.

CONCLUSION

The notified chemical is slightly-irritating to the skin.

TEST FACILITY

Istituto di Ricerche Biomediche (1991c)

B.5. Eye Irritation – Rabbit

TEST SUBSTANCE

Notified chemical

METHOD

European Economic Community Guidelines-VI Amendment, Annex V, Directive 84/449/EEC

Species/Strain

Rabbit/New Zealand White

Number of Animals

3

Observation Period

72 hours

Remarks – Method

Test substance was used undiluted and as supplied

RESULTS

| <i>Lesion</i> | <i>Mean Score*</i> | | | <i>Maximum Value</i> | <i>Maximum Duration of Any Effect</i> | <i>Maximum Value at End of Observation Period</i> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|---|---|----------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| | <i>Animal No.</i> | | | | | |
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | | | |
| <i>Conjunctiva – Redness</i> | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | < 24 h | 0 |
| <i>Conjunctiva – Chemosis</i> | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | – | 0 |
| <i>Conjunctiva – Discharge</i> | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | – | 0 |
| <i>Corneal Opacity</i> | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | – | 0 |
| <i>Iridial Inflammation</i> | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | – | 0 |

* Calculated on the basis of the scores at 24, 48, and 72 hours for EACH animal

Remarks – Results

No clinical signs of toxicity were noted in the treated animals.

Locally induced slight conjunctival redness (grade 1) was observed in all animals 1 hour after administration of the test substance.

No other ocular reactions were noted at the 24 – 72 hour observations in any animal.

No evidence of epithelial defects were noted in any of the treated animals.

CONCLUSION

The notified chemical is slightly-irritating to the eye.

TEST FACILITY

Istituto di Ricerche Biomediche (1991d)

B.6. Skin Sensitisation – Guinea Pig, Buhler test

TEST SUBSTANCE

Notified chemical

| | | |
|---------------------------|---|-------------------|
| METHOD | OECD TG 406 Skin Sensitisation – Buhler test (1981) | |
| Species/Strain | Guinea pig (male)/Dunkin Hartley albino | |
| PRELIMINARY STUDY | Maximum non-irritating concentration: Topical: 100% | |
| MAIN STUDY | | |
| Number of Animals | Test Group: 10 | Control Group: 10 |
| Vehicle | None | |
| Positive Control | Not conducted in parallel with the test substance | |
| INDUCTION PHASE | Induction concentration: Topical: 100% | |
| Signs of Irritation | No signs of irritation observed in any treated animals | |
| CHALLENGE PHASE | | |
| 1 st Challenge | Topical: 100% | |
| Remarks – Method | Test substance was used undiluted and applied topically by occlusive patch. | |

RESULTS

| <i>Animal</i> | <i>Challenge Concentration</i> | <i>Number of Animals Showing Skin Reactions after Challenge</i> | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|---|-------------|
| | | <i>24 h</i> | <i>48 h</i> |
| <i>Test Group</i> | 100% | 0/10 | 0/10 |
| <i>Control Group</i> | 0% | 0/10 | 0/10 |

Remarks – Results No animal treated with the test substance showed positive reactions during the challenge phase.

CONCLUSION There was no evidence of reactions indicative of skin sensitisation to the notified chemical under the conditions of the test.

TEST FACILITY Istituto di Ricerche Biomediche (1992a)

B.7. Repeat Dose Oral Toxicity – Rat

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| TEST SUBSTANCE | Notified chemical |
| METHOD | OECD TG 407 Repeated Dose 28-day Oral Toxicity Study in Rodents (1981) EEC Guidelines (EEC Directive 84/449–Annex 5 to EEC Directive 79/831) |
| Species/Strain | Sprague Dawley CrI:CD (SD) BR |
| Route of Administration | Oral – gavage |
| Exposure Information | Total exposure days: 28 days Dose regimen: 7 days per week Post-exposure observation period: 28 days (recovery) |
| Vehicle | Corn oil |
| Remarks – Method | Analyses of the stability and concentration of the formulated test substance were performed. |

RESULTS

| <i>Group</i> | <i>Number and Sex of Animals</i> | <i>Dose (mg/kg bw/day)</i> | <i>Mortality</i> |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| Control | 10 (5 F/5 M) | 0 | 0/10 |
| Low Dose | 10 (5 F/5 M) | 10 | 1/10 |
| Mid Dose | 10 (5 F/5 M) | 100 | 0/10 |
| High Dose | 10 (5 F/5 M) | 1,000 | 1/10 |
| Control Recovery* | 10 (5 F/5 M) | 0 | 0/10 |
| High Dose Recovery* | 10 (5 F/5 M) | 1,000 | 0/10 |

* Control Recovery Group and High Dose Recovery Group were combined with Control Group and High Dose Group respectively in the treatment period.

Mortality and Time to Death

One female in the low dose group and one male in the high dose group died before the end of the treatment

period due to incorrect administration of the test substance into the lungs.

Clinical Observations

No clinical changes were noted in mid and low dose groups.

In the high dose group, episodes of salivation were observed after the administration in some rats of both sexes starting from the third week of the study till the end of the administration period.

One female in the high dose group had fur loss between the second and third week of treatment. This was considered by the study authors as incidental and unrelated to the treatment.

There were no reported treatment related changes on body weights or food consumption in the test animals.

Laboratory Findings – Clinical Chemistry, Haematology, Urinalysis

There were no treatment related adverse effects on clinical chemistry reported.

The study authors noted from an evaluation of the haematological data that there was a decrease in the leucocyte number in males in all treatment groups and in females in the high dose group. This change did not reach statistical significance during the treatment period. After 28 days recovery, the leucocyte number in treated animals of both sexes was still reduced in comparison to the control recovery group and reached statistical significance in females in the high dose recovery group.

A slight increase in the specific gravity of urine were reported in all treated males that reached statistical significance in the mid and high dose groups. Urinalysis revealed a slight increase in the frequency of urinary leucocytes in some males and females in the high dose group. This increase in urinary leucocytes, coincident with decrease in blood leucocytes, was still evident in the high dose recovery group after 28 days without treatment.

Effects in Organs

Statistically significant increase in mean absolute and relative liver weights in males in the high dose group (116% of absolute organ weight compared to control group) were reported. In females of the same group a slight increase in the liver weights was also noted. The increase in liver weights was associated with dose related hepatic centrilobular hypertrophy, indicative of hepatic functional changes. However, the study authors reported that there were no statistically significant changes in the liver enzyme alkaline phosphatase in either sex. Animals in the recovery groups were fully recovered at the end of the recovery period. The study authors considered the changes in the liver to be adaptive in origin.

Remarks – Results

Oral administration of the test substance to rats for a period of 28 consecutive days at dosages of 10, 100 and 1,000 mg/kg bw/day resulted in some treatment related effects as noted above. The study authors considered these changes likely to be adaptive. A no observed effect level (NOEL) was regarded to be 10 mg/kg bw/day for both sexes.

CONCLUSION

The study authors concluded that the NOEL was 10 mg/kg bw/day in the repeated dose oral toxicity study based on the liver and leucocyte effects observed at 50 mg/kg bw/day and above.

TEST FACILITY Istituto di Ricerche Biomediche (1992b)

B.8. Genotoxicity – Bacteria

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 471 Bacterial Reverse Mutation Test (1981)
Plate incorporation procedure

Species/Strain *Salmonella typhimurium*: TA1535, TA1537, TA1538, TA98, TA100

Metabolic Activation System Aroclor 1254 induced rat liver S9 mix

Concentration Range in a) With metabolic activation: 9.3 – 93,000 µg/plate

Main Test b) Without metabolic activation: 9.3 – 93,000 µg/plate

Vehicle Water (for serial dilutions)

Remarks – Method

No preliminary test was conducted. The test substance was assayed undiluted and at 4 serial 1 in 10 dilutions (1:10, 1:100, 1:1,000, 1:10,000) using water. The density of the test substance is 0.93 g/cm³ and resulted in a test concentration range of 9.3 – 93,000 µg/plate for the serially diluted solutions.

The main test was conducted in duplicate and the test substance was added to both base-pair substitution type (TA100 and TA1535) and frameshift type (TA98, TA1537 and TA1538) tester strains.

Tests with negative control and positive controls were run concurrently.

Positive controls were:

- With metabolic activation: 2-Aminofluorene (TA1538, TA98 and TA100)
- Without metabolic activation: hydrazine sulphate (TA1535); 9-aminoacridine HCl monohydrate (TA1537), doxorubicine HCl (TA1538, TA98, TA100).

The negative control was acetone.

No major deviations from the test guideline were reported.

RESULTS

| <i>Metabolic Activation</i> | <i>Test Substance Concentration (µg/plate) Resulting in:</i> | | |
|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| | <i>Cytotoxicity in Test</i> | <i>Precipitation*</i> | <i>Genotoxic Effect</i> |
| <i>Absent</i> | | | |
| Test 1 | Not reported | Not reported | Negative |
| Test 2 | Not reported | Not reported | Negative |
| <i>Present</i> | | | |
| Test 1 | Not reported | Not reported | Negative |
| Test 2 | Not reported | Not reported | Negative |

* Based on the physical and chemical properties (Appendix A), the solubility of the notified chemical in the vehicle (water) is 0.33 mg/L at 25 °C.

Remarks – Results

The test substance at any tested concentrations did not result in an increase of more than twice the number of revertant colonies in comparison to the negative control. No dose-related response was observed in any test strains with or without metabolic activation.

The positive and negative controls provided a satisfactory response confirming the validity of the test system.

CONCLUSION

The notified chemical was not mutagenic to bacteria under the conditions of the test.

TEST FACILITY

Istituto di Ricerche Biomediche (1991e)

B.9. Genotoxicity – In Vitro Mammalian Chromosome Aberration Test

TEST SUBSTANCE

Notified chemical

METHOD

OECD TG 473 *In vitro* Mammalian Chromosome Aberration Test (1981)
EC Directive 92/69/EEC and 67/548/EEC B.10 Mutagenicity – *In vitro*
Mammalian Chromosome Aberration Test (1992)

Species/Strain

Hamster

Cell Type/Cell Line

Chinese hamster ovary cells (CHO)

Metabolic Activation System

Aroclor 1254 induced rat liver S9 mix

Vehicle

Acetone

Remarks – Method

The preliminary cytotoxicity test with and without metabolic activation was performed with a concentration range of 5 – 5,000 µg/mL.

At the dosage levels of 500, 1,500 and 5,000 µg/mL, the test substance was cytotoxic both with and without metabolic activation, resulting in very few metaphases on the slides at harvesting.

Based on the preliminary cytotoxicity test, the concentrations 15, 50 and 150 µg/mL were selected for metaphase analysis in the main tests, with and without metabolic activation.

Ethylmethane sulphonate (EMS) and cyclophosphamide (CP) were used as positive controls. The vehicle was used as the negative control.

No major deviations from the test guideline were reported.

| <i>Metabolic Activation</i> | <i>Test Substance Concentration (µg/mL)</i> | <i>Exposure Period</i> | <i>Harvest Time</i> |
|-----------------------------|---|------------------------|---------------------|
| <i>Absent</i> | | | |
| Preliminary Test | 5, 15, 50, 150, 500, 1500, 5000 | 3 h | 20 h |
| Main Test 1 | 15*, 50*, 150* | 3 h | 20 h |
| Main Test 2 | 15*, 50*, 150* | 18 h | 20 h |
| Main Test 3 | 150* | 24 h | 44 h |
| <i>Present</i> | | | |
| Preliminary Test | 5, 15, 50, 150, 500, 1500, 5000 | 3 h | 20 h |
| Main Test 1 | 15*, 50*, 150* | 3 h | 20 h |
| Main Test 2 | 15*, 50*, 150* | 3 h | 20 h |
| Main Test 3 | 150* | 24 h | 44 h |

* Cultures selected for metaphase analysis.

RESULTS

| <i>Metabolic Activation</i> | <i>Test Substance Concentration (µg/mL) Resulting in:</i> | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| | <i>Cytotoxicity in Preliminary Test</i> | <i>Cytotoxicity in Main Test</i> | <i>Precipitation</i> | <i>Genotoxic Effect</i> |
| <i>Absent</i> | | | | |
| Preliminary Test | ≥ 500 | – | ≥ 500 | Not tested |
| Main Test 1 | – | > 150 | > 150 | Negative |
| Main Test 2 | – | > 150 | > 150 | Negative |
| Main Test 3 | – | > 150 | > 150 | Negative |
| <i>Present</i> | | | | |
| Preliminary Test | ≥ 500 | – | ≥ 500 | Not tested |
| Main Test 1 | – | > 150 | > 150 | Negative |
| Main Test 2 | – | > 150 | > 150 | Negative |
| Main Test 3 | – | > 150 | > 150 | Negative |

Remarks – Results

In the preliminary toxicity test when the test article was added to the incubation mixture, visible droplets formed at concentrations ≥ 500 µg/mL of the test substance. At concentrations ≤ 150 µg/mL small droplets of the test substance distributed throughout the incubation mixture were visible under microscope.

The test substance did not induce any statistically significant increases in the frequency of cells with chromosome aberrations either in the absence or presence of metabolic activation.

The positive and negative (vehicle) controls provided a satisfactory response confirming the validity of the test system.

CONCLUSION

The notified chemical was not clastogenic to Chinese hamster ovary cells treated *in vitro* under the conditions of the test.

TEST FACILITY Istituto di Ricerche Biomediche (1997b)

B.10. Genotoxicity – *In Vitro* Mammalian Cell Gene Mutation Test

| | |
|-----------------------------|--|
| TEST SUBSTANCE | Notified chemical |
| METHOD | OECD TG 476 <i>In vitro</i> Mammalian Cell Gene Mutation Test (1998) |
| Species/Strain | Mouse |
| Cell Type/Cell Line | L5178Y lymphoma cells |
| Metabolic Activation System | Aroclor 1254 induced rat liver S9 mix |
| Vehicle | Ethanol |
| Remarks – Method | Two preliminary cytotoxicity tests were performed to determine concentration range to be used in the main test. In the first test cells were exposed to the test substance for 4 hours at a concentration range of 0.5 – 5,000 µg/mL in the absence and presence of metabolic activation. In the second test, cells were exposed for 24 hours at a concentration range of 0.25 – 2,500 µg/mL of the test substance in the absence of metabolic activation. |

Based on the results of the preliminary toxicity assay, the concentration range chosen for Main Test was 5 to 150 µg/mL, in both the presence and absence of metabolic activation.

Methyl methanesulfonate (MMS) was used as the positive control for the tests in the absence of metabolic activation. In the presence of metabolic activation 7,12-Dimethyl-benz(a)anthracene (7,12 ZDMBA) was used as the positive control. The vehicle (ethanol) was use as the negative control.

In the study, the negative control mutant frequency was 110 mutants per 10⁶ clonable cells for 4 hour exposure in the absence of metabolic activation. The study authors reported that this deviation had no adverse effect on the integrity or conclusions of this study.

| <i>Metabolic Activation</i> | <i>Test Substance Concentration (µg/mL)</i> | <i>Exposure Period</i> | <i>Expression Time</i> | <i>Selection Time</i> |
|-----------------------------|--|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Absent</i> | | | | |
| Preliminary Test 1 | 0.5, 1.5, 5, 15, 50, 150, 500, 1500, 5000 | 4 h | 2 d | 10 – 14 d |
| Preliminary Test 2 | 0.25, 0.75, 2.5, 7.5, 25, 75, 250, 750, 2500 | 24 h | 2 d | 10 – 14 d |
| Main Test 1 | 50*, 75*, 100*, 125*, 150* | 4 h | 2 d | 10 – 14 d |
| Main Test 2 | 3.75*, 7.5*, 18.75*, 37.5*, 75*, 187.5 | 24 h | 2 d | 10 – 14 d |
| <i>Present</i> | | | | |
| Preliminary Test 1 | 0.5, 1.5, 5, 15, 50, 150, 500, 1500, 5000 | 4 h | 2 d | 10 – 14 d |
| Main Test 1 | 50*, 75*, 100*, 125*, 150* | 4 h | 2 d | 10 – 14 d |

* Cultures selected for colony analysis.

RESULTS

| <i>Metabolic Activation</i> | <i>Test Substance Concentration (µg/mL) Resulting in:</i> | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| | <i>Cytotoxicity in Preliminary Test</i> | <i>Cytotoxicity in Main Test</i> | <i>Precipitation</i> | <i>Genotoxic Effect</i> |
| <i>Absent</i> | | | | |
| Preliminary Test | > 5,000 | – | ≥ 150 | Not tested |
| Preliminary Test | > 2,500 | – | ≥ 250 | Not tested |
| Main Test 1 | – | > 150 | ≥ 150 | Equivocal* |
| Main Test 2 | – | > 75 | ≥ 75 | Negative |
| <i>Present</i> | | | | |
| Preliminary Test | > 5,000 | – | ≥ 150 | Not tested |
| Main Test 1 | – | > 150 | ≥ 150 | Negative |

* Equivocal results were only observed at 125 µg/mL dose level.

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| Remarks – Results | One culture tested at 125 µg/mL dose level without metabolic activation exhibited a mutant frequency significantly higher than that of the vehicle control. No dose-response trend was observed. As the results were equivocal, an independent repeat assay was performed for a 24 hour exposure period only in the absence of metabolic activation. The repeat assay (Main Test 2) showed negative results. |
| | The positive and negative (vehicle) controls provided a satisfactory response confirming the validity of the test system. |
| CONCLUSION | The notified chemical was not mutagenic to L5178Y/TK ^{+/+} mouse lymphoma cells treated <i>in vitro</i> under the conditions of the test. |
| TEST FACILITY | BioReliance (2003) |

B.11. Genotoxicity – Rat, *In Vivo* Micronucleus Induction in Bone Marrow Cells

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| TEST SUBSTANCE | Notified chemical |
| METHOD | OECD TG 474 Mammalian Erythrocyte Micronucleus Test (1981) |
| Species/Strain | Sprague Dawley Crl:CD (SD) BR |
| Route of Administration | Oral – gavage |
| Vehicle | 0.5% concentration methylcellulose water solution (0.5% MC) |
| Remarks – Method | Positive control was mitomycin C. |
| | The vehicle control and the test substance were administered by oral gavage, while the positive control was administered by the intraperitoneal route. |

| Group | Number and Sex of Animals | Dose (mg/kg bw) | Sacrifice Time (hours) |
|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| Vehicle control | 30 (15 F/15 M) | 20 ^a | 18 h, 42 h, 66 h ^b |
| Test substance | 30 (15 F/15 M) | 5,000 | 18 h, 42 h, 66 h ^b |
| Positive control, M | 10 (5 F/5 M) | 8 | 42 h |

M = mitomycin C.

^a Vehicle control administered was 20 mL/kg bw

^b Animals were sacrificed at 3 time intervals (18 h, 42 h and 66 h). At each time interval 10 animals treated with the test substance or negative control were sacrificed.

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| RESULTS | |
| Doses Producing Toxicity | No cytotoxic effects on bone marrow cells were observed at a dose of 5,000 mg/kg bw. No clinical signs of toxicity were reported. |
| Genotoxic Effects | Negative |
| Remarks – Results | The positive and vehicle controls provided a satisfactory response confirming the validity of the test system. |
| | It was noted that the study authors did not determine if the test substance reached the bone marrow of the treated rats. |
| | The test substance did not induce any statistically significant increase in the frequency of micronucleated cells in the bone marrow under the test conditions. |
| CONCLUSION | The study authors reported that the notified chemical was not clastogenic under the conditions of this <i>in vivo</i> micronucleus test. |
| TEST FACILITY | Istituto di Ricerche Biomediche (1991f) |

B.12. Toxicity to Reproduction – Rat, One Generation Study

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|-------------------------|---|
| TEST SUBSTANCE | Notified chemical |
| METHOD | OECD TG 415 One-Generation Reproduction Toxicity Study (1981) |
| Species/Strain | Rat/Sprague Dawley CrI:CD (SD) BR |
| Route of Administration | Oral – gavage |
| Exposure Information | Exposure period – female: From 14 days pre-mating to the end of lactation Exposure period – male: From 70 days pre-mating to the end of mating) |
| Vehicle | Com oil |
| Remarks – Method | The dosages were selected based on a previous 28 day repeated oral dose toxicity study in rats. The highest dose corresponds to the maximum tolerated dose and the lowest dose is the no observed effect level (NOEL) established in the study. |

The test substance was administered to 30 male rats (parental, F0) per group for approximately 70 days covering pre-mating and mating, and to 30 female rats (parental, F0) per group from 14 days prior to mating, during pregnancy and during lactation (for approximately 58 days).

Analyses of the stability and concentration of the formulated test substance were performed.

RESULTS

| <i>Group</i> | <i>Number and Sex of Animals</i> | <i>Dose (mg/kg bw/day)</i> | <i>Mortality</i> |
|--------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| Control | 60 (30 F/30 M) | 0 | 0/30 |
| Low Dose | 60 (30 F/30 M) | 10 | 1/30 |
| Mid Dose | 60 (30 F/30 M) | 50 | 0/30 |
| High Dose | 60 (30 F/30 M) | 1,000 | 1/30 |

Mortality and Time to Death

One female rat in the high dose group died owing to difficult parturition (dystocia) and another female in the low dose group died before the end of the treatment period due to incorrect administration of the test substance.

Effects on Parental (P) animals:

No clinical signs or behavioural changes were noted in any experimental group during the pre-mating, mating, gestation and lactation periods.

No differences were noted in the mating and fertility indices nor in the mean mating time among the different experimental groups.

No body weight gain changes observed in treated males compared to control males during pre-mating. Female body weight gains were slightly reduced during the pre-mating period in the high dose group and statistically significantly reduced during the gestation and lactation in the mid and high dose groups. The body weight reductions in the females were associated with reduced food consumptions.

No interferences were found on parental reproductive performance and no effects were observed on the weight of the gonads. The absolute weights of testes were significantly increased in males of the high dose group while the relative weights were similar in all experimental groups. No treatment-related changes were seen histologically either in testes or in the epididymitis of males in the high dose group. The weights of ovaries in females of the high dose group were slightly lower than that of the control females, without reaching statistical significance.

No dams with late resorptions, 100% resorptions or dead foetuses were observed in any experimental group. In females of the high dose group, the frequency of early resorptions was statistically significantly higher compared to control females. An increase in number of still births with a related decrease in number of live births was also observed. For live foetuses, both the total number per group and the mean number per litter were significantly lower in the high dose group compared to controls. The length of parturition was slightly increased. Difficult parturition was also observed in one female in this dose group. The study authors also noted an apparent increase

in frequency of female foetuses in necropsy which they did not consider to be treatment related. No effects were reported on the postnatal survival and development of the first filial generation (F1) live pups.

Effects on 1st Filial Generation (F1)

One pluri-malformed foetus was observed at the external examination in the high dose group, having ablefaria, acrania, exencephaly, exophthalmia and macrophthalmia. One foetus with hydroureter and related hydronephrosis was noted in the control group and 3 foetuses with hydroureter were found in the high dose group. A significant increase was observed in the frequencies per group of visceral variants in the high dose group, all related to the urinary tract. No skeletal malformations were found.

No significant changes were found in the mean body weight of pups from treated and control groups during the lactation and post-lactation periods.

Remarks – Results

No pathological changes were observed at the autopsy examination done on F0 parents and F1 pups.

The study authors considered that oral administration of the test substance to male rats during the pre-mating and mating periods and to female rats during the pre-mating, mating, gestation and lactation periods did not induce any apparent toxic effects in male animals. However, they noted that females in the mid and high dose groups had reduced mean body weight gain associated with reduced mean daily food consumption.

Maternal toxicity was present in females in the high dose group as increases in early resorptions and still births in this treatment group were observed.

No effects on postnatal survival and development of the F1 live pups were noted in the study.

CONCLUSION

The study authors concluded that a NOEL of 10 mg/kg bw/day may be regarded for F0 parents based on reduced body weight gain noted at 50 mg/kg bw/day and above. A NOEL of 50 mg/kg bw/day may be considered for F1 pups based on developmental effects observed at 1,000 mg/kg bw/day dose level.

TEST FACILITY

Istituto di Ricerche Biomediche (1998a)

APPENDIX C: ENVIRONMENTAL FATE AND ECOTOXICOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS

C.1. Environmental Fate

Contradictory results were reported between the modified MITI study and the manometric respirometry studies. HPLC analysis conducted in the modified MITI test showed an unknown peak which may be evidence of a degradant and confounded the results of this test. The two manometric respirometry studies returned similar results for biodegradability. Therefore the overall consideration for biodegradability of the notified chemical was based on the results from the manometric respirometry studies.

C.1.1. Ready Biodegradability

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| TEST SUBSTANCE | Notified chemical |
| METHOD | OECD TG 301 C Ready Biodegradability: Modified MITI Test (I) |
| Inoculum | Mixed liquor suspended solid |
| Exposure Period | 28 days |
| Auxiliary Solvent | None |
| Analytical Monitoring | BOD and HPLC |
| Remarks – Method | As per OECD test guidelines. No deviations to the test guideline were noted. |

RESULTS

| <i>Test Substance</i> | | <i>Aniline</i> | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| <i>Day</i> | <i>% Degradation</i> | <i>Day</i> | <i>% Degradation</i> |
| 7 | 0 | 7 | 62 |
| 14 | 0 | 14 | 71 |
| 28 | 0 | 28 | 71 |

Remarks – Results All validity criteria were met. Reference substance reached 62% after 7 days and 71% after 14 days, and the difference in extremes of the test substances was less than 20% at Day 10.

Oxygen consumption in the control test was 6.7 mg/L at Day 28, it is noted that this is outside of the expected 20 – 30 mg/L range.

An additional peak was detected during the HPLC analysis of the test concentrations.

CONCLUSION The notified chemical is not biodegradable under the conditions of the modified MITI test. However, the test substance may have been modified under the study conditions.

TEST FACILITY Mitsubishi Chemical Safety Institute Ltd. (2001)

C.1.2. Ready Biodegradability

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|-----------------------|---|
| TEST SUBSTANCE | Notified chemical |
| METHOD | OECD TG 301 F Manometric Respirometry |
| Inoculum | Activated sludge |
| Exposure Period | 28 days |
| Auxiliary Solvent | None |
| Analytical Monitoring | Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) |
| Remarks – Method | As per OECD guidelines. No deviations to the test guideline were noted. |

RESULTS

| <i>Test Substance</i> | | <i>Sodium benzoate</i> | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| <i>Day</i> | <i>% Degradation</i> | <i>Day</i> | <i>% Degradation</i> |
| 7 | 8.75 | 7 | 71.6 |
| 14 | 18.3 | 14 | 81.2 |
| 21 | 30.5 | 21 | 86.2 |
| 28 | 36.2 | 28 | 87.9 |

Remarks – Results

Most validity criteria were met. The reference substance reached 81.2% degradation after 14 days. The difference in replicate extremes of the test substance was less than the 20% at Day 10.

It is noted that oxygen consumption in the inoculum blank was slightly above 60 mg/L limit (mean 60.8 mg/L); however this does not invalidate the test.

CONCLUSION

The notified chemical is inherently biodegradable (36.2%) under the conditions of the manometric respirometry test.

TEST FACILITY

Huntingdon Life Sciences Ltd. (1998)

C.1.3. Ready Biodegradability

TEST SUBSTANCE

Notified chemical

METHOD

OECD TG 301 F Manometric Respirometry

Inoculum

Unspecified

Exposure Period

28 days

Auxiliary Solvent

None

Analytical Monitoring

Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)

Remarks – Method

As per OECD guidelines. No deviations to the test guideline were noted.

RESULTS

| <i>Test Substance</i> | | <i>Sodium Benzoate</i> | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| <i>Day</i> | <i>% Degradation</i> | <i>Day</i> | <i>% Degradation</i> |
| 5 | 0 | 5 | 75.4 |
| 9 | 0.4 | 9 | 89.7 |
| 14 | 6.9 | 14 | 90.0 |
| 23 | 32.0 | 23 | 96.5 |
| 28 | 34.5 | 28 | 96.8 |

Remarks – Results

Control sample data were not provided, and therefore not all of the validity criteria could be verified.

The following validity criteria were verified:

- The difference in extremes of the test substance was less than 20% at Day 10.
- Reference substance reached 75.4% degradation after 5 days and 90% after 14 days.

CONCLUSION

The notified chemical is inherently biodegradable (34.5%) under the conditions of the manometric respirometry test.

TEST FACILITY

Istituto Guido Donegani (1992c)

C.2. Ecotoxicological Investigations

C.2.1. Acute Toxicity to Fish

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| TEST SUBSTANCE | Notified chemical |
| METHOD | OECD TG 203 Fish, Acute Toxicity Test – semi-static EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 C.1 Acute Toxicity for Fish – semi-static |
| Species | <i>Cyprinus carpio</i> |
| Exposure Period | 96 hours |
| Auxiliary Solvent | None |
| Water Hardness | 180 mg CaCO ₃ /L |
| Analytical Monitoring | Ultra HPLC (UPLC) |
| Remarks – Method | As per OECD test guidelines. No deviations to the test guideline were noted. |
| | Water was renewed daily. |
| | Oversaturation was observed when attempting to create a water accommodated fraction (WAF) of 10 mg/L, and therefore a WAF of 1.0 mg/L was used for this study. A reference test was conducted using pentachlorophenol. |

RESULTS

| Concentration (mg/L) | | Number of Fish | Mortality | | | | |
|----------------------|--------|----------------|-----------|------|------|------|------|
| Nominal | Actual | | 1 h | 24 h | 48 h | 72 h | 96 h |
| Control | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1.0 | 0.19 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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| LC50 | > 0.19 mg/L (measured) at 96 hours |
| NOEC (or LOEC) | 0.19 mg/L (measured) at 96 hours |
| Remarks – Results | All validity criteria were met. Temperature was maintained at 22 °C, pH was maintained within 1 unit and the dissolved oxygen concentration was maintained at > 60% of air saturation. Concentrations of the test substance were maintained at > 80% of the nominal concentration. |

Reference test concluded a 96 h LC50 of 0.24 mg/L.

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| CONCLUSION | The notified chemical is not toxic to fish at the limit of water solubility. |
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| TEST FACILITY | WIL (2015a) |
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C.2.2. Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Invertebrates

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| TEST SUBSTANCE | Notified chemical |
| METHOD | OECD TG 202 Daphnia sp. Acute Immobilisation Test and Reproduction Test – static EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 C.2 Acute Toxicity for Daphnia – static |
| Species | <i>Daphnia magna</i> |
| Exposure Period | 48 hours |
| Auxiliary Solvent | None |
| Water Hardness | 180 mg CaCO ₃ /L |
| Analytical Monitoring | UPLC |
| Remarks – Method | As per OECD guidelines. No deviations to the test guideline were noted. |
| | Oversaturation was observed when attempting to create WAFs of 10 mg/L |

and 100 mg/L, and therefore a WAF of 1.0 mg/L was used for this study.

A reference test was conducted using potassium dichromate.

RESULTS

| Concentration (mg/L) | | Number of <i>D. magna</i> | Number Immobilised | |
|----------------------|--------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Nominal | Actual | | 24 h [acute] | 48 h [acute] |
| Control | 0 | 20 | 0 | 1 |
| 1.0 | 0.17 | 20 | 0 | 0 |

LC50 > 0.17 mg/L at 24 hours
> 0.17 mg/L at 48 hours
NOEC (or LOEC) 0.17 mg/L at 48 hours
Remarks – Results All validity criteria were met. The dissolved oxygen was maintained at > 3 mg/L, pH was maintained at 8.1 and the temperature was maintained at 21 – 22 °C

Reference test indicated an EC50 (24 h) of 0.70 mg/L and an EC50 (48 h) of 0.41 mg/L (within the accepted range).

CONCLUSION The notified chemical is not toxic at the limit of water solubility.

TEST FACILITY WIL (2015b)

C.2.3. Chronic Toxicity to Aquatic Invertebrates

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 204 Fish, Prolonged Toxicity Test: 14-Day Study – semi-static
Species *Brachydanio rerio*
Exposure Period 21 days
Auxiliary Solvent Acetone
Water Hardness Total hardness was 236 mg CaCO₃/L
Analytical Monitoring Unspecified
Remarks – Method As per OECD guidelines when conducted (OECD TG 204 has been deleted as of 2nd April 2014), test timeframe was extended from 14 days to 21 days.

Water was renewed daily.

| Concentration (mg/L) | | Number of Fish | Mortality | | | |
|----------------------|--------|----------------|-----------|----|------|-----|
| Nominal | Actual | | 1 d | 7d | 14 d | 21d |
| Control | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Control (solvent) | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0.033 | BDL | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0.104 | BDL | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0.330 | 0.240 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

BDL = Below Detection limit

LC50 > 0.330 mg/L at 21 days based on nominal values.
NOEC (or LOEC) 0.240 mg/L at 21 days
Remarks – Results The test met the validity criteria (at the time of test completion). Oxygen content was maintained above 50% of air saturation value and substance concentration was maintained throughout the test.

The concentrations in the nominal samples 0.033 and 0.104 could not be confirmed as the concentration was below the detectable level.

CONCLUSION The notified chemical is not chronically toxic to fish.

TEST FACILITY Istituto di Ricerche Biomediche (1998b)

C.2.4. Algal Growth Inhibition Test

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 201 Alga, Growth Inhibition Test
EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 C.3 Algal Inhibition Test

Species *Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata*
Exposure Period 72 hours
Concentration Range Nominal: 1.0 mg/L
Actual: 0.17 mg/L

Auxiliary Solvent None
Water Hardness 240 mg CaCO₃/L
Analytical Monitoring UPLC

Remarks – Method Initial concentration of test substance was measured as 0.437 mg/L from a nominal initial WAF of 1.0 mg/L and this is assumed to be the limit of water solubility of the notified chemical.

A positive control was run using potassium dichromate.

RESULTS

| <i>Growth rate</i> | | <i>Yield</i> | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>ErC50</i> (mg/L at 72 h) | <i>NOEC</i> (mg/L) | <i>EyC50</i> (mg/L at 72 h) | <i>NOEC</i> (mg/L) |
| > 0.17 | 0.17 | > 0.17 | 0.17 |

Remarks – Results The measured concentration deteriorated to 11% of the initial concentration at the end of the study. Therefore a time weighted average was used to determine the exposure concentration of 0.17 mg/L.

All validity criteria were met.

Control cell density increased by a factor of at least 16 per day. The coefficient of variation for both the section-by-section growth and average specific growth rate was 18%.

CONCLUSION The notified chemical does not inhibit algal growth at the limit of water solubility.

TEST FACILITY WIL (2015c)

C.2.5. Inhibition of Microbial Activity

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 209 Activated Sludge, Respiration Inhibition Test
EC Directive 88/302/EEC C.11 Biodegradation: Activated Sludge Respiration Inhibition Test

Inoculum Activated sludge
Auxiliary solvent Tween 80
Exposure Period 30 minutes
Concentration Range Nominal: 3.2 – 100 mg/L

Remarks – Method A reference test was conducted using 3,5-dichlorophenol.

Deviations from the OECD test guidelines include the use of “Tween 80” as an emulsifier for the test substance. The samples were also aerated for 30 minutes rather than the specified 3 hours.

An upper range sample of 1,000 mg/L was not included in this test.

RESULTS
 IC50 > 100 mg/L
 NOEC 100 mg/L
 Remarks – Results Test was repeated twice as validity criteria were not met. Only the third test was reported which met all validity criteria. The coefficient of variation between control samples was 13.4% and the EC50 of the reference test was 12.2 mg/L.

Inhibition in the 10 mg/L sample could not be calculated as there was rapid oxygen consumption in this sample.

CONCLUSION The notified chemical is not likely to be inhibitory to microbial activity

TEST FACILITY RCC UMWELTCHEMIE AG. (1993)

C.2.6. Acute Toxicity to Earthworms

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD Equivalent to OECD TG 207 Acute Earthworm Toxicity Test
 Species *Eisenia foetida*
 Exposure Period 14 days
 Remarks – Method As per OECD guidelines. No deviations to the test guideline were noted.

RESULTS
 EC50 > 1,000 mg/kg
 NOEC 1,000 mg/kg
 Remarks – Results A limit test at a concentration of 1,000 mg/kg was conducted which showed no mortality or abnormalities in either the treated group or the control after the testing period.

CONCLUSION Notified chemical is not toxic to earthworms.

TEST FACILITY Istituto di Ricerche Biomediche (1998c)

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