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SCCP

OPINION ON
Basic Brown 16

COLIPA n° C9



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1. BACKGROUND

Submission I and II for Basic Brown 16, with the chemical name 8-[(4-Aminophenyl)diazaryl]-7-hydroxy-N,N,N-trimethylnaphthalen-2-aminium chloride, were submitted by COLIPA¹ in August 1992 and in July 2001 respectively.

The Scientific Committee on Cosmetic Products and Non-Food Products intended for Consumers (SCCNFP) adopted at the 23rd plenary meeting of 18 March 2003 the opinion (SCCNFP/0668/03), that "*the information submitted is insufficient to allow an adequate risk assessment to be carried out. Accordingly, the SCCNFP considers that it is not possible to assess the safe use of the substance. Before any further consideration, the following information is required:*

- * A study on percutaneous absorption according to the Notes of Guidance (SCCNFP/0321/00);
- * data on the genotoxicity/mutagenicity following the SCCNFP-opinion "Proposal for a Strategy for Testing Hair Dye Cosmetic Ingredients for their Potential of Genotoxicity / Mutagenicity", doc. n° SCCNFP/0566/02 of 4 June 2002, and in accordance with the Notes of Guidance, regularly updated by the SCCNFP (doc. n° SCCNFP/0321/00)".

According to the current submission III, submitted by COLIPA in July 2005, Basic Brown 16 is used as an ingredient in direct hair formulations in concentrations up to 2%.

Submission III presents updated scientific data on the above mentioned substance in line with the second step of the strategy for the evaluation of hair dyes (<http://europa.eu.int/comm/enterprise/cosmetics/doc/hairdyestrategyinternet.pdf>) within the framework of the Cosmetics Directive 76/768/EEC.

2. TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. *Does the Scientific Committee on Consumer Products (SCCP) consider the use of Basic Brown 16 safe for consumers, when used as an ingredient in non-oxidative hair dye formulations with a concentration on the scalp of maximum 2.0% taking into account the scientific data provided?*
2. *Does the SCCP recommend any restrictions with regard to the use of Basic Brown 16 in non-oxidative hair dye formulations?*

¹ COLIPA - European Cosmetics Toiletry and Perfumery Association

3. OPINION

3.1. Chemical and Physical Specifications

3.1.1. Chemical identity

3.1.1.1. Primary name and/or INCI name

Basic Brown 16 (INCI name)

3.1.1.2. Chemical names

2-Naphthalenaminium, 8-[(4-aminophenyl)azo]-7-hydroxy-N,N,N-trimethyl-, chloride
 Ammonium, [8-[(p-aminophenyl)azo]-7-hydroxy-2-naphthyl]-trimethyl-, chloride
 8-[(4-Aminophenyl)diazenyl]-7-hydroxy-N,N,N-trimethylnaphthalen-2-aminium chloride

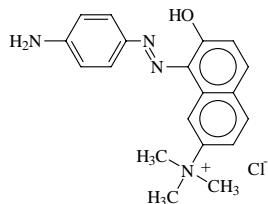
3.1.1.3. Trade names and abbreviations

Arianor Mahogany
 Arianor Mahogany 306002
 C.I. 12250
 C.I. Basic Brown 16
 COLIPA C 009

3.1.1.4. CAS / EINECS number

CAS: 26381-41-9
 EINECS: 247-640-9

3.1.1.5. Structural formula



3.1.1.6. Empirical formula

Formula: C₁₉H₂₁N₄O⁺ Cl⁻

3.1.2. Physical form

Dark green to black powder

3.1.3. Molecular weight

Molecular weight: 356.86, calculated as HCl

3.1.4. Purity, composition and substance codes

From SCCNFP/0668/03 (adopted during the 23rd plenary meeting of 18 March 2003)

Composition:	Dye (as chloride)	73.1%
	Sugar	15.1%
	volatile matter/water of crystallisation	6.1%
	inorganic salts (chloride, sulphate, etc.)	to 100%
Purity of the dye (batch: Lot 7)		>94 area% (HPLC)

Purity and Composition of material used in the market

Purity by NMR assay:	> 85% (w/w)
Purity by HPLC assay:	> 97% (area)
Chloride:	< 14% (w/w) [Chloride of NaCl: 3.4%]
Sulphated ash:	< 7% (w/w) [corresponds to 8.6% NaCl]
7-Hydroxy-N,N,N-trimethyl-naphthalen-2-aminium chloride	< 0.5% (w/w)
Heavy Metals (ppm):	Pb<20, Sb<10, Ni<10, As<5, Cd<5, Hg<1
Solvent content (water):	< 6% (w/w)
Methylchloride *:	< 2.5% (w/w)
Methylbromide *:	< 1.2% (w/w)

Before marketing of Basic Brown 16, sodium chloride and/or saccharose are usually added to the neat dye in order to adjust the colour strength to a certain predefined value.

- * Methylbromide is classified by the EU as a mutagen category 3
- Methylchloride is classified by the EU as a carcinogen category 3

Ref: 1

Analytical description of Batches used in Toxicity studies

Batch	57861/2=SAT 050020	12/13 =SAT 040268	KS 6024
Reference	(2)	(3), (4)	(5)
Identity: verified by	NMR, IR and UV	NMR, IR and UV	IR and UV
Purity by NMR assay:	89.1% (w/w) *	65.7% (w/w) *	65.7%
Purity by UV/VIS			50-60% (w/w)
Purity by HPLC assay: (area, at pH 6.7) (area, at pH 2)	99.5% - -	98.9% ⁽³⁾ 97.9% - -	97.5% 93.4%
Solvent content (water):	4.8% (w/w)	4.2% (w/w)	4.2% (w/w)
Methylsulfate:	not determined	0.8% (w/w)	not analysed
Methylchloride **	2.0% (w/w)	2.9% (w/w)	not analysed
Methylbromide **	1.0% (w/w)	not analysed	not analysed
NTBRI (7-Hydroxy-N,N,N-trimethyl-naphthalen-2-aminium chloride) (w/w)	0.13%	not analysed	0.9% (w/w)
Unidentified impurities:	~0.5% (~10 peaks)		1.2%
Chloride: (by ion-chromatography) (by titration) (by HPLC)	11.5% (w/w) - -	20.3% (w/w) * - -	- 9% 14.6%
Sodium:	1.5 %	7% (w/w) *	not analysed
Saccharose			14.6% (w/w)*
Sulphated ash:	5.3% (w/w)	30% (w/w) *	not analysed

* Note: The Batches 12/13 and KS 6024 represent actual market materials containing additional salts (e.g. sodium chloride) and/or saccharose as "extenders" which are used to adjust the colour strength to a predefined value.

** Methylbromide is classified by the EU as mutagenic category 3
Methylchloride is classified by the EU as carcinogenic category 3

Batch	57861/2=SAT 050020	12/13 =SAT 040268	KS 6024
Remark:			
The Purity by NMR = 65.7% (w/w) stated in the Summary submission III for the batch KS 6024 is contradictory to the data reported in the specific analytical file (ref. 5), according to which the content is 50-60% by UV/VIS analysis using the extinction coefficients calculated for the batch 57861/2.			

Other batches (statement by the authors)

The batch used in the acute oral toxicity test is not fully analytically described. However, information is available from the laboratories that have synthesized this batch concerning the identity and purity of the material produced at that time. From this information it can be concluded that the former not fully described batch is representative and the specification of the contained dye is quite similar to the fully characterized batch 57861/2.

Ref: 1

Comment

The Purity by NMR = 65.7% (w/w) stated in the Summary submission III for the batch KS 6024 is contradictory to the data reported in the specific analytical file (ref. 5), according to which the content is 50-60% by UV/VIS analysis using the extinction coefficients calculated for the batch 57861/2.

The 90-day NOAEL dose of the batch KS 6024 needs to be corrected according to the dye content.

3.1.5. Impurities / accompanying contaminants

In addition to the NTBRI (7-Hydroxy-N,N,N-trimethyl-naphthalen-2-aminium chloride) mentioned in the previous section 3.1.4, at least 10 additional impurities were detected (but not identified) by HPLC in batch 57861/2, representing about 0.5%.

Comparable HPLC data are not provided for the other batches, but the number of additional non-identified impurities may be more taking into account that their total content is 1.2%. Also, the content of NTBRI in the batch KS 6024 was found much higher than in the batch 57861/2:

batch 57861/2 Basic Brown 16 = 89.1% NTBRI = 0.13% (0.13/89.1 = 0.0015)
 batch KS 6024 Basic Brown 16 = 50-60% NTBRI = 0.90% (0.90/60.0 = 0.0150)

3.1.6. Solubility

Water: > 100 g/l at room temperature

Ethanol: 10-100 g/l at room temperature

DMSO: 50-200 g/l at room temperature

3.1.7. Partition coefficient (Log P_{ow})

Log P_{ow}: (calc. Syracuse Vers. 1.66): 0.88

3.1.8. Additional physical and chemical specifications

Appearance: Dark green to black powder

Melting point: 169-175 °C (in SCCNFP/0667/03 it was 160-170 °C-decomposition)

Flash point: /

Vapour pressure: /

Density: /

Viscosity: /

pKa: /
Refractive index: /
pH: /
UV_Vis spectrum: (200-800 nm): λ_{max} 218nm ($\epsilon=37430$), 259nm ($\epsilon=18630$), 478nm ($\epsilon=22770$)

3.1.9. Homogeneity and Stability

No data provided

General comments on analytical and physico-chemical characterisation

- * Log P_{ow} : calculated values cannot be accepted as an estimate of the true physical constant without justification.
- * Impurities in the dye have not been characterised; at least 10 additional non-identified impurities were detected by HPLC.
- * Unidentified impurities in batch KS 6024 at a concentration of 1.2% have not been characterised.
- * Inorganic salts (5.7 %) in the dye formulation have not been specified.
- * the solubility has not been determined by the EU method;
- * the stability data of Basic Brown 16 in the test solutions and in the marketed product is not reported
- * Methylbromide is classified by the EU as mutagenic category 3; methylchloride is classified by the EU as carcinogenic category 3
- * The cleavage of the azo-group may release para-phenylenediamine (PPD)

3.2. Function and uses

Basic Brown 16 is used as a direct dye for hair colouring products without mixing with an oxidising agent (e.g. hydrogen peroxide). The final concentration on head of Basic Brown 16 can be up to 2.0%.

3.3. Toxicological Evaluation

The batches used have varying dye contents due to the addition of an extender. The results from the toxicity tests need to be re-calculated according to dye content of the test substance.

3.3.1. Acute toxicity

3.3.1.1. Acute oral toxicity

Taken from SCCNFP/0668/03

Guideline:	study pre-dates OECD Guideline 401
Species:	CFY rat
Group size:	2 male + 2 female
Material:	Basic Brown 16 in 1% aqueous methylcellulose
Batch:	not stated
Dose:	0, 0.1, 1.0, 2.0 and 4.0 g/kg bw in volumes of 1.0 to 40 ml/kg
Observation period:	14 days
GLP:	not in compliance
Study period:	July 1977

Groups of 2 male and 2 female rats received a single oral dose of 0.1, 1.0, 2.0 and 4.0 g/kg bw. Control animals received 1% aqueous methylcellulose in a volume of 40 ml/kg. The animals were observed daily for 14 days for mortality and clinical abnormalities. Body weights and macroscopic observations were recorded, but histological examinations were not performed.

Results

Within one week of dosing, all animals treated at 4.0 g/kg bw died, one female died after a dose of 1.0 g/kg and one after a dose of 2.0 g/kg bw; no male rats died at doses of 1 or 2 g/kg bw. There were no mortalities at 0.1 g/kg. Signs of reaction to treatment, observed shortly after dosing, included piloerection and abnormal body carriage (hunched posture). The bodyweight gain of surviving treated animals was similar to controls and no abnormalities were recorded at autopsy.

Conclusion

The LD50 was reported to be between 2 and 4 g/kg bw.

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3.3.1.2. Acute dermal toxicity

No data submitted

3.3.1.3. Acute inhalation toxicity

No data submitted

3.3.2 Irritation and corrosivity

3.3.2.1. Skin irritation

Guideline:	OECD 404 (2002)
Species:	New Zealand white rabbit, SPF

Group: 3 (1 male and 2 females)
 Test substance: C 009
 Batch: 12/13
 Purity: 98.9% (HPLC)
 Dose: 0.5 g of C 009 moistened with 0.1 ml of purified water (pH 5.45)
 Vehicle: purified water
 GLP: in compliance
 Study period: 11 – 24 May 2004

The test substance was applied by topical semi-occlusive application of 0.5 g to the intact left flank of each of three young adult New Zealand White rabbits. The duration of treatment was four hours. The scoring of skin reactions was performed 1, 24, 48 and 72 hours after removal of the dressing. The mean score was calculated across 3 scoring times (24, 48 and 72 hours after patch removal) for each animal for erythema/eschar grades and for oedema grades, separately.

Results

The mean erythema/eschar score and the mean oedema score was 0 for all three animals. The application of C 009 to the skin resulted in no signs of irritation. However slight brown staining of the treated skin produced by the test item was observed in all animals at the 1- and 24-hour reading. No corrosive effects were noted on the treated skin of any animal at any of the measuring intervals and no clinical signs were observed. Thus, the test item did not induce significant or irreversible damage to the skin.

Conclusion

Under the conditions of the test, the study authors considered C009 to be not irritating to rabbit skin.

Ref.: 7

3.3.2.2. Mucous membrane irritation

Guideline: OECD 405 (2002)
 Species: New Zealand white rabbit, SPF
 Group: 3 (1 male and 2 females)
 Test substance: C 009
 Batch: 12/13
 Purity: 98.9% (HPLC)
 Dose: 0.1 g of C 009 (pH 5.45)
 Vehicle: /
 GLP: in compliance
 Study period: 25 May – 16 June 2004

The test substance was applied by instillation of 0.1 g into the left eye of each of three young adult New Zealand White rabbits. The treated and untreated eyes were rinsed with lukewarm tap water 48 hours after instillation. Scoring of irritation effects was performed approximately 1, 24, 48 and 72 hours, as well as 7, 10 and 14 after test item instillation. The mean Score was calculated across 3 scoring times (24, 48 and 72 hours after instillation) for each animal for corneal opacity, iris, redness and chemosis of the conjunctivae, separately.

Results

The individual mean scores for corneal opacity were 0.33, 0.67 and 0.33, respectively. The individual mean scores for the iris were 0.00 for all three animals. The individual mean scores for the conjunctivae were 1.67, 2.00 and 2.00 for reddening and 1.67, 1.33 and 1.67 for chemosis, respectively.

The instillation of C 009 into the eye resulted in mild to moderate, early-onset and transient ocular changes, such as reddening of the conjunctivae and sclerae, discharge and chemosis.

These effects were reversible and were no longer evident 14 days after treatment, the end of the observation period for all animals. Slight opacity of the cornea, affecting the whole area, was noted in all animals at the 1- and 24-hour reading due to staining produced by the test item. Slight opacity of the cornea, affecting the whole area, was again visible in one animal 72 hours after treatment. No abnormal findings were observed in the iris of any animal at any of the examinations. No corrosion was observed at any of the measuring intervals. Brown staining of the treated eyes produced by the test item was observed in all animals 1 and 24 hours after treatment. No clinical signs were observed.

Thus, the test item did not induce significant or irreversible damage to the rabbit eye.

Animal number (sex)	Evaluation interval *	Corneal opacity	Area of corneal opacity	Iris	Conjunctivae		Sclera
					Redness	Chemosis	
76 (M)	1 hour	1 **	4	0	1	1	1
77 (F)		1 **	4	0	1	1	1
78 (F)		1 **	4	0	2	2	2
76 (M)	24 hours	1 **	4	0	1	2	1
77 (F)		1 **	4	0	2	2	2
78 (F)		1 **	4	0	2	2	0
76 (M)	48 hours	0	0	0	2	1	2
77 (F)		0	0	0	2	1	2
78 (F)		0	0	0	2	2	1
76 (M)	72 hours	0	0	0	2	2	3
77 (F)		1	4	0	2	1	2
78 (F)		0	0	0	2	1	1
76 (M)	7 days	0	0	0	1	0	0
77 (F)		0	0	0	1	0	0
78 (F)		0	0	0	1	0	0
76 (M)	10 days	0	0	0	0	0	0
77 (F)		0	0	0	0	0	0
78 (F)		0	0	0	1	0	0
76 (M)	14 days	0	0	0	0	0	0
77 (F)		0	0	0	0	0	0
78 (F)		0	0	0	0	0	0

* Examinations were performed at the specified times after instillation of the test item.

** Corneal opacity due to staining produced by the test item.

Conclusion

Under the conditions of the test, the study authors considered C009 to be not irritating to rabbit eye.

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3.3.3. Skin sensitisation

Local Lymph Node Assay (LLNA)

Guideline:	OECD 429 (2002)
Species:	Mice, CBA/CaOlaHsd; 32 females (nulliparous and non-pregnant)
Group:	test substance: 3 test and 1 control group; 4 females per group positive control: 3 test and 1 control group; 4 females per group
Substance:	C009
Batch:	12/13
Purity:	98.9% (HPLC)
Dose:	test substance: 5, 10 and 25% (w/v) in ethanol:water, 7:3 (v/v) positive control: 5, 10 and 25% (w/v) in acetone:olive oil, 4:1 (v/v)
Vehicle:	test substance: ethanol:water, 7:3 (v/v) positive control: acetone:olive oil, 4:1 (v/v)
Control:	α -hexylcinnamaldehyde
GLP:	in compliance
Study period:	5 – 19 May 2004

Three groups of four female mice were treated daily with the test item at concentrations of 5, 10 and 25% (w/v) in ethanol:water, 7:3 (v/v) by topical application to the dorsum of each ear lobe (left and right) for three consecutive days. 25% (w/v) was the highest technically applicable concentration in the chosen vehicle. A control group of four mice was treated with the vehicle only. Five days after the first topical application, the mice were injected intravenously into a tail vein with radio-labelled thymidine (^3H -methyl thymidine). Approximately five hours after intravenous injection, the mice were sacrificed, the draining auricular lymph nodes excised and pooled per group. Single cell suspensions of lymph node cells were prepared from pooled lymph nodes which were subsequently washed and incubated with trichloroacetic acid overnight. The proliferative capacity of pooled lymph node cells was determined by the incorporation of ^3H -methyl thymidine measured in a β -scintillation counter.

Results

All treated animals survived the scheduled study period. No clinical signs were observed. The results obtained (Stimulation Index (S.I.)) are reported in the following table. The estimated concentration of test item required to produce a S.I. of 3 is referred to as the EC3 value.

Concentration % (w/v)	Test substance	Positive control
5	1.6	1.5
10	2.6 *	2.3 *
25	5.3 *	8.4 *
EC3	12.2%	11.7%

*Value used for the calculation of EC3

Conclusion

The study authors considered C 009 to be a skin sensitizer under the conditions of the test. An EC3 value of 12.2% was derived.

Ref.: 9

Comment

Basic Brown 16 was shown to be a moderate skin sensitiser. However, the study is not properly performed. The test substance could have been tested in other vehicles and possibly at higher concentrations.

3.3.4. Dermal / percutaneous absorption

Guideline:	OECD 428 (2004)
Tissue:	dermatomed pig skin, 560 to 950 μm thickness
Group size:	2 donors (1 male, 1 female)
Diffusion cells:	8 static penetration cells (Franz-cells, 1.0 cm^2 application area) per experiment
Skin integrity:	transcutaneous electrical resistance (TER), TER \geq 7 k Ω
Test substance:	C009 (8[(E)-(4-aminophenyl)diazaryl]-7-hydroxy-N,N,N-trimethyl-naphthalen-2-aminium chloride)
Batch:	57861/2
Purity:	99.5% (area%, HPLC)
Test item:	experiment A: 2% C009 in a direct dye formulation TM0039-1a Experiment B: 2% C009 dissolved in water
Doses:	20 mg/cm ² , or 0.4 mg/cm ² of test substance
Receptor fluid:	Dulbecco's phosphate buffered saline (PBS)
Solubility receptor fluid:	assumed close to that of water (100 mg/ml)
Stability:	< 2% degradation in water over a 24h period
Method of Analysis:	HPLC
GLP:	in compliance

Date: 10 October – 6 December 2005

The test substance was studied as an ingredient of a representative direct dye formulation as well as in an aqueous solution:

Experiment A: 2 % C 009 incorporated in a direct dye cream.

Experiment B: 2 % C 009 dissolved in water.

Eight integrity checked dermatomed skin preparations of two young pigs of both sexes were used in each experiment. Skins were inserted in static penetration cells (Franz-cells) with an application area of 1.0 cm². The non-occlusive exposure under temperature controlled conditions lasted 30 minutes before rinsing.

The test substance formulation/solution was applied topically to the horny layer of the skin in nominal quantities of 20 mg/cm², which corresponded to nominally 0.4 mg of the test substance per cm² for each experiment.

48 hours after the application, the *stratum corneum* was removed by repeated stripping with adhesive tapes to obtain the adsorbed test substance. The remaining skin was taken to determine the absorbed test substance. The penetration was calculated from the mass of the test substance in the receptor fluid, consisting of phosphate buffered saline. The overall amount of bioavailable test substance is defined as the sum of absorbed and penetrated quantities.

Results

The means of test results are presented in the following table:

Parameter	Experiment A		Experiment B	
	µg/cm ²	%	µg/cm ²	%
Skin rinsings	310	82.8	250	58.9
Adsorption	9.9	2.67	9.6	2.27
Absorption	5.1	1.41	4.5	1.06
Penetration	0.055	0.0154	0.061	0.0144
Bioavailability	5.15 (2.19 – 9.12)	1.42 (0.58 – 2.91)	4.57 (3.76 – 5.80)	1.08 (0.89 – 1.37)
Mass balance *	/	87.1	/	62.6

* These low values, slightly below the official required minimum of 85% recovery, are due to the persistency of the test substance bound to the pads and filters.

The individual test results are presented in the following tables:

Experiment A: 2% C009 in a direct dye formulation TM0039-1a

Skin sample	µg/cm ²								Mean
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Adsorption	11.936	11.889	9.078	7.885	11.885	6.029	12.729	7.998	9.9 ± 2.5
Absorption	2.732	7.390	4.030	2.139	5.150	4.460	8.990	5.860	5.1 ± 2.3
Penetration	0.043	0.064	0.009	0.048	0.030	0.043	0.134	0.066	0.055 ± 0.037
Bioavailability	2.775	7.454	4.039	2.187	5.180	4.503	9.124	5.926	5.15 ± 2.32
Skin rinsings	375.26	294.06	312.64	324.23	309.27	312.62	245.01	307.14	310 ± 36

Skin sample	%								Mean
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Adsorption	2.8172	3.2345	2.4221	2.0737	2.8916	1.6734	4.0637	2.2086	2.67 ± 0.75
Absorption	0.6447	2.0106	1.0753	0.5627	1.2530	1.2378	2.8701	1.6182	1.41 ± 0.76
Penetration	0.0102	0.0174	0.0025	0.0126	0.0073	0.0120	0.0429	0.0183	0.015 ± 0.012
Bioavailability	0.6549	2.0280	1.0777	0.5752	1.2604	1.2498	2.9130	1.6366	1.42 ± 0.77
Skin rinsings	88.570	80.003	83.417	85.273	75.246	86.764	78.218	84.818	82.8 ± 4.6
Balance	92.101	85.365	87.060	88.027	79.554	89.899	85.771	88.710	87.1 ± 3.7

Experiment B: 2% C009 dissolved in water

Skin sample	$\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$								Mean
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Adsorption	11.483	13.274	13.628	10.935	10.718	5.159	6.734	5.251	9.6 ± 3.4
Absorption	4.622	3.718	4.960	3.960	5.710	4.866	3.978	4.259	4.5 ± 0.7
Penetration	0.027	0.047	0.090	0.041	0.090	0.061	0.064	0.070	0.061 ± 0.022
Bioavailability	4.649	3.765	5.049	4.002	5.800	4.927	4.043	4.329	4.57 ± 0.67
Skin rinsings	291.39	251.72	256.16	246.42	245.92	257.04	233.20	219.19	250 ± 21

Skin sample	%								Mean
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Adsorption	2.7080	3.1458	3.1982	2.5788	2.5398	1.2107	1.5503	1.2504	2.27 ± 0.82
Absorption	1.0899	0.8811	1.1639	0.9340	1.3532	1.1419	0.9158	1.0143	1.06 ± 0.16
Penetration	0.0063	0.0111	0.0211	0.0097	0.0214	0.0143	0.0148	0.0166	0.014 ± 0.005
Bioavailability	1.0962	0.8922	1.1850	0.9437	1.3746	1.1562	0.9306	1.0309	1.08 ± 0.16
Skin rinsings	68.716	59.652	60.115	58.112	58.277	60.322	53.685	52.199	58.9 ± 5.0
Balance	72.730	64.034	64.703	61.723	62.712	62.916	56.618	54.755	62.5 ± 5.4

Conclusion

In the direct dye formulation, the amount considered to be absorbed was $5.15 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ (range 2.19 to 9.12) or 1.42% of the applied dose (range 0.58% to 2.91%).

At 2% dissolved in water, the amount considered to be absorbed was $4.57 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ (range 3.76 to 5.80) or 1.08% of the applied dose (range 0.89% to 1.38).

Ref.: 17

Comment

As too few test chambers (8 chambers from 2 donors) were used in this study, the A_{\max} of $9.12 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ should be used for calculating the MOS.

3.3.5. Repeated dose toxicity

3.3.5.1. Repeated Dose (28 days) oral / dermal / inhalation toxicity

No data submitted

3.3.5.2. Sub-chronic (90 days) oral / dermal / inhalation toxicity

Taken from SCCNFP/0668/03

Guideline: OECD 408
 Species: Sprague Dawley CD rat
 Route: oral
 Group size: 10 male and 10 female
 Material: commercial grade Basic Brown 16 in aqueous solution
 Batch: KS6024
 Purity: not stated (according to batch information, only 65.7% dye content according to NMR)
 Dose levels: 0, 50, 150 and 450 mg/kg bw/day in a volume of 10 ml/kg
 Exposure: 5 days per week for 13 weeks
 GLP: in compliance
 Date: 7 May – 12 September 1984

Basic Brown 16, in aqueous solution, was administered by oral gavage 5 days per week to groups of 10 male and 10 female rats at doses of 50, 150 and 450 mg/kg bw/day for 13 weeks. An additional 5 males and 5 females were treated at the same doses then maintained without treatment for observation in a 4-week recovery period. Controls received the vehicle only. The following investigations were performed: daily observations,

bodyweights, food consumption, ophthalmoscopy, haematology and clinical chemistry, urinalysis, gross pathological examination, organ weight determination and histopathology.

Results

The dose of 450mg/kg bw/day resulted in a marked decrease in body weight gain for both male and female animals. The decrease in males was significant from the first week of treatment and resulted in a mean bodyweight of 87% of controls at the termination. In females, the decrease was significant from week 6, with a mean bodyweight of 93% of controls at termination.

Additional signs of toxicity at the high dose were abnormal gait, abdominal position and neurotoxic symptoms. Macroscopic and histological evaluation revealed discolouration of the inner organs. At 150 mg/kg bw/day, there was a decrease in body weight gain in male animals (again from week 1, with a terminal mean bodyweight of 93% of control), but no other toxicological effects were reported. Coloured urine was excreted by animals treated with 150 and 450 mg/kg, throughout the treatment period.

Conclusion

The dose of 50 mg/kg bw/day was tolerated without any signs of adverse effects and is regarded to be the NOAEL.

Ref.: 15

Comment

As the dye content of the test substance is only 65.7%, the NOAEL value is re-calculated to be 33 mg/kg/bw/day.

3.3.5.3. Chronic (> 12 months) toxicity

No data submitted

3.3.6. Mutagenicity / Genotoxicity

3.3.6.1 Mutagenicity / Genotoxicity *in vitro*

Bacterial Reverse Mutation Test

Guideline:	OECD 471 (1997)
Species/strain:	<i>Salmonella typhimurium</i> TA98, TA100, TA102, TA1535 and TA1537
Replicates:	triplicates in 2 individual experiments both in the presence and absence of S9-mix.
Test substance:	C 009
Solvent:	deionised water
Batch:	57861/2
Purity:	98.8 %
Concentrations:	Experiment I: 0, 3, 10, 33, 100, 333, 1000, 2500 and 5000 µg/plate without and with S9-mix for TA98 and TA100 0, 1, 3, 10, 33, 100, 333, 1000 and 2500 µg/plate without and with S9-mix for TA102, TA1535 and TA1537 Experiment II: 0, 3, 10, 33, 100, 333, 1000, 2500 and 5000 µg/plate without and with S9-mix.
Treatment:	Experiment I: direct plate incorporation without and with S9-mix Experiment II: pre-incubation method with 60 minutes pre-incubation and at least 48 h incubation without and with S9-mix
GLP:	in compliance
Study period:	17 February – 15 March 2005

C 009 was investigated for the induction of gene mutations in *Salmonella typhimurium* (Ames test). Liver S9 fraction from phenobarbital/β-naphthoflavone-induced rats was used as exogenous metabolic activation system. Test concentrations were based on the results of a pre-experiment for toxicity and mutation induction with strains TA98 and TA100 both without and with S9-mix. Toxicity was evaluated for 8 concentrations up to the prescribed maximum concentration of 5000 µg/plate on the basis of a reduction in the number of revertant colonies and/or clearing of the bacterial background lawn. Since in this pre-experiment evaluable plates were obtained for five concentrations or more in all strains used, the pre-experiment is reported as experiment I. Experiment I was performed with the direct plate incorporation method; experiment II with the pre-incubation method. Negative and positive controls were in accordance with the OECD guideline.

Results

Toxic effects evident as reduction in the number of revertants were observed at the higher doses without and with S9-mix in both experiments for all strains. In experiment II, a more or less dose dependent increase in the number of revertants was seen up to the toxic dose in TA98 and TA1537 in the presence of metabolic activation. Except for these two positive findings a biologically relevant increase in revertant colonies was not found in any other tester strain.

Conclusion

Under the experimental conditions used C 009 was mutagenic in this gene mutation tests in bacteria in strains TA98 and TA1537 in the presence of metabolic activation.

Ref.: 10

In vitro Mammalian Cell Gene Mutation Test (*tk*-locus)

Guideline:	OECD 476
Cells:	L5178Y Mouse lymphoma cells
Replicates:	duplicates in 2 independent experiments
Test substance:	C 009
Solvent:	deionised water
Batch:	57861/2
Purity:	98.8 %
Concentrations:	Experiment I: 0, 27.5, 55, 110, 165 and 220 µg/ml without S9-mix 0, 55, 110, 165, 220 and 330 µg/plate with S9-mix Experiment II: 0, 55, 110, 165, 220 and 330 µg/plate with S9-mix
Treatment	4 h treatment without and with S9-mix; expression period 72 h and selection period of 10-15 days
GLP:	in compliance
Study period:	8 February – 11 April 2005

C009 was assayed for gene mutations at the *tk* locus of mouse lymphoma cells both in the absence and presence of S9 metabolic activation. Liver S9 fraction from phenobarbital/β-naphthoflavone-induced rats was used as exogenous metabolic activation system. Test concentrations were based on the results of a pre-test on toxicity measuring relative suspension growth. In the main tests, cells were treated for 4 h followed by an expression period of 72 h to fix the DNA damage into a stable *tk* mutation. Toxicity was measured in the main experiments as percentage relative total growth of the treated cultures relative to the total growth of the solvent control cultures. To discriminate between large (indicative for mutagenic effects) and small colonies (indicative for a clastogenic effect) colony sizing was performed. Negative and positive controls were in accordance with the OECD guideline.

Results

The recommended toxic range of approximately 10-20 % survival compared to the concurrent negative controls was covered in all experiments.

In experiment I without metabolic activation a dose dependent and biologically relevant increase in the mutant frequency was observed. This increase appeared to be the result of an increase in the number of small colonies. In experiment I with metabolic activation an increase in the mutant frequency was found in one of two cultures. Nor in the second culture of experiment I nor in experiment II with metabolic activation this positive finding could be confirmed.

Conclusion

Under the experimental conditions used, C 009 induced mutations in mammalian cells in the absence of metabolic activation. The results indicate clastogenic potential of C009, because of the induction of small colonies.

Ref.: 11

*In Vitro Gene Mutation Test in V79 cells (*hprt* locus)*

Guideline:	/
Cells:	V79 cells
Replicates:	triplicates in 2 independent experiments
Test substance:	Arianor Mahogany (Basic Brown 16)
Solvent:	phosphate buffered saline
Batch no.:	KS 6024, Williams
Purity:	73.1 % (as chloride)
Concentrations:	0, 5, 19, 20, 50 and 100 µg/ml without S9-mix. 0, 100, 300, 1000, 3000 and 6000 µg/plate with S9-mix
Treatment	2 h treatment with S9-mix or 20 h without S9-mix; expression period 5 days and selection period of 7 days
GLP:	in compliance
Study period:	21 March – 20 July 1991

Arianor Mahogany was assayed for gene mutations at the *hprt* locus of V79 cells both in the absence and presence of S9 metabolic activation. Liver S9 fraction from Aroclor-induced rats was used as exogenous metabolic activation system. Test concentrations were based on the results of an initial toxicity test measuring cell survival 5 days after treatment. In the main tests, cells were treated for 2h with S9-mix or for 20h without S9-mix followed by an expression period of 5 days to fix the DNA damage into stable *hprt* mutations. Data on toxicity were restricted to those on cloning efficiency after the selection period. Negative and positive controls were included.

Results

The data on clonings efficiency after the selection period did not indicate strong cytotoxicity; the required 10-20% survival after the highest dose was not reached at any concentration. In both experiments a biologically relevant and dose dependent increase in the mutant frequency was not observed, neither in the presence nor in the absence of metabolic activation. Occasionally, an increase in mutant frequency was found; these were not reproducible and considered not biologically relevant.

Conclusion

Under the experimental conditions used, Arianor Mahogany did not induce gene mutations in this gene mutation test in mammalian cells and, consequently, Arianor Mahogany is not mutagenic in V79 cells.

Ref.: 12

Comment

As data on toxicity are restricted to those on cloning efficiency after the selection period and thus reliable data on exposure are lacking, the value of this gene mutation test in mammalian cells is limited.

In vitro Micronucleus Test

Guideline: draft OECD 487 and accepted scientific/regulatory principles of OECD 487
 Cells: V79 cells
 Replicates: duplicate cultures
 Test substance: C 009
 Solvent: deionised water
 Batch: 57861/2
 Purity: 98.8 %
 Concentrations: 0, 450, 900, 1800 and 3600 µg/ml without S9-mix
 0, 450, 900 and 1800 µg/ml with S9-mix
 Treatment: 4 h treatment; harvest time 24 hours after the beginning of treatment
 GLP: in compliance
 Study period: 19 April – 21 June 2005

C 009 has been investigated in the absence and presence of metabolic activation for the induction of micronuclei in V79 cells. Liver S9 fraction from phenobarbital/β-naphthoflavone-induced rats was used as exogenous metabolic activation system. A pre-test on cell growth inhibition (XTT assay) with 4 h treatment was performed in order to determine the toxicity of C 009, the solubility during exposure and thus the test concentrations for the main micronucleus test. The highest concentration should produce clear toxicity with reduced cell growth. The treatment period in the main test was 4 h without and with S9-mix. Harvest time was 24 hours after the beginning of culture. In parallel to the micronucleus test, for assessment of cytotoxicity a XTT test was carried out. Negative and positive controls were in accordance with the draft guideline.

Results

Both in the pre-test and the main test precipitation of C 009 was observed with 1800 µg/ml and above in the presence and absence of S9-mix. Clear toxic effects indicated by reduced cell numbers below 40% of control were observed after 4 h treatment with 3600 µg/ml in the absence of S9-mix and with 1800 µg/ml in the presence of S9-mix. The XTT test did not point to cytotoxicity up to the highest dose tested (3600 µg/ml).

In the absence of S9-mix a biologically relevant but not dose dependent increase in cells with micronuclei was observed. The number of micronucleated V79 cells slightly exceeded the historical control data range. In the presence of S9-mix a clear dose dependent and biologically relevant increase in micronucleated cells was observed.

Conclusion

Under the experimental conditions used C 009 induced an increase in micronucleated cells and, consequently, is clastogenic and/or aneuploid in V79 cells.

Ref.: 13

Comment

Since C 009 was genotoxic after 4h treatment, a second experiment was not required according to international guidelines.

3.3.6.2	Mutagenicity/Genotoxicity <i>in vivo</i>
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Mammalian Erythrocyte Micronucleus Test

Guideline: OECD 474
 Species/strain: NMRI
 Group size: 5 mice/sex/group
 Test substance: C 009
 Batch: 57861/2

Purity: 98.8 %
 Dose level: 0, 18.75, 37.5 and 75 mg/kg bw
 Route: i.p.
 Vehicle: deionised water
 Sacrifice times: 24 h after treatment for all concentrations, 48 h for the high dose only
 GLP: in compliance
 Study period: 25 July – 27 September 2005

C 009 has been investigated for the induction of micronuclei in bone marrow cells of mice. Test concentrations were based in a pre-experiment on acute toxicity at various intervals of 1, 2-4, 6, 24, 30 and 48 h after start of treatment. In the main experiment mice were exposed i.p. to 0, 18.75, 37.5 and 75 mg/kg bw. Bone marrow cells were collected 24 h or 48 h (high dose only) after dosing. Toxicity and thus exposure of the target cells was determined by measuring the ratio between polychromatic and total erythrocytes (PCE/TE). The mice of the high dose group were examined for acute toxic symptoms at intervals of around 1, 2-4, 6 and 24 h after treatment. Bone marrow preparations were stained with May-Grünwald/Giemsa and examined microscopically for the PCE/TE ratio and micronuclei. Negative and positive controls were in accordance with the OECD guideline.

Results

In the a pre-experiment on acute toxicity with exposure up to 100 mg/kg bw C 009, reduction of spontaneous activity, ruffled fur and dark red-brown urine was found up to 6 h after administration. In the main experiment identical toxic signs were found at the highest doses.

Treatment with C 009 did not result in a decreased PCE/TCE ratios compared to the untreated controls indicating that C 009 had no cytotoxic properties in the bone marrow. However, the acute signs observed indicate systemic availability of C 009.

A statistical significant increase in the number of cells with micronuclei was found in the low and high dose groups after 24 h exposure. However, these values are well within the historical control range and thus do not bear a biological relevance.

Conclusion

Under the experimental conditions used C 009 did not induce a biological relevant increase in the number of micronucleated PCEs in bone marrow cells of treated mice and, consequently, C 009 is not clastogenic and/or aneuploidogenic in bone marrow cells of mice.

Ref.: 14

3.3.7. Carcinogenicity

No data submitted

3.3.8. Reproductive toxicity

3.3.8.1. Two generation reproduction toxicity

No data submitted

3.3.8.2. Teratogenicity

Guideline: OECD 414 (2001)
 Species/strain: Rat, Han Wistar, HsdBrl: female
 Group size: 25 per dose
 Test substance: C009
 Batch: 12/13
 Purity: 98.9% (according to batch information, only 65.7% dye content according to NMR)

Dose: 0, 45, 90, 180 ml/kg bw/day
 Solvent: Distilled water
 Route: Oral gavage, 10 ml/kg bw/day
 Exposure: Gestation Day (GD) 5 - 19
 GLP: in compliance
 Date: 15 July – 9 August 2005

Gestation Day (GD) 0 or mating day was considered as either the presence of sperm in the vaginal smear or by the presence of a copulation plug. Doses were based on the results of the previously performed studies (not identified). The animals were observed daily; clinical signs and deaths were recorded. Body weight gain was recorded on GD 0, 5, 9, 12, 15 and 20. The dams were killed on GD 20 for *post mortem*. The number of alive and dead foetuses, their distribution and site in the uterus, early and late resorption, implantation and number of corpora lutea was determined. The weight of the foetuses, gravid uteri, uteri without foetuses, placentae and the sex of foetuses were recorded. Approximately one-half of the foetuses were selected at random and examined for visceral alterations. The remaining foetuses were examined for skeletal malformations, variations and retardation of the normal organogenesis after appropriate staining.

Results

No mortality occurred during the study. Three females, two in the control and one in the low dose group were found not pregnant. One female in the low dose group showed unilateral total resorption. In addition, two females, one in the control group and one in the mid-dose group, showed unilateral implantation. On GD 20 there were 23 females with live foetuses in the control and low dose groups and 25 in the mid and high dose groups.

Brown staining on the skin and tail was observed in the high dose group and the cage tray was stained a light pink. These were considered to be a direct result of the colour of the test substance and of no biological relevance.

Daily pre- and post-dose observations showed no treatment-related reactions. No significant differences were noted in terminal body weight, uterus weight and absolute weight gain between control and treated groups. However, on GD 9, body weight gain in the high dose group showed a statistically significant reduction compared with controls.

No treatment-related macroscopic changes were seen in dosed females.

Small foetuses, 37 in total, were found in all groups (control group 4, low dose group 6, mid-dose group 11, high-dose group 16). Statistically significant lower mean foetal weight was noted in the high dose group compared with the controls but this was considered to be due to the higher incidence of small foetuses in the high dose group. There was also an increased frequency of total implantation loss in the high dose group. However, this was not considered of toxicological relevance since these were mainly pre-implantation losses that could have been influenced by the factors prior to the treatment.

Acephaly was noted in one mid-dose foetus. In addition, another foetus from the same litter showed enlarged brain ventricles. These were considered to be incidental or spontaneous in origin.

The reduced ossification of some bones were found in a few foetuses of in all litters of treated groups, but were minimal and not dose-related. However, three foetuses from two high dose litters showed no ossification of pubis, considered to be malformations. The study authors suggested these were related to the lower foetal weight (from 30 to 47%) compared with control mean foetal weight.

Conclusion

At the high dosage of 180 mg/kg bw/day, C009 caused slight maternal toxicity as indicated by the reduction in body weight gain on GD 9 when compared with controls. As a consequence of the maternal toxicity, a mean reduced foetal weight was observed and a delay in the ossification of some bones was noted at the skeletal examination.

Neither embryotoxic nor teratogenic effects of C009 has been found in rats under the study conditions.

The NOAEL both for maternal and embryo foetal toxicity was considered to be 90 mg/kg

bw/day.

Ref.: 16

Comment

As the dye content of the test substance is only 65.7%, the NOAEL value is re-calculated to 59 mg/kg bw/day.

3.3.9. Toxicokinetics

No data submitted

3.3.10. Photo-induced toxicity

No data submitted

3.3.11. Human data

No data submitted

3.3.12. Special investigations

No data submitted

3.3.13. Safety evaluation (including calculation of the MoS)

CALCULATION OF THE MARGIN OF SAFETY

Not applicable

3.3.14. Discussion

Physico-chemical properties

Basic Brown 16 is used as a direct dye for hair colouring products without mixing with an oxidising agent (e.g. hydrogen peroxide). The final concentration on head of Basic Brown 16 can be up to 2.0%.

Calculated values of Log P_{ow} cannot be accepted as an estimate of the true physical constant without justification.

At least 10 additional non-identified impurities were detected by HPLC, which were not characterised. Methylbromide is classified by the EU as mutagenic category 3; methylchloride is classified by the EU as carcinogenic category 3

The stability data of Basic Brown 16 in the test solutions and in the marketed product is not reported. The cleavage of the azo-group may release para-phenylenediamine (PPD)

General toxicity

The acute median lethal oral dose (LD₅₀) of Basic Brown 16 was reported to be between 2 and 4 g/kg bw.

In a 90-day rat study, the NOAEL was considered to be 50 mg/kg bw/day, based on decreased body weight gain and some neurotoxic symptoms in both sexes. This value was re-calculated to 33 mg/kg bw/day based on the dye content of the test substance.

The NOAEL both for maternal and embryo-foetal toxicity was considered to be 90 mg/kg bw/day. This value was re-calculated to 59 mg/kg bw/day based on the dye content of the test substance.

Irritation / sensitisation

Under the conditions of the test, Basic Brown 16 was considered not to be irritating to rabbit skin and eye.

Basic Brown 16 was a moderate skin sensitizer under the conditions of the test. An EC3 value of 12.2% was derived. However, the study was not properly performed. The test substance could have been tested in other vehicles and possibly at higher concentrations.

Dermal absorption

The amount considered to be absorbed the direct dye formulation was 5.15 µg/cm² (range 2.19 to 9.12) or 1.42% of the applied dose (range 0.58% to 2.91%). At 2% dissolved in water, the amount considered to be absorbed was 4.57 µg/cm² (range 3.76 to 5.80) or 1.08% of the applied dose (range 0.89% to 1.38). As too few test chambers (8 chambers from 2 donors) were used in this study, the A_{max} of 9.12 µg/cm² may be used for calculating the MOS.

Mutagenicity / genotoxicity

Overall, the genotoxicity of Basic Brown 16 was investigated for the three endpoints of genotoxicity: gene mutations, chromosome aberrations and aneuploidy.

Basic Brown 16 did induce gene mutations in bacteria. In a mouse lymphoma assay mutant frequency at the *tk* locus was increased but decreased in a second *in vitro* gene mutation assay at the *hprt* locus. This discrepancy may be explained by the fact that the increase in the mouse lymphoma assay was due to an increase in small colonies which in turn is indicative for a clastogenic effect of C 009. The positive *in vitro* micronucleus test confirmed the clastogenic potency of C 009.

Clastogenicity found *in vitro* could not be confirmed *in vivo*. Basic Brown 16 did not induce micronuclei in an *in vivo* micronucleus test in erythrocytes of mice. However, the positive findings of the gene mutation test in bacteria remains.

Therefore, to reach a definitive conclusion on the genotoxicity of Basic Brown 16, the potential to induce gene mutations has to be excluded.

Carcinogenicity

No data submitted

4. CONCLUSION

The SCCP is of the opinion that the information submitted is insufficient to allow a final risk assessment to be carried out.

To reach a definitive conclusion on the genotoxicity of Basic Brown 16, the potential to induce gene mutations has to be excluded.

Basic Brown 16 is a skin sensitisier.

5. MINORITY OPINION

Not applicable

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