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# PUBLIC REPORT

# Cyclohexanecarboxylic acid, 4-methyl-2-oxo-, ethyl ester

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# **SUMMARY**

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

ASSESSMENT REFERENCE	APPLICANT	CHEMICAL OR TRADE NAME	HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL	INTRODUCTION VOLUME	USE
STD/1707	International Flavours and Fragrances (Australia) Pty Ltd	Cyclohexanecarboxylic acid, 4-methyl-2-oxo-, ethyl ester	Yes	≤ 5 tonnes per annum	Fragrance ingredient

# **CONCLUSIONS AND REGULATORY OBLIGATIONS**

### **Hazard Classification**

Based on the available information, the notified chemical is a hazardous chemical according to the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS)*, as adopted for industrial chemicals in Australia. The hazard classification applicable to the notified chemical is presented in the following table.

Hazard Classification	Hazard Statement
Skin Sensitisation (Category 1B)	H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction

The environmental hazard classification according to the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals* (GHS) is presented below. Environmental classification under the GHS is not mandated in Australia and carries no legal status but is presented for information purposes.

Hazard Classification	Hazard Statement
Chronic (Category 3)	H412 - Harmful to aquatic life long lasting effects

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

### **Environmental Risk Assessment**

On the basis of the PEC/PNEC ratio and the reported use pattern, the notified chemical is not considered to pose an unreasonable risk to the environment.

# Recommendations

REGULATORY CONTROLS

Hazard Classification and Labelling

- The notified chemical should be classified as follows:
  - Skin Sensitisation (Category 1B): H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction

The above should be used for products/mixtures containing the notified chemical, if applicable, based on the concentration of the notified chemical present.

# Health Surveillance

• As the notified chemical is a skin sensitiser, employers should carry out health surveillance for any worker who has been identified in the workplace risk assessment as having a significant risk of skin sensitisation.

#### CONTROL MEASURES

# Occupational Health and Safety

• A person conducting a business or undertaking at a workplace should implement the following engineering controls to minimise occupational exposure to the notified chemical during reformulation:

- Enclosed/automated processes
- Local exhaust ventilation
- A person conducting a business or undertaking at a workplace should implement the following safe work practices to minimise occupational exposure during handling of the notified chemical for reformulation:
  - Avoid contact with skin
  - Avoid inhaling aerosols or mists
- A person conducting a business or undertaking at a workplace should ensure that the following personal
  protective equipment is used by workers to minimise occupational exposure to the notified chemical
  during reformulation:
  - Impervious gloves
  - Protective clothing
  - Respiratory protection if aerosols or mists are expected to be generated

Guidance in selection of personal protective equipment can be obtained from Australian, Australian/New Zealand or other approved standards.

- 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 containment, physical collection and subsequent safe disposal.

### Disposal

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

### Storage

• The handling and storage of the notified chemical should be in accordance with the Safe Work Australia Code of Practice for *Managing Risks of Hazardous Chemicals in the Workplace* (SWA, 2012) or relevant State or Territory Code of Practice.

# **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(1) of the Act; if
  - the final use concentration of the notified chemical exceeds 0.9% in deodorants, 2% in leave-on cosmetics, 1% in fine fragrances, 17% in leave-on hair products or 30% in rinse-off cosmetics and household products;

or

- (2) Under Section 64(2) of the Act; if
  - the function or use of the chemical has changed from a fragrance ingredient, 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 and a product containing the notified chemical provided by the notifier were 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(S)

International Flavours and Fragrances (Australia) Pty Ltd (ABN: 77 004 269 658)

310 Frankston-Dandenong Road

**DANDENONG VIC 3175** 

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 varied for hydrolysis as a function of pH and dissociation constant.

PREVIOUS NOTIFICATION IN AUSTRALIA BY APPLICANT(S)

None

NOTIFICATION IN OTHER COUNTRIES

China, EU and Philippines

# 2. IDENTITY OF CHEMICAL

MARKETING NAME(S)

Toffeetone

CAS NUMBER

13537-82-1

CHEMICAL NAME

Cyclohexanecarboxylic acid, 4-methyl-2-oxo-, ethyl ester

OTHER NAME(S)

4-Methyl-2-oxo-cyclohexanecarboxylic acid ethyl ester

FRET 13-0545 (code in study reports)

MOLECULAR FORMULA

 $C_{10}H_{16}O_3$ 

STRUCTURAL FORMULA

MOLECULAR WEIGHT

184.23 g/mol

ANALYTICAL DATA

Reference NMR, IR, GC-MS, UV-VIS spectra were provided.

# 3. COMPOSITION

DEGREE OF PURITY

93.2%

#### HAZARDOUS IMPURITIES/RESIDUAL MONOMERS

Chemical Name Cyclohexanone, 3-methyl-

*CAS No.* 591-24-2 *Weight %* ~ 2.8

Hazardous Properties\* H226 - Flammable liquid and vapour

H302 – Harmful if swallowed H312 – Harmful in contact with skin H315 – Causes skin irritation H319 – Causes serious eye irritation

H332 - Harmful if inhaled

H335 – May cause respiratory irritation H336 – May cause drowsiness or dizziness

NON HAZARDOUS IMPURITIES/RESIDUAL MONOMERS (> 1% BY WEIGHT)

Chemical Name Cyclohexanecarboxylic acid, 2-methyl-6-oxo-, ethyl ester

*CAS No.* 58019-68-4 *Weight* % ~ 4

ADDITIVES/ADJUVANTS

None

### 4. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

APPEARANCE AT 20 °C AND 101.3 kPa: Liquid

Property	Value	Data Source/Justification
Melting Point/Freezing Point	<-80 °C	Measured
Boiling Point	244.6 °C at 98.9 kPa	Measured
Density	$1,040 \text{ kg/m}^3 \text{ at } 20 ^{\circ}\text{C}$	Measured
Vapour Pressure	$2.8 \times 10^{-2}$ kPa at 25 °C	Measured
Water Solubility	2.56 g/L at 20 °C	Measured
Hydrolysis as a Function of pH	Not determined	Expected to slowly hydrolyse in the environment pH of 4-9
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)	log Pow = 4.36 at 30 °C	Measured
Adsorption/Desorption	$\log K_{oc} = 3.16$ at 30 °C	Measured
Dissociation Constant	Not determined	No dissociable functionality
Surface Tension	69.1 mN/m at 20 °C	Measured
Flash Point	106 °C at 100.7 kPa	Measured
Flammability	Not determined	Not expected to be highly flammable
•		based on the measure flash point
Autoignition Temperature	230 °C at 102.2 – 102.38 kPa	Measured
Explosive Properties	Predicted negative	Based on the chemical structure
Oxidising Properties	Predicted negative	Based on the chemical structure

# DISCUSSION OF PROPERTIES

For 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.

The notified chemical has a flash point of 106 °C which is greater than 93 °C. Based on *Australian Standard AS1940* definitions for combustible liquid, the notified chemical may be considered as a Class C2 combustible liquid if the chemical has a flash point below the boiling point.

<sup>\*</sup> From ECHA C&L Inventory

### 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 into Australia as a component of fragrance oil formulations at  $\leq 10\%$  concentration.

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

Year	1	2	3	4	5
Tonnes	1	1	1	3	5

PORT OF ENTRY Melbourne

#### **IDENTITY OF RECIPIENTS**

International Flavours and Fragrances (Australia) Pty Ltd

### TRANSPORTATION AND PACKAGING

The notified chemical will be imported as a component of fragrance oil formulations in 208 L polypropylene lined steel drums. Within Australia the drums will be transported mainly by road to the warehouse for storage and later distributed to the formulators by road for reformulation. Finished consumer products containing the notified chemical will be transported primarily by road to retail stores in packages suitable for retail sale.

#### Use

The notified chemical will be used as a fragrance ingredient in cosmetic and household products. The proposed maximum use concentration of the notified chemical in various consumer products will be:

Finished consumer product	Maximum proposed use concentration (%)
Body lotion, face cream and hand cream	1
Fine fragrance	1
Deodorant	0.5
Other cosmetic (such as hair spray, hair styling products, makeup remover)	2
Rinse-off personal care such as shampoo, shower gel, hand wash soap and facial cleanser)	5
Household products	5

# OPERATION DESCRIPTION

# Reformulation

Reformulation of fragrance oil formulations containing the notified chemical at  $\leq$  10% concentration into finished consumer goods may vary depending on the type of product and may involve both automated and manual transfer steps. Typically, reformulation processes may incorporate blending operations that are highly automated and occur in a fully enclosed/contained environment, followed by automated filling of the reformulated end-use products into containers of various sizes.

#### End-use

End-use products containing the notified chemical at  $\leq 5\%$  concentration will be used by consumers and professionals such as hairdressers, beauticians or cleaners. Depending on the nature of the product, these could be applied in a number of ways, such as by hand, using an applicator or sprayed.

#### 6. HUMAN HEALTH IMPLICATIONS

# 6.1. Exposure Assessment

### 6.1.1. Occupational Exposure

CATEGORY OF WORKERS

Category of Worker	Exposure Duration (hours/day)	Exposure Frequency (days/year)
Transport and storage	Incidental	250
Mixing and compounding	4	250
Drum handlers	1	250
Drum cleaners	2	250
Equipment cleaners	2	250
Quality control	1	250
Professional end users	8	250

#### **EXPOSURE DETAILS**

### Transport and storage

Transport, storage and warehouse workers may come into contact with the notified chemical as a component of fragrance formulations at  $\leq 10\%$  concentration, only in the unlikely event of accidental rupture of containers.

### Reformulation

During reformulation, dermal and ocular exposure of workers to the notified chemical at  $\leq$  10% concentration may occur during weighing and transfer stages, blending, quality control analysis, and cleaning and maintenance of equipment. Due to the notified chemical's low vapour pressure (2.8 × 10<sup>-2</sup> kPa at 25 °C), inhalation exposure is not expected, unless aerosols or mists are formed.

The notifier stated that exposure is expected to be minimised through the use of local exhaust ventilation and/or enclosed systems, and through the use of personal protective equipment (PPE) such as protective clothing, goggles, impervious gloves and respiratory protection (in cases where there is inadequate ventilation).

### End-use

Exposure to the notified chemical in end-use products at  $\leq 5\%$  concentration may occur in professions where the services provided involve the application of cosmetics to clients (e.g. hair dressers and workers in beauty salons), or the use of household cleaning products in the cleaning industry. The principal route of exposure will be dermal, while ocular exposure and inhalation exposure are also possible. Such professionals may use some PPE to minimise repeated exposure, and good hygiene practices are expected to be in place. If PPE is used, exposure of such workers is expected to be of a similar or lesser extent than that experienced by consumers using the products containing the notified chemical.

# 6.1.2. Public Exposure

There will be widespread and repeated exposure to the notified chemical at  $\leq$  5% concentration through the use of a wide range of cosmetic and household products. The main route of exposure will be dermal, while ocular and inhalation exposure are also possible, particularly if products are applied by spray.

### 6.2. Human Health Effects Assessment

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

Endpoint	Result and Assessment Conclusion
Acute oral toxicity – rat	LD50 > 2,000 mg/kg bw; low toxicity
Acute dermal toxicity – rat	LD50 > 2,000  mg/kg bw; low toxicity
Acute inhalation toxicity – rat	LC50 > 5  mg/L/4 hour; low toxicity
Skin corrosion – <i>in vitro</i> EpiDerm model	non-corrosive
Skin irritation – <i>in vitro</i> EpiSkin model	non-irritating
Eye irritation – <i>in vitro</i> bovine corneal opacity and	non-irritating
permeability (BCOP) test	
Skin sensitisation – mouse local lymph node assay	evidence of sensitisation (EC3 = $82\%$ )

Endpoint	Result and Assessment Conclusion
Skin Sensitisation – human repeated insult patch	no evidence of sensitisation
test (HRIPT) (10%)	
Repeat dose oral toxicity – rat, 28 days	NOAEL = 12,500  ppm  (917/869  mg/kg bw/day  (m/f))
Mutagenicity – bacterial reverse mutation	non mutagenic
Genotoxicity – <i>in vitro</i> chromosomal aberration test	non genotoxic
in human lymphocytes	-

#### **Toxicokinetics**

No information on the toxicokinetics of the notified chemical was provided. For dermal absorption, molecular weights less than 100 g/mol favour dermal uptake and molecular weights above 500 g/mol do not favour absorption (ECHA, 2017). Substances with water solubility between 0.1-10 g/L and partition coefficients (log Pow) between 1-4 are likely to have moderate to high dermal absorption, although with log Pow values above 4 the rate of penetration through the skin may be limited by the rate of transfer between the stratum corneum and the epidermis (ECHA, 2017). Based on the low molecular weight (< 500 g/mol), water solubility (2.56 g/L at 20 °C) and partition coefficient (log Pow = 4.36) of the notified chemical, there is potential for the chemical to cross biological membranes.

#### Acute Toxicity

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

#### Irritation

In two *in vitro* skin corrosion and skin irritation studies, the notified chemical was found to be non-corrosive and non-irritating.

In an *in vitro* eye irritation test, the notified chemical was determined to not require classification for eye irritation.

#### Sensitisation

The notified chemical was found to be a weak skin sensitiser in a mouse Local Lymph Node Assay (LLNA) with stimulation indices of 1.18, 1.66 and 3.75 at 25, 50 and 100% concentrations, respectively. The EC3 value was calculated to be 82%.

The notified chemical (at 10% concentration) was found to be negative in a human repeated insult patch test.

### Repeated Dose Toxicity

A repeated dose oral (diet) toxicity study on the notified chemical was conducted in rats, in which the notified chemical was administered at 1,400, 4,200 and 12,500 ppm (equivalent to 96/94, 307/280 and 917/869 mg/kg bw/day in males/females) for 28 consecutive days, with a 14-day recovery period at the high dose. The No Observed Adverse Effect Level (NOAEL) was established by the study authors as 12,500 ppm.

# Mutagenicity/Genotoxicity

The notified chemical tested negative both in a bacterial reverse mutation study and in an *in vitro* chromosomal aberration test in human lymphocytes.

# Health Hazard Classification

Based on the available information, the notified chemical is a hazardous chemical according to the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS)*, as adopted for industrial chemicals in Australia. The hazard classification applicable to the notified chemical is presented in the following table.

Hazard Classification	Hazard Statement
Skin sensitisation (Category 1B)	H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction

#### 6.3. Human Health Risk Characterisation

Based on the toxicological information provided, the notified chemical is a weak skin sensitiser.

# 6.3.1. Occupational Health and Safety

# Reformulation

Workers may experience dermal, ocular and perhaps inhalation exposure to the notified chemical at  $\leq 10\%$  concentration during reformulation. Given the notified chemical is a skin sensitiser caution should be exercised

when handling the notified chemical during reformulation processes. The use of local ventilation, enclosed/automated processes and PPE (i.e. protective clothing, goggles, impervious gloves and respiratory protection, if inhalation exposure may occur) are expected to minimise the potential for exposure.

Therefore, provided control measures are in place to minimise worker exposure, the risk to workers from use of the notified chemical is not considered to be unreasonable.

#### Fnd-use

Cleaners and beauty care professionals will handle the notified chemical at  $\leq 5\%$  concentration, similar to public use. Such professionals may use PPE to minimise repeated exposure, and good hygiene practices are expected to be in place. Therefore, the risk to workers who use products containing the notified chemical is expected to be of a similar or lesser extent than consumers who use such products on a regular basis. For details of the public health risk assessment see section 6.3.2 below.

#### 6.3.2. Public Health

Members of the public may experience repeated exposure to the notified chemical through the use of cosmetic and household products containing the notified chemical at  $\leq 5\%$  concentration. The main route of exposure is expected to be dermal and inhalation, with some potential for accidental ocular or oral exposure.

#### Sensitisation

Based on the results of an LLNA study, the notified chemical is considered to be a weak skin sensitiser (EC3 = 82%). Methods for the quantitative risk assessment for dermal sensitisation have been proposed and been the subject of significant discussion (see for example, Api *et al.*, 2008 and RIVM, 2010). As shown in the table below, the Consumer Exposure Level (CEL) from use of the notified chemical in various cosmetic product categories was estimated using the worst case example in each of the categories (SCCS, 2012 Cadby *et al.*, 2002). Consideration of available information and application of appropriate safety factors allowed the derivation of an Acceptable Exposure Level (AEL) of 71.07 µg/cm²/day to be estimated for the notified chemical. In this instance, the factors employed included an interspecies factor (3), intraspecies factor (10), a matrix factor (3.16), use/time factor (3.16) and database factor (1), giving an overall safety factor of 300. The maximum allowable concentration for different cosmetic product categories was also calculated so the values (rounded down) can be used to restrict the concentration of the notified chemical in each category based on the potential risk of sensitisation.

Product type	Proposed maximum use concentration (%)	CEL (μg/cm²)	AEL (μg/cm²)	Allowable concentration
Deodorant	0.5	37.5	71.07	0.95
Leave-on cosmetics (assumed: face cream)	1		71.07	2.61
Fine fragrances	1	37.5	71.07	1.90
Leave-on hair products (assumed: hair styling products)	2	7.92	71.07	17.94
Rinse-off cosmetics (assumed: hand wash soap)	5	11.63	71.07	30.56

As the AEL > CEL, the risk to the public of the induction of sensitisation that is associated with the use of the notified chemical at the proposed concentrations of  $\leq 0.5\%$  in deodorants,  $\leq 1\%$  concentration in leave-on cosmetics,  $\leq 1\%$  in fine fragrances,  $\leq 2\%$  in leave-on hair products and at  $\leq 5\%$  in rinse-off cosmetic products (using hand wash soap as a worst case example), is not considered to be unreasonable. Additionally, the use of the notified chemical at concentrations of  $\leq 0.9\%$  in deodorants,  $\leq 2\%$  in leave-on cosmetics,  $\leq 1\%$  in fine fragrances,  $\leq 17\%$  in leave-on hair products and  $\leq 30\%$  in rinse-off cosmetics was also calculated as not considered to be unreasonable.

Based on the expected low exposure from household products, by inference, the risk of induction of sensitisation associated with the use of these products is also not considered to be unreasonable. It is acknowledged that consumers may be exposed to multiple products containing the notified chemical, and a quantitative assessment based on the aggregate exposure has not been conducted.

#### 7. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

# 7.1. Environmental Exposure & Fate Assessment

# 7.1.1. Environmental Exposure

#### RELEASE OF CHEMICAL AT SITE

The notified chemical will be imported as a component of finished fragrance oil for reformulation into cosmetic and household products. Environmental release during importation, transport and distribution may occur as a result of accidental spills. In the event of a spill, the notified chemical is expected to be contained and collected with an inert absorbent material and disposed of in accordance with local regulations.

The fragrance formulations containing the notified chemical will be blended with other ingredients in the manufacture of cosmetic and household products within a fully enclosed environment. Wastes containing the notified chemical generated during reformulation include equipment wash water, empty import containers and spilt materials. Empty import containers wash waters are expected to be recycled into subsequent blending processes or released to sewers, or disposed of to landfill in accordance with local government regulations. In the event of a spill, the notified chemical is expected to be contained and collected with an inert absorbent material and disposed of in accordance with local regulations.

### RELEASE OF CHEMICAL FROM USE

The notified chemical is expected to be released to the aquatic compartment through sewers during its use in various cosmetic formulations and household products across Australia.

# RELEASE OF CHEMICAL FROM DISPOSAL

It is expected that approximately 1% of the product containing the notified chemical will remain in end-use containers. Wastes and residue of the notified chemical in empty containers is likely to either share the fate of the container and be disposed of to landfill, or be released to the sewer system when containers are rinsed before recycling through an approved waste management facility.

### 7.1.2. Environmental Fate

Following its use in Australia, the majority of the notified chemical is expected to be released to sewers on a nationwide basis. The notified chemical is readily biodegradable (82.1% in 28 days). For the details of the environmental fate studies, please refer to Appendix C.

The half-life of the notified chemical in air is calculated to be 0.99 h based on reactions with hydroxyl radicals (AOPWIN v1.92, US EPA 2011). Therefore, if released to atmosphere, the notified chemical is not expected to persist in the atmospheric compartment.

A significant proportion of the notified chemical may not remain in the aqueous phase in the sewage treatment plants (STPs) based on its water solubility, medium partition and adsorption coefficients and ready biodegradability. A proportion of the notified chemicals may be applied to land when effluent is used for irrigation or disposed of to landfill as waste. The notified chemical residues in landfill and soils are expected to have moderate mobility based on its soil adsorption coefficient (log Koc = 3.16). The notified chemical has potential to bioaccumulate (log  $P_{\rm OW} = 4.36$ ); however, this is not expected due to its ready biodegradability. In surface waters, soils and landfill, the notified chemical is expected to eventually degrade through both biotic and abiotic processes to form water and oxides of carbon.

# 7.1.3. Predicted Environmental Concentration (PEC)

The use pattern will result in most of the notified chemical being washed into the sewer. The predicted environmental concentration (PEC) has been calculated assuming the realistic worst-case scenario with 100% release of the notified chemical into sewer systems nationwide over 365 days per annum. The extent to which the notified chemical is removed from the effluent in STP processes based on the properties of the notified chemical has not been considered for this scenario, and therefore no removal of the notified chemical during sewage treatment processes, is assumed. The PEC in sewage effluent on a nationwide basis is estimated as follows.

Predicted Environmental Concentration (PEC) for the Aquatic Compartment				
Total Annual Import/Manufactured Volume	5,000	kg/year		
Proportion expected to be released to sewer	100%			
Annual quantity of chemical released to sewer	5,000	kg/year		

Days per year where release occurs	365	days/year
Daily chemical release:	13.70	kg/day
Water use	200.0	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:	2.81	μg/L
PEC - Ocean:	0.28	μg/L

STP effluent re-use for irrigation occurs throughout Australia. The agricultural irrigation application rate is assumed to be  $1{,}000 \text{ L/m}^2\text{/year}$  (10 ML/ha/year). The notified chemical in this volume is assumed to infiltrate and accumulate in the top 10 cm of soil (density  $1{,}500 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ). Using these assumptions, irrigation with a concentration of  $2.81 \text{ \mug/L}$  may potentially result in a soil concentration of approximately 0.018 mg/kg.

#### 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.

Endpoint	Result	Assessment Conclusion
Fish Toxicity	96  h LC 50 = 46  mg/L	Harmful to fish
Daphnia Toxicity	48  h EC50 = 61  mg/L	Harmful to aquatic invertebrates
Algal Toxicity	72  h ErC 50 = 55  mg/L	Harmful to algae
	NOEC = 6.8  mg/L	·

Based on the ecotoxicological endpoints for the notified chemical, it is expected to be harmful to fish, aquatic invertebrates and algae. Therefore, under the Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) (United Nations, 2009), the notified chemical is formally classified as "Acute Category 3; Harmful to aquatic life". Based on the acute data and potential to bioaccumulate, the notified chemical is classified as "Chronic Category 3; Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effect".

# 7.2.1. Predicted No-Effect Concentration

The predicted no-effects concentration (PNEC) has been calculated from the most sensitive acute endpoint for fish and assessment factor of 100 given three acute endpoints for three trophic levels and one chronic endpoint are available.

Predicted No-Effect Concentration (PNEC) for the Aquatic Compartment					
LC50 (Fish).	46	mg/L			
Assessment Factor	100.00				
Mitigation Factor	1.00				
PNEC:	460	μg/L			

# 7.3. Environmental Risk Assessment

Risk Assessment	PEC μg/L	PNEC µg/L	Q
Q - River:	2.81	460	0.006
Q - Ocean:	0.281	460	< 0.0001

The Risk Quotients (Q = PEC/PNEC) for discharge of treated effluents containing the notified chemical has been calculated to be < 1 for both river and ocean compartments indicating that the notified chemical is unlikely to reach ecotoxicologically significant concentrations in surface waters based on its maximum annual importation quantity. The notified chemical is not expected to bioaccumulate. On the basis of the PEC/PNEC ratio and assessed use pattern, the notified chemical is not expected to pose an unreasonable risk to the environment.

# APPENDIX A: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Melting Point/Freezing Point < -80 °C

Method OECD TG 102 Melting Point/Melting Range
Remarks Determined using differential scanning calorimetry

Test Facility CRL (2017a)

**Boiling Point** 244.6 °C at 98.9 kPa

Method OECD TG 103 Boiling Point

Remarks Determined using differential scanning calorimetry

Test Facility CRL (2017a)

**Density**  $1,040 \text{ kg/m}^3 \text{ at } 20 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ 

Method OECD TG 109 Density of Liquids and Solids

Remarks Determined using a Pycnometer

Test Facility CRL (2017a)

**Vapour Pressure**  $2.8 \times 10^{-2} \text{ kPa at } 25 \text{ °C}$ 

Method OECD TG 104 Vapour Pressure

Remarks Determined using a vapour pressure balance

Test Facility Envigo (2017a)

Water Solubility 2.56 g/L at 20 °C

Method OECD TG 105 Water Solubility

EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.6 Water Solubility

Remarks Flask Method Test Facility Envigo (2017b)

**Partition Coefficient**  $\log Pow = 4.36 \text{ at } 30 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ 

(n-octanol/water)

Method OECD TG 117 Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water).

EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.8 Partition Coefficient.

Remarks HPLC Method/Flask Method. Other entities with lower log Pow values were identified but

were considered to be impurities.

Test Facility Envigo (2017b)

**Adsorption/Desorption**  $\log K_{oc} = 3.16$  at 30 °C

Method OECD TG 106 Adsorption – Desorption Using a Batch Equilibrium Method

Remarks HPLC method Test Facility Envigo (2018)

**Surface Tension** 69.1 mN/m at 20 °C

Method OECD TG 115 Surface Tension of Aqueous Solutions Remarks Concentration: 90% of saturation solubility in distilled water.

Test Facility CRL (2017a)

Flash Point 106 °C at 100.7 kPa

Method EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.9 Flash Point

Remarks Close cup method Test Facility CRL (2017a)

**Autoignition Temperature** 230 °C at 102.2 – 102.38 kPa

Method EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.15 Auto-Ignition Temperature (Liquids and Gases)

Test Facility CRL (2017a)

**Explosive Properties** Predicted negative

Method EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.14 Explosive Properties.

Remarks Based on the chemical structure

Test Facility CRL (2017a)

Oxidizing Properties Predicted negative

Method EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.21 Oxidizing Properties (Liquids)

Remarks Based on the chemical structure

Test Facility CRL (2017a)

# **APPENDIX B: TOXICOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS**

# **B.1.** Acute Oral Toxicity – Rat

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 423 Acute Oral Toxicity – Acute Toxic Class Method

Species/Strain Rat/Wistar Vehicle None

Remarks – Method No significant protocol deviations

RESULTS

Group	Number and Sex of Animals	Dose (mg/kg bw)	Mortality
1	3 F	2000	0/3
3	3 F	2000	0/3

LD50 > 2,000 mg/kg bw

Signs of Toxicity Hunched posture, uncoordinated movements and piloerection were

observed for all animals on Day 1.

Effects in Organs No abnormalities were observed at necropsy.

Remarks – Results The animals showed expected body weight gains during the observation

period.

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

TEST FACILITY CRL (2017b)

### **B.2.** Acute Dermal Toxicity – Rat

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 402 Acute Dermal Toxicity – Limit Test

Species/Strain Rat/Wistar Vehicle None

Type of dressing Semi-occlusive

Remarks – Method No significant protocol deviations

RESULTS

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

LD50 > 2000 mg/kg bw

Signs of Toxicity – Local No local effects were noted.

Signs of Toxicity – Systemic Chromodacryorrhoea (snout) was noted for one male between Days 2 and

4 and three females on Day 1.

Effects in Organs No abnormalities were observed at necropsy.

period.

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

TEST FACILITY CRL (2017c)

# **B.3.** Acute Inhalation Toxicity – Rat

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 403 Acute Inhalation Toxicity

Species/StrainRat/WistarVehicleNoneMethod of ExposureNose onlyExposure Period4 hoursPhysical FormLiquid aerosol

Particle Size 3.5 – 3.7 µm Mass Median Aerodynamic Diameter

Remarks – Method No significant protocol deviations

### RESULTS

Group	Number and Sex of Animals	Concentration (mg/L)		Mortality
		Nominal	Actual	
1	3 M/3 F	7.2	5	0/6
2	2 M/2 F	6.8	5.1	0/4

LC50 > 5 mg/L/4 hours

Signs of Toxicity Slow breathing was noted during exposure and lethargy, hunched posture,

laboured respiration, chromodacryorrhea (nose) and ptosis were noted for

the animals on Days 1 and/or 2 after exposure.

Effects in Organs No abnormalities were observed at necropsy.

which showed body weight loss up to Day 8. This animal regained weight

during the second week.

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

TEST FACILITY CRL (2017d)

### B.4. Skin Corrosion - In Vitro Human Skin Model

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 431 *In vitro* Skin Corrosion – Human Skin Model Test

Vehicle None

Remarks – Method No significant protocol deviations. The EpiDerm test system was used.

# Results

Test Material		of Triplicate sues		ean Viability %)	v	ative Mean bility
	3 minute	60 minute	3 minute	60 minute	3 minute	60 minute
	exposure	exposure	exposure	exposure	exposure	exposure
Negative control	1.556	1.742	100.0	100	3.7	0.5
Test substance	1.492	1.692	96	97	26	0
Positive control	0.142	0.137	9.1	7.9	16	4.6

OD = optical density; SD = standard deviation

Remarks – Results The preliminary test indicated that the test substance did not directly reduce MTT.

The relative mean viabilities of the test substance treated tissues were 96% and 97% after 3 and 60 minute exposure periods, respectively. A mean tissue viability of  $\geq$  50% (for 3 minute exposure) and  $\geq$  15% (for 60 minute

exposure) is considered to be non-corrosive.

The positive and negative controls gave satisfactory results, confirming the validity of the test system.

CONCLUSION The notified chemical was considered to be non-corrosive to the skin under

the conditions of the test.

TEST FACILITY CRL (2017e)

#### B.5. Skin Irritation – *In Vitro* Human Skin Model

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 439 In vitro Skin Irritation: Reconstructed Human Epidermis

Test Method

Vehicle None

Remarks – Method No significant protocol deviations. The EpiSkin-SM test system was used.

RESULTS

Test Material	Mean OD <sub>570</sub> of Triplicate	Relative Mean	SD of Relative Mean
	Tissues	Viability (%)	Viability
Negative control	0.734	100	5.9
Test substance	0.570	78	5.8
Positive control	0.157	21	11

OD = optical density; SD = standard deviation

Remarks – Results The preliminary test indicated that the test substance did not directly

reduce MTT.

The relative mean tissue viability for the test substance as compared to the negative control was 78%. As the relative mean tissue viability for the test substance was above 50%, it is considered to be non-irritating.

The positive and negative controls gave satisfactory results, confirming the

validity of the test.

CONCLUSION The notified chemical was considered to be non-irritating to the skin under

the conditions of the test.

TEST FACILITY CRL (2017f)

# B.6. Eye Irritation – In Vitro Bovine Corneal Opacity and Permeability Assay

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 437 Bovine Corneal Opacity and Permeability Test Method for

Identifying i) Chemicals Inducing Serious Eye Damage and ii) Chemicals Not Requiring Classification for Eye Irritation or Serious Eye Damage OECD TG 437 Bovine Corneal Opacity and Permeability Test Method

for Identifying Ocular Corrosives and Severe Irritants

Vehicle None

Remarks – Method No significant protocol deviations

# RESULTS

Test Material	Mean Opacities of	Mean Permeabilities of	IVIS
	Triplicate Tissues (SD)	Triplicate Tissues	
Vehicle control	0.1	0.005	0.1
Test substance*	-0.1	0.011	0
Positive control*	19	1.992	48.9

IVIS =  $in\ vitro$  irritancy score

<sup>\*</sup>Corrected for background values

Remarks – Results The IVIS of the test substance was 0.0. An IVIS  $\leq$  3 is considered as not

requiring classification for eye irritation.

The negative and positive controls gave satisfactory results confirming the

validity of the test system.

CONCLUSION The notified chemical was not considered an eye irritant under the

conditions of the test.

TEST FACILITY CRL (2017g)

### **B.7.** Skin Sensitisation – LLNA

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 429 Skin Sensitisation: Local Lymph Node Assay

Species/Strain Mouse/CBA/Ca
Vehicle Acetone:olive oil (4:1)

Preliminary study Yes

Positive control Conducted in parallel with the test substance using  $\alpha$ -

hexylcinnamaldehyde.

Remarks – Method No significant protocol deviations. A preliminary test was conducted

using undiluted test substance to justify the concentrations for the main

study.

#### RESULTS

Concentration	Number and Sex of	Proliferative Response	Stimulation Index
(% w/w)	Animals	(DPM/lymph node)	(test/control ratio)
Test Substance			
0 (vehicle control)	5 F	748.95	-
25	5 F	880.80	1.18
50	5 F	1245.17	1.66
100	5 F	2809.55	3.75
Positive Control			
25	5 F	3643.43	4.87

EC3 82%

Remarks – Results No unscheduled mortalities or signs of systemic toxicity were observed

during the study period.

The stimulation index was > 3 in the high dose test group, indicating a

sensitising response. The EC3 was calculated to be 82%.

Body weight changes of the test animals were comparable to that observed

in the vehicle control group.

CONCLUSION There was evidence of induction of a lymphocyte proliferative response

indicative of skin sensitisation to the notified chemical.

TEST FACILITY Envigo (2017c)

# **B.8.** Skin Sensitisation – Human Volunteers

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical (10%)

METHOD Repeated insult patch test with challenge

Study Design Induction procedure: patches containing 0.15 mL of the test substance

were applied 3 times per week (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) for a total of 9 applications during the induction period. Patches were removed

by the subjects after 24 hours and graded by technicians after an additional

24 hours (or 48 hours for patches applied on Friday).

Rest period: ~10-21 days

Challenge procedure: Patches were applied to a naïve site. The sites were scored 24, 48 and 72 hours after application. If reactions were observed at

the 72 hour observation, these were re-evaluated at 96 hours.

Study Group 83 F, 31 M; age range 18 - 70 years Vehicle Ethanol:diethyl phthalate (25:75)

Remarks – Method Occluded. The test substance was spread on a 3.63 cm<sup>2</sup> patch.

RESULTS

Remarks – Results 102/114 subjects completed the study. Twelve subjects discontinued with

the study for reasons unrelated to the test substance.

No adverse events were noted during the study.

CONCLUSION The test substance was non-sensitising under the conditions of the test.

TEST FACILITY Clinical Research Laboratories (2018)

# **B.9.** Repeat Dose Oral Toxicity – Rat

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 407 Repeated Dose 28-day Oral Toxicity Study in Rodents

Species/Strain Rat/Wistar Route of Administration Oral – diet

Exposure Information Total exposure days: 28 days
Dose regimen: 7 days per week

Post-exposure observation period: 14 days SDS rat and mouse No.1 maintenance diet

Remarks – Method No significant protocol deviations

# RESULTS

Vehicle

Group	Number and Sex of Animals	Dose ppm (mg/kg bw/day M/F)	Mortality
Control	5 per sex	0	0/10
Low Dose	5 per sex	1400 (96)/(94)	0/10
Mid Dose	5 per sex	4200 (307)/(280)	0/10
High Dose	5 per sex	12500 (917)/(869)	0/10
Control Recovery	5 per sex	0	0/10
High Dose Recovery	5 per sex	12500 (917)/(869)	0/10

Mortality and Time to Death

There were no unscheduled deaths.

# Clinical Observations

No clinical signs of systemic toxicity were noted. There were no treatment-related changes in the behavioural parameters and sensory reactivity and no toxicologically significant changes in functional performance.

Body weight gain was slightly low during the 1st week in both sexes of the high dose group and was higher than the controls during the 1st week of recovery in both sexes which had previously received this dietary concentration. Food consumption was low during the 1st four days in both sexes of the high dose group and was slightly higher than controls during the recovery period in males which had previously received this dietary concentration. A visual assessment of water intake did not reveal any test substance-related effects.

Laboratory Findings - Clinical Chemistry, Haematology, Urinalysis

### Clinical Chemistry

A dose-related reduction of glucose concentration (down to  $0.6 \times \text{Control}$ ) was noted in all treated groups of males but this finding showed full recovery. Findings which had a doubtful/uncertain relationship to the test substance included high albumin concentration ( $1.06 \times \text{Control}$ ) in all treated groups of males (with a slight increase in albumin to globulin ratio in the high dose group) and slightly high phosphorus concentration (up to  $1.3 \times \text{Control}$ ) in all treated groups of females. These findings were considered slight, non-adverse and disappeared after recovery.

# **Haematology**

Slightly high neutrophil counts ( $1.4 \times \text{Control}$ ) were noted in males of the high dose group and slightly high lymphocyte ( $1.3 \times \text{Control}$ ) and monocyte ( $1.7 \times \text{Control}$ ) counts and slight increase ( $1.3 \times \text{Control}$ ) in total white blood cell counts were noted in females of the high dose group. The findings in females showed complete recovery but neutrophil counts remained slightly high ( $1.6 \times \text{Control}$ ) in males after recovery. Hematological findings which had a doubtful/uncertain relationship to the test substance included slightly low reticulocte counts (down to  $0.8 \times \text{Control}$ ) in all treated groups of males and slightly high red cell distribution width ( $1.1 \times \text{Control}$ ) in females of the high dose group. These findings were considered slight, non-adverse and disappeared after recovery.

#### Urinalysis

Slightly low urinary volume ( $0.5 \times \text{Control}$ ) in males of the mid and high dose groups was noted but showed full recovery.

Effects in Organs

### Organ weights

Slightly high adjusted kidney weights (maximum  $1.1 \times \text{Control}$ ) were noted in all treated groups of males, without apparent evidence of recovery or progression (in terms of the magnitude of change from controls) after recovery. Slightly high adjusted liver weights ( $1.1 \times \text{Control}$ ) were noted in females of the high dose group, with evidence of recovery. Slightly low adjusted ovary and uterus weights ( $0.7 \times \text{Control}$ ), respectively) were noted in females of the high dose group, with complete or partial recovery. With the exception of the slight increase in kidney weights in males, none of the other changes in organ weight were associated with any test substance-related histopathological changes.

### Necropsy

No adverse effects were noted at necropsy.

# **Histopathology**

An increased incidence and severity (minimal/slight severity) of hyaline droplet accumulation was evident at all dose groups and occurred with tubular basophila (minimal severity) in two males of the mid and high dose groups respectively, with evidence of partial recovery for the hyaline droplet accumulation by the end of the recovery period. However, the incidence and severity of the basophilia finding had shown some progression (5/5 males of the high dose group showed minimal or slight severity at the end of the recovery period). There was no evidence of any adverse/degenerative renal pathology in this study.

# Remarks - Results

It was concluded by the study authors that the kidney was a potential target organ in the male rat but there was no evidence of any adverse/degenerative renal pathology. Consequently, the No-Observed-Adverse-Effect-Level (NOAEL) was considered to be 12500 ppm, the highest level tested.

#### CONCLUSION

The No Observed Adverse Effect Level (NOAEL) was established as 12500 ppm (equivalent to approximately 917 and 869 mg/kg/day in males and females, respectively) in this study.

TEST FACILITY Envigo (2017d)

#### **B.10.** Genotoxicity – Bacteria

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 471 Bacterial Reverse Mutation Test

Plate incorporation procedure (Test 1)/Pre incubation procedure (Test 2)

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

Escherichia coli: WP2uvrA

Metabolic Activation System

Concentration Range in

Main Test

S9 mix from phenobarbital/β-naphthoflavone induced rat liver Test 1: a) With metabolic activation: 1.5 - 5000 μg/plate

b) Without metabolic activation: 1.5 - 5000 μg/plate

Test 2: a) With metabolic activation: 1.5 - 5000 μg/plate

b) Without metabolic activation: 0.5 - 5000 μg/plate

Vehicle Dimethyl sulfoxide

Remarks - Method Positive controls:

With metabolic activation: 2-aminoanthracene (TA1535, TA1537,

TA100, WP2uvrA); benzo(a)pyrene (TA98)

Without metabolic activation: N-ethyl-N'-nitro-N-nitrosoguanidine [TA1535, TA100, WP2uvrA]; 9-aminoacridine (TA1537);

nitroquinoline-1-oxide (TA98)

#### RESULTS

Metabolic	Test Substance Concentration (µg/plate) Resulting in:				
Activation	Cytotoxicity in	Cytotoxicity in	Precipitation	Genotoxic Effect	
	Preliminary Test	Main Test			
Absent	·				
Test 1	Not tested	≥ 500	> 5000	negative	
Test 2	Not tested	≥ 500	> 5000	negative	
Present					
Test 1	Not tested	$\geq 1500$	> 5000	negative	
Test 2	Not tested	$\geq 1500$	> 5000	negative	

Remarks - Results No substantial increase in revertant colony numbers of any of the five

tester strains was observed following treatment with the test substance at

any dose level, with or without S9-mix.

Vehicle and positive controls performed as expected, confirming the

validity of the test system.

CONCLUSION The notified chemical was not mutagenic to bacteria under the conditions

of the test.

**TEST FACILITY** Envigo (2017e)

### B.11. Genotoxicity - In Vitro Chromosomal Aberration Test

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

**METHOD** OECD TG 473 In vitro Mammalian Chromosome Aberration Test

Species/Strain Human Cell Type/Cell Line Lymphocytes

Metabolic Activation System S9 mix from phenobarbital/β-naphthoflavone induced rat liver

Vehicle Dimethyl sulfoxide

Remarks - Method The dose selection for the main experiments was based on toxicity of a

preliminary test carried out at 7 – 1840 μg/mL. Positive controls were

cyclophosphamide and mitomycin C.

Metabolic Activation	Test Substance Concentration (μg/mL)	Exposure Period	Harvest Time
Absent			
Test 1	0*, 115, 230, 460, 575*, 690*, 920*, 1840	4 h	24 h
Test 2	0*, 115, 230, 460, 690*, 920*, 1150*, 1840	24 h	24 h
Present			
Test 1	0*, 57.5*, 115*, 230*, 345, 460, 690, 920	4 h	24 h

<sup>\*</sup>Cultures selected for metaphase analysis.

### RESULTS

Metabolic	Test Substance Concentration (µg/mL) Resulting in:				
Activation	Cytotoxicity in Preliminary Test	Cytotoxicity in Main Test	Precipitation	Genotoxic Effect	
Absent	*				
Test 1	≥ 920	≥ 920	≥ 920	negative	
Test 2	≥ 920	≥ 230	$\geq$ 690	negative	
Present				•	
Test 1	≥ 1840	≥ 1840	≥ 1840	negative	

Remarks - Results

Hemolysis (an indication of a toxic response to the erythrocytes and not indicative of any genotoxic response to the lymphocytes) was observed at  $\geq 57.5~\mu g/mL$  in all exposure groups in the preliminary test.

In both main tests, no statistically significant increases in the frequency of cells with structural or numerical chromosome aberrations were observed in the presence or absence of metabolic activation.

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

CONCLUSION The notified chemical was not clastogenic to human peripheral

lymphocytes treated in vitro under the conditions of the test.

TEST FACILITY Envigo (2017f)

# **APPENDIX C: ENVIRONMENTAL FATE AND ECOTOXICOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS**

### **C.1.** Environmental Fate

Different results were reported for the TG 310 and TG 301F biodegradability study reports. However, the TG 310 study relies on total inorganic carbon analysis, which assumes complete mineralisation to CO<sub>2</sub>. The study indicates that the notified chemical degrades but complete mineralisation had not occurred at day 28 to a sufficient amount to demonstrate that the notified chemical is readily biodegradable. The TG 301F study relies on biological oxygen demand which includes biodegradation where the notified chemical is converted to oxidised species, but not CO<sub>2</sub>. The notified chemical may oxidise to such species. Therefore, the biodegradability of the notified chemical was based on the results from the TG 301F study report.

# C.1.1. Ready Biodegradability

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 310 Ready Biodegradability: CO<sub>2</sub> in sealed vessels

(Headspace test)

Inoculum Activated sludge

Exposure Period 28 days Auxiliary Solvent None

Analytical Monitoring Total inorganic carbon (TIC)

organic carbon concentration of 20 mg C/L. The organic carbon content was based on the molecular formula. Biodegradation (mineralization to CO<sub>2</sub>) was determined by measuring the net increase in total inorganic

carbon levels over time.

#### RESULTS

Test su	bstance	1-	Octanol
Day	% Degradation	Day	% Degradation
7	2	7	83
14	4	14	105
21	30	21	ND
28	46	28	96

ND= not determined

Remarks - Results The reference compound 1-octanol reached the pass level of

biodegradation by day 5 indicating the suitability of the inoculum. The toxicity control exceeded 25% biodegradation showing toxicity was not a factor inhibiting the biodegradability of the test substance. The degree

of degradation of the test substance after 28 days was 46%.

CONCLUSION The notified chemical is not readily biodegradable; however, the study

indicates inherent of degradability.

TEST FACILITY CRL (2017h)

# C.1.2. Ready Biodegradability

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 301 F Ready Biodegradability: Manometric Respirometry

Test

Inoculum Activated sludge from a municipal STP

Exposure Period 28 days Auxiliary Solvent None

Analytical Monitoring BOD, Automatic respirometer

Remarks – Method No major deviations from the test guidelines were reported. The test

substance was directly added to the test medium.

#### RESULTS

Test	Substance	1	Aniline
Day	% Degradation	Day	% Degradation
7	21.5	7	58.9
14	63.4	14	85.3
21	74.6	21	97.3
28	82.1	28	99.0

Remarks - Results

All validity criteria for the test were satisfied. The total oxygen intake in the inoculum blank was 26.1 mg O<sub>2</sub>/L at the end of the study. The pH during the test was maintained between 6.86 and 7.65. The toxicity control exceeded 25% biodegradation after 14 days showing that toxicity was not a factor inhibiting the biodegradability of the test substance. The biodegradation of the reference substance, aniline, reached 85.3% at 14 days. The degree of degradation of the test substance after 28 days was 82.1%. The 10-d window was passed.

CONCLUSION

The notified chemical is readily biodegradable.

**TEST FACILITY** 

NIES (2017a)

### C.2. Ecotoxicological Investigations

# C.2.1. Acute Toxicity to Fish

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 203 Fish, Acute Toxicity Test – Semi-static

Species Rare minnow (Gobiocyprus rarus)

Exposure Period 96 hours Auxiliary Solvent None

Water Hardness 166 - 174 mg CaCO<sub>3</sub>/L

Analytical Monitoring TOC

Remarks – Method The definitive test was designed based on the preliminary test results. No

major deviations from the test guidelines was reported. The test substance was directly added to the test solution. The test solution was renewed

daily.

#### RESULTS

Concentration (mg/L)		Concentration (mg/L) Number of Fish		Mortality		
Nominal	Measured		24 h	48 h	72 h	96 h
Control	Control	10	0	0	0	0
10	10.3	10	0	0	0	0
20	20.3	10	0	0	0	0
40	39.9	10	1	2	3	3
60	59.3	10	2	4	5	7
80	80	10	5	10	10	10
100	97.5	10	10	10	10	10

LC50

46.0 mg/L (95%CL of 38.2 – 55.3 mg/L) at 96 hours

Remarks – Results All validity criteria for the test were satisfied. The dissolved oxygen was

85 - 95% during the test. The pH was maintained between 6.0 and 8.5. The analysed test substance concentration during the test was within  $\pm$  20% of the nominal concentration so the results are based on the

analytically confirmed concentrations.

CONCLUSION The notified chemical is harmful to fish.

TEST FACILITY NIES (2017b)

### C.2.2. Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Invertebrates

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 202 Daphnia sp. Acute Immobilisation Test – Static

EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 C.2 Acute Toxicity for Daphnia -

Semi-static

Species Daphnia magna
Exposure Period 48 hours
Auxiliary Solvent None

Water Hardness 140 mg CaCO<sub>3</sub>/L

Analytical Monitoring GC/MS

Remarks – Method The definitive test was designed based on the preliminary test results. No

major deviations from the test guidelines was reported. A stock solution of the test substance (120 mg/L) was prepared in test water and stirred for 15 minutes. This was then used to prepare the required nominal concentrations for the definitive test. The test solutions were renewed daily. The test solutions were sampled at the start (0 and 24 hours) and the end of the

exposure intervals (24 and 48 hours) for analysis.

#### **RESULTS**

Concentration (mg/L)		entration (mg/L) Number of D. magna		% Immobilised	
Nominal	Initial Measured	-	24 h	48 h	
Control	Control	20	0	0	
7.5	8.2	20	0	0	
15	13	20	0	7	
30	24	20	0	3	
60	47	20	0	7	
120	108	20	2	16	

EC50 61 mg/L (95% CL of 8.2 – 108) at 48 hours (calculated using Binomial

analysis)

Remarks – Results All validity criteria for the test were satisfied. Since the nominal

concentrations were outside the  $80-120\,\%$  range as recommended by the guidelines, the results are based on the mean measured concentrations.

The dissolved oxygen was > 89% of saturation.

CONCLUSION The notified chemical is harmful to aquatic invertebrates.

TEST FACILITY EAG (2017)

# C.2.3. 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 Raphidocelis subcapitata

Exposure Period 72 hours

Concentration Range Nominal: Control, 6.3, 13, 25, 50, 100 mg/L

Geometric mean measured: Control, 3.1, 6.8, 15, 36, 77 mg/L

Auxiliary Solvent None

Water Hardness 50.3 Ca+Mg/L Analytical Monitoring HPLC – DAD

Remarks – Method The definitive test was designed based on the preliminary test results. No

major deviations from the test guidelines was reported. The test substance

was directly added to test water and stirred for 3.5 hours before testing. The test solutions were sampled at the start and after 72 hours for analysis of the test substance. An abiotic control was also run for analytical purposes.

#### **RESULTS**

Biomass		Growth	
EyC50	NOEC	ErC50	NOEC
(mg/L at 72 h)	(mg/L)	(mg/L at 72 h)	(mg/L)
22 (95% CL of 20 - 24)	6.8	55 (95% CL of 53 - 57)	6.8

Remarks - Results

All validity criteria for the test were satisfied. The mean cell density in the control increased 148 times after 72 hours. The mean coefficient of variation for section by section specific growth was 29.8%. The coefficient of variation for mean average specific growth in the control replicate was 1.6%. The analysed test substance concentration during the test declined substantially, including in the abiotic control during the test exposure period. Therefore, the results are based on geometrical mean measured concentrations. The calculation of cell densities, growth rates, yields and percent inhibition values, as well as all statistical analyses, were conducted using "The SAS System for Windows," Version 8.2.

CONCLUSION

The notified chemical is harmful to algae.

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