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**PUBLIC REPORT**

**Pamplewood**

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## SUMMARY

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

ASSESSMENT REFERENCE	APPLICANT(S)	CHEMICAL OR TRADE NAME	HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL	INTRODUCTION VOLUME	USE
LTD/1772	Firmenich Ltd	Pamplewood	Yes	≤ 1 tonne per annum	Cosmetic ingredient

## CONCLUSIONS AND REGULATORY OBLIGATIONS

### Hazard classification

Based on the available information, the notified chemical is not recommended for classification according to the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals* (GHS), as adopted for industrial chemicals in Australia, or the *Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances* (NOHSC, 2004).

The environmental hazard classification according to the *Globally Harmonised System for the 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.

<i>Hazard classification</i>	<i>Hazard statement</i>
Acute (Category 1)	H400 – Very toxic to aquatic life
Chronic (Category 1)	H410 – Very toxic to aquatic life with 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, maximum annual importation volume and assessed use pattern the notified chemical is not considered to pose an unreasonable risk to the environment.

### Recommendations

#### CONTROL MEASURES

#### Occupational Health and Safety

- 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 during reformulation processes:
  - Avoid contact with skin and eyes
- 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 processes:
  - Coveralls
  - Impervious gloves
  - Eye protection

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

- A copy of the (M)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.

#### Disposal

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

#### 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.

#### Emergency procedures

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

### 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 importation volume exceeds one tonne per annum notified chemical;
  - The concentration of the chemical exceeds or is intended to exceed 1% in fine fragrances and household products or 0.1% in cosmetic products.or
- (2) Under Section 64(2) of the Act; if
  - the function or use of the chemical has changed from cosmetic 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.

No additional secondary notification conditions are stipulated.

#### *(Material) Safety Data Sheet*

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

## ASSESSMENT DETAILS

**1. APPLICANT AND NOTIFICATION DETAILS**

## APPLICANT(S)

Firmenich Ltd (ABN: 86 002 964 794)  
73 Kenneth Road  
BALGOWLAH, NSW 2093

## NOTIFICATION CATEGORY

Limited-small volume: Chemical other than polymer (1 tonne or less per year).

## EXEMPT INFORMATION (SECTION 75 OF THE ACT)

Data items and details claimed exempt from publication: chemical name, other names, CAS number, molecular and structural formulae, molecular weight, analytical data, degree of purity, residual monomers, impurities, additives/adjuvants, and use details.

## VARIATION OF DATA REQUIREMENTS (SECTION 24 OF THE ACT)

Variation to the schedule of data requirements is claimed as follows: adsorption/desorption, dissociation constant, particle size, flammability limits, explosive properties, oxidising properties, reactivity.

## PREVIOUS NOTIFICATION IN AUSTRALIA BY APPLICANT(S)

No

## NOTIFICATION IN OTHER COUNTRIES

Canada (NDSL), 2005  
China, 2005  
EU, 2004  
Japan, 2007  
Philippines, (PICCS) 2006  
Switzerland, 2006  
United States (TSCA), 2016

**2. IDENTITY OF CHEMICAL**

## MARKETING NAME(S)

Pamplewood

## MOLECULAR WEIGHT

< 500 Da

## ANALYTICAL DATA

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

**3. COMPOSITION**

## DEGREE OF PURITY

> 90%

**4. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

APPEARANCE AT 20 °C AND 101.3 kPa: Colourless to pale yellow liquid

Property	Value	Data Source/Justification
Melting Point/Freezing Point	< -20 °C	Measured
Boiling Point	266 °C at 97.6 kPa 261 °C at 97.36 kPa	Measured
Relative density	0.951 at 20 °C	Measured
Vapour Pressure	0.01 kPa at 25 °C	Measured
Water Solubility	$7.07 \times 10^{-3}$ g/L at 20 °C	Measured

Hydrolysis as a Function of pH	Hydrolytically stable	Measured
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)	log Pow = 4.56 - 4.66 at 25 °C	Measured
Adsorption/Desorption	log K <sub>oc</sub> = 4.02 – 4.14	Estimated (US EPA EPI Suite™ v EPIWIN WSKOW v.I.41). The notified chemical is not expected to significantly adsorb to sediment, sludge or soil based on its low molecular weight and low water solubility
Dissociation Constant	Not determined	The notified chemical does not contain any functional groups that are expected to dissociate in water.
Flash Point	114 °C at 101.3 kPa 116 °C at 101.3 kPa	Measured
Flammability	Not determined	Flashpoint test data indicates that the notified chemical is not a flammable liquid.
Autoignition Temperature	230 °C	Measured
Explosive Properties	Not determined	Not expected to be explosive based on chemical structure.
Oxidising Properties	Not determined	Not expected to be oxidative based on chemical structure.

## DISCUSSION OF PROPERTIES

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

*Reactivity*

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

**Physical hazard classification**

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

**5. INTRODUCTION AND USE INFORMATION**

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

The notified chemical will be imported into Australia in its pure form or as a component in a fragrance formula (at a concentration ≤ 5%).

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

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

## PORT OF ENTRY

Sydney.

## IDENTITY OF MANUFACTURER/RECIPIENTS

Firmenich Ltd.

## TRANSPORTATION AND PACKAGING

The notified chemical will be imported in either its pure form or as a component of fragrance preparations containing the notified chemical (at ≤ 5% concentration). The notified chemical will be imported and distributed in tightly closed lacquered drums of 180, 100, 50, 25, 10 or 5 kg in size. They will be transported by road to the Firmenich Ltd warehouse for storage and then distributed to reformulation sites. It is also possible that the notified chemical will be transported directly to the customer's facilities from the port of entry. End-use products will be packaged in containers suitable for retail sale.

## USE

The notified chemical is intended to be used as a fragrance ingredient for a variety of cosmetic and household cleaning products (proposed usage concentration  $\leq 1\%$  concentration in fine fragrances and household products and  $\leq 0.1\%$  in cosmetic products).

## OPERATION DESCRIPTION

The procedures for incorporating the imported preparations (in pure form or at  $\leq 5\%$  concentration) into end-use products will likely vary depending on the nature of the cosmetic and personal care/household cleaning products formulated, and may involve both automated and manual transfer steps. It is expected that the reformulation processes will involve blending operations that will be highly automated and occur in a fully enclosed/contained environment, followed by automated filling (using sealed delivery systems) of the reformulated end-use products into containers of various sizes.

The end-use products containing the notified chemical (at  $\leq 1\%$  concentration) may be used by consumers and professionals such as hairdressers, workers in beauty salons 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

<i>Category of Worker</i>	<i>Exposure Duration (hours/day)</i>	<i>Exposure Frequency (days/year)</i>
Transport workers	Unknown	Unknown
Mixer	4	2
Drum handling	4	2
Drum cleaning	4	2
Maintenance	4	2
Quality Control	0.5	1
Packaging	4	2
Salon Workers	Unspecified	Unspecified
Cleaners	Unspecified	Unspecified

## EXPOSURE DETAILS

*Transportation and Storage*

Transport and storage workers may come into contact with the notified chemical, in its pure form or as a component of the imported preparations (at a concentration of  $\leq 5\%$ ), only in the event of accidental rupture of containers.

*Mixing/Blending/Filling/Packaging*

During reformulation, dermal, ocular and perhaps inhalation exposure of workers to the notified chemical (in pure form or at  $\leq 5\%$  concentration) may occur during weighing and transfer stages, equipment preparation, blending, quality control analysis and cleaning and maintenance of equipment. Exposure is expected to be minimised through the use of mechanical exhaust ventilation and/or enclosed systems and through the use of personal protective equipment (PPE) such as gloves, respirator, eye protection and uniform.

*Drum handling and drum cleaning*

Empty drums will be rinsed and re-used, recycled or disposed of in landfill. Worker exposure to the notified chemical in pure form or at  $\leq 5\%$  concentration, will be reduced through the use of PPE such as gloves, respirator, eye protection and uniform.

Exposure to the notified chemical in end-use products (at  $\leq 1\%$  concentration) may occur in professions where the services provided involve the application of cosmetic and personal care products to clients (e.g. hairdressers, workers in beauty salons) or in the cleaning industry. Such professionals may use 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 products containing the notified chemical.

### 6.1.2. Public Exposure

There will be widespread and repeated exposure of the public to the notified chemical (at a concentration  $\leq 1\%$ ) through the use of the household products and both rinse-off and leave-on cosmetic and personal care products. The principal route of exposure will be dermal, while ocular and inhalation exposure is 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 full details of the studies, refer to Appendix B.

<i>Endpoint</i>	<i>Result and Assessment Conclusion</i>
Rat, acute oral toxicity	LD50 > 2000 mg/kg bw; low toxicity
Rabbit, skin irritation	slightly irritating
Rabbit, eye irritation	slightly irritating
Guinea pig, skin sensitisation – non-adjuvant test.	no evidence of sensitisation ( 75%)
Human, skin sensitisation – RIPT (10%)	no evidence of sensitisation
Mutagenicity – bacterial reverse mutation	non mutagenic

### *Toxicokinetics, metabolism and distribution.*

No information on the toxicokinetics of the notified chemical was provided. For dermal absorption, molecular weights below 100 Da. are favourable for absorption and molecular weights above 500 Da. do not favour absorption (ECHA, 2014). Dermal uptake is anticipated to be low to moderate if the water solubility is between 1-100 mg/L and with log P values above 4, the rate of dermal penetration may be limited by the rate of transfer between the stratum corneum and the epidermis, but uptake into the stratum corneum will be high (ECHA, 2014). Based on the water solubility (7.07 mg/L at 20 °C), partition coefficient ( $\log P_{ow} = 4.56 - 4.66$ ) and the moderate molecular weight (100 - 500 Da) of the notified chemical, dermal absorption is expected to be low.

### *Acute toxicity.*

The notified chemical was found to be of low acute toxicity via the oral route.

### *Irritation and sensitisation.*

The notified chemical was determined to be slightly irritating to the skin of rabbits, with well-defined erythema in all animals persisting for up to 72 hours. Slight oedema was noted in all animals, persisting for up to 48 hours with very slight oedema noted in all animals at 72 hours. All animals appeared normal after 7 - 14 days. At 7 days it was noted that adverse reactions including severe desquamation prevented erythema and oedema evaluations. All animals appeared normal after 14 days with no desquamation or other adverse reactions affecting oedema and erythema assessment.

In an eye irritation study in rabbits, mild to moderate conjunctival irritation was noted, with all treated eyes appearing normal within 7 days. One animal showed slight initial pain when dosed with the test substance, and this animal exhibited a longer moderate conjunctival response and recovery period (was the last to show a full recovery) than the other animals in the study.

The notified chemical was not a skin sensitizer when tested in guinea pigs and in a human repeat insult patch study.

### *Repeated dose toxicity.*

No repeated dose toxicity data was provided for the notified chemical. Bicyclo[3.1.1]heptane 6,6-dimethyl-2-methylene-, (1S,5S)- (CAS No. 18172-67-3) was proposed as an analogue (analogue 1) to the notified chemical. However, as no repeated-dose toxicity data was available for analogue 1, Bicyclo[3.1.1]hept-2-ene 2,6,6-trimethyl (CAS No. 80-56-8) was proposed as another analogue (analogue 2). Repeated-dose inhalation toxicity data is available for analogue 2 and a No Observed Adverse Effect Concentration (NOAEC) was provided.

However, analogues 1 and 2 were not considered sufficiently reliable as analogues to the notified chemical based on their structural differences and much lower molecular weight (half that of the notified chemical).



*Mutagenicity/Genotoxicity.*

The notified chemical was found to be non-mutagenic in a bacterial reverse mutation assay.

**Health hazard classification**

Based on the available information, the notified chemical is not recommended for classification according to the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS)*, as adopted for industrial chemicals in Australia, or the *Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances* (NOHSC, 2004).

**6.3. Human Health Risk Characterisation****6.3.1. Occupational Health and Safety***Reformulation*

Exposure of workers to the notified chemical in its pure form or at  $\leq 5\%$  concentration may occur during blending operations. The notified chemical has the potential to cause slight skin and eye irritation. In addition, there is no information on the toxicity of the notified chemical following repeated exposure. Therefore, caution should be exercised when handling the notified chemical during reformulation processes.

However, provided that control measures are in place to minimise worker exposure, including the use of automated processes and PPE, the risk to the health of workers from use of the notified chemical is not considered to be unreasonable.

*End-use*

Cleaners and beauty care professionals will handle the notified chemical at  $\leq 1\%$  concentration, similar to public use. Therefore, the risk to workers who regularly use the notified chemical is expected to be of a similar or lesser extent than that experienced by members of the general public who use such products on a regular basis. For details of the public health risk assessment see section 6.3.2.

Based on the information available, the risk to workers associated with the use of the notified chemical at  $\leq 1\%$  in fine fragrances and household cleaning products, and  $\leq 0.1\%$  in other cosmetic products, is not considered to be unreasonable.

**6.3.2. Public Health**

The public will be exposed to the notified chemical at  $\leq 1\%$  concentration in fine fragrances and household products and  $\leq 0.1\%$  in other cosmetic products. The main route of exposure is expected to be dermal with some potential for accidental ocular or oral exposure.

*Local effects*

The notified chemical is not expected to be a skin sensitiser based on animal and human studies. The notified chemical is slightly irritating to the eyes and skin. However, skin irritation effects were not observed in human skin sensitisation studies where the notified chemical was regularly applied at a concentration of 10%. At the proposed concentrations of the notified chemical in cosmetic and household products, skin and eye irritation effects are not expected.

*Systemic effects*

The notified chemical was of low acute toxicity. However, there is no available information on the toxicity of the notified chemical following repeated exposure. Systemic exposure is expected to be limited by the predicted low dermal absorption and the low proposed usage concentration of the notified chemical of  $\leq 1\%$  in fine fragrances and household products and  $\leq 0.1\%$  in other cosmetic products. In the absence of data on the repeat dose toxicity potential of the notified chemical, use of the notified chemical is supported only under limited exposure conditions, which are reflected in the low concentration of the notified chemical in end-use products.

Therefore the risk associated with the use of the notified at  $\leq 1\%$  in fine fragrances,  $\leq 0.1\%$  in other cosmetic products and  $\leq 1\%$  in household cleaning products, is not considered to be unreasonable.

## 7. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

### 7.1. Environmental Exposure & Fate Assessment

#### 7.1.1. Environmental Exposure

##### RELEASE OF CHEMICAL AT SITE

The notified chemical will not be manufactured in Australia; therefore there is no release of the notified chemical to the environment is expected from this activity. 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.

Release to the environment during blending of the notified chemical into end-use products is expected to be minimal as the blending operation will take place in highly automated and fully enclosed/contained environment with local exhaust ventilation. During blending processes, limited release of the notified chemical is expected from cleaning of equipment as washings will be reused. A total of up to 0.2% of the import volume is estimated to be generated as waste from residues in empty containers and spills during reformulation. Empty containers containing the notified chemical will either be recycled or disposed of through an approved waste management facility.

##### RELEASE OF CHEMICAL FROM USE

The majority of the notified chemical is expected to be released to sewers across Australia as a result of its use in cosmetic and domestic products. A small percentage of up to 3% of the total import volume of the notified chemical, as residues in empty end use containers, is expected to be disposed of to landfill.

##### RELEASE OF CHEMICAL FROM DISPOSAL

It is expected that some of the product containing the notified chemical will remain in end-use containers. The containers are expected to be disposed of through domestic garbage disposal and will enter landfill, or be subjected to recycling processes.

#### 7.1.2. Environmental Fate

Following its use in Australia, the majority of the notified chemical is expected to enter the sewer before potential release to surface waters on a nationwide basis. The majority of the notified chemical will enter the sewer system as a result of the use of this chemical as a fragrance ingredient in cosmetic and household care products. The notified chemical is not readily biodegradable and, based on its calculated high adsorption coefficient ( $\log K_{oc} = 4.02 - 4.14$ ), low molecular weight and low water solubility, the notified chemical is not expected to significantly adsorb to sediment, sludge or soil.

The results from a photodegradation tests indicates that the notified chemical is intrinsically photolabile through reaction with hydroxyl radicals present in sunlit natural water. It was observed that the notified chemical underwent indirect photodegradation in different environments with half-lives lower than 18 days. The photodegradation products of the notified chemical indicated a mineralisation of the notified chemical when it was reacted with hydroxyl radicals in an aqueous solution. Therefore, the notified chemical is not likely to persist in the aquatic environment. The notified chemical has potential to be bioaccumulative based on its high partition coefficient (4.56 - 4.66). However, it is expected to photodegrade with efficient removal in sewage treatment plants. In surface waters, the notified chemical is expected to photodegrade and eventually degrade through biotic and abiotic processes to form water and oxides of carbon.

The half-life of the notified chemical in air is calculated to be 1.54 hours based on reactions with hydroxyl radicals (AOPWIN v1.92; US EPA, 2011). Therefore, in the event of release to atmosphere, the notified chemical is not expected to persist in the atmospheric compartment.

A proportion of notified chemical may be applied to land when treated sewage effluent is used for irrigation or when sewage sludge is used for soil remediation, or disposed of to landfill. Notified chemical residues in landfill and soil are expected to be immobile based on its predicted adsorption coefficient ( $\log K_{oc} = 4.02 - 4.14$ ), and are eventually expected to degrade to form water and oxides of carbon.

#### 7.1.3. Predicted Environmental Concentration (PEC)

The calculation for the predicted environmental concentration (PEC) is summarised in the table below. Based on the reported use in cosmetics and household cleansing products, it is assumed that 100% of the total import

volume of the notified chemical is released to the sewer. The release is assumed to be nationwide over 365 days per year. It is conservatively assumed that 0% of the notified chemical will be removed during sewage treatment processes.

<i><b>Predicted Environmental Concentration (PEC) for the Aquatic Compartment</b></i>		
Total Annual Import/Manufactured Volume	1,000	kg/year
Proportion expected to be released to sewer	100%	
Annual quantity of chemical released to sewer	1,000	kg/year
Days per year where release occurs	365	days/year
Daily chemical release:	2.74	kg/day
Water use	200.0	L/person/day
Population of Australia (Millions)	22.613	million
Removal within STP	0%	
Daily effluent production:	4,523	ML
Dilution Factor - River	1.0	
Dilution Factor - Ocean	10.0	
PEC - River:	0.61	µg/L
PEC - Ocean:	0.06	µg/L

STP effluent re-use for irrigation occurs throughout Australia. The agricultural irrigation application rate is assumed to be 1,000 L/m<sup>2</sup>/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 kg/m<sup>3</sup>). Using these assumptions, irrigation with a concentration of 0.6 µg/L may potentially result in a soil concentration of approximately 4.038 µg/kg. Assuming accumulation of the notified chemical in soil for 5 and 10 years under repeated irrigation, the concentration of notified chemical in the applied soil in 5 and 10 years may be approximately 20.2 µg/kg and 40.4 µg/kg, respectively.

## 7.2. Environmental Effects Assessment

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

<i>Endpoint</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Assessment Conclusion</i>
Daphnia Toxicity	48 h EC50 = 0.97 mg/L	Very toxic to aquatic invertebrates

Based on the ecotoxicological endpoint the notified chemical is expected to be very toxic to aquatic invertebrates on an acute basis. Therefore, under the Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) (United Nations, 2009), the notified polymer is formally classified as “Acute Category 1; Very toxic to aquatic life”. Based on the acute toxicity, lack of biodegradability and high bioaccumulation potential of the notified chemical, it is formally classified as “Chronic Category 1; Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects” under the GHS.

### 7.2.1. Predicted No-Effect Concentration

The Predicted No-Effect Concentration (PNEC) was calculated using the daphnia toxicity endpoint (48 hours, LC50 = 0.97 mg/L) of the notified chemical and a conservative assessment factor of 1000. The most conservative assessment factor of 1000 was used as the ecotoxicity endpoint for only one trophic level was available.

<i><b>Predicted No-Effect Concentration (PNEC) for the Aquatic Compartment</b></i>		
EC50 (Invertebrates).	0.97	mg/L
Assessment Factor	1,000	
PNEC:	0.97	µg/L

## 7.3. Environmental Risk Assessment

The Risk Quotient ( $Q = \text{PEC}/\text{PNEC}$ ) has been calculated for a worst case discharge scenario based on the predicted PEC and PNEC.

<i>Risk Assessment</i>	<i>PEC µg/L</i>	<i>PNEC µg/L</i>	<i>Q</i>
Q - River:	0.61	0.97	0.625

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Q - Ocean:	0.06	0.97	0.062
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The risk quotient for discharge of treated effluents containing the notified chemical to the aquatic environment ( $Q < 1$ ) indicates that the notified chemical is unlikely to reach ecotoxicologically significant concentrations in surface waters based on its maximum annual importation quantity. The notified chemical not expected to be readily biodegradable and has the potential to bioaccumulate in the environment. However, the notified chemical is not expected to persist in the environment due to its photodegradability.

Therefore, the notified polymer is unlikely to result in ecotoxicologically significant concentrations in the aquatic environment on the basis of the PEC/PNEC ratio, maximum annual importation volume and assessed use pattern in cosmetic and domestic products.

## APPENDIX A: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Melting Point/Freezing Point < -20 °C

Method	OECD TG 102 Melting Point/Melting Range. EC Directive 92/69/EEC A.1 Melting/Freezing Temperature
Remarks	Determined by placing a test tube containing the test substance in a dry ice/isopropanol mixture until the temperature of the substance reached -20 °C. The test substance remained unchanged in appearance during cooling.
Test Facility	Firmenich (2002) and SafePharm (2003a)

### Boiling Point 266 °C at 97.6 kPa and 261 °C at 97.36 kPa

Method	OECD TG 103 Boiling Point. EC Directive 92/69/EEC A.2 Boiling Temperature
Remarks	Determined according to the Siwoloboff method. Second measurement determined by differential scanning calorimetry
Test Facility	Firmenich (2002) and SafePharm (2003a)

### Density 0.951 at 20 °C

Method	EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.3 Relative Density.
Remarks	Determined by using an oscillating density meter
Test Facility	Firmenich (2002)

### Vapour Pressure 0.01 kPa at 25 °C

Method	OECD TG 104 Vapour Pressure. EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.4 Vapour Pressure.
Remarks	Boiling temperature verified by Siwoloboff method
Test Facility	Firmenich (2003)

### Water Solubility $7.07 \times 10^{-3}$ g/L at 30 °C

Method	EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.6 Water Solubility.
Remarks	Flask Method. Two peaks were observed in the gas chromatography (GC) due to different isomers of the notified chemical.
Test Facility	SafePharm (2003a)

### Hydrolysis as a Function of pH Hydrolytically stable

Method	Firmenich S. A Geneva, Internal method.
Remarks	The GC shows the disappearance of the notified chemical after 5 days is less than 10% at any pH (from 2-12) at 40 °C. Therefore, it was concluded that the notified chemical is hydrolytically stable.
Test Facility	Firmenich (2014a)

### Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water) log Pow = 4.56 – 4.66 at 25 °C

Method	OECD TG 123 Partition Coefficient (1-Octanol/Water): Slow Stirring Method.
Remarks	Determined based on the quantifiable isomers present (isomer 1 and 2).
Test Facility	Noack (2015)

### Flash Point $116 \pm 2$ °C at 97.8 kPa and $114 \pm 2$ °C at 101.3 kPa

Method	EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.9 Flash Point.
Remarks	Determined using a closed cup equilibrium method.
Test Facility	Firmenich (2002) and SafePharm (2003b)

**Autoignition Temperature**  $230 \pm 2.5$  °C

Method	EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.15 Auto-Ignition Temperature (Liquids and Gases). EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.16 Relative Self-Ignition Temperature for Solids.
Remarks	Aliquots of test substance were injected into heated test flask and observed for signs of ignition.
Test Facility	Firmenich (2014b)

**APPENDIX B: TOXICOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS****B.1. Acute toxicity – oral**

TEST SUBSTANCE	Notified chemical
METHOD	OECD TG 423 Acute Oral Toxicity – Acute Toxic Class Method.
Species/Strain	Rat/Sprague-Dawley, 6F
Vehicle	Test substance used as supplied
Remarks - Method	No significant protocol deviations.

**RESULTS**

<i>Group</i>	<i>Number and Sex of Animals</i>	<i>Dose mg/kg bw</i>	<i>Mortality</i>
1	3 F	2000	0/3
2	3 F	2000	0/3

LD50	> 2000 mg/kg bw
Signs of Toxicity	Hunched posture was observed in all animals in group 1 at 1 h. Hunched posture and pilo-erection was observed in all group 1 animals at 2 h and 4 h. These effects lasted for 24 h only.
	Hunched posture and pilo-erection was observed in all group 2 animals at 4 h with 1/3 animals in this group exhibiting this effect for more than 24 h.
Effects in Organs	All animals (6/6) appeared normal after 48h. One animal exhibited raised white foci on the non-glandular region of the stomach. No abnormalities were noted at necroscopy of the other animals (5/6).
Remarks - Results	All animals exhibited satisfactory body weight gain.

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

TEST FACILITY SafePharm (2003c)

**B.2. Irritation – skin**

TEST SUBSTANCE	Notified chemical
METHOD	OECD TG 404 Acute Dermal Irritation/Corrosion. EC Directive 2004/73/EC B.4 Acute Toxicity (Skin Irritation).
Species/Strain	Rabbit/New Zealand White
Number of Animals	3M
Vehicle	Test material was used as supplied
Observation Period	14 days
Type of Dressing	Semi-occlusive.
Remarks - Method	No significant protocol deviations.

**RESULTS**

<i>Lesion</i>	<i>Mean Score* Animal No.</i>			<i>Maximum Value</i>	<i>Maximum Duration of Any Effect</i>	<i>Maximum Value at End of Observation Period</i>
	1	2	3			
Erythema/Eschar	1.67	2	2	2	< 14 days	0
Oedema	1.67	1.33	1.67	2	< 14 days	0

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

Remarks - Results Well-defined erythema was noted in all animals persisting for up to 72

hours (2/3 animals).

Slight oedema was noted in all animals, persisting for up to 48 hours (2/3 animals) with very slight oedema noted in all animals at 72 hours.

All animals appeared normal after 7 - 14 days. At 7 days it was noted that adverse reactions including severe desquamation prevented erythema and oedema evaluations. All animals appeared normal after 14 days with no desquamation or other adverse reactions affecting oedema and erythema assessment.

#### CONCLUSION

The notified chemical is slightly irritating to the skin.

#### TEST FACILITY

SafePharm (2003d)

### B.3. Irritation – eye

#### TEST SUBSTANCE

Notified chemical

#### METHOD

OECD TG 405 Acute Eye Irritation/Corrosion.  
EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 B.5 Acute Toxicity (Eye Irritation).  
EC Directive 2004/73/EC B.5 Acute Toxicity (Eye Irritation).  
Rabbit/New Zealand White  
3M  
3 days; one rabbit observed for 7 days  
No significant protocol deviations.

#### RESULTS

<i>Lesion</i>	<i>Mean Score* Animal No.</i>			<i>Maximum Value</i>	<i>Maximum Duration of Any Effect</i>	<i>Maximum Value at End of Observation Period</i>
	1	2	3			
<i>Conjunctiva: redness</i>	1.33	1	0.33	2	< 7 days	0
<i>Conjunctiva: chemosis</i>	0.33	0.33	0.33	2	< 48 hours	0
<i>Conjunctiva: discharge</i>	0.67	0.67	0.33	2	< 72 hours	0
<i>Corneal opacity</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Iridial inflammation</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

#### Remarks - Results

One animal showed slight initial pain when dosed with the test substance, and this animal exhibited a longer moderate conjunctival response and recovery period than the other animals in the study.

No corneal or iridial effects were noted during the study.

Moderate conjunctival irritation was noted in all animals 1h after treatment, persisting in 2/3 animals after 24h with the remaining animal showing minimal conjunctival irritation (after 24h). Minimal conjunctival irritation was noted in 2/3 animals after 48h persisting in 1/3 animals up to 72h.

Apparent full recovery was observed in 1/3 animals 48h, 2/3 animals at 72h with the remaining animal appearing normal at 7 days (this was the animal which exhibited the strongest initial pain reaction).

#### CONCLUSION

The notified chemical is slightly irritating to the eye.

#### TEST FACILITY

SafePharm (2003e)



**B.4. Skin sensitisation**

TEST SUBSTANCE	Notified chemical		
METHOD	OECD TG 406 Skin Sensitisation – Magnusson – Kligman Method		
Species/Strain	Guinea pig/Hartley albino		
PRELIMINARY STUDY	Maximum Non-irritating Concentration: 75% intradermal: 5% topical: 100%		
MAIN STUDY			
Number of Animals	Test Group: 20	Control Group: 10	
INDUCTION PHASE	Induction Concentration: intradermal: 5% topical: 100%		
Signs of Irritation	Test sites were treated with sodium lauryl sulfate 24 hours prior to induction and faint erythema was noted prior to animals in the positive control group and initial negative control group being inducted.  Faint erythema was noted at all test sites 1 hour after removal of the patch.  Due to technical error, the animals assigned to the initial negative sham control group (referred to as ‘sham control group in report) were mistakenly exposed to the test substance during the topical induction phase. These animals were removed from the test. The naïve control group received a single dose of the maximum non-irritating concentration of the notified chemical at challenge only.  Intradermal results were not provided.		
CHALLENGE PHASE	topical: 75%		
1 <sup>st</sup> challenge	Occlusive dressing used in preliminary irritation testing and challenge phase.		
Remarks - Method	The positive control used was α-hexylcinnamaldehyde and the results were from a test conducted 10 months earlier. No other significant deviations from the protocol were noted.		

**RESULTS**

<i>Animal</i>	<i>Challenge Concentration</i>	<i>Number of Animals Showing Skin Reactions after: 1<sup>st</sup> challenge</i>	
		<i>24 h</i>	<i>48 h</i>
<i>Test Group</i>	75%	4/20	0/20
<i>Control Group</i>	75%	4/10	0/10
<i>Sham Control Group</i>	-	-	-

Remarks - Results	<p>The historic positive control gave a satisfactory response confirming the validity of the test system. Faint to moderate erythema was noted in 9/10 animals after 24 hours, with persistence of faint erythema in 7/10 animals at 48 hours. Desquamation was observed at several sites following the challenge phase.</p> <p>Very faint erythema was observed in 4/20 test group animals at 24 hours. All animals were free of irritation at 48 hours. Very faint erythema was also observed in 4/10 animals in the second negative control (naïve) animals.</p> <p>No animals in the test group and negative control groups exhibited an irritancy response greater than very faint.</p>
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CONCLUSION There was no evidence of reactions indicative of skin sensitisation to the notified chemical under the conditions of the test.

TEST FACILITY Product Safety Laboratories (2003)

#### B.5. Skin sensitisation – human volunteers

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical (10% in vehicle)

METHOD Repeated insult patch test with challenge  
 Study Design Induction Procedure: Patches containing 0.3 mL test substance were applied to the backs of participants. Patches were removed by the participants after 24 hours. A 24 hour period, during which no test material was applied, followed the weekday patch removals; a 48 hour period followed the weekend patch removals. Each subject returned when required for the reaction to be scored and recorded. The identical test site was then repatched until 9 induction patchings were completed over a 3 week period.  
 Rest Period: 14 days  
 Challenge Procedure: A patch was applied to a naïve site. Patches were removed by laboratory technicians after 24 hours and the sites were scored and recorded. Additional challenge readings were made at 48, 72 and 96 hours post-patch removal.  
 Study Group 78 F, 28 M; age range 18 - 75 years  
 Vehicle 75% diethyl phthalate/25% ethanol  
 Remarks - Method Occluded. The test substance was applied on a 25 mm Hill Top Chambers® patch.

RESULTS  
 Remarks - Results 106/120 subjects completed the study. 11/120 voluntarily withdrew and 3/120 were discontinued for protocol violations. No subject discontinued due to test substance reaction. Two subjects exhibited faint, minimal erythema during the induction phase. Two other subjects exhibited minimal to low-level erythema reactions during the challenge period.

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

TEST FACILITY Harrison Research (2011)

#### B.6. Genotoxicity – bacteria

TEST SUBSTANCE Notified chemical

METHOD OECD TG 471 Bacterial Reverse Mutation Test.  
 EC Directive 2000/32/EC B.13/14 Mutagenicity – Reverse Mutation Test using Bacteria.  
 Plate incorporation procedure  
 Species/Strain *S. typhimurium*: TA1535, TA1537, TA98, TA100, TA102  
 Metabolic Activation System Mammalian/ S9 fraction  
 Concentration Range in a) With metabolic activation: 5 - 5000 µg/plate  
 Main Test b) Without metabolic activation: 5 - 5000 µg/plate  
 Vehicle Dimethyl sulphoxide  
 Remarks - Method A preliminary toxicity assay (5 – 5000 µg/plate) was performed to determine the toxicity of the test material.

The experiment was repeated on a different day using a range of 5 – 1500 µg/plate for TA100, TA1535 and TA1537; and 15 – 5000 µg/plate for TA102 and TA98. Fresh cultures and test substance solutions were used. Additional dose levels were used in both experiments to provide a

minimum of four non-toxic doses.

Vehicle and positive controls were used in parallel with the test material. Positive controls: i) without S9: N-ethyl-N'-nitro-N-nitrosoguanidine (3 µg/plate for TA100 and 5 µg/plate for TA1535), 9-aminoacridine (80 µg/plate for TA1537), mitomycin C (0.5 µg/plate for TA102) and 4-nitroquinoline-1-oxide (0.2 µg/plate for TA98); ii) with S9: 2-aminoanthracene (1 µg/plate for TA100 and 2 µg/plate for TA1535 and TA1537), benzo(a)pyrene (5 µg/plate for TA98) and 1,8-dihydroxyanthraquinone (10 µg/plate for TA102).

## RESULTS

<i>Metabolic Activation</i>	<i>Test Substance Concentration (µg/plate) Resulting in:</i>			
	<i>Cytotoxicity in Preliminary Test</i>	<i>Cytotoxicity in Main Test</i>	<i>Precipitation</i>	<i>Genotoxic Effect</i>
<i>Absent</i>				
Test 1	≥ 1500	≥ 5000	> 5000	Negative
Test 2		≥ 1500	> 5000	Negative
<i>Present</i>				
Test 1	≥ 500	≥ 1500	> 5000	Negative
Test 2		≥ 1500	> 5000	Negative

### Remarks - Results

In general, no significant increases in the frequency of revertant colonies were recorded, with or without metabolic activation.

The test material caused a visible reduction in the growth of the bacterial background lawn to all of the tester strains except TA102 both with and without metabolic activation.

No test material precipitate was observed on the plates at any of the doses tested in either the presence or absence of S9-mix.

The positive controls gave satisfactory responses confirming the validity of the test system.

### CONCLUSION

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

### TEST FACILITY

SafePharm Laboratories (2002)

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

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

#### **C.1.1. Ready biodegradability**

TEST SUBSTANCE	Notified Chemical
METHOD	OECD TG 301 B Ready Biodegradability: CO <sub>2</sub> Evolution Test. Method C.4-C of Commission Directive 92/69/EEC and US EPA Fate, Transport and Transformation Test Guidelines OPPTS 835.3110.
Inoculum	Activated sludge
Exposure Period	28 days
Auxiliary Solvent	None reported.
Analytical Monitoring	Dissolved organic carbon (DOC)
Remarks - Method	The test was conducted following the test guideline and good laboratory practice (GLP).

#### **RESULTS**

<i>Test substance</i>		<i>Sodium benzoate</i>	
<i>Day</i>	<i>% Degradation</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>% Degradation</i>
10	9	10	56
14	9	14	60
22	10	21	72
28	11	28	85
29	7	29	90

Remarks - Results	All validity criteria were satisfied and no significant deviations to protocol were reported. The notified chemical attained 11% degradation on 28 days.
CONCLUSION	The notified chemical is not readily biodegradable.
TEST FACILITY	SafePharm Laboratories (2003f)

#### **C.1.2. Photodegradation**

TEST SUBSTANCE	Notified chemical
METHOD	OECD and US EPA guidelines for direct photolysis (OECD 316 and US EPA OPPTS 835.2210 1998a) and for indirect photolysis (US EPA OPPTS 835.5270, 1998b).
Light source and Spectrum	Solar simulator and under natural sunlight
Relative Intensity	5385 MJ/m <sup>2</sup> (Melbourne) and 7236 MJ/m <sup>2</sup> (Townsville)
Remarks – Method	High performance liquid chromatography using Mass Chromatography HPLC-MS. The indirect photodegradation processes were probed to identify the main process responsible and determine its second-order rate constant.
Results	
Remarks - Results	The notified chemical underwent indirect photodegradation in different environments with half-lives lower than 18 days.
Conclusion	The notified chemical is intrinsically photolabile through reaction with hydroxyl radicals present in sunlit natural water.
Test Facility	Firmenich (2015)

## C.2. Ecotoxicological Investigations

### C.2.1. Acute toxicity to aquatic invertebrates

TEST SUBSTANCE	Notified chemical
METHOD	OECD TG 202 <i>Daphnia</i> sp. Acute Immobilisation Test and Reproduction Test - static. EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 C.2 Acute Toxicity for <i>Daphnia</i> - static.
Species	<i>Daphnia magna</i>
Exposure Period	48 hours
Auxiliary Solvent	None reported
Water Hardness	250 mg CaCO <sub>3</sub> /L
Analytical Monitoring	High performance liquid chromatography (HPLC-UV)
Remarks - Method	Twenty animals in test group and control group, divided into 2 replicates (10 animals / replicate) were exposed to an aqueous solution of test substance at 21 °C under static conditions.

The test was conducted in accordance with the test guideline without significant deviations. good laboratory practice (GLP) was followed.

#### RESULTS

Concentration mg/L <i>Nominal</i>	Number of <i>D. magna</i> (per Replicate)	Number Immobilised (%)	
		24 h [acute]	48 h [acute]
Control	10	0	0
0.13	10	0	0
0.23	10	0	0
0.41	10	0	0
0.73	10	0	0
1.30	10	70	100
2.30	10	100	100
4.10	10	100	100
7.30	10	100	100
13.0	10	100	100

LC50	0.97 mg/L at 48 hours
NOEC (or LOEC)	0.73 mg/L at 48 hours
Remarks - Results	All validity criteria were satisfied and no significant deviations to protocol were reported.
CONCLUSION	The notified chemical is very toxic to aquatic invertebrates.
TEST FACILITY	SafePharm Laboratories (2004)

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