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Regulatory approaches under REACH and other regulations (cosmetics, medical devices, food contact materials) - An overview of experiences

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A TOPIC TO CONSIDER

ENDOCRINE DISRUPTORS

- ▶ Background:
 - ▶ Chemicals: REACH Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006
 - ▶ Cosmetics: Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009
 - ▶ Food Contact Materials: Regulation (EC) No 1935/2004
 - ▶ Medical Devices: Regulation (EU) 2017/745

- ▶ Conclusions on ED assessment

- ▶ Experiences within knoell





Chemicals

REACH – Registration, Evaluation and Authorisation of Chemicals

ED assessment under REACH



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REGULATION (EC) No 1907/2006 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL
of 18 December 2006

concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), establishing a European Chemicals Agency,
amending Directive 1999/45/EC and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/94 as well as Council
Directive 76/769/EEC and Commission Directives 91/155/EEC, 93/67/EEC, 93/105/EC and 2000/21/EC

► STANDARD INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS (Annex VII – Annex X)

Required endpoints on toxicological information (Column 1 of the respective Annex):

- 8.1 Skin corrosion/irritation
- 8.2 Serious eye damage/irritation
- 8.3 Skin sensitisation
- 8.4 Mutagenicity
- 8.5 Acute toxicity
- 8.6 Repeated dose toxicity (sub-acute, sub-chronic and chronic toxicity)
- 8.7 Reproductive toxicity (Screening studies, Developmental toxicity and EOGRTS)
- 8.8 Toxicokinetics

REACH Regulation has not yet been updated to establish data requirements for the identification of ED

ED and REACH dossiers



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7 Toxicological information*

- 7 Toxicological information (DNE DMEL)
- 7.1 Toxicokinetics, metabolism and distribution
- 7.2 Acute Toxicity*
- 7.3 Irritation / corrosion*
- 7.4 Sensitisation*
- 7.5 Repeated dose toxicity
- 7.6 Genetic toxicity*
- 7.7 Carcinogenicity
- 7.9 Specific investigations
 - 7.9.1 Neurotoxicity
 - 7.9.2 Immunotoxicity
 - 7.9.3 Endocrine disrupter mammalian screening - in v (level 3)
 - 7.9.4 Specific investigations: studies
 - 7.9.5 Phototoxicity in vitro

Results and discussion

- Results of examinations
- Clinical signs
- Mortality
- Body weight and weight changes
- Food consumption and compound intake (if feeding study)
- Food efficiency
- Water consumption and compound intake (if drinking water study)
- Ophthalmological findings
- Haematological findings
- Clinical biochemistry findings
- Endocrine findings
- Description (incidence and severity)
- Urinalysis findings
- Behaviour (functional findings)
- Immunological findings
- Organ weight findings including organ / body weight ratios
- Gross pathological findings
- Neuropathological findings

Technical features to submit relevant information on ED are implemented although ED is not yet specified as data requirement;

IUCLID quality warning on Repeated Dose Toxicity: *"You are expected to cover the following key investigations: [...] endocrine findings, [...]"*. (QLT229)

ED assessment under REACH



Is the ED hazard assessed under REACH?

Example 1: Propylparaben

<https://www.echa.europa.eu/web/guest/substance-information/-/substanceinfo/100.002.098>

Propyl 4-hydroxybenzoate

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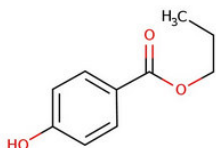


Substance identity

EC / List no.: 202-307-7

CAS no.: 94-13-3

Mol. formula: C₁₀H₁₂O₃



Hazard classification & labelling

According to the classification provided by companies to ECHA in **REACH registrations** this substance is harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.



Properties of concern



ED Under assessment as Endocrine Disrupting [More details](#)

Important to know



- Substance included in the [Community Rolling Action Plan \(CoRAP\)](#).

How to use it safely



- [Precautionary measures](#) suggested by manufacturers and importers of this substance.

ED assessment under REACH



- Is the ED hazard assessed under REACH?
- Example 2: Bisphenol A
- <https://www.echa.europa.eu/web/guest/substance-information/-/substanceinfo/100.001.133>

4,4'-isopropylidenediphenol

Regulatory process names 8 Translated names 23 IUPAC names 34 Trade names 20 Other names 2 Other identifiers 8

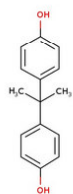


Substance identity

EC / List no.: 201-245-8

CAS no.: 80-05-7

Mol. formula: C₁₅H₁₆O₂



Hazard classification & labelling



Danger! According to the **harmonised classification and labelling** (ATP18) approved by the European Union, this substance may damage fertility, is very toxic to aquatic life, is very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects, causes serious eye damage, may cause an allergic skin reaction and may cause respiratory irritation.

Additionally, the classification provided by companies to ECHA in **REACH registrations** identifies that this substance may damage fertility or the unborn child.



Properties of concern



R Toxic to Reproduction

Ss Skin sensitising

ED Endocrine Disrupting

[More details](#)

Important to know



- Substance included in the [Community Rolling Action Plan \(CoRAP\)](#).
- Substance of very high concern (SVHC) and included in the [candidate list](#) for authorisation.
- Some uses of this substance are restricted under [Annex XVII of REACH](#).

About this substance



This substance is registered under the REACH Regulation and is manufactured in and / or imported to the European Economic Area, at $\geq 1\,000\,000$ tonnes per annum.

This substance is used by consumers, in articles, by professional workers (widespread uses), in formulation or re-packing, at industrial sites and in manufacturing.

ED assessment under REACH is performed

ED assessment under REACH

► Evaluation of ED properties under REACH takes place, but how?



Reason for inclusion on REACH candidate list (REACH Article 57(f))

English
Carcinogenic (Article 57a)
Mutagenic (Article 57b)
Toxic for reproduction (Article 57c)
PBT (Article 57d)
vPvB (Article 57e)
Endocrine disrupting properties (Article 57(f) - environment)
Endocrine disrupting properties (Article 57(f) - human health)
Respiratory sensitising properties (Article 57(f) - human health)
Specific target organ toxicity after repeated exposure (Article 57(f) - human health)
Equivalent level of concern having probable serious effects to human health (and/or) the environment (Article 57f)

► REACH candidate list (*Update of Candidate list on 17 Jan 2023*):

https://echa.europa.eu/de/candidate-listtable?p_p_id=disslists_WAR_disslistsportlet&p_p_lifecycle=1&p_p_state=normal&p_p_mode=view&_disslists_WAR_disslistsportlet_javax.portlet.action=searchDissLists

- 22 substances have been identified as SVHC based on ED properties
- Human Health: 6 substances
- Environment: 16 substances

• **Examples of agreed cases:**

Diethylhexyl phthalate (DEHP)

Bisphenol A

Dicyclohexyl phthalate (DCHP)

- ▶ Substances identified as ED undergo **authorisation** under REACH (**hazard-based approach**)
 - ▶ **uses** of the substance **need to be approved** on the authorisation list (Annex XVI)
 - ▶ after the Sunset date, ED may only be used if authorisation has been granted

- ▶ Substances can be authorised when
 - ▶ **the risk** for a specific use **is adequately controlled** („adequate control route“)
 - ▶ **socio-economic benefits** outweigh the risk (SEA route)

Cosmetics



Cosmetics

ED in the Regulation on Cosmetic Products (EC) No 1223/2009



► **REGULATION (EC) No 1223/2009 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL**
of 30 November 2009
on cosmetic products

► Article 15:

4. When Community or internationally agreed criteria for identifying substances with **endocrine-disrupting properties are available**, or at the latest on 11 January 2015, **the Commission shall review this Regulation** with regard to substances with endocrine-disrupting properties.

► Annex I: Cosmetic Product Safety report

► “the toxicological profile of substance contained in the cosmetic product for **all relevant toxicological endpoints**”. A particular focus on local toxicity evaluation (skin and eye irritation), skin sensitisation, and in the case of UV absorption photo-induced toxicity shall be made.

Cosmetic Product Regulation does not explicitly define ED as relevant toxicological endpoint, BUT ...

ED: Safety Assessment for Cosmetic Products



Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety
SCCS
THE SCCS NOTES OF GUIDANCE FOR THE TESTING OF
COSMETIC INGREDIENTS AND THEIR SAFETY EVALUATION
12TH REVISION



- Relevant toxicological endpoints for safety evaluation are established in the SCCS Notes of guidance for the testing of cosmetic ingredients and their safety evaluation (12th revision, 2023)

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**Assessment of “EAS”
is included in the safety
assessment of
cosmetics**

Data obtained from in vivo testing should only be provided if the data were already available before the animal testing ban or obtained for the purpose of demonstrating compliance with other (non-cosmetic) legislations (e.g. REACH).

Safety assessment of ED for Cosmetic Products



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12TH REVISION



- ▶ ED properties can be assessed only in a **stepwise approach** due to the animal test ban under the Cosmetic Regulation using data generated outside the cosmetic field or using NAMs
- ▶ For a **new cosmetic ingredient**, characterisation will be limited to **level 1 and level 2** studies defined in OECD's conceptual framework 150

Level 1	Existing data and non-test information eg : Physical and chemical properties / QSARs
Level 2	<i>In vitro</i> assays providing data about selected endocrine mechanism(s) / pathways(s) eg : Estrogen receptor transactivation (OECD TG 455) / Estrogen or androgen receptor binding affinity
	<i>In vivo</i> assays providing data about selected endocrine

„While the results from levels 1 and 2 approaches can be indicative of endocrine activity of a cosmetic ingredient, they will not definitively inform whether the substance will cause adverse effect(s) in the intact organism to be regarded an ED.“

“Due to the ban of animal testing, the available data on cosmetic ingredients usually cannot comply with the criteria laid down in the OECD conceptual framework.”

ED assessment under Cosmetic Product Regulation

https://single-market-economy.ec.europa.eu/sectors/cosmetics/cosmetic-products-specific-topics/endocrine-disruptors_en



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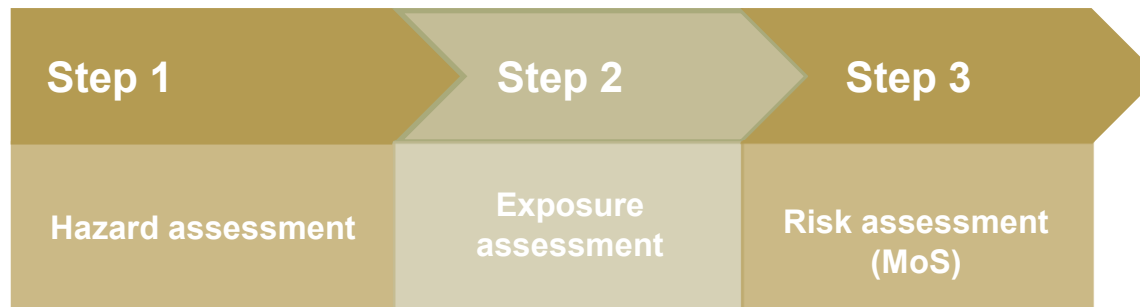
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THE SCCS NOTES OF GUIDANCE FOR THE TESTING OF
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- ▶ The Cosmetic Product Regulation includes a system of restrictions on and bans of certain substances in cosmetics.
- ▶ The restrictions are based on a risk assessment performed by the SCCS



- ▶ Based on the SCCS opinion, the Commission takes action to prohibit or restrict the use of ED substances in cosmetics.
- ▶ SCCS Notes from December 2023: 14 substances have been assessed for ED properties by the SCCS
 - ▶ Examples: Resorcinol, Propylparaben, Triclosan, Benzyl salicylate

ED assessment under Cosmetic Product Regulation



CosIng - Cosmetics Ingredients



► **B** REGULATION (EC) No 1223/2009 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL
of 30 November 2009
on cosmetic products

► List of Annexes (Regulation (EC) 1223/2009):

- Annex II: List of **substances prohibited** in cosmetic products
- Annex III: List of substances which cosmetic products must not contain except subject to the **restriction** laid down

- Annex IV: List of colourants allowed in cosmetic products
- Annex V: List of preservatives allowed in cosmetic products
- Annex VI: List of UV filters allowed in cosmetic products

ED assessment under Cosmetic Product Regulation



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OPINION ON
Propylparaben (PP)



- ▶ Example: Propylparaben
- ▶ REACH: Under assessment for ED; already concluded for environment
- ▶ Cosmetics: SCCS Opinion

Conclusion SCCS:

On the basis of the safety assessment of Propylparaben, and considering the concerns related to potential endocrine disrupting properties, the SCCS has concluded that **Propylparaben is safe** when used as a preservative **in cosmetic products up to a maximum concentration of 0.14 %**.

The available data on Propylparaben provide some indications for potential endocrine effects. However, the current level of evidence is not sufficient to regard it as an endocrine disrupting substance, or to derive a toxicological point of departure based on endocrine disrupting properties for use in human health risk assessment.

ED under Cosmetic Product Regulation: Regulatory consequences



- ▶ Substances identified or suspected as ED for human health are assessed by the SCCS
 - ▶ Risk assessment is performed
 - ▶ The safety in individual products is judged based on MoS
 - ▶ Substances are included in the respective Annex of the Cosmetic Regulation
 - ▶ EDs can be prohibited (Annex II) or allowed/restricted (Annex III – VI) in specific cosmetic products
 - ▶ Maximum concentrations are defined if EDs are allowed to be used in cosmetic products

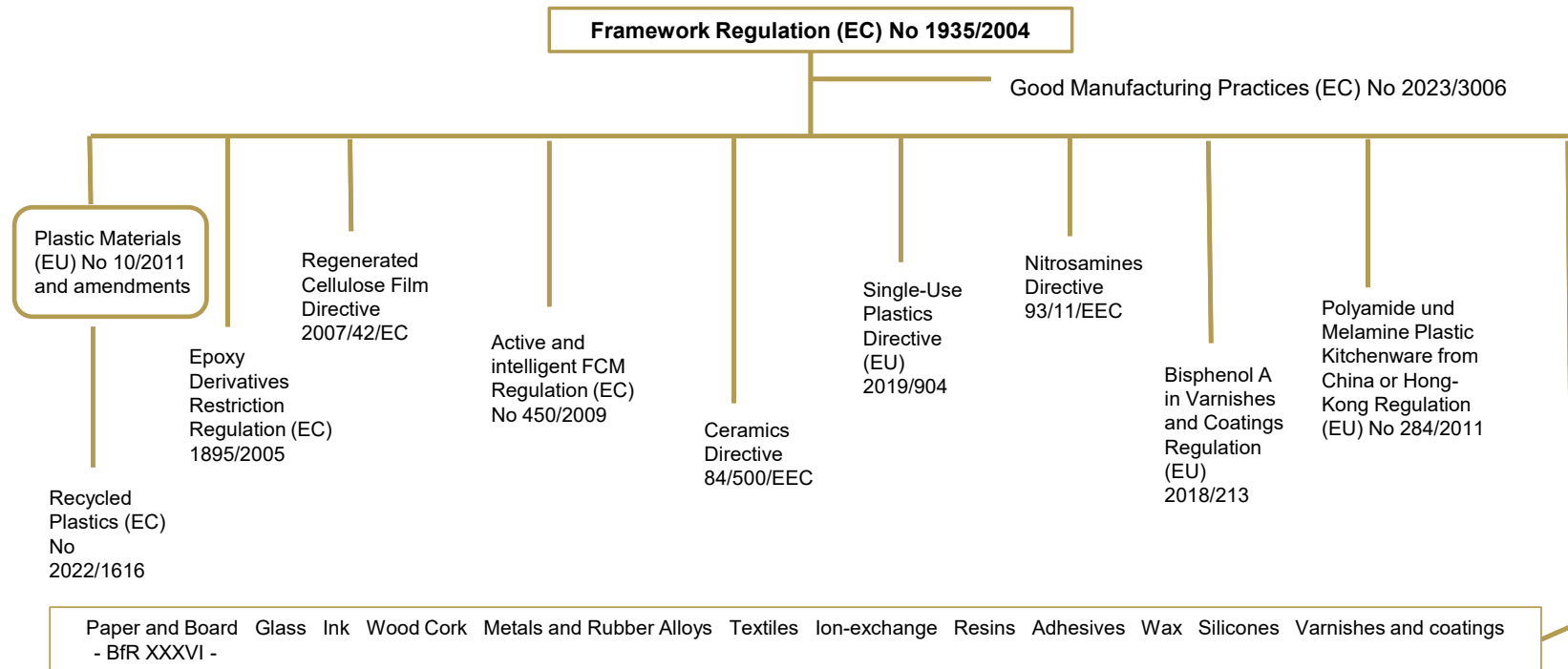


Food Contact Materials

Food Contact Materials

ED in the Regulation of Food Contact Materials

REGULATION (EC) No 1935/2004 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL
of 27 October 2004
on materials and articles intended to come into contact with food and repealing Directives 80/590/EEC and 89/109/EEC



ED in the Regulation of Food Contact Materials

Plastic Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 - Union list of authorized substances

- ▶ Plastic materials must be manufactured with authorized substances included within the **Union list** (EU) No 10/2011 Annex 1 and its amendments.
- ▶ The **data requirements** for hazard assessment to **include a substance into the Union list depend on the migration** of a substance (according to EFSA Note for guidance for the preparation of an application for the safety assessment of a substance to be used in plastic food contact materials, 2020)

Migration < 0.05 mg/kg food / food simulant: 2 genotoxicity tests (OECD 471 / 487)

Migration 0.05 – 5 mg/kg food / food simulant: genotoxicity testing +
90-day oral toxicity study (OECD 408)

ED testing as such is not included in the data requirements (plastic food contact materials)

Migration 5 – 60 mg/kg food / food simulant: genotoxicity testing / 90-day oral
toxicity study +
Studies on ADME
Studies on reproduction and developmental
toxicity
Studies on long-term toxicity /
carcinogenicity

ED in the Regulation of Food Contact Materials

- EFSA Scientific Opinion ‘Recent developments in the risk assessment of chemicals in food and their potential impact on the safety assessment of substances used in food contact materials (2016)’

Tier number and specifications	Toxicity data required	Additional considerations
Tier 1: Human exposure up to 1.5 µg/kg bw per day or if The substance is classified as Cramer class I and exposure is less than 30 µg/kg bw per day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Genotoxicity studies Available information including an appropriate literature search 	In general, no other toxicity studies are required below this threshold. Exceptions are: (1) if there are existing data indicating the potential to affect endocrine or neural systems; (2) for substances with a high potential to accumulate in humans; (3) for nanomaterials, even if the non-nanoform material has been evaluated and approved for FCM.
Tier number and specifications	Toxicity data required	Additional considerations
Tier 2: Human exposure from 1.5 to 80 µg/kg bw per day	As above, plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extended 90-day oral toxicity study in rodents 	A study on absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion (ADME) should be used to assess the potential for accumulation in humans of substances for which such a potential could be anticipated. If there are existing data indicating endocrine activity suggesting potential effects from prenatal exposure, a 90-day study with a prenatal treatment period or an extended one-generation reproduction toxicity study (EOGRTS) should be considered.
Tier 3: Human exposure higher than 80 µg/kg bw per day	As above ^(a) , plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Study on ADME Studies on reproduction and developmental toxicity Studies on long-term toxicity/carcinogenicity 	If there are existing data indicating endocrine activity suggesting potential effects from prenatal exposure, a chronic study with a prenatal treatment period or an EOGRTS should be considered.

ED testing as such is not included in the data requirements, but the EFSA recommends to consider endocrine potential as additional consideration which requires further testing.

(a): The extended 90-day oral toxicity study required in tier 2 might not be necessary as it is covered by the long-term testing.

ED assessment for Food Contact Materials

- Example: Bisphenol A
- REACH: identified as ED for human health (and environment)
- Food Contact Materials: Regulation (EU) 2018/213 (consolidated version)

COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2018/213

of 12 February 2018

on the use of bisphenol A in varnishes and coatings intended to come into contact with food and amending Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 as regards the use of that substance in plastic food contact materials

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
FCM substance No	Ref. No	CAS No	Substance name	Use as additive or polymer production aid (yes/no)	Use as monomer or other starting substance or macromolecule obtained from microbial fermentation (yes/no)	FRF applicable (yes/no)	SML [mg/kg]	SML(T) [mg/kg] (Group restriction No)	Restrictions and specifications	Notes on verification of compliance
'151	13480 13607	0000080-05-7	2,2-bis(4-hydroxyphenyl) propane	no	yes	no	0,05		Not to be used for the manufacture of polycarbonate infant ⁽¹⁾ feeding bottles ⁽²⁾ . Not to be used for the manufacture of polycarbonate drinking cups or bottles which, due to their spill proof characteristics, are intended for infants ⁽³⁾ and young children ⁽⁴⁾ .	



A draft Commission Regulation (EU) on the restriction/prohibition of BPA and BPA-derivatives in (plastic) FCM has been released in 2024

ED under the Framework for Food Contact Materials: Consequences

- ▶ Substances identified or suspected as ED can be used in Food Contact Materials (FCM)
 - ▶ Specific migration limits (SML) and restrictions are defined for individual FCM applications
 - ▶ The SML must not be exceeded



Medical Devices

Medical Devices

ED in the Regulation of Medical Devices

REGULATION (EU) 2017/745 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 5 April 2017

on medical devices, amending Directive 2001/83/EC, Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 and Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 and repealing Council Directives 90/385/EEC and 93/42/EEC

10.4.1. Design and manufacture of devices

Devices shall be designed and manufactured in such a way as to reduce as far as possible the risks posed by substances or particles, including wear debris, degradation products and processing residues, that may be released from the device.

Devices, or those parts thereof or those materials used therein that:

- are invasive and come into direct contact with the human body,
- (re)administer medicines, body liquids or other substances, including gases, to/from the body, or
- transport or store such medicines, body fluids or substances, including gases, to be (re)administered to the body,

shall only contain the following substances in a concentration that is above 0,1 % weight by weight (w/w) where justified pursuant to Section 10.4.2:

- substances which are carcinogenic, mutagenic or toxic to reproduction ('CMR'), of category 1A or 1B, in accordance with Part 3 of Annex VI to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council (¹), or
- substances having endocrine-disrupting properties for which there is scientific evidence of probable serious effects to human health and which are identified either in accordance with the procedure set out in Article 59 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council (²) or, once a delegated act has been adopted by the Commission pursuant to the first subparagraph of Article 5(3) of Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of the European Parliament and the Council (³), in accordance with the criteria that are relevant to human health amongst the criteria established therein.

The Regulation on Medical Devices refers to the REACH and Biocidal Product Regulation (BPR)

ED assessment in Medical Devices

- EDs can be used in Medical Devices in concentrations above 0.1% (w/w) when a proper justification can be provided (Annex I, Chapter II Section 10.4.2 of Regulation (EU) 2017/745)

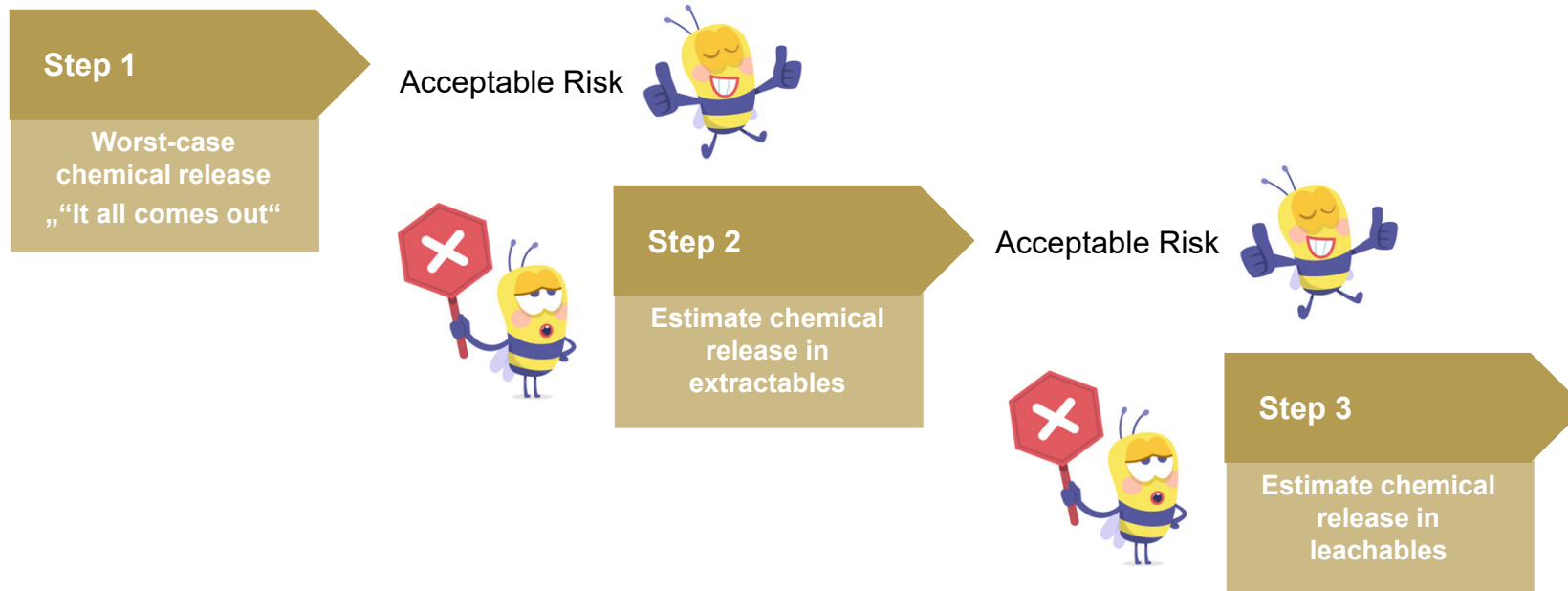
10.4.2. Justification regarding the presence of CMR and/or endocrine-disrupting substances

The justification for the presence of such substances shall be based upon:

- an analysis and estimation of potential patient or user exposure to the substance;
- an analysis of possible alternative substances, materials or designs, including, where available, information about independent research, peer-reviewed studies, scientific opinions from relevant scientific committees and an analysis of the availability of such alternatives;
- argumentation as to why possible substance and/ or material substitutes, if available, or design changes, if feasible, are inappropriate in relation to maintaining the functionality, performance and the benefit-risk ratios of the product; including taking into account if the intended use of such devices includes treatment of children or treatment of pregnant or breastfeeding women or treatment of other patient groups considered particularly vulnerable to such substances and/or materials; and
- where applicable and available, the latest relevant scientific committee guidelines in accordance with Sections 10.4.3. and 10.4.4.

ED assessment in Medical Devices

- For Medical Devices, the exposure of patients and users towards EDs has to be considered to justify their presence
 - A **risk assessment** is required based on a step-wise approach



ED assessment in Medical Devices: Examples

Example: Phthalates

- Di-(2-(ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP) is widely used in Medical Devices (such as blood bags, nutrition pockets, tubing, catheters and respiratory masks)
- The use of DEHP is restricted under REACH (Annex XIV):

<https://www.echa.europa.eu/web/guest/substances-restricted-under-reach/-/dislist/details/0b0236e1807e2d0d>



DEHP can still be used in Medical Devices, the EU has postponed the ban in Medical Devices in November 2023

Latest application date is January 2029; Sunset date is July 2030

Properties of concern ?

- R** Toxic to Reproduction
- ED** Endocrine Disrupting

[More details](#)

Important to know ?

- Substance of very high concern (SVHC) and included in the [candidate list](#) for authorisation.
- Substance of very high concern requiring authorisation before it is used ([Annex XIV of REACH](#)).
- Some uses of this substance are restricted under [Annex XVII of REACH](#).

- ▶ Substances identified or suspected as ED can be used in Medical Devices
 - ▶ At concentrations $> 0.1\%$, a justification has to be provided
 - ▶ The risk assessment has to prove a controlled risk
 - ▶ REACH - Authorisation: The *Latest application date* and *Sunset date* do not apply for Medical Devices



Chemicals



Medical Devices



Cosmetics



Food Contact Materials

Conclusion/Experiences

- ▶ ED assessment of chemicals registered under REACH takes place, although the REACH Regulation and its Annexes have not been updated to establish the data requirements to specifically test for ED properties (mechanistic data)
- ▶ Regulation of EDs is based on the identification as Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) alongside with CMR substances. This results initially in a hazard-based approach
- ▶ Several substances have been identified as SVHC based on ED properties and are included on the candidate list for authorisation
- ▶ Authorisation/Restriction is the regulatory consequence for chemicals identified as EDs

Wrap-up (II): Cosmetic Products and ED

- ▶ ED assessment is included in the safety assessment of cosmetics as “specific investigation”
- ▶ ED properties can be assessed only in a stepwise approach due to the animal test ban under the Cosmetic regulation using data generated outside the cosmetic field or using NAMs
- ▶ For a new cosmetic ingredient, characterisation will be limited to level 1 and level 2 studies defined in OECD’s conceptual framework 150
 - ▶ Due to the ban of animal testing, the available data on cosmetical ingredients usually cannot comply with the criteria laid down in the OECD conceptual framework.
- ▶ Safety assessment: SCCS treat ED like other substances of concern for human health and therefore carry out risk assessment

Food Contact Materials and ED

- ▶ EDs can be allowed as Food Contact Material when the SML is not exceeded by the migration of the ED substance (**risk-based** approach)

Medical Devices and ED

- ▶ The Regulation on Medical Devices directly refers to REACH and BPR for the endpoint ED
- ▶ EDs can be contained in Medical Devices when their use is justified. Exposure shall be considered (**risk-based** approach)

ED under the Chemical Strategy for Sustainability (CSS)

ED assessment relevant across all regulations



- Example: DEHP
- Identified as SVHC based on Reproductive and ED properties under REACH
Included in Annex XIV (Authorisation list)



Chemicals

Latest application date:
21 August 2013

Sunset date:
21 February 2015



Cosmetics

Listed on Annex II
(CMR properties)

Prohibited in
cosmetics



Food Contact Materials

Latest application date:
14 June 2023

Sunset date:
14 December 2024



Medical Devices

Latest application date:
01 January 2029

Sunset date:
1 July 2030



All regulatory areas are affected on EU level, although ways of derogation apply to Food Contact Materials and Medical Devices

ED under the Chemical Strategy for Sustainability (CSS)

- ED assessment relevant across regulations



- „One substance, one assessment“

- The assessment of ED properties is mostly based on the data available under REACH, BUT

- Different Committees may be involved in the assessment

- REACH: eMember State; ED expert group, RAC and SEAC
- Cosmetics: SCCS



- Different approaches may be followed

- REACH: **Hazard-based** approach
- Cosmetics/FCM and MD: **Risk-based** approach

ED under the Chemical Strategy for Sustainability (CSS)

- ED assessment relevant across regulations



- „One substance, one assessment“



- The Commission will ensure that EDs are banned in consumer products as soon as they are identified, allowing their use only where it is proven to be essential for society



- EDs can be banned under REACH and other Regulations, but their use may also be authorised/restricted/allowed in Cosmetics, Food Contact Materials and Medical Devices and under REACH

ED under the Chemical Strategy for Sustainability (CSS)

ED assessment relevant across regulations



„One substance, one assessment“



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The Commission will ensure that sufficient and appropriate information is made available to authorities



Assessment approach



Chemicals

- Level 1
- Level 4
- Level 5
- Mechanistic data missing

Cosmetics

- Level 1
- Level 2, reference to other regulations
- Data on adversity missing

Food Contact Materials

- Reference to REACH dossier

Medical Devices

- Reference to REACH dossier



The data basis for ED assessment is not harmonised among the different regulatory areas. The data packages do not comply with the criteria laid down in the OECD conceptual framework.”

ED under the Chemical Strategy for Sustainability (CSS)

▶ ED assessment relevant across regulations



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REACH (planned updates **NOT included** in the current European commission work programme!):

- **Update data requirements** for screening of ED activity?



Experiences within knoell



- ▶ ED assessment is conducted under REACH and other Regulations by the authorities
 - ▶ although no clear assessment approaches are defined under REACH and the other regulations
 - ▶ assessment is performed based on the existing data packages

- ▶ ED assessment is carried out on voluntary basis by registrant(s)
 - ▶ although the approach are not clearly defined under REACH and the other regulations
 - ▶ assessment is based on the existing data
 - ▶ level 4 and level 5 studies



Experiences within knoell



- ▶ Companies start to screen the REACH dossier(s) in regard to ED
 - ▶ *We develop screening approaches to identify „red-flags“*

- ▶ ED assessment performed by knoell for Chemicals:
 - ▶ *We draw on our experience with active substances and combine the different regulations*
 - ▶ For ED assessment, we follow the ECHA/EFSA Guidance
 - ▶ We „use“ the existing templates for Biocides/PPP for ED assessment of Chemicals

Think globally, act locally - your local contact



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