

SUBSTANCE EVALUATION CONCLUSION

as required by REACH Article 48

and

EVALUATION REPORT

for

2-ethylhexyl acetate EC No 203-079-1 CAS No 103-09-3

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Member State concluded the evaluation without any further need to ask more information from the registrants under Article 46(1) decision.

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Foreword

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Substance evaluation is a concern driven process, which aims to clarify whether a substance constitutes a risk to human health or the environment. Member States evaluate assigned substances in the CoRAP with the objective to clarify the potential concern and, if necessary, to request further information from the registrant(s) concerning the substance. If the evaluating Member State concludes that no further information needs to be requested, the substance evaluation is completed. If additional information is required, this is sought by the evaluating Member State. The evaluating Member State then draws conclusions on how to use the existing and obtained information for the safe use of the substance.

This Conclusion document, as required by Article 48 of the REACH Regulation, provides the final outcome of the Substance Evaluation carried out by the evaluating Member State. The document consists of two parts i.e. A) the conclusion and B) the evaluation report. In the conclusion part A, the evaluating Member State considers how the information on the substance can be used for the purposes of regulatory risk management such as identification of substances of very high concern (SVHC), restriction and/or classification and labelling. In the evaluation report part B the document provides explanation how the evaluating Member State assessed and drew the conclusions from the information available.

With this Conclusion document the substance evaluation process is finished and the Commission, the Registrant(s) of the substance and the Competent Authorities of the other Member States are informed of the considerations of the evaluating Member State. In case the evaluating Member State proposes further regulatory risk management measures, this document shall not be considered initiating those other measures or processes. Further analyses may need to be performed which may change the proposed regulatory measures in this document. Since this document only reflects the views of the evaluating Member State, it does not preclude other Member States or the European Commission from initiating regulatory risk management measures which they deem appropriate.

¹ <u>http://echa.europa.eu/regulations/reach/evaluation/substance-evaluation/community-rolling-action-plan</u>

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Part A. Conclusion

1. CONCERN(S) SUBJECT TO EVALUATION

2-ethylhexyl acetate was originally selected for substance evaluation in order to clarify concerns about:

- Exposure/wide dispersive use
- Consumer use

- Reprotoxicity During the evaluation no other concerns were identified.

2. OVERVIEW OF OTHER PROCESSES / EU LEGISLATION

A final compliance check decision was issued on 17-09-2014:

CCH-D-0000005118-76-02/F This decision is under Appeal (Appeal Case No. A-015-2014)

3. CONCLUSION OF SUBSTANCE EVALUATION

The evaluation of the available information on the substance has led the evaluating Member State to the following conclusions, as summarised in the table below.

Table 1

CONCLUSION OF SUBSTANCE EVALUATION	
Conclusions	Tick box
Need for follow-up regulatory action at EU level	
Harmonised Classification and Labelling	
Identification as SVHC (authorisation)	
Restrictions	
Other EU-wide measures	
No need for regulatory follow-up action at EU level	Х

4. FOLLOW-UP AT EU LEVEL

4.1. Need for follow-up regulatory action at EU level

4.1.1. Harmonised Classification and Labelling

NA

4.1.2. Identification as a substance of very high concern, SVHC (first step towards authorisation)

NA

4.1.3. Restriction

NA

4.1.4. Other EU-wide regulatory risk management measures

NA

5. CURRENTLY NO FOLLOW-UP FORESEEN AT EU LEVEL

5.1. No need for regulatory follow-up at EU level

REASON FOR REMOVED CONCERN	
The concern could be removed because	Tick box
Clarification of hazard properties/exposure	х
Actions by the registrants to ensure safety, as reflected in the registration dossiers(e.g. change in supported uses, applied risk management measures, etc.)	

The initial grounds for concern were clarified after in depth evaluation of the data available in the registration dossier and after evaluation of the full study reports.

Reprotoxicity:

On 16 March 2015, the registration dossier was updated. Amongst others, a 2-generation reproductive toxicity study with Di(2-ethylhexyl)terephthalate (read-across) was added to the dossier.

In a first step the eMSCA could conclude that the read-across approach with 2-ethylhexan-1-ol (used for multiple endpoints) applied by the registrant seemed plausible. It should be noted that a substance evaluation for this substance was performed by Poland and the conclusions regarding this evaluation are available on the ECHA website.

In a second step, the data in the registration dossier were analysed (as well as some of the full study reports).

After evaluation of all available information, no concern was identified for reproductive toxicity justifying the request for further information under the substance evaluation process or regulatory action. The registration dossier however lacked data on the reproductive toxicity enpoints with the registered substance itself or even with the acceptable read-across substance 2-ethylhexanol. Only tests with Di(2-ethylhexyl)terephthalate (2-generation study) and 2-ethylhexanoic acid (OECD 422) were

available. There is remaining uncertainty about the acceptability of the read-across with these substances as explained further in this document.

Other parts of the dossier (like environment) were also briefly analysed and no additional concern was identified.

Exposure/wide dispersive use and professional/consumer use:

On 16 March 2015, the registration dossier was updated with a thorough risk assessment (including RCR values).

No further concern was identified.

5.2. Other actions

NA

6. TENTATIVE PLAN FOR FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS (IF NECESSARY)

Not applicable, see section 5.

Part B. Substance evaluation

7. EVALUATION REPORT

7.1. Overview of the substance evaluation performed

2-ethylhexyl acetate was originally selected for substance evaluation in order to clarify concerns about:

- Exposure/wide dispersive use :

The substance is used by professionals and by consumers. The CSR however doesn't contain any calculated RCR values.

For workers it is stated by the registrant that the hazard skin irritation is not quantifiable with the available data and that therefore a qualitative assessment for a low hazard substance was performed based on the REACH guidance document for a low hazard substance. The registrant states that by the implementation of all the given risk management measures (RMMs) and operation conditions (OCs), all identified uses for workers are considered as safe.

- Consumer use :

For consumers the registrant states that product mixtures which do not fulfill the requirements for a classification as skin irritating item (R38/ skin irritation Cat. 2) as described in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, chapter 3.2.3, represent no hazard which is

relevant for classification and were therefore considered as safe for use of consumers. Additionally, dermal contact to consumer products has to be minimized by appropriate article design.

- Reprotoxicity :

A study according to OECD 414 performed with 2-ethylhexan-1-ol shows potential concern for developmental toxicity.

There are no tests on reproductive toxicity available in the dossier with the registered substance.

During the evaluation no other concerns were identified.

Table 3

EVALUATED ENDPOINTS	
Endpoint evaluated	Outcome/conclusion
Exposure/wide dispersive use	Concern not substantiated. No further action
Consumer use	Concern not substantiated. No further action
Reprotoxicity	Read-across with 2-ethylhexan-1-ol seems plausible. This substance was evaluated by Poland (CoRAP 2014) and the conclusion document is available on the ECHA website. Read-across with 2-ethylhexanoic acid and Di(2-ethylhexyl)terephthalate however were only considered as indicative information. Based on the information provided by the registrant, no concern for reprotoxicity could be identified that would merit a request for further information under the substance evaluation process or risk management measures.

7.2. Procedure

On 10 March 2015 the registrant was contacted and full study reports were requested.

On 17 March 2015 the evaluation officially started.

The lead registration dossier was updated on 16 March 2015.

Most full study reports were received in April 2015.

The initial evaluation concentrated on the acceptability of the read-across. The readacross applied with 2-ethylhexan-1-ol seemed plausible, while the read-across with 2ethylhexanoic acid and Di(2-ethylhexyl)terephthalate was was only considered as indicative information.

The available data were evaluated for human health and environment although the main focus was on the human health part, while the environment part was only briefly analysed. After evaluation, there was no remaining concern for human health and no additional concern was identified for the environment.

Furthermore, no further concern regarding the exposure or risk assessment was identified.

7.3. Identity of the substance

Table 4

SUBSTANCE IDENTITY	
Public name:	2-ethylhexyl acetate
EC number:	203-079-1
CAS number:	103-09-3
Index number in Annex VI of the CLP Regulation:	NA
Molecular formula:	$C_{10}H_{20}O_2$
Molecular weight range:	172.2646
Synonyms:	Trade names on dissemination website :
	Acetic acid, 2-ethylhexyl ester (7CI, 8CI, 9CI)
	1-Hexanol, 2-ethyl-, acetate (6CI)
	.betaEthylhexyl acetate
	2-Ethyl-1-hexanol acetate
	2-Ethyl-1-hexyl acetate
	2-Ethylhexyl acetate Octyl acetate

Type of substanceX Mono-constituentImage: Multi-constituentImage: UVCB

Structural formula:

O Ac Bu-Ét

Read-across was applied with the following three substances:

SUBSTANCE IDENTITY

Public name:	2-ethylhexan-1-ol
EC number:	203-234-3
CAS number:	104-76-7
Index number in Annex VI of the CLP Regulation:	NA
Molecular formula:	C ₈ H ₁₈ O

SUBSTANCE IDENTITY

Public name:	2-ethylhexanoic acid
EC number:	205-743-6
CAS number:	149-57-5
Index number in Annex VI of the CLP Regulation:	Repr. 2; H361d: Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
Molecular formula:	C ₈ H ₁₆ O ₂

SUBSTANCE IDENTITY	
Public name:	Di(2-ethylhexyl)terephthalate (DEHT)
EC number:	229-176-9
CAS number:	6422-86-2
Index number in Annex VI of the CLP Regulation:	NA
Molecular formula:	C ₂₄ H ₃₈ O ₄

7.4. Physico-chemical properties

Table 5

OVERVIEW OF PHYSICOCHEMICAL PROPERTIES	
Property	Value
Physical state at 20°C and 101.3 kPa	Liquid at 20°C and 101.3kPa
Vapour pressure	0.31 hPa at 25°C (the lowest value from selected data for this endpoint in the registration dossier)
	EPI Suite estimation: 2.30E-01 mmHg at 25°C
Water solubility	3.9 mg/L at 20°C and pH 6.1 EPI Suite estimation: 38.59 mg/L at 25°C EU Method A.6: column elution method

	Conclusion: substance is slightly soluble (0.1-100 mg/L)
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Kow)	Log Kow = 4.3 at 25° C
	OECD 107 (shake-flask method)
	EPI Suite estimation value of 3.74 (no data available on pH)
Flash point	71°C at 1013 hPa
Auto-flammability	268°C at 1013 hPa
Flammability	Not flammable
Explosive properties	Non-explosive
Oxidising properties	Non-oxidising
Granulometry	NA: non solid or granular form
Dissociation constant	NA: No ionic structure
Viscosity	1.3 mPa·s (dynamic) at 20°C

7.5. Manufacture and uses

7.5.1. Quantities

Table 6

AGGREGATED 1	TONNAGE (PER Y	EAR)		
🗆 1 – 10 t	🗆 10 – 100 t	🗆 100 – 1000 t	🗆 1000- 10,000 t	🗆 10,000-50,000 t
□ 50,000 - 100,000 t	□ 100,000 - 500,000 t	□ 500,000 - 1000,000 t	□ > 1000,000 t	☑ Confidential

7.5.2. Overview of uses

Table 7

USES

	Use(s)
Uses as intermediate	/
Formulation	Formulation and (re)packaging of substances and mixtures, distribution of substance, formulation, transfer of substance or preparations
Uses at industrial sites	Use in coatings (paints, lacquers, inks, adhesives), use as laboratory reagent, use as solvent and cleaning agents, use as intermediate, use in oil and gas field and production operations
Uses by professional workers	Use as solvent and in cleaning agents, use in coatings (paints, inks, lacquers, adhesives), use as laboratory reagent, use as co-formulant in plant protection products
Consumer Uses	Use in coatings (paints, lacquers, inks, adhesives), solvents and cleaning agents, lubricants, consumer care products, co-formulant in plant production products
Article service life	/

7.6. Classification and Labelling

7.6.1. Harmonised Classification (Annex VI of CLP)

NA

7.6.2. Self-classification

• In the registration(s):

Skin irrit. 2; H315: Causes skin irritation

• The following hazard classes are in addition notified among the aggregated self-classifications in the C&L Inventory:

Not classified

Eye irrit. 2; H319: Causes serious eye irritation

Aquatic chronic 2; H411: Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

7.7. Environmental fate properties

7.7.1. Degradation

7.7.1.1. Abiotic degradation

7.7.1.1.1. Phototransformation in air

Table 8. Studies on phototransformation in air

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
EPIWIN SRC AOP v1.91 PHOTOCHEMICAL REACTION WITH OH RADICALS - Concentration of OH radicals: 500000 malagula (cm3	Half-life (DT50): 35h	2 (reliable with restrictions) key study estimated by calculation Test material	Registration dossier
molecule/cm ³ - Degradation rate constant: 0.00000000010948 cm ³ /molecule-sec		(EC name): 2-ethylhexyl acetate	
 Temperature for which rate constant was calculated: 25 °C Calculated t 1/2 is based on a 24 h day 			

Based on calculations with AOPWIN v1.91, the substance is photodegradable in air with a half-life of 35 hours.

7.7.1.1.2. Hydrolysis

NA

7.7.1.1.3. Phototransformation in water NA

7.7.1.1.4. Phototransformation in soil NA

7.7.1.2. Biodegradation

7.7.1.2.1. Biodegradtion in water

 Table 9. Screening tests for biodegradation in water

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
OECD Guideline 301 B (Ready Biodegradability: CO ₂ Evolution Test) GLP	readily biodegradable 70 % Degradation after 28 d	1 (reliable without restriction) key study experimental result Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	Registration dossier

The registrant(s) concluded the substance is readily biodegradable, and based on the available information, the eMSCA can support this conclusion.

7.7.1.2.2. Biodegradation in soil

NA

7.7.2. Environmental distribution

7.7.2.1. Adsorption/desorption

Table 10. Studies on adsorption/desorption

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
adsorption (soil) SRC PCKOCWIN v1.66	Koc: 222	2 (reliable with restrictions)	Registration dossier
calculation	log Koc: 2.35	key study estimated by calculation	
		Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	
EPISUITE 4.1 KOCWIN v2.00	Koc : 188.5 L/kg (MCI method) Log Koc: 2.275 (MCI method)	2 (reliable with restrictions) estimated by calculation	eMSCA
	Koc : 847.6 L/kg (Kow method) Log Koc: 2.928 (Kow method)	Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	

The Log Koc was calculated with PCKOCWIN v1.66 and resulted in a log Koc value of 2.35. A calculation with EPISUITE resulted in similar results with values of 2.275 (MCI method) and 2.928 (Kow method).

7.7.2.2. Volatilisation

Table 11. Studies on volatilisation

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Henry's Law constant SRC HENRYWIN v3.10		2 (reliable with restrictions) key study estimated by calculation Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	Registration dossier

Henry's law constant at 25°C was estimated to be 128,7 Pa m3/mole by SRC HENRYWIN v3.10.

7.7.2.3. Distribution modelling

Calculated by the registrant(s) according to Mackay, Level I (2007) : Air : 71.6% Water : 15.4% Soil : 6.57% Sediment : 6.64% Biota : 0%

7.7.3. Bioaccumulation

7.7.3.1. Aquatic bioaccumulation

Table 12.	Studies o	n aquatic	bioaccumulation
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Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Estimation of bioconcentration:	BCF: 7.08 logBCF corrected 0.85	2 (reliable with restrictions)	Registration dossier
* BASIS FOR CALCULATION OF BCF	±0.90	weight of evidence	
- Estimation software: BCF base-line model v02.08 of OASIS		estimated by calculation	
CATALOGIC v5.11.15		Test material (EC name): 2-	

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
- SMILES codes used for calculation		ethylhexyl acetate	
O=C(OCC(CCCC)CC)C			
Estimation of bioconcentration:	BCF: 57.34 (method: consensus)	2 (reliable with restrictions)	Registration dossier
* BASIS FOR CALCULATION OF BCF	log BCF: 1.76 (method: consensus)	weight of evidence	
- Estimation software: US EPA T.E.S.T. v4.1		(Q)SAR Test material	
* Applied QSAR estimation methods:		(EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	
- Hierarchical method :			
- FDA method			
- Single model method :			
- Group contribution method			
- Nearest neighbor method			
 Consensus method = average of the predicted toxicities from the above QSAR methods 			
Estimation of	BCF: 202.4 L/kg	2 (reliable with	Registration dossier
bioconcentration:	log BCF: 2.1306	restrictions)	dossier
* BASIS INFORMATION		weight of evidence	
- Measured logKow of 4.2		(Q)SAR	
* BASIS FOR CALCULATION OF BCF		Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl	
 Estimation software: BCFBAF Program (v3.01) (part of EPI Suite v4.11) 		acetate	
Estimation of	log BCF: 1.42 (CAESAR)	2 (reliable with	Registration
	BCF: 26 L/kg (CAESAR)	restrictions)	dossier
* BASIS INFORMATION :	log BCF: 2.13 (MEYLAN)	weight of evidence	

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 Measured/calculated logPow: measured (4.2) BASIS FOR CALCULATION OF BCF : - BCF model (CAESAR) (version 2.1.13) BCF model (Meylan) (version 1.0.2) BCF Read-Across (version 1.0.2) 	Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Calculated using VEGA	logPow: measured (4.2) * BASIS FOR CALCULATION OF BCF : - BCF model (CAESAR) (version 2.1.13) - BCF model (Meylan) (version 1.0.2) - BCF Read-Across (version 1.0.2)	log BCF: 2.47 (Read- across)	calculation Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl	

The measured log Kow of the substance was 4.2, which would indicate that the substance has a potential to bioaccumulate.

Predictions of the BCF value using different QSAR models result in values ranging from 26 to 292. These values are relatively low and would indicate that the substance has a limited bioaccumulation potential.

The registrant(s) concluded that based on all available data in a weight-of-evidence approach, significant accumulation of 2-ethylhexyl acetate in organisms is not expected, and based on the available information, the eMSCA can support this conclusion.

7.8. Environmental hazard assessment

7.8.1. Aquatic compartment (including sediment)

7.8.1.1. Fish

7.8.1.1.1. Short term toxicity in fish

Table 13. Short-term effects on fish

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Oncorhynchus mykiss	LC50 (96 h): 8.27	1 (reliable	Registration
freshwater	mg/L test mat. (meas. (arithm.	without restriction)	dossier
semi-static	mean))	key study	
OECD Guideline 203 (Fish, Acute Toxicity Test)		experimental result	
GLP		Test material (EC name): 2-	

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
		ethylhexyl acetate	
Oncorhynchus mykiss	LC50 (96 h): > 4.5	1 (reliable	Registration
freshwater	mg/L test mat. (nominal)	without restriction)	dossier
flow-through		supporting study	
OECD Guideline 203 (Fish, Acute Toxicity Test)		experimental result	
GLP		Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	

The registrant(s) concluded that fish are the most sensitive species revealing a LC50(96h) of 8.27 mg/L and that 2-ethylhexylacetate can be considered acutely toxic to aquatic organisms. The eMSCA can support this conclusion.

7.8.1.1.2. Long term toxicity to fish

NA

7.8.1.2. Aquatic invertebrates

7.8.1.2.1. Short term toxicity to aquatic invertabrates

Table 14. Short-term effects on aquatic invertebrates

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Daphnia magna	EC50 (48 h): 22.9 mg/L test mat.	1 (reliable without	Registration dossier
freshwater	(meas. (arithm. restriction) mean))		
semi-static	incuriy)	key study	
OECD Guideline 202 (Daphnia sp. Acute Immobilisation Test)		experimental result	
GLP		Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	

7.8.1.2.2. Long term toxicity to aquatic invertebrates

NA

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7.8.1.3. Algae and aquatic plants

Table 15	. Effects	on algae a	nd aquatic plants
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Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Selenastrum capricornutum (new name: Pseudokirchnerella	ErC50 (72 h): > 21.9 mg/L test mat.	2 (reliable with restrictions)	Registration dossier
<i>subcapitata)</i> (algae)	(meas. (arithm. mean)) NOErC (72 h):	key study	
freshwater	10.3 mg/L test mat. (meas. (arithm.	experimental result	
static	mean))	Test material	
OECD Guideline 201 (Alga, Growth Inhibition Test)		(EC name): 2- ethylhexyl	
GLP		acetate	

7.8.2. Terrestrial compartment

No information available.

7.8.3. Microbiological activity in sewage treatment systems

Table 16. Effects on micro-organisms

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
activated sludge, domestic	EC50 (180 min): > 1000 mg/L test mat.	1 (reliable without	Registration dossier
freshwater	(nominal)	restriction)	
static		key study	
OECD Guideline 209 (Activated Sludge, Respiration Inhibition Test)		experimental result	
GLP		Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	

7.8.4. PNEC derivation and other hazard conclusions

Table 17. Hazard assessment conclusion for the environment

Compartment	Hazard conclusion	Remarks/Justification
Freshwater	PNEC aqua	Assessment factor: 1000
	(freshwater): 0.00827 mg/L	Extrapolation method: assessment factor
		Acute tests for all three trophic levels are available. The justification based on the LC50 (96h) of fish (8.27 mg/L).
Marine water	PNEC aqua	Assessment factor: 10000
	(marine water):	Extrapolation method: assessment factor
	0.000827 mg/L	The justification based on the freshwater data.
Sediments	PNEC	Extrapolation method: partition coefficient
(freshwater)	sediment (freshwater): 0.213 mg/kg sediment dw	PNEC sediment was derived using the equilibrium partitioning method (input data: Koc = 222 and PNECaqua = 0.00827 mg/L).
Sediments	PNEC	Extrapolation method: partition coefficient
(marine water)	sediment (marine water): 0.0213 mg/kg sediment dw	PNEC sediment marine was derived using the equilibrium partitioning method (input data: Koc = 222 and PNECaqua marine = 0.000827 mg/L).
Sewage		Assessment factor: 100
treatment plant	mg/L	Extrapolation method: assessment factor
		No effect of respiration inhibition observed up to 1000 mg/L.
Soil	PNEC soil:	Extrapolation method: partition coefficient
	0.0377 mg/kg soil dw	PNEC soil was derived using the equilibrium partitioning method (input data: Koc = 222, PNECaqua = 0.00827 mg/L and Henry`s Law constant =128.7 Pa m3/mol).

7.8.5. Conclusions for classification and labelling

The registrant(s) proposed no self classification for environment. The eMSCA agrees to this.

7.9. Human Health hazard assessment

7.9.1. Toxicokinetics

Absorption:

The experts of the Scientific Panel on Food Additives, Flavourings, processing Aids and materials in Contact with Food state that 2-ethylhexyl acetate is hydrolysed in the GI tract prior to absorption but that there is no experimental evidence of this.

COSMOS-SkinPermPred model predicts the skin permeability coefficient (Kp) for organic compounds, based on the calculated molecular volume and octanol-water partition coefficient (Kow). The predicted Kp of 2-EHAc is 0.0206 cm/hr. The Derwim model uses the molecular weight and the log Kow to estimate the Kp for compounds in water. The estimated kp is 0.0515 cm/hr (Derwim v.2.02)

Metabolism:

Experts within various fora state that in general, aliphatic linear and branched-chain esters of aliphatic linear satured carboxylic acids are anticipated to be readily hydrolysed in humans to their component alcohols and carboxylic acids (IPCS 1998; JECFA, 1998)

The rat liver S9 simulator in the OECD (Q)SAR Toolbox (v.3.3) gives 4 potential metabolites for 2-EHAc : 2-ethylhexan-1-ol, acetic acid, 2-ethylhexanal and 2-ethylhexanoic acid. The estimated toxic hazard classification of the four substances is low (Cramer class I). The HSDB database states that ethylhexanol has the same relative low degree of toxicity as 2-ethylhexyl acetate (HSDB, 1995).

The OECD SIAM task force who evaluated 2-ethylhexyl acetate states that acetate esters of primary alcohols undergo rapid hydrolysis. The reaction is catalysed by esterases and proteases found in mammalian tissue and gastric fluids (SIAM, 2010). The rapid and complete hydrolysis of 2-EHAc to 2-ethylhexan-1-ol as primary metabolite has been demonstrated to occur *in vitro* within blood (half-life 2.3 minutes) and *in vivo* (no more information available). Metabolism data in humans for 2-ethylhexyl acetate are not available (SIAM, 2010).

Excretion:

When acetate is administered to animals, only a small amount can be recovered from the urine (Smyth D.H., 1946).

7.9.2. Justification for read-across

Toxicokinetics of 2-ethylhexan-1-ol:

Absorption: The hydrolysis products acetic acid and 2-ethylhexan-1-ol of 2-ethylhexyl acetate are rapidly absorbed in the GI tract (EFSA, 2008; IPCS, 1998). *In vitro* percutaneous adsorption of 2-ethylhexan-1-ol was measured using full thickness rat skin and human stratum corneum (Barber, 1992). The absorption rates were 0.22 ± 0.09 mg/cm²/hr for rat skin and 0.038 ± 0.014 mg/cm²/hr for human skin. So the ratio rat/human was 5.78, indicating that the human skin is less permeable for the 2-ethylhexan-1-ol than the rat skin. The measured permeability constant (Kp) was 2.59 10⁻⁴ cm/hr for rat skin and 4.54×10^{-5} cm/hr for human skin. The predicted Kp is higher : 0.01525 cm/hr in COSMOS-SkinPermPred and 0.019 cm/hr in Dermwin v2.02 (In comparison the predicted Kp of 2-EHAc is 0.0206 cm/hr and the estimated kp by Derwim v.2.02 is 0.0515 cm/hr).

Metabolism: The hydrolysis of 2-ethylhexyl acetate to 2-ethylhexan-1-ol is rapid. The subsequent metabolism of 2-ethylhexan-1-ol to 2-ethylhexaldehyde is presumed to occur with subsequent oxidation of the aldehyde intermediate to 2-ethylhexanoic acid. Metabolism and toxicokinetics studies with 2-ethylhexan-1-ol have demonstrated the presence of 2-ethylhexanoic acid in the plasma as well as glucuronide conjugates and oxidation products of 2-ethylhexanoic acid metabolism in the urine (SIAM, 2010).

Excretion: Deisinger (1994) evaluated the excretion following oral, dermal and intravenous application (oral: single dose: 50 and 500mg/kg, repeated dose: 50mg/kg; dermal 1g/kg; intravenous application 1mg/kg) and revealed that all of the oral doses were eliminated rapidly, predominantly in the urine during the first 24h following dosing. The dermal dosing resulted in only about 5% absorption of the 1g/kg dose, with the major portion of the dose recovered unabsorbed from the dermal exposure cell at 6h. The available data show that excretion of 2-ethylhexyl metabolites is almost complete within 24-48hours.

Read across:

Taking the above described toxicokinetics based arguments the use of 2-ethylhexan-1-ol studies for the evaluation of potential systemic toxicity of 2-ethylhexyl acetate is overall accepted and applied in the report.

Additionally general knowledge on the indications for rapid hydrolysis of primary alcohols in acetate esters of primary alcohols, supported by short time measured hydrolysis rates in vitro, read across from 2-ethylhexan-1-ol to 2-ethylhexyl acetate can be accepted for the evaluation of systemic effects from exposure to 2-ethylhexyl acetate.

Moreover the European Commission's joint Research Center (DG JRC) has published a report on the list of compounds and their associated LCI (lowest concentration of interest) (JRC, 2013) and for the determination of the LCI of 2-ethylhexyl acetate the report states that read across from 2-ethylhexan-1-ol has to be applied. The task Force of the OECD-SIAM (2010) is under the impression that the toxicity information of 2-ethylhexan-1-ol is an appropriate surrogate for identifying hazards associated with systemic exposures to 2-ethylhexyl acetate. Also EFSA and IPCS accept that 2-ethylhexyl acetate is rapidly hydrolysed and that its hydrolysis products acetic acid and 2-ethylhexan-1-ol are rapidly absorbed by the GI tract where they may exert toxicity.

Read across with 2-ethylhexan-1-ol is therefore accepted by the eMSCA for the evaluation of 2-ethylhexyl acetate. For the evaluation of local effects, data on 2-ethylhexyl acetate were available.

<u>di-(2-ethylhexyl)terephthalate (DEHT)</u>

Read-across to DEHT is applied by the registrant(s) to fill the information requirement for the 2-generation reproductive toxicity study.

Barber *et al.*, 1994 analysed the hydrolysis of di(2-ethylhexyl)terephthalate (DEHT) using rat gut homogenate fractions in vitro. DEHT was hydrolysed by the intestinal fraction to 2-ethylhexan-1-ol and terephtalic acid. The half-life for DEHT was 53.3 minutes.

The systemic absorption and metabolism of DEHT was also studied in vivo by administration of [¹⁴C]-DEHT in corn oil by oral gavage (Barber *et al.*, 1994). In the study radioactivity was eliminated in faeces (around 57%), excreted in urine (around 32%) and expired as ¹⁴CO₂ (around 4%). The majority of the material in the faeces was unchanged DEHT (36.6% of the total dose) and 50.5% of the dose was detected as teraphtalic acid in the urine. Excretion was very rapid (peak 10h after administration >95%).

Based on this toxicokinetics information on DEHT, the eMSCA agrees that 2-ethylhexan-1ol is available in the body after DEHT application, but the quantity of 2-ethylhexan-1-ol formed from DEHT might not be sufficient to apply a read-across. In addition the half-time of 53.3 minutes is not sufficiently rapid.

Therefore, during the substance evalution the result of the 2-generation study with DEHT was only considered as indicative information to see whether a concern for reproductive toxicity could be identified for 2-ethylhexyl acetate.

2-ethylhexanoic acid

2-ethylhexanoic acid is one of the major metabolites of 2-ethylhexan-1-ol (Deisinger et al., 1994). Information on the quantity of 2-ethylhexanoic acid formed from 2-ethylhexan-1-ol or the half-time however is not provided.

Therefore, during the substance evaluation the result of the OECD 422 study with 2ethylhexanoic acid was only considered as indicative information to see whether a concern for reproductive toxicity could be identified for 2-ethylhexyl acetate.

7.9.3. Acute toxicity and Corrosion/irritation

Acute toxicity : oral

Table 18 : summary of acute toxicity studies via oral route

Methods	LD50	Remarks	Reference
10 female rats/group	5140 mg/kg Death occurred predominantly within	2 (reliable with restrictions)	Schmidt P, Bachmann W (1969)
By gavage	the first 24h	Key study	
4 doses (unspecified)	Necropsy : unspecific blood congestion in the organs No macroscopic changes	Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl	
No GLP compliance		acetate	
6 male rats/group	Ca. 3000mg/kg	4 (not assignable)	Smyth Jr HF, Carpenter
no control group		Supporting study	CP (1944)
By gavage		Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	

The registrant concludes that the substance is not acutely toxic via the oral route (LD50 of 5140), and based on the available information, the eMSCA can support this conclusion.

Acute toxicity : inhalation

 Table 19 : summary of acute toxicity studies via inhalation route

Methods	Results	Remarks	Reference
Inhalation hazard test (vapour)	0/20 died Slight irritation	3 (not reliable) (inconsistency of information about the concentration of the satured vapour atmosphere)	Schmidt P, Bachmann W (1969)
0 and 7,5 mg/l in 20 female rats /group		Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	

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Inhalation	0/6 died after 15	3 (not reliable)	Smyth Jr
hazard test	min exposure		HF,
(vapour)		Test material (EC name): 2-	Carpenter
	6/6 died after 30	ethylhexyl acetate	CP (1944)
Satured vapor	min exposure		
6 male rats			
No more information available			
Inhalation	0/5 animal died	3 (not reliable) (inconsistency of	Schmidt P,
hazard test		information about the concentration	Bachmann
(vapour)	Slight irritation	of the satured vapour atmosphere)	W (1969)
0 and 7,5 mg/l in 5 male Guinea pigs/group		Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	

3 studies with minimal description of methods and results (reliability 3) and not following a guidance were presented. Two reported no mortality and one indicated the dead of all the tested animals after an exposure period of 30min.

The registrant concludes that the substance is not acutely toxic via the inhalation route. Based on the available information, the eMSCA can support this conclusion.

Acute toxicity : dermal

Table 20 : summary of acute toxicity studies via dermal route

Methods	Results	Remarks	Reference
In guinea pigs (6 per group)	LD50 >17400 mg/kg	4 (not assignable) Experimental result	Smyth Jr HF, Carpenter CP (1944)
No information on the used concentration Type of coverage : occlusive (4 days)		Test material (EC name): 2-ethylhexyl acetate	
In rabbits No information on the dose groups used.	LD50 >5000 mg/kg	4 (not assignable) Experimental result Test material (EC name): 2-ethylhexyl acetate	Opdyke D.L. (1979)

The registrant concludes that the substance is not acutely toxic via the dermal route. Based on the available information, the eMSCA can support this conclusion.

Skin irritation/corrosion

 Table 21 : summary of skin irritation studies

Methods	Results	Remarks	Reference		
Non-human information					
0.5mlin3rabbitsTypeofCoverage:semi-occlusive(4hours)OECD404		1 (reliable without restriction) Key study Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	Registration dossier		
In rabbits Type of coverage : occlusive	Moderately irritant	4 (not assignable) Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	Opdyke D.L. (1979)		
Human information	Human information				
Human patch test 2-ethylhexyl acetate	No irrtitation effect	4	Registration dossier		

Based on the results of the key study (Registration dossier) following OECD Guidance 404 which revealed an erythema score of 2.33 in 2/3 animals and for which the lesions were not fully reversible within 14 days, the test substance fullfills the requirements to be classified as **skin irritant Cat. 2** following CLP Guidance (EC No 1272/2008) (mean value of $\geq 2,3 - \leq 4$ for erythema or for edema in at least 2 of 3 tested animals from gradings at 24, 48 and 72hours after patch removal or inflammation that persists to the end of the observation period normally 14 days in at least 2 animals).

A self classification is proposed by the registrant (**skin irritation Cat. 2 H315 : Causes skin irritation)** and based on the available information, the eMSCA can support this conclusion.

Eye irritation :

 Table 22 : summary of eye irritation studies

Methods	Results	Remarks	Reference

In 3 rabbits Dose : 0.1 ml during 24 hours	Time point 24, 48, 72h Cornea score : 0 of max. 4	1 (reliable without restriction)	Registration dossier
OECD 405	Iris score : 0 of max. 2	Key study	
	Conjunctivae score : 0,67 of max. 3 (fully reversible within 72h)	Test material (EC name): 2-ethylhexyl acetate	
	Chemosis score : 0 of max. 4		
<i>In vitro</i> study	No severe eye irritation	2 (reliable with restrictions)	Registration dossier
Hen eggs	Time until appearance of haemorrhagia and	Supporting	
HET-CAM test according to Luepke N.P. (1985) :	coagulation :	study	
Hen's Egg Chorio allantoic membrane test for irritation potential		Test material (EC name): 2-ethylhexyl acetate	
	Mean 10% in olive oil : > 300 seconds		

The eMSCA concludes that based on the available information there is no concern for eye irritation.

7.9.4. Sensitisation

<u>Skin :</u>

Non-human information :

Table 23 : summary of	skin sensitisation studies
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Methods	Results	Remarks	Reference
QSAR calculation	The QSAR program calculated a negative sensitisation potential of the test substance.	2 (reliable with restrictions) Key study Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	Registration dossier
QSAR calculation	The QSAR program calculated a negative sensitisation potential of the test substance	2 (reliable with restrictions) Supporting study	Registration dossier

		Test material (EC name): 2-	
		ethylhexyl acetate	
Open epicutaneous	No. with positive reactions :	2 (reliable with restrictions)	Klecak G, 1985
test in guinea pigs (6-20 animals/dose)	1 st reading (after 24h challenge) : 0/24 for test group and 0/10 for control	Key study	
Induction (0.1 ml) and	2 nd reading (after 48h challenge) : 0/24 for test group and 0/10 for control	Read-across Test material	
challenge : epicutaneous	Rechallenge : 0/24 for test group and 0/10 for control group	(EC name): octyl acetate	
	Not sensitising	(CAS number : 112-14-1)	
Draize test in 10 guinea	No. with positive reactions :	2 (reliable with retsrictions)	Sharp, DW, 1978
pigs	0.2% : 1 st reading : 0/10 24h after challenge	Key study	
Induction : intradermal (0.5%)	Rechallenge : 0/10 168h after challenge	Read-across	
Challenge : intradermal	20% : 1 st reading : 0/10 24h after challenge	Test material (EC name): 3,5,5-	
(0.2%) and epicutaneous (20%)	Rechallenge : 0/10 168h after challenge	trimethylhexyl acetate (CAS number : 58430-94-7)	
OECD 406	Not sensitising	58450-94-7)	
Open epicutaneous	No. with positive reactions :	2 (reliable with restrictions)	Klecak G, 1985
test in guinea pigs (6-20 animals/dose)	1 st reading (after 24h challenge) : 0/24 for test group and 0/10 for control group	Supporting study	
Induction and challenge : epicutaneous	2 nd reading (after 48h challenge) : 0/24 for test group and 0/10 for control group	Read across Test material	
	Rechallenge : 0/24 for test group and 0/10 for control group	(EC name): hexyl acetate (CAS number :	
	Not sensitising	142-92-7)	
Open epicutaneous	No. with positive reactions :	2 (reliable with restrictions)	Klecak G, 1985
test in guinea pigs (6-20 animals/dose)	1 st reading (after 24h challenge) : 0/24 for test group and 0/10 for control group	Supporting study	
Induction and challenge : epicutaneous	2 nd reading (after 48h challenge) : 0/24 for test group and 0/10 for control group	Read-across Test material	
		(EC name):	

	Rechallenge : 0/24 for test group and 0/10 for control group Not sensitising	nonyl acetate (CAS number : 143-13-5)		
Open epicutaneous test in guinea pigs (6-20 animals/dose)		2 (reliable with restrictions) Supporting study	Klecak G 1985	,
Induction and challenge : epicutaneous	2 nd reading (after 48h challenge) : 0/24 for test group and 0/10 for control group Rechallenge : 0/24 for test group and 0/10 for control group Not sensitising	Read-across Test material (EC name): heptyl acetate (CAS number : 112-06-1)		

Human information :

Table 24 : summary of human information for skin sensitisation

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Maximization test with human volunteers General population (29 healthy subjects) Patch site pre-tested (5% aqueous sodium lauryl sulphate) Following 10-14d rest period, challenge patches applied for 48 hours	2-ethylhexyl acetate (4%) in petrolatum did not produce any skin sensitisation reaction	4 (not assignable) Key study Experimental result Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	Opdyke DL, 1979
Survey in occupational population (7 male and female dental technicians) Patch tests applied for 24hours Observations directly, 48, 78 and 144 hours after removal	2-ethymhexyl acetate (1%) in petrolatum did not produce any reaction	4 (not assignable) Supporting study Experimental result Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	Estlander T et al, 1984
Survey in occupational population (7 patients sensitized to dental composite resin	Exposure to 2-ethylhexyl acetate (0.5%) caused no effect in 5 subjects	4 (not assignable) Supporting study	Karneva L et al, 1989

products)		Experimental result	
Patch tests for 24 hours		Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	
3 Maximization test with human volunteers General population (25, 4 and 26 volunteers)	First test : exposure to 4% of tested substance in petrolatum produced one sensitisation reaction among the 25 subjects Second test : the same exposure produced no sensitisation reaction among 24 volunteers Thirth test : the same exposure did not produce any sensitisation reaction	4 (not assignable) Supporting study Read-across Test material (EC name): 3,5,5- trimethylhexyl acetate (CAS number : 58430- 94-7)	Registration dossier
Maximization test with human volunteers Patch tests under occlusion for 48 hours General population (29 healthy subjects)	2-ethylhexan-1-ol (4%) in petrolatum did not produce any skin sensitisation reaction	4 (not assignable) Supporting study Read-across Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexan-1-ol (CAS number : 104-76-7)	Opdyke L 1979
Study with vonlunteers Test substances were tested either in human maximization test or human repeat insult patch test General population	 4% Hexyl acetate : not a skin sensitiser 2% heptyl acetate : not a skin sensitiser 8% octyl acetate : not a skin sensitiser 2% nonnyl acetate : not a skin sensitiser 	4 (not assignable) Supporting study Read-across Test material (EC name): Hexyl acetate, heptyl acetate, octyl acetate, nonyl acetate	Klecak G, 1985

There were no OECD Guideline study available with 2-ethylhexyl acetate or 2-ethylhexan-1-ol. However, there was human information which revealed that 2-ethylhexyl acetate and 2-ethylhexan-1-ol did not produce skin sensitisation reactions. Some studies conducted with similar substances (hexyl acetate, heptyl acetate, ...) did not show a skin sensitisation effect either.

The eMSCA concludes that based on the available information and weight of evidence there is no concern for skin sensitization nor does the assessment warrant classification as skin sensitiser.

7.9.5. Repeated dose toxicity

<u> Oral :</u>

Table 25 : summary of repeated dose toxicity studies via oral route

Methods	Results	Remarks	Reference
Rat (10/sexe/group) Subchronic (90D) 0, 25, 125, 250, 500 mg/kg by gavage OECD 408	No clinical signs or mortality <u>Bw gain :</u> decrease (p<0.01) in both sexes at 500 mg/kg (6-7%) <u>Haematology :</u> increase in reticulocyte numbers at 500 mg/kg (25%) <u>Clinical chemistry :</u> in males at 500 mg/kg : decrease protein and albumin concentration (13%). In females at 500 mg/kg : decrease serum cholesterol (16%) <u>Relative organ weight :</u> Brain : significant increase in males at 500 mg/kg Kidneys : significant increase in both sexes at 250 and 500 mg/kg Liver : significant increase in both sexes at 250 and 500 mg/kg Stomach : significant increase in both sexes at 500mg/kg (and also at 250 mg/kg in females) Testes : significant increase at 500 mg/kg	1 (reliable without restriction) Key study Read-across Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexan- 1-ol (CAS number : 104-76-7)	Astill BD. Et al. (1996)

	Ovaries : significant decrease at 250 mg/kg								
		Males			Females				
	Mg/kg	0	250	500	0	250	500		
	Brain	0.68	0.7	0.72**	1.07	1.1	1.1		
	kidneys	0.69	0.75**	0.81**	0.77	0.81*	0.82**		
	liver	2.77	2.98**	3.57**	2.67	2.88**	3.07**		
	Stomach	0.57	0.58	0.63**	0.71	0.75*	0.82**		
	Testes	1.11	1.16	1.17*					
	Ovaries				0.041	0.037*	0.039		
	* p0.05; **	p0.01					<u> </u>		
	<u>Histopatho</u> changes (a								
					y significa		-		
	hepatic c (peroxisom	yanide-i	nsensitiv						
	NOAEL : 2								
Mouse	Mortality :			250mg/k	<u>70</u>			1 (reliable	Astill BD.
(10/sexe/group)	<u>BW</u> : no di			25011g/ k	.y			without restriction)	Et al. (1996)
Subchronic (90D)	Hematolog			mictry	na diffaran	CO		Key study	(1990)
	<u>nematolog</u>	<u>y anu Ci</u>		<u>:iiiiStiy :</u>					
								Read-across	

0, 25, 125, 250 and 500mg/kg	Relative organ weight : Stomach : increase in both sexes at 500 mg/kg (males : 1.03** vs 0.76; females : 1.12** vs 0.87) (already at 250 mg in females (1.03**)	Test material (EC name):
OECD 408	Liver : increase in both sexes at 500 mg/kg (males : 4.23** vs 3.43; females : 4.16** vs 3.48) (and in males at 250 mg/kg 3.82*)	2- ethylhexan- 1-ol (CAS number : 104-76-7)
	<u>Histopathology</u> : forestomach : 500 mg/kg : moderate focal or multifocal acanthosis (in 2 males and 1 females) NOAEL : 250 mg/kg	

The eMSCA concludes that based on the available information there is no concern for repeated dose toxicity via oral route.

Inhalation :

 Table 26 : summary of repeated dose toxicity studies via inhalation route

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Rat (10/sexe/dose)	No treatment related effects	1 (reliable without restriction)	Klimisch H-J. et al. (1998)
Subchronic (90D)	NOAEC : 120 ppm	Key study	
0, 15, 40 and 120 ppm (0, 0.08, 0.213, 0.640 mg/l)		Read-across	
OECD 413		Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexan-1-ol (CAS number : 104-76-7)	
Rat (30 females treated and 20 males for control)	Hematology : decrease number of leucocytes (p <0.002) and number of lymphocytes (p <0.01) directly after the last exposure but not 4 weeks post-exposure	3 (not reliable) Experimental result	Schmidt P and Bachmann W, 1969

Subacute (20 days)	Organ weight : weight of spleen and ovaries were lowered in treated animals (respectively : p<0.05 and p<0.01)	Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexyl acetate	
0, 75 mg/l	LOAEL 7.5 mg/l		

The eMSCA concludes that based on the available information there is no concern for repeated dose toxicity via inhalation route.

<u>Dermal :</u>

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Rat (females : 6 controls and 12 treated)	NOAEL ≥1070 mg/kg (local and systemic)	2 (reliable with restrictions)	Schmidt P and Bachmann W, 1969
Subacute (12D)	No significant differences were observed between	Weight of evidence	
0, ca 1070	treated and control animals	Experimental result	
mg/kg bw/d		Test material (EC name): 2-	
Type of coverage : open		ethylhexyl acetate	

The eMSCA concludes that there is no concern for repeated dose toxicity via dermal route.

7.9.6. Mutagenicity

In vitro data :

 Table 28 : summary of in vitro mutagenicity studies

Method	Test results	Remarks	Reference
Bacterial reverse mutation assay (e.g. Ames test) (gene mutation) S. typhimurium TA 1535, TA1537, TA98 and TA 100 (met. act. : with and without) S. typhimurium TA 1538 (met. act. : with and without) Doses : 10, 100, 500, 1000 and 5000 µg/plate Comparable to OECD 471	typhimurium TA1535, TA1537, TA98 and TA100 with and without met. act. (cytotoxicity : yes (5000 µg/plate; 1000	restrictions) Key study	Registration dossier

Mammalian cell gene mutation assay (gene mutation) Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) (with and without met. act.) Doses : without met. act. : 20, 50, 100, 200, 250 and 300 nl/ml With met. act. : 100, 200, 250, 300, 350 and 400 nl/ml	Negative for Chinese hamster ovary with and without met. act. Cytotoxicity : 400 nl/ml	1 (reliable without restriction) Key study Read-across Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexan-1- ol (CAS number : 104-76-7)	Registration dossier
Comparable to OECD 476			
DNA damage and repair assay, unscheduled DNA synthesis in mammalian cells <i>in vitro</i> (DNA damage and/or repair) Hepatocytes from fisher rats without met. act. Doses : 2.5, 5, 10, 25, 50, 100, 250, 500 and 1000 nl/ml Comparable to OECD 486	Negative for hepatocytes Cytotoxicity : 500 nl/ml	1 (reliable without restriction) Key study Read-across Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhexan-1- ol (CAS number : 104-76-7)	US EPA (1987)

Gene mutation in bacteria: A GLP conform Ames test was performed with S. typhimurium TA1535, TA1537, TA98 and TA100. 2-ethylhexan-1-ol did not increase the number of revertants in any strain and was therefore not mutagenic in the Ames test. Cytotoxicity was observed generally in the highest dose.

Gene mutation in mammalian cells : a GLP conform HGPRT test was performed with Chinese hamster ovary cells. 2-ethylhexan-1-ol did not increase the mutant frequencies at the HGPRT test and was therefore considered as inactive in this test. Cytotoxicity was observed at 400 nl/ml.

Cytogenicity in mammalian cells: a GLP conform UDS study was performed with rat hepatocytes. 2-ethylhexan-1-ol did not increase the levels of unscheduled DNA synthesis in rat hepatocytes and was therefore considered as inactive in the UDS test. Cytotoxicity was observed at \geq 500 nl/ml.

In vivo data :

Table 29 : summary of in vivo mutagenicity studies

Method	Test results	Remarks	Reference
Micronucleus assay	Genotoxicity :	1 (reliable without restriction)	Registration
(chromosome aberration)	negative		dossier

Mouse male/female 456 mg/kg bw (acute treatment); 2 X 456 mg/kg bw/d (multiple treatment) Comparable to OECD 474		Key study Read-across Test material (EC name): 2-ethylhexan- 1-ol (CAS number : 104-76-7)	
Chromosome aberration assay (chromosome aberration) Rat male Oral : gavage 0.02, 0.07 and 0.21 ml/kg bw/d (corresponding to 16.6, 58.1 and 174.3 mg/kg bw/d) Examination of bone marrow arrested in C- metaphase Comparable to OECD 475	Genotoxicity : negative Toxicity : no effects	1 (reliable without restriction) Key study Read-across Test material (EC name): 2-ethylhexan- 1-ol (CAS number : 104-76-7)	Registration dossier

Cytogenicity : a GLP conform micronucleus test was performed in B6C3F1 mice. With one exception (multiple treatment males), there was no significant difference in percentage micronucleated polychromatic erythrocytes between animals dosed with the substance and the control animals. 2-ethylhexan-1-ol was not considered to be clastogenic in this study.

A GLP conform chromosome aberration assay was performed in rats. 2-ehtylhexan-1-ol did not cause aberrations in rat bone marrow cells and was therefore considered as inactive under the conditions of this assay.

The eMSCA concludes that based on the available information there is no concern for mutagenicity.

7.9.7. Carcinogenicity

<u> Oral :</u>

 Table 30 : summary of carcinogenicity studies via oral route

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Mouse (50/sexe/dose)	Mortality : increase at 750 mg/kg (30% at 76 weeks vs 6% in other groups)	1 (reliable without restriction)	Astill BD. Et al. (1996)
Gavage : 0 (vehicle), 0	<u>Bw</u> : statistically significant decrease (in males -5% at 200 mg and -12% at 750 mg and in females -14% at 750 mg)	Key study	. ,

(water), 50, 200, 750 mg/kg bw/d	Food consumption : statistically significant reduced at 750 mg in both sex	Read-across Test	
18 months	<u>Haematology :</u> no treatment related differences	material (EC name):	
OECD 451	<u>Organ weight :</u> 750 mg/kg :	2- ethylhexan -1-ol (CAS	
	Stomach : significantly (p<0.01) increase (males +16%, females +19%)		
	Brain : significantly (p<0.01) increase (males +7%, females +12%)		
	Liver : significantly (p<0.01) increase (females +21%)		
	Kidneys : significantly (p<0.01) increase (females +13%)		
	Testis : significantly (p<0.01) increase (+13%) (and slightly significantly increase at all other doses)		
	<u>Histopathology</u> : non-neoplastic : 750 mg : significantly increase incidence of changes in lung (congestion +18%** in males and +20%* in females) and in liver (congestion +14%** in males; peripheral fatty infiltration +62%** in males and +44%** in females; basophilic foci +12%* in females)		
	Neoplastic : 750 mg : significantly increase incidence of liver carcinoma in females (10%)(compared with the vehicle control but not with the water control, and this was attributed to the toxicity (fatty infiltration))		
	NOAEL (carcinogenicity): 750 mg/kg		
	LOAEL (toxicity) : 750 mg/kg		
-	NOAEL (toxicity) : 200 mg/kg		
Rat (50/sexe/dose) Gavage : 0	<u>Mortality</u> : dose related in females (+52% at 500 mg) (in males : not dose related mortality at 500 mg (38%) exceeded by that at 50 mg (46%))	1 (reliable without restriction)	Astill BD. Et al. (1996)
(water), o (vehicle), 50,	<u>Clinical signs :</u> dose related increase poor	Key study	
150 and 500 mg/kg bw/d	general condition (lethargy, labored breathing,)	Read-across Test	
24 months OECD 451	\underline{Bw} : statistically significant differences from controls (in males -5%, -11% and -	material (EC name): 2-	
		ethylhexan	

NOAEL (toxicity) : 150 mg/kg		23% and in females n.a., -9% and -21% respectively at 50, 150 and 500 mg) <u>Haematology :</u> 500 mg : increase incidence of anisocytosis at 12months (in 9 males/46) <u>Relative organ weights :</u> stomach : increase (50 mg : F 6%, 150 mg M 7% and F 9%, 500 mg : M 21% and F 20%) Liver : increase in females (150 mg : 11% and 500 mg 13%) Kidneys : increase (150 mg : M 22% F 7%, 500 mg : M 19% F 14%) Brain : increase (19% at 150 and 500 mg in both sex) Testis : increase at 500 mg (21%) <u>Histopathology :</u> non-neoplastic : significantly increase incidence of changes at high dose group in stomach, liver, lung, spleen, lymph nodes and prostate Neoplastic : no increase incidence of neoplastic lesions NOAEL (carcinogenicity) : 500 mg/kg LOAEL (toxicity) : 500 mg/kg	-1-ol (CAS number : 104-76-7)	
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The eMSCA concludes that based on the available information there is no concern for carcinogenicity via oral route.

7.9.8. Toxicity to reproduction (effects on fertility and developmental toxicity)

Effects on fertility :

Table 31 : summary of fertility effects

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Rats (30/sexe/dose) <u>Feed</u> : 0, 3000, 6000, 10000 ppm	Parental F0 : Mortality : 10000 ppm : 3 females	2 (reliable with restrictions) Key study	Faber et al. (2007)

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in diet equivalent to :	Body weight : 10000 ppm : slightly reduced at termination (5% in males and 12% during gestation in females)	Read- across
In mg DEHT/kg bw/d (males/females) : F0 : 0, 133- 182/184-478,	Food consumption : 1000 ppm : stat significantly reduced throughout gestation and	Test material (EC name): Bis(2-
265-367/372-940, 447-614/595- 1030	<u>Organ weight</u> : ≥6000 ppm : increase relative liver weight in females	ethylhexyl) terephthal
F1 : 0, 159- 256/206-516, 320-523/423- 1036 and 552- 893/697-1549	Somes other statistically significant decrease were observed but disappeared when compared relative to the bw (suggests that the difference were due to the decrease bw) <u>Histopathology</u> : no test substance related	ate (DEHT) (CAS number : 6422-86- 2)
In mg 2-EH/kg bw/d (males/females) :	changes <u>Parental F1 :</u>	
F0 : 0 44-61/61- 159, 88-122/124-	<u>Mortality</u> : 10000 ppm : 7 females <u>Body weight</u> : 10000ppm : reduced at	
313, 14-205/198- 450 F1 : 0 53-	termination (-13% and -6%, respectively in males and females)	
85/87-172, 104- 174/141-345 and 184-298/232-516	6000 ppm : decrease at termination (males -6% and -6.5% in females)	
Exposure : Parental F0 : 70 consecutive days (for males : before		
mating, throughout mating	6000 ppm : slightly reduced in both sexes	
until scheduled necropsy (6-10 days after	<u>Organ weight</u> : ≥6000 ppm : increase relative liver weight in females	
weaning of litter); for females : before mating, throughout	Somes other statistically significant decrease were observed but disappeared when compared relative to the bw (suggests that the difference were due to the decrease bw)	
mating, gestation and lactation until scheduled necropsy)	Histopathology : no test substance related changes	
	Offspring F1	
Parental F1 : according to the treatment of F0 test animals	Body weight : ≥6000 ppm : decrease postnatal pup bw	
	Relative organ weight : at PND 21 :	
OECD 416 (two- generation reproduction toxicity study)	≥6000 ppm : increase for brain (+12 and +25 at 6000 (only in females) and 10000 ppm)	

	10000 ppm : decrease spleen weight in males (13%)		
	Developmental landmarks : 10000 ppm : delay of 2 days of balanopreputial separation		
	Necropsy : no observed changes		
	Reproductive parameters : unaffected		
	Litter parameters : unaffected		
	Sperm parameters : no modification		
	Offspring F2		
	Body weight : \geq 6000 ppm : decrease postnatal pup bw		
	Relative organ weight : 10000 ppm : decrease spleen weight (8% in males and 11% in females), increase brain weight (23-25% in both sexes), decrease thymus weight (only in females, 12%)		
	Necropsy : no observed changes		
	Reproductive parameters : unaffected		
	Litter parameters : unaffected		
	Sperm parameters : no modification		
	NOAEL (parental toxicity) : 3000 ppm		
	NOAEL (reproduction) : 10000 ppm		
	NOAEL (developmental toxicity) : 3000 ppm		
Rats (10/sexe/dose)	Mortality and clinical signs : no effects	1 (reliable without	Registratio n dossier
Feed : 1538, 4615	<u>Bw and food consumption :</u> high dose group : decrease (up to 10% at the end of gestation)	restriction)	
and 15385 mg/kg diet (corresponding	Fertility and reproductive performance : no effects on the incidences of liveborn, stillborn	Supporting study	
respectively to 82- 86, 248-253 and 761-797 mg/kg	pups, viability indices of pups, sex-ratio's and pup observations	Read- across	
bw/d in males and 107-116, 308-351	<u>Weight of pups :</u> high dose group : decrease on PND 4 (14%) considered treatment related	Test material	
and 809-1146 mg/kg bw/d in females	<u>Haematology</u> : high dose group : in females : lower values for mean corpuscular volume, mean corpuscular haemoglobin concentration,	(EC name): 2- ethylhexa noic acid (CAS	
Premating period of 2 weeks, during		(CAS	

mating, gestation	reticulocytes, total white blood cells,	number :	
and lactation until PND 4 to 7)	monocytes and absolute number of neutrophils	149-57-5)	
OECD 422	NOAEL P (maternal toxicity) : 4615 mg/kg diet		
(combined repeated dose	NOAEL P (fertility) : 15385 mg/kg diet		
toxicity study with the reproduction/deve lopmental toxicity screening test)	NOAEL F1 (developmental) : 4615 mg/kg diet		
2-ethylhexanoic acid (a potential metabolite of 2- EHAc)			

There is no study available assessing the effect of 2-ethylhexylacetate or 2-ethylhexanol on fertility. The above two studies on DEHT and on 2-ethylhexanoic acid in addition to the results of the 90 day repeated dose toxicity study (see paragraph 7.9.5) were taken into account to verify whether on the basis of the available data a concern for reproductive toxicity could be identified.

Bis(2-ethylhexyl) terephthalate

No effect of DEHT on fertility was seen in the study of Faber et al. (2007).

Based on the toxicokinetics profile of DEHT as clarified under section 7.9.2, the eMSCA agrees that 2-ethylhexan-1-ol is available in the body after DEHT application, but the half-time of 53.3 minutes is not very rapid and the quantity of 2-ethylhexan-1-ol formed from DEHT might not be sufficient to apply read-across.

Therefore, during the substance evalution the result of the 2-generation study with DEHT was only considered as indicative information to see whether a concern for reproductive toxicity could be identified for 2–ethylhexyl acetate.

2-ethylhexanoic acid

No effect of 2-ethylhexanoic acid on fertility was seen in the OECD 422 study.

2-ethylhexanoic acid is one of the major metabolites of 2-ethylhexan-1-ol (Deisinger et al., 1994). No information on the quantity of 2-ethylhexanoic acid formed from 2-ethylhexan-1-ol or on the half-time is provided.

Moreover, it should be noted that 2-ethylhexanoic acid shows effects on development (harmonised classification as Repr. 2, H361d), while no effects on development were observed with 2-ethylhexanol. Therefore, the substances likely don't have the same toxicity pattern.

Therefore, during the substance evaluation the result of the OECD 422 study with 2ethylhexanoic acid was only considered as indicative information to see whether a concern for reproductive toxicity could be identified for 2-ethylhexyl acetate.

Additional information: 90-day study on 2-ethylhexan-1-ol

In the 90-day repeated dose toxicity study the relative weight of testes at 500 m/kg/day was increased and that of ovaries decreased at 250 mg/kg/day (but not at 500 mg/kg/day). Due to the lack of a dose response relationship and the lack of histopathological changes in testes or the ovaries, the changes in weight alone are not seen as adverse.

Based on this study, no concern for fertility was detected.

Comment by the evaluating member state:

Based on the available information, no concern for fertility was identified. It should be noted that no studies addressing specifically the fertility of 2-ethylhexyl acetate nor 2-ethylhexan-1-ol were available.

Developmental toxicity :

Table 32 : summary of developmental effects

Method	Result	Remarks	Refere nce
Rats, Gavage : single application on GD 12 (0, 6.25, 12.5 mmol/kg (833, 1666 mg/kg)	 833 mg/kg : slight increase in malformed foetuses (2% vs 0% in control) 1666 mg/kg : decrease mean fetal bodyweight (3.5 g vs 4.1 g in control) and 22% of foetuses showed malformation (hydronephrosis, tail anomalies, anomalies of the extremities) (vs 0% in control) No information on maternal toxicity 	3 (not assignabl e) Read- across Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhex an-1-ol (CAS number : 104-76- 7)	Ritter EJ. Et al. (1987)
Mouse (50 females) Gavage : 0 and 1525 mg/kg Exposure : GD 7 through 14	1525 mg/kg : mortality (17 females died), clinical signs (languidity, ataxia, coldness to touch, wet stains), decrease bodyweight, reproductive index, mean number of live pups per litter, litter weight and mean pup viability per litter. The mean percent of dead pups was greater than in controls.	3 (not reliable) Read- across Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhex an-1-ol (CAS number :	Hardin BD et al, 1987

		104-76- 7)	
Mouse (28 females/gr oup) feed 0, 17, 59 and 191 mg/kg bw/d Exposure : GD 0 through 17 OECD 414 (Prenatal developme ntal toxicity study)	No maternal, developmental or teratogenicity toxicity at all doses. NOAEL (maternal toxicity, developmental toxicity, teratogenicity) : 191 mg/kg bw/d	1 (reliable without restriction) Weight of evidence Read- across Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhex an-1-ol (CAS number : 104-76- 7)	Tyl et al. (1991)
Rat (10 females/gr oup) Gavage : 0 (water), 0 (vehicle), 130, 650 and 1300 mg/kg bw/d Exposure : GD6 through GD15 OECD 414 (prenatal developme ntal toxicity study)	Maternal effects :1300 mg/kg bw/d : 6 females died, significant decrease bodyweight (308.9 g vs 375.0 g in control) and food consumption, pronounced clinical signs (abdominal or lateral position, apathy, CNS depression, nasal discharge, salivation), significant macroscopy modifications (discoloration of liver and lung, lung edema and emphysema, distinctly reduced mean uterus weight (32.9 g vs 77.7 g in controls))650 mg/kg bw/d : 2 females with piloerectionEmbryo and teratogenic effects :1300 mg/kg bw/d : fetal bodyweight markedly reduced (2.86 g vs 3.8 g), increase early resorptions (7.8 vs 1.0 in controls), high postimplantation loss (54.7% vs 8.2% in controls), increase incidences of skeletal changes (malformations (17.9% vs 1.4%), variations (71% vs 32%) and retardations (54% vs 26%))650 mg/kg bw/d :Fetal weight3.83.823.83.442.86 **	4 (not assignabl e) Weight of evidence Read- across Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhex an-1-ol (CAS number : 104-76- 7)	Hellwig J. and Jäckh R. (1997)

	No. (and	1	2	3	7	5**		
	%) of foetuses	(0.8)	(1.4)	(2. 3)	(5.5)	(17.9)		
	with			5)				
	malformati ons							
	No. (and	1	2 (20)	3	4	2		
	%) of	(11)	2 (20)	(30	(44)	(100		
	litters with malformati))		
	ons							
	No. (and	46	46	41	49	20		
	%) of foetuses	(37)	(32)	(32)	(39)	(71) **		
	with variations							
		8	10	9	8	2		
	%) of	89)	(100)	(90	89)	(100		
	litters with variations))		
	No. (and	28	38	31	51	15		
	%) of foetuses	(23)	(26)	(24)	(40)	(54) **		
	with			,				
	retardation s							
	No. (and	8	10	8	9	2		
	%) of litters with	(89)	(100)	(80)	(100)	(100)		
	retardation			,	,			
	S							
	For fetal bowy weight, historical control data (for that strain of rats in this laboratory) a mean feta							
	body weight was 3.9 ± 0.5 .							
	NOAEL (maternal toxicity, embryotoxicity,							
	teratogenicity) : 650 mg/kg bw/d							
Rats (15 females)	No effect exc and reduced		uced feed weight				2 (reliable with	Nelson et al.
Inhalation :	gestation	,		J	(_0 /0)	a ann g	restriction	(1989)
850 mg/m3	No embryo o	r teratog	genic effe	ects				
Exposure :	NOAEC : 850	mg/m3					Weight of evidence	
GD 1 through 19							Read-	
OECD 414							across	
(prenatal							Test	
developme							material (EC	
							name):	

ntal toxicity study)		2- ethylhex an-1-ol (CAS number : 104-76- 7)	
Rats (8 females/do se group in the preliminary test and 25 females per dose group in the main test) Dermal 0, 0.3, 1.0, 3.0 ml/kg bw/d (0, 252, 840, 2520 mg/kg bw/d) Exposure : GD 6 through 15 OECD 414 (prenatal developme ntal toxicity study)	<u>Mortality or clinical signs</u> : no effects <u>Body weight gain</u> : 2520 mg : decrease No adverse effect on maternal gestational parameters, maternal organ weight, fetal weight, sex ratio, viability, or the incidence of malformations and variations. NOAEL (maternal toxicity) : 840 mg/kg bw/d NOAEL (developmental and teratogenicity) : 2520 mg/k g bw/d	1 (reliable without restriction) Weight of evidence Read- across Test material (EC name): 2- ethylhex an-1-ol (CAS number : 104-76- 7)	Tyl et al. (1992)

The different studies with 2-ethylhexan-1-ol reveal evidence of adverse effect of this substance on development at very high doses causing also strong toxic effects in dams and thus these effects can be considered as a consequence of the maternal toxicity. The studies for which there were no maternal effects, no embryotoxicity or teratogenicity were observed.

Summary of reproductive toxicity :

The eMSCA concludes that based on the currently available information there is no concern for reproductive toxicity (fertility and developmental toxicity).

7.9.9. Hazard assessment of physico-chemical properties

Not evaluated.

7.9.10. Selection of the critical DNEL(s)/DMEL(s) and/or qualitative/semi-quantitative descriptors for critical health effects

Not evaluated.

7.9.11. Conclusions of the human health hazard assessment and related classification and labelling

Based on the available data, the eMSCA agrees with the self classification:

Skin irrit. 2; H315: Causes skin irritation

7.10. Assessment of endocrine disrupting (ED) properties

Not evaluated.

7.11. PBT and VPVB assessment

P: The substance degraded 70% within 28 days in a ready biodegradability test. The substance is not P.

B: With a measured log Kow of 4.2, the substance almost meets the screening criterion for B. However, calculated BCF values are well below 2000. The substance is probably not B.

T: None of the aquatic toxicity tests meet the screening criterion for T. The most sensitive species was fish with a LC50 of 8.27 mg/L. The substance is probably not T.

Based on the available information, the evaluating MSCA agrees with the conclusion of the registrant(s) that 2-ethylhexyl acetate is not PBT.

7.12. Exposure assessment

Not evaluated.

7.13. Risk characterisation

Based on the available information in the registration dossier, no risk for workers, consumers or the environment could be identified for any of the chosen scenarios.

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7.15. Abbreviations

2-EH : 2-ethylhexan-1-ol

- 2-EHAc : 2-ethylhexyl acetate
- BE CA : Belgian Competent Authority
- Bw : body weight
- CORAP : community Rolling Action plan
- CSR : Chemical safety Report
- DEHT : di (2-ethylhexyl) terephthalate
- DNEL : derived No Effect Level
- ECHA : The European Chemicals Agency
- ED : Endocrine Disruptor
- EFSA : The European Food Safety Authority
- eMSCA : The Evaluating Member State Competent Authority
- GI : gastro-intestinal
- GLP : Good Laboratory Practice
- IPCS : International Programme on Chemical Safety
- Kow : octanol-water partition coefficient
- Kp : skin permeability coefficient
- LCI : Lowest Concentration of Interest
- LD50 : Lethal Dose 50
- LOAEC : Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Concentration
- LO(A)EL : Lowest Observed (Adverse) Effect Level
- NA : Not applicable
- NOAEC : No Observed Adverse Effect Concentration
- NO(A)EL : No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level
- OECD : Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
- Ppm : Parts Per Million
- QSAR : Quantitative Structure-Activity Relationship
- RCR : Risk Characterisation Ratio
- Rel. : Reliability

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- RSSs : Robuste Study Summaries
- SVHC : Substance of Very high Concern
- UDS : Unscheduled DNA Synthesis
- US EPA : the United States Environmental Protection Agency