CLH report

Proposal for Harmonised Classification and Labelling

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Part A.

1 PROPOSAL FOR HARMONISED CLASSIFICATION AND LABELLING

1.1 Substance

Table 1:Substance identity

Substance name:	Penflufen
EC number:	Not allocated
CAS number:	494793-67-8
Annex VI Index number:	Not yet assigned
Degree of purity:	≥ <i>98%</i>
Impurities:	There are a number of process impurities, these have been taken into account but are not considered to impact on the proposed classification. Please refer to the IUCLID for full details.

1.2 Harmonised classification and labelling proposal

Table 2: The current Annex VI entry and the proposed harmonised classification

	CLP Regulation
Current entry in Annex VI, CLP Regulation	Not currently listed
Current proposal for consideration by RAC	Carc 2; H351 – Suspected of causing cancer Aquatic Acute 1; H400: Very toxic to aquatic life,
	Acute M factor = 1 Aquatic Chronic 1; H410: Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects,
Resulting harmonised classification (future entry in Annex VI, CLP	Chronic M factor = 1 Carc 2; H351 – Suspected of causing cancer
Regulation)	Aquatic Acute 1; H400: Very toxic to aquatic life, Acute M factor = 1
	Aquatic Chronic 1; H410: Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects, Chronic M factor = 1

1.3 Proposed harmonised classification and labelling based on CLP Regulation and/or DSD criteria

CLP	Proposed classification according to the CLF Regulation Proposed SCLs Commute Descent for a				
Annex I ref	Hazard class	Proposed classification	and/or M- factors	Current classification ¹⁾	Reason for no classification ²⁾
2.1.	Explosives	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
2.2.	Flammable gases	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
2.3.	Flammable aerosols	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
2.4.	Oxidising gases	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
2.5.	Gases under pressure	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
2.6.	Flammable liquids	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
2.7.	Flammable solids	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
2.8.	Self-reactive substances and mixtures	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
2.9.	Pyrophoric liquids	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
2.10.	Pyrophoric solids	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
2.11.	Self-heating substances and mixtures	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
2.12.	Substances and mixtures which in contact with water emit flammable gases	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
2.13.	Oxidising liquids	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification

Table 3:Proposed classification according to the CLP Regulation

		Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for
2.14.	Oxidising solids	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	classification
2.15.	Organic peroxides	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
2.16.	Substance and mixtures corrosive to metals	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
3.1.	Acute toxicity - oral	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
	Acute toxicity - dermal	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
	Acute toxicity - inhalation	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
3.2.	Skin corrosion / irritation	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
3.3.	Serious eye damage / eye irritation	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
3.4.	Respiratory sensitisation	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	Data lacking
3.4.	Skin sensitisation	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
3.5.	Germ cell mutagenicity	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
3.6.	Carcinogenicity	Carc 2; H351 – Suspected of causing cancer	Not applicable	Not classified	-
3.7.	Reproductive toxicity	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
3.8.	Specific target organ toxicity -single exposure	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
3.9.	Specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
3.10.	Aspiration hazard	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification
4.1.		Aquatic Acute 1; H400	Acute M factor = 1		
		-	Chronic M factor = 1	Not classified	-
5.1.	Hazardous to the ozone layer	Not classified	Not applicable	Not classified	conclusive but not sufficient for classification

¹⁾ Including specific concentration limits (SCLs) and M-factors ²⁾ Data lacking, inconclusive, or conclusive but not sufficient for classification

Labelling:

Pictogram(s):	GHS08, GHS09
Signal word:	Danger
Hazard statements:	H351: Suspected of causing cancer
	H410: Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects,
Precautionary statements:	Precautionary statements not included in Annex VI
Proposed notes assigned to an entry:	None

2 BACKGROUND TO THE CLH PROPOSAL

2.1 History of the previous classification and labelling

Penflufen is a fungicidal active substance that was approved for use as a plant protection product under Directive 91/414/EEC with the UK as the Rapporteur Member State (Regulation EU 1031/2013). In addition penflufen is being evaluated as a new biocidal active substance, for use as a wood preservative, in scope of Regulation (EU) 528/2012. Penflufen is also a new biocidal active substance for use as a wood preservative, in scope of Regulation (EU) 528/2012. The substance is not listed on Annex VI of CLP and has not previously been reviewed for harmonised classification and labelling in the EU.

At the time of the submission the substance is not registered under REACH.

2.2 Short summary of the scientific justification for the CLH proposal

Penflufen does not meet the criteria for classification for physical hazards.

The acute oral and dermal LD_{50} values were above those relevant for classification. Via the inhalation route, the 4hr LC_{50} was reported to be > 2.02 mg/L with 2.02 mg/l being the maximum achievable concentration. Therefore, the criteria for classification for acute toxicity via the inhalation route are not met. Signs of toxicity observed after single exposure were transient and did not lead to any significant functional changes. Further, there were no signs of respiratory tract irritation or narcotic effects. As such, the criteria for classification for STOT-SE are not met. No signs of skin irritation were observed and only minimal and reversible signs of eye irritation (conjunctival redness and chemosis with scores below those relevant for classification) were observed. As such the criteria for classification are not met. In a Guinea Pig maximisation test, positive responses were noted in 25% of tested animals. This is below the 30% considered for a positive result and, as such, the criteria for classification are not met. There is no data to inform on respiratory sensitisation.

Following repeated-exposure, the most sensitive target organ was found to be the liver. Changes in the liver were seen in all species tested (rats, mice and dogs) but in most cases these findings occurred at doses that were higher than the relevant guidance value for classification for STOT RE; the exception being the 28-day rat and 28-day dog studies. It is concluded that the liver effects at doses below the guidance values for classification were minimal and there was no consistent or conclusive evidence of hepatotoxicity. Exocrine single cell necrosis was reported in the pancreas in a 90 day rat study at doses relevant for classification. The same finding was noted in male rats only in the 1 year study, but there was no evidence of damage to the pancreas in the 2 year rat study at comparable doses. Further, no findings in the pancreas were reported in the mouse or dog studies. Overall, it is concluded that the effects seen in the rat studies were likely to be incidental and do not indicate a severe or significant toxic effect in the pancreas. Overall, it is considered that the effects are not met.

The available data indicate that penflufen is not mutagenic *in vitro* or *in vivo* and therefore the criteria for classification are not met.

There were small increases in the incidence of hepatocellular adenoma in males and female rats. There was also an increased incidence of liver carcinoma in male mice treated with penflufen in the top and mid dose groups that exceeded the concurrent and historical control incidence rates. In addition, very small increased incidences of tumours in the ovary, haematopoietic system and brain were observed in rats administered penflufen. The increased tumour frequencies were slight, only just outside control ranges and they could have arisen by chance. The increased frequencies of non-hepatic tumours were only evident in rats and some of the increases were of benign tumours only. A clear mechanistic basis for penflufen carcinogenicity is lacking (the possibility that a mode of action involving CAR activation was responsible for the slight increases in liver cancer has not been established unequivocally). If penflufen did produce a biologically significant tumour response in rats and mice, this was very weak. A case could be made for no classification, on the basis of a lack of relevance to humans. However, as discussed in detail in this proposal, relevance to humans cannot be dismissed for all the tumour types and the small increases above background levels make it difficult to conclude that they were incidental. Under these circumstances, the data appear to match the criteria for a Category 2 classification. Therefore it is proposed to classify penflufen with **Carc 2; H351 – Suspected of causing cancer**. This is in line with the EFSA conclusion (EFSA Journal 2012;10(8):2860), which raised concern for classification with Carc 2; based on the presence of these tumours.

There was no evidence that penflufen had a specific effect on fertility, sexual function or reproduction. Penflufen did not result in any adverse effects on developmental toxicity in the rat. In rabbits, an increase in dead fetuses in the high-dose group occurred together with maternal toxicity. In conclusion, there was no evidence that penflufen had a specific effect on development. Overall the criteria for classification are not met and it is not proposed to classify for reproductive toxicity.

For the purpose of classification, penflufen is considered not rapidly degradable and is not considered to have potential to bioaccumulate.

Aquatic acute toxicity data on penflufen are available for fish, invertebrates, algae and aquatic plants. Fish are the most acutely sensitive trophic group with Common Carp (*Cyprinus carpio*) marginally the most sensitive followed by Fathead Minnow (*Pimephales promelas*). The lowest acute value is a 96-hour LC_{50} is 0.103 mg a.s./l. On this basis penflufen should be classified as Aquatic Acute 1; H400 – Very toxic to aquatic life, with an M factor of 1.

Adequate chronic toxicity data on penflufen are available for fish, invertebrates, algae and aquatic plants. The lowest value is a 35-day NOEC for Fathead Minnow (*Pimephales promelas*) of 0.0234 mg a.s./l. Given this is in the range 0.01 to 0.1 mg/l and the substance is considered non-rapidly degradable, penflufen should be classified as Aquatic Chronic 1; H410 – Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects, with an M factor of 1.

This is in line with the environmental classification in the EFSA conclusion.

2.3 Current harmonised classification and labelling

Not currently listed on Annex VI.

2.4 Current self-classification and labelling

2.4.1 Current self-classification and labelling based on the CLP Regulation criteria

The following entries were provided in the Classification and Labelling Inventory at the time of submission.

Classific	ation	Labelling		Number
Hazard Class and Category Code(s)	Hazard Statement Code(s)	Hazard Statement Code(s)	Pictograms, Signal Word Code(s)	
Aquatic Acute 1 Aquatic Chronic 1	H400 H410	H400 H410	GHS09 Wng	30
Aquatic Acute 1 Aquatic Chronic 1	H400 H410	H410	GHS09 Wng	23
Aquatic Acute 1 Aquatic Chronic 1	H400 H410	H410	GHS09 Wng	1

3 JUSTIFICATION THAT ACTION IS NEEDED AT COMMUNITY LEVEL

Penflufen is a fungicidal active substance. In 2013 under Regulation EU 1031/2013, a positive opinion was given to approve penflufen as a plant protection product under Council Directive 91/414/EEC with the UK as the Rapporteur Member State. It is also in the process of being evaluated for use in the EU as a fungicidal seed treatment on wheat and barley.

Penflufen is also a new biocidal active substance for use as a wood preservative, in scope of Regulation (EU) 528/2012.

In accordance with Article 36(2) of Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, penflufen should be considered for harmonised classification and labelling. As there is no existing entry in Annex VI of CLP, all hazard classes are considered in this proposal.

Part B.

SCIENTIFIC EVALUATION OF THE DATA

1 IDENTITY OF THE SUBSTANCE

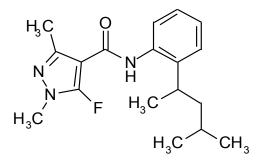
1.1 <u>Name and other identifiers of the substance</u>

EC number:	Not allocated
EC name:	Not allocated
CAS number (EC inventory):	Not listed
CAS number:	494793-67-8
CAS name:	1H-Pyrazole-4-carboxamide, N-[2-(1,3-dimethylbuyl)phenyl]-5-fluoro-1,3- dimethyl-
IUPAC name:	2'-[(<i>RS</i>)-1,3-dimethylbutyl]-5-fluoro-1,3- dimethylpyrazole-4- carboxanilide*
CLP Annex VI Index number:	Not applicable
Molecular formula:	C ₁₈ H ₂₄ FN ₃ O
Molecular weight range:	317.41 g/mol

Table 4:Substance identity

* As included in the EFSA conclusion.

Structural formula of penflufen:



1.2 <u>Composition of the substance</u>

Table 5: Constituents (non-confidential information)

Constituent	Typical concentration	Concentration range	Remarks
Penflufen (Racemic mixture)	≥ 98%		In the DAR and the approval notice the minimum purity was $> 95\%$ but in full-scale production the purity of the specification has increased to $> 98\%$.

Current Annex VI entry: Not listed.

Table 6: Impurities (non-confidential information)

Impurity	Typical concentration	Concentration range	Remarks
All impurities are confidential	Process impurities are individually present at < 2%		

There are a number of impurities in the technical material. These have been taken into consideration and are not considered to impact on the classification proposed in this dossier. Further information on the impurities is considered to be confidential but further details are provided in the technical dossier.

Current Annex VI entry: A number of impurities have a harmonised classification in Annex VI of CLP (refer to the IUCLID for full information). However, given the concentration at which they are present and the data available on penflufen, they are not considered to individually contribute to the classification.

Table 7: Additives (non-confidential information)AdditiveFunctionTypical concentrationConcentration rangeRemarksNoneIIIIIII

Current Annex VI entry: Not applicable.

1.2.1 Composition of test material

The material used in the available studies is considered to be equivalent to the material outlined above.

1.3 <u>Physico-chemical properties</u>

The physiochemical properties of penflufen are summarised below. Further reference can be found in the Draft Assessment Report (DAR) – Volume 3, Annex B.2: Physical and chemical properties – August 2011 and the Draft Competent Authority Report (dCAR) 2016. All studies were conducted to GLP and are considered to be adequate and reliable.

Property	Value	Reference	Comment (e.g. measured or estimated)
State of the substance at 20°C and 101,3 kPa	Off white powder	Unpublished Study (ref). 2007 DAR B2.1.7/B2.1.8	Observation Purity 99.2%
Melting/freezing point	111.1°C	Unpublished Study (ref). 2007 DAR B.2.1.1	EEC Method A1 Purity 99.2%
Boiling point	Decomposes from 320°C	Unpublished Study (ref). 2007 DAR B.2.1.2	EEC Method A2 Purity 99.2%
Relative density	1.21 at 20 °C	Unpublished Study (ref). 2008 DAR B.2.1.4	EEC Method A3 Purity 99.2%
Vapour pressure	4.1 x 10-7 Pa at 20 °C 1.2 x 10-6 Pa at 25 °C 1.7 x 10-4 Pa at 50 °C Extrapolated	Unpublished Study (ref). 2007 DAR B.2.1.5	EEC Method A4 Purity 99.2%
Surface tension	61.6 mN/m at 20 °C	Unpublished Study (ref). 2009 DAR B.2.1.24	EEC Method A5 Purity 98.1%
Water solubility	11 mg/L at pH 4 10.09 mg/L at pH7 11.2 mg/L at pH9 All at 20 °C	Unpublished Study (ref). 2009 DAR B.2.1.11	EEC Method A6 Purity 99.2%
Partition coefficient n- octanol/water	Log Pow at 25 °C 3.3 at pH4, 7 and 9	Unpublished Study (ref). DAR B.2.1.13.	EEC Method A8 Purity 99.2%
Flash point	Not applicable – melting point is 111.1 °C	-	-
Flammability	The test item could not be ignited, but melted.	Unpublished Study (ref). 2009 DAR B.2.1.20	EEC Method A10 Purity 98.1%
Explosive properties	DSC measurements showed an exothermal decomposition in the temperature range 270- 410oC with an energy of 240 – 330 J/g.	Unpublished Study (ref). 2009 DAR B.2.1.22	EEC Method A14 Purity 98.1%

 Table 8:
 Summary of physico - chemical properties

Self-ignition temperature	No self-ignition was observed up to the maximum test temperature of 403 °C	Unpublished Study (ref). 2009 DAR B.2.1.20	EEC Method A16 Purity 98.1%
Oxidising properties	Maximum burning rate of the test item/cellulose mixture was 1.27 mm/s (40 and 50% penflufen). The maximum burning rate of the reference material (barium nitrate/cellulose mixture) was 1.32 mm/s. Mixtures of test	Unpublished Study (ref). 2009 DAR B.2.1.23	EEC Method A17 Purity 98.1%
	item/Kieselghur were found to propagate combustion. No reaction with barium nitration/Kieselghur.		
	Under an inert atmosphere mixtures of test item/cellulose (45 and 50% penflufen), did not ignite. Mixtures of barium nitrate/cellulose were found to ignite with a burning rate of 0.55 mm/s		
Granulometry	No data	-	-
Stability in organic solvents and identity of relevant	No data	-	-
degradation products	Solubility: Methanol: 126 g/L n-heptane: 1.6 g/L Toluene: 62 g/L Dichloromethane: >250 g/L Acetone: 139 g/L Ethyl acetate: 96 g/L Dimethyl sulfoxide: 162 g/L	Unpublished Study (ref). 2009 DAR B.2.1.12.	EEC A6 Purity 99.2%
Dissociation constant	No dissociation constant was found in aqueous solution. The molecule has no moieties prone to dissociation.	Unpublished Study (ref). 2009 DAR B.2.1.18	OECD 112 Purity 99.2%
Viscosity	Not relevant	-	-

2 MANUFACTURE AND USES

2.1 Manufacture

Penflufen is manufactured in the EU.

2.2 Identified use

Penflufen has been approved for use in the EU as a fungicidal seed treatment on potatoes and is in the process of being evaluated for use in the EU as a fungicidal seed treatment on wheat and barley.

Penflufen is also in the process of being evaluated under Regulation (EU) 528/2012 for use as a biocide in PT 8 in the EU.

3 CLASSIFICATION FOR PHYSICO-CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Table 9:Summary table for re	levant physico-chemical studies
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Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Refer to table 8			

3.1.1 Summary and discussion of physico-chemical properties

DSC measurements showed an exothermal decomposition in the temperature range $270-410^{\circ}$ C with an energy of 240 - 330 J/g.

In a flammability study in accordance with EEC A10, penflufen did not ignite but melted. Experience with handling and use indicates that the substance is not pyrophoric and does not emit flammable gases in contact with water.

In a standard study (EEC A.17), the maximum burning rate of the test item/cellulose mixtures was 1.27 mm/s (with 40 and 50% penflufen). The maximum burning rate of the reference material (barium nitrate/cellulose mixture) was 1.32 mm/s. Given that the burning rate with penflufen was similar to that with the reference material, additional studies were conducted with an inert material (Kieselghur) and under an inert atmosphere. Mixtures of test item/Kieselghur were found to propagate combustion whereas no reaction was noted with the reference material (barium nitrate)/Kieselghur mixture. Under an inert atmosphere, mixtures of test item/cellulose (45 and 50% penflufen) did not ignite. Mixtures of barium nitrate/cellulose were found to ignite with a burning rate of 0.55 mm/s.

3.1.2 Comparison with criteria

A substance is considered for classification as an explosive substance where a positive result is obtained in the test series indicated in figure 2.1.2 of Annex I of the CLP regulation. In a preliminary DSC screen, an exothermal decomposition in the temperature range $270-410^{\circ}$ C with an energy of 240 - 330 J/g was observed. As the decomposition energy was less than 500 J/g and the onset of decomposition was below 500 °C a full study was not required and the substance does not meet the criteria for classification as explosive in accordance with section 2.1.4.3(c) of Annex I of CLP.

A substance (non-metal) is classified as a flammable solid when the burning time is < 45 seconds or the burning rate is > 2.2 mm/s. Penflufen melted but did not ignite on exposure to a flame and therefore, the criteria for classification as a flammable solid are not met.

Experience in handling and use indicates that penflufen is not pyrophoric and does not emit flammable gases on contact with water. Therefore, the criteria for classification in these hazard classes are not met.

A substance is classified as an oxidising solid when the burning time of a sample-to-cellulose mixture is less than or equal to the burning time of the appropriate reference sample. In an initial study the maximum burning rate of the test item/cellulose mixture was 1.27 mm/s, obtained with a 40% and 50% test item/cellulose mixture. This was comparable to the maximum burning rate (1.32 mm/s) obtained with the 55% barium nitrate/cellulose reference material. A further test with an

inert material (Kieselguhr) was conducted. In this, test item/Kieselguhr mixtures were found to propagate combustion whereas the barium nitrate reference material did not. Under an inert atmosphere mixtures of penflufen/cellulose did not ignite whereas the reference material did with a burning rate of 0.5 mm/s. Considering the chemical structure of penflufen (which does contain oxygen and fluorine but only bound to carbon atoms) and the results of the available study, penflufen does not meet the criteria for classification as an oxidising solid.

3.1.3 Conclusions on classification and labelling

Not classified – conclusive but not sufficient for classification

4 HUMAN HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT

Presented below is the key information pertinent to determining a classification position based, primarily, on the UK's review of penflufen in the pesticide Draft Assessment Report (DAR) made under Directive 91/414/EEC. This is also comparable with the assessment of the substance under Regulation (EC) 528/2012, as presented in the Draft Competent Authority Report (dCAR) 2016.

4.1 Toxicokinetics (absorption, metabolism, distribution and elimination)

4.1.1 Non-human information

The toxicokinetics of penflufen have been investigated in rats after single high and low dose administration of radiolabelled penflufen. Toxicokinetics following a single high dose of 200 mg/kg bw had a similar profile to the low dose, with the exception that excretion was slower. No data are available following repeated exposure to penflufen. Other studies (see sections 4.7 and 4.9.3) show that enzyme induction occurs following repeated dosing of penflufen, but without repeat dose metabolism studies it is not known how enzyme induction will affect distribution and metabolism.

Absorption

In rats administered a single oral dose of 2 mg/kg bw radiolabelled penflufen, absorption was rapid ($t_{max} \le 1.5$ hours) and extensive (approximately 93% in bile-cannulated male rats based on levels in carcass, urine and bile after 48 hours).

Distribution

Penflufen was widely distributed with highest concentrations occurring in the liver, kidneys and adrenals of both sexes, and the brown fat and Harderian gland in females.

Metabolism

Penflufen was extensively metabolised in the rat with less than 2% of administered dose excreted as parent compound. A large number of metabolites were detected, accounting for 60 to 95% of administered dose, but all were at levels below 10% (with the exception of a ketone present at levels up to \sim 17% in females). The pattern of metabolites formed was similar at 2 and 200 mg/kg bw and broadly similar in both sexes. Most of the metabolites were demethylated products of the pyrazole ring. Hydroxylation was another major metabolic reaction leading to trihydroxy and dihydroxy compounds.

Excretion

48 hours after administration of 2 mg/kg bw radiolabelled penflufen to male rats, urinary excretion and biliary excretion accounted for 21% and 70% of administered dose, respectively. Rapid excretion in the bile suggests there may be a significant oral 'first-pass' effect in the liver.

A difference between the sexes was noted in the pattern of excretion, with higher urinary excretion occurring in females (up to 59% of dose in females compared with 33% in males 168 hours after a dose of 5 mg/kg bw).

Excretion was rapid with approximately 80% excreted within 24 hours, and was essentially complete by 168 hours post dosing. Plasma concentrations declined to \leq 1% of the maximum concentrations within 72 hours and the plasma elimination half-life was less than 24 hours. There was no evidence of accumulation.

The toxicokinetic profile of penflufen after inhalation and dermal exposure has not been investigated.

4.1.2 Human information

None available.

4.1.3 Summary and discussion on toxicokinetics

The toxicokinetics of penflufen was investigated in single oral dose studies in rats. Penflufen was rapidly and extensively absorbed and distributed. The high levels of biliary excretion provided evidence of 'first-pass' metabolism in the liver. The large number of metabolites identified indicated that penflufen is extensively metabolised.

References: DAR B.6.1 (unpublished studies).

Acute toxicity

Table 10: Summary table of relevant acute toxicity studies

Acute Oral										
Method	LD ₅₀		Ob	servat	tions a	and rer	narl	ks		
Rat: Wistar (6 females)	>2000 mg/kg bw	There were no m adverse effects o	n bo	ody we						
2000 mg/kg bw Purity: 95.6%		observed at necro	opsy	/.						
Vehicle: tap water with 2% Cremophor EL										
OECD 423 GLP										
DAR B.6.2.1 Unpublished Study (ref). (2007a)										
Rat acute neurotoxicity: Crl:WI (Han)	>2000 mg/kg bw	<u>Initial study:</u> There were no m								
Initial study: 12/sex/dose 0/100/500/2000 mg/kg bw	in the table below. There were no effects on body weil no gross pathological findings at necropsy.A microscopic examination of the nervous system did reveal any treatment-related findings.				-					
Follow up study: females only 12/dose 0/25/50 mg/kg bw					n did n	lot				
Purity 95.6%		In both sexes there was a dose-related reduction in motor and locomotor activity in males at 500 and 2000 mg/kg bw, and in females at all dose levels on the day of dosing; these findings were reversible when measured on day 7.				and in				
Vehicle: 0.5% methylcellulose/0.4% Tween 80										
OECD 424		Incidence of sele	ecte	d clin		gns, ob of Penfl				3
GLP		Observation			Aales				emales	
		TT	0	100	500	2000	0	100	500	2000
DAR B.6.7		Urine staining Stiff-legged gait	1 0	0	4	9 0	1 0	1 0	10 4	11 5
Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)		Ataxia	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	5
		Decreased activity	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	5
		<u>Follow-up study:</u> findings.	<u>:</u> No	o mort	alities	and no	trea	atmen	t relat	ed

	Acut	te Inhalation
Method	LC50	Observations and remarks
Rat: Wistar (5/sex/dose) Nose only exposure for 4 hours 2.02 mg/L (dust aerosol) MMAD approx. 4.11 µm, geometric standard deviation 1.67 Purity 95.6%	>2.02 mg/L (the highest technically achievable concentration).	There were no mortalities. Clinical signs in 4 out of 5 animals of each sex persisted for up to 3 days after exposure and consisted of bradypnoea, laboured breathing patterns, reduced motility, piloerection, red incrustations on the nose, gait: high legged, staggering. Rectal temperature after exposure was significantly lower compared with recent control group (35.0 vs. 38.0 °C in males and 34.4 vs. 38.0 °C in females). No abnormalities were observed in the lungs at gross pathological
OECD 403 GLP		examination.
DAR 6.2.3 Unpublished Study (ref). (2007), amended (2008)		
	Ac	ute Dermal
Method	LD50	Observations and remarks
Rat: Wistar, (5/sex/dose) 2000 mg/kg bw moistened with tap water	>2000 mg/kg bw	There were no mortalities, no clinical signs of systemic toxicity, no local signs of irritation and no adverse effects on body weight. No abnormalities were observed at necropsy.
Purity 95.6%		
OECD 402 GLP		
DAR 6.2.2 Unpublished Study (ref). (2007b)		

4.1.4 Non-human information

4.1.4.1 Acute toxicity: oral

Two GLP and guideline-compliant reliable studies are available. In an acute oral study the oral LD_{50} of penflufen was > 2000 mg/kg bw in female rats (males not investigated). In an acute oral neurotoxicity study the LD_{50} of penflufen was > 2000 mg/kg bw in both sexes.

4.1.4.2 Acute toxicity: inhalation

In a GLP and guideline compliant reliable study the oral LC_{50} of penflufen in male and female rats after 4 hours exposure was > 2.02 mg/L (the highest achievable concentration).

4.1.4.3 Acute toxicity: dermal

In a GLP and guideline-compliant reliable study the dermal LD_{50} of penflufen was > 2000 mg/kg bw in male and female rats.

4.1.4.4 Acute toxicity: other routes

No data available.

4.1.5 Human information

No data available.

4.1.6 Summary and discussion of acute toxicity

Refer to section 4.2.1

4.1.7 Comparison with criteria

Via the oral route the LD_{50} can be identified as > 2000 mg/kg bw which is above the value for classification (≤ 2000 mg/kg bw). No classification is required.

Via the inhalation route the LC_{50} after 4 hours exposure can be identified as > 2.02 mg/L following exposure to penflufen as a dust aerosol. The value for classification of a dust/mist is $\leq 5 \text{ mg/L}$ however, since 2.02 mg/L was the maximum achievable concentration no classification is proposed.

Via the dermal route the LD_{50} can be identified as > 2000 mg/kg bw which is above the value for classification (≤ 2000 mg/kg bw). No classification is required.

4.1.8 Conclusions on classification and labelling

Not classified – conclusive but not sufficient for classification.

4.2 Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure (STOT SE)

4.2.1 Summary and discussion of Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure

A summary of the effects observed following single exposure in animal studies is provided in table 10. Also refer to section 4.4.3 for information on respiratory irritation.

There was no evidence of any irreversible or delayed effects following single exposure to penflufen. There were no clinical signs of toxicity in the acute oral study in rats at a dose of 2000 mg/kg bw. Some reversible signs of toxicity were evident in rats in an acute oral neurotoxicity study, however these signs are concluded to be attributable to general acute toxicity. Clinical signs of toxicity were also seen in rats following a four hour inhalation exposure to penflufen as an aerosol dust at the maximum attainable concentration of 2.02mg/L. These signs are probably attributable to general toxicity and exposure to a dust.

There were no indications of neurotoxicity in a 13 week subchronic neurotoxicity study in rats at doses up to 600 mg/kg bw (neurotoxicity is discussed in section 4.11.1.1).

Pathological examination did not reveal any severe target organ effects in any of the studies at necropsy.

4.2.2 Comparison with criteria

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) is defined as specific, non-lethal target organ toxicity arising from a single exposure to a substance.

Classification as STOT-SE1 and STOT-SE 2 is based on evidence associating a single exposure with a consistent and significant toxic effect that could indicate significant functional changes that are more than transient in nature, such as significant organ damage observed at necropsy.

Signs of toxicity were evident following single exposure to penflufen via the oral and inhalation routes in rats, but these were transient and did not lead to any significant functional changes in any organs. Therefore it is concluded that classification as STOT-SE1 or STOT-SE 2 is not justified.

Classification as STOT-SE 3 is reserved for transient target organ effects and is limited to substances that have narcotic effects or cause respiratory tract irritation. According to the CLP classification criteria clinical signs in animals that may indicate narcotic effects may include lethargy, lack of coordination, loss of righting reflex, and ataxia.

There were no conclusive signs of respiratory tract irritation (see section 4.4.3.3) or narcotic effects, therefore it is concluded that classification as STOT-SE 3 is not justified.

4.2.3 Conclusions on classification and labelling

Not classified – conclusive but not sufficient for classification.

4.3 Irritation

4.3.1 Skin irritation

Penflufen's potential to cause skin irritation has been investigated in the rabbit.

Table 11: Summary table of relevant skin irritation studies

Method	Results	Remarks
OECD 404 GLP New Zealand White Rabbits 3 females 4 hours exposure to penflufen, purity 95.6%, moistened with water.	Average score for each animal (mean of 24, 48, 72 h observations) Erythema: 0, 0, 0 Oedema: 0, 0, 0	Not a skin irritant
DAR 6.2.4 Unpublished Study (ref). (2007a)		

4.3.1.1 Non-human information

The skin irritation potential of penflufen has been investigated in one GLP and guideline compliant study conducted in rabbits. No signs of irritation were observed.

4.3.1.2 Human information

No data available.

4.3.1.3 Comparison with criteria

Classification is required where the mean score for erythema or oedema is ≥ 2.3 or ≥ 2 respectively in 2 out of 3 animals (average from observations at 24, 48 and 72 hours) or where effects persist until the end of the observation period. As the mean scores were all O, penflufen does not meet the criteria for classification as a skin irritant.

4.3.1.4 Conclusions on classification and labelling

Not classified – conclusive but not sufficient for classification.

4.3.2 Eye irritation

Penflufen's potential to cause eye irritation has been investigated in the rabbit.

Method	Results	Remarks
OECD 405	Average score for each animal (mean of	All signs of irritation were reversible
GLP	24, 48, 72 h observations)	within 72 h. Not an eye irritant.
New Zealand White Rabbits	Cornea opacity: 0, 0, 0	
3 females	Iris lesion: 0, 0, 0	
Pulverised penflufen, purity 95.6%	Conjunctiva redness: 0.7, 0.7, 0.7	
DAR 6.2.5	Conjunctiva chemosis: 0.3, 0, 0	
Unpublished Study (ref). (2007b)		

 Table 12:
 Summary table of relevant eye irritation studies

4.3.2.1 Non-human information

The eye irritation potential of penflufen has been investigated in a standard guideline-compliant GLP study in rabbits. No effects on the cornea or iris were noted. Redness and chemosis were observed in the conjunctiva in all rabbits but these were fully reversible within 72 hours.

4.3.2.2 Human information

No data available.

4.3.2.3 Comparison with criteria

Mild signs of eye irritation were observed in a guideline-compliant study conducted in rabbits. The mean scores at 24, 48 and 72 hours for each animal using grading according to Draize were 0.7 for conjunctival redness, and a maximum of 0.3 for chemosis. These are below the minimum scores for classification, which are ≥ 2 for conjunctival redness, and ≥ 2 for chemosis (mean individual animal score from observations at 24, 48 and 72 hours). Further, no effects on the cornea or iris were observed. In conclusion penflufen does not require classification as an eye irritant.

4.3.2.4 Conclusions on classification and labelling

Not classified – conclusive but not sufficient for classification

4.3.3 **Respiratory tract irritation**

4.3.3.1 Non-human information

The respiratory tract irritation potential of penflufen has not been investigated directly in animals. Penflufen is not a skin or eye irritant. In an acute inhalation toxicity study (section 4.2), clinical signs seen after exposure to 2.02 mg/L penflufen were bradypnoea, laboured breathing patterns, and red incrustations on the nose. These signs are common observations during acute inhalation studies and may be attributable to mechanical irritation due to inhaling a dust aerosol, and do not necessarily indicate a potential for respiratory tract irritation. Gross pathological examination at necropsy did not reveal any adverse findings in the lungs that would be indicative of an irritant effect. There are no repeat dose inhalation exposure studies conducted on penflufen.

4.3.3.2 Human information

No data available.

4.3.3.3 Comparison with criteria

There is no evidence to indicate that penflufen is a respiratory tract irritant. It is therefore concluded that classification is not required.

4.3.3.4 Conclusions on classification and labelling

Not classified – conclusive but not sufficient for classification.

4.4 Corrosivity

4.4.1 Non-human information

See section 4.4.1.

4.4.2 Human information

No information available.

4.4.3 Summary and discussion of corrosivity

Penflufen did not lead to any signs of corrosion or skin damage in a well-conducted GLP and guideline-compliant skin irritation study conducted in the rabbit (see section 4.4.1). No human data are available.

4.4.4 Comparison with criteria

No signs of corrosivity were observed in a skin irritation study conducted in the rabbit. Penflufen does not require classification as corrosive.

4.4.5 Conclusions on classification and labelling

Not classified – conclusive but not sufficient for classification.

4.5 Sensitisation

4.5.1 Skin sensitisation

One skin sensitisation study has been conducted on Penflufen.

Species/Method	Doses	No. s	sensitised/to	tal no.	Result
Magnusson and	Induction:				Negative.
Kligman	Intradermal: 2.5%		Control	Test	A deficiency in the study was
maximisation test	suspension in	1 st challeng	ge 50%		that the dermal induction dose
	polyethylene glycol 400	48h	0/10	5/20	did not cause any skin
Guinea-pig,		72h	0/10	4/20	irritation. According to
10 controls,	Topical: 50% suspension	2 nd challen	ge 50%		OECD 406 a solution of 10%
20 treated.	in polyethylene glycol	48h	0/10	2/20	sodium lauryl sulphate in
	400	72h	0/10	0/20	Vaseline should have been
Purity 95.6% OECD 406 GLP DAR 6.2.6 Unpublished Study (ref). (2007)	Challenge: 50% suspension in polyethylene glycol 400	Positive con cinnamic ald glycol 400 c of the test.		lyethylene	applied to create local irritation 24h prior to the dermal induction dose.

 Table 13:
 Summary table of relevant skin sensitisation studies

4.5.1.1 Non-human information

Skin sensitisation was investigated in a Magnusson and Kligman maximisation test (an adjuvanttype test) in the guinea-pig. The test was conducted to GLP and followed OECD 406 test guidelines with the exception that the dermal induction dose did not cause any skin irritation (see table above).

At a challenge dose of 50% there was a 25% positive response at first challenge, and a 10% positive response at rechallenge. Signs of irritation were seen following intradermal induction.

4.5.1.2 Human information

No information available.

4.5.1.3 Comparison with criteria

In an adjuvant-type skin sensitisation study conducted in guinea-pigs a positive skin reaction was seen in 25% of animals after first challenge (10% positive response at re-challenge). A response of 30% is considered as positive in such a study and therefore it is concluded that penflufen does not meet the criteria for classification for skin sensitisation based on the results of this study.

4.5.1.4 Conclusions on classification and labelling

Not classified – conclusive but not sufficient for classification.

4.5.2 Respiratory sensitisation

4.5.2.1 Non-human information

No data are available.

4.5.2.2 Human information

No data are available.

4.5.2.3 Comparison with criteria

No data are available.

4.5.2.4 Conclusions on classification and labelling

Not classified - data lacking.

4.6 Repeated dose toxicity

The short term and repeated-dose toxicity of penflufen has been studied extensively in standard GLP/OECD-compliant studies involving repeated oral treatment of rats (28-day, 90-day), mice (28-day and 90-day) and dogs (28-day, 90-day and 1 year). Exposure via the dermal route has been investigated in rats in a 28-day study. In addition, there are chronic toxicity studies in rats (1 year, and 1 year with 3 month recovery) which were conducted as part of a two year carcinogenicity study. No repeated dose inhalation toxicity studies are available.

Table 14: Summary table of relevant repeated dose oral toxicity studies

Note: The LOAEL values are given for information only. They have been taken directly from documentation connected to the EFSA peer review of penflufen without further critical assessment.

Method	Dose Levels	Observations and Remarks (main toxicological effects)
28 day	0, 150, 2000, 7000	There were no deaths or clinical signs at any dose.
oral dietary	ppm corresponding	
Rat: Wistar	to 0, 12/13, 154/169, 560/648	150 ppm (12/13 mg/kg bw/day)
5/sex/dose	mg/kg bw/day in	No adverse effects.
Penflufen purity 99.2%	m/f	
or 99.4%		2000 ppm (154/169 mg/kg bw/day)
	STOT RE	Males:
Liver microsomes were	guidance value in	<u>Organ weights:</u> \uparrow relative liver weight (11%),
analysed for cytochrome P-450 content and ethoxyresorufin-O- deethylase (EROD),	rat 28 day study is ≤300 mg/kg bw/day	Enzyme activity: \uparrow cytochrome P450 (14%), \uparrow BROD (330%) and \uparrow PROD (140%)
pentoxyresorufin-O-		Females: \downarrow bodyweight gain (16%), \downarrow food consumption
depentylase (PROD) and		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> 27% ↑ cholesterol
benzoxyresorufin-O- debenzylase (BROD)		Enzyme activity: \uparrow cytochrome P450 (32%), \uparrow BROD (774%) and \uparrow PROD (372%)
activity.		<u>Histopathology:</u> centrilobular hepatocyte hypertrophy (in 2/5 f versus 0/5 f in controls).
N		7000 ppm (560/648 mg/kg bw/day)
Non-guideline		Males:
GLP: No		<u>Organ weights:</u> \uparrow absolute and relative liver weight (32/26%).
DAR 6.3.1		Enzyme activity: \uparrow cytochrome P450 (9%), \uparrow BROD (547%) and \uparrow PROD (92%)
Unpublished Study (ref). (2004)		<u>Histopathology:</u> centrilobular hepatocyte hypertrophy (in 5/5 m versus 0/5 m in controls).
		<u>Females:</u> \downarrow bodyweight gain (12%), \downarrow food consumption
		<u>Organ weights:</u> \uparrow absolute and relative liver weight (15/19%).
		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> 31% ↑ cholesterol, 45% ↓ bilirubin
		Enzyme activity: \uparrow cytochrome P450 (53%), \uparrow BROD (2293%) and \uparrow PROD (440%)
		<u>Histopathology:</u> centrilobular hepatocyte hypertrophy (in 5/5 f versus 0/5 f in controls)
		LOAEL 2000 ppm (154/169 mg/kg bw/day)

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29/30 day oral dietary immunotoxicity Rat: Wistar 8/sex/dose Penflufen purity 95.6% Administered in diet for 29 days in males and 30 days in females. 5 days before scheduled kill sheep erythrocytes were administered intravenously for a plaque forming cell assay (PFCA). A positive control group treated with a known immuno-suppressant was not included, however the validity of the plaque- forming cell assay had been previously	0, 200, 1000, 7000 ppm corresponding to 0, 18/20, 83/104, 756/960 mg/kg bw/day. STOT RE guidance value for rat 28 day study is ≤ 300 mg/kg bw/day	There were no deaths or clinical signs of toxicity, including immunotoxicity at any dose. 200 ppm (18/20 mg/kg bw/day) No adverse effects. 1000 ppm (83/104 mg/kg bw/day) No adverse effects. 7000 ppm (756/960 mg/kg bw/day) Males: ↓ bodyweight gain (17%), ↑ food consumption (30%). Females: ↓ bodyweight gain (59%), ↑ food consumption (25%).
kill sheep erythrocytes		
		<u>Males:</u> \downarrow bodyweight gain (17%), \uparrow food consumption (30%).
		<u>Females:</u> \downarrow bodyweight gain (59%), \uparrow food consumption (25%).
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been previously		
demonstrated with cyclo- phosphamide.		
phosphannae.		
Bodyweight and weights		
of spleen and thymus		
measured. No		
histopathology conducted.		
EPA OPPTS 870.7800		
GLP: Yes		
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DAR B.6.8.2		
Unpublished Study (ref).		
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90 day	0, 150, 7000,	There were no deaths or clinical signs of toxicity at any dose.
oral dietary	14,000 ppm corresponding to 0,	
Rat: Wistar	9.5/11.4, 457/492,	150 ppm (9.5/11.4 mg/kg bw/day)
10/sex/dose	949/1009 mg/kg	Males:
	bw/day in m/f	<u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ absolute liver weight (11%)
Penflufen purity 98.8%		Histopathology: pancreas increase of exocrine single cell necrosis (in 5/10
	STOT RE	m versus 0 in control m).
Included a neurotoxicity	guidance value in	
assessment of motor	rat 90 day study is ≤ 100 mg/kg	Females: No adverse effects.
activity, sensory reactions, and grip	bw/day	
strength at the end of the	~	7000 ppm (457/492 mg/kg bw/day)
treatment period.		Males:
_		<u>Organ weights:</u> \uparrow absolute and relative liver weight (34/35%).
OECD 408		Histopathology:
GLP: Yes		Liver: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 10/10 m versus 0/10 m in controls).
DAR 6.3.1		Thyroid: follicular cell hypertrophy (in 8/10 m versus 0 in controls) and
Unpublished Study (ref).		focal/multifocal colloid alteration (in 3/10 m versus 0 in control m).
(2006a)		Kidney: focal/multifocal tubular hyaline droplets (in 5/10 m versus 2/10 in control m)
		Pancreas: increase of exocrine single cell necrosis (in 4/10 m versus 0 in control m).
		Pituitary: basophil cell hypertrophy (6/10m compared to 3/10 m in control m)
		<u>Females</u> : \downarrow bodyweight gain (17%) & \downarrow food consumption.
		Organ weights: \uparrow absolute and relative liver weight (18/26%)
		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> 36% ↑ cholesterol, 35% ↓ bilirubin, 200% ↑ gamma- glutamyltransferase
		<u>Histopathology:</u> centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 10/10 f versus 0/10 f in controls)
		14,000 ppm (949/1009 mg/kg bw/day)
		Males:
		Organ weights: 1 absolute and relative liver weight (56/64%)
		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> 58% ↑ cholesterol, 300% ↑ gamma- glutamyltransferase
		Histopathology:
		Liver: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 9/10 m versus 0/10 m
		in controls)
		Thyroid: follicular cell hypertrophy (in 8/10 m versus 0 in control m), focal/multifocal colloid alteration (in 3/10 m versus 0 in control m)
		Kidney: focal/multifocal tubular hyaline droplets (in 6/10 m versus 2/10 in control m).
		Pancreas: increase of exocrine single cell necrosis (in 4/10 m versus 0 in control m).
		Pituitary: basophil cell hypertrophy (5/10 m versus 3/10 in control m)

		<u>Females:</u> ↓ bodyweight gain (12%), ↓ food consumption <u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ absolute and relative liver weight (31/39%)
		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> 27% ↑ cholesterol, 43% ↓ bilirubin, 300% ↑ gamma- glutamyltransferase, 43%↑ alanine aminotransferase
		Histopathology:
		Liver: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 10/10 f versus 010 f in controls)
		Pancreas: increase of exocrine single cell necrosis (4/10 f versus 0 in control f)
		Thyroid: follicular cell hypertrophy (6/10 f versus 0 in control f).
		LOAEL 7000 ppm (457/492 mg/kg bw/day)
90 day oral dietary	0, 50, 150, 3500 ppm corresponding	There were no deaths or clinical signs of toxicity at any dose.
Rat: Wistar	to 0, 3.2/3.7, 9.3/11.4, 228/260	50 ppm (3.2/3.7 mg/kg bw/day)
10/sex/dose	9.3/11.4, 228/200 mg/kg bw/day in m/f	No adverse effects.
Penflufen purity 98.8%		150 ppm (9.3/11.4 mg/kg bw/day)
	STOT RE	No adverse effects.
In a deviation from the study guidelines only the	guidance value in rat 90 day study	
kidney, liver, pancreas,	is ≤ 100 mg/kg	3500 ppm (228/260 mg/kg bw/day)
pituitary and thyroid glands were examined microscopically.	bw/day	<u>Males</u> : One male euthanized on day 69 for humane reasons displayed clinical signs and adverse findings at necropsy that were not considered to be treatment-related.
microscopicany.		Organ weights: ↑ absolute and relative liver weight (15/16%)
OECD 408		Histopathology:
GLP: Yes		Liver: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 2/9 m versus 0/9 m in controls)
DAR 6.3.1		Kidney: focal/multifocal tubular hyaline droplets (in 3/9 m versus 0 in
Unpublished Study (ref). (2006b)		control m).
(2000)		<u>Females:</u> ↓ bodyweight gain,
		<u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ absolute and relative liver weight (9/16%) <u>Histopathology:</u>
		Liver: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 5/10 f versus 0/10 f in controls)
		LOAEL 3500 ppm (228/260 mg/kg bw/day)

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90 day oral dietary	0, 250, 2000, 8000	There were no deaths or clinical signs of toxicity at any dose.
neurotoxicity	ppm corresponding	
Rat: Wistar	to 0, 16.0/19.9, 126/156, 516/609	250 ppm (16.0/19.9 mg/kg bw/day)
12/sex/dose	mg/kg bw/day.	No adverse effects.
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Penflufen purity 95.6%	STOT RE	2000 ppm (126/156 mg/kg bw/day)
	guidance value in	Males: ↑ relative liver weight (13%)
A functional	rat 90 day study	
observational battery and	is $\leq 100 \text{ mg/kg}$	<u>Females:</u> \downarrow food consumption, \uparrow relative liver weight (12%).
motor/ locomotor activity	bw/day	<u>remarcs</u> + rood consumption, frendrive river weight (1270).
measurements were		8000 ppm (516/609 mg/kg bw/day)
conducted on study weeks -1, 2, 4, 8 and 13.		
Histopathology was		<u>Males:</u> \downarrow bodyweight gain (11%), \downarrow food consumption, \uparrow absolute and relative liver weight (21/23%)
confined to examination		
of brain and nervous		Females: \downarrow bodyweight gain (30%), \downarrow food consumption, \uparrow relative liver
system tissue of the		weight (28%).
control and high dose group.		
group.		LOAEL 2000 ppm (126/156 mg/kg bw/day)
OECD 424		EOAEE 2000 ppm (120/150 mg/kg bw/duy)
GLP: Yes		
GLP. Yes		
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DAR B.6.7		
Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)		
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1 year dietary	0, 100, 2000, 7000	100 ppm (4.6/6.3 mg/kg bw/day)
Rat: Wistar 10/sex/dose	ppm corresponding to $0, 4.6/6.3,$	No adverse effects.
	90/126, 327/446	
Penflufen purity 95.6%	mg/kg bw/day.	2000 ppm (90/126 mg/kg bw/day)
		Males:
(study conducted as part	STOT RE	Histopathology: hepatocellular macrovacuolation, mainly centrilobular
of the 2 year	guidance value in	diffuse (in $2/10$ m versus $1/10$ in control m).
carcinogenicity study)	rat 1 year study is	
Microscopic examination on the liver, lung, kidney,	≤ 25 mg/kg bw/day calculated	<u>Females:</u> \downarrow bodyweight gain (16%), \downarrow food consumption.
and thyroid gland of all	from the guidance	<u>Organ weights:</u> \uparrow relative liver weight (10%).
dose groups. For all other	value for a 90 day	<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> 11% \uparrow cholesterol, 41% \downarrow bilirubin.
organs only control and	study.	Histopathology: thyroid diffuse follicular cell hypertrophy (in 1/10 f
high dose groups were		versus 0 in control f).
examined microscopically, and any		
organs from other dose		7000 ppm (327/446 mg/kg bw/day)
groups with gross		<u>Males:</u> \downarrow bodyweight gain (8%), \downarrow food consumption.
abnormalities, and all		<u>Organ weights:</u> \uparrow relative liver weight (25%).
organs in animals that		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> 50% ↓ bilirubin
died before the end of the study.		Histopathology:
study.		Liver: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 10/10 m versus 0/10 m
OECD 453		in controls), hepatocellular macrovacuolation, mainly centrilobular diffuse $(n 7/10, m \text{ warms to } 1/10, m \text{ in controls})$
GLP: Yes		(in 7/10 m versus to 1/10 m in controls) The induction of the first second sec
		Thyroid: diffuse follicular cell hypertrophy (in 3/10 m versus 0 in control m).
DAR B.6.5.1		ш <i>ј</i> .
Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)		
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1 year dietary then 13	0, 100, 2000, 7000	There were no treatment-related effects on survival at any dose.
weeks recovery	ppm corresponding	
Rat: Wistar 10/sex/dose	to 0, 4.6/6.3,	100 ppm (4.6/6.3 mg/kg bw/day)
	90/126, 327/446	No adverse effects.
Penflufen purity 95.6%	mg/kg bw/day for	no adverse effects.
1 2	1 year followed by	
(study conducted as part	13 weeks recovery	2000 ppm (90/126 mg/kg bw/day)
of the 2 year		No adverse effects.
carcinogenicity study)	STOT RE	
Microscopic examination	guidance value in	
was carried out on the	rat 1 year study is	7000 mm (227/446 mg/hg hw/day)
liver in all dose groups, and the thyroid gland in	\leq 25 mg/kg	7000 ppm (327/446 mg/kg bw/day)
the control, top and mid	bw/day,	Males:
dose groups. For all other	calculated from	<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> bilirubin, 29% ↓
organs only the control	the guidance value for a 90 day	<u>Organ weights:</u> 19% ↑ relative thyroid weight.
and high dose groups	study.	Histopathology:
were examined	~uuuj•	Liver: ↑ hepatocellular vacuolation, mainly diffuse periportal (in 4/10 m
microscopically, and any		versus 2/10 control m).
organs from other dose		Thyroid: ↑ ultimo-branchial cysts (in 8/10 m versus 4/10 control m).
groups with gross		
abnormalities, and all		Freedow
organs in any animals that died before the end of the		Females:
study.		No adverse effects.
study.		
0505 452		No LOAEL set for the recovery group
OECD 453		
GLP: Yes		
DAR B.6.5.1		
Unpublished Study (ref).		
(2009)		
2 year dietary	0, 100, 2000, 7000	Non-neoplastic findings (neoplastic findings in the 2 year rat study are
Rat: Wistar	ppm corresponding	reported in section 4.9):
60/sex/dose	to 0, 4.0/5.6,	
	79/113, 288/399	100 ppm (4.0/5.6 mg/kg bw/day)
Penflufen purity 95.6%	mg/kg bw/day.	Males:
NC		Histopathology (non-neoplastic):
Microscopic examination	STOT RE	Liver:
carried out in all organs in all dose groups.	guidance value	 hepatocellular hypertrophy, panlobular to centrilobular (5/60 compared to 0/60 in control m)
an uose groups.	for in rat 2 year	 eosinophilic foci of cellular alteration (30/60 compared to 23/60 in
OECD 453	study is ≤ 12.5	control m)
GLP: Yes	mg/kg bw/day, calculated from	- interstitial focal mononuclear cell infiltrate (32/60 compared to 28/60
	the guidance	in control m)
DAR B.6.5.1	value for a 90 day	
	study.	Females:
Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)		Histopathology (non-neoplastic):
(2009)		Liver:
		 eosinophilic foci of cellular alteration (38/60 compared to 27/60 in control f).
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2000 ppm (79/113 mg/kg bw/day)
Males:
<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> ↓ bilirubin 43% (max decrease) <u>Histopathology (non -neoplastic):</u>
Liver:
- hepatocellular macrovacuolation, diffuse, mainly centrilobular (in
9/60 animals compared to 0/60 in control m)
- hepatocellular hypertrophy, panlobular to centrilobular (21/60
 compared to 0/60 in control m) focal brown pigment (9/60 compared to 0 in control m)
 eosinophilic foci of cellular alteration (32/60 compared to 23/60 in
control m)
 interstitial focal mononuclear cell infiltrate (36/60 compared to 28/60 in control m)
Thyroid:
 diffuse follicular hypertrophy (1/60 compared to 0 in control m) colloid alteration (30/60 compared to 25/60 in control m)
Females:
↓ bodyweight gain (11% at week 102), ↓ food consumption.
<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> ↓ bilirubin 44% (max decrease), ↑ cholesterol 16%. <u>Histopathology (non -neoplastic):</u>
Liver:
 hepatocellular macrovacuolation, diffuse, mainly centrilobular (in 18/60 versus 0/60 in control f)
- hepatocellular hypertrophy, panlobular to centrilobular (22/60 versus 0/60 in control f)
 focal brown pigment (18/60 versus 0 in control f)
- eosinophilic foci of cellular alteration (46/60 versus 27/60 in control f)
 interstitial focal mononuclear cell infiltrate (40/60 versus 30/60 in control f).
Thyroid: - colloid alteration (17/60 compared to 2/60 in control f).
7000 ppm (288/399 mg/kg bw/day)
Males: ↓ bodyweight gain (5% at week 102). <u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ absolute/relative liver weight (14/17%)
<u>Haematology:</u> \downarrow reticulocytes 57% (max decrease), \downarrow % reticulocytes 69%
(max decrease).
<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> ↓ bilirubin 53% (max decrease). <u>Histopathology (non- neoplastic):</u>
Liver:
- hepatocellular macrovacuolation ,diffuse, mainly centrilobular (in
 23/60 animals versus 0/60 in control m) hepatocellular hypertrophy, panlobular to centrilobular (50/60 versus
0/60 in control m)
- focal brown pigment (23/60 versus 0 in control m)
 eosinophilic foci of cellular alteration (30/60 versus 23/60 in control m) interstitial focal mononuclear cell infiltrate (36/60 versus 28/60 in
control m)
Thyroid:
- diffuse follicular hypertrophy (3/60 versus 0 in control m)
- colloid alteration (48/60 versus 25/60 in control m).
Females: \downarrow bodyweight gain (18% at week 102), \downarrow food consumption.
<u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ relative liver weight (13%)
Haematology: ↓ reticulocytes 19% (max decrease), ↓ % reticulocytes 21%
(max decrease).

oral dietaryppm coMouse: C57BL/6Jto 0, 26 5 /sex/dose $632/741$ $1274/15$ bw/dayPenflufen purity 98.6%stortSimilar to OECD 407guidantGLP: No \leq 300 mbw/daybw/day		Clinical chemistry: ↓ bilirubin 64% (max decrease), ↑ cholesterol 26% (max increase). Histopathology (non -neoplastic): Liver: hepatocellular macrovacuolation, diffuse, mainly centrilobular (in 30/60 animals versus 0/60 in control f) hepatocellular hypertrophy, panlobular to centrilobular (47/60 versus 0/60 control f) focal brown pigment (30/60 versus 0 in control f) eosinophilic foci of cellular alteration (39/60 versus 27/60 in control f) interstitial focal mononuclear cell infiltrate (40/60 versus 30/60 in control f) colloid alteration (29/60 versus 2/60 in control f). <tr< th=""></tr<>
oral dietaryppm coMouse: C57BL/6J $5/sex/dose$ $5/sex/dose$ $632/741$ Penflufen purity 98.6% $1274/15$ Similar to OECD 407guidantGLP: No 300 nDAR 6.3.2 28 dors		Ovary: - tubulostromal hyperplasia (7/60 f versus 3/60 in control f) LOAEL Non-neoplastic 100 ppm (4.0/5.6 mg/kg bw/day)
oral dietaryppm coMouse: C57BL/6J $5/sex/dose$ $5/sex/dose$ $632/741$ Penflufen purity 98.6% $1274/15$ Similar to OECD 407guidantGLP: No 300 mDAR 6.3.2 28 dow		
Unpublished Study (ref). (2005)	1, 585 mg/kg in m/f RE ce value is ng/kg 7 based on for the rat	There were no deaths or clinical signs of toxicity at any dose. 150 ppm (26/31 mg/kg bw/day) No adverse effects. 3500 ppm (632/741 mg/kg bw/day) <u>Males:</u> <u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ relative liver weight (14%) <u>Clinical chemistry:</u> 52% ↓ cholesterol <u>Females:</u> <u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ absolute and relative liver weight (24/32%) <u>Clinical chemistry:</u> 51% ↓ cholesterol. 7000 ppm (1274/1585 mg/kg bw/day) <u>Males:</u> <u>Clinical chemistry:</u> ↓ cholesterol (58%) Organ weights: ↑ absolute and relative liver weight (20/24%) <u>Histopathology:</u> diffuse hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 1/5 m versus 0 in control m). <u>Females:</u> <u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ absolute and relative liver weight (28/28%), diffuse hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 3/5 f versus 0 in control f). <u>Clinical chemistry:</u> ↓ cholesterol (44%), ↑ alkaline phosphatase (32%). <i>LOAEL 3500 ppm (632/741 mg/kg bw/day)</i>

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90 day oral dietary	0, 150, 3500, 7000	There were no deaths or clinical signs of toxicity at any dose.
Mouse: C57BL/6J	ppm corresponding	
10/sex/dose	to 0, 26.9/31.5, 638/757,	150 ppm (26.9/31.5 mg/kg bw/day)
	1238/1600 mg/kg	No adverse effects.
Penflufen purity 98.8%	bw/day in m/f	3500 ppm (638/757 mg/kg bw/day)
OECD 408	STOT RE	Males:
GLP: Yes	guidance value is	<u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ relative liver weight (16%)
	≤100 mg/kg	<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> 35% ↓ cholesterol
DAR 6.3.2	bw/day, based on	Histopathology: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 4/10 animals
Unpublished Study (ref).	the guidance value for a 90 day	compared with 1/10 in control m)
(2006c)	study in the rat.	
		Females:
		Organ weights: absolute and relative liver weight (13/16%)
		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> 57% ↓ cholesterol
		Histopathology: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 4/10 f versus 0 in control f)
		7000 ppm (1238/1600 mg/kg bw/day)
		Males:
		<u>Organ weight:</u> ↑ absolute and relative liver weight (20/23%)
		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> $45\% \downarrow$ cholesterol
		Histopathology: diffuse hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 9/10 m versus 1/10
		in control m).
		Females:
		<u>Organ weights:</u> \uparrow absolute and relative liver weight (33/32%)
		Clinical chemistry: 60% ↓ cholesterol
		Histopathology: diffuse hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 7/10 f versus 0 in
		control f).
		LOAEL 3500 ppm (638/757 mg/kg bw/day)
1 year dietary Mouse:	0, 100, 2000, 6000	There were no treatment-related effects on survival at any dose.
C57BL/6J	ppm corresponding	
10/sex/dose	to 0, 14.5/18.8, 148/187, 891/1137	100 ppm (14.5/18.8 mg/kg bw/day)
Penflufen purity 95.6%	mg/kg bw/day.	No adverse effects
- entre pulle jo.070		2000 ppm (148/187 mg/kg bw/day)
This study was conducted	STOT RE guidance value is	No adverse effects
as part of the	$\leq 25 \text{ mg/kg}$	
carcinogenicity study in mice. No clinical	bw/day,	6000 ppm (891/1137 mg/kg bw/day) Males:
chemistry and no	calculated from the guidance	<u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ absolute/relative liver weight (11%/9%)
histopathology were	value for a 90 day	Females:
performed.	study in the rat.	<u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ relative liver weight (21%)
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OECD 451		No LOAEL set for chronic phase of this study
GLP: Yes		
DAR B.6.5.2		
Unpublished Study (ref).		
(2009a)		

18 month dietary Mouse: C57BL/6J	0, 100, 1000, 6000 ppm corresponding	Non-neoplastic findings (neoplastic findings in the 78 week mouse study are reported in section 4.9):
50/sex/dose	to 0, 14.3/18.4,	
Penflufen purity 95.6%	146/182, 880/1101 mg/kg bw/day.	100 ppm (14.3/18.4 mg/kg bw/day) <u>Males:</u>
	STOT RE	<u>Histopathology:</u> Liver: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (13/49 m versus 0 in
OECD 451 GLP: Yes	guidance value is	control m)
DAR B.6.5.2	c.a., ≤ 16.7 mg/kg bw/day,	2000 ppm (146/182 mg/kg bw/day)
Unpublished Study (ref).	calculated from the guidance	Males:
(2009a)	value for a 90 day	<u>Histopathology:</u> Liver: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (29/49 m versus 0 in
	study in the rat.	control m)
		Females: Histopathology:
		Liver: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (5/50 f versus 0 in control
		f)
		6000 ppm (880/1101 mg/kg bw/day)
		<u>Males:</u> <u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ absolute/relative liver weight (19%/20%)
		Histopathology:
		Liver:
		 centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (46/48 m versus 0 in control m)
		 diffuse hepatocellular vacuolation (19/48 m versus 10/48 in control m)
		<u>Females:</u> <u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ absolute/relative liver weight (23%/24%) <u>Histopathology:</u>
		Liver:
		 centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (31/50 f versus 0 in control f)
		 periportal diffuse hepatocellular vacuolation (41/50 f versus 14/50 in control f)
		Thyroid: focal/multifocal follicular cell hyperplasia (38/50 f versus 23/50 in control f)
		LOAEL non neoplastic 1000 ppm (14.3/18.4 mg/kg bw/day)

28 day oral dietary	0, 1300, 6500,	There were no deaths or clinical signs of toxicity at any dose.				
Beagle dogs	26,000 ppm					
2/sex/dose	corresponding to 0,	1300 ppm (49/52 mg/kg bw/day)				
Danflufan nurity 00 00/	49/52, 244/246,	No adverse effects.				
Penflufen purity 98.8%	759/895 mg/kg	no adverse effects.				
Non-guideline	bw/day in					
GLP: No	males/females	6500 ppm (244/246 mg/kg bw/day)				
OLI : NO		<u>Males:</u> \downarrow bodyweight gain & food consumption				
DAR 6.3.3	STOT RE	Organ weights: \uparrow absolute and relative liver weight.				
Unpublished Study (ref).	guidance value of	Clinical chemistry: \uparrow alkaline phosphatase				
(2005)	\leq 300 mg/kg	Histopathology:				
	bw/day is					
	considered	Liver: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy,				
	relevant,	Thyroid: follicular cell hypertrophy & decreased follicular diameter				
	calculated from	(versus 0 histopathological findings in control m)				
	the guidance value for a 90 day					
	study in the rat.	Females: \downarrow bodyweight gain & food consumption				
	study in the lat.	<u>Organ weights:</u> \uparrow absolute and relative liver weight.				
		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> ↑ alkaline phosphatase				
		Histopathology:				
		Liver: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (versus 0 in control f)				
		Thyroid: follicular cell hypertrophy & decreased follicular diameter				
		(versus 0 in control f)				
		26,000 ppm (759/895 mg/kg bw/day)				
		Males: ↓ bodyweight gain & food consumption				
		<u>Organ weights:</u> ↑ absolute and relative liver weight				
		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> \uparrow alkaline phosphatase, \downarrow cholesterol.				
		Histopathology:				
		Liver: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (versus 0 in control m)				
		Thyroid: follicular cell hypertrophy & decreased follicular diameter				
		(versus 0 in control m)				
		<u>Females:</u> \downarrow bodyweight gain & food consumption				
		<u>Organ weights:</u> \uparrow absolute and relative liver weight				
		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> \uparrow alkaline phosphatase, \downarrow cholesterol				
		Histopathology:				
		Liver: centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (versus 0 in control f)				
		Thyroid: follicular cell hypertrophy & decreased follicular diameter				
		(versus 0 in control f)				
		LOAEL 6500 ppm (244/246 mg/kg bw/day)				
00 day arel distant						
90 day oral dietary Beagle dogs	0, 180, 1800,	There were no deaths or clinical signs of toxicity at any dose.				
4/sex/dose	18,000 ppm					
1, 502, 4050	corresponding to 0, $5.6/6.1$, $55.7/62.1$	180 ppm (5.6/6.1 mg/kg bw/day)				
Penflufen purity 95.6%	5.6/6.1, 55.7/63.1, 532/568 mg/kg	No adverse effects.				
r	bw/day in m/f					
OECD 409	5 m/ aug 111 111/1	1800 nnm (55.7/63.1 mg/kg hu/day)				
GLP: Yes		1800 ppm (55.7/63.1 mg/kg bw/day)				
	STOT RE	Males:				
DAR 6.3.3	guidance value of	Liver: Diffuse panlobular hepatocellular hypertrophy 1/4 m compared				
Unpublished Study (ref).	$\leq 100 \text{ mg/kg}$	with 0 in control m).				
(2008)	bw/day is considered	Females:				
	considered relevant, based on	Liver: Diffuse panlobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 3/4 f compared				
	the guidance	with 0 in control f).				
	the guluance	,				

	value for a 90 day	18,000 ppm (532/568 mg/kg bw/day)
	study in the rat.	Males:
		<u>Organ weights:</u> \uparrow absolute and relative liver weight (36/37%), \uparrow absolute adrenal weight (50%)
		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> \uparrow alkaline phosphatase (4 times higher than controls), 67% \uparrow cholesterol.
		Histopathology:
		Liver: diffuse panlobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 4/4 m versus 0 in control m), multifocal intrahepatocellular eosinophilic material (in 2/4 m versus 0 in control m) and hepatic perilobular multifocal single cell death (in 2/4 m versus 0 in control m)
		Adrenals: diffuse cortical hypertrophy/hyperplasia (in 2/4 m versus 0 in control m).
		<u>Females:</u> \downarrow bodyweight gain (82%) & food consumption
		Organ weights: ↑ relative liver weight (50%)
		<u>Haematology:</u> 46% ↑ platelet count
		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> \uparrow alkaline phosphatase (4 times higher than controls).
		Histopathology:
		Liver: diffuse panlobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 4/4 f versus 0 in control f), multifocal intrahepatocellular eosinophilic material (in 1/4 f versus 0 in control f) and hepatic perilobular multifocal single cell death (in 1 f versus 0 in control f).
		LOAEL 1800 ppm (55.7/63.1 mg/kg bw/day)
1 year	0, 200, 1000,	There were no deaths or clinical signs of toxicity at any dose.
oral dietary	10,000 ppm	
Beagle dogs 4/sex/dose	corresponding to	200 ppm (6.8/7.7 mg/kg bw/day)
T/ SUA/ UUSU	6.8/7.7, 32/38, 357/425 mg/kg	No adverse effects.
Penflufen purity 95.6%	bw/day in	
OECD 452	males/females.	1000 ppm (32/38 mg/kg bw/day)
GLP: Yes		Males:
DAR 6.3.3	STOT RE guidance value of	<u>Histopathology:</u> intrahepatocellular brown pigment (in 1 m versus 0 in control m)
Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)	≤25 mg/kg bw/day is	Females:
(2009)	considered	<u>Organ weights:</u> \uparrow absolute and relative liver weight (17/28%)
	relevant, calculated from the guidance	<u>Histopathology</u> : panlobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 1 f versus 0 in control f), \downarrow hepatocellular glycogen accumulation (in 1 f)
	value for the 90 day study in the	10,000 ppm (357/425 mg/kg bw/day)
	rat.	<u>Males:</u> \downarrow food consumption
		Organ weights: ↑ absolute and relative liver weight (28/32%)
		<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> \uparrow alkaline phosphatase (2.5 times higher than control m).
		Histopathology:
		Liver: panlobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 3 males compared to none in control m), intrahepatocellular brown pigment (in 2/4 males compared to none in control m), \downarrow hepatocellular glycogen accumulation (in 3 m)
		Thyroid: follicular cell hypertrophy (in 1 male compared with none in control m)

<u>Females:</u> \downarrow bodyweight gain (54%)
Organ weights:
<u>Clinical chemistry:</u> \uparrow alkaline phosphatase (up to 7 times higher than controls).
Histopathology:
Liver: panlobular hepatocellular hypertrophy (in 4/4 females compared with none in control f), intrahepatocellular brown pigment (in 3 females compared with none in control f), \downarrow hepatocellular glycogen accumulation (in 3 f)
Thyroid: follicular cell hypertrophy (in 3/4 f versus 1/4 in control f)
LOAEL
Males 10,000 ppm (357 mg/kg bw/day)
Females 1000 ppm (38 mg/kg bw/day)

4.6.1 Non-human information

4.6.1.1 Repeated dose toxicity: oral

<u>Rats</u>

In a 28 day study in the rat the target organ was the liver. The only effects below the guidance value for classification (i.e., at 154 mg/kg bw/day) included an increase in relative liver weight in males (11%) which was accompanied by an increase in enzyme activity (cytochrome P450, BROD and PROD). Increased enzyme activity was also noted in females at doses below the guidance value for classification (169 mg/kg bw/day), but an increase in relative liver weight was not observed until the higher dose level of 648 mg/kg bw/day (19% increase in relative liver weight in females and rising to 26% in males). In both males and females an increased incidence of centrilobular hepatocyte hypertrophy was noted at 560/648 mg/kg bw/day respectively.

In a 29/30 day immunotoxicity study no effects were observed at doses relevant for classification. At higher doses, only decreased body weight gain and increased food consumption were observed.

In the first 90-day study, the only effects observed at doses below the guidance value for classification (i.e., at 9.5 mg/kg bw/day) included an increase in relative liver weight (11%) in males and exocrine single cell necrosis in the pancreas in 5/10 males compared to 0/10 in controls. However, this latter effect was only observed in 4/10 males in both the two higher dose groups (457 and 949 mg/kg bw/day) and in 4/10 females at the highest dose of 1009 mg/kg bw/day only. The grading of the lesion in the histopathology report was 'minimal' or 'slight' and the incidence was within the laboratory historical controls. Increased relative liver weights were only observed in females (26%) from 492 mg/kg bw/day. Centrilobular hepatocyte hypertrophy was observed in males and females from doses of 457/494 mg/kg bw/day respectively. In addition an increased incidence of thyroid follicular cell hypertrophy was observed in males and females, but only from doses of 457 and 1009 mg/kg bw/day respectively.

In a second 90-day study, no adverse effects were noted at doses relevant for classification. At higher doses, increases in relative liver weight were observed (13% and 23% in males at 126 and 576 mg/kg bw/day and 12% and 28% in females at 156 and 609 mg/kg bw/day). Exocrine single cell necrosis in the pancreas was noted in males only, but was only marginally higher than in the control group (incidence was 2, 3, 3, 4 all out of 10 in the 0, 3.2, 9.3, 228 mg/kg bw/day dose

groups respectively). The grading of the lesion ranged from 'minimal' to 'slight' and was within the laboratory historical controls.

In the longer term studies, the only effects seen at doses relevant for classification were increased hepatocellular hypertrophy and eosinophilic foci of cellular alteration in males at 4 mg/kg bw/day and eosinophilic foci of cellular alterations in females from 5.6 mg/kg bw/day in the 2-year study. At higher doses i.e., 79/113 mg/kg bw/day in m/f respectively in the 2-year study, increased hepatocellular macrovacuolation and thyroid follicular cell hypertrophy were noted. Increased relative liver weights were only noted in males and females at doses of 288 and 399 mg/kg bw/day respectively. Exocrine single cell necrosis was observed in males in the one year rat study in the top dose group (327 mg/kg bw/day), but the pancreas was not examined in the low and mid dose groups. It is noted however, that this finding was also seen in the control group (4/10 males). This finding was not observed in the 2-year study with a top dose of 288 and 399 mg/kg bw/day in males and females respectively.

Mice

In the 28-day study no adverse effects were noted at doses relevant for classification. Increased relative liver weight was noted in males and females from doses of 632 and 741 mg/kg bw/day respectively. A small increase in the incidence of hepatocellular hypertrophy was noted from 1274 and 1585 mg/kg bw/day in males and females respectively.

In the 90-day study no adverse effects were noted at doses relevant for classification. Increase liver weights in males (16%) and in females (16%) were observed from doses of 638 and 757 mg/kg/day respectively, along with an increased incidence of hepatocellular hypertrophy.

In the longer term studies, hepatocellular hypertrophy was observed from doses of 146/182 in m/f respectively.

<u>Dogs</u>

In the 28-day study, an increased incidence of hepatocellular hypertrophy and increased relative liver weight were observed from doses of 244 and 246 mg/kg bw/day in males and females respectively. Thyroid, follicular cell hypertrophy was also observed in males and females at this dose level.

In the 90-day study, an increased incidence of hepatocellular hypertrophy was observed from a dose level of 55.7/63.1 mg/kg bw/day m/f. At the higher dose level (532/568 mg/kg bw/day) increased relative liver weight was observed in males (37%) and females (50%). In addition, increased intrahepatocellular eosinophilic material and hepatic perilobular single cell death were also noted at this dose level in males and females.

In the 1-year study an increased incidence of hepatocellular hypertrophy was noted in females from a dose of 38 mg/kg bw/day along with an increased relative liver weight of 28%. This was only observed in males from the higher dose level of 357 mg/kg bw/day. In both males and females an increased incidence of thyroid follicular cell hypertrophy was also noted in the high dose group.

4.6.1.2 Repeated dose toxicity: inhalation

No data available.

4.6.1.3 Repeated dose toxicity: dermal

Table 15: Summary table of relevant repeated dose dermal toxicity studies

Method	Dose Levels	Observations and Remarks (main toxicological effects)
28 day dermal Rat: Wistar Hanover 10/sex/dose	0, 100, 300, 1000 mg/kg bw/day	100 mg/kg bw/day No adverse effects.
Penflufen purity 95.6% Topical application onto a gauze pad moistened with water.	6 hour daily exposure, 5 days a week for 4 weeks equating to a total of 21 doses.	300 mg/kg bw/dayNo adverse effects.1000 mg/kg bw/day
OECD 410 GLP: Yes DAR 6.3.4 Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)	STOT RE guidance value in rat 28 day dermal study is ≤ 600 mg/kg bw/day	Thymus: Increased lymphocyte debris within the thymic cortices in 7/10 m and 7/10 f versus 0 in controls. LOAEL 1000 mg/kg bw/day in males and females

(The LOAEL is provided for information only; it was taken from the EFSA peer review).

In a standard GLP and guideline compliant 28 day study 10 rats/sex/dose were administered penflufen by dermal administration at a dose of 0, 100, 300 or 1000 mg/kg bw/day for 6 hours, 5 days a week. Penflufen was applied to a gauze pad moistened with water and secured to a shaved area of the trunk. Blood samples were taken at the end of the study and a range of parameters measured. At necropsy the weights of major organs were recorded. All organs from the control and high dose animals, together with the thymus and cervical lymph nodes from the 300 mg/kg/day group, were subjected to microscopic examination.

There were no treatment-related deaths. No signs of local effects or clinical signs indicative of systemic toxicity were observed. There were no adverse findings in the low and mid dose group. In the top dose group (1000 mg/kg/d) histopathological changes were seen in the thymus of 7 males and 7 females as evidenced by increased thymic debris within the thymic cortices.

4.6.1.4 Repeated dose toxicity: other routes

No data available.

4.6.1.5 Human information

No data available.

4.6.2 Summary and discussion of repeated dose toxicity findings relevant for classification as STOT RE according to CLP Regulation

The repeat dose toxicity of penflufen via the oral route was investigated in rats, mice and dogs. In addition, toxicity via the dermal route was investigated in rats. No repeated dose inhalation studies on penflufen are available.

The liver effects comprised increased relative and absolute weights, centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy and increased liver-enzyme activity. Liver effects observed at doses below the guidance cut-off values for classification as STOT-RE, were minimal and thus are not relevant for classification. In the two-year rat study increased incidence and severity of eosinophilic foci of hepatocellular alteration were seen in males and females at doses relevant to classification. Although in females these findings slightly exceeded the historical control incidence they were a very common lesion also in the controls and were not accompanied by any significant increase in liver weight so are not considered to be evidence of a severe or significant adverse effect on the liver.

Another target organ was the thyroid. In the 28-day dog study, thyroid follicular cell hypertrophy and decreased follicular diameter were observed from 244 mg/kg/d (only two animals/sex/dose); such effects were not reported at doses relevant for classification in the 90-day nor one-year dog studies. Thyroid effects in rats (follicular cell hypertrophy, focal/multifocal colloid alteration, an increase in ultimo-branchial cysts) were only reported at doses above the guidance values for classification. There were no effects on the thyroid in the mouse studies. Since findings in the thyroid at doses relevant to classification are only seen in the 28-day dog study and based on only two animals per sex per dose group this is considered insufficient evidence of a severe or significant adverse effect on the thyroid and are not considered further.

Exocrine single cell necrosis was reported in the pancreas of male rats at all doses and in females of the high-dose group in a 90-day rat study (Unpublished Study (ref). 2006a). However, a steep doseresponse relationship was not evident and the grading of the lesion in the histopathology report was 'minimal' or 'slight'. A second 90 day rat study (Unpublished Study (ref). 2006b) used lower doses to further investigate the findings in the pancreas and found that incidence of exocrine single cell necrosis in males was only marginally higher than in the control group (incidence was 2, 3, 3, 4 in the 0, 3.2, 9.3, 228 mg/kg bw/day dose groups respectively). The grading of the lesion ranged from 'minimal' to 'slight', and there was no increase in this lesion in any treated females. The findings in both of these 90 day studies were within the historical control range for the same laboratory and strain. Exocrine single cell necrosis also occurred in males in the one year rat study (Unpublished Study (ref). 2009) in the top dose group (327 mg/kg bw/day). This finding is above the guidance value for classification, but the pancreas was not examined in the low and mid dose groups so it is not possible to conclude whether any findings occurred at lower doses in the one year study. It is noted however, that this finding was also seen in the control group (4/10 males). In the two year rat study (Unpublished Study (ref). 2009) using 60 animals per sex/dose group, with a top dose of 288 and 399 mg/kg bw/day in males and females respectively, all animals were subject to a full histopathological examination and no treatment-related findings were detected in the pancreas in any of the treated groups. Further, no findings in the pancreas were reported in either the mouse or dog. Taking a weight of evidence approach it is concluded that the pancreas findings in the 90 day and 1 year rat studies are isolated findings, and do not support classification for repeated-dose toxicity.

4.6.3 Comparison with criteria of repeated dose toxicity findings relevant for classification as STOT RE

Substances are classified for repeated-dose toxicity when they cause significant or severe health effects that impair function of an identified target organ, or if they cause generalised changes of a less severe nature involving several organs. These effects should generally occur below the oral guidance value of 100 mg/kg bw/day (for a classification in category 2) obtained in a 90-day rat study. The oral guidance value for a classification in category 1 is \leq 10 mg/kg bw/day. The equivalent guidance values for a 28-day study are \leq 300 mg/kg bw/day and \leq 30 mg/kg bw/day, respectively.

In the oral studies, the most sensitive target organ was the liver. Changes in the liver were seen in all species but in most cases these findings occurred at doses that were higher than the relevant guidance value for classification for STOT RE; the exception being the 28-day rat and 28-day dog studies. In the 28-day rat study, liver effects at 154/169 mg/kg bw/day (in males/females) included an increase in relative liver weight (11%) in males only and an increase in enzyme activity (cytochrome P450, BROD and PROD) in both males and females. In the 28-day dog study, liver effects at 244/246 mg/kg bw/day (in males/females) included increased absolute and relative liver weight accompanied by centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy in both sexes as well as increased alkaline phosphatase which is often an indicator of liver damage; however, the very small group sizes in this study and lack of reproducibility of this finding is not robust evidence of an adverse effect on the liver. Overall, it is concluded that the liver effects at doses below the guidance values were minimal and there was no consistent or conclusive evidence of hepatotoxicity. Therefore, they are not considered to support classification for STOT-RE.

Exocrine single cell necrosis was reported in the pancreas and in one 90 day rat study was observed in males only at a dose level relevant for classification as STOT RE 1. These findings were more were not dose related, were within the range of the laboratory historical controls and, moreover were not reproducible in a second 90-day study. The same finding was noted in male rats in the 1 year study, but there was no evidence of damage to the pancreas in the 2 year rat study at doses up to 288/399 mg/kg bw/day in m/f respectively. Further, no findings in the pancreas were reported in the mouse or dog studies. Overall, it is concluded that the effects seen in the rat studies were likely to be incidental and do not indicate a severe or significant toxic effect in the pancreas. Therefore, they are not considered to support classification for STOT-RE.

In the 28 day repeat dose dermal study in the rat, the only adverse effects related to mild histopathological changes in the thymus at the top dose of 1000 mg/kg bw/day which is above the guidance value for classification (i.e., 600 mg/kg bw/day) for STOT-RE.

Overall, it is concluded that penflufen does not meet the criteria for classification for repeated-dose toxicity (STOT-RE).

4.6.4 Conclusions on classification and labelling of repeated dose toxicity findings relevant for classification as STOT RE.

Not classified - conclusive but not sufficient for classification

4.7 Germ cell mutagenicity (Mutagenicity)

Six standard *in vitro* tests and one standard *in vivo* test are available and summarised in Table 16 below.

In Vitro Data										
Method	Organism/str ain	Concentrations tested	Result	Reference						
Bacterial reverse mutation assay (Ames) Plate incorporation and pre-incubation methods Penflufen purity 95.6% OECD 471 (1997) GLP Yes	S. typhimurium TA98, TA100, TA102, TA1535, TA1537	From 16 µg/plate up to the test limit concentration of 5000 µg/plate	Negative ±S9. Toxicity to the bacteria and/or precipitation occurred at concentrations of 500 µg/plate	DAR 6.4.1 Unpublished Study (ref). (2007a)						
mutation assay (Ames) Plate incorporation and pre-incubation methods Penflufen purity 94.4% OECD 471 (1997) GLP Yes	S. typhimurium TA98, TA100, TA102, TA1535, TA1537	From 3 µg/plate up to the test limit concentration of 5000 µg/plate	Negative ±S9. Toxicity to the bacteria and/or precipitation occurred at concentrations of 500 µg/plate.	DAR 6.4.1 Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)						
Mammalina cell chromosome aberration test Penflufen purity 95.6% OECD 473	Chinese hamster V79 cells	Experiment 1: cultures were exposed to penflufen for 4 hours at 20, 40, 70 µg/mL without S9 mix and 30, 60, 90 µg/ml with S9 mix. Experiment 2: cultures were exposed to penflufen	Negative ±S9. Doses chosen were based on a reduction in mitotic index in a preliminary test.	DAR 6.4.1 Unpublished Study (ref). (2007)						
GLP YES		for 18 hours at 3, 6 and 12 μ g/ml without S9 mix.								
Mammalian cell chromosome aberration test Penflufen purity 94.4% OECD 473 GLP Yes	Chinese hamster V79 cells	Experiment 1: cultures were exposed to penflufen for 4 hours at 9.4, 18.8, 37.5 µg/mL without S9 mix and 18.8, 37.5, 75.0 µg/ml with S9 mix. Experiment 2: cultures were exposed to penflufen	Negative ±S9. Doses chosen were based on a reduction in mitotic index or precipitation.	DAR 6.4.1 Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)						
		for 18 hours at 4.7, 9.4, 18.8 μg/ml without S9 mix.								

Table 16: Summary table of relevant in vitro and in vivo mutagenicity studies

Mammalian cell gene mutation test (HPRT locus) Penflufen purity 95.6% OECD 476 GLP Yes	Chinese hamster V79 cells	Cultures were exposed for 5 hours to 12.5 to 150 µg/mL penflufen.	Negative ±S9. Doses were chosen based on a preliminary cytotoxicity assay.	DAR 6.4.1 Unpublished Study (ref). (2007)		
Mammalian cell gene mutation test (HPRT locus) Penflufen purity 94.4% OECD 476 GLP Yes	Chinese hamster V79 cells	Cultures were exposed for 4 hours to 7.5 to 125 µg/mL penflufen.	Negative ±S9. Doses were chosen based on a preliminary cytotoxicity assay.	DAR 6.4.1 Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)		
In vivo Data						
Method	Organism/str ain	Concentrations tested	Result			
Bone marrow micronucleus test Penflufen purity 95.6% Animals were killed 24 hours after the second dose of penflufen for bone marrow sampling OECD 474 GLP Yes	Mouse, NMRI, male, 5 per dose group	Two intraperitoneal doses of penflufen administered on consecutive days at 250, 500, 1000 mg/kg bw/day.	Negative. Doses were chosen on the basis of a preliminary study in which mortalities were observed at 2000 mg/kg bw/day. Clinical signs of toxicity were observed at all dose levels and included apathy, roughened fur, weight loss, sternal recumbency, spasm, difficulty in breathing and slitted eyes. There was an increase in NCEs to PCEs in treated groups suggesting the test substance reached the bone marrow.	DAR 6.4.2 Unpublished Study (ref). (2007b)		

4.7.1 Non-human information

4.7.1.1 In vitro data

All tests were negative.

4.7.1.2 In vivo data

Bone marrow micronucleus test

A GLP and guideline-compliant reliable study conducted in mice was negative for increases in micronucleated immature erythrocytes.

4.7.2 Human information

No information available.

4.7.3 Other relevant information

No information available.

4.7.4 Summary and discussion of mutagenicity

Data indicate that penflufen is not mutagenic *in vitro* and *in vivo*.

4.7.5 Comparison with criteria

No classification for mutagenicity is required.

4.7.6 Conclusions on classification and labelling

Not classified - conclusive but not sufficient for classification

4.8 Carcinogenicity

The chronic toxicity and carcinogenic potential of penflufen has been investigated in rats and mice. Several studies have also been conducted to investigate the mode of action and relevance to humans.

Table 17: Summary table of relevant carcinogenicity studies

(The values for LOAEL are provided for information only. They have been agreed at the EFSA Pesticide Peer Review Meeting.)

All historical control data are from the same lab and strain of animal and dated within 5 years of the current studies.

Method	Dose levels		Observations and remarks							
			(effects of major toxicological significance)							
Rat (Wistar)	0, 100, 2000,	Non-neoplast	ic findin	gs:				· · · · ·		
60/sex/dose	7000 ppm	See Table 14 f	or full d	etails of	non-neo	plastic f	indings.			
(80 up to week	corresponding to									
52)	0, 4.0/5.6,	Survival:								
	79/113, 288/399	Treatment had	no adve	rse effec	t on sur	vival up	to highe	est dose t	ested.	
2 year dietary	mg/kg bw/day.	Survival was le	ower in 1	males the	an femal	les but is	s conside	ered adec	juate to a	ssess
		the carcinogen	icity res	ponse.						
Date				Ma	ıles				nales	
performed Jan		Dose (ppm)	0	100	2000	7000	0	100	2000	7000
2007 – Feb 2009		Start of week 52	80/80	79/80	78/80	78/80	76/80	80/80	78/80	77/80
Penflufen		Death due to accident or anaesthesia	0	0	4	2	2	1	1	0
purity 95.6%		Start of week 97	31/60	32/60	30/60	35/60	40/60	45/60	50/60	43/60
Microscopic		Start of week 104	25/60	25/60	23/60	25/60	31/60	37/60	44/60	43/60
examination carried out in		At scheduled kill	19/60	24/60	21/60	24/60	29/60	37/60	43/60	43/60
all organs in										
all dose groups		Bodyweight a								
in the main		100 ppm (4.0/								
study.		2000 ppm (79							ales ↓	
		bodyweight ga								
		7000 ppm (28								
OECD 453		102). In femal	$es \downarrow bod$	yweight	gain (18	% at we	ek 102),	↓food co	nsumptic	m.
GLP: Yes			a							
		Tissue specifi								
DAR 6.5.1		Liver was mos					d liver w	veight, hi	stopathol	ogical
Unpublished		findings and clinical chemistry changes. Histopathological findings also seen in the ovary and thyroid, and there were								
Study (ref). (2009)		Histopathologi some minimal					ry and th	yroid, ar	nd there w	vere

Neoplastic findings	(includ	es all an	imals fro	om termi	nal kill and those that died
during the course of					
Liver:	0	100	2000	7000	Historical control incidence (50
Dose (ppm)	0	100	2000	7000	- 60 animals per control group)
Number of animals Males: Hepatocellular adenoma	60	60	60 0	60	10 studies Range: 0 – 3 (0 – 5%) Overall incidence: 14/585 (2.4%)
Males: Hepatocellular carcinoma	1	1	0	0	
Females: Hepatocellular adenoma	0	2	5*	4	10 studies Range: 0 – 3 (0 – 5%) Overall incidence: 11/585 (1.9%)
Females: Hepatocellular carcinoma	0	0	1	0	
* significantly different f	rom contro	ol, p≤0.05			
Ovary:		1	1		
Dose (ppm)	0	100	2000	7000	Historical control incidence (50 – 60 animals per control group)
Number of animals Ovary: tubulostromal	60	60	60	60	
adenocarcinoma	0	1	1	0	
Ovary: tubulostromal adenoma	2	1	1	7	10 studies Range: $0 - 4$ (0 - 6.7%) Overall incidence: 15/580 (2.6%)
Brain:					
Dose (ppm)	0	100	2000	7000	Historical control incidence (50 – 60 animals per control group)
Number of animals	60	60	60	60	10 studies
Males: Astrocytoma	1	0	0	3	Range: 0 - 2 (0 - 3.7%) Overall incidence: 9/584 (1.54%)
Females: Astrocytoma	0	0	0	0	10 studies Range: 0 (0%) Overall incidence 0/585 (0%)
Haematopoietic sys	stem:	<u>.</u>			
Dose (ppm)	0	100	2000	7000	Historical control incidence (50 – 60 animals per control group)
Number of animals	60	60	60	60	0 studies
Males: Histiocytic sarcoma	0	3	3	5*	9 studies Range: 0 - 2 (0 -3.3%) Overall incidence: 4/525 (1.54%)
Females: Histiocytic sarcoma	3	0	0	0	9 studies Range: 0 - 4 (0 - 6.7%) Overall incidence: 6/525 (1.1%)
* significantly different f	rom contro	ol, p <u>≤0.05</u>			

Mouse	0, 100, 1000,	Non-neoplasti	c findin	05.						
C57BL/6J	6000 ppm	See Table 14 f			non-neo	plastic f	indings.			
strain	corresponding to					1	C			
Dietary	0, 14.3/18.4,	<u>Survival:</u>								
50/sex/dose	146/182,				ales	(000			nales	(000
(plus 10 in	880/1101 mg/kg	Dose (ppm) Start of week	0	100	2000	6000	0	100	2000	6000
chronic	bw/day.	52	54/60	55/60	58/60	59/60	57/60	57/60	57/60	57/60
satellite group		Start of week	36/50	38/50	43/50	47/50	44/50	43/50	47/50	45/50
killed at 54		80	30/30	30/30	45/50	+7/30		45/50	+//30	H3/30
weeks)			10 1							
78 week		Bodyweight a					:.:			
70 WEEK		No effects at a	ny dose.	No cili	lical sigi	15 01 tox	icity.			
Date		Tissue specifie	findin							
performed		Liver was mos			organ a	s eviden	ced by i	ncreased	liver we	ight and
March 2007 –		histopathologie								
Oct 2009		There were son								<i>.</i>
		parameters we			0	·	C		5	
Penflufen										
purity 95.6%		Neoplastic fin		includes	all anim	als from	termina	l kill an	d that die	d during
		course of the s	tudy):							
OECD 451										
GLP: Yes		Liver:				1		Histor	ical control	
		D (、 、	0	100	1000	(000	incide		
DAR 6.5.2		Dose (ppm	1)	0	100	1000	6000	(50 an	imals per	
Unpublished								contro 10 stud	l group)	
Study (ref). (2009a)								10 stud	ules	
(2009a)		Males: Hepatoc	ellular	1	5	1	4	Range		
Microscopic		adenoma		1	5	1	-		ll incidence	:
examination								7/500	(1.470)	
carried out in								10 stu	dies	
all organs in		Males: Hepatoc carcinoma	ellular	1	1	3	3	Not ob	oserved	
all dose		carcinonia						NOT OU	serveu	
groups.								10 stu	dies	
		Females:						Range	· 0 2	
		Hepatocellular		1	0	1	0		ll incidence	:
		adenoma							(0.8%)	
								10 stu	lies	
		Females: Hepatocellular		0	0	0		10 500	1103	
		carcinoma		0	0	0	1	Not ob	oserved	
		^a one animal wit	h both ad	lenoma a	nd carein	Jma				
		^b two animals w								
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4.8.1 Non-human information

4.8.1.1 Carcinogenicity: oral

Carcinogenicity study in the rat

In a GLP and guideline-compliant reliable study, rats were administered penflufen in the diet for 104 weeks.

Details of non-neoplastic findings are provided in section 4.7 (repeated dose toxicity). There were no adverse treatment-related effects on survival. It is noted that survival in males at 104 weeks was below 50% in all groups including controls. The reduced survival in males is not considered treatment-related as mortality was comparable in all dose groups throughout the study. Survival was above 50% up to week 97 of the study; this was considered adequate for the assessment of carcinogenicity.

In treated females, there was a small increased incidence of benign tumours (hepatocellular adenoma and increased ovarian tubulostromal adenoma in some of the treatment groups. However, for both tumour types, the relationship to dose was unclear. In treated males, there was an increased incidence of malignant tumours (astrocytoma in the brain and increased histiocytic sarcoma of the haematopoietic system). These findings are considered further below.

Liver

In females, there was an increase in benign hepatocellular tumours (0%, 3%, 8% and 7% in the control, low, mid and high dose groups respectively). The incidences at the mid and high doses slightly exceeded the laboratory historical control range (0-5%) from 10 studies.

In males, the incidence of benign hepatocellular adenoma was within the historical control range and considered to be incidental.

In animals that died prematurely, hepatocellular adenoma occurred in one top dose male and one mid dose female. There was no increase in malignant liver tumours in either sex and no liver tumours occurred in the chronic phase of the study.

The main non-neoplastic liver findings are summarised in Table 18, below. Similar findings, together with liver enzyme induction, were also reported in the repeat dose toxicity studies with penflufen. Females were generally more sensitive than males. The treatment-related increased frequency of eosinophilic foci in females exceeded the historical control in incidence and severity in all dose groups, and may indicate pre-neoplastic changes with the potential to progress to tumours.

Given that the liver is clearly a target organ for penflufen, the small increase in benign tumours seen in females may have been treatment-related. However, there is no explanation for the absence of similar findings in males or the absence of malignant tumours and it is possible that the increased survival in the female-treatment groups (compared to control females) could have contributed to the increased frequencies seen.

•	Severity			Dietary concentration of Penflufen (ppm)					
Parameter	Severity		Μ	ales			Females		
		0	100	2000	7000	0	100	2000	7000
Number examined		60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60
Rel. liver wt. (% of body weight)		2.14	2.15	2.20	2.50** (+17%)	2.46	2.38	2.50	2.79** (+13%)
	Min	0	5	20	39	0	0	21	26
Liver: centrilobular to panlobular hepatocellular hypertrophy	Slight to mod	0	0	1	11	0	0	1	21
nypoluopny	Total	0	5*	21**	50**	0	0	22**	47**
	Min	0	1	8	21	0	0	13	19
	Slight	0	0	1	2	0	0	3	8
Liver : hepatocellular brown pigment: focal	Mod to marked	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3
	Total	0	1	9**	23**	0	0	18**	30**
	Min	22	26	26	20	25	24	23	23
	Slight	1	4	6	9	2	14	22	15
Liver: eosinophilic focus(i) of hepatocellular alteration	Mod				1			1	1
F	Total	23 (38%)	30 (50%)	32 (53%)	30 (50%)	27 (45%)	38 (63%)	46** (77%)	39* (65%)
		Study range		Overall incidence		Study range		Overall incidence	
Historical control ^A for	Min	4-41 ((8 - 68%)	134/525 (26%)		0-30 (0-54%)		125/585 (21%)	
eosinophilic foci in the liver	Slight	0-6(0 - 10%)	28/52	5 (5%)	2 - 8 (3 - 13%)		39/58	5 (7%)
	Mod	0-2 ((0 - 3%)	5/525	5 (1%)	0 -5 (0	0 - 8%)	9/585	5 (2%)
* .;;6	Total		(3 – 78%)		5 (29%)	×	8 - 60%)	173/58	5 (30%)

Table 18: Summary of the main non-neoplastic findings in the liver in rats administered penflufen for 104 weeks

* significantly different from control, $p \le 0.05$ ** significantly different from control, $p \le 0.01$

<u>Brain</u>

The incidence of astrocytoma in males marginally exceeded the maximum historical control incidence (3%) in the top dose group (1.7%, 0%, 0% and 5% in the control, low, mid and high dose groups respectively). The 3 males in the top dose group with astrocytoma all died prematurely during the study (the control male was found to have astrocytoma at the terminal kill).

The tumour frequency in males was only just outside the historical control range and no tumours were seen in females. No other obvious treatment-related changes in brain pathology were seen at necropsy. Metabolites of penflufen have been detected in the brain of exposed rats, but the brain is not a major target organ of exposure (see section on Toxicokinetics). Taking into account all of these factors, a clear indication of a carcinogenic response in the brain is considered to be lacking.

Haematopoietic system

In males, histiocytic sarcoma exceeded the maximum historical control incidence (3.3%) in all dose groups (0%,5%, 5%, and 8.3% in the control, low mid and high dose groups respectively). The 3 animals with tumours in the mid dose and 2/5 in the top dose died prematurely during the carcinogenicity phase of the study. There were no histiocytic sarcomas in the chronic phase (see

section 4.7). According to the pathology report, these tumours originated in the haematopoietic tissues, although many affected rats also had metastasis. Treatment-related findings in the bone marrow, spleen, thymus and lymph nodes were not identified in the current study or in any of the other repeat dose studies.

There were no histiocytic tumours in treated females, although 3 control females were affected. It is not clear why treated males would be more susceptible to this tumour than treated females as there were only minor sex differences in tissue distribution and metabolism of penflufen in the metabolism studies. The available toxicokinetic information on penflufen suggests that females have a slightly higher level of systemic exposure than males (as measured by higher urinary excretion). Overall, although the very slight increase in histiocytic sarcoma frequency seen in treated male rats may have occurred by chance, the possibility of a very weak treatment-related effect cannot be excluded.

<u>Ovary</u>

There was an increased incidence of benign tubulostromal tumours in the top dose females that survived to the terminal kill (3.3%, 1.7%, 1.7% and 11.7% animals in the control, low, mid and high dose groups respectively). At the top dose, this exceeded the maximum historical control incidence of 6.7%. There were no lesions or tumours in the ovary in the chronic phase of the study and there was no treatment related increase in malignant tubulostromal tumours.

A slight increased incidence of ovarian tubulostromal hyperplasia was noted in the top dose group (5%, 6.7%, 1.7%, 11.7% at 0, 100, 2000 and 7000 mg/kg bw/ day respectively). However the severity of the lesion was not markedly increased, the incidence was within the historical control range, and none of the lesions were graded as more than 'moderate'. There was no change in ovary weights in any of the rat studies, and no other evidence indicative of a hormonal disturbance or any treatment-related effect in the ovaries.

Overall, there was an increased frequency of tubulostromal adenoma in the top dose animals and this exceed historical control levels. Evidence of target organ toxicity and other pre-neoplastic lesions is minimal, and no malignancy was seen, but the effect at the top dose may have been treatment-related.

Carcinogenicity study in the mouse

In a GLP and guideline compliant reliable study, mice were administered penflufen in the diet for 78 weeks. There were no adverse treatment-related effects on survival, and survival in all groups exceeded the minimal acceptable level. However, it is noted that there was increased survival in the males in the treated groups (60%, 76%, 86% and 94% survival in males in the controls, low, mid and high dose groups respectively).

Liver

The incidence of hepatocellular carcinoma exceeded the historical control incidence (0%) in all male dose groups, including the concurrent control (2%, 2%, 6% and 6% in the control, low, mid and high dose groups, respectively). Hepatocellular adenoma was increased in males in the low and top dose groups (1/50, 5/50, 1/50 and 4/50), but there was no dose response and the incidence at the top dose was within the historical control range (0-8%). All of these tumours were observed at terminal sacrifice with the exception of one male in the mid dose group which died during the course of the study.

Hepatocellular carcinoma was observed in 1/50 females in the high dose group, compared to 0 in all other groups and controls. There was no increase in adenomas in females.

Other findings in the liver are shown in Table 19, below. They included significant increased relative liver weights of 20% and 24% in males and females, respectively. Treated animals of both sexes had significant increases in diffuse centrilobular hepatocellular hypertrophy, with males affected in all dose groups, and females affected in the top and mid dose groups. Males in the top dose group had significantly increased incidence of diffuse hepatocellular vacuolation, and females in the top dose group had significantly increased incidence of diffuse hepatocellular macrovacuolation which was mainly periportal. However there was no evidence of pre-neoplastic changes such as foci of hepatocellular alteration.

		Dietary concentration of Penflufen (ppm)							
Parameter	Severity gr		Ν	lales			Fe	males	
		0	100	1000	6000	0	100	1000	6000
Number examined		48	49	49	48	50	50	50	50
Absolute liver weight. (g)		1.18	1.18	1.20	1.40** (+19%)	1.27	1.28	1.32	1.56** (+23%)
Rel. liver wt. (% of body weight)		4.48	4.39	4.57	5.39** (+20%)	5.32	5.40	5.56	6.60** (+24%)
	Min	0	9	17	2	0	4	2	20
Liver: diffuse centrilobular	Slight	0	3	9	15	0	1	1	10
hepatocellular hypertrophy	Moderate	0	1	3	29	0	0	0	1
	Total	0	13**	29**	46**	0	3	5*	31**
	Min	8	10	7	13	16	7	14	12
Liver : diffuse hepatocellular	Slight	2	2	4	6	20	24	16	18
vacuolation	Moderate	0	0	1	0	2	9	14	14
	Total	10	12	12	19*	38	40	44	44
	Min	0	0	1	1	11	8	7	9
Liver: diffuse hepatocellular	Slight	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	22
macrovacuolation mainly periportal	Moderate	0	0	1	0	2	9	14	14
	Total	0	0	1	1	14	11	7	41**
Liver: hepatocellular carcinoma		1	1	3	3	0	0	0	1
Liver: hepatocellular adenoma		1	5	1	4	1	0	1	0

Table 19:	le 19: Summary of the main non-neoplastic and neoplastic findings in the liver in mice				
administered penflufen for 78 weeks					

* significantly different from control, $p \le 0.05$ ** significantly different from control, $p \le 0.01$

As seen in the rat, the liver is clearly a target organ for penflufen. Given that hepatocellular carcinoma is extremely rare historically in the strain of mouse tested, the small numbers of tumours seen in both males and females administered penflufen may have been treatment-related. However, there was no dose-related increase in benign tumours and, as survival in males was higher in treated groups than in controls, the increased frequency of carcinoma seen in the mid and high dose groups could have been due to increased survival. Consequently the strength of supportive evidence is weak.

4.8.1.2 Carcinogenicity: inhalation

No relevant data available.

4.8.1.3 Carcinogenicity: dermal

No relevant data available.

4.8.2 Human information

No relevant data available.

4.8.3 Other relevant information

Mechanistic studies relevant to findings in the liver

Several non-guideline, non-GLP, mechanistic studies have been conducted to investigate whether the increased liver tumours seen in rats and mice treated with penflufen are linked to activation of the constitutive androstane receptor (CAR) and the pregnane X receptor (PXR). This potential mode of action (MOA) is generally considered to be qualitatively not plausible for humans (see review by Elcombe *et al.* 2014). The studies assess CYP enzyme induction, cytotoxicity and replicative DNA synthesis in isolated rat and human hepatocytes, and enzyme induction and cell proliferation in rats and mice following 7 days administration of penflufen.

The studies are summarised below. Their relevance to the assessment of penflufen carcinogenicity is discussed in Section 4.9.4.

4.9.3.1 In vitro studies with rat hepatocytes

A study to investigate enzyme induction, cytotoxicity and cell proliferation was conducted in isolated female Wistar rat hepatocytes. Cells pooled from an unspecified number of animals were exposed for 3 days to penflufen (0.1, 1, 3, 10, 30, 100 μ M; 95.6% pure), phenobarbital (10, 100, 1000 μ M) or a solvent control (DMSO at a maximal concentration of 0.5% v/v). Phenobarbital is a model inducer of CAR/PXR and therefore was employed as a positive control. The investigation of cell proliferation also included cultures exposed to epidermal growth factor (EGF) (25 ng/ml) which served as a positive control for replicative DNA synthesis.

Test system	Results and Conclusion	
Enzyme induction	Penflufen:	DAR 6.5.3
Enzyme activity (3 replicates/dose) measured using standard assay	PROD (CYP2B activity): up to 5 fold ↑ versus control.	Unpublished Study (ref). (2011a) Non-guideline
protocols for: PROD (CYP2B), BROD (CYP2B/CYP3A),	BROD (CYP2B/CYP3A activity): up to 1.8 fold ↑ versus control.	study GLP: No
BQ (CYP3A)	BQ (CYP3A activity): up to 2.4 fold ↑ versus control.	
	Phenobarbital:	
	\uparrow enzyme activities in all three assays, at least 2 x effect seen with penflufen at a dose of 100 μ M	
	PROD \uparrow 10 fold,	
	BROD \uparrow 5.7 fold, BQ \uparrow 3 fold.	
Cytotoxicity	Penflufen: 11% \downarrow in ATP at 100 µM penflufen.	
	Phenobarbital: No reduction in ATP in any	
Cell toxicity assay (6 replicates/dose) measured by ATP depletion assay kit	other dose groups or in cells treated with phenobarbital.	
Study to investigate replicative DNA synthesis	Penflufen: up to 1.7 fold \uparrow compared to vehicle controls.	
Replicative DNA synthesis (5 replicates/dose) measured by BrdU	Phenobarbital: up to 1.8 fold \uparrow in DNA replication.	
incorporation.	EGF: 5.5 fold \uparrow in DNA replication.	

 Table 20:
 Summary of in vitro studies with rat hepatocytes exposed to penflufen

Phenobarbital is known to be an inducer of the constitutive androstane receptor (CAR) and typically induces PROD, BROD activity, and to a lesser extent BQ. In this study, both penflufen and phenobarbital preferentially induced PROD of the CYP2B subfamily. With phenobarbital BROD (of the CYP2B/CYP3A superfamily) was induced to a greater degree than BQ (of the CYP3A superfamily), whereas penflufen induced BQ to a greater degree than BROD. The magnitude of enzyme induction by penflufen was less marked than seen with phenobarbital. Penflufen also caused a proliferative response in the rat hepatocytes that was of similar magnitude to that induced

by phenobarbital. Both substances appeared less potent at stimulating DNA synthesis than Epidermal Growth Factor (EGF), which was used as a positive control.

The ATP assay indicated that penflufen may be slightly cytotoxic but only at the highest dose tested (100 μ M), whereas there was no evidence of cytotoxicity in phenobarbital (up to 1000 μ M).

The proliferative response observed together with the profile of hepatic enzymes induced by penflufen, in particular the induction of PROD, suggests that penflufen may be an inducer of CAR/PXR in the female rat.

4.9.3.2 In vivo studies in rats

An *in vivo* study to investigate enzyme induction, cytotoxicity and cell proliferation was conducted in female Wistar rats. Groups of 5 rats were administered 0 or 7000 ppm (595 mg/kg penflufen; 99.6% purity) for 7 days. Another group received 7 daily doses of 80 mg/kg phenobarbital. The main findings are summarised in the following table.

Test System]	Results and Concl	usion	Reference
Liver enzyme induction Liver microsomes analysed for total cytochrome P450 using reduced CO differential spectrum via spectrophotometry. Liver microsomes analysed for enzyme activity using standard assays for: EROD (CYP1A), PROD (CYP2B), BROD (CYP3A) and lauric acid hydroxylation (CYP4A), UDPGT- 4Nitrophenol and UDPGT-Bilirubin	7000 ppm per 61%↑ cytochr 267% ↑ PROI 1568% ↑ BRO 172%↑ UDPG 277%↑ UDPG No effect on C 80 mg/kg bw/ 38%↑ cytochr 810%↑ PROD 3789%↑ BRO 104%↑ UDPG 86%↑ UDPG No effect on C	Unpublished Study (ref). (2013) Non- guideline study GLP: No		
Gene transcription	Gene transcrip	ots:		
Cytoplasmic RNA isolated from pooled liver samples was analysed using quantitative PCR to measure gene	Gene transcripts	Phenobarbital 80 mg/kg bw/day	Penflufen 595 mg/kg bw/day	
transcription of Cyp 1A1, CYP2B1,	CYP1A1	No change	+411%	
CYP3A3, CYP4A1, UDPGTR2 (UDP	CYP2B1	+2747%	+554%	
glucuronosyltransferase), UGT1A6 (UDP glucuronosyltransferase), SULT2A2	СҮРЗАЗ	+787%	+1049%	
(sulfotransferase), EPHX1 (epoxide	CYP4A1	No change	No change	
hydrolase), GSTM4 (glutathione-S-	UGTLA6	+220%	+174%	
transferase), P-450 oxydoreductase POR,	UDPGTR2	+167%	+181%	
and beta-microglobulin B2M.	SULT2A2	-46%	+48%	
	EPHX1	+218%	+107%	
	GSTM4	+630%	No change	
	POR	-50%	-31%	

 Table 21:
 Summary of in vivo studies in rats exposed to penflufen

Cell proliferation	7000 ppm penflufen (595 mg/kg bw/day)	
Cell proliferation measurement using	10% ↓ body weight	
imunohistochemical staining of	17% ↑ relative liver weight	
histopathology slides for BrdU of	No adverse liver histopathology	
duodenum and liver sections. Nuclei		
stained using haematoxylin.	\uparrow cell proliferation in centrilobular and periportal area of liver (60% \uparrow - not statistically significant)	
BrdU was administered in the water.		
	80 mg/kg bw/day phenobarbital	
Other investigations conducted: gross		
pathology, liver and brain weight,	12% ↑ absolute liver weight	
histopathological exam of liver	14% ↑ relative liver weight	
	Hepatocellular hypertrophy in 2/5 animals	
	Hepatocellular single cell necrosis in 1/5 animals	
	Increased hepatic mitoses in 1/5 animals	
	↑ cell proliferation in centrilobular area of liver	
	(48%↑ - not statistically significant)	

Induction of Phase I liver enzymes was shown by significant increases in cytochrome P450 following treatment with penflufen or phenobarbital. Penflufen caused a marked increase in BROD and PROD that was similar to phenobarbital, although the magnitude was lower. Penflufen and phenobarbital also induced Phase II liver enzymes shown by increased UDP GT-4Nitrophenol and UDP GT-Bilirubin.

Penflufen also significantly increased Phase I and Phase II liver enzyme transcription. Like phenobarbital, penflufen treatment caused a marked increase in CYP 2B1(known to be influenced by CAR/PXR). Both substances also strongly upregulated CYP 3A3.

However, penflufen induced CYP 1A1 gene transcription. Although this may be under some influence of CAR, it is widely recognised as a marker of arylhydrocarbon receptor AhR induction. This receptor is involved in various cellular signalling pathways and dysregulation of these cellular processes may provoke a carcinogenic response. Phenobarbital had no effect on CYP 1A1 transcription or EROD activity.

Penflufen didn't produce an increase in glutathione-S-transferase (GST M4) gene transcription, which might have been expected of a substance that activates CAR/PXR. However, an increase was seen in mouse liver following dosing with penflufen (see below).

Liver enlargement and cell proliferation was evident in rats treated with penflufen or phenobarbital. However, adverse liver histology was only seen in rats treated with phenobarbital. Overall, the findings in this study were generally consistent with activation of CAR/PXR. However, the induction of CYP 1A1 additionally implicates an inducing effect on AhR.

4.9.3.3 In vivo studies in mice

An *in vivo* study to investigate enzyme induction, cytotoxicity and cell proliferation was conducted in male C57BL/6J mice. Groups of 5 animals were administered 0 or 6000 ppm (1041 mg/kg penflufen; 99.6% purity) for 7 days. Another group received 7 daily doses of 80 mg/kg phenobarbital. The main findings are summarised in the following table.

Table 22: Summary in vivo studies with mice exposed to penflufen				
Test System	R	esults and Conclusio)n	
Liver enzyme induction Liver microsomes analysed for enzyme activity using standard EROD (CYP1A), PROD (CYP2B), BROD (CYP3A) and lauric acid hydroxylation (CYP4A), UDPGT-4Nitrophenol, UDPGT- Bilirubin assays. Liver microsomes analysed for total Cytochrome P450 using reduced CO differential spectrum via spectrophotometry	86%↑ cytochron 66%↑ EROD 673% ↑ PROD 5679 ↑ BROD 57%↑ UDPGT-I	Bilirubin ay phenobarbital ne P450 content D	w/day)	Unpublish ed Study (ref). (2013a) Non- guideline study GLP: No
Gene transcription Cytoplasmic RNA isolated from pooled liver samples was analysed using	Gene transcripts	Phenobarbital	Penflufen 1041 mg/kg	-
quantitative PCR to measure gene	transcripts	80 mg/kg bw/day	bw/day	
transcription of Cyp 1A1, CYP2B9,	CYP 1A1	+69%	No change	
CYP2B10, CYP3A11, CYP4A1, UDP	CYP 2B9	+1614%	No change	
glucoronoyltransferases UGT1A1,	CYP 2B10	+7113%	+1568%	
UGT2B5, sulfotransferases SULT1A1, SULT2A2 and SULTN, Glutatione S-	CYP 3A11	+329%	+101%	
transferase GSTM4, Epoxide hydrolase EPHX1, P-450 oxydoreductase POR,	CYP 4A10	No change	+35%	
and beta-microglobulin B2M.	UGT 1A1	+230%	+57%	
	UGT 2B1	+141%	+42%	
	UGT 2B5	+89%	+47%	
	SULT 1A1	+105%	No change	
	SULT 2A2	+173%	No change	
	SULT N	+301%	+53%	
	EPHX 1	+125%	+52%	
	GST M4	+98%	+73%	
	P-450 POR	+203%	No change	
Cell proliferation	6000 ppm penfl	ufen (1041 mg/kg bv	w/day)	-
Cell proliferation measurement using imunohistochemical staining of histopathology slides for BrdU of duodenum and liver sections. Nuclei		lute/ relative liver we pertrophy in 24/24 ma	0	
stained using haematoxylin. BrdU was administered in the water		on in centrilobular an oprox. 60%↑ - not sta		
		ay phenobarbital		
Other investigations conducted: gross pathology, liver and brain weight, histopathological exam of liver	controls ↑ cell proliferation	pertrophy in 25/25 ma on in centrilobular an 3 fold↑ - not statistic	d periportal area	

Table 22: Summary in vivo studies with mice exposed to penflufen

Penflufen caused significant phase I and phase II enzyme induction. Induction of Phase I liver enzymes was shown by significant increases in cytochrome P450 following treatment with penflufen; the magnitude of the effect was similar to that seen with phenobarbital. Penflufen caused a marked increase in EROD, PROD, BROD and UDPGT-bilirubin in a pattern that was similar to phenobarbital, although the magnitude of the effect less.

Penflufen significantly increased Phase I and Phase II liver enzyme transcription in a manner similar but not identical to phenobarbital, but the magnitude of the effect was about 50% lower. Both substances significantly increased CYP2B10, and to a lesser extent CYP 3A11, both of which are controlled by CAR/PXR. The main difference was that penflufen did not induce CYP2B9 compared to a 1614% induction by phenobarbital.

Penflufen caused an increase in liver weight and hepatocellular hypertrophy. Cell proliferation in the liver was also evident, although the magnitude of proliferation induced by penflufen was considerably lower compared to that seen with phenobarbital. The increase did not reach statistical significance as there was considerable variation between animals in the extent of proliferation recorded.

The pattern of enzyme activity, the liver hypertrophy and hepatocellular proliferation seen with penflufen are broadly indicative of CAR/PXR activation.

4.9.3.4 In vitro studies in human hepatocytes

A study to investigate the effects of penflufen on enzyme induction, cytotoxicity and cell proliferation was conducted in human hepatocytes.

Cryopreserved primary human female hepatocytes from one donor were cultured with 0, 0.1, 0.3, 1, 3, 10, 30 μ M penflufen (95.6%), Additional cultures were exposed to phenobarbital (10, 100, 1000 μ M) for comparative purposes. Epidermal growth factor (EGF) was employed as a positive control to demonstrate the inherent capacity of these cells to undertake replicative DNA synthesis.

Test system	Results and Conclusion	
Enzyme induction	Penflufen: PROD: no increase in activity.	DAR 6.5.3 Unpublished Study
Enzyme activity (3 replicates/dose) measured after a 96 hour exposure period using standard assay protocols for: PROD (CYP2B) BROD (CYP2B/CYP3A) BQ (CYP3A).	BROD: up to 1.45 fold \uparrow versus control at 3 μ M. BQ: up to 2 fold \uparrow versus control at 30 μ M.	(ref). (2011b) Non-guideline study GLP: No
	Phenobarbital: \uparrow enzyme activities in all three assays at high doses (1000 µM) PROD \uparrow 2.6 fold, BROD \uparrow 5 fold, BQ \uparrow 3.3 fold	
	At lower doses (10 μM) phenobarbital had no effect.	
Cytotoxicity	Penflufen : 9% and 32% ↓ in ATP at 10 and 30µM penflufen respectively.	
Cell toxicity assay (6 replicates/dose) measured by ATP depletion assay kit	Phenobarbital : 15%↓ in ATP at 1000 μM phenobarbital.	
Replicative DNA synthesis	Penflufen: No increase in replicative DNA synthesis.	
	Phenobarbital: No increase in replicative DNA synthesis.	
	EGF (25 ng/ml): Marked (9-fold) increase in DNA replication.	

 Table 23:
 Summary of in vitro studies in human hepatocytes exposed to penflufen

 Text system
 Besults and Conclusion

As indicated by the reduction in ATP levels, penflufen appeared to be slightly cytotoxic at the highest dose tested in this test system. Small increases in the activity of BROD and BQ were seen, but not in the activity of PROD. The lack of PROD induction (a marker for CYP2B) by penflufen suggests it is not a potent inducer of CAR in human female hepatocytes. It did, however, produce

modest increases in BROD and BQ. Whereas BROD is a marker both of CYP2B and CYP3A, increased BQ is a marker for CYP 3A1 induction, which is likely to be linked to PXR activation.

Penflufen exposure did not stimulate an increase in replicative DNA synthesis. In contrast, exposure to the positive control (EGF) produced a 9-fold increase in replicative DNA synthesis, indicating that the cultured cells could proliferate when exposed to appropriate stimuli.

Phenobarbital exposure also failed to stimulate proliferation of the hepatocytes. This substance was less toxic to the cells than penflufen and under the conditions of this study induced PRD as well as BROD and BQ.

Although this profile of responses was different to those seen with rat and mouse hepatocyte cultures, only one donor was used to source the hepatocytes and therefore care should be taken before reaching any firm conclusions about its relevance to the human population as a whole.

4.8.4 Summary and discussion of carcinogenicity

The carcinogenic potential of penflufen has been investigated in rats and mice. The various different tumour types that may have been induced by penflufen in these studies are considered below.

Liver tumours

There were small increases in the frequency of hepatocellular adenoma in male and female rats. Only the findings in females appeared to be biologically significant as the rate in males (2/60 at the top dose) was within the historical control range of the laboratory (0-5%) and only just above the concurrent control level (1/60). No adenomas were seen in concurrent control females, but there were 5/60 and 4/60 at the top 2 doses of penflufen. The historical control rate was 0-5%.

There were no clinical signs of toxicity in any dose group but penflufen caused adverse changes in the liver at the top two dose levels with females showing increased susceptibility to liver lesions compared to males, in particular increased eosinophilic foci provided evidence of pre-neoplastic changes in females. There was no evidence of a penflufen-mediated increase in the incidence of hepatocellular carcinoma in either male or female rats.

There was an increased incidence of liver carcinoma in male mice treated with penflufen in the top and mid dose groups that exceeded the concurrent and historical control incidence rates. An isolated case was seen in female mice at the highest dose level only. Small numbers of benign tumours were also evident in both males and females, but a clear dose-response was not established. Additionally, there were hypertrophic changes in the liver in mice with males being slightly more susceptible than females. However, there were no indications of pre-neoplastic changes in the liver, and no clinical signs of toxicity.

There are various possible mechanistic explanations that can be considered for this weak carcinogenic response in rats and mice. They are summarised in the following table.

Mode of action	Data relating to penflufen	Conclusion
Genotoxicity	Negative data in standard tests	Unlikely
Cytotoxicity	No evidence of a cytotoxic mode of action in the liver <i>in vivo</i> in either rats or mice. Slight cytotoxicity in rat hepatocytes <i>in vitro</i> (11% reduction in ATP at the highest dose tested).	Unlikely
PPARα receptor activation	No induction of CYP 4A1 gene transcription in rat or mice hepatocytes, and there was no evidence of peroxisome proliferation (a key marker of PPAR α receptor activators) in histopathological examinations.	Unlikely
CAR/PXR receptor activation	Mechanistic studies show that penflufen induces changes in rats and mice consistent with this mechanism (see details below this table).	Plausible, but not definitive
AhR receptor activation	In female rats penflufen did not induce EROD activity, although a modest increase in CYP 1A1 transcription occurred. In male mice penflufen induced a slight increase in EROD activity but no CYP 1A1 gene transcription. These findings indicate that penflufen may be activating AhR. However the magnitude of these effects was considerably lower than the activation of PROD and BROD activity and CYP 2B and CYP 3A transcription all of which are associated with CAR and PXR activation.	Unlikely
Porphyria	In rats administered penflufen at high doses, there were foci of brown pigment in the liver. The cause of the brown pigment was not confirmed but it can be an indicator of iron accumulation. However peliosis and necrosis were absent and red blood cell parameters were normal.	Unlikely
Endocrine	There was a slight increase in tubulostromal hyperplasia and tubulostromal adenocarcinoma in female rats in the two year study, but no adverse effects were seen in the ovaries in any of the repeat dose studies of shorter duration to indicate any hormonal disturbances.	Unlikely
Immunosuppression	In the two year study in male rats there was an increased incidence of histiocytic sarcoma, which is an immune cell malignancy. However, no changes in the immune system or immune cells were detected in any of the shorter term studies or in a 29/30 day immunotoxicity study.	Unlikely

In recognition that penflufen may be associated with a weak hepatocarcinogenic effect in rats and mice, the applicant sponsored a series of mechanistic studies (Section 4.9.3) to investigate a possible non-genotoxic mode of action involving liver stimulation via an axis of constitutive androstane receptor (CAR) and pregnane X receptor (PXR) induction. As discussed previously in detail by the Risk Assessment Committee, the key events in this process are considered to be:

- CAR activation
- Altered gene expression specific to CAR activation
- Increased cell proliferation
- Inhibition of apoptosis
- Clonal expansion leading to altered foci
- Liver adenomas/carcinomas

Such a non-genotoxic mode of action has been considered of limited relevance to humans (Elcombe *et al*, 3014).

The mechanistic studies showed that penflufen increased gene transcription and activity of Phase I and Phase II xenobiotic metabolising enzymes in the livers of rats and mice in a pattern that is broadly consistent with activation of CAR/PXR nuclear receptors. A similar induction profile was also seen in cultured human hepatocytes. In contrast, although penflufen clearly had the potential to induce hepatocellular proliferation in rats and mice, it did not induce proliferation in cultured human hepatocytes. Results such as these may indicate a lack of human relevance of the liver tumour findings seen in rats and mice.

Importantly, the strength of these mechanistic investigations is limited because cells from only one human donor were investigated. Although these cells responded as would have been expected to the control substances, a single donor is considered insufficient to represent the human population as a whole.

A critical assessment of the data is presented in the following table, with reference also to the results seen with the model substance, phenobarbital.

Key and	Evidence in rats and mice	Evidence in humans
associative events		
Activation of CAR	YES.	UNCLEAR.
	In rats suggested through the <i>in vitro</i> and <i>in vivo</i> MOA studies with increased PROD and BROD and BQ activity and increased transcription of CYP2B and CYP 3A enzymes. Potency of penflufen was lower compared to phenobarbital. Similar findings seen in mice.	MOA study <i>in vitro</i> indicated increased BROD and BQ activity (with similar potency to rats). Potency of BROD and BQ induction was lower compared to phenobarbital. However, PROD activity (a key marker of CAR activation) was absent. Suggests penflufen may primarily induce PXR and not CAR in humans.
Altered gene	YES.	Uncertain
expression	In rats marked increase in CYP 2B1 and CYP 3A3 which are controlled by CAR/PXR. In mice marked increase in CYP 2B10 and CYP 3A11 which are controlled by CAR/PXR. Increased phase II liver enzyme transcription.	Predicted to occur based on increased BROD and BQ activity. Insufficient information on possibility of CYP 1A1 induction.
	However, Increased CYP 1A1 in rats indicates that other potential modes of action may be possible.	
Hypertrophy	YES.	Uncertain
	In rats, liver hypertrophy evident in both sexes. In mice, males were more susceptible to hepatocellular hypertrophy in the centrilobular region compared to females (hypertrophy in this region may be an indicator of enzyme induction).	Not measured with penflufen but is predicted to occur in humans where CAR activation occurs based on published evidence in humans treated with anticonvulsant drugs.
Increased	YES.	Inconclusive.
hepatocellular proliferation	Significant proliferation <i>in vitro</i> with cultured female rat hepatocytes. Slight proliferation <i>in vivo</i> in female rats, moderate proliferation <i>in vivo</i> in male mice.	Would be predicted not to occur based on published evidence for species specificity of CAR activators in the literature. However, the evidence to support the lack of a proliferative effect of penflufen in humans is limited to studies in hepatocytes from a single human donor and it is questionable whether this study in isolation is sufficiently robust to make a firm conclusion on the lack of relevance for humans.
Altered hepatic foci	YES.	No data
-	In female rats <i>in vivo</i> . None seen in male rats or in male or female mice <i>in vivo</i> .	

Liver tumours	YES, although the carcinogenic response was weak and its association to all the evidence for CAR/PXR activation not entirely convincing. Liver tumours increased in female rats and male mice. However, these sex-specific observations could not be explained by the mechanistic data (no studies conducted with male rats or female mice). The responses	No data.
	were very small and there was no increase in malignant tumours seen in rats. In rats, tumours were also seen in the ovary, brain and haematopoietic tissues. These tumours are not associated with CAR	
	activation.	

Inhibition of apoptosis and other associative events in the CAR associated tumour model have not been investigated (altered epigenetic changes, gap junctional intercellular communication and oxidative stress) however this is not considered to be a critical knowledge gap considering the other information available.

However, in conclusion, whilst this mode of action is considered to provide a plausible explanation for the slightly increased incidence of liver tumours seen in some groups of penflufen treated animals, a definitive conclusion is not possible on the basis of the available evidence.

Other tumours

In addition to the liver tumours, very small increased incidences of tumours in the ovary, haematopoietic system and brain were observed in rats administered penflufen. In contrast, only liver tumour incidence was increased in mice.

The histiocytic sarcomas, which were all considered to have originated in the haematopoietic system, occurred in males only. The incidences of this tumour type showed a slight dose-response and exceeded the historical control range. Treatment-related findings in the bone marrow, spleen, thymus and lymph nodes were not detected in any of the repeat dose studies in rats including the 2 year carcinogenicity study. Therefore there is no evidence to support a mode of action involving chronic injury in the haematopoietic system, and there is no evidence to support any alternative MOA. It is possible that these were incidental findings, but it's also plausible that they could indicate a very weak carcinogenic response to penflufen administration. Given that the aetiology of the tumours is unknown, their relevance to humans cannot be dismissed. The ovarian tubulostromal tumours were benign and only increased in the top dose group animals, where they marginally exceeded the historical control incidence. They were not accompanied by convincing evidence of a treatment-related increase in pre-neoplastic lesions in the ovary, so evidence for causality for the development of tubulostromal tumours is weak. As for the histiocytic sarcoma, the low incidence and lack of evidence for causality suggests these findings in the ovary were incidental, however a weak treatment-related effect cannot be excluded.

In males there was also a slight increase in malignant astrocytoma. This was most likely an incidental finding as it only exceeded historical control incidence by one animal, there were no pre-

neoplastic lesions in the brain and the metabolism studies had shown that the brain had a relatively low level of exposure to penflufen compared to other tissues.

4.8.5 Comparison with criteria

As there is no evidence of penflufen carcinogenicity in humans, a category 1A classification would be inappropriate. Equally, as increased tumour incidences were seen in rats and mice that cannot be dismissed completely as being either incidental or of no relevance to humans, a position of no classification is not possible.

Given that increased rates of tumours were seen in both penflufen-treated rats and mice, a Category 1B classification could be considered. However, the following evidence indicates that this may not be appropriate:

- Penflufen is non-genotoxic;
- The increased tumour frequencies were slight, only just outside control ranges and they could have arisen by chance;
- A clear mechanistic basis for penflufen carcinogenicity is lacking (the possibility that a mode of action involving CAR activation was responsible for the slight increases in liver cancer has not been established unequivocally);
- The increased frequencies of non-hepatic tumours were only evident in rats;
- Some of the increases were of benign tumours only.

If penflufen did produce a biologically significant tumour response in rats and mice, this was very weak. A case could be made for no classification, on the basis of a lack of relevance to humans, However, as discussed above, relevance to humans cannot be dismissed for all the tumour types and the small increases above background levels make it difficult to conclude that they were incidental. Under these circumstances, the data appear to match the criteria for a Category 2 classification best.

There are no grounds to draw attention to a particular route of exposure on the label.

4.8.6 Conclusions on classification and labelling

Carc 2; H351 – Suspected of causing cancer

4.9 **Toxicity for reproduction**

Effects on fertility 4.9.1

The effects of penflufen on reproductive performance and fertility have been investigated in a GLP and guideline-compliant multi-generation study in rats.

Table 24:Summary table of relevant reproductive toxicity studies – FertilityNote: The LOAEL values are given for information only. They have been taken directly from documentation connected to the EFSA peer review of penflufen without further critical assessment.

Method	Dose levels	Observations and remarks
		(effects of major toxicological significance)
Rat: Wistar 30/sex/dose 2-generation reproductive study. Dietary administration. DAR B 6.6.1 Unpublished Study (ref). (2009) Penflufen purity 95.6% OECD 416 GLP: Yes	0, 200, 1000, 4000 ppm corresponding to 0, 12/15, 58/71, 252/293 mg/kg bw/day in m/f (based on lowest estimated dose levels from F0 and F1 parental animals)	Parental findings 200 ppm (12/15 mg/kg bw/day) No adverse findings 1000 ppm (58/71 mg/kg bw/day) F0 males: ↑ rel liver weight (7%) 4000 ppm (252/293 mg/kg bw/day) F0 females: ↑ bodyweight (9%) F0 females: ↑ bodyweight (9%) F0 females: ↑ bodyweight (9%) F0 females: ↑ bodyweight (13%/21%) F0 females: ↑ bodyweight (14%/20%) F0 males: ↑ bodycellular hypertrophy (minimal) in 9/30 f versus 0 in controls F1 males: ↑ bepatocellular hypertrophy (minimal) in 11/30 m versus 0 in controls F1 females: ↑ bepatocellular hypertrophy (minimal) in 3/30 f versus 0 in controls F1 males: ↑ bodyweight (8%) F1 males: ↓ bodyweight (8%) F1 males: ↑ bepatocellular hypertrophy (minimal) in 11/30 m versus 0 in controls F1 males: ↑ bepatocellular hypertrophy (minimal) in 11/30 m versus 0 in controls F1 males: ↑ bepatocellular hypertrophy (minimal) in 11/30 m versus 0 in controls Reproductive findings 200 ppm (12/15 mg/kg bw/day) No adverse findings 1000 ppm (58/71 mg/kg bw/day) No adverse findings 4000 ppm (252/293 mg/kg bw/day) F1:13% ↓ mean number of pups delivered F2:11% ↓ mean number of pups delivered

Dose (ppm)	0	200	1000	4000	Historical control range (for Wistar rats within 5 years of current study)
Number of litters F1	27	26	28	29	
Number of litters F2	27	26	30	30	
Mean litter size day 0	10.6	10.1	10.6	9.2	17 Studies
F1					9.8 - 12.8
Mean litter size day 0 F2	10.4	10.1	10.7	9.3	8 Studies 10.4 – 10.9
Birth index ¹ (%) F1	94.2	92.4	94.1	90.1	
Birth index ¹ (%) F2	96.7	91.7	95.7	91.9	
Live birth index (%) F1	99.7	99.7	99.7	98.4	
Live birth index (%) F2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Viability index (%) F1	96.7	99.4	98.5	96.9	
Viability index (%) F2	98.7	98.7	100.0	100.0	
Lactation index (%) F1	95.8	100.0	99.1	100.0	
Lactation index (%) F2	99.5	99.2	99.6	99.2	
¹ No. of implantation site <u>Offspring findings</u> 200 ppm (12/15 mg/k No adverse findings 1000 ppm (58/71 mg/ No adverse findings 4000 ppm (252/293 m F1 and F2: ↓abs/rel sp Time to vaginal openi LOAEL for parents, of 4000 ppm (252/293 m	xg bw/da /kg bw/d ng/kg bw % ↓ in b oleen wei ng ↑12% ffspring a	y) ay) //day) ody weig ght 12%/ /8% in F <i>und repro</i>	ht 14% 1/F2 pup	S	

4.9.1.1 Non-human information

In a guideline-compliant GLP study, rats were administered penflufen in the diet starting with the F_0 generation at about 8-9 weeks old and continuing until F_2 generation animals reached puberty.

There were no treatment related deaths or clinical signs of toxicity. Signs of general toxicity in the F_0 and F_1 parents at 4000 ppm, the highest dose level tested, included reduced bodyweight gain of ca, 9% in F0 females and 8% in F1 males (marginal reduction in food consumption during premating (6%) and lactation(7%)), along with increased liver weights and liver hypertrophy. At this dose, the mean litter size in both the F1 (9.2) and F2 (9.3) generations was slightly reduced compared to the concurrent control (10.6 and 10.4 in F1 and F2 respectively). This was only marginally below the laboratory historical control range (mean litter size of 9.8 - 12.8 in the F1 generation and 10.4-10.9 in the F2 generation, from 17 studies conducted within 5 years of the current study) and there were no effects on other parameters. There were no treatment-related malformations or clinical signs of toxicity in the offspring. Treatment related findings were isolated to the top dose group in both generations and included a reduction in pup bodyweight (10%) during lactation and a reduction in spleen weight (12% abs and 14% rel). Preputial separation and vaginal opening were slightly delayed in both the F_1 and F_2 generations in the top dose group. These differences are considered to be secondary to the lower bodyweights.

4.9.1.2 Human information

No relevant data available.

4.9.2 Developmental toxicity

The developmental toxicity of penflufen has been investigated in rats and rabbits.

Table 25: Summary table of relevant reproductive toxicity studies – Development

Note: The LOAEL values are given for information only. They have been taken directly from documentation connected to the EFSA peer review without further critical assessment.

Method	Dose levels	Observations and remarks		
		(effects of major toxicological significance)		
Rat (Sprague- Dawley) 23/dose Developmental Oral gavage from GD 6 - 20 DAR B.6.6.2 Unpublished Study (ref). (2008) Penflufen purity 95.6% Vehicle methyl cellulose OECD 414 GLP: Yes	0, 30, 100, 300 mg/kg bw/day	Maternal findings: 300 mg/kg bw/day 13% ↓ bw gain ↓ food consumption ↑ liver weight No adverse findings in any other dose group Developmental findings: No developmental toxicity observed up to the highest dose tested. LOAEL 300 mg/kg/day for maternal toxicity. No LOAEL determined for developmental toxicity.		
Rabbit (New Zealand White) 23/dose Developmental Oral gavage from GD 6 – 28 DAR B.6.6.3 Unpublished Study (ref). (2008) Penflufen purity 95.6% Vehicle methylcellulose OECD 414 GLP: Yes	0, 30, 100, 600 mg/kg bw/day	Maternal findings: 600 mg/kg bw/day One animal killed on GD 25 due to severe loss of body weight. ↓ bw gain (26%) ↓ food consumption No adverse findings in any other dose group Developmental findings: Please refer to the table below		

Parameter	Penflufen (mg/kg/day)					
rarameter	0	30 100 600				
Number pregnant	22	23	23	19		
females Post- implantation	10.0	5.0	15.8	11.5		
loss (%) Total number of early resorptions (number per dam)	7 (0.3)	3 (0.1)	23 (1.1)	7 (0.4)		
Total number of dead fetuses (% per litter)	12 (5.3%)	7 (3.1%)	12 (4.9 %)	16 (8.0%)		
Total no. of fetuses examined	191	218	187	167		
No. of malformed fetuses (litters)	3 (3)	7 (5)	5 (5)	2 (2)		
Malformations	2 fetuses with various malformations of the ribs and vertebrae 1 fetus with multiple malformations; forelimb amelia, diaphragmatic hernia, absent forelimb bones	 fetus with multiple malformations; gastroschisis, absent kidneys and skeletal (ribs, vertebrae, sternebrae, limbs) fetuses with various skeletal malformations of the ribs and/or vertebrae and/or sternebrae fetus with multiple malformations; gastroschisis, anasarca, short snout, malrotated forepaw and skeletal (stern brae). fetus with absent right atrioventricular valve fetus with diaphragmatic hernia 	1 fetus with multiple malformations; micrognathia, cleft palate, short trunk, bent tail, malpositioned digits on forepaws and skeletal (small mandible, split/bent palatine/clavicle) 1 fetus with cardiovascular (small left atrium, enlarged right atrium, dilated ascending aorta, enlarged right ventricle, ventricular septum defect in median region, small left ventricle) and skeletal (sternebrae) malformations 1 fetus with hydropericardium 2 fetuses with skeletal (rib and vertebrae) malformations	1 fetus with multiple cardiovascular (dilated aortic arch and ascending aorta. Pulmonary trunk atresia. Small right ventricle, enlarged left ventricle) malformations 1 fetus with omphalocele		
LOAEL 600 mg/ LOAEL not dete						

4.9.2.1 Non-human information

Rats

There were no maternal deaths or clinical signs of toxicity

There was no evidence of developmental toxicity in the rat up to the highest dose tested.

Rabbits

One female of the top dose was killed for human reasons on GD25 due to significant loss of body weight between GD 17 and 25. In surviving dams there were no clinical signs of toxicity but there was a reduction in mean maternal body weight between GD 6 and 8 compared to a maternal weight gain in controls. Overall, mean maternal bodyweight gain was reduced by 26% throughout the treatment period compared to controls. Food consumption was reduced by 18-27% on GD 6-22 but was comparable with controls thereafter.

There was an increase in early resorptions in the mid dose group, but as this was not observed in the top-dose group and there is no dose response it is not considered to be a treatment related finding. An increase in dead fetuses (which exceeded historical controls) was noted in the top dose group. However, this was largely attributable to a single female with 6 dead fetuses and considered to be incidental.

Malformations were reported in 3,7, 5 and 2 fetuses in the 0, 30, 100 and 600 mg/kg bw/day dose groups respectively. The findings were inconsistent, with a number of fetuses having multiple malformations with no relation to dose. Two fetuses from different litters in the low dose group were found to have gastroschisis (fissure of the abdominal wall), which exceeded the laboratory historical control range (HCD; 1 incidence from 10 studies conducted within 7 years of the current study). However, this was not seen in the mid or high dose groups in the current study and the affected fetuses had multiple malformations. The one incidence of omphalocele (a malformation of the abdominal wall at the umbilicus) in the high dose group also exceed the HCD (0 incidence from the same range). However, it is noted that this has been seen in 1 fetus from the low dose group and 2 fetuses from the mid-dose group in another comparable study (conducted by the same laboratory in 2003). The other findings were within the HCD of the laboratory. Overall, there is a lack of consistency between the findings observed in the different groups and these are therefore considered to be incidental; particularly as there was no corresponding increase in variations or in post implantation loss.

4.9.2.2 Human information

No relevant data available.

4.9.3 Other relevant information

No relevant data available.

4.9.4 Summary and discussion of reproductive toxicity

The reproductive toxicity of penflufen has been investigated in a guideline multi-generation study in the rat and in guideline developmental toxicity studies in rats and rabbits. The highest doses in each study were sufficient to induce some maternal toxicity. In the multi-generation study there was no evidence that penflufen had a specific effect on fertility, sexual function or reproduction. In the high-dose group, slight reductions in the mean litter size in both generations and a 10% reduction in pup bodyweight in both sexes (accompanied by delays in vaginal opening that are considered to be secondary to the lower pup bodyweights) were likely to be secondary effects of the maternal toxicity (as indicated by reductions in body-weight gain and liver effects).

Penflufen did not result in any adverse effects on developmental toxicity in the rat. In rabbits, an increase in dead fetuses in the high-dose group (600 mg/kg/d) occurred together with maternal toxicity (reductions in body-weight gain, sacrifice of one female on humane grounds). A single incidence of omphalocele in the high-dose group was considered to be incidental. In conclusion, there was no evidence that penflufen had a specific effect on development.

4.9.5 Comparison with criteria

Category 1A (known human reproductive toxicant) is not appropriate as *there is no human evidence establishing a causal relationship* between exposure to penflufen and an adverse effect on fertility or development. Likewise, Category 1B is not appropriate as *there is no clear evidence* of an adverse effect on fertility or development in experimental animals.

Category 2 (suspected human reproductive toxicant) is also not appropriate because *there is no evidence of an adverse effect on fertility or development in experimental animals*. Slight reductions in the mean litter size and reductions in pup bodyweight were likely to be secondary effects of the maternal toxicity and are not considered to support classification. There were no adverse effects on development in the rat or rabbit. Therefore, it is proposed that the available data do not meet the criteria for classification.

4.9.6 Conclusions on classification and labelling

Not classified: Conclusive but not sufficient for classification

4.11 Aspiration Hazard

Not applicable as the substance is a solid.

4.12 Other Effects

4.12.1 Non-human information

4.12.1.1 Neurotoxicity

The neurotoxicity of penflufen has been investigated in rats in an acute neurotoxicity study (summarised in section 4.2) and in a 90 day repeat-dose study, and a 90-day repeat dose neurotoxicity study (summarised in section 4.7). The studies are reliable, GLP and guideline compliant.

Acute neurotoxicity

It is concluded that there was no evidence of specific irreversible neurotoxicity in rats up to a maximum single oral dose of 2000 mg/kg bw.

Repeat dose neurotoxicity

There was no evidence of neurotoxicity in rats up to a maximum dose of 516/609 mg/kg bw/day in males/females. In the 90 day rat study up to a maximum dose of 949/1009 mg/kg bw/day in males/females (Steiblen 2006a) a neurotoxicity assessment was also conducted. There was no evidence of neurotoxicity in this study either.

4.12.1.2 Immunotoxicity

The immunotoxicity of penflufen has been investigated in rats in a GLP and guideline-compliant 29/30 day immunotoxicity study (summarised in section 4.7).

Spleen and thymus weights and the number of spleen cells per organ were not affected by treatment. There were no dose-related differences in the spleen cell immune response to an intravenous injection of sheep erythrocytes for a plaque forming assay. In conclusion there was no evidence of immunotoxicity in rats up to a maximum dose of 756/960 mg/kg bw/day in males/females.

4.12.1.3 Specific investigations: other studies

No data available.

4.12.1.4 Human information

No data available.

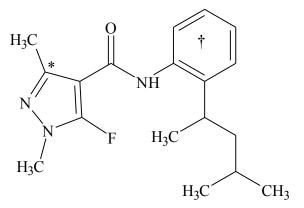
5 ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARD ASSESSMENT

Penflufen (referred to in test reports as BYF 14182) is an alkylamide fungicide initially intended for use as a potato tuber seed treatment for the control of 'black scurf'. Available environmental fate and hazard studies have been considered under EU Directive 91/414/EEC and summarised in the Draft Assessment Report, 2011 and subsequent DAR Addenda. The agreed endpoints from the peer review of penflufen under Directive 91/414/EEC are also included in the 2012 EFSA Conclusion (EFSA Journal 2012;10(8):2860)

Penflufen is currently under review as a biocide active substance and relevant information is also summarised in the Draft Competent Authority Report (dCAR 2016).

The key information pertinent to determining a classification is presented below. All radiolabelled studies used ¹⁴C-penflufen with a purity of >99% as either (or both) [phenyl-UL-¹³C₆/¹⁴C] or [pyrazole-3-¹⁴C] labels as shown in Figure 1.

Figure 1: Structure of penflufen indicating positions of the ¹⁴C labels.



Positions of radiolabel:

- † [phenyl-UL-¹⁴C] penflufen
- * [pyrazole-3-¹⁴C] penflufen

The measured water solubility of penflufen in distilled water at 20 °C is 12.4 mg/l at pH 6.5. With adjusted pH the water solubility was: 11.0 mg/l at pH4, 10.9 mg/L at pH 7 and 11.2 mg/l at pH 9.

Penflufen does not have any dissociation constants in the range of 1 < pKa < 12. All available data is based on penflufen as an isomer mixture.

Where available information on degradation products is included – full details of degradant names and structures are presented in Annex I.

5.1 Degradation

A summary of available valid information on the fate of penflufen is presented in Table 26 below.

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Aquatic hydrolysis OECD Guideline 111, GLP	Stable at pH 4,7 and 9 at 50 °C	Valid	DAR B.8.4.1 Unpublished Study (ref). (2008)
Aquatic photolysis EPA (Subdivision N, 161-2) and EU Council Directive 91/414/EEC, section 2, sub section 2.9.2, GLP	$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$	Valid	DAR B.8.4.2 Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)
Aquatic photolysis in natural water (River Rhine) EPA (Subdivision N, 161-2) and EU Council Directive 91/414/EEC, section 2, sub section 2.9.2, GLP	$DT_{50} = 26.2$ to 33.1 days at 38.03°N (Athens, Greece) in June sunlight. $DT_{50} = 32.7$ to 41.4 days at 51.3°N (London, UK) in July sunlight.	Valid	DAR B.8.4.2 Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)
UBA (Germany) guideline on Phototransformation and ECETOC polychromatic light source guideline, GLP	Quantum Yield: 0.0003737 DT ₅₀ = 210 to 293 days at 50°N (Germany) in spring/summer sunlight using GC-SOLAR model. DT ₅₀ = 210 to 270 days at 50°N (Germany) in spring/summer sunlight using Frank & Klöpffer model.	Valid	DAR B.8.4.2 Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)
Water/sediment simulation OECD Guideline 308, GLP	Dissipation DT ₅₀ whole system: 301 to 333 days Mineralisation: 0.8 to 10.7% AR at 120 days	Valid Aerobic system	DAR B.8.4.4 Unpublished Study (ref). (2008)
Water/sediment kinetic evaluation, FOCUS Working Group	Dissipation DT ₅₀ whole system geometric mean: 221 days	Calculation to single first order kinetics based on data from Sneikus (2008)	DAR B.8.4.4 Unpublished Study (ref). (2008)

 Table 26:
 Summary of relevant information on degradation

5.1.1 Stability

Aqueous hydrolysis

An aqueous hydrolysis study (Koehn, 2008) is available following GLP and OECD Test Guideline 111. The study used phenyl-UL- ${}^{13}C_{6}/{}^{14}C$ radio labelled penflufen (1.0 mg a.s./l). Test solutions were incubated at 50 °C in at pH 4, 7 and 9 the dark for 7 days. No significant degradation was observed and analysis showed \geq 97.5% radioactivity as penflufen at study termination. On this basis, penflufen is considered hydrolytically stable.

Aqueous photolysis

Study 1

An aqueous photolysis study is available following GLP, US EPA Guideline Subdivision N, Series 161-2, EU Council Directive 91/414/EEC, section 2, sub section 2.9.2 and SETAC Procedures for assessing the environmental fates and ecotoxicity of pesticides. The study used [phenyl-UL- ${}^{13}C_{6}/{}^{14}C$] and [pyrazole-3- ${}^{14}C$] radio labelled penflufen (1.0 mg a.s./l). Test solutions were incubated at pH 7 for 137.5 experimental hours at 25 °C ± 1°C under constant irradiation (wavelengths below 290 nm filtered out). Radiochemical balances were 100.2 to 106.5% AR.

A number of degradants were observed at low levels comprising a total of 22.2% AR. The maximum an individual degradant was observed was 4.8% AR (not identified). Mineralisation was low accounting for 1.1% AR at study termination.

Penflufen DT_{50} values at various latitudes were determined using single first order (SFO) kinetics and a single compartment model using MatLab with KinGUI. The study DT_{50} based on the mean of both labels was 17.3 experimental days. This equates to a DT_{50} at 38.03°N (Athens, Greece) of 130.6 days in June and at 51.3°N (London, UK) of 163.6 days in July.

Study 2

A second aqueous photolysis study is available following GLP, US EPA Guideline Subdivision N, Series 161-2, EU Council Directive 91/414/EEC, section 2, sub section 2.9.2 and SETAC Procedures for assessing the environmental fates and ecotoxicity of pesticides. The study used sterile natural river water from the Rhine.

Two radio labels (phenyl-UL-¹³C₆/¹⁴C] and [pyrazole-3-¹⁴C]) were used with ¹⁴C-phenyl radio labelled penflufen at 0.7 mg a.s./l. Test solutions were incubated for 70 experimental hours at 25 °C \pm 1 °C under constant irradiation (wavelengths below 290 nm filtered out). The pH ranged from 8 to 8.98 for the pyrazole label and 7.98 to 9.14 for the phenyl label. Radiochemical balances were 96.6 to 103.7% AR and 105 to 106.1 % AR for the phenyl and pyrazole labels respectively.

Up to 15 degradants were observed at low levels with none $\geq 10\%$ AR. Two degradants were observed with the pyrazole radio label: pyrazole-4-carboxamide penflufen and fluoro acid penflufen. Mineralisation was low accounting for 0.7% AR for the phenyl label and 0% AR for the pyrazole label at study termination.

Penflufen DT_{50} values at various latitudes were determined using single first order (SFO) kinetics and a single compartment model using MatLab with KinGUI. Considering the 2 labels, the DT_{50} at 38.03°N (Athens, Greece) was 26.2 to 33.1 days in June and at 51.3°N (London, UK), 32.7 to 41.4 days in July.

Study 3

A third investigation into photodegradation is available and considered to GLP. The quantum yield of penflufen was calculated using ECETOC methods to be 0.0003737. DT₅₀ values were then estimated using 2 models:

- $DT_{50} = 210$ to 293 days at 50°N (Germany) in spring/summer sunlight using GC-SOLAR model.
- DT₅₀ = 210 to 270 days at 50°N (Germany) in spring/summer sunlight using Frank & Klöpffer model.

5.1.2 Biodegradation

5.1.2.1 Biodegradation estimation

Not available.

5.1.2.2 Screening tests

Not available.

5.1.2.3 Simulation tests

A degradation in aerobic water-sediment system study is available following OECD Test Guideline 308 and GLP. The study used ¹⁴C-penflufen with two labels: phenyl-UL-¹⁴C] and [pyrazole-3-¹⁴C]. Two German aerobic systems were used: 'Anglerweiher' and 'Hoenniger Weiher'. The water and sediment test conditions with a ratio of 3:1 are included in table 27 below. The systems were treated with approximately 52 μ g penflufen per litre of water via the water surface.

Criteria	Anglerweiher lake, Germany	Hoenniger Weiher pond, Germany	
Water properties	pH: 7.4 Dissolved organic carbon: <2 ppm Oxygen: 106 % saturation Redox potential: 246 mV	pH: 6.8 Dissolved organic carbon: <2 ppm Oxygen: 106 % saturation Redox potential: 235 mV	
Sediment properties	97% sand; 2% silt; 1% clay Organic carbon 0.3% pH: 7.0 Redox potential: unknown	57% sand; 38% silt; 5% clay Organic carbon 3.0% pH: 5.2 Redox potential: unknown	

Table 27:	Water-sediment system test conditions
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The study was conducted at 20 °C, in the dark under aerobic conditions for up to 120 days.

Radioactivity was determined by Liquid Scintillation Counting (LSC) and subsequent analysis by High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC) was undertaken. Total mean recoveries for both systems were >96% Applied Radioactivity (AR) for both labels at each sampling point.

Penflufen dissipated from the water phase to the sediment phase in both systems via partitioning with limited degradation in both phases.

Anglerweiher: In water penflufen decreased from initial 85.5/83.3% AR to 36.6/43.5% AR on day 120. In sediment penflufen increased from initial 8.9/7.4% AR to peak at 30.1% AR on day 7 for label 1 and 30.7% AR on day 30 for label 2.

Hoenniger Weiher: In water penflufen decreased from initial 90.6/92.3% AR to 10.6/6.7% AR on day 120. In sediment penflufen increased from initial 7.4/6.1% AR to peak at 76.7% AR and 77.8% AR on day 33 for both labels.

The degradation product penflufen-3-hydroxy-butyl (M01) was observed in both water and sediment. It reached a maximum in the Anglerweiher phenyl label system at day 120 of 10.7% AR in waters and 2.1% AR in sediment. It was considered that the degradant formed in sediment and subsequently partitioned into the water phase.

Whole system study dissipation DT_{50} values for both labels were as follows: $DT_{50 \text{ whole system}}$: 333 days for Anglerweiher system following FOMC¹ kinetics $DT_{50 \text{ whole system}}$: 301 days for Hoenniger Weiher system following DFOP² kinetics

Minimal mineralisation was observed with a maximum of 3.2% AR in Anglerweiher system and 1.1% AR in Hoenniger Weiher system after 120 days.

Additional statistical analysis (Sur, 2008) considered further kinetic assessment using the data from Sneikus, 2008. It considered a multi-compartment model for degradation following the FOCUS Work Group on degradation kinetics. Using Single First Order kinetics, DT_{50 whole system} values were as follows:

 $DT_{50 \text{ whole system}}$: 170 to 183 days for Anglerweiher system $DT_{50 \text{ whole system}}$: 259 to 295 days for Hoenniger Weiher system

The geometric mean value was 221 days.

5.1.2.4 Summary and discussion of degradation

Penflufen is considered hydrolytically stable.

Penflufen is susceptible to limited photodegradation. The experimental DT_{50} in sterile pure water was 130.9 days at 38.03°N in June sunlight and 163.6 days at 51.303°N in July sunlight. The actual degree of photodegradation in the aquatic environment depends on local conditions and seasons. Therefore, in reality the potential for aquatic photolysis is likely to be limited.

A ready biodegradation study is not available.

In an aerobic water-sediment study penflufen was observed to dissipate from the water column to sediment in two systems where adsorption and formation of 3-penfulyfen-3-hydroxy-butyl occurred before the latter partitioned between the water and sediment phases. Estimated study whole system DT_{50} values for penflufen were between 301 and 333 days. Minimal mineralisation was observed. Subsequent kinetic assessment derived a single first order geometric mean whole system DT_{50} of 221 days.

Overall, the degradation information does not provide sufficient data to show penflufen is ultimately degraded within 28 days (equivalent to a half-life < 16 days) or transformed to non classifiable products. Consequently, penflufen is considered not rapidly degradable for the purpose of classification and labelling.

5.2 Environmental distribution

5.2.1 Adsorption/Desorption

Following OECD Test Guideline 106 and GLP, a soil adsorption study is available investigating the adsorption of penflufen. The study used 5 soils from the UK and Germany and ¹⁴C-penflufen.

¹ First Order Multi Compartment

² Double First Order Parallel

Soil pH in water ranged from 5.6 to 6.5 and organic carbon from 1.2 to 2.3%. Adsorption was not considered to be pH dependant although correlation between increasing organic carbon and adsorption was observed as expected. The Kf_{oc} values ranged between 209.6 and 409.5 ml/g. This equates to $\log Kf_{oc}$ values between 2.32 and 2.61.

5.2.2 Volatilisation

Experimental data indicate the vapour pressure for penflufen is low at 4.1 x 10^{-7} Pa at 20 °C following OECD Test Guideline 104. The Henry's Law Constant (Bogdoll and Eyrich, 2009) was calculated at 20 °C and pH 7 to be 1.19 x 10^{-5} Pa m³ mol⁻¹ indicating penflufen is unlikely to partition from the water phase to air.

5.2.3 Distribution modelling

Not relevant for classification and labelling.

5.3 Aquatic Bioaccumulation

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Partition coefficient <i>n</i> - octanol/water (HPLC method)	Log K _{ow} 3.3 at pH 4, 20°C Log K _{ow} 3.3 at pH 7, 20°C Log K _{ow} 3.3 at pH 10, 20°C	Valid	Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)
Experimental aquatic BCF OECD Guideline 305, GLP	Penflufen steady state whole fish BCF: 16 l/kg wet weight Penflufen steady state whole fish BCF: 12 l/kg wet weight (normalised for 6% lipid content) Kinetic whole fish BCF: 100 to 103 l/kg based on Total Radioactivity Residues Depuration half-life DT ₅₀ whole fish: 0.439 to 0.527 days	Flow through, 28 days exposure, 14 days depuration Valid	DAR B.9.2.1.2 Unpublished Study (ref). (2009)

5.3.1 Aquatic bioaccumulation

5.3.1.1 Bioaccumulation estimation

No data available.

5.3.1.2 Measured bioaccumulation data

An experimental aquatic BCF study for penflufen (purity >99%) is available following GLP and OECD Guideline 305 (2009). The study used ¹⁴C-penflufen (Phenyl-UL-¹³C₆/¹⁴C), a flow-through system with Bluegill Sunfish (*Lepomis macrochirus*) and two exposure concentrations; 0.45 and 4.5 μ g/l with the aid of solvent dimethylformamide (DMF) at 0.1 ml/l. The exposure period ran for 28 days followed by a 14 day depuration period. Analysis of Total Radioactive Residues (TRR) was

by HPLC (High Performance Liquid Chromatography) with radio detection. Analysis of parent and metabolites was by HPLC co-chromatography.

Penflufen was reached steady state by day 3 and was extensively metabolised. A rapid depuration half-life of 0.439 to 0.527 days was calculated and after 14 days 98% of the radioactivity was depurated.

The whole fish steady state BCF for penflufen was 16 l/kg wet weight. Lipid analysis was conducted on days 28 and 42. The penflufen lipid normalised (6% lipid content) whole fish steady state BCF was 12 l/kg wet weight.

OriginTM non-linear kinetic computer modelling was employed to determine kinetic BCFs based on TRR. Whole fish kinetic BCFs based on Total Radioactive Residues (TRR) were 100 to 103 l/kg.

5.3.2 Summary and discussion of aquatic bioaccumulation

The experimental log K_{ow} for penflufen is 3.3 at pH 4, 7 and 10 and 20 °C.

Experimental kinetic whole fish BCFs are 100 to 103 l/kg based on TRR. The experimental whole fish steady state BCF for penflufen is 16 l/kg wet weight. The penflufen lipid normalised (6% lipid content) whole fish steady state BCF was 12 l/kg wet weight.

Overall, the logK_{ow} is considered to be below the CLP logK_{ow} trigger value of \geq 4 and the whole fish BCF for parent penflufen (or TRR) is below the CLP trigger of \geq 500 intended to identify substances with a potential to bioaccumulate.

5.4 Aquatic toxicity

A summary of available valid information on the aquatic toxicity of penflufen is presented in Table 29. A summary of valid information for degradants is also included in Annex II, Table 1.

Studies were reviewed under EU Directive 91/414/EEC and Regulation (EC) No. 528/2012 and considered valid. Further details are presented for studies conducted on the active substance penflufen but not for its degradants as these are less toxic and not considered further for classification of penflufen.

Guideline / GLP			Exp	osure]	Results	
status	Species	Endpoint	Design	Duration	Endpoint	Toxicity (mg a.s./l)	Reference
Acute toxicity to fish OECD Guideline 203, GLP,	Rainbow Trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss)	Mortality	Static	96 hours	LC ₅₀	0.31 (mm)	DAR B.9.2.1.1
purity: 95.6%							Unpublished Study (ref). 2009a
Acute toxicity to fish OECD Guideline	Bluegill Sunfish	Mortality	Static	96 hours	LC ₅₀	0.45 (mm)	DAR B.9.2.1.1
203, GLP, purity: 95.6%	(Lepomis macrochirus)						Unpublished Study (ref). 2009b
Acute toxicity to fish OECD Guideline	Fathead Minnow	Mortality	Static	96 hours	LC ₅₀	0.116 (mm)	DAR B.9.2.1.1
203, GLP, purity: 95.6%	(Pimephales promelas)						Unpublished Study (ref). 2009
Acute toxicity to fish OECD Guideline	Common carp (<i>Cyprinus</i>	Mortality	Static	96 hours	LC ₅₀	0.103 (mm)	DAR B.9.2.1.1
203, GLP, purity: 95.6%	carpio)						Unpublished Study (ref). 2009
Acute toxicity to fish OECD Guideline	Sheepshead Minnow	Mortality	Static	96 hours	LC ₅₀	1.15 (mm)	DAR B.9.2.1.1
203, GLP, purity: 95.6%	(Cyprinodon variegatus)						Unpublished Study (ref). 2009c
Fish Early Life- Stage (FELS)	Fathead Minnow	Time to hatch, hatching	Flow- through	35 days	NOEC	0.0234 (mm) for length	DAR B.9.2.1.1
toxicity OECD Guideline 210, GLP, purity: 95.6%	(Pimephales promelas)	success, survival and growth (length, wet weight and dry weight)				0.0476 (mm) for survival, weight and morphological/ behavioural effects	Unpublished Study (ref). 2009
Daphnia sp Acute Immobilisation	Daphnia magna	Acute immobilisation	Static	48 hours	EC ₅₀	>4.66 (mm)	DAR B.9.2.1.3
OECD Guideline, 202 GLP, purity: 95.6%							Unpublished Study (ref). 2008

Table 29: Summary of relevant information on aquatic toxicity for penflufen (BYF 14182)

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Acute toxicity OECD Guideline, 202 GLP, purity: 95.6%	Crayfish (Procambarus clarkii)	Acute	Static	96 hours	EC ₅₀	>4.5 (mm)	DAR B.9.2.1.3 Unpublished Study (ref)., 2009a
Acute toxicity US EPA OPPTS 850.1025, GLP, purity:95.6%	Oyster (Crassostrea virginica)	Acute	Flow- through	96 hours	EC ₅₀	1.3 (mm)	DAR B.9.2.1.3 Unpublished Study (ref). 2009
Acute toxicity US EPA OPPTS 850.1035, GLP, purity: 95.6%	Mysid Shrimp (Americamysis bahia)	Acute	Flow- through	96 hours	LC ₅₀	2.5 (mm)	DAR B.9.2.1.3 Unpublished Study (ref). 2008
Daphnia magna Reproduction OECD Guideline 211, GLP, purity: 95.6%	Daphnia magna	Survival; reproduction; growth	Semi- static	21 days	NOEC	1.53 (mm)	DAR B.9.2.1.3 Unpublished Study (ref). 2009d
Freshwater Algal Growth Inhibition OECD Guideline 201, GLP, purity: 95.6%	Pseudo- kirchneriella subcapitata*	Cell multiplication inhibition	Static	72 hours	ErC ₅₀ NOErC	>5.1 (mm) 0.52 (mm)	DAR B.9.2.1.4 Unpublished Study (ref). 2007
<i>Lemna</i> sp. Growth Inhibition Test OECD Guideline 221, GLP, purity: 95.6%	Lemna gibba	Growth	Semi- static	7 days	ErC _{50(frond} number) ErC _{50(dry} weight) NOErC _{(frond} number) NOErC _{(dry} weight)	>4.7 (mm) >4.7 (mm) 2.4 (mm) ≥4.7 (mm)	DAR B.9.2.1.4 Unpublished Study (ref). 2009e

Notes:

mm refers to mean measured

*formerly Selenastrum capricornutum

Bold values indicate most sensitive acute and chronic endpoints

5.4.1 Fish

5.4.1.1 Short-term toxicity to fish

Five acute toxicity to fish studies using penflufen (purity 95.6%) are available following GLP and OECD Test Guideline 203.

Study 1 (Unpublished Study (ref)., 2009a)

Using Rainbow Trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*) the nominal exposure range was 0.063, 0.125, 0.25, 0.5 and 1.0 mg a.s./l. Exposure solutions were prepared with the aid of the solvent DMF at 0.1 ml/l and a solvent control was included. Study conditions were within the test guideline range and validation criteria were met. Analytical verification by Liquid Chromatography / Tandem Mass spectrometry (LC/MS/MS) were 88 to 104% of nominal with measured concentrations 0.066, 0.110, 0.22, 0.51 and 0.93 mg a.s./l. The study 96-h LC₅₀ was 0.31 mg a.s./l based on mean

measured with 95% confidence interval 0.22 to 0.51 mg a.s./l. The study 96-h NOEC was 0.11 mg a.s./l based on mean measured.

Study 2 (Unpublished Study (ref)., 2009b)

Using Bluegill Sunfish (*Leopmis macrochirus*) the nominal exposure range was 0.063, 0.125, 0.25, 0.5 and 1.0 mg a.s./l. Exposure solutions were prepared with the aid of the solvent DMF at 0.1 ml/l and a solvent control was included. Study conditions were within the test guideline range and validation criteria were met. Analytical verification by LC/MS/MS were 100 to 111% of nominal with measured concentrations 0.065, 0.129, 0.28, 0.51 and 1.0 mg a.s./l. The study 96-h LC₅₀ was 0.45 mg a.s./l based on mean measured with 95% confidence interval 0.28 to 1.0 mg a.s./l. The study 96-h NOEC was 0.285 mg a.s./l based on mean measured.

Study 3 (Unpublished Study (ref)., 2009)

Using Fathead Minnow (*Pimephales promelas*) the nominal exposure range was 0.063, 0.125, 0.25, 0.5 and 1.0 mg a.s./l. Exposure solutions were prepared with the aid of the solvent DMF at 0.1 ml/l and a solvent control was included. Study conditions were within the test guideline range and validation criteria were met. Analytical verification by LC/MS/MS were 85 to 92% of nominal with measured concentrations 0.055, 0.106, 0.22, 0.46 and 0.90 mg a.s./l. The study 96-h LC₅₀ was 0.116 mg a.s./l based on mean measured with 95% confidence interval 0.055 to 0.22 mg a.s./l. The study 96-h NOEC was 0.055 mg a.s./l based on mean measured.

Study 4 (Unpublished Study (ref)., 2009)

Using Common Carp (*Cyprinus carpio*) the nominal exposure range was 0.0478, 0.0956, 0.191, 0.382 and 0.765 mg a.s./l. Exposure solutions were prepared with the aid of the solvent DMF at 0.1 ml/l and a solvent control was included. Study conditions were within the test guideline range and validation criteria were met. Analytical verification by HPLC-UV were 98 to 128% of nominal with measured concentrations 0.061, 0.117, 0.196, 0.475 and 0.751 mg a.s./l. The study 96-h LC₅₀ was 0.103 mg a.s./l based on mean measured with 95% confidence interval 0.083 to 0.128 mg a.s./l. The study 96-h NOEC was 0.061 mg a.s./l based on mean measured.

Study 5 (Unpublished Study (ref)., 2009c)

Using Sheepshead Minnow (*Cyprinodon variegatus*) the nominal exposure range was 0.125, 0.25, 0.5, 1.0, 2.0 and 4.0 mg a.s./l. Exposure solutions were prepared with the aid of the solvent DMF at 0.1 ml/l and a solvent control was included. Study conditions were within the test guideline range and validation criteria were met. Analytical verification by HPLC-UV were 82 to 96% of nominal with measured concentrations 0.116, 0.21, 0.43, 0.82, 1.92 and 3.45 mg a.s./l. The study 96-h LC₅₀ was 1.15 mg a.s./l based on mean measured with 95% confidence interval 0.82 to 1.92 mg a.s./l. The study 96-h NOEC was 0.43 mg a.s./l based on mean measured.

5.4.1.2 Long-term toxicity to fish

A 35-day flow-through chronic toxicity to fish study (Unpublished Study (ref)., 2009) using penflufen following GLP and OECD Test Guideline 210 is available. The study used Fathead Minnow (*Pimephales promelas*) and the following endpoints: time to hatch, hatching success, survival and growth (length and dry weight). General observations were also recorded. Exposure solutions were prepared with the aid of the solvent DMF at 0.1 ml/l and a solvent control was included. Study conditions were within the test guideline range and validation criteria were met. The nominal exposure range was 6.25, 12.5, 25, 50 and 100 µg a.s./l. Results were based on mean

measured values: 6.21, 12.2, 23.4, 47.6 and 95.7 μ g a.s./l. Validity criteria were met and the test is considered reliable. Significant effects were determined by ANOVA followed by the Dunnet's multiple means comparison test and the William's test if appropriate. The most sensitive endpoint was fish growth (length) where the 35-d NOEC was determined to be 23.4 μ g a.s./l based on mean measured concentrations (equivalent to 0.0234 mg a.s./l).

The mean length at day 35 for solvent controls was 23.4 mm and when pooled with controls was 23.5 mm. The mean length at day 35 at treatment 47.6 μ g a.s./l was 23.0 mm. Whilst statistically significant resulting in a NOEC of 23.4 μ g a.s./l, this difference is minor and was noted in the pesticides risk assessment. The EFSA conclusion supported the NOEC of 23.4 μ g a.s./l. For the purpose of classification, the NOEC is considered to lie within the range 10 to 100 μ g a.s./l (equivalent to 0.01 to 0.1 mg/l).

5.4.2 Aquatic invertebrates

5.4.2.1 Short-term toxicity to aquatic invertebrates

Study 1(Unpublished Study (ref). 2008)

A static acute toxicity to *Daphnia magna* study using penflufen is available following GLP and OECD Test Guideline 202. The nominal exposure range was 0.31, 0.63, 1.25, 2.5 and 5.0 mg a.s./l reflecting the limit of solubility in test media. Exposure solutions were prepared with the aid of the solvent DMF at 0.1 ml/l and a solvent control was included. Results were based on mean measured values: 0.3, 0.61, 1.26, 2.33, and 4.66 mg a.s./l. Validity criteria were met and the test is considered reliable. Effects were observed at the highest exposure concentration with 40% immobilisation. The study 48-h LC₅₀ was >4.66 mg a.s./l based on mean measured. The study 48-h NOEC was 2.33 mg a.s./l based on mean measured.

Study 2 (Unpublished Study (ref). 2009a)

A static acute toxicity to freshwater crayfish study is available using penflufen and *Procambarus clarkii*. The study was run to GLP and followed an adapted version of OECD Test Guideline 202. The nominal exposure range was 0.31, 0.63, 1.25, 2.5 and 5.0 mg a.s./l. Exposure solutions were prepared with the aid of the solvent DMF at 0.1 ml/l and a solvent control was included. Results were based on mean measured values: 0.31, 0.64, 1.16, 2.3, and 4.5 mg a.s./l. Observations of sublethal effects and mortality were recorded. The study is considered valid and reliable. No mortality/ effects were seen at the highest test concentration and the study 96-h EC₅₀ was >4.5 mg a.s./l based on mean measured.

Study 3 (Unpublished Study (ref). 2009)

A flow-through acute toxicity to the marine Eastern Oyster (*Crassostrea virginica*) is available using penflufen. The study was run to GLP and followed US EPA OPPTS 850.1025. The nominal exposure range was 0.31, 0.63, 1.25, 2.5 and 5.0 mg a.s./l. Exposure solutions were prepared with the aid of the solvent DMF at 0.1 ml/l and a solvent control was included. Results were based on mean measured values: 0.23, 0.44, 0.9, 1.4, and 3.2 mg a.s./l. Mortality and shell deposition were recorded endpoints. The study is considered valid and reliable. Based on shell growth, the study 96-h EC_{50} was 1.3 mg a.s./l with 95% confidence interval 0.81 to 2.4 mg a.s./l based on mean measured. Statistically significant inhibition of shell growth was observed at all treatments except

0.44 mg/l where 11% inhibition was noted. This means the study 96-h NOEC was considered <0.23 mg a.s./l based on mean measured.

Study 4 (Unpublished Study (ref). 2008)

A flow-through acute toxicity to the marine Mysid *Americanmysis bahia* is available using penflufen. The study was run to GLP and followed US EPA OPPTS 850.1035. The nominal exposure range was 0.31, 0.63, 1.25, 2.5 and 5.0 mg a.s./l. Exposure solutions were prepared with the aid of the solvent DMF at 0.1 ml/l and a solvent control was included. Results were based on mean measured values: 0.45, 0.76, 1.4, 2.6 and 4.7 mg a.s./l. The study is considered valid and reliable. Based on mortality the 96-h LC_{50} was 2.5 mg a.s./l with 95% confidence interval 1.4 to 4.7 mg a.s./l based on mean measured. The study 96-h NOEC was 1.4 mg a.s./l based on mean measured.

5.4.2.2 Long-term toxicity to aquatic invertebrates

A semi-static chronic toxicity to *Daphnia magna* study using penflufen is available following GLP and OECD Test Guideline 211. The study assessed the following endpoints: survival, reproduction, length and weight. The nominal exposure range was 0.094, 0.19, 0.38, 0.75 and 1.5 mg a.s./l. Exposure solutions were prepared with the aid of the solvent DMF at 0.1 ml/l and a solvent control was included. Results were based on mean measured values: 0.10, 0.18, 0.37, 0.74 and 1.53 mg a.s./l. Validity criteria were met and the test is considered reliable. No significant effects were observed for any parameter. The study 21-d NOEC was 1.53 mg a.s./l based on mean measured reflecting the highest exposure concentration.

5.4.3 Algae and aquatic plants

Algae:

A static algal growth inhibition test using penflufen (purity 95.6%) and *Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata* is available following GLP and OECD Test Guideline 201 under static conditions. The nominal exposure range was 0.16, 0.31, 0.63, 1.25, 2.5 and

5.0 mg a.s./l. Exposure solutions were prepared with the aid of the solvent DMF at 0.1 ml/l and a solvent control was included. Results were based on mean measured values: 0.14, 0.28, 0.52, 0.99, 2.3 and 5.14 mg a.s./l. Validity criteria were met and the test is considered reliable. As 11% inhibition of growth was observed at the highest exposure concentration, the 72-h E_rC_{50} was >5.1 mg a.s./l based on mean measured concentrations. The 72-hour NOE_rC was 0.52 mg a.s./l based on mean measured concentrations.

Aquatic plants:

A semi-static 7-day toxicity to *Lemna gibba* study using penflufen is available following GLP and OECD Test Guideline 221. Exposure solutions were prepared with the aid of the solvent DMF (0.1ml/l) and a solvent control was included. The nominal exposure range was 0.32, 0.63, 1.25, 2.5 and 5.0 mg a.s./l. Results were based on mean measured values: 0.27, 0.54, 1.1, 2.4 and 4.7 mg a.s./l. Validity criteria were met and the test is considered reliable. The study endpoints were frond number, frond yield, biomass, growth rate and fry weight. Based on 10% inhibition was observed at the highest exposure concentration, the study 7-d E_rC_{50} (frond number) was >4.7 mg a.s./l based on mean measured. Similarly, 6.6% inhibition was observed at the highest exposure concentration for the growth rate (dry weight) endpoint, so the study 7-d E_rC_{50} (dry weight) was also >4.7 mg a.s./l based on mean measured. The lowest growth rate 7-d NOE_rC was based on frond number at 2.4 mg a.s./l based on mean measured.

5.4.4 Other aquatic organisms (including sediment)

No valid data.

5.5 Conclusions on classification and labelling for environmental hazards (sections 5.1 – 5.4)

For the purpose of classification, penflufen is considered not rapidly degradable.

The experimental logK_{ow} for penflufen is 3.3 at pH 4, 7 and 10 and 20 °C. Experimental kinetic whole fish BCFs are 100 to 103 l/kg based on TRR. The experimental whole fish steady state BCF for penflufen only is 16 l/kg wet weight. The penflufen lipid normalised (6% lipid content) whole fish steady state BCF was 12 l/kg wet weight. Overall, the logK_{ow} is considered to be below the CLP logK_{ow} trigger value of \geq 4 and the whole fish BCF for parent penflufen (or TRR) is below the CLP trigger of \geq 500 intended to identify substances with a potential to bioaccumulate.

Identified degradants are relatively less toxic than the parent substance (see Annex II) and are not considered further for classification of penflufen.

Aquatic acute toxicity data on penflufen are available for fish, invertebrates, algae and aquatic plants. Fish are the most acutely sensitive trophic group with Common Carp (*Cyprinus carpio*) marginally the most sensitive followed by Fathead Minnow (*Pimephales promelas*). The lowest acute value is a 96-hour LC_{50} is 0.103 mg a.s./l. On this basis penflufen should be classified as Aquatic Acute 1 with an M factor of 1.

Adequate chronic toxicity data on penflufen are available for fish, invertebrates, algae and aquatic plants. The lowest value is a 35-day NOEC for Fathead Minnow (*Pimephales promelas*) of 0.0234 mg a.s./l. Given this is in the range 0.01 to 0.1 mg/l and the substance is considered non-rapidly degradable, penflufen should be classified as Aquatic Chronic 1 with an M factor of 1.

5.6 Comparison with criteria for environmental hazards (sections 5.1 – 5.4)

Aquatic Acute 1; H400: Very toxic to aquatic life

Acute M factor = 1

Aquatic Chronic 1; H410: Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

Chronic M factor = 1

5.7 Hazardous to the ozone layer

5.7.1 Short summary and overall relevance of the provided information on ozone layer hazard

Not applicable as penflufen is not mentioned as a controlled substance in the Annexes to the Montréal Protocol. Furthermore, it is not expected to enter in contact with stratospheric ozone molecules given its physico-chemical parameters and molecular structure.

5.7.2 Comparison with the CLP criteria

Not applicable as penflufen is not mentioned as a controlled substance in the Annexes to the Montréal Protocol.

5.7.3 Conclusion on classification and labelling for hazardous to the ozone layer

Not classified – Conclusive but not sufficient for classification

6 OTHER INFORMATION

No other relevant information.

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A full reference list for the unpublished studies is provided as a confidential Annex (Annex III) to the CLH report.

8. ANNEXES

ANNEX I – Parent and degradant information: code, chemical name and structure.

ANNEX II - Aquatic toxicity data for penflufen degradants.

ANNEX III - CONFIDENTIAL - Full References

	Report name, Structure IUPAC name CAS name, [CAS number]	Molecular formula molar mass Other names / codes
a.s.	Penflufen (parent substance)	
		C ₁₈ H ₂₄ F N ₃ O
		317.41 g/mole
	H_3C F H_3C H_3	
	N-[2-(1,3-dimethylbutyl)phenyl]-5-fluoro-1,3-dimethyl- 1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide (IUPAC)	AE 1698405 BYF 14182
	1 <i>H</i> -Pyrazole-4-carboxamide, N-[2-(1,3- dimethylbutyl)phenyl]-5-fluoro-1,3-dimethyl- (CAS)	511 11102
	CAS-No.: 494793-67-8	
M01 Soil and aquatic degradant	BYF 14182-3-hydroxy-butyl	
	н₃с о	$C_{18}H_{24}FN_3O_2$
	H_{3C} H	333.41 g/mol
	5-fluoro-N-[2-(3-hydroxy-1,3-dimethylbutyl)phenyl]-1,3- dimethyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide (IUPAC)	BCS-AA10006
M02 Soil	BYF 14182-pyrazolyl-AAP	$\begin{array}{c} C_{14} H_{14} F N_3 \\ O_2 \end{array}$
degradant		275.28 g/mol
	H_3C F H_3C O	AE 2300037 BCS-AF73126
	N-(2-acetylphenyl)-5-fluoro-1,3-dimethyl-1 <i>H</i> - pyrazole-4-carboxamide (IUPAC)	
M58	BYF 14182-pyrazole-4-carboxamide	C ₆ H ₈ F N ₃ O
Aquatic degradant	H ₃ C O NH ₂	157.15 g/mol
	H_{3C} F	BCS-AA10791 ELB13168
	5-fluoro-1,3-dimethyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide	SES10133-1-1

ANNEX I – Parent and degradant information: code, chemical name and structure.

	Report name, Structure IUPAC name CAS name, [CAS number]	Molecular formula molar mass Other names / codes
M60	BYF 14182-fluoro acid	C ₆ H ₇ F N ₂ O ₂ 158.13 g/mol
	H ₃ C O N U OH	158.13 g/mol
	H ₃ C F	AE 1898258 ELB 10856
	5-fluoro-1,3-dimethyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	

ANNEX II – Aquatic toxicity data for penflufen degradants.

Degradant / Guideline / GLP	Species	s Endpoint	Exj	Exposure		Results	
status	species		Design	Duration	Endpoint	Toxicity (mg/l)	Reference
Penflufen-3-hydroxy	-butyl (M01)						
Acute toxicity to fish OECD Guideline 203, GLP, purity 99.4%	Common Carp (<i>Cyprinus</i> <i>carpio</i>)	Mortality	Static	96 hours	LC ₅₀	>15.7 (mm) limit test	DAR B.9.2.1.5.1 Unpublishe Study (ref). 2009a
Daphnia sp Acute Immobilisation OECD Guideline, 202, GLP, purity 99.4%	Daphnia magna	Acute immobilisation	Static	48 hours	EC ₅₀	>62 (mm) limit test	DAR B.9.2.1.5.2 Unpublishe Study (ref). 2009f
Freshwater Algal Growth Inhibition OECD Guideline 201, GLP, purity 99.4%	Pseudokirchne riella subcapitata*	Cell multiplication inhibition	Static	72 hours	ErC ₅₀ NOErC	>75 (n) 18 (n) Supported by analytical verification	DAR B.9.2.1.5.3 Unpublishe Study (ref). 2009b
Penflufen-pyrazolyl- Acute toxicity to fish OECD Guideline 203, GLP, purity 99.6%	AAP (M02) Common Carp (<i>Cyprinus</i> <i>carpio</i>)	Mortality	Static	96 hours	LC ₅₀	>0.799 (mm) limit test	DAR B.9.1.1.5.1 Unpublishe Study (ref). 2009b
Daphnia sp Acute Immobilisation OECD Guideline, 202, GLP, purity 99.6%	Daphnia magna	Acute immobilisation	Static	48 hours	EC ₅₀	>3.12 (mm) limit test	DAR B.9.2.1.5.2 Unpublishe Study (ref). 2009c
Freshwater Algal Growth Inhibition OECD Guideline 201, GLP, purity 99.6%	Pseudokirchne riella subcapitata*	Cell multiplication inhibition	Static	72 hours	ErC ₅₀ NOErC	>1(n) 0.977 (n) Supported by analytical verification	DAR B.9.2.1.5.3 Unpublishe Study (ref). 2009d

Table 1: Summary of relevant information on aquatic toxicity for penflufen degradants

Notes:

mm refers to mean measured concentrations

n refers to nominal concentrations

*formerly Selenastrum capricornutum

ANNEX III

See confidential attachment.