

Helsinki, 20 June 2022

#### **Addressees**

Registrant of JS\_26850-24-8 as listed in Appendix 3 of this decision

Date of submission of the dossier subject to this decision 23/09/2021

# Registered substance subject to this decision ("the Substance")

Substance name: 5,5-Dimethylimidazolidine-2,4-dione, reaction products with oxirane

EC number: 701-388-0

# **DECISION ON TESTING PROPOSAL(S)**

Based on Article 40 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH), you must submit the information listed below by *3 January 2024.* 

Requested information must be generated using the Substance unless otherwise specified.

## Information required from all the Registrants subject to Annex IX of REACH:

- 1. Pre-natal developmental toxicity study (Annex IX, Section 8.7.2.; test method: OECD TG 414) by oral route, in one species (rat or rabbit).
- 2. Simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water (Annex IX, Section 9.2.1.2.; test method: EU C.25./OECD TG 309) at a temperature of 12°C. Non-extractable residues (NER) must be quantified and a scientific justification of the selected extraction procedures and solvents must be provided.
- 3. Identification of degradation products (Annex IX, 9.2.3.; test method: using an appropriate test method)

The reasons for the decision(s) are explained in Appendix 1.

## Information required depends on your tonnage band

You must provide the information listed above for all REACH Annexes applicable to you in accordance with Articles 10(a) and 12(1) of REACH. The addressees of the decision and their corresponding information requirements based on registered tonnage band are listed in Appendix 3.

You are only required to share the costs of information that you must submit to fulfil your information requirements.

# How to comply with your information requirements



To comply with your information requirements, you must submit the information requested by this decision in an updated registration dossier by the deadline indicated above. You must also **update the chemical safety report**, where relevant, including any changes to classification and labelling, based on the newly generated information.

You must follow the general requirements for testing and reporting new tests under REACH, see Appendix 4.

## Appeal

This decision, when adopted under Article 51 of REACH, may be appealed to the Board of Appeal of ECHA within three months of its notification to you. Please refer to <a href="http://echa.europa.eu/regulations/appeals">http://echa.europa.eu/regulations/appeals</a> for further information.

## Failure to comply

If you do not comply with the information required by this decision by the deadline indicated above, ECHA will notify the enforcement authorities of your Member State.

Authorised<sup>1</sup> under the authority of Mike Rasenberg, Director of Hazard Assessment

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As this is an electronic document, it is not physically signed. This communication has been approved according to ECHA's internal decision-approval process.





# Appendix 1: Reasons for the decision

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## Reasons for the decision(s) related to the information under Annex IX of REACH

# 1. Pre-natal developmental toxicity study

- A pre-natal developmental toxicity (PNDT) study (OECD TG 414) in one species is an information requirement under Annex IX to REACH (Section 8.7.2.).
  - 1.1 Information provided to fulfil the information requirement
- 2 You have submitted a testing proposal for a PNDT study according to OECD TG 414 by the oral route with the Substance.
- 3 ECHA requested your considerations for alternative methods to fulfil the information requirement for Developmental toxicity. You provided your considerations concluding that there were no alternative methods which could be used to adapt the information requirement(s) for which testing is proposed. ECHA has taken these considerations into account.
- 4 ECHA agrees that a PNDT study in a first species is necessary.
  - 1.2 Specification of the study design
- You proposed testing in the rat as a first species. You may select between the rat or the rabbit because both are preferred species under the OECD TG 414 (ECHA Guidance R.7a, Section R.7.6.2.3.2.).
- You did not specify the route for testing. The oral route of administration is the most appropriate to investigate reproductive toxicity (ECHA Guidance R.7a, Section R.7.6.2.3.2.).

## 1.3 Outcome

- Your testing proposal is accepted under Article 40(3)(a) and you are requested to conduct the test with the Substance, as specified above.
- 8 In the comments to the draft decision, you agree to perform the requested test.

## 2. Simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water

- 9 Simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water is an information requirement under Annex IX to REACH (Section 9.2.1.2.).
  - 2.1. Information needed to fulfil the information requirement
- You have submitted a testing proposal for an Aerobic mineralisation in Surface Water Simulation biodegradation test (test method: OECD TG 309).
- 11 Your registration dossier does not include any information on ultimate biodegradation in surface water.



- Simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water does not need to be conducted if the substance is highly insoluble in water or is readily biodegradable (Annex IX, Section 9.2.1.2, column 2).
- 13 The information provided in your dossier indicates that:
  - the Substance is well soluble (the Substance is miscible in all proportions based on OECD TG 105);
  - the Substance is not readily biodegradable (0% and 17% biodegradation after 28 days based on two OECD TG 301B);
  - the Substance is not inherently biodegradable (1.4% biodegradation after 28 days based on OECD TG 302C).
- As the Substance is well soluble and not readily biodegradable, ECHA agrees that an appropriate simulation study on ultimate degradation in surface water is needed.
  - 2.2. Test selection and study specifications
- The proposed Aerobic mineralisation in Surface Water Simulation biodegradation test (test method: OECD TG 309) is appropriate to cover the information requirement for degradation/biodegradation (ECHA Guidance R.7.9.4.1).
- Simulation degradation studies must include two types of investigations (ECHA Guidance R.7.9.4.1.):
  - 1) a degradation pathway study where transformation/degradation products are quantified and, if relevant, are identified, and
  - 2) a kinetic study where the degradation rate constants (and degradation half-lives) of the parent substance and of relevant transformation/degradation products are experimentally determined.
- You must perform the test by following the pelagic test option with natural surface water containing approximately 15 mg dw/L of suspended solids (acceptable concentration between 10 and 20 mg dw/L) (ECHA Guidance R.11.4.1.1.3.).
- The required test temperature is 12°C, which corresponds to the average environmental temperature for the EU (ECHA Guidance R.16, Table R.16-8) and is in line with the applicable test conditions of the OECD TG 309.
- As specified in ECHA Guidance R.7.9.4.1., the organic carbon (OC) concentration in surface water simulation tests is typically 2 to 3 orders of magnitude higher than the test substance concentration and the formation of non-extractable residues (NERs) may be significant in surface water tests. Therefore, non-extractable residues (NER) must be quantified. The reporting of results must include a scientific justification of the used extraction procedures and solvents. By default, total NER is regarded as non-degraded Substance. However, if reasonably justified and analytically demonstrated a certain part of NER may be differentiated and quantified as irreversibly bound or as degraded to biogenic NER, such fractions could be regarded as removed when calculating the degradation half-life(s) (ECHA Guidance R.11.4.1.1.3.). Further recommendations may be found in the background note on options to address non-extractable residues in regulatory persistence assessment available on the ECHA website.
- Relevant transformation/degradation products are at least those detected at  $\geq$  10% of the applied dose at any sampling time or those that are continuously increasing during the study even if their concentrations do not exceed 10% of the applied dose, as this may indicate persistence (OECD TG 309; ECHA Guidance R.11.4.1.).

## 2.3. Outcome



- Your testing proposal is accepted under Article 40(3)(a) and you are requested to conduct the test with the Substance, as specified above.
- In the comments to the draft decision, you agree to perform the requested test. In addition, you propose to perform the test using radiolabelled material which would contain only the constituent that you considered the most persistent of the Substance.
- ECHA acknowledges that the "known constituents approach" can be applied for persistency testing (see Appendix 4, section 2.1.). As indicated in the Guidance on IRs & CSA, Section R.11.4.2.2: "the need to test a constituent should be driven by its relevance and representativeness for the overall PBT assessment of the substance." As regard to PBT assessment, ECHA notes that the information in your dossier is currently incomplete and therefore, it is not possible to conclude on the toxicity of the Substance (see sections 2 and 3 of this appendix).
- Therefore, if you choose to conduct testing using the "known constituents approach", you have to justify the reasons why you consider the selected constituent(s) as a representative and relevant for the whole Substance and for the PBT assessment.

# 3. Identification of degradation products

- Identification of degradation products is an information requirement under Annex IX to REACH (Section 9.2.3.).
- Under Article 40(3)(c) of REACH, ECHA may require a registrant to carry out one or more additional tests in case of non-compliance of the testing proposal with Annexes IX, X or XI of the REACH Regulation. The information requirement on Degradation (Section 9.2.) at Annex IX requires to provide information on Biotic degradation (Section 9.2.1.) and on the identity of degradation products (Section 9.2.3.) for the Substance. You have submitted a testing proposal only for a simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water. In case of data gap for the identification of degradation products, it is necessary to request this information as an additional information to ensure compliance with the endpoint.
  - 3.1. Information needed to fulfil the information requirement
- 27 You have provided no information on the identity of transformation/degradation products for the Substance.
- On this basis, the information requirement is not fulfilled.

## 3.2. Specification of the study design

- Regarding the selection of appropriate and suitable test method(s), the method(s) will have to be substance specific. Identity, stability, behaviour, and molar quantity of the degradation/transformation products relative to the Substance must be evaluated and reported, when analytically possible. In addition, degradation half-life, log Kow and potential toxicity of the transformation/degradation may need to be investigated. You may obtain this information from the degradation study requested by this decision or by some other measure. If any other method is used for the identification of the transformation/degradation products, you must provide a scientifically valid justification for the chosen method.
- To determine the degradation rate of the Substance, the requested study according to OECD TG 309 (Section 2 in Appendix 1) must be conducted at 12°C and at a test material application rate reflecting realistic assumptions. However, to overcome potential analytical

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limitations with the identification and quantification of major transformation/degradation products, you may consider running a parallel test at higher temperature (but within the frame provided by the test guideline, e.g. 20°C) and at higher application rate (i.e. 10 times).

You may also use other appropriate and suitable test method(s) to provide information on the identity of the transformation/degradation products, for example an enhanced screening level degradation test or modelling tools. You will need to provide a scientifically valid justification for the chosen method. The provided information should include, identification, stability, behaviour, molar quantity of transformation/degradation products relative to the parent compound. In addition, degradation half-life, log  $K_{\text{ow}}$  and potential toxicity of the transformation/degradation may need to be investigated.

## 3.3. Outcome

32 Under Article 40(3)(c) of REACH, you are requested to provide the additional information with the Substance, as specified above.



#### References

The following documents may have been cited in the decision.

# Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment (Guidance on IRs & CSA)

Chapter R.4 Evaluation of available information; ECHA (2011). Chapter R.6 QSARs, read-across and grouping; ECHA (2008).

Appendix to Chapter R.6 for nanoforms; ECHA (2019).

Chapter R.7a Endpoint specific guidance, Sections R.7.1 - R.7.7; ECHA (2017). Appendix to Chapter R.7a for nanomaterials; ECHA (2017).

Chapter R.7b Endpoint specific guidance, Sections R.7.8 – R.7.9; ECHA (2017). Appendix to Chapter R.7b for nanomaterials; ECHA (2017).

Chapter R.7c Endpoint specific guidance, Sections R.7.10 - R.7.13; (ECHA 2017).

Appendix to Chapter R.7a for nanomaterials; ECHA (2017).

Appendix R.7.13-2 Environmental risk assessment for metals and metal

compounds; ECHA (2008).

Chapter R.11 PBT/vPvB assessment; ECHA (2017).

Chapter R.16 Environmental exposure assessment; ECHA (2016).

## Guidance on data-sharing; ECHA (2017).

All Guidance on REACH is available online: https://echa.europa.eu/guidancedocuments/quidance-on-reach

## Read-across assessment framework (RAAF)

Read-across assessment framework (RAAF), ECHA (2017) RAAF, 2017 RAAF UVCB, 2017 Read-across assessment framework (RAAF) - considerations on multi- constituent substances and UVCBs), ECHA (2017).

The RAAF and related documents are available online:

https://echa.europa.eu/support/registration/how-to-avoid-unnecessary-testing-onanimals/grouping-of-substances-and-read-across

# **OECD Guidance documents (OECD GDs)**

OECD GD 23	Guidance document on aquatic toxicity testing of difficult substances and mixtures; No. 23 in the OECD series on testing and
OECD GD 29	assessment, OECD (2019). Guidance document on transformation/dissolution of metals and
OECD GD 29	metal compounds in aqueous media; No. 29 in the OECD series on
	testing and assessment, OECD (2002).
OECD GD 150	Revised guidance document 150 on standardised test guidelines for evaluating chemicals for endocrine disruption; No. 150 in the OECD
	series on testing and assessment, OECD (2018).
OECD GD 151	Guidance document supporting OECD test guideline 443 on the extended one-generation reproductive toxicity test; No. 151 in the
	OECD series on testing and assessment, OECD (2013).



# **Appendix 2: Procedure**

ECHA started the testing proposal evaluation in accordance with Article 40(1) on 14 October 2021.

ECHA held a third party consultation for the testing proposal(s) from 25 November 2021 until 10 January 2022. ECHA did not receive information from third parties.

ECHA followed the procedure detailed in Articles 50 and 51 of REACH.

ECHA notified you of the draft decision and invited you to provide comments.

ECHA took into account your comments and did not amend the requests.

ECHA notified the draft decision to the competent authorities of the Member States for proposals for amendment

As no amendments were proposed, ECHA adopted the decision under Article 51(3) of REACH.



# Appendix 3: Addressees of this decision and their corresponding information requirements

In accordance with Articles 10(a) and 12(1) of REACH, the information requirements for individual registrations are defined as follows:

• the information specified in Annexes VII, VIII and IX to REACH, for registration at 100-1000 tpa.

Registrant Name	Registration number	Highest REACH Annex applicable to you

Where applicable, the name of a third party representative (TPR) may be displayed in the list of recipients whereas ECHA will send the decision to the actual registrant.



## Appendix 4: Conducting and reporting new tests for REACH purposes

# 1. Requirements when conducting and reporting new tests for REACH purposes

# 1.1. Test methods, GLP requirements and reporting

- (1) Under Article 13(3) of REACH, all new data generated as a result of this decision must be conducted according to the test methods laid down in a European Commission Regulation or to international test methods recognised by the Commission or ECHA as being appropriate.
- (2) Under Article 13(4) of REACH, ecotoxicological and toxicological tests and analyses must be carried out according to the GLP principles (Directive 2004/10/EC) or other international standards recognised by the Commission or ECHA.
- (3) Under Article 10(a)(vi) and (vii) of REACH, all new data generated as a result of this decision must be reported as study summaries, or as robust study summaries, if required under Annex I of REACH. See ECHA Practical Guide on How to report robust study summaries<sup>2</sup>.
- (4) Where a test method offers flexibility in the study design, for example in relation to the choice of dose levels or concentrations, the chosen study design shall ensure that the data generated are adequate for hazard identification and risk assessment.

#### 1.2. Test material

Before generating new data, you must agree within the joint submission on the chemical composition of the material to be tested (Test Material) which must be relevant for all the registrants of the Substance.

1. Selection of the Test material(s)

The Test Material used to generate the new data must be selected taking into account the following:

- a) the variation in compositions reported by all members of the joint submission,
- b) the boundary composition(s) of the Substance,
- c) the impact of each constituent/ impurity on the test results for the endpoint to be assessed. For example, if a constituent/ impurity of the Substance is known to have an impact on (eco)toxicity, the selected Test Material must contain that constituent/ impurity.
- 2. Information on the Test Material needed in the updated dossier
  - a) You must report the composition of the Test Material selected for each study, under the "Test material information" section, for each respective endpoint study record in IUCLID.
  - b) The reported composition must include the careful identification and description of the characteristics of the Tests Materials in accordance with OECD GLP (ENV/MC/CHEM(98)16) and EU Test Methods Regulation (EU) 440/2008 (Note, Annex), namely all the constituents must be identified as far as possible as well as their concentration. Also, any constituents that have harmonised classification and labelling according to the CLP Regulation must be identified and quantified using the appropriate analytical methods.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>https://echa.europa.eu/practical-guides</u>



With that detailed information, ECHA can confirm whether the Test Material is relevant for the Substance and whether it is suitable for use by all members of the joint submission.

Technical instructions on how to report the above is available in the manual on How to prepare registration and PPORD dossiers<sup>3</sup>.

# 2. General recommendations for conducting and reporting new tests

# 2.1. Environmental testing for substances containing multiple constituents

Your Substance contains multiple constituents and, as indicated in Guidance on IRs & CSA, Section R.11.4.2.2, you are advised to consider the following approaches for persistency, bioaccumulation and aquatic toxicity testing:

- the "known constituents approach" (by assessing specific constituents), or
- the "fraction/block approach, (performed on the basis of fractions/blocks of constituents), or
- the "whole substance approach", or
- various combinations of the approaches described above

Selection of the appropriate approach must take into account the possibility to characterise the Substance (i.e. knowledge of its constituents and/or fractions and any differences in their properties) and the possibility to isolate or synthesize its relevant constituents and/or fractions.

References to Guidance on REACH and other supporting documents can be found in Appendix 1.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://echa.europa.eu/manuals