BPR-EN-FORCE (BEF-1)

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Scope of the BEF-1

- Focus on:
  - Presence of the labelling of treated articles (TAs)
  - Correct and complete labelling of TAs
  - Legal/illegal presence of the active substance(s) in the TAs
- Focus on TAs
  - With biocidal property claims or
  - Active substances with specific labelling conditions in their approval decision
- Wide ranging in terms of inspected TAs
  - Articles & chemical mixtures
  - Consumer & professional products
- Target groups
  - Actors placing and making available TAs

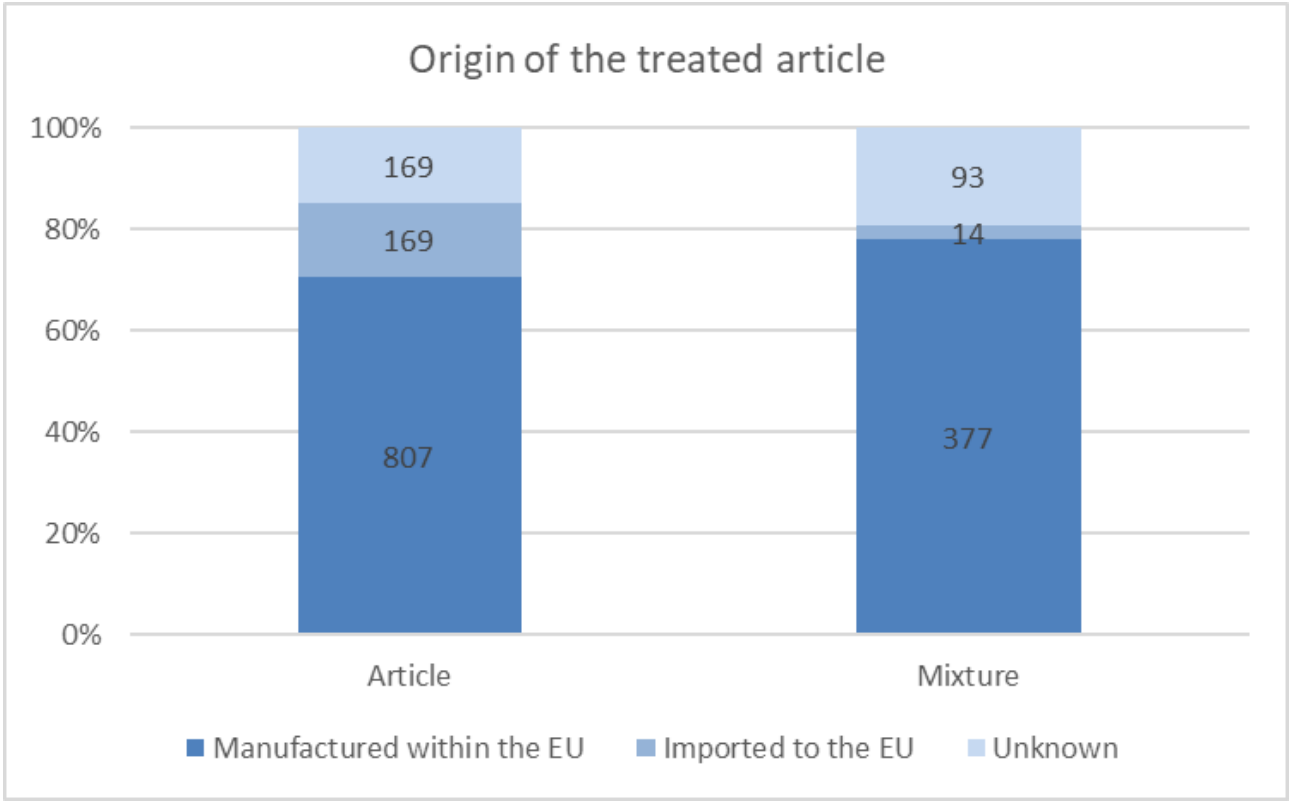
Objectives of the project

- Assess the awareness and competence on the target groups on TAs and compliance level of the BPR
- Gain more insight into the European market of TAs (monitoring)
- Improve NEAs knowledge about the BPR-requirements of TAs
- Harmonized enforcement of TA

BEF- 1 Results

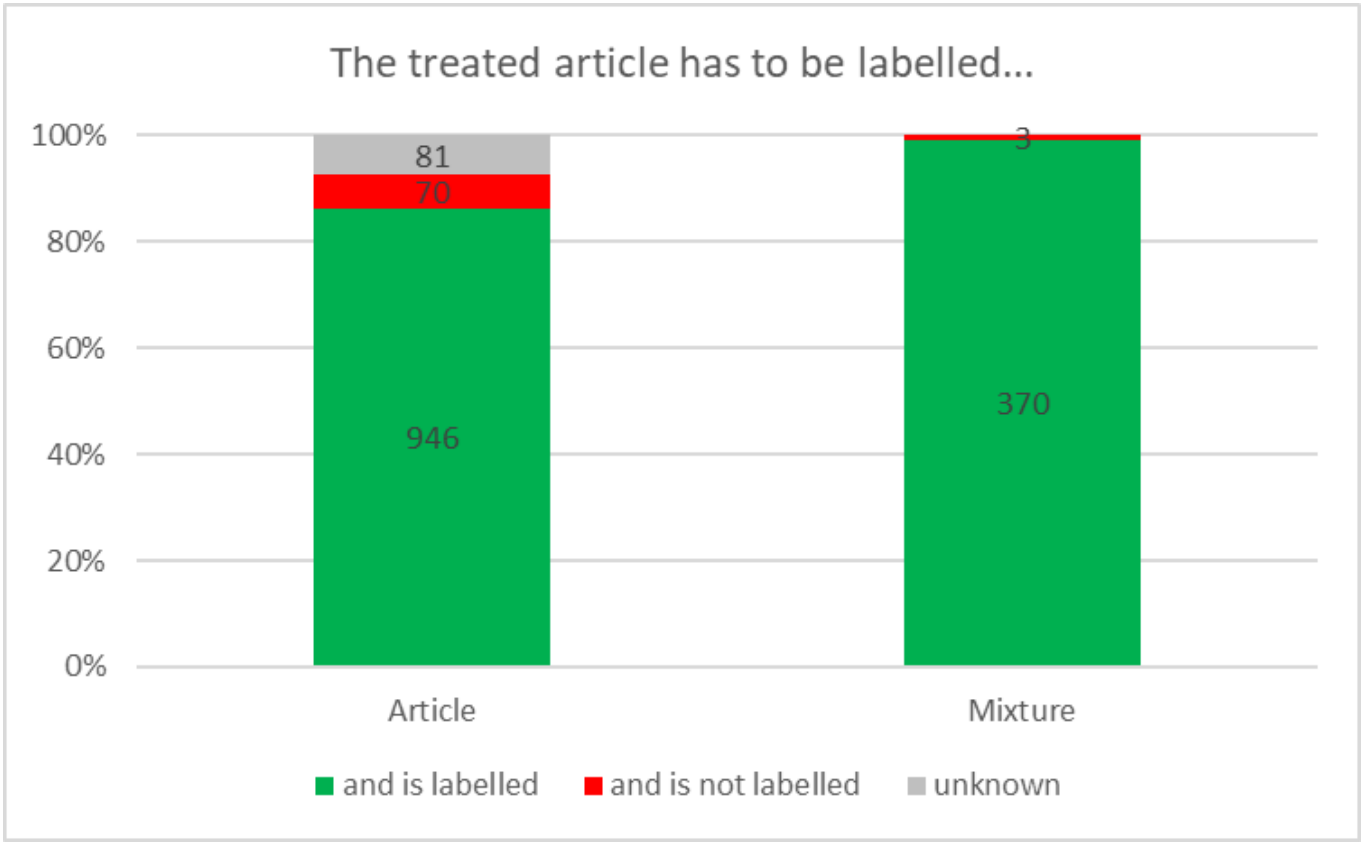
- 22 MS participated
- 1187 companies were inspected (84 % on-site)
- 1844 TAs were checked (70 % articles and 30 % mixtures)
- Most controlled categories
  - Articles: Clothing (38%) and bedding (19 %)
  - Mixtures: Paints (51 %)

BEF- 1 Results – Origin of the TAs



In total 73 % of the TAs were manufactured within the EU

BEF-1 Results – Labelling requirement

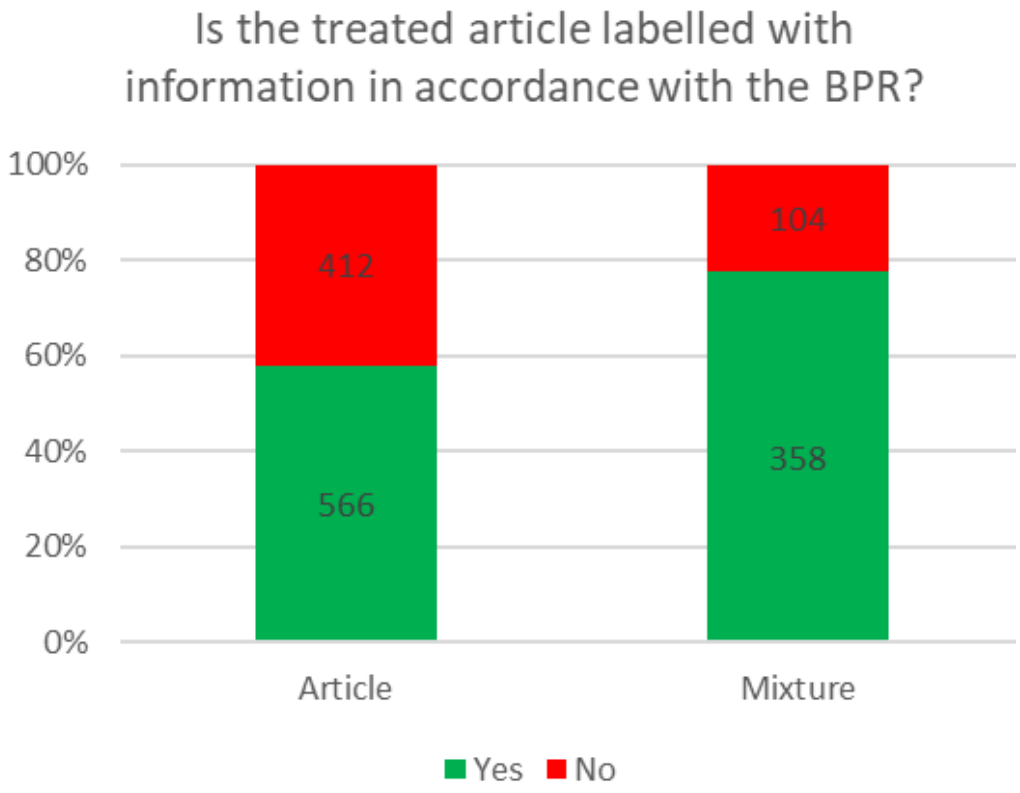


In total 90 % compliance

BEF-1 Results – Are the TAs correctly labelled?

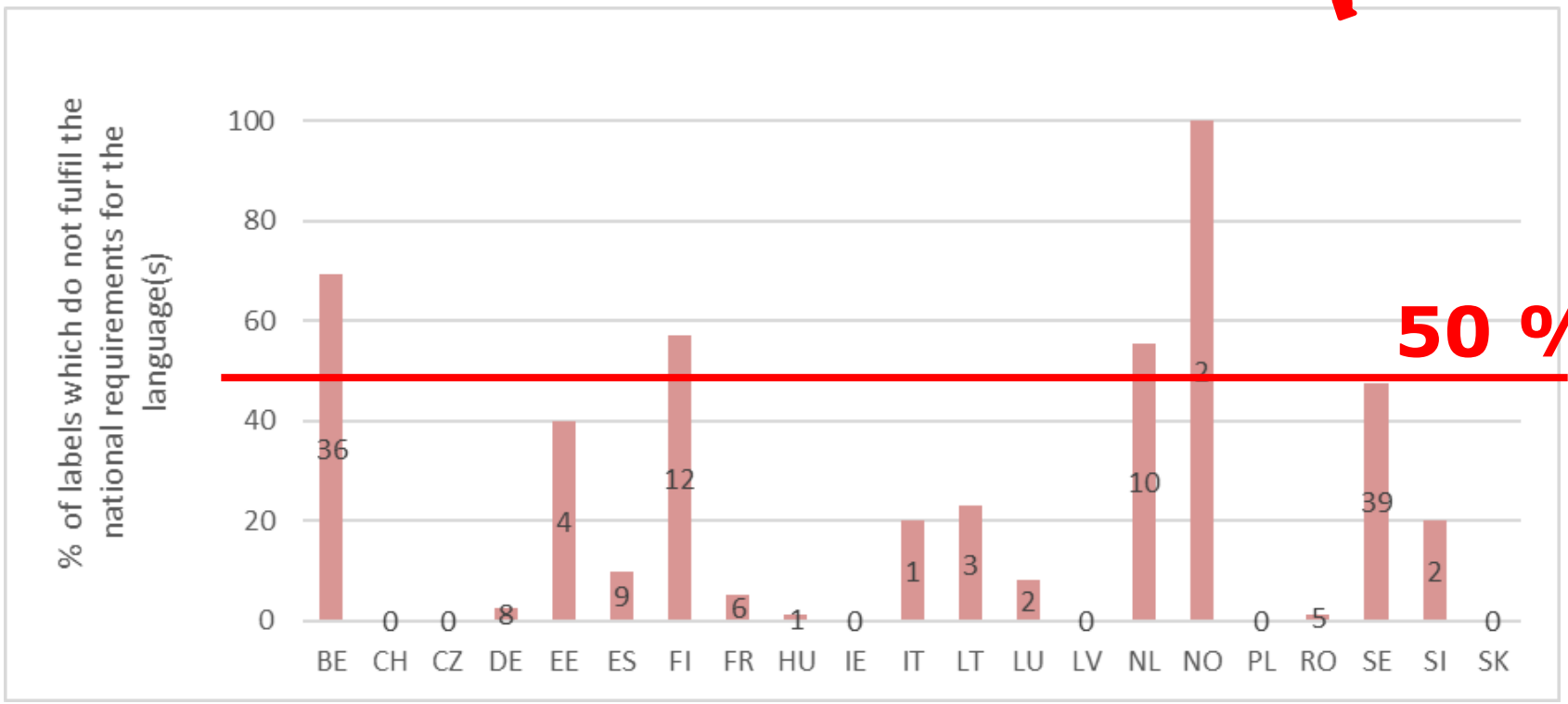
- In total 36 % non-compliance
  - Articles: 42%
  - Mixtures: 23 %

- Two most common deficiencies
  - Name of active substance missing (77 % articles, 17 % mixtures)
  - Biocidal property missing (14 % articles, 51 % mixtures)



BEF-1 Results – Language on label

Mixtures: 0 % non-compliance
Articles: 17 % non-compliance (140 articles)

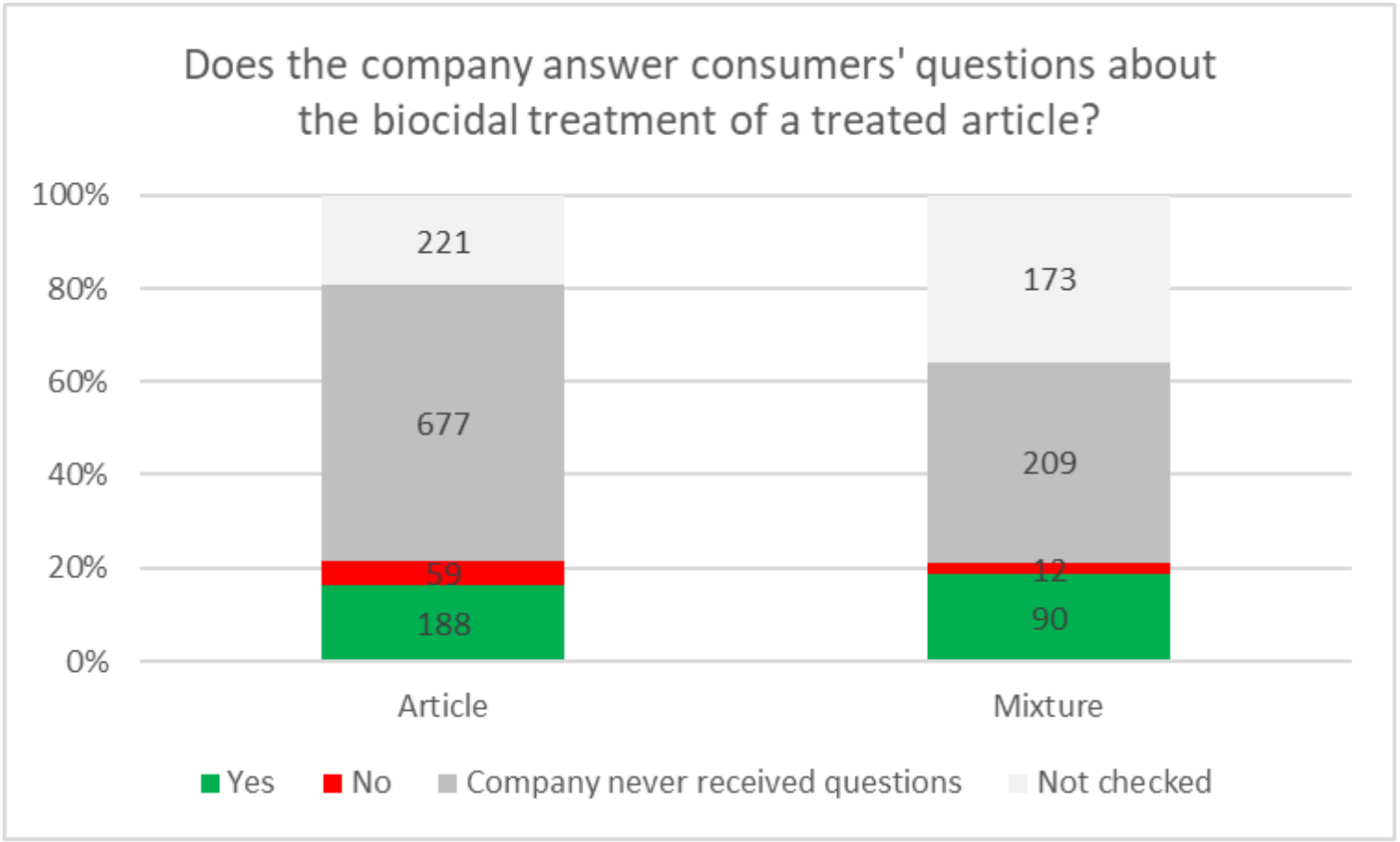


BEF- Results – Active substances

Active substance status	In articles	In mixtures
Allowed AS	1117	730
Not allowed AS	43	4
Unknown	272	57
Total	**1432**	**791**

- Allowed active substances
  - Most found in articles: Zinc pyrithione (9 %)
  - Most found in mixtures: 1,2-benzisothiazol-3(2H)-one (BIT) (31%)
- Not allowed active substances
  - E.g silver chloride, silver ion (not specified), triclosan

BEF- 1 Results – Consumer request



BEF-1 Results – Actions taken by NEA

- 15 follow-up inspections of BPs used to treat TAs with not approved a.s
- 18 criminal complaints/hand over to public prosecutors´offices
- 27 fines
- 49 administrative orders
- 282 written advice/ 110 verbal advice

Conclusions

- Consumer´s rights for information – not very well known or isn´t needed.
- Many companies have low knowledge about labelling TAs correctly.
- National language well fulfilled but high non-compliance in some MS.
- Less than 2,5 % contain illegal active substances. The result is only based on company´s declarations.
- Some companies choose to remove biocidal claims in order to avoid the biocidal regulation.

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