



Decision number: TPE-D-2114297283-42-01/F Helsinki, 31 March 2015

DECISION ON TESTING PROPOSALS SET OUT IN A REGISTRATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 40(3) OF REGULATION (EC) NO 1907/2006

For 1,1,3,3-tetramethylbutyl peroxyneodecanoate, 257-077-0), registration number:	CAS No 51240-95-0 (EC No
Addressee:	

The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) has taken the following decision in accordance with the procedure set out in Articles 50 and 51 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH Regulation).

I. Procedure

Pursuant to Article 40(1) of the REACH Regulation, ECHA has examined the following testing proposals submitted as part of the registration dossier in accordance with Articles 10(a)(ix) and 12(1)(d) thereof for 1,1,3,3-tetramethylbutyl peroxyneodecanoate, CAS No 51240-95-0 (EC No 257-077-0), submitted by (Registrant).

- Viscosity of Liquids (OECD 114);
- 90-day oral toxicity study (OECD 408) in rats, oral route with additional reproductive parameters (estrus cycle, sperm staging, sperm morphology) as well as staining for alpha 2u globulin;
- Developmental toxicity study (OECD 414);
- Daphnia magna Reproduction Test (OECD 211).

This decision is based on the registration dossier as submitted with submission number for the tonnage band of 100 to 1000 tonnes per year. This decision does not take into account any updates after 15 January 2015, the date upon which ECHA notified its draft decision to the Competent Authorities of the Member States pursuant to Article 51(1) of the REACH Regulation.

This decision does not imply that the information provided by the Registrant in his registration dossier is in compliance with the REACH requirements. The decision does not prevent ECHA from initiating a compliance check on the registration at a later stage.

ECHA received the registration dossier containing the above-mentioned testing proposals for further examination pursuant to Article 40(1) on 25 March 2013.

ECHA held a third party consultation for the testing proposals from 2 June 2014 until 17 July 2014. ECHA did not receive information from third parties.

On 15 October 2014 ECHA sent the draft decision to the Registrant and invited him to provide comments within 30 days of the receipt of the draft decision.

On 17 November 2014 ECHA received comments from the Registrant agreeing to ECHA's draft decision but indicating an editorial error in Section III of the draft decision concerning the most appropriate route of administration of the subchronic toxicity study.

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The ECHA Secretariat considered the Registrant's comments.

The information is reflected in the Statement of Reasons (Section III) deleting the sentence wrongly referring to dermal route whereas no amendments to the Information Required (Section II) were made.

On 15 January 2015 ECHA notified the Competent Authorities of the Member States of its draft decision and invited them pursuant to Article 51(1) of the REACH Regulation to submit proposals for amendment of the draft decision within 30 days of the receipt of the notification.

As no proposal for amendment was submitted, ECHA took the decision pursuant to Article 51(3) of the REACH Regulation.

II. Testing required

A. Tests required pursuant to Article 40(3)

The Registrant shall carry out the following proposed tests pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) and 13(4) of the REACH Regulation using the indicated test methods and the registered substance subject to the present decision:

- Viscosity (Annex IX, Section 7.17.; test method OECD 114);
- 2. Sub-chronic toxicity study (90-day), oral route (Annex IX, Section 8.6.2.; test method: EU B.26/OECD 408) in rats; modified to include urinalysis and a full histopathological examination which is to include immunohistochemical investigation of renal pathology to determine if the pathology is mediated by alpha-2u globulin nephropathy.
 - It is at the Registrant's discretion to perform the intended additional examinations during the testing program;
- 3. Pre-natal developmental toxicity study (Annex IX, Section 8.7.2.; test method: EU B.31/OECD 414) in rats or rabbits, oral route;
- 4. Long-term toxicity testing on aquatic invertebrates (Annex IX, Section 9.1.5.; test method: *Daphnia magna* reproduction test, EU C.20/OECD 211).

Note for consideration by the Registrant:

The Registrant may adapt the testing requested above according to the specific rules outlined in Annexes VI to X and/or according to the general rules contained in Annex XI of the REACH Regulation. In order to ensure compliance with the respective information requirement, any such adaptation will need to have a scientific justification, referring to and conforming with the appropriate rules in the respective Annex, and an adequate and reliable documentation.

Failure to comply with the requests in this decision, or to fulfil otherwise the information requirements with a valid and documented adaptation, will result in a notification to the Enforcement Authorities of the Member States.

B. Deadline for submitting the required information

Pursuant to Articles 40(4) and 22(2) of the REACH Regulation, the Registrant shall submit to ECHA by **7 April 2017** an update of the registration dossier containing the information required by this decision, including, where relevant, an update of the Chemical Safety Report. The timeline has been set to allow for sequential testing as appropriate.

III. Statement of reasons



The decision of ECHA is based on the examination of the testing proposals submitted by the Registrant for the registered substance.

A. Tests required pursuant to Article 40(3)

1. Viscosity (Annex IX, Section 7.17.)

Pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH Regulation, ECHA may require the Registrant to carry out the proposed test.

"Viscosity" is a standard information requirement as laid down in Annex IX, Section 7.17. of the REACH Regulation. The information on this endpoint is not available for the registered substance subject to the present decision but needs to be present in the technical dossier to meet the information requirements. Consequently there is an information gap and it is necessary to provide information for this endpoint.

The Registrant has submitted a testing proposal for a Viscosity of Liquids.

ECHA considers the proposed test appropriate and testing should be performed with the registered substance.

Therefore, pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH Regulation, the Registrant is requested to carry out the proposed test using the registered substance: Viscosity of liquids (test method: OECD 114).

2. Sub-chronic toxicity study (90-day) (Annex IX, Section 8.6.2.)

Pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH Regulation, ECHA may require the Registrant to carry out the proposed test.

A sub-chronic toxicity study (90 day) is a standard information requirement as laid down in Annex IX, Section 8.6.2. of the REACH Regulation. The information on this endpoint is not available for the registered substance but needs to be present in the technical dossier to meet the information requirements. Consequently there is an information gap and it is necessary to provide information for this endpoint.

The Registrant has submitted a testing proposal for a sub-chronic toxicity study (90 day) in rats via the oral route (EU B.26/OECD 408) with the following justification: 'A 90-day study in the rat is proposed conducted in accordance with OECD 408 via the oral route.

In order to better evaluate reproductive effects of repeated dose exposure, histopathology of the testes, as well as weights of reproductive organs and accessory glands will be taken (i.e. testis, epididymis, prostate, seminal vesicle. In addition sperm parameters such including sperm count, sperm morphology and sperm motility will be evaluated.'

ECHA considers that the proposed study via the oral route is appropriate to fulfil the information requirement of Annex IX, Section 8.6.2. of the REACH Regulation.

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testing by the oral route is most appropriate.

The Registrant proposed testing in rats. According to the test method EU B.26/OECD 408 the rat is the preferred species. ECHA considers this species as being appropriate and testing should be performed with the rat.

In the oral 28-day study at all dosages (300 and 1000 mg/kg bw/day), hyaline droplets nephropathy in the kidneys (consisting of increased severity of hyaline droplets, increased tubular degeneration/regeneration and granular casts) were observed in male rats. The fact that these effects were only observed in male rats indicates that the registered substance may induce alpha-2u-globin-mediated nephropathy. Since humans do not excrete alpha-2u-globin, this mode of action is not relevant to humans. For this reason, ECHA decided to acknowledge the Registrant's testing proposal by including urinalysis (which is optional in paragraph 30 of OECD 408, and the relevant part of Section 1.5.2.2. of EU Method B.26) to investigate kidney function, and a full histopathological examination (paragraph 36 of OECD 408, Section 1.5.2.4. of EU Method B.26), which is to include immunohistochemical investigation of renal pathology to determine if the pathology is indeed mediated by alpha-2u globulin.

Therefore, pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH Regulation, the Registrant is requested to carry out the proposed study with the registered substance subject to the present decision: Sub-chronic toxicity study (90-day) in rats, oral route (test method: EU B.26/OECD 408), modified to include urinalysis and a full histopathological examination which is to include immunohistochemical investigation of renal pathology to determine if the pathology is mediated by alpha-2u globulin nephropathy.

Note for consideration by the Registrant:

The Registrant proposed to extend the sub-chronic toxicity study (90 day) by including additional examinations/parameters (testis, epididymis, prostate, seminal vesicle. In addition sperm parameters such including sperm count, sperm morphology and sperm motility). ECHA notes, that it is at the Registrant's discretion to perform the intended additional examinations during the testing program and use the results to ensure the safe use of the substance.

However, the Registrant is reminded that, if the condition of Annex IX, Section 8.7.3., Column 1 is fulfilled, the proposed extension of the study presently requested does not fulfil the standard information requirement in the registration dossier for reproductive toxicity set out in Annex IX, Section 8.7.3.

3. Pre-natal developmental toxicity study (Annex IX, Section 8.7.2.)

Pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH Regulation, ECHA may require the Registrant to carry out the proposed test.

A pre-natal developmental toxicity study for a first species is a standard information requirement as laid down in Annex IX, Section 8.7.2. of the REACH Regulation. The information on this endpoint is not available for the registered substance but needs to be present in the technical dossier to meet the information requirements. Consequently there is an information gap and it is necessary to provide information for this endpoint.

The Registrant has submitted a testing proposal for a pre-natal developmental toxicity study in rats according to EU B.31/OECD 414 with the following justification: 'OECD 414 in the rat is proposed via the oral route (per Endpoint Specific Guidance Chaper 7 pg 370: Since most acute, repeated-dose and toxicokinetic studies are conventionally conductd in the rat, it is

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advisable that the first developmental toxicity study should also be conducted in this species).'

ECHA considers that the proposed study is appropriate to fulfil the information requirement of Annex IX, Section 8.7.2. of the REACH Regulation.

The Registrant proposed testing in rats. He did not specify the route for testing. According to the test method EU B.31/OECD 414, the rat is the preferred rodent species, the rabbit the preferred non-rodent species and the test substance is usually administered orally. ECHA considers these default parameters appropriate and testing should be performed by the oral route with the rat or the rabbit as a first species to be used.

Therefore, pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH Regulation, the Registrant is requested to carry out the proposed study with the registered substance subject to the present decision: Pre-natal developmental toxicity study in rats or rabbits, oral route (test method: EU B.31/OECD 414).

4. Long-term toxicity testing on aquatic invertebrates (Annex IX, Section 9.1.5.)

Pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH Regulation, ECHA may require the Registrant to carry out the proposed test.

"Long-term toxicity testing on aquatic invertebrates" is a standard information requirement as laid down in Annex IX, Section 9.1.5. of the REACH Regulation. The information on this endpoint is not available for the registered substance but needs to be present in the technical dossier to meet the information requirements. Consequently, there is an information gap and it is necessary to provide information for this endpoint.

The Registrant has submitted a testing proposal for testing for long-term toxicity testing on aquatic invertebrates: *Daphnia magna* reproduction test, EU C.20/OECD 211. ECHA considers that the proposed study is appropriate to fulfil the information requirement of Annex IX, Section 9.1.5 of the REACH Regulation without further justification.

According to ECHA *Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment* (version 1.2., November 2012), Chapter R7b (Section R.7.8.5 including Figure R.7.8-4), if based on acute aquatic toxicity data neither fish nor invertebrates are shown to be substantially more sensitive, long-term studies may be required on both. There were no indications in the dossier from the short-term toxicity studies on aquatic species that the fish would be substantially more sensitive than aquatic invertebrates. In such case, according to the integrated testing strategy, the *Daphnia* study is to be conducted first. If based on the results of the long-term *Daphnia* study and the application of a relevant assessment factor no risks are observed (PEC/PNEC<1), no long-term fish testing may need to be conducted. However, if a risk is indicated, long-term fish testing may need to be conducted.

Therefore, pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH Regulation, the Registrant is required to carry out the proposed study using the registered substance subject to the present decision: Long-term toxicity testing on aquatic invertebrates (Annex IX, 9.1.5.; test method: *Daphnia magna* reproduction test, EU C.20/OECD 211).

Notes for consideration by the Registrant

ECHA notes that the Registrant has provided a waiver for a long-term toxicity study on fish with the following justification:

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attached in section 6.11.'.

ECHA notes that there is no short or long-term fish toxicity study conducted on the registered substance available in the registration dossier. ECHA considers that there is no convincing evidence available in the dossier that the fish would be substantially less sensitive than aquatic invertebrates. Once results of the proposed test on long-term toxicity to aquatic invertebrates are available, the Registrant shall revise the chemical safety assessment as necessary according to Annex I of the REACH Regulation. If the revised chemical safety assessment indicates the need to investigate further the effects on aquatic organisms, the Registrant shall submit a testing proposal for a long-term toxicity test on fish in order to fulfil the standard information requirement of Annex IX, 9.1.6. If the Registrant comes to the conclusion that no further investigation of effects on aquatic organisms is required, he shall update his technical dossier by clearly stating the reasons for adapting the standard information requirement of Annex IX, 9.1.6.

Due to the low solubility of the substance in water ECD Guidance Document on Aquatic Toxicity Testing of Difficult Substances and Mixtures, ENV/JM/MONO (2000)6 and ECHA Guidance, Chapter R7b, table R. 7.8-3 summarising aquatic toxicity testing of difficult substances should be consulted by the Registrant for choosing the design of the requested long-term ecotoxicity tests and for calculation and expression of the result of this test.

IV. Adequate identification of the composition of the tested material

The process of examination of testing proposals set out in Article 40 of the REACH Regulation aims at ensuring that the new studies meet real information needs. Within this context, the Registrant's dossier was sufficient to confirm the identity of the substance to the extent necessary for examination of the testing proposal. The Registrant must note, however, that this information has not been checked for compliance with the substance identity requirements set out in Section 2 of Annex VI of the REACH Regulation.

In addition, it is important to ensure that the particular sample of substance tested in the new studies is appropriate to assess the properties of the registered substance, taking into account any variation in the composition of the technical grade of the substance as actually manufactured. If the registration of the substance covers different grades, the sample used for the new study must be suitable to assess these.

Finally, there must be adequate information on substance identity for the sample tested and the grade(s) registered to enable the relevance of the studies to be assessed.

V. Information on right to appeal

An appeal may be brought against this decision to the Board of Appeal of ECHA under Article 51(8) of the REACH Regulation. Such appeal shall be lodged within three months of receiving notification of this decision. Further information on the appeal procedure can be found on the ECHA's internet page at http://www.echa.europa.eu/regulations/appeals. The notice of appeal will be deemed to be filed only when the appeal fee has been paid.

