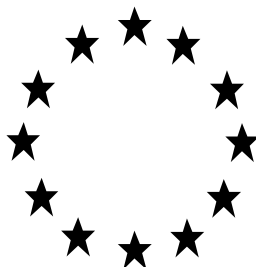


Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 concerning the making available on the market and use of biocidal products

**PRODUCT ASSESSMENT REPORT OF A BIOCIDAL
PRODUCT FOR THE MAJOR CHANGE AND
RENEWAL OF A NATIONAL AUTHORISATION**



Product identifier in R4BP	MASSOBLOCK BD
Product type(s):	14 (Rodenticide)
Active ingredient(s):	BROMADIOLONE
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1 Conclusion

The assessment presented in this report includes the major change submitted by the applicant according to Implementing Regulation 354/2013 in order to decrease the content of bromadiolone active substance at a level of 0.0029% w/w due to laid down in Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/1179 of 19 July 2016 amending, for the purposes of its adaptation to technical and scientific progress, Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council. In addition, this report also includes the conditions for the renewal of the active substance, according Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1380 of 25 July 2017.

This product is identical to AGROBLOCK BD-3. A letter of access has been submitted in order to use the information/data.

The initial evaluation of the biocidal product MASSOBLOCK PLUS BD containing of bromadiolone active substance at a level of 0.005% w/w should be taken into account. As the content of active substance has been reduced, the Spanish Competent Authority requested to the applicant changed the product name in order not to mislead the user and for enforcement tasks.

It is concluded after evaluation of new data submitted that the ready-to-use product, MASSOBLOCK BD with the active substance bromadiolone, at a level of 0.0029% w/w, may be authorised for use as a rodenticide (product-type 14). Some of conclusions to the initial assessment remains valid and the new information provided by the applicant to support the decrease of active substance allow granting the authorisation.

Physical, chemical and technical properties remain valid to the initial evaluation other than the stability test. A new accelerated stability test has been submitted. However, no long-term stability test has been submitted, therefore a post-authorisation requirement should be included in the authorisation certificate.

The conclusions about physical hazards and methods for detection and identification remain valid to the initial evaluation and no new information has been submitted.

New efficacy data, semi-field and field trials, have confirmed that MASSOBLOCK BD is effective in the proposed areas of use, at the recommended dose rate.

According to Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/1179 the product MASSOBLOCK BD, with the active substance bromadiolone, at a level of 0.0029% w/w is classified as SPECIFIC TARGET ORGAN TOXICITY AFTER REPEATED EXPOSURE. CATEGORY 2 (STOT RE 2); H373 May cause damage to organs (blood) through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Risk assessment has been done with the new content of active substance.

The risk assessment for the environment has been performed for the intended uses indoors, outdoors around buildings and outdoor in open areas and waste dumps and sewers. Since the concentration of the active substance has been reduced, the new evaluation shows that the conclusions for the first evaluation remain valid.

Therefore MASSOBLOCK BD can be authorised as a rodenticide product against house mice (*Mus musculus*) and brown rats (*Rattus norvegicus*). It is to be used indoors, outdoors around buildings and outdoor in open areas and waste dumps and sewers. The users can be general public, professional and trained professional. It is a ready to use block bait to be used in tamper-resistant bait stations or anchored in sewers. The specific intended uses of the product are in section 2.4. of this assessment report.

Please, note that this assessment report includes all the uses requested by the applicant and assessed by ES CA, only as information for the concerned Member States.

Spanish CA only grants the use of MASSOBLOCK BD according to the table 5 included in this assessment report due to our national risk mitigation measures.

2 Summary of the product assessment

2.1 Administrative information

2.1.1 Identifier in R4BP

MASSOBLOCK BD

2.1.2 Manufacturer(s) of the product

Name of manufacturer	COMERCIAL QUÍMICA MASSÓ S.A
Address of manufacturer	P.I. Sant Pere Molanta – Av. Del Cadí, 7-9 08799 - Olèrdola – Barcelona SPAIN
Location of manufacturing sites	-

2.1.3 Manufacturer(s) of the active substance(s)

Active substance	Bromadiolone
Name of manufacturer	LABORATORIOS AGROCHEM S.L.
Address of manufacturer	C/ Tres Rieres, 10 08292 - Esparreguera (Barcelona) SPAIN
Location of manufacturing sites	C/ Tres Rieres, 10 08292 - Esparreguera (Barcelona) SPAIN

2.2 Composition and formulation

2.2.1 Qualitative and quantitative information on the composition

Table 1

Common name	IUPAC name	Function	CAS number	EC number	Content (%)
Bromadiolone	3-[(1RS,3RS;1RS,3SR)-3-(4'-bromobiphenyl-4-yl)-3-hydroxy-1-phenylpropyl]-4-hydroxycoumarin	Active substance	28772-56-7	249-205-9	0.0029
-	-	Non-active substances	-	-	-

- The product contains a bittering agent and a dye.
 - Information on the full composition is provided in the confidential annex (see chapter 4).
- According to the information provided the product contains no nanomaterial as defined in Article 3 paragraph 1 (z) of Regulation No. 528/2012

2.2.2 Information on the substance(s) of concern

No substance of concern was identified upon initial assessment (the application for authorisation was submitted and the assessment took place before the Biocidal Products Regulation 528/2012 entered into force).

2.2.2 Candidate(s) for substitution

No candidate for substitution was identified upon initial assessment (the application for authorisation was submitted and the assessment took place before the Biocidal Products Regulation 528/2012 entered into force).

Now that the Biocidal Products Regulation 528/2012 entered into force, the following substance(s) was/were identified as candidate(s) for substitution upon this renewal:

Bromadiolone does meet the exclusion criteria according to Article 5(1) BPR. Because the following exclusion criteria are met:

- toxic for reproduction category 1B
- persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic

And therefore, Bromadiolone does meet the conditions laid down in Article 10 BPR, and is consequently a candidate for substitution.

2.2.3 Type of formulation


Ready-to-use bait: wax block

2.3 Classification and Labelling according to the Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Table 2

Classification	
Hazard classes, Hazard categories	Hazard statements
Specific target organ toxicity after repeated exposure. Category 2 (STOT RE 2)	H373 May cause damage to organs (blood) through prolonged or repeated exposure

Table 3

Labelling		
	Code	Pictogram / Wording
Pictograms	GHS08	
Signal word		WARNING
Hazard statements	H373	May cause damage to organs (blood) through prolonged or repeated exposure
Supplemental hazard information	-	
Supplemental label elements	-	
Precautionary statements	P102	Keep out of reach of children
	P103	Read label before use.
	P280	Wear protective gloves.
	P314	Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.
	P501	Dispose of contents and/ or container as a hazardous waste to a registered establishment or undertaking, in accordance with current regulations.
Note	-	

2.4 Use(s) appropriate for further authorisation

In order to make proper use of the standard sentences for SPCs for rodenticides it is considered necessary to split the uses currently evaluated in Spain further down:

Table 4

Use(s) considered appropriate for authorisation after former assessment (uses currently evaluated in SPAIN)		Use(s) appropriate for further authorisation	
1	House mice and/or brown rats – general public– in and around buildings	1	House mice and Brown rats – general public - indoor
		2	Brown Rats – general public – outdoor around buildings
2	House mice and/or brown rats – professionals – in and around buildings	3	House mice – professionals - indoor
		4	Brown Rats – professionals - indoor
		5	House mice and/or Brown rats – Professionals – outdoor around buildings
3	House mice and/or brown rats – trained professionals – in and around buildings, open areas and waste dumps, sewers	6	House mice and/or Brown rats – trained professionals - indoor
		7	House mice and/or Brown rats – trained professionals – outdoor around buildings
		8	Brown Rats – trained professionals – outdoor open areas & waste dumps
		9	Brown Rats – trained professionals – sewers

Uses authorized in Spain according national Risk Mitigation Measures

Table 5

Use(s) considered appropriate for authorisation after former assessment (uses currently under authorisation in Spain)	Use(s) appropriate for authorisation in Spain according national Risk Mitigation Measures.
House mice and/or brown rats – general public– in and around buildings	House mice and brown rats – general public - indoor
	Rats – general public – outdoor around buildings
House mice and/or brown rats – professional– in and around buildings	House mice – professionals - indoor
	Brown rats – professionals - indoor
	Brown rats – Professionals – outdoor around buildings
House mice and/or brown rats – trained professional– in and around buildings, open areas, waste dumps and sewers	House mice and/or brown rats – trained professionals - indoor
	House mice and/or brown rats – trained professionals – outdoor around buildings
	Brown rats – trained professionals – outdoor open areas & waste dumps
	Brown rats – trained professionals – sewers

2.4.1 Use 1– House mice and brown rats– general public – indoor

Product Type(s)	14
Where relevant, an exact description of the use	Not relevant for rodenticides
Target organism(s) (including development stage)	<i>Mus musculus</i> (house mice) <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> (brown rats)
Field(s) of use	Indoor.
Application method(s)	Ready-to-use bait to be used in tamper-resistant bait stations
Application rate(s) and frequency	<p>Mice: bait boxes with 60g of product each 5-10m</p> <p>60g of bait per bait station. If more than one bait station is needed, the minimum distance between bait stations should be of 5-10m (5m in case of strong infestation and 10m in case of weak infestation).</p> <p>Rats: bait boxes with 100g of product each 5-10m</p> <p>100g of bait per bait station. If more than one bait station is needed, the minimum distance between bait stations should be of 5-10 meters (5m in case of strong infestation and 10m in case of weak infestation).</p>
Category(ies) of users	General public
Pack sizes and packaging material	<p>Maximum pack size of 300g.</p> <p>Number of packed bags per packaging: up to 300g Grams/kg of bait per packed bag: wax blocks of 10 to 100 g</p> <p>Packaging material: sachet, plastic bucket/ Tub, cardboard box and sacks.</p> <p>Material: PE or PP, HDPE.</p>

2.4.1.1 Use-specific instructions for use

. The bait stations should be visited [for mice - at least every 2 to 3 days at] [for rats - only 5 to 7 days after] the beginning of the treatment and at least weekly afterwards, in order to check whether the bait is accepted, the bait stations are intact and to remove rodent bodies. Re-fill bait when necessary.

2.4.1.2 Use-specific risk mitigation measures

- See section 2.5.2

2.4.1.3 Where specific to the use, the particulars of likely direct or indirect effects, first aid instructions and emergency measures to protect the environment

- See section 2.5.3.

2.4.1.4 Where specific to the use, the instructions for safe disposal of the product and its packaging

See section 2.5.4

2.4.1.5 Where specific to the use, the conditions of storage and shelf-life of the product under normal conditions of storage

See section 2.5.5

2.4.2 Use 2– Brown Rats – general public – Outdoor around buildings

Product Type(s)	14
Where relevant, an exact description of the use	Not relevant for rodenticides
Target organism(s) (including development stage)	<i>Rattus norvegicus</i> (brown rats)
Field(s) of use	Outdoor around buildings
Application method(s)	Ready-to-use bait to be used in tamper-resistant bait stations
Application rate(s) and frequency	Rats: bait boxes with 100g of product each 5-10m 100g of bait per bait station. If more than one bait station is needed, the minimum distance between bait stations should be of 5-10 meters (5m in case of strong infestation and 10m in case of weak infestation).
Category(ies) of users	General public
Pack sizes and packaging material	Maximum pack size of 300g. Number of packed bags per packaging: up to 300g Grams/kg of bait per packed bag: wax blocks of 10 to 100 g Packaging material: sachet, plastic bucket/ Tub, cardboard box and sacks. Material: PE or PP, HDPE.

2.4.2.1 Use-specific instructions for use

- Place the bait stations in areas not liable to flooding.
- Replace any bait in a bait station in which bait has been damaged by water or contaminated by dirt.
- The bait stations should be visited only 5 to 7 days after the beginning of the treatment and at least weekly afterwards, in order to check whether the bait is accepted, the bait stations are intact and to remove rodent bodies. Re-fill bait when necessary.

2.4.2.2 Use-specific risk mitigation measures

- See section 2.5.2

2.4.2.3 Where specific to the use, the particulars of likely direct or indirect effects, first aid instructions and emergency measures to protect the environment

- See section 2.5.3.

2.4.2.4 Where specific to the use, the instructions for safe disposal of the product and its packaging

- See section 2.5.4

2.4.2.5 Where specific to the use, the conditions of storage and shelf-life of the product under normal conditions of storage

- See section 2.5.5

2.4.3 Use 4- House mice – professionals – indoor

Product Type(s)	14
Where relevant, an exact description of the use	Not relevant for rodenticides

Target organism(s) (including development stage)	<i>Mus musculus</i> (house mice)
Field(s) of use	Indoor.
Application method(s)	Ready-to-use bait to be used in tamper-resistant bait stations
Application rate(s) and frequency	Mice: bait boxes with 60g of product each 5-10m 60g of bait per bait station. If more than one bait station is needed, the minimum distance between bait stations should be of 5-10 meters (5m in case of strong infestation and 10m in case of weak infestation).
Category(ies) of users	Professionals
Pack sizes and packaging material	Minimum pack size of 3 kg. Number of packed bags per packaging: up to 10 kg. Grams/kg of bait per packed bag: wax blocks of 10 to 60 g. Packaging material: sachet, plastic bucket/ Tub, cardboard box and sacks. Material: PE or PP, HDPE.

2.4.3.1 Use-specific instructions for use

- The bait stations should be visited at least every 2 to 3 days at the beginning of the treatment and at least weekly afterwards, in order to check whether the bait is accepted, the bait stations are intact and to remove rodent bodies. Re-fill bait when necessary.
- Follow any additional instructions provided by the relevant code of best practice.

2.4.3.2 Use-specific risk mitigation measures

See section 2.5.2

2.4.3.3 Where specific to the use, the particulars of likely direct or indirect effects, first aid instructions and emergency measures to protect the environment

- When placing bait stations close to water drainage systems, ensure that bait contact with water is avoided.

2.4.3.4 Where specific to the use, the instructions for safe disposal of the product and its packaging

See section 2.5.4

2.4.3.5 Where specific to the use, the conditions of storage and shelf-life of the product under normal conditions of storage

See section 2.5.5

2.4.4 Use 4 – Brown Rats – professionals – indoor

Product Type(s)	14
Where relevant, an exact description of the use	Not relevant for rodenticides
Target organism(s) (including development stage)	<i>Rattus norvegicus</i> (brown rats)
Field(s) of use	Indoor.
Application method(s)	Ready-to-use bait to be used in tamper-resistant bait stations
Application rate(s) and frequency	Rat: bait boxes with 100g of product each 5-10m 100g of bait per bait station. If more than one bait station is needed, the minimum distance between bait stations should be of 5-10 meters (5m in case of strong infestation and 10m in case of weak infestation).
Category(ies) of users	Professionals
Pack sizes and packaging material	Minimum pack size of 3 kg. Number of packed bags per packaging: up to 10 kg. Grams/kg of bait per packed bag: wax blocks of 10 to 100 g. Packaging material: sachet, plastic bucket/ Tub, cardboard box and sacks. Material: PE or PP, HDPE

2.4.4.1 Use-specific instructions for use

- The bait stations should be visited only 5 to 7 days after the beginning of the treatment and at least weekly afterwards, in order to check whether the bait is accepted, the bait stations are intact and to remove rodent bodies. Re-fill bait when necessary.
- Follow any additional instructions provided by the relevant code of best practice.

2.4.4.2 Use-specific risk mitigation measures

See section 2.5.2

2.4.4.3 Where specific to the use, the particulars of likely direct or indirect effects, first aid instructions and emergency measures to protect the environment

- When placing bait stations close to water drainage systems, ensure that bait contact with water is avoided.

2.4.4.4 Where specific to the use, the instructions for safe disposal of the product and its packaging

See section 2.5.4

2.4.4.5 Where specific to the use, the conditions of storage and shelf-life of the product under normal conditions of storage

See section 2.5.5

2.4.5 Use 5 – House mice and/or brown rats – professionals – outdoor around buildings

Product Type(s)	14
Where relevant, an exact description of the use	Not relevant for rodenticides
Target organism(s) (including development stage)	<i>Mus musculus</i> (house mice) <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> (brown rats)
Field(s) of use	Outdoor around buildings
Application method(s)	Ready-to-use bait to be used in tamper-resistant bait stations
Application rate(s) and frequency	Rats: bait boxes with 100 g of product each 5-10m 100 g of bait per bait station. If more than one bait station is needed, the minimum distance between bait stations should be of 5-10 meters (5m in case of strong infestation and 10m in case of weak infestation).

	<p>Mice: bait boxes with 60 g of product each 5-10m.</p> <p>60 g of bait per bait station. If more than one bait station is needed, the minimum distance between bait stations should be of 5-10 meters (5m in case of strong infestation and 10m in case of weak infestation).</p>
Category(ies) of users	Professionals
Pack sizes and packaging material	<p>Minimum pack size of 3 kg.</p> <p>Number of packed bags per packaging: up to 10 kg. Grams/kg of bait per packed bag: wax blocks of 10 to 100 g Packaging material: sachet, plastic bucket/ Tub, cardboard box and sacks. Material: PE or PP, HDPE.</p>

2.4.5.1 Use-specific instructions for use

- Protect bait from the atmospheric conditions (e.g. rain, snow, etc.). Place the bait stations in areas not liable to flooding.
- The bait stations should be visited [*for mice* - at least every 2 to 3 days at] [*for rats* - only 5 to 7 days after] the beginning of the treatment and at least weekly afterwards, in order to check whether the bait is accepted, the bait stations are intact and to remove rodent bodies. Re-fill bait when necessary.
- Replace any bait in a bait station in which bait has been damaged by water or contaminated by dirt.
- Follow any additional instructions provided by the relevant code of best practice.

2.4.5.2 Use-specific risk mitigation measures

- Do not apply this product directly in the burrows

2.4.5.3 Where specific to the use, the particulars of likely direct or indirect effects, first aid instructions and emergency measures to protect the environment

- When placing bait stations close to surface waters (e.g. rivers, ponds, water channels, dykes, irrigation ditches) or water drainage systems, ensure that bait contact with water is avoided.

2.4.5.4 Where specific to the use, the instructions for safe disposal of the product and its packaging

See section 2.5.4

2.4.5.5 Where specific to the use, the conditions of storage and shelf-life of the product under normal conditions of storage

See section 2.5.5

2.4.6 Use 6 - House mice and/or brown rats – trained professionals – indoor

Product Type(s)	14
Where relevant, an exact description of the use	Not relevant for rodenticides
Target organism(s) (including development stage)	<i>Mus musculus</i> (house mice) <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> (brown rats)
Field(s) of use	Indoor
Application method(s)	- Ready-to-use bait to be used in tamper-resistant bait stations
Application rate(s) and frequency	Rats: bait boxes with 100-200 g per baiting point Mice: bait boxes with 60-100 g per baiting point
Category(ies) of users	Trained professionals
Pack sizes and packaging material	Minimum pack size of 3 kg. Number of packed bags per packaging: up to 10 kg. Grams/kg of bait per packed bag: wax blocks of 10 ,to 100 g Packaging material: sachet, plastic bucket/ Tub, cardboard box and sacks. Material: PE or PP, HDPE.

2.4.6.1 Use-specific instructions for use

- Remove the remaining product at the end of treatment period.
- Follow any additional instructions provided by the relevant code of best practice.

2.4.6.2 Use-specific risk mitigation measures

- Where possible, prior to the treatment inform any possible bystanders (e.g. users of the treated area and their surroundings) about the rodent control campaign
- Consider preventive control measures (e.g. plug holes, remove potential food and drinking as far as possible) to improve product intake and reduce the likelihood of reinvasion.
- To reduce risk of secondary poisoning, search for and remove dead rodents during treatment at frequent intervals, in line with the recommendations provided by the relevant code of best practice.
- Do not use the product as permanent baits for the prevention of rodent infestation or monitoring of rodent activities.
- Do not use the product in pulsed baiting treatments.
- This product shall only be used indoors and in places that are not accessible to children or non-target animals.

2.4.6.3 Where specific to the use, the particulars of likely direct or indirect effects, first aid instructions and emergency measures to protect the environment

- When placing bait points close to water drainage systems, ensure that bait contact with water is avoided.

2.4.6.4 Where specific to the use, the instructions for safe disposal of the product and its packaging

See section 2.5.4.

2.4.6.5 Where specific to the use, the conditions of storage and shelf-life of the product under normal conditions of storage

See section 2.5.5.

2.4.7 Use 7 – House mice and/or brown rats – trained professionals – outdoor around buildings

Product Type(s)	14
Where relevant, an exact	Not relevant for rodenticides

description of the use	
Target organism(s) (including development stage)	<i>Mus musculus</i> (house mice) <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> (brown rats)
Field(s) of use	Outdoor around buildings
Application method(s)	- Ready-to-use bait to be used in tamper-resistant bait stations
Application rate(s) and frequency	Rats: bait boxes with 100-200 g per baiting point Mice: bait boxes with 60-100 g per baiting point
Category(ies) of users	Trained professionals
Pack sizes and packaging material	Minimum pack size of 3 kg. Number of packed bags per packaging: up to 10 kg. Grams/kg of bait per packed bag: wax blocks of 10 to 100 g Packaging material: sachet, plastic bucket/ Tub, cardboard box and sacks. Material: PE or PP, HDPE.

2.4.7.1 Use-specific instructions for use

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Protect bait from the atmospheric conditions. Place the baiting points in areas not liable to flooding. - Replace any bait in baiting points in which bait has been damaged by water or contaminated by dirt. - Remove the remaining product at the end of treatment period. - Baiting points must be covered and placed in strategic sites to minimise the exposure to non-target species - Follow any additional instructions provided by the relevant code of best practice.

2.4.7.2 Use-specific risk mitigation measures

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Where possible, prior to the treatment inform any possible bystanders (e.g. users of the treated area and their surroundings) about the rodent control campaign. - Consider preventive control measures (plug holes, remove potential food and drinking as far as possible) to improve product intake and reduce the likelihood of reinvasion. - To reduce risk of secondary poisoning, search for and remove dead rodents during treatment at frequent intervals, in line with the recommendations provided by the relevant code of best practice. - Do not use this product as permanent baits for the prevention of rodent infestation or monitoring of rodent activities. - Do not use this product in pulsed baiting treatments. - Do not apply this product directly in the burrows.

2.4.7.3 Where specific to the use, the particulars of likely direct or indirect effects, first aid instructions and emergency measures to protect the environment

- When placing bait points close to surface waters (e.g. rivers, ponds, water channels, dykes, irrigation ditches) or water drainage systems, ensure that bait contact with water is avoided.

2.4.7.4 Where specific to the use, the instructions for safe disposal of the product and its packaging

See section 2.5.4

2.4.7.5 Where specific to the use, the conditions of storage and shelf-life of the product under normal conditions of storage

See section 2.5.5

2.4.8 Use 8 – Brown Rats – trained professionals – Outdoor open areas & waste dumps

Product Type(s)	14
Where relevant, an exact description of the use	Not relevant for rodenticides
Target organism(s) (including development stage)	<i>Rattus norvegicus</i> (brown rats)
Field(s) of use	Outdoor open areas Outdoor waste dumps
Application method(s)	- Ready-to-use bait to be used in tamper-resistant bait stations
Application rate(s) and frequency	Rats: bait boxes with 100-200 g per baiting point.
Category(ies) of users	Trained professionals
Pack sizes and packaging material	Minimum pack size of 3 kg. Number of packed bags per packaging: up to 10 kg. Grams/kg of bait per packed bag: wax blocks of 10 to 100 g Packaging material: sachet, plastic bucket/ Tub, cardboard box and sacks. Material: PE or PP, HDPE.

2.4.8.1 Use-specific instructions for use

- Protect bait from the atmospheric conditions. Place the bait stations in areas not liable to flooding.
- Replace any bait in baiting points in which bait has been damaged by water or contaminated by dirt.
- Remove the remaining product at the end of treatment period
- Baiting points must be covered and placed in strategic sites to minimise the exposure to non-target species
- Follow any additional instructions provided by the relevant code of best practice

2.4.8.2 Use-specific risk mitigation measures

- Where possible, prior to the treatment inform any possible bystanders (e.g. users of the treated area and their surroundings) about the rodent control campaign
- To reduce risk of secondary poisoning, search for and remove dead rodents during treatment at frequent intervals, in line with the recommendations provided by the relevant code of best practice.
- Do not use this product as permanent baits for the prevention of rodent infestation or monitoring of rodent activities.
- Do not use this product in pulsed baiting treatments.
- Do not apply this product directly in the burrows.

2.4.8.3 Where specific to the use, the particulars of likely direct or indirect effects, first aid instructions and emergency measures to protect the environment

- When placing bait points close to surface waters (e.g. rivers, ponds, water channels, dykes, irrigation ditches) or water drainage systems, ensure that bait contact with water is avoided.

2.4.8.4 Where specific to the use, the instructions for safe disposal of the product and its packaging

See section 2.5.4

2.4.8.5 Where specific to the use, the conditions of storage and shelf-life of the product under normal conditions of storage

See section 2.5.5

2.4.9 Use 9 – Brown Rats – trained professionals – Sewers

Product Type(s)	14
Where relevant, an exact description of the use	Not relevant for rodenticides
Target organism(s) (including development stage)	<i>Rattus norvegicus</i> (brown rats)
Field(s) of use	Sewers
Application method(s)	- Ready-to-use bait to be anchored or applied in bait stations preventing the bait from getting into contact with waste water.
Application rate(s) and frequency	Rats: bait boxes with 100-200 g per manhole
Category(ies) of users	Trained professionals
Pack sizes and packaging material	Minimum pack size of 3 kg. Number of packed bags per packaging: up to 10 kg. Grams/kg of bait per packed bag: wax blocks of 10 to 200 g. Packaging material: sachet, plastic bucket/ Tub, cardboard box and sacks. Material: PE or PP, HDPE.

2.4.9.1 Use-specific instructions for use

-Baits must be applied in a way so that they do not come into contact with water and are not washed away.
- Follow any additional instructions provided by the relevant code of best practice.

2.4.9.2 Use-specific risk mitigation measures

- [If national policy or legislation requires it] Place baits only in sewer systems which are connected to the sewage treatment plant.
- Do not use this product in pulsed baiting treatments

2.4.9.3 Where specific to the use, the particulars of likely direct or indirect effects, first aid instructions and emergency measures to protect the environment

- See section 2.5.3.

2.4.9.4 Where specific to the use, the instructions for safe disposal of the product and its packaging

See section 2.5.4

2.4.9.5 Where specific to the use, the conditions of storage and shelf-life of the product under normal conditions of storage

See section 2.5.5

2.5 General directions for use

2.5.1 Instructions for use

General Public:

- Read and follow the product information as well as any information accompanying the product or provided at the point of sale before using it.
- Prior to the use of rodenticide products, non-chemical control methods (e.g. traps) should be considered.
- Remove food which is readily attainable for rodents (e.g. spilled grain or food waste). Apart from this, do not clean up the infested area just before the treatment, as this only disturbs the rodent population and makes bait acceptance more difficult to achieve.
- Bait stations should be placed in the immediate vicinity where rodent activity has been observed (e.g. travel paths, nesting sites, feedlots, holes, burrows etc.).
- Where possible, bait stations must be fixed to the ground or other structures.
- [Do not open the sachets containing the bait - *where relevant for the bait formulation in the product*].
- Place bait stations out of the reach of children, birds, pets, farm animals and other non-target

animals.

- Place bait stations away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs, as well as from utensils or surfaces that have contact with these.
- Do not place bait stations near water drainage systems where they can come into contact with water.
- When using the product do not eat, drink or smoke. Wash hands and directly exposed skin after using the product.
- Remove the remaining bait or the bait stations at the end of the treatment period.

Professionals:

- Read and follow the product information as well as any information accompanying the product or provided at the point of sale before using it.
- Carry out a pre-baiting survey of the infested area and an on-site assessment in order to identify the rodent species, their places of activity and determine the likely cause and the extent of the infestation.
- Remove food which is readily attainable for rodents (e.g. spilled grain or food waste). Apart from this, do not clean up the infested area just before the treatment, as this only disturbs the rodent population and makes bait acceptance more difficult to achieve.
- The product should only be used as part of an integrated pest management (IPM) system, including, amongst others, hygiene measures and, where possible, physical methods of control.
- Consider preventive control measures (e.g. plug holes, remove potential food and drinking as far as possible) to improve product intake and reduce the likelihood of reinvasion.
- Bait stations should be placed in the immediate vicinity of places where rodent activity has been previously observed (e.g. travel paths, nesting sites, feedlots, holes, burrows etc.).
- Where possible, bait stations must be fixed to the ground or other structures.
- Bait stations must be clearly labelled to show they contain rodenticides and that they must not be moved or opened (*see section 5.3 for the information to be shown on the label*).
- When the product is being used in public areas, the areas treated should be marked during the treatment period and a notice explaining the risk of primary or secondary poisoning by the anticoagulant as well as indicating the first measures to be taken in case of poisoning must be made available alongside the baits.
- Bait should be secured so that it cannot be dragged away from the bait station.

- Place the product out of the reach of children, birds, pets and farm animals and other non-target animals.
- Place the product away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs, as well as from utensils or surfaces that have contact with these.
- When using the product do not eat, drink or smoke. Wash hands and directly exposed skin after using the product.
- If bait uptake is low relative to the apparent size of the infestation, consider the replacement of bait stations to further places and the possibility to change to another bait formulation.
- If after a treatment period of 35 days baits are continued to be consumed and no decline in rodent activity can be observed, the likely cause has to be determined. Where other elements have been excluded, it is likely that there are resistant rodents so consider the use of a non-anticoagulant rodenticide, where available, or a more potent anticoagulant rodenticide. Also consider the use of traps as an alternative control measure.
- Remove the remaining bait or the bait stations at the end of the treatment period.
- Do not open the sachets containing the bait.

Trained professionals:

- Read and follow the product information as well as any information accompanying the product or provided at the point of sale before using it.
- Carry out a pre-baiting survey of the infested area and an on-site assessment in order to identify the rodent species, their places of activity and determine the likely cause and the extent of the infestation.
- Remove food which is readily attainable for rodents (e.g. spilled grain or food waste). Apart from this, do not clean up the infested area just before the treatment, as this only disturbs the rodent population and makes bait acceptance more difficult to achieve.
- The product should only be used as part of an integrated pest management (IPM) system, including, amongst others, hygiene measures and, where possible, physical methods of control.
- The product should be placed in the immediate vicinity of places where rodent activity has been previously explored (e.g. travel paths, nesting sites, feedlots, holes, burrows etc.).
- Where possible, bait stations must be fixed to the ground or other structures.
- Bait stations must be clearly labelled to show they contain rodenticides and that they must not be moved or opened (*see section 5.3 for the information to be shown on the label*).
- When the product is being used in public areas, the areas treated should be marked during the treatment period and a notice explaining the risk of primary or secondary poisoning by the anticoagulant

as well as indicating the first measures to be taken in case of poisoning must be made available alongside the baits.

- Bait should be secured so that it cannot be dragged away from the bait station.
- Place the product out of the reach of children, birds, pets and farm animals and other non-target animals.
- Place the product away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs, as well as from utensils or surfaces that have contact with these.
- Wear protective chemical resistant gloves during product handling phase (glove material to be specified by the authorisation holder within the product information).
- When using the product do not eat, drink or smoke. Wash hands and directly exposed skin after using the product.
- The frequency of visits to the treated area should be at the discretion of the operator, in the light of the survey conducted at the outset of the treatment. That frequency should be consistent with the recommendations provided by the relevant code of best practice.
- If bait uptake is low relative to the apparent size of the infestation, consider the replacement of bait points to further places and the possibility to change to another bait formulation.
- If after a treatment period of 35 days baits are continued to be consumed and no decline in rodent activity can be observed, the likely cause has to be determined. Where other elements have been excluded, it is likely that there are resistant rodent so consider the use of a non-anticoagulant rodenticide, where available, or a more potent anticoagulant rodenticide. Also consider the use of traps as an alternative control measure.
- Do not open the sachets containing the bait

2.5.2 Risk mitigation measures:

General Public:

- Consider preventive control measures (plug holes, remove potential food and drinking as far as possible) to improve product intake and reduce the likelihood of reinvasion.
- Do not use anticoagulant rodenticides as permanent baits (e.g. for prevention of rodent infestation or to detect rodent activity).
- The product information (i.e. label and/or leaflet) shall clearly show that:
- The product shall be used in adequate tamper resistant bait stations (e.g. "use in tamper resistant bait stations only").
- Users shall properly label bait stations with the information referred to in section 5.3 of the SPC

(e.g. "label bait stations according to the product recommendations").

- Using this product should eliminate rodents within 35 days. The product information (i.e. label and/or leaflet) shall clearly recommend that in case of suspected lack of efficacy by the end of the treatment (i.e. rodent activity is still observed), the user should seek advice from the product supplier or call a pest control service.
- Search for and remove dead rodents during treatment, at least as often as bait stations are inspected.
- Dispose dead rodents in accordance with local requirements [*The method of disposal shall be described specifically in the national SPC and be reflected on the product label*].

Professionals:

- Where possible, prior to the treatment inform any possible bystanders (e.g. users of the treated area and their surroundings) about the rodent control campaign
- To reduce risk of secondary poisoning, search for and remove dead rodents at frequent intervals during treatment (e.g. at least twice a week).
- Products shall not be used beyond 35 days without an evaluation of the state of the infestation and of the efficacy of the treatment.
- Do not use baits containing anticoagulant active substances as permanent baits for the prevention of rodent infestation or monitoring of rodent activities.
- The product information (i.e. label and/or leaflet) shall clearly show that:
the product shall not be supplied to the general public (e.g. "for professionals only").
the product shall be used in adequate tamper resistant bait stations (e.g. "use in tamper resistant bait stations only").
users shall properly label bait stations with the information referred to in section 5.3 of the SPC (e.g. label bait stations according to the product recommendations").
- Using this product should eliminate rodents within 35 days. The product information (i.e. label and/or leaflet) shall clearly recommend that in case of suspected lack of efficacy by the end of the treatment (i.e. rodent activity is still observed), the user should seek advice from the product supplier or call a pest control service
- Do not wash the bait stations with water between applications.
- Dispose dead rodents in accordance with local requirements [*The method of disposal shall be described specifically in the national SPC and be reflected on the product label*]

Trained Professionals:

- Where possible, prior to the treatment inform any possible bystanders about the rodent control campaign
- The product information (i.e. label and/or leaflet) shall clearly show that the product shall only be supplied to trained professional users holding certification demonstrating compliance with the applicable training requirements (e.g. "for trained professionals only").
- Do not use in areas where resistance to the active substance can be suspected.
- Products shall not be used beyond 35 days without an evaluation of the state of the infestation and of the efficacy of the treatment
- Do not rotate the use of different anticoagulants with comparable or weaker potency for resistance management purposes. For rotational use, consider using a non-anticoagulant rodenticide, if available, or a more potent anticoagulant.
- Do not wash the bait stations or utensils used in covered and protected bait points with water between applications.
- Dispose dead rodents in accordance with local requirements [*The method of disposal shall be described specifically in the national SPC and be reflected on the product label*].

2.5.3 Particulars of likely direct or indirect effects, first aid instructions and emergency measures to protect the environment

- This product contains an anticoagulant substance. If ingested, symptoms, which may be delayed, may include nosebleed and bleeding gums. In severe cases, there may be bruising and blood present in the faeces or urine.
- Antidote: Vitamin K1 administered by medical/veterinary personnel only.
- In case of:
 - Dermal exposure, wash skin with water and then with water and soap.
 - Eye exposure, always check for and remove contact lenses, rinse eyes with eyes-rinse liquid or water, keep eyes lids open at least 10 minutes.
 - Oral exposure, rinse mouth carefully with water. Never give anything by mouth to unconscious person. Do not provoke vomiting. If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show the product's container or label [*insert country specific information*]. Contact a veterinary surgeon in case of ingestion by a pet [*insert country specific information*]
- Bait stations must be labelled with the following information: "do not move or open"; "contains a rodenticide"; "product name or authorisation number"; "active substance(s)" and "in case of incident, call a poison centre [*insert national phone number*]"

- Hazardous to wildlife.

2.5.4 Instructions for safe disposal of the product and its packaging

- At the end of the treatment, dispose the uneaten bait and the packaging in accordance with local requirements [*The method of disposal shall be described specifically in the national SPC and be reflected on the product label*].
- Use of gloves is recommended.

2.5.5 Conditions of storage and shelf-life of the product under normal conditions of storage

- Store in a dry, cool and well ventilated place. Keep the container closed and away from direct sunlight.
- Store in places prevented from the access of children, birds, pets and farm animals.
- Shelf life: two years

2.5.6 Other information

- Because of their delayed mode of action, anticoagulant rodenticides take from 4 to 10 days to be effective after consumption of the bait.
- Rodents can be disease carriers. Do not touch dead rodents with bare hands, use gloves or use tools such as tongs when disposing them.
- For general public: The package of the product should be fitted with a tactile warning
- This product contains a bittering agent and a dye.

Post-authorisation requirements:

- Long-term stability test within 2 years.

3 Assessment of the product

3.1 Use(s) considered appropriate for authorisation after former assessment (uses evaluated by Spain)

3.1.1 Use 1 – House mice and/or brown rats – general public– in and around buildings.

Product Type(s)	14
Where relevant, an exact description of the use	Rodenticide
Target organism(s) (including development stage)	<i>Mus musculus</i> (house mice) <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> (brown rats)
Field(s) of use	In and around buildings
Application method(s)	The biocidal product is ready to use block bait in bait stations.
Application rate(s) and frequency	Rats: bait boxes with 100 g (max) of product each 5-10m Mice: bait boxes with 50 g of product each 5-10m.
Category(ies) of users	General public
Pack sizes and packaging material	Blocks of 5, 10, 20, 25 and 28g in packing of 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 400,500 and 1000g

3.1.2 Use 2 – House mice and/or brown rats – professional– in and around buildings

Product Type(s)	14
Where relevant, an exact description of the use	Rodenticide
Target organism(s) (including development stage)	<i>Mus musculus</i> (house mice) <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> (brown rats)
Field(s) of use	In and around buildings
Application method(s)	The biocidal product is ready to use block bait in bait stations.
Application rate(s) and frequency	Rats: bait boxes with 100 g (max) of product each 5-10m In case of strong infestation 200g. (max) Mice: bait boxes with 50 g of product each 5-10m.
Category(ies) of users	Professional
Pack sizes and packaging material	Blocks of 5, 10, 20, 25 and 28g in packing of 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 400,500 and 1000g

3.1.3 Use 3 – House mice and/or brown rats – trained professional– in and around buildings, open areas, waste dumps and sewers.

Product Type(s)	14
Where relevant, an exact description of the use	Rodenticide
Target organism(s) (including development stage)	<i>Mus musculus</i> (house mice) <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> (brown rats)
Field(s) of use	In and around buildings, open areas, waste dumps and sewers.
Application method(s)	The biocidal product is ready to use block bait in bait stations.
Application rate(s) and frequency	Rats: bait boxes with 100 g (max) of product each 5-10m Mice: bait boxes with 50 g of product each 5-10m. Sewers: up to 100g per manhole. Blocks of 10, 20, 25 and 28g.
Category(ies) of users	Trained Professional
Pack sizes and packaging material	Blocks of 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 28g in packing of 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 20 and 25 Kg

3.2 Physical, chemical and technical properties

Accordingly, the conclusion from the former assessment regarding those physical, chemical and technical properties not provided remains valid. Nevertheless, the renewal is conditioned to the presentation of the long term stability test; therefore, a post-authorisation condition should be showed in the authorisation certificate.

3.3 Physical hazards and respective characteristics

Neither new data was not provided nor had new guidance to be taken into account for re-assessment. Accordingly, the conclusion from the former assessment regarding physical hazards and respective characteristics remains valid.

3.4 Methods for detection and identification

Neither new data was not provided nor had new guidance to be taken into account for re-assessment. Accordingly, the conclusion from the former assessment regarding methods for detection and identification remains valid.

3.5 Efficacy against target organisms

MASSOBLOCK BD is renewed with a decrease of the active substance concentration from 50 ppm to 29 ppm (major change) and a biocidal product name change (previously MASSOBLOCK PLUS BD) and is used against Brown rat (*Rattus norvegicus*) and House mouse (*Mus musculus*).

This product is identical to AGROBLOCK BD-3. A letter of access has been submitted in order to use the information/data.

In conclusion, according to the test provided included in the letter of access, ES CA consider that the biocidal product with 0.0029% w/w bromadiolone is effective against rats and mice indoor and outdoor.

3.6 Risk assessment for human health

3.6.1 Assessment of effects of the active substance on human health

Neither new data was not provided nor had new guidance to be taken into account for re-assessment. Accordingly, the conclusion from the former assessment regarding effects of the active substance on human health remains valid.

3.6.2 Assessment of effects of the product on human health

Neither new data was not provided nor had new guidance to be taken into account for re-assessment. Accordingly, the conclusion from the former assessment regarding effects of the product on human health remains valid.

3.6.3 Exposure assessment

Regarding human exposure no studies have been submitted; therefore, the exposure assessment has been performed using the paper "HEEG opinion on a harmonised approach for the assessment of rodenticides (anticoagulants)" agreed at TMII 2011. This paper was based on an operator exposure study conducted by CEFIC/EBPF Rodenticides Data Development Group (Chambers et al. (2004)) and the number of manipulations agreed at TMII 2010.

Identification of main paths of human exposure towards active substance(s) and substances of concern from its use in biocidal product

Summary table: relevant paths of human exposure		
Exposur	Primary (direct) exposure	Secondary (indirect) exposure

e path	Trained professional use	Professional use	General public (Non-professional)	Trained Professional use	Professional use	General public	Via food
Inhalation	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Dermal	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	n.a.
Oral	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	No	No	Yes	n.a.

List of scenarios

Summary table: scenarios			
Scenario number	Scenario	Primary or secondary exposure Description of scenario	Exposed group
1.	Application (deploying bait stations)	Primary exposure during the deploying the product or loading and placing wax blocks in the bait boxes. This scenario is taken in accordance to the HEEG Opinion (2012) where only potential dermal exposure is foreseeable, while inhalation exposure is assessed as negligible.	Trained professional , professionals and general public (non-professionals)
2.	Post-application (Cleaning) (refillable and sealed bait stations)	Primary exposure during cleaning/disposal of bait boxes. The operator emptied a loaded bait station containing wax block bait. As in the exposure scenario before, only potential dermal exposure is foreseeable, while inhalation exposure is assessed as negligible.	Trained professional , professionals and general public (non-professionals)
3.	Touching dead rodents	Secondary exposure: dermal contact with dead rodents. Adults may touch dead rodents and dispose them from the treated area. The contact with the products applied in bait stations or outdoors is considered an incidental exposure and therefore it will be very limited.	Bystanders (Adults)
4	Ingestion of bait by children	Secondary exposure: It is assumed that a child might ingest 5 g of the bait (a general assumption of poison centre specialists, what children would ingest, see CAR Difethialone, Norway 2007).	Bystanders (Children)

Professional exposure

Trained professional user (Pest Control Operator)

Scenario [1] – Application phase (loading bait)

Description of Scenario [1] – Trained Professional user (Pest Control Operator)		
<p>In this scenario the operator may be in contact with the bait when the bait is loaded and placed. Professional operators are bounded to use PPE during the development of the different tasks of their work. Inhalation exposure is considered as negligible during this scenario. Total systemic exposure has been assessed with (Tier 2) and without PPE (Tier 1).</p>		
	Parameters	Value
Tier 1	A.S. content of BP	0.0029%
	Dermal absorption:	0.36%
	Operator body weight:	60 kg
	Dermal exposure data	27.8 mg _{product} /manipulation (75 th percentile, data for 5 contacts, 100g)
	Number of manipulations during loading	20 (200 g per bait point)
	Number of loadings	60
Tier 2	PEE (gloves)	10% of permeability (90% of protection)

Calculations for Scenario [1]

Summary table: estimated exposure from trained professional users					
Exposure scenario	Tier/PPE	Estimated inhalation uptake	Estimated dermal uptake	Estimated oral uptake	Estimated total uptake
Scenario [1]	Tier 1 / No PPE	-	1.16 x 10 ⁻⁵ mg/kg bw/day		1.16 x 10 ⁻⁵ mg/kg bw/day
Scenario [1]	Tier 2 / PPE (gloves)	-	1.16 x 10 ⁻⁶ mg/kg bw/day	-	1.16 x 10 ⁻⁶ mg/kg bw/day

Scenario [2] – Cleaning/disposal phase

Description of Scenario [2] – Trained professional user (Pest Control Operator)		
<p>In this scenario the operator may be in contact with the bait when the bait is cleaned and/or disposed. Professional operators are bounded to use PPE during the development of the different tasks of their work. Inhalation exposure is considered as negligible during this scenario. Total systemic exposure has been assessed with (Tier 2) and without PPE (Tier 1).</p>		
	Parameters	Value
Tier 1	A.S. content of BP	0.0029%
	Dermal absorption:	0.36%

	Operator body weight:	60 kg
	Dermal exposure data	5.7 mg _{product} /manipulation (75 th percentile)
	Number of manipulations	15
Tier 2	PEE (gloves)	10% of permeability (90% of protection)

Calculations for Scenario [2]

Summary table: estimated exposure from trained professional users					
Exposure scenario	Tier/PPE	Estimated inhalation uptake	Estimated dermal uptake	Estimated oral uptake	Estimated total uptake
Scenario [2]	Tier 1 / No PPE	-	1.48 x 10 ⁻⁷ mg/kg bw/day		1.48 x 10 ⁻⁷ mg/kg bw/day
Scenario [2]	Tier 2 / PPE (gloves)	-	1.48 x 10 ⁻⁸ mg/kg bw/day	-	1.48 x 10 ⁻⁸ mg/kg bw/day

Combined scenarios

Summary table: combined systemic exposure from trained professional users				
Scenarios combined	Estimated inhalation uptake	Estimated dermal uptake	Estimated oral uptake	Estimated total uptake
Scenarios [1 + 2] – Tier 1	-	1.17 x 10 ⁻⁵ mg/kg bw/day	-	1.17 x 10 ⁻⁵ mg/kg bw/day
Scenarios [1 + 2] – Tier 2	-	1.71 x 10 ⁻⁶ mg/kg bw/day	-	1.71 x 10 ⁻⁶ mg/kg bw/day

Professional user

Scenario [1] – Application phase (loading bait)

Description of Scenario [1] -professional user		
<p>In this scenario the users may be in contact with the bait when the bait is loaded and placed. Professional users are bounded to use PPE during the development of the different tasks of their work. Inhalation exposure is considered as negligible during this scenario. Total systemic exposure has been assessed with (Tier 2) and without PPE (Tier 1).</p>		
	Parameters	Value
Tier 1	A.S. content of BP	0.0029%
	Dermal absorption:	0.36%
	Operator body weight:	60 kg

	Dermal exposure data	27.8 mg _{product} /manipulation (75 th percentile, data for 5 contacts, 100g)
	Number of manipulations during loading	10 (100 g per bait point)
	Number of loadings	5
Tier 2	PEE (gloves)	10% of permeability (90% of protection)

Calculations for Scenario [1]

Summary table: estimated exposure from professional users					
Exposure scenario	Tier/PPE	Estimated inhalation uptake	Estimated dermal uptake	Estimated oral uptake	Estimated total uptake
Scenario [2]	Tier 1 / No PPE	-	4.83 x 10 ⁻⁷ mg/kg bw/day	-	4.83 x 10 ⁻⁷ mg/kg bw/day
Scenario [2]	Tier 2 / PPE (gloves)	-	4.83 x 10 ⁻⁸ mg/kg bw/day	-	4.83 x 10 ⁻⁸ mg/kg bw/day

Scenario [2] – Cleaning/disposal phase

Description of Scenario [2] –professional user		
<p>In this scenario the operator may be in contact with the bait when the bait is cleaned and/or disposed. Professional users are bounded to use PPE during the development of the different tasks of their work. Inhalation exposure is considered as negligible during this scenario. Total systemic exposure has been assessed with (Tier 2) and without PPE (Tier 1).</p>		
	Parameters	Value
Tier 1	A.S. content of BP	0.0029%
	Dermal absorption:	0.36%
	Operator body weight:	60 kg
	Dermal exposure data	5.7 mg _{product} /manipulation (75 th percentile)
	Number of manipulations	5
Tier 2	PEE (gloves)	10% of permeability (90% of protection)

Calculations for Scenario [2]

Summary table: estimated exposure from professional users					
Exposure scenario	Tier/PPE	Estimated inhalation uptake	Estimated dermal uptake	Estimated oral uptake	Estimated total uptake
Scenario [2]	Tier 1 / No PPE	-	4.95 x 10 ⁻⁸ mg/kg bw/day	-	4.95 x 10 ⁻⁸ mg/kg bw/day

Scenario [2]	Tier 2 / PPE (gloves)	-	4.95×10^{-9} mg/kg bw/day	-	4.95×10^{-9} mg/kg bw/day
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Combined scenarios

Summary table: combined systemic exposure from professional users				
Scenarios combined	Estimated inhalation uptake	Estimated dermal uptake	Estimated oral uptake	Estimated total uptake
Scenarios [1 + 2] – Tier 1	-	5.33×10^{-7} mg/kg bw/day	-	5.33×10^{-7} mg/kg bw/day
Scenarios [1 + 2] – Tier 2	-	5.33×10^{-8} mg/kg bw/day	-	5.33×10^{-8} mg/kg bw/day

General Public (Non-professional) exposure

Although general public (non-professional) users are untrained and cannot be expected to wear protective clothing, the application pattern of Bromadiolone 0.0029% w/w block bait by the general public is similar to professional users. The use is occasional, for a short time in a single day and unlikely to be repeated more than once a week. However, in accordance with the CARs on various Rodenticides and proposed by HEEG (2010), fewer manipulations as compared to professionals are considered. Hence, 5 deploying and 5 cleaning manipulations are assumed for a non-professional user.

After use the product is likely to be collected and disposed of in a controlled way (as directed by product labels).

Scenario [1] – Application phase (loading bait)

Description of Scenario [1] – Public General (non-professional) user		
In this scenario the users may be in contact with the bait when the bait is loaded and placed. Public general (non-professional) user is bounded to use PPE during the development of the different tasks of product's application, although its use is recommended in the product's label. Inhalation exposure is considered as negligible during this scenario.		
	Parameters	Value
Tier 1	A.S. content of BP	0.0029%
	Dermal absorption:	0.36%
	Operator body weight:	60 kg
	Dermal exposure data	27.8 mg _{product} /manipulation (75 th percentile, data for 5 contacts, 100g)
	Number of manipulations during loading	10 (100 g per bait point)
	Number of loadings	5

Calculations for Scenario [1]

Summary table: estimated exposure from Public General (Non- professional user)					
Exposure scenario	Tier/PPE	Estimated inhalation uptake	Estimated dermal uptake	Estimated oral uptake	Estimated total uptake
Scenario [1]	Tier 1 / No PPE	-	4.83×10^{-7} mg/kg bw/day	-	4.83×10^{-7} mg/kg bw/day

Scenario [2] – Cleaning/disposal phase

Description of Scenario [2] – Public General (Non- professional user)		
<p>During the process of cleaning the bait boxes, Public General (Non- professional) users are expected to collect and dispose of unused or part-used products.</p> <p>After use the product is likely to be collected and disposed of in a controlled way (as directed by product labels).</p> <p>Bait stations for use by the general public may be supplied as lockable, tamper-proof units that may be refilled by the user.</p>		
	Parameters	Value
Tier 1	A.S. content of BP	0.0029%
	Dermal absorption:	0.36%
	Operator body weight:	60 kg
	Dermal exposure data	5.7 mg _{product} /manipulation (75 th percentile)
	Number of manipulations	5

Calculations for Scenario [2]

Summary table: estimated exposure from public General (Non- professional user)					
Exposure scenario	Tier/PPE	Estimated inhalation uptake	Estimated dermal uptake	Estimated oral uptake	Estimated total uptake
Scenario [2]	Tier 1 / No PPE	-	4.95×10^{-8} mg/kg bw/day	-	4.95×10^{-8} mg/kg bw/day

Combined scenarios

Summary table: combined systemic exposure from public General (Non- professional user)				
Scenarios combined	Estimated inhalation uptake	Estimated dermal uptake	Estimated oral uptake	Estimated total uptake
Scenarios [1 + 2] – Tier 1	-	5.33×10^{-7} mg/kg bw/day	-	5.33×10^{-7} mg/kg bw/day

Exposure of the general public

Scenario [3] - Dermal contact with dead rodents

Description of Scenario [3]		
It is assumed that adults may come into contact with 1 g of the bait on the exterior fur of dead rodents. However, since for hygiene reasons and prevention of diseases dead rodents should not be touched without gloves, a protection factor of 10 is considered appropriate. This assumption was considered as a real case, although it is known that PPE should only be considered for professional user.		
	Parameters	Value
Tier 1	Dermal contact	1 g
	A.S. content of BP	0.0029%
	Dermal absorption:	0.36%
	Operator body weight:	60 kg
Tier 2	PPE (gloves to remove the death rodents)	90%

Calculations for Scenario [3]

Summary table: systemic exposure from secondary exposure of general public					
Exposure scenario	Tier/PPE	Estimated inhalation uptake	Estimated dermal uptake	Estimated oral uptake	Estimated total uptake
Scenario [3]	Tier 1 / no PPE	-	1.74×10^{-6} mg/kg bw/d	-	1.74×10^{-6} mg/kg bw/d
Scenario [3]	Tier 2 / with PPE	-	1.74×10^{-7} mg/kg bw/d	-	1.74×10^{-7} mg/kg bw/d

Further information and considerations on scenario [3]

As it was mentioned before, Tier 2 was developed as a realistic case, considering that no one remove death rodents with their nude hands.

Scenario [4] - Ingestion of bait by children

Description of Scenario [4]		
As a general assumption of poison center specialists, it is assumed that children ingest 5 g of the bait. However, ingestion of 5 g represents a high overestimate of exposure, since baits contain a repellent (denatonium benzoate as bitter agent), which will most likely urge the children to spit the bait. Hence, applying the general assumption of ingestion of 10 mg of bait (TNsG default for a bait with repellent), a second assessment as Tier 2 was performed.		
	Parameters	Value

Description of Scenario [4]		
Tier 1	Amount of BP ingested	5 g
	Oral absorption	100%
	A.S. content of BP	0.0029%
	Children body weight:	10 kg
Tier 2	Amount of BP ingested, considering the presence of a bittering agent	10 mg

Calculations for Scenario [4]

Summary table: systemic exposure from secondary exposure of general public					
Exposure scenario	Tier/PPE	Estimated inhalation uptake	Estimated dermal uptake	Estimated oral uptake	Estimated total uptake
Scenario [4]	Tier 1 / no bittering agent	-	-	0.0145 mg/kg bw/d	0.0145 mg/kg bw/d
Scenario [4]	Tier 2 / with bittering agent	-	-	2.9×10^{-5} mg/kg bw/d.	2.9×10^{-5} mg/kg bw/d.

Further information and considerations on scenario [4]

As it was mentioned before, Tier 1 with bittering agent was developed as a realistic case.

Monitoring data

No monitoring studies have been submitted; therefore, the exposure assessment has been performed using the paper "HEEG opinion on a harmonised approach for the assessment of rodenticides (anticoagulants)" agreed at TMII 2011. This paper was based on an operator exposure study conducted by CEFIC/EBPF Rodenticides Data Development Group (Chambers *et al.* (2004)) and the number of manipulations agreed at TMII 2010.

Dietary exposure

Not applicable: non exposure is foreseen because the bait boxes with the product must not be placed where food, feeding stuffs, drinking water and surfaces where food is prepared an become contaminated.

Exposure associated with production, formulation and disposal of the biocidal product

Please see scenario [2] for professional exposure which is related with disposal of the biocidal product.

Aggregated exposure

No aggregated exposure is foreseeable since the product is not intended to be used under another biocidal product type.

Summary of exposure assessment

Scenarios and values to be used in risk assessment			
Scenario number	Exposed group	Tier/PPE	Estimated total uptake
1.	Trained Professional	Tier 1/ no PPE (unrealistic)	1.16×10^{-5} mg/kg bw/day
1.	Trained Professional	Tier 2/ PPE	1.16×10^{-6} mg/kg bw/day
1.	Professional	Tier 1/ no PPE	4.83×10^{-7} mg/kg bw/day
1.	Professional	Tier 2/ PPE	4.83×10^{-8} mg/kg bw/day
1.	General Public (Non Professional)	Tier 1/ no PPE	4.83×10^{-7} mg/kg bw/day
2.	Trained Professional	Tier 1/ no PPE (unrealistic)	1.48×10^{-7} mg/kg bw/day
2.	Trained Professional	Tier 2/ PPE	1.48×10^{-8} mg/kg bw/day
2.	Professional	Tier 1/ no PPE	4.95×10^{-8} mg/kg bw/day
2.	Professional	Tier 2/ PPE	4.95×10^{-9} mg/kg bw/day
2.	General Public (Non Professional)	Tier 1/ no PPE	4.95×10^{-8} mg/kg bw/day
3.	General public (bystander)	Tier 1/ no PPE (unlikely)	1.74×10^{-6} mg/kg bw/day
3.	General public (bystander)	Tier 2/ PPE (gloves)	1.74×10^{-7} mg/kg bw/day
4.	General public (Children)	Tier 1 (without efficient bitter agent)	0.0145 mg/kg bw/day
4.	General public (Children)	Tier 2 (with bitter agent)	2.9×10^{-5} mg/kg bw/day

3.6.4 Risk characterisation for human health

Risk for professional users

Reference values to be used in Risk Characterisation

Reference	Study	NOAEL (LOAEL) ($\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$ bw/day)	AF	Correction for oral absorption	Value ($\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$ bw/day)
AELshort-term	Teratogenicity study in rabbit	2	600	70%	0.0023
AELmedium-term	Subchronic study in rabbit	0.5	300	70%	0.0012
AELlong-term	-	-	-	-	-
ARfD	Not required	-	Not required	-	Not required
ADI	Not required	-	Not required	-	Not required

Risk for trained professional users (PCO)

Systemic effects

Task/ Scenario	Tier	Systemic NOAEL mg/kg bw/d	AEL mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake/ AEL (%)	Acceptable (yes/no)
Application / Scenario [1]	Tier 1	5×10^{-4}	1.2×10^{-6}	1.16×10^{-5}	967	No
	Tier 2			1.16×10^{-6}	97	Yes
Cleaning / Scenario [2]	Tier 1			1.48×10^{-7}	12	Yes
	Tier 2			1.48×10^{-8}	1	Yes

Combined scenarios

Scenarios combined	Tier	Systemic NOAEL mg/kg bw/d	AEL mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake/ AEL (%)	Acceptable (yes/no)
[1] + [2]	Tier 1	5×10^{-4}	1.2×10^{-6}	1.17×10^{-5}	979	No
	Tier 2			1.17×10^{-6}	98	Yes

Local effects

There is no need to consider local effects separately.

Conclusion

Exposure for professional operators applying 'Bromadiolone 0.0029% w/w block bait' for control of rats and mice is unacceptable without the use of PPE. On the other hand, when the product is applied under label recommendations and using PPE (gloves) no risk is foreseeable and therefore its use is considered acceptable.

Risk for professional users

Systemic effects

Task/ Scenario	Tier	Systemic NOAEL mg/kg bw/d	AEL mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake/ AEL (%)	Acceptable (yes/no)
Application / Scenario [1]	Tier 1	5×10^{-4}	1.2×10^{-6}	4.83×10^{-7}	40	Yes
	Tier 2			4.83×10^{-8}	4	Yes
Cleaning / Scenario [1]	Tier 1			4.95×10^{-8}	4	Yes
	Tier 2			4.95×10^{-9}	0	Yes

Combined scenarios

Scenarios combined	Tier	Systemic NOAEL mg/kg bw/d	AEL mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake/ AEL (%)	Acceptable (yes/no)
[1] + [2]	Tier 1	5×10^{-4}	1.2×10^{-6}	5.33×10^{-7}	44	Yes
	Tier 2			5.33×10^{-8}	4	Yes

Local effects

There is no need to consider local effects separately.

Conclusion

Exposure for professional users applying 'Bromadiolone 0.0029% w/w block bait' for control of rats and mice is considered acceptable with and without the use of PPE.

Risk for general public (non-professional users)

Systemic effects

Task/ Scenario	Tier	Systemic NOAEL mg/kg bw/d	AEL mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake/ AEL (%)	Acceptable (yes/no)
Application / Scenario [1]	Tier 1 /no PPE	5×10^{-4}	2.3×10^{-6}	4.83×10^{-7}	21	Yes
Cleaning / Scenario [2]	Tier 1 /no PPE			4.83×10^{-8}	2	Yes

Combined scenarios

Scenarios combined	Tier	Systemic NOAEL mg/kg bw/d	AEL mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake/ AEL (%)	Acceptable (yes/no)
[1] + [2]	Tier 1 /no PPE	5×10^{-4}	2.3×10^{-6}	5.33×10^{-7}	23	Yes

Local effects

There is no need to consider local effects separately.

Conclusion

An acceptable exposure is estimated for non-professional users applying 'Bromadiolone 0.0029% w/w block bait' in refillable bait stations to control rats and mice.

Risk for the general public

During application of Bromadiolone 0.0029% w/w block bait in rodent control, secondary exposure to the rodenticidal baits may occur. Two scenarios are considered, dermal contact with dead rodents by adults (Scenario [3]) and incidental ingestion of baits by children (Scenario [4]).

In Scenario [3], it is assumed that adults may come into contact with 1 g of the bait on the exterior fur of dead rodents (Tier 1). However, since for hygiene reasons and prevention of diseases dead rodents should not be touched without gloves. Hence, a protection factor of 10 is considered appropriate for this task (Tier 2).

Children are potentially the group most at risk as they may play inside or around buildings where baits have been placed. Infants could be exposed orally by chewing bait or touching their mouth with contaminated fingers. Two Tiers have been developed: Tier 1, considering that 5 g of the bait is ingested by children and Tier 2 (more realistic) where the presence of the bitter agent in the product is taken in account and hence, 10 mg of the product is assumed as ingested by children.

Systemic effects

Task/ Scenario	Tier	Systemic NOAEL mg/kg bw/d	AEL mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake/ AEL (%)	Acceptable (yes/no)
Dermal contact with dead rodents / Scenario [3]	Tier 1 /no PPE	2×10^{-3}	2.3×10^{-6}	1.74×10^{-6}	75.65	Yes
	Tier 2 /(gloves as PPE)			1.74×10^{-7}	7.56	Yes
Ingestion of bait / Scenario [4]	Tier 1 /no bitter agent			0.0145	6.3×10^5	No
	Tier 2 /bitter agent			2.9×10^{-5}	1260.8	No

Local effects

There is no need to consider local effects separately.

Conclusion

Estimation of secondary exposure scenarios demonstrates that there is no undue risk for adults when touching dead rodents with unprotected hands.

These estimations of secondary exposure scenarios demonstrate that children are at risk by ingesting 5 g or 10 mg of bait according to the estimations.

However, calculations are based on conservative assumptions which will likely overestimate actual exposure levels. Furthermore, baits are placed according to the risk mitigation measures proposed for anticoagulant rodenticides usually out of the reach of children in tamper-resistant bait stations.

Moreover, Bromadiolone 0.0029% w/w block bait baits contain a highly efficient bittering agent to prevent ingestion by children.

Risk for consumers via residues in food

Neither new data was not provided nor had new guidance to be taken into account for re-assessment.

Accordingly, the conclusion from the former assessment regarding risks for consumers via residues in food remains valid.

Risk characterisation from combined exposure to several active substances or substances of concern within a biocidal product

There is no risk derived from a combined exposure because indirect exposure via the environment is considered negligible, the product is not intended to be mixed with other biocidal or non biocidal products and the product does not contain any other active substance of concern.

Summary of risk characterisation

Scenario number	Exposed group	Tier/PPE	AEL mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake/ AEL (%)	Acceptable (yes/no)
1.	Trained professional user	Tier 1	1.2×10^{-6}	1.16×10^{-5}	967	No
1.	Trained professional user	Tier 2	1.2×10^{-6}	1.16×10^{-6}	97	Yes

Scenario number	Exposed group	Tier/PPE	AEL mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake mg/kg bw/d	Estimated uptake/ AEL (%)	Acceptable (yes/no)
1.	professional user	Tier 1	1.2×10^{-6}	4.83×10^{-7}	40	Yes
1.	professional user	Tier 2	1.2×10^{-6}	4.83×10^{-8}	4	Yes
1.	General public (non-professional)	Tier 1	2.3×10^{-6}	4.83×10^{-7}	21	Yes
2.	Trained professional user	Tier 2	1.2×10^{-6}	1.48×10^{-7}	40	yes
2.	Trained professional user	Tier 1	1.2×10^{-6}	1.48×10^{-8}	4	Yes
2.	professional user	Tier 1	1.2×10^{-6}	4.95×10^{-8}	4	Yes
2	Professional user	Tier 2	1.2×10^{-6}	4.95×10^{-9}	0	Yes
2.	General public (Non-professional)	Tier 1	2.3×10^{-6}	4.83×10^{-8}	21	Yes
3.	General public (bystander)	Tier 1	2.3×10^{-6}	1.74×10^{-6}	76	Yes
3.	General public (bystander)	Tier 2	2.3×10^{-6}	1.74×10^{-7}	8	Yes
4.	General public (Children)	Tier 1 (without efficient bitter agent)	2.3×10^{-6}	0.0145	6.30×10^5	No
4.	General public (Children)	Tier 2 (with bitter agent)	2.3×10^{-6}	2.9×10^{-5}	1261	No

3.7 Risk assessment for animal health

Neither new data was not provided nor had new guidance to be taken into account for re-assessment. Accordingly, the conclusion from the former assessment regarding animal health remains valid.

3.8 Risk assessment for the environment

Neither new data was not provided nor had new guidance to be taken into account for re-assessment. Accordingly, the conclusion from the former assessment regarding the environment remains valid.

3.8.1 Exposure assessment

General information

Assessed PT	PT 14
Assessed scenarios	Scenario 1: in and around buildings application, against brown rat. Scenario 2: waste dumps/landfills, against brown rat. Scenario 3: open areas Scenario 4: sewers, against brown rat.
ESD(s) used	EUBEES 2 Emission Scenario Document for rodenticides.
Approach	A consumption based approach has been used as a suitable protective measure at the local level.
Distribution in the environment	
Groundwater simulation	No
Confidential Annexes	No
Life cycle steps assessed	
Remarks	It has been only evaluate the use of this product against rats since it is the worst case.

[Include text here if relevant]

Emission estimation

Scenario [1]: in and around buildings

The worst-case application is for the rat. The scenario is for eradication on a farm. The scenario indicates 2 – 3 applications per year. Bait points for rats are set 5 – 10 m apart. For the purposes of aligning the scenario with human exposure, the scenario assesses exposure from use of 250 g of bait in each of the 10 bait points. The bait points are replenished 5 times in a 21-day programme. There is 1 % direct release of the bait to soil. The scenario presented by the applicant differs from the ESD worst case scenario only regarding the amount of bait in each station, i.e. 200 g instead of 250 g.

ESD worst case:

Input parameters for calculating the local emission			
Input	Value	Unit	Remarks
Scenario: use in bait points, in and around buildings			
Amount of product used at each refill/application	250	g	
Fraction of active substance in Product	2.9E-03	%	
Area directly exposed to active Substance	0.09	m ²	
Area indirectly exposed to active substance	550	m ²	
Number of emission days per Year	21	days	
Number of application sites	10	-	
Number of refills per site	5	-	
Fraction of active substance released directly to soil	0.01	-	
Depth of exposed soil	10	cm	
Fraction of active substance metabolised	21	%	
Bulk density of soil	1.7E03	Kg _{wwt} /m ³	

Applicant's worst case:

Input parameters for calculating the local emission			
Input	Value	Unit	Remarks
Scenario: use in bait points, in and around buildings			
Amount of product used at each refill/application	200	g	
Fraction of active substance in Product	2.9E-03	%	
Area directly exposed to active Substance	0.09	m ²	
Area indirectly exposed to active substance	550	m ²	
Number of emission days per Year	21	days	
Number of application sites	10	-	
Number of refills per site	5	-	
Fraction of active substance released directly to soil	0.01	-	
Depth of exposed soil	10	cm	
Fraction of active substance metabolised	21	%	

Bulk density of soil	1.7E03	Kg _{wwt} /m ³	
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Calculations for Scenario [1]

Calculations have been performed according to EUBEES, Emission document for biocides used as rodenticides

Direct release in the realistic worst case farm scenario based on bait in bait boxes has been calculated as following (equation 2 ESD):

ESD worst case

Parameter	Definition	Units	Value
Amount of product used at each refill/application	Q _{prod}	g	250
Fraction of active substance in product	F _{C_{prod}}	-	0,000029
Number of application sites	N _{sites}	-	10
Number of refills per site	N _{refil}	-	5
Fraction of active substance released directly to soil	F _{release, soil}	-	0,01
Local direct emission rate of active substance to soil from a campaign	E_{local}_{soil-campaing} = (Q_{prod} X F_{C_{prod}} X N_{sites} X F_{release, soil}) (2)	g	0.0036

Applicant's worst case

Parameter	Definition	Units	Value
Amount of product used at each refill/application	Q _{prod}	g	200
Fraction of active substance in product	F _{C_{prod}}	-	0,000029
Number of application sites	N _{sites}	-	10
Number of refills per site	N _{refil}	-	5
Fraction of active substance released directly to soil	F _{release, soil}	-	0,01
Local direct emission rate of active substance to soil from a campaign	E_{local}_{soil-campaing} = (Q_{prod} X F_{C_{prod}} X N_{sites} X F_{release, soil}) (2)	g	0,0029

The concentration in the soil around each bait box after direct release can be estimated by the equation (3) of the ESD for PT14:

ESD worst case

Parameter	Definition	Units	Value
Local direct emission rate of active substance to soil from a campaign	$E_{\text{soil, D-campaign}}$ (2)	g	0.0036
Area directly exposed to active substance	$AREA_{\text{exposed-D}}$	m ²	0.09
Depth of exposed soil	$DEPTH_{\text{SOIL}}$	m	0.1
Number of application sites	N_{sites}	-	10
Density of exposed soil	RHO_{soil}	kg/m ³	1700
Local concentration in soil due to direct release after a campaign [mg/kg]	$C_{\text{local soil-D}} = (E_{\text{local soil-D-campaign}} \times 10E3) / (AREA_{\text{exposed-D}} \times DEPTH_{\text{soil}} \times RHO_{\text{soil}} \times N_{\text{sites}})$ (3)	mg/kg	0.024

Applicant's worst case

Parameter	Definition	Units	Value
Local direct emission rate of active substance to soil from a campaign	$E_{\text{soil, D-campaign}}$ (2)	g	0.0029
Area directly exposed to active substance	$AREA_{\text{exposed-D}}$	m ²	0.09
Depth of exposed soil	$DEPTH_{\text{SOIL}}$	m	0.1
Number of application sites	N_{sites}	-	10
Density of exposed soil	RHO_{soil}	kg/m ³	1700
Local concentration in soil due to direct release after a campaign [mg/kg]	$C_{\text{local soil-D}} = (E_{\text{local soil-D-campaign}} \times 10E3) / (AREA_{\text{exposed-D}} \times DEPTH_{\text{soil}} \times RHO_{\text{soil}} \times N_{\text{sites}})$ (3)	mg/kg	0.019

The concentration in the soil around the bait box taking into account only disperses release can be estimated by the equation:

ESD worst case

Parameter	Definition	Units	Value
Amount of product used at each refill/application	Q_{prod}	g	250
Fraction of active substance in product	$F_{\text{c prod}}$	-	0.000029
Number of application sites	N_{sites}	-	10
Number of refills per site	N_{refil}	-	5

Fraction released indirectly to soil	$F_{\text{release-ID, soil}}$		0.73
Fraction released directly to soil	$F_{\text{release, soil}}$		0.01
Area indirectly exposed to rodenticide	$\text{AREA}_{\text{exposed-ID}}$	m^2	550
Depth of exposed soil	$\text{DEPTH}_{\text{SOIL}}$	m	0.1
Density of exposed soil	RHO_{soil}	kg/m^3	1700
Concentration in soil due to indirect (disperse) release after a campaign	$\text{Clocal}_{\text{soil-ID}} = ((Q_{\text{prod}} \times F_{\text{cprod}} \times N_{\text{sites}} \times N_{\text{refil}} \times 10^3 \times F_{\text{release,ID soil}} \times (1 - F_{\text{release,D soil}})) / (\text{AREA}_{\text{exposed-ID}} \times \text{DEPTH}_{\text{soil}} \times \text{RHO}_{\text{soil}} \times N_{\text{sites}})) (4)$	mg/kg	0.0028

Applicant's worst case

Parameter	Definition	Units	Value
Amount of product used at each refill/application	Q_{prod}	g	200
Fraction of active substance in product	F_{cprod}	-	0.000029
Number of application sites	N_{sites}	-	10
Number of refills per site	N_{refil}	-	5
Fraction released indirectly to soil	$F_{\text{release-ID, soil}}$		0.73
Fraction released directly to soil	$F_{\text{release, soil}}$		0.01
Area indirectly exposed to rodenticide	$\text{AREA}_{\text{exposed-ID}}$	m^2	550
Depth of exposed soil	$\text{DEPTH}_{\text{SOIL}}$	m	0.1
Density of exposed soil	RHO_{soil}	kg/m^3	1700
Concentration in soil due to indirect (disperse) release after a campaign	$\text{Clocal}_{\text{soil-ID}} = ((Q_{\text{prod}} \times F_{\text{cprod}} \times N_{\text{sites}} \times N_{\text{refil}} \times 10^3 \times F_{\text{release,ID soil}} \times (1 - F_{\text{release,D soil}})) / (\text{AREA}_{\text{exposed-ID}} \times \text{DEPTH}_{\text{soil}} \times \text{RHO}_{\text{soil}} \times N_{\text{sites}})) (4)$	mg/kg	0.00224

Total soil concentrations around the bait boxes are the sum of the soil concentrations caused by direct and indirect pollution of the soil:

ESD worst case

Total concentration immediately direct to the bait	$C_{\text{local soil}} = C_{\text{local soil-D}} + C_{\text{local soil-ID}}$	mg/kg	0.0265
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Applicant's worst case

Total concentration immediately direct to the bait	$C_{\text{local soil}} = C_{\text{local soil-D}} + C_{\text{local soil-ID}}$	mg/kg	0.0212
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Scenario [2]: waste dumps

This scenario covers control of rats and disposal of rats in waste dumps and landfills where the exposure is assumed to be higher than that described in the open area scenario. In some instances, applications of rodenticides to refuse dumps take place. Mostly the use is limited to occasions of population outbreaks of rats. Often the rodenticides are deployed around the perimeter of the dump, more than in the disposal area itself. The bait may be placed at regular places in special feeding stations in order to prevent other animals from eating the bait.

The worst-case application is for the rat. The scenario is for eradication on an open dump. The scenario indicates 7 applications per year, with 40 kg product per application. There is 90% release of the bait to soil and 365 emission days.

Input parameters for calculating the local emission			
Input	Value	Unit	Remarks
Scenario: use in landfills and dumps			
Amount of product used at each refill/application	40	Kg	
Fraction of active substance in product	29E-03	%	
Number of emission days for control at waste dumps	365	days	
Number of application	7	-	
Fraction of active substance released to soil	0.73	-	
Area exposed to rodenticide	10000	m ²	
Depth of exposed soil	10	cm	
Bulk density of soil	1.7E03	Kg _{wwt} /m ³	

Calculations for Scenario [2]

Calculation of $E_{\text{local soil}}$ (equation 17, ESD PT14)

Parameter	Definition	Units	Value
Amount of product used per application	Q_{prod}	g	40
Fraction of active substance in product	$F_{C_{\text{prod}}}$	-	0.000029
Number of application sites	N_{sites}	-	7
Fraction of active substance released directly to soil	$F_{\text{release, soil}}$	-	0.73
Local direct emission of active substance to soil from a campaign	$E_{\text{local soil-campaign}} = Q_{\text{prod}} \times F_{C_{\text{prod}}} \times N_{\text{sites}} \times F_{\text{release, soil}}$ (17)	kg	5.93E-03

Calculation of C local soil (equation 18, ESD PT14)

Parameter	Definition	Units	Value
Local direct emission of active substance to soil from a campaign	$E_{\text{local soil, campaign}}$ (2)	kg/m ³	5.93E-03
Area directly exposed to active substance	$AREA_{\text{exposed-D}}$	m ²	10000
Depth of exposed soil	$DEPTH_{\text{SOIL}}$	M	0.1
Density of exposed soil	RHO_{soil}	kg/m ³	1700
Local concentration in soil due to direct release after a campaign [mg/kg]	$C_{\text{local soil-D}} = (E_{\text{local soil-D-campaign}} \times 10^3) / (AREA_{\text{exposed-D}} \times DEPTH_{\text{soil}} \times RHO_{\text{soil}} \times N_{\text{sites}})$ (18)	mg/kg	0.0035

Scenario 3: open areas

This scenario covers control of rats and water voles in open areas such as around farmland, parks and golf courses where the aim is to prevent “nuisance” from burrows or “soil heaps” or due to public hygiene reasons. Rodenticides are also used to reduce impacts on game rearing or outside food stores (potato/sugar beet clams).

The main release to the environment is expected when impregnated grain is applied into rat holes. By a spoon or a small shovel, the product is normally poured approximately 30 cm into the rat holes, depending on the slope and general accessibility of the hole. The treated holes are closed by a stone, a piece of board or similar immediately after the application to prevent unintended exposure of children or non-target organisms (e.g. birds, cats and dogs).

A typical initial dose for a rat hole is 100-200 g grain.hole-1; and normally application is repeated twice with an interval of 5-6 days. Inspection of the holes to assess the effect of the control action is usually carried out some 5-6 days after application of the poison and again with similar intervals if repeated applications are necessary. The ES CA agrees with the selection of the PT 14 ESD, impregnated grains applied into the rat holes, to evaluate the risk of use of wax block in open areas, although in Spain the use of wax blocks are only allowed for use in tamper-resistant bait stations.

Input parameters for calculating the local emission			
Input	Value	Unit	Remarks
Scenario: use in landfills and dumps			
Amount of product used at each Refilling in the control operation	200	Kg	
Fraction of active substance in product	2.9E-03	%	
Number of emission days for control at open areas	6	days	
Number of application	2	-	
Fraction of product released to soil during application	0.05	-	
Fraction of product released to soil during use	0.20	-	
Soil volume exposed soil around the hole	0.0085	m ³	
Bulk density of soil	1.7E03	Kg _{wwt} /m ³	

Calculations for Scenario [3]

Calculation of $E_{local\ soil-campaign}$ (equation 9, ESD PT14)

Parameter	Definition	Units	Value
Amount of product used at each refillingg in teh control operation	Q_{prod}	g	200
Fraction of active substance in product	F_{Cprod}	-	0.000029
Number of application sites	N_{sites}	-	1
Number of refills per site	N_{refil}	-	2
Fraction of the product released to soil during application	$F_{release, soil, appl}$	-	0.05
Fraction of product released to soil during use	$F_{release, soil, use}$		0.2

Local emission of active substance to soil during a campaign	$E_{local_{soil-campaign}} = (Q_{prod} \times F_{c_{prod}} \times N_{sites} \times N_{refil} \times (F_{release, soil, appli} + F_{release, soil})) (9)$	g	2.90E-03
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Calculation of $C_{local_{soil-campaign}}$ (equation 10, ESD PT14)

Parameter	Definition	Units	Value
Local emission to soil from the episode	$E_{local_{soil-campaign}}$	g	5.00E-03
Soil volume exposed to rodenticide	$V_{soil_{exposed}}$ (eq. 9a ESD)	m^3	8.50E-03
Density of wet exposed soil	RHO_{soil}	kg/m^3	1700
Local concentration in soil after a campaign	$C_{local_{soil-campaign}} = (E_{local_{soil-campaign}} \times 10^3) / (V_{soil_{exposed}} \times RHO_{soil}) (10)$	mg/kg	2.01E-01

Scenario 4: Sewers

The product is applied in sewer systems by fixing, securing the wax block with wire and placed into the manhole in baiting station where the station is secured by tying to the wall a few centimetres above the bottom of the cesspool or hung from the roof of sewer tunnels. Animal carcasses and uneaten bait are not removed from sewer system after a campaign, with the exception of baiting stations where used.

The product is used as wax block between 10 to 50 g, containing 0.0029% a.i.

The amount of product used per application is often 25-50 g per manhole. In the applicant's own scenario a total use of 100 bait points each applied with 200 g of bait in a 21-day programme, which would result in a total amount of 50 kg product. It is assumed that in principle all of this bait is applied during the first week. This scenario is slightly less conservative than the ESD worst case, which is the one that will be used in the risk assessment.

According to the realistic worst-case scenario of the EUBEES ESD, in an area corresponding to 10 000 person equivalents (pe), it is assumed that 300 g baits are placed in 300 manholes. After 7 days 100 baits have been eaten and are replaced, after two weeks 50 more baits have been eaten and are replaced and after three weeks no baits have been eaten. This means that the highest emission will occur during the first week of a 21-day campaign and that the amount of the product would be 30 kg during one week. Regional background concentrations can be regarded as negligible, according to the ESD, due to the very local emissions of the substance, the physical characteristics of the substance and the low overall usage of the product.

The predicted environmental concentrations in surface water, groundwater, soil and sediment have been calculated using TGD II and the ESD and the results of the calculations are presented below. The main route of exposure for surface water, sediments and partly for soil is via the sewage treatment plant (STP) and the

effluent water from STPs. For groundwater exposure may also occur also through application of sewage sludge from the STP. According to the ESD a maximum release to the sewage system could come directly from the applied wax blocks, and indirectly from animal excrement and the bodies of dead animals (less the degraded fraction). According to the ESD the fraction of release (F_{release}) is $0.3 + (0.6 \times \text{metabolised fraction})$. /Unintended release is estimated for fraction of 0.3 to which should be added the non-metabolised excreted fraction (i.e. $0.6 - \text{the metabolised amount}$)/ Using the same value for the metabolised fraction as was used in the CAR (71%), the F_{release} calculated according to the ESD is therefore $0.3 + 0.6 \times 0.71 = 0.3 + 0.43 = 0.73$.

The concentrations of bromadiolone in the sewage water are calculated for 2 emission scenarios described by the ESD; worst case and normal use. In the normal use scenario an average of 60 kg product is used each year per 10 000 inhabitants, (although the use ranges widely from 0-600 kg/year). In the worst case scenario the maximum amount of 30 kg product is used in the first week of a campaign. The proposed use will be considered as a 3rd scenario.

The concentrations of bromadiolone in the sewage water is calculated according to the worst case propose by the applicant.

ESD worst case

Input parameters for calculating the local emission			
Input	Value	Unit	Remarks
Scenario: use in bait points, in and around buildings			
Amount of product used at each refill/application (Q_{prod})	30	kg	
Fraction of active substance in Product (F_{Cproduct})	2.9E-03	%	
Number of emission days (realistic worst case during control operation) T_{emission}	7	days	
Fraction of active ingredient metabolised (F_{metab})	0.71	-	
fjhgjFraction of active ingredient released (F_{released})	0.73	-	

ESD normal case

Input parameters for calculating the local emission			
Input	Value	Unit	Remarks
Scenario: use in bait points, in and around buildings			
Amount of product used at each refill/application (Q_{prod})	60	kg	

Fraction of active substance in Product ($F_{C_{product}}$)	2.9E-03	%	
Number of emission days (realistic worst case during control operation) $T_{emission}$	365	days	
Fraction of active ingredient metabolised (F_{metab})	0.71	-	
fjhgjFraction of active ingredient released ($F_{released}$)	0.73	-	

Applicant's worst case

Input parameters for calculating the local emission			
Input	Value	Unit	Remarks
Scenario: use in bait points, in and around buildings			
Amount of product used at each refill/application (Q_{prod})	20	kg	
Fraction of active substance in Product ($F_{C_{product}}$)	2.9E-03	%	
Number of emission days (realistic worst case during control operation) $T_{emission}$	7	days	
Fraction of active ingredient metabolised (F_{metab})	0.71	-	
fjhgjFraction of active ingredient released ($F_{released}$)	0.73	-	

Calculations for Scenario [4]

Calculation of $E_{local_{water}}$ (equation 1, ESD PT14)

ESD worst case

Parameter	Definition	Units	Value
Amount of product used in control operation one week	Q_{prod}	kg	30
Fraction of active substance in product	$F_{C_{prod}}$	-	0.000029
Number of emission days (realistic worst case during the control)	$T_{emission}$	-	7

operation)			
Fraction of active ingredient released	F_{release}	-	0.73
Local emission of active substance to waste during episode	$E_{\text{local water}} = (Q_{\text{prod}} \times F_{\text{c prod}} \times F_{\text{release}}) \times 10^6 / T_{\text{emission}} (1)$	mg/d	90.73

ESD normal case

Parameter	Definition	Units	Value
Amount of product used in control operation one week	Q_{prod}	kg	60
Fraction of active substance in product	$F_{\text{c prod}}$	-	0.000029
Number of emission days (realistic worst case during the control operation)	T_{emission}	-	365
Fraction of active ingredient released	F_{release}	-	0.73
Local emission of active substance to waste during episode	$E_{\text{local water}} = (Q_{\text{prod}} \times F_{\text{c prod}} \times F_{\text{release}}) \times 10^6 / T_{\text{emission}} (1)$	mg/d	3.48

Applicant's worst case

Parameter	Definition	Units	Value
Amount of product used in control operation one week	Q_{prod}	kg	20
Fraction of active substance in product	$F_{\text{c prod}}$	-	0.000029
Number of emission days (realistic worst case during the control operation)	T_{emission}	-	7
Fraction of active ingredient released	F_{release}	-	0.73
Local emission of active substance to waste during episode	$E_{\text{local water}} = (Q_{\text{prod}} \times F_{\text{c prod}} \times F_{\text{release}}) \times 10^6 / T_{\text{emission}} (1)$	mg/d	60.48

Fate and distribution in exposed environmental compartments

Identification of relevant receiving compartments based on the exposure pathway									
	Fresh-water	Freshwater sediment	Sea-water	Seawater sediment	STP	Air	Soil	Ground-water	Other
Scenario 1	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	
Scenario 2	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	
Scenario 3	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	
Scenario 4	Yes	yes	No	No	Yes	No	es	Yes	

Calculated PEC values

The Predicted Environmental Concentrations for this emission scenario are calculated according TGD II.

Summary table on calculated PEC values¹								
	PEC _s TP	PEC _{water}	PEC _{sed}	PEC _{seawater}	PEC _{seased}	PEC _{soil}	PEC _{GW} ²	PEC _{air}
	[mg/l]	[mg/l]	[mg/kg _{wwt}]	[mg/l]	[mg/kg _{wwt}]	[mg/kg]	[µg/l]	[mg/m ³]
Scenario 1	-	-	-			0.026	1.01x10 ⁻¹	
Scenario 2	-	-	-			0.0035	1.33x10 ⁻²	
Scenario 3						0.201	0.7	
Scenario 4	3.6 10 ⁻⁵	3.6 10 ⁻⁶	-	-	-	4.1 10 ⁻⁴	1.57 10 ⁻³	

Primary and secondary poisoning

Non-target vertebrates may be exposed to bromadiolone either directly by ingestion of exposed product (primary poisoning) or indirectly by ingestion of the carcasses of target rodents that contain residues of bromadiolone (secondary poisoning).

Assessment of secondary poisoning through the aquatic food chain is not performed for the following reasons: the risk assessment for the aquatic compartment indicates that there will be very low concentrations of bromadiolone in the aquatic compartment, and there was no risk identified of bromadiolone for surface water or sediment dwelling organisms. The justification for not performing an assessment of secondary poisoning via the terrestrial food chain is that secondary poisoning will be limited due to the small area that potentially is contaminated by bromadiolone around buildings and the limited number of earthworms inhabiting this area.

Primary and secondary poisoning of non target mammals and birds following use of products containing bromadiolone in sewers is considered negligible. Non-target mammals and birds are unlikely to enter sewers and feed on bait blocks in sewage systems. Rats that live underground in sewers are also unlikely to take bait

and deposit significant quantities in accessible places above ground, thus preventing exposure to non-target animals living above sewers. There is a possibility of secondary exposure if bromadiolone poisoned cockroaches or rats from sewers appear on the ground, but this is more of a concern and the issue is further considered in the in and around building scenario.

Due to the highly toxic nature of bromadiolone, primary and secondary poisoning presents a hazard to non target mammals and birds following use in and around buildings. The risk assessment of bromadiolone used in and around buildings is summarised by presenting PEC/PNEC ratios for long-term primary and secondary poisoning. The risks posed by use in open areas and on waste dumps can be considered as adequately covered by the same assessment.

For the acute situation, as was agreed at TMIII-06, PNEC derivation for birds and mammals will only apply to long-term effects and acute effects will only be evaluated on a qualitative basis. It is important to stress that this qualitative assessment is not intended to be used for the risk characterisation of primary and secondary poisoning of rodenticides and shall not be used for a comparative assessment. This comparison should only give a first indication of the acute toxicity of the substance.

Primary poisoning

Tier 1

	PEC (conc. in food, mg/kg)
Birds	29
Mammals	29

Tier 2 (for bait containing bromadiolone in and around buildings, step 2 (realistic worst case).

Non-target animal	PEC _{oral} = ETE, conc. of bromadiolone after one meal (mg/kg)	LD ₅₀ dose (mg/kg bw/d)	PEC _{oral} higher than LD ₅₀ (y/n)
Dog	0.92	1.3	n (TF)
Pig	0.16	1.3	n (TF)
Pig, young	0.50	1.3	n (TF)
Tree sparrow	7.25	134	n (TF)
Chaffinch	6.26	134	n (TF)
Wood pigeon	2.26	134	n (TF)
Pheasant	2.25	134	n (TF)

This comparison indicates that birds, pigs and mammals are not at risk for acute primary poisoning.

Tier 2 long-term risk assessment for bait containing bromadiolone in and around buildings. Very high risks for long-term primary poisoning of both mammals and birds are identified. However, long-term consumption of these quantities of bromadiolone bait is generally not realistic and should be regarded strictly as worst case.

Non-target animal	PEC = EC, concentration of bromadiolone after one day of elimination (mg/kg)
Dog	1.15
Pig	0.19
Pig, young	0.60
Tree sparrow	8.71
Chaffinch	7.56
Wood pigeon	2.73
Pheasant	2.72

Secondary poisoning

The tier 1 qualitative acute risk assessment of secondary poisoning based on measured residue levels (presented by the applicant) in target rodents indicates no risk for birds or mammals. However, this qualitative assessment is only an indication and is not intended to be used for the risk characterisation of secondary poisoning of rodenticides.

The tier 1 long-term risk assessment based on default (Task Force) residue levels in target rodents results in very high PEC/PNEC values for predatory birds and mammals.

	PNEC _{oral} (conc. in food)	PEC _{oral} Bromadiolone conc. in target rodent (mg/kg bw), ESD default values
Birds	0.0087 mg/L	13.9
Mammals	0.00019 mg/kg	13.9

3.8.2 Risk characterisation

Atmosphere

Emission to the atmosphere from this use is considered negligible.

Sewage treatment plant (STP)

Summary table on calculated PEC/PNEC values	
	PEC/PNEC _{STP}
Scenario 4	2.7 x 10 ⁻⁵

Aquatic compartment

Summary table on calculated PEC/PNEC values				
	PEC/PNEC _{water}	PEC/PNEC _{sed}	PEC/PNEC _{seawater}	PEC/PNEC _{seased}
Scenario 4	0.0094		-	-

Terrestrial compartment

Calculated PEC/PNEC values	
	PEC/PNEC _{soil}
Scenario 1	0.26
Scenario 2	0.035
Scenario 3	2.03
Scenario 4	0.004

Conclusion:

Scenario 1, 2 and 4: present ratios of PEC/ PNEC less than 1 so, an acceptable level of risk to soil are predicted from those scenarios. For open areas, the PEC/PNEC ratio is above 1.0 indicating that there are unacceptable risks to the terrestrial compartment when this product is used in the tunnels of open areas. However, the PEC/PNEC ratios calculated indicate a marginal risk based on the PEC that represents a localised “hotspot” of contamination near the entrance of each baited tunnel. According to the EUBEES 2 scenario, the use near the openings of the tunnels is covered by the assessment of the scenario “in and around buildings” with bait box. So, there is no unacceptable risk for the terrestrial compartment (including groundwater) when this product is used near the openings of the tunnels of the target rodents.

Groundwater

For scenario open areas the value obtained for ground water is higher than 0.1 µg/L but, considering the localised treated area in the tunnels, the risk for groundwater was not considered relevant

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For the acute situation, as was agreed at TMIII-06, PNEC derivation for birds and mammals will only apply to long-term effects and acute effects will only be evaluated on a qualitative basis. It is important to stress that this qualitative assessment is not intended to be used for the risk characterisation of primary and secondary poisoning of rodenticides and shall not be used for a comparative assessment. This comparison should only give a first indication of the acute toxicity of the substance.

Primary poisoning

In the **Tier 1 assessment** of primary poisoning it is assumed that the whole day's food requirement is satisfied by consumption of wax blocks, and therefore the concentration in food will be the same as the concentration of a.s. in the bait, 50 mg/kg. This is then compared to the long-term PNECs for birds and mammals. The resulting PEC/PNEC ratios in the table below reveal a high risk for both birds and mammals of long-term primary poisoning.

Table 2.8.4.5-1 PEC/PNEC ratios for primary poisoning – Tier 1 assessment

	PEC (conc. in food, mg/kg)	PNEC (conc. in food)	PEC/PNEC
Birds	29	0.0087 mg/l	3333
Mammals	29	0.00019 mg/kg	152632

Tier 2 acute qualitative risk assessment for bait containing bromadiolone in and around buildings, step 2 (realistic worst case).

Table 2.8.4.5-2 PEC values calculated for birds and mammals

Non-target animal	PEC _{oral} = ETE, conc. of bromadiolone after one meal (mg/kg)	LD ₅₀ dose (mg/kg bw/d)	PEC _{oral} higher than LD ₅₀ (y/n)
Dog	0.95	1.3	N
Pig	0.16	1.3	N
Pig, young	0.50	1.3	N
Tree sparrow	7.25	134	N
Chaffinch	6.264	134	N
Wood pigeon	2.26	134	N
Pheasant	2.25	134	N

This comparison indicates that birds and mammals are not at risk for acute primary poisoning.

Tier 2 long-term risk assessment for bait containing bromadiolone in and around buildings. Very high risks for long-term primary poisoning of both mammals and birds are identified. However, long-term consumption of these quantities of bromadiolone bait is generally not realistic and should be regarded strictly as worst case.

Table 2.8.4.5-3 PEC/PNEC ratios for primary poisoning - Tier 2 assessment long term

Non-target animal	PEC = EC, concentration of bromadiolone after one day of elimination (mg/kg)	PNEC dose (mg/kg bw/day)	PEC/PNEC
Dog	0.95	0.0000056	169643
Pig	0.16	0.0000056	28571
Pig, young	0.50	0.0000056	89286
Tree sparrow	7.25	0.0013	557692
Chaffinch	6.264	0.0013	4818
Wood pigeon	2.26	0.0013	1738
Pheasant	2.25	0.0013	1731

Secondary poisoning

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The **tier 1 long-term risk assessment** based on default residue levels in target rodents results in very high PEC/PNEC values for predatory birds and mammals.

Table 2.8.4.5-4 PEC/PNEC ratios for secondary poisoning – Tier 1 assessment

	PNEC_{oral} (conc. In food)	PEC_{oral} Bromadiolone conc. in target rodent (mg/kg bw), ESD default values	PEC/PNEC
Birds	0.0087 mg/l	13.9	1600
Mammals	0.00019 mg/kg	13.9	73200

Conclusion

Although the quantity of active substance has been reduced the quantitative risk assessments is that there are still, in some cases, very high unacceptable risks to non-target vertebrates via primary and secondary poisoning.

To minimise the likelihood of target rodents developing resistance to second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides, long-term deployment of baits as a preventative control measure is not recommended. Product labels additionally instruct users to retrieve and securely dispose of all unconsumed baits at the end of control programmes. Both these factors limit the opportunity for exposure and reduce the primary poisoning risk to small non-target animals. Provided that baits are deployed in accordance with the product labelling and other approved guidance on good practice, the primary poisoning risk to non-target mammals may be considered to be negligible.

The risk of secondary poisoning of bromadiolone to birds and small mammals is expected to be significantly reduced by restricting its use to treatment campaigns of limited duration, limiting access of non-target animals to the blocks and removing dead and moribund rodents during a baiting campaign to minimise the opportunity secondary exposure. These mitigation measures are described in good practice guidance documents, in training material for pest control professionals and on the labels of the products. Also, with the aim of harmonising the assessments of second generation anticoagulant rodenticides, a common approach to the use of risk mitigation measures has been agreed at the CA meeting in Nov 2016.

3.9 Assessment of a combination of biocidal products

A use with other biocidal products is not intended.

3.10 Comparative assessment

As bromadiolone is a Candidate for Substitution, a comparative assessment must be carried out as part of the evaluation process.

The Biocidal Products Committee of the European Chemicals Agency published its Opinion on Questions regarding the comparative assessment of anticoagulant rodenticides on 02 March 2017 (Document no. ECHA/BPC/145/2017).

The Opinion states that:

- In the absence of anticoagulant rodenticides, the use of rodenticide biocidal products containing other active substances would lead to an inadequate chemical diversity to minimize the occurrence of resistance in the target harmful organisms. These products also show some significant practical or economical disadvantages for the relevant uses.
- There is insufficient scientific evidence to prove that non-chemical alternative methods of rodent control are sufficiently effective according to the criteria established in agreed Union guidance with a view to prohibit or restrict the authorised uses of anticoagulant rodenticides.

The decision forms the basis of the COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2017/1532 of 7 September 2017 addressing questions regarding the comparative assessment of anticoagulant rodenticides in accordance with Article 23(5) of Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council..

On the basis of this comparative assessment, the authorisation of rodenticide products containing bromadiolone is justified.