



2<sup>nd</sup> International Akademie Fresenius Gene-Tox Conference

# Genotoxicity

Assessment, Regulation, Testing,  
Modelling and Prediction

+++ ONLINE CONFERENCE +++

3 and 4 November 2022

## Highlights

- Update of the GHS classification
- EFSA on their Pesticides Genotoxicity Database
- Genotoxicity assessment of biocides: update from ECHA
- Aneugenicity: guidance, in vivo follow-up testing, choice of methods and appropriate target organs
- Weight of evidence approach for assessing the genotoxic potential of titanium dioxide
- Nitrosamine impurities in drugs
- Revision of OECD Test Guideline 488
- In vitro micronucleus assay for nanomaterial testing: application of the OECD 487 protocol and suggested modifications
- Principle and scoring approaches of the Pig-a gene mutation assay
- Application and OECD validation of the ToxTracker assay
- In vitro 3D tissue models for safety assessment of cosmetics
- Use of QSAR: pesticides, pharmaceuticals, industrial chemicals and FCM



## The Experts

**Carol Beevers** Corteva Agriscience | **Annette Bitsch** Fraunhofer Institute for Toxicology and Experimental Medicine ITEM | **Kevin P. Cross** Instem | **Stephen D. Dertinger** Litron Laboratories | **Markus Frericks** BASF | **Susanne Glowienke** Novartis | **Rodolfo Gonella Diaza** knoell Germany | **Giel Hendriks** Toxys | **Naveed Honarvar** BASF | **David Kirkland** Kirkland Consulting | **Hans-Jörg Martus** Novartis | **Krista Meurer** BASF | **Jonas Nygren** European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) | **Paschalina Papadaki** European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) | **Juan Parra Morte** European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) | **Kerstin Reisinger** Henkel | **Paul A. White** Health Canada | **Christina Ziemann** Fraunhofer Institute for Toxicology and Experimental Medicine ITEM

Thursday, 3 November 2022

Timings are in  
Central European Time [CET](#).

## Morning Session 09:30 – 12:30 CET

Welcoming speech by the organisers and the Chairs

Krista Meurer, BASF, Germany

Paschalina Papadaki, European Chemicals Agency (ECHA),  
Finland

The presentation slots include sufficient time for questions  
and answers.

## Regulatory Developments

**Update of the GHS classification**

Jonas Nygren, European Chemicals Agency (ECHA), Finland

**Update on genotoxicity and biocides**

Paschalina Papadaki, European Chemicals Agency (ECHA),  
Finland

Short break

**Application of a weight of evidence approach to assessment  
of genotoxic potential – the example of titanium dioxide**

- Occurrence and current assessment of titanium dioxide
- Use of structured weight of evidence (WoE) approach for assessing the genotoxic potential
- Results and interpretation of observed genotoxic effects

David Kirkland, Kirkland Consulting, United Kingdom

**Assessment of aneugenicity and incorporation of this  
endpoint in risk assessments**

- Definition of aneugenicity and aneugens: target structures, dose-response and AOP
- Recent information and guidances
- In vivo follow-up testing, choice of methods and target organs
- Risk assessment for substances that exhibit aneugenicity but do not induce clastogenicity or gene mutations

Annette Bitsch and Christina Ziemann, both Fraunhofer  
Institute for Toxicology and Experimental Medicine ITEM,  
Germany

## Afternoon Session 13:30 – 17:15 CET

## Modelling and Prediction of Genotoxicity

**ICH M7 classification and involvement of QSAR methods**

- ICH M7 hazard assessments
- In silico systems and use of expert knowledge
- Case studies for ICH M7 classes 3, 4 and 5
- Compound-specific risk assessment and case studies for ICH M7 class 1 molecules

Susanne Glowienke, Novartis, Switzerland

**QSAR and read-across in the assessment of plant  
protection products**

Markus Frericks, BASF, Germany

**Use of (quantitative) structure-activity relationship  
(Q)SAR predictions for industrial chemicals and food  
contact material assessments**

- Strategies for identifying potentially mutagenic substances by combination of multiple (Q)SAR tools
- Support of experimental data or read across assessments with (Q)SAR predictions

Rodolfo Gonella Diaz, knoell Germany, Germany

Short break

## Quantitative Risk Assessment

**Quantitative interpretation of in vivo mutagenicity  
dose-response data for chemical prioritisation and risk  
assessment: recent progress and persistent challenges**

- Interpretation of genetic toxicity test data: paradigm shift from qualitative to quantitative
- Quantitative PoD (point-of-departure) metrics for chemical prioritisation and regulatory decision-making
- UFs (uncertainty factors) required for extrapolation below a PoD

Paul A. White, Health Canada, Canada

**Nitrosamin impurities in drugs**

- Developing assays for a better detection of nitrosamines: the EMA/Fraunhofer project
- Current approaches in developing structure-activity relationships for risk assessment

Kevin P. Cross, Instem, United States of America

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# Friday, 4 November 2022

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## Morning Session 09:30 – 12:30 CET

### Update and extension of the EFSA Pesticides Genotoxicity Database

- History and the existing database
- EFSA Strategy 2027
- Update and extension of the database
- The overall picture: related projects

Juan Parra Morte, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), Italy

## Development of Test Methods and Guidelines

### Feedback from the 8<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on Genotoxicity Tests (IWGT)

Hans-Jörg Martus, Novartis, Switzerland

#### Short break

### Revision of the OECD Test Guideline 488

- Transgenic rodent gene mutation: methodologies and role in regulatory testing strategies
- Background to the 2020 and 2022 updates to OECD 488
- CRO landscape for conducting these assays

Carol Beevers, Corteva Agriscience, United Kingdom

### Applications of the ToxTracker assay to investigate the mode-of-action of genotoxic compounds

- Mechanistic insight into genotoxicity
- Quantitative genotoxic dose response modelling
- OECD validation of ToxTracker

Giel Hendriks, Toxys, The Netherlands

## Afternoon Session 13:00 – 15:00 CET

### A status update: adaption of the in vitro micronucleus assay for nanomaterial testing

- OECD 487 protocol for testing the mutagenic potential of nanoparticles
- Application of the assay testing BaSO<sub>4</sub>, CeO<sub>2</sub>, Au<sub>5nm</sub>, Au<sub>30nm</sub> and SiO<sub>2</sub>: analytical method, control and results
- Conclusion and suggested modifications of the protocol

Naveed Honarvar, BASF, Germany

### In vitro 3D tissue models in genotoxicity testing

- Regulatory status
- Strategic fit in the context of cosmetic's safety assessment

Kerstin Reisinger, Henkel, Germany

### Key attributes of the rodent erythrocyte-based Pig-a gene mutation assay

- Pig-a assay principle and scoring approaches
- Mutant phenotype cell attributes that inform study design
- Brief overview of OECD Test Guideline 470

Stephen D. Dertinger, Litron Laboratories, United States of America

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- ✓ Hazard, exposure and risk assessment for human health
- ✓ Regulatory affairs
- ✓ Research and development
- ✓ Legal and general counselling

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- ✓ Chemical, biocide, agrochemical, pharmaceutical, cosmetic, food and feed, FCM industries
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