ANNEX

Inventory of Validated Alternatives to Animal Testing Applicable for Cosmetic Products and their Ingredients in all ICCR Regions

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Table with Internationally Accepted Alternative Test Methods for Cosmetic Products/Ingredients Safety Testing, successfully worked upon by ICATM

The present document provides an update to the Annex of the ICCR Report on the Inventory of validated Alternatives to Animal Testing applicable for cosmetic products and their ingredients in all ICCR Regions (Document reference: Alternatives to animal testing/Report (text)/Final-2013-11-26), and provides an inventory of methods that are recognized by ICCR as validated alternative methods applicable to cosmetics in ICCR member regions.

At the July 2019 ICCR-13 meeting in Montreal, Canada, the ICCR Steering Committee (SC) decided that the ICCR Chair of each respective ICCR cycle would coordinate an annual update of the table on the basis of work carried out by the International Cooperation on Alternative Test Methods (ICATM).

The Brazilian Health Regulatory Agency coordinated the annual update of the table in its role as ICCR-17 Chair, in collaboration with the Brazilian National Coordinator for the OECD TG Programme, from the National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology (INMETRO), and the Brazilian Center for Validation of Alternative Methods (BraCVAM), Brazil's ICATM member.

Future updates to the table will be coordinated by each respective ICCR Chair.

The table below summarizes the status of adoption of OECD test guidelines (TGs) on *in vitro* methods from 2011 to July 2023. The reader is referred to the OECD website for additional information¹.

¹ OECD Test Guidelines for Chemicals: https://www.oecd.org/chemicalsafety/testing/oecdguidelinesforthetestingofchemicals.htm

Human health	Test Method Description / OECD Testing
	Guideline (TG)
Skin corrosion	Transcutaneous Electrical Resistance (TER) test method, as included in OECD TG 430
Skin corrosion	Reconstructed human Epidermis (RhE) test methods, as included in OECD TG 431
Skin corrosion	In vitro Membrane Barrier Test Method for Skin Corrosion, as included in OECD TG 435
Skin irritation	Reconstructed human Epidermis (RhE) test methods, as included in OECD TG 439
Skin sensitisation	In Chemico Skin Sensitisation Assays addressing the Adverse Outcome Pathway key event on covalent binding to proteins, as included in OECD TG 442C
Skin sensitisation	Key-event based Test Guideline 442D: <i>In vitro</i> skin sensitisation assays addressing the AOP key event on keratinocyte activation
Skin sensitisation	In Vitro Skin Sensitisation assays addressing the Key Event on activation of dendritic cells in the Adverse Outcome Pathway for Skin Sensitisation, as included in OECD TG 442E
Skin absorption	Skin absorption: <i>in vitro</i> method, as included in OECD TG 428
Phototoxicity	3T3 Neutral Red Uptake Phototoxicity Test, as included in OECD TG 432
Phototoxicity	In chemico test method based on reactive oxygen species (ROS) and photostability, as included in OECD TG 495
Phototoxicity	In vitro Phototoxicity - Reconstructed Human Epidermis Phototoxicity test method, as included in OECD TG 498
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Bovine Corneal Opacity and Permeability (BCOP) test method, as included in OECD TG 437
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Isolated Chicken Eye (ICE) test method, as included in OECD TG 438
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Fluorescein Leakage (FL) test method, as included in OECD TG 460
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Short Time Exposure (STE) test method for the detection of chemicals causing serious eye damage and chemicals not requiring classification for serious eye damage or eye irritation, as included in OECD TG 491

Human health	Test Method Description / OECD Testing
	Guideline (TG)
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Reconstructed human Cornea-like Epithelium (RhCE) test methods for the detection of chemicals not requiring classification and labelling for eye irritation or serious eye damage, as included in OECD TG 492
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Reconstructed Human Cornea-like Epithelium (RHCE) Test Method for Eye Hazard Identification own of chemicals (substances and mixtures) not requiring classification (No Cat), requiring classification for eye irritation (Cat 2) and requiring classification for serious eye damage (Cat 1) according to the UN GHS ocular hazard categories, as included in OECD TG 492B
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	In vitro Macromolecular Test Method for Identifying i) Chemicals Inducing Serious Eye Damage and ii) Chemicals Not Requiring Classification for Eye Irritation or Serious Eye Damage, as included in OECD TG 494
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Vitrigel-Eye Irritancy Test Method for Identifying Chemicals not requiring Classification and Labelling for Eye Irritation or Serious Eye Damage, as included in OECD TG 496
Carcinogenicity	<i>In vitro</i> Syrian Hamster Embryo (SHE) Cell Transformation Assay (CTA) as included in OECD GD No. 214 ²
Carcinogenicity	<i>In vitro</i> Bhas 42 Cell Transformation Assay (CTA) as included in OECD GD no 231 ²
Genotoxicity	Bacterial Reverse Mutation Test as included in OECD TG 471
Genotoxicity	<i>In vitro</i> Mammalian Chromosome Aberration Assay as included in OECD TG 473
Genotoxicity	In vitro Mammalian Cell Gene Mutation Test using Hprt and xprt genes as included in OECD TG 476
Genotoxicity	In vitro Mammalian Cell Micronucleus Assay as included in OECD TG 487
Genotoxicity	In vitro Mammalian Cell Gene Mutation Tests Using the Thymidine Kinase Gene as included in OECD TG 490

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² These test methods were initially proposed to be included in Test Guidelines. It was later decided to include them in Guidance Documents.

Human health	Test Method Description / OECD Testing Guideline (TG)
Endocrine disruption	Performance-Based Test Guideline for Stably Transfected Transactivation <i>In Vitro</i> Assays to Detect Estrogen Receptor Agonists and Antagonists as included in OECD TG 455
Endocrine disruption	H295R Steroidogenesis Assay as included in OECD TG 456
Endocrine disruption	Stably Transfected Human Androgen Receptor Transcriptional Activation Assay for Detection of Androgenic Agonist and Antagonist Activity as included in OECD TG 458
Endocrine disruption	Performance-Based Test Guideline for Human Recombinant Estrogen Receptor (hrER) <i>In Vitro</i> Assays to Detect Chemicals with ER Binding Affinity as included in OECD TG 493

<u>Note</u>: It is up to the discretion of regulators from each ICCR jurisdiction to refer to the TGs in the table for regulatory purposes.

It should be noted that other OECD Documents could be useful for the cosmetic sector:

- (i) Guidance document on integrated approaches to testing and assessment (IATA) for serious eye damage and eye irritation, Series on Testing & Assessment No. 263.
- (ii) Guidance document on the reporting of defined approaches and individual information sources to be used within integrated approaches to testing and assessment (IATA) for skin sensitisation, Series on Testing & Assessment No. 256.
- (iii) Defined Approaches for Serious Eye Damage and Eye Irritation, as included in OECD TG 467. A Defined Approach (DA) consists of a selection of information sources (e.g in silico predictions, in chemico, in vitro data) used in a specific combination, and resulting data are interpreted using a fixed data interpretation procedure (DIP) (e.g. a mathematical, rule-based model).
- (iv) Defined Approaches on Skin Sensitisation, as included in OECD Guideline 497. A Defined Approach (DA) consists of a selection of information sources (e.g in silico predictions, in chemico, in vitro data) used in a specific combination, and resulting data are interpreted using a fixed data interpretation procedure (DIP) (e.g. a mathematical, rule-based model).