



Dermal Sensitization Quantitative Risk Assessment (QRA) For Fragrance Ingredients

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Primary vs. Secondary Prevention



Primary Prevention

- Induction
- Initial phase - Acquire Sensitization; the immunologic memory for a contact sensitizer is created
- Premise of RIFM testing and the basis for IFRA Standards on sensitization

Secondary Prevention

- Elicitation
- Manifestation of Sensitization; the specific memory migratory inflammatory cells, upon renewed contact with the contact sensitizer, will proliferate and induce a cascade of inflammatory events in the exposed skin area.

QRA: Why?



- Goal or ideal state is to prevent fragrance allergy in the general population
- Core strategy for primary prevention of dermal sensitization to fragrance ingredients in consumer products
- Prevent induction of sensitization to fragrance ingredients (primary prevention) more effectively than we have in the past

Lead with a rigorous scientific strategy

Dermal sensitization quantitative risk assessment (QRA) for fragrance ingredients

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Abstract

Based on chemical, cellular, and molecular understanding of dermal sensitization, quantitative risk assessment (QRA) can be conducted to determine safe use levels of fragrance ingredients. The QRA process consists of: (1) determination of benchmarks (no expected sensitization induction levels [NESIL], safe application factor [SAF], and (3) consumer exposure (CEL) calculation through product use. The risk assessment can be calculated and compared with the CEL. The ratio of the consumer exposure to the benchmark is the sensitization risk metric (SRM). This ratio must be calculated for the fragrance ingredients used in consumer products. The RIFM Expert Panel's recommendation for the dermal sensitization QRA approach described in this paper forms the fragrance industry's core strategy for primary fragrance ingredients. This methodology is used to determine global fragrance ingredients that are potential dermal sensitizers. This paper describes the principles of the recommended approach, provides information used in the dermal sensitization QRA approach for fragrance ingredients and presents key conclusions for refinement in the future.

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1. Introduction

Although some substances in common use today may have the potential to cause dermal sensitization, they can be formulated into consumer products at safe levels. This is also the case for fragrance ingredients.

IFRA provides the fragrance industry with risk management strategies on the use of fragrance ingredients includ-

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Dermal Sensitization QRA for Fragrance Ingredients

7 manuscripts including

- QRA method *et al.* - HRIPT scientific review & Api - HRIPT method
- Dose Metric

QRA paper is among the 10 most cited papers in Reg. Tox. & Pharm. for 2007-2008

7 peer reviewed publications

General Risk Assessment Principles



- **Acceptable Exposure Level (RfD or AEL)** Estimate of a daily exposure to an agent that is assumed to be without a health impact in the human population

$$\text{Acceptable Exposure Level (RfD or AEL)} = \frac{\text{NOEL}}{\text{Uncertainty Factor (UF)}}$$

QRA For Dermal Sensitization Fragrance Ingredients



Application to **induction** of skin sensitization - a threshold phenomenon

- **Step 1: Hazard Identification**
 - **Determine potential (hazard) to induce sensitization from:**
 - **Pre-clinical studies e.g. Guinea-Pig Test, Local Lymph Node Assay (LLNA)**
 - **Human data (historical) – Maximization, RIPTs, DPTs**
 - **Structure based predictive approach**

QRA For Dermal Sensitization Fragrance Ingredients

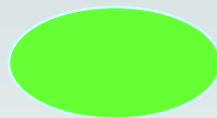


- **Step 2: Dose response assessment (What is the known benchmark and how to define it)**
 - **Takes into account key factors:**
 - **Definition of Known Benchmark - Determine the No-Expected-Sensitization Induction-Level (NESIL) based on the Weight of Evidence (WoE)**

Influence Of Area Exposed On Sensitization



62.5mg DNCB

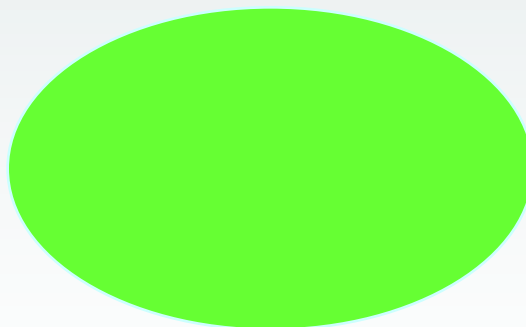


1.8 cm² Site

Sensitization Rate

85%

62.5mg DNCB



7.1 cm² Site

8%

Reviewed in *Contact Dermatitis* 1992, 27:281-286

Dose Response: NESIL Determination



- Establishment of scientifically sound NESILs is key to conduct of dermal sensitization QRA methodology
 - Weight of evidence approach to use of data
 - Uses all of the available scientifically robust data
 - Identifies studies inappropriate for consideration
 - Can be derived from animal and human data
 - Uses a defined dose metric - dose/unit area (mg/cm²)
 - Guidelines established for NESIL determination



WoE NESIL GUIDELINES

- **Guideline #1: Dose metric for exposure**
 - quantity of chemical per unit area of the skin (e.g. $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$)
- **Guideline #2: Hierarchy of human data**
- **Guideline #3: LOEL from historical human volunteer tests**
- **Guideline #4: Use of human volunteer data other than HRIPT**



WoE NESIL Guidelines

- **Guideline #5: Use of guinea-pig tests as secondary data sources**
- **Guideline #6: LLNA data only**
- **Guideline 7: Hierarchy of human versus animal data**
- **Guideline 8: Diagnostic Patch Test (DPT) data**

Sensitization Assessment Factor (SAF)



● Step 3: Calculate SAF

- **Extrapolation from controlled experimental situation to real life exposure scenarios**
 - Defined more effectively as the areas of assessment in extrapolating from experimental to real-life scenarios
 - Use of WoE approach to determine values for the defined areas of assessment
 - Decisions supported by peer-reviewed scientific literature references
 - Three areas of extrapolation
 - Inter-individual susceptibility
 - Matrix effects
 - Use considerations

SAF Application

- **Inter-individual variability**
 - Age
 - Gender
 - Ethnicity
 - Genetic effects
 - Sensitive subpopulations
 - Inherent dermal integrity
- **Default uncertainty factor of 10 in line with the uncertainty factor for this area applied in general toxicology**

Felter *et al.* 2002 *Contact Dermatitis* 47: 257-266



SAF Application

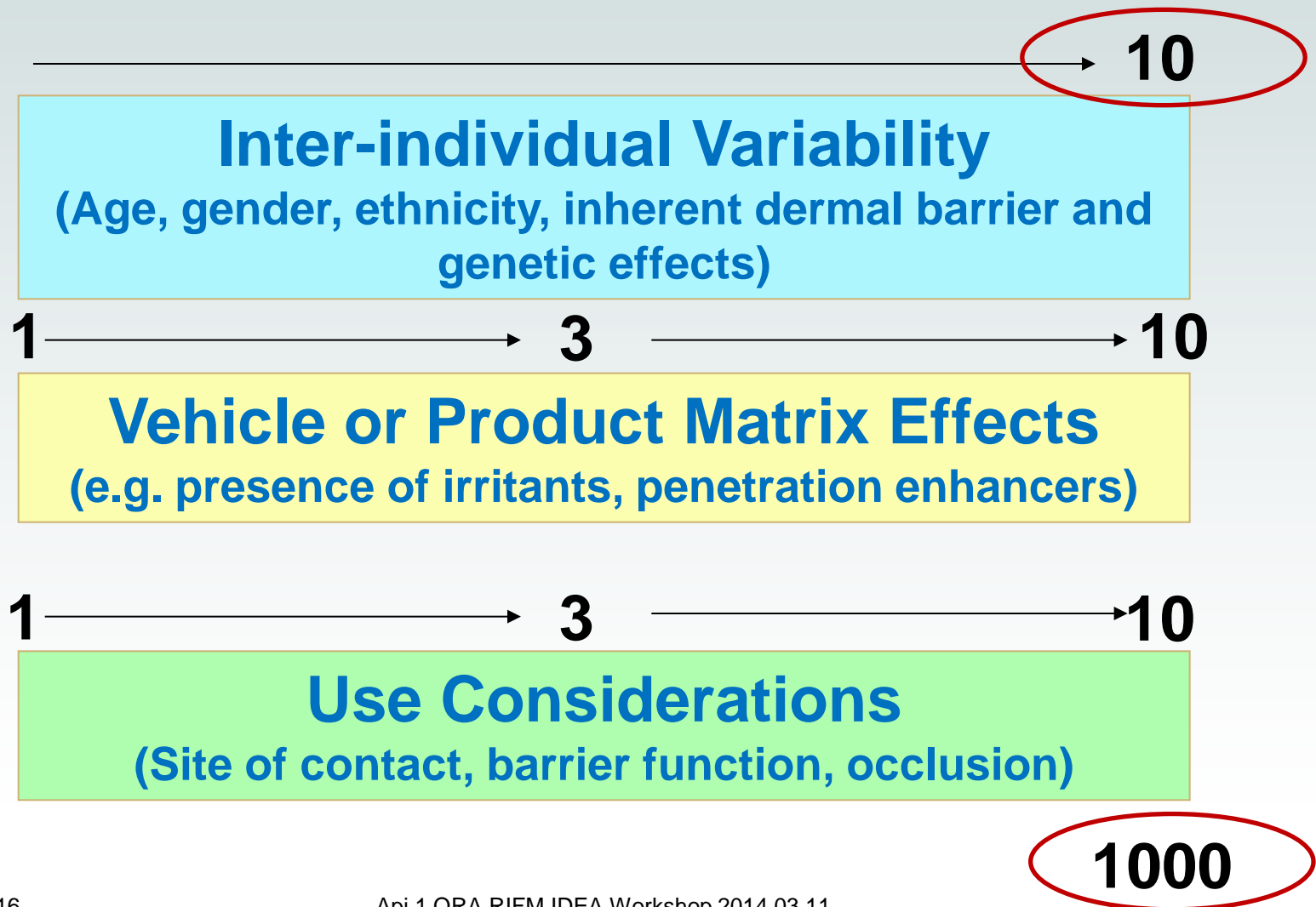
- **Vehicle or product matrix effects**
 - Product matrix to which consumers exposed in normal use vs. the vehicle in experimental NOEL studies
 - Most vehicles in experimental studies are simple
 - Consumer products are much more complex
 - Presence of irritants, penetration enhancers
 - HRIPT vehicle contains ethanol
- **Defined values of 1, 3 or 10 for different product types**

SAF Application

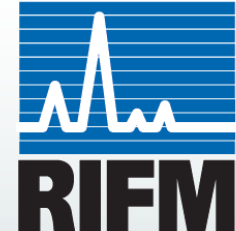
- **Use considerations**
 - **Site: part of the body exposed to the product and site of the body exposed for the generation of the experimental NOEL**
 - Mucosal membrane, scalp, underarm
 - **Barrier integrity: integrity of barrier function relative to that of the skin in the experimental NOEL condition**
 - Shaving, occupational dermatitis
 - **Occlusion: presence of occlusion decreases the possibility of evaporation, increases hydration**
- **Defined values of 1, 3 or 10 for overall evaluation of use considerations**



SAF Summary



Calculation Of Consumer Exposure (CEL)



- **Step 4: Exposure assessment**
 - **Understand human exposure through characterization of:**
 - Exposed populations
 - Magnitude of exposure under various conditions
 - Duration
 - Frequency
 - **Calculated as dose/unit area/per diem (mg/cm²/day)**
 - **Hierarchy established for use of exposure data:**
 - All sources of data considered
 - Measured data for same product type from different sources - most conservative value used unless rationale to contrary
 - Key studies in which participants used their own products
 - **Hierarchy established for human parameters data:**
 - Surface area measurements for same area of the body - smallest surface area used unless rationale to contrary

Step 5: Risk Characterization



NESIL

- Which pre-clinical and/or clinical data are available:
- ? Guinea-pig data
- ? Local Lymph Node Assay (EC₃ in $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$)
- ? Human data (historical) (HRIPT NOEL in $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$)
- Based on weight of evidence/default value in $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$

SAF

- Considerations for calculation of Sensitization Assessment Factor:
- For the product type the SAF is:
 - Inter-individual = 10
 - Product Matrix = 1-10
 - Use considerations = 1-10
- Overall SAF is the multiple of the three defined areas

Exposure

- Calculation for daily exposure to the contact allergen in the product type:
- = [Amount of contact allergen in product ($\mu\text{g}/\text{g}$ product) x Amount product applied (g)]/Surface area exposed (cm^2)
- Calculated consumer exposure in $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$

Risk Characterization For Fragrance Ingredients



- Acceptable Exposure Levels (AELs) to fragrance ingredients that are dermal sensitizers can be determined in specific real life consumer product types

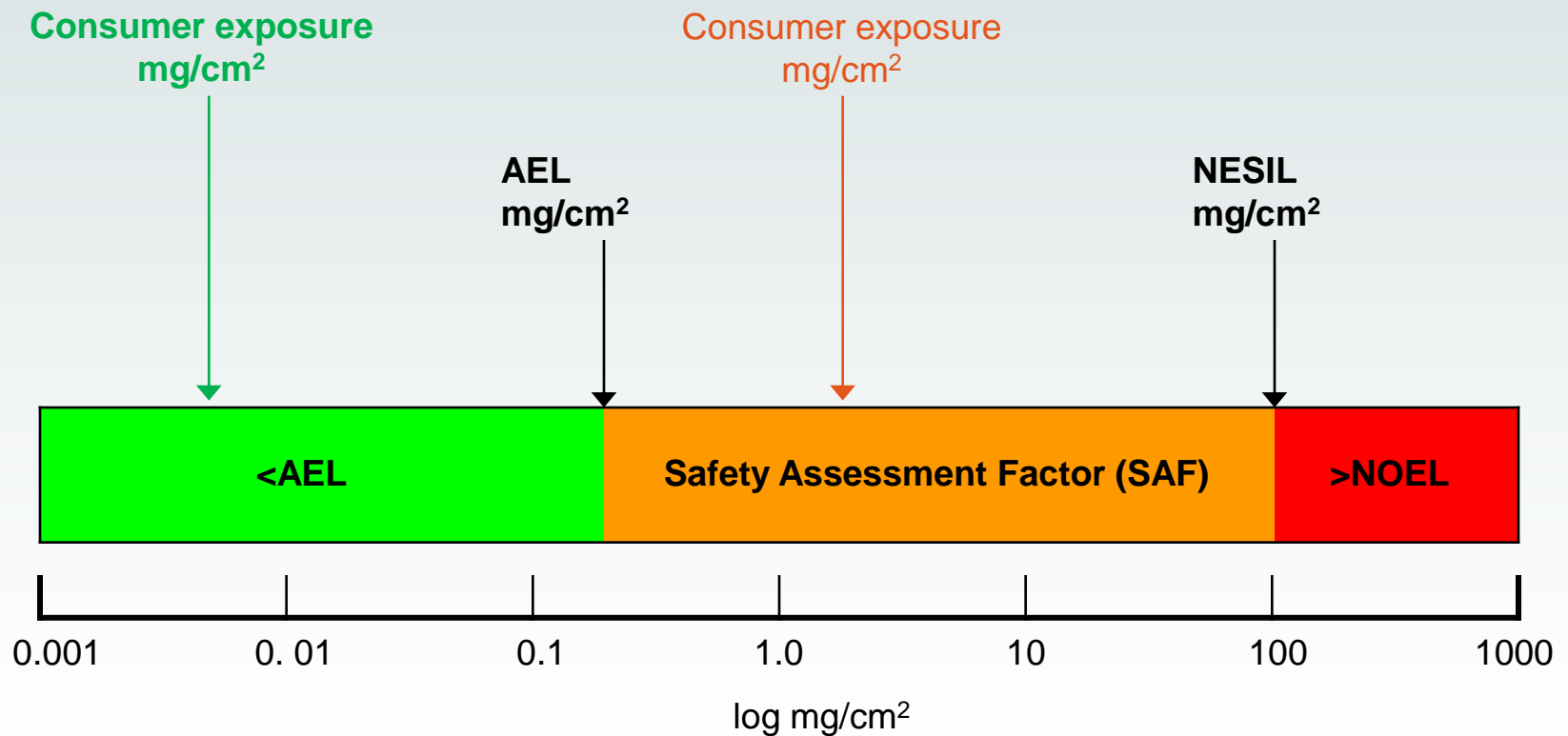
$$\text{Acceptable Exposure Level (AEL)} = \frac{\text{WoE NESIL}}{\text{Sensitization Assessment Factor (SAF)}}$$

- Comparison of Acceptable Exposure Levels (AEL) to calculated Consumer Exposure Level (CEL)

AEL ≥ CEL to be Acceptable



Risk Characterization





QRA Implementation Status

- **40th Amendment May 2006 – 4 materials**
- **42nd Amendment May 2007 – 28 Standards on 51 materials**
- **43rd Amendment July 2008 - 18 Standards on 31 materials**
- **44th Amendment May 2009 – 12 Standards**
- **45th Amendment June 2010 – 4 materials**
- **46th Amendment June 2011 – 6 materials**
- **47th Amendment Spring 2013 – 10 materials**



QRA Implementation Status

- All existing Standards based on dermal sensitization have been converted to QRA based Standards
- QRA Standards on individual materials have not been modified
 - As such restrictions on individual fragrance ingredients are not changed



Quantitative Risk Assessment for Dermal Sensitization Method

- **IDEA QRA Workshop Outcome March 2013**



Summary: Key Actions March 2013

- **Include aggregate exposure in the QRA**
- **Review supporting information for SAFs to explicitly include application to damaged skin**
- **Communication – expand the dialogue with international dermatologists**
- **Explore relationship between induction and elicitation thresholds**
- **Measure effectiveness of the QRA in limiting the induction of contact allergy**
- **Incorporate occupational exposure to consumer products**

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