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Annex 1 **Background document**

to the Opinion proposing harmonised classification and labelling at EU level of

3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'-methylenebis (4,1-phenylene)diurea

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Proposal for Harmonised Classification and Labelling

Based on Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP Regulation), Annex VI, Part 2

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Part A.

1 PROPOSAL FOR HARMONISED CLASSIFICATION AND LABELLING

1.1 Substance

The table below shows identity information for substance Complex soap TH 28.

Table 1: Substance identity

Substance name:	Complex soap TH 28
Chemical name:	3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'-methylenebis(4,1-phenylene)diurea
EC number:	406-370-3
CAS number:	58890-25-8
Annex VI Index number:	616-094-00-7
Degree of purity:	> 95 \le 100 \% (w/w)
Impurities:	Impurities are not considered relevant for the classification and labelling of the substance.

1.2 Harmonised classification and labelling proposal

Table 2: The current Annex VI entry and the proposed harmonised classification

	Regulation 1272/2008/EC (CLP)
Current entry in Annex VI, CLP Regulation	Skin Sens. 1, H317 Aquatic Chronic 4, H413
Current proposal for consideration by RAC	Removal of: Skin Sens. 1, H317 Aquatic Chronic 4, H413
Resulting harmonised classification (future entry in Annex VI, CLP Regulation)	No classification.

1.3 Proposed harmonised classification and labelling based on CLP Regulation

 Table 3:
 Proposed classification according to the CLP Regulation

CLP Annex I ref	Hazard class	Proposed classification	Proposed SCLs and/or M-factors	Current classification 1)	Reason for no classification ²⁾
2.1.	Explosives				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.2.	Flammable gases				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.3.	Flammable aerosols				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.4.	Oxidising gases				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.5.	Gases under pressure				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.6.	Flammable liquids				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.7.	Flammable solids				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.8.	Self-reactive substances and mixtures				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.9.	Pyrophoric liquids				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.10.	Pyrophoric solids				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.11.	Self-heating substances and mixtures				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.12.	Substances and mixtures which in contact with water emit flammable gases				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.13.	Oxidising liquids				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.14.	Oxidising solids				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.15.	Organic peroxides				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
2.16.	Substance and mixtures corrosive to metals				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
3.1.	Acute toxicity - oral				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
	Acute toxicity - dermal				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
	Acute toxicity - inhalation				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
3.2.	Skin corrosion / irritation				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
3.3.	Serious eye damage / eye irritation				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
3.4.	Respiratory sensitisation				Data lacking and hazard class not assessed in this dossier
3.4.	Skin sensitisation	none		Skin Sens. 1, H317	new data, negative mLLNA
3.5.	Germ cell mutagenicity				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
3.6.	Carcinogenicity				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
3.7.	Reproductive toxicity				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
3.8.	Specific target organ toxicity –single exposure				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
3.9.	Specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure				Hazard class not assessed in this dossier

CLP Annex I ref	Hazard class	Proposed classification	Current classification 1)	Reason for no classification ²⁾
3.10.	Aspiration hazard			Hazard class not assessed in this dossier
4.1.	Hazardous to the aquatic environment	none	Aquatic Chronic 4, H413	new data
5.1.	Hazardous to the ozone layer			Hazard class not assessed in this dossier

Labelling: none

¹⁾ Including specific concentration limits (SCLs) and M-factors
2) Data lacking, inconclusive, or conclusive but not sufficient for classification

2 BACKGROUND TO THE CLH PROPOSAL

3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'-methylenebis(4,1-phenylene)diurea (Complex soap TH 28) is an industrial chemical in the meaning of REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006). The substance has an existing harmonised classification according to Regulation 1272/2008/EC (CLP), Annex VI for the hazard classes: skin sensitisation and environmental hazard. However the presence of new data from the REACH registration showed the need to revise the current classification. This CLH proposal aims to revoke the classification and labelling of Complex soap TH 28 as Skin Sens. 1 (H317) and Aquatic Chronic 4 (H413).

2.1 History of the previous classification and labelling

Complex soap TH 28 was primarily classified and labelled with Xi; R43, 53, S24, 37, 61 and adopted into Annex I of Directive 67/548/EEC with the 29th ATP by the authorities.

With implementation of the CLP Regulation the substance was classified and labelled with Skin Sens. 1 (H317) and Aquatic Chronic 4 (H413).

Data from the REACH registration dossiers were taken as a basis for this CLH proposal.

The CLH dossier submitter registered Complex soap TH 28 according to REACH Regulation Annex VII. Previously, Complex soap TH 28 has been notified by three companies under the new substances regulation in accordance with Directive 92/32/EEC (NONS; Council Directive 92/32/EEC of April 1992 amending for the seventh time Directive 67/548/EEC on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances. O.J.No L 154, 5.6.1992, p.1). Information from these former notifications was made available by ECHA for several endpoints, as data was submitted at least 12 years ago. Endpoints included were:

- 7.2 Melting/freezing point
- 7.4 Relative density
- 7.5 Vapour pressure
- 7.6 Surface tension
- 7.8 Partition coefficient n-octanol/water
- 7.11 Explosive properties
- 7.12 Self-ignition temperature
- 8.5.1 Acute toxicity: oral
- 8.5.3 Acute toxicity: dermal
- 8.6.1 Short-term repeated toxicity study (28 days)
- 8.8.1 Assessment of toxicokinetic behaviour
- 9.1.1Short-term toxicity testing on invertebrates
- 9.1.2 Growth inhibition study aquatic plants
- 9.1.3 Short-term toxicity testing on fish
- 9.1.4 Activated sludge respiration inhibition testing
- 9.2.1.1 Ready biodegradability

According to Article 10 and 25(3) of the REACH Regulation the CLH dossier submitter made use of the study summaries and robust study summaries applicable for Annex VII REACH registration. The CLH dossier submitter respected the property rights and possible confidentiality of the study summaries and robust study summaries and used them only for the purpose of registration. Further, the CLH dossier submitter followed Article 11 and Article 26(3) of the REACH Regulation.

New data of substance specific properties and of required endpoints not available from former notifications was generated, including:

- 7.3 Boiling point
- 7.7 Water solubility
- 7.10 Flammability
- 8.1 Skin irritation / corrosion
- 8.2 Eye irritation
- 8.3 Skin sensitisation
- 8.4 Genetic toxicity in vitro
- 9.1.3 Growth inhibition study aquatic plants.

Based on the study results available from former notifications and new data generated, specifically, the new data according to REACH Regulation, Annex VII section 8.3 and 9.1.2 shows that Complex soap TH 28 has no skin sensitising potential and is not toxic to the aquatic environment. A revoke of the current classification is justified.

Notably, Complex soap TH 28 has not been tested for skin sensitisation before. The current classification and labelling as Skin Sens.1 (H317) may have been based on its impurities, e.g. residual amine (details are not available to applicant) which one of them is a potent skin sensitizer and has a harmonised classification according to Annex VI of CLP. The presence of significant residual amine in batches of former notifications was confirmed by the reported vapour pressure (111 Pa at 25 °C which is related to the residual amine vs. 0.35 at 25 °C for the pure substance, as calculated and expected for such a structure, see section 4.6 of the IUCLID dossier). However, the effects of potential impurities e.g. due to different synthesis conditions, have to assessed separately from the effects noted of the "pure" registered substance as the substance was tested as produced. The new information presented was generated using the registered substance and results clearly show that classification and labelling of pure Complex soap TH 28 as Skin Sens.1 (H317) is not justified.

2.2 Short summary of the scientific justification for the CLH proposal

A revoke of the classification of Complex soap TH 28 as skin sensitizer and for its chronic aquatic effects is proposed. Based on the available/presented new data from the REACH registration dossier the classification/labelling with Skin Sens. 1 (H317) and Aquatic Chronic 4 (H413) is deemed to be not justified.

Skin sensitisation

Data from a mouse Local Lymph Node Assay (LLNA) performed in 2009 are available for Complex soap TH 28 (purity > 95 %). The skin sensitisation potential of Complex soap TH 28 was tested in a LLNA performed in CBA/J@Rj mice, according to OECD Guideline 429 and EU Method B.42. Results from this study have shown that Complex soap TH 28 with a purity of > 95 % does not reveal skin sensitisation potential according to criteria of CLP Regulation.

In the main study sixteen female CBA/J@Rj mice were randomly assigned to four groups. Three groups were treated with Complex soap TH 28 at concentrations of 10 %, 5 % and 2.5 %. The control group was treated with pure vehicle acetone:olive oil (4:1, v/v; AOO). The test item solutions were applied on the dorsal surface of ears of the animals (25 μ L/ear) for three consecutive days (days 1, 2 and 3). After application of the 10 % and 5 % test item solutions on ears of animals, a precipitate on the treatment area was observed. There was no treatment on days 4, 5 and 6. On day 6, the cell proliferation in local lymph nodes was determined by measuring the incorporation of

tritiated methyl thymidine (³HTdR). The values obtained from analysis were used to calculate stimulation indices (SI).

No mortality or systemic clinical signs were observed during the study. No treatment related effect on body weight was observed. Additionally, no irritation or other local effects were observed. Stimulation index values of the test item were 0.5, 0.5 and 0.7 at treatment concentrations of 10 %, 5 % and 2.5 %, respectively. Thus, no SI value of 3 or more was noted and further, there was no dose-related response, which indicates a negative result in this test system.

The results of a reliability check (performed within an interval of no longer than six months), demonstrated the appropriate performance of the assay in accordance with the OECD Guideline 429. The positive control substance α -Hexylcinnamaldehyde (HCA, CAS 101-86-0) was examined at a concentration of 25 % in the vehicle AOO. A significant proliferation of lymphocytes in the lymph nodes draining the site of the test substance application was noted for HCA with a SI value of 4.9, which is \geq 3 and confirms the validity of the LLNA in the performing laboratory.

Complex soap TH 28 did not reveal a skin sensitisation potential in mice of this LLNA test according to OECD Guideline 429 and EU Method B.42. Overall, the registered compound Complex soap TH 28 is not considered as a substance that can lead to sensitisation following skin contact taking into account to CLP criteria. Therefore, current classification and labelling according to CLP Regulation with Skin Sens. 1, H317 is proposed to be removed.

Aquatic toxicity

Water Solubility (new study)

The new information about the water solubility of Complex soap TH 28 is regarded as important for current classification and labelling although the method applied was not substance specific and could not be used for to determine the real concentration of the aquatic toxicity tests.

The water solubility of Complex soap TH 28 was determined according to EU method B.6 and OECD guideline 106 using the shake flask method (LAB Research Ltd. (2010a)). As there is no GC- or HPLC-method available for the test item, the dissolved organic carbon (DOC) content of a saturated solution was determined resulting in 3.23 mg/L.

As this represents the result obtained for the DOC part, the water solubility was recalculated for Complex soap TH 28 as such, resulting in a water solubility of 4.47 mg/L based on the carbon content of 72.3 %.

Fish and aquatic invertebrates

For Complex soap 28 no acute toxic effects within the range of the water solubility were observed for fish and aquatic invertebrates. No long-term data were available for these two trophic levels.

Algae

Two studies were available investigating potential aquatic toxicity of Complex soap TH 28 to algae.

Complex soap TH 28 aquatic toxicity was assessed in an algae growth inhibition test (*Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata*) according to OECD Guideline 201 and EU Method C.3 (LAB Research Ltd (2010b)). As the test substance is slightly soluble in water and there is no GC- or HPLC method for quantification, a water accommodated fraction (WAF) of Complex soap TH 28

was prepared by dispersing the test item in a nominal load of 100 mg/L in test medium. The 72-h ErC50 was determined to be higher than 100 mg/L (WAF, equal to > 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility). Based on the WAF method applied no effects were noted at 50 mg/L (equivalent to 2.24 mg/L). Thus, a NOErC of 2.24 mg/L can be derived for this study.

The toxicity to algae (*Scenedesmus subspicatus*) was determined in a further study equivalent or similar to EU Method C.3 and OECD Guideline 201, resulting in 72-h ErC50 and NOErC values greater 1 mg/L (> 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility), equivalent to a concentration greater 100 mg/L (WAF) (ECHA (1991d).

Overall, the results on Complex soap TH 28 obtained for aquatic toxicity testing reveal no potential danger to the environment in neither acute nor chronic tests even tested well above the water solubility. In all studies the EC50/LC50 and NOEC values were well above the water solubility (WAF) and also > 1 mg/L. Therefore, no classification and labelling for acute or chronic environmental hazard according to CLP Regulation is justified. The current classification for Aquatic Chronic 4 is most likely due for reasons of precaution as the log K_{ow} together with the limited information of water solubility and the limited biodegradation might indicate the potential for chronic toxic effects in the aquatic environment. The new data however support the conclusion that neither acute nor chronic effects on aquatic organisms are expected > 1 mg/L and in accordance with CLP Regulation no classification is triggered.

2.2.1 Current classification and labelling in Annex VI, Table 3.1 in the CLP Regulation

Classification

Skin Sens. 1, H317

Aquatic Chronic 4, H413

Labelling

GHS07, Warning (Wng)

H317, H413

2.3 Current self-classification and labelling

The industry self-classification(s) and labelling are publically available in the ECHA C&L Inventory¹.

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<u>inventory.echa.europa.eu/SummaryOfClassAndLabelling.aspx?SubstanceID=76448&HarmOnly=n</u> o?DisclaimerAgr=Agree&Index=58890-25-8&ExecuteSearch=true&fc=true&lang=en

3 JUSTIFICATION THAT ACTION IS NEEDED AT COMMUNITY LEVEL

For Complex soap TH 28 a harmonised classification had been developed under 67/548/EEC with the 29th ATP. Assessments performed in order to achieve registrations under REACH indicated that according to the re-evaluation of existing data and to evaluation of new data the existing classification for the toxicological class 'skin sensitization' and 'hazardous to the aquatic environment' no longer reflects the criteria for classification and labelling in Annex I of the CLP Regulation.

Based on the data available from former notifications and new study results generated, the registered substance Complex soap TH 28 is considered not dangerous to human health and not dangerous to the environment. Thus, classification and labelling as Skin Sensitiser 1; H317 as well as Aquatic Chronic 4 is not justified. Action is needed to revise the CLP Regulation entry in Annex VI table 3.1.

Part B.

SCIENTIFIC EVALUATION OF THE DATA

1 IDENTITY OF THE SUBSTANCE

1.1 Name and other identifiers of the substance

Table 4: Substance identity

EC number:	406-370-3
EC name:	3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'-methylenebis(4,1-phenylene)diurea
CAS number (EC inventory):	58890-25-8
CAS number:	58890-25-8
CAS name:	Urea, N,N"-(methylenedi-4,1-phenylene)bis[N'-cyclohexyl-
IUPAC name:	3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'-methylenebis(4,1-phenylene)diurea
CLP Annex VI Index number:	616-094-00-7
Molecular formula:	$C_{27}H_{36}N_4O_2$
Molecular weight range:	448.538 g/mol

Structural formula:

1.2 <u>Composition of the substance</u>

 Table 5:
 Constituents (non-confidential information)

Constituent	Typical concentration	Concentration range	Remarks
3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'- methylenebis(4,1- phenylene)diurea		> 95 \le 100 \% (w/w)	NA

Current Annex VI entry: H317, H413, (CLP)

For further information please see confidential annex or technical dossier.

Table 6: Impurities (non-confidential information)

Impurity	Typical concentration	Concentration range	Remarks

Current Annex VI entry: Not applicable.

Table 7: Additives (non-confidential information)

Additive	Function	Typical concentration	Concentration range	Remarks
No additives				

Current Annex VI entry: Not applicable.

1.2.1 Composition of test material

The specifications for the test material are shown in the confidential annex or technical dossier.

1.3 Physico-chemical properties

Following table shows the relevant physical-chemical properties.

Table 8: Relevant physical-chemical properties

Property	Value	Reference	Comment (e.g. measured or estimated)
State of the substance at 20 °C and 101.3 kPa	solid	Klüber Lubrication München KG	TH28 is an organic odourless white solid.
Vapour pressure	111 Pa @ 25 °C (0.35 Pa @ 25 °C calculated for pure substance)	SNIF data	Robust study summary provided by ECHA
Water solubility	3.23 mg/L (DOC) equivalent to 4.47 mg/L test substance*)	LAB Research Ltd., 2010a	Determined according to OECD 105, EU method A.6
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water	$\log K_{OW} = 6.9$	SNIF data	Robust study summary provided by ECHA

^{*)} The solubility of Complex soap TH 28 in water was determined using the shake flask method. As there is no GC- or HPLC-method available for the test item the dissolved organic carbon (DOC) content was determined resulting in 3.23 mg/L. As this represents the result obtained for the DOC part, the water solubility was recalculated for 3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'-methylenebis(4,1-phenylene)diurea (Complex soap TH 28) as such, resulting in a water solubility based on the carbon content of 72.3% of 4.47 mg/L. It should however be noted, that the method used is not substance specific (DOC) which analyses the substance as such as well as potential impurities. Thus the real water solubility might slightly be lower as the values obtained.

2 MANUFACTURE AND USES

2.1 Manufacture

Confidential information.

2.2 Identified uses

Lubrication or lubrication additive.

3 CLASSIFICATION FOR PHYSICO-CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Based on results obtained classification and labelling for physical-chemical properties according to CLP Regulation is not justified.

4 HUMAN HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT

The following section shows relevant data on human health hazard assessment.

4.1 Toxicokinetics (absorption, metabolism, distribution and elimination)

Hazard class not evaluated in this dossier.

4.2 Acute toxicity

Hazard class not evaluated in this dossier.

4.3 Irritation

Hazard class not evaluated in this dossier.

4.4 Corrosivity

Hazard class not evaluated in this dossier.

4.5 Sensitisation

4.5.1 Skin sensitisation

4.5.1.1 Non-human information

The results of experimental studies on skin sensitisation are summarised in the following table:

Table 9: Summary table of relevant skin sensitisation studies

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Method mouse (CBA/J) female Local lymph node assay (LLNA) OECD Guideline 429 (Skin Sensitisation: Local Lymph Node Assay) (1998) EU Method B.42 (Skin Sensitisation: Local Lymph Node Assay) (2008)	Results not sensitising Stimulation index (SI): The lack of any positive result under these exaggerated test conditions is considered to be good evidence that Complex soap TH 28 is not a sensitizer. The stimulation index values were 0.5, 0.5 and 0.7 at concentrations of 10 %, 5 % and 2.5 %, respectively, which were negative due to SI < 3. Positive control:	Remarks 1 (reliable without restriction) key study experimental result Test material (EC name): 3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'-methylenebis(4,1-	Reference Török-Bathó, M (2009)
	25 % α Hexylcinnamaldehyde (HCA, CAS 101-86-0): SI = 4.9 (positive, SI \geq 3)	phenylene)diurea	

Mouse Local Lymph Node Assay

The skin sensitisation potential of Complex soap TH 28 (Lot/batch No. AH-1290/2009-02, analytical purity > 95 %) was tested in a Local Lymph Node Assay (LLNA) performed in CBA/J@Rj mice according to OECD Guideline 429 and EU Method B.42.

Prior to the main study, vehicle compatibility of Complex soap TH 28 was verified in a preliminary compatibility test with acetone:olive oil 4:1 (v/v) mixture (AOO), *N*,*N*-Dimethylformamide, Ethylmethylketone, Dimethyl sulfoxide, Propylene-glycol and *n*-Hexane:olive oil 4:1 (v/v) mixture (HOO). The most suitable vehicle was found to be AOO, with a maximum available test item concentration of 10 % (w/v). The test item was insoluble in all other solvents. Further, a preliminary irritation/toxicity test was performed with Complex soap TH 28 in CBA/J@Rj mice at concentrations of 10 % and 5 % in AOO. The applicability and biocompatibility of Complex soap TH 28 on ears of animals was found to be acceptable up to the maximum available concentration of 10 %.

In the main study sixteen female CBA/J@Rj mice were randomly assigned to four groups. Three groups were treated with Complex soap TH 28 at concentrations of 10 %, 5 % and 2.5 %. The control group was treated with the vehicle AOO. The test item solutions were applied on the dorsal surface of ears of the animals (25 μ L/ear) for three consecutive days (days 1, 2 and 3). After application of the 10 % and 5 % test item solutions on ears of animals, a precipitate on the treatment area was observed. There was no treatment on days 4, 5 and 6. On day 6, the cell proliferation in local lymph nodes was determined by measuring the incorporation of tritiated methyl thymidine (3 HTdR). The values obtained from analysis were used to calculate stimulation indices (SI). No mortality, no local toxicity or systemic clinical signs were observed during the study. No treatment related effect on body weight was observed. Additionally, no irritation or other local effects were observed. SI values of the test item were 0.5, 0.5 and 0.7 at treatment concentrations of 10 %, 5 % and 2.5 %, respectively.

The results of the latest reliability check (performed within an interval of no longer than six months), was used to demonstrate the appropriate performance of the assay in accordance with the OECD Guideline 429. The positive control substance α -Hexylcinnamaldehyde (HCA, CAS 101-86-0) was examined at a concentration of 25 % in the vehicle AOO. A significant proliferation of lymphocytes in the lymph nodes draining the site of the test substance application was noted for the positive control substance HCA with a SI value of 4.9, which is positive due to SI \geq 3 and confirms the validity of the LLNA in the performing laboratory. The following table gives an overview of test results from the LLNA with Complex soap TH 28 and the positive control substance HCA performed in female CBA/J@Rj mice.

Table 10: Results of the LLNA with complex soap TH 28 performed in female CBA/J@Rj mice

Test concentration	Stimulation Index (SI)	Result
10 % Complex soap TH 28	0.5	Negative (SI < 3)
5 % Complex soap TH 28	0.5	Negative (SI < 3)
2.5 % Complex soap TH 28	0.7	Negative SI < 3)
25 % HCA, positive control substance	4.9	Positive (SI \geq 3)

Thus, no SI value of 3 or more was noted for all three tested concentrations of Complex soap TH 28 and further, there was no dose-related response, which indicates a negative result in this test system.

In conclusion, no skin sensitizing properties were observed in female CBA/J@Rj mice after treatment with Complex soap TH 28 at concentrations of 10 %, 5 % and 2.5 %.

4.5.1.2 Human information

No data available.

4.5.1.3 Summary and discussion of skin sensitisation

In a guideline-compliant mouse LLNA no skin sensitizing properties of Complex soap TH 28 was found. The skin sensitisation potential of Complex soap TH 28 was tested in a LLNA performed in CBA/J@Rj mice according to OECD Guideline 429 and EU Method B.42. SI values of the test item were 0.5, 0.5 and 0.7 at treatment concentrations of 10 %, 5 % and 2.5 %, respectively. Thus, the ratio of the mean proliferation in each treated test group to that in the concurrent control group was lower than the cut-off value of 3. Further, there was no dose-related response. The results have shown that Complex soap TH 28 does not point to a skin sensitizing potential in mice after dermal application.

4.5.1.4 Comparison with criteria

(i) Identification of hazard information: 'Skin sensitiser means a substance that will lead to an allergic response following skin contact.'

There is no information available with respect to skin sensitisation of Complex soap TH 28 from case reports, epidemiological studies, medical surveillance and reporting schemes based on human patch testing. Data for skin sensitisation of Complex soap TH 28 was obtained from animal testing according to existing testing guidelines.

(ii) Classification criteria for substances, Hazard categories: 'substances shall be classified as skin sensitisers (Category 1) where data are not sufficient for sub-categorisation in accordance with the following criteria: (a) if there is evidence in humans that the substance can lead to sensitisation by skin contact in a substantial number of persons; or (b) if there are positive results from an appropriate animal test. For Category 1, a stimulation index (SI) of three or more is considered a positive response in the local lymph node assay.'

The skin sensitisation potential (hazard identification) of Complex soap TH 28 was tested in a murine LLNA according to OECD Guideline 429 and EU Method B.42. SI values of the test item were 0.5, 0.5 and 0.7 at treatment concentrations of 10 %, 5 % and 2.5 %, respectively. None of the three tested concentrations of Complex soap TH 28 have shown a SI value of 3 or more. Furthermore, there was no dose-related response. In conclusion, in a guideline-compliant murine LLNA, Complex soap TH 28 did not induce skin sensitisation in mice.

(iii) Sub-categories for skin sensitisers: 'Skin sensitiser shall be classified in Category 1 where data are not sufficient for sub-categorisation (CLP Annex I 3.4.2.2.1.1).'

Potential for skin sensitisation (hazard identification) was not determined for Complex soap TH 28. Accordingly, relative skin sensitisation potency (hazard characterisation) was not calculated.

4.5.1.5 Conclusions on classification and labelling

Based on the negative results obtained from a LLNA in mice classification and labelling of Complex soap TH 28 for skin sensitisation is not justified according to the CLP Regulation.

Therefore removal of the classification of the registered substance Complex soap TH 28 as Skin Sens.1 (H317) is proposed.

RAC evaluation of skin sensitisation

Summary of the Dossier submitter's proposal

In the CLH report submitted to ECHA on April 2015, the Dossier Submitter (DS) proposed no classification for 3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'-methylenebis(4,1-phenylene)diurea (Complex soap TH 28) for skin sensitisation. For the sake of brevity, the substance is referred to as Complex soap TH 28 throughout this opinion.

According to the DS, no classification for skin sensitisation was justified by the negative outcome of a mouse Local Lymph Node Assay (LLNA), performed in accordance with OECD TG 429 using Complex soap TH 28 i.e. corresponding to the substance registered under REACH.

According to the DS, there were no other studies for skin sensitisation on Complex soap TH 28. Furthermore, the DS stated that the current classification of Complex soap TH 28 as Skin Sens. 1; H317 may have been based on its impurities in earlier batches of former notifications. These include e.g. a residual amine (details not available), which is a potent skin sensitizer and has a harmonized classification according to annex VI of CLP.

The DS concluded that no classification was applicable for Complex soap TH 28 registered under REACH, but in case of similar substances with other impurities (e.g. due to different synthesis conditions), the potential impact of the impurities on the classification with respect to sensitisation had to be considered separately.

Comments received during public consultation

One member state questioned whether the skin sensitisation data were sufficiently complete to remove the current classification as Skin Sens. 1; H317, and emphasized that there was no information on what basis the substance had initially been classified as Skin Sens. 1; H317. No further comments were received.

The rapporteurs received information that the current classification of Complex soap TH 28 as Skin Sens. 1; H317 was based on the outcome of a previous skin sensitisation test (Buehler test), which was not included in the CLH dossier. The substance 3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'-methylenebis(4,1-phenylene)diurea (EC number 406-370-3) was previously notified under the NONS Regulation (*i.e.* the EU Dangerous Substances Directive) and this skin sensitisation test was included in the NONS dossier. However, the data presented on the study in the NONS dossier were sparse. No information was available on the study date, the composition of the tested material or details on testing conditions. Positive reactions were seen in 7/20 animals at the 2nd reading upon challenge, but not after rechallenge, thus the outcome of the test was considered ambiguous.

In addition to the composition presented by the DS, another composition containing 1-5% of an isocyanate, which is classified as Skin Sens. 1, is also registered under REACH.

Assessment and comparison with the classification criteria

Local Lymph Node Assay

Complex soap TH 28 was tested for skin sensitisation in a Local Lymph Node Assay (LLNA) performed according to OECD TG 429 and EU Method B.42 (Török-Bathó, 2009).

Study design

Before conducting the study, six different vehicles were tested in order to select the one most compatible for the testing of Complex soap TH 28. The tested vehicles included a) acetone: olive oil 4:1 (v/v) mixture (AOO), b) N,N-dimethylformamide, c) ethyl-methyl-ketone, d) dimethyl sulfoxide, e) propylene-glycol, and f) n-hexane: olive oil 4:1 (v/v) mixture (HOO). The acetone: olive oil 4:1 (v/v) mixture (AOO) was identified as the most suitable vehicle, with a maximum available test item concentration of 10% (w/v). The test item was insoluble in all other solvents. In addition, a preliminary irritation/toxicity test was performed with Complex soap TH 28 in CBA/J@Rj mice at concentrations of 10% and 5% in AOO. The applicability and biocompatibility of the test item on ears of animals was found to be acceptable up to the maximum available concentration of 10%.

The LLNA was performed using sixteen female CBA/J@Rj mice, randomly assigned into four groups, with four animals in each group. The study groups were treated with Complex soap TH 28 in AOO at concentrations of 10%, 5% and 2.5%. The control group was treated with pure vehicle (AOO). The study protocol included application of the test item solution on the dorsal surface of the ears of the animals (25 $\mu L/ear$) for three consecutive days (days 1, 2 and 3). There was no treatment on days 4, 5 and 6. On day 6, the cell proliferation in local lymph nodes was determined by measuring the incorporation of tritiated methyl thymidine (3HTdR). Stimulation index (SI) values were calculated by comparing the methyl thymidine incorporation values obtained in each test group with the mean values of the vehicle control group, as stipulated in the test protocol.

Results

The results of the latest reliability check (performed within an interval of no longer than six months), were used to demonstrate the appropriate performance of the assay in accordance with the OECD TG 429. In the reliability check, the positive control substance α -hexylcinnamaldehyde (HCA) was examined at a concentration of 25% in the relevant vehicle. The SI-value with HCA was 4.9, indicating a significant lymphoproliferative response. This confirms the validity of the LLNA in the test laboratory.

After application of the 10% and 5% test item (Complex soap TH 28) solutions on ears of animals, a precipitate on the treatment area was observed. No mortality, systemic clinical signs, treatment-related effects on body weight, irritation, or other local effects were observed during the study.

In the LLNA performed with Complex soap TH 28, the calculated SI-values were 0.7, 0.5 and 0.5 at treatment concentrations of 2.5%, 5%, and 10%, respectively (table below). Thus, no significant lymphoproliferative response was observed, as SI was not \geq 3 at any of the tested concentrations. No dose-response relationship was observed. The final outcome was that the test results were negative for skin sensitisation.

No human data were available on skin sensitisation.

Table: LLNA results, Complex soap TH 28 tested in female CBA/J@Rj mice

Test concentration	Stimulation Index (SI)	Result
2.5% Complex soap TH 28	0.7	Negative (SI $<$ 3)
5% Complex soap TH 28	0.5	Negative (SI < 3)
10% Complex soap TH 28	0.5	Negative (SI $<$ 3)
25% HCA (positive control)	4.9	Positive (SI ≥ 3)

Comparison with CLP classification criteria for skin sensitisation

According to OECD TG 429, SI-values \geq 3 indicate a significant lymphoproliferative response. In the CLP regulation, for Skin Sens. category 1, an SI value of three or more is considered a positive response in an LLNA. Furthermore, an EC3 value (the estimated concentration of a test substance needed to produce a SI of three) \leq 2% indicates a subcategory 1A classification is warranted, and an EC3 value > 2% indicates a sub-category 1B.

In the LLNA, Complex soap TH 28 did not induce any significant lymphoproliferative response. At each test concentration, the SI was < 3, meaning that the classification criteria for classification as Skin Sens. 1 are not fulfilled. No classification is therefore warranted for skin sensitisation for the substance 3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'-methylenebis(4,1-phenylene)diurea (Complex soap TH 28) on the basis of the LLNA.

Conclusions

From the information available, the current classification of Complex soap TH 28 was based on a Buehler test, showing equivocal results which could not be evaluated further due to the scarce information on the study. The recent LLNA performed with 3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'-methylenebis(4,1-phenylene)diurea (Complex soap TH 28) was clearly negative. Although the highest tested dose was only 10% (maximum soluble concentration in all tested vehicles), RAC considers the test reliable. On the basis of weight of evidence RAC concludes that no classification is warranted for skin sensitisation for this substance.

In the case of 3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'-methylenebis(4,1-phenylene)diurea with a composition containing impurities classified for skin sensitisation, the impact of such on classification have to be considered separately manufacturer/importer/formulator according to the cut-off limits defined in the CLP Regulation Article 2(7) " 'substance' means a chemical element and its compounds in the natural state or obtained by any manufacturing process, including any additive necessary to preserve its stability and any impurity deriving from the process used, but excluding any solvent which may be separated without affecting the stability of the substance or changing its composition" and Article 11 "Where a substance contains another substance, itself classified as hazardous, whether in the form of an identified impurity, additive or individual constituent, this shall be taken into account for the purposes of classification, if the concentration of the identified impurity, additive or individual constituent is equal to, or greater than, the applicable cut- off value in accordance with paragraph 3".

4.5.2 Respiratory sensitisation

Data lacking. Hazard class not assessed in this dossier.

4.6 Repeated dose toxicity

Hazard class not evaluated in this dossier.

4.7 Specific target organ toxicity (CLP Regulation) – repeated exposure (STOT RE)

Not applicable.

4.8 Germ cell mutagenicity (Mutagenicity)

Hazard class not evaluated in this dossier.

4.9 Carcinogenicity

Hazard class not evaluated in this dossier.

4.10 Toxicity for reproduction

Hazard class not evaluated in this dossier.

4.11 Other effects

Hazard class not evaluated in this dossier.

5 ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARD ASSESSMENT

5.1 Degradation

The test results are summarised in the following table:

Table 11: Summary table of results from relevant degradation studies

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
equivalent or similar to OECD Guideline 301 A (old version) (Ready Biodegradabiltiy: Modified AFNOR Test)		3 (not reliable) key study experimental result Test material (EC name): 3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'- methylenebis(4,1-	ECHA (1991e)
		phenylene)diurea	

Discussion

A guideline study performed according to OECD 301 A reached a value of 48 % degradation within 28 days. However, the OECD 301 A is not suitable for poorly soluble (< 100mg/L) compounds. No other degradation data are available. Therefore, Complex soap TH28 should be regarded by default as not rapidly degradable (ECHA Guidance on the Application of the CLP Criteria Annex II.2.4).

5.2 Environmental distribution

5.3 Aquatic Bioaccumulation

The high log K_{ow} of 6.9 indicates potential for bioaccumulation. Estimates for the Soil Adsorption Coefficient (log K_{oc}) and Henry's law constant were made using EPIWIN (v.4.11). The values obtained are 3.968 for the log K_{oc} (K_{ow} method, KOCWIN v2.00) and 6.74·10⁻²¹ atm·m³·mol⁻¹ for the Henry's law constant at 25 °C (Bond method, HENRYWIN v3.20) (see Annex).

5.4 Aquatic toxicity

5.4.1 Fish

5.4.1.1 Short-term toxicity to fish

Table 12: Summary of relevant information on potential aquatic toxicity to fish

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Brachydanio rerio (new name: Danio rerio) Equivalent or similar to OECD Guideline 203 (Fish, Acute Toxicity Test)	LC50 (96 h): > 100 mg/L (nominal), respectively > maximal water solubility (> 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility).	2 (reliable with restriction – no analytical monitoring) key study experimental result	ECHA (1991b)
EU Method C.1 (Acute toxicity for fish) Limit test	solutiney),	Test material (EC name): 3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'-methylenebis(4,1-phenylene)diurea	

Discussion

Complex soap TH 28 acute toxicity to fish was determined in a study equivalent or similar to EU Method C.1 and OECD Guideline 203. Exposure to freshwater fish *Brachydanio rerio* (new name: *Danio rerio*) was investigated, resulting in a 96-hour LC50 value greater 100 mg/L (> 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility)). No effects were noted at all even tested well above the water solubility.

The test substance is slightly soluble in water and there is no GC or HPLC method for quantification. Based on the information available, most likely a limit test was carried out using direct addition of the test substance to the test medium.

5.4.1.2 Long-term toxicity to fish

No data available.

5.4.2 Aquatic invertebrates

5.4.2.1 Short-term toxicity to aquatic invertebrates

Table 13: Summary of relevant information on potential aquatic toxicity to invertebrates

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Daphnia magna	EC50 (48 h): > 100 mg/L (nominal)	2 (reliable with restriction – no analytical monitoring)	ECHA (1991c)
Equivalent or similar to OECD Guideline 202 (Daphnia sp.	(> 4.47 mg/L based on water	key study	
Acute Immobilisation Test)	solubility)	experimental result	
EU Method C.2 (Acute toxicity for		Test material (EC name): 3,3'-	
Daphnia) Limit test		dicyclohexyl-1,1'- methylenebis(4,1-	
Emilit test		phenylene)diurea	

Discussion

Complex soap TH 28 acute toxicity to invertebrates was determined in a study equivalent or similar to EU Method C.2 and OECD Guideline 202. Exposure to Daphnia was investigated, resulting in a 48-hour EC50 value greater 100 mg/L (> 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility. No effects were noted at all even tested well above the water solubility.

The test substance is slightly soluble in water and there is no GC or HPLC method for quantification. Most likely a limit test was carried out using direct addition of the test substance to the test medium.

5.4.2.2 Long-term toxicity to aquatic invertebrates

No data available.

5.4.3 Algae

Table 14: Summary of relevant information on potential aquatic toxicity to algae

Method	Results	Remarks	Reference
Pseudokirchnerella subcapitata (algae) freshwater static EU Method C.3 (Algal Inhibition test) OECD Guideline 201 (Alga, Growth Inhibition Test)	EC50 (72 h): > 100 mg/L test mat. (nominal); > 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility/ nominal) based on: growth rate NOEC (72 h): 50 mg/L test mat. (nominal); 2.24 mg/L based on water solubility/ nominal) based on: growth rate LOEC (72 h): 100 mg/L test mat. (nominal); 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility/ nominal) based on: growth rate	2 (reliable with restriction – no analytical monitoring) key study experimental result Test material (EC name): 3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'- methylenebis(4,1- phenylene)diurea	LAB Research Ltd. (2010b)
Scenedesmus subspicatus (new name: Desmodesmus subspicatus) (algae) Equivalent or similar to EU Method C.3 (Algal Inhibition test) OECD Guideline 201 (Alga, Growth Inhibition Test) Limit test	EC50 (72 h): > 100 mg/L (nominal) (> 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility) (based on: biomass EC50 (72 h): > 100 mg/L (nominal) (> 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility) based on: growth rate NOEC (72 h): > 100 mg/L (nominal) (> 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility) based on: growth rate NOEC (72 h): > 100 mg/L (nominal) (> 4.47 mg/L based on: growth rate NOEC (72 h): > 100 mg/L (nominal) (> 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility) based on: biomass	2 (reliable with restriction – no analytical monitoring) supporting study experimental result Test material (EC name): 3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'- methylenebis(4,1- phenylene)diurea	ECHA (1991d)

Discussion

Algae

Two studies were available investigating potential aquatic toxicity of Complex soap TH 28 to algae.

Key study

Complex soap TH 28 aquatic toxicity was assessed in an algae growth inhibition test according to OECD Guideline 201 and EU Method C.3 (LAB Resarch Ltd (2010b)). As the test substance is slightly soluble in water (water solubility = 4.47 mg/L) and there is no GC or HPLC method for quantification, according to the registrant a water accommodated fraction (WAF) of Complex soap TH 28 was prepared by dispersing the test item in a nominal load of 100 mg/L in test medium. The solution was vigorously shaken for 24 h at approximately 30 °C. Subsequently, the solution was left

settling for 24 hours at approximately 20 °C and thereafter filtrated through a 0.22 µm pore filter. The corresponding nominal test item concentrations were: 6.25; 12.5; 25.0; 50.0 and 100.0 mg/L. The OECD "Guidance document on aquatic toxicity testing of difficult substances and mixtures" No. 23 describes at page 36 that "WAFs are prepared individually and not by serial dilution of a single stock WAF." Therefore the method used in the key algae study is no true WAF-method. Here, only the highest test concentration was prepared individually. As stated above, no GC or HPLC method for quantification exists. Therefore nominal concentrations had to be used for the assessment of Complex soap TH28.

Exponentially growing cultures of *Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata* were exposed for up to 72 h. The algae growth in relation to a control culture was determined. Based on the results the 72-h EC50 value for growth rate (ErC) and the NOEC value for growth rate (NOErC) were clearly above 1 mg/L. Based on the WAF method applied no effects (NOEC) were noted at 50 mg/L (nominal) (equivalent to 2.24 mg/L). The LOEC is 4.47 mg/L (at water solubility).

Supporting study

Complex soap TH 28 acute toxicity to algae was also determined in a study equivalent or similar to EU Method C.3 and OECD Guideline 201 (ECHA (1991d)). Exposure to exponentially growing cultures of *Scenedesmus subspicatus* was investigated, resulting in a 72-hour EC50 value (growth rate, ErC) greater 100 mg/L (nominal) (> 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility).

No effects were noted at all even tested well above the water solubility.

The test substance is slightly soluble in water and there is no GC or HPLC method for quantification. Most likely a limit test was carried out using a direct addition of the test substance to the test medium.

5.4.4 Other aquatic organisms (including sediment)

No data available.

5.5 Comparison with criteria for environmental hazards (sections 5.1 - 5.4)

Table 15: Comparison with criteria for environmental hazards (sections 5.1-5.6)

	Criteria for environmental hazards		Complex soap TH28	Conclusion
	CLP			
Rapid Degradation	Readily biodegradable in a 28-day test for ready biodegradability		no useful data available	not rapidly degradable
Bioaccumulation	$BCF \ge 500$ $Log K_{ow} \ge 4$		Log Kow = 6.9	bioaccumulative
Aquatic Toxicity	NOEC ≤ 1 mg/L	LC50/EC50 ≤ 100 mg/L	Fish: LC50 (96 h) > water solubility; No chronic data available Invertebrates: EC50 (48 h) > water solubility; No chronic data available Algae: ErC50 (72 h) > water solubility; chronic data available: NOErC (72 h) > 1 mg/L	LC50/EC50 > water solubility; and there is scientific evidence showing classification is unnecessary with a chronic toxicity NOEC > 1 mg/L

5.6 Conclusions on classification and labelling for environmental hazards (sections 5.1 – 5.4)

Complex soap TH 28 is not rapidly degradable and bioaccumulative. Nevertheless, the entire data set revealed no acute toxic effects in the range of the water solubility and no chronic toxic effects below 1 mg/L. Hence, Complex soap TH 28 does not fulfil the criteria for environmental hazards according to CLP-Regulation. As there is scientific evidence showing classification is unnecessary with a chronic toxicity NOEC > 1 mg/L from the algae test, the existing classification, Aquatic Chronic 4, should be removed.

RAC evaluation of aquatic hazards (acute and chronic)

Summary of the Dossier submitter's proposal

The DS proposed to remove the existing classification: Aquatic Chronic 4.

The proposed removal was based on the comparison of the criteria against the substance data:

- Complex soap TH 28 is not acutely toxic in the range of its water solubility;
- Data revealed no chronic toxic effects below 1 mg/L;
- Complex soap TH 28 is not readily degradable;
- Complex soap TH 28 has the potential for bioaccumulation (indicated by a log Kow of 6.9);
- Toxicity results indicated that Complex soap TH 28 does not fulfil the criteria for environmental hazards according to the CLP Regulation by considering the scientific evidence showing classification to be unnecessary with a chronic toxicity NOEC > 1 mg/L derived from an algae test.

The water solubility of Complex soap TH 28 (4.47 mg/L) was determined using the shake flask method (OECD TG 105). It should however be noted, that the method used is not substance specific (DOC) which analyses the substance as such as well as potential impurities. Thus the real water solubility might slightly be lower than the values obtained.

Comments received during public consultation

Two Member State Competent Authorities (MSCA) commented on the proposal and both of them disagreed with the recommended removal of the classification of Complex soap TH 28 as Aquatic Chronic 4.

In the response following public consultation the removal of the environmental classification as Chronic 4 was no longer supported by the DS.

Assessment and comparison with the classification criteria

Classification as Aquatic Chronic 4 ("safety net" classification according to the CLP Regulation, Annex I: 4.1.2.6. Table 4.1.0) is appropriate when data do not allow classification under Aquatic Acute 1 or Chronic 1–3, but still, there are some grounds for concern. Such concerns include poorly soluble substances for which no acute aquatic toxicity is recorded at levels up to the water solubility, and which are not rapidly degradable and have an experimentally determined BCF \geq 500 (or, if absent, a log Kow \geq 4), indicating a potential to bioaccumulate. Complex soap TH 28 fulfils these criteria. Currently only one chronic toxicity NOEC above 1 mg/L is reported for algae and unfortunately, no data on chronic toxicity to fish and invertebrates is available. However, the situation could change were suitable scientific evidence to be provided in the future; chronic toxicity **NOECs** > water solubility and > 1 mg/L, would be required, to indicate that classification was not necessary.

Key studies: relevant information on test methods and toxicity endpoints			
Method	Results	Remarks	
Biodegradation OECD TG 301 A – old version Ready Biodegradability – Modified AFNOR Test	Readily biodegradable Not readily biodegradable 48% after 28 day	3 (not reliable) Test material (EC name): 3,3'-dicyclohexyl-1,1'- methylenebis(4,1-phenylene)diurea	
Bioaccumulation	Potential for bioaccumulation log Kow = 6.9	The high log Kow indicates potential for bioaccumulation. No experimental bioaccumulation data are available.	
Short-term toxicity to fish OECD TG 203 – Fish, Acute Toxicity Test; EU Method C.1 – Acute toxicity for fish	LC_{50} (96 h) > 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility	2 (reliable with restriction – no analytical monitoring) Danio rerio (zebra fish)	
Long-term toxicity to fish	No fish data	No available data	
Short-term toxicity to aquatic invertebrates OECD TG 202 – Daphnia Acute Immobilisation Test; EU Method C.2 – Acute toxicity for Daphnia.	EC ₅₀ (48 h) > 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility	2 (reliable with restriction – no analytical monitoring) Daphnia magna (water flea)	
Long-term toxicity to aquatic invertebrates	No invertebrate data	No available data	
Growth inhibition on algae EU Method C.3 – Algal Inhibition test and OECD TG 201 – Alga, Growth Inhibition Test	ErC ₅₀ (72 h) > 100 mg/L test material > 4.47 mg/L based on water solubility	2 (reliable with restriction – no analytical monitoring) for both studies Results are based on growth rate, determined using the water accommodated fraction (WAF): Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (freshwater algae) and Desmodesmus subspicatus (freshwater algae).	

According to the guidance on the application of the CLP criteria (Annex I.3.2, June 2015, version 4.1) sufficient evidence should be provided that the NOEC or equivalent EC_x for each taxonomic group is greater than 1 mg/L or greater than the water solubility of the substance under consideration in order to remove or lower a long-term aquatic classification. In addition to all these considerations, the water solubility value of 4.47 mg/L is also uncertain.

Overall, the RAC is of the opinion that the information on chronic aquatic toxicity and environmental fate do not at this point in time support "no classification" of Complex soap TH 28 and therefore considers the **grounds for removal of the classification as Aquatic Chronic 4 are not adequate**.

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Not applicable.

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8 ANNEXES

Summary EPIWIN (v.4.11).