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# WORKSHOP IN-SILICO TOXICOLOGY

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# Day 1 – afternoon session: QSAR models

Day 1, Session 13:30-18:30				
Time	Subject	Content	Teaching and learning activity	Tutor
30 min	Arrival and registration	Make sure that all computers are running		
15 min	Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome training coordinator</li> <li>Objective and learning outcome of this course</li> </ul>	Tour de table – expectations and experiences Introduction to course outline and content Work in groups....	Training coordinators
30 min + 10 min discussion	Introduction to in-silico toxicology principles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is computational toxicology</li> <li>(Q)SAR (Difference of and rule based and statistical models.), Read Across, Category approaches, TTC</li> <li>Introduction to ICHM7</li> </ul>	Lecture, demonstration of the concepts used in these models and compare them to each other.	Sylvia Escher
45 min + 15 min discussion	Introduction and demonstration of different computational toxicology tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compare different models like DEREK, TopKat, ToxTree, VEGA CESAR, OECD QSAR Toolbox, Case Ultra</li> </ul>	Demonstration of software Showing the differences in output of different models (quantitative vs. qualitative).	Emiel Rorije
<b>30 min</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>			
60 min	Tools and chemical structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chemical representation; name, CAS No., structure, SMILES, MOL-file, 2D vs. 3D.</li> <li>Expert systems / databases</li> <li>Software tools for structure representation and recognition</li> </ul>	Show some sources of chemical structure/identity information	Emiel Rorije
60 min + 15 min wrap up	Do your own QSAR prediction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work with OECD toolbox, Toxtree and VEGA</li> <li>ICH M7 like assessment with Case Ultra</li> </ul>	Learn how to do a QSAR prediction and how to judge on validity; endpoint genotoxicity	Emiel Rorije, Sylvia Escher
	<b>End of day 1</b>			

# Day 2 – morning session: read-across

Day 2, morning session 9:00 – 13:00				
10 min	Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Objective and learning outcome of second day</li> </ul>	Wrap up day 1 and introduction to course outline and content of days 2	Training coordinators
45 min	Lecture: grouping concept- read across	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is read-across and when do we use it?</li> <li>What are the main assessment elements</li> <li>Context dependency of similarity assessment</li> <li>Which databases are available?</li> </ul>	Lecture, introducing the work flow of an read-across argument orientated to RAAF	Sylvia Escher
30 min	Work with chemical structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exact match/substructure/similarity of compounds</li> </ul>	Demonstrate looking up substance data, using different structure representations	Emiel Rorije
30	Work with MoA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MoA</li> </ul>	Exercise use MoA for building categories within the OECD toolbox	Emiel Rorije
30 min coffee break				
60 min	Hands on examples Read-across with OECD toolbox	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Example: 4-methoxycinnamaldehyde</li> <li>Select analogues based on structural and pc information as well as MoA for read-across</li> </ul>	Apply trend versus worst-case analysis	Emiel Rorije Sylvia Escher
30 min reporting	Wrap up and discuss examples	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Each group presents its results, learnings and difficulties</li> </ul>	Differences in approach will be worked out and discussed	All
60 min lunch break				

## Day 2 – afternoon session: read-across

Day 2 afternoon session 14:00 – 18:00				
60 min Lunch break				
30 min	Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do read-across without OECD toolbox</li> </ul>	Demonstration of KNIME and data extraction from toxicological databases	Sylvia
60 min	Hand on example	Case studies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>one group on organophosphates</li> </ul>	A case studies will be worked out in parallel in small groups and results will be presented to each other	Sylvia Escher Emiel Rorije
20 min	Wrap up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Groups present their approaches/learnings/difficulties</li> </ul>		All
60 min	Read-across perspectives -1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Introduction to other read-across tools like GenRa/US EPA</li> </ul>	Introduction of tool and demonstration on performacne	Emiel Rorije
30 min	Moving forward – mechanistic risk assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Biological read-across</li> <li>Concept of AOPs</li> </ul>	Illustrate areas of research to improve current read-across strategies	Sylvia Escher
18:00 break – networking				
18:10 Discussion of training content based on daily work experiences/examples from participants/networking				
19:30 Feedback on training from participants				
20:00 End of day 2				

# Day 3 – morning session: TTC concept

Day 3, 9:00 to 13:00 – ends with lunch break				
Time	Subject	Content	Teaching and learning activity	Tutor
60 min including discussion	Introduction to TTC concept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applicability of the TTC concept - refer to EFSA guidance</li> <li>• How were thresholds for genotoxic and non-genotoxic compounds derived? Based on which data?</li> <li>• TTC values overview – oral exposure, inhalation exposure, cancer, reprotoxicity</li> </ul>	Lecture, introduction to the TTC concept, learn about the underlying databases to better understand the applicability domain of the model. Introduce EFSA TTC guidance to participants and the use of Cramer class 2.	Sylvia Escher
45 min + 15 min discussion	Hands-on examples	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assign the appropriate threshold for single ingredients. Compare to exposure and calculate the risk for adults/infants and less then life time exposure.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TTC for single compound assessment</li> </ul>	Sylvia Escher
<b>30 min</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>			
15 min intro + 45 min hands-on	Hands-on examples	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use of TTC in case of complex mixtures the “Vasse Tarpits” example</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TTC for priority setting</li> <li>• TTC for mixtures</li> </ul>	Emiel Rorije
30 min	Demonstration of performance of different tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ToxTree</li> <li>• OECD toolbox</li> <li>• Manual application of Cramer decision tree</li> </ul>	Differences of software tools in allocation of threshold values, sensitize participants to careful use the tools	Emiel Rorije
20 min	Recent advances in the TTC concept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lecture introducing recent projects and results moving forward the TTC concept</li> </ul>	Outlook and perspectives	Sylvia Escher
15 min	Wrap up and certificates			All
<b>13:00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>			