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## Short Review



## RIFM fragrance ingredient safety assessment, 2-furanmethanethiol formate, CAS Registry Number 59020-90-5

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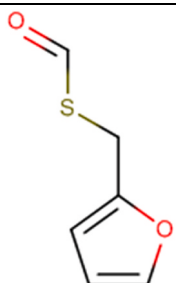
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**Abbreviation/Definition List:**

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**2-Box Model** - A RIFM, Inc. proprietary *in silico* tool used to calculate fragrance air exposure concentration

**AF** - Assessment Factor

**BCF** - Bioconcentration Factor

**Creme RIFM Model** - The Creme RIFM Model uses probabilistic (Monte Carlo) simulations to allow full distributions of data sets, providing a more realistic estimate of aggregate exposure to individuals across a population (Comiskey et al., 2015, 2017; Safford et al., 2015a, 2017) compared to a deterministic aggregate approach

**DEREK** - Derek Nexus is an *in silico* tool used to identify structural alerts

**DRF** - Dose Range Finding

**DST** - Dermal Sensitization Threshold

**ECHA** - European Chemicals Agency

**ECOSAR** - Ecological Structure-Activity Relationships Predictive Model

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EU - Europe/European Union  
 GLP - Good Laboratory Practice  
 IFRA - The International Fragrance Association  
 LOEL - Lowest Observable Effect Level  
 MOE - Margin of Exposure  
 MPPD - Multiple-Path Particle Dosimetry. An *in silico* model for inhaled vapors used to simulate fragrance lung deposition  
 NA - North America  
 NESIL - No Expected Sensitization Induction Level  
 NOAEC - No Observed Adverse Effect Concentration  
 NOAEL - No Observed Adverse Effect Level  
 NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration  
 NOEL - No Observed Effect Level  
 OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development  
 OECD TG - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Testing Guidelines  
 PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, and Toxic  
 PEC/PNEC - Predicted Environmental Concentration/Predicted No Effect Concentration  
 Perfumery - In this safety assessment, perfumery refers to fragrances made by a perfumer used in consumer products only. The exposures reported in the safety assessment include consumer product use, but do not include occupational exposures.  
 QRA - Quantitative Risk Assessment  
 QSAR - Quantitative Structure-Activity Relationship  
 REACH - Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation, and Restriction of Chemicals  
 RfD - Reference Dose  
 RIFM - Research Institute for Fragrance Materials  
 RQ - Risk Quotient  
 Statistically Significant - Statistically significant difference in reported results as compared to controls with a  $p < 0.05$  using appropriate statistical test  
 TTC - Threshold of Toxicological Concern  
 UV/Vis spectra - Ultraviolet/Visible spectra  
 VCF - Volatile Compounds in Food  
 VoU - Volume of Use

vPvB - (very) Persistent, (very) Bioaccumulative

WoE - Weight of Evidence

**The Expert Panel for Fragrance Safety \* concludes that this material is safe as described in this safety assessment.**

This safety assessment is based on the RIFM Criteria Document (Api, 2015), which should be referred to for clarifications.

Each endpoint discussed in this safety assessment includes the relevant data that were available at the time of writing (version number in the top box is indicative of the date of approval based on a 2-digit month/day/year), both in the RIFM Database (consisting of publicly available and proprietary data) and through publicly available information sources (e.g., SciFinder and PubMed). Studies selected for this safety assessment were based on appropriate test criteria, such as acceptable guidelines, sample size, study duration, route of exposure, relevant animal species, most relevant testing endpoints, etc. A key study for each endpoint was selected based on the most conservative endpoint value (e.g., PNEC, NOAEL, LOEL, and NESIL).

\*The Expert Panel for Fragrance Safety is an independent body that selects its own members and establishes its own operating procedures. The Expert Panel is comprised of internationally known scientists that provide RIFM with guidance relevant to human health and environmental protection.

**Summary: The existing information supports the use of this material as described in this safety assessment.**

2-Furanmethanethiol formate was evaluated for genotoxicity, repeated dose toxicity, reproductive toxicity, local respiratory toxicity, phototoxicity/photoallergenicity, skin sensitization, and environmental safety. Data from read-across analog furfuryl thioacetate (CAS # 13678-68-7) show that 2-furanmethanethiol formate is not expected to be genotoxic. The repeated dose, reproductive, and local respiratory toxicity endpoints were evaluated using the threshold of toxicological concern (TTC) for a Cramer Class III material, and the exposure to 2-furanmethanethiol formate is below the TTC (0.0015 mg/kg/day, 0.0015 mg/kg/day, and 0.47 mg/day, respectively). The skin sensitization endpoint was completed using the dermal sensitization threshold (DST) for reactive materials (64  $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ ); exposure is below the DST. The phototoxicity/photoallergenicity endpoints were evaluated based on data and ultraviolet (UV) spectra; 2-furanmethanethiol formate is not expected to be phototoxic/photoallergenic. The environmental endpoints were evaluated; 2-furanmethanethiol formate was found not to be persistent, bioaccumulative, and toxic (PBT) as per the International Fragrance Association (IFRA) Environmental Standards, and its risk quotients, based on its current volume of use in Europe and North America (i.e., Predicted Environmental Concentration/Predicted No Effect Concentration [PEC/PNEC]), are <1.

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**Human Health Safety Assessment**

**Genotoxicity:** Not expected to be genotoxic. (RIFM, 2014b; RIFM, 2017a; RIFM, 2017b)

**Repeated Dose Toxicity:** No NOAEL available. Exposure is below the TTC.

**Reproductive Toxicity:** No NOAEL available. Exposure is below the TTC.

**Skin Sensitization:** No safety concerns at current, declared use levels; exposure is below the DST.

**Phototoxicity/Photoallergenicity:** Not phototoxic/ (UV Spectra; RIFM not expected to be photoallergenic. Database; RIFM, 2016a)

**Local Respiratory Toxicity:** No NOAEC available. Exposure is below the TTC.

**Environmental Safety Assessment****Hazard Assessment:****Persistence:**

Screening-level: 2.89 (BIOWIN 3) (EPI Suite v4.11; US EPA, 2012a)

**Bioaccumulation:**

Screening-level: 3.63 L/kg (EPI Suite v4.11; US EPA, 2012a)

**Ecotoxicity:**

Screening-level: Fish LC50: 705.2 mg/L (RIFM Framework; Salvito, 2002)

**Conclusion:** Not PBT or vPvB as per IFRA Environmental Standards

**Risk Assessment:**

**Screening-level:** PEC/PNEC (North America and Europe) < 1 (RIFM Framework; Salvito, 2002)

**Critical Ecotoxicity Endpoint:** Fish LC50: 705.2 mg/L (RIFM Framework; Salvito, 2002)

**RIFM PNEC is:** 0.7052  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$

- **Revised PEC/PNECs (2015 IFRA VoU):** North America and Europe: not applicable; cleared at screening-level

**1. Identification**

1. **Chemical Name:** 2-Furanmethanethiol formate
2. **CAS Registry Number:** 59020-90-5
3. **Synonyms:** Furfurylthiol formate; Methanethioic acid, S-(2-furanlylmethyl) ester; S-(2-Furylmethyl) thioformate; 2-Furanmethanethiol formate
4. **Molecular Formula:** C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S
5. **Molecular Weight:** 142.17
6. **RIFM Number:** 6800
7. **Stereochemistry:** No stereocenter present and no stereoisomer possible.

**2. Physical data**

1. **Boiling Point:** 223.35 °C (EPI Suite)
2. **Flash Point:** Not Available
3. **Log K<sub>OW</sub>:** 1.35 (EPI Suite)
4. **Melting Point:** 16.56 °C (EPI Suite)
5. **Water Solubility:** 5723 mg/L (EPI Suite)
6. **Specific Gravity:** Not Available
7. **Vapor Pressure:** 0.0724 mm Hg @ 20 °C (EPI Suite v4.0), 0.1 mm Hg @ 20 °C (Fragrance Materials Association), 0.11 mm Hg @ 25 °C (EPI Suite)
8. **UV Spectra:** Minor absorbance between 290 and 700 nm; molar absorption coefficient is below the benchmark (1000 L mol<sup>-1</sup> · cm<sup>-1</sup>)
9. **Appearance/Organoleptic:** Not Available

**3. Volume of use (worldwide band)**

1. <0.1 metric ton per year (IFRA, 2015)

#### 4. Exposure to fragrance ingredient (Creme RIFM Aggregate Exposure Model v1.0)

1. 95th Percentile Concentration in Hydroalcoholics: 0.00000027% (RIFM, 2016b)
2. Inhalation Exposure\*: 0.0000001 mg/kg/day or 0.0000063 mg/day (RIFM, 2016b)
3. Total Systemic Exposure\*\*: 0.0000001 mg/kg/day (RIFM, 2016b)

\*95th percentile calculated exposure derived from concentration survey data in the Creme RIFM Aggregate Exposure Model (Comiskey, 2015, 2017; Safford, 2015a, 2017).

\*\*95th percentile calculated exposure; assumes 100% absorption unless modified by dermal absorption data as reported in Section V. It is derived from concentration survey data in the Creme RIFM Aggregate Exposure Model and includes exposure via dermal, oral, and inhalation routes whenever the fragrance ingredient is used in products that include these routes of exposure (Comiskey, 2015, 2017; Safford, 2015a, 2017).

#### 5. Derivation of systemic absorption

1. **Dermal:** Assumed 100%
2. **Oral:** Assumed 100%
3. **Inhalation:** Assumed 100%

#### 6. Computational toxicology evaluation

##### 1. Cramer Classification: Class III, High

Expert Judgment	Toxtree v 2.6	OECD QSAR Toolbox v 3.2
III	III	III

##### 2. Analogs Selected:

- a. **Genotoxicity:** Furfuryl thioacetate (CAS # 13678-68-7)
  - b. **Repeated Dose Toxicity:** None
  - c. **Reproductive Toxicity:** None
  - d. **Skin Sensitization:** None
  - e. **Phototoxicity/Photoallergenicity:** None
  - f. **Local Respiratory Toxicity:** None
  - g. **Environmental Toxicity:** None
3. Read-across Justification: See Appendix below

#### 7. Metabolism

No relevant data available for inclusion in this safety assessment.

**Additional References:** None.

#### 8. Natural occurrence (discrete chemical) or composition (NCS)

2-Furanmethanethiol formate is not reported to occur in foods by the VCF\*.

\*VCF (Volatile Compounds in Food): Database/Nijssen, L.M.; Ingen-Visscher, C.A. van; Donders, J.J.H. (eds). – Version 15.1 – Zeist (The Netherlands): TNO Triskelion, 1963–2014. A continually updated database containing information on published volatile compounds that have been found in natural (processed) food products. Includes FEMA GRAS and EU-Flavis data.

#### 9. REACH dossier

No dossier available as of 04/02/20.

#### 10. Conclusion

The existing information supports the use of this material as described in this safety assessment.

#### 11. Summary

##### 11.1. Human health endpoint summaries

##### 11.1.1. Genotoxicity

Based on the current existing data, 2-furanmethanethiol formate does not present a concern for genotoxicity.

**11.1.1.1. Risk assessment.** 2-Furanmethanethiol formate was assessed in the BlueScreen assay and found positive for both cytotoxicity (positive: <80% relative cell density) and genotoxicity (RIFM, 2014a). BlueScreen is a human cell-based assay for measuring the genotoxicity and cytotoxicity of chemical compounds and mixtures. Additional assays on a more reactive read-across material were considered to fully assess the potential mutagenic or clastogenic effects of the target material.

There are no data assessing the mutagenic and clastogenic activity of 2-furanmethanethiol formate; however, read-across can be made to furfuryl thioacetate (CAS # 13678-68-7; see Section VI).

The mutagenic activity of furfuryl thioacetate has been evaluated in a bacterial reverse mutation assay conducted in compliance with GLP regulations and in accordance with OECD TG 471 using the standard plate incorporation method. *Salmonella typhimurium* strains TA98, TA100, TA1535, TA1537, and *Escherichia coli* strain WP2uvrA were treated with furfuryl thioacetate in dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) at concentrations up to 5000 µg/plate. No increases in the mean number of revertant colonies were observed at any tested concentration in the presence or absence of S9 (RIFM, 2014a). Under the conditions of the study, furfuryl thioacetate was not mutagenic in the Ames test, and this can be extended to 2-furanmethanethiol formate.

The clastogenic activity of furfuryl thioacetate was evaluated in an *in vitro* micronucleus test conducted in compliance with GLP regulations and in accordance with OECD TG 487. Human peripheral blood lymphocytes were treated with furfuryl thioacetate in dimethyl sulfoxide at concentrations up to 1000 µg/mL in the dose range finding (DRF) study, and the micronuclei analysis was conducted at concentrations up to 100 µg/mL in the presence and absence of S9 for 3 h and up to 43 µg/mL in the absence of S9 for 24 h. In the confirmatory micronuclei analysis, concentrations up to 110 µg/mL in the presence and absence of S9 for 3 h were used. Furfuryl thioacetate was found to induce binucleated cells with micronuclei when tested up to cytotoxic levels concentration in either the presence or absence of an S9 activation system for 3 h (RIFM, 2017a). Under the conditions of the study, furfuryl thioacetate was considered to be clastogenic in the *in vitro* micronucleus test. A follow up *in vivo* micronucleus test was conducted.

The clastogenic activity of furfuryl thioacetate was evaluated in an *in vivo* micronucleus test conducted in compliance with GLP regulations and in accordance with OECD TG 474. The test material was administered in corn oil via oral gavage to groups of male and female CD-1 mice. Doses of 62.5, 125, and 250 mg/kg body weight were administered in the initial micronucleus assay and doses of 31.3, 62.5, and 125 mg/kg for the repeat definitive assay. Mice from each dose level were euthanized at 48 h, and the peripheral blood was collected and examined for micronucleated reticulocytes. The test material did not induce a statistically significant increase in the incidence of micronucleated reticulocytes in the peripheral blood (RIFM, 2017b). Under the conditions of the study, furfuryl thioacetate was considered to be not clastogenic in the *in vivo* micronucleus test, and this can be extended to 2-furanmethanethiol formate.

Based on the available data, furfuryl thioacetate does not present a

concern for genotoxic potential, and this can be extended to 2-furanmethanethiol formate.

**Additional References:** None.

**Literature Search and Risk Assessment Completed On:** 10/15/19.

#### 11.1.2. Repeated dose toxicity

There are no repeated dose toxicity data on 2-furanmethanethiol formate or any read-across materials. The total systemic exposure to 2-furanmethanethiol formate is below the TTC for the repeated dose toxicity endpoint of a Cramer Class III material at the current level of use.

**11.1.2.1. Risk assessment.** There are no repeated dose toxicity data on 2-furanmethanethiol formate or any read-across materials that can be used to support the repeated dose toxicity endpoint. The total systemic exposure to 2-furanmethanethiol formate (0.0001 µg/kg/day) is below the TTC (1.5 µg/kg/day; Kroes, 2007) for the repeated dose toxicity endpoint of a Cramer Class III material at the current level of use.

**Additional References:** None.

**Literature Search and Risk Assessment Completed On:** 10/01/19.

#### 11.1.3. Reproductive toxicity

There are insufficient reproductive toxicity data on 2-furanmethanethiol formate or any read-across materials. The total systemic exposure to 2-furanmethanethiol formate is below the TTC for the reproductive toxicity endpoint of a Cramer Class III material at the current level of use.

**11.1.3.1. Risk assessment.** There are no reproductive toxicity data on 2-furanmethanethiol formate or any read-across materials that can be used to support the repeated dose toxicity endpoint. The total systemic exposure to 2-furanmethanethiol formate (0.0001 µg/kg/day) is below the TTC (1.5 µg/kg/day; Kroes, 2007; Laufersweiler, 2012) for the reproductive toxicity endpoint of a Cramer Class III material at the current level of use.

**Additional References:** None.

**Literature Search and Risk Assessment Completed On:** 10/10/19.

#### 11.1.4. Skin sensitization

Based on the application of DST, 2-furanmethanethiol formate does not present a safety concern for skin sensitization under the current, declared levels of use.

**11.1.4.1. Risk assessment.** The chemical structure of this material indicates that it would be expected to react with skin proteins (Roberts, 2007; Toxtree v3.1.0; OECD Toolbox v4.3). No predictive skin sensitization studies are available for 2-furanmethanethiol formate. Acting conservatively due to insufficient data, the reported exposure was benchmarked utilizing the reactive DST of 64 µg/cm<sup>2</sup> (Safford, 2008, 2011, 2015b; Roberts, 2015). The current exposure from the 95th percentile concentration is below the DST for reactive materials when evaluated in all QRA categories. Table 1 provides the maximum acceptable concentrations for 2-furanmethanethiol formate that present no appreciable risk for skin sensitization based on the reactive DST. These levels represent maximum acceptable concentrations based on the DST approach. However, additional studies may show it could be used at higher levels.

**Additional References:** None.

**Literature Search and Risk Assessment Completed On:** 10/20/19.

**Table 1**

Maximum acceptable concentrations for 2-furanmethanethiol formate that present no appreciable risk for skin sensitization based on reactive DST.

IFRA Category <sup>a</sup>	Description of Product Type	Maximum Acceptable Concentrations in Finished Products Based on Reactive DST	Reported 95th Percentile Use Concentrations in Finished Products
1	Products applied to the lips	0.0049%	NRU <sup>b</sup>
2	Products applied to the axillae	0.0015%	NRU <sup>b</sup>
3	Products applied to the face using fingertips	0.029%	NRU <sup>b</sup>
4	Fine fragrance products	0.027%	$2.7 \times 10^{-7}\%$
5	Products applied to the face and body using the hands (palms), primarily leave-on	0.0070%	$8.3 \times 10^{-8}\%$
6	Products with oral and lip exposure	0.016%	NRU <sup>b</sup>
7	Products applied to the hair with some hand contact	0.056%	NRU <sup>b</sup>
8	Products with significant anogenital exposure	0.0029%	No Data <sup>c</sup>
9	Products with body and hand exposure, primarily rinse-off	0.054%	$6.8 \times 10^{-6}\%$
10	Household care products with mostly hand contact	0.19%	$4.8 \times 10^{-7}\%$
11	Products with intended skin contact but minimal transfer of fragrance to skin from inert substrate	0.11%	No Data <sup>c</sup>
12	Products not intended for direct skin contact, minimal or insignificant transfer to skin	No Restriction	0.24%

Note.

<sup>a</sup> For a description of the categories, refer to the IFRA/RIFM Information Booklet.

<sup>b</sup> No reported use.

<sup>c</sup> Fragrance exposure from these products is very low. These products are not currently in the Creme RIFM Aggregate Exposure Model.

#### 11.1.5. Phototoxicity/photoallergenicity

Based on the available UV/Vis spectra and *in vitro* study data, 2-furanmethanethiol formate would not be expected to present a concern for phototoxicity. Based on the available UV/Vis spectra, 2-furanmethanethiol formate would not be expected to present a concern for photoallergenicity.

**11.1.5.1. Risk assessment.** UV/Vis absorption spectra indicate minor absorption between 290 and 700 nm under both neutral and basic conditions. The corresponding molar absorption coefficient is well below the benchmark of concern for phototoxicity and photoallergenicity (Henry, 2009). In an *in vitro* 3T3 Neutral Red Uptake phototoxicity assay (OECD TG 432), 2-furanmethanethiol formate was not predicted to have phototoxic potential (RIFM, 2016a). Based on the lack of absorbance, 2-furanmethanethiol formate does not present a concern for photoallergenicity. Based on the *in vitro* study data and the lack of absorbance, 2-furanmethanethiol formate does not present a concern for phototoxicity.

**11.1.5.2. UV spectra analysis.** UV/Vis absorption spectra (OECD TG 101) were obtained. The spectra indicate minor absorbance in the range of 290–700 nm under both neutral and basic conditions. The molar absorption coefficient is below the benchmark of concern for phototoxic effects,  $1000 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1}$  (Henry, 2009).

**Additional References:** None.

**Literature Search and Risk Assessment Completed On:** 10/11/19.

#### 11.1.6. Local Respiratory Toxicity

The MOE could not be calculated due to a lack of appropriate data. The exposure level for 2-furanmethanethiol formate is below the Cramer Class III TTC value for inhalation exposure local effects.

**11.1.6.1. Risk assessment.** There are no inhalation data available on 2-furanmethanethiol formate. Based on the Creme RIFM Model, the inhalation exposure is 0.0000063 mg/day. This exposure is 74603 times than the Cramer Class III TTC value of 0.47 mg/day (based on human lung weight of 650 g; Carthew, 2009); therefore, the exposure at the current level of use is deemed safe.

**Additional References:** None.

**Literature Search and Risk Assessment Completed On:** 10/10/19.

### 11.2. Environmental endpoint summary

#### 11.2.1. Screening-level assessment

A screening-level risk assessment of 2-furanmethanethiol formate was performed following the RIFM Environmental Framework (Salvito, 2002), which provides 3 tiered levels of screening for aquatic risk. In Tier 1, only the material's regional VoU, its log  $K_{OW}$ , and its molecular weight are needed to estimate a conservative risk quotient (RQ), expressed as the ratio Predicted Environmental Concentration/Predicted No Effect Concentration (PEC/PNEC). A general QSAR with a high uncertainty factor applied is used to predict fish toxicity, as discussed in Salvito et al. (2002). In Tier 2, the RQ is refined by applying a lower uncertainty factor to the PNEC using the ECOSAR model (US EPA, 2012b), which provides chemical class-specific ecotoxicity estimates. Finally, if necessary, Tier 3 is conducted using measured biodegradation and ecotoxicity data to refine the RQ, thus allowing for lower PNEC uncertainty factors. The data for calculating the PEC and PNEC for this safety assessment are provided in the table below. For the PEC, the range from the most recent IFRA Volume of Use Survey is reviewed. The PEC is then calculated using the actual regional tonnage, not the extremes of the range. Following the RIFM Environmental Framework, 2-furanmethanethiol formate was identified as a fragrance material with no potential to present a possible risk to the aquatic environment (i.e., its screening-level PEC/PNEC <1).

A screening-level hazard assessment using EPI Suite v4.11 (US EPA, 2012a) did not identify 2-furanmethanethiol formate as possibly being persistent or bioaccumulative based on its structure and physical-chemical properties. This screening-level hazard assessment considers the potential for a material to be persistent and bioaccumulative and toxic, or very persistent and very bioaccumulative as defined in the Criteria Document (Api, 2015). As noted in the Criteria Document, the screening criteria applied are the same as those used in the EU for REACH (ECHA, 2012). For persistence, if the EPI Suite model BIOWIN 3 predicts a value < 2.2 and either BIOWIN 2 or BIOWIN 6 predicts a value < 0.5, then the material is considered potentially persistent. A material would be considered potentially bioaccumulative if the EPI Suite model BCFBAF predicts a fish BCF  $\geq 2000 \text{ L/kg}$ . Ecotoxicity is determined in the above screening-level risk assessment. If, based on these model outputs (Step 1), additional assessment is required, a WoE-based review is then performed (Step 2). This review considers available data on the material's physical-chemical properties,

environmental fate (e.g., OECD Guideline biodegradation studies or die-away studies), fish bioaccumulation, and higher-tier model outputs (e.g., US EPA's BIOWIN and BCFBAF found in EPI Suite v4.11).

**11.2.1.1. Risk assessment.** Based on the current Volume of Use (2015), 2-furanmethanethiol formate presents no risk to the aquatic compartment in the screening-level assessment.

#### 11.2.1.2. Key studies

**11.2.1.2.1. Biodegradation.** No data available.

**11.2.1.2.2. Ecotoxicity.** No data available.

**11.2.1.2.3. Other available data.** 2-Furanmethanethiol formate has been pre-registered for REACH with no additional data available at this time.

**11.2.1.2.4. Risk assessment refinement.** Ecotoxicological data and PNEC derivation (all endpoints reported in mg/L; PNECs in  $\mu\text{g/L}$ ).

Endpoints used to calculate PNEC are underlined.

Exposure information and PEC calculation (following RIFM Framework: Salvito, 2002).

Exposure	Europe (EU)	North America (NA)
Log $K_{OW}$ Used	1.35	1.35
Biodegradation Factor Used	0	0
Dilution Factor	3	3
Regional Volume of Use Tonnage Band	<1	<1
<b>Risk Characterization: PEC/PNEC</b>	<b>&lt;1</b>	<b>&lt;1</b>

Based on available data, the RQ for this material is < 1. No additional assessment is necessary.

The RIFM PNEC is 0.7052  $\mu\text{g/L}$ . The revised PEC/PNECs for EU and NA are not applicable. The material was cleared at the screening-level; therefore, it does not present a risk to the aquatic environment at the current reported volumes of use.

**Literature Search and Risk Assessment Completed On:** 10/02/19.

### 12. Literature Search\*

- **RIFM Database:** Target, Fragrance Structure-Activity Group materials, other references, JECFA, CIR, SIDS
- **ECHA:** <https://echa.europa.eu/>
- **NTP:** <https://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/>
- **OECD Toolbox**
- **SciFinder:** <https://scifinder.cas.org/scifinder/view/scifinder/scifinderExplore.jsf>
- **PubMed:** <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed>
- **National Library of Medicine's Toxicology Information Services:** <https://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov/>
- **IARC:** <https://monographs.iarc.fr>
- **OECD SIDS:** <https://hpvchemicals.oecd.org/ui/Default.aspx>
- **EPA ACToR:** <https://actor.epa.gov/actor/home.xhtml>
- **US EPA HPVIS:** [https://ofmpub.epa.gov/opptpv/public\\_search\\_publicdetails?submission\\_id=24959241&Show-Comments=Yes&sqlstr=null&recordcount=0&User\\_title=Detail-Query%20Results&EndPointRpt=Y#submission](https://ofmpub.epa.gov/opptpv/public_search_publicdetails?submission_id=24959241&Show-Comments=Yes&sqlstr=null&recordcount=0&User_title=Detail-Query%20Results&EndPointRpt=Y#submission)
- **Japanese NITE:** [https://www.nite.go.jp/en/chem/chrip/chrip\\_search/systemTop](https://www.nite.go.jp/en/chem/chrip/chrip_search/systemTop)
- **Japan Existing Chemical Data Base (JECDB):** [http://dra4.nihs.go.jp/mhlw\\_data/jsp/SearchPageENG.jsp](http://dra4.nihs.go.jp/mhlw_data/jsp/SearchPageENG.jsp)
- **Google:** <https://www.google.com>
- **ChemIDplus:** <https://chem.nlm.nih.gov/chemidplus/>

Search keywords: CAS number and/or material names.

	LC50 (Fish) (mg/L)	EC50 ( <i>Daphnia</i> ) (mg/L)	EC50 (Algae) (mg/L)	AF	PNEC (µg/L)	Chemical Class
RIFM Framework Screening-level (Tier 1)	<u>705.2</u>	X	X	1000000	0.7052	X

\*Information sources outside of RIFM's database are noted as appropriate in the safety assessment. This is not an exhaustive list. The links listed above were active as of 01/31/20.

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#### Appendix A. Supplementary data

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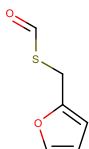
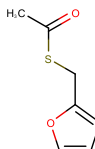
#### Appendix

##### Read-across Justification

##### Methods

The read-across analog was identified following the strategy for structuring and reporting a read-across prediction of toxicity as described in Schultz et al. (2015). The strategy is also consistent with the guidance provided by OECD within Integrated Approaches for Testing and Assessment (OECD, 2015) and the European Chemical Agency read-across assessment framework (ECHA, 2016).

- First, materials were clustered based on their structural similarity. Second, data availability and data quality on the selected cluster were examined. Third, appropriate read-across analogs from the cluster were confirmed by expert judgment.
- Tanimoto structure similarity scores were calculated using FCFC4 fingerprints (Rogers and Hahn, 2010).
- The physical–chemical properties of the target material and the read-across analogs were calculated using EPI Suite v4.11 (US EPA, 2012a).
- $J_{\max}$  values were calculated using RIFM's Skin Absorption Model (SAM). The parameters were calculated using the consensus model (Shen et al., 2014).
- DNA binding, mutagenicity, genotoxicity alerts, and oncologic classification predictions were generated using OECD QSAR Toolbox v4.2 (OECD, 2018).
- ER binding and repeat dose categorization were generated using OECD QSAR Toolbox v4.2 (OECD, 2018).
- Developmental toxicity was predicted using CAESAR v2.1.7 (Cassano et al., 2010).
- Protein binding was predicted using OECD QSAR Toolbox v4.2 (OECD, 2018), and skin sensitization was predicted using Toxtree.
- The major metabolites for the target material and read-across analogs were determined and evaluated using OECD QSAR Toolbox v4.2 (OECD, 2018).

	Target Material	Read-across Material
<b>Principal Name</b>	2-Furanmethanethiol formate	Furfuryl thioacetate
<b>CAS No.</b>	59020-90-5	13678-68-7
<b>Structure</b>		
<b>Similarity (Tanimoto Score)</b>		0.80
<b>SMILES</b>	O=CSCc1ccco1	CC(=O)SCc1ccco1
<b>Endpoint</b>		• Genotoxicity
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S	C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S

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	Target Material	Read-across Material
Molecular Weight	142.17	156.2
Melting Point (°C, EPI Suite)	16.56	28.44
Boiling Point (°C, EPI Suite)	223.35	231.14
Vapor Pressure (Pa @ 25°C, EPI Suite)	1.47E+01	8.65E+00
Water Solubility (mg/L, @ 25°C, WSKOW v1.42 in EPI Suite)	5.72E+03	5.51E+03
Log Kow	1.35	1.3
J <sub>max</sub> (µg/cm <sup>2</sup> /h, SAM)	53.65	32.83
Henry's Law (Pa·m <sup>3</sup> /mol, Bond Method, EPI Suite)	6.97E-01	5.10E-01
<b>Genotoxicity</b>		
DNA Binding (OASIS v1.4, QSAR Toolbox v4.2)	No alert found	No alert found
DNA Binding (OECD QSAR Toolbox v4.2)	Michael addition Michael addition >> P450 Mediated Activation of Heterocyclic Ring Systems Michael addition >> P450 Mediated Activation of Heterocyclic Ring Systems >> Furans	Michael addition Michael addition >> P450 Mediated Activation of Heterocyclic Ring Systems Michael addition >> P450 Mediated Activation of Heterocyclic Ring Systems >> Furans
Carcinogenicity (ISS)	No alert found	No alert found
DNA Binding (Ames, MN, CA, OASIS v1.1)	No alert found	No alert found
<i>In Vitro</i> Mutagenicity (Ames, ISS)	No alert found	No alert found
<i>In Vivo</i> Mutagenicity (Micronucleus, ISS)	No alert found	No alert found
Oncologic Classification	Aldehyde-type Compounds	Not classified
<b>Metabolism</b>		
Rat Liver S9 Metabolism Simulator and Structural Alerts for Metabolites (OECD QSAR Toolbox v4.2)	• See Supplemental Data 1	• See Supplemental Data 2

## Summary

There are insufficient toxicity data on 2-furanmethanethiol formate (CAS # 59020-90-5). Hence, *in silico* evaluation was conducted to determine read-across analogs for this material. Based on structural similarity, reactivity, physical–chemical properties, and expert judgment, read-across material furfuryl thioacetate (CAS # 13678-68-7) was identified as a read-across analog with sufficient data for toxicological evaluation.

## Conclusions

- Furfuryl thioacetate (CAS # 13678-68-7) was used as a read-across analog for the target material 2-furanmethanethiol formate (CAS # 59020-90-5) for the genotoxicity endpoint.
  - The target material and the read-across analog are structurally similar and belong to a class of furfuryl thioesters.
  - The target material and the read-across analog share a furfuryl thioesters structure.
  - The key difference between the target material and the read-across analog is that the target material is a thioormate while the read-across analog is a thioacetate. This structural difference is toxicologically insignificant.
  - The similarity between the target material and the read-across analog is indicated by the Tanimoto score. Differences between the structures that affect the Tanimoto score are toxicologically insignificant.
  - The physical–chemical properties of the target material and the read-across analog are sufficiently similar to enable a comparison of their toxicological properties.
  - According to the OECD QSAR Toolbox v4.2, structural alerts for toxicological endpoints are consistent between the target material and the read-across analog.
  - OECD QSAR Toolbox has classified the target material as an aldehyde-type compound. This is a false alert due to the presence of a formate carbonyl group. This alert can be ignored.
  - The target material and the read-across analog are expected to be metabolized similarly, as shown by the metabolism simulator.
  - The structural alerts for the endpoints evaluated are consistent between the metabolites of the read-across analog and the target material.

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