



# RIFM fragrance ingredient safety assessment, 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane, CAS Registry Number 1708-34-5

A.M. Api<sup>a</sup>, D. Belsito<sup>b</sup>, D. Botelho<sup>a</sup>, M. Bruze<sup>c</sup>, G.A. Burton Jr.<sup>d</sup>, J. Buschmann<sup>e</sup>, M. A. Cancellieri<sup>a</sup>, M.L. Dagli<sup>f</sup>, M. Date<sup>a</sup>, W. Dekant<sup>g</sup>, C. Deodhar<sup>a</sup>, A.D. Fryer<sup>h</sup>, L. Jones<sup>a</sup>, K. Joshi<sup>a</sup>, M. Kumar<sup>a</sup>, A. Lapczynski<sup>a</sup>, M. Lavelle<sup>a</sup>, I. Lee<sup>a</sup>, D.C. Liebler<sup>i</sup>, H. Moustakas<sup>a</sup>, M. Na<sup>a</sup>, T.M. Penning<sup>j</sup>, G. Ritacco<sup>a</sup>, J. Romine<sup>a</sup>, N. Sadekar<sup>a</sup>, T.W. Schultz<sup>k</sup>, D. Selechnik<sup>a</sup>, F. Siddiqi<sup>a</sup>, I.G. Sipes<sup>l</sup>, G. Sullivan<sup>a,\*</sup>, Y. Thakkar<sup>a</sup>, Y. Tokura<sup>m</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc., 50 Tice Boulevard, Woodcliff Lake, NJ, 07677, USA

<sup>b</sup> Member Expert Panel, Columbia University Medical Center, Department of Dermatology, 161 Fort Washington Ave., New York, NY, 10032, USA

<sup>c</sup> Member Expert Panel, Malmö University Hospital, Department of Occupational & Environmental Dermatology, Sodra Forstadsgatan 101, Entrance 47, Malmö, SE, 20502, Sweden

<sup>d</sup> Member Expert Panel, School of Natural Resources & Environment, University of Michigan, Dana Building G110, 440 Church St., Ann Arbor, MI, 48109, USA

<sup>e</sup> Member Expert Panel, Fraunhofer Institute for Toxicology and Experimental Medicine, Nikolai-Fuchs-Strasse 1, 30625, Hannover, Germany

<sup>f</sup> Member Expert Panel, University of São Paulo, School of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science, Department of Pathology, Av. Prof. Dr. Orlando Marques de Paiva, 87, São Paulo, CEP 05508-900, Brazil

<sup>g</sup> Member Expert Panel, University of Würzburg, Department of Toxicology, Versbacher Str. 9, 97078, Würzburg, Germany

<sup>h</sup> Member Expert Panel, Oregon Health Science University, 3181 SW Sam Jackson Park Rd., Portland, OR, 97239, USA

<sup>i</sup> Member Expert Panel, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Department of Biochemistry, Center in Molecular Toxicology, 638 Robinson Research Building, 2200 Pierce Avenue, Nashville, TN, 37232-0146, USA

<sup>j</sup> Member of Expert Panel, University of Pennsylvania, Perelman School of Medicine, Center of Excellence in Environmental Toxicology, 1316 Biomedical Research Building (BRB) II/III, 421 Curie Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA, 19104-3083, USA

<sup>k</sup> Member Expert Panel, The University of Tennessee, College of Veterinary Medicine, Department of Comparative Medicine, 2407 River Dr., Knoxville, TN, 37996-4500, USA

<sup>l</sup> Member Expert Panel, Department of Pharmacology, University of Arizona, College of Medicine, 1501 North Campbell Avenue, P.O. Box 245050, Tucson, AZ, 85724-5050, USA

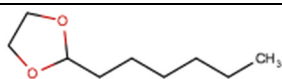
<sup>m</sup> Member Expert Panel, The Journal of Dermatological Science (JDS), Editor-in-Chief, Professor and Chairman, Department of Dermatology, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, 1-20-1 Handayama, Higashi-ku, Hamamatsu, 431-3192, Japan

## ARTICLE INFO

Handling Editor: Dr. Jose Luis Domingo

Version: 071521. Initial publication. All fragrance materials are evaluated on a five-year rotating basis. Revised safety assessments are published if new relevant data become available. Open access to all RIFM Fragrance Ingredient Safety Assessments is here: [fragrancematerialsafetyresource.elsevier.com](http://fragrancematerialsafetyresource.elsevier.com).

Name: 2-Hexyl-1,3-dioxolane  
CAS Registry Number: 1708-34-5



(continued)

### Abbreviation/Definition List:

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

**AF** - Assessment Factor

**BCF** - Bioconcentration Factor

**CNIH** - Confirmation of No Induction in Humans test. A human repeat insult patch test that is performed to confirm an already determined safe use level for fragrance ingredients (Na et al., 2020)

(continued on next page)

(continued on next column)

\* Corresponding author.

E-mail address: [gsullivan@rifm.org](mailto:gsullivan@rifm.org) (G. Sullivan).

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.fct.2021.112530>

Received 16 July 2021; Accepted 29 August 2021

Available online 1 September 2021

0278-6915/© 2021 Elsevier Ltd. All rights reserved.

(continued)

**Creame RIFM Model** - The Creame 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

**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-Hexyl-1,3-dioxolane was evaluated for genotoxicity, repeated dose toxicity, reproductive toxicity, local respiratory toxicity, phototoxicity/photoallergenicity, skin sensitization, and environmental safety. Data show that 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane is not genotoxic. The repeated dose, reproductive, and local respiratory toxicity

(continued on next column)

(continued)

endpoints were evaluated using the Threshold of Toxicological Concern (TTC) for a Cramer Class III material, and the exposure to 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane is below the TTC (0.0015 mg/kg/day, 0.0015 mg/kg/day, and 0.47 mg/day, respectively). Data from 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane provided a No Expected Sensitization Induction Level (NESIL) of 2700  $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$  for the skin sensitization endpoint. The phototoxicity/photoallergenicity endpoints were evaluated based on ultraviolet/visible spectra (UV/Vis) spectra; 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane is not expected to be phototoxic/photoallergenic. The environmental endpoints were evaluated; 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane 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  $< 1$ .

#### Human Health Safety Assessment

**Genotoxicity:** Not genotoxic. (RIFM, 2015; RIFM, 2016b)

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

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

**Skin Sensitization:** NESIL = 2700  $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ . RIFM (2006b)

**Phototoxicity/Photoallergenicity:** Not expected to be phototoxic/photoallergenic. (UV/Vis Spectra, RIFM Database)

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

#### Environmental Safety Assessment

##### Hazard Assessment:

##### Persistence:

Screening-level: 3.1 (BIOWIN 3) (EPI Suite v4.11; US EPA, 2012a)

##### Bioaccumulation:

Screening-level: 22.9 L/kg (EPI Suite v4.11; US EPA, 2012a)

##### Ecotoxicity:

Screening-level: Fish LC50: 68.14 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: 68.14 mg/L (RIFM Framework; Salvito, 2002)

RIFM PNEC is: 0.06814  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$

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

## 1. Identification

- Chemical Name:** 2-Hexyl-1,3-dioxolane
- CAS Registry Number:** 1708-34-5
- Synonyms:** 1,3-Dioxolane, 2-hexyl-; Heptaldehyde, ethylene glycol acetal; Heptanal, cyclic ethylene acetal; Citrone; 2 - ヘキシル - 1 , 3 - ジオキソラン; Citrone Ketone B (citrone B); Ylamone; 2-Hexyl-1,3-dioxolane
- Molecular Formula:**  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_2$
- Molecular Weight:** 158.24
- RIFM Number:** 5258
- Stereochemistry:** Isomer not specified. One chiral center and a total of 2 enantiomers possible.

## 2. Physical data

- Boiling Point:** 203.61 °C (EPI Suite)
- Flash Point:** 67 °C (Globally Harmonized System)
- Log K<sub>OW</sub>:** 2.57 (EPI Suite)
- Melting Point:** 6.35 °C (EPI Suite)
- Water Solubility:** 448.9 mg/L (EPI Suite)
- Specific Gravity:** Not available
- Vapor Pressure:** 0.299 mm Hg at 20 °C (EPI Suite v4.0), 0.436 mm Hg at 25 °C (EPI Suite)

8. **UV Spectra:** No absorbance between 290 and 700 nm; molar absorption coefficient is below the benchmark ( $1000 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1}$ )
9. **Appearance/Organoleptic:** *Arctander, Volume I, 1969*: A colorless oily liquid with a sharp-herbaceous, fruity-weedy-green odor

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

1. 0.1–1 metric tons per year (*IFRA, 2015*)

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

2. **95th Percentile Concentration in Hydroalcohols:** 0.01% (*RIFM, 2016a*)
3. **Inhalation Exposure\*:** 0.00036 mg/kg/day or 0.026 mg/day (*RIFM, 2016a*)
4. **Total Systemic Exposure\*\*:** 0.00056 mg/kg/day (*RIFM, 2016a*)

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

\*\*95th percentile calculated exposure; assumes 100% absorption unless modified by dermal absorption data as reported in Section IV. 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, 2015, 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 v3.1	OECD QSAR Toolbox v4.2
III	III	III

#### 2. Analogs Selected:

- a. **Genotoxicity:** None
- 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:** None

### 7. Metabolism

Not considered for this risk assessment and therefore not reviewed except where it may pertain in specific endpoint sections as discussed below.

### 8. Natural occurrence

2-Hexyl-1,3-dioxolane 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

Pre-registered for 2010; no dossier available as of 07/15/21.

### 10. Conclusion

The maximum acceptable concentrations<sup>a</sup> in finished products for 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane are detailed below.

IFRA Category <sup>b</sup>	Description of Product Type	Maximum Acceptable Concentrations <sup>a</sup> in Finished Products (%)
1	Products applied to the lips (lipstick)	0.21
2	Products applied to the axillae	0.062
3	Products applied to the face/body using fingertips	1.2
4	Products related to fine fragrances	1.2
5A	Body lotion products applied to the face and body using the hands (palms), primarily leave-on	0.29
5B	Face moisturizer products applied to the face and body using the hands (palms), primarily leave-on	0.29
5C	Hand cream products applied to the face and body using the hands (palms), primarily leave-on	0.29
5D	Baby cream, oil, talc	0.29
6	Products with oral and lip exposure	0.68
7	Products applied to the hair with some hand contact	2.4
8	Products with significant anogenital exposure (tampon)	0.12
9	Products with body and hand exposure, primarily rinse-off (bar soap)	2.3
10A	Household care products with mostly hand contact (hand dishwashing detergent)	8.1
10B	Aerosol air freshener	8.1
11	Products with intended skin contact but minimal transfer of fragrance to skin from inert substrate (feminine hygiene pad)	4.5
12	Other air care products not intended for direct skin contact, minimal or insignificant transfer to skin	No Restriction

Note: <sup>a</sup>Maximum acceptable concentrations for each product category are based on the lowest maximum acceptable concentrations (based on systemic toxicity, skin sensitization, or any other endpoint evaluated in this safety assessment). For 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane, the basis was a skin sensitization NESIL of  $2700 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ .

<sup>b</sup>For a description of the categories, refer to the IFRA RIFM Information Booklet (<https://www.rifm.org/downloads/RIFM-IFRA%20Guidance-for-the-use-of-IFRA-Standards.pdf>).

<sup>c</sup>Calculations by Creme RIFM Aggregate Exposure Model v3.0.5.

## 11. Summary

### 11.1. Human health endpoint summaries

#### 11.1.1. Genotoxicity

Based on the current existing data, 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane does not present a concern for genotoxicity.

**11.1.1.1. Risk assessment.** 2-Hexyl-1,3-dioxolane was assessed in the BlueScreen assay and found negative for both cytotoxicity (positive: <80% relative cell density) and genotoxicity, with and without metabolic activation (RIFM, 2013). BlueScreen is a human cell-based assay for measuring the genotoxicity and cytotoxicity of chemical compounds and mixtures. Additional assays were considered to fully assess the potential mutagenic or clastogenic effects of the target material.

The mutagenic activity of 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane has been evaluated in a bacterial reverse mutation assay conducted in compliance with GLP regulations and 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 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane 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, 2015). Under the conditions of the study, 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane was not mutagenic in the Ames test.

The clastogenic activity of 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane was evaluated in an *in vitro* micronucleus test conducted in compliance with GLP regulations and accordance with OECD TG 487. Human peripheral blood lymphocytes were treated with 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane in DMSO at concentrations up to 1580 µg/mL in the dose ranging finding (DRF) study; micronuclei analysis was conducted at concentrations up to 326 µg/mL in the presence and absence of S9 for 3 h and the absence of metabolic activation for 24 h. 2-Hexyl-1,3-dioxolane did not induce binucleated cells with micronuclei when tested up to cytotoxic concentrations in either the presence or absence of an S9 activation system (RIFM, 2016b). Under the conditions of the study, 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane was considered to be non-clastogenic in the *in vitro* micronucleus test.

Based on the data available, 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane does not present a concern for genotoxic potential.

**Additional References:** None.

**Literature Search and Risk Assessment Completed On:** 06/09/21.

#### 11.1.2. Repeated dose toxicity

There are no repeated dose toxicity data on 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane or any read-across materials. The total systemic exposure to 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane 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-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane or on any read-across materials that can be used

to support the repeated dose toxicity endpoint. The total systemic exposure to 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane (0.56 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:** 06/03/21.

#### 11.1.3. Reproductive toxicity

There are no reproductive toxicity data on 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane or any read-across materials. The total systemic exposure to 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane 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-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane or on any read-across materials that can be used to support the reproductive toxicity endpoint. The total systemic exposure to 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane (0.56 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:** 06/24/21.

#### 11.1.4. Skin sensitization

Based on the existing data, 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane is considered a skin sensitizer with a defined NESIL of 2700 µg/cm<sup>2</sup>.

**11.1.4.1. Risk assessment.** Based on the existing data, 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane is considered a skin sensitizer. The chemical structure of this material indicates that it would not be expected to react with skin proteins (Roberts, 2007; Toxtree v3.1.0; OECD Toolbox v4.2). 2-Hexyl-1,3-dioxolane was found to be negative in an *in vitro* direct peptide reactivity assay (DPRA) and KeratinoSens assay (RIFM, 2016c; RIFM, 2016d). However, in a murine local lymph node assay (LLNA), 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane was found to be sensitizing with an EC3 value of 64.98% (16245 µg/cm<sup>2</sup>) (RIFM, 2006a). In a Confirmation of No Induction in Humans test (CNIH) with 5% or 2777 µg/cm<sup>2</sup> of 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane in 3:1 diethyl phthalate:ethanol, no reactions indicative of sensitization were observed in any of the 106 volunteers (RIFM, 2006b).

Based on the weight of evidence (WoE) from structural analysis, animal, and human studies 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane is a weak sensitizer with a WoE NESIL of 2700 µg/cm<sup>2</sup> (see Table 1). Section X provides the maximum acceptable concentrations in finished products, which take into account skin sensitization and application of the Quantitative Risk Assessment (QRA2) described by Api et al. (RIFM, 2020).

**Additional References:** RIFM, 2017.

**Literature Search and Risk Assessment Completed On:** 06/24/21.

**Table 1**

Data summary for 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane.

LLNA Weighted Mean EC3 Value µg/cm <sup>2</sup> (No. Studies)	Potency Classification Based on Animal Data <sup>a</sup>	Human Data			
		NOEL-CNIH (Induction) µg/cm <sup>2</sup>	NOEL-HMT (Induction) µg/cm <sup>2</sup>	LOEL <sup>b</sup> (Induction) µg/cm <sup>2</sup>	WoE NESIL <sup>c</sup> µg/cm <sup>2</sup>
16245 [1]	Weak	2777	n/a	n/a	2700

NOEL = No observed effect level; CNIH = Confirmation of No Induction in Humans test; HMT = Human Maximization Test; LOEL = lowest observed effect level; NA = Not Available.

<sup>a</sup> Based on animal data using classification defined in ECETOC, Technical Report No. 87, 2003.

<sup>b</sup> Data derived from CNIH or HMT.

<sup>c</sup> WoE NESIL limited to 2 significant figures.

### 11.1.5. Phototoxicity/photoallergenicity

Based on the available UV/Vis spectra, 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane would not be expected to present a concern for phototoxicity or photoallergenicity.

**11.1.5.1. Risk assessment.** There are no phototoxicity studies available for 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane in experimental models. UV/Vis absorption spectra indicate no absorption between 290 and 700 nm. The corresponding molar absorption coefficient is below the benchmark of concern for phototoxicity and photoallergenicity (Henry, 2009). Based on the lack of absorbance, 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane does not present a concern for phototoxicity or photoallergenicity.

**11.1.5.2. UV spectra analysis.** UV/Vis absorption spectra (OECD TG 101) were obtained. The spectra indicate no absorbance in the range of 290–700 nm. 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:** 06/03/21.

### 11.1.6. Local Respiratory Toxicity

The margin of exposure could not be calculated due to a lack of appropriate data. The exposure level for 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane 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-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane. Based on the Creme RIFM Model, the inhalation exposure is 0.026 mg/day. This exposure is 18.1 times lower 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:** 06/24/21.

## 11.2. Environmental endpoint summary

### 11.2.1. Screening-level assessment

A screening-level risk assessment of 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane 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-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane 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-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane as possibly 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 VoU (2015), 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane presents no risk to the aquatic compartment in the screening-level assessment.

### 11.2.2. Key studies

**11.2.2.1. Biodegradation.** No data available.

**11.2.2.2. Ecotoxicity.** No data available.

**11.2.2.3. Other available data.** 2-Hexyl-1,3-dioxolane has been pre-registered under REACH with no additional data at this time.

**11.2.2.4. 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.

	LC50 (Fish) (mg/L)	EC50 (Daphnia) (mg/L)	EC50 (Algae) (mg/L)	AF	PNEC ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	Chemical Class
RIFM Framework Screening-level (Tier 1)	<u>68.14</u>			1000000	0.06814	



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

Exposure	Europe (EU)	North America (NA)
Log K <sub>ow</sub> Used	2.57	2.57
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 0.06814 µg/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:** 06/25/21.

## 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:** <https://www.oecd.org/chemicalsafety/risk-assessment/oecd-qsar-toolbox.htm>
- **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://hvpchemicals.oecd.org/ui/Default.aspx>
- **EPA ACToR:** <https://actor.epa.gov/actor/home.xhtml>
- **US EPA HPVIS:** [https://ofmpub.epa.gov/opthpv/public\\_search\\_publicdetails?submission\\_id=24959241&ShowComments=Yes&sqlstr=null&recordcount=0&User\\_title=DetailQuery%20Results&EndPointRpt=Y#submission](https://ofmpub.epa.gov/opthpv/public_search_publicdetails?submission_id=24959241&ShowComments=Yes&sqlstr=null&recordcount=0&User_title=DetailQuery%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.

\*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 07/15/21.

## Declaration of competing interest

The authors declare that they have no known competing financial interests or personal relationships that could have appeared to influence the work reported in this paper. We wish to confirm that there are no known conflicts of interest associated with this publication and there has been no significant financial support for this work that could have influenced its outcome. RIFM staff are employees of the Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc. (RIFM). The Expert Panel receives

a small honorarium for time spent reviewing the subject work.

## References

- Api, A.M., Belsito, D., Bruze, M., Cadby, P., Calow, P., Dagli, M.L., Dekant, W., Ellis, G., Fryer, A.D., Fukayama, M., Griem, P., Hickey, C., Kromidas, L., Lalko, J.F., Liebler, D.C., Miyachi, Y., Politano, V.T., Renskers, K., Ritacco, G., Salvito, D., Schultz, T.W., Sipes, I.G., Smith, B., Vitale, D., Wilcox, D.K., 2015. Criteria for the Research Institute for fragrance materials, Inc. (RIFM) safety evaluation process for fragrance ingredients. *Food Chem. Toxicol.* 82, S1–S19.
- Arctander, S., 1969. *Perfume and Flavor Chemicals (Aroma Chemicals)*, vols. I and II. Published by the author: Montclair, NJ (USA).
- Carthew, P., Clapp, C., Gutsell, S., 2009. Exposure based waiving: the application of the toxicological threshold of concern (TTC) to inhalation exposure for aerosol ingredients in consumer products. *Food Chem. Toxicol.* 47 (6), 1287–1295.
- Comiskey, D., Api, A.M., Barratt, C., Daly, E.J., Ellis, G., McNamara, C., O'Mahony, C., Robison, S.H., Safford, B., Smith, B., Tozer, S., 2015. Novel database for exposure to fragrance ingredients in cosmetics and personal care products. *Regul. Toxicol. Pharmacol.* 72 (3), 660–672.
- Comiskey, D., Api, A.M., Barrett, C., Ellis, G., McNamara, C., O'Mahony, C., Robison, S.H., Rose, J., Safford, B., Smith, B., Tozer, S., 2017. Integrating habits and practices data for soaps, cosmetics and air care products into an existing aggregate exposure model. *Regul. Toxicol. Pharmacol.* 88, 144–156.
- ECHA, 2012. *Guidance on Information Requirements and Chemical Safety Assessment Chapter R.11: PBT Assessment*, November 2012 v1.1. <http://echa.europa.eu/>.
- Henry, B., Foti, C., Alsante, K., 2009. Can light absorption and photostability data be used to assess the photosafety risks in patients for a new drug molecule? *J. Photochem. Photobiol. B Biol.* 96 (1), 57–62.
- IFRA (International Fragrance Association), 2015. *Volume of Use Survey*. February 2015.
- Kroes, R., Renwick, A.G., Feron, V., Galli, C.L., Gibney, M., Greim, H., Guy, R.H., Lhuguenot, J.C., van de Sandt, J.J.M., 2007. Application of the threshold of toxicological concern (TTC) to the safety evaluation of cosmetic ingredients. *Food Chem. Toxicol.* 45 (12), 2533–2562.
- Laufersweiler, M.C., Gadagbui, B., Baskerville-Abraham, I.M., Maier, A., Willis, A., et al., 2012. Correlation of chemical structure with reproductive and developmental toxicity as it relates to the use of the threshold of toxicological concern. *Regul. Toxicol. Pharmacol.* 62 (1), 160–182.
- Na, M., Ritacco, G., O'Brien, D., Lavelle, M., Api, A., Basketter, D., 2020. *Fragrance Skin Sensitization Evaluation and Human Testing*. Dermatitis. <https://doi.org/10.1097/DER.0000000000000684>. November 16, 2020. Volume Publish Ahead of Print Issue. Retrieved from.
- RIFM (Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc.), 2006a. 2-Hexyl-1,3-dioxolane and Alpha-Hexylcinnamaldehyde: Local Lymph Node Assay. RIFM, Woodcliff Lake, NJ, USA. Unpublished report from International Flavors and Fragrances. RIFM report number 51589.
- RIFM (Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc.), 2006b. Repeated Insult Patch Test with 2-Hexyl-1,3-Dioxolane. RIFM, Woodcliff Lake, NJ, USA. Unpublished report from International Flavors and Fragrances. RIFM report number 53942.
- RIFM (Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc.), 2013. Report on the Testing of 2-Hexyl-1,3-Dioxolane in the BlueScreen HC Assay (-/+ S9 Metabolic Activation). RIFM, Woodcliff Lake, NJ, USA. RIFM report number 65722.
- RIFM (Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc.), 2015. 2-hexyl-1,3-dioxolane: Bacterial Reverse Mutation Assay: Plate Incorporation Method with a Confirmatory Assay. RIFM, Woodcliff Lake, NJ, USA [Amendment attached] RIFM report number 69238.
- RIFM (Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc.), 2016a. Exposure Survey 13. November 2016.
- RIFM (Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc.), 2016b. 2-Hexyl-1,3-dioxolane: in Vitro Mammalian Cell Micronucleus Assay in Human Peripheral Blood Lymphocytes (HPBL). RIFM, Woodcliff Lake, NJ, USA. RIFM report number 69869.
- RIFM (Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc.), 2016c. Direct Peptide Reactivity Assay (DPRA) in Fragrance Materials. RIFM, Woodcliff Lake, NJ, USA. RIFM report number 72229.
- RIFM (Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc.), 2016d. Induction of Antioxidant-Response-Element Dependent Gene Activity and Cytotoxicity (Using MTT) in the Keratinocyte ARE-Reporter Cell Line KeratinoSens. RIFM Report Number 72236. RIFM, Woodcliff Lake, NJ, USA.
- RIFM (Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc.), 2017. Evaluation of the Sensitization Potential Using the SENS-IS Test of Multiple Materials. RIFM, Woodcliff Lake, NJ, USA. RIFM report number 72532.
- RIFM (Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc.), 2020. Updating Exposure Assessment for Skin Sensitization Quantitative Risk Assessment for Fragrance Materials. RIFM, Woodcliff Lake, NJ, USA. RIFM report number 76775.
- Roberts, D.W., Patlewicz, G., Kern, P.S., Gerberick, F., Kimber, I., Dearman, R.J., Ryan, C.A., Basketter, D.A., Aptula, A.O., 2007. Mechanistic applicability domain classification of a local lymph node assay dataset for skin sensitization. *Chem. Res. Toxicol.* 20 (7), 1019–1030.
- Safford, B., Api, A.M., Barratt, C., Comiskey, D., Daly, E.J., Ellis, G., McNamara, C., O'Mahony, C., Robison, S., Smith, B., Thomas, R., Tozer, S., 2015. Use of an

- aggregate exposure model to estimate consumer exposure to fragrance ingredients in personal care and cosmetic products. *Regul. Toxicol. Pharmacol.* 72, 673–682.
- Safford, B., Api, A.M., Barratt, C., Comiskey, D., Ellis, G., McNamara, C., O'Mahony, C., Robison, S., Rose, J., Smith, B., Tozer, S., 2017. Application of the expanded Creme RIFM consumer exposure model to fragrance ingredients in cosmetic, personal care and air care products. *Regul. Toxicol. Pharmacol.* 86, 148–156.
- Salvito, D.T., Senna, R.J., Federle, T.W., 2002. A Framework for prioritizing fragrance materials for aquatic risk assessment. *Environ. Toxicol. Chem.* 21 (6), 1301–1308.
- US EPA, 2012a. Estimation Programs Interface Suite for Microsoft Windows, v4.0–v4.11. United States Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, DC, USA.
- US EPA, 2012b. The ECOSAR (ECOLOGical Structure Activity Relationship) Class Program for Microsoft Windows, v1.11. United States Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, DC, USA.