Union Authorization for a Biocidal Product Family

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Evonik's Involvement in Biocides Business within EU

Evonik Nutrition & Care

Products for use in the areas consumer goods, nutrition and health



Biocidal Actives

Ampholyt, Chlorhexidine digluconate Products Types 1, 2, 3 & 4

Current activities for UA-BPF

Ampholyt Products Types 2, 3 & 4

Evonik Resource Efficiency

Environmentally friendly and energy efficient systems as solutions for several industries



Biocidal Actives

Hydrogen Peroxide, Peracetic Acid, Silicon dioxide Products Types 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 11, 12 & 18

Current activities for UA-BPF

Hydrogen Peroxide & Peracetic Acid Products Types 2, 3, 4 & 5



Why choosing Union Authorization of Biocidal Product Families?



General benefits of union authorizations of biocidal product families (UA-BPF):

- Route from market in single countries to the entire EU
- Secure marketability of active substances
- Future business opportunities via change procedures
- Cost effective way for SMEs to gain access to the market
- Well defined process



Key steps of UA-BPF

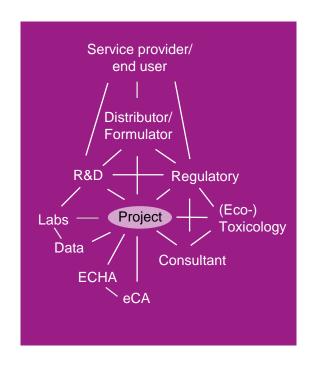
Business decision Concept with or without onboarding of customers formulations Development of family structure Collection of information on products, uses and applications Generation of efficacy and physical-chemical data Pre-submission meeting with eCA Focus on applications, family concept and data gap filling Advise on further development of family concept by eCA Declaration of intention by Applicant ECHA Pre-submission meeting Clarity on family concept by ECHA and MS Dossier preparation Risk assessment based on efficacy and hazard of active substances and co-formulants Discussions with eCA and customers Evaluation and authorization



Challenges from industry perspective

Set-up of an developmental project with clear responsibilities:

- Contractual framework requires legal resources (letter of access, further contracts etc.)
- High demand on internal regulatory and R&D expertise
- Choice of partners: consultants and external labs with high level of expertise and capacities needed
- Intense communication with customers and end-users on products, uses & applications
- Product development based upon regulatory needs at a late stage





Issues during dossier preparation (1/2)

Topics	Problems
Efficacy of Disinfectants	New comprehensive guidance requires new efficacy testing. Frequently, available data does not fit to the intended application and claims.
Co-Formulants / Substances of Concern (SoC)	How to discriminate a 2 nd active from a clever formulation? Definition of SoC and consequences for risk assessment, storage stability, analytics etc.
Dietary risk assessment	Appropriate guidance for professional applications is lacking.
Information on applications	Detailed information on end use is needed, but frequently not known.
Fogging	Efficacy testing of the system consisting of the active and the apparatus requires multiple testing for different systems.



Issues during dossier preparation (2/2)

Topics	Problems
Wet wipes	Carrier material requires an own metaSPC even though risk to humans and environment is lower or the same as for liquids.
Classification & Labelling	Product classification strongly influences family structure. BUT in some cases RAC decision on harmonized classification of active substances is missing.
Exposure models	Many exposure models are more than 10 years old, extremely conservative and not reflecting currents operational procedures. Furthermore, some models do not exist at all (eg. foam spraying).
IT tools	Several IT tools and data formats have to be used (R4BP3, IUCLID, SPC editor, PAR). Continuous alignment of tools, formats and labels necessary.
Publication of SPC	Details of SPC publication may contradict confidential business information.



Most important are the product applications - You can't be early enough to discuss with your customers and your active substance supplier!

"High workload & costs"

"Industry and Authorities are learning side-by-side."

"Game changer"

"UA-BPF is a well defined process coordinated by ECHA."

"Open and clear communication between eCA and Applicant needed."

"By the time you get closer to the solution you understand the complexity of the problem."

"Informed customers are crucial for success."

"Work in progress"

"Challenge are the IT tools."

"Fees are an extremely high burden."

"Key role of eCA"





Thanks!

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Abbreviations

eCA **Evaluating Competent Authority**

International uniform chemical information database **IUCLID**

MS Member State

PAR **Product Assessment Report**

RAC Committee for Risk Assessment

R4BP3 Register for biocidal products

Research and development R&D

SME Small and medium-sized enterprise

SoC Substance of concern

SPC Summary of product characteristics

UA-BPF Union authorization of a biocidal product family

