



Integrated testing strategies for REACH - practical answers to your questions

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OSIRIS Project

The OSIRIS project develops integrated testing strategies (ITS) fit for REACH that enable risk managers to significantly increase the use of non-testing information for regulatory decision making, and thus to minimise the need for animal testing.

To ensure optimal uptake of the results obtained in this project, end-users in industry and regulatory authorities (EU-Stakeholders) are closely involved in monitoring and in providing specific technical contributions to this project.

The workshop

This workshop will present in-depth knowledge of the integrated testing strategies in relation to REACH. Experts from industry, academia and government will present you the available testing methods and explain how they can be used in REACH. The discussions will focus on matching the REACH requirements with the alternative testing strategies with respect to human and ecological endpoints and will give answer to the following questions:

- Under which conditions are the proposed integrated testing strategies operational for being used under REACH?
- Is the pool of existing information sufficient to conduct integrated testing strategies and if not, which additional information needs to be accumulated?
- Can you reduce the amount of testing, especially animal testing (reducing costs and time) without sacrificing accuracy, validity and reliability of the results?

Registration

Registration is open now until the **15 November 2008** deadline.

Please register at <http://www.osiris-reach.eu/>. Note that the number of participants for this workshop is limited to 120 and on a first come, first serve basis.

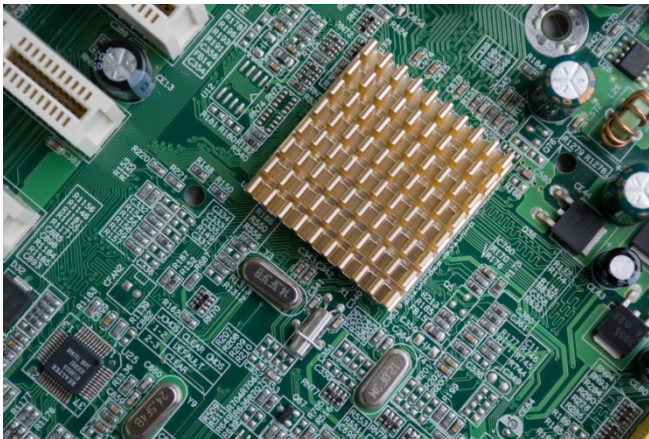


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Programme

8.30	On-site Registration, Coffee and refreshments	
9.30	<p>Welcome and introduction to the OSIRIS framework <i>Prof. Dr. Gerrit Schüürmann, Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research - UFZ, Germany</i> <i>Dr. Georges Deschamps, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium</i></p> <p><i>Moderation: Prof. Dr. Ortwin Renn & Christina Benighaus, DIALOGIK and University of Stuttgart, Germany, Frederic Boudier, King's Centre for Risk Management, King's College London, UK</i></p>	14.00
9.45	<p>REACH: alternative testing – a new practical approach <i>Evelin Fabjan, European Chemicals Agency - ECHA, Finland</i></p>	<p>Carousel method: process addressing the three leading questions (see below) and the three issues addressed in the papers by the opponents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Under which conditions are the proposed integrated testing strategies operational for being used under REACH? - Is the pool of existing information sufficient to conduct integrated testing strategies and if not, which additional information needs to be accumulated? - Can you reduce the amount of testing, especially animal testing (reducing costs and time) without sacrificing accuracy, validity and reliability of the results? <p><i>Categorisation of the proposed methods and procedures according to relevance and implementability</i></p>
10.15	<p>Human and environmental toxicity and exposure: results and critical points of the OSIRIS framework <i>Defend: Prof. Dr. Mark Cronin, School of Pharmacy and Chemistry, University of Liverpool, UK</i></p> <p><i>Second Defend: Dr. Theo Vermeire, National Institute of Public Health and the Environment - RIVM, Bilthoven, The Netherlands</i></p> <p><i>Opponent: Dr. Bette Meek, Chemical Risk Assessment, McLaughlin Centre for Population Health Risk Assessment, University of Ottawa, Canada</i></p>	15.30
11.30	Coffee break	Coffee break
12.00	<p>Integration of the components in the OSIRIS framework and use in the REACH process: results and critical points <i>Defend: Dr. J.J.M (Han) van de Sandt, Chemical Safety, TNO Quality of Life, Zeist, The Netherlands</i></p> <p><i>Opponent: Dr. Watze de Wolf, Environmental Sciences Europe, DuPont, Belgium</i></p>	16.00
13.15	Lunch	<p>Presentation of the Group results</p>
		16.30
		<p>Plenary discussion and summary of the results <i>Dr. Andrew Worth, European Chemicals Bureau, Ispra, Italy</i> <i>Prof. Dr. Gerrit Schüürmann, Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research - UFZ, Germany</i></p>
		17.00
		<p>End of the workshop, closing and farewell address <i>Prof. Dr. Gerrit Schüürmann, Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research - UFZ, Germany</i></p>

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