

Helsinki, 17 August 2022

**Addressees**

Registrant of JS\_TBEHperoxycarbonate listed in the last Appendix of this decision

**Date of submission of the dossier subject of a decision**

02/09/2020

**Registered substance subject to this decision, hereafter 'the Substance'**

Substance name: OO-tert-butyl O-(2-ethylhexyl) peroxycarbonate

EC number: 252-029-5

**Decision number:** Please refer to the REACH-IT message which delivered this communication (in format TPE-D-XXXXXXXXXX-XX-XX/F)

**DECISION ON TESTING PROPOSAL(S)**

Based on Article 40 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH), you must submit the information listed below by **24 February 2026**.

The requested information must be generated using the Substance unless otherwise specified.

**Information required from the Registrants subject to Annex X of REACH**

1. Pre-natal developmental toxicity study (Annex X, Section 8.7.2.; test method: EU B.31./OECD TG 414) by oral route, in a second species (rabbit)
2. Extended one-generation reproductive toxicity study (Annex X, Section 8.7.3.; test method: EU B.56./OECD TG 443) by oral route, in rats, specified as follows:
  - Ten weeks pre-mating exposure duration for the parental (P0) generation;
  - The highest dose level in P0 animals must be determined based on clear evidence of an adverse effect on sexual function and fertility without severe suffering or deaths in P0 animals as specified further in Appendix 1, or follow the limit dose concept. The reporting of the study must provide the justification for the setting of the dose levels.
  - Cohort 1A (Reproductive toxicity);
  - Cohort 1B (Reproductive toxicity) without extension to mate the Cohort 1B animals to produce the F2 generation.

You must report the study performed according to the above specifications. Any expansion of the study must be scientifically justified.

Reasons for the request(s) are explained in the appendix entitled "Reasons to request information required under Annex X of REACH".

**Information required depends on your tonnage band**

You must provide the information listed above for all REACH Annexes applicable to you, and in accordance with Articles 10(a) and 12(1) of REACH, the information specified in Annexes VII to X to REACH, for registration at more than 1000 tpa.

You are only required to share the costs of information that you must submit to fulfil your information requirements.

**How to comply with your information requirements**

To comply with your information requirements you must submit the information requested by this decision in an updated registration dossier by the deadline indicated above. You must also update the chemical safety report, where relevant, including any changes to classification and labelling, based on the newly generated information.

You must follow the general testing and reporting requirements provided under the Appendix entitled "Requirements to fulfil when conducting and reporting new tests for REACH purposes". For references used in this decision, please consult the Appendix entitled "List of references".

**Appeal**

This decision can be appealed to the Board of Appeal of ECHA within three months of its notification. An appeal, together with the grounds thereof, has to be submitted to ECHA in writing. An appeal has suspensive effect and is subject to a fee. Further details are described under: <http://echa.europa.eu/regulations/appeals>.

Approved<sup>1</sup> under the authority of Mike Rasenberg, Director of Hazard Assessment

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<sup>1</sup> As this is an electronic document, it is not physically signed. This communication has been approved according to ECHA's internal decision-approval process.

**Appendix A: Reasons to request information required under Annex X of REACH**

1 This decision is based on the examination of the testing proposals you submitted.

**1. Pre-natal developmental toxicity study in a second species**

2 A pre-natal developmental toxicity (PNDT) study (OECD TG 414) in two species is a standard information requirement under Annex X, Section 8.7.2. to REACH.

*1.1. Information provided to fulfil the information requirement*

3 You have submitted a testing proposal for a PNDT study according to OECD TG 414 with the Substance.

4 ECHA requested your considerations for alternative methods to fulfil the information requirement for Developmental toxicity. You provided your considerations concluding that there were no alternative methods which could be used to adapt the information requirement(s) for which testing is proposed. ECHA has taken these considerations into account.

5 ECHA agrees that a PNDT study in a second species is necessary.

*1.2. Specification of the study design*

6 You proposed testing in the rabbit as a second species. The study in the first species was conducted in the rat. The rat or the rabbit are the preferred species under the OECD TG 414 (ECHA Guidance R.7a, Section R.7.6.2.3.2.). Therefore, the study must be conducted in the rabbit.

7 You proposed testing by the oral route. ECHA agrees with your proposal because this route of administration is the most appropriate to investigate reproductive toxicity (ECHA Guidance R.7a, Section R.7.6.2.3.2.).

*1.3. Outcome*

8 Your testing proposal is accepted under Article 40(3)(a) and you are requested to conduct the test with the Substance, as specified above.

9 In the comments to the draft decision, you agree to perform the requested study.

**2. Extended one-generation reproductive toxicity study**

10 The basic test design of an extended one-generation reproductive toxicity study (EOGRTS) is a standard information requirement under Annex X to the REACH Regulation. Furthermore, column 2 of Section 8.7.3. defines when the study design needs to be expanded.

*2.1 Information provided to fulfil the information requirement*

11 You have submitted a testing proposal for an EOGRTS according to OECD TG 443 with the Substance.

12 ECHA requested your considerations for alternative methods to fulfil the information requirement for Toxicity to reproduction. You provided your considerations concluding that there were no alternative methods which could be used to adapt the information requirement(s) for which testing is proposed. ECHA has taken these considerations into account.

13 ECHA agrees that an EOGRTS is necessary.

## *2.2 Specification of the study design*

### *Species and route selection*

14 You proposed testing by oral route in rats. ECHA agrees with your proposal.

### *Pre-mating exposure duration*

15 You proposed ten weeks pre-mating exposure duration. ECHA agrees with your proposal. Ten weeks pre-mating exposure duration is required because there is no substance specific information in the dossier supporting shorter pre-mating exposure duration (ECHA Guidance R.7a, Appendix R.7.6-3). In addition, the substance is lipophilic ( $\log K_{ow} > 4.5$ ); therefore, ten weeks pre-mating is required to ensure that a steady state is reached in the parental animals before mating.

### *Dose-level setting*

16 For dose level selection, you propose that 'As no screening study (e.g. OECD 421 or 422) with the registered substance is available a pre-test (similar to OECD 422) will be needed to properly set the dose levels for the main study.' ECHA agrees with your proposal.

17 The aim of the requested test must be to demonstrate whether the classification criteria of the most severe hazard category for sexual function and fertility (Repr. 1B; H360F) and developmental toxicity (Repr. 1B; H360D) under the CLP Regulation apply for the Substance (OECD TG 443, paragraph 22; OECD GD 151, paragraph 28; Annex I Section 1.0.1. of REACH and Recital 7, Regulation 2015/282), and whether the Substance meets the criteria for a Substance of very high concern regarding endocrine disruption according to Art.57(f) of REACH as well as supporting the identification of appropriate risk management measures in the chemical safety assessment.

18 To investigate the properties of the Substance for these purposes, the highest dose level must be set on the basis of clear evidence of an adverse effect on sexual function and fertility, but no deaths (i.e., no more than 10% mortality; Section 3.7.2.4.4 of Annex I to the CLP Regulation) or severe suffering such as persistent pain and distress (OECD GD 19, paragraph 18) in the P0 animals.

19 In case there are no clear evidence of an adverse effect on sexual function and fertility, the limit dose of at least 1000 mg/kg bw/day or the highest possible dose level not causing severe suffering or deaths in P0 must be used as the highest dose level. A descending sequence of dose levels should be selected to demonstrate any dose-related effect and aiming to establish the lowest dose level as a NOAEL.

20 In summary: Unless limited by the physical/chemical nature of the Substance, the highest dose level in P0 animals must be as follows:

1) in case of clear evidence of an adverse effect on sexual function and fertility without severe

suffering or deaths in P0 animals, the highest dose level in P0 animals must be determined based on such clear evidence, or

- 2) in the absence of such clear evidence, the highest dose level in P0 animals must be set to be the highest possible dose not causing severe suffering or death, or
- 3) if there is such clear evidence but the highest dose level set on that basis would cause severe suffering or death, the highest dose level in P0 animals must be set to be the highest possible dose not causing severe suffering or death, or
- 4) the highest dose level in P0 animals must follow the limit dose concept.

- 21 You have to provide a justification with your study results demonstrating that the dose level selection meets the conditions described above.
- 22 Numerical results (i.e. incidences and magnitudes) and description of the severity of effects at all dose levels from the dose range-finding study/ies must be reported to facilitate the assessment of the dose level section and interpretation of the results of the main study.

#### *Cohorts 1A and 1B*

- 23 Cohorts 1A and 1B belong to the basic study design and must be included.
- 24 In your comments, you consider that the criteria of section 8.7.3, column 2 are not met and therefore the extension of Cohort 1B should not be requested. You clarify that the Substance has no consumer or professional uses. The joint submission information has been updated accordingly. As the use of the Substance is not leading to significant exposure of consumers and professionals (column 2, first paragraph, point (a) of Section 8.7.3.), ECHA agrees that the criteria of section 8.7.3, column 2 are not met. Consequently, the request for extension of Cohort 1B has been removed from the decision.
- 25 Histopathological investigations in Cohorts 1A and 1B
- 26 In addition to histopathological investigations of cohorts 1A, organs and tissues of Cohort 1B animals processed to block stage, including those of identified target organs, must be subjected to histopathological investigations (according to OECD TG 443, para. 67 and 72) if
- the results from Cohort 1A are equivocal,
  - the test substance is a suspected reproductive toxicant or
  - the test substance is a suspected endocrine toxicant.

#### 27 Splenic lymphocyte subpopulation analysis

- 28 Splenic lymphocyte subpopulation analysis must be conducted in Cohort 1A (OECD TG 443, paragraph 66; OECD GD 151, Annex Table 1.3).

#### 29 Investigations of sexual maturation

- 30 To improve the ability to detect rare or low-incidence effects, all F1 animals must be maintained until sexual maturation to ensure that sufficient animals (3/sex/litter/dose) are available for evaluation of balano-preputial separation or vaginal patency (OECD GD 151, paragraph 12 in conjunction with OECD TG 443, para. 47). For statistical analyses, data on sexual maturation from all evaluated animals/sex/dose must be combined to maximise the statistical power of the study.

### 2.3 Outcome

- 31 Your testing proposal is accepted under Article 40(3)(a) and you are requested to conduct the test with the Substance, as specified above.

*Further expansion of the study design*

- 32 The conditions to include the extension of Cohort 1B are currently not met. Furthermore, no triggers for the inclusion of Cohorts 2A and 2B (developmental neurotoxicity) and Cohort 3 (developmental immunotoxicity) were identified. However, you may expand the study by including the extension of Cohort 1B, Cohorts 2A and 2B and/or Cohort 3 if relevant information becomes available from other studies or during conduct of this study. Inclusion is justified if the available information meets the criteria and conditions which are described in Column 2, Section 8.7.3., Annex IX/X. You may also expand the study due to other scientific reasons in order to avoid a conduct of a new study. The study design, including any added expansions, must be fully justified and documented. Further detailed guidance on study design and triggers is provided in ECHA Guidance R.7a, Section R.7.6.

## **Appendix B: Requirements to fulfil when conducting and reporting new tests for REACH purposes**

### **A. Test methods, GLP requirements and reporting**

1. Under Article 13(3) of REACH, all new data generated as a result of this decision must be conducted according to the test methods laid down in a European Commission Regulation or to international test methods recognised by the Commission or ECHA as being appropriate.
2. Under Article 13(4) of REACH, ecotoxicological and toxicological tests and analyses must be carried out according to the GLP principles (Directive 2004/10/EC) or other international standards recognised by the Commission or ECHA.
3. Under Article 10(a)(vi) and (vii) of REACH, all new data generated as a result of this decision must be reported as study summaries, or as robust study summaries, if required under Annex I of REACH. See ECHA Practical Guide on How to report robust study summaries<sup>2</sup>.

### **B. Test material**

Before generating new data, you must agree within the joint submission on the chemical composition of the material to be tested (Test material) which must be relevant for all the registrants of the Substance.

#### **1. Selection of the Test material(s)**

The Test material used to generate the new data must be selected taking into account the following:

- the variation in compositions reported by all members of the joint submission,
- the boundary composition(s) of the Substance,
- the impact of each constituent/ impurity on the test results for the endpoint to be assessed. For example, if a constituent/ impurity of the Substance is known to have an impact on (eco)toxicity, the selected Test material must contain that constituent/ impurity.

#### **2. Information on the Test material needed in the updated dossier**

- You must report the composition of the Test material selected for each study, under the "Test material information" section, for each respective endpoint study record in IUCLID.
- The reported composition must include all constituents of each Test material and their concentration values and other parameters relevant for the property to be tested.

This information is needed to assess whether the Test material is relevant for the Substance and whether it is suitable for use by all members of the joint submission.

Technical instructions on how to report the above is available in the manual on How to prepare registration and PPORD dossiers<sup>3</sup>.

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<sup>2</sup> <https://echa.europa.eu/practical-guides>

<sup>3</sup> <https://echa.europa.eu/manuals>

**Appendix C: Procedure**

ECHA started the testing proposal evaluation in accordance with Article 40(1) on 9 November 2020.

ECHA held a third party consultation for the testing proposal(s) from 21 January 2021 until 8 March 2021. ECHA did not receive information from third parties.

ECHA followed the procedure detailed in Articles 50 and 51 of REACH.

ECHA notified you of the draft decision and invited you to provide comments.

ECHA took into account your comments and amended the request(s) and the deadline.

In your comments on the draft decision, you requested an extension of the deadline to provide information from 30 to 36 months from the date of adoption of the decision. You justified your request with the need of conducting dose range finding tests, and with limited laboratory capacity. To support your request, you provided documentary evidence from a test laboratory.

The time indicated in the draft decision is sufficient to perform dose range studies prior to main studies. However, the documentary evidence from a test laboratory indicates that 36 months are needed for the requested studies.

On this basis, ECHA has extended the deadline to 36 months.

ECHA notified the draft decision to the competent authorities of the Member States for proposals for amendment.

As no amendments were proposed, ECHA adopted the decision under Article 51(3) of REACH.

The deadline of the decision has been exceptionally extended by additional 6 months from the deadline granted by ECHA to take into account currently longer lead times in contract research organisations.



**Appendix D: List of references - ECHA Guidance<sup>4</sup> and other supporting documents**Evaluation of available information

Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.4 (version 1.1., December 2011), referred to as ECHA Guidance R.4 where relevant.

QSARs, read-across and grouping

Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.6 (version 1.0, May 2008), referred to as ECHA Guidance R.6 where relevant.

Read-across assessment framework (RAAF, March 2017)<sup>5</sup>

RAAF - considerations on multi-constituent substances and UVCBs (RAAF UVCB, March 2017)<sup>6</sup>

Physical-chemical properties

Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.7a (version 6.0, July 2017), referred to as ECHA Guidance R.7a in this decision.

Toxicology

Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.7a (version 6.0, July 2017), referred to as ECHA Guidance R.7a in this decision.

Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.7c (version 3.0, June 2017), referred to as ECHA Guidance R.7c in this decision.

Environmental toxicology and fate

Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.7a (version 6.0, July 2017), referred to as ECHA Guidance R.7a in this decision.

Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.7b (version 4.0, June 2017), referred to as ECHA Guidance R.7b in this decision.

Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.7c (version 3.0, June 2017), referred to as ECHA Guidance R.7c in this decision.

PBT assessment

Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.11 (version 3.0, June 2017), referred to as ECHA Guidance R.11 in this decision.

Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.16 (version 3.0, February 2016), referred to as ECHA Guidance R.16 in this decision.

Data sharing

Guidance on data-sharing (version 3.1, January 2017), referred to as ECHA Guidance on data sharing in this decision.

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<sup>4</sup> <https://echa.europa.eu/guidance-documents/guidance-on-information-requirements-and-chemical-safety-assessment>

<sup>5</sup> <https://echa.europa.eu/support/registration/how-to-avoid-unnecessary-testing-on-animals/grouping-of-substances-and-read-across>

<sup>6</sup> [https://echa.europa.eu/documents/10162/13630/raaf\\_uvcb\\_report\\_en.pdf/3f79684d-07a5-e439-16c3-d2c8da96a316](https://echa.europa.eu/documents/10162/13630/raaf_uvcb_report_en.pdf/3f79684d-07a5-e439-16c3-d2c8da96a316)

OECD Guidance documents<sup>7</sup>

Guidance Document on aqueous-phase aquatic toxicity testing of difficult test chemicals – No 23, referred to as OECD GD 23.

Guidance document on transformation/dissolution of metals and metal compounds in aqueous media – No 29, referred to as OECD GD 29.

Guidance Document on Standardised Test Guidelines for Evaluating Chemicals for Endocrine Disruption – No 150, referred to as OECD GD 150.

Guidance Document supporting OECD test guideline 443 on the extended one-generation reproductive toxicity test – No 151, referred to as OECD GD 151.

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<sup>7</sup> <http://www.oecd.org/chemicalsafety/testing/series-testing-assessment-publications-number.htm>

**Appendix E: Addressees of this decision and the corresponding information requirements applicable to them**

You must provide the information requested in this decision for all REACH Annexes applicable to you.

Registrant Name	Registration number	Highest REACH Annex applicable to you

Where applicable, the name of a third party representative (TPR) may be displayed in the list of recipients whereas ECHA will send the decision to the actual registrant.