TOPICAL HAZARD EVALUATION PROGRAM
OF CANDIDATE INSECT REPELLENT AI3-36375
US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PROPRIETARY COMPOUND
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A summary of the pertinent findings and recommendations of the inclosed report follows:

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1. AUTHORITY.
   b. Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of the Army, Office of The Surgeon General; the US Army Health Services Command; the US Army Environmental Hygiene Agency; the Armed Forces Pest Control Board; and the US Department of Agriculture, effective 1970 with Amendment No. 1, effective August 1974.


3. PURPOSE. The purpose of this program is to provide guidance for further entomological testing of the candidate insect repellent AI3-36375.

4. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS. A hazard evaluation of the candidate insect repellent AI3-36375, US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Proprietary Compound, was conducted by this Agency using New Zealand White rabbits for skin and eye studies, Hartley guinea pigs for a skin sensitization study and Sprague-Dawley rats for determination of oral toxicity. A tabular presentation of animal toxicity data developed in this Agency follows.*


† The experiments reported herein were performed in animal facilities fully accredited by the American Association for Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care.
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<td>0.1 ml technical grade compound to one eye of each of six New Zealand White rabbits.</td>
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<td>Rats (male) - no diluent</td>
<td>ALD &gt;4900 mg/kg</td>
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PHOTOCHEMICAL SKIN IRRITATION STUDIES

**Rabbits**

A single application (0.05 ml) of a 25 percent (w/v) solution of the compound (AI3-36375) and of a 10 percent (w/v) oil of Bergamot solution (positive control) in 95 percent ethyl alcohol, were applied to the intact skin of six rabbits. Five minutes after application, the rabbits were exposed to UV light (365 nm) for 30 minutes at a distance of 10-15 cm.

A 25 percent solution of AI3-36375 in ethanol did not cause a photochemical skin irritation reaction under test conditions. Positive control application and irradiation caused greater irritant effects than in unirradiated skin areas. Compound AI3-36375 did not cause a photochemical irritation reaction under test conditions and is not expected to cause a photochemical irritation reaction in humans. Ethanol solutions of this compound may cause a mild skin irritation response in sensitive individuals.

**Control**

Following UV exposures of the rabbits, 0.05 ml of test compound, positive control and diluent were applied to additional skin areas to serve as unirradiated control sites. Application areas were checked for skin irritation reactions at 24, 48 and 72 hours.

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<td>Intradermal injections</td>
<td>Challenge dose of test compound (last intradermal injection) did not produce a sensitization reaction.</td>
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<td>of 0.1 ml of a 0.1 percent suspension (w/v) of A13-36375 or of dinitrochlorobenzene (DNCB)* in a mixture containing 1 volume of propylene glycol and 29 volumes of saline.</td>
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<td>Ten positive control guinea pigs received and challenged with 0.1 percent suspension of DNCB.</td>
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* A known skin sensitizer.
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5. CONCLUSION. The candidate insect repellent A13-36375 has a potential for causing some slight skin irritation, but presented no acute hazard from eye or sensitization contact or from acute ingestion.

6. RECOMMENDATION. Under the provision of the Memorandum of Understanding (paragraph 1b), it is recommended that A13-36375, USDA Proprietary Compound, be approved for further testing as a candidate insect repellent. The compound should be used with caution around abrasions of the skin.

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APPENDIX

TOPOCAL HAZARD EVALUATION PROGRAM
DEFINITIONS OF CATEGORIES OF COMPOUNDS BEING CONSIDERED FOR ACUTE SKIN APPLICATION

CATEGORY I - Compounds producing no primary irritation of the intact skin or no greater than mild primary irritation of the skin surrounding an abrasion. (INTERPRETATION: No restriction for acute application to the human skin.)

CATEGORY II - Compounds producing mild primary irritation of the intact skin and the skin surrounding an abrasion. (INTERPRETATION: Should be used only on human skin found by examination to have no abrasions or may be used as a clothing impregnant.)

CATEGORY III - Compounds producing moderate primary irritation of the intact skin and the skin surrounding an abrasion. (INTERPRETATION: Should not be used directly on the skin without a prophetic patch test having been conducted on humans to determine irritation potential to human skin. May be used without patch testing, with extreme caution, as clothing impregnants. Compound should be resubmitted in the form and at the intended use concentration so that its irritation potential can be reexamined using other test techniques on animals.)

CATEGORY IV - Compounds producing moderate to severe primary irritation of the intact skin and of the skin surrounding an abrasion and, in addition, producing necrosis, vesiculation and/or eschars. (INTERPRETATION: Should be resubmitted for testing in the form and at the intended use concentration. Upon resubmission, its irritation potential will be reexamined using other test techniques on animals, prior to possible prophetic patch testing in humans, at concentrations which have been shown not to produce primary irritation in animals.)

CATEGORY V - Compounds impossible to classify because of staining of the skin or other masking effects owing to physical properties of the compound. (INTERPRETATION: Not suitable for use on humans.)

EYE CATEGORIES:

A. Compounds noninjurious to the eye. INTERPRETATION: Irritation of human eyes is not expected if the compound should accidentally get into the eyes, provided it is washed out as soon as possible.

B. Compounds producing mild injury to the cornea. INTERPRETATION: Should be used with caution around the eyes.

C. Compounds producing mild injury to the cornea, and in addition some injury to the conjunctiva. INTERPRETATION: Should be used with caution around the eyes and mucosa.
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D. Compounds producing moderate injury to the cornea. INTERPRETATION: Should be used with extreme caution around the eyes.

E. Compounds producing moderate injury to the cornea, and in addition producing some injury to the conjunctiva. INTERPRETATION: Should be used with extreme caution around the eyes and mucosa.

F. Compounds producing severe injury to the cornea and to the conjunctiva. INTERPRETATION: Should be used with extreme caution. It is recommended that use be restricted to areas other than the face.