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TOPICAL HAZARD EVALUATION PROGRAM OF

CANDIDATE INSECT REPELLENTS
AI3-36976a, 36977a, 37013a, 37014a, 37015a
US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PROPRIETARY CHEMICALS
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20. ABSTRACT (Continue on reverse side if necessary and identify by block number)

Preliminary hazard evaluations of the above candidate insect repellent chemicals were performed by means of laboratory animal studies using rats, rabbits, and guinea pigs. Chemicals AI3-36976a, 36977a, 37013a, 37014a, and 37015a caused mild primary skin irritation. Chemicals AI3-36976a, 36977a, 37013a, 37014a, and 37015a were noninjurious to the eyes of rabbits. All chemicals were relatively non-toxic by ingestion. Chemicals AI3-36976a, 36977a, 37013a, 37014a, and 37015a caused photo irritation in rabbits. All chemicals did not prove to be skin sensitizers. It is recommended that all chemicals be disapproved for further testing as candidate insect repellents due to their photo-irritation potentiating



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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose, essential findings and recommendations of the inclosed report follow:

- a. <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of this program is to provide guidance for further entomological testing of the candidate insect repellents AI3-36976a, 36977a, 37013a, 37014a, and 37015a by means of laboratory animal studies using New Zealand White rabbits, Sprague-Dawley rats and Albino Hartley guinea pigs.
- b. <u>Essential Findings</u>. The technical grade chemicals caused mild primary skin irritation, were relatively nontoxic by ingestion, were noninjurious to the eyes of rabbits and did not prove to be skin sensitizers. They all caused photo irritation in rabbits.
- c. <u>Major Recommendations</u>. Based on their photo irritation potentiating properties, it was recommended that these chemicals be disapproved for further testing as candidate insect repellents.

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#### 1. AUTHORITY.

- a. Letter, US Department of Agriculture Agriculture Research, Southern Region, Insects Affecting Man and Animals Research Laboratory, Gainesville, Florida, 22 July 1980.
- b. Memorandum of Understanding between the US Army Environmental Hygiene Agency; the US Army Health Services Command; the Department of the Army, Office of The Surgeon General; the Armed Forces Pest Control Board; and the US Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research, Science and Education Administrations; titled, Coordination of Biological and Toxicological Testing of Pesticides, effective 23 January 1979.
- 2. REFERENCE. Toxicology Division Topical Hazard Evaluation Program Procedural Guide, US Army Environmental Hygiene Agency (USAEHA), 1982.
- 3. PURPOSE. The purpose of this program is to provide guidance for further entomological testing of the candidate insect repellents AI3-36976a, AI3-37013a, AI3-37014a, and AI3-37015a, US Department of Agriculture Proprietary Chemicals.
- 4. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS. Hazard evaluations of the candidate repellents AI3-36976a, 36977a, 37013a, 37014a, and 37015a, US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Proprietary Chemicals were conducted by this Agency using New Zealand White rabbits for skin and eye studies, Sprague-Dawley rats for determination of oral toxicity, and Albino Hartley guinea pigs for sensitization studies. A tabular presentation of animal toxicity data developed in this Agency follows:\*†

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<sup>\*</sup> In conducting the studies described in this report, the investigators adhered to the "Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals," US Department of Health, Education and Welfare Publication No. (NIH) 80-23, revised 1978.

t The studies reported herein were performed in animal facilities fully accredited by the American Association for the Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care.

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#### TABLE. PRESENTATION OF DATA

Test	Results	Interpretation
SKIN IRRITATION STUDIES		
Rabbits		
Single 24-hour application to intact and abraded skin of New Zealand White rabbits.	Chemicals AI3-36976a 36977a, 37013a, 37014a, and 37015a produced mild primary irritation of the intact skin and the skin surrounding an abrasion.	USAEHA Category II (ref Appendix A)
0.5 mL technical grade chemical applied to each of six rabbits.		
EYE IRRITATION STUDIES		
Rabbits		
Single 24-hour application of 0.1 mL technical grade chemical to one eye of each of nine New Zealand White rabbits. Three of the nine rabbits had the eye flushed with warm water for 1 minute 25 seconds after application.	Chemicals Al3-36976a, 36977a, 37013a, 37014a and 37015a did not cause any irritation to the eyes of rabbits.	USAEHA Category A (ref Appendix A)
APPROXIMATE LETHAL DOSE (ALI	<u>))</u>	
<u>Oral</u>		
Rats (male)-no diluent	AI3-36976a 4300 mg/kg AI3-36977a > 9688 mg/kg AI3-37013a > 9688 mg/kg AI3-37014a > 9688 mg/kg AI3-37015a > 9688 mg/kg	These chemicals are relatively nontoxic by ingestion.

Test

#### Results

#### Interpretation

#### PHOTOCHEMICAL SKIN IRRITATION STUDIES

#### Rabbits

A single 0.05 mL application of a 25 percent (w/v) solution of each chemical and a 10 percent (w/v) 0il 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.

All tested chemicals caused a severe photochemical irritation under test conditions.

All tested chemicals are classified as photochemical irritants and are expected to cause a photochemical irritation in humans.

#### Control.

Following UV exposures of the rabbits, 0.05 mL of test chemical, positive control (oil of Bergomot), and diluent were applied to additional skin areas to serve as unirradiated control sites. Application areas were checked for skin irritation at 24, 48 and 72 hours.

Positive control application and irradiation caused greater irritant effects than in unirradiated skin areas.

Test Results

Interpretation

#### SENSITIZATION STUDIES

#### Guinea Pigs (Male)

Intradermal
injections of 0.1 mL
of a 0.1 percent
solution (w/v) of
AI3-38017 or of
dinitrochlorobenzene
(DNCB)\* in a mixture
containing 1 volume
of propylene glycol and
29 volumes of saline.

Ten test guinea pigs for each chemical were given 10 sensitizing doses over a 3-week period. After a 2-week rest, they were challenged with intradermal (ID) injections of each test compound.

Ten positive control guinea pigs were sensitized over 3 weeks with DNCB. After 2-weeks rest, they were challenged with ID injections of DNCB.

Challenge doses of the tested chemicals did not produce a sensitization reaction.

Challenge dose of DNCB in positive control guinea pigs produced a marked sensitization reaction in 10 out of 10 guinea pigs.

The tested chemicals did not produce sensitization reactions under test conditions and are not expected to produce a sensitization reaction in humans.

DNCB produced a marked reaction, indicating these guinea pigs respond to sensitizing agents.

<sup>\*</sup> A known skin sensitizer.

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5. CONCLUSION. Chemicals AI3-36976a, 36977a, 37013a, 37014a, and 37015a are mild primary skin irritants. All chemicals were noninjurious to the eye, were relatively nontoxic by ingestion, and did not elicit skin sensitization, reactions. Chemicals AI3-36976a, 36977a, 37013a, 37014a, and 37015a are severe photo irritants.

6. RECOMMENDATION. Under the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding (paragraph 1c), it is recommended that the above USDA proprietary chemicals be disapproved for further testing as candidate insect repellents, due to their severe photoirritation potentiating properties.

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#### **APPENDIX**

#### ANALYTICAL QUALITY ASSURANCE

The Analytical Quality Assurance Office certifies the following with regard to this study:

- a. This study was conducted in accordance with:
- (1) Standing Operating Procedures developed by the Toxicology Division, USAEHA.
- (2) Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, 1981 rev, Part 58, Good Laboratory Practice for Nonclinical Laboratories Studies.
- b. Facilities were inspected during its operational phase to insure compliance with paragraph a above.
- c. The information presented in this report accurately reflects the raw data generated during the course of conducting the study.

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