



Short review

RIFM FRAGRANCE INGREDIENT SAFETY ASSESSMENT p-Methylanisole, CAS Registry Number 104-93-8



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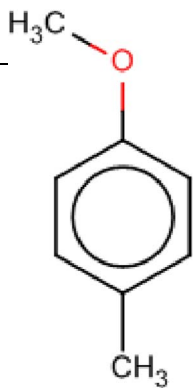
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Abbreviation/Definition list:

2-Box Model - a RIFM, Inc. proprietary *in silico* tool used to calculate fragrance air exposure concentration

AF - Assessment Factor

BCF - Bioconcentration Factor

Creme RIFM model - The Creme RIFM model uses probabilistic (Monte Carlo) simulations to allow full distributions of data sets, providing a more realistic estimate of aggregate exposure to individuals across a population (Comiskey et al., 2015; Safford et al., 2015; Safford et al., 2017; Comiskey et al., 2017) compared to a deterministic aggregate approach

DEREK - Derek nexus is an *in silico* tool used to identify structural alerts

DST - Dermal Sensitization Threshold

ECHA - European Chemicals Agency

EU - Europe/European Union

GLP - Good Laboratory Practice

IFRA - The International Fragrance Association

LOEL - Lowest Observable Effect Level

MOE - Margin of Exposure

MPPD - Multiple-Path Particle Dosimetry. An *in silico* model for inhaled vapors used to simulate fragrance lung deposition

NA - North America

NESIL - No Expected Sensitization Induction Level

NOAEC - No Observed Adverse Effect Concentration

NOAEL - No Observed Adverse Effect Level

NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration

OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

OECD TG - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Testing Guidelines

PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, and Toxic

PEC/PNEC - Predicted Environmental Concentration/Predicted No Effect Concentration

QRA - Quantitative Risk Assessment

REACH - Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation, and Restriction of Chemicals

RIFM - Research Institute for Fragrance Materials

RQ - Risk Quotient

Significant - statistically significant difference in reported results as compared to controls with a $p < 0.05$ using appropriate statistical test.

TTC - Threshold of Toxicological Concern

UV/Vis Spectra - Ultra Violet/Visible spectra

VCF - Volatile Compounds in Food

VoU - Volume of Use

vPvB - (very) Persistent, (very) Bioaccumulative

WOE - Weight of Evidence

The Expert Panel for Fragrance Safety* concludes that this material is safe under the limits described in this safety assessment.

This safety assessment is based on the RIFM Criteria Document (Api et al., 2015) which should be referred to for clarifications.

Each endpoint discussed in this safety assessment includes the relevant data that were available at the time of writing (version number in the top box is indicative of the date of approval based on a two-digit month/day/year), both in the RIFM database (consisting of publicly available and proprietary data) and through publicly available information sources (i.e., SciFinder and PubMed). Studies selected for this safety assessment were based on appropriate test criteria, such as acceptable guidelines, sample size, study duration, route of exposure, relevant animal species, most relevant testing endpoints, etc. A key study for each endpoint was selected based on the most conservative endpoint value (e.g., PNEC, NOAEL, LOEL, and NESIL).

*The Expert Panel for Fragrance Safety is an independent body that selects its own members and establishes its own operating procedures. The Expert Panel is comprised of internationally known scientists that provide RIFM guidance relevant to human health and environmental protection.

Summary: The use of this material under current use conditions is supported by existing information.

p-Methylanisole was evaluated for genotoxicity, repeated dose toxicity, developmental and reproductive toxicity, local respiratory toxicity, phototoxicity/photoallergenicity, skin sensitization, and environmental safety. Data show that p-methylanisole is not genotoxic nor does it present a safety concern for skin sensitization under the current, declared levels of use. Data provided a calculated MOE > 100 for the repeated dose, developmental and reproductive toxicity endpoints. The local respiratory toxicity endpoint was completed using the TTC for a Cramer Class III material, and the exposure to p-methylanisole was below the TTC (0.47 mg/day). The phototoxicity/photoallergenicity endpoint was completed based on UV spectra; p-methylanisole is not expected to be phototoxic/photoallergenic. The environmental endpoints were evaluated, p-methylanisole was found not to be PBT as per the IFRA Environmental Standards, and its risk quotients, based on its current volume of use in Europe and North America (i.e., PEC/PNEC) are < 1 .

Human Health Safety Assessment

Genotoxicity: Not genotoxic. (RIFM, 1984; ECHA REACH Dossier: p-methylanisole)

Repeated Dose Toxicity: NOAEL = 33 mg/kg/day. (RIFM, 2013b)

Developmental and Reproductive Toxicity: NOAEL = 100 mg/kg/day and 570 mg/kg/day, respectively. (RIFM, 2010a; RIFM, 2010b)

Skin Sensitization: Not a concern for skin sensitization. (Klecak, 1985; Klecak, 1979; ECHA REACH Dossier: 4-methylanisole)

Phototoxicity/Photoallergenicity: Not phototoxic/photoallergenic. (UV Spectra, RIFM DB)

Local Respiratory Toxicity: No NOAEC available. Exposure is below the TTC.

Environmental Safety Assessment

Hazard Assessment:

Persistence: Critical Measured Value: 79% (OECD 301F) (RIFM, 2013a)

Bioaccumulation: Screening-Level: 26.4 L/Kg (US EPA, 2012a)

Ecotoxicity: Critical Ecotoxicity Endpoint: 48-h Algae EC50: 15.77 mg/L (US EPA, 2012a)

Conclusion: Not PBT or vPvB as per IFRA Environmental Standards

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