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Update on ICCVAM and NICEATM

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3rd Meeting of the Scientific Advisory Committee on Alternative Toxicological Methods March 10-11, 2004 Bethesda, Maryland









Outline

- Agency responses to ICCVAM test recommendations
- Revised ICCVAM nomination and submission guidelines
- Agency representatives survey
- ECVAM collaborations
- Other activities
- ICCVAM Biennial Progress Report



Additional ICCVAM and NICEATM Updates

- ICCVAM strategic planning initiative--L.Schechtman and M. Wind
- USDA report on animal use--J. Kulpa-Eddy
- Performance standards for *in vitro* dermal corrosivity test methods--*A. Rispin*
- In vitro test method nominations--W.Stokes
 - Estrogen receptor assays
 - Ocular irritation assays
- Vaccine potency tests--J. Kulpa-Eddy
- Evaluation of underprediction rate of the *in vivo* dermal corrosivity test -- W.Stokes and J. Haseman



Agency Responses to ICCVAM Test Recommendations

• Public Law 106-545:

- ICCVAM submits test recommendations through the Secretary, DHHS, to appropriate Federal agencies
- Agencies to respond within 180 days
- ICCVAM makes available to the public
 - ICCVAM recommendations
 - Agency responses



ICCVAM Acute Toxicity Test Recommendations

- Forwarded to agencies in March, 2003
- All 15 agencies responded
 Posted on NICEATM-ICCVAM website
 - http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov
- Federal Register notices announced availability of recommendations and responses





The Revised Up-and-Down Procedure: A Test Method for Determining the Acute Oral Toxicity of Chemicals

Volume 1 of 2

Results of an Independent Peer Review Evaluation Organized by the Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods (ICCVAM) and the National Toxicology Program (NTP) Interagency Center for the Evaluation of Alternative Toxicological Methods (NICEATM)

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The Revised Up-and-Down Procedure for Acute Toxicity

- ICCVAM recommendations:
 - Valid replacement for LD50 for hazard classification
 - Reduces animal use (60-70%)
- ICCVAM-ILSI-EPA Implementation Workshop - 2002
- Current regulatory acceptance
 EPA
 - CPSC
 - DOT
 - OECD (TG 425)
 - UN Transport
- http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov





Report of the International Workshop on In Vitro Methods for Assessing Acute Systemic Toxicity

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In Vitro Methods for Assessing Acute Systemic Toxicity

- ICCVAM International Workshop
- Recommendations provided for research, development, validation efforts:
 - Screening methods
 - Toxicokinetic methods
 - Target organ toxicity methods
 - Chemicals for validation studies
- http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov





Guidance Document on Using *In Vitro* Data to Estimate *In Vivo* Starting Doses for Acute Toxicity

Based on Recommendations from an International Workshop Organized by the Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods (ICCVAM)

and the

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Guidance Document: Using *In Vitro* Data to Estimate *In Vivo* Starting Doses for Acute Toxicity

- Describes how to use cytotoxicity data to estimate relative toxicity and starting doses for acute toxicity studies
- Provides protocols for 2 basal cytotoxicity methods
 - 3T3 and NHK cells
 - Updated protocols now available at NICEATM-ICCVAM website
- Supported by ZEBET and IIVS studies
- http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov



ICCVAM Acute Toxicity Test Method Recommendations^{1:} In Vitro Methods - 1

- Recommendations regarding potential current uses
 - Cytotoxicity assays can be useful as one of the tools in setting the starting dose for an in vivo assessment of acute oral toxicity
 - Using in vitro approaches could reduce animal use for acute toxicity determinations
 - Up to an additional 40% reduction in animals per test
 - Fewer animals euthanized for severely toxic chemicals

 Agencies should consider making this information available as one of the tools that can be used to select an appropriate starting dose for acute oral toxicity tests

¹ Report of the International Workshop on In Vitro Methods for Assessing Acute Systemic Toxicity. NIH Pub. No. 01-4499, 2001, NIEHS, Research Triangle Park, NC.

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ICCVAM Acute Toxicity Test Method Recommendations: In Vitro Methods - 2

- Research, Development, and Validation
 - Near-term validation studies should focus on two standard cytotoxicity assays
 - Longer-term activities should be directed at improving in vitro systems that provide information on biokinetics, metabolism, and organ-specific toxicity
 - These will be necessary to facilitate reasonably accurate predictions of LD50s, signs and symptoms associated with toxicity, and pathophysiological effects



ICCVAM Acute Toxicity Test Recommendations: Non-regulatory responses

- Concurrence with scientific validity of the UDP
- Institutional Animal Care and Use Committees
 - informed of availability of the UDP and in vitro methods
 - PHS Policy on the Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals:
 - IACUCs must ensure that alternative methods are considered and used where appropriate
- Agency scientists
 - informed of availability of both methods
- Response to research, development, and validation recommendations:
 - NIEHS and EPA support of validation study on cytotoxicity methods



Alternative Tests for Acute Oral Toxicity: Reduction and Refinement

Test Method	No. of <u>Animals</u>	No. of <u>Deaths</u>	Time to <u>Conduct</u> (in-life)
Original TG 401 (1981)	~ 45	Up to 25	14 days + s.s. ¹
Revised TG 401 (1987)	~ 25	Up to 12	14 days + s.s. ¹
Revised UDP: TG 425 (2001)	6 - 9	0-6 ²	6-30 days ³
Revised UDP + <i>in</i> <i>vitro</i> test	3 - 6	0-3 ²	3-24 days ³

¹S.S.: Sighting study for dose-range finding
²When appropriate for use; no deaths may occur for nontoxic substances; all animals may die for highly toxic substances.
³Shortest duration is for highly toxic substances (LD50 ≤ 5 mg/kg - Category 1); longest duration would result for chemicals with intermediate to no toxicity (Categories 2-5: 5 ≤LD50 >5000 mg/kg).

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ICCVAM Guidelines for the Nomination and Submission of New, Revised, and Alternative Test Methods

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ICCVAM Guidelines for the Nomination and Submission of New, Revised, and Alternative Test Methods

- Revised version published September, 2003
- Federal Register, Nov 2003

 Announced availability
 - Invited nominations and submissions
- http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov



ICCVAM Guidelines for the Nomination and Submission of New, Revised, and Alternative Test Methods (2003)

- ICCVAM test method nomination and submission process
- ICCVAM Prioritization Criteria
- Performance Standards for test methods
- Submission guidance for proposed test methods
- Outline for organizing nominations and submissions



ICCVAM Agency Representatives Survey

Objective:

Identify testing endpoints that should receive priority for future ICCVAM activities

- Consistent with ICCVAM Authorization Act
- Emphasis on opportunities to:
 - reduce or eliminate pain and distress
 - reduce and/or replace animal use



ICCVAM Regulatory Testing Priorities: Survey Results

		Weighted Score*		
1.	Acute eye irritation/corrosion	61		
2.	Acute skin toxicity			
	Dermal irritation/corrosion	48		
	Dermal sensitization	24		
	Dermal absorption	12		
3.	Acute systemic toxicity			
	Oral/dermal/inhalation	42		
4.	Chronic toxicity/carcinogenicity	29		
5.	Reproductive/developmental toxicity	23		
* Priority points: 1st = 5 points; 2nd = 4 points; 3rd = 3 points; 4th = 2 points; 5th - 1 point.				

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ICCVAM-NICEATM Collaborations with ECVAM (1)

- International guidance on application of GLPs to in vitro toxicity testing
 - OECD GLP Working Group Task Force on In Vitro Studies
 - Task Force meeting in February, 2004
 - Advisory document revised
 - Consideration by the GLP WG in May 2004
- ECVAM in vitro dermal irritation validation study
 - ICCVAM and NICEATM observers on study management team
 - NICEATM Contributions
 - ID candidate Reference Chemicals
 - \checkmark Collaboration with EPA to review 2400 chemicals in the TSCATS database
 - Estimate false negative rates for the rabbit skin test
 - \checkmark For current and GHS hazard classification categories



ICCVAM-NICEATM Collaborations with ECVAM (2)

- ICCVAM-NICEATM-ECVAM Workshop: Validation Principles and Approaches for Toxicogenomic-based Methods
 - December 2003, Ispra, Italy
 - Co-chaired by Len Schechtman(FDA, ICCVAM) and Rafaella Corvi (ECVAM)
 - Report and recommendations presented at the next SACATM meeting
- Workshop on Strategies to Replace In Vivo Acute Systemic Toxicity Testing
 - September 2003, Ispra, Italy
 - Participation by 4 SACATM and ICCVAM members
 - Report and recommendations presented at the next SACATM meeting



ICCVAM-NICEATM Collaborations with ECVAM (3)

- Joint validation study on *in vitro* methods for acute toxicity
 - Phase II completed: September 2003
 - Phase III underway; completion June, 2004
- Joint participation in upcoming workshops
 - Weight-of-Evidence Evaluation of Scientific Validity
 - Good cell culture practices



ICCVAM-NICEATM Collaborations with ECVAM (4)

- Collaborative Evaluation of Ocular Irritation Assays
 - In vitro and refinement alternatives
 - Data sharing; Background Review Document preparation
 - Designated Liaisons
 - ICCVAM Ocular Toxicity Working Group
 - ECVAM Ocular Irritation Task Force

ICCVAM-NICEATM: Other Related Activities

- ILSI Biomarkers Subcommittee

 Liaison members from ICCVAM and NICEATM
- Communications with test method developers
- Participation in upcoming scientific meetings

 Society of Toxicology Annual Meeting March, 2004



ICCVAM-NICEATM: Society of Toxicology Annual Meeting

Poster Sessions:

- ICCVAM Process for Nomination and Submission of New, Revised, and Alternative Test Methods (#1811)
- The ICCVAM/NICEATM Process for Developing Test Method Performance Standards (#1812)
- Phase I and II Results of a Validation Study to Evaluate In Vitro Cytotoxicity Assays for Estimating Rodent and Human Acute Systemic Toxicity (#240)
- Data Collection and Analysis Systems for an In Vitro Cytotoxicity Validation Study (#241)
- Estimation of False Negative Rates for the In Vivo Rabbit Dermal Irritation Assay (#1298)
- Estimate of False Negative Rates for the In Vivo Rabbit Dermal Corrosion Assay (#1299)

[All posters available at: http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov/]



ICCVAM-NICEATM: Society of Toxicology Annual Meeting

Workshops

- Workshop on Assurance of Animal Welfare in Research: Coexistence of Toxicology Studies with Humane Endpoints
- Workshop on Current Status and Future Considerations for the Development of Skin Toxicology Alternative Methods

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ICCVAM Biennial Progress Report



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ICCVAM 2003 Biennial Report

Required by Public Law 106-545

 Describes progress made in accordance with the act

• Final clearance and publication -February 2004

- Federal Register 2004

 Availability announced
- http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov



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