

Appendix A

ICCVAM Evaluation of the Reduced Local Lymph Node Assay Test Method – Timeline

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January 10, 2007	ICCVAM receives a letter from the CPSC nominating six LLNA review activities for evaluation, ²² including the reduced murine local lymph node assay (rLLNA).
January 2007	The ICCVAM IWG is re-established to work with NICEATM to carry out LLNA evaluations.
January 24, 2007	ICCVAM endorses the six CPSC-nominated LLNA review activities, including evaluation of the rLLNA.
May 17, 2007	<i>Federal Register</i> notice (72 FR 27815) – The Murine Local Lymph Node Assay: Request for Comments, Nominations of Scientific Experts, and Submission of Data
June 12, 2007	SACATM endorses with high priority the six CPSC-nominated LLNA review activities, including evaluation of the rLLNA.
November 12–13, 2007	ECVAM Workshop on Alternative Methods (Reduction, Refinement, Replacement)
January 8, 2008	<i>Federal Register</i> notice (73 FR 1360) – Announcement of an Independent Scientific Peer Review Panel Meeting on the Murine Local Lymph Node Assay; Availability of Draft Background Review Documents; Request for Comments
March 4–6, 2008	Independent Scientific Peer Review Panel holds a public meeting, with opportunity for oral public comments, at CPSC Headquarters in Bethesda, MD, to discuss LLNA review activities, including the rLLNA. The Panel was charged with reviewing the current validation status of the rLLNA and commenting on the extent to which the information in the draft BRD supported the draft ICCVAM test method recommendations.
May 20, 2008	<i>Federal Register</i> notice (73 FR 29136) – Announcement of the Peer Review Panel Report on the Validation Status of New Versions and Applications of the Murine Local Lymph Node Assay (LLNA): A Test Method for Assessing the Allergic Contact Dermatitis Potential of Chemicals and Products: Notice of Availability and Request for Public Comments ²³ .
June 18–19, 2008	SACATM public meeting for comments on the Panel report
October 29, 2008	ICCVAM endorses the TMER for the rLLNA test method, which includes the final rLLNA BRD.

Abbreviations: BRD = Background review document; CPSC = U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission; ECVAM = European Centre for the Validation of Alternative Methods; ICCVAM = Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods; IWG = ICCVAM Immunotoxicity Working Group; LLNA = murine local lymph node assay; NICEATM = National Toxicology Program Interagency Center for the Evaluation of Alternative Toxicological Methods; rLLNA = Reduced murine local lymph node assay;

²² http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov/methods/immunotox/llnados/CPSC_LLNA_nom.pdf

²³ http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov/docs/immunotox_docs/LLNAPRPrept2008.pdf

SACATM = Scientific Advisory Committee on Alternative Toxicological Methods; TMER = Test method evaluation report