Compound	n-Heptanal (read-across from n-Butanal)		Factsheet	
Parameter	Note	Comments	Value / descriptor	
EU-LCI Value and Status				
EU-LCI value	1	Mass/volume [µg/m³]	900	
EU-LCI status	2	Draft / Final	Final	
EU-LCI year of issue	3	Year when the EU-LCI value has been issued	2013	
General Information				
CLP-INDEX-Nr.	4	INDEX		
EC-Nr.	5	EINECS – ELINCS – NLP	203-898-4	
CAS-Nr.	6	Chemical Abstract Service number	111-71-7	
Harmonised CLP classification	7	Human Health Risk related classification	Not harmonized	
Molar mass	8	[g/mol]	114.18	
Key Data / Database				
Key study, Author(s), Year	9	Critical study with lowest relevant effect level		
Read across compound	10	Where applicable	n-Butanal	
Species	11	rat, human		
Route/type of study	12	Inhalation, oral feed,		
Study length	13	Days, subchronic, chronic		
Exposure duration	14	Hrs/day, days/week		
Critical endpoint	15	Effect(s), site of		
Point of departure (POD)	16	LOAEC*L, NOAEC*L, NOEC*L, Benchmark dose,	EU-LCI for n-Butanal	
POD Value	17	[mg/m³] or [ppm]	0.662 mg/m^3	
Assessment Factors (AF)	18			
Adjustment for exposure duration	19	Study exposure hrs/day, days/week		
AF Study Length	20	sa→ sc→ c (<i>R8-5</i>)		
Route-to-route extrapolation factor	21	(*** **)		
AF Dose-response	22 a	Reliability of dose-response, LOAEL → NOAEL		
	22 b	Severity of effect (R 8-6d)		
<u>Inter</u> species differences	23 a	Allometric Metabolic rate (R8-3)		
	23 b	Kinetic + dynamic		
<u>Intra</u> species differences	24	Kinetic + dynamic Worker - General population		
AF (sensitive population)	25	Children or other sensitive groups		
Other adjustment factors Quality of whole database	26	Completeness and consistency Reliability of alternative data (R8-6 d,e)		

Result			
Summary of assessment factors	27	Total Assessment Factor (TAF)	
POD/TAF	28	Calculated value (µg/m³ <u>and</u> ppb)	
Molar adjustment factor	29	Used in read-across (100.16/72)	1.39
Rounded value	30	[µg/m³]	900
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Rationale for read across

- Data poor compound: no adequate toxicological data for heptanal exist from which a LCI could be derived directly using the de novo procedure.
- Read-across from EU-LCI value of butanal: within the chemical class 'saturated aldehydes', butanal is the
 closest homologue compound with an EU-LCI value: three additional CH2 group in the aliphatic side chain
 of heptanal.
- Toxicological critical endpoint for butanal: irritation (squamous metaplasia of the nasal cavity).
- The key assumption underlying the read across of the EU-LCI value from butanal to heptanal is that both compounds have the same critical endpoint (irritation) and this is caused by the common functional group (and not by the additional CH₂ group).

Compound	Structure	MW [g/mol]	EU-LCI value
heptanal	√ √∕•°₀	114.18	? (read-across to be used)
			900 μg/m³
butanal	<u></u>	72.11	650 μg/m³ (de novo protocol) Unrounded value: 662.1 μg/m³ or 223.2 ppb

- Unrounded EU-LCI value butanal: $662.1 \,\mu\text{g/m}^3 \rightarrow$ to be used for read-across EU-LCI of heptanal.
- Cut-off rule in place: difference in change length between the two homologue compounds is larger than two CH_2 groups per aliphatic chain \rightarrow cut-off to hexanal.
- Thus, EU-LCI value for heptanal is 662.1 μ g/m³. After MW conversion at 23 °C and 1.013 atm (+ cut-off rule at 2C): EU-LCI heptanal = 662.1 μ g/m³ x 1.39 = 920.3 μ g/m³ \rightarrow rounded to 900 μ g/m³.
- The EU-LCI is above the odour detection threshold of $\sim 2 \mu g/m^3$.

References

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