

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PRODUCTS (SCCP)

Request for a scientific opinion: HC Yellow No. 4 (CAS 59820-43-8) submission II (B038)

1. Background

Submission I for HC Yellow No. 4 with the chemical name 1-Nitro-3-(2-hydroxyethyl)-oxy-4-(2-hydroxyethyl)-aminobenzene has been submitted in September 2003 by COLIPA^{1,2}.

Submission II with additional data for this substance has been submitted in July 2005 by COLIPA. According to this submission HC Yellow No. 4 is used in semi-permanent hair colouring products at a maximum concentration of 1.5%.

Submission II presents updated scientific data on the above mentioned substance in line with the second step of the strategy for the evaluation of hair dyes (<http://europa.eu.int/comm/enterprise/cosmetics/doc/hairdyestrategyinternet.pdf>) within the framework of the Cosmetics Directive 76/768/EEC.

2. Terms of reference

1. *Does the Scientific Committee on Consumer Products (SCCP) consider HC Yellow No. 4 safe for use as a non-oxidative hair dye with a concentration of maximum 1.5 % taken into account the scientific data provided?*
2. *Does the SCCP recommend any further restrictions with regard to the use of HC Yellow No. 4 in non-oxidative hair dye formulations?*

3. Deadline

December 2006.

¹ COLIPA - European Cosmetics Toiletry and Perfumery Association

² According to records of COLIPA.