

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PRODUCTS (SCCP)

Request for a scientific opinion: Disperse Black 9 (CAS 12222-69-4) submission II (C106)

1. Background

Submission I for Disperse Black 9, with the chemical name 2,2'-[4-(4-aminophenylazo)phenylimino] diethanol, was submitted in September 2003 by COLIPA¹, but no opinion was issued by the Scientific Committee.

According to the current submission II, submitted by COLIPA in July 2005, Disperse Black 9 is a mixture of the chemical 2,2'-[4-(4-aminophenylazo)phenylimino]diethanol dispersed in lignosulfate at a ratio of approximately 50:50. The substance is used as a component in non-oxidative hair dye formulations at level up to 0.3% resulting in a concentration of 2,2'-[4-(4-aminophenylazo)phenylimino]diethanol of 0.15%.

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 Disperse Black 9 safe for use as an ingredient in non-oxidative hair dye formulations in an on-head concentration of 2,2'-[4-(4-aminophenylazo)phenylimino]diethanol at maximum 0.15% taking into account the scientific data provided?*
2. *Does the SCCP recommend any restrictions with regard to the use of 2,2'-[4-(4-aminophenylazo)phenylimino]diethanol in non-oxidative hair dye formulations?*

3. Deadline

June 2006.

¹ COLIPA - European Cosmetics Toiletry and Perfumery Association