SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PRODUCT (SCCP)

Request for a scientific opinion: Submission on Acid Violet 43 (CAS 4430-18-6) (C063)

1. Background

Submission I on Acid Violet 43 with the chemical name Benzenesulfonic acid, 2-[(9,10-dihydro-4-hydroxy-9,10-dioxo-1-anthracenyl)amino]-5-methyl-, monosodium salt was submitted by COLIPA¹ in March 1984.

Submission II contains full and updated scientific data on the above substance which is in line with the second step of the strategy on the evaluation of hair dyes.

The SCCP adopted during the 7th plenary meeting of 18 March 2006 the opinion (SCCP/0964/05) on Acid violet 43 with the conclusion that "the information submitted is inadequate to assess the safe use of the substance as a hair dye.

Before any further consideration, the following information is required:

- Complete physico-chemical characterisation of the test substances;
- Further data to exclude the clastogenic potential".

The current submission provides the data requested by the Committee

2. Terms of reference

1. Is Benzenesulfonic acid, 2-[(9,10-dihydro-4-hydroxy-9,10-dioxo-1-anthracenyl)amino]-5-methyl-, monosodium salt safe for use in semi-permanent hair dye formulations at a maximum concentration of 0.5% of active dye, taken into account the data provided?

2. And/or does the SCCP recommend any restrictions with regard to the use of Benzenesulfonic acid, 2-[(9,10-dihydro-4-hydroxy-9,10-dioxo-1-anthracenyl)amino]-5-methyl-, monosodium salt in hair dye formulations?

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