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Defined Approaches for Skin Sensitisation

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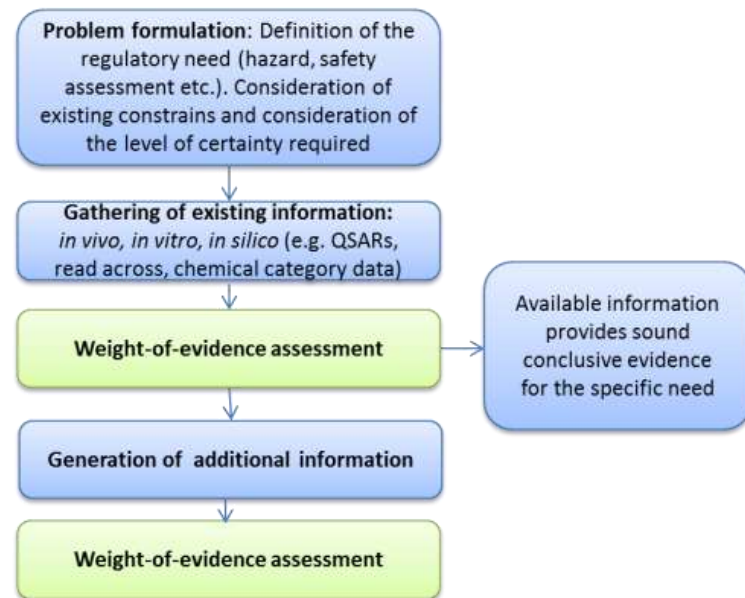
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Outline

- IATA definition
- Defined Approach (DA) definition
- OECD project on the reporting of DA
- Case studies overview

Integrated Approaches To Testing and Assessment (IATA)

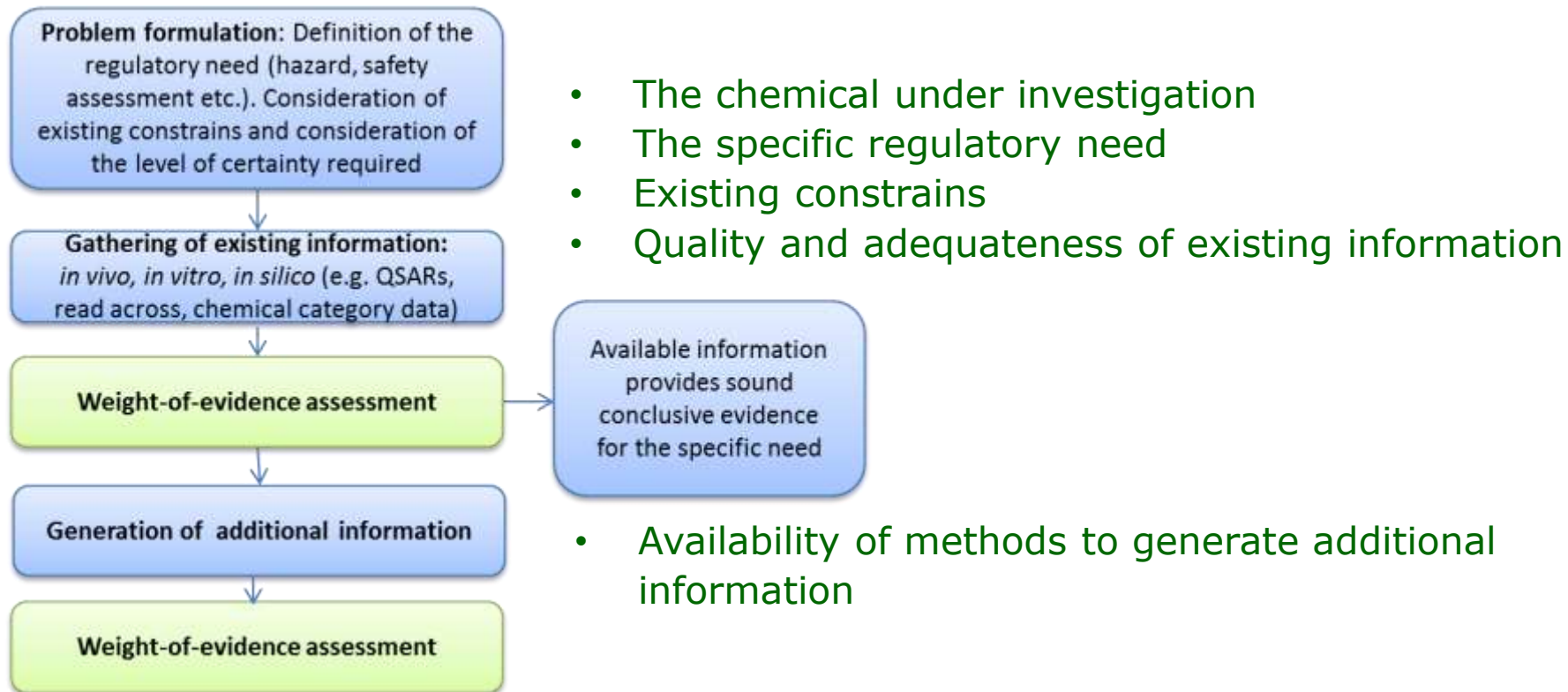
- Approach based on multiple information sources (i.e. physicochemical properties, non-testing methods - QSARs, read-across - testing methods - *in chemico, in vitro, in vivo*)
- Integrates and weights all relevant existing evidence and guides the target generation of new data where required to inform regulatory decisions
- Necessarily involves a degree of expert judgment, for example in the choice of the information sources to generate additional data and in the weighting of information



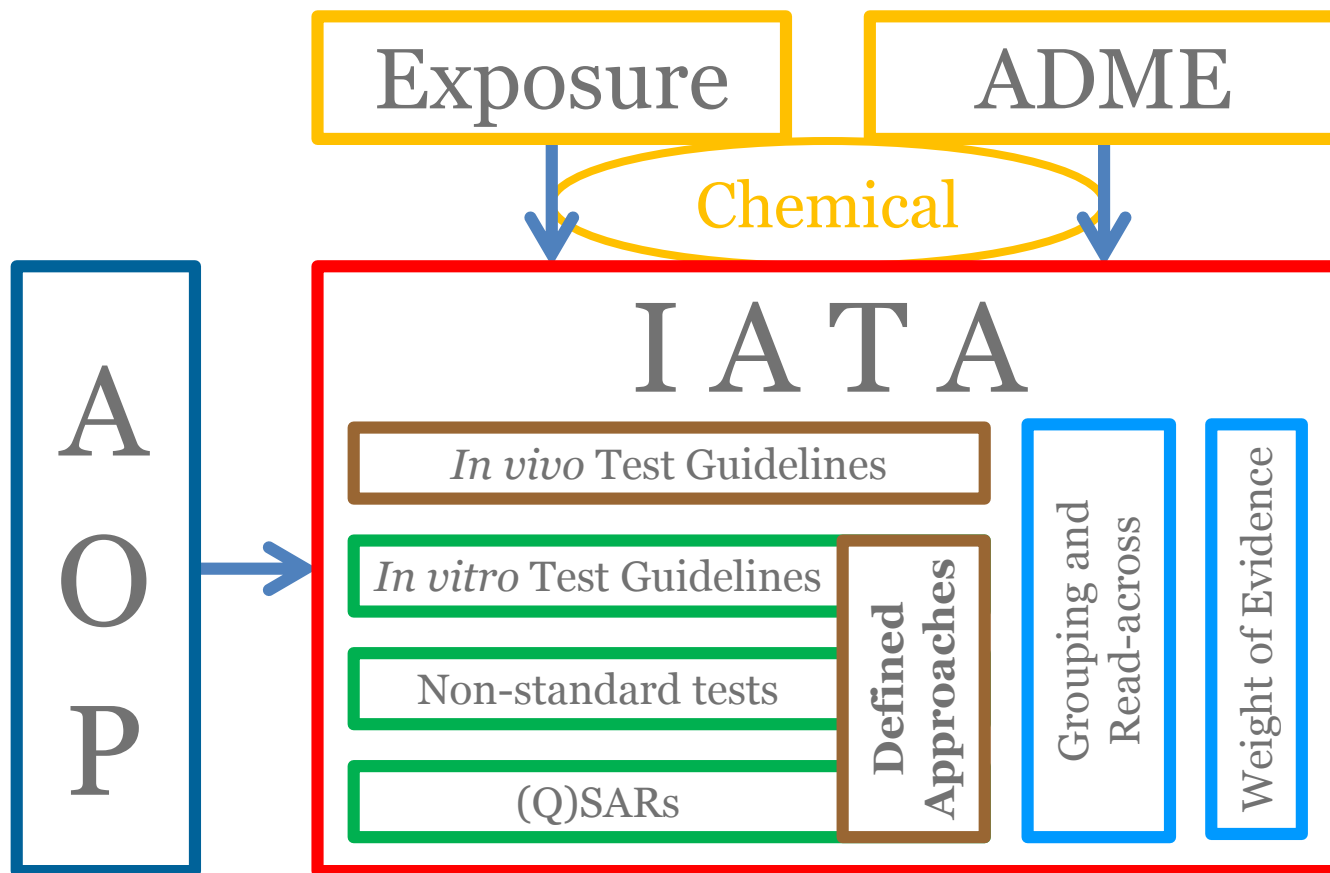
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Construction and Application of IATA

Depends on:



Integrated Approaches to Testing and Assessment (IATA)



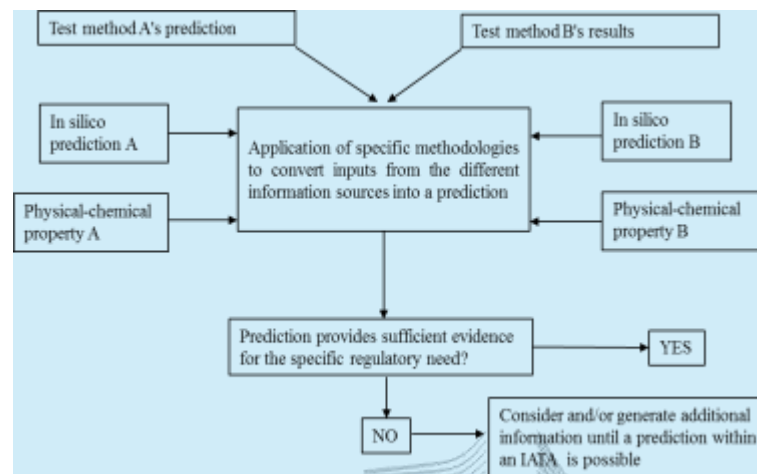
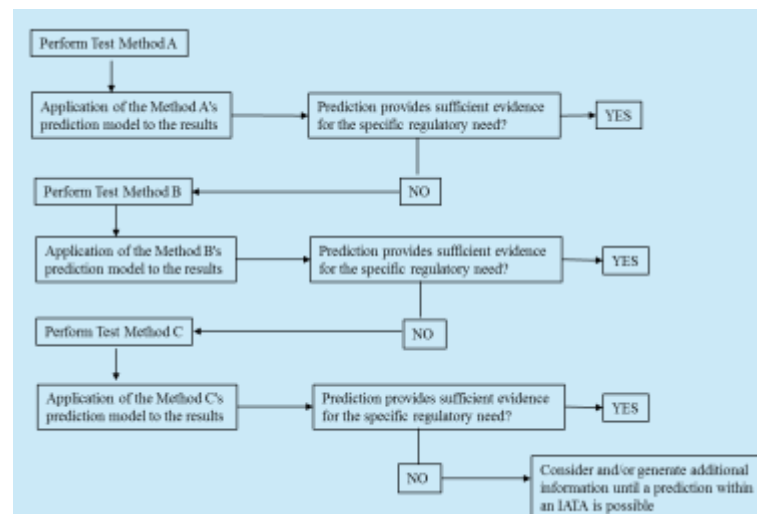
Defined approaches to be used within IATA

A defined approach to testing and assessment consists of a fixed data interpretation procedure (DIP) applied to data generated with a defined set of information sources (formalised decision-making approach)

The result can either be used on its own, or together with other information sources within an (IATA)

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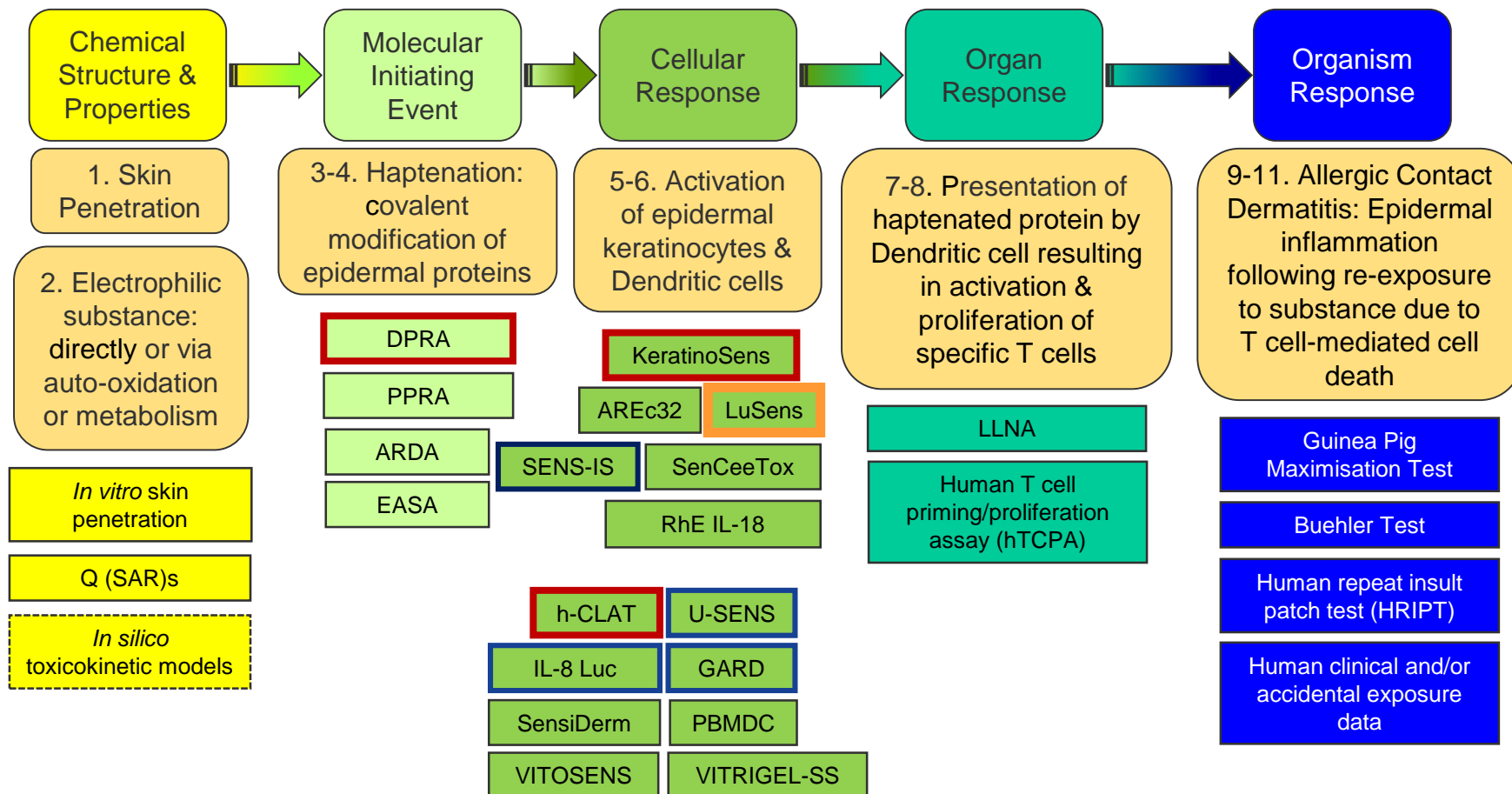
Sequential Testing Strategy



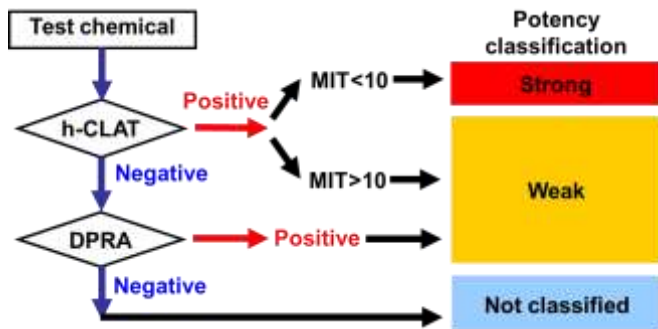
Integrated Testing Strategy

Grouping of Information Sources by Key Event

AOP
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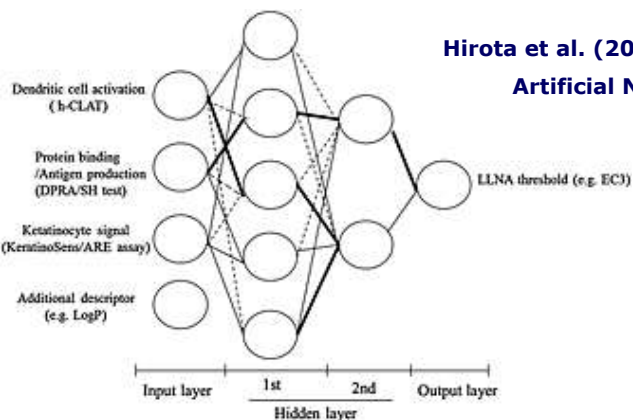
Skin sensitisation: many possibilities of combining information



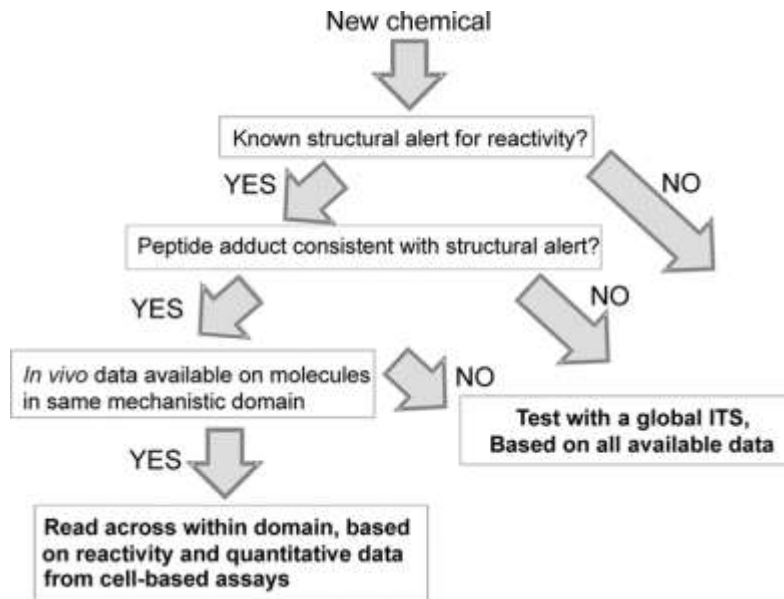
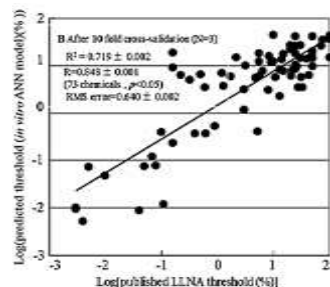
Takenouchi et al. (2015) J. Appl. Toxicol.: STS & ITS

Score	h-CLAT MIT	DPRA depletion	DEREK
3	≤10 µg/mL	≥42.47%	-
2	>10, ≤150 µg/mL	≥22.62, <42.47%	-
1	>150, ≤5000 µg/mL	≥6.376, <22.62%	Alert
0	not calculated	<6.376%	No alert

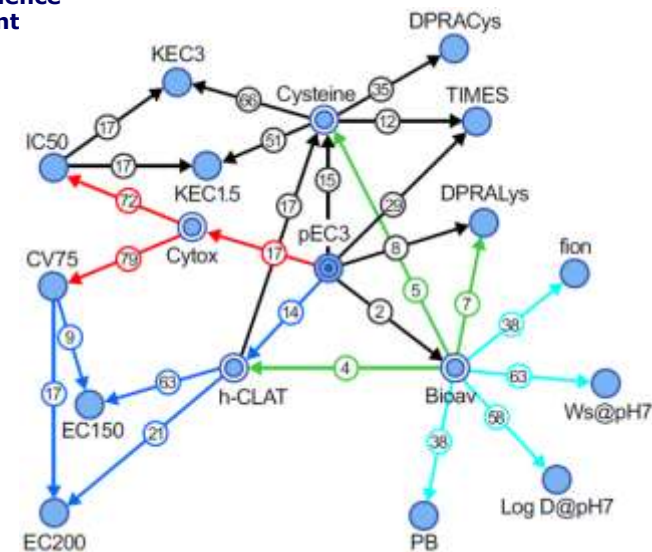
Potency: Total battery score	Strong :	7
	Weak :	2-6
	Not classified :	0-1



Hirota et al. (2015) J. Appl. Toxicol.:
Artificial Neural Network



Natsch et al. (2015) Toxicological Science
Global/domain-based assessment



Jaworska et al. (2015) Arch. Toxicol.:
Bayesian Network

OECD Guidance Documents on the reporting of Defined Approaches

To promote consistent description of defined approaches and facilitate their evaluation and acceptance within OECD member countries

- Principles for describing and applying defined approaches
- Template for reporting defined approaches **OECD ENV/JM/MONO(2016)28**
- Template for reporting individual information sources
- Case-studies - skin sensitisation **OECD ENV/JM/MONO(2016)29**
 - ✓ Illustration of how the reporting templates have been used to document a number (12) of defined approaches (and information sources used within) developed in the area of skin sensitisation
 - ✓ Guidance on the extent and level of reporting

Reporting Template for Defined Approaches

1	Summary	<i>concise overview of the approach</i>
2	General information	<i>identifier, date, authors, updates, references, proprietary aspects</i>
3	Endpoint addressed	<i>e.g. skin sensitisation</i>
4	Purpose and regulatory relevance	<i>e.g. screening, hazard assessment, potency prediction</i>
5	Rationale underlying its construction	<i>including reason for the choice of information sources and their linkage to known biological mechanisms (e.g. key events)</i>
6	Brief description of the individual information sources used	<i>including response(s) measured and respective measure(s), detailed descriptions in the dedicated template</i>
7	Data interpretation procedure applied (DIP)	<i>e.g. sequential testing strategies, regression models, 2 out of 3 WoE, scoring systems, machine learning approaches, Bayesian networks, etc..</i>
8	Chemicals used to develop and test DIP	<i>approach used for selection of training and test sets, relevant information on both sets: chemical names, composition, reference data (e.g. in vivo data), readouts, predictions</i>
9	Limitations in the application of the approach	<i>with regard to technical constrains or wrong predictions</i>
10	Predictive capacity	<i>misclassifications and unreliable predictions rationalised to the extent possible</i>
11	Sources of uncertainty and impact on DIP's prediction	<i>how uncertainties related to approach structure, information sources and benchmark data translate into prediction uncertainty</i>

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Case study	Purpose	
1	An Adverse Outcome Pathway-based "2 out of 3" integrated testing strategy approach to skin hazard identification (BASF)	Hazard identification
2	Sequential Testing Strategy (STS) for hazard identification of skin sensitisers (RIVM)	Hazard identification
3	A non-testing Pipeline approach for skin sensitisation (G. Patlewicz)	Hazard identification
4	Stacking meta-model for skin sensitisation hazard identification (L'Oréal)	Hazard identification
5	Integrated decision strategy for skin sensitisation hazard (ICCVAM)	Hazard identification
6	Consensus of classification trees for skin sensitisation hazard prediction (EC-JRC)	Hazard identification
7	Sensitizer potency prediction based on Key event 1 + 2: Combination of kinetic peptide reactivity data and KeratinoSens® data (Givaudan)	Potency prediction
8	The artificial neural network model for predicting LLNA EC3 (Shiseido)	Potency prediction
9	Bayesian Network DIP (BN-ITS-3) for hazard and potency identification of skin sensitizers (P&G)	Potency prediction
10	Sequential testing strategy (STS) for sensitising potency classification based on in chemico and in vitro data (Kao Corporation)	Potency prediction
11	Integrated testing strategy (ITS) for sensitising potency classification based on in silico, in chemico, and in vitro data (Kao Corporation)	Potency prediction
12	DIP for skin allergy risk assessment (SARA) (Unilever)	Potency prediction

AOP mapping of Information sources

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KE2

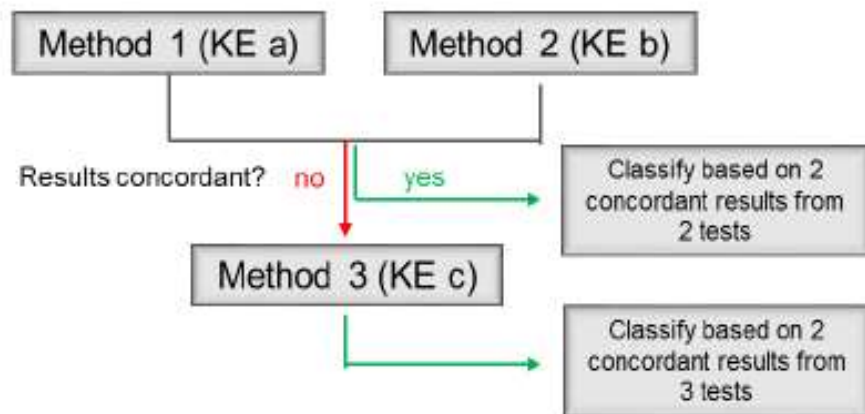
KE3

Case Study	Bioavailability	Phys-chem properties	In silico	Protein binding /reactivity	Events in Keratinocytes	Events in DC	Events in T cells	Adverse effect	Others
1 Sensitiser potency prediction Key event 1+2 (Givaudan)		X	TIMES SS	Cor1C420-assay	TG 442D				
2 The artificial neural network model for predicting LLNA EC3 (Shiseido)		X		SH Test	AREc32 assay	h-CLAT			
3 ITS/DS for hazard and potency identification of skin sensitisers (P&G)	penetration (PBPK model)	X	TIMES SS	TG 442C	TG 442D	h-CLAT U937 test	TG 429		
4 Tiered system for predicting sensitising potential and potency of a substance (STS) (Kao Corporation)				TG 442C		h-CLAT			
5 Score-based battery system for predicting sensitising potential and potency of a substance (ITS) (Kao Corporation)			DEREK Nexus	TG 442C		h-CLAT			
6 IATA for skin sensitisation risk assessment (Unilever)	penetration modified OECD TG428			modified OECD TG428					
7 Weight of evidence in vitro ITS for skin hazard identification (BASF)				TG 442C	TG 442D LuSens	h-CLAT m-MUSST			
8 STS for hazard identification of skin sensitisers (RIVM)			Various	TG 442C	TG 442D HaCaT gene signature	h-CLAT			
9 IATA (Dupont)		X	Various	TG 442C glutathione depletion assay	TG 442D	h-CLAT U937	TG 429	TG 406	E.g. Skin Irr/Corr, Ames
10 Decision strategy (L'Oréal)		X	Various	TG 442C	TG 442D ARE-Nrf2 Assay	U-SENS™ PGE2 Assay			
11 Integrated decision strategy for skin sensitisation hazard (ICCVAM)		X	OECD Toolbox			h-CLAT			
12 Consensus decision tree model for skin sensitisation hazard prediction (EC JRC)			TIMES SS Dragon						

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DIP – some examples

2 out of 3 WoE BASF



Hazard identification (S/NS)

- No differential weighting of individual test methods
- No predefined sequential order of testing
- Usually DPRA and KeratinoSens™ are performed first since less expensive

Consensus Decision Tree Model -JRC

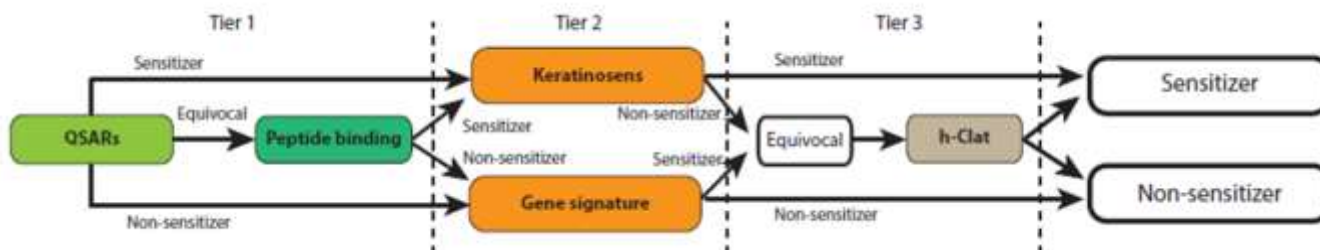
Output from DT-1	Output from DT-2	Consensus Prediction
1	1	1
1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	0

Hazard identification (S/NS)

- Based entirely on *in silico* descriptors
- Prediction obtained by combining the outputs of the decision trees

Sequential Testing Strategies:

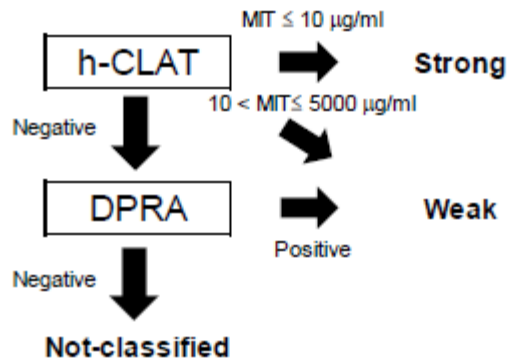
RIVM



Hazard identification (S/NS)

- At least two tiers needed to derive a prediction
- Final decision based on majority voting (2 out of 3 approach)

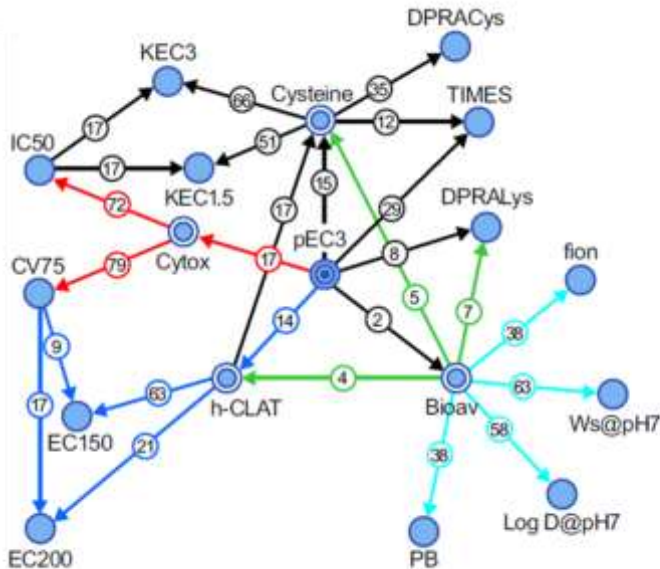
Kao



3 Potency classes: NS, Strong and Weak
Prediction can be derived after first tier

Integrated Testing Strategies:

Bayesian network ITS – P&G



- Gathering (available) data for all variables needed
- Integration of data inputs using Bayesian statistics within ITS structure
- Output = pEC3: potency probability distribution
- Conversion of the pEC3 to Bayes factors to determine the strength of the evidence → final interpretation and prediction

4 Potency classes:

- NS
- Weak
- Moderate
- Strong and Extreme

Bayes Factor	Strength of evidence
<1	Negative (supports alternative)
1-3	Barely worth mentioning (weak)
3-10	Substantial
>30	Strong

Wrap up

- Cases studies illustrate there are multiple ways to construct a defined approach and to process data
- DA make use of mechanistic data from one or more key event but DIP is usually data-driven
- Information on KE1 is used in all case studies
- Developed/tested with a substantial number of chemicals
- Show improved accuracy for predicting LLNA responses compared to the individual methods
- Are more relevant to predict human effects than the LLNA
- Provide useful information for potency categorisation/prediction
- LLNA variability never considered in the DA construction



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