



Interagency Coordinating Committee on
the Validation of Alternative Methods

Implementation of the Strategic Roadmap: Introduction

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Implementation Plan Outline

Roadmap implementation plans will provide the strategy for the reduction and replacement of animal use for toxicity testing, specific to each endpoint, via six key endeavors:

- Coordinate activities via ICCVAM Workgroups
- Draft a scoping document to identify U.S. agency requirements, needs, and decision contexts
- Coordinate efforts with stakeholders
- Identify, acquire, and curate high quality data from reference test methods
- Identify and evaluate non-animal alternative approaches
- Gain regulatory acceptance and facilitate use of non-animal approaches

Coordinate activities via ICCVAM Workgroups

- Prioritize based on:
 - agency needs
 - expected impact on animal usage
 - mechanistic understanding
 - ability to mitigate obstacles
 - available resources
- Coordinate efforts with international partners (e.g. ICATM, OECD)

Draft a scoping document to identify U.S. agency requirements, needs, and decision contexts

- Identify all agency requirements/expectations for particular endpoint
 - Classification & labeling system(s) (e.g., GHS, EPA)
 - Legal framework for acceptance of alternative methods
- Define chemical and regulatory space for each agency
- Identify validated alternatives and status of acceptance by agency
- Identify gaps associated with the suite of available alternatives (i.e., adequate AOP coverage)
- Identify obstacles to implementation

Coordinate efforts with stakeholders

- Establish public/private partnerships
- Organize workshops to discuss state of the science and implementation progress

Identify, acquire, and curate high quality data from reference test methods

- Facilitate agency-driven data sharing initiatives
- Leverage partnerships with industry
- Curate the scientific literature and publicly available databases

Identify and evaluate non-animal alternative approaches to acute toxicity testing

- Develop defined approaches using in silico and/or in vitro features
- Review literature for published defined approaches that can be evaluated
- Interrogate in vivo variability to provide context for confidence in alternative approaches

Gain regulatory acceptance and facilitate use of non-animal approaches

- Validate defined approaches for regulatory decision contexts
- Develop training materials and assist agencies in issuing guidance



Commitment from Federal Agencies

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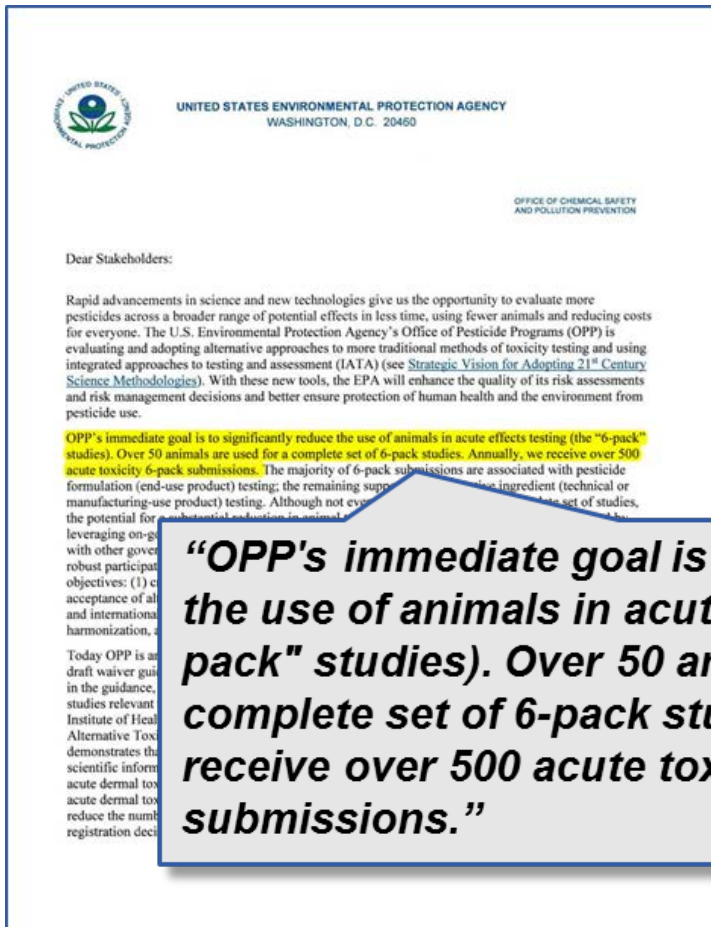


Application of Modern Toxicology Approaches for Predicting Acute Toxicity for Chemical Defense



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Reducing Animal Use for the “6-Pack”



“OPP's immediate goal is to significantly reduce the use of animals in acute effects testing (the "6-pack" studies). Over 50 animals are used for a complete set of 6-pack studies. Annually, we receive over 500 acute toxicity 6-pack submissions.”

March 2016 letter to Stakeholders from Jack Housenger on the goal to reduce animal testing



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