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Summary

This presentation addresses industry views on Tier 1 exposure assessment for risk assessment under REACH. To meet the REACH registration deadlines industry needed Tier 1 worker exposure assessment tools that are easy-to-use, covering a wide range of industries and chemistries, covering both inhalation and dermal exposure, with easy integration in sector approaches. Of critical importance is the capability of the tools to facilitate mass processing of risk assessment with 'sufficient' conservatism and 'acceptable' uncertainty. Evaluation studies should therefore not only review the scientific aspects of such tools but also evaluate the tools within the framework of operational requirements for application in REACH risk assessment. Cefic is particularly interested in the outcome of this evaluation study in terms of practical opportunities to improve the models, the guidance for use and the level of expertise of the users in the light of effective and efficient processing of ES worker assessments for REACH registration. Recommendations should take into account improvements for alignment with the Process Category as a reflection of the worker contributing scenario and for linking to sector-developed tools as Industry Use Maps and Generic Exposure Scenarios.