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#### Ready for 2022? Join Us for New Programs & Opportunities

2022 has started fast and furious at SCHC. We've launched the new SCHC Monthly Member Forums and are working to strengthen our relationships with other organizations whose missions align with ours and benefits our members. Our goals this year include providing greater connectivity and education on behalf of our HazCom community. Watch our social media and website for the latest news.

#### **News from OSHA**

OSHA Issues Fall 2021 Regulatory Agenda
Secretary of Labor Statement Regarding Ruling on Vaccination/
Testing Emergency Temporary Standard
OSHA Form 300A Data Due March 2, 2022
OSHA Annual Adjustments to OSHA Civil Penalties

#### Mark Your Calendar

NEW January 26, 2022 - SCHC Monthly Member Forum: <u>SCHC</u>
<u>Speaker's Bureau</u>

February 1-2, 2022 - CHCS Distance Learning: Overview of the Biocide Products Regulation (BPR)

NEW February 23, 2022 - SCHC Monthly Member Forum: Why Don't My Section 2 & 14 Match?

**NEW March 23, 2022 - SCHC Monthly Member Forum:** <u>SCHC Leadership</u>

Feb 28- Mar 1, 2022 - CHCS Distance Learning: Basic Toxicology

March 7-8, 2022 - CHCS Distance Learning: Advanced Toxicology

March 22-23, 2022 - CHCS Distance Learning: Intro to Basic SDS Writing

NEW April 27, 2022 - SCHC Monthly Member Forum: <u>EU</u> Classifications, REACH, and maybe Brexit

May 4-12, 2022 - CHCS Distance Learning: <u>CLP Classification</u>

SCHC Member Profile: Log in to find event Discount Codes



New for Members Only— SCHC Monthly Member Forums

#### **New for Members Only! SCHC Monthly Member Forums**

Submitted by Chandra Gioiello, SCHC Member Engagement Chair

After the great response we had with the forum sessions at the 2021 SCHC Annual Meeting, we have decided to make monthly hour-long discussion forums a regular offering for our SCHC membership. The Member Engagement committee has organized the first four meetings, scheduled for the fourth Wednesday of the month at 1pm Eastern.

The Member Engagement committee is always looking for new ways to provide benefits to members, so we're looking forward to offering these forums to you. The idea of the forums is to have a casual option for our members to come together to discuss a topic. To start, we are alternating between SCHC -specific topics and more technical topics.

Our first session will be <u>January 26th and will cover the SCHC</u>
<u>Speaker's Bureau</u>. Kelsey Squelch will be joining us to discuss the changes recently made to the bureau in terms of options for volunteers as well as ways for speakers to be requested. We'll also branch into other outreach aspects and will open the floor to any questions about how the bureau works, how to become involved, and any other questions you might have.

Our <u>second session will be February 23rd</u> and be a repeat of the very popular forum session at the conference about the differences between Sections 2 and 14. Denese Deeds will be coming to help us run this forum. Those of you who participated in the conference session or have taken her Multi-Modal transport webinar will know that she's an expert on transport and will join us in this discussion about those issues that we face when working through our Hazcom/transport issues.

The third session will be March 23rd and will cover SCHC leadership. We'll be joined by Julia Diebol and Atanu Das for a discussion on how leadership in SCHC works. You can learn how to run for a position, what the roles and responsibilities of the Board of Directors and the leadership team are, and how the whole thing runs.

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New for Members Only— SCHC Monthly Member Forums (continued)

CHCS Presenter Opportunities

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The <u>fourth session will be April 27th</u> and we'll be talking Europe! Mark Selbey and Gill Pagliuca will help with this discussion on how the EU decides harmonized classifications, what's the latest with REACH, and, if we have time, some of the issues coming up with Brexit and the new UK system.

These sessions are really meant to be interactive and casual. No slides, not recorded, just a chance to us to have a conversation about a topic with other SCHC members. You can sign up now on the <u>SCHC website</u>. When you register, you can send in questions for our speakers if you have any. During the conversation, we'll start with a bit of introductory conversation with the speaker and then open up the floor to questions from participants. Questions can be either asked on audio or through the chat box.

We are really excited to offer this for our members. If you have ideas for topics, <u>send us an email</u>. We'll be keeping an ongoing list to compile ideas. And if you have an area of expertise that you'd like to chat with us about, reach out. We're always looking for more participants.

So, <u>sign up</u> and join us. And give us feedback. We are so happy to be providing this to our members, and our members will help make this a success.

#### **CHCS Presenter Opportunities**

Our sister organization, <u>Chemical Hazards Communication</u> <u>Society (CHCS)</u>, wishes to broaden their offerings this year and is seeking webinar presenters on the following topics:

- Chemical regulation in Japan
- Regulation of endocrine disruptors
- The US Toxic Substances Control Act
- Proposed new hazard classes, CLP Regulation
- Focus on MOCs
- The future landscape for polymer registration If you are interested in presenting a webinar for CHCS, please contact Elaine Campling, CHCS Technical Officer.



SCHC Consultants List

#### **SCHC Consultants List**

**Did you know** SCHC offers a listing of Consultants to help with your various hazard communication requirements? Areas covered include, but are not limited to:

- GHS regulations
- Labeling requirements
- Hazardous material transport / training
- SDS authoring
- Chemical regulatory databases
- TSCA regulations
- Litigation support

There is no endorsement, express or implied, with this Consultant Listing. It is offered for information purposes to members of SCHC and visitors to our website. View the List of SCHC HazCom Consultants



Do you know the difference between the SCHC Speaker's Bureau and the SCHC Consultants List? As a Member of those groups or someone interested in engaging these groups there are some distinct differences. Explore them now on schc.org/resources. Also, did you know about our partner, CHCS, has a Chemical Hazards Consultants List?



SCHC Election 2022

#### **SCHC Election 2022**

The SCHC Nominating
Committee has assembled
the candidates for the
upcoming voting ballot.
SCHC Members will
receive their ballots within
the next two weeks.
Ballots must be turned
in by midnight (ET) on
February 28th.



Elected persons will begin their term on April 1, 2022. Watch for updates on the SCHC.org home page, via email, and on social media to learn more about the candidates.

President: Elizabeth Dederick, Ph.D., a Partner at ERM

Vice President: **Tracy H. Graham, CP-FS**, a Senior Manager, Regulatory Affairs at Ecolab

Secretary/Treasurer: **Atanu K. Das, CHMM, SDSRP (IHMM Fellow),** an Owner and Project Manager at MSDSWriter

#### **Board Members** (Members can vote for up to five names)

**Karin F. Baron, MSPH,** a Senior Regulatory Consultant at Bergeson & Campbell

**Lori C. Burry**, **Ph.D**, a Senior Manager of Global Hazard Communication at SI Group

**James Lee, JD,** a Senior Compliance Analyst at Hach Comopany

**Tarique Mangrio**, an EHS Program Manager at The Boeing Company

**Katie McGee, SDSRP**, a Senior Regulatory Data Analyst at Sphera

**Robert S. Skoglund, Ph.D., DABT, CIH**, a Head of Product Safety and Regulatory Affairs at Covestro, LLC

**Michele R. Sullivan, Ph.D.**, President/Principal Consultant at MRS & Associates

**Danielle Svestka**, is of HSE Global Product Stewardship at Elanco Animal Health



NTP News - 15th RoC is Available

#### NTP News - 15th RoC is Available

In late December 2021, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services released the <u>15th Report on Carcinogens</u> (RoC), which includes eight newly reviewed substances, bringing the cumulative to 256 listings. The National Toxicology Program (NTP), the group responsible for preparing the RoC, is a federal, interagency program headquartered at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS).

"Cancer affects almost everyone's life, either directly or indirectly," said Rick Woychik, Ph.D.,
Director of the NIEHS and NTP.

"As the identification of carcinogens is a key step in cancer prevention, publication of the report represents an important government activity towards improving public health."

(Credit: niehs.nih.gov)

In this latest report, the NTP recognizes that chronic infection with the bacterium *Helicobacter pylori* (*H. pylori*) is listed as known to be a human carcinogen. The new report also lists antimony trioxide, a chemical primarily used as a flame-retardant component, and six haloacetic acids (HAAs).

The following six HAAs are listed in the report:

- Bromochloroacetic acid (BCA)
- Bromodichloroacetic acid (BDCA)
- Chlorodibromoacetic acid (CDBA)
- Dibromoacetic acid (DBA)
- Dichloroacetic acid (DCA)
- Tribromoacetic acid (TBA)

HAAs are formed during the disinfection of water from a reaction between the chlorine-based disinfection agents and organic matter in the source water. Approximately 250 million U.S. residents use community water systems and are potentially exposed to HAAs in the disinfected water. Learn more about this report by visiting SCHC's newsworthy section.



CA OEHHA News: PFNA and its Salts, 1-Bromopropane, PFOS and its Salts

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#### Perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA) & Its Salts

Effective December 31, 2021, California's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) shared a <u>notice</u> that it is adding PFNA and its salts to the list of chemicals known to the state to cause reproductive toxicity for purposes of the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65). This came as a result from a public meeting held on December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021, that there was clear scientific evidence of the chemicals causing reproductive toxicity, based on the male endpoint. The warning requirement goes into effect December 31, 2022. The listing for PFNA can be found <u>here</u>.

#### Public Comment Period Open & Workshop for the Draft Reference Exposure Levels for 1-Bromopropane (BP)

On January 7, 2022, California's OEHHA posted a notice regarding its opening a public comment period and workshop on the draft Reference Exposure Levels (RELs) for 1-Bromopropane (BP). RELs are airborne concentrations of a chemical that are not anticipated to result in adverse non–cancer health effects for specified exposure durations in the general population, including sensitive subpopulations. OEHHA is required to develop guidelines for conducting health risk assessments under the Air Toxics Hot Spots Program (Health and Safety Code Section 44360(b)(2)). In response to this statutory requirement, OEHHA develops RELs for many air pollutants.

The public comment period will end on February 22, 2022. Chemical Listing for 1-Bromopropane (BP)

## Perfluorooctane Sulfonic Acid (PFOS) and its Salts Added to Prop 65 List of Chemicals

On December 6, 2021, the OEHHA staff gave a summary presentation on the hazard identification document on PFOS and its salts and transformation and degradation precursors, Carcinogen Identification Committee members discussed the evidence and members of the public provided oral comments. After their deliberations, it was determined that PFOS and its salts and transformation and degradation precursors were a risk and therefore added to the Proposition 65 list of chemicals, effective December 24, 2021. The warning requirement for significant exposures to these chemicals will take effect on December 24, 2022.



EPA Releases New TSCA Systematic Review Protocol

TSCA SACC to Review Chemical Exposure & Risks to Fenceline Communities

#### **EPA Releases New TSCA Systematic Review Protocol**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a release regarding a new draft of Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Systematic Review Protocol. The goal of this updated protocol is to strengthen the EPA's approach to reviewing and selecting scientific studies that are used to:

- inform TSCA chemical risk evaluations,
- remove biases, and
- ensure the EPA has the best tools under TSCA to protect human health and the environment.

This protocol is expected to replace the 2018 version. The draft protocol will undergo peer review by the TSCA Scientific Advisory Committee on Chemicals (SACC) April 19-21, 2022. Meeting information will be announced on the <u>SACC website</u>. EPA is accepting comments on the draft protocol in docket EPA-HQ-OPPT-2021-0414 for 60 days until February 18, 2022. <u>Read the Federal Register notice</u>.

## TSCA SACC to Review Chemical Exposures and Risks to Fenceline Communities

The EPA's TSCA Scientific
Advisory Committee on
Chemicals (SACC) will hold a
public meeting March 15-17,
2022 to peer review the EPA's
TSCA Screening Level Approach
for Assessing Ambient Air and
Water Exposures to Fenceline
Communities. This will be Version
1.0.

In addition to presenting this methodology, the EPA will also present results of applying the screening methodology (case



studies) to 1-Brompropane (air pathway), n-methylpyrrolidone (water pathway), and Methylene Chloride (air and water pathway).

Public comments on the draft proposed screening level methodology to evaluate chemical exposures and risks to fenceline communities should be submitted on or before February 22, 2022.



Safe Work Australia: New Solar Ultraviolet Fact Sheet

WHO Webinar: Design Training in Chemical Risk Assessment

#### Safe Work Australia: New Solar Ultraviolet Fact Sheet

Safe Work Australia has developed a new <u>fact sheet on the risks</u> <u>of solar ultraviolet radiation (UVR)</u> exposure at work.

Raising awareness of the dangers of UVR for anyone who works outside is important, given the high rate of skin cancer in Australia. Around two in three Australians will be diagnosed with some form of skin cancer before the age of 70\*.

Exposure to solar UVR is a risk for anyone who works outside. Solar UVR is not only a hazard when working in direct sunlight. It can also be reflected off certain materials.



such as concrete, metal, snow and sand, increasing the level of exposure.

In the United States, the Center for Disease Control website has a dedicated section called <u>Radiation and Your Health</u>, which details radiation exposure, including ultraviolet. The page also links to the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) for <u>sun exposure</u> in the workplace.

\*Data source: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW), Skin cancer in Australia, AIHW, Canberra, 2016.

### WHO Webinar: Design Training in Chemical Risk Assessment

The World Health Organization (WHO) Chemical Risk Assessment Network Community of Trainers launched a <u>webinar series</u> on how to design training in chemical risk assessment.

The second webinar in the series "Content, Teaching and learning activities and material" will take place February 1, 2022, 2 pm - 4 pm UTC+1/CET.

The third webinar will take place March 29, 2022. It is titled "Format for training, Assessment and Participant feedback".

The meetings will occur via the Zoom platform. For information on how to attend the webinar, please write to <a href="mailto:ipcsmail@who.int">ipcsmail@who.int</a>.



## REGULATORY ECHA Updates

#### **ECHA Updates**

The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) had a busy end of 2021/start of 2022, much of which they've shared via their podcast or <u>YouTube channel</u>. Here are a few of examples:

Highlights from the December Biocidal Products Committee where they adopted 16 opinions: 10 on the approval of active substances, two on Union authorization, and four addressing requests from the European Commission.



ECHA webinars and podcasts can be heard on their YouTube channel. Their December videos have more than 12,000 views. Two most watched in December: OECD QSAR Toolbox Applications for REACH and Beyond and Assessing Groups of Chemicals.



<u>Four hazardous chemicals added to the Candidate List</u> The ECHA Candidate List of substances of very high concern now contains 223 entries. January 2022 saw the addition of:

- 6,6'-di-tert-butyl-2,2'-methylenedi-p-cresol
- tris(2-methoxyethoxy)vinylsilane
- (±)-1,7,7-trimethyl-3-[(4-methylphenyl)methylene]bicyclo[2.2.1] heptan-2-one covering any of the individual isomers and/or combinations thereof (4-MBC)
- S-(tricyclo(5.2.1.02,6)deca-3-en-8(or 9)-yl O-(isopropyl or isobutyl or 2-ethylhexyl) O-(isopropyl or isobutyl or 2ethylhexyl) phosphorodithioate

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