



Chemicals Regulation Division

**Workshop on Dermal Absorption and the  
EFSA Guidance for Plant Protection & Biocidal Products**

**Programme**

<b>Time</b>	
	<b>Day 1</b>
9:25 – 9:35	<b>Welcome and introduction to the day (Day 1)</b>
9.35 – 10:00	<b>Introduction to the skin</b>
10:00 – 11:15 (inc. break)	<b>Critical aspects of Dermal Absorption Studies</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How to proceed when there are no data on the formulation under consideration</li><li>• Introduction to dermal absorption studies</li><li>• Justification for excluding residues in tape strips and skin at application site</li><li>• Variability, recovery and outliers</li><li>• Relationship between different dilutions of the formulation</li></ul>
11:15 -11:30	<b>Break</b>
11:30 – 12:40	<b>Overview of 2017 EFSA guidance on dermal absorption</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Including key differences between current and previous guidance documents</li></ul>
12:40 – 13:00	<b>Questions and Answers Session</b>
13:00 – 14:00	<b>Lunch</b>
14:00 – 15:00	<b>Workshop Session 1</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Worked examples of interpretation of absorption studies using the 2017 EFSA guidance document, focussing on <i>in-vitro</i> studies</li><li>• Interactive discussion of interpretational issues, common problems and frequent omissions</li></ul>
15:00	<b>Close of Day 1</b>

	<b>Day 2</b>
09:30 – 09:35	<b>Welcome and introduction to the day (Day 2)</b>
09:35 – 10:20	<b>Workshop Session 2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worked examples of interpretation of absorption studies using the 2017 EFSA guidance document, focussing on <i>in-vitro</i> studies</li> <li>• Interactive discussion of interpretational issues, common problems and frequent omissions</li> </ul>
10:20 – 10:30	Break
10:30 – 10:40	<b>Introduction to biocidal products</b> Guidance on biocidal products and applicability of EFSA guidance on dermal absorption
10:40 – 11:10	<b>Dermal absorption of PT 21 (antifouling products)</b> How to perform and interpret the results of dermal absorption studies performed on PT 21 products
11:10 – 11:40	<b>Dermal absorption of anticoagulant rodenticides</b> How to evaluate studies, consider similarity of formulations, read-across between different anticoagulant rodenticides and the pro-rata approach
11:40 – 12:00	<b>Questions and Answers Session</b>
12:00 – 12:30	<b>Lunch</b>
12:30 – 13:30	Biocides: case study
13:30	<b>Close of day 2</b>

**Please note timings are approximate, and we reserve the right to amend the content if necessary. There will be opportunities to ask questions regularly throughout the course.**