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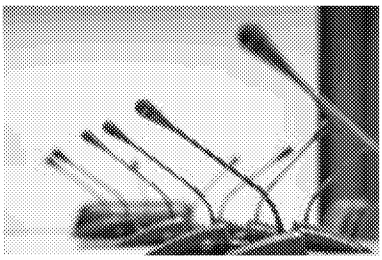
EPA's Human Health Risk Assessment (HHRA)

Research Program Update

EPA Announces Updates to Pesticide Values on IRIS

Notice: EPA is announcing an update to the IRIS database which will archive 51 IRIS assessments for pesticides that have more recent toxicity values available through the Office of Pesticide Programs. The IRIS entries will also provide links to the more recent assessments. For a list of pesticides being archived, click here.

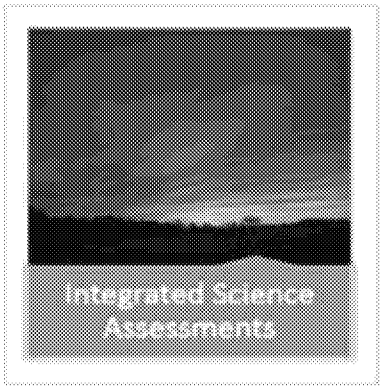


EPA Reschedules September 7 IRIS Public Science Meeting

Notice: EPA will discuss the draft IRIS assessment of ethyl tertiary butyl ether (ETBE) at an **October 26, 2016** IRIS Public Science Meeting in Arlington, Virginia. ETBE was previously scheduled to be discussed at the September 7, 2016 IRIS Public Science Meeting. However, due to recent scheduling changes and to provide adequate time for public review of materials, the IRIS Program has rescheduled the science discussion of ETBE to October.

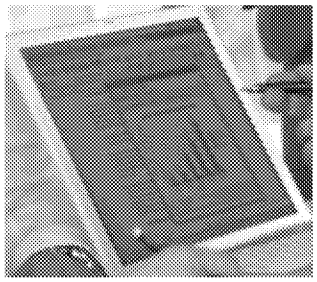
For more information about this meeting, visit the October Public Science Meeting webpage.

Recent Developments



EPA hosts public workshops for first draft ISA for Particulate Matter (PM)

During the month of June, EPA held four public peer input webinars to solicit input on preliminary written materials being prepared for the first draft Integrated Science Assessment (ISA) for Particulate Matter (PM). Invited experts from multiple scientific disciplines were asked to provide input on written sections being drafted for the PM ISA on topics including 1) atmospheric chemistry and exposure; 2) welfare effects; 3) mode of action, dosimetry, and cancer; and 4) health effects. PM is one of six principal (or criteria) air pollutants for which EPA has established National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) and the input received during these workshops will help shape the first draft PM ISA scheduled for public release and subsequent review by the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) in 2017.



HHRA scientists present at the German Environment Agency

On June 21, NCEA's Paul Schlosser and Alan Sasso spoke at a technical workshop at the German Environment Agency (the Umweltbundesamt, or UBA) in Berlin, Germany. The topic of the workshop was hexavalent chromium in drinking water. Drs. Schlosser and Sasso were invited by the UBA because of their work on the IRIS toxicological review of hexavalent chromium, and their expertise on physiologically-based models to describe its toxicokinetics.

June IRIS Public Science Meeting

On June 29 and 30, NCEA convened a public science meeting with more than 160 attendees to discuss key science topics related to draft IRIS assessments of benzo[a]pyrene (BaP) and tert-Butyl alcohol (t-butanol). Topics included approaches to estimate the risk of skin cancer following dermal exposure to BaP and a review of thyroid effects and kidney carcinogenicity associated with t-butanol.

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