

## 9.2. Exposure scenario 2: Use at industrial sites - Use as an intermediate - industrial

**Sector of use:** SU 14: Manufacture of basic metals, including alloys; SU 24: Scientific research and development; SU 8: Manufacture of bulk, large scale chemicals (including petroleum products); SU 9: Manufacture of fine chemicals

<b>Environment contributing scenario(s):</b>	
Use as intermediate - industrial with STP	ERC 6a
Use as intermediate - industrial with direct discharge	ERC 6a
<b>Worker contributing scenario(s):</b>	
Closed batch process	PROC 3
Open or semi-closed reaction process	PROC 4
Wet cleaning	PROC 8a
Filling/handling/transfer of solutions	PROC 8b
Small scale handling/transfer of solutions	PROC 9
Potentially-closed processing at elevated temperature	PROC 22
Open processing at elevated temperature	PROC 23
Vacuum cleaning	PROC 26

### Explanation on the approach taken for the ES

#### 9.2.1. Env CS 1: Use as an intermediate - industrial; with STP (ERC 6a)

##### 9.2.1.1. Conditions of use

Amount used, frequency and duration of use (or from service life)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily use amount at site: &lt;= 0.095 tonnes/day</li> <li>• Annual use amount at site: &lt;= 31.4 tonnes/year</li> </ul>
Conditions and measures related to biological sewage treatment plant
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biological STP: Site specific [Effectiveness Water: 46%]</li> <li>• Discharge rate of STP: &gt;= 9360 m<sup>3</sup>/day</li> <li>• Application of the STP sludge on agricultural soil: No</li> </ul>
Conditions and measures related to external treatment of waste (including article waste)
Hazardous wastes from onsite risk management measures and solid or liquid wastes from production, use and cleaning processes should be disposed of separately to hazardous waste incineration plants or hazardous waste landfills as hazardous waste. Releases to the floor,

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water and soil are to be prevented. If the ruthenium content of the waste is elevated enough, internal or external recovery/recycling should be considered.

Fraction of daily/annual use expected in waste: 0%

Appropriate waste codes: 06 04 05\*, 06 05 02\*, 10 08 09, 10 08 11, 10 08 16, 10 08 18, 15 02 02\*, 16 08 03, 16 08 06\*, 16 08 07\*, 19 08 06\*, 20 01 40

Suitable disposal: Hazardous waste produced during the manufacture and downstream use is sent to a recycler only marginal amounts are sent to a landfill or an incinerator. Waste containing ruthenium is recycled for almost a 100%

A detailed assessment has been performed and is reported in the Waste report (ARCHE, 2017)

Other conditions affecting environmental exposure

• Receiving surface water flow rate:  $\geq 458640$  m<sup>3</sup>/day

### Fate (release percentage) in the biological sewage treatment plant

The biological STP is site specific and the releases to the various compartments have been set by the assessor They are distributed in the following way:

Release to water	54%
Release to air	0%
Release to sludge	46%
Release degraded	0%

Explanations :

Measured result

### **9.2.1.2. Releases**

The local releases to the environment are reported in the following table. Note that the releases reported do not account for the removal in the modelled biological STP.

**Table 9.17. Local releases to the environment**

Release	Release estimation method	Explanations
Water	Estimated release factor	<b>Release factor before on site RMM:</b> 4E-3% <b>Release factor after on site RMM:</b> 4E-3% <b>Local release rate:</b> 3.8E-3 kg/day
Air	Estimated release factor	<b>Release factor before on site RMM:</b> 0.03% <b>Release factor after on site RMM:</b> 0.03% <b>Local release rate:</b> 0.029 kg/day
Non	Estimated release	<b>Release factor after on site RMM:</b> 0%

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Release	Release estimation method	Explanations
agricultural soil	factor	

### 9.2.1.3. Exposure and risks for the environment

The exposure concentrations and risk characterisation ratios (RCR) are reported in the following table. The exposure estimates have been obtained with EUSES 2.1.2 unless stated otherwise.

**Table 9.18. Exposure concentrations and risks for the environment**

Protection target	Exposure concentration	Risk quantification
Fresh water	<b>Local PEC:</b> 2.98E-6 mg/L	RCR = 0.026
Sediment (freshwater)	<b>Local PEC:</b> 0.094 mg/kg dw	RCR = 0.262
Sewage Treatment Plant	<b>Local PEC:</b> 2.19E-4 mg/L	RCR < 0.01
Agricultural soil	<b>Local PEC:</b> 9.39E-5 mg/kg dw	RCR < 0.01

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### 9.2.2.1. Conditions of use

Amount used, frequency and duration of use (or from service life)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Daily use amount at site: &lt;= 0.095 tonnes/day</li><li>• Annual use amount at site: &lt;= 31.4 tonnes/year</li></ul>
Conditions and measures related to biological sewage treatment plant
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Biological STP: None [Effectiveness Water: 0%]</li></ul>
Conditions and measures related to external treatment of waste (including article waste)
Hazardous wastes from onsite risk management measures and solid or liquid wastes from production, use and cleaning processes should be disposed of separately to hazardous waste incineration plants or hazardous waste landfills as hazardous waste. Releases to the floor, water and soil are to be prevented. If the ruthenium content of the waste is elevated enough, internal or external recovery/recycling should be considered.
Fraction of daily/annual use expected in waste: 0%
Appropriate waste codes: 06 04 05*, 06 05 02*, 10 08 09, 10 08 11, 10 08 16, 10 08 18, 15 02 02*, 16 08 03, 16 08 06*, 16 08 07*, 19 08 06*, 20 01 40

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Suitable disposal: Hazardous waste produced during the manufacture and downstream use is sent to a recycler only marginal amounts are sent to a landfill or an incinerator. Waste containing ruthenium is recycled for almost a 100%

A detailed assessment has been performed and is reported in the Waste report (ARCHE, 2017)

Other conditions affecting environmental exposure

- Receiving surface water flow rate:  $\geq 2997000$  m<sup>3</sup>/day
- Discharge rate of effluent:  $\geq 3000$  m<sup>3</sup>/day

### 9.2.2.2. Releases

The local releases to the environment are reported in the following table. Note that the releases reported do not account for the removal in the modelled biological STP.

**Table 9.19. Local releases to the environment**

Release	Release estimation method	Explanations
Water	Estimated release factor	<b>Release factor before on site RMM:</b> 4E-3% <b>Release factor after on site RMM:</b> 4E-3% <b>Local release rate:</b> 3.8E-3 kg/day
Air	Estimated release factor	<b>Release factor before on site RMM:</b> 0.03% <b>Release factor after on site RMM:</b> 0.03% <b>Local release rate:</b> 0.029 kg/day
Non agricultural soil	Estimated release factor	<b>Release factor after on site RMM:</b> 0%

### 9.2.2.3. Exposure and risks for the environment

The exposure concentrations and risk characterisation ratios (RCR) are reported in the following table. The exposure estimates have been obtained with EUSES 2.1.2 unless stated otherwise.

**Table 9.20. Exposure concentrations and risks for the environment**

Protection target	Exposure concentration	Risk quantification
Fresh water	<b>Local PEC:</b> 8.62E-7 mg/L	RCR < 0.01
Sediment (freshwater)	<b>Local PEC:</b> 0.027 mg/kg dw	RCR = 0.076
Sewage Treatment Plant	<b>Local PEC:</b> 0 mg/L	RCR < 0.01
Agricultural soil	<b>Local PEC:</b> 9.39E-5 mg/kg dw	RCR < 0.01

## 9.2.3. Worker contributing scenario 1: Closed batch process (PROC 3)

### 9.2.3.1. Conditions of use

	Method
<b>Product (article) characteristics</b>	
• Physical form of substance: Solid	External Tool (MEASE)
• Maximum emission potential of the substance: High (Only the highest emission potential (EP) is reported. Lower EPs (e.g. if materials of lower dustiness are being handled in parallel) are thus automatically covered in this assessment.)	External Tool (MEASE)
• Content in preparation: Not restricted [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Amount used (or contained in articles), frequency and duration of use/exposure</b>	
• Maximum duration of exposure: > 240 min (not restricted) [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Technical and organisational conditions and measures</b>	
• Level of containment: Closed process	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of use: Non-dispersive use	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of exposure control: Non-direct handling	External Tool (MEASE)
• Contact level: Intermittent	External Tool (MEASE)
• Generic local exhaust ventilation: Lower confidence limit (industrial use) (Standard efficiency) [Effectiveness Inhal: 78%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation</b>	
• Gloves/face protection: Due to the potential adverse effects of the substance to skin (moderate hazard), protective gloves according to EN 374 have to be worn at all workplaces. Additionally, face protection is required to be worn as appropriate. Gloves have to be changed according to manufacturer's information or when damaged, whatever is the earlier. [Effectiveness Dermal: 90%]	External Tool (MEASE)
• Eye protection: Eye protection to be worn to protect from adverse effects to the eyes (moderate hazard). (Due to the adverse effects of the substance to the eyes, direct contact of the eyes with the substance is to be avoided including hand to eye transfer after touching contaminated surfaces. Suitable eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn.)	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Respiratory protective equipment (RPE) as precautionary measure: RPE protecting from local effects via inhalation (moderate hazard). (Due to potential adverse effects of the substance to the respiratory tract, RPE (minimum assigned protection factor of 10) is prescribed on a precautionary basis for all workplaces unless inhalation exposure to the substance can be excluded.)</li></ul>	

### 9.2.3.2. Exposure and risks for workers

The exposure concentrations and risk characterisation ratios (RCRs) are reported in the following table.

**Table 9.21. Exposure concentrations and risks for workers**

Route of exposure and type of effects	Exposure concentration	Risk characterisation
Inhalation, systemic, long-term	<b>0.22 mg/m<sup>3</sup></b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR = 0.786
Inhalation, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Inhalation, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, systemic, long-term	<b>0.17 µg/kg bw/day</b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR < 0.01
Dermal, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Eye, local		Qualitative (see below)
Combined routes, systemic, long-term		RCR = 0.786

#### Remarks on exposure data

##### **External Tool (MEASE)**

- Dermal, systemic, long-term:  
For calculation of systemic exposure, the exposure estimate for total dermal loading as obtained in MEASE (reported in mg/day) is divided by a body weight of 70 kg for workers.

#### Conclusion on risk characterisation

Under the prescribed conditions of use, quantitative estimated exposures are below the respective DNELs (RCRs < 1).

Further information on the risk characterisation for local effects via inhalation, for local dermal

effects and local effects to the eyes is given in Section 9.0.2.3.

On this basis, systemic and local risks are considered to be adequately controlled.

## 9.2.4. Worker contributing scenario 2: Open or semi-closed reaction process (PROC 4)

### 9.2.4.1. Conditions of use

	Method
<b>Product (article) characteristics</b>	
• Physical form of substance: Solid, powder / dust	External Tool (MEASE)
• Maximum emission potential of the substance: High (Only the highest emission potential (EP) is reported. Lower EPs (e.g. if materials of lower dustiness are being handled in parallel) are thus automatically covered in this assessment.)	External Tool (MEASE)
• Content in preparation: Not restricted [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Amount used (or contained in articles), frequency and duration of use/exposure</b>	
• Maximum duration of exposure: > 240 min (not restricted) [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Technical and organisational conditions and measures</b>	
• Integrated local exhaust ventilation: Lower confidence limit (industrial use) (Standard efficiency) [Effectiveness Inhal: 84%]	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of use: Non-dispersive use	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of exposure control: Non-direct handling	External Tool (MEASE)
• Contact level: Intermittent	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation</b>	
• Respiratory protective equipment (RPE) must be worn: RPE (minimum assigned protection factor of 20) is prescribed for all workplaces unless inhalation exposure to the substance can be excluded.	External Tool (MEASE)
• Gloves/face protection: Due to the potential adverse effects of the substance to skin (moderate hazard), protective gloves according to EN 374 have to be worn at all workplaces. Additionally, face protection is required to be worn as appropriate. Gloves have to be changed according to manufacturer's information or when damaged, whatever is the earlier. [Effectiveness Dermal: 90%]	External Tool (MEASE)
• Eye protection: Eye protection to be worn to protect from adverse effects to the eyes (moderate hazard). (Due to the adverse effects of	

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the substance to the eyes, direct contact of the eyes with the substance is to be avoided including hand to eye transfer after touching contaminated surfaces. Suitable eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn.)	

### 9.2.4.2. Exposure and risks for workers

The exposure concentrations and risk characterisation ratios (RCRs) are reported in the following table.

**Table 9.22. Exposure concentrations and risks for workers**

Route of exposure and type of effects	Exposure concentration	Risk characterisation
Inhalation, systemic, long-term	<b>0.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup></b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR = 0.714
Inhalation, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Inhalation, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, systemic, long-term	<b>0.34 µg/kg bw/day</b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR < 0.01
Dermal, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Eye, local		Qualitative (see below)
Combined routes, systemic, long-term		RCR = 0.715

### Remarks on exposure data

#### **External Tool (MEASE)**

- Dermal, systemic, long-term:  
For calculation of systemic exposure, the exposure estimate for total dermal loading as obtained in MEASE (reported in mg/day) is divided by a body weight of 70 kg for workers.

### Conclusion on risk characterisation

Under the prescribed conditions of use, quantitative estimated exposures are below the respective DNELs (RCRs < 1).

Further information on the risk characterisation for local effects via inhalation, for local dermal effects and local effects to the eyes is given in Section 9.0.2.3.



On this basis, systemic and local risks are considered to be adequately controlled.

## 9.2.5. Worker contributing scenario 3: Handling and transfer of wetted powders (PROC 26)

### 9.2.5.1. Conditions of use

	Method
<b>Product (article) characteristics</b>	
• Physical form of substance: Solid, damp powder	External Tool (MEASE)
• Maximum emission potential of the substance: Low (powder kept wetted to reduce dustiness)	External Tool (MEASE)
• Content in preparation: Not restricted [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Amount used (or contained in articles), frequency and duration of use/exposure</b>	
• Maximum duration of exposure: > 240 min (not restricted) [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Technical and organisational conditions and measures</b>	
• Integrated local exhaust ventilation: Lower confidence limit (industrial use) (Standard efficiency) [Effectiveness Inhal: 84%]	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of use: Non-dispersive use	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of exposure control: Non-direct handling	External Tool (MEASE)
• Contact level: Extensive	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation</b>	
• Gloves/face protection: Due to the potential adverse effects of the substance to skin (moderate hazard), protective gloves according to EN 374 have to be worn at all workplaces. Additionally, face protection is required to be worn as appropriate. Gloves have to be changed according to manufacturer's information or when damaged, whatever is the earlier. [Effectiveness Dermal: 90%]	External Tool (MEASE)
• Respiratory protective equipment (RPE) as precautionary measure: RPE protecting from local effects via inhalation (moderate hazard). (Due to potential adverse effects of the substance to the respiratory tract, RPE (minimum assigned protection factor of 10) is prescribed on a precautionary basis for all workplaces unless inhalation exposure to the substance can be excluded.)	
• Eye protection: Eye protection to be worn to protect from adverse effects to the eyes (moderate hazard). (Due to the adverse effects of	

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the substance to the eyes, direct contact of the eyes with the substance is to be avoided including hand to eye transfer after touching contaminated surfaces. Suitable eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn.)	

### 9.2.5.2. Exposure and risks for workers

The exposure concentrations and risk characterisation ratios (RCRs) are reported in the following table.

**Table 9.23. Exposure concentrations and risks for workers**

Route of exposure and type of effects	Exposure concentration	Risk characterisation
Inhalation, systemic, long-term	<b>0.24 mg/m<sup>3</sup></b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR = 0.857
Inhalation, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Inhalation, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, systemic, long-term	<b>1.4 µg/kg bw/day</b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR < 0.01
Dermal, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Eye, local		Qualitative (see below)
Combined routes, systemic, long-term		RCR = 0.861

#### Remarks on exposure data

##### **External Tool (MEASE)**

- Dermal, systemic, long-term:  
For calculation of systemic exposure, the exposure estimate for total dermal loading as obtained in MEASE (reported in mg/day) is divided by a body weight of 70 kg for workers.

#### Conclusion on risk characterisation

Under the prescribed conditions of use, quantitative estimated exposures are below the respective DNELs (RCRs < 1).

Further information on the risk characterisation for local effects via inhalation, for local dermal effects and local effects to the eyes is given in Section 9.0.2.3.

On this basis, systemic and local risks are considered to be adequately controlled.

## 9.2.6. Worker contributing scenario 4: Wet cleaning (PROC 8a)

### 9.2.6.1. Conditions of use

	Method
<b>Product (article) characteristics</b>	
• Physical form of substance: Solution, suspension	External Tool (MEASE)
• Maximum emission potential of the substance: Very low (Only the highest emission potential (EP) is reported. Lower EPs (e.g. if materials of lower dustiness are being handled in parallel) are thus automatically covered in this assessment.)	External Tool (MEASE)
• Content in preparation: Not restricted [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Amount used (or contained in articles), frequency and duration of use/exposure</b>	
• Maximum duration of exposure: > 240 min (not restricted) [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Technical and organisational conditions and measures</b>	
• Pattern of use: Non-dispersive use	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of exposure control: Direct handling	External Tool (MEASE)
• Contact level: Extensive	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation</b>	
• Gloves/face protection: Due to the potential adverse effects of the substance to skin (moderate hazard), protective gloves according to EN 374 have to be worn at all workplaces. Additionally, face protection is required to be worn as appropriate. Gloves have to be changed according to manufacturer's information or when damaged, whatever is the earlier. [Effectiveness Dermal: 90%]	External Tool (MEASE)
• Eye protection: Eye protection to be worn to protect from adverse effects to the eyes (moderate hazard). (Due to the adverse effects of the substance to the eyes, direct contact of the eyes with the substance is to be avoided including hand to eye transfer after touching contaminated surfaces. Suitable eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn.)	
• Respiratory protective equipment (RPE) as precautionary measure: RPE protecting from local effects via inhalation (moderate hazard). (Due	

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to potential adverse effects of the substance to the respiratory tract, RPE (minimum assigned protection factor of 10) is prescribed on a precautionary basis for all workplaces unless inhalation exposure to the substance can be excluded.)	

### 9.2.6.2. Exposure and risks for workers

The exposure concentrations and risk characterisation ratios (RCRs) are reported in the following table.

**Table 9.24. Exposure concentrations and risks for workers**

Route of exposure and type of effects	Exposure concentration	Risk characterisation
Inhalation, systemic, long-term	<b>0.05 mg/m<sup>3</sup></b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR = 0.179
Inhalation, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Inhalation, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, systemic, long-term	<b>34 µg/kg bw/day</b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR = 0.085
Dermal, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Eye, local		Qualitative (see below)
Combined routes, systemic, long-term		RCR = 0.264

#### Remarks on exposure data

##### **External Tool (MEASE)**

- Dermal, systemic, long-term:  
For calculation of systemic exposure, the exposure estimate for total dermal loading as obtained in MEASE (reported in mg/day) is divided by a body weight of 70 kg for workers.

#### Conclusion on risk characterisation

Further information on the risk characterisation for local effects via inhalation, for local dermal effects and local effects to the eyes is given in Section 9.0.2.3.

Under the prescribed conditions of use, estimated exposures are below the respective DNELs and, therefore, risks are considered to be adequately controlled.

## 9.2.7. Worker contributing scenario 5: Filling/handling/transfer of solutions (PROC 8b)

### 9.2.7.1. Conditions of use

	Method
<b>Product (article) characteristics</b>	
• Physical form of substance: Solution	External Tool (MEASE)
• Maximum emission potential of the substance: Very low (Only the highest emission potential (EP) is reported. Lower EPs (e.g. if materials of lower dustiness are being handled in parallel) are thus automatically covered in this assessment.)	External Tool (MEASE)
• Content in preparation: Not restricted [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Amount used (or contained in articles), frequency and duration of use/exposure</b>	
• Maximum duration of exposure: > 240 min (not restricted) [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Technical and organisational conditions and measures</b>	
• Pattern of use: Non-dispersive use	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of exposure control: Non-direct handling	External Tool (MEASE)
• Contact level: Intermittent	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation</b>	
• Gloves/face protection: Due to the potential adverse effects of the substance to skin (moderate hazard), protective gloves according to EN 374 have to be worn at all workplaces. Additionally, face protection is required to be worn as appropriate. Gloves have to be changed according to manufacturer's information or when damaged, whatever is the earlier. [Effectiveness Dermal: 90%]	External Tool (MEASE)
• Eye protection: Eye protection to be worn to protect from adverse effects to the eyes (moderate hazard). (Due to the adverse effects of the substance to the eyes, direct contact of the eyes with the substance is to be avoided including hand to eye transfer after touching contaminated surfaces. Suitable eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn.)	
• Respiratory protective equipment (RPE) as precautionary measure: RPE protecting from local effects via inhalation (moderate hazard). (Due to potential adverse effects of the substance to the respiratory tract, RPE (minimum assigned protection factor of 10) is prescribed on a	

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precautionary basis for all workplaces unless inhalation exposure to the substance can be excluded.)	

### 9.2.7.2. Exposure and risks for workers

The exposure concentrations and risk characterisation ratios (RCRs) are reported in the following table.

**Table 9.25. Exposure concentrations and risks for workers**

Route of exposure and type of effects	Exposure concentration	Risk characterisation
Inhalation, systemic, long-term	<b>0.01 mg/m<sup>3</sup></b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR = 0.036
Inhalation, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Inhalation, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, systemic, long-term	<b>0.34 µg/kg bw/day</b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR < 0.01
Dermal, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Eye, local		Qualitative (see below)
Combined routes, systemic, long-term		RCR = 0.037

#### Remarks on exposure data

##### **External Tool (MEASE)**

- Dermal, systemic, long-term:  
For calculation of systemic exposure, the exposure estimate for total dermal loading as obtained in MEASE (reported in mg/day) is divided by a body weight of 70 kg for workers.

#### Conclusion on risk characterisation

Under the prescribed conditions of use, quantitative estimated exposures are below the respective DNELs (RCRs < 1).

Further information on the risk characterisation for local effects via inhalation, for local dermal effects and local effects to the eyes is given in Section 9.0.2.3.

On this basis, systemic and local risks are considered to be adequately controlled.

## 9.2.8. Worker contributing scenario 6: Small scale handling/transfer of solutions (PROC 9)

### 9.2.8.1. Conditions of use

	Method
<b>Product (article) characteristics</b>	
• Physical form of substance: Solution	External Tool (MEASE)
• Maximum emission potential of the substance: Very low (Only the highest emission potential (EP) is reported. Lower EPs (e.g. if materials of lower dustiness are being handled in parallel) are thus automatically covered in this assessment.)	External Tool (MEASE)
• Content in preparation: Not restricted [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Amount used (or contained in articles), frequency and duration of use/exposure</b>	
• Maximum duration of exposure: > 240 min (not restricted) [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Technical and organisational conditions and measures</b>	
• Pattern of use: Non-dispersive use	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of exposure control: Direct handling	External Tool (MEASE)
• Contact level: Intermittent	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation</b>	
• Gloves/face protection: Due to the potential adverse effects of the substance to skin (moderate hazard), protective gloves according to EN 374 have to be worn at all workplaces. Additionally, face protection is required to be worn as appropriate. Gloves have to be changed according to manufacturer's information or when damaged, whatever is the earlier. [Effectiveness Dermal: 90%]	External Tool (MEASE)
• Eye protection: Eye protection to be worn to protect from adverse effects to the eyes (moderate hazard). (Due to the adverse effects of the substance to the eyes, direct contact of the eyes with the substance is to be avoided including hand to eye transfer after touching contaminated surfaces. Suitable eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn.)	
• Respiratory protective equipment (RPE) as precautionary measure: RPE protecting from local effects via inhalation (moderate hazard). (Due to potential adverse effects of the substance to the respiratory tract, RPE (minimum assigned protection factor of 10) is prescribed on a	

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precautionary basis for all workplaces unless inhalation exposure to the substance can be excluded.)	

### 9.2.8.2. Exposure and risks for workers

The exposure concentrations and risk characterisation ratios (RCRs) are reported in the following table.

**Table 9.26. Exposure concentrations and risks for workers**

Route of exposure and type of effects	Exposure concentration	Risk characterisation
Inhalation, systemic, long-term	<b>0.01 mg/m<sup>3</sup></b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR = 0.026
Inhalation, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Inhalation, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, systemic, long-term	<b>3.4 µg/kg bw/day</b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR = 0.013
Dermal, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Eye, local		Qualitative (see below)
Combined routes, systemic, long-term		RCR = 0.039

#### Remarks on exposure data

##### **External Tool (MEASE)**

- Dermal, systemic, long-term:  
For calculation of systemic exposure, the exposure estimate for total dermal loading as obtained in MEASE (reported in mg/day) is divided by a body weight of 70 kg for workers.

#### Conclusion on risk characterisation

Under the prescribed conditions of use, quantitative estimated exposures are below the respective DNELs (RCRs < 1).

Further information on the risk characterisation for local effects via inhalation, for local dermal effects and local effects to the eyes is given in Section 9.0.2.3.

On this basis, systemic and local risks are considered to be adequately controlled.



## 9.2.9. Worker contributing scenario 7: Potentially-closed processing at elevated temperature (PROC 22)

### 9.2.9.1. Conditions of use

	Method
<b>Product (article) characteristics</b>	
• Physical form of substance: Solid	External Tool (MEASE)
• Maximum emission potential of the substance: High (Only the highest emission potential (EP) is reported. Lower EPs (e.g. if materials of lower dustiness are being handled in parallel) are thus automatically covered in this assessment.)	External Tool (MEASE)
• Content in preparation: Not restricted [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Amount used (or contained in articles), frequency and duration of use/exposure</b>	
• Maximum duration of exposure: > 240 min (not restricted) [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Technical and organisational conditions and measures</b>	
• Process temperature: Elevated, but below melting point (i.e. < 450 °C)	External Tool (MEASE)
• Generic local exhaust ventilation: Lower confidence limit (industrial use) (Standard efficiency) [Effectiveness Inhal: 78%]	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of use: Non-dispersive use	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of exposure control: Non-direct handling	External Tool (MEASE)
• Contact level: Intermittent	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation</b>	
• Gloves/face protection: Due to the potential adverse effects of the substance to skin (moderate hazard), protective gloves according to EN 374 have to be worn at all workplaces. Additionally, face protection is required to be worn as appropriate. Gloves have to be changed according to manufacturer's information or when damaged, whatever is the earlier. [Effectiveness Dermal: 90%]	External Tool (MEASE)
• Eye protection: Eye protection to be worn to protect from adverse effects to the eyes (moderate hazard). (Due to the adverse effects of the substance to the eyes, direct contact of the eyes with the substance is to be avoided including hand to eye transfer after touching contaminated surfaces. Suitable eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn.)	

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	<b>Method</b>
• Respiratory protective equipment (RPE) as precautionary measure: RPE protecting from local effects via inhalation (moderate hazard). (Due to potential adverse effects of the substance to the respiratory tract, RPE (minimum assigned protection factor of 10) is prescribed on a precautionary basis for all workplaces unless inhalation exposure to the substance can be excluded.)	

### **9.2.9.2. Exposure and risks for workers**

The exposure concentrations and risk characterisation ratios (RCRs) are reported in the following table.

**Table 9.27. Exposure concentrations and risks for workers**

<b>Route of exposure and type of effects</b>	<b>Exposure concentration</b>	<b>Risk characterisation</b>
Inhalation, systemic, long-term	<b>0.22 mg/m<sup>3</sup></b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR = 0.786
Inhalation, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Inhalation, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, systemic, long-term	<b>1.4 µg/kg bw/day</b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR < 0.01
Dermal, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Eye, local		Qualitative (see below)
Combined routes, systemic, long-term		RCR = 0.789

#### **Remarks on exposure data**

##### **External Tool (MEASE)**

- Dermal, systemic, long-term:  
For calculation of systemic exposure, the exposure estimate for total dermal loading as obtained in MEASE (reported in mg/day) is divided by a body weight of 70 kg for workers.

#### **Conclusion on risk characterisation**

Under the prescribed conditions of use, quantitative estimated exposures are below the respective DNELs (RCRs < 1).

Further information on the risk characterisation for local effects via inhalation, for local dermal

effects and local effects to the eyes is given in Section 9.0.2.3.

On this basis, systemic and local risks are considered to be adequately controlled.

## 9.2.10. Worker contributing scenario 8: Open processing at elevated temperature (PROC 23)

### 9.2.10.1. Conditions of use

	Method
<b>Product (article) characteristics</b>	
• Physical form of substance: Solid	External Tool (MEASE)
• Maximum emission potential of the substance: High (Only the highest emission potential (EP) is reported. Lower EPs (e.g. if materials of lower dustiness are being handled in parallel) are thus automatically covered in this assessment.)	External Tool (MEASE)
• Content in preparation: Not restricted [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Amount used (or contained in articles), frequency and duration of use/exposure</b>	
• Maximum duration of exposure: > 240 min (not restricted) [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Technical and organisational conditions and measures</b>	
• Process temperature: Elevated, but below melting point (i.e. < 450 °C)	External Tool (MEASE)
• Generic local exhaust ventilation: Lower confidence limit (industrial use) (Standard efficiency) [Effectiveness Inhal: 78%]	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of use: Non-dispersive use	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of exposure control: Non-direct handling	External Tool (MEASE)
• Contact level: Intermittent	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation</b>	
• Gloves/face protection: Due to the potential adverse effects of the substance to skin (moderate hazard), protective gloves according to EN 374 have to be worn at all workplaces. Additionally, face protection is required to be worn as appropriate. Gloves have to be changed according to manufacturer's information or when damaged, whatever is the earlier. [Effectiveness Dermal: 90%]	External Tool (MEASE)
• Eye protection: Eye protection to be worn to protect from adverse effects to the eyes (moderate hazard). (Due to the adverse effects of the substance to the eyes, direct contact of the eyes with the substance	

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	Method
is to be avoided including hand to eye transfer after touching contaminated surfaces. Suitable eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn.)	
• Respiratory protective equipment (RPE) as precautionary measure: RPE protecting from local effects via inhalation (moderate hazard). (Due to potential adverse effects of the substance to the respiratory tract, RPE (minimum assigned protection factor of 10) is prescribed on a precautionary basis for all workplaces unless inhalation exposure to the substance can be excluded.)	

### 9.2.10.2. Exposure and risks for workers

The exposure concentrations and risk characterisation ratios (RCRs) are reported in the following table.

**Table 9.28. Exposure concentrations and risks for workers**

Route of exposure and type of effects	Exposure concentration	Risk characterisation
Inhalation, systemic, long-term	<b>0.11 mg/m<sup>3</sup></b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR = 0.393
Inhalation, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Inhalation, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, systemic, long-term	<b>1.4 µg/kg bw/day</b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR < 0.01
Dermal, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Eye, local		Qualitative (see below)
Combined routes, systemic, long-term		RCR = 0.396

#### Remarks on exposure data

##### **External Tool (MEASE)**

- Dermal, systemic, long-term:  
For calculation of systemic exposure, the exposure estimate for total dermal loading as obtained in MEASE (reported in mg/day) is divided by a body weight of 70 kg for workers.

#### Conclusion on risk characterisation

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Under the prescribed conditions of use, quantitative estimated exposures are below the respective DNELs (RCRs < 1).

Further information on the risk characterisation for local effects via inhalation, for local dermal effects and local effects to the eyes is given in Section 9.0.2.3.

On this basis, systemic and local risks are considered to be adequately controlled.

### 9.2.11. Worker contributing scenario 9: Vacuum cleaning (PROC 26)

#### 9.2.11.1. Conditions of use

	Method
<b>Product (article) characteristics</b>	
• Physical form of substance: Solid, powder / dust	External Tool (MEASE)
• Maximum emission potential of the substance: High (Only the highest emission potential (EP) is reported. Lower EPs (e.g. if materials of lower dustiness are being handled in parallel) are thus automatically covered in this assessment.)	External Tool (MEASE)
• Content in preparation: Not restricted [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Amount used (or contained in articles), frequency and duration of use/exposure</b>	
• Maximum duration of exposure: > 240 min (not restricted) [Effectiveness Inhal: 0%; Dermal: 0%]	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Technical and organisational conditions and measures</b>	
• Integrated local exhaust ventilation: Lower confidence limit (industrial use) (Standard efficiency) [Effectiveness Inhal: 84%] <i>Surrogate exposure determinant used to reflect the efficiency of a vacuum cleaner.</i>	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of use: Non-dispersive use	External Tool (MEASE)
• Pattern of exposure control: Non-direct handling	External Tool (MEASE)
• Contact level: Extensive	External Tool (MEASE)
• Additional operational conditions for cleaning: No direct manual removal of dust.	External Tool (MEASE)
<b>Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation</b>	
• Respiratory protective equipment (RPE): RPE with minimum APF = 20 (APF = assigned protection factor according to EN 529. At minimum any combination of particle filter class P3 with mask according to EN 140,	External Tool (MEASE)

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	Method
EN 1827 or filtering half mask (FF P3) according to EN 149 or combination of P2 filter with face piece according to EN 12941 or EN 12942 or any RPE providing higher APFs according to EN 529 is required.) [Effectiveness Inhal: 95%]	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Gloves/face protection: Due to the potential adverse effects of the substance to skin (moderate hazard), protective gloves according to EN 374 have to be worn at all workplaces. Additionally, face protection is required to be worn as appropriate. Gloves have to be changed according to manufacturer's information or when damaged, whatever is the earlier. [Effectiveness Dermal: 90%]</li></ul>	External Tool (MEASE)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Eye protection: Eye protection to be worn to protect from adverse effects to the eyes (moderate hazard). (Due to the adverse effects of the substance to the eyes, direct contact of the eyes with the substance is to be avoided including hand to eye transfer after touching contaminated surfaces. Suitable eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn.)</li></ul>	

### 9.2.11.2. Exposure and risks for workers

The exposure concentrations and risk characterisation ratios (RCRs) are reported in the following table.

**Table 9.29. Exposure concentrations and risks for workers**

Route of exposure and type of effects	Exposure concentration	Risk characterisation
Inhalation, systemic, long-term	<b>0.08 mg/m<sup>3</sup></b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR = 0.286
Inhalation, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Inhalation, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, systemic, long-term	<b>1.4 µg/kg bw/day</b> (External Tool (MEASE))	RCR < 0.01
Dermal, local, long-term		Qualitative (see below)
Dermal, local, acute		Qualitative (see below)
Eye, local		Qualitative (see below)
Combined routes, systemic, long-term		RCR = 0.289

### Remarks on exposure data

### **External Tool (MEASE)**

- Dermal, systemic, long-term:  
For calculation of systemic exposure, the exposure estimate for total dermal loading as obtained in MEASE (reported in mg/day) is divided by a body weight of 70 kg for workers.

### **Conclusion on risk characterisation**

Under the prescribed conditions of use, quantitative estimated exposures are below the respective DNELs (RCRs < 1).

Further information on the risk characterisation for local effects via inhalation, for local dermal effects and local effects to the eyes is given in Section 9.0.2.3.

On this basis, systemic and local risks are considered to be adequately controlled.