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TOXICITY EQUIVALENCE (TEQ) & RELATIVE POTENCY

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Toxicity Equivalence & Relative Potency

- Commonly used to estimate risks for mixtures of pollutants that cause toxicity through similar mechanisms
 - Toxicity Equivalence – applied to all health endpoints, exposure routes, and exposure durations
 - Dioxin-like compounds: 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo(p)dioxin
 - Relative Potency – limited to specific health endpoints, exposure routes, and exposure durations
 - PAHs: benzo(a)pyrene



Toxicity Equivalence (TEQ)

Pollutant	Concentration	Toxicity Equivalence Factor (TEF) or Relative Potency Factor (RPF)	Toxic Equivalent Concentration
A	2	1	2
B	1	0.5	0.5
C	10	0.1	1
		TEQ Concentration	3.5

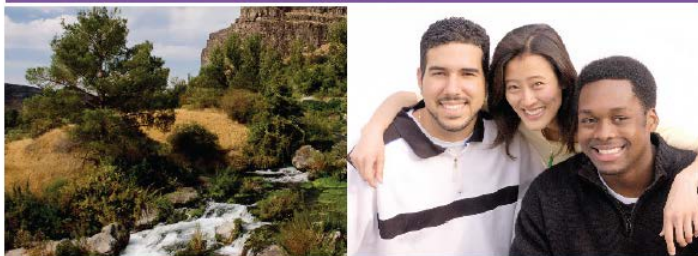
$$TEQ = \sum_{i=1}^n (C_i \times TEF_i)$$

Dioxin-like compounds



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Recommended Toxicity Equivalence Factors (TEFs) for Human Health Risk Assessments of 2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzo-*p*-dioxin and Dioxin-Like Compounds



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Compound

CAS

TEF

Polychlorinated dibenzo-*p*-dioxins (PCDDs)

2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin	1746-01-6	1
1,2,3,7,8-Pentachlorodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin	40321-76-4	1
1,2,3,4,7,8-Hexachlorodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin	39227-28-6	0.1
1,2,3,6,7,8 Hexachlorodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin	57653-85-7	0.1
1,2,3,7,8,9-Hexachlorodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin	19408-74-3	0.1
1,2,3,4,6,7,8-Heptachlorodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin	35822-46-9	0.01
1,2,3,4,6,7,8,9-Octachlorodibenzo- <i>p</i> -Dioxin	3268-87-9	0.0003


Polychlorinated dibenzofurans (PCDFs)

2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzofuran	51207-31-9	0.1
1,2,3,7,8-Pentachlorodibenzofuran	57117-41-6	0.03
2,3,4,7,8-Pentachlorodibenzofuran	57117-31-4	0.3
1,2,3,4,7,8-Hexachlorodibenzofuran	70648-26-9	0.1
1,2,3,6,7,8-Hexachlorodibenzofuran	57117-44-9	0.1
1,2,3,7,8,9-Hexachlorodibenzofuran	72918-21-9	0.1
2,3,4,6,7,8-Hexachlorodibenzofuran	60851-34-5	0.1
1,2,3,4,6,7,8-Heptachlorodibenzofuran	67562-39-4	0.01
1,2,3,4,7,8,9-Heptachlorodibenzofuran	55673-89-7	0.01
1,2,3,4,6,7,8,9-Octachlorodibenzofuran	39001-02-0	0.0003


Polychlorinated biphenyls* (PCBs)

3,3',4,4'-Tetrachlorobiphenyl	32598-13-3	0.0001
3,4,4',5-Tetrachlorobiphenyl	70362-50-4	0.0003
2,3,3',4,4'-Pentachlorobiphenyl	32598-14-4	0.1
2,3,4,4',5-Pentachlorobiphenyl	74472-37-0	0.03
2,3',4,4',5-Pentachlorobiphenyl	31508-00-6	0.00003
2',3,4,4',5-Pentachlorobiphenyl	65510-44-3	0.00003
3,3',4,4',5-Pentachlorobiphenyl	57465-28-8	0.00003
2,3,3',4,4',5-Hexachlorobiphenyl	38380-08-4	0.00003
2,3,3',4,4',5'-Hexachlorobiphenyl	69782-90-7	0.00003
2,3',4,4',5,5'-Hexachlorobiphenyl	52663-72-6	0.00003
3,3',4,4',5,5'-Hexachlorobiphenyl	32774-16-6	0.00003
2,3,3',4,4',5,5'-Heptachlorobiphenyl	39635-31-9	0.00003

PAHs


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DEVELOPMENT OF A RELATIVE POTENCY FACTOR (RPF) APPROACH FOR POLYCYCLIC AROMATIC HYDROCARBON (PAH) MIXTURES

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Appendices G-J

Guidance Manual for Preparation of Health Risk Assessments

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Common Name	EPA 1993	EPA 2010 RPF	OEHHA 2015 PEF
1,6-Dinitropyrene			0.1
1,8-Dinitropyrene			1.0
1-Nitropyrene			0.1
2-Nitrofluorene			0.01
3-Methylcholanthrene			5.7
4-Nitropyrene			0.1
5-Methylchrysene			1.0
5-Nitroacenaphthene			0.03
6-Nitrochrysene			10
7,12-Dimethylbenz[a]anthracene			64.5
7h-Dibenzo[c,g]carbazole			1.0
Benz[a]anthracene	0.1	0.2	0.1
Benzo[a]pyrene	1.0	1.0	1.0
Benzo[b]fluoranthene	0.1	0.8	0.1
Benzo[j]fluoranthene		0.3	0.1
Benzo[k]fluoranthene	0.01	0.03	0.1
Chrysene	0.001	0.1	0.01
Dibenz[a,h]acridine			0.1
Dibenz[a,h]anthracene	1.0	10	0.1
Dibenz[a,j]acridine			0.1
Dibenzo[a,e]pyrene		0.4	1.0
Dibenzo[a,h]pyrene		0.9	10
Dibenzo[a,i]pyrene		0.6	10
Dibenzo[a,l]pyrene		30	10
Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene	0.1	0.07	0.1
Naphtho[2,3-e]pyrene			0.3
Anthanthrene		0.4	
Benz[b,c]aceanthrylene, 11H-		0.05	
Benzo[c]fluorene		20	
Benz[e]aceanthrylene		0.8	
Benzo[g,h,i]perylene		0.009	
Benz[j]aceanthrylene		60	
Benz[l]aceanthrylene		5.0	
Cyclopenta[c,d]pyrene		0.4	
Cyclopenta[d,e,f]chrysene, 4H-		0.3	
Dibenzo[a,c]anthracene		4.0	
Dibenzo[a,e]fluoranthene		0.9	
Dibenzo[a,e]pyrene		0.4	
Fluoranthene		0.08	

ASIL for Dioxin TEQ and PAH mixtures


- Propose to establish an ASIL for the mixture of these chemicals
 - Example

Chemical Name	Averging Period	ASIL (ug/m3)
2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD) - TEQ	year	2.6E-08
2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD)	year	2.6E-08
2,3,4,7,8-Pentachlorodibenzofuran (PeCDF)	year	9.1E-08
1,2,3,4,7,8-Hexachlorodibenzofuran (HxCDF)	year	2.6E-07
1,2,3,4,7,8-Hexachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (HxCDD)	year	2.6E-07
1,2,3,6,7,8-Hexachlorodibenzofuran (HxCDF)	year	2.6E-07
1,2,3,6,7,8-Hexachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (HxCDD)	year	2.6E-07
1,2,3,7,8,9-Hexachlorodibenzofuran (HxCDF)	year	2.6E-07
1,2,3,7,8,9-Hexachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (HxCDD)	year	2.6E-07
2,3,4,6,7,8-Hexachlorodibenzofuran (HxCDF)	year	2.6E-07
2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzofuran (TcDF)	year	2.6E-07
PCB 126 [3,3',4,4',5-pentachlorobiphenyl]	year	2.6E-07
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ASIL for mixture of chemicals



ASIL for each chemical



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EARLY-LIFE ADJUSTMENT FACTORS

Early-Life Adjustment Factors

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Supplemental Guidance for Assessing Susceptibility from
Early-Life Exposure to Carcinogens

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- Applies to cancer causing chemicals that act through a mutagenic mode of action

URF Early-Life Adjustment Factors

Age Range	Early-life adjustment factor
0 to < 2	10
2 to < 16	3
> 16	1

- Used if:
 - Chemical determined to cause cancer through mutagenic mode of action
 - Study that forms the basis of the URF did not include children or juvenile animals
- For lifetime exposure scenario (70 years):
 - Increases risk estimate by a factor of about 1.7

$$10 \times \frac{2}{70} + 3 \times \frac{14}{70} + 1 \times \frac{54}{70} = 1.66$$

Chemicals –Mutagenic Mode of Action

Chemical	CASRN	Reference
Acrylamide	79-06-1	IRIS
Benz[a]anthracene	56-55-3	Benzo[a]pyrene*
Benzidine	92-87-5	Supplemental Guidance
Benzo[a]pyrene	50-32-8	Supplemental Guidance
Benzo[b]fluoranthene	205-99-2	Benzo[a]pyrene*
Benzo[k]fluoranthene	207-08-9	Benzo[a]pyrene*
Chromium(VI)	18540-29-9	CalEPA and OPP
Chrysene	218-01-9	Benzo[a]pyrene*
Coke Oven Emissions	8007-45-2	70 Federal Register 1992
Dibenz[a,h]anthracene	53-70-3	Supplemental Guidance
Dibromo-3-chloropropane, 1,2-	96-12-8	PPRTV
Dimethylbenz(a)anthracene, 7,12-	57-97-6	Supplemental Guidance
Ethylene Oxide	75-21-8	IRIS
Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene	193-39-5	Benzo[a]pyrene*
Methylcholanthrene, 3-	56-49-5	Supplemental Guidance
Methylene Chloride	75-09-2	IRIS
Methylene-bis(2-chloroaniline), 4,4'-	101-14-4	PPRTV
Nitrosodiethylamine, N-	55-18-5	Supplemental Guidance
Nitrosodimethylamine, N-	62-75-9	Supplemental Guidance
Nitroso-N-ethylurea, N-	759-73-9	Supplemental Guidance
Nitroso-N-methylurea, N-	684-93-5	Supplemental Guidance
Safrole	94-59-7	Supplemental Guidance
Trichloroethylene	79-01-6	IRIS
Trichloropropane, 1,2,3-	96-18-4	IRIS
Urethane	51-79-6	Supplemental Guidance
Vinyl Chloride	75-01-4	Supplemental Guidance
Chloroprene	129-99-8	IRIS

Red color

These chemicals not considered mutagenic in EPA's latest National Air Toxics Assessment:

- Chromium VI
- Dibromo-3-chloropropane, 1,2-
- Methylene-bis(2-chloroaniline), 4,4'-