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OF
CANDIDATE INSECT REPELLENT A13-38426a
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**Abstract:**
Chemical AI3-38426a did not produce primary skin irritation in rabbits. It produced moderate injury to the cornea and, in addition, some injury to the conjunctiva upon application to the eyes of rabbits.
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose, essential findings, and major recommendations of the inclosed report follow:

a. Purpose. The purpose of this program is to provide guidance for further entomological testing of the candidate insect repellent A13-38426a by means of laboratory animal studies using New Zealand White rabbits.

b. Essential Findings. The technical grade chemical did not produce primary skin irritation in rabbits. It produced moderate injury to the cornea and, in addition, some injury to the conjunctiva upon application to the eyes of rabbits.

c. Major Recommendations. Recommend that chemical A13-38426a be disapproved for further testing in the form provided. If its repellent properties are significantly superior to the current standard repellent (M-DET), it is recommended that it be resubmitted in a purified form or at the intended usage concentration. This is based on the favorable response obtained in skin irritation studies.

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1. AUTHORITY.


   b. Memorandum of Understanding between the US Army Environmental Hygiene Agency; the US Army Health Services Command; the Department of the Army, Office of the Surgeon General; the Armed Forces Pest Control Board; and the US Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research, Science and Education Administrations; titled, Coordination of Biological and Toxicological Testing of Pesticides, effective 23 January 1979.


3. PURPOSE. The purpose of this program is to provide guidance for further entomological testing of candidate insect repellent A13-38426a, US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Proprietary Chemical.

4. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS. Hazard evaluation of the candidate insect repellent A13-38426a, USDA Proprietary Chemical, was conducted by this Agency using New Zealand White rabbits for skin and eye studies. A tabular presentation of animal toxicity data developed at this Agency follows:*

*In conducting the studies described in this report, the investigators adhered to the "Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals," US Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Publication No. (NIH) 80-23, revised 1978.
†The studies reported herein were performed in animal facilities fully accredited by the American Association for the Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care.

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TABLE. PRESENTATION OF DATA

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5. CONCLUSION. Chemical A13-38426a did not produce primary skin irritation in rabbits. It produced moderate injury to the cornea and, in addition, some injury to the conjunctiva upon application to the eyes of rabbits. These studies were monitored by the Analytical Quality Assurance Office (see Appendix B).

6. RECOMMENDATION. Disapprove USDA Proprietary Chemical A13-38426a for further entomological testing in the form provided (under the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding, para 1b, this report). If its repellent properties are significantly superior to the current standard repellent (M-DET), it should be resubmitted in a purified form or at the intended usage concentration. This is based on the favorable response obtained in skin irritation studies.

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APPENDIX A

TOPICAL HAZARD EVALUATION PROGRAM
DEFINITIONS OF CATEGORIES OF COMPOUNDS BEING
CONSIDERED FOR ACUTE SKIN APPLICATION

CATEGORY I - Compounds producing no primary irritation of the intact skin or
no greater than mild primary irritation of the skin surrounding an abrasion.
(INTERPRETATION: No restriction for acute application to the human skin.)

CATEGORY II - Compounds producing mild primary irritation of the intact skin
and the skin surrounding an abrasion. (INTERPRETATION: Should be used only
on human skin found by examination to have no abrasions or may be used as a
clothing impregnant.)

CATEGORY III - Compounds producing moderate primary irritation of the intact
skin and the skin surrounding an abrasion. (INTERPRETATION: Should not be
used directly on the skin without a prophetic patch test having been
conducted on humans to determine irritation potential to human skin. May be
used without patch testing, with extreme caution, as clothing impregnants.
Compound should be resubmitted in the form and at the intended use
concentration so that its irritation potential can be reexamined using other
test techniques on animals.)

CATEGORY IV - Compounds producing moderate to severe primary irritation of
the intact skin and of the skin surrounding an abrasion and, in addition,
producing necrosis, vesiculation, and/or eschars. (INTERPRETATION: Should
be resubmitted for testing in the form and at the intended use concentration.
Upon resubmission, its irritation potential will be reexamined using other
test techniques on animals, prior to possible prophetic patch testing in
humans, at concentrations which have been shown not to produce primary
irritation in animals.)

CATEGORY V - Compounds impossible to classify because of staining of the skin
or other masking effects owing to physical properties of the compound.
(INTERPRETATION: Not suitable for use on humans.)

EYE CATEGORIES:

A. Compounds noninjurious to the eye. INTERPRETATION: Irritation of
human eyes is not expected if the compound should accidentally get into the
eyes, provided it is washed out as soon as possible.

B. Compounds producing mild injury to the cornea. INTERPRETATION:
Should be used with caution around the eyes.

C. Compounds producing mild injury to the cornea, and in addition some
injury to the conjunctiva. INTERPRETATION: Should be used with caution
around the eyes and mucosa.

D. Compounds producing moderate injury to the cornea. INTERPRETATION:
Should be used with extreme caution around the eyes.

E. Compounds producing moderate injury to the cornea, and in addition
producing some injury to the conjunctiva. INTERPRETATION: Should be used
with extreme caution around the eyes and mucosa.

F. Compounds producing severe injury to the cornea and to the
conjunctiva. INTERPRETATION: Should be used with extreme caution. It is
recommended that use be restricted to areas other than the face.
APPENDIX B

ANALYTICAL QUALITY ASSURANCE

The Analytical Quality Assurance Office certifies the following with regard to this study:

a. This study was conducted in accordance with:

(1) Standing Operating Procedures developed by the Toxicology Division, USAEHA.


b. Facilities were inspected during its operational phase to insure compliance with paragraph a above.

c. The information presented in this report accurately reflects the raw data generated during the course of conducting the study.

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