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## Exemplification of the integration of tools within REACH: the CADASTER project

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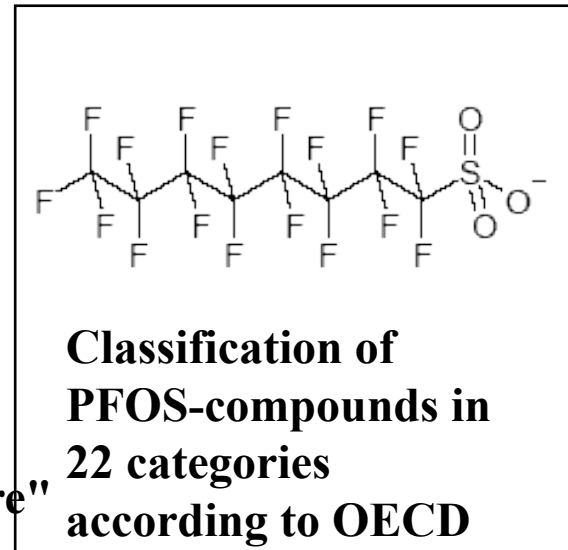
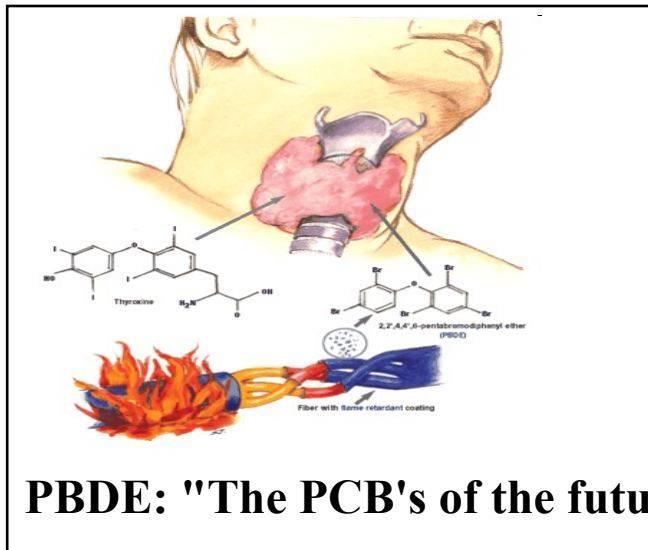
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# CADASTER: Exemplification of tools within REACH

## CADASTER: Case studies on the Development and Application of *in-Silico* Techniques for Environmental hazard and Risk assessment





## REACH

### **Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals**

REACH requires demonstration of safe manufacture and use of chemicals

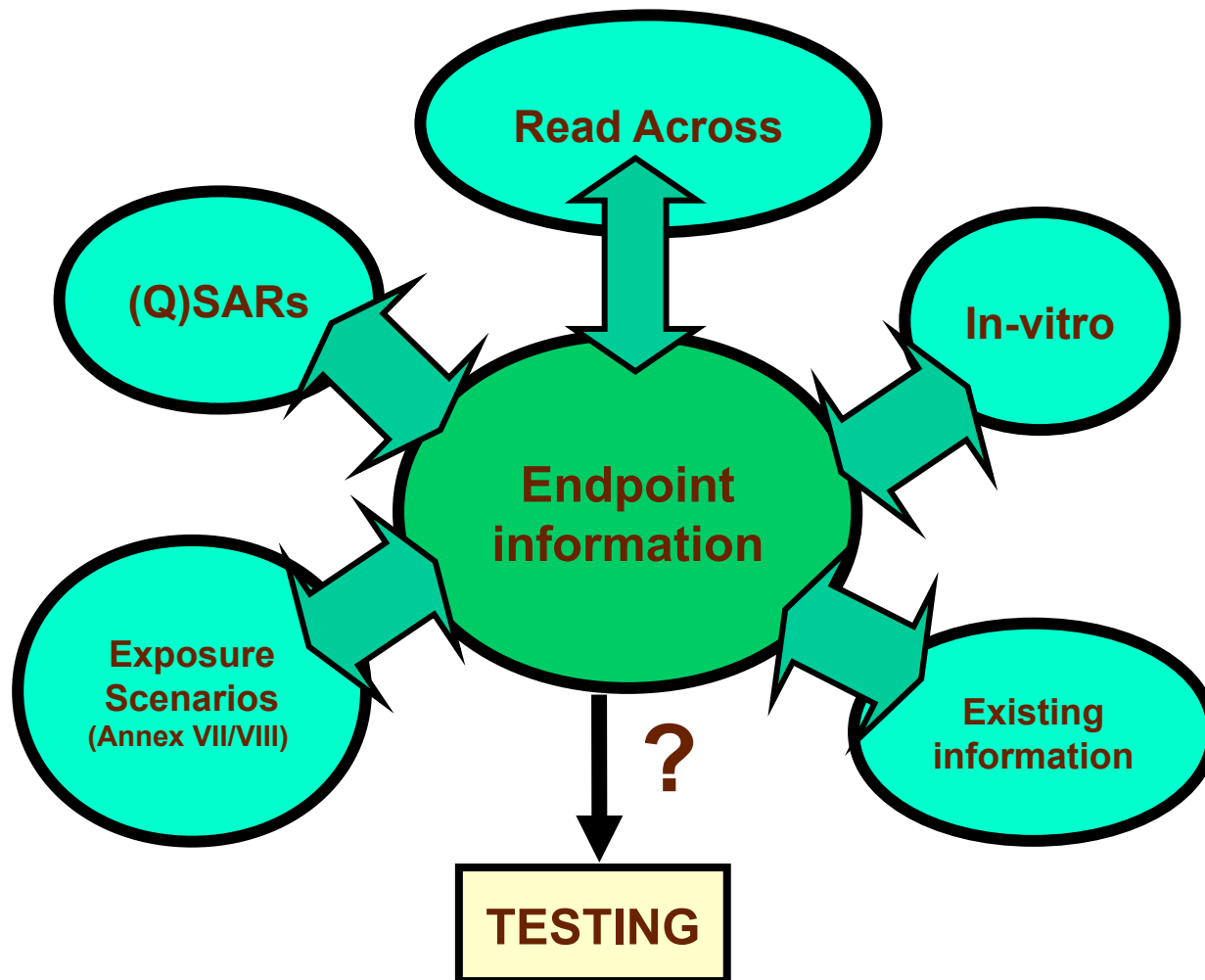
REACH based on precautionary principle, aims at achieving proper balance between social, economic and environmental objectives

REACH aims to optimise the use of scarce and scattered info on substances

REACH aims to minimise animal testing by optimal use of info on “related” compounds



## Intelligent Testing Strategies (ITS)





## Goals:

- Exemplify the integration of information, models, strategies for safety-, hazard-, risk assessment for large numbers of substances
- Carry out “real” risk assessment for large numbers of substances according to the basic philosophy of REACH: < costs, animal testing, time
- Exemplify how to increase non-testing information whilst quantifying and reducing uncertainty



## Aim:

Provide full environmental hazard and risk assessment according to the REACH philosophy for chemicals belonging to 4 classes of emerging chemicals:

- 1 – Polybrominated diphenylethers (PBDE), hydrophobic chemicals that pose a threat to man and the environment.
- 2 - Perfluoroalkylated substances and their transformation products, like perfluoroalkylated sulfonamides, alkanolic acids, sulfonates. Persistent hydrophilic compounds that may be toxic for man and environment.
- 3 – Substituted musks/fragrances; a heterogenic group of chemicals of varying composition like substituted benzophenones, polycyclic musks, terpene derivatives. Common emission pattern in the environment.
- 4 - Triazoles/benzotriazoles: increasingly used as pesticides and anti-corrosives.



## Outcome:

DSS – regularly updated for new compound classes:

- New testing strategies
- New testing data
- New models
- Actual integrated evaluations, including uncertainty and variability
- On-line and stand-alone tool



## Activities

### 1: **Collection of data and models**

- Experimental data intrinsic hazards – Screening Initial Data Set Dossier (SIDS)
- Models – Screening Initial Data Set Dossier (SIDS)
- Generation new data essential for validation and proper hazard/risk assessment
- Database data/models: dissemination purposes





## Activities

### 2: **Development/validation QSAR models**

- Evaluate performance
- Similarity analysis and multivariate ranking methods for identification of priority chemicals to orient the experimental testing
- Develop new QSARs where gaps are identified due to lack of existing models or due to models of insufficient quality.
- Documentation of the performance of the (final) models selected and developed.



## Activities

### 3: Integration of QSARs within hazard and risk assessment

- Integration in probabilistic risk assessment framework: characterize variability/ uncertainty, sensitivity analyses, modeling of variability with regard to application in SSDs
- Evaluate ECETOC TRA screening RA tool
- Evaluate methods and decision points for establishing scientific validity and applicability domains for QSAR models
- Explore possibilities for economic valuation of substitution of chemicals from within chemical classes



## Activities

- 4: **Outreach:** website, newsletters/ workshops, stand-alone tools for dissemination of project results
- Development of on-line, stand-alone DSS: develop, publish, use QSAR/QSPR models for REACH
  - Integration of the developed models with the QSAR Application Toolbox developed by OECD: establish the compatibility of the models with the (Q)SAR Model Reporting Format (QMRF) format
  - Provision of a sustainable dissemination of project results by the WWW and as stand-alone tools
  - Communication including newsletters and workshop(s).



## Some findings

- Lack of sufficient data for relevant endpoints
- Lack of models for relevant endpoints and relevant chemical classes
- Difficult to obtain data from industry
  
- > 7500 data entries relevant for RA – 4 classes
- Overview of suited (Q)SAR models available
- Identified: need for new/improved models



## Toxicity testing of PerFluorinated Compounds

### Strategy:

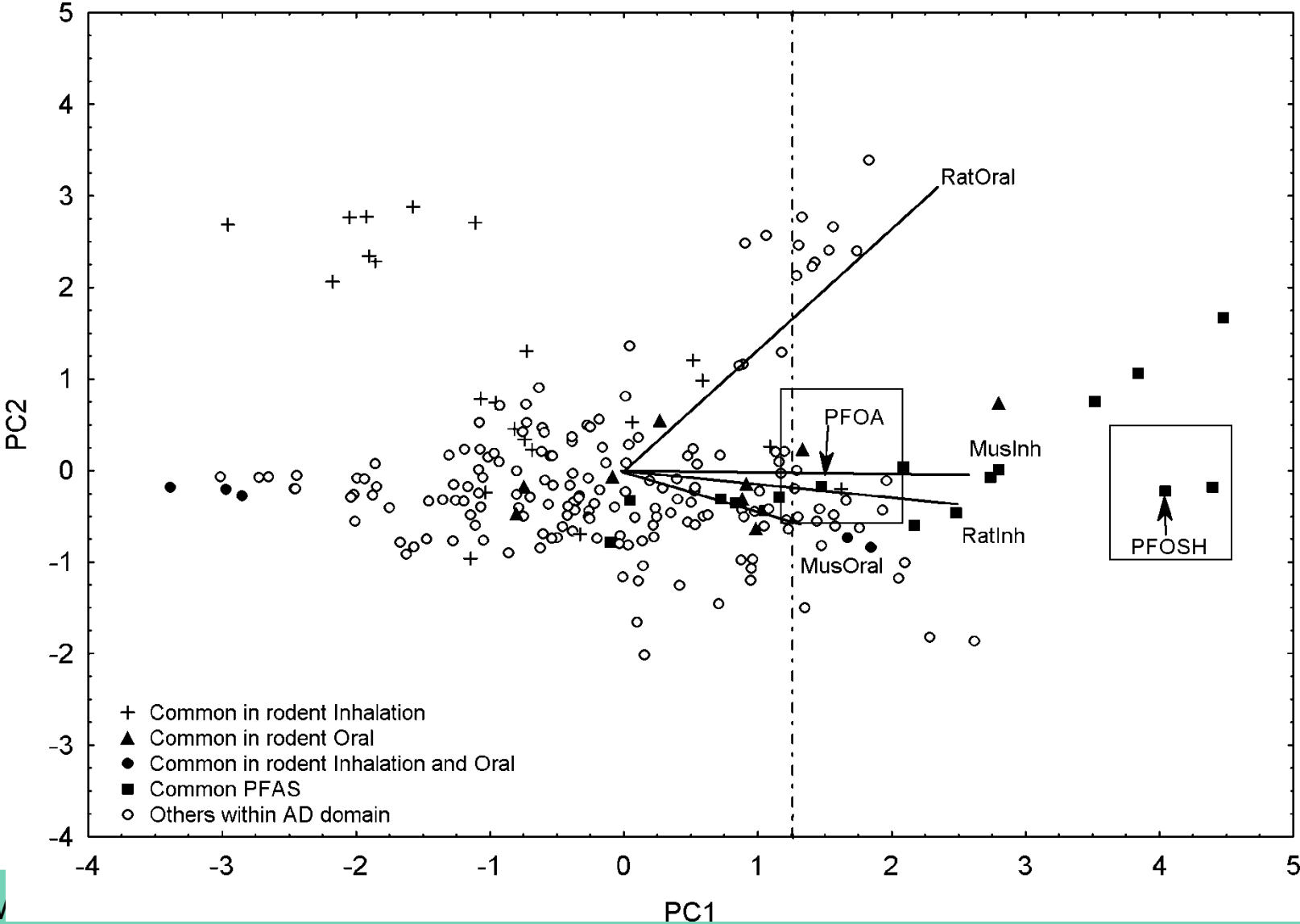
- 1 – Experimental design: PCA + read across toxicity data other (rodent) species
- 2 – Selection of ideal set of test compounds
- 3 – Acquiring test compounds
- 4 – Design non-ideal set of test compounds
- 5 – Toxicity assessment
- 6 - Modelling



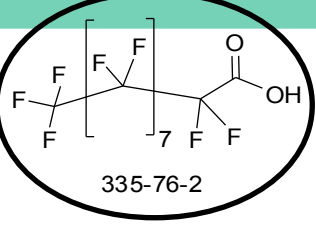
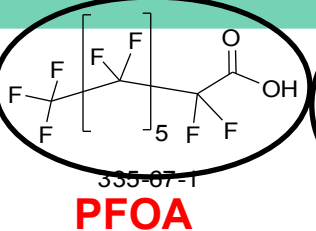
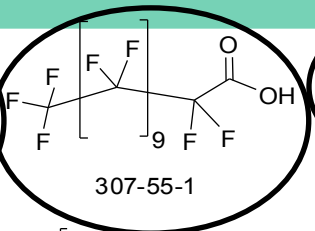
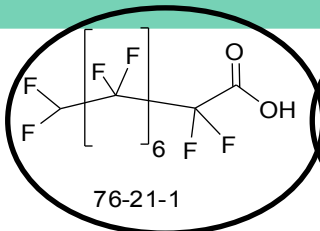
### Work of University of Insubria

- Inhalation study: 4 descriptors based MLR model
  - Hydrophobicity ( $M/\log P$ )  $\rightarrow$  negative
  - Electronegativity (Jhetv, X3v and MATS1e)  $\rightarrow$  positive
- Oral study: 4 descriptors based MLR model
  - Fingerprint descriptors representing frequency of atom pairs like C-C, C-F and C-O are prominent
- 376 extra PFCs predicted including PFCs listed in ECHA
- Prediction and prioritization of toxic PFCs based on rodents toxicity

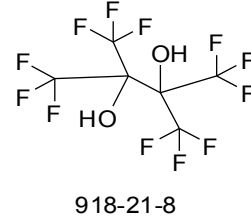
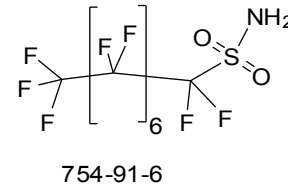
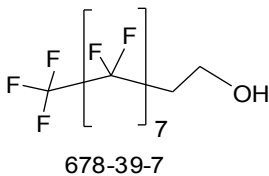
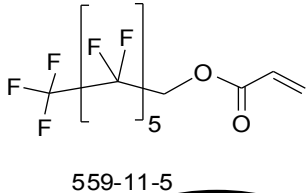
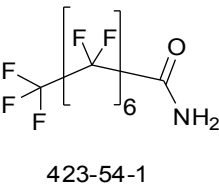
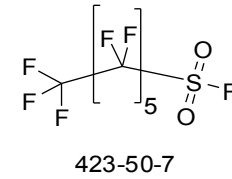
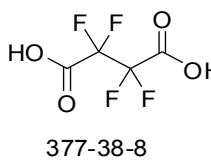
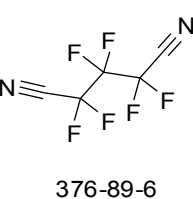
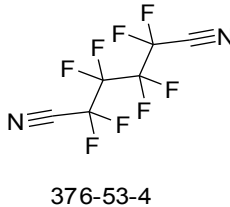
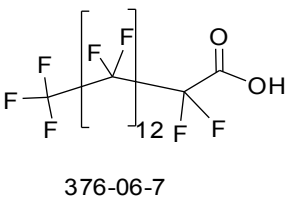
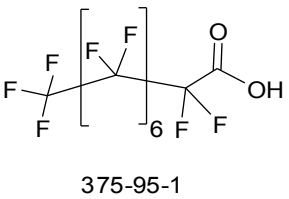
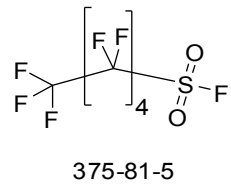
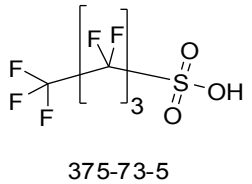
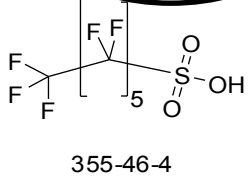
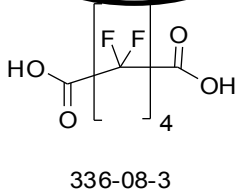
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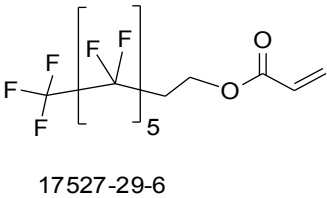
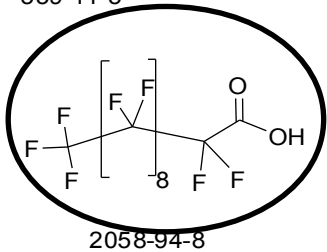
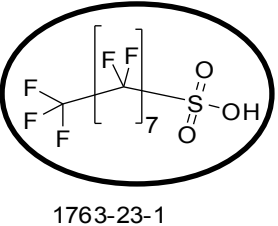
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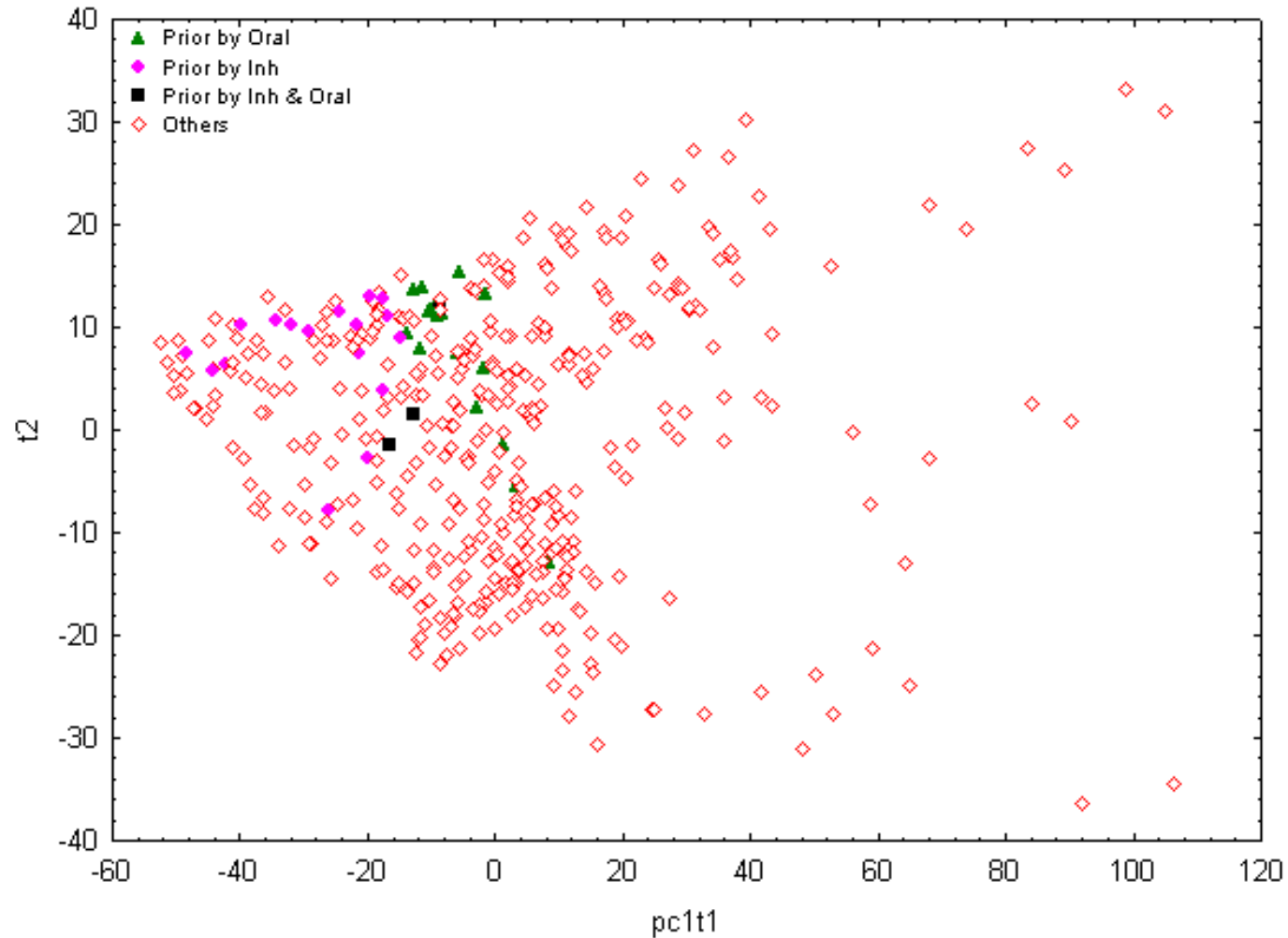
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**PFOSH**

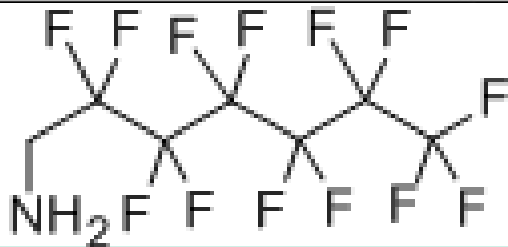
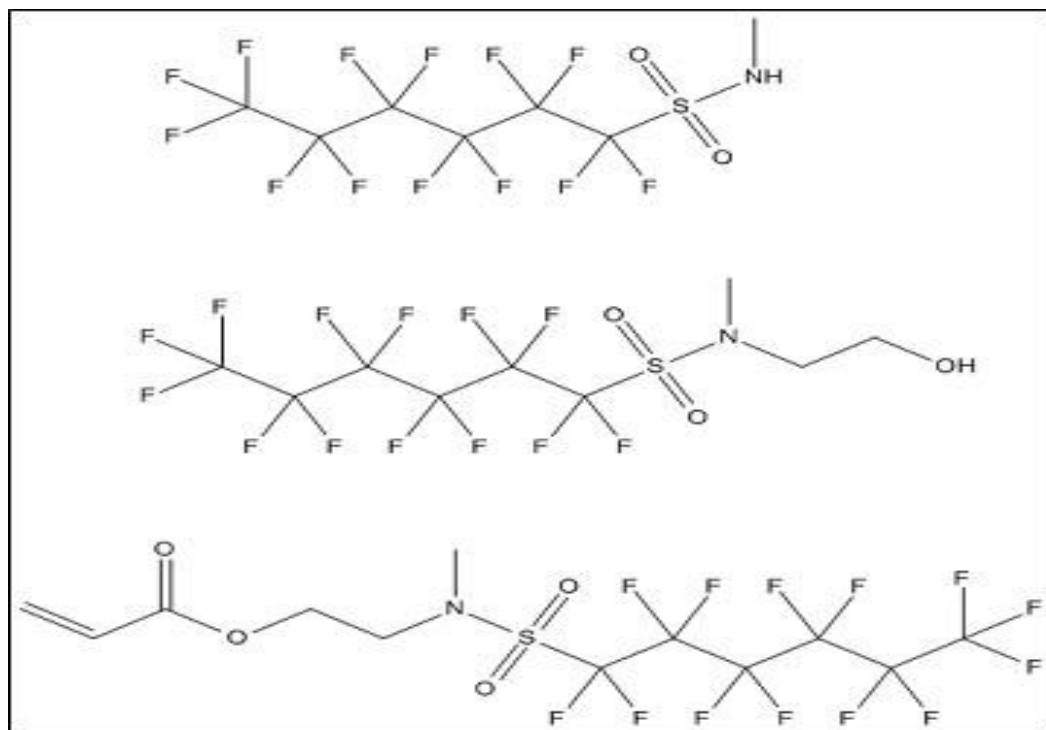








## Extended set of compounds



Butanoic acid, heptafluoro-ethyl ester

Methacrylic acid, 2,2,3,3,4,4,4-heptafluorobutyl ester

3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,8-Tridecafluoro-1-octanethiol

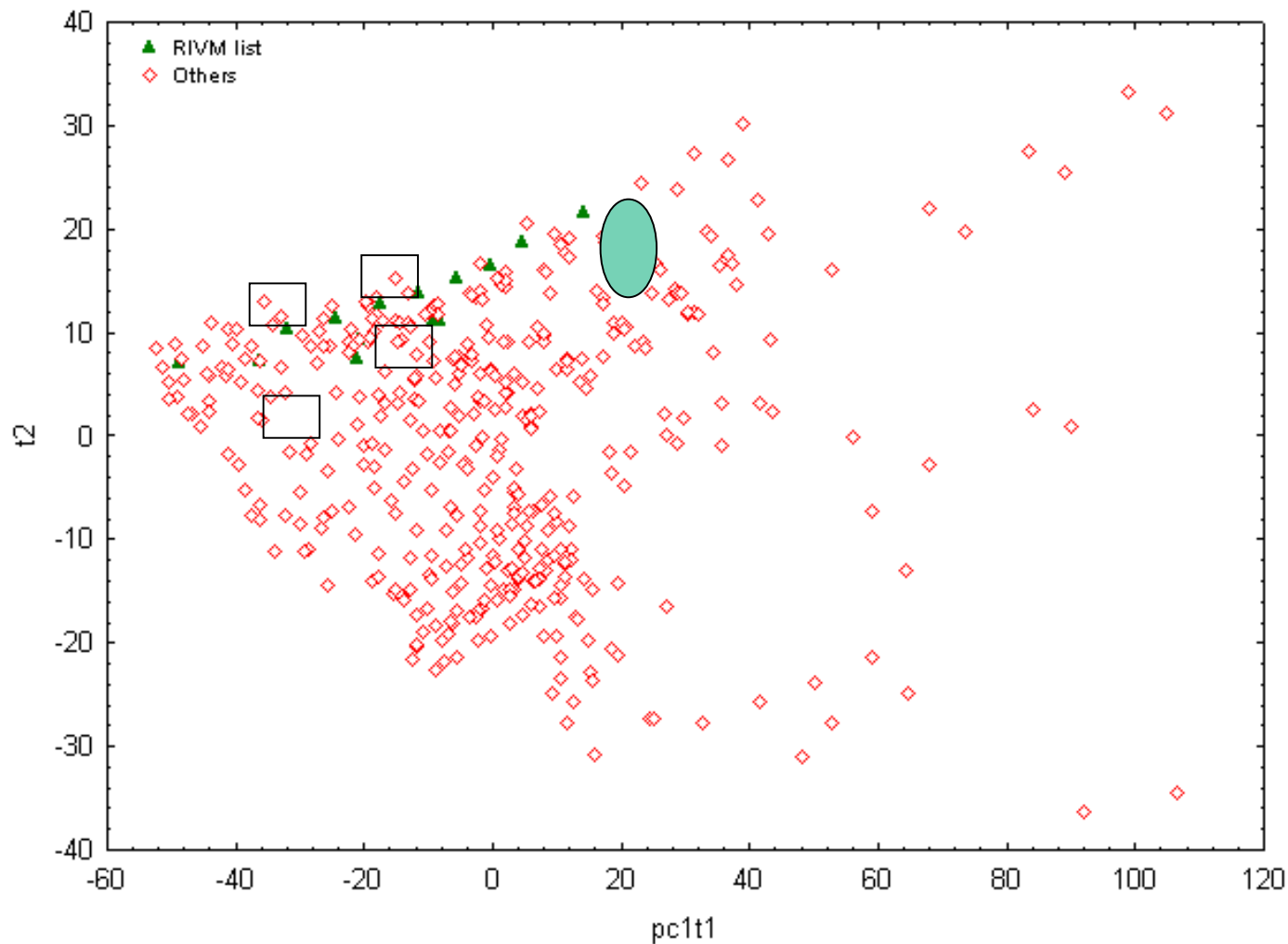
1H,1H,2H,3H,3H-Perfluorononane-1,2-diol; 97%

1H,1H,2H,2H-Perfluorooctyl isobutyrate

2,2,3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7-Dodecafluoro-1,8-octanediol



## Extended set of compounds



  
Amine



## Aquatic Testing

### Organism

- Lettuce
- Algae
- Daphnids
- Zebra fish

### End point

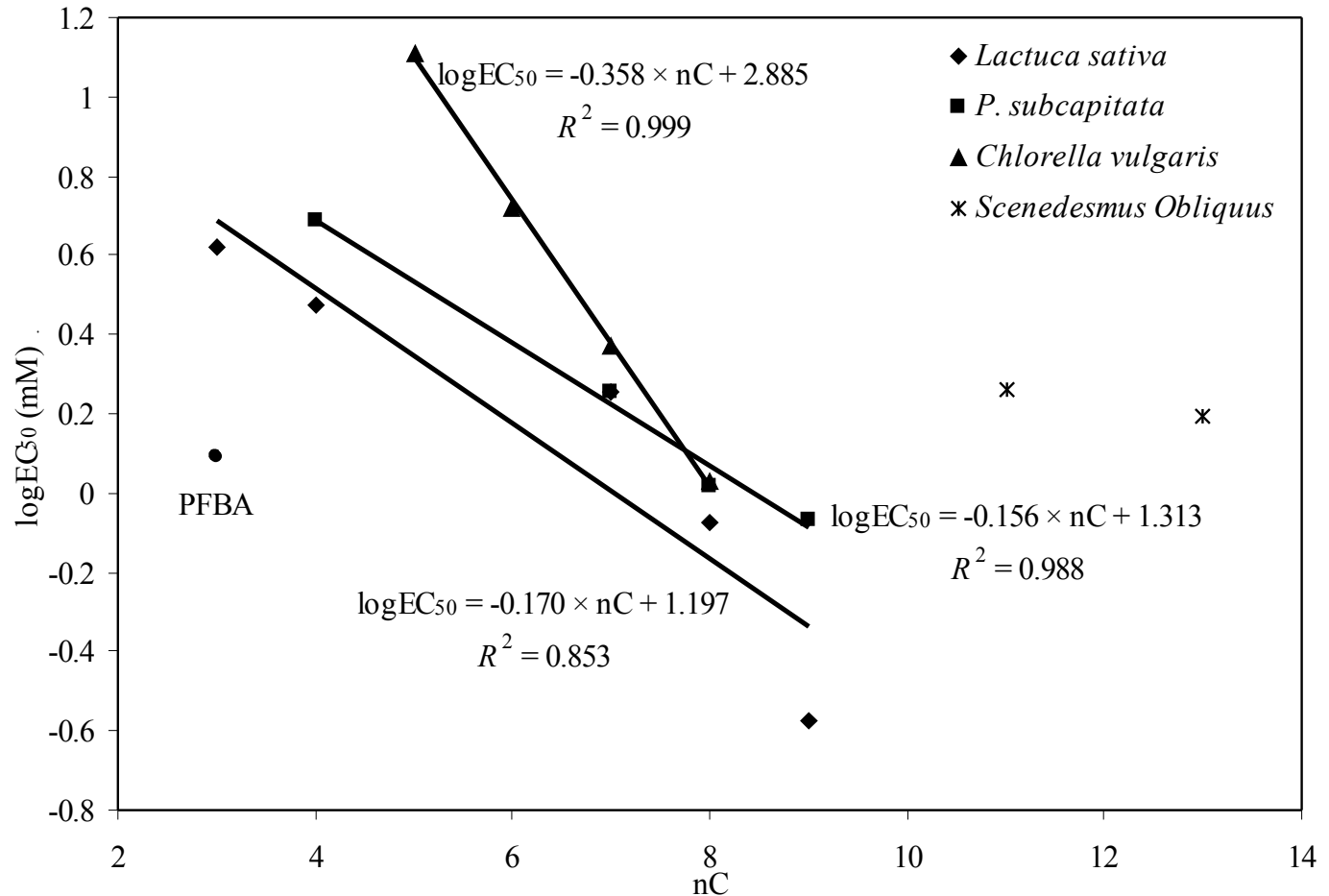
- root length elongation
- Photosynthesis inhibition
- Survival
- Early life stage testing  
(embryo)



## Results - acids

Log EC50, lettuce =  
 $-0.170 \times nC + 1.197$   
 $n = 5, R^2 = 0.853, p = 0.0252$

Log EC50, algae =  
 $-0.156 \times nC + 1.313$   
 $n = 4, R^2 = 0.988, p = 0.006$





## Interspecies extrapolation read across daphnids

### Daphnia magna

$$\text{Log EC50, 24h} = -0.127 \times \text{nC} + 0.646$$

$n = 5, R^2 = 0.986, p = 7.090 \times 10^{-4}$

$$\text{Log EC50, 48h} = -0.131 \times \text{nC} + 0.615$$

$n = 6, R^2 = 0.971, p = 3.265 \times 10^{-4}$

### Chydorus sphaericus

$$\text{Log EC50, 24h} = -0.214 \times \text{nC} + 1.013$$

$n = 7, R^2 = 0.972, p < 0.0001$

$$\text{Log EC50, 48h} = -0.221 \times \text{nC} + 0.876$$

$n = 7, R^2 = 0.925, p = 5.394 \times 10^{-4}$

### 24h toxicity:

$$\text{Log EC50, C. sphaericus} = 1.560 \times \text{log EC50, D. magna} - 0.113$$

$n = 5, R^2 = 0.888, p = 0.016$

### For 48-h toxicity:

$$\text{Log EC50, C. sphaericus} = 1.494 \times \text{log EC50, D. magna} - 0.277$$

$n = 6, R^2 = 0.846, p = 0.009$



## CADASTER posters at SETAC 2011

### **MO-305 (PE01)**

Exploring the QSARs for OH Tropospheric Degradation of VOCs using freely available online descriptors.

### **MO-306 (PE01)**

On the agreement of external validation parameters for linear regression QSAR models

### **TU-112 (ET01)**

Stepwise D-Optimal design based on latent variables

### **TU-337 (RA11)**

Study on the toxicity of perfluorinated compounds to aquatic organisms

### **TU-335 (RA11)**

A QSAR-based compound prioritization for lab-testing for chemical safety assessment

### **TU-342 (RA11)**

MOPAC@home – an online database for small organic compounds

### **TU-346 (RA11)**

QSAR and QSPR models for emerging pollutants: WP3 activities within the FP7 European Project  
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### **TU-347 (RA11)**

Physico-chemical property prediction of emerging pollutants: PFC and (B)TAZ for environmental distribution.

### **TU-348 (RA11)**

QSAR prediction of aquatic and mammalian toxicity of triazoles and benzo-triazoles