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PPDC 21st Century Toxicology/New Integrated Testing Strategies Workgroup Meeting Minutes

Time: 1:00 - 3:00 PM (EST)

Summary

On May 15, 2013, the PPDC 21st Century Toxicology / New Integrated Testing Strategies Workgroup met for the group's bi-monthly meeting. The metrics subgroup gave an update on their proposal to revisit, augment and implement metrics for progress on in vitro testing by setting specific goals and measuring progress to achieve these goals in the context of acute hazard labeling studies. The biomonitoring subgroup gave an update on the second meeting of the subject matter expert group for the development of a priority pesticide list, held in May; the purpose of this meeting was to bring together experts in medical toxicology, environmental medicine, and public health to establish prioritization criteria and make recommendations on which pesticides should be the focus of further biomarker research and development. Refinement of the criteria for selecting pesticides was the focus of this meeting, and future meetings of this expert workgroup will focus on developing a list of priority pesticides for biomarker research based on the criteria. The next subject matter expert meeting will be held in mid-September.

The FACA workshop subgroup then presented the most recent draft agenda for a 21st Century non-technical FACA workshop, intended to present case studies of Tox21 AOP tools currently being utilized and/or considered by EPA. The workshop is scheduled for July 9, 2013. This was the last bimonthly meeting before the workshop. Following the workshop, the workgroup will meet during the PPDC meeting on July 10th, 2013 and will present to the PPDC on July 11th, 2013

EPA also provided an update on the compilation of projects under the IATA strategic project, including new guidance and policies, and sought feedback from the workgroup on the public announcement of these and future OPP updates related to IATA.

Attendees

Non-EPA: Patricia Bishop, Joel Patterson substituting for Peter Chan, Caroline Cox, Erik Janus, Thomas Kellner, Cynthia Palmer, Tim Pastoor, Gary Patterson, Pat Quinn, Kristie Sullivan

EPA: Jennifer McLain, Tina Bahadori, Doug Wolf, Garland Waleko

Notable Issues/Actions/Commitments

- A presentation for the workgroup will be coordinated for the September bimonthly meeting

Next Meeting

The regular, bi-monthly meeting will be on Wednesday September 18, 2013. A call-in number will be provided for those who are unable to attend in person.