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## **Risk Assessment Report**

### **Triazole Metabolites**

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(Pesticides)

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This document is a summary of the currently available data on triazole analogs and related information to be referred for the toxicological evaluation of triazole pesticides.

### **ABSTRACT**

For the purpose of using as the reference documents for the toxicological evaluation of triazole pesticides, FSCJ reviewed the reports on toxicological evaluation of the common metabolite of Triazole pesticides, such as 1,2,4-triazole (CAS No. 288-88-01), triazole acetic acid (CAS No. 28711-29-7) and triazole alanine (CAS No. 10109-05-4), conducted by JMPR and the USA. FSCJ recognized that both reports summarized up-to-date scientific findings of the metabolites, and judged the informations were useful as the reference for the evaluation of triazole pesticides by FSCJ if not available some of detailed information.

The data used in the assessment include fate in animals (rats), acute toxicity (rats, mice and rabbits), subacute toxicity (rats, mice and dogs), combined subacute toxicity/neurotoxicity (rats), combined chronic toxicity/neurotoxicity (rats), one- and two-generation reproductive toxicity (rats), developmental toxicity (rats and rabbits), and genotoxicity.

Major adverse effects of 1,2,4-triazole observed are apoptic bodies of the seminiferous tubular epithelium and decrease in the absolute weight in the testes and suppressed body weight. Treatment related neurotoxicity including tremor, decrease in the absolute weight of the brain, neural tissue degeneration/necrosis of the cerebellum, and degeneration of the peripheral nerve fibers were observed in a 90-day combined subacute toxicity/neurotoxicity study in rats. Decrease in conception rate and increased number of abnormal spermatozoa were observed in reproductive toxicity study in rats. In a developmental toxicity study in rats, incidences in cleft palate and skeletal variation were increased in fetuses at the doses where the suppressed body weight was observed in dams. Genotoxicity was not observed.

Major adverse effect of triazole acetic acid and triazole alanine was suppressed body weight. Neurotoxicity, reproductive toxicity, teratogenicity and genotoxicity were not observed.

**Table 1. Levels relevant to toxicological evaluation of 1,2,4-Triazole**

| Species | Study                                                      | Dose<br>(mg/kg bw/day)                                                                                                                                                                                                | NOAEL (mg/kg bw/day) <sup>1)</sup><br>and<br>Critical Endpoint                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Rat     | 90-day subacute toxicity study                             | 0, 100, 500, 2 500 ppm                                                                                                                                                                                                | M: 37.9                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|         |                                                            | M: 0, 7.8, 37.9, 212<br>F: 0, 10.2, 54.2, 267                                                                                                                                                                         | F: 54.2<br>F/M: Suppressed body weight                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|         | 90-day combined subacute toxicity/<br>neurotoxicity study  | 0, 250, 500, 3 000, 1 000/4 000 ppm                                                                                                                                                                                   | M: 33<br>F: 41                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|         |                                                            | M: 0, 16, 33, 183, 210<br>F: 0, 19, 41, 234, 276                                                                                                                                                                      | M/F: Suppressed body weight, tremor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|         | 12-month combined chronic toxicity/<br>neurotoxicity study | 0, 125, 375, 1 000, 2 000 ppm                                                                                                                                                                                         | M: 21<br>F: 26                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|         |                                                            | M: 0, 6.9, 21, 58, 113<br>F: 0, 8.3, 26, 71, 136                                                                                                                                                                      | M/F: Suppressed bodyweight                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|         | Two-generation reproduction study                          | 0, 250, 500, 3 000 ppm <sup>2)</sup><br><br>PM: 0, 15.4, 30.9, 189<br>PF: 0, 17.5, 36.2, 218<br>F <sub>1</sub> M: 0, 16.0, 32.0<br>F <sub>1</sub> F: 0, 18.9, 37.5<br><br>[M:0,15,31,189 F:0,18,36,218] <sup>3)</sup> | Parent<br>PM: -<br>PF: 36.2<br>F <sub>1</sub> M: —<br>F <sub>1</sub> F: 37.5<br>Offspring<br>PM: 30.9<br>PF: 36.2<br>F <sub>1</sub> M: 32.0<br>F <sub>1</sub> F: 37.5<br>Reproductive ability<br>PM: 15.4<br>PF: 17.5<br>F <sub>1</sub> M: 16.0<br>F <sub>1</sub> F: 18.9 |

| Species | Study                                                          | Dose<br>(mg/kg bw/day)                                                           | NOAEL (mg/kg bw/day) <sup>1)</sup><br>and<br>Critical Endpoint                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|         |                                                                |                                                                                  | Parent<br>M: Suppressed body weight<br>F: Suppressed body weight,<br>degeneration/necrosis of the cerebellum,<br>Offspring:<br>No toxic effect was observed.<br><br>Reproductive ability:<br>Increased number of abnormal<br>spermatozoa, decreases in number of<br>corpora lutea, and delayed vaginal<br>opening |
|         | Developmental<br>Toxicity study<br>(the 1 <sup>st</sup> study) | 0, 25, 100                                                                       | Dams: 100<br>Fetuses: 100<br><br>Dams and Fetuses: No toxic effect<br><br>(No teratogenicity)                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|         | Developmental<br>Toxicity study<br>(the 2 <sup>nd</sup> study) | 0, 10, 30, 100                                                                   | Dams: 30<br>Fetuses: 30<br><br>Dams: Suppressed body weight<br>Fetuses: Low body weight                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|         | Developmental<br>Toxicity study<br>(the 3 <sup>rd</sup> study) | 0, 100, 200                                                                      | Dams: -<br>Fetuses: -<br><br>Dams: Suppressed body weight<br>Fetuses: Low body weight<br><br>(Cleft palate, Hind limb malformations)                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Mouse   | 28-day subacute toxicity<br>study                              | 0, 50, 250, 500, 2 000 ppm<br><br>M: 0, 9, 47, 90, 356<br>F: 0, 12, 60, 120, 479 | M: 90<br>F: 479<br><br>M: Degeneration in the testis,<br>seminiferous tubular atrophy<br>F: No toxic effects                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

| Species | Study                          | Dose<br>(mg/kg bw/day)                                                                          | NOAEL (mg/kg bw/day) <sup>1)</sup><br>and<br>Critical Endpoint                                                                                                                                                                     |
|---------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|         | 90-day subacute toxicity study | 0, 500, 1 000、<br>3 000, 6 000 ppm<br><br>M: 0, 80, 161, 487, 988<br>F: 0, 105, 215, 663, 1 350 | M: 161<br>F: 663<br><br>M/F: Tremor, decrease in the brain absolute weight                                                                                                                                                         |
| Rabbit  | Developmental toxicity study   | 0, 5, 15, 30, 45                                                                                | Dams: 30<br>Fetuses: 30<br><br>Dams: Dying, suppressed body weight, decreased feed consumption, clinical symptoms, decreased weight of the uterus during pregnancy<br>Fetuses: Low body weight<br><br>(Urinary tract malformation) |

-, NOAEL was not derived

<sup>1)</sup>, The adverse effect observed at LOAEL;

<sup>2)</sup>, Studies on F<sub>1</sub> generation were conducted only with animals exposed to 250 and 500 ppm, since number of F<sub>1</sub> offspring was insufficient in the group exposed to 3,000 ppm;

<sup>3)</sup>, The value reported in the document from the U.S.A.



**Table 2.** Levels relevant to toxicological evaluation of Triazole acetic acid

| Species | Study                                                           | Dose<br>(mg/kg bw/day)                                                                                                                              | NOAEL (mg/kg bw/day)<br>and<br>Critical Endpoint <sup>1)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Rat     | 14-day<br>subacute toxicity study                               | 0, 100, 1 000, 8 000 ppm<br>-----<br>M: 10.6, 103, 788<br>F: 10.1, 97.2, 704                                                                        | M: 788<br>F: 704<br><br>M/F: No toxic effect                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|         | 29-day<br>subacute toxicity study                               | 0, 3 250, 6 500, 13 000 ppm<br>-----<br>M: 0, 243, 483, 993<br>F: 0, 260, 519, 940                                                                  | M: 993<br>F: 940<br><br>M/F: No toxic effect                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|         | 13-week<br>combined subacute<br>toxicity/neurotoxicity<br>study | 0, 100, 300, 1 000<br>-----<br>M: 0, 94, 495, 1 000<br>F: 0, 119, 627, 1 180                                                                        | M: 1 000<br>F: 1 180<br><br>M/F: No toxic effect<br>(No subacute neurotoxicity)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|         | One-generation<br>reproduction study                            | 0, 100, 300, 1 000<br>-----<br>PM: 0, 96, 287, 959<br>PF: 0, 98, 293, 976<br>F <sub>1</sub> M: 0, 93, 280, 926<br>F <sub>1</sub> F: 0, 78, 246, 770 | Parent<br>PM: 287<br>PF: 976<br>F <sub>1</sub> M: 280<br>F <sub>1</sub> F: 770<br>Offspring<br>PM: 959<br>PF: 976<br>F <sub>1</sub> M: 926<br>F <sub>1</sub> F: 770<br><br>Parent<br>M: Suppressed body weight<br>and decreased feed<br>consumption<br>F: No toxic effect<br>Offspring : No toxic effect<br><br>(No effect on reproduction<br>ability) |
|         | Developmental toxicity<br>study                                 | 0, 100, 300, 1 000                                                                                                                                  | Dams: 300<br>Fetuses: 300<br><br>Dams: Clinical symptoms,<br>suppressed body weight and<br>decreased feed consumption<br>Fetuses: No toxic effect at<br>and below 300 mg/kg<br>bw/day                                                                                                                                                                  |



| Species | Study                             | Dose<br>(mg/kg bw/day)                                                                | NOAEL (mg/kg bw/day)<br>and<br>Critical Endpoint <sup>1)</sup>                                                                                       |
|---------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|         |                                   |                                                                                       | (No teratogenicity at and below 300 mg/kg bw/day)                                                                                                    |
| Mouse   | 28-day<br>subacute toxicity study | 0, 1 000, 3 000, 7 000 ppm<br>-----<br>M: 0, 159, 483, 1 070<br>F: 0, 183, 542, 1 360 | M: 1 070<br>F: 1 360<br><br>M/F: No toxic effect                                                                                                     |
| Rabbit  | Developmental toxicity<br>study   | 0, 100, 750, 1 000                                                                    | Dams: 100<br>Fetuses: 100<br><br>Dams: Death, clinical<br>symptoms, suppressed body<br>weight<br>Fetuses: Low body weight<br><br>(No teratogenicity) |

<sup>1)</sup>, The adverse effect observed at LOAEL



**Table 3.** Levels relevant to toxicological evaluation of Triazole alanine

| Species | Study                                                           | Dose<br>(mg/kg bw/day)                                                                                                   | NOAEL (mg/kg bw/day)<br>and<br>Critical Endpoint <sup>1</sup>                                                                                                           |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Rat     | 28-day<br>subacute toxicity study                               | 0, 25, 100, 400                                                                                                          | M/F: 400<br><br>M/F: No toxic effect                                                                                                                                    |
|         | 90-day<br>subacute toxicity study                               | 0, 1 250, 5 000, 20 000 ppm                                                                                              | M: 370<br>F: 1 680                                                                                                                                                      |
|         |                                                                 | M: 0, 90, 370, 1 510<br>F: 0, 160, 400, 1 680                                                                            | M: Suppressed body weight<br>F: No toxic effect                                                                                                                         |
|         | 12-month<br>combined chronic<br>toxicity/neurotoxicity<br>study | 0, 600, 2 000, 6,000, 20 000 ppm                                                                                         | M: 916<br>F: 1 270                                                                                                                                                      |
|         |                                                                 | M: 0, 28, 93, 278, 916<br>F: 0, 36, 120, 375, 1 270                                                                      | M/F: No toxic effect<br><br>(No chronic neurotoxicity)                                                                                                                  |
| Rat     | Two-generation<br>reproduction study                            | 0, 500, 2 000, 10 000 ppm                                                                                                | Parent<br>PM: 1 100<br>PF: 1 110<br>F <sub>1</sub> M: 929<br>F <sub>1</sub> F: 988<br>Offspring<br>PM: 213<br>PF: 223<br>F <sub>1</sub> M: 192<br>F <sub>1</sub> F: 199 |
|         |                                                                 | PM: 0, 50, 213, 1 100<br>PF: 0, 51, 223, 1 110<br>F <sub>1</sub> M: 0, 47, 192, 929<br>F <sub>1</sub> F: 0, 49, 199, 988 | Parent: No toxic effect<br>Offspring: Reduced weight of litters<br><br>(No effect on reproduction ability)                                                              |
| Rat     | Developmental toxicity<br>study                                 | 0, 100, 300, 1 000                                                                                                       | Dams: 1 000<br>Fetuses: 100                                                                                                                                             |
|         |                                                                 |                                                                                                                          | Dams: No toxic effect<br>Fetuses: Retarded ossification<br><br>(No teratogenicity)                                                                                      |
| Rabbit  | Developmental toxicity                                          | 0, 30, 100, 250                                                                                                          | Dams: 100                                                                                                                                                               |

<sup>1</sup> The adverse effect observed at LOAEL.



| Species | Study                             | Dose<br>(mg/kg bw/day)                                                             | NOAEL (mg/kg bw/day)<br>and<br>Critical Endpoint <sup>1</sup>                                                                             |
|---------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|         | study                             |                                                                                    | Fetuses: 100<br><br>Dams: Suppressed body weight<br>Fetuses: Low body weight,<br>increased skeletal variations<br><br>(No teratogenicity) |
| Dog     | 90-day<br>subacute toxicity study | 0, 3 200, 8 000, 20 000 ppm<br>-----<br>M: 0, 144, 322, 850<br>F: 0, 150, 345, 902 | M: 850<br>F: 345<br><br>M: No toxic effect<br>F: Suppressed body weight and<br>decreased feed consumption                                 |

<sup>1)</sup>, The adverse effect observed at LOAEL