

COSMETICS

Skin Irritation according to OECD TG439

The SkinEthicTM reconstructed human tissue models RHE is a tissue construct featuring normal ultrastructure and functionality similar to human tissue *in vivo*. These models with a appropriate protocol are designed for regulatory purposes to classify and label chemicals regarding *in vitro* skin irritation assessment^{1,2}.

Test system: Reconstructed Human Epidermis (SkinEthic[™]). **Experimental number:** Three tissues per group in duplicate. **Reference Item:** Sodium lauryl sulfate (SDS).

Main Read-outs: Absorbance of MTT (570 nm)³.

Validation Data



Figure: Skin irritation evaluation according to OECD TG439. The figure represents cell viability after SDS (5 %) incubation or Test item (10 μ g/mL) incubation. Each column represents the mean ± SD of 3 tissues per group in duplicate. Statistical analyses used was one-way ANOVA with a post-hoc Newman-Keuls. *P < 0.05 versus negative control group (PBS).

To avoid bias and to allow reproducibility and reliability of all in vitro experiments we follow the "Guidance on Good Cell Culture Practice"⁴.

References:

¹A catch-up validation study on reconstructed human epidermis (SkinEthic[™] RHE) for full replacement of the Draize skin irritation test. N. Alépée, N *et al*. Toxicology In Vitro, 24: 257-266, 2010.

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