

# **Environmental Risk Assessment Summary Mosunetuzumab**

### Introduction

The publication of environmental risk assessment summaries is part of Roche's engagement on developing a better understanding of issues regarding pharmaceuticals in the environment (PiE).

New pharmaceutical substances are investigated for biodegradability and initial ecotoxicity during their development. For registration, a full state-of-the-art environmental risk assessment is developed based on chronic environmental effects and advanced environmental fate data, as required by the pertinent regulations. While not a regulatory requirement, Roche also investigates older pharmaceutical substances, normally at a simpler scale, in order to assess their environmental risks.

The EMA Guideline on Environmental Risk Assessment (ERA) for Non-GMO Human Medicinal Products [4] requires an ERA for the Marketing Authorisation Application (MAA) of all new medicinal products in the European Union. For proteins and peptides, however, the 'ERA may consist of a justification for not submitting ERA studies, e.g., due to their nature they are unlikely to result in a significant risk to the environment'.

## **Summary**

Mosunetuzumab is a recombinant bispecific antibody for the treatment of adult patients with relapsed or refractory (R/R) follicular lymphoma (FL). It is a first-in-class CD20xCD3 T-cell engaging bispecific antibody designed to target CD20 on the surface of B-cells and CD3 on the surface of T-cells. This dual targeting activates and redirects a patient's existing T-cells to engage and eliminate target B-cells by releasing cytotoxic proteins into the B-cells [5].

Mosunetuzumab is the active pharmaceutical ingredient used in the Roche product Lunsumio [5].

A Manometric Respirometry Test according to OECD guideline no. 301 F showed that formulated Mosunetuzumab (including excipients) is readily biodegradable [1]. Additionally, as supporting information, acute ecotoxicity limit tests with green algae [2] and daphnids [3] consistently showed no significant adverse effects at the only tested concentration of 100 mg/L nominal concentration relating to the active substance Mosunetuzumab.

Considering human metabolism, rapid biodegradability and acute ecotoxicological properties of Mosunetuzumab, no exposure levels of concern to the environment are to be expected. This confirms the general finding that monoclonal antibodies and other protein or peptide active pharmaceutical substances are not expected to pose any risk to the environment [6].



# **Aquatic Toxicity Data for Mosunetuzumab**

Study	Guideline	Results	Ref.
Algal growth inhibition test with	OECD 201	72 h EC50 (growth rate) >100 mg/L NC	[2]
Raphidocelis subcapitata		72 h EC50 (yield) <100 mg/L NC $^{\scriptscriptstyle 1)}$	
		72 h NOEC <100 mg/L 1)	
Acute immobilisation test with	OECD 202	48 h EC50 >100 mg/L NC	[3]
Daphnia magna		48 h NOEC 100 mg/L NC	

EC50 concentration of the test substance that results in 50% effect

NC Nominal concentration

NOEC No Observed Effect Concentration

## **Environmental Fate Data for Mosunetuzumab**

Study	Guideline	Results	Ref.
Ready biodegradability test	OECD 301 F	BOD/ThOD (mineralisation) 97% after 28 days 89% at the end of the 10-day window Readily biodegradable	[1]
		DOC elimination 96% after 28 days	

BOD Biochemical oxygen demand DOC Dissolved organic carbon ThOD Theoretical oxygen demand

<sup>1)</sup> Artefact due to precipitation of the protein in the solution



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