## 1,4-BIS(CHLOROMETHOXYMETHYL)BENZENE

Data were last reviewed in IARC (1977) and the compound was classified in *IARC Monographs* Supplement 7 (1987).

## 1. Exposure Data

### 1.1 Chemical and physical data

1.1.1 Nomenclature Chem. Abstr. Services Reg. No.: 56894-91-8 Systematic name: 1,4-Bis(chloromethoxymethyl)benzene

1.1.2 Structural and molecular formulae and relative molecular mass

 $C_{10}H_{12}Cl_2O_2$ 

Relative molecular mass: 235.1

### **1.2 Production and use**

1,4-Bis(chloromethoxymethyl)benzene was investigated in the United States for use in the production of ion-exchange resins (IARC, 1977).

## 2. Studies of Cancer in Humans

No data were available to the Working Group.

### **3.** Studies of Cancer in Experimental Animals

1,4-Bis(chloromethoxymethyl)benzene was tested for carcinogenicity in mice by application to the skin or subcutaneous injection; it produced malignant tumours at the sites of application (IARC, 1977).

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# 4. Other Data Relevant to an Evaluation of Carcinogenicity and its Mechanisms

No data were available to the Working Group.

# 5. Evaluation

No epidemiological data relevant to the carcinogenicity of 1,4-bis(chloromethoxymethyl)benzene were available.

There is *limited evidence* in experimental animals for the carcinogenicity of 1,4-bis-(chloromethoxymethyl)benzene.

### **Overall evaluation**

1,4-Bis(chloromethoxymethyl)benzene is not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans (Group 3).

# 6. References

- IARC (1977) IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of the Carcinogenic Risk of Chemicals to Man, Vol. 15, Some Fumigants, the Herbicides 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T, Chlorinated Dibenzodioxins and Miscellaneous Industrial Chemicals, Lyon, pp. 37–39
- IARC (1987) IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans, Supplement 7, Overall Evaluations of Carcinogenicity: An Updating of IARC Monographs Volumes 1 to 42, Lyon, p. 58