

ProtoREACH

ProtoREACH is a computational (*in silico*) tool specially focused on REACH, a European Union regulation, adopted to improve the protection of human health and the environment from the risks that can be posed by chemicals, while enhancing the competitiveness of the EU chemicals industry.

REACH also promotes alternative methods for the hazard assessment of substances in order to reduce the number of tests on animals. The requirements for registering a chemical substance are organized as annexes of the REACH regulation. Different annexes must be used depending on the substance mass produced or imported by each company.

Endpoint

Human health effects: Mutagenicity/Genotoxicity. *In Vitro* Mammalian Cell Gene Mutation Tests using the *Hprt* and *xprt* genes.

Mutagenicity refers to the induction of permanent transmissible changes in the amount or structure of the genetic material of cells or organisms. The purpose of the *in vitro* mammalian cell gene mutation test is to detect gene mutations induced by chemicals. The cell lines used in these tests measure forward mutations in reporter genes, specifically the endogenous hypoxanthine-guanine phosphoribosyl transferase gene. *Hprt* gene mutation assay identifies substances that induce gene mutations in the *Hprt* gene of established cell lines.

Metrics

Training set

Experimental values	QSAR predictions	
	non-mutagenic	mutagenic
non-mutagenic	287	46
mutagenic	4	35

Validation set

Experimental values	QSAR predictions	
	non-mutagenic	mutagenic
non-mutagenic	115	28
mutagenic	5	12

Parameters	Training	Validation
Accuracy	0.87	0.79
Sensitivity / recall	0.90	0.71
Specificity	0.86	0.80
Precision	0.43	0.30
Negative predictive value	0.99	0.96
F-score	0.58	0.42
Matthews Correlation Coefficient	0.56	0.36
Critical Success Index	0.41	0.27
Area under the ROC	0.88	0.76

ProtoREACH is part of



ProtoPRED platform allows the easy, fast and user-friendly prediction of different properties of chemical compounds, by proprietary (Q)SAR models.

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