# TTC Workshop Summary and Outlook

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## History and Current Application (I)

#### Long history of the TTC concept

- beginnings of testing in the 1950s
- → Cramer et al. (1978)
- → Munro et al. (1996)
- ➡ Kroes et al. (2004)
- ➡ EFSA (2012)



## History and Current Application (II)

- Decision tree by Cramer et al. (1978), underlying rules and reasoning
- Evaluations; how conservative is the tool?
- Available for users: Toxtree (JRC) and ChemProp (UFZ)

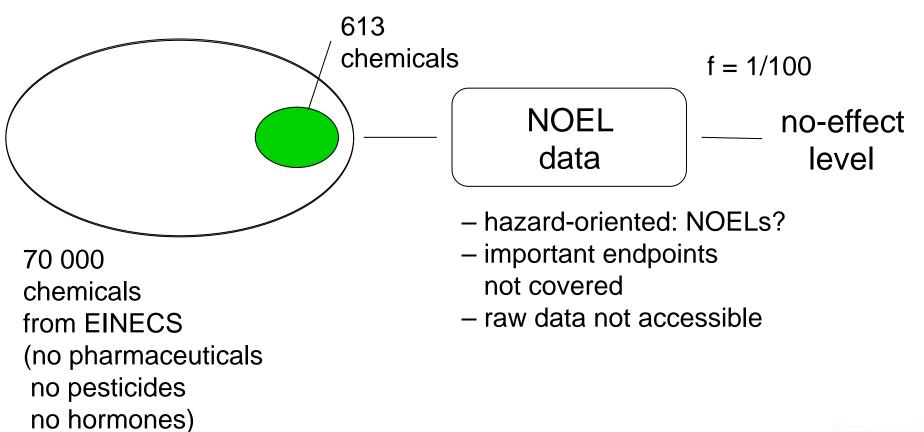


## History and Current Application (III)

- Current uses for chemicals in FCM in the EU
- Used in combination with chemical-specific data and as part of an overall strategy
- Limitations:
  - exclusion categories: chemicals not represented by the initial 613 chemicals
  - mixtures
  - ➡ NIAS (?)

#### Again: how conservative is the concept?

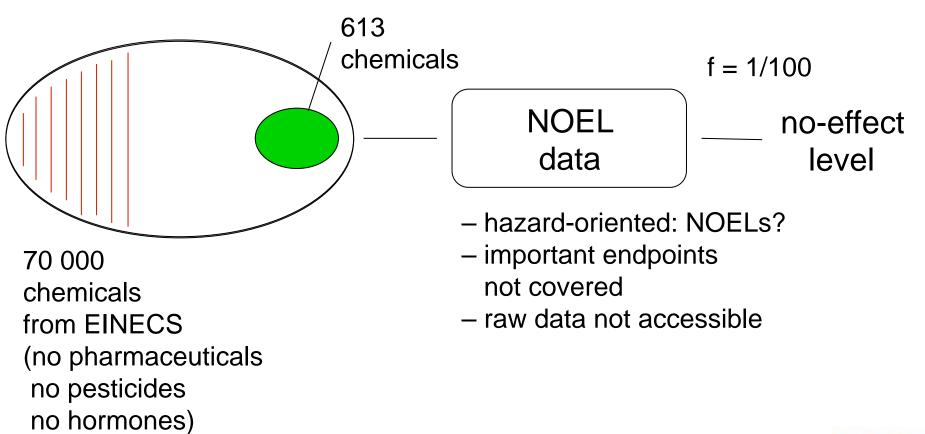






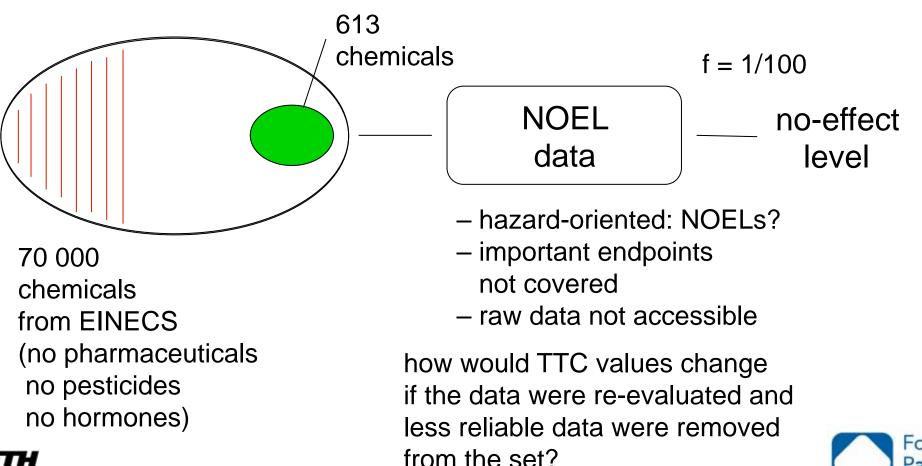
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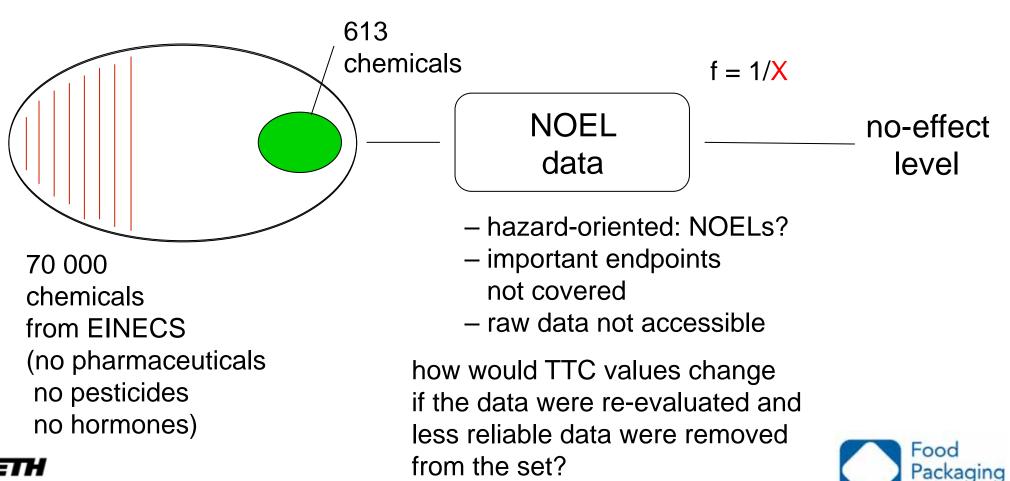




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#### **Mixtures**

More chemicals: TTC value will have to be reduced

Number of relevant components of the mixture?

Concentrations of these components?

 General problem of mixture effects in risk assessment





#### Scientific Committee on Food

# Revised Guidelines: what are the assumptions for exposure assessment for FCMs?



### Summary

What chemical structures? Applicability domain

How reliable are the effect data?

Mixtures?

Low-dose effects?

Decision under uncertainty:

Chemicals that have not been tested, but are known to be present in FCM need to be represented in the assessment of FCM



