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PROJECT TITLE

Inhibition of tyrosinase leads to decreased population in fish

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PROJECT CATEGORY

☒ Development of an AOP - applicable to a chemical category

Select the development tool to be used
☒ AOP-Wiki ☐ Effectopedia

☐ Guidance document related to AOP development including its evaluation

☐ Knowledge management tool for supporting AOP development including its evaluation

☐ Other, please specify below

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Please provide sufficient information to facilitate the review of the project submission by the OECD secretariat and the Extended Advisory Group with respect to its suitability to be included in the workplan of the AOP programme.

The present AOP shows a tyrosinase (TYR) inhibition-mediated adverse outcome (AO) in fishes. TYR is the rate-limiting enzyme controlling the induction of melanogenesis in diverse colored patterns in aquatic organisms. The significant reactions of TYR can be explained as followings; First, TYR can convert L-tyrosine directly to L-3,4-dihydroxyphenylalanine (L-DOPA) which is a precursor of (2S)-2-Amino-3-(3,4-dioxocyclohexa-1,5-dien-1-yl)propanoic acid (L-Dopaquinone) synthesis; Second, TYR catalyzes the oxidation of L-DOPA to the L-Dopaquinone which is the reactive intermediate for the eumelanin and pheomelanin synthesis. Inhibition of TYR can be caused by chemical inhibitors such as 1-phenyl 2-thiourea (PTU), sesamol, arbutin, Kojic acid, bis(4-hydroxybenzyl) and etc. (J. Karlsson et al., 2001; W. C. Chen et al., 2015; Baek and Lee, 2015; S. H. Cha et al., 2011). TYR inhibition, the MIE for the present AOP, results in reduction of L-Dopaquinone level in the melanocyte via inhibition of L-DOPA oxidation moreover, it results in attenuation of eumelanin and pheomelanin biosynthesis (T. S. Chang, 2012; J. Choi and J. G. Lee, 2015; S. Y. Lee, 2016; A. J. Winder and H. Harris, 1991; W. C. Chen et al., 2015). The lowered level of melanin biosynthesis by TYR inhibition simultaneously leads to depigmentation in skin tissue and diminished pigmentation pattern in the fish body (L. E. Jao et al., 2013; S. Y. Wu et al., 2015; S. H. Baek and S. H. Lee, 2015; W. C. Chen et al., 2015; D. C. Kim et al., 2017).

Pigment patterns in common fishes usually play a significant role to communicate within species, intersexual interactions, escape potential in the eyes of predators and finding shoal mate (Price et al., 2008; C. L. Peichel et al., 2004; R. E. Engeszer et al., 2004). Accordingly, it is considered that the tyrosinase inhibitor-induced depigmentation reduces the trajectory of fishes. Although several studies regarding agonistic behaviour, loss of visual performance, changed survival rate and spawning performance in depigmented fishes have been performed over the past decades (O. Slavík and M. Wackermannová, 2016; J. Q. Ren et al., 2002; O. Slavík et al., 2015; U. L. Onyia et al., 2016; K. Bondari, 1984; J. O. A. Q. U. I. N. Pérez-Carpinell et al., 1992), these studies have not been clarified the exact mechanism of the decreased trajectories of fish population by specific tyrosinase inhibitor.

This AOP is designed to estimate changes in trajectory of fishes resulted from the TYR inhibition by potential inhibitors. Decreased trajectory resulted from reduced pigmentation pattern in the fish body is potential endpoint for eco-toxicity. The proposed end point will provide useful high throughput risk assessment screening tool for potential chemicals. Consequently, this AOP can be applied to the prediction of eco-toxicity caused by the inhibition of TYR.
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**PROJECT PLANNING**

In this section, please provide an indication of when the project is likely to commence and the expected duration. Please also make reference to any particular milestones or external factors that will influence project planning, and if the project is linked to programmes of particular organisations or consortia.

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