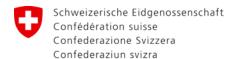


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Bisphenol A exposure



Plastic polycarbonate

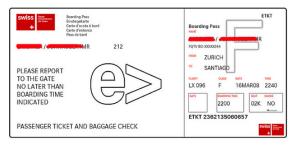




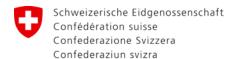








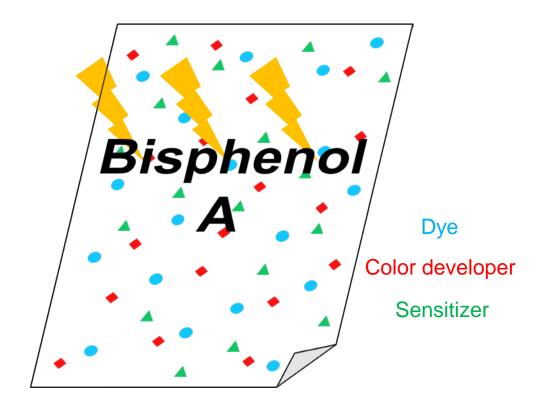
Thermal paper

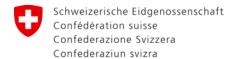


Thermal paper



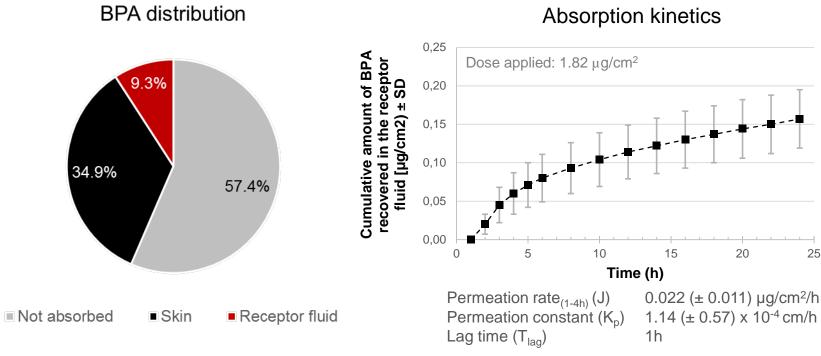
Thermal reactive layer
Pre-coat
Base paper



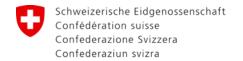


How much BPA is absorbed by the skin?

Analysis performed according to OECD TG428 (*in vitro*) with frozen skin (200 µM thickness)



Demierre et al (2012) Toxicol Letters

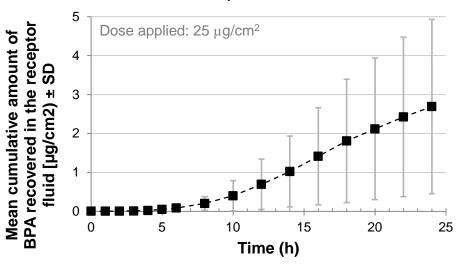




BPA absorption into viable skin (Preliminary results)

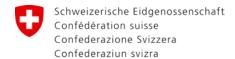
Similar analysis performed with viable skin (800 µM thickness) from plastic surgery

Absorption kinetics



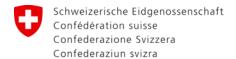
Permeation rate (J) 0.23 (± 0.12) $\mu g/cm^2/h$ Permeation constant (K_p) 9.2 (± 4.95) x 10⁻⁴ cm/h Lag time (T_{lag}) 8.5 (± 0.2) h

- Results in similar range
- Variation due to different skin (frozen vs viable), skin thickness, dose and volume applied



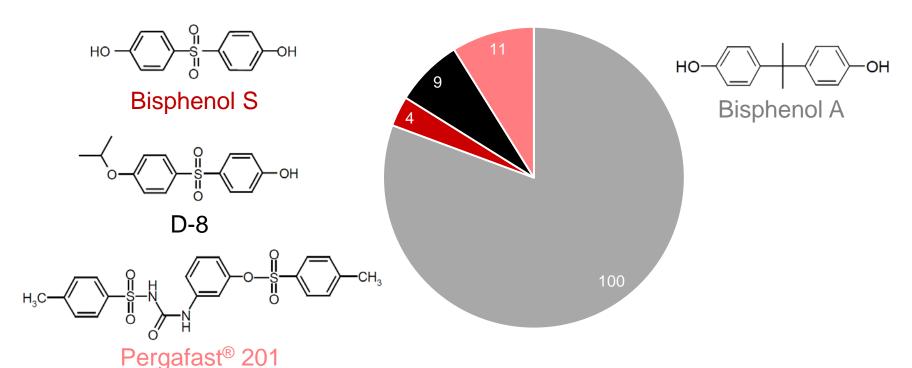
First conclusions

- Thermal papers are a BPA source of exposure
- Sales workers are particularly exposed
- Dermal absorption rate is around 10%
- Ban on BPA in thermal paper in Japan (2001), Taiwan (2011), Connecticut USA (2015)...
- Process currently ongoing in EU
- Another color developer is still needed

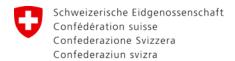


Market analysis in Switzerland

Analysis of 124 thermal papers (cashier receipts, ATM receipts, parking tickets, bus tickets...) between Sep 2013 and Jan 2014



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What are these alternatives?

Bisphenol S

- Endocrine disruptor (weak estrogenic)
- More persistent than BPA in the environment

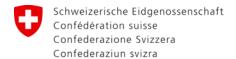
D-8 (also known as Wincon-8 or BPSIP)

- Few data available
- Limited information on endocrine disruption
- Highly toxic for the environment

Pergafast® 201

- Few data available
- Limited information on endocrine disruption
- Very persistent and highly toxic for the environment

US EPA DfE Report: Bisphenol A alternatives in thermal paper (2014)



ED activity of BPA and its alternatives

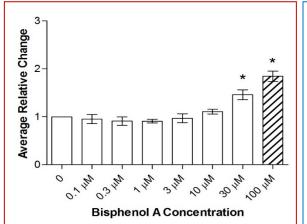
Steroidogenesis Assay (OECD TG456):

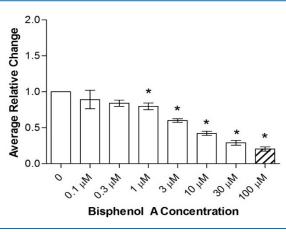
In vitro evaluation of impact on production of estradiol (female hormone) and testosterone (male hormone)

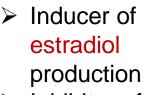
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Estradiol

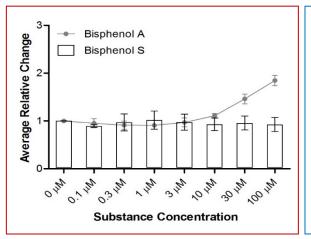
Testosterone

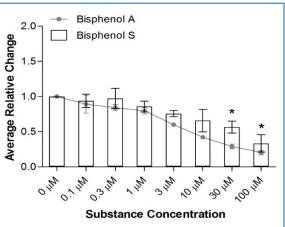






Inhibitor of testosterone production





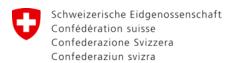
- No effect on estradiol production
- Inhibitor of testosterone production

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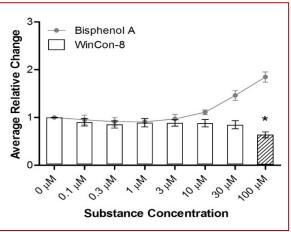
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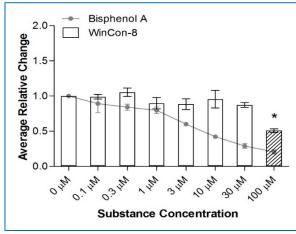


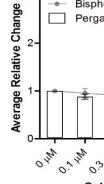
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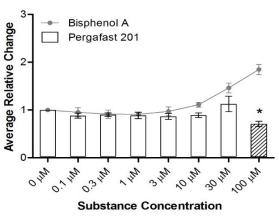


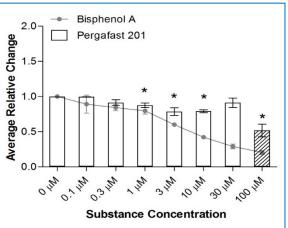




D-8 (WinCon-8)

Pergafast® 201

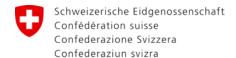




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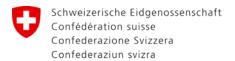
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Conclusions

- Replacement of BPA already ongoing
- Confirmation of endocrine activity of BPA and BPS
- No significant effect on estradiol or testosterone production has been shown for Pergafast® 201 and D-8
- Non-Bisphenol alternatives look safer than BPA
- But further studies required to affirm that they are really safe

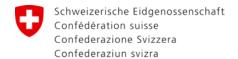




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Finally! Soon will be all receipts nontoxic

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