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The OECD QSAR Toolbox for Grouping Chemicals into Categories

OECD QSAR Toolbox v.4.2

An example illustrating RAAF Scenario 4 and related assessment elements

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Background

- This is a step-by-step presentation designed to take the Toolbox user through the workflow of a data gap filling exercise and assessing of the outcome whether read across is scientifically acceptable or not
- The read-across prediction will be justified by fulfilling all information requirements according to the Read Across Assessment Framework (RAAF).

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Objectives

This presentation demonstrates a number of functionalities of the Toolbox:

- Define a target endpoint;
- Relevancy of profiles and data availability;
- Searching of analogues accounting for metabolism;
- A category consistency check;
- Selection of a RAAF scenario;
- Filling in the report sections related to each read across assessment element.

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Specific Aims

- To familiarize the user with the Read Across Assessment Framework (RAAF) and more specifically with Scenario 4;
- To introduce to the user the read across assessment elements;
- To introduce to the user the report basket;
- To provide sufficient information allowing a scientific assessment of the outcome;
- To explain to the Toolbox user the rationale behind each step of the exercise.

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Read Across Assessment Framework (RAAF) Overview

- RAAF has been developed by ECHA as an internal tool providing a framework for a consistent and structured assessment of grouping and read across approaches under REACH.
- The outcome of the assessment is a conclusion on whether the read across is scientifically acceptable or not.
- The RAAF defines different scenarios for different read-across approaches.
- Each scenario is associated with a particular aspects (assessment elements, AEs).
- Total six scenarios are available: two for an analogue approach and four for a category approach

Read Across Assessment Framework (RAAF) Selection of a RAAF scenario

SCENARIO	APPROACH	READ-ACROSS HYPOTHESIS BASED ON	QUANTITATIVE VARIATIONS
1	Analogue	(Bio)transformation to common compound(s)	Property of the target substance predicted to be quantitatively equal to those of the source substance or prediction based on a worst-case approach.
2	Analogue	Different compounds have qualitatively similar properties	Properties of the target substance predicted to be quantitatively equal to those of the source substance or prediction based on a worst-case approach.
з	Category	(Bio)transformation to common compound(s)	Variations in the properties observed among source substances. Prediction based on a regular pattern or on a worst-case approach.
4	Category	Different compounds have qualitatively similar properties	Variations in the properties observed among source substances. Prediction based on a regular pattern or on a worst-case approach.
5	Category	(Bio)transformation to common compound(s)	No relevant variations in properties observed among source substances and the same strength predicted for the target substance.
6	Category	Different compounds have qualitatively similar properties	No relevant variations in properties observed among source substances and the same strength predicted for the target substance

*Read-Across Assessment Framework (RAAF) available at https://echa.europa.eu/documents/10162/13628/raaf en.pdf

Read Across Assessment Framework (RAAF) Selection of a RAAF scenario

- 1. Distinguish whether an analogue ora category approach is decided based on the number (N) of analogues:
 - a) N of analogues \leq 3 is an Analogue approach (scenario 1-2)
 - b) N of analogues > 3 is a Category approach (scenario 3-6)
- 2. To identify the basis of the read across hypothesis
 - a) (Bio)transformation to (a) common compound(s) the read across hypothesis is that different substances give rise to (the same) common compounds to which the organism is exposed to
 - b) Different compounds have the same type of (an) effect(s) the read across hypothesis is that the organism is not exposed to common compounds but rather, as a result of similarity, that different compounds have similar (eco)toxicological and fate properties. These compounds may be the **source** and **target substances themselves** or **one or more of their (bio)transformation products**.
- 3. For a category approach (scenario 3-6) there is a need to take further account whether or not quantitative variations in the properties are observed among the category members:
 - a) There is a quantitative variation in the (eco) toxicity when it is more than 1 log units* (scenario 3 and 4)
 - b) A quantitative variation is not expected in the (eco) toxicity when it is less or equal to 1 log unit (scenario 5-6)

* The threshold for the number of analogues which distinguishes an analogue from a category approach is proposed by LMC

******The quantitative variation in the (eco)toxicity of 1 log unit is proposed by LMC due to empirically observations.

Read Across Assessment Framework (RAAF) Selection of a RAAF scenario

- Each scenario consists of a pre-defined set of assessment elements (AEs) that, when taken together, covers all of the essential scientific aspects that need to be addressed in the read-across approach for a particular scenario.*
- Each AE reflects a critical scientific aspect of a read-across.
- The AEs could be:
 - common for all scenario within one approach common AEs for Scenario 1 and 2 (analogue approach) and common AEs for Scenario 3, 4, 5 and 6 (category approach)
 - **specific** addressing a specific scenario.

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The Exercise

- In this exercise we will predict *Repeated Dose Toxicity (RDT)* of 3,5dimethyl-aniline [CAS# 108-69-0], which will be the "target" chemical.
- The category will be defined by the aniline functionality causing a Hemolytic anemia with a methemoglobinemia accounting for an in vivo Rat metabolism;
- The read across approach will be used for the prediction. The read-across will be based on a category approach expressed as a common underlying mechanism for metabolites of source and target substances;
- Read across assessment elements will be included to the report;
- Examples for the possible content of each of AEs will be provided.

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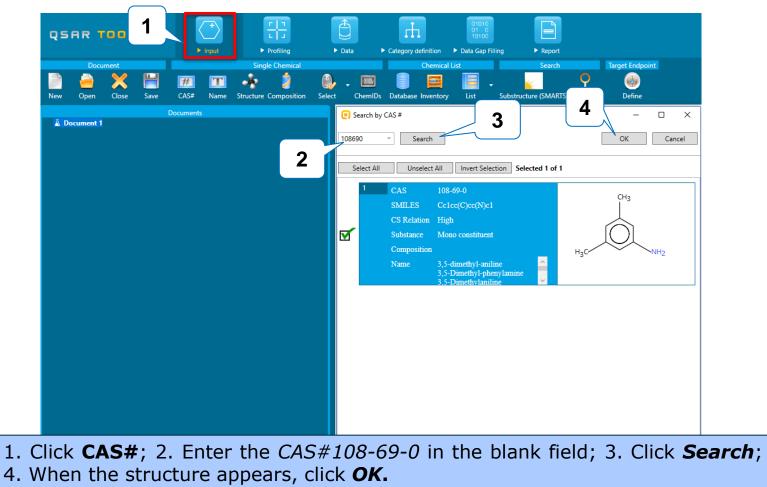
Workflow

- The Toolbox has six modules which are used in a sequential workflow:
 - o Input
 - Profiling
 - o Data
 - Category Definition
 - Data Gap Filling
 - Report

Input Overview

- This module provides the user with several means of entering the chemical of interest or the target chemical.
- Since all subsequent functions are based on a chemical structure, the goal here is to make sure the molecular structure assigned to the target chemical is the correct one.

Input Input the target chemical by CAS#



Input Define the target endpoint

Defining of the endpoint allows entering the endpoint of interest e.g. EC3, LOEL, LC50 etc., along with specific metadata information. Based on the metadata, different relevancy scores for profiles could be provided for the same endpoint.



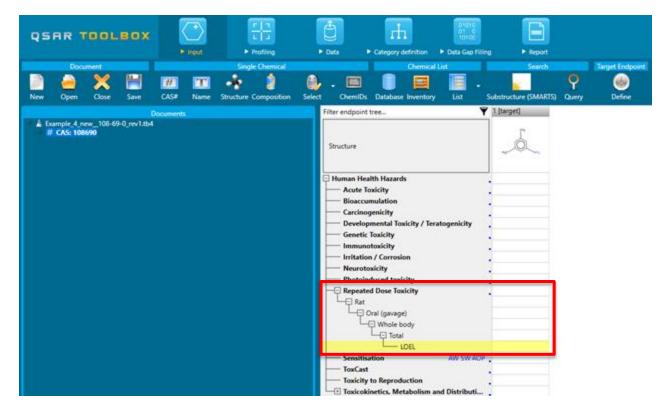
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Click on **Define** (1), select **Repeated Dose Toxicity** (2) and then click **Next** (3). Select **LOEL** as an endpoint from the drop-down menu and then consecutively the following metadata: *Effect*: **Total**, *Organism(tissue):* **Whole body**, *Test organism(species):* **Rat**, *Route of administration:* **Oral (gavage)** (4). Finally click on **Finish** (5).

Input Define the target endpoint

Once the endpoint is defined along with its metadata, they appear in the endpoint tree and the corresponding row of the data matrix is yellow highlighted.



Profiling Overview

- "Profiling" refers to the electronic process of retrieving relevant information on the target compound, other than environmental fate, ecotoxicity and toxicity data, which are stored in the Toolbox database.
- Available information includes likely mechanism(s) of action, as well as observed or simulated metabolites.

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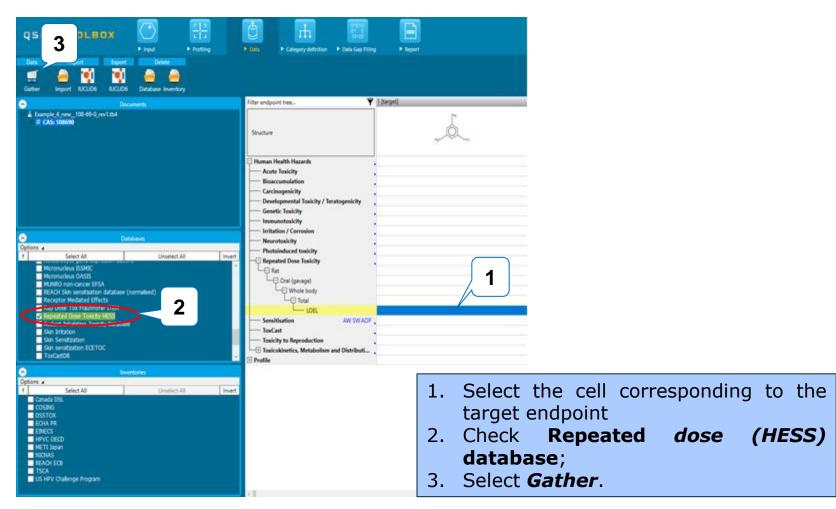
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Data Overview

- "Data" refers to the electronic process of retrieving the environmental fate, eco-toxicity and toxicity data that are stored in the Toolbox.
- Data gathering can be executed in a global fashion (i.e., collecting all data for all endpoints) or on a more narrowly defined basis (e.g., collecting data for a single or a limited number of endpoints).

Data Collecting experimental data



Data

Collecting experimental data

- Toxicity information on the target chemical is electronically collected from the selected dataset(s).
- It should be kept in mind that the search for data and analogues is performed only among the chemicals which are listed in the selected database(s), which in this example is *Repeated dose (HESS)*.
- Two experimental data related to the defined target endpoint are found.

Based on the observed data (60 mg/kg bw/d) the target chemical is classified as Category 2 regarding GHS classification ¹

Route of exposure	Units	Guidance value range (dose/concentration)
Oral (rat)	mg/kg bw/d	10 - 100
Dermal (rat or rabbit)	mg/kg bw/d	20 - 200
Inhalation (rat) gas	ppm/6h/d	50 - 250
Inhalation (rat) vapour	mg/litre/6h/d	0.2 - 1.0
Inhalation (rat) dust/mist/fume	mg/litre/6h/d	0.02 - 0.2

Table 3.9.2: Guidance values to assist in Category 2 classification

See on the next slide

¹ Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS): http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/trans/danger/publi/ghs/ghs_rev04/English/ST-SG-AC10-30-Rev4e.pdf

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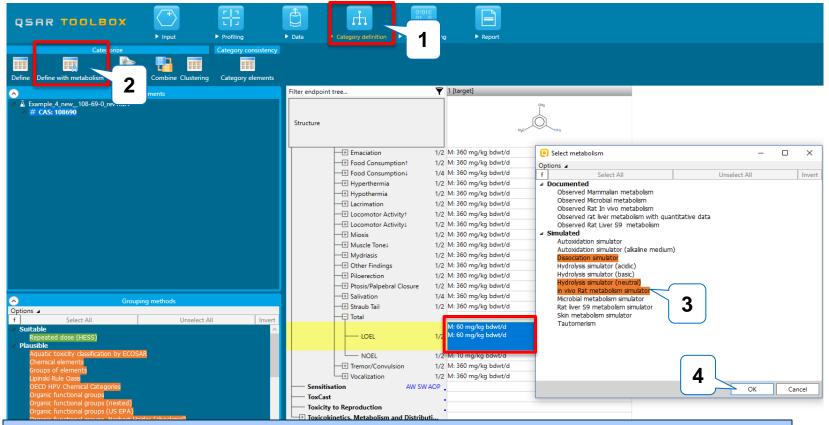
1. The extracted data for *LOEL Repeated dose toxicity* is displayed on the data matrix; Both experimental data for target chemical are the same (*60 mg/kg bdw/d*).

Category definition Overview

- This module provides the user with several means of grouping chemicals into a toxicologically meaningful category that includes the target molecule.
- This is the critical step in the workflow.
- Several options are available in the Toolbox to assist the user in refining the category definition.
- As the RDT is a systemic endpoint the metabolism could take place. The primary category in the current example will be defined accounting for an *in vivo rat* metabolism.

Category Definition

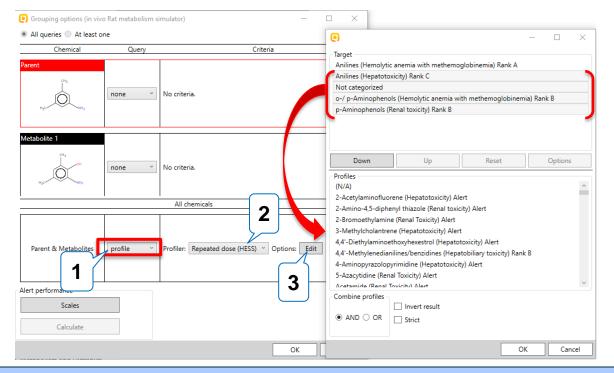
Searching for analogues accounting for an *in vivo* Rat metabolism



1. Go to the <u>Category definition</u> module; 2. Click **Define with metabolism**; 3. Select **in vivo Rat metabolism simulator**; 4. Click **OK**.

Category Definition

Searching for analogues accounting for an *in vivo* Rat metabolism



- 1. Select a **profile** option for the package "parent & metabolites";
- 2. Select "Repeated dose (HESS)" profile;
- 3. Click the **Edit** button. Remove all categories except *Anilines (Hemolytic anemia with a methemoglobinemia) Rank A*^{*} category by double click or using "Down" button;

*the categories with Rank A are supported with training sets chemicals having reliable experimental data

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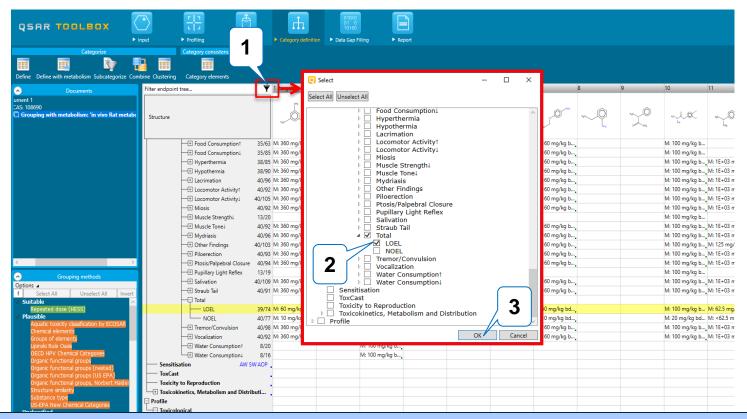
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- 1. Click **OK** to confirm the defined search criteria.
- 2. Click **OK** in Map similarity options window to execute the search.

In this way we will search for analogues that have this alert as a parent or as a metabolite.

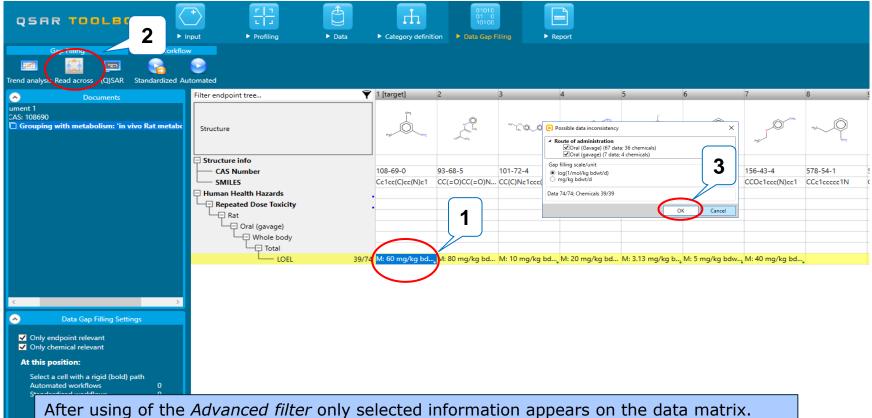
Filter data matrix



All information on data matrix which is not needed at the current moment could be removed using a filter.

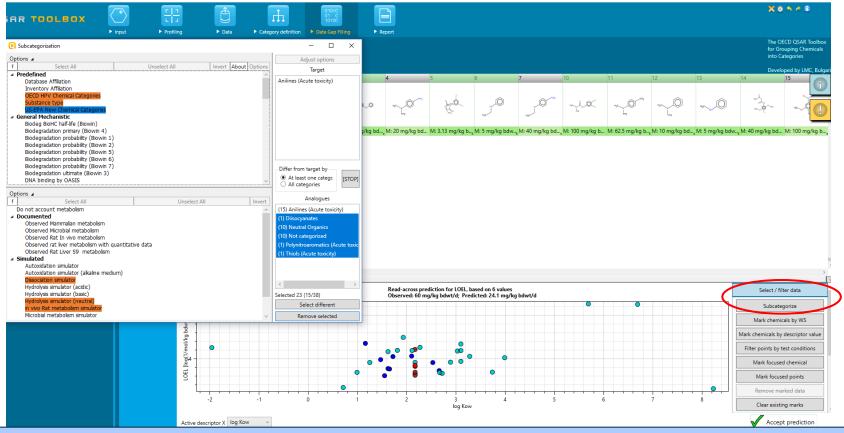
Click the **Advanced filter** icon (1). A window with the endpoint tree organization appears. Select only the nodes which you want to see in the data matrix and confirm by clicking OK (3).

Data Gap Filling Apply Read across



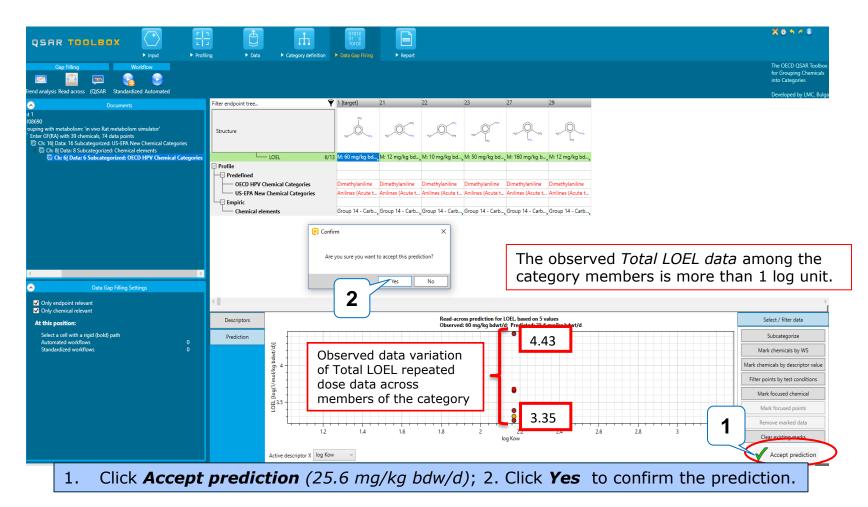
After using of the *Advanced filter* only selected information appears on the data matrix. 1. Click the cell corresponding to the target chemical in the row with the defined endpoint; 2. Click **Read-across**; 3. **Possible data inconsistency** window appears, select **OK**.

Data Gap Filling Subcategorizations



Go to **Select/filter data > Subcategorize** and consecutively subcategorize by: 1) US-EPA New Chemical Categories; 2) Chemical elements; 3) OECD HPV Chemical Categories.

Data Gap Filling Subcategorizations



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Data Gap Filling RA prediction for CAS 108-69-0 Results

Observed data:

Total LOEL - 60 mg/kg bdw/day Total LOEL – 25.6 mg/kg bdw/day

Prediction:

Based on the predicted data (for Total LOEL) the target chemical is classified as Category 2 regarding GHS classification ¹. The RA results is in accordance with the observed data.

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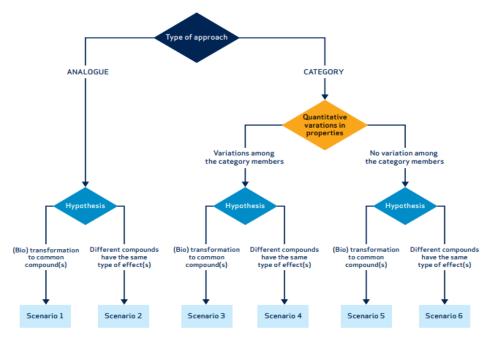
Report Overview

- Report module allows generating a report for any of the predictions performed within the Toolbox.
- The report module contains a predefined report template which the users can customize.
- Additionally a specific RAAF scenario could be chosen. Selection of one of the scenarios will append automatically the related assessment elements related to the corresponding report sections.

Report Selection of a RAAF scenario

To select the applicable RAAF scenario for assessment, the following aspect should be identified*:

- the type of approach applied an analogue approach or a category approach;
- the read-across hypothesis;
- For category approach whether quantitative variations in the properties are observed among the category members must be considered.



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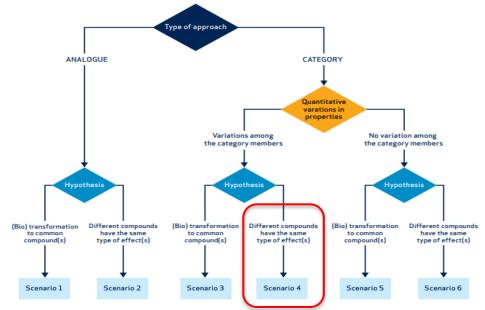
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Report Selection of a RAAF scenario

For the current example:

- the type of approach applied a category approach is used (a threshold of >3 analogues is proposed by LMC for the category approach);
- the read-across hypothesis different compounds with a common underlying mechanism for metabolites of source and target substances;
- For a category approach The observed quantitative variation of *Total LOEL* among the category members is more than 1 log unit^{*}.

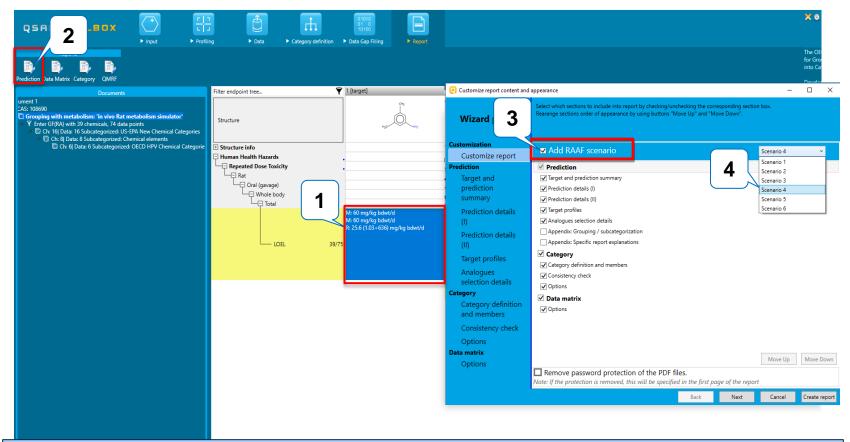
Scenario 4 was selected for the current example based on the RAAF selection criteria .



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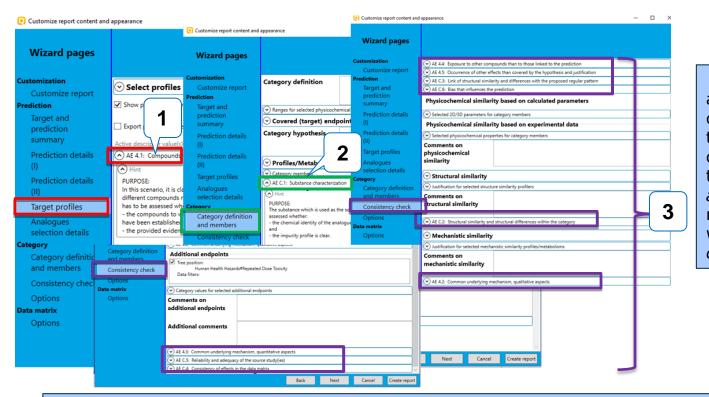
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Report Generation according to RAAF-Scenario 4



1. Go to the *Report module* and click on the cell with the prediction (*R:25.6 mg/kg bdwt/d*); 2. Click the **Prediction** button; 3. Check the box at the top to add a **RAAF scenario**; 4. Select **Scenario 4** from the drop-down menu.

Reporting Report Generation according to RAAF-Scenario 4

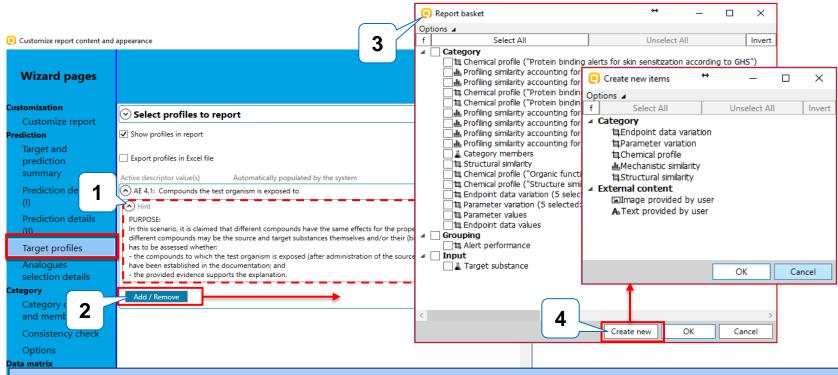


All AEs of **Scenario 4** are distributed as follows: one AE is associated with the *Target profiles* (1), one AE is associated with the *Category definition and members* (2), and nine AEs are associated with the *Consistency check* (3).

Once the RAAF scenario is selected the assessment elements (AEs) related to it will be appended to the corresponding sections of the report automatically. AEs appear in the following report sections: **Target profiles**. **Category definition and members** and **Consistency check**.

Each of the AEs will be considered in the next slides.

Report Generation according to RAAF-Scenario 4



A hint for each of the assessment elements is available (1). Information can be included by the **Add/Remove** button (2) located below the corresponding AE. The *Add/Remove* button invokes so called "*Report basket*" (3). The latter contains different items triggered by the actions of the user during the workflow (e.g. Alert performance calculation, applying of category elements, etc.).

Additionally, new items (including items with external content) can be created (4).

Items with an external content (picture and text) will be added for **AE 4.1**. **Compounds the test organism is exposed** to

Report Generation according to RAAF-Scenario 4

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See how to add the textual content of AE 4.1 along with an illustrative picture of the target and source substances in the next slides. March, 2018 45

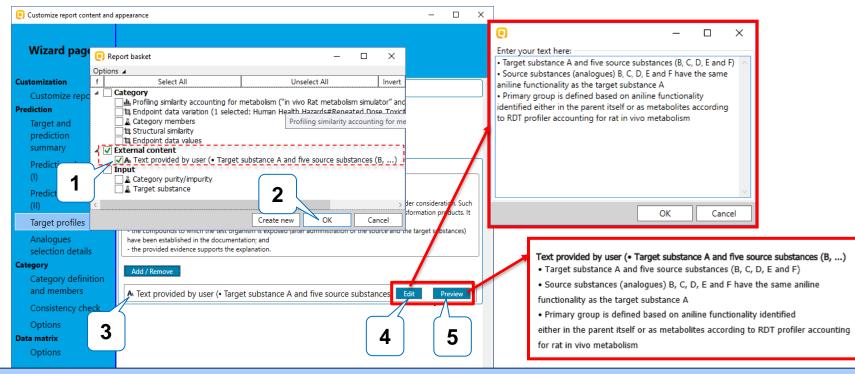
Report Generation according to RAAF-Scenario 4

• Target profiles section

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	In order to add text information to the Add/Remove button (2), click Crea window, click Text provided by user (the empty field (5), click OK (6).	te new (3) in	Report basket	

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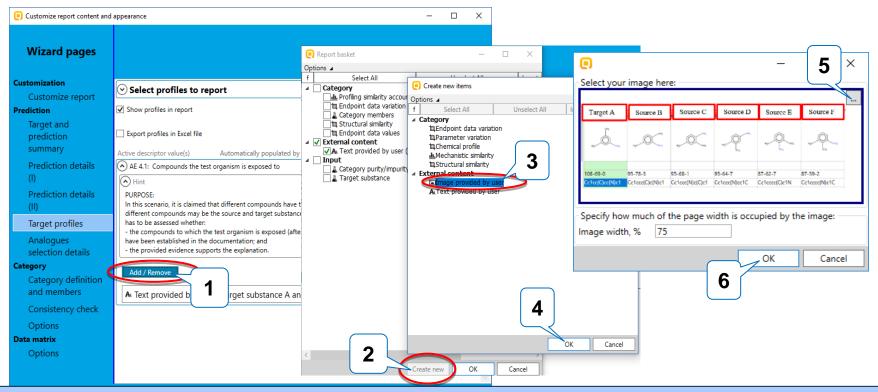
• Target profiles section



The entered text is listed in the **Report basket** under *External content* section and the check box is ticked (1). Click **OK** (2). The new item is added under the corresponding AE (3). There are two options for each of the report items - **edit** (4) (if you want to change the content) and **preview** (5) (if you want to see the information provided by this item).

Report Generation according to RAAF-Scenario 4

• Target profiles section



In order to also add an image: click **Add/Remove** button again (1), *create a new* item (2) and select **Image provided by user** (3) and click **OK** (4). A new window appears where you can add your custom picture by Copy/Paste or browsing (5) to the directory in your PC where the desired picture is saved. Finally confirm by **OK** (6).

Report Generation according to RAAF-Scenario 4

• Category definition and members section

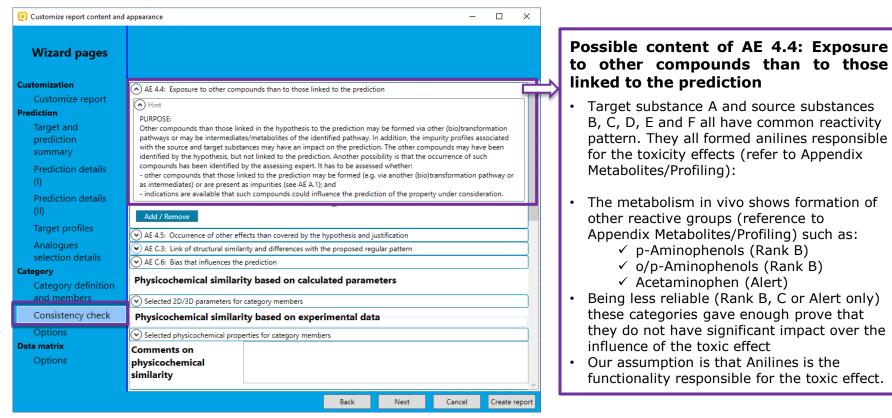
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Wizard pages				Category members			
Customization Customize report Prediction	Category definition		1	CAS 108-69-0	Name 3,5-xylidine	SMILES Cclcc(C)cc(N)cl	
Target and prediction summary	 Ranges for selected physicochemical properties and calculated parameters Covered (target) endpoint(s) Category hypothesis 		2	95-78-3	2,5-Xylidene	Cc1ccc(C)c(N)c1	H ₂ C VIII2
Prediction details (I) Prediction details	Category hypothesis						H3C NH2
(II) Target profil Analogues			3	95-68-1	2,4-xylidine	Cc1ccc(N)c(C)c1	H3C OH3
selection details Category Category definition and members	PURPOSE: PURPOSE: The substance which is used as the source substance needs to have a clear substance characterization. It has to be assessed whether: - the chemical identity of the analogue is sufficiently clear for a meaningful assessment of the proposed read-across; and - the impurity profile is clear.		4	95-64-7	3,4-xylidine	Cc1ccc(N)cc1C	H4C 0 1942
Consistency check Options Data matrix Options 2	- the impurity profile is clear. Name, CAS and/or EC number, chemical structure should be provided. Add / Remove		5	87-62-7	2,6-xylidine	Cc1cccc(C)c1N	
	Category members	~					HgC Hg

One AE (1) related to the characterization of the category members (target and source substances) is included in the *Category definition and members* section. The **AE C.1** is automatically filled in by the system (2) by using the available items in the *Report basket*. If impurities/additives of the used analogues are available, they will be also included. The current analogues have no additives/impurities.

Example on how the AE C.1. will look in the generated report is shown in right (3).

Report Generation according to RAAF-Scenario 4

• A consistency check section



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Customize report	AE 4.5: Occurrence of other effects than covered by the hypothesis and justification		
Prediction	Hint		-
Target and	PURPOSE:		
prediction	It has to be assessed whether:		
summary	 - additional mechanisms than those identified in the hypothesis may be acting on the basis of mechanistic in derived from information in the data matrix; and 	nsights or	
Prediction details	- these additional mechanisms affect the prediction for the property under consideration.		
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Prediction details	Add / Remove		
(11)	AE C.3: Link of structural similarity and differences with the proposed regular pattern		
Target profiles	AE C.6: Bias that influences the prediction		
Analogues	Physicochemical similarity based on calculated parameters		
selection details	Selected 2D/3D parameters for category members		
Category Category definition	Physicochemical similarity based on experimental data		
and members	Selected physicochemical properties for category members		
Consistency check	Comments on		
Options	physicochemical similarity		
Data matrix			
Options	🕑 Structural similarity		
	Justification for selected structure similarity profilers		
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Possible content of AE 4.5: Occurrence of other effects than covered by the hypothesis and justification

- The target substance A and the source substances B,C, D, E and F have a common reactivity pattern based on Anilines functionality
- Additional alerts for repeated dose toxicity have been identified in the parents and their metabolites. The additional mechanisms are with Rank B and Rank C.
- Rank A is assigned only to the used *Anilines (Hemolytic anemia with methemoglobinemia)* category. The categories with *Rank A* are supported with training sets chemicals having reliable experimental data.
- It is assumed that the additional mechanism will not affect the prediction for the property under consideration.

Report Generation according to RAAF-Scenario 4

• A consistency check section

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Customize report	AE 4.5: Occ f Select All Unselect All	Invert About Options	ns Repeated dose (HESS)	P1 P2	P3	P4 F	P5	P6
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Target and prediction	PURPOSE:	nd "Repeated dose (HESS)") Select All	with methemoglobinemia) Rank A	2 5	5		-	
summary	- additional mechanisms	Unselect All	Anilines (Hepatotoxicity) Rank C	2 3	3	3 2	2	3
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Prediction details	Add / Remove	Preview	Mefenamic Acid (Hepatotoxicity) Alert	0 0	0	3 1	1	6
(11)	AE C.3: Link of structu		Menadione (Hepatotoxicity) Alert	0 0	0	0	1	1
Target profiles	AE C.6: Bias that influe	OK Cancel	Not categorized	4 6	6	5 3	3	2
Analogues selection details	Physicochemical s		o-/ p-Aminophenols (Hemolytic anemia with methemoglobinemia) Rank	2 2 B	1	2 1	1 1	2
Category	Selected 2D/3D parameters for category members		p-Aminophenols (Renal	1 1	0	0 1	1	1
Category definition	Physicochemical similarity based on experimental data		toxicity) Rank B Toluene (Renal toxicity)	0 1	1	0 1		1
and members	Selected physicochemical properties for category members		Alert	•	1	Č I		-
Consistency check	Comments on physicochemical							
Options Data matrix	similarity							

Additionally to the entered text, the profiling similarity could be also included. To do this click **Add/Remove** button and check the box of **Profiling similarity** (2). This item stored in the report basket, is triggered by the used simulators and the profiling scheme for the primary grouping. Right click and preview the item (3). Tables with generated metabolites for each parent along with the profiling result will be provided. A table summarizing all profiling results for each of the packages "parent and metabolites" is provided (4) at the end.

Report Generation according to RAAF-Scenario 4

• A consistency check section

Wizard pages		
Customization Customize report Prediction	AE 4.4: Exposure to other compounds than to those linked to the prediction AE 4.5: Occurrence of other effects than covered by the hypothesis and justification	Possible content of AE C.3: Link of structural similarity and differences
Target and prediction summary Prediction details (I) Prediction details (II) Target profiles Analogues selection details	 AE C.3: Link of structural similarity and differences with the proposed regular pattern Hint PURPOSE: It has to be assessed whether: the documentation provides an explanation why the category members should behave in a predictable manner (e.g. based on no absorption due to molecular-weight considerations, or lacking reactivity towards biological material, regular pattern in increasing strength of effect due to kinetic differences); it is likely that all category members follow the proposed explanation and where the boundaries of the category are in this respect; and the provided evidence supports the explanation. 	 with the proposed regular pattern The category is structurally defined as a target (A) and the five source substances (B,C, D, E and F) all have a common reactivity pattern; They all form <i>anilines</i> either as a parent or after a metabolic activation
Category Category definition and members Consistency check Options	Physicochemical similarity based on calculated parameters	(an in vivo rat metabolism) that are responsible for the toxic effect.
Data matrix Options	Comments on physicochemical similarity	~

Report Generation according to RAAF-Scenario 4

• Consistency check section

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Options Data matrix Options	Physicochemical similarity based on e Selected physicochemical properties for category r Comments on physicochemical	•	ta			
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Possible content of AE C.6: Bias that influences the prediction

- The used source chemicals have been found based on a common underlying mechanism for repeated dose toxicity accounting for *in vivo* Rat metabolism;
- The most reliable category was selected (with Rank A);
- The primary group was refined by applying of the following subcategorizations: 1) US-EPA New Chemical Categories, 2) Chemical elements; 3) OECD HPV Chemical Categories.

A chemical expert can provide additional literature search of similar analogues with similar effects

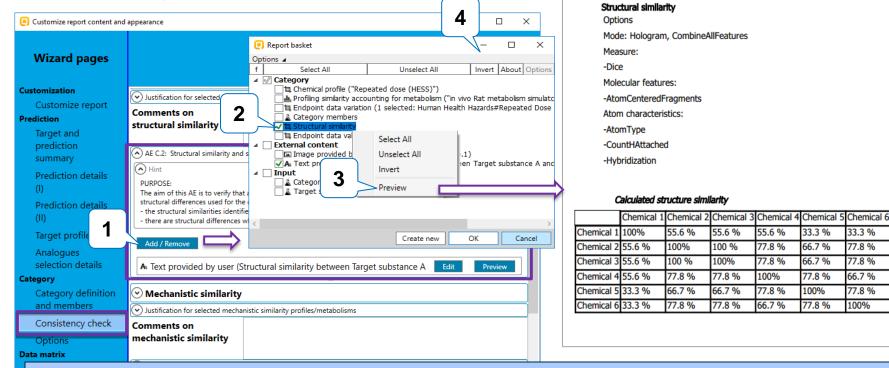
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• A consistency check section

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Wizard pages		Possible content of AE C.2: Structural similarity and structural differences within the category
Customization	Justification for selected structure similarity profilers	The structural similarity between the
Customize report	Comments on	· ·
Prediction	structural similarity	Target substance A and the five source
Target and prediction		substances (B, C, D, E and F) according
summary	AE C.2: Structural similarity and structural differences within the category	to Str. similarity profiler is in the range
Prediction details	Hint	of [33-78%]
(I)	PURPOSE:	
Prediction details	The aim of this AE is to verify that all category members indeed meet the criteria for structural similarities and allowed structural differences used for the category description. It has to be assessed whether:	• Target A and substances B, F have the
(II)	the structural similarities identified apply to all category members; and there are structural differences which are allowed within the category.	same reactivity pattern with respect to
Target profiles		the OFG profiler
Analogues	Add / Remove	• The source substances C and D have
selection details	© Mechanistic similarity	the same reactivity pattern as source E,
Category definition	Uustification for selected mechanistic similarity profiles/metabolisms	with one additional group: precursor
and members	Comments on	quinoid compound
Consistency check	mechanistic similarity	quinera compound
Options	♦ AE 4.2: Common underlying mechanism, qualitative aspects	
Data matrix	Additional endpoints	
Options	Tree position: Human Health Hazards#Repeated Dose Toxicity Data filters: V	
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• A consistency check section



Two additional items have to be added in order to support the textual information: A structural similarity item and an item with the results of the OFG profiler.

Click **Add/Remove** button (1) and check the *Structural similarity* item (2) which is stored in the *Report basket*. Right click and preview the item (3). A table providing structural similarity between each of the category members is shown (4).

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• A consistency check section

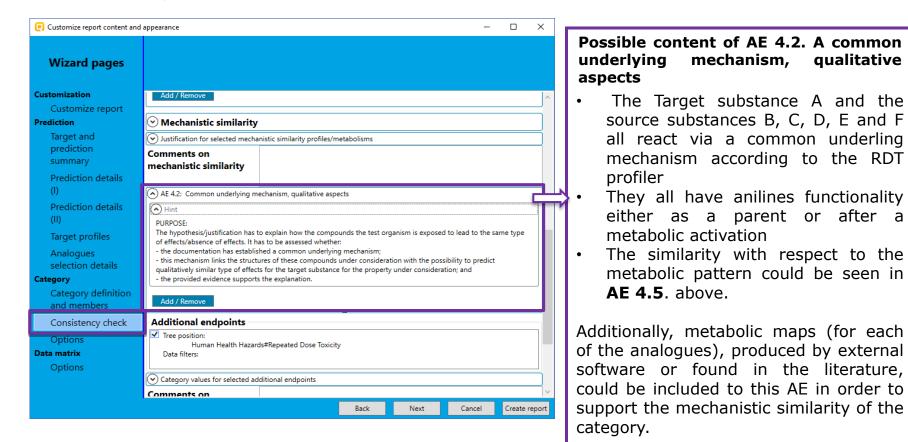
In order to create an item with the OFG profiling results click the *Create new* button (1), select Chemical profile (2) and click OK (3). Select Organic functional groups profiler from the drop-down menu (4) and confirm by OK.^{*}

*In the current example the category elements are not applied. If the consistency of the category is checked then this item will be automatically generated by the system.

The OECD QSAR Toolbox for Grouping Chemicals into Categories

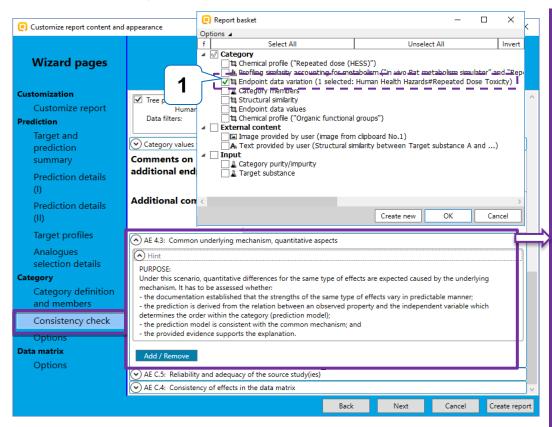
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Possible content of AE 4.3. A common underlying mechanism, quantitative aspects

- The target substance A and the five source substances have a common reactivity pattern.
- They all formed aniline functionality either as parents or as metabolites responsible for the toxicity effects
- Similar toxic effects observed in sources substances support the prediction for the target
- Toxic effects of all source substances and target are supported by the identified additional RDT data (references could be included).
- The range of variation of the LOEL experimental data for all category members is shown below:

After the last bullet include the Endpoint data variation item stored in the report basket (1).

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Prediction details	AF 4.3: Common underlying mechanism quantitative aspects	l
(11)	AE C.5: Reliability and adequacy of the source study(ies)	l
Target profiles		
Analogues	PURPOSE:	1
selection details	The source study needs to match the default REACH requirements in terms of reliability and adequacy as requested for	l
Category	any other key study. It has to be assessed whether: - the study design reported for the source study is adequate and reliable for the purpose of the prediction based on	i
Category definition	read-across:	
and members	the study design should cover the key parameters in the corresponding test method referred to in Article 13(3); the study design should cover an exposure duration comparable to or longer than the corresponding method referred	l
Consistency check	to in Article 13(3); and - there is adequate and reliable documentation of the applied test method, i.e. a robust study summary should be	l
Options	provided. The test material used represents the source substance as described in the hypothesis in terms of purity and	
Data matrix	impurities.	1
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	(♥) AE C.4: Consistency of effects in the data matrix	1
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Possible content of AE C.5: Reliability and adequacy of the source study(ies)

- The target substance has been tested according to test guideline 407
- All of the five source substances with one exception (substance E) has been tested based on test guideline 407: Repeated does 28day oral toxicity study in Rodents
- For the source substances E and B the study was based on report NTP Long term and OECD: Combined Repeated Dose Toxicity Study with the Reproduction/Developmental Toxicity Screening Test

A snapshot from *Filter points by test conditions* could be provided.

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• A consistency check section

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prediction summary Prediction details (I)	AE 4.3: Common underlying mechanism, quantitative aspects AE 4.5: Reliability and adequacy of the source study(ies) AE C.4: Consistency of effects in the data matrix	
Prediction details (II) Target profiles Analogues selection details Category Category definition	Hint PURPOSE: The category justification should include comparison of experimental data for the category members and a clear data matrix. It has to be assessed whether: - a data matrix has been provided which lists the category members in a suitable order versus their experimental data (e.g. for REACH information requirements) and which identifies data gaps; - the properties of category members across the data matrix are consistent in effects; this has to be assessed in the following dimensions: - within the specific property which is under consideration for the prediction; - between the property under consideration and related properties (e.g. between 28-day and 90-day repeated-	
and members Consistency check Options Data matrix Options	 between the property under consideration and related properties (e.g. between 28-day and 90-day repeated-dose toxicity studies; reproductive toxicity screening tests; and pre-natal developmental toxicity studies;): characteristics across all relevant properties (e.g. different reactivity towards genetic material may indicate different reactivity towards biological macromolecules which may influence the prediction for a 90-day repeated-dose toxicity study); the effects reported for the property under consideration differ in strength for the source substance and whether a basis for this difference is provided; and the underlying data support the provided conclusions and explanations. 	
	Add / Remove Back Next Cancel Create report	

Possible content of AE C.4: Consistency of effects in the data matrix

- The target substance A and the five source substances (B, C, D, E and F) show indication for a repeated dose effect especially for reduce red blood cell. The Total LOEL readacross prediction in this case is around 30 mg/kg bdw/day which classify the target chemical in the range of Category 2 according to GHS classification
- The latter is supported by the experimental data found for all of used source substances for the investigated endpoint and other similar properties

Here should be provided the data matrix snapshot or reference to the *Data matrix report*.

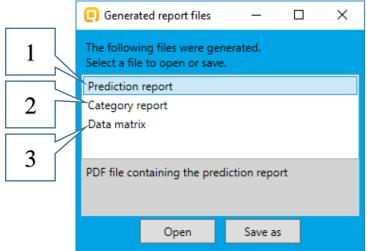
Report Report Generation

After the click on the Create report button, The *Generated report files* window appears. It contains three type of files:

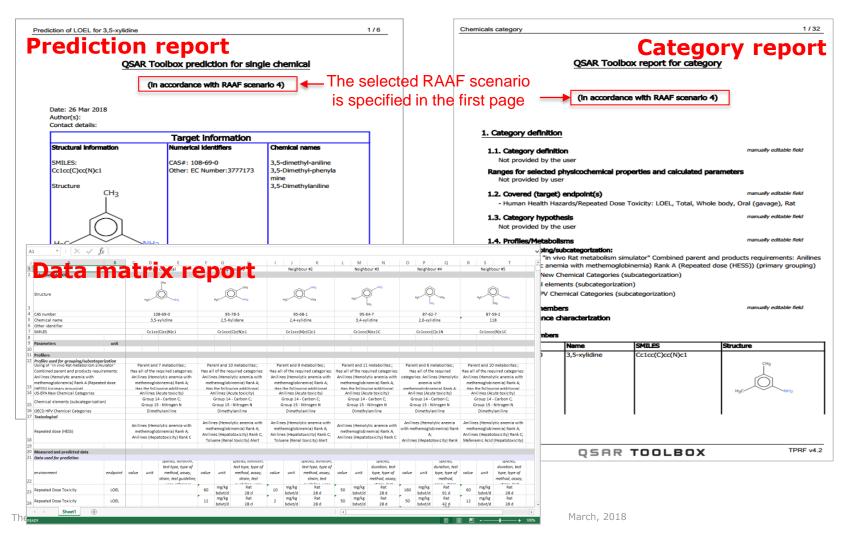
- **1) Prediction report** a PDF file containing the prediction information related to the target.
- 2) Category report a PDF file containing information for the consistency of the final category (target plus used analogues)
- **3) Data matrix** a MS Excel file containing chemicals used for prediction along with their data for selected parameters, profiles and endpoint tree positions.

RAAF AEs are included in the first two files.

All generated files should be provided when submit a prediction.



Report Generated report files



Congratulation

- You have now been introduced to the RAAF scenario;
- You have now been introduced to the *Report basket*.
- You have now been introduced to the AEs related to Scenario 4.
- Note proficiency comes with practice.