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## **special webinar for Ukraine:**

### **Science for Policy, Policy for Science**

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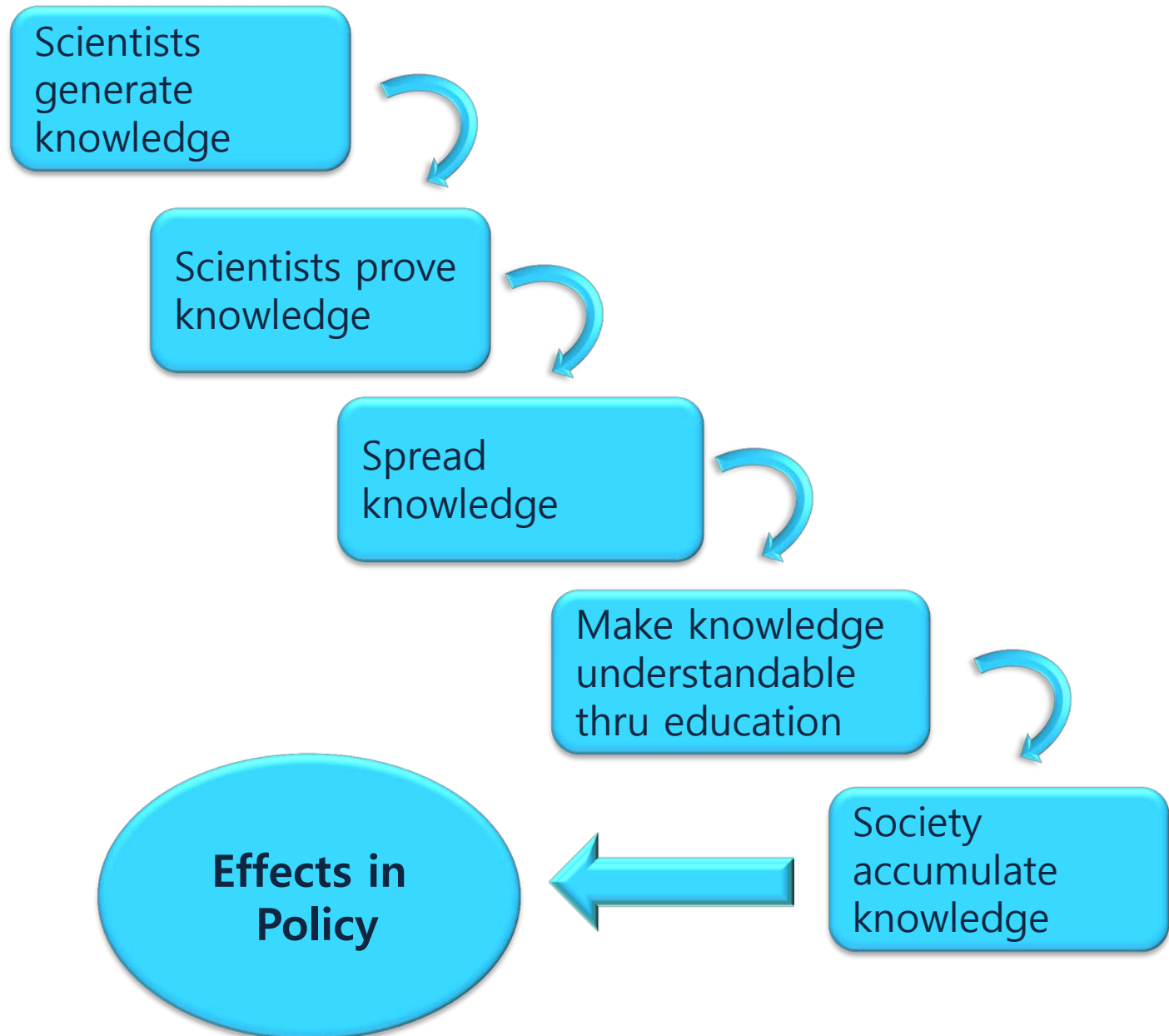
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# Science for Policy, Policy for Science



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# Alternative Methods in Ukraine



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## COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY

implementation of Chapter IV

(Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures)

of Chapter IV “Trade and Trade-Related Matters” of the Association  
Agreement between Ukraine, of the one part, and  
The European Union, the European Atomic Energy Community and  
their Member States, of the other part

### Section 1. PUBLIC HEALTH

The name of the event	EU Legislation	Term of preparation Year	Term of implemen- tation Year
67. Measures applied for the registration of plant protection products	<b>Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market</b>	2019	2020

**Commission Regulation (EU) No 284/2013** of 1 March 2013 set out the data requirements for plant protection products, following **Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009** of the European Parliament and the Council concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market

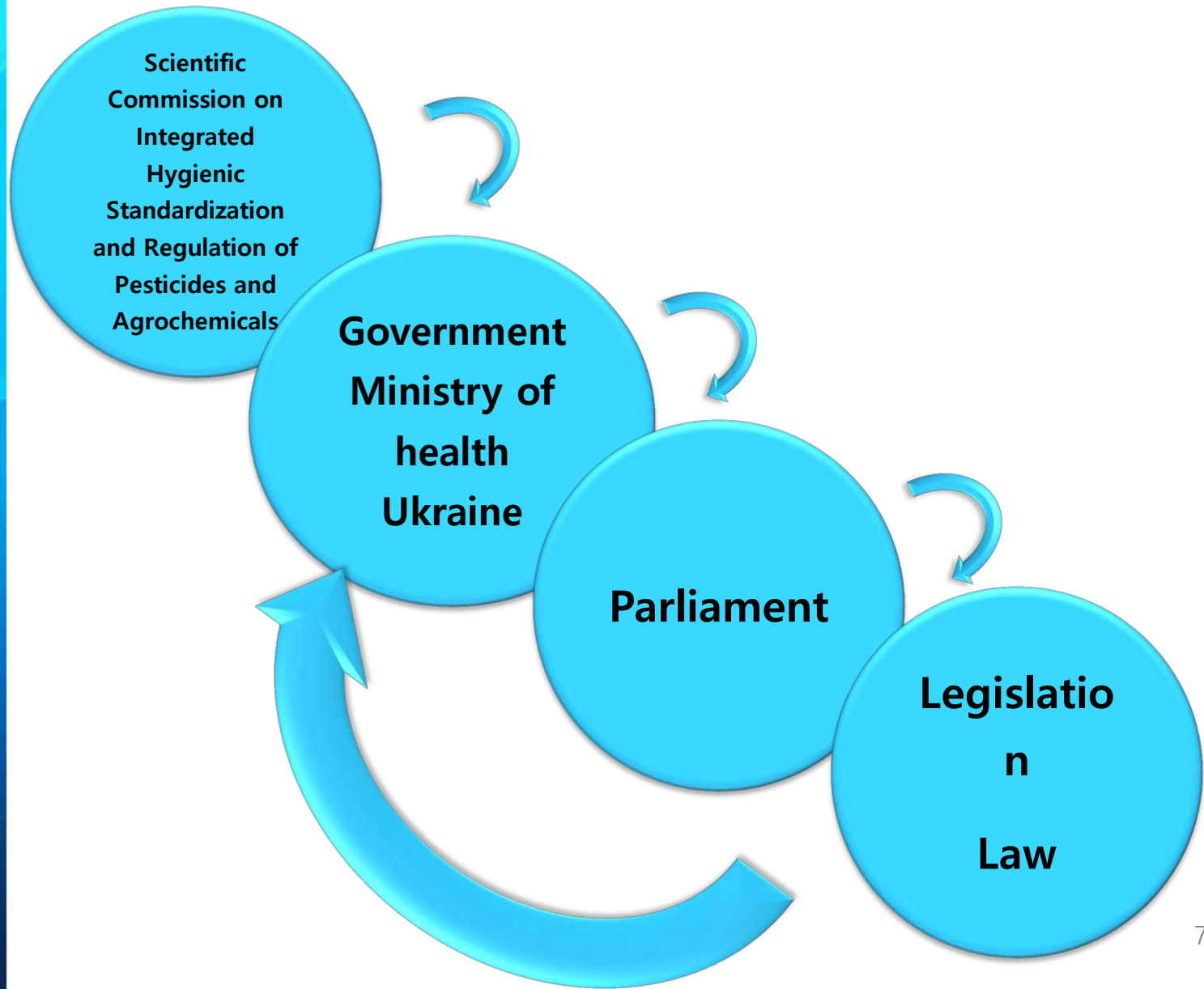
Commission Regulation (EU) No 284/2013 applied the following principles:

- tired approach in the testing
- priority is given to in vitro methods
- reduce animals in the studies

**All of this principles applied  
in Ukraine.**



# Process implementation of scientific knowledge



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# CABINET OF MINISTERS OF UKRAINE Decree

of January 20, 2021 № 65  
Kyiv

About approval of Technical  
regulations on cosmetic  
products

**It should come into force in August 2022  
(postponed)**

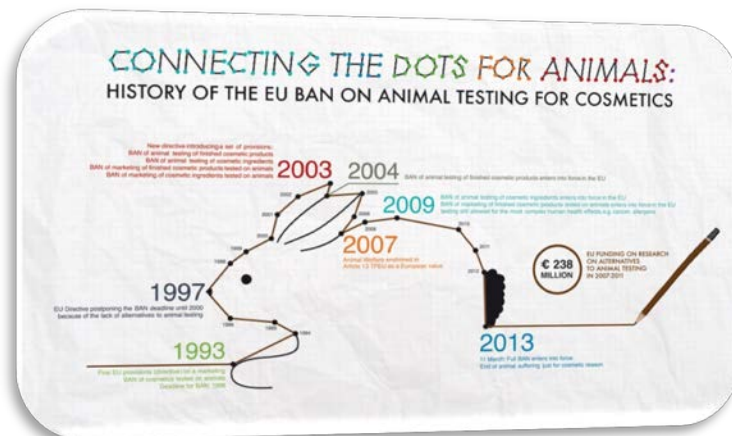


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# Regulation (EU) № 1223/2009 Of the European Parliament and of the Council of November 30, 2009 for cosmetic products replaces all other regulations acts and directives

## The EU has banned the test cosmetic products on animals from March 11, 2013



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# Implementation of European law in the Ukrainian legal field

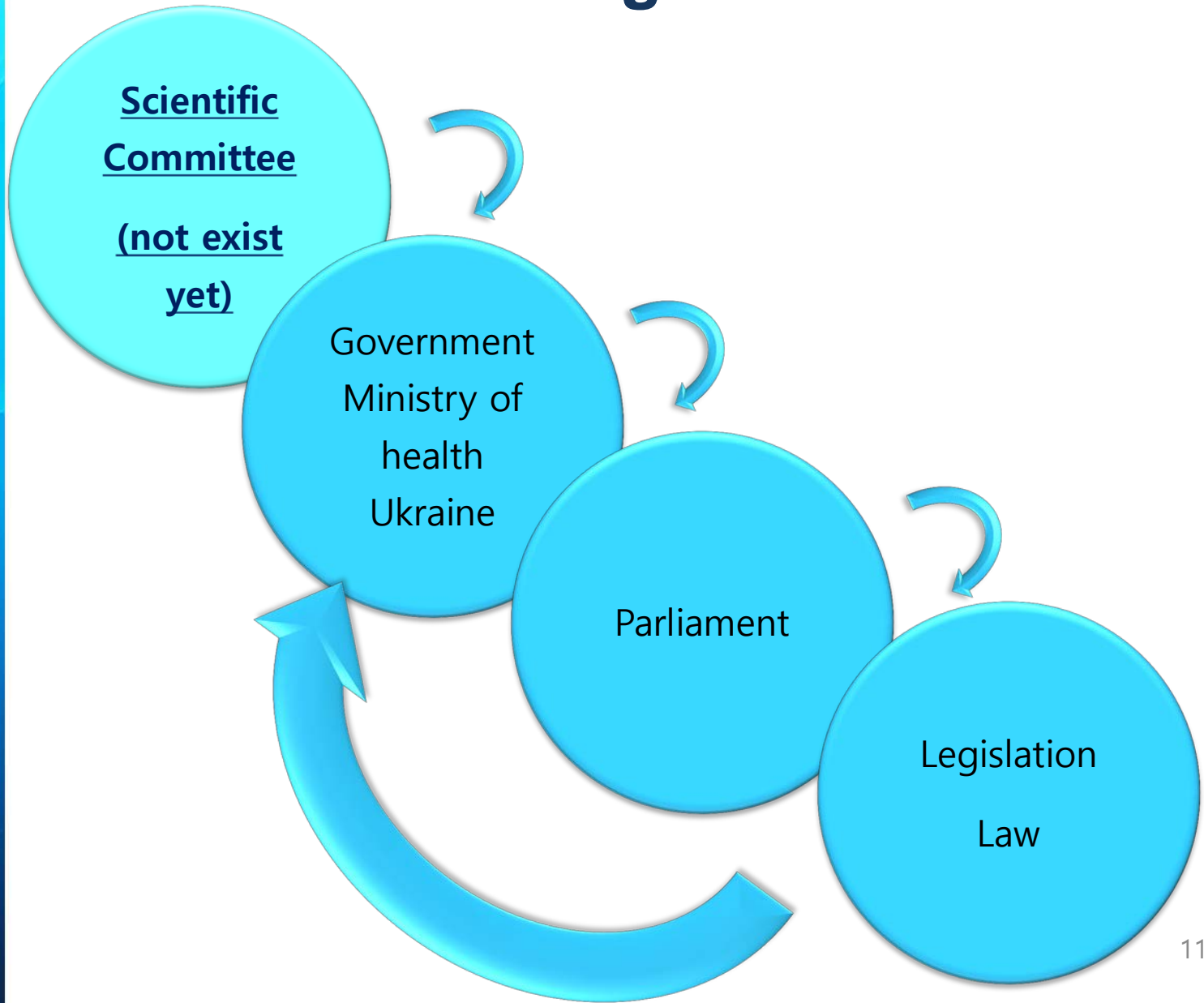


  
Regulation  
(EC)  
No 1223/2009

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# ECOHYNTOX ACCREDITATION



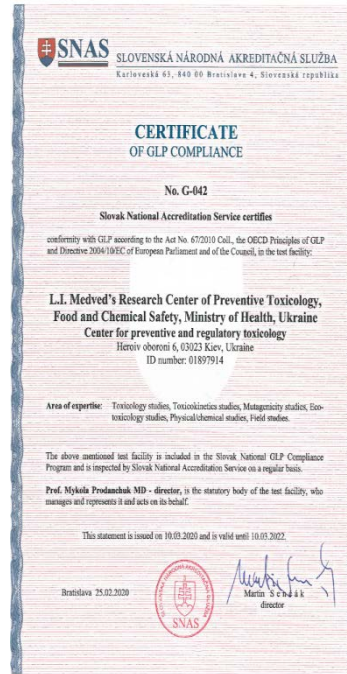
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ISO 17025 - 2006



1. Certificate of accreditation of National Accreditation Agency of Ukraine (NAAU) ISO/IEC 17025-2017 General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories
2. Certificate WHO TFI – 2007 Validation procedure of method of TFI in TobLabNet
3. Certificate of accreditation Slovak National Accreditation Service (SNAS) 11.08.2011 № G-042) GLP OECD up to 2022



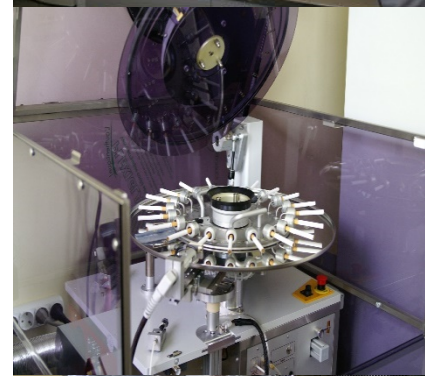
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## *Toxicological studies from $\alpha$ to $\Omega$*

*Full range of toxicological studies required for risk/ safety assessment of a wide range of chemicals, including:*

- Pesticides and agrochemicals;
- Biocides;
- Foods and chemicals in food;
- Cosmetics;
- Polymers and plastics;
- Industrial chemicals;
- Industrial emissions and sinks;
- Pharmaceuticals and medical products;
- Cigarettes and tobacco products;
- Veterinary medicines





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**U3RC**  
The Ukrainian 3Rs Center

# Ukrainian 3Rs Center

## The Ukrainian 3Rs Center. Mission, goal, results.

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### Introduction

At the beginning of 2020, on the initiative group of scientists who work in vitro and in silico toxicological fields Ukrainian 3Rs Center (UN3RC) was created. We invited a group of scientists who work in vivo toxicological field (DNT, DART, acute, subchronic, chronic toxicity) to be members of the UN3RC. The result of a collaboration between these two groups was the implementation of three in vitro methods (OECD 431, OECD 439, OECD 492) on a facilities L.L. Medved's Research Center of Preventive Toxicology, Food and Chemical Safety, Ministry of Health. It is the biggest and basic Toxicological Research Center in Ukraine.

We have tested dozens of pesticides (technical substances) and all substances on the list for the proficiency tests. You can find some results of our study in Table 1.

Table 1. In vitro eye irritation test results

#	Testing Substances	Content	Results		Classifica- tion in vitro	Classification in vivo (reference method), with some GLP laboratory
			Mean Irritability	DT50 (min)		
1	Achlorfenox	Achlorfenox 80%	14	0.17	NI	NI
2	Mixture 1	100 g/l Ioxalate + 100 g/l Thiocarbonyl	33	0.81	1	1
3	Mixture 2	70 g/l Propiconazole + 100 g/l Fluazinam + 75 g/l Fenoxolan	19	0.21	1	1
4	Mixture 3	100 g/l Fenoxolan	19	0.21	NI	NI
5	Mixture 4	95.00%	117	0.45	NI	NI
6	Mixture 5	95.00%	84.9	0.27	NI	NI
7	Mixture 6	95.00%	494	0.47	NI	NI
8	Mixture 7	95.00%	461	0.26	1	1
9	Mixture 8	95.00%	113	0.36	1	1
10	Mixture 9	95.00%	151	0.36	1	1
11	Mixture 10	95.00%	80.9	0.26	NI	NI
12	Mixture 11	95.00%	109.8	0.22	NI	NI
13	Mixture 12	95.00%	102.8	0.45	NI	NI

### Discussion

These additional facts are important to implementing alternative methods, reducing animal use and comparability of in vitro results with animal data special during reregistration of pesticides. These activities will help save the lives of 120 animals annually. The application of in vitro method is one step to GHS implementation in Ukraine. Seeing, The Ukrainian national pesticides health hazard classification system (UAC) is in place and it is solely based on results of in vivo studies. The main challenge encountered was the lack of a regulatory basis for alternative methods application and interpretation of the results for classification in accordance with UAC [1-5]. As the application of in vitro method to meet different criteria set in GHS and UAC will require additional research and validation of other in vitro criteria of mentioned methods, it is obvious that implementation of GHS in Ukraine is the fastest and most efficient way to enable the application of already validated in vitro methods. Table 2.

Another positive fact of implementing the in vitro tests made it possible to adopt a new Regulation of Cosmetics in Ukraine. According to this legislation, testing cosmetics on animals is forbidden. This law will be in force in August 2022.

The 3R principles should be understandable and actively promote among involved persons and the society. The best way to achieve this goal is through education. Module "The alternative methods. 3R principles" was included in Toxicological Course at The National University of Food Technologies. Their participants are future technologists of cosmetics products. Also, it is a part of a Toxicology Course for specialist (people from the government, industry, regulators, scientists)

We strongly believe that only collaboration that mode gives the effective way to use alternative methods like in vitro and in silico, which relate to the first postulate of 3Rs principles. But, in some study where animals strongly involved and methods mentioned above are far from the full implementation (such as DNT, DART, Chronic Toxicity Tests etc) should be used the other two postulates (Reduction and Refinement) and methods which support them. In this case, people who closely work in these areas (DNT, DART, Chronic Toxicity Tests etc) and has knowledge in alternative methods can realise it more effective and create new approaches.



### Material and Methods

In these studies, three in vitro tests was used: skin irritation test, skin corrosion test and eye irritation test using human reconstructed tissues EpiDerm TM and EpiOcular TM. Each test was performed according to OECD TGs 439, 431 and 492, respectively [4-6]. Conclusions made according to the results obtained in this in vitro study coincide with conclusions made from in vivo tests from our archive data [7,8]. All tests were carried out at facilities L.L. Medved's Research Center at the GLP laboratories.

Method	Reference method	Advantages	Disadvantages
OECD 431	OECD 431	Highly sensitive	Time consuming
OECD 439	OECD 439	Highly sensitive	Time consuming
OECD 492	OECD 492	Highly sensitive	Time consuming

### Conclusion

The Ukrainian 3Rs Center is a platform for popularisation and implementing alternative methods and promotes 3Rs principles. It is a tool for communication between professionals in government, industry and science, who can impact legislation to protect animals and, on a legislative level, accept and oblige to use alternative methods.

The U3RC, with strong collaboration with the Ukrainian Society of Toxicologist will create an education centre to promote Replacement, Reduction and Refinement Methods of animal use. Young scientists and professionals will be educating in Alternative Test Methods for further implementation.

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