

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

Table SI. Data on excluded studies^a

Study Design	Process	Exposure period	Asthma Cases	Person-years	Average TDI Level (ppb)	Study References ^c
case-series	R&D	1962-1963	4	148.5	NR	1, 2
case-series	production	1957-1974	3	1000	NR	3
case-control	production	1979-1990	27	NA	1.3	4
cross-sectional	PUR foam	NR	4	NR	0.95	5
cross-sectional	mixed industries	NR	8	NR	3.5	6
cross-sectional	steel coatings	1971-1979	21	1242	NR	7
cross-sectional	PUR foam	1996-2014	NR	289	2.1	8
cross-sectional	PUR foam	1971-1992	1	NR	160	9
cross-sectional	TDI-base adhesive	1984-1985	14	25.9	29	10
cross-sectional	TDI-based varnish	1988-1989	7	353	58	11
cross-sectional	PUR foam	1975-1978	15	426	50	12
cross-sectional	R&D	1957-1967	26	146	29	13
cross-sectional	production	1978-1991	3	92	20	14 ^b
longitudinal	production	1961-1971	124	2412	NR	15
longitudinal	PUR foam	1972-1976	NR	NR	3.0	16
longitudinal	PUR foam	2010-2011	NR	42	0.10	17
longitudinal	PUR foam	1954-1955	8	25	NR	18

a. Some data were not explicitly reported; therefore, values may be estimated from available information.

b. The next available study for inclusion (This study is on the boundary of inclusion criteria).

c. List of excluded studies:

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16. Wegman DH, Musk AW, Main DM, Pagnotto LD. Accelerated loss of FEV-1 in polyurethane production workers: A four-year prospective study. *Am J Ind Med*. 1982;3(2):209-215.
17. Gui W, Wisnewski AV, Neamtiu I, et al. Inception cohort study of workers exposed to toluene diisocyanate at a polyurethane foam factory: initial one-year follow-up. *Am J Ind Med*. 2014;57(11):1207-1215.
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Abbreviations: NR, not reported or estimable; PUR, polyurethane; R&D, research and development; TDI, toluene diisocyanate

Table SII. Benchmark dose modeling results (BMR=0.01) for longitudinal studies selection ($n=5$)

Model	TDI (ppb)		Goodness-of-fit (p-value)	AIC
	BMD	BMDL ^a		
Quadratic	6.32	4.17	0.22	1034.44
Logistic	6.20	3.94	0.22	1034.48
Probit	6.27	3.89	0.22	1034.48
quantal-linear	6.65	2.93	0.21	1034.52
no intercept, LQ	3.58	2.56	0.20	1034.72
Gamma	5.54	2.74	0.11	1036.38
log-logistic	5.48	2.96	0.11	1036.39
log-probit	5.45	2.74	0.11	1036.39
Weibull	5.45	2.96	0.11	1036.39

a. 95% lower confidence level on dose for a 1% change in response level (i.e., BMD).

Abbreviations: BMD, benchmark dose (in this case annual average TDI concentration); BMDL, lower 95% confidence interval on the benchmark dose; LQ, linear-quadratic.

Table SIII. Benchmark dose modeling results (BMR=0.01) for naïve studies selection ($n=4$)

Model	TDI (ppb)		Goodness-of-fit (p-value)	AIC
	BMD	BMDL ^a		
Quadratic	4.98	3.61	0.32	510.71
Logistic	4.69	3.70	0.31	510.75
Probit	4.69	3.65	0.31	510.75
quantal-linear	4.17	3.05	0.29	510.90
Gamma	4.93	3.08	0.14	512.64
log-logistic	4.91	3.04	0.14	512.65
log-probit	4.97	3.04	0.15	512.62
Weibull	4.91	3.08	0.14	512.65

b. 95% lower confidence level on dose for a 1% change in response level (i.e., BMD).

Abbreviations: BMD, benchmark dose (in this case annual average TDI concentration); BMDL, lower 95% confidence interval on the benchmark dose; LQ, linear-quadratic.