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# **Response Health Council to comments draft report Tin and selected inorganic tin compounds**

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## 1 Response to comments NIOSH (a)

*On November 8<sup>th</sup>, the Health Council sent a letter to the NIOSH in response to the comments on the draft report on Tin and selected inorganic tin compounds. The response is cited below.*

Dear dr Van Buren,

Thank you for accepting the invitation to comment on the draft report 'Tin and selected inorganic tin compounds', that the Health Council published for public review in June 2022. On behalf of The Council's Subcommittee on the Classification of Substances Toxic to Reproduction, I send you a response on your comments.

The Committee appreciates your thorough review of the report, and is pleased that you support the Committee's recommendations. Several textual suggestions you made have improved the report. Also, several additional epidemiological studies you suggested have been included in the final version of the advisory report.

## 2 Response to comments NIOSH (b)

*On November 8<sup>th</sup>, the Health Council sent a letter to the NIOSH in response to the comments on the draft report on Tin and selected inorganic tin compounds. The response is cited below.*

Dear dr Sager,

Thank you for accepting the invitation to comment on the draft report 'Tin and selected inorganic tin compounds', that the Health Council published for public review in June 2022. On behalf of The Council's Subcommittee on the Classification of Substances Toxic to Reproduction, I send you a response on your comments.

The Committee appreciates your thorough review of the report, and is pleased that you support the Committee's recommendations.

You made several textual suggestions which improved the report. In your general comment, you suggest reviewing more studies mimicking occupational exposure scenarios. The Committee notes the importance of the occupational setting for exposure to tin and inorganic tin compounds. However, very limited data are available on effects on reproduction and occupational exposure. Furthermore, for classification purposes, considerations on exposure levels are not taken into account.

With regard to your suggestion to revise or clarify the title of the section "Adverse effects on sexual function and fertility", the Committee notes that this description is generally used in the EU for reports on classification, and is therefore maintained in the advisory report.