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	QMRF Title: QSAR for abiotic degradation in air
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1. QSAR identifier

1.1. QSAR identifier (title):

QSAR for abiotic degradation in air

1.2. Other related models:

1.3. Software coding the model:

QSARModel 4.0.4

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2. General information

2.1. Date of QMRF:

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2.6. Date of model development and/or publication:

28.04.2010

2.7. Reference(s) to main scientific papers and/or software package:

[1] Karelson M, Dobchev D, Tamm T, Tulp I, Jänes J, Tämm K, Lomaka A, Savchenko D & Karelson G (2008). Correlation of blood-brain penetration and human serum albumin binding with theoretical descriptors. ARKIVOC 16, 38-60.

[2] Karelson M, Karelson G, Tamm T, Tulp I, Jänes J, Tämm K, Lomaka A, Savchenko D & Dobchev D (2009). QSAR study of pharmacological permeabilities. ARKIVOC 2, 218-238.

2.8. Availability of information about the model:

Training, selection and test sets are available. Algorithm is defined.

2.9. Availability of another QMRF for exactly the same model:

None to date.

3. Defining the endpoint - OECD Principle 1

3.1. Species:

3.2. Endpoint:

2. Environmental fate parameters 2.2.a. Persistence: Abiotic degradation in air

3.3. Comment on endpoint:

The half-life is the time required for the concentration of a substance to halve its original value in a particular environmental medium. The half-lives of organic compounds are among the most commonly used

criteria for studying persistence [sect.9.2;ref.1]. The semi-quantitative data based on expert judgment and actual experimental values have already been suggested by Webster et al. [sect.9.2;ref.2] as preferable for half life identification, and are commonly used to develop widely applied multimedia models [sect.9.2;ref.3,4]. In addition, a simple QSPR regression model has been demonstrated to be a useful tool for the identification and prioritization of existing or not yet synthesized potential persistent organic pollutants [sect.9.2;ref.5].

3.4.Endpoint units:

The half-life values (55-55000 h) were transformed into logarithmic form for modelling.

3.5.Dependent variable:

$\log T(0.5)$

3.6.Experimental protocol:

3.7.Endpoint data quality and variability:

The dataset includes 250 organic compounds of known half-lives for transformation in air [sect.9.2;ref.6]. The dataset is structurally heterogeneous and highly representative of many classes of already defined problematic chemicals. A collection of experimental data from different labs were used. Semi-quantitative degradation half lives in air were organized in nine half-life categories.

Statistics: max value: 4.74; min value: 0.699; standard deviation: 0.832; skewness: 1.02.

4.Defining the algorithm - OECD Principle 2

4.1.Type of model:

QSAR

4.2.Explicit algorithm:

Multilinear regression QSAR

Multilinear regression QSAR derived by the BMLR (Best Multiple Linear Regression) method

$\log T(0.5) = 0.273$

$-0.364 \cdot \text{HOMO energy (AM1)}$

$-0.219 \cdot \text{Min valency (AM1) for O atoms}$

$-4.085 \cdot \text{Relative number of H atoms}$

$+3.955 \cdot 10^{-2} \cdot \text{count of H-donor sites (AM1)}$

$-0.307 \cdot \text{Square root of Charged (AM1) Surface Area of N atoms}$

4.3.Descriptors in the model:

[1]HOMO energy (AM1) eV Energy of highest occupied molecular orbital energy

[2]Min valency (AM1) for O atoms unitless minimum valency on oxygen atoms

[3]Relative number of H atoms unitless Relative number of H atoms

[4]count of H-donor sites (AM1) unitless count of H-donor sites (AM1)

4.4.Descriptor selection:

Initial pool of ~1000 descriptors. Stepwise descriptor selection based on a set of statistical selection rules:

a) one-parameter equations: Fisher criterion and R^2 over

threshold, variance and t-test value over threshold, intercorrelation

with another descriptor not over threshold.

b) two-parameter equations: intercorrelation coefficient below threshold, significant correlation with endpoint, in terms of correlation coefficient and t-test).

Stepwise trial of additional descriptors not significantly correlated to any already in the model.

4.5. Algorithm and descriptor generation:

1D, 2D, and 3D theoretical calculations. Quantum chemical descriptors derived from AM1 calculation. Model developed by using multilinear regression.

4.6. Software name and version for descriptor generation:

QSARModel 4.0.4

QSAR/QSPR package that will compute chemically meaningful descriptors and includes statistical tools for regression modeling

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4.7. Chemicals/Descriptors ratio:

33.4 (167 chemicals / 5 descriptors)

5. Defining the applicability domain - OECD Principle 3

5.1. Description of the applicability domain of the model:

Applicability domain based on training set:

a) by chemical identity: diverse set of organic pollutants

(aromatic, aliphatic and cyclic amines, ketones, alcohols, esters, etc)

b) by descriptor value range: The model is suitable for compounds that have the descriptors in the following minimal-maximal ranges:

HOMO energy (AM1): -12.2 - -7.92

Min valency (AM1) for O atoms: 0 - 2.39

Relative number of H atoms: 0.00 - 0.70

count of H-donor sites (AM1) : 0.00 - 19.0

Square root of Charged (AM1) Surface Area of N atoms: 0.00 - 3.60

5.2. Method used to assess the applicability domain:

Range of descriptor values in training set with $\pm 30\%$ confidence.

Descriptor values must fall between maximal and minimal descriptor values of training set $\pm 30\%$.

5.3. Software name and version for applicability domain assessment:

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5.4. Limits of applicability:

See 5.1

6. Internal validation - OECD Principle 4

6.1. Availability of the training set:

Yes

6.2. Available information for the training set:

CAS RN: Yes

Chemical Name: Yes

Smiles: No

Formula: Yes

INChI: No

MOL file: Yes

6.3. Data for each descriptor variable for the training set:

All

6.4. Data for the dependent variable for the training set:

All

6.5. Other information about the training set:

167 data points: 0 negative values; 167 positive values

6.6. Pre-processing of data before modelling:

6.7. Statistics for goodness-of-fit:

$R^2 = 0.714$ (Correlation coefficient)

$s_2 = 0.453$ (Standard error of the estimate)

$F = 80.3$ (Fisher function)

6.8. Robustness - Statistics obtained by leave-one-out cross-validation:

$R^2_{CV} = 0.692$

6.9. Robustness - Statistics obtained by leave-many-out cross-validation:

$R^2_{CVM0} = 0.689$

6.10. Robustness - Statistics obtained by Y-scrambling:

6.11. Robustness - Statistics obtained by bootstrap:

6.12. Robustness - Statistics obtained by other methods:

ABC analysis (2:1 training : prediction) on sorted (in increasing order of endpoint value) data divided into 3 subsets (A;B;C). Training set formed with 2/3 of the compounds (set A+B, A+C, B+C) and validation set consisted of 1/3 of the compounds (C, B, A).

average $R^2(\text{fitting}) = 0.717$

average $R^2(\text{prediction}) = 0.660$

7. External validation - OECD Principle 4

7.1. Availability of the external validation set:

Yes

7.2. Available information for the external validation set:

CAS RN: Yes

Chemical Name: Yes

Smiles: No

Formula: Yes

INChI: No

MOL file: Yes

7.3.Data for each descriptor variable for the external validation set:

All

7.4.Data for the dependent variable for the external validation set:

All

7.5.Other information about the external validation set:

83 data points: 0 negative values; 83 positive values

7.6.Experimental design of test set:

From sorted source data, each 3rd was subjected to the test set

7.7.Predictivity - Statistics obtained by external validation:

$R^2 = 0.602$ (Coefficient of determination)

7.8.Predictivity - Assessment of the external validation set:

Two compounds were left out because their descriptor "Square root of Charged (AM1) Surface Area of N atoms" values did not fit in the domain.

These compounds are: 2,4-dinitrotoluene (CAS:

121-14-2)4,6-dinitro-o-cresol (CAS: 534-52-1)

The rest are in range of applicability domain:

HOMO energy (AM1): -12.4 - -7.86

Min valency (AM1) for O atoms: 1.80 - 2.29

Relative number of H atoms: 0.0455 - 0.706

count of H-donor sites (AM1) : 0.00 - 21.0

Square root of Charged (AM1) Surface Area of N atoms: 0.00 - 3.70

7.9.Comments on the external validation of the model:

The validation coefficient of determination (R^2) is significant and close to the coefficients of internal validation (R^2_{CV} and R^2_{CVMO}).

8.Providing a mechanistic interpretation - OECD Principle 5**8.1.Mechanistic basis of the model:**

"HOMO energy (AM1)" reflects an ionization potential of molecule.

"Relative number of H atoms" indirectly shows a magnitude of unsaturated bonds (including aromaticity). A smaller number of hydrogens in carbon chain indicates larger content of unsaturated bonds. These bonds include p-orbitals which are important for carbon chain degradation. Hydrogen bonding capability is covered by the descriptor "count of H-donor sites (AM1)". Others atom specific descriptors reflect the reactivity of these heteroatom sites.

8.2.A priori or a posteriori mechanistic interpretation:

A posteriori mechanistic interpretation, consistent with published scientific interpretations of experiments [sect.9.2; ref.5].

8.3.Other information about the mechanistic interpretation:**9.Miscellaneous information****9.1.Comments:**

The data were gathered from the Physical-Chemical Properties and Environmental Fate Handbook [sect.9.2; ref.6], which includes data from different sources. Therefore the experimental protocol cannot be provided.

The data were also semi-quantitatively classified as proposed by Webster et al [sect.9.2; ref.2].

9.2. Bibliography:

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9.3. Supporting information:

Abiotic degradation air training_167.sdf	http://qsardb.jrc.ec.europa.eu/qmrf/protocol/Q13-22a-0034/attachment/A694
Abiotic degradation air test_83.sdf	http://qsardb.jrc.ec.europa.eu/qmrf/protocol/Q13-22a-0034/attachment/A695

Test set(s)

10. Summary (JRC QSAR Model Database)

10.1. QMRF number:

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10.3. Keywords:

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10.4. Comments:

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