

ZEBET as a National Body for Alternative Methods

The German Chemical Industry Perspective

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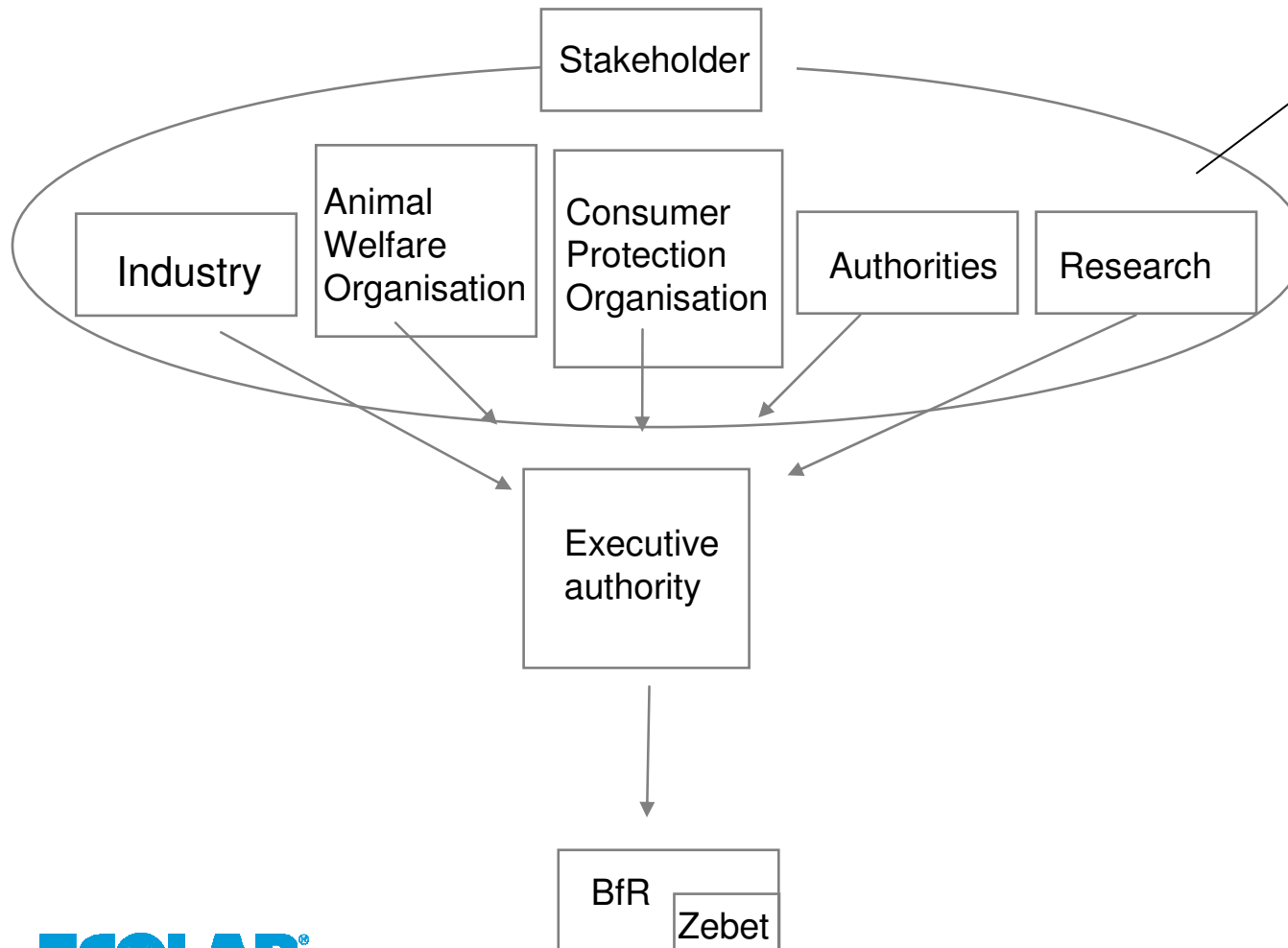
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ZEBET Commission Advisory Role

Consumer Protection

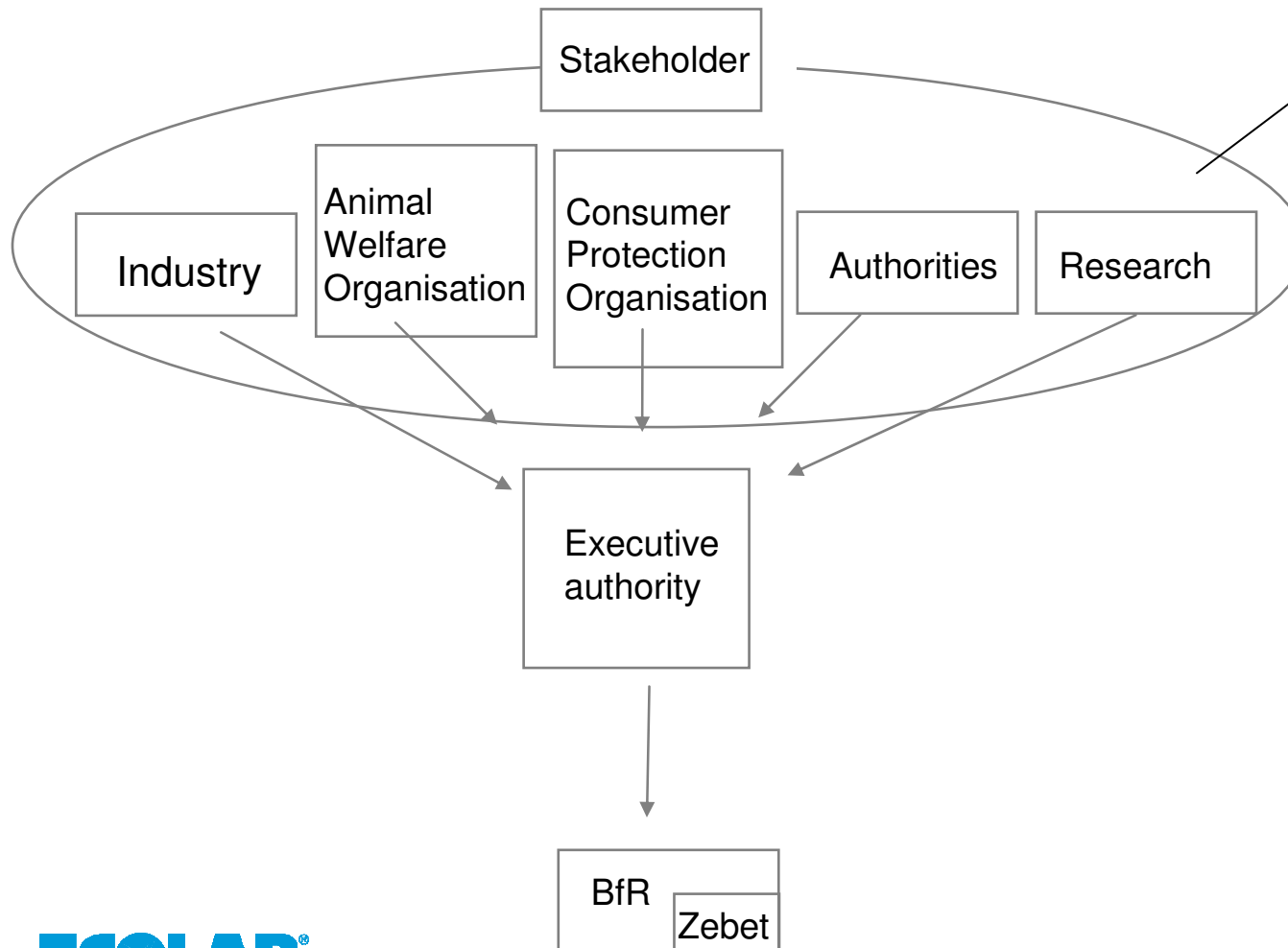
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Drivers for the work of ZEBET

▲ Overall objective and mission

▲ Key deliverables ←

▲ Core Processes

▲ Enablers

**Stakeholder /
ZEBET Commission
Input**

Industry Survey on ZEBET Deliverables

(as of March 2007)

Industry Sectors

- ▲ Cosmetics
- ▲ Detergents
- ▲ Pharmaceuticals
- ▲ Agro-chemicals
- ▲ Speciality Chemicals
- ▲ Commodity chemicals



Strategy Map for ZEBET

The Chemical Industry Perspective

ZEBET Objective	Sound scientific advice and support for executive authorities and stakeholders			
ZEBET Deliverables	3 R methods accepted for Hazard- und risk assessment	Risk assessment concepts	Consultancy, Knowledge Transfer	Knock-on Research Funding
Core Processes	Method development/ Research	Validations	Evaluations on methodology	Risk assessment
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Risk Assessment for REACh

30000 Chemical Substances



Hazard Identification

Hazard Assessment

Exposure Assessment

Risk Characterisation



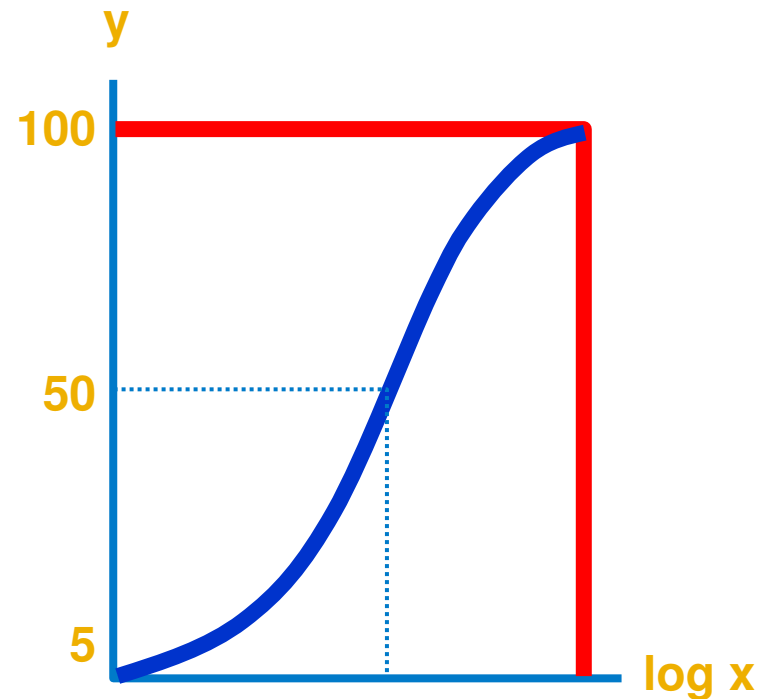
38 Mio. Experimental animals

(EU Joint Research Center, 2006)

Threshold of Toxicological Concern

Statistical approach

For y % of all substances,
pooled in a metaanalysis
no-adverse-effects are
below a dose x



Lit: ECETOC, 2003; Kroes et al, 2004;
Ford et al, 2000; Cheeseman et al, 1999

For exposures below the TTC no systemic toxicity data are required

Endpoint specific reduction requirements for experimental animals

Acute toxicity	6	Skin sensitization	16
Skin irritation / corrosion	3	Mutagenicity in vivo	40
Eye irritation	3	Cumulative toxicity	80 (40)
Mutagenicity in vitro	0	Reproductive Toxicity	2600
		Cancerogenicity	400

Threshold of Toxicological Concern Saving Options

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Total saving option per substance (number of animals)		12	3080

Expert judgement / Weight-of-Evidence-Approach - Impact

Experience from the US-HPV programme

Hazard assessments based on	Human Health	Environmental Effects
Studies	56 %	65 %
Expert Judgements	44 %	35 %

Risk Assessment for REACH integrating TTC / WoE

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Waiving Options

9 Mio. Experimental animals

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On behalf of the German Chemical Industry

Happy

Birthday !

...to ZEBET

**... for a 20-year-long
successful engagement
in the development
of 3R approaches**

Keep in mind:

**Only with integration of risk
assessment strategies
we can make a substantial
break-through for the 3R
concept**

Thank you for your attention!

