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## REACH update: Exemption status for uses of certain QIAGEN products

Dear valued customer,

European regulation REACH (EC 1907/2006) controls the registration, evaluation, authorization and restriction of chemicals. In this regulation, substances of very high concern (SVHC) are identified in the Candidate List and finalized in the Authorization List (Annex XIV). UK REACH, a regulation with the same key principles, came into effect on Jan 1, 2021. QIAGEN is committed to complying with EU REACH and UK REACH regulations and providing our partners and customers with relevant product information and safety data.

Nonylphenol ethoxylates (NPE) and octylphenol ethoxylates (OPE), such as Triton X-100 and NP-40, have been added to Annex XIV, and the relevant safety information is included in the Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for QIAGEN products containing these substances.

Further use of these substances, on their own or in a mixture, at a concentration of >0.1%, is permitted in the EU and UK if the use is subject to a scientific research and development exemption according to Article 56(3). Therefore, use under controlled conditions is exempted for scientific experimentation, analysis, chemical research and in vitro diagnostics with an OPE or NPE volume of <1 ton/year per legal entity. This exemption will ensure your continued use of QIAGEN products containing OPE and NPE in the EU and the UK.

Please consult the [REACH website](#), if you are in the EU, or [legislation.gov.uk](#), if you are in the UK, for updated information regarding REACH regulations and the SDS for safety information of the QIAGEN products you use. You can find the SDS for QIAGEN products at [qiagen.com/safety](#) or under the "Resources" tab of the relevant product page on [qiagen.com](#).

We are carefully evaluating use of OPE and NPE in our products and are committed to providing substitutions or alternatives where appropriate for our customers. If you have any questions concerning the use of NPE and OPE in QIAGEN products, please contact your local representative or QIAGEN Technical Services.

Best regards,

Your QIAGEN Team