

UNDERSTANDING THE TOXIC POTENCIES OF XENOBIOTICS INDUCING  
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In the present study, the toxic potencies of xenobiotics such as halogenated aromatic hydrocarbons inducing 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-*p*-dioxin/2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzofuran (TCDD/TCDF)-like effects were investigated by quantitative structure-toxicity relationships using their aryl hydrocarbon receptor (AhR) binding affinity data. The descriptor pool was created using SPARTAN 10, DRAGON 6.0 and ADMET 8.0 software and the descriptors were selected using QSARINS (v.2.2.1) software. Data sets were divided into training and test sets. The training sets were comprised of 81% of the complete data set for both models. The generated models for AhR of chemicals with TCDD/F-like effects were internally and externally validated in line with the Organization of Economic Co-operation and Development principles. TCDD-based model had six descriptors from DRAGON 6.0 and ADMET 8.0. TCDF-based model had seven descriptors from DRAGON 6.0. These descriptors were from various blocks including Weighted Holistic Invariant Molecular, Moriguchi Descriptors, and 2D and 3D descriptors blocks. The predictive ability of the generated models was tested for about 1000 diverse group of chemicals from polychlorinated/brominated biphenyls, dioxins/furans, ethers, polyaromatic hydrocarbons with fused heterocyclic rings (i.e. phenoxathiins, thianthrenes and dibenzothiophenes), and polyaromatic hydrocarbons (i.e. halogenated naphthalenes and phenanthrenes) with no AhR data. For the external set chemicals, the structural coverage of the generated models was 95.55% and 89.37% for TCDD/F-like chemicals, respectively.

## TCDD/F BENZERİ ETKİ GÖSTEREN KSENOBİYOTİKLERİN TOKSİK ETKİLERİNİ ANLAMA

Bu çalışmada, 2,3,7,8-tetraklorodibenzo-*p*-dioxin/2,3,7,8-tetraklorodibenzofuran (TCDD/TCDF)-benzeri etkiler gösteren halojenlenmiş aromatik hidrokarbonların toksik etkileri kantitatif yapı-toksisite ilişkileri ile incelenmiştir. Bu doğrultuda, bu kimyasalların Aril Hidrokarbon Reseptörü'ne (AhR) bağlanma afinitelerinden yararlanılmıştır. Modellerde kullanılan tanımlayıcılar SPARTAN 10, DRAGON 6.0 ve ADMET 8.0 yazılımları kullanılarak oluşturulmuş ve tanımlayıcı seçimi QSARINS (v.2.2.1) yazılımı kullanılarak yapılmıştır. Veri setleri, eğitim ve test setlerine ayrılmıştır. Eğitim setleri, her iki modelde de veri setlerinin % 81'inden oluşmuştur. Oluşturulan modeller, Ekonomik İşbirliği ve Kalkınma Örgütü'nün belirlediği ilkelere uygun olacak şekilde dâhili ve harici olarak doğrulanmıştır. TCDD'ye göre normalize edilen veri setinin modeli, DRAGON 6.0 ve ADMET 8.0'dan elde edilen altı tanımlayıcıdır. TCDF'e göre normalize edilmiş veri setinin modeli ise DRAGON 6.0 yazılımından elde edilen yedi tanımlayıcıdan oluşmuştur. Bu tanımlayıcılar, Ağırlıklı Bütünsel Yapıya Bağlı Değişkenlik gösteren tanımlayıcılar, Moriguchi tanımlayıcıları, ve de iki ve üç boyutlu tanımlayıcı bloklarını içeren çeşitli bloklardan oluşmuştur. Elde edilen modellerin tahmin performansı, naftalin, fenantren gibi poliaromatik hidrokarbonlar (PAH), poliklorlu/bromlu bifeniller, dioksinler/furanlar, eterler, phenoksatiner, tiantrenler ve dibenzotiofenler gibi heterosiklik halka içeren bileşikler de kapsayan çok çeşitli kimyasal gruba ait yaklaşık 1000 adet kimyasal ile test edilmiştir. Harici veri seti olarak kullanılan bu kimyasalların AhR verileri bulunmamaktadır. TCDD/F benzeri kimyasallar için geliştirilen modeller harici set kimyasallarını sırasıyla % 95.55 ve % 89.37 oranında yapısal olarak kapsamıştır.

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## LIST OF SYMBOLS/ABBREVIATIONS

| <b>Symbol</b> | <b>Explanation</b>                                              |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| AhR           | Aryl hydrocarbon Receptor                                       |
| CMR           | Carcinogenic, Mutagenic and Reproductive toxicity               |
| CoMFA         | Comparative Molecular Field Analysis                            |
| CoMSIA        | Comparative Molecular Similarity Indices Analysis               |
| CYP1A1        | Cytochrome P450 1A1                                             |
| ECHA          | European Chemical Agency                                        |
| B04[O-Cl]     | Presence/absence of O - Cl at topological distance 4            |
| F04[Cl-Cl]    | Frequency of Cl - Cl at topological distance 4                  |
| F09[C-Br]     | Frequency of C - Br at topological distance 9                   |
| HAH           | Halogenated Aromatic Hydrocarbon                                |
| ICZ           | Indolocarbazoles                                                |
| OECD          | Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development          |
| LOC           | Lopping Centric Index                                           |
| MATS5m        | Moran autocorrelation of lag 5 weighted by mass                 |
| MATS5v        | Moran autocorrelation of lag 5 weighted by van der Waals volume |
| MATS5s        | Moran autocorrelation of lag 5 weighted by Intinsic state       |
| MLR           | Multiple Linear Regression                                      |
| Mor03v        | Signal 03 / weighted by van der Waals volume                    |
| M_RNG         | Indicator variable for the presence of ring structures          |
| nHACC         | Number of acceptor atoms for H-bonds (N,O,F)                    |
| PAH           | Polyaromatic Hydrocarbon                                        |
| PBDE          | Polybrominated Diphenyl Erher                                   |
| PBN           | Polybrominated Naphthalene                                      |
| PBT           | Persistence, Bioaccumulation and ecoToxicology                  |
| PCB           | Polychlorinated Biphenyl                                        |
| PCDD          | Polychlorinated Dibenzo-p-dioxin                                |
| PCDE          | Polychlorinated Diphenyl Erher                                  |
| PCDF          | Polychhlorinated Dibenzofuran                                   |
| PCDPS         | Polychlorinated diphenyl sulphides                              |

|            |                                                                      |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PCDT       | Polychlorinated Dibenzothiophenes                                    |
| PCN        | Polychlorinated Naphthalene                                          |
| PCPT       | Polychlorinated Phenoxanthiins                                       |
| PCTA       | Polychlorinated Thianthrenes                                         |
| POP        | Persistent Organic Pollutants                                        |
| QSAR       | Quantitative Structure-Activity Relationship                         |
| QSTR       | Quantitative Structure-Toxicity Relationship                         |
| RgGrav__3D | Gravitational radius of gyration                                     |
| REACH      | Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals |
| TCDD       | 2,3,7,8-tetrachloro dibenzo-p-dioxin                                 |
| TCDF       | 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzofuran                                      |
| TEF        | Toxic Equivalency Factor                                             |
| Tm         | T total size index / weighted by mass                                |
| XRE        | Xenobiotic-Responsive Elements                                       |

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Xenobiotics are considered an emerging group of persistent organic pollutants (POPs). Some of these chemicals' (i.e. polychlorinated biphenyls) production has stopped many years ago, the remains can still be found in different parts of the environment (i.e. water, soil, air). Moreover, scientific research have proven their adverse health effects (EPA, 1996).

In 2006, Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) was established by the European Council and the European Parliament. REACH states the need of evaluation of chemicals that are imported or produced in quantities greater than 1 tonne per annum (tpa) for the assessment of toxic effects by 2018. Of the minimum required data set for the assessment of environmental and human hazards PBT (Persistence, Bioaccumulation and ecoToxicology) properties are of major concern together with CMR (Carcinogenic, Mutagenic and Reproductive toxicity) properties. However this information is not available for the majority of the existing chemicals.

Some xenobiotics exert toxic effects via binding the Aryl hydrocarbon Receptor (AhR). Aryl hydrocarbon Receptor is a ligand-activated transcription factor that mediates transcription of many downstream target genes, including cytochrome P450 metabolizing enzymes. Therefore, binding affinity of chemicals to AhR can be accepted as a toxicological endpoint. Aryl Nuclear receptors are crucial in cellular processes like metabolic processes and cell growth (Gronemeyer et al., 2004). Aryl hydrocarbon receptor is one of these receptors. It is a member of the basic helix-loop-helix transcription family and located in the cytoplasm. Ligand binding to AhR is thought to lead a conformational change. These ligands can be either synthetic or natural. Polyhalogenated aromatic hydrocarbons such as biphenyls, dibenzofurans and dioxin-like chemicals are classified among synthetic ligands (Denison et al., 2002). Mechanism suggests that, activated AhR translocates into the nucleus, then it forms a heterodimer by binding to the AhR nuclear translocator protein (Arnt). Heterodimer, later, binds to xenobiotic-responsive elements (XRE) (Poland and Knutson, 1982).

AhR ligands such as polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), polychlorinated dibenzofurans (PCDFs) and polyhalogenated dibenzo-p-dioxins (PHDDs) and naphthalenes are classified among the persistent environmental pollutants and can be found widespread in the environment (EPA, 1997). Halogenated Aromatic Hydrocarbons (HAHs) have great adverse effects on health due to their carcinogenic, teratogenic and mutagenic effects (Mendel, 2005). For risk assessment purposes, the concept of toxic equivalent factors (TEFs) has been created for HAHs, which shows the binding affinity toward AhR. TEFs have been assigned to individual dioxins and furans based on a comparison of toxicity to 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzodioxin (2,3,7,8-TCDD). Although 2,3,7,8-TCDF has been shown to be approximately one-tenth as toxic as 2,3,7,8-TCDD in animal tests, and its toxic equivalent value is 0.1, this is not always the case (Van den Berg et al., 2006).

However, assessing binding affinities are generally time and money consuming procedures. In addition to that, they are somewhat harmful to the environment and they do not exactly promote green chemistry as the wastes often end up in the sewage system. In order to avoid all these problems *in vitro* and *in silico* methods can be employed for assessing the binding affinities.

Structure-activity relationships (SARs) and quantitative structure-activity relationships (QSARs) are useful in this aspect. Usage of QSAR is recommended and supported by European Chemical Agency (ECHA). ECHA has updated its Practical Guide on How to use and report (Q)SARs with further advice and examples on using (quantitative) structure-activity relationships for registering under REACH in Helsinki, 17 March 2016.

Quantitative structure-activity/toxicity relationship (QSA/TR) generates a quantitative relationship between the compound's structure and its chemical, physical and biological properties. Many reliable models have been produced by this method, and it was also employed in the present study.

### 1.1. Aim of the Study

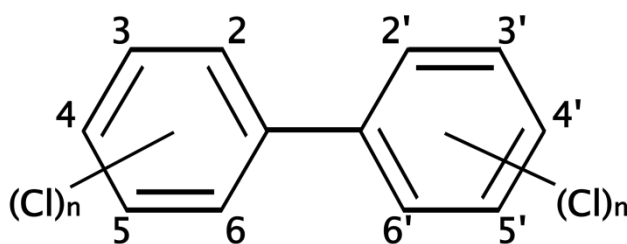
The aims of this study were to investigate the toxic potencies of xenobiotics (i.e. PCBs, PCDDs, PCDFs, naphthalenes and indolocarbazoles) inducing TCDD/TCDF-like effects using their AhR binding affinities and structures with QSTR, to develop robust QSTR models which complies with the OECD principles for both end points, to indicate the reliability of the predicted AhR binding affinities of test set chemicals in each of the data set comprised of TCDD and TCDF-like chemicals regarding the applicability domain of the developed models, to predict AhR binding affinities of about 1000 diverse group of chemicals from polychlorinated/brominated biphenyls, dioxins, ethers, furans, phenoxathiins, thianthrenes and dibenzothiophenes, and polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) (i.e. naphthalene, phenanthrene, anthracene, acridine) with no AhR data, and to compare the predicted toxic potencies of HAHs inducing TCDF-like effects with those of the predicted toxic potencies of HAHs inducing TCDD-like effects. In addition to the aims mentioned above contributing to REACH data need regarding the AhR is one of the major aims. The present study seeks to reach the final aim by predicting the  $pIC_{50}$  values of chemicals that do not have experimental values yet through from the developed QSTR models.



## 2. THEORETICAL BACKGROUND

### 2.1. Chlorinated and Brominated Biphenyls

The general formula for PCBs is  $C_{12}H_{10-n}Cl_n$ , where  $n$  is a number of chlorine atoms from 1 to 10. There are 10 different homologues dependent on the number of chlorines and 209 different theoretical congeners dependent on the number and the position of chlorines (Breivik et al., 2002). 103 of these 209 congeners are most likely to found in commercial use and industrial PCBs are usually mixtures of 50 different congeners.



**Figure 2.1.** General structure of PCBs.

Bromine analogues of PCBs are the polybrominated biphenyls (PBBs). Commercial mixtures of PBBs are found a small amount compared to those of PCBs (Sundström et al., 1976).

#### 2.1.1. Commercial uses of halogenated biphenyls

PCBs were produced from 1929 until 1979 when production was banned by the United States government after its classification as a persistent organic pollutant (POP). After that, in 2001 PCBs were banned by the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants. The research of de Voogt and Brinkman (1998) estimates the total production to be around 1.5 million tons. The United States is the largest producer with 600,000 tons of production. However, the true cumulative production is expected to be higher since factories in Poland, East Germany and Austria produced unknown amounts of PCB. Even though the production was banned at 1979, 40% of the overall produced PCBs are estimated to be still in use. PBB

production was banned in the US in 1973 (US EPA, 2014). PBB production continued until 1977 in the United Kingdom, 1980s in Germany and 2000 in France. Total production estimation is around 11.000 tons; however some countries are not in this estimation. Approximately 6000 tons of PBBs were produced in the US between 1970 and 1976. FireMaster FF-1 and FireMaster BP-6 account for the 98% of the total production (Hardy, 2002).

PCBs and PBBs were highly used in industry due to their outstanding chemical stability, electrical insulating properties, low flammability and high boiling point properties. Commercial uses of PCBs are categorized as open, partially close and close applications. Close applications basically state the type where chemicals are held in the equipment. Electrical transformers and capacitors, electrical equipment such as voltage regulators, switches and electromagnets, and fluorescent light ballasts are products that are among close applications. PCBs are not directly exposed to the environment in partially closed applications. Hydraulic systems and vacuum pumps are among some examples of partially closed applications. Open applications include products such as plasticizers in paints, flame retardants, wood floor finishes and waterproofing compounds where PCBs are in direct contact with the environment (EPA, 1996; UNEP, 1999).

PBBs were mainly used as flame retardant additives in plastic. They were then made into furniture, textiles, electronics and many other household products (US EPA, 2012).

### **2.1.2. Exposure and effects on the environment**

Thermal and chemical stability makes halogenated biphenyls very suitable to be used in industrial products yet; the same properties make them very hazardous for the environment. Some of the congeners tend to be “dioxin-like” thus very stable and resistant to biodegradation. These types of congeners were released to the environment due to accidents and inappropriate disposal and they are still thought to be present in the environment (UNEP, 1999). Their low vapour pressure and low water solubility allow them to partition between water and the atmosphere. Once released into the environment, PCBs adsorb to organic matter and sediments. It is important to point out that the composition of PCB mixtures changes once they are released into the environment.

Low-chlorinated PCBs tend to be more water soluble, have lower boiling points and more easily biodegradable. Because of these, their concentrations in sediments were found to be lower than the other higher-chlorinated PCBs which also have high boiling point and more resistant to biodegradation. More chlorinated PCBs were also found to bioaccumulate in higher concentrations in wildlife tissues. Volatilized PCBs mostly ended up in remote areas as a result of entering a global biogeochemical cycle and transported (Muir, 2001; Risebrough, 1968; Tanabe 1988).

European Food Safety Authority found PBBs in seafood, meat and meat products and in dairy products. Shen et al. (2008) tested 10 congeners on fish (BB-15, BB-49, BB-52, BB-77, BB-80, BB-101, BB-126, BB-153 and BB-209) and 9 of them (except BB-209) were found in the fat tissues. They also reported the increase in PBB contamination with the increase in fat content. Another study done on human milk from Finland and Denmark proved the presence of BB-153 in that medium (EFSA 2010).

Human and wildlife exposure can happen through contact with contaminated air, sediments, water or diet. For humans exposure mainly happens through contaminated food as a result of bioaccumulation.

### **2.1.3. Health concerns related to halogenated biphenyls**

Both PCBs and PBBs are proven to cause adverse health effects. They have severe effects on immune system, reproductive system, endocrine system, etc. In addition to that they were demonstrated to show carcinogenic effects in animals as well as humans.

The most carcinogenic PCB mixtures were found to be the ones that bind to sediments and bioaccumulate in animals. People, who consume or are in contact with PCB-contaminated products, are under the risk of being exposed to PCBs which may be more toxic compared to their initial state before being released into the environment.

Rhesus monkeys were used for the purpose of assessing PCBs adverse effects on the immune system, as their immune system is very similar to humans' (U.S. EPA, 2013). Results showed significant reduction in the size of thymus gland, decreased resistance to

some viruses and infections and reduction in the response and development of the immune system. Effects on the reproductive system were assessed using mostly Rhesus monkeys as well. PCB exposures were found to cause several adverse effects including decrease in sperm counts and reducing birth weight. These effects were also found to be long lasting even after years after the PCB exposure. Mixtures of PCBs mostly found in breast milk were tested on monkeys for neurological effects. Results proved that PCBs were causing significant decrease in neurological development, learning and short-term memory in new-borns. Finally, PCBs were tested for their endocrine effects and they have demonstrated to increase thyroid hormone levels in humans and animals (EPA, 1996).

PBBs were proven to reach the fetus by passing through the placenta. Shen et al. (2008) investigated that of the 13 PBB congeners, the congeners BB-153 and BB-155 were detected most commonly in the samples. Wang and colleagues (2010) correlated thyroid hormone levels and PBB serum levels in the people who lived near electronic waste dismantling and recycling sites. BB-77, BB-103 and BB-209 were found in those samples. The results were compared to serum from people who lived far away from those sites (Wang et al. 2010).

#### **2.1.4. Polychlorinated biphenyl derivatives**

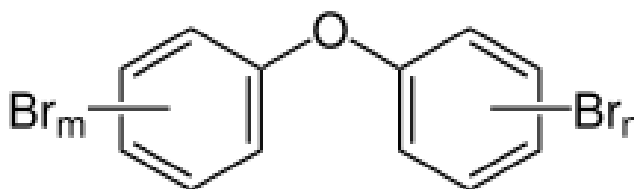
Hydroxylated polychlorinated biphenyls (HO-PCBs) are of concern as well since they are binding to blood proteins, they interfere with physiological development by interfering receptors and pass the placenta. Some of the mentioned derivatives, such as OH-CBs- are produced as a result of oxidative metabolism of PCBs (Morse et al., 1995). Upon binding the 4'-positioned carbon of the PCB structure; they enhance electronegativity, lipophilicity and hydrogen bonding characteristics of the chemical. These enhanced properties result in enhanced binding affinity to related receptors (Parkinson et al., 1988). HO-PCBs have capacity to bind to the AhR and show dioxin-like effects (Cao et al., 2013).

## 2.2. Brominated and Chlorinated Diphenyl Ethers (PBDEs & PCDEs)

There are 209 PBDE and PCDE congeners in total; differing with the number and position attached to the general structure. Even though these two groups have the same skeleton, they are different. PCDEs are structurally more close to PCBs and polychlorinated dibenzo furans (PCDFs) (Domingo, 2006).

Deca-BDE, octa-BDE and penta-BDE are the three types of commercial PBDEs. Among these decaBDE is the most common homologue. No natural sources are known except for a few marine organisms that may produce PBDEs. They are hydrophobic. They are known to release bromine radicals which reduce combustion rate and dispersion of fire at elevated temperatures which makes them great flame retardants (Hooper and McDonald, 2000; EPA, 2009).

Among 209 possible PCDE congeners, only 106 can be synthesized and 103 of them are currently available (Domingo, 2006).



**Figure 2.2.** General structure of PBDEs

### 2.2.1. Commercial uses of halogenated diphenyl ethers

PBDEs have been widely used in the United States since 1970s. They are famously used as flame retardants, and with their introduction a significant decrease in the amount of fires were observed. Penta-BDE was used in couches, car seats and chairs with polyurethane foams.

Deca-BDE is generally used in textile products and electronic devices such as television sets and computers. Octa-BDE was used for circuit boards. Commercial mixtures may

contain different homologues. In return, their bioaccumulation properties and toxicity differ (Costa and Giordano, 2007). Penta and octa-BDE's application were banned in 2004 (Ward et al., 2008).

PCDEs are essentially by-products of chlorophenols and chlorinated phenoxyacetic acids. In the industry, they were used as plasticizers, lubricants, electric insulators and flame retardants like PBDEs. In addition, some were used as biocides and herbicides (Koistinen et al., 1996).

### **2.2.2. Exposure and effects on the environment**

PBDEs do not form chemical binds with the polymer product and they can leak to the environment easily. They were detected in air, water and sediment previously. In addition to that they were detected indoors as dust (Darnerud et al., 2001). Their release to the environment may happen through emissions and/or volatilization from production processes. In addition to that inappropriate dispersal methods and leaching from waste may be other possible ways to enter the environment. Congeners with less bromine are found to be more persistent in the environment and bioaccumulate more compared to high brominated congeners. Due to their homophobic properties they do not easily dissolve in water and they bind to sediment. This in return reduces their mobility in the soil. If, however, they are attached to airborne matter, their mobility increases. Congeners with high number of bromine were shown to have the lowest volatilization compared to homolog with low and moderate bromine atoms (ATSDR, 2004; EPA, 2009). Although compounds like PCBs are shown to be decreasing in the environment, PBDEs stayed persistent and increased until 2001 (Darnerud et al., 2001).

Compared to other chlorinated organic pollutants like furans and biphenyls, PCDEs are more scarce in the environment (Domingo, 2006).

### 2.2.3. Health concerns related to halogenated ethers

PBDEs have been detected in various human tissues in addition to blood and breast milk. BDE-47, -99, -100, -153 and -154 were predominantly found in human tissues and accounting for 90% of the total exposure (McDonald, 2005).

Diet, inhalation and direct contact are some of the human exposure pathways to PBDEs. Regarding the dietary products, fish had the highest amount and this followed by meat. However, meat was thought to be the most significant intake source. This theory was later strengthened when a group of vegans' serum was tested for the PBDE content and the levels were found around one third of the general U.S. population (Schecter et al., 2004, 2006).

In addition to that, high levels of PBDE were detected in breast milk. The highest amounts were generally found in North America. A study estimates a baby's daily PBDE intake would be around 306 ng/kg, whereas the same amount would be 1 ng/kg for adults. Even though the amount of other persistent organic pollutants like biphenyls and dioxins were decreasing in human tissues between 1973 and 2003, levels of PBDE have increased (Schecter et al., 2006). Right after PBDE applications were banned in 2003, their levels in women serum started decreasing (Ward et al., 2008; Zota et al., 2011). Although the decrease is not as sharp as it was in women serum, levels of PBDE in breast milk is also decreasing (Guo et al., 2016).

House dust may be another important PBDE source for small children. Studies suggest that house dust is responsible for over 80% of the overall PBDE exposure for a toddler (Wilford et al., 2005). EPA suggests a toddler would be exposed to 100 mg PBDE daily. For adults levels due to house dust is half of the amount that was found in the toddlers' serum (1997). PBDE exposure was not found related to body mass, however highest levels were found in babies and toddlers due to house dust and breast milk exposure (Schecter et al., 2007).

PBDEs have  $LD_{50s} > 5$  g/kg oral toxicity. Liver, kidney and thyroid gland are the common target organs. Deca-BDE was shown to be less toxic compared to other lower brominated congeners (Darnerud et al., 2001). Some PBDEs have adverse effects on

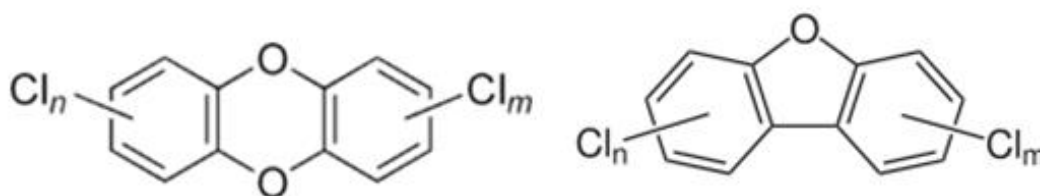
reproduction. Studies have shown that exposure to BDE-99 decreased sperm counts in male rats and affect the shape of ovary cells in female rats (Kuriyama et al. 2007) (Talsness et al., 2004).

Finally, PBDEs may have adverse effects on developmental neurotoxicity. PBDE exposures may result with adverse changes in motor activity and cognitive behaviour (Eriksson et al., 2001).

#### 2.2.4. Halogenated diphenyl ether derivatives

Hydroxylated polybrominated diphenyl ethers (OH-PBDEs) and methoxylated polybrominated diphenyl ethers (MeO-PBDEs) were found in animal and human tissues. They are most likely the biotransformation products of PBDEs. MeO-PBDEs are produced by the marine organisms whereas HO-PBDEs may occur via biotransformation of PBDEs or biotransformation via naturally occurring MeO-PBDEs (Su et al., 2012).

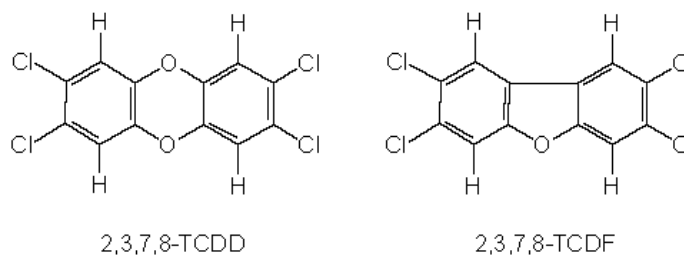
### 2.3. Polychlorinated dibenzo-*p*-dioxins (PCDDs) and polychlorinated dibenzofurans (PCDFs)



**Figure 2.3.** General structure of PCDDs and PCDFs.

Unlike other persistent organic pollutants (POPs), PCDFs and PCDDs were not produced on purpose. Instead, they were produced as by-products of industrial combustion processes. There are 75 congeners and 8 homologues for PCDD and 135 congeners for PCDF. They are planar tricyclic ethers. The 2,3,7,8 tetrachlorodibenzo-*p*-dioxin is the most toxic anthropogenic chemical. Studies have shown that many of the 2,3,7,8 substituted congeners are highly toxic. They have low vapour pressure, low water solubility and high binding affinity to soil and sediments (Fiedler, 2003).





**Figure 2.4.** Structures of 2,3,7,8 tetrachlorodibenzo-*p*-dioxin and 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzofuran

### 2.3.1. Sources of PCDDs and PCDFs

Primary sources of PCDD and PCDFs were mainly from paper and pulp production industry. These chemicals were obtained under high temperature, UV-light, alkaline media and occurrence of radicals. Congeners were found both in the end products (paper and pulp) and in the sludge. Decrease in production happened as the industrial processes changed in time and with advance treatment techniques the amounts found in sludge was reduced as well (Hutzinger and Fiedler, 1993). Residuals of PCDDs and PCDFs were also detected in solid waste incinerators in the Netherlands (Olie et al., 1997).

### 2.3.2. Exposure and effects on the environment

PCDDs and PCDFs have low water solubility and high lipophilicity which makes them accumulate in fatty tissues. At elevated temperatures (spring and summer seasons) less chlorinated congeners are mostly stay in the vapour phase. In this phase PCDDs and PCDFs can go under dechlorination reactions and the end products may be more toxic especially if the mother compound is degraded to tetra- and penta- congeners. On the other hand, same photochemical reaction may result with non-toxic compounds, if the end products are less chlorinated congeners.

PCDD/Fs can accumulate on plant surfaces via several ways. Congeners with low chlorine numbers are shown to accumulate via dry gaseous deposition whereas; congeners with higher chlorine tend to accumulate via dry particle-bound deposition process. Zucchini

and cucumber were proven to be contaminated by PCDDs and PCDFs previously (Fiedler et al., 2000; 2003).

Studies on carry-over rates proved that rates increase with decreasing number of chlorine atoms on the structure due to the hydrophobic nature. Approximately 30% of the highly toxic PCDD and PCDF congeners were found in cow's milk, after their ingestion through grazing (Welsch-Pausch and McLachlan, 1998).

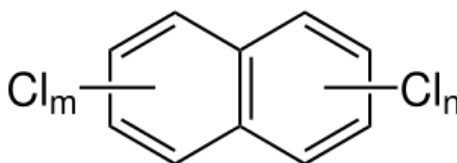
### **2.3.3. Health concerns related to PCDD/Fs**

Human exposure happens through inhalation, direct dermal intake and diet related contamination. According to WHO, 90% of the contamination results from food consumption (1999).

PCDD/F exposure in humans may lead to skin lesions, liver problems, weakness related to weight loss and endocrine disruptions. 2,3,7,8-PCDD is found to be the cause of liver tumours in animals. In addition to that exposure to it may result in many cell growth inhibition and even cell death (Fiedler, 2003).

Increased occurrence of diabetes and mortality due to diabetes is another toxic effect related to these compounds. Like in PCBs, PCDD/PCDFs are found to be responsible for decreased neurologic development in infants.

## 2.4. Polyhalogenated Naphthalenes



**Figure 2.5.** General structure of naphthalene

The general formula of polyhalogenated naphthalenes is  $C_{10}H_{8-n}X_n$ . There are 75 polybrominated naphthalenes (PBN) and polychlorinated naphthalenes (PCN) depending on the degree of halogenation. Unlike chloronaphthalenes there is much less information on sources and environmental and health effects of brominated naphthalenes (Falandysz et al., 2014).

The Br-C bonds' strength and polarizability are much greater compared to Cl-C bonds in PCNs. Chloronaphthalenes are known to have more or less like the same effects as 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin. PCNs are fat-loving, stable and persistent in the environment. They are known to be accumulating in the environment. PBNs may have different degree of planarity due to the size and mass of the bromine atom. In return, this might affect their toxic similarity to TCDD (Falandysz, 1998).

### 2.4.1. Sources of naphthalene

There are no known natural sources of naphthalene production. PCNs are mostly produced and widely used between 1910s and 1970s. They were also found to be occurring as impurities of PCBs. Penta- and hexa- bromonaphthalenes were also found as impurities in flame retardants. Firemaster BP-6 is the most significant one. Trace amounts of BPNs were found as the end products of pyrolysis process of brominated flame retardants.

Approximately 150.000 tonnes of PCNs are thought to be produced. However, just like in PCBs, the actual amount that has been produced is unknown. The amount of production in the former Soviet Union and China is unknown (Birnbaum et al. 1983).

#### **2.4.2. Exposure and effects on the environment**

Exposures to chloronaphthalenes generally happen through food and diet. Accumulation highly depends on the degree of halogenation. In addition to that, structures of PCNs may undergo some changes as they are transferred to vegetables and fruits, so accumulation of each food source may be different. Moreover, accumulation in animal tissues depends on different parameters, including the exposure route, duration, metabolic capacity of the animal and finally the composition of the chemical being exposed to (Domingo et al., 2003; Wyrzykowska et al., 2007; Falandysz et al., 2014).

Environmental contamination and food resource contamination due to PCNs has been reported previously. However, by comparing the breast milk collected in 1972 and 1992 show that the amount of PCNs present in the environment is declining. In fact, Norén and Meironyté, (2000) reported that the amount found in breast milk was halved during this period. The research that has been done in Baltic Sea also proves that the amounts of PCNs are reduced in the environment (Haglund et al., 2010).

No trace of PBNs were found in the environment, however, Firemaster BP-6 was unintentionally added to cattle feed which lead to a food contamination in the USA in 1973 (Birnbaum et al., 1983).

#### **2.4.3. Health concerns**

A study that was performed with cows showed that presence of PCNs in the system affect the cow's milk production. There was a significant decrease in cow's amount of milk after being exposed to PCNs. The same study also proved that calves were exposed to PCNs since these chemicals are excreting from the milk (Weistrand and Norén, 1998).

More research on rats prove that accumulation of different congeners were mainly found in the adipose tissue, the heart, the liver and intestines, and then made their way through the skin and to the adipose tissue, if it wasn't the first place of accumulation (Weistrand and Norén, 1998).

Toxicology tests with calves, pigs, rats and rabbits lead to some understanding about the effects of PCNs. Liver necrosis was among the symptoms. In some cases, weight loss and oedema were also observed. Reductions in post-natal development due to PCNs were also observed (Weistrand and Norén, 1998).

## 2.5. Indolocarbazoles and Derivatives

Indolocarbazoles (ICZ) was first isolated in 1977 from cultures of *Streptomyces staurosporeus*. They have been isolated from bacteria, fungi, invertebrates etc. ever since. In 1990, they have been isolated from cyanobacteria. They are heterocyclic compounds with an indoles attached to benzoid rings. The present five isomers are named indolo[2,3-a]carbazole, indolo[3,2-a]carbazole, indolo[2,3-b]carbazole and indolo [2,3-c]carbazole. Some of the ICZ has been tested for their possible usage against cancer (Sánchez et al., 2006).

### 2.5.1. Sources and commercial usage

Indolocarbazoles have a dietary origin and it is present in gastrointestinal tract of humans and rodents. They can also be produced in vitro under acidic conditions from indoles. In addition to that, they are found in cruciferous vegetables (Waller and McKinney 1995). Their planar structure allows stable conjugation and this property may be beneficial when used in electronic products. An organic field effect transistor with a layer of indolo[3,2-b]carbazoles was constructed to prove these claims. Moreover, organic thin-film transistors were manufactured from N-alkylated indolo[3,2-b]carbazoles. They might also be used as transporting material for diodes. In addition to that halogenated indolo[3,2-b]carbazoles are used in the production of polymeric materials. 6-formylindolo[3,2-b]carbazole, which is formed from tryptophan, during sunlight exposure to indoors (Janosik et al., 2008).

### 2.5.2. Health related issues

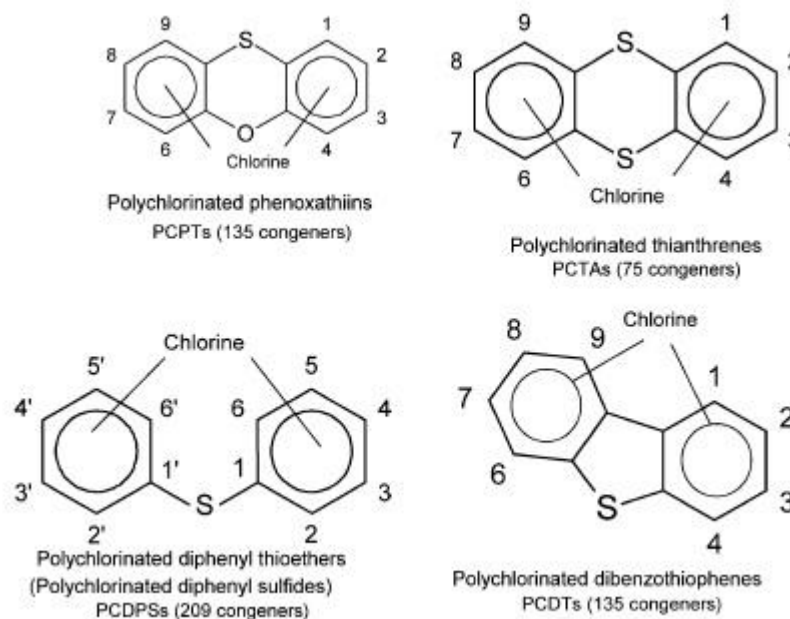
ICZ shows high affinity for the Aryl hydrocarbon receptor. However, as the dehalogenated compounds are less lipophilic, they are less likely to accumulate in fatty tissues. In return they are thought to show different effect compared to TCDD.

TCDD was proven to be approximately thousand times more active than ICZ in inducing CYP1A1 cells. Moreover, research proves that TCDD shows at least 2 times higher affinity in binding to AhR (Chen et al., 1995). 6-formylindolo[3,2-b] carbazole promotes CYP1A induction in chick embryo hepatocytes and it was identified as a AhR-dependent initiator of the UVB stress response. In addition to that, indolo[3,2-b] carbazole and 6-formylindolo[3,2-b] carbazole were proven to inhibit an estrogen receptor through binding to AhR (Janosik, Wahlström, and Bergman 2008).

However, research that has been made in the most recent years (Janosik et al., 2008) proves that ICZ has great potential to be used as anticancer drug. Some types of ICZ products have proven to be inhibiting of protein kinases. In addition to that indolocarbazoles have demonstrated that they were able to inhibit human DNA topoisomerase. Therefore authors concluded that ICZ may have great potential in drug development (Tamaoki and Nakano, 1990; Yamashita et al., 1992).

## 2.6. Polyaromatic Hydrocarbons with Fused Heterocyclic Rings

General structures of some of the polyaromatic hydrocarbons with fused heterocyclic rings and chlorinated diphenyl thioethers were shown in Figure 2.6. (Mostrag et al., 2010).



**Figure 2.6.** General structure of some of the polyaromatic hydrocarbons with fused heterocyclic rings and chlorinated diphenyl thioethers.

Chlorinated polycyclic aromatic compounds (CPACs) have been seen in many environmental media. Some of these include polychlorinated phenoxanthiins (PCPTs), polychlorinated thianthrenes (PCTAs), polychlorinated dibenzothiophenes (PCDTs) and polychlorinated diphenyl sulphides (PCDPSs).

These compounds are mostly by-products of industrial processes of PCDDs, PCDFs etc. They are formed as a result of incomplete combustion of other xenobiotics; they are formed in sulfurized coal combustion with presence of halogens under specific conditions (Grzybek et al., 2002). PCDTs, PCTAs and PCDPSs are sulphur analogues of PCDFs, PCDDs and PCDEs, respectively (Sinkkonen, 1997). Since these compounds are by-products of such environmentally significant chemicals, they are of interest in this work.

### **2.6.1. Exposure and effects on the environment**

PCDTs are known to be less toxic than planar PCBs and their corresponding oxygen compounds (Mantyla et al., 1992).

In the environment, they were found in many media including sediments, aquatic organisms and pine needles. In addition to that, some were detected in the air samples and their sources were identified as pulp mills (Sinkkonen et al., 1995a; Sinkkonen et al., 1995b; Sinkkonen, 1997). Their occurrence in wastewater may result in emission into atmosphere which may result in acid rain (Abalos et al., 2002).

### **2.6.2. Health related issues**

The above mentioned compounds have been proven for their tendency to bioaccumulate in lipids. Thus, they are able to accumulate in human tissues. Furthermore, since they have high structural similarity with their oxygen-containing analogues, it is highly possible for them to show similar carcinogenic effects (Fenner et al., 2005).

## **2.7. Quantitative Structure-Activity Relationships (QSARs)**

Quantitative structure-activity relationships have been constructed and used for a variety of purposes for more than half a century, with first developed in 1962 by Hansch and colleagues (Hansch et al., 1962).

QSARs aim to derive quantitative relationships between the molecular structures and the biological activity. In addition to that, they aim to discover the mechanism lying behind the biological activity and the structure. Moreover, QSAR models save a lot of time and money by eliminating the experimental part, they replace animal tests in many cases and by eliminating experiments they endorse greener chemistry (Cronin, 2010).

QSAR models are developed by building a relationship between chemical structures and toxicity. This relationship is obtained via molecular descriptors. Molecular descriptors, as described by Consonni and Todeschini (2010), are “the final result of a logic and



mathematical procedure which transforms chemical information encoded within a symbolic representation of a molecule into a useful number or the result of some standardized experiment". There are mainly two groups of molecular descriptors: experimental measurements (i.e. physico-chemical properties) and theoretical molecular descriptors. The one significant contrast between these two groups is that the lack of contribution of experimental mistakes in theoretical molecular descriptors (Consonni and Todeschini, 2010).

There are many types of descriptors with some being as simple as total atom counts or molecular weight, number of bonds etc. Others based on more complex algorithms are topological or 2D-descriptors. Another type of descriptors are 3D-descriptors, geometrical descriptors, they were derived from the spatial coordinates. Overall, there are more than 5000 descriptors and the number keeps increasing. This increase results in broadened research of the quantitative relationship, as each descriptor explains one slight part of the chemical structure (Consonni and Todeschini, 2010).

One of the many ways to build a QSAR model is through Multiple Linear Regression (MLR). The following formula explains the Multiple Linear Regression approach (Eq. 2.1):

$$y_i = b_0 + \sum_{j=1}^n b_j x_{ij} + e_i \quad (2.1)$$

where  $y_i$  represents the response to be modelled and  $x_{ij}$  are the values of selected descriptors and  $e_i$  is the random error (Gramatica et al., 2013).

### 2.7.1. QSAR model validation

According to Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) a valid QSAR model must have five features. These are (1) a defined endpoint, (2) an unambiguous algorithm, (3) a defined domain of applicability, (4) appropriate measures of goodness of fit, robustness and predictivity and (5) a mechanistic interpretation, if possible (OECD, 2007).

A defined endpoint is a physicochemical, biological or environmental property. A valid model should refer what endpoint it used to model. Moreover, it has to be determined by same protocol for every data and the unit of the endpoint must be used accurately (Dearden et al., 2009).

An unambiguous algorithm is needed to ensure that the model can be used and further validated by other people. To have an unambiguous algorithm every method and information that were used to build the model must be published. This includes software packages, descriptors etc. (Zvinavashe et al., 2008).

The applicability domain (AD) was explained as “the response and chemical structure space in which the model makes predictions with a given reliability” by Netzeva et al. (2005). A defined applicability domain also defines the limits of the descriptors that were used to build the model, and therefore very important (Dearden et al., 2009).

The robustness and predictivity, a model should both be externally and internally validated. There are many parameters such as goodness of fit ( $R^2$ ), variance ratio (F), standard error of the estimate (s) (Zvinavashe et al., 2008). These properties will be explained later in detail.

Finally a mechanistic interpretation is needed if it is possible. According to OECD if descriptors have a physicochemical interpretation with a logical mechanism and if the proposed mechanism can be supported with the work from literature, only then it may be accepted as a high level of confidence interpretation (2007).

## **2.8. Aryl Hydrocarbon Receptor and Its Relevance to Xenobiotics**

Cytochrome P450 1A1 (CYP1A1) is a xenobiotic metabolizing enzyme. In humans it is encoded by the AhR gene. Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons activate the transcription of CYP1A, and this leads to increased activity of CYP1A1 activity. The aryl hydrocarbon receptor (AhR) (also referred as the dioxin receptor) is an intracellular receptor and it controls CYP1A1 gene's induction. The proposed mechanism suggests that, activated AhR translocates into the nucleus, and then it forms a heterodimer by binding to the AhR nuclear

translocator protein (Arnt). Heterodimer later binds to xenobiotic-responsive elements (XRE). 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD) was shown to have the maximum affinity towards the AhR (Mimura and Fujii-Kuriyama, 2003; Poland and Knutson, 1982).

For risk assessment purposes, the concept of toxic equivalent factors (TEFs) has been created for HAHs. Earlier, hazard and risk assessment was focused on TCDD as it shows maximum affinity towards the AhR. Nonetheless, it has been soon realized that other poly halogenated organic compounds are present in the environment and have higher concentrations than TCDD. This lead to a broadened hazard and risk assessment procedure and TEF approach was adopted (Van Den Berg et al., 1998; Safe, 1997).

Poland and Knutson (1982) found a rank order interaction between halogenated aromatic hydrocarbons' structure and their AhR binding affinities. Developed structure-activity relationships for PCDDs and PCDFs proved substituted lateral 2,3,7,8 positions were the most toxic compounds. As it shows the maximum affinity towards the AhR, TCDD was given a TEF of 1.0. (Safe et al., 1985).

Toxic equivalency factors were used to determine toxic or TCDD equivalents (TEQs). Following equation gives the relationship between TEFs and TEQs in a mixture:

$$TEQ = \sum[PCDD_i] \cdot TEF_i + \sum[PCDF_i] \cdot TEF_i + \sum[PCB_i] \cdot TEF_i + \dots \quad (2.2)$$

Where  $i$  is the concentration and TEF for a congener in a mixture of halogenated aromatic hydrocarbons (Safe, 1997) .

## 2.9. Studies on Existing QSAR Models for TCDD and TCDF-Normalized AhR

Many QSARs were developed to predict halogenated aromatic hydrocarbons' binding affinities towards AhR.

In 1992, Waller and McKinney used comparative molecular field analysis (CoMFA) to build a quantitative structure-activity relationship for dioxin-like compounds. Their data set was focused on PCDFs, PCDDs, PBDDs and PCBs. The built model was good in terms of predicting dibenzofurans, however, it was poor in predicting dioxins and biphenyls. Therefore, in 1995 they conducted a new study to further validate their previous study. In addition to previous compounds this time they included naphthalenes and indolocarbazoles to have a more diverse training set. Uniquely they used 2, 3, 7, 8-tetrachlorodibenzofuran (TCDF) as an internal standard and normalized all the data to a value of 8.444, the  $pIC_{50}$  value for TCDF (Waller and McKinney, 1992; 1995). Later in 2006, Lo Piparo et al. (2006) used the same data to further validate the model. In this study, the group used Volsurf, Hologram QSAR (HQSAR) in addition to CoMFA and hybrid models, and obtained  $R^2 > 0.82$  and  $q^2 > 0.62$  for their models. In 2006, Ashek et al. employed comparative molecular field analysis (CoMFA) and comparative molecular similarity indices analysis (CoMSIA) on similar compound groups to predict their AhR ligand binding affinity. Again, in most of these studies, authors compared their studies with Waller and McKinney's (1995) work and further validated the model (Ashek et al., 2006).

In 2010, Diao and co-workers developed a model to predict dioxin and furan affinities towards the AhR receptor. In this study, quantum chemical descriptors were employed to predict the AhR binding affinity. Many descriptors were used to build the model including the energy of the highest occupied and lowest unoccupied molecular orbital ( $E_{HOMO}$  and  $E_{LUMO}$ ), dipole moment etc. (Diao et al., 2010).

In 2011, Li and others performed a docking (a 3D-QSAR) study with a data set including PCBs, PCDDs and PCDFs. Their docking studies showed a hydrogen-bonding and hydrophobic interactions between selected compounds and the AhR. Moreover, based on their QSAR model they concluded that molecular size, shape, polarizability and

electrotopological states were important parameters for the AhR binding affinity (Li et al., 2011).

In 2010, Papa et al. developed a model for predicting the endocrine-disrupting potencies of PBDEs. They developed the model using multiple linear regression (MLR) method and they validated their model according to OECD principles, which was explained previously in this thesis. Later, in 2012, Gu et al. derived a relationship between PBDEs and AhR binding affinity using partial least square (PLS) analysis derived QSAR method. They compared their study's predictive ability with Papa et al. (2010) and concluded that they obtained a moderate ( $R^2 = 0.68$ ) correlation.

Lately, Yuan et al. (2013) studied the binding affinities of PCDDs, PCDFs and PCBs towards the aryl hydrocarbon receptor. For this purpose they employed the docking approach in addition to 3D-QSAR methods and CoMFA. They compared their results to those of other studies and concluded that docking-based CoMFA models had shown better results compared to the other CoMFA models. One year later, in 2014, the group further validated their previous model and used molecular similarity indices analysis (CoMSIA) approach (Yuan et al., 2014).

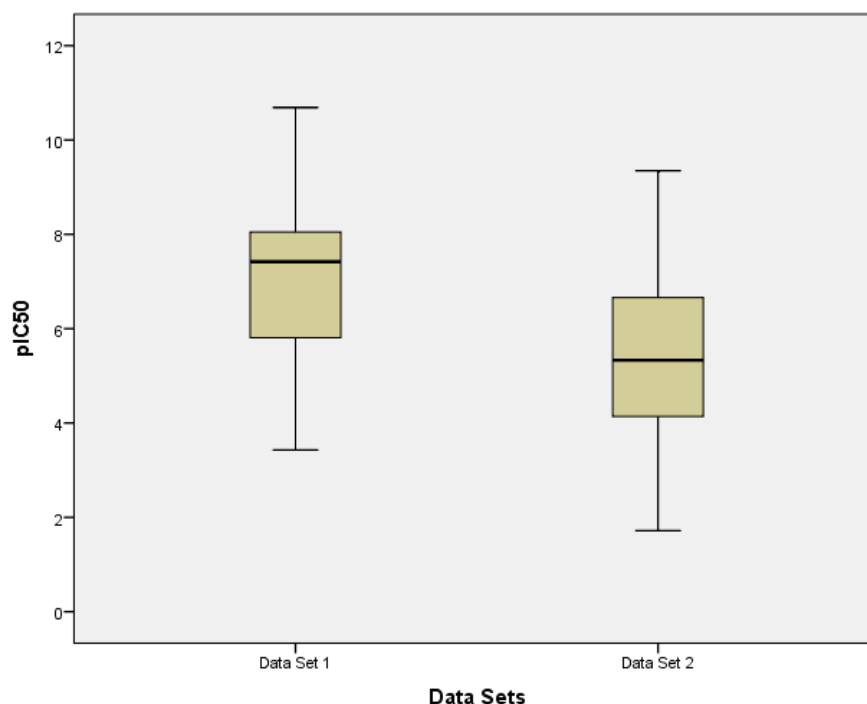
Finally, in 2013, Ruffa used multiple linear regressions (MLR) to predict the AhR binding affinity of a large group of halogenated aromatic hydrocarbons including PBDEs PCDD/Fs, PCBs and PBDDs.

### 3. MATERIALS AND METHODS

#### 3.1. Data Set

Two different data sets were used in this study. First, data were taken from Ruffa (2013) which was put together from studies of Safe (1990), Chen et al., (2001) Waller and McKinney (1995) and Safe et al., (1985). This data set has 107 AhR ligands including 25 dibenzo-*p*-dioxins, 35 dibenzofurans, 18 diphenylethers, 14 biphenyls and 15 different biphenyl derivatives. The binding affinities were calculated as negative logarithm of the concentration needed to remove 50% of radiolabeled 2,3,7,8- tetrachlorodibenzo-*p*-dioxin (TCDD) from the aryl hydrocarbon receptor (AhR). Chemicals were tested on the cytochrome *P*-450 isoenzymes purified from rat liver cytosol.

The second data set was obtained from Waller and McKinney's work in 1995. This data set was eliminated by Lo Piparo and co-workers (2006). Initially, they removed five compounds from the original data set, which had 99 compounds, since the exact binding data was not readily available. In addition to that, one more compound was eliminated, since it was the duplicate of another compound in the data set. In this study, three more compounds were eliminated since they had the exact same structures and binding affinities (Lo Piparo et al., 2006; Waller and McKinney, 1995). The remaining 90 chemicals comprise 25 dibenzo-*p*-dioxins, 35 dibenzofurans, 14 biphenyls, 5 naphthalenes, 7 indolocarbazoles and 4 indolocarbazole derivatives. Again, the binding affinities ( $\text{pIC}_{50}$ ) were calculated as negative logarithm of the concentration needed to displace 50% of radiolabeled 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-*p*-dioxin (TCDD) from the aryl hydrocarbon receptor (AhR). However, these compiled data were from different laboratories that used 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzofuran (TCDF) as an internal standard to eliminate laboratory variations. Therefore, all binding affinities were normalized to a value of 8.444 for TCDF. Data set ranges of TCDD and TCDF-like chemicals are given in Figure 3.2.

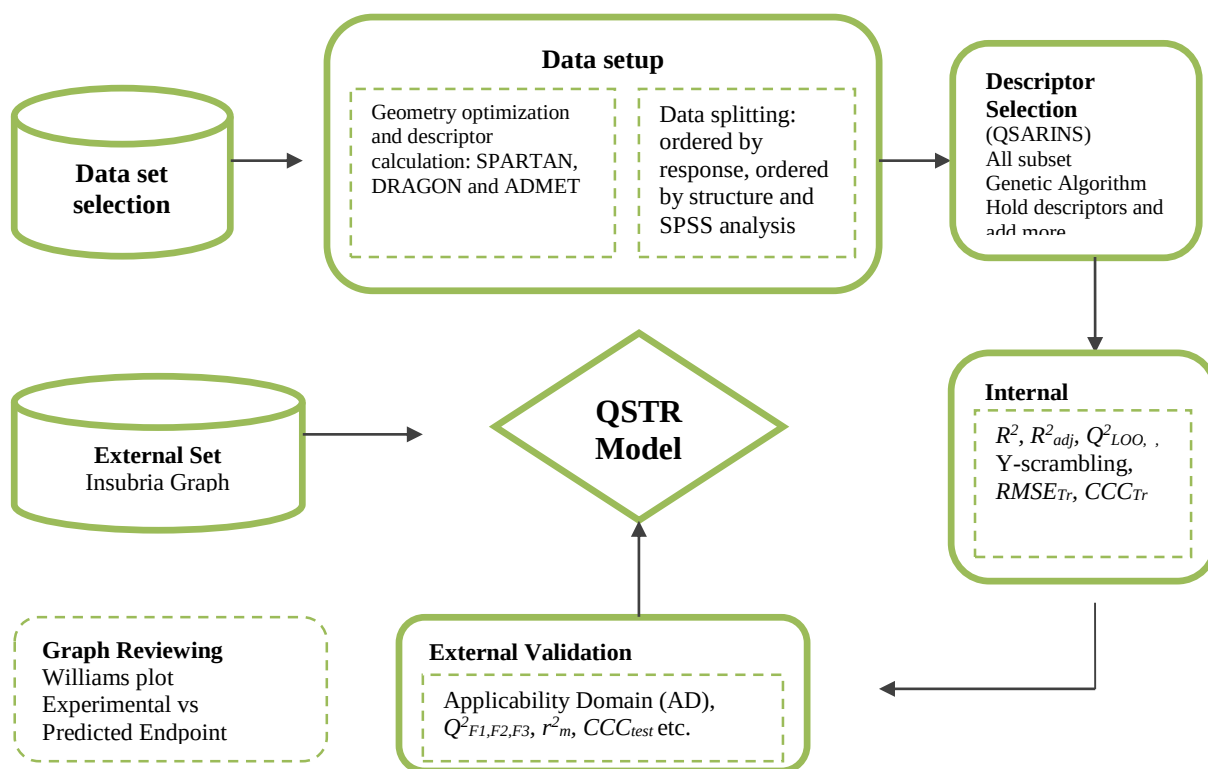


**Figure 3.1.** Data set ranges of TCDD and TCDF-like chemicals. Data Set 1 refers to TCDD-normalized data set, and Data Set 2 refers to TCDF-normalized data set.

TCDD-normalized values of  $pIC_{50}$  ranged from 1.72 to 9.35 mean being a value of 5.49 whereas, TCDF-normalized values of  $pIC_{50}$  ranged from 3.429 to 10.687 with mean being a value of 7.03.

### 3.2. QSA/TR Model development

Flowchart of the model development procedure was given in Figure 3.1. Modelling was done by following dataset preparation, geometry optimization and descriptor calculation, data splitting, descriptor selection, model selection, testing internal and external validation of the model steps. Finally, the final model was tested for its predictive capacity by testing it with compounds outside of the initial data set.



**Figure 3.2.** Flowchart of QSTR Model Development

### 3.3. Structure Optimization and Descriptor Selection

Molecular descriptors were calculated using Spartan 10 (Wavefunction, 2010), Dragon 6.0 (Talete, 2014) and Admet 8.0 software packages. Structures were drawn in Spartan 10 software package, conformers of each chemical were searched by using the Semi-Empirical PM6 method and geometry optimization was done with Semi-Empirical PM6 method again. Aqueous-phase energy ( $E_{aq}$ ) values were calculated for each conformers and the conformer with the lowest  $E_{aq}$  value was selected. For some compounds calculations with Semi-Empirical PM6 method was not possible. Those compounds were calculated with Molecular Mechanics (MMF) and later their geometries were optimized using PM6. However, for some cases Spartan 10 was unable to do MMF calculation as well, in that case those compounds were calculated using Spartan 14 instead.

The lowest energy conformers of the molecules were used for the descriptor calculations. Molecular weight (MW), dipole moment ( $\mu$ ), the energy of the lowest unoccupied molecular orbital ( $E_{LUMO}$ ), the energy of the highest unoccupied molecular



orbital ( $E_{\text{HOMO}}$ ), gas-phase energy ( $E$ ), aqueous-phase energy ( $E_{\text{aq}}$ ), the logarithm of the octanol/water partitioning coefficient ( $\log P$ ), space-filling (CPK) volume and area values were obtained from Spartan 10.

Spartan files were then saved as .mol2 files and loaded to DRAGON 6.0. In addition, .mol2 files were saved as .mol files, and loaded to ADMET 8.0 Software package. DRAGON 6.0 and ADMET 8.0 software packages were used to calculate the exact number of descriptors. 2760 Dragon 6.0 descriptors and 411 ADMET 8.0 descriptors were calculated for the TCDF-normalized data set. 2806 Dragon 6.0 descriptors and 414 ADMET 8.0 descriptors were calculated for TCDD-normalized data set.

Finally, descriptors were saved as a text file which was then loaded into QSARINS (v.2.2.1) software package together with the dependent variable ( $\text{pIC}_{50}$ ) values. Descriptors calculated from Spartan 10 were added to this text file as well. In addition to these descriptors 4 other descriptors,  $E_{\text{HOMO}}-E_{\text{LUMO}}$  gap, hardness ( $\eta$ ), softness ( $S$ ) and electrophilicity ( $\omega$ ), were calculated as described by (Lopachin et al., 2007) and added to the text file.

### 3.4. Training and Test Set Divisions

As stated previously, training and test set divisions are crucial to have a good QSAR/QSTR. In this study, three training/test set divisions were created. Divisions were made by selecting compounds from clusters created in SPSS 22 by using between-groups linkage and squared Euclidean distance method, response order in QSARINS (v.2.2.1) software and principle component analysis tool which uses structural features of chemicals in QSARINS (v.2.2.1) software. Test set chemicals comprises 20% of the total compounds.

### 3.5. Model Development and Validation

Models were developed using Genetic Algorithm (GA), all subset and by holding model and adding selecting variables. All subset can be employed to calculate models with small dimensions, as the combinations grow exponentially when higher dimensions are chosen and that process requires too much time. When all subset method does not give the desired results genetic algorithm method can be employed. This method acts like the natural selection, as the best results eliminate the least successful ones. The selection in GA is mostly random. Completely random selection is avoided by selecting the best descriptors from all subset procedure. The selected descriptors are then used by the GA to build models. GA tool in QSARINS allows modifications in population size, the mutation rate and the number of generations for genetic algorithm. In addition to those methods, one can also add descriptors one by one to an already existing model. Improvements in  $Q^2$  and  $R^2$  can be investigated closely by doing so (Gramatica et al., 2013). Improvements in these two parameters are important in terms of obtaining a valid model; however, the increase should be no less than 0.02 to lead us to the conclusion that the descriptor is actually making a significant contribution to the model.

At this point, it is also important to point out the problems that might occur due to excess number of descriptors used in a model. As the number of descriptors increase in a model, it gets harder to interpret every descriptor and their contribution to the overall equation. Topliss ratio suggests that at least 5 training compounds should be represented with one descriptor. For instance, a training set that has 25 training set compounds should not have more than 5 descriptors (Topliss and Edwards, 1979).

There are usually huge numbers of descriptors that are transferred to QSARINS software. The number of models increases as the number of available descriptors increase. A very huge amount of models that were ever created tend to be useless in the end. It is possible to eliminate some of these unwanted models even before the program starts creating them. This is possible with the QUIK rule. Gramatica et al. (2013) explains “QUIK rule tests whether the total correlation among the block of descriptors ( $K_{XX}$ ) is higher than the correlation among them and responses ( $K_{XY}$ ), that is, a model is excluded if  $K_{XY} - K_{XX} < \delta_K$  is a user defined threshold value.” This threshold value was set to 0.05, as suggested in the

manual of the software. After the model calculation is completed, the selected model should be internally and externally validated. To do so, the model should be tested for some specific parameters which are explained in the following section.

### 3.6. Internal Validation Parameters

Internal validation parameters are: squared correlation coefficient ( $R^2$ ), the adjusted (for degrees of freedom) squared correlation coefficient ( $R^2_{adj}$ ), variance ratio ( $F$ ), standard error ( $s$ ), cross validation leave-one-out ( $Q^2_{LOO}$ ), leave-many-out ( $Q^2_{LMO}$ ), Y-scrambling and the root mean squared error ( $RMSE$ ) of training set.

#### 3.6.1. $R^2$ (Coefficient of determination)

$R^2$  is the coefficient of determination between observed and predicted values in a regression. The value of  $R^2$  can be predicted from the following equation (Eq. 3.1):

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\sum(Y_{obs} - Y_{calc})^2}{\sum(Y_{obs} - \overline{Y_{obs}})^2} \quad (3.1)$$

where,  $Y_{obs}$  is the observed response value,  $Y_{calc}$  is the predicted response and  $\overline{Y_{obs}}$  is the average of the observed response values. The ideal model is the model in which the sum of the squared residuals being 0 and therefore, the value of  $R^2$  is 1. If  $R^2$  is 0, then there is no relationship between the response and the descriptor. In case where  $R^2 > 0.5$  the explained part of the model is greater than the unexplained part (Roy et al., 2015).

#### 3.6.2. $R^2_{adj}$ (Adjusted $R^2$ )

As explained before, there should be a maximum number of descriptors in a model. Obviously, as the descriptor number increases in a model the  $R^2$  value will increase. On the other hand, in some cases, this increase could result with a statistical reliability. So a high value of  $R^2$  does not necessarily mean a robust model. In order to explain the fraction of the data variance explained by the model  $R^2_{adj}$  parameter was created. This parameter can be calculated with the following equation (Eq. 3.2):

$$R_{adj}^2 = \frac{(N-1) \times R^2 - p}{N-1-p} \quad (3.2)$$

where,  $p$  is the number of descriptors and  $N$  is the number of points in a given model (Roy et al., 2015).

### 3.6.3. $F$ (Variance ratio) and $s$ (standard error of estimate)

Variance ratio investigates the significance of the regression coefficient and is represented by the following equation (Eq. 3.3):

$$F = \frac{\frac{\sum(Y_{calc} - \bar{Y})^2}{p}}{\frac{\sum(Y_{obs} - Y_{calc})^2}{N-p-1}} \quad (3.3)$$

Standard error of the estimate can be calculated by the following equation (Eq. 3.4):

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{(Y_{obs} - Y_{calc})^2}{N-p-1}} \quad (3.4)$$

For a robust model, the value of variance ratio should be high and the value of standard estimate should be low (Roy et al., 2015).

### 3.6.4. Leave-one-out (LOO) cross-validation ( $Q^2_{LOO}$ )

Cross-validation is the use of a statistical technique in which varying numbers of compounds are removed from the training set (leave-one-out and leave-many-out). The model is then employed to predict the affinity of the eliminated compounds. This helps to calculate the predictive ability of the model. The threshold value is 0.5 (Cruciani et al., 1992; Eriksson et al., 2003).

In a QSAR/QSTR model, leave-one-out procedure continues until every compound from the training set has been excluded and predicted once. The predicted residual sum of

squares (PRESS) value is used to determine the model's predictive capacity. The equation of  $Q^2_{LOO}$  is given below (Eq. 3.5-6-7):

$$PRESS = \sum (Y_{obs} - Y_{pred})^2 \quad (3.5)$$

$$SDEP = \sqrt{\frac{PRESS}{n}} \quad (3.6)$$

$$Q^2_{LOO} = 1 - \frac{\sum (Y_{obs(train)} - Y_{pred(train)})^2}{\sum (Y_{obs(train)} - \bar{Y}_{training})^2} = 1 - \frac{PRESS}{\sum (Y_{obs(train)} - \bar{Y}_{training})^2} \quad (3.7)$$

where SDEP is the value of standard deviation of error of prediction,  $Y_{obs}$  and  $Y_{pred}$  are the observed and leave-one-out predicted activity,  $n$  is the number of repetitions,  $Y_{obs(train)}$  is the observed activity and  $Y_{pred(train)}$  is the predicted activity.

### 3.6.5. Y-scrambling

Y-scrambling (also known as metrics for chance correlation) is done to understand whether if the model was simply by chance. This method is done by scrambling the response values (Y matrix) while keeping the X matrix as it is. No correlation is expected between the response and the new assigned descriptors (Roy et al., 2015).

## 3.7. External Validation Parameters

Internal validation on its own is not enough to examine a model's validity as it only validates the compounds that are used to build the model. For external validation the data set is generally divided into training and test sets. Training set is then employed to build the model whereas test set is used to check the external validation. External set should be a representative subgroup of the overall data set to ensure the correct validation (Roy et al., 2007).

Parameters of external validation are predictive squared correlation coefficients ( $Q^2_{F1}$ ,  $Q^2_{F2}$  and  $Q^2_{F3}$ ), Golbraikh and Tropsha (2002) method, Concordance Correlation Coefficient (CCC) and the  $r_m^2$  metric.

### 3.7.1. Predictive squared correlation coefficients ( $Q^2_{F1}$ , $Q^2_{F2}$ and $Q^2_{F3}$ )

$Q^2_{F1}$  shows the degree of correlation between the experimental and predicted activity of the data set (Shi et al., 2001).

$$Q^2_{F1} = 1 - \frac{\sum(Y_{obs(test)} - Y_{pred(test)})^2}{\sum(Y_{obs(test)} - \bar{Y}_{training})^2} \quad (3.8)$$

where,  $Y_{obs(test)}$  and  $Y_{pred(test)}$  are the experimental and predicted activity for the data respectively and,  $\bar{Y}_{training}$  is the mean experimental activity of the training set molecules.

The  $Q^2_{F2}$  parameter was described by Schüürmann et al. (2008). The main difference between  $Q^2_{F1}$  and  $Q^2_{F2}$  is that the mean experimental activity is replaced in  $Q^2_{F2}$  with the mean predicted activity.

$$Q^2_{F2} = 1 - \frac{\sum(Y_{obs(test)} - Y_{pred(test)})^2}{\sum(Y_{obs(test)} - \bar{Y}_{test})^2} \quad (3.9)$$

Finally Consonni and co-workers proposed the  $Q^2_{F3}$  parameter (2010).

$$Q^2_{F3} = 1 - \frac{[\sum(Y_{obs(test)} - Y_{pred(test)})^2]/n_{ext}}{[\sum(Y_{obs(test)} - \bar{Y}_{train})^2]/n_{tr}} \quad (3.10)$$

where,  $n_{tr}$  is the number of compounds in the training set. Even though  $Q^2_{F3}$  measures the model's predictivity it is sensitive to training set selection and it criticizes the data set when they are very homogeneous.

### 3.7.2. Concordance Correlation Coefficient (CCC) for test set

The CCC parameter can be calculated with the following equation:

$$\bar{\rho}_c = \frac{2 \sum (x_{obs(test)} - \overline{x_{obs(test)}})(y_{pred(test)} - \overline{y_{pred(test)}})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_{obs(test)} - \overline{x_{obs(test)}})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{pred(test)} - \overline{y_{pred(test)}})^2 + n(\overline{x_{obs(test)}} - \overline{y_{pred(test)}})^2} \quad (3.11)$$

where,  $\bar{\rho}_c$  refers to the Concordance Correlation Coefficient of test set ( $CCC_{Test}$ ),  $x_{obs(test)}$  and  $y_{pred(test)}$  refer to experimental and predicted values of the test compounds,  $n$  is the number of compounds,  $\overline{x_{obs(test)}}$  and  $\overline{y_{pred(test)}}$  refer to the average of the experimental and predicted values for the test compounds. Ideally, CCC should have a value of 1. Concordance Correlation Coefficient measures both the distance of observations to the fitting line and the distance which the regression line deviates from slope 1 passing through the origin. Thus, CCC value is often result smaller than its ideal value of 1 (Chirico and Gramatica, 2011).

### 3.7.3. The $r_m^2$

The  $r_m^2$  predicts the relationship between the order of the experimental activity and the predicted activity. Ideally, the difference between these two is expected to be 0 in the case where the experimental and predicted values fit each other (Ojha et al., 2011). The  $r_m^2$  can be calculated with the following equation:

$$r_m^2 = r^2(1 - \sqrt{r^2 - r_0^2}) \quad (3.12)$$

where  $r_0^2$  is the squared correlation coefficient between the experimental and predicted values of the test set compounds as the intercept is fixed to 0. The value of  $r^2$  is always greater than the value of  $r_0^2$ . In a robust model the value of  $r_m^2$  is greater than 0.5 (Ojha et al., 2011).

### 3.7.4. Golbraikh and Tropsha method

Golbraikh and Tropsha (2002) set some criteria for external prediction. If all these criteria are met, they say, and then the proposed model has a degree of validation:

- i.  $Q^2_{Tr} > 0.5$
- ii.  $R^2_{Test} > 0.6$
- iii.  $\frac{r^2 - r_0^2}{r^2} < 0.1$  and  $0.85 \leq k \leq 1.15$  or  
 $\frac{r^2 - r_0^2}{r^2} < 0.1$  and  $0.85 \leq k' \leq 1.15$  or
- iv.  $|r_0^2 - r'^2_0|$

In addition to those external validity can be determined from the root mean square error (RMSE) in prediction. It can be calculated by using the following equation:

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (y_{obs(test)} - y_{pred(test)})^2}{n_{ext}}} \quad (3.13)$$

where,  $n_{ext}$  refers to the number of test set chemicals (Golbraikh and Tropsha, 2002).

### 3.7.5. Mean Absolute Error (MAE) based criteria

Error based metrics like *PRESS*, *RMSE* and *MAE* can be useful in times where  $Q^2_{ext}$  metrics may be untrustworthy. Among these, *RMSE* is thought to be more complex than *MAE*. Squaring the high prediction errors will have more effect compared to low prediction errors. On the other hand, when calculated with *MAE* both prediction errors have the same weight which makes it a simpler and more reliable method.

$$MAE = \frac{1}{n_{ext}} \sum [Y_{obs} - Y_{pred}] \quad (3.14)$$



i. Good predictions:

From a general notation, an error of 10% of the training set range should be acceptable while an error value more than 20% of the training set should be a very high error. Thus, the criteria for good predictions should be the following:

$$MAE \leq 0.1 \times \text{training set range and } MAE + 3\delta \leq 0.2 \times \text{training set range}$$

Where, the  $\delta$  value refers to the standard deviation of the absolute error values for the test set data. Considering a normal distribution pattern,  $\text{mean} \pm 3\delta$  covers 99.7% of the data points.

ii. Bad predictions:

A value of *MAE* more than 15% of the training set range should be high while an error more than 25% of the training set is considered very high. Hence, the predictions could be considered very high. Hence, the predictions could be considered when:

$$MAE > 0.15 \times \text{training set range or } MAE + 3\delta > 0.25 \times \text{training set range.}$$

The predictions which do not fall under either of the above two conditions may be considered as of moderate quality. The mentioned criteria should be used in cases where there are more than 10 data points in the test set (Roy et al., 2016).

### 3.8. Applicability Domain (AD)

Applicability domain was defined as “the theoretical region in the chemical space constructed by both the model descriptors and modelled response” by Roy et al. (2015). It is a very important parameter for external validation. AD is one of the five OECD criteria. It estimates the similarity of individual compound's to the rest of the data set.

The plot of standardised residuals versus leverages (hat values,  $h$ ) gives the response outliers (Y-outliers) as well as the structure outliers (X-outliers). Standardised outliers are given in the Y-axis of the graph and the leverage values are given in the X-axis.

The leverage value of the Applicability Domain is  $3 \times p/n$ ; where  $n$  is the number of training compounds and  $p$  being the number of descriptors. Compounds with high leverage generally remain outside of the AD, thus, their predictions are not reliable. On the other

hand, the response outliers are taken into consideration with the standardised residuals are greater than three standard deviation units ( $> 3\sigma$ ) (Gramatica, 2007; Gramatica et al., 2013).

### 3.9. Insubria Graph

Insubria Graph is used to predict the unknown endpoints from the model equation regarding the applicability domain of the developed model. Internal and external validation are done to find the most robust and valid model among many others. Once the model is obtained, it can be used to predict the modelled endpoints for compounds with no relevant data. In this study, AhR values ( $\text{pIC}_{50}$ ) of approximately 1000 compounds were predicted from the generated models and the Insubria graphs were presented in the Results and Discussion section to investigate if the predicted values fall in the applicability domain of the relevant models. Compounds in the external set are selected based on the fact that their environmental occurrence or they were reported as dioxin-like AhR receptors previously.

## 4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### 4.1. Model Development

Both data sets were divided into two groups: test and training sets. Training sets were comprised of 81% of the entire data set for both of the models. Compounds for the test set were made considering many criteria. First,  $pIC_{50}$  values of both data sets (TCDD and TCDF-normalized) were listed in increasing order, compounds with minimum and maximum  $pIC_{50}$  values were left in the training set. Further splitting was made using the tool in QSARINS 2.2.1 software. Different models were created using the response and structure splitting setups. In addition, SPSS 22 software was employed to create new splitting. Cluster analysis was done using the group linkage and square Euclidian distance methods. The test sets which resulted with the most robust models are given in Table 4.1. and Table 4.2. for TCDD and TCDF-normalized data sets.

**Table 4.1.** Test set chemicals and their experimental  $pIC_{50}$  values used in the QSTR model generated for the TCDD-normalized data set.

| CAS R.N     | Name                                   | $pIC_{50}$ | References           |
|-------------|----------------------------------------|------------|----------------------|
| 189084-61-5 | 2,3',4,4'-tetrabromodiphenyl ether     | 2.70       | Chen et al.,<br>2001 |
| 5436-43-1   | 2,2',4,4'-tetrabromodiphenyl ether     | 3.25       | Chen et al.,<br>2001 |
| 51230-49-0  | 2-chlorodibenzofuran                   | 3.55       | Safe 1990            |
| 189084-62-6 | 2,4',5',6-tetrabromodiphenyl ether     | 3.87       | Chen et al.,<br>2001 |
| 67651-34-7  | 4'-hydroxy-2,3,4,5-tetrachlorobiphenyl | 4.05       | Safe 1985            |
| 25074-67-3  | 3-chlorodibenzofuran                   | 4.38       | Safe 1990            |
| 82845-24-7  | 4'-fluoro-2,3,4,5-tetrachlorobiphenyl  | 4.60       | Safe 1985            |
| 70424-68-9  | 2,3,3',4',5-pentachlorobiphenyl        | 4.85       | Safe 1985            |
| 64126-87-0  | 1,2,4,8-tetrachlorodibenzofuran        | 5.00       | Safe 1990            |

Table 4.1. Continued.

| CAS R.N    | Name                                         | pIC <sub>50</sub> | References |
|------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|
| 38380-08-4 | 2,3,3',4,4',5-hexachlorobiphenyl             | 5.15              | Safe 1985  |
| 88966-76-1 | 4'-acetyl-2,3,4,5-tetrachlorobiphenyl        | 5.17              | Safe 1985  |
| 38380-08-4 | 2,3,3',4,4',5'-hexachlorobiphenyl            | 5.33              | Safe 1985  |
| 83704-39-6 | 1,3,6-trichlorodibenzofuran                  | 5.36              | Safe 1990  |
| 88966-68-1 | 4'-ethyl-2,3,4,5-tetrachlorobiphenyl         | 5.46              | Safe 1985  |
| 30746-58-8 | 1,2,3,4-tetrachlorodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin | 5.89              | Safe 1990  |
| 83704-53-4 | 1,2,3,7,9-pentachlorodibenzofuran            | 6.40              | Safe 1990  |
| 58802-16-7 | 1,3,4,7,8-pentachlorodibenzofuran            | 6.70              | Safe 1990  |
| 34816-53-0 | 1,2,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin | 6.80              | Safe 1990  |
| 57117-41-6 | 1,2,3,7,8-pentachlorodibenzofuran            | 7.13              | Safe 1990  |
| 51207-31-9 | 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzofuran              | 7.39              | Safe 1990  |

**Table 4.2.** Test set chemicals and their experimental  $pIC_{50}$  values used in the QSTR model generated for the TCDF-normalized data set.

| CAS R.N     | Chemicals                                                 | $pIC_{50}^*$ |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1746-01-6   | 2,3,6,7-tetrachlorodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin              | 4.405        |
| 33857-28-2  | 2,3,7-trichlorodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin                  | 4.689        |
| 38964-22-6  | 2,8-dichlorodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin                     | 5.482        |
| 82306-65-8  | 1,3,7,8-tetrabromodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin               | 5.715        |
| 39073-07-9  | 2,7-dibromodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin                      | 6.057        |
| 105906-36-3 | 2-bromodibenzo- <i>p</i> -dioxin                          | 6.281        |
| 83704-45-4  | 2,6,7-trichlorodibenzofuran                               | 6.857        |
| 83704-32-9  | 2,3,4,8-tetrachlorodibenzofuran                           | 7.255        |
| 64126-87-0  | 1,2,4,8-tetrachlorodibenzofuran                           | 7.464        |
| 70648-26-9  | 1,2,3,4,7,8-hexachlorodibenzofuran                        | 7.587        |
| 38380-08-4  | 2,3,3',4,4',5-hexachlorobiphenyl                          | 7.657        |
| 52663-72-6  | 2,3',4,4',5,5'-hexachlorobiphenyl                         | 7.768        |
| 35065-27-1  | 2,2',4,4',5,5'-hexachlorobiphenyl                         | 7.996        |
| 33284-53-6  | 2,3,4,5-tetrachlorobiphenyl                               | 8.171        |
| 33649-67-1  | 1,2,3,5,6,7-hexabromonaphthalene                          | 8.482        |
| 241-34-9    | Benzo[1,2- <i>b</i> :4,5- <i>b'</i> ]bis[1]benzothiophene | 8.927        |
| 57-97-6     | 7,12-dimethylbenz[ <i>a</i> ]anthracene                   | 9.943        |

\*Data were taken from Waller and McKinney, 1995.

Models were created using All Subsets and Genetic Algorithm (GA) options in QSARINS 2.2.1 software. QUICK Rule was set to 0.05 before starting to scan for models in order to eliminate the models with intercorrelated descriptors.

Models with descriptor numbers varying from 1 to 7 were created. Best models were chosen through a process of elimination. Selection was made on models' internal and external validation criteria. Moreover, models were tested for their external prediction ability and further elimination was done regarding the number of compounds left outside of the applicability domain. In this thesis, the best three models and some of their internal and external validation parameters are presented in Table 4.3. The highlighted models represent the most valid and robust model for each data set.

**Table 4.3.** Developed models for AhR using TCDF and TCDD-normalized data sets, and their fit, internal and external parameters.

| Model No | Number of Variables | Variables                                              | Fitting Criteria and Internal Validation Parameters |             |             |             |      |       |            | External Validation Parameters |            |            |            |              |               |              |
|----------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------|-------|------------|--------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
|          |                     |                                                        | $R^2$                                               | $R^2_{adj}$ | $Q^2_{LOO}$ | $RMSE_{Tr}$ | $s$  | $F$   | $CCC_{Tr}$ | $R^2_{Test}$                   | $Q^2_{F1}$ | $Q^2_{F2}$ | $Q^2_{F3}$ | $CCC_{Test}$ | $RMSE_{Test}$ | $MAE_{Test}$ |
| TCDF_1   | 6                   | MPC09 SpAbs_Dz(p)<br>MATS5s Tm B04[O-Cl]<br>F04[Cl-Cl] | 0.84                                                | 0.82        | 0.80        | 0.67        | 0.70 | 56.35 | 0.91       | 0.94                           | 0.93       | 0.93       | 0.95       | 0.96         | 0.38          | 0.31         |
| TCDF_2   | 6                   | Tm B04[O-Cl] F04[Cl-Cl]<br>TPSA(NO)<br>M_POL N_Rings   | 0.84                                                | 0.82        | 0.80        | 0.66        | 0.70 | 56.85 | 0.91       | 0.84                           | 0.81       | 0.81       | 0.86       | 0.88         | 0.63          | 0.53         |
| TCDF_3   | 7                   | RFD MATS5s Tm<br>nHAcc B04[O-Cl]<br>F04[Cl-Cl] LOC     | 0.85                                                | 0.83        | 0.82        | 0.64        | 0.68 | 52.49 | 0.92       | 0.91                           | 0.89       | 0.89       | 0.92       | 0.94         | 0.48          | 0.37         |
| TCDD_2   | 6                   | MATS5m RDF065s<br>F09[C-Br] M_RNG<br>RgGrav__3D MATS5v | 0.85                                                | 0.84        | 0.83        | 0.64        | 0.66 | 77.84 | 0.92       | 0.80                           | 0.78       | 0.77       | 0.84       | 0.89         | 0.66          | 0.54         |
| TCDD_3   | 6                   | MATS5m MATS5v<br>RDF070m F09[C-Br]<br>M_RNG RgGrav__3D | 0.85                                                | 0.84        | 0.82        | 0.65        | 0.68 | 74.20 | 0.92       | 0.82                           | 0.82       | 0.81       | 0.87       | 0.91         | 0.61          | 0.50         |
| TCDD_4   | 6                   | MATS5m MATS5v<br>F09[C-Br] M_RNG<br>RgGrav__3D Mor03v  | 0.84                                                | 0.83        | 0.81        | 0.67        | 0.70 | 70.02 | 0.91       | 0.91                           | 0.91       | 0.90       | 0.94       | 0.95         | 0.41          | 0.32         |

The highlighted models in Table 4.3. TCDD\_4 and TCDF\_3 give the following equations, Eq. 4.1. and Eq 4.2. for AhR (pIC<sub>50</sub>) predictions of TCDD and TCDF-like chemicals, respectively.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pIC}_{50}, \text{ TCDD} = & - 3.605(\pm 0.744) - 3.930(\pm 0.816) \text{ MATS5m} + 4.812(\pm 0.844) \\ & \text{MATS5v} - 1.237(\pm 0.160) \text{ F09[C-Br]} + 2.018(\pm 0.197) \text{ M\_RNG} + 2.692 (\pm 0.247) \\ & \text{RgGrav\_3D} + 0.863(\pm 0.223) \text{ Mor03v} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.1})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pIC}_{50}, \text{ TCDF} = & - 1.468(\pm 0.595) + 3.392(\pm 1.038) \text{ RFD} - 1.450(\pm 0.489) \text{ MATS5s} + \\ & 0.635(\pm 0.039) \text{ Tm} - 0.609(\pm 0.149) \text{ nHAcc} + 1.408 (\pm 0.245) \text{ B04[O-Cl]} - 0.535(\pm 0.110) \\ & \text{F04[Cl-Cl]} - 1.360(\pm 0.510) \text{ LOC} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2})$$

In these equations, numbers in parenthesis indicate the standard deviation of the coefficient of descriptors.

By looking at descriptors regression coefficients we can discuss that MATS5v was the most significant descriptor for the TCDD-based model. It was followed by MATS5m, RgGrav\_\_3D, M\_RNG, F09[C-Br] and Mor03v. Among these MATS5v, M\_RNG, Mor03v and RgGrav\_\_3D had a positive effect on AhR which means as the value of these descriptors increase for a chemical, so does the pIC<sub>50</sub> value. On the other hand MATS5m and F09[C-Br] had a negative effect on AhR which means as the value of these descriptors increase for a chemical, pIC<sub>50</sub> value decreases.

By looking at descriptors regression coefficients we can discuss that RFD was the most significant descriptor for the TCDF-based model. It was followed by MATS5s, B04[O-Cl], LOC, nHAcc and F04[O-Cl]. Among these RFD, Tm and B04[O-Cl] had a positive effect on AhR which means as the value of these descriptors increase for a chemical, so does the pIC<sub>50</sub> value. On the other hand MATS5s, nHAcc, F04[O-Cl] and LOC had a negative effect on AhR which means as the value of these descriptors increase for a chemical, pIC<sub>50</sub> value decreases.

#### 4.2. QSTR Model of pIC<sub>50</sub> using TCDD-normalized Data Set

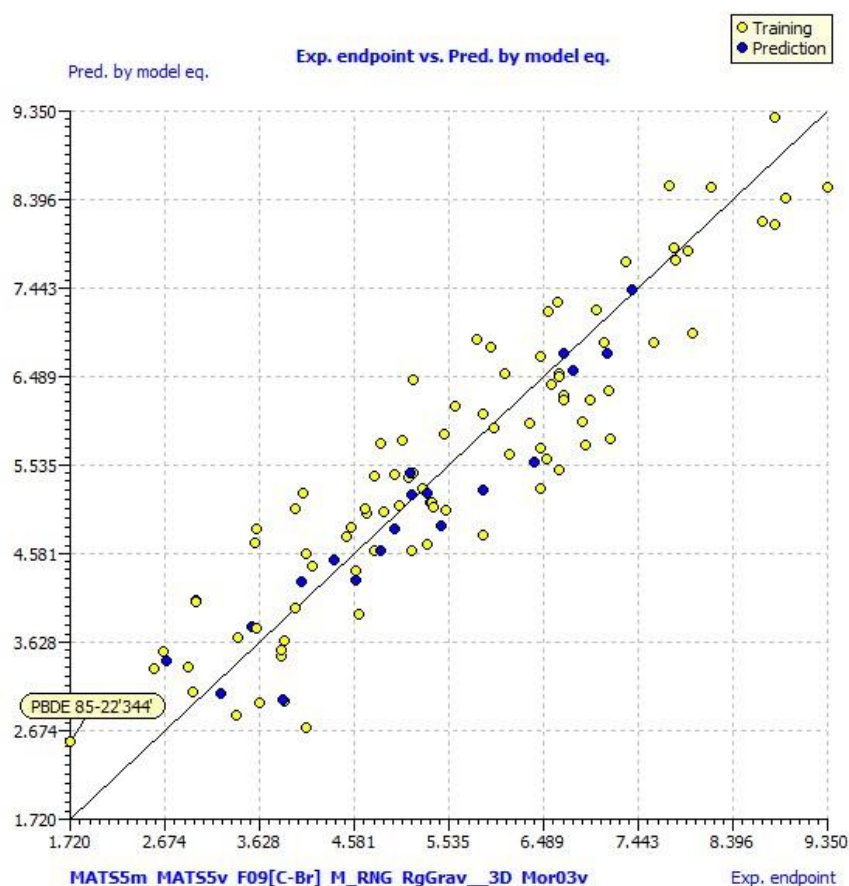
By looking at some parameters one can claim that both QSTR models generated for AhR using TCDD and TCDF-normalized data sets are valid and robust. For instance, for the QSTR model of TCDD-normalized data set (Eq. 4.1)  $Q^2_{\text{LOO}}$  and  $R^2$  values are high (0.8102 and 0.8400, respectively) which indicates that the model has a satisfying internal validation metrics. In addition,  $Q^2_{\text{Yscr}}$  and  $R^2_{\text{Yscr}}$  values affirm that the model was not build by chance, but instead it is quite robust. Likewise,  $R^2_{\text{Test}}$  and  $RMSE_{\text{Test}}$  values are 0.9103 and 0.4065, respectively which points out the strength of its external predictive ability. For further investigation we can test whether if the model's parameters pass the Golbraikh and Tropsha criteria (2002).

For Eq.4.1,  $R^2_{\text{Tr}}$  and  $R^2_{\text{Test}}$  are 0.840 and 0.910,  $k$  and  $k'$  values are 1.028 and 0.968, and  $r_0^2$  and  $r_0'^2$  values are 0.910 and 0.902, respectively. With these parameters' value, the model satisfies the Golbraikh and Tropsha (2002) criteria.

The  $r_m^2$  value for the mentioned model is 0.869. This value is very close to the  $r_0^2$  value which indicates its good external prediction.

Lastly, testing Roy's (2016)  $MAE$  criteria for external prediction which is;  $MAE \leq 0.1 \times \text{training set range}$  and  $MAE + 3\delta \leq 0.2 \times \text{training set range}$ .  $MAE$  (95% of the data) is 0.292 and  $MAE + 3\delta$  value is 0.988 for the QSTR model of TCDD-like chemicals and the training set range is 7.630. Therefore, the model complies both of the criteria given above that proves its good external prediction ability once more.





**Figure 4.1.** Predicted  $pIC_{50}$  from Eq. 4.1 vs. experimental  $pIC_{50}$  for the training and test sets of the TCDD-normalized data set; with training set chemicals in yellow color and test set chemicals in blue.

Figure 4.1 shows the plot of experimental and predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values from the model equation (Eq 4.1). This model was made using 6 descriptors from different blocks from different software packages. Two descriptors (MATS5m and MATS5v) from 2D Autocorrelations block, one (Mor03v) from 3D-MoRSE descriptors block and one (F09[C-Br]) from 2D Atom Pairs block were calculated using DRAGON 6.0 software. The remaining two descriptors were calculated with ADMET 8.0 software and one of the descriptors (RgGrav\_3D) was from the 3D Descriptors block, and the final descriptor (M\_RNG) was a Moriguchi Descriptor. The relevant blocks of descriptors appeared in Eq 4.1 and their descriptions were given in Table 4.4.

**Table 4.4.** List of descriptors appeared in Eq. 4.1.

| <b>Abbreviation<br/>of Descriptor</b> | <b>Description</b>                                                                                  | <b>Block</b>                          |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>MATS5m</b>                         | Moran autocorrelation of lag 5 weighted by<br>mass                                                  | 2D<br>autocorrelations                |
| <b>MATS5v</b>                         | Moran autocorrelation of lag 5 weighted by<br>van der Waals volume                                  | 2D<br>autocorrelations                |
| <b>Mor03v</b>                         | signal 03 / weighted by van der Waals<br>volume                                                     | 3D-MoRSE<br>descriptors               |
| <b>F09[C-Br]</b>                      | Frequency of C - Br at topological distance 9                                                       | 2D Atom Pairs                         |
| <b>M_RNG</b>                          | Indicator variable for the presence of ring<br>structures except benzene and its condensed<br>rings | Moriguchi<br>Descriptors for<br>MlogP |
| <b>RgGrav__3D</b>                     | Gravitational radius of gyration                                                                    | 3D Descriptors                        |

DRAGON organizes names of descriptors as follows: the number in the name of the descriptor refers to the number of computation, autocorrelation vector of lag  $n$  with  $n$  being the number of bonds in the unit. The last character usually refers to the physiochemical property regarding its weighting. For instance  $e$  indicates Sanderson electronegativity,  $m$  indicates atomic mass,  $s$  indicates I-state,  $p$  indicates polarizability and  $v$  indicates van der Waals volume (Kier et al., 1991).

Two of the descriptors used in building the model for chemicals with TCDD-like effects (Eq. 4.1) were from 2D Autocorrelations block of DRAGON 6.0 software. These descriptors  $A(d)$ , in general, are calculated using the following function (Eq 4.3):

$$A(d) = \sum_{j=1}^a \sum_{i=1}^a \sigma(d_{ij} - d) p_i p_j$$

$$\sigma = \begin{cases} 1 & (d_{ij} = d) \\ 0 & (d_{ij} \neq d) \end{cases} \quad (4.3)$$

Where  $d$  refers to a topological distance which can take a number between 1 and the maximum distance in a given molecule,  $\sigma$  is a function of  $d_{ij}$ , which is the topological distance between atoms  $i$  and  $j$ ,  $a$  refers to the amount of atoms in the given molecule and  $p_i p_j$  are the properties of atoms  $i$  and  $j$ , respectively. The Moreau-Broto function, Moran and Geary functions belong to 2D Autocorrelations descriptor block; however there are slight differences between them. The latter two, calculate the real autocorrelation by taking mean and standard deviation in account for the given property. The Moran coefficient is calculated with the given equation (Eq. 4.4):

$$I_k = \frac{\frac{1}{\Delta_k} \sum_{i=1}^A \sum_{j=1}^A (w_i - \bar{w})(w_j - \bar{w}) \delta(d_{ij}; k)}{\frac{1}{A} \sum_{i=1}^A (w_i - \bar{w})^2} \quad (4.4)$$

where  $w_i$  is any atomic property,  $\bar{w}$  is average value of the molecule,  $A$  is the number of atoms,  $k$  is the lag, and  $d_{ij}$  is the topological distance between the atoms  $i$  and  $j$ ,  $\delta$  is the Kronecker delta which is equal to 1, if  $d_{ij} = k$  zero and  $\Delta_k$  is the number of vertex pairs at distance equal to  $k$ . Moran coefficient generally changes from -1 to +1 (Moran, 1949 as indicated in Consonni and Todeschini, 2010).

Two descriptors, namely MATS5m and MATS5v, from the 2D-autocorrelation descriptor group appeared in Eq 4.1 which were weighted by atomic mass and van der Waals volume, respectively. The contribution of this descriptor to AhR binding affinity seem to be compound specific as the sign of the descriptor values are positive or negative for chemicals in the same group (i.e. PBDE).

3D- Molecule Representation of Structures based on Electron diffraction (3-D MoRSE descriptors) descriptors obtain theoretical scattering curves by using the data gathered from 3D atomic coordinates. Descriptors are calculated with the following equation (Eq. 4.5):

$$I(s) = \sum_{i=1}^{A-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^A w_i w_j \frac{\sin(s \cdot r_{ij})}{s \cdot r_{ij}}$$

$$s = 4\pi \cdot \sin\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right) / \lambda \quad (4.5)$$

where,  $I(s)$  is the intensity of scattered radiation,  $\lambda$  is the wavelength and  $\nu$  is the scattering angle (Soltzberg and Wilkins, 1977 as indicated in Consonni and Todeschini, 2010).

3D-MoRSE (3D-Molecular Representation of Structure based on Electron diffraction) descriptors describe the distribution of the atoms in three-dimensional geometry of molecules and hence can reveal the skeleton and substituent information for a molecule.

When atomic properties appear as weighting factor; these descriptors encode the distribution of the atomic properties in molecules, as such, atomic van der Waals volume weighted Mor03v appeared in TCDD-based model reflects the importance of substituents in the molecule together with their atomic van der Waals volume.

In the QSTR model generated for the prediction of AhR of chemicals with TCDD-normalized data (Eq. 4.1) Mor03v (Morse signal no 03 calculated by weighted van der Waals volume) was used.

The last DRAGON descriptor used in Eq 4.1 was F09[C-Br] which belongs to 2D Atom Pairs descriptor block. These are substructure descriptors, which are vectorial descriptors gathering numbers of occurrences of predefined structural traits, i.e. atom pairs, in molecules or binary variables indicating their occurrence or absence (Lynch et al., 1970). F09[C-Br] descriptor calculates any given pair of atoms and bonds types that connect them and calculated as follows:

$$AP = [i\text{th atom description}][\text{separation}][j\text{th atom description}]$$

$i$  and  $j$  atoms should not be directly connected to each other and the separation should be between topological distance (Carhart et al., 1985).

F09[C-Br] is the frequency of C-Br at topological distance of nine in the structure of a molecule and only PBDE group chemicals in the TCDD-normalized data set have value for this descriptor ranging from 1 to 2. It is obvious that only PBDE group has bromine as substituent in their skeleton. Therefore, this descriptor is accepted as indicator variable in Eq. 4.1. As the frequency of C-Br at topological distance of nine in the skeleton of a xenobiotic increases, its binding affinity to AhR decreases.

The remaining two descriptors in this model were calculated by ADMET 8.0 software. One of these descriptors was M\_RNG which belong to the Moriguchi Descriptors for MlogP block. The descriptor value could be either 0 or 1 depending on the occurrence of ring structure that is not benzene and its condensed rings.

M\_RNG is an indicator variable for the presence of ring structures except benzene and its condensed rings, and its value is 0 for PCBs and their derivatives and most of the PBDE in the training set (Eq. 4.1). It seems that xenobiotics with this kind of ring structure have a higher binding affinity to AhR.

The final descriptor that has been selected for Eq.4.1 was calculated by ADMET 8.0 software as well. The RgGrav\_\_3D descriptor is a 3D descriptor. It calculates the gravitational radius of gyration which is a measure of molecular compactness. Descriptor would get a small value if the majority of atoms in the compound are close to the center of mass. For planar molecules  $I_C = 0$  it (where I is inertia) can be calculated from the equation given below (Eq. 4. 6):

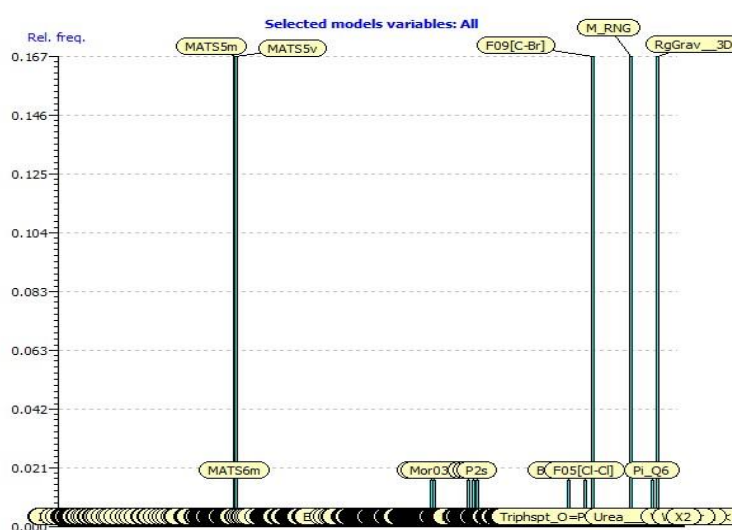
$$R_G = \sqrt{\frac{(I_A I_B)^{1/2}}{MW}} \quad (4. 6)$$

And for non planar molecules (Eq. 4. 7):

$$R_G = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi(I_A I_B I_C)^{1/3}}{MW}} \quad (4.7)$$

Since small values are obtained when most of the atoms are close to the center of mass, PCDD, PCDF and PCBs seem to have compact structure compared to most of the PBDEs, PBDDs and derivatives of PCBs, PBCDDs. Regarding the positive sign of RgGrav\_\_3D in Eq 4.1 as the degree that the structure spreads out from its center, the binding affinity of this structure to AhR increases.

Figure 4.2 shows the relative frequency of descriptors appeared in TCDD-normalized model. Many of the descriptors and the descriptors in the same blocks in this model have been selected in other QSAR studies before.



**Figure 4.2.** Relative frequency of descriptors appeared in the model Equation 4.1.

Mechanistic explanation for binding of xenobiotics to AhR regarding the definitions of descriptors appeared in Eq 4.1. can be done as follows.

The Eq. 4.1 demonstrates the effect of 3D structures of xenobiotics (conformation of a molecule) as encoded by both Mor03v and RgGrav\_3D descriptors. Structural connectivity, compactness of the molecule (RgGrav\_3D), skeleton and substituent information of the

molecule (Mor03v), atomic van der Waals volume (MATS5v and Mor3v), frequency and specific position of C-Br group (F09[C-Br]), ring structure type (M\_RNG), atomic mass (MATS5m) played important roles in AhR binding affinity of TCDD-like chemicals. MATS5v played the most significant role among these descriptors. It was followed by MATS5m, RgGrav\_\_3D, M\_RNG, F09[C-Br] and Mor03v.

F09[C-Br] appeared in the QSTR model constructed by Ruffa (2013). Ruffa used exactly the same data set that we used in the present study. In addition to that she used Mor30p, which belongs to 3D-MoRSE descriptor block. Papa et al. (2010) selected many descriptors including RGyr (radius of gyration), Mor08e, MATS6v and Mor22u to develop different QSAR models in order to predict endocrine-disrupting potencies of brominated flame retardants (brominated diphenyl ethers and their hydroxylated derivatives). In addition to those, Li et al. (2011) also developed a QSAR model with a data set comprised of PCBs, PCDDs and PCDFs to predict their binding affinities on the Ah receptor and their model included RGyr and Mor14u descriptors. Finally, Tugcu et al. (2012) used Mor32u as they were investigating the toxic effects of pharmaceuticals on fish. And more recently, they selected Mor09m descriptor to represent phenolic compounds in their QSAR model (Tugcu et al., 2017).

#### 4.3. QSTR Model of pIC<sub>50</sub> Using TCDF-normalized Data Set

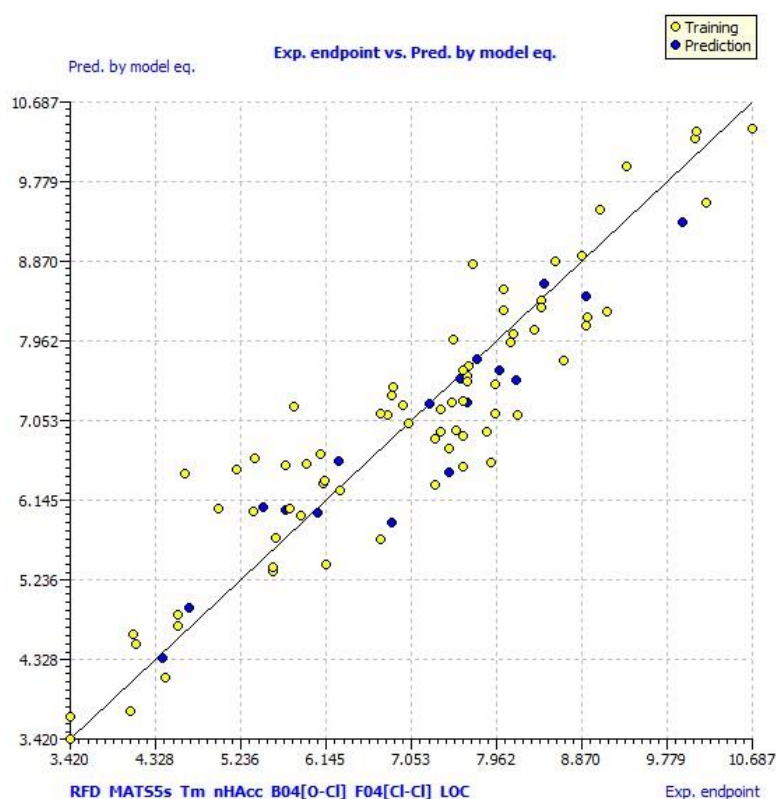
$Q^2_{\text{LOO}}$ , and  $R^2$  values for the QSTR model generated by using the TCDF-normalized data set (Eq. 4.2) are high (0.815 and 0.850, respectively) and they are very close to the values of Eq. 4.1. These high values of the model indicate the strength of model's fit and internal validation. Moreover,  $Q^2_{\text{Yscr}}$  and  $R^2_{\text{Yscr}}$  values affirm that the model was not build by chance but instead it is quite robust.  $R^2_{\text{Test}}$  and  $RMSE_{\text{Test}}$  values for this QSTR model are 0.9133 and 0.476, respectively. Just like in the QSTR model (Eq. 4.1), this model (Eq. 4.2) has also a good external predictive ability.  $RMSE_{\text{Test}}$  of Eq. 4.2 is slightly higher compared to that of Eq.4.1, and their  $R^2_{\text{Test}}$  values are close to each another.

This model (Eq. 4.2.) also passes the Golbraikh and Tropsha criteria as  $R^2_{\text{Tr}}$  and  $R^2_{\text{Test}}$  are 0.850 and 0.913,  $k$  and  $k'$  values are 1.027 and 0.970, and  $r_0^2$  and  $r'^2_0$  values are 0.910 and 0.890, respectively.

The  $r_m^2$  value for the TCDF-based model is 0.798. This value is very close to the  $r_0^2$  value which indicates its good external prediction.

Finally,  $MAE$  (95% of the data) is 0.326 and  $MAE + 3\delta$  is 1.160 for the TCDF-based model and the training set range is 7.258. Therefore, the model complies both of the criteria given above that proves its good external prediction ability once again.

The plot of experimental and predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values from Eq. 4.2 is given in Figure 4.3. This model includes 7 descriptors from different blocks of DRAGON 6.0 software. MATS5v is from 2D Autocorrelations block, RFD from Ring descriptors block, Tm from WHIM descriptors block, nHAcc from Functional group counts, B04[O-Cl] and F04[Cl-Cl] from 2D Atom Pairs block and finally LOC from topological indices block. The relevant blocks of descriptors appeared in Eq. 4.2 and their description were given in Table 4.5.



**Figure 4.3.** Predicted  $pIC_{50}$  from Eq. 4.2 vs. experimental  $pIC_{50}$  for the training and test sets of the TCDF-normalized data set; with training set chemicals in yellow color and test set chemicals in blue.



**Table 4.5.** List of descriptors appeared in the Eq. 4.2.

| Abbreviation of Descriptor | Description                                          | Block                   |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>RFD</b>                 | ring fusion density                                  | Ring descriptors        |
| <b>MATS5s</b>              | Moran autocorrelation of lag 5 weighted by I-state   | 2D autocorrelations     |
| <b>Tm</b>                  | T total size index / weighted by mass                | WHIM descriptors        |
| <b>nHAcc</b>               | number of acceptor atoms for H-bonds (N,O,F)         | Functional group counts |
| <b>B04[O-Cl]</b>           | Presence/absence of O - Cl at topological distance 4 | 2D Atom Pairs           |
| <b>F04[Cl-Cl]</b>          | Frequency of Cl - Cl at topological distance 4       | 2D Atom Pairs           |
| <b>LOC</b>                 | lopping centric index                                | Topological indices     |

The first descriptor used in the TCDF-normalized model is RDF (ring fusion density) from Ring descriptors block (Table 4.5.). Todeschini and Consonni (2009) states that ring descriptors provide information about the abundance of rings in a molecule. It can be calculated through calculating the number of ring sytems (NRS) as following (Eq. 4.8):

$$NRS = (B - B_R) - (A - A_R) + 1 \quad (4.8)$$

where B and A are the total numbers of bonds and atoms, respectively and  $B_R$  and  $A_R$  are the number of atoms and bonds belonging to rings, respectively. From the equation above RFD can be calculated by dividing the cyclomatic number to the NRS as following (Eq. 4.9):

$$RFD = \frac{C}{NRS} \quad (4.9)$$

Ring fusion density made the most significant contribution, as it can be seen in Eq.4.2. Moreover, the descriptor had a positive regression coefficient which means it shows a positive effect on pIC<sub>50</sub> values of the chemicals. For the compounds in the TCDF-normalized

data, this descriptor ranged between 0-0.400. Its value for PCBs was zero as there are no ring fusion in the biphenyl structure. On the other hand 0.4 value was obtained for carbazole derivatives as the mentioned compounds has more than one fused rings. In addition to that PBDE and PBDD compounds had the same RFD value of 0.286 and dibenzofurans had a higher value of 0.308.

One other descriptor in this model is MATS5s. It belongs to 2D Autocorrelations block which is weighed by I-state. A detailed explanation of this block is provided in the descriptor section (4.2) of QSTR model on pIC<sub>50</sub> for chemicals with TCDD-like effects. The contribution of this descriptor to AhR binding affinity seem to be compound specific as the sign of the descriptor values are positive or negative for chemicals in the same group (i.e. PCBs, PCDDs, PCDFs).

The third descriptor is, Tm, from the Weighted Holistic Invariant Molecular descriptors (WHIM) block (Table 4.5.). These descriptors are based on statistical indices calculated on the projections of the atoms along principal axes. They provide 3D data on properties of molecules such as molecular size, shape, symmetry etc. WHIM descriptors, in general, can be calculated using the following equation (Eq. 4.10):

$$S_{jk} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^A w_i (q_{ij} - \bar{q}_j)(q_{ik} - \bar{q}_k)}{\sum_{i=1}^A w_i} \quad (4.10)$$

where,  $S_{jk}$  is the weighted covariance between the  $j$ th and  $k$ th atomic coordinates.  $A$  is the number of atoms,  $w_i$  is the weight of the  $i$ th atom,  $q_{ij}$  and  $q_{ik}$  represent the  $j$ th and  $k$ th coordinate ( $j, k = x, y, z$ ) of the  $i$ th atom respectively, and  $\bar{q}$  is the average value (Lasagni et al., 1994).

Since WHIM descriptors reflects the whole molecular structure and size in 3D, Tm weighted with mass from WHIM group indicates the importance of holistic structure of xenobiotics for their binding to AhR. The increase in the size of the molecule increases its binding affinity.

Another descriptor, nHAcc, describes the number of acceptor atoms for H-bonds and belongs to functional group counts block. This descriptor explains the hydrogen-bonding capacity of a molecule expressed as number of possible hydrogen-bond donors. It is calculated by summing the hydrogen atoms bonded to any nitrogen and oxygen without negative charge in the molecule.

The value of this descriptor is zero for PAH and PCB group in the TCDD-normalized data set, since these groups don't have hydrogen atoms bonded to any nitrogen and oxygen with no negative charges in the molecule. This descriptor can be assigned as an indicator variable regarding the range of their values (0-2).

B04[O-Cl] and F04[Cl-Cl] belong to 2D Atom Pairs descriptor block. A detailed explanation of this block is provided in the descriptor section (4.2) of QSTR model on pIC<sub>50</sub> for chemicals with TCDD-like effects. B04[O-Cl] and F04[Cl-Cl] specifically explain the presence or absence of O-Cl bond at topological distance at 4 and frequency of Cl-Cl bond at topological distance 4, respectively. B04[O-Cl] descriptor had values ranging from 0 to 1, and the value it got varied within the same group. This descriptor had a positive regression coefficient which means it shows a positive effect on pIC<sub>50</sub> values of the chemicals. In return, as the value for this descriptor increases the binding affinity increases as well. F04[O-Cl] on the other hand, had values between 0-4, and again the values of chemicals varied within the same group. This descriptor had a negative regression coefficient which means it shows a negative effect on pIC<sub>50</sub> values of the chemical. A high value for this descriptor would decrease the binding affinity.

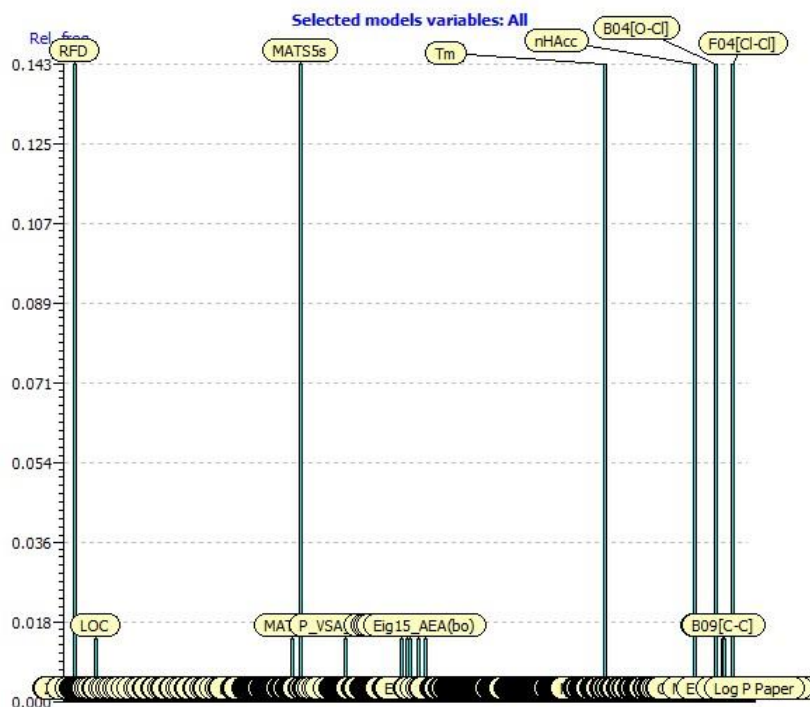
Finally, lopping centric index (LOC) descriptor was used in developing the TCDF-based model. It belongs to topological indices descriptor block. These are numerical quantifiers of molecular topology that are mathematically derived from the structural graph of a molecule. They can be receptive to structural properties including size, shape, symmetry, branching and cyclicity. They can also provide information regarding atom type and bond multiplicity (Todeschini and Consonni, 2010). LOC specifically, is an index defined as the mean information content derived from the pruning partition of a graph and can be calculated with the following equation (Eq. 4.11):

$$\bar{I}_B = -\sum_{k=1}^R \frac{n_k}{A} \log_2 \frac{n_k}{A} \quad (4.11)$$

where,  $n_k$  is the number of terminal vertices removed at the  $k$ th step,  $A$  the number of graph vertices, and  $R$  the number of steps to remove all graph vertices (Balaban, 1979).

LOC considers the branching and flexibility of substituents. Thus, PCDF0 and PAHs in the TCDF-normalized data set had the value of 0 for this descriptor. LOC had a negative regression coefficient which means it shows a negative effect on  $\text{pIC}_{50}$  values of the chemicals. As the descriptors' value increases chemicals' binding affinity towards AhR decreases.

Figure 4.4 shows the relative frequency of descriptors appeared for the TCDF-normalized model. Many of the descriptors mentioned above or descriptors from the same block have been used in past research regarding Ah receptor and xenobiotics as well. Information about the mentioned work and the descriptors that have been used is provided in the TCDD-normalized model's descriptor explanation section.



**Figure 4.4.** Relative frequency of descriptors appeared in the TCDF-normalized model.

Mechanistic explanation for binding of xenobiotics to AhR regarding the definitions of descriptors appeared in Eq 4.2. can be done as follows.

The Eq. 4.2 Branched and flexibility (LOC), size of the molecule (Tm), the number of acceptor atoms for H-bonds in the structure (nHAcc), frequency and specific position of O-Cl and Cl-Cl groups (B04[O-Cl] and F04[Cl-Cl], respectively), ring fusion density (RFD), I-state of the molecules (MATS5s) played important roles in AhR binding affinity of TCDF-like chemicals. Among these descriptors RFD was the most significant one. It was followed by MATS5s, B04[O-Cl], LOC, Tm, nHAcc and F04[O-Cl].

Descriptors that appeared in Eq.4.1 and Eq.4.2 had many descriptors from common descriptor blocks. So most of the uses from literature which have been stated in section 4.2 apply here as well. For instance, Ruffa (2013) used descriptors (F09[C-Br]) from 2D-Atom Pairs block in her QSTR model. Descriptors from this descriptor block (B04[O-Cl] and F04[O-Cl]) also appeared in Eq.4.2. Papa et al. (2010) selected many descriptors including MATS6v to develop different QSAR models in order to predict endocrine-disrupting

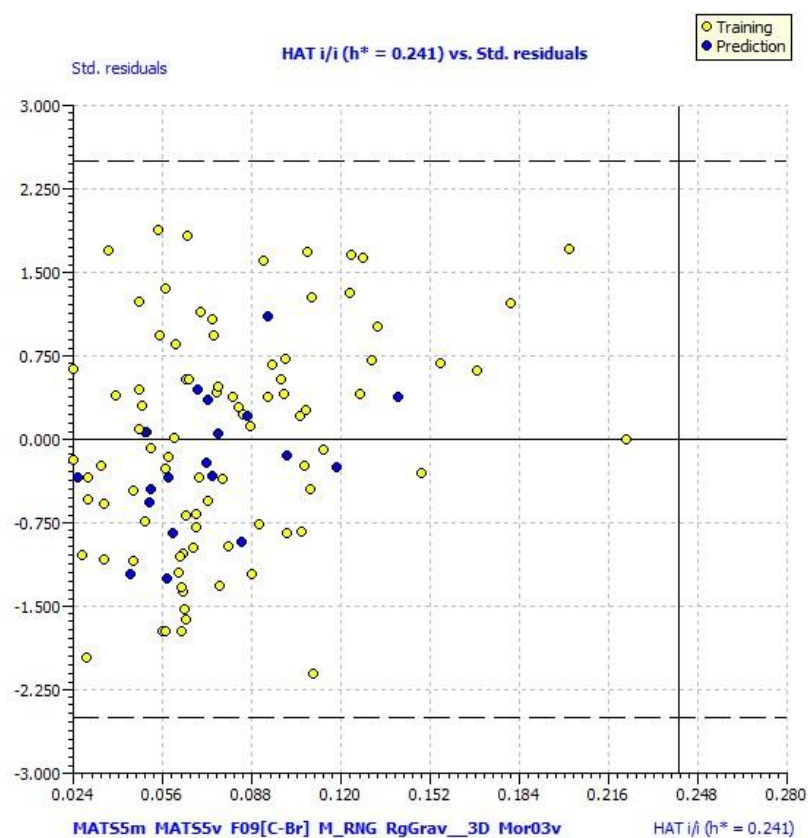
potencies of brominated flame retardants (brominated diphenyl ethers and their hydroxylated derivatives). Tugcu et al., (2017) selected Tm descriptor to represent phenolic compounds in their QSAR model.

#### **4.4. Applicability Domains of the Selected Models**

To investigate models' external predictive ability further an external data set with many compounds related to the ones in the original data set that were used to build the model. Later on, pIC<sub>50</sub> values for these compounds were calculated using the selected models. The number of chemicals which fell within applicability domain of generated models was counted. The structural coverage of each model for external set chemicals was discussed.

##### **4.4.1. Applicability domain for the QSTR model of the TCDD-normalized data set**

Williams plot of the QSTR model generated for chemicals with TCDD-like effects was given in Figure 4.5.



**Figure 4.5.** Williams plot for the QSTR model (Eq.4.1.) generated by using TCDD-normalized data set, with training set in yellow and test set in blue.

The first thing one can spot immediately in Figure 4.5 is that hat values of all the chemicals in the TCDD-normalized data set are lower than the critical hat value ( $h^*=0.241$ ). In addition to that, there are no response outliers; the response outlier limit was set to  $3\delta = 3$ . Those two facts show that  $pIC_{50}$  values for all of the chemicals were well predicted by the model equation (Eq 4.1). Experimental and predicted  $pIC_{50}$  from Eq. 4.1, and descriptor values of training and test set chemicals in TCDD-normalized data set are given in Table 4.6.

**Table 4.6.** Chemicals that are used to model TCDD-normalized data set, their experimental and predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> values, hat values and descriptor values.

| Chemicals               | Status     | Exp.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> by<br>model<br>Eq. 4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.241$ ) | RgGrav_3D | M_RNG | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-<br>Br] | Mor03v |
|-------------------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|-------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|
| 4'-acetyl-PCB061        | Prediction | 5.170                     | 5.223                                             | 0.051                      | 3.827     | 0     | 0.158  | 0.210  | 0             | -2.161 |
| 4'-br-PCB061            | Training   | 5.600                     | 6.186                                             | 0.061                      | 4.034     | 0     | 0.046  | 0.183  | 0             | -2.048 |
| 4'-cyano-PCB061         | Training   | 5.270                     | 5.285                                             | 0.060                      | 3.631     | 0     | 0.062  | 0.181  | 0             | -1.753 |
| 4'-ethyl-PCB061         | Prediction | 5.460                     | 4.896                                             | 0.060                      | 3.636     | 0     | 0.199  | 0.236  | 0             | -1.902 |
| 4'-fluoro-PCB061        | Prediction | 4.600                     | 4.302                                             | 0.052                      | 3.442     | 0     | 0.068  | 0.134  | 0             | -2.012 |
| 4'-hydroxy-<br>PCB061   | Prediction | 4.050                     | 4.291                                             | 0.073                      | 3.426     | 0     | 0.123  | 0.224  | 0             | -2.227 |
| 4'-iodo-PCB061          | Training   | 5.820                     | 6.894                                             | 0.093                      | 4.256     | 0     | 0.033  | 0.186  | 0             | -1.997 |
| 4'-isopropyl-<br>PCB061 | Training   | 5.890                     | 4.795                                             | 0.065                      | 3.817     | 0     | 0.194  | 0.174  | 0             | -2.260 |
| 4'-methoxy-<br>PCB061   | Training   | 4.800                     | 4.630                                             | 0.057                      | 3.650     | 0     | 0.176  | 0.187  | 0             | -2.084 |
| 4'-methyl-<br>PCB061    | Training   | 4.510                     | 4.773                                             | 0.081                      | 3.417     | 0     | 0.186  | 0.316  | 0             | -1.866 |
| 4'-n-butyl-<br>PCB061   | Training   | 5.130                     | 5.401                                             | 0.100                      | 4.213     | 0     | 0.178  | 0.171  | 0             | -2.849 |
| 4'-nitro-PCB061         | Training   | 4.850                     | 5.778                                             | 0.057                      | 3.840     | 0     | 0.040  | 0.182  | 0             | -1.937 |
| 4'-phenyl-<br>PCB061    | Training   | 5.180                     | 5.454                                             | 0.127                      | 4.374     | 0     | 0.125  | 0.066  | 0             | -2.943 |
| 4'-t-butyl-<br>PCB061   | Training   | 5.170                     | 4.615                                             | 0.101                      | 3.959     | 0     | 0.183  | 0.125  | 0             | -2.687 |



Table 4.6. Continued

| Chemicals                            | Status     | Exp.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> by<br>model<br>Eq. 4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.241$ ) | RgGrav__3D | M_RNG | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-<br>Br] | Mor03v |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|
| <b>4'trifluoromethyl-<br/>PCB061</b> | Training   | 6.460                     | 6.714                                             | 0.094                      | 4.029      | 0     | -0.014 | 0.249  | 0             | -2.063 |
| <b>PBCDD076</b>                      | Training   | 8.830                     | 8.144                                             | 0.064                      | 4.243      | 1     | 0.044  | 0.090  | 0             | -2.261 |
| <b>PBCDD077</b>                      | Training   | 9.350                     | 8.543                                             | 0.088                      | 4.382      | 1     | 0.044  | 0.090  | 0             | -2.231 |
| <b>PBCDD078</b>                      | Training   | 7.950                     | 7.850                                             | 0.058                      | 4.171      | 1     | 0.081  | 0.092  | 0             | -2.219 |
| <b>PBDD002</b>                       | Training   | 6.530                     | 5.613                                             | 0.064                      | 3.326      | 1     | 0.054  | -0.021 | 0             | -1.666 |
| <b>PBDD011</b>                       | Training   | 7.810                     | 7.889                                             | 0.088                      | 4.188      | 1     | 0.053  | 0.031  | 0             | -2.013 |
| <b>PBDD020</b>                       | Training   | 8.930                     | 8.425                                             | 0.091                      | 4.339      | 1     | 0.030  | 0.065  | 0             | -2.159 |
| <b>PBDD035</b>                       | Training   | 8.700                     | 8.173                                             | 0.068                      | 4.373      | 1     | -0.099 | -0.032 | 0             | -2.600 |
| <b>PBDD045</b>                       | Training   | 8.820                     | 9.286                                             | 0.131                      | 4.356      | 1     | -0.002 | 0.083  | 0             | -2.328 |
| <b>PBDD053</b>                       | Training   | 7.770                     | 8.547                                             | 0.070                      | 4.531      | 1     | 0.025  | 0.176  | 0             | -2.711 |
| <b>PBDD061</b>                       | Training   | 8.180                     | 8.544                                             | 0.099                      | 4.634      | 1     | -0.137 | -0.065 | 0             | -2.653 |
| <b>PBDE003</b>                       | Training   | 3.890                     | 2.997                                             | 0.063                      | 3.477      | 0     | 0.082  | 0.022  | 1             | -1.511 |
| <b>PBDE015</b>                       | Training   | 3.420                     | 3.693                                             | 0.040                      | 3.857      | 0     | -0.002 | -0.034 | 1             | -1.959 |
| <b>PBDE017</b>                       | Training   | 3.640                     | 2.985                                             | 0.067                      | 3.322      | 0     | -0.114 | -0.004 | 1             | -1.790 |
| <b>PBDE028</b>                       | Training   | 2.920                     | 3.372                                             | 0.096                      | 4.212      | 0     | 0.009  | 0.010  | 2             | -2.201 |
| <b>PBDE047</b>                       | Prediction | 3.250                     | 3.089                                             | 0.119                      | 3.799      | 0     | -0.095 | -0.042 | 2             | -1.425 |
| <b>PBDE049</b>                       | Training   | 4.170                     | 4.458                                             | 0.076                      | 3.773      | 0     | 0.110  | 0.154  | 1             | -1.352 |
| <b>PBDE054</b>                       | Training   | 7.030                     | 7.224                                             | 0.084                      | 4.250      | 1     | -0.233 | -0.213 | 0             | -2.918 |
| <b>PBDE066</b>                       | Prediction | 2.700                     | 3.436                                             | 0.094                      | 4.237      | 0     | -0.061 | -0.084 | 2             | -1.998 |
| <b>PBDE071</b>                       | Prediction | 3.870                     | 3.025                                             | 0.058                      | 3.535      | 0     | -0.186 | -0.122 | 1             | -2.076 |
| <b>PBDE075</b>                       | Training   | 3.400                     | 2.855                                             | 0.106                      | 3.981      | 0     | -0.095 | -0.042 | 2             | -2.264 |

Table 4.6. Continued

| Chemicals | Status     | Exp.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> by<br>model<br>Eq. 4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.241$ ) | RgGrav__3D | M_RNG | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-<br>Br] | Mor03v |
|-----------|------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|
| PBDE077   | Training   | 2.660                     | 3.527                                             | 0.124                      | 4.511      | 0     | -0.027 | -0.126 | 2             | -2.358 |
| PBDE085   | Training   | 1.720                     | 2.564                                             | 0.110                      | 3.816      | 0     | -0.169 | -0.179 | 2             | -1.656 |
| PBDE099   | Training   | 3.850                     | 3.557                                             | 0.109                      | 4.027      | 0     | 0.086  | 0.116  | 2             | -1.651 |
| PBDE100   | Training   | 4.110                     | 2.723                                             | 0.111                      | 3.813      | 0     | -0.210 | -0.147 | 2             | -1.828 |
| PBDE119   | Training   | 2.960                     | 3.103                                             | 0.106                      | 4.212      | 0     | -0.169 | -0.179 | 2             | -2.268 |
| PBDE126   | Training   | 2.570                     | 3.348                                             | 0.181                      | 4.660      | 0     | -0.088 | -0.242 | 2             | -2.661 |
| PBDE153   | Training   | 4.600                     | 4.407                                             | 0.149                      | 4.283      | 0     | 0.212  | 0.283  | 2             | -1.822 |
| PBDE154   | Training   | 4.640                     | 3.932                                             | 0.063                      | 3.586      | 0     | -0.044 | 0.049  | 1             | -1.492 |
| PBDE183   | Training   | 3.600                     | 3.780                                             | 0.108                      | 4.208      | 0     | 0.043  | 0.113  | 2             | -2.137 |
| PCB047    | Training   | 3.890                     | 3.655                                             | 0.078                      | 3.442      | 0     | -0.026 | -0.067 | 0             | -2.068 |
| PCB060    | Training   | 4.550                     | 4.877                                             | 0.076                      | 3.585      | 0     | -0.102 | -0.009 | 0             | -1.766 |
| PCB061    | Training   | 3.850                     | 3.483                                             | 0.073                      | 3.187      | 0     | 0.059  | 0.088  | 0             | -1.950 |
| PCB077    | Training   | 6.150                     | 5.654                                             | 0.050                      | 3.844      | 0     | 0.087  | 0.224  | 0             | -2.116 |
| PCB105    | Training   | 5.370                     | 5.141                                             | 0.069                      | 3.755      | 0     | -0.176 | -0.020 | 0             | -2.267 |
| PCB107    | Prediction | 4.850                     | 4.627                                             | 0.058                      | 3.657      | 0     | -0.051 | 0.070  | 0             | -2.491 |
| PCB114    | Training   | 5.390                     | 5.084                                             | 0.046                      | 3.677      | 0     | 0.066  | 0.174  | 0             | -2.072 |
| PCB118    | Training   | 5.040                     | 5.106                                             | 0.048                      | 3.775      | 0     | 0.066  | 0.174  | 0             | -2.353 |
| PCB126    | Training   | 6.890                     | 6.011                                             | 0.077                      | 3.937      | 0     | 0.018  | 0.257  | 0             | -2.490 |
| PCB153    | Training   | 4.102                     | 4.590                                             | 0.101                      | 3.705      | 0     | 0.207  | 0.270  | 0             | -2.625 |
| PCB156    | Prediction | 5.150                     | 5.458                                             | 0.069                      | 3.842      | 0     | -0.046 | 0.160  | 0             | -2.584 |
| PCB157    | Prediction | 5.330                     | 5.241                                             | 0.101                      | 3.826      | 0     | -0.275 | -0.066 | 0             | -2.567 |
| PCB167    | Training   | 4.800                     | 5.432                                             | 0.075                      | 3.861      | 0     | -0.046 | 0.160  | 0             | -2.672 |

Table 4.6. Continued

| Chemicals | Status     | Exp.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> by<br>model<br>Eq. 4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.241$ ) | RgGrav__3D | M_RNG | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-<br>Br] | Mor03v |
|-----------|------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|
| PCB168    | Training   | 4.000                     | 4.002                                             | 0.223                      | 3.654      | 0     | -0.479 | -0.409 | 0             | -2.480 |
| PCDD001   | Training   | 4.000                     | 5.071                                             | 0.128                      | 2.787      | 1     | -0.236 | -0.086 | 0             | -1.570 |
| PCDD012   | Training   | 5.500                     | 5.873                                             | 0.065                      | 3.529      | 1     | 0.134  | 0.015  | 0             | -1.836 |
| PCDD014   | Training   | 4.890                     | 5.040                                             | 0.085                      | 3.167      | 1     | 0.204  | 0.143  | 0             | -2.069 |
| PCDD019   | Training   | 6.660                     | 6.539                                             | 0.024                      | 3.809      | 1     | 0.005  | -0.010 | 0             | -2.384 |
| PCDD020   | Training   | 7.150                     | 6.339                                             | 0.062                      | 3.756      | 1     | 0.176  | 0.058  | 0             | -2.053 |
| PCDD035   | Training   | 6.100                     | 6.538                                             | 0.024                      | 3.809      | 1     | 0.005  | -0.010 | 0             | -2.385 |
| PCDD040   | Prediction | 5.890                     | 5.279                                             | 0.085                      | 3.274      | 1     | 0.182  | 0.166  | 0             | -2.353 |
| PCDD045   | Training   | 8.000                     | 6.969                                             | 0.064                      | 3.999      | 1     | 0.191  | 0.095  | 0             | -2.220 |
| PCDD046   | Prediction | 6.800                     | 6.570                                             | 0.026                      | 3.780      | 1     | 0.005  | -0.010 | 0             | -2.258 |
| PCDD053   | Training   | 5.960                     | 6.813                                             | 0.048                      | 3.832      | 1     | 0.149  | 0.182  | 0             | -2.557 |
| PCDD059   | Training   | 5.190                     | 6.471                                             | 0.055                      | 3.713      | 1     | 0.149  | 0.182  | 0             | -2.582 |
| PCDD061   | Training   | 7.100                     | 6.873                                             | 0.030                      | 3.976      | 1     | -0.001 | -0.015 | 0             | -2.517 |
| PCDD069   | Training   | 6.550                     | 7.192                                             | 0.055                      | 3.967      | 1     | 0.103  | 0.187  | 0             | -2.776 |
| PCDD075   | Training   | 5.000                     | 5.441                                             | 0.156                      | 3.982      | 1     | -0.182 | -0.313 | 0             | -3.355 |
| PCDF000   | Training   | 3.000                     | 4.073                                             | 0.202                      | 2.468      | 1     | -0.348 | -0.258 | 0             | -1.281 |
| PCDF002   | Prediction | 3.550                     | 3.802                                             | 0.141                      | 2.908      | 1     | 0.121  | -0.115 | 0             | -1.631 |
| PCDF003   | Prediction | 4.380                     | 4.523                                             | 0.087                      | 2.962      | 1     | -0.006 | -0.108 | 0             | -1.581 |
| PCDF004   | Training   | 3.000                     | 4.093                                             | 0.124                      | 2.719      | 1     | -0.178 | -0.226 | 0             | -1.447 |
| PCDF012   | Training   | 5.330                     | 4.690                                             | 0.080                      | 3.119      | 1     | 0.150  | 0.023  | 0             | -1.900 |
| PCDF014   | Training   | 3.610                     | 4.854                                             | 0.065                      | 3.190      | 1     | 0.005  | -0.113 | 0             | -1.833 |
| PCDF016   | Training   | 3.590                     | 4.703                                             | 0.108                      | 3.296      | 1     | 0.217  | 0.004  | 0             | -2.026 |

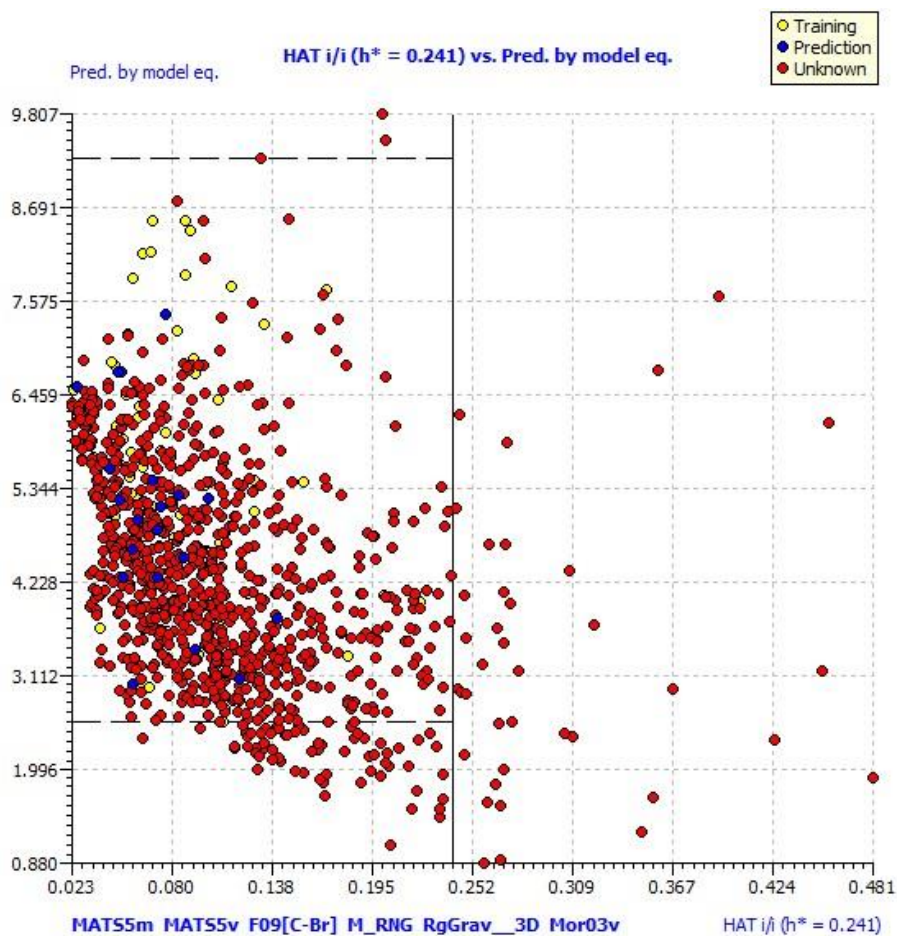
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| Chemicals      | Status     | Exp.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> by<br>model<br>Eq. 4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( <i>h</i> *=0.241) | RgGrav__3D | M_RNG | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-<br>Br] | Mor03v |
|----------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------|-------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|
| <b>PCDF028</b> | Prediction | 5.360                     | 5.140                                             | 0.074                          | 3.251      | 1     | -0.296 | -0.282 | 0             | -2.118 |
| <b>PCDF030</b> | Training   | 4.070                     | 5.236                                             | 0.037                          | 3.358      | 1     | -0.124 | -0.152 | 0             | -2.283 |
| <b>PCDF036</b> | Training   | 4.720                     | 5.027                                             | 0.048                          | 3.137      | 1     | 0.013  | 0.008  | 0             | -2.106 |
| <b>PCDF039</b> | Training   | 6.000                     | 5.947                                             | 0.053                          | 3.544      | 1     | 0.185  | 0.137  | 0             | -2.246 |
| <b>PCDF046</b> | Training   | 6.350                     | 5.987                                             | 0.030                          | 3.471      | 1     | 0.013  | 0.008  | 0             | -2.033 |
| <b>PCDF049</b> | Training   | 6.660                     | 5.498                                             | 0.057                          | 3.496      | 1     | -0.276 | -0.250 | 0             | -2.554 |
| <b>PCDF058</b> | Prediction | 5.000                     | 4.864                                             | 0.072                          | 3.390      | 1     | 0.086  | -0.027 | 0             | -2.556 |
| <b>PCDF065</b> | Training   | 6.960                     | 6.246                                             | 0.027                          | 3.572      | 1     | -0.139 | -0.053 | 0             | -2.399 |
| <b>PCDF071</b> | Training   | 6.460                     | 5.293                                             | 0.058                          | 3.383      | 1     | -0.276 | -0.250 | 0             | -2.440 |
| <b>PCDF072</b> | Training   | 6.660                     | 6.498                                             | 0.035                          | 3.679      | 1     | 0.012  | 0.095  | 0             | -2.581 |
| <b>PCDF077</b> | Training   | 6.460                     | 5.726                                             | 0.036                          | 3.381      | 1     | -0.139 | -0.053 | 0             | -2.407 |
| <b>PCDF079</b> | Training   | 7.600                     | 6.857                                             | 0.046                          | 3.629      | 1     | -0.003 | 0.144  | 0             | -2.352 |
| <b>PCDF080</b> | Training   | 6.700                     | 6.305                                             | 0.035                          | 3.578      | 1     | 0.012  | 0.095  | 0             | -2.491 |
| <b>PCDF081</b> | Prediction | 7.390                     | 7.426                                             | 0.077                          | 3.818      | 1     | 0.149  | 0.292  | 0             | -2.415 |
| <b>PCDF088</b> | Training   | 5.510                     | 5.060                                             | 0.069                          | 3.525      | 1     | -0.143 | -0.193 | 0             | -2.866 |
| <b>PCDF089</b> | Training   | 6.700                     | 6.239                                             | 0.065                          | 3.653      | 1     | -0.321 | -0.193 | 0             | -2.708 |
| <b>PCDF091</b> | Training   | 7.170                     | 5.820                                             | 0.029                          | 3.565      | 1     | -0.141 | -0.118 | 0             | -2.519 |
| <b>PCDF093</b> | Prediction | 6.700                     | 6.746                                             | 0.050                          | 3.700      | 1     | 0.002  | 0.138  | 0             | -2.647 |
| <b>PCDF095</b> | Training   | 5.890                     | 6.102                                             | 0.049                          | 3.645      | 1     | 0.000  | 0.062  | 0             | -2.804 |
| <b>PCDF098</b> | Training   | 4.700                     | 5.068                                             | 0.066                          | 3.477      | 1     | 0.040  | -0.043 | 0             | -2.709 |
| <b>PCDF103</b> | Training   | 6.920                     | 5.761                                             | 0.063                          | 3.524      | 1     | 0.000  | 0.062  | 0             | -2.822 |
| <b>PCDF104</b> | Prediction | 7.130                     | 6.748                                             | 0.052                          | 3.744      | 1     | -0.181 | -0.013 | 0             | -2.771 |

Table 4.6. Continued.

| <b>Chemicals</b> | <b>Status</b> | <b>Exp.<br/>pIC<sub>50</sub></b> | <b>Pred.<br/>pIC<sub>50</sub> by<br/>model<br/>Eq. 4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>RgGrav__3D</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-<br/>Br]</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| <b>PCDF107</b>   | Prediction    | 6.400                            | 5.579                                                      | 0.045                                | 3.561             | 1            | -0.141        | -0.118        | 0                     | -2.787        |
| <b>PCDF112</b>   | Training      | 7.820                            | 7.760                                                      | 0.114                                | 3.850             | 1            | -0.038        | 0.243         | 0                     | -2.707        |
| <b>PCDF117</b>   | Training      | 5.080                            | 5.813                                                      | 0.074                                | 3.692             | 1            | -0.251        | -0.182        | 0                     | -3.068        |
| <b>PCDF123</b>   | Training      | 6.570                            | 6.416                                                      | 0.108                                | 3.813             | 1            | -0.411        | -0.262        | 0                     | -3.028        |
| <b>PCDF128</b>   | Training      | 7.330                            | 7.730                                                      | 0.169                                | 3.875             | 1            | -0.258        | 0.105         | 0.00                  | -3.049        |
| <b>PCDF134</b>   | Training      | 6.640                            | 7.306                                                      | 0.133                                | 3.796             | 1            | -0.098        | 0.186         | 0.00                  | -3.020        |

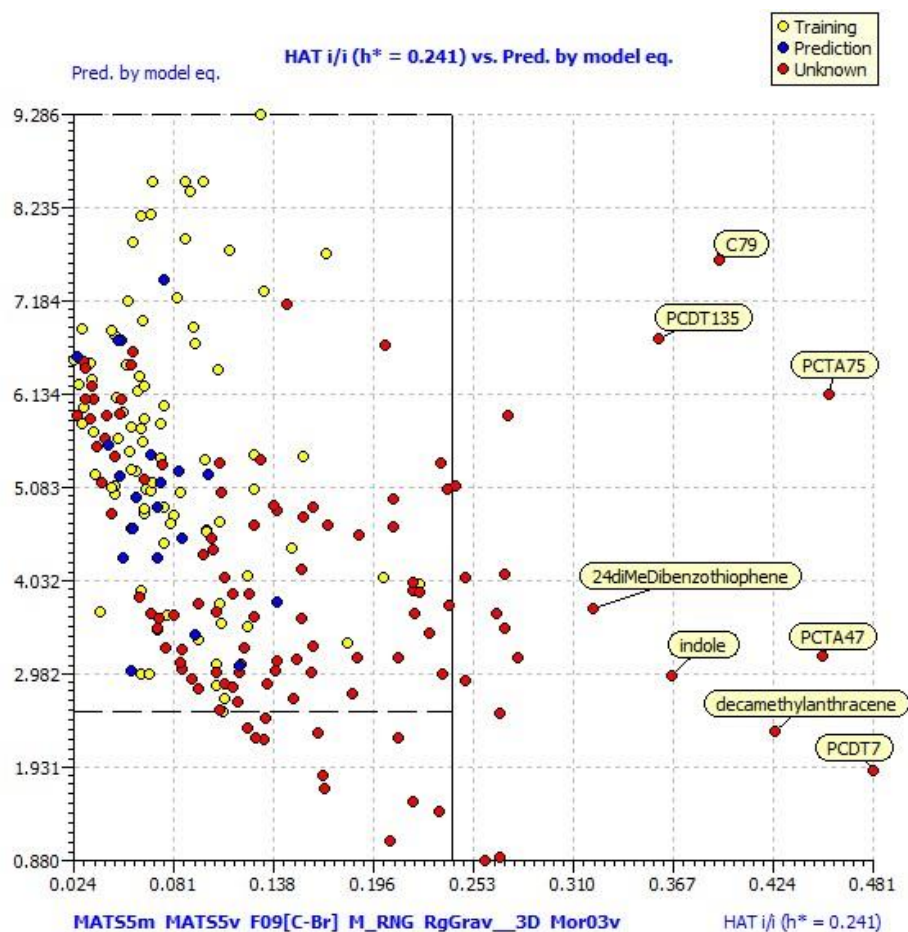
Eq 4.1 was employed to test 964 external chemicals to predict their  $pIC_{50}$  values (Figure 4.6). These group chemicals consisted of 194 PCBs, 50 PCB derivatives, 163 PBBs, 193 PBDEs, 42 PBDE derivatives, 31 PCDEs, 73 PBDD/PCDDs, 107 PCDF/PBDFs, 9 PCPTs, 9 PCTAs, 9 PCDTs, 19 CDPSs and 65 PAHs that are environmentally significant. Moreover, up to 90 percent in the external set do not have an experimental AhR value.



**Figure 4.6.** Insubria graph of the QSTR model generated using TCDD-normalized data set; hat values and predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values of training, test and external sets chemicals; training set in yellow, test set in blue and external set in red.

Among 961 compounds, 38 were out of the structural applicability domain as their hat values exceeded the critical hat value (Figure 4.7). Hat values of 29 chemicals were between 0.241 and 0.341, so they can still consider being reliable. However, 9 chemicals had hat values higher than 0.341, which makes their predictions unreliable. In addition to that, 80 chemicals fell out of the response range. The remaining 843 chemicals were in the applicability domain thus; their predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values were accepted as reliable. Predicted

$pIC_{50}$  from Eq. 4.1 and descriptor values of external set chemicals with no TCDD-normalized AhR data are given in External Set 1 in Appendix A1. This model has 95.55% structural coverage. It is of our interest to examine the predictive performance of Eq. 4.1 for chemicals in the external set in more detail.

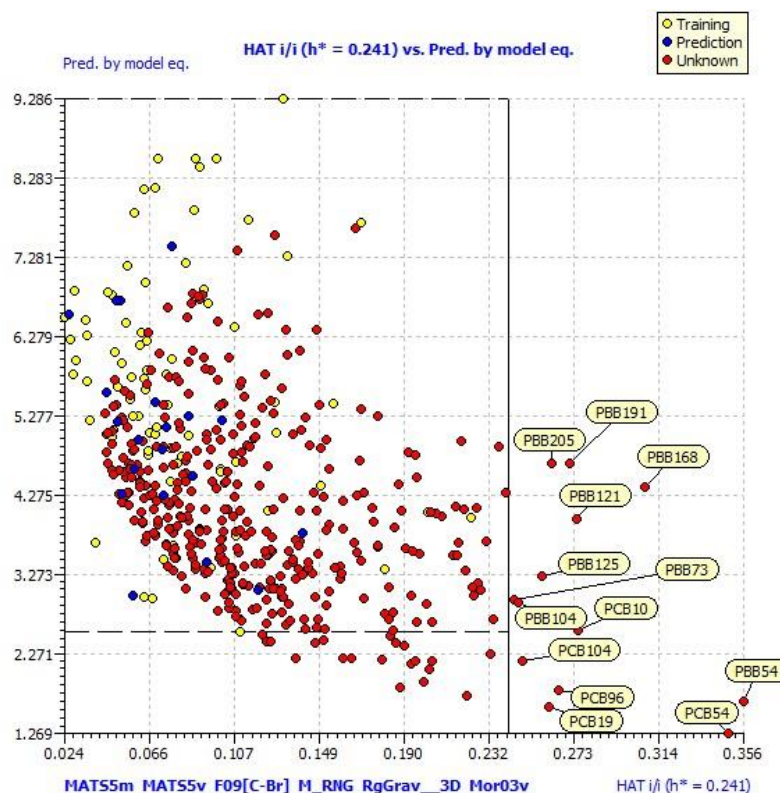


**Figure 4.7.** Insubria Graph of Eq.4.1 including PAHs and their derivatives with fused heterocyclic rings as an external set. Predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values of training, test and external set chemicals from Eq.4.1 and their hat values, where the critical hat value ( $h^*$ ) is 0.241. C79 is 2,3,6,7-tetrabromonaphthalene.

Many of the compounds that fell outside of the applicability domain belonged to polyaromatic hydrocarbon, polychlorinated thianthrene and dibenzothiophene groups (Figure 4.7). That is fairly understandable considering that these chemicals are quite different from the chemicals in the TCDD-normalized data set. However, the TCDF-normalized data set contained polyaromatic hydrocarbons; therefore, these compounds were included in the external set to test the predictive performance of Eq 4.1. The reason behind testing these irrelevant compounds in this model is surely to see how well Eq. 4.1 can predict  $pIC_{50}$  of these chemicals. It can be observed that Eq.4.1 can do reliable predictions for this group of chemicals, with few exceptions, although there are no structurally similar chemicals in the TCDD-normalized data set.

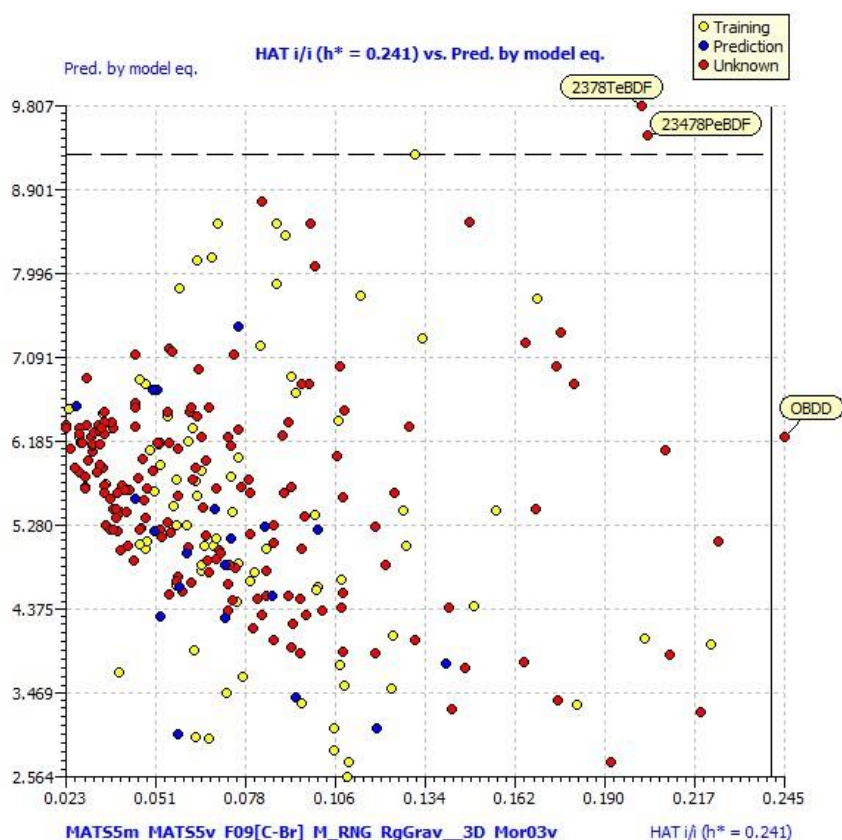
The Insubria graph in Figure 4.8 shows the predictions of  $pIC_{50}$  of different congeners and derivatives of PBBs, PCBs and PCB derivatives. Among 400 compounds in these groups, 13 were out of the structural applicability domain. Moreover, only two values of PBB 54 (2,2',6,6'- tetrabromobiphenyl) and PCB 54 (2,2',6,6'- tetrachlorobiphenyl) were higher than 0.341, which makes the remaining 11 predictions still highly reliable. In addition to that, the predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values of PBB 54 and PCB 54 which were 1.677 and 1.269, respectively was below the minimum experimental  $pIC_{50}$  value (1.72) of TCDD-normalized data set.





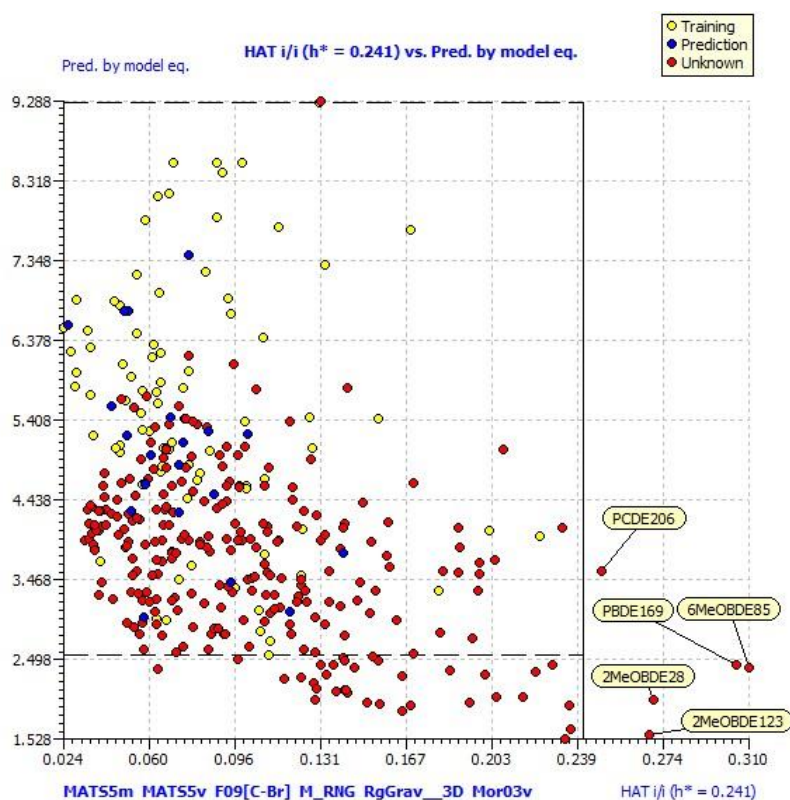
**Figure 4.8.** Insubria graph indicating the predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values of chemicals from Eq. 4.1 for training, test and external (PBBs, PCBs and PCB derivatives) sets.

The Insubria graph in Figure 4.9 shows the predictions of  $pIC_{50}$  value of different congeners of PCDDs and PCDFs from Eq.4.1. Among 107 chemicals, only the hat value of Octabromo-dibenzo-p-dioxin (OBDD) (0.245) is slightly higher than the critical hat value ( $h^* = 0.241$ ). Since this value is between 0.24 and 0.341 it can be considered reliable. TCDD-normalized data set did not include many PBDD compounds and therefore descriptors in the model are not exact representatives of this group. Due to this, the model may not been able to predict a compound that is OBDD, which is highly substituted with bromine atoms, 8 bromine atoms to be exact.



**Figure 4.9.** Insubria Graph of Eq.4.1 including PCDDs, PBDDs and PCDFs as an external set. Predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values of training, test and external set chemicals from Eq.4.1 and their hat values, where the critical hat value ( $h^*$ ) is 0.241.

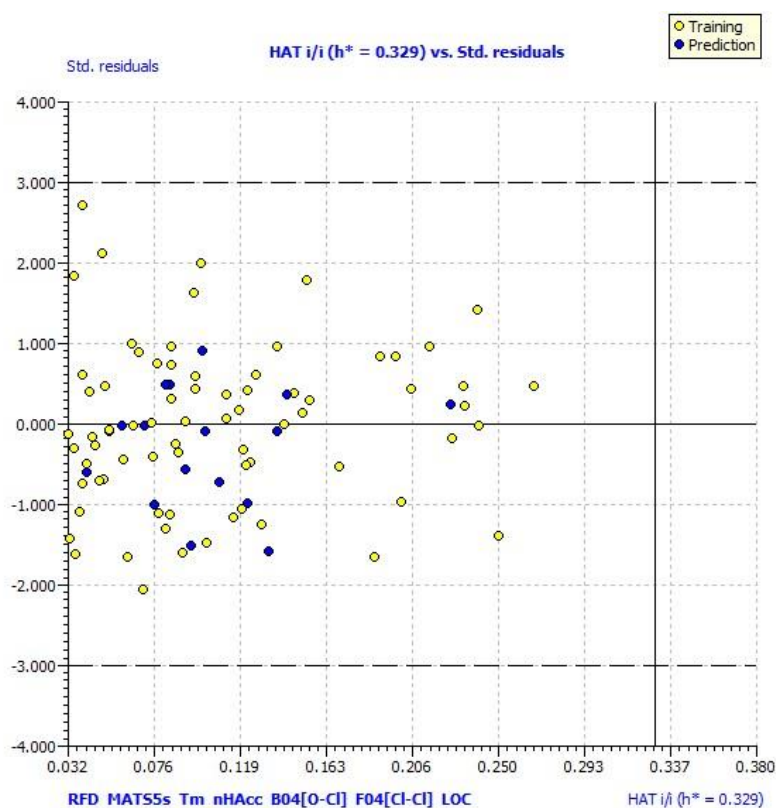
Finally,  $pIC_{50}$  values of 266 chemicals from PCDE and PBDE groups and hydroxylated and methoxylated derivatives of PBDEs were predicted from Eq. 4.1 (Figure 4.10). This model was reliable for predicting the  $pIC_{50}$  values of the ether groups with a few exceptions. Hat values of 261 congeners were lower than the critical hat value of 0.241. Hat values of the remaining 5 were between 0.241 and 0.341, so their predictions can be still reliable. The reason for that these compounds fell out of this model's applicability domain could be due the high amount of halogen groups. In addition to that, methoxy group does not occur in the data set, so the descriptors selected during model building step may not be representatives of methoxy groups. 30 compounds in the diphenyl ether group were out of the response range. The predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values for two of the PBDE derivatives (6-methoxy BDE-137 and 5-chloro-6-methoxy BDE 47) were below (1.5284 and 1.658 respectively) the minimum  $pIC_{50}$  value of the data set, which is 1.72.



**Figure 4.10.** Insubria Graph of Eq.4.1 including PCDEs, PBDEs and PBDE derivatives as an external set. Predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values of training, test and external set chemicals from Eq.4.1 and their hat values, where the critical hat value ( $h^*$ ) is 0.241.

#### 4.4.2. Applicability domain for the QSTR model of the TCDF-normalized data set

Williams plot of the QSTR model generated for chemicals with TCDF-like effects was given in Figure 4.11.



**Figure 4.11.** Williams plot for the QSTR model (Eq.4.2) generated by using TCDF-normalized data set, with training set in yellow and test set in blue.

Just like it was in Eq.4.1, hat values of all the chemicals in the TCDF-normalized data set are lower than the critical hat value 0.329. In addition to that, none of the chemicals are response outlier, where the response outlier limit was set to  $3\delta = 3$ . Those two facts show that  $pIC_{50}$  values for all of the chemicals were well predicted by the model equation (Eq. 4.2). Experimental and predicted  $pIC_{50}$  from Eq. 4.2, and descriptor values of training and test set chemicals in TCDF-normalized data set are given in Table 4.7.

**Table 4.7.** Chemicals that are used to model TCDF-normalized data set, their experimental and predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> values, hat and descriptor values.

| Chemicals                            | Status     | Exp.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.<br>4.2 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.3288$ ) | MATS5s | RFD   | Tm     | nHAcc | B04[O-<br>Cl] | F04[Cl-<br>Cl] | LOC   |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| 1,2,3,4,6,7-hexabromonaphthalene     | Training   | 7.608                     | 7.639                                         | 0.092                       | -0.183 | 0.200 | 14.524 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.781 |
| 1,2,3,5,6,7-hexabromonaphthalene     | Prediction | 7.996                     | 7.641                                         | 0.092                       | -0.183 | 0.200 | 14.527 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.781 |
| 1,2,4,6,7-pentabromonaphthalene      | Training   | 7.465                     | 6.748                                         | 0.078                       | 0.091  | 0.200 | 13.764 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.789 |
| 2,3,6,7-tetrabromonaphthalene        | Training   | 7.668                     | 7.690                                         | 0.075                       | 0.043  | 0.200 | 15.134 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.788 |
| 2,3,6,7-tetrachloro-dibenzo-p-dioxin | Prediction | 7.768                     | 7.762                                         | 0.071                       | 0.180  | 0.286 | 14.644 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.714 |
| 2,3,6-tetrachloro-dibenzo-p-dioxin   | Training   | 7.610                     | 6.891                                         | 0.084                       | 0.085  | 0.286 | 12.986 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.682 |
| 2,3-dibromonaphthalene               | Training   | 5.616                     | 5.729                                         | 0.119                       | 0.263  | 0.200 | 12.425 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.730 |
| 4-methylindolo[3,2-b]carbazole       | Training   | 7.721                     | 8.843                                         | 0.153                       | 0.134  | 0.400 | 15.510 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.517 |
| 5,11-diacetylindolo[3,2-b]carbazole  | Training   | 7.951                     | 7.140                                         | 0.250                       | -0.060 | 0.400 | 15.082 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.881 |
| 5,11-diethylindolo[3,2-b]carbazole   | Training   | 8.051                     | 8.321                                         | 0.206                       | -0.210 | 0.400 | 14.485 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.789 |

Table 4.7. Continued.

| Chemical                                       | Status     | Exp.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.<br>4.2 | HAT i/i<br>(h*=0.3288) | MATS5s | RFD   | Tm     | nHAcc | B04[O-<br>Cl] | F04[Cl-<br>Cl] | LOC   |
|------------------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| <b>5,11-dimethylindolo[3,2-b]carbazole</b>     | Training   | 8.921                     | 8.139                                         | 0.130                  | -0.166 | 0.400 | 13.717 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.517 |
| <b>7,12-dimethylbenz[a]anthracene</b>          | Prediction | 6.857                     | 5.892                                         | 0.095                  | -0.175 | 0.333 | 10.583 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.548 |
| <b>Benz[a]anthracene</b>                       | Training   | 7.319                     | 6.324                                         | 0.188                  | 0.019  | 0.333 | 10.532 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.000 |
| <b>Benzo[1,2-b:4,5-b']bis[1]benzothiophene</b> | Prediction | 8.482                     | 8.629                                         | 0.226                  | -0.130 | 0.400 | 13.462 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.000 |
| <b>Benzo[1,2-b:4,5-b']bisbenzofuran</b>        | Training   | 7.538                     | 6.957                                         | 0.201                  | 0.066  | 0.400 | 13.195 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.000 |
| <b>Dibenz[a,h]anthracene</b>                   | Training   | 8.602                     | 8.886                                         | 0.232                  | -0.029 | 0.364 | 14.290 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.000 |
| <b>Indolo[3,2-b]carbazole</b>                  | Training   | 8.444                     | 8.350                                         | 0.226                  | 0.050  | 0.400 | 13.434 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.000 |
| <b>PBCDD076</b>                                | Training   | 10.093                    | 10.367                                        | 0.123                  | 0.442  | 0.286 | 19.342 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.714 |
| <b>PBCDD077</b>                                | Training   | 10.687                    | 10.394                                        | 0.124                  | 0.442  | 0.286 | 19.385 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.714 |
| <b>PBCDD078</b>                                | Training   | 9.074                     | 9.465                                         | 0.097                  | 0.430  | 0.286 | 17.895 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.714 |
| <b>PBDD002</b>                                 | Prediction | 7.464                     | 6.470                                         | 0.134                  | -0.080 | 0.286 | 13.820 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.521 |
| <b>PBDD011</b>                                 | Prediction | 8.927                     | 8.473                                         | 0.109                  | 0.115  | 0.286 | 17.641 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.625 |
| <b>PBDD020</b>                                 | Training   | 10.209                    | 9.547                                         | 0.121                  | 0.299  | 0.286 | 19.873 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.682 |
| <b>PBDD028</b>                                 | Training   | 8.038                     | 8.557                                         | 0.198                  | -0.155 | 0.286 | 17.347 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.714 |
| <b>PBDD035</b>                                 | Prediction | 9.943                     | 9.329                                         | 0.124                  | 0.210  | 0.286 | 19.396 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.714 |
| <b>PBDD053</b>                                 | Training   | 8.881                     | 8.937                                         | 0.112                  | 0.312  | 0.286 | 19.045 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.730 |
| <b>PBDD061</b>                                 | Training   | 9.350                     | 9.966                                         | 0.138                  | 0.383  | 0.286 | 20.827 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.730 |
| <b>PBDE045</b>                                 | Training   | 10.086                    | 10.281                                        | 0.154                  | 0.480  | 0.286 | 21.511 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.714 |

Table 4.7. Continued.

| Chemical | Status     | Exp.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq. 4.2 | HAT i/i<br>(h*=0.3288) | MATS5s | RFD   | Tm     | nHAcc | B04[O-<br>Cl] | F04[Cl-<br>Cl] | LOC   |
|----------|------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCB047   | Training   | 4.442                     | 4.121                                   | 0.123                  | -0.021 | 0.000 | 12.042 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.750 |
| PCB061   | Prediction | 4.405                     | 4.354                                   | 0.138                  | 0.100  | 0.000 | 12.684 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.750 |
| PCB076   | Training   | 5.584                     | 5.387                                   | 0.121                  | -0.262 | 0.000 | 12.642 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.750 |
| PCB077   | Training   | 7.028                     | 7.034                                   | 0.142                  | 0.056  | 0.000 | 15.118 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.750 |
| PCB081   | Training   | 5.204                     | 6.497                                   | 0.100                  | 0.053  | 0.000 | 15.108 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.750 |
| PCB105   | Training   | 6.134                     | 6.371                                   | 0.113                  | -0.192 | 0.000 | 14.372 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.760 |
| PCB114   | Training   | 6.157                     | 5.421                                   | 0.116                  | 0.081  | 0.000 | 14.343 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.760 |
| PCB118   | Training   | 5.762                     | 6.051                                   | 0.097                  | 0.035  | 0.000 | 14.387 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.760 |
| PCB126   | Training   | 7.871                     | 6.936                                   | 0.103                  | 0.025  | 0.000 | 15.757 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.760 |
| PCB153   | Prediction | 4.689                     | 4.931                                   | 0.143                  | 0.171  | 0.000 | 13.776 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.760 |
| PCB156   | Prediction | 6.057                     | 6.011                                   | 0.102                  | -0.029 | 0.000 | 15.020 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.760 |
| PCB167   | Prediction | 5.482                     | 6.072                                   | 0.100                  | -0.074 | 0.000 | 15.014 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.760 |
| PCB168   | Training   | 4.577                     | 4.853                                   | 0.268                  | -0.547 | 0.000 | 13.700 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.760 |
| PCB189   | Training   | 5.885                     | 5.978                                   | 0.151                  | -0.144 | 0.000 | 15.535 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.754 |
| PCDD01   | Training   | 4.572                     | 4.712                                   | 0.233                  | -0.295 | 0.286 | 8.344  | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.521 |
| PCDD012  | Prediction | 6.281                     | 6.604                                   | 0.084                  | 0.233  | 0.286 | 12.751 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.625 |
| PCDD014  | Training   | 5.585                     | 5.332                                   | 0.076                  | 0.144  | 0.286 | 11.510 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.682 |
| PCDD019  | Training   | 6.975                     | 7.244                                   | 0.043                  | 0.180  | 0.286 | 14.670 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.714 |
| PCDD020  | Prediction | 8.171                     | 7.525                                   | 0.076                  | 0.343  | 0.286 | 14.574 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.682 |
| PCDD040  | Training   | 6.728                     | 5.709                                   | 0.090                  | 0.222  | 0.286 | 13.192 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.714 |
| PCDD045  | Training   | 9.144                     | 8.305                                   | 0.082                  | 0.421  | 0.286 | 16.048 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.714 |
| PCDD053  | Training   | 6.811                     | 7.125                                   | 0.051                  | 0.284  | 0.286 | 14.755 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.730 |
| PCDD054  | Training   | 8.118                     | 7.948                                   | 0.047                  | 0.249  | 0.286 | 15.971 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.730 |
| PCDD059  | Training   | 5.937                     | 6.567                                   | 0.085                  | 0.281  | 0.286 | 14.712 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.730 |

Table 4.7. Continued.

| Chemical | Status     | Exp.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.<br>4.2 | HAT i/i<br>(h*=0.3288) | MATS5s | RFD   | Tm     | nHAcc | B04[O-<br>Cl] | F04[Cl-<br>Cl] | LOC   |
|----------|------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCDD066  | Training   | 7.490                     | 7.268                                         | 0.089                  | 0.327  | 0.286 | 15.935 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.737 |
| PCDD075  | Training   | 5.715                     | 6.559                                         | 0.239                  | 0.045  | 0.286 | 15.853 | 2     | 1             | 4              | 0.733 |
| PCDF000  | Training   | 3.429                     | 3.420                                         | 0.240                  | -0.259 | 0.308 | 6.417  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.000 |
| PCDF002  | Training   | 4.061                     | 3.742                                         | 0.169                  | 0.233  | 0.308 | 9.213  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.544 |
| PCDF003  | Training   | 5.003                     | 6.056                                         | 0.096                  | -0.152 | 0.308 | 9.760  | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.544 |
| PCDF004  | Training   | 3.429                     | 3.678                                         | 0.147                  | -0.140 | 0.308 | 8.260  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.544 |
| PCDF012  | Training   | 6.088                     | 6.673                                         | 0.068                  | 0.138  | 0.308 | 11.616 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF014  | Training   | 4.125                     | 4.517                                         | 0.127                  | 0.138  | 0.308 | 10.439 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF016  | Training   | 4.103                     | 4.619                                         | 0.190                  | 0.413  | 0.308 | 11.227 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF028  | Training   | 6.123                     | 6.339                                         | 0.084                  | -0.353 | 0.308 | 10.929 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF029  | Training   | 4.653                     | 6.460                                         | 0.040                  | -0.133 | 0.308 | 11.623 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF036  | Training   | 5.396                     | 6.625                                         | 0.035                  | 0.052  | 0.308 | 12.304 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF039  | Training   | 6.858                     | 7.354                                         | 0.078                  | 0.280  | 0.308 | 13.130 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF046  | Prediction | 7.255                     | 7.248                                         | 0.060                  | 0.056  | 0.308 | 12.452 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF049  | Training   | 7.610                     | 6.532                                         | 0.063                  | -0.278 | 0.308 | 12.310 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.732 |
| PCDF057  | Prediction | 5.715                     | 6.043                                         | 0.082                  | 0.257  | 0.308 | 11.918 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF065  | Training   | 7.954                     | 7.468                                         | 0.040                  | -0.128 | 0.308 | 13.283 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF071  | Training   | 7.379                     | 6.938                                         | 0.051                  | -0.211 | 0.308 | 12.259 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF072  | Training   | 7.610                     | 7.287                                         | 0.042                  | 0.162  | 0.308 | 13.659 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF077  | Training   | 7.379                     | 7.182                                         | 0.036                  | -0.100 | 0.308 | 12.896 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF079  | Training   | 8.689                     | 7.749                                         | 0.033                  | -0.016 | 0.308 | 13.981 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF080  | Prediction | 7.657                     | 7.262                                         | 0.042                  | 0.159  | 0.308 | 13.614 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF081  | Training   | 8.444                     | 8.434                                         | 0.065                  | 0.179  | 0.308 | 14.662 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |



Table 4.7. Continued.

| Chemical | Status     | Exp.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.<br>4.2 | HAT i/i<br>(h*=0.3288) | MATS5s | RFD   | Tm     | nHAcc | B04[O-<br>Cl] | F04[Cl-<br>Cl] | LOC   |
|----------|------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCDF003  | Training   | 5.003                     | 6.056                                         | 0.096                  | -0.152 | 0.308 | 9.760  | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.544 |
| PCDF004  | Training   | 3.429                     | 3.678                                         | 0.147                  | -0.140 | 0.308 | 8.260  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.544 |
| PCDF012  | Training   | 6.088                     | 6.673                                         | 0.068                  | 0.138  | 0.308 | 11.616 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF014  | Training   | 4.125                     | 4.517                                         | 0.127                  | 0.138  | 0.308 | 10.439 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF016  | Training   | 4.103                     | 4.619                                         | 0.190                  | 0.413  | 0.308 | 11.227 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF028  | Training   | 6.123                     | 6.339                                         | 0.084                  | -0.353 | 0.308 | 10.929 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF029  | Training   | 4.653                     | 6.460                                         | 0.040                  | -0.133 | 0.308 | 11.623 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF036  | Training   | 5.396                     | 6.625                                         | 0.035                  | 0.052  | 0.308 | 12.304 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF039  | Training   | 6.858                     | 7.354                                         | 0.078                  | 0.280  | 0.308 | 13.130 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF046  | Prediction | 7.255                     | 7.248                                         | 0.060                  | 0.056  | 0.308 | 12.452 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF049  | Training   | 7.610                     | 6.532                                         | 0.063                  | -0.278 | 0.308 | 12.310 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.732 |
| PCDF057  | Prediction | 5.715                     | 6.043                                         | 0.082                  | 0.257  | 0.308 | 11.918 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF065  | Training   | 7.954                     | 7.468                                         | 0.040                  | -0.128 | 0.308 | 13.283 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF071  | Training   | 7.379                     | 6.938                                         | 0.051                  | -0.211 | 0.308 | 12.259 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF072  | Training   | 7.610                     | 7.287                                         | 0.042                  | 0.162  | 0.308 | 13.659 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF077  | Training   | 7.379                     | 7.182                                         | 0.036                  | -0.100 | 0.308 | 12.896 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF079  | Training   | 8.689                     | 7.749                                         | 0.033                  | -0.016 | 0.308 | 13.981 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF080  | Prediction | 7.657                     | 7.262                                         | 0.042                  | 0.159  | 0.308 | 13.614 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF081  | Training   | 8.444                     | 8.434                                         | 0.065                  | 0.179  | 0.308 | 14.662 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PCDF088  | Training   | 6.297                     | 6.258                                         | 0.054                  | -0.014 | 0.308 | 12.509 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF091  | Training   | 8.194                     | 7.130                                         | 0.036                  | -0.102 | 0.308 | 12.838 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF093  | Training   | 7.657                     | 7.577                                         | 0.032                  | -0.014 | 0.308 | 13.743 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF095  | Training   | 6.728                     | 7.136                                         | 0.040                  | 0.136  | 0.308 | 13.391 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |

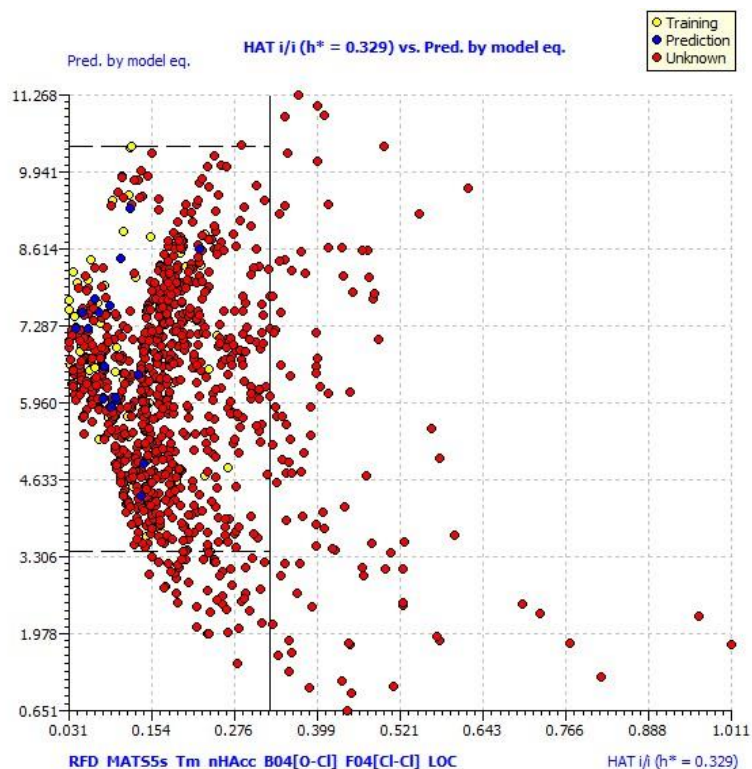
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| Chemicals | Status     | Exp.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.<br>4.2 | HAT i/i<br>(h*=0.3288) | MATS5s | RFD   | Tm     | nHAcc | B04[O-<br>Cl] | F04[Cl-<br>Cl] | LOC   |
|-----------|------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCDF098   | Training   | 5.371                     | 6.026                                         | 0.065                  | 0.051  | 0.308 | 12.292 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF028   | Training   | 6.123                     | 6.339                                         | 0.084                  | -0.353 | 0.308 | 10.929 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF029   | Training   | 4.653                     | 6.460                                         | 0.040                  | -0.133 | 0.308 | 11.623 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF036   | Training   | 5.396                     | 6.625                                         | 0.035                  | 0.052  | 0.308 | 12.304 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF039   | Training   | 6.858                     | 7.354                                         | 0.078                  | 0.280  | 0.308 | 13.130 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF046   | Prediction | 7.255                     | 7.248                                         | 0.060                  | 0.056  | 0.308 | 12.452 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF049   | Training   | 7.610                     | 6.532                                         | 0.063                  | -0.278 | 0.308 | 12.310 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.732 |
| PCDF057   | Prediction | 5.715                     | 6.043                                         | 0.082                  | 0.257  | 0.308 | 11.918 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF065   | Training   | 7.954                     | 7.468                                         | 0.040                  | -0.128 | 0.308 | 13.283 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF071   | Training   | 7.379                     | 6.938                                         | 0.051                  | -0.211 | 0.308 | 12.259 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF072   | Training   | 7.610                     | 7.287                                         | 0.042                  | 0.162  | 0.308 | 13.659 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF077   | Training   | 7.379                     | 7.182                                         | 0.036                  | -0.100 | 0.308 | 12.896 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF079   | Training   | 8.689                     | 7.749                                         | 0.033                  | -0.016 | 0.308 | 13.981 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF080   | Prediction | 7.657                     | 7.262                                         | 0.042                  | 0.159  | 0.308 | 13.614 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF081   | Training   | 8.444                     | 8.434                                         | 0.065                  | 0.179  | 0.308 | 14.662 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PCDF088   | Training   | 6.297                     | 6.258                                         | 0.054                  | -0.014 | 0.308 | 12.509 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF091   | Training   | 8.194                     | 7.130                                         | 0.036                  | -0.102 | 0.308 | 12.838 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF093   | Training   | 7.657                     | 7.577                                         | 0.032                  | -0.014 | 0.308 | 13.743 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF095   | Training   | 6.728                     | 7.136                                         | 0.040                  | 0.136  | 0.308 | 13.391 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF098   | Training   | 5.371                     | 6.026                                         | 0.065                  | 0.051  | 0.308 | 12.292 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF049   | Training   | 7.610                     | 6.532                                         | 0.063                  | -0.278 | 0.308 | 12.310 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.732 |
| PCDF057   | Prediction | 5.715                     | 6.043                                         | 0.082                  | 0.257  | 0.308 | 11.918 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |

Table 4.7. Continued.

| Chemicals | Status     | Exp.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.<br>4.2 | HAT i/i<br>(h*=0.3288) | MATS5s | RFD   | Tm     | nHAcc | B04[O-<br>Cl] | F04[Cl-<br>Cl] | LOC   |
|-----------|------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCDF065   | Training   | 7.954                     | 7.468                                         | 0.040                  | -0.128 | 0.308 | 13.283 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF071   | Training   | 7.379                     | 6.938                                         | 0.051                  | -0.211 | 0.308 | 12.259 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF072   | Training   | 7.610                     | 7.287                                         | 0.042                  | 0.162  | 0.308 | 13.659 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF077   | Training   | 7.379                     | 7.182                                         | 0.036                  | -0.100 | 0.308 | 12.896 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF079   | Training   | 8.689                     | 7.749                                         | 0.033                  | -0.016 | 0.308 | 13.981 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF080   | Prediction | 7.657                     | 7.262                                         | 0.042                  | 0.159  | 0.308 | 13.614 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF081   | Training   | 8.444                     | 8.434                                         | 0.065                  | 0.179  | 0.308 | 14.662 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PCDF088   | Training   | 6.297                     | 6.258                                         | 0.054                  | -0.014 | 0.308 | 12.509 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF091   | Training   | 8.194                     | 7.130                                         | 0.036                  | -0.102 | 0.308 | 12.838 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF093   | Training   | 7.657                     | 7.577                                         | 0.032                  | -0.014 | 0.308 | 13.743 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF095   | Training   | 6.728                     | 7.136                                         | 0.040                  | 0.136  | 0.308 | 13.391 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF098   | Training   | 5.371                     | 6.026                                         | 0.065                  | 0.051  | 0.308 | 12.292 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF103   | Training   | 7.911                     | 6.583                                         | 0.071                  | 0.129  | 0.308 | 13.347 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF104   | Training   | 8.147                     | 8.053                                         | 0.045                  | -0.111 | 0.308 | 14.270 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF107   | Training   | 7.313                     | 6.856                                         | 0.048                  | -0.132 | 0.308 | 13.181 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF112   | Training   | 8.943                     | 8.233                                         | 0.038                  | 0.065  | 0.308 | 14.955 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF114   | Training   | 7.657                     | 7.500                                         | 0.087                  | -0.346 | 0.308 | 13.706 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF117   | Training   | 5.808                     | 7.218                                         | 0.050                  | -0.128 | 0.308 | 13.768 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDF123   | Training   | 7.508                     | 7.987                                         | 0.085                  | -0.295 | 0.308 | 14.598 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDF128   | Training   | 8.376                     | 8.094                                         | 0.061                  | -0.117 | 0.308 | 15.173 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDF134   | Prediction | 7.587                     | 7.537                                         | 0.053                  | 0.016  | 0.308 | 14.599 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |

Eq. 4.2 was employed to test 977 external compounds to predict their  $pIC_{50}$  values (Figure 4.12). These group of chemicals consisted of 195 PCBs, 59 PCB derivatives, 163 PBBs, 206 PBDEs, 42 PBDE derivatives, 31 PCDEs, 68 PBDD/PCDDs, 108 PCDF/PBDFs, 9 PCPTs, 9 PCTAs, 9 PCDTSs, 18 CDPSs and 60 PAHs that are environmentally significant. Moreover, up to 90 percent in the external set do not have an experimental  $pIC_{50}$  value.

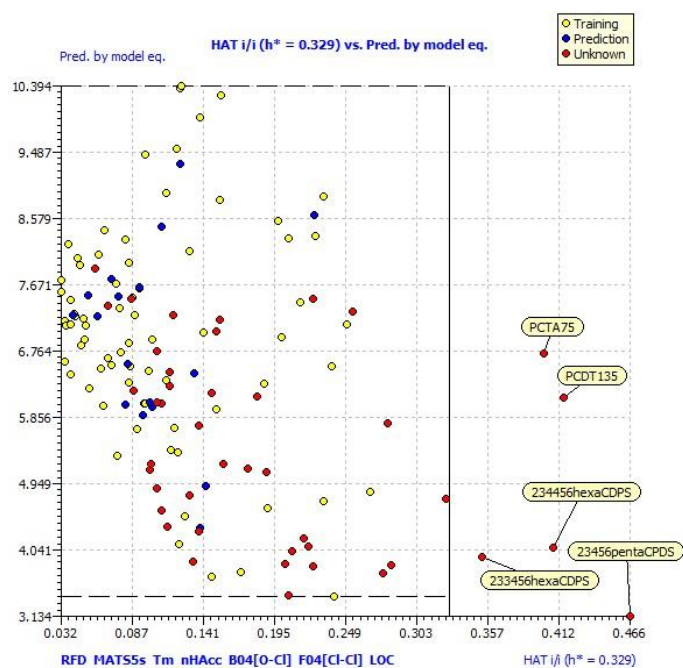


**Figure 4.12.** Insubria graph of the QSTR model generated using TCDF-normalized data set; hat values and predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values of training, test and external sets chemicals; training set in yellow, test set in blue and external set in red.

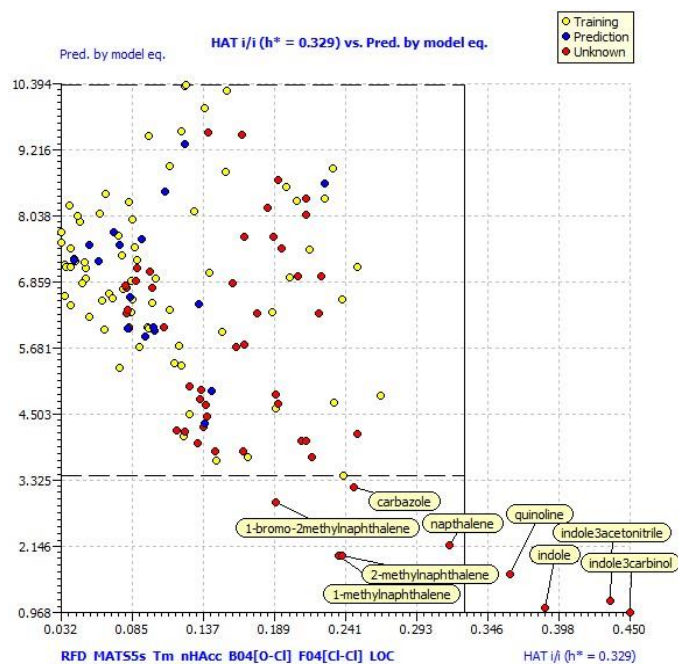
Of the 977 external set chemicals, 106 were out of the structural applicability domain as their hat values exceeded the critical hat value ( $h^* = 0.329$ ). 64 of these compounds had hat values between 0.329 and 0.429, so they can still be considered as reliable. However, the 42 remaining chemicals had hat values higher than 0.429, which makes their predictions unreliable. In addition to that,  $pIC_{50}$  values of 87 chemicals predicted from Eq.4.2 were out of the response range of the model. Predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values of these compounds were below the minimum  $pIC_{50}$  value of the training set which was 3.429. The remaining 784 were within the applicability domain thus; their  $pIC_{50}$  value predictions are accepted as reliable.

Predicted  $pIC_{50}$  from Eq. 4.2 and descriptor values of external set chemicals with no TCDF-normalized AhR data are given in External Set 2 in Appendix A2. This model had 89.37% structural coverage. It is of our interest to examine the predictive performance of Eq. 4.2 for chemicals in the external set in more detail.

This model was better in terms of predicting polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons and indolocarbazoles (Figure 4.13). That is understandable because there are representatives of these groups in the TCDF-normalized data set and thus the descriptors appeared in the model equation, Eq.4.2, well represent these groups. However, the model was not reliable for predicting chemicals like indole, carbazole and less substituted naphthalenes. In the TCDF-normalized data set almost all polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons and indolocarbazoles are somewhat substituted and, the chemicals which fell out of the response range are unsubstituted PAHs and indolocarbazoles. This might explain why they are out of the response range with  $h$  values higher than the critical  $h$  value ( $h^*=0.329$ ).



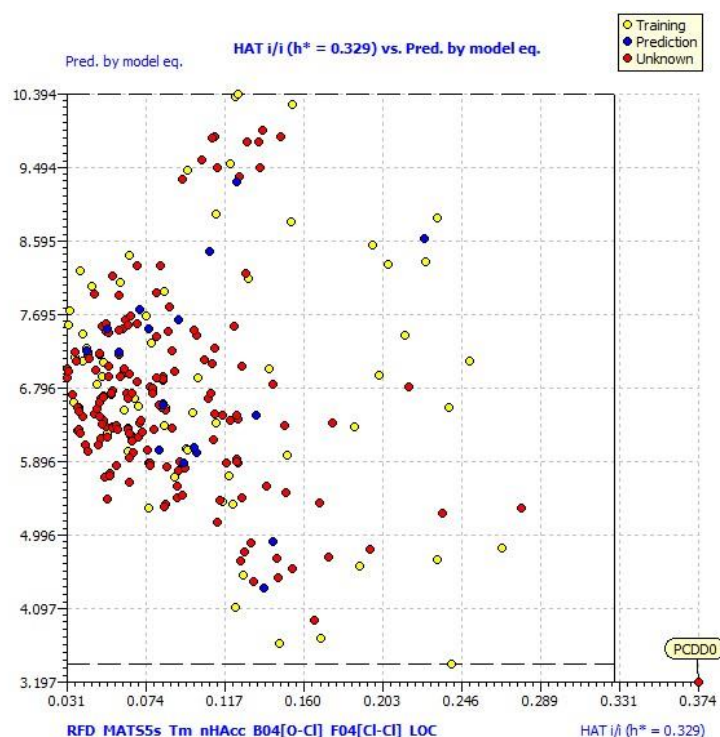
**Figure 4.13.** Insubria Graph of Eq.4.2 including PAHs and indocarbazoles



**Figure 4. 14.** Insubria Graph of Eq.4.2 including PCPTs, PCTAs, PCDTs and PCDPs from external sets. Predicted pIC50 values of training, test and external set chemicals from Eq.4.2 and their hat values, where the critical hat value ( $h^*$ ) is 0.329.

One of the pentachlorinated diphenyl sulfides in the external data set has a high hat value, its  $pIC_{50}$  prediction was also below the minimum  $pIC_{50}$  value of the TCDF-normalized data set which makes its prediction not reliable Figure 4.14. Two of the hexachlorinated diphenyl sulfides also had high hat values, but their hat values were between 0.329 and 0.429 which make their prediction reliable up to some degree. However,  $pIC_{50}$  values of other heptachlorinated diphenyl sulfides in the external set were reliable.

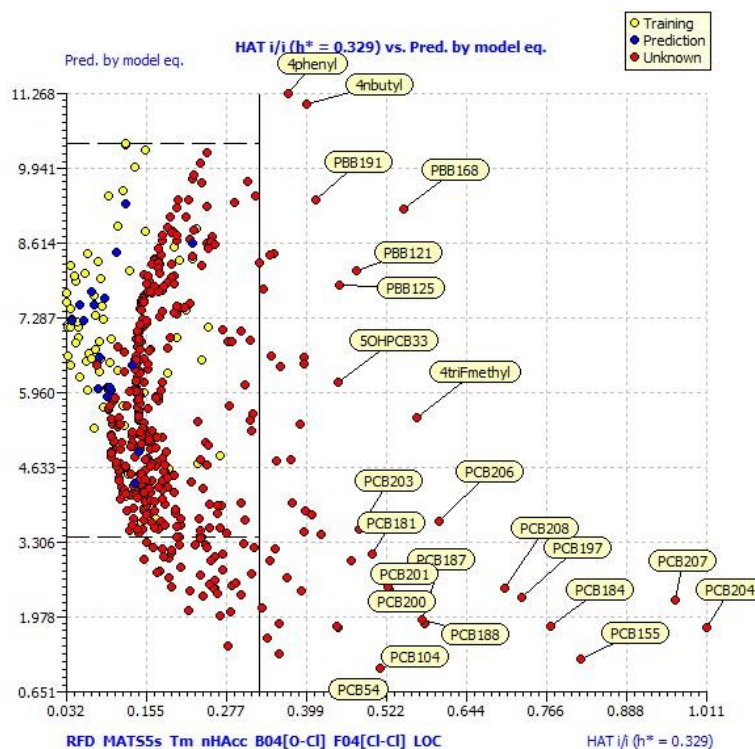
The Insubria graph in Figure 4.15 indicates  $pIC_{50}$  value predictions of different congeners of PCDDs and PCDFs. Among 107 chemicals, only dibenzo-*p*-dioxin had a hat value that is (0.374) slightly higher than the critical hat value of 0.329. Since this value is below 0.429 it can be considered to be highly reliable. Unlike in the Eq.4.1, in which some of the highly brominated compounds were response or structural outliers, this model, was good to predict the highly halogenated congeners of PCDDs and PCDFs. Two of the descriptors in this model equation, Eq. 4.2, is directly related to the relationship of Cl-Cl and O-Cl bonds in the compound, which might explain this trend. If this is the case it would also explain why PCDD0 was a structural outlier. Since the compound does not any halogen group attached to it, two out of 7 descriptors that explain the model not applicable for this compound.



**Figure 4.15.** Insubria Graph of Eq.4.2 including PCDDs and PCDFs and. Predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values of training, test and external set chemicals from Eq.4.2 and their hat values, where the critical hat value ( $h^*$ ) is 0.329

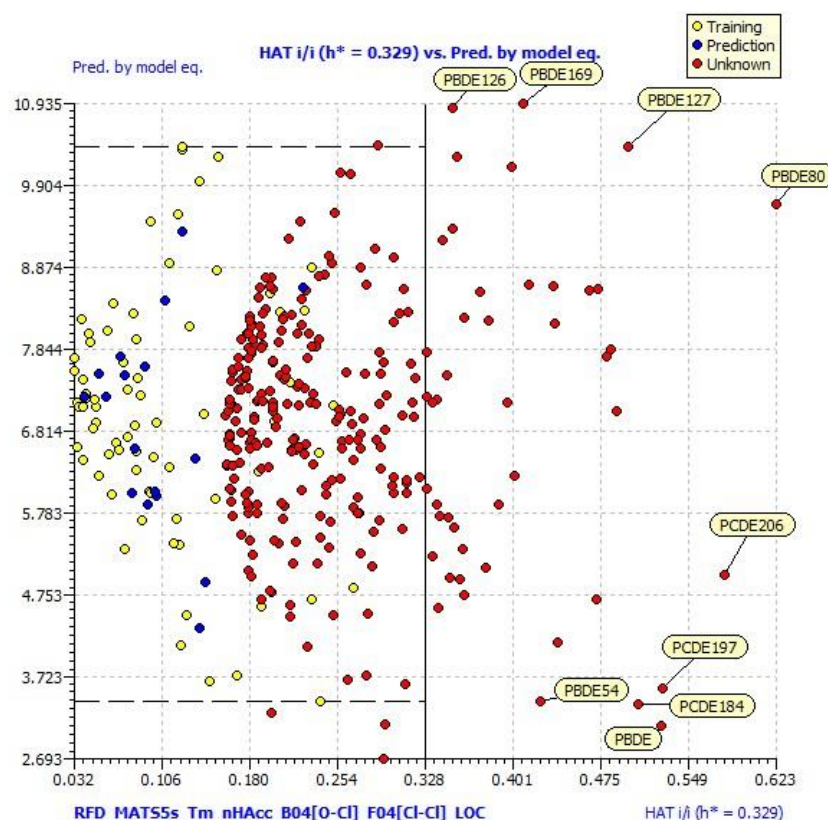
The Insubria graph in Figure 4.16 shows predicted  $pIC_{50}$  value of different congeners and derivatives of PBBs and PCBs. This model equation, Eq.4.2, is not as reliable as the model equation, Eq.4.1, to predict the  $pIC_{50}$  values of PBB and PCB congeners. More than 20 were outside of the structural applicability domain and approximately another 20 were out of response range as some of their predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values were below the minimum data point and,  $pIC_{50}$  prediction for two PCB derivatives (4'-phenyl-2,3,4,5-tetrachlorobiphenyl and 4'-n-butyl-2,3,4,5-tetrachlorobiphenyl) exceeded the maximum experimental data point in the TCDF-normalized data set. The labeled compounds in Figure 4.16 that have unacceptably high leverage ( $h^* > 0.429$ ) have high numbers of halogen atoms attached to the biphenyl structure. One can argue that the descriptors in this model are not representing PCB and PBBs and their derivatives very well, even though training set contains couple of PCB congeners.





**Figure 4.16.** Insubria Graph of Eq.4.2 including PCBs, PCB derivatives and PBBs. Predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> values of training, test and external set chemicals from Eq.4.2 and their hat values, where the critical hat value ( $h^*$ ) is 0.329.

Finally, 280 compounds from PCDE and PBDE groups and hydroxylated and methoxylated derivatives of PBDEs' pIC<sub>50</sub> values have been predicted from Eq. 4.2 (Figure 4.17). This model was not as reliable as the TCDD-based model for predicting the ether groups' pIC<sub>50</sub> values. Hat values of 46 compounds were higher than the critical hat value of 0.329. Hat values of 32 of them were between 0.329 and 0.429, so their predictions can be still reliable. The reason that these compounds fell out of the applicability domain of this model could be due the high number of halogen groups they contain. In addition to that, methoxy group does not occur in the data set, so the descriptors selected during building steps of this model do not represent methoxy groups. Furthermore, only a few compounds fell out of response range as their predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> values below the minimum pIC<sub>50</sub> value of the TCDF-normalized data set.

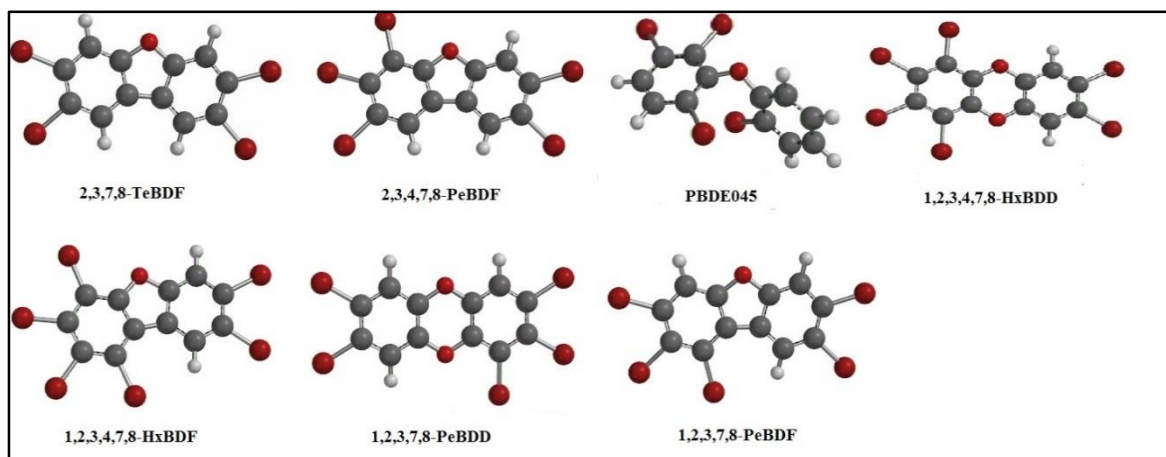


**Figure 4.17.** Insubria Graph of Eq.4.2 including PCDE, PBDE, and derivatives of PBDE as an external set. Predicted  $pIC_{50}$  values of training, test and external set chemicals from Eq.4.2 and their hat values, where the critical hat value ( $h^*$ ) is 0.329

It has been suggested that para and meta positions of bromine substituted PBDEs result in higher AhR binding affinity. On the other hand, ortho substitution of bromines are thought to be disfavored by the AhR and the binding affinity decreases (Papa et al., 2010; Gu et al., 2012).

Regarding the TCDD-normalized data;  $pIC_{50}$  values of seven chemicals were higher than TCDD's  $pIC_{50}$  value of 8.00. Among these seven compounds, 2,3,7,8-tetrabromo dibenzofuran had the highest  $pIC_{50}$  value, 9.807. It was followed by 2,3,4,7,8-pentabromo dibenzofuran ( $pIC_{50}$  =9.499), 2,2',3,6-tetrabromodiphenyl ether ( $pIC_{50}$  =9.288), 1,2,3,4,7,8-hexabromo dibenzo-*p*-dioxin ( $pIC_{50}$  =8.784), 1,2,3,4,7,8-hexabromo dibenzofuran ( $pIC_{50}$  =8.560), 1,2,3,7,8-pentabromo dibenzo-*p*-dioxin ( $pIC_{50}$  =8.543) and 1,2,3,7,8-pentabromo dibenzofuran ( $pIC_{50}$  =8.088). Chemical structures of these compounds are given in Figure 4.18. None of these compounds' hat value were higher than the critical hat value ( $h^*$  =

0.241), which suggest their predictions are reliable. In general, dioxins and furans that had bromine atoms in 2,3,7 and 8 positions showed high binding affinity towards AhR.



**Figure 4.18.** Chemical structures of the compounds that have a higher  $pIC_{50}$  value than TCDD.

On the contrary, PBDEs, their methoxylated and hydroxylated derivatives, PCBs and PAHs (chemicals with  $h^* < 0.241$  are taken into consideration) showed low binding affinity towards TCDD.

Regarding the TCDF-normalized data;  $pIC_{50}$  values of 30 compounds were higher than of TCDD and 63 had higher  $pIC_{50}$  values than of TCDF. The mentioned compounds and their predicted  $pIC_{50}$  obtained from Eq.4.1 and Eq.4.2 are given in Table 4.8.

**Table 4.8.** Predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> values of chemicals that show higher binding affinity compared to TCDF.

| No | Name        | Experimental<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from<br>Eq.4.2 | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from<br>Eq.4.1 | Corrected<br>pIC <sub>50</sub><br>value for<br>TCDF* | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.329$ ) |
|----|-------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
|    | <b>TCDF</b> | <b>8.444</b>                      |                                              |                                              |                                                      |                            |
| 1  | PBDE124     |                                   | 8.482                                        | 4.018                                        | 4.592                                                | 0.224                      |
| 2  | PBDE074     |                                   | 8.500                                        | 3.435                                        | 3.926                                                | 0.187                      |
| 3  | PBB180      |                                   | 8.531                                        | 6.650                                        | 7.601                                                | 0.173                      |
| 4  | PBB193      |                                   | 8.540                                        | 4.506                                        | 5.150                                                | 0.251                      |
| 5  | PBB128      |                                   | 8.592                                        | 5.282                                        | 6.038                                                | 0.251                      |
| 6  | PBDE120     |                                   | 8.597                                        | 4.145                                        | 4.737                                                | 0.228                      |
| 7  | PBB192      |                                   | 8.601                                        | 4.105                                        | 4.692                                                | 0.260                      |
| 8  | PBDE123     |                                   | 8.620                                        | 2.441                                        | 2.790                                                | 0.200                      |
| 9  | PBDE158     |                                   | 8.624                                        | 3.492                                        | 3.991                                                | 0.189                      |
| 10 | PBB122      |                                   | 8.628                                        | 5.013                                        | 5.730                                                | 0.247                      |
| 11 | PBDE194     |                                   | 8.644                                        | 2.481                                        | 2.836                                                | 0.198                      |
| 12 | PBB158      |                                   | 8.654                                        | 5.373                                        | 6.141                                                | 0.254                      |
| 13 | PCDE126     |                                   | 8.675                                        | 4.655                                        | 5.321                                                | 0.278                      |
| 14 | PBB060      |                                   | 8.684                                        | 6.066                                        | 6.933                                                | 0.202                      |
| 15 | PBB206      |                                   | 8.689                                        | 4.882                                        | 5.580                                                | 0.223                      |
| 16 | PBB108      |                                   | 8.753                                        | 5.314                                        | 6.074                                                | 0.256                      |
| 17 | PBDE205     |                                   | 8.755                                        | 2.568                                        | 2.936                                                | 0.194                      |
| 18 | PBDE191     |                                   | 8.757                                        | 2.313                                        | 2.644                                                | 0.199                      |
| 19 | PBB114      |                                   | 8.765                                        | 6.539                                        | 7.474                                                | 0.179                      |
| 20 | PBB190      |                                   | 8.773                                        | 5.719                                        | 6.537                                                | 0.201                      |
| 21 | PBDE107     |                                   | 8.782                                        | 4.650                                        | 5.315                                                | 0.238                      |
| 22 | PBDE012     |                                   | 8.800                                        | 2.955                                        | 3.377                                                | 0.244                      |
| 23 | PBB162      |                                   | 8.812                                        | 5.744                                        | 6.566                                                | 0.194                      |
| 24 | PBB159      |                                   | 8.846                                        | 5.529                                        | 6.319                                                | 0.197                      |
| 25 | PBB170      |                                   | 8.860                                        | 5.670                                        | 6.481                                                | 0.228                      |
| 26 | PBDE038     |                                   | 8.881                                        | 2.386                                        | 2.727                                                | 0.274                      |
| 27 | PBB118      |                                   | 8.910                                        | 6.833                                        | 7.810                                                | 0.187                      |
| 28 | PBDE013     |                                   | 8.930                                        | 4.968                                        | 5.679                                                | 0.249                      |
| 29 | PBDE164     |                                   | 9.011                                        | 3.472                                        | 3.969                                                | 0.302                      |
| 30 | PBDE159     |                                   | 9.031                                        | 2.048                                        | 2.340                                                | 0.248                      |
| 31 | PBB194      |                                   | 9.086                                        | 6.119                                        | 6.994                                                | 0.215                      |
| 32 | PBB079      |                                   | 9.093                                        | 6.707                                        | 7.666                                                | 0.193                      |
| 33 | PBDE039     |                                   | 9.110                                        | 4.362                                        | 4.985                                                | 0.286                      |

Table 4.8. Continued.

| No | Name                          | Experimental $pIC_{50}$ | Pred. $pIC_{50}$ by model Eq.4.2 | Pred. $pIC_{50}$ by model Eq.4.1 | Corrected $pIC_{50}$ value for TCDF* | HAT i/i ( $h^*=0.329$ ) |
|----|-------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
|    | <b>TCDD</b>                   | <b>9.144</b>            |                                  |                                  |                                      |                         |
| 34 | PBDE167                       |                         | 9.246                            | 3.158                            | 3.610                                | 0.213                   |
| 35 | PBB156                        |                         | 9.258                            | 6.820                            | 7.795                                | 0.202                   |
| 36 | PBB105                        |                         | 9.270                            | 6.378                            | 7.290                                | 0.249                   |
| 37 | PBDE054                       |                         | 9.313                            | 4.109                            | 4.696                                | 0.164                   |
| 38 | PBB123                        |                         | 9.358                            | 6.027                            | 6.889                                | 0.290                   |
| 39 | 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxBDF             |                         | 9.365                            | 8.560                            | 9.784                                | 0.094                   |
| 40 | PBB127                        |                         | 9.387                            | 6.579                            | 7.520                                | 0.204                   |
| 41 | PBB167                        |                         | 9.391                            | 6.795                            | 7.767                                | 0.220                   |
| 42 | OBDD                          |                         | 9.397                            | 6.235                            | 7.126                                | 0.125                   |
| 43 | PBDE157                       |                         | 9.456                            | 3.493                            | 3.993                                | 0.223                   |
| 44 | PBB205                        |                         | 9.471                            | 4.687                            | 5.357                                | 0.322                   |
| 45 | Tjipanazole                   |                         | 9.490                            | 6.480                            | 7.407                                | 0.166                   |
| 46 | 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxBDD             |                         | 9.501                            | 8.784                            | 10.040                               | 0.137                   |
| 47 | OBDF                          |                         | 9.504                            | 6.104                            | 6.977                                | 0.113                   |
| 48 | 3-methyldibenzo[ah]anthracene |                         | 9.531                            | 4.515                            | 5.161                                | 0.141                   |
| 49 | PBDE189                       |                         | 9.561                            | 2.350                            | 2.686                                | 0.253                   |
| 50 | 1,2,3,7,8-PeBDF               |                         | 9.601                            | 8.088                            | 9.245                                | 0.105                   |
| 51 | PBB189                        |                         | 9.701                            | 6.571                            | 7.511                                | 0.240                   |
| 52 | PBB157                        |                         | 9.721                            | 6.105                            | 6.978                                | 0.310                   |
| 53 | 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpBDF           |                         | 9.816                            | 6.817                            | 7.792                                | 0.130                   |
| 54 | 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxBDD             |                         | 9.820                            | 7.368                            | 8.422                                | 0.136                   |
| 55 | PBB077                        |                         | 9.839                            | 7.382                            | 8.438                                | 0.228                   |
| 56 | 2,3,4,7,8-PeBDF               |                         | 9.862                            | 9.499                            | 10.857                               | 0.110                   |
| 57 | 2,3,7,8-TeBDF                 |                         | 9.878                            | 9.807                            | 11.209                               | 0.112                   |
| 58 | 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxBDD             |                         | 9.888                            | 7.251                            | 8.288                                | 0.148                   |
| 59 | 1,2,3,7,8-PeBDD               |                         | 9.966                            | 8.543                            | 9.765                                | 0.138                   |

Table 4.8. Continued

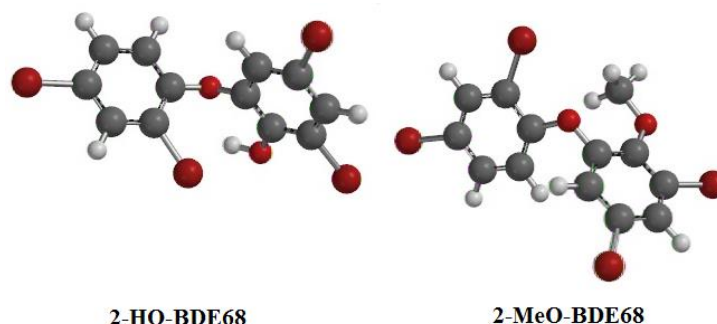
| No | Name    | Experimental<br>pIC <sub>50</sub> | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from<br>Eq.4.2 | Pred.<br>pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from<br>Eq.4.1 | Corrected<br>pIC <sub>50</sub><br>value for<br>TCDF* | HAT i/i<br>( <i>h</i> *=0.329) |
|----|---------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 60 | PBB126  |                                   | 10.054                                       | 7.572                                        | 8.655                                                | 0.238                          |
| 61 | PBDE037 |                                   | 10.068                                       | 3.943                                        | 4.507                                                | 0.257                          |
| 62 | PBB169  |                                   | 10.228                                       | 7.666                                        | 8.762                                                | 0.247                          |
| 63 | PBDE081 |                                   | 10.428                                       | 4.153                                        | 4.747                                                | 0.288                          |

\*Original binding affinity data were normalized to TCDF using a scaling factor of 1.143 (Waller and McKinney, 1995).

The predicted values from Eq.4.2 indicated that 4 other chemicals had pIC<sub>50</sub> values which were higher than the pIC<sub>50</sub> value of TCDF. These chemicals, 4'-isopropyl-2,3,4,5-tetrachlorobiphenyl, 4'-t-butyl-2,3,4,5-tetrachlorobiphenyl, 2,3',4,4'-tetrabromodiphenyl ether, 3,3',4,4'-tetrabromodiphenyl ether and 2,3,7,8-tetrabromo dibenzo-*p*-dioxin, have their experimental values which enables us to make a comparison between experimental and predicted values. The experimental and predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> value of PBDD congener was highly comparable. Predictive ability of Eq 4.2. for PBDD congeners is high as it can be seen in Figure 4.15. On the other hand, mentioned diphenyl ether and bulky substituted biphenyl compounds' predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> were not consistent with the experimental values. This result is coherent with Figure 4.15 and Figure 4.16, as they each show the structural coverage of halogenated biphenyls and halogenated diphenyl ethers, respectively. The low predictive ability of BDEs could be explained by the fact that the TCDF-normalized did not have any representatives of BDE group, and therefore this model did not have any descriptors that would explain this group's properties. For instance F09[C-Br] in Eq 4.1 specifically represents diphenyl ether groups. Additionally, predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> values of PBBs, PCDFs, PCDDs from two models are close to one another, which indicate the reliability of predictive ability of the models for these chemical groups (Table 4.8).

Su and colleagues (2012b) claimed HO-PBDEs have greater AhR binding affinity in comparison to MeO-PBDEs, and both of these BDE derivatives show greater potencies to induce AhR. This assumption was supported by comparing predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> values of

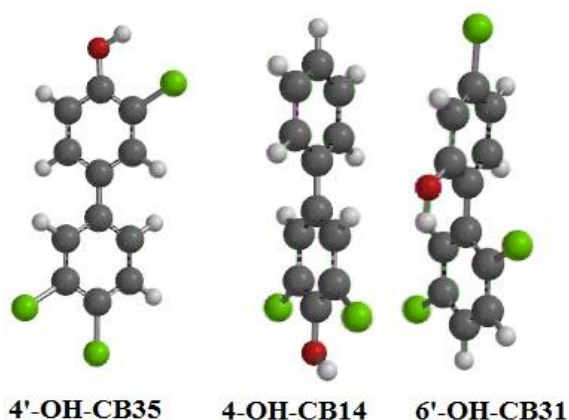
hydroxylated and methoxylated derivatives of BDE-123 (with 2-MeO-BDE and 2-OH-BDE), BDE-28 (with 2-MeO-BDE and 2-OH-BDE) and BDE-68 (with 2-MeO-BDE and 2-OH-BDE). Examples for these groups are given in Figure 4.19.



**Figure 4.19.** Structures of 2-HO-BDE 68 and 2-MeO-BDE68, respectively.

It is widely known that PCB congeners that lack ortho substitution are the most potent to the AhR. Due to their planar structure they can easily fit into the binding site of the receptor, and PCB 126 (3,3',4,4'-penta-CB) shows the most dioxin-like effect among the PCB congeners. Compounds that have ortho substitution tend to be more bulky, and therefore, do not have a planar configuration. These congeners show lower binding affinity to the receptor (Lindén et al., 2010). Both of the generated models in the present study are able to confirm this trend. Many planar PCB congeners in the external set, including PCB 169 (3,3',4,4',5,5'-hexa-CB) and PCB 123 (2,3', 4,4',5'-penta-CB), had high predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> values.

Cao and colleagues (2013) published a paper on hydroxylated and methoxylated PCBs and their activity on AhR. They discuss that substitution at 3-position of the benzene ring in PCB would result in increased activity and they supported this claim by comparing activities of 4'-OH-BDE-35 (3,3',4) and 4'-OH-BDE-33 (2,3,4') to 6'-OH-BDE-31(2,4',5) and 2'-OH-BDE-30 (2,4,6). Both TCDD and TCDF-based models were able to confirm their claims as predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> values of 4'-OH-BDE-35 and 4'-OH-BDE-33 were significantly higher compared to 6'-OH-BDE-31(2,4',5) and 2'-OH-BDE-30(2,4,6). Structures of some of the mentioned chemicals are given in Figure 4.20.



**Figure 4.20.** Chemical structures of hydroxy substituted polychlorinated biphenyls.

They also claimed that substitution of electropositive groups at the 5- position, and substitution of electronegative groups near the 2'-position would increase the activity. However, none of the models in the present study are able to support this claim. Finally, they state that substitution of hydrophobic groups like methoxy and chlorine to the 4-position carbon on the benzene ring would improve the activity. They tested this claim by comparing activities of 3'-OH-CB-31 and 2'-OH-CB-9 (2, 5) and predicting that 3'-OH-CB-31's activity would be higher. Again, both TCDD and TCDF-based models were able to support this claim.

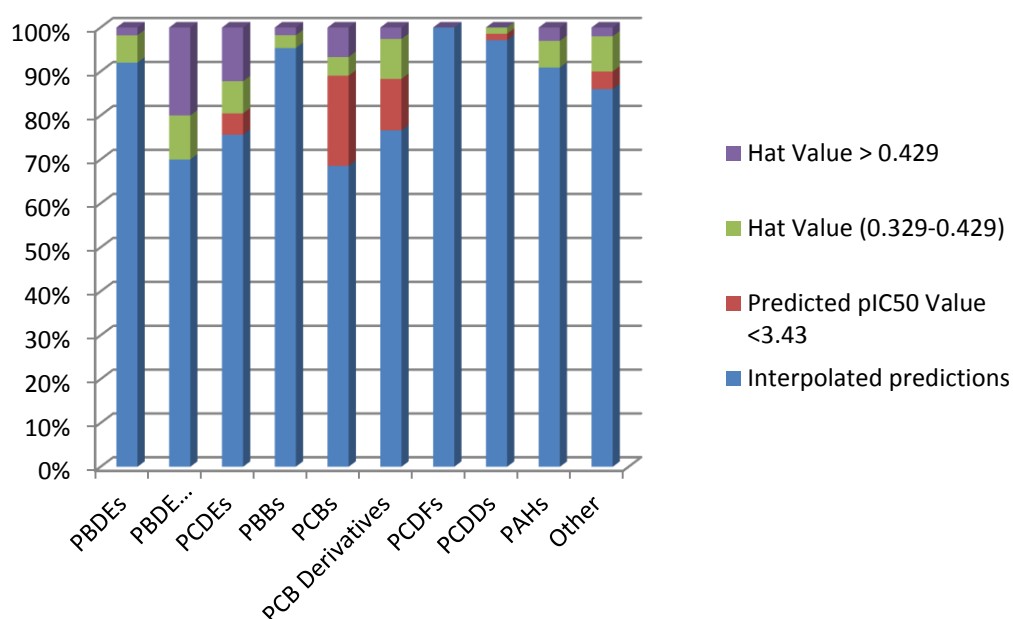
Three of the polychlorinated diphenyl sulfides (PCDPSs) (2,2',3,3',4,5,6-hepta-CDPS, 2,2',3',4,5-penta-CDPS and 2,4,4',5-tetra-CDPS) are thought to have comparable or higher binding affinities towards AhR compared to many mono and ortho substituted PCBs (Zhang et al., 2016). This claim however, could not be supported with either of the models that have been proposed in the present study.

For polyaromatic hydrocarbons, adding halogens like chlorine and bromine or groups like methyl enhance binding affinity towards the AhR (Lee et al., 2015). Both of the models in this thesis were able to affirm this trend.

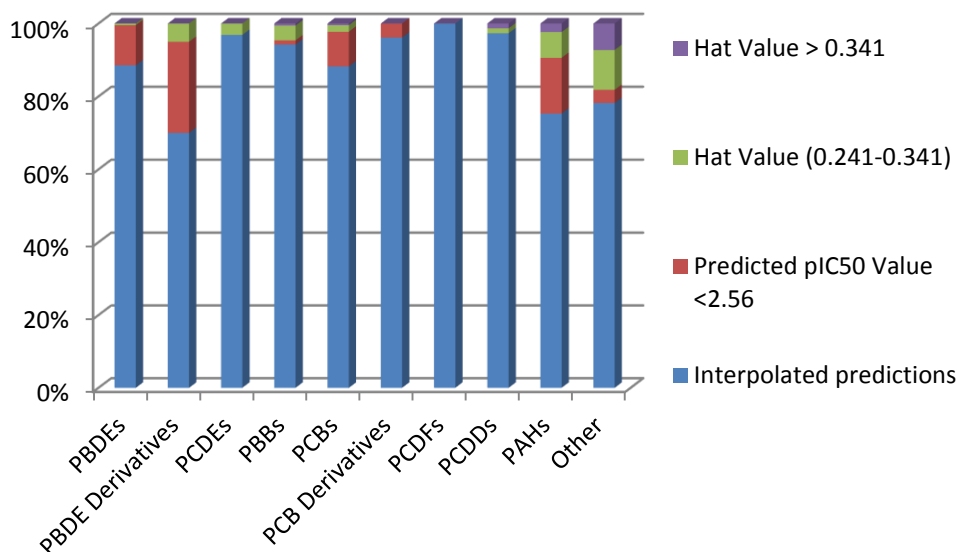


#### 4.4.3. Comparison and further discussion on the models of TCDD and TCDF-normalized data sets

Overall, the TCDD-based model had a better structural coverage when compared to TCDF-based model. Hat values of the predicted compounds were mostly lower than the model's critical hat value ( $h^*=0.241$ ), few compounds had hat values between 0.241 and 0.341 which was still considered to be reliable. Even fewer compounds had hat values that were above the reliable prediction limit. On the other hand, TCDF-based model had more compounds those hat value was over the critical hat value ( $h^*=0.329$ ). Structural coverage of TCDF-based model and TCDD-based model are given in Figure 4.21 and Figure 4.22, respectively.



**Figure 4.21.** Structural coverage of interpolated predictions of each chemical group showing the percentage of compounds that exceed the critical hat values and below the data set range for TCDF-normalized data.



**Figure 4.22.** Structural coverage of interpolated predictions of each chemical group showing the percentage of compounds that exceed the critical hat values and below the data set range for TCDF-normalized data.

Both models were extremely reliable in predicting PCDDs and PCDFs. The model for TCDD-normalized data was not exceptionally satisfying in predicting PBDE congeners and derivatives as most of the predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> values of selected compounds were out of the response range of the model. However, it was more reliable in predicting these compounds compared to TCDF-based model since predictions that are made by TCDD-based model either fall within the structural applicability domain, or they have hat values higher than the critical hat value yet within acceptable limits.

TCDD-based model was again more reliable in predicting PCBs and PCB derivatives as the TCDF-based model was not extremely reliable in predicting these compounds. Nevertheless, the TCDF-based model was particularly satisfactory in predicting the pIC<sub>50</sub> values of selected polyaromatic hydrocarbons.

Statistical parameters of the models developed for TCDD-normalized and TCDF-normalized data sets are compared in Table 4.10. Both models had consisted descriptors from 2D Autocorrelations and 2D Atom Pairs blocks. T<sub>m</sub>, from Equation 4.2 is mass related

parameter. TCDD-based model had 2 and, TCDF-based model had 3 indicating variables. For instance M\_RNG in Equation 4.1 descriptor has a range between 0-1, F09[C-Br], another descriptor from Equation 4.1, has a range between 0-2. In addition to that, this descriptor just indicates the presence of PBDE groups in the model. F04[Cl-Cl] descriptor in Equation 4.2, on the other hand, can get a value between 0-4. All of these descriptors enhance the statistical metrics of the model and are present in the model due some groups of chemicals. Minimum and maximum values of each descriptor in both models are given in Table 4.9.

**Table 4.9.** Range of descriptors appeared in Eq.4.1 and Eq.4.2, respectively.

| TCDD-based Model (Eq. 4.1) |               |               | TCDF-based Model (Eq. 4.2) |               |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Descriptor                 | Minimum Value | Maximum Value | Descriptor                 | Minimum Value | Maximum Value |
| MATS5m                     | -0.747        | 0.482         | RFD                        | 0             | 0.400         |
| MATS5v                     | -0.640        | 0.384         | MATS5s                     | -0.547        | 0.480         |
| F09[C-Br]                  | 0             | 3             | Tm                         | 6.417         | 21.511        |
| M_RNG                      | 0             | 1             | nHAcc                      | 0             | 2             |
| RgGrav__3                  | 1.806         | 4.660         | B04[O-Cl]                  | 0             | 1             |
| D                          |               |               |                            |               |               |
| Mor03v                     | -4.541        | -0.511        | F04[Cl-Cl]                 | 0             | 4             |
|                            |               |               | LOC                        | 0             | 0.881         |

**Table 4.10.** Fitting criteria, internal and external validation metrics and descriptors for TCDF and TCDD-based models.

| Model                       | Descriptors   |                 |                 |            |              |             |              |               |                |        |       |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|--------|-------|
| TCDF_3                      | RFD           | MATS5s          | Tm              | nHAcc      | B04[O-Cl]    | F04[Cl-Cl]  | LOC          |               |                |        |       |
| TCDD_4                      | MATS5m        | MATS5v          | F09[C-Br]       | M_RNG      | RgGrav__3D   | Mor03v      |              |               |                |        |       |
| Fitting Parameters          |               |                 |                 |            |              |             |              |               |                |        |       |
| Model                       | $R^2$         | $R^2_{adj}$     | $R^2-R^2_{adj}$ | $K_{xx}$   | Delta $K$    | $RMSE_{Tr}$ | $MAE_{Tr}$   | $CCC_{Tr}$    | $s$            | $F$    |       |
| TCDF_3                      | 0.850         | 0.834           | 0.016           | 0.412      | 0.019        | 0.638       | 0.503        | 0.919         | 0.677          | 29.746 |       |
| TCDD_4                      | 0.840         | 0.828           | 0.012           | 0.413      | 0.050        | 0.671       | 0.563        | 0.913         | 0.700          | 52.493 |       |
| Internal Validation Metrics |               |                 |                 |            |              |             |              |               |                |        |       |
| Model                       | $Q^2_{LOO}$   | $R^2-Q^2_{LOO}$ | $RMS_{CV}$      | $MAE_{CV}$ | $PRESS_{CV}$ | $CCC_{CV}$  | $R^2_{Yscr}$ | $RMSE_{AV}$   | $Q^2_{Yscr}$   |        |       |
|                             |               |                 |                 |            |              |             |              | $Y_{scr}$     |                |        |       |
| TCDF_3                      | 0.815         | 0.035           | 0.708           | 0.563      | 36.619       | 0.900       | 0.097        | 1.564         | -0.144         |        |       |
| TCDD_4                      | 0.810         | 0.030           | 0.731           | 0.613      | 46.477       | 0.897       | 0.071        | 1.617         | -0.101         |        |       |
| External Validation Metrics |               |                 |                 |            |              |             |              |               |                |        |       |
| Model                       | $RMSE_{Test}$ | $MAE_{Test}$    | $R^2_{Test}$    | $Q^2_{F1}$ | $Q^2_{F2}$   | $Q^2_{F3}$  | $CCC_{Test}$ | $r^2_m$ aver. | $\Delta r^2_m$ | $k'$   | $k$   |
| TCDF_3                      | 0.476         | 0.365           | 0.913           | 0.893      | 0.893        | 0.917       | 0.940        | 0.817         | 0.089          | 0.970  | 1.027 |
| TCDD_4                      | 0.407         | 0.320           | 0.910           | 0.908      | 0.898        | 0.941       | 0.946        | 0.869         | 0.080          | 0.968  | 1.028 |

#### **4.4.4. Comparison of the QSTR models from the present study with the previously published models**

To compare our models with the studies that have been published previously is important, since the comparison points out the strengths and weaknesses of the present study. Even though an exact comparison is not possible, as each author use different methods, software and a unique data set with different compounds, it is still vital to compare to contrast. A comparison of some features and parameters of selected models are given in the Table 4.11.

To start with, many of the previous work lack the necessary validation parameters.  $R^2$ ,  $Q^2$ ,  $s$  and  $F$  values are usually provided, however, these are not enough to assume that the model is valid and robust. In addition to that, data sets in previous studies include various groups of compounds yet, authors chose to model each compound group separately in many occasions. This surely limits the developed model's applicability domain. On the other hand, some authors chose to develop their model with a small number of compounds that belong to the same group. They obtained good  $R^2$  and  $Q^2$  parameters; yet again, their applicability domain is extremely limited as the variables in the model could only represent a small number of compound and not more.

The healthiest comparison that can be made between this study and the study of Ruffa (2013) as the method and the software that has been used are almost the same and the time gap is relatively short (regarding the technological advances in the field, especially regarding the software). In this work, in addition to DRAGON 6.0 software, ADMET 8.0 was employed for descriptor calculation. Added descriptors from the latter software may have enhanced the internal and external validation parameters. In addition to that a newer version of QSARINS software was used in the present study. In general, both models developed in this work seem superior to the previous models.

**Table 4.11.** Comparison of the statistical parameters of generated models to those of the previously published models.

| <b>Chemical groups</b>                                                              | <b>Method</b>    | <b><i>N</i>*</b> | <b><i>R</i><sup>2</sup></b> | <b><i>Q</i><sup>2</sup></b> | <b><i>Q</i><sup>2</sup><sub>LOO</sub></b> | <b><i>R</i><sup>2</sup><sub>Test</sub></b> | <b>RMSE<sub>Test</sub></b> | <b>Reference</b>                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| dioxins, furans, biphenyls, naphthalenes, carbazole derivatives                     | CoMFA            | 99               | 0.824                       | 0.453                       | N/A                                       | N/A                                        | N/A                        | <b>Waller and McKinney 1995</b>  |
| dioxins, furans, biphenyls, naphthalenes                                            | CoMFA/<br>CoMSIA | 95               | 0.9/0.873                   | 0.631/0.711                 | N/A                                       | N/A                                        | N/A                        | <b>Ashek et al., 2006</b>        |
| dioxins, furans, biphenyls, naphthalenes, carbazole derivatives                     | CoMFA            | 91               | 0.910                       | 0.620                       | 0.620                                     | N/A                                        | N/A                        | <b>LoPiparo et al., 2006</b>     |
| BFR                                                                                 | MLR              |                  | 0.900                       |                             | 0.790                                     | 0.730                                      | 0.420                      | <b>Papa et al., 2010</b>         |
| dioxins and furans                                                                  | PLS              | 60               | 0.549                       | 0.603                       | N/A                                       | N/A                                        | N/A                        | <b>Diao et. Al, 2010</b>         |
| dioxins, furans and biphenyls                                                       | PLS              | 65               | 0.992                       | 0.907                       | N/A                                       | N/A                                        | 0.446                      | <b>Li et al., 2011</b>           |
| diphenyl ethers                                                                     | PLS              | 18               | 0.932                       | 0.894                       | N/A                                       | N/A                                        | N/A                        | <b>Gu et al., 2012</b>           |
| dioxins, furans and biphenyls                                                       | CoMFA            | 78               | 0.858                       | 0.684                       | N/A                                       | N/A                                        | N/A                        | <b>Yuan et al., 2014</b>         |
| dioxins, furans, biphenyls, diphenyl ethers                                         | MLR              | 109              | 0.822                       | N/A                         | 0.792                                     | 0.813                                      | 0.678                      | <b>Ruffa, 2013</b>               |
| dioxins, furans, biphenyls, diphenyl ethers                                         | MLR              | 108              | 0.850                       | N/A                         | 0.815                                     | 0.913                                      | 0.476                      | <b>Present work (TCDD-based)</b> |
| dioxins, furans, biphenyls, diphenyl ethers, naphthalenes and carbazole derivatives | MLR              | 90               | 0.840                       | N/A                         | 0.810                                     | 0.910                                      | 0.407                      | <b>Present work (TCDF-based)</b> |

*N*\* refers to the number of chemicals in the data sets.

## 5. CONCLUSION

In this study, two QSTR models, one for TCDD-normalized data and one for TCDF-normalized data were developed and validated both internally and externally. Both of the models fully comply with OECD criteria.

TCDD-based model had 6 descriptors and TCDF-based model had 7 descriptors to represent complex data set compounds, comprised of halogenated dioxins, dibenzofurans, biphenyls, biphenyl derivatives, diphenyl ethers, naphthalene and polyaromatic hydrocarbons, on their AhR binding affinity. Descriptors that represented the entire data were quite complex, which prove that AhR binding affinity is too complicated to be explained with a simple pathway. Nevertheless, it is likely to interpret the mechanism of AhR binding affinity of TCDD/F-like chemicals using the information gathered from the definition and sign of the descriptors appeared in the generated models.

The effects of conformation, structural connectivity, compactness, holistic structure, atomic van der Waals volume, frequency and specific position of C-Br group, ring structure type and atomic mass on the AhR binding affinity have been demonstrated by the model equation (Eq. 4.1) generated for TCDD-like chemicals.

The effects of branching and flexibility, size of the molecule, the number of acceptor atoms for H-bonds in the structure, frequency and specific position of O-Cl and Cl-Cl groups, ring fusion density and I-state of the molecules on the AhR binding affinity have been demonstrated by the model equation (Eq. 4.2) generated for TCDF-like chemicals.

The present study was able to affirm some of the claims from previous work. Both models supported the claim that states HO-PBDEs have greater AhR binding affinity in comparison to MeO-PBDEs, and both of these BDE derivatives show greater potencies to induce AhR. Moreover, assumptions which suggest that ortho substituted PCBs show lower affinity towards AhR, that substitution of hydrophobic groups like methoxy and chlorine to the 4-position carbon on the benzene ring in PCB would improve the activity, that substitution at 3-position of the benzene ring in PCB would result in increased activity and

that halogenation of PAHs enhanced binding affinity towards the AhR were supported as well.

However, the proposed models were unable to confirm the claim which suggests that substitution of electropositive groups at the 5- position, and substitution of electronegative groups near the 2'-position would increase the activity.

Generated models were superior in terms of compliance with internal and external validation metrics. In addition to that, unlike many works in the literature, this work provided all of the internal and external metrics. Moreover, this work employed many software tools that provided thousands of descriptors in total to make sure built models are covered by the most appropriate descriptors.

Models were externally tested with approximately 900 compounds which are structurally close to the compounds in the data sets. The TCDD- and TCDF-based models had 95.55% and 89.37% structural coverage, respectively. Both models were reliable in terms of predicting brominated biphenyl, halogenated dibenzo-*p*-dioxin and halogenated dibenzofuran groups. TCDF-based model was more reliable in terms of predicting PAHs, whereas TCDD-based model had a better predictive ability for substituted diphenyl ethers and substituted biphenyls, especially when the substituents are bulky groups.

Seven chemicals showed higher binding towards AhR compared to the binding affinity of TCDD and TCDF. These seven chemicals included polybrominated dibenzofurans. They are very persistent in the environment and they can be found in different media. In addition to that, they have adverse effects on human health. These chemicals did not have any experimental or predicted AhR binding affinity data; this work provides reliable predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> values for these chemicals. These values could turn into mg/L unit and they can be used in REACH database.



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## APPENDIX A1

**Table A1.** Hat, descriptor and predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> values from the TCDD-based model Equation 4.1 for external set chemicals.

| Chemical                             | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( <i>h</i> *=0.241) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-<br>Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|---------------|-------|-----------|--------|
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpBDF                  | 6.817                                  | 0.180                          | -0.406 | -0.356 | 0             | 1     | 4.303     | -3.543 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7-<br>hexabromonaphthalene | 4.841                                  | 0.141                          | -0.256 | -0.027 | 0             | 0     | 3.794     | -3.062 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxBDD                    | 8.784                                  | 0.084                          | -0.050 | 0.127  | 0             | 1     | 4.473     | -2.871 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxBDF                    | 8.560                                  | 0.148                          | -0.216 | 0.111  | 0             | 1     | 4.265     | -3.149 |
| 1,2,3,5,6,7-<br>hexabromonaphthalene | 4.884                                  | 0.139                          | -0.256 | -0.027 | 0             | 0     | 3.810     | -3.060 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxBDD                    | 7.368                                  | 0.176                          | -0.284 | -0.347 | 0             | 1     | 4.510     | -3.045 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxBDD                    | 7.251                                  | 0.165                          | -0.284 | -0.347 | 0             | 1     | 4.441     | -2.964 |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeBDD                      | 8.543                                  | 0.099                          | -0.137 | -0.065 | 0             | 1     | 4.531     | -2.654 |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeBDF                      | 8.088                                  | 0.100                          | -0.289 | -0.062 | 0             | 1     | 4.229     | -2.947 |
| 1,2,4,6,7-<br>pentabromonaphthalene  | 5.028                                  | 0.109                          | 0.028  | 0.244  | 0             | 0     | 3.694     | -2.754 |
| 1,2,6,9-<br>tetramethylphenanthrene  | 2.942                                  | 0.092                          | -0.039 | -0.039 | 0             | 0     | 3.130     | -2.136 |
| 1,2,6-<br>trimethylphenanthrene      | 3.037                                  | 0.086                          | 0.019  | 0.019  | 0             | 0     | 3.078     | -1.922 |
| 1,2,9-trimethylphenanthrene          | 2.388                                  | 0.124                          | -0.070 | -0.070 | 0             | 0     | 2.958     | -2.210 |
| 1,2-dimethylphenanthrene             | 2.582                                  | 0.108                          | -0.004 | -0.004 | 0             | 0     | 2.890     | -1.840 |
| 1,3,6-trimethylchrysene              | 3.161                                  | 0.152                          | -0.251 | -0.251 | 0             | 0     | 3.470     | -2.725 |

Table A1. Continued.

| Chemical                                    | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>(h*=0.241) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-<br>Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------|--------|---------------|-------|-----------|--------|
| <b>1-bromo-4-methylnaphthalene</b>          | 1.109                                  | 0.206                 | -0.059 | -0.175 | 0             | 0     | 2.524     | -1.702 |
| <b>1-methylbenz[a]anthracene</b>            | 2.880                                  | 0.111                 | -0.128 | -0.128 | 0             | 0     | 3.219     | -2.392 |
| <b>1-methylchrysene</b>                     | 3.015                                  | 0.106                 | -0.135 | -0.135 | 0             | 0     | 3.269     | -2.385 |
| <b>1-methylnaphthalene</b>                  | 0.880                                  | 0.259                 | -0.221 | -0.221 | 0             | 0     | 2.165     | -1.327 |
| <b>2,2',3,3',4,5,6-heptaCDPS</b>            | 3.104                                  | 0.121                 | -0.057 | -0.147 | 0             | 0     | 3.453     | -2.434 |
| <b>2,2,3,3-tetrachloroDPS</b>               | 3.455                                  | 0.228                 | -0.420 | -0.314 | 0             | 0     | 3.047     | -1.480 |
| <b>2,2',3,4,5-pentaCDPS</b>                 | 3.649                                  | 0.081                 | 0.031  | -0.036 | 0             | 0     | 3.427     | -1.941 |
| <b>2,2,3-trichloroDPS</b>                   | 3.147                                  | 0.141                 | -0.320 | -0.183 | 0             | 0     | 2.999     | -1.966 |
| <b>2,2,4,4',5pentaCDPS</b>                  | 3.892                                  | 0.125                 | 0.314  | 0.190  | 0             | 0     | 3.616     | -2.222 |
| <b>2,2,4,5-tetrachloroDPS</b>               | 2.880                                  | 0.135                 | 0.173  | 0.088  | 0             | 0     | 3.271     | -2.391 |
| <b>2,3,3',4,4',5,6-heptaCDPS</b>            | 3.765                                  | 0.239                 | 0.288  | 0.187  | 0             | 0     | 3.842     | -3.174 |
| <b>2,3,3',4,5,6-hexaCDPS</b>                | 2.994                                  | 0.236                 | 0.157  | 0.057  | 0             | 0     | 3.590     | -3.153 |
| <b>2,3,3-trichloroDPS</b>                   | 3.640                                  | 0.128                 | -0.315 | -0.231 | 0             | 0     | 3.315     | -2.088 |
| <b>2,3,4,4',5,6-hexaCDPS</b>                | 3.681                                  | 0.267                 | 0.441  | 0.333  | 0             | 0     | 3.679     | -2.884 |
| <b>2,3,4,5,6-pentaCPDS</b>                  | 2.556                                  | 0.268                 | 0.312  | 0.200  | 0             | 0     | 3.292     | -2.824 |
| <b>2,3,4,5-tetrachloroDPS</b>               | 4.082                                  | 0.111                 | 0.191  | 0.046  | 0             | 0     | 3.759     | -2.204 |
| <b>2,3,4,7,8-PeBDF</b>                      | 9.499                                  | 0.203                 | -0.208 | 0.192  | 0             | 1     | 4.385     | -2.849 |
| <b>2,3,6,7-tetrabromonaphthalene</b>        | 7.648                                  | 0.394                 | -0.360 | 0.250  | 0             | 0     | 3.885     | -2.114 |
| <b>2,3,6,7-tetrachloro-dibenzo-p-dioxin</b> | 6.570                                  | 0.026                 | 0.005  | -0.010 | 0             | 1     | 3.780     | -2.258 |
| <b>2,3,6-tetrachloro-dibenzo-p-dioxin</b>   | 5.866                                  | 0.027                 | -0.016 | -0.023 | 0             | 1     | 3.459     | -2.096 |
| <b>2,3,7,8-TeBDF</b>                        | 9.807                                  | 0.201                 | -0.072 | 0.298  | 0             | 1     | 4.396     | -2.501 |

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|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|---------------|-------|-----------|--------|
| <b>2,3-dichloro-DPS</b>                | 3.033                                  | 0.140                          | -0.241 | -0.139 | 0             | 0     | 2.870     | -1.582 |
| <b>2.4.4.5-tetrachloroDPS</b>          | 3.924                                  | 0.219                          | 0.482  | 0.238  | 0             | 0     | 3.742     | -2.081 |
| <b>2.4.5-trichloroDPS</b>              | 3.616                                  | 0.155                          | 0.332  | 0.131  | 0             | 0     | 3.531     | -1.864 |
| <b>2.4.6-trichloroDPS</b>              | 3.287                                  | 0.078                          | -0.011 | -0.015 | 0             | 0     | 3.247     | -2.107 |
| <b>2.4.7-trimethyldibenzothiophene</b> | 4.072                                  | 0.248                          | -0.645 | -0.568 | 0             | 1     | 2.890     | -2.221 |
| <b>2.4-dimethyldibenzothiophene</b>    | 3.727                                  | 0.322                          | -0.747 | -0.640 | 0             | 1     | 2.770     | -2.310 |
| <b>2346TeCDE</b>                       | 3.904                                  | 0.082                          | -0.186 | -0.076 | 0             | 0     | 3.301     | -2.018 |
| <b>2-bromo-1-methylnaphthalene</b>     | 1.842                                  | 0.168                          | 0.016  | -0.092 | 0             | 0     | 2.671     | -1.430 |
| <b>2-hydroxy-BDE007</b>                | 3.103                                  | 0.072                          | -0.004 | 0.084  | 1             | 0     | 3.289     | -1.541 |
| <b>2-hydroxy-BDE028</b>                | 3.325                                  | 0.095                          | -0.046 | -0.049 | 2             | 0     | 4.232     | -2.238 |
| <b>2-hydroxy-BDE-066</b>               | 3.296                                  | 0.109                          | -0.100 | -0.131 | 2             | 0     | 4.348     | -2.422 |
| <b>2-hydroxy-BDE068</b>                | 4.708                                  | 0.060                          | -0.063 | 0.049  | 1             | 0     | 4.233     | -2.699 |
| <b>2-hydroxy-BDE123</b>                | 3.066                                  | 0.152                          | -0.110 | -0.122 | 2             | 0     | 4.375     | -2.867 |
| <b>2'-hydroxy-CB005</b>                | 2.442                                  | 0.123                          | -0.100 | -0.112 | 0             | 0     | 2.849     | -1.708 |
| <b>2'-hydroxy-CB009</b>                | 1.925                                  | 0.200                          | 0.245  | 0.029  | 0             | 0     | 2.927     | -1.768 |
| <b>2'-hydroxy-CB012</b>                | 3.333                                  | 0.078                          | 0.016  | 0.010  | 0             | 0     | 3.165     | -1.814 |
| <b>2-hydroxy-CB025</b>                 | 3.803                                  | 0.077                          | -0.068 | -0.059 | 0             | 0     | 3.336     | -1.800 |
| <b>2-hydroxy-CB030</b>                 | 3.005                                  | 0.147                          | -0.123 | -0.160 | 0             | 0     | 3.000     | -1.364 |
| <b>2-hydroxy-CB035</b>                 | 4.519                                  | 0.054                          | -0.014 | 0.043  | 0             | 0     | 3.529     | -1.898 |
| <b>2-hydroxy-CB036</b>                 | 3.965                                  | 0.059                          | 0.021  | 0.072  | 0             | 0     | 3.426     | -2.221 |
| <b>2-hydroxy-CB036</b>                 | 4.074                                  | 0.062                          | -0.101 | -0.008 | 0             | 0     | 3.436     | -2.234 |
| <b>2-hydroxy-CB039</b>                 | 4.581                                  | 0.053                          | 0.108  | 0.124  | 0             | 0     | 3.590     | -1.913 |

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|---------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|---------------|-------|-----------|--------|
| 2-hydroxy-CB056           | 4.084                                  | 0.110                          | -0.217 | -0.164 | 0             | 0     | 3.410     | -1.798 |
| 2-hydroxy-CB061           | 3.081                                  | 0.105                          | 0.111  | 0.099  | 0             | 0     | 3.204     | -2.294 |
| 2-hydroxy-CB079           | 4.931                                  | 0.048                          | 0.043  | 0.150  | 0             | 0     | 3.714     | -2.335 |
| 2-hydroxy-CB080           | 4.448                                  | 0.079                          | -0.053 | 0.082  | 0             | 0     | 3.630     | -2.691 |
| 2-methyl-BDE028           | 2.010                                  | 0.271                          | 0.023  | 0.046  | 3             | 0     | 4.113     | -2.177 |
| 2-methyl-BDE068           | 2.410                                  | 0.146                          | -0.156 | -0.257 | 2             | 0     | 4.207     | -2.559 |
| 2-methyl-BDE123           | 1.581                                  | 0.269                          | -0.149 | -0.246 | 3             | 0     | 4.346     | -2.552 |
| 2-methyl-dibenzothiophene | 3.789                                  | 0.096                          | -0.094 | -0.143 | 0             | 1     | 2.701     | -1.825 |
| 2-methylnaphthalene       | 1.545                                  | 0.218                          | -0.076 | -0.076 | 0             | 0     | 2.288     | -1.089 |
| 2-methyl-phenanthrene     | 2.260                                  | 0.133                          | -0.142 | -0.142 | 0             | 0     | 2.806     | -1.810 |
| 3.3-diindoymethane        | 6.084                                  | 0.052                          | 0.062  | 0.031  | 0             | 1     | 3.446     | -1.749 |
| 3.4-dichloroDPS           | 3.014                                  | 0.120                          | 0.097  | -0.040 | 0             | 0     | 3.375     | -2.192 |
| 3-hydroxy-BDE007          | 3.330                                  | 0.052                          | -0.019 | 0.036  | 1             | 0     | 3.461     | -1.612 |
| 3-hydroxy-BDE028          | 3.388                                  | 0.093                          | 0.011  | 0.027  | 2             | 0     | 4.076     | -1.844 |
| 3-hydroxy-BDE047          | 3.068                                  | 0.111                          | -0.080 | -0.009 | 2             | 0     | 3.803     | -1.577 |
| 3-hydroxy-BDE100          | 3.198                                  | 0.135                          | -0.134 | 0.034  | 2             | 0     | 3.826     | -1.984 |
| 3-hydroxy-BDE154          | 3.943                                  | 0.153                          | 0.007  | 0.189  | 2             | 0     | 4.081     | -2.139 |
| 3-hydroxy-CB009           | 2.646                                  | 0.133                          | 0.164  | 0.020  | 0             | 0     | 3.084     | -1.739 |
| 3-hydroxy-CB028           | 4.412                                  | 0.064                          | -0.056 | -0.021 | 0             | 0     | 3.541     | -1.891 |
| 3-hydroxy-CB030           | 3.391                                  | 0.159                          | -0.334 | -0.267 | 0             | 0     | 3.155     | -1.763 |
| 3-hydroxy-CB031           | 2.646                                  | 0.133                          | 0.164  | 0.020  | 0             | 0     | 3.084     | -1.739 |
| 3-hydroxy-CB061           | 3.604                                  | 0.077                          | 0.050  | 0.086  | 0             | 0     | 3.342     | -2.324 |
| 3-hydroxy-CB065           | 3.005                                  | 0.093                          | 0.019  | -0.041 | 0             | 0     | 3.184     | -1.955 |
| 3-hydroxy-CB066           | 4.696                                  | 0.056                          | -0.103 | -0.009 | 0             | 0     | 3.655     | -2.200 |
| 3-hydroxy-CB068           | 4.362                                  | 0.080                          | -0.205 | -0.081 | 0             | 0     | 3.591     | -2.449 |

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|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|---------------|-------|-----------|--------|
| <b>3-methyl-BDE100</b>               | 2.440                                  | 0.228                          | -0.298 | -0.398 | 2             | 0     | 3.848     | -1.263 |
| <b>3-methylbenz[a]anthracene</b>     | 3.672                                  | 0.068                          | -0.016 | -0.016 | 0             | 0     | 3.422     | -2.223 |
| <b>3-methylchrysene</b>              | 3.275                                  | 0.087                          | -0.075 | -0.075 | 0             | 0     | 3.320     | -2.306 |
| <b>3-methyldibenzo[ah]anthracene</b> | 4.515                                  | 0.103                          | -0.038 | -0.038 | 0             | 0     | 3.963     | -2.913 |
| <b>3-methylphenanthrene</b>          | 2.267                                  | 0.128                          | -0.067 | -0.067 | 0             | 0     | 2.752     | -1.709 |
| <b>4.4-dichloroDPS</b>               | 3.507                                  | 0.271                          | 0.445  | 0.111  | 0             | 0     | 3.678     | -1.824 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-BDE017</b>              | 3.308                                  | 0.056                          | -0.145 | -0.031 | 1             | 0     | 3.515     | -2.007 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-BDE042</b>              | 3.579                                  | 0.055                          | -0.205 | -0.132 | 1             | 0     | 3.783     | -2.237 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-BDE049</b>              | 4.360                                  | 0.036                          | 0.073  | 0.128  | 1             | 0     | 3.989     | -2.162 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-BDE090</b>              | 4.085                                  | 0.050                          | -0.027 | 0.014  | 1             | 0     | 4.078     | -2.576 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB001</b>               | 3.002                                  | 0.131                          | -0.139 | -0.065 | 0             | 0     | 2.821     | -1.411 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB002</b>               | 3.294                                  | 0.093                          | 0.097  | 0.089  | 0             | 0     | 3.042     | -1.548 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB009</b>               | 3.124                                  | 0.120                          | 0.232  | 0.117  | 0             | 0     | 3.165     | -1.671 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB014</b>               | 3.667                                  | 0.074                          | 0.066  | 0.139  | 0             | 0     | 3.175     | -1.951 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB020</b>               | 4.027                                  | 0.081                          | -0.170 | -0.014 | 0             | 0     | 3.264     | -2.033 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB025</b>               | 4.509                                  | 0.057                          | -0.078 | 0.040  | 0             | 0     | 3.466     | -1.985 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB026</b>               | 3.698                                  | 0.064                          | 0.031  | 0.045  | 0             | 0     | 3.358     | -2.121 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB031</b>               | 4.249                                  | 0.064                          | 0.122  | 0.099  | 0             | 0     | 3.511     | -1.847 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB033</b>               | 4.231                                  | 0.078                          | -0.171 | -0.056 | 0             | 0     | 3.378     | -1.920 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB035</b>               | 5.271                                  | 0.053                          | 0.107  | 0.232  | 0             | 0     | 3.679     | -1.997 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB036</b>               | 4.931                                  | 0.057                          | 0.015  | 0.178  | 0             | 0     | 3.611     | -2.298 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB070</b>               | 4.682                                  | 0.046                          | 0.032  | 0.113  | 0             | 0     | 3.633     | -2.213 |
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB079</b>               | 5.779                                  | 0.076                          | 0.052  | 0.278  | 0             | 0     | 3.841     | -2.423 |



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|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| <b>4-hydroxy-CB106</b>                      | 5.061                                  | 0.094                          | 0.026  | 0.242  | 0         | 0     | 3.660     | -2.605 |
| <b>4-methoxy-BDE017</b>                     | 2.985                                  | 0.163                          | -0.013 | 0.152  | 2         | 0     | 3.699     | -1.944 |
| <b>4-methoxy-BDE049</b>                     | 2.821                                  | 0.119                          | 0.018  | 0.020  | 2         | 0     | 4.066     | -2.400 |
| <b>4-methoxy-BDE090</b>                     | 2.372                                  | 0.185                          | -0.191 | -0.338 | 2         | 0     | 3.922     | -1.424 |
| <b>4-methylbenz[a]anthracene</b>            | 3.501                                  | 0.072                          | -0.031 | -0.031 | 0         | 0     | 3.346     | -2.169 |
| <b>4-methylindolo[3.2-b]carbazole</b>       | 6.513                                  | 0.031                          | 0.013  | -0.026 | 0         | 1     | 3.894     | -2.555 |
| <b>4-N-acetylamino</b>                      | 4.807                                  | 0.107                          | 0.068  | -0.028 | 0         | 0     | 4.081     | -2.516 |
| <b>5.11-diacetyldindolo[3.2-b]carbazole</b> | 5.398                                  | 0.132                          | -0.227 | -0.278 | 0         | 1     | 3.843     | -3.373 |
| <b>5.11-diethylindolo[3.2-b]carbazole</b>   | 5.376                                  | 0.108                          | -0.228 | -0.261 | 0         | 1     | 3.758     | -3.232 |
| <b>5.11-dimethylindolo[3.2-b]carbazole</b>  | 5.345                                  | 0.075                          | -0.104 | -0.145 | 0         | 1     | 3.657     | -3.038 |
| <b>5-chloro-6-hydroxy-BDE047</b>            | 2.619                                  | 0.124                          | -0.125 | -0.136 | 2         | 0     | 4.113     | -2.559 |
| <b>5-chloro-6-methoxy-BDE047</b>            | 1.658                                  | 0.236                          | -0.046 | -0.060 | 3         | 0     | 3.890     | -1.609 |
| <b>5-hydroxy-BDE047</b>                     | 3.576                                  | 0.135                          | -0.027 | 0.105  | 2         | 0     | 3.847     | -1.522 |
| <b>5-hydroxy-CB002</b>                      | 3.101                                  | 0.099                          | -0.090 | -0.070 | 0         | 0     | 3.019     | -1.664 |
| <b>5-hydroxy-CB025</b>                      | 3.882                                  | 0.059                          | -0.020 | 0.010  | 0         | 0     | 3.403     | -2.086 |
| <b>5-hydroxy-CB033</b>                      | 3.366                                  | 0.132                          | -0.278 | -0.230 | 0         | 0     | 3.194     | -1.866 |
| <b>5-hydroxy-CB034</b>                      | 3.544                                  | 0.075                          | -0.112 | -0.044 | 0         | 0     | 3.266     | -2.166 |
| <b>5-hydroxy-CB066</b>                      | 4.515                                  | 0.081                          | -0.195 | -0.119 | 0         | 0     | 3.654     | -2.211 |
| <b>5-hydroxy-CB066</b>                      | 4.785                                  | 0.045                          | 0.008  | 0.083  | 0         | 0     | 3.690     | -2.214 |
| <b>5-hydroxy-CB068</b>                      | 4.443                                  | 0.059                          | -0.094 | 0.010  | 0         | 0     | 3.610     | -2.419 |
| <b>5-methoxy-BDE047</b>                     | 4.613                                  | 0.098                          | -0.024 | 0.193  | 1         | 0     | 3.965     | -2.600 |

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|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| <b>6-chloro-2-hydroxy-BDE068</b>      | 4.514                                  | 0.066                          | -0.025 | 0.089  | 1         | 0     | 4.154     | -2.725 |
| <b>6-chloro-2-hydroxy-BDE7</b>        | 2.817                                  | 0.056                          | -0.082 | -0.030 | 1         | 0     | 3.445     | -2.075 |
| <b>6-chloro-2-methoxy-BDE068</b>      | 2.521                                  | 0.141                          | -0.109 | -0.130 | 2         | 0     | 4.131     | -2.690 |
| <b>6-ethylchrysene</b>                | 2.714                                  | 0.150                          | -0.157 | -0.157 | 0         | 0     | 3.275     | -2.729 |
| <b>6-formylindolo[3,2-b]carbazole</b> | 5.556                                  | 0.038                          | -0.013 | -0.091 | 0         | 1     | 3.592     | -2.477 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE017</b>               | 2.930                                  | 0.063                          | -0.157 | -0.060 | 1         | 0     | 3.409     | -2.006 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE047</b>               | 2.652                                  | 0.102                          | -0.116 | -0.177 | 2         | 0     | 4.050     | -2.055 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE082</b>               | 3.404                                  | 0.123                          | -0.294 | -0.340 | 1         | 0     | 3.988     | -2.324 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE085</b>               | 2.326                                  | 0.134                          | -0.214 | -0.253 | 2         | 0     | 4.060     | -2.487 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE087</b>               | 4.153                                  | 0.035                          | -0.010 | 0.022  | 1         | 0     | 4.030     | -2.316 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE090</b>               | 4.210                                  | 0.056                          | 0.007  | 0.087  | 1         | 0     | 4.050     | -2.596 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE099</b>               | 4.179                                  | 0.160                          | 0.143  | 0.278  | 2         | 0     | 4.075     | -1.727 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE137</b>               | 2.494                                  | 0.142                          | -0.073 | -0.136 | 2         | 0     | 4.177     | -2.668 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE140</b>               | 1.881                                  | 0.165                          | -0.322 | -0.407 | 2         | 0     | 3.872     | -2.048 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE157</b>               | 1.940                                  | 0.235                          | -0.240 | -0.449 | 2         | 0     | 4.261     | -2.582 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB106</b>                | 4.025                                  | 0.107                          | 0.108  | 0.190  | 0         | 0     | 3.508     | -2.670 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB26</b>                 | 3.208                                  | 0.104                          | -0.086 | -0.134 | 0         | 0     | 3.217     | -1.781 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB31</b>                 | 3.237                                  | 0.105                          | 0.122  | -0.002 | 0         | 0     | 3.360     | -1.984 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB35</b>                 | 4.287                                  | 0.054                          | 0.108  | 0.124  | 0         | 0     | 3.543     | -2.106 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB36</b>                 | 3.948                                  | 0.063                          | 0.021  | 0.072  | 0         | 0     | 3.454     | -2.326 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB58</b>                 | 3.578                                  | 0.126                          | -0.314 | -0.233 | 0         | 0     | 3.366     | -2.304 |

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|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB70</b>                          | 3.857                                  | 0.076                          | -0.081 | -0.092 | 0         | 0     | 3.477     | -2.052 |
| <b>6-methoxy-BDE017</b>                        | 1.948                                  | 0.169                          | -0.055 | 0.049  | 2         | 0     | 3.481     | -2.081 |
| <b>6-methoxy-BDE085</b>                        | 2.403                                  | 0.310                          | -0.051 | 0.103  | 3         | 0     | 3.839     | -1.520 |
| <b>6-methoxy-BDE090</b>                        | 2.505                                  | 0.097                          | -0.049 | -0.095 | 2         | 0     | 3.839     | -1.721 |
| <b>6-methoxy-BDE137</b>                        | 1.528                                  | 0.233                          | -0.073 | -0.100 | 3         | 0     | 3.969     | -1.906 |
| <b>7,12-dimethylbenz[a]anthracene</b>          | 2.269                                  | 0.211                          | -0.244 | -0.244 | 0         | 0     | 3.196     | -2.910 |
| <b>7-methylbenz[a]anthracene</b>               | 2.836                                  | 0.116                          | -0.134 | -0.134 | 0         | 0     | 3.216     | -2.427 |
| <b>8,9,11-trimethylbenz[a]anthracene</b>       | 3.480                                  | 0.108                          | -0.047 | -0.047 | 0         | 0     | 3.522     | -2.726 |
| <b>9-methylbenz[a]anthracene</b>               | 3.614                                  | 0.073                          | -0.016 | -0.016 | 0         | 0     | 3.431     | -2.320 |
| <b>Acridine</b>                                | 4.675                                  | 0.128                          | -0.087 | -0.023 | 0         | 1     | 2.671     | -1.341 |
| <b>Anthracene</b>                              | 2.491                                  | 0.134                          | 0.062  | 0.062  | 0         | 0     | 2.699     | -1.418 |
| <b>Benz[a]acridine</b>                         | 5.139                                  | 0.040                          | -0.050 | -0.039 | 0         | 1     | 3.174     | -2.116 |
| <b>Benz[a]anthracene</b>                       | 3.116                                  | 0.085                          | 0.003  | 0.003  | 0         | 0     | 3.191     | -2.166 |
| <b>Benz[b]anthracene</b>                       | 3.858                                  | 0.062                          | 0.083  | 0.083  | 0         | 0     | 3.378     | -1.974 |
| <b>Benz[c]acridine</b>                         | 5.445                                  | 0.048                          | -0.087 | -0.010 | 0         | 1     | 3.151     | -2.020 |
| <b>Benzo[1,2-b:4,5-b']bis[1]benzothiophene</b> | 4.761                                  | 0.155                          | 0.093  | -0.070 | 0         | 1     | 3.634     | -3.165 |
| <b>Benzo[1,2-b:4,5-b']bisbenzofuran</b>        | 5.869                                  | 0.034                          | -0.058 | -0.113 | 0         | 1     | 3.593     | -2.199 |
| <b>Carbazole</b>                               | 3.915                                  | 0.222                          | -0.334 | -0.268 | 0         | 1     | 2.401     | -1.136 |
| <b>Chrysene</b>                                | 2.683                                  | 0.118                          | -0.130 | -0.130 | 0         | 0     | 3.131     | -2.347 |
| <b>Decamethylanthracene</b>                    | 2.351                                  | 0.426                          | -0.187 | -0.187 | 0         | 0     | 3.534     | -3.927 |
| <b>Dibenz[a,h]anthracene</b>                   | 3.901                                  | 0.115                          | -0.030 | -0.030 | 0         | 0     | 3.733     | -2.915 |

Table A1. Continued.

| Chemical                      | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( <i>h</i> *=0.241) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| <b>dibenz[ac]acridine</b>     | 5.188                                  | 0.065                          | -0.123 | -0.086 | 0         | 1     | 3.404     | -2.845 |
| <b>Dibenz[ac]anthracene</b>   | 3.001                                  | 0.160                          | -0.078 | -0.078 | 0         | 0     | 3.429     | -2.959 |
| <b>Dibenz[ah]acridine</b>     | 6.082                                  | 0.036                          | -0.061 | -0.027 | 0         | 1     | 3.702     | -2.788 |
| <b>Dibenz[aj]acridine</b>     | 5.644                                  | 0.042                          | -0.035 | -0.047 | 0         | 1     | 3.605     | -2.760 |
| <b>Dibenz[aj]anthracene</b>   | 3.683                                  | 0.106                          | -0.030 | -0.030 | 0         | 0     | 3.609     | -2.781 |
| <b>Dibenz[al]acridine</b>     | 6.430                                  | 0.032                          | 0.029  | 0.018  | 0         | 1     | 3.849     | -2.683 |
| <b>Dibenz[ch]acridine</b>     | 6.088                                  | 0.031                          | -0.089 | -0.005 | 0         | 1     | 3.557     | -2.577 |
| <b>Dibenzothipene</b>         | 3.307                                  | 0.162                          | -0.332 | -0.340 | 0         | 1     | 2.492     | -1.713 |
| <b>Indole</b>                 | 2.972                                  | 0.367                          | 0.033  | 0.056  | 0         | 1     | 1.806     | -0.511 |
| <b>Indole3acetonitrile</b>    | 4.117                                  | 0.271                          | -0.025 | 0.008  | 0         | 1     | 2.267     | -0.621 |
| <b>Indole3carbinol</b>        | 3.676                                  | 0.220                          | -0.098 | -0.112 | 0         | 1     | 2.294     | -0.878 |
| <b>Indolo[3,2-b]carbazole</b> | 5.911                                  | 0.027                          | 0.010  | -0.032 | 0         | 1     | 3.621     | -2.379 |
| <b>Indolo23ccarbazole</b>     | 4.795                                  | 0.047                          | -0.051 | -0.081 | 0         | 1     | 3.169     | -2.269 |
| <b>Indolo32bcarbazole</b>     | 6.226                                  | 0.035                          | -0.069 | -0.056 | 0         | 1     | 3.539     | -1.986 |
| <b>Napthalene</b>             | 0.921                                  | 0.268                          | -0.018 | -0.018 | 0         | 0     | 2.036     | -1.088 |
| <b>OBDD</b>                   | 6.235                                  | 0.245                          | -0.222 | -0.402 | 0         | 1     | 4.429     | -3.516 |
| <b>OBDF</b>                   | 6.104                                  | 0.208                          | -0.308 | -0.363 | 0         | 1     | 4.250     | -3.719 |
| <b>PBB040</b>                 | 3.298                                  | 0.146                          | -0.191 | -0.247 | 0         | 0     | 3.286     | -1.741 |
| <b>PBB041</b>                 | 3.410                                  | 0.133                          | -0.103 | -0.153 | 0         | 0     | 3.202     | -1.474 |
| <b>PBB042</b>                 | 4.313                                  | 0.147                          | -0.103 | -0.153 | 0         | 0     | 3.551     | -1.515 |
| <b>PBB043</b>                 | 3.345                                  | 0.092                          | 0.043  | -0.028 | 0         | 0     | 3.248     | -1.725 |
| <b>PBB044</b>                 | 3.858                                  | 0.091                          | 0.043  | -0.028 | 0         | 0     | 3.432     | -1.704 |
| <b>PBB045</b>                 | 2.682                                  | 0.204                          | 0.156  | -0.060 | 0         | 0     | 3.050     | -1.182 |
| <b>PBB046</b>                 | 2.286                                  | 0.232                          | -0.078 | -0.279 | 0         | 0     | 3.010     | -1.358 |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(h*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-<br/>Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PBB048</b>   | 3.972                                         | 0.102                         | 0.131         | 0.066         | 0                     | 0            | 3.349            | -1.436        |
| <b>PBB049</b>   | 4.825                                         | 0.111                         | 0.131         | 0.066         | 0                     | 0            | 3.681            | -1.483        |
| <b>PBB050</b>   | 2.913                                         | 0.201                         | 0.010         | -0.185        | 0                     | 0            | 3.198            | -1.343        |
| <b>PBB051</b>   | 3.185                                         | 0.227                         | 0.010         | -0.185        | 0                     | 0            | 3.247            | -1.180        |
| <b>PBB052</b>   | 4.369                                         | 0.099                         | 0.276         | 0.192         | 0                     | 0            | 3.557            | -1.670        |
| <b>PBB053</b>   | 2.812                                         | 0.185                         | 0.156         | -0.060        | 0                     | 0            | 3.157            | -1.366        |
| <b>PBB054</b>   | 1.677                                         | 0.356                         | 0.269         | -0.092        | 0                     | 0            | 2.809            | -0.902        |
| <b>PBB055</b>   | 5.105                                         | 0.098                         | -0.216        | -0.120        | 0                     | 0            | 3.804            | -2.084        |
| <b>PBB056</b>   | 5.390                                         | 0.121                         | -0.216        | -0.120        | 0                     | 0            | 3.851            | -1.900        |
| <b>PBB057</b>   | 4.766                                         | 0.053                         | -0.070        | 0.005         | 0                     | 0            | 3.751            | -2.345        |
| <b>PBB058</b>   | 4.411                                         | 0.120                         | -0.304        | -0.214        | 0                     | 0            | 3.724            | -2.515        |
| <b>PBB059</b>   | 3.706                                         | 0.140                         | -0.191        | -0.247        | 0                     | 0            | 3.492            | -1.909        |
| <b>PBB060</b>   | 6.066                                         | 0.133                         | -0.128        | -0.026        | 0                     | 0            | 4.003            | -1.715        |
| <b>PBB062</b>   | 3.430                                         | 0.117                         | -0.103        | -0.153        | 0                     | 0            | 3.265            | -1.647        |
| <b>PBB063</b>   | 5.976                                         | 0.085                         | 0.018         | 0.099         | 0                     | 0            | 3.977            | -1.772        |
| <b>PBB064</b>   | 4.829                                         | 0.192                         | -0.103        | -0.153        | 0                     | 0            | 3.692            | -1.355        |
| <b>PBB065</b>   | 3.485                                         | 0.100                         | 0.043         | -0.028        | 0                     | 0            | 3.252            | -1.576        |
| <b>PBB066</b>   | 5.389                                         | 0.121                         | -0.216        | -0.120        | 0                     | 0            | 3.851            | -1.901        |
| <b>PBB067</b>   | 5.401                                         | 0.048                         | 0.018         | 0.099         | 0                     | 0            | 3.870            | -2.105        |
| <b>PBB068</b>   | 5.440                                         | 0.102                         | -0.216        | -0.120        | 0                     | 0            | 3.991            | -2.279        |
| <b>PBB069</b>   | 4.026                                         | 0.209                         | -0.336        | -0.372        | 0                     | 0            | 3.664            | -2.038        |
| <b>PBB070</b>   | 5.694                                         | 0.065                         | 0.018         | 0.099         | 0                     | 0            | 3.910            | -1.890        |
| <b>PBB071</b>   | 3.708                                         | 0.231                         | -0.336        | -0.372        | 0                     | 0            | 3.422            | -1.650        |
| <b>PBB072</b>   | 4.855                                         | 0.058                         | -0.070        | 0.005         | 0                     | 0            | 3.836            | -2.507        |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PBB073</b>   | 2.963                                         | 0.244                                | -0.424        | -0.466        | 0                | 0            | 3.382            | -2.264        |
| <b>PBB074</b>   | 6.485                                         | 0.099                                | 0.106         | 0.193         | 0                | 0            | 4.108            | -1.715        |
| <b>PBB075</b>   | 4.971                                         | 0.219                                | -0.248        | -0.278        | 0                | 0            | 3.875            | -1.725        |
| <b>PBB077</b>   | 7.382                                         | 0.109                                | -0.008        | 0.225         | 0                | 0            | 4.365            | -2.176        |
| <b>PBB079</b>   | 6.707                                         | 0.086                                | -0.095        | 0.131         | 0                | 0            | 4.274            | -2.545        |
| <b>PBB080</b>   | 5.818                                         | 0.122                                | -0.183        | 0.037         | 0                | 0            | 4.170            | -3.126        |
| <b>PBB082</b>   | 4.275                                         | 0.151                                | -0.213        | -0.239        | 0                | 0            | 3.627            | -1.817        |
| <b>PBB083</b>   | 3.969                                         | 0.085                                | -0.105        | -0.127        | 0                | 0            | 3.601            | -2.223        |
| <b>PBB084</b>   | 3.235                                         | 0.159                                | -0.026        | -0.183        | 0                | 0            | 3.354            | -1.630        |
| <b>PBB085</b>   | 5.266                                         | 0.142                                | -0.119        | -0.117        | 0                | 0            | 3.871            | -1.684        |
| <b>PBB086</b>   | 3.914                                         | 0.070                                | -0.011        | -0.005        | 0                | 0            | 3.354            | -1.769        |
| <b>PBB087</b>   | 4.889                                         | 0.078                                | -0.011        | -0.005        | 0                | 0            | 3.722            | -1.788        |
| <b>PBB088</b>   | 3.439                                         | 0.136                                | 0.068         | -0.061        | 0                | 0            | 3.283            | -1.426        |
| <b>PBB089</b>   | 3.119                                         | 0.224                                | -0.134        | -0.295        | 0                | 0            | 3.291            | -1.434        |
| <b>PBB090</b>   | 5.133                                         | 0.081                                | -0.011        | -0.005        | 0                | 0            | 3.832            | -1.847        |
| <b>PBB091</b>   | 4.316                                         | 0.171                                | 0.068         | -0.061        | 0                | 0            | 3.568            | -1.298        |
| <b>PBB092</b>   | 4.596                                         | 0.051                                | 0.096         | 0.108         | 0                | 0            | 3.693            | -2.183        |
| <b>PBB093</b>   | 3.419                                         | 0.120                                | 0.175         | 0.052         | 0                | 0            | 3.245            | -1.476        |
| <b>PBB094</b>   | 3.419                                         | 0.120                                | 0.175         | 0.052         | 0                | 0            | 3.245            | -1.476        |
| <b>PBB095</b>   | 3.829                                         | 0.108                                | 0.175         | 0.052         | 0                | 0            | 3.449            | -1.637        |
| <b>PBB096</b>   | 2.717                                         | 0.234                                | 0.255         | -0.004        | 0                | 0            | 3.092            | -1.134        |
| <b>PBB097</b>   | 4.901                                         | 0.079                                | -0.011        | -0.005        | 0                | 0            | 3.724            | -1.781        |
| <b>PBB098</b>   | 3.536                                         | 0.214                                | -0.134        | -0.295        | 0                | 0            | 3.511            | -1.639        |
| <b>PBB099</b>   | 5.866                                         | 0.096                                | 0.083         | 0.117         | 0                | 0            | 3.959            | -1.648        |

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| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PBB102</b>   | 3.715                                         | 0.138                                | 0.068         | -0.061        | 0                | 0            | 3.390            | -1.441        |
| <b>PBB103</b>   | 4.110                                         | 0.127                                | 0.068         | -0.061        | 0                | 0            | 3.603            | -1.647        |
| <b>PBB104</b>   | 2.926                                         | 0.246                                | 0.147         | -0.117        | 0                | 0            | 3.228            | -1.177        |
| <b>PBB105</b>   | 6.378                                         | 0.133                                | -0.198        | -0.061        | 0                | 0            | 4.198            | -2.086        |
| <b>PBB107</b>   | 6.079                                         | 0.071                                | -0.091        | 0.051         | 0                | 0            | 4.098            | -2.260        |
| <b>PBB108</b>   | 5.314                                         | 0.126                                | -0.292        | -0.183        | 0                | 0            | 4.052            | -2.609        |
| <b>PBB109</b>   | 4.254                                         | 0.131                                | -0.213        | -0.239        | 0                | 0            | 3.732            | -2.169        |
| <b>PBB110</b>   | 4.717                                         | 0.169                                | -0.213        | -0.239        | 0                | 0            | 3.793            | -1.823        |
| <b>PBB111</b>   | 4.911                                         | 0.113                                | -0.185        | -0.071        | 0                | 0            | 3.996            | -3.041        |
| <b>PBB112</b>   | 4.131                                         | 0.086                                | -0.105        | -0.127        | 0                | 0            | 3.669            | -2.249        |
| <b>PBB113</b>   | 3.622                                         | 0.191                                | -0.307        | -0.361        | 0                | 0            | 3.713            | -2.587        |
| <b>PBB114</b>   | 6.539                                         | 0.084                                | 0.004         | 0.173         | 0                | 0            | 4.079            | -1.917        |
| <b>PBB115</b>   | 5.427                                         | 0.149                                | -0.119        | -0.117        | 0                | 0            | 3.937            | -1.701        |
| <b>PBB116</b>   | 3.794                                         | 0.069                                | -0.011        | -0.005        | 0                | 0            | 3.322            | -1.809        |
| <b>PBB117</b>   | 5.480                                         | 0.125                                | -0.011        | -0.005        | 0                | 0            | 3.863            | -1.542        |
| <b>PBB118</b>   | 6.833                                         | 0.087                                | 0.004         | 0.173         | 0                | 0            | 4.239            | -2.073        |
| <b>PBB119</b>   | 4.898                                         | 0.237                                | -0.320        | -0.352        | 0                | 0            | 3.976            | -2.038        |
| <b>PBB120</b>   | 5.863                                         | 0.067                                | -0.091        | 0.051         | 0                | 0            | 4.127            | -2.600        |
| <b>PBB121</b>   | 3.987                                         | 0.275                                | -0.415        | -0.474        | 0                | 0            | 3.885            | -2.562        |
| <b>PBB122</b>   | 5.013                                         | 0.117                                | -0.292        | -0.183        | 0                | 0            | 3.867            | -2.382        |
| <b>PBB123</b>   | 6.027                                         | 0.105                                | -0.198        | -0.061        | 0                | 0            | 4.118            | -2.244        |
| <b>PBB124</b>   | 5.553                                         | 0.057                                | -0.091        | 0.051         | 0                | 0            | 3.943            | -2.384        |
| <b>PBB125</b>   | 3.261                                         | 0.258                                | -0.415        | -0.474        | 0                | 0            | 3.481            | -2.143        |
| <b>PBB126</b>   | 7.572                                         | 0.127                                | -0.076        | 0.229         | 0                | 0            | 4.437            | -2.513        |

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| Chemical | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( <i>h</i> *=0.241) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|----------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| PBB127   | 6.579                                  | 0.124                          | -0.170 | 0.107  | 0         | 0     | 4.305     | -2.998 |
| PBB128   | 5.282                                  | 0.178                          | -0.227 | -0.226 | 0         | 0     | 3.991     | -1.921 |
| PBB129   | 4.569                                  | 0.084                          | -0.146 | -0.124 | 0         | 0     | 3.752     | -2.204 |
| PBB130   | 4.996                                  | 0.094                          | -0.146 | -0.124 | 0         | 0     | 3.923     | -2.240 |
| PBB131   | 3.918                                  | 0.154                          | -0.091 | -0.211 | 0         | 0     | 3.621     | -1.811 |
| PBB132   | 4.126                                  | 0.175                          | -0.091 | -0.211 | 0         | 0     | 3.644     | -1.644 |
| PBB133   | 4.542                                  | 0.082                          | -0.066 | -0.023 | 0         | 0     | 3.863     | -2.782 |
| PBB134   | 3.733                                  | 0.101                          | -0.011 | -0.109 | 0         | 0     | 3.551     | -2.014 |
| PBB135   | 3.727                                  | 0.101                          | -0.011 | -0.109 | 0         | 0     | 3.603     | -2.184 |
| PBB136   | 3.645                                  | 0.139                          | 0.226  | 0.066  | 0         | 0     | 3.373     | -1.458 |
| PBB137   | 5.773                                  | 0.079                          | -0.045 | 0.035  | 0         | 0     | 3.972     | -1.921 |
| PBB138   | 6.029                                  | 0.093                          | -0.045 | 0.035  | 0         | 0     | 4.057     | -1.891 |
| PBB139   | 5.053                                  | 0.136                          | 0.010  | -0.051 | 0         | 0     | 3.825     | -1.567 |
| PBB140   | 4.319                                  | 0.240                          | -0.172 | -0.312 | 0         | 0     | 3.808     | -1.735 |
| PBB141   | 5.323                                  | 0.044                          | 0.036  | 0.137  | 0         | 0     | 3.819     | -2.166 |
| PBB142   | 3.895                                  | 0.080                          | 0.091  | 0.051  | 0         | 0     | 3.353     | -1.638 |
| PBB143   | 3.371                                  | 0.144                          | -0.091 | -0.211 | 0         | 0     | 3.415     | -1.804 |
| PBB144   | 4.640                                  | 0.073                          | 0.091  | 0.051  | 0         | 0     | 3.688     | -1.818 |
| PBB145   | 3.457                                  | 0.169                          | 0.146  | -0.035 | 0         | 0     | 3.320     | -1.310 |
| PBB146   | 5.752                                  | 0.049                          | 0.036  | 0.137  | 0         | 0     | 3.988     | -2.196 |
| PBB147   | 5.053                                  | 0.107                          | 0.091  | 0.051  | 0         | 0     | 3.748     | -1.529 |
| PBB148   | 4.088                                  | 0.147                          | -0.091 | -0.211 | 0         | 0     | 3.758     | -2.042 |
| PBB149   | 4.853                                  | 0.089                          | 0.091  | 0.051  | 0         | 0     | 3.712     | -1.647 |
| PBB150   | 3.951                                  | 0.176                          | 0.146  | -0.035 | 0         | 0     | 3.513     | -1.341 |
| PBB151   | 4,460                                  | 0,061                          | 0,171  | 0,152  | 0         | 0     | 3,620     | -2,016 |



Table A1. Continued.

| Chemical | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( <i>h</i> *=0.241) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|----------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| PBB152   | 3.358                                  | 0.139                          | 0.226  | 0.066  | 0         | 0     | 3.271     | -1.473 |
| PBB153   | 6.762                                  | 0.091                          | 0.137  | 0.296  | 0         | 0     | 4.116     | -1.853 |
| PBB154   | 5.029                                  | 0.118                          | 0.010  | -0.051 | 0         | 0     | 3.873     | -1.744 |
| PBB155   | 4.062                                  | 0.206                          | 0.065  | -0.137 | 0         | 0     | 3.660     | -1.468 |
| PBB156   | 6.820                                  | 0.092                          | -0.100 | 0.121  | 0         | 0     | 4.262     | -2.345 |
| PBB157   | 6.105                                  | 0.139                          | -0.282 | -0.140 | 0         | 0     | 4.250     | -2.507 |
| PBB158   | 5.373                                  | 0.169                          | -0.227 | -0.226 | 0         | 0     | 4.084     | -2.107 |
| PBB159   | 5.529                                  | 0.112                          | -0.201 | -0.038 | 0         | 0     | 4.141     | -3.034 |
| PBB160   | 4.455                                  | 0.083                          | -0.146 | -0.124 | 0         | 0     | 3.778     | -2.416 |
| PBB161   | 4.131                                  | 0.226                          | -0.328 | -0.386 | 0         | 0     | 3.979     | -2.783 |
| PBB162   | 5.744                                  | 0.099                          | -0.201 | -0.038 | 0         | 0     | 4.162     | -2.852 |
| PBB163   | 5.304                                  | 0.110                          | -0.146 | -0.124 | 0         | 0     | 3.992     | -2.098 |
| PBB164   | 4.135                                  | 0.215                          | -0.328 | -0.386 | 0         | 0     | 3.856     | -2.396 |
| PBB165   | 3.885                                  | 0.185                          | -0.248 | -0.284 | 0         | 0     | 3.894     | -3.010 |
| PBB166   | 5.879                                  | 0.094                          | -0.045 | 0.035  | 0         | 0     | 3.972     | -1.799 |
| PBB167   | 6.795                                  | 0.090                          | -0.100 | 0.121  | 0         | 0     | 4.303     | -2.502 |
| PBB168   | 4.383                                  | 0.308                          | -0.409 | -0.487 | 0         | 0     | 4.032     | -2.463 |
| PBB169   | 7.666                                  | 0.167                          | -0.155 | 0.207  | 0         | 0     | 4.522     | -2.904 |
| PBB170   | 5.670                                  | 0.110                          | -0.176 | -0.112 | 0         | 0     | 4.111     | -2.250 |
| PBB171   | 4.790                                  | 0.196                          | -0.140 | -0.241 | 0         | 0     | 3.939     | -1.850 |
| PBB172   | 5.263                                  | 0.074                          | -0.116 | -0.020 | 0         | 0     | 4.028     | -2.703 |
| PBB173   | 4.108                                  | 0.104                          | -0.080 | -0.149 | 0         | 0     | 3.693     | -2.114 |
| PBB174   | 4.271                                  | 0.108                          | -0.080 | -0.149 | 0         | 0     | 3.751     | -2.105 |
| PBB175   | 4.417                                  | 0.109                          | -0.080 | -0.149 | 0         | 0     | 3.869     | -2.305 |
| PBB176   | 4.421                                  | 0.109                          | 0.125  | 0.029  | 0         | 0     | 3.616     | -1.571 |

Table A1. Continued.

| Chemical | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( <i>h</i> *=0.241) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|----------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| PBB177   | 4.652                                  | 0.124                          | -0.080 | -0.149 | 0         | 0     | 3.849     | -1.968 |
| PBB178   | 4.100                                  | 0.093                          | -0.021 | -0.057 | 0         | 0     | 3.787     | -2.659 |
| PBB179   | 4.169                                  | 0.076                          | 0.185  | 0.121  | 0         | 0     | 3.547     | -1.888 |
| PBB180   | 6.650                                  | 0.075                          | -0.006 | 0.196  | 0         | 0     | 4.159     | -2.210 |
| PBB181   | 5.570                                  | 0.085                          | 0.030  | 0.067  | 0         | 0     | 3.883     | -1.718 |
| PBB182   | 4.789                                  | 0.196                          | -0.140 | -0.241 | 0         | 0     | 3.939     | -1.851 |
| PBB183   | 5.732                                  | 0.080                          | 0.030  | 0.067  | 0         | 0     | 3.988     | -1.856 |
| PBB184   | 4.625                                  | 0.154                          | 0.066  | -0.063 | 0         | 0     | 3.762     | -1.543 |
| PBB185   | 5.060                                  | 0.045                          | 0.090  | 0.159  | 0         | 0     | 3.745     | -2.118 |
| PBB186   | 3.820                                  | 0.102                          | 0.125  | 0.029  | 0         | 0     | 3.392     | -1.568 |
| PBB187   | 5.605                                  | 0.054                          | 0.090  | 0.159  | 0         | 0     | 3.899     | -1.968 |
| PBB189   | 6.571                                  | 0.119                          | -0.211 | 0.018  | 0         | 0     | 4.362     | -2.876 |
| PBB190   | 5.719                                  | 0.111                          | -0.176 | -0.112 | 0         | 0     | 4.145     | -2.300 |
| PBB191   | 4.688                                  | 0.271                          | -0.345 | -0.420 | 0         | 0     | 4.169     | -2.618 |
| PBB192   | 4.105                                  | 0.220                          | -0.286 | -0.328 | 0         | 0     | 4.034     | -3.117 |
| PBB193   | 4.506                                  | 0.197                          | -0.286 | -0.328 | 0         | 0     | 4.068     | -2.759 |
| PBB194   | 6.119                                  | 0.087                          | -0.155 | 0.003  | 0         | 0     | 4.235     | -2.664 |
| PBB195   | 4.980                                  | 0.152                          | -0.136 | -0.199 | 0         | 0     | 4.020     | -2.097 |
| PBB196   | 4.924                                  | 0.144                          | -0.136 | -0.199 | 0         | 0     | 4.050     | -2.255 |
| PBB197   | 5.170                                  | 0.111                          | 0.046  | -0.006 | 0         | 0     | 3.885     | -1.707 |
| PBB199   | 4.673                                  | 0.095                          | -0.094 | -0.117 | 0         | 0     | 3.954     | -2.516 |
| PBB200   | 4.679                                  | 0.060                          | 0.089  | 0.076  | 0         | 0     | 3.688     | -1.922 |
| PBB201   | 4.966                                  | 0.063                          | 0.089  | 0.076  | 0         | 0     | 3.801     | -1.942 |
| PBB202   | 4.576                                  | 0.061                          | 0.131  | 0.158  | 0         | 0     | 3.721     | -2.412 |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PBB203</b>   | 6.348                                         | 0.065                                | 0.027         | 0.196         | 0                | 0            | 4.058            | -2.096        |
| <b>PBB204</b>   | 4.989                                         | 0.100                                | 0.046         | -0.006        | 0                | 0            | 3.829            | -1.742        |
| <b>PBB205</b>   | 4.687                                         | 0.262                                | -0.318        | -0.392        | 0                | 0            | 4.249            | -2.902        |
| <b>PBB206</b>   | 4.882                                         | 0.150                                | -0.156        | -0.214        | 0                | 0            | 4.138            | -2.588        |
| <b>PBB207</b>   | 5.430                                         | 0.073                                | 0.008         | 0.025         | 0                | 0            | 3.966            | -2.004        |
| <b>PBB208</b>   | 5.091                                         | 0.048                                | 0.035         | 0.095         | 0                | 0            | 3.877            | -2.387        |
| <b>PBB209</b>   | 5.204                                         | 0.080                                | -0.051        | -0.051        | 0                | 0            | 4.058            | -2.395        |
| <b>PBDD028</b>  | 7.165                                         | 0.056                                | -0.196        | -0.147        | 0                | 1            | 4.131            | -2.814        |
| <b>PBDE000</b>  | 3.213                                         | 0.147                                | -0.098        | 0.030         | 0                | 0            | 2.739            | -1.256        |
| <b>PBDE001</b>  | 3.298                                         | 0.113                                | -0.062        | 0.056         | 0                | 0            | 2.860            | -1.515        |
| <b>PBDE002</b>  | 4.350                                         | 0.088                                | -0.076        | -0.022        | 0                | 0            | 3.387            | -1.568        |
| <b>PBDE004</b>  | 3.449                                         | 0.148                                | -0.141        | 0.039         | 0                | 0            | 2.784            | -1.370        |
| <b>PBDE005</b>  | 3.813                                         | 0.086                                | -0.127        | -0.025        | 0                | 0            | 3.165            | -1.714        |
| <b>PBDE006</b>  | 3.344                                         | 0.103                                | -0.127        | -0.025        | 0                | 0            | 2.964            | -1.632        |
| <b>PBDE007</b>  | 2.899                                         | 0.054                                | -0.016        | 0.030         | 1                | 0            | 3.398            | -1.869        |
| <b>PBDE008</b>  | 3.952                                         | 0.033                                | -0.016        | 0.030         | 1                | 0            | 3.800            | -1.903        |
| <b>PBDE009</b>  | 3.338                                         | 0.155                                | 0.380         | 0.243         | 0                | 0            | 3.272            | -1.785        |
| <b>PBDE010</b>  | 3.335                                         | 0.126                                | -0.141        | 0.039         | 0                | 0            | 2.849            | -1.702        |
| <b>PBDE011</b>  | 3.959                                         | 0.077                                | -0.112        | -0.088        | 0                | 0            | 3.422            | -1.928        |
| <b>PBDE012</b>  | 2.955                                         | 0.051                                | -0.002        | -0.034        | 1                | 0            | 3.497            | -1.692        |
| <b>PBDE013</b>  | 4.968                                         | 0.078                                | -0.002        | -0.034        | 1                | 0            | 4.301            | -1.866        |
| <b>PBDE014</b>  | 3.974                                         | 0.074                                | -0.112        | -0.088        | 0                | 0            | 3.458            | -2.021        |
| <b>PBDE016</b>  | 3.947                                         | 0.114                                | -0.210        | -0.070        | 0                | 0            | 3.140            | -1.609        |
| <b>PBDE018</b>  | 4.405                                         | 0.149                                | 0.157         | 0.199         | 0                | 0            | 3.157            | -0.961        |
| <b>PBDE019</b>  | 3.852                                         | 0.140                                | -0.236        | -0.018        | 0                | 0            | 2.976            | -1.615        |

Table A1. Continued.

| Chemical | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.241$ ) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_<br>_3D | Mor03v |
|----------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|----------------|--------|
| PBDE020  | 5.408                                  | 0.119                      | -0.183 | -0.122 | 0         | 0     | 3.925          | -1.950 |
| PBDE021  | 2.632                                  | 0.058                      | -0.087 | -0.056 | 1         | 0     | 3.375          | -1.950 |
| PBDE022  | 4.325                                  | 0.042                      | -0.087 | -0.056 | 1         | 0     | 4.041          | -2.064 |
| PBDE024  | 3.942                                  | 0.081                      | 0.157  | 0.199  | 0         | 0     | 3.198          | -1.626 |
| PBDE025  | 3.442                                  | 0.040                      | -0.087 | -0.056 | 1         | 0     | 3.757          | -2.204 |
| PBDE026  | 4.327                                  | 0.067                      | 0.183  | 0.147  | 0         | 0     | 3.604          | -2.036 |
| PBDE027  | 4.592                                  | 0.098                      | -0.210 | -0.070 | 0         | 0     | 3.437          | -1.786 |
| PBDE029  | 2.990                                  | 0.100                      | 0.279  | 0.213  | 1         | 0     | 3.444          | -1.585 |
| PBDE030  | 2.631                                  | 0.085                      | -0.114 | -0.004 | 1         | 0     | 3.308          | -2.154 |
| PBDE031  | 4.437                                  | 0.083                      | 0.279  | 0.213  | 1         | 0     | 3.991          | -1.616 |
| PBDE032  | 3.526                                  | 0.053                      | -0.114 | -0.004 | 1         | 0     | 3.527          | -1.801 |
| PBDE033  | 3.221                                  | 0.057                      | -0.087 | -0.056 | 1         | 0     | 3.477          | -1.585 |
| PBDE034  | 3.870                                  | 0.085                      | -0.183 | -0.122 | 0         | 0     | 3.379          | -2.028 |
| PBDE035  | 4.995                                  | 0.097                      | -0.061 | -0.108 | 1         | 0     | 4.403          | -2.010 |
| PBDE036  | 4.610                                  | 0.108                      | -0.157 | -0.174 | 0         | 0     | 3.883          | -2.334 |
| PBDE037  | 3.943                                  | 0.114                      | 0.035  | -0.042 | 2         | 0     | 4.498          | -2.021 |
| PBDE038  | 2.386                                  | 0.064                      | -0.061 | -0.108 | 1         | 0     | 3.440          | -2.029 |
| PBDE039  | 4.362                                  | 0.067                      | -0.061 | -0.108 | 1         | 0     | 4.291          | -2.393 |
| PBDE040  | 3.872                                  | 0.190                      | -0.276 | -0.203 | 0         | 0     | 3.148          | -1.278 |
| PBDE041  | 2.790                                  | 0.066                      | -0.186 | -0.122 | 1         | 0     | 3.383          | -1.875 |
| PBDE042  | 3.470                                  | 0.101                      | -0.186 | -0.122 | 1         | 0     | 3.463          | -1.335 |
| PBDE043  | 3.902                                  | 0.059                      | 0.020  | 0.074  | 0         | 0     | 3.356          | -2.089 |
| PBDE044  | 5.363                                  | 0.068                      | 0.020  | 0.074  | 0         | 0     | 3.803          | -1.790 |
| PBDE045  | 9.288                                  | 0.132                      | -0.002 | 0.083  | 0         | 1     | 4.634          | -2.325 |
| PBDE046  | 4.117                                  | 0.122                      | -0.310 | -0.161 | 0         | 0     | 3.325          | -1.936 |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PBDE048</b>  | 2.813                                         | 0.086                                | 0.110         | 0.154         | 1                | 0            | 3.386            | -2.050        |
| <b>PBDE050</b>  | 3.139                                         | 0.115                                | -0.220        | -0.081        | 1                | 0            | 3.224            | -1.356        |
| <b>PBDE051</b>  | 3.261                                         | 0.071                                | -0.220        | -0.081        | 1                | 0            | 3.482            | -2.022        |
| <b>PBDE052</b>  | 5.804                                         | 0.143                                | 0.316         | 0.350         | 0                | 0            | 3.729            | -1.243        |
| <b>PBDE053</b>  | 4.944                                         | 0.128                                | -0.014        | 0.116         | 0                | 0            | 3.330            | -1.192        |
| <b>PBDE054</b>  | 4.109                                         | 0.233                                | -0.345        | -0.119        | 0                | 0            | 2.954            | -1.181        |
| <b>PBDE055</b>  | 3.945                                         | 0.066                                | -0.152        | -0.164        | 1                | 0            | 3.972            | -1.981        |
| <b>PBDE056</b>  | 3.824                                         | 0.070                                | -0.152        | -0.164        | 1                | 0            | 3.877            | -1.826        |
| <b>PBDE057</b>  | 5.362                                         | 0.080                                | 0.054         | 0.032         | 0                | 0            | 3.993            | -1.994        |
| <b>PBDE058</b>  | 4.255                                         | 0.130                                | -0.242        | -0.244        | 0                | 0            | 3.705            | -2.186        |
| <b>PBDE059</b>  | 5.331                                         | 0.062                                | 0.020         | 0.074         | 0                | 0            | 3.814            | -1.863        |
| <b>PBDE060</b>  | 2.819                                         | 0.091                                | -0.061        | -0.084        | 2                | 0            | 3.981            | -1.917        |
| <b>PBDE061</b>  | 2.661                                         | 0.074                                | 0.144         | 0.112         | 1                | 0            | 3.384            | -1.831        |
| <b>PBDE062</b>  | 2.895                                         | 0.079                                | 0.110         | 0.154         | 1                | 0            | 3.386            | -1.955        |
| <b>PBDE063</b>  | 4.283                                         | 0.045                                | 0.144         | 0.112         | 1                | 0            | 4.031            | -1.970        |
| <b>PBDE064</b>  | 4.314                                         | 0.040                                | 0.110         | 0.154         | 1                | 0            | 3.894            | -1.894        |
| <b>PBDE065</b>  | 3.951                                         | 0.132                                | 0.316         | 0.350         | 0                | 0            | 3.334            | -2.159        |
| <b>PBDE067</b>  | 4.701                                         | 0.052                                | 0.144         | 0.112         | 1                | 0            | 4.173            | -1.927        |
| <b>PBDE068</b>  | 3.694                                         | 0.066                                | -0.152        | -0.164        | 1                | 0            | 4.038            | -2.478        |
| <b>PBDE069</b>  | 3.939                                         | 0.052                                | -0.186        | -0.122        | 1                | 0            | 3.940            | -2.281        |
| <b>PBDE070</b>  | 4.825                                         | 0.062                                | 0.144         | 0.112         | 1                | 0            | 4.166            | -1.763        |
| <b>PBDE071</b>  | 3.708                                         | 0.063                                | -0.186        | -0.122        | 1                | 0            | 3.687            | -1.760        |
| <b>PBDE072</b>  | 5.083                                         | 0.067                                | 0.054         | 0.032         | 0                | 0            | 3.986            | -2.297        |
| <b>PBDE073</b>  | 4.125                                         | 0.110                                | -0.276        | -0.203        | 0                | 0            | 3.554            | -2.249        |
| <b>PBDE074</b>  | 3.435                                         | 0.094                                | -0.061        | -0.084        | 2                | 0            | 4.237            | -2.000        |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PBDE076</b>  | 2.951                                         | 0.058                                | -0.152        | -0.164        | 1                | 0            | 3.623            | -2.045        |
| <b>PBDE078</b>  | 3.182                                         | 0.083                                | -0.117        | -0.206        | 1                | 0            | 3.947            | -2.394        |
| <b>PBDE079</b>  | 3.967                                         | 0.102                                | -0.117        | -0.206        | 1                | 0            | 4.291            | -2.557        |
| <b>PBDE080</b>  | 5.055                                         | 0.208                                | -0.208        | -0.286        | 0                | 0            | 4.306            | -2.746        |
| <b>PBDE081</b>  | 4.153                                         | 0.142                                | -0.027        | -0.126        | 2                | 0            | 4.641            | -2.038        |
| <b>PBDE082</b>  | 2.934                                         | 0.119                                | -0.258        | -0.277        | 1                | 0            | 3.501            | -1.536        |
| <b>PBDE083</b>  | 4.429                                         | 0.092                                | -0.092        | -0.081        | 0                | 0            | 3.548            | -1.722        |
| <b>PBDE084</b>  | 4.963                                         | 0.066                                | -0.133        | -0.049        | 0                | 0            | 3.780            | -2.193        |
| <b>PBDE086</b>  | 2.597                                         | 0.071                                | -0.003        | 0.017         | 1                | 0            | 3.443            | -2.228        |
| <b>PBDE087</b>  | 4.333                                         | 0.034                                | -0.003        | 0.017         | 1                | 0            | 4.026            | -2.033        |
| <b>PBDE088</b>  | 3.227                                         | 0.070                                | -0.044        | 0.049         | 1                | 0            | 3.330            | -1.511        |
| <b>PBDE089</b>  | 2.884                                         | 0.087                                | -0.299        | -0.245        | 1                | 0            | 3.573            | -2.186        |
| <b>PBDE090</b>  | 4.080                                         | 0.039                                | -0.003        | 0.017         | 1                | 0            | 3.851            | -1.780        |
| <b>PBDE091</b>  | 3.857                                         | 0.038                                | -0.044        | 0.049         | 1                | 0            | 3.741            | -2.064        |
| <b>PBDE092</b>  | 5.585                                         | 0.072                                | 0.163         | 0.214         | 0                | 0            | 3.812            | -1.694        |
| <b>PBDE093</b>  | 4.663                                         | 0.094                                | 0.122         | 0.245         | 0                | 0            | 3.273            | -1.439        |
| <b>PBDE094</b>  | 4.135                                         | 0.066                                | -0.133        | -0.049        | 0                | 0            | 3.508            | -2.303        |
| <b>PBDE095</b>  | 5.783                                         | 0.105                                | 0.122         | 0.245         | 0                | 0            | 3.675            | -1.395        |
| <b>PBDE096</b>  | 4.593                                         | 0.120                                | -0.173        | -0.018        | 0                | 0            | 3.295            | -1.464        |
| <b>PBDE097</b>  | 3.860                                         | 0.050                                | -0.003        | 0.017         | 1                | 0            | 3.703            | -1.576        |
| <b>PBDE098</b>  | 3.416                                         | 0.090                                | -0.299        | -0.245        | 1                | 0            | 3.861            | -2.465        |
| <b>PBDE099</b>  | 3.557                                         | 0.109                                | 0.086         | 0.116         | 2                | 0            | 4.027            | -1.651        |
| <b>PBDE101</b>  | 5.086                                         | 0.093                                | 0.252         | 0.312         | 1                | 0            | 3.983            | -1.513        |

Table A1. Continued.

| Chemical | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.241$ ) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|----------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| PBDE102  | 3.931                                  | 0.063                      | -0.044 | 0.049  | 1         | 0     | 3.586     | -1.493 |
| PBDE103  | 4.241                                  | 0.047                      | -0.044 | 0.049  | 1         | 0     | 3.769     | -1.704 |
| PBDE104  | 3.116                                  | 0.113                      | -0.339 | -0.214 | 1         | 0     | 3.397     | -1.722 |
| PBDE105  | 2.269                                  | 0.117                      | -0.129 | -0.210 | 2         | 0     | 4.016     | -2.268 |
| PBDE106  | 4.053                                  | 0.098                      | -0.117 | -0.206 | 1         | 0     | 4.273     | -2.404 |
| PBDE107  | 4.650                                  | 0.059                      | 0.037  | -0.014 | 1         | 0     | 4.280     | -2.105 |
| PBDE108  | 3.280                                  | 0.122                      | -0.218 | -0.308 | 1         | 0     | 4.062     | -2.531 |
| PBDE109  | 3.976                                  | 0.035                      | -0.003 | 0.017  | 1         | 0     | 3.969     | -2.271 |
| PBDE110  | 4.610                                  | 0.041                      | -0.003 | 0.017  | 1         | 0     | 4.106     | -1.962 |
| PBDE111  | 4.834                                  | 0.110                      | -0.052 | -0.112 | 0         | 0     | 4.076     | -2.546 |
| PBDE112  | 5.568                                  | 0.054                      | 0.163  | 0.214  | 0         | 0     | 3.932     | -2.087 |
| PBDE113  | 4.673                                  | 0.074                      | -0.092 | -0.081 | 0         | 0     | 3.813     | -2.268 |
| PBDE114  | 2.271                                  | 0.117                      | -0.129 | -0.210 | 2         | 0     | 4.016     | -2.265 |
| PBDE115  | 2.934                                  | 0.133                      | 0.086  | 0.116  | 2         | 0     | 4.004     | -2.302 |
| PBDE116  | 2.759                                  | 0.195                      | 0.252  | 0.312  | 1         | 0     | 3.406     | -2.411 |
| PBDE117  | 4.549                                  | 0.079                      | 0.252  | 0.312  | 1         | 0     | 3.970     | -2.095 |
| PBDE118  | 3.197                                  | 0.126                      | 0.126  | 0.084  | 2         | 0     | 4.240     | -2.370 |
| PBDE120  | 4.145                                  | 0.068                      | 0.037  | -0.014 | 1         | 0     | 4.259     | -2.625 |
| PBDE121  | 3.210                                  | 0.122                      | -0.258 | -0.277 | 1         | 0     | 4.012     | -2.812 |
| PBDE122  | 2.972                                  | 0.108                      | -0.218 | -0.308 | 1         | 0     | 3.837     | -2.185 |
| PBDE123  | 2.441                                  | 0.132                      | -0.129 | -0.210 | 2         | 0     | 4.158     | -2.512 |
| PBDE124  | 4.018                                  | 0.047                      | 0.037  | -0.014 | 1         | 0     | 4.101     | -2.278 |
| PBDE125  | 2.875                                  | 0.089                      | -0.258 | -0.277 | 1         | 0     | 3.673     | -2.142 |
| PBDE127  | 3.675                                  | 0.198                      | -0.177 | -0.340 | 1         | 0     | 4.430     | -2.854 |

Table A1. Continued.

| Chemical       | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.241$ ) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|----------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| <b>PBDE128</b> | 1.959                                  | 0.156                      | -0.246 | -0.368 | 2         | 0     | 3.883     | -1.863 |
| <b>PBDE129</b> | 3.090                                  | 0.063                      | -0.107 | -0.165 | 1         | 0     | 3.693     | -1.891 |
| <b>PBDE130</b> | 3.553                                  | 0.064                      | -0.107 | -0.165 | 1         | 0     | 3.905     | -2.018 |
| <b>PBDE131</b> | 3.329                                  | 0.059                      | -0.153 | -0.144 | 1         | 0     | 3.644     | -1.791 |
| <b>PBDE132</b> | 3.794                                  | 0.069                      | -0.153 | -0.144 | 1         | 0     | 3.792     | -1.712 |
| <b>PBDE133</b> | 5.152                                  | 0.061                      | 0.032  | 0.038  | 0         | 0     | 3.916     | -2.132 |
| <b>PBDE134</b> | 4.839                                  | 0.067                      | -0.014 | 0.059  | 0         | 0     | 3.554     | -1.694 |
| <b>PBDE135</b> | 5.430                                  | 0.075                      | -0.014 | 0.059  | 0         | 0     | 3.791     | -1.746 |
| <b>PBDE136</b> | 5.397                                  | 0.079                      | -0.061 | 0.079  | 0         | 0     | 3.659     | -1.699 |
| <b>PBDE137</b> | 2.811                                  | 0.092                      | -0.017 | -0.042 | 2         | 0     | 3.993     | -1.996 |
| <b>PBDE138</b> | 3.133                                  | 0.090                      | -0.017 | -0.042 | 2         | 0     | 4.087     | -1.918 |
| <b>PBDE139</b> | 2.793                                  | 0.142                      | -0.063 | -0.022 | 2         | 0     | 4.095     | -2.655 |
| <b>PBDE140</b> | 2.106                                  | 0.143                      | -0.293 | -0.347 | 2         | 0     | 3.863     | -1.961 |
| <b>PBDE141</b> | 4.477                                  | 0.041                      | 0.122  | 0.161  | 1         | 0     | 3.954     | -1.878 |
| <b>PBDE142</b> | 3.309                                  | 0.078                      | 0.076  | 0.181  | 1         | 0     | 3.376     | -1.748 |
| <b>PBDE143</b> | 3.239                                  | 0.063                      | -0.153 | -0.144 | 1         | 0     | 3.586     | -1.713 |
| <b>PBDE144</b> | 4.658                                  | 0.049                      | 0.076  | 0.181  | 1         | 0     | 3.894     | -1.803 |
| <b>PBDE145</b> | 3.197                                  | 0.060                      | -0.200 | -0.123 | 1         | 0     | 3.525     | -1.904 |
| <b>PBDE146</b> | 4.762                                  | 0.042                      | 0.122  | 0.161  | 1         | 0     | 4.091     | -1.975 |
| <b>PBDE147</b> | 4.439                                  | 0.047                      | 0.076  | 0.181  | 1         | 0     | 3.833     | -1.865 |
| <b>PBDE148</b> | 3.732                                  | 0.053                      | -0.153 | -0.144 | 1         | 0     | 3.870     | -2.028 |
| <b>PBDE149</b> | 4.939                                  | 0.057                      | 0.076  | 0.181  | 1         | 0     | 3.964     | -1.694 |
| <b>PBDE150</b> | 3.523                                  | 0.061                      | -0.200 | -0.123 | 1         | 0     | 3.622     | -1.827 |
| <b>PBDE151</b> | 6.092                                  | 0.095                      | 0.215  | 0.384  | 0         | 0     | 3.786     | -1.737 |



Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(h*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PBDE152</b>  | 4.835                                         | 0.075                         | -0.061        | 0.079         | 0                | 0            | 3.437            | -1.660        |
| <b>PBDE155</b>  | 2.014                                         | 0.129                         | -0.223        | -0.257        | 2                | 0            | 3.887            | -2.326        |
| <b>PBDE156</b>  | 2.134                                         | 0.142                         | -0.118        | -0.273        | 2                | 0            | 4.085            | -2.238        |
| <b>PBDE157</b>  | 3.493                                         | 0.115                         | 0.029         | -0.063        | 2                | 0            | 4.454            | -2.318        |
| <b>PBDE158</b>  | 3.492                                         | 0.103                         | -0.017        | -0.042        | 2                | 0            | 4.366            | -2.371        |
| <b>PBDE159</b>  | 2.048                                         | 0.205                         | -0.200        | -0.388        | 2                | 0            | 4.246            | -2.571        |
| <b>PBDE160</b>  | 4.272                                         | 0.052                         | 0.122         | 0.161         | 1                | 0            | 4.039            | -2.380        |
| <b>PBDE161</b>  | 3.506                                         | 0.104                         | -0.107        | -0.165        | 1                | 0            | 4.153            | -2.846        |
| <b>PBDE162</b>  | 4.196                                         | 0.053                         | 0.122         | 0.161         | 1                | 0            | 4.012            | -2.384        |
| <b>PBDE163</b>  | 3.724                                         | 0.070                         | -0.107        | -0.165        | 1                | 0            | 4.085            | -2.381        |
| <b>PBDE164</b>  | 3.472                                         | 0.123                         | -0.061        | -0.186        | 1                | 0            | 4.227            | -2.788        |
| <b>PBDE165</b>  | 5.060                                         | 0.068                         | 0.032         | 0.038         | 0                | 0            | 4.024            | -2.576        |
| <b>PBDE166</b>  | 3.337                                         | 0.197                         | 0.212         | 0.283         | 2                | 0            | 4.059            | -2.366        |
| <b>PBDE167</b>  | 3.158                                         | 0.140                         | 0.029         | -0.063        | 2                | 0            | 4.434            | -2.643        |
| <b>PBDE168</b>  | 1.984                                         | 0.194                         | -0.246        | -0.368        | 2                | 0            | 4.167            | -2.721        |
| <b>PBDE169</b>  | 2.433                                         | 0.305                         | -0.154        | -0.409        | 2                | 0            | 4.637            | -3.016        |
| <b>PBDE170</b>  | 2.134                                         | 0.142                         | -0.118        | -0.273        | 2                | 0            | 4.086            | -2.241        |
| <b>PBDE171</b>  | 2.288                                         | 0.124                         | -0.170        | -0.265        | 2                | 0            | 4.030            | -2.168        |
| <b>PBDE172</b>  | 3.890                                         | 0.051                         | 0.002         | -0.053        | 1                | 0            | 4.086            | -2.321        |
| <b>PBDE173</b>  | 3.283                                         | 0.039                         | -0.050        | -0.046        | 1                | 0            | 3.675            | -2.017        |
| <b>PBDE174</b>  | 4.118                                         | 0.041                         | -0.050        | -0.046        | 1                | 0            | 3.970            | -1.972        |
| <b>PBDE175</b>  | 3.910                                         | 0.037                         | -0.050        | -0.046        | 1                | 0            | 3.908            | -2.019        |
| <b>PBDE176</b>  | 4.038                                         | 0.036                         | -0.102        | -0.038        | 1                | 0            | 3.903            | -2.136        |
| <b>PBDE177</b>  | 4.079                                         | 0.038                         | -0.050        | -0.046        | 1                | 0            | 4.021            | -2.177        |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PBDE178</b>  | 5.664                                         | 0.049                                | 0.070         | 0.174         | 0                | 0            | 3.903            | -2.085        |
| <b>PBDE179</b>  | 5.706                                         | 0.059                                | 0.018         | 0.181         | 0                | 0            | 3.782            | -1.935        |
| <b>PBDE180</b>  | 3.660                                         | 0.108                                | 0.095         | 0.106         | 2                | 0            | 4.274            | -2.206        |
| <b>PBDE181</b>  | 3.015                                         | 0.129                                | 0.043         | 0.113         | 2                | 0            | 3.951            | -2.222        |
| <b>PBDE182</b>  | 2.211                                         | 0.129                                | -0.170        | -0.265        | 2                | 0            | 4.040            | -2.289        |
| <b>PBDE184</b>  | 2.114                                         | 0.138                                | -0.223        | -0.257        | 2                | 0            | 3.976            | -2.488        |
| <b>PBDE185</b>  | 4.862                                         | 0.090                                | 0.163         | 0.333         | 1                | 0            | 3.909            | -2.065        |
| <b>PBDE186</b>  | 3.231                                         | 0.045                                | -0.102        | -0.038        | 1                | 0            | 3.568            | -2.026        |
| <b>PBDE187</b>  | 5.335                                         | 0.084                                | 0.163         | 0.333         | 1                | 0            | 4.075            | -2.035        |
| <b>PBDE188</b>  | 3.840                                         | 0.038                                | -0.102        | -0.038        | 1                | 0            | 3.856            | -2.219        |
| <b>PBDE189</b>  | 2.350                                         | 0.221                                | -0.065        | -0.280        | 2                | 0            | 4.440            | -2.813        |
| <b>PBDE190</b>  | 2.835                                         | 0.182                                | 0.095         | 0.106         | 2                | 0            | 4.135            | -2.729        |
| <b>PBDE191</b>  | 2.313                                         | 0.200                                | -0.118        | -0.273        | 2                | 0            | 4.353            | -2.867        |
| <b>PBDE192</b>  | 3.522                                         | 0.111                                | 0.002         | -0.053        | 1                | 0            | 4.150            | -2.947        |
| <b>PBDE193</b>  | 4.231                                         | 0.055                                | 0.002         | -0.053        | 1                | 0            | 4.206            | -2.301        |
| <b>PBDE194</b>  | 2.481                                         | 0.156                                | -0.020        | -0.180        | 2                | 0            | 4.294            | -2.560        |
| <b>PBDE195</b>  | 2.155                                         | 0.130                                | -0.079        | -0.191        | 2                | 0            | 4.053            | -2.394        |
| <b>PBDE196</b>  | 2.584                                         | 0.130                                | -0.079        | -0.191        | 2                | 0            | 4.227            | -2.440        |
| <b>PBDE197</b>  | 2.443                                         | 0.137                                | -0.138        | -0.202        | 2                | 0            | 4.160            | -2.602        |
| <b>PBDE198</b>  | 4.148                                         | 0.042                                | 0.027         | 0.064         | 1                | 0            | 4.044            | -2.430        |
| <b>PBDE199</b>  | 4.381                                         | 0.035                                | 0.027         | 0.064         | 1                | 0            | 4.091            | -2.308        |
| <b>PBDE200</b>  | 4.138                                         | 0.037                                | -0.032        | 0.053         | 1                | 0            | 3.934            | -2.307        |
| <b>PBDE201</b>  | 4.309                                         | 0.039                                | -0.032        | 0.053         | 1                | 0            | 4.023            | -2.385        |
| <b>PBDE202</b>  | 6.197                                         | 0.077                                | 0.074         | 0.307         | 0                | 0            | 3.898            | -2.177        |

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| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PBDE203</b>  | 4.104                                         | 0.189                                | 0.124         | 0.284         | 2                | 0            | 4.226            | -2.402        |
| <b>PBDE204</b>  | 1.984                                         | 0.151                                | -0.138        | -0.202        | 2                | 0            | 3.999            | -2.630        |
| <b>PBDE205</b>  | 2.568                                         | 0.170                                | -0.020        | -0.180        | 2                | 0            | 4.368            | -2.691        |
| <b>PBDE206</b>  | 2.534                                         | 0.153                                | -0.009        | -0.118        | 2                | 0            | 4.259            | -2.687        |
| <b>PBDE207</b>  | 2.304                                         | 0.166                                | -0.075        | -0.163        | 2                | 0            | 4.192            | -2.794        |
| <b>PBDE208</b>  | 4.620                                         | 0.069                                | 0.020         | 0.173         | 1                | 0            | 4.056            | -2.561        |
| <b>PBDE209</b>  | 2.048                                         | 0.216                                | -0.029        | -0.168        | 2                | 0            | 4.233            | -2.981        |
| <b>PCB001</b>   | 2.214                                         | 0.179                                | -0.216        | -0.153        | 0                | 0            | 2.563            | -1.378        |
| <b>PCB002</b>   | 2.818                                         | 0.108                                | 0.028         | 0.006         | 0                | 0            | 2.911            | -1.541        |
| <b>PCB003</b>   | 3.169                                         | 0.106                                | 0.095         | 0.032         | 0                | 0            | 3.075            | -1.487        |
| <b>PCB004</b>   | 1.751                                         | 0.221                                | -0.018        | -0.156        | 0                | 0            | 2.581            | -1.053        |
| <b>PCB005</b>   | 2.896                                         | 0.152                                | -0.199        | -0.133        | 0                | 0            | 2.800            | -1.363        |
| <b>PCB006</b>   | 2.782                                         | 0.126                                | -0.199        | -0.133        | 0                | 0            | 2.872            | -1.719        |
| <b>PCB007</b>   | 3.047                                         | 0.104                                | -0.118        | -0.092        | 0                | 0            | 3.002            | -1.677        |
| <b>PCB008</b>   | 3.302                                         | 0.107                                | -0.118        | -0.092        | 0                | 0            | 3.057            | -1.554        |
| <b>PCB009</b>   | 2.225                                         | 0.161                                | 0.186         | 0.022         | 0                | 0            | 2.918            | -1.621        |
| <b>PCB010</b>   | 2.571                                         | 0.275                                | -0.404        | -0.310        | 0                | 0            | 2.625            | -1.140        |
| <b>PCB011</b>   | 3.770                                         | 0.065                                | 0.005         | 0.045         | 0                | 0            | 3.255            | -1.834        |
| <b>PCB012</b>   | 3.548                                         | 0.078                                | 0.087         | 0.086         | 0                | 0            | 3.172            | -1.687        |
| <b>PCB013</b>   | 4.288                                         | 0.066                                | 0.087         | 0.086         | 0                | 0            | 3.453            | -1.707        |
| <b>PCB014</b>   | 3.385                                         | 0.075                                | 0.005         | 0.045         | 0                | 0            | 3.132            | -1.898        |
| <b>PCB015</b>   | 4.718                                         | 0.084                                | 0.168         | 0.126         | 0                | 0            | 3.631            | -1.618        |
| <b>PCB016</b>   | 2.234                                         | 0.138                                | -0.123        | -0.174        | 0                | 0            | 2.879            | -1.803        |
| <b>PCB017</b>   | 2.528                                         | 0.121                                | -0.030        | -0.117        | 0                | 0            | 3.031            | -1.831        |

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| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PCB018</b>   | 1.853                                         | 0.189                                | 0.185         | -0.012        | 0                | 0            | 2.921            | -1.877        |
| <b>PCB019</b>   | 1.611                                         | 0.261                                | -0.006        | -0.214        | 0                | 0            | 2.643            | -1.032        |
| <b>PCB020</b>   | 3.373                                         | 0.106                                | -0.239        | -0.135        | 0                | 0            | 3.129            | -2.006        |
| <b>PCB021</b>   | 3.449                                         | 0.101                                | -0.146        | -0.078        | 0                | 0            | 3.070            | -1.630        |
| <b>PCB022</b>   | 4.013                                         | 0.085                                | -0.146        | -0.078        | 0                | 0            | 3.326            | -1.776        |
| <b>PCB023</b>   | 2.818                                         | 0.099                                | 0.069         | 0.027         | 0                | 0            | 3.068            | -1.962        |
| <b>PCB024</b>   | 2.594                                         | 0.152                                | -0.123        | -0.174        | 0                | 0            | 2.888            | -1.412        |
| <b>PCB025</b>   | 3.854                                         | 0.076                                | -0.146        | -0.078        | 0                | 0            | 3.335            | -1.989        |
| <b>PCB026</b>   | 3.265                                         | 0.082                                | 0.069         | 0.027         | 0                | 0            | 3.249            | -2.010        |
| <b>PCB027</b>   | 3.019                                         | 0.224                                | -0.430        | -0.336        | 0                | 0            | 2.942            | -1.582        |
| <b>PCB028</b>   | 4.407                                         | 0.069                                | -0.053        | -0.020        | 0                | 0            | 3.514            | -1.806        |
| <b>PCB029</b>   | 3.040                                         | 0.103                                | 0.162         | 0.084         | 0                | 0            | 3.154            | -1.869        |
| <b>PCB030</b>   | 3.127                                         | 0.183                                | -0.337        | -0.279        | 0                | 0            | 3.008            | -1.558        |
| <b>PCB031</b>   | 3.788                                         | 0.085                                | 0.162         | 0.084         | 0                | 0            | 3.401            | -1.772        |
| <b>PCB032</b>   | 3.528                                         | 0.217                                | -0.337        | -0.279        | 0                | 0            | 3.081            | -1.320        |
| <b>PCB033</b>   | 3.485                                         | 0.087                                | -0.146        | -0.078        | 0                | 0            | 3.153            | -1.848        |
| <b>PCB034</b>   | 3.302                                         | 0.107                                | -0.239        | -0.135        | 0                | 0            | 3.120            | -2.063        |
| <b>PCB035</b>   | 4.609                                         | 0.048                                | 0.045         | 0.124         | 0                | 0            | 3.532            | -1.985        |
| <b>PCB036</b>   | 4.321                                         | 0.056                                | -0.048        | 0.066         | 0                | 0            | 3.478            | -2.251        |
| <b>PCB037</b>   | 5.151                                         | 0.055                                | 0.138         | 0.181         | 0                | 0            | 3.726            | -1.857        |
| <b>PCB038</b>   | 3.775                                         | 0.069                                | 0.045         | 0.124         | 0                | 0            | 3.238            | -2.035        |
| <b>PCB039</b>   | 4.837                                         | 0.045                                | 0.045         | 0.124         | 0                | 0            | 3.644            | -2.071        |
| <b>PCB040</b>   | 2.967                                         | 0.123                                | -0.234        | -0.222        | 0                | 0            | 3.160            | -2.066        |
| <b>PCB041</b>   | 2.863                                         | 0.105                                | -0.130        | -0.144        | 0                | 0            | 3.121            | -2.026        |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(h*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PCB042</b>   | 3.312                                         | 0.094                         | -0.130        | -0.144        | 0                | 0            | 3.291            | -2.036        |
| <b>PCB043</b>   | 2.441                                         | 0.125                         | 0.031         | -0.048        | 0                | 0            | 3.082            | -2.197        |
| <b>PCB044</b>   | 2.695                                         | 0.111                         | 0.031         | -0.048        | 0                | 0            | 3.157            | -2.136        |
| <b>PCB045</b>   | 2.090                                         | 0.203                         | 0.108         | -0.106        | 0                | 0            | 2.885            | -1.316        |
| <b>PCB046</b>   | 2.194                                         | 0.204                         | -0.158        | -0.280        | 0                | 0            | 2.873            | -1.396        |
| <b>PCB048</b>   | 2.669                                         | 0.123                         | 0.136         | 0.030         | 0                | 0            | 3.151            | -2.106        |
| <b>PCB049</b>   | 3.111                                         | 0.106                         | 0.136         | 0.030         | 0                | 0            | 3.320            | -2.120        |
| <b>PCB050</b>   | 2.510                                         | 0.183                         | -0.053        | -0.203        | 0                | 0            | 2.999            | -1.376        |
| <b>PCB051</b>   | 2.691                                         | 0.196                         | -0.053        | -0.203        | 0                | 0            | 3.029            | -1.258        |
| <b>PCB052</b>   | 2.575                                         | 0.185                         | 0.297         | 0.127         | 0                | 0            | 3.219            | -2.235        |
| <b>PCB053</b>   | 2.161                                         | 0.194                         | 0.108         | -0.106        | 0                | 0            | 2.940            | -1.405        |
| <b>PCB054</b>   | 1.269                                         | 0.349                         | 0.184         | -0.164        | 0                | 0            | 2.686            | -0.975        |
| <b>PCB055</b>   | 4.003                                         | 0.082                         | -0.206        | -0.086        | 0                | 0            | 3.399            | -2.243        |
| <b>PCB056</b>   | 4.179                                         | 0.080                         | -0.206        | -0.086        | 0                | 0            | 3.425            | -2.120        |
| <b>PCB057</b>   | 3.644                                         | 0.075                         | -0.045        | 0.011         | 0                | 0            | 3.373            | -2.387        |
| <b>PCB058</b>   | 3.953                                         | 0.114                         | -0.311        | -0.164        | 0                | 0            | 3.376            | -2.272        |
| <b>PCB059</b>   | 3.196                                         | 0.125                         | -0.234        | -0.222        | 0                | 0            | 3.183            | -1.873        |
| <b>PCB062</b>   | 3.033                                         | 0.108                         | -0.130        | -0.144        | 0                | 0            | 3.099            | -1.760        |
| <b>PCB063</b>   | 4.295                                         | 0.051                         | 0.059         | 0.088         | 0                | 0            | 3.538            | -2.103        |
| <b>PCB064</b>   | 3.829                                         | 0.123                         | -0.130        | -0.144        | 0                | 0            | 3.322            | -1.535        |
| <b>PCB065</b>   | 2.761                                         | 0.109                         | 0.031         | -0.048        | 0                | 0            | 3.053            | -1.735        |
| <b>PCB066</b>   | 4.671                                         | 0.057                         | -0.102        | -0.009        | 0                | 0            | 3.617            | -2.106        |
| <b>PCB067</b>   | 2.669                                         | 0.123                         | 0.136         | 0.030         | 0                | 0            | 3.151            | -2.106        |
| <b>PCB068</b>   | 3.111                                         | 0.106                         | 0.136         | 0.030         | 0                | 0            | 3.320            | -2.120        |

Table A1. Continued.

| Chemical       | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( <i>h</i> *=0.241) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|----------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| <b>PCB069</b>  | 3.636                                  | 0.177                          | -0.396 | -0.319 | 0         | 0     | 3.307     | -1.947 |
| <b>PCB070</b>  | 4.196                                  | 0.053                          | 0.059  | 0.088  | 0         | 0     | 3.510     | -2.131 |
| <b>PCB071</b>  | 3.550                                  | 0.198                          | -0.396 | -0.319 | 0         | 0     | 3.193     | -1.688 |
| <b>PCB072</b>  | 3.814                                  | 0.068                          | -0.045 | 0.011  | 0         | 0     | 3.435     | -2.382 |
| <b>PCB073</b>  | 3.091                                  | 0.228                          | -0.500 | -0.396 | 0         | 0     | 3.132     | -2.074 |
| <b>PCB074</b>  | 4.615                                  | 0.057                          | 0.164  | 0.166  | 0         | 0     | 3.641     | -2.011 |
| <b>PCB075</b>  | 4.215                                  | 0.160                          | -0.291 | -0.241 | 0         | 0     | 3.451     | -1.682 |
| <b>PCB076</b>  | 3.682                                  | 0.089                          | -0.206 | -0.086 | 0         | 0     | 3.255     | -2.165 |
| <b>PCB078</b>  | 4.858                                  | 0.059                          | -0.017 | 0.147  | 0         | 0     | 3.616     | -2.369 |
| <b>PBDE078</b> | 3.182                                  | 0.083                          | -0.117 | -0.206 | 1         | 0     | 3.947     | -2.394 |
| <b>PBDE079</b> | 3.967                                  | 0.102                          | -0.117 | -0.206 | 1         | 0     | 4.291     | -2.557 |
| <b>PBDE080</b> | 5.055                                  | 0.208                          | -0.208 | -0.286 | 0         | 0     | 4.306     | -2.746 |
| <b>PBDE081</b> | 4.153                                  | 0.142                          | -0.027 | -0.126 | 2         | 0     | 4.641     | -2.038 |
| <b>PBDE082</b> | 2.934                                  | 0.119                          | -0.258 | -0.277 | 1         | 0     | 3.501     | -1.536 |
| <b>PBDE083</b> | 4.429                                  | 0.092                          | -0.092 | -0.081 | 0         | 0     | 3.548     | -1.722 |
| <b>PBDE084</b> | 4.963                                  | 0.066                          | -0.133 | -0.049 | 0         | 0     | 3.780     | -2.193 |
| <b>PBDE086</b> | 2.597                                  | 0.071                          | -0.003 | 0.017  | 1         | 0     | 3.443     | -2.228 |
| <b>PBDE087</b> | 4.333                                  | 0.034                          | -0.003 | 0.017  | 1         | 0     | 4.026     | -2.033 |
| <b>PBDE088</b> | 3.227                                  | 0.070                          | -0.044 | 0.049  | 1         | 0     | 3.330     | -1.511 |
| <b>PBDE089</b> | 2.884                                  | 0.087                          | -0.299 | -0.245 | 1         | 0     | 3.573     | -2.186 |
| <b>PBDE090</b> | 4.080                                  | 0.039                          | -0.003 | 0.017  | 1         | 0     | 3.851     | -1.780 |
| <b>PBDE091</b> | 3.857                                  | 0.038                          | -0.044 | 0.049  | 1         | 0     | 3.741     | -2.064 |
| <b>PBDE092</b> | 5.585                                  | 0.072                          | 0.163  | 0.214  | 0         | 0     | 3.812     | -1.694 |
| <b>PBDE093</b> | 4.663                                  | 0.094                          | 0.122  | 0.245  | 0         | 0     | 3.273     | -1.439 |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PBDE094</b>  | 4.135                                         | 0.066                                | -0.133        | -0.049        | 0                | 0            | 3.508            | -2.303        |
| <b>PBDE095</b>  | 5.783                                         | 0.105                                | 0.122         | 0.245         | 0                | 0            | 3.675            | -1.395        |
| <b>PBDE096</b>  | 4.593                                         | 0.120                                | -0.173        | -0.018        | 0                | 0            | 3.295            | -1.464        |
| <b>PBDE097</b>  | 3.860                                         | 0.050                                | -0.003        | 0.017         | 1                | 0            | 3.703            | -1.576        |
| <b>PBDE098</b>  | 3.416                                         | 0.090                                | -0.299        | -0.245        | 1                | 0            | 3.861            | -2.465        |
| <b>PBDE099</b>  | 3.557                                         | 0.109                                | 0.086         | 0.116         | 2                | 0            | 4.027            | -1.651        |
| <b>PBDE101</b>  | 5.086                                         | 0.093                                | 0.252         | 0.312         | 1                | 0            | 3.983            | -1.513        |
| <b>PBDE102</b>  | 3.931                                         | 0.063                                | -0.044        | 0.049         | 1                | 0            | 3.586            | -1.493        |
| <b>PBDE103</b>  | 4.241                                         | 0.047                                | -0.044        | 0.049         | 1                | 0            | 3.769            | -1.704        |
| <b>PBDE104</b>  | 3.116                                         | 0.113                                | -0.339        | -0.214        | 1                | 0            | 3.397            | -1.722        |
| <b>PCB106</b>   | 4.300                                         | 0.067                                | -0.051        | 0.070         | 0                | 0            | 3.539            | -2.500        |
| <b>PCB108</b>   | 4.589                                         | 0.104                                | -0.293        | -0.124        | 0                | 0            | 3.640            | -2.499        |
| <b>PCB109</b>   | 3.621                                         | 0.109                                | -0.245        | -0.207        | 0                | 0            | 3.404            | -2.202        |
| <b>PCB110</b>   | 4.116                                         | 0.103                                | -0.168        | -0.034        | 0                | 0            | 3.582            | -2.800        |
| <b>PCB111</b>   | 3.346                                         | 0.088                                | -0.120        | -0.117        | 0                | 0            | 3.339            | -2.253        |
| <b>PCB112</b>   | 3.297                                         | 0.160                                | -0.362        | -0.311        | 0                | 0            | 3.369            | -2.420        |
| <b>PCB113</b>   | 5.084                                         | 0.046                                | 0.066         | 0.174         | 0                | 0            | 3.677            | -2.072        |
| <b>PCB115</b>   | 4.331                                         | 0.086                                | -0.128        | -0.103        | 0                | 0            | 3.545            | -1.867        |
| <b>PCB116</b>   | 3.108                                         | 0.084                                | -0.003        | -0.013        | 0                | 0            | 3.172            | -2.054        |
| <b>PCB117</b>   | 4.108                                         | 0.068                                | -0.003        | -0.013        | 0                | 0            | 3.475            | -1.842        |
| <b>PCB119</b>   | 4.276                                         | 0.168                                | -0.370        | -0.297        | 0                | 0            | 3.573            | -2.036        |
| <b>PCB120</b>   | 4.602                                         | 0.066                                | -0.051        | 0.070         | 0                | 0            | 3.684            | -2.604        |
| <b>PCB121</b>   | 3.685                                         | 0.217                                | -0.487        | -0.401        | 0                | 0            | 3.492            | -2.423        |
| <b>PCB122</b>   | 4.439                                         | 0.103                                | -0.293        | -0.124        | 0                | 0            | 3.539            | -2.357        |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PCB123</b>   | 4.891                                         | 0.069                                | -0.176        | -0.020        | 0                | 0            | 3.706            | -2.405        |
| <b>PCB124</b>   | 4.448                                         | 0.061                                | -0.051        | 0.070         | 0                | 0            | 3.583            | -2.468        |
| <b>PCB125</b>   | 3.339                                         | 0.221                                | -0.487        | -0.401        | 0                | 0            | 3.276            | -2.148        |
| <b>PCB127</b>   | 5.431                                         | 0.100                                | -0.099        | 0.153         | 0                | 0            | 3.836            | -2.798        |
| <b>PCB129</b>   | 3.608                                         | 0.102                                | -0.153        | -0.098        | 0                | 0            | 3.486            | -2.665        |
| <b>PCB130</b>   | 3.467                                         | 0.136                                | -0.056        | -0.014        | 0                | 0            | 3.518            | -2.953        |
| <b>PCB131</b>   | 3.109                                         | 0.127                                | -0.129        | -0.215        | 0                | 0            | 3.342            | -2.028        |
| <b>PCB132</b>   | 3.263                                         | 0.130                                | -0.129        | -0.215        | 0                | 0            | 3.359            | -1.905        |
| <b>PCB133</b>   | 3.467                                         | 0.136                                | -0.056        | -0.014        | 0                | 0            | 3.518            | -2.953        |
| <b>PCB134</b>   | 2.841                                         | 0.116                                | -0.032        | -0.131        | 0                | 0            | 3.276            | -2.163        |
| <b>PCB135</b>   | 2.854                                         | 0.118                                | -0.032        | -0.131        | 0                | 0            | 3.308            | -2.247        |
| <b>PCB136</b>   | 2.377                                         | 0.190                                | 0.221         | -0.021        | 0                | 0            | 3.124            | -1.690        |
| <b>PCB137</b>   | 4.214                                         | 0.070                                | -0.022        | 0.043         | 0                | 0            | 3.627            | -2.593        |
| <b>PCB138</b>   | 4.384                                         | 0.061                                | -0.022        | 0.043         | 0                | 0            | 3.669            | -2.528        |
| <b>PCB139</b>   | 3.841                                         | 0.094                                | 0.002         | -0.074        | 0                | 0            | 3.485            | -1.818        |
| <b>PCB140</b>   | 3.564                                         | 0.167                                | -0.227        | -0.300        | 0                | 0            | 3.478            | -1.898        |
| <b>PCB141</b>   | 3.775                                         | 0.113                                | 0.075         | 0.128         | 0                | 0            | 3.504            | -2.751        |
| <b>PCB142</b>   | 2.938                                         | 0.105                                | -0.003        | -0.013        | 0                | 0            | 3.216            | -2.391        |
| <b>PCB143</b>   | 2.808                                         | 0.131                                | -0.129        | -0.215        | 0                | 0            | 3.225            | -2.015        |
| <b>PCB144</b>   | 3.399                                         | 0.089                                | 0.099         | 0.011         | 0                | 0            | 3.380            | -2.035        |
| <b>PCB145</b>   | 2.429                                         | 0.187                                | 0.124         | -0.106        | 0                | 0            | 3.119            | -1.581        |
| <b>PCB146</b>   | 4.198                                         | 0.075                                | 0.075         | 0.128         | 0                | 0            | 3.602            | -2.567        |
| <b>PCB147</b>   | 3.632                                         | 0.086                                | 0.099         | 0.011         | 0                | 0            | 3.416            | -1.877        |
| <b>PCB148</b>   | 3.210                                         | 0.125                                | -0.129        | -0.215        | 0                | 0            | 3.422            | -2.164        |



Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PCB149</b>   | 3.552                                         | 0.086                                | 0.099         | 0.011         | 0                | 0            | 3.397            | -1.912        |
| <b>PCB150</b>   | 2.724                                         | 0.183                                | 0.124         | -0.106        | 0                | 0            | 3.232            | -1.590        |
| <b>PCB151</b>   | 3.136                                         | 0.114                                | 0.197         | 0.096         | 0                | 0            | 3.315            | -2.167        |
| <b>PCB152</b>   | 2.184                                         | 0.196                                | 0.221         | -0.021        | 0                | 0            | 3.064            | -1.724        |
| <b>PCB154</b>   | 3.849                                         | 0.090                                | 0.002         | -0.074        | 0                | 0            | 3.515            | -1.903        |
| <b>PCB155</b>   | 3.020                                         | 0.194                                | 0.026         | -0.190        | 0                | 0            | 3.343            | -1.570        |
| <b>PCB158</b>   | 4.453                                         | 0.103                                | -0.251        | -0.183        | 0                | 0            | 3.684            | -2.272        |
| <b>PCB159</b>   | 4.710                                         | 0.112                                | -0.178        | 0.018         | 0                | 0            | 3.737            | -2.930        |
| <b>PCB160</b>   | 3.668                                         | 0.091                                | -0.153        | -0.098        | 0                | 0            | 3.473            | -2.553        |
| <b>PCB161</b>   | 3.650                                         | 0.177                                | -0.382        | -0.325        | 0                | 0            | 3.597            | -2.735        |
| <b>PCB162</b>   | 4.857                                         | 0.096                                | -0.178        | 0.018         | 0                | 0            | 3.752            | -2.807        |
| <b>PCB163</b>   | 4.226                                         | 0.073                                | -0.153        | -0.098        | 0                | 0            | 3.606            | -2.320        |
| <b>PCB164</b>   | 3.692                                         | 0.166                                | -0.382        | -0.325        | 0                | 0            | 3.528            | -2.474        |
| <b>PCB165</b>   | 3.377                                         | 0.157                                | -0.285        | -0.240        | 0                | 0            | 3.523            | -2.855        |
| <b>PCB166</b>   | 4.555                                         | 0.048                                | -0.022        | 0.043         | 0                | 0            | 3.609            | -2.142        |
| <b>PCB169</b>   | 6.378                                         | 0.148                                | -0.071        | 0.277         | 0                | 0            | 4.032            | -2.878        |
| <b>PCB170</b>   | 4.461                                         | 0.097                                | -0.178        | -0.062        | 0                | 0            | 3.757            | -2.836        |
| <b>PCB171</b>   | 3.758                                         | 0.126                                | -0.175        | -0.233        | 0                | 0            | 3.598            | -2.184        |
| <b>PCB172</b>   | 4.096                                         | 0.140                                | -0.103        | 0.018         | 0                | 0            | 3.678            | -3.117        |
| <b>PCB173</b>   | 3.165                                         | 0.112                                | -0.100        | -0.153        | 0                | 0            | 3.422            | -2.430        |
| <b>PCB174</b>   | 3.307                                         | 0.106                                | -0.100        | -0.153        | 0                | 0            | 3.462            | -2.389        |
| <b>PCB175</b>   | 3.380                                         | 0.112                                | -0.100        | -0.153        | 0                | 0            | 3.533            | -2.526        |
| <b>PCB176</b>   | 2.993                                         | 0.131                                | 0.128         | -0.043        | 0                | 0            | 3.339            | -1.947        |
| <b>PCB177</b>   | 3.533                                         | 0.100                                | -0.100        | -0.153        | 0                | 0            | 3.522            | -2.315        |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PCB178</b>   | 3.099                                         | 0.131                                | -0.025        | -0.074        | 0                | 0            | 3.461            | -2.728        |
| <b>PCB179</b>   | 2.723                                         | 0.148                                | 0.202         | 0.037         | 0                | 0            | 3.275            | -2.168        |
| <b>PCB180</b>   | 4.905                                         | 0.115                                | 0.046         | 0.220         | 0                | 0            | 3.771            | -2.921        |
| <b>PCB181</b>   | 4.165                                         | 0.056                                | 0.049         | 0.049         | 0                | 0            | 3.559            | -2.147        |
| <b>PCB182</b>   | 3.598                                         | 0.125                                | -0.175        | -0.233        | 0                | 0            | 3.578            | -2.308        |
| <b>PCB183</b>   | 4.311                                         | 0.055                                | 0.049         | 0.049         | 0                | 0            | 3.627            | -2.191        |
| <b>PCB184</b>   | 3.285                                         | 0.141                                | 0.053         | -0.122        | 0                | 0            | 3.449            | -1.851        |
| <b>PCB185</b>   | 3.721                                         | 0.087                                | 0.124         | 0.128         | 0                | 0            | 3.453            | -2.432        |
| <b>PCB186</b>   | 2.596                                         | 0.142                                | 0.128         | -0.043        | 0                | 0            | 3.200            | -1.972        |
| <b>PCB187</b>   | 3.065                                         | 0.130                                | 0.128         | -0.043        | 0                | 0            | 3.381            | -1.993        |
| <b>PCB188</b>   | 3.065                                         | 0.130                                | 0.128         | -0.043        | 0                | 0            | 3.381            | -1.993        |
| <b>PCB189</b>   | 5.643                                         | 0.131                                | -0.181        | 0.109         | 0                | 0            | 3.933            | -2.984        |
| <b>PCB190</b>   | 4.665                                         | 0.078                                | -0.178        | -0.062        | 0                | 0            | 3.759            | -2.605        |
| <b>PCB191</b>   | 4.095                                         | 0.189                                | -0.402        | -0.343        | 0                | 0            | 3.777            | -2.772        |
| <b>PCB192</b>   | 3.576                                         | 0.195                                | -0.327        | -0.264        | 0                | 0            | 3.669            | -3.137        |
| <b>PCB193</b>   | 3.858                                         | 0.161                                | -0.327        | -0.264        | 0                | 0            | 3.695            | -2.891        |
| <b>PCB194</b>   | 5.197                                         | 0.117                                | -0.142        | 0.094         | 0                | 0            | 3.853            | -2.991        |
| <b>PCB195</b>   | 3.843                                         | 0.110                                | -0.159        | -0.181        | 0                | 0            | 3.682            | -2.566        |
| <b>PCB196</b>   | 3.824                                         | 0.116                                | -0.159        | -0.181        | 0                | 0            | 3.702            | -2.651        |
| <b>PCB197</b>   | 3.596                                         | 0.100                                | 0.050         | -0.063        | 0                | 0            | 3.564            | -2.193        |
| <b>PCB198</b>   | 3.444                                         | 0.143                                | -0.104        | -0.106        | 0                | 0            | 3.612            | -2.980        |
| <b>PCB199</b>   | 3.583                                         | 0.122                                | -0.104        | -0.106        | 0                | 0            | 3.624            | -2.855        |
| <b>PCB200</b>   | 3.175                                         | 0.112                                | 0.106         | 0.013         | 0                | 0            | 3.419            | -2.398        |
| <b>PCB201</b>   | 3.365                                         | 0.106                                | 0.106         | 0.013         | 0                | 0            | 3.492            | -2.405        |

Table A1. Continued.

| Chemical | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.241$ ) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|----------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| PCB202   | 3.073                                  | 0.154                      | 0.161  | 0.088  | 0         | 0     | 3.423     | -2.695 |
| PCB203   | 4.905                                  | 0.073                      | 0.068  | 0.212  | 0         | 0     | 3.707     | -2.574 |
| PCB204   | 3.463                                  | 0.103                      | 0.050  | -0.063 | 0         | 0     | 3.527     | -2.229 |
| PCB205   | 4.064                                  | 0.203                      | -0.368 | -0.300 | 0         | 0     | 3.861     | -3.156 |
| PCB206   | 3.846                                  | 0.152                      | -0.178 | -0.163 | 0         | 0     | 3.790     | -3.088 |
| PCB207   | 3.830                                  | 0.091                      | 0.018  | -0.011 | 0         | 0     | 3.648     | -2.620 |
| PCB208   | 3.579                                  | 0.134                      | 0.055  | 0.061  | 0         | 0     | 3.574     | -2.911 |
| PCDD000  | 5.118                                  | 0.225                      | -0.338 | -0.097 | 0         | 1     | 2.603     | -1.345 |
| PCDD002  | 5.022                                  | 0.070                      | 0.026  | -0.036 | 0         | 1     | 3.076     | -1.616 |
| PCDD003  | 5.211                                  | 0.056                      | -0.078 | -0.049 | 0         | 1     | 3.076     | -1.796 |
| PCDD004  | 5.258                                  | 0.046                      | -0.078 | -0.049 | 0         | 1     | 3.133     | -1.922 |
| PCDD005  | 4.563                                  | 0.109                      | 0.214  | 0.114  | 0         | 1     | 2.956     | -1.754 |
| PCDD006  | 5.584                                  | 0.109                      | -0.290 | -0.112 | 0         | 1     | 3.024     | -1.818 |
| PCDD007  | 5.671                                  | 0.043                      | -0.078 | -0.049 | 0         | 1     | 3.272     | -1.877 |
| PCDD008  | 5.564                                  | 0.047                      | -0.078 | -0.049 | 0         | 1     | 3.216     | -1.826 |
| PCDD009  | 5.276                                  | 0.119                      | -0.290 | -0.112 | 0         | 1     | 2.901     | -1.791 |
| PCDD010  | 5.177                                  | 0.066                      | 0.134  | 0.015  | 0         | 1     | 3.275     | -1.848 |
| PCDD011  | 5.913                                  | 0.063                      | 0.134  | 0.015  | 0         | 1     | 3.554     | -1.868 |
| PCDD013  | 5.295                                  | 0.036                      | -0.016 | -0.023 | 0         | 1     | 3.254     | -2.119 |
| PCDD015  | 5.881                                  | 0.050                      | -0.208 | -0.103 | 0         | 1     | 3.323     | -2.081 |
| PCDD016  | 6.176                                  | 0.028                      | -0.016 | -0.023 | 0         | 1     | 3.572     | -2.090 |
| PCDD017  | 6.088                                  | 0.031                      | -0.016 | -0.023 | 0         | 1     | 3.513     | -2.006 |
| PCDD018  | 5.599                                  | 0.058                      | -0.208 | -0.103 | 0         | 1     | 3.193     | -2.002 |
| PCDD023  | 6.112                                  | 0.025                      | -0.016 | -0.023 | 0         | 1     | 3.571     | -2.161 |

Table A1. Continued.

| Chemical | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.241$ ) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|----------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| PCDD024  | 5.680                                  | 0.048                      | -0.208 | -0.103 | 0         | 1     | 3.279     | -2.178 |
| PCDD025  | 5.322                                  | 0.055                      | 0.012  | 0.063  | 0         | 1     | 3.112     | -1.998 |
| PCDD027  | 6.235                                  | 0.031                      | -0.182 | -0.115 | 0         | 1     | 3.639     | -2.472 |
| PCDD028  | 6.149                                  | 0.031                      | -0.182 | -0.115 | 0         | 1     | 3.624     | -2.524 |
| PCDD029  | 5.913                                  | 0.035                      | -0.004 | 0.062  | 0         | 1     | 3.430     | -2.370 |
| PCDD030  | 5.702                                  | 0.093                      | 0.174  | 0.238  | 0         | 1     | 3.241     | -2.200 |
| PCDD031  | 5.718                                  | 0.040                      | -0.004 | 0.062  | 0         | 1     | 3.349     | -2.346 |
| PCDD032  | 5.670                                  | 0.041                      | -0.004 | 0.062  | 0         | 1     | 3.315     | -2.296 |
| PCDD033  | 6.177                                  | 0.052                      | 0.182  | 0.166  | 0         | 1     | 3.605     | -2.345 |
| PCDD034  | 6.161                                  | 0.052                      | 0.182  | 0.166  | 0         | 1     | 3.590     | -2.315 |
| PCDD036  | 6.283                                  | 0.032                      | -0.182 | -0.115 | 0         | 1     | 3.625     | -2.371 |
| PCDD037  | 6.179                                  | 0.051                      | 0.182  | 0.166  | 0         | 1     | 3.593     | -2.306 |
| PCDD038  | 6.154                                  | 0.031                      | -0.182 | -0.115 | 0         | 1     | 3.578     | -2.374 |
| PCDD039  | 5.933                                  | 0.034                      | -0.004 | 0.062  | 0         | 1     | 3.398     | -2.247 |
| PCDD041  | 5.866                                  | 0.033                      | -0.182 | -0.115 | 0         | 1     | 3.474     | -2.385 |
| PCDD042  | 6.364                                  | 0.023                      | 0.005  | -0.010 | 0         | 1     | 3.736     | -2.361 |
| PCDD043  | 6.330                                  | 0.023                      | 0.005  | -0.010 | 0         | 1     | 3.706     | -2.307 |
| PCDD044  | 5.712                                  | 0.035                      | -0.182 | -0.115 | 0         | 1     | 3.409     | -2.359 |
| PCDD047  | 6.365                                  | 0.033                      | -0.182 | -0.115 | 0         | 1     | 3.641     | -2.328 |
| PCDD048  | 6.969                                  | 0.064                      | 0.191  | 0.095  | 0         | 1     | 3.999     | -2.220 |
| PCDD049  | 6.318                                  | 0.034                      | -0.040 | 0.041  | 0         | 1     | 3.663     | -2.675 |
| PCDD050  | 6.301                                  | 0.034                      | -0.040 | 0.041  | 0         | 1     | 3.650     | -2.654 |
| PCDD051  | 6.254                                  | 0.090                      | 0.110  | 0.238  | 0         | 1     | 3.459     | -2.532 |
| PCDD052  | 6.331                                  | 0.038                      | -0.189 | -0.157 | 0         | 1     | 3.800     | -2.661 |

Table A1. Continued.

| Chemical | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.241$ ) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|----------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| PCDD054  | 6.874                                  | 0.030                      | -0.001 | -0.015 | 0         | 1     | 3.976     | -2.516 |
| PCDD055  | 6.365                                  | 0.030                      | -0.040 | 0.041  | 0         | 1     | 3.651     | -2.584 |
| PCDD056  | 6.166                                  | 0.034                      | -0.040 | 0.041  | 0         | 1     | 3.579     | -2.589 |
| PCDD057  | 6.338                                  | 0.027                      | -0.040 | 0.041  | 0         | 1     | 3.613     | -2.496 |
| PCDD058  | 5.801                                  | 0.046                      | -0.040 | 0.041  | 0         | 1     | 3.452     | -2.615 |
| PCDD060  | 6.394                                  | 0.037                      | -0.189 | -0.157 | 0         | 1     | 3.801     | -2.591 |
| PCDD062  | 6.269                                  | 0.035                      | -0.189 | -0.157 | 0         | 1     | 3.728     | -2.508 |
| PCDD063  | 6.815                                  | 0.098                      | 0.036  | 0.220  | 0         | 1     | 3.695     | -2.853 |
| PCDD064  | 6.812                                  | 0.096                      | 0.036  | 0.220  | 0         | 1     | 3.685     | -2.824 |
| PCDD065  | 6.347                                  | 0.045                      | -0.095 | -0.021 | 0         | 1     | 3.785     | -2.927 |
| PCDD066  | 7.192                                  | 0.055                      | 0.103  | 0.187  | 0         | 1     | 3.967     | -2.776 |
| PCDD067  | 6.515                                  | 0.035                      | -0.095 | -0.021 | 0         | 1     | 3.815     | -2.824 |
| PCDD068  | 6.530                                  | 0.109                      | 0.036  | 0.220  | 0         | 1     | 3.584     | -2.839 |
| PCDD070  | 6.325                                  | 0.076                      | -0.225 | -0.263 | 0         | 1     | 3.989     | -2.828 |
| PCDD071  | 6.402                                  | 0.035                      | -0.095 | -0.021 | 0         | 1     | 3.766     | -2.804 |
| PCDD072  | 6.243                                  | 0.074                      | -0.225 | -0.263 | 0         | 1     | 3.950     | -2.804 |
| PCDD073  | 6.997                                  | 0.108                      | -0.058 | 0.153  | 0         | 1     | 3.828     | -3.112 |
| PCDD074  | 6.150                                  | 0.074                      | -0.174 | -0.203 | 0         | 1     | 3.972     | -3.083 |
| PCDE047  | 4.394                                  | 0.091                      | -0.026 | -0.006 | 0         | 0     | 3.432     | -1.519 |
| PCDE066  | 4.025                                  | 0.075                      | -0.012 | -0.057 | 0         | 0     | 3.599     | -2.119 |
| PCDE077  | 4.152                                  | 0.108                      | 0.001  | -0.107 | 0         | 0     | 3.792     | -2.236 |
| PCDE085  | 4.159                                  | 0.096                      | -0.142 | -0.127 | 0         | 0     | 3.486     | -1.812 |
| PCDE099  | 4.011                                  | 0.085                      | 0.164  | 0.118  | 0         | 0     | 3.633     | -2.417 |
| PCDE101  | 4.624                                  | 0.092                      | 0.312  | 0.274  | 0         | 0     | 3.590     | -1.772 |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PCDE102</b>  | 3.801                                         | 0.071                                | -0.021        | 0.075         | 0                | 0            | 3.323            | -2.296        |
| <b>PCDE105</b>  | 3.874                                         | 0.105                                | -0.117        | -0.172        | 0                | 0            | 3.654            | -2.303        |
| <b>PCDE118</b>  | 4.060                                         | 0.109                                | -0.117        | -0.172        | 0                | 0            | 3.766            | -2.437        |
| <b>PCDE126</b>  | 4.655                                         | 0.171                                | -0.091        | -0.217        | 0                | 0            | 4.122            | -2.486        |
| <b>PCDE128</b>  | 3.765                                         | 0.159                                | -0.267        | -0.305        | 0                | 0            | 3.560            | -2.074        |
| <b>PCDE137</b>  | 3.956                                         | 0.099                                | 0.023         | -0.022        | 0                | 0            | 3.747            | -2.699        |
| <b>PCDE138</b>  | 4.288                                         | 0.070                                | 0.023         | -0.022        | 0                | 0            | 3.692            | -2.140        |
| <b>PCDE140</b>  | 4.104                                         | 0.141                                | -0.304        | -0.265        | 0                | 0            | 3.740            | -2.635        |
| <b>PCDE147</b>  | 4.495                                         | 0.054                                | 0.113         | 0.187         | 0                | 0            | 3.502            | -2.066        |
| <b>PCDE153</b>  | 4.987                                         | 0.089                                | 0.313         | 0.261         | 0                | 0            | 3.832            | -2.029        |
| <b>PCDE154</b>  | 3.972                                         | 0.093                                | -0.014        | 0.018         | 0                | 0            | 3.649            | -2.765        |
| <b>PCDE157</b>  | 3.710                                         | 0.204                                | -0.231        | -0.345        | 0                | 0            | 3.845            | -2.642        |
| <b>PCDE167</b>  | 4.306                                         | 0.125                                | 0.060         | -0.062        | 0                | 0            | 3.980            | -2.628        |
| <b>PCDE170</b>  | 3.573                                         | 0.183                                | -0.127        | -0.244        | 0                | 0            | 3.841            | -2.879        |
| <b>PCDE180</b>  | 4.448                                         | 0.120                                | 0.157         | 0.103         | 0                | 0            | 3.958            | -2.875        |
| <b>PCDE181</b>  | 4.329                                         | 0.063                                | 0.109         | 0.137         | 0                | 0            | 3.633            | -2.406        |
| <b>PCDE182</b>  | 3.633                                         | 0.160                                | -0.175        | -0.210        | 0                | 0            | 3.766            | -2.984        |
| <b>PCDE184</b>  | 3.954                                         | 0.097                                | -0.223        | -0.176        | 0                | 0            | 3.553            | -2.354        |
| <b>PCDE190</b>  | 4.026                                         | 0.134                                | 0.157         | 0.103         | 0                | 0            | 3.807            | -2.892        |
| <b>PCDE194</b>  | 3.539                                         | 0.198                                | -0.011        | -0.188        | 0                | 0            | 3.893            | -2.863        |
| <b>PCDE196</b>  | 3.569                                         | 0.189                                | -0.072        | -0.162        | 0                | 0            | 3.857            | -3.140        |
| <b>PCDE197</b>  | 3.837                                         | 0.094                                | -0.133        | -0.137        | 0                | 0            | 3.626            | -2.526        |
| <b>PCDE203</b>  | 5.094                                         | 0.100                                | 0.214         | 0.312         | 0                | 0            | 3.843            | -2.673        |

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| Chemical | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.241$ ) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|----------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| PCDE206  | 3.572                                  | 0.249                      | 0.013  | -0.119 | 0         | 0     | 3.984     | -3.384 |
| PCDF001  | 3.807                                  | 0.165                      | -0.351 | -0.345 | 0         | 1     | 2.605     | -1.547 |
| PCDF005  | 3.904                                  | 0.096                      | -0.140 | -0.249 | 0         | 1     | 2.879     | -1.862 |
| PCDF006  | 4.483                                  | 0.075                      | -0.206 | -0.231 | 0         | 1     | 2.988     | -1.933 |
| PCDF007  | 3.394                                  | 0.175                      | 0.135  | -0.151 | 0         | 1     | 2.853     | -1.667 |
| PCDF008  | 4.399                                  | 0.141                      | -0.351 | -0.367 | 0         | 1     | 2.909     | -1.684 |
| PCDF009  | 4.823                                  | 0.076                      | -0.206 | -0.231 | 0         | 1     | 3.081     | -1.830 |
| PCDF010  | 4.048                                  | 0.087                      | -0.140 | -0.249 | 0         | 1     | 2.961     | -1.950 |
| PCDF011  | 2.732                                  | 0.192                      | -0.010 | -0.287 | 0         | 1     | 2.675     | -1.780 |
| PCDF013  | 4.361                                  | 0.073                      | 0.005  | -0.113 | 0         | 1     | 3.023     | -1.883 |
| PCDF015  | 5.472                                  | 0.066                      | 0.150  | 0.023  | 0         | 1     | 3.403     | -1.878 |
| PCDF017  | 4.786                                  | 0.067                      | -0.061 | -0.095 | 0         | 1     | 2.994     | -1.700 |
| PCDF018  | 5.234                                  | 0.052                      | -0.061 | -0.095 | 0         | 1     | 3.191     | -1.796 |
| PCDF019  | 5.996                                  | 0.047                      | 0.084  | 0.041  | 0         | 1     | 3.455     | -1.836 |
| PCDF020  | 4.489                                  | 0.096                      | -0.206 | -0.231 | 0         | 1     | 2.903     | -1.661 |
| PCDF021  | 4.547                                  | 0.055                      | -0.124 | -0.152 | 0         | 1     | 3.082     | -2.221 |
| PCDF022  | 3.903                                  | 0.119                      | 0.135  | -0.076 | 0         | 1     | 3.037     | -2.070 |
| PCDF023  | 4.791                                  | 0.085                      | -0.260 | -0.313 | 0         | 1     | 3.203     | -2.034 |
| PCDF024  | 5.431                                  | 0.040                      | -0.124 | -0.152 | 0         | 1     | 3.368     | -2.089 |
| PCDF025  | 4.567                                  | 0.059                      | -0.088 | -0.184 | 0         | 1     | 3.229     | -2.311 |
| PCDF026  | 3.310                                  | 0.142                      | -0.002 | -0.237 | 0         | 1     | 2.927     | -2.139 |
| PCDF027  | 4.319                                  | 0.084                      | 0.100  | -0.045 | 0         | 1     | 3.066     | -2.010 |
| PCDF029  | 5.236                                  | 0.037                      | -0.124 | -0.152 | 0         | 1     | 3.358     | -2.283 |
| PCDF031  | 3.966                                  | 0.093                      | -0.037 | -0.205 | 0         | 1     | 3.071     | -2.168 |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PCDF032</b>  | 4.220                                         | 0.093                                | -0.037        | -0.205        | 0                | 1            | 3.065            | -1.855        |
| <b>PCDF033</b>  | 4.908                                         | 0.067                                | 0.100         | -0.045        | 0                | 1            | 3.280            | -1.996        |
| <b>PCDF034</b>  | 4.367                                         | 0.102                                | 0.135         | -0.076        | 0                | 1            | 3.221            | -2.107        |
| <b>PCDF035</b>  | 3.268                                         | 0.219                                | 0.221         | -0.129        | 0                | 1            | 2.961            | -1.883        |
| <b>PCDF037</b>  | 5.699                                         | 0.029                                | 0.013         | 0.008         | 0                | 1            | 3.401            | -2.149        |
| <b>PCDF038</b>  | 6.601                                         | 0.044                                | 0.150         | 0.168         | 0                | 1            | 3.634            | -2.100        |
| <b>PCDF040</b>  | 4.906                                         | 0.044                                | -0.124        | -0.152        | 0                | 1            | 3.209            | -2.200        |
| <b>PCDF041</b>  | 5.067                                         | 0.042                                | -0.124        | -0.152        | 0                | 1            | 3.247            | -2.133        |
| <b>PCDF042</b>  | 5.915                                         | 0.026                                | 0.013         | 0.008         | 0                | 1            | 3.490            | -2.178        |
| <b>PCDF043</b>  | 5.367                                         | 0.039                                | 0.048         | -0.023        | 0                | 1            | 3.437            | -2.314        |
| <b>PCDF044</b>  | 5.372                                         | 0.048                                | -0.159        | -0.121        | 0                | 1            | 3.199            | -1.963        |
| <b>PCDF045</b>  | 6.344                                         | 0.034                                | -0.022        | 0.039         | 0                | 1            | 3.485            | -1.998        |
| <b>PCDF047</b>  | 5.104                                         | 0.087                                | -0.296        | -0.282        | 0                | 1            | 3.174            | -1.919        |
| <b>PCDF048</b>  | 4.488                                         | 0.082                                | -0.260        | -0.313        | 0                | 1            | 3.135            | -2.174        |
| <b>PCDF050</b>  | 4.726                                         | 0.058                                | -0.066        | -0.175        | 0                | 1            | 3.326            | -2.380        |
| <b>PCDF051</b>  | 5.638                                         | 0.035                                | -0.125        | -0.102        | 0                | 1            | 3.534            | -2.651        |
| <b>PCDF052</b>  | 5.015                                         | 0.040                                | -0.080        | -0.127        | 0                | 1            | 3.283            | -2.244        |
| <b>PCDF053</b>  | 4.687                                         | 0.057                                | -0.066        | -0.175        | 0                | 1            | 3.283            | -2.291        |
| <b>PCDF054</b>  | 6.280                                         | 0.027                                | -0.139        | -0.053        | 0                | 1            | 3.612            | -2.485        |
| <b>PCDF055</b>  | 5.993                                         | 0.030                                | 0.057         | 0.070         | 0                | 1            | 3.507            | -2.286        |
| <b>PCDF056</b>  | 5.567                                         | 0.037                                | 0.071         | 0.021         | 0                | 1            | 3.476            | -2.345        |
| <b>PCDF057</b>  | 4.864                                         | 0.072                                | 0.086         | -0.027        | 0                | 1            | 3.390            | -2.556        |
| <b>PCDF059</b>  | 5.228                                         | 0.039                                | -0.080        | -0.127        | 0                | 1            | 3.446            | -2.505        |
| <b>PCDF060</b>  | 6.117                                         | 0.058                                | -0.291        | -0.201        | 0                | 1            | 3.535            | -2.299        |



Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PCDF061</b>  | 4.986                                         | 0.071                                | -0.262        | -0.299        | 0                | 1            | 3.419            | -2.569        |
| <b>PCDF062</b>  | 5.246                                         | 0.038                                | -0.080        | -0.127        | 0                | 1            | 3.334            | -2.137        |
| <b>PCDF063</b>  | 5.437                                         | 0.042                                | 0.071         | 0.021         | 0                | 1            | 3.447            | -2.405        |
| <b>PCDF064</b>  | 4.531                                         | 0.092                                | 0.131         | -0.052        | 0                | 1            | 3.299            | -2.313        |
| <b>PCDF066</b>  | 5.053                                         | 0.061                                | -0.276        | -0.250        | 0                | 1            | 3.274            | -2.378        |
| <b>PCDF067</b>  | 6.180                                         | 0.028                                | -0.139        | -0.053        | 0                | 1            | 3.541            | -2.381        |
| <b>PCDF068</b>  | 4.645                                         | 0.073                                | 0.071         | 0.021         | 0                | 1            | 3.146            | -2.386        |
| <b>PCDF069</b>  | 5.458                                         | 0.038                                | -0.125        | -0.102        | 0                | 1            | 3.457            | -2.619        |
| <b>PCDF070</b>  | 3.896                                         | 0.210                                | 0.341         | 0.023         | 0                | 1            | 3.148            | -2.040        |
| <b>PCDF073</b>  | 5.685                                         | 0.029                                | -0.125        | -0.102        | 0                | 1            | 3.506            | -2.509        |
| <b>PCDF074</b>  | 4.314                                         | 0.097                                | 0.131         | -0.052        | 0                | 1            | 3.189            | -2.222        |
| <b>PCDF075</b>  | 5.774                                         | 0.062                                | -0.276        | -0.250        | 0                | 1            | 3.489            | -2.212        |
| <b>PCDF076</b>  | 3.742                                         | 0.147                                | 0.145         | -0.101        | 0                | 1            | 3.120            | -2.331        |
| <b>PCDF078</b>  | 4.672                                         | 0.062                                | -0.066        | -0.175        | 0                | 1            | 3.336            | -2.475        |
| <b>PCDF082</b>  | 6.555                                         | 0.044                                | -0.154        | -0.004        | 0                | 1            | 3.518            | -2.217        |
| <b>PCDF083</b>  | 7.131                                         | 0.044                                | -0.003        | 0.144         | 0                | 1            | 3.714            | -2.301        |
| <b>PCDF084</b>  | 4.050                                         | 0.131                                | 0.145         | -0.101        | 0                | 1            | 3.217            | -2.278        |
| <b>PCDF085</b>  | 4.183                                         | 0.081                                | -0.066        | -0.175        | 0                | 1            | 3.163            | -2.502        |
| <b>PCDF086</b>  | 3.923                                         | 0.109                                | -0.051        | -0.224        | 0                | 1            | 3.189            | -2.543        |
| <b>PCDF087</b>  | 5.631                                         | 0.039                                | -0.141        | -0.118        | 0                | 1            | 3.558            | -2.717        |
| <b>PCDF090</b>  | 5.631                                         | 0.039                                | -0.141        | -0.118        | 0                | 1            | 3.558            | -2.717        |
| <b>PCDF092</b>  | 5.464                                         | 0.039                                | -0.141        | -0.118        | 0                | 1            | 3.470            | -2.635        |
| <b>PCDF094</b>  | 5.633                                         | 0.080                                | -0.323        | -0.268        | 0                | 1            | 3.628            | -2.922        |
| <b>PCDF096</b>  | 5.670                                         | 0.042                                | 0.042         | 0.032         | 0                | 1            | 3.534            | -2.602        |

Table A1. Continued.

| Chemical | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.4.1 | HAT i/i<br>( <i>h</i> *=0.241) | MATS5m | MATS5v | F09[C-Br] | M_RNG | RgGrav_3D | Mor03v |
|----------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| PCDF097  | 5.028                                  | 0.096                          | 0.222  | 0.108  | 0         | 1     | 3.366     | -2.425 |
| PCDF099  | 5.247                                  | 0.046                          | -0.141 | -0.118 | 0         | 1     | 3.396     | -2.656 |
| PCDF100  | 5.819                                  | 0.029                          | -0.141 | -0.118 | 0         | 1     | 3.565     | -2.520 |
| PCDF101  | 6.511                                  | 0.061                          | -0.181 | -0.013 | 0         | 1     | 3.690     | -2.877 |
| PCDF102  | 6.505                                  | 0.054                          | 0.002  | 0.138  | 0         | 1     | 3.599     | -2.611 |
| PCDF105  | 5.688                                  | 0.069                          | -0.323 | -0.268 | 0         | 1     | 3.585     | -2.724 |
| PCDF106  | 6.460                                  | 0.064                          | -0.321 | -0.193 | 0         | 1     | 3.690     | -2.568 |
| PCDF108  | 5.163                                  | 0.053                          | 0.040  | -0.043 | 0         | 1     | 3.466     | -2.566 |
| PCDF109  | 7.135                                  | 0.075                          | -0.179 | 0.062  | 0         | 1     | 3.704     | -2.607 |
| PCDF110  | 4.929                                  | 0.069                          | 0.040  | -0.043 | 0         | 1     | 3.417     | -2.685 |
| PCDF111  | 4.401                                  | 0.108                          | 0.038  | -0.118 | 0         | 1     | 3.381     | -2.774 |
| PCDF113  | 4.527                                  | 0.085                          | 0.040  | -0.043 | 0         | 1     | 3.256     | -2.648 |
| PCDF114  | 4.851                                  | 0.074                          | -0.143 | -0.193 | 0         | 1     | 3.444     | -2.853 |
| PCDF114  | 6.239                                  | 0.065                          | -0.321 | -0.193 | 0         | 1     | 3.653     | -2.708 |
| PCDF115  | 5.633                                  | 0.091                          | -0.251 | -0.182 | 0         | 1     | 3.661     | -3.179 |
| PCDF116  | 6.554                                  | 0.067                          | -0.234 | -0.059 | 0         | 1     | 3.725     | -2.922 |
| PCDF118  | 6.407                                  | 0.092                          | 0.103  | 0.226  | 0         | 1     | 3.600     | -2.757 |
| PCDF119  | 5.702                                  | 0.077                          | 0.086  | 0.102  | 0         | 1     | 3.567     | -2.856 |
| PCDF120  | 4.855                                  | 0.122                          | 0.069  | -0.021 | 0         | 1     | 3.513     | -3.060 |
| PCDF121  | 6.562                                  | 0.062                          | -0.234 | -0.059 | 0         | 1     | 3.700     | -2.833 |
| PCDF122  | 6.042                                  | 0.107                          | -0.240 | -0.121 | 0         | 1     | 3.772     | -3.341 |
| PCDF124  | 5.987                                  | 0.067                          | -0.074 | 0.022  | 0         | 1     | 3.620     | -2.972 |
| PCDF125  | 5.387                                  | 0.097                          | 0.086  | 0.102  | 0         | 1     | 3.460     | -2.888 |
| PCDF126  | 6.184                                  | 0.055                          | -0.074 | 0.022  | 0         | 1     | 3.676     | -2.921 |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Chemical</b> | <b>Pred. pIC<sub>50</sub><br/>from Eq.4.1</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(<i>h</i>*=0.241)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PCDF127</b>  | 5.289                                         | 0.087                                | -0.091        | -0.101        | 0                | 1            | 3.605            | -3.125        |
| <b>PCDF129</b>  | 5.189                                         | 0.080                                | -0.091        | -0.101        | 0                | 1            | 3.538            | -3.035        |
| <b>PCDF130</b>  | 5.780                                         | 0.080                                | -0.251        | -0.182        | 0                | 1            | 3.696            | -3.116        |
| <b>PCDF131</b>  | 6.355                                         | 0.129                                | -0.387        | -0.221        | 0                | 1            | 3.850            | -3.331        |
| <b>PCDF132</b>  | 6.996                                         | 0.175                                | -0.061        | 0.225         | 0                | 1            | 3.711            | -3.164        |
| <b>PCDF133</b>  | 5.640                                         | 0.125                                | -0.094        | -0.020        | 0                | 1            | 3.663            | -3.367        |
| <b>PCDF135</b>  | 5.461                                         | 0.169                                | -0.292        | -0.264        | 0                | 1            | 3.828            | -3.626        |
| <b>PCDT000</b>  | 4.643                                         | 0.207                                | -0.153        | 0.083         | 0                | 1            | 2.492            | -1.713        |
| <b>PCDT002</b>  | 3.176                                         | 0.187                                | -0.040        | -0.340        | 0                | 1            | 2.974            | -2.039        |
| <b>PCDT007</b>  | 1.907                                         | 0.481                                | 0.338         | -0.214        | 0                | 1            | 2.873            | -2.178        |
| <b>PCDT046</b>  | 4.336                                         | 0.098                                | -0.133        | -0.288        | 0                | 1            | 3.354            | -2.594        |
| <b>PCDT076</b>  | 4.166                                         | 0.155                                | 0.053         | -0.186        | 0                | 1            | 3.456            | -2.834        |
| <b>PCDT104</b>  | 5.914                                         | 0.051                                | -0.132        | -0.043        | 0                | 1            | 3.586            | -2.855        |
| <b>PCDT125</b>  | 4.559                                         | 0.188                                | -0.078        | -0.215        | 0                | 1            | 3.663            | -3.456        |
| <b>PCDT132</b>  | 4.966                                         | 0.208                                | -0.161        | -0.145        | 0                | 1            | 3.652            | -3.719        |
| <b>PCDT135</b>  | 6.772                                         | 0.359                                | -0.306        | 0.066         | 0                | 1            | 3.819            | -3.986        |
| <b>PCPhX000</b> | 4.871                                         | 0.162                                | -0.207        | 0.007         | 0                | 1            | 2.640            | -1.732        |
| <b>PCPhX003</b> | 3.173                                         | 0.279                                | 0.215         | -0.211        | 0                | 1            | 3.110            | -2.027        |
| <b>PCPhX010</b> | 4.674                                         | 0.170                                | 0.157         | -0.168        | 0                | 1            | 3.567            | -2.215        |
| <b>PCPhX095</b> | 7.164                                         | 0.146                                | -0.350        | -0.017        | 0                | 1            | 3.676            | -2.824        |
| <b>PCPhX128</b> | 6.619                                         | 0.059                                | -0.165        | -0.029        | 0                | 1            | 3.825            | -3.009        |
| <b>PCPhX133</b> | 5.110                                         | 0.243                                | 0.032         | -0.067        | 0                | 1            | 3.868            | -3.783        |
| <b>PCPhX135</b> | 5.366                                         | 0.235                                | -0.084        | -0.169        | 0                | 1            | 4.008            | -3.883        |
| <b>PCTA001</b>  | 2.772                                         | 0.184                                | -0.067        | -0.315        | 0                | 1            | 2.842            | -2.357        |

Table A1. Continued.

| <b>Name</b>                 | <b>Pred. by<br/>model<br/>eq.</b> | <b>HAT i/i<br/>(h*=0.2414)</b> | <b>MATS5m</b> | <b>MATS5v</b> | <b>F09[C-<br/>Br]</b> | <b>M_RNG</b> | <b>RgGrav_3D</b> | <b>Mor03v</b> |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>PCTA004</b>              | 3.179                             | 0.210                          | -0.051        | -0.343        | 0                     | 1            | 3.171            | -2.684        |
| <b>PCTA015</b>              | 4.388                             | 0.104                          | -0.151        | -0.232        | 0                     | 1            | 3.356            | -2.935        |
| <b>PCTA047</b>              | 3.187                             | 0.453                          | 0.161         | -0.333        | 0                     | 1            | 3.613            | -3.142        |
| <b>PCTA055</b>              | 6.691                             | 0.202                          | -0.284        | 0.007         | 0                     | 1            | 3.788            | -3.555        |
| <b>PCTA069</b>              | 5.077                             | 0.239                          | -0.141        | -0.173        | 0                     | 1            | 3.825            | -3.884        |
| <b>PCTA073</b>              | 5.906                             | 0.273                          | -0.225        | -0.110        | 0                     | 1            | 3.974            | -4.122        |
| <b>PCTA075</b>              | 6.136                             | 0.457                          | -0.219        | 0.015         | 0                     | 1            | 3.979            | -4.541        |
| <b>Pentamethylantracene</b> | 2.326                             | 0.165                          | -0.277        | -0.277        | 0                     | 0            | 3.042            | -2.328        |
| <b>Phenanthrene</b>         | 1.699                             | 0.168                          | -0.139        | -0.139        | 0                     | 0            | 2.560            | -1.696        |
| <b>Quinoline</b>            | 2.911                             | 0.249                          | -0.140        | -0.125        | 0                     | 1            | 2.019            | -1.025        |
| <b>Tetramethylantracene</b> | 2.820                             | 0.095                          | -0.030        | -0.030        | 0                     | 0            | 3.041            | -2.009        |
| <b>Tjipanazole</b>          | 6.480                             | 0.057                          | 0.146         | 0.083         | 0                     | 1            | 3.943            | -2.748        |

## APPENDIX A2

**Table A2.** Hat, descriptor and predicted pIC<sub>50</sub> values from the TCDF-based model Equation 4.2 for external set chemicals

| Name                            | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.<br>4.2 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.329$ ) | RFD   | MATS5s | Tm     | nHAcc | B04[O-<br>Cl] | F04[Cl-<br>Cl] | LOC   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpBDF             | 9.816                                      | 0.130                      | 0.308 | -0.053 | 18.554 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxBDD               | 9.501                                      | 0.137                      | 0.286 | 0.485  | 20.343 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.737 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxBDF               | 9.365                                      | 0.094                      | 0.308 | 0.244  | 18.529 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxBDD               | 9.820                                      | 0.136                      | 0.286 | 0.27   | 20.354 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.737 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxBDD               | 9.888                                      | 0.148                      | 0.286 | 0.177  | 20.25  | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.737 |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeBDD                 | 9.966                                      | 0.138                      | 0.286 | 0.383  | 20.827 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.73  |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeBDF                 | 9.601                                      | 0.105                      | 0.308 | 0.048  | 18.444 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| 1,2,6,9-tetramethylphenanthrene | 5.019                                      | 0.127                      | 0.286 | -0.008 | 10.195 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.714 |
| 1,2,6-trimethylphenanthrene     | 4.787                                      | 0.135                      | 0.286 | 0.045  | 9.883  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.682 |
| 1,2,9-trimethylphenanthrene     | 4.469                                      | 0.140                      | 0.286 | -0.028 | 9.216  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.682 |
| 1,2-dimethylphenanthrene        | 4.285                                      | 0.137                      | 0.286 | -0.012 | 8.84   | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.625 |
| 1,3,6-trimethylchrysene         | 7.059                                      | 0.098                      | 0.333 | -0.209 | 12.474 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.61  |
| 1-bromo-2methylnaphthalene      | 2.952                                      | 0.190                      | 0.2   | -0.186 | 7.029  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.73  |
| 1-bromo-4-methylnaphthalene     | 3.997                                      | 0.133                      | 0.2   | -0.124 | 8.815  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.73  |
| 1-methylbenz[a]anthracene       | 6.050                                      | 0.083                      | 0.333 | -0.116 | 10.749 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.447 |
| 1-methylchrysene                | 6.311                                      | 0.081                      | 0.333 | -0.149 | 11.085 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.447 |
| 1-methylnaphthalene             | 1.990                                      | 0.237                      | 0.2   | -0.281 | 5.081  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.629 |

Table A2. Continued.

| Name                            | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.<br>4.2 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.329$ ) | RFD   | MATS5s | Tm     | nHAcc | B04[O-<br>Cl] | F04[Cl-<br>Cl] | LOC   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| 2,2,3,3-tetrachloroDPS          | 4.089                                      | 0.221                      | 0     | -0.315 | 9.597  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| 2,2',3,4,5-pentaCDPS            | 4.901                                      | 0.106                      | 0     | -0.01  | 12.441 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.745 |
| 2,2,3-trichloroDPS              | 3.852                                      | 0.203                      | 0     | -0.211 | 9.399  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| 2,2,4,4',5pentaCDPS             | 4.805                                      | 0.130                      | 0     | 0.108  | 13.403 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.745 |
| 2,2,4,5-tetrachloroDPS          | 4.306                                      | 0.137                      | 0     | 0.132  | 11.801 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.732 |
| 2,3,3',4,4',5,6-heptaCDPS       | 4.745                                      | 0.326                      | 0     | 0.149  | 15.089 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.746 |
| 2,3,3',4,5,6-hexaCDPS           | 3.950                                      | 0.353                      | 0     | 0.177  | 13.908 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.749 |
| 2,3,3-trichloroDPS              | 5.160                                      | 0.175                      | 0     | -0.207 | 11.467 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| 2,3,4,4',5,6-hexaCDPS           | 4.078                                      | 0.408                      | 0     | 0.292  | 14.371 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.749 |
| 2,3,4,5,6-pentaCPDS             | 3.134                                      | 0.466                      | 0     | 0.332  | 12.968 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.745 |
| 2,3,4,5-tetrachloroDPS          | 6.052                                      | 0.110                      | 0     | 0.145  | 14.58  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.732 |
| 2,3,4,6-TeCDE                   | 5.167                                      | 0.237                      | 0     | -0.055 | 11.472 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeBDF                 | 9.862                                      | 0.110                      | 0.308 | 0.293  | 19.414 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| 2,3,7,8-TeBDF                   | 9.878                                      | 0.112                      | 0.308 | 0.32   | 19.474 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| 2,3-dichloro-DPS                | 3.423                                      | 0.206                      | 0     | -0.098 | 8.864  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| 2,4,4,5-tetrachloroDPS          | 5.759                                      | 0.138                      | 0     | 0.268  | 14.399 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.732 |
| 2,4,5-trichloroDPS              | 5.122                                      | 0.189                      | 0     | 0.31   | 12.587 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| 2,4,6-trichloroDPS              | 3.897                                      | 0.133                      | 0     | 0.004  | 10.803 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.703 |
| 2,4,7-trimethyldibenzothiophene | 4.858                                      | 0.190                      | 0.308 | -0.456 | 8.778  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| 2,4-dimethyldibenzothiophene    | 4.706                                      | 0.192                      | 0.308 | -0.499 | 8.323  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |

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|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| 2-methyl-BDE068           | 7.757                                      | 0.481                          | 0     | -0.283 | 17.836 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.954 |
| 2-methyl-BDE123           | 8.660                                      | 0.415                          | 0     | -0.118 | 19.632 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.953 |
| 2-methyl-dibenzothiophene | 3.842                                      | 0.166                          | 0.308 | 0.036  | 7.961  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.544 |
| 2-methylnaphthalene       | 1.998                                      | 0.239                          | 0.2   | -0.038 | 5.648  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.629 |
| 2-methyl-phenanthrene     | 4.222                                      | 0.117                          | 0.286 | -0.11  | 8.295  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.521 |
| 2-OH-BDE007               | 4.608                                      | 0.339                          | 0     | -0.022 | 12.937 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| 2-OH-BDE028               | 7.817                                      | 0.329                          | 0     | 0.015  | 18.135 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| 2-OHBDE-066               | 8.568                                      | 0.375                          | 0     | -0.041 | 19.218 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| 2-OH-BDE068               | 7.549                                      | 0.290                          | 0     | 0.121  | 17.984 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| 2-OH-BDE123               | 8.616                                      | 0.310                          | 0     | 0.153  | 19.745 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| 2'-OH-CB005               | 2.836                                      | 0.273                          | 0     | -0.02  | 9.241  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| 2'-OH-CB009               | 2.537                                      | 0.287                          | 0     | 0.151  | 9.161  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| 2'-OH-CB012               | 4.775                                      | 0.237                          | 0     | -0.177 | 11.935 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| 2-OHCB025                 | 3.668                                      | 0.175                          | 0     | -0.035 | 11.412 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| 2-OH-CB030                | 1.334                                      | 0.358                          | 0     | 0.147  | 9.839  | 1     | 0             | 3              | 0.75  |
| 2-OH-CB035                | 5.458                                      | 0.233                          | 0     | -0.191 | 13.032 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| 2-OH-CB036                | 4.079                                      | 0.158                          | 0     | 0.035  | 12.22  | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| 2-OH-CB036                | 4.493                                      | 0.197                          | 0     | -0.262 | 12.194 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| 2-OH-CB039                | 4.537                                      | 0.145                          | 0     | 0.104  | 13.098 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| 2-OH-CB056                | 6.426                                      | 0.360                          | 0     | -0.178 | 12.39  | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.76  |
| 2-OH-CB061                | 3.820                                      | 0.161                          | 0     | 0.009  | 12.617 | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| 2-OH-CB079                | 5.194                                      | 0.134                          | 0     | 0.018  | 13.958 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.76  |
| 2-OH-CB080                | 4.322                                      | 0.149                          | 0     | -0.056 | 13.258 | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| 3,3-diindoymethane        | 6.983                                      | 0.223                          | 0.222 | 0.039  | 12.208 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |

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|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| <b>3,4-dichloroDPS</b>               | 5.224                                   | 0.156                          | 0     | -0.055 | 11.797 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| <b>3-methyl-BDE100</b>               | 5.750                                   | 0.340                          | 0     | -0.032 | 15.247 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.953 |
| <b>3-methylbenz[a]anthracene</b>     | 6.759                                   | 0.080                          | 0.333 | 0      | 12.13  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.447 |
| <b>3-methylchrysene</b>              | 6.365                                   | 0.081                          | 0.333 | -0.033 | 11.435 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.447 |
| <b>3-methyldibenzo[ah]anthracene</b> | 9.531                                   | 0.141                          | 0.364 | -0.036 | 16.131 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.393 |
| <b>3-methylphenanthrene</b>          | 3.852                                   | 0.146                          | 0.286 | 0.012  | 7.991  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.521 |
| <b>3-OH-BDE007</b>                   | 5.604                                   | 0.353                          | 0     | -0.103 | 14.321 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| <b>3-OH-BDE028</b>                   | 7.260                                   | 0.329                          | 0     | -0.018 | 17.183 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| <b>3-OH-BDE047</b>                   | 5.906                                   | 0.338                          | 0     | -0.073 | 14.954 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| <b>3-OH-BDE100</b>                   | 5.556                                   | 0.285                          | 0     | 0.126  | 14.866 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>3-OH-BDE154</b>                   | 6.786                                   | 0.273                          | 0     | 0.157  | 16.866 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| <b>3-OH-CB009</b>                    | 3.270                                   | 0.247                          | 0     | 0.03   | 10.038 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| <b>3-OH-CB028</b>                    | 4.604                                   | 0.154                          | 0     | -0.076 | 12.792 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| <b>3-OH-CB030</b>                    | 2.496                                   | 0.259                          | 0     | -0.309 | 10.628 | 1     | 0             | 3              | 0.75  |
| <b>3-OH-CB031</b>                    | 3.270                                   | 0.247                          | 0     | 0.03   | 10.038 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| <b>3-OH-CB061</b>                    | 4.438                                   | 0.145                          | 0     | -0.03  | 13.501 | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| <b>3-OH-CB065</b>                    | 3.046                                   | 0.189                          | 0     | -0.074 | 11.209 | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| <b>3-OH-CB066</b>                    | 5.323                                   | 0.154                          | 0     | -0.134 | 13.813 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.76  |
| <b>3-OH-CB068</b>                    | 4.403                                   | 0.164                          | 0     | -0.203 | 13.051 | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| <b>4,4-dichloroDPS</b>               | 6.201                                   | 0.147                          | 0     | 0.102  | 13.693 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| <b>4'-acetyl-PCB061</b>              | 6.883                                   | 0.147                          | 0     | -0.005 | 17.861 | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.972 |
| <b>4'-bromo-PCB061</b>               | 6.690                                   | 0.121                          | 0     | 0.096  | 16.375 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| <b>4'-cyano-PCB061</b>               | 5.101                                   | 0.158                          | 0     | -0.096 | 14.858 | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.977 |
| <b>4'-ethyl-PCB061</b>               | 7.269                                   | 0.150                          | 0     | 0.191  | 17.968 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.977 |



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| 4'-fluoro-PCB061    | 4.233                                   | 0.151                          | 0   | 0.04   | 13.338 | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| 4-hydroxy-BDE017    | 5.279                                   | 0.274                          | 0   | 0.266  | 14.713 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| 4-hydroxy-BDE042    | 5.867                                   | 0.267                          | 0   | 0.22   | 15.562 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| 4-hydroxy-BDE049    | 6.223                                   | 0.257                          | 0   | 0.307  | 16.321 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| 4-hydroxy-BDE090    | 6.614                                   | 0.258                          | 0   | 0.26   | 16.837 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| 4-hydroxy-CB001     | 2.377                                   | 0.300                          | 0   | -0.039 | 8.364  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.673 |
| 4-hydroxy-CB002     | 3.432                                   | 0.238                          | 0   | 0.065  | 10.261 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.673 |
| 4-hydroxy-CB009     | 3.388                                   | 0.238                          | 0   | 0.137  | 10.468 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| 4-hydroxy-CB014     | 3.630                                   | 0.174                          | 0   | 0.062  | 11.521 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| 4-hydroxy-CB020     | 4.380                                   | 0.224                          | 0   | -0.095 | 11.554 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| 4-hydroxy-CB025     | 4.418                                   | 0.156                          | 0   | -0.068 | 12.518 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| 4-hydroxy-CB026     | 5.607                                   | 0.318                          | 0   | 0.01   | 11.508 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.75  |
| 4-hydroxy-CB031     | 6.109                                   | 0.306                          | 0   | 0.074  | 12.444 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.75  |
| 4-hydroxy-CB033     | 6.613                                   | 0.346                          | 0   | -0.123 | 12.789 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.75  |
| 4-hydroxy-CB035     | 5.892                                   | 0.170                          | 0   | 0.078  | 14.329 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| 4-hydroxy-CB036     | 4.829                                   | 0.138                          | 0   | 0.051  | 13.436 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| 4-hydroxy-CB070     | 6.904                                   | 0.315                          | 0   | 0.009  | 13.569 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.76  |
| 4-hydroxy-CB079     | 5.735                                   | 0.126                          | 0   | 0.063  | 14.911 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.76  |
| 4-hydroxy-CB106     | 5.026                                   | 0.136                          | 0   | 0.029  | 14.56  | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| 4'-hydroxy-PCB061   | 4.538                                   | 0.148                          | 0   | 0.097  | 13.947 | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| 4'-iodo-PCB061      | 8.062                                   | 0.152                          | 0   | 0.101  | 18.546 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| 4'-isopropyl-PCB061 | 8.679                                   | 0.180                          | 0   | 0.171  | 20.131 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.972 |
| 4-methoxy-BDE017    | 6.691                                   | 0.258                          | 0   | 0.358  | 17.604 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.946 |
| 4-methoxy-BDE049    | 6.919                                   | 0.266                          | 0   | 0.25   | 17.734 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.954 |
| 4-methoxy-BDE090    | 6.091                                   | 0.329                          | 0   | -0.008 | 15.839 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.953 |

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| <b>4'-methoxy-PCB061</b>         | 5.919                                         | 0.146                 | 0     | 0.161  | 16.732 | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.977 |
| <b>4-methylbenz[a]anthracene</b> | 6.461                                         | 0.080                 | 0.333 | -0.031 | 11.59  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.447 |
| <b>4'-methyl-PCB061</b>          | 5.950                                         | 0.142                 | 0     | 0.208  | 15.466 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| <b>4-N-acetylamino</b>           | 7.810                                         | 0.334                 | 0     | -0.033 | 20.636 | 2     | 0             | 2              | 1.169 |
| <b>4'-n-butyl-PCB061</b>         | 11.086                                        | 0.399                 | 0     | 0.196  | 24.817 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 1.364 |
| <b>4'-nitro-PCB061</b>           | 5.290                                         | 0.316                 | 0     | -0.196 | 15.875 | 2     | 0             | 2              | 0.972 |
| <b>4'-phenyl-PCB061</b>          | 11.269                                        | 0.372                 | 0     | 0.121  | 23.404 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.65  |
| <b>4'-tributyl-PCB061</b>        | 9.776                                         | 0.226                 | 0     | 0.151  | 21.791 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.962 |
| <b>4'-trifluoromethyl-PCB061</b> | 5.539                                         | 0.569                 | 0     | -0.235 | 17.115 | 3     | 0             | 2              | 0.962 |
| <b>5-chloro-6-hydroxy-BDE047</b> | 8.614                                         | 0.473                 | 0     | -0.052 | 17.057 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>5-chloro-6-methoxy-BDE047</b> | 7.862                                         | 0.484                 | 0     | -0.197 | 15.979 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.953 |
| <b>5-methoxy-BDE047</b>          | 6.470                                         | 0.267                 | 0     | 0.26   | 17.049 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.954 |
| <b>5-OH-BDE047</b>               | 5.800                                         | 0.272                 | 0     | 0.185  | 15.376 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| <b>5-OH-CB002</b>                | 4.770                                         | 0.354                 | 0     | -0.027 | 9.942  | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.673 |
| <b>5-OH-CB0025</b>               | 3.879                                         | 0.167                 | 0     | 0.128  | 12.117 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| <b>5-OH-CB033</b>                | 6.159                                         | 0.448                 | 0     | -0.382 | 11.482 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>5-OH-CB034</b>                | 3.610                                         | 0.175                 | 0     | 0.066  | 11.551 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| <b>5-OH-CB066</b>                | 5.087                                         | 0.133                 | 0     | 0.115  | 14.011 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.76  |
| <b>5-OH-CB066</b>                | 6.875                                         | 0.279                 | 0     | -0.235 | 13.809 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.76  |
| <b>5-OH-CB068</b>                | 4.145                                         | 0.154                 | 0     | 0.045  | 13.21  | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| <b>6-chloro-2-hydroxy-BDE007</b> | 7.073                                         | 0.489                 | 0     | -0.177 | 14.31  | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |
| <b>6-chloro-2-hydroxy-BDE068</b> | 8.647                                         | 0.435                 | 0     | 0.052  | 17.346 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>6-chloro-2-methoxy-BDE068</b> | 8.593                                         | 0.466                 | 0     | -0.118 | 17.31  | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.953 |

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| <b>6-ethylchrysene</b>                     | 6.071                                   | 0.108                          | 0.333 | -0.131 | 11.178 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| <b>6-formylindolo[3,2-<br/>b]carbazole</b> | 6.771                                   | 0.100                          | 0.4   | 0.051  | 13.212 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.608 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE017</b>                    | 5.343                                   | 0.359                          | 0     | -0.118 | 13.937 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE047</b>                    | 7.030                                   | 0.309                          | 0     | 0.031  | 16.934 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE082</b>                    | 7.189                                   | 0.335                          | 0     | -0.04  | 17.058 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE085</b>                    | 7.160                                   | 0.290                          | 0     | 0.098  | 17.327 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE087</b>                    | 7.484                                   | 0.319                          | 0     | 0.018  | 17.654 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE090</b>                    | 6.720                                   | 0.287                          | 0     | 0.095  | 16.628 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE099</b>                    | 7.071                                   | 0.265                          | 0     | 0.217  | 17.459 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE137</b>                    | 7.697                                   | 0.293                          | 0     | 0.12   | 18.217 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE140</b>                    | 6.245                                   | 0.323                          | 0     | -0.033 | 15.581 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-BDE157</b>                    | 8.324                                   | 0.314                          | 0     | 0.104  | 19.167 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB026</b>                     | 5.414                                   | 0.390                          | 0     | -0.257 | 10.595 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB031</b>                     | 5.494                                   | 0.314                          | 0     | 0.057  | 11.437 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB035</b>                     | 5.181                                   | 0.181                          | 0     | 0.063  | 13.175 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB036</b>                     | 4.247                                   | 0.155                          | 0     | -0.008 | 12.386 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB058</b>                     | 5.731                                   | 0.282                          | 0     | -0.284 | 11.897 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.76  |
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB070</b>                     | 6.595                                   | 0.397                          | 0     | -0.269 | 12.448 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.76  |
| <b>6-hydroxy-CB106</b>                     | 4.204                                   | 0.162                          | 0     | 0.144  | 13.529 | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| <b>6-methoxy-BDE017</b>                    | 5.898                                   | 0.390                          | 0     | -0.159 | 15.176 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.946 |
| <b>6-methoxy-BDE085</b>                    | 6.346                                   | 0.290                          | 0     | 0.123  | 16.539 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.953 |
| <b>6-methoxy-BDE090</b>                    | 6.256                                   | 0.404                          | 0     | -0.186 | 15.693 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.953 |
| <b>6-methoxy-BDE137</b>                    | 7.218                                   | 0.338                          | 0     | -0.028 | 17.555 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.947 |
| <b>7-methylbenz[a]anthracene</b>           | 6.066                                   | 0.083                          | 0.333 | -0.142 | 10.715 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.447 |

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| <b>8,9,11-</b>                    |                                               |                                |       |        |        |       |               |                |       |
| <b>trimethylbenz[a]anthracene</b> | 7.115                                         | 0.089                          | 0.333 | -0.055 | 12.914 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.61  |
| <b>9-methylbenz[a]anthracene</b>  | 6.803                                         | 0.080                          | 0.333 | 0      | 12.199 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.447 |
| <b>Acridine</b>                   | 3.740                                         | 0.217                          | 0.286 | -0.073 | 7.463  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Anthracene</b>                 | 4.168                                         | 0.250                          | 0.286 | 0.125  | 7.631  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Benz[a]acridine</b>            | 5.712                                         | 0.161                          | 0.333 | -0.028 | 10.42  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Benz[b]anthracene</b>          | 6.965                                         | 0.206                          | 0.333 | 0.116  | 11.762 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Benz[c]acridine</b>            | 5.763                                         | 0.167                          | 0.333 | -0.131 | 10.265 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Carbazole</b>                  | 3.217                                         | 0.248                          | 0.308 | -0.258 | 6.1    | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Chrysene</b>                   | 6.307                                         | 0.177                          | 0.333 | -0.134 | 10.156 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Decamethylanthracene</b>       | 6.885                                         | 0.087                          | 0.286 | -0.115 | 12.895 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.717 |
| <b>Dibenz[a,c]acridine</b>        | 6.839                                         | 0.159                          | 0.364 | -0.073 | 11.926 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Dibenz[a,c]anthracene</b>      | 7.476                                         | 0.195                          | 0.364 | -0.012 | 12.109 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Dibenz[a,h]acridine</b>        | 8.191                                         | 0.185                          | 0.364 | -0.076 | 14.047 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Dibenz[a,j]acridine</b>        | 7.680                                         | 0.168                          | 0.364 | -0.028 | 13.352 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Dibenz[a,j]anthracene</b>      | 8.358                                         | 0.213                          | 0.364 | -0.061 | 13.386 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Dibenz[a,l]acridine</b>        | 8.695                                         | 0.192                          | 0.364 | 0.065  | 15.162 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Dibenz[c,h]acridine</b>        | 7.683                                         | 0.189                          | 0.364 | -0.186 | 12.996 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Dibenzothiphen</b>             | 4.031                                         | 0.209                          | 0.308 | -0.153 | 6.662  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Indole</b>                     | 1.065                                         | 0.388                          | 0.222 | -0.082 | 3.573  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Indole3-acetonitrile</b>       | 1.176                                         | 0.436                          | 0.222 | -0.17  | 5.566  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.943 |
| <b>Indole-3-carbinol</b>          | 0.968                                         | 0.450                          | 0.222 | -0.04  | 5.536  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.943 |
| <b>Indolo[2,3-c]carbazole</b>     | 6.321                                         | 0.222                          | 0.4   | 0.116  | 10.39  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |

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|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| <b>Indolo[3,2-b]carbazole</b> | 8.077                                   | 0.212                          | 0.4   | -0.016 | 12.854 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Napthalene</b>             | 2.172                                   | 0.318                          | 0.2   | -0.077 | 4.487  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>OBDD</b>                   | 9.397                                   | 0.125                          | 0.286 | 0.242  | 19.617 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.733 |
| <b>OBDF</b>                   | 9.504                                   | 0.113                          | 0.308 | -0.034 | 18.094 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.74  |
| <b>PBB040</b>                 | 5.826                                   | 0.174                          | 0     | -0.22  | 12.587 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB041</b>                 | 6.383                                   | 0.157                          | 0     | -0.135 | 13.657 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB042</b>                 | 6.484                                   | 0.158                          | 0     | -0.135 | 13.816 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB043</b>                 | 5.490                                   | 0.144                          | 0     | 0.025  | 12.616 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB044</b>                 | 5.506                                   | 0.144                          | 0     | 0.035  | 12.664 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB045</b>                 | 3.840                                   | 0.201                          | 0     | 0.158  | 10.323 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB046</b>                 | 4.300                                   | 0.188                          | 0     | -0.193 | 10.246 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB047</b>                 | 7.141                                   | 0.150                          | 0     | -0.041 | 15.065 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB048</b>                 | 6.061                                   | 0.141                          | 0     | 0.12   | 13.732 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB049</b>                 | 6.161                                   | 0.140                          | 0     | 0.12   | 13.89  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB050</b>                 | 4.812                                   | 0.157                          | 0     | -0.002 | 11.487 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB051</b>                 | 4.770                                   | 0.158                          | 0     | 0.007  | 11.442 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB052</b>                 | 5.178                                   | 0.180                          | 0     | 0.289  | 12.728 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB053</b>                 | 3.982                                   | 0.184                          | 0     | 0.061  | 10.325 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB054</b>                 | 2.162                                   | 0.333                          | 0     | 0.292  | 7.986  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB055</b>                 | 8.053                                   | 0.199                          | 0     | -0.171 | 16.205 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB056</b>                 | 8.012                                   | 0.195                          | 0     | -0.162 | 16.16  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB057</b>                 | 6.927                                   | 0.140                          | 0     | 0.105  | 15.061 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB058</b>                 | 7.395                                   | 0.202                          | 0     | -0.247 | 14.995 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB059</b>                 | 5.906                                   | 0.174                          | 0     | -0.22  | 12.712 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| <b>PBB060</b>                 | 8.684                                   | 0.202                          | 0     | -0.086 | 17.391 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |

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|--------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|------|
| PBB062 | 6.370                                   | 0.144                      | 0   | -0.047 | 13.837 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB063 | 7.595                                   | 0.151                      | 0   | 0.181  | 16.286 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB064 | 6.385                                   | 0.142                      | 0   | -0.029 | 13.902 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB065 | 5.292                                   | 0.163                      | 0   | 0.219  | 12.748 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB066 | 8.012                                   | 0.195                      | 0   | -0.162 | 16.16  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB067 | 7.684                                   | 0.151                      | 0   | 0.084  | 16.206 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB068 | 8.236                                   | 0.240                      | 0   | -0.277 | 16.251 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB069 | 7.070                                   | 0.300                      | 0   | -0.496 | 13.915 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB070 | 7.637                                   | 0.150                      | 0   | 0.093  | 16.152 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB071 | 6.880                                   | 0.285                      | 0   | -0.477 | 13.66  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB072 | 7.058                                   | 0.144                      | 0   | 0.008  | 15.047 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB073 | 6.492                                   | 0.397                      | 0   | -0.678 | 12.59  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB074 | 8.348                                   | 0.167                      | 0   | 0.169  | 17.445 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB075 | 7.546                                   | 0.222                      | 0   | -0.295 | 15.123 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB077 | 9.839                                   | 0.228                      | 0   | 0.133  | 19.71  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB079 | 9.093                                   | 0.193                      | 0   | 0.154  | 18.583 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB080 | 8.324                                   | 0.167                      | 0   | 0.184  | 17.441 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PBB082 | 7.370                                   | 0.201                      | 0   | -0.248 | 14.974 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB083 | 6.570                                   | 0.152                      | 0   | -0.098 | 14.058 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB084 | 5.282                                   | 0.155                      | 0   | -0.092 | 12.043 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB085 | 7.923                                   | 0.188                      | 0   | -0.15  | 16.069 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB086 | 6.951                                   | 0.144                      | 0   | -0.009 | 14.86  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB087 | 7.053                                   | 0.145                      | 0   | 0      | 15.041 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB088 | 5.607                                   | 0.144                      | 0   | 0.1    | 12.994 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB089 | 6.024                                   | 0.178                      | 0   | -0.233 | 12.89  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |

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|--------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|------|
| PBB090 | 7.127                                   | 0.146                      | 0   | -0.009 | 15.137 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB091 | 5.658                                   | 0.144                      | 0   | 0.109  | 13.094 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB092 | 6.251                                   | 0.141                      | 0   | 0.15   | 14.122 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB093 | 4.814                                   | 0.180                      | 0   | 0.241  | 12.067 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB094 | 4.814                                   | 0.180                      | 0   | 0.241  | 12.067 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB095 | 4.965                                   | 0.162                      | 0   | 0.156  | 12.111 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB096 | 3.516                                   | 0.237                      | 0   | 0.256  | 10.057 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB097 | 7.054                                   | 0.145                      | 0   | 0      | 15.043 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB098 | 6.149                                   | 0.181                      | 0   | -0.242 | 13.066 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB099 | 7.608                                   | 0.148                      | 0   | 0.097  | 16.136 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB100 | 6.522                                   | 0.143                      | 0   | -0.032 | 14.133 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB101 | 7.608                                   | 0.148                      | 0   | 0.097  | 16.136 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB102 | 5.710                                   | 0.142                      | 0   | 0.015  | 12.961 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB103 | 5.833                                   | 0.141                      | 0   | 0.006  | 13.135 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB104 | 4.201                                   | 0.197                      | 0   | 0.218  | 11.05  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB105 | 9.270                                   | 0.249                      | 0   | -0.165 | 18.155 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB107 | 8.255                                   | 0.164                      | 0   | 0.088  | 17.134 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB108 | 8.753                                   | 0.256                      | 0   | -0.263 | 17.118 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB109 | 7.477                                   | 0.207                      | 0   | -0.257 | 15.123 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB110 | 7.402                                   | 0.199                      | 0   | -0.239 | 15.045 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB111 | 7.766                                   | 0.158                      | 0   | -0.001 | 16.162 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB112 | 6.500                                   | 0.140                      | 0   | -0.003 | 14.164 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB113 | 7.092                                   | 0.271                      | 0   | -0.439 | 14.101 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB114 | 8.765                                   | 0.179                      | 0   | 0.167  | 18.118 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB115 | 7.859                                   | 0.167                      | 0   | -0.056 | 16.182 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |

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|--------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|------|
| PBB116 | 6.785                                   | 0.142                          | 0   | 0.17   | 15.007 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB117 | 6.886                                   | 0.144                          | 0   | 0.188  | 15.208 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB118 | 8.910                                   | 0.187                          | 0   | 0.082  | 18.153 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB119 | 8.448                                   | 0.351                          | 0   | -0.492 | 16.115 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB120 | 8.424                                   | 0.179                          | 0   | -0.015 | 17.166 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB121 | 8.145                                   | 0.477                          | 0   | -0.702 | 15.158 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB122 | 8.628                                   | 0.247                          | 0   | -0.254 | 16.941 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB123 | 9.358                                   | 0.290                          | 0   | -0.269 | 18.057 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB124 | 8.296                                   | 0.173                          | 0   | -0.006 | 16.985 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB125 | 7.892                                   | 0.451                          | 0   | -0.684 | 14.802 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB126 | 10.054                                  | 0.238                          | 0   | 0.161  | 20.134 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB127 | 9.387                                   | 0.204                          | 0   | 0.176  | 19.118 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB128 | 8.592                                   | 0.251                          | 0   | -0.269 | 16.851 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB129 | 7.788                                   | 0.181                          | 0   | -0.134 | 15.893 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB130 | 7.866                                   | 0.183                          | 0   | -0.134 | 16.015 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB131 | 6.744                                   | 0.163                          | 0   | -0.148 | 14.217 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB132 | 6.710                                   | 0.160                          | 0   | -0.139 | 14.184 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB133 | 7.134                                   | 0.145                          | 0   | 0.009  | 15.19  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB134 | 6.018                                   | 0.141                          | 0   | -0.013 | 13.383 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB135 | 6.158                                   | 0.151                          | 0   | -0.107 | 13.389 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB136 | 4.576                                   | 0.183                          | 0   | 0.219  | 11.642 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB137 | 8.261                                   | 0.176                          | 0   | -0.032 | 16.871 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB138 | 8.275                                   | 0.175                          | 0   | -0.023 | 16.913 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB139 | 7.040                                   | 0.141                          | 0   | 0.066  | 15.172 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB140 | 7.496                                   | 0.213                          | 0   | -0.274 | 15.114 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |



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|--------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|------|
| PBB141 | 7.467                                   | 0.146                      | 0   | 0.112  | 15.949 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB142 | 6.197                                   | 0.145                      | 0   | 0.183  | 14.112 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB143 | 6.761                                   | 0.187                      | 0   | -0.242 | 14.03  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB144 | 6.426                                   | 0.138                      | 0   | 0.098  | 14.278 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB145 | 5.110                                   | 0.162                      | 0   | 0.187  | 12.41  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB146 | 7.546                                   | 0.147                      | 0   | 0.112  | 16.073 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB147 | 6.319                                   | 0.145                      | 0   | 0.192  | 14.325 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB148 | 6.950                                   | 0.193                      | 0   | -0.251 | 14.307 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB149 | 6.392                                   | 0.138                      | 0   | 0.107  | 14.246 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB150 | 5.187                                   | 0.160                      | 0   | 0.187  | 12.531 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB151 | 5.700                                   | 0.157                      | 0   | 0.233  | 13.444 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB152 | 4.565                                   | 0.182                      | 0   | 0.21   | 11.604 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB153 | 7.951                                   | 0.160                      | 0   | 0.224  | 16.967 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB154 | 7.179                                   | 0.149                      | 0   | -0.027 | 15.178 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB155 | 5.795                                   | 0.147                      | 0   | 0.164  | 13.436 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB156 | 9.258                                   | 0.202                      | 0   | 0.076  | 18.686 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB157 | 9.721                                   | 0.310                      | 0   | -0.264 | 18.64  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB158 | 8.654                                   | 0.254                      | 0   | -0.269 | 16.948 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB159 | 8.846                                   | 0.197                      | 0   | -0.027 | 17.802 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB160 | 7.743                                   | 0.163                      | 0   | -0.049 | 16.016 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB161 | 8.419                                   | 0.344                      | 0   | -0.483 | 16.089 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB162 | 8.812                                   | 0.194                      | 0   | -0.018 | 17.769 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB163 | 7.754                                   | 0.161                      | 0   | -0.031 | 16.074 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |
| PBB164 | 8.272                                   | 0.327                      | 0   | -0.465 | 15.9   | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76 |

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|--------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PBB165 | 7.514                                      | 0.201                      | 0   | -0.237 | 15.227 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76  |
| PBB166 | 8.047                                      | 0.158                      | 0   | 0.156  | 16.963 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76  |
| PBB167 | 9.391                                      | 0.220                      | 0   | -0.018 | 18.682 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76  |
| PBB168 | 9.238                                      | 0.549                      | 0   | -0.711 | 16.858 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76  |
| PBB169 | 10.228                                     | 0.247                      | 0   | 0.183  | 20.457 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.76  |
| PBB170 | 8.860                                      | 0.228                      | 0   | -0.162 | 17.504 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB171 | 7.915                                      | 0.198                      | 0   | -0.188 | 15.956 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB172 | 8.186                                      | 0.173                      | 0   | -0.031 | 16.741 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB173 | 7.207                                      | 0.156                      | 0   | -0.075 | 15.1   | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB174 | 7.319                                      | 0.175                      | 0   | -0.161 | 15.08  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB175 | 7.420                                      | 0.180                      | 0   | -0.17  | 15.218 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB176 | 5.928                                      | 0.144                      | 0   | 0.151  | 13.603 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB177 | 7.247                                      | 0.155                      | 0   | -0.066 | 15.183 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB178 | 6.746                                      | 0.145                      | 0   | -0.039 | 14.457 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB179 | 5.436                                      | 0.153                      | 0   | 0.168  | 12.866 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB180 | 8.531                                      | 0.173                      | 0   | 0.088  | 17.556 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB181 | 7.434                                      | 0.147                      | 0   | 0.149  | 15.968 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB182 | 7.915                                      | 0.198                      | 0   | -0.188 | 15.956 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB183 | 7.586                                      | 0.149                      | 0   | 0.063  | 16.012 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB184 | 6.478                                      | 0.140                      | 0   | 0.133  | 14.427 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB185 | 6.877                                      | 0.143                      | 0   | 0.176  | 15.154 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB186 | 5.849                                      | 0.144                      | 0   | 0.142  | 13.458 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB187 | 6.918                                      | 0.144                      | 0   | 0.185  | 15.239 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB189 | 9.701                                      | 0.240                      | 0   | -0.033 | 19.122 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |

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|---------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PBB190  | 8.773                                   | 0.201                          | 0     | -0.067 | 17.583 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB191  | 9.386                                   | 0.415                          | 0     | -0.508 | 17.542 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB192  | 8.601                                   | 0.260                          | 0     | -0.291 | 16.801 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB193  | 8.540                                   | 0.251                          | 0     | -0.273 | 16.746 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.754 |
| PBB194  | 9.086                                   | 0.215                          | 0     | -0.063 | 18.066 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBB195  | 8.247                                   | 0.193                          | 0     | -0.12  | 16.616 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBB196  | 8.397                                   | 0.226                          | 0     | -0.219 | 16.625 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBB197  | 7.064                                   | 0.142                          | 0     | 0.094  | 15.242 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBB199  | 7.769                                   | 0.173                          | 0     | -0.098 | 15.913 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBB200  | 6.556                                   | 0.139                          | 0     | 0.097  | 14.449 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBB201  | 6.622                                   | 0.139                          | 0     | 0.097  | 14.553 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBB202  | 6.171                                   | 0.140                          | 0     | 0.109  | 13.87  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBB203  | 7.901                                   | 0.156                          | 0     | 0.141  | 16.667 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBB204  | 7.055                                   | 0.142                          | 0     | 0.085  | 15.207 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBB205  | 9.471                                   | 0.322                          | 0     | -0.324 | 18.076 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBB206  | 8.689                                   | 0.223                          | 0     | -0.164 | 17.185 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.733 |
| PBB207  | 7.588                                   | 0.153                          | 0     | 0.032  | 15.899 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.733 |
| PBB208  | 7.183                                   | 0.146                          | 0     | 0.029  | 15.254 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.733 |
| PBB209  | 8.085                                   | 0.176                          | 0     | -0.051 | 16.464 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.72  |
| PBDD045 | 10.282                                  | 0.154                          | 0.286 | 0.48   | 21.512 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.714 |
| PBDE000 | 3.113                                   | 0.527                          | 0     | -0.148 | 7.832  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| PBDE001 | 3.701                                   | 0.263                          | 0     | -0.114 | 10.001 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.544 |
| PBDE002 | 6.850                                   | 0.294                          | 0     | -0.253 | 14.64  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.544 |
| PBDE003 | 6.680                                   | 0.195                          | 0     | 0.142  | 15.274 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.544 |

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|---------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PBDE004 | 3.135                                      | 0.294                      | 0   | -0.204 | 9.127  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PBDE005 | 6.706                                      | 0.264                      | 0   | -0.235 | 14.678 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PBDE006 | 3.753                                      | 0.279                      | 0   | -0.226 | 10.049 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PBDE007 | 6.432                                      | 0.172                      | 0   | 0.146  | 15.116 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PBDE008 | 6.812                                      | 0.173                      | 0   | 0.146  | 15.714 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PBDE009 | 4.807                                      | 0.199                      | 0   | 0.015  | 12.259 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PBDE010 | 2.693                                      | 0.293                      | 0   | -0.109 | 8.647  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PBDE011 | 6.040                                      | 0.313                      | 0   | -0.361 | 13.342 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PBDE012 | 8.800                                      | 0.244                      | 0   | 0.02   | 18.557 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PBDE013 | 8.930                                      | 0.249                      | 0   | 0.02   | 18.761 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PBDE014 | 7.524                                      | 0.346                      | 0   | -0.361 | 15.678 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PBDE015 | 7.329                                      | 0.197                      | 0   | 0.02   | 16.24  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PBDE016 | 5.709                                      | 0.289                      | 0   | -0.327 | 13.016 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE017 | 5.447                                      | 0.181                      | 0   | 0.04   | 13.441 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE018 | 4.119                                      | 0.230                      | 0   | -0.086 | 11.063 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE019 | 3.646                                      | 0.311                      | 0   | -0.311 | 9.804  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE020 | 8.243                                      | 0.361                      | 0   | -0.351 | 16.951 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE021 | 8.279                                      | 0.215                      | 0   | 0.015  | 17.842 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE022 | 7.945                                      | 0.205                      | 0   | 0.015  | 17.317 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE024 | 4.823                                      | 0.197                      | 0   | -0.003 | 12.361 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE025 | 6.673                                      | 0.180                      | 0   | 0.024  | 15.334 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE026 | 5.718                                      | 0.208                      | 0   | -0.11  | 13.525 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE027 | 5.367                                      | 0.247                      | 0   | -0.226 | 12.708 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE028 | 7.909                                      | 0.185                      | 0   | 0.39   | 18.115 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |

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| PBDE029 | 6.733                                   | 0.164                      | 0   | 0.256  | 15.958 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE030 | 5.071                                   | 0.180                      | 0   | 0.131  | 13.057 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE031 | 6.789                                   | 0.164                      | 0   | 0.256  | 16.047 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE032 | 5.003                                   | 0.181                      | 0   | 0.131  | 12.95  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE033 | 7.196                                   | 0.186                      | 0   | 0.024  | 16.158 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE034 | 6.245                                   | 0.301                      | 0   | -0.343 | 13.823 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE035 | 10.274                                  | 0.355                      | 0   | -0.102 | 20.716 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE036 | 8.171                                   | 0.437                      | 0   | -0.477 | 16.549 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE037 | 10.068                                  | 0.257                      | 0   | 0.273  | 21.247 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE038 | 8.881                                   | 0.274                      | 0   | -0.102 | 18.523 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE039 | 9.110                                   | 0.286                      | 0   | -0.102 | 18.883 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PBDE040 | 4.760                                   | 0.361                      | 0   | -0.459 | 11.282 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE041 | 7.161                                   | 0.212                      | 0   | -0.092 | 15.901 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE042 | 5.405                                   | 0.205                      | 0   | -0.092 | 13.136 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE043 | 6.137                                   | 0.245                      | 0   | -0.222 | 13.992 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE044 | 7.032                                   | 0.256                      | 0   | -0.222 | 15.4   | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE046 | 5.735                                   | 0.347                      | 0   | -0.439 | 12.863 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE047 | 6.074                                   | 0.165                      | 0   | 0.274  | 15.025 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE048 | 5.760                                   | 0.167                      | 0   | 0.144  | 14.233 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE049 | 5.937                                   | 0.165                      | 0   | 0.144  | 14.512 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE050 | 4.632                                   | 0.215                      | 0   | -0.082 | 11.942 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE051 | 5.456                                   | 0.202                      | 0   | -0.082 | 13.239 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE052 | 5.791                                   | 0.180                      | 0   | 0.014  | 13.985 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE053 | 4.503                                   | 0.250                      | 0   | -0.203 | 11.463 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |

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|---------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PBDE054 | 9.313                                   | 0.164                 | 0.286 | 0.009  | 18.945 | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0.73  |
| PBDE054 | 3.427                                   | 0.426                 | 0     | -0.528 | 9.027  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE055 | 7.971                                   | 0.238                 | 0     | -0.111 | 17.132 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE056 | 7.895                                   | 0.236                 | 0     | -0.111 | 17.012 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE057 | 7.816                                   | 0.290                 | 0     | -0.25  | 16.571 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE058 | 7.184                                   | 0.398                 | 0     | -0.478 | 15.056 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE059 | 6.737                                   | 0.218                 | 0     | -0.132 | 15.142 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE060 | 7.607                                   | 0.168                 | 0     | 0.255  | 17.395 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE061 | 7.343                                   | 0.171                 | 0     | 0.117  | 16.663 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE062 | 6.394                                   | 0.161                 | 0     | 0.226  | 15.419 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE063 | 7.478                                   | 0.174                 | 0     | 0.117  | 16.876 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE064 | 6.408                                   | 0.161                 | 0     | 0.226  | 15.44  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE065 | 5.515                                   | 0.173                 | 0     | 0.087  | 13.718 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE066 | 8.500                                   | 0.187                 | 0     | 0.263  | 18.818 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE067 | 8.357                                   | 0.194                 | 0     | 0.125  | 18.279 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE068 | 7.753                                   | 0.229                 | 0     | -0.103 | 16.807 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE069 | 6.995                                   | 0.185                 | 0     | 0.006  | 15.862 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE070 | 8.296                                   | 0.192                 | 0     | 0.125  | 18.182 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE071 | 6.804                                   | 0.182                 | 0     | 0.006  | 15.562 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE072 | 7.555                                   | 0.277                 | 0     | -0.241 | 16.18  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE073 | 6.050                                   | 0.302                 | 0     | -0.351 | 13.56  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE074 | 8.500                                   | 0.187                 | 0     | 0.263  | 18.819 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE075 | 6.592                                   | 0.170                 | 0     | 0.364  | 16.045 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE076 | 7.881                                   | 0.233                 | 0     | -0.103 | 17.009 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |

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| PBDE077 | 10.053                                  | 0.265                          | 0   | 0.146  | 20.996 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE078 | 9.233                                   | 0.343                          | 0   | -0.229 | 18.85  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE079 | 9.378                                   | 0.351                          | 0   | -0.229 | 19.078 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE080 | 9.680                                   | 0.623                          | 0   | -0.604 | 18.697 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE081 | 10.428                                  | 0.288                          | 0   | 0.146  | 21.586 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE082 | 6.215                                   | 0.250                          | 0   | -0.234 | 14.114 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE083 | 6.172                                   | 0.313                          | 0   | -0.37  | 13.737 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE084 | 6.999                                   | 0.319                          | 0   | -0.356 | 15.07  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE085 | 6.719                                   | 0.163                          | 0   | 0.139  | 15.759 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE086 | 7.213                                   | 0.187                          | 0   | 0.003  | 16.226 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE087 | 8.095                                   | 0.208                          | 0   | 0.003  | 17.615 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE088 | 5.860                                   | 0.180                          | 0   | 0.008  | 14.108 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE089 | 6.956                                   | 0.253                          | 0   | -0.22  | 15.314 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE090 | 6.671                                   | 0.181                          | 0   | 0.003  | 15.373 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE091 | 6.060                                   | 0.179                          | 0   | 0.008  | 14.423 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE092 | 6.583                                   | 0.216                          | 0   | -0.134 | 14.923 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE093 | 5.151                                   | 0.217                          | 0   | -0.128 | 12.682 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE094 | 6.142                                   | 0.301                          | 0   | -0.347 | 13.742 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE095 | 5.874                                   | 0.209                          | 0   | -0.12  | 13.838 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE096 | 4.986                                   | 0.348                          | 0   | -0.44  | 11.709 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE097 | 6.603                                   | 0.181                          | 0   | 0.003  | 15.267 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE098 | 7.086                                   | 0.256                          | 0   | -0.22  | 15.518 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE099 | 7.119                                   | 0.170                          | 0   | 0.375  | 16.928 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE100 | 6.101                                   | 0.163                          | 0   | 0.144  | 14.798 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |

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|---------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PBDE101 | 7.025                                   | 0.161                      | 0   | 0.239  | 16.47  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE102 | 5.924                                   | 0.178                      | 0   | 0.017  | 14.230 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE103 | 6.021                                   | 0.177                      | 0   | 0.017  | 14.382 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE104 | 5.118                                   | 0.284                      | 0   | -0.313 | 12.208 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE105 | 7.871                                   | 0.179                      | 0   | 0.125  | 17.541 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE106 | 10.149                                  | 0.400                      | 0   | -0.229 | 20.292 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PBDE107 | 8.782                                   | 0.238                      | 0   | -0.02  | 18.644 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE108 | 8.307                                   | 0.306                      | 0   | -0.248 | 17.376 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE109 | 7.353                                   | 0.174                      | 0   | 0.092  | 16.650 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE110 | 7.792                                   | 0.182                      | 0   | 0.092  | 17.342 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE111 | 8.218                                   | 0.381                      | 0   | -0.393 | 16.905 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE112 | 7.184                                   | 0.200                      | 0   | -0.052 | 16.055 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE113 | 6.722                                   | 0.271                      | 0   | -0.271 | 14.829 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE114 | 7.870                                   | 0.179                      | 0   | 0.125  | 17.539 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE115 | 6.974                                   | 0.184                      | 0   | 0.456  | 16.884 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE116 | 6.649                                   | 0.163                      | 0   | 0.312  | 16.044 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE117 | 6.763                                   | 0.163                      | 0   | 0.312  | 16.223 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE118 | 8.181                                   | 0.181                      | 0   | 0.361  | 18.567 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE119 | 7.974                                   | 0.173                      | 0   | 0.237  | 17.959 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE120 | 8.597                                   | 0.228                      | 0   | -0.011 | 18.373 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE121 | 7.360                                   | 0.226                      | 0   | -0.127 | 16.161 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE122 | 8.189                                   | 0.301                      | 0   | -0.248 | 17.19  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE123 | 8.620                                   | 0.200                      | 0   | 0.133  | 18.739 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE124 | 8.482                                   | 0.224                      | 0   | -0.011 | 18.192 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |



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| PBDE125 | 7.156                                      | 0.222                      | 0   | -0.127 | 15.84  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE126 | 10.898                                     | 0.352                      | 0   | 0.012  | 22.048 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE127 | 10.393                                     | 0.499                      | 0   | -0.369 | 20.384 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| PBDE128 | 7.286                                      | 0.191                      | 0   | -0.007 | 16.327 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE129 | 7.190                                      | 0.231                      | 0   | -0.152 | 15.846 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE130 | 7.285                                      | 0.233                      | 0   | -0.152 | 15.995 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE131 | 6.589                                      | 0.219                      | 0   | -0.143 | 14.919 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE132 | 6.629                                      | 0.220                      | 0   | -0.143 | 14.982 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE133 | 7.270                                      | 0.295                      | 0   | -0.297 | 15.64  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE134 | 5.993                                      | 0.271                      | 0   | -0.288 | 13.65  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE135 | 6.613                                      | 0.273                      | 0   | -0.279 | 14.647 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE136 | 6.206                                      | 0.313                      | 0   | -0.37  | 13.798 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE137 | 7.571                                      | 0.166                      | 0   | 0.233  | 17.324 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE138 | 7.607                                      | 0.166                      | 0   | 0.233  | 17.38  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE139 | 7.462                                      | 0.164                      | 0   | 0.233  | 17.152 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE140 | 6.716                                      | 0.182                      | 0   | 0.002  | 15.451 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE141 | 7.528                                      | 0.177                      | 0   | 0.088  | 16.926 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE142 | 6.230                                      | 0.167                      | 0   | 0.088  | 14.882 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE143 | 6.570                                      | 0.216                      | 0   | -0.134 | 14.911 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE144 | 6.948                                      | 0.168                      | 0   | 0.097  | 16.032 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE145 | 6.200                                      | 0.249                      | 0   | -0.234 | 14.099 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE146 | 7.586                                      | 0.178                      | 0   | 0.088  | 17.016 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE147 | 6.383                                      | 0.167                      | 0   | 0.088  | 15.122 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| PBDE148 | 6.708                                      | 0.218                      | 0   | -0.134 | 15.128 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |

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|----------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| <b>PBDE149</b> | 6.949                                   | 0.168                      | 0   | 0.097  | 16.034 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE150</b> | 5.687                                   | 0.248                      | 0   | -0.234 | 13.292 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE151</b> | 6.344                                   | 0.190                      | 0   | -0.048 | 14.751 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE152</b> | 5.586                                   | 0.309                      | 0   | -0.37  | 12.822 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE153</b> | 7.916                                   | 0.192                      | 0   | 0.473  | 18.415 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE154</b> | 5.924                                   | 0.178                      | 0   | 0.017  | 14.23  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.745 |
| <b>PBDE155</b> | 6.675                                   | 0.186                      | 0   | -0.018 | 15.334 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| <b>PBDE156</b> | 8.030                                   | 0.190                      | 0   | 0.077  | 17.684 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| <b>PBDE157</b> | 9.456                                   | 0.223                      | 0   | 0.215  | 20.251 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE158</b> | 8.624                                   | 0.189                      | 0   | 0.324  | 19.189 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE159</b> | 9.031                                   | 0.248                      | 0   | -0.016 | 19.054 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE160</b> | 8.045                                   | 0.178                      | 0   | 0.171  | 17.929 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE161</b> | 8.159                                   | 0.224                      | 0   | -0.052 | 17.599 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE162</b> | 7.074                                   | 0.162                      | 0   | 0.171  | 16.4   | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE163</b> | 8.044                                   | 0.220                      | 0   | -0.052 | 17.418 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE164</b> | 9.011                                   | 0.302                      | 0   | -0.169 | 18.673 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE165</b> | 7.558                                   | 0.261                      | 0   | -0.206 | 16.302 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE166</b> | 7.536                                   | 0.206                      | 0   | 0.547  | 17.986 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE167</b> | 9.246                                   | 0.213                      | 0   | 0.224  | 19.94  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE168</b> | 8.135                                   | 0.189                      | 0   | 0.102  | 17.913 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE169</b> | 10.935                                  | 0.410                      | 0   | -0.133 | 21.784 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.749 |
| <b>PBDE170</b> | 8.034                                   | 0.190                      | 0   | 0.077  | 17.69  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| <b>PBDE171</b> | 7.489                                   | 0.178                      | 0   | 0.081  | 16.842 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| <b>PBDE172</b> | 8.060                                   | 0.230                      | 0   | -0.08  | 17.373 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |

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|---------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PBDE173 | 6.881                                   | 0.202                      | 0   | -0.076 | 15.526 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE174 | 7.473                                   | 0.210                      | 0   | -0.067 | 16.479 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE175 | 6.977                                   | 0.203                      | 0   | -0.076 | 15.677 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE176 | 7.158                                   | 0.236                      | 0   | -0.166 | 15.757 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE177 | 7.512                                   | 0.211                      | 0   | -0.067 | 16.540 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE178 | 7.003                                   | 0.256                      | 0   | -0.224 | 15.381 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE179 | 6.628                                   | 0.290                      | 0   | -0.314 | 14.585 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE180 | 8.274                                   | 0.181                      | 0   | 0.325  | 18.634 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE181 | 7.166                                   | 0.165                      | 0   | 0.32   | 16.879 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE182 | 7.516                                   | 0.177                      | 0   | 0.09   | 16.905 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE183 | 7.747                                   | 0.171                      | 0   | 0.329  | 17.814 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE184 | 7.195                                   | 0.192                      | 0   | -0.018 | 16.153 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE185 | 7.172                                   | 0.163                      | 0   | 0.172  | 16.55  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE186 | 6.534                                   | 0.227                      | 0   | -0.166 | 14.774 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE187 | 7.227                                   | 0.164                      | 0   | 0.172  | 16.637 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE188 | 6.664                                   | 0.228                      | 0   | -0.166 | 14.979 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE189 | 9.561                                   | 0.253                      | 0   | 0.065  | 20.067 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE190 | 7.744                                   | 0.180                      | 0   | 0.41   | 17.994 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE191 | 8.757                                   | 0.199                      | 0   | 0.181  | 19.066 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE192 | 8.269                                   | 0.210                      | 0   | 0.015  | 17.919 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE193 | 8.235                                   | 0.209                      | 0   | 0.015  | 17.866 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.746 |
| PBDE194 | 8.644                                   | 0.198                      | 0   | 0.158  | 18.823 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.74  |
| PBDE195 | 7.632                                   | 0.172                      | 0   | 0.157  | 17.227 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.74  |
| PBDE196 | 8.145                                   | 0.182                      | 0   | 0.166  | 18.056 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.74  |

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|----------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| <b>PBDE197</b> | 7.879                                      | 0.191                      | 0   | 0.056  | 17.386 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.74  |
| <b>PBDE198</b> | 7.699                                      | 0.199                      | 0   | -0.006 | 16.960 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.74  |
| <b>PBDE199</b> | 7.709                                      | 0.200                      | 0   | -0.006 | 16.977 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.74  |
| <b>PBDE200</b> | 7.381                                      | 0.221                      | 0   | -0.107 | 16.229 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.74  |
| <b>PBDE201</b> | 7.424                                      | 0.221                      | 0   | -0.107 | 16.297 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.74  |
| <b>PBDE202</b> | 6.977                                      | 0.276                      | 0   | -0.27  | 15.221 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.74  |
| <b>PBDE203</b> | 7.829                                      | 0.182                      | 0   | 0.417  | 18.131 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.74  |
| <b>PBDE204</b> | 7.370                                      | 0.180                      | 0   | 0.056  | 16.584 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.74  |
| <b>PBDE205</b> | 8.755                                      | 0.194                      | 0   | 0.258  | 19.226 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.74  |
| <b>PBDE206</b> | 8.217                                      | 0.180                      | 0   | 0.243  | 18.323 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.73  |
| <b>PBDE207</b> | 7.980                                      | 0.183                      | 0   | 0.129  | 17.689 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.73  |
| <b>PBDE208</b> | 7.602                                      | 0.211                      | 0   | -0.055 | 16.675 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.73  |
| <b>PBDE209</b> | 8.045                                      | 0.179                      | 0   | 0.204  | 17.939 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.719 |
| <b>PCB000</b>  | 2.985                                      | 0.468                      | 0   | -0.019 | 6.967  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>PCB001</b>  | 2.502                                      | 0.259                      | 0   | -0.168 | 7.085  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.569 |
| <b>PCB002</b>  | 3.622                                      | 0.208                      | 0   | 0.061  | 9.371  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.569 |
| <b>PCB003</b>  | 4.423                                      | 0.180                      | 0   | 0.026  | 10.551 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.569 |
| <b>PCB004</b>  | 2.078                                      | 0.283                      | 0   | 0.062  | 7.164  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.673 |
| <b>PCB005</b>  | 3.608                                      | 0.201                      | 0   | -0.137 | 9.119  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.673 |
| <b>PCB006</b>  | 3.736                                      | 0.209                      | 0   | -0.22  | 9.132  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.673 |
| <b>PCB007</b>  | 3.726                                      | 0.136                      | 0   | -0.132 | 10.159 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.673 |
| <b>PCB008</b>  | 4.240                                      | 0.180                      | 0   | -0.128 | 10.135 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.673 |
| <b>PCB009</b>  | 3.067                                      | 0.260                      | 0   | 0.25   | 9.15   | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.673 |
| <b>PCB010</b>  | 2.097                                      | 0.220                      | 0   | -0.325 | 7.154  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.673 |

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|--------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCB011 | 4.681                                      | 0.163                      | 0   | 0.056  | 11.249 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.673 |
| PCB012 | 5.287                                      | 0.151                      | 0   | 0.056  | 12.203 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.673 |
| PCB013 | 5.346                                      | 0.150                      | 0   | 0.056  | 12.296 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.673 |
| PCB014 | 4.147                                      | 0.132                      | 0   | 0.051  | 11.239 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.673 |
| PCB015 | 6.000                                      | 0.144                      | 0   | 0.06   | 13.335 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.673 |
| PCB016 | 3.414                                      | 0.205                      | 0   | -0.09  | 9.032  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| PCB017 | 3.306                                      | 0.155                      | 0   | 0.004  | 9.92   | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| PCB018 | 2.984                                      | 0.255                      | 0   | 0.213  | 9.047  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| PCB019 | 1.489                                      | 0.280                      | 0   | 0.105  | 7.289  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| PCB020 | 4.691                                      | 0.183                      | 0   | -0.216 | 10.756 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| PCB021 | 4.571                                      | 0.113                      | 0   | -0.129 | 11.608 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| PCB022 | 5.144                                      | 0.161                      | 0   | -0.126 | 11.673 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| PCB023 | 3.656                                      | 0.164                      | 0   | 0.148  | 10.799 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| PCB024 | 2.805                                      | 0.175                      | 0   | -0.025 | 9.065  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| PCB025 | 4.718                                      | 0.116                      | 0   | -0.194 | 11.691 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| PCB026 | 4.298                                      | 0.174                      | 0   | 0.087  | 10.828 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| PCB027 | 3.406                                      | 0.202                      | 0   | -0.457 | 9.025  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| PCB028 | 5.159                                      | 0.103                      | 0   | -0.1   | 12.6   | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| PCB029 | 4.166                                      | 0.151                      | 0   | 0.174  | 11.661 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| PCB030 | 2.698                                      | 0.190                      | 0   | -0.302 | 9.949  | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.725 |
| PCB031 | 4.730                                      | 0.171                      | 0   | 0.177  | 11.714 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| PCB032 | 3.724                                      | 0.152                      | 0   | -0.295 | 9.895  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| PCB033 | 5.177                                      | 0.171                      | 0   | -0.19  | 11.58  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| PCB034 | 4.259                                      | 0.138                      | 0   | -0.284 | 10.762 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |

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|--------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCB035 | 5.994                                      | 0.140                      | 0   | 0.047  | 13.407 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| PCB036 | 4.960                                      | 0.107                      | 0   | 0.025  | 12.571 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| PCB037 | 6.553                                      | 0.139                      | 0   | 0.07   | 14.34  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.725 |
| PCB038 | 5.405                                      | 0.103                      | 0   | 0.044  | 13.316 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| PCB039 | 5.508                                      | 0.102                      | 0   | 0.044  | 13.478 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.725 |
| PCB040 | 4.462                                      | 0.188                      | 0   | -0.214 | 10.453 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| PCB041 | 4.241                                      | 0.119                      | 0   | -0.119 | 11.165 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| PCB042 | 4.285                                      | 0.118                      | 0   | -0.119 | 11.234 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| PCB043 | 3.546                                      | 0.149                      | 0   | 0.039  | 10.431 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| PCB044 | 4.084                                      | 0.179                      | 0   | 0.041  | 10.439 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| PCB045 | 2.365                                      | 0.241                      | 0   | 0.181  | 8.896  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| PCB046 | 2.790                                      | 0.172                      | 0   | -0.129 | 8.858  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| PCB048 | 3.881                                      | 0.153                      | 0   | 0.136  | 11.18  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| PCB049 | 3.927                                      | 0.151                      | 0   | 0.136  | 11.252 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| PCB050 | 2.018                                      | 0.268                      | 0   | 0.023  | 9.674  | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.75  |
| PCB051 | 2.535                                      | 0.193                      | 0   | 0.026  | 9.653  | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.75  |
| PCB052 | 3.740                                      | 0.237                      | 0   | 0.297  | 10.483 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| PCB053 | 2.448                                      | 0.221                      | 0   | 0.126  | 8.901  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| PCB054 | 0.651                                      | 0.443                      | 0   | 0.324  | 7.367  | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.75  |
| PCB055 | 5.365                                      | 0.112                      | 0   | -0.207 | 12.733 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| PCB056 | 5.881                                      | 0.170                      | 0   | -0.204 | 12.71  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75  |
| PCB057 | 4.588                                      | 0.113                      | 0   | 0.011  | 12.007 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| PCB058 | 5.015                                      | 0.131                      | 0   | -0.299 | 11.972 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |
| PCB059 | 3.929                                      | 0.135                      | 0   | -0.214 | 10.457 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75  |

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|--------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|------|
| PCB060 | 5.746                                      | 0.100                      | 0   | -0.112 | 13.55  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75 |
| PCB062 | 3.128                                      | 0.194                      | 0   | -0.068 | 11.214 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.75 |
| PCB063 | 4.968                                      | 0.115                      | 0   | 0.103  | 12.816 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75 |
| PCB064 | 4.205                                      | 0.120                      | 0   | -0.062 | 11.238 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75 |
| PCB065 | 2.877                                      | 0.208                      | 0   | 0.148  | 10.469 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.75 |
| PCB066 | 5.830                                      | 0.105                      | 0   | -0.167 | 13.556 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75 |
| PCB067 | 3.881                                      | 0.153                      | 0   | 0.136  | 11.18  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75 |
| PCB068 | 3.927                                      | 0.151                      | 0   | 0.136  | 11.252 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75 |
| PCB069 | 3.682                                      | 0.177                      | 0   | -0.433 | 11.253 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.75 |
| PCB070 | 5.550                                      | 0.143                      | 0   | 0.052  | 12.773 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.75 |
| PCB071 | 4.668                                      | 0.170                      | 0   | -0.427 | 11.134 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75 |
| PCB072 | 4.674                                      | 0.109                      | 0   | -0.043 | 12.019 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75 |
| PCB073 | 3.893                                      | 0.200                      | 0   | -0.583 | 10.401 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.75 |
| PCB074 | 5.408                                      | 0.114                      | 0   | 0.144  | 13.602 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75 |
| PCB075 | 3.958                                      | 0.157                      | 0   | -0.277 | 12.043 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.75 |
| PCB078 | 6.025                                      | 0.097                      | 0   | 0.018  | 14.285 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75 |
| PCB079 | 6.070                                      | 0.097                      | 0   | 0.018  | 14.357 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.75 |
| PCB080 | 5.097                                      | 0.106                      | 0   | -0.016 | 13.589 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.75 |
| PCB082 | 5.079                                      | 0.118                      | 0   | -0.234 | 12.243 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.76 |
| PCB083 | 4.463                                      | 0.114                      | 0   | -0.108 | 11.56  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.76 |
| PCB084 | 3.487                                      | 0.144                      | 0   | -0.052 | 10.152 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.76 |
| PCB085 | 4.857                                      | 0.102                      | 0   | -0.134 | 12.964 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB086 | 4.167                                      | 0.123                      | 0   | -0.01  | 12.161 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB087 | 4.744                                      | 0.109                      | 0   | -0.007 | 12.234 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.76 |

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|--------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|------|
| PCB088 | 2.631                                   | 0.259                      | 0   | 0.097  | 10.829 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB089 | 3.528                                   | 0.130                      | 0   | -0.176 | 10.776 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB090 | 4.249                                   | 0.121                      | 0   | -0.01  | 12.29  | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB091 | 3.191                                   | 0.179                      | 0   | 0.1    | 10.875 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB092 | 4.144                                   | 0.140                      | 0   | 0.119  | 11.577 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.76 |
| PCB093 | 2.564                                   | 0.251                      | 0   | 0.221  | 10.165 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB094 | 3.017                                   | 0.151                      | 0   | -0.104 | 10.135 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB095 | 3.182                                   | 0.193                      | 0   | 0.175  | 10.189 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.76 |
| PCB096 | 1.607                                   | 0.341                      | 0   | 0.279  | 8.79   | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB097 | 4.744                                   | 0.109                      | 0   | -0.007 | 12.234 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.76 |
| PCB098 | 3.050                                   | 0.182                      | 0   | -0.179 | 10.859 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB099 | 4.539                                   | 0.132                      | 0   | 0.093  | 12.982 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB100 | 2.755                                   | 0.316                      | 0   | -0.024 | 11.592 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.76 |
| PCB101 | 4.441                                   | 0.153                      | 0   | 0.22   | 12.275 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.76 |
| PCB102 | 3.224                                   | 0.166                      | 0   | 0.051  | 10.816 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB103 | 2.746                                   | 0.238                      | 0   | 0.048  | 10.899 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB104 | 1.082                                   | 0.512                      | 0   | 0.207  | 9.485  | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.76 |
| PCB106 | 5.112                                   | 0.105                      | 0   | -0.017 | 13.632 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB107 | 5.659                                   | 0.097                      | 0   | -0.015 | 13.656 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.76 |
| PCB108 | 5.519                                   | 0.113                      | 0   | -0.293 | 13.644 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB109 | 4.029                                   | 0.155                      | 0   | -0.237 | 12.268 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB110 | 4.837                                   | 0.103                      | 0   | -0.113 | 12.98  | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB111 | 3.875                                   | 0.125                      | 0   | -0.06  | 11.587 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB112 | 4.326                                   | 0.135                      | 0   | -0.384 | 11.558 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |



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|--------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|------|
| PCB113 | 5.421                                   | 0.116                          | 0   | 0.081  | 14.343 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB115 | 4.265                                   | 0.161                          | 0   | -0.085 | 12.987 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB116 | 2.990                                   | 0.345                          | 0   | 0.085  | 12.21  | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.76 |
| PCB117 | 4.109                                   | 0.143                          | 0   | 0.09   | 12.298 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB119 | 4.717                                   | 0.164                          | 0   | -0.409 | 12.959 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB120 | 5.220                                   | 0.101                          | 0   | -0.066 | 13.69  | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB121 | 3.977                                   | 0.269                          | 0   | -0.564 | 12.283 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.76 |
| PCB122 | 5.996                                   | 0.129                          | 0   | -0.29  | 13.558 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.76 |
| PCB123 | 5.885                                   | 0.109                          | 0   | -0.244 | 14.331 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB124 | 5.697                                   | 0.097                          | 0   | -0.063 | 13.605 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.76 |
| PCB125 | 4.931                                   | 0.186                          | 0   | -0.559 | 12.111 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB127 | 6.019                                   | 0.102                          | 0   | -0.022 | 15.049 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB129 | 4.927                                   | 0.101                          | 0   | -0.145 | 13.049 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB130 | 4.423                                   | 0.113                          | 0   | -0.042 | 12.491 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB131 | 3.557                                   | 0.173                          | 0   | -0.112 | 11.811 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB132 | 4.078                                   | 0.116                          | 0   | -0.109 | 11.795 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB133 | 4.423                                   | 0.113                          | 0   | -0.042 | 12.491 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB134 | 3.557                                   | 0.141                          | 0   | -0.011 | 11.198 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB135 | 3.623                                   | 0.133                          | 0   | -0.055 | 11.202 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB136 | 2.420                                   | 0.264                          | 0   | 0.232  | 9.962  | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB137 | 4.670                                   | 0.161                          | 0   | -0.04  | 13.727 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB138 | 5.208                                   | 0.102                          | 0   | -0.038 | 13.736 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB139 | 3.226                                   | 0.321                          | 0   | 0.043  | 12.485 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.76 |
| PCB140 | 3.572                                   | 0.253                          | 0   | -0.21  | 12.453 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.76 |

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|--------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|------|
| PCB141 | 4.635                                      | 0.124                      | 0   | 0.063  | 13.064 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB142 | 4.167                                      | 0.123                      | 0   | -0.01  | 12.161 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB143 | 3.564                                      | 0.168                      | 0   | -0.156 | 11.721 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB144 | 3.277                                      | 0.231                      | 0   | 0.097  | 11.847 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB145 | 1.797                                      | 0.448                      | 0   | 0.178  | 10.544 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.76 |
| PCB146 | 4.662                                      | 0.123                      | 0   | 0.063  | 13.107 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB147 | 3.223                                      | 0.249                      | 0   | 0.142  | 11.864 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB148 | 3.118                                      | 0.271                      | 0   | -0.159 | 11.855 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.76 |
| PCB149 | 3.799                                      | 0.155                      | 0   | 0.099  | 11.83  | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB150 | 1.834                                      | 0.445                      | 0   | 0.178  | 10.602 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.76 |
| PCB151 | 3.276                                      | 0.206                      | 0   | 0.198  | 11.232 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB152 | 1.877                                      | 0.358                      | 0   | 0.229  | 9.943  | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB154 | 3.295                                      | 0.304                      | 0   | -0.002 | 12.492 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.76 |
| PCB155 | 1.250                                      | 0.819                      | 0   | 0.126  | 11.25  | 0     | 0             | 6              | 0.76 |
| PCB157 | 6.345                                      | 0.121                      | 0   | -0.282 | 14.969 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB158 | 4.981                                      | 0.146                      | 0   | -0.246 | 13.746 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB159 | 5.208                                      | 0.147                      | 0   | -0.134 | 14.359 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB160 | 3.820                                      | 0.264                      | 0   | -0.103 | 13.088 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.76 |
| PCB161 | 4.273                                      | 0.242                      | 0   | -0.401 | 13.121 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.76 |
| PCB162 | 5.728                                      | 0.099                      | 0   | -0.132 | 14.34  | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB163 | 4.898                                      | 0.102                      | 0   | -0.098 | 13.11  | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB164 | 5.276                                      | 0.134                      | 0   | -0.396 | 13.026 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76 |
| PCB165 | 4.192                                      | 0.152                      | 0   | -0.251 | 12.493 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.76 |
| PCB166 | 4.018                                      | 0.301                      | 0   | 0.05   | 13.749 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.76 |

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|--------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCB169 | 6.795                                      | 0.111                      | 0   | -0.018 | 16.28  | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.76  |
| PCB170 | 5.280                                      | 0.146                      | 0   | -0.171 | 14.376 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.754 |
| PCB171 | 3.981                                      | 0.253                      | 0   | -0.154 | 13.212 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.754 |
| PCB172 | 4.791                                      | 0.153                      | 0   | -0.088 | 13.795 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.754 |
| PCB173 | 3.475                                      | 0.279                      | 0   | -0.075 | 12.596 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.754 |
| PCB174 | 4.062                                      | 0.161                      | 0   | -0.115 | 12.586 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.754 |
| PCB175 | 3.573                                      | 0.267                      | 0   | -0.117 | 12.654 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.754 |
| PCB176 | 2.461                                      | 0.392                      | 0   | 0.14   | 11.49  | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.754 |
| PCB177 | 4.033                                      | 0.167                      | 0   | -0.073 | 12.636 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.754 |
| PCB178 | 3.625                                      | 0.184                      | 0   | -0.034 | 12.082 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.754 |
| PCB179 | 2.588                                      | 0.292                      | 0   | 0.176  | 10.929 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.754 |
| PCB180 | 5.005                                      | 0.170                      | 0   | 0.026  | 14.392 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.754 |
| PCB181 | 3.106                                      | 0.500                      | 0   | 0.084  | 13.22  | 0     | 0             | 5              | 0.754 |
| PCB182 | 3.502                                      | 0.397                      | 0   | -0.199 | 13.198 | 0     | 0             | 5              | 0.754 |
| PCB183 | 3.717                                      | 0.306                      | 0   | 0.043  | 13.246 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.754 |
| PCB184 | 1.825                                      | 0.773                      | 0   | 0.103  | 12.09  | 0     | 0             | 6              | 0.754 |
| PCB185 | 3.209                                      | 0.352                      | 0   | 0.122  | 12.627 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.754 |
| PCB186 | 1.883                                      | 0.580                      | 0   | 0.137  | 11.416 | 0     | 0             | 5              | 0.754 |
| PCB187 | 1.952                                      | 0.577                      | 0   | 0.137  | 11.524 | 0     | 0             | 5              | 0.754 |
| PCB188 | 1.952                                      | 0.577                      | 0   | 0.137  | 11.524 | 0     | 0             | 5              | 0.754 |
| PCB190 | 4.696                                      | 0.249                      | 0   | -0.129 | 14.394 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.754 |
| PCB191 | 5.090                                      | 0.246                      | 0   | -0.411 | 14.371 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.754 |
| PCB192 | 4.021                                      | 0.378                      | 0   | -0.288 | 13.812 | 0     | 0             | 5              | 0.754 |
| PCB193 | 5.065                                      | 0.148                      | 0   | -0.283 | 13.781 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.754 |

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|----------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| <b>PCB194</b>  | 5.039                                   | 0.250                          | 0     | -0.122 | 14.931 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.745 |
| <b>PCB195</b>  | 3.817                                   | 0.409                          | 0     | -0.124 | 13.846 | 0     | 0             | 5              | 0.745 |
| <b>PCB196</b>  | 3.881                                   | 0.398                          | 0     | -0.165 | 13.852 | 0     | 0             | 5              | 0.745 |
| <b>PCB197</b>  | 2.349                                   | 0.730                          | 0     | 0.067  | 12.813 | 0     | 0             | 6              | 0.745 |
| <b>PCB198</b>  | 3.452                                   | 0.422                          | 0     | -0.101 | 13.323 | 0     | 0             | 5              | 0.745 |
| <b>PCB199</b>  | 3.974                                   | 0.263                          | 0     | -0.098 | 13.31  | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.745 |
| <b>PCB200</b>  | 2.483                                   | 0.527                          | 0     | 0.089  | 12.232 | 0     | 0             | 5              | 0.745 |
| <b>PCB201</b>  | 2.515                                   | 0.525                          | 0     | 0.089  | 12.282 | 0     | 0             | 5              | 0.745 |
| <b>PCB202</b>  | 2.682                                   | 0.370                          | 0     | 0.113  | 11.757 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.745 |
| <b>PCB203</b>  | 3.561                                   | 0.480                          | 0     | 0.067  | 13.878 | 0     | 0             | 5              | 0.745 |
| <b>PCB204</b>  | 1.805                                   | 1.011                          | 0     | 0.065  | 12.795 | 0     | 0             | 7              | 0.745 |
| <b>PCB205</b>  | 4.783                                   | 0.376                          | 0     | -0.314 | 14.932 | 0     | 0             | 5              | 0.745 |
| <b>PCB206</b>  | 3.699                                   | 0.602                          | 0     | -0.155 | 14.406 | 0     | 0             | 6              | 0.733 |
| <b>PCB207</b>  | 2.293                                   | 0.963                          | 0     | 0.016  | 13.426 | 0     | 0             | 7              | 0.733 |
| <b>PCB208</b>  | 2.496                                   | 0.703                          | 0     | 0.026  | 12.925 | 0     | 0             | 6              | 0.733 |
| <b>PCDD000</b> | 3.197                                   | 0.374                          | 0.286 | -0.296 | 7.058  | 2     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>PCDD002</b> | 5.459                                   | 0.126                          | 0.286 | 0.056  | 10.322 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.521 |
| <b>PCDD003</b> | 5.889                                   | 0.125                          | 0.286 | -0.059 | 10.959 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.625 |
| <b>PCDD004</b> | 5.376                                   | 0.085                          | 0.286 | -0.059 | 10.993 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.625 |
| <b>PCDD005</b> | 4.723                                   | 0.145                          | 0.286 | 0.028  | 9.321  | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.625 |
| <b>PCDD006</b> | 5.266                                   | 0.236                          | 0.286 | -0.347 | 9.32   | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.625 |
| <b>PCDD007</b> | 5.931                                   | 0.124                          | 0.286 | -0.059 | 11.025 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.625 |
| <b>PCDD008</b> | 5.899                                   | 0.124                          | 0.286 | -0.055 | 10.984 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.625 |
| <b>PCDD009</b> | 5.340                                   | 0.278                          | 0.286 | -0.433 | 9.24   | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.625 |

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|---------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCDD010 | 6.541                                   | 0.085                          | 0.286 | 0.233  | 12.651 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.625 |
| PCDD011 | 6.617                                   | 0.084                          | 0.286 | 0.233  | 12.771 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.625 |
| PCDD013 | 6.329                                   | 0.053                          | 0.286 | 0.081  | 12.936 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.682 |
| PCDD015 | 6.349                                   | 0.150                          | 0.286 | -0.176 | 11.538 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.682 |
| PCDD016 | 6.950                                   | 0.084                          | 0.286 | 0.081  | 13.07  | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.682 |
| PCDD017 | 6.910                                   | 0.084                          | 0.286 | 0.085  | 13.016 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.682 |
| PCDD018 | 6.382                                   | 0.176                          | 0.286 | -0.246 | 11.43  | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.682 |
| PCDD023 | 6.404                                   | 0.051                          | 0.286 | 0.085  | 13.063 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.682 |
| PCDD024 | 5.893                                   | 0.118                          | 0.286 | -0.249 | 11.496 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.682 |
| PCDD025 | 5.401                                   | 0.169                          | 0.286 | -0.183 | 10.029 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.682 |
| PCDD027 | 6.200                                   | 0.070                          | 0.286 | -0.059 | 13.324 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.714 |
| PCDD028 | 6.296                                   | 0.079                          | 0.286 | -0.131 | 13.311 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.714 |
| PCDD029 | 5.895                                   | 0.076                          | 0.286 | -0.079 | 11.955 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.714 |
| PCDD030 | 5.603                                   | 0.140                          | 0.286 | -0.095 | 10.617 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.714 |
| PCDD031 | 5.888                                   | 0.077                          | 0.286 | -0.082 | 11.937 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.714 |
| PCDD032 | 5.862                                   | 0.077                          | 0.286 | -0.079 | 11.903 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.714 |
| PCDD033 | 6.329                                   | 0.056                          | 0.286 | 0.225  | 13.333 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.714 |
| PCDD034 | 6.318                                   | 0.056                          | 0.286 | 0.225  | 13.316 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.714 |
| PCDD035 | 7.244                                   | 0.043                          | 0.286 | 0.18   | 14.67  | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.714 |
| PCDD036 | 6.733                                   | 0.064                          | 0.286 | -0.062 | 13.314 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.714 |
| PCDD037 | 6.827                                   | 0.077                          | 0.286 | 0.229  | 13.283 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.714 |
| PCDD038 | 6.798                                   | 0.078                          | 0.286 | -0.127 | 13.268 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.714 |
| PCDD039 | 6.413                                   | 0.121                          | 0.286 | -0.079 | 11.929 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.714 |
| PCDD041 | 6.684                                   | 0.065                          | 0.286 | -0.062 | 13.237 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.714 |

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|---------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCDD042 | 7.237                       | 0.043                      | 0.286 | 0.176  | 14.65  | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.714 |
| PCDD043 | 7.211                       | 0.043                      | 0.286 | 0.18   | 14.618 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.714 |
| PCDD044 | 6.739                       | 0.078                      | 0.286 | -0.127 | 13.174 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.714 |
| PCDD045 | 8.305                       | 0.082                      | 0.286 | 0.421  | 16.048 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.714 |
| PCDD046 | 7.762                       | 0.071                      | 0.286 | 0.18   | 14.644 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.714 |
| PCDD047 | 7.288                       | 0.112                      | 0.286 | -0.065 | 13.338 | 2     | 1             | 0              | 0.714 |
| PCDD049 | 6.239                       | 0.066                      | 0.286 | -0.011 | 13.529 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.73  |
| PCDD050 | 6.225                       | 0.066                      | 0.286 | -0.008 | 13.514 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.73  |
| PCDD051 | 6.013                       | 0.068                      | 0.286 | -0.033 | 12.28  | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.73  |
| PCDD052 | 6.959                       | 0.061                      | 0.286 | 0.018  | 14.729 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.73  |
| PCDD055 | 6.769                       | 0.056                      | 0.286 | -0.011 | 13.521 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.73  |
| PCDD056 | 6.721                       | 0.056                      | 0.286 | -0.008 | 13.452 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.73  |
| PCDD057 | 6.736                       | 0.056                      | 0.286 | -0.008 | 13.476 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.73  |
| PCDD058 | 6.164                       | 0.067                      | 0.286 | -0.011 | 13.411 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.73  |
| PCDD060 | 7.504                       | 0.053                      | 0.286 | 0.014  | 14.735 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.73  |
| PCDD061 | 7.948                       | 0.047                      | 0.286 | 0.249  | 15.971 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.73  |
| PCDD062 | 7.532                       | 0.062                      | 0.286 | -0.043 | 14.649 | 2     | 1             | 1              | 0.73  |
| PCDD063 | 6.308                       | 0.065                      | 0.286 | 0.008  | 13.697 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.737 |
| PCDD064 | 6.300                       | 0.065                      | 0.286 | 0.008  | 13.684 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.737 |
| PCDD065 | 6.418                       | 0.124                      | 0.286 | 0.038  | 14.78  | 2     | 1             | 3              | 0.737 |
| PCDD067 | 6.945                       | 0.060                      | 0.286 | 0.041  | 14.775 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.737 |
| PCDD068 | 6.258                       | 0.065                      | 0.286 | 0.008  | 13.618 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.737 |
| PCDD069 | 7.268                       | 0.089                      | 0.286 | 0.327  | 15.935 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.737 |
| PCDD070 | 7.635                       | 0.063                      | 0.286 | 0.072  | 15.932 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.737 |

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|---------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCDD071 | 6.940                                      | 0.061                      | 0.286 | 0.038  | 14.759 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.737 |
| PCDD072 | 7.687                                      | 0.066                      | 0.286 | 0.014  | 15.881 | 2     | 1             | 2              | 0.737 |
| PCDD073 | 6.464                                      | 0.124                      | 0.286 | 0.033  | 14.842 | 2     | 1             | 3              | 0.737 |
| PCDD074 | 7.066                                      | 0.126                      | 0.286 | 0.072  | 15.879 | 2     | 1             | 3              | 0.737 |
| PCDE047 | 3.275                                      | 0.198                      | 0     | 0.157  | 12.036 | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.732 |
| PCDE066 | 6.084                                      | 0.224                      | 0     | 0.178  | 13.447 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDE077 | 7.676                                      | 0.316                      | 0     | 0.129  | 14.998 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PCDE085 | 5.265                                      | 0.183                      | 0     | 0.023  | 12.674 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDE099 | 5.432                                      | 0.220                      | 0     | 0.294  | 13.556 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDE101 | 5.749                                      | 0.240                      | 0     | 0.302  | 13.231 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDE102 | 4.700                                      | 0.190                      | 0     | 0.007  | 11.749 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDE105 | 6.620                                      | 0.222                      | 0     | 0.047  | 14.019 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDE118 | 6.637                                      | 0.186                      | 0     | 0.05   | 14.896 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDE126 | 8.675                                      | 0.278                      | 0     | 0.01   | 17.17  | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDE128 | 5.794                                      | 0.187                      | 0     | -0.104 | 13.225 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDE137 | 5.920                                      | 0.208                      | 0     | 0.149  | 14.844 | 1     | 1             | 3              | 0.749 |
| PCDE138 | 5.903                                      | 0.187                      | 0     | 0.149  | 13.974 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDE140 | 5.492                                      | 0.240                      | 0     | -0.134 | 14.367 | 1     | 1             | 4              | 0.749 |
| PCDE147 | 4.497                                      | 0.214                      | 0     | 0.115  | 12.527 | 1     | 1             | 3              | 0.749 |
| PCDE153 | 6.027                                      | 0.245                      | 0     | 0.402  | 14.747 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDE154 | 4.532                                      | 0.279                      | 0     | 0.119  | 13.433 | 1     | 1             | 4              | 0.749 |
| PCDE157 | 7.072                                      | 0.200                      | 0     | -0.073 | 15.309 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDE167 | 7.137                                      | 0.199                      | 0     | 0.18   | 15.988 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDE170 | 6.369                                      | 0.196                      | 0     | 0.01   | 15.227 | 1     | 1             | 3              | 0.746 |

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|---------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCDE180 | 6.414                                   | 0.234                          | 0     | 0.252  | 15.85  | 1     | 1             | 3              | 0.746 |
| PCDE181 | 4.172                                   | 0.440                          | 0     | 0.212  | 13.915 | 1     | 1             | 5              | 0.746 |
| PCDE182 | 4.958                                   | 0.357                          | 0     | -0.024 | 14.613 | 1     | 1             | 5              | 0.746 |
| PCDE184 | 3.388                                   | 0.507                          | 0     | -0.118 | 12.77  | 1     | 1             | 6              | 0.746 |
| PCDE190 | 5.259                                   | 0.334                          | 0     | 0.301  | 14.986 | 1     | 1             | 4              | 0.746 |
| PCDE194 | 5.785                                   | 0.272                          | 0     | 0.103  | 15.35  | 1     | 1             | 4              | 0.74  |
| PCDE196 | 5.111                                   | 0.379                          | 0     | 0.063  | 15.04  | 1     | 1             | 5              | 0.74  |
| PCDE197 | 3.578                                   | 0.528                          | 0     | -0.033 | 13.251 | 1     | 1             | 6              | 0.74  |
| PCDE203 | 4.707                                   | 0.473                          | 0     | 0.297  | 14.939 | 1     | 1             | 5              | 0.74  |
| PCDE206 | 5.011                                   | 0.579                          | 0     | 0.137  | 15.873 | 1     | 1             | 6              | 0.73  |
| PCDF001 | 4.597                                   | 0.154                          | 0.308 | -0.271 | 7.191  | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.544 |
| PCDF005 | 5.470                                   | 0.091                          | 0.308 | 0.017  | 9.445  | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF006 | 5.646                                   | 0.066                          | 0.308 | -0.254 | 9.947  | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.648 |
| PCDF007 | 4.793                                   | 0.128                          | 0.308 | 0.155  | 8.695  | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF008 | 5.522                                   | 0.151                          | 0.308 | -0.347 | 8.696  | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF009 | 6.177                                   | 0.111                          | 0.308 | -0.249 | 9.951  | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF010 | 5.596                                   | 0.091                          | 0.308 | -0.072 | 9.441  | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF011 | 4.432                                   | 0.133                          | 0.308 | 0.038  | 7.86   | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF013 | 3.957                                   | 0.166                          | 0.308 | 0.133  | 10.388 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.648 |
| PCDF015 | 6.748                                   | 0.067                          | 0.308 | 0.138  | 11.733 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF017 | 6.561                                   | 0.083                          | 0.308 | -0.137 | 10.812 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF018 | 6.591                                   | 0.082                          | 0.308 | -0.132 | 10.87  | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF019 | 7.441                                   | 0.081                          | 0.308 | -0.133 | 12.206 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDF020 | 4.477                                   | 0.146                          | 0.308 | -0.23  | 9.536  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |



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|---------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCDF021 | 6.290                                      | 0.037                      | 0.308 | -0.06  | 11.521 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF022 | 5.156                                      | 0.113                      | 0.308 | 0.265  | 10.478 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF023 | 6.313                                      | 0.088                      | 0.308 | -0.144 | 10.523 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF024 | 6.888                                      | 0.070                      | 0.308 | -0.056 | 11.629 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF025 | 6.384                                      | 0.071                      | 0.308 | 0.081  | 11.149 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF026 | 5.497                                      | 0.095                      | 0.308 | 0.08   | 9.75   | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF027 | 5.715                                      | 0.052                      | 0.308 | 0.055  | 10.879 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF030 | 6.460                                      | 0.040                      | 0.308 | -0.133 | 11.623 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF031 | 5.448                                      | 0.054                      | 0.308 | -0.053 | 10.211 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF032 | 5.791                                      | 0.092                      | 0.308 | -0.105 | 9.79   | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF033 | 6.273                                      | 0.073                      | 0.308 | 0.063  | 10.933 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF034 | 5.818                                      | 0.096                      | 0.308 | 0.196  | 10.519 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF035 | 4.915                                      | 0.131                      | 0.308 | 0.195  | 9.096  | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF037 | 7.209                                      | 0.060                      | 0.308 | 0.06   | 12.4   | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF038 | 7.947                                      | 0.060                      | 0.308 | 0.067  | 13.577 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF040 | 6.927                                      | 0.080                      | 0.308 | -0.129 | 11.524 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF041 | 4.689                                      | 0.126                      | 0.308 | -0.032 | 11.282 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF042 | 6.717                                      | 0.035                      | 0.308 | 0.056  | 12.458 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF043 | 4.738                                      | 0.174                      | 0.308 | 0.269  | 12.046 | 1     | 0             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF044 | 7.150                                      | 0.106                      | 0.308 | -0.241 | 11.619 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF045 | 7.793                                      | 0.087                      | 0.308 | -0.153 | 12.832 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF047 | 6.845                                      | 0.143                      | 0.308 | -0.353 | 10.884 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDF048 | 5.857                                      | 0.058                      | 0.308 | -0.22  | 10.475 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.703 |
| PCDF050 | 6.115                                      | 0.041                      | 0.308 | -0.068 | 11.289 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |

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|---------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCDF051 | 4.831                                      | 0.196                      | 0.308 | 0.076  | 12.656 | 1     | 0             | 2              | 0.732 |
| PCDF052 | 6.483                                      | 0.047                      | 0.308 | -0.177 | 11.62  | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF053 | 6.026                                      | 0.043                      | 0.308 | -0.005 | 11.294 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF054 | 7.561                                      | 0.051                      | 0.308 | -0.192 | 13.283 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF055 | 6.930                                      | 0.032                      | 0.308 | -0.023 | 12.676 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF056 | 6.453                                      | 0.049                      | 0.308 | 0.149  | 12.317 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF058 | 6.043                                      | 0.082                      | 0.308 | 0.257  | 11.918 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF059 | 6.183                                      | 0.050                      | 0.308 | -0.135 | 12.087 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.732 |
| PCDF060 | 7.452                                      | 0.102                      | 0.308 | -0.383 | 12.676 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF061 | 6.565                                      | 0.038                      | 0.308 | -0.103 | 11.918 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF062 | 7.015                                      | 0.090                      | 0.308 | -0.173 | 11.624 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PCDF063 | 7.040                                      | 0.063                      | 0.308 | 0.089  | 12.262 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PCDF064 | 5.759                                      | 0.055                      | 0.308 | 0.075  | 11.055 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF066 | 6.984                                      | 0.066                      | 0.308 | -0.278 | 12.179 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF067 | 7.240                                      | 0.036                      | 0.308 | -0.1   | 12.988 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF068 | 5.838                                      | 0.086                      | 0.308 | 0.142  | 12.176 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.732 |
| PCDF069 | 7.039                                      | 0.031                      | 0.308 | -0.02  | 12.854 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF070 | 5.437                                      | 0.115                      | 0.308 | 0.215  | 10.025 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PCDF073 | 7.573                                      | 0.065                      | 0.308 | -0.017 | 12.859 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PCDF074 | 5.737                                      | 0.055                      | 0.308 | 0.072  | 11.014 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF075 | 7.508                                      | 0.101                      | 0.308 | -0.211 | 12.313 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PCDF076 | 5.347                                      | 0.084                      | 0.308 | 0.177  | 10.639 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF078 | 6.306                                      | 0.038                      | 0.308 | -0.03  | 11.677 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF082 | 8.216                                      | 0.129                      | 0.308 | -0.271 | 13.291 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |

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|---------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCDF083 | 8.306                                      | 0.070                      | 0.308 | -0.013 | 14.022 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PCDF084 | 5.902                                      | 0.093                      | 0.308 | 0.18   | 10.677 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PCDF085 | 6.247                                      | 0.039                      | 0.308 | -0.03  | 11.584 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.732 |
| PCDF086 | 6.406                                      | 0.072                      | 0.308 | 0.078  | 11.238 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PCDF087 | 6.679                                      | 0.050                      | 0.308 | -0.163 | 12.831 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF089 | 7.500                                      | 0.087                      | 0.308 | -0.346 | 13.706 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF090 | 6.679                                      | 0.050                      | 0.308 | -0.163 | 12.831 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF092 | 7.160                                      | 0.043                      | 0.308 | -0.16  | 12.753 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF094 | 7.079                                      | 0.054                      | 0.308 | -0.196 | 13.386 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF096 | 6.366                                      | 0.051                      | 0.308 | -0.035 | 12.631 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF097 | 6.113                                      | 0.048                      | 0.308 | 0.087  | 11.668 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF099 | 6.544                                      | 0.048                      | 0.308 | -0.105 | 12.751 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF100 | 7.130                                      | 0.036                      | 0.308 | -0.102 | 12.838 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF101 | 7.224                                      | 0.049                      | 0.308 | -0.02  | 14.016 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF102 | 6.940                                      | 0.054                      | 0.308 | 0.041  | 13.707 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF105 | 7.592                                      | 0.053                      | 0.308 | -0.196 | 13.351 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF106 | 7.971                                      | 0.080                      | 0.308 | -0.285 | 13.744 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF108 | 6.560                                      | 0.038                      | 0.308 | 0.051  | 12.29  | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF109 | 8.169                                      | 0.056                      | 0.308 | -0.17  | 14.318 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF110 | 6.526                                      | 0.038                      | 0.308 | 0.054  | 12.243 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF111 | 6.201                                      | 0.054                      | 0.308 | 0.139  | 11.925 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF113 | 5.954                                      | 0.066                      | 0.308 | 0.048  | 12.171 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.745 |
| PCDF114 | 7.012                                      | 0.033                      | 0.308 | -0.044 | 12.785 | 1     | 1             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDF115 | 6.684                                      | 0.108                      | 0.308 | -0.131 | 13.764 | 1     | 1             | 3              | 0.749 |

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| Name    | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.<br>4.2 | HAT i/i<br>( $h^*=0.329$ ) | RFD   | MATS5s | Tm     | nHAcc | B04[O-<br>Cl] | F04[Cl-<br>Cl] | LOC   |
|---------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| PCDF116 | 7.597                                      | 0.070                      | 0.308 | -0.26  | 14.063 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDF118 | 6.627                                      | 0.049                      | 0.308 | -0.034 | 13.052 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDF119 | 6.345                                      | 0.058                      | 0.308 | 0.037  | 12.77  | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDF120 | 6.042                                      | 0.075                      | 0.308 | 0.111  | 12.463 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDF121 | 7.518                                      | 0.060                      | 0.308 | -0.205 | 14.064 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDF122 | 7.106                                      | 0.111                      | 0.308 | -0.135 | 14.412 | 1     | 1             | 3              | 0.746 |
| PCDF124 | 6.480                                      | 0.112                      | 0.308 | -0.072 | 13.577 | 1     | 1             | 3              | 0.749 |
| PCDF125 | 6.296                                      | 0.059                      | 0.308 | 0.037  | 12.694 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDF126 | 7.031                                      | 0.048                      | 0.308 | -0.069 | 13.609 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDF127 | 6.714                                      | 0.052                      | 0.308 | 0.004  | 13.276 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDF129 | 6.697                                      | 0.051                      | 0.308 | 0.001  | 13.243 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDF130 | 7.475                                      | 0.054                      | 0.308 | -0.163 | 14.093 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDF131 | 7.554                                      | 0.122                      | 0.308 | -0.251 | 14.853 | 1     | 1             | 3              | 0.746 |
| PCDF132 | 6.738                                      | 0.110                      | 0.308 | -0.099 | 13.915 | 1     | 1             | 3              | 0.746 |
| PCDF133 | 6.470                                      | 0.116                      | 0.308 | -0.037 | 13.634 | 1     | 1             | 3              | 0.746 |
| PCDF135 | 6.821                                      | 0.217                      | 0.308 | -0.193 | 14.661 | 1     | 1             | 4              | 0.74  |
| PCDT000 | 4.031                                      | 0.209                      | 0.308 | -0.153 | 6.662  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| PCDT002 | 5.152                                      | 0.100                      | 0.308 | -0.04  | 9.851  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.544 |
| PCDT007 | 3.840                                      | 0.284                      | 0.308 | 0.338  | 8.87   | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.648 |
| PCDT046 | 6.070                                      | 0.106                      | 0.308 | -0.133 | 11.424 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.703 |
| PCDT076 | 6.298                                      | 0.116                      | 0.308 | 0.053  | 12.269 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.732 |
| PCDT104 | 6.490                                      | 0.115                      | 0.308 | -0.132 | 13.02  | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.745 |
| PCDT125 | 6.159                                      | 0.182                      | 0.308 | -0.078 | 13.473 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.749 |
| PCDT132 | 5.780                                      | 0.282                      | 0.308 | -0.161 | 13.523 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.746 |

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| Name                        | Pred. pIC <sub>50</sub><br>from Eq.<br>4.2 | HAT i/i<br>( <i>h</i> *=0.329) | RFD   | MATS5s | Tm     | nHAcc | B04[O-<br>Cl] | F04[Cl-<br>Cl] | LOC   |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| <b>PCDT135</b>              | 6.138                                      | 0.416                          | 0.308 | -0.306 | 14.586 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.74  |
| <b>PCPhX000</b>             | 3.820                                      | 0.225                          | 0.286 | -0.207 | 7.284  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>PCPhX003</b>             | 4.590                                      | 0.109                          | 0.286 | 0.215  | 10.574 | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0.521 |
| <b>PCPhX010</b>             | 7.394                                      | 0.068                          | 0.286 | 0.157  | 12.862 | 1     | 1             | 0              | 0.625 |
| <b>PCPhX095</b>             | 7.486                                      | 0.086                          | 0.286 | -0.35  | 13.726 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.714 |
| <b>PCPhX128</b>             | 7.908                                      | 0.059                          | 0.286 | -0.165 | 14.846 | 1     | 1             | 2              | 0.73  |
| <b>PCPhX133</b>             | 7.261                                      | 0.118                          | 0.286 | 0.032  | 15.135 | 1     | 1             | 3              | 0.737 |
| <b>PCPhX135</b>             | 7.492                                      | 0.225                          | 0.286 | -0.084 | 16.068 | 1     | 1             | 4              | 0.733 |
| <b>PCTA000</b>              | 4.202                                      | 0.218                          | 0.286 | -0.018 | 7.357  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>PCTA001</b>              | 4.367                                      | 0.113                          | 0.286 | -0.067 | 8.621  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.521 |
| <b>PCTA004</b>              | 5.228                                      | 0.101                          | 0.286 | -0.051 | 11.078 | 0     | 0             | 1              | 0.625 |
| <b>PCTA015</b>              | 6.225                                      | 0.088                          | 0.286 | -0.151 | 11.699 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.682 |
| <b>PCTA047</b>              | 6.769                                      | 0.106                          | 0.286 | 0.161  | 13.337 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.714 |
| <b>PCTA055</b>              | 7.204                                      | 0.154                          | 0.286 | -0.284 | 14.725 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.73  |
| <b>PCTA069</b>              | 7.045                                      | 0.151                          | 0.286 | -0.141 | 14.816 | 0     | 0             | 2              | 0.737 |
| <b>PCTA073</b>              | 7.310                                      | 0.255                          | 0.286 | -0.225 | 15.885 | 0     | 0             | 3              | 0.737 |
| <b>PCTA075</b>              | 6.738                                      | 0.400                          | 0.286 | -0.219 | 15.832 | 0     | 0             | 4              | 0.733 |
| <b>Pentamethylantracene</b> | 4.954                                      | 0.135                          | 0.286 | -0.22  | 9.644  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.73  |
| <b>Phenanthrene</b>         | 4.039                                      | 0.213                          | 0.286 | -0.105 | 6.903  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Quinoline</b>            | 1.664                                      | 0.362                          | 0.2   | -0.181 | 4.408  | 1     | 0             | 0              | 0     |
| <b>Tetramethylantracene</b> | 4.682                                      | 0.139                          | 0.286 | -0.025 | 9.626  | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.714 |
| <b>Tjipanazole</b>          | 9.490                                      | 0.166                          | 0.4   | 0.121  | 16.286 | 0     | 0             | 0              | 0.418 |