# 4-Methoxy-alpha-methylbenzenepropanal

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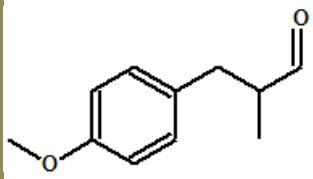
| **CAS N°:** | 5462-06-6 | **Empirical formula:** | $C_{11}H_{14}O_2$ |
| | | **Structure:** |  |
| **Synonyms:** | 2-Anisylpropional<br>Benzenepropanal, 4-methoxy-α-methyl-<br>Hydrocinnamaldehyde, *p*-methoxy-a-methyl<br>*p*-Methoxyhydratropaldehyde<br>4-Methoxy-α-methylbenzenepropanal<br>*p*-Methoxy-α-methylhydrocinnamaldehyde<br>3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2-methylpropanal<br>3-(*p*-Methoxyphenyl)-2-methylpropionaldehyde<br>2-Methyl-3-(*p*-methoxyphenyl)propanal<br>2-Methyl-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)propionaldehyde<br>Canthoxal, Fennaldehyde, Foliaver (commercial names) | | |

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| **History:** | Initial reviews: | June 2009 | |
| | Current revision date: | June 2013 | |
| | Implementation date: | For new submissions*: | August 10, 2013 |
| | | For existing fragrance compounds*: | August 10, 2014 |
| | Next review date | 2018 | |

* This date applies to the supply of fragrance compounds (formulas) only, not to the finished products in the marketplace.

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| **RECOMMENDATION:** | **RESTRICTED** |

## RESTRICTIONS:

| **Limits in the finished product:** | | | |
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| Category 1 See Note box (1) | 0.17 % | Category 7 | 0.45 % |
| Category 2 | 0.22 % | Category 8 | 2.00 % |
| Category 3 | 0.89 % | Category 9 | 5.00 % |
| Category 4 | 2.67 % | Category 10 | 2.50 % |
| Category 5 | 1.40 % | Category 11 | See Note box (2) |
| Category 6 | 4.28 % | | |

Note box:

(1) IFRA would recommend that any material used to impart perfume or flavour in products intended for human ingestion should consist of ingredients that are in compliance with appropriate regulations for foods and food flavourings in the countries of planned distribution and, where these are lacking, with the recommendations laid down in the Code of Practice of IOFI (International Organisation of the Flavor Industry - www.iofiorg.org)
(2) Category 11 includes all non-skin contact or incidental skin contact products. Due to the negligible skin contact from these types of products there is no justification for a restriction of the concentration of this fragrance ingredient in the finished product.

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| **Fragrance material specifications:** | N/A |

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## CONTRIBUTION FROM OTHER SOURCES:

See **Annex II**

## CRITICAL EFFECT: SENSITIZATION

## RIFM SUMMARIES:

| LLNA weighted mean EC3 values ($\mu g/cm^2$) [no. studies] | Potency Classification Based on Animal Data[2] | Human Data | | | WoE NESIL[3] ($\mu g/cm^2$) |
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| | | NOEL – HRIPT (induction) ($\mu g/cm^2$) | NOEL – HMT (induction) ($\mu g/cm^2$) | LOEL[1] (induction) ($\mu g/cm^2$) | |
| 5900 [1][4] | Weak | 5905 | 1380 | NA | 5900 |

All data in this Table are available from RIFM and are listed in the RIFM Database.
NOEL = No observed effect level; HRIPT = Human Repeat Insult Patch Test; HMT = Human Maximization Test; LOEL = lowest observed
effect level; NA = Not Available.

[1] Data derived from HRIPT or HMT
[2] Based on animal data using classification defined in ECETOC, Technical Report No. 87, 2003
[3] WoE NESIL limited to two significant figures
[4] EC3 value from one LLNA, not the mean

## REXPAN RATIONALE / CONCLUSION:

The RIFM Expert Panel reviewed the critical effect data for 4-Methoxy-α-methylbenzenepropanal and, based on the weight of evidence, established the No Expected Sensitization Induction Level (NESIL) as 5900 mg/cm2. They recommend the limits for the 11 different product categories, which are the acceptable use levels of 4-Methoxy-α-methylbenzenepropanal in the various product categories. These were derived from the application of the exposure-based quantitative risk assessment approach for fragrance ingredients, which is detailed in the publication by Api et al., 2008.

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