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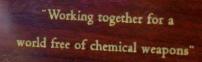
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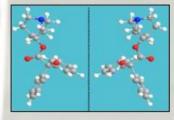






Director-General's Response to Reports of the Scientific Advisory Board EC-82/DG.13, dated 7 June 2016 (SAB-23) EC-84/DG.9, dated 18 January 2017 (SAB-24)





Response to the Director-General's Request to the Scientific Advisory Board to Provide Further Advice on Scheduled Chemicals (SAB-23/WP.1, dated 28 April 2016)

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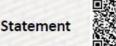


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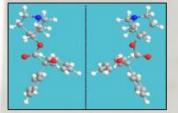








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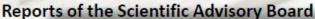


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NOTE BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL **RESPONSE TO THE REPORT OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE** SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD

This Note sets out the Director-General's comments on the report of the

Twenty-Fourth Session of the Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) (SAB-24/1, dated

An understanding of developments in science and technology is crucial to the full and effective implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter "the Convention"), as scientific and technological underpinnings are found throughout its articles. The rapid pace of scientific advances, alongside increased diffusion and globalisation of scientific knowledge, demands scientific literacy and the ability to

With the preparation of the SAB's recommendations to the Fourth Special Session of the Conference of the States Parties to Review the Operation of the Chemical

Weapons Convention (hereinafter "the Fourth Review Conference"), the activities of the SAB have seen a significant increase, as illustrated by the six substantive reports produced in 2016.1 The Director-General encourages States Parties to carefully consider his call for voluntary contributions (S/1450/2017, dated 16 January 2017) to support the work of the SAB. In this regard, the Director-General wishes to thank the

The Director-General wishes to inform States Parties that seven members of the SAB

will be leaving the Board in 2017 and a formal call for nominations has been issued (S/1452/2017, dated 18 January 2017). States Parties wishing to submit nominations

RESPONSE TO THE REPORT OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF

The SAB met in The Hague, the Netherlands, for its Twenty-Fourth Session from 25 to 28 October 2016. The session was chaired by Dr Christopher Timperley, with

Mr Cheng Tang as the Vice-Chairperson. The report of the session was issued as

Reports of the SAB are available at: www.opcw.org/about-opcw/subsidiary-bodies/scientific-advisory-

28 October 2016) and the ongoing work of the SAB.

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Government of New Zealand for its 2016 contribution.

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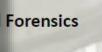


















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PURE AND APPLIED CHEMISTRY





Spiez Laboratory & OPCW Present Science for Diplomats at CSP-21



A Review of three workshops: Spiez CONVERGENCE 2, and the OPCW SAB's Chemical Forensics and Toxicity of Chemical Agents; with lunch



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Science Advice at the OPCW A Side-Event of the 8th Review Conference of the BWC

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Science Advice and Policy-Maker Engagement in Support of the Chemical Weapons Convention Dr Jonathan Forman, OPCW Science Policy Adviser and Secretary to the Scientific Advisory Board

The OPCW Scientific Advisory Board Dr Christopher Timperley, OPCW Scientific Advisory Board Chair

The Role of Designated Laboratories Professor Paula Vanninen, OPCW Scientific Advisory Board

Science Advice on Medical Countermeasure Aspects Against Chemical Warfare Agents Dr Zrinka Kovarik, OPCW Scientific Advisory Board

The Hague Ethical Guidelines: Applying the norms of the practice of chemistry to support the Chemical Weapons Convention Mr Cheng Tang, OPCW Scientific Advisory Board Vice-Chair





Four new SAB members



Overview of developments at OPCW

- OPCW Chemical Demil. Branch provided a briefing on Libya's Category 2 chemicals - removal and destructions operations and an update on Iraq
- OPCW Office of Strategy and Policy updated the SAB on the status of the work of the Open Ended Working Group on Future Priorities of the OPCW







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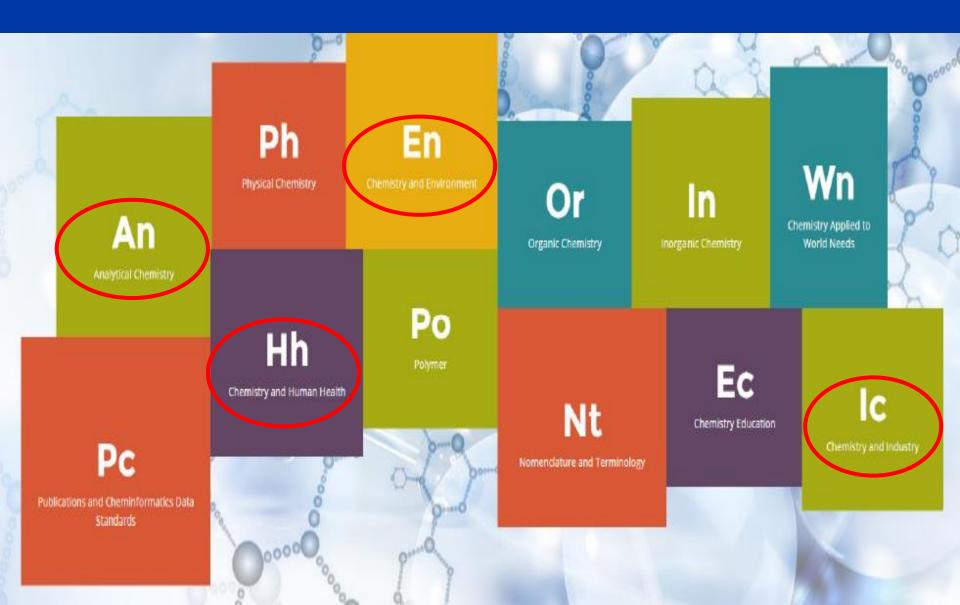
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Nanotechnology



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Analysis of chemical warfare agents in organic liquid samples with magnetic dispersive solid phase extraction and gas chromatography mass spectrometry for verification of the chemical weapons convention

Varoon Singh^a, Ajay Kumar Purohit^a, Sridhar Chinthakindi^a, Goud Raghavender D.^a, Vijay Tak^a, Deepak Pardasani^a, Anchal Roy Shrivastava^b, Devendra Kumar Dubey^{a,*}

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Ultratrace Detection of Toxic Chemicals: Triggered Disassembly of Supramolecular Nanotube Wrappers

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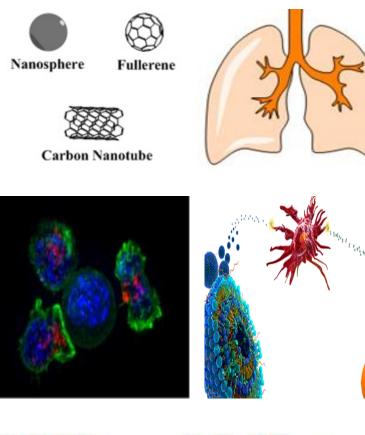
Decontamination of chemical warfare sulfur mustard agent simulant by ZnO nanoparticles

Francois van Straten (SAB, South Africa) talked about nanotechnology from CWC perspective

Scientific advances since Third CWC Rev. Con. have resulted in advances in :

- Analysis of CW agents
- Detection of toxic chemicals
- Decontamination techniques

Nanotoxicology



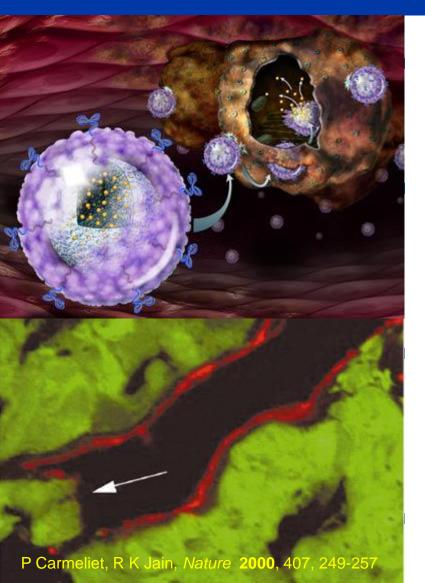
Silica-based NPs

Liposomes



Some limited studies describing the toxicity of nanomaterials in animals exist, but difficult to conclude from these that the materials would be toxic to humans by inhalation or skin contact

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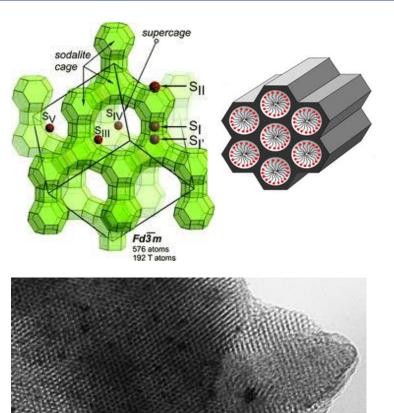
Briefing by Prof. Andrew Wang of University of North Carolina

Novel medicines based on nanoparticles (less than or equal to 100 nm in diameter)

Nano size can impart unique properties and be used for the delivery of therapeutic agents

Research in this area continues

Nanocatalysis



- Briefing by Mongia Said Zina (SAB, Tunisia) gave a briefing on catalysis by nanomaterials for environmental protection
- Nanomaterials are increasingly used as catalysts for chemical production : their structure is ordered with large surface area
- Improved catalysts can result in greener chemical processes

Scientific and technological elements of verification technologies



Toxin analysis



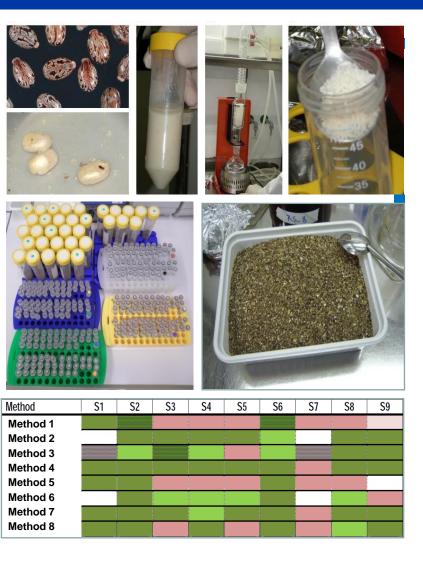
Dr. Brigitte Dorner (Robert Koch Institute, Germany) provided a presentation on detection and identification technologies for biological toxins

Analytical options for ricin :

- Immunological methods
- Spectrometric identification
- Functional methods

Best to use a combination of these analytical techniques

OPCW Laboratory Ricin Exercise

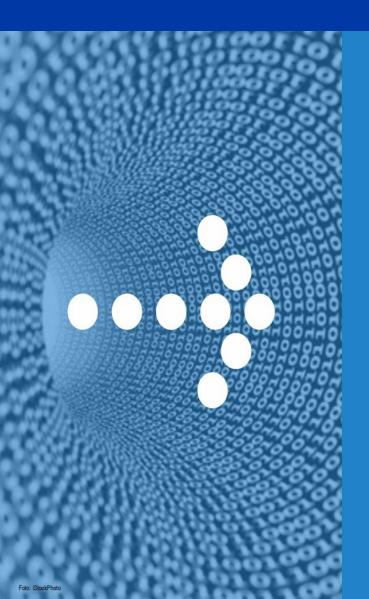


Dr. Stuart Thompson (OPCW Laboratory) informed the SAB about this exercise and results

26 laboratories nominated from 19 member states; 24 reports received by OPCW

Laboratories used different methods in combination and for many of these methods improvements in sensitivity are desirable and are being sought

Chemical and biological forensics



Forensics and source attribution of chem-bio threat agent attacks

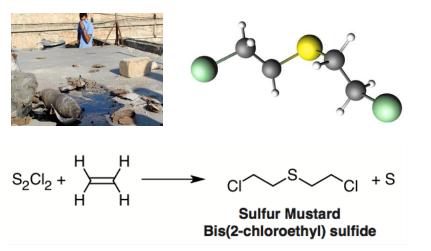
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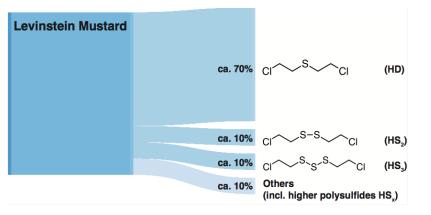
Project Underworld



Levinstein sulfur mustard



Dr. Marc-Michael Blum (OPCW Laboratory) described how computational chemistry and analytical chemistry could be used to determine the route of production of sulfur mustard



Sulfur mustard made by the Levinstein route contains specific polysulfur impurities

Calculations help understand how these by-products form

Inspectorate training

General information about the CWA, CWC, and OPCW

Briefing from Mehran Rouzbahani

Capability to work in a toxic environment

Speciality Training:

- Chemical Production Technologist
- Chemical Weapons-Munition
 Specialist
- Analytical Chemist
- Health and Safety Specialist

Contingency Operations

- SSAFE training;
- Contingency Operation Exercise
- Command and Control
- Interview Skills
- Forensics
- Communication

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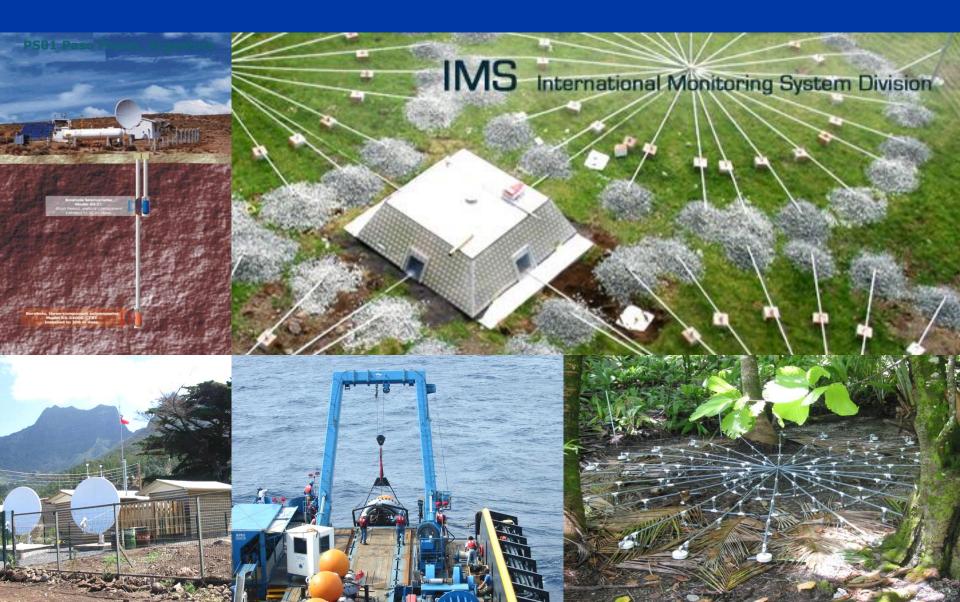
Presentation to SAB by Patrick Grenard, CTBTO

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Visit to Shell Pernis chemical plant



Medical countermeasures



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REPORT OF THE SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD'S WORKSHOP ON CHEMICAL WARFARE AGENT TOXICITY, EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND MEDICAL COUNTERMEASURES

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 The Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) in cooperation with the Secrétariat Général de la Défense et de la Sécurité Nationale (SGDSN) held a workshop on "Chemical Warfare Agents: Toxicity, Emergency Response and Medical Countermeasures" from 26 to 27 September 2016 in Paris, France.¹ The workshop was the second in a series intended to inform the report of the SAB on developments in science and technology to the Fourth Review Conference² of the Chemical Weapons Convention, which is to be held in 2018.
- 1.2 Effective emergency response and medical treatment form a frontline defence against the use of chemical agents. The more effective detection and alarm systems, protective equipment, decontamination equipment, medical antidotes and treatments become; the less effective are chemical weapons. Staying abreast of developments in science and technology related to the toxicology of chemical warfare agents (CWAs), clinical detection of exposure and medical response (both short- and long-term) is of vital importance. This importance is underscored by current events in the Syrian Arab Republic³ and growing concerns over the potential for the use of chemicals by terrorists. In this regard, understanding the molecular biological mechanisms and the chemistry⁴ through which chemical agents event their toxic effects is critical for the development of survivors of exposure.
- 1.3 This workshop brought together experts from relevant scientific fields and stakeholders in chemical security to discuss and review current knowledge and

¹ Funding for the workshop was provided through the generous support of the SGDSN and also project III (Science and Technology: Assessment of Development in Science and Technology) of EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/259 dated 17 February 2015.

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² Fourth Special Session of the Conference of the States Parties to Review the Operation of the Chemical Weapons Convention.

³ Third report of the Organizzation for the Prohibition of Chamical Weapons-United Nations Joint Investigative Mechanism, (United Nations, S/2016/738, dated 24 August 2016). Available at: http://www.mo.org/ga/search/siew_doc.asp?nymbole=2016/738

⁴ D. Ajami, J. Rabek, Jr.; Chemical approaches for detection and destruction of nerve agents; Org. Biomol. Chem., 2013, 11, 3936-3942.



International workshop on chemical warfare agents: toxicity, emergency response and medical countermeasures

Maison de la chimie – Paris September 26-27, 2016

Co-organized by the General Secretariat for Defense and National Security and the Organization for Prohibition of Chemical Weapons



Medical countermeasures

Mahdi Balali-Mood Mohammad Abdollahi *Editors*

Basic and Clinical Toxicology of Mustard Compounds

Presentation by Prof. Mohammad Abdollahi (SAB, Iran) on gene therapy for treating sulfur mustard poisoning

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Delayed toxicity treatment

Skin:

Systemic antihistamine Local emollients Frequent baths Sunscreen lotion and cream

Respiratory system:

- Beclomethasone inhaler
- Brochodilator (salbutamol + ipratropium)

Supportive care

focuses on the prevention of infection and reduction of pain.

• Eye:

- Artificial tears
- Therapeutic contact lenses
- Local/systemic corticosteroid
- Immunosuppressant (e.g. azathioprine)
- Corneal argon laser
- Keratoplasty

Advice on riot control agents



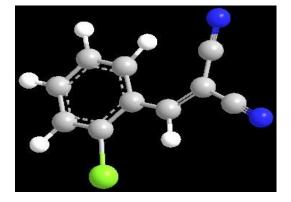
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NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT

DECLARATION OF RIOT CONTROL AGENTS: ADVICE FROM THE SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD

- In accordance with subparagraph 1(e) of Article III of the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter "the Convention"), States Parties are required to declare riot control agents (RCAs), which are defined in paragraph 7 of Article II of the Convention.
- At its Twentieth Session, the Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) was requested by the Director-General (Annex 4 of SAB-20/1, dated 14 June 2013) to provide technical advice on an initial list of RCAs that had been declared by States Parties, researched, or were commercially available.
- The SAB has advised the Director-General that the following 17 chemicals correspond to an RCA as defined by paragraph 7 of Article II of the Convention:







Science for Diplomats at EC-84 What Defines a Riot Control Agent?

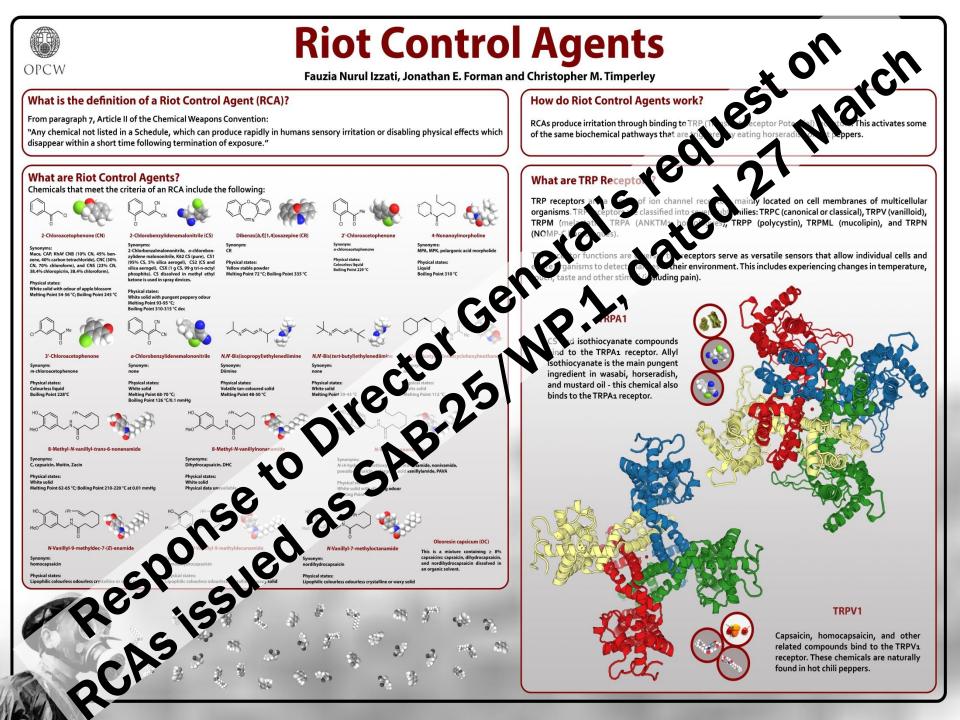
Come activate your TRP receptors and learn about the biochemistry of Riot Control Agents

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Light lunch available at 13.00







Painful chemistry! From barbecue smoke to riot control

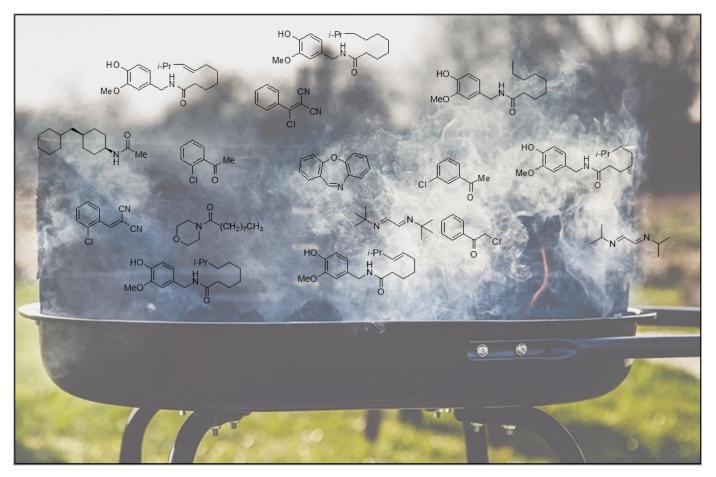
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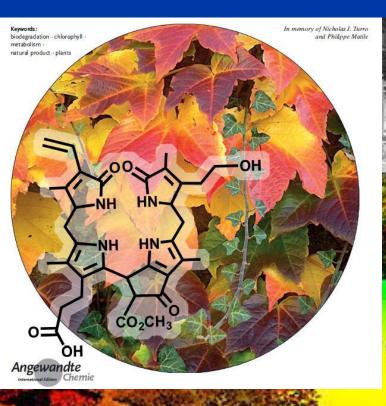
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Workshop on innovative technologies

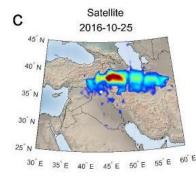




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Innovative technologies programme





Recognition of biochemical change

- If plants could talk
- Large area monitoring
- Chemical sensing





Taking samples in remote and hazardous environments



Workshop on chemical production



Chemical production programme



Aim to examine trends in all sectors of the chemical industry

- Chemical economy
- Commodity chemicals
- Pharmaceuticals
- Fine/speciality chemicals
- Custom automated synthesis
- Biologicals
- Agricultural chemicals
- Regulatory issues

Chemical forensics



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REPORT OF THE SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD'S WORKSHOP ON CHEMICAL FORENSICS

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 The OPCW Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) in cooperation with VERIFIN held a workshop,¹ "Chemical Forensics: Capabilities across the Field and the Potential Applications in Chemical Weapons Convention Implementation", from 20 to 22 June 2016 in Helsinki, Finland. The workshop is one of a series intended to inform the report of the SAB on developments in science and technology to the Fourth Review Conference² of the Chemical Weapons Convention to be held in 2018. Interest in chemical forensics, and its relevance to the work of the OPCW, has been described through Recommendation 17 of the OPCW SAB's Temporary Working group on Verification.³
- 1.2 Forensic science is defined as the study of traces (remnants of presence and/or activity).^{4, 5} These are silent witnesses that need to be detected, seen, and understood to make reasonable inferences about criminal phenomena, investigation or demonstration for intelligence, investigation and court purposes.
- 1.3 Chemical forensics aims to obtain information from chemical remnants that is relevant to investigative, legal and intelligence questions. Just as fingerprints and DNA can provide unique signatures that can be used to identify individuals, chemical samples can provide distinctive signatures (for example through their impurities)

- ² Verification, Report of the Scientific Advisory Board's Temporary Working Group (SAB/REP/1/15, dated June 2015). Available at www.opcw.org/fileadmin/OPCW/SAB/en/Final_Report_of_SAB _TWG_on_Verification__as_presented_to_SAB.pdf
- ⁴ Forensic science on trial. Proceedings of the Plenary presentations from the 20th ANZFSS International Symposium on the forensic sciences, Sydney 2010; Australian Journal of Forensic Sciences, 2011, 43:2-3, 89-103. http://www.tandfohlme.com/toc/tajf20/43/2-3
- ³ C. Roux, F. Crispino, O. Ribaux; Current Issues in Criminal Justice, 2012, 24(1), 7-24. http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/journals/CICrimJust/2012/16.pdf





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Fourth Special Session of the Conference of the States Parties to Review the Operation of the Chemical Weapons Convention.

TWG on investigative studies



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NOTE BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

RESPONSE TO THE REPORT OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD

In accordance with paragraph 9 of the SAB's terms of reference (C-II/DEC.10/Rev.1, dated 2 December 2004), the Director-General requests that the SAB establish a new temporary working group (TWG) and appoint a Chairperson for it. This TWG will address questions relating to science and technology relevant in investigative work, and will undertake further consideration of topics described in paragraph 8 above, other recommendations from the chemical forensics workshop, and in particular questions falling under subparagraphs 2(e) and (g) of the SAB's terms of reference relevant to investigative methods in contingency operations. The Director-General will in the near future prepare a mandate for the TWG, which should hold its first meeting before the end of the first quarter of 2018.



Terms of reference



To review S&T relevant to investigative work, especially for the validation and provenancing (determining the chronology of ownership, custody and/or location) of evidence, and the integration of multiple and diverse inputs to reconstruct a past event

Questions (a – i)

- Which methods and capabilities used in the forensic sciences could usefully be developed and/or adopted for Chemical Weapons Convention-based investigations?
- What are the best practices and analysis tools used in the forensic sciences for effectively cross-referencing, validating, and linking together information related to investigation sites, materials collected/analysed and individuals interviewed?
- What are the best practices for management of data collected in investigations, including compilation, curation, and analytics?
- What are the best practices for the collection, handling, curation and storage, and annotation of evidence?
- Which technologies and methodologies (whether established or new) allow point-of-care and non-destructive measurements at an investigation site to help guide evidence collection?
- Which technologies and methodologies (whether established or new) can be used in provenancing of chemical and/or material samples collected in an investigation?
- Which methods are available (or are being developed) for the sampling and analysis of environmental and biomedical materials that can be used in the detection of toxic industrial chemicals relevant to the Convention?
- Which technologies and methodologies (whether established or new) can be used in provenancing of chemical and/or material samples collected in an investigation?
- Which technologies and methodologies (whether established or new) can be used in ensuring chain of custody and verifying authenticity (especially in regard to digital images and video recordings)?

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Questions (i and k)

Which technologies and methodologies (whether established or new) can be used to ensure the integrity of an investigation site?

Do collections of physical objects, samples and other information for chemical weapons relevant analysis exist that can be made available to investigators for retrospective review? And how might these collections be used to support investigations?

Are there stakeholders that the Technical Secretariat could usefully engage with, to leverage their capabilities on investigative matters?

Medium Term Plan: Result Area 3

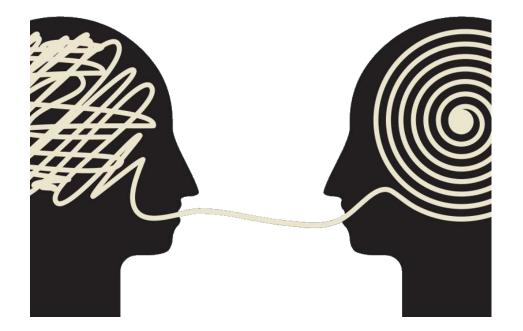
Universal adherence to the Convention Medium-term goal 8: Augmented the Organisation's efforts to reach universality

Medium-term goal 9: Enhanced and sustainable collaboration with other international organisations Medium-term goal 10: Strengthened engagement with broader group of relevant stakeholders

Engagement to leverage others' capabilities

Guidance for Technical Secretariat

In addition, the TWG will provide advice on Secretariat proposals for methodologies, procedures, technologies, and equipment for investigative purposes



TWG going forward

Dr Veronica Borrett (SAB, Australia) appointed as the Chairperson of the TWG by election by the SAB

Recommend membership

The TWG will consist of individuals who collectively have expertise in theory and practice of investigative work; including but not limited to investigational chemical analysis, evidence collection, forensic sciences, informatics, crime scene reconstruction, toxicology, inspection or experience of implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention

6-8 SAB members (including Chair) and 8-10 other experts

TWG history

- **1999-2000**
- **Chemical weapons destruction technologies**
- 1999-2000 Equipment issues
 - **1999-2000** Analytical procedures

Adamsite

- 1999-1999 Ricin production
- 1999-1999
- 2000-2000 Low conc limits (Schedule 2A & 2A* chemicals)
- 2004-2007 Biomedical samples
 - 2007-2012 Sampling and analysis
- 2011-2013 Convergence of chemistry and biology
 - Education and outreach
 - 2013-2015 Verification
- 2018-2020

2012-2014

Investigative science and technology

TWG reports

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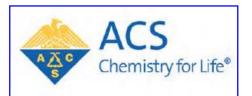
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ACS chemical forensics workshop

- ACS recognises that 'given recent and ongoing reports of incidents involving CW agents and other weaponized toxic chemicals, there is a pressing need for an effective chemical forensics capability in order to help identify and prosecute perpetrators of chemical attacks'
- The ACS Division of Analytical Chemistry, and ACS Chemistry and Law Division, are holding a two day symposium to review developments and topics arising in chemical forensics on 3-4 April 2017







Dr Carlos Fraga

Future SAB diary and work plan

- 2-7 April: ACS Chemical forensics (San Francisco)
- 26 April: OPCW 20 (ceremony at the Ridderzaal)
- 3-5 July: SAB International Workshop on Innovative Technologies for Chemical Security, Rio de Janeiro (IUPAC, Brazilian Acad. Sci., Brazilian Chem. Soc.)
- First week in October (TBC) : SAB International Workshop on Industrial Technology, Zagreb, Croatia
- 16-20 October : SAB-26 meeting (OPCW, The Hague)



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REMEMBRANCE

HEEDING THE LESSONS OF HISTORY

ENSURING AN ETHOS OF SCIENCE FOR PEACE THE HAGUE ETHICAL GUIDELINES

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To promote a culture of responsible conduct in the chemical sciences and to guard against the misuse of chemistry, a group of chemical practitioners from around the world formulate a set of ethical guidelines informed by the CWC.

