

Polycarbonate/Bisphenol A group

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SCCS finds no risk from BPA in clothing

The European Commission's Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety (SCCS) published its <u>final opinion</u> <u>on the safety of presence of Bisphenol A in clothing articles</u>. The SCCS concludes that "there is no risk for adverse effects of the estimated exposure levels of BPA resulting from the use of clothes, independent of the age group of the consumer." The opinion was adopted during the SCCS's plenary meeting on 30-31 March 2021.

Low exposure to BPA from clothing – no risk for any population group

SCCS found that overall concentration of BPA in clothing articles, similar for purchases all over the world, is very low. This is resulting in only very low exposure levels. The SCCS has concluded: "Based on the conservative BPA exposure estimates identified in this Opinion for adults and toddlers, there is no risk for systemic health effects due to the use of clothing articles. This also applies for young children as, compared to toddlers, less mouthing of textiles would result even in decreased oral exposure, and therefore overall BPA exposure."

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