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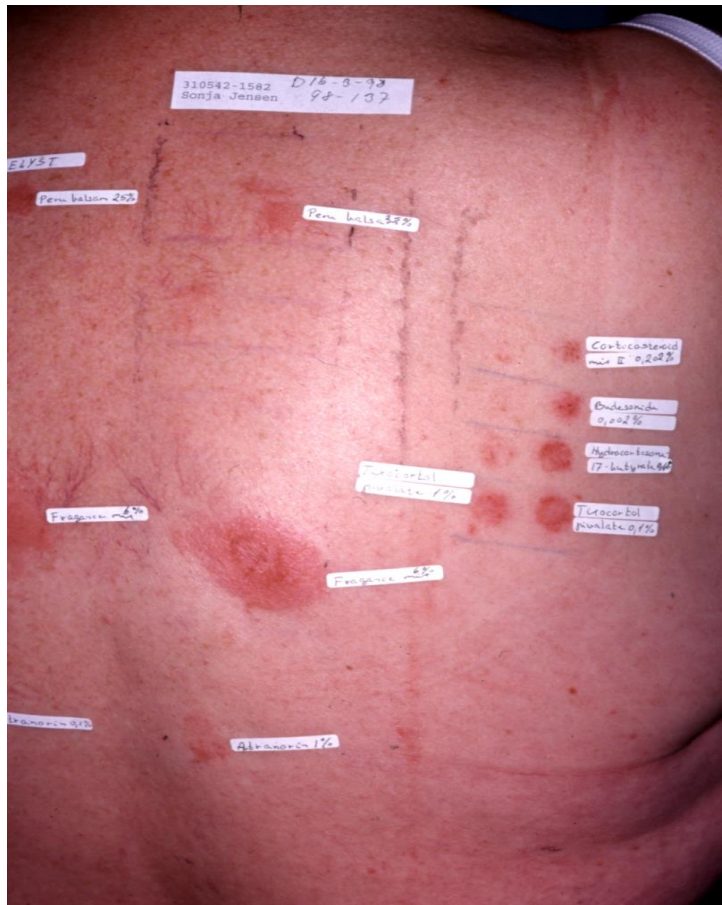
Available data from diagnostic patch test and clinical studies
(HRIPT, ROAT, etc.)

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Elicitation tests for contact allergy/allergic contact dermatitis

- Diagnostic patch test



- Repeated Open Application Test (ROAT)



How common is perfume allergy?

- 949 consecutive eczema patients answered a questionnaire on perfume allergy prior to patch testing:
- The responses were categorised as "certain", "probable", "possible" or "none"
- **7.4%** had a "certain" perfume allergy defined by a history that they had developed an itching dermatitis from exposure to one denominated fine perfume or aftershave, and they had reacted to other perfumed products

Schollhammer et al *Contact Dermatitis*, **66**, 340–355 2012

Patch test studies

Fragrance mix I patch test reactions in 5006 consecutive dermatitis patients tested simultaneously with TRUE Test[®] and Trolab[®] test material

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Contact Dermatitis 2010: 63: 248–253

- Retrospective study - 5006 patients
- The patches were read on D3 and D5- D7.
- If a patient had a positive reaction to one of the FM I tests at the first reading, usually at D3, the individual constituents of FM I (Trolab[®]) each in 1% concentration in petrolatum were tested whenever possible and read once at the second reading.
- All patients with a +, ++ or +++ to one or both FM I test materials were regarded as positive and included in the analysis.
- The clinical relevance was recorded as present or past.

Results,

- 9.9% had a positive reaction to one of the FM I
- 4.4% had a positive reaction to FM I (TRUETest®)
- 9,3% had a positive reaction to FM I (Trolab®)
- 3.7% had a positive reaction to both.

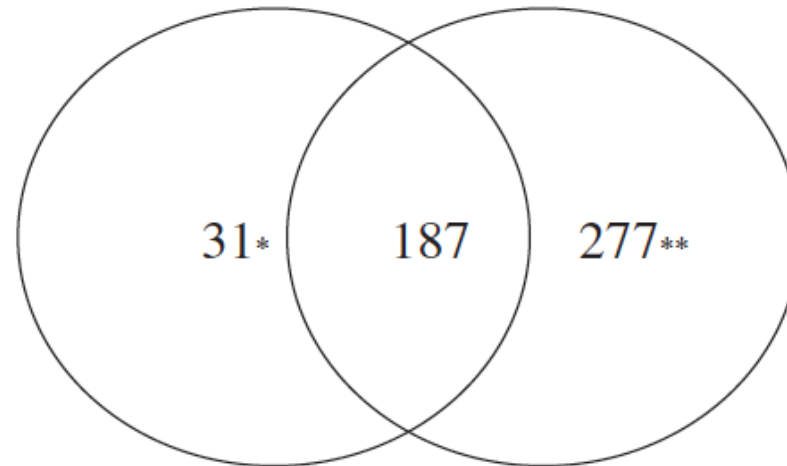
Significant difference between the 2 tests in frequency of positive reactions ($p < 0.0001$).

Patients with stronger reaction to FM I TRUETest® (++/+++) reacted almost all to FM I Trolab® (resp. 98% and 100%).

Conversely, only 58% with a ++ and 86% with a +++ reaction to FM I Trolab® had concomitant positive reaction to FM I TRUETest®.

Positive for FM I
TRUE Test®

Positive for FM I
Trolab®



	FM I Trolab®		
FM I TRUE Test®	Negative	Positive	Total
Negative	4511	277	4788
Positive	31	187	218
Total	4542	464	5006

Fig. 1. Patch test results in 5006 patients tested with fragrance mix (FM) I both in TRUE Test® and in pet. (Trolab®).

*Of the 31 (29+ and 2++) patients positive only in FM I TRUE Test, 19 had a ? reaction to FM I from Trolab®, and 12 had no reaction.

**Of the 277 (193+, 78++, and 6+++) patients positive only in FM I Trolab, 103 had a ? reaction to FM I TRUE Test, 12 had a follicular reaction, and 162 had no reaction.

Table 1. Relationship between the strength of reaction to fragrance mix (FM) I TRUE Test[®] and the number of reactions to FM I Trolab[®]

Strength of TRUE Test [®] FM I test reaction	Number of patients	Number (%) of patients with concomitant reaction to FM I Trolab [®]
+	119	90 (75.6)
++	86	84 (97.7)
+++	13	13 (100.0)
All	218	187 (85.8)

Table 2. Relationship between the strength of reaction to fragrance mix (FM) I in pet. (Trolab[®]) and the number of reactions to FM I TRUE Test[®]

Strength of Trolab [®] FM I test reaction	Number of patients	Number of patients (%) with concomitant reaction to FM I TRUE Test [®]
+	238	45 (18.9)
++	184	106 (57.6)
+++	42	36 (85.7)
All	464	187 (40.3)

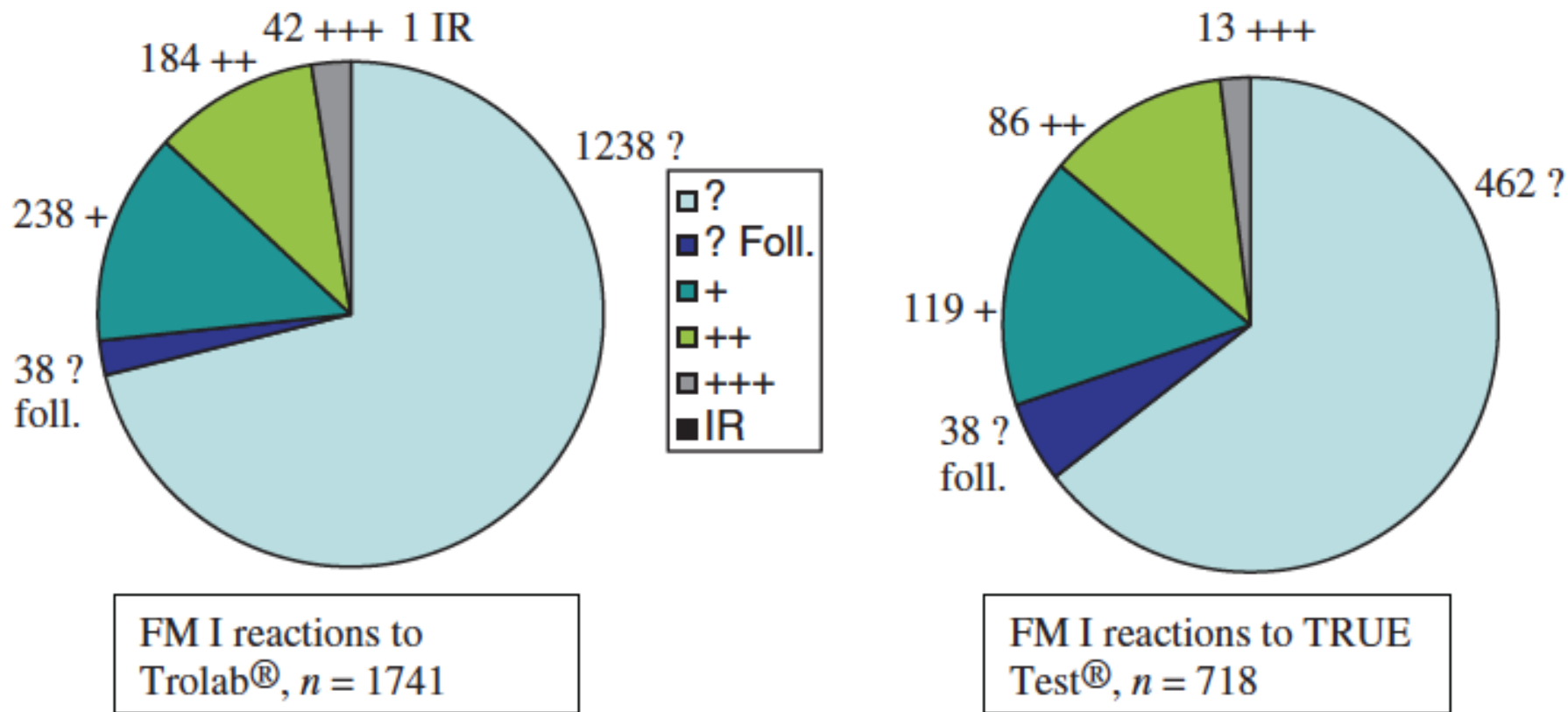


Fig. 2. Number of doubtful, irritant and graded positive reactions to fragrance mix (FM) I from TRUE Test and Trolab.

Same distribution of scoring with the 2 test materials

Reproducibility

236 patients were tested more than once

FM I TRUETest[®] gave reproducible test results in 229/236 patients (97.0%).

FM I Trolab[®] gave reproducible test results in 216/236 patients (91.5%).

Table 4. The relationship between strengths of reaction in the two tests and associated clinical relevance

Strength of FM I patch test	% (number) of patients with clinical relevance of FM I TRUE Test [®]	% (number) of patients with clinical relevance of FM I Trolab [®]
+	64.1 (59/92)	52.7 (87/165)
++	82.2 (60/73)	70.6 (101/143)
+++	84.6 (11/13)	91.9 (34/37)

Clinical relevance determined from the available information in the patient's record

Clinical relevance of a positive patch test:

FM I TRUETest[®] : 73.0% (130/178)

FM I Trolab[®] : 64.3% (222/345)

Table 5. The relationship between strengths of reaction in the two tests and positive reactions to the constituents of fragrance mix (FM) I

Strength of FM I patch test reaction	% (number) of patients with a positive reaction to FM I TRUE Test [®] and with reaction to constituents of the mix	% (number) of patients with a positive reaction to FM I Trolab [®] and with reaction to constituents of the mix
+	54.3 (50/92)	29.2 (50/171)
++	83.3 (60/72)	74.8 (110/147)
+++	100 (7/7)	96.7 (29/30)

Conclusion

- The analysis cannot conclude which of the 2 FM I test preparations is the best for diagnostic purposes.
- We included both FM I tests in the baseline series to obtain a graded degree of FM I allergy for the individual patient.
- With investigator-loaded Finn Chamber the major problem may be false-positive reactions
- With TRUETest[®] the major problem is false negative reactions.
- Weak positive reactions to FM I (Trolab[®]) should be evaluated carefully for clinical relevance.
- *Limitations:* the study is retrospective and supplementary testing with constituents of FM I was performed in a selected group of patients. Determination of clinical relevance may be biased.

Patch test concentrations (doses in mg/cm²) for the 12 non-mix fragrance substances regulated by European legislation

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Results. The predetermined maximum patch test concentrations/doses could be tested for all 12 fragrance substances, with no observable adverse reactions being noted.

	CAS	Maximum concentration (%) to be tested
Amyl cinnamyl alcohol	101-85-9	15.0
Anise alcohol	105-13-5	25.0
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	30.0
Benzyl benzoate	120-51-4	30.0
Benzyl cinnamate	103-41-3	30.0
Benzyl salicylate	118-58-1	30.0
Butylphenyl methylpropional	80-54-6	22.5
<i>Evernia furfuracea</i>	90028-67-4	3.0
α -Isomethyl ionone	127-51-5	30.0
D-Limonene	5989-27-5	30.0
Linalool	78-70-6	30.0
Methyl 2-octynoate	111-12-6	0.5

Comment:
FMI constituents are tested at 1% pet – this may be too low

Screening for Compositae sensitization with pure allergens: implications of molecular structure, strength of reaction, and time of testing

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Table 4. Association between time of application and number of positive reactions to constituents of the sesquiterpine lactone (SL) mix in persons with different degrees of SL sensitivity

SL mix reaction	Day of application of constituents	Number of positive reactions			3 positive (% with 2 or 3 reactions)
		0 positive	1 positive	2 positive	
1+ (n = 15)	D1/D2	—	2	0	0 (0)
	D3–5	2	4	1	0 (14)
	Later	1	1	3	2 (71)
2+ (n = 73)	D1/D2	—	7	16	7 (76)*
	D3–5	4	15	9	5 (42)*
	Later	—	1	4	7 (92)
3+ (n = 32)	D1/D2	1	—	5	12 (94)
	D3–5	—	1	5	3 (88)
	Later	—	1	2	3 (83)

* $p = 0.0099$.

Comment:
A routine procedure where mix constituents are applied at D3 after seeing a positive reaction to the mix – may give false negative reactions to the mix constituents!

The diagnostic value of patch tests with two fragrance mix I preparations for detection of clinically relevant perfume allergy

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949 consecutive eczema patients – prior to patch testing – answered questionnaire:

- (1) **Certain:** has reacted with an itching dermatitis to at least one denominated fine perfume or aftershave, and has reacted to other perfumed products;
- (2) **Probable:** has reacted to one or more perfumed products (e.g. deodorant), but a certain perfume has not been identified as the cause of a clinical reaction;
- (3) **Possible:** has reacted to various cosmetic products with and without perfume; materials other than fragrance constituents may be the cause of the reaction; and
- (4) **None:** has never reacted to a perfumed material.

In order to compare the diagnostic value of the fragrance mixes in this study, a **gold standard** for the diagnosis of fragrance contact allergy **was defined** on the basis of the questionnaire responses **as a certain history** of adverse reaction to fragrances. Thus, patients with a probable or possible history were excluded from further analysis.

Table 1. Distribution of results for patch testing with FM1 TRUE Test® and FM1 Trolab® in the study population after exclusion of patients with a probable or possible history; results of calculations of sensitivity, specificity, positive predictive value (PPV), negative predictive value (NPV), and *p*-values

	History			Sensitivity (95% CI)	Specificity (95% CI)	PPV (95% CI)	NPV (95% CI)	<i>p</i> -value
	Certain	No	Total					
FM I Trolab®				38.6% (35.1–42.1%)	96% (94.6–97.4%)	49% (45.4–52.6%)	94% (92.3–95.7%)	<0.001
Positive reaction	27	28	55					
Negative reaction	43	637	680					
Total	70	665	735					
	History			Sensitivity (95% CI)	Specificity (95% CI)	PPV (95% CI)	NPV (95% CI)	<i>p</i> -value
	Certain	No	Total					
FM I TRUE Test®				28.6% (25.5–31.7%)	98% (96.9–99%)	63% (59.5–66.5%)	93% (91.1–94.8%)	<0.001
Positive reaction	20	12	32					
Negative reaction	50	653	703					
Total	70	665	735					

Comment:

The prevalence of "certain" perfume allergy was 7.4%

The poor performance of FM I underlines the importance of testing with other fragrance allergens - even with FM II many perfume reactions may be missed

Fragrance mix II in the baseline series contributes significantly to detection of fragrance allergy

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Method: Retrospective study of 12 302 patients consecutively patch tested with FM II by members of the Danish Contact Dermatitis Group 2005–2008.

Results: FM II gave a positive patch test in 553 patients (4.5%), and in 72.2% of these patients the reaction was judged to be clinically relevant. FM II ranked second in detecting fragrance allergy, after FM I. If FM II had not been included as a screening marker in the baseline series, 15.6% ($n = 202$) of individuals with fragrance allergy would not have been identified by the other fragrance screening markers (FM I, *M. pereirae* or HICC).

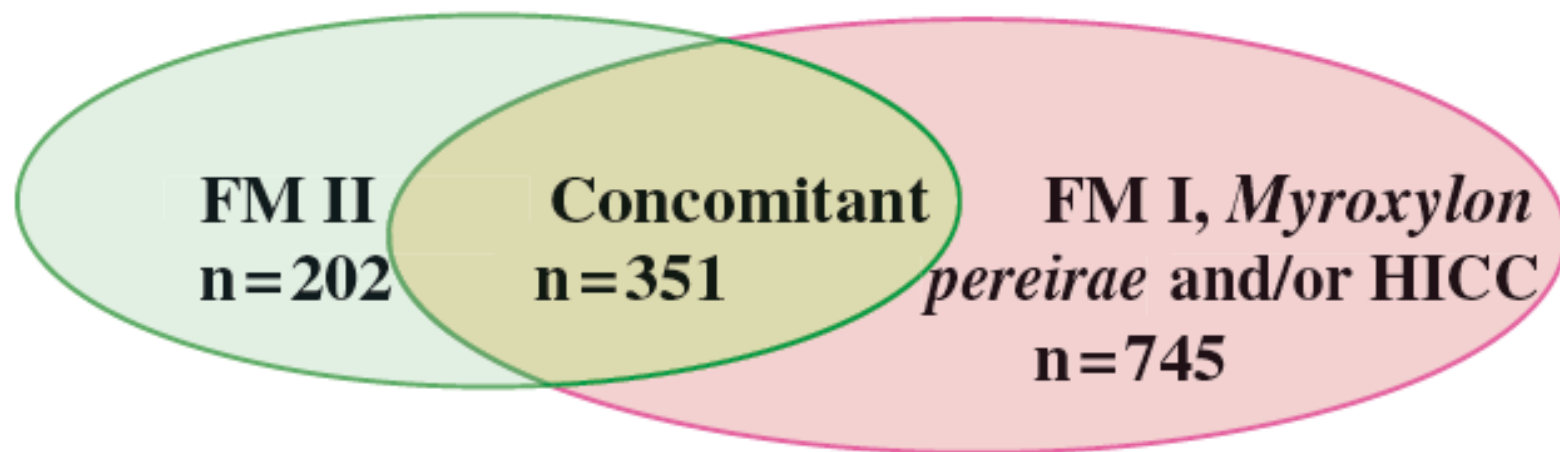


Fig. 3. Illustration of concomitant reactions to fragrance mix II (FM II) and subjects allergic to fragrance mix I (FM I), *Myroxylon pereirae*, and/or hydroxyisohexyl 3-cyclohexene carboxaldehyde (HICC). Subjects with fragrance allergy identified with FM II, FM I, *Myroxylon pereirae* and HICC ($n = 1298$). FM II additionally identified 202 (15.6%) allergic subjects.

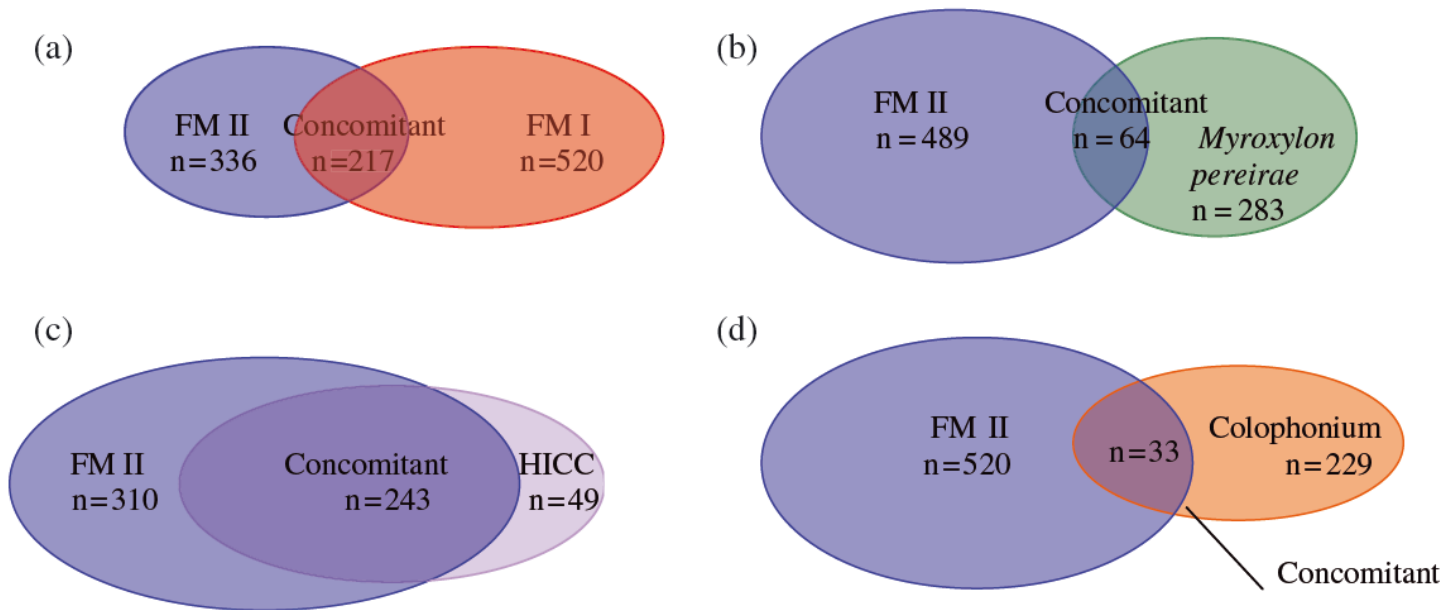


Fig. 2. (a) Illustration of concomitant reactions to fragrance mix II (FM II) and fragrance mix I (FM I). Subjects with fragrance allergy identified by FM II and FM I = 1073. A significant statistical association was observed between the two groups, χ^2 , $P < 0.0000001$. OR = 14.0 (CI 11.5–16.9). (b) Illustration of concomitant reactions to fragrance mix II (FM II) and *Myroxylon pereirae*. Subjects with fragrance allergy identified by FM II and *Myroxylon pereirae* = 836. A significant statistical association between the two groups was observed, χ^2 , $P < 0.0000001$. OR = 5.3 (CI 4.0–7.1). (c) Illustration of concomitant reactions to fragrance mix II (FM II) and hydroxyisohexyl 3-cyclohexene carboxaldehyde (HICC). Subjects with fragrance allergy identified by FM II and HICC = 602. A significant statistical association was observed between the two groups, χ^2 , $P < 0.0000001$. OR = 187.2 (CI 135.3–259.6). (d) Illustration of concomitant reactions to fragrance mix II (FM II) and colophonium. Subjects with fragrance allergy identified by FM II and colophonium = 782. A significant statistical association was observed among the two groups, χ^2 , $P < 0.0000001$. OR = 3.2 (CI 2.2–4.7).

Lyr[®] is an important sensitizer in patients sensitive to fragrances

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Table 1. Results of patch testing with 8% fragrance mix (FM) and 5% Lyr[®] in a total of 1855 patients from six centres. Positive and doubtful/irritant reactions (second reading)

Centre	No. patients tested	Positive reactions (+, + +, + + +)		Doubtful reactions	
		FM	Lyr [®]	FM	Lyr [®]
Dortmund	281	32 (11.4%)	4 (1.4%)	15 (5.3%)	1 (0.3%)
Malmö	395	55 (13.9%)	12 (3.0%)	18 (4.0%)	2 (0.5%)
Odense	331	33 (9.9%)	8 (2.4%)	42 (12.6%)	7 (2.1%)
Copenhagen	303	25 (8.2%)	8 (2.6%)	30 (9.9%)	8 (2.6%)
Leuven	70	16 (23.0%)	12 (17.0%)	4 (5.7%)	0 (0.0%)
London	475	49 (10.3%)	6 (1.2%)	7 (1.5%)	2 (0.4%)
Total	1855	210 (11.3%)	50 (2.7%)	116 (6.2%)	20 (1.0%)

An international multicentre study on the allergenic activity of air-oxidized *R*-limonene

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Table 1. Total number of patients from each test centre and the number and percentage of positive reactions, doubtful reactions and irritant reactions to oxidized *R*-limonene 3.0% [limonene hydroperoxides (Lim-OOHs) 0.33%] pet.

Test centre	Oxidized <i>R</i> -limonene 3.0% (Lim-OOHs 0.33%) pet.			
	Total no. tested	No. (%) positive	No. (%) doubtful	No. (%) irritant
Barcelona	299	13 (4.3)	0 (0)	4 (1.4)
Copenhagen	440	16 (3.6)	53 (12.0)	17 (3.9)
Gothenburg	397	10 (2.5)	1 (0.2)	0 (0)
London	271	8 (2.9)	9 (3.3)	0 (0)
Malmö	300	7 (2.3)	11 (3.7)	0 (0)
Melbourne	289	18 (6.2)	11 (3.8)	0 (0)
Odense	298	23 (7.7)	73 (24.5)	3 (1.0)
Seville	300	20 (6.7)	6 (2.0)	0 (0)
Singapore	306	37 (12.1)	40 (13.1)	1 (0.3)
Total	2900	152 (5.2)	204 (7.0)	25 (0.9)

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Table 2. Total number of patients from each respective test centre and the number and percentage of positive reactions, doubtful reactions and irritant reactions to oxidized linalool 6.0% [linalool hydroperoxides (Lin-OOHs) 1%] pet.

Test centre	Oxidized linalool 6.0% (Lin-OOHs 1%) pet.			
	Total no. tested	No. of positive patch test reactions (%)	No. of doubtful patch test reactions (%)	No. of irritant patch test reactions (%)
Barcelona	299	11 (3.7)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Copenhagen	440	21 (4.8)	68 (15.4)	24 (5.4)
Göteborg	397	15 (3.8)	11 (2.8)	1 (0.25)
London	271	14 (5.2)	9 (3.3)	0 (0)
Malmö	300	10 (3.3)	13 (4.3)	0 (0)
Melbourne	289	24 (8.3)	7 (2.4)	0 (0)
Odense	298	24 (8.0)	108 (36.2)	7 (2.3)
Seville	300	43 (14.3)	6 (2.0)	3 (1.0)
Singapore	306	38 (12.4)	44 (14.4)	2 (0.65)
Total	2900	200 (6.9)	266 (9.2)	37 (1.3)

Use tests

Use-tests in contact dermatitis

A "Use-test" is a general term denoting clinical observations of outcome following usage of a product in selected individuals/patients

- Observation of possible skin changes following intended usage
- Observation following exaggerated usage
- Repeated Open Application Test (ROAT) – a standardized clinical exposure test

The repeated open application test (ROAT)

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dermatitis on the test site appeared. About 0.1 ml of test material was applied twice daily to the flexor aspect of the forearm near the cubital fossa, to an area approximately 5 × 5 cm.

The repeated open application test: suggestions for a scale of evaluation

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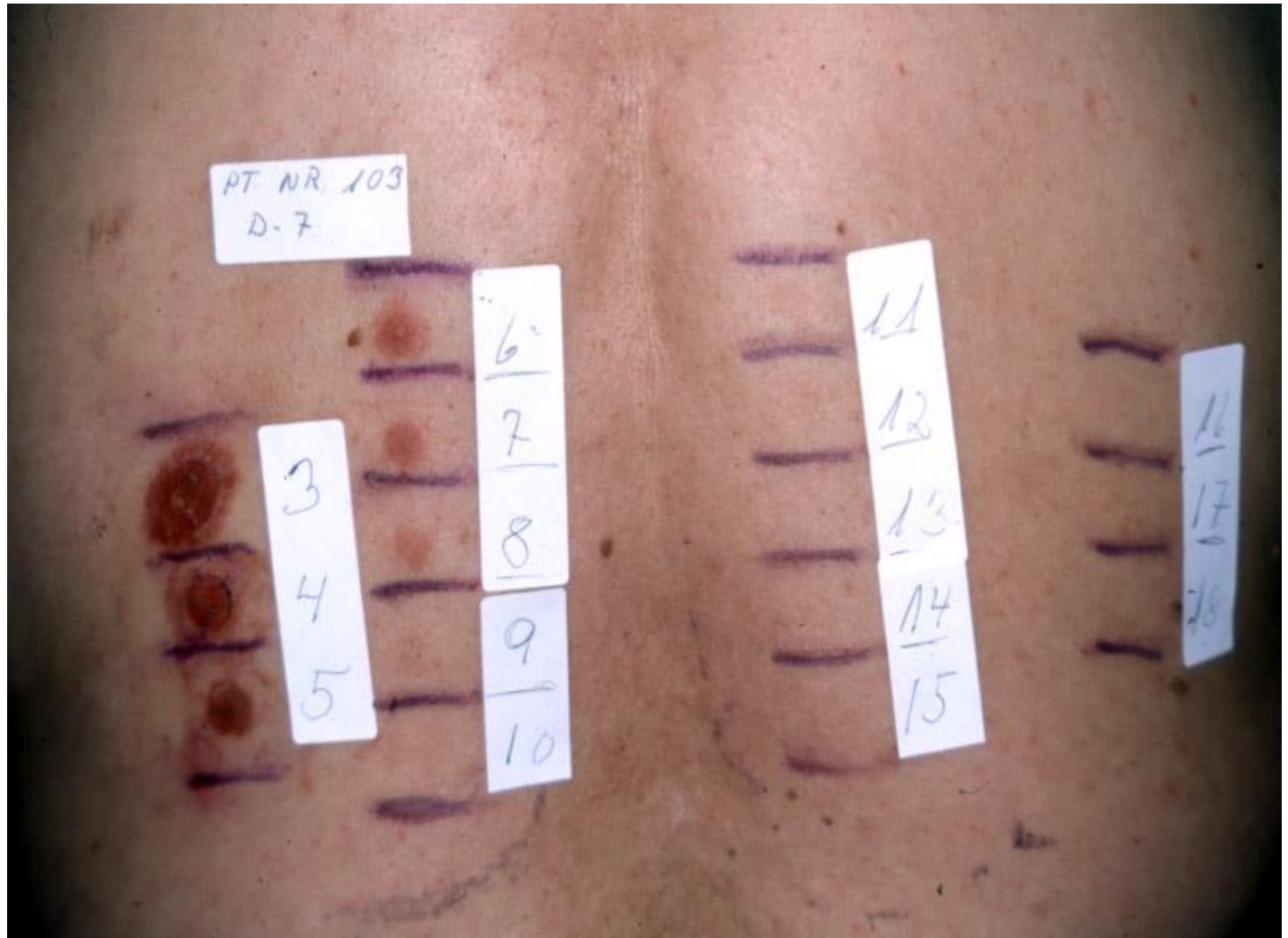
The Time–Dose–Response Relationship for Elicitation of Contact Dermatitis in Isoeugenol Allergic Individuals

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- 27 isoeugenol sensitive patients
- Serial dilution patch test with isoeugenol eth. concentrations: 2.0% - 0.00006%
- Reading D3 and D7
- Threshold concentration established
- Double blind ROAT for up to 28 days
- Endpoints: days to pos. ROAT and amount of isoeugenol solution used until pos. ROAT or max. 28 days

Patch tests with a dilution series of isoeugenol in eth.

Threshold
patch test
conc. is
0.016% eth



ROAT with isoeugenol 0.2% R and 0.05% L

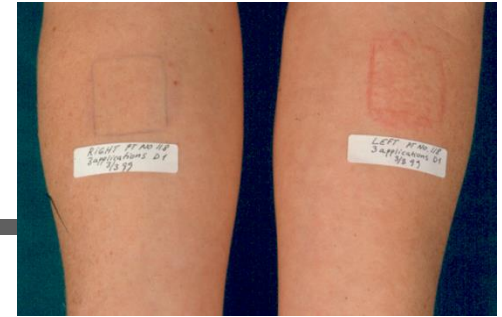
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TABLE 1**Results of ROAT with 0.2 and 0.05% Isoeugenol in Ethanol in 24 Patients with a Positive Patch Test to Isoeugenol**

	ROAT concentration	
	0.2%	0.05%
Patients with positive ROAT	16/24	10/24
No. of days to positive ROAT (median)	7	15
Range (days)	2–26	3–28
Mean \pm SD (days)	8.4 \pm 6.2	15.2 \pm 8.8

Exposure dose - accumulated

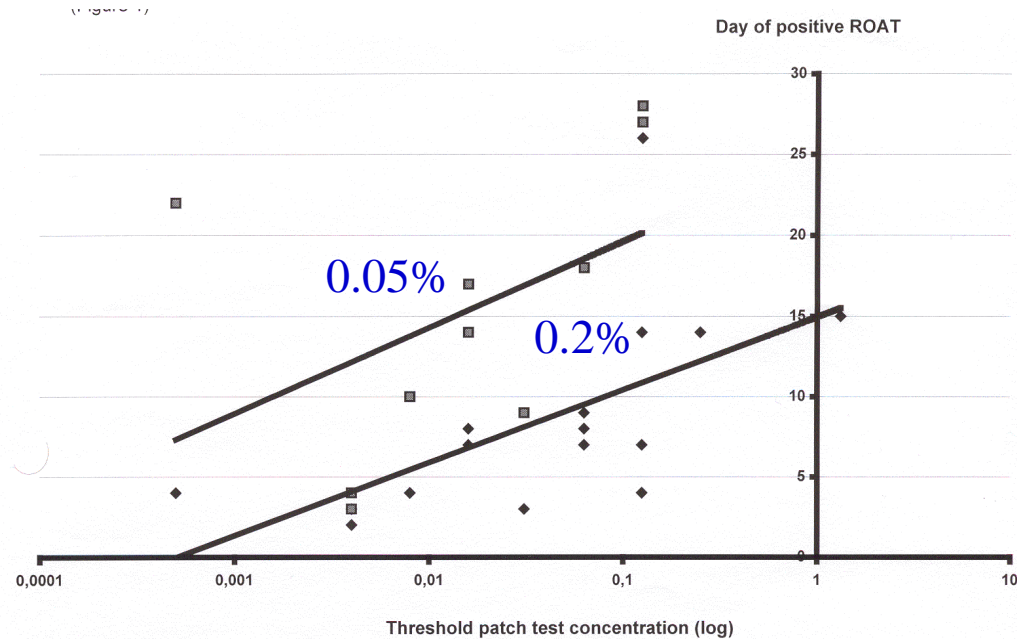


Number of days (exposures) until elicitation depends on exposure concentration:

- 0.2%: 7 days of exposure (median)
- 0.05%: 15 days of exposure (median)

-And the individual level of sensitivity

ROAT med isoeugenol 0.05% og 0.2%



Region and previous eczema

Sensitivity depends on region

Axilla > arm



Face=neck > arm



Outer aspect of upper arm

Upper back > lower back

Zachariae C. CD 2006; 54: 21-24

Previous allergic eczema

Experimental nickel contact dermatitis

Challenge later - after

- 8 months
- 4 months
- 1 months

Significantly higher reactivity at previous allergic eczema sites

Hindsén M et al. CD 1997;37: 101-106

The dose–response relationship between the patch test and ROAT and the potential use for regulatory purposes

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Objectives: The aim was to develop an equation that could predict the response to an allergen in a ROAT based on the dose–response curve derived by patch testing.

Table 2. Spearman's rank correlation between the threshold concentrations in the patch test and repeated open applications test (ROAT) for the nickel study (13), the methylidibromo glutaronitrile (MDBGN) study (14) and for the hydroxyisohexyl 3-cyclohexene carboxaldehyde (HICC) study (15)

Allergen	Number of patients	Correlation coefficient	P-value
Nickel	18	0.45	0.033
MDBGN	15	0.76	0.0021
HICC	16	0.59	0.011

Therefore, based on the above analysis, it was concluded that all three conditions are fulfilled, and an equation to convert the patch test dose–response data into the ROAT dose–response data was possible by means of the following equation:

$$ED_{xx}(\text{ROAT}) = 0.0296ED_{xx}(\text{patch test}) \quad (4)$$

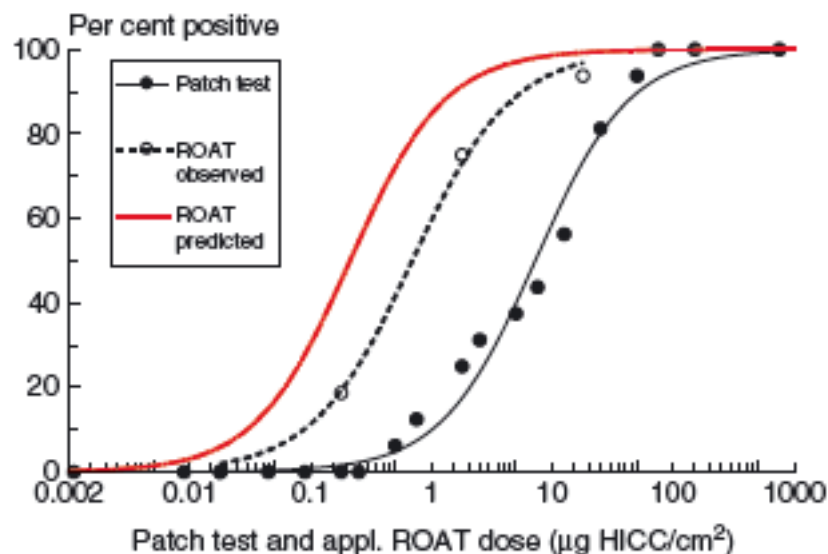


Fig. 3. Comparison of predicted and observed (black broken line) dose–response relations for repeated open applications test (ROAT) of hydroxyisohexyl 3-cyclohexene carboxaldehyde (HICC) (15). The predicted dose–response curve (red line) is obtained from the fitted patch test curve by multiplication of the patch test doses by a factor 0.0296, i.e. $ED_{xx}(\text{ROAT}) = 0.0296 ED_{xx}(\text{patch test})$.

Table 5. Main findings

Main findings

The dose ($\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$) per application required to elicit a reaction in a repeated open applications test (ROAT) is lower than the dose required to elicit a reaction in a patch test.

For non-volatile compounds, the outcome of a ROAT can be expressed by: $ED_{xx}(\text{ROAT}) = 0.0296 ED_{xx}(\text{patch test})$.

Relevance

When patch test data are used to determine safe levels of allergen exposure, a negative dose in the patch test is not a safe dose. This is also relevant for the clinical situation.

After validation, regulatory intervention should be undertaken based on patch test dilution series. Safe levels of allergens that will prevent elicitation can be calculated and contact dermatitis be prevented in a majority of cases.

Elicitation study on oak moss absolute

Funded by IFRA members

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AIM

To determine the elicitation frequency of ACD of a **new quality of Oakmoss absolute (with lowered atranol and chloroatranol content)** **compared to the “classic” quality of Oakmoss absolute** (containing higher levels of atranol and chloroatranol) using ROAT and a patch test serial dilution test in 30 OM allergic volunteers and 30 controls with negative patch tests to fragrance allergens

A randomized and double blind placebo controlled design was applied – adapted from the “old” isoeugenol study published in 2001. The ROAT was performed over a 21-day period and after a 4-week rest period the volunteers had serial dilution patch tests with COM and NOM.

Elicitation study on oak moss absolute

Classic oakmoss:

Chloratranol 15000 ppm, atranol 27000 ppm

New oakmoss

Chloratranol 37 ppm, atranol 48 ppm

Participants

30 controls

25 females, 5 males, age ≥ 18 : with no prior history of hypersensitivity to perfume, fragrance mix, or/nor balsam of Peru

30 oakmoss allergics

19 females, 11 males, age ≥ 18 , with previous positive patch tests to oak moss.

All with no active dermatitis nor in immunomodulatory treatment

Solutions for ROAT

Classic Oak moss (COM) 0.1% dilution in 2:98 DEP:EtOH

Vehicle control: 2:98 DEP:EtOH

New Oak moss (NOM) 0.1% dilution in 2:98 DEP:EtOH

Vehicle control: 2:98 DEP:EtOH

Solutions for Patch Tests

12 dilutions of the “classic” Oakmoss and “new” Oakmoss in 2:98 DEP:EtOH (v/v), respectively:

2.0, 1.32, 0,67, 0.22, 0.074, 0.025, 0.0082, 0.0027, 0.00091, 0.0003, 0.0001 and 0.00003% (w/v)

Three control patches with 2:98 DEP:EtOH, EtOH, and 100% DEP

Repeated Open Application Test

4 test areas on lower volar forearm, 2 on each arm

Double blind and randomized test design

Solutions (A,B,C,D) applied twice daily for 21 days or until positive reaction:

0.1% “classic” Oakmoss

0.1% “new” Oakmoss

two samples of the vehicle control; 2:98 DEP:EtOH.

Volunteers documented treatments in a log. Bottles weighed before and after study

Areas were evaluated once a week and when volunteers reported a positive reaction

Procedure and scoring adapted from Johansen, J.D., et al (1997).



Patch test procedure

8 mm Finn Chambers[®] on Scanpor[®] tape + filter paper

15 μ l (5.9 mg/cm²) of test solution applied to the chambers by a micropipette

12 dilutions of COM and NOM + 3 vehicles – on each side of the upper back

Patches filled immediately before application

Test sites marked at time of application

Visual readings at D 3 and 7

Application and reading of the reactions were done in a double-blind fashion



Upper left and upper right



Pre-removal of 48-h patches

Results – ROAT

- All controls had negative ROAT to COM, NOM and vehicles

- **22/30 allergic volunteers had positive ROAT to COM, and only 6 reacted to NOM** (Fisher's Exact Test $P < 0.0001$).

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No volunteer reacted to NOM only.

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Removal of three volunteers with positive reactions to DEP in the patch test did not alter the outcome (Fisher's Exact Test $P < 0.0001$)

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The mean number of applications to elicit a positive ROAT were 14 for COM and 24 for NOM.

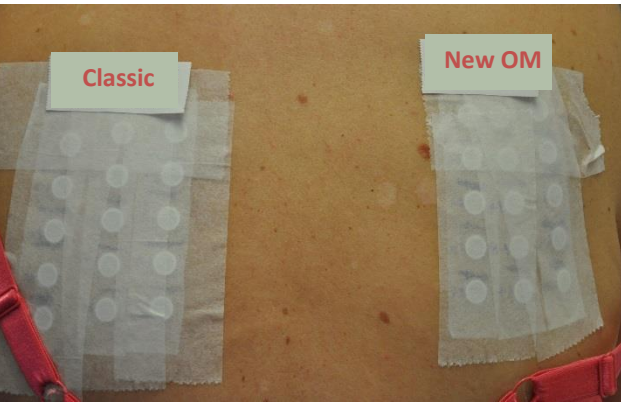
- (Wilcoxon matched pairs test for 6 individuals reacting to both formulations ($P = 0.013$))

Results – ROAT

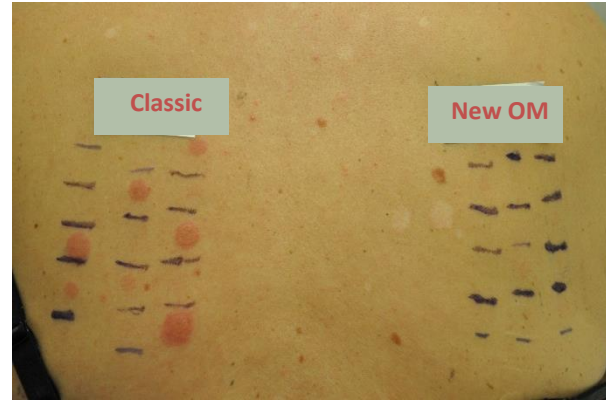
- No difference in amount of COM and NOM applied at each application (Friedmann Test with Dunn's Multiple Comparisons Test, $P = 0,3647$)
- Significant less COM was applied than both NOM and vehicle as expected
- No difference between the total amount of NOM and the amount of vehicle applied (Friedmann Test with Dunn's Multiple Comparisons Test, $P < 0.0001$)
- Using McNemar's Test with the continuity correction it was demonstrated that COM caused significantly more reactions than NOM ($p = 0.0002$)

Examples of patch test reactions

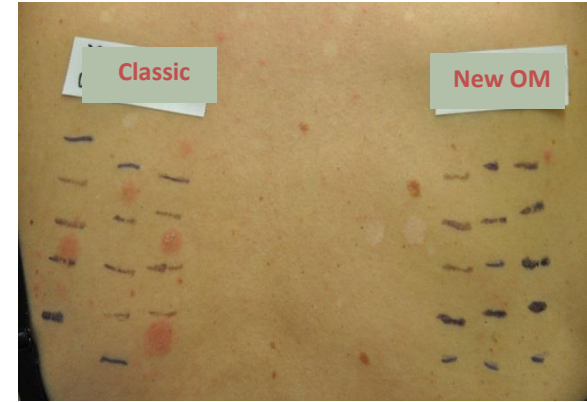
Pre-removal of patches



D3-readings



D7-readings



Results – patch tests

- No controls had a positive reaction to COM, NOM and vehicles
- Three oak moss positives had positive reaction to 100% DEP
- 3/30 previous OM positive had negative patch tests
- Significantly more oak moss positive volunteers had positive reactions to COM than to NOM (Fisher's Exact Test $P = 0.0005$).
- Removal of three volunteers with positive reactions to DEP in the patch test did not alter the outcome (Fisher's Exact Test $P = 0.0004$).

Results – patch tests

3/60 had positive patch test to 100% DEP (diethylphthalate)

They may be irritant reactions??

DEP is a rare contact allergen!

Oliwiecki S et al. Contact Dermatitis 1991;25: 264-265

Betts CJ et al. Contact Dermatitis 2007; 56: 70-75

Recommended patch test concentration: 2-10% pet
(De Groot AC. Patch testing, 3rd ed. 2008)

Controls

Participant		1		2		6		7		8		9		10		12		13		14		16		17		18		20		23	
Original patch test		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	
Reaction		COM	NOM	COM	NOM	COM	NOM	COM	NOM	COM	NOM	COM	NOM	COM	NOM	COM	NOM	COM	NOM	COM	NOM	COM	NOM	COM	NOM	COM	NOM	COM	NOM	COM	NOM
DEP	100%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
DEP/EtOH	2/98%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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	0,22%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	0,074%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	?	
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ROAT		No. of applications until positive reaction																													
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NOM		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
DEP/EtOH VEH1	2/98%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
DEP/EtOH VEH2	2/98%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Amount used		P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total	P.A.	Total
COM		0,0658	2,7620	0,1166	4,8980	0,0257	0,7190	0,1043	4,3800	0,093	3,920	0,0841	3,5330	0,0529	2,2230	0,0627	2,6340	0,2338	0,9350	0,0402	1,6870	0,2072	1,0360	0,0659	2,7670	0,1178	0,5890	0,0318	1,3370	0,0331	1,3900
NOM		0,0610	2,5610	0,1042	4,3770	0,0317	1,3320	0,1069	4,4910	0,0779	3,2700	0,0805	3,3800	0,0482	2,0240	0,0469	1,9700	0,0585	2,4570	0,0475	1,9960	0,0858	3,6030	0,0980	4,1150	0,0480	2,0180	0,0461	1,9350	0,0310	1,3030
DEP/EtOH VEH1	2/98%	0,0719	3,0200	0,072	3,02	0,0212	0,8920	0,1243	5,2190	0,0920	3,8660	0,0708	2,9740	0,0486	2,0410	0,0427	1,7930	0,0522	2,1920	0,0406	1,7040	0,0847	3,5570	0,0706	2,9670	0,0695	2,9170	0,0507	2,1310	0,0370	1,5540
DEP/EtOH VEH2	2/98%	0,0742	3,1170	0,0754	3,1670	0,0396	1,6650	0,0928	3,8960	0,0806	3,3870	0,0734	3,0840	0,0432	1,8150	0,0461	1,9380	0,0435	1,8290	0,0374	1,5720	0,0737	3,0970	0,0991	4,1640	0,0525	2,2070	0,0417	1,7530	0,0339	1,4220
Participant		24		25		31		34		38		40		41		45		49		52		53		54		57		58		59	
Original Patch Test		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	
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COM		0,1564	0,7820	0,0270	0,3780	0,0277	1,1630	0,0586	2,4628	0,0762	3,2010	0,084	0,76	0,0426	0,9790	0,0485	2,0380	0,1025	0,6150	0,0326	0,4570	0,0853	3,3270	0,0292	1,2250	0,0712	2,9890	0,0511	0,5110	0,0470	1,9720
NOM		0,0635	2,6660	0,0263	1,1030	0,0314	1,3190	0,0542	2,2780	0,0935	3,9270	0,0819	3,4390	0,0432	1,8140	0,0471	1,9800	0,0432	1,8130	0,0237	0,997	0,0705	2,9620	0,0286	1,2030	0,0493	2,0690	0,0266	1,1190	0,0537	2,2570
DEP/EtOH VEH1	2/98%	0,0751	3,1530	0,0494	2,0750	0,0323	1,3570	0,0501	2,1030	0,1115	4,6840	0,0570	2,3960	0,0404	1,6950	0,0378	1,5860	0,0459	1,9270	0,0275	1,1570	0,0627	2,6340	0,0338	1,4200	0,0629	2,6430	0,032	1,327	0,0574	2,4100
DEP/EtOH VEH2	2/98%	0,0820	3,4420	0,0474	1,9913	0,0589	2,4740	0,0276	1,1590	0,0501	2,1060	0,0832	3,4950	0,0872	3,6620	0,0349	1,4640	0,0465	1,9520	0,0256	1,0770	0,0574	2,4100	0,0268	1,1270	0,0599	2,5150	0,0297	1,2470	0,0535	2,2470

Results – patch tests

- 16/27 with positive reactions to both COM and NOM reacted to COM at a significantly lower concentration than to NOM (Wilcoxon matched-pairs signed-ranks test, $P = 0,0078$).



Positive response to Classic Oak Moss



ROAT, COM vs NOM

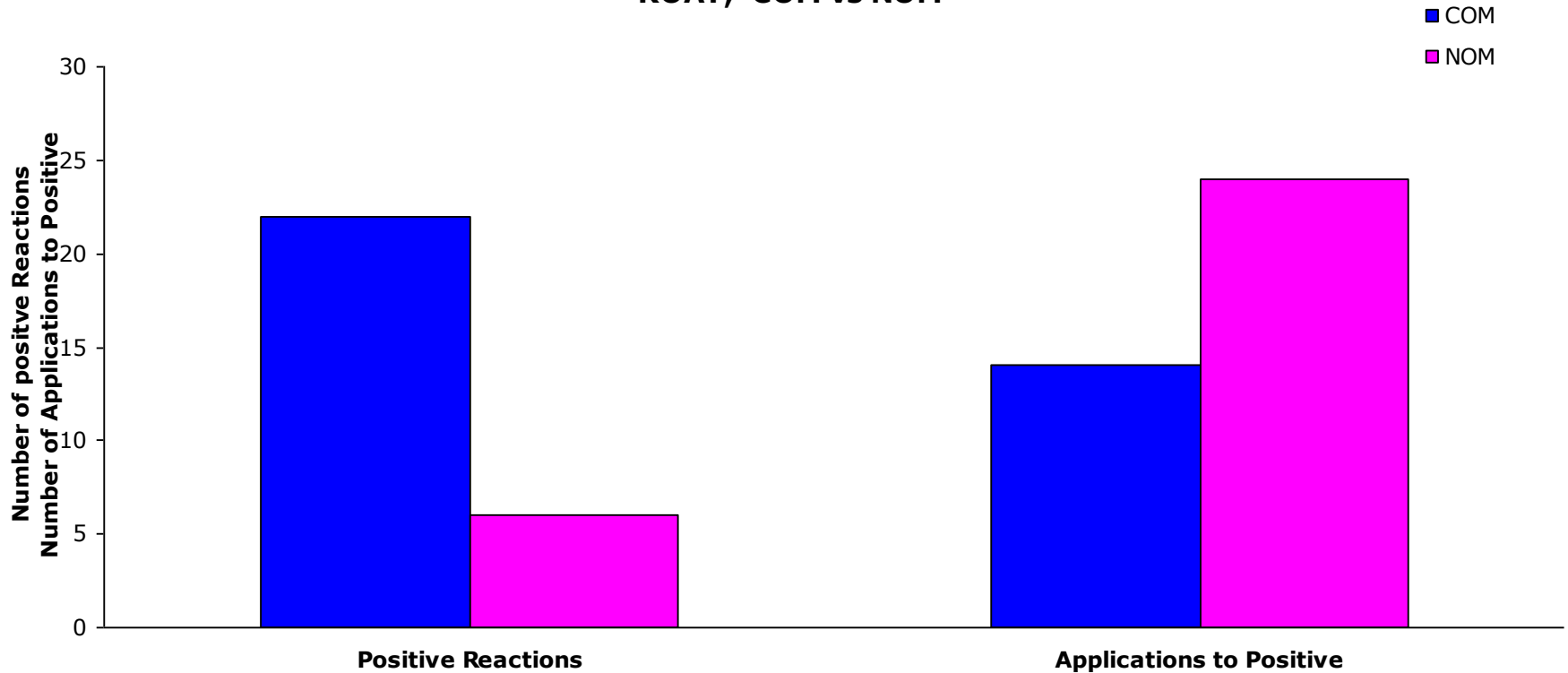


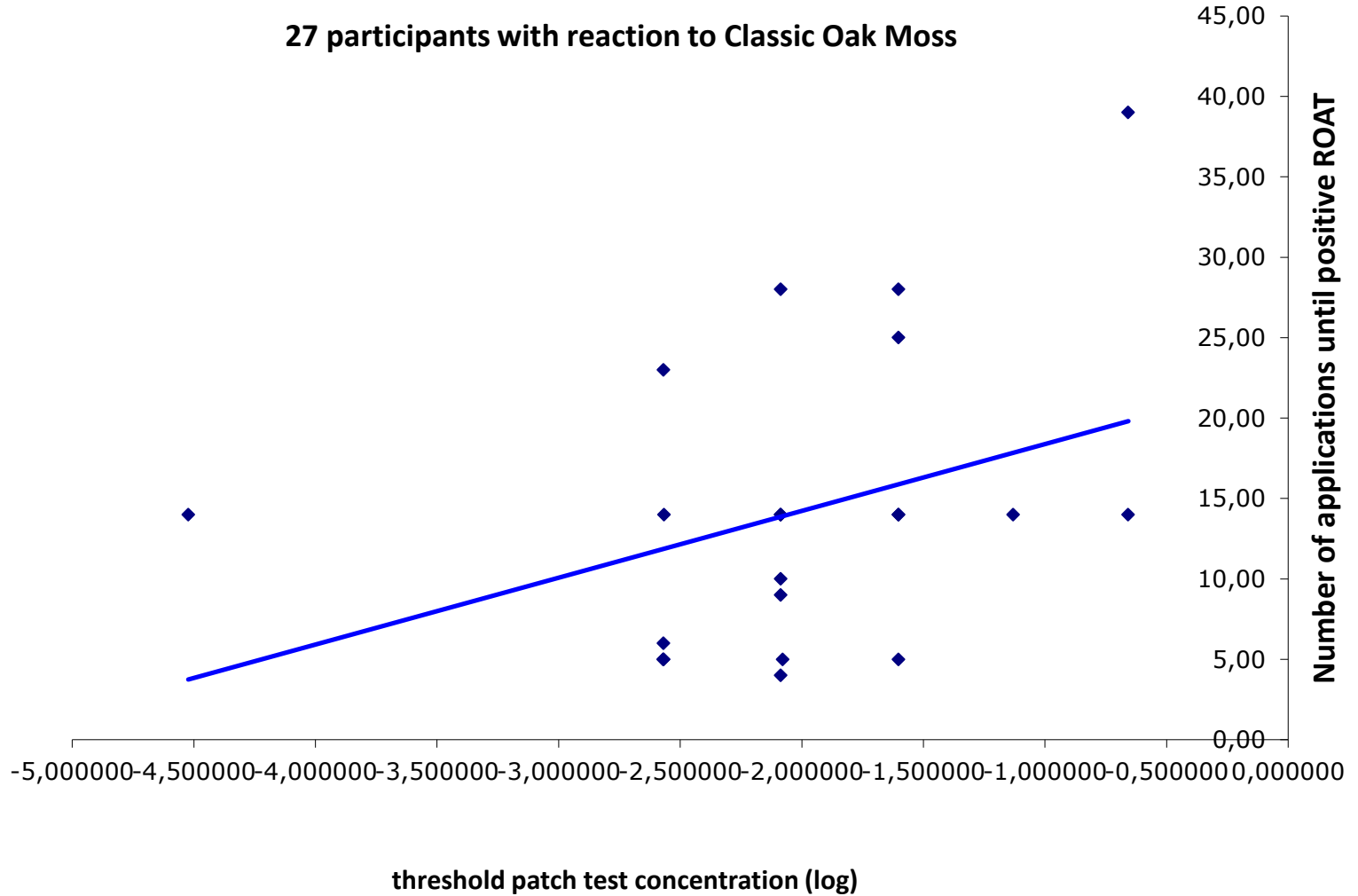
Figure 1. Outcome of ROAT with Classic and New Oak Moss

Neither Controls nor known Allergics reacted to vehicle

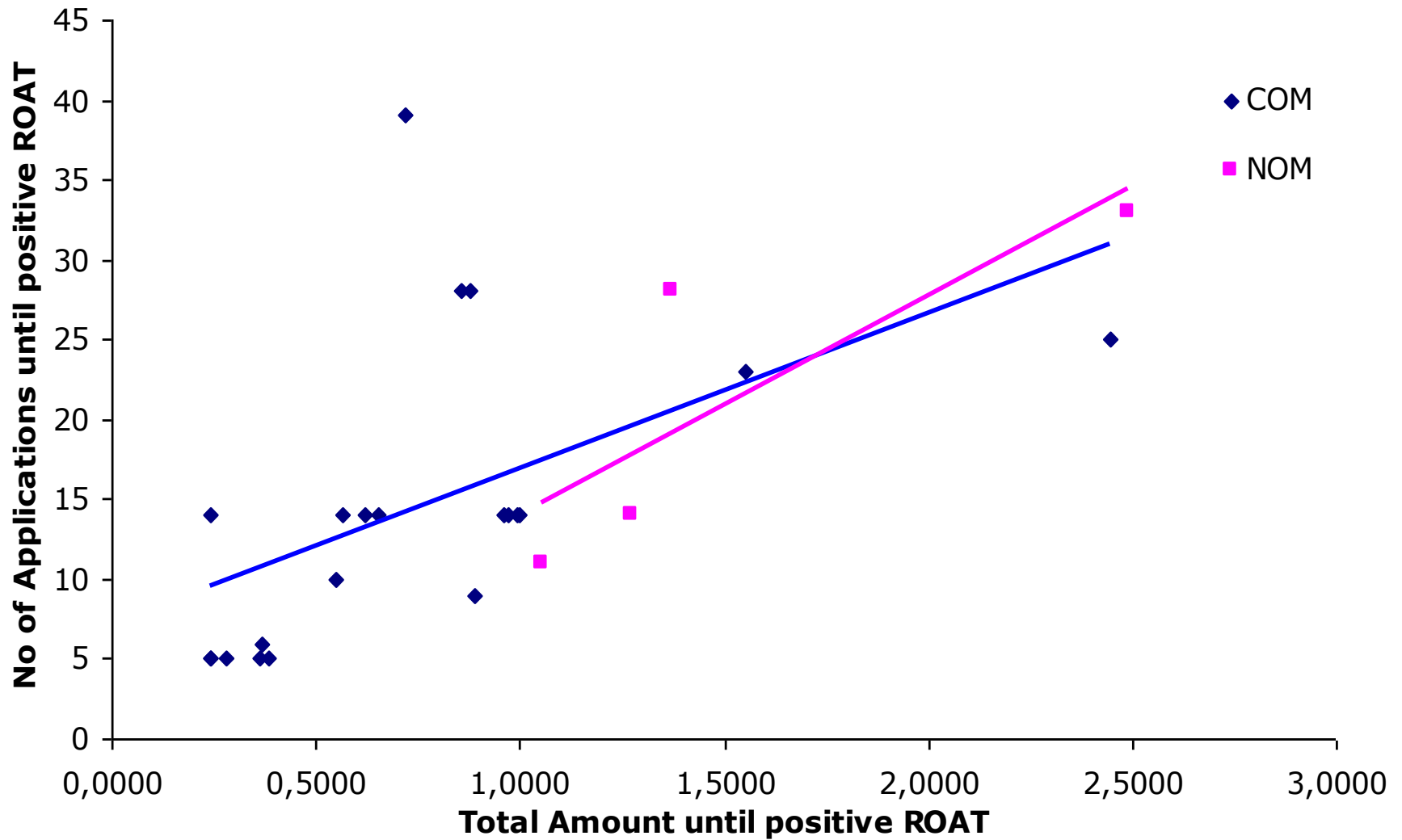
No Controls reacted to neither COM nor NOM

22/30 Allergics reacted to COM, and 6 of these also reacted to NOM, nobody reacted to NOM alone.

27 participants with reaction to Classic Oak Moss



The number of applications until a positive ROAT in relation to the threshold patch test concentration



Relationship between Total amount of OM used to provoke a positive reaction and Number of Applications until positive ROAT

Conclusions

New oak moss absolute (NOM) elicited significantly less allergic contact dermatitis in previously oak moss sensitive participants in a human experimental exposure model compared to classic oak moss absolute (COM).

NOM appears to be less likely to induce OM-allergy in previous non-allergic persons, and significantly less likely to elicit an allergic response in persons with previously diagnosed OM allergy

Patch and "use" tests and diagnose perfume allergy

Current challenges:

- Improved screening test materials
- Test with patient's own products when possible
- Patch test concentrations
- More dose-response tests in volunteers with documented fragrance allergy