



CHEMICAL MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

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Dear Vinyl Chloride Research Coordinator Member:

This is to confirm that the Vinyl Chloride Research Coordinator meeting with the Environmental Health Associates (EHA) will take place on October 8 at 10:30 a.m. The meeting will be held at EHA, 520 Third Street, Suite 208, Oakland, CA, 94607. Dr. Otto Wong and Ms. Patricia Osborne of EHA will provide an update on the ongoing epidemiology study. Dr. Wong's telephone number is 415/451-1888.

Prior to going to EHA, we will meet at 7:30 a.m. near the registration desk at the Airport Hilton, San Francisco International Airport, (415/589-0770), to review the contract, and the scope of work.

I am looking forward to seeing you on November 8th at 7:30 a.m. For those of you who cannot attend the meeting on the 8th, I will send you the minutes of the meeting as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Has Shah, Ph.D.

Manager

Vinyl Chloride Program Panel

Original study

Criteria - worked at least 1 yr prior to 1973
employed 1942 and beyond
exposed to VCM at least one year

10,173 employees

37 plants of 15 companies

95% follow-up thru 1972

brain cancer 12 vs 5.9 significantly elevated
only 2 angiosarcomas

Update

Phase I - update exposure by.

Phase II - update vs.

3 plants from original study did not participate
in Phase I update

815 individuals have been reclassified as unexposed
2 previous jobs previously classified as
unexposed now classified as exposed

2 plants did not participate in Phase II
(25 plants not participating in Phase II)

Not sure what criteria were used to reclassify exposure
Make sure it was done equally for dead & non dead
and across cancer of death

phase 2 - 32 plants - 9,371 employees
1548 deaths identified thru 1982.
89% of death certificates are in.
90 DCs outstanding

They can do analysis if

(1) They can reclassify exposure for
some people from their outside

(2) Get the remaining 90 DCs

(3) EPA will analyze cohort with old
exposure class and new exposure class.

by Feb 15 ~~sure they have info from outside~~ Report done in March V. May 15

Mitch Taron - Anybody looking
for cancer types?