

# Regulatory framework of cosmetic in the European Union

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## Abbreviations

EU, European Union; NMs, Metallic nanoparticles; SCCS, Scientific Commission on Consumer Safety; EC, European Commission; INCI, International Nomenclature of Cosmetic Ingredients; PAO, Period After Opening; SCCS, Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety; NPD, Nano Product Data.

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## Abstract

Cosmetics that are personal or personalized are now becoming extremely prevalent. While compliance is mandated by European Union (EU) Cosmetics Directive 1223/2009, there seem to be no strict guidelines for maintaining obedience. Cosmetics must meet a number of conditions in order to be sold in the European Single Market; however, the focus of this article is on the Cosmetics Regulation 1223/2009. Regulations are examined for certain elements and several solutions are presented that allow for careful use of individually cloaked cosmetics that are available on the market. Metallic nanoparticles (NMs) have been proposed for usage as active ingredients/excipient in a number of cosmetics products. Due to fast-paced businesses in the cosmetic industry, cosmetology tends to focus on its distinctive characteristics to bring value to a diverse array of products, but due to the small size of nanometers, NMs may not always follow the very same handling guidelines as their conventional material. As a result, a nano-specific framework for regulating the use of nanomaterials & creation of nano-improved cosmetics is becoming increasingly prevalent. Scientific and industrial perspective into the NMs presently used for the marketplace, with an emphasis on metallic NMs, and also an evaluation of the regulatory requirements and Scientific Commission on Consumer Safety (SCCS) Opinions. Considering the fact that the original Cosmetic products Directive (EU Legislation No 1223/2009) has precise restrictions on NMs, beauty materials containing unlawful NMs have already been supplied in the EU on numerous times. Researchers examine the risk evaluation indicated in Article 16 of the Cosmetology Code acts as a framework for the potential expansion to enhance nano-items, considering the long-term risks of nanomaterials if mistreated. The nation's attention is on synchronizing efforts to integrate metallic NMs into cosmetic products but to the restricted fusion of metallic NMs with numerous non-metallic nanoparticles. Although Directive 76/768/EEC on the beauty items is an upright division of amendment that requires the European market for every cosmetic product placed to meet its exigencies would be irrational that it is for believings a stand-alone part of regulations is unaffected by other legal texts. In reality, Directive 76/768/EEC takes the form part of complicated legal action that began 40 years ago that ensure the free passage of goods throughout the EU while also European individuals' and their environment's safety. The ongoing chapter outlines the most important aspects of the Directive Cosmetic Products along with the latest guidelines 2022 prepared by the COS law Team of what happened in the EU cosmetics regulatory framework between January and March, which serves as the book's foundation. The trend of personal skincare seems to be high among clients.

**Keywords:** Cosmetic products Directive; European community Regulation; Scientific Commission on Consumer Safety

## Introduction

Consumers get to choose the contents in the product based on particular complexion or scalp peculiarities. The prospect of keeping each thing is more economical than mass-produced goods. The EU's legislative framework for cosmetics is established under the Regulation 1223/2009. Whereas the Regulation does not explicitly discuss & explain personal treatment, unless the cosmetic parameters are fulfilled (a substance that gets into skin contact), exposed regions of the human body can be wiped, scented, and modified. If you would like to enhance your appearances, safeguard them, retain them in great shape, or eliminate body excretions, these are the things to do [1]. For buyers and/or manufacturers, this presents a series of problems and some of which include ensuring proper production practices (particularly recognizing the manufacturing unit or facilities) and assessing the safety and reliability of the product with a fluctuating constitution. Nanomedicine has drawn enormous scientific attention in the field of the particularly appealing properties of nanostructured materials, and the economy for nano-enhanced brands had also expanded to a mega dollar each year, with almost 50 percent of which devoted entirely to the personnel and health care department. In 1986, Christian Dior developed healthier and stronger nanoparticle based items, rendering the cosmetics industry a forerunner in nanotechnology [2]. Nevertheless, there are concerns over whether the present regulatory regime can adequately compensate for the extensive physicochemical attributes of generated NMs, their biological interconnections, and whether analytical procedures are competent to explain their toxic potential. In recent years, the European Commission (EC) has published many opinions on the suitability and effectiveness of numerous nanostructured materials in beauty products, many of which have been approved and are continually being used in the aesthetic sector, bringing value to the finished product [3]. All compounds (at the macro, micro, or nanoscale) released to the European market must be evaluated for risk and toxicity under the REACH law. The EU normally refers to the utilization of cosmetic products & their constituents on a more specific basis in 1976 with the accession of (Directive 76/768/EEC) cosmetics regulations, which established fundamental inspection and certification requirements for the European field of cosmetics. Both

European Parliament and the Council issued EC Regulation 1223/2009 on November 30, 2009, which amended the directive by inserting global criteria to guarantee efficacy and the safety of commonly available beauty products (Table 1) [4].

In a range of industries and consumer items, NMs have become more frequent. As a consequence of rapid adoption, products have indeed been named in a variety of ways, based on their original purpose and the regulatory requirements that regulate them. Regulation (EU) No 528/2012-a synthetic or natural therapeutic substance or non-active material that contains a small amount in an amorphous state, as such an aggregate or agglomeration, with one or more exterior measurements of size between 1–100 nm for 50 percent of total or more of the components in the numerical size distribution [5]. Based on the definitions, the Cosmetic Law principally offers suggestions for the incorporation of drugs, including nanostructures which are deliberately rendered bio-persistent or partially soluble/insoluble. Liposomes, emulsions, plant-based vesicles, and other nanoparticle substances which are degradable and soluble are still not regarded nanostructures and are not covered by this Regulation [6].

As per European community Regulation 1223/2009 (Article 19), beauty products including nanoparticles should be marked as such to establish transparency and predictability and notify consumers as well as other organizations of their occurrence. The nanocomposites must be stated using International Nomenclature of Cosmetic Ingredients (INCI) as a known international nomenclature, with the term “nano” in brackets [7]. For example, zinc oxide (nano-sized) has been approved as an Ultraviolet-filter and used as UV-protective creams extensively. In this case, every item that contains zinc-based nanomaterials must clearly identify “zinc oxide (nano)” in the component list. In accordance to 93/35/EEC, Art. 1 European Commission Directive, a beauty goods is “any material or formulation intended to be located in touch with the numerous human body parts (skin, hair structure, nails, lips, and external genital organs) or the gums and oral mucosa of the buccal cavity with both the sole or primary objective of washing, deodorizing, modifying their appearance and/or attempting to correct body foul odors and/or safeguarding the oral cavity” (Colipa, 2004). This specification outlines the beauty product's targeted application location as well as permitted features [8, 9].

**Table 1 The process of EU chemical-related legislative**

2000	1907/2006	Reach
1990	98/8/EC (Economic Community)	Biocides
	91/414/EEC	Plant protection products
	90/385/EEC	Medical devices
1980	86/609/EEC	Protection of experimental animals
	88/379/EEC	Dangerous preparations
	89/107/EEC	Food additives
	73/404/EEC	Detergents
	76/768/EEC	Cosmetic products
1970	78/631/EEC	Pesticides
	75/324/EC	Aerosol dispensers
	76/211/EEC	Prepackaged products
	80/232/EEC	Nominal capacities
1960	65/65/EEC	Medicinal products
	67/548/EEC	Dangerous substances
1950	25/03/1958	Establishment of the European Economic Community

EC, Economic Community.

### How are personalized cosmetics manufactured?

A multitude of techniques can be used to create personalized cosmetics. Among the most prevalent types of manufacturing facilities is traditional production [10]. The client chooses features using an internet survey, after which, the product is created and shipped to the client's house. Some other common methods are for buyers to blend items on-site at the date of acquisition at online shops. Blending machines are also available for personal usage. This blending machine mix the ingredients of many cassette carrying a base and cosmetic active substances in a predetermined proportion [11]. The finalized formulation and blending percentages are designed first before equipment and casings are delivered to the client. Customization can be obtained by introducing active components or enhancers to widely used makeup.

### The safety prerequisites and responsibilities

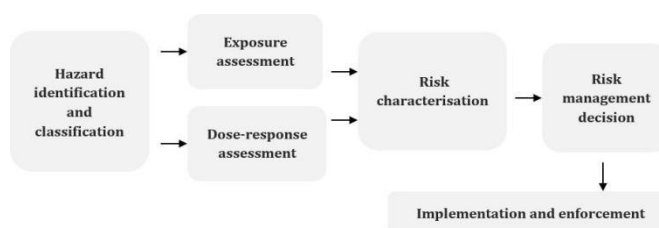
As per new Eu cosmetics laws, “a beauty enhancer products introducing into the market within the society prohibit threat to individual wellbeing when applicable under ordinary or predictable conditions of use, keeping in mind, in specific, the goods display, packaging, labeling and many directions for using it and treatment of waste, as well as every other acknowledgement or details offered by the supplier or his authority to enforce or by any other person. Cosmetic goods must be suitable for public use, as per the maker, his approved representative, or any other individual responsible for bringing the product on the Marketplace (European, 1993a) [12]. Undersigning the purely aesthetic product's safety audit is a sufficient to hold assessor with a stipulated certificate (European, 1989b) in the pharmaceutical science area, medicine, dermatology, toxicology, and any other similar areas, who accepts responsibility for the item's safety when it is used under highly probable conditions. Even cosmetic items which comply with the provisions of Directive 76/768/EEC and its Annexes may very well be positioned in the European marketplace (Art. 3) (European, 1993a). The EU requires member states to take all reasonable steps, through some kind of post-marketing surveillance network, to make sure that only purely aesthetic products which comply with the terms of Directive 76/768/EEC and its Annexes may be placed on the European Nonetheless, enterprise is primarily responsible for the safe use of personal care products [13] (Figure 1).

### The public information prerequisite

In terms of providing the greatest possible metadata to the customers, every substance marketed in the EU should display the additional data on its tag (Art. 6).

(1) The maker or the person responsible of placing on the EU market's name and address. (2) The marginal subject matter of the finished products and the quality of packaging. (3) The least survivability deadline or an identification of the duration of time after having opened, for which the item can be used without causing harm to the consumer. (4) Special preventative measures in use, notably those included within the Annotated European. (5) Item purpose, except as otherwise mentioned. (6) Sample ID, that enables for product traceability [14].

Additionally, the descriptive and analytical content of the aesthetic product and also any existing data on the cosmetic's adverse impact on human beings as a consequence of application, should be made



**Figure 1** Showing different stages of implementation and enforcement of cosmetic laws

freely available to the general public through any appropriate means, such as computerized approaches. Thus according to Regulation 67/548/EEC, the quantitative content is restricted to “toxic materials”, even if the qualitative content is still on the container (a list of ingredients is necessary) [15].

### The “technical information file” prerequisite

A long pre-marketing alert approach for beauty products that would include a comprehensive toxicological report of the substances and the final cosmetic goods, is not necessary according to EU legislation [16]. Alternatively, EU Member States should set up a post-marketing monitoring framework to ensure that companies follow the Cosmetic Product Directive's criteria. Article 7a of the Beauty Product Direction Member States' Responsible Bodies to have access to the relevant information (European, 1993a, 2003).

- (1) Product's qualitative & quantitative composition,
- (2) Ingredients' and cosmetic product's microbiology physiochemistry & purity.
- (3) Production tactic.
- (4) Final purely aesthetic product's safety evaluation.
- (5) Safety assessor's name and address.
- (6) Available information on adverse health outcomes of human beings.
- (7) Evidence of the claimed impacts.
- (8) Documents of testing on animals.

A cosmetic's PIR or TIF is the sum of points a–h [14].

### The appendix of the beauty items directive

As per the superiority of European Directive, the conventional pose of articles (classifications, duties of European Member States, protection provision, etc.) is associated with a few specialized appendices.

- Appendix II: Cosmetics banned components list.
  - Appendix III: a collection of ingredients which are not allowed to be utilized in beauty goods except if they fulfill specified requirements.
- Appendix IV, VI, and VII provide listings of approved dyes and pigments, stabilizers, and Ultraviolet filters, as well as maximum quantities and/or restrictions of its use in cosmetics [16].

The SCCP, named initially as the SCCNFP, supports the Commission in determining the safety of the Annexes' constituents. The SCCP is the component of the DG SANCO and it has a specific responsibility to give consumer product safety recommendations (non-food goods meant for the 6 Rogers Pauwels consumers) [17]. It is comprised of independent scientists with varied backgrounds in medical, toxicological, pharmaceuticals, dermatological, biology, chemistry, and other domains (SCCP, 2006). When it comes to customer safety, population health, and ecological policies and initiatives, the SCCP provides invaluable scientific support to the Commission. Besides that, the ICCG, that also consists of the heads and vice-chairs of SCCP, SCHER, and SCENIHR, makes sure risk evaluation unification and contracts with subject matters which are related to those of more than one Committee, wildly different scientific perceptions, and exchange of information on the actions of the three Committees [18]. Concerns regarding the safety and allergenic attributes of cosmeceutical products and their ingredients, along with their effects on customer wellbeing, gadgets, textile products, clothes and shoes, hygiene products, household products such as cleaning agents, and purchaser services like as getting a tattoo, are resolved by the SCCP (SCCP, 2006; European, 2004a). The committee additionally accomplish extensive hazard evaluations for potential substances for incorporation in the Beauty Product Regulations Annexes in this context [19].

### Testing ban for cosmetics & their ingredients on animals

The cosmetics business has proven to be breeding ground for animal rights groups, policymakers, and parliamentary campaigners to adopt a testing on animals ban since it is generally seen as an opulence product with few health welfare, is inoffensive, and not need to revolution [20]. Despite the fact that testing is banned on animals

form cosmetic safety and its ingredients would save only a small number of animals, the “cosmetics case” had become a striking illustration of how to implement new different methods into legislative changes in a constitutional impelled instead of experimentally impelled fashion. For the first time, Beauty Product Directive sixth amendment incorporated the concept of a cosmetics and ingredient testing restriction [21]. This remark was greatly modified by the proviso that “when there’s been inadequate development in creating adequate methods to substitute testing on animals” specifically, the commission must.

By January 1, 1997, submit proposed procedures to postpone the directive’s enforcement. This provision should be made for a long time, ideally for minimum two years. Nevertheless, since alternative method growth is going slow. The 7th Revision (European, 2003) to Directive No. 76/768/EEC clarified that animal experiments for cosmetic products was no longer required. Beauty products and their contents are restricted from being marketed or evaluated [22]. A commercialization ban is also being phased in while other ways are tested and incorporated into EU legislation. This marketing limitation will take effect on March 11, 2009, except perhaps repeated dose toxicity, reproductive toxicity, and toxicokinetic. Irrespective of whether other non-animals tests are possible, the timeline for such specific health consequences has been set on March 11, 2013. Detailed data on the present state of different methods and their prospective possibilities can be found in section 3.2.1 [23].

#### **Safety appraisal of cosmetic ingredients under the cosmetic products**

**Directive.** There are two separate avenues for the safety assessment of beauty chemicals under current EU beauty regulations. In the safety assessment of cosmetic ingredients with direct applicable to Council Directive 76/768/EEC, such as colorants, preservatives, UV filters, substances with application and/or concentration restrictions, they are assessed by the SCCP, who have been earlier examined by the SCCNFP [24]. If the outcome of the Directive (EU, 1976b), a compound could be added in its relevant Annex. The ultimate decision on inclusion is made by the European Directorate General Enterprise. Just like stated previously, full SCC (NF) P study reported are available for free on the Internet 3, filled with information on the conducted physicochemical and toxicological testing methods, and also their shortcomings and capabilities. The safety of all ingredients in finished cosmetic goods is assessed. The latter would be important for gathering toxicological information for the beauty products under consideration (TIF or PIR). There are no specific supplemental data needed for compounds which are not included by any of the Annexes to Directive 76/768/EEC (EU, 1976b), as stated by Art [25]. With the exception of the results of independent safety checks for some beauty products, access to data is governed by data requirements and data accessibility methods established in different other laws, and confirmation should be done with those products [16]. The SCCP “Points of Instruction” (SCCP, 2006) displays a number of the data requirements with respect to the chemicals mentioned in the Annexes of Regulation 76/768/EEC (EU, 1976b). This section contains information on acute toxicity, skin irritation, skin sensitization, recurrent dose toxicity, mutagenicity, endocrine disruption, carcinogenicity, dermal absorption, toxicokinetic, photo-induced toxicity, and human data. While not every chemical in a TIF/PIR would gain from such a detailed toxicological dataset, the SCC’s hazard and risk assessment criteria can still be applied, which rely on the European Chemicals Bureau’s European Technical Guidance Document on Risk Analysis (ECB, 2003), with SCHER (SCHER, 2005) modifications. Either one highlights the importance of professional judgement in such situations that some are of poor quality [26].

#### **New approaches for a recast of the cosmetic products directive**

The EC proposed a Beauty Products Law (EU, 2008), which would modify the 32 year early Cosmetic Products Directive (EU, 1976b). The purpose of this remake is to integrate the basic regulation with all its updates together while also making some significant adjustments to

the separate sections [27]. Because of redesign is now in the Commission’s planning phase, this will require considerable discussion. European Parliament and Member States suggesting that it will not endure unaltered. However, an overview of the major substitute that are presently being applied is helpful. However, it should be noted that the following list is not full, and it is hard to foresee which of the requirements would be enforced [28].

**Advancing from a Directive to a Regulation.** The main important goals of the recast is to make specific provisions connected to the Beauty Product Directive easier to understand. European rules have the advantage of being standardized. Directives, but at the other hand, are totally enforceable and immediately applicable throughout the EU. Check out the following illustration: the translation of Directive 76/768/EEC into Belgian law is detailed in Appendix 1 [29]. Regulations inherently create a significant administrative burden in the 27 nations that now make up Europe. The clarity will help the member states. The previous directive’s sections have indeed been restructured into chapters that are presented in a logical fashion [30].

#### **Prefacing of a set of definitions**

The recast seeks to describe many situations in which there is judicial unreliability. As a consequence, terms like “manufacturer”, “distributor”, “market entry”, “market availability”, “harmonized standard”, “traces” and “artificial ingredients” must be specified. “UV-filters”, “(serious) negative effect”, “some of the expressions used are “repeal” and “withdrawal”. In Art. 2, precise definitions of numerous sorts of cosmetic items are presented, as well as a list of cosmetic products. “Rinse-off product”, “leave-on product”, “hair product”, and so on”, “skin product” and other terminology like that are employed. There is a preamble to Appendix II–VI. This prelude would take the place of the previous one. The Cosmetic Items Directive (EU, 1976b) includes Annex I, which contains a non-exhaustive catalogue of personal care products. A list of potential cosmetic product groups [31].

**Single European notification and an establish market control.** For some commodity related information, the suggested recast provides a single, consolidated computerized notification system. The recast currently enables for just a single notice and poison control communication at the European level, rather than having to inform each member state and compliance with all national laws (e.g., imparting to poison control centers). The states members have authority for in-market control, and the recast specifies several specific measures that can be taken in the event of non-compliance (e.g., the introduction of penalties) [32].

**New arrangement for CMR substances.** Ingredients classified as CMR Category 1 or 2 are strictly prohibited from being used in cosmetics under the requirements of Directive 67/548/EEC (EU, 1967). The core premise would stay unaltered; however, the recast broadens the opportunities by allowing these compounds to be used in cosmetics provided the SCCP determines that certain usage is safe [33].

**Introduction of harmonized standards.** Throughout the book, the phrase “harmonized standards” is used multiple times. This implies the commission is exploring improving European standards like analytical procedures, claim elaboration, as well as other areas, enabling product compliance certification in these areas [34].

**Resolution on the safety assessment of cosmetic products.** The TIF or PI would have been the “Cosmetic Safety Report” (F). The report’s substance would be laid forth in a freshly formed Annex I to the rule. The Current European Cosmetic Product Implementation Partner 11 A guarantee that the beauty product safety report is maintained updated, a responsible individual will be appointed. The document describes the safety assessor’s credentials and permits risk evaluators from somewhere outside Europe to approve the cosmetics and personal care products safety audit [35].

**“Name of common ingredients glossary” “INCI.”** In the recast, the so-called “Common Ingredients glossary” involves replacing INCI list. The names of around 10,000 major cosmetic components are included in this lexicon, however it is not a list of authorized cosmetic products.



With the exception of the name, this definition is identical to the INCI list. Because the new “Cosmetics Regulation” is still in its initial stages, this chapter does not go into depth about it. The final regulation is not expected to be released until 2009. The only assurance seems to be that all statements related to the current cosmetic regulation (EU, 2003) regarding animal experimentation are permanent and cannot be changed.

#### **Methods of getting regulatory compliance?**

Regulation states that “for every beauty product marketed, the responsible adult must ensure compliance with the relevant duties”. Several provisions of the regulation, as stated below, pertain to customized cosmetic goods. This page does not really cover all of the sections in the code [36].

#### **Good manufacturing practice: Article 8 of the cosmetics Regulation**

Preparations of beauty products must facilities adhere to industry best practices (GMP). It must not have any challenges to the products manufacturing or formulation, manufacturing facilities regularly (i.e., personal products available online). When the cosmetic products is formulated in situ (Retailer store), however, the issue is enormous. When a gadget is used, it becomes a “manufacturing facility” that must adhere to standards good manufacturing. It should be proper calibrated and standardized on a regular basis to ensure correct and consistent volume dispensing. Cleaning and sanitary condition should be proper maintain and those who use should be properly trained, how to use and maintain them. If no device is used by the person and the product is prepare in the store, it should be focused on making sure a person adequately trained, atmosphere cleaned and device calibrated. An automation of high level is envisaged if the device is used at home, but there is still required a GMP compliance (the instrument becomes the manufacturing facility). When operated by a customer should be given accurate and clear instruction to use and ensure that the process produces a good cosmetic product [37].

#### **Safety assessment: Article 10 of cosmetics Regulation**

Before reaching the cosmetic formulation into the market, a safety of the products should be checked, that is, the product before reaching the home or receiving the home. When the cosmetic product is purchased online & shipped to the home, then the time frame should be manageable, as the composition of the products is well known so the safety assessment can prepare in advance as final product reaches the consumer. If the exact composition of product is not known earlier at that time a bigger challenge exists, that is, if the cosmetic formulation is blend & design at the retail stores. In this situation, the RP has to check all the combinations of the ingredients of the cosmetic product & for each combination; a safety assessment is prepared. So, the formulation placed in the market is covered the possible safety assessment by the help of different concentration range, but if the concentration is variable for more than one ingredient, then this approach is not feasible as the interaction of the ingredient is difficult to predict. As an alternative to get the solution, we can perform a safety assessment in situ by the help of good software, but there are some limitation, e.g., time require for completion of the task & for the safety analyzer to sign the text. Safety problems may come with the formulation (blend at retail store). Due to some practical reasons most probably the microbiological quality of product is not check and due to this reason, it is questionable for the safety or without this data we consider the product is safe.

After mixing the final product ingredient of several cartridges, the device used in the home will be known. Before the product reaches the customer a safety assessment should be taken. Therefore it can be considered as a cosmetic kit. Important safety problems may arise, when boosters or actives are used. Boosters and actives have their own safety assessment (as the individual product is represented) before the product is reaching to the market; the product combination of booster and active requires an additional assessment with regular cosmetic

products (commonly called as base). If the formulated company is the same for both booster and base, in that case, the property of the final composition may be interrupted and the advance safety evaluation will be performed. Moreover, if the approach is limited and formulated by other company. Moreover, a safety aspect is unless to be perform in such a way of combinations, so that the outcome of the products having no compliance & this was more essential to correlate the safety issues. Although, the marketed product having some efficacy to boost or activating parameters by which they would be referred for commercial uses which are based on their manufacturing brand unless these brands are co-operative. In July 2017, it confirmed by the French National Agency for the safety of the medicated & health care formulation (ANSM) assign a warning letter which is related to the place of marketing these products, that's why the resulting mixture has significant safety properties to make the product in a highlighted performance [38].

#### **Sampling and analysis: under Article 10 of cosmetics Regulation**

Assuming sampling and evaluation during the production of the cosmetics is completed “in a dependable and reproducible manner” as needed through the regulation, the main task area & capacity boundaries if a sample of every synthetic batch ought to be stored. In regular production facilities in addition to products blended in the retail store, many small batches may beformulatein place of one single huge lot: every producer for each single purchaser may be a distinctive batch. This is probably simpler to resolve for big production facilities, however now no longer so straight forward for a retailer store. If a local tool is used, batches of sample may be combined to individual components & saved through the producer at their centres, which must be feasible as larger batchof every cartridge may be produced.

#### **CPNP notification: Article 10 of cosmetics Regulation**

If all aspect combos may be expected and are known, then notification of the product can be organized in advance. It is easy for merchandise bought online and for products organized in the retailer shop in advance, if possible, constituent combos are regarded; whether to notify the choice with inside the latter case is precise aspect combos (because of this, that numerous different notification) or to inform the different ranges of ingredient (which could permit a single notification to be accomplished cover in numerous products). Products that are mixed at home, then we can achieve the notification in advance, if we include them as a kit. For boosters & actives, it may be taken as a single ingredient; complete product notification (after the base is mixed) onlypossible if merchandise from the identical emblem are used or if the manufacturer's co-function&expose ingredients. However, it is bigger challenge than expected to get the notification of customized product level [39].

#### **Article 19 of cosmetics Regulation: labelling**

As per the Regulation, cosmetic products should encompass the subsequent object son the product label: RP details, nominal content, country of origin (if outdoor the EU), date of minimal sturdiness or Period After Opening (PAO), precautions & guide lines to be used, batch number, the feature of the product, & listing of ingredients. This should pose no issues for products synthetic at regular facilities, as the time framelets in for the appropriate label design. For products mixed in the retail store, the labellingshould be carried out in situ, an expiry date, batch no and personalizes guidelines to be used and warnings, if vital, at the time of purchase. In line with the product's composition, ingredients should also be successfully listed. An IT tool is used for achieving this.

#### **Communication of serious undesirable effects: under Article 23 of the cosmetic regulation**

According to the definition of regulation, the serious or unexpected effects of the adverse reactions for healthy individual person recognized to the normal and valuable uses of cosmetics thought the resulting outcomes are not permanently feasible with some condition congenital anomalies, disability, incapacity, hospitalization or

immediate fatal risk of death. During the complicated events will show the most reliable content towards the persons responsibility & from where the marketed cosmetics products would be purchased by the selling point of view, which is not notified by the competent authority but if there are not any significant issues related to the standard operating procedure [40].

#### **Other article of the cosmetic regulation**

The responsibility of the person will consider that there is no compliance during the addition of article regulation, which is given below. They do not take an overview of this article in depth, so the complaints are more straight forward toward the major challenging aspects of cosmetic product [41].

#### **Evaluation of nano- enhanced products and specification**

Under the Article 13, the cosmetic directives say that all the marketed cosmetic products in Europe should be included in the CPNP with the responsible person like a distributor or manufacturer. They ensure that the online information related to cosmetics is completely reliable ability under the authority of competent, which is similar to EU body, for the direct treatment of undesirable complications and purpose of market surveillance. The responsible person should declare by the Cosmetic Product Notification Portal that the cosmetic product will contain UV-filters, preservatives, excluding colorants, nanomaterials or other elicited ingredients. The safety requirement will increase by the use of nano-enhanced products which is more convenient for demanding the cosmetic products, during the evaluation period of six month of Cosmetic Product Notification Portal dossier earlier to the commercialization. In this period, there is concerned raised by SCCS. Thus, the responsibilities of authorized person give some publication ides for health & safety risk of non-food consuming services and products are said to be a toxicological profile of that appraisal.

Similarly, the composition of cosmetics has some satisfactory aspects according to the definition of regulation nano material mentioned in Article 2, which is subjected to determination of involvement of risk management and safety data profile of that assessment. Nano materials which do not include in Annexures 3, 4, 5 & 6 of the cosmetic regulation have not mentioned the overall risk of assessment by the Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety, responsible person will provide the commission for the following information.

- (1) Evaluation of nanomaterial preferred by IUPAC.
- (2) Toxicological properties of NM.
- (3) Physiochemical properties of the NM (e.g. surface charge, size)
- (4) The annual quantity of nanomaterial assessment proposed to reach the market with the cosmetic products.
- (5) Safety profile of nanomaterial with respect to risk of assessment
- (6) Exposure condition should be reasonable [42].

#### **Nanomaterial identification**

To the notice of new NM on Cosmetic Product Notification Portal, responsible person is needed to categorize the desired formulation, for which nanomaterial is intended. There will be 3 categories of levels.

Level 1- Skin product

Level 2- Make-up product

Level 3- Eyeliner or lipstick

Which is fully characterized by each product & availability of choices of each level according to the present selection of cosmetic products. Moreover, there is no legal value of closing & use only for the information purpose, for the use of cosmetic products, it is legally accepted that the suggestion presence of the substance in database is not essential to imply. Nanomaterials IUPAC name and other descriptors are final step for the identification section, like INCI, CAS No. etc. and the contact details of responsible person. Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety (SCCS) suggests that for the use of NM in cosmetic products, it should be characterized at least at 3 stages: (1) in raw material form, (2) after adding up to final formulation, (3) at

the time of toxicology investigations. Due to the lack of degradation, it is not feasible for characterization of nanomaterial in different stages and methodology which clearly assign the justification and documentation [43].

#### **Toxicological profile**

Challenges that are usually assigned for the uses of nanomaterial which is essential aid for discerning for the conventional cosmetic composition that has been pointed out in the harmonizing the phases of new cosmetic regulation. Despite this, their various regulatory authorities that considered to be the nanomaterials could be evaluated by adopting the already existing consequents. On the basis of above, the toxicological aspects of nanomaterial can be identified by various methods like in vivo, in vitro and in silico studies to examine hazardous affinity of the cosmetic products. Although there will be several in vitro studies are preferred for these assessments to determine, the critical hazard while in vivo studies we consider significant risk assessment approaches, particularly consider the evaluation of dose response in the given studies. Despite these, a prohibition of animal testing for cosmetic formulation by the commission in 2009, somehow there are some complications in toxicological profile of new nanomaterial assessment. The record of significant toxicity profile of nanomaterial is maintained and submit the exact dose profile that could be evaluated by CPNP which involve the minimal summary of toxicological study which is assigned by SCCS (SCCS/1484/12) or this will also mention in the meaningful scientific literature. The animal study was banned by enforcing the directive committee under provision of regulation (EC) No. 1223/2009. So, the resulting outcomes of animal study for cosmetic ingredient was strictly banned according to the European legislation & also banned for marketing purpose of any particular cosmetic product comes under the violation of this provision. In some exceptional cases, the animal testing can allow for reproductive toxicity assessment with some repeated dose of toxic profile and toxicokinetic parameter till May 11 2013. At the end of this study order will comply with the recent limitation on animal testing, many alternatives would be come across the in silico and in vivo study of cosmetics to finalize the product. Rather there are some challenges in European commission to accept only those toxicological profile that have a significant validation & there will be a recent approved programs suited to study the toxicological hazards [44].

#### **Exposure assessment**

The identification of possible exposure routes is also known as an exposure assessment. This exposure assessment is an important decision during the risk evaluation of any substance or a product. Any cosmetic ingredient, including nano-materials, must meet this requirement. By using in vitro or in vivo research, this systemic exposure can estimate what is necessary. A requirement to estimate the possibility and degree of NM distribution through the skin, while taking into account considerations pertaining to the lungs or gastrointestinal tract, nano-aspects [31]. As a result, the dose of nano-material exposure must be carefully considered especially in case of non-physiological route and it is possible as an inhalation substitute. The RP must include information on the exposure conditions by stating, at the very least, the sort of cosmetic, type of cosmetic and also the concentration of nano-material (Table 2) [45].

#### **Overall assessment**

Finally, any NM's overall risk should be expressed as follows of margins of safety, as it is with conventional constituent. It is derived using data about cosmetic product's category, toxicological profile, any local/systemic contact, and the nanomaterials physicochemical characterization. Manufacturers of cosmetic should bear in mind that nanomaterials differ from conventional ingredients in that their tiny size makes them more permeable to cell systems,

**Table 2 Checklist for information on exposure**

A/A	Exposure related information
2	Estimation of dermal exposure which is based on intended use of product
3	Apply to sun-exposed parts of the skin
4	Cosmetic category in which ingredient is used.
5	Fix the quantity likely to enter the body
6	Use 1 frequency
7	Ingredients concentration in the final product.
8	Total area of skin which is in contact.
9	Several target groups by consumer
10	Estimation of oral exposure
11	For targeted group calculation of exposure
12	Other important and relevant information [35].

adding further dimension to their toxic potential and exposure conditions [34]. Due to its unique features (e.g., surface characteristics) and small dimensions, NMs can quickly achieve specific organs that are normally impossible to reach by conventional substances. The SCCS necessitates a full review of NM systemic side effects, specifically for those that are non-soluble dissolved and bio-persistent. The SCCS has suggested that nano-aspects being addressed during these procedures, since they could otherwise pose severe potential dangers [46].

#### Cosmetics and nanotechnology products database

A Nano Product Data (NPD) is a database containing correct info about nano-materials goods used for a wide range of industries. The NPD had gotten over 9,000 product registration form 2,440 firms in 61 countries. This NPD data includes information about 829 nano-enhanced cosmetics, that span almost 100 different product types. 230 businesses with headquarters in 29 countries have commercialized these nano-cosmetics worldwide. The goods are divided into the following: beauty, personal services, end up making, hair care products, disinfecting well-being, metals 2021, 11, 455, 11 of 15. According to the NPD, 330 of these nano-cosmetic items have been sold in Europe (Table 3).

It is clear that some nano-cosmetics are already on the marketplace, despite a lack of evidence about the safety of the nano-materials they may contain (e.g., gold or silicon dioxide). This has not gone undetected by the SCCS, which sought more scientific evidence on gold nanoparticles in leave-on/rinse-off skin cosmetics, taking into account reasonably foreseeable exposure situations, in October 2019. Since no particular judgment on colloidal gold has been released (research in process), no conclusions concerning the safety of these nano-entities could be reached at around this time [47].

However, most of the manufacturers comply with the EU legislation, commercializing nano-materials that have previously been approved and have undergone a thorough risk evaluation by SCCS. As stated in the respective judgments, titanium dioxide can be used for specific applications. To circumvent regulatory issues entirely, some companies have recently focused on nano-scale materials which are degradable, soluble, non-permanent. These materials (e.g., nanoliposomes) are not considered nano-materials as a result of their

**Table 3 Nano-cosmetics commercially available in European countries**

NO.	Country	Number of Nano-cosmetics
1	Austria	10
2	Germany	82
3	Belgium	5
4	UK	117
5	Italy	1
6	Sweden	3
7	Poland	18
8	France	69
9	New Zealand	2
10	Spain	4

origin and being registered in CPNP, it can freely use in the cosmetics, while nevertheless retaining a desirable set of qualities for the cosmetic industry (Table 4) [37, 48].

#### 2022 Guidelines

The first quarter of 2022 is over. Hence, the COS law Team prepared below a summary of what happened in the EU cosmetics regulatory framework between January and March. In the end, you will also find a section on what is likely to occur in the following months. Check it to make sure you are updated (Table 5).

If you have missed what happened last year, you can check our previous articles.

What happened in Q4 2021 and what can we expect next?

What happened in Q2-Q3 2021 and what can we expect next?

#### Q1 2022–What happened ?

The biggest news for the industry: starting March 1, 2022, Omnibus Act IV is applicable. 23 new ingredients, including Linal and Zinc Pyrithione, are now prohibited for use in cosmetics. Thus, these substances can no longer be found in cosmetics sold in the EU: beauty brands must have recalled and reformulated their products.

On February 1, 2022, the European Commission published the Regulation (EU) 2022/135 that foresees new restrictions for the fragrance ingredient M-N-MA. The limits concern both the formulation content and storing conditions. To find out further details and the application deadlines, read our article: Restrictions on the use of M-N-MA in cosmetics.

On February 3, 2022, the European Commission notified the draft Omnibus Act V to the WTO. It provides the ban of 14 new cosmetic ingredients and several restrictions for Methyl Salicylate.

The public consultation on the targeted revision of the EU Cosmetics Regulation is open. It will last from March 28, 2022, until June 20, 2022. The European Commission asks all interested parties to provide their feedback on the proposed changes to the Regulation, which we have already discussed.

The COS law Team closely monitors the SCCS. It is a great way to find out which ingredients the European Commission will ban or restrict in the future. Moreover, Safety Assessors closely follow the SCCS Opinions when assessing cosmetic products.

In light of the above, between January and March 2022, the SCCS

issued the final opinions on Kojic acid, and prostaglandins and prostaglandin-analogues, and the preliminary opinions on Alfa-arbutin and Beta-arbutin, Triclocarban and Triclosan, Genistein and Daidzein. Moreover, the European Commission mandated the SCCS to assess the safety of the following substances: Hydropatite (nano), Sodium Bromothymol Blue, Citral, and Benzyl Salicylate [49].

#### Q2–Q4 2022 –What can we expect next ?

Firstly, according to the draft Regulation notified to the WTO, the European Commission will further restrict the UV filters Benzophenone-3 and Octocrylene. Moreover, the European Commission will likely publish the Implementing Decision updating the glossary of common ingredient names, which will apply 12 months after publication. Lastly, a Regulation imposing stricter labelling requirements for Formaldehyde releasers will be adopted. In fact, Formaldehyde is a CMR substance of category 1B (carcinogenic) and a skin sensitizer. Therefore, it is prohibited for use in cosmetics. However, some of the preservatives allowed for use in cosmetics (Annex V to the EU Cosmetics Regulation) release Formaldehyde to perform their function (the so-called Formaldehyde releasers).

To inform consumers about the presence of Formaldehyde that may trigger an allergic reaction, the European Commission will require cosmetics to be labelled with the warning “release Formaldehyde” if the total concentration of Formaldehyde released in the finished product exceeds 0.001%, irrespective of whether the finished product contains one or more Formaldehyde releasers [50].

**Table 4 Nano-materials featured in cosmetic products available in Europe**

NO.	Ingredient	Number of Nano-cosmetics
1	Titanium dioxide	73
2	Silver	42
3	Q10 (Vitamin C and E)	36
4	Carbon	28
5	Gold	15
6	Silicon dioxide	11
7	Argan	9
8	Silver	6
9	Snail	5
10	Zinc oxide	3
11	Hyaluronic acid	3
12	Retinol	2
13	Organoclay	2
14	Hydroxy stearic acid	1



**Table 5 Represents latest guidelines of 2022**

Guideline	Date	Description
Q1 2022	March 1, 2022	Omnibus Act IV is applicable. 23 new ingredients, including Linal and Zinc Pyrithione, are now prohibited for use in cosmetics.
	February 1, 2022,	European Commission published the Regulation (EU) 2022/135 that foresees new restrictions for the fragrance ingredient M-N-MA.
	February 3, 2022	European Commission notified the draft Omnibus Act V to the WTO.
	March 28, 2022	The public consultation on the targeted revision of the EU Cosmetics Regulation is open.
Q2–Q4 2022	Between January and March 2022	The SCCS issued the final opinions on Kojic acid, and prostaglandins and prostaglandin-analogues The European Commission will further restrict the UV filters Benzophenone-3 and Octocrylene.
		The European Commission will likely publish the Implementing Decision updating the glossary of common ingredient names
		Regulation imposing stricter labelling requirements for Formaldehyde releasers will be adopted  Formaldehyde that may trigger an allergic reaction, the European Commission will require cosmetics to be labelled with the warning “release Formaldehyde” if the total concentration of Formaldehyde released in the finished product exceeds 0.001%,

## Conclusion

As per the Nanotechnology Goods Database, the amount of nano-enhanced cosmetic items here on European market has grown, with nearly 2% of all personal care products reported with in CPNP having any sort of NM in 2018. Both Cosmetics Regulations & current SCCS decisions offer adequate details on all the data needed for just a full vulnerability assessment of a new nano-materials, including its physicochemical description, toxicology profiling, or anticipated thermal properties. Regarding the submission of fresh stuff to CPNP, this same SCCS assesses an NM's risk analysis & issues a statement, whether approving utilization or indicating any risks that continuous use of such a NM might pose.

Regardless, many of these nano-enhanced products contain NMs which were not allowed by that of the European Commission's Cosmetic Regulation just at time of its launch. However, SCCS alone has approved five non-soluble or bio-persistent nanomaterials to be used in cosmetic, two of those are metal nanomaterials of zinc oxide & titanium dioxide, having clear indications as to its requisite properties (e.g., size, concentration) & intended uses. As a conclusion, there is indeed a clear gap between market growth & system quality in terms of available safety information for using nano-enhanced products,

making now it's an ideal time to prepare new NMs at CPNP.

A regulatory system governing nano-enhanced goods about the above needs to be established, or the authority's demands should be maintained & strengthened. Regardless of the law demands nano-ingredients to also be authorized by European Commission before use in cosmetics, it is not always the situation. As just a consequence, recalls of nano-enhanced products are becoming common, subjecting its manufacturers to legal responsibility. This can be difficult to meet legal responsibilities of individualized items, however, with the right technique, many instances could be met. Not much of the options for putting a personalized cosmetic product (internet purchasing and manufacturing at a conventional facility; on-site mixing at a retail outlet; mixing activities or enhancers with a baseline cosmetics) make compliance easy.

The new, revised regulation which takes into account the unique problems that personalized cosmetic present could allow the Single Market to adopt uniform best practices. At the very least, the guidelines must define every relevant manufacturing and distribution techniques, address every situation in regard to customer protection, providing producers with such a clear and appropriate approach to guarantee compliance. Only online orders and use of domestic devices appears to meet this Regulation's aforementioned requirements with

in lack of this recommendation. These techniques provide item compositional management as well as quick safety analysis & item reporting. On either hand, on-site production (in the retail outlet) creates more regulatory & safety concerns.

Furthermore, any usage of active ingredients or enhancers is likely to just be compatible unless they have been blended with such a basis of this or a cooperative brand (and thus the composition is revealed). As per the NPD, overall number of nano-enhanced cosmetics items available just on European market has grown, with nearly 2% of any and all personal care products reported as in CPNP in 2018 including some sort of NM.

The Cosmetics Regulation and existing SCCS judgments give adequate information on those relevant facts for just a full risk evaluation of a new nano-materials, such as its physicochemical characteristic, toxicology profiles, or anticipated exposures circumstances. Regarding the approval of fresh stuff to CPNP, SCCS assesses the nanomaterials risk analysis & issues a comment, either approving usage and indicating the risks that repeated use of this nanomaterial may pose. Despite this, several of these nano-enhanced cosmetics contain nanomaterials which were not approved by European Commission's Cosmetic Regulations just at time of initial launch.

As a consequence, there is indeed a clear gap between product demand & technology readiness in terms of current safety information for using nano-enhanced products, making now its an ideal time to line up new NMs in CPNP. Because of low integration of metallic NMs in cosmetic, notwithstanding its appealing features, and the usage of several non-metallic NPs in cosmetic products, this community's focus is on organizing order to incorporate metallic NMs in cosmetics.

With relation to the aforementioned, the regulatory framework governing nano-enhanced goods must be continuously established, as well as the authority demands must be maintained & strengthened. Regardless of the fact that regulation requires the European Commission to approve nano-ingredients before they can be used in cosmetics, that's not always the case. As a consequence, nano-enhanced products have frequently been recalled, subjecting their manufacturers to legal responsibility.

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