Commitment to Research

To add to the scientific understanding of formaldehyde, the Foundation has supported research in three critical data streams. Foundation research has included reviews of human epidemiological studies, which provide information on possible distribution of health effects in the population; toxicology studies conducted in laboratory animal models, which use controlled exposures to provide information about possible impacts and relevance to humans; and evaluations of mode of action information, which help us understand the mechanism by which a chemical could act in the human body. Once information is gathered and assessed from each of these data streams, it can be integrated into chemical assessments to build science based understanding of possible health impacts. Below are several research projects that have been supported by the Foundation, which address each of these areas.

I. Epidemiological Evidence

II. Toxicology and Mode of Action Evidence


III. Chemical Assessment


