Aluminum - sources of human exposure

TABLE 7. Summary of uses of aluminium and its compounds - pharmaceuticals, food additives, cosmetics and other household products^a

Compound ^b	Common Uses ^c
Acetylglycerrhetinic acid, aluminium salt	Antiulcerative
Aluminium	Aluminium foil; colour ingredient: topical drugs, food packaging
Aluminium acetate	Astringent; antiseptic; in food packaging
Aluminium ammonium sulphate (anhydrous and dodecahydrate)	Astringent; food additive
Aluminium basic acetate	Antiseptic; antiperspirant
Aluminium benzoate	Antimicrobial
Aluminium bis(acetylsalicylate)	Analgesic, antipyretic
Aluminium bromohydrate	Antiperspirant
Aluminium butyrate	Food packaging ingredient
Aluminium carbonate - basic	Antacid; phosphate binder
Aluminium chloride hexahydrate	Antiperspirant
Aluminium chlorohydrate	Antiperspirant
Aluminium chlorohydrex	Topical drug: acne
Aluminium citrate	Antiperspirant
Aluminium di(2-ethylhexoate)	Food packaging ingredient
Aluminium fatty-acid salts	Food packaging ingredient
Aluminium glycinate	Antacid
Aluminium hexaurea sulphate triiodide	Drinking water antiseptic
Aluminium hydroxide	Antacid; antidiarrheal; food colouring agent; topical drugs:
	diaper rash, anti-fungal, acne; food packaging ingredient; vaccine adjuvant
Aluminium hydroxychloride	Astringent; anti-hyperphosphatemic
Aluminium lactate	Antiseptic; in dental impression material
Aluminium magnesium silicate	Antacid; topical acne
Aluminium metal silicates (sodium and/or calcium)	Food Anticaking agent
Aluminium methanedisulphonate	Astringent
Aluminium nicotinate	Antihyperlipoproteinemic; source of niacin
Aluminium nitrate	Antiperspirant
Aluminium phenolsulphonate	Antiperspirant; antimicrobial agent
Aluminium phosphate	Antacid; vaccine adjuvant; dental cement
Aluminium potassium silicate (anhydrous)	Food packaging ingredient
Aluminium potassium silicate (hydrated)	Drug colouring agent; cosmetic ingredient
Aluminium potassium sulphate/ Aluminium potassium sulphate dodecahydrate	Astringent; antiperspirant; water purification agent; baking powder; topical: diaper rash, anti-fungal; food additive; in preparation of vaccine adjuvants
Aluminium silicate (anhydrous)	Dental cement; food packaging ingredient
Aluminium silicate (hydrated)	Food packaging ingredient
Aluminium sodium carbonate hexitol complex	Antacid
Aluminium sodium sulphate/ aluminium sodium sulphate dodecahydrate	As for potassium alum
Aluminium sulphate/aluminium sulphate octadecahydrate	Antiperspirant; topical: diaper rash, anti-fungal; food additive
Basic aluminium clofibrate	Antilipimic
Basic aluminium salicylates	Antidiarrheal
Basic aluminium-magnesium carbonate tetrahydrate	Antacid
Basic aluminium-magnesium sulphate dihydrate	Antacid
Basic sodium aluminium phosphate	Food additive; leavening agent
Bismuth aluminate	Antacid
Dihydroxy aluminium sodium carbonate	Antacid
Dihydroxyaluminium allentoinate	Astringent; antiulcerative
Dihydroxyaluminium acetylsalicylate	Analgesic, antipyretic
Polyoxyaoluminum acetylsalicylate	Analgesic
Sodium aluminium chlorohydroxy lactate	Antiperspirant; cosmetic products
Sucrose octakissulphate aluminium salt	Antiulcerative

^aMajor sources: Lie et al. (1990/1991); The Merck Index (2001); Office of the Federal Register (2003); ChemFinder.com (http://chemfinder.cambridgesoft.com).

^bCAS Numbers are listed in Table 2.

^cFor some of the compounds listed, industrial uses are provided in Table 6.