Dangerous preparations: classification, packaging and labelling

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In adopting the report by Mrs Monica BALDI (UPE, I) by 216 votes to 125 with 3 abstentions Parliament strengthened the provisions of the Commission proposal on the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous preparations. In its amendments Parliament states that tests on animals may be carried out only if the toxicological properties of a preparation cannot be established in any other way, possibly on the basis of the conventional method or validated alternative method not using tests on animals. It also requires that if a preparation is advertised on television, radio, in the printed media, on posters, by mail shots or other marketing methods there must be a clear reference to every hazardous property of the preparation. Parliament also demands that information such as 'non-harmful' and 'eco' or any other statement indicating that a preparation is not dangerous or which might lead to an underestimation of the hazards of such preparations should not appear on the packaging or labelling of the preparations subject to this directive.