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# **1,2-DICHLOROBENZENE**

CAS N°: 95-50-1

# **SIDS Initial Assessment Report**

## For

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#### SIDS INITIAL ASSESSMENT PROFILE

CAS No.	95-50-1
Chemical Name	1,2-Dichlorobenzene
Structural Formula	CI

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

**Health**: The chemical is not a candidate for further work. **Environment**: The chemical is a candidate for further work.

#### SUMMARY CONCLUSIONS OF THE SIAR

#### **Human Health**

1,2-Dichlorobenzene has been shown to cause eye and respiratory irritation in humans at exposure levels above 100 ppm. Skin irritation has been observed following dermal application in humans and animals.

1,2-Dichlorobenzene is absorbed via the oral route. Absorption via the dermal or inhalation routes is poorly characterized. Inhalation is expected to be the major route for human exposure. The available toxicological data indicate that metabolic profiles and effects from 1,2-dichlorobenzene exposure are similar in rats, mice and humans. Animal studies with rats and mice have shown 1,2-dichlorobenzene to induce acute hepatotoxic effects. The LD<sub>50</sub> for a single oral exposure to 1,2-dichlorobenzene for the rat ranges from 1516 to 2138 mg/kg bw. The LC<sub>100</sub> for the rat is  $\leq$  977 ppm (5.9 mg/L) for a 10 hour exposure. During a 4 hour exposure, 1 of 20 rats died at 941 ppm (5.6 mg/L). In humans, the acute effects of 1,2-dichlorobenzene by ingestion or inhalation are reported to be headache, nausea, vomiting, vertigo, malaise and unconsciousness.

Several oral studies of rats and mice ranging from 10 days to 2 years duration indicate that the adverse effects include increases in liver and kidney weights and hepatotoxicity. From these repeat dose studies, the NOAEL for non-neoplastic effects was 60 mg/kg bw, while the LOAEL was 120 mg/kg bw due to increased renal tubular regeneration in male mice.

In several microbial organisms and mammalian systems, 1,2-dichlorobenzene tested negative *in vitro*. However, it did induce sister chromatid exchanges in Chinese Hamster ovary cells and increased mutation frequency in mouse lymphoma cells, both in the presence of metabolic activation. 1,2-dichlorobenzene was negative in several *in vivo* mammalian tests, except one of two micronuclei assays in mouse bone marrow was positive. In a two-year oral study in rats and mice, 1,2-dichlorobenzene was considered not to be carcinogenic (maximum dose of 120 mg/kg bw). In an inhalation 2-generation reproduction study in rats, no fertility effects were observed and reduced pup weight during lactation occurred at doses toxic to adults. The NOAEL and LOAEL (kidney and liver effects) for adult rats were 50 (0.3 mg/L) and 150 ppm (0.6 mg/L) respectively. In developmental studies in rats and rabbits, developmental effects were only seen in rats at maternally toxic doses (400 ppm, 2.4 mg/L). No human epidemiological studies have been conducted.

#### **Environment**

1,2-Dichlorobenzene has a water solubility of 155.8 mg/L; vapour pressure of 0.196 kPa; and Log Kow of 3.4. It is expected to partition mainly to the atmospheric compartment where its primary removal mechanism will be through reaction with hydroxyl radicals (half life <50 days). Where released to either soil or water compartments, a major removal mechanism being volatilisation up into the surrounding atmosphere. However, adsorption to sediment may also be a major fate process. Biodegradation studies (generally following non-standard procedures) show 1,2-

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dichlorobenzene to be biodegradable under aerobic conditions where bacterial populations have been acclimatised to the chemical. However, where bacterial populations are not acclimatised, the chemical can not be regarded as ready biodegradable. The chemical is not degraded under anaerobic conditions. 1,2-Dichlorobenzene has a high potential for bioconcentration in the fatty tissue of aquatic species with BCFs based on lipid content up to 8710 for fish, and 28840 for a crab species. However, depuration from exposed organisms is expected to be rapid once exposure ceases.

1,2-Dichlorobenzene has been tested on a wide range of aquatic organisms under acute exposure, although chronic data are scarce. Results for fish ranged from 96 h LC50=1.58 mg/L for rainbow trout to 57 mg/L for fathead minnow. Both acute and chronic toxicity to aquatic invertebrates were obtained with two results showing high acute toxicity, namely EC50's of 0.78 mg/L and 0.66 mg/L to *Daphnia* and *Ceriodaphnia* respectively. Results from exposure to algae showed EC50 values in the 1-100 mg/L range for 1,2-dichlorobenzene. Toxicity to microorganisms can be considered slight.

Although the major compartment expected to be exposed to 1,2-dichlorobenzene is the atmosphere, there are no ecotoxicity results available for organisms exposed through the gas phase. The chlorine substituents on the chemical suggest a potential for effects on stratospheric ozone. However, the chemical is unlikely to persist long enough to escape the troposphere, although it may persist long enough to undergo long range atmospheric transport.

While there are a large number of acute data covering all trophic levels, chronic data are scarce. Therefore, an assessment factor of 100 has been chosen. The result used for determining the PNEC was the lowest chronic value obtained, i.e. 21 d NOEC = 0.63 mg/L for *Daphnia magna*. The PNEC<sub>aquatic</sub> was therefore determined to be 6.3  $\mu$ g/L.

#### Exposure

1,2-Dichlorobenzene is manufactured in Europe, the USA, Canada, Mexico and China. Production figures were reported to be approximately 16,500 tonnes for Western Europe in 1983 and approximately 23,680 tonnes produced by the USA in 1984. More recent data indicates that in 1999 production in the Western World was 54,000 tonnes, with the predominant uses being chemical synthesis and use as a solvent.

The main industrial use of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in Australia is as a solvent with approximately 86% used in the agricultural sector for wool branding products. The chemical is also used as an automotive and marine degreaser/decarboniser and in industrial paint strippers, industrial deodorants and a small amount in a single pharmaceutical preparation.

Occupational exposure to 1,2-dichlorobenzene can occur during manufacture and end use, with inhalation the major route of exposure. Potential for consumer exposure from the use of products and human exposure via the environment is expected to be low.

#### NATURE OF FURTHER WORK RECOMMENDED

**Environment**: 1,2-Dichlorobenzene is toxic and bioconcentrates. Additionally, it may be considered persistent due to its lack of biodegradation where microbial communities are not acclimatised. Member countries may wish to undertake a more in-depth exposure analysis and if then indicated, a risk assessment may be considered.

# **FULL SIDS SUMMARY**

CAS NO: 95-50-1	SPECIES	PROTOCOL	RESULTS
PHYSICAL-CHEMICAL			
Melting Point			-16.7 °C (1.94°F)
Boiling Point			180.3 °C (356°F)
Density			1.3007 kg/L (@25 °C)
Vapour Pressure			0.196 kPa (@ 25°C)
Vapour Density			5.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup> (@ 20°C)
Partition Coefficient (Log P <sub>ow</sub> )			3.4
Water Solubility			155.8 mg/L (@ 25°C)
Solubility in organic solvents			Miscible with most organic solvents
Henry's Law Constant (25°C)			193 Pa.m³/mol
Flash Point (closed cup)			66 °C (150°F)
Ignition Temperature			648 °C (1198°F)
Flammability Limits			Upper 9.2% Lower 2.2%
ENVIRONMENTAL FATE/BIODEGRADATION			
Fugacity model  Atmospheric fate		level I	At equilibrium, partition mainly as: 94.6% to atmosphere 2.8% to soil 2.5% to water  Direct photolysis unlikely.
•			Will react with photochemically produced hydroxyl radicals with troposphere global hydroxyl radical concentration of 5X10 <sup>5</sup> molecules/cm <sup>3</sup> , calculated half-life is 38±2 days.  Atmospheric wash out accounts for <i>o</i> -DCB in rainwater.

Aquatic fate		Readily volatile with a Henry's Law
		constant of 193Pa.m³/mol. at 25°C. Volatilisation main removal mechanism
		from surface water and soil.
		Volatilisation half-life in shallow stream <1 hour and up to 60 days for deep slow moving river.
		Adsorption to sediments is a major fate process.
		Photolytic degradation due to hydroxyl radicals likely – estimated half-life 12.8 days.
		Mineralisation likely – produce CO <sub>2</sub> and HCl.
		Persistent and slightly mobile in groundwater. Estimated half-life in groundwater 30-300 days.
Terrestrial fate		Medium to slight mobility in soils – Log $K_{oc}$ = 2.5 in soil with OC of 1.9%; Log $K_{oc}$ = 3.76 and 4.62 in aquifer soil with OC of 0.02 or 0.018%.
		Two-step first order kinetic model accounts for decrease in DCB in soil – 80% removal in first 35 days, additional 4.3% over the next 224 days.
Biodegradation		Aerobic biodegradation:
		If inoculum unacclimatised then very small degradation. Degradation with acclimatised inoculum 93-100%.
		Anaerobic/Anoxic biodegradation:
		No degradation in soil column under anaerobic conditions.
		Unlikely to be extensively degraded under anaerobic conditions in aquatic compartment.
Bioaccumulation		Some tendancy to bioaccumulate – BCF <sub>(whole organism)</sub> fish 142-560, crab 144, algae 6212-19700; BCF <sub>(Lipid content)</sub> fish 3240-8710, crab 28840. Elimination expected to be rapid when transferred to clean environment.  Some uptake by benthic worms but eliminated quickly in clean environment.
ECOTOXICOLOGY		CHVIIOIIIICHL.
	Racillus (TT 91)	20 min ovnogura EC50 = 160+12 m - /I
Toxicity to micro-organisms	Bacillus (TL 81) – from activated sludge	30 min exposure EC50 = $169\pm13$ mg/L

	Activated sludge bacteria	OECD TG 210	3 hr EC50 = 100 mg/L
	Photobacterium phosphoreum	Microtox test	5 min exposure, EC50 = 10.25±0.35 mg/L
	Photobacterium phosphoreum	Microtox test	30 min exposure EC50 = 4.0 mg/L 5 min exposure EC50 = 2.7 mg/L
	Tetrahymena pyriformis (Ciliate)		24 hr, static, LC50 = 51 mg/L
Acute toxicity to Aquatic Plants			96 hr ErC50 = 2.2, NOEC = 0.88 mg/L 96 hr EC50 = 71.1 mg/L 96 hrEC50 = 76.1 mg/L, NOEC <10 mg/L 96 hr ErC50 = 98 mg/, EC50 = 91.6 mg/L (chlorophyll impairment)
	Scenedesmus pannanicus		EC50 = 17 mg/L
	Scenedesmus subspicatus (green algae)		48 hr, static, EC50 = 14 mg/L
	Skeletonema costatum (marine algae)		96 hr EC50 = 44.2 mg/L (Chlorophyll impairment)
Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Invertebrates	Daphnia magna		24 hr, closed, IC50 = 0.78 mg/L (measured) 24 hr, EC50 = 1.7 mg/L 48 hr, closed, EC50 = 2.35 mg/L 48 hr, closed, IC50 = 3.77 mg/L 48 hr, static, LC50 = 2.2 mg/L 48 hr, static, EC50 = 2.4 mg/L
	Ceriodaphnia dubia		48 hr, static, EC50 = 0.66 mg/L
	Artemia (Brine Shrimp)		24 hr EC50 = 15 mg/L
	Palaemontetes pugio (Salt water grass shrimp)		96 hr LC50 = 10 mg/L 96 hr LC50 = 9.4 mg/L

	Mercenaria mercenaria (Hard clam)	48 hr, static, EC50 >100 mg/L
	Mysidopsis bahia (Opossum shrimp)	96 hr LC50 = 1.97 mg/L
	Tanytarsus dissimilis (Midge)	48 hr, static, LC50 = 12 mg/L
Chronic Toxicity to Aquatic Invertebrates	Daphnia magna	14 days EC50 = 0.55 mg/L 16 days IC50 = 1.5 mg/L 21 days, semi static, NOEC = 0.63 mg/L
	Mercenaria mercenaria (Hard clam)	12 days, flow-through, EC50 = 0.25-10 mg/L (growth), LC50 >100 mg/L
Acute/Prolonged Toxicity to Fish	Brachydanio rerio (zebra fish)	48 hr LC50 = 6.8 mg/L 96 hr LC50 = 5.2 mg/L
	Oncorhynchus mykiss (Rainbow trout)	48 hr LC50 = 2.3 mg/L 96 hr LC50 = 1.61 mg/L 96 hr LC50 = 1.58 mg/L 144 hr LC50 = 1.54 mg/L
	Cyprinodon variegatus (Sheepshead minnow)	48 hr LC50 = 9.3 mg/L 96 hr LC50 = 9.7 mg/L
	Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill sunfish)	24 hr LC50 = 6.3 mg/L 96 hr LC50 = 5.6 mg/L 96 hr LC50 = 27 mg/L
	Menidia beryllina (Inland silverside)	96 hr LC50 = 7.3 mg/L
	Pimephales promelas (Fathead minnow)	96 hr LC50 = 57 mg/L
	Oryzias latipes (Japanese rice fish)	48 hr LC50=9.3 mg/L
Chronic Toxicity to Fish	Brachydanio rerio (zebra fish)	14 day NOEC = 0.37 mg/L
	Pimephales promelas (fry)	28 days (?) NOEC = 2 mg/L

TOXICOLOGY			
Acute Oral Toxicity	Rat	OECD 401	$LD_{50} = 1516 - 2138 \text{ mg/kg bw}$
Acute Intraperitoneal Toxicity	Rat Mouse		$LD_{50}$ (rat) = 840 mg/kg bw $LD_{50}$ (mouse) = 1228 mg/kg bw
Acute Inhalation Toxicity	Rat	OECD 403	$LC_{100} \le 5885 \text{ mg/m}^3 (10\text{h})$
Skin Irritation	Rabbit		Slight to moderate irritation
Eye Irritation	Rabbit		Slight irritation
Respiratory Irritation	Mouse		RD <sub>50</sub> = 163 and 182 ppm
Repeat Dose Toxicity: Oral	Rat		90 days NOAEL = 25 mg/kg bw 90 days LOAEL = 100 mg/kg bw
	Rat		13 weeks NOAEL = 60 mg/kg bw LOAEL = 125 mg/kg bw
	Mouse		13 weeks NOAEL = 125 mg/kg bw LOAEL = 250 mg/kg bw
	Rat		103 weeks NOAEL = 120 mg/kg bw LOAEL = nd
	Mouse		103 weeks:  NOAEL = 60 mg/kg bw (males)  NOAEL = 120 mg/kg bw (females)  LOAEL = 120 mg/kg bw (males)
Genetic Toxicity (in vitro)			
Bacterial assays:			
- Gene mutation	S. typhimurium Saccharomyces cerevisiae	OECD 471	negative with & without metabolic activation
- DNA damage	S. typhimurium		negative with & without metabolic activation
- Recombination assay	Bacillus subtilis		One study positive and one negative without metabolic activation; negative with metabolic activation

- DNA damage & repair	Escherichia coli	negative with & without metabolic activation
- Differential toxicity	Escherichia coli	positive without metabolic activation; metabolic activation not tested
- Reverse mutation	Escherichia coli	negative with & without metabolic activation
- Mitotic recombination	Saccharomyces cerevisiae	negative with & without metabolic activation
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Non-Bacterial assays: - Chromosomal aberrations	CHO cells	negative with & without metabolic activation
- HGPRT assay	CHO cells	negative with & without metabolic activation
- SCE	CHO cells	positive with & negative without metabolic activation
- DNA damage & repair	Rat liver	negative without metabolic activation; metabolic activation not tested
- Mouse lymphoma assay	Mouse L5178Y cells	positive with & negative without metabolic activation
- Inhibition of DNA synthesis	Lymphocytes (human)	negative with & positive without metabolic activation
Genetic Toxicity (in vivo)		
- Sex-linked recessive mutation - Eye mosaic assay	Drosophila melanogaster	Negative Negative
- Chromosomal aberration	Rat bone marrow (male and female)	Negative
- DNA damage	Rat (female)	Negative
- Micronucleus	Mouse bone marrow (male)	1 study positive and 1 study negative
Toxicity to Reproduction		
Developmental: Inhalation	Rat & Rabbit	NOAEL of 400 ppm for developmental effects in rabbits. Developmental effects in rats at maternally toxic dose of 400 ppm.

2-generation reproduction: Inhalation	Rat	No fertility effects. Reduced pup weight during lactation at 400 ppm. NOAEL of 50 ppm and LOAEL of 150 ppm for adult toxicity.
EXPERIENCE WITH HUMAN EXPOSURE		Eye and respiratory irritation reported at atmospheric levels estimated to be no greater than 100 ppm. At high doses, 1,2-dichlorobenzene produces central nervous system effects in humans.

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## 1 IDENTITY

#### 1.1 Identification of the Substance

CAS Number: 95-50-1

IUPAC Name: 1,2-Dichlorobenzene

Molecular Formula:  $C_6H_4Cl_2$ 

Structural Formula:

CI

Synonyms: 1,2-Dichlorobenzol; Benzene, 1,2-Dichloro-; Chloroben o-

Dichlorobenzene; Benzene, o-Dichloro-; o-DCB ortho-dichlorobenzene

## 1.2 Purity/Impurities/Additives

Composition of technical grade product:

65-85 % 1,2-dichlorobenzene, < 0.05 % chlorobenzene, < 0.5 % trichlorobenzene, remainder 1,4-and 1,3-dichlorobenzene.

Pure grade: > 99.8 % 1,2-dichlorobenzene, < 0.05 % chlorobenzene, < 0.1 % trichlorobenzene, < 0.1 % 1,4-dichlorobenzene.

## 1.3 Physico-Chemical properties

**Table 1:** Summary of physico-chemical properties

Property	Value	Reference:
Melting point	-16.7 °C	Carswell (1928)
Boiling point	180.3 °C	Carswell (1928)
Density (at 25 °C)	1.3007 kg/L	Curry and Gilkerson (1957)
Vapour pressure (at 25 °C)	0.196 kPa	Mackay and Shiu (1981)
Water solubility	155.8 mg/L	Banerjee et al (1980)
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log value)	3.4	Banerjee et al (1980) Miller et al (1985)
Henry's law constant	193 Pa.m³/mol	Mackay and Shiu (1981)
Autoignition temperature	648°C	Sax (1996)
Log K <sub>oc</sub>		
	2.5 (O M 1.9%)	Chiou et al (1983)
	3.76 (Freundlich distribution)	Curtis et al (1986)
Flash point, closed cup	66 °C	Sax (1996)

## 2 GENERAL INFORMATION ON EXPOSURE

1,2-Dichlorobenzene is manufactured in Europe, the USA, Canada, Mexico and China. Production figures were reported to be approximately 16,500 tonnes for Western Europe in 1983 and approximately 23,680 tonnes produced by the USA in 1984 (BUA, 1990). More recent figures indicate that in 1999 a production volume of about 54,000 per year of 1,2-dichlorobenzene was manufactured by only a few producers in the Western world. The manufacture was shared by Western Europe (37%), USA (27%), Brazil (6%), Japan (24%) and other Asia (6 %). Of this, about 67% was used in chemical synthesis, about 11% as a solvent (e.g. about 7 % for TDI processing) and 22 % for other applications not known (Bayer AG Leverkusen, personal communication, September 2001). Additional uses cited in the literature are: in the production of dyes and pesticides following conversion to 1,2-dichloro-4-nitrobenzene; to produce disinfectants and deodorants; and some small use as a heat transfer fluid. Several products containing 1,2-dichlorobenzene are listed in the Danish Product Register for use as lubricants and additives, and as cleaning/washing agents.

In 1998, less than 100 tonnes of 1,2-dichlorobenzene were imported into Australia with similar volumes being imported in previous years. The main use of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in Australia is as a solvent with approximately 86% used in the agricultural sector for wool branding products. The chemical finds a number of industrial uses as an automotive and marine degreaser/decarboniser and in industrial paint strippers and accounts for approximately 12% of use. Another 0.3% is formulated into an industrial deodorant with a further 0.3% used in a single pharmaceutical preparation.

## 2.1 Environmental Exposure and Fate

#### 2.1.1 Sources of Environmental Exposure

The following table summarises environmental monitoring data available in published literature.

Further information on the occurrence of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in the environment, including, air and water monitoring data, is available in the BUA Report (BUA, 1990).

Differences in the median 1,2-dichlorobenzene concentration in air are dependent on the macroenvironment in which it is found. Throughout urban United States this value may vary in excess of 10 fold depending on the degree of industrialisation. For example, levels as high as61  $\eta g/m^3$  have been recorded in highly industrialised areas in New Jersey (Bozzilli *et al*, 1982).

Several water measurements in the North American Great Lakes recorded concentrations from below the detection limit to 0.007  $\mu g/L$  (Oliver and Nicol, 1982). In Europe documented concentrations of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in river waters rarely exceed 0.5  $\mu g/L$ . Typically, measured concentrations in North American rivers are at least two orders of magnitude lower than this (Govt. Canada, 1993).

**Table 2.1.1:** Monitoring data regarding the presence of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in the environment.

REFERENCE	LOCATION	MEDIUM	CONCENTRATION
BUA (1990)	The Rhine	Sediments	<5-227 μg/g
	Niagara River	Suspended particles	75-110 μg/g
	Europe and USA	Rainwater	0.03-110 ηg/L
Oliver (1984)	Lake Ontario (near Niagara river)	Sediment	27 ηg/g
	Lake Ontario (central basin)	Sediment	19 ηg/g
	Lake Ontario (eastern basin)	Sediment	20 ηg/g
	Hamilton Harbour	Sediment	5.7 ηg/g
Pereira et al	Calcasieu River and Bayou d'Inde	Biota	0.08 μg/g
(1988)		Biota	0.26 μg/g
		Biota	0.06 μg/g
Ligocki et al	Portland Oregan	Rain water	0.00013-0.00062 μg/L
(1985)		Atmospheric gas phase	0.0033-0.01 μg/L
Oliver and Nicol	Grand River	Surface water	<0.001-0.03 μg/L
(1982)	Lake Erie	Sediment	1-4 ηg/g
Lake Huron  Lake Ontario		Biota	1 ηg/g
	Lake Huron	Sediment	<5-56 ηg/g
		Biota	1 ηg/g
		Surface water	<0.001 µg/g
	Lake Ontario	Sediment	4-27 ηg/g
		Biota 6 <sup>+</sup> yrs	1 ηg/g
		Biota 4 <sup>+</sup> yrs	1 ηg/g
		Sediment 0-1 cm	14 ηg/g
		Sediment 1-2 cm	16 ηg/g
		Sediment 2-3 cm	19 ηg/g
		Sediment 3-4 cm	16 ηg/g
		Sediment 4-5 cm	26 ηg/g
		Sediment 5-6 cm	13 ηg/g
		Sediment 6-7 cm	2 ηg/g
		Sediment 7-8cm	<5 ηg/g
		Surface water	0.002-0.007 μg/L
	Lake Superior	Sediment	<5-1 ηg/g
		Biota 6 yrs	0.3 ηg/g

Within Australia, no 1,2-dichlorobenzene was detected in the receiving waters (detection limit 0.5 ppb) when effluent was discharged from 16 sewage treatment plants (Sydney Water, 1996).

Readily available information on exposure to the chemical from production and processing is available from the largest producer, for a site in Germany. In 2000, 83.5 kg of 1,2-dichlorobenzene were emitted into the atmosphere from the site. Waste water leaving the production and processing

facilities are treated in an industrial biological waste water treatment plant. While influent concentrations of 1,2-dichlorobenzene are not available, monitoring of the effluent of the waste water treatment plant indicated that all values from January 2000 to May 2001 for the substance were equal to or less than 2  $\mu$ g/l, except one value of 17  $\mu$ g/l. As worst case for the receiving water a PEC of  $\leq$  0.003  $\mu$ g/l is calculated, taking the 10 percentile of the river flow into account (Bayer AG Leverkusen, personal communication, September 2001).

Indirect entry of 1,2-dichlorobenzene into the environment is possible by metabolic breakdown of lindane and higher chlorinated benzenes.

## 2.1.2 Biodegradation

A variety of data on biodegradation of 1,2-dichlorobenzene is summarised by Howard (1989) and in BUA (1990). Overall, it appears that 1,2-dichlorobenzene is not readily biodegradable.

Aerobic biodegradation

There is a great deal of variation in the reported results, with some studies indicating almost zero biodegradation, while others report almost complete degradation. For example, Canton *et al* (1985) observed no degradation in a repetitive die-away test. Alternatively, Hoechst (1985) reported results for a closed bottle test (OECD 301 D) where 1,2-dichlorobenzene, initially present at a concentration of 4 mg/L and inoculated with bacteria from a municipal sewer plant, was progressively degraded by 18, 35, 77 and 93% after 5, 14, 21 and 28 days respectively.

Results in table 2.1.2 are only where aerobic biodegradability was studied using acclimatised microorganism populations.

**Table 2.1.2:** Agueous Aerobic Biodegradation Data

TEST	RESULT	SOURCE/REFERENCE; NOTES
Closed Bottle – OECD 301 D	93 % after 28 days	Hoechst (1985); <i>o</i> -DCB initially present at 4 mg/L
Not Specified	100 %	Worne (1972); adapted <i>Pseudomonas</i> in sewage
Simulated Activate Sludge Plant	> 97 %	Goltz et al (1983)
Simulated Activated Sludge Plant	100 % removal (75% attributed to biodeg.)	Kincannon et al (1983b)
Simulated Activated Sludge Plant	> 99 % removal (75% attributed to biodeg.)	Stover and Kincannon (1982, 1983b); test run over 60 days
Simulated Activated Sludge Plant	94 % removal (35% attributed to biodeg.)	Weber et al (1987)
Biofilm on glass beads	96±2 %	Bouwer (1985); Test duration 2 years

Tests reported with respect to aerobic degradation generally appeared to follow non-standard conditions. Bacteria, including strains of *Pseudomonas*, are capable of aerobic degradation of the compound.

Anaerobic/Anoxic Degradation

In their studies of degradation of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in soil columns, Kuhn *et al* (1985) found no evidence of biodegradation under anaerobic conditions. Similarly, Bouwer (1985) reported no

evidence of anaerobic degradation in a reactor filled with glass beads on which bio-films had been allowed to form.

Kirk *et al* (1989) found that 66% of 1,2-dichlorobenzene (present initially at 710 μg/L) was eliminated after 32 days incubation with digested sludge under anaerobic conditions. However, this elimination was attributed to a chemical conversion or physical removal process other than sorption, rather than biodegradation, since similar elimination rates were observed in a system in which all biological activity had been suppressed through addition of sodium azide. Similarly, Garrison (1969) recorded 20% removal of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in 7 days using digested sludge from a municipal sewage plant, but the sludge was not analysed for adsorbed chemical.

1,2-Dichlorobenzene therefore appears unlikely to be extensively degraded under anaerobic conditions in the environmental water compartment. The persistence over several decades of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in the sediments of the North American Great Lakes supports this conclusion (Oliver and Nicol, 1982).

In a study by Nowak *et al* (1996), using a methanogenic mixed culture enriched from Saale river sediment, all chlorobenzenes present were transformed by reductive dechlorination via monochlorobenzene to unsubstituted benzene. This occurred after a one week lag phase, which could not be explained. It was found that the dechlorination process was dependent on the biological activity. Reductive dechlorination was stimulated when the mixed cultures were supplemented with pyruvate and methanol.

#### 2.1.3 Bioaccumulation

Results of various bioaccumulation experiments are summarised in the table 2.1.3.

**Table 2.1.3:** Bioconcentration of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in Aquatic Organisms

ORGANISM	BCF	BCF	REFERENCE
	(Whole Organism)	(Lipid Content)	
FISH			
Rainbow Trout (Salmo gairdneri)	270±21	3240 <sup>a</sup>	Oliver and Niimi (1983) <sup>b</sup>
	[o-DCB]=0.047 μg/L		
Rainbow Trout (Salmo gairdneri)	560±130	6720 <sup>a</sup>	Oliver and Niimi (1983) <sup>b</sup>
	[o-DCB]=0.940 μg/L		
Spotted Sea Trout (Cynoscion nebulosis)	142°	6166	Pereira et al (1988)
Blue Cat Fish (Ictalurus furcatus)	218 <sup>c</sup>	6607	Pereira et al (1988)
Atlantic Croaker (Micropogonias undulatus)	192°	8710	Pereira et al (1988)
Carp (Cyprinus carpio)	90-260	-	CITI (1992)
OTHER ORGANISMS			
Blue Crab (Callinectus sapidas)	144 <sup>c</sup>	28840	Pereira et al (1988)
Cyanobacteria/Green Algae	6212		Davis et al (1983)
Green Algae (Selenastrum capricornutum)	19700		Casserly et al (1983)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> The lipid BCF calculated by multiplying the whole organism BCF by 12 (Oliver and Niimi, 1983)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> In this study a chlorobenzene mixture was used, thus the BCF values may be influenced by breakdown of higher chlorobenzenes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> The BCF (whole organism) is calculated by multiplying the BCF (lipid content) by the percentage lipid content in the organism given in the reference.

The conclusion from these data is that 1,2-dichlorobenzene has the potential to bioaccumulate, and in the fatty tissue of aquatic species 1,2-dichlorobenzene may be considered highly concentrating (Mensink *et al*, 1995). However, once the exposed organisms are transferred to a clean environment, elimination is expected to be fairly rapid based on research from Barrows *et al* (1980) and Veith *et al* (1980) where a half-life for elimination from the tissues of bluegill sunfish was less than one day.

Oliver (1984) investigated the bioavailability of 1,2-dichlorobenzene incorporated in lake sediments contaminated with a number of chlorobenzenes to benthic worms, including *Limnodrilis hoffmeisteri* and *Tubifex tubifex*. In this study, no uptake of 1,2-dichlorobenzene by these organisms was observed, but when the contaminant loading of the chlorobenzene mixture contaminated sediment was increased by a factor of 10 in a later experiment (Oliver, 1987), transfer to the worms was detected. However, although transfer was observed, once transferred to an uncontaminated environment the 1,2-dichlorobenzene was quickly eliminated and could not be detected in the worms after 5 days.

The impact of sediment organic carbon content was investigated in Knezovich and Harrison (1988). They showed that 1,2-dichlorobenzene sorbed on sediments was bioavailable to the sediment dwelling midge larvae (Chironomus decorus), when exposed under flow through conditions using different levels of organic carbon content. Chironomus decorus (fourth instar larvae) in 20 g lake sediment composed of 51% sand, 47% silt, 2% clay, organic matter of 14.5% and pH 4.4, spiked with 1 µg/l radiolabeled 1,2-dichlorobenzene (200 ml) for 5 days showed, bioconcentration factors (BCF) of  $0.23\pm0.07$ ,  $49\pm10$  and  $29\pm5$  under non-equilibrium conditions and  $0.22\pm0.04$ ,  $31\pm5$  and 29±5 in equilibrium conditions in sediment, overlying water and interstitial water respectively. When the sediment was modified to lower the organic matter (3.6%), the BCFs were 1.08±0.53, 1,071±881 and 31±18 in sediment, overlying water and interstitial water respectively, however, very little of any test substance was detectable in the overlying water. No firm conclusions can be drawn from these values as no concentrations of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in the experiment were found in the paper, and the organisms were exposed to the chemical within the whole system (sediment, overlying water and interstitial water). The authors concluded that 'the accumulation of sedimentsorbed chlorobenzenes by midge larvae was mediated by the uptake of the compounds in interstitial water'. They also discuss the indication that sediment characteristics have an effect on the bioavailability of sediment sorbed chemicals in aquatic ecosystems. Specifically, a sediment's organic carbon content is likely to be the main determinant of chemical bioavailability for neutral organic compounds.

Casserly *et al* (1983) studied the sorption of selected organics, including 1,2-dichlorobenzene, by *Selenastrum capricornutum* (green algae). There were two series of tests done: firstly the organic compounds were added separately, secondly they were added simultaneously. The first series gave a BCF for 1,2-dichlorobenzene of 19700, while in the second series it was 10080. While, this would indicate that it is highly concentrating in algae, unfortunately the fraction adsorbing to the cells was not determined.

#### 2.1.4 Other Information on Environmental Fate

The Trent University, Level 1, Fugacity – based, Environmentall Equilibrium Partitioning Model, 1999, predicts that, at equilibrium, 1,2-dichlorobenzene will predominantly partition to the atmosphere (94.6%) with in the order of 2.8% partitioning to soil and 2.5% to water. Negligible amounts are expected to partition directly to other media such as aerosols and sediments (Trent University, 1999). Default settings were used in the modeling which included air, water and soil compartments of 1 x  $10^{14}$  m<sup>3</sup>, 2 x  $10^{11}$  m<sup>3</sup> and 9 x  $10^{9}$  m<sup>3</sup> respectively with a release of 100,000 kg of chemical. Chemical properties used were those reported in Section 1.

#### Atmospheric fate

1,2-Dichlorobenzene absorbs radiation weakly at wavelengths greater than 300 nm, so direct photolysis in the atmosphere is not likely (Bunce *et al*, 1987). However, reaction with photochemically produced hydroxyl radicals in the atmosphere will occur. Wahner and Zetzsch (1983) calculated a rate constant for the reaction between hydroxyl radicals and 1,2-dichlorobenzene in the atmosphere at room temperature of 4.2 x  $10^{-13}$  cm<sup>3</sup>/molecule/sec. When allowance is made for the mean global hydroxyl radical concentration in the troposphere of 5 x  $10^5$  molecules/cm<sup>3</sup> (Calamari, 1993), the half-life computes to  $38 \pm 2$  days.

The presence of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in rainwater indicates that it persists long enough to be returned to the earth's surface by atmospheric wash out (Ligocki *et al*, 1985).

## Aquatic fate

The Henry's Law Constant at 25°C is 193 Pa.m³/mol., indicating 1,2-dichlorobenzene is readily volatile from aqueous solution. Volatilisation is expected to be the dominant mechanism for removal from surface water and soil (Slimak *et al.*, 1980; Smith *et al.*, 1980; and Thomas, 1982).

1,2-Dichlorobenzene is expected to have a short residence time in water, with the half-life decreasing as the degree of agitation increases. The US EPA (1987) reports volatilisation half-lives ranging from less than 1 hour for a shallow stream, up to 60 days for a deep slow moving river (US EPA, 1987). Adsorption to sediment in water will attenuate volatilisation. Monitoring data conducted in the Great Lakes area of North America indicate that adsorption to sediment and volatilization accounted for the low concentrations found in the water (Oliver and Nicol, 1982). Its detection in Lake Ontario sediment cores by Oliver and Nicol (1982) indicates that the chemical has persisted in these sediments for decades.

Photolytic degradation in water is also possible, again through the agency of hydroxyl radicals. Russi *et al* (1982) have estimated the half-life for photochemical oxidation in water (the river Goldach in Germany) as 12.8 days. It is unlikely that hydrolytic degradation would be a significant mechanism for degradation in the aquatic environment.

1,2-Dichlorobenzene was reported to be persistent and slightly mobile during field studies of groundwater contaminated by sewage effluent and municipal and industrial wastes (Govt. of Canada, 1993), with Zoeteman *et al* (1980) estimating that the half-life in ground water ranged from 30 to 300 days.

#### Terrestrial fate

Using Chiou *et al* (1983), it can be seen that 1,2-dichlorobenzene has medium to slight mobility in soils with an organic matter content of 1.9%, with a Log Koc value of 2.5. In an aquifer soil (organic carbon content is 0.02%), Curtis *et al* (1986) found that the Freundlich distribution coefficient for 1,2-dichlorobenzene to be 1.16, which can be used to determine a Log Koc of 3.76. Mackay *et al* (1986) could not explain all the observed sorption properties in a Borden aquifer soil (OCC 0.02%) by either an OCC/SA two-phase model or a multipe regressioin analysis using K<sub>d</sub>. It was determined that the sorption properties may be related to the amount and distribution of unidentified mineral phases in the soil.

Stauffer and MacIntyre (1986) found that adsorption to soils and oxide minerals was very dependent on the ambient pH, with adsorption strongly suppressed under basic conditions. However, in a recent study of adsorption/desorption to peat soils, Deitsch and Smith (1999) found that after an adsorption time greater than 2 days, subsequent desorption of the compound was incomplete, and some of the chemical appeared to be irreversibly sorbed to the soil, and could consequently persist in this media.

Medium mobility is supported by the laboratory results of Bouwer *et al* (1981) which indicated that water percolating through a column of soil previously contaminated with 1,2-dichlorobenzene removed the chemical. Further evidence for mobility is provided by the field results of Demirjian *et al* (1987) who found that four months after applying sludge contaminated with 1,2-dichlorobenzene to the upper layer of a sandy soil (depth 0-15 cm), the chemical was detected in the lower layers at depths between 15 and 48 cm.

Wang and Jones (1994) investigated the behaviour and fate of a series of chloro substituted benzenes when spiked into soil (both "standard" soil and sewage sludge amended soil) using kinetic techniques over a 259 day test period. They found that, in general, the decrease in the chlorobenzene content of the soil could be described by a two-step first order kinetic model, indicating two elimination mechanisms. In the case of 1,2-dichlorobenzene, around 80% was removed after 35 days with a process half-life of 8.6 days, while only an additional 4.3% was removed in the ensuing 224 days. The corresponding data in sewage sludge amended soil were 80% removal over the first 19 days (half-life = 13.2 days) followed by an additional 14 % removal over 240 days. While the half-life for the second stage of the elimination process is significantly longer than that of the first stage, the second stage elimination is pertinent to only a fraction of the initial load in the soil (around 25%), and the overall half-lives in "standard" soil and sewage amended material were 10.5 and 14.4 days respectively. It was concluded that volatilisation was the major elimination process and that biodegradation and other removal processes were of significantly less importance.

In a separate study of 8 archived samples of sewage sludge amended soil collected between 1942 and 1991, Wang *et al* (1995) compared them to soil from a control plot that had never been treated with either sewage sludge or other organic manures. It was found that the level of chlorobenzene compounds (including 1,2-dichlorobenzene) in the sludge amended samples was elevated over those of the control. The range of 1,2-dichlorobenzene applied in the sewage sludge was not detected to 126  $\mu$ g/kg, however during the 50 years the residue of 1,2-dichlorobenzene was found to be the lowest of the dichlorobenzene compounds at 6-9%. This result supports the relatively rapid elimination of 1,2-dichlorobenzene from soils. Volatilisation was identified by microcosm as the main mechanism of loss.

## 2.2 Human Exposure

#### 2.2.1 Occupational Exposure

Occupational exposure to 1,2-dichlorobenzene can occur during its manufacture, conversion to intermediate products (for pesticides or dyes) and formulation into products or during the use of products containing the chemical. The major route of occupational exposure is by inhalation of the vapour, although dermal exposure may also occur due to the vapour or the liquid.

In the sponsor country, the main sources of occupational exposure are during the formulation and use of products. 1,2-Dichlorobenzene is formulated into a limited number of products for industrial use, including degreasing/decarbonising agents and paint-stripper/paint removal products. The percentage of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in these products can vary from 2.5 to 70 % (w/v). There are no occupational exposure monitoring data for Australia and no data available in the published literature.

Occupational exposures levels were estimated by use of the UK EASE model. For formulation, levels were estimated to be 0.5 to 3 ppm (8 hour TWA) at 20oC, assuming a non-dispersive pattern of use with local exhaust ventilation present. Dermal exposure is unlikely to contribute significantly. Exposure values of 10 to 50 ppm (8 hour TWA) at 25oC were obtained for end-use,

assuming a non-dispersive pattern of use and no aerosol formation. Dermal exposure is likely to be incidental during an 8-hour day.

Information on workplace exposure to the chemical from production and processing is presented by way of example of the largest producer for a site in Germany. During the past five years (1997 - 2001) 21 samples were taken. All measurements were less than 15 mg/m3 (Bayer AG Leverkusen, personal communication, September 2001).

## 2.2.2 Consumer Exposure

Potential exposure to 1,2-dichlorobenzene from drinking water, food and ambient air is expected to be negligible. Public exposure to 1,2-dichlorobenzene in Australia is unlikely, as there are no products available to the public with the exception of one pharmaceutical for topical use that contains 14% (v/v) 1,2-dichlorobenzene.

## 3 HUMAN HEALTH HAZARDS

#### 3.1 Effects on Human Health

## 3.1.1 Toxicokinetics, Metabolism and Distribution

#### Studies in Animals

1,2-Dichlorobenzene is well absorbed via the oral route. In rats, absorption of 1,2-dichlorobenzene from the gastrointestinal tract was considered complete at doses of 5 and 50 mg/kg bw but incomplete (83% absorption) at 250 mg/kg bw (Hissink et al., 1996). There are no quantitative data for the dermal and inhalation absorption of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in animals or absorption of the chemical via any route in humans.

Studies with rats have shown that 1,2-dichlorobenzene is distributed primarily to the adipose tissue with lesser amounts detected in the kidneys, liver and plasma. 1,2-Dichlorobenzene equivalents were bound to the kidneys, liver and plasma with covalent binding accounting for a substantial proportion of bound material. In particular, Charbonneau et al. (1989) observed non-specific covalent binding to the  $\alpha 2\mu$ -globulin fraction of the rat kidney.

Several studies have found that the administration of a single dose of 1,2-dichlorobenzene by either the oral, intraperitoneal or intravenous route results in high initial tissue levels of 1,2-dichlorobenzene equivalents. Peak tissue levels occur within 1 and 6 hours, depending on the method of administration, followed by rapid decline thereafter (Hissink et al., 1996; Stine et al., 1991; Kato and Kimura, 1997).

The metabolism of 1,2-dichlorobenzene has been well studied in rats, mice and humans and found to be similar. The major site for the biotransformation of 1,2-dichlorobenzene is the liver. Metabolism proceeds predominately by cytochrome P450-mediated aromatic hydroxylation to dichlorophenol derivatives. Several studies have shown the major cytochromes involved in the metabolism of 1,2-dichlorobenzene to be CYP2B1/2 and CYP2E1 resulting in the formation, via their intermediate epoxides, of 3,4-dichlorophenol (3,4-DCP) and 2,3-dichlorophenol (2,3-DCP) as the primary metabolites respectively (Den Besten et al., 1992; Valentovic et al., 1993). Secondary oxidation of the dichlorophenols produces the corresponding dichlorohydroquinones and lesser amounts of 3,4- and 4,5-dichlorocatechol. The hydroquinone and catechol species undergo autoxidation yielding the corresponding dichlorobenzoquinones (Den Besten et al., 1992).

Following the administration of 1,2-dichlorobenzene to rabbits and rats, the major urinary metabolites identified were 2,3-DCP, 3,4-DCP and their glucuronide, sulfate and mercapturic acid derivatives (Azouz et al., 1955; Hissink et al., 1996).

#### Studies in Humans

Human exposure to 1,2-dichlorobenzene resulted in the following urinary metabolites being detected: 2,3-DCP, 3,4-DCP, 3,4-dichlorocatechol and 4,5-dichlorocatechol. Each of the metabolites was also present in conjugated form (Kumagi and Matsunaga, 1995).

## 3.1.2 Acute Toxicity

#### Studies in Animals

The acute toxicity of 1,2-dichlorobenzene is low by the oral and inhalation routes.

The oral LD<sub>50</sub> (rat) = 1516 - 2138 mg/kg; inhalation (10h) LC<sub>100</sub> (rat)  $\leq$  5885 mg/m<sup>3</sup>; intraperitoneal LD<sub>50</sub> (rat) = 840 mg/kg bw; intraperitoneal LD<sub>50</sub> (mouse) = 1228 mg/kg bw (Dura *et al.*, 1985; Murakami and Fukami, 1986; Mohtashamipur *et al.*, 1987; RTECS, 1989).

The main acute effects in animals following inhalation exposure ( $\geq$  539 ppm) are drowsiness, unsteady gait, eye irritation, difficulty breathing and anesthesia. Also observed were increases in liver and kidney weights with histopathological lesions of the liver and kidneys (Hollingsworth *et al.*, 1958).

Several well-conducted studies have shown hepatotoxicity, characterized by elevated plasma alanine aminotransferase and aspartate aminotransferase levels, to be the major systemic effect occurring at doses of 172 mg/kg bw (oral) or 147 mg/kg bw (intraperitoneal) or greater (Den Besten et al., 1991; Stine et al., 1991; Allis et al., 1992; Umemura et al., 1996). An increase in hepatic cell proliferation was observed following a single oral dose (300 mg/kg bw) along with hepatocyte swelling and necrosis (Umemura et al., 1996).

#### Studies in Humans

There have been no fatalities reported following acute exposure to 1,2-dichlorobenzene. Twenty-six laboratory workers consisting of 8 males (range 26 to 46 years, mean 36 years) and 18 females (range 20 to 60 years, mean 30.9 years) were accidentally exposed to 1,2-dichlorobenzene vapour, estimated by the study authors to be no greater than 100 ppm (602 mg/m³), for 4 days (8hr/day). Reported clinical symptoms included headache, vertigo, nausea, malaise and most individuals reported eye, nose and throat irritation with one individual developing a partial facial oedema (Zapata-Gayon *et al.*, 1982).

#### 3.1.3 Irritation

#### Studies in Animals

Rabbits exhibited pain and conjunctival irritation, described as slight, after direct application of two drops of undiluted 1,2-dichlorobenzene to the eye with the inflammatory response resolving within one week (Hollingsworth *et al.*, 1958). 1,2-Dichlorobenzene caused slight to moderate erythema and oedema up to 72 h post exposure, on the intact skin of rabbits following application of 0.5 mL of undiluted sample for 4 hours (no further data available) (Younger Laboratories, 1972).

Studies with Swiss  $OF_1$  mice indicate that 1,2-dichlorobenzene induces respiratory irritation, with a 50% reduction in respiratory rate ( $RD_{50}$ ) reported at 163 ppm (Zissu, 1995) and 182 ppm (De Ceaurriz *et al.*, 1981).

#### Studies in Humans

The application of 1,2-dichlorobenzene to human skin for 15 minutes resulted in a burning sensation and the development of erythema and blistering within 24 hours. Subsequent hyperpigmentation of the affected area developed and persisted for a number of months (Riedel, 1941).

Exposure to 1,2-dichlorobenzene vapour at 100 ppm has been reported to cause some respiratory irritation in humans (Elkins, 1959). Eye and upper respiratory tract irritation was reported by laboratory workers following exposures estimated to be no greater than 100 ppm (602 mg/m³) for 8 h (Zapata-Gayon *et al.*, 1982).

#### 3.1.4 Sensitisation

#### Studies in Animals

No animal studies addressing sensitisation were identified.

#### Studies in Humans

One case report of an individual experiencing dermatitis and giving a positive patch test to 1,2-dichlorobenzene has been described (Downing, 1939).

#### 3.1.5 Repeated Dose Toxicity

The results of subchronic and chronic studies (NOAELs, LOAELs and associated effects) are summarised in Table 3.1.5.

#### Studies in Animals

#### Inhalation

Male mice (strain Swiss OF<sub>1</sub>) were exposed to 1,2-dichlorobenzene vapour at 64 and 163 ppm (385 and 980 mg/m<sup>3</sup> respectively) for 4, 9 and 14 days (6 hours/day 5 days/week) and their respiratory tracts examined. Lesions to the olfactory epithelium were observed at 64 ppm after 4 days and were classified as very severe. On increasing the exposure time the severity of the lesions diminished so that on day 9 epithelial damage was classified as severe and on day 14 as moderate. The author concluded that epithelial regeneration may occur in order to replace the damaged epithelium. The respiratory epithelium remained unaffected, as did the trachea and lungs (Zissu, 1995).

In a study of the effects of 1,2-dichlorobenzene (49 ppm; 295 mg/m³), rats and guinea pigs (strains not specified) were exposed for 7 hours/day, 5 days/week for 6.5 months. No adverse effects were observed based on gross appearance, behaviour, growth, mortality, organ-weight studies and gross and histopathological examination of unspecified tissues. Further studies were conducted at (93 ppm; 577 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) for 7 hours/day, 5 days/week for 6 to 7 months with rats, guinea pigs, rabbits and monkeys (strains not specified). Under these conditions, the final average body weight of male rats was significantly lower (p 

0.05) compared to control males. No significant difference was observed in the final body weights of female rats or both sexes of guinea pigs. The average organ weights (lung, heart, liver, kidneys, spleen and testes) of rats and guinea pigs did not differ with treatment with the exception of the spleens of male guinea pigs which were significantly lower (p  $\leq$ 0.01) than control animals. However, histopathological examination revealed no splenic abnormalities. No other adverse effects, as determined by gross appearance, behaviour, growth, mortality, organ-weight studies, haematology or urinalysis, were observed in the species tested. Gross and histopathological examination of unspecified tissues proved negative (Hollingsworth et al., 1958). The value of this study is limited due to inadequate reporting of the experimental conditions and results obtained.

In a 2-generation reproduction study with rats, liver hypertrophy and kidney effects were observed in F0 and F1 adult males. The corresponding NOAEL and LOAEL were 50 and 150 ppm (see also section 3.8).

#### Oral

Charbonneau *et al.* (1989) studied renal protein droplet formation and cell proliferation in a short-term repeat dose study. Treatment of male rats (strain F344) by gavage daily for 7 days with *o*-DCB (0.8 or 2.0 mmol/kg bw; 118 and 294 mg/kg bw) did not lead to an increase in protein droplet

formation. When treated for 6 days in a similar manner there was no evidence of increased cell proliferation (assessed by incorporation of [<sup>3</sup>H]-thymidine) compared to controls.

To examine the oral toxicity of 1,2-dichlorobenzene, male and female rats (strain Sprague-Dawley) were administered 0, 37.5, 75, 150 or 300 mg/kg bw per day for 10 days. At 300 mg/kg bw/day a decrease in male total body weight gain and absolute organ weight (heart, kidneys, spleen, testes and thymus) were observed. A significant increase ( $p \le 0.05$ ) in absolute and relative liver weights and the development of hepatocellular necrosis was evident. Plasma ALT levels were significantly elevated after treatment with 300 mg/kg bw for both sexes while for females, cholesterol levels were elevated at all doses compared with controls. Leukocytosis was present in males at 150 and 300 mg/kg bw while the absolute and relative weights of female livers increased at these doses. Spleen weights decreased only at 300 mg/kg bw. Histopathological findings were the presence of hepatocellular lesions (40% of males treated with 300 mg/kg bw) which were judged by the authors to be slight in severity (Robinson *et al.*, 1991).

In a 14-day study of rats (strain F344), 1,2-dichlorobenzene was administered orally at 0, 60, 125, 250, 500 or 1000 mg/kg bw. The highest dose resulted in 100% mortality by day 5 while 500 mg/kg bw resulted in reduced body weight gain (-12%) (NTP, 1985).

In a 14-day study of mice (strain B6C3F<sub>1</sub>), 1,2-dichlorobenzene was administered orally at 0, 250, 500, 1,000, 2,000 or 4,000 mg/kg bw. Only one mouse (250 mg/kg bw) survived the treatment and one control animal died. Hepatic necrosis was observed in 3/3 males dosed at 500 mg/kg bw and 1/3 females at 250 mg/kg bw when examined for histological lesions. Hepatocellular degeneration was observed in 1/3 males at 250 mg/kg bw (NTP, 1985).

In a second 14-day study of mice (strain  $B6C3F_1$ ), 1,2-dichlorobenzene was administered orally at 0, 30, 60, 125, 250 or 500 mg/kg bw. Two mice died during the course of the study, one male in the 500 mg/kg bw group and one female in the 125 mg/kg group. There were no changes in body weight. Hepatocellular necrosis (described as mild) was observed in 2/4 males at 500 mg/kg bw while moderate focal hepatic necrosis was observed in 1/4 females at 500 mg/kg bw, mild multifocal hepatitis in 1/4, mild cytomegaly and karyomegaly in 2/4 and hepatocellular degeneration in 1/4 (NTP, 1985).

The toxicity of 1,2-dichlorobenzene was examined during a 13-week study of male and female rats (F344) and mice (strain B6C3F<sub>1</sub>) administered 1,2-dichlorobenzene (0, 30, 60, 125, 250 or 500 mg/kg bw) 5 days/week by gavage. A decreased survival time for both sexes of mice and female rats at 500 mg/kg bw was observed with pathological findings of hepatic centrilobular necrosis and hepatocellular degeneration, depletion of lymphocytes in the thymus and spleen of both species. High-dose male rats showed renal tubular degeneration while mice exhibited multifocal mineralisation of myocardial fibres and skeletal muscle. A dose of 250 mg/kg bw induced necrosis of individual hepatocytes in both sexes of rats and male mice. Mice were unaffected by 125 mg/kg bw while rats displayed minimal hepatocellular necrosis. The spleen weight/body weight ratio at all doses decreased relative to controls in female mice. Haematological changes were observed at 500 mg/kg bw in rats, which included a slight decrease in haematocrit and haemoglobin, and in the erythrocyte count for male rats (NTP, 1985).

In a two-year study, rats (strain F344) were administered 1,2-dichlorobenzene (0, 60 or 120 mg/kg bw) for 5 days/week. At the highest dose, males exhibited a significant decrease (p < 0.001) in survival, however, three of these deaths were accidental and several others were attributed to handling/gavage errors. High-dose males also exhibited a slightly reduced body weight gain while females experienced an increase in weight gain at the same dose level. Histological examination revealed no non-neoplastic lesions. Treatment of mice (B6C3F<sub>1</sub>) under the same conditions

produced no change in body weight compared to control animals and survival rates were similar. A dose-dependent increase in renal tubular regeneration was observed in males (NTP, 1985).

The oral toxicity of 1,2-dichlorobenzene for male and female rats (strain Sprague-Dawley) was assessed by administering 0, 25, 100 or 400 mg/kg bw per day for 90 days by gavage. At 400 mg/kg bw per day a significant decrease ( $p \le 0.05$ ) in total body weight gain was observed for males but not females. Significant increases ( $p \le 0.05$ ) in absolute and relative liver weights occurred for both sexes at 100 and 400 mg/kg bw and absolute and relative kidney weights were increased at 400 mg/kg bw for both sexes and absolute kidney weights increased for females at 100 mg/kg bw. Plasma ALT levels were elevated at 100 and 400 mg/kg bw in the male but the female levels did not reach significance. In both sexes, an increase in bilirubin occurred at the highest dose. There was no evidence of leukocytosis or other haematological changes for either sex. Histopathological findings included centrilobular degeneration, centrilobular hypertrophy and evidence of apoptosis at 400 mg/kg bw for both genders (Robinson *et al.*, 1991).

Hollingsworth *et al.* (1958) investigated the effect of 1,2-dichlorobenzene (0, 18.8, 188 and 376 mg/kg bw) on female rats (strain not specified) administered by gavage five days/week over 192 days (a total of 138 doses). No treatment-related effects were observed with respect to growth or mortality. At 188 and 376 mg/kg bw significant increases in average liver and kidney weights were observed. No changes in haematological parameters were found. Exposure to 18.8 mg/kg bw produced no adverse effects. The value of this study is limited due to inadequate reporting of the experimental conditions and results obtained.

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Table 3.1.5 – Summary of NOAEL and LOAEL values for 1,2-dichlorobenzene in SubChronic and Chronic Studies (non-carcinogenic)

Species (strain)	Study type and duration	Sex	NOAEL (mg/kg bw per day)	LOAEL and associated pathologies	Reference	
Rat (SD)	Oral	Male	2.5	100 mg/kg bw; increased absolute and relative liver weight <sup>a</sup> .	Robinson et al., 1991	
	90 days	Female	25	Increased absolute kidney weights for females <sup>a</sup> . Increased plasma ALT levels in males <sup>a</sup> .		
Pat (E3//1)	Oral	Male	60	125 mg/kg bw; hepatocellular necrosis.		
Rat (F344)	13 week	Female	00	123 mg/kg bw, nepatocential necrosis.	NTP, 1985	
Min. (D(C2E)	Oral 13 week	Male	125	250 mg/kg bw; hepatocellular necrosis.		
Mice (B6C3F <sub>1</sub> )		Female	NI	30 mg/kg bw; decreased spleen weight to body weight ratio <sup>a</sup> .		
Rat (strain not specified)	Oral 192 days	Female	18.8	188 mg/kg bw; increase in average liver <sup>c</sup> and kidney weights <sup>d</sup> .	Hollingsworth et al., 1958	
Rat (F344)	Oral	Male	120	No transfer and real methodoxics shoomed		
	2 years	Female	120	No treatment-related pathologies observed.	NTP, 1985	
Mice (B6C3F <sub>1</sub> )	Oral 2 years	Male	60	120 mg/kg bw; increased renal tubular regeneration.	N1F, 1983	
		Female	120	No treatment-related pathologies observed.		
Rat (strain not specified)	Inhalation 26 weeks	Male	49 ppm	93 ppm; decreased male body weight <sup>a</sup> .	Hollingsworth	
		Female	93 ppm	No treatment-related pathologies observed.	et al., 1958	
Guinea pig	Inhalation 26 weeks	Male	49 ppm	93 ppm; decreased male spleen weight <sup>b</sup> .	Hollingsworth	
		Female	93 ppm	No treatment-related pathologies observed.	et al., 1958	
Rat (Crj: CD(SD))	Inhalation	Male		150 ppm; F0 and F1 adults showed liver hypertrophy and kidney	Bio/dynamics Inc., 1989	
	2-generation reproduction	Female	50 ppm	effects in males.		

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}$ ,  $p \le 0.05$ ;  $^{b}$ ,  $p \le 0.01$ ;  $^{c}$ , p = 0.003;  $^{d}$ , p = 0.002; NI = not identified (i.e. effects seen at the lowest dose).

#### 3.1.6 Mutagenicity

1,2-Dichlorobenzene has been investigated in a number of *in vitro* and *in vivo* assays for a number of genetic endpoints. Details of studies are summarised in the Annex Table A1.

Genotoxicity testing with several microbial species produced negative results with the exception of one recombination assay with *Bacillus subtilis* (Matsui *et al.*, 1989) and a differential toxicity assay with *Escherichia coli* (Waters *et al.*, 1982). *In vitro* testing with mammalian cells produced negative results with the chromosomal aberration assay and the HGPRT assay using Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cells. However, two sister chromatid exchange assays performed with CHO cells (Tennant *et al.*, 1987; Loveday *et al.*, 1990) and two mouse lymphoma assays (Tennant *et al.*, 1987; Myhr and Caspary, 1991) were positive in the presence of, and negative in the absence of, metabolic activation. A DNA synthesis inhibition assay performed with human lymphocytes was positive without metabolic activation and negative with metabolic activation (Perocco *et al.*, 1983).

In vivo testing of 1,2-dichlorobenzene yielded negative results with the *Drosophila* sex-linked recessive mutation (Bioassay Systems, 1983 (cited in BUA, 1990 and NTP, 1989)) and eye mosaic assays (Vogel and Nivard, 1993). Chromosomal aberration assays with rat bone marrow (Reustle and Scriber, 1979 and Bioassay Systems, 1983 (cited in BUA, 1990)) and DNA damage studies in rats were negative (Kitchin *et al*, 1992). A positive micronucleus assay in mouse bone marrow (Mohtashamipur *et al*, 1987) was not confirmed in a more recent, well-conducted study (Shelby *et al*, 1993).

The role of 1,2-dichlorobenzene as an inducer of DNA synthesis was assessed using an *in vivo-in vitro* replicative DNA synthesis assay with hepatocytes derived from male B6C3F<sub>1</sub> mice. The animals were administered 1,2-dichlorobenzene (1000 or 2000 mg/kg bw) by the oral route and hepatocytes prepared 24, 39 or 48 hours later. Replicative DNA synthesis was assessed after the addition of [methyl-<sup>3</sup>H]-thymidine followed by autoradiography. Results were negative for both doses at all time points (Miyagawa *et al*, 1995).

Following accidental exposure to 1,2-dichlorobenzene vapour, estimated by the study authors to be no greater than 100 ppm (602 mg/m³), the mean value of chromosomal aberrations in peripheral blood leukocytes from exposed individuals was 8.92% compared to 2.02% for a control group (Zapata-Gayon *et al*, 1982). Due to the relatively low number of cells examined, little confidence can be attributed to findings of this study.

#### 3.1.7 Carcinogenicity

#### Studies in Animals

In a two-year study of both sexes of rats (F344/N) and mice (B6C3F<sub>1</sub>), 1,2-dichlorobenzene (0, 60 or 120 mg/kg bw) was administered by gavage (5 days/week). A dose-related increased incidence of renal tubular regeneration was observed in male rats (control, 8/48; low dose, 12/50; high dose 17/49 animals). Although the incidence of pheochromocytoma in male rats was increased in the low-dose group (16/50 animals), the high-dose incidence (6/49 animals) was lower than the control group (9/50 animals) with no significant dose-response trend being evident. The incidence of malignant histiocytic lymphoma in male (control, 0/50; low-dose, 1/50; high-dose 4/50 animals) and female (control, 0/49; low-dose, 0/50; high-dose, 3/49 animals) mice was significantly increased (p < 0.05). However, the findings were considered not biologically significant, as the number of animals with all types of lymphomas (combined), which is considered to be a better indicator, had not increased. Under the conditions of the study, 1,2-dichlorobenzene was not considered to be carcinogenic in rats or mice (NTP, 1985).

Tumour initiation or promotion by 1,2-dichlorobenzene was investigated using the  $\gamma$ -glutamyltranspeptidase-positive foci assay as an indicator of carcinogenicity. Male and female rats (Sprague-Dawley) were treated with diethylnitrosamine (0.5 mmol/kg), a tumour initiator, one day after a two-thirds hepatectomy followed, by intraperitoneal injections 1 and 5 weeks later of 1,2-dichlorobenzene (1 mmol/kg bw; 147 mg/kg bw). The number of positive foci from treated rats was not significantly different from control animals (Herren-Freund and Pereira, 1986).

#### Studies in Humans

There are no well-conducted epidemiological studies for 1,2-dichlorobenzene. Five cases of haematological disorders including two cases of acute myeloblastic leukaemia, two cases of chronic lymphoid leukaemia and a myeloproliferative syndrome, have been attributed to 1,2-dichlorobenzene (Girard *et al*, 1969). However, the cases were poorly characterized with respect to the chemicals involved, the level and duration of exposure and other confounding influences.

#### 3.1.8 Toxicity for Reproduction

### Studies in Animals

Effects on Fertility

In an inhalation, 2-generation reproduction study in rats, animals were exposed to 0, 50, 150 or 400 ppm 1,2-dichlorobenzene for 6 hours/day, 7 days per week. At the highest dose, F0 and F1 adults had significantly lower terminal body weights and increased absolute and relative liver weights and liver hypertrophy. Males in the high dose group also had increased relative kidney weights and kidney effects were observed. Liver hypertrophy was also observed in some mid-dose F0 and F1 adults and kidney effects were observed to a lesser extent in mid-dose F0 and F1 adult males. No fertility effects, as indicated by mating indices, pregnancy rates or fertility indices, were noted. For F0 and F1 pups, gestation length, parturition, litter and pup survival were unaffected. A significantly lower pup weight during lactation at the highest dose was observed in both the F0 and F1 litters. No treatment related effects were observed in adults or pups at the lowest dose (Bio/dynamics Inc., 1989). The NOAEL and LOAEL for adults were 50 ppm and 150 ppm respectively and for reproductive toxicity and offspring growth and development were 150 ppm and 400 ppm respectively.

1,2-Dichlorobenzene has been reported to induce morphological changes in rat sperm. Doses ranging from 50 to 800 mg/kg body weight (i.p.) resulted in dose-dependent acrosomal, head and tail abnormalities (Murthy and Holovack 1985, abstract only).

#### Developmental Toxicity

The developmental effects of 1,2-dichlorobenzene for rabbits and rats have been investigated. Inseminated rabbits were exposed to 1,2-dichlorobenzene (0, 100, 200 or 400 ppm) for 6 hr/day on days 6 to 18 of gestation. Maternal toxicity was observed, described as slight, and based on a decrease in body weight gain during the first three days of exposure at all dose levels. At doses up to 400 ppm (2404 mg/m³) 1,2-dichlorobenzene did not prove to be embryotoxic, fetotoxic or teratogenic in the rabbit based on observations of the number of pregnancies, litter size, resorption rate, foetal body measurements or foetal malformations. Rats treated with 1,2-dichlorobenzene (0, 100, 200 or 400 ppm) for 6 hr/d on days 6 to 15 of gestation showed maternal toxicity at all dose levels as judged by a significant decrease in body weight gain from gestation days 6 through to 20. A significant increase in maternal liver weights occurred with rats exposed to 400 ppm. The only developmental treatment-related effect was a significant increase in the occurrence of delayed ossification of cervical vertebral centra in the highest dose group (Hayes, 1985). For the rabbit, a

NOAEL of 400 ppm was determined for developmental effects and for the rat developmental effects were only seen at maternally toxic doses (400 ppm).

In a briefly reported study, no teratogenic effects were observed following the oral administration of 1,2-dichlorobenzene (50, 100 or 200 mg/kg bw) to rats. Foetuses were examined for litter size, body weight, deciduoma, and skeletal and visceral variations (Ruddick *et al*, 1983, abstract only).

#### Studies in Humans

There are no data on the reproductive or developmental effects of 1,2-dichlorobenzene in humans.

#### 3.2 Initial Assessment for Human Health

1,2-Dichlorobenzene is absorbed via the oral route. Absorption via the dermal or inhalation routes is poorly characterized. Inhalation is expected to be the major route for human exposure. The available toxicological data indicate that metabolic profiles and effects from 1,2-dichlorobenzene exposure are similar in rats, mice and humans.

The critical effects from acute exposure to 1,2-dichlorobenzene in animals and humans are eye and respiratory irritation, reported at atmospheric levels at 100 ppm (602 mg/m³) in humans. 1,2-Dichlorobenzene has also been shown to cause skin irritation in one human study and in a study with rabbits. At high doses, 1,2-dichlorobenzene produces central nervous system effects in humans and test animals.

Animal studies with rats and mice have shown 1,2-dichlorobenzene to induce acute hepatotoxic effects. The  $LD_{50}$  for a single oral exposure to 1,2-dichlorobenzene for the rat ranges from 1516 to 2138 mg/kg bw. The  $LC_{100}$  for the rat is  $\leq$  977 ppm (5.9 mg/L) for a 10 hour exposure. During a 4 hour exposure, 1 of 20 rats died at 941 ppm (5.6 mg/L). In humans, the acute effects of 1,2-dichlorobenzene by ingestion or inhalation are reported to be headache, nausea, vomiting, vertigo, malaise and unconsciousness.

Several oral studies of rats and mice ranging from 10 days to 2 years duration indicate that the adverse effects include increases in liver and kidney weights and hepatotoxicity. In these repeat dose studies, the NOAEL for non-neoplastic effects was 60 mg/kg bw while the LOAEL was 120 mg/kg bw, due to increased renal tubular regeneration in male mice.

In an inhalation, 2-generation reproduction study in rats, no fertility effects were observed and the only effect on the pups was a significantly lower body weight during lactation at doses causing adult toxicity (kidney and liver effects). The NOAEL and LOAEL for adult toxicity were 50 ppm and 150 ppm respectively.

In several microbial organisms and mammalian systems, 1,2-dichlorobenzene tested negative in vitro. However, it did induce sister chromatid exchanges in Chinese Hamster ovary cells and increased mutation frequency in mouse lymphoma cells, both in the presence of metabolic activation. 1,2-dichlorobenzene was negative in several in vivo mammalian tests, except one of two micronuclei assays in mouse bone marrow was positive.

In a two-year oral study in rats and mice, 1,2-dichlorobenzene was considered not to be carcinogenic. No human epidemiological studies have been conducted.

## 4 HAZARDS TO THE ENVIRONMENT

## 4.1 Aquatic Effects

1,2-Dichlorobenzene has been tested in a wide variety of aquatic species (micro-organisms, plants, invertebrates and fish). Results are summarised in Table 4.1.

These results indicate that under acute exposure conditions, 1,2-dichlorobenzene is toxic to fish (LC<sub>50</sub> range 1-10 mg/L), very toxic to aquatic invertebrates (LC<sub>50</sub> range <1-10 mg/L) and toxic to moderately toxic to algae (1-100 mg/L).

**Table 4.1:** Summary of Effects of 1,2-Dichlorobenzene on Aquatic Organisms

ORGANISM	TEST DURATION	RESULT (mg/L)	Conc. #	REFERENCE
Micro-organisms				
Bacillus (TL 81) – from activated sludge	30 min exposure	$EC50 = 169 \pm 13$	X	Liu and Thomson (1984)
Activated sludge bacteria	3 hours (OECD TG 210)	EC50 = 100	X	Yoshioka <i>et al</i> (1986b)
Photobacterium phosphoreum	5 min exposure (Microtox test)	$EC50 = 10.25 \pm 0.35$	X	McFeters et al (1983)
Photobacterium phosphoreum	30 min exposure (Microtox test)	EC50 = 4.0		Kaiser and Ribo (1985)
	5 min exposure (Microtox test)	EC50 = 2.7		Ribo and Kaiser (1983)
Tetrahymena pyriformis (Ciliate)	24 hours, static	LC50=51	X	Yoshioka et al (1985)
Algae				
Selenastrum capricornutum	96 hours	ErC50 = 2.2 NOEC = 0.88	N	Calamari et al (1983)
	96 hours	EC50=71.1		US EPA (1978)
	96 hours	EC50=76.1 NOEC <10		US EPA (1978)
	96 hours	ErC50=98 EC50=91.6 (chlorophyll impairment)		US EPA (1978)
Scenedesmus pannonicus		EC50=17	M	Canton <i>et al</i> (1985)
Scenedesmus subspicatus (green algae)	48 hours, static	EC50=14	N	Kuhn and Pattard (1990)
Skeletonema costatum (marine algae)	96 hours	EC50=44.2 (Chlorophyll impairment		US EPA (1978)

**Table 4.1:** Summary of Effects of 1,2-Dichlorobenzene on Aquatic Organisms (cont.)

ORGANISM	TEST DURATION	RESULT (mg/L)	Conc.#	REFERENCE
Invertebrates				
Daphnia magna	24 hours, closed	IC50=0.78	M	Calamari et al (1983)
	24 hours	EC50=1.7	N	Kuhn et al (1989)
	48 hours, closed	EC50=2.35	N	Abernathy et al (1986)
	48 hours, closed	IC50=3.77	N	Hermens et al (1984)
	48 hours, static	LC50=2.2 EC50=0.74	M M	Canton <i>et al</i> (1985)
	48 hours, static	EC50=2.4	N	LeBlanc (1980)
Ceriodaphnia dubia	48 hours, static	EC50=0.66	N	Rose et al (1998)
Artemia (Brine Shrimp)	24 hours	EC50=15	N	Abernathy et al (1986)
Palaemontetes pugio (Salt water grass shrimp)	96 hours	LC50=10	N	Curtis and Ward (1981)
	96 hours	LC50=9.4	N	Curtis et al (1979)
Mercenaria mercenaria (Hard clam) eggs and larval stage	48 hours, static	EC50 >100	X	Davis and Hidu (1969)
Mysidopsis bahia (Opossum shrimp)	96 hours	LC50=1.97		US EPA (1978)
Tanytarsus dissimilis (Midge)	48 hours, static	LC50=12	M	Call et al (1983)
Chronic Toxicity				
Daphnia magna	14 days	EC50 = 0.55	N	Calamari et al (1983)
	16 days	IC50=1.5	N	Hermens et al (1984)
	21 days, semi static	NOEC = 0.63	N	Kuhn et al (1989)
Mercenaria mercenaria (Hard clam)	12 days, flow-through	EC50=0.25-10 (growth) LC50 >100	X	Davis and Hidu (1969)

**Table 4.1:** Summary of Effects of 1,2-Dichlorobenzene on Aquatic Organisms (cont.)

ORGANISM	TEST DURATION	RESULT (mg/L)	Conc.#	REFERENCE
Fish				
Brachydanio rerio (zebra fish)	48 hours	LC50=6.8	N	Calamari et al (1983)
	96 hour	LC50=5.2		Roederer (1990)
Oncorhynchus mykiss (Rainbow trout)	48 hours	LC50=2.3	N	Calamari et al (1983)
	96 hours	LC50=1.61	M	Ahmad et al (1984)
	96 hours	LC50=1.58	M	Call et al (1983)
	144 hours	LC50=1.54	M	Call et al (1983)
Cyprinodon variegatus (Sheepshead minnow)	48 hour	LC50=9.3	N	Heitmuller et al (1981)
	96 hours	LC50=9.7	N	Heitmuller et al (1981)
Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill sunfish)	24 hour	LC50=6.3	N	Buccafusco et al (1981)
	96 hours	LC50=5.6	N	Buccafusco et al (1981)
	96 hours	LC50=27	X	Dawson et al (1977)
Menidia beryllina (Inland silverside)	96 hours	LC50=7.3	X	Dawson <i>et al</i> (1977)
Pimephales promelas (Fathead minnow)	96 hours	LC50=57	N	Curtis and Ward (1981)
	96 hours	LC50=57	N	Curtis <i>et al</i> (1979)
Oryzias latipes (Japanese rice fish)	48 hours	LC50=9.3	X	Yoshioka et al (1986a)
Chronic				
Brachydanio rerio	14 day	NOEC= 0.37		Roederer (1990)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>#</sup> - this column indicates if the result is based on a nominal (N) or measured (M) concentration, or if this cannot be determined from the literature (X).

#### **4.2** Terrestrial Effects

Walton *et al* (1989) studied the effects of 1,2-dichlorobenzene at 1000  $\mu$ g/g on the respiration of soil bacteria. The study was undertaken in the dark at 20°C for 6 days. Although the rate of CO<sub>2</sub> evolution was depressed for the first few days of the experiment, the rate was not significantly different from the untreated controls at the end of the 6 day period.

Meharg *et al* (1998) found that 1,2-dichlorobenzene had no deleterious effects on soil microorganisms up to levels of 50  $\mu$ g/g, and also found that the metabolic activity of the biomass shifted to enhance degradation of 1,2-dichlorobenzene.

Thompson *et al* (1999) found that although 1,2-dichlorobenzene levels of 65  $\mu$ g/g and above caused significant decrease in hyphal fungal length, soil bacteria were significantly more tolerant, with observable population decreases only at 1,2-dichlorobenzene levels of 3.25 mg/g (dry weight). Further, there was evidence that 1,2-dichlorobenzene at levels up to 325  $\mu$ g/g stimulated counts of *Pseudomonas*.

Yukimoto (1983) investigated the phytotoxicity of a series of chlorinated benzenes to photosynthesis in spinach leaves. It has not been possible to locate the original paper, so the

method of exposure of the leaves to the chemical is unclear. This worker found that these compounds had some inhibitory effect on photosynthesis, and for 1,2-dichlorobenzene obtained the following results: IC7 = 10.3 mg/L, IC46 = 59 mg/L and IC85 = 103 mg/L.

#### 4.3 Initial Assessment for the Environment

The majority (>90%) of 1,2-dichlorobenzene is expected to partition to the atmospheric compartment where reaction with photochemically produced hydroxyl radicals provides the most significant removal mechanism. Where release is to water or soil, the chemical is expected to volatilise to the surrounding atmosphere.

No experimental data on environmental organisms exposed through the gas phase are available. However, abiotic effects can be assessed. While direct photolysis is not considered likely, the atmospheric half-life is relatively short due to reaction with photochemically produced hydroxyl radicals ( $t_{1/2}$  38  $\pm$  2 days). The chemical contains chlorine substituents which suggest a potential effect on stratospheric ozone. However, with half-lives for migration to the stratosphere of 3 to 10 years (Bunce, 1994), this chemical would not be expected to persist long enough in the troposphere to be of concern.

Nonetheless, Webster *et al* (1998) state that transport times to the Arctic can be measured in weeks. Therefore, it could be expected that 1,2-dichlorobenzene could undergo significant transport in the atmosphere and may migrate to the poles. No measurements appear to be available from these regions.

1,2-Dichlorobenzene has been tested on a wide range of aquatic organisms under acute exposure, although chronic data are scarce. Results for fish ranged from 96 h LC50=1.58 mg/L for rainbow trout to 57 mg/L for fathead minnow. Both acute and chronic toxicity to aquatic invertebrates were obtained with two results showing high toxicity, namely EC50's of 0.78 mg/L and 0.66 mg/L to *Daphnia* and *Ceridophnia* respectively. Results from exposure to algae showed EC50 values in the 1-100 mg/L range for 1,2-dichlorobenzene. Toxicity to micro-organisms can be considered slight.

While there are a large number of acute data covering all trophic levels, chronic data are scarce. Therefore, an assessment factor of 100 has been chosen. The result used for determining the PNEC was the lowest chronic value obtained, i.e. 21 d NOEC = 0.63 mg/L for *Daphnia magna*. The PNEC<sub>aquatic</sub> was therefore determined to be 6.3 µg/L.

No PNEC<sub>soil</sub> was determined, as the data are considered insufficient for realistic estimations of this parameter for terrestrial life.

## 5 RECOMMENDATIONS

1,2-Dichlorobenzene is toxic and bioconcentrates. Additionally, it may be considered persistent due to its lack of biodegradation where microbial communities are not acclimatised. Member countries may wish to undertake a more in-depth exposure analysis and if then indicated, a risk assessment may be considered.

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# **ANNEX**

 Table A1:
 Summary of genotoxicity studies

Type of test	Test system	Result	Reference		
GENE MUTATION ASSAYS					
In vitro					
Ames test	S. typh. (8 strains not specified)	Negative	Andersen et al, 1972		
(reverse mutation)		(- MA Only)			
Ames test (reverse mutation)	S. typh. (strains TA98; TA100; TA1535; TA1537; TA1538)	Negative (+ & - MA)	Litton Bionetics, 1976		
Ames test (reverse mutation)	S. typh. (strains TA98; TA100; TA1535; TA1537; TA1538)	Negative (+ & - MA)	Lawlor <i>et al</i> , 1979		
Ames test (reverse mutation)	S. typh. (strain TA100)	Negative (+ & - MA)	Rohm & Hass Co, 1979		
Ames test (reverse mutation)	S. typh. (strains TA98; TA100; TA1535; TA1537; TA1538)	Negative (+ & - MA)	Waters et al, 1982		
Ames test (reverse mutation)	S. typh. (strains TA98; TA100; TA1535; TA1537)	Negative (+ & - MA)	Haworth et al, 1983		
Ames test (reverse mutation)	S. typh. (strains TA98; TA100; TA1535; TA1537; TA1538)	Negative (+ & - MA)	Shimizu et al, 1983		
Ames test (reverse mutation)	S. typh. (strains TA98; TA100; UTH8414; UTH8413)	Negative (+ & - MA)	Connor et al, 1985		
Ames test (reverse mutation)	S. typh. (strains TA97; TA98; TA100; TA102; TA1535; TA1537; TA1538)	Negative (+ & - MA)	Koch et al, 1985		
Ames test (reverse mutation)	S. typh. (strains TA98; TA100; TA2637)	Negative (+ & - MA)	Nohmi et al, 1985		
Ames test (reverse mutation)	S. typh. (strains TA98; TA100; TA1535; TA1537)	Negative (+ & - MA)	NTP, 1985 (Tennant <i>et al</i> , 1986)		
DNA damage	S. typh. (strain TA1535/pSK1002)	Negative (+ & - MA)	Nakamura et al, 1987		
DNA damage	S. typh. (strain TA1535/pSk1002)	Negative (+ & - MA)	Ono et al, 1992		
Reverse mutation	Escherichia coli	Negative (+ & - MA)	Waters et al, 1982		
Reverse mutation	Aspergillus nidulans	Negative (- MA only)	Prasad and Pramer, 1968 & Prasad, 1970		
Gene mutation	Saccharomyces cerevisiae	Negative (+ & - MA)	Litton Bionetics, 1976		
Mouse lymphoma assay	Mouse L5178Y cells	Negative (- MA) Positive (+ MA)	Tennant et al, 1987		
Mouse lymphoma assay	Mouse L5178Y cells	Negative (- MA) Positive (+ MA)	Myhr & Caspary, 1991		

In vivo			
Sex-linked recessive mutation	Drosophila melanogaster	Negative	Bioassay Systems, 1983
Eye mosaic assay	Drosophila melanogaster	Negative	Vogel and Nivard, 1993
ASSAYS FOR DNA EI	FFECTS		
Recombination assay	Bacillus subtilis	Positive (- MA) Negative (+ MA)	Matsui <i>et al</i> , 1989
Recombination assay	Bacillus subtilis	Negative (- MA only)	Waters et al, 1982
DNA damage & repair	Escherichia coli	Negative (+ & - MA)	DeMarini and Brooks, 1992
Differential toxicity	Escherichia coli	Positive (- MA only)	Waters et al, 1982
Mitotic recombination	Saccharomyces cerevisiae	Negative (+ & - MA)	Waters et al, 1982
DNA damage & repair	Primary hepatocytes (rat)	Negative (- MA only)	Shimada et al, 1983
DNA damage & repair	Primary hepatocytes (rat)	Negative (- MA only)	Williams et al, 1989
DNA synthesis - inhibition	Lymphocytes (human)	Positive (- MA) Negative (+ MA)	Perocco et al, 1983
ASSAYS FOR CHRON	MOSOMAL ABERRATIONS		
In vitro			
SCE	СНО	Negative (- MA) Positive (+ MA)	Loveday <i>et al</i> , 1990
SCE	СНО	Negative (- MA) Positive (+ MA)	Tennant et al, 1987
Chromosomal aberration	СНО	Negative (+ & - MA)	Loveday et al, 1990
Chromosomal aberration	СНО	Negative (+ & - MA)	Tennant et al, 1987
Chromosomal aberration	СНО	Negative (+ & - MA)	Bioassay Systems, 1983
Chromosomal aberration	СНО	Negative (+ & - MA)	Waters et al, 1982
In vivo			
Chromosomal	Rat bone marrow (male)	Negative	Reustle and Scriber,

aberration			1979
Chromosomal aberration	Rat bone marrow (male and female)	Negative	Bioassay Systems, 1983
ASSAYS FOR CHI	ROMOSOMAL ABERRATIONS (cont.)		
Micronucleus (bone marrow)	Mouse (male)	Positive	Mohtashamipur <i>et al</i> , 1987
Micronucleus (bone marrow)	Mouse (male)	Negative	Shelby <i>et al</i> , 1993
OTHER			
HGPRT assay	СНО	Negative (+ & - MA)	Bioassay Systems, 1984

<sup>+</sup>MA = with metabolic activation

CHO = Chinese hamster ovary

E. coli = Escherichia coli

RDS = replicative DNA synthesis

SCE = sister chromatid exchange

S. cerevisiae = Saccharomyces cerevisiae

S. typh. = Salmonella typhimurium

TWA = time weighted average

UDS = Unscheduled DNA synthesis

<sup>-</sup>MA = *without* metabolic activation

I U C L I D

Data Set

Existing Chemical ID: 95-50-1 CAS No. 95-50-1

EINECS Name 1,2-dichlorobenzene

EINECS No. 202-425-9

TSCA Name Benzene, 1,2-dichloro-

Molecular Formula C6H4Cl2

Producer Related Part

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### 1.0.1 OECD and Company Information

Name: Atochem

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Town: 92080 Paris la Defense

Country: France

Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

11-FEB-2000

Name: BASF AG

Street: Karl-Bosch-Str Town: 67056 Ludwigshafen

Country: Germany

Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

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Name: Bayer AG

Town: 51368 Leverkusen

Country: Germany

Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

11-FEB-2000

Name: DALTRADE LTD

Street: 16 DEVONSHIRE STREET

Town: W1N 1FS LONDON Country: United Kingdom Phone: 0171 4365454 Telefax: 0171 4361445

Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

11-FEB-2000

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Country: Italy

Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

11-FEB-2000

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Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

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Street: Ondernemingsweg 1A

Town: 2404 HM Alphen aan den Rijn

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Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

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# 1.0.2 Location of Production Site

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1.0.3 Identity of Recipients

1.1 General Substance Information

Substance type: organic Physical status: liquid

Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

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1.1.0 Details on Template

1.1.1 Spectra

1.2 Synonyms

1,2-DCB 23-AUG-2001

1,2-Dichloorbenzeen 02-JUN-1998

1,2-DICHLOROBENZENE 25-JUN-1993

1.2-DICHLORBENZOL 25-JUN-1993

BENZENE, 1,2-DICHLORO-25-JUN-1993

Benzene, 1,2-dichloro- (9CI) 30-AUG-1996

BENZENE, O-DICHLORO-25-JUN-1993

Benzene, o-dichloro- (8CI) 30-AUG-1996

CHLOROBEN 23-AUG-2001

Cloroben 23-AUG-2001

Dilatin DB 30-AUG-1996

Dowtherm E 30-AUG-1996

O-DICHLORBENZOL 23-AUG-2001

o-DICHLOROBENZENE 02-JUN-1994

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ORTHO-DICHLOROBENZENE

02-JUN-1994

1.3 Impurities

CAS-No:
EINECS-No:
EINECS-Name:

Contents: = 15 - 35 % w/w

Remark: Commercial 1,2-DCB: 15-35% para and meta-dichlorobenzene,

with lesser amounts of chlorobenzene & trichlorobenzene

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1.4 Additives

1.5 Quantity

Quantity 23-AUG-2001

1.6.1 Labelling

Labelling: as in Directive 67/548/EEC

Symbols: Xn

С

Specific limits: yes

R-Phrases: (22) Harmful if swallowed

(36/37/38) Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin (50/53) Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term

adverse effects in the aquatic environment

S-Phrases: (2) Keep out of reach of children

(23) Do not breathe ...

(60) This material and/or its container must be disposed of

as hazardous waste

(61) Avoid release to the environment. Refer to special

instructions/Safety data sets

Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

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1.6.2 Classification

Classification: as in Directive 67/548/EEC

Class of danger: corrosive

R-Phrases: (22) Harmful if swallowed

Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

11-FEB-2000

Classification: as in Directive 67/548/EEC

Class of danger: dangerous for the environment

R-Phrases: (50) Very toxic to aquatic organisms

(53) May cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic

environment

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Classification: as in Directive 67/548/EEC

Class of danger: irritating

Class or R-Phrases: (36/37/38)Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

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1.7 Use Pattern

Type: type

Non dispersive use Category:

EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA) Source:

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Type: type

Use in closed system Category:

Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

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industrial Type:

Category: Basic industry: basic chemicals

Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

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Type: industrial

Chemical industry: used in synthesis Category:

EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA) Source:

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industrial Type:

Category: Paints, lacquers and varnishes industry

Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

11-FEB-2000

use Type:

Category: Intermediates

EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA) Source:

11-FEB-2000

Type: 11.S.E. Category: Solvents

Source: EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

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1.7.1 Technology Production/Use

1.8 Occupational Exposure Limit Values

1.9 Source of Exposure

Remark: Chlorination of benzene (catalyst feCl3)

Separation of chlorobenzene by distillation.

One production site.

Atochem Paris la Defense Source:

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Remark: MANUFACTURING
Source: ESAR S.A. PARIS

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- 1.10.1 Recommendations/Precautionary Measures
- 1.10.2 Emergency Measures
- 1.11 Packaging
- 1.12 Possib. of Rendering Subst. Harmless
- 1.13 Statements Concerning Waste
- 1.14.1 Water Pollution
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# 2. PHYSICO-CHEMICAL DATA

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2.1 Melting Point

Value: -16.7 degree C

Method: other: not specified

GLP: no data Source: NICNAS

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2.2 Boiling Point

Value: 180.3 degree C

Method: other: not specified

GLP: no data Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (61)

2.3 Density

Type: density

Value: 1.3007 g/cm3 at 25 degree C

Method: other: not specified

GLP: no data Source: NICNAS

14-MAY-2003 (70)

2.3.1 Granulometry

2.4 Vapour Pressure

Value: 1.96 hPa at 25 degree C

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (160)

2.5 Partition Coefficient

log Pow: = 3.4 at 25 degree C

Method: Year:

Remark: experimentally measured

Source: NICNAS

Test substance: 14C-orthodichlorobenzene

24-AUG-2001 (18) (172)

log Pow: 3.4

Method: other (calculated): Leo, A., CLOGP-3.63 (1991) Daylight,

Chemical Information Systems, Inc. Irvine, CA USA

Year:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (55)

log Pow: 3.43

Method: Year:

Remark: experimentally measured Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

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24-AUG-2001 (256)

log Pow: = 3.49

Method: other (measured): Chiou et al , M. Environ. Sci. Technol.,

1982, 16:4-10.

Year:

Remark: Distilled water used

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (203)

log Pow: = 3.56

Method: other (measured): Chiou et al , M. Environ. Sci. Technol.,

1982, 16:4-10.

Year:

Remark: Bayou d'Inde water used

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (203)

2.6.1 Water Solubility

Value: .13 g/l at 20 degree C Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (24)

Value: = 155.8 mg/l at 25 degree C Remark: Experimentally measured

Source: NICNAS

Test substance: 14C-orthodichlorobenzene

03-JUL-2002 (18)

2.6.2 Surface Tension

2.7 Flash Point

Value: 66 degree C

Type: other

Method: other: closed cup, DIN 51758

Year:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (24)

Value: = 66 degree C

Type:

Method: other: closed cup

Year:

Source: NICNAS

23-AUG-2001 (230)

Value: 68 degree C
Type: closed cup
Method: other

Year:

GLP: no data

Remark: Method: NFT 60-103
Source: ELF ATOCHEM S.A., France
Bayer AG Leverkusen

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10-MAY-1994 (226)

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2.8 Auto Flammability

Value: 648 degree C

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (230)

2.9 Flammability

2.10 Explosive Properties

Result: other

Remark: explosive limits:

upper: 9.2% by vol lower: 2.2% by vol

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (230)

2.11 Oxidizing Properties

2.12 Additional Remarks

Remark: Thermal decomposition products: toxic chlorinated substances

such as hydrogen chloride, phosgene

Source: ELF ATOCHEM S.A., France Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (227)

Remark: Odour threshold: 1.8 mg/m3

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (9)

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3.1.1 Photodegradation

Type: INDIRECT PHOTOLYSIS Sensitizer: ОН

Conc. of sens.: 1000000 molecule/cm3

Rate constant: .0000000000003 cm3/(molecule \* sec)

50 % after 27 day Degradation:

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: no data

Remark: Method: not specified Bayer AG Leverkusen Source:

EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

10-MAY-1994 (238)

Type: air INDIRECT PHOTOLYSIS Sensitizer: ОН

Conc. of sens.: 500000 molecule/cm3

Rate constant: .000000000003 cm3/(molecule \* sec) Degradation: 50 % after 53 day

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: no data

Remark: Method: not specified Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

10-MAY-1994 (238)

Type: air INDIRECT PHOTOLYSIS Sensitizer: ОН

Conc. of sens.: 500000 molecule/cm3 Method: other (calculated)

Year: GLP: no

Test substance: no data

Remark: Rate of Constant: 4.2 +/- 0.2 E-13 cm3/(molecule .sec) Degradation: 50 % after 38 +/- 2 day at 292 degree K.

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

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02-JUL-2003 (278) (279)

Type: air

Light source: other: wavelength 254 nm

254 nm Light spect.:

Conc. of subst.: at 23 degree C

Quantum yield: .63

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: "direct photolysis is not a degadation pathway of any

> consequence in the environment since 1,2-DCB does not absorb enough in the wavelength range encountered in tropospheric

sunlight."

Source: NICNAS

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water INDIRECT PHOTOLYSIS Sensitizer:

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Method: other (measured): Photochemical degradation in presence of

H2O2 on indication with light of wave length > 290 nm

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: no data

Remark: Concentration of sensitizer: e-16 to e17 mol/l

Rate of constant: 3.0e9 1/molxsec

Degradation: 50 % after 642 - 6418 hour of sunshine According to the author degradation proceeds via intermediates (chlorobenzene, chlorophenol) as far as

mineralization to CO2 and HCl

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

10-MAY-1994 (163) (164)

Type: water
INDIRECT PHOTOLYSIS
Sensitizer: OH

Method: other (measured): water was sampled at a depth of 8 cm beneath

the surface of the river Goldbach 440 m above sea level under

cloudless sky

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: no data

Remark: Conc. of sensitizer: 0.000000000000000 mol/1

Rate of Constant: no data

Degradation: 50 % after 12.8 days (10 h sunshine/d)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

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01-JUL-2003 (224)

3.1.2 Stability in Water

Type: abiotic

Method: other: Hydrolysis

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Result: o-dichlorbenzene is stable in aqueous solution (15 mg/l) for

2 months at 4 degree C.

Hydrolysis of o-dichlorobenzene under conditions obtaining

in the environment is improbable.

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

17-MAY-1994 (50) (150)

Type: Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: VOLATILE FROM WATER COLUMN-ESTIMATED HALF LIFE 4.4 HOURS FROM 1 METER RIVER FLOWING 1M/SEC WIND VELOCITY 3M/SEC.

PERSISTANT HALF LIFE EST 0.3-3 DAYS-RIVERS 3-30 LAKES

30-300 GROUND WATERS

Source: DALTRADE LTD LONDON

EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

07-SEP-2001 (97)

Type: Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

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Remark: With an approximate value of Henry's constant of 200 Pa/mol at

25 C, 1,2-DCB would be considered readily volatile from water.

Source: NICNAS

14-MAY-2003 (253)

3.1.3 Stability in Soil

Type: field trial Radiolabel:

Concentration:
Cation exch.
capac.
Microbial
biomass:
Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: MODERATELY-TIGHTLY ABSORBED IN SOIL.CHEMICAL TRANSFORMATION

PROCESSES SUCH AS HYDROLYSIS, OXIDATION OR DIRECT PHOTOLYSIS

ON SOIL SURFACES ARE NOT EXPECTED TO OCCUR.

Source: DALTRADE LTD LONDON

EUROPEAN COMMISSION - European Chemicals Bureau Ispra (VA)

16-MAY-2003 (97)

3.2 Monitoring Data (Environment)

Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: sediment

Method:

Concentration

Remark: O-dichlorobenzene levels from < 5 to 227 ug/kg were found in

Rhine sediments.

In USA, the concentrations of o-dichlorobenzene collected from the vicinity of industrial discharges were found to be 7.1~mg/kg (express as organic carbon content) and 1.3~mg/kg (dry weight), surficial sediments collected from great lakes

yielded concentrations up to 56 ug/kg.

Investigations of suspended particles of the Niagara river revealed that the concentrations of o-dichlorobenzene in larger particles were greater than in smaller ones (75ug/kg,

dry weight) for particles of 75 um and 110 ug/kg (dry

weight) for particles of > 500 um.

The lipid content of the suspended particles could be the

reason for the difference.

Measured concentrations of o-dichlorobenzene in benthic sediments at the vicinity of a discharge of municipal waste water were up to 750 ug/kg (dry weight) at a sediment depth

of 0-2 cm and up to 800 ug/kg at depth of 0-5 cm.

The concentration in the sediments decreased sharply with

increasing distance from discharge zones.

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

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Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: other: rainwater

Method:

 ${\tt Concentration}$ 

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Remark: In Europe and USA concentrations in rainwater were found to

range from 0.03 ng/l to 110 ng/l

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (50)

Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: drinking water

Method: Concentration

Remark: In the USA, in a monitoring survey in 113 cities, measured

concentrations of o-dichlorobenzene was 0.01 ug/l (1977). Systematic studies in New Jersey revealed from 0.3 to 0.5 ug/l of o-dichlorobenzene in 6 out of 750 potable water samples submitted by 600 water works (June 1985). In December again 6 out of 750 samples contained from 0.3 to

25 ug/l of o-dichlorobenzene.

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (50)

Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: ground water

Method:

Concentration

Remark: In the USA a nation wide study did not revealed any

o-dichlorobenzene in the samples of ground water submitted

by 466 water works (limit of detection 0.5 ug/l).

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (50)

Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: drinking water

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration  $< .001 - .007 \mu g/1$ 

Remark: in the paper the reported units are ppt. They have been

converted to ug/L

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: surface water

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration  $< .001 - .007 \mu g/1$ 

Remark: in the paper the reported units are ppt. They have been

converted to ug/L

Source: NICNAS

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Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: sediment

Method:

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Concentration 27

Remark: Lake Ontario - in the vicinity of the Niagara River.

Results in ng/g.

Source: NICNAS

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Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: sediment

Method:

Concentration 19

Remark: Lake Ontario - central basin of lake. Results in

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (195)

Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: sediment

Method:

Concentration 20

Remark: Lake Ontario - eastern basin of lake. Results in ng/g.

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (195)

Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: sediment

Method:

Concentration 5.7

Remark: Hamilton Harbour. Results in ng/g.

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (195)

Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: other: biota Atlantic croakers (Micropogonias undulatus)

Method:

Concentration .08

Remark: Units in ug/g of lipid. Site is junction of Calcasieu River

and Bayou d'Inde

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (203)

Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: other: biota blue crabs (Callinectes sapidus)

Method:

Concentration .26

Remark: Units in ug/g of lipid. Site is junction of Calcasieu River

and Bayou d'Inde

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (203)

Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: other: biota spotted trout (Cynoscion nebulosis)

Method:

Concentration .06

Remark: Units in ug/g of lipid. Site is junction of Calcasieu River

and Bayou d'Inde

Source: NICNAS

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Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: other: rain water

Method:

Concentration .00013 - .00062  $\mu g/l$  Country: Portland, Oregan, USA.

Remark: Data in paper given in ng/L

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (156)

Type of

measurement: background concentration
Medium: other: atmospheric gas phase

Method:

Concentration  $.0033 - .01 \mu g/1$  Country: Portland, Oregan, USA.

Remark: Data in paper given in ng/L

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (156)

Type of

measurement: background concentration

Medium: other: receiving waters taking effluent from sewage treatment

plants

Method:

Concentration  $< .5 - \mu g/1$ 

Remark: No DCB was detected in receiving waters for the effluent from

16 sewage treatment plants in the Syndney region, Australia. The detection limit of the equipment was  $0.5~\mathrm{ppb}$  (ug/L).

Source: NICNAS

02-JUL-2003 (249)

Type of

measurement: concentration at contaminated site

Medium: ground water

Method:

Concentration

Concentration

Remark: In a nation wide study in the USA, 2 out of 479 water works

which had been contaminated in the past were found to

contain o-dichlorobenzene concentrations of 2.2 ug/l and 2.7

ug/1 (1984).

In New Jersey, 3 % of both ground water from 685 wells and surface water from 463 sampling stations were found to be

contaminated by o-dichlorobenzene with a maximum

concentration of 6800 ug/l and 8.2 ug/l respectively (1981).

In the USA in ground water contaminated by waste water o-dichlorobenzene concentrations of from 0.01 to 0.67 ug/l were measured in Massachusetts and of 77 ug/l and 85 ug/l in

Mıchıgan.

Ground water in the immediate vicinity of a chemical factory

in Ohio, was found to contain up to 4370 ug/l of

o-dichlorobenzene (1982-1987).

A remote well still contained 372 ug/l.

In USA investigation of ground water contaminated by

domestic and industrial landfill revealed o-dichlorobenzene

concentrations ranging from 5 ug/l to 130 ug/l.

In Canada ground water near an abandoned landfill contained

a o-dichlorobenzene mean concentration of 0.038 ug/l.

The maximum o-dichlorobenzene concentration in leachate from

44 hazardous landfills in the USA was 670 ug/l.

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

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Type of

measurement: concentration at contaminated site

Medium: other: waster water effluent

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration  $.006 - .022 \,\mu g/1$ 

Remark: in the paper the reported units are ppt. They have been

converted to ug/L

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: concentration at contaminated site

Medium: surface water

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration  $.009 - \mu g/1$ 

Remark: in the paper the reported units are ppt. They have been

converted to ug/L

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: concentration at contaminated site

Medium: surface water

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration  $.056 - \mu g/l$ 

Remark: in the paper the reported units are ppt. They have been

converted to ug/L

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: concentration at contaminated site

Medium: surface water

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration 12 -  $\mu$ g/1

Remark: in the paper the reported units are ppt. They have been

converted to ug/L

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: concentration at contaminated site

Medium: sediment

Method: used a Finnigan TSQ-46B computerised capillary gc/ms/ms.

Concentration 7.1

Remark: Units are ug/g of organic carbon

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (203)

Type of

measurement: concentration at contaminated site

Medium: surface water

Method: used a Finnigan TSQ-46B computerised capillary gc/ms/ms.

Concentration  $.009 - \mu g/1$ 

Source: NICNAS

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Type of

measurement: concentration at contaminated site

Medium: other: biota blue catfish (Ichtalurus furcatus)

Method:

Concentration .11

Remark: units ug/g of lipid. Site is Bayou d'Inde industrial outfall

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (203)

Type of

measurement: concentration at contaminated site

Medium: other: biota blue catfish (Ichtalurus furcatus)

Method:

Concentration .06

Remark: Units in ug/g of lipid. Site is junction of Calcasieu River

and Bayou d'Inde

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (203)

Type of

measurement: other: Grand River Medium: surface water

Method: capillary gas chromatography with an electron capture detector

Concentration  $< .001 - .031 \mu g/1$ 

Remark: in the paper the reported units are ppt. They have been

converted to ug/L

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Erie

Medium: sediment

Method: capillary gas chromatography with an electron capture detector

Concentration 1 - 4

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Erie

Medium: other: biota rainbow trout age 6+ years

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration 1

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

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Type of

measurement: other: Lake Huron

Medium: sediment

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration < 5 - 56

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

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Type of

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measurement: other: Lake Huron

Medium: other: biota lake trout age 6+ years

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration 1

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Huron water

Medium: surface water

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration  $< .001 - \mu g/1$ 

Remark: in the paper the reported units are ppt. They have been

converted to ug/L

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Ontario

Medium: sediment

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration 4 - 27

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Ontario

Medium: other: biota lake trout age 6+years

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Ontario

Medium: other: biota lake trout age 4+years

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration 1

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Ontario

Medium: other: sediment core 0-1 cm

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration 14

Remark: units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

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Type of

measurement: other: Lake Ontario

other: sediment core 1-2 cm

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration

16 Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Ontario

other: sediment core 2-3 cm Medium:

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration 19

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Ontario

Medium: other: sediment core 3-4 cm

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

NICNAS Source:

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Ontario

Medium: other: sediment core 4-5 cm

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration 26

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Ontario

Medium: other: sediment core 5-6 cm

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration 1.3

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Ontario

Medium: other: sediment core 6-7 cm

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

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Type of

measurement: other: Lake Ontario

Medium: other: sediment core 7-8 cm

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration < 5

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Ontario water

Medium: surface water

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration  $.002 - .007 \mu g/1$ 

Remark: in the paper the reported units are ppt. They have been

converted to ug/L

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Superior

Medium: sediment

Method: - capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration < 5 - 1

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: Lake Superior

Medium: other: biota lake trout age 6+years

Method: capillary gas chromatography with and electron capture

detector

Concentration .3

Remark: Units are ng/g (ppb)

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (196)

Type of

measurement: other: heavily industrialised, municipal and rural

Medium: air

Method:

Concentration ca. 1.3 - 61

Remark: This range is the range of the maximum values taken across

all1 sites and are in ug/cubic metre. The overall mean was 3

ug/cubic metre (mean range was 1.2-11.6 ug/cubic metre).

Source: NICNAS

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3.3.1 Transport between Environmental Compartments

Type: adsorption Media: other

Air (Level I):
Water (Level I):
Soil (Level I):
Biota (L.II/III):

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Soil (L.II/III): Method: other: adsorption to soil Year: Result: Experimental determination of soil/water coefficients in various soils and coefficients of soil sorption coefficient (KOC = carbon organic content) showed value ranging from 0.02 to 250 and 286 to 4654 respectively Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen 01-JUL-2003 (50)adsorption Type: Media: other Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I): Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other: adsorption to soil Year: Result: The soil sorption coefficient KOC expressed in terms of the content of organic carbon was 383 for a surface soil after 24 h exposure at 22.5 +/- 1 degree C with an unadjusted pH of 6.3. The soil sorption coefficient was significantly reduced under basic conditions. Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen 24-AUG-2001 (50) (242)adsorption Type: Media: other Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I): Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other: adsorption to soil Year: Result: The elemination rate for o-dichlorobenzene was found during bank filtration in the lower Rhine to be 75 - 80 %. Bayer AG Leverkusen Source: 24-AUG-2001 (40) (50)Type: adsorption Media: other Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I): Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other: adsorption to soil Year: Result: Elimination through soil is severely impaired by the high desorption power of o-dichlorobenzene Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen 03-SEP-2001 (50) (114)Type: adsorption Media: other: soil Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I):

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Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other: calculation Year: Koc = 977. calculated using the equation log Koc = Result: 1.377+0.544 Source: NICNAS 03-SEP-2001 (54)Type: adsorption Media: other: soil - water Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I): Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other: adsorption to soil Year: Result: o-dichlorobenzene was desorbed from contaminated soil columns by elution with distilled water Bayer AG Leverkusen Source: 24-AUG-2001 (37) (50) Type: adsorption Media: other: soil - water Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I): Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other Year: Result: constant resuspensions of soil sediment from lake Ontario could result in more than 98 % desorption over the course a vear. The calculated release of 2 kg per year is however very low compared with the 2.6 t/a of o-dichlorobenzene via the Niagara. Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen 24-AUG-2001 (50) (199)Type: adsorption Media: water - soil Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I): Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other: adsorption to soil Year: Result: Elimination efficiences from 15 % to 53 % during infiltration and soil percolation of o-dichlorobenzene containing waste water from a waste water treatment plant Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen 24-AUG-2001 (38) (50)Type: adsorption Media: water - soil Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I):

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Biota (L.II/III):
Soil (L.II/III):
Method:
                  other: adsorption to soil
  Year:
Result:
                  No detection of o-dichlorbenzene in the water pumped out of
                  aquifer after the passage through the soil
Source:
                  Bayer AG Leverkusen
24-AUG-2001
                                                                         (50) (258)
Type:
                  adsorption
                  water - soil
Media:
Air (Level I):
Water (Level I):
Soil (Level I):
Biota (L.II/III):
Soil (L.II/III):
Method:
                  other: adsorption to soil
 Year:
Result:
                  Four month after sludge containing o-dichlorbenzene had been
                   incorporated into the upper layer of the soil (0-15 cm)
                  which was subsequently irrigated, it was detected in the
                   lower layer (15-48 \text{ cm}).
                  Bayer AG Leverkusen
Source:
24-AUG-2001
                                                                          (50) (86)
Type:
                  adsorption
Media:
                  water - soil
Air (Level I):
Water (Level I):
Soil (Level I):
Biota (L.II/III):
Soil (L.II/III):
Method:
 Year:
                  Woodburn silt loam soil used: 1.9% OM, 68% silt, 21% clay
Remark:
                  and 9% sand.
Result:
                  log Kom = 2.27 (Kom is Soil-organic matter-water
                  distribution coefficient.
Source:
                  NICNAS
03-SEP-2001
                                                                               (66)
Type:
                  volatility
                  other: surface water and soil to air
Media:
Air (Level I):
Water (Level I):
Soil (Level I):
Biota (L.II/III):
Soil (L.II/III):
Method:
 Year:
Remark:
                   Dominant removal mechanism from surface water and soil is
                   expected to be volatilisation
09-JUL-2003
                                                                              (240)
Type:
                  volatility
Media:
                  other: water - air and water - soil
Air (Level I):
Water (Level I):
Soil (Level I):
Biota (L.II/III):
Soil (L.II/III):
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Method: other: Henry's constant Year: Result: calculated: H = 193 Pa m3/mol at 25 degree CH = 190 - 198 Pa m3/mol at 25 degree C H = 172 Pa m3/mol at 20 degree CH = 121.6 Pa m3/mol at 20 degree C H = 219 Pa m3/mol at 20 degree CBayer AG Leverkusen Source: 24-AUG-2001 (50)Type: volatility Media: water - air Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I): Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other: Henry's constant Year: Result: experimental values: H = 165 Pa m3/mol at 10 degree CH = 145 Pa m3/mol at 15 degree CH = 170 Pa m3/mol at 20 degree CH = 159 Pa m3/mol at 25 degree C H = 240 Pa m3/mol at 30 degree CBayer AG Leverkusen Source: 24-AUG-2001 (14)Type: volatility Media: water - air Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I): Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other: Henry's constant Year: Result: 290 +/- 30 Pa m3/mol at 37 degree C based on an experimental water/air coefficient = 9.0 + /- 1Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen 10-SEP-2001 (228)Type: volatility Media: water - air Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I): Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other Year: Result: 40 % decrease in concentration of o-dichlorobenzene in waste water due to evaporation to the atmosphere Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen Test condition: Secondary treated waste water contaminated with the substance flowed through basis in which the residence time was 8 hours 24-AUG-2001 (38)volatility Type:

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water - air Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I): Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other Year: 50 % evaporation from ponds into the atmosphere within Result: 14.6 h Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen Test condition: Model experiment to investigate the distribution of o-dichlorobenzene in waste stabilisation ponds during waste water treatment. 24-AUG-2001 (78) (79)volatility Type: Media: water - air Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I): Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other Year: Result: Half lives for evaporation of o-dichlorobenzene from solution were found to be 1.17 and 2.5 minutes for depth of 0.75 and 1.6 cm respectively Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen 24-AUG-2001 (104)Type: volatility Media: water - air Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I): Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other Year: 19.82 and 85 % evaporation from aqueous solution after 2, 4 Result: and 8 d at room temperature without aeration Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen 20-MAY-2003 (60)Type: volatility Media: water - air Air (Level I): Water (Level I): Soil (Level I): Biota (L.II/III): Soil (L.II/III): Method: other Year: Result: In a closed system under addition of 2 % methanol to aqueous phase, 25 % of o-chlorobenzene had evaporated within 25 min. and 90 % within 3.5 h without aeration Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen 24-AUG-2001 (120)volatility Type:

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Media:
                  water - air
Air (Level I):
Water (Level I):
Soil (Level I):
Biota (L.II/III):
Soil (L.II/III):
Method:
                  other
  Year:
                  50 % of the initial concentration within 4 h and a 90 %
Result:
                  reduction within 24 h has a solution of Rhine water slowly
                  stirred and containing 0,05 ug/l of o-dichlorobenzene
Source:
                  Bayer AG Leverkusen
24-AUG-2001
                                                                             (205)
                  volatility
Type:
                  water - air
Media:
Air (Level I):
Water (Level I):
Soil (Level I):
Biota (L.II/III):
Soil (L.II/III):
Method:
 Year:
Remark:
                  This paper discusses the voltilisation rates of
                  high-volatility compounds, and the transport of such
                  chemicals from water bodies to air as important pathways.
Source:
                  NICNAS
07-SEP-2001
                                                                        (50) (241)
Type:
                  volatility
Media:
Air (Level I):
Water (Level I):
Soil (Level I):
Biota (L.II/III):
Soil (L.II/III):
Method:
                  other: calculated
  Year:
Result:
                  Henry's constant, H = 0.0013 atm m3/moles
Source:
                  NICNAS
03-SEP-2001
                                                                              (54)
                  other: sorption and distribution coefficient (Kd)
Type:
Media:
                  other: solute-sorbent system (aquifer soil-artifical
                  groundwater)
Air (Level I):
Water (Level I):
Soil (Level I):
Biota (L.II/III):
Soil (L.II/III):
Method:
  Year:
Remark:
                  Real Borden aquifer material, synthetic groundwater and carbon
                  14 labelled 1,2-DCB were used. Sorption was analysed at times
                  ranging from 2-144 hours. The initial aqueous concnentraiton
                  was approximately 30 ug/L.
                  Initial sorption was rapid, with approximately 50% of the
                  total sorption occurring in the first 2 hours and then a
                  graadually declining sorption rate over a period of days.
Result:
                  Isotherm data:
                  Linear Kd (95% CI), with intercept = 0.76 + -0.03
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Linear Kd (95% CI), with suppressed intercept = 0.81 + - 0.03

Freundlich distribution coefficient, Kf = 1.16 + - 0.0.

Source: NICNAS

16-MAY-2003 (73)

Type: other: sorption/desportion

Media: soil - air

Air (Level I):
Water (Level I):
Soil (Level I):
Biota (L.II/III):
Soil (L.II/III):

Method: Year:

Result: desorption rate slower than sorption rate for contact times

of 7,14,49, and 99 days. Rates of sorption and desorption for

2 days contact not statistically different.

Source: NICNAS

16-MAY-2003 (83)

3.3.2 Distribution

Media: other: transport in an unconfined sand aquifer

Method: other (measurement): field

Year:

Result: Initial one-point partition coefficient results indicated that

the sorption distribution of coefficients for four halogenated organic solutes (including 1,2-DCB) varied proportionally

among core strata. On this basis one solute

(tetrachloroethylene) was used to further investigate the distribution sorption coefficents. The observation could not be explained by organic carbon content or specific surface area. It is possible that unidentified minerals phases may

account for the observations.

Source: NICNAS

19-MAY-2003 (161)

3.4 Mode of Degradation in Actual Use

3.5 Biodegradation

Type: aerobic

Inoculum: predominantly domestic sewage, adapted

Concentration: 4 mg/l related to Test substance

Degradation: 58 % after 20 day

Method: OECD Guide-line 301 D "Ready Biodegradability: Closed Bottle

Test"

Year: 1977 GLP: no

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (50)

Type: aerobic

Inoculum: other: wastewater from a municipal wastewater treatment plant

Concentration: 4 mg/l related to Test substance

Contact time: 28 day

Degradation: 93 % after 28 day
Testsubstance: 5 day 18 %

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14 day 35 % 21 day 77 % 28 day 93 %

Method: OECD Guide-line 301 D "Ready Biodegradability: Closed Bottle

Test"

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

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Type: aerobic

Inoculum: activated sludge

Concentration: 100 mg/l

Degradation: 0 % after 28 day

Result: under test conditions no biodegradation observed

Method: other: see remarks

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: "Biodegradation test of chemical substance by microorganisms

etc." stipulated in the Order Prescribing the Items of the Test Relating to the New Chemical Substance (1974, Order of the Prime Minister, Minister of Health and Welfare, the MITI No. 1). This guideline corresponds to "301C, Ready Biodegradability: Modified MITI Test I" stipulated in the OECD

Guidelines for Testing of Chemicals (May 12, 1981).

Sludge conc. : 30 mg/l

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (31)

Type: aerobic

Inoculum: activated sludge, adapted

Concentration: 83 mg/l related to Test substance

Contact time: 8 hour(s)
Degradation: 99.9 %

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: The wastewate treatment pilot plant was operated for 60 days

and had a residence time of 8 hours. 24% of the elimination was due to stripping during aeration and 75% was due to

biodegradation.

Source: NICNAS

09-JUL-2003 (248)

Type: aerobic

Inoculum: Pseudomonas sp. (Bacteria)

Concentration: 200 mg/l related to Test substance

Contact time: 72 hour(s)
Degradation: 100 %

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Degradation was via ring cleavage.

Source: NICNAS

14-MAY-2003 (293)

Type: aerobic

Inoculum: Pseudomonas sp. (Bacteria)

Concentration: 200 mg/l Contact time: 26 hour(s) Degradation: 100 %

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Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: inoculum was radiation generated mutants of Pseudomonas sp

Source: NICNAS

14-MAY-2003 (293)

Type: aerobic

Inoculum: other: biofilm bacteria

Concentration: 15  $\mu$ g/l related to Test substance

Contact time: 2 day

Degradation: 0 % 15 after 2 day

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (36)

Type: anaerobic

Inoculum: other: co-settled digested sludge from hogsmill Valley WPCW

Concentration: 710  $\mu$ g/l related to Test substance

Contact time: 32 day

Degradation: 66 % after 32 day

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Result: 50% removed in less than 4 days

Source: NICNAS

Conclusion: removal must be attributed to a chemical conversion or

physical removal process other than sorption

03-SEP-2001 (142)

Type: anaerobic

Inoculum: other: digested sludge from a municipal wastewater treatment

plant

Concentration: 50 mg/l
Contact time: 7 day

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Result: 20% elimination in the aqueous phase.

Source: NICNAS

09-JUL-2003 (105)

Type: anaerobic

Inoculum: other: methanogenic mixed culture enriched from the Saale

river sediments.

Concentration: .5 mmol/l

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Method: A range of chlorobenzeneisomers and mixture were fed to serum

bottles filled with river sediment to give aq final

concentration of approximately 0.5 mmol/L.

Result: All chlorobenzenes were transformed by reductive

dechlorination via mono-chlorobenzene to unsubstituted benzene

after a short lag phase of only 1 week.

Source: NICNAS

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Type:

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Inoculum: anaerobic microorganisms

Concentration: 83 mg/l Degradation: 99.9 %

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: means of removal 22% due to stripping and 78% due to

biodegradation.

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (141)

Type:

Inoculum: other bacteria: wastewater purification simulating pilot plant

Concentration: 38.6  $\mu$ g/1 405  $\mu$ g/1

Degradation: 97 - 99 %

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Influent concentration range was 38.6 and 495 ug/L.

The result is based on the limit of detection of DCB in the

effluent.

The type of inoculum used in the plant and the retention time

were not specified.

Source: NICNAS

14-MAY-2003 (109)

Type:

Inoculum: other bacteria:simulated biological wasterwater treatment

plant

Concentration: 50  $\mu$ g/l

150 µg/l

Contact time: 5.5 hour(s)

Degradation: 35 %

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Hydraulic retention time was 5.5 hours and activiated sludge

retentio time was 6 days.

Mass balance indicated the following distribution of DCB - 6% in effluent, 59% removed via stripping (due to volatility), 35% removed via biodegradationa d 0% adsorbed to biomass.

Source: NICNAS

14-MAY-2003 (289)

Type:

Inoculum: other bacteria:simulated biological wasterwater treatment

plant

Concentration: 50  $\mu$ g/l 150  $\mu$ g/l

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Hydraulic retention time was 5.5 hours and activiated sludge

retentio time was 6 days.

Mass balance indicated the following distribution of DCB - 6%

in effluent, 59% removed via stripping, 35% removed via

biodegradationa d 0% adsorbed to biomass.

Result: A decrease in the elimination of DCB occurred when pulverised

activated carbon was added to the activated sludge. When  $25~\mathrm{mg/L}$  of activated carbon was added there was 61% elimination,

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with 50 mg/L there was 71%, with 100 mg/L there was 93%, and with 200 mg/L there was 94% elimination. Elimination includes biodegradation and adsorption. Without activated carbon there was no adsorption on biomass and there was 35% biodegradation.

Source: NICNAS

14-MAY-2003 (289)

Type:

Inoculum: other: Standard spiked soil 26.8 related to Test substance Concentration:

Contact time: 259 day Degradation: ca. 90 %

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Units ug/kg. Loss process was a two-step first order process, with volatilisation the main means of loss.

Concentration dropped to 2.82 after 259 days. Major loss Result:

occurred in first 32 days. Half-life in step one was 8.63

and in step two 191.

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (285)

Type:

Inoculum: other: soil amended with sewage sludge Concentration:

126 related to Test substance

Contact time: 259 day ca. 85 % Degradation:

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Units ug/kg. Loss process was a two-step first order process, with volatilisation the main means of loss.

Result:

Concentration dropped to 19.9 after 259 days. Major loss

occurred in first 32 days. Half-life in step one was 13.2

and in step two 892.

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (285)

3.6 BOD5, COD or BOD5/COD Ratio

B O D 5

other: complete mix continuous flow activated sludge systems

Concentration: 162 mg/l related to

BOD5: 2.6 mgO2/1

C O D

Method: other: complete mix continuous flow activated sludge systems

COD: 49 mg/g substance

Remark: retention time in system 6 days; influent BOD5=162; NOTE COD

units are mg/l, influent COD=416; TOC in influent = 151 and

in effluent = 17 mg/l.

Source: NICNAS

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B O D 5

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Method: other: complete mix continuous flow activated sludge systems

Concentration: 159 mg/l related to

BOD5: 3.2 mgO2/1

C O D

Method: other: complete mix continuous flow activated sludge systems

COD: 40 mg/g substance

Remark: retention time in system 4 days; influent BOD5=159; NOTE COD

units are mg/l, influent COD=428; TOC in influent = 154 and

in effluent = 20 mg/l.

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (141)

B O D 5

Method: other: complete mix continuous flow activated sludge systems

Concentration: 162 mg/l related to

BOD5: 3.3 mgO2/1

C O D

Method: other: influent COD=416; complete mix continuous flow

activated sludge systems

COD: 35 mg/g substance

Remark: retention time in system 2 days; influent BOD5=162; influent

COD=416.

Source: NICNAS

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3.7 Bioaccumulation

Species: Cynoscion nebulosus (Fish, marine)

Exposure period:

Concentration:  $.009 \mu g/1$  BCF: 6166

Elimination:

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Country: Louisiana, USA

Remark: Results are given in paper as log BCF. Values presented here

are BCF

Source: NICNAS

30-JUL-2002 (203)

Species: Cyprinus carpio (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 56 day Concentration: .01 mg/l BCF: 90 - 260

Elimination:

Method: other: see remarks

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Method:

"Bioaccumulation test of chemical substance in fish and shellfish" stipulated in the Order Prescribing the Items of the Test Relating to the New Chemical Substance (1974, Order

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of the Prime Minister, the Minister of Health and Welfare, the MITI No. 1). This guideline corresponds to "305C, Bioaccumulation: Degree of Bioconcentration in Fish" stipulated in the OEDC Guidelines for Testing of Chemicals

(May 12, 1981).

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (31)

Species: Cyprinus carpio (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 56 day Concentration: .1 mg/l BCF: 150 - 230

Elimination:

Method: other: see remarks

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Method: "Bioaccumulation test of chemical substance in fish and

shellfish" stipulated in the Order Prescribing the Items of the Test Relating to the New Chemical Substance (1974, Order of the Prime Minister, the Minister of Health and Welfare, the MITI No. 1). This guideline corresponds to "305C, Bioaccumulation: Degree of Bioconcentration in Fish"

stipulated in the OEDC Guidelines for Testing of Chemicals

(May 12, 1981).

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (31)

Species: Ictalurus furcatus (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period:

Concentration:  $.009 \mu g/1$  BCF: 6607

Elimination:
Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Country: Louisiana, USA

Remark: Results are given in paper as log BCF. Values presented here

are BCF

Source: NICNAS

30-JUL-2002 (203)

Species: Lepomis macrochirus (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 14 day at 16 degree C

Concentration:  $7.89 \mu g/l$ 

BCF: 89

Elimination:

Method: other: closed system, intermittentflow-through

Year: GLP:

Test substance: other TS: C14 labelled DCB

Remark: Half-life for elimination from tissue was less than 1 day

Source: NICNAS

01-JUL-2003 (22) (276)

Species: Micropogon undulatus (Fish, estuary, marine)

Exposure period:

Concentration: .009  $\mu$ g/l BCF: 8710

Elimination:
Method:

Year: GLP:

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Test substance:

Country: Louisiana, USA

Remark: Results are given in paper as log BCF. Values presented here

are BCF

Source: NICNAS

30-JUL-2002 (203)

Species: Salmo gairdneri (Fish, estuary, fresh water)

Exposure period: 105 day at 15 degree C

Concentration: .94 µg/l

BCF: 560

Elimination:
Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: This results is for whole fish.

Good correlation was found between the BCF and the

octanol-water parttition coefficient.

Standard deviation +/- 130.

Source: NICNAS

30-JUL-2002 (197)

Species: Salmo gairdneri (Fish, estuary, fresh water)

Exposure period: 119 day at 15 degree C

Concentration: .047 µg/l

BCF: 270

Elimination:

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: This result is for whole fish.

Good correlation was found between the BCF and the

octanol-water parttition coefficient.

Standard deviation +/- 21.

Source: NICNAS

30-JUL-2002 (197)

Species: other: Chrinomus decorus (midge), larval stages

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Concentration:

BCF: .22

Elimination:

Method: other: flowthrough exposure system Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: BCF for midge larvae in high-organic-content sediment. 200

ml of 1 ug/L in 10 g of sediment = concentration in

sediment, 0.02 ug/g.

Standard deviation - 0.04

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (145)

Species: other: Chrinomus decorus (midge), larval stages

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Concentration:

BCF: .23

Elimination:

Method: other: flowthrough exposure system Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: BCF for midge larvae in high-organic-content sediment, under

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non-equilibrium exposure conditions. 200 ml of 1 ug/L in 10

g of sediment = concentration in sediment, 0.02 ug/g.

Standard deviation - 0.07

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (145)

Species: other: Chrinomus decorus (midge), larval stages

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Concentration:

BCF: 1.08

Elimination:

Method: other: flowthrough exposure system Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: BCF for midge larvae in low-organic-content sediment, under

non-equilibrium exposure conditions. 200 ml of 1 ug/L in 10

g of sediment = concentration in sediment, 0.02 ug/g.

Standard deviation - 0.53

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (145)

Species: other: Chrinomus decorus (midge), larval stages

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Concentration:

BCF: 29

Elimination:

Method: other: flowthrough exposure system Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: BCF for midge larvae in interstitial water in

high-organic-content sediment, under equilibrium exposure

conditions. 200 ml of 1 ug/L in 10 g of sediment =

concentration in sediment, 0.02 ug/g.

Standard deviation - 5

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (145)

Species: other: Chrinomus decorus (midge), larval stages

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Concentration:

BCF: 29

Elimination:

Method: other: flowthrough exposure system Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: BCF for midge larvae in interstitial water in

high-organic-content sediment, under non-equilibrium

exposure conditions. 200 ml of 1 ug/L in 10 g of sediment =

concentration in sediment, 0.02 ug/g.

Standard deviation - 5

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (145)

Species: other: Chrinomus decorus (midge), larval stages

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Concentration:

BCF: 31

Elimination:

Method: other: flowthrough exposure system Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: BCF for midge larvae in overlying water above

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 $\label{limit} \mbox{high-organic-content sediment, under equilibrium exposure}$ 

conditions. 200 ml of 1 ug/L in 10 g of sediment =

concentration in sediment, 0.02 ug/g.

Standard deviation - 5

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (145)

Species: other: Chrinomus decorus (midge), larval stages

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Concentration:

BCF: 31

Elimination:

Method: other: flowthrough exposure system Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: BCF for midge larvae in interstitial water in

low-organic-content sediment, under non-equilibrium exposure

conditions. 200 ml of 1 ug/L in 10 g of sediment =

concentration in sediment, 0.02 ug/g.

Standard deviation - 18

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (145)

Species: other: Chrinomus decorus (midge), larval stages

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Concentration:

BCF: 49

Elimination:

Method: other: flowthrough exposure system Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: BCF for midge larvae in overlying water above

high-organic-content sediment, under non-equilibrium

exposure conditions. 200 ml of 1 ug/L in 10 g of sediment =

concentration in sediment, 0.02 ug/g.

Standard deviation - 10

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (145)

Species: other: Chrinomus decorus (midge), larval stages

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Concentration:

BCF: 1071

Elimination:
Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: BCF for midge larvae in overlying water above

low-organic-content sediment, under non-equilibrium exposure

conditions. 200 ml of 1 ug/L in 10 g of sediment =

concentration in sediment, 0.02 ug/g.

Standard deviation - 881

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (145)

Species: other: Selenastrum capricornutum

Exposure period: 24 hour(s)
Concentration: 2 mg/l
BCF: 10080

Elimination:

Method: other: direct measurement of the compound in the algal

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concentrates and medium supernatants by gas-liquid

chromatography

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Compounds dosed simultaneously.

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (62)

Species: other: Selenastrum capricornutum

Exposure period: 24 hour(s)

Concentration:

BCF: 14900

Elimination:

Method: other: direct measurement of the compound in the algal

concentrates and medium supernatants by gas-liquid

chromatography

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: This result is an average of the results presented in record

17 and 19.

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (62)

Species: other: Selenastrum capricornutum

Exposure period: 24 hour(s)
Concentration: 10 mg/l
BCF: 19700

Elimination:

Method: other: direct measurement of the compound in the algal

concnetrates and medium supernatants by gas-liquid

chromatography

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: compounds dosed singly

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (62)

Species: other: oligachaete worms (mainly Tubifex tubifex and

Limnodrilus hoffmeisteri)

Exposure period: 79 day at 8 degree C

Concentration:  $.23 \mu g/1$ 

BCF:

Elimination:

Method: other: Spiked Lake Ontario sediments Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Result: Worms' uptake phase, 79 d CF=40. where CF= concentration on

worm dry weight/concentration in sediment.

Worms' depuration phase, 84 d not detected. Half-life in

worms less than 5 days.

Water concentration 0.0024 ug/l.

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (198)

Species: other:Callinectes sapidus

Exposure period:

Concentration:  $.009 \mu g/1$  BCF: 28840

Elimination:
Method:

Year: GLP:

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Test substance:

Country: Louisiana, USA

Remark: Results are given in paper as log BCF. Values presented here

are BCF

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (203)

Species: other:aquatic species

Exposure period:

Concentration:

BCF: 270

Elimination:

Method: other: estimated using the equation BCF=0.76logP-0.23 (Ross

and Welch 1979. EPA-560/11-80-010)

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: BCF is estimated

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (60)

Species: other:centrtfged and decanted algal biomass

Exposure period: 12 day at 23 degree C

Concentration: 3 mg/l BCF: 6212

Elimination:
Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (76)

Species:

Exposure period: Concentration:

BCF: 66

Elimination:

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: The BCF is calculated using the equation log BCF =

0.85logP-0.70. The paper dealt with four organisms (2 fish,

daphnia and algae).

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (54)

3.8 Additional Remarks

Memo: Archived plough layer soil samples sewage sludge amended &

control plot were examined (every 5 yr after sludge

application for 30 yr). Levels in treated plot were slightly

elevated.

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (286)

Memo: Fate of 1,2-dcb in model waste stabilisation ponds: volatile

loss 21.8%, degradation 71.1%, sedimentation 3.8%, water

column residuals 0.9% a,d loss in effluent 2.4%.

Source: NICNAS

16-AUG-2001 (76)

DATE: 10-JUL-2003 ID: 95-50-1

Memo: Removal from groundwater via various Summary results: initial

concentration 5 ug/l, after steam stripping not detected, after activated carbon adsorption not detected, after biological treatment not detected, unchanged by metals

treatment.

Source: NICNAS

20-AUG-2001 (247)

Memo: Steam-tripping using raw groundwater. Raw water 5 ug/l,

dropped to < detection limit (ie not detected). Packed column

steam stripping using lime treated water: initial

concentration 260, dropped to <1 in run 1 and 3 in run 2.

Source: NICNAS

20-AUG-2001 (247)

Memo: Summaried environmental information and occurance is given in

this reference.

Source: NICNAS

23-AUG-2001 (110)

Memo: This book summaries data from a number of papers and reports

on environmental fate and exposure in all media; including

degradation, mobility and concentrations detected in the

environment and organisms. It does't present any original data

Source: NICNAS

20-MAY-2003 (130)

Memo: removal in complete-mix activated sludge: influent conc=83

mg/l, effluent conc=<0.05 mg/l, removal >99.9%, means of

removal 22% due to stripping and 78% due to biodegradation.

Source: NICNAS

13-AUG-2001 (141)

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4.1 Acute/Prolonged Toxicity to Fish

Type: flow through

Species: Brachydanio rerio (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring: yes

LC50: 5.2

Method: other: Fish, Acute Toxicity Test, OECD Guideline 203, 4.04.84

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Remark: Analytical monitoring: GC-FID

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (219)

Type: flow through

Species: Brachydanio rerio (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 14 day

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring: yes

NOEC: .37

Method: other: OECD 204: Fish, Prolonged Toxicity Test: 14-day Study

(4 April 1984)

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Remark: Analytical monitoring: GC-FID

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (219)

Type: flow through

Species: Salmo gairdneri (Fish, estuary, fresh water)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring: yes

LC50: 1.61

Method: other: flow through diluter

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Lake Superior water was used in test.

Result: 96 h 50% effect concentration (abnormal swimming behaviour),

EC50=1.55 mg/L

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (6)

Type: flow through

Species: Salmo gairdneri (Fish, estuary, fresh water)

Exposure period: 22 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring: yes

LC50: 1.65

Method: other: proportional diluter system (Mount and Brungs 1967)

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: The exposure period was extended to 144 hours and the LC50

was monitored: at 48h the LC50 reached 1.58 remaining constant throughout the 72h and 96h timepoints; LC50 was

maximal at the 144 h timepoint

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (56)

Type: flow through

Species: Salmo gairdneri (Fish, estuary, fresh water)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

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Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50: 1.58

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: measured concentration

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (50)

Type: semistatic

Species: Oryzias latipes (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: Analytical monitoring:

LC50: 67.6

Method: OECD Guide-line 203 "Fish, Acute Toxicity Test" Year: 1982 GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Results are given in paper as log LC50. Values presented

here are LC50.

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (296)

Type: static

Species: Cyprinodon variegatus (Fish, estuary, marine)

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50: 9.3

Method: other: Methods for acute toxicity tests with fish,

macroinvertebrates, and amphibians. US EPA 1975.

Year: 1975 GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (118)

Type: static

Species: Cyprinodon variegatus (Fish, estuary, marine)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

NOEC: 9.7 LC50: 9.7

Method: other: Methods for acute toxicity tests with fish,

macroinvertebrates, and amphibians. US EPA 1975.

Year: 1975 GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: All dilution water was filtered, natural seawater of ambient

salinity.

LC50 results calculated statistically

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (118)

Type: static

Species: Cyprinodon variegatus (Fish, estuary, marine)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50: 9.7

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: without aeration
Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

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24-AUG-2001 (50)

Type: static

Species: Lepomis macrochirus (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50: 5.6

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: 22 +/- 1 Grad C Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (50)

Type: static

Species: Leuciscus idus (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring: no

LC50: 29

Method: other: Bestimmung der Wirkung von Wasserinhaltsstoffen auf

Fische. DEV, L 15

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (50)

Type: static

Species: Pimephales promelas (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50: c 57 Method: other

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (71)

Type: static

Species: Pimephales promelas (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50: 57

Method: other:methods proposed by The committee on Methods for

Toxicity Tests

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: visibly insoluble at the ranges tested - chemical

administered in crystal form which sank o the bottom and remained undisolved. Deaths were observed throught the 96 h

period.

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (72)

Type: static

Species: Pimephales promelas (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50: 57

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

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Remark: 22 +/- 1 Grad C; nominal concentration

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (50)

Type: static

Species: Salmo gairdneri (Fish, estuary, fresh water)

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50: 2.3

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: closed system, 15 degree C

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (50)

Type:

Species: Brachydanio rerio (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50: 6.8

Method: other:IRSA 1973

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (54)

Type:

Species: Lepomis macrochirus (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 24 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50: c 6.3

Method: other: Methods for acute toxicity tests with fish,

macroinvertebrates, and amphibians. US EPA 1975

Year: 1975 GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (51)

Type:

Species: Lepomis macrochirus (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50: c 27

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (80)

Type:

Species: Menidia beryllina (Fish, estuary, marine)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50: c 7.3

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (80)

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ID: 95-50-1

Type:

Species: Oryzias latipes (Fish, fresh water)

Exposure period: 48

Analytical monitoring: Unit: mq/1

LC50: 10

Method: other: Japanese Industrial Standard (JIS K 0102-1986-71)

"Testing methods for industrial waste water"

Year:

Test substance:

Remark: water solubility < 10 mg/l

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (31)

Type:

Pimephales promelas (Fish, fresh water) Species:

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/lAnalytical monitoring:

LC50: 5.8

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Bayer AG Leverkusen Source:

24-AUG-2001 (50)

Type:

Salmo gairdneri (Fish, estuary, fresh water) Species:

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: mg/1Analytical monitoring:

LC50: 2.3

Method: other: IRSA 1973

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (54)

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Type:

Artemia sp. (Crustacea) Species:

Exposure period: 24 hour(s)

Unit: mmol/1Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 102

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (4)

Type: static

Species: Ceriodaphnia sp. (Crustacea)

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: umol/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 4.5

other: Standard Methods (Warne 1996) based on US EPA methods Method:

1993.

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Standard deviation range 3.0-6.7

Source: NICNAS

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ID: 95-50-1

Type:

Daphnia magna (Crustacea) Species:

Exposure period: 24 hour(s)

Unit: mq/1Analytical monitoring:

IC50 : .78

Method: other: AFNOR 1974

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Endpoint was immobilization, reported as IC50.

Source: NICNAS

30-JUL-2002 (54)

Type:

Daphnia magna (Crustacea) Species:

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

mg/1Analytical monitoring: Unit:

NOEC: .36 EC50: c 2.4

Method: other: Methods for acute toxicity tests with fish,

macroinvertebrates, and amphibians. US EPA 1975.

Year: 1975

Test substance:

LC50 results calculated statistically Remark:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (155)

Type: semistatic

Daphnia magna (Crustacea) Species:

Exposure period: 24 hour(s)

Unit: Analytical monitoring: mg/l

EC0: EC50: 1.7

Method: other: Provisional Procedure extended toxicology test with

Daphnia magna as of 1 January 1984 (Federal Evnironmental

Agency)

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (149)

Type:

Daphnia magna (Crustacea) Species:

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 26

Method: other: Standard Methods (Warne 1996) based on US EPA methods

1993.

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (220)

Species: Daphnia magna (Crustacea)

Exposure period: 21 day

Unit: mq/1Analytical monitoring:

NOEC:

Method: other: Verlaengerter Toxizitaetstest bei Daphnia magna

> (Bestimmung der NOEC fuer Reproduktionsrate, Mortalitaet und den Zeitpunkt des ersten Auftretens von Nachkommen, 21 d)

Stand: 01.01.1984

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Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: semi-static; closed vessels; nominal concentration

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (50)

Type:

Daphnia magna (Crustacea) Species:

Exposure period:

Unit: Analytical monitoring: mg/l

EC50: .74

Method: other: analogy of OECD proposed (1979) short-term toxicity

tests

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

LC50 = 2.2Result: NICNAS Source:

03-SEP-2001 (60)

Type:

Daphnia magna (Crustacea) Species:

Exposure period: 24 hour(s)

Unit: mg/1Analytical monitoring:

c 2.4 EC50:

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (155)

Type:

Daphnia magna (Crustacea) Species:

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: mmol/1Analytical monitoring:

EC50:

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (4)

Type:

Species: Daphnia magna (Crustacea)

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Analytical monitoring: Unit: mg/l

EC50: 25.7

Method:

GLP: Year:

Test substance:

Remark: In the paper the results are given as Log IC50 (ie log

IC50=1.41). The values here are IC50

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (121)

Type: other:QSAR

Species: Daphnia magna (Crustacea)

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: mg/1Analytical monitoring:

EC50: c 32.3

Method:

Year: GLP: 4. ECOTOXICITY DATE: 10-JUL-2003 ID: 95-50-1

Test substance:

Remark: The results are presented as log IC 50 in the paper (ie log

IC50 = 1.51). They are reported here as IC50.

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (121)

Type:

Species: Mysidopsis bahia (Crustacea)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50 : 1.97

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

09-JUL-2003 (262)

Type:

Species: Palaemonetes pugio (Crustacea)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

LC50: 10

Method: other: static

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: 22 +/- 1 Grad C, nominal concentration

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (50)

Type: static

Species: Palaemonetes pugio (Crustacea)

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 9.4

Method: other:methods proposed by The committee on Methods for

Toxicity Tests

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: visibly insoluble at the ranges tested - chemical

administered in crystal form which sank o the bottom and remained undisolved. Deaths were observed throught the 96 h

period.

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (72)

Type:

Species: other aquatic mollusc: Mercenaria mercenaria (hard clam) eggs

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: > 100

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Results in paper are TLm in ppm. They are estimated by

interpolation from experimental results.

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (77)

Type:

Species: other aquatic mollusc: Mercenaria mercenaria (hard clam)

larvae

4. ECOTOXICITY DATE: 10-JUL-2003 ID: 95-50-1

Exposure period: 12 day

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: > 100

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: - Results in paper are TLm in ppm. They are estimated by

interpolation from experimental results of exposure of

larvae to concentrations for 10 days.

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (77)

Type:

Species: other: Tanytarsus dissimilis (Midge)

Exposure period: 24 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring: yes

EC50: 19.9

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (56)

Type:

Species: other: Tanytarsus dissimilis (Midge)

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring: yes

EC50: 12

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (56)

4.3 Toxicity to Aquatic Plants e.g. Algae

Species: Scenedesmus pannonicus (Algae)

Endpoint: growth rate

Exposure period:

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 17

Method: other: analogy of OECD proposed (1979) short-term toxicity

tests

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (60)

Species: Scenedesmus subspicatus (Algae)

Endpoint: biomass
Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

Method: other: Scenedesmus-Zellvermehrungs-Hemmtest, DIN 38412

Teil 9, modif. Bestimmung der Hemmwirkung von

Wassernhaltsstoffen auf Gruenalgen

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: EBC10: 3.0 mg/l EBC50: 14 mg/l

Growth rate:

EuC10: 7.8 mg/l EuC50: 13.5 mg/l

OECD SIDS 1,2-DICHLOROBENZENE

4. ECOTOXICITY DATE: 10-JUL-2003 ID: 95-50-1

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (50)

Species: Scenedesmus subspicatus (Algae)

Endpoint: biomass
Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC10: 3 EC50: 14

Method: other:DIN 38 412, part 9 (draft standard)

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (148)

Species: Scenedesmus subspicatus (Algae)

Endpoint: growth rate Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC10: 7.8 EC50: 13.5

Method: other:DIN 38 412, part 9 (draft standard)

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (148)

Species: Selenastrum capricornutum (Algae)

Endpoint: growth rate
Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 2.2

Method: other: Galassi and Vighi (1981) modified version of US EPA

Algal assay procedure - bottle test 1971

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (54)

Species: Selenastrum capricornutum (Algae)

Endpoint: growth rate Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

ErC50: 98

EC50 chlorophyll i91.6rment :91.6

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

09-JUL-2003 (263)

Species: Selenastrum capricornutum (Algae) Endpoint: other: photosynthesis inhibition

Exposure period: 3 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 10

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (54)

4. ECOTOXICITY DATE: 10-JUL-2003 ID: 95-50-1

Species: Selenastrum capricornutum (Algae)

Endpoint:

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 91.6

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Criterion: effect on Chlorophyll a content

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (50)

Species: Selenastrum capricornutum (Algae)

Endpoint:

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

NOEC: < 10 EC50: 76.1 EC50: 71.1

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

09-JUL-2003 (263)

Species: Skeletonema costatum (Algae)

Endpoint:

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 44.2

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Criterion: effect on Chlorophyll a content

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (50)

Species: Skeletonema costatum (Algae)

Endpoint:

Exposure period: 96 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50 chlorophyll i44.2rment :44.2

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

09-JUL-2003 (263)

4.4 Toxicity to Microorganisms e.g. Bacteria

Type: aquatic

Species: Photobacterium phosphoreum (Bacteria)

Exposure period: 15 minute(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 3.1 5 min EC50: 2.7

Method: other: Microtox test

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

# 4. ECOTOXICITY DATE: 10-JUL-2003 ID: 95-50-1

01-JUL-2003 (215)

Type: aquatic

Species: Photobacterium phosphoreum (Bacteria)

Exposure period: 30 minute(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 4

Method: other: Microtox test

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

01-JUL-2003 (137)

Type: aquatic

Species: Pseudomonas fluorescens (Bacteria)

Exposure period: 24 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring: no

ECO: 250

Method: other: Determination of the biologically harmful effect of

toxic waste water to bacteria. DEV, L 8 (German Standard

Methods) (1968) modified

Year: 1973 GLP: no

Test substance:

Remark: direct weight

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (24)

Type: aquatic

Species: Pseudomonas putida (Bacteria)

Exposure period: 16 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring: no

TT: 15

Method: other: see remarks

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Remark: Method: cell multiplication inhibition test

Grenzwerte der Schadwirkung wassergefaehrdender Stoffe gegen Bakterien (Pseudomonas putida) und Gruenalgen (Scenedesmus quadricauda) im Zellvermehrungshemmtest. Bringmann, G., Kuehn, R.: Z. f. Wasser- und Abwasser-Forschung 10 (3/4),

87-98 (1977)

TT = Toxicity Threshold

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (50)

Type: aquatic

Species: other bacteria: Aerobic heterotrophic culture

Exposure period: 15 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

IC50: 910

Method: other: s. Authors of this publication

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Inhibition of respiration, prolonged incubation compared to

ISO 8192

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (32)

Type: other: Inhibition of N-oxidation Species: other bacteria: Nitrosomonas

Exposure period: 24 hour(s)

# 4. ECOTOXICITY DATE: 10-JUL-2003 ID: 95-50-1

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

IC50: 47

Method: other: Inhibition of nitrification, similar to ISO/DIS 9509

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (32)

Type: other: Inhibition of bioluminescence Species: Photobacterium phosphoreum (Bacteria)

Exposure period: 5 minute(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

IC50: 2.7

Method: other: Microtox

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (32)

Type: other: Inhibition of gas production Species: other bacteria: Methanogenic bacteria

Exposure period: 48 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

IC50 : 150

Method: other: Owen, W.F., Bioassay for Monitoring Biochemical Methane

Potential and Anaerobic Toxicity. Water Res. 13, 485 (1979)

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (32)

Type: other: Microtox system

Species: other bacteria: lyophilised preparation of a luminous marine

bacterium

Exposure period: 5 minute(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 10.25

Method: other: Microtox system

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (166)

Type:

Species: activated sludge

Exposure period: 3 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 100

Method: other: OECD TG, Activated sludge, respiration inhibition test,

draft 1.8.83, no 210.

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (297)

Type:

Species: Bacillus sp. (Bacteria)

Exposure period: 30 minute(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 169

Method:

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4. ECOTOXICITY DATE: 10-JUL-2003 ID: 95-50-1

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (159)

Type:

Species: Tetrahymena pyriformis (Protozoa)

Exposure period: 24 hour(s)

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 51

Method: other:new method devloped by authors

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: This paper presents the results of the validation of a new

screening test method.

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (298)

Type:

Species: Tetrahymena pyriformis (Protozoa)

Exposure period: 24 hour(s)

Unit: µmol/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: 350

Method: other:new method devloped by authors

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: This paper presents the results of the validation of a new

screening test method.

Source: NICNAS

03-JUL-2002 (298)

4.5 Chronic Toxicity to Aquatic Organisms

4.5.1 Chronic Toxicity to Fish

Species:
Endpoint:

Exposure period:

Unit: Analytical monitoring:

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance: 04-JUL-2001

4.5.2 Chronic Toxicity to Aquatic Invertebrates

Species: Daphnia magna (Crustacea)

Endpoint: mortality
Exposure period: 16 day

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: c 10.2 Method: other:QSAR

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: In the paper the results are given as Log IC50 (ie log

IC50=1.01). The values here are IC50

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (121)

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Species: Daphnia magna (Crustacea)

Endpoint: other: fertility

Exposure period: 14 day

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: .55
Method: other

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (54)

Species: Daphnia magna (Crustacea)

Endpoint: other: reporduction and mortality

Exposure period: 21 day

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

NOEC: .63 EC50: 3.5

Method: other: Provisional Procedure extended toxicology test with

Daphnia magna as of 1 January 1984 (Federal Evnironmental

Agency)

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (149)

Species: Daphnia magna (Crustacea)

Endpoint: reproduction rate

Exposure period: 16 day

Unit: mg/l Analytical monitoring:

EC50: c 3.2

Method: other: QSAR

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: In the paper the results are given as Log IC50 (ie log

IC50=0.51). The values here are IC50

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (121)

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4.6.1 Toxicity to Soil Dwelling Organisms

Type: other: clay loam agricultural soil

Species: other soil dwelling microorganisms: bacteria and fungi

Endpoint: other:viabililty

Exposure period: 56 day

Unit:

Method: other: soil microcosms

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Method: Microcosms consisted of 70g (dw) of sieved, dried agricultural

loam soil in 500 ml falsks. Moisture content was adjusted to 80% of field capacity, soil was mixed and then allowed to acclimatised for 7 days at room temperature. A single dose of 1,2-DCB was addedd to each microcosm. Concentrations used were 65,130, 325,1300 and 3250 ug/L. Three microcosms for each

treatment were used.

Fungal hyphal length was determined by vital staining with

fluorescein diacetate. This was determined at 7,14 and 49 days

after the addition of 1,2-DCB.

Viable and nonviable bacteria counts were determined with a

Baclight viability kit at 7, 14 and 49 days.

Bactrial culture counts and identifiaction was done on day 56

after 1,2-DCB addition

Result: Fungal hyhal length declined i n response to all applied

1,2-DCB concentrations (65,130, 325,1300 and 3250 ug/L).

Effect was rapid and recovery was insignificant.

With increasing 1,2-DCB concentration total bacterial counts

declined, not significantly except for 3250  $\ensuremath{\text{ug/L}}.$ 

Anaylsis of bacterial culturability and identification indicated that with addition of increasing 1,2-DCB

concentration had no impact on the total number or rate of

colony development. Significantly greater counts of

pseudomonads occurred with 1,2-DCB concentrations 65,130, and  $325~\rm ug/L$  (ie two orders of magnitude greater than control). Analysis of bacterial taxa composition indicated an increase in the percentage of pseudomonads and Bacillus and a decrease numbers of Arthrobacter and Micrococcus in in soil exposed to

levels of 1,2-DCB of 325 ug/L and greater.

Source: NICNAS

16-MAY-2003 (254)

Type: other: sieved agricultural soil Species: soil dwelling microorganisms

Endpoint:

Exposure period:

Unit: Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Method: Two experiments were under taken:

Experiment 1.

Examined the effect of 1,2-DCB and root addition on the size

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and diversity of the soil microbial biomass. Microcosms in 500 ml screw cap conical flasks with Teflon lined lids, each contained 70 g (dry weight) of clay loam, agricultural soil and a moisture content of 80% were established. The soil was dosed with either 10 or 50 ug/g of 1,2-DCB. Controls without the addition of 1,2-DCB were also set-up. Six (6) grams of grass roots were added to half the microcosms. The microcosms were incubated at 20 C for 14 days. At 14 days soil samples were analysed for total fungal hyphal length by vital staining with fluorescein and the number of viable and non-viable bacterial numbers by the Baclight viability kit.

### Experiment 2.

Determine the time course of microbial biomass response to 1,2-DCB and root addition. Microcosms in 500 ml screw cap conical flasks with Teflon lined lids with 100 g (dry weight) of clay loam, agricultural soil and moisture content of 80% were set-up. Six (6) grams of grass roots were added to half the microcosms. The dosage was 10 ug/g of 1,2-DCB. The experimental design was factorial giving four treatments: with and without roots and with and without 1,2-DCB. Two series of the experiment were set-up, with one using C14 labelled

1,2-DCB. Mineralisatio of the label was determined by the use of a KOH trap.

The number and diversity of culturable bacteria in the soil under each treatment was determined in both experiments. Experiment 1:

In the presence of roots and 1,2-DCB vital bacterial numbers increased slightly. Without roots but with 1,2-DCB there was a 50% decrease in vital bacterial numbers. The presence of roots appeared to buffer the inhibitory effects of 1,2-DCB. The presence of 1,2-DCB did not effect the fungal hyphal length in the absence of roots. However, the presence of roots greatly increased vital hyphal lengths (by three fold). Without roots the addition of 1,2,DCB at 10 ug/g increased the number of culturable bacteria by an order of magnitude; the addition of 50 ug/g of 1,2-DCB lead to a increase of more than two fold. The number of culturable bacteria in the soil with roots and

# Experiment 2:

1,2-DCB dropped by up to 50%.

The presence of decaying root matter stimulated the decay of 1,2-DCB. The mineralisation rates with and without roots were similar initally but over time the difference grew until on day 28 the mineralisation in the presence of roots was 100% greater.

The presence of decaying root matter greatly increased bacterial and fungal biomass, leading to an enhanced ability to utilise diverse carbon sources by the soil community. The psuedomonads count, total and culturable bacterial counts increase in the presence of 1,2-DCB.

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19-MAY-2003 (167)

Type: other: silt loam with 1.49% organic carbon

Species: soil dwelling microorganisms

Endpoint: other:soil microbial respiration (formation of carbon dioxide)

Exposure period: 6 day

Unit:

Source:

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Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Result: Temperature was 20 C with the treatment concentration of 1g/kg

or 1,2-DCB.

There was a reduction of CO2 generation over the first few days, especially for the soil with higher organic carbon content. By day 4-6 the difference between the treated soils

and the control was not significant.

Source: NICNAS

14-MAY-2003 (284)

# 4.6.2 Toxicity to Terrestrial Plants

Species: other terrestrial plant: Spinach Endpoint: other: inhibition of the Hill reaction

Expos. period:

Unit: Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: The extent of inhibition increased as hydrophobic nature of

toxicant increased and water solubility decreased.

Source: NICNAS

01-JUL-2003 (300)

# 4.6.3 Toxicity to other Non-Mamm. Terrestrial Species

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# 4.7 Biological Effects Monitoring

Memo: Eggs and 2 day old larvae of Mercenaria mercenaria (hard clam)

were exposed to various concentrations for 10 days.

observations were made on egg development, larvae survival and

increase in length of larvae.

Source: NICNAS

20-AUG-2001 (77)

# 4.8 Biotransformation and Kinetics

### 4.9 Additional Remarks

Memo: 1,2-DCB toxicity in algae

Remark: Cyclotella meneghiniana (diatom) (strain CyOH2); 48 h

EC50 = 23.33 mg/l toxicity parameter: measurement of DNA reduction static, 15 +/- 1 degree C, 16:8 h light:dark

schedule at 100 uE/m2s, Woods-Hole algal medium

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (84)

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5.1 Acute Toxicity

5.1.1 Acute Oral Toxicity

Type: LD50 Species: rat Strain:

Sex:
Number of
Animals:
Vehicle:

Value: = 1000 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (171)

Type: LD50 Species: rat

Strain:
Sex:
Number of
 Animals:
Vehicle:

Value: = 1516 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (179)

Type: LD50
Species: rat
Strain:

Sex:
Number of
Animals:
Vehicle:

Value: = 5170 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (304)

Type: LD50 Species: rat

Strain:
Sex:
Number of
Animals:
Vehicle:

Value: = 2138

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: Molecular connectivity indices provided a closer

relationship to toxicity than physicochemical parameters;

application of both physicochemical and molecular

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connectivity indices however provided the best correlation

Source: NICNAS

10-SEP-2001 (92)

Type: LD50
Species: mouse
Strain:

Sex:
Number of
 Animals:
Vehicle:

Value: = 2000 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (271)

Type: LD50 Species: rabbit

Strain:
Sex:
Number of
 Animals:
Vehicle:

Value: = 500 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: the route of application is not specified; probably the

test substance was orally administered

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (255)

Type: LD50 Species: rabbit

Strain:
Sex:
Number of
 Animals:
Vehicle:

Value: = 1875 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (271)

Type: LD50

Species: guinea pig

Sex: Number of Animals: Vehicle:

Value: = 3375 mg/kg bw

Method:

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Strain:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (271)

5. TOXICITY DATE: 10-JUL-2003 ID: 95-50-1

Type: LD0

Species: guinea pig

Strain:
Sex:
Number of
Animals:
Vehicle:

Value: = 1000 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (3)

Type: LD100 Species: guinea pig

Strain:

Sex: male/female

Number of

Animals: 10

Vehicle: other: olive oil (by intubation as a 50% solution)

Value:  $\leq 2000 \text{ mg/kg bw}$ 

Method:

Year: GLP: no Test substance: other TS: purity: at least 99 %

Remark: All 800 mg/kg bw dosed animals survived; all 2000 mg/kg bw

dosed animals died

Source: NICNAS

10-SEP-2001 (129)

Type: LD100 Species: guinea pig

Strain:
Sex:
Number of
 Animals:
Vehicle:

Value: = 2000 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (3)

5.1.2 Acute Inhalation Toxicity

Type: LC100 Species: rat

Sex:
Number of
 Animals:
Vehicle:

Strain:

Exposure time: 4 hour(s)
Value: = 9.5 mg/l

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (274)

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Type: LC50 Species: rat

Strain:
Sex:
Number of
Animals:
Vehicle:

Exposure time: 6 hour(s)
Value: = 1532 ppm

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: 99 %
Remark: LC50: ca. 9.38 mg/1

signs of toxicity: hypotension, somnolence, lacrimation; retarded body weight gain up to day 14 of the observation period; autopsy of the surviving animals on day 14 of the observation period without observable findings in lung,

liver or kidney

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (34)

Type: LC50 Species: rat

Strain:
Sex:
Number of
 Animals:
Vehicle:

Exposure time: 4 hour(s)
Value: = 8.15 mg/l

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (273)

Type: LC50 Species: mouse

Strain:

Sex: female

Number of
 Animals:
Vehicle:

Exposure time: 6 hour(s)
Value: = 1236 ppm

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: 99 % Remark: LC50: ca. 7.43 mg/1

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (34) (35)

Type: other: Acute airborne sensory irritation study in mice

Species: mouse
Strain: Swiss
Sex: male
Number of

Number of

Animals: 6

Vehicle: other: heat or bubbling air to vapourise the test substance

Exposure time: 5 minute(s)
Value: = 182 ppm

# OECD SIDS

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Method: other: Collecting on a solid adsorbant Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: no data

Remark: 1,2-DCB at 182 ppm reduced the respiratory rate by 50%

(RD50)

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (81)

5.1.3 Acute Dermal Toxicity

5.1.4 Acute Toxicity, other Routes

Type: LD50 Species: rat

Strain:
Sex:
Number of
 Animals:
Vehicle:

Route of admin.: i.p.

Value: = 840 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (222) (304)

Type: LD50 Species: rat

Strain: other: F344 and Sprague-Dawley

Sex: male

Number of

Animals: 4

Vehicle: other: corn oil

Route of admin.: i.p.

Value: 1.66 - 1.76 ml/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance: no data Source: NICNAS

03-SEP-2001 (151)

Type: LD50
Species: mouse
Strain: NMRI
Sex: male

Number of Animals:

Vehicle: no data Route of admin.: i.p.

Value: = 1228 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: 99 %

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (174)

Type: other: Acute Toxicity

Species: rat
Strain: Wistar
Sex: male

Number of

Animals: 4

Vehicle: other: arachidis oil

Route of admin.: i.p.

Value: Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: 1,2-DCB (all doses) resulted in significant body weightloss

after 3 days; the relative liver weight wassignificantly increased and a rise in plasma ALT levels wasobservable at

all doses; after 72 hours, distincttreatment-related

histopathological changes in the liverwere observable which were characterized by centrilobularhypertrophy and by hepatocellular degeneration and fibrosis(all doses); no change in the relative kidney weight or anytreatment-related histopathological findings; 1 and 2mmol/kg bw dosed animals at the same time point revealed asignificant decrease in plasma total T4 and T3 levels, although alterations in hepatic thyroxine cannot bediscounted as a mechanism for

reduced levels of plasmathyroid hormone

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Exposure Period: 24, 48, and 72h

Frequency of Treatment: once

Post Exposure Obs: Renal: Body and organ (kidney and liver)weight, liver histopathology, liver alanine

asparagineaminotransferase (ALT), kidney glutathione (GSH),

plasmablood urea nitrogen (BUN), and plasma thyroid hormonesthyroxine (T4) and triiodothyronine (T3) levels

10-SEP-2001 (88)

Type: LD50 Species: rat

Strain:
Sex:
Number of
Animals:
Vehicle:

Route of admin.: s.c.

Value: 5000 - 10000 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: no data
Test substance: other TS: purity: 98 % (technical substance)

Remark: mortality: 0/3 at 5000 mg/kg bw and 3/3 at 10000 mg/kg bw

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (5)

5.2 Corrosiveness and Irritation

5.2.1 Skin Irritation

Species: rabbit

Concentration: undiluted

Exposure:

Exposure Time: .5 minute(s)

Number of

Animals: 2

PDII: Result:

ult: slightly irritating

EC classificat.:

Method: other: after about 30 seconds one eye was flushed for 2

minutes with flowing water; the eyes were examined after 2,

24, 48 or 168 hours

Year: GLP: no

Test substance: other TS: purity: at least 99%

Remark: undiluted 1,2-DCB caused slight to moderate pain and slight

conjuctival irritation clearing completely within 7 days;

irrigation reduced pain and conjunctival irritation

Source: NICNAS

10-SEP-2001 (129)

Species: rabbit

Concentration:

Exposure:
Exposure Time:
Number of
Animals:
PDII:

Result: slightly irritating

EC classificat.:

Method: other: exposure time: 24 hours, intact skin, observation

period: 7 days (the experiment was performed according to the

recommended guideline of ETAD)

Year: GLP:

Test substance: other TS: o-dichlorobenzene, chemically pure (no further data)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

03-SEP-2001 (25)

Species: rabbit

Concentration:

Exposure:
Exposure Time:
Number of

Animals: PDII:

Result: moderately irritating

EC classificat.:

Method: other: exposure time: 72 hours, site of application: intact or

abraded back skin, dose: 0.5 ml/animal, semi-occlusive;

observations were made after 24 and 72 hours

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

03-SEP-2001 (1)

Species: rabbit

Concentration: .5 undiluted

Exposure: Semiocclusive

Exposure Time: 4 hour(s)

Number of

Animals: 6

PDII: Result:

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EC classificat.:

Method: other: scored according to Draize Test Year:

Test substance:

The study provided no individual animal data and Draize Remark:

scores were not provided

Result: Slight to moderate erythema and oedema were noted up to 72 h

post exposure to 1,2-DCB; the effects lessened by 120 h and

disappeared altogether by 168 h post exposure.

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Concentration of 1,2-DCB was 0.5 mL of undiluted sample;

6 rabbits were tested (3 of each sex)

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5.2.2 Eye Irritation

Species: rabbit

Concentration:

Dose:

Exposure Time: Comment: Number of Animals:

Result: slightly irritating

EC classificat.:

Method: other: eyes not rinsed, observation period: 7 days (the

experiment was performed according to the guideline of ETAD)

Year: GLP:

Test substance: other TS: o-dichlorobenzene, chemically pure (no further data)

Remark: slight conjunctival effects were observable up to 2 days

after application

Bayer AG Leverkusen Source:

24-AUG-2001 (25)

Species: rabbit

Concentration:

Dose:

Exposure Time: Comment: Number of Animals:

Result:

slightly irritating

EC classificat.:

Method: other: eyes not rinsed, observation period: 7 days

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

conjunctival effects persisted throughout the 7-day observ-Remark:

ation period

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (2)

5.3 Sensitization

Type: other Species: rabbit

Number of Animals: Vehicle:

Result:

Classification:

Method: other: rabbits were exposed via inhalation to

o-dichlorobenzene at a concentration of 0.05 mg/l for 7 months

(5 days a week, 4 hours daily)

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: sensitization became obvious at early stages of poisoning

in the absence of any pointers to systemic toxic action; as the signs of intoxication developed, allergic tests became negative but again took on a positive value closer to the cessation of experiment; o-dichlorobenzene triggered the production of antibodies to erythrocyte lysate and of antitissue antibodies to autoantigenes from the renal tis-

sue (no further data)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (236)

5.4 Repeated Dose Toxicity

Species: rat Sex: male

Strain: Sprague-Dawley Route of admin.: inhalation Exposure period: 2d or 4d

Frequency of

treatment: 6 h/d

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 309 ppm (= ca. 1.86 mg/l) Control Group: other: clean filtered air

LOAEL: =

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: >99.0 %

Remark: liver damage was investigated in the rats using serum en-

zyme activities measurements

Result: significant increase in the serum activities of glutamate

dehydrogenase (4d) and sorbitol dehydrogenase (2d and 4d); serum activities of glutamic oxaloacetic transaminase and glutamic pyruvic transaminase not significantly changed

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (45)

Species: rat Sex: male/female

Strain: no data
Route of admin.: inhalation
Exposure period: 6 to 7 months

Frequency of

treatment: 7 h/d, 5 d/w

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 49 ppm (=ca. 0.3 mg/l) and 93 ppm (= ca. 0.57 mg/l)

Control Group: other: air exposed control (for 93 ppm only)

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance: other TS: purity: at least 99 %

Result: Exposure to 1,2-DCB at 49 ppm revealed no adverse effects as

determined by average body and organ weight, gross appearance, behaviour, growth, mortality, and gross and

microscopic examination of tissues; at the highest dose

studied (93 ppm) average body weight and spleen weight

decreased decreased

Source: NICNAS

05-SEP-2001 (129)

Species: rat Sex: no data

Strain: no data
Route of admin.: inhalation
Exposure period: 4 months

Frequency of

treatment: 4 h/d, 6 d/w

Post. obs.

period: no data
Doses: 0.2 mg/l

Control Group: no data specified

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Result: changes of neurodynamics in the cerebral cortex were ob-

servable, as the relationships among principal neural processes were impaired, inhibition was enhanced and sti-

mulation weakened

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (272)

Species: rat Sex: no data

Strain: no data
Route of admin.: inhalation
Exposure period: 9 months

Frequency of

treatment: no data

Post. obs.

period: no data
Doses: 0.001 mg/l

Control Group: no data specified

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Result: the treatment modified conditioned activity of the rats by lowering the induction of conditioned reflexes, lengthening their latent period, making reflex eliminations more frequent and, in broad, upsetting the balance of

stimulation and inhibition processes in the brain cortex

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (269)

Species: rat Sex: male

Strain: Wistar Route of admin.: gavage Exposure period: 7 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: no data

Doses: 500 mg/kg bw/d Control Group: no data specified

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Result: an induction of hyaline droplet accumulation in the renal

cortex of the treated rats was not detectable

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (33)

Species: rat Sex: male

Strain: Fischer 344
Route of admin.: gavage
Exposure period: 6 or 7 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 0.8 or 2.0 mmol/kg bw/d (= 118 or 294 mg/kg bw/d)

Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: 99.0 %

Result: no significant increase in renal protein droplet formation

was observed; incorporation of 3H-thymidine into

renal DNA, a biochemical measurement of cell proliferation, was not significantly increased compared to control values

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (63) (64)

Species: rat Sex: female

Strain: Wistar
Route of admin.: gavage
Exposure period: 1, 3 or 5 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 500 mg/kg bw/d

Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Result: the porphyrin content in the Harderian gland increased considerably at 1 day after administration, but returned to

control values at 5 days post administration; there was no

effect on the activity of Harderian gland

delta-aminolevulinic acid-synthetase, while hepatic

delta-aminolevulinic acid-synthetase activity was increased

2-3 times the normal level; no changes in the

delta-aminolevulinic acid-dehydratase activity in the liver or in the Harderian gland were observable up to 5 days after administration; the relative liver weight increased during duration of treatment, whereas the relative weight

of the Harderian gland remained unaffected

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (93)

Species: rat Sex: male

Strain: Wistar Route of admin.: gavage Exposure period: 7 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 500 mg/kg bw/d

Control Group: yes, concurrent no treatment

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: the urine was collected on day 7 and tested for presence of rat urinary kidney-derived antigens ("RUA") and of LDH Result: in untreated rats antigen excretion was within the normal property alignment of the property of the propert

mal range; slightly to moderately enhanced urinary excretion of most of the antigens was seen after application of o-dichlorobenzene; urinary level of LDH was in the normal range after application of o-dichlorobenzene

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (96)

Species: rat Sex: female

Strain: no data Route of admin.: gavage Exposure period: 192 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily, 5 d/w

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 18.8, 188 or 376 mg/kg bw/d Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance: other TS: purity: at least 99 %

Remark: the animals received a total of 138 doses in 192 days
Result: all dose groups: no adverse effect on growth or mortality at
all dose levels: at 188 mg/kg and 376 mg/kg, significant
increase in the average weight of liver and kidneys: at 376

increase in the average weight of liver and kidneys: at 376 mg/kg a significant decrease in splenic wieght;

microscopical findings: slight to moderate cloudy swelling

of the liver

Source: NICNAS

05-SEP-2001 (129)

Species: rat Sex: male

Strain: other: Albino

Route of admin.: gavage Exposure period: 15 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: no data

Doses: 450 mg/kg bw/d

Control Group: yes

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Remark: 1,2-DCB increased hepatic levels of coproporphyrin,

protoporphyrin and uroporphyrin; decreased hepatic activity of catalase; histologic examination revealing severe liver damage with intense necrosis and fatty change over large

areas NICNAS

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (217)

Species: rat Sex: male/female

Strain: Sprague-Dawley

Route of admin.: gavage Exposure period: 10 d

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treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period:

Doses: 37.5, 75, 150 or 300 mg/kg bw/d

yes, concurrent vehicle Control Group:

= 75 mg/kg bwLOAEL: = 150 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: yes

Test substance: other TS: purity: 99 %

At 300 mg/kg bw/day a decrease in male total body weight Remark:

gain and absolute organ weight (heart, kidneys, spleen, testes and thymus) were observed; significant increase (p <0.05) in absolute and relative liver weights and the development of hepatocellular necrosis was evident; plasma ALT levels were significantly elevated after treatment with 300 mg/kg bw for both sexes while for females, cholesterol levels were elevated at all doses

compared with controls; leukocytosis was present in males at 150 and 300 mg/kg bw while the absolute and relative weights of female livers increased at these doses; spleen weights decreased only at 300 mg/kg bw; histopathological findings showed presence of slight hepatocellular lesions (40% of

males treated with 300mg/kg bw)

Source: NICNAS

05-SEP-2001 (218)

Species: rat Sex: male/female

Strain: Sprague-Dawley

Route of admin .: gavage Exposure period: 90 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 25, 100 or 400 mg/kg bw/d Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

NOAEL: = 25 mg/kg bwLOAEL: = 100 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: yes other TS: purity: 99 %

Test substance:

At 400 mg/kg bw per day a significant decrease (p < 0.05) Remark:

> it total body weight gain was observed for males but not females; significant increases (p < 0.05) in absolute and relative liver weights occurred for both sexes at 100 and 400 mg/kg bw and absolute and relative kidney weights were increased at 400 mg/kg bw for both sexes and absolute kidney weights increased for females at 100 mg/kg bw; plasma ALT levels were elevated at 100 and 400 mg/kg bw in the male but the female levels did not reach significance; In both sexes: an increase in bilirubin occurred at the

highest dose; noevidence of leukocytosis or other

haematological change; histopathological findings included centrilobular degeneration, centrilobular hypertrophy and

evidence of apoptosis at 400 mg/kg bw

Statistical Methods:

ANOVA (body weights, organ weights, organ weight ratios, food and water consumption, haematology, and clinical chemistry); treatment related effects measured by the Dunnett's t-test (control v. treatment); non-normally

distributed data by the Kruskal-Wallis test (between dose-groups); Fisher's Trend Test and Logrank Test (histopathology)

#### Result:

#### -Body weight

At 400 mg/kg bw per day a significant decrease (p  $\leq$  0.05) in total body weight gain was observed for males but not females compared to controls.

#### -Serum clinical chemistry

Plasma ALT levels were significantly elevated (p <= 0.05) at 100 and 400 mg/kg bw in males compared to controls however levels in females did not reach significance; increased bilirubin (p £ 0.05) occurred at the highest dose in both sexes. BUN was significantly increased (p <= 0.05) in 400 mg/kg dosed males compared to controls.

### -Haematology

No evidence of leukocytosis or other haematological changes for either  $\ensuremath{\operatorname{sex}}$ .

-Mortality and time to death all animals survived treatment period

#### -Organ weight changes

Significant increases in absolute and relative liver weights occurred for both sexes at 100~mg/kg bw and 400~mg/kg bw compared to controls and absolute and relative kidney weights were increased at 400~mg/kg bw for both sexes compared to controls. Absolute kidney weights increased for females at 100~mg/kg bw.

## -Histopathology

Treatment-related hepatocellular changes in 400 mg/kg d treated males and females consisted of statistically significant (p £ 0.05) increases in centrilobular degeneration, centrilobular hypertrophy and evidence of single cell necrosis at 400 mg/kg bw for both sex NICNAS

#### Source:

## Test condition:

The oral toxicity of 1,2-DCB for male and female Sprague-Dawley rats were assessed following exposure to 0,25, 100 or 400 mg/kg bw per day for 90 days by gavage;

## Test Subjects:

- Age at study initiation: 80 d (OECD guideline specifies less than 56 d for a
   90 d subchronic study.)
- $\cdot$  No. of animals: 80 animals divided into 4 treatment groups (10/sex/dose)
- · Clinical observations performed: Both sexes: body weight and food consumption; opthalmoscopic examination prior to and during last week. Haematological parameters consisting of hemoglobin (Hgb), hematocrit (Hct), red blood cell (RBC) count, white blood cell (WBC) count, mean cell volume,

platelet count, differential leukocyte count and cell morphology.

Serum clinical chemistry performed:
 Serum clinical chemistry consisting of alanine
 aminotransferase (ALT), aspartate aminotransferase (AST),

lactate dehydrogenase (LDH), serum cholesterol (Chol), phosphorus (P), calcium (Ca), glucose (Glu), blood urea nitrogen (BUN), and creatinine (Creat), sodium (Na), potassium (K), total protein (TP), albumin (ALB), total bilirubin (TB), and alkaline phosphatase (ALKP).

· Organs grossly examined at necropsy:

Weighed and examined brain, liver spleen, lungs, thymus kidneys, adrenal glands, heart, and testes/ovaries; examined gross lesions, skin mammary glands, clitoral or preputial glands, mandibular and mesenteric lymph nodes, thigh muscle, sciatic nerve, sternebrae, femur, duodenum, ileum, jejunum, salivary gland, colon, cecum, rectum, pancreas, urinary bladder, seminal vesicles, prostate, nasal cavity (with turbinates), pituitary, and Zymbal's gland of each animal.

Conclusion: In the SD rat the critical endpoints following 90 day

exposure to 1,2-DCB at subchronic oral doses are hepatic and renal effects and related clinical chemistry changes. The NOAEL was 25 mg/kg bw per day and the LOAEL 100 mg/kg bw (based upon increased absolute and relative liver weight in males and females; increased palsma ALT levels in males)

07-SEP-2001 (218)

Species: rat Sex: male/female

Strain: other: F344/N

Route of admin.: gavage Exposure period: 14 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: 6 d

Doses: 60, 125, 250, 500 or 1000 mg/kg bw/d

Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: >99 %

Remark: At the highest dose studied (1000 mg/kg bw) 100%

mortality was observed by day 5 while 500 mg/kg bw resulted

in reduced body weight gain (-12%)

Source: NICNAS

10-SEP-2001 (190)

Species: rat Sex: male/female

Strain: other: F344/N

Route of admin.: gavage Exposure period: 13 w

Frequency of

treatment: 5 d/w

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 30, 60, 125, 250 or 500 mg/kg bw/d

Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

NOAEL: = 60 mg/kg bwLOAEL: = 125 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: >99 %

Result: all dose groups: dose-related increase in liver weights with

significant increases in liver weight/body weight ratios at

125 mg/kg and above; slight and generally dose-related

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increases in serum cholesterol, triglycerides and total proteins may be indicative of hepatic effects; minimal changes in haematology and clinical chemistry parameters; 24 h urine volume increased 57% over controls in males; 3-5 times the urinary concentration of uroporphyrin and coproporphyrin in males and females than in controls; microscopy findings: at 500 mg/kg bw moderate centrolobular hepatocellular necrosis, centrolobular hepatic degeneration or necrosis of individual hepatocytes found in 7/8 of surviving females and 8/10 males; renal tubular degeneration in 6/10 males and thymic lymphoid depletion in 4/10 males

Source: NICNAS

10-SEP-2001 (190)

Species: rat Sex: male/female

Strain: other: F344/N

Route of admin.: gavage Exposure period: 103 w

Frequency of

treatment: 5 d/w

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 60 or 120 mg/kg bw/d Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

NOAEL: = 120 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: >99 %

Remark:

-Body weight

High-dosed male rats showed an immediate slight decrease in body weight gain at week-1 (-3%) which persisted at weeks 22 and 60 (-5%) recovering at week 99 (-1%), while females experienced an increase in weight gain (+3 to +11%) for the same period. These changes were not statistically significant.

-Mortality and time to death

In males 8/50 controls, 14/50 low dose and 31/50 high dosed animals died. At the highest dose, male rats exhibited a significant decrease (p < 0.001) in survival, however, five of these deaths were accidental and twelve others were attributed to handling/gavage errors. The survival of female rats was similar to control animals (19/50 controls, 17/50 low dose and 18/50 high dose females died.)

-Histopathology

Histological examination in both sexes revealed no increase in non-neoplastic lesions in the liver, kidney, bone marrow,

spleen, thymus or other organs.

Although the incidence of pheochromocytoma in males was increased in the low-dose group (16/50) the high-dose incidence (6/49) was lower than the control animals (9/50)

with no significant dose-response trend being evide

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Test Subjects:

 $\cdot$  Age at study initiation: 7 wks.

· No. of animals per sex per dose: 50 per dose group.

Dose: Hepatic necrosis in 250 mg/kg dosed males in a

thirteen-week study was considered potentially

> life-shortening and therefore precluded from inclusion in the two-year study.

Study Design:

- · Satellite group: 15 sentinel animals/sex
- · Clinical observations performed: body weight; clinical pathology
- · Organs examined at necropsy:

macroscopic: all major tissues or organs including eyes,

thigh muscle, and spinal chord.

microscopic: tissue masses, abnormal lymph nodes, mammary gland, salivary gland, bone marrow, sternebrae, femur or vertebrae, thymus, trachea, lungs and bronchi, heart, thyroid, parathyroid, esophageus, stomach, small intestine, colon, liver, pancreas, spleen, kidneys, adrenals, urinary bladder, prostate/testes or ovaries/uterus, brain, and pituitary, eyes, thigh muscle, and spinal chord (only if grossly abnormal).

Conclusion:

Non-neoplastic Effects:

NOAEL (male & female): 120 mg/kg bw/day

LOAEL (male & female) no treatment-related pathologies

observed at any dose

Under the conditions of the study, 1,2-DCB was not

considered to be carcinogenic in rats;

05-SEP-2001 (190)

Species: Sex: male rat

Strain: no data Route of admin .: gavage Exposure period: 9 months

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: no data

0.001, 0.01 or 0.1 mg/kg bw/d Doses:

Control Group: other: yes, concurrent vehicle (sunflower oil)

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Result:

0.001 mg/kg bw/d: no toxic effects; 0.01 mg/kg bw/d: similar but less pronounced effects as seen in the 0.1 mg/kg bw/d-group (no further data) 0.1 mg/kg bw/d: inhibition of higher nervous activity; statistically significant inhibition of erythropoiesis; thrombocytosis; inhibition of mitotic activity in the bone marrow; neutropenia; marked increase of 17-ketosteroids in the urine; increase in the weight coefficient of the adrenals; reduced vitamin C concentration in the adrenals; increase in the blood serum activity of alkaline phosphatase and transaminase; decrease in the SH groups in whole blood; markedly reduced levels of alkaline phosphatase and moderately increased levels of acid phosphatase in the liver and kidneys; decrease in the hepatic and renal concentrations of

di-triphosphopyridinenucleotides (DPN and TPN), succinic

dehydrogenase, glucose-6-phosphatase and

alpha-glycerophosphate in the liver and kidneys; increase in

gamma globulin (no data provided)

Source: NICNAS

05-SEP-2001 (270

Species: rat Sex: female

Strain: Wistar

Route of admin.: oral unspecified

Exposure period: 3 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 250 mg/kg bw/d

Control Group: other: yes, concurrent vehicle (2% tragacanth gum solution)

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Result: Significant increase in the relative liver weight; hepatic

glycogen and triglyceride contents not significantly

affected; significant increase in hepatic microsomal protein content; no significant change of the hepatic cytochrome

P-450 or cytochrome b5 content; effects on hepatic drug-metabolizing enzymes: activity of aminopyrine

demethylase and of delta-aminolevulinic acid synthetase was significantly enhanced, activity of aniline hydroxylase not

significantly changed

Source: NICNAS

05-SEP-2001 (11) (12)

Species: rat Sex: no data

Strain: no data

Route of admin.: oral unspecified Exposure period: 60 d or 120 d

Frequency of

treatment: no data

Post. obs.

period: no data
Doses: no data

Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Result: slightly increased liver weights; increased triglyceride levels; decrease in the level of ATP in the liver; decrease in the respiratory control of liver mitochondria in state 3 respiration, increase in the respiratory con-

trol of liver mitochondria in state 4 respiration

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (175)

Species: rat Sex: male

Strain: other: COBS-CD (SD) Br

Route of admin.: s.c. Exposure period: 16 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 40, 200 or 1000 mg/kg bw/d

Control Group: yes

NOAEL: = 40 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: yes

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other TS: purity: 98 % Test substance:

Result: all dose levels: no myelotoxic or cytogenetic effects

(no significant chromosomal damage to bone marrow cells

observable)

200 and 1000 mg/kg bw/d: significant increases in relative

liver weights

1000 mg/kg bw/d: increased mortality and decreased body

weight gain

Bayer AG Leverkusen Source:

24-AUG-2001 (214)

Species: mouse Sex: male

Strain: Swiss Route of admin.: inhalation

Exposure period: 4 d, 9 d or 14 d

Frequency of

treatment: 6 h/d, 5 d/w

Post. obs.

period: nο

Doses: 64 and 163 ppm (385 and 980 mg/m3 respectively)

Control Group: other: air-exposed control

Method:

GLP: Year:

Test substance: other TS: purity: 99%

Result: Olfactory epithelium in the dorsal meatus affected by

lesions at all doses; complete loss of olfactory epithelium, leaving only the partly denuded basement membrane; lesion severity graded as very severe at 4 d exposure, severe at 9

d exposure, moderate at 14 day exposure; respiratory epithelium remianed unaffected as did the trachea & lungs

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (303)

Species: mouse Sex: male/female

Strain: B6C3F1 Route of admin.: gavage Exposure period: 14 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: 2 d

250, 500, 1000, 2000 or 4000 mg/kg bw/d Doses:

Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

LOAEL: = 250 mg/kg bw

Method:

GLP: no data Year:

Test substance: other TS: purity >99 %

groups of five male and five female mice were used Remark:

Most of the treated animals died; 250 mg/kg bw/d: hepatic Result:

necrosis in 1/3 females examined; hepatocellular

degeneration in 1/3 males examined; 500 mg/kg bw/d: hepatic

necrosis in 3/3 males examined

Source: NICNAS

10-SEP-2001 (190)

Species: mouse Sex: male/female

Strain: B6C3F1 Route of admin .: gavage Exposure period: 14 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: 2 d

Doses: 30, 60, 125, 250 or 500 mg/kg bw/d

Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

NOAEL: = 60 mg/kg bwLOAEL: = 125 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: >99 %

Remark: groups of five male and five female mice were used; tissues

of 4 high dose male and females were examined histologically

Result: all dose groups: mean body weights comparable among

groups

125 mg/kg bw/d: death of one female animal

500 mg/kg bw/d: death of one male animal; results of histological examination: mild hepatocellular necrosis in 2/4 males, moderate focal hepatic necrosis in 1/4 females, mild multifocal hepatitis in 1/4 females, mild cytomegaly and karyomegaly in 2/4 females, hepatocellular

degeneration in 1/4 females

Source: NICNAS

10-SEP-2001 (190)

Species: mouse Sex: male/female

Strain: B6C3F1
Route of admin.: gavage
Exposure period: 13 w

Frequency of

treatment: 5 d/w

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 30, 60, 125, 250 or 500 mg/kg bw/d

Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: >99 %

Remark: groups of ten male and ten female mice were used

LOAEL: 30 mg/kg bw in females and 250 mg/kg bw in males

NOAEL: not identified in females and 125 mg/kg bw in males Result: all dose groups: decrease in relative spleen weights in

female mice; only minor changes in haematology values; no consistent gross lesions observable at necropsy 125 mg/kg bw/d: no compound-related lesions in livers or other organs 250 mg/kg bw/d: death of one male animal; compound-related hepatic lesions in males: necrosis of

individual hepatocytes observed in 2/10 males,

hepatocellular degeneration observed in 1/10 males, pigment deposition observed in 1/10 males 500 mg/kg bw/d: death of four males and three females; weight gains and final body weights depressed relative to controls; significant increase

in relative liver weights; urinary concentration of

coproporphyrin three times higher in female mice than in controls; twofold increase in the hepatic concentration of porphyrins in females; microscopy findings: centrolobular hepatic necrosis, necrosis of individual hepatocytes or hepatocellular degeneration observed in 9/10 males and 9/10 females; multiple foci of mineralization of myocardial fibers in the hearts of 3/10 males and 8/10 females; some necrosis, myositis and mineralization in skeletal muscle; lymphoid depletion observable in the thymus of 2/10 males

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> and 2/10 females; lymphoid depletion observable in the spleen of 4/10 males and 2/10 females; necrosis of lymphocytes in the spleen in 1/10 females; deposits of hemosiderin in the livers of 4/10 males and 2/10 females

Source:

10-SEP-2001 (190)

Species: mouse Sex: male/female

Strain: B6C3F1 Route of admin.: gavage Exposure period: 103 w

Frequency of

treatment: 5 d/w

Post. obs.

period: no

60 or 120 mg/kg bw/d Doses: Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

= 60 mg/kg bw NOAEL: LOAEL: = 120 mg/kg bw

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: >99 %

-Body weight Result:

Mean body weights of dosed and control male and female mice

were comparable throughout the study duration.

-Mortality and time to death

The survival of male and female mice was similar to control animals.

-Histopathology

There appeared to be a dose-related trend in tubular regeneration of the kidney in male mice (control, 17%; low dose, 24%; high dose, 35%) however, statistical significance was not reported. The incidence of malignant histiocytic lymphoma in male (control, 0/50; low-dose, 1/50; high-dose 4/50) and female (control, 0/49; low-dose, 0/50; high-dose, 3/49) mice was significantly increased (p < 0.05). However, these findings were dismissed, as the numbers of animals with all types of lymphomas (combined), which is considered to be a better indicator, had not increased.

NICNAS Source:

Test condition:

Test Subjects:

· Age at study initiation: 7 wks.

· No. of animals per sex per dose: 50 per strain per sex per

dose group.

Dose: Hepatic necrosis in 250 mg/kg dosed males in a

thirteen-week study was considered potentially

life-shortening and therefore precluded from inclusion in

the two-year study.

- Study Design:
- · Satellite group: 15 sentinel animals/sex
- · Clinical observations performed: body weight; clinical
- · Organs examined at necropsy:

macroscopic: all major tissues or organs including eyes,

thigh muscle, and spinal chord.

microscopic: tissue masses, abnormal lymph nodes, mammary gland, salivary gland, bone marrow, sternebrae, femur or vertebrae, thymus, trachea, lungs and bronchi, heart,

thyroid, parathyroid, esophageus, stomach, small intestine, colon, liver, gallbladder, pancreas, spleen, kidneys,

adrenals, urinary bladder, prostate/testes or ovaries/uterus, brain, and pituitary, eyes, thigh muscle,

and spinal chord (only if grossly abnormal).

Conclusion: NOAEL: Non-neoplastic effects at 60 mg/kg bw/day in males;

120 mg/kg bw/day in females

LOAEL: 120 mg/kg bw/day (increased tubular regeneration) in males; no treatment-related pathologies observed at any dose

in females

Under the conditions of the study, 1,2-DCB was not

considered to be carcinogenic in mice.

10-SEP-2001 (190)

Species: rabbit Sex: male/female

Strain: no data
Route of admin.: inhalation

Exposure period: ranging from 6 to 7 months

Frequency of

treatment: 7 h/d, 5 d/w

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 93 ppm (= ca. 0.569 mg/l) Control Group: other: air-exposed control

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance: other TS: purity: at least 99 % Remark: two rabbits of each sex were used

Result: no adverse effects as judged by the criteria which follow: gross appearance, behaviour, growth, mortality, organ-weight studies, qualitative urine tests on females

organ-weight studies, qualitative urine tests on females for blood, sugar, albumin and sediment, terminal blood urea nitrogen values for females, haematological data, and gross and microscopic examination of the tissues

Source: NICNAS

05-SEP-2001 (129)

Species: rabbit Sex: no data

Strain: no data
Route of admin.: inhalation
Exposure period: 7 months

Frequency of

treatment: 4 h/d, 5 d/w

Post. obs.

period: no data
Doses: 0.05 mg/l

Control Group: no data specified

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Result: a sensitizing potential of o-dichlorobenzene was discov-

ered; sensitization became obvious at early stages of poisoning in the absence of any pointers to systemic toxic action; as the signs of intoxication developed, allergic tests became negative but again took on a positive value closer to the cessation of experiment; o-dichlorobenzene triggered the production of antibodies to erythrocyte lysate and of antitissue antibodies to autoantigenes from the

renal tissue (no further data)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

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24-AUG-2001 (236)

Species: rabbit Sex: no data

Strain: no data
Route of admin.: inhalation
Exposure period: 7-8 months

Frequency of

treatment: 4 h/d, 5 d/w

Post. obs.

period: no data Doses: 0.05 mg/l

Control Group: yes

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Result: effects on adrenal cortex function: short increase in the

blood plasma level of 11-oxycorticosteroids at 3 and 5

months of exposure

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (53)

Species: rabbit Sex: female

Strain: other: New Zealand (no further data)

Route of admin.: dermal Exposure period: 5 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: 12 d

Doses: 0.1 ml/animal/d

Control Group: yes

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance: other TS: undiluted o-dichlorobenzene (no further data)
Remark: the inner aspect of the ear of two rabbits was painted

daily with 0.1 ml of 1,2-DCB

Result: 1,2-DCB had no chloracnegenic properties; no

systemic toxic effects were noted in the rabbits; the microscopic examination of the rabbit livers showed no

abnormalities (no further data)

Source: NICNAS

05-SEP-2001 (178)

Species: rabbit Sex: no data

Strain: no data Route of admin.: s.c.

Exposure period: unspecified

Frequency of

treatment: repeated administration (no further data)

Post. obs.

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Result: blood dyscrasias characterized by agranulocytosis, with

little or no effect on red blood cells

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

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Species: dog Sex: male

Strain:

Route of admin.: inhalation

Exposure period: 14 d

Frequency of

treatment: daily, 2 h/d

Post. obs.

period: no data

Doses: 2 ml per cubic metre (= ca. 2.64 mg/l)

Control Group: no

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Remark: one animal was used in the study
Result: no signs of toxicity were observable

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (216)

Species: guinea pig Sex: male/female

Strain: no data
Route of admin.: inhalation

Exposure period: ranging from 6 to 7 months

Frequency of

treatment: 7 h/d, 5 d/w

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 49 ppm (= ca. 0.3 mg/1) and 93 ppm (=ca. 0.569 mg/1)

Control Group: other: air-exposed control

Method:

Year: GLP: Test substance: other TS: purity: at least 99 %

Remark: Numbers of animals: 8 per sex
Result: At 93 ppm there was a decrease in the average male splenic

weight with no change in morphology; no adverse effects for both sexes as determined by gross appearance, gross and microscopic examination of (unspecified) tissues, growth, behaviour, mortality, organ weight; females: in addition, qualitative urine tests in females for blood, sugar,

albumin, sediment, and terminal blood urea nitrogen values

were normal; no adverse effects were seen at 49 ppm

Source: NICNAS

07-SEP-2001 (129)

Species: monkey Sex: female

Strain: no data
Route of admin.: inhalation

Exposure period: ranging from 6 to 7 months

Frequency of

treatment: 7 h/d, 5 d/w

Post. obs.

period: no

Doses: 93 ppm (= ca. 0.569 mg/l) Control Group: other: air-exposed control

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance: other TS: purity: at least 99 %

Remark: two monkeys were used

Result: no adverse effects as judged by the criteria which fol-

low: gross appearance, behaviour, growth, mortality, organ-weight studies, haematological data, qualitative

urine tests for blood, sugar, albumin and sediment, gross

and microscopic examination of the tissues

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (129)

5.5 Genetic Toxicity 'in Vitro'

Type: Ames test

System of

testing: Eight strains of Salmonella typhimurium

Concentration: approximately 1 to 5 ul/plate

Cytotoxic Conc.: no data

Metabolic

activation: without Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance: no data Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (10)

Type: Ames test

System of

testing: Salmonella typhimurium TA 98, TA 100, UTH 8414, UTH 8413

Concentration: 50-2000 ug/plate

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (69)

Type: Ames test

System of

testing: Salmonella typhimurium TA 98, TA 100, TA 1535, TA 1537

Concentration: 1-100 ug/plate

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: 95 %

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (116)

Type: Ames test

System of

testing: Salmonella typhimurium TA 97, TA 98, TA 100, TA 102, TA 1535,

TA 1537, TA 1538

Concentration: no data

Cytotoxic Conc.:

 ${\tt Metabolic}$ 

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

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Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

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Type: Ames test

System of

testing: Salmonella typhimurium TA 98, TA 100, TA 1535, TA 1537, TA

the compound was tested at five doses (no further data) Concentration:

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

with and without activation:

Result: negative

Method:

GLP: no data Year:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (154)

Type: Ames test

System of

Salmonella typhimurium TA 98, TA 100, TA 2637 testing:

Concentration: 0.005-0.5 mg/plate

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

GLP: no data Year:

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (188)

Type: Ames test

System of

testing: Salmonella typhimurium TA 98, TA 100, TA 1535, TA 1537, TA

1538

Concentration: 0.02, 0.04, 0.08, 0.16, 0.32, 0.64, 1.28 or 2.56 ul/plate

Cytotoxic Conc.: 2.56 ul/plate

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

GLP: no data Year:

Test substance: other TS: purity: 98 %

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (235)

Type: Ames test

System of

testing: Salmonella typhimurium TA 98, TA 100, TA 1535, TA 1537 Concentration: 3.3, 10.0, 33.0, 100 or 333.0 ug/plate (exception: strain TA

100, no activation: 100.0, 1000.0, 10000.0 or 13000.0

ug/plate)

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

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Year: GLP:

Test substance: other TS: purity: 95 % OECD SIDS 1,2-DICHLOROBENZENE

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Source: NICNAS

10-SEP-2001 (190) (251) (252)

Type: Ames test

System of

testing: Salmonella typhimurium TA 98, TA 100, TA 1535, TA 1537, TA

1538

Concentration: in this assay each chemical was usually tested at a minimum of

six concentrations, with the highest non-toxic concentration

tested being 10 mg/plate (no further data)

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: "technical grade" product or equivalent (no further

data)

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (288)

Type: Ames test

System of

testing: Salmonella typhimurium TA 100

Concentration: 0.001-5.0 ul/plate

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (191)

Type: Ames test

System of

testing: Salmonella typhimurium TA 98, TA 100, TA 1535, TA 1537, TA

1538

Concentration: 0.1, 1, 50 or 100 ul/plate

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (157)

Type: Bacillus subtilis recombination assay

System of

testing: Bacillus subtilis strain H 17 (arg-, trp-, recE+) and Bacillus

subtilis strain M 45 (arg-, trp-, recE-)

Concentration: 0.6 ml

Cytotoxic Conc.:

 ${\tt Metabolic}$ 

activation: with and without

Result: Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: result: 1,2-DCB showed DNA damaging potential

without S9 activation but showed no damaging potential with

S9 activation

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (165)

Type: Bacillus subtilis recombination assay

System of

testing: Bacillus subtilis M45 (recA-) and H17 (recA+)

Concentration:
Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: without Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: "technical grade" product or equivalent (no further

data)

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (288)

Type: Bacterial reverse mutation assay

System of

testing: Aspergillus nidulans

Concentration: 200 ug/ml

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: without Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance: other TS: o-dichlorobenzene was |relatively pure| (no further

data)

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (207) (208)

Type: Cytogenetic assay

System of

testing: Chinese hamster ovary cells

Concentration: 20.2, 60.5 or 202  $\mu$ ml (without metabolic activation) and

20.2, 60, 152, or 202 ug/ml (with metabolic activation)

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: 99.4 %

Remark: type: chromosomal aberration assay

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (158) (251)

Type: Cytogenetic assay

System of

testing: Chinese hamster ovary cells

Concentration: 75, 100 or 143 ug/ml

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

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Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: 99.7 %

Remark: type: chromosomal aberration assay

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (29)

Type: DNA damage and repair assay

System of

testing: primary rat hepatocytes

Concentration: up to 0.089 mM (= 13 mg/l) (highest nontoxic concentration)

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: no data Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: method: autoradiographic hepatocyte/DNA-repair test

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (234) (291)

Type: Escherichia coli reverse mutation assay

System of

testing: Escherichia coli WP2 uvrA

Concentration: in this assay, each test chemical was assayed at a minimum of

six concentrations, with the highest non-toxic concentration

tested being 10 mg/plate (no further data)

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: "technical grade" product or equivalent (no further

data)

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (288)

Type: Gene mutation in Saccharomyces cerevisiae

System of

testing: Saccharomyces cerevisiae D4

Concentration: 0.1, 1, 50 or 100 ul/plate

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (157)

Type: HGPRT assay

System of

testing: Chinese hamster ovary cells

Concentration: 88-220 ug/ml (with and without metabolic activation) and

16-180 ug/ml (with metabolic activation)

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

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Result: negative

Method:

GLP: no data Year:

Test substance: other TS: purity: 99.7 % Bayer AG Leverkusen Source:

24-AUG-2001 (30)

Type: Mitotic recombination in Saccharomyces cerevisiae

System of

Saccharomyces cerevisiae D3 testing:

five concentrations of the test chemical were tested (no Concentration:

further data)

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

with and without activation:

negative Result:

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: "technical grade" product or equivalent (no further

data)

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (288)

Type: Mouse lymphoma assay

System of

testing: L5178Y mouse lymphoma cells

3.25, 6.5, 13, 26, 39, 52, 65, 78, 104 or 130 ug/ml (without metabolic activation) and 6.5, 13, 26, 39, 52 or 78 ug/ml Concentration:

(with metabolic activation)

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Result: result: without S9 activation, 1,2-DCB was evaluated as nonmutagenic; with metabolic activiation, 1,2-DCB was found

to be mutagenic

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (182) (251)

Type: Sister chromatid exchange assay

System of

testing: Chinese hamster ovary cells

5.9, 19.7 or 59 ug/ml (without metabolic activation) and 19.7, Concentration: 59 or 197 ug/ml (with metabolic activation) or 300, 400 or 500

ug/ml (with metabolic activation)

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: Method:

> Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: 99.4 %

Remark: result: a negative response was observed without metab-

olic activation, a positive response was observed with

metabolic activation

Source: NICNAS

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Type: other: DNA damage and repair

System of

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testing: Prophage-induction in Escherichia coli

Concentration: 431.78 - 221073.40 uM

Cytotoxic Conc.: 442146.79 uM

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: type: Microscreen prophage-induction assay;

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (85)

Type: other: Differential toxicity assay

System of

Escherichia coli p3478 (polA-) and W3110 (polA+) testing:

Concentration: at least two concentration levels of the test compound were

used (no further data)

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

without activation: Result: positive

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: "technical grade" product or equivalent (no further

data)

NICNAS Source:

24-AUG-2001 (288)

Type: other: bacterial bioluminescence assay

System of

testing: one strain of Photobacterium phosphoreum

Concentration: no data

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: no data Result: negative

Method:

GLP: no data Year:

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (95)

Type: other: in vivo-in vitro replicative DNA synthesis assay

System of

[methyl-3H]-thymidine-incorporation in mouse hepatocytes testing:

Concentration: 1000 mg/kg bw and 2000 mg/kg bw

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: no data Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: Results were negative for both doses at all time points

Source: NICNAS

The role of 1,2-DCB as an inducer of DNA synthesis was Test condition:

assessed using an in vivo-in vitro replicative DNA synthesis

assay with hepatocytes derived from male B6C3F1 mice;

animals were administered 1,2-DCB (1000 or 2000 mg/kg bw) by gavage and hepatocytes prepared 24, 39 or 48 hours later; replicative DNA synthesis was assessed after the addition of

[methyl-3H]-thymidine followed by autoradiography

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Type: other: inhibition of the DNA synthesis

System of

testing: human lymphocytes

Concentration: 1.47, 14.7 or 147 ug/ml

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: 99 %

Remark: In the absence of metabolic activation, 1,2-DCB markedly

reduced thymidine uptake at a dose studied and viability was

15 % of controls; thymidine uptake in the presence of metabolic activation remained unchanged at all doses studied; at 1 mM, cell viability decreased to 50 % of controls in the presence of metabolic activation

Source: NICNAS

05-SEP-2001 (204)

Type: other: umu test (DNA damage assay)

System of

testing: Salmonella typhimurium TA1535/pSK1002

Concentration: highest concentration of o-dichlorobenzene examined in this

study: 435 ug/ml

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (185)

Type: other: umu test (DNA damage assay)

System of

testing: Salmonella typhimurium TA1535/pSK1002

Concentration: 100 ug/ml

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

activation: with and without

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Source: NICNAS

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Type: other

System of

testing: HeLa cells Concentration: 350 ug/ml

Cytotoxic Conc.:

Metabolic

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activation:

Result: Method:

> Year: GLP: no

other TS: purity: >99 % Test substance:

1,2-DCB markedly inhibited the amino acid and uridine incorporation in unexposed HeLa cells; HeLa cells were exposed for 30 minutes to 350 ug/ml dosages of 1,2-DCB and the effects on [3H]uridine and 14C-labeled amino acids

incorporation into RNA and protein were determined

Source: NICNAS

05-SEP-2001 (183)

5.6 Genetic Toxicity 'in Vivo'

Type: Cytogenetic assay

Species: Sex: male rat

Strain: other: COBS-CD (SD) Br

Route of admin.: s.c. Exposure period: 16 d

40, 200 or 1000 mg/kg bw/d Doses:

Result: Method:

> Year: GLP: yes

Test substance: other TS: purity: 98 %

Remark: type: chromosomal aberration assay

o-dichlorobenzene did not induce a statistically significant Result:

increase in the number of chromosomal aberrations in bone

marrow cells relative to the control at any dose

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (214)

Type: Cytogenetic assay

Species: Sex: male/female rat.

Strain: Sprague-Dawley

Route of admin.: i.p.

Exposure period: the animals received a single i.p. injection and were

sacrificed 6, 12 or 24 h later

150, 300 or 600 mg/kg bw (6 h assay) and 135, 270 or 540 mg/kg Doses:

bw (12 h assay and 24 h assay)

Result: Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: 99.7 %

Remark: the objective of this study was to assess the ability of o-dichlorobenzene to induce chromosomal aberrations in

rat bone marrow cells

type: chromosomal aberration assay

Result: o-dichlorobenzene did not cause an increase in the fre-

quency of chromosomal breaks or aberrations in the bone

marrow cells

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (28)

Type: Drosophila SLRL test

Species: Drosophila melanogaster

Strain:

Route of admin.: inhalation

Exposure period: single exposure for 4 h (concentrations: 2800, 4000 or 4300

ppm) or for 6 h (concentration: 2300 ppm)

2300, 2800, 4000 or 4300 ppm (= 14.03, 17.08, 24.4 or 26.23 Doses:

mg/1)

Result: Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Result: o-dichlorobenzene did not induce sex-linked recessive le-

thal mutations

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24-AUG-2001 (27)

Type: Drosophila SLRL test

Species: Drosophila melanogaster Sex: no data

Strain:

Route of admin.: Exposure period:

Doses:

Result: negative

Method.

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

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Type: Micronucleus assay

Species: mouse Sex: male

Strain: NMRI Route of admin.: i.p.
Exposure period: see remarks

93.5, 187.5, 281 or 375 mg/kg bw

Result: Method:

GLP: no data Year:

Test substance: other TS: purity: 99 %

1,2-DCB was administered in two equal doses of Remark:

93.5, 187.5, 281 or 375 mg/kg bw, 24 hours apart; the animals were killed 30 hours after the first injection of

1,2-DCB

1,2-DCB induced a dose-related increase in the Result:

formation of micronucleated polychromatic erythrocytes,

observed in femoral bone marrow

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (174)

Type: Micronucleus assay

Species: mouse Sex: male

Strain: B6C3F1 Route of admin.: i.p. Exposure period: 3 d

Doses: 50, 100, 150, 200 or 250 mg/kg bw/d

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: this assay employed three daily exposures; bone marrow

samples were obtained 24 hours following the final ex-

posure

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (231)

other: (white/white+) eye mosaic assay Type:

Species: Drosophila melanogaster Sex: female

Strain:

Route of admin.: inhalation Exposure period: 17 hours

Doses: 500, 1000 or 2000 ppm (ca. 3, 6 or 12 mg/l)

Result: negative

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: 2000 ppm = lethal dose

the (w/w+) eye mosaic assay is an in vivo short-term test measuring genetic damage in somatic cells of Drosophila

after treatment of larvae

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (277)

Type: other: (white/white+) eye mosaic assay

Species: Drosophila melanogaster Sex: female

Strain:

Route of admin.: oral feed

Exposure period: chronic exposure (no further data)

Doses: 5 or 10 mM

Result: Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: 10 mM = lethal dose

the (w/w+) eye mosaic assay is an in vivo short-term test measuring genetic damage in somatic cells of Drosophila  $\,$ 

after treatment of larvae

Result: marginally positive response associated with cytotoxicity

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (277)

Type: other: DNA damage assay

Species: rat Sex: female

Strain: Sprague-Dawley

Route of admin.: gavage
Exposure period: see remarks

Doses: 100 or 300 mg/kg bw

Result: Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: experimental design: hepatic DNA damage by alkaline elution; female rats received two doses of 300 mg/kg bw of 1,2-DCB;

the first and second dose 21 and 4 h before

sacrifice, respectively; no indications of hepatic DNA damage

were evident

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

10-SEP-2001 (144)

5.7 Carcinogenicity

Species: rat Sex: male/female

Strain: other: F344/N

Route of admin.: gavage Exposure period: 103 w

Frequency of

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treatment: 5 d/w

Post. obs.

period:

Doses: 60, 120 mg/kg body weight (dose volume: 5 ml/kg bw)

Result: negative

Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

other TS: purity: >99 % Test substance:

Remark: Histological examination in both sexes revealed no increase

in non-neoplastic lesions in the liver, kidney, bone marrow, spleen, thymus or other organs; although the incidence of pheochromocytoma in males was increased in the low-dose group (16/50) the high-dose incidence (6/49) was lower than the control animals (9/50) with no significant dose-response

trend being eviden; under the conditions of the study, 1,2-DCB was not considered to be carcinogenic in rats

NICNAS Source:

10-SEP-2001 (190)

Species: rat. Sex: male

Strain: no data Route of admin .: gavage Exposure period: 9 months

Frequency of

treatment: daily

Post. obs.

period: no data

0.001, 0.01 or 0.1 mg/kg bw/d Doses:

Result:

Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

Method:

Year: GLP: no

Test substance:

Result: the macroscopic, histological and histochemical data did

not reveal evidence of carcinogenic activity with the

concentrations investigated (no further data)

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (270)

mouse Sex: male/female Species:

Strain: B6C3F1 Route of admin.: gavage Exposure period: 103 w

Frequency of

5 d/w treatment:

Post. obs.

period: no

60, 120 mg/kg body weight (dose volume: 5 ml/kg bw) Doses:

Result:

Control Group: yes, concurrent vehicle

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: other TS: purity: >99 %

Remark: There appeared to be a dose-related trend in tubular

regeneration of the kidney in male mice (control, 17%; low dose, 24%; high dose, 35%) however, statistical significance

was not reported; incidence of malignant histiocytic

lymphoma in male (control, 0/50; low-dose, 1/50; high-dose 4/50) and female (control, 0/49; low-dose, 0/50; high-dose, 3/49) mice was significantly increased (p < 0.05) however,

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these findings were dismissed, as the numbers of animals with all types of lymphomas (combined), which is considered to be a better indicator, had not increased; under the conditions of this study, there was no evidence of carcinogenicity of 1,2-DCB for male or female B6C3F1 mice

Source: NICNAS

10-SEP-2001 (190)

Species: rat Sex: male/female

Strain: Sprague-Dawley

Route of admin.: i.p.

Exposure period: see remarks

Frequency of

treatment: see remarks

Post. obs.

period: see remarks

Doses: 1.0 mmol/kg bw (= 147 mg/kg bw)

Result: negative

Control Group: yes

Method: other: see remarks

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance: no data

Remark: in an initiation-promotion bioassay (rat liver foci bio-

assay), 1,2-DCB was tested for its ability to enhance the incidence of diethylnitrosamine-initiated GGT foci (focal hepatic areas with increased gamma-glutamyltranspeptidase activity): the animals received a 2/3 partial hepatectomy followed 1 day later by oral (gavage) administration of 0.5

mmol/kg bw (= 51 mg/kg bw) of diethylnitrosamine
(initiator); the rats were then administered 1,2-DCB

by i.p. injection at 1 and 5 weeks; 2 weeks after the final dose of 1,2-DCB was administered, the rats were sacrificed; the prepared liver sections were analyzed for the incidence

of GGT foci and other lesions

Result: 1,2-DCB did not initiate or promote tumour formation using

the g-glutamyltranspeptidase-positive foci (compared with

controls)

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (123)

5.8 Toxicity to Reproduction

Type: Two generation study

Species: rat Sex: male/female

Strain: no data
Route of admin.: inhalation
Exposure Period: see remarks

Frequency of

treatment: daily exposure time unspecified

Premating Exposure Period
male: see remarks
female: see remarks
Duration of test: see remarks

Doses: 50, 150 or 400 ppm (= ca. 0.305, 0.915 or 2.44 mg/l)

Control Group: yes

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: study design: groups of male and female rats (designated

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as the F0 generation) were exposed to vapour of o-dichlorobenzene at concentrations of 50, 150 and 400 ppm for 10 weeks prior to mating, during mating, gestation and lactation; groups of male and female rats were selected from the progeny of the F0 generation and this constituted the F1 generation; the F1 generation was similarly exposed to o-dichlorobenzene for 11 weeks postweaning, mating, gestation and lactation; all F2 pups were observed through weaning only

Result:

no compound-related mortality was observed; no treatment related effects were observed on reproductive performance or fertility indices in either generation in this study; body weights of F0 and F1 adults in the high dose group were significantly depressed during the growth period and continued to be lower until terminal sacrifice; pup weights were significantly lower in the high dose group and minimally lower in the mid dose group; liver weights were increased in the mid and high dose group males and females while kidney weights were increased in mid and high level males; these organ weight changes were accompanied by histopathological changes in the liver and kidney; only a slight increase in liver weight was observed in the low dose males

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (184)

Type: Two generation study

Species: rat Sex: male/female

Strain: Crj: CD(SD)
Route of admin.: inhalation
Exposure Period: 281 d

Frequency of

treatment: see TC freetext field

Premating Exposure Period

male: see TC freetext field female: see TC freetext field

Duration of test: 281 d

Doses: Target exposure levels: F0 and F1: 0, 50, 150 and 400 ppm

Control Group: yes

Method:

Year: GLP:

Test substance:

Remark: Study Design: Eight additional females (F0 and F1) were

sorted into each treatment group (satellite group); Clinical

observations performed (Parental generation Data)

Adult Body weight: F0 and F1 adult males recorded weekly throughout study duration; F0 and F1 adult females recorded weekly, during pre-mating treatment periods, on Days 0, 7, 14 and 20 of gestation and on Days 0, 4, 14 and 21 of

lactation; Additionally, body weights on Day 28 of lactation

were recorded for the FO generation females; Body

weights were not recorded for F0 and F1 satellite females; Pup Body Weight: F1 litter weights were recorded on Days 0, 4 (pre- and post-cull), 14, 21 and 28 of lactation; F2 litter weights were recorded on Days 0, 4 (pre- and

post-cull), 7, 14 and 21 of lactation; Post-mortem Data: Terminal Body weight and Organ Weight Data F0 and F1

(Adult); Gross Post-mortem evaluations (Adult Generations); Gross Post-mortem evaluations - F1 and F2 Pups;

Histopathological Evaluations - Adult Generations: Litter observations: Litters examined twice daily for general

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> appearance of pups and presence of dead pups; Dead or Stillborn: Weighed and given gross internal and external examination including internal sex determination. Pups found dead were not eviscerated; Organs examined at necropsy (macroscopic): F0 and F1 Adults: liver, kidneys, testes and brain weights were recorded; microscopic: F0 and F1 Adults, control and high dose: liver, kidneys, pituitary gland, testes, epididymides, seminal vesicles, prostate, vagina, uterus, ovaries; Livers of all F0 and F1 adults in low & mid-dose groups; Kidneys of FO and F1 males from all dosed groups were evaluated for eosinophilic granules and granular casts

Result:

#### Mortality:

Some mortality was seen among the control and treated adult animals in each generation however no adverse effect of treatment was indicated

### Body weight:

(F0): High-dosed males had significantly lower body weight throughout the exposure period and a significantly lower terminal body weight (-10%) compared to controls; high-dosed females had significantly lower body weight during premating and at termination (-5%); (F1): High-dosed males had significantly lower body weight throughout the exposure period and significantly lower terminal body weight (-19%) compared to controls; high-dosed females had significantly lower body weight during premating, gestation and lactation periods and at termination (-9%)

Food consumption data (Pre-mating treatment Interval): FO and F1: Statistically significant increases in food consumption amongst mid- and high-dosed groups

Physical Observation Data- F0: Anogenital (A-G) staining at

weeks 8 and 12 in mid-dosed males increased slightly above control groups; high-dosed groups showed excessive salivation at weeks 2-4, 8 and 12 (males) and weeks 3 and 4(females)

F1: High-dosed groups showed excessive salivation with increased incidence early in the pre-mating treatment period at weeks 21, 22, 24 and 28 (males) and weeks 21-24 (females); three control males at week 37-38 (post-mating period) presented with ocular lesions, chromodacryorrhea, swollen jaw area, squinted eyes and dry eyes; all symptoms suggestive of SDAV infection; SDAV antibodies were detected from serum collected from all 3 animals; females were reported as free of symptoms of SDAV infection

Mating Indices, Pregnancy Rates and Male Fertility Indices: FO & F1: Mating indices, pregnancy rates and male fertility indices were comparable between treatment groups & controls; of the males that failed to mate with females, very few failed to mate with females in a satellite group; at necropsy, one FO female had three uterine implantation scars however the status of implantation in the absence of parturition is unclear; consequently, the animal was not included in pregnancy rate calculations

Gestation Length and Parturition Data: F1 and F2 litters: Gestation: A small, statistically significant decrease in

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gestation length was observed in low-dosed animals; mean gestation length for F2 litters was comparable to control for each of the treated groups

Parturition: Mean number of live and total pups per F1 litter at birth was statistically higher in the low- and mid-dosed animals when compared to controls; the mean number of dead pups in each treated group of the F1 and F2 litters was not significantly different from controls; F1 pup viability indices (ratio of live/total at birth) were similar to controls; a statistically significant increase in pup viability for low-dosed F2 litters was noted

Litter Size Data: F1 litters: Mean litter size was statistically higher in the low- and mid-dosed animals F2 litters: Mean litter size was comparable between control and treated groups

#### Litter Survival Indices:

F1 litter Interval: The litter survival index was comparable between control and treated groups

F2 litter Interval: The litter survival index was comparable between control and treated groups

Unselected F1 High-dose Pups: Male and female F1 high dose pups left untreated and maintained on basal diets showed no significant change in food consumption or weight gain from F1 control group data (for the 10-week growth period coincident with the pre-mating treatment period of the F1 adult generation)

Pup Weight Data - Lactation Interval F1 Pups: A statistically significant decrease in mean pup

weight was seen at Day 0 in mid- and Days 0, 14, 21 and 28 in high-dosed groups; at Day 28, mean pup weight in the high-dosed group was 11% lower than controls

F2 Pups: A statistically significant decrease in mean pup weight was seen at Days 14 and 21 in high-dosed groups only; at Day 21, mean pup weight was 21% lower than controls

## Pup Survival Indices:

F1 Litters: A statistically significant increase in the pup survival index for mid-dosed animals was noted during Days 4-21 of the lactation

F2 Litters: A statistically significant decrease in the pup survival index (94.3%) for high-dosed animals compared to controls (98.1%) was noted during Days 0-4 of the lactation interval largely attributed to the loss of all pups within a single litter; pup survival for the high-dose group over Days 4-21 lactation was comparable to controls

## Dead Pup Observations:

F1 Litters: The numbers of dead pups recovered at birth or during the 28-day lactation period were 29 controls, 23-low dosed, 11 mid-dosed and 19 high-dosed animals did not present with external or internal malformations

F2 Litters: The numbers of dead pups recovered at birth or

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during the 21-day lactation period were 25 controls, 13-low dosed, 12 mid-dosed and 19 high-dosed animals did not present with external or internal malformations

Post-mortem Data- Organ Weight Data (F0 and F1 Adults): F0: High-dose: Mean brain weight (males) were statistically significantly lower; mean relative brain weight was statistically significantly higher in females

Mid- and high-dose: relative kidney weights were statistically slightly higher in females absolute and relative kidney weights in males were statistically significantly higher

Absolute and relative liver weights (both sexes) were statistically higher in mid and high-dosed groups; absolute liver weights were significantly higher in low-dosed males

Relative testes weight in high-dosed animals was statistically significantly higher than controls; absolute testes weights and mean/brain weight ratios were comparable to controls

F1: High-dose: Absolute brain weight (both sexes) were statistically significantly lower than controls, relative brain weight was statistically significantly higher for males

Mid- and high-dose: Relative kidney weights (males) were statistically significantly higher; Absolute and relative liver weights (both sexes) were statistically higher than control groups

Relative testes weight in high-dosed animals was

statistically significantly higher than controls; absolute testes weights and testes/brain weight ratios were comparable to controls

Gross Post-mortem Evaluations - Adult Generations F0 and F1 Adults: No adverse effects noted; F1 and F2 Pups: A small number of unilateral occurrences of dilated renal pelves predominantly in females of both generations in treated and control groups

Histopathological Evaluations

Liver (FO and F1 Adults): Hypertrophy of central lobular hepatocytes was evident in most high-dose adults (both sexes) exposed to 400 ppm dichlorobenzene; Similar effects were noted in mid-dosed males and to a lesser extent in mid-dosed females; no effects were noted in low-dosed animals

Kidney (F0 and F1 Adults):

High dosed (and to a lesser extent mid-dosed) males developed dilated tubular lumens with intraluminal granular casts, predominantly at the cortico-medullary junctions; dose-dependent increase in intracytoplasmic granules/droplets in the proximal convoluted tubular epithelium; no effects were reported in females NCINAS

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Test condition: Frequency of Treatment

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> Adults:F0 Males and females: daily 7 d/wk, 6 h/d from 10-week pre-mating period and during mating; males continued to be exposed until sacrifice (3-4 weeks post-mating); females were exposed daily during the Day 0-19 gestation interval; F0 Females were not exposed from Day 20 of gestation to Day 4 of lactation; daily exposure resumed on Day 5 of lactation until scheduled sacrifice after weaning of F1 litters; F1 and F2 Pups: Two randomly selected F1 pups from each sex and litter were exposed from Day 29 postpartum; these represented the F1 adult generation; F1 animals were then exposed 7 d/wk, 6 h/d for an 11-week pre-mating period and then as for FO animals; resultant F2 pups were exposed and sacrificed on Day 21 of lactation; exposure period F0: 104-106 d (males); 142 d (females) F1: 148 or 149 d (males); 157 or 158 d (females)

Statistical Methods

All interval data were tested for equal variance by Bartlett's test. Significance amongst treated groups were determined by standard one-way ANOVA and their significance from controls using the Dunnett's test. Unequal variances were determined by the Kruskal-Wallis test and their significance from controls using the summed rank (Dunn) test. Incidence rate data (mortality, mating, pregnancy and fertility) including pup and litter survival data were tested for significance using contingency tables.

Differences between groups were determined using a standard

chi-square analysis and significance compared to controls

were determined using a 2x2 Fisher Exact test.

Conclusion:

Under the conditions of the study, no treatment related effects on fertility were observed; Mid- and high (400 ppm) exposure revealed kidney effects in males and liver effects in males and females; The only effect on pups was reduced body weight during lactation at 400 ppm; The NOAEL for

Sex: male

adult toxicity is 50 ppm and LOAEL is 100 ppm

05-OCT-2001 (26)

Type: other Species: rat

Strain: Sprague-Dawley

Route of admin.: i.p.

Exposure Period: single administration

Frequency of treatment: Duration of test:

50, 100, 250, 300 or 800 mg/kg bw Doses:

Control Group:

Method:

GLP: no data Year:

Test substance:

Remark: in this assay the induction of sperm abnormalities was

investigated in rats treated with 1,2-DCB

the animals were sacrificed 10 days post-exposure

Result: light microscopic observation of sperm suspensions re-

> vealed morphological abnormalities in sperm such as banana heads, acrosomal defects, and tail curlings and twisting; both sperm head and tail abnormalities seem to show a dose response relationship between concentra-

tion of 1,2-DCB and percent abnormality

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (181) OECD SIDS

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5.9 Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity

Species: rat Sex: female

Strain: Fischer 344 Route of admin.: inhalation

Exposure period: days 6 through 15 of gestation

Frequency of

treatment: 6 h/d

Duration of test: the dams were sacrificed on day 16 of gestation

1.2, 2.4 or 3 mg/l

Control Group: yes

Method:

Year: GLP: yes

Test substance: other TS: purity: 98.81 %

the objective of this study was to establish maximum tol-Remark:

> erated exposure levels of o-dichlorobenzene via inhalation for pregnant rats for use in the definitive teratology study

Result: all exposure levels: no statistically significant effects

on reproductive parameters

2.4 mg/l: decreased food consumption and increased relat-

ive liver and kidney weights in the pregnant rats

3 mg/l: severe maternal toxicity, evidenced by significant decreases in body weight, body weight gain and food consumption, increases in relative liver and kidney weights, and signs of systemic toxicity at gross necropsy observable in pregnant rats; embryolethality observable among the rats exhibiting the most severe signs of maternal toxi-

city

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (115)

Species: other: rat and rabbit Sex: male/female

Strain: other: Fischer-344 and New Zealand White

Route of admin.: inhalation

Exposure period: rats: 6 h/day on days 6 through 15 of gestation; rabbits: days

6 through 18 gestation

Frequency of

6 h/d treatment:

Duration of test: the rats were sacrificed on day 21 of gestation and rabbits on

day 29 gestation

0.6, 1.2 or 2.4 mg/l (100, 200 or 400 ppm) Doses:

Control Group: other: the control group of rats and rabbits were exposed to

filtered room

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

other TS: purity: 98.81 %

Result: Rabbits: decrease in body weight gain in dams during the

first three days of exposure at all dose levels; at doses up

to 400 ppm 1,2-DCB did not prove to be

embryotoxic, fetotoxic or teratogenic in the rabbit based on

observations of the number of pregnancies, litter size, resorption rate, foetal body measurements or foetal

malformations.

Rats: significant decrease in body weight gain from gestation days 6 through to 20 at all dose levels; a

significant increase in maternal liver weights occurred with

rats exposed to 400 ppm; the only developmental

treatment-related effect was a significant increase in the occurrence of delayed ossification of cervical vertebral

centra in the highest dose group, however, these effects

occurred at maternally toxic doses

Source: NICNAS

07-SEP-2001 (117) (136)

Species: rat Sex: female

Strain: Sprague-Dawley

Route of admin.: gavage

Exposure period: days 6 through 15 of gestation

Frequency of

treatment: daily
Duration of test: no data

Doses: 50, 100 or 200 mg/kg bw/d

Control Group: no data specified

Method:

Year: GLP: no data

Test substance:

Remark: 1,2-DCB did not have any teratological effect (no further

data)

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: maternal weight gain, changes in microscopic examination

24-AUG-2001 (223)

#### 5.10 Other Relevant Information

Type: Biochemical or cellular interactions

Remark: twenty-two hours after a single i.p. injection of 14C-o-

dichlorobenzene (dose: 127 uCi/kg bw) into male rats and mice, the test substance was covalently bound to DNA of liver, kidney, lung and stomach; in all assayed organs, the specific activity of DNA from mouse organs was higher

than that measured in rat organs: this difference was particularly remarkable in the case of lung DNA; no particular organ-specific difference was observed as regards labelling of mouse DNA, whereas labelling of rat liver DNA was higher than that of DNA from other rat organs; the extent of binding to RNA of various organs was higher than that of DNA, with mouse RNA labelling again higher than rat RNA labelling; no difference between rat and mouse organs was observed as regards the extent of protein binding,

which was higher than DNA labelling

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (67)

Type: Biochemical or cellular interactions

Remark: in vitro assay: the enzyme-mediated interaction of 14C-o-

dichlorobenzene with calf thymus DNA or synthetic polyribonucleotides was carried out by a microsomal mixed-function oxidase system and microsomal glutathione-transferases: the binding of 14C-o-dichlorobenzene to calf thymus DNA mediated by liver microsomes increased linearly with incubation time up to 90 minutes, then it reached a plateau; microsomal enzymes from liver and lung bioactivated o-dichlorobenzene to intermediate(s) capable of interacting with exogenous DNA; rat liver microsomes were more efficient than mouse liver microsomes, but the opposite situation was observed for lung microsomes; the activity of cytosolic enzymes was very low or neglible; the copresence of microsomal and cytosolic fractions from rodent lung in the incubation mixture gave rise to a synergistic effect,

which did not occur when the liver fractions were used; the pattern of 14C-o-dichlorobenzene interaction with microsomal RNA and proteins resembled that of the interaction with DNA; however, microsomal protein labelling was higher than micro-

somal RNA or calf thymus DNA labellings

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

06-AUG-1993 (67)

Type: Biochemical or cellular interactions

Remark: the c-mitotic activity of some benzene derivatives, including o-dichlorobenzene, was studied in Allium cepa (onion); full c-mitosis was observed at a concentration of 300 uM; partial disturbances in mitosis were observable at a concentration of 100 uM and nor-

mal mitosis was seen at a concentration of 30 uM

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-JUL-2001 (201)

Type: Biochemical or cellular interactions

Remark: 1,2-DCB binding in the rat lung increased after 6 h and was

less marked after 24 h exposure; 1,2-DCB binding preceded necrosis of bronchiolar epithelium by 24 h; phenobarbital

pretreatment slightly decreased binding

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Sprague-Dawley
No. of animals: 6

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: intraperitoneal injection

Dose: 0.5 mM/kg 1,2-DCB-[14C] Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Test substance: Purity not stated

10-AUG-2001 (213)

Type: Chemobiokinetics general studies

Remark: The study investigate the affinity of 1,2-DCB for

the Thyroxin (T4) binding site of transthyretin (TTR) in human serum using an in vitro standard T4 competition assay;

1,2-DCB was an inefficient competitor for the T4

binding site of human TTR

Source: NICNAS

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Test condition: Species: human serum

Route of Administration: ex vivo

Dose: 100 uM

Frequency of Treatment: T4 competition assay

GLP: no data

10-AUG-2001 (268)

Type: Chemobiokinetics general studies

Remark: 1,2-DCB increased peak latencies and significantly decreased

peak N160 amplitude (ED50 151.6 mg/kg) at 0.5, 1, 2 and 4 hours after dosing; colonic temperature decreased in parallel; other peak amplitudes were not significantly

altered

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Long-Evans

Sample size: 15-19 per treatment group

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: intraperitoneal

Dose: 53, 105, 210 or 420 mg/kg Testing Period: 0.5, 1, 2, 4 and 24 h

Frequency of testing: once

GLP: no data

15-AUG-2001 (122)

Type: Cytotoxicity

Remark: No evidence of toxicity (as evaluated by intracellular K+

content, lactate dehydrogenase leakage and protein

synthesis) in Sprague-Dawley rat liver slices maintained in dynamic organ culture for up to 5 hours with 1mM (= ca. 147 mg/l) 1,2-DCB compared to untreated controls; phenobarbital treated rats revealed toxicity in all parameters whether

following 3 h or 6 h incubated with 1.0 mM 1,2-DCB

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Sprague Dawley
No. of animals: liver slices

Sex: M

Route of Administration: ex vivo

Dose (mM): 1.0 mM

Exposure (h): 3h and 6h continuous incubation

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

10-AUG-2001 (41)

Type: Cytotoxicity

Remark: A majority of treated animals presented with liver necrosis

at all dose/exposure times studied and renal damage;

frequent eye and nose irritation

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat; mouse; guinea pig

Strain: not stated

No. of animals: 2-10 per group

Sex: M

Route of Administration: inhalation

Dose (%): 0.005-0.080 rats; 0.005 mouse; 0.080 guinea pig

Exposure: 0.5 h - 50 h
Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Test substance: Both commercial and pure 1,2-DCB were tested, however no

values were stated

24-AUG-2001 (58)

Type: Cytotoxicity

Remark: 1,2-DCB caused hepatic cytotoxicity as measured by increased

intracellular K+ and decreased protein synthesis; potentiation of toxicity was observed with liver slices prepared from phenobarbital-induced rats; liver slices prepared from Fischer-344 rats were substantially more

affected by 1,2-DCB than from Sprague-Dawley

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Sprague Dawley and Fisher 344 No. of animals: 4 animals per dose

Sex: M

Route of Administration: ex vivo

Dose: 1, 2 and 5 mM

Exposure (h): liver slices were incubated for up to 6 h

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Test substance: 1,2-DCB dissolved in 1% DMSO

29-AUG-2001 (100)

Type: Cytotoxicity

Remark: primary cultures of rat hepatocytes were treated with

o-dichlorobenzene at a concentration of 0.5 mM (= 73.5 mg/l) for 20 hours; the acute cytotoxicity was assessed by the following cellular markers: leakage of intracellular lactate dehydrogenase, glycogenolytic activity as a specific function of hepatocytes and observations of cytopathic effects: in this assay o-dichlorobenzene did

not reveal significant cytotoxic effects

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (180)

Type: Cytotoxicity

Remark: in vitro assay: the effects of o-, m-, and p-dichloro-

benzene on isolated rat liver and kidney cells were examined; isomers of dichlorobenzene (o-, m-, p-) did not have any effects at 0.5 mM (= ca. 73 mg/l) on the glutathione contents and the viabilities of hepatocytes but decreased them at 1 mM (= ca. 147 mg/l); the potencies were: o-isomer>= m-isomer>= p-isomer; those of hepatocytes obtained from phenobarbital pretreated rats were decreased by dichlorobenzenes at 0.5 mM; the potencies were: o-isomer>= m-isomer> p-isomer; amounts of glutathione conjugates of o- and m-dichlorobenzene outside of the cells were increased; the amounts of oxidized glutathione were not different from control experiments; in the case of renal cells, decreases in glutathione contents and viabil-

ities by dichlorobenzenes (1 mM) appeared without phenobarbital pretreatment; the potencies were: o-isomer> m-

isomer>= p-isomer

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (194)

Type: Cytotoxicity

Remark: in vitro assay: the effects of o-dichlorobenzene on rat

hepatocyte functions were studied; the viability of hepatocytes as well as glutathione concentrations were decreased; o-dichlorobenzene diminished the content of cytochrome P 450 and decreased lipid peroxidase and xanthine

oxidase activities

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (206)

Type: Cytotoxicity

Remark: cancer promotion activity test with HL-60 cells established

from human leukaemia HL-60 cells incubated in vitro with 1,2-DCB for 20 hours; the morphological change of the cells was examined using phorbol-myristate-acetate (PMA) as

differentiating agent; cell viability in HL60 cells following 20 h exposure to 200 mM 1,2-DCB was entirely eliminated; morphological change of HL-60 cells to

macrophages was not observed following exposure to 1,2-DCB,

suggesting that 1,2-DCB is not a cancer promotor

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Cell Type: HL60

Dose: 200 mM

Exposure 20 h continuous incubation (log phase)

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Cytotoxicity measured by by trypan blue

exclusion

1,2-DCB was dissolved in 0.05% DMSO to a final concn of 200 Test substance:

05-SEP-2001 (264)

Cytotoxicity Type:

Remark: No alteration in serum IL-6 at any dose;

> non-statistically significant increases in TNF-alpha levels post 6 h exposure to 500 and 600 mg/kg with effects being undetectable at other dose/time points; statistically

significant decrease in serum-borne-induced immunosuppression of AFC and NK cell activity

NICNAS Source:

Test condition: Species: mice

Strain: Swiss OFI

No. of animals: 8 mice per group. One control group and five treated groups exposed for various time periods per

dose tested Sex: M

Route of Administration: gavage

Dose: 300; 500 and 600 mg/kg bw (controls recieved corn oil) Exposure Period: treated groups of 6 h 16, 24, 48 and 72 h

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Humoral immune response of antibody forming cell (AFC) and natural killer cell (NK) cytotoxicity activity. Immunosuppressive effect on serologic tumour necrosis factor-alpha (TNF-a) and interleukin-6 (IL-6).

Test substance:

purity: 99%

29-AUG-2001 (17)

Type: Distribution

Remark: 1 week after termination of the administration the animals

were killed and the contents of 1,2-DCB

in the fatty tissue of the kidneys and of the inner genitals were determined; after administration of 2 or 4 mg/kg bw/d

of 1,2-DCB for 4 weeks, the content of the sub-

stance in the fatty tissue was determined to be 30 or 60 mg/ kg of fat tissue, respectively; after administration for 3

months at 4 mg/kg bw/d, the content of 1,2-DCB in fat tissue amounted to 100 mg/kg of fat tissue; in the animals dosed with 4 mg/kg bw/d for 4 w, the 1,2-DCBconcentrations in fat tissue were nearly unchanged 1 week after termination of the application, however, 1,2-DCB

was not detected 3 weeks after the end of the administration

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: albino Number of animals:

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: gavage

Dose: 2, 4 mg/kg/bw

Testing Period: 4, 8 or 12 wks Frequency of testing: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: contents of 1,2-DCB in the fatty tissue of the kidneys and of the inner genitals were determined

24-JUL-2001 (131)

Type: Distribution

Remark: the translobular uptake pattern of 14C-labeled-1,2-DCB in the rat liver examined by the recirculating autologous blood

liver perfusion procedure showed 1,2-DCB was completely absorbed during the first passage through the liver; subsequent perfusion indicated rapid reversible hepatic uptake and release were observable, with an average hepatic

transit time of 1.3 min

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Sprague-Dawley

Number of animals: 12 (2 per treatment group; excluding

controls)
Sex: Male

Route of Administration: hood perfusion

Dose: 0.65 uM Testing Period:

Frequency of testing: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: elution of 1,2-DCB in situ at the "void volume" was monitored as an indicator of hepatic uptake

efficiency

Test substance: 1,2-DCB 99% pure

10-AUG-2001 (260)

Type: Excretion

Remark: Catechols were excreted during a period of 3-4 days

following administration of 0.5 g/kg; the peak excretion occurred on the second day; the average catechol excretion amounted to 7.8 % of the administered dose of 1,2-DCB. In a second experiment, three rabbits were each fed with 1500 mg of 1,2-DCB and their urines collected for 24 h: in the

hydrolysed urine 4,5-dichlorocatechol was identifiable

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rabbit

Strain: Chinchilla No. of animals: 3 Sex: Female

Route of Administration: gavage Dose: 0.5 g/kg and 1500 mg Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Urinalysis over 5 day period post

treatment for excretion of catechols

24-AUG-2001 (15)

Type: Excretion

Remark: after oral administration of o-dichlorobenzene to mammals

(probably to dogs) small amounts of mercapturic acid were

detectable in the urine (no further data)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-JUL-2001 (23)

Type: Excretion

Method: Species: human Strain:

Sample size: 8

Sex: M

Route of Administration: not applicable

Dose: 0

Testing Period: 60 minutes

Frequency of testing: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Incidental trace amounts of 1,2-DCB was

tidentified in subjects during cryogenic sampling in

respired air.

Remark: 1,2-DCB was identified in expired air in 7 out of 8 subjects

at concentrations between 0.001 and 26.0 ug/hr. Previous exposure to o-DCB (cake form) used as a deodorant in the

wash room, was thought to contribute to the trace composition in subjects during the cryogenic sampling

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (68)

Type: Immunotoxicity

Remark: 4 h exposure to vapourised 1,2-DCB induced adrenal

dependent leucopenic effect without any change in red blood cell (RBC) and leucocyte differential (LD) counts compared to untreated controls; leukopenia was dose-dependent and

significant at 10 ppm and above

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Sprague-Dawley

No. of animals: 10 (per group)

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: Inhalation

Dose: 5-29 ppm Exposure Period: 4 h

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Haematological effects

30-AUG-2001 (46)

Type: Immunotoxicity

Remark: 1,2-DCB reduced peritoneal macrophage phagocytic

activity in mice by 78% of control; the data parallel the

cytoxicity by 1,2-DCB

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: mice

Strain: ddy
No. of animals: 3
Sex: Female

Route of Administration: ex vivo

Dose: 200 mM

Exposure (h): 15-20

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Phagocytic activity of peritoneal

macrophages

Test substance: 1,2-DCB was dissolved in 0.05% DMSO to a final concentration

of 200 mM

30-AUG-2001 (264)

Type: Metabolism

Remark: The primary oxidation metabolite of 1,2-DCB is

3:4-dichlorophenol (which is excreted as the glucuronic and sulphate conjugates) whilst 3:4-dichlorophenylmercapturic acid is a minor metabolite (5% of the dose); conjugates of 2:3-dichlorophenol, 4:5-dichlorocatechol & 3:4-catechol are also excreted as minor metabolites; excretion of 1,2-DCB metabolites is slow, being completed within 5-6 days after

dosing

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Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rabbits

Strain: Chinchilla Number of animals: 3 Sex: not stated

Route of Administration: gavage

Dose: 500 mg/kg bw Exposure Period: 48 hr Frequency of Treatment: once

Control Group:
GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs.: 6-day period; daily urinalysis of glucuronic acid, ethereal sulphate, total catechols and

mercapturic acid

14-AUG-2001 (16)

Type: Metabolism

Remark: A time-dependent increase in the metabolism of 1,2-DCB to

aqueous soluble metabolites excreted into the incubation medium; metabolites retained by the liver slices remained

low

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Fischer-344 Number of animals: 3

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: dynamic organ culture

Dose: 0.5 mM

Exposure Period: 2h, 4h and 6h Frequency of Treatment: once

Control Group: GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs.: determine 1,2-DCB metabolites excreted by the rat liver slice system following exposure to 1,2-DCB

24-AUG-2001 (20)

Type: Metabolism

Remark: A time-dependent increase in the concentration of aqueous

soluble metabolites into the incubation medium and not the liver slices; the variability between metabolism amongst  $\,$ 

individual human livers was marked

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: human

Number of samples: 3

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: dynamic organ culture

Dose: 0.5 mM

Exposure Period: 2h, 4h and 6h Frequency of Treatment: once

Control Group:
GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs.: determine 1,2-DCB metabolites excreted by human liver slice system following exposure to 1,2-DCB

30-AUG-2001 (21)

Type: Metabolism

Remark: whole-body exposure to 1,2-DCB vapours for 4 hours; the MAL

(median active level of exposure) required for eliciting a 50 % decrease in hepatic glucose-6-phosphatase staining intensity was 598 ppm (= ca.3.66 mg/l); the MAL responsible for a 50 % decrease in the respiratory rate of mice (RD50)

was 181 ppm (= ca. 1.11 mg/l), following a 15 minute

exposure to 1,2-DCB

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: mice

Strain: Swiss OF1

Number of animals: 6 per exposure level

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: inhalation

Dose: 116, 153, 196 and 273 ppm (15 min); 392-976 ppm (4 h)

Exposure Period: 15 minutes and 4-h

Frequency of Treatment: once

Control Group:
GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs.: upper respiratory tract irritation (15 min exposure); hepatic glucose-6-phosphatase staining

intensity ( 4-h exposure)

Test substance: 1,2-DCB > 99% purity

24-AUG-2001 (82)

Type: Metabolism

Remark: 1,2-DCB (all doses) resulted in significant body weight

loss after 3 days; the relative liver weight was

significantly increased and a rise in plasma ALT levels was

observable at all doses; after 72 hours, distinct

treatment-related histopathological changes in the liver were observable which were characterized by centrilobular hypertrophy and by hepatocellular degeneration and fibrosis (all doses); no change in the relative kidney weight or any treatment-related histopathological findings; 1 and 2 mmol/kg bw dosed animals at the same time point revealed a

mmol/kg bw dosed animals at the same time point reveale significant decrease in plasma total T4 and T3 levels, although alterations in hepatic thyroxine cannot be

discounted as a mechanism for reduced levels of  $\operatorname{plasma}$ 

thyroid hormone

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rats Strain: Wistar

No. of animals: 4 animals per dose

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: intraperitoneal

Dose: 1, 2, and 4 mmol/kg (= 147, 294 or 588 mg/kg bw) in arachidis oil (controls received arachidis oil)

Exposure Period: 24, 48, and 72h

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Renal: Body and organ (kidney and liver) weight, liver histopathology, liver alanine asparagine aminotransferase (ALT), kidney glutathione (GSH), plasma blood urea nitrogen (BUN), and plasma thyroid hormones

thyroxine (T4) and triiodothyronine (T3) levels

Test substance: >98% purity

10-SEP-2001 (88)

Type: Metabolism

Remark: 1,2-DCB metabolism was greatest in human adult than fetal

samples; levels of 1,2-DCB metabolites (glucuronides, sulfates and glutathione and cysteine conjugates) and covalent binding were compared to levels for 1,3-DCB and

1,4-DCB

Source: NICNAS

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Test condition: Species: rat and human adult and fetal liver slices

Strain: Sprague Dawley
Number of animals: 3 rats

Sex:

Route of Administration: organ culture

Dose: 0.1 mM Testing Period:

Frequency of testing: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: covalent binding; metabolite formation:

glucuronide, glutathione-cysteine, and sulfate

14-AUG-2001 (98)

Type: Metabolism

Remark: 1,2-DCB significantly increased hepatic

UDP-glucuronyltransferase activity toward chloramphenicol and p-nitrophenol; no significant increase in the enzyme activity of hepatic microsomal NADPH-cytochrome c reductase was noted; a moderate decrease in hepatic cytochrome P-450

content and a reduction in the hepatic activity of

NADH-cytochrome b5 reductase was observed

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Wistar

Number of animals: 4-8

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: intraperitoneal (i.p.)

Dose: 1.36 mmol/kg
Testing Period:

Frequency of testing: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: effect of 1,2-DCB on microsomal

drug-metabolising enzymes: reduced nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate (NADPH)-cytochrome c reductase; NADH-cytochrome b5 reductase; cytochrome-P450 content; and uridine diphosphate (UDP)-glucuronyltransferase (UDPGT)

14-AUG-2001 (138)

Type: Metabolism

Remark: 24 hours after administration there was no significant

increase in the activity of benzo(a) pyrene hydroxylase in either the intestine or liver when compared to controls  ${\ }^{\prime}$ 

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Sprague-Dawley Number of animals: 5

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: intraperitoneal (i.p.)

Dose: 500 mg/kg
Testing Period:

Frequency of testing: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: effect of 1,2-DCB on liver and intestinal

benzo(a)pyrene hydroxylase activity (AHH)

25-JUL-2001 (162)

Type: Metabolism

Remark: rabbits received single oral doses of 500 mg/kg bw of o-di-

chlorobenzene: the following metabolites were excreted with the urine within 5 days (values given as % of dose excreted): mercapturic acid (5 %), monophenols (40 %), catechols

(4 %), total O-conjugates = conjugated glucuronic acid +

ethereal sulphate (69 %)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (292)

Type: Metabolism

Remark: The paper examines the relative contribution of various

human cytochrome P450 enzymes in the formation of phenolic metabolites from 1,2-DCB with microsomes derived from various cell lines. Incubation of 1,2-DCB with microsomes containing specific human P450 enzymes and human liver microsomes revealed similar effects. Essentially, CYP2E1 induced the formation of phenolic metabolites 23TCP and 34TCP (349 and 1210 pmol.min-1.nmol P450-1, respectively) from 1,2-DCB. These activities were inhibited in the presence of acetone in both systems. Caution should be taken in interpreting the data since only one substrate concentration was investigated (100 uM), differences in Km, therefore, are not taken into account, in particular in respect to in vivo extrapolation. Moreover, the degree of phenolic metabolites is also dependant upon the enzymatic

activity and concentration of candidate CYP enzyme involved.

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: Human liver microsomes and various cell lines

Route of Administration: ex vitro Substrate concentration: 100 uM (final)

Incubation Period: 10-30 minutes (HPLC determination)

Frequency of Incubation: once

GLP: no data

Post Incubation Obs: see Remark Freetext

Test substance: not stated

19-JUL-2001 (132)

Type: Metabolism

Remark: Human liver slices metabolised 1,2-DCB to a greater extent

than those from rats; total metabolism and covalent binding did not correlate with cytotoxicity; glutathione-cysteine conjugate was the major metabolite for 1,2-DCB in rat and

human liver slices

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat and humans

Strain: Sprague-Dawley and Fischer-344 rats No. of animals: 4 per strain and 7 humans

Sex: M

Route of Administration: in vitro

Dose: 1 mM

Frequency of Treatment: 2 and 6 h incubations in culture

medium

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: comparative metabolism and covalent binding of reactive metabolites of 1,2-[14C]-DCB

in liver slices

Test substance: 1,2-DCB 99% pure dissolved in 1% DMSO

05-SEP-2001 (102)

Type: Metabolism

Remark: Water-soluble metabolites after the addition of

1,2-[14C]-DCB to microsomal preparations showed

substantial species and sex differences. Microsomes from female rats metabolised o-DCB faster than their male equivalents; microsomes from male mice were more efficient

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with respect to 1,2-DCB metabolism than microsomes from female mice; Microsomal metabolism of 1,2-DCB was 7-fold faster by mice compared to rats; covalent binding of metabolites was higher in mice of both sexes compared to rats; induction of CYP2E1 by benzene inhalation resulted in increased metabolism of 1,2-DCB in rats but induction of CYP3A by pregnenolone 16-alpha-carbonitrile did not increase metabolism except in female rats where a 6-fold increase was recorded.

NICNAS

Test condition:

Source:

Species: rat and mouse hepatic microsomes Strain: SPF (Wistar strain) and B6C3F1

No. of animals: not stated

Sex: both sexes

Route of Administration: in vitro

Dose: 0.1 mM

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: 1,2-DCB metabolites with or without

induction of CYP3A or CYP2E1

14-AUG-2001 (186)

Type: Toxicokinetics

Remark: BDPF flow was significantly increased and BDPF protein

concentration significantly reduced compared to controls;

SGPT activity remained affected

Source: NICNAS
Test condition: Species

Species: rat
Strain: Holtzman

No. of animals: 4 or more

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: intraperitoneal injection

(1 ml/kg)

Dose: 5 mmol/kg

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Rat bile duct-pancreatic fluid (BDPF) flow, protein concentration and serum glutamic pyruvic transaminase (SGPT) activity were monitored 24 h after

1,2-DCB exposure

10-SEP-2001 (295)

Type: other

Remark: increased state 4 respiration and a decreased state 3

respiration

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat (hepatocytes)

Strain: Donryu No. of animals: 2

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: ex vivo

Dose: 0.24 mM

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Inhibitory effects of 1,2-DCB on mitochondrial respiration based upon oxygen consumption and

the degree of inhibition in State 3 and 4 respiration

14-AUG-2001 (192)

Type: other

Remark: rats received twice daily dermal applications of o-di-

chlorobenzene (skin painting on the shaved ventral side; size of site of application: ca. 10 square centimetres); the treatment was tolerated very badly by the animals; one rat died after 5 applications showing signs of severe general damage; another rat died after 9 administrations and gross examination showed a light-spotted liver and renal changes; no dermal changes were observable at the site of application

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (216)

Type: other: 1,2-DCB effects on Staes 3 and 4 oxidative respiration Remark: 1,2-DCB induced a decrease in respiratory control index via inhibition of Stae 3 respiration and /or acceleration of

State 4 respiration in parallel with significant K+ efflux

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat (hepatocytes)

Strain: Donryu No. of animals: 2 Sex: Male

Route of Administration: ex vivo

Dose: 0.24 mM

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Inhibitory effects of 1,2-DCB on

mitochondrial respiration based upon oxygen consumption and

the degree of inhibition in State 3 and 4

19-JUL-2001 (193)

Type: other: 1,2-DCB effects on rat pancreas and liver

Remark: 1,2-DCB induced a statistically significant change in BDPF

parameters: BDPF flow increased by greater than 900% whilst BDPF protein concetration decreased by at least 75% compared to vehicle controls; chloride, bile flow and SGPT activity were all unchanged compared to vehicle control treated

animals

Source: NICNAS
Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Holtzman

Number of animals: 4 (minimum)

Sex: M

Route of Administration: intraperitoneal (ip) Dose: 5 mmol/kg (50% solution in sesame oil)

Testing Period: 24 h Frequency of testing: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Pancreatic-hepatobiliary function: bile duct-pancreatic fluid (BDPF; mg/min/kg bw) flow; PDPF

protein and electrolyte concentration; SGPT activity

11-APR-2001 (294)

Type: other: 1,2-DCB in milk fat

Remark: Gas chromatographic and mass spectral identification of

1,2-DCB was confirmed in cow milk fat; its origin may be

from pesticides

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: The authors identify volatiles (including 1,2-DCB) in

irradiated milk fat; processes used: ethyl ether extraction and gas-liquid chromatographic separation; rapid scan-mass

spectrometry

24-AUG-2001 (140)

Type: other: 1,2-DCB partition coefficient(s)

Remark: Blood/air partition coefficient for 1,2-DCB was 423 (at 37

degrees centigrade)

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: the partition coefficient of blood/air for 1,2-DCB was

determined by means of a vial-equilibration method

14-AUG-2001 (229)

Type: other: 1,2-DCB residues in Human Fat & Milk

Remark: Arithmetic means for 1,2-DCB levels detected were: 13 ug/kg

(adipose tissue) and 9 ug/kg (breast milk)

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species:Human

Number of samples: 15 (adipose tissue) and 12 (breast milk) Sex: Male and Female (adipose tissue); Female (breast milk) Route of Administration: ex vivo samples derived from

Noute of Administration, ex vivo samples deliver

adipose tissue and breast  $\mbox{milk}$ 

Post Exposure Obs: Capillary GL chromatographic analysis of

1,2-DCB in adipose tissue and breast milk

14-AUG-2001 (133)

Type: other: 1,2-DCB residues in Market Milk & Fat

Remark: Arithmetic means for 1,2-DCB levels detected were: 2.6 ng/g

(cows milk) and 1 ng/g (fresh meat)

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: Cow

Number of samples: 9 (raw milk) and 3 (fresh beef)

Route of Administration: biological monitoring in ex vivo

samples derived from cows milk and beef samples

Post Exposure Obs: Gas chromatographic analysis of

1,2-DCB in cows milk and beef samples

14-AUG-2001 (134)

Type: other: Excretion and Metabolism of 1,2,4-TCB

Remark: Small amounts of 1,2-DCB were excreted in the expired air;

reductive dechlorination of TCB to 1,2-DCB in vivo; approximately 66% and 17% excreted in urine and feces

respectively as within 168 h however 1,2-DCB

metabolites were not detected

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Wistar

Sex: Male

Number of animals: 3-5 per group Route of Administration: perorally Dose: 50 mg/kg [14C]-1,2,4-TCB Exposure Period: 12, 24,48 and 168 h

Frequency of Treatment: once

Control Group:
GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs.: Excretion and metabolism of 1,2,4-TCB

30-AUG-2001 (250)

Type: other: Metabolism

Remark: experimental design: the rats received two doses of 100 or

300 mg/kg bw of 1,2-DCB; the first dose was given 21 hours before sacrifice of the rats; the second dose was given 4

hours before sacrifice

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Result: the hepatic ornithine decarboxylase activity was increased

at 300 mg/kg: the other biochemical assays showed no significant changes; no deaths occurred (mortality: 0/8); an increase in only he-patic ornithine decarboxylase activity but not in hepaticcytochrome P-450 content is considered a

negative result forcell proliferation

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Sprague-Dawley Number of animals:

Sex: Female

Route of Administration: gavage

Dose: 100 or 300 mg/kg bw

Testing Period:

Frequency of testing: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: the effects of 1,2-DCB on four

biochemical assays: hepatic DNA damage by alkaline elution; hepatic ornithine decarboxylase activity; serum alanine aminotransferase activity and hepatic cytochrome P-450

content were determined

05-SEP-2001 (144)

Type: other: Oxidative Stress related Hepatotoxicity

Remark: Liver and serum levels of lipid peroxidation products

increased in a time-dependent manner and were detected at 3 hours in the liver and at 12 hours in serum; serum ALT activity increased in a time-dependent manner; extensive

staining of lipid peroxidation-protein adducts in

centrilobular regions at 24 hours; 1,2-DCB-induced a marked decrease in serum ALT activity in the absence of necrosis; Kupffer cells from rats at 24 hours showed a 3-fold increase in basal superoxide production from treated animals; PMA (Phorbol Myristate Acetate) stimulation in Kupffer cells of 1,2-DCB-treated animals resulted in 72% more superoxide

compared to untreated controls  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) \left$ 

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Fischer 344 Number of animals: 3

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: intraperitoneal (ip)

Dose: 3.6 mmol/kg Testing Period: 48 h

Frequency of testing: 3, 12, 16, 24 and 48 h

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: liver and serum lipid peroxidation products (through the formation of 4-HNE protein adducts); serum ALT activity and changes in liver histopathology

Test substance: 1,2-DCB in corn oil: purity not stated

14-AUG-2001 (128)

Type: other: Toxicokinetics and Metabolism

Remark: Highest concentrations of 1,2-[14C]-DCB were found at 6 hours in the kidney, urinary bladder, perirenal fat, liver,

small intestine, and skin (including subcutaneous fat);

urinary metabolites included 2,3-dichlorophenol,

3,4-dichlorophenol and their sulfate and mercapturic acid derivatives; no significant differences were observed in metabolic profiles for different doses of 1,2-DCB and no hydroquinone or quinone metabolites were detected; recovery

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of urinary (75-85%) and faecal (19% low dose and 7% high dose) radioactivity indicated excretion was essentially complete within 24 hours at the lower doses and by 48 hours

for the high dose

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Wistar (Crl: (WI) WUBR)

Number of animals: 3 per/dose time-point

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: gavage Dose: 5, 50, or 250 mg/kg bw Testing Period: 1-96 h Frequency of testing: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: tissue distribution, elimination, and

urinary metabolites of 1,2-DCB were investigated

Test substance: 1,2-DCB purity at least 98%

20-AUG-2001 (126)

Type: other: Toxicokinetics and Metabolism

Remark: Major metablites of 1,2-[14C]DCB by rat hepatic

microsomes: 2,3-dichlorophenol, 3,4-dichlorophenol and

dihydrodiol and glutathione-epoxide conjugates;

sprague-Dawley microsomes the least active however highest covalent binding (31%); F344 rats possessed lowest level of epoxide hydrolase activity; microsomes produced mainly one glutathione epoxide conjugate and amount increased by phenobarbital induction, indicating CYP2B1/2 enzymes are

primarily involved in the metabolism of 1,2-DCB

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Wistar (Crl:(WI)WUBR); Fischer-344 (F344);

Sprague-Dawley
Number of animals: 3

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: gavage

Dose: 80 uM

Testing Period: 15 minutes (ex vivo)

Frequency of testing: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Metabolism and covalent binding of 1,2-[14C]DCB by rat hepatic microsomes; epoxide hydrolase activity; glutathione-epoxide conjugates;

phenobarbital induction to determine species of microsomes

Test substance: 1,2-D[14C]B radiochemical purity > 98%

20-AUG-2001 (124)

Type: other: Toxicokinetics and Metabolism

Remark: Using hepatic microsomes determined in vitro Vmax and Km:

0.14 nmol/mg protein/min and 4.8 uM (rat) and 0.27 nmol/mg/min and 7.5 uM (humans); data used in

physiologically based pahrmacokinetic model

Source: NICNAS
Test condition: Species

ion: Species: Strain:

Number of animals:

Sex:

Route of Administration:

Dose:

Testing Period: Frequency of testing:

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GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Using a 'fitted' Michaelis-Menten constant for Vmax and Km, GSH-depletion and covalent binding was monitored as a mechanism of 1,2-DCB oxidation in rat liver microsomes; physiologic and biochemical parameters, partition coefficients and adsorption rate constants are also determined

05-SEP-2001 (125)

Type: other: Toxicokinetics and Metabolism (role of P450 enzymes in

the biotransformation of 1,2-DCB to epoxide metabolites in

man)

Remark: Metabolites produced included 2,3-dichlorophenol,

3,4-dichlorophenol and dihydrodiol and glutathione-epoxide conjugates; glutathione conjugation was catalysed by glutathione-S-transferases; the rate of conversion of 1,2-DCB was 0.14 nmol/min/mg protein; covalent binding amounted to 4.6% of total metabolites; addition of glutathione to the microsomal preparations resulted in increased formation of glutathione-epoxide conjugates and a decrease in dihydrodiol formation; inhibition of epoxide hydrolase resulted in a decrease in dihydrodiols and increased covalent binding; the presence of ascorbic acid did not affect covalent binding to human microsomes; CYP2E1

is the major human cytochrome involved the metabolism of

1,2-DCB

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: human

Strain:

Number of samples: liver microsomes (pooled from 5

individuals)

Sex:

Route of Administration: ex vivo Dose: 0.85 kBq [1,2-14C]DCB Testing Period: 15 minutes Frequency of testing: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Metabolism and covalent binding of [1,2-14C]DCB by human hepatic microsomes; epoxide hydrolase activity; glutathione-epoxide conjugation;

phenobarbital induction to determine species of microsomes

05-SEP-2001 (124)

Type: other: acute toxicity

Remark: a dog was exposed via inhalation to o-dichlorobenzene at

a concentration of 2 ml per cubic metre (= ca.  $2.64 \, \text{mg/l}$ ) for 1 hour; no signs of toxicity were observable; in a further experiment the dog was exposed to 4 ml per cubic metre (= ca.  $5.29 \, \text{mg/l}$ ) of o-dichlorobenzene: transient

drowsiness occurred

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

11-APR-2001 (216)

Type: other: acute toxicity

Remark: mice, rats and guinea pigs were exposed via inhalation

for 1 hour to an atmosphere saturated with o-dichlorobenzene; the mice showed transient central stimulation lasting ca. 20 minutes; afterwards depression of the central nervous system, muscle twitching, irregular respiration and cyanosis occurred and the animals died within 24 hours; the rats and guinea pigs also showed central stimulation,

but they recovered within a few hours and no deaths oc-

curred

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

11-OCT-1993 (216)

Type: other: acute toxicity

Remark: rats were exposed to atmospheres saturated with o-dichlorobenzene at various temperatures (20, 30 or 95 degrees Centigrade) by dynamic vaporisation (whole-body exposure; exposure time: 0.5, 1, 3 or 7 hours; observation period: 14

days); deaths occurred in male and female rats exposed for 7 hours at 20 degrees Centigrade, in male rats exposed for 7 hours at 30 degrees Centigrade, in male and female rats exposed for 7 hours at 30 degrees Centigrade, in male and female rats exposed for 1 or 3 hours at 95 degrees Centigrade and in female rats exposed for 7 hours at 95 degrees Centigrade; signs of toxicity: behaviour disorder, difficulty of breathing, sedation, irritation of the visible mucous membranes of eyes

and noses, state of agitation

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

18-OCT-1993 (25)

Type: other: acute toxicity

Remark: male rats were injected (i.p.) with 2 or 3 mmol/kg bw (= 294 or 441 mg/kg bw) of o-dichlorobenzene; hepatic and renal toxicity was quantitated 24 hours after injection of o-dichlorobenzene; plasma transaminase activity was increased by o-dichlorobenzene as a function of dose admin-

istered; hepatic degeneration (centrilobular necrosis) was evident in the treated animals within 24 hours after injection of o-dichlorobenzene; the kidneys of animals treated with 2 mmol/kg bw of o-dichlorobenzene were of relatively normal integrity; blood urea nitrogen levels were not altered within 24 hours after treatment; renal cortical slice accumulation of p-aminohippurate or tetraethylammon-

ium was decreased at 3 or 2 mmol/kg bw, respectively
Bayer AG Leverkusen

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen
03-NOV-1993 (266)

Type: other: acute toxicity

Remark: male rats received a single i.p. injection of 4 mmol/kg bw (= 588 mg/kg bw): increased urine output and decreased food consumption were observable; hepatic toxicity was characterized by increased liver weight and a marked elevation in plasma transaminase activity; renal alterations were characterized by increased kidney weight at 48 hours, increased proteinuria and alterations in organic ion accu-

mulation; renal cortical slice uptake of p-aminohippurate and tetraethylammonium were decreased within 24 hours after treatment while only basal p-aminohippurate uptake was de-

creased at 48 hours

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

03-NOV-1993 (266)

Type: other: acute toxicity

Remark: 1,2-DCB (2 or 3 mmol/kg) induced a significant increase in plasma ALT and BUN levels associated with increases in

CYP2E1 and CYP2B activity; plasma ALT activity markedly increased in pyridine treated animals for both dose levels the effect being less marked following phenobarbital or b-napthoflavone pretreatment; liver weights increased in all

three treatment groups for both dose levels; liver

> histopathology revealed centrilobular damage at 2 mmol/kg being most marked at 3 mmol/kg; urinary output increased

approximately 3-fold in 3 mmol/kg treated animals; phenobarbital and pyridine pretreatment resulted in renal toxicity (as increased BUN); kidney weights were also

increased following 1,2-DCB exposure for each of the three

inducing agents

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Fischer 344

No. of animals: 4 animals per group

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: intraperitoneal (ip)

Dose: 2 or 3 mmol/kg bw; 294 or 441 mg/kg bw, respectively

Exposure Period:

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Plasma alanine aminotransferase (ALT) and blood urea nitrogen (BUN) levels and urinary output as

determinants of acute hepatic and renal toxicity of 1,2-DCB were assessed following ip pretreatment with phenobarbital

(to induce CYP2A1, CYP2A2 and CYP 2B),

betanaphthoflavone (to induce CYP1A1), pyridine (to induce CYP2E1) or piperonyl butoxide (to inhibit mixed function

oxidase)

24-AUG-2001 (267)

Type: other: cell transformation assay

Remark: cell transformation assay: adult rat liver cell lines

> (established from the liver of F344 rats) were incubated with 1,2-DCB at a concentration of 131 mg/l; 1,2-DCB induced weak cell transformation in adult rat liver epithelial cells

> > (233)

Bayer AG Leverkusen Source:

Test condition: Species: Rat (hepatocyte cell lines)

> Strain: F344 No. of animals:

Sex:

Route of Administration: in vitro

Dose: 131 mg/l Exposure (h):

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: cell transformation

other TS: purity = 98.8 % Test substance:

10-SEP-2001

other: effect of 1,2-DCB on sulphur metabolism in dogs Type: urinary output of sulphur was increased in 1,2-DCB dosed Remark:

animals compared to controls

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: dog

Number of animals: 5 Sex: not stated

Route of Administration: gavage Dose: 50 mg/kg/bw or 250 mg/kg/bw

Testing Period:

Frequency of testing: 4

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: effect of 1,2-DCB on sulphur metabolism

as measured in the urine

24-AUG-2001 (57) (119)

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Type: other: hepatotoxic effects

Remark: 1,2-DCB dosed animals revealed hepatic glycogen loss and minimal necrosis of centrolobular parenchymal cells; phenobarbital pretreated animals followed by exposure to

1,2-DCB revealed a marked increase in centrolobular hepatotoxicity via glycogen loss and massive hepatic

necrosis NICNAS

Source: Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Sprague-Dawley (NIH)

Number of animals: 4

Sex: M

Route of Administration: intraperitoneal (i.p.) Doses: not stated (in 0.03 ml sesame oil)

Exposure Period: 24 hr Frequency of Treatment: once Control Group: sesame oil

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: hepatocellular morphology in 1,2-DCB and

phenobarbital (80 mg/kg bw, i.p.) pretreated animals

05-SEP-2001 (43)

other: hepatotoxic effects Type:

Remark: Following single 4 h exposure 1,2-DCB increased GPT, GLDH

and SDH activity at

concentrations of 305 ppm or more, GOT activity was increased at concentrations greater than or equal to 609 ppm; only minor enzyme activity changes following repeated

exposure NICNAS

Source: Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Sprague-Dawley

No. of animals: 8 per treatment/control group

Sex. Male

Route of Administration: inhalation

Dose: 204-774 ppm

Exposure Period: single treatment of 4 h or 6 h daily for

2-4 days

Frequency of Treatment:

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Hepatotoxic responses: Serum glutamate dehydrogenase (GLDH); glutamic oxaloacetic transaminase (GOT); glutamic pyruvic transaminase (GPT) and sorbitol

dehydrogenase (SDH) activities

1,2-DCB purity >99.0% Test substance:

10-SEP-2001 (44)

other: hepatotoxic effects Type:

Significant dose-dependent increase in GLDH and SDH above Remark:

369 ppm; linear concentration-dependent decrease in

centrolobular G6-Pase staining intensity

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Sprague-Dawley

No. of animals: 10 per treatment/control group

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: inhalation

Dose: 246-739 ppm

Exposure Period: Controls and one treated group at 4 h

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Serum glutamate dehydrogenase (GLDH) and sorbitol dehydrogenase (SDH) activities; centrilobular liver-cell injury determined by glucose-6-phosphatase

(G-6-Pase) staining intensity

Test substance: 99% pure

20-AUG-2001 (47)

Type: other: hepatotoxic effects

Remark: Pre-exposure to ketones (except acetone) enhanced

1,2-DCB-induced increase in serum GLDH activity, while increases in cytochrome P-450 content and GST activity were

similar to levels seen in ketone only exposures

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Sprague-Dawley

No. of animals: 5 per treatment/control group

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: inhalation

Dose: 374-392 ppm

Exposure Period: 4 h 1,2-DCB with and without pretreatment

with ketones

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Liver function tests were conducted by

monitoring serum glutamate dehydrogenase (GLDH)

activity; hepatic cytochrome P-450 content; hepatic glutathione-S-transferase (GST) activity; 1,2-DCB effects

were also examined in Ketone pretreated animals

20-AUG-2001 (48)

Type: other: hepatotoxic effects

Remark: a time-dependent statistically significant decrease in

intracellular K+, increase in LDH leakage, and inhibition of protein synthesis was observed up to 6 h in 2 mM dosed animals; the effect was time-dependent with statistically significant results occurring at 6 h for protein synthesis

and 4 h for LDH release

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: human

No. of animals: 10 human donor/biopsy liver tissue

Route of Administration: ex vivo incubation

Dose: 0.1 mM; 1 mM and 2 mM Exposure Period: 2 h, 4 h and 6 h Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: three viability parameters were used to assess toxicity were; membrane integrity: potassium (K+) content; Lactate Dehydrogenase (LDH); and protein synthesis

Test substance: purity 99%

05-SEP-2001 (99)

Type: other: hepatotoxic effects

Remark: o-dichlorobenzene was administered i.p. at a dose of

5.4 mmol/kg bw (= 794 mg/kg bw) to two different strains of rats, i.e. Fischer-344 and Sprague Dawley rats; Fischer-344 rats administered o-dichlorobenzene had 75 fold greater plasma alanine aminotransferase activities than the Sprague Dawley rats; morphological examination of liver obtained from Fischer-344 and Sprague Dawley rats confirmed the great difference in hepatotoxicity induced by o-dichlorobenzene; pretreat-

ment (i.p.) of animals with phenobarbital potentiated the hepatotoxicity of o-dichlorobenzene in both strains of rats administered a non hepatotoxic dose of 0.9 mmol/

kg bw (= 132 mg/kg bw) of o-dichlorobenzene

Source:

23-JUL-2001 (112)

Type: other: hepatotoxic effects

Remark: the hepatotoxicity of o-dichlorobenzene, as determined by

plasma alanine aminotransferase activity and histopathology in male Fischer-344 and Sprague Dawley rats, was compared at doses of 0.9, 1.8, 4.5 or 5.4 mmol/kg bw (= 132, 265, 662 or 794 mg/kg bw); within this dose range Fischer-344 rats demonstrated a dose dependent increase in alanine aminotransferase activity, whereas, Sprague Dawley rats were resistant to o-dichlorobenzene induced elevation in alanine aminotransferase activity; histopathology studies of animals dosed with o-dichlorobenzene (5.4 mmol/kg bw) exhibited centrilobular necrosis in Fischer-344 rats but not in Sprague Dawley rats (route of administration unspe-

cified, probably i.p.)
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01-SEP-1993 (113)

Type: other: hepatotoxic effects

Remark: Plasma ALT levels were significantly elevated over control

values in animals receiving 1,2-DCB alone while pretreatment with methyl palmitate resulted in an 80% decrease in plasma ALT activity; a significant decrease of 70% in serum ALT activity was also noted in animals pretreated with SOD, prior to 1,2-DCB administration; the protective effect of methyl palmitate and superoxide dismutase was confirmed by histopathology; neither methyl palmitate nor superoxide dismutase conferred protection in phenobarbital treated

animals

Source: NICNAS
Test condition: Species: Rat

Strain: Fischer-344

No. of animals: not stated

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: intraperitoneal (i.p.)

Dose: 3.6 mmol/kg bw (= 529 mg/kg bw)

Exposure Period:

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Serum ALT levels and liver histopathology with and without pre-treatment with methyl palmitate (an

inhibitor of Kupffer cell activity); with and

without pretreated with the superoxide scavenger, superoxide

dismutase (SOD; as the polyethylene glycol conjugate)

20-AUG-2001 (111)

Type: other: hepatotoxic effects

Remark: Covalent binding within necrotic centrolobular hepatocytes

was detectable 6 and 24 hours following i.p. administration of 14C-labeled 1,2-DCB (1.33 mmole/kg bw); phenobarbital

induction potentiated the appearance of necrotic

centrolobular hepatocytes, hepatic glycogen loss and massive

necrosis

Source: NICNAS
Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Sprague-Dawley

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No. of animals: 3 to 6

Sex: M

Route of Administration: Intraperitoneal (i.p.)

Dose: 0.1 - 1.33 mmol/kg bwExposure Period: 6 and 24 h Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: hepatic morphology; effect of

phenobarbital pretreatment on hepatic 1,2-DCB concentration

and protein binding

24-AUG-2001 (211) (212)

Type: other: hepatotoxic effects

Remark: in vitro assay: rat liver slices were incubated with

o-dichlorobenzene; at 1.0 mM (= 147 mg/l), o-dichlorobenzene resulted in an inhibition of protein synthesis, in a loss of intracellular K+ content and in re-

lease of lactate dehydrogenase

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15-OCT-1993 (239)

other: hepatotoxic effects Type:

Remark: 1,2-DCB treated animals exhibited an significant increase in

> plasma GPT activity 24 hours post treatment; concomitant CC14 treatment resulted in: a marginal elevation in GPT

activity; 50% reduction in urinary and

faecal elimination of 1,2-DCB metabolites, significantly reduced aqueous soluble 1,2-DCB metabolites in the liver and

3-fold increase in expired umetabolised 1,2-DCB

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat Strain: F-344

No. of animals: 3 to 6 per strain

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: Intraperitoneal (i.p.)

Dose: 2.7 mmol/kg bw (= 397 mg/kg bw)

+ concomitant i.p. injection of carbon tetrachloride (CC14)

at a single dose of 1.0 mmol/kg bw (= 154 mg/kg bw)

Exposure Period:

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: plasma glutamate-pyruvate transaminase (GPT) activity and excretion of 1,2-DCB metabolites with and

without CCl4 treatment

20-AUG-2001 (244) (245)

other: hepatotoxic effects Type:

the three isomers of dichlorobenzene exhibited marked Remark:

> differences in hepatotoxicity following i.p. administration in male F344 rats; plasma glutamate-pyruvate transaminase activity, measured 24 hours post exposure, was markedly elevated following a 1.8 mmol/kg bw (= 265 mg/ kg bw) dose of o-dichlorobenzene; m-dichlorobenzene produced only a moderate elevation following a 4.5 mmol/kg bw (= 662 mg/kg bw) dose, while p-dichlorobenzene produced no elevation in glutamate-pyruvate transaminase activity at this dose; ultra-structurally, o- and m-dichlorobenzene induced elevations in glutamate-pyruvate transaminase activity were associated with a centrolobular pattern of hepatic necrosis; the role of cytochrome P-450 mediated bioactivation in dichlorobenzene-induced hepato-

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toxicity was demonstrated by elevated glutamate-pyruvate transaminase activities following an otherwise nontoxic 0.9 mmol/kg bw (= 132 mg/kg bw) dose of either o- or m-dichlorobenzene in phenobarbital-pretreated animals; the p-isomer of dichlorobenzene showed no induction of toxicity with phenobarbital-pretreatment; hepatic glutathione concentrations were reduced 0.5, 3 and 5 hours after a 1.8 mmol/kg bw dose of either o- or m-dichlorobenzene Bayer AG Leverkusen

Source:

24-JUL-2001 (243)

Type: other: hepatotoxic effects

Remark: Soluble metabolites of 1,2-DCB correlated with the covalent binding of radiolabel to hepatic proteins over a 12 to 24

hour period;

1,2-DCB treatment resulted in a substantial loss in hepatic

glutathione content at 1.5 hours; highly significant

increase in ALT levels was observed for 1,2-DCB doses of 265 mg/kg bw or greater; histological examination revealed severe centrilobular hepatic damage; prior phenobarbital treatment associated hepatotoxicity with hepatic cytochrome

P450; depletion of hepatic glutathione by phorone

pre-treatment resulted in a significant increase in plasma ALT levels 24 hours after administration with 1,2-DCB

demonstrating a role for glutathione in

mediating the hepatotoxicity of 1,2-DCB; F344 strain are more sensitive to 1,2-DCB hepatotoxicity determined by large increase in plasma ALT levels at 24 hours compared with no

increase in S-D rats. NICNAS

Source: Test condition:

Species: rat

Strain: Fischer-344 and Sprague-Dawley

No. of animals: 3-8 per dose

Sex: M

Route of Administration: Intraperitoneal (i.p.) Dose: 0.9-5.4 mmol/kg bw (132 -794 mg/kg bw)

Exposure Period:

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Plasma alanine aminotransferase (ALT) activity and in vivo covalent binding of 1,2-[14C]-DCB (0.9 mmol/kg bw; 132 mg/kg bw) equivalents to hepatic proteins with and without hepatic glutathione depletion; liver

histology

Test substance: 1,2-DCB purity > 99%

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Type: other: hepatotoxic effects

Remark: successive exposure to Ketones and 1,2-DCB provoked a

significant decrease in G-6-Pase staining intensity in the centrolobular area (29-42%) relative to 1,2-DCB controls

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: mouse

Strain: OF1

No. of animals: 8 per treatment/control group

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: inhalation

Dose: 250-288 ppm 1,2-DCB with or without pretreatment with

ketones

Exposure Period: 4 h

Frequency of Treatment: once

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GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: centrilobular liver-cell injury was evaluated by glucose-6-phosphatase (G-6-Pase) staining

intensity

20-AUG-2001 (48)

Type: other: hepatoxicicty

Remark: Metabolism of 1,2-DCB by rat hepatic microsomes produced

2,3-dichlorophenol and 3,4-dichlorophenol as the major metabolites; dichlorophenols were further metabolised to their respective dichlorohydroquinone derivatives; minor conversion products of 1,2-DCB were 3,4-dichlorocatechol and

4,5-dichlorocatechol

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rats

Strain: Wistar Sex: Male

Route of Administration: in vitro rat hepatic microsomes

Dose: 0.8 mM (final concentration) Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs.: identification of rat hepatic microsomal

induced metabolism of 1,2-DCB

Test substance: 1,2-DCB 98.8% purity (1.04% impurity as an apolar fraction

did not coincide with metabolite foramtion)

20-AUG-2001 (87)

Type: other: metabolism (human microsomes)

Remark: Metabolism of 1,2-[14C]-DCB correlated well with CYP2E1

levels but not with other cytochromes tested (1A2, 2A6, 2B6,

2C9 or 3A4); 1,2-DCB metabolism was inhibited by

approximately 90% in the presence of the CYP2E1 inhibitor,

diethyldithiocarbamate

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: human hepatic microsomes

Sex: male

Route of Administration: in vitro

Dose: 0.1 mM

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: 1,2-DCB metabolites with or without induction of CYP substrates including 2E1, 1A2, 2A6, 2B6,

2C9, and 3A4.

24-JUL-2001 (186)

Type: other: metabolites of 1,2-DCB in rats

Remark: Analysis of urine and blood showed the presence of 2,3- and

3,4-dichlorophenyl methyl sulfoxides and 2,3- and

3,4-dichlorophenyl methyl sulfones; i.p. treated animals showed maximal amounts of 1,2-DCB in blood, liver and kidneys at 1 hour after administration declining rapidly over the next 12 hours at near exponential rates; estimated half-life of 1,2-DCB was 0.08, 0.04 and 0.02 hours for

blood, liver and kidney respectively

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat Strain: Wistar

Number of animals: 3-6 per treatment group

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: oral or intraperitoneal (i.p.)
Dose: 500 mg/kg bw (oral); 1.36 mmol/kg (200 mg/kg bw; i.p.)

> Testing Period: 1, 2, 4, 6, 12, 24, 48 and 72 h Frequency of testing: oral, once every other day for 10

days; i.p. once GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Estimate 1,2-DCB metabolites in blood,

and urine following oral administration; estimate

half-life of 1,2-DCB in blood, liver and kidney following

i.p. administration

24-AUG-2001 (139)

Type: other: protooncogene expression as a mechanism of dlayed

response to 1,2-DCB hepatotoxicity

Remark: Early and sustained increase in c-myc and Ha-ras expression

was noted in F344 but not SD rats; compensatory liver

regeneration consequent upon sub-threshold concentrations of

1,2-DCB (=0.6 ml/kg bw) in both strains is temporally concordant with hepatic c-myc and Ha-ras expression

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Sprague-Dawley and F344 No. of animals: not stated

Sex: M

Route of Administration: intraperitoneal (i.p.)

Dose: 0.6 and 1.2 ml/kg bw Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no

Post Exposure Obs: hepatic c-myc and Ha-ras expression

following 1,2-DCB exposure

31-AUG-2001 (152)

Type: other: renal effects

Remark: Overall, 1,2-DCB (3.4 mmol/kg bw) tsissue distribution was

mainly to fat, liver and kidney; 1,2-DCB was reversibly bound to alpha-2u-globulin in kidney cytosol; 1,2-DCB was covalently bound to renal alpha-2u-globulin and to liver and plasma high molecular-weight proteins; no effect in either

sex on protein droplet formation

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Fischer-344

No. of animals: 3-6 per treatment group

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: gavage

Dose: Single dose of 3.4 mmol/kg or seven day doses of 0.8

or 2.0 mmol/kg bw Exposure Period:

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Changes in renal alpha2u-globulin concentrations characterised by changes in protein droplet formation; cell proliferation evaluation determined by tritiated thymidine incorporation during DNA synthesis to

measure spontaneous or 1,2-DCB induced mutagenesis

Test substance: 1,2-DCB HPLC grade (99.0%)

31-AUG-2001 (65)

Type:

Remark: a single oral administration of o-dichlorobenzene at a

dose level of 0.14 ml/kg bw (= ca. 182 mg/kg bw) to male rats resulted in centrilobular hepatic necrosis and increased serum alanine aminotransferase and aspar-

tate aminotransferase activities; hepatic cytochrome P-450 levels decreased steadily at dose levels above

0.04 ml/kg bw (> 52 mg/kg bw)

Source:

Bayer AG Leverkusen

20-AUG-2001 (8)

Type:

Remark: Centrilobular hepatic necrosis occurred at 172 mg/kg

bw, and above; dose-dependent increases in serum AST and ALT; centrilobular vacuolar degeneration was noted in 98 mg/kg treated animals; dose-dependent decrease (20-50% c.f. untreated controls) in hepatic cytochrome P450 levels;

relative liver weights increased for all doses

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: rat

Strain: Fischer-344

Number of animals: 1 per dose

Sex: M

Route of Administration: gavage

Doses: 6 - 1784 mg/kg bw (up to 25 dosages)

Exposure Period: 24 hr

Frequency of Treatment: once per animal per treatment group

Control Group: corn oil vehicle

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Serum concentrations of aspartate

aminotransferase (AST), alanine aminotransferase (ALT), and

alkaline phosphatase activities; hepatic P450 levels

Test substance: purity: 99%

24-AUG-2001 (7)

Type:

Remark: o-dichlorobenzene when introduced directly into the hepa-

tic portal circulation of male and female rabbits produced

massive localised areas of liver necrosis

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

10-SEP-2001 (59)

Type:

Remark: in vitro assay: rat liver slices were incubated in dy-

namic organ culture using different types of incubation media; 1 mM (= 147 mg/l) of o-dichlorobenzene produced no hepatotoxicity when incubated with Waymouths medium with 10 % fetal calf serum and glucose but was substantially toxic when incubated in Krebs-Henseleit buffer supplemented with glucose; by supplementation of the Krebs-Henseleit buffer with fetal calf serum the hepatotoxic response by o-dichlorobenzene was completely in-

hibited

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (101)

Type:

Remark: vapour inhalation experiments: a nominal vapour concen-

tration of 1000 ppm (= ca. 6.12 mg/l) of o-dichlorobenzene was found to be lethal for guinea pigs after a single exposure for 20 hours, and narcosis, as well as injury to the liver and kidneys, was noted in this animal species; the effects on rabbits were less (no further data)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (49)

Type:

Remark: urinary metabolites of o-dichlorobenzene after i.p. administration into mice included hydroxy-, mercapto-, methyl sulphide- and dihydroxy-metabolites (no further

data)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

14-AUG-2001 (143)

Type:

Remark: male Fischer rats were treated i.p. with various doses

(0.9-4.5 mmol/kg bw = 132-662 mg/kg bw) of o-dichlorobenzene (single administration); at 24 hours after dosing, the plasma activity of glutamic-pyruvate transaminase (an indicator of liver injury) was elevated; in preliminary experiments male Sprague-Dawley rats were administered o-dichlorobenzene (i.p.; doses: 1.8 or 5.4 mmol/kg bw = 265 or 794 mg/kg bw); Sprague-Dawley rats were more resistant to the hepatotoxicity of o-dichlorobenzene; the elevation of plasma glutamic-pyruvate activity was markedly lower than the elevation seen in Fischer

rats

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (239)

Type:

Remark: 1,2-DCB did not alter either LDH release from or inhibition

of glycogenolytic activity in rat hepatocytes compared to

untreated controls

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: Rat (hepatocytes)

Strain: Wistar No. of animals: 3

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: ex vivo

Dose: 200 mM Exposure (h): 20

Frequency of Treatment: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Hepatocyte viability and glycogenolytic activity: release of lactose dehydrogenase (LDH); inhibition

of glycogenolytic activity

Test substance: 1,2-DCB was dissolved in 0.05% DMSO to a final concentration

of 200 mM

10-SEP-2001 (265)

Type:

Remark: in vitro assay: the metabolism of o-dichlorobenzene (con-

centration: 0.5 mM = 73.5 mg/l) was investigated in dynamic organ culture of rat or human liver slices; metabolism was shown to proceed in a time-dependent manner for up to six hours; using rat liver slices, no sex differences could be observed; both rat and human liver slices metabolised the test substance to similar extents, although o-dichlorobenzene distributed into human liver slices to a greater extent than into rat liver slices (metabolites not

specified)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (290)

Type:

Remark: Dose-response studies: serum ALT levels and the hepatic

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labelling index (a measure of cell proliferation assessed by incorporation of 5-bromo-2'-deoxyuridine (BrdU) were significantly increased at 300 and 800 mg/kg bw 1,2-DCB and histopathological findings showed areas of centrilobular hepatocyte swelling and necrosis in 300 mg/kg bw 1,2-DCB dosed animals; Time-course studies: serum ALT levels were maximal at day 1 and decreased thereafter to basal levels at day 4 while the labelling index which was absent at day 1 was maximal at day 3 and declined to basal levels at day 7; histopathology revealed hepatic injury at day 1 that was maximal at day 2 and which subsequently declined to

undetectable levels at day 7

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Species: mouse Strain: B6C3F1

Number of animals: 5 per dose group

Sex: Male

Route of Administration: single intragastric (ig)

administration

Dose: 120, 200 or 300 mg/kg/bw (dose-response); 300 mg/kg bw

(time-course study)

Observation Period: 2 days (dose-response); 1,2,3,4, or 7

(time-course)

Frequency of testing: once

GLP: no data

Post Exposure Obs: Acute hepatotoxicity assessed by serum alanine aminotransferase (ALT) activity; hepatic histology

Test substance: 1,2-DCB purity > 98%

10-SEP-2001 (261)

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Memo: 1,2-DCB exposure from dry cleaning fluid

Remark: The authors describe a case study of an 18 years old female,

who, following chronic daily inhalational exposure to vapours of a dichlorobenzene solvent mixture consisting of 95 % 1,2-DCB and 5 % 1,4-DCB, presented with: fatigue, nausea, headache, bone marrow hyperplasia, severe acute haemolytic anaemia, leucocytosis and polynucleosis.

NICNAS Source:

20-AUG-2001 (103)

Memo: 1,2-DCB exposure from manufacture

Remark: Repeat medical examinations in male workers (number

notspecified) exposed to prolonged exposures of 15 ppm

1,2-DCB(range 1 to 44 ppm) revealed no evidence

of1,2-DCB-dependent organic injury or of

adversehaematological effects

Source: NICNAS

20-AUG-2001 (129)

Memo: 1,2-DCB in the environment

Remark:

Levels of 1,2-DCB in human adipose tissue samples collected in the Tokyo (Japan) metropolitan area were not noticeably above the level of 0.01 ug/g fat; 1,2-DCB was not detectable

in human blood in the Tokyo (Japan) area

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

05-SEP-2001 (176) (177)

Memo: 1,2-DCB irritant effects

Remark: Irritation to the eyes and respiratory passages was reported

in humans exposed to concentrations up to 100 ppm in

wool-filling processes

Source: NICNAS

05-SEP-2001 (94)

Memo: 1,2-DCB residue in breast milk of the General and Indigenous

Canadian population

Remark: gas chromatograph analysis for residues of 1,2-DCB in breast

milk of both indigenous and general canadian population revealed similar concentrations of 1,2-DCB in the breast

milk of both populations

Source: NICNAS

06-AUG-2001 (74)

Memo: 1,2-DCB residues in breast milk of Canadian women Remark: a total of 210 (3-4 weeks after parturition) human

breast milk samples from 5 different regions across Canada were analyzed; residues of 1,2-DCB were found in 69 % of the

samples; the mean levels of 1,2-DCB were 3 ng/g milk and 84

ng/g milkfat

Source: NICNAS

06-AUG-2001 (169)

Memo:

1,2-DCB residues in human blood samples from U.S. residents screening and confirmational analyses were performed on human blood samples collected from potentially exposed residents of the Love Canal area of Niagara Falls, New York, USA (field samples) and from volunteers in the Research Triangle Park area of North Carolina (volunteer samples) for various organochlorine contaminants, including 1,2-DCB;

1,2-DCB residues fell in the range of 1-4 ppb (mean value = 3 ppb) in 25 % of the field blood samples and in the range of 3-4 ppb (mean value = 4 ppb) in 17 % of the volunteer

blood samples

Source: NICNAS

20-AUG-2001 (42)

Memo: 1,2-DCB urinary metabolites

Remark: Metabolites of 1,2-DCB detected were: 2,3- and

3,4-dichlorophenolsand 3,4- and 4,5-dichlorocatechols

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Gas chromatograph-mass spectroscopy was used to

determine1,2-DCB metabolites present in urine samples of 3

maleworkers exposed to 1,2-DCB (1-4 ppm)

24-AUG-2001 (153)

Memo: Dietary intake of 1,2-DCB in Canada

Remark: Based on measured concentrations of 1,2-DCB in foods,

dietary intake of 1,2-DCB was estimated at 108 ug per

person and year

Source: NICNAS

05-SEP-2001 (75)

Memo: Effect of 1,2-DCB atmospheric contamination in the working

environment

Remark: "Severe toxic" effects of occupational inhalation exposure

to 1,2-DCB 300 ppm (= ca. 1.836 mg/l) for 60 min at 100 ppm (= ca. 0.612 mg/l) illness reported; concentrations greater

than 25 ppm (= ca. 0.153 mg/1) in workplace indicated

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unsatisfactory conditions (no further data)

Source: NICNAS

05-SEP-2001 (108)

Memo: other: 1,2-DCB in drinking water and blood plasma
Remark: 1,2-DCB was detected in blood plasma samples studied

howeverno concentrations were stated

Source: NICNAS

Test condition: Gas chromatograph-mass spectroscopy was used to

determine1,2-DCB present in pooled blood plasma from eight

human subjects

20-AUG-2001 (90)

Memo: other: Retrospective study

Remark: Retrospective study examining possible causality in 7

individuals suffering serious blood borne disorders following workplace exposure to chlorinated benzene derivatives (mono, di and tri); coincidental relationship

cannot be discounted

Source: NICNAS

20-AUG-2001 (202)

Remark: o-dichlorobenzene was detected (concentrations in the

parts-per-billion range) in human blood from a normal

"unexposed" population

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (13)

Remark: dichlorobenzene isomer(s) was (were) found in the breath

(range of estimated levels: 60-5000 ng per cubic metre), blood (estimated levels: 0.15-68 ng per ml) and urine (estimated levels: 40-39000 ng per l) of an exposed population (the dichlorobenzene isomer(s) was (were) not

specified)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

19-AUG-1993 (19)

Remark: canal-diggers had inhaled vapours from the waste water

of a dry cleaning plant utilizing o-dichlorobenzene; signs of toxicity were observable: irritation of the eyes and of the respiratory tract as well as nausea

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (91)

Remark: o-dichlorobenzene is mentioned in a list of environmen-

tal chemicals detectable in low concentrations in adipose tissue and/or milk of non-occupationally exposed

humans (no further data)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

30-AUG-1993 (106)

Remark: several cases of chronic human exposure to solvent mix-

tures (containing o-dichlorobenzene; composition of the mixtures partly unknown) are reported; in the exposed persons leukaemia and in a single case anaemia were diagnosed; the findings are not clearly attributable to the

exposure to o-dichlorobenzene

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

04-JAN-1994 (107)

Remark: the mean levels of o-dichlorobenzene in human adipose tis-

sue and in human milk were determined; the following values were found: 9 ug/kg milk, 230 ug/kg milk fat and 13 ug/kg  $\,$ 

fat in adipose tissue Bayer AG Leverkusen

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen
10-SEP-1993 (135)

Remark: expired air samples have been collected from a carefully selected population of normal healthy human subjects under controlled experimental conditions; the samples were con-

controlled experimental conditions; the samples were concentrated and analyzed by quantitative techniques which resulted in well-defined composite compositional and occurrence profiles of the organic constituents present in normal expired air; among 102 organic compounds, o-dichlo-

robenzene was identifiable in human expired air

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

17-SEP-1993 (147)

Remark: paired whole blood and biopsy fat samples from a selected Canadian population (25 patients) were analyzed for 1,2-DCB;

the median value of 1,2-DCB residues in blood was below the

limit of detection (< 3.12 ng/g wet tissue); the median value of 1,2-DCB in biopsy fatty tissue was found to be 28.1 ng/g wet tissue; the median value of 1,2-DCB in blood lipids was found to be < 3 ng/g lipid; the median value of 1,2-DCB

in adipose tissues was found to be 38 ng/g lipid.

Source: NICNAS

27-APR-2001 (168)

Remark: the presence of 1,2-DCB residues in adipose tissue of

Canadians was investigated by analysis of 108 human autopsy fat samples; the mean value of 1,2-DCB residues in adipose tissue was found to be 136 ng/g wet tissue; no significant differences in the residue levels of in adipose tissue were

found with respect to region, gender or age

Source: NICNAS

27-APR-2001 (170)

Remark: human olfactory threshold for o-dichlorobenzene: 0.003 mg/l

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

24-AUG-2001 (210)

Remark: o-dichlorobenzene was applied on the flexor side of the

forearm of probands (exposure time: 1 hour); ca. 15 minutes after the administration, the test substance induced strong burning at the site of application, which disappeared after removal of o-dichlorobenzene; at first a diffuse reddening was visible at the site of application; 24 hours after application this site was deep red coloured and covered with vesicles; later on a brownish pigmentation was observable, which was still visible after

3 months

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

11-OCT-1993 (216)

Remark: human olfactory detection threshold for o-dichloroben-

zene: 0.3 ppm (= ca. 0.00183 mg/l)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

13-OCT-1993 (221)

Remark: case report: a patient was overcome in a home treated

with o-dichlorobenzene; after 2 days this patient became

nauseated, suffered from shortness of breath and sleepiness, and 1 week later developed a haematuria of 2 weeks duration; it appears questionable, whether and to what extent o-dichlorobenzene was responsible for these symptoms

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

13-OCT-1993 (187)

Remark: the air concentration level of 1,2-DCB where irritation to humans begins (threshold of irritation), was found to be 0.15 mg/l; odour threshold values were found to range

between 0.012 mg/l and 0.3 mg/l (no further data)

Source: NICNAS

27-APR-2001 (225)

Remark: vapours of o-dichlorobenzene are liable to cause such symp-

toms as headache in persons exposed to the fumes for an hour

or so at a time (no further data)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

14-OCT-1993 (232)

Remark: an ad hoc list of neurotoxic chemicals in the Danish work

environment has been developed and consists of those chemicals from the Danish list of threshold limit values (1985) which have been noted as having neurotoxic effects; 1,2-DCB is included in this list and has been assigned the risk index 4: chemical with a conspicuous risk of inducing severe and/or chronic damage to the nervous system during

normal work with the substance (no further data)

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (237)

Remark: case report: a 40-year old man had worked for 22 years in

the preparation of dyestuffs in dye-works; the list of products handled included various products (dyestuffs-phenols) and o-dichlorobenzene as main solvent; the patient suffered from purpura and intense anaemia; a marked hepatomegalia and a discreet splenic enlargement were the only examination signs; the blood count and the myelogram showed total medullar insufficiency; the diagnosis hesitated between myeloid leukosis and a myeloproliferative syndrome which was chosen because of the presence of young myeloid cells in the peripheral blood, of erythroblastosis, and especially from indications given by a medullar biopsy which showed positive myelofibrosis; this myelosis was very proliferative and its evolution was fatal within 4 months; the role of o-dichloro-

benzene in the etiology of this haemopathy is debated

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

26-OCT-1993 (257)

Remark: case report: a 30-year old woman was exposed to vapours of

a disinfectant containing 54 % o-dichlorobenzene; she developed hepatitis and icterus (it is discussed if the hepatitis is due to an intoxication or to a viral infection)

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

27-OCT-1993 (209)

Remark: in a review study, o-dichlorobenzene is listed among many

other chemical substances which all are capable of inducing haemolytic anaemia in persons exposed occupationally (by an accident at industrial workplace) to the substance

(no further data)

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Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

06-AUG-2001 (259)

Remark: o-dichlorobenzene was occasionally detectable in exhaled

human breath samples from U.S. residents; compound concentrations were also measurable in personal air and in outdoor

air samples

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

10-NOV-1993 (280) (281) (282) (283)

Remark: chromosome studies were done in 8 males and 18 females

(laboratory workers) who were accidentally exposed for 4 work days (8 hours/day) to vapours of 1,2-DCB; the clinical symptoms included eye, nose and throat irritation (most individuals); 10 persons had severe headache, fatigue, nausea, dizziness; 1 individual developed partial facial edema; although there was no determination of the concentration of toxic vapours, the symptoms of most exposed

individuals were consistent with those usually observed at concentrations above 100 ppm (ca. 0.60 mg/l); of the 1345

peripheral blood cells studied, 120 disclosed clastogenic chromosomal aberrations  $(8.92\ \%)$ , 84 (6.25%) had single breaks and 86 (6.39%) had double breaks; a control group of 16 healthy individuals revealed 19 cells with clastogenic aberrations in 942 cells examined  $(2.02\ \%)$  while 9 (0.92%) had single breaks and 10 (1.06%) had double breaks; chromosome studies conducted 6 months later in 15 persons of the exposed group disclosed a significant reduction in both chromosomal aberrations  $(12\ \text{cells from }300\ (4\%))$  and the

number of single breaks (8 cells from 300 (2.67%))

Source: NICNAS

05-SEP-2001 (301)

Remark: case report: a worker aged 47 had developed an eczematoid

contact dermatitis of the hands, arms and face and was therefore physically examined; the patient was tested by dropping on the skin o-dichlorobenzene: two minutes after this was dropped on one arm intense erythema and edema developed at the site of application and for one-half inch surrounding it; later a large bullous lesion formed in the

center of this area

Source: Bayer AG Leverkusen

14-JAN-1994 (89)

Remark: urine samples collected from 8 volunteers for 36 h after exposure to 1,2-DCB in the range of 0.03-0.3 mg/l and, in one case up to 0.54 mg/l for two 4 h periods with a 45 min interval years analyzed for the presence of isomeric

interval were analysed for the presence of isomeric dichlorophenylmercapturic acids; ethyl esters of

2,3-dichlorophenylmercapturic acid and

3,4-dichlorophenylmercapturic acid were detected in the urine, with a linear correlation found between urinary dichlorophenylmercapturic acid concentration and the level of 1,2-DCB exposure; a first-order excretion kinetic was determined for the two dichlorophenylmercapturic acids; the half lives of 3,4-dichlorophenylmercapturic acid and 2,3-dichlorophenylmercapturic acid were determined to be 5.9

=/-1.7 h and 5.3 +/-3.0 h respectively.

Source: NICNAS

24-AUG-2001 (302)

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Remark:

Clinical features of 9 men chronically exposed to chlorobenzenes while working in a factory producing 1,2-, 1,3- and 1,4- DCB, and all of whom had direct contact with the chemicals through the skin and respiratory tract were found to include: polymorphic dermatosis in all patients, mainly comedones and cysts; some patients also had diffuse melanocytic discoloration, hyperpigmentation of the face, pigmentation of the lips, gums and oral mucosae, longitudinal lines on the fingernails, plantar hyperhydrosis or follicular hyperkeratosis; skin biopsies showed features typical of chloracne in all patients (comedones, cysts and follicular indifundibular enlargement), persisting for at least 2 years after leaving the company; all had conjunctivitis and reported chronic burning sensations of the eye; 7 had enlargement of and cysts in the Meibomian glands; all had gastrointestinal complaints, mostly nausea and occasionally vomiting, during working hours; all reported paresthesias, mostly in the lower extremities; diarrhea, irritability, insomnia and frequent headaches were also reported; liver function tests were abnormal in 8

patients while 5 had enlargement of the liver; findings of percutaneous liver biopsy included chronic inflammatory infiltrate in the sinusoids, portal and centrolobular areas, fatty degeneration of small and large fat droplets, granulomas, cholestasis, fibrosis and cirrhosis; 7 patients had significantly raised triglyceride and cholesterol levels; an electromyogram revealed a mixed polyneuropathy in all patients. Due to an insufficiency of data, a causal relationship between the symptoms described and 1,2-DCB exposure cannot be demonstrated NICNAS

Source: 19-APR-2001

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