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PRODUCT MANAGER NO. G. LaRocca (15)

PRODUCT NAME(S) Endosulfan

COMPANY NAME Makhteshim-Agan (America) Inc.

SUBMISSION PURPOSE Submission of bobwhite quail acute oral LA50 study in support of registration standard

SHAUGHNESSEY NO. CHEMICAL, & FORMULATION % A.I.

079401 Endosulfan tech. 97
MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT:    Acute Oral LD$_{50}$ Study With Endosulfan and
            Bobwhite Quail; Acc. No. 252229.

The following study was reviewed and is acceptable to support registrations
under the endosulfan registration standard.

(LD$_{50}$) of endosulfan technical to the Bobwhite quail. Prepared
by Huntingdon Research Centre, Cambridgeshire, England submitted by

The acute oral LD$_{50}$ of technical endosulfan to Bobwhite quail (Colinus
virginianus) is 42 mg/kg (35-56 mg/kg).

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1. **CHEMICAL:** Endosulfan

2. **FORMULATION:** Technical 97.2%


4. **REVIEWED BY:** John J. Bascietto
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5. **DATE REVIEWED:** 4/12/84

6. **TEST TYPE:** Avian Acute Oral LD₅₀
   A) Bobwhite quail (*Colinus virginianus*)

7. **REPORTED RESULTS:**
   \[ \text{LD₅₀} = 42 \text{ mg/kg (35-56) mg/kg.} \]
   \[ (95\% \text{ c.i.}) \]

8. **REVIEWER'S CONCLUSIONS:** The study is scientifically sound. With an \[ \text{LD₅₀} = 42 \text{ mg/kg (35-56) mg/kg,} \] endosulfan technical is considered "highly toxic" to upland game birds. The study fulfills the guidelines requirements for a avian acute oral LD₅₀ for an upland game bird.
9. Materials/Methods

A. Procedures: The protocol used was that recommended by the pesticide current pesticide hazard assessment guidelines (EPA - 540/9-82-024), Subdivision E, Oct., 1982.

B. Statistical Analysis - the authors calculated the LD$_{50}$ and 95% confidence interval using the dose-mortality data and the Finney probit analysis method. (Finney, D.J. 1971. Probit Analysis. 3rd ed. Cambridge University Press).

10. Results

Table 1. gives the dose-response (mortality) data given in the report. Corn oil control birds (0 mg/kg) had no mortality. Mortality in treatment groups occurred within 24 hours and sporadically over 7 days after dosing. No mortality occurred beyond 7 days after dose (birds were observed for 14 days after dosing).
**Table 1. Mortality Observed**

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<th>Group and Dose</th>
<th>No. Dead/10 birds per group (percent mortality)</th>
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Within 1 1/2 hours birds in Groups 4 and 5 showed "subdued" behavior but no mortality. Birds in Group 6 appeared "unsteady" at this time with 2 birds dying within 1 1/2 hours and 2 birds dying at 5 hours after dose in this group. By the end of Day 1 one bird in Group 5 could not stand and 2 birds had died (1 at 5 hours and 1 at 24 hours). Surviving birds in Group 6 were "very subdued" at 24 hours. On Day 2 the bird which could not stand in Group 5 on day 1, was now able to do so, but was still "unsteady". Birds in Groups 5 and 6 were still "subdued". 2 more birds died in Group 6 on Day 2 and 1 death on Day 4. One bird died in Group 5 on Day 7 but this bird showed no signs of ill health prior to death. Birds in groups 5 and 6 which were subdued, remained so until day 5. In the 7-day period following dose all birds except Group 5 females and Group 6 males show body weight gains. Most bodyweight changes observed in the 14 day period were considered "normal". Food consumption was variable but generally "normal".

No abnormalities were observed upon gross necropsy of all birds.

11. **Reviewer's Evaluation**

A. Procedures: acceptable

B. Statistics: acceptable

C. Results: The results indicate that endosulfon technical is "highly toxic" to bobwhite quail. The LD$_{50}$ is 42 mg/kg (35-56) mg/kg. A review of the raw data on individual's bodyweights indicates no remarkable results. Group mean food consumption data (g/bird/day) likewise was not remarkable.

D. Conclusions

1. Category: Core

2. Rationale: Guidelines study

3. Repair: N/A