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Krize, J.W., Terrell, Y. (1978) Report: Avian Dietary LC50 (5-Day Dietary Exposure) of Enlist Technical (Terbufos Technical) EPA File Symbol 2749 UEL to Mallard Duck; Laboratory No. 8E-3451, (Unpublished study received Mar 27, 1979 under 2749-425; prepared by Cannon Laboratories, Inc., submitted by Aceto Chemical Co., Inc., Flushing, N.Y., CDL:241730-A)

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DATA EVALUATION RECORD

1. Chemical: Terbufos (Shaughnessy #105001)
2. Formulation: Technical, 86% a.i. (F. Betz review)
3. Citation: Krize, J.W.; Terrell, Y. (1978) Report: Avian Dietary LC₅₀ (5-Day Dietary Exposure) of Enlist Technical (Terbufos Technical) EPA File Symbol 2749 UEL to Mallard Duck: Laboratory No. 8E-3451. (Unpublished study received 3/27/79 under 2749-425; prepared by Cannon Laboratories, Inc., submitted by Aceto Chemical Co., Inc., Flushing, N.Y.; CDL:241730-A) MRID#00035120
4. Reviewed by: James D. Felkel, Wildlife Biologist
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5. Date Reviewed: November 3, 1982
6. Test Type: Avian dietary LC₅₀
 - A. Test Species: Mallard Duck (Anas platyrhynchos)
7. Reported Results:

The 5-day dietary exposure LC₅₀ for the mallard is 520 (400-676) ppm.
8. Reviewer's Conclusions:

Severe food rejection particularly at higher dose levels, prevents calculation of an accurate LC₅₀ value. However, no adverse effects (other than food rejection) were seen at the lowest dietary levels of 100 and 150 ppm. Without a comparable LC₅₀, the study does not fully meet the intent of proposed guidelines (7/10/78), although it is scientifically sound in the sense that methods used were consistent with proposed guidelines. Because of the food rejection further mallard dietary testing is not warranted.

METHODS REPORTED

A preliminary toxicity study, conducted on October 21, 1976 in Mallard ducks using this same compound, indicated that the general toxic level was between 100 and 750 ppm. Based on this finding, five concentrations were selected for toxicity determination. The birds for the 5-day dietary exposure were randomly selected and placed in groups as follows:

<u>GROUP NUMBER</u>	<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>BIRDS/PEN</u>	<u>TEST MATERIAL</u>	<u>DIETARY CONCENTRATION RANGE</u>
1-5	Mallard ducks	10	'Enlist Technical (Terbufos Technical) EPA File Symbol 2749 UEL'	100-750 ppm
6	Mallard ducks	10	Control	--

A total of 60 Mallard ducks, ranging in age between 10 and 15 days, were utilized. The birds were obtained as day-old chicks from Whistling Wings, Hanover, Illinois. The birds were housed in thermostatically controlled quarters for the acclimatization period of ten days and for the duration of this study. Incandescent lighting was maintained continuously 24 hours per day.

Diet Preparation

The test material 'Enlist Technical (Terbufos Technical) EPA File Symbol 2749 UEL' was dissolved in edible grade corn oil and incorporated into the ration such that the concentration of the solution represented two parts (by weight). An equivalent amount of vehicle was added to the control diet. Diets were mixed by commercial, mechanical food mixers and stored at room temperature until used.

Treatment

During the pre-treatment acclimatization period, all of the birds received normal control ration.

During the test period, the birds received diets containing their respective dosage level of the test material for the first five days, then standard bird ration was substituted and fed for an additional three days. Feed and water were available ad libitum.

Throughout the test, all toxic signs and abnormal behavior were noted. The date of death for any mortality was recorded. Food consumption was measured on a daily basis.

Results Reported

Mallard ducks, administered a diet with 'Enlist Technical (Terbufos Technical) EPA File Symbol 2749 UEL' incorporated in the feed, did not exhibit any untoward behavioral reactions at 100 or 150 ppm. Mortality of 20% occurred at 250 ppm, while 10% mortality occurred at 500 ppm and 60% mortality occurred at 750 ppm.

Mortality data is presented in Table 2. Mean body weight values are shown in Table 3, while the average food consumption per bird per day is presented in Table 4.

Body weight values decreased in all treated groups between days 0 and 5, but increased between days 5 and 8 when the birds were returned to normal diet. This decrease in body weight corresponded with the decrease in food consumption shown between days 1 and 5. The greater the concentration of test material in the food, the greater was the decrease in food consumption.

Reviewer's Evaluation

This study was previously reviewed by F. Betz of EEB (6/30/79). This review is appended.

Methods reported were generally consistent with proposed guidelines (7/10/78). However, there was severe reduction in food consumption with increasing dietary level of terbufos. This problem was encountered in the first mallard dietary study on terbufos reviewed by F. Betz (MRID#00087717) and was part of the reason Mr. Betz invalidated the study.

Conclusions

1. Category: Supplemental
2. Rationale: Severe food rejection prevents calculation of a mallard dietary LC₅₀ for comparison with the available bobwhite quail study. Because of the food rejection problem, further mallard testing is not deemed warranted.
3. Repairability: No

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TABLE 2
MORTALITY OF 'ENLIST TECHNICAL (TERBUFOS TECHNICAL)
EPA FILE SYMBOL 2749 UEL' IN MALLARO DUCKS

GROUP NUMBER	DIETARY LEVEL (PPM)	MORTALITY (DAYS)								TOTAL	%
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	250	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	20
4	500	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	10
5	750	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	6	60
6	Control	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



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TABLE 3
MEAN BODY WEIGHTS FOR 'ENLIST TECHNICAL (TERBUFOS TECHNICAL)
EPA FILE SYMBOL 2749 UEL' IN MALLARD DUCKS

GROUP NUMBER	DIETARY LEVEL (PPM)	DAYS		
		0	5	8
1	100	274.9	272.9	369.4
		+45.2	+46.0	+57.2
2	150	305.1	263.9	403.6
		+41.0	+29.4	+53.9
3	250	282.3	229.0	334.1
		+43.7	+42.5	+64.9
4	500	309.4	220.3	299.8
		+34.1	+21.3	+63.6
5	750	310.6	264.2	388.2
		+35.6	+38.9	+37.2
6	Control	267.5	384.1	495.3
		+33.1	+30.9	+40.4

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TABLE 4
 FOOD CONSUMPTION FOR 'ENLIST TECHNICAL (TERBUFOS TECHNICAL)
 EPA FILE SYMBOL 2749 UEL' IN MALLARD DUCKS

GROUP NUMBER	DIETARY LEVEL (PPH)	AVERAGE FOOD CONSUMED PER BIRD GM/DAY								
		TREATED DIET					UNTREATED DIET			
		DAYS					6	7	8	
		1	2	3	4	5				
1	100	30.0	24.2	30.0	50.0	52.7	45.1	93.9	114.3	2
2	150	23.6	20.7	26.6	27.0	29.8	43.2	100.0	128.6	10
3	250	8.8	11.7	15.0	12.7	17.2	17.4	117.3	118.9	20
4	500	13.6	7.4	8.4	10.2	9.6	14.3	95.0	100.7	25
5	750	20.6	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.75	109.5	117.5	60
6	Control	30.0	30.0	60.0	96.2	103.9	108.0	66.5	112.6	

INITIAL BIRD WEIGHT 267-310

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SPECIES: Mallard
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CHEMICAL: Terbufos Technical (86% a.i.)
TITLE: Report Avian Dietary LC₅₀ (5-Day Dietary Exposure) of Enlist
Technical (Terbufos Technical) EPA File Symbol UEL to Mallard
Duck.
AUTHOR: John W. Krize, Cannon Labs. Inc.
STUDY DATE: December 3, 1979
ACCESSION NO. _____
REGISTRANT: Aceto Chemical Co.
VALIDATION CATEGORY: Core
COMMENTS:

Age of birds was stated as 10-15 days. Mean body weights were 267 to 310 grams at beginning of test. Expected body weights for birds in this age class is 100-250 grams.

Food consumption was suppressed at all treatment levels, to the extent that birds in the highest treatment level ate 0.4 grams feed/day or less for four consecutive days (<0.2% of body weight/day). It is obvious that the toxicant acted as a repellent and that the true dietary toxicity of terbufos was not determined in this test. However, the study is acceptable in meeting agency registration requirements. For the purpose of hazard evaluation, the Bobwhite quail LC₅₀ (140 ppm) should be used. This conclusion is based, in part, on discussions with Richard Tucker (EEB 6/26/79).

NOTE: THIS DATA SET DOES NOT MEET THE CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMITTEE ON METHODS FOR TOXICITY TESTS WITH AQUATIC ORGANISMS BECAUSE NO PERCENT DEAD IS GREATER THAN 65 PERCENT.

FELKEL TERBUFOS MALLARD LC50

CONC.	NUMBER EXPOSED	NUMBER DEAD	PERCENT DEAD	BINOMIAL PROB.(PERCENT)
750	10	6	60	37.69531
500	10	1	10	1.074219
250	10	2	20	5.46875
150	10	0	0	0.09765625
100	10	0	0	0.09765625

THE BINOMIAL TEST SHOWS THAT 150 AND +INFINITY CAN BE USED AS STATISTICALLY SOUND CONSERVATIVE 95 PERCENT CONFIDENCE LIMITS, BECAUSE THE ACTUAL CONFIDENCE LEVEL ASSOCIATED WITH THESE LIMITS IS GREATER THAN 95 PERCENT.

AN APPROXIMATE LC50 FOR THIS SET OF DATA IS 696.5794

RESULTS CALCULATED USING THE MOVING AVERAGE METHOD

SPAN	G	LC50	95 PERCENT CONFIDENCE LIMITS	
1	0.7206816	696.5794	583.6564	1616.322

RESULTS CALCULATED USING THE PROBIT METHOD

ITERATIONS	G	H	GOODNESS OF FIT PROBABILITY
5	0.4606176	1	0.2188884

SLOPE = 2.853948
 95 PERCENT CONFIDENCE LIMITS = 0.9170073 AND 4.790889

LC50 = 760.9714
 95 PERCENT CONFIDENCE LIMITS = 512.825 AND 2794.85

LC10 = 273.1309
 95 PERCENT CONFIDENCE LIMITS = 79.52306 AND 403.4673
