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Attached, please find the EFGWB review of...

Reg./File #: 55947-UG

Chemical Name: Prodiamine

Type Product: herbicide

Product Name: Technical Prodiamine

Company Name: Sandoz Crop Protection

Purpose: submission of amended label for approval

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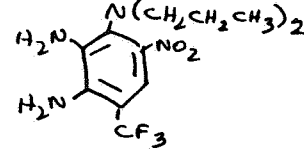
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- Deferrals to:
- Ecological Effects Branch, EFED
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 - Toxicology Branch



CHEMICAL:

chemical name: N³,N³-Di-n-propyl-2,4-dinitro-6-(trifluoromethyl)-m-phenylenediamine
 common name: Prodiamine
 trade name: Endurance
 structure:
 CAS #: 29091-21-2
 Shaughnessy #: 110201



PHYSICAL/CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS are as follows:

physical state -- crystalline powder
color -- dark yellow
odor -- odorless
m.p. -- 124-125° C
vapor pressure -- 2.5 x 10⁻⁷ mm Hg at 25° C
water solubility -- 0.05 ppm
octanol/water coefficient (k_{ow}) -- 3.3 x 10⁴

2. TEST MATERIAL: n.a.

3. STUDY/ACTION TYPE: submission of amended labels

4. STUDY IDENTIFICATION: n.a.

5. REVIEWED BY:

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7. CONCLUSIONS:

There are no reviewable environmental fate data in the submission. The altered text on the amended label has to do with toxicity to aquatic organisms, and is not under EFGWB's purview.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS:

EFGWB has no additional recommendations at this time. Studies which are required, but have not been submitted, should be furnished as soon as possible.

9. BACKGROUND:

Prodiamine is an not-yet-registered herbicide used to control the germination of grasses and broadleaf weeds in ornamentals and turf. Label directions indicate that it may be applied either to a cover crop (established turf) or to bare soil (around ornamental plants and in non-crop areas). The recommended label rate is up to 3.9 lb ai./A (3.9 ppm, 3" soil layer) per single application or 7.8 lb a.i./A/yr.

GROUND WATER ASSESSMENT

Available data indicate that Prodiamine is stable to hydrolysis, but (based on a 1980 review) is highly susceptible to photolysis in aqueous solution. It metabolizes slowly under aerobic conditions and (based on a 1980 review) is not mobile in laboratory studies. A recent field study on turf also seems to indicate that Prodiamine is not mobile. Because of its extremely short

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photolytic half life and lack of mobility, Prodiamine does not appear likely to reach ground water. Though it is improbable that it would reach ground water, if somehow it did, it would persist there, since photolysis, the major mode of degradation, would not occur. The mobility of the major degradate (Prodiamine benzimidazole) has still not been defined by acceptable data, and it appears to be persistent. The likelihood of Prodiamine benzimidazole to reach ground water, and its fate under such conditions, is not known.

SURFACE WATER ASSESSMENT

Prodiamine does not appear to be a major threat to surface water since it photolyzes rapidly in water. Although the probability seems very low, any Prodiamine which is present on soil affected by a runoff event could be carried on suspended particles to adjacent bodies of surface water. Once there, it would be expected to remain in the sediment and degrade/dissipate very slowly.

ENVIRONMENTAL FATE DATA BASE ASSESSMENT

The status of data requirements is as follows:

hydrolysis -- FULFILLED 6/22/90 [Bowman and Fenessey, MRID #'s 406091-01 and 413594-01 -- $t_{1/2} > 6$ months is indicated at all three pHs

photolysis in water -- FULFILLED 5/13/80 [reference not indicated in that review] -- not done under current Guidelines. A short half life (ca. 20 min.) is indicated. The fulfilling study has not been rereviewed under current standards.

soil photodegradation -- submitted study [reference not indicated in that review] unacceptable as of 5/13/80, not required for this use

aerobic soil metabolism -- FULFILLED 6/22/90 [Krueger and Butz, MRID #s 405934-24 and 413594-02] -- half-life ca. 2 mos, one major product

anaerobic soil metabolism -- submitted study unacceptable as of 5/14/80, not required for this use

leaching/adsorption/desorption -- FULFILLED 5/13/80 for parent [reference not indicated in that review. A batch adsorption/desorption study (MRID 405934-25, which was probably not the fulfilling study) indicated K_d values of 19.5 to 399 for adsorption. NEW STUDY REQUIRED ON AGED MATERIAL [as of 6/22/90 -- Daly, MRID #s 405934-26 and 413594-03 are not acceptable]. The mobility of primary degradate (Prodiamine benzimidazole) has not been satisfactorily defined at this time, although it is apparently also relatively immobile.

turf terrestrial field dissipation -- FULFILLED 6/22/90 [Bade and Rosas, MRID# 413594-05] -- no leaching or significant dissipation noted.

confined accumulation on rotational crops -- FULFILLED 5/14/80 [reference not indicated in that review] -- not done under current Guidelines - - not required for this use -- no significant accumulation except in root crops

fish bioaccumulation -- study submitted [Acc.# 243135] but not acceptable [static system], not done under current Guidelines -- significant accumulation and slow depuration

10. DISCUSSION OF INDIVIDUAL TESTS OR STUDIES: There are no studies in this submission.
11. COMPLETION OF ONE-LINER: no information added.
12. CBI APPENDIX: n.a. A copy of the amended label is attached for information