DATA EVALUATION RECORD
§ 72-1(A) -- ACUTE LC_{50} TEST WITH A WARMWATER FISH
6/12/1995

1. **CHEMICAL:** RPA 201772 (Isoxaflutole) PC Code No.: 123000

2. **TEST MATERIAL:** Batch No. 21 ADM 93 Purity: 98.7%

3. **CITATION**

Authors: Bettencourt, M.
Title: RPA 201772 - Acute Toxicity to Bluegill Sunfish (*Lepomis macrochirus*) Under Flow-Through Conditions
Study Completion Date: November 15, 1993
Laboratory: Springborn Laboratories, Inc.
Sponsor: Rhone-Poulenc Ag Company
Laboratory Report ID: SLI Report No. 93-8-4886; SLI Study # 10566.0493.6283.105
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4. **REVIEWED BY:** Michael Davy, Agronomist, ERCB, EFED

Signature: Michael Davy **Date:** 6-8-95

5. **PEER REVIEWER:** Andrew Bryceland, Fishery Biologist, ERCB/EFED

Signature: **Date:** 6-12-95

6. **STUDY PARAMETERS**

Age or Size of Test Organism: 1.3 gm, 48 mm long
Definitive Test Duration: 96 hours
Study Method: Flow-through
Type of Concentrations: Mean measured

7. **CONCLUSIONS:** This study is scientifically sound and meets the guideline requirements for 72-1 freshwater acute toxicity study. It is not possible to classify , precisely, the toxicity of RPA 201772 based on this study, since no LC_{50} was derived. However, based on this study, it is possible to state that RPA 201772 is probably no more than moderately toxic to fish.

Results Synopsis: 96-hr LC_{50}: >4.5 ppm ai; NOEC: 4.5 ppm ai

8. **ADEQUACY OF THE STUDY**

A. **Classification:** Core.
B. **Rationale:** meets guidelines
C. **Repairability:** n/a

9. **BACKGROUND**

10. GUIDELINE DEVIATIONS

1. Solvent amount in flow-through test exceeded 0.1 ml/L.
2. Total hardness is below 40 to 48 mg/L as $CaCO_3$
3. Undissolved chemical observed at highest dose level

11. SUBMISSION PURPOSE: EUP

12. MATERIALS AND METHODS

A. Test Organisms

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
Species: Preferred species is the bluegill sunfish (*Lepomis macrochirus*)	*Lepomis macrochirus*
Mean Weight : 0.5-5 g	1.3 g
Mean Standard Length Longest not > 2x shortest	Mean: 48 mm Range: 40-62 mm
Supplier	Osage Catfisheries
All fish from same source?	Yes
All fish from the same year class?	Yes

B. Source/Acclimation

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
Acclimation Period Minimum 14 days	14 days
Wild caught organisms were quarantined for 7 days?	N/A
Were there signs of disease or injury?	Not reported
If treated for disease, was there no sign of the disease remaining during the 48 hours prior to testing?	N/A
Feeding No feeding during the study	48 hours prior to test
Pretest Mortality No more than 3% mortality 48 hours prior to testing	0% mortality prior to testing.

C. Test System

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
Source of dilution water Soft reconstituted water or water from a natural source, **not** dechlorinated tap water	well water
Does water support test animals without observable signs of stress?	Yes
Water Temperature : 17°C or 22°C	21-22 °C
pH : Prefer 7.2 to 7.6	7.0-7.1 at 96 hour
Dissolved Oxygen: flow-through: ≥ 60%	lowest is 66% at 72 hour
Total Hardness Prefer 40 to 48 mg/L as $CaCO_3$	28 - 30 mg/L as $CaCO_3$
Test Aquaria 1. Material: Glass or stainless steel 2. Size: Volume of 19 L (5 gal) or 30 x 60 x 30 cm 3. Fill volume: 15-30 L of solution	Glass aquarium measured 39 x 20 x 25 cm maintained with 15 L volume
Type of Dilution System Must provide reproducible supply of toxicant	Harvard peristaltic pump
Flow Rate: Consistent flow rate of 5-10 vol/24 hours, meter systems calibrated before study and checked twice daily during test period	diluter system calibrated before test and checked twice daily during test to deliver 6.3 vol/24 hours
Biomass Loading Rate : Flow-through: ≤ 1 g/L/day	0.14 g/L/day
Photoperiod 16 hours light, 8 hours dark	16 light, 8 dark
Solvents : Not to exceed 0.1 ml/L for flow-through tests	Solvent: Acetone Maximum conc.: 0.44 ml/L.

In order to optimize the solubility of the test material, ultrasonication and mechanical stirring were ultilized.

D. Test Design

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
Range Finding Test If LC_{50} >100 mg/L with 30 fish, then no definitive test is required.	1 death in 0.50 and 100.0 ppm range. Lethargic behavior exhibited at 10 and 100 ppm level.
Nominal Concentrations of Definitive Test Control & 5 treatment levels; dosage should be 60% of the next highest concentration; concentrations should be in a geometric series	0.65, 1.1, 1.8, 3.0 and 5.0 mg ai/L.
Number of Test Organisms Minimum 10/level, may be divided among containers	10/vessel and 2 vessel/level
Test organisms randomly or impartially assigned to test vessels?	Yes
Biological observations made every 24 hours?	Yes
Water Parameter Measurements 1. Temperature Measured constantly or, if water baths are used, every 6 hrs, may not vary > 1°C 2. DO and pH Measured at beginning of test and every 48 h in the high, medium, and low doses and in the control	temperature, DO, and pH were measured once daily in each replicate of each level throughout test
Chemical Analysis Needed if solutions were aerated, if chemical was volatile, insoluble, or known to absorb, if precipitate formed, if containers were not steel or glass, or if flow-through system was used	No aeration done, but precipitate observed at highest concentration level. Measured concentrations are 0.65, 1.0, 1.6, 2.7 and 4.5 mg ai/L

13. REPORTED RESULTS

A. General Results

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
Quality assurance and GLP compliance statements were included in the report?	Yes
Recovery of Chemical	89-100%
Control Mortality Not more than 10% control organisms may die or show abnormal behavior.	0%
Raw data included?	Yes
Signs of toxicity (if any) were described?	Yes

Mortality

Concentration (ppm)		Number of Fish	Cumulative Number Dead			
			Hour of Study			
Nominal	Mean Measured		24	48	72	96
Control	0	20	0	0	0	0
Solvent Control	0	20	0	0	0	0
0.65	0.65	20	0	0	0	0
1.1	1.0	20	0	0	0	0
1.8	1.6	20	0	0	0	0
3.0	2.7	20	0	0	0	0
5.0	4.5	20	0	0	0	0

Other Significant Results: No toxic symptoms observed

B. Statistical Results Method: Observational
96-hr LC_{50}: >4.5 ppm ai NOEC: 4.5 ppm ai

14. VERIFICATION OF STATISTICAL RESULTS

Method: Observational

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15. REVIEWER'S COMMENTS: This chemical is insoluble at 4.5 mg ai/L. In order to optimize the solubility of the test material, the author increased the percentage of acetone to 0.44 ml/L and ultrasonication and mechanical stirring were ultilized. The percentage of acetone is within the maximum for static test but the flow-through maximum is 0.1 ml/L. In the range finding test, the fish showed lethargic behavior exhibited at 10 and 100 ppm level in addition to a film of undissolved material was observed on the surface at these two levels. One death was noted at 0.5 and 100.0 ppm level. This would indicate that the LC_{50} for fish may be greater than the 100 ppm level from the range finding test.

Undissolved chemical was noted in the definitive test at the highest level of 4.5 ppm ai. Due to no significant mortality in the range finding test and the exceedance of the solubility limit of the chemical at 4.5 ppm ai and no mortality and symptoms during the definitive test, the reviewer believes that the chemical is practically not toxic to the bluegill sunfish. However, the EPA's criteria define chemicals with LC_{50} values of $\geq$1.0 and $\leq$10.0 ppm to be moderately toxic to aquatic organisms.

This study is scientifically sound and meets the guideline requirements for 72-1 freshwater acute toxicity study.

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