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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Data review for Isoxaflutole (D219141,  
Chemical #123000, Case 286745)

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The Environmental Risk Characterization Branch (ERCB) has completed the review of the data submitted in support of registration of Isoxaflutole, chemical number 123000. The following is a brief summary of the data reviewed:

**Citation:** RPA 201772 - Toxicity to Duckweed, *Lemna gibba*  
**DP Barcode:** D219141 MRID No.: 435732-46

**Conclusions:** This study is scientifically sound and fulfills the guideline requirement for acute toxicity testing with the Duckweed *Lemna gibba*.

**Results Synopsis**

Frond count:

EC<sub>50</sub>: 0.0049 mg ai/L 95% C.I.: 0.0036 - 0.0066 mg ai/L

NOEC: 0.0011 mg ai/L Slope: 1.55

If there are any questions regarding this data review contact Renée Costello at 305-5294.

Peer reviewer: *Michael Davy 2/14/96*

Mike Davy, Agronomist

DATA EVALUATION RECORD  
EC<sub>50</sub> TEST WITH *LEMNA GIBBA*  
GUIDELINE 122-2 OR 123-2 (TIER II)

1. CHEMICAL: Isoxaflutole PC Code No.: 123000

2. TEST MATERIAL: Isoxaflutole Purity: 96.8%

3. CITATION

Authors: James R. Hoberg

Title: RPA 201772 - Toxicity to Duckweed, *Lemna gibba*

Study Completion Date: May 26, 1994

Laboratory: Springborn

Sponsor: Rhone-Poulenc

Laboratory Report ID: 94-6-5319

DP Barcode: D219141

MRID No.: 435732-46

4. REVIEWED BY: Renée Costello, Biologist, ERCB, EFED

Signature: *Renée Costello*

Date: 2/14/96

5. REVIEWED BY: Mike Davy, Agronomist, ERCB, EFED

Signature: *Michael Davy*

Date: 2/14/96

6. STUDY PARAMETERS

Definitive Test Duration: 14 days

Type of Concentrations: Mean measured and Nominal

7. CONCLUSIONS:

Results Synopsis

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8. ADEQUACY OF THE STUDY

A. Classification: Core

B. Rationale: N/A

C. Repairability: N/A

9. **GUIDELINE DEVIATIONS:** The study was generally in accordance with acceptable protocols.

10. **SUBMISSION PURPOSE:** Registration

11. **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

**A. Test Organisms**

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
<b><u>Species</u></b> <i>Lemna gibba</i>	<i>Lemna gibba</i>
<b><u>Number of Plants/Fronds</u></b> 5 plants, 3 fronds per plant.	5 plants, 3 fronds per plant
<b><u>Nutrients</u></b> Standard formula, e.g. 20XAAP	Hoagland's medium - similar to AAP

**B. Test System**

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
<b><u>Solvent</u></b>	acetone
<b><u>Temperature</u></b> 25°C	24 to 25 °C
<b><u>Light Intensity</u></b> 5.0 Lux (±15%)	3200 to 4300 Lux
<b><u>Photoperiod</u></b> Continuous	Continuous
<b><u>pH</u></b> Approximately 5.0	5.0 to 6.2
<b><u>Test System</u></b> Static or renewal	Renewal

**C. Test Design**

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
<b><u>Dose range</u></b> 2X or 3X progression	2x
<b><u>Doses</u></b> at least 5	0.00063, 0.0013, 0.0025, 0.0050, 0.010, and 0.020
<b><u>Controls</u></b> negative and/or solvent	negative and solvent
<b><u>Replicates per dose</u></b> 3 or more	3

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
<b>Duration of test</b> 14 days	14 days
<b>Daily observations were made?</b>	every 3 days and at test termination
<b>Method of Observations</b>	fronds counted
<b>Maximum Labeled Rate</b>	0.18 lb ai/acre

**12. REPORTED RESULTS**

Guideline Criteria	Reported Information
<b>Initial and 14 day frond count?</b>	3, 6, 9, 12, and 14
<b>Control frond count at 14 day &gt;2X initial count?</b>	>2x 3 day count
<b>Initial chemical concentrations measured? (Optional)</b>	Yes -- mean measured
<b>Raw data included?</b>	Yes

**Dose Response**

Dose (mg ai/L)	Mean Frond Biomass (g)	% Inhibition	14-Day pH
Control	0.11	N/A	6.2
Solvent Control	0.12	N/A	6.2
0.00056	0.12	-2.7	6.1
0.0011	0.11	7	6.1
0.0024	0.056	52	6.0
0.0047	0.030	74	6.0
0.0093	0.017	86	5.7
0.017	0.016	86	5.7

Dose (mg ai/L)	Mean Fronds/ Replicate	% Inhibition	14-Day pH
Control	598	N/A	6.2
Solvent Control	597	N/A	6.2
0.00056	570	4.4	6.1
0.0011	625	-4.8	6.1
0.0024	443	26	6.0
0.0047	223	63	6.0
0.0093	197	67	5.7
0.017	155	74	5.7

### Statistical Results

Statistical Method: Linear regression

Frond density:

EC<sub>50</sub>: 0.0054 mg ai/L      95% C.I.: 0.0024 - 0.013 mg ai/L

NOEC: 0.0011 mg ai/L

Frond biomass:

EC<sub>50</sub>: 0.0032 mg ai/L      95% C.I.: 0.0013 - 0.0076 mg ai/L

NOEC: 0.0011 mg ai/L

### 13. Verification of Statistical Results

Statistical Method: Williams test

Frond density:

EC<sub>50</sub>: 0.0049 mg ai/L      95% C.I.: 0.0036 - 0.0066 mg ai/L

EC<sub>25</sub>: 0.0018 mg ai/L      95% C.I.: 0.0011 - 0.0030 mg ai/L

NOEC: 0.0011 mg ai/L      Slope: 1.55

Frond biomass:

EC<sub>50</sub>: 0.0051 mg ai/L      95% C.I.: 0.0024 - 0.011 mg ai/L

EC<sub>25</sub>: 0.0023 mg ai/L      95% C.I.: 0.00068 - 0.0078 mg ai/L

NOEC: 0.0011 mg ai/L      Slope: 1.97

Program: Nuthatch

Date: 2/12/96

Toxicity measurement for continuous endpoints, using weighted nonlinear regression, weighting proportional to predicted means.

Reference

R.D. Bruce and D.J. Versteeg. 1992. A statistical procedure for modeling continuous toxicity data. Env. Tox. and Chem. 11:1485-1494.

LEM.DAT : lemna 14-day frond production

Williams Test

[One-Sided Test for Decrease, alpha = 0.050000 ]

Dose	Isotone Means	T-bar	P-value	Significance
0	597	.		
0.00056	597	-0.04239	N.S.	
0.0011	597	-0.04239	N.S.	
0.0024	443	9.739	<0.005	*
0.0047	223	23.77	<0.005	*
0.0093	197	25.38	<0.005	*
0.017	155	28.09	<0.005	*

"\*"=Significant; "N.S."=Not Significant.

Estimates of EC%

Parameter	Estimate	95% Bounds		Std.Err.	Lower Bound /Estimate
		Lower	Upper		
EC5	0.00043	0.00018	0.0010	0.18	0.43
EC10	0.00073	0.00036	0.0015	0.15	0.49
EC25	0.0018	0.0011	0.0030	0.11	0.60
EC50	0.0049	0.0036	0.0066	0.064	0.74

Slope = 1.55 Std.Err. = 0.195

!!!Poor fit: p < 0.001 based on DF= 4.00 17.0

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Program: Nuthatch  
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LEM2.DAT : lemna biomass  
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Williams Test  
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[One-Sided Test for Decrease, alpha = 0.050000 ]

Dose	Isotone Means	T-bar	P-value	Significance
0	0.115			
0.0011	0.107	1.186	N.S.	
0.0024	0.0679	6.725	<0.005	*
0.0047	0.0679	6.725	<0.005	*
0.0056	0.0679	6.725	<0.005	*
0.0093	0.0165	14.01	<0.005	*
0.017	0.0157	14.13	<0.005	*

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Estimates of EC%  
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Parameter	Estimate	95% Bounds		Std.Err.	Lower Bound /Estimate
		Lower	Upper		
EC5	0.00074	9.8E-05	0.0056	0.42	0.13
EC10	0.0011	0.00020	0.0063	0.36	0.18
EC25	0.0023	0.00068	0.0078	0.25	0.30
EC50	0.0051	0.0024	0.011	0.16	0.48

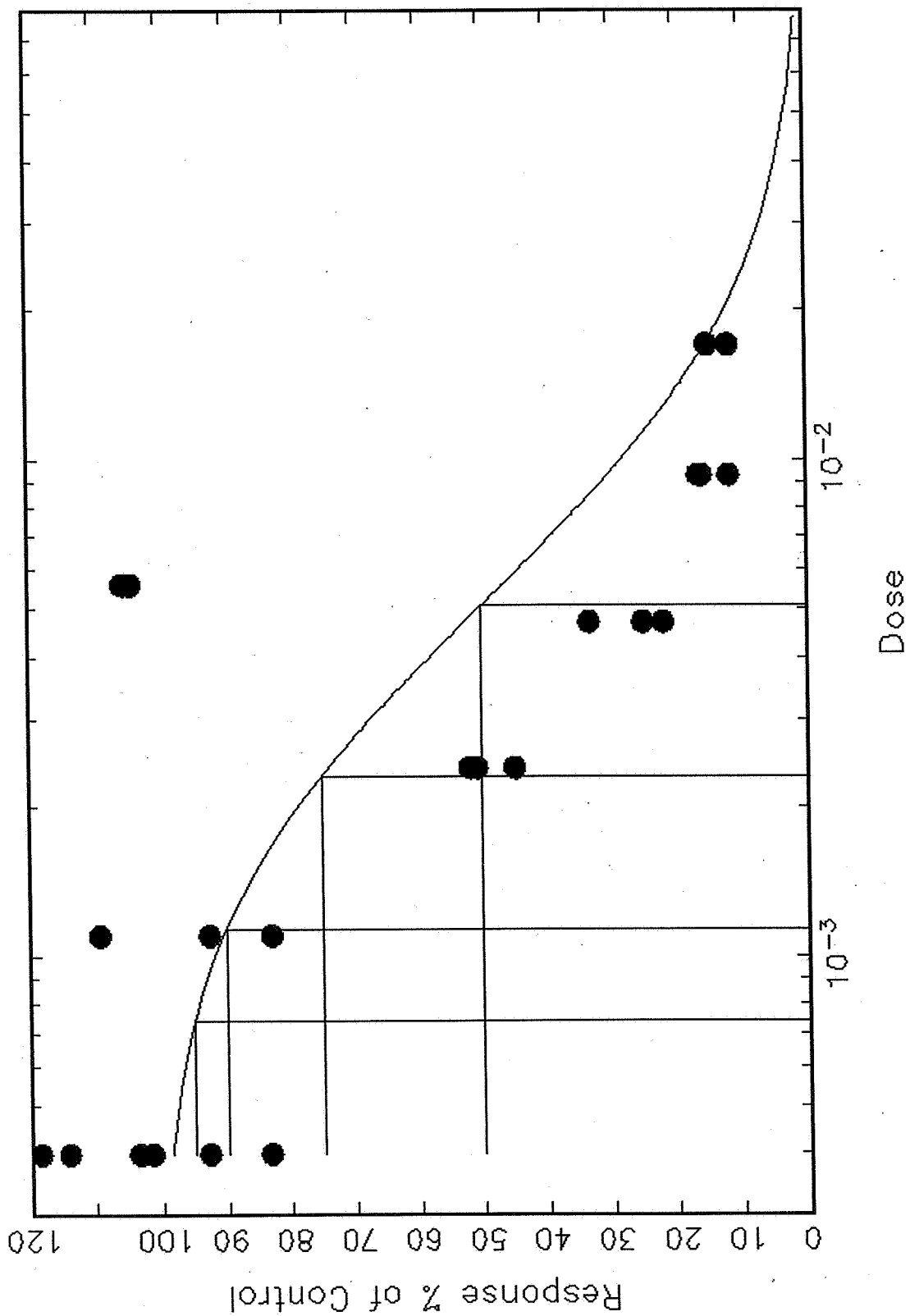
Slope = 1.97 Std.Err. = 0.724

!!!Poor fit: p < 0.001 based on DF= 4.00 17.0

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LEM2.DAT : lemna biomass



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