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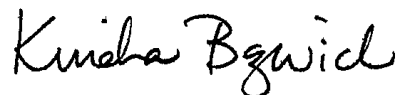
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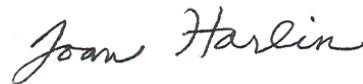
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**Adsorption and desorption of Profenofos in five soils.**

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**Statements:** The study was conducted in accordance with USEPA Title 40 Part 160 CFR (p. 3). Signed and dated Data Confidentiality, GLP, Quality Assurance statements were provided (pp. 2-4). A Certification of Authenticity was not provided.

**Classification:** This study is supplemental.

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**Executive Summary**

In a batch equilibrium study, five U.S. soils (pH range 4.7-6.0) were used to measure sorption coefficients of [phenyl-U-<sup>14</sup>C]-labeled profenofos (CGA015324). Preliminary studies showed that [<sup>14</sup>C]profenofos was highly unstable in all soil:solution slurries following 24 hours in darkness at 20 ± 2°C using both non-irradiated and gamma irradiated test soils. K<sub>oc</sub> values were determined using OECD Guideline 121 employing an isocratic HPLC system (cyanopropyl [CN] column). Seven reference standards were injected onto the column along with profenofos, including a similar reference compound sulprofos.

Adsorption K<sub>oc</sub> values were determined to be 3.922 (log K<sub>oc</sub> = 3.59) for profenofos and 6.740 (log K<sub>oc</sub> = 3.83) for sulprofos.

Based on profenofos instability in soils and its HPLC determined adsorption K<sub>oc</sub>, profenofos has a very low mobility potential. Sulprofos was considered immobile.

**Results Synopsis:****Table 1. Summary of Adsorption/Desorption Results**

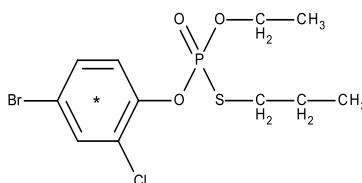
| Soil/<br>Sediment,<br>% OC<br>pH | Regressed K <sub>d</sub><br>(L/kg-soil) |                |             | Range of K <sub>d</sub><br>(L/kg-soil) | Regressed<br>K <sub>OC</sub> (L/kg-<br>OC) | K <sub>F</sub><br>((L/kg-soil) <sup>-1/n</sup> ) |                |             | 1/n for<br>adsorption | K <sub>FOC</sub><br>(L/kg-OC) <sup>-1/n</sup> | Ceq<br>Range<br>(mg/L) |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------|
|                                  | Value<br>± SE                           | r <sup>2</sup> | p-<br>value |                                        | Value ± SE                                 | Value<br>± SE                                    | r <sup>2</sup> | p-<br>value | Value ± SE            | Value ± SE                                    |                        |
| Adsorption                       |                                         |                |             |                                        |                                            |                                                  |                |             |                       |                                               |                        |
| Not determined.                  |                                         |                |             |                                        |                                            |                                                  |                |             |                       |                                               |                        |
| Desorption                       |                                         |                |             |                                        |                                            |                                                  |                |             |                       |                                               |                        |
| Not determined.                  |                                         |                |             |                                        |                                            |                                                  |                |             |                       |                                               |                        |

Abbreviations: SE = standard error of regression.

## I. Material and Methods

### A. Materials

- 1. Test Material:** [Phenyl]-U-<sup>14</sup>C]-labeled profenofos (CGA015324; p. 13)  
Batch/Lot number: RDR-X-36  
Specific radioactivity: 63.9  $\mu$ Ci/mg  
Radiochemical purity:  $\geq 95\%$  (Figures 3-4, pp. 31-32)  
Chemical purity: Not reported  
Solubility in water: 16 mg/L at 20°C (p. 16; Appendix 1, p. 62)  
Structure:



**2. Reference**

**Compounds:** Profenofos (CGA015324; p. 13; Appendix 1, p. 60)  
Lot number: AMS137\6  
Purity: 98.7%

CGA055960  
Lot number: GAN-XI-46  
Purity: 99.2%

- 3. Soils/Sediment:** The study was conducted using five U.S. soils (p. 14; Tables 1-2, pp. 21-22). Soils were collected at depths up to 15 cm. There were no pesticides used at the Kansas, Montana, and North Carolina collection sites. Glyphosate was used in the last 5 years at the Arkansas and Ohio collection sites. The soils were air dried and sieved (2 mm), then stored at ambient temperature. A summary of the physical and chemical properties of the soils using USDA Soil Taxonomy is provided in Table 2. The soils were representative of use sites.

**Table 2. Description of Soil/Sediment**

| Soil Name                         | Jackson     | Crawford     | Butler     | Lenoir     | Union     |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Origin                            | Jackson, AR | Crawford, KS | Butler MO  | Lenoir, NC | Union, OH |
| USDA Textural Class               | Sandy loam  | Loam         | Loamy sand | Loamy sand | Clay loam |
| % Sand                            | 53          | 27           | 87         | 85         | 27        |
| % Silt                            | 42          | 48           | 8          | 12         | 36        |
| % Clay                            | 5           | 25           | 5          | 3          | 37        |
| %OC <sup>A</sup>                  | 0.64        | 2.4          | 0.48       | 1.91       | 2.44      |
| CEC (meq/100 g)                   | 6.2         | 14.1         | 5.8        | 6.5        | 13.1      |
| pH (1:1 water)                    | 6.3         | 6.0          | 6.1        | 5.4        | 6.5       |
| pH (1:1 0.01M CaCl <sub>2</sub> ) | 6.0         | 5.3          | 5.7        | 4.7        | 6.0       |
| % moisture (1/3 bar)              | 13.4        | 30.6         | 5.7        | 12.1       | 28.3      |
| Soil Taxonomy                     | NR          | NR           | NR         | NR         | NR        |
| CaCO <sub>3</sub> equivalence     | NR          | NR           | NR         | NR         | NR        |

Data were obtained from Table 1, p. 21 of the study report.

A Determined by the reviewer as % om/1.72.

NR = not reported.

## B. Study design

- 1. Experimental conditions:** Preliminary tests were conducted to determine the optimal conditions to be used in the definitive study (p. 15; Appendix 1, pp. 62-71). Adsorption to the test containers was examined at nominal concentrations of 0.02, 0.1, 0.3, 1, and 3 µg/mL. No significant adsorption to the test containers was observed. To determine the soil:solution ratio to be used in the definitive test, aliquots of air-dried soils were added to 0.01M CaCl<sub>2</sub> solution and treated with [phenyl-U-<sup>14</sup>C]profenofos at a nominal test concentration of 0.3 µg/mL. The soil:solution ratios tested were 1:1, 1:2, 1:4, 1:10, and 1:20 (w:v). The samples were shaken in the dark at 20 ± 2°C for 24 hours. Following equilibration, the samples were centrifuged and aliquots of the supernatants were analyzed using LSC and HPLC (Phenomenex Synergi 4 µ Hydro RP 80A column, gradient mobile phase of (A) HPLC grade water with 0.1% acetic acid and (B) acetonitrile, with UV (245 nm) and radioactive flow detection; p. 14; Appendix 1, pp. 72-73). It was determined that [<sup>14</sup>C]profenofos was stable in 0.01M CaCl<sub>2</sub> solution without soil, but was unstable in all soil slurries (p. 17; Table 6, p. 26; Figure 5, p. 33). The percent of degradation ranged from *ca.* 29-82%, based on HPLC analysis (Figures 6-10, pp. 34-38).

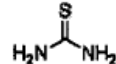
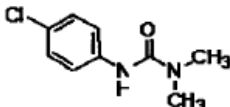
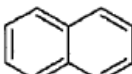
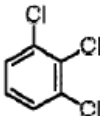
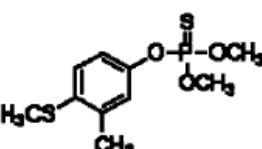
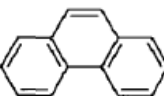
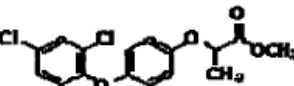
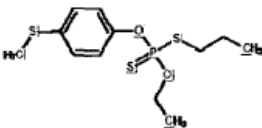
In an attempt to eliminate any biotic premature degradation, all soils were sterilized by gamma irradiation (523 minutes at 40.6-50.8 kGy) and re-analyzed under the same preliminary test conditions (p. 17; Appendix 1, p. 65). [<sup>14</sup>C]Profenofos was still unstable in all soil slurries (Table 6, p. 26; Figure 17, p. 45). The percent of degradation ranged from *ca.* 25-66%, based on HPLC analysis (Figures 12-16, pp. 40-44).

Due to instability of [<sup>14</sup>C]profenofos in all soil slurries, a cyanopropyl HPLC column (bearing lipophilic and polar moieties) with an isocratic mobile phase was used to generate a calibration curve using seven reference standards with different and known adsorption coefficient *K*<sub>oc</sub> values (pp. 15-16; Appendix 1, p. 61; Appendix 1, pp. 74-76). The following reference standards were used:

Table 3. Reference Standards

Reference Standards

## Selected Koc Reference Standards Cited by OECD Guideline 121

| Compound ID and Description                                                                  | *Log Koc | Lot/Batch # | Purity % (Supplier)   | CAS Number | Structure                                                                             |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Thiourea                                                                                     | **       | A0285880    | 99% (Acros Organics)  | 62-56-6    |    |
| Monuron                                                                                      | 1.99     | SZE8114X    | 99.9% (Sigma-Aldrich) | 150-68-5   |    |
| Linuron                                                                                      | 2.59     | SZBA013XV   | 99.9% (Sigma-Aldrich) | 330-55-2   |    |
| Naphthalene                                                                                  | 2.75     | MKBF8633    | 99.9% (Sigma-Aldrich) | 91-20-3    |    |
| 1,2,3-Trichloro-benzene                                                                      | 3.16     | 12912pfv    | 99.9% (Sigma-Aldrich) | 87-61-6    |    |
| Fenthion                                                                                     | 3.31     | SZBA125XV   | 98.3% (Sigma-Aldrich) | 55-38-9    |  |
| Phenanthrene                                                                                 | 4.09     | MKBF4471V   | 99.6% (Sigma-Aldrich) | 85-01-8    |  |
| Diclofop-methyl                                                                              | 4.20     | SZBA130XV   | 99.2% (Sigma-Aldrich) | 51338-27-3 |  |
| Sulprofos<br>(IUPAC name: O-ethyl<br>o-(4-methylthiophenyl)<br>s-propyl<br>phosphorothioate) | ***      | 457-127A    | 94.0% (Chem Service)  | 35400-43-2 |  |

\*Log Koc values taken from OECD 121 guidelines. \*\*Thiourea was used to determine the HPLC column 'dead' volume. \*\*\*Sulprofos's log Koc was not cited in the OECD 121 guidelines, but determined within this study due to some structure similarities to profenofos.

Individual injections of each reference standard and the test substance, profenofos, were made using HPLC-UV to determine retention times. The reference compounds were injected before and after the test substance to ensure system stability. The adsorption coefficient  $K_{oc}$  of profenofos was determined by interpolation from the calibration curve. The  $K_{oc}$  value of another insecticide sulprofos, bearing some structure similarities to profenofos, was also determined.

- 2. Analytical procedures:** Radioactivity in the aqueous supernatants was determined by Liquid Scintillation Counting (LSC; p. 14). Supernatants were analyzed using HPLC (Phenomenex Luna CN column, isocratic mobile phase of (A) HPLC grade water and (B) acetonitrile, with UV (254 nm) and radioactive flow detection; p. 15; Appendix 1, p. 75). The Limit of Detection (LOD) for LSC analysis was 64 dpm (Appendix 1, p. 73). For the Limit of Quantification (LOQ), it was determined that a peak containing 500 dpm was *ca.* 1% of the applied radioactivity.

## II. Results and Discussion

**A. Mass Balance:** Not applicable.

**B. Transformation of Parent Compound:** Not applicable.

**C. Findings:** Adsorption  $K_{oc}$  values were determined to be 3890 ( $\log K_{oc} = 3.59$ ) for profenofos and 6760 ( $\log K_{oc} = 3.83$ ) for sulprofos (p. 17; Table 7, p. 27; Figures 28-29, pp. 56-58). Based on McCall et al., profenofos was classified as having a slight mobility potential to leach in soils, while sulprofos was considered immobile.

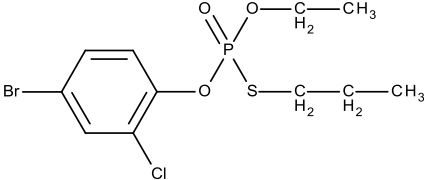
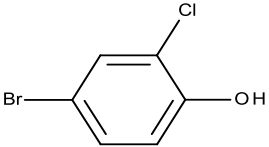
## III. Study Deficiencies and Reviewer's Comments

- OECD Guidelines for Testing of Chemicals, Guideline 121: Estimation of the Adsorption Coefficient ( $K_{oc}$ ) on Soil and on Sewage Sludge using High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC) (adopted 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2001) was used to estimate  $K_{oc}$  values for profenofos (p. 11).
- The maximum single label application rate for profenofos is 1 lb ai/acre (p. 12).
- It is unclear why rapid degradation of profenofos occurs in this study and not in similar studies (MRID 41627311).

## IV. References

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. 2008. Fate, Transport and Transformation Test Guidelines, OPPTS 835.1230, adsorption/desorption (batch equilibrium). Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances, Washington, DC. EPA 712-C-08-019.

**DER ATTACHMENT 1. Profenofos and Its Environmental Transformation Products. <sup>A</sup>**

| Code Name/<br>Synonym                             | Chemical Name                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Chemical Structure                                                                   | Study<br>Type                    | MRID     | Maximum<br>%AR (day) | Final %AR<br>(study length) |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>PARENT</b>                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                      |                                  |          |                      |                             |
| <b>Profenofos<br/>(CGA015324)</b>                 | <b>IUPAC:</b> (RS)-(O-4-bromo-2-chlorophenyl O-ethyl S-propyl phosphorothioate)<br><br><b>CAS:</b> O-(4-bromo-2-chlorophenyl) O-ethyl S-propyl phosphorothioate<br><br><b>CAS No.:</b> 41198-08-7<br><br><b>Formula:</b> C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>15</sub> BrClO <sub>3</sub> PS<br><b>MW:</b> 373.63 g/mol<br><b>SMILES:</b><br>CCCSP(=O)(OCC)Oc1ccc(Br)cc1Cl |    | 835.1230<br>Batch<br>equilibrium | 48612101 | NA                   | NA                          |
| <b>MAJOR (&gt;10%) TRANSFORMATION PRODUCTS</b>    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                      |                                  |          |                      |                             |
| No major transformation products were identified. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                      |                                  |          |                      |                             |
| <b>MINOR (&lt;10%) TRANSFORMATION PRODUCTS</b>    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                      |                                  |          |                      |                             |
| No minor transformation products were identified. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                      |                                  |          |                      |                             |
| <b>REFERENCE COMPOUNDS NOT IDENTIFIED</b>         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                      |                                  |          |                      |                             |
| <b>CGA055960</b>                                  | <b>IUPAC:</b> 4-Bromo-2-chloro-phenol<br><br><b>CAS:</b> Phenol, 4-Bromo-2-chloro-<br><br><b>CAS No.:</b> 3964-56-5<br><br><b>Formula:</b> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> BrClO<br><b>MW:</b> 207.45 g/mol<br><b>SMILES:</b> c1cc(c(cc1Br)Cl)O                                                                                                                |  | 835.1230<br>Batch<br>equilibrium | 48612101 | NA                   | NA                          |

<sup>A</sup> AR means “applied radioactivity”. MW means “molecular weight”. NA means "not applicable".

**Attachment 2: Statistics Spreadsheets and Graphs**

### Attachment 3: Calculations

Calculations were performed by the reviewer using Excel and the following equations.

$C_{eq}$  range is the range of test concentrations in water at equilibrium.

$C_s$  is the test concentrations sorbed to soil or sediment at equilibrium.

$$K_d - \text{Distribution Coefficient for Adsorption} = C_s / C_{eq} \quad (\text{eq 1})$$

- Regressed  $K_d$  is calculated using linear regression of  $C_s$  versus  $C_{eq}$  with a forced zero intercept over the range of measured  $C_{eq}$  for each soil/sediment.
- Range of  $K_d$  reflects the range of each  $K_d$  measured at a specific concentration in a soil/sediment

$$K_{OC} - \text{Organic Carbon Normalized Adsorption Coefficient} = \text{regressed } K_d * 100 / \% \text{ OC} \quad (\text{eq 2})$$

$$\text{Standard Error (SE) of } K_{OC} = K_d \text{ SE} * 100 / \% \text{ OC} \quad (\text{eq 3})$$

$K_F$  -Freundlich Adsorption Coefficient and the Freundlich exponent ( $1/n$ ) were calculated using nonlinear regression of  $C_s = K_F \times C_{eq}^{1/n}$ .  $C_s$  should be expressed in mg/kg and  $C_{eq}$  should be expressed in mg/L in the regression. (eq 4)

$$K_{FOC} - \text{Organic Carbon Normalized Adsorption Coefficient} = K_F * 100 / \% \text{ OC} \quad (\text{eq 5})$$

$$\text{Standard Error (SE) of } K_{FOC} = K_F \text{ SE} * 100 / \% \text{ OC} \quad (\text{eq 6})$$

$K_{DES}$  –Apparent Desorption Coefficient =  $C_s / C_{eq}$  where  $C_s$  and  $C_{eq}$  are measured after an initial sorption measurement and the soil/sediment is placed in a new solution and allowed to equilibrate, so that any material in solution desorbed from the soil/sediment. (eq 7)

- Regressed  $K_{DES}$  is calculated using linear regression of  $C_s$  versus  $C_{eq}$  over the range of  $C_{eq}$  measured with a forced zero intercept for each soil/sediment.
- Range of  $K_{DES}$  reflects the range of each  $K_{DES}$  measured at a specific concentration in a soil/sediment

$$K_{OC-DES} - \text{Organic Carbon Normalized Apparent Desorption Coefficient} = \text{regressed } K_{DES} * 100 / \% \text{ OC} \quad (\text{eq 8})$$

$$\text{Standard Error of } K_{OC-DES} = K_{DES} \text{ SE} * 100 / \% \text{ OC} \quad (\text{eq 9})$$

$K_{F-DES}$  -Freundlich Desorption Coefficient and the Freundlich Desorption exponent ( $1/n$ ) were calculated using nonlinear regression of  $C_s = K_{F-DES} \times C_{eq}^{1/n}$  (eq 10)

$$K_{FOC-DES} - \text{Organic Carbon Normalized Freundlich Desorption Coefficient} = K_{F-DES} * 100 / \% \text{ OC} \quad (\text{eq 11})$$

$$\text{Standard Error of } K_{FOC-DES} = K_F \text{ SE} * 100 / \% \text{ OC} \quad (\text{eq 12})$$