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**Data Evaluation Report on the Acute Toxicity of Orthosulfamuron to Aquatic Vascular Plants *Lemna gibba***

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**Data Requirement:**

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**Test material:** Orthosulfamuron **Purity:** 49.96 a.i.%  
**Common name**  
**Chemical name:** IUPAC: Not reported  
CAS name: Not reported  
CAS No.: Not reported  
Synonyms: IR5878 50WG

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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

In a 7 day acute toxicity study, the freshwater aquatic vascular plant *Lemna gibba* G3 (duckweed) were exposed to IR5878 50WG (a.i. Orthosulfamuron, 49.96%) at nominal concentrations of 0.074, 0.16, 0.36, 0.81, 1.8 and 4.0 µg/L under static conditions. The measured (mean) concentrations were 0.074, 0.16, 0.52, 0.86, 1.9 and 3.9 µg/L.

After 7 days, frond inhibitions were 6.1, 15, 10, 32, 72 and 83% in the 0.074, 0.16, 0.52, 0.86, 1.9 and 3.9 µg/L treatment groups, respectively, compared to the control. The NOAEC and EC<sub>50</sub>/IC<sub>50</sub> values based on frond number were 0.52 and 1.4 µg/L, respectively. The study authors additionally provided toxicity estimates for growth rate (but did not provide replicate data to verify these results); the NOAEC and EC<sub>50</sub>/IC<sub>50</sub> values based on growth rate were 0.52 and 2.0 µg/L.

This study is scientifically sound satisfies the guideline requirement for an aquatic vascular plant study with *Lemna gibba*. This study is classified ACCEPTABLE.

## **Results Synopsis**

Test Organism: *Lemna gibba*

Test Type: Static

### **Frond Number; reviewer-reported:**

EC<sub>05</sub>: 0.28 µg/L (0.14 µg ai/L)      95% C.I.: 0.15-0.53 µg/L (0.07-0.26 µg ai/L)

EC<sub>50</sub>: 1.4 µg/L (0.7 µg ai/L)      95% C.I.: 1.1-1.8 µg/L (0.55-0.90 µg ai/L)

NOAEC: 0.52 µg/L (0.26 µg ai/L)

Probit Slope: 2.36±0.321

### **Growth rate; study author-reported:**

EC<sub>05</sub>: Not determined      95% C.I.: N/A

EC<sub>50</sub>: 2.0 µg/L (1.0 µg ai/L)      95% C.I.: 1.7-2.5 µg/L (0.85-1.2 µg ai/L)

NOAEC: 0.52 µg/L (0.26 µg ai/L)

Probit Slope: Not reported

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## I. MATERIALS AND METHODS

**GUIDELINE FOLLOWED:** The test protocol was based on the U.S. EPA-FIFRA Pesticide Assessment Guidelines, Subdivision J, Hazard Evaluation: Nontarget Plants Guidelines 122-2 and 123-2. The following deviations from U.S. EPA Guideline 123-2 are noted: The deviations from U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Series 850-Ecological Effects Test Guidelines (*draft*), OPPTS Number 850.4400, *Aquatic Plant Toxicity Test Using Lemna spp., Tiers I and II* included:

1. All the test concentrations were not analytically determined. Because the lower nominal concentrations (0.074 and 0.16 µg/L) were less than the LOQ, the analytical results provided for them were questionable. Nominal concentrations were used for these levels in all statistical analyses.
2. Temperature during the study (24.1-24.8°C) ranged higher than recommended 20±2°C.

**COMPLIANCE:** Signed and dated GLP, Quality Assurance and No Data Confidentiality statements were provided. The study followed the UK Good Laboratory Practice standards.

### A. MATERIALS:

1. **Test material** IR5878 50WG (Orthosulfamuron)

**Description:** Brown granular solid

**Lot No./Batch No.:** G038/02

**Purity:** 49.96%

#### Stability of compound

**under test conditions:** The measured concentrations of orthosulfamuron were 95.5-118% of nominal at Hour 0 and 95.5-169% at 7 days.

(OECD recommends water solubility, stability in water and light, pKa, Pow, and vapor pressure of test compound) Only the water solubility was reported.

#### Storage conditions of test chemicals:

The test material was stored under ambient conditions.

#### Physicochemical properties of orthosulfamuron.

Parameter	Values	Comments
Water solubility at 20EC	Not reported	
Vapor pressure	Not reported	
UV absorption	Not reported	
pKa	Not reported	
Kow	Not reported	

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**2. Test organism:**

**Name:** Duckweed, *Lemna gibba* EPA requires a vascular species: *Lemna gibba*  
**Strain, if provided:** G3  
**Source:** In house cultures originally obtained from US Department of Agriculture  
**Age of inoculum:** 2 weeks  
**Method of cultivation:** 20X-AAP

**B. STUDY DESIGN:**

**1. Experimental Conditions**

- a. Range-finding study: A range-finding study was not reported.
- b. Definitive Study

**Table 1: Experimental Parameters**

Parameter	Details	Remarks ----- Criteria
Acclimation period:	Continuous culture	
Culturing media and conditions: (same as test or not)	20X-AAP  Not reported	
Health: (any mortality observed)		
<u>Test system</u> Static/static renewal	Static	<i>EPA expects the test concentrations to be renewed every 3 to 4 days (one renewal for the 7 day test, 3-4 renewals for the 14 day test).</i>
Renewal rate for static renewal	N/A	
Incubation facility	Environmental chamber	
Duration of the test	7 days	<i>EPA requires a duration of 14 days. Seven day studies will be accepted for review by the Agency.</i>
<u>Test vessel</u> Material: (glass/stainless steel) Size: Fill volume:	Glass beakers 250 mL 100 mL	

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Parameter	Details	Remarks ----- Criteria
<p><u>Details of growth medium name</u>                      pH at test initiation:                      pH at test termination:                      Chelator used:                      Carbon source:</p>	<p>7.8-7.9                      8.7-8.9                      disodium EDTA                      NaHCO<sub>3</sub></p>	<p>The pH was adjusted to 7.6 using 10% HCl                      -----  <i>EPA recommends the following culture media: Modified Hoagland's E+ or 20X-AAP.</i>    <i>EPA recommends 20X-AAP and chelating agents (e.g. EDTA) in the nutrient medium for optimum cell growth. Lower concentrations of chelating agents (down to one-third of the normal concentration recommended for AAP medium) may be used in the nutrient medium used for test solution preparation if it is suspected that the chelator will interact with the test material. ASTM reference, E1415-91 and D 3978-80 (reapproved 1987).</i></p>
<p>If non-standard nutrient medium was used, detailed composition provided (Yes/No)</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>	
<p><u>Dilution water</u>                      source/type:                      pH:                      water pretreatment (if any):                      Total Organic Carbon:                      particulate matter:                      metals:                      pesticides:                      chlorine:</p>	<p>Sterile bottled water                      Not reported                      Not reported                      Not reported                      Not reported                      Not detected                      Not detected                      Not reported</p>	<p>-----  <i>EPA recommends a pH of ~5.0. A solution pH of 7.5 is acceptable if type 20X-AAP nutrient media is used.</i></p>
<p>Indicate how the test material is added to the medium (added directly or used stock solution)</p>	<p>Stock solution</p>	
<p>Aeration or agitation</p>	<p>Not reported</p>	

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Parameter	Details	Remarks <i>Criteria</i>
<u>Sediment used (for rooted aquatic vascular plants)</u> Origin: Textural classification (%sand, silt, and clay): Organic carbon (%): Geographic location:	Not applicable	
<u>Number of replicates</u> Control: Solvent control: Treatments:	3 N/A 3	
Number of plants/replicate	5	<i>EPA requires 5 plants.</i>
Number of fronds/plant	3	<i>EPA requires 3 fronds per plant.</i>
<u>Test concentrations</u> Nominal:  Measured:	0.074, 0.16, 0.36, 0.81, 1.8 and 4.0 µg/L  Mean: 0.52, 0.86, 1.9 and 3.9 µg/L; measured concentrations provided for 0.074 and 0.16 ranged from 268-2540% of nominal, so these levels were expressed nominally.	<i>EPA requires at least 5 test concentrations with a dose range of 2X or 3X progression.</i>
Solvent (type, percentage, if used)	N/A	
Method and interval of analytical verification	0 and 7 days, samples were analyzed using HPLC	
<u>Test conditions</u> Temperature: Photoperiod: Light intensity and quality:	24.1-24.8°C Continuous 4470-5730 lux with warm white lights	hourly measurement
<u>Reference chemical (if used)</u> name: concentrations:	None	
Other parameters, if any	None	

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**2. Observations:**

**Table 2: Observation parameters**

Parameters	Details	Remarks/Criteria
Parameters measured (e.g.,: number of fronds, plant dry weight or other toxicity symptoms)	Number of fronds and growth rate	
Measurement technique for frond number and other end points	Direct counts	
Observation intervals	Days 3, 5 and 7	
Other observations, if any	None	
Indicate whether there was an exponential growth in the control	Yes	
Were raw data included?	Replicate data were provided for frond number.	

**II. RESULTS and DISCUSSION:**

**A. INHIBITORY EFFECTS:**

After 7 days, frond inhibitions were 6.1, 15, 10, 32, 72 and 83% in the 0.074, 0.16, 0.52, 0.86, 1.9 and 3.9 µg/L. treatment groups, respectively, compared to the control. After 7 days, growth rate inhibitions were 2.3, 6.0, 4.5, 15, 49 and 68% in the 0.074, 0.16, 0.52, 0.86, 1.9 and 3.9 µg/L. treatment groups, respectively, compared to the control.

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**Table 3: Effect of orthosulfamuron on number of fronds (duckweed, *Lemna gibba*)**

Treatment (record measured and nominal concentration (µg/L))	Initial frond number/test solution	frond number at			
		3 days	5 days	7 days	
				frond number	% inhibition
Negative control	15	42	81	201	---
Solvent control (if used)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
0.074 (0.074)	15	42	81	189	6.1
0.16 (0.16)	15	39	74	171	15
0.36 (0.52)	15	39	71	180	10
0.81 (0.86)	15	34	59	137	32
1.8 (1.9)	15	27	35	56	72
4.0 (3.9)	15	25	27	34	83
Reference chemical (if used)	N/A				

Measured concentrations are in parentheses.

**Table 4: Statistical endpoint values.**

Statistical Endpoint	frond No.	growth rate	dry weight
NOAEC or EC <sub>05</sub> (µg/L)	0.52	0.52	NR
LOAEC (µg/L)	NR	NR	NR
IC <sub>50</sub> or EC <sub>50</sub> (µg/L) (95% C.I.)	1.3 (0.58-1.7)	2.0 (1.7-2.5)	NR
Other (IC <sub>25</sub> /EC <sub>25</sub> )	NR	NR	NR
Reference chemical NOAEC IC <sub>50</sub> /EC <sub>50</sub>	N/A	N/A	N/A

NR Not reported

**B. REPORTED STATISTICS:** The 7 day treatment and control response data passed the tests for normality (Shapiro-Wilks) and homogeneity of variance (Bartlett's). The 7 day EC<sub>50</sub> value was determined by linear interpolation. The reported toxicity values were determined in terms of the mean measured test concentrations.



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## C. VERIFICATION OF STATISTICAL RESULTS:

Statistical Method: Frond number data were analyzed using the Chi-square and Shapiro-Wilks tests for normality and the Hartley and Bartlett's tests for homogeneity of variances; data satisfied the assumptions of ANOVA. The NOAEC was determined using ANOVA, followed by William's test via TOXSTAT statistical software. The EC<sub>x</sub> values were determined using non-linear regression via Nuthatch statistical software. Mean-measured concentrations were used to compute these estimates.

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## D. STUDY DEFICIENCIES:

There were no study deficiencies.

## E. REVIEWER'S COMMENTS:

The reviewer's conclusions regarding frond number (the only endpoint for which replicate data were provided) were similar to the study authors'; because the reviewer's EC<sub>50</sub> estimate was associated with a narrower 95% confidence interval, it is reported in the Executive Summary and Conclusions sections.

While measured concentrations could not be provided for all test levels (given the limitation set by the LOQ), significant effects only occurred at those levels which could be analyzed.

The experimental start date was June 25, 2003 and the experimental termination date was July 2, 2003.

Due to the extremely high concentrations (114-2540% of nominal) at time 0, the stock solution was retested 4 days later. Four days later the 0.074 and 0.16 µg/L treatment groups were still 268-446% of nominal. Because of the unreliable results, the study authors used the nominal concentrations for statistical analysis.

## F. CONCLUSIONS:

This study is scientifically sound and is classified as ACCEPTABLE. Frond number was the more sensitive endpoint, with an EC<sub>50</sub> of 1.4 µg/L (0.7 µg ai/L); the EC<sub>05</sub> and NOAEC values were 0.28 µg/L (0.14 µg ai/L) and 0.52 µg/L (0.26 µg ai/L), respectively.

### Frond Number; reviewer-reported:

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### Growth rate; study author-reported:

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Probit Slope: Not reported

## III. REFERENCES:

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**APPENDIX I. OUTPUT OF REVIEWER'S STATISTICAL VERIFICATION:**

frond number (d7)

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ANOVA TABLE

SOURCE	DF	SS	MS	F
Between	6	80941.619	13490.270	30.978
Within (Error)	14	6096.667	435.476	
Total	20	87038.286		

Critical F value = 2.85 (0.05,6,14)

Since F > Critical F REJECT Ho:All groups equal

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DUNNETTS TEST - TABLE 1 OF 2

Ho:Control<Treatment

GROUP	IDENTIFICATION	TRANSFORMED MEAN	MEAN CALCULATED IN ORIGINAL UNITS	T STAT	SIG
1	control	201.000	201.000		
2	0.074	188.667	188.667	0.724	
3	0.16	171.333	171.333	1.741	
4	0.52	180.333	180.333	1.213	
5	0.86	136.667	136.667	3.776	*
6	1.9	56.000	56.000	8.510	*
7	3.9	34.000	34.000	9.801	*

Dunnett table value = 2.53 (1 Tailed Value, P=0.05, df=14,6)

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DUNNETTS TEST - TABLE 2 OF 2

Ho:Control<Treatment

GROUP	IDENTIFICATION	NUM OF REPS	Minimum Sig Diff (IN ORIG. UNITS)	% of CONTROL	DIFFERENCE FROM CONTROL
1	control	3			
2	0.074	3	43.108	21.4	12.333
3	0.16	3	43.108	21.4	29.667
4	0.52	3	43.108	21.4	20.667
5	0.86	3	43.108	21.4	64.333
6	1.9	3	43.108	21.4	145.000
7	3.9	3	43.108	21.4	167.000

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WILLIAMS TEST (Isotonic regression model) TABLE 1 OF 2

GROUP	IDENTIFICATION	N	ORIGINAL MEAN	TRANSFORMED MEAN	ISOTONIZED MEAN
1	control	3	201.000	201.000	201.000
2	0.074	3	188.667	188.667	188.667
3	0.16	3	171.333	171.333	175.833
4	0.52	3	180.333	180.333	175.833
5	0.86	3	136.667	136.667	136.667
6	1.9	3	56.000	56.000	56.000
7	3.9	3	34.000	34.000	34.000

frond number (d7)  
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WILLIAMS TEST (Isotonic regression model) TABLE 2 OF 2

IDENTIFICATION	ISOTONIZED MEAN	CALC. WILLIAMS	SIG P=.05	TABLE WILLIAMS	DEGREES OF FREEDOM
control	201.000				
0.074	188.667	0.724		1.76	k= 1, v=14
0.16	175.833	1.477		1.85	k= 2, v=14
0.52	175.833	1.477		1.88	k= 3, v=14
0.86	136.667	3.776	*	1.89	k= 4, v=14
1.9	56.000	8.510	*	1.90	k= 5, v=14
3.9	34.000	9.801	*	1.91	k= 6, v=14

s = 20.868

Note: df used for table values are approximate when v > 20.

Estimates of EC%

Parameter	Estimate	95% Bounds		Std.Err.	Lower Bound /Estimate
		Lower	Upper		
EC5	0.28	0.15	0.53	0.13	0.53
EC10	0.40	0.23	0.69	0.11	0.58
EC25	0.72	0.49	1.1	0.081	0.67
EC50	1.4	1.1	1.8	0.052	0.78

Slope = 2.36 Std.Err. = 0.321

Goodness of fit: p = 0.091 based on DF= 4.0 14.

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8939F : frond number (d7)

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Observed vs. Predicted Treatment Group Means  
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Dose	#Reps.	Obs. Mean	Pred. Mean	Obs. -Pred.	Pred. %Control	%Change
0.00	3.00	201.	192.	8.92	100.	0.00
0.0740	3.00	189.	192.	-3.17	99.9	0.130
0.160	3.00	171.	190.	-18.2	98.7	1.32
0.520	3.00	180.	162.	18.2	84.4	15.6
0.860	3.00	137.	132.	4.21	69.0	31.0
1.90	3.00	56.0	72.0	-16.0	37.5	62.5
3.90	3.00	34.0	27.9	6.06	14.5	85.5