UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

SUBJECT: 8.5% Carbaryl Flea Collar for Cats

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FROM:

Toxicology Branch

TO:

in the factorial

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Recommendation: Toxicology Branch now is able to recommend in favor of registration for this cat collar.

The following cholinesterase inhibition study was submitted in response to Toxicology Branch's objections (D. M. Reisa, 7-29-75) regarding the invalidity of the previously submitted study. Originally, the electrometric (ApH) method as modified by Frawley was used. This method has been shown to be unacceptable for determining cholinesterase inhibition by carbamates. An alternative titrimetric as well as the incorporation of a DDVP control group and a larger test population was suggested.

Rate of release of carbaryl from F-68-118-3 cat collar

Time (weeks) — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	Grams active lost/week	
Initial	0	
2	0.0964	
. 3	0.0819	
6	0.0662	
9 .	0.0550	
12	0.0503	
15	0.0429	
. 18	0.0378	

Cholinesterase Inhibition in Cats Method used: pH-Stat Method (Titrimetric)

Group	# of animals	
	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
Controls	3	5
8.5% carbaryl collars	5	7
4.75% DDVP collars	3	3

Samples taken:

-8, -6, -3, 0, 2, 4, 7, 12, 14 days

Results: Cats wearing the 4.75% DDVP collars experienced a mean decrease of 52% in plasma cholinesterase at day 4, and a 70% decrease in plasma cholinesterase at day 7. Values for both plasma and RBC cholinesterase remained low at 14 days.

Cats wearing the 8.5% carbaryl collar experienced a 20% mean decrease in RBC cholinesterase at day 7, and an 11% decrease in plasma cholinesterase at day 4.

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