

DATA EVALUATION RECORD
§ 143 - PREDATORY INSECT ACUTE TOXICITY TEST

1. **CHEMICAL:** Mesotrione PC Code No.: 122990
2. **TEST MATERIAL:** ZA1296 100 g l⁻¹ suspension concentrate
(9.4% w/w)

3. **CITATION:**
- Author: H.M. Austin
Title: A Laboratory Study to Evaluate the Effects of ZA1296 on the Parasitic Wasp *Aphidius rhopalosiphi*
- Study Completion Date: August 7, 1997
Laboratory: Ecotox Limited, Tavistock, Devon, England
Laboratory Report ID: ER-97-25
Sponsor: ZENECA Ag Products, Wilmington, DE
DP Barcode: D245475
MRID No.: 445050-14

4. **REVIEWED BY:** Mark Mossler, M.S., Toxicologist,
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Signature:  **Date:** 8/26/98

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Signature:  **Date:** 6/12/00

6. **STUDY PARAMETERS:**

Scientific Name of Test Organism: *Aphidius rhopalosiphi*
Definitive Study Duration: Mortality-48 h/Fecundity-13 d

7. **CONCLUSIONS:** This study is scientifically sound and provides supplemental information pertaining to the toxicity of ZA1296. The 48-hour LC₅₀ for parasitic wasps exposed to dried residues of the suspension concentrate of ZA1296 was greater than the proposed labeled rate (200 g ai/ha). This rate also served as the NOEC for mortality and fecundity.

8. **ADEQUACY OF THE STUDY:**

A. **Classification:** Supplemental.

1.1 lbs ai/A

B. **Rationale:** There is no EPA guideline requirement for a predatory insect acute toxicity test.

C. **Repairability:** N/A.

9. **GUIDELINE DEVIATIONS:** N/A.

10. **SUBMISSION PURPOSE:**

11. **MATERIALS AND METHODS:**

A. **Test Organisms**

Criteria	Reported Information
Species:	<i>Aphidius rhopalosiphi</i>
Age at beginning of test:	Adults
Supplier:	In-house cultures
All insects from the same source?	All wasps from the same source and the same age

B. **Test System**

Criteria	Reported Information
Chamber size adequate?	Yes
Lighting:	16-h light, 8-h dark
Temperature:	18.1-23.1°C
Relative humidity:	58-80%

C. **Test Design**

Criteria	Reported Information
Range finding test?	None reported
Reference toxicant tested?	Yes, dimethoate (336 g active ingredient [ai]/ha)

Criteria	Reported Information
Method of administration:	A. <i>rhopalosiphi</i> adults were reared on honey water in boxes containing a treated glass surface for 48 hours, then surviving females were placed in an enclosure containing aphids (<i>Rhopalosiphum padi</i>) for 24 hours. Number of parasitized aphids determined 12 days later.
Nominal doses: Sufficient number of dosage levels to yield statistically sound data.	Glass surface sprayed at the equivalent of 200 g ai/ha in a volume of 200 l/ha (21 GPA)
Controls: Negative control and/or diluent/solvent control.	Diluent (deionized water) and positive control groups
Number of wasps per box:	10 (5 female and 5 male)
Number of boxes per group: 3 replicate chambers per group is recommended.	Four boxes per treatment or control group
Solvent: Distilled water or the following solvents: dimethylformamide, triethylene glycol, methanol, acetone, ethanol.	Suspension concentrate dispersed in deionized water
Volume of test solution:	200 l/ha
Observation period:	Mortality assessed at 30 min., 2, 24, and 48 hours after transfer to exposure boxes and fecundity measured at 13 days after female transfer to cage with untreated barley seedlings infested with aphids
Maximum labeled rate:	The proposed application rate is 200 g ai/ha

12. REPORTED RESULTS:

Criteria	Reported Information
Quality assurance and GLP compliance statements were included in the report?	Yes
Control Mortality:	17.5% mortality in the control group, 20% in the treatment group
Raw data included?	Yes
Signs of toxicity (if any) were described?	Yes

Other Significant Results: Adult wasps were either classified as moribund or dead (no adverse effects were reported). Although there was a 3% reduction in survival and a 9% reduction in fecundity, these reductions were not significant at the 95% level of confidence (determined by ANOVA). A formula was used to predict total effect of the pesticide by integrating both corrected mortality of the adults and fecundity of the female wasps. This total effect was used to place the pesticide in one of four IOBC categories: Class 1 - <30% effect (harmless), Class 2 - 30-80% effect (slightly harmful), Class 3 - 80-99% effect (moderately harmful), and Class 4 - >99% effect (harmful). The author stated that the results of the test (12.7% total effect) place the test material into Class 1 - "harmless." By 24 hours after transfer to the dimethoate-treated chambers, all wasps were dead.

- 13. VERIFICATION OF STATISTICAL RESULTS:** Mortality and female wasp fecundity were compared with the use of a t-test. A significant reduction in mortality or fecundity was not detected.
- 14. REVIEWER'S COMMENTS:** This study is scientifically sound and provides supplemental information pertaining to the toxicity of ZA1296. The 48-hour LC₅₀ for parasitic wasps exposed to dried residues of the suspension concentrate of ZA1296 was greater than the proposed labeled rate (200 g ai/ha). This rate also served as the NOEC for mortality and fecundity.

Wasp 48-hour mortality

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EQUAL VARIANCE t-TEST - TABLE 1 OF 2 Ho:Control<Treatment

GROUP	IDENTIFICATION	TRANSFORMED MEAN	MEAN CALCULATED IN ORIGINAL UNITS	T STAT	SIG
1	Control	1.154	0.825		
2	Treatment	1.114	0.800	0.390	

2 Sample t table value = 1.94 (1 Tailed Value, P=0.05, df=6,1)

UNEQUAL VARIANCE t-TEST Ho:Control<Treatment

GROUP	IDENTIFICATION	TRANSFORMED MEAN	MEAN CALCULATED IN ORIGINAL UNITS	T STAT	SIG
1	Control	1.154	0.825		
2	Treatment	1.114	0.800	0.390	

2 Sample t table value = 2.13 (1 Tailed Value, P=0.05, df=4,1)

Wasp 48-hour mortality

File: wasp Transform: ARC SINE(SQUARE ROOT(Y))

EQUAL VARIANCE t-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	4			
2	Treatment	4	0.173	21.0	0.025

UNEQUAL VARIANCE t-TEST Ho:Control<Treatment

GROUP	IDENTIFICATION	NUM OF REPS	Minimum Sig Diff (IN ORIG. UNITS)	% of CONTROL	DIFFERENCE FROM CONTROL
1	Control	4			
2	Treatment	4	0.192	23.3	0.025

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Wasp fecundity

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EQUAL VARIANCE t-TEST - TABLE 1 OF 2

Ho:Control<Treatment

GROUP	IDENTIFICATION	TRANSFORMED MEAN	MEAN CALCULATED IN ORIGINAL UNITS	T STAT	SIG
1	Control	4.333	4.333		
2	Treatment	3.933	3.933	0.246	

2 Sample t table value = 1.70 (1 Tailed Value, P=0.05, df=28,1)

UNEQUAL VARIANCE t-TEST

Ho:Control<Treatment

GROUP	IDENTIFICATION	TRANSFORMED MEAN	MEAN CALCULATED IN ORIGINAL UNITS	T STAT	SIG
1	Control	4.333	4.333		
2	Treatment	3.933	3.933	0.246	

2 Sample t table value = 1.71 (1 Tailed Value, P=0.05, df=25,1)

Wasp fecundity

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EQUAL VARIANCE t-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	15			
2	Treatment	15	2.764	63.8	0.400

UNEQUAL VARIANCE t-TEST

Ho:Control<Treatment

GROUP	IDENTIFICATION	NUM OF REPS	Minimum Sig Diff (IN ORIG. UNITS)	% of CONTROL	DIFFERENCE FROM CONTROL
1	Control	15			
2	Treatment	15	2.775	64.0	0.400

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