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INTRODUCTION

A review considering transport and concentrations of trace elements in aquatic environments and the effects of metallic contaminants of particular interest in water pollution control and aquatic life preservation has been prepared for the yearly review issue of the Journal of the Water Pollution Control Federation (Vol. 46(6), pp. 1452ff, June, 1974). The documents abstracted in this compilation are those chosen for inclusion in the review. The purpose of the abstracted and keyworded citations is to provide more detailed information than could be included in the review itself.

This file remains as a Toxic Materials Information Center computer-searchable data base and will be updated during the coming year as we prepare a similar review for issue June 1975. Specific research inquiries in this area of concern may be addressed to the Toxic Materials Information Center, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, P. O. Box X, Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37830.

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CHROMIUM; CADMIUM; ARSENIC; SELENIUM; AQUATIC
BIOTA; REVIEW

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CHROMIUM; BIBLIOGRAPHY; WATER

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CADMIUM; BIBLIOGRAPHY; WATER

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MERCURY; FEDERAL; STATE; STANDARDS; GUIDELINES

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: 1971, May

WATER QUALITY; GUIDELINES; CHEMICALS; AQUATIC
BIOLOGY

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Mercury in the Biogeochemical Environment

: Department of Applied Earth Sciences, Stanford
University, Stanford, CA 94305

Report of Progress, February 1, 1973 to October
1, 1973

MERCURY; BIOGEOCHEMISTRY; ROCKS; SOILS;
MIGRATION; FAULTS; ORES; CINNABAR; FISH;
SEDIMENTS; ANAEROBIC; IRON SULFIDE; TRANSPORT;
DEPOSITOR; PARTICULATES; LEACHING; ADSORPTION;
EVAPORATION

Report deals mainly with the behavior of mercury
in rocks, water, sediments, and fish in the New
Almaden Area, California. There was no large
halo, but solutions containing mercury were
confined to narrow passage ways in the rocks. In
sediments more of the mercury was in the smaller,
organic particulates. The role of iron sulfides
in controlling mercury in anaerobic sediments is
discussed. Some experiments involved leaching
mercury from ore dumps. Also mercury in fish was
measured and found to be 3-4 ppm in mercury ore
regions. Adsorption, coprecipitation and the
evaporation of mercury from dilute solutions was
studied.

A
Report on Selected Trace Metals in the Lake Michigan Basin

; Pesticides Technical Committee

Report of the Pesticides Technical Committee to the Lake Michigan Enforcement Conference on Selected Trace Metals in the Lake Michigan Basin. (Pesticides Technical Committee Chairman: Chris Poto, EPA, 1 North Wacker, Chicago, Illinois 60606) 87pp.; 1972, September

TRACE ELEMENTS; AIR; LAKES; FRESHWATER; AQUATIC BIOTA; HUMANS; ATMOSPHERE; EMISSIONS; INDUSTRY; ZINC; COPPER; NICKEL; CHROMIUM; SEDIMENTS; BIOACCUMULATION; MERCURY; ARSENIC; PRODUCTION; MUNICIPAL SEWAGE; TOXICITY; SAFE LIMITS

An attempt was made to pull together available literature and unpublished data concerning selected trace metals in the Lake Michigan Basin. The metals selected are those which may cause problems to aquatic life or humans, even at very low concentrations. Although data are available from many different sources, no attempt is presently being made to monitor the overall conditions within the Lake Michigan Basin. Little is known about the sources and amounts of metals now entering the Lake. Airborne emissions from power plants, steel mills, and incinerators may be contributing significant amounts of some metals to the Lake environment. More study should be encouraged so that reliable estimates can be made and the true significance of airborne emissions established. While data are available on water concentrations of heavy metals in Lake Michigan and its tributaries, the levels of sensitivity and number and frequency of samples are inadequate to establish present conditions. Zinc occurs in high enough concentrations so that it is detectable using present techniques. Copper, cadmium, nickel, lead and chromium, are generally below detectability in Lake Michigan. Heavy metals in both Indiana and Michigan tributaries are often below the level of detectability, and little information is available from Wisconsin tributaries. Recent data indicate that the Grand River may be a significant source of copper, nickel, chromium, and zinc to the southern basin of the Lake. The Environmental Research Group, Inc. recently sampled Lake Michigan waters, sediments, and aquatic organisms to establish a baseline for 35 elements. Biologically important metals such as cadmium and nickel were not included, but work may begin to provide a baseline for some metals in Lake Michigan. Generally, however, analytical sensitivities for metals in water samples must be improved before any meaningful conclusions about the actual heavy metals concentration in Lake Michigan and the contribution of the tributaries to these levels can be established. Furthermore, tributaries must be sampled at various flow stages to enable an estimate of sources and mass balance to be made.

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LEAD; NATURAL WATERS; SALTWATER

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Adanovic, V.M.; Tomasevic, Z.; Od. Sanit. Hem., Zavod Zdravstvenu Zast., Belgrade, Yugoslavia

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REVIEW; MERCURY; ORGANIC COMPOUNDS; HUMANS; CONTAMINATION

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Ahr, W.M.; Dep. Geol., Texas A and M Univ., College Station, Tex.

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DDT; SOILS; LEAD; ARSENIC; ORGANOCHLORINE INSECTICIDE; INSECTICIDES

DDT (dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane) and some heavy metals are long-lived pollutants which may be retained in sedimentary layers and may be relocated by postdepositional biological or mechanical processes. This study shows the DDT profiles and the lead-arsenic content of some sediment cores from the Laguna Atascosa National Wildlife Refuge (Texas), an area surrounded by croplands that have been treated extensively with pesticides. DDT is most abundant near the tops of the core samples and it may be enriched in subsurface clayey layers. Therefore, postdepositional processes have relocated the DDT into secondary host strata. The relocation is attributed to burrowing and mixing by crabs, worms, and other organisms because burrows are ubiquitous and deep. Burrowing activity can be effective as an agent for relocation of tracers of pollutants in several ways: (1) physical mixing; (2) generation of open canals for continuous circulation of surface fluids deep into the substrate; and (3) ingestion at one site and excretion at another. Because DDT is persistent, it is concentrated through ecological levels in the environment. Lead and arsenic concentrations are not concentrated in the sediments of Laguna Atascosa, and no trend exists with depth in the substrate or with sediment type. Either lead and arsenic are very effectively retained in soils after their application or the metals have been transported as complexes or solutions through the coastal environment and into the Gulf of Mexico.

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C01G), 20 Mar. 1972, 21 pp.; 1972

ARSENIC; REMOVAL; RUBBER; MERCURY; LEAD; METALS;
UTERINUM; OXIDE; TIRES; ABSORPTION; WASTE
PURIFICATION

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Accumulation of Toxic Metals with Special
Reference to their Absorption, Excretion, and
Biological Half-Times. Task Group on Metal
Accumulation

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REVIEW; METALS; BIOACCUMULATION; TOXICITY;
ABSORPTION; EXCRETION; BIOLOGICAL HALF-TIMES

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Mercury Content of Albacore Tuna (THUNNUS
ALBACARES)

Aldrin, J.P.; Lemaitre, P.; Fonteneau, A.; Lab.
Dir. Peches, Abidjan, Ivory Coast

Recl. Med. Vet. (RMVZAG) 1973, 149(5), 779-92;
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MERCURY; TUNA; SWORDFISH; MARLIN

TAXONOMY: THUNNUS ALBACARES; THUNNUS OBESUS;
KATSUWONUS PELAMUS; ISURUS GLAUCUS

The mean levels of mercury in muscles of
1-6-year-old T. ALBACARES and T. OBESUS, caught
between Dakar and Pointe-Noire, were 0.48 and
0.46 ppm, respectively the Hg level increased
from 0.1 to 1.0-1.8 ppm as the age of fish
increased from 1 to 6 years. The mean levels of
Hg in XIPHIAS GLAUDIUS, KATSUWONUS PELAMIS, and
ISURUS GLAUCUS were 1.7, 0.2, and 1.1 ppm.

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Migration of Lead and Zinc in Surface Waters
During the Sharp Enrichment of the Waters with
Sulfides of the Metals

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WATER; LEAD; ZINC; MIGRATION; RIVERS; SEDIMENTS

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ORGANOMETALLIC COMPOUNDS; WATER; SELENIUM
DIMETHYLSELENIDE; TELLURIUM; DIMETHYLTELLURIDE;
TOXICITY; MICROBIOLOGY; TRANSFORMATION;
MICROORGANISM

TAXONOMY: PENICILLIUM

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AGRICULTURE; TRACE CYCLING; CONTROLS

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1973

ABSORPTION; ALGAE; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; CERIUM
144; CESIUM 137; COBALT 60; DIFFUSION; FISH; FOOD
CHAINS; INVERTEBRATES; IRON 55; MANGANESE 54;
MARINE DISPOSAL; MICROORGANISMS; RADIOACTIVE
WASTE DISPOSAL; RADIOECOLOGY; RADIONUCLIDE
MIGRATION; RETENTION; RUTHENIUM 106; SEDIMENTS;
SOLUBILITY; STRONTIUM 85; UPTAKE; VERTEBRATES;
ZINC 65; SALTWATER; CERIUM; CESIUM; COBALT; IRON;
MANGANESE; ZINC; STRONTIUM; RUTHENIUM

Various aspects of the physico-chemical and
biological fate of radioactive pollutants in the
marine environment are reviewed in the light of
the results of recent radioecological research.
In studying contamination of any kind, it is
necessary to take into account the relative
importance of physico-chemical and biological
processes that take place simultaneously. In a
certain number of cases the mechanisms whereby
elements present in small quantities in seawater
are adsorbed on to living organisms are similar
to those that apply to inert bodies. The
contribution of the species to fixation of the
element is passive, and the physico-chemical
properties of the contaminants and of the
contaminated carrier can dominate its own
biological properties, particularly the
physiological barrier of regulation. Various
types of equilibration of the pollution of the
organs, notably in fish, with the pollution of
the environment are examined, together with the
differences in the capability of various
competing sites for adsorption of a specific
pollutant, for example the capability of
sediments on the one hand and the living species
in contact with the sediments on the other.

Is Lead Really a Four Letter Word?

Anderson, M.W.; Wixson, R.G.

Presented at the Seventh Annual Conference on Trace Substances in Environmental Health University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO 65201, June 12-14, 1973; 1974

LEAD; INDUSTRY; MINES; SHELTER; ENVIRONMENTAL SAFEGUARDS; SETTLING PONDS; SAMPLING; SULFUR DIOXIDE; FURNACING; ACID PLANT; TAILINGS; MILLING; ALGAE; RECIRCULATION; ARTIFICIAL MEANDERS; SINTERING

A practical, common sense, working partnership developed in the MSW (RAMM) Lead Project has allowed environmentalists to work with engineers from industry to expose and resolve problems for social and economic benefits. In the New Lead Belt (SE Missouri) a formalized cooperative research effort among the AMAX Lead Corporation of Missouri, the University of Missouri, and the U.S. Forest Service began in 1970 when tree discoloration, or bronzing, was noticed in the new growths on trees down-wind from a smelter. A network of atmospheric monitoring stations was set up around the smelter and data from these stations showed SO₂ to be the cause of the tree bronzing. Costly, but effective, measures were taken by the AMAX Corporation to eliminate the problem. Measures have also been taken to eliminate lead dust, CO₂ and carbonate, and organic pollution of streams nearby.

Flow and Chemical Characteristics of the St. Johns River at Jacksonville, FL

Anderson, W.; Goolsby, D.A.

United States Geological Survey, Bureau of Geology, Florida Department of Natural Resources, Consolidated City of Jacksonville, Open-File Report 73008; 1973

FLOW CHARACTERISTICS; CHEMISTRY; RIVERS; ESTUARIES; CHLORIDE; STRATIFICATION; TEMPERATURE

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., Florida (S) Jacksonville, St. John's River

The St. Johns River at Jacksonville, which is 21 miles upstream from the ocean, is part of a tidal estuary that for practical purposes may be considered to end at Lake George, 106 miles upstream from the ocean. Occasionally, tidal effects are noted 161 miles upstream. The channel of the estuary above Jacksonville is capable of storing huge amounts of water past Jacksonville. Most of this water subsequently flows back past Jacksonville as the ocean tide falls. These tidal flows average 87,000 cubic feet per second at Jacksonville, and peak flows exceeding 150,000 cubic feet per second are common. The average tidal flows are more than seven times as large as the average net for fresh-water flow. Fresh water draining from the estuary increases the volume and duration of ebb tidal flows (downstream) and diminishes the volume and duration of flood tidal flows (upstream). About a quarter of the fresh water that flows into the estuary from April through September is released to the ocean from October through March. When evapotranspiration from the

estuary above Jacksonville exceeds rainfall and fresh-water inflow into the estuary, the net loss of water tends to cause the volume and duration of the upstream flows to exceed those of the downstream flows. The net flow of the St. Johns River at Main Street Bridge in Jacksonville was downstream about 70 percent of the days of record and upstream about 30 percent of the days of record. Zero net flow occurred on 13 of the 4,597 days of record, or 0.3 percent of the time. The greatest number of consecutive days that the net flow was zero or upstream was 14 days. Sea water moving upstream from the mouth of the St. Johns River mixes with the fresher water already in the river channel to form a zone of transition. The chloride concentration in this zone varies from that of sea water to that of the fresh-water input. When the zone of Jacksonville increases with upstream flow and decreases with downstream flow. During a particular tidal cycle, the magnitude and range in chloride concentration in the river at Jacksonville depends on the length and gradient of the zone of transition and on the volume of the tidal flows. About 80 percent of the time the chloride concentration at Main Street Bridge exceeds 250 milligrams per liter. Between Jacksonville and the ocean the river shows stratification between the sea water and overlying river water. However, stratification tends to weaken or disappear in the vicinity of Jacksonville, probably because of increased turbulence caused by channel constriction and bridge piers. The temperature of the river averages less than 15 degrees C (Celsius) (59 degree F) in January and February and more than 28 degree C (82 degree F) in summer.

Possible Purification of Waste Slurries and Waste Waters During Barium Salt Production

Andreeva, K.; Dimitrova, L.; Mishev, M.; Krusteva, D.; Trayanova, M.; Beloteleva, M.; USSR

God. Nauchnoizsled. Inst. Khim. Prom. (GNKIPAG), 11, 249-256; 1973

BARIUM; SALTS; WASTE PURIFICATION; WASTE WATER

Methylmercury in Estuarine Sediments

Andren, A.W.; Harriss, R.C.

Nature 246, 256-257; 1973

METHYLMERCURY; MERCURY; SEDIMENTS; ESTUARIES; FISHERIES; INDUSTRIAL EFFLUENTS

Surface sediments were collected from the Mississippi Delta, Mobile Bay, and the Florida Everglades and analyzed for total mercury, methylated mercury and total organic content. The methyl mercury concentration varied from less than 0.02 ng g⁻¹ to 0.19 ng g⁻¹, the high value being in the estuarine sediments from Mobile Bay, which had previously received sufficient quantities of anthropogenic mercury effluents to require a ban on commercial fisheries. The methylmercury content never represents more than 0.07% of the total mercury present; the average is 0.03%.

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Partition Coefficients for Fe, Mn, Pb, Ni, Zn, Cu Between River Water and Suspended Load, and Mineralogical Composition of Suspended Load of Selected Kansas River Systems: Project Completion Rept. July 69-Dec 70

Andino, E.E.; Magnuson, L.M.; Waugh, T.C.; Evans, T.; Kansas Water Resources Research Inst., Manhattan

Report No. Contrib-80; Contract DI-14-31-3016; Monitoring Agency Rept No. W72-06285, OWR-030-KAN(1); Proj. OWR-030-KAN; PB 20776, 126 p.; 1972, January

PARTITION COEFFICIENTS; WATER ANALYSIS; WATER CHEMISTRY; ADSORPTION; METALS; CLAYS; MINERALS; MONTMORILLONITE; PARTITION MATHEMATICS; GEOCHEMISTRY; RIVERS; IRON; MANGANESE; NICKEL; LEAD; COPPER; ZINC; WATER; TRACE ELEMENTS; SUSPENDED SEDIMENTS; LIMNOLOGY; LEAD; SEDIMENTS

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Mercury in Lake Sediments. Possible Indicator of Technological Growth

Aston, S.P.; Bruty, D.; Chester, P.; Padgham, R.C.; Appl. Geochem. Res. Group, Imp. Coll., London, England

Nature (London) (NATURAS) 241(5390) 450-1; 1973

MERCURY; LAKES; SEDIMENTS; INDUSTRY; GEOLOGY

Lake sediments, which geologically have a relatively rapid rate of deposition, might produce evidence of man's input of mercury to the environment. A 1-meter undisturbed sediment core from the South Basin, Lake Windermere, England, was obtained and analysed. The vertical distribution of Hg could result from an increasing supply of Hg over the past half millennium, probably due to an enhanced release of Hg by man's activities. These include: denudation of land surfaces; heavy industry, mining and quarrying; burning of fossil fuels; and sewage disposal. Much of the Hg thus released initially enters the atmosphere, although some is introduced directly into natural waters. The authors suggest that the Hg contents of the core reflect, at least in part, this input by man. The deep sediments have an average Hg content of 122 ppb which probably represents the local "background". Since approximately 1400 AD there has been a stepwise increase in Hg contents of the sediments which may correlate with man's activities, for example the change in the core may reflect the onset of the Industrial Revolution. It is likely that the introduction of sewage in recent years will have resulted in an increased supply of Hg in the lake. The combination of various factors comprising technological growth has, therefore, resulted in a progressive increase of Hg in the sediments of Lake Windermere.

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Concentration Effects on Cesium-137, Zinc-65, Cobalt-60, and Ruthenium-106 Sorption by Marine Sediments, with Geochemical Implications

Aston, S.R.; Duursma, E.K.; Int. Lab. Mar. Radioact., IAEA, Monaco

Neth. J. Sea Res. (NJSRBA), 6(1-2), 225-240; 1973

FALLOUT; SEDIMENTS; CESIUM 137; ZINC 65; COBALT 60; RUTHENIUM 106; SALTWATER; GEOCHEMISTRY

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General Study of Chemical Pollutants Thrown into Sea Water: Inventory and Toxicity Studies: I. Methodology: II. Mediterranean

Aubert, M.J.; Gambarotta, J.P.; Donnier, B.; Barelli, M.; Daniel, S.; Aubert, J.; Inst. Nat. Sante Rech. Med., Nice, France

Rev. Int. Oceanogr. Med., 1(Suppl.), 1-72; 1969

CHEMICALS; SALT WATER; TOXICITY; METHODOLOGY; MARINE BIOLOGY

An inventory of chemical pollution of French coastal waters is presented in 4 volumes: the 1st is dedicated to general considerations and methodology, the others describe present pollution in the Mediterranean, Atlantic, Channel and North Sea regions. The results emphasize the need for classical analytic methodology, new techniques and "biological counters" adapted to this particular problem. Various types of chemical pollutants are surveyed, such as synthetic detergents petroleum products, pesticides and industrial waste. Some particular cases of widespread pollution are studied. The general experimental considerations developed lead, for the study of industrial waste, to the use of a standardized methodology which demonstrates the phenomena of intervening acute toxicity on the constituents of the marine environment. The possibility of transmitting these toxic effects to the final consumer in the biological chain is also studied. Techniques used to carry out these biological measurements are described in detail, as well as a method for interpreting the results thus obtained. The results are grouped according to zone: Mediterranean, Channel and Atlantic.

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Detrimental Effects of Toxic Charge by Heavy Metals or Phenol on Submerged Water Plants

Auerbach, S.; Pruefer, P.; Weise, G.; Sek. Wasserwes., Tech. Univ. Dresden, Dresden, E. Germany

Int. Gesamten Hydrobiol. (IGHYAZ), 58(1), 19-32; 1973

HEAVY METALS; SUBMERGED WATER PLANTS; PLANTS; AQUATIC PLANTS

TAXONOMY: FONTINALIS ANTIPYRETICA

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Distribution of Mercury in Sediments of the
Nooksack River Drainage

Rabcock, R.S.; Kolby, W.I.; Dep. Geol., West.
Washington State Coll., Bellingham, Wash.

Northwest Sci. (NOSCA), 47(3), 180-184; 1973

MERCURY; SEDIMENTS; RIVERS; DRAINAGE; DISTRIBUTION

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Total Mercury Content of Some Fishes of the Monte
Amiata Area Rivers

Bacci, R.; Ronzoni, A.; Ist. Anat. Comp., Univ.
Siena, Siena, Italy

Rass. Med. Sper. (RMSPAT), 20(1), 60-67; 1973

MERCURY; FISH; WATER; CINNABAR; MICROORGANISMS

TAXONOMY: LEUCISEUS CEPHALUS; BARBUS
MERIDIONALIS; RUTILUS RUBILIO

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Italy, Monte Amiata,
Siena, Viterbo

Values from 0.027 to 8.03 ppm were found for the mercury content in the white muscle of LEUCISEUS CEPHALUS, BARBUS MERIDIONALIS, and RUTILUS RUBILIO taken from 8 streams of the Monte Amiata Hg (cinnabar)-mining area between Siena and Viterbo, Italy. In general, B. MERIDIONALIS had higher Hg contents than the other 2 species, presumably because its bottom-feeding habits expose it to microorganisms which methylate and concentration Hg. The major part of the Hg present in the water and in the fish is attributed to waste products from the mines rather than to leaching and weathering of the Hg-bearing rocks.

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Removal of Copper from Waste Water with Ion
Exchange Resins

Raisero, G.B.; Callegaro, A.; Melotti, A.;
Montecatini Edison, Milan, Italy

Inquinamento (IQAAW), 15(5), 37-39; 1973

COPPER; RECOVERY; WASTE WATER; IONS; REMOVAL; ION
EXCHANGE

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Methylmercury Poisoning in Iraq: An
Interuniversity Report

Bakir, F.; Dawluji, L.; Amin-Zaki, L.; Murtadha,
M.; Khalidi, A.; Al-Rawi, N.Y.; Tikriti, S.;
Dhahir, H.I.; Clarkson, T.W.; Smith, J.C.;
Doherty, R.A.; University of Baghdad, Iraq;
University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.

Science 181, 230-241; 1973, July 20

METHYLMERCURY; HUMANS; TOXICITY; POISONING;
MERCURY; FUNGICIDES

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Contribution of Atmospheric Chloride in Water
from Selected Coastal Streams of Central
California

Baldwin, A.D.; Department of Geology, Miami
University, Oxford, OH 45056

Water Resources Research, 7(4), 1007; 1971, August

ATMOSPHERE; CHLORIDE; COASTAL WATERS; WATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., California, Santa
Cruz, Half Moon Bay

Chemical quality and discharge data were collected and analyzed from five streams draining watersheds between Half Moon Bay and Santa Cruz, California, to determine the contribution of atmospheric chloride to these coastal basins. Fifty-nine percent of the total chloride leaving the basins underlain by Tertiary sedimentary rocks per year is atmospheric in origin. Nineteen percent of this atmospheric chloride contribution is introduced dissolved in rainwater, whereas the remaining 40% is brought into the basins as fine particulate dust, in 'fog drip,' or as an aerosol.

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Applied Aquatic Studies

Balyock, B.G.; Allen, C.P.; Cosgrove, G.E.;
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M.A.; Jolley, R.L.; Nelson, D.J.; Scott, C.D.;
Pitt, W.W.; Trabalka, J.R.; Ulrikson, G.U.;
Shugart, H.H.

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ORNL-4848, 79-85; 1973

AQUATIC BIOLOGY; RADIONUCLIDES; SEDIMENTS;
TRITIUM; FISH; CYTOGENETICS; RADIATION EFFECTS;
CHANNEL CATFISH; NICHE; CHLORINATION; SEWAGE;
EFFLUENTS; BLUEGILLS

TAXONOMY: DROSOPHILA; ICTALURUS PUNCTATUS;
CHIRONOMUS TENTANS; LEPOMIS MACROCHIRUS

34 Ecology and the Concentration and Effect of Pollutants in Nearshore Marine Environments

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and Measurement of Environmental Pollutants,
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada; June 14, 15, 16, 17, 1971

SALTWATER; LAGOONS; ESTUARIES; DELTAS; SALT
MARSHES; COASTAL WATERS; BIOMASS; BACTERIA;
FORAMINIFERA; DIATOMS; MOLLUSCS; SEDIMENTS;
TEMPERATURE; PH; EH; OXYGEN; CARBON DIOXIDE;
SILICA; NITRATE; NITRITE; IRON; COPPER;
MAGNESIUM; PHOSPHATE; SODIUM

Several nearshore marine environments (lagoons, estuaries, deltas, salt marshes, beaches, and inner continental shelves) adjacent to the Atlantic Provinces have been monitored during the past 10 years. Monitoring has been conducted either continuously, diurnally, or on a seasonal basis. Biomass-watermass, biomass-substrate, and watermass-substrate characteristics have been analyzed. The previous history of these environments was investigated by coring. Biomonitoring, utilizing bacteria, foraminifera, diatoms, and molluscs, has indicated major trends in both species and assemblage associations, in specific environments. In addition, the following parameters were measured: 1) Sediment - distribution, total organic content, size, and heavy minerals content, 2) Salinity, 3) Temperature, 4) pH, 5) Eh, 6) Oxygen, 7) CO₂, 8) Silica, 9) Nitrate, 10) Nitrite, 11) Iron, 12) Copper, 13) Magnesium, 14) Phosphate, and 15) Sodium. These parameters have shown the quantitative relationships and the distribution and dilution of pollutants as a function of time and distance from point of injection into the watermass. All species investigated are patchily distributed, so that sampling methods play an important role in interpretation. Thus, infrequent sampling and widely-spaced stations only provide a partial environmental picture. Nearshore marine environments are eurybathic and contain extremely tolerant organisms. These living organisms provide the most sensitive and accurate means of monitoring, identifying, and controlling pollutants in nearshore marine environments. It was found that many species are experiencing difficulty establishing new populations or even surviving. Certain species have adapted to sewer effluent areas, while others have moved seaward or disappeared. These distinct environmental changes have occurred in the past 10 years with rapidly increased deterioration occurring from 1967 to the present.

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Effects of Zinc and Lanthanum on Calcium Uptake by Mitochondria and Fragmented Sarcoplasmic Reticulum of Frog Skeletal Muscle

Batra, S.; Dep. Pharmacol., Univ. Lund, Lund,
Sweden

J. Cell. Physiol. (JCLLX), 82(2), 245-256; 1973

ZINC; MUSCLES; CALCIUM; METABOLISM; LANTHANUM;
MITOCHONDRIA; SARCOPLASMIC RETICULUM; FROG

Zinc at 5-10 micro moles had no effect on

calcium uptake by mitochondria or fragmented sarcoplasmic reticulum (FSR) from frog skeletal muscle, but 25 micro moles Zn decreased Ca uptake by both fractions. Lanthanum at 5 micro moles lowered mitochondrial Ca uptake by 70%, but did not affect that by FSR; 10 and 25 micro moles La decreased FSR Ca uptake by 12 and 20%, respectively. La was unable to release Ca from previously loaded mitochondria, indicating that it interfered only with the Ca binding step. The effects of Zn and La on Ca uptake by the isolated fractions were discussed in relation to the role of Ca in the contractile response of skeletal muscle.

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Experimental Study of Zinc-65 Uptake and Elimination by Mytilus Galloprovincialis

Baudin, J.P.; Dep. Prot., C.E.N. Cadarache,
Saint-Paul-Lez-Durance., France

C.R. Acad. Sci., Ser. D(CHDDAT) 277(1) 113-116;
1973

ZINC 65; MUSSELS; FALLOUT; CLAMS; RADIOACTIVITY;
CONCENTRATION FACTOR; BIOLOGICAL HALF-LIFE

TAXONOMY: MYTILUS GALLOPROVINCIALIS

The clams were exposed to zinc 65 in water at 0.58 microcuries per liter. Uptake was rapid during the first 15 days, then slower for 15-40 days and then relatively constant for 40 days. The majority of the radioactivity lost by the water was taken up by the clams; a minor part was adsorbed on the walls. Concentration factors of 57 to 255 were observed for different parts and 79 for the whole clam. The distribution was similar to that of stable zinc, but much higher concentration factors were found for stable zinc. Two biological half lives for elimination were found (in zinc free water) viz 4 and 214 days.

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Adsorption of Amino Acids at the Mercury-Water Interphase. II. Glycylglycine

Baugh, L.M.; Parsons, R.; Sch. Chem., Univ.
Bristol, Bristol, England

Croat. Chem. Acta(CCACAA), 45(1), 127-135; 1973

GLYCYLGLYCINE; MERCURY; ADSORPTION; AMINO ACIDS;
WATER

The adsorption of Gly-Gly (I) from 0.1 M KPF₆ was studied by electrocapillary and capacitance measurements. I behaves as a typical organic adsorbate by preferentially adsorbing near the point of zero charge. Studies showed that the molecules of I are oriented with dipoles parallel to the interface at accessible charges. Explanation of the favored adsorption of I at Hg interface involves a model of orientation of neighboring solvent molecules into a 2 dimensional solvation shell.

38 Chemistry of Organomercurials in Aquatic Systems

Bauchman, G.L.; Gordon, J.A.; Wolfe, W.L.; Zepp, R.G.

EPA-660/3-73-012 Environmental Protection Agency, National Environmental Research Center, Corvallis, Oregon; Southeast Environmental Research Lab. Athens, GA; 1973

KINETICS; CHEMISTRY; PHOTOCHEMISTRY; DIMETHYLMERCURY; WATER CHLORIDE; PHENYLMERCURY; DMH; DPM; ORGANOMERCURIAL SALTS; MERCURY; METHYLMERCURY

Kinetics in water of some chemical and photochemical reactions postulated as key transformations in the environmental mercury cycle were investigated. Decomposition of dimethylmercury (DMH) and diphenylmercury (DPM) by acids and mercuric salts was shown to be pH dependent and too slow to be significant under most environmental conditions. Degradation of organomercuric salts by acid is even slower. Theoretical evidence indicates that loss of elemental mercury or DMH at the air-water interface can be important in turbulent systems. Dimethylmercury, methylmercuric chloride, methylmercuric hydroxide, and methylmercuric ion were not decomposed by sunlight, but phenylmercury and sulfur-bonded methylmercuric species were readily decomposed to inorganic mercury. Detailed equilibrium calculations indicate that the sulfur-bonded methylmercuric species are the predominant species in natural waters. Quantum yields for these reactions are presented along with a technique for calculating sunlight photolysis rates from laboratory data. The report also includes a review of the chemical literature concerning the kinetics of chemical and photochemical decomposition of organomercurials.

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Aquatic Bioenvironmental Studies in the Columbia River at Hanford 1945-1971; A Bibliography with Abstracts

Becker, C.D.; Battelle Pacific Northwest Laboratories, Richland, Washington 99352

BNWL-1734, UC-48; 1973, February

AQUATIC BIOLOGY; RIVERS; BIBLIOGRAPHY; POWER REACTORS

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Toxicity of Power Plant Chemicals to Aquatic Life

Becker, C.D.; Thatcher, T.O.; United States Atomic Energy Commission

Wash-1249, UC-11, Battelle Pacific Northwest Laboratories, Richland, Wash. 99352; 1973, June

AQUATIC BIOLOGY; CHEMICALS; POWER PLANTS; TOXICITY

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Present Levels of Mercury in Man Under Conditions of Occupational Exposure

Berlin, M.; International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna, 1972

Part of Mercury Contamination in Man and His Environment, A Joint Undertaking by the International Labor Organization, The Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations, the World Health Organization, and the International Atomic Energy Agency, Technical Report Series No 137, 181p.; 1972

MERCURY; HUMANS; OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURES; GUIDELINES; BLOOD; ATMOSPHERE; SYMPTOMS; POISONING; URINE; ALKYL MERCURY

The problems in connection with mercury analysis in biological material are not fully realized. According to available reports, it seems that a mercury concentration in blood exceeding 0.02 ppm after exposure to mercury vapour is connected with a certain risk of unspecific subjective symptoms in human beings. This value corresponds to about 0.02 µg/m³ of air. At blood levels exceeding 0.1 ppm (0.1 µg/m³ of air), signs of classical mercurialism can be expected. Blood concentrations exceeding 0.03 ppm of mercury can be regarded as signifying a definite exposure to mercury. The same conclusion should be drawn concerning concentrations of mercury in the urine exceeding 0.1 ppm. There is too little quantitative data on which to base conclusions regarding the lowest concentrations in blood and urine from poisoning due to phenylmercury compounds or inorganic mercuric salts, nor is the lowest concentration in the critical organ, the kidney, known at which the clinical signs of poisoning appear. However, there are data indicating that the mercury concentration in urine and blood can be higher without causing clinical signs than with exposure to mercury vapour. More precise data are available in connection with exposure to methylmercury compounds. Concentrations exceeding 0.1 ppm in whole blood are to be regarded as evidence of serious and dangerous exposure. This concentration in blood corresponds to a daily intake of 2 mg Hg/kg body weight per day or exposure to about 0.01 µg Hg/m³ of air for 8 hours a day. Women should not be occupationally exposed to alkylmercury compounds during their most fertile years.

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Mercury Content of the Edible Portion of Fish Products on the Belgian Food Market. Probable Mercury Consumption in Belgium from these Products

Bigwood, E.J.; Fouassin, A.; Noirfalise, A.; Fac. Med., Univ. Libre Bruxelles, Brussels, Belgium

Rev. Ferment. Ind. Aliment. (RFIAAQ), 28(1), 5-46; 1973

REVIEW; MERCURY; FISH; DIET; SEA FOOD; HUMANS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Belgium

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Effects of Cadmium and Copper on the Oxidation of Lactate by Rainbow Trout Gills

Bilinski, E.; Jonas, R.E.; Vancouver Lab., Fish. Res. Board Canada, Vancouver, B.C.

J. Fish. Res. Board Can. (JFRBAC), 30(10), 1553-1558; 1973

CADMIUM; LACTATE; METABOLISM; FISH; GILLS; COPPER; RAINBOW TROUT; FRESHWATER

TAXONOMY: SALMO GAIRDNERI

In fish surviving exposure to cadmium chloride (1.12 mg cadmium L.) for 24 hr to copper chloride (0.064 mg copper L.) for 48 hr, the oxidation of lactate by gills was inhibited by more than 50%. The exposure of trout to lower metal ion concentrations resulted in mortalities, but there was no detectable effect on the oxidative activity in gills.

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Kinetics of Microbially Mediated Methylation of Mercury in Aerobic and Anaerobic Aquatic Environments

Bisogni, J.J., Jr.; Lawrence, A.W.

The Office of Water Resources Research, U.S. Dept. of Interior, Wash., DC report A-038-WY, Agreement Numbers 14-31-001-3532 and 3832.

KINETICS; MICROORGANISMS; MERCURY; METHYLATION; REDOX POTENTIAL; SULFIDES

In this research the microbial transformation of inorganic mercury to organic mercury (monomethyl- and dimethyl-mercury) was studied. This transformation was studied with regard to the effects of the following: (1) redox potential, (2) inorganic mercury concentration, (3) temperature, (4) microbial activity, and (5) sulfide concentration. A kinetic model was proposed to describe the rate of methylation. The model included the following parameters: (1) a coefficient which indicated relative microbial activity, (2) a coefficient which indicated biochemical availability of the inorganic mercury, (3) a parameter whose value was determined by the system redox potential, and (4) inorganic mercury concentration.

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Transfer to Man, Through His Food, of the Radioisotopes of Ruthenium, Cobalt, and Zinc Discharged into Continental Waters

Bittel, R.; CEA, Fontenay-Aux-Roses, France

CEA, Fontenay-Aux-Roses, Franc (EUR-4800 (Vols. 1 and 2)), pp. 869-890. From International symposium on radioecology applied to the protection of man and his environment; Rome, Italy (7 Sept. 1971).; 1972, May

AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; COBALT; ECOSYSTEMS; RADIOISOTOPES; RUTHENIUM; SEAFOOD; TRANSPORT; ZINC; ISOTOPES; HUMANS; FOOD CHAINS

On the basis of certain assumptions, the dose delivered to man by the ingestion of food contaminated by radioactive pollution of water can be evaluated in any situation. The use of a type of standard calculation is described for aquatic food chains in order to establish the consequences for man of the contamination of continental waters by radioruthenium and metallic activation products, in particular, radioisotopes of cobalt and zinc. A study of examples based on the results of food surveys and of experiments performed mainly at Ispra and Mol indicates the doses reaching man in different cases and permits estimation of the incidence of variations of some of their parameters.

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Significance of Physicochemical Variables in Aquatic Bioassays of Heavy Metals

Black, J.A.; Roberts, R.F.; Johnson, D.W.; Minicucci, D.D.; Mancy, K.H.; Allen, H.E.; School of Public Health, Univ. Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Bioassay Tech. Environ. Chem. (26VZAG) 259-75; 1973

REVIEW; HEAVY METALS; AQUATIC BIOLOGY; BIOASSAY; PHYSICOCHEMISTRY

A review of temperature, dissolved oxygen, flow or constitution renewal ionic strength, water hardness and the equilibration of species of metal toxicants as physicochemical variables in aquatic bioassays of heavy metals with 29 refs.

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Polarographic Properties of Complexes of Alkali Metals in Aqueous Solutions

Dobrovski, A.; Zarembski, Y.

Zh. Anal. Khim., 27(8), 1472-1479; 1972, August

CESIUM; LITHIUM; POLAROGRAPHY; POTASSIUM; QUANTITATIVE CHEMICAL ANALYSIS; RUBIDIUM; SODIUM; AQUEOUS SOLUTIONS; WATER

48
Geochemical and Vegetation Studies of Trace Substances from Lead Smelting

Bolter, E.; Hemphill, D.D.; Wixson, B.; Butherus, D.; Chen, R.

Part of Hemphill, D.D. (Ed.), Sixth Annual Conference on Trace Substances in Environmental Health, Held at Memorial Union, University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO, June 13-14, 1972 (p. 79-86) 399p.; 1973

SOILS; PLANTS; LEAD; ZINC; COPPER; CADMIUM; MANGANESE; SULFUR; SMELTERS; LEAVES; GALENA; SPHALERITE; TREES; X-RAY; FLUORESCENCE ANALYSTS; ATOMIC ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY; DEPTH VARIATIONS; ROOTS; TRANSLOCATION; FOLIAR APPLICATION; GEOGRAPHIC VARIATIONS; HUMUS; ANALYSTS; ATMOSPHERE

Several hundred soil and vegetation samples from the "Viburnum Trend" or "New Lead Belt" of Southeast Missouri were analyzed for lead, zinc, copper, cadmium, manganese and total sulfur to determine natural background concentrations and to delineate areas of anomalous high concentrations caused by the mining and lead smelting activity. The area around one lead smelter showed anomalous high heavy metal concentrations for a distance of several miles. Other activities, such as the transport of ore concentrate in open trucks or by railroad, also act as sources of pollution. Elevated heavy metal concentrations in soils were found to be mainly restricted to the humus layer on the surface of the soil and to the top one inch soil layer. Most of the lead found in vegetation samples was thought to be present on the surface of the leaves. Findings should be of technical value for pollution abatement applications.

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Sorption-Desorption Reactions of Mercury with Suspended Matter in the Columbia River

Bothner, M.; Carpenter, R.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment. Vienna - International Atomic Energy Agency, 1973, from Symposium on the Interaction of Radioactive Contaminants with the Constituents of the Marine Environment, Seattle, Washington, USA, July 10-14, 1972, pp 73-87.; 1973

ADSORPTION; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; COASTAL WATERS; COLUMBIA RIVER; DESORPTION; DIFFUSION; FRESHWATER; MERCURY; PACIFIC OCEAN; PARTICLES; SALTWATER; SEDIMENTS; SILT; TRACE TECHNIQUES; DISSOLUTION

The influence of Columbia River suspended matter on the fate of dissolved mercury in the river and during the transition from the river to the oceanic environment has been investigated. The approach has been to spike natural Columbia River water with Hg 203-labelled mercuric nitrate and methyl mercury chloride under laboratory conditions and to follow the reactions of the

radioactive species with the suspended matter during exposure to river water and to seawater. The concentrations of natural mercury in Columbia River water, its suspended matter and bottom sediments were also determined. The partitioning of both natural and radioactive mercury species between the dissolved and suspended phases was very similar. Between 50 and 75% of the natural mercury and the added radioactive species was associated with the particulates. Both inorganic and methyl mercury are fairly rapidly taken up by the natural assemblage of Columbia River particulates. The desorption experiments show that at least half of each of these forms is fairly easily desorbed by filtered river water of lower total mercury content. Subsequent washes with seawater remove little additional mercury from the particulates during roughly one week contact time.

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Complex Formation Between Lead (II) and Citrate Ions in Alkaline Solution

Bottari, E.; Vicedomini, M.; Ist. Chim. Analitica, Univ. Roma, Roma, Italy

J. Inorg. Nucl. Chem. (JINCAO) 35(7) 2447-53; 1973

LEAD; CITRATE; COMPLEX FORMATION

The complex formation between lead (II) and citrate ions (L) in alkaline solution has been investigated by means of potentiometric measurements by employing a lead amalgam electrode at 25 C and in 2 M Na(ClO4).

51
Mercury Contamination of Marine Life in Peru

Bouroncle, C.A.; Echegaray, R.M.; Chang, S.Y.J.; Min. Salud Peru, Peru

Bol. of Sanit. Panamer. (BOSPAR) 74(4), 290-301; 1973

MERCURY; CONTAMINATION; MARINE BIOTA; FISH; SWORDFISH; ANCHOVETA; SALTWATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Peru

52
Kinetics and Mechanism of the Oxidative Chlorination of Acetylene. V. Kinetic Principles of Trans-1, 2-Dichloroethylene and Vinyl Chloride Synthesis in an Aqueous Solution of Copper(II) and Mercury(II) Chloride Complexes

Brailovskii, S.M.; Pruk, L.G.; Kostyushin, A.S.; Teskin, O.M.; Flid, R.M.; Mosk. Inst. Tonkol Khim. Tekhnol. Lomonosova, Moscow, USSR

Kinet. Katal. (KNTA), 14(5), 1222-1227; 1973

CHLORINATION; ACETYLENE; MERCURY; COPPER; CHLORIDE; VINYL CHLORIDE; SYNTHESIS

53 Methylated Forms of Arsenic in the Environment

Braman, R.S.; Foreback, C.C.

Science, 182, 1247-1249; 1973

ARSENIC; DIMETHYLARSINIC ACID; METHYLARSONIC ACID; NATURAL WATERS; BIRDS; EGGSHELLS; SEASHELLS; HUMANS; URINE

Environmental samples were analyzed for arsenate and arsenite ions and the methylarsonic acids in nanogram amounts. Dimethylarsinic acid and methylarsonic acid were found in natural waters, bird eggshells, seashells, and human urine. Dimethylarsinic acid is a major and ubiquitous form of arsenic in the environment. It is particularly involved in biological systems. Methylarsonic acid was found in smaller concentrations, comparatively, a probable consequence of its being an intermediate in the arsenic methylation sequence. The introduction of arsenic compounds into the environment, principally through pesticides, may result in a general increase in their concentrations in water and air because of the bacterial mobilization of all forms of arsenic.

54 Effect of Zinc on Growth and Development of Larvae of the Pacific Oyster, *Crassostrea Gigas*

Brereton, A.; Lord, R.; Thornton, I.; Webb, J.S.; Appl. Geochem. Res. Group, Imp. Coll. Sci. Technol., London, Engl.

Mar. Biol. (NATO), 19(2), 96-101; 1973

OYSTERS; ZINC; TOXICITY; GROWTH

TAXONOMY: CRASSOSTREA GIGAS

Exposure of *C. Gigas* larvae in the lab to 125-500 μ g inc./l., supplied as zinc sulfate, or as zn-rich mine water, for 5 days resulted in growth inhibition, morphol. and developmental abnormalities, and mortality. The severity of the effects increased with increasing zn concn. no effect was shown by 50 μ g zn/l.

55 A Select Bibliography on Pollution of Estuaries and Coastal Waters with Particular Regard to Industrial Effluents

Brinn, D.G.

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BIBLIOGRAPHY; ESTUARIES; COASTAL WATERS; INDUSTRY; EFFLUENTS

56 Determination of Molecular Hydrocyanic Acid in Water and Studies of the Chemistry and Toxicity to Fish of Metal-Cyanide Complexes

Broderius, S.J.; Oregon State Univ., Corvallis, OR

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HYDROCYANIC ACID; WATER; TOXICITY; FISH; COMPLEXES; CYANIDE

57 Agents for Combating and Hindering Growth of Algae and Microorganisms in Aquatic Systems

Brost, H.R.; Hentschel, C.; Wacker, H.; Bayer, A.G.

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BENZALKONIUM RESIN; ALGAE; INHIBITION; COPPER; BACTERIA; ALGICIDES; BACTERIACIDES

58 Frequency of Fish Tumors Found in a Polluted Watershed as Compared to Nonpolluted Canadian Waters

Brown, E.R.; Hazdra, J.J.; Keith, L.; Greenspan, I.; Kwapiński, J.B.G.; Beamer, P.; Departments of Microbiology (E.R.B.), Obstetrics and Gynecology (L.K.), and Pathology (P.B.), The Chicago Medical School/University of Health Sciences, Chicago, IL 60612; Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Illinois-Benedictine College, Lisle, IL 60532 (J.J.H.); and Department of Medical Microbiology, University of Manitoba, School of Medicine, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada (J.B.G.K.)

Cancer Research, 33(2), 189-198; 1973, February

FISH; TUMORS; WATER; CONTAMINATION; MERCURY; LEAD; ARSENIC; TOLUENE; BENZANTHRACENE; CRUDE OIL; CHLORINATED HYDROCARBONS; GASOLINE; PHOSPHATE; SULFATES; COLIFORM BACTERIA; TEMPERATURE; DISSOLVED OXYGEN; NUTRIENTS

Data are presented on the incidence of tumors found in 2121 fish examined from the Fox River watershed (8.38%) as compared to 4639 fish examined in Canada (1.03%). The water systems were compared as to pollution potentials, and the Fox River was found to be a highly polluted system. Among the pollutants found were mercury, lead, arsenic, toluene, crude oil, gasoline, benzantracene, chlorinated hydrocarbons, phosphates, sulfates, and coliform bacteria. Factors such as dissolved oxygen content, temperature, and nutritional variation were considered similar in both water systems. It is concluded that these pollutants were responsible for the greater frequency of tumors. No attempts were made to determine the effects of pollution on the long-term human users of the water or to determine the virus contents of the water system under study. Plans are now being made to study the water system under study. Plans are now being made to study the waters for fish viruses and, incidentally, those enteric viruses that one might expect in a river system that is termed "a floating sewer."

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Efficiency of Heavy Metals Removal in Municipal Sewage Treatment Plants

Brown, H.G.; Hensley, C.P.; McKinney, G.L.; Robinson, J.L.

Environ. Letters, 5(2), 103; 1973

SEWAGE TREATMENT; HEAVY METALS REMOVAL; SLUDGE; DIGESTION; FILTRATION; CERIUM; COPPER; LEAD; CHROMIUM; ZINC; HEAVY METALS

From January to July 1972, six municipal sewage treatment plants were routinely monitored for the efficiency of heavy metals removal. The municipalities served ranged from small agricultural communities to an industrialized city. Four basic plant types were studied: (1) primary with sludge digestion; (2) primary with sludge filtration; (3) trickling filter with sludge digestion; (4) activated sludge with sludge digestion; Ce, Cu, and Pb were more efficiently removed in secondary than in primary. Cr is reduced during aeration. Cu is strongly adsorbed by microbial floc. Pb is removed efficiently due to increased settling time and larger particle size in the secondary treatment. Zn is equally efficiently removed by all plant types. Increased suspended solids removal yields an exponentially increased metals removal.

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Acute and Long-Term Accumulation of Copper by the Brown Bullhead, *Ictalurus Nebulosus*

Brungs, W.A.; Leonard, R.W.; McKim, J.M.; Watl. Water Qual. Lab., U.S. Environ. Prot. Agency, Duluth, Minn.

J. Fish. Res. Board Can. (JFRBAC), 30(4), 583-6; 1973

COPPER; BIOACCUMULATION; BULLHEAD; FISH

TAXONOMY: ICTALURUS NEBULOSUS

Cu concns. in gill, opercle, liver, and kidney tissues of live brown bullhead (*I. nebulosus*) fish exposed to const. concns. of 6.5-422 µg/g copper sulfate/l. did not differ from those that died during the acute exposure. Exposure of the fish to sublethal concns. for 20 days before exposure to lethal concns. resulted in higher tissue Cu levels in the dead fish than in fish not previously exposed. There was a distinct increase in liver and gill tissue Cu concns. at exposure levels eq. 27 µg/g/l. Equil. tissue levels of Cu in the liver and gill were reached within 30 days. Cu levels in red blood cells and plasma after 20 months exposure did not differ from the controls.

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Trace Elements in Ancient Atlantic Deep-Sea Sediments

Brady, D.; Chester, R.; Aston, S.P.; Dep. Oceanogr., Univ. Liverp., Liverpool, England

Nature (London), Phys. Sci. (NPSCA6), 285(188), 73-74; 1973

TRACE ELEMENTS; SEDIMENTS; CLAYS; ZEOLITE

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Brown Seaweed as an Indicator of Heavy Metals in Estuaries in Southwest England

Bryan, G.W.; Hammerstone, L.G.; Plymouth Lab., Plymouth, England

J. Mar. Biol. Ass. U.K. (JMBAAK), 53(3), 705-720; 1973

METALS; SEaweeds; WATER; FUNGUS; ALGAE; ESTUARIES; BIOINDICATOR

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Contamination of Soil and Vegetation Near a Zinc Smelter by Zinc, Cadmium, Copper, and Lead

Buchauer, H.J.; Institute of Microbiology, Rutgers--The State University, New Brunswick, N.J. 08903

Environ. Sci. Technol., 7(2), 131-135; 1973

SOILS; VEGETATION; PLANTS; METALS; SMELTERS; ZINC; LEAD; COPPER; CADMIUM; OXYGEN; AEROSOLS; ATMOSPHERE

Metal oxide fumes escaping from two zinc smelters in Palmerton, Pa, have contaminated soil and vegetation with zinc, cadmium, copper and lead. Within 1 km of the smelters, 135,000 ppm zinc, 1750 ppm cadmium, 2000 ppm copper and 2000 ppm lead have been measured in the 02 horizon. Approximately 90% of metals deposited on the soil surface have been retained in the top 15 cm of the soil profile. Depauperate trees within 2 km of the smelters contained up to 4500 ppm zinc and 70 ppm cadmium by weight in washed, oven-dried foliage. Metal aerosols may enter the leaves directly, presumably through open stomata.

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Device for Demonstrating the Interaction of Metals with Water Vapor

Bulavin, Y.I.; Pedagog. Inst., Arzamas, USSR

Khim. Shk. (KHSNAT), (3) 69; 1973

METALS; WATER; INTERACTIONS

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Metal Dynamics in Municipal Stabilization Ponds
Bultman, D.A.; Craig, J.R.; McNabb, C.D.

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SEDIMENTS; AQUATIC VASCULAR PLANTS; STABILIZATION PONDS; BIOMASS; CHROMIUM; COPPER; IRON; MANGANESE; ZINC; CADMIUM; COBALT; NICKEL; ABSORPTION; SEDIMENTATION; AEROBIC PONDS; ALGAE; MACROPHYTES; ANAEROBIC PONDS; FACULTATIVE PONDS; HYDROPHYTES; EFFLUENTS; PERCOLATION; PLANTS; CONSTAT; DUCKWEED; MUNICIPAL WASTE TREATMENT; SEASONAL VARIATIONS; SINKS; WASTEWATER; CONCENTRATION; SINKS

Sediments and aquatic vascular plants are potential sinks for contaminating elements in stabilization ponds as they are operated in Michigan. The accumulation of several heavy metals in these sinks was studied during the growing season in an existing series of stabilization ponds. Using inflow and outflow data, an approximation of the accrual was made for each element in bottom sediments. Biomass estimates of the hydrophyte communities were used to determine the quantities of metals removable from a system by harvest of a season's crop. The ambient concentrations of chromium, copper, iron, manganese and zinc were reduced in the ponds through accumulation in these sinks. The ambient concentrations of cadmium, cobalt, and nickel were not reduced in the ponds. Estimates were made of the relative efficiencies of removal by plant absorption and by sedimentation in aerobic ponds during the growing season. Plant absorption was more efficient than sedimentation for chromium, copper, and zinc. Sedimentation and aquatic plants were equally inefficient for removal of cadmium, cobalt, and nickel. These moved through facultative and aerobic ponds without reduction.

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Effect of Some Trace Elements on the Development of the Alga *SCENEDESMUS QUADRICAUDA*

Rumhu, Y.V.; Mokryak, A.S.; USSR

Izv. Akad. Nauk Mold. SSR, Ser. Biol. Khim. Nauk (IMBKB6), (1), 82-83; 1973

LITHIUM; CADMIUM; NICKEL; BICARBONATE; ZINC; TRACE ELEMENTS; ALGAE; DEVELOPMENT

TAXONOMY: SCENEDESMUS QUADRICAUDA

Algae were grown in media containing Li, Ni, Cd, and Zn salts at 23-26, 2000-2500 lux. After 1 month pH of the medium, concentration of HCO₃⁻, and the amount of biomass were determined. Lithium (plus) in low concentration (0.01 mg/l.) stimulated algal growth while higher concentrations (0.1 mg/l.) reduced growth of the algae. Zn and Cd ions in concentrations of 0.05-0.5 mg/l. inhibited growth of the algae. Inhibition of growth was accompanied by a decrease of HCO₃⁻ concentration.

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Kinetics of Aquation of Chloro- and (Thiocyanato) Chromium (III) Complexes in Mixed Aqueous Solvents

Burgess, J.; Chem. Dep., Univ. Leicester, Leicester, Engl.

J. Chem. Soc., Dalton Trans. (JCDFB7), (8), 825-828; 1973

KINETICS; AQUATION; CHROMIUM; COMPLEXES; THIOCYANATO; CHLORINE

Rate constants are reported for spontaneous thermal aquation of the complexes (Cr(NH₃)₅Cl)²⁺, cis-(Cr(en)₂Cl₂)⁺ (en=ethylenediamine), trans-(Cr(OH₂)₄Cl₂)⁺, and (Cr(NCS)₆)³⁻ in a range of solvents, including methanol-, ethanol-, acetone-, dioxan-, and t-butyl alcohol-water binary mixtures. These results, and previously published results on similar chromium (III) complexes, are discussed in terms of the Grunwald-Winstein treatment of solvolyses in mixed aqueous solvents. Although this empirical approach can usefully be employed in discussing the aquation of chlorochromium(III) complexes, its extension to thiocyanatochromium (III) complexes does not seem profitable.

68
Distribution Patterns for Some Particulate and Dissolved Trace Metals within an Active Glacial Fjord

Burrell, D.C.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA July 10-14, 1972 (89-103) 786p.; 1973

DISTRIBUTION PATTERNS; TRACE METALS; PARTICULATES; GLACIAL FJORD; FLOCCULATION; ZINC; COPPER; LEAD; NICKEL; RUNOFF; SALTWATER; ESTUARIES

The distribution patterns of some trace metals between water and both suspended and deposited sediment has been studied in a non-iceberg fjord-estuary in S.E. Alaska. The hydrography of this type of fjord is such that, during the summer, glacial melt-water runoff enters the marine fjord initially as a concentrated sediment-plume on the surface. This sediment subsequently flocculates and settles through the subhalocline (essentially non-turbulent) portion of the marine column. The soluble zinc content of the glacial fresh water is slightly lower than that of the marine water (around 0.5 and 1.1 microgram per liter respectively), and the total fresh-water particulate zinc (around 65 mg/kg) is predominantly structural. In this environment there appears to be adsorption of zinc across the halocline, and copper, lead and nickel are covariant with iron and the suspended sediment load. The sediment deposition rates in this fjord-type are very high and the sediment texture, composition and chemistry is uniform through the surface metre or so. The organic carbon content is around 0.1% only. The interstitial water contents of both zinc and copper approximate those in the overlying water.

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Studies on Uptake of Methylmercury-203 by Bluegills (*Lepomis macrochirus*)

Burrows, W.D.; Krenkel, P.A.; Associated Water and Air Resources Engineers, Inc., Nashville, TN 37204/Environmental and Water Resources Engineering Program, Nashville, TN 37235

Env. Sci. Technol., 7(13), 1127-1130; 1973

TRACERS; HALF-TIME; BLUEGILLS; UPTAKE; METHYLMERCURY; RADIOISOTOPES; LIVER; KIDNEYS; MERCURY 203; MERCURY

TAXONOMY: *LEPOMIS MACROCHIRUS*

The uptake of methylmercury-203 directly from water by bluegills was found to be nearly constant after five days at about 20% per gram of fish per liter of water. Transferred to mercury-free water at 24 degrees C, bluegills exhibited a rapid loss of about 40% of the mercury, followed by a slow loss with a half-time of about five months. Mercury levels in the liver and kidneys were two to seven times higher than whole fish levels, but there was no discernible trend in this ratio with time. The proportion of mercury present as methylmercury in the whole fish remained at 73+/-10% throughout the course of the experiment. The proportion of methylmercury in the liver and kidneys, however, fell rapidly in the first few weeks after exposure, ultimately leveling off at about 10%. This suggests that biochemical demethylation is taking place in these organs.

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Continuous Culture of *Rhodotorula rubra*. Kinetics of Phosphate Arsenate Uptake, Inhibition, and Phosphate-Limited Growth

Button, D.K.; Dunker, S.S.; Morse, M.L.; Inst. Mar. Sci. Univ. Alaska, College, Alaska

J. Bacteriol. (JOURNAL) 113(2), 599-611; 1973

PHOSPHATE; TRANSPORT; KINETICS; ARSENATES; UPTAKE; GROWTH INHIBITION; CONTINUOUS CULTURE; PH

TAXONOMY: *RHODOTORULA RUBRA*

The pink yeast *RHODOTORULA RUBRA* of marine origin was found to be capable of extended growth at very low phosphate concentrations ($K_{0.5} = 10.8 \text{ nM}$). Average intracellular phosphate concentrations, based on isotope exchange techniques, were 15 to 200 μM , giving concentration gradients across the cell envelope of about 106. Sensitivity to metabolic inhibitors occurred at micromolar concentrations. Inability of the phosphate transport system, $K_{0.5} = 0.5$ to 2.8 nM , $V_{\text{max}} = 55 \text{ nMoles per g of cells per min}$, to discriminate against arsenate transport led to arsenate toxicity at 1 to 10 nM , whereas environmental arsenate levels are reportedly much higher. Phosphate competitively prevented arsenate toxicity. The K_i for phosphate inhibition of arsenate uptake was 0.7 to 1.2 nM . Phosphate uptake experiments showed that maximal growth rates could be achieved with approximately 4% of the total phosphate-arsenate transport system. Organisms adapted to a range both of concentration of NaCl and of pH. Maximal affinity for phosphate occurred at pH 8 and at low concentrations of NaCl; however, V_{max} for phosphate transport was little affected. Maximal specific growth rates on minimal media were consistent in batch culture but gradually increased to the much higher rates found with yeast extract media when the population was subjected to long-term continuous culture with gradually increasing dilution rates. Phosphate initial uptake rates that were in agreement with steady-state flux in continuous culture were obtained by using organisms and medium directly from continuous culture were obtained by using organisms and medium directly from continuous culture. This procedure resulted in rates about 500 times greater than one in which harvested batch-grown cells were used. Discrepancies between values found and those reported in the literature for other organisms were even larger. Growth could not be sustained below a threshold phosphate concentration of 3.5 nM . Such thresholds are explained in terms of a system where growth rate is set by intracellular nutrient concentrations. Threshold concentrations occur in response to nutrient sinks not related to growth, such as efflux and endogenous metabolism. Equations are presented for evaluation of growth rate-limiting substrate concentrations in the presence of background substrate and for evaluating low inhibitor concentration inhibition mechanisms by substrate prevention of inhibitor flux.

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Removal of Soluble Mercury Residues from Aqueous Process Streams

Cadmus, E.L.; Ventron Corp.

U.S. Patent (USXXIN) 3764528 (210/50; C 02PC), 2pp.; 1971, November

MERCURY; REMOVAL; WATER; RESIDUES; WASTE WATER

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The Effects of pH, Solubility and Temperature Upon the Acute Toxicity of Zinc to the Bluegill Sunfish (*Lepomis macrochirus* Raf.)

Cairns, J., Jr.; Bahns, T.K.; Burton, D.T.; Dickson, K.L.; Sparks, R.E.; Waller, W.T.

Kansas Academy of Science, 74(1), 81-92; 1972, January 7

FISH; TOXICITY; PH; SOLUBILITY; TEMPERATURE; ZINC; BIOASSAY; MORTALITY; TLH; LETHAL TOLERANCE MPDIAM

TAXONOMY: *LEPOMIS MACROCHIRUS*

Bluegill sunfish were exposed for 96 hours under static test conditions to water soluble zinc sulfate hydrate and water insoluble zinc phosphate hydrate at two temperature ranges (21-24 degrees C; 7-9 degrees C) and two pH ranges (5.7-7.0; 7.3-8.0). Control fish were maintained in water containing no zinc. No bluegills died in water containing insoluble zinc in amounts comparable to the amounts of soluble zinc (13.50, 18.00, 24.00, and 32.00 milligrams zinc 2 plus per liter) which produced mortalities of 90 to 100 percent. Bluegill mortalities in concentrations of soluble zinc ranging from 10 to 32 milligrams zinc 2 plus per liter were 0 to 10 percent at the high pH, while at the low pH mortalities were 100 percent. Bluegills at the low temperatures died at a much slower rate, and the time-to-death of the first fish was considerably delayed, in comparison to bluegills at the warmer temperature. Continuous flow bioassay tests in which two types of test containers were used showed differences in 96-hour TLM values. The particle replacement time in 190 liter bioassay jars was considerably longer than in 1.8-liter plexiglass containers; hence bluegills survived longer in the jars. Ninety-six-hour TLM concentrations for fish exposed to a continuous flow of zinc 2 plus in two types of test containers were estimated in four ways: using statistically pooled measured and calculated concentrations, and by pooling calculated and measured concentrations on the basis of the nominal concentrations alone. There were small differences in the resulting TLM values, a result which should be of interest to other workers using bioassays.

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Rapid Biological Monitoring System for Determining Aquatic Community Structure in Receiving Systems

Cairns, J., Jr.; Dickson, K.L.; Lanza, G.

Part of Biological Methods for the Assessment of Water Quality, ASTM STP 528, American Society for Testing and Materials, 1973, pp. 148-163

WATER; LASERS; HOLOGRAPHY; AQUATIC BIOLOGY; ENVIRONMENTAL SURVEYS; MONITORS; ANALYSIS; SPECIES DIVERSITY; SAPROBIC SYSTEM; COMPARISON INDEX; COMMUNITY STRUCTURE ANALYSIS

Biological monitoring plays an important role in a pollution monitoring program providing information not available through conventional

physical and chemical monitoring. The saprobic system and the use of structural and functional changes in aquatic communities are two approaches utilized in assessing the effects of pollutants on aquatic communities. The feedback of information from conventional instream biological monitoring has been too slow for the most effective management of an aquatic system. Two rapid biological monitoring systems (the SEQUENTIAL COMPARISON INDEX, and an automated community structure analysis using laser holography) have been developed to increase the speed of data collection and data analysis.

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The Development of an Automated Biological Monitoring System for Water Quality Management

Cairns, J., Jr.; Hall, J.W.; Morgan, E.L.; Sparks, R.E.; Waller, W.T.; Westlake, G.F.

Part of Hemphill, D.D. (Ed.), Seventh Annual Conference on Trace Substances in Environmental Health, Held at Memorial Union, University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO, June 12-14, 1973; 1973

RESPIRATION; FISH; BLUEGILLS; ZINC; BEHAVIOR; CHLORINE; WATER QUALITY; WATER; BIOLOGICAL MONITORING; MONITORING; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS

The time has come to go beyond merely responding to one environmental crisis after another and to manage all ecosystems on a regional basis. Proper management will insure that benefits are optimized and that each system serves a variety of uses. Management of aquatic ecosystems requires a clear understanding of the goals to be achieved, appropriate information and the means to achieve the goals. Control measures applied to aquatic ecosystems, in the absence of information on the condition of the system, are apt to be inappropriate and thus may overprotect the receiving system at times and underprotect it at other times since the ability of ecosystems to receive wastes is not constant. A major determinant of the effectiveness and efficiency of ecological quality control is the lag time in the feedback of information. If the lag is too great, the control measures may repeatedly overshoot or undershoot the desired goal. Present techniques for measuring the responses of aquatic organisms and communities require days or weeks, whereas information for ecosystem quality control and prevention of ecological crises should be generated in minutes or hours as is the case for other quality control systems. A biological monitoring system has been developed to generate information rapidly. The system measured changes in the movement and breathing of fish in order to provide an early warning of developing toxicity in the wastes of an industrial plant. The method of automation of data collection from this system and its development into an "on-line" system for monitoring water quality is described. The special statistical techniques necessary for analyzing this data is able to detect low concentration of zinc and other toxicants and that the responses are sufficiently rapid to make the system useful for water quality management.

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The Design of a Continuous Flow Biological Early Warning System for Industrial Use

Cairns, J., Jr.; Sparks, R.E.; Waller, W.T.

Presented at the 27th Purdue Industrial Waste Conference, May 2-4, 1972 at Purdue University - to be published in the Purdue University Engineering Bulletin, 21 p. plus table and figures; 1972

GOALS; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; FEEDBACK; LAG; CONTROL MEASURES; ECOLOGICAL MONITORING; MOVEMENT; BREATHING; FISH; EARLY WARNING; TOXICITY; INDUSTRIAL WASTES; RESPONSE TIME; POLYGRAPH; TOXICANT; BLOWOUTS; DIURNAL VARIATION; ZINC SULFATE; STRESS DETECTION

The time has come to go beyond merely responding to one environmental crisis after another and to manage all ecosystems on a regional basis. Proper management will insure that benefits are optimized and that each system serves a variety of uses. Management of aquatic ecosystems requires a clear understanding of the goals to be achieved, appropriate information and the means to achieve the goals. Control measures applied to aquatic ecosystems, in the absence of information on the condition of the system, are apt to be inappropriate and thus may overprotect the receiving system at times and underprotect it at other times since the ability of ecosystems to receive wastes is not constant. A major determinant of the effectiveness and efficiency of ecological quality control is the lag time in the feedback of information. If the lag is too great, the control measures may repeatedly overshoot or undershoot the desired goal. Present techniques for measuring the responses of aquatic organisms and communities require days or weeks, whereas information for ecosystem quality control and prevention of ecological crises should be generated in minutes or hours as is the case for other quality control systems. A biological monitoring system has been developed to generate information rapidly. The system measures changes in the movement and breathing of fish in order to provide an early warning of developing toxicity in the wastes of an industrial plant.

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Use of Fish as Sensors in Industrial Waste Lines to prevent Fish Kills

Cairns, J., Jr.; Sparks, R.E.; Waller, W.T.; Dep. Biol., Virginia Polytech. Inst., Blacksburg, VA

Hydrobiologia (NYDRB8) 1973, 41(2), 151-67; 1973

ZINC; TOXICITY; FISH; INDUSTRIAL WASTES; FISH KILLS

Paper suggests a method of detecting stress in fish used for monitoring. The breathing rate of fish exposed in test areas was detected by platinum electrodes in the water and connected to a computer which flashed a warning when the breathing rate sufficiently exceeded normal values for the time of day. The environment of the fish could then be changed so that they survived after giving the warning in this way. Fish movements might also be used. Various details are given to modify the criteria for fast or slow acting, reversible or irreversible poisons. In this way, the actual biological stress is measured.

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Relation Between Continuous Biological Monitoring and Water Quality Standards for Chronic Exposure

Cairns, J., Jr.; Sparks, R.E.; Waller, W.T.; Cent. Environ. Stud., Virginia Polytech. Inst., Blacksburg, VA

Bioassay Tech. Environ. Chem. 383-402; 1973

FISH; ZINC; WATER QUALITY STANDARDS; CHRONIC EXPOSURES; BIOLOGICAL MONITORING; WATER

Bluegill sunfish detected potentially lethal zinc (7340-66-6) concns. (8 mg/l.), and also sublethal concns. (2-3 mg/l.), in their environment rapidly enough to survive if the Zn was removed at the time of detection. Monitoring systems for fish movement patterns, using light beam interruption, and for fish breathing, using polygraphy recordings, were used to detect the stress responses of the fish to Zn exposure. A reproduction study showed, however, that 0.235 mg/l. (1/10 the lowest concn. used to monitor breathing) was not safe for chronic exposure. Both systems may be plausible for detecting acutely toxic conditions resulting from industrial or municipal spills. Both systems should be used in conjunction to prevent monitor failure due to the effects of excessive turbidity on movement monitors, and of excess electrolyte concn. on breathing monitors.

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Incorporation of Radiostrontium by Marine Organisms

Cancio, D.; Llauro, J.A.; Ciallolla, W.R.; Beninson, D.J.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-14, 1972 (347-357), 786 p.; 1973

STRONTIUM; CALCIUM; FISH; TRACERS; CRUSTACEA; COASTAL WATERS; MOLLUSCS; DISCRIMINATION FACTORS

TAXONOMY: MICROPOGON OPERCULARIS

Determination of the discrimination factors for strontium and calcium and of the corresponding strontium concentration factors are discussed. Results of laboratory experiments using double tracer techniques and of determinations based on systematic measurements of stable strontium and calcium are presented. The organisms studied are common along the Atlantic coastline of Argentina and consist of various species of fish, crustaceans, molluscs and marine algae. From the laboratory experiments it is concluded that, with the double tracer technique, it is possible to determine the discriminate against strontium; the discrimination factor values fluctuate between 0.10 and 0.92 depending on the species in question. In the cases of fish (MICROPOGON OPERCULARIS) and crustaceans (including exoskeleton) it was found that the Sr/Ca ratios were the same throughout the animal. In the case of the molluscs, different values were obtained for the shells and the soft parts. In general, discrimination factors obtained in the field on the basis of stable strontium and calcium determinations agree reasonably well with the values obtained in the laboratory for the fish and mollusc species in question, but are lower for the crustacean and algal species. Obtaining the concentration factors from discrimination parameters has the advantage of representing limiting situations where the equilibrium state is ensured. In this way, the experimental results can be extrapolated to natural conditions with less uncertainty. The resulting strontium concentration factors fluctuate between 2 and 10 for fish, 13 and 70 for crustaceans and molluscs, and 0.2 and 70 for algae.

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Mercury Pollution of Fish and Other Food Products

Canuti, A.; Lab. Chim. Prov., Cremona, Italy

Ind. Aliment. (Pinerolo, Italy) (INALBB), 12(9), 109-111; 1973

REVIEW; MERCURY; FOOD; FISH

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Study of the Role of *Scirpus Americanus* in Depolluting Waters Contaminated with Heavy Metals

Carbonneau, M.; Tremblay, J.-L.; Dept. Biol., Univ. Laval, Quebec 10E, Que., Can.)

Nat. Can. (Que) 99(5), 1972 (Recd. 1973) 523-532; 1972

MERCURY; LEAD; CADMIUM; HEAVY METALS; BIOACCUMULATION; PLANTS; WATER; DEPOLLUTING AGENTS

TAXONOMY: CYPERACEAE; SCIRPUS AMERICANUS;

ELEOCHARIS SMALLII; BIDENS CERNUA

The capacity for *S. AMERICANUS*, a Cyperaceae, to concentrate the heavy metals, mercury, lead and cadmium, from its environment was studied. This plant has the capacity to act as a natural depolluting agent. Two other plants which may do the same: *ELEOCHARIS SMALLII* Britt. and *BIDENS CERNUA* L. were also studied.

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Zinc-65 Specific Activities from Oregon and Washington Continental Shelf Sediments and Benthic Invertebrate Fauna

Carey, A.G., Jr.; Cutshall, W.E.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-14, 1972 (307-329) 786 p.; 1973

ZINC; ZINC 65; SPECIFIC ACTIVITY; SEDIMENTS; BENTHOS; INVERTEBRATES; COASTAL WATERS; POWER REACTORS; FAUNA

Relationships between the benthic fauna and sediments on the continental shelf of Oregon and Washington have been investigated by determining specific activities of zinc-65. Zinc-65, induced by neutron activation in Columbia River water used to cool plutonium production reactors at Richland, Washington, was carried down the river and into the marine environment. Sediment from the Columbia River moves northward. Zinc-65 specific activities in sediment and benthic invertebrates decrease northward with distance from the river and westward with depth have higher zinc-65 specific activities than the sediments in, or on which they live. Other sources of zinc-65 via the food web are suspected as the cause for the difference in specific activity between the sediment and benthic fauna. Long-term decline in zinc-65 specific activities have been noted. Many species from a range of trophic levels have been included in the study.

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Trace Metals in Sediments of New York Bight

Carmody, D.J.; Pearce, J.B.; Yasso, W.E.; Dep. Chem., Westchester Community Coll., Valhalla, NY

Mar. Pollut. Bull. (NPNBAZ), 4(9), 132-135; 1973

SEDIMENTS; WATER; TRACE METALS; COASTAL WATERS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., New York (Coast)

83

Mercury in the Greenland Ice Sheet: Further Data

Carr, P.A.; Wilkies, P.E.; U.S. Naval Research Laboratory, Washington, DC 20375

Science 181, 843; 1973

MERCURY; ICE SHEET; DISTRIBUTION

New data support the contention that the Mercury content of Greenland glacial ices has not increased dramatically in recent years but rather is distributed nonhomogeneously through the ice sheet.

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84 Mercury. Short-Term Storage of Natural Waters

Carr, R.A.; Wilkins, P.E.; Nav. Res. Lab.,
Washington, DC

Environ. Sci. Technol. (ESTHAG) 1973, 7(1), 62-3;
1973

MERCURY; WATER; STORAGE; LOSS; VAPORIZATION;

Analysis of natural waters for mercury requires an understanding of changes occurring during storage, such as losses to container walls, association with particulate phases, and vaporization. Use of carrier-free Hg-197 and improved flameless atomic absorption techniques show negligible losses to sample containers upon 8-day storage at pH 1. At the time of sampling, 80% of the total mercury was associated with particulates, while at the end of the storage period only 10-15% was associated with particulates. No vaporization losses were observed under these conditions.

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Toxicity Bioassay of Heavy Metals in Water Using *Tetrahymena pyriformis*

Carter, J.W.; Cameron, I.L.; Med. Sch., Univ.
Texas, San Antonio, TX

Water Res. (WATRAG) 7(7), 951-961; 1973

HEAVY METALS; PROTOZOA; TOXICITY; CADMIUM;
SULFATES; COBALT; ZINC

TAXONOMY: TETRAHYMENA PYRIFORMIS

On a weight basis, cadmium sulfate was most toxic to the ciliated protozoan *TETRAHYMENA PYRIFORMIS*, followed in decreasing order by mercuric chloride, cobalt sulfate, zinc sulfate, and lead nitrate. Pb(NO₃)₂ was 7-fold more toxic in soft water (20 mg CaCO₃/L.) than in hard water (500 mg CaCO₃/L.); an antagonistic calcium carbonate effect. HgCl₂ was 2-fold more toxic in hard than in soft water; a synergistic CaCO₃ effect. *T. PYRIFORMIS* may be a more sensitive indicator of heavy metal contamination in water than fish.

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Effect of Sodium Arsenite on Glucose-U-¹⁴C and Aspartate-U-¹⁴C Metabolism in *PHASEOLUS VULGARIS*

Cavallie, G.; Cent. Physiol. Veg., Univ.
Paul-Sabatier, Toulouse, FR

C.P. Acad. Sci., Ser. D(CHDDAT), 277(18) 1877-1880

SODIUM; SODIUM ARSENITE; GLUCOSE; CARBON 14;
ASPARTATE; METABOLISM

TAXONOMY: PHASEOLUS VULGARIS

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Cadmium Toxicity and Accumulation in Southern Maid

Cearley, J.R.; Coleman, R.L.; Department of
Environmental Health, University of Oklahoma
Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma City, Okla.
73190

Bulletin of Environmental Contamination and
Toxicology 9(2), 100-101; 1973

TOXICITY; MAIAD; CADMIUM; BIOACCUMULATION;
PHYSIOLOGY; RATE INHIBITION; AQUATIC PLANTS

Toxic reactions and cadmium accumulation in *MAJAS QUADRIPEPENSIS* Spreng. (a pondweed) increased as the exposure levels increased, which suggested that (a) cadmium accumulation, ca. 1000 fold, was direct function of the exposure level, and that (b) the detoxifying mechanism was overtaxed at a more rapid rate at the higher levels resulting in an earlier impairment of physiological function. This physiological impairment resulted in the inhibition of additional cadmium accumulation at the higher levels; significant additional accumulation and only slight toxic effects at the lower levels suggested that tissue damage was not sufficient to significantly inhibit further cadmium accumulation. Thus, it is evident that this common aquatic plant is capable of introducing potentially toxic quantities of cadmium into the food of higher organisms, e.g. sunfish and waterfowl.

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Conservation Problems in the Metal-Finishing Industry

Chalmers, R.R.; Bostock Hill and Rigby Ltd.,
Birmingham, England

Chem. Ind. (London) (CHINAG), (12), 554-557; 1973

REVIEW; METAL FINISHING; EFFLUENTS; WASTE WATER;
CONSERVATION

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Complexing Properties of Nitrilo Tri Acetic-Acid in the Lake Environment

Chau, Y.K.; Shionzi, M.T.

Water, Air, Soil Pollut., 7(2), 149-164; 1972

NITRILOTRIACETICACID; COPPER; NICKEL; CADMIUM;
MERCURY; CHLORIDES; LAKES

At concentrations above 1 ppm NTA can react with sparingly soluble compounds to release the metal and associated anions through complexation. It also interacts with sediment to release certain metals depending on the abundance of the metals in the sediment. In situ and laboratory experiments have been carried out to study such interactions and also to follow the fate of these released metals after NTA has degraded. Degradation of certain NTA-metal complexes in lake water medium has also been studied. It was found that certain NTA complexes (Cu, Ni, Cd, Hg) are very resistant to degradation.

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Effect of Chelating Agents on Chromium Absorption
in Rats

Chen, W.S.; Tsai, A.; Hyer, T.A.; Anim. Sci.
Dep., Washington State Univ., Pullman, Washington
J. Nutr. (JOMHAT), 103(8), 1182-1186; 1973

CHROMIUM; ABSORPTION; INTESTINES; CHELATION;
PHYTATE; OXALATE; EDTA; CITRATE

The effect of chelating agents on chromium absorption by rats was measured in vitro and in vivo. Four chelating agents: oxalate, phytate, citrate, and EDTA were used to determine their effect on chromium transport through the rat intestine in vitro. Oxalate significantly increased and phytate significantly decreased chromium transport through the rat intestine, while the other two chelating agents showed no significant effect. In an in vivo study oxalate and phytate had the same effects on trivalent chromium absorption in rats as that observed in vitro. The midsection of the rat intestine appears to be in the most diffusible segment for chromium, followed by the ileum and duodenum. Under in vitro conditions, ^{51}Cr is also more highly absorbed in the midsection than in either of the other two segments. Fasted rats absorb chromium at a significantly faster rate than nonfasted ones.

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Effect of Copper on the Heart Rate of
HYMNOHALARIA GLABRATA (Mollusca: Pulmonata)

Cheng, T.C.; Sullivan, J.P.; Inst. Pathobiol.,
Lehigh Univ., Bethlehem, PA

Comp. Gen. Pharmacol. 4(13), 34-8; 1973

SNAILS; COPPER; HEART RATE; MOLLUSCICIDES;
BIOASSAY

TAXONOMY: *HYMNOHALARIA GLABRATA*; MOLLUSCA
PULMONATA

Copper sulfate, which has long been used as a molluscicide, decreased the heart rate of *B. GLABRATA* when present in concentrations that produce the so-called distress syndrome. The effect was maximal at all concentrations above 1 ppm copper, but was proportional to concentration below this. The decreased heart rate could be due either to the toxic effect of Cu or the retraction of the snail into its shell under these conditions, but was probably a combination of both. Nevertheless, the sensitivity of the *B. GLABRATA* heart rate to Cu may be of some value in the bioassay of potential molluscicides.

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Cadmium, Chromium, Lead, and Mercury- Plenary
Account for Water Pollution. I. Occurrence,
Toxicity, and Detection

Cheremisinoff, P.; Habib, Y.

Water Sewage Works- 119(7), 73-74 78- 80-86; 1972

CADMIUM; CHROMIUM; LEAD; MERCURY; WATER; PUBLIC
WATER SUPPLIES; WASTES; EFFLUENTS; FISH; DRINKING
WATER; STANDARDS; SLICIDES; SYNERGISM;
CONCENTRATION; LETHAL LIMIT; TOXIGRAMS; TOXICITY;
GILLS; INTAKE; POISONING; ACUTE; METHYLMERCURY;
METHYLATION; ERAIN; SYMPTOMS; PREGNANCY; FETUS;
BIOLOGICAL HALF-LIFE; ATOMIC ABSORPTION
SPECTROPHOTOMETRY; COLORIMETRY; POLAROGRAPHY;
NEUTRON ACTIVATION ANALYSIS; PRECONCENTRATION;
ELECTROPLATING WASTES; COOLING TOWER BLOW DOWN
WATER; PIGMENTS; PAINTS; CHLOR-ALKALI PLANTS;
CORROSION INHIBITORS; TETRAETHYL LEAD; BATTERIES

Considerable interest in currently being shown in heavy metals concentration in the nation's surface waters, and particularly as they occur in water sources and waste effluents. (See Water & Sewage Works, pp 174-175, June 1971). In a U.S. Geological Survey Report mandatory maximum concentrations for public water supplies were determined from seven metals (mercury, arsenic, cadmium, lead, chromium, cobalt, zinc). According to the report, small amounts of these metals are widely distributed in streams and lakes throughout the United States. For four of these metals (cadmium, chromium, lead and mercury), four of the seven metals in the report are particularly significant because of widespread industrial use, possible frequent occurrence in waste stream effluents and their toxicity. A plenary account of these four metals, cadmium, chromium, lead and mercury, in respect to water pollution follows. The discussion includes information on I-Nature, sources and use, II-Toxicity and toxic effects, III-Analytic methods for detection and IV-Removal techniques.

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Mercury in Some Surface Waters of the World Ocean

Chester, R.; Gardner, D.; Riley, J.P.; Stoner, J.;
Dep. Oceanogr., Univ. Liverpool, Liverpool,
England

Mar. Pollut. Bull. (MPMBZ), 4(2), 28-29; 1973

MERCURY; SALTWATER; SURFACE WATERS

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Mercury Pollution of Basse-Seine (From Recy to
Jancerville)

Chesterikoff, A.; Carru, A.M.; Garban, B.;
Ollivon, D.; Chesterikoff, C.; Lab. Chim. Anal.,
Inst. Hydrol. Climatol., Paris, FR

Trib. Cebadeau (Cent. Belge Etude Doc. Eaux
Air) (TCEDBA), 26(355-356), 269-276; 1973

MERCURY; WATER; RIVERS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: France, Basse-Seine
Rivers

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Kinetic Studies of the Formation, Acid-Catalyzed Solvolysis, and Cupric Ion Displacement of a Zinc Porphyrin in Aqueous Solutions

Cheung, S.K.; Dixon, F.L.; Fleischer, E.B.; Jettler, D.Y.; Krishnamurthy, M.; Chem. Dep., Univ. California, Irvine, CA

Bioinorg. Chem. (BICHX), 2(4), 281-94; 1973

ZINC; CHELATION; SOLUBLE; PORPHYRIN; COPPER; KINETICS; IONS

The rates of Zn (2 plus) incorporation Zn (2 plus) demetallation, and Cu (2 plus) displacement of Zn (2 plus) in a H₂O-sol. porphyrin were investigated. A tetra-sulfonated tetraphenylporphine TPPS was employed in the studies. The rate of Zn (2 plus) incorporation was equal to k_1 (Zn(2 plus) (TPPS) where $k_1 = 4.76 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$ at 30 degrees; the rate of Zn-TPPS demetallation is equal to k_d (Zn-TPPS) $-(H \text{ plus})^2$ where $k_d = 10.9 \text{ E-2 sec}^{-1}$ at 30 degrees C; the rate of Cu (2 plus) replacement in Zn-TPPS is equal to k_{Cu} (Zn-TPPS) (Cu(2 plus)) where $k_{Cu} = 5.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$ at 30 degrees. These rate laws are discussed in terms of the possible mechanisms for the reactions studied.

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Mercury Content of Oregon Groundfish

Childs, E.A.; Gaffke, J.W.; Dep. Food Sci. Technol., Oregon State Univ., Astoria, OR

NOAA Fish. Bull. (FSYBAY), 71(3), 713-717; 1973

FISH; MERCURY; GROUNDFISH

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., Oregon (Coast)

97
Exposure of Dogfish Shark Fetus to Mercury

Childs, E.A.; Gaffke, J.W.; Crawford, D.L.; Seafoods Laboratory, Department of Food Science and Technology, Oregon State University, Astoria, Ore. 97103

Bull. Env. Contam. Tox. 9(5), 276-280; 1973

DOG FISH SHARK; FETUS; MATERNAL LOAD; MERCURY; BIOACCUMULATION; FISH

TAXONOMY: SQUALUS SUCKLEYI

The relationship of maternal mercury load to fetal mercury was examined in the Pacific spiny dogfish shark (SQUALUS SUCKLEYI) which accumulates mercury IN SITU to concentrations of 0.3-1.2 ppm. The level of mercury in the fetus was significantly lower than in the mother. Maternal muscle samples had a mean mercury content of 0.66 ppm with a range of 0.332-0.999 ppm. Mercury concentrations in the uterine wall were consistently 10% the concentrations in muscle. There was no apparent relationship between the concentration of mercury in the maternal tissue. No fetal sample taken from undamaged uteri contained greater than 0.058 ppm mercury, and no follicle greater than 0.119 ppm mercury. The mean of all follicle samples was 0.048 ppm mercury, and of all fetal samples,

0.024 ppm mercury. These data clearly demonstrate that mercury is not concentrated in S. SUCKLEYI fetus IN SITU. The great difference in mercury content of maternal and fetal samples suggests that mercury may be excluded from the fetus.

98
Lead Pollution: Records in California Coastal Sediments

Chow, T.H.; Bruland, K.W.; Bertine, K.; Soutar, A.; Koids, H.; Goldberg, E.D.

Science, 181 (4099), 551-552; 1973, August 10

LEAD; WATER; SEDIMENTS; AUTOMOBILE; EMISSIONS; MASS SPECTROMETRY; ATOMIC ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY; ISOTOPIC ABUNDANCE; HISTORICAL TRENDS; SEWAGE; INDUSTRIAL WASTES; DUST FALL; ADSORPTION; GEOGRAPHIC VARIATIONS

The present anthropogenic lead fluxes into sediments from the Santa Monica, San Pedro, and Santa Barbara basins of Southern California are, respectively, 0.9, 1.7, and 2.1 micrograms of lead per square centimeter of sea bottom per year; the natural (prepollution) rates for these three basins were, respectively, 0.24, 0.26, and 1.0 microgram of lead per square centimeter per year. Studies of isotopic composition indicate that lead pollutants in coastal sediments are derived mainly from the combustion of lead additives in gasoline.

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Chow, T.J.; Scripps Institution of Oceanography, La Jolla, Calif.

Chemistry in Britain 9(6), 258-263; 1973

LEAD; DISTRIBUTION; ATMOSPHERE; FLORA; FAUNA; PLANTS; ANIMALS; OCEANS; WATER

A review of the distribution of lead in the earth, sea, air, flora, and fauna around the world with special emphasis on the U.S. and U.K.

100
Water and Water Pollution Handbook. Volume 4

Ciacchio, L.L. (Ed.)

New York; Marcel Dekker, Inc.; 681 p.; 1973

AUTOMATION; CHEMICAL ANALYSIS; GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY; INFRARED SPECTRA; HANDBOOK; LUMINESCENCE; QUANTITATIVE CHEMICAL ANALYSIS; WATER

101
Environmental Dynamics of Mercury (Discussion)

Clarkson, T.W.; Coble, A.J.; D'Itri, F.M.; Gage, J.C.; Goldwater, L.; Hartung, R.; Hinman, A.; Jernelov, A.; Jervis, R.E.

Part of Hartung, R. (ed.), Environmental Mercury Contamination, International Conference, 1970, Ann Arbor Science Publishing, Inc. Ann Arbor, Michigan (p. 198-201); 1972

REVIEW; MERCURY; METHYLATION; WATER; AQUATIC ENVIRONMENTS

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Mercury Concentrations in Fish, Plankton and Water from 3 Western Atlantic Estuaries

Cocorda, G.; Cahn, P.H.; Univ. Dept. Marine Sci., Greenvale, NY

J. Fish. Biol., 5(6), 641-647; 1973

MERCURY; CLUPEID; ESTUARIES; PLANKTON; FOOD CHAINS; ZOOPLANKTON; FISH

TAXONOMY: *SPYROSTIA TYRANNUS*

Total mercury concentrations were determined in the clupeid, *SPYROSTIA TYRANNUS*, from three estuaries of the Western Atlantic, and in the plankton on which they feed, as well as in the water sampled from the same localities. Although there was some indication that the food chain is a likely source of mercury contamination in these fish, as seen by the very much higher levels found in viscera compared with the rest of the fish, there was no evidence of strong food chain intensification. Fish mercury levels (0.3 to 0.5 part/10⁶ dry wt) were about twice that for plankton (0.1-0.2 part/10⁶ dry wt), with higher levels in phyto- than in zooplankton.

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Trace Elements in Bottom Sediments from Upper Peoria Lake, Middle Illinois River

Collinson, C.; Ship, Weil F.

Environmental Geology Notes, Sept., 1972, No. 56

TRACE ELEMENTS; SEDIMENTS; LAKES; X-RAY FLUORESCENCE; NEUTRON ACTIVATION ANALYSIS; OPTICAL EMISSION; ATOMIC ABSORPTION; RADIOCHEMISTRY; CHEMISTRY; SILICON; ALUMINUM; IRON; MAGNESIUM; CALCIUM; POTASSIUM; CARBON; TITANIUM; MANGANESE; SODIUM; PHOSPHORUS; SULFUR; LEAD; ZINC; CADMIUM; COPPER; NICKEL; BORON; CHROMIUM; BERYLLIUM; VANADIUM; COBALT; MERCURY; ARSENIC; BROMINE; LANTHANUM; SCANDIUM

A preliminary study of the chemical composition of bottom sediments from Upper Peoria Lake was made on samples taken from eight sites in the lake which is an impoundment of the Illinois River near Peoria. The samples were subjected to analysis by X-ray fluorescence, neutron activation, optical emission, atomic absorption, radiochemical preparation techniques, and wet chemical methods. Major constituents determined were silicon, aluminum, iron, magnesium, calcium, potassium, inorganic carbon, and organic carbon. Titanium, manganese, sodium, phosphorus, and sulfur were found in smaller amounts. Trace elements measured were lead, zinc, cadmium, copper, nickel, boron, chromium, beryllium, vanadium, cobalt, mercury, arsenic, bromine, lanthanum, and scandium. Sieve and pipette analyses revealed that the sediments are sandy and clayey silts. X-ray diffraction indicated an illite-kaolinite-chlorite mixed-lattice clay fraction. The results showed that Upper Peoria Lake bottom sediments contain more lead, zinc, and chromium than previously studied surficial sediments from southern Lake Michigan, but that they have lower levels of arsenic and bromine. Concentrations are directly related to organic carbon content and, to some extent, to the less than 2-micron clay fraction. Both organic carbon and clay fractions increase southward in Upper Lake Peoria and are larger in the navigation channel than in the shallows. Turbidity appears to have an inverse relation to trace element concentration.

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Molybdenum Toxicity: Abnormal Cell Division of Teratogenic Appearance in *EUGLENA GRACILIS*

Colmano, G.; Department of Veterinary Science, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, VA 24061

Bull. Contam., Bull. Environ. Contam. Tox. 9(6), 361-364; 1973

CELL DIVISION; MITOSIS; TERATOGENESIS; ANOMALIES; MOLYBDENUM; KARYOKINESIS; NEOPLASIA

TAXONOMY: *EUGLENA GRACILIS*

Euglena cells were grown axenically in continuous light at 24-26 degrees C. Normal molybdenum concentration of the growth medium was found to be 108 ppm. An increase in Mo concentration of 96, 480, and 960 ppm was shown to produce abnormal cell division and aberrant cell types. Molybdenum may be considered toxic and may be an inhibitor of cellular fission with resultant nuclear and chromosomal polyploidy and abnormal mitoses. It is hypothesized that a similar toxicity of molybdenum may activate the uncontrolled growth patterns observed in some neoplastic growths.

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Trace Element Distribution in Water, Sediment, Phytoplankton, Zooplankton and Benthos of Lake Michigan: A Baseline Study With Calculations of Concentration Factors and Buildup of Radioisotopes in the Food Web

Copeland, R.A.; Ayers, J.C.; Environmental Research Group, Inc., University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, 2710p.

ERG Special Report No. 1; 1972, May

TRACE ELEMENTS; WATER; PHYTOPLANKTON; ZOOPLANKTON; BENTHOS; LAKES; CONCENTRATION FACTOR; BIOACCUMULATION; FOOD WEBS; CHROMIUM; ZINC; SEDIMENTS; RADIOISOTOPES; INVERTEBRATES

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (M), Great Lakes, Lake Michigan

Environmental Research Group, Inc. has conducted an environmental study on samples of phytoplankton, zooplankton, benthos, water and sediment collected from Lake Michigan by the Great Lakes Research Division of the University of Michigan. These samples, collected in 1969-70 prior to the operation of all nuclear plants except Big Rock Point, were analyzed for major and trace elements by ERG. The results of these analyses indicate Lake Michigan is typical of other world environments in its chemical make-up although certain elements (selenium in zooplankton and chromium and zinc in water) show significant variation in distribution within the area surveyed. Many of the biological samples were found to have become contaminated with sediment during the collecting process. ERG created a method, using scandium concentrations, by which this contamination could be corrected for after the analyses were made. Biological investigation of the data indicate that conditions in the southern basin of Lake Michigan are rapidly changing. Major changes in the species make-up of the phytoplankton are being discovered and further changes are expected in the near future. Calculations of concentration factors were made for the biota with respect to both water and sediment. It was found that concentration factors calculated with respect to water were most representative. One of the most important findings was that there is no stepwise increase in concentration factors as one analyses higher and higher members of the food web. This is not surprising since all of the organisms are equilibrating with the same system (Lake Michigan water). Using design data supplied by the utilities and proposed government regulations, ERG calculated the concentrations of radioactivity that could be expected in the invertebrates of Lake Michigan under the proposed title 10 C.F.R. Part 50 Appendix I operating conditions. These calculations indicate that for the invertebrates no radioisotope will exceed 8% of the upper limiting concentration normally applied to fish.

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Trace Element Distributions in Lake Michigan Fish: A Baseline Study with Calculations of Concentration Factors and Equilibrium Radioisotope Distributions

Copeland, R.A.; Beeth, R.H.; Prater, W.W.

Ann Arbor, MI; Environmental Research Group, Inc., Ann Arbor, Michigan PP. 143; (1973); 1973

ACTIVATION ANALYSIS; BARIUM 140; CERIUM 144; CESIUM 134; CESIUM 136; CESIUM 137; CHROMIUM 51; COBALT 58; ELEMENTS; FISH; IODINE 131; IRON 59; ISOMERIC NUCLEI; MANGANESE 54; NEUTRONS; RADIOACTIVE WASTE DISPOSAL; RADIOECOLOGICAL CONCENTRATION; RADIONUCLIDES; KINETICS; SILVER 110; STRONTIUM 89; STRONTIUM 90; TELLURIUM 129; YTTRIUM 91; ZINC 65; ZIRCONIUM 95

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Cadmium in the Environment, An Annotated Bibliography

Copenhagen, E.D.; Ulrikson, G.U.; Newman, L.T.; Fulkerson, W.; Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tenn.

ORNL-EIS-73-17; 1973, April

CADMIUM; BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Arsenic in the Environment, an Annotated Bibliography

Copenhagen, E.D.; Ulrikson, G.U.; Newman, L.T.; Van Hook, R.L., Jr.; Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tenn. 37830

ORNL-EIS-73-16; 1973, July

ARSENIC; BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Production of Trimethylarsine Gas from Various Arsenic Compounds by Three Sewage Fungi

Cox, D.P.; Alexander, M.; Laboratory of Soil Microbiology, Department of Agronomy, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14850

Bull. Environ. Contam. Tox. 9(2) 84-88; 1973

TRIMETHYLARSINE; ARSENIC; SEWAGE; FUNGI; INDUSTRIAL SEWAGE; AGRICULTURAL RUNOFF; MICROORGANISMS; METABOLIC CONVERSION; SODIUM ARSENATE; SODIUM ARSENITE; MONOMETHYLARSONIC ACID; PH; SOILS; TMA; MMA;

TAXONOMY: PENICILLIUM SP; CANDIDA HUMICOLA; GLIOCLADIUM ROSEUM; SCOPULARIOPSIS BREVICAULTS; TRICHOPHYTON SP; METHANOBACTERIUM

A potential source of toxic gases is posed by the release of arsenic compounds in industrial and agricultural wastes into the environment, assuming that microorganisms capable of this metabolic conversion(s) are widespread. Microorganisms commonly present in sewage and soil were tested as to their capacity in the formation of trimethylarsine when cultured in the presence of sodium arsenate, sodium arsenite, monomethylarsonic acid (MMA) and dimethylarsinic acid (DMA). CANDIDA HUMICOLA (Dazovka) is able to produce TMA from all sources tested when growing at pH 5. GLIOCLADIUM ROSEUM Bain produced TMA in the presence of MMA and DMA, but not in the presence of sodium arsenate or sodium arsenite; a PENICILLIUM produced TMA under similar conditions.

110
Lead-210-Radium-226. Radioactive Disequilibrium
in the Deep Sea

Craig, H.; Krishnaswami, S.; Somayajulu, R.L.;
Scripps Inst. Oceanogr., Univ. California, San
Diego, Calif.

Earth Planet. Sci. Lett. (EPSLA2), 17(2),
295-305; 1973

LEAD 210; SALTWATER; RADIUM 226; RADIOACTIVITY

Pb 210 and Ra 226 profiles have been measured in
the North Atlantic and North Pacific Deep Water.
The Pb 210 activity is 25% to 80% of that of Ra
226, averages about 50% in each profile, and is
lowest in the bottom water. This deficiency of
Pb 210 relative to Ra 226 shows that Pb 210 is
rapidly and continually scavenged from deep
water, probably by adsorption on particulate
material sinking from the surface. A method is
developed for simultaneous application of the
vertical diffusion-advection model to Ra 226 and
Pb 210 deep-water profiles, and the in-situ
source terms for both isotopes are obtained as a
function of the parametric upwelling velocity.
For a positive source term for Ra 226 in deep
water, the parametric velocity is limited to a
small range (3-12 m/y) and the Deep-Pacific
residence time of lead is 50 yr, a value two
orders of magnitude smaller than residence times
estimated from stable lead concentrations. The
model calculations show that an in-situ
scavenging process, acting throughout the water
column, is required to remove the Pb. Box model
calculations yield a similar short residence time
for lead in North Atlantic Deep Water, indicating
that radioactive disequilibrium for Pb 210, due
to fast scavenging, is a general phenomenon
through the deep sea.

111
Mercury Pathways in a River and Estuary

Cranston, R.E.; Buckley, D.E.

Environmental Science and Technology, 6(3),
275-280; 1972, March

MERCURY; WATER; SUSPENDED PARTICULATES;
SPRINKLES; RIVERS; ESTUARIES; DILUTION;
ADSORPTION; INDUSTRY; EFFLUENTS; TRANSPORT;
FORMULATION; CHEMISTRY; MOBILITY; BIOLOGICAL
UPTAKE; AMALGAMATION; SILVER; GOLD; PLUTONIUM;
IRON; MANGANESE; COPPER; CHLORINE; BLEACHES;
FLOCCULATION; DEPOSITION; METHYL MERCURY;
FERTILIZER PLANTS; PAPER MILLS; CHLOR-ALKALI
PLANTS; SETTLING PONDS; UPTAKE; SHELTERS;
TRANSPORT

A method for measuring total mercury in water,
suspended particulate matter, and bottom
sediments has been evaluated. Some data have
been applied to a study of the geochemical
pathways of mercury in a rural river and estuary
system. Concentrations of mercury in the LaHave
River (Nova Scotia) are related to the proximity
of a small rural town. The dissipation of

mercury in solution appears to be through
dilution, as well as by adsorption on suspended
particulate matter which raises the level in
particulate matter to the range of 2.04-34.4 ppm.
Bottom sediments in the LaHave River are
affected by sedimentation of particulate matter
containing high levels of mercury, but the
mercury concentration in the bottom sediments
ranges from 0.09 to 1.06 ppm. Mercury released
to the natural environment from industrial waste
effluents appears to be discharged mostly in the
dissolved form but may be quite rapidly adsorbed
as shown by analyses of suspended particulate
matter and bottom sediments.

112
Particulate Lead Contamination Recorded in
Sedimentary Cores from Lake Washington, Seattle

Crecelius, E.A.; Piper, David W.

Environmental Science and Technology, 7(11),
1053-1055; 1973

SEDIMENT CORES; SEDIMENTS; LEAD; HUMANS;
POPULATIONS; PARTICULATES; LEADED GASOLINE;
SHELTERS; LAKES

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (W), Washington,
Seattle, Lake Washington

Examination of two sedimentary cores from Lake
Washington reveals a sharp increase in the lead
content (from 3--400 ppm) during the past 80
years. The increase in lead parallels the
increase in population of the surrounding land.
The two major sources of lead are believed to be
particulate lead from the Tacoma smelter (from
1890 to 1913) and automobile gasoline additives
(from 1920's to the present).

113
Gamma-Emitting Radionuclides in Chesapeake Bay
Sediments Near Calvert Cliffs

Cressy, P.J., Jr.; Natural Resources Inst.,
Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, MD

Part of Ecological Effects of Nuclear Steam
Electric Station Operation on Estuarine Systems.
Volume 1. Mihursky, J.A. Natural Resources
Inst., ORO--4328-1 (9-15); 1973, August

BISMUTH 214; CESIUM 134; CESIUM 137; CHESAPEAKE
BAY; COBALT 60; PH; RADIATION MONITORING;
RADIOISOTOPE MIGRATION; RUTHENIUM 106; SALINITY;
SEDIMENTS; TEMPERATURE DEPENDENCE; THALLIUM 208

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (E), Maryland,
Chesapeake Bay

114
Concentrations of Manganese, Iron, and Zinc in
Juveniles of Five Estuarine-Dependent Fishes

Cross, P.; Brooks, J.

Conf-710501--P2, pp 769-775; 1971

ESTUARIES; FISH; IRON; MANGANESE; QUANTITY RATIO;
ZINC

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Relation Between Total Body Weight and Concentrations of Manganese, Iron, Copper, Zinc, and Mercury in White Muscle of Bluefish (*PARAICHTHYS SALTRATRIX*) and a Bathyl-Demersal Fish *ANTIMORA ROSTRATA*

Cross, F.A.

Fisheries Research Board of Canada J., 30(9), 1287

BODY WEIGHT; MANGANESE; IRON; COPPER; ZINC; MERCURY; MUSCLES; BLUEFISH; FISH; SALTWATER; BATHYL-DEMERSAL FISH

TAXONOMY: *ANTIMORA ROSTRATA*; *PARAICHTHYS SALTRATRIX*

Concentrations of mercury increased significantly with size in white muscle of bluefish and a bathyl-demersal fish, but concentrations of manganese, iron, copper, and zinc either remained constant or decreased. Fish residing in two different ecosystems in the Atlantic Ocean may therefore be in a steady state with their environment with respect to the latter elements, but not to mercury. Variations in accumulation patterns of trace metals as a function of size in these species are discussed.

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Organomercurials in the Environment

Cross, R.J.; Dep. Chem., Univ. Glasgow, Glasgow, Scot.

Chem. Ind. (London) (CHINAG), (15), 719-21; 1973

REVIEW; MERCURY; WATER; ORGANOMERCURIALS

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Mercury Accumulation in An Aquatic Ecosystem

Cumont, G.; Montiel, A.; Lab. Cent. Rech. Vet., Vaison-Alfort, Fr.

Trip. Cebadeau (Cent. Belge Etude Doc. Eaux Air) 26(352), 12a-6; 1973

MERCURY; ACCUMULATION; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; MERCURY; BIOACCUMULATION

118

The Effects of Mercuric Acetate on Adult Juvenile and Larval Oysters *CRASSOSTREA VIRGINICA*

Cunningham, P.A.

Am. Zool. 12(3), XXIX; 1972

TISSUES; SHELLFISH; DEPOSITION; RESPIRATION; OXYGEN; VELIGER; LARVAE; MORTALITY; OYSTERS; MERCURIC ACETATE

TAXONOMY: *CRASSOSTREA VIRGINICA*

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Trace Element Analyses of Whitefish

Cushing, C.; Watson, D.

BMWL--1750 (Pt.2) 6.14-6.15; 1973, March

ACTIVATION ANALYSIS; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; CHEMISTRY; RIVERS; FISHES; FOOD CHAINS; INSECTS; PLANKTON; TISSUES; TRACE AMOUNTS

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Possible Screening of Surface Charges on Crayfish Axons by Polyvalent Metal Ions

D'Arrigo, J.S.; Med. Cent., Univ. California, Los Angeles, Calif.

J. Physiol. (London) (JPHYA7), 231(1), 117-28; 1973

CRAYFISH; AXON POTENTIAL; CATIONS; NERVES; METALS; IONS

The effects of different polyvalent metal ions in the external solution on the threshold membrane potential for spike initiation in crayfish axons was studied by means of intracellular microelectrodes. Metal ions tested included 6 divalent (Ca^{2+} , Mg^{2+} , Sr^{2+} , Ba^{2+} , Co^{2+} , Ni^{2+}) and 3 trivalent cations (La^{3+} , Y^{3+} , Pu^{3+}). Identical extracellular concentrations of different cations with the same valence had essentially the same effect on threshold membrane potential. However, a very low concentration of trivalent cations (approximately 225 mM) was equivalent to a much higher divalent cation concentration (13.5 mM) as measured by their effects on threshold potential. Upon a 10-fold increase in concentration, the threshold potential for spike initiation was shifted in a positive direction by 30.6 mV with divalent cations and by 20.8 mV with trivalent cations. A hypothesis involving screening of negative charges at the axonal membrane surface, based on Gouy-Chapman theory, predicts these various experimental results rather closely. Evidently a high negative charge, sufficient to render a screening mechanism possible, exists at the surface of crayfish axons in the region of the Na gates. This is discussed in connection with the possible molecular identity of the Na gates.

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Mercury in the Aquatic Ecosystems

D'Itri, J.W.; Inst. Water Res., Michigan State Univ., East Lansing, MI

Bioassay Tech. Environ. Chem. (26VZAG), 3-70; 1973

REVIEW; MERCURY; FRESHWATER ECOSYSTEM; SEDIMENTS; RADIOACTIVITY; TRACERS; MARINE ECOSYSTEM; IONS

A review of the occurrence, distribution, accumulation in sediment, biological methylation, microbial conversion, and biological concentrations of mercury in the aquatic ecosystem, including use of preserved museum fish as Hg pollution indicators, Hg distribution studies with radioactive tracers, the toxicity of Hg in the freshwater ecosystem, and the effects of Hg and mercuric ion in the marine ecosystem, with 235 refs.

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Variation in the Toxicity of Arsenic Compounds to Microorganisms and the Suppression of the Inhibitory Effect by Phosphate

Da Costa, E.W.B.

Appl. Microbiol., 23(1), 46-53; 1972

FUNGICIDES; OXIDATIVE PHOSPHORYLATION; INTERFERENCE; GROWTH; POTASSIUM ARSENATE; INHIBITOR

TAXONOMY: PORIA MONTICOLA; CLADOSPORIUM HERBARUM

The toxicity of potassium arsenate, as measured by retardation or inhibition of growth on solid nutrient media, showed wide variation among different fungi but was consistently reduced by the addition of large amounts of potassium phosphate, with both arsenic-sensitive and arsenic-tolerant fungi. PORIA MONTICOLA was completely inhibited by 0.0025 M arsenate but was progressively less inhibited as the phosphate content of the medium increased and grew slowly at 0.04 M arsenate when 0.16 M KH_2PO_4 was added. CLADOSPORIUM HERBARUM showed 36% reduction in growth at 0.08 M arsenate in a low-phosphate medium, but when 0.01 M KH_2PO_4 was added, arsenate concentrations up to 0.64 M (at which the medium contains 4.8% As) caused no reduction in growth rate. Addition of phosphate also reduced the toxicity of potassium arsenite but not that of dimethyl sodium arsonate (sodium cacodylate). The counteracting effect of phosphate on arsenate toxicity was found to occur with every one of a wide variety of microorganisms tested. The author interprets the results as supporting the thesis that the fungitoxicity of arsenate is due to its competitive interference with phosphorus in oxidative phosphorylation and not to a reaction with the -SH groups of essential proteins. The latter mechanism is, however, probably operative with dimethyl sodium arsonate. The practical implications of the counter-inhibition phenomenon in laboratory investigations and standard tests of arsenical fungicides, in biochemical research, and in the commercial use of arsenical biocides are set out.

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Effects of Dieldrin on Brown Trout in Field and Laboratory Studies

Dacre, J.C.; Scott, D.; Med. Sch., Univ. Otago, Dunedin, N.Z.

New Zealand Journal of Marine and Freshwater Res. (NZJMR), 7(3), 235-246; 1973

DIELDRIN; TOXICITY; BROWN TROUT; WATER; FISH

TAXONOMY: SALMO TRUTTA

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: New Zealand, Otago, Silver Stream

The 24 hr LC₅₀ for dieldrin (I) in brown trout (SALMO TRUTTA) and bottom fauna of Silver Stream, Otago, New Zealand, after an accidental discharge of 55 l. of a I spray, was 0.016 ppm. The minimum lethal levels of I found in the skeletal muscles, liver, and brain were 1.0-2.0 ppm.

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Waste Water from Electroplating Plants and Precipitation of Heavy Metals

Daester, H.H.; Jola, M.; Daester-Paritoc A.G., Basel, Switzerland

Korros, Ytskyd (KOYTAD), 8(9), 24-29; 1973

REVIEW; HEAVY METALS; WASTE WATER; ELECTROPLATING; INDUSTRY

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The Neuro Toxicity of Alkyl Mercury Compounds

Dalen, L.G.

Am. J. Med. 53(2), 1972 219-232; 1972

HUMANS; RESPIRATORY TRACT; GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT; CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM; INHALATION; FUNGICIDES; SEEDS; FISH; FOOD CHAINS; BLOOD; FETUS

The alkyl compounds of mercury present a significant human health hazard. These compounds, which are readily absorbed through the respiratory or gastrointestinal routes and only slowly eliminated from the body, can cause serious damage to the central nervous system, and may lead to death or permanent major disability. Harmful exposure by inhalation has occurred in industrial and agricultural settings, where alkyl mercury compounds are used primarily as fungicides. Serious illness has also resulted from ingestion of both seed treated with alkyl mercury fungicides and of fish from contaminated waters. The latter form of poisoning may occur after the discharge of several forms of mercury into natural bodies of water, since aquatic microorganisms can convert inorganic mercury to alkyl mercury which then accumulates to dangerous concentrations in the higher rungs of biologic food chains. Although variation in exposure rates makes it difficult to set precise limits for safe environmental concentrations of these compounds, air levels of 0.01 µg/m³ and food concentrations of 0.5 to 1.0 µg/kg of mercury as alkyl mercury have found fairly widespread acceptance as the current critical values. A concentration of 10 µg/100 ml of blood has been proposed as the maximum permissible for mercury (as alkyl mercury) in exposed persons. The possibility that exposure to very small doses, heretofore regarded as harmless, may have subtle and yet still significant chronic health effects in the adult and not so subtle effects in the human fetus requires exploration.

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The Bio Transformation of Organo Mercury Compounds

Daniel, J.W.

Biochem. J., 130(2), 64-65; 1972

BIOTRANSFORMATION; ORGANOMERCURY; MICROORGANISMS; RATS; LIVER; FUNGICIDES; SOILS; MERCURY

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The Kinetics of and a Preliminary Model for the Uptake of Radio-Zinc by PHAEDACTYLUM TRICORNUTUM in Culture

Davies, A.G.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-18, 1972 (#03-419) 786 p.; 1973

KINETICS; MODELS; UPTAKE; RADIONUCLIDES; ZINC; TRACERS; CHELATION; GROWTH; METALS

TAXONOMY: PHAEDACTYLUM TRICORNUTUM

Using zinc 65 -labelling, measurements of the rate of uptake of zinc ions by initially zinc-free cells have been made. Treatment of a suspension of cells, containing zinc with a chelating agent indicates that a portion of the metal associated with the cells is loosely bound and probably adsorbed on to the cell surface. The remainder of the metal in the cell is more firmly bound; in the early stages of uptake, it increases linearly with the square root of time and this has been taken to indicate that the uptake of the metal is passive and diffusion controlled. The metabolic zinc content of the cells later passes through a maximum despite the availability of further zinc for uptake and then gradually decreases. This has been interpreted as being due to a reduction in the number of zinc-binding sites (probably protein) within the cells, as they progress through their growth cycle. A simplified model of these events, capable of computerization, has been developed and tested against the experimental observations.

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Effects of Chemical Variations in Aquatic Environments. III. Lead Toxicity to Rainbow Trout and Testing Application Factor Concept

Davies, P.H.; Everhart, W.H.; Dep. Fish. Wildl. Biol., Colorado State Univ., Fort Collins, Colo.

GPO, 1.25 dollars, Govt. Rep. Announce. (U.S.) 73(18), 55; 1973

LEAD; POISONING; FISH; WATER; RAINBOW TROUT; APPLICATION FACTOR

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Effects of Methylmercury Chloride on the Survival and Behavior of the Three-Spined Stickleback (GASTEROSTEUS ACULEATUS)

Deakins, D.E.; Univ. South. California, Los Angeles, CA

Univ. Microfilms, Ann Arbor, MI, Order No. 73-18, 805, Diss. Abstr. Int. B, 38(2), 533-534; 1973

MERCURY; TOXICITY; FISH; BEHAVIOR; STICKLEBACK; SURVIVAL; METHYL MERCURY

TAXONOMY: GASTEROSTEUS ACULEATUS

130

Case Against Mercury

Dean, R.B.; Natl. Environ. Res. Cent., Environ. Prot. Agency, Cincinnati, Ohio

AICHE Symp. Ser. 69(129), 279-83; 1973

REVIEW; MERCURY; FISH; TOXICITY

The occurrence of mercury intoxication by exposure to inorganic Hg compounds. In pesticides, consumption of Hg-poisoned fish, exposure to Hg-containing chemical effluents, and legislation to prevent or reduce hazards of Hg are reviewed with 23 refs.

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Study of Selected Parameters Affecting the Radiation Dose from Drinking Water Downstream of Nuclear Facilities

Denham, D.; Soldat, J.; Battelle Pacific Northwest Labs., Richland, Wash.

BNWL-SA--4545; 1973

NEPTUNIUM; ANTIMONY 122; ARSENIC 76; CHROMIUM 51; DIFFUSION; DRINKING WATER; GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT; MAN; NEPTUNIUM 239; RADIATION DOSES; RADIOECOLOGICAL CONCENTRATION; RADIONUCLIDE MIGRATION; SODIUM 24; ANTIMONY; ARSENIC; SODIUM

This paper describes a study of some parameters affecting radiation doses received from consumption of water derived from the Columbia River downstream of the Hanford production reactors. Included were studies of relative concentrations of radionuclides in water entering and leaving the water treatment plants at Richland and Pasco, Washington; sanitary water at a number of points in Richland; and coffee brewed from sanitary water. The removal efficiencies for the alum-floc water treatment plants studied ranged from 80% for rare-earth nuclides to 10% for Cr 51. The relative concentration of radionuclides (principally Na 24, As 76, Sb 122, Wp 239) found within the Richland distribution system was used to estimate the average dose to residents consuming the water. Average GI Tract doses calculated for persons residing at each of six locations within the city were 1/3 to 1/2 of those calculated for consumption of water leaving the treatment plant. The average dose received, calculated by weighting these six individual doses by the population distribution, yielded 45% of that calculated for consumption of water leaving the treatment plant. Since coffee represents a major liquid intake mode for adults, the potential removal of radionuclides during coffee brewing was studied. The concentrations of radionuclides in the water and coffee brewed from it were not significantly different for those radionuclides contributing the most to the GI Tract dose, and hence these doses were not significantly reduced.

132
Experimental Data on Contamination of Anguilla
anguilla by Chromium-51 and its Excretion

Oscamp, R.; Foulquier, L.; Aquesse, P.; Grauby, A.

C.R. Acad. Sc. Paris, t. 276 (12 février 1973)
Series D - pp. 1193-1196; 1973

FISH; CHROMIUM; CHROMIUM 51; INTESTINES;
DIGESTIVE TRACT; LIVER; KIDNEYS; BLOOD;
BIOLOGICAL HALF-LIFE; EXCRETION; CONCENTRATION
FACTOR; RADIOTRACER TECHNIQUES; ADSORPTION;
UPTAKE; TRACERS; INDIVIDUAL VARIATIONS

TAXONOMY: ANGUILLA ANGUILLA

The Anguilles were kept in soft water contaminated with chromium 51. The fixation of the radionuclide in the fish proceeded rapidly to a state of equilibrium at about the 20th day. The specific activity of the digestive tract was particularly high, representing about 70 percent of the total activity. The radionuclide penetrated the intestine and was carried throughout the organism by the blood. The liver seems to play a storage role. Excretion is rapid during the first few days and then much slower. Thus one determines two effective periods of 4 and 19 days for the whole animal and 3 and 17 days for the intestines. By the 25th day duration of the experiment, the specific activity of the digestive system decreased rapidly, that of the blood slowly, that of the liver remained stable and that of the kidneys increased slowly. Studies are continuing on the transfer mechanism, effects of the chromium compound on the mechanism and level of contamination, and the effect of the content of stable chromium on the fixing of the radionuclide. Most of the chromium was adsorbed on the walls of the aquarium and only 0.6 percent taken up by the Anguilles after 45 days. (Note that there appears to be a discrepancy in the biological half lives: 4 and 19 days are mentioned in one place, 4 and 65 on the figures and 20 and a longer time in another place).

133
The Enrichment of Heavy Metals in Submerged Plants
Distz, P.

Proc. 6th International Water Pollution Research
June 18-23, 1972, Session 2, Paper #4, 8pp.

ENRICHMENT; BIOACCUMULATION; POTASSIUM; COPPER;
LEAD; NICKEL; ZINC; MANGANESE; IRON; PLANTS;
AQUATIC BIOLOGY

TAXONOMY: SPERMATOPHYTES; BRYOPHYTES; MACROALGAE;
PLANTS; NUPHAR/LUTETIA; SAGITTARIA SAGITTIFOLIA;
PONTEDERA ANTIPIRETIKA; HYDROCHARITACEAE

134
Aquatic-Biotic Community Structure as an
Indicator of Pollution

Hills, G.G.; Rogers, D.T., Jr.; Geological
Survey, Division of Water Resources, Circular 80,
Project A-022-ALA, University, Alabama

; 1972

PHYSICO-CHEMISTRY; BENTHOS; COMMUNITY STRUCTURE;
RIVERS; WINE DRAINAGE; TURBIDITY; HARDNESS; IRON;
MANGANESE; PH; CONDUCTANCE; SULFUR; DISSOLVED
OXYGEN; PHOSPHATE; SPECIES DIVERSITY

Physicochemical conditions and benthic
macroinvertebrate community structure were

quantitatively related to varying degrees of acid
mine drainage in a small stream system.
Tributaries exposed to acid effluents were
characterized by lack of a natural buffering
capacity, a reduction in turbidity, a decrease in
lead, and an increase in mineral content. Strong
positive correlation existed between hardness,
iron, manganese, lead, conductance, and sulfur,
while dissolved-oxygen content and temperature
values were strongly negatively correlated. A
step-wise regression analysis showed lead,
phosphate, and turbidity to be highly correlated
(P is less than .01) with species diversity.
Significant differences (P is less than .01) in
species diversity existed between acidic and
nonpolluted tributaries. Stations located near
areas of acid production were consistently lowest
in diversity. Species diversity values for the
unpolluted stations showed temporal variations
with highest values occurring during late March
and December. The polluted stations showed random
fluctuations in diversity values. A regression
line, calculated to show the relationship between
lead and species diversity, could be used to
predict species diversity on the basis of
periodic measurement of stream lead. Varying
degrees of acid mine pollution were reflected by
changes in the macroinvertebrate community
structure.

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Possible Inter-Relationship Between Selenium
Toxicity and the Biochemical Function of Trace
Amounts of Selenium

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Presented at the Seventh Annual Conference on
Trace Substances in Environmental Health,
University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO
65201; 1973, June 12-14

SELENIUM; TOXICITY; BIOCHEMISTRY; OXIDATION;
DIMETHYL SELENIDE; RATS; ANIMALS; VITAMIN E

Studies with trace amounts of selenium 75 in rats
have indicated that a part of a dose of Na(2)-75
SeO(3) becomes converted in the liver to a
protein-bound acid-volatile form of the element
which is susceptible to oxidation, and appears to
be protected from oxidation IN VIVO by dietary
vitamin E. Model experiments are described
designed to distinguish hydrogen selenide from
dimethyl selenide. It is shown, using the model
system, that the tissue acid-volatile selenium is
not an alkyl selenide and that it is most likely
to be a hydrogen selenide. The major route of
detoxication of large amounts of selenium is by
formation of volatile dimethyl selenide, which is
exhaled. The sequence of reactions by which
selenium compounds may be converted to dimethyl
selenide has been described by Ganther. The
possibility is discussed that a similar metabolic
sequence may account for the conversion of trace
amounts of Na(2)-75 SeO(3) to the protein-bound
selenide of rat liver subcellular organelles.

136
Radiosensitization of Blue-Green Alga ANACYSTIS
NIDULANS by Chemical Compounds

Nmitriev, A.; Grodzinski, D.

Stud. Biophys. 35(3), 157-163; 1973

ALGAE; ANOXIA; BENZOIC ACID; RADIATION EFFECTS;
GAMMA RADIATION; MERCURY COMPOUNDS;
MONOCARBOXYLIC ACIDS; NINHYDRIN; ORGANIC CHLORINE
COMPOUNDS; ORGANIC IODINE COMPOUNDS;
ORGANOMETALLIC COMPOUNDS; OXYGEN; PHOTON BEAMS;
RADIOSENSITIVITY

137
Influence of Copper and Zinc Ions on Toxicity of
Sodium N-Methyldithiocarbamate to *Fusarium
oxysporum* P. *Specialis lycopersici*

Domsch, K.H.; Gorden, M.E.; Dep. Bot. Plant
Pathol., Oregon State Univ., Corvallis, Oreg.

Arch. Microbiol. (ABRKA7), 83(4), 345-52; 1973

METHYLDITHIOCARBAMATE; COPPER; ZINC; SYNERGISM;
FUNGICIDES

TAXONOMY: *FUSARIUM OXYSPORUM*

The interactions between the fungicide, sodium
N-methyldithiocarbamate (NaMDC), and fungitoxic
or non-toxic levels of copper or zinc ions were
reevaluated. It was shown that non-toxic levels
of NaMDC generally reduce the fungitoxicity of
copper sulfate solutions, while copper sulfate
solutions of low toxicity, when combined with
NaMDC solutions of low toxicity, yielded a highly
toxic mixture with an UV spectrum similar to that
of dimethyldithiuram disulfide, a fungicide which
is about 100 times more toxic to the test
organism, *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *lycopersici*,
as is the compound NaMDC. Fungi with a high
sensitivity to copper ions are not suitable for
demonstrating a toxic 1:1 complex between copper
ions and the dithiocarbamate. In high
concentrations NaMDC proved to be stable even in
the presence of copper ions. In these cases, the
significantly increased NaMDC toxicity, when
combined with copper or zinc sulfate, was
attributed to the synergistic action of the metal
ions on the semipermeability of cytoplasmatic
membranes. Since binodal dosage response curves
were obtained for NaMDC in the absence of copper
or zinc ions in the test medium, the "inversion
phenomenon" is probably limited to reactions
inside the cell.

138
Study of Lead, Copper, Zinc, and Cadmium
Contamination of Food Chains of Man

Dorn, C.R.; Pierce, J.O., II; Chase, G.R.

University of Missouri-Columbia, U.S. Department
of Commerce PB-223 019, 121 p.; 1972

LEAD; COPPER; ZINC; CADMIUM; SHELTERS; HUMANS;
FOOD CHAINS

Results of studies on soil, vegetation, meat and
milk contamination in a new lead producing region.

139
Sorption Behaviour of Trace Nuclides in Sea Water
on Manganese Dioxide

Doshi, G.; Krishnamoorthy, T.; Sastry, V.; Sarma,
T.

Indian J. Chem., 11(2), 158-161; 1973, February

ACTIVATION ANALYSIS; ADSORPTION; ANTIMONY;
ARSENIC; CERIUM; CESIUM; CHEMICAL ANALYSIS;
CORAL; BARIUM; MANGANESE OXIDES; RADIATION
MONITORING; RUTHENIUM; SALTWATER; SELENIUM;
SEPARATION PROCESSES; SILVER; STRONTIUM; TIN;
TRACE AMOUNTS; URANIUM; ZINC; ZIRCONIUM; SORPTIVE
PROPERTIES

Adsorption behavior of 14 radionuclides, viz. Co,
Zr, Ru, Cs, Sr, Hf, Ag, Se, Zn, Cd, As, Sb, Sn
and U, from sea water is studied on manganese
dioxide precipitated in situ. Quantitative
capture is found for Co, Ru, Zr, Hf, Cd and Zn.
Comparisons are made with the sorption capacity
of ferric hydroxide for the same nuclides. The
application of the in situ precipitation in the
field of activation analysis and monitoring of
radionuclides released from nuclear installations
is discussed. The adsorption on powdered
manganese dioxide was not nearly so good, so much
larger quantities were required. Anionic
complexes were not adsorbed strongly. Isotopes
of silver, selenium, antimony and tin were not
carried quantitatively. In situ precipitation
can be used as a preconcentration step with
seawater, for neutron activation analysis, but
uranium should, but uranium should be removed
first to avoid fission product formation during
irradiation. Detection limits of several fission
products in seawater are given.

140
Interaction Between Water, Trace Elements, and
Different Components in the Danube River

Draskovic, R.; Radosavljevic, R.; Tasovac, T.;
Zaric, M.

Eur.-4800 (Vols. 1 and 2), Boris Kidric Inst. of
Nuclear Science, Vinca, Yugoslavia, p. 1167-74;
1972, May

RIVERS; ELEMENTS; RADIOISOTOPES; REACTION
KINETICS; TRACE ELEMENTS; WATER

From International symposium on radioecology
applied to the protection of man and his
environment; Rome, Italy (7 Sept 1973). The
environment is a complex system of interacting
physical, chemical and biological components. The
fate of radioactive and nonradioactive pollutants
introduced into rivers and their influence on
existing equilibria depend on specific
characteristics of the aquatic environment.
Temporal variations in ambient trace element
concentrations may affect the accuracy of the
predictions but these variations are functions of
the biological half time of the element in
ecosystems. Results of an eleven-year research
program are presented concerning the Yugoslav
section of the Danube river which included study
of the characteristics of the river and its
environment; interaction between water and
dispersed inorganic and organic matter, and
dispersion ability of the river as well as
behavior of different trace and radioactive
elements in the river and its components
including biological and other environmental
materials. The analyses show regularities on the
large scale.

181
Short-Term Indicators of Sublethal Effects of
Copper on Brook Trout, *Salvelinus Fontinalis*

Drummond, R.A.; Spoor, W.A.; Olson, G.P.; Natl.
Water Qual. Lab., U.S. Environ. Prot. Agency,
Duluth, Minn.

J. Fish. Res. Board Can. (JFPRBK), 30(5),
698-701; 1973

COPPER; TOXICITY; TROUT; FISH BEHAVIOUR

TAXONOMY: SALVELINUS FONTINALIS

Changes in cough frequency, locomotor activity,
and feeding behaviour of yearling brook trout
were observed within 2-24 hr after exposure to
copper sulfate (CuSO_4) concentrations as low as
6-14 $\mu\text{g Cu/l}$. Each of these responses showed
promise as a short-term predictor of the
concentration range at which chronic exposure to
Cu might have no permanent effect.

182
Distribution of Trace Metals in the Pore Waters
of Shallow Water Marine Sediments

Muchart, P.; University of Edinburgh, Scotland

Limnology & Oceanography, 18(3), 605; 1973, July

DISTRIBUTION; TRACE METALS; SALTWATER; SEDIMENTS;
PHYSICOCHEMISTRY; COPPER; NICKEL; ZINC; LEAD;
ATOMIC ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Scotland, Loch Fyne

Concentrations of seven trace metals in the pore
waters of marine sediments from Loch Fyne,
Scotland, were analyzed by atomic absorption
spectrophotometry following solvent extraction.
Dissolved iron either decreases or increases down
the core depending on the type of sediment.
Copper, nickel, zinc, and lead also showed
variable concentrations profiles. This indicates
control by different postdepositional reactions
in the sediment, which in turn depend on
different physiochemical environments generated
by variable amounts of contained organic material
and different accumulation rates.

183
Radionuclide Uptake by Some Freshwater Hydrobionts

Dushauskene, Duzh, W.; Marchyuleneva, E.D.P.;
Myanishkene, V.B.; Shulene, R.I.; Polikarpov,
G.A.

Ist. TSP Mokslu Akad. Darbai, Ser. C- 3- No.
59, 201-212; 1972

CERIUM 144; CESIUM 137; FISH; FLIES; LARVAE; LEAD
210; PLANKTON; RADIOISOTOPES; RADIONUCLIDES;
KINETICS; RUTHEMIUM 106; SILT; STRONTIUM 90;
UPTAKE; WATER

184
Specific Activity of Radionuclides Sorbed by
Marine Sediments in Relation to the Stable
Element Composition

Duursma, E.K.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine
Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held at the
International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA,
July 10-14, 1972 (47-70), 786 p. ; 1973

RADIONUCLIDES; SORPTION; SEDIMENTS; ELEMENTS;
DISTRIBUTION COEFFICIENTS; SALT WATER

The problem investigated is whether the binding
of radionuclides to marine sediments in a waste
disposal area can be predicted from studies of
the trace metal contents of the sediments. To
evaluate this, the experimentally determined
distribution coefficients of various
radionuclides and the existing corresponding
stable isotope distribution were compared for
different marine sediments of the major ocean
basins. The ratio of the distribution
coefficient of the radionuclide to that of its
stable counterpart was considered to be a measure
of the amount of the stable isotope available for
exchange with the radionuclide in seawater. The
ratios were normally low, but ranged from about
0.1 to 100% for the different elements and
sediments tested. The practical application for
waste disposal evaluations is that the ratios
estimated for a particular area might be used for
a first approximation of the maximum amount of
radionuclides that might be held by the sediment
at a given specific activity in the seawater.

185
Determination of Mercury Content in Austrian
Surface Waters. I. Danube Water and Sediments

Dvorsky, R.; Ebner, F.; Gams, H.; Ottendorfer,
L.J.; Bundesanst. Wasser Biol. Abwasserforsch.,
Vienna, Austria

Oesterr. Abwasser-Rundsch., 18(2), 22-27; 1973

MERCURY; RIVERS; SEDIMENTS; ATOMIC ABSORPTION
SPECTROPHOTOMETRY; INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Austria, Danube River

The mercury content in water and sediments from
the Danube River and its tributaries was
determined by atomic absorption
spectrophotometry. The water samples were taken
from the Austrian stretch of the river. The
mercury was constant approximately 0.1
 $\mu\text{g/l}$ corresponding to an estimated average
for surface waters unaffected by external
sources. Analyses of sediments from the Danube
tributaries gave 0.44 to 1.16 $\mu\text{g/kg}$ in wet mud.
Their analyses were below the limit 0.5 $\mu\text{g/kg}$
which is permitted by an international standard.

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Chronic Toxicity of the Copper, Cadmium and Zinc Mixture to the Plathead Minnow (Pimephales Promelas Rafinesque)

Eaton, J.G.

Water Research, 7, 1723-1736; 1973

PLATHEAD MINNOS; TOXICITY; CADMIUM; ZINC;
COPPER; FISH

TAXONOMY: PIMEPHALES PROMELAS

Plathead minnows were exposed to a series of concentrations of a copper, cadmium and zinc mixture during a 12.5 month chronic test in water of 200 mg l⁻¹ total hardness. The metal concentrations in the mixture were selected on the basis of results obtained during previous chronic exposures to each of the metals individually in the same water. Strict summation of the chronic toxicities of the metals was not indicated when they were tested in combination. Toxic effects of the mixture attributable to copper appeared to be increased, but that attributable to cadmium was reduced. The effects thought to be due to zinc were similar in degree to those observed in the single chronic exposure. Summation of effects resulting from a mixture containing about the same proportions of copper, cadmium and zinc occurred at a much higher, acutely lethal concentration. A lethal threshold was attained in the mixture when each metal was present at a concentration of 0.4 or less of its individual lethal threshold.

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Wisler, R.; National Marine Water Quality Laboratory, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, West Kingston, Rhode Island 02892

Environmental Protection Agency Report number, EPA-R3-73---7; 1973, February

BIBLIOGRAPHY; BIOLOGICAL EFFECTS; METALS; AQUATIC ENVIRONMENTS

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Acute Toxicology to an Estuarine Teleost of Mixtures of Cadmium, Copper, and Zinc Salts

Wisler, R.; Gardner, G.R.; Natl. Mar. Water Qual. Lab., U. S. Environ. Prot. Agency, West Kingston, R. I.

J. Fish Biol. (JFIBA9), 5(2), 131-42; 1973

CADMIUM; TOXICITY; MUMMICHOG; COPPER; ZINC;
KIDNEYS

TAXONOMY: FUNDULUS HETEROCALITUS

Mixtures of cupric chloride and zinc chloride produced more deaths among mummichogs (FUNDULUS HETEROCALITUS) in synthetic seawater at 20‰ salinity and 20 degrees than was expected based on the toxicities of the individual salts, and concentrations of cadmium chloride not ordinarily lethal has a negative effect on the survival of fish intoxicated by salts of copper, zinc, or both. Cadmium, copper, and zinc residues for survivors held in mixtures, especially cadmium and zinc mixtures did not conform to patterns observed for single elements. Atomic absorption determinations of cadmium, copper, and zinc residues from mummichogs surviving 96 hour exposures provided useful indices of total body burdens for these metals but whole body aggregates of cadmium, copper, and zinc from dead mummichogs were of limited value because of accumulation of the metals after death. Renal and lateral line canal lesions were observed in all fish subjected to copper concentrations greater or equal to 1 mg/L. Renal lesions in fish immersed in mixtures of CuCl₂ and CdCl₂ showed a damage pattern characteristic of cadmium, and with mixtures of CuCl₂ and ZnCl₂ the lesions were typical of copper-induced damage. Epithelia lining the oral cavity were necrotized by the caustic action of ZnCl₂ (60 mg/L) and CuCl₂ (8 mg/L).

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**Elemental Composition of the Estuarine Teleost
FUNDULUS HETEROCLIPTUS (L.)**

Finler, R.; LaRoche, G.

J. Exp. Mar. Biol. Ecol., 9, 29-42; 1972

MUNNICHOG; SALINITY; PH; DISSOLVED OXYGEN; SALT WATER; ATOMIC ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY; FISH; CALCIUM; COPPER; IRON; POTASSIUM; MAGNESIUM; MANGANESE; SODIUM; STRONTIUM; ZINC; SILVER; GOLD; ALUMINUM; BARIUM; BERYLLIUM; CADMIUM; COBALT; CHROMIUM; CESIUM; LITHIUM; NICKEL; LEAD; RUBIDIUM; THALLIUM; SIZE EFFECTS; AGE EFFECTS; SEASONAL VARIATIONS; TEMPERATURE EFFECTS

Elements that were consistently present in whole ashed FUNDULUS HETEROCLIPTUS (L.) as determined by atomic absorption spectroscopy were calcium, copper, iron, potassium, magnesium, manganese, sodium, strontium, and zinc; not measurable were silver, aluminum, gold, barium, beryllium, cadmium, cobalt, chromium, cesium, lithium, nickel, lead, rubidium, and thallium. This pattern was not affected by the age of the fish, its sexual condition, or the season of collection. Changes in whole body content of selected elements were observed with increasing age: in the range between 46 and 118 millimeters total body length, large fish contained more calcium and strontium and less potassium, magnesium, sodium, and zinc than small fish; Fundulus intermediate in size exhibited intermediate values for these elements. On an ash weight basis, heads were comparatively low in potassium, iron, magnesium, zinc, and strontium and carcasses comparatively high in potassium and low in copper, iron, strontium, and sodium. Viscera contained high concentrations of most elements when compared with heads and carcasses, especially iron, zinc, strontium, and copper. In a study of the effect on whole body elemental content of two size ranges of Fundulus, at two water temperatures, two salinities, and two acclimatization periods, we found that Fundulus 84 millimeters in length contained more calcium, and less copper, potassium, magnesium, sodium, and zinc per unit weight than those measuring 47 millimeters. Within each size group, fish kept at 5 or 20 degrees C at salinities of 9.0/00 or 27.0/00 exhibited essentially the same elemental composition after 30 days; however, fish held for 30 days when compared with those held for only three days contained significantly less calcium, sodium, potassium, magnesium, zinc, copper, and manganese. In another study on effects of three sea-water formulations, two feeding frequencies, and two medium replacement rates on whole body elemental composition, changes were least pronounced during a 30-day period among fish that were fed daily as compared with weekly, that were held in a sea-water formulation developed by our laboratory as compared with natural sea water or a commercial preparation, and among groups with the medium replaced twice weekly compared with no replacement. Selected data on the elemental composition of other species of teleosts and elasmobranchs are presented and discussed.

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Pesticide Study Series 1: A Catalog of Research in Aquatic Pest Control and Pesticide Residues in Aquatic Environments

Environmental Protection Agency; Office of Water Programs

Contract No. 68-01-0349 (Office of Water Programs), GPO No. 5501-0355, Project Officer, Charles D. Reese, Agronomist; 1972, May

PESTICIDES; AQUATIC BIOLOGY; PEST CONTROL; RESIDUES;

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Concentrations of Zinc-65 in Marine Foodstuffs and Pacific Coastal Residents

Essig, T.H.; Endres, G.W.R.; Soldat, J.K.; Honstead, J.P.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-14, 1972, 651-668

ZINC; ZINC 65; RIVERS; MARINE FOODSTUFFS; NEUTRON ACTIVATION; RADIOACTIVITY; FOOD CHAINS; METABOLISM; SHELLFISH; PRODUCTION REACTOR; EFFLUENTS; HUMANS; HALF-LIFE

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NW), Washington, Hanford, Columbia River

Hanford production reactors and released to the Columbia River in effluent cooling water prior to February 1971 was zinc-65. This nuclide has a relatively long radioactive half-life (245 days) and is an isotope of an element utilized in metabolic processes by most shellfish and other aquatic life forms. Consequently, zinc-65 is found in fish and shellfish in the Columbia River and in the Pacific Ocean near the mouth of the river. The transfer of zinc-65 through various food chains to man has been studied at Hanford for a number of years. In the present study, consumption rates of four seafoods were obtained for residents of two coastal communities. These consumption rates were used, together with concentrations of zinc-65 in the foods of interest, to estimate body burdens of zinc-65. The estimated body burdens were then compared with body burdens determined by whole-body counting techniques. The distributions of the ratios between the measured and calculated zinc-65 body burdens are somewhat flat and not centered on 1.0. However, they could well be typical of data of this type obtained from the general population. Some of the scatter is undoubtedly due to inaccuracies in recalling seafood consumption, and some is quite likely due to real variations in uptake and retention of zinc-65 between individuals. Particularly, the retention of zinc-65 may be a function of the amount of stable zinc already in the body. Persons with low body burdens of stable zinc may pick up and retain higher levels of radioactive zinc, and vice versa. The effective half-life of any radionuclide certainly varies from one person to another because of differences in body metabolism. Considering the many variables, agreement within a factor of two between the measurements and calculations is a reasonable result. Further studies are planned for autumn 1972.

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Mercury in Public Sewer Systems

Evans, R.L.; Sullivan, W.T.; Lin, S.; Water Qual. Sect., Illinois State Water Surv., Peoria, Ill.

Water Sewage Works (WSWOAC), 120(2), 74-6; 1973

MERCURY; SEWAGE; FISH; PAPER; FISH PRODUCTS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., Illinois

The geometric mean of total mercury concentrations in five public sewer systems in central Illinois ranged from 1.3 to 1.8 ppb. Illinois standards stipulate a maximum concentration of 0.5 ppb of mercury in public sewer systems. Without lowering the existing tolerance guidelines for mercury in foodstuffs, paper products, drinking water, etc., it would appear difficult to comply with Illinois standards. There appears to be a background concentration of mercury in public sewer systems solely devoid of industrial waste influence.

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Effects of Ocean Water on the Soluble-Suspended Distribution of Columbia River Radionuclides

Evans, D.W.; Cutshall, N.H.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-18, 1972 (125-139) 786 p.; 1973

ZINC: ZINC-65; ANTIMONY; SCANDIUM; MANGANESE; MANGANESE-54; RADIONUCLIDES; SOLUBLE-SUSPENSION DISTRIBUTION; FLOCCULATION; PRECIPITATION; ADSORPTION; SALTWATER; RIVERS; SALINITY

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NW), Washington, Hanford, Columbia River

The relationships of dissolved concentrations of Hanford radionuclides with salinity in the Columbia River estuary were interpreted in terms of the exchange of the radionuclides between dissolved and suspended particulate matter upon mixing with ocean water in the estuary. Experiments in which ocean water was added to Columbia River water and to suspended particulate matter collected on filters confirmed the partial desorption of zinc-65 and manganese-54 from the particulate phase. The percentage of zinc-65 and manganese-54 desorbed varied with experimental approach but desorption of zinc-65 seemed to lie in the range 15 - 45% and manganese-54 in the range 30 - 60%. None of the experiments revealed any effect of salinity upon the soluble-suspended particle distribution of chromium-51, antimony-124 or scandium-46. Dissolved concentrations of these nuclides varied inversely with salinity. There was no evidence that any of the radionuclides studied was removed from solution by flocculation, precipitation or adsorption as the result of mixing with ocean water. Ocean water contact partially removed manganese-54 but not zinc-65, scandium-46 or cobalt-60 from Columbia River bottom sediments transferred to the marine environment. The inability of ocean water to desorb zinc-65 from bottom sediment contrasts with its action with suspended particulate zinc-65.

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Structural and Physiological Studies on the Parasitic Red Alga *Holmsella-Pachyderma*

Evans, L.V.; Callow, J.A.; Callow, M.E.

New Phytol., 72(2), 393-402; 1973

FLORIDOSIDE; MANNITOL; STARCH; PHOTOSYNTHESIS; PRODUCT; CHROMATOGRAPHY; AUTORADIOGRAPHY; ACCUMULATION; PARASITES; ALGAE; RED ALGAE; CARBON 14

TAXONOMY: GRACILARIA; GRACILARIA-VERrucosa

A study has been made of the structural and physiological relationship between the autotrophic red algae, *GRACILARIA VERRUCOSA*, and the parasitic, chloroplast-free, red alga, *HOLMSELLA PACHYDERMA*. By means of carbon-14 labelling experiments, the major product of photosynthesis in the *GRACILARIA* was found to be the alcohol glycoside, floridoside. Chromatography and autoradiography showed that carbon-14 was transferred to *HOLMSELLA* and accumulated there as floridoside, mannitol and starch. This transfer probably occurred through endophytic filaments which arise from the base of the parasite and penetrate between the cells of the *GRACILARIA*.

155

Methyl Mercury Accumulation in an Aquatic Food Chain. A Model and Some Implications for Research Planning.

Fagerstrom, T.; Asell, B.

Ambio, 2(5), 164-71; 1973

METHYLMERCURY; BIOACCUMULATION; MATHEMATICAL MODEL; FOOD CHAINS; INTAKE; FOOD; OXYGEN; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS

Methyl mercury accumulation in fish is theoretically studied by means of a mathematical model for a three-stop food chain. The model assumes gain of methyl mercury in proportion to intake of oxygen and food, these in turn being size-dependent. Some properties of the model are analyzed with the specific aim of getting guidance for further research activities. This analysis lends, qualitatively, support to the belief that direct uptake of methyl mercury from water is the most important subject for further study.

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Some Aspects of the Quantitative Ecology of Mercury

Pagerstrom, T.; Jernplov, A.; Sved. Water-Air Pollut. Res. Lab., Stockholm, Sweden

Water Res. 6, 1193-1202

TRANSFORMATION; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; FIELD EXPERIMENTS; QUANTITATIVE ECOLOGY; MERCURY; LABORATORY STUDIES

TAXONOMY: METANOBACTERIUM AMELIANSKII; PSEUDOMONAS

This paper outlines some of the most important ecological properties of mercury and describes a sub-model constructed for computer simulation. Mercury sulfide, HgS , a low solubility compound, is formed whenever mercury (+2) and sulfur (-2) are present and mercury may also take over sulfide ions from other sulfides. HgS may also be formed monomethyl mercury in the presence of sulfide ions. HgS , upon oxidation, yields mercury ions and sulfate (SO_4) ions. Elemental mercury results from the physico-chemical or biochemical reduction (PSEUDOMONAS) of divalent mercury. Oxidation of elemental mercury has been shown to occur in an aquatic environment when organic substances and oxygen are present. Complexes between divalent mercury and organic substances are readily formed in water. Mercury shows a particular affinity for sulph-hydryl organic substances. Resolubilization of divalent mercury in the form of soluble organic complexes may occur but reformation of soluble inorganic complexes are probably not very significant. Formation of divalent mercury inorganic complexes can be formed with silica type or ferro-manganese type compounds. Methyl mercury is formed along one of two biochemical pathways: a nonenzymatic and an enzymatic transfer of methyl groups from methyl cobalamin to inorganic mercury in METANOBACTERIUM AMELIANSKII; enzymatic methylation of mercury bound to homocystein has been shown to occur in Neurospora. Biologic decomposition of methyl mercury occurs in Pseudomonas as well as some higher organisms. Dimethyl mercury is formed from inorganic mercury or monomethyl mercury in connection with microbiological activity. UV light mediates the conversion back to elemental mercury. Quantification of the translocation of methyl mercury (and its breakdown products) is presented.

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Uptake and Biotransformation of Phenylmercuric Acetate by Aquatic Organisms

Fang, S.C.; Dep. Agric. Chem., Oregon State Univ., Corvallis, OR

Arch. Environ. Contam. Toxicol. (AECTCV), 1(1), 18-26; 1973

PHENYL MERCURY ACETATE; METABOLISM; FISH; SNAILS; MERCURY; PLANTS; ELODEA; GUPPY; COONTAIL; BIOLOGICAL HALF-LIFE; FRESHWATER

TAXONOMY: ELODEA CANADENSIS; CERATOPHYLLUM DEMERSUM; LEBISTES RETICULATUS; HELISOMA CAMPANULATA

Guppy (LEBISTES RETICULATUS), snail (HELISOMA CAMPANULATA), Elodea (ELODEA CANADENSIS), and coon tail (CERATOPHYLLUM DEMERSUM), when exposed to water containing ^{203}Hg -labeled phenylmercuric acetate, readily absorbed this compound. The rate of absorption was related to the time of exposure and the compound concentration; the absorbed phenylmercuric acetate was mainly converted to inorganic mercury ethylmercuric chloride was a minor metabolic product. The radioactive Hg was not rapidly eliminated from the guppy, elodea, and coontail when the organisms were placed in fresh water, the biological half-life of ^{203}Hg residues ranging between 43 to 58 days.

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Effects of Some Chelating Agents and Their Copper Complexes on Photosynthesis in SCENEDESMUS QUADRICAUDA

Fangstrom, I.; Inst. Physiol., Univ. Uppsala, Uppsala, Sweden

Physiol. Plant. (PHPLAI), 27(3), 389-97; 1972

CHELATION; COPPER; ALGAE; PHOTOSYNTHESIS; HYDROXYQUINOLINE; TROPOLONE; ISOPROPYL DIMETHYLDITHIOCARBAMATE

TAXONOMY: SCENEDESMUS QUADRICAUDA

The effects on apparent photosynthesis in the green algae SCENEDESMUS QUADRICAUDA of four chelating substances, 8-hydroxyquinoline (= oxine), beta-isopropyltropolone (= beta-thujaplicin), sodium dimethyldithiocarbamate and 3-(beta-hydroxy-ethyl)-C-pentamethylene-3-azadithiocarbamate have been investigated. The first three compounds mentioned all had an inhibitory effect on photosynthesis, measured as oxygen production with a manometric, a volumetric or a polarographic method. In combination certain concentrations of $CuSO_4$ bimodal dose response curves were observed, similar to those obtained on the growth of different microorganisms. Calculations of the amounts of different complexes that appeared in the nutrient solutions during the experiments are compared with the recorded degrees of inhibition. The results strongly indicate that the 1:1-complexes between copper(2+) and the chelating substances are the most toxic agents at low concentrations of these compounds.

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Investigation of Dispersion and Dilution of Suspended Species in River Flow by Radio-Tracer Techniques

Filip, A.; Boris Kidric Institute of Nuclear Sciences, Vinca-Beograd, Yugoslavia

International Journal of Applied Radiation and Isotopes, 22, 331-337; 1971

DISPERSION; DILUTION; SEDIMENTS; RIVERS; TRACERS; RADIOACTIVITY; TRANSPORT; SORPTION; BROMINE 82; LANTHANUM 140; DISTRIBUTION; FRESHWATER; FLOW DYNAMICS

Interconnection between soluble and suspended material in a river arises through the process of sorption. This implies that a significant part of the soluble effluent is carried by the suspended material. As a result, even in the case of extensive sorption, the transport of effluent is influenced by mechanisms having different velocities in the fluid. Attention is paid to the transport phenomena of natural suspended material and to suspended material which can appear in river streams as an effluent. Their behaviour is compared with water soluble material which has negligible sorption. Natural suspended material and cellulose fibers have been labeled by radioisotope lanthanum-140, and bromine-82 is used as the water soluble tracer. In each test 0.1-1.0 kg of the above mentioned material was released virtually instantaneously as a point source of total activity of approximately 1 Ci. The flow-rate during the experiments was about 3500 m³/sec. Distribution of tracer materials was followed to a distance of 11 km downstream from the injection point. From the concentration-time distribution the dispersion coefficients have been determined.

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Mercury Accumulation by the Fresh Water Algae *SELANASTRUM CAPRICORNUTUM*

Filip, D.S.; Lynn, R.T.

Chemosphere No. 6, 251-258; 1972

MERCURY; BIOACCUMULATION; FRESHWATER; ALGAE; ABSORPTION

TAXONOMY: *SELANASTRUM CAPRICORNUTUM*

SELANASTRUM CAPRICORNUTUM, a unicellular, fresh water, green algae, was selected for these experiments as a widely distributed representative of low trophic level aquatic plants. Algae cultured in a modified Bristol solution in which 0.1 ppm mercury was maintained were exposed to either light, darkness, or were formalin-killed. Analysis for mercury content was made of a hydrolysate of algae cultured under these conditions. Results showed no significant difference in mercury content among the three types indicating that the rapid absorption of organic mercury is solely a passive process.

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Mercury Contamination of Fish in Northwestern Ontario

Finareite, W.; Reynolds, L.M.; J. Wildl. Manage. (JWMAA 9), 37(1), 62-8

J. Wildl. Manage. (JWMAA 9) 37(1); 62-8; 1973

MERCURY; FISH; MUSCLES; PIKE; CHLORINE PLANTS; LAKES; WALLPYE; BURBOT

TAXONOMY: *PSOX LUCIUS*; *LOTA LOTA*; *STIZOSTEDION VITREUM*

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Canada, Ontario (NW)

The maximum mercury levels in lateral muscles of northern pike (*PSOX LUCIUS*), burbot (*LOTA LOTA*), and walleye (*STIZOSTEDION VITREUM*) from northwestern Ontario were 27.8, 24.8, and 19.6 ppm, respectively measured in specimens taken 50-60 miles downstream from a chlorine plant. They decreased proportionally to the distance from the plant but were increased even 200 miles downstream. The levels in specimens from suspected uncontaminated lakes were generally less than 1 ppm but frequently greater than 0.2 ppm which is considered as the maximum background concentrations.

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Effects of Regulatory Guidelines on the Intake of Mercury from Fish. Mecca (Model for the Estimation of the Consumption of Contaminants) Project

Pinch, R.; Fish. Prod. Res. Insp. Div., Natl. Mar. Fish. Serv., Washington, DC

Fish. Bull. (PSYBAY), 71(3), 615-626; 1973

MERCURY; FISH; MODELS; INTAKE; REGULATION

From a computer model, which uses known levels of microconstituents in 52 kinds of fish to predict the distribution of the daily intake of the microconstituents, it was estimated that intakes of mercury from fish would remain safe if the guidelines for Hg in fish were raised from the present level of 0.5 ppm to 1.5 ppm. The model can be used to predict the distribution of consumer intakes from fish of any constituent present in fish for which the levels in the edible portion of the 52 kinds of fish used in the model are known.

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Organic Mercury Compounds in Coastal Waters

Fitzgerald, W.P.; Lyons, W.B.; Mar. Sci. Inst., Univ. Connecticut, Groton, Conn.

Nature (London) (Natues), 242(5398), 452-3; 1973

MERCURY; COASTAL WATERS; ORGANIC MERCURY

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., New York, Connecticut, Long Island Sound, Connecticut River

Water samples from coastal waters and adjacent river waters in the vicinity of Long Island Sound were analyzed for inorganic and total mercury. Particulate matter was not analyzed. A modified flameless atomic absorption technique was used. The precision of analysis for mercury is 1% based on repeats of a standard sample. As high as 50-60% of the mercury present in the samples may exist either as organic compounds or in association with organic matter. Total mercury concentrations (1.8-1 micrograms) for the four sampling sites are: Connecticut River, 0.045; Avery Point Dock, 0.067; Fishers Island Sound, 0.078; Race, Long Island Sound, 0.067.

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Some Trace Element Concentration Variations
Observed in Marine Organisms That Suggest Caution
in Sampling

Folson, T.P.; Hodge, V.P.; Wong, K.H.; Kishore,
P.; Guinn, V.P.; Scripps Institution of
Oceanography, La Jolla, Calif. Soledad Lab.

TID-26198 Report for the IDOF Workshop on
Baseline Measurements at Brookhaven National
Laboratory, Upton, NY, May 24-26, 1972; 1973

ANIMALS; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; BIOLOGICAL
VARIABILITY; ELEMENTS; GEOGRAPHY; PLANTS;
QUANTITY RATIO; TRACE AMOUNTS; SEAWATER

This report presents examples to emphasize how
greatly concentrations of certain trace elements
may vary within a given organism and suggests
that importance must be given to sampling
tissues consistently. Relatively little is
known about how the several trace elements are
distributed between the various organs, and
still less about how the concentrations vary in
different tissues within the organ. Variations
also occur with size and age. Thus, heavy avera
ge concentrations of zinc in organs of albacore
occur in the tail fin while low average
concentrations of selenium occur in the tail fin.
A striking example of high specific local
concentration occurs in the outer layers of fish
help; almost 1000 times higher concentrations
of polonium-210 have been found in the outer
layers than in the inner layers.

165
Sources and Inventory of Radioactivity in the
Aquatic Environment

Poster, P.; Battelle Pacific Northwest Labs.,
Richland, Wash.

Battelle Pacific Northwest Labs., Richland, Wash.
Contract AT(45-1)-1830, BNL-SA-4614;
CONF-730603--7; 1973, June

ANTHONY; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; BARIUM 140;
BERYLLIUM 7; CARBON 14; CERIUM 144; CESIUM 134;
CESIUM 137; CHROMIUM 51; RIVERS; COBALT 58;
COBALT 60; CONTAMINATION; DAUGHTER PRODUCTS;
DIFFUSION; REACTORS; FALLOUT; FUEL REPROCESSING;
IODINE 131; IRON 55; LIQUID WASTES; MANGANESE 54;
MARINE DISPOSAL; NATURAL RADIOACTIVITY; NIOBIUM
95; NUCLEAR INDUSTRY; NUCLEAR SHIPS; PHOSPHORUS
32; POTASSIUM 40; RADIOACTIVE WASTE DISPOSAL;
RADIOACTIVE WASTES; RADIOACTIVITY; RADIONUCLIDE
MIGRATION; RADIUM 226; RIVERS; SCANDIUM 46; SNAP
BATTERIES; STRONTIUM 87; RUTHENIUM 106; STRONTIUM
89; STRONTIUM 90; SURFACE WATERS; TECHNETIUM 99;
THORIUM 232; TRACERS; TRITIUM; URANIUM 235;
URANIUM 238; YTTRIUM 91; ZINC 65; ZIRCONIUM 95

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Mercury in Fish and Crustaceans Consumed in
Belgium

Pouassin, A.; Fontaine, A.; Wolfraline, A.; Lab.
Anal. denrees Aliment., Univ. Liege, Leige, Belg.

Arch. Belg. Med. Trav. Med. Log. (ABMHA), 31(3),
45-52; 1973

MERCURY; CONTAMINATION; FISH; TUNNY; PIKE; RAY;
SHARK; CRUSTACEA

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Belgium

167
Factors Affecting Plant Uptake and Distribution
of Cadmium in Plants

Francis, C.W.; Rush, S.G.

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Trace Substances in Environmental Health,
University of Missouri-Columbia Columbia, MO
65201; June 12-14, 1973

CADMIUM; UPTAKE; DISTRIBUTION; PLANTS; BUSH
BEANS; JAPANESE MILLET; IRON; CHELATION;
NUTRIENTS; NITROGEN; PH; SELENIUM; DTPA; TOXICITY

TAXONOMY: PHASEOLUS VULGARIS (VAR. KENTUCKY
WONDER) ECHINOCHLOA PROHENTACTA

Conditions regulating cadmium uptake by plants
are not well understood. Bush beans (PHASEOLUS
VULGARIS, var. Kentucky Wonder) grown in
nutrient solutions were used to evaluate the
effects of nitrogen, lead, and selenium on plant
uptake of cadmium. Japanese millet (ECHINOCHLOA
PROHENTACTA) was grown in soil under greenhouse
conditions to evaluate the plant availability of
cadmium from two chemical forms of cadmium
(CdCl₂ and CdO). Plant uptake of cadmium was
nearly tenfold greater from nutrient solutions
containing an iron chelate (FeDTPA) at lead
4.6 than at 6.5. In nutrient solutions not
containing the iron chelate, cadmium uptake was
equal at both lead's. Zinc amendment
significantly (P is less than 0.05) decreased
root cadmium-109 concentrations; however,
significantly greater cadmium-109 concentrations
(P is less than 0.05) were found in leaves of
bush beans growing in 5 ppm than 1 ppm zinc with
no apparent zinc toxicity. Bush beans grown in
nutrient solutions containing 0.1 ppm selenium
contained lower concentrations of applied cadmium
109 than those grown at selenium concentrations
of 0.001 ppm. Cadmium-109 concentrations in
Japanese millet were significantly (P is less
than 0.05) lower in plants grown in soil amended
with calcium carbonate soil lead is greater than
7) than those grown at lead 5.1. This was true
for soil applications of both the chloride and
the oxide form of cadmium-109. In the first
harvest of Japanese millet, cadmium foliar
concentrations were significantly (P is less than
0.05) higher for the chloride form than the
oxide, but in the second harvest, only plants
grown in the unlabeled treatments showed
significantly different concentrations between the
two forms. In neutral to alkaline soils three
months after application, the forms of cadmium
appear to affect cadmium uptake by plants only to
a small degree. Thus, it appears that soil
reaction products play a dominant role in cadmium
availability to plants.

168
Mercury Content of Sediments from Two Lakes in
Dalarna, Sweden

Fredriksson, I.; Qvarfort, U.; Dep. Quaternary
Geol., Inst. Geol., Uppsala, Swed.

Geol. Foerh. Stockholm Foerh. (GPSFA4), 95(Pt.
2), 237-42; 1973

MERCURY; SEDIMENTS; LAKES

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Sweden, Dalarna

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Mercury in Canadian Seals

Freeman, H.C.; Horne, D.A.; Fisheries Research Board of Canada, Halifax Laboratory, 1707 Lower Water Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada

Bull. Environ. Contam. Tox. 10 (3), 172-180; 1973

MERCURY; SEALS; FETUS; METHYLMERCURY

The mercury concentration was determined in ringed and bearded seal pups, tissues from a harbor seal, tissues obtained from 6 gray seals of different sizes and ages, tissues from ten female harp seals and their pups, and a female gray seal and her fetus. It was suggested that the mercury concentration of the fur and blubber could be used as indicators of the degree of the seals' mercury contamination. Preliminary results indicate that mercury contamination in these species, from the same location, increases with size. The methylmercury concentration of seal pups was lower than that of their mothers. The fetus of the seal did not show a preference for mercury over that of the mother's tissues. It was suggested that seal pups possess enzyme systems that demethylate mercury.

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Total Mercury and Methylmercury Content of the American Eel (*ANGUILLA ROSTRATA*)

Freeman, H.C.; Horne, D.A.; Halifax Lab., Fish. Res. Board Canada, Halifax, Nova Scotia

J. Fish. Res. Board Can. (JFRBAC) 1973, 30 (3) 654-6

MERCURY; AMERICAN EEL; METHYLMERCURY; SEX

TAXONOMY: *ANGUILLA ROSTRATA*

The total mercury content of American eels (*ANGUILLA ROSTRATA*) caught in Nova Scotia was 0.72 ppm, and the methylmercury content was 0.40 ppm. There was no correlation between the levels of mercury and the sex or weights of the eels. These eels may be fit for human consumption, as they contain less than 0.5 ppm methylmercury and less than 1.0 ppm total mercury.

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Sampling the Edible Muscle of the Swordfish (*XIPHIAS GLADIUS*) For Total Mercury Analysis

Freeman, H.C.; Horne, D.A.; Halifax Lab., Fish. Res. Board Canada, Halifax, Nova Scotia

J. Fish. Res. Board Can. (JFRBAC), 30 (3), 1251-2; 1973

SWORDFISH; MERCURY; FISH; ANALYSIS; MUSCLES

TAXONOMY: *XIPHIAS GLADIUS*

Total mercury was uniformly distributed in the edible muscle tissue of three swordfish, demonstrating that a sample of muscle tissue taken from any region is representative of the whole muscle tissue when used for mercury analysis. The mean plus or minus Standard Error total mercury concentrations of longitudinal, depth, and transverse muscle sections from three swordfish were: 1.07 plus or minus 0.04, 1.03 plus or minus 0.04, and 0.99 plus or minus 0.08 microgram/gram; 0.15 plus or minus 0.01, 0.15 plus or minus 0.03, and 0.14 plus or minus 0.02 microgram/gram; and 0.54 plus or minus 0.01, 0.51 plus or minus 0.04, and 0.54 plus or minus 0.06 microgram/gram, respectively.

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Recovery of Rainbow Trout From Aluminum Poisoning

Freeman, R.A.; Dep. Fish. Wildl. Biol., Colorado State Univ., Fort Collins, Colo.

Trans. Amer. Fish. Soc. (TAFSAC), 102 (1), 152-6; 1973

ALUMINUM; POISONING; FISH; METALS; RAINBOW TROUT

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Chemical Element Balances and Identification of Air Pollution Sources

Friedlander, S.K.; W. M. Keck Engineering Laboratories, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, Calif. 91109

Environ. Sci. Tech. 7 (3), 235-240; 1973

PARTICULATES; HYDROCARBONS; EMISSIONS; POINT SOURCES; ATMOSPHERE; AIR

Air pollution sources of given types, whether natural or man-made, emit a characteristic set of chemical elements in approximately fixed proportions. If the sources in a polluted region are known, the contributions from each source can be estimated by measuring elemental concentrations at a given point and solving a set of simultaneous linear algebraic equations. The method has been applied over an 11-hr. period and averaged over particle size. For the period in question, about 15% of the particulate matter resulted from primary natural sources and 25% from primary man-made sources. About 80% of the total results from atmospheric reactions with one quarter produced by the conversion of gas phase hydrocarbons to particulate form. The estimate for this figure is based on a carbon balance. Altogether, about 70% of the total particulate burden has been accounted for with water probably making up a significant proportion of the missing 30%. Improvement and extensions of the method are discussed.

174
Accumulation of Mercury by Fresh Water Planktonic Diatom

Pujita, M.; Hashizume, K.; Natl. Inst. Public Health, Tokyo, Japan

Chemosphere (CNSHAG), 1(5), 203-7; 1972

DIATOMS; MERCURY UPTAKE; UPTAKE; MERCURY ACCUMULATION; PLANKTON; ACCUMULATION; MERCURY; FRESHWATER

TAXONOMY: SYNEURA ULNA

The accumulation of mercury in SYNEURA ULNA, a freshwater diatom, grown in a medium containing radioactive mercury was examined. The uptake of mercury from the medium by SYNEURA occurred rapidly after addition of mercuric chloride and attained a maximum during the first 7 hours. The uptake was mainly due to adsorption on the surface of cells. The concentration of mercury in the SYNEURA was $1.4 - 6.1 \times 10^{-4}$ times its concentration in freshwater. This concentration of mercury in SYNEURA was found to vary, it being influenced by the concentration of mercury or inorganic ions in the culture medium.

175
Accumulation of Mercury in the Food Chain. River Model.

Pujita, M.; Hashizume, K.; Inst. Public Health, Minist. Health Welfare, Japan

Soda to Enso (STOENB), 24(9), 303-315; 1973

REVIEW; MERCURY; FOOD CHAINS; RIVERS; ALGAE; INSECTS

A review with 3 references. Mercury accumulation in nature is discussed using the experimental river food chain (algae, insects, and fish).

176
Biological Impact of Combined Metallic and Organic Pollution in the Coeur D'Alene-Spokane River Drainage System

Punk, W.H.; Rabe, P.W.; Pilby, R.; Parker, J.Y.; Winner, J.P.; Washington State Water Res. Cent., Pullman, WA

PB Report No. 222946/6, 202p.; 1973

METALS; RIVERS; BIOTA; ORGANIC COMPOUNDS; CONTAMINATION

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., Spokane River, Coeur D'Alene River

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Trace Metals and Organisms

Fuwa, K.; Fac. Agric., Univ. Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan

Bussel (BUSIBU), 1973, 14(6) 396-401

REVIEW; TRACE METALS; COPPER; EUGLENA; ZINC; CARBOXYPEPTIDASE; CADMIUM; METALLOCYANINE; MICROORGANISMS

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Trace Metals and Organisms

Fuwa, K.; Fac. Agric., Univ. Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan

Bussel (BUSIBU) 14(6), 396-401; 1973

REVIEW; TRACE METALS; COPPER; EUGLENA; ZINC; CARBOXYPEPTIDASE; CADMIUM; METALLOCYANINE; AQUATIC BIOTA

A review with 5 references on the influence of trace metals on organisms. Experimental results of traces of Cu on EUGLENA, the effect of traces of Zn on carboxypeptidase and traces of Cd in metallothionein are discussed.

179
Migration and Leaching of Metals from Old Mine Tailings Deposits

Galbraith, J.H.; Williams, R.P.; Siems, P.L.

Ground Water, 10(3), 33-44; 1972

MIGRATION; LEACHING; METALS; MINES; TAILINGS; TRANSPORT; BACTERIA; MICROORGANISMS

Leaching of heavy metals by ground water passing through mine tailings is caused by the oxidation of sulfides through the action of microorganisms. The pH of the ground water entering the tailings system is reduced by mechanisms within the tailings system itself. Action of sulfide-oxidizing and sulfur-oxidizing bacteria causes the formation of sulfuric acid, thereby increasing the H and SO₄ concentration within the system. Metal ions go into solution as metal sulfates, and the concentration of H₂S increases by the interaction of H and S₂. Increase in H₂S creates an environment suitable for the growth of sulfate-reducing bacteria which converts SO₄ to S₂ and simultaneously precipitates metal sulfides at a pH near 6.6. Decrease in pH with depth destroys sulfate-reducing bacteria, and dissolution and leaching of the tailings increase. Four lines of evidence demonstrate the presence of microorganisms in the tailings system: (1) Fe-Mn concretions below the water table at Cataldo Mission Flats, (2) fixation of Na and K below the water table, (3) precipitation of sulfate salts on the surface of Cataldo Mission Flats, and (4) experiments on two sets of tailings samples, one from the surface which showed predominant aerobic activity and one from below the water table which showed predominant anaerobic activity. Where oxygen is sufficient, iron oxidizing bacteria oxidize Fe²⁺ to Fe³⁺ which forms an insoluble hydroxide. Consequently, very little iron is found in the ground water coming from the system. The combination of these mechanisms produces poor-quality ground water with respect to metals.

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Transport of Trace Pollutants in Lead Mining Wastewaters

Gale, W.L.; Hardie, M.G.; Jennett, J.C.; Aleti, A.

Part of Hemphill, D.D. (Ed.), Sixth Annual Conference on Trace Substances in Environmental Health, Held at Memorial Union, University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO, June 13-15, 1972 (p. 95-106) 399p.; 1973

LEAD; COPPER; ZINC; MINING; PARTICULATES; MILLS; EFFLUENTS; NUTRIENTS; ALGAE; SILVER; ALGAL GROWTH; ACCUMULATORS; HEAVY METALS; UPTAKE; CADMIUM; PH; DISSOLVED OXYGEN; WATER HARDNESS; FLUORIDES; SUSPENDED SOLIDS; PHOSPHATE; NITRATES; NITRITE; AMMONIA; WATER QUALITY STANDARDS; WATER; RIVERS; BACTERIA; PROTOZOA; ROTIFERS; NEMATODES; MINE WASTES

The New Lead Belt region of southeastern Missouri, located in a rural heavily wooded region of the Ozarks became the world's largest lead mining district in 1970. A comprehensive study of the water quality in receiving streams has been made during the past year as part of a continuing interdisciplinary effort to define and quantify the effects of the lead mining industry on the surrounding area. Prior to the full development of the mines, the heavy metals content of area streams was insignificant with background values for lead, copper, and zinc in the range of 1 to 20 parts per billion. Because of natural conditions present in the New Lead Belt, there is little problem with dissolved heavy metals in regional streams. Results indicate, however, that considerable quantities of finely ground mineral particles may escape flotation and tailings reservoirs and be transported through the aquatic environment, especially during periods of turbulence. In addition to escaping minerals, mine and particularly mill effluents sometimes contain nutrients which encourage the development of complex algal and microconsumer communities. These aquatic forms have been found to trap and assimilate lead in significant quantities. In streams receiving mine and mill effluent, there is an inverse relationship between the content of lead in the organisms of the first trophic level and distance downstream from the sources of contamination. We can conclude from these studies that because of stream and geochemical factors in this part of Missouri, under present water quality conditions, no significant problem of dissolved heavy metals being released from the lead mining industry is apparent. There is, however, the possibility and in some cases the evidence that large amounts of lead and zinc can be released in particulate form, and this is trapped and assimilated by local members of the biological community, particularly those in the lower trophic levels. Further studies are in progress to determine the extent of transferring heavy metals to higher trophic levels, but whether by consumption of contaminated algae and resultant food chain dissemination, or by dislodgement of the contaminated algae and passive dispersion during storm turbulence, or by sediment transport, the aquatic environment of the New Lead Belt is a major vehicle for present and potential dissemination of heavy metals from the mines and mills.

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The Impact of Lead Mine and Mill Effluent on Aquatic Life

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LEAD; MINES; MILLS; SMELTERS; AQUATIC BIOLOGY; ALGAE; ALGAL BLOOMS; ZINC; NUTRIENTS; HEAVY METALS

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Photosynthetic Organisms and the Nutritional Impact of Mine and Mill Effluents in the New Lead Belt of Southeastern Missouri

Gale, W.L.; Wixson, B.G.; Hardie, M.G.; Jennett, C.J.; Dept. of Civil Engineering, Environmental Research Center

NSF-(RANN) New Lead Belt Project, University of Missouri-Rolla, 28p.

PHOTOSYNTHESIS; PLANTS; ALGAE; NUTRIENTS; MINES; MILLS; EFFLUENTS; LEAD; ZINC; HEAVY METALS; COPPER; ALGAL BLOOMS

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Algal Growth Problems and Trace Metals Dissemination in Water Resource Studies in the New Lead Belt of S. E. Missouri

Gale, W.L.; Wixson, B.G.; Hardie, M.G.; Jennett, C.J.; Dept. of Civil Engineering, Environmental Research Center

NSF-(RANN) New Lead Belt Project, University of Missouri-Rolla, 36p.

ALGAE; ALGAL BLOOMS; NUTRIENTS; TRACE METALS; EUTROPHICATION; SMELTERS; LEAD; ZINC; CADMIUM; COPPER

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Distribution of Dissolved Mercury in the Irish Sea

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Nature (London) (NATURE) 241(5391), 526-527; 1973

MERCURY; SALT WATER; DISTRIBUTION; SEWAGE; SLUDGE

This study of the distribution pattern of dissolved Hg in the Irish Sea shows that significant pollution occurs in the eastern coastal strip. There are two areas offshore in which the dissolved Hg concentration exceeds 200 ng l.⁻¹; one of these is an area used for the dumping of sewage sludge from Manchester. Other sludges are known to contain up to 150 ppm of Hg and, in fact, concentrations of particulate Hg of up to approximately 900 ng l.⁻¹ were observed in the area. The authors suggest that the observed high concentrations of dissolved Hg found at this station were liberated during bacterial decomposition of the sludge. The dissolved Hg content is also relatively high (up to 843 ng l.⁻¹) in an elongated patch to the west of the Ribble Estuary. The very low levels of dissolved mercury to the north indicates that the Hg does not originate from the effluents from the chlorine-alkali plant on the River Wyre. These two areas lie within that part of the Irish Sea yielding fish which have an average Hg content (0.53 ppm dry weight) more than double those from the rest of this sea (average 0.21 ppm).

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Copper Induced Lesions in Estuarine Teleosts

Gardner, G.R.; LaRoche, G.; Natl. Mar. Water Qual. Lab., U.S. Environ. Prot. Agency, West Kingston, R.I.

J. Fish. Res. Board Can. (JPRBAK), 30(3), 763-768; 1973

COPPER; POISONING; FISH; MUMMICHOG; SILVISIDE; MECHANORECEPTORS; TOXICITY; ZYGOTES; ESTUARIES

TAXONOMY: FUNDULUS HETEROCILITUS; MENIDIA MENIDIA

Cellular changes attributable to copper were observed in the mechanoreceptors of the lateral line canals in the head of adult mummichog (*Fundulus heteroclitus*) and Atlantic silverside (*Menidia menidia*), and the canal epithelium was altered in *F. heteroclitus*. In both species, lesions were observed in the olfactory organs, which included the chemoreceptive sites. These evidences of Cu poisoning were observed at 0.5, 1.0, and 5 mg/l. concentrations of Cu. renal changes were seen in *F. heteroclitus* exposed to 1.0 and 5 mg/l., and high Cu concentrations administered i.p. to *F. heteroclitus* induced liver damage. Fry of *F. heteroclitus* were more sensitive to Cu than the adults or their zygotes, and lesions were not evident in developing sensory areas of the lateral line or the olfactory systems in these immature forms.

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Biological Effects of Cooling Tower Blowdown

Garton, R.B.; Natl. Environ. Res. Cent., Corvallis, Oreg.

AICHE Symp. Ser. (ACSSCQ), 69(129), 284-92; 1973

ZINC; BLOWDOWN; TOXICITY; CHROMATE; TROUT; ALGAE; POWER PLANTS; COOLING TOWERS

TAXONOMY: SELFWASTRUM CAPRICORNUTUM

Both the zinc phosphate and sodium chromate components of a synthetic blowdown mixture duplicating the blowdown discharge from a proposed power company cooling tower were toxic to juvenile steelhead trout and to the green algae, *SELFWASTRUM CAPRICORNUTUM*. The blowdown mixture was not toxic when the zinc and CrO₄ components were removed.

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Mercury DDT and PCB in Harbor Seals
Phoca vitulina from the Bay of Fundy and Gulf of Maine

Gaslin, D.P.; Frank, R.; Holdrinet, N.; Ishida, K.; Walton, C.J.; Smith, N.

J. Fish Res. Board Can., 30(3), 871-875; 1973

DIELDRIN; FAT; LIVER; DDT; PCB; SEALS; PORPOISES

TAXONOMY: PHOCA VITULINA; PHOCOENA PHOCOENA

Samples of blubber, longissimus muscle, liver, and cerebrum from 12 harbour seals (*Phoca vitulina*) were analyzed for DDT, dieldrin, PCBs, and total mercury content. The results were

compared with those obtained previously for harbour porpoises (*Phocoena phocoena*). DDT and PCB levels appear to be of the same magnitude in the fat of seals from both southern New Brunswick and southern Maine, being lowest in a lactating female. Virtually no o,p'-DDT and relatively little dieldrin were found in seal fat, in contrast to porpoises, which contained significant amounts of both in the depot fat. Mercury levels were generally similar to those found for porpoises, but total liver Hg was considerably greater in adults from the New Brunswick islands than in those from the southern Maine ledges.

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The Cycling of Mercury Through the Environment

Gavis, J.; Ferguson, J.P.

Water Res., 6(9), 989-1008; 1972

CYCLING; MERCURY

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Ground-Water Contamination. An Explanation of its Causes and Effects

Geraghty & Miller

A Special Report by Geraghty and Miller, Inc. Consulting Ground Water Geologists, Port Washington, NY; 1972, May

GROUND WATER; CONTAMINATION; CESSPOOLS; SEPTIC TANKS; STORM SEWERS; WATER SUPPLIES

Groundwater quality has only recently been seen to have deteriorated as a result of many years of dumping liquid wastes into the ground. Eventually this pollution will enter man's water supplies. Common sources of groundwater pollution are: cesspools and septic tanks; leaky sanitary and storm sewers. The expense and technical problems involved in reclaiming a contaminated aquifer are far greater than for surface waters. Inorganic chemicals are relatively indestructible, are persistent, and are difficult to remove from water. USPHS has set minimum standards for concentrations of substances acceptable in drinking water. Permeability of geologic formations depends on the rock and the nature of the bedding and fracturing. Geologic units are often underlain by a series of layers of rocks each with its own hydraulic characteristics. Waste fluid movement, both rate and direction, are influenced by the configuration and slope of the water table. The greater the slope, the more rapid the spread of contaminants. Normal ground water movement is to river or stream, never the reverse. However, when pumping of the aquifer occurs near a stream, ground water levels are lowered and the hydraulic gradient may be reversed. Saline aquifers may contaminate fresh water aquifers if the two zones are connected by abandoned or improperly sealed wells. There is now no Federal law prohibiting dumping of dangerous wastes on the land, and though most states do have such laws, enforcement is lax.

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Water Atlas of the United States

Geraghty, J.J.; Miller, D.W.; Van der Leeden, P.; Troise, P.L.

Water Information Center, Inc., Water Research Bldg., Manhasset Isle, Port Washington, NY 11050 Inc., Water Research Bldg., Manhasset Isle, Port Washington, NY 11050 N.Y. ISBN: 0-912394-03-X; 1973

WATER; ATLAS; GEOGRAPHY; MAPS; LAKES; RIVERS

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Toxic Effects of Mercury on the Activated Sludge Process

Ghosh, M.M.; Ziegler, P.D.; Dep. Civ. Eng., Univ. Maine, Orono, Maine

J. Water Pollut. Contr. Fed. (JWPCF), 45(3) 424-33; 1973

MERCURY; ACTIVATED SLUDGE PROCESS; WATER TREATMENT; SLUDGE; MICROORGANISMS; INHIBITION

A preliminary study was conducted to determine the effect of mercury dosed as $HgCl_2$ on a batch-fed system of microorganisms similar to that found in the activated sludge process. The results of this investigation indicate that mercury at concentrations less than 2.5 $\mu g/l$ as Hg^{2+} has little effect on the activity of a mixed aerobic biomass. However, at a dosage of 5.0 $\mu g/l$ or higher, aerobic biological processes are definitely inhibited. The inhibitory effect of mercury is temporary. It is possible for an aerobic biological process to acclimate to a moderately high dosage of mercury. The time required for acclimation increases with the dosage of mercury applied to the system. At a dosage of 5.0 $\mu g/l$, a maximum COD removal of 84 percent was accomplished within 5 hours, and that at a dosage of 10.0 $\mu g/l$ was 82 percent, accomplished in 9 hours. The maximum COD removal in the control was 93 percent, occurring within 3 hours.

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Pharmacodynamics of Methyl Mercury in the Rainbow Trout (*Salmo gairdneri*). Tissue Uptake, Distribution, and Excretion

Giblin, P.J.; Nassaro, E.J.; Dep. Biochem., State Univ. New York, Buffalo, NY

Toxicol. Appl. Pharmacol. (TIAPA), 24(1), 81-91; 1973

MERCURY; RETENTION; RAINBOW TROUT; DIMETHYLMERCURY; FISH; ELIMINATION; PHARMACODYNAMICS; METHYLMERCURY; UPTAKE; DISTRIBUTION; EXCRETION; BIOACCUMULATION

TAXONOMY: SALMO GAIKNERII

The tissue distribution, rate of uptake and concentration of ^{203}Hg -labeled methylmercury was investigated in 20 different tissue organs over a period of 100 days following a single intragastric dose of 0.4 μg Hg/kg body weight. Mercury content was analyzed by gamma scintillation spectrometry. After 1 hr, mercury concentration factors >0.1 were detected in the

blood, heart, liver, spleen and kidney (a concentration factor (CF) of 1.0 equals mercury concentration in dose). Highest mercury concentrations ($CF > 7.0$) were observed in the blood (at 7 days) and spleen (at 14 days). After 100 days, the CF of the blood was >2.0 and the CF values of the spleen, kidney and liver were >1.0 . Maximum CF values were reached in the skeletal muscle, brain and lens after 34, 56 and 90 days, respectively. Maximum values were reached in most other tissues/organs at approximately 7 days. Skeletal muscle appeared to function as a reservoir for methylmercury and accumulated 50% of the dose from 34 to 100 days post administration. Methyl mercury accumulation in the brain was limited to 0.1% of the dose. The rate of mercury excretion appeared to be biphasic as a result of a slow elimination from the skeletal muscle relative to the other tissues/organs. Employing both the slow and fast rate, the half-retention time for methyl mercury in rainbow trout was estimated to be >200 days.

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Prevalence of Human Dental Caries and Water-Borne Trace Metals

Glass, P.L.; Rothman, K.J.; Espinal, P.; Velez, M.; Seith, M.J.; Forsyth Dent. Cent., Boston, Mass

Arch. Oral Biol. (AOB), 18(9) 1009-1010; 1973

MAGNESIUM; DENTAL CARIES; MOLYBDENUM; VANADIUM; FLUORIDE; COPPER; MANGANESE; CALCIUM

marked differences in the prevalence of dental caries have been observed in two isolated villages in Colombia, South America. These differences approximate those observed between areas of minimal and optimal fluoride ingestion, although each village has less than 0.1 ppm fluoride in the drinking water. Dietary histories reveal remarkably similar dietary practices. Samples of drinking water were collected from these villages, and analyzed by emission spectroscopy for the concentrations of 21 trace elements. In the case of 13 elements, concentrations were at or below the threshold of detection or showed minimal variability. Concentrations of calcium, magnesium, molybdenum and vanadium were higher in the water samples from the village with the low caries prevalence, while concentrations of copper, iron and manganese were higher in the samples from the village with the higher prevalence. These differences were highly significant. The caries prevalence in the high caries village was typical of the country as a whole.

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Solution of Waste Water Problems in Metal Cutting Work

Goehgen, H.G.; Cologne, Germany

Verstätt Btr. (VUBA), 106(5) 321-4; 1973

REVIEW; METALS; LUBRICATION; WASTEWATER; OIL EMULSION; SEWAGE

195 Mercury

Goldwater, L.J.; Clarkson, T.W.

Part of Lee, D.H.K., *Metallic Contaminants and Human Health*, Academic Press, New York, Chapter 2 (p. 17-55), 241p.; 1972

MERCURY; CINNABAR; CIRCULATION; LITHOSPHERE; HYDROSPHERE; ATMOSPHERE; WATER; BIOSPHERE; SOILS; PESTICIDES; MERCURIC CHLORIDE; MERCURIOS CHLORIDE; FISH; SHELLFISH; FUNGICIDES; ALKYL MERCURY; ARYL MERCURY; ALKOXYALKYL MERCURY; PHENYL MERCURY; METHYL MERCURY; SLIMICIDES; TUNA; SWORDFISH; FOOD CHAINS; FEATHERS; BIPDS; METHYLATION; BRAIN; TOXICITY; ENZYMES; BLOOD BRAIN BARRIER; KIDNEYS; EXCRETION; FECES; INHALATION; PNEUMONITIS; ACUTE; CHRONIC; SYMPTOMS; CONGENITAL DEFECTS; CEREBRAL PALSY; METAL RETARDATION; POISONING; DOSE-RESPONSE RELATIONSHIP; FOOD; BLOOD; BIOLOGICAL HALF-LIFE; NICE; RATS; SPALS; MONKEYS; POULTRY; CRAB; PIKE; FLOUNDER; EELS; DRINKING WATER; BLOOD LEVELS; BLOOD PLASMA; OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURES; ANIMALS

Mercury is one of the least abundant elements, namely about 2.7E-6 percent in the earth's crust. The only commercial ore is the sulfide, cinnabar. Usually the concentration in natural waters is less than 0.1 micrograms per liter but occasionally values up to several micrograms per liter and infrequently higher values. In the lithosphere the range is 3 parts per billion to 1) parts per million. In the atmosphere normal values are 1 to 10 nanograms per cubic meter. There is some circulation of natural mercury, with it evaporating into the atmosphere, being washed out with rain and flowing into the ocean, etc. Man has affected this natural circulation, in some ways and places seriously. Mercury compounds have been used as slimicides in pulp and paper plants, organic mercury compounds have been used as fungicides on seed grain and large quantities of mercury and its compounds have been lost and discharged to streams. Some mercury has evaporated and more has been emitted into the atmosphere as a result of burning coal. Within the last 5 years, it has been found that some of this mercury is methylated, is concentrated in little fish, and even more so in large predator fish and in fish-eating birds, to the point that there is a hazard to man, which has resulted in serious pathological effects in Minamata, Japan. Almost all the methyl mercury is absorbed in both fish and man and has a long biological half life in both, so that with a small steady intake, the level builds up. Graphs of build up and excretion are given. Severe cases of organic mercury poisoning have resulted from eating seed grain treated by mercury fungicides or from eating pork fed on such grain. The predominant feature is permanent organic injury to the brain resulting in weakness, paralysis, loss of vision and disturbed cerebral function. Severe cases become comatose and end fatally. In Minamata, Japan, the problems arose from eating mercury contaminated fish and shellfish, apparently over several years. In both the above cases females without obvious symptoms gave birth to infants with congenital defects such as cerebral palsy, mental retardation, etc. Goldberg points out that various factors have complicated dose-response relationship and that minimal response has often been found with exposures greatly in excess of the accepted threshold value. He points out that the nature of the compound has a considerable effect on the absorption metabolism, excretion, and ability to pass barriers within the body. He says plasma concentrations of mercury are more significant than whole blood values.

196 Effect of Copper on Hematological Indices and Oxidase Activity of Serum Ceruloplasmin in Carp

Govorova, M.P.

Ref. Zh. Biol, 18, 43-45; 1971

COPPER; HEMATOLOGY; CARP; TOXICITY; OXIDASE ACTIVITY; SERUM CERULOPLASMIN; MILK

The effect of different amounts of Cu obtained from dry milk on hematological indices and the oxidase activity of the serum ceruloplasmin were studied in carp yearlings. The results confirmed conclusions obtained from work on mammals and suggested the desirable and toxic norms of Cu for carp. The ceruloplasmin oxidase activity was proportional to the amount of Cu in the food.

197 Growth Rates of Sediment-Living Marine Protozoan as a Toxicity Indicator for Heavy Metals

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Ambio, 2(4), 118-121; 1973

GROWTH; TOXICITY; LEAD; ZINC; MERCURY; TEMPERATURE SALINITY; FISH; SHELLFISH; EFFLUENTS; LC 50; MARINE ORGANISMS

The classical method for measuring the toxicity of a chemical to a marine organism is by the LC50 test. In this test the concentration which kills 50 percent of the test organisms in 48 or 96 hours is determined and is frequently used to set upper limits for concentrations in effluent discharge. The test can be criticized on a number of points, a) the duration of the test is too short, when effluent discharge will be continuous, b) should the organism survive the test, it may not grow and reproduce at the tested concentration and in nature the organism may avoid that concentration of chemical (important to migratory fish and shellfish), c) on the assumption that toxicity increases with temperature, summer temperatures are used in the test, whereas stress conditions may be greater at lower temperatures, d) the organisms used are frequently at high trophic levels and are adults, whereas lower trophic levels and larvae are known to be more susceptible, e) chemicals are tested singly, whereas in nature mixtures of chemicals occur. In an attempt to allay such criticisms we have used an organism of low trophic level, a bacterivorous ciliate, and have measured changes in growth rate rather than mortality as criteria of pollution. Using factorial designs and response surface analysis, experimental conditions were optimized with respect to salinity-temperature combinations. With near optimum conditions the effects of mercuric ions (HgCl2), lead ions (Pb(NO3)2) and zinc ions (ZnSO4) were tested each at three concentrations in a 3(3) factorial design. HgCl2 at an added concentration of 0.0025 ppm reduced growth rate by 9.7 percent. On mixing the chemicals, significant supplemental synergistic effects were found at all two factor and three factor combinations. Models of the effects and graphical response surface contours are given. Since many chemicals are likely to interact (supplementally or antagonistically), the method used seems of widespread relevance to toxicity testing.

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Insecticides, Polychlorinated Biphenyls, and Mercury in Wild Cormorants, Pelicans, their Eggs, Food, and Environment

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Bull. Environ. Contam. Toxicol., 9(4), 321-8; 1973

The concentration of organochlorine insecticide residues in and around Lake Poinsett, South Dakota, decreased in the order fish is greater than bottom sediments is greater than water. The levels of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) were greater in fish than in bottom sediments and the PCB levels in both bottom sediments and fish were higher than those of insecticides. Mercury residues were not detected in water, bottom sediments, or fish except carp which also had the highest levels of insecticides and PCB residues. The bodies of adult cormorants and pelicans had 250 and 280 times greater insecticide levels, respectively, than fish and 60 and 30 times, respectively, more PCB. Levels of PCB and insecticides in nestling cormorants apparently reflected the levels in local fish as both the fish and young birds had more PCB residues than insecticides whereas the opposite was true with the adults. The insecticide and PCB levels in cormorant eggs reflected body levels but in pelican eggs they did not.

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Concentration of Trace Elements (Iodine, Fluorine, Cobalt, Copper, Zinc, Manganese, and Molybdenum) in the External Environment and Food in an Endemic Goiterogenic Region of the Kuba-Khachmaz Zone of Azerbaidzhan

Grekalova, T.V.; Nauchno-Issled. Inst. Virolog. Mikrobiol. Glc. Im. Musahbekova, Baku, USSR

Azerb. Med. Zh. (AZHZA6), 50(5), 25-9; 1973

TRACE ELEMENTS; FLUORINE; MANGANESE; ZINC; COPPER; MOLYBDENUM; IODINE; COBALT; HUMANS; HEALTH; GOITER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Azerbaidzhan, Kuba-Khachmaz Zone

The content of all the trace elements examined in water resources of the zone was rather low, with fluorine greater than manganese greater than zinc greater than copper greater than molybdenum greater than iodine greater than cobalt. The intake of fluorine by humans was $1/3 - 1/4$ of the optimum concentration, that of iodine approximately $1/2$, and cobalt less than 1% of the daily requirement. The trace elements were present in soil in the following decreasing order: manganese greater than copper greater than cobalt greater than zinc greater than molybdenum greater than iodine. The content of the trace elements was also low in food products, especially of animal origin. Relatively high was, however, the content of iodine in potatoes and wheat, and that of manganese and zinc in all the examined products (except milk and cheese); rather low were the contents of cobalt, molybdenum, and copper. Children's iodine demand is satisfied only to 78.1%. Iodine, copper, molybdenum, and cobalt were considered highly deficient in this region. Prophylactics in combination with the other trace elements are proposed.

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Concentration of Some Metals in Algae from the Sea of Japan

Gryzhankova, L.N.; Saenko, G.N.; Karyakin, A.V.; Laktionova, N.V.; Inst. Geokhim. Anal. Khim. Im. Vernadskogo, Moscow, USSR

Okeanologiya (OKMOAP) 13(2), 259-63; 1973

ALGAE; METALS; MANGANESE; COPPER; IRON; SALTWATER; MARINE ALGAE; NICKEL; TITANIUM

TAXONOMY: AGARUM CRIBROSUM; ENTEROMORPHA SP; SARGASSUM PALLIDUM

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Sea of Japan

The concentration of the polyvalent metals Fe, Mn, Cu, Ni, Co, Ti, V, and Cr in 12 algae species from the Sea of Japan was studied. The studies were carried out with the aid of a 36-channel quantumeter, on red, brown, and green algae. Iron concentrations in brown and green algae was $10-2\%$, that of Mn, Ni, and Ti $10-3\%$, and Cu, Co, and Cr $10-4\%$ on a dry wt. basis. The AGARUM CRIBROSUM of the brown algae and ENTEROMORPHA species of the green algae were the strongest concentrators of polyvalent metals. Float bladders of SARGASSUM PALLIDUM were the richest in metals as compared to other parts of the algae.

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Environmental Lead in the Netherlands. A Status Report on the Overall Situation

Guicherit, R.; Res. Inst. Public Health Eng., TNO, Delft, Netherlands

Part of Proceedings of International Symposium on Environmental Health Aspects of Lead, Amsterdam, Netherlands, October 2-6, 1972, Organized jointly by Commission of the European Communities, Directorate General of Social Affairs-Health Protection Directorate and Environmental Protection Agency, EUR 5008 d-e-f. Luxembourg: Commission of the European Communities, Directorate General for Dissemination of Knowledge, Centre for Information and Documentation (26YVAJ), 807-17; 1973

LEAD; POLLUTION; AUTOMOBILE EXHAUST; ATP; WATER

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On Some Trace Metals in the Baltic

Gupta, R.S.; Institute of Oceanography,
University of Gothenburg, Sweden

Ambio, 1(6), 226-230; 1972, December

TRACE METALS; SALT WATER; MARINE LIFE; WATER
QUALITY; ZINC; COPPER; NICKEL; COBALT; IRON; LEAD

This report on the background values of trace metals in the Baltic presents the most comprehensive information available in this particular area of ecology. Prior to the investigations described here, very little data had been recorded. This project was started in January 1970 to investigate the state of some trace metals in the Baltic, their variation in space and time, and their effect on the area's marine life and water quality. The project is still in progress. Samples are obtained from an extensive network of stations in the Baltic and are analyzed by atomic absorption spectrophotometry for zinc, copper, nickel, cobalt, iron and lead. Besides presenting the data in this preliminary report, the author examines the relationship between the concentrations of some of the metals and primary production. He suggests that iron and copper concentrations seem to give a fair indication of water quality in anoxic zones. And he postulates a possible explanation for the chemistry of nickel in sea water.

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Supposed Toxicities of Marine Sediments,
Beneficial Effects of

Gustafson, J.P.

World Dredging & Marine Construction p. 44-49;
1972, DecemberTURBIDITY; WATER; CLAYS; ADSORPTION; ION
EXCHANGE; OXYGEN DEFICIENCY; CADMIUM; CHROMIUM;
LEAD; NICKEL; MERCURY; ZINC; CLAMS;
CONCENTRATION; DREDGING

This author maintains turbidity is beneficial in terms of water pollution. The suspension of clay particles promotes the absorption on the clay particles of heavy metal ions, pesticides, polychlorinated biphenyls, etc. Turbid waters offer some shelter to larval and immature marine life that use bay areas as nursery grounds. By preventing the penetration of light turbidity reduces algal growth. In any event the turbidity produced by dredging is small compared to that produced by nature. Preliminary studies showed some erratic changes but no large increase in the concentration of heavy metals in clams subjected to excessive turbidity. The author urges further studies.

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Polluted Snow in Southern Norway and the Effect
of the Melt Water on Fresh Water and Aquatic
OrganismsHagen, A.; Langeland, A.; Zool. Lab., Univ.
Oslo, Blindern/Oslo, Norway

Environ. Pollut. (EN VPAP), 5(1), 45-57; 1973

SNOW; SULFATES; NITRATES; ZINC; LEAD; MELT; FISH;
PHYSIC-CHEMISTRY; INVERTEBRATES; WATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Norway (S)

In winter, surface water in some oligo-dystrophic lakes in southern Norway differed physico-chemically from what might be expected. Analyses of snow and of ice-trapped and surface water showed that polluted snow had a considerable influence on the quality of water in lakes and brooks in the winter and spring. Great quantities of, for example, SO_4^{2-} , NO_3^- , zinc and lead were found together with high acidity. The zinc concentration and acidity found are known to be dangerous to fish. The contaminants in general have probably had a negative effect on fish and invertebrates. It is probable that oligotrophic lakes are more susceptible to contamination than dystrophic lakes.

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Significance of pH and Chloride Concentration on
Behavior of Heavy Metal Pollutants: Mercury
(II), Cadmium (II), Zinc (II), and Lead (II)

Rahne, H.C.W.; Kroontje, W.

J. Environ. Quality, 2(4), 448-50; 1973

HYDROLYSIS; SALT ACCUMULATION; WATER QUALITY; PH;
CHLORIDE; MERCURY; LEAD; CADMIUM; ZINC; COMPLEXES

Calculations were performed (1) to assess the degree to which $\text{Hg}(\text{II})$, $\text{Cd}(\text{II})$, $\text{Zn}(\text{II})$, and $\text{Pb}(\text{II})$ complex with hydroxyl and chloride ions and (2) to evaluate the significance of such complexation in natural systems. Results indicate that both the hydroxy and chloride complexes may contribute to the mobilization of these heavy metal ions in the environment. Hydrolysis of $\text{Hg}(\text{II})$ becomes important at pH values above 1 where $\text{Pb}(\text{II})$, $\text{Zn}(\text{II})$, and $\text{Cd}(\text{II})$ hydrolyze above pH 5, 7, and 8, respectively. Chlorides complex with $\text{Hg}(\text{II})$ at chloride concentrations above $10(-9)\text{M}$ ($35 \times 10(-6)\text{ppm}$). HgCl_2 forms above $10(-7.5)\text{M}$ Cl^- ($1.1 \times 10(-3)\text{ppm}$), and HgCl_3^- and HgCl_4^{2-} formation occurs above $10(-2)\text{M}$ Cl^- (350 ppm). The HCl^+ species of $\text{Zn}(\text{II})$, $\text{Cd}(\text{II})$, and $\text{Pb}(\text{II})$ appear at chloride concentrations above $10(-3)\text{M}$ (35 ppm), and MCl_2 complexes occur above $10(-2)\text{M}$ (350 ppm Cl^-). The respective MCl_3^- and MCl_4^{2-} species become important above $10(-1)\text{M}$ Cl^- (3,500 ppm). Hydrolysis and chloride complexation of these heavy metal ions are important factors affecting the solubility of the sparingly soluble salts of these metal ions. This is most pronounced for mercuric salts. Intrinsic solubilities of the metal-ion hydroxides allow for 160 ppm $\text{Zn}(\text{II})$ and 107 ppm $\text{Hg}(\text{II})$ to be soluble as complexed $\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2$ and $\text{Hg}(\text{OH})_2$, respectively. These values are higher than calculated solubilities based on solubility products. An example of the competition between hydroxy and chloride complexes shows that at pH 8.5 and a chloride concentration range of 350-60,000 ppm, $\text{Hg}(\text{II})$ and $\text{Cd}(\text{II})$ are mainly complexed by chlorides. $\text{Zn}(\text{II})$ and $\text{Pb}(\text{II})$, under these conditions, are predominantly in the form of hydroxy complexes.

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Mercury in some Swedish Lake Sediments

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Ambio, 3(1), 37-43; 1974

MERCURY; LAKES; SEDIMENTS; RELEASE; DISTRIBUTION; ADSORPTION; PH

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Sweden, Lake Ekoln, Lake Bjorken, Southern Lake Vattern

The significance of mercury as a biologically active pollutant has been recognized for more than 15 years. Increased mercury content of bottom sediments and fish characterizes many water systems as a result of industrial and other types of pollution. Due to the release from contaminated sediments, mercury may continue to contaminate the water environment, even if the discharge of the pollutant is halted. Some of the factors that influence the distribution of mercury in lake sediments are discussed and some quantitative data is given about the situation in three different Swedish lakes: Lake Ekoln, Lake Bjorken, and Southern Lake Vattern. Factors that affect the distribution are: the amount and type of mercury discharged; the size, topography, and water turnover of the lake; and the water quality of the lake (pH, nutrition, suspended and dissolved matter). Laboratory tests have indicated that the affinity and distribution of mercury (Hg^{2+}) for inorganic and organic particles show a significant pH dependency. Practically all the mercury in the sediments is adsorbed by organic particles and very little mercury is found in the interstitial water or adsorbed by inorganic materials.

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Metabolism and Metabolic Action of Lead and Other Heavy Metals

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Clin. Toxicol. (CROXAN), 6(3) 353-65; 1973

REVIEW; HEAVY METALS; METABOLISM; DISTRIBUTION; TRANSLOCATION; ANIMALS

A review with 78 references the metabolism of metal compounds their distribution and translocation in animals, and dose-response relationships of the heavy metals are covered.

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Water Quality Studied on Texas Gulf Coast

Hann, R.W., Jr.; Slowey, J.F.

World Dredging & Marine Construction, p. 30-34; 1972, December

WATER QUALITY; DREDGING; TURBIDITY; SEDIMENTS; DREDGING SPOILS; SEASONAL VARIATIONS; SPOIL DISPOSAL; RUNOFF; MERCURY; LEAD; ZINC; COPPER; CHROMIUM; CADMIUM

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (SW), Texas, Texas Gulf Coast, Houston Ship Channel, Neches River, Sabine River

Water quality problems are presented from the point of view of dredgers. Information on the heavy metal contamination of sediments in the Houston Ship Channel, Neches River and Sabine River is given. Measurements of the biochemical oxygen demand, chemical oxygen demand, oil and grease profiles and sedimentation rates are included. Problems of minimizing pollution, spoil disposal, spoil area runoff are mentioned. Professional study, evaluation and planning should precede actual dredging.

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Accumulation, Retention and Elimination of Zn 65 in Fresh Water Organisms Studied in Pond Experiments

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A pond 62 x 33 x 4 ft was lined with polyethylene sheets welded together. Water, plants and gravel were introduced and a continuous flow of untreated water from Lake Malar was arranged. One hundred small pikes and about 5000 fry of roach and perch were introduced. In all 3.27 mCi Zn 65 was gradually dosed into the water to a mean concentration of about 3×10^{-6} uCi/mg. The activity concentrations were continuously recorded in pond water, sediments, plants, invertebrates and fish. Considerable concentrations of Zn 65 were found in the bottom sediments (concentration factor: about 20,000). Zn 65 was taken up in the emergent parts of the water plants to low concentrations. The submerged parts of the plants had much higher concentrations indicating a considerable surface adsorption. Several explanations for this surface absorption are conceivable. The attached microflora and microfauna are believed to play important roles in this connection. Also in invertebrates high concentrations of Zn 65 were found. The concentration factor for chironomid larvae was 1700, for snails 590 and for leaches 400. The mean concentration factor for pike was about 1250. The variation in concentration between individual fishes was, however, considerable. It was found that the Zn 65 concentration of the fish was inversely related to its length.

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The Effect of Some Sulfur and Mercury Containing Fungicides on Bacteria

Hansen, J.C.; Institute of Hygiene, University of Aarhus, Denmark

Chemosphere No. 4, 159-162; 1972

FUNGICIDES; TOXICITY; BACTERIA; INHIBITORY EFFECTS; SOILS; MICROORGANISMS; MERCURY; MERCURIALS

TAXONOMY: PSEUDOMONAS

As a result of their use in agriculture and horticulture fungicides are introduced into both terrestrial and aquatic environments. In these ecosystems the biomass will react with the foreign compounds. To determine whether fungicides may be able to change the composition of bacterial population 11 fungicides were tested for toxicity to 211 bacterial strains. There is a marked inhibitory effect of the fungicides to bacteria. From the results it was concluded that Captan will be of no risk to a bacterial population, while the dithiocarbamates possess more pronounced antibacterial activity, especially to gram-positive organisms. Environmental pollution may thus favor higher gram-negative ratio. The same effect was seen with mercurial fungicides; some pseudomonads, especially, show remarkable resistance to mercurials and are often seen as the dominant organisms in heavily polluted sediments.

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Accumulation and Loss of Cobalt and Cesium by the Marine Clam, MYA ARENARIA, under Laboratory and Field Conditions

Harrison, P.L.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-14, 1972 (453-470), 786 p.; 1973

BIOACCUMULATION; CLAMS; COBALT; CESIUM; SALTWATER; LABORATORY STUDIES; FIELD STUDIES; MARINE BIOLOGY; COBALT 60; CESIUM 137; KINETICS; TRACERS

TAXONOMY: MYA ARENARIA

The accumulation of Co 60 and Cs 137 by clams was followed in the laboratory in aquarium systems in which the levels of radioactive and stable caesium and cobalt were held constant. At 3- to 21-day intervals during the 6-month accumulation period, groups of 8 animals were removed from the water and their soft tissues were dissected into 7 different organs and tissues. The concentrations of both Co 60 and Cs 137 in the edible tissues increased rapidly and then levelled off at concentrations of Co 60 that were about 200 times that of the water and of Cs 137 that were about 5 times that of the water. Variations in concentration among the body parts were larger for Co 60 than for Cs 137. The effect of stable element concentration in water on the accumulation rates were assessed in groups of animals maintained in seawater containing 0.5,

2.5 and 12.5 mg/litre each of stable cobalt and caesium. Little regulation of caesium accumulation was observed at these concentrations; the rates of accumulation increased with the concentration in water. Some regulation of cobalt occurred at the higher concentrations. The accumulation of Co 60 and Cs 137 was followed also in clams introduced into a discharge canal receiving radioactive waste from a boiling-water reactor. Groups of 6 animals were sampled at 3-week intervals and concentrations were measured in the pooled, total soft tissues. Results obtained in the field will be compared to those obtained in the laboratory. Loss of Co 60 and Cs 137 was followed in animals that had accumulated a radioactive burden in the laboratory and then were transferred to unfiltered oceanic water at a marine station. Loss of Co 60 by the whole clam was monophasic, that of Cs 137 was biphasic. The kinetics of accumulation and loss were described by exponential equations. The rate constants of accumulation and loss and the steady-state concentration factors are being used in models to predict the dose to man from the consumption of animals exposed to radioactive releases.

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Content of Lead and Some Other Heavy Elements in Different Fish Species From a Fjord in Western Norway

Havre, G.W.; Underdal, B.; Christiansen, C.; Vet. Coll., Oslo, Norway

Proc., Int. Symp., Environ. Health Aspects Lead (26YVAJ) 1973, 99-111; 1972

ZINC; FISH; LEAD; CADMIUM; SALTWATER

The cadmium content of fish from a Norwegian fjord near a zinc factory was greater than that of fish from the open sea. The Cd and lead content of the fish livers was approximately the same, but the Pb content of muscles from the same samples was approximately 10 times higher than the Cd content. The mean ratio of liver Pb to muscle Pb was about 6, whereas the mean liver Cd/muscle Cd ratio was about 42. A highly significant correlation was found between the Zn content and the Cd content of the liver. The Zn uptake in fish from a polluted area like this was not seriously affected, but the Pb uptake was increased greater than 10 times when the Zn and Pb outlets into the sea were nearly the same. When the outlet of Pb into the sea was greater than 100 times the outlet of Cd, the content of the 2 elements in fish liver was nearly equal, in fact slightly higher for Cd, but the content in fish muscles was about 10 times higher for Pb than for Cd.

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Cadmium Concentration in Some Fish Species from a Coastal Area in Southern Norway

Havre, G.W.; Underdal, B.; Christiansen, C.

Oikos 28 (1), 155-157; 1973

COASTAL WATERS; FRESHWATER; WATER; HERRING; PIKE; PERCH; COD; COALFISH; WHITING; CADMIUM; FISH

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Norway (S. Coast)

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The Use of Experimental Streams to Determine
Environmental Factors Responsible for the
Productivity of Aquatic Communities

Haydu, E.P.; Weyerhaeuser Company, Longview, WA

Weyerhaeuser Company, Longview, WA, report

EXPERIMENTAL STREAMS; PRODUCTIVITY; AQUATIC
COMMUNITIES; ANNUAL VARIATIONS; TROPHIC LEVELS;
SEASONAL VARIATIONS; ENERGY FLOW; WATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (WA), Washington,
Longview

Comprehensive biological studies utilizing outdoor experimental streams have been under way at Weyerhaeuser Company's St. Helens Tree Farm near Longview, Washington, since 1965. The water for these streams is furnished by a nearby spring which maintains a fairly uniform flow as well as uniform physical and chemical characteristics. The study was designed to proceed in two distinct phases: (1) develop detailed background information on the seasonal and annual variations in the physical, chemical, and biological characteristics of the streams; determine the flow of energy through the major trophic levels of the aquatic community; (2) manipulate physical, chemical and biological features of the streams to determine their effects on the composition and production of the aquatic community. Phase I is near completion and Phase II is expected to get under way by the spring of 1971. The overall purpose of the study is to develop a better understanding of the factors responsible for the production of aquatic organisms in fresh water streams in order to better protect and manage this resource. Such an understanding may make it possible to utilize man's waste discharges to surface waters advantageously by minimizing the creation of nuisance conditions while, at the same time, producing maximum beneficial levels of productivity of desirable species.

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Characteristics of the Nitrogenase System of the
Blue-Green Alga ANABAENA CYLINDRICA

Haystead, A.; Stewart, W.D.P.

Arch Microbiol 82(4), 325-336; 1972

BACTERIA; LEGUMES-D; METALLO-PROTEIN; IRON;
THIOLS; ATP; MAGNESIUM; COBALT; MANGANESE;
COPPER; ZINC; IONS; FERREDOXIN; HYDROGENASE;
NITROGEN FIXATION; PHOTOSYNTHESIS; ELECTRON
TRANSPORT; BLUE GREEN ALGAE; ALGAE

TAXONOMY: ANABAENA CYLINDRICA

The requirements for activity of blue-green algal nitrogenase have been studied. The optimal concentration ranges for ATP and $MgSO_4$ are 2-3 mM and 5-10 mM respectively. A magnesium requirement has been confirmed but the enzyme is not specific for Mg^{2+} , Co^{2+} and Mn^{2+} will also support activity but Ca^{2+} , Cu^{2+} and Zn^{2+} will not. The partially purified enzyme is soluble

and specific activities of 50-100 nmoles C_2H_4 /mg protein/min have been obtained. The biochemical characteristics of the enzyme, as determined in studies using enzyme inhibitors, are similar to those of bacterial and legume nitrogenases in that the enzyme is a metallo-protein containing iron and reduced thiol groups and the redox capacity of the enzyme involves a possible valency change in the iron. The transfer of electrons from H_2 via a bacterial hydrogenase has been shown to be mediated, at least in part, by ferredoxin. The role of ferredoxin and the interrelationships between photosynthesis, reductant pool and hydrogen metabolism are discussed in the light of recent results obtained by ourselves and other workers.

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Radionuclide Transport Studies in the Humboldt
Bay Marine Environment

Heft, R.E.; Phillips, W.A.; Ralston, H.R.;
Steele, W.A.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-14, 1972 (595-613), 786 p.; 1973

RADIONUCLIDES; TRANSPORT; MARINE BIOLOGY; NUCLEAR
POWER PLANTS; LIQUID WASTE; EFFLUENTS; SEDIMENTS;
ANALYSIS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (W), California,
Eureka, Humboldt Bay

Operation of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company nuclear power reactor (65 MW(e) boiling water) at Humboldt Bay, Eureka, California, produces as a by-product in low concentration in aqueous solution a number of radionuclides (fission products, Zn 65, Co 60, Mn 54, H 3, etc.). At irregular intervals the accumulated radioactive liquid waste is released into the Bay in accordance with limits prescribed by the Atomic Energy Commission and the State of California North Coastal Regional Water Control Board. The Lawrence Livermore Laboratory, in co-operation with the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, has undertaken a program to study the transport of the released radionuclides through the Humboldt Bay marine environment. The Bay is considered to be divided into five aqueous pools. Within each pool, the radionuclides are partitioned among some or all of the following compartments - aqueous solution, bottom sediment, suspended sediment, benthic algae, eelgrass, phytoplankton. The experimental program consists of three main parts - assay of each release for gamma-emitting radionuclides; monthly analyses for radionuclide and stable element concentration in each of the listed compartments; and intercompartment exchange rate studies. Radionuclide release data accumulated since April 1971 is compared with monthly measurements of radionuclide concentration in the Bay. It is found that the amounts released have little effect on field concentrations. Exchange study programs now being carried out in the discharge canal and laboratory are discussed. The nature and status of a proposed transport model for the Bay is described.

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Chemistry and Occurrence of Cadmium and Zinc in Surface Water and Groundwater

Hem, J.D.; U.S. Geological Survey, Menlo Park, CA 94025

Water Resources Research, 8(3), 661-669; 1972, June

CADMIUM; ZINC; SURFACE WATER; WATER; CARBONATES; HYDROXIDES; ACCUMULATION; CHROMIUM; COBALT; LEAD; MERCURY; SULFATES; SPHALERITE; PLATING; WASTE WATER; GROUND WATER; REMOVAL; SORPTION; SILICATES; ATOMIC ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S.

The median concentration of zinc in 726 filtered samples of water taken from rivers and lakes of the United States in November 1971 was close to 20 microgram/l and the median concentration of cadmium was a little below 1 microgram/l. The concentrations of both elements tended to be consistently higher in water from northeastern and southeastern states. Chemical thermodynamic calculations summarized by solubility graphs suggest that the carbonate and hydroxide solubilities of these elements are higher than the concentrations commonly found, but for 2% of 80 analyses for which chemical equilibrium computations could be made, saturation with respect to one or both of the metals was closely approached. Zinc solubility may also be controlled by silicate in some waters. Biological factors and sorption by stream sediments may also be significant controls. Concentrations of cadmium above 10 microgram/l may be stable in water having low total solute concentrations and pH and can be difficult to remove by conventional water treatment processes.

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Availability of Trace Elements to Plants with respect to Soil-Plant Interaction

Hemphill, D.B.

Part of Hopps, H.C. (Ed.), Cannon, H.L. (Ed.), Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences, Volume 199, Geochemical Environment in Relation to Health and Disease (p. 46-61); 1972, June 28

SOILS; PLANTS; TRACE ELEMENTS; AVAILABILITY; MICROORGANISMS; PH; TEMPERATURE EFFECTS; NOISTURP EFFECTS; SPECIES VARIATIONS; ORGANIC MATTER; NITROGEN; OXYGEN; ACCUMULATORS; PROSPECTING; BIOLOGICAL INDICATORS; SILICON; ALUMINUM; IRON; CALCIUM; SODIUM; POTASSIUM; MAGNESIUM; PHOSPHORUS; MANGANESE; SULFUR; CHLORINE; TIN; VANADIUM; ZINC; COPPER; COBALT; MOLYBDENUM; IODINE; DEFICIENCY; LEAVES; FERTILIZERS; TOXICITY; BANANA; CITRUS; SWEET CHERRY; RASPBERRY; CHLORINE; BORON; UPTAKE; ADSORPTION; INTERACTIONS; COMPETITION; CATION EXCHANGE CAPACITY; ROOTS; FOOT MORPHOLOGY; GENETIC CONSTITUTION; CHROMIUM; STEMS; PLANT DISEASES; CATTLE; SHEEP; ANIMALS; FORAGE; CITRUS; APPLES; APRICOT; FLUORINE; TEA; GRAPES; PONDEROSA PINE; GLADIOLI; GOITER; SALTWATER; AQUATIC PLANTS; CORN; LETTUCE; LEAD; HIGHWAYS; SHELTRES; OATS; SUGAR BEETS; ALFALFA; CABBAGE; CERFALS; PINEAPPLE; TOMATOES; SPINACH; MOLYBDENOSTS; SULFATES; SELENIUM; FRUIT TREES; PEACHES; BARLEY; RYE; WHEAT; RAGWEED; HORSETAIL; CADMIUM; RICE; VEGETABLES; RIVERS; IRRIGATION; ITAI ITAI DISEASE; MERCURY

TAXONOMY: ASPERGILLUS NIGER

The main source of major and trace elements for man and animals is plant materials. The adequacy

or deficiency of plant materials in supplying the dietary needs of animal life depends upon several factors. The concentration of all minerals in plants depends upon the interaction of the plant species with the soil and environmental conditions during growth. The total amount of an element in the soil is not necessarily a reliable guide to the amount that is available. Various extractants are used to determine available levels of elements; these tests may be well correlated with the uptake by certain species but are not valid for other species. Chemical extractants may not indicate the interactions of elements that influence availability and cannot indicate the influence of environmental factors of soil moisture and temperature. However, the genetic constitution of the plant plays a major role in mineral element uptake, and the selenium accumulator species provide an outstanding example of this genetic effect. The ability of a plant to accumulate minerals from a specific soil can be determined only by analysis of the plant parts. A detailed paper with 55 references. See keywords for items not covered in abstract.

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Contamination with Lead of Water in Eastern Belgium

Heusghem, C.; De Graeve, J.; Lab. Chim. Med. Toxicol. Hyg., Univ. Liege, Liege, Belg.

Trib. Cabedean (Cent. Belge Etude Doc. Eaux Air) 26(354), 204-15; 1973

LEAD; WATER; CONTAMINATION; UPTAKE

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Lead Content of Water Supply in East Belgium

Heusghem, C.; De Graeve, J.; Lab. Toxicol., Univ. Liege, Liege, Belgium

Part of Proceedings of International Symposium on Environmental Health Aspects of Lead, Amsterdam, Netherlands, October 2-6, 1972, organized jointly by Commission of the European Communities, Directorate General of Social Affairs-Health Protection Directorate and Environmental Protection Agency, UR 5004 d-e-f. Luxembourg: Commission of the European Communities, Directorate General for Dissemination of Knowledge, Centre for Information and Documentation (26YVAJ), 85-92; 1973

LEAD; DRINKING WATER; WATER PIPES

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Belgium, Verviers

The lead content of the drinking water of the town of Verviers (Belgium) was 1-1.5 ug/l. Lead plumbing was the main contributing factor.

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Drinking Water Contamination by Lead in Eastern Belgium

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Trib. Cabedean (Cent. Belge Etude Doc. Eaux Air) (TCBDA), 26(354) 204-15; 1973

LEAD; CONTAMINATION; DRINKING WATER; WATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Belgium

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Copper and Zinc in Estuarine Waters Near a Coal-Fired Electric Power Plant. Correlation with Oyster Greening

Hill, J.M.; Helz, G.R.; Dep. Chem., Univ. Maryland, College Park, MD

Environ. Lett. (EVLTA) 5(3), 165-70; 1973

COPPER; ZINC; ESTUARIES; COAL; POWER PLANTS; OYSTERS; BIOACCUMULATION; WATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NE), Maryland, Chalk Point Power Plant

Oysters in waters around the Chalk Point Power Plant, Maryland, accumulate copper, especially in the summer; however it appears that the power plant itself is not the primary copper source. A series of water samples collected in the summer of 1972 and analysed for both Cu and Zn reveal first, that the concentration of both metals increased during the summer, second, that this increase was greatest in bottom waters, and third, that waters near the power plant contained more copper than those elsewhere. Horizontal distribution of copper in the water agrees with the previously observed horizontal distribution of copper accumulation in oysters. The maximum Cu concentration observed in the water was 31.5 µg/l; maximum Zn was 50.4 µg/l. It is suggested that the power plant's cooling water, which contains dissolved oxygen and is chlorinated during the summer, is oxidizing metal-rich organic matter and sulfides in the sediments near the plant, releasing Cu and Zn to the water.

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The Physico-Chemical Behavior of Radioactive Cerium in Seawater

Mirano, S.; Koyanagi, T.; Saiki, N.

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PHYSICO-CHEMISTRY; RADIOACTIVITY; CERIUM; CERIUM 144; TRACERS; SALTWATER; PH

An investigation has been carried out since 1969 on the nature of chemical species and existing states of radioactive cerium in seawater by means of filtration, ion-exchange and solvent extraction with carrier-free Ce 144 as a tracer in pursuit of the physico-chemical behaviour and its effect on biological concentration. From the results of the experiments it was concluded that: radioactive cerium added into seawater exists mainly in dissolved forms and 20 - 25% of cerium becomes particulate forms having a diameter more than 0.01 µm after the aging for 40 days; almost

all of the radioactive cerium exists as ionic species in seawater or easily dissociates into ionic forms even after being associated with other anions present in seawater; although the ionic forms or easily dissociable species are the dominant existing states in the seawater with lowered pH below 4, radioactive cerium is hydrolysed slowly when the pH is greater than 6 and forms complexes by hydroxide or chloride ions in seawater or changes to polymerized forms; and it was reported that the residence time of natural cerium in the sea is about 80 years and the forms of precipitation for natural cerium is CeO₂. Therefore, it is inferred that the equilibrium between natural cerium and radioactive cerium added in seawater is achieved after a considerable time.

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Retention of Fall-Out Constituents in Upper Layers of the Pacific Ocean as Estimated from Studies of a Tuna Population

Hodge, V.F.; Polson, T.R.; Young, D.R.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-14, 1972 (263-275), 786 p.; 1973

PETITION; SALTWATER; PLUTONIUM; PLUTONIUM 239; ZINC; ZINC 65; COBALT 60; COBALT; MANGANESE 54; MANGANESE; CESIUM 137; CESIUM; ATTENUATION; FISH; TUNA; PERSISTENCE; SILVER; SILVER 108M; SILVER 110M; ALBACORE

Repeated measurements of cobalt-60, zinc-65, manganese-54, caesium-137, silver-110m, silver-108m, and plutonium-239 in several organs of albacore tuna suggest that the upper layers of the north Pacific Ocean can retain large fractions of several species of trace elements for periods of a decade or more. For example, caesium-137 concentrations in the livers and muscle tissues of North Pacific albacore caught from 1965-1971 decreased to half in about 10 years. In comparison, the reported rate of input from fall-out during this period decreased more rapidly, closer to half in one year. This suggests a strong retention of caesium-137 in the upper water masses which are accessible to the fish. It is of interest to note that long environmental persistences in the upper oceanic layers are also indicated for some other nuclides that are much more highly accumulated by organisms than is caesium. For example, cobalt-60 and silver-108m concentrations in albacore liver tissues fell to half during this period in 2.6 and 7.1 years respectively. Plutonium-239 concentrations in the livers decreased to half in about 3.5 years. The attenuation rate of zinc-65 was discontinuous between 1965 and 1968. This fact, along with observation of comparatively high ratios of zinc-65 to cobalt-60 in tunas of the southern hemisphere following 1968, suggests that new large weapons were tested that gave off relatively large amounts of zinc-65.

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Chemistry of Trace Elements in Soils with
Reference to Trace Element Concentration in Plants

Hodgson, J. P.

Part of Hemphill, Delbert D. (Ed.), Proceedings
of University of Missouri 3rd Annual Conference
on Trace Substances in Environmental Health, XIII
191 p. University of Missouri: Columbia, MO,
45-58; 1970

ROCK: CHEMISTRY: ANIMALS: LEACHING: ORGANIC
MATTER: ADSORPTION: ABSORPTION: PARTICLE SIZE
SORTING: PH: OXIDATION: BORON: IRON: MANGANESE:
COPPER: ZINC: COBALT: MOLYBDENUM: NICKEL:
CHROMIUM: SULFUR: ARSENIC: LEAD: VANADIUM:
TRACE ELEMENTS: SOILS: PLANTS: CYCLE:
ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS: BARYLLIUM: BROMINE:
CADMIUM: IODINE: STRONTIUM: AVAILABILITY: COMPLEX
FORMATION

The interrelationship in the content of trace
elements among rocks, soils, plants and animals
in any particular geographical location are
complex. The factors influencing plant elemental
composition are: 1. elemental content of rocks
that give rise to soil; 2. soil forming factors;
3. availability of elements in soil; 4. plant
interaction with its environment; and 5. the
hostility of the environment. None of these
factors can be excluded when considering the
trace element content of plants.

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Natural Dispersion of Mercury from Puhuphi,
Northland, New Zealand

Hoggins, P. P.; Brooks, P. R.; Dep. Chem.,
Biochem., Biophys., Massey Univ., Palmerston
North, N.Z.

New Zealand Journal of Marine and Freshwater Res.
(NZJMR), 7(1-2) 125-32; 1973

MERCURY: RIVERS: WATER: MOLLUSCS: DISPERSION

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: New Zealand, Northland,
Puhuphi

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Mercury in Fish and Shellfish. Review

Holden, A. V.; Freshwater Fish. Lab., Pitlochry,
Scotland

J. Food Technol. 9(1), 1-25; 1973

FISH: REVIEW: MERCURY: SHELLFISH

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Present Levels of Mercury in Man and His
Environment

Holden, A. V.

Part of Technical Report No. 137, Mercury
Contamination in Man and His Environment,
International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna,
Austria (p. 163-68), 181 p.; 1972, July

MERCURY: CONTAMINATION: HUMANS: BIRDS: FISH:
FUNGICIDES: CHLOR-ALKALI PLANTS: ELECTRICAL
APPARATUS: FOSSIL FUELS: SHELTERS: PAINTS:
CATALYSTS: PULP: PAPER MILLS: ATMOSPHERE:
MAXIMUM ACCEPTABLE CONCENTRATION: RAIN: SNOW:
RIVERS: NEUTRON ACTIVATION ANALYSIS: COLORIMETRY:
GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY: CHROMATOGRAPHY: SUSPENDED
MATTER: SALTWATER: COMPLEXES: SOILS: SEDIMENTS:

METHYLMERCURY: PLANTS: TREES: VEGETABLES:
CABBAGE: CARROTS: UPTAKE: BIOACCUMULATION: SEEDS:
GRASSES: FLOUR: RICE: TOBACCO: RESIDUES: AQUATIC
PLANTS: CONCENTRATION FACTOR: ADSORPTION: ALGAE:
INVERTEBRATES: FRUIT FLIES: EGGS: FISH: PIKE:
SHELLFISH: OYSTERS: LOBSTERS: CRAB: MUSSELS:
EUTROPHICATION: OLIGOTROPHIC: POONS: TOXICITY:
SEED DRESSINGS: FEATHERS: LIVER: KIDNEYS:
PHEASANTS: HATCHABILITY: DOT: BRAIN: DEER:
ANIMALS: RABBITS: MARTINS: SKUNKS: FOXES:
MUSKRATS: SEALS: RATS: URINE: BLOOD: HAIR:
MERCURY 203: FECES: BIOLOGICAL HALF-LIFE

Unlike many toxic substances produced
synthetically by man, mercury occurs naturally in
organic combination in living organisms. With
the addition of mercury in wastes discharged to
the environment from mining operations, by
industrial use, through the disposal of medical
preparations, or by its incorporation in
agricultural chemicals, populations of many
species of wildlife now have elevated levels of
mercury. In some areas, the original natural
levels of mercury in the flora and fauna may not
be difficult to determine. In living tissues
mercury appears to exist almost entirely as
methylmercury, probably bound to proteins.
Bacterial or enzymatic processes can convert
other inorganic or organic forms to
methylmercury. The natural mercury levels in both
fresh water and marine fish are generally less
than 0.2 mg/kg in muscle tissue, and the natural
level in birds is probably of the same order.
Most analyses of birds have, however, been made
on liver and kidney, rather than on muscle tissue
as used for field investigations on fish.
Relatively fewer uncontaminated samples of birds
have been examined. The distribution of mercury
between tissues, in fish, birds and mammals, is
such that kidneys and liver contain the highest
concentrations, those in muscle, brain and blood
being significantly lower, although this is only a
generalization. Many populations of fish and
birds examined in Scandinavia and North America,
in areas where mercury is used by industry or in
agriculture, have been found to contain
concentrations at least one order higher than the
upper limit of the estimated natural range.
Individual birds found dead, or dying in
experimental work on mercury poisoning, have
contained 30 mg/kg or more in liver.
Concentrations of a similar order have been found
in humans dying of organomercury poisoning, and
there is some evidence that marine fish found
dead off Japan contained about 20 mg/kg in muscle
tissue. The concentrations of mercury present in
some populations of birds and fish have been
found to be abnormally high as the result of
pollution but, with the exception of some species
of birds in Sweden, there is little evidence that
these elevated concentrations have as yet had any
direct toxic effect whereby the species have been
placed at risk. However, the levels sometimes
found in fish and birds may render them
unacceptable as human food. The maximum
permissible levels of mercury established in some
countries are 0.5 or 1.0 mg/kg, values only 2.5
or 5 times the approximate upper limit estimated
for many natural populations. Thus, such
populations can tolerate only small increases in
mercury concentrations if they are to remain
acceptable for human consumption.

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Migration and Redistribution of Zinc and Cadmium in Marine Estuarine System

Holmes, C.W.; Slad, P.A.; McLerran, C.J.; U.S. Geological Survey, Corpus Christi, Texas 78411

Env. Sci. Technol. 8(3), 255-259; 1974

MIGRATION; REDISTRIBUTION; ZINC; CADMIUM; SEDIMENTS; SALTWATER; ESTUARIES

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (W), Texas, Corpus Christi Bay

A survey of trace-element levels in the estuarine sediments of Texas shows that Corpus Christi Bay has anomalously high concentrations of zinc and cadmium. Maps of elemental abundance within the bay indicate large concentration gradients, the highest values being near the harbor entrance. Seasonal determinations of metal levels in the harbor and bay waters also revealed variations with time. During summer, stagnation of the harbor water increases the concentration of metals so that significant quantities precipitate in the reducing environment of the bottom water. In winter, the exchange of water between the bay and the harbor increases, and metals are redissolved from harbor deposits, washed into the bay, and adsorbed by particles settling to the bottom.

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Geochemistry and Transport of Manganese, Iron, Cobalt, Copper, Zinc, Cadmium, and Lead in the Fresh-Water and Estuarine Environments of the Big Cypress-Everglades Region of Florida

Horvath, G.J.; Florida State Univ., Tallahassee, Fla.

Univ. Microfilms, Ann Arbor, Mich., Order No. 73-25, 116, Diss. Abstr. Int. B 1973, 34(4), 1574-5

WATER; SWAMPS; ESTUARIES; GEOCHEMISTRY; MANGANESE; IRON; COBALT; COPPER; ZINC; CADMIUM; LEAD

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Accumulation of Soluble and Particulate Radionuclides by Estuarine Fish

Hoss, D.; Baptist, J.

National Marine Fisheries Service, Beaufort, NC). 1971. From 3rd national symposium on radioecology; Oak Ridge, Tennessee, USA (10 May 1971); 1971

CERIUM 144; CHROMIUM 51; ESTUARIES; FISH; RADIOECOLOGY; FOOD CHAINS; GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT; MUSCLES; RADIONUCLIDES; KINETICS; SEDIMENTS; UPTAKE; WATER; ZINC 65

A series of experiments was conducted to measure the accumulation of Zn 65 (soluble in seawater) and Ce 144 and Cr 51 (particulate in seawater) by estuarine fish, mummichog (*Fundulus heteroclitus*), flounder (*Paralichthys* sp.),

Atlantic croaker (*Micropogon undulatus*), and menhaden (*Brevoortia tyrannus*). Comparisons were made between (1) accumulation of Zn 65 and Ce 144 from food and from water, and (2) accumulation of Zn 65 and Cr 51 in the presence and absence of sediment substrate. Under experimental conditions the presence of a sediment substrate reduced the accumulation of both Zn 65 and Cr 51 by Atlantic croaker. Of the tissues analyzed, croaker muscle accumulated the least amount of both isotopes. Higher levels of Zn 65 were accumulated by mummichog from food than from water. In contrast neither mummichog nor flounder accumulated appreciable amounts of Ce 144 from food. Accumulation of Ce 144 in the gastrointestinal tract of menhaden was attributed mainly to swallowed seawater.

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Mercury Concentrations in Fish of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park

Huckabee, J.W.; Oak Ridge National Lab., Tenn.

ORNL-TM-3908, 17 p.; 1972, November

FLY ASHES; COAL; MERCURY; FISH; MERCURY POLLUTION; ATOMIC ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY; RAINBOW TROUT; BROOK TROUT; STONEWALLER; TROPHIC LEVELS; BIOCONCENTRATION; CHRONIC EXPOSURES

TAXONOMY: SALMO GAYDNERI; SALVELINUS FONTINALIS; CAMPOSTOMA ANOMALUM

Excessive mercury concentrations ostensibly due to pollution have been reported in fish tissue from Asia, North America, and Europe. However, the concentrations of mercury occurring naturally in fish tissue have not been well defined; published values range from 0.02 ppm to 0.2 ppm mercury. Organisms free from mercury pollution are difficult to find due to the wide distribution of mercury-containing fly ash deriving from the burning of coal. In order to obtain data on mercury concentrations in fish at or near natural background levels, 121 fish of three species were collected from high altitude streams 15-20 miles from the nearest fly ash or other pollution source. Mercury analysis was by flameless absorption spectrophotometry. There was no significant difference in mercury concentrations among fish analyzed whole, with gastrointestinal tract removed, or a strip of axial musculature. There was no significant difference in mercury concentration in all samples of one species and each separate sampling of one species. There was no systematic change in mercury concentration in the fish along an elevational gradient. The mercury concentration (mean values in ppm) were: rainbow trout (*SALMO GAYDNERI*), 0.036; brook trout (*SALVELINUS FONTINALIS*), 0.018; stoneroller (*CAMPOSTOMA ANOMALUM*), 0.039. There was no evidence of trophic level concentration of mercury, since the primary consumer stonerollers had a higher mean mercury concentration than the secondary consumer rainbow trout collected at the same sampling station. These results indicate that all fish acquire about the same tissue concentrations of mercury at chronic exposure to very low levels.

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Neutron Activation Analysis for Studying the Role of Humic Acids During Transport of Trace Elements in the Marine Biocycle

Huljev, D.; Strohal, P.

Part of Nuclear Activation Techniques in the Life Sciences, Vienna International Atomic Energy Agency, 1972, 385-390. From Symposium on Nuclear Activation Techniques in Life Sciences, Bled, Yugoslavia, CONF-720825; 1972, April 10

ACTIVATION ANALYSIS; ANTIMONY; CESIUM; COBALT; EUROPIUM; HUMIC ACIDS; IRON; MULTI-ELEMENT ANALYSIS; NEUTRONS; QUANTITATIVE CHEMICAL ANALYSIS; SCANDIUM; SELENIUM; SILVER; STRONTIUM; TRACE AMOUNTS; TRANSPORT; BIOCYCLE

The role of humic acids in the transport of trace elements in marine biocycle has been investigated by means of neutron activation analysis. It is a well-known fact that humic acids can accumulate certain trace elements, but little is known about their selectivity under certain physico-chemical conditions. Humic acids isolated from the North Adriatic sediments were hydrolysed to their main components, namely to amino acids, phenols, sugars and condensed benzene core. Each of the mentioned components can also fix some trace elements. Degradation of humic acids in the environment occurs by the action of microorganisms and during this step certain trace metals become available to marine animals through standard physiological processes. In this work neutron activation analysis was applied to the qualitative and quantitative determination of trace elements in humic acids of marine origin, and in their hydrolysis products. The trace elements measured were Fe, Co, Sc, Sb, Eu, Cs, Se, Ag and Sr. The concentrations obtained ranged from 10^{-2} to 10^{-8} g of a certain microconstituent per gram of sample. The results concerning the role of humic acids in the cycle of trace elements in marine biocycle are discussed. The experimental data are compared with the laboratory experiments dealing with the determination of stability constants for metal complexes of humic acids and their hydrolysis products. From these data it is possible to suggest the ecological importance of trace elements bonded to humic acids in a certain region.

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Cadmium and Zinc Toxicity and Synergism to Floating Aquatic Plants

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Water Pollution Research in Canada 1972, 59-65, Institute of Environmental Sciences and Engineering Publ. No. EI-3; 1972

CADMIUM; ZINC; TOXICITY; SYNERGISM; AQUATIC PLANTS; UPTAKE; GROWTH

Floating aquatic plants have been used in a study of the uptake, toxicity and synergism of cadmium and zinc. Both of the species used were found to accumulate the metals, from even very low levels in solution. Cadmium at 0.01 ppm had an inhibitory effect on growth; and 0.1 ppm was enough to cause death. A concentration factor of

up to 9500 times occurred; with clear implications of potential food chain effects. Interspecific competition was found to be a further factor influencing metal toxicity. Interspecific competition was found to be a further factor influencing metal toxicity. In natural "field" situations, biological competition is the norm. Cadmium and zinc acted synergistically together. Zinc markedly increased the inhibitory effect of cadmium, even though it was itself stimulatory. The presence of one metal also increased the uptake of the other. The ecological implications are discussed.

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Removal of Metal Ions and Oil from Waste Water

Ichiki, M.; Nakade, K.; Mitsui Mining and Smelting Co., Ltd.

Ger. Offen. (GWXXBX) 2313640 (C 02C), 11 p.; 1972, March

WASTE WATER; METALS; REMOVAL; CADMIUM; LEAD; OIL; ELECTROLYSIS; ALUMINUM; ZINC; ALLOY; ANODE; COAGULATION; POLYACRYLAMIDE; FLOTATION

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Determination of the Diffusion Coefficient of Radioelements in the Rhone Sediments

Ijuin, M.; Picat, P.; Saas, A.; Graubv, A.; Department of Environmental Contamination, Natl. Inst. Radiol. Sci., Chiba, Japan

Health Physics (RLTPO), 24(6), 665-672; 1973

RADIONUCLIDES; SEDIMENTS; RHONE SEDIMENTS; CERIUM 141; CESIUM 137; MANGANESE 54; STRONTIUM 85; ZINC 65; ANALYSIS; DIFFUSION; CERIUM; COBALT; CESIUM; MANGANESE; STRONTIUM; ZINC

The transfer phenomena of cerium-141, cobalt-60, cesium-137, manganese-54, strontium-85 and zinc-65 in the Rhone sediments were studied in the laboratory. The transfer of the various radioelements in the environment concerned obeys Fick's second law of diffusion. The diffusion coefficients (D) of strontium-85 and manganese-54 were determined. They are respectively 2.1×10^{-2} cm²/day and 1.1×10^{-2} cm²/day. The values of the diffusion coefficients of the other elements were not determined accurately enough due to their fixation very near the sediment bed surface. However, they are expected to follow the same diffusion law according to the experimental protocol used. The stable elements in the Rhone sediments were analysed by various spectro-photometric methods and by neutron activation.

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Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment

International Atomic Energy Agency

Proceedings of a Symposium, Seattle 10-14, July 1972, 786 pp., Vienna; Symposium on the Interactions of Radioactive Contaminants with the Constituents of the Marine Environment; 1973

RADIONUCLIDES; RADIOACTIVITY; MARINE BIOLOGY; CONTAMINATION; SALTWATER

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Result of Fluvial Zinc Pollution on the Zinc Content of Littoral and Sub-Littoral Organisms in Cardigan Bay, Wales

Ireland, M.P.; Dep. Zool., Univ. Coll. Wales, Aberystwyth/Cardiganshire, Wales

Environ. Pollut. (ENVPAF) 4(1), 27-35; 1973

ZINC; SEAWERDS; MOLLUSCS; MARINE ORGANISMS; FILTER FEEDERS; DISTRIBUTION; SALTWATER

TAXONOMY: LITTORINA LITTOREA

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Wales, Cardigan Bay

Following fluvial zinc pollution, the concentration of zinc in seaweed was related to that in the external medium, while the zinc in the mollusk *Littorina littorea* reflected that found in the food supply. An anomalous distribution of zinc in filter-feeding animals might indicate a species specificity for metal uptake.

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Distribution of Alkyl Arsenicals in Model Ecosystem

Isensee, A.P.; Kearney, P.C.; Woolson, E.A.; Jones, G.E.; Williams, V.P.; Agricultural Environmental Quality Institute, Agricultural Research Center, ARS, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Beltsville, MD 20705

Env. Sci. Tech., 7(9), 841-845; 1973, September

CARBON 14; BIOMAGNIFICATION; ALKYL ARSENICALS; MODEL ECOSYSTEM; C14-LABELED CACODYLIC ACID; DIMETHYLARSINE; DMA; FOOD CHAINS; ALGAE; SNAILS; FISH; ARSENIC; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS

TAXONOMY: DAPHNIA MAGNA

Distribution of carbon-14-labeled cacodylic acid (CA) and dimethylarsine (DMA) among aquatic organisms in a model ecosystem was studied. Fish, *DAPHNIA MAGNA*, snails, and algae were exposed to CA and DMA for 3, 29, 32, and 32 days, respectively. Lower food chain organisms (algae and *DAPHNIA*) bioaccumulated more CA and DMA than did higher food chain organisms (snails and fish). Amounts accumulated indicate that CA and DMA do not show a high potential to biomagnify in the environment. An increase in biomass (primarily algae) over 32 days largely accounted for a gradual loss of CA and DMA from solution.

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Chemical Behavior of Ruthenium-106 in Seawater and Uptake by Marine Organisms

Ishikawa, M.; Sumiya, M.; Saiki, M.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-14, 1972, (359-366), 786 p.; 1973

RUTHENIUM; CHEMISTRY; SALTWATER; MARINE BIOLOGY; PHYSICO-CHEMISTRY

TAXONOMY: MERETRIX LAMARCKI

The physico-chemical behavior of prepared ruthenium-106 chloro- and nitrosyl chloro-complex species were investigated by filter paper electrophoresis using 0.1M NaClO₄ as a supporting electrolyte. Ruthenium-106 chloro-complexes (III, IV) in a seawater system were fractionated physico-chemically into at least four "anionic", one "neutral" and one "cationic" species. The electrophoretic mobilities of fractionated ruthenium-106 species in seawater were found to be constant for the nitrosyl chloro-complexes (III) during the aging period from 2 to 240 h, but remarkable changes were observed on the electrophoretic patterns of ruthenium-106 chloro-complexes throughout the experimental periods. It appears, in both cases, that significant physicochemical changes take place within the initial stage after addition of ruthenium-106 complexes. Biological uptake experiments in clams, *MERETRIX LAMARCKI*, were carried out with electrochromatographically fractionated ionic species of ruthenium-106 nitrosyl chloro-complexes. The gill and mid-gut gland (liver) showed high concentrations for all the fractionated species. Considerable differences of concentration factors (concentration ratio) of ruthenium by clams were observed in the anionic, cationic and neutral species, i.e. the concentration factor of the cationic fraction was 10 times higher than that of the other fractions. The order of the concentration factor was as follows: "cationic" is greater greater than "neutral" is greater than "anionic" species.

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Cadmium Content and Distribution in the Mud, Blood Clams, Fish Flesh, and the Alga, *PORPHYRA TENERA*, in the Ariake Bay

Ishio, S.; Ohba, M.; Tanaka, Y.; Tadokoro, S.; Fac. Agric., Kyushu Univ., Fukuoka, Japan

Nippon Suisan Gakkaishi (NSUGAP), 39(6), 705-712; 1973

CADMIUM; CLAMS; ALGAE; TOXICITY; FISH; HUMANS

TAXONOMY: PORPHYRA TENERA

The cadmium content in the mud obtained from the Ariake Bay, Japan, was in a range from 0.4 to 15 ppm. On the basis of the maximum permissible amount of Cd intake by man, 0.3 mg/day, the intake of clams should be restricted to 90-100 g/day. No significant amount of Cd was detected in fishes. The content in dried algae (*PORPHYRA TENERA*) was in a range of 0.3-4.0 ppm, indicating that the human consumption of algae as food is not hazardous.

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Concentration of Heavy Metals in Sediment Cores from Selected Wisconsin Lakes

Inkandar, T.K.; Koene, D.R.; Department of Soil Science, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

Env. Sci. Technol., 8(2), 165-170; 1974

COPPER; ZINC; CADMIUM; LEAD; CHROMIUM; NICKEL; SEDIMENT CORES; ENRICHMENT; RUNOFF; SEWAGE; ATMOSPHERIC LOADING; LAKES; FRESHWATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. Wisconsin

The concentrations of Cu, Zn, Cd, Pb, Cr, and Ni in sediment cores from five hard-water and five soft-water lakes in Wisconsin were determined. Based on estimates of sedimentation rates, the sediment samples used for estimation of the early cultural or precultural concentrations were deposited 140 to 400 years ago. The precultural concentrations of Cu, Zn, Cd, and Pb were, in nearly all cases, less than those of postcultural and especially of modern (0-10 cm) sediments. In general, there was no significant trend in the vertical distribution of Ni, but four of the 10 lakes had accumulated Cr in recent times. The accumulation of Cu in three of the hard-water lakes investigated was related to copper sulfate (used as an algicide) input from 1919 to 1948. Surface enrichment may have been due to runoff from urban and agricultural lands and from sewage inputs. The noticeable buildup in Pb was attributed mainly to atmospheric loading.

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Removal of Heavy Metals from Aqueous Solutions

Iversen, H.L.; Rockwell International Corp.

Ger. Offen. (GMYXBX) 2316238 (C 22B), 31 Mar 1972
17 pp.; 1972, March 31

CADMIUM; REMOVAL; WATER; COPPER; MERCURY; HEAVY METALS; WASTE WATER;

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Interaction of Heavy Metallic Ions with Microorganisms

Izaki, K.; Fac. Agric., Tohoku Univ., Sendai, Japan

Seikagaku(SPIK10)45(4), 219-33; 1973

REVIEW; METALS; MICROORGANISMS; INHIBITORY EFFECTS

A review with 68 references is given on the mechanism of the inhibitory effect of heavy metal ions on microorganisms, and on the resistance of the organisms to heavy metals.

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Cadmium Content in Sea Water, Bottom Sediment, Fish, Lichen, and Elk in Finland

Jaakkola, T.; Takahashi, H.; Miettinen, J.K.

Part of Coulston, P. and Korke, F. (Eds.), Environmental Quality and Safety, Vol. 2. Global Aspects of Chemistry, Toxicology and Technology as Applied to the Environment. 18, 333 p. Georg Thieme Publishers, Stuttgart, W. Germany. Academic Press, Inc., New York, NY, p. 230-237; 1971

CADMIUM; SEDIMENTS; FISH; LICHENS; ELK; SALTWATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Finland

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Cadmium Content of Sea Water, Bottom Sediment, and Fish, and its Elimination Rate in Fish

Jaakkola, T.; Takahashi, H.; Jouninen, R.; Rissanen, K.; Miettinen, J.

Part of Radiotracer Studies of Chemical Residues in Food and Agriculture. Vienna-International Atomic Energy Agency, from Radiotracer Studies of Chemical Residues in Food and Agriculture Meeting, Vienna, Austria, October 25-29, 1971 (69-75); 1972

CADMIUM; FISH; QUANTITY RATIO; SALTWATER; SEDIMENTS; CADMIUM 115; METABOLISM; TRACER; ELIMINATION

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Influence of Lead and Other Metals on Fish Delta - Aminolevulinate Dehydrase Activity

Jackie, E.; Natl. Mar. Water Qual. Lab., U.S. Environ. Prot. Agency, West Kingston, R.I.

J. Fish Res. Board Can.(JPRBAK)30(4), 560-2; 1973

LEAD; FISH; AMINOLEVULINATE DEHYDRASE; MERCURY; FLOUNDER; SILVER; SILVER NITRATE; ENZYME ACTIVITY; CADMIUM; METALS; MUMMICHOG

TAXONOMY: FUNDULUS HETEROCLOTUS; PSEUDOPLEURONECTES AMERICANUS

The prolonged exposure of mummichog (FUNDULUS HETEROCLOTUS) and winter flounder (PSEUDOPLEURONECTES AMERICANUS) to a 50 ppm initial concentration of lead nitrate resulted in reduction of liver and kidney delta-aminolevulinic acid dehydrase activity. The 50 ppm Pb(NO3)2 concentration decreased to 0.7 ppm total Pb in 24 hr and remained at this level indefinitely. Cadmium chloride, zinc chloride, and silver nitrate all increased the enzyme activity. Prolonged exposure to 0.02 ppm mercury chloride (initial concentration) produced a marked inhibition of the enzyme activity in the early stages followed by a partial recovery. The concentration also dropped from an initial concentration of 0.02 ppm to 0.001 ppm and remained at that concentration for up to 1 week.

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A Review of Outboard Motor Effects on the Aquatic Environment

Jackiwicz, T.P.; Kuzminski, L.M.

Jour. Water Poll. Control Fed., 45, 1759; 1973

BOATS; REVIPW; MOTORS; OIL; ORGANIC COMPOUNDS; AQUATIC BIOLOGY; WATERCRAFT

Various aspects of outboard motor operation, including the magnitude of watercraft usage, operation and efficiency of a two-cycle engine, composition of outboard motor fuels, and compounds emitted during operation are reviewed. Compounds emitted to receiving waters originate from drainage of crankcase liquids and from unburned fuel passing through the combustion chamber. Over half the original fuel mixture for outboard motors may be emitted unburned into receiving waters. Factors affecting the quantity of compounds exhausted from outboard motors include horsepower rating, crankcase size, composition of fuel mixture, tuning of the engine, and speed of operation. Some of the compounds measured in water contaminated by motor exhaust include volatile and nonvolatile oil, lead, and phenols.

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Aqua Regia for Quantitative Recovery of Mercuric Sulfide from Sediments

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Environmental Science and Technology 8(3), 267-268; 1974

DIGESTION PROCEDURE; SEDIMENTS; MERCURIC SULFIDE; MERCURY; RECOVERY

A digestion procedure consisting of a 2:1 concentration of $H(2)SO(4):HNO(3)$ plus $KMnO(4)-K(2)S(2)O(8)$ oxidation to be inadequate for quantitative recovery of HgS , a Hg compound that may be present in reduced materials such as river and lake sediments and waste sludges. Since HgS or $Hg(II)$ associated with metal sulfide phases may be a significant fraction of the total Hg in these substances, incomplete dissolution of these $Hg(II)$ sulfide phases during sample digestion will cause total Hg concentrations to be underestimated. An aqua regia digestion procedure which quantitatively recovers HgS from sediments is described, and is recommended for total Hg analyses of sediments. The authors found that $KMnO(4)$ and $K(2)S(2)O(8)$ must be included with aqua regia to obtain complete recovery of five other Hg compounds implicated in Hg transformations and pollution in the environment. Monaque regia procedures being used to analyze sediments or sludges for total Hg should be tested for quantitative recovery of HgS .

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Literature of Mercury: Availability of English Translations

Jenna, K.A.; Sanders, W.

Jour. Water Poll. Control Fed., 45, 1952; 1973

BIBLIOGRAPHY; MERCURY; TRANSLATIONS

All references to published non-English language articles contained in five recent major reviews of mercury in the environment have been compiled. The availability, as of July 1, 1971, and the source of English translations is indicated in this compilation of 280 papers. Only 109 are available in English translation. A number of the references compiled are not listed in standard abstract journals and hence could not be verified. These references are primarily from the Japanese and Swedish literature.

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Problems in Lead Mining Waste Control

Jennett, J.C.; Wixson, B.C.

Water Poll. Control Assoc. J., 44(11), 2103-2110; 1972, November

LEAD; MINING; MINING WASTEWATER; WASTE CONTROL; CALCIUM; MAGNESIUM; HARDNESS; PH; AQUATIC BIOLOGY; STREAMS; PRECIPITATION; ABSORPTION; TOXICITY; LEAD; ZINC; COPPER; DIATOMS; ALGAE

TAXONOMY; SYNEURA; NAVICULA; CYMBELLA

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: USA, Missouri

Environmental problems have occurred in streams below the mines and mills of the New Lead Belt or Viburnum Trend of southeast Missouri, principally because of liquid wastes produced by the operations. Selected chemical and physical parameters were measured and evaluated: calcium, magnesium, total water hardness, pH, because these factors may affect aquatic life by the precipitation or absorption of heavy metals. No significant changes in stream water quality was observed for alkalinity, hardness, pH or DO. Previous studies of heavy metals in control streams indicated that the normal unpolluted background values for lead, zinc, and copper were in the range of 6 to 12 $\mu g/l$. Under existing conditions, any heavy metals remaining in solution from the milling process are precipitated rapidly in the settling and treatment lagoons by the slightly basic (pH 7.5 to 8.2) mine wastewater and do not pose a toxicity problem in the lagoon effluent at the present. Biological examination of water samples indicated that the three diatom genera SYNEURA, NAVICULA, and CYMBELLA were useful as biological indicators. SYNEURA and NAVICULA were tolerant of mining effluent and CYMBELLA intolerant. SYNEURA became the dominant population close to treatment discharges while CYMBELLA, abundant in control streams, almost disappeared in polluted streams. The visible prolific growth of gray-colored slime mats in the area streams was the first obvious sign of mining pollution.

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Studies on the Concentration of Iron 55 in South Pacific Ocean Water and Marine Organisms and in the Columbia River

Jennings, C.; Oregon Coll. of Education, Monmouth, Oregon

Progress Report, March 1, 1972 - November 30, 1972, Report RLO-2231-1, Contract AT (45-1)-2231, Oregon College of Education, Monmouth, Oregon; 1972

AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; RIVERS; DISTRIBUTION; FISH; FOOD CHAINS; IRON 55; QUANTITY RATIO; RADIONUCLIDES; KINETICS; SQUAW FISH; CARP; RADIONUCLIDE MIGRATION; ZINC 65; IRON; ZINC

TAXONOMY: CYPRINUS CARPIO; PTYCHOCHULAS OREGONENSE

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NW), Washington, Oregon, Columbia River, McNary Dam, Pacific Ocean

One study traced the decline of iron 55 and zinc 65 activity in Columbia River fish with time and detected the variations in the length of time for a given tissue to cycle the radionuclide out of it. The common squaw fish, PTYCHOCHULAS OREGONENSE, and the common carp, CYPRINUS CARPIO, from the collections made near the McNary Dam on the Columbia River were used. The second study dealt with the concentration of iron in Pacific Ocean organisms--pink shrimp, euphausiid, Pacific herring, anchovy. Preliminary findings indicated that iron concentrations were low in organisms in equatorial regions and higher in the temperate zones.

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Behavior of Mercury in the Environment

Jensen, S.; Jernelov, A.

Part of Technical Report No. 137, Mercury Contamination in Man and his Environment, International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna, Austria (p. 43-7), 181 p.; 1972, July

MERCURY; SEED DRESSINGS; BIRDS; INDUSTRIAL WASTES; NATURAL SOURCES; SLICIDIDES; COMPLEXES; MERCURY SULFIDE; ALKYL MERCURY; PHENYL MERCURY; ALKOXYALKYL MERCURY; METHOXYETHYL MERCURY; SOLUBILITY PRODUCT; AEROBIC; ANAEROBIC; METHYLATION; CHEMISTRY; SEDIMENTS; SUSPENDED MATTER; WATER

A discussion of the chemistry of inorganic and organic mercury compounds, and their interconversions in water sediments, etc. under aerobic and anaerobic conditions, including methylation and degradation. The mercury problem is mainly based on the occurrence of mercury in fish in the form of methylmercury, usually resulting from methylation outside the fish. Since dimethylmercury is quite volatile, it is important to know what the main result of methylation is, in monomethylmercury or dimethylmercury. The dimethylmercury may be broken down in the air and deposited with precipitation. Thus, both mercury and dimethylmercury are cycled in the atmosphere, with the latter cycle being the more important for the local contamination of organic mercurials.

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The Anifauna of Sweden as Indicators of Environmental Contamination with Mercury and Chlorinated Hydrocarbons

Jensen, S.; Johnels, A.G.; Olson, N.; Westermark, T.

Part of Proceedings of the 15th International Ornithological Congress, 455-465; 1972

BIRDS; BIRD POPULATIONS; PESTICIDES; MERCURY; CHLORINATED HYDROCARBONS; SEED EATING BIRDS; PHEASANTS; PARTRIDGES; PIGEONS; OWLS; SEASONAL VARIATIONS; SEED DRESSINGS; NEUTRON ACTIVATION ANALYSIS; FEATHERS; PREDATORY BIRDS; HISTORICAL TRENDS; ALKOXYALKYL MERCURY; PHENYL MERCURY; ALKYL MERCURY; GOSHAWK; LIVER; STARLINGS; FISH; CHLOR-ALKALI PLANTS; PULP; PAPER MILLS; OSPREY; METHYL MERCURY; GREBE; METHYLATION; PH; SOLUBILITY; GEOGRAPHIC VARIATIONS; BIOLOGICAL HALF-LIFE; DDT; POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYLS; GUILLEMOTS; FAT; EGGS; CORMORANTS; EAGLES; Mergansers; DUCKS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Sweden

The concentration of mercury and chlorinated hydrocarbons in several varieties of Swedish birds is discussed, including historical trends during this century, mostly based on feather analyses. Seasonal variations related to the use of alkylmercury seed dressings are given for some seed eating birds. The levels of mercury in fish eating birds show a more gradual rise, while that in the seed eating birds showed a very rapid rise with the use of alkylmercury seed dressings and a reduction following the ban of such dressings. Some work was done with migratory birds and inferred an environment less polluted with mercury in Africa. Some work was done on the contamination of fats and eggs by chlorinated hydrocarbons (DDT & PCBs).

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Mercury Food Chains

Jernelov, A.

Part of Hartung R. (ed.) Environmental Mercury Contamination. International Conference, 1970, Ann Arbor Science Publishing, Inc. Ann Arbor, Michigan) p. 174-177; 1972

BIOACCUMULATION; MERCURY; FISH; MICROORGANISMS; PIKE; WHITEFISH; FOOD CHAINS; METHYLATION; METHYL MERCURY; BOTTOM FAUNA; ANIMALS

In order to study the accumulation of mercury in fish, 1500 kg of northern pike were caught in heavily contaminated waters in Sweden. Fish inside the stomachs of the pike, mostly whitefish, were analyzed for mercury. Bottom fauna, on which the whitefish feed, were also analyzed for mercury. Accumulation up the food chain was observed to be 10-15% of intake at each step level. Investigation of the capacity of microorganisms in fish to methylate mercury yielded anomalous data. Subsequent findings showed that certain microorganisms which are predominant in fish slime during the late winter and early spring in Sweden have a high capacity to methylate mercury, while those present the rest of the year do not have the same capacity. Those microorganisms which methylated mercury, or which did so at a very high rate, only methylated mercury when kept on a fish extract substrate, but not when kept on a meat extract.

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Factors in the Transformation of Mercury to Methylmercury

Jernelov, A.; Inst. Water Air Pollut. Res., Stockholm, Swed.

Part of Hartung, R. (ed.) Environmental Mercury Contamination. International Conference, 1970, Ann Arbor Science Publishing, Inc. Ann Arbor, Michigan (p. 167-172), 000 1970; 1972

METHYLATION; LAKES; WATER; PHENYLMERCURY; INDUSTRIAL WATER; MUSSEL; TUBIFICID SEDIMENT; SEDIMENTS; TRANSFORMATION; MERCURY; METHYLMERCURY

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Studies in Sweden on Feasibility of Some Methods for Restoration of Mercury-Contaminated Bodies of Water

Jernelov, A.; Lann, H.; Swed. Water Air Pollut. Res. Lab., Stockholm, Swed.

Environ. Sci. Technol. (ESTHAG) 7(8), 712-18; 1973

MERCURY; WATER; METHYLMERCURY; RIVERS; LAKES; SEDIMENTS; METHYLATION; FISH; METHYLATION RATE; DREDGING; MERCURY SULFIDE; PH; ADSORPTION

Laboratory experiments and small-scale field tests have been performed to investigate some theoretically possible methods to restore mercury-contaminated lakes and rivers. Properties of the different methods with respect to practical use are discussed. The following methods have been suggested: removing of mercury deposits by dredging; converting mercury to mercuric sulfide with a low biological methylation; binding of mercury to inorganic material--such as silica minerals--to achieve low methylation; the introduction of ferric ions and manganese ions which adsorb heavy metals in the form of oxides which subsequently crystallize; covering of mercury deposits with mercury-binding or inert material, retarding the release of methylated mercury into water; increasing of pH so that the biological methylation process will produce volatile dimethyl mercury rather than monomethyl mercury.

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Mercury Accumulation in Food Chains

Jernelov, A.; Lann, H.

Oikos 22(3), 403-406; 1971

FISH; ANIMALS; MERCURY; ACCUMULATION; FOOD CHAINS

The relation between methyl mercury concentrations in the liver and in muscle of fish indicates the relation between accumulation and excretion rates of methylmercury. The total mercury content of benthic animals is of little interest when one calculates the rate of mercury transport from benthic animals to fish that feed on them. This is because the percentage of methyl mercury in the total mercury content of the benthos is generally low (much lower than the percentage in fish) and the total mercury content is quite variable. The methyl mercury transportation from benthic fauna to bottom feeding fish is evidently small. By comparing the total mercury content of the three ecological subgroups of benthic animals, it seems possible to separate situations where release of mercury prevails from situations where it has ceased.

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Biological Effects and Physical Properties in the Marine Environment of Aliphatic Chlorinated By-Products From Vinyl Chloride Production

Jernelov, A.; Rosenberg, R.; Jensen, S.; Swed. Water Air Pollut. Res. Lab., Goteborg, Swed.

Water Res. (WATRAG) 6(10), 1181-91; 1972

VINYL BYPRODUCTS; ANIMALS; EPC; TAR; SALTWATER; BIOLOGICAL EFFECTS

TAXONOMY: OPHRYOTROCHA LABRONICA; BALANUS BALANOIDES; ALLIUM CEPA

A mixture of short-chained aliphatic hydrocarbons, the so called EDC-tar, is formed as a byproduct from vinyl chloride production in quantities of approximately 75,000 tons per annum in Northern Europe. Most of this is dumped into the sea. In 1970, concentrations of EDC-tar from the North Sea were reported to be as high as 10 per cent of that causing acute toxic effects on marine organisms. This work was undertaken to find out the behavior of some components of the EDC-tar in the marine environment. Dumped into the sea, EDC-tar has a tendency to disperse and to adhere to particles. Acute toxicity of these Cl-C components, evaluated by LC50 48 h tests, was found to be approximately 2.5-9 ppm for some marine animals. Accumulation factors of between 10 and 3×10^3 were estimated for animals presented to EDC-contaminated sea water. Accumulation in cod fed with EDC-contaminated shrimp was higher in liver than in muscle. Excretion was rapid when feeding was discontinued, and the biological half-lives of the Cl-C compounds were found to be a few weeks. Sublethal EDC concentrations were found to bring about disorders in growth in the Polychaete OPHRYOTROCHA LABRONICA and to reduce swimming ability in the barnacle BALANUS BALANOIDES. In ALLIUM CEPA, c-mitotic effects of EDC-tar were observed.

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Lead Availability Related to Soil Properties and Extractable Lead

John, M.K.

J Environ. Qual. 1(3), 295-298; 1972

NICKEL; ALUMINUM; PH; SOILS; AVAILABILITY; LEAD; EXTRACTION; PLANTS; HEAVY METALS; UPTAKE; CONTAMINATION; ORGANIC MATTER; LETTUCE; OATS

TAXONOMY: LACTUCA SATIVA; Avena SATIVA

Lead content of lettuce (LACTUCA SATIVA L.) and oats (Avena SATIVA L.) was related to lead extracted from 29 contaminated soils by several different extraction procedures. Correlation studies showed that 1N nitric acid extractable lead was significantly related to lead in lettuce; however, milder extraction with 0.01N nitric acid and 1N ammonium acetate provided a better correlation with lead content of oat shoots and roots. Soil properties, particularly soil pH, were also important when attempting to predict plant lead. Lead availability was related to soil pH, extractable aluminum, and total nickel. No relationship with organic matter was observed.

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Cadmium Contamination of Soil and Its Uptake by Oats

John, M.K.; Chuah, H.H.; VanLaerhoven, C.J.;
Research Station, Canada Department of
Agriculture, Agassiz, BC, Canada

Environmental Science and Technology, 6(6),
555-557; 1972, June

SOIL; PLANTS; ROOTS; HYPERTENSION; FOODS;
FUNGICIDES; TRANSLOCATION; ABSORPTION;
DISTRIBUTION; SMELTERS; BATTERIES; CADMIUM;
CONTAMINATION; UPTAKE; OATS; ACCUMULATION;
HUMANS; SMELTERS; EMPHYSEMA; CHRONIC BRONCHITIS;
ANIMALS; PLANTS; ZINC; OIL; TIRES

The extent of cadmium contamination of soils in the lower Fraser Valley (SW, British Columbia, Canada) was evaluated. Nitric acid-soluble cadmium in the surface samples among 33 agricultural soils averaged 0.88 ppm. However, nitric acid-soluble cadmium reached as high as 9.5 ppm in a surface sample taken near a battery smelter, but this level decreased considerably with distance and depth. The effect of soil application of carbonate, nitrate, chloride, sulfate, and phosphate salts of calcium on cadmium uptake by oats was determined in a growth chamber study involving soils taken near a battery smelter and from farmland. Oats grown on the contaminated soils contained very high amounts of cadmium in the roots, with smaller amounts in the above-ground portions. Soil treatments affected the cadmium content of roots significantly but did not affect the cadmium content of tops.

262
Lead Uptake by Lettuce and Oats as Affected by Lime, Nitrogen and Sources of Lead

John, M.K.; Van Laerhoven, C.

J. Environ. Qual. 1(2), 169-171; 1972

LETTUCE; OATS; UPTAKE; LEAD; LIMING; NITROGEN;
SOILS; SULFUR; PHOSPHORUS

TAXONOMY: LACTUCA SATIVA; Avena

Uptake of lead by lettuce (LACTUCA SATIVA L.) and oats (Avena SATIVA L.) as a result of application of lime, nitrogen, and various sources of lead to the soil was studied in a growth chamber experiment. Soil application of lead increased the uptake of lead by lettuce to a greater degree than by oats. Application of lime repressed the uptake of added lead by both plants, while application of low levels of nitrogen reduced the uptake of lead by lettuce and oat roots only. Application of lead chloride lowered the amount of sulfur and phosphorus in plants, but levels of other elements studied were not affected by any lead treatment.

263
Factors Affecting Plant Uptake and Phytotoxicity of Cadmium Added to Soils

John, M.K.; VanLaerhoven, C.J.; Chuah, H.H.;
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Agriculture, Agassiz, B.C., Canada

Environ. Science and Technology, 6(12),
1005-1009; 1972, November

CADMIUM; CADMIUM CHLORIDE; SOILS; RADISHES;
LETTUCE; AVAILABILITY; EXTRACTANTS;
CONCENTRATION; NICKEL; IRON; ZINC; COPPER;

ACCUMULATION; UPTAKE; GROWTH RETARDATION;
CHLOROSIS; ATOMIC ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY;
COLORIMETRY

For a set of 30 surface soils, addition of 50 mg of cadmium, from CdCl₂, to 500 grams of soil reduced yields and sharply increased cadmium level in analyzed portions of radish and lettuce plants when compared with those plants grown on control soils. For the treated soils, plant cadmium was significantly related to cadmium extracted from soil by neutral N ammonium acetate. The N HCl and N HNO₃ extractions did not indicate plant availability but removed most of the soil cadmium. From among 18 potential independent variables, stepwise linear regressions to predict cadmium found in plant parts harvested from treated soils included a measure of the relative ability of soil to adsorb cadmium, acetate-soluble cadmium in the soil, soil reaction, and organic matter as significantly contributing independent variables. Plant cadmium levels were significantly correlated with amounts of nickel, iron, zinc and copper in the same plant portion. Results of this study indicated that the cadmium pollutant may readily be taken up from the soil and may result in potentially hazardous accumulation of cadmium in plants. Besides its effect on the cadmium levels, the treatment produced toxicity symptoms and reduced yields.

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Early Actions of Cadmium in the Rat and Domestic Fowl - VI. Testicular and Muscle Blood Flow Changes

Johnson, A.D.; Turner, P.C.

Comp. Biochem. Physiol., 41(3A), 451-6; 1972,
March 1

RATS; ANIMALS; MAMMALS; POULTRY; TESTES; BLOOD
FLOW; CADMIUM; CADMIUM CHLORIDE; ZINC; ZINC
ACETATE; HEMORRHAGE; EDEMA; SUBCUTANEOUS;
PRETREATMENT

Male rats and domestic fowl were injected subcutaneously with 0.03 μ -moles cadmium chloride (Cd)/kg body weight with some rats previously pre-treated with zinc acetate (Zn). Early relative blood flow changes were studied. In the fowl no blood flow changes were detected due to cadmium. In the rat cadmium resulted in a sharp increase in blood flow to the testis at 2.5 and 10 min after cadmium followed by a return toward normal. Zinc pre-treatment resulted in blood flow which was higher than in untreated rats. However, when this pre-treatment was followed by cadmium the sharp changes in blood flow, found in rats treated with cadmium but without zinc pretreatment, were not manifest. This also resulted in a more rapid return to control levels. Cadmium acts on the vasculature of the testis of the rat but not that of the domestic fowl and zinc pre-treatment in the rat moderates the action of cadmium on the vasculature.

265
Arsenate in the Western North Atlantic and
Adjacent Regions

Johnson, D.I.; Pilson, M.E.O.

Journal of Marine Research, 30(1), 40; 1972,
January

ARSENATES; ARSENIC; FOOD CHAINS; SALTWATER

Arsenate concentration at 24 stations in the
North Atlantic, Caribbean, and Gulf of Mexico
averaged 0.028 gram atom per liter at the surface
and 0.044 in deep water. Being chemically
similar to phosphate, it may enter the marine
food chain.

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Mercury in Marine Organisms of the Tay Region

Jones, A.M.; Jones, Y.; Stewart, W.D.P.

Nature, 238, 164-165; 1972, July 21

MERCURY; METALS; ALGAE; MOLLUSCS; ATOMIC
ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY; PLANTS; ANIMALS;
ADSORPTION; STIPE; HOLDFAST; UPTAKE; CTENIDIA;
ACCUMULATION; SALTWATER; GREY SEAL; EIDER DUCK;
BIPIDS; LIVER; KIDNEYS; PHEASANTS; CORVIDS

Mercury concentrations in marine organisms
(algae, molluscs) and in the grey seal and eider
duck were determined by atomic absorption
spectrophotometry. A few measurements on the
distribution of mercury in these organisms were
0.3 and 20.0 parts per million in dry tissue.
Plants and organisms collected at Broughty Ferry
in the Tay estuary were high in mercury but those
collected from the sea north of Arbroath
contained negligible amounts.

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Concentration of Copper, Lead, Zinc, and Cadmium
in Shallow Marine Sediments, Cardigan Bay (Wales)

Jones, A.S.; Marine Sci. Lab., Univ. Coll. North
Wales, Menai Bridge, Wales

Mar. Geol. 14(2), 41-49; 1973

SEDIMENTS; METALS; COPPER; LEAD; ZINC; CADMIUM;
SALTWATER

268
Lead Uptake from Solution by Perennial Ryegrass
and Its Transport from Roots to Shoots

Jones, L.H.; Clement, C.R.; Hopper, M.J.;
Grassland Res. Inst., Hurley/Berkshire, Engl.

Plant Soil, 38(2), 403-414; 1973

LEAD; ENGLISH RYEGRASS; TRANSLOCATION; PLANTS;
TRANSPORT; UPTAKE; ROOTS; SHOOTS

The uptake of lead by roots and its transport to
the shoots was examined with perennial ryegrass
in solution cultures. Root uptake as measured by
the decrease in concentration of lead in an
aqueous solution containing 1 mg Pb/l as lead
(NO₃)₂ was rapid, almost complete, and
unaffected by removing the shoots or killing the

roots. Lead bound in the roots was not released
by exchange with Ca or Ba ions. The distribution
of lead within the plant was examined at
intervals after a single, 3-day exposure to
various levels of lead added to a nutrient
solution. The total uptake, or lead burden,
increased with increasing rates of addition and
ranged from 281 to 9969 mg/Pb per 3 plants. The
proportion of the lead reaching the shoots at the
first harvest (7 days after adding lead) was 3.5
to 22.7 per cent of total uptake, the lower value
being for plants with the greatest burden.
Transport to the shoots continued throughout the
experimental periods of 21 and 28 days but did
not exceed 28.9 per cent of total uptake. The
concentration of lead in shoots at the first
harvest ranged from 0.2 to 58.4 ppm and that in
the corresponding roots from 5.5 to 5310 ppm. At
later harvests, and after cutting, the
concentration in the shoots decreased; an
exception was in plants with the greatest lead
burden. It is concluded that roots of actively
growing ryegrass provide a barrier which
restricts the movement of lead to the
above-ground parts of plants, and so to animals
or man.

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Molybdenum Transport in Dillon Reservoir

Jorden, R.M.

Part of Transport and the Biological Effects of
Molybdenum in the Environment, Progress Report,
January 1, 1973 (p. 64-93), 375 p.; 1973, January

MOLYBDENUM; WATER; RESERVOIRS; MASS BALANCE;
TAILING PONDS; MIXING; INTERNAL CYCLING;
STRATIFICATION; SEDIMENTS; ALGAE; CONCENTRATION
FACTOR

In April 1972, Dillon Reservoir contained some
180,000 pounds molybdenum in solution. During
May and June 1972 some 240,000 pounds molybdenum
entered the Reservoir from Ten-Mile Creek and an
additional 100 pounds each from the Snake and
Blue Rivers. This massive slug input during the
spring runoff resulted from an apparent need to
discharge waters from the tailings ponds of
Climax Molybdenum Company in order to prevent
washout, an event worthy of avoiding. By
November some 39,000 pounds molybdenum was
diverted toward Denver (in the South Platte River
drainage) and 187,000 pounds was discharged to
the Colorado River drainage. This event resulted
in an observed increase to 220,000 pounds
molybdenum in Dillon Reservoir and an indicated
12 percent bookkeeping error when comparing
deposits-withdrawals to the balance, the latter
being larger. The flow through of some 240,000
pounds into the existing 187,000 pounds of this
strategic element masked the apparent
biologically-induced-internal cycling which was
indicated the previous year.

270
Aqueous Release of Molybdenum from Non-Point and Point Sources

Jorden, R.W.; Meglen, R.R.

Part of Hemphill, D.D. (Ed.), Seventh Annual Conference on Trace Substances in Environmental Health, Held at Memorial Union, University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO, June 12-14, 1973; 1973

MOLYBDENUM; RELEASE RATES; DRAINAGE; MINING; TRANSPORT; STREAMS; WATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (SW)

The aqueous mass release rate of molybdenum per unit of drainage area (gram year⁻¹ mile⁻²) has been determined for a number of locations in Colorado and New Mexico and it has been estimated for the world. Release rates for unmined molybdenum-rich deposits in a acidic alpine environment and for non-rich alkaline environments are very similar to one another and to the world rate. However, release rates for streams draining areas of active molybdenum mining-milling exceeds the rates in unmined areas by a factor as high as 10⁴ times. A log-log fit of release rate versus drainage area vividly depicts the existence of point and non-point sources. This relationship also indicates that 10²⁵ square miles of drainage area is required to "dilute out" the elevated levels emanating from point sources in Colorado.

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Lead Inclusion Bodies in Osteoclasts

Jsu, P.S.; Krook, L.; Shively, J.W.; Duncan, J.P.; Pond, W.G.

Science 181 (498) 447-448; 1973

LEAD; OSTEOCLASTS; PIGS; NUCLEUS; INCLUSION BODIES; TOXICITY; CHRONICITY; RESORPTION; BONES; OSTEOCYTES; OSTEOLYSIS

Inclusion bodies occur frequently in the nuclei and rarely in the cytoplasm of osteoclasts in pigs with experimental lead poisoning. The light and electron microscope picture of unmineralized sections are similar to those described for liver cord cells and renal tubular cells. Intranuclear inclusion bodies occurred in abundance in liver cord cells and in renal tubular epithelium in pigs with lead in their diets; none were found in controls. Lead inclusion bodies were not observed in osteoblasts or osteocytes. Osteocytic osteolysis is the primary mechanism in bone resorption in both physiological and pathological situations. During osteolysis, the osteocyte is metabolically very active and responds quickly to lead intoxication, and with greater chronicity it dies and the dead bone tissue is resorbed by osteoclasts.

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Distribution of Chemical Elements in White Sea Deposits

Kalinenko, V.V.; Inst. Okeanol. Im. Shirshova, Moscow, USSR

Dokl. Akad. Nauk SSSR (DOKLAS), 208(4), 948-950; 1973

SEDIMENTS; TRACE ELEMENTS; ORGANIC MATTER; DISTRIBUTION

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Thiamine Pyrophosphate-Metal Ion Complexation. Equilibrium and Kinetics

Katz, R.B.; Kustin, K.; Dep. Chem., Brandeis Univ., Waltham, Mass.

Biochim. Biophys. ACTA (BBACAO), 313(2), 236-248; 1973

THIAMINE; PYROPHOSPHATE; METALS; COMPLEXES; MAGNESIUM; MANGANESE; COBALT; COPPER; ZINC

Acid dissociation constants of thiamine pyrophosphate were from pH titration data at 25 in 0.1M KNO₃. Stability constants of the metal ion-thiamine pyrophosphate complexes MTPP and MHTPP⁺, where M is Mg(2+), Mn(2+), Co(2+) were determined from pH titration data at 25 in 0.1 M Me₄NBr utilizing a Newton-Raphson algorithm to solve simultaneous mass balance equations and a reiterative nonlinear least-squares approach to compute the constants. The stabilities of these complexes did not follow the Irving-Williams order, but instead were typical of the order generally found with phosphate ligands. The kinetics of complexation of Ni(2+) and Mg(2+) with thiamine pyrophosphate were studied by the temperature-jump method. The concentration dependence of the relaxation times observed was not consistent with the common assumption that the concentration of the intermediate ion pair fulfills the steady-state conditions, but was consistent with the more general expression of the 2-step mechanism of complex formation. The results are in agreement with the rate determining loss of a water molecule from the inner coordination sphere of the metal ion. Nevertheless, for those cases in which the rate of water dissociation from the intermediate ion-pair is known experimentally, this rate invariably was slightly less than the rate of solvent exchange. This effect is examined and its implications discussed. For systems where calculation of the fraction ion-pair using experimentally determined values is possible, it can be concluded that the greater the charge at the binding site, the more predominant the inner sphere complexes.

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Absorption of Lead in Drinking Water

Kempt, T.; Inst. Wasser, Borden Lufthyg., BGA, Berlin, Ger.

Part of Proceedings of International Symposium on Environmental Health Aspects of Lead, Amsterdam, Netherlands, October 2-6, 1972. Organized jointly by Commission of the European Communities, Directorate General Social Affairs-Health Protection Directorate and Environmental Protection Agency, EUR 5008 d-e-f. Luxembourg: Commission of the European Communities, Directorate General for Dissemination of Knowledge, Centre for Information and Documentation (267VAJ), 145-54; 1973

LEAD; ABSORPTION; DRINKING WATER

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Cadmium Accrual in a Flowing Marine Microcosm

Kerfoot, W.B.

Part of Ryther, J.H., WHOI-73-2, The Use of Flowing Biological System in Aquaculture, Sewage Treatment, Pollution Assay, and Food-Chain Studies, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, January 1, 1972 - December 31, 1972, Unpublished Manuscript, 11 p.; 1972

MICROCOSMS; MARINE ORGANISMS; ACCUMULATION; CADMIUM; TRACE ELEMENTS; SEDIMENTS; OYSTERS; CLAMS; WORMS; SHRIMP; ALGAE; PHYTOPLANKTON; SHELLFISH; MATERIAL BALANCE; ECOSYSTEM ANALYSIS; CADMIUM IODIDE; PERSISTENCE; CONCENTRATION; UPTAKE; SAND; QUAGGS; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS

An experimental flowing marine microcosm has been prepared to be used for the evaluation of chronic accumulation of trace materials released into coastal waters. To test the performance of the microcosm, trace quantities of cadmium were added to the seawater flowing through compartments filled with representative samples of sediment and marine life. A material balance of the cadmium introduced into the microcosm reflects the removal of 15% of the cadmium by sediment and biota. The bulk of the retained cadmium was incorporated in the sediment (62%) and the oysters (39%). However, the greatest enrichment occurred in algae, shrimp, and sand worms. These results suggest that oysters, temporarily, and sediments, ultimately, serve as reservoirs for cadmium in the marine environment.

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The Accumulation of Metal by Organisms Cultured in a Combined Tertiary Treatment-Aquaculture System

Kerfoot, W.B.; Jacobs, S.A.

Part of Ryther, J.H., WHOI-73-2, The Use of Flowing Biological Systems in Aquaculture, Sewage Treatment, Pollution Assay, and Food-Chain Studies, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, January 1, 1972 - December 31, 1972, Unpublished Manuscript, 10 pp.; 1972

ACCUMULATION; METALS; AQUACULTURE; SEWAGE; PHYTOPLANKTON; OYSTERS; ZINC; CHROMIUM; CADMIUM; LEAD

Two studies of long-term exposure to a single effluent to assess the possibility of metal accumulation by organisms cultured in a combined tertiary treatment-aquaculture system have been

conducted. The first study used a marine microcosm wherein sewage-cultured phytoplankton were fed to oysters. In the second study shellfish cultured in large outdoor tanks were assayed for metal content. No significant increase in metal content occurred in organisms feeding on algae cultured in secondary effluent. In fact the concentration of several metals (zinc, chromium, cadmium and lead) actually decreased.

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Preliminary Cadmium Contamination of a Combined Waste Water Treatment - Aquaculture System

Kerfoot, W.B.; Jacobs, S.A.

Part of Ryther, J.H., WHOI-73-2, The Use of Flowing Biological Systems in Aquaculture, Sewage Treatment, Pollution Assay, and Food Chain Studies, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, January 1, 1972 - December 31, 1972, (Unpublished Manuscript); 1972

CADMIUM; AQUACULTURE; SEWAGE; EFFLUENTS; SHELLFISH; ALGAE; FOOD CHAINS; BIOACCUMULATION; PLANKTON; INGESTION; ABSORPTION; TRACE METALS

The use of sewage effluent as a nutrient source in aquaculture of foodstuffs for human consumption may introduce contaminants of three types into the food chain: (1) microbial; (2) organic; and (3) inorganic including trace metals. The accumulations of cadmium in shellfish in an experimental tertiary treatment-aquaculture systems was investigated. Cadmium was introduced into the food chain (1) in plankton cultures, and (2) directly into the seawater system in which the shellfish are cultured. Cadmium may be obtained by shellfish by either absorption or ingestion. Even considering the algae in which cadmium is absorbed at the highest rate, and using the highest measured percentage retention, the rate of cadmium increase due to ingestion of algae is only about 1/10 of that absorbed directly from the seawater solution at the same level of contamination.

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Mercury Content of Modern and Old Striped Bass (MORONE SAXATILIS)

Kerfoot, W.B.; White, G.G.

Part of Ryther, J.H., WHOI-73-2, The Use of Flowing Biological Systems in Aquaculture, Sewage Treatment Pollution Assay, and Food-Chain Studies, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, January 1, 1972 - December 31, 1972, Unpublished Manuscript, 13 p.; 1972

FISH; MERCURY; BASS; AGE; BIOACCUMULATION

TAXONOMY: MORONE SAXATILIS

A common marine sportfish, MORONE SAXATILIS, shows a progressive increase in mercury content with natural age. In a study of fish ranging up to 12 years of age, the mercury content of axial muscle exhibited an annual increase of .059 micrograms of mercury per gram of wet weight of tissue. The rate of accumulation was significantly higher than that observed previously in fresh water lake trout of similar sizes and ages. However, no difference in metal content was detected between present-day marine bass specimens and similar individuals from museum collections.

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Absorption of Copper Ions by *CANDIDA UTILIS* Cells

Khovrychev, M.P.; Inst. Mikrobiol., Moscow, USSR

Mikrobiologiya (MFKBA5), 42(5), 839-844; 1973

COPPER; ABSORPTION; YEAST; CUPRIC SULFATE;
YONACETATE

TAXONOMY: *CANDIDA UTILIS*

The saturation level of copper in the *C. UTILIS* cells was reached 2 hr after they were placed in a medium containing cupric sulfate (10m). A pH range of 3-7 and a temperature of 30 degrees were optimal for Cu absorption. The relation between the rate of Cu absorption and its concentration in the medium was described by the Michaelis-Menten Equation. Hg or Pb ions, iodoacetate, KCN, or 2,4-dinitrophenol at 0.1-1.0 mM inhibited the absorption of Cu. The absorbed Cu ions could be washed out of the cells by 0.1M HCl, but not by H₂O or NaCl (80mM) solution.

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Studies on the Contents of Mercury, Cadmium, Lead and Copper in Edible Seaweeds in Korea

Kim, C.Y.

Bull. Korean Fish Soc 5(3), 88-96; 1972

MERCURY; CADMIUM; LEAD; COPPER; SEaweeds;
FOODSTUFFS

TAXONOMY: *EUTROMORPHA* SP; *UNDARIA* SP; *PORPHYRA*;
LAMINARIA SP; *HIZIKIA* SP

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Seasonal Fluctuations of Ionic Copper in Knights Pond, Massachusetts

Kimball, K.D.; Dep. Zool., Univ. Massachusetts, Amherst, Mass.

Limnol. Oceanogr. (LIOCAR) 18(1), 169-72; 1973

COPPER IONS; PONDS; ZINC; SEASONAL VARIATIONS;
MUSKICHOG; CADMIUM; FRESHWATER; COPPER

TAXONOMY: *FUNDULUS HETEROCALITUS*

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NE),
Massachusetts, Knights Pond

Effects of mixtures of chloride salts of cadmium, copper and zinc on survival, whole body residues, and histopathology of muskichog, *FUNDULUS HETEROCALITUS* (L.), were investigated in synthetic seawater at 20‰ salinity and 20 degrees C. Mixtures of Cu²⁺ and Zn²⁺ as indicated by 96 h bioassay studies produced more deaths than expected on the basis of toxicities of individual components. Concentrations of Cd²⁺ not ordinarily lethal exerted a negative effect on survival of fish intoxicated by salts of copper, zinc, or both. Atomic absorption determinations of Cd, Cu, and Zn residues in muskichog which

survived 96 h exposures to each of these toxicants provided useful indices of total body burdens for these metals. Residues from survivors held in mixtures, especially Cd²⁺ and Zn²⁺ mixtures, did not conform to patterns observed for single elements. Whole body aggregates of Cd, Cu, and Zn from dead muskichogs were of limited worth owing to possible accumulation of these metals from the medium after death. Renal and lateral line canal lesions were noted in all fish subjected to copper concentrations of 1 mg/l and higher. Renal lesions observed in fish immersed in mixtures of Cu²⁺ and Cd²⁺ assumed a damage pattern characteristic of Cd²⁺; with mixtures of Cu²⁺ and Zn²⁺, lesions were typical of Cu²⁺-induced damage. Lesions induced in lateral line epithelium by Cu²⁺ were not affected by either Cd²⁺ or Zn²⁺. Epithelia lining the oral cavity were necrotized by the caustic action of high levels of Zn²⁺ (60 mg/l) and of Cu²⁺ (8 mg/l).

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Selenium Compounds in Nature and Medicine. W. Metabolism of Selenium by Plants and Microorganisms

Klayman, D.L.; Shrift, A.; Dep. Biol. Sci., State Univ. New York, Binghamton, NY

Part of Org. Selenium Compounds: Their Chem. Biol. 1973, 760-814 Klayman, D.L. (Ed.). Wiley: New York, NY; 1971, November

REVIEW: SELENIUM; METABOLISM; MEDICINE; BIOLOGY;
PLANTS; MICROORGANISMS

A review with 306 references.

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The Influence of an Industrial Plant on the Chemistry of Quaternary Waters in its Vicinity, Upper Odra River Valley

Kluczkowski, A.S.; Kowalski, J.; Inst. Hydrogeol. Eng. Geol., Acad. Min. Metall., Mickiewicza 30, Cracow, Poland

Bull. Acad. Pol. Sci. Ser. Sci. Terre 20(1), 65-70; 1972

INDUSTRY; EFFLUENTS; CHEMISTRY; WATER; RIVERS;
SULFATES; CHLORIDE; SODIUM; POTASSIUM; NITRATES;
MINERALIZATION; HYDROCHEMISTRY

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Poland, Upper Odra River Valley

From an area of 100 square km surrounding a chemical plant, more than 400 samples of water were taken in monthly series (1969-1970). In the non-isolated water-bearing horizon, marked changes in the chemical composition of water down to 15 m depth were established (SO₄, Cl, Na + K, NO₃ mineralization). This is connected with hydrochemical characteristic zonality and extension of pollution by chimney exhalations into the atmosphere and their infiltrations (S and N).

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Interaction of Temperature and Copper Ions as Orienting Stimuli on the Locomotor Behavior of the Goldfish (*CARASSIUS AURATUS*)

Kleerekoper, H.; Waxman, J.B.; Natis, J.; Dep. Biol., Texas A and M Univ., College Station, Tex.

J. Fish Res. Board Can. (JPRBAC) 30(6), 725-8; 1973

GOLDFISH; BEHAVIOR; COPPER; FISH; TEMPERATURE; AVOIDANCE

TAXONOMY: *CARASSIUS AURATUS*

Movements of single goldfish (*CARASSIUS AURATUS*) were monitored in a free choice situation comprising zones of laboratory water or copper-containing water (0.010 ppm as $CuCl_2$) each at two temperatures, $21.1 \pm .1$ and $21.5 \pm .1$ C. Fish entered the copper zone at 21.1 C significantly less frequently and spent less time there per entry as compared to the noncopper zone ("avoidance" behavior). The copper zone at 21.5 C became significantly "attractive" to the fish in terms of both frequency of entry and time spent. In the same terms, laboratory water at 21.5 C was "attractive" to the fish but became significantly more so in the presence of copper ions at the concentration of 0.010 ppm.

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Heavy Metals: Fallout Around a Power Plant

Klein, D.H.; Russell, P.; Department of Chemistry, Hope College, Holland, Mich. 49423

Environ. Sci. Tech. 7(4), 357-358; 1973

SOILS; COAL; POWER PLANTS; SILVER; CADMIUM; COBALT; CHROMIUM; COPPER; IRON; MERCURY; NICKEL; TITANIUM; ZINC; METALS; WIND PATTERNS

Soils around a coal-burning plant are enriched in Ag, Cd, Co, Cr, Cu, Fe, Hg, Ni, Ti, and Zn. Plant materials are enriched in Cd, Fe, Ni, and Zn. Soil enrichments correlate with wind patterns and with the metal content of coal except of Hg, which is only slightly enriched.

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Mercury Levels in Marine Biota

Klemer, H.; Luoma, S.W.; Lau, L.S.; Univ. Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii

Report NOAA-73022303, 3 p.; 1973, Jan.

MERCURY; MARINE BIOTA; ANIMALS; FISH; SEDIMENTS; SALTWATER; BENTHOS; TRANSPORT; FOOD CHAINS; PLANKTON; HERBIVORE; CARNIVORE; BIOACCUMULATION

Studies of Hg levels in a wide range of biota collected from a nearshore area on Kauai indicate that benthic feeders accumulate Hg better than animals feeding above the sediment-water interface. The most effective pathway of Hg transport may not be through a linear food-chain from plankton to herbivore to carnivore. Greater concentrations of Hg may be found in organisms associated with short food chains linked directly to the benthos.

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Seasonal Variations of Cadmium, Copper, Manganese, Lead, and Zinc in Water and Phytoplankton in Monterey Bay, California

Knauer, G.A.; Martin, J.H.; Hopkins Marine Station, Calif.

Limnology & Oceanography, 18(4), 597; 1973, July

PHYTOPLANKTON; SURFACE WATERS; CADMIUM; COPPER; MANGANESE; ZINC; SEASONAL VARIATIONS; SALTWATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., California, Monterey Bay

Surface water and mixed phytoplankton samples, collected over one year in Monterey Bay, Calif., were analyzed for cadmium, copper, manganese, lead, and zinc. The phytoplankton had little effect on element concentrations in water with the cadmium, however, decreased during peak periods of productivity. Generally, metal levels in nearshore surface waters depended more on hydrographical fluctuations than on biological factors. Surface water collected on a transect between Hawaii and Monterey were also analyzed for these trace metals, for inshore and offshore comparisons. Levels of copper, manganese, and zinc were usually higher inshore than offshore but those of cadmium and lead were almost always higher inshore.

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Distributions of Radionuclides in Reef Corals: Opportunity for Data Retrieval and Study of Effects.

Knutson, D.W.; Buddemeier, R.W.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-14, 1972 (735-745), 786 p.; 1973

SEASONAL VARIATIONS; NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS; AUTORADIOGRAPHY; RADIONUCLIDES; REEFS; CORAL; DISTRIBUTION; CARBON 14; DATA RETRIEVAL; STRONTIUM 90; UPTAKE; RADIOACTIVITY

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Eniwetok

Autoradiography of sectioned massive corals from Eniwetok has revealed the presence of discrete bands of radioactivity identifiable with specific nuclear test series. X-radiographs of these and other corals show structural density variations which comparison with the autoradiography demonstrates to be seasonal in nature. The coral structure thus contains a reasonably reliable internal calendar. Residual Sr 90 activities have been determined for the Eniwetok corals, and a Panning Island coral has been used to reconstruct the uptake of excess C^{14} at that location. In addition to permitting retrieval of past radionuclide concentrations as sampled by the corals, the method permits retrospective study of the organism's structural response to incorporation of the radioactivity.

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Removal of Mercury in Industrial Waste Water with Chelate Resin

Kobayashi, Y.; Tanaka, A.; Sugai, N.; Dep. Saf. Eng., Yokohama Natl. Univ., Yokohama, Japan

Bull. Fac. Eng., Yokohama Nat. Univ. (DPPTA), 22, 45-63; 1973

MERCURY; REMOVAL; WATER; RESIN; METALS; CHELATES; ADSORPTION; INDUSTRY

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Mercury-Selenium Correlations in Marine Mammals

Koeman, J.F.; Peters, W.H.M.; Koudstaal-Rol, C.H.M.; Department of Toxicology, Agricultural University, Wageningen, The Netherlands Interuniversity Reactor Institute, Delft, The Netherlands

Nature 245, 385-386; 1973

MERCURY; SELENIUM; CADMIUM; ZINC; ANTIMONY; MARINE BIOLOGY; ANIMALS; SEALS; DOLPHINS; LIVERS; SYNERGISM

Cadmium, arsenic, selenium, zinc, and antimony were measured in juvenile seals, adult seals, porpoises, bottle-nosed dolphins and dolphins. The concentration of mercury in the livers of these marine mammals seems to be strongly correlated with the concentration of selenium, but not with any of the other elements. This association may point to a protective mechanism in response to mercury incorporation by marine mammals.

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Ecological Implications of Dimethyl Mercury in an Aquatic Food Chain.; Project Completion Rept. 1

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Agency Rept No. W73-13657, OWRR-B-070-Utah (3); Proj. OWRR-B-070-Utah, 55 p.; 1973, June

WATER; ANIMALS; DIMETHYL MERCURY; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; MERCURY; FOOD CHAINS; AQUATIC ANIMALS; TOXICITY; ALGAE; FISH; DAPHNIA; MERCURY ORGANIC COMPOUNDS; MICROORGANISMS; METHYLATION

The purpose of these studies was to investigate a variety of ecologically significant interactions between dimethyl mercury and the aquatic environment in which it may be present. Laboratory studies indicate dimethyl mercury may be a major product of microbial methylation in organic mercury. The physical, chemical, and biological factors affecting the transport and food chain distribution of dimethyl mercury have remained unclear. Results are presented of laboratory studies of volatilization rates of dimethyl mercury from water as a function of temperature and mixing conditions. Absorption kinetics and equilibrium concentration of dimethyl mercury in algae, daphnia, and fish are reported. Toxicity to fish, and studies of metabolism of the compounds by microbes are discussed. Mercury-203 labeled dimethyl mercury was used in the study, and in all tests the organisms used were live counted. A unique method was developed for measuring dimethyl mercury uptake in algae. In water, dimethyl mercury was found to behave similarly to nonreactive gases such as oxygen.

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Ecological Implications of Dimethyl Mercury in an Aquatic Food Chain

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Report No. PRUG-105-2; Contract DI-18-31-0001-3659; Monitoring: 1973, June

MERCURY; DIMETHYL MERCURY; METHYLATION; ALGAE; FISH; RADIOISOTOPES; VOLATILIZATION; ADSORPTION; DESORPTION; TOXICITY; UPTAKE; KINETICS

TAXONOMY: DAPHNIA

Laboratory studies indicate dimethyl mercury may be a major product of microbial methylation of inorganic mercury. Although another methylation product, monomethyl mercury, has been extensively studied, the physical, chemical, and biological factors affecting the transport and food chain distribution of dimethyl mercury have remained unclear. This report represents results of laboratory studies of volatilization rates from water as a function of temperature and mixing conditions, uptake kinetics and equilibrium concentrations in algae, DAPHNIA, and fish, toxicity to fish, and studies of metabolism of dimethyl mercury by microbes. Mercury-203 labeled dimethyl mercury was used in the study and in all tests the organisms used were live counted. A unique method was developed for measuring dimethyl mercury uptake in algae. In water dimethyl mercury was found to behave similarly to non-reactive gases such as oxygen volatilization occurred rapidly.

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Levels of Copper and Manganese Trace Elements in River Waters, Soils, and Plants of the Southern Ukraine

Kolesnikova, V.G.; Kasatkina, L.A.; Malakhova, C.P.; Kuzychenko, V.I.; Babov, D.M.; Odess. Med. Inst. In. Piergova, Odessa, USSR

Gig. Sanit (3), 110-11; 1973

COPPER; MANGANESE; SOILS; PLANTS; RIVERS; TRACE ELEMENTS; FRESHWATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: USSR, Ukraine

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Concentrations of Five Trace Metals in the Waters and Oysters (*CRASSOSTREA VIRGINICA*) of Mobile Bay, Alabama

Kopfler, P.C.; Mayer, J.; Gulf Coast Water Supply Res. Lab., Environ. Prot. Agency, Dauphin Islands, Ala.

Proc. Nat. Shellfish. Ass. (NSWPA) 63, 27-30, 1972; 1973

TRACE ELEMENTS: CADMIUM; OYSTERS; CHROMIUM; COPPER; LEAD; ZINC; WATER; SALTWATER; FRESHWATER; RUNOFF; DISCHARGE

TAXONOMY: *CRASSOSTREA VIRGINICA*

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (S), Alabama, Mobile Bay

From January 1968 through June 1969, samples of water and oysters were collected at monthly intervals from eight locations in Mobile Bay, Alabama. These samples were analyzed for cadmium, chromium, copper, lead and zinc by atomic absorption spectrophotometry and the results analyzed statistically. Oysters from Mobile Bay contained less cadmium, copper and zinc than the average concentration reported for Atlantic Coast oysters. The concentration of chromium was approximately the same while the lead concentration was about two times that of the average value for Atlantic Coast oysters. Oysters collected from the western side of the Bay were found to contain a significantly greater concentration of copper and zinc than oysters collected from the eastern side. These differences were attributed to differences in river systems that contribute the fresh water discharge and runoff to opposite sides of the Bay. Although concentrations of the trace metals investigated were 10(%) - 10(25) higher in oysters than the concentrations in the environmental water samples, poor correlation was observed between the two sets of data.

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Arsenic Distribution in Deep Subsurface Waters of the Middle Caspian Artesian Basin

Kortenshtein, V.N.; Karaseva, A.P.; Aleshina, A.K.; Vses. Nauchno-Issled. Inst. Priir. Gazov, Moscow, USSR

Geokhimiya, (4), 612-17; 1973

ARSENIC; SUBSURFACE WATERS; ARTESIAN BASIN; WATER

The deep subsurface waters in the Jurassic and Cretaceous formations occur at a depth of 3-5 km in the southern Mangyshsk zone. The highly mineralized (10-150 g/l) subsurface waters in the carbonate-terrigenous facies are predominantly of the NaCl type with a high concentration of Br, I, B NH₄, and naphthemic acids. Results of colorimetric estimation of As (10-120 ug/l) in the waters are presented. The concentration of As tends to increase with depth. An inverse correlation exists between the As and the Cl contents.

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Uptake of Mercury by Plants and Its Distribution in Living Organisms in an Environment with Increased Concentration of this Element

Kosta, L.; Byrne, A.R.; Stegnar, P.; Zelenko, V.; "Jozef Stefan" Institute, University of Ljubljana, Yugoslavia

Part of Radiotracer Studies of Chemical Residues in Food and Agriculture. Proceedings of a Combined Panel and Research Coordination Committee, Vienna, 25-29 October 1971. International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna; 1972

ANIMALS; DISTRIBUTION; FISH; METHYLMERCURY; UPTAKE; MERCURY; PLANTS; TRANSFORMATION; BIOTA; MINING; DISTILLERY; INDUSTRY; HUMANS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Yugoslavia, Idrija

The extent of biological transformation of inorganic mercury was measured on fish at a typical inorganic source (mine and distillation plant in Idrija, Yugoslavia) using a newly developed isolation method for methyl mercury. Results are tabulated on the uptake levels and distribution of mercury in the organs of plants, animals and humans. For the latter, beard has been shown to be an advantageous indicator of the exposure.

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Mechanisms of Mercury Transformation in Bottom Sediments, Part II. Final Report.

Krenkel, P.A.; Burrows, W.D.; Shin, E.B.; Taimi, K.I.; McMullen, E.D.

Technical Report Number 32, Environmental and Water Resources Engineering, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, 319 p.; 1973, October

MERCURY; METHYLMERCURY; SEDIMENTS; TRANSFORMATION

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Mechanisms of Mercury Transformation in Bottom Sediments, Part I. Final Report

Krenkel, P.A.; Reiners, R.S.; Burrows, W.D.

Technical Report Number 31, Environmental and Water Resources Engineering, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, 383 p.; 1973, May

MERCURY; METHYLMERCURY; SEDIMENTS; TRANSFORMATION

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Aquatic Ecology

Krishnamurthy, K.; Rao, S.

BWPI 1650(Pt.2), p. 1.1-1.27; 1972, Dec.

AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; BIOLOGICAL STRESS; FISHES;
INSECTS; TEMPERATURE; ANIMALS; GROWTH;
ANTIMONIES; BACTERIA; RADIATION EFFECTS;
DOSE-RESPONSE RELATIONSHIPS; INFECTIOUS DISEASES;
RADIOACTIVE WASTES; TRITIUM; TROUT; RIVERS;
DIFFUSION; MERCURY; METABOLISM; TOXINS; UPTAKE;
BIOLOGICAL EFFECTS; GASES; LIQUID WASTES;
SYNERGISM; THERMAL POLLUTION; DISEASE RESISTANCE

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NW), Washington,
Columbia River, Priest Rapids Dam, McNary Dam,
Bonneville Dam

Mercury levels in all river and waste water samples were less than methodological sensitivity, i.e., 0.1 ug/liter (or 0.1 ppb). Sediments behind Priest Rapids, McNary, and Bonneville Dams on the Columbia River contained 0.11%, 0.33% and 0.09% ug mercury/g of sediment on a dry weight basis. Thus, McNary Dam sediments, situated below the confluences of the Yakima, Snake, and Walla Walla Rivers, contained significantly higher mercury levels than sediments behind Priest Rapids Dam, above the confluence of these rivers or Bonneville Dam, below McNary Dam.

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Mercury Residues in Fishes from Water Bodies in Tirol

Kroczi, W.; Pechlaner, H.; Wetscher, W.; Inst. Biochem., Tierärztl. Hochschule, Vienna, Austria

Wien. Tierärztl. Monatsschr. (RTHOA3), 60(5), 161-170; 1973

MERCURY; FISH

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Austria, Innsbruck, Inn River

Mean mercury contents of fish caught in Tirol were 0.3 ppm for cyprinids and 0.8 ppm (90% <0.2 ppm) for salmonids. Fish caught in the Inn River near Innsbruck and in some of its tributaries were heavily contaminated (0.5- greater than 1.0 ppm). High Hg levels were also found in fish from certain lakes, whereas levels in fish from breeding farms averaged 0.06 ppm.

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Lead, Cd, Zn, Cu, and Co in Streams and Lake Waters of Cayuga Lake Basin, New York

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Env. Sci. Technol. 8(3), 243-248; 1974

LEAD; CADMIUM; ZINC; COPPER; COBALT; LAKES;
FRESHWATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NE) New York,

Cayuga Lake, Ithaca

Waters of 12 tributary streams of Cayuga Lake were studied to determine the levels and seasonal and geographic patterns of trace elements in the Cayuga Lake basin, a primarily rural area. Trace elements in soluble form (filtered water) and in suspended particulates were studied. The trace element concentrations were generally low, but a seasonal pattern reflecting higher concentrations with high stream flow was noted in the case of Pb. Values for streams of rural areas reflect levels associated with normal geochemical processes and soil weathering. An impact of urbanization was reflected in higher levels of the trace elements in suspended particulates carried by these streams that flow through Ithaca, N.Y. A basis has been established to evaluate changes in trace element load with future changes in land use and urbanization.

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Transport of Cs 137--II Interaction with Bed Sediments

Kudo, A.; Gloyne, E.P.; Civil Engineering Department, The University of Texas at Austin, Texas, U.S.A.

Water Research, 5, 71-79; 1971

TRANSPORT; CESIUM 137; SEDIMENTS; WATER;
SORPTION; MODELS; RIVERS; FLUME; UPTAKE

The purpose of this study was to describe the transport of Cs 137 in an aqueous environment. The interaction phenomena, i.e., uptake and release of Cs 137 by sediments, were observed by using a set of flumes each 17 m in length and a model river which was 61 m long. The greatest uptake rate, K_{st} , by bed sediment was 88.7×10^{-4} ((cpm cm²-2)/(cpm cm²-3))/sec with a velocity of 0.504 m/sec (1.65 ft/sec) and a flow rate of 38.2 l/sec (0.410 cfs/ft). In this case the sediment transport rate was 117.5 g/sec (0.0795 lb/sec x ft). The uptake rate increased as the mean velocity in the channel increased. The desorption rate of Cs 137 was low, being less than 1 per cent per month for a mean flow velocity of 3.0 cm/sec. This rate was obtained in a fresh water system where the concentration of total dissolved solids was about 600 mg/l.

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Level of Metals in Cell Structures of Plants Differing by Radioresistance

Kulikov, B.N.; Cent. Asian Res. Inst. Phytopathol., Tashkent, USSR

Radiobiologiya (RADOA8), 13(5), 792-796; 1973

RADIORESISTANCE; PLANTS; CELLS; METALS;
RADIOBIOLOGY

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Lead Contamination of Snow

LaBarre, N.; Milne, J.B.; Oliver, B.G.; Water Management, Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Ottawa, Department of Chemistry, University of Ottawa, Water Quality Research Division, Department of the Environment, Ontario, Canada

Water Research, 7, 1215-1218; 1973

SNOW; LEAD; LEADED GASOLINE; GASOLINE; SEWERS; CONTAMINATION

Snow from disposal sites and along roads contained considerable lead due to the combustion of leaded gasolines by automobiles. In spite of lead concentrations up to 4330 ppm in the sample sediment, the highest concentration in the filtrates was 0.21 ppm with the average, 0.04 ppm. Thus, the dumping of snow away from water-course instead of directly into them significantly reduces lead contamination of the waters from this source.

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Laboratory Studies of the Purification Kinetics of River Water Isere by Sedimentary Suspensions. Case of ^{61}Cr , ^{59}Fe , ^{60}Co , ^{85}Sr , ^{106}Ru , ^{137}Cs , ^{141}Ce , and ^{203}Hg

Lachet, R.Z.

Radioprotection 7(3), 143-157; 1972

LABORATORY STUDIES; KINETICS; CERIUM; CESIUM; CHROMIUM; COBALT; IRON; MERCURY; PURIFICATION; RADIOISOTOPE MIGRATION; RIVERS; RUTHENIUM; SEDIMENTS; STRONTIUM; RADIOISOTOPES; CHROMIUM 61; IRON 59; COBALT 60; STRONTIUM 85; RUTHENIUM 106; EDTA; CHELATION

The kinetics of purification of water containing radionuclides by sedimentary suspension can be interpreted as a function of time by an empirical equation of the form $R=R_0(I + 1/a)^n$ where "a" and "n" are two parameters fixed by the least squares method and where "R₀" and "R" are respectively the activities of water initially and after time "t". This fit proves both satisfactory and highly significant under all studied cases: sediments: screened (fine sands or silt) or unscreened in 1 g/l or 20 g/l concentrations; Radionuclides: ^{51}Cr , ^{59}Fe , ^{60}Co , ^{85}Sr , ^{106}Ru , ^{137}Cs , ^{141}Ce , ^{203}Hg , with or without a carrier; under chloride, nitrate, citrate, acetate, nitrate-nitrosyl or EDTA forms.

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Uptake of Lead by Alfalfa and Corn from Soil and Air

Lagerwerff, J.V.; Armiger, W.H.; Specht, A.W.; U.S. Soils Lab., Beltsville, MD

Soil Sci. (SOSCAK) 115(6), 455-60; 1973

LEAD; PLANTS; SOILS; CORN; ALFALFA; UPTAKE; ABSORPTION; LINING

Growth and Pb uptake by corn and alfalfa were measured in potted Chester silt loam at two soil pH levels (5.2 and 7.2) and with HCl-extractable soil Pb levels of 12, 64, 113, and 212 ppm. Most treatments were carried out in a greenhouse. In addition to aerial Pb associated with nearby heavy traffic, fallout of particles of leaded paint constituted a contamination hazard. The control treatment of corn was carried out also at a nearby outside location, i.e., in the absence of leaded-paint particulates. While the fallout of Pb was almost three times heavier inside than outside, the aerosol Pb concentration outside was almost twice as large as the one inside. The latter was reflected by the tassels only. All other plant parts, especially in the upper plant section, reflected the heavier Pb fallout inside than outside. Generally, this is associated with higher statistical variability. The plant parts in the lower plant section distinctly reflected increases in soil Pb content. Rinsing the tops of alfalfa removed more Pb from plants growing on unlimed soil than from those on limed soil. The amount Pb so removed from the tops increased as more Pb was taken up from the soil, suggesting translocation of Pb from the roots to the tops.

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Exchange Adsorption or Precipitation of Lead in Soils Treated with Chlorides of Aluminum, Calcium, and Sodium

Lagerwerff, J.V.; Brower, D.L.; Natl. Agric. Res. Cent., Agric. Res. Serv., Beltsville, MD

Soil Sci. Soc. Amer., Proc. (SSSA8), 73(1) 11-13; 1973

ADSORPTION; PRECIPITATION; LEAD; EXCHANGE; SOILS; CHLORIDE; ALUMINUM; CALCIUM; SODIUM; PH; ALKALINITY

The exchange behavior of Pb^{2+} present in small concentrations in kaolinitic, montmorillonitic, and illitic soils pretreated with Al^{3+} or Ca^{2+} , and kept at a number of salt (Cl) levels, was in agreement with mass-action law principles. The mean values of the Gapon exchange coefficient describing the distribution of ions between the adsorbed and solution phases in Cecil, Vinson, and Yolo soils were 0.31, 0.11 and 0.24 for Pb-Al systems, and 4.13, 4.97, and 11.1 for Pb-Ca systems. In Na^+ treated, alkalinized soils, Pb precipitated. The solubility of the precipitate increased with decreasing pH and concentration of salt (NaCl). The solubility in solutions used for suspending the soil was less in the presence than in the absence of soil. This may indicate that the Pb-soil complex is less soluble than the precipitate formed in solution, so that when soil is present the composition of the precipitate shifts toward a less soluble form. This would imply a multi-component nature of the precipitate.

308 Mercury Methylation in an Aquatic Environment

Langley, R.G.; Lab. Div., T.W. Beak Consult.
Ltd., Toronto, Ont.

J. Water Pollut. Contr. Fed. (JWPPAF) 45(1),
44-51; 1973

PH; REDOX POTENTIAL; MICROORGANISMS; AQUATIC
CHEMISTRY; TRANSFORMATION; MERCURY; METHYLATION;
FISH; METHYL MERCURY

The results show that laboratory-controlled methylation studies are an excellent scientific tool that can be utilized successfully to monitor methylmercury accumulation in one important aquatic community. The results also indicate that mercury methylation depends on a number of parameters. These include temperature, pH, redox potential, microbial activity, mercury concentration, and organic concentration. Methylation of existing mercury contamination in aquatic environments is a serious hazard because under certain favorable conditions methylation can occur in sediments with fairly low mercury concentrations. This study indicates that, for practical purposes, environmental mercury methylation is too slow a process to permit a natural rehabilitation through purging of contaminated sediments. It would seem that mercury-contaminated sediments would require many decades to purge themselves to natural levels. Apart from mercury removal by dredging, which has not yet been proven successful, the approach of sealing off mercury-contaminated sediments shows promise as a rehabilitation measure and warrants further investigation.

309 Analysis of Toxic Responses in Marine Poikilotherms

LaPoche, G.; Gardner, G.R.; Eisler, R.; Jackin,
P.H.; Yevish, P.P.; Zarogian, G.E.; National
Mar. Water Qual. Lab., West Kingston, R.I.

Bioassay Tech. Environ. Chem. (26VZAG) 199-216;
1973

COPPER; ANALYSES; POIKILOTHERMS; SALTWATER;
NITRILOTRIACETATE; NTA

TAXONOMY: FUNGULUS MERCENARIA LOPHOGOBIOUS

310 Chemical Treatment of Metal-Bearing Mine Drainage

Larsen, H.P.; Shou, J.K.P.; Ross, L.W.

Jour. Water Poll. Control Fed., 45, 1682; 1973

EFFLUENTS; LIME; MINES; NEUTRALIZATION; PH;
SULFUR; COMPUTER SIMULATION; MODELING; REMOVAL

Heavy metals can be removed from mine drainage waters by a two-stage treatment process involving lime and sulfide additions. The process has been demonstrated in the laboratory and the field, using water from drainage-polluted Rocky Mountain streams. Computer simulation of the equilibrium behavior of metal hydroxides and sulfides is adequate as a predictive tool for metal removal.

311 Concentrations of Some Trace Metals in Pelagic Organisms and of Mercury in Northeast Atlantic Ocean Water

Leatherland, T.H.; Burton, J.D.; Culking, P.;
McCartney, M.J.; Morris, R.J.

Deep-Sea Res. Oceanogr. Abstr. (DROAA), 20(8),
679-685; 1973, August

ACTIVATION ANALYSIS; ANTIMONY; ARSENIC; CADMIUM;
CRUSTACEA; FISHES; MERCURY; NEUTRON BEAMS;
NUCLEAR REACTIONS; TRACE AMOUNTS; ZINC; SALTWATER

312 Arsenic in Marine Fish and Invertebrates

LeBlanc, P.J.; Jackson, A.L.; T.W. Beak
Consultants Ltd., Toronto, Ont.

Mar. Pollut. Bull. (MPMBZ), 4(6), 88-90; 1973

ARSENIC; FISH; CRUSTACEA; CRAB; INVERTEBRATES;
SALTWATER

313 Absence of Acute Effects on Threespine Sticklebacks (GASTEROSTRUS ACULEATUS) and Coho Salmon (ONCORHYNCHUS KISUTCH) Exposed to Resuspended Harbor Sediment Contaminants

LeGore, R.S.; DesVoigne, D.W.; Coll. Fish., Univ.
Washington, Seattle, Wash.

J. Fish. Res. Board Can. (JFRBAC), 30(8),
1240-1242; 1973

DREDGING; SEDIMENTS; FISH; TOXICITY; STICKLEBACK;
SALMON

TAXONOMY: GASTEROSTEUS ACULEATUS; ONCORHYNCHUS
KISUTCH

314 Effect of Copper Sulfate Algicide Doses on the Energy Metabolism of Common Carp (CYPRINUS CARPIO) and Goldfish (CARASSIUS AURATUS)

Leonte, E.; Inst. Biol. "Traian Savulescu",
Bucharest, Rome

Bul. Cercet. Piscic. (BCPCB7), 31(1-2), 137-144;
1973

COPPER SULFATE; FISH; TOXICITY; ALGICIDE;
RESPIRATION; CARP; COPPER

The O consumption of CYPRINUS CARPIO and CARASSIUS AURATUS was depressed by the presence of 0.1-0.7 mg copper sulfate/L in the waters. Death occurred at 2-20 hr, depending on the dose. The O consumption decreased steeply following the addition of CuSO₄, reaching a plateau which lasted less than 8 hr, and decreased again thereafter, leading to the death of the fish. Toxicity to fish might limit the use of CuSO₄ as an algicide.

315
Mercury in the Environment. A Global Review
Including Recent Studies in the Delaware Bay
Region

Lepple, F.K.; Delaware University, Newark,
Delaware

WIS COM-73-10620, NOAA-73040201, 76 p

MERCURY; REVIEW; SALINITY; SALTWATER; SEDIMENTS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NE), Delaware Bay

Water samples were obtained by boat and at some shore stations. Although upper Bay values are significantly higher than those in the lower portion, no simple correlation exists between total mercury content and salinity. Especially striking is the relative high concentration (0.4 to 0.6 ppb mercury) region near the center of the bay. An expected correlation between transparency (Secchi disc measurements) and sediment load was not borne out if one assumes that total mercury content is directly related to the amount of particulate matter.

316
Removal and Recovery of Heavy Metals from Waste Water

Lewandowski, R.; Etudes et Procédés
D'Assainissement Puratrr Erap

Ger. Offen. (GWXXBX) 2316047 (C 02C), 29 pp.;
1972, March

HEAVY METALS; REMOVAL; WASTE WATER; COPPER;
CADMIUM; PALLADIUM; TIN; CONSERVATION; LEAD;
CYANIDE

317
Reduction of Copper Toxicity in a Marine Copepod
by Sediment Extract ;

Lewis, A.G.; Whitfield, P.; Pannarone, A.; Inst.
Oceanogr., Univ. British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C.

Limnol. Oceanogr. (LYOCH) 18(2), 324-5; 1973

COPPER; TOXICITY; COPEPODS; SEDIMENTS; CHELATION;
SALTWATER

TAXONOMY: COPEPODA; CALANOIDA; EUCALPTA JAPONICA

Seawater extracts of marine sediments from two areas were added to copper-enriched seawater in which the prefeeding stages (egg, NI, NII) of EUCALPTA JAPONICA (Copepoda: Calanoida) were maintained. Survival with the sediment extracts was greater than without, indicating an ability of some part of the extracted material to reduce the toxicity of the copper. The effect of the extracts was compared with that of a synthetic chelating agent to provide an "equivalent" value.

318
Anomalous Arsenic Concentrations in Chautauqua Lake

Lis, S.A.; Hopke, P.F.; Dep. Chem., State Univ.
Coll., Fredonia, NY

Environ. Lett. (EVLTX) 5(1), 45-51; 1973

ARSENIC; LAKES; WATER; ANALYSIS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NE), New York
(SW) Chautauqua Lake

During a preliminary survey of Chautauqua Lake, a lake in southwestern New York State, levels of dissolved arsenic between 3.5 and 35.6 ppb were measured. Possible relationships between the arsenic concentrations and other measured parameters are presented.

319
Health Aspects of Arsenicals in the Environment

Lisella, P.S.; Long, K.R.; Scott, H.G.

Journal of Environmental Health, 34(5), 511-518;
1972, March

ARSENIC; CHEMOTHERAPY; POISONING; TOXICITY; WOOD PRESERVATIVES; SHEEP DIPS; INSECTICIDES; RODENTICIDES; HERBICIDES; SOAPS; GERMICIDES; SODIUM ARSENITE; LEAD ARSONATE; OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURES; SODIUM ARSENATE; DISODIUM METHYL SODIUM ARSONATE; DSHA; DALLIGRASS; CALCIUM ARSONATE; PREEMERGENCE HERBICIDES; CACODYLIC ACID; METHYL ARSENIC ACID; PLANTS; SILVICIDES; DEFOLIANTS; LEAD ARSENATE; BEER; SELENIUM; TOLERANCE LEVELS; PESTICIDES; CHRONIC; CANCER; CARCINOGENS; KERATOSES; TOBACCO; HAIR; LUNGS; WATER; GRASSES; LEAD; CANCER; DERMATOSES; INHALATION; INGESTION; ABSORPTION; SYMPTOMS; SULFHYDRYL GROUPS; GASTROINTESTINAL; NAUSEA; HEADACHE; VERTIGO; IRRITABILITY; ARSENIC TRIOXIDE; THERAPY; BAL; SHELLFISH; DRINKING WATER; APPLES; NAILS; SKIN; INTAKE; EXCRETION; SOILS; TRANSLOCATION; POTATO; ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES; NEUTRON ACTIVATION ANALYSIS; ATOMIC ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY; ARSENIC; WATER; FISH; SHELLFISH

A review of arsenic and its compounds as poisons and medicines. Arsenic compounds are used widely in wood preservatives, sheep dips, insecticides, herbicides, rodenticides, defoliants, etc. so more than 100 different population groups have some possibility of occupational exposure. Arsenicals may be absorbed by inhalation, ingestion or through the skin. Effects may be principally gastrointestinal disturbances or, in others, nervous manifestations (headache, vertigo, swelling in joints, restlessness, irritability, visual disturbances, etc.). Treatment of arsenic poisoning involves inducing vomiting, gastric lavage and then a saline cathartic. Intramuscular injection of dimercaprol (BAL) may be used. There is some question still unresolved, as to whether arsenic or its compounds cause cancer. They do result in dermatoses and keratoses. Arsenic combines with sulfhydryl groups so is found in hair, nails and skin as well as being eliminated in urine and feces. Small quantities of arsenic compounds may enter the diet as residues of insecticides on apples, potatoes, etc. or as residues of arsanilic acid growth additives in cattle and poultry feeds (supposed to be discontinued several days before marketing). Shellfish and fish sometimes contain measureable amounts of arsenic. Water in parts of Argentina contains enough arsenic to cause a chronic poisoning, but U.S. city water is mostly satisfactory in this respect. Methods of analysis for trace amounts of arsenic are discussed briefly.

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The State of Cobalt in Seawater and Its Uptake by Marine Organisms and Sediments

Lowman, F.G.; Tinq, R.Y.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-14, 1972 (369-383), 786 p.; 1973

AQUATIC CHEMISTRY; COBALT; UPTAKE; MARINE ORGANISMS; RADIONUCLIDES; PHYTOPLANKTON; ZOOPLANKTON; CLAMS; CRUSTACEA; TRACERS; LOBSTERS; SPECIFIC ACTIVITY; SHRIMP

Two methods, the critical pathway and the specific activity approach, have been used to predict hazards to man and other animals from the introduction of radionuclides into the marine environment. Valid application of the specific activity method is dependent upon the similarity of the physical-chemical forms of the introduced radionuclides and the corresponding natural element in the marine environment. The present work is concerned with the development of methods for investigating the chemical-physical forms of naturally occurring cobalt in seawater, the application of the methods to seawater in tropical areas and the uptake of the different forms of the element by marine organisms. Carrier-free inorganic Co 58 and Co 60 and high specific activity cyanocobalamin Co 57 were used as tracers for ionic and complexed cobalt. Stable cobalt in seawater, tagged with the ionic and complexed radionuclides, were preconcentrated by standard methods and analysed for stable and radionuclide content. The chemical yields for each form of radionuclide and the amounts of the different forms which were found in seawater are reported. Uptake of ionic and complexed cobalt by suspended and bottom sediments and by phytoplankton, zooplankton, brine shrimp, marine clams, pelagic crustacea and the spiny lobster were measured. The results show that significant errors may occur if concentration factors for marine organisms, based on comparisons of the stable element in seawater and in the living organisms, are calculated without consideration of the chemical-physical forms of the radionuclide and the natural element.

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The Toxicity of Mercury in Man and Animals

Lu, P.C.; Berteau, P.E.; Clegg, D.J.

Part of Technical Report No. 137, Mercury Contamination in Man and his Environment, International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna, Austria (p. 67-86), 181 p.; 1972, July

MERCURY; CONTAMINATION; HUMANS; ANIMALS; FOODS; FISH; ADI; METHYLMERCURY; TOXICITY; POISONING; INHALATION; BRAIN; MYOCARDIUM; LIPID SOLUBILITY; ACUTE; PNEUMONITIS; SYMPTOMS; TREMORS; CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM; PROTEINURIA; GINGIVITIS; STOMATITIS; SALIVATION; MERCURIALENTIS; HYPERSENSITIVITY; URINE; BLOOD; ABSORPTION; MERCURIC CHLORIDE; KIDNEYS; NICE; MERCURY 203; LIVER; BRAIN; PHENYLMERCURY; POULTRY; RABBITS; GUINEA PIGS; DOGS; EXCRETION; BIOLOGICAL HALF-LIFE; TOXICITY; PHEASANTS; BIRDS; CATS; REPRODUCTIVE FAILURES; TERATOGENS; MINAMATA DISEASE; ATAXIA; PLACENTA; PLACENTAL TRANSFER; SEED DRESSINGS; ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHY; HEMORRAGIA; HAIR; BLOOD; DEGRADATION

Exposure to mercury or its compounds may result in serious intoxication. It may occur among workers engaged in certain occupations or among individuals accidentally consuming grossly

contaminated food. This type of health problem is more readily identifiable and usually involves relatively small numbers of individuals. On the other hand, the potential health hazards of low levels of mercury in food is of greater concern, because the symptoms and signs of poisoning might not be readily diagnosed and because a very large number of people may be affected. It is well documented that mercury is present in different foodstuffs, although its levels vary according to the type of food, background level of mercury in the environment, etc. The health hazards involved in the consumption of such foods depend not only on the levels of mercury but also on the chemical nature of the mercury compounds because they possess different toxicities. Since it is impossible to completely eliminate mercury from our food, and because its levels vary greatly, it is imperative that appropriate tolerance levels of mercury compounds in foods be established for use by regulatory agencies in order to protect the health of the consumer. Such tolerances must be based on proper evaluation of relevant toxicological and related data. Although a considerable literature exists on mercury to date, there do not appear to be sufficient studies which permit the assessment of an acceptable daily intake (ADI) for man. This conclusion has been reached in the toxicological evaluations of organomercury compounds as assessed by the FAO/WHO Joint Meetings on Pesticide Residues in 1965, 1966 and 1967 (FAO/WHO, 1965, 1967a, 1967b) and by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives in 1966 and 1970 (FAO/WHO, 1967b, 1970). The latter, at its 1970 meeting, noted the various points of toxicological concern (epidemics of poisoning, the higher sensitivity of the foetus, the severity and persistence of central nervous system damage, and the relation between mercury exposure and chromosome breaks in lymphocytes) and urged that further work be initiated before an ADI could be established. Meanwhile, it recommended that mercury contamination from all sources should be reduced to a minimum.

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Fungicidal Activity of Some Alkyl- and Arylcarboxylatocopper(II) Complexes

Lucanska, B.; Blahova, M.; Halkova, O.; Kratsmar-Swogrovic, J.; Dep. Inorg. Org. Chem., Pharm. Fac., Bratislava, Czech.

Acta Fac. Pharm., Univ. Comeniana (AFPCAG), 24, 29-51; 1973

COPPER; COMPLEXES; FUNGICIDES

TAIONONY; SCLEROTINIA; PHYTOPHTHORA; MICROSPORIUM; TRICHOPHYTON; EPIDERMOPHYTON

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A Study of the Mercury Content of Fish from Various Sources

Luckens, R.W.

Presented at 11th Annual Meeting, Society of Toxicology, Williamsburg, VA, March 5-9, 1972, (p. 43); 1972

SEED DRESSINGS; MERCURIAL FUNGICIDES; MERCURY; FUNGICIDES; OCEANS; RIVERS; FISH; WATER; SEDIMENTS

The mercury content of fish, bottom sediments and receiving waters from various sources was determined. Fish were obtained from: farm ponds receiving drainage from fields in which crops had been grown from seeds treated with mercurial dressings; the Great Lakes; ocean fishing grounds; rivers receiving drainage from farms on which crops had been raised using seeds treated with mercurials; and rivers receiving wastes containing inorganic mercury. Total mercury content of fish tissues ranged from 0-2 ppm, and mercury content was usually related to the fish feeding habits. In addition, mercury content was not uniform throughout the entire fillet but was related to the type of musculature from which the sample was taken.

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Absorption and Metabolism of Arsenic in Fish

Lunde, G.; Cent. Inst. Ind. Res., Blindern/Oslo, Norway

Fiskeridir. (Norway) Skr., Ser. Teknol. Unders. (PSTUAW) 5(1-2), 16 p.; 1972

ARSENIC; METABOLISM; RAINBOW TROUT; EYES; GILLS; ABSORPTION; FISH; MICROORGANISMS

On the basis of the results obtained during these experiments it can be concluded that fish are able to synthesize both fat soluble and water soluble arseno organic compounds from the inorganic arsenic in the feed eaten by the fish. However, this inorganic arsenic plays an insignificant role as source for the organic bound arsenic found in fish. The major part is supplied as already synthesized arseno organic compounds, from lower stages in the marine food chain. An accumulation of arseno organic compounds in specific organs shows that the compounds may possibly have a significance for fish. It is proposed that this may be as a bacteriostatic agent which acts to protect those regions of fish which are especially vulnerable to attack from microorganisms. Inorganic arsenic present in the water will also be absorbed by the fish, but neither water soluble nor lipid soluble arseno organic compounds could be detected by the available methods used in this investigation.

325

The Synthesis of Fat and Water Soluble Arseno Organic Compounds in Marine and Limnetic Algae

Lunde, G.; Central Institute for Industrial Research, Oslo 3, Norway

Acta Chemica Scandinavica 27, 1586-1594; 1973

BIOSYNTHESIS; FAT; SOLUBILITY; LIPIDS; ARSENIC; ARSENIC-ORGANIC COMPOUNDS; MARINE BIOLOGY; LIMNOLOGY; LAKES; SALTWATER; ALGAE

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Trace Metal Contents of Fish Meal and of the Lipid Phase Extracted from Fish Meal

Lunde, G.; Cent. Inst. Ind. Res., Blindern/Oslo, Norway

J. Sci. Food Agr. (JSPAAE), 24(4), 413-419; 1973

LIPIDS; FISH; TRACE ELEMENTS; SELENIUM; FISH OILS; FISH MEAL

327

Analysis of Trace Elements, Phosphorus, and Sulfur, in the Lipid and the Non-lipid Phase of Halibut (*Hippoglossus hippoglossus*) and Tunny (*Thunnus thynnus*)

Lunde, G.; Cent. Inst. Ind. Res., Oslo, Norway

J. Sci. Food Agr. 24(9), 1029-38; 1973

TUNA; HALIBUT; TRACE ELEMENTS; PHOSPHORUS; SULFUR; LIPID; FISH; TUNNY; ANALYSIS

TAXONOMY: HIPPOGLOSSUS HIPPOGLOSSUS; THUNNUS THYNNUS

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Temperature Effects on Mercury Accumulation, Toxicity, and Metabolic Rate in Rainbow Trout (*Salmo gairdneri*)

MacLeod, J.C.; Pessah, E.; Freshwater Inst., Fish Res. Board Canada, Winnipeg, Manitoba

J. Fish Res. Board Can. (JFRBAK) 30(4), 485-92; 1973

PHENYLMERCURIC ACETATE; MERCURIC CHLORIDE; BIOACCUMULATION; MERCURY; TOXICITY; FISH; METABOLISM; TEMPERATURE; MEDIAN TOLERANCE LIMIT, TLM

TAXONOMY: SALMO GAIRDNERI

The toxicity of Hg in rainbow trout fingerlings was related to temperature and chemical formulation of the Hg at 10 deg. C, the 24-hr TLM concentration (Median tolerance limit) for mercuric chloride was approximately 30 times that for phenylmercuric acetate. The 96 hr TLM values for HgCl₂ at 5, 10, and 20 degrees were 0.40, 0.28, and 0.22 mg/hg/l. The velocity of mortality was also linearly related to temperature, and temperature directly affected the accumulation of Hg in the fish muscle. The active metabolic rate, increased by higher temperatures, was depressed by HgCl₂, and higher temperatures augmented the depressant effect.

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Toxicity of Lead Nitrate to Algae

Malanchuk, J.L.; Grenending, G.K.; Dep. Biol. Sci., State Univ. Coll., Plattsburgh, NY

Water, Air, Soil Pollut. (WASPLAC), 2(2), 181-190; 1973

LEAD; NITRATES; TOXICITY; ALGAE

TAXONOMY: COSMARION; ANABAENA; CHLAMYDOMONAS; NAVICULA; OCHROMONAS

Lead nitrate was toxic to 4 species of fresh water algae grown in low salt medium approximating the salt concentration of natural aquatic environments. ED50 (concentration causing a 50% reduction in CO2 fixation compared with controls after 24-hr exposure) values of 5 ppm Pb for COSMARION BOTRYTIS and 15-18 ppm Pb for ANABAENA SP., CHLAMYDOMONAS REINHARDTII, and NAVICULA PELLICULOSA were calculated for 1-2 ml samples containing 0.12-0.54 mg dry cell wt./ml. the high surface: vol. ratio for C. BOTRYTIS may account for its increased sensitivity. Concentrations of Pb(II) 2 up to 30 ppm did not inhibit CO2 fixation in OCHROMONAS MALHAMENSIS, but produced a concentration dependent increase in CO2 fixation.

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Copper Micronutrient Requirement for Algae

Manahan, S.P.; Smith, W.J.; Dep. Chem., Univ. Missouri, Columbia, MO

Environ. Sci. Technol. (ESTHAG), 7(9), 829-833; 1973

ALGAE; COPPER; NUTRITION

TAXONOMY: CHLORELLA; OOCYSTIS

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Heavy Metal Ion Interaction and Transport with Synthetic Complexing Agents and Detergent Phosphate Substitutes in Aquatic Systems; Completion Sept 1 Jul 7 1-30

Manahan, S.P.; Smith, W.J.; Missouri Water Resources Research Center, Rolla

Missouri Water Resources Research Center, Rolla; PB 213 252/0; Contract DA-14-01-0001-3525; Monitoring Agency Rept No. W73-02112, ONRR-A-049-RO(1); Proj ONRR-A-049-RO; 198 p.; 1972, August

ION SELECTIVE ELECTRODES; WATER; POLLUTION EFFECTS; PLANTS; ALGAL GROWTH; DETECTION; PCTPLT COMPUTER PROGRAM; FORTRAN 4 PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE; DETERGENTS; ALGAE; NUTRIENTS; COPPER; WATER ANALYSIS; EDTA; CHELATION; TRACE ELEMENTS; CHLORELLA; ELECTRODES; BUFFERS; CHEMISTRY; CALIBRATION; LEAST SQUARES METHOD; COMPUTER PROGRAMS; POTENTIOMETRIC ANALYSIS; FORTRAN

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Chelation and Olation Reactions of Metal Ions in Aqueous Solution. Final Report.

Martell, A.E.; Texas Agricultural and Mechanical Univ., College Station. Dept. of Chemistry

Texas Agricultural and Mechanical Univ., College Station. Dept. of Chemistry, Contract AT (40-1)-3621; ORO--3621-19; 1973, June 15

AQUEOUS SOLUTIONS; CALCIUM; COMPLEXES; CHELATES; CHEMICAL REACTIONS; OALTION; COPPER NICKEL; POLYMERIZATION; THORIUM; URANIUM; URANYL COMPOUNDS

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Chelation and Olation Reactions of Metal Ions in Aqueous Colugition

Martell, A.E.; Texas Agricultural and Mechanical Univ., College Station. Dept. of Chemistry

ORO-3621-19, Contract AT(40-1)-3621, 7 p.

A summary of work performed during a five-year contract period is presented. Four areas of general study include the chelation and olation of metal ions, new multidentate ligands, mixed ligand chelates, and the structure determination of metal chelates in solution. Papers that have been published are listed.

334

Elemental Composition of Plankton

Martin, J.H.; Knauer, G.A.; Hopkins Mar. Stn., Stanford Univ., Pacific Grove, California

Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta 37(7), 1639-53; 1973

PLANKTON; MINERALS; TRACE ELEMENTS

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Mercury Uptake by Poly Amine-Carbohydrates

Masri, M.S.; Friedman, M.

Environ. Sci. Technol., 6(8), 745-746; 1972

UPTAKE; POTATO; CHITOSAN; STARCH; CELLULOSE; DISTRIBUTION; MERCURY; POLYAMINES; NITROGEN; MERCURIC CHLORIDE

Chitosan (deacetylated chitin), other polyamines derived from cellulose, polyamines derived from dialdehyde starch, and poly (aminostyrene) bind mercury in large amounts from water solutions of HgCl2. In contrast, unmodified starch and cellulose adsorb very little mercury, while chitin (with acetylamin groups) binds much less than chitosan. In several instances the adsorbents bound more than one atom of mercury per nitrogen and more than their own weight of mercury. These results show that amino groups in natural and synthetic polymers are effective binding sites for mercuric chloride and point first to the possible utility of such polymers as adsorbents for mercury, and second, to the possible role of naturally occurring polyamine polymers in the distribution of mercury in the environment.

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Selected Metals in Sediments, Water, and Biota in the Illinois River

Mathis, B.J.; Cummings, T.F.; Dep. Biol., Bradley Univ., Peoria, ILL.

J. Water Pollut. Contr. Fed., 45(7), 1573-83; 1973

SEDIMENTS; CHROMIUM; RIVERS; TUBIFICIDS; CLAMS; FISH; COPPER; NICKEL; LEAD; LITHIUM; ZINC; COBALT; CADMIUM

The Illinois River has been receiving domestic and industrial wastes from Chicago and other cities located along its shores for years, and the drastic decline in biotic diversity has been well documented. In the present study an atomic absorption spectrophotometer was utilized to determine the concentrations of copper, nickel, lead, chromium, lithium, zinc, cobalt, and cadmium in water, bottom sediments, tubificids, clams, and fishes taken from the Illinois River. The bottom-dwelling tubificids and clams closely reflected the concentrations of metals found in bottom sediments. A concentration gradient ranging from highest levels in worms, intermediate levels in clams, and lowest levels in fish filets was observed for copper, nickel, lead, chromium, lithium cobalt, and cadmium (Figures 2 and 3). Zinc, however, exhibited a partial reversal of this trend. It was present in highest concentrations in clams, at intermediate levels in worms, metals were more highly concentrated in bottom sediments. The water component of the river exhibited the lowest concentration of metals with the exception of lithium.

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Electrolytic Recovery of Zinc from Zinc-Containing Waste Water Deposits

Natsnev, A.I.; Sinev, O.P.; Rossinskii, N.P.; Ukr. Inst. Tkh. Vodn. Khoz., USSR

Khim. Volokna (KVLKA4), 15(4), 28-29; 1973

ZINC; RECOVERY; WASTE WATER; WATER

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Mercury Inhibition on Lipid Biosynthesis in Freshwater Algae

Watson, R.S.; Mustoe, G.E.; Chang, S.B.

Environ. Sci. Technol., 6, 158; 1972

MERCURY; METHYLMERCURY; BIOSYNTHESIS; LIPIDS; GALACTOLIPIDS; CHLOROPHYLLS; PHOTOSYNTHESIS; INHIBITION; ALGAE; MICROORGANISMS; CHLOROPLASTS; FRESHWATER

TAXONOMY: ANKISTRODESCHUS BRAUNII; EUGLENA GRACILIS

Mercuric chloride and methyl mercuric chloride inhibited the biosynthesis of lipids, especially galactolipids and chlorophylls in photosynthetically grown freshwater algae, ANKISTRODESCHUS BRAUNII and EUGLENA GRACILIS. Three and one-half parts per million of mercuric chloride gave 50% inhibition of galactolipid biosynthesis, 98% inhibition, of chlorophyll synthesis in A. BRAUNII, and a slightly smaller degree of inhibition in E. GRACILIS. Also, 2 ppm of methyl mercuric chloride caused 85% inhibition

of galactolipid biosynthesis and 98% inhibition of chlorophyll biosynthesis in A. BRAUNII. Both mercuric chloride and methyl mercuric chloride strongly inhibited the galactosyl transferase activity for the galactolipid biosynthesis in the chloroplasts isolated from EUGLENA cells and spinach leaves.

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Phenylmercuric Acetate: Metabolic Conversion by Microorganisms

Matsumura, P.; Gotoh, Y.; Boush, G.M.

Science 173, 49-51; 1971, July

MICROORGANISMS; PHENYLMERCURIC ACETATE; DIPHYLMERCURY; ORGANOMERCURIALS; METABOLISM

Phenylmercuric acetate, an organomercurial that has been widely used as a fungicide and slimicide, was found to be metabolized quickly by soils and aquatic microorganisms. One of the major metabolic products was identified to be diphenylmercury. In none of the cases has a methylmercury derivative been found among the microbial metabolic products of phenylmercuric acetate.

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Factors Influencing Translocation and Transformation of Mercury in River Sediment

Matsumura, P.; Gotoh, Y.; Boush, G.M.; Dep. Entomol., Univ. Wisconsin, Madison, WI

Bull. Environ. Contam. Toxicol. (BECTA6) 8(5), 267-272; 1972

MERCURY; TRANSLOCATION; RIVERS; SEDIMENTS; TRANSFORMATION; MICROORGANISMS; ORGANIC MATTER; PH

Three factors contribute to the release of mercury into water: alkaline pH, the organic content of sediments, and microorganisms. Such processes are not necessarily directly related to methylmercury formation. The most profound effect, in terms of increased mercury level in waters, was observed when the pH of the system was increased above 7. It appears that the release of mercury into water from sediments can be controlled by two factors: the first being its relation to organic matter at high pH, and the second the changes in the state of mercury itself at high pH. The degree of influence of microorganisms on the fate of mercury is not clear. In one experiment considerable microbial growth was associated with high amounts of Hg in water, microorganisms were isolated, incubated with 203HgCl_2 for 10 days, cells harvested through centrifugation, and in all cases, microorganisms absorbed almost all of the available Hg.

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Effects of Dissolved Zinc on the Gills of the Stickleback GASTEROSTEUS ACULEATUS

Matthiessen, P.; Brafield, A.E.; Queen Elizabeth Coll., Univ. London, London, England

J. Fish Biol. (JFIB9), 5(5), 607-613; 1973

ZINC; TOXICITY; FISH; GILLS; CALCIUM; STICKLEBACK

TAXONOMY: GASTEROSTEUS ACULEATUS

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Cation Exchange Capacity and Exchangeable Metals in a South Florida Watershed

Mattaw, H.C.; Florida State Univ., Tallahassee, FL

Univ. Microfilms, Ann Arbor, Mich., Order No. 73-11, 320, Diss. Abstr. Int. B 33(11), 5420-21; 1973

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Trace Elements: A Growing Appreciation of Their Effects on Man

Maugh, T.H., ET

Science, 181, 253-254; 1973

PHARMACOLOGY; PATHOLOGY; HUMANS; POPULATIONS; TRACE ELEMENTS; HEALTH; METABOLISM; DISEASE; LETHALITY

The pharmacologic and pathologic effects of normal, below normal, and elevated levels trace elements in humans and populations recently has become a great concern in the medical and scientific community. Abnormally high, or low, concentration of certain trace metals in humans may interfere with metabolic processes to the extent that disease, or death, may occur. Further studies will undoubtedly reveal startling facts concerning the essential (beneficial) and harmful interactions between trace elements and human health.

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Natural Content of Chromium (6+) Ion in the Drinking Waters used by the Inhabitants of a Bulgarian Village

Mautner, G.; Lichev, M.; Kenova, M.; Mancheva, V.; Ivanova, S.; Zakhariyeva, V.; Zakhariyeva, Z.; Georgieva, E.; Vasiliev, V.; Obedin. Nauchnoizsled. Inst. Khig. Okhr. Tr., Sofia, Bulgaria

Khig. Zdravopazvane (KRZDAN), 16(1), 42-47; 1973

CHROMIUM; DRINKING WATER; WATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Bulgaria

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Toxicity of Methyl Mercury for Steelhead Trout Sperm

McIntyre, J.D.; Oregon Cooperative Fishery Unit, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon 97331

Bulletin of Environmental Contamination and Toxicology 9(2), 98-99; 1973

STEELHEAD TROUT; TROUT; METHYL MERCURY; CHLORIDE; SPERM; FERTILITY; FISH; MERCURY; GENETIC EFFECTS

TAXONOMY: SALMO GAYRDNERI

In a study designed to determine the genetic effects of mercury toxicity for steelhead trout (SALMO GAYRDNERI) it became necessary to determine the concentrations of methylmercuric chloride that would reduce sperm viability. The percentage of eggs that were not fertilized at each concentration of mercury indicated that concentrations of 1.0 ppm and greater reduced sperm viability as compared to the control. The experimental design did not permit studies of the chronic effects on sperm of lower concentrations of methylmercury; however, the extreme sensitivity of steelhead sperm to a level of mercury that often occurs in fish tissue was evident.

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Investigation of Some Factors in the Biochemical Conversion of Mercury Pollutants to Toxic Methyl-Mercury Effectuated by Micro-organisms in a Marine Sediment; Research Rept. Report on a Trident Scholar Project

McKinney, M.; Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD 245600

Report No. USNA-TRPP-32; Monitoring Agency Rept No. 18, 94 p.; 1972, May 19

MERCURY; MARINE BIOLOGY; MICROORGANISMS; REVIEW; SOLUBILITY; TOXICITY; CHEMICAL ANALYSIS; GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY; ATOMIC SPECTROSCOPY; MICROORGANISMS; ANALYSIS; SPECTROCHEMICAL ANALYSIS; TRACE ELEMENTS; ORGANOMERCURIALS; METHYL MERCURY; CHELATION

The aim of the investigation was to find some of the factors involved in the conversion of mercury pollutants to toxic methyl-mercury by microorganisms in marine sediments. Research resulted in the definition of the two primary problems: modeling and analysis. A successful modeling technique was then developed, after restrictions in design were found desirable. A successful analytical technique, which had not been applied as such to biological samples, was developed and used with good results. These two solutions were then combined in an investigation of the conversion factors: pollutant type and level; conversion time; movement of water over the sediment (removal of Me-Hg produced); chelation; eutrophication; and oxygen content of the water above the sediment.

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Purification of Industrial Solutions and Waste Waters at the Balkhash Hydrometallurgical Plant

Mekler, L.I.; Gorodetskii, M.I.; Zinkovskii, V.A.; Porubayev, V.P.; Kvyatkovskii, A.M.; USSR

Tsvet. Metal. (TVMETAL), 7, 51-54; 1973

METALLURGY; DETOXIFICATION; INDUSTRY; WASTE WATERS; REMOVAL

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Effects of Sublethal Amounts of Cadmium and Mercury on the Metabolism of Zinc 65 by Freshwater Fish

Merlini, M.; Argentesi, F.; Brazzelli, A.; Oregioni, R.; Pozzi, G.

Part of FUK-4000 4.E.I.O., International Symposium, Radioecology Applied to the Protection of Man and his Environment, Rome, 1971. Proceedings. Held Rome 7-10 September, 1971. Luxembourg (Commission of the European Communities) QR 5435 154 1971, (1327-44).: 1972, May

CADMIUM; ZINC; FRESHWATER; MERCURY; METABOLISM; RADIONUCLIDES; KINETICS; RESPONSE; ZINC 65; AQUATIC BIOLOGY; RADIOACTIVITY; RADIATION EFFECTS; RADIATION; NUTRIENTS; ZINC; MICRONUTRIENTS; LAKES

TAXONOMY: LEPOMIS GIBBOSUS

It is known that aquatic environments which receive nuclear reactor effluents contain the neutron-induced radionuclide zinc-65. As a result, aquatic organisms are exposed to a radioactive essential micronutrient known to be physiologically important. Thus, radiozinc enters into the metabolic pools of these organisms just as its stable counterpart. Recent studies utilizing 65Zn have helped delineate the biological pathway of this essential element for a better understanding of mineral metabolism and the fate of this important nuclide in an edible freshwater fish, LEPOMIS GIBBOSUS, L. from Lake Maggiore (northern Italy). In addition, increased industrial and agricultural pollution makes urgent studies of the effects of heavy metals on vital physiological processes. Cadmium and mercury are two of the heavy metals frequently encountered as pollutants of inland waters and they affect the normal behavior of zinc in freshwater fish. The results of studies conducted on the effects of sublethal quantities of Cd and Hg on the metabolism of Zinc-65 in LEPOMIS GIBBOSUS will be presented and discussed.

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Lead and Cadmium Distribution in the Particulate Effluent from a Coal-Fired Boiler

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Dissertation, The Univ. of Iowa, Order No. 73-699, 174 pages.: 1972

LEAD; CADMIUM; DISTRIBUTION; EFFLUENTS; POWER PLANTS; COAL; BERYLLIUM; EMISSIONS; PARTICLE SIZE; ATOMIC ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY; RESPIRABLE FRACTION

This study was designed to evaluate the total emissions and the distribution of concentration with particle size for cadmium and lead in the particulate effluent from a coal-fired boiler. Particular attention was given to the concentration and amounts of these materials in the respirable size range (less than 5 µ). Additional information was obtained on the distribution of beryllium and other elements in the particulate effluent. Particulates were collected using a sampling train which consisted of a Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory miniature cyclone followed by a six stage Andersen Sampler followed by an inline membrane filter. After collection, the various size ranges of particulates were analyzed quantitatively for cadmium and lead, using atomic absorption and for beryllium using fluorescence emission spectroscopy. These analyses showed that the largest amounts of cadmium and lead were in the respirable size fractions. An increase in concentration with decreasing particle size was also shown for lead and cadmium. The limited number of samples analyzed for beryllium indicated that there was not an increase in concentration in the smaller particulate size fractions of the samples.

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Some Remarks on Mercury as an Aquatic Pollutant and Its Implications

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Part of Radiotracer Studies of Chemical Residues in Food and Agriculture. Proceedings of a Combined Panel and Research Coordination Committee, International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna, 61-68; 1974

MERCURY; WATER; CONTAMINATION; TRANSFORMATION; METHYLMERCURY; FISH; SWORDFISH; TUNA; HUMANS; BLOOD; HAIR; TEMPERATURE; BIOLOGICAL HALF-LIFE; METABOLISM; FRESHWATER

The chemical transformation of mercury in nature and the eventual mechanisms of methylation of mercury are discussed. Mercury levels in marine fish, especially tuna and swordfish from different regions and in freshwater fish are reviewed. The effect of temperature on the biological half-time of methyl mercury in fish is described. Recommended concentration limits of mercury in fish in the USA, Canada, Japan, Sweden and Finland are presented. The correlation between methyl-mercury consumption and Hg-level in blood and hair, as well as the differences of the metabolism of methyl mercury and inorganic mercury in man are discussed.

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Dynamics of Absorption Rates, Endogeneous Excretion, Tissue Turnover, and Homeostatic Control Mechanisms of Zinc, Cadmium, Manganese, and Nickel in Ruminants

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Fed. Proc., Fed. Amer. Soc. Exp. Biol. (FEPR7) 32(8), 1915-20; 1973

REVIEW; TRACE ELEMENTS; MANGANESE; ZINC; CADMIUM; NICKEL; TISSUES; RUMINANTS; ABSORPTION; EXCRETION; CONTROL MECHANISMS; ANIMALS; MAMMALS; CATTLE; MILK

After reaching the ruminant duodenum, zinc and manganese are absorbed quite rapidly, with transfer from intestinal mucosa to blood as the rate-limiting step. After absorption, manganese turnover rates in most tissues are much more rapid than those for zinc, but the rate of each decreases with time, both totally and as a percentage of that retained. This indicates that increasing proportions of zinc and manganese are in tissues and combinations that hold them with high affinity. Although always low, cadmium turnover is extremely slow after the first few days. Absorption change appears to be the major means of zinc homeostasis, with endogenous excretion (and milk in lactating cows) making some contribution. In contrast, variable endogenous excretion is of major and perhaps dominant importance in manganese homeostasis, with differences in absorption probably playing a lesser role. Normally, a cadmium metabolic load does not materially affect total absorption or endogenous excretion of a radioactive cadmium dose. This absence of homeostatic control is in sharp contrast to manganese and zinc. However, little cadmium is absorbed; most of that absorbed is retained for a very long time. Manganese and nickel absorption normally appear to be quite low; however, with the newborn calf, high manganese absorption values have been obtained. Milk zinc content is somewhat related to dietary intake, but the variability in milk is far less, with as much as 18% of dietary zinc going into milk of cows fed a low zinc diet and as little as 0.8% with high zinc intake. Although the data are far less adequate, ruminants appear to have some homeostatic control of nickel. Regardless of the route or mechanism, homeostasis of zinc, manganese, and nickel probably is a reflection of changes at the tissue level. The patterns of change vary greatly among tissues for each element, suggesting very different homeostatic control mechanisms.

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Binding of Silver Sulfadiazine to the Cellular Components of *PSEUDOMONAS AERUGINOSA*

Modak, S.M.; Fox, C.L.; Dep. Surg. Microbiol., Columbia Univ. Coll. Phys. Surg., New York, NY

Biochem. Pharmacol. (BCPCA6), 22(19), 2391-2404; 1973

SILVER; SILVER SULFADIAZINE; PSEUDOMONAS; DNA; BACTERIA; CHEMICAL BONDS

TAXONOMY: PSEUDOMONAS AERUGINOSA

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Effect of Temperature Variations on Growth, Reproduction, Amino Acid Synthesis, and Fat and Sugar Content in *ULVA FASCIATA* Plants

Mohsen, A.P.; Wasr, A.H.; Metwalli, A.M.; Alexandria University, Alexandria, United Arab Republic

Hydrobiologia (HYDRB8), 42(4), 451-460; 1973

ULVA; GROWTH; TEMPERATURE EFFECTS; ALGAE; METALS; AMINO ACIDS; LIPIDS; SUGARS; REPRODUCTION; SYNTHESIS

TAXONOMY: ULVA FASCIATA

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Differentiation of Chemical States of Toxic Species, Especially Cyanide and Copper, in Water

Montgomery, A.C.; Stiff, M.J.

International Symposium on Identification and Measurement of Environmental Pollutants, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, 375-379; 1971, June 14-17

TOXICITY; CHEMISTRY; CYANIDE; COPPER; CARBON DIOXIDE; AMMONIA; CHROMIUM; HYDROGEN CYANIDE; AMINO ACIDS; POLYPEPTIDES; HUMUS; METHODOLOGY; ANALYSIS

The toxicity of some substances to fish is governed by considerations of chemical equilibrium. Thus it appears that carbon dioxide, ammonia, and hydrogen cyanide are toxic, whereas the ions with which they are in equilibrium are not. A nomogram for the calculation of the proportion of free ammonia is presented. Hydrogen cyanide may be in equilibrium with metalocyanide complexes as well as with cyanide ion. The equilibria involved and the methods of analysis available for free hydrogen cyanide are discussed. Hexavalent chromium is present in water as chromate and hydrogen chromate in equilibrium. Copper forms soluble complexes with carbonate, amino-acids and polypeptides, humic substances, and cyanide. A large fraction of the copper present is often in suspension. Methods of analysis to differentiate the soluble states of copper, and the implications of this analysis, are discussed.

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Plumbosolvency of Waters

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Nature 243, 222-223; 1973

LEAD; PLUMBOSOLVENCY; DRINKING WATER; PH; TEMPERATURE; PIPES; SOLUBILITY

Lead poisonings in the Glasgow area resulting from use of lead water pipes in buildings caused the authors to investigate the effects of various factors on the plumbosolventies of waters. It was found that plumbosolvency increased considerably outside the pH range 6 to 8. Plumbosolvency increases exponentially with temperature up to a maximum temperature examined (60 degrees C).

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Gastrointestinal Absorption of Different
Compounds of Cadmium-115m and the Effect of
Different Concentrations in the Rat

Moore, W.J.; Starn, J.P.; Crocker, W.C.; Natl.
Environ. Res. Cent., Environ. Prot. Agency,
Cincinnati, Ohio

Environ. Res. (ENVIRAL) 6(2), 159-166; 1973

PATHS: ABSORPTION; CADMIUM 115M; CHLORIDE;
ACETATE; SULFATES; RETENTION; DISTRIBUTION;
CADMIUM; GASTROINTESTINAL ABSORPTION;
CONTAMINATION

The absorption and retention of three different
compounds of (115m) Cadmium and the effects of
variations in concentration were studied in
female rats. After a single oral dose, the
chloride, sulfate, and acetate forms of (115m)Cd
did not significantly influence the absorption,
retention, or distribution of the (115m)Cd in the
tissues. The only organs containing significant
amounts of (115m)Cd were the liver, kidney, and
gastrointestinal tract. Increases in
concentration of cadmium resulted in more cadmium
being absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract,
although the amount absorbed was not proportional
to the increase in concentration.

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Cadmium Enrichment in Neckar Fish

Mueller, G.; Foerstner, U.; Lab.
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Germany

Naturwissenschaften (NATWIS), 60(5), 258-259; 1973

CADMIUM; FISH; LIVER

TAXONOMY: LEUCISCUS RUTILIS

The (006) cadmium content of the liver and flesh
of leuciscus rutilus captured in the Neckar River
near the mouth of the Enz (Germany) was .LEQ.*690
and .LEQ.*260 PPB, resp., which was 190- and
52-fold, respectively, higher than in fish
captured in the same river near Dilsberg. The
former fish were not suitable for human food.

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Application of Flotation for the Treatment of
Waste Water

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Hyomen (HYMEN7), 11(3), 129-138; 1973

REVIEW; FLOTATION; WASTE WATER; HEAVY METALS;
WATER

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Electron Microscope Autoradiography of Kidney
after Administration of (210)Pb in Mice

Murakami, M.; Hirokawa, K.; Department of Public
Health; Department of Anatomy, Faculty of
Medicine, University of Tokyo, Hongo, Tokyo 113

Natura, 245, 153-154; 1973

ELECTRONMICROSCOPY; AUTORADIOGRAPHY;
BIOACCUMULATION; LEAD; LEAD 210; LEAD 218;
RADIOACTIVITY; RADIOACTIVE EQUILIBRIUM;
CYTOPLASM; EPITHELIAL CELLS; MICE; ANIMALS;

KIDNEY; MITOCHONDRIA

Electron microscopic autoradiography was used to
demonstrate the precise localization of (210)Pb
in some organelles in the tubular epithelial
cells of the mouse kidney. Male mice were
injected intraperitoneally with a solution
containing (210)Pb, (210)Bi, and (218)Po in
radioactive equilibrium. In the epithelial
cells, more than half of the grains were found on
mitochondria and about third in the cytoplasm,
half of which were associated with cytoplasmic
membranes. Few grains were located in the nuclei
of epithelial cells. Accumulation in the
mitochondria and cytoplasm occurs within thirty
min. after its administration. The cytoplasm as
well as the membranes, seem to be involved in the
incorporation and transport of lead.

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Adsorption-Desorption Equilibria of Some
Radionuclides in Sediment-Fresh-Water and
Sediment-Seawater Systems

Murray, C.W.; Murray, L.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine
Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the
International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA,
July 10-18, 1972 (105-122) 786p.; 1973

ADSORPTION; DESORPTION; SEDIMENTS; FRESHWATER;
SEAWATER; SALTWATER; RADIONUCLIDES; COBALT;
COBALT 60M; ZINC; ZINC 65; SILVER 110M; Pb

Knowledge of the behavior of radionuclides in
estuarine environments is required in the
understanding of their regulation in coastal
areas. The present paper describes experiments
that were carried out to investigate the uptake
of certain radionuclides on fresh-water sediments
in river water (adsorption) and their subsequent
release from the sediments to the seawater
(desorption). It was found that for the
radionuclides studied, (60)Co(m), (65)Zn,
(110)Ag(m), their behavior was very individual.
Laboratory results suggest that certain factors
strongly affect the adsorption-desorption
characteristics of the sediment. The influence
of important factors such as the pH of the river,
estuary and seawater, the concentration of
sediment and trace element in the river water,
the speciation of the trace element, the
mineralogy of sediment, the formation of
particulate material in the river water and
floculation of this by sediment in the estuary
and sea, and salinity effects on desorption, are
discussed. From a knowledge of these factors, it
is possible to predict, as a first approximation,
for a given sediment the amount of radionuclide
that will be taken up by a given weight of
fresh-water sediment in a very simple river
system under equilibrium conditions. When this
sediment reaches the marine environment the
amount of desorbed radionuclide can be
calculated. An example of a predictive
calculation for adsorption-desorption of Var river
sediment is given for conditions of pH, sediment
load and tracer concentration that are typically
found in this system.

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Arsenic Oxidation State in the Presence of
Microorganisms. Examination by Differential Pulse
Polarography

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Morrison, S.M.; Dep. Chem., Colorado State Univ.,
Fort Collins, Colorado

Environ. Lett. (PVLTX), 5(1), 53-54; 1973

ARSENIC; MICROORGANISMS; OXIDATION; POLAROGRAPHY;
OXYACIDS; SEWAGE; EFFLUENTS

TAXONOMY: PSEUDONONAS FLUORESCENS

Differential pulse polarography was used to
monitor changes in the oxidation state of arsenic
when arsenic oxyacids were acted upon by
microorganisms. Arsenite is chemically altered
in raw sewage, activated sludge, and sewage
effluent under aerobic conditions; it was shown
that in the presence of oxygen, activated sludge
oxidizes arsenite to arsenate. Activated sludge
under anaerobic conditions first reduces arsenate
to arsenite. At longer times the arsenite
apparently is further reduced. Aerobic cultures
of PSEUDONONAS FLUORESCENS also reduce arsenate
to arsenite.

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Heavy Metals in Wastewater and Treatment Plant
Effluents

Mytelka, A.J.; Czacher, J.S.; Guggino, W.R.;
Golub, H.

Jour. Water Poll. Control Fed., 45, 1859; 1973

REMOVAL; WASTEWATER; SEWAGE; EFFLUENTS; ANALYSIS

The findings of the Interstate Sanitary
Commission's (New York, New Jersey, and
Connecticut) routine heavy metals analyses of
municipal wastewater treatment plants is
presented. The results show that many plants
receive and discharge heavy metals above prudent
limits. In order to minimize the harmful effects
of these heavy metals, state-of-the-art
techniques must be implemented to achieve as
close to 100 percent removal as is possible
before these metals enter the sewer systems allow
wastewater to by-pass treatment plants and
discharge, untreated, directly into the receiving
waterways.

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Analysis of Some Inorganic Constituents in Well
Waters and Their Sediments

Banda, R.S.; Kapoor, Krishna; Fluoride Study
Unit, Dent. Coll. Hosp., Lucknow-3, Uttar
Pradesh, India

Indian J Med Res 60(6), 949-952; 1972

ANALYSIS; ELEMENTS; NUTRIENTS; FLUORIDES;
PHOSPHATE; MAGNESIUM; CALCIUM; CHLORIDE;
HARDNESS; SEASONAL VARIATIONS; WELL WATERS;
WATER; SEDIMENTS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: India

Well water samples (100) were analyzed for their
contents of fluoride, phosphate, Mg, Ca, chloride
and hardness for each of the 3 seasons to
discover if there were differences in the
concentration of these constituents in the
sedimented and respective clear samples. A study
of seasonal variation in sediments and clear
samples was included. All these constituents
were significantly greater in the sediments than
in the clear samples in the summer. Fluoride in
the monsoon and fluoride, phosphate and Mg in the
winter sediment samples were significantly
higher. Analysis of variance applied to the data
revealed significant seasonal differences for
each constituent. The content of these
constituents was highest during the summer season
in both the sediment and clear water samples than
during the winter and the monsoon.

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Toxicity of Lead Nitrate in the Carp
(CYPRINUS CARPIO). Data on the Modifications of
the Nucleoprotein and Carbohydrate Metabolism

Marbonne, J.P.; Muray, J.C.; Serfaty, A.; Lab.
Ecophysiol. Univ. Paul Sabatier, Toulouse, France

C.R. Soc. Biol. (CRSBAN) 167(3-4) 572-5; 1973

CARP; PROTEOLYSIS; GLYCOGEN; LEAD; LEAD NITRATE;
METABOLISM; FISH; LIVER; NUCLEOPROTEIN

TAXONOMY: CYPRINUS CARPIO

Metabolic modifications induced by exposure of
carps to 3.5 ppm lead nitrate consisted primarily
of glycogen accumulation, proteolysis, and
decrease in hepatic proteosynthesis.

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Occurrence Forms of Cobalt, Nickel, and Copper in
Subsurface Waters of Mugodzhary

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K.M.; Inst. Gidrogeol. Gidrofiz, Alma-Ata, USSR

Izv. Akad. Nauk Kaz. SSR, Ser. Geol. (IKAGAS),
30(4), 40-45; 1973

COPPER; SUBSURFACE WATERS; NICKEL; COBALT; WATER;
FORMULATION

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: USSR, Mugodzhary

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Biological and Photobiological Action of
Pollutants on Aquatic Microorganisms

Neely, W.C.; Smith, R.C.; Cody, R.M.; McDuffie,
J.R.; Lansden, J.A.; Water Resour. Res. Inst.,
Auburn Univ., Auburn, AL

PB Report No. 220167/1, Water Resources Research
Institute, Auburn University; 1973

MICROORGANISMS; PHOTOBIOLOGY; METALS; IONS;
INSECTICIDES; ANTHERS; MYCOTOXIN; BACTERIA;
PARAMECIUM; WATER

TAXONOMY: PARAMECIUM CAUDATUM; ESCHERICHIA COLI

The various aspects of the biological and photobiological action of pollutants on aquatic microorganisms have been explored in a series of studies covering a wide range of chemical species and two classes of aquatic microorganisms, paramecia and bacteria. Certain metal ions, insecticides, polycyclic amines, and mycotoxins are capable of drastic alteration of the life processes in test strains of either bacteria or paramecia or both. In some cases concurrent exposure to light and the pollutant was necessary; in others the toxic and/or mutagenic reactions were independent of light exposure. In particular the uranyl ion, beta-naphthylamine, and aflatoxin B₁ were phototoxic while the insecticide, pygon, was strongly dark-toxic. All agents affected PARAMECIUM CAUDATUM and all but aflatoxin B₁ affected ESCHERICHIA COLI.

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Biodegradation of Phenylmercuric Acetate by
Mercury-Resistant Bacteria

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Applied Microbiol. 26(3), 321-326; 1973

ORGANIC COMPOUNDS; BIODETERIORATION; FUNGICIDES;
PHENYL MERCURIC ACETATE; MERCURY; DECOMPOSITION
REACTIONS; BENZENE; BACTERIA; VOLATILIZATION;
MERCURY/ACETATO-PHENYL

Selected cultures of mercury-resistant bacteria degrade the fungicide-silicide phenylmercuric acetate. By means of a closed system incorporating a flameless atomic absorption spectrophotometer and a vapor phase chromatograph, it was demonstrated that elemental mercury vapor and benzene were products of phenylmercuric acetate degradation.

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Behavior and Distribution of Radioactive
Substances in Coastal and Estuarine Waters

Nishiwaki, Y.; Honda, Y.; Kimura, Y.; Morishima, H.; Koga, T.; Miyaguchi, Y.; Kawai, H.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-14, 1972 (177-193), 786 p.; 1973

DISTRIBUTION; RADIONUCLIDES; COASTAL WATERS;
ESTUARIES; RADIOACTIVITY; SALINITY; PH;
SEDIMENTS; YTTRIUM 91; CERIUM 144

To understand the problems of environmental radioactive contamination due to continuous

discharge of low-level liquid radioactive waste into the seawater, a study must be made of the behaviour and distribution of various nuclides which may occur in both ionic and colloidal or particulate state in the coastal and estuarine waters. However, the behaviour and distribution of the various radionuclides in the estuarine water are much more complicated than those in the open sea, because of the complex topographical and marine meteorological variations and the changes in salinities and pH of the water. Since thorium and rare-earth elements had been continuously discharged through a small river into the estuarine water at Osaka Bay, a study was made of the variation of concentration of these elements under various natural conditions. Experimental studies on adsorption of these elements on some bottom sediments were also carried out in the water were different salinities and pH. One important factor influencing the concentration of the elements in the water is tidal oscillation. The gross beta activities in water at the same location in the estuary widely varied at each time of sampling. The average values from April to December in 1966 were 9.5 plus or minus 4.9 pCi/litre at higher tidal level, 84 plus or minus 68 pCi/litre at middle tidal level and 157 plus or minus 106 pCi/litre at lower tidal level respectively. However, the concentrations of thorium and total rare-earth elements in the water were not observed to change regularly with the tidal change. The dispersion of the elements in the estuarine water were not interpreted by simple dilution and diffusion of the element in water mass. The presence of the mud flats, as well as the marine meteorological conditions, seem to affect markedly the distribution of the element in the estuarine water. The adsorption of the element on the bottom sediment was influenced not only by the coarseness of the sediment but also by the salinity and pH of the water. The highest distribution coefficients of Th²³² and Ce¹⁴⁴ in the clay sediment were obtained at the chlorosity of 14 g/litre and pH 7.3 of the water.

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Analysing Soil Water and Solute Movement Under
Field Conditions: Soil Moisture and Irrigation
Studies

Wielson, D.R.; Biggar, J.W.; University of California, Davis, CA

Proceedings of a Panel Organized by the Joint FAO/IAEA Division of Atomic Energy in Food and Agriculture, International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna, 1973, p. 111-127; 1973

WATER MOVEMENT; FLUX; SOIL PROFILE; DIFFUSION
EQUATIONS; POTENTIAL EQUATIONS; SOIL WATER;
SOILS; TRANSPORT

Methods are reviewed for assessing water content distribution and water flux out of a soil profile using potential or diffusion equations and data obtainable by means of a neutron moisture meter or by tensiometers. It is suggested that the neutron gauge be used to assess the hydraulic conductivity versus soil-water content relations of field soils together with the reliability of these measurements taken over land areas of sufficient size to be of use in the management and control of soil-water and solutes for crop production.

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Concentrations and Distributions of Long-Lived
Fallout Radionuclides in Open Ocean Sediments

Noshkin, V.P.; Bowen, V.T.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine
Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the
International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA,
July 10-14, 1972 (671-686), 786 p.; 1973

FALLOUT; RADIONUCLIDES; PLUTONIUM; SEDIMENTS;
STRONTIUM; STRONTIUM 90; CESIUM; CESIUM 137;
ACCUMULATION; SALTWATER; MODELS; AQUATIC
ECOSYSTEMS

Analyses of deep open-ocean sediment cores from
the north and south Atlantic and the
Mediterranean Sea show the presence of Sr 90, Cs
137 and Pu 139, 138 in measurable amounts
distributed to depth within the sediment columns.
Comparison of the quantities of these
radionuclides accumulated in the sediments with
either estimated integrated deliveries to the sea
surface or the measured inventories in the
overlying water masses has been used to estimate
the residence times of the radionuclides in the
water column. For Sr 90 and Cs 137 these computed
residence times are orders of magnitude shorter
than those estimated for the stable elements.
Plutonium, we find, is being removed from the
water column significantly more rapidly than
either Sr 90 or Cs 137. The ratio of Cs 137 to
Sr 90 in the sediments is higher than that found
in precipitation, suggesting that a larger
fraction of ocean water Cs 137 is associated with
sedimenting particles than has been previously
assumed. A simple model assuming plutonium to
associate with a sized population of particles,
sinking at rates of 392 to 70 m/yr, predicts very
well both the relation of sediment inventory of
plutonium to depth of sediment, and the plutonium
distribution vertically in the water column.

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Precipitation and Hydrolysis of Metallic Ions.
V. Nickel(II) in Aqueous Solutions

Novak-Adamic, D.M.; Cosovic, B.; Bilinski, H.;
Branica, M.; Inst. Rudjer Boskovic, Zagreb,
Yugoslavia

J. Inorg. Nucl. Chem. (JINCAO) 35(7), 2371-82;
1973

NICKEL; HYDROXIDE; HYDROLYSIS; METALS;
PRECIPITATION; AQUEOUS CHEMISTRY

The change in solubility of nickel(II) hydroxide
as a function of pH in aqueous solutions of 0.55
M sodium chloride and 1 M sodium perchlorate was
investigated. The precipitation was studied over
a wide concentration range of nickel(II) ion 2×10^{-4} M less than Ni^{2+} less than 5×10^{-6} M and
pH 2 greater than pH 8. Several different mixing
procedures for the preparation of the solutions
were employed, and the results are discussed
regarding the differences in the observed
precipitation pH region. Tyndallometric and
polarographic methods were used to analyze the
systems (24 hr after the mixing at 25 degrees C).
Graphical analysis of the solubility curves
indicates the presence of species of charge $2+$ as
the predominant one in aqueous solutions in
equilibrium with the solid phase. The exceptions
found for some solutions at concentrations higher
than 5×10^{-4} M of Ni^{2+} are due to high
local concentration of OH^- ions. Assuming the
nonhydrolytic species Ni^{2+} is predominant,
the solubility product K_{sp} was evaluated.

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The Influence of Temperature and Salinity on the
Toxicity of Cadmium to the Fiddler Crab (UCA
PUGILATOR)

O'Hara, J.

Fishery Bulletin, 71(1), 149-53; 1973

CADMIUM; TOXICITY; SALINITY; TEMPERATURE;
ELECTROPLATING DISCHARGES; WASTE WASTES; CRAB;
ACUTE; GILLS; BIOACCUMULATION; CONCENTRATION
FACTOR; GREEN GLAND; HEPATOPANCREAS; MUSCLES

TAXONOMY: UCA PUGILATOR

The concentrations of cadmium lethal to the
fiddler crab, UCA PUGILATOR, were determined for
various environmental regimes of temperature and
salinity. Mortality was greatest in high
temperatures and low salinities when tested for
240 hr. Concentrations of cadmium were greatest
in green gland followed by gill, hepatopancreas,
and muscle.

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Cadmium Uptake by Fiddler Crabs Exposed to
Temperature and Salinity Stress

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CRAB; CADMIUM; METABOLISM; SALINITY; TEMPERATURE;
UPTAKE; MORTALITY

TAXONOMY: UCA PUGILATOR

Recent experiments by the author have shown that
cadmium accumulations in the gills of fiddler
crabs exposed to different concentrations of
cadmium did not exceed 100ug/g (ppm) Cd(2plus) wet
weight, and that crabs died shortly after this
level was reached. In the present experiment
male crabs were placed in each environmental
combination of 33, 25, and 10 C at both 10‰ and
30‰ salinity. Temperature was found to have
little effect on the accumulation of cadmium in
the gills at high salinity while it had a strong
effect at low salinity. Crabs exposed to high
temperature and low salinity had the greatest
amount of cadmium in the hepatopancreas. The
body burden increased over time in all
temperature-salinity regimes tested reaching
17.44 ug at 33 C, 10‰.

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Mechanisms of Heavy Metal Toxicities

Oehme, Frederick, W.

Clinical Toxicology, 5(2), 151-167; 1972

HEAVY METALS; TOXICITY; MECHANISMS; PHARMACOLOGY

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375 Treatment of Water Containing Concentrated Ferrocyanides

Ogura, M.; Sanei Suiko Co., Ltd.

Japan. Kokai (JIKKAP) 73 42966 (13(7)A2,
13(7)A21, 91 C91), 07, 2 pp.; 1971, OctoberFERROCYANIDE; CALCIUM; CHLORIDE; ZINC; WATER;
PRECIPITATION AGENT

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Effect of Mercury on Yeast

Ohmeyer, P.; Pilgerakis, C.; Huehls, D.;
Forschungsstelle Prof. Ohmeyer, Univ. Tuebingen,
Tuebingen, GermanyZ. Naturforsch., Teil C (ZNFCAP), 28(9-10), 628;
1973

YEAST; MERCURY CHLORIDE; GENETICS; MERCURY

Mercury chloride ($HgCl_2$) increased in $1.5 \times 10^{-5} M$ the generation time of *SACCHAROMYCES CEREVISIAE* and induced genetic changes. Hg -treated cells produced a lower amount of dry substance as compared with untreated cells. Their H_2 - CO_2 ratio in glucose solution was increased. Hg -treated cells were able to sporulate.

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Application of Isotope Techniques for Studies on Mechanisms of Land Contamination and Water Pollution

Ohmoko, Y.; Suzuki, H.; Saiki, M.

Proc. Jap. Conf. Radioisotop. No. 10, 499-503;
1972, AprilACTIVATION ANALYSIS; BROMINE; DYSPROSIUM;
EUROPIUM; FLOW RATE; INLAND WATERWAYS; WATER;
CERIUM 144; CESIUM 137; CONTAMINATION; DRINKING
WATER; FALLOUT; LAND POLLUTION; RADIOACTIVE WASTE
DISPOSAL; RUTHEINIUM 106; SEDIMENTS; SOILS;
STRONTIUM 90; COWS; FISH; IODINE 131; MILK;
PLANTS; RADIOISOTOPE MIGRATION; UPTAKE; MERCURY;
MERCURY 203; TRACERS

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Heavy Metal Levels of Ottawa and Rideau River Sediments

Oliver, B.G.; Inland Waters Div., Dep. Environ.,
Ottawa, Ont.Environmental Science and Technology, 7(2),
135-7; 1973, FebruaryRIVERS; SEDIMENTS; LEAD; MERCURY; ZINC; COPPER;
NICKEL; COBALT; IRON; MANGANESE; CHROMIUM; ATOMIC
ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY; INDUSTRIAL WASTES;
SEWAGE; FISH; TOXICITY; PARTICLE SIZE;
SLURRIES; METHYLMERCURIC ACETATE;
AUTOMOBILE EMISSIONS

Sediment samples were collected at two-mile intervals along the Ottawa and Rideau Rivers near Ottawa, Canada, in July, 1971. The sediments were analyzed for lead, mercury, zinc, copper, nickel, cobalt, iron, manganese, and chromium using atomic absorption spectrophotometry. The surface areas of the samples were measured and taken into consideration when deciding whether or not metal

levels were unusually high. Some anomalously high heavy metal concentrations found in the sediments in certain locations appeared to be related to pollution of the rivers by municipal and industrial waste water discharges and waste disposal practices.

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Ecological Dynamics of Watersheds

Olson, S.

BioScience, 22(3), 158-161; 1972, March

MODELS; ENERGY FLOW; FUNCTIONS; WATERSHEDS;
ATMOSPHERE; WATER; SOILS; TEMPERATURE; LIGHT; PH;
PLANTS; ANIMALS; AQUATIC BIOTA; TERRESTRIAL
ECOSYSTEMS; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; TERRESTRIAL BIOTA

A graphic transfer function model is developed to demonstrate in a simple though comprehensive form the pathways for energy, water and elements within a watershed. A watershed is taken as the best example of a complete ecosystem, containing both terrestrial and aquatic parts with their populations of producers, consumers, and decomposers. This transfer function model represents only a first step toward the development of quantitative, mathematical models that can serve to describe the complicated interactions between the environment and the biota. While the model can be used for different ecosystems containing aquatic and terrestrial parts, it is planned more specifically for treatment of the data accumulated in the studies on the Fern Lake watershed. These data cover both the terrestrial and aquatic environments. Some of the measurements have been made regularly for more than twelve years and include observations on air (temperature, humidity, pressure, precipitation, solar radiation, wind direction and velocity); water (temperature, oxygen, specific conductance, limit of visibility and light penetration, pH, alkalinity, various chemical elements, and data are available on terrestrial producers (general knowledge of the flora, assessment of biomass, mass of N, K, and P); aquatic producers (primary production); terrestrial consumers (general knowledge of the mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and birds); and aquatic consumers (quantitative data on zooplankton, bottom animals, insect emergence, crayfish, and steelhead trout, including modelling of the population dynamics of the fish). Experiments have been performed on the movement of elements (with the use of ^{32}P , ^{86}Rb , and ^{45}Ca) in Douglas fir, by application of radioisotopes to the lake (^{32}P , ^{45}Ca , ^{99}Mo , and ^{131}I), and by full or partial mineral fertilizations of the lake.

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Uptake Pathways of Methylmercuric Chloride and Mercuric Chloride by Rainbow Trout (*SALMO GAIRDNERI*) with Special Reference to Ultrastructural Changes of the Gill

Olson, K.R.; Michigan State Univ., East Lansing,
MIUniv. Microfilms, Ann Arbor, MI, Order No. 73-20,
386, Diss. Abstr. Int. 8, 38(3), 1238-1249; 1973MERCURY CHLORIDE; UPTAKE; RAINBOW TROUT;
METHYLMERCURY; GILLS; METABOLIC PATHWAYS; FISH;
MERCURY

TAXONOMY: SALMO GAIRDNERI

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Uptake of Methyl Mercuric Chloride and Mercuric Chloride by Trout. Uptake Pathways into the Whole Animal and Uptake by Erythrocytes in Vitro

Olson, K.R.; Bergman, H.L.; Fromm, P.O.; Dep. Physiol., Michigan State Univ., East Lansing, Michigan

N. Fish. Res. Board Can. (JPRBAK) 39(9), 1293-9; 1973

METHYLMERCURY; UPTAKE; TROUT; ERYTHROCYTE BINDING; BIOACCUMULATION; FISH; MERCURY; MERCURY 203

TAXONOMY: SALMO GATREDNERI

Esophageal ligation did not affect the rate of uptake of either ^{203}Hg -labeled mercuric chloride or methylmercury chloride (275 ng/l., 24 hr exposure) by nonfeeding rainbow trout (SALMO GATREDNERI). Thus Hg^{2+} and CH_3Hg^+ uptake appeared to be by way of the gills. CH_3Hg^+ entered the fish faster than Hg^{2+} , and was selectively accumulated in the kidney, muscle, gill, heart, and liver. However, Hg^{2+} appeared to cross the gill membrane and enter the fish without requisite methylation. Up to 90% of the CH_3Hg^+ bound to red cells during 40 min in vitro incubation with whole blood. Only 9% of the Hg^{2+} bound to red cells in whole blood; however, up to 65% bound to red cells washed and suspended in Ringer's solution prior to incubation with Hg .

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Lake Superior Periphyton in Relation to Water Quality

Olson, T.A.; Odlaug, T.O.

Water Pollution Control Research Series, 18059 DBH 02/72; 1972, February

WATER QUALITY: PERIPHYTON; ALGAE; GROWTH; PRODUCTION; TEMPERATURE; LIGHT; NUTRIENTS

TAXONOMY: SYNEDEA; ACHNANTHES; NAVICULA; CYMBELLA; GOMPHONEMA

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., Great Lakes, Lake Superior

Laboratory and field studies were conducted to evaluate the importance of periphyton in western Lake Superior with special reference to the make-up and distribution of the periphyton growths and to the overall importance of productive capacity of this assemblage of organisms. The taxonomic portion of the investigation indicated that over 90% of the total number of organisms were diatoms and that the phyla to which these diatoms belonged were the Chrysophyta, the Chlorophyta, and the Cyanophyta. Predominant genera were SYNEDEA, ACHNANTHES, NAVICULA, CYMBELLA, and GOMPHONEMA. In many respects, the periphyton of Lake Superior was similar to that found in streams and there was evidence that the interrelated factors that affected periphyton growths were temperature, light intensity, depth of water, water movements, nutrient levels, and the type of substrate. Artificially denuded rocks demonstrated definite re-growth but after 46 days this growth level was

only 18% of that occurring naturally. The mean total counts of organisms in the primary sampling area ranged from 497,000 to 1,470,000 per square centimeter of rock surface. Studies of the pigment concentrations showed that the biomass of periphyton along the North Shore of Lake Superior resemble those of other oligotrophic bodies of water and range from 0.338 to 3.59 mg of total pigment per 100 square centimeters of rock surface. Pigment ratios indicated that the Lake Superior periphyton was dominated by the Chrysophyta. Assimilation values for Stony Point Bay averaged 1.48 grams of carbon fixed per gram of chlorophyll in 1967. In Stony Point Bay, the total standing crop in terms of dry weight was 55.5 tons. In re-growth studies, chlorophyll levels were observed to increase by an average of 0.057 grams (57 μg) per square meter per day. The efficiency of energy utilization in Stony Point Bay was found to be 0.082%, a typical value for algal communities.

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Removal of Chromate from Cooling Tower Blowdown by Reaction with Electrochemically Generated Ferrous Hydroxide

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Environ. Sci. Tech. 7(4), 333-337; 1973

COOLING TOWERS; CHROMIUM; TONS; BLOWDOWN; FERROUS HYDROXIDE; PRECIPITATION; REMOVAL

Treatment of cooling tower blowdown with electrochemically generated $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2$ quantitatively reduced $\text{Cr}(\text{VI})$ to $\text{Cr}(\text{III})$ and concurrently precipitated it without pH adjustment. Concentrations of $\text{Cr}(\text{VI})$ of less than 0.005 mg/l were achieved. $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2$ treatment also precipitated a large fraction of the phosphate and other ions (anions) to improve product effluent quality significantly with respect to total dissolved solids. Steady-state generation of $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2$ in blowdown was accomplished with high Faraday efficiency in a flow cell which utilized sacrificial low-carbon steel anodes and stainless steel cathodes. Colloids were formed under most electrolysis conditions, and special procedures were required to obtain filterable precipitates.

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Sediment Water Interactions

Oshwald, W.R.

J. Environ Qual 1(4), 360-366; 1972

FISH; FOOD CHAINS; TURBIDITY; EUTROPHICATION; SEDIMENTS; WATER

Sediment originating from soil erosion has physical, chemical, and biological effects on water resource use. Sediment particles pollute water to the extent that their presence reduces water quality for a particular use. The physical presence of sediment produces turbidity. Turbid water has impaired water quality for most uses. Reduction in light penetration due to suspended sediment may alter oxygen relationships in surface water. Production of fish and other aquatic life is reduced by excess turbidity. Taste and odor, temperature, and abrasiveness of water may be altered by the physical presence of sediment.

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Cadmium Residues in the Environment

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Residue Rev. (REVUE), 48, 1-44; 1973

REVIEW; CADMIUM; TOXICITY; FOOD; SOILS; WATER; ATMOSPHERE; PLANTS; HUMANS; BACKGROUND LEVELS; INDUSTRY; PRODUCTS; CONTAMINATION

A review with 79 references dealing with dealing with the natural occurrence, production, uses, and residues of cadmium in soil, water, air, vegetation, and foods, and human toxicity.

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A Survey of the Lead Content of Fish from 49 New York State Waters

Pakkala, I.S.; White, M.W.; Burdick, G.E.; Harris, P.J.; Lisk, D.J.

Pesticides Monitoring Journal, 5(4), 348-354; 1972, March

LEAD; WATER; LAKES; RIVERS; FISH; CONCENTRATION; TOXICITY; TOXIC MECHANISMS; GILLS; SKIN; SEAFOOD; SHELLFISH; ENRICHMENT; ENZYMES; SULPHYDRYL GROUPS; SPECIES; SEX; AGE

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NY), New York, Cayuga Lake, Lake Canadice, Lake Canadiagua, Lake Erie, Lake Hemlock, Lake Pleasant, Lake Raguette, Hudson River, Great Lakes

An analytical survey was made of the total lead content of 419 fish of various species sampled in 1969 from 49 New York State waters and a group of lake trout samples in 1970 from Cayuga Lake only. Most often, lead concentrations ranged from 0.3 to 1.5 ppm, but a few samples contained levels up to 3 ppm. Fish from certain waters included Lakes Canadice, Canadiagua, Erie, Hemlock, Pleasant, and Raguette and the Hudson River showed higher lead levels more consistently than fish from other waters. No correlation was noted between lead concentration and the size, species, or sex of fish, and lead did not appear to be cumulative in the lake trout of known age up to 12 years from Cayuga Lake.

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Release, Fixation and Transport of Mercury

Parks, G.A.; Dickson, P.W.; Leckie, J.O.; McCarty, P.L.; Berendsen, P.; Perring, K.L.

Part of Trace Elements in Water: Origin, Fate, and Control: 1. Mercury, Progress Report, Stanford University, March 1, 1972 to February 1, 1973 (p. 65-109) 247 p.; 1973

TRANSFORMATION; MERCURY; OXIDATION; VOLATILIZATION; ALKYLATION; CINNABAR; KINETICS; ANAEROBIC SYSTEMS; SOLUBILITY; VAPOR PRESSURE; SEDIMENTS; METHYLMERCURY; SLUDGE; AEROBIC SYSTEMS; SULPHIDES; METHYLATION; LEACHING; ANALYSIS; FIXATION; TRANSPORT

Studies on transformation of mercury from one form to another have concentrated on microbiologically mediated changes, with emphasis on oxidation of sulfides of mercury, volatilization of Hg(II), and alkylation. Direct evidence for microbial mediation of HgS oxidation has not yet been obtained as the chemistry has proven to be quite complex. Hg(II) released by oxidation of cinnabar (HgS) is tightly adsorbed back onto remaining cinnabar, making analysis

difficult. Impure synthetic metacinnabar is oxidized much more rapidly than cinnabar, especially at high and low pH. Thus, form as well as environmental conditions is highly important in kinetics of oxidation. Tracer studies are continuing in order to separate biological and chemical factors, and leaching studies using mercury ores and mine waste have begun. Hg(II) added to biological systems was volatilized, probably through conversion of HgO, in varying degrees. Greatest volatilization was observed in aerobic systems, and was brought about by the presence of certain biological growth media, and by sterilized effluents from secondary wastewater treatment plants. In other cases it was associated directly with the growth of microorganisms. The extent of volatilization was reduced by suspended solids, perhaps through formation of unreactive complexes of by adsorption of the volatile species. Volatilization was insignificant in anaerobic systems where the potential for complex formation was high. The ease of reduction (Hg(II) to HgO) implied by volatilization losses, the relatively high solubility and vapor pressure of metallic mercury, and the presence of metallic mercury in sediments combine to form a strong case for the significance of metallic mercury as a source material. The same case can be made for HgO (aq) and mercury vapor as highly mobile forms of mercury in the environment. Methylmercury was found in digested sludge from a municipal treatment plant and was increased in concentration through addition of Hg(II). Analysis by extraction techniques also suggest it is formed in aerobic systems using synthetic media, but confirmation is required. The concentration of methylmercury formed is a function of Hg(II) added. Current emphasis is on a survey for evidence of methylmercury formation in benthic sediments from the study area.

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Methylation of Mercury by Microorganisms; Technical Research Project Termination Rept., 1 Sep. 71-30 June 72,

Parks, Leo W.; MacDonald, Elizabeth M.S.; Oregon State Univ., Corvallis. Water Resources Research Inst.

Monitoring Agency Rept. No. W72-14921, OWRR-A-015-ORR(1); Proj. OWRR-A-015-ORR; 23p.; 1972, June 30

ANALYSIS; DITHIZONE ANALYSIS; MERCURY; ION EXCHANGE; MERCURY COMPOUNDS; CHEMICAL ANALYSIS; ION EXCHANGE RESINS; ERRORS; PURIFICATION; IMPURITIES; COLORIMETRIC ANALYSIS; ORGANOMERCURIALS; CHELATION

Both organic and inorganic forms of mercury are analyzed by a modification of the classical dithizone method in the range 0-50 microgram. The separation of mercury from the bulk of interfering ions such as Cu(+2), Fe(+3), Bi(+3), Hg(+2), Ca(+2), and Na(+) can be accomplished simply by use of chelating resins. No satisfactory method of separating inorganic mercury compounds from organomercurial compounds by differential elution was found. Mercury is not appreciably volatile in hot oxidizing acidic solution and the elaborate refluxing systems of the standard dithizone method are unnecessary.

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Theory of Water Movement in Soils. Part 9: The Dynamics of Capillary Rise

Parlange, J.Y.; Aylor, D.

Soil Sci. 114(2), 79-81; 1972

WATER MOVEMENT; SOILS; NUMERICAL SOLUTION;
CAPILLARY ACTION; MATHEMATICAL METHODS; MODELS

A simple analytical representation for the one-dimensional capillary rise of water in porous media is derived in this work, which is valid for all times. The present solution reduces to the proper limits both for $t \rightarrow 0$ and for $t \rightarrow \infty$. For the case of Volo clay, the analytical solution and Philip's numerical solution are in complete agreement for times up to 10 (6) sec., which is the limit of validity for Philip's time series expansion. However, Philip's time series expansion. However, Philip's solution describes only the early stages of the capillary rise, typically less than 10 per cent of the complete rise, while the present technique describes the whole phenomenon.

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Preliminary Survey of Mercury and Other Metals Contained in Animals From the Fraser River Mudflats

Parsons, T.R.; Bawden, C.A.; Heath, W.A.; Inst. Oceanogr., Univ. of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C.

J. Fish. Res. Board Can. (JFRBAC), 30(7), 1015-16; 1973

METALS; CRAB; MOLLUSCS; MERCURY; SILVER; CADMIUM;
COPPER; SEWAGE OUTFALLS; SEWAGE

TAXONOMY: CRASSOSTREA GIGAS; MYA ARENARIA;
MYTILUS EDULUS

Crabs taken from the Sturgeon Bank of the Fraser River mudflats contained 7-fold the amount of mercury of crabs of comparable size taken from the Roberts bank, the Cowichan River estuary, or Kitimat Arm. The mean Hg content of molluscs from Sturgeon Bank was 0.33 ppm, compared with 0.12 ppm in those from other areas. Silver, cadmium, and copper levels were also higher in animals from Sturgeon Bank, while cobalt, manganese, nickel, lead, and zinc levels showed no geographic pattern. The Vancouver city sewer outfall, rather than the Fraser River itself, is probably the source of high heavy metal concentrations.

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Spreading of Heavy Metals in Flowing Water in the Region of Occurrence of Natural Deposits and of the Zinc and Lead Industry

Pasternak, K.; Zak. Biol. Wod., Pol. Akad. Nauk, Cracow, Poland

Acta Hydrobiol., 15(2), 145-66; 1973

HEAVY METALS; STREAMS; WATER; LEAD; ZINC; MINING;
INDUSTRY

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Occurrence and Cumulation of Microcomponents in Bottom Sediments of Dam Reservoirs of Southern Poland

Pasternak, K.; Gliniski, J.

Acta Hydrobiol., 14(3), 225-255; 1972

ACCUMULATION; SEDIMENTS; LEAD; ZINC; DAMS;
RESERVOIRS; WATER

The total amount of microcomponents in sediments depends above all on their grain composition. An exception here are sediments of reservoirs supplied with strongly polluted water. The quantitative differentiation of microcomponents within each granulometric group of sediments, as well as between single samples from various zones of the reservoirs, shows a tendency to a relationship with the quantity and quality of clayey and organic matter in the sediment. The presence in the substratum of the catchment basin of the reservoirs of rock layers containing Zn and Pb minerals, or dust coming from the Zn and Pb industries, have some influence on the increase in the amount of these components in the sediments. The main source of microcomponents in the sediments of pure reservoirs are suspensions brought in by the water of the river, and remains of organisms developing in the reservoirs. The degree of cumulation of microcomponents in the sediments of dam reservoirs is much higher than in land soils and the soils of fish-ponds. The degree of concentration of some microcomponents in the sediments of polluted reservoirs corresponds in general to the quantity and quality of pollution.

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Radioecology of Certain Molluscs in Indian Coastal Waters

Patel, B.; Valanju, P.; Mulay, C.; Balani, M.; Patel, S.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment. Vienna-International Atomic Energy Agency (pp. 307-330). From Symposium on the Interaction of Radioactive Contaminants with the Constituents of the Marine Environment, Seattle, Washington, USA, 10 Jul 1972, 14 Jul 1972, See STR/PUB-313-CONF-720708; 1973

AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; CALCIUM; CESIUM 137; COASTAL WATERS; CESIUM; COBALT; COBALT 58; COBALT 60; COPPER; DIFFUSION; SKELETON; FOOD CHAINS; GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT; SALTWATER; IODINE 131; IRON; LIVER; MAGNESIUM; MANGANESE; IODINE; MARINE DISPOSAL; METABOLISM; MOLLUSCS; NICKEL; PHOSPHORUS; POTASSIUM; RADIOACTIVE WASTE DISPOSAL; RADIONUCLIDES; KINETICS; RADIONUCLIDE MIGRATION; MIGRATION; RETENTION; STRONTIUM; TISSUES; UPTAKE; ZINC; TISSUE DISTRIBUTION

TAXONOMY: APLYSIA BENEDICTI

Knowledge of the distribution patterns of stable elements in the marine biosphere is an essential prerequisite for understanding the problems of radioactive contamination of marine biota, especially as regards indicator species. This paper discusses the distribution of a few major and trace elements of metabolic significance in the sea-hare APLYSIA BENEDICTI Eliot, which moves shorewards in coastal waters during colder months. The population was found to accumulate trace elements belonging to iron family atomic nos. 23-28). Of the various tissues analysed, the hepatopancreas and intestine including the gut-content showed higher concentrations of Co, Fe and Ni, whereas Fe was deposited in buccal mass. The bio-accumulation of Zn, Cu, Sr and Ca in whole animal and various tissues is also discussed in relation to environment. The APLYSIA BENEDICTI population from Tarapur waters which receive radioactive wastes (I-131, Cs-137, Cr-51, Co-60, Mn-54, etc.) from a boiling-water reactor, was found to accumulate Co-58 and Co-60 in the soft-tissues. Hepatopancreas and gut-content contained the highest concentration of radiocobalt. Iodine-131, on the other hand, was concentrated in horny internal shell, possibly as a means for disposal. The spawn chords of this species were also found to accumulate I-131 from the environment. This species could therefore be used as an indicator of radionuclides of cobalt, although its occurrence in nearshore waters is strictly seasonal.

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Radioecology of Benthic Fishes off Oregon

Pearcy, W.G.; Vanderploeg, H.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-14, 245-259, 786p.; 1973

RADIOECOLOGY; BENTHOS; FISH; ZINC; ZINC 65; COBALT; COBALT 60; MANGANESE; MANGANESE 54; CERIUM 144; CERIUM; CESIUM 137; CESIUM; POTASSIUM; POTASSIUM 40; COASTAL WATERS; SPECIFIC ACTIVITY; RADIONUCLIDES; TRANSPORT; WATER

TAXONOMY: LYPOSETTA EXILIS; SEBASTOLOBUS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NW), Oregon, Coast

Gamma-emitting radionuclides were found in benthic fishes from depths of 50-2800 m off the Oregon coast from 1964-1971; Zn-65, Co-60, Mn-54, Ce-144, Cs-137 and K-40 were present. Zinc-65, originating mainly from the nuclear reactors on the Columbia River, was the predominant artificially induced radionuclide. Levels of Zn-65 per gram and specific activities of Zn-65 decreased markedly in several species of fishes between 1965 and 1971 because of the shutdown of reactors. This decrease was greater for small than for large LYPOSETTA EXILIS during 1970-1971. Specific activities decreased with increasing depth, both for individual species inhabiting broad depth ranges and for different species inhabiting different depths. Specific activities of Zn-65 were inversely related to body size for L. EXILIS and SEBASTOLOBUS. Other variations of Zn-65 were related to trophic position. Fishes that preyed on low trophic level pelagic animals had higher specific activities than fishes that preyed on benthic invertebrates. Such pelagic feeders may play an important role in accelerating the transport of some radionuclides or elements to the sea floor.

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Heavy Metals in Somerset Marine Organisms

Peden, J.D.; Crothers, J.R.; Waterfall, C.E.; Beasley, J.; Cty. Anal. Lab., Cty. Hall, Taunton/Somerset, England

Mar. Pollut. Bull. (NPBBAZ) 4(1), 7-9; 1973

CADMIUM; MARINE ORGANISMS; HUMANS; HEAVY METALS; SALTWATER; KIDNEYS; LIMPETS; ANALYSES; MOLLUSCS

TAXONOMY: PATELLA VULGATE

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: England, Somerset, Devon, Taunton

Limpets PATELLA VULGATE from 11 cities along the Somerset coast and 4 from Devon had concentrations rising to very high levels toward Ansonmouth. Limpets collected from near low tide mark contain more Cd than individuals living in a higher situation. Analyses of a number of apparently normal human organs from accident victims showed very high levels of Cd in 87 kidneys. These levels are approximately equivalent to 5.80 ppm of the wet wt. There is virtually no Cd present in the kidneys of the new-born child.

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The Roles of Food and Water in the Accumulation of Radionuclides by Marine Teleost and Elasmobranch Fish

Penttreath, P.J.

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FOOD CHAINS; BIOACCUMULATION; MARINE TELEOST; ELASMOBRANCH FISH; FISH; CESIUM; CESIUM 137; TOXICITY; BIOLOGICAL HALF-TIMES; GASTROINTESTINAL ABSORPTION

A theoretical estimation of the input of many radionuclides into fish, and the relevant roles of food and water, is formulated on the basis of known concentration factors. The importance and methods of estimation of biological half-times in such calculations is also discussed. The accumulation of many fission product nuclides is low due to poor absorption across the gut wall, with the exception of soluble elements such as caesium-137 where both food and water play an equal part. For many neutron activation products, however, the contribution from water alone may be considered to be very small. Experimental evidence is given on the accumulation of certain neutron activation products from water by both teleost and elasmobranch marine fish in relation to their large stable element pools, water fluxes and drinking rates. Calculations on the required dietary input are equated with known feeding rates, and the required retention of such elements is compared with results obtained both from labelled pellets introduced into the gut and from labelled food species. The results imply that, unlike caesium-137, which is increased along the food chain, many neutron activation products (heavy metals) are decreased in concentration at such higher trophic levels. The implication of such work for metal toxicity studies is also discussed.

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Accumulation from Water of Zinc-65, Manganese-54, Cobalt-58, and Iron-59 by the Mussel, MYTILUS EDULIS

Penttreath, P.J.; Fish. Radiobiol. Lab., Minist. Agric. Fish. Food, Lowestoft/Suffolk, England

J. Mar. Biol. Ass. U.K. (JMBAAK), 53(1), 127-43; 1973

MUSSELS; UPTAKE; RADIONUCLIDES; IRON; ZINC; ZINC 65; IRON 59; SALTWATER; MANGANESE; COBALT; MANGANESE 54; COBALT 58; BIOACCUMULATION MODELS

TAXONOMY: MYTILUS EDULIS

The accumulation from sea water of Zn-65, Mn-54, Fe-59, and Co-58 by the mussel, MYTILUS EDULIS, has been studied in relation to the stable element levels of these isotopes both in the sea water and in individual tissues. For all four radionuclides the greatest accumulation occurred in the stomach and digestive gland samples and further localization of Zn-65 and Fe-59 was demonstrated by autoradiography. As the animals were starved during the accumulation period the loss of stable elements by individual tissues was also followed. Again the most notable effect occurred in the digestive gland tissues with the

exception of a large loss of iron by the foot. Autoradiography showed that after two weeks accumulation Fe-59 occurs in large clusters in the foot, notable in the byssus gland area. These clusters disappear after a further two week period and may thus be secreted into new byssus threads. The accumulation of nuclides was examined using a single exponential model and values obtained for flux rates, biological half times and a symptotic values were compared with the stable element concentration factors. An analysis of parameters of exchange of nuclides in individual tissues with the water was further examined using the Kendall coefficient of concordance which demonstrated that the highest exchange occurs in the order of stomach and digestive gland is greater than gill is greater than foot is greater than mantle is greater than gonad is greater than adductor. The application of Friedman test of two-way analysis of variance indicated that the order obtains for all four nuclides studied, despite the fact that in the aquaria used zinc and cobalt were largely soluble; that manganese was partly in the particulate form with the radionuclide used; and that iron was largely particulate in both stable and active forms. There is an indication that as well as accumulating nuclides via particulate matter in suspension the mucus itself is capable of sequestering them, even though they are in the soluble form, and may even preferentially accumulate soluble forms. The actual role of water in the accumulation of the nuclides studied appears to be relatively minor compared with that of food accumulation as estimated by difference from the calculated stable element values.

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Physico-Chemical Characteristics of Five Ruthenium Salts During Freshwater to Marine Transition

Peperstraete, H.; Vos, J.; Van Puybroeck, S.; Vanderborght, O.

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PHYSICOCHEMISTRY; RUTHENIUM; RUTHENIUM SALTS; FRESHWATER; SALTWATER; ELECTROPHORESIS; BIOLOGICAL AVAILABILITY

The changes in physico-chemical characteristics such as mobility in high-voltage electrophoresis, of different Ru-salts in solution are considered during their transition from fresh water to marine conditions. The biological availability for some indicator organisms is also assessed under the same controlled laboratory conditions. The five tested solutions of Ru salts show a different electrophoretic separation pattern. This pattern changes by aging, probably principally by polymer formation. Dilution has no marked influence on this pattern, neither after dilution with fresh water nor with seawater.

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Distribution of Cadmium, Cobalt, Copper, Iron, Manganese, Nickel, Lead and Zinc in Dissolved and Particulate Solids from 2 Streams in Tennessee

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J. Hyrol. (Amst.), 15(3), 177-186; 1972

DISTRIBUTION: CADMIUM; COBALT; COPPER; IRON; MANGANESE; NICKEL; LEAD; ZINC; PARTICULATE SOLIDS; STREAMS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (SE), Tennessee (NE)

In order to study metal distribution in streams, four water samples were taken from two streams in northeast Tennessee. One drains an area of exposed minor zinc mineralization. Three classes of solids were extracted from the water: coarse particulates (greater than 1500 Å), colloidal particulates (less than 1500 Å, greater than 100 Å) and dissolved solids. Each particulate fraction was extracted by continuous flow ultracentrifugation. The dissolved solids in the remaining effluent were recovered by evaporation. Of the total solid, the dissolved fraction accounts for over 95%; colloids make up less than 1%. The three solid fractions were totally dissolved and analyzed for Cd, Co, Cu, Fe, Mn, Ni, Pb and Zn. The dissolved solids always contain the lowest concentrations of metal (ppm metal in solid); the colloids have the highest, typically more than 10 times that of the dissolved material. The coarse particulates occupy an intermediate position. Despite its low concentration, generally over 90% of each metal occurs in the dissolved state. Less than 10% occurs with the coarse particulates, less than 1% as colloids.

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Trace Metals in Solway Firth Sediments

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Mar. Pollut. Bull. (MPNBZ), 4(4), 59-61; 1973

TRACE METALS; ESTUARIES; SEDIMENTS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Scotland, Solway Firth

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Mercury in Tuna. Review

Peterson, C.L.; Klave, W.L.; Sharp, G.D.; Scripps Inst. Oceanogr., Inter-Am. Trop. Tuna Comm., La Jolla, CA

NOAA Fish. Bull. (PSYBAY), 71(3), 603-613; 1973

REVIEW: MERCURY; TUNA; FISH

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Neutron Activation Analysis of Some of the Biologically Active Trace Elements in Fish

Pillay, K.K.S.; Thomas, C.C., Jr.; Hyche, C.H.

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NEUTRON ACTIVATION ANALYSIS; TRACE ELEMENTS; FISH; ANALYSIS; COPPER; MERCURY; ZINC; CADMIUM; ARSENIC; SELENIUM; CHROMIUM; CHEMICAL SEPARATION; SAMPLE PREPARATION; WALLEYE; YELLOW PERCH; WHITE BASS; CHANNEL CATFISH; FRESHWATER DRUM; CARP; COHO SALMON; WHITE SUCKER; GIZZARD SHAD; AGE VARIATIONS; BIOACCUMULATION; BIOCONCENTRATION

High specific neutron activation analysis procedures involving post irradiation chemical separations were developed for the determination of copper, mercury, zinc, cadmium, arsenic, selenium and chromium in fish tissues. The procedures developed were used to determine the levels of these biologically active elements in some of the commercially important fish species of Lake Erie. The nuclear analytical procedures developed generally involved the irradiation of fish tissues followed by wet-ashing in the presence of nonradioactive carriers. From the homogeneous solution of the tissue digest, the elements of interest were chemically isolated and the radioactivities were measured by scintillation gamma ray spectrometry. The results reported included both the determination of the precision and accuracies of each of these elemental analyses and a survey of these seven elements in nine major fish species of Lake Erie.

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Mercury Pollution of Lake Erie Ecosystem

Pillay, K.K.S.; Thomas, C.C., Jr.; Sordel, J.A.; Hyche, C.H.

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MERCURY; AIR; PARTICULATES; SEDIMENTS; PLANKTON; ALGAE; WATER; BRAIN; HUMANS; NEUTRON ACTIVATION ANALYSIS; FISH; FISH TISSUES; COAL; WALLEYE; YELLOW PERCH; WHITE BASS; CHANNEL CATFISH; FRESHWATER DRUM; CARP; COHO SALMON; WHITE SUCKER; GIZZARD SHAD; SMALLMOUTH BASS; SMELT

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., Great Lakes, Lake Erie

The distribution of mercury in the ecosystem of Lake Erie was monitored using a highly sensitive and reliable neutron activation analysis procedure. A variety of samples from the fauna and flora of the lake as well as those from its immediate environment were analyzed for their mercury content. The results of this survey indicate a widespread distribution of mercury in air particulates; coal samples of the region; sediments, plankton/algae and fish samples from the lake; and in the brain tissues of long-term residents of the Lake Erie Basin. Air particulates from 4 stations in Buffalo ranged from 1-30 nanograms per cubic meter, with wide variations due to atmospheric conditions.

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Incomplete Exchange Reaction Between Radioactive
Ionic Zinc and Stable Natural Zinc in Seawater

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Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the
International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA,
July 10-14, 1972 (29-44), 786 p.; 1973

AQUEOUS SOLUTIONS; ISOTOPES; ISOTOPIC EXCHANGE;
RADIOISOTOPES; KINETICS; SALTWATER; SODIUM
CHLORIDE; ZINC; ZINC 65; COMPLEXES

An apparatus which permits the simultaneous
determination of stable and radioactive ionic
zinc in aqueous solution is described. With this
apparatus it is possible to investigate the
exchange reactions between stable ionic and
complexed zinc and radioactive ionic zinc in NaCl
solution and seawater. In NaCl (34% S), in
presence of a complexing agent, after about one
hour the Zn 65 is distributed between the
non-complexed and complexed fractions in the same
way as the stable isotope is not uniformly
distributed in all physico-chemical states
present in the seawater but it dilutes only in
the ionic and particulated fractions. Even one
year after the addition of Zn 65 the radioactive
zinc has not entered the complexed fraction. The
consequences of this fractionation for the
interpretation of tracer experiments and hazard
evaluation are discussed.

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Heavy Metals in British Waters

Preston, A.; Fish. Food Fish. Lab., Minist.
Agric., Lowestoft, Engl.

Nature (London) (Naturas), 242(5393), 95-7; 1973

METALS; SALTWATER; SEAWEEDES

Seawater sampling revealed that certain areas of
British coastal waters have elevated
concentrations of some metals by comparison with
the general levels prevailing in other areas.
Analyses of seaweed samples from these "polluted"
areas a decade ago showed overall no significant
differences in concentration except for cadmium,
which may have fallen, on the average.

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British Isles Coastal Waters the Concentrations
of Selected Heavy Metals in Sea Water Suspended
Matter and Biological Indicators a Pilot Survey

Preston, A.; Jefferies, D.F.; Dutton, J.W.R.;
Harvey, B.R.; Steele, A.K.

Environmental Pollution, 3, 69-82; 1972

WATER; SALTWATER; METALS; SUSPENDED MATTER;
BIOLOGICAL INDICATORS; SEA WEEDS; SEDIMENTS;
BIOACCUMULATION; SAMPLING; ZINC; COPPER; IRON;
MANGANESE; NICKEL; SILVER; CADMIUM; LEAD; ATOMIC
ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY; FUCUS; PORPHYRA;
LYMPHS; CONCENTRATION FACTOR; TRACE ELEMENTS;
PLANTS; ALGAE

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Great Britain, Coastal
Waters

Data, from British Isles coastal waters, on the
concentrations of selected metals in sea water
and biological indicators, have been obtained by
analytical techniques based on atomic absorption
spectrophotometry. The results show that there
are some areas where significant contamination
exists, and the east Irish Sea appears to have
the highest concentrations of most metals.
However, data in most regions indicate that the
concentrations of the metals examined are not
significantly higher than those in the open
Atlantic Ocean adjacent to the British Isles.
The sampling of seaweeds strongly suggests that
concentrations of most metals, including those in
polluted areas, have changed little over the ten
years up to 1970; the concentrations of cadmium
may well, on average, have fallen over this
period. In the Irish Sea, where the most
detailed examination has been made, there is a
rapid decrease in sea water concentrations from
the shoreline to offshore, and in general, the
proportions of a metal associated with suspended
matter remain fairly constant with respect to
variations of total concentrations in either time
or space.

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Heavy Metal Content of Surface and Ground Waters of the Springfield-Joplin Areas, Missouri

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COPPER; LEAD; ZINC; CADMIUM; MERCURY; IRON; SEASONAL VARIATIONS; WATER; GROUND WATER; SURFACE WATERS; MINING

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., Missouri, Springfield, Joplin

Some 200 water samples were collected in fall, spring and summer from springs, streams, lakes and selected water wells within a radius of six miles from the populous centers of Springfield and Joplin, Missouri, respectively. Samples were analyzed for copper, lead, zinc, cadmium, mercury and iron. Joplin is within a former very productive zinc mining district. Springfield lies 72 miles to the east. Water well samples represent deep and shallow rock sources. Heavy metal contents in the waters show local concentrations in each area. Heavy metal highs are generally related to known mineralization. Seasonal variations in metal contents are generally restricted to the surface or near surface environment and certain metals. Locally, cadmium, lead, zinc, and iron exceed the acceptable PHS limits for public drinking water. The majority of water samples, however, have heavy metal contents well below the established PHS limits. Maximum ranges of heavy metal values for the two areas are in ppb: Joplin: copper (less than 1-330), lead (less than 1-18), zinc (less than 10-11,500), mercury (less than 0.1), cadmium (less than 1-16), iron (less than 1-119,000); Springfield: copper (less than 1-31), lead (less than 1-70), zinc (less than 1-8,500), mercury (less than 0.1-0.77), cadmium (less than 0.1-1), iron (less than 1-455). High zinc values are related to known lead-zinc mineralization in the Joplin area, and to lead-zinc prospects east of Springfield. Average cadmium values are slightly higher in the Joplin area. Copper and lead average values are quite similar for both areas. Zinc is higher in deep wells in Springfield versus the deep wells of Joplin. Average zinc values for shallow wells are quite similar. Surface waters in the Joplin area have much higher zinc values than those in Springfield. Mercury is higher in the Springfield area but in very low quantity. Iron values are higher and more variable in shallow wells in the Joplin area and lower in the streams there.

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Absorption of Nickel and Cobalt (Biogenic forms) from Sea Water by Natural Iron and Manganese Hydroxides

Pronina, N.V.; Varentsov, I.N.; Spektorova, L.V.; Spektorov, K.S.; Ovsyannikova, N.; Geol. Inst., Moscow, USSR

Geokhimiya (BEOKAG), (6), 876-87; 1973

NICKEL; ABSORPTION; COBALT; IRON; MANGANESE; SALTWATER; HYDROXIDE

TAXONOMY: PLATINONAS SP

The absorption of nickel and cobalt was experimentally studied using deionized sea water and with the addition of biogenic forms of nickel and cobalt from planktonic algae (PLATINONAS SP.) the nickel and cobalt concentrations were estimated polarographically. The rate of removal of Ni (20.0-47) and Co (28.0-44 microgram/l) was determined and is related to the flow rate of the sea water (in the dynamic variant) and to the time of interaction (in the static variant). The initial stages of absorption have an ion-exchange character. During the later stages, nonexchangeable difficulty-absorbable Co and Ni complexes were formed. The chelation is accompanied by the autocatalytic oxidation of these metals. Under both the dynamic and static conditions, the absorption of Co is higher than that of Ni.

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Uptake of Metal Ions by Lichens. Modified Ion-Exchange Process

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New Phytol. (NEPHAV), 72(2), 329-42; 1973

METALS; IONS; UPTAKE; LICHENS; EXCHANGE PROCESSES; ION EXCHANGE; COMPLEXES; IRON; COPPER; NICKEL; ZINC; LEAD

Heavy metal ions were absorbed by lichens to different degrees in laboratory experiments. The relative capacities for uptake from solutions containing a single metal ion were Fe, Cu is greater than Ni is greater than Pb is greater Co is greater than Zn. Competitive uptake studies revealed the selectivity sequence Fe is greater than Pb is greater than Cu is greater than Ni, Zn is greater than Co. The sequences are in accord with a cation uptake mechanism involving exchange modified by metal-complex formation. Correlations between laboratory studies and the metal content of lichens growing in the vicinity of a smelter are discussed.

410
Radionuclide Transport in an Aquatic Model System
Parushothaman, K.

Part of Hemphill, Delbert D. (Ed.), Trace
Substances in Environmental Health. IV.
Columbia, MO. - University of Missouri,
(174-185); 1971

TRANSPORT; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; MODEL ECOSYSTEM;
CESIUM 137; CLAYS; CONTAMINATION; WICKUP; POWER
REACTORS; RADIOACTIVE WASTES; MIGRATION;
RADIONUCLIDES; RIVERS; STRONTIUM 85; WASTE
DISPOSAL; WATER; CESIUM; STRONTIUM

The radioactive wastes at very low concentrations as released by the nuclear power facilities into an aquatic system pose complex problems such as the transport of the radionuclides for further dilution downstream, simple and complex chemical changes of the radionuclide, and the concentration and subsequent release of the radioactive materials in the aquatic biota and sediments depending upon the nature and condition of the environment. The paper deals with the study conducted to evaluate the effects of selected clay suspensions on the transport of Sr-85 and Cs-137 in a model river. An instrumented flume was used to simulate a slow-moving, turbid stream which did not receive any extraneous biodegradable organic pollutant. Modified longitudinal dispersion relationships were used to describe the transport of radionuclides in the turbid stream. Data were obtained from instantaneous release of Sr-85 and Cs-137 with suspended attapulgite and kaolinite clays. Results showed that suspended clays in the model river system produced a significant reduction in the transport of Cs-137. The transport of Sr-85 is not affected to a considerable degree since most of the Sr-85 remained in solution.

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Plankton Populations and Some Effects of Mine Drainage on Primary Productivity of the Coeur d'Alene River, Delta and Lake.; Technical Completion Rept.

Rabe, P.W.; Wissner, R.C.; Hinter, R.F.; Idaho Univ., Moscow. Water Resources Research Inst.

Contract DI-14-01-001-3212; Monitoring Agency Rept. No. OWRP-A-030-IDA(2); Proj. OWRP-A-030-IDA 28p.; 1973, January

ANIMALS; PLANTS; EUTROPHICATION; RIVERS; LAKES; PRODUCTIVITY; ZINC; COPPER; CADMIUM; TOXICITY; METALS; TAILINGS; SILVER; LEAD; PH; BIOASSAY; PHYTOPLANKTON; ZOOPLANKTON; INDUSTRIAL WASTES; ALGAE; SUSPENDED SEDIMENTS; ACIDS; MINES; EXCAVATIONS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: US (NW), Idaho, Coeur d'Alene River

Variations in primary production and physiochemical measurements in the Coeur d'Alene River and Lake in Idaho were examined. These bodies of water have received mine tailings and metallic sulfide minerals for the last 80 years. Metal concentrations for Hg, Cd, Mg, Ca, Pb, Cu, Zn, Fe, Mn and K; water quality and phytoplankton composition-density were determined. Additional sampling included unpolluted portions of Coeur d'Alene Lake and the unaffected St. Joe river. Macroplankton from Coeur d'Alene Lake were exposed to known concentrations of Cu(2+), Cd(2+), Zn(2+) and dilutions of Coeur d'Alene

river water under controlled light and temperature. Inhibitory effects of separate and interacting metals on carbon-14 uptake by algae were assessed with factorial bioassays and response surfaces.

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Plant Uptake of Soil and Atmospheric Lead in Southern California

Rabinowitz, M.B.; Inst. Geophys., Univ. California, Los Angeles, Calif.

Chemosphere (CHSHP) 1(4), 175-80; 1972

UPTAKE; LEAD; ATMOSPHERE; PLANTS; OATS; LETTUCE; SOILS

It was found from growing lettuce and oats in soils with stable isotope tracer, that the concentration of lead in the diffuse roots was about the same as in the soil, while in the leaves, the concentration of lead from the soil was only 0.5 to 3% as much. Atmospheric lead in the water-washed leaves was 50 to 200 ppm in the mountains and 50 to 200 ppm near the freeway. Some of this lead was translocated downward in the plant; 4 to 10 ppm atmospheric lead was found in the tap roots of lettuce grown near the freeway. In commercial lettuce more than 90% of the 3 to 25 ppm lead present was from the atmosphere. Wild oats were found to be a useful indicator of atmospheric lead. A survey in Southern California shows automobile exhaust lead transported 50 to 100 kilometers.

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Lead Metabolism in the Normal Human: Stable Isotope Studies

Rabinowitz, M.B.; Wetherill, G.W.; Kopple, J.D.

Science, 182, 725-727; 1973

LEAD; METABOLISM; HUMANS; ISOTOPES; DIET; TRACERS; LEAD 204; ATMOSPHERE; INHALATION; KINETICS; BLOOD; SKELETON; SOFT TISSUES; MODELS

Kinetic and metabolic balance studies in a healthy man fed a diet normal in lead content and labeled with lead-204 indicated that approximately two thirds of his assimilated lead was dietary in origin; the remainder was inhaled. Kinetic analysis shows that the isotopic data can be interpreted by a three-compartment model: 1. primary blood (erythrocyte); 2. soft tissue; 3. skeleton. No homeostatic mechanisms for maintaining lead concentration in the blood were seen.

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Distribution of Metallic Element Complexes Between an Anion Exchange Resin and Water--Methanol--Hydrochloric Acid Mixtures

Rastoin, M.; Commissariat a L'Energie Atomique, Saclay France. Centre D'Etudes Nucleaires

Commissariat A L'Energie Atomique, Saclay France. Centre D'Etudes Nucleaires, CEA-R-4450; 1973, June

ANIONS; CADMIUM; CADMIUM COMPLEXES; CHLORIDE; ETHANOL; HYDROCHLORIC ACID; ION EXCHANGE; METHANOL; SEPARATION PROCESSES; URANIUM; URANYL COMPOUNDS; WATER

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The Accumulation of Arsenic from Arsenic Rich Natural Waters by Aquatic Plants

Reay, P.F.; Appl. Biochem. Div., Dep. Sci. Ind. Res., Palmerston North, New Zealand

J. Appl. Ecol. 9(2), 557-565; 1972

BIOACCUMULATION; PLANTS; AQUATIC PLANTS; TOXICITY; ARSENIC; WATER; NATURAL WATERS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: New Zealand, Waikato River

Several aquatic plants were found to accumulate As from the Waikato River (New Zealand) to levels well above those associated with toxicity. The species examined differed in the concentrations to which they accumulated (As) and the average values ranged from 30-650 mg/kg of the dry weight. Accumulation was influenced by the amount of As in the water but not by the amount in the river and lake bottoms. The withdrawal of As from the river water by aquatic plants does not seem to markedly affect the discharge of As into the sea.

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The Acute Toxicity of Some Heavy Metals Toward Benthic Organisms

Behvaldt, R.; Lasko, L.; Shaw, C.; Wicowski, F.; Environmental Science Program, Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY

Bull. Environ. Contam. Tox. 10(5), 291-294; 1973

TOXICITY; METALS; BENTHOS; MERCURY; IONS; EGGS; ADULTS; WATER; RIVERS

TAXONOMY: CHIRONOMOUS; GAMMARUS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NY), New York, Hudson River, Poughkeepsie

The acute toxicity of some heavy metals toward benthic organisms in the Poughkeepsie reach of the Hudson River was determined by use of standard TLm (24-96hr). The mercury ion is the most toxic ion studied and is more toxic toward the benthic organisms in this reach than toward the fish studied in the same area. With the exception of CHIRONOMOUS and GAMMARUS, benthic organisms tend to be more able to withstand heavy metal inputs than fish. Also, the eggs are less susceptible to inputs than adults.

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A Hierarchy of Models for the Behavior of Mercury in the Ecosystem

Reiniger, P.; Prinsel, H.J.; Poelstra, P.; Beek, R.

Part of Welsh, C.W. (Edited by). International Atomic Energy Agency Proceedings Series. Nuclear Techniques in Environmental Pollution. Symposium. 810p. illus. NAPS. Unipub, Inc.; New York, N.Y., U.S.A. 407-418; 1971

CHROMATOGRAPHY; TRANSPORT; SOILS; RADIOACTIVITY; MERCURY; MODELS; ECOSYSTEMS; COMPUTER SIMULATION

For locating the key questions in a particular pollution problem, a quantitative insight into the interrelationship of its various processes is necessary. This insight may be obtained by means of a mathematical model. The involved and dynamic nature of pollution problems demands models of a great complexity.

Computer-simulation languages developed recently (Continuous System Simulation Languages) may be a great help in setting up and using such models. They have been employed by the authors to model chromatographic transport processes in soil in view of radioactive pollutants and salinity problems. In the Netherlands an interdisciplinary working group has been set up to study the behaviour of mercury and its compounds in the environment. The possibilities of designing a hierarchy of models for the quantitative description of this problem is illustrated and discussed. In such a hierarchy, each model may be developed and tested separately, but it is essential that the output (results) of a lower model may be used as input for a higher model. This point, and more general aspects of the simulation technique, are demonstrated by the example of two echelons of models dealing with the behaviour of mercury compounds in soil.

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Transfer of Zinc-65 from Sediments by Marine Polychaete Worms

Renfro, E.C.; Int. Lab. Mar. Radioact., Int. At. Energy Agency, Monaco

Mar. Biol. (MBIOAJ), 21(4), 305-316; 1973

POLYCHAETES; WORMS; ZINC 65; UPTAKE; RADIOISOTOPES; SALTWATER; RELEASE; SEDIMENTS

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The Persistence of Heavy Metals in Soils and Natural Vegetation Following Closure of a Smelter

Roberts, T.M.; Goodman, T.G.; Department of Botany, University College of Swansea, South Wales, U.K.

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PERSISTENCE; ZINC; LEAD; SMELTERS; CADMIUM; CONTAMINATION; PLANTS; LEAVES; BIOACCUMULATION; TRACE SUBSTANCES; METALS; SOILS; MOSSES; RUNOFF; WIND; EROSION

TAXONOMY: GYMNOCUPRESSIFORME var. FILIFORME; PESTUCA RUBRA

Permanent closure of a zinc/lead smelter located in the Lower Swansea Valley, South Wales in May 1971, resulted in a marked decrease of zinc, lead and cadmium contamination of leaves of PESTUCA RUBRA. In the absence of substantial metal fallout in the winter of 1971/72, metal accumulation in over-wintering leaves was such reduced compared with corresponding data for the winter of 1970/71. In contrast, quantities of metals in the epiphytic moss, GYMNOCUPRESSIFORME var. FILIFORME reflected the past history of metal fallout, as the amounts in the living tissues decreased only slowly after closure of the smelter. The exchangeable levels of heavy metals in soils of open habitats fell after closure of the smelter as a result of runoff and wind erosion. Extrapolation of the soil data indicates a return to background levels within five years. In contrast, the rate of loss of exchangeable heavy metals from closed grassland communities is much slower which is in agreement with published data.

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Transport and Depletion of Radionuclides in the Columbia River

Robertson, D.E.; Silker, W.B.; Langford, J.C.; Petersen, R.R.; Perkins, R.W.

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RADIONUCLIDES; TRANSPORT; DEPLETION; RIVERS; SEDIMENTS; AQUATIC BIOTA; IRON; IRON 55; ZINC; ZINC 65; EUROPIUM; EUROPIUM 152; EUROPIUM 154; COBALT; COBALT 60; MANGANESE; MANGANESE 54; SCANDIUM; SCANDIUM 46; ANTIMONY; ANTIMONY 125; CERIUM; CERIUM 144; CESIUM; CESIUM 137; PLUTONIUM; PLUTONIUM 239; RADIOACTIVE DECAY; SALTWATER; SCOURING

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NW), Washington, Hanford, Columbia River

The radionuclide transport and depletion processes in the Columbia River are being characterized following the closure of the last of the Hanford plutonium production reactors in January, 1971. Radionuclide concentrations are periodically being measured in river water, sediments and biota between Hanford and Bonneville Dam to determine the rates and mechanisms of the processes which govern the distribution and behaviour of the radionuclides in the Columbia River system. All the short-lived radionuclides in the river have now decayed, but some residual long-lived radionuclides have remained, being associated mainly with sedimentary deposits in the reservoir behind McNary Dam. The most abundant radionuclides remaining in the river are Fe 55, Zn 65, Eu 154, Co 60, Eu 152, Pu 154, Mn 54, and Sc 46. Also present in much lower concentrations are Sb 125, Cs 137, Ce 144, and Pu 239. These radionuclides are tightly bound to the sediments and enter the river mainly by resuspension, especially during the high river flow in the spring and early summer. The depth distributions of radionuclides in sediment cores collected at various locations in the reservoirs behind McNary, The Dalles, and Bonneville dams are being measured to estimate radionuclide inventories, sediment resuspension and transport, and sedimentation rates in the river system. Because present concentrations of radionuclides in the river water are low, large volume water sampling (up to 1000 litres) is required and is being done at the four dam sites downstream from Hanford to determine radionuclide concentrations, physicochemical forces and transport in the river. Over 98% of the Columbia River radionuclides of Hanford origin which enter the river from bottom sediments are in particulate forms. The main mechanism for removing radioactivity from the river system other than by radioactive decay, is by scouring of surface sediments during high river flow, and their subsequent transport into the Pacific Ocean. The dissolution of sediment attached Columbia River radionuclides upon their entry into the marine environment is being studied by leaching Columbia River sediments with seawater. Since the net sediment deposition rate in the reservoir behind McNary Dam has, in the past, been greater than the scouring rate, it appears that eventually the major radioactive sediment deposits in the McNary reservoir will become covered by new, uncontaminated silt deposits.

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Lead Output in Streamflow from a Watershed Ecosystem

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Water Resour. Bull. (WARDAQ) 9(2), 372-5; 1973

LEAD; WATERSHEDS; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; STREAMS; TRANSPORT; MODELS; MATHEMATICAL SOLUTIONS; TETRAETHYL LEAD; AUTOMOBILE EMISSIONS; SEDIMENTS

Investigations of the movements and effects of lead in an 86 square mile watershed ecosystem are currently in progress by an interdisciplinary team of scientists at the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana. The objectives of this study are to understand and mathematically model the movements and effects of lead in an ecosystem. The primary lead input into the system (2,340Kg/30 d) is tetraethyl lead from automobile exhaust. The main output channel for lead in the system is streamflow, including sediment associated lead. Analyses of samples from four stream gaging stations over a six months period showed that lead output in urban vs. rural areas: 1. varies considerably in the dissolved / sediment ratio from 29:1 to 2:1, rural, 5:1 to 2:1; and 2. output is equal to about 70% input, rural 2-3% input. Both of these differences can be attributed to the relatively impervious urban surface area.

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Lead Uptake by Elected Tree Seedlings

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J. Environ. Qual., 2(1), 151-157; 1973

TREES; LEAD; ABSORPTION; SOILS; PHOSPHORUS; UPTAKE; HEAVY METALS

Most of the numerous investigations concerning lead in the environment have dealt with the lead concentrations in various environmental components. These investigations have failed to describe the movement of lead in the environment and factors influencing this movement. Several sources including soil, water, and air give rise to lead in plants. Soil as a source of lead is the concern of this study. The experiment was a completely random design in a factorial arrangement with eight tree species, five soil lead levels (0 to 600 ppm), three soil types, and two phosphate levels (0 to 336 kg/ha) replicated three times. Results indicate statistically significant levels of lead in the leaves, stems, and roots of all eight tree species with all treatment combinations except the control. Uptake was significantly affected by soil lead concentration with higher uptakes associated with higher soil lead levels. Lead uptake by plants was reduced by approximately half when high levels of soil P was present. Other soil factors had no significant effects on lead uptake in the study.

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Modeling Lead Pollution in a watershed--Ecosystem

Rolfe, G.L.; Chaker, A.; Melin, J.; Ewing, B.B.

Journal of Environmental Systems, 2(4), 339-349; 1972, December

LEAD; TRANSPORT; ACCUMULATION; WATERSHEDS; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; CROPS; PASTURES; FORESTS; CITIES; AUTOMOBILE EMISSIONS; AIR; WATER; SOILS; PLANTS; ANIMALS; SEASONAL VARIATIONS; SPATIAL LOCATION; TERRESTRIAL ECOSYSTEMS; MODEL ECOSYSTEM

An interdisciplinary study is in progress at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign under a grant from the National Science Foundation RANN Program. Objectives of the study include understanding and modeling the movements and effects of heavy metals (initially lead) in the environment. A model has been constructed which simulates the movements and predicts the accumulation points of lead in a 76-square mile watershed-ecosystem in Champaign County, Illinois. The model includes components of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems and represents the ecosystem by a network of nodes and branches where the nodes represent the components of the ecosystem in a general sense and the branches indicate possible transport mechanisms between nodes. Results of a two year simulation using a network of 36 nodes and 121 branches is presented. The model provides a method for the study of pollutant transport and accumulation in ecosystems.

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Chemistry of Phenylmercury Compounds in the Aquatic Environment

Rolfe, G.L.; Zepp, R.G.; Gordon, J.A.; Baughman, G.L.

Chemosphere No. 6, 273-278; 1972

PHENYLMERCURY; KINETICS; CLEAVAGE; DIPHENYLMERCURY; DEMERCURATION; WATER; PHENYLMERCURIC SALTS; PH; TEMPERATURE; AQUATIC ENVIRONMENTS; MERCURY

The kinetics of acid cleavage of diphenylmercury and phenylmercuric salts, mercuric-salt cleavage of diphenylmercury, and demercuration of phenylmercuric salts have been examined in water. Acidolysis of diphenylmercury in aqueous solution at 25 degrees C has a half-life of eight days at pH 4, the lowest pH commonly found in natural waters. Cleavage of phenylmercuric salts by acid is at least two orders of magnitude slower. Reactions of diphenylmercury with mercuric salts are strongly pH-dependent and may be important in acid natural waters. Demercuration of phenylmercuric salts is extremely slow even at 120 degrees C and is unimportant in the environmental mercury cycle.

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Radioactivity in Juvenile Columbia River Salmon. Model to Distinguish Differences in Movement and Feeding Habits

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Trans. Amer. Fish. Soc. (TAFSAI), 102(2), 317-22; 1973

SALMON; RIVERS; FALLOUT; RADIOACTIVITY; PHOSPHORUS 32; ZINC 65; FISH; PHOSPHORUS; ZINC; MODELS; FRESHWATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NW), Washington, Columbia River

The P-32 specific activities and Zn-65 concentrations were measured in juvenile salmon collected from the Columbia River during winter and spring of 1969. An environmental uptake study involving marked juvenile chinook salmon indicated that P-32 specific activity values reach a maximum sooner than values for Zn-65 concentration. The uptake study also suggested a short lag period before hatchery fish released to the Columbia River began rapid uptake of P-32 and Zn-65. A graphical model based on P-32 specific activities and Zn-65 concentrations was constructed which allows fish to be classified and differentiated with regard to their past feeding or movement behavior. Use of the model indicated that some hatchery fish released to the river either had feeding behavior unlike other hatchery fish or were not in the Columbia River the entire time from release until collection. Application of the model to a sample of 24 unmarked juvenile salmon collected from the Columbia River revealed several different groups of fish.

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Focus on Marine Ecology

Womeril, M.G.; Mar. Biol. Lab., Cent. Electr. Generating Board, Fawley, England

Chem. Brit. (CHMBAY) 9(3) 103-5; 1973

CHLORINE; POWER PLANTS; EFFLUENTS; NUTRIENTS; METALS; SALTWATER; MARINE ECOLOGY; IRON; COPPER; ZINC; CLAMS; MOLLUSCS; COCKLES

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Detection of Molybdenum Enrichment in the Environment Through Comparative Study of Stream Drainages, Central Colorado

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MOLYBDENUM; ENRICHMENT; STREAMS; FRESHWATER; PLANTS; SOILS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., Colorado

A Major molybdenum deposit is being mined at Climax, CO. Significant quantities of dissolved molybdenum are released into Ten-Mile Creek from the deposit, either naturally or through man's activities. Ten-Mile Creek drains into Dillon Reservoir. Water from this reservoir is used for irrigation and at certain times of the year as drinking water in Denver. The upper Blue River flows parallel to Ten-Mile Creek, but drains an area which is only poorly mineralized and is not mined. By comparison of the content of molybdenum in the natural materials from these two drainages, it is clear that the concentrations found in a highly mineralized, disturbed area are much higher than those in a poorly mineralized, undisturbed area. A third study site in the alpine environment in Colorado consists of a mineralized, undisturbed area at Mt. Aetna in the southern Sawatch Range. Samples from Mt. Aetna demonstrate that the concentrations of molybdenum in water and plants in the alpine environment can be quite low, even when the soils contain high concentrations of the metal.

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Geochemistry of Molybdenum

Runnells, D.D.; Legendre, G.; Lindberg, R.; Brown, D.; Smith, E.; Harthill, M.; Katz, E.

Part of Transport and the Biological Effects of Molybdenum in the Environment, Progress Report, January 1, 1973 (p. 33-63) 375 p.; 1973, January 1

MOLYBDENUM; MINES; MOLYBDENUM MINES; URANIUM MINES; DRINKING WATER; INDUSTRIAL EFFLUENTS; SOILS; PLANTS; INDICATOR PLANTS; WILLOW; TREES; GEOCHEMISTRY; FILTRATION; DISSOLVED SOLIDS; PARTICULATES; ABSORPTION; WELLS; GROUND WATER; MOLYBDENOSIS; SYMPTOMS; DIARRHEA; HAIR LOSS; ALFALFA; SEDIMENTS; WASTE WATER; MOLYBDENUM REMOVAL; TOTAL; LEACHING; GLACIATION; UPTAKE; IRRIGATION; AVAILABILITY

Molybdenum concentration was determined in the streams and soils of Central Colorado near molybdenum mines, uranium mills, and control areas. Values sufficient to cause molybdenosis in cattle in certain areas were found. Alfalfa upon which cattle graze takes up molybdenum deposited from irrigation water. A considerable difference between available and total molybdenum in soils was common. In some areas the molybdenum may have been dispersed from ore deposits by glaciation. In water the molybdenum occurred almost entirely as dissolved solids. Molybdenum (up to 98 percent) was removed from water by adding ferric chloride in solution (up to 10X).

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Response of Fresh-Water Protozoan Artificial Communities to Metals, When an Artificial Fresh-Water Protozoan Community was subjected to different concentrations of Zinc, Copper, Chromium, Phenol, Lead

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J. Protozool., (JPROAZ), 20(1), 127-35; 1973

MANGANESE; COBALT; NITRIC ACID; PROTOZOA; ALUMINUM; ACETIC ACID; COPPER; ZINC; PHENOL; LEAD; FRESHWATER; MANGANESE; COBALT; NITRIC ACID; ACETIC ACID; ALUMINUM; TIN; HYDROCHLORIC ACID

TAXONOMY: PERANEMA TRICHOPOHOUN; ENGLENA GRACILIS

For 3 hr in a test system through which pond water flowed continuously, the percent survival of colonizing species fluctuated with the concentration of each toxicant. Protozoa appeared more resistant to PHOH, K2Cr2O7 and Cu than daphnia; however, some protozoa were more sensitive than daphnia to Zn, HNO3, and HCl. The median tolerance limit values for protozoa exposed to Cu and Zn for 24 hr were: 1.6 and 7.0 mg/l., respectively. Of the substances tested, Cu and Mn were the most toxic; PERANEMA TRICHOPOHOUN and ENGLENA GRACILIS were generally the most resistant species.

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A Revaluation of the Marine Geochemistry of Uranium

Sackett, W.N.; Mo, T.; Spalding, R.F.; Exner, M.E.

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SALTWATER; GEOCHEMISTRY; URANIUM; SEDIMENTS; SINKS; CARBONATES; HUMANS; PHOSPHATE; FERTILIZERS; SOILS; SILICEOUS OZZES

Approximately 10 exponent 15 ug/yr of dissolved uranium are being removed from the ocean by each of the generally accepted significant sinks for uranium-carbonate deposits and deep anoxic basin sediments. However, these sinks account for only 10% of the estimated present-day input of uranium. Possible explanations for this discrepancy are: (1) contemporary input values are too high owing to a significant contribution from man's effects, such as uranium input via phosphate fertilizers or world-wide cultivation leading to premature leaching of uranium from soils, or (2) there are other important uranium sinks such as the abundant siliceous oozes or continental shelf anoxic sediments.

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Behavior of Trace Elements in Seawater and Marine Organisms

Saiki, M.

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1972, April

ALGAE; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; CERIUM 144; CESIUM 137; FALLOUT; FISH; MICROANALYSIS; NIOBIUM 95; QUANTITATIVE CHEMICAL ANALYSIS; RADIONUCLIDES; KINETICS; RADIONUCLIDE MIGRATION; RUTHENIUM 106; SEDIMENTS; STRONTIUM 90; TRACE ELEMENTS; TRACERS; ZIRCONIUM 95; RADIOECOLOGY; SALTWATER

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Transport of Radionuclides in Lake and River Systems Flowing Through Areas Characterized by Precambrian Bedrock and Peat-Bogs

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TRANSPORT; RADIONUCLIDES; LAKES; RIVERS; BEDROCK; PEAT BOGS; CONDUCTIVITY; PH; TURBIDITY; BICARBONATE; STRONTIUM; STRONTIUM 90; CESIUM; CESIUM 137; PHOSPHORUS; NITRATES; AMMONIUM; NITROGEN; SILICATES; SULFATES; CHLORIDE; IRON; ALUMINUM; MANGANESE; COPPER; ZINC; SODIUM; POTASSIUM; MAGNESIUM; CALCIUM; LAKES; RIVERS; SOILS; IONS; ELECTROLITES

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Baltic Bay, Bothnian Bay

Strontium-90 and caesium-137 were determined together with the discharge meter cubed/s and the following stable chemical components: conductivity, pH, colour, turbidity, HCO_3 , PO_4 -P, total-P, NO_3 -N, NH_3 -N, total-N, SiO_3 -Si, SO_4 -S, chloride, iron, aluminium, manganese, copper, zinc, sodium, potassium, magnesium and calcium in two lake and river systems discharging into the Bothnian Bay (Baltic Sea) in 1965-70. The water samples were taken monthly at one sampling station in the smaller (1330 km²) and at five stations in the larger (14315 km²) lake and river system. Deposition was collected at three stations. The ratio was calculated of the deposited amounts to the amounts that are transported concerning the above mentioned radionuclides and some stable components in both the catchment areas and the sub-regions of the lake and river systems. A factor analysis was used in an attempt to find the main factors affecting the behaviour of the different chemical components, especially that of the radionuclides strontium-90 and caesium-137. When interpreting the results of the factor analysis, the chemical factors, the quality of the ground, hydrological features and other possible environmental factors were taken into consideration. The regional differences are discussed. Special attention was paid to the annual changes in the factors affecting the behaviour of strontium-90 and caesium-137. The most obvious factors determining the systems are: (i) That determining the behaviour of the main electrolytes (Mg^{2+} , Na^+ , K^+ , Ca^{2+} , SiO_3 -Si, HCO_3 , Cl-). All these components have good correlations to the discharge (contact time with the ground?); (ii)

The factor common to those variables which show annual variations in their deposition in the catchment areas, e.g. strontium-90; and (iii) A group of factors reflecting the quality of the soil, eventually characterized by the organic (younger) and inorganic (older) constituents of the soil.

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Sorption of Copper on Lake Monona Sediments. Effect of NTA (Nitrilotriacetic Acid) on Copper Release From Sediments

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Water Res. (WATRAG), 7(4), 587-93; 1973

COPPER; SORPTION; SEDIMENT; NITRILOTRIACETIC ACID; NTA; LAKES; SULFIDES; ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

The results of this investigation on the factors controlling the binding capacity of copper by Lake Monona sediments have shown that this capacity is primarily related to the alkalinity (Ca, Mg carbonates present in the sediments). Apparently organics and sulfides play a minor role in binding copper to sediments; in the case of sulfides, most probably for reasons of low content rather than for reasons of solubility of cupric sulfides. Over very dilute copper solutions, sulfide in the sediment should control the binding mechanism. The sediments investigated show a relatively large binding capacity amounting to approximately 26 mg of copper being fixed per gram of dry sediments. The addition of large amounts of NTA to Lake Monona sediments resulted in an increase in the amounts of iron and manganese leached from the sediments. However, the copper released from the sediments decreased with increasing NTA. Extrapolation of the results obtained from Lake Monona sediments to other lakes should be done with caution. Lake Monona is a highly calcareous lake with large amounts of calcium carbonate present in the sediments. Studies would have to be conducted on non-calcareous lakes to determine whether or not similar behavior would be found with respect to the binding of copper to the sediments and the effects of NTA on copper release.

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Uptake of Selenium by Aquatic Organisms

Sandholm, M.; Oksanen, H.E.; Pesonen, L.; Dep. Med., Coll. Vet. Med., Helsinki, Finland

Limnol. Oceanogr. (LIMNOL), 18(2), 496-9; 1973

SELENIUM; UPTAKE; PLANKTON; FISH; ALGAE; DAPHNIA; BIOCONCENTRATION

TAXONOMY: SCENEDESMUS DIMORPHUS; DAPHNIA PULEX

The Se content of aquatic organisms was lowest in aquatic plants, varying from 0.02 to 0.14 ppm (dry wt). Plankton samples contained from 1.1 to 2.4 ppm, fishes cultured in ponds 0.5 to 0.9 ppm, and fishes from natural environments 1.0 to 2.9 ppm. The phytoplankter, SCENEDESMUS DIMORPHUS, actively concentrated Se-73-selenomethionine, but neither actively nor passively concentrated inorganic selenite. The zooplankton, consisting mostly of DAPHNIA PULEX, absorbed Se-75 from selenite. In aquarium fish concentrated only a small amount of organic or inorganic Se directly from water, but did concentrate Se from food.

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Adverse Effects of Cadmium on Brook Trout Testis and on In Vitro Testicular Androgen Synthesis

Sangalau, G.S.; Ohallora, M.J.; Fisheries Res. Board Canada, Halifax Lab, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada

Biol Reprod 9(4), 394-03; 1973

TROUT; CADMIUM; TESTIS; ANDROGEN; BIOSYNTHESIS; TOXICITY; HORMONES; FRESHWATER

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Aquation of Transition Metal Acetates in Acetic Acid

Sawada, K.; Tanaka, M.; Fac. Sci., Nagoya Univ., Nagoya, Japan

J. Inorg. Nucl. Chem. (JINCAO), 35(7), 2455-64; 1973

TRANSITION; METAL ACETATES; AQUATION; MANGANESE; HYDRATION; COBALT; NICKEL; ZINC; COPPER; CRYSCOPY

Solubilities of manganese(II), cobalt(II), nickel(II), and zinc(II) acetates in acetic acid were measured at 25 C to investigate the aquation of these metal acetates. The equilibrium of copper (II) acetate is substituted by a water molecule in acetic acid: $\text{Cu}_2(\text{OAc})_4(\text{HOAc})_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Cu}_2(\text{OAc})_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2(\text{HOAc})_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$. The constant for this equilibrium was estimated to be 0.6 plus or minus 0.3.

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Natural ^{210}Pb and ^{210}Po in a Marine Environment

Schell, W.R.; Jokela, T.; Eagle, R.

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LEAD; LEAD 210; POLONIUM; POLONIUM 210; SEDIMENTS; SALTWATER; FALLOUT; EROSION; CRUSTACEA; SABLEFISH; MARINE ORGANISMS; TRACERS

TAXONOMY: ANOPILOPOMA FIMBRIA

A regional sampling program has been initiated to determine the existing levels of Pb 210 and Po 210 in sediment, organisms and water from different depths in a salt-water sound and a fresh-water lake. The collections have been made with plankton nets, midwater trawls, sediment corers, and a large volume water sampler consisting of 0.3 micron Millipore filters and Al₂O₃ sorption beds (200 to 2000 litres). The efficiency of collecting lead from fresh and salt water by the Al₂O₃ beds has been determined. The sample analysis was made using Po 208 tracer for yield determination and low background alpha spectroscopy which separates the energies of Po 208 from Po 210; the ingrowth and decay of Po 210 were used to determine Pb 210. Computer programs have been completed for data analysis, sorting, and retrieval. One interpretation of the early results of sample analysis from the fresh-water and salt-water environments is that the processes of erosion and leaching can contribute significantly to the concentration of Pb 210 and Po 210 in the aquatic environment. Regional differences are found which depend on the geological strata. Both the erosion process and the atmospheric fallout process must be considered as sources of these radionuclides in the aquatic environment. An unusually large concentration of Po 210 has been found in the liver of a sablefish, ANOPILOPOMA FIMBRIA; the zooplankton in the same region also had a high Po 210 concentration. The nektonic crustacea have the highest Po 210/Pb 210 ratio of the organisms collected at about 100. A program has been initiated for measuring naturally occurring radionuclide in the aquatic environment of the Puget Sound basin. Studies of the pathway of Po 210 and Pb 210 through the food chain illustrate the distribution of these radionuclides. The source of Pb 210 and Po 210 is from precipitation, erosion, and leaching; the distribution and concentration are shown in the analysis of the biota. It is apparent that the Po 210 is not supported during growth of organisms since the ratio of Po 210/Pb 210 is greater than unity. The crustacea are found to have the largest ratio of Po 210/Pb 210, about 100. The high Po 210 concentration was observed in larger fishes whose food is these crustaceans. Part of this Po 210 could be assimilated directly from the water. Specific activity value for Pb210/microgram Pb, below those which are normally present, may be an indication of pollution in certain regions. The study is still in the early stages of development. A more complete data evaluation must await the results of samples collected and analyzed over a longer time period.

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Fallout Mn 54 Accumulated by Bay Scallops
ARGOPECTEN IRRADIANS (Lamarck) Near Beaufort,
North Carolina

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Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the
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MANGANESE; MANGANESE 54; BIOACCUMULATION;
SCALLOPS; RADIOACTIVITY; MOLLUSCS; ESTUARIES;
GILLS; MUSCLES; MANTLE; GONAD; VISCERA; SEAFOOD;
HUMAN HEALTH

TAXONOMY: ARGOPECTEN IRRADIANS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (SE), North
Carolina, Lamarck

Bay scallops were collected in estuarine waters
near Beaufort, North Carolina, during the period
of January 1963 to June 1966 and analysed for
gamma radioactivity originating from fallout.
Most of the gamma radioactivity was Mn 54, with
scallops containing 30 times more Mn 54 than
other lagelibranch molluscs collected at the
same time. Concentrations of Mn 54 were largest
in December 1963 and October 1964 and declined
after October 1964, with a half-life of
approximately 240 d. Concentrations of Mn 54 in
the 74 samples collected were a function of
collection sites in the estuary, size of the
scallops, and tissue type. Amounts of Mn 54 were
determined in seven different tissues. Kidneys
contained the greatest concentrations, about 100
times more than adductor muscle, gills, mantle,
gonad, visceral mass, and liquid. Maximum
concentrations in kidneys were 100 pCi/g wet
weight. Kidneys are a small fraction of the
total weight, so concentrations in the combined
soft parts are about a factor of 100 lower than
the kidney. Stable element content of scallop
tissues was determined also, and kidneys again
contained at least 100 times more stable
manganese than any of the other tissues.
Variations in specific activities (pCi Mn
54/microg Mn) among the different tissues were
greater than could be explained by physical decay
and possible turnover rates in the organism.
Mechanisms of Mn 54 and stable manganese
accumulation are postulated from data on specific
activity of different tissues, mode of scallop
feeding, and results of laboratory experiments in
which scallops were fed phytoplankton labelled
with Mn 54. These data are important because
kidneys of bay scallops concentrate Mn 54 more
than any other biological system known. Public
health implications are minimized because only
the adductor muscle is sold as seafood.

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Ecological Implications of Fallout Radioactivity
Accumulated by Estuarine Fishes and Mollusks

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MANGANESE 54; MOLLUSCS; MONITORING; RADIOECOLOGY;
RUTHENIUM 106; TIME DEPENDENCY; ZINC 65; CERIUM;
CESIUM; MANGANESE; ZINC; RADIOISOTOPES; CLAMS;
OYSTERS; MUSSELS; SCALLOPS

TAXONOMY: MERCENARIA MERCENARIA; MODIOLUS

DEMISSUS; CRASSOSTREA VIRGINICA; ARGOPECTEN
IRRADIANS

Fallout radioactivity accumulated by estuarine
organisms near Beaufort, North Carolina, was
measured from October 1963 to October 1966.
Sixteen species of fish were analyzed for fallout
radioactivity. These fish were separated into
four groups based on the predominant
radioisotopes accumulated in the environment.
One group contained cesium-137, another group
manganese-54, another group cesium-137 and
manganese-54, and a fourth group contained
little or no measurable quantity of either
radioisotope. Nektonic feeders comprised the
group that contained cesium-137 and benthic
feeders contained manganese-54. The results of
these measurements suggest that the radioactivity
accumulated by mollusks and fish reflects
different ecological niches. Seven radionuclides
were identified in the soft parts of hard clams,
MERCENARIA MERCENARIA; marsh mussels, MODIOLUS
DEMISSUS; American oyster, CRASSOSTREA VIRGINICA;
and bay scallops, ARGOPECTEN IRRADIANS. Clams,
mussels and oysters accumulated relatively large
amounts of Ce-144 and Ru-106. The radioisotope
present in greatest concentrations in oysters
was zinc-65 and in bay scallops was manganese-54.
Laboratory experiments on the accumulation of
zinc-65 and manganese-54 confirmed these results.

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Relation of Trace Metals to Human Health

Schroeder, H.A.; Darrow, D.K.

Environmental Affairs, 2(1), 222-236; 1972, Spring

TRACE ELEMENTS; HUMANS; HEALTH; INDUSTRY;
ANIMALS; SALTWATER; LEAD; CADMIUM; TOXICITY;
NICKEL; HYPERTENSION; EMPHYSEMA; CARCINOGENESIS;
ANTIMONY; BERYLLIUM; BERYLLOSIS; MERCURY;
METHYLMERCURY

The effects of various trace elements on human
health have been reviewed in the light of annual
industrial consumptions, natural abundances (on
the earth's crust, in sea water, and in the
contents of Reference Man) and changes in
experimental animals fed low doses for life.
Fourteen metals and two non-metals are essential
for life or health of mammals. All but two are
mined in large amounts, are abundant on the
earth's crust, and are found in human tissues in
sizeable quantities. Most of these metals are
non-toxic to mammals in ordinary concentrations.
Five metals occur in low abundances, are consumed
industrially in sizeable amounts, occur in the
body of man, and are toxic of themselves. Of
these, lead and cadmium are prevalent in man.
Nine metals have low orders of toxicity and occur
at low crustal abundances. Eight have little or
no toxicity, of which six are abundant. Metals
in the environment of potential hazard to man are
lead, by far the largest pollutant, cadmium,
which may influence hypertension and emphysema,
nickel as the carbonyl which is carcinogenic,
antimony which is toxic, beryllium which can
cause berylliosis, and methyl mercury which is
highly toxic. At present levels of exposure,
lead, cadmium, and possibly nickel are
potentially hazardous to health. Only under
special circumstances and in special compounds
are a few other elements hazardous.

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Trace Metals in Carbonate and Organic Rich Sediments

Segar, D.A.; Pellenburg, R.E.; Rosenstiel Sch. Mar. Atmos. Sci., Univ. Miami, Miami, FL

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TRACE METALS; WATER; SEDIMENT; ORGANIC COMPOUNDS; CARBONATES

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Mercury in Seals From Eastern Canada

Sergeant, D.E.; Armstrong, P.A.; Freshwater Inst., Fish. Res. Board Canada, Winnipeg, Manitoba

J. Fish. Res. Board Can. (JFRBAC), 30(6), 843-6; 1973

SEALS; MERCURY; DIET; SALTWATER; FOOD CHAINS

TAXONOMY: HALICHOERUS GRYPUS; PHOCA VITULINA; PAGOPHILUS GROENLANDICUS; CYSTOPHORA CRISTATA

Mercury concentrations in seals of 4 species from eastern Canada were greatest in the liver (less than 387 ppb, usually 1-100 ppm), and lowest in blubber (0.1 ppm), with muscle levels of less than 0.16-2.35 ppm. The liver Hg/muscle-Hg ratios for the adults were greater than those for 2 freshwater fish species and 3 species of domestic animals exposed to Hg in their diet. Hg in the seals increased with age and varied with the position in the marine food web of the organisms they ate, and were higher for the grey (HALICHOERUS GRYPUS), Harbon (PHOCA VITULINA), and Hood (CYSTOPHORA CRISTATA) seals which ate large pelagic and benthic fish and cephalopods, than for Harp seals (PAGOPHILUS GROENLANDICUS) which ate small pelagic fish and crustaceans.

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Transport of Lead in the Environment

Servant, J.; Lab. Phys. Aerosole Echanges Atmos., Univ. Paul Sabatier, Toulouse, Fr.

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LEAD; TRANSPORT; RAINWATER; LAKES; WATER; SOILS

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Decline of Zn 65 in Marine Mussels Following the Shutdown of Hanford Reactors

Seymour, A.R.; Nelson, V.A.

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ZINC; ZINC 65; MARINE ORGANISMS; SALTWATER; PLUTONIUM; POWER REACTORS; ECOLOGICAL HALF-LIFE; MUSSELS; RADIONUCLIDES

TAXONOMY: MYTILUS EDULIS; MYTILUS CALIFORNIUS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (NW), Washington, Hanford, Columbia River, Pacific Ocean

The shutdown of the last of the eight original plutonium production reactors at the Hanford Atomic Plant in February 1971, eliminated the source of practically all the radionuclides in the Columbia River and in the plume of Columbia River water in the Pacific Ocean. Zinc-65, perhaps the most biologically important of the Hanford-produced radionuclides in the marine environment, continues to be present in both the biota and the water fifteen months after shutdown. The amounts of Zn 65 in mussels at the mouth of the Columbia River and along the Washington coast have been monitored since 1961, and data from these observations have been used as reference values to measure the loss of Zn 65 related to the shutdown of the reactors. The amount of Zn 65 in the soft tissues of MYTILUS EDULIS from the North Jetty at the mouth of the Columbia River declined from 40 pCi/g of dry tissue in February 1971, to 6 pCi/g, dry, in May 1972. The effective half-life for Zn 65 was calculated to be 130 d and the loss of Zn 65 by processes other than physical decay, in terms of half-life, was calculated to be 277 d. The latter value is called ecological half-life rather than biological half-life, since there is some uptake of recycled Zn 65 but at a rate less than the rate of loss of Zn 65 by biological processes. At North Head, 5 km north of the Columbia River, the amount of Zn 65 and Zn in M. CALIFORNIUS and the rate of decline was less than comparable values for North Jetty mussels, although the specific activity values, micro Ci Zn 65/g Zn, for mussels from both locations, collected on the same day, were similar. The Zn 65 effective half-life value for North Head mussels was 149 d. The amount of Zn 65 in mussels from seven locations on the Washington Coast and in the Strait of Juan de Fuca, to a distance of 340 km from the Columbia River, declined in a regular manner in respect both to distance from the Columbia River and to time after reactor shutdown.

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Polonium-210 and Lead-210 in the Hydrosphere

Shannon, L.V.; Cherry, R.D.; Div. Sea Fish., Sea Point, South Africa

Proc. Symp. Hydrogeochemistry Biogeochem 1, 284-92; 1973

FOOD CHAINS; POLONIUM 210; HYDROSPHERE; LEAD; FISH; ISOTOPES; POLONIUM; BIOACCUMULATION; SALTWATER; LEAD 210; PHYTOPLANKTON; ZOOPLANKTON

Determinations gave average concentrations of Pb 210 and Po 210, respectively. Sea water (29) 0.038, 0.020 pCi/l; phytoplankton (4) 27, 76 pCi/kg; zooplankton (13) 31, 380 pCi/kg; pelagic fish (6) 5, 1260 pCi/kg. The increase in Po 210 up the food chain is notable. Po 210 was found to be preferentially concentrated in fish liver (up to 1278 pCi/kg).

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446 Stabilities of Some Heterocyclic Amine Complexes. II

Sharma, R.C.; Bhattacharya, P.K.; Fac. Sci.,
Maharaja Sayajirao Univ. Baroda, Baroda, India
J. Indian Chem. Soc. (JICSAH), 50(3), 232-3; 1973

NICKEL; METHYLPYRIDINE; COMPLEX; AQUEOUS
SOLUTIONS; STABILITY; COLLIDINE; LUTIDINE;
PYRIDINE

In the present work the reactions between Ni(II) and di- and tri-methyl pyridines (2:4-lutidine, 2:6-lutidine and 2:4:6-collidine) have been studied in aqueous solution. The experimental data reveals that the stabilities of the complexes are in the order of <4:4-lutidine complex less than 2:6-lutidine complex less than 2:4:6-collidine complex which is in accordance with the basicities of the ligands (2:4-lutidine less than 2:6-lutidine less than <4:6-collidine). Exact linear relationship, however, does not hold good. The extent of M-L phi interaction, differs depending on the number and position of the -CH₃ group introduced in the ring. Lutidine complexes are more stable than pyridine and picoline complexes as expected from higher basicities of the lutidines. With the increase in temperature the basicities of the ligands go down and there is corresponding decrease in the formation constants.

447 Uptake of Mercury by Chlorella and its Effect on Potassium Regulation

Shieh, Y.J.; Barber

Planta (BERL) 109(1) 49-60; 1973

MEMBRANE PERMEABILITY; POTASSIUM; MERCURY;
UPTAKE; REGULATION; CCCP; DCCD; CYSTEINE

TAXONOMY: CHLORELLA PYRENOIDOSA

Addition of mercuric chloride at concentrations which resulted in an overall binding level of about 8 nmoles Hg/l packed cells and above caused a breakdown in the permeability of the cell membrane as indicated by a net efflux of internal K(+). Below this level in region of 2 nmoles Hg/l packed cells the rate of K(+) transfer across the cell surface was stimulated without affecting the internal K(+) level. Maintenance of the stimulation was dependent both on time and dose. Enhancement of the rate of K(+) turnover was associated with a fast component of the inorganic mercury uptake which could be removed by washing with cysteine. The mercury stimulated K(+)/K(+) exchange was inhibited by low temperature, by the uncoupler CCCP and the energy transfer inhibitor DCCD. Overall binding concentrations of inorganic mercury below 0.5 nmoles/l packed cells had no effect on the K(+) transport system. In contrast to mercuric chloride, methyl mercuric chloride over similar concentration ranges did not seem to induce a breakdown in the permeability barrier or directly interact with the K(+)/K(+) exchange but more likely influenced the latter by inhibiting intracellular processes.

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Icelandic Geothermal Activity and the Mercury of the Greenland Icecap

Siegel, B.Z.; Siegel, S.M.; Thorarisson, F.

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GEOTHERMAL ACTIVITY; ICECAPS; MERCURY; VOLCANOS;
SEDIMENTS

In response to the controversy over mercury found in Greenland ice cores, information about natural sources and modes of dissemination of the element is needed. Atmospheric mercury can be introduced by degassing of fluid magmas, and release from fine ash, and long range transport of volcanic ejecta eastward from Iceland is well established. The presence of substantial mercury levels in deep North Atlantic sediments located S, SW, and W of Iceland may also reflect long term transport and fallout of Icelandic mercury in nearby waters. Whatever may be the significance of time-variable mercury levels, they cannot be viewed as evidence for human input when it is recalled that from the mid-17th century to the present, Iceland has recorded nearly 50 volcanic eruptions.

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Metals as Pollutants in Air and Water, An Annotated Bibliography

Sinha, E.

Ocean Engineering Information Series Vol. 6; 1972

METALS; ATMOSPHERE; WATER; BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Lead Accumulation within Nuclei of Moss Leaf Cells

Skear, H.; Ophus, E.; Gullvag, B.M.; Department of Physics, Department of Botany, The University (NENT), 7000 Trondheim

Nature 241,215-216; 1973

MOSES; NUCLEUS; CELLS; BIOACCUMULATION; ELECTRON MICROSCOPY; CYTOPLASM

TAXONOMY: RYTIDIADDELPHUS SQUARROSUS

It was postulated that as lead is used as a stain in routine electron microscopy the presence within cells of lead derived from pollution might be revealed directly from transmission electron micrographs, provided that the local concentration of the metal in the cell was high enough and that no heavy metal stains were used during initial preparation. As bryophytes are known to accumulate heavy metals in concentrations which are toxic for other groups of plants, mosses were chosen as the experimental material. Specimens of RYTIDIADDELPHUS SQUARROSUS were cultivated in a greenhouse and watered once a day for three weeks with a series of lead acetate solutions. A comparison of electron micrographs from unstained polluted material with micrographs from leaf samples from control plants revealed electron-dense inclusions in the cells from the lead-treated samples while no such inclusions were found within the cells of control plants. Samples of R. squarrosus growing 250 m from a busy city road revealed electron dense particles within cell nuclei. X-ray analysis of the electron-dense inclusions confirmed that the particles contained lead. Other areas in the cytoplasm which showed electron-dense precipitates were also examined but except for one case, no lead could be demonstrated.

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Effect of Molybdenum Phosphate Glasses Containing Trace Elements on the Productivity of SCENEDESMUS ACUTUS

Skarenkova, K.; Gabrovski, K.; Inst. Genet. Plant Breed., Sofia, Bulgaria

Dokl. Sel'skokhoz. Akad., Sofia (DSKAA7), 6(1), 33-8; 1973

MOLYBDENUM; MOLYBDENUM PHOSPHATE; IRON; COBALT; COPPER; MANGANESE; ALGAE; BIOMASS; GROWTH; PH; TRACE ELEMENTS; NUTRITION

TAXONOMY: SCENEDESMUS ACUTUS

Growth promoting effects of 5 different 3-component molybdenum phosphate glasses on S. ACUTUS were studied. The Mn-containing (10% Mn(2) O(3)) glass at a concentration of 25-150 mg/l of medium enhanced the growth and at higher levels inhibited the growth. Maximum increase of 150% in biomass was obtained on the 5th day at 100 mg/l level. In the case of Co-containing (10% CoO) glass, up to 60 mg/l, algae yield increased, with maximum yield at 15 mg/l. The Cu-containing (10% CuO) glass enhanced growth by 120-180% at levels of 5-10 mg/l. The Zn-containing glass at a concentration of 10-20 mg/l increased growth by 120-130%. A concentration of 30 mg/l of Cu was toxic. Growth was increased by 115-118% by Fe-containing glass (30% Fe(2)O(3)) at a concentration of 5-20 mg/l. In all the tests, no significant pH change of the medium was noticed.

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Particulate Metals in Waters of Sorfjord West Norway

Skei, J.M.; Price, W.B.; Calvert, S.E.

Ambio, 2(4), 122-124; 1973

LEAD; BIOACCUMULATION; SALTWATER; LEAVES; PLANTS; ELECTRON MICROSCOPY; MOSES

TAXONOMY: RYTIDIADDELPHUS SQUARROSUS

The purpose of the present investigation was to determine the levels of suspended particulate copper (Cu), zinc (Zn) and lead (Pb) in the waters of Sorfjord, West Norway, and to use this information to trace the dispersal pattern of metal-containing industrial waste which is discharged into the fjord at its southern extremity near the town of Odda. The investigation has shown that concentrations of these metals in fjord, especially Zn and Pb, are up to two or three times higher than in natural sea water. Metals have been detected in both surface and subsurface waters 40 km away from the area of metal discharge. Considering the hydrography and the relationship of Zn and Pb in different waters, it seems possible to draw the conclusion that two distinct bodies of contaminated water outflow from the fjord. However, during periods of high river runoff, the dispersal of metals in subsurface waters will be different, and at such times we predict that pollution of the inner fjord will be greatest.

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Comparison of the Lethality of Various Combinations of Heavy Metals and Water Temperature to Juvenile Rainbow Trout

Slatkin, D.; Jones, K.; Geisler, F.; Wolf, A.; Fowler, J.; Kraner, R.; Cronkite, E.; Battelle Pacific Northwest Labs., Richland, WA

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TOXICITY; CHEMICAL POLLUTION; TEMPERATURE; FISH; SYNERGISM; ANTAGONISM; ADDITIVITY; THERMAL POLLUTION; NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS; AQUATIC ORGANISMS; METABOLIC RATE; BIOASSAY; PROPORTIONAL DILUTION; RAINBOW TROUT; CRAYFISH; DAPHNIA; GROWTH; REPRODUCTION; LETHALITY; MERCURY; CHLORINE; FRESHWATER

In the light of the combination of chemical and thermal water pollution potential of nuclear power plants, this study was undertaken to define the toxicity of heavy metals at various temperatures in rainbow trout. Using a 96h TL50 standard continuous flow bioassay, a two- or three-fold difference in resistance to the toxicant was seen depending on the ambient temperature at which the fish had been maintained.

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Turnover and Vertical Transport of Zinc by the Euphausiid MEGANYCTIPHANES NORVEGICA in the Ligurian Sea

Small, L.P.; Fowler, S.W.; Internat. Lab. Mar. Radioactivity, Internat. Atomic Energy Agency, Monaco

Marine Biol. 18(4), 284-290; 1973

TURNOVER; VERTICAL TRANSPORT; TRANSPORT; EUPHAUSIID; PARTICIPATORY TURNOVER; SALTWATER; ZINC

TAXONOMY: MEGANYCTIPHANES NORVEGICA

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Flux of Zinc Through a Macroplanktonic Crustacean

Small, L.P.; Fowler, S.W.; Reckes, S.

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FLUX; ZINC; PLANKTON; MACROPLANKTON; CRUSTACEA; MODELING; SALTWATER; LINEAR SYSTEMS; INGESTION

TAXONOMY: MEGANYCTIPHANES NORVEGICA

A simple, linear model has been employed for an heuristic examination of the flux of zinc through the euphausiid MEGANYCTIPHANES NORVEGICA in the Mediterranean Sea. The model is generated from the basic equation $ke = \mu e + \lambda e$, where ke is the rate of ingestion of particulate zinc by the euphausiid, μe is retention of the element in newly elaborated body tissue, and λe is the rate of elimination of the element. For a first approximation, the ke term is assumed to apply only to ingestion of particulate zinc, though the model can also be made to incorporate direct uptake of zinc from solution. The ke term breaks down into $ke = (Q_1 P_1)$, where Q_1 = zinc concentration in ingested food and P_1 = ingestion rate. The μe term is equivalent to $(Q_2 P_2)$, where Q_2 = zinc concentration in new tissue added in growth, and P_2 = growth-rate. The λe term, which really sets the flux of zinc through M. NORVEGICA, can be fractionated at $\lambda e = (Q_3 P_3) + (Q_4 P_4) + (Q_5 P_5) + (Q_6 P_6) + P_6$, where Q_3 , Q_4 , Q_5 , and Q_6 are zinc concentrations in faeces, moults, dead carcasses, and non-viable eggs, respectively, and P_3 , P_4 , P_5 , and P_6 are the respective rates of production. The P_6 term accounts for excretion of dissolved metabolic products. Over the life span of M. NORVEGICA, some of the terms are discontinuous (P_3 , for example), and all are non-linear. Therefore, we have selected "ecologically significant" segments of the life span (segments representing most of the impact on zinc flux, from biomass estimates), and have summed linear approximations of these selected segments. Using adult animals feeding and defecating for 12 h each day, maximum λe estimates (126.61 $\mu\text{g Zn lost/g dry weight/day}$) plus maximum e estimates (4.38 $\mu\text{g Zn retained/g dry weight/day}$) yielded a maximum estimate for

ke (130.99 $\mu\text{g Zn ingested/g dry weight/day}$). Similarly, near-minimum estimates of λe and μe gave a near-minimum estimate of ke (51.22 $\mu\text{g Zn/g dry weight/day}$). The Zn concentration in the food of M. NORVEGICA was calculated to be approximately 400-500 $\mu\text{g Zn/g dry weight}$ to satisfy the elimination and growth terms. Measured Zn concentration in "natural" foods of the euphausiid averaged 570 $\mu\text{g Zn/g dry}$, an estimate reasonably close to the calculated concentration. The Zn budget in M. NORVEGICA is thus adequately described, and indicates that faecal pellet deposition ($Q_3 P_3$) is the most significant term (representing over 90% of the Zn flux). Applicability of the above approach, and the most sensitive parameters, are discussed relative to other elements and other organisms.

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Mercury in Sediments from the Thames Estuary

Smith, J.D.; Nicholson, R.A.; Moore, P.J.; Geochem. Div., Inst. Geol. Sci., London, Engl.

Environ. Pollut. (ENVPAF) 1973, 4(2) 153-7

MERCURY; SEDIMENTS; ESTUARIES; ATOMIC ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY

Unconsolidated surface sediments from the outer Thames estuary were analysed for mercury using a flameless atomic absorption technique. Sediment samples examined comprised fifteen which were freshly collected and twenty provided by the British Museum (Department of Mineralogy) from a collection assembled over the past forty-five years. Comparison of results for the two groups indicates that there has been little overall change in this period, but levels in these recent sediments are generally higher than those obtained for samples of London clay deposited in Eocene times (approximately 50 million years ago). Mercury contents of the sediments range from 0.012 to 0.460 ppm, with the higher concentrations usually occurring in sediments containing a high proportion of fine particles.

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Analytical Handbook for the Determination of Arsenic, Cadmium, Cobalt, Copper, Iron, Lead, Manganese, Mercury, Nickel, Silver, and Zinc in the Marine and Estuarine Environments

Smith, R.G.; Window, R.L.

Unpublished Manuscript: Technical Report Series No. 72-6, 62 p., Georgia Marine Science Center, University System of Georgia, Skidaway Island, Georgia; 1972, September

ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY; ARSENIC; CADMIUM; COBALT; COPPER; IRON; LEAD; MANGANESE; MERCURY; NICKEL; SALTWATER; ESTUARIES

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Geochemistry of Selenium in Deposits in the Northwestern Part of the Pacific Ocean

Sokolova, E.G.; Pilipchuk, N.P.; South, Sect., Inst. Oceanol., Gellendzhik, USSR

Geokhimiya (GEOKAQ), 10, 1537-1546; 1973

SELENIUM; GEOCHEMISTRY; BENTHIC SEDIMENTS; OCEANS; FIXATION; IRON SULFIDE; ORGANIC COMPOUNDS; SEDIMENTS

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Methylmercury: A Bacterial Degradation in Lake Sediments

Spangler, W.J.; Spigarelli, J.L.; Rose, J.M.; Miller, R.M.

Science 180, 192-193; 1973, April

METHYLMERCURY; BACTERIAL DEGRADATION; SEDIMENTS; GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY; MASS SPECTROMETRY; LAKES; BACTERIA; MICROORGANISMS; FRESHWATER

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Northwest Fishery Center Research on Effects of Environmental Contaminants on Marine Organisms; Reprint

Stansby, M.P.; Alverson, D.L.; National Marine Fisheries Service, Seattle, Wash. Northwest Fisheries Center

GPA 73(21) COM-73-50645-05-06-02; Report No. NRP-PAPER-978; Monitoring Agency Rept No. NOAA-73072305-2, 8 p.; 1973

FISH; AQUATIC ANIMALS; LIFE CYCLES; CONTAMINATION; BIOCHEMISTRY; SALTWATER; PHYSIOLOGY; ANIMAL DISEASES; MERCURY; PESTICIDES; POLLUTION EFFECTS

The authors set forth the plans developed by the members of the Northwest Fishery Center to conduct research on the effects of environmental contaminants on marine organisms. Their studies involve a three-pronged attack. At a very basic research level, chemists, biochemists, and biophysicists are looking into pathways within the fish or other marine organisms to learn how contaminants move about during different stages in the life history of the organisms. The nature of biochemical investigations, laboratory investigations in physiology and field research is briefly described.

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Mercury Concentrations in Sediments of Lake Erie Basin, Ohio

Stith, D.A.; Ohio Geol. Surv., Columbus, Ohio

Ohio, Div. Geol. Surv., Informa. Circ. (ODGCA9) No. 40, 1-14; 1973

MERCURY; SEDIMENT; LAKES

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., Ohio, Lake Erie Basin

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Traces Metals in Cores from the Great Marsh, Lewes, Delaware

Strom, R.N.; Biggs, R.B.; Department of Geology, College of Marine Studies, University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware 19711

Department of Commerce Grant 2-35223; DEL-SG-12-72, CMS No. 2 GL-105; 1972, December

LEAD; ZINC; COPPER; CADMIUM; WATER; CHROMIUM; IRON; CORE SAMPLES; MARSHES; SEDIMENTS

Four twelve-foot cores and one eighteen-foot core were taken near Lewes, Delaware. Samples were taken at two foot intervals down the core beginning at two feet below land surface. The samples were analyzed for zinc, copper, chromium, iron, lead and cadmium. The levels of lead and cadmium were below the level of detectability by the methods used (i.e. less than 1 ppm in the sediment sample). Zinc showed a slight increase in average concentration with increasing depth. Copper and cadmium showed no significant changes with depth. There appears to be no significant difference in the metal concentrations between the less than 63 μ and greater than 63 μ fractions.

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Chemical Basis for Homing of Atlantic Salmon (SALMO SALAR) to a Hatchery

Sutterlin, A.M.; Gray, R.; Fish. Res. Board Canada, Dep. Environ., St. Andrews, New Brunswick

J. Fish. Res. Board Can. (JPRBAK) 1973, 30(7) 985-9

SALMON; HOMING; COPPER; COPPER SULFATE; CHEMISTRY

Based on recoveries from traps situated at a hydroelectric dam and a hatchery 1500 m downstream, the return location of hatchery reared and wild Atlantic salmon is examined. During the fall runs of 1971 and 1972, 97% of ascending wild salmon returned to the dam; only 3% were recovered at the hatchery. Despite the fact that the hatchery discharge contributed only 1/1000th of the river's flow, 67% of the hatchery-reared fish returned to the hatchery and 33% to the dam. Tank tests demonstrated a clear-cut preference by hatchery adults for diluted hatchery effluent vs. river water. Wild fish showed no preference by hatchery adults for diluted hatchery effluent vs. river water. Wild fish showed no preference to either water. Well water, a component of hatchery effluent, was avoided by both hatchery and wild fish. Addition of CuSO_4 to preferred water altered its effectiveness.

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Effect of Copper on Uptake of Diquat- ^{14}C by HYDRILLA

Sutton, D.L.; Haller, W.T.; Steward, K.K.; Blackburn, R.D.

Weed Sci. (WRESA6), 20(6), 581-3; 1972

DIQUAT; UPTAKE; HYDRILLA; COPPER; HERBICIDES; AQUATIC PLANTS; PLANTS; CARBON 14

TAXONOMY: HYDRILLA

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Distribution and Background Levels of Mercury in
Sediment Cores From Selected Wisconsin Lakes

Syers, J.K.; Iskandar, I.K.; Keeney, D.R.; Dep.
Soil Sci., Univ. Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.

Water, Air, Soil Pollut. (WAPLAC), 2(1), 105-10;
1973

MERCURY; LAKES; SEDIMENTS; DISTRIBUTION;
BACKGROUND

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (W), Wisconsin,
Madison

The vertical distribution of Hg in sediment cores from a range of hard- and soft-water lakes in Wisconsin was evaluated in terms of potential sources of Hg during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. For the Madison lakes, the trends in Hg distribution were related to variations in sewage inputs during the last 80 yr. It is unlikely that either inputs of sewage or erosional products are responsible for the observed accumulation of Hg in the most recent sediments from three lakes in northeastern Wisconsin. Background levels varied from 0.01 to 0.24 ppm of Hg (intact sediment basis) in precultural sediments from the Wisconsin lakes investigated. There was no consistent relationship between the concentration of Hg and other sediment components of potential importance in the retention of Hg.

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Analytical Studies; Biochemical Studies

Thomas, C.C., Jr.; Massaro, E.J.

Part of Investigation of Heavy Metallic
Pollutants in the Great Lakes Ecosystem,
Quarterly Progress Report for the period ending
March 3, 1972, 15 p. Toxic Materials Central
File; 1972

MERCURY; CADMIUM; ZINC; COPPER; ARSENIC;
CHROMIUM; SELENIUM; FISH; WALLEYE; SMELT; SLIMY
SCULPIN; RAINBOW TROUT; METHYLMERCURY; UPTAKE;
BIOLOGICAL HALF-LIFE; BLOOD; SPLEEN; KIDNEYS;
LIVER; LENS; MUSCLES; RAIN; MERCURY

Assays of fish for mercury, cadmium, zinc, copper, arsenic chromium and selenium were made. Studies to identify the proteins binding mercury are continuing and the distribution and half life of mercury in various fish organs were studied further. Initially the blood and spleen have the highest concentrations, but the mercury in these organs clears quickly and, at the end of some months, most of the mercury is in the muscles (about half the dose or two-thirds of that remaining in the fish). Mercury builds up slowly in the brain but is released even more slowly. The half retention was approximately 200 days, but it was being released at an even slower rate at this time.

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The Distribution of Mercury in the Sediments of
Lake Ontario

Thomas, R.L.

Canadian Journal of Earth Sciences 9, 636-651;
1972

MERCURY; DISTRIBUTION; SEDIMENTS; LAKES;
FRESHWATER; BIOCONCENTRATION

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Canada, Lake Ontario

Total mercury has been analysed in the surface 3 cm of sediment taken from 287 sample stations on an 8 km grid on Lake Ontario during 1968. The mercury distribution shows well-defined trends which can be related to sediment type; the concentration of mercury increasing from the shallow nearshore coarse sediments outwards, into the central, deep-water basin sediments composed of fine silty clays and clays. The average concentration of mercury in the nearshore sediments is 355 ppb. Regions of high mercury concentration (in the order of 2000 ppb) occur along the southern margin of the main lake basin and in the western (Niagara) basin of the lake. The dispersion pathways of these two regions point to the Niagara River as the prime source of mercury input to Lake Ontario. Most of this mercury is believed to be of industrial origin. An additional area of high mercury concentration with values up to 20,000 ppb, occurs at the eastern end of Lake Ontario (Kingston Basin) in the region of the lake close to the outlet to the St. Lawrence River. These high values in organic-rich, fine sediments are likely related to processes of biological concentration. The concentrations of mercury observed in the recent sediments of Lake Ontario can be accounted for by an average minimum daily input of 125 lb (56.7 kg) of mercury of which an estimated 42 lb (19.0 kg) is of natural origin and the remaining 83 lb (37.6 kg) is from industrial sources. The vertical distribution of mercury in a selected sediment core suggests that industrial mercury input commenced about the turn of the century, rose rapidly to CIRCA 1943 and, since then, has shown a slow but continued rise to the time of core retrieval in 1970.

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The Distribution of Mercury in the Surficial
Sediments of Lake Huron

Thomas, R.L.

Can. J. Earth Sci., 19(2), 194-204; 1973

DISTRIBUTION; MERCURY; SEDIMENTS; WEATHERING;
INDUSTRY; CYCLING

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S.A., Lake Huron

Total mercury has been determined in 163 samples of the topmost 3 cm of sediment taken from Lake Huron during 1969. Total mercury values range from 54 to 805 ppb with a mean of 222 ppb and a standard deviation of 162 ppb. The mercury distribution in the lake sediments shows a trend for increasing concentration from nearshore and mid-lake shallow water, coarse sediment deposits outwards into the fine-grained sediment in the deeper water basins. The application of a quartz correction to compensate for the dilution by an inert constituent reveals two major anomalies of higher mercury concentration. The SAGINAW ANOMALY occurs in the southern basins of the lake and is believed to be due to the input of industrial mercury from Saginaw Bay; the BRUCE ANOMALY in the northeastern part of Manitoulin basin is believed to be due to the weathering of sulfide deposits with subsequent concentration in the lake sediments being related to major water circulation patterns in the lake. From statistical analysis the mercury is believed to be bound in the sediments predominantly adsorbed or complexed by organic matter with subsidiary adsorption by the surfaces of iron sulfides and hydrated iron oxide - inorganic phosphorus complexes.

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Application of the Stainton Syringe Method to the Analysis of Mercury in Natural Waters

Thompson, J.A.; McComas, P.T.; Fish. Mar. Serv., Pac. Environ. Inst., West Vancouver, B.C., Canada, Canada

Environ. Lett. (EVLTA), 5(3), 189-97; 1973

MERCURY; NATURAL WATERS; STAINTON SYRINGE METHOD; ANALYSIS; WATER

A relatively inexpensive, simple and precise method for the analysis of sub-nanogram quantities of mercury in natural waters is described. Through a combination of a solvent extraction procedure and a "cold-vapor" technique, standard deviations of plus or minus 0.0049 and plus or minus 0.0112 were obtained at the mean concentrations of 0.023 and 0.166 ng/ml respectively. Recoveries of 98% are reported.

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Concentration Factors of Chemical Elements in Edible Aquatic Organisms

Thompson, Stanley E.; Burton, C. Ann; Quinn, Dorothy J.; Ng, Yook C.

UCRL-5054 (Rev. 1), UCRL-5054 (Rev. 1), Lawrence Laboratory, Livermore, CA. Bio-Medical Division, TID-4500, UC-48. October 10, 1972, p. 1-77; 1972, October 10

CONCENTRATION FACTOR; FOODSTUFFS; ELEMENTS; AQUATIC BIOLOGY; REVIEW

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Environmental Geochemistry: Some Recent Studies in the United Kingdom

Thornton, I.; Webb, J.S.

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GEOCHEMISTRY; AGRICULTURE; ESTUARIES; FISHERIES; GEOCHEMICAL RECONNAISSANCE; MOLYBDENUM; ZINC; MINING; SHELTERS; SEDIMENTS; OYSTERS; BOTTOM FAUNA; SALTWATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: United Kingdom; England; Wales

The paper outlines some recent applications of geochemical parameters to agriculture, estuarine fisheries and pollution studies and discusses the Group's current programme in environmental geochemistry in relation to the geochemical atlas of England and Wales. Examples are shown of the results of geochemical reconnaissance indicating both extensive molybdenum anomalies and multi-element 'low' patterns in relation to animal health, and anomalous patterns due to old mining and smelting activities which are also of potential agricultural significance. Contamination of zinc in waters and sediments has been related to the failure of oyster larvae in a hatchery in North Wales and base-line studies show wide geochemical variation in other estuaries used for oyster production. The effect of the disposal of sewage sludge on trace element distribution in waters and sediments has been studied in the Firth of Clyde and related to the distribution of bottom fauna.

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Distribution of Zn, Fe, Mn, and Sr in Marine Fishes of Different Feeding Habits

Ting, R.; Puerto Rico Nuclear Center, Mayaguez

Puerto Rico Nuclear Center, Mayaguez, CONF-710510--P2, 709-720; 1971

BONES; DISTRIBUTION; FISH; INTESTINES; IRON; MANGANESE; MUSCLES; SKIN; STRONTIUM; ZINC; TISSUE DISTRIBUTION; SALTWATER

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Sublethal Cytotoxic Effects of Mercuric Chloride on the Ciliate TETRAHYMENA PYRIFORMIS

Tingle, L.E.; Pavlat, W.A.; Cameron, I.L.; Med Sch., Univ. Texas, San Antonio, Tex.

J. Protozool. (JPRAR), 20(2) 301-4; 1973

MERCURY; TOXICITY; PROTOZOA; MERCURIC CHLORIDE

TAXONOMY: TETRAHYMENA PYRIFORMIS

Mercuric chloride at a sublethal concentration of 0.50 mg/l caused deleterious changes in T. PYRIFORMIS cell motility, activity of the water expulsion vesicles, and cell shape, whereas at a lower concentration (0.25 mg/l) it was without effect. The higher sublethal HgCl₂ concentration elicited damage of several cell structures, and this damage persisted and accumulated with time up to 24 hr. at the lower HgCl₂ concentration. There were extensive changes after 1-hr exposure involving primarily mitochondria; however, all major changes were repaired after 24 hr of constant exposure to HgCl₂, indicating adaptation to the toxicant.

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Losses of Zinc 65 to Inorganic Surfaces in Marine Algal Nutrient Medium

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Envir. Sci. Technol. 6(12), 1001-1005; 1972, November

MARINE BIOTA; ADSORPTION; UPTAKE; INORGANIC SURFACES; MARINE PHYTOPLANKTON; ZINC 65; SALTWATER

The nature and magnitude of Zn-65 losses from a marine algal nutrient medium through adsorption to inorganic surfaces were examined. In the pH range 6.3-7.5, a precipitate formed in the medium. These particles accumulated up to 70% of the Zn-65 in the medium within 24 hr at pH values near 7.5 Zn-65 uptake at a pH of 6.3 was negligible. The filtered seawater base of the nutrient medium was used to study Zn-65 losses to glassware surfaces. The relationship between the percent adsorption of Zn-65 from a contained seawater sample and wetted-glass surface area/pipette sample volume was found to be linear for borosilicate glass volumetric pipettes in the size range tested (1-15 ml). At pH 8.0, glassware with surface area/sample volume ratios as small as those of 20-ml volumetric pipettes adsorbed 7-11% of the contained sample activity. Use of polypropylene apparatus was found to significantly reduce zinc losses. It was concluded that Zn-65 adsorption by inorganic surfaces could result in serious errors in measurements of Zn-65 uptake by marine phytoplankton.

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Recovery of Heavy Metal Compounds by Microorganisms. II. Incorporation of Phenylmercuric and Mercuric Acetate Into Microorganisms Tolerant to Them

Tomoyeda, M.; Horitsu, H.; Azuma, T.; Fac. Agric., Gifu Univ., Gifu, Japan

Nippon Nogei Kagaku Kaishi (NKKAA), 47 (1), 51-5; 1973

MERCURY; BACTERIA; MERCURY COMPOUNDS; MICROORGANISMS; HEAVY METALS; ACTIVATED SLUDGE

TAXONOMY: PSEUDOMONAS OVALIS

A microorganism tolerant to both phenylmercuric acetate and mercuric acetate was found in activated sludge. It was identified as PSEUDOMONAS OVALIS. Both compounds were incorporated into the precipitate and the supernatant fractions obtained by the centrifugation of the cell homogenate at 26,000g for 15 min.

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Heavy Metals in Fish from Scottish Waters

Topping, G.; Mar. Lab., Aberdeen

Aquaculture, 1(4), 373-377; 1973

HEAVY METALS; FISH; FOOD CHAINS; PLANKTON; FISH; COPPER; ZINC; CADMIUM; LEAD

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Scotland (coast)

The concentration of four heavy metals (copper, zinc, cadmium and lead) has been measured in four species of commercial fish collected from Scottish waters. From the limited numbers of fish and areas examined there appears to be little difference in concentration of any one metal between areas for the same species. It is suggested however that there may be a difference in trace metal content of plankton feeding fish and bottom feeding fish.

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Microbial Uptake of Lead

Tornabene, T.G.; Edwards, H.W.

Science, 176 (4041), 1334-1335; 1972

MICROORGANISM; UPTAKE; LEAD; LEAD COMPOUNDS

TAXONOMY: MICROCOCCUS LUTEUS; AZOTOBACTER SP

MICROCOCCUS LUTEUS and AZOTOBACTER sp. cells grown in broth in contact with a dialysis membrane containing lead bromide were found to immobilize 4.9 and 3.1 x 10(2) milligrams of lead per gram of whole cells, on a dry weight basis, respectively. Culture turbidity and cell count measurements on these and other cell cultures show that lead bromide, lead iodide, and lead bromochloride in concentrations approaching solubility limits have no detectable effect on overall growth rate and cell viability. Analyses of cellular subfractions reveal that fractions of cell wall plus membrane contain 99.3 and 99.1 percent of the lead found associated with MICROCOCCUS LUTEUS and AZOTOBACTER sp., respectively. The remainder is found associated with the cytoplasmic fractions.

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Effects of Lead on Bacterial Membranes

Tornabene, T.G.; Edwards, H.W.

Part of Hemphill, D.D. (Ed.), Seventh Annual Conference on Trace Substances in Environmental Health, Held at Memorial Union, University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO, June 12-14, 1973; 1973

MEMBRANES; LEAD; GROWTH RATE; CELL VIABILITY; CYTOPLASM; LIPIDS; CELL MEMBRANES; CELL WALLS; CELLS; BACTERIA; MICROORGANISMS

Previous work shows that bacterial cells can take up substantial quantities of lead from solution without apparent effects on overall growth rate and cell viability. Lead retained by these whole cells is associated essentially completely with the cell wall and membrane, and very little reaches the cytoplasm. The present paper deals with interaction of lead with membrane lipids of M. LUTEUS. Effects of membrane lipids composition and structure upon lead retention is discussed.

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 Characterization of Bottom Sediments: Cation
 Exchange Capacity and Exchangeable Cation Status

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 Crops, College of Agriculture and Environmental
 Sciences, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ
 08903

Environ. Sci. & Tech., 4(11), 935-939; 1970,
 November

SEDIMENTS; CATIONS; EXCHANGE CAPACITY;
 EXCHANGEABLE CATION STATUS; IRON; MANGANESE;
 RIVERS; ESTUARIES; FRESHWATER

Two parameters, cation exchange capacity (CEC)
 and exchangeable cation status (ECS), were used
 to characterize bottom sediments collected from
 rivers, bays, and freshwater impoundments. It
 was necessary to investigate the effect of drying
 on CEC and exchangeable Fe and Mn to arrive at
 satisfactory modifications of soil techniques
 used for these parameters. Wide variations were
 obtained in CEC and ECS values for the sediments.
 CEC and ECS values may be utilized for
 determining saltwater intrusions and pollution
 effects.

480
 Water Quality and Fish Life Below Sewage Outfalls

Tsai, Chu-Pa

Trans. Amer. Fish. Soc., 102(2), 281-292; 1973,
 April

WATER QUALITY; FISH; SEWAGE OUTFALLS; CHLORINE;
 TURBIDITY; SLUDGE; SPECIES DIVERSITY

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (2), Virginia,
 Maryland, Pennsylvania

Comparative studies of water quality and fish
 species diversity in stream locations immediately
 above and below the outfalls of 149 secondary
 sewage treatment plants were made in Virginia,
 Maryland, and Pennsylvania. Sewage chlorine and
 turbidity increment resulting from sludge were
 found to be major causative factors for fish
 species diversity reduction below the outfalls.

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 Trace Element Trapping in Pteropod Tests

Turekian, K.K.; Katz, A.; Chan, L.; Dep. Geol.
 Geophys., Yale Univ., New Haven, Conn.

Limnol. Oceanogr. (LIOSAH), 18(2), 240-9; 1973

IRON; PTEROPOD; PLANKTON; TRACE ELEMENTS; OCEANS;
 SALTWATER; CERIUM; LANTHANUM; SAMARIUM; EUROPIUM;
 THORIUM; SCANDIUM; CHROMIUM; COBALT; LUTETIUM;
 SELENIUM

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Jordan, Gulf of Aqaba;
 U.S. (NE), New York, Long Island Sound

Pteropod tests from the Gulf of Aqaba and the
 South Atlantic Ocean and "bulk" (soft tissue)
 plankton samples from Long Island Sound were
 analyzed by instrumental neutron activation
 analysis (INAA) for 11 trace metals (Fe, Ce, La,
 Sm, Eu, Th, Sc, Cr, Co, Sb, Se) to study the
 trapping and transport mechanisms for these
 metals in the oceans and the capability of
 pteropods to modify the composition of seawater
 during this process. The internal correlations
 among these metals strongly suggest that a finely
 particulate (less than 0.2 μ) authigenic
 iron-rich phase (hydrated oxide or phosphate) is
 trapped by both the soft and hard tissues of
 plankton and that this phase is the major carrier
 of several of the trace metals. Assuming that
 the iron-rich floc-trapping mechanism is
 applicable to all pelagic calcareous tests, then
 the downward flux of iron and associated trace
 elements carried by these tests can be assessed.
 To the precision of current knowledge about the
 transport and dissolution of calcium carbonate in
 deep water, this assumption leads to the
 conclusion that the iron and the associated trace
 elements have residence times in the deep water
 of the same order of magnitude as that of the
 deep water itself.

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 Distribution of Zirconium, Titanium, Nickel,
 Cobalt, Lead, Copper, and Other Elements in the
 Surface Layer of Recent Deposits in Lake Balkhash

Turovskii, D.S.; Lubchenko, I.Y.; Cherkasova,
 E.V.; Geol. Inst. Moscow, USSR

Litol. Polez. Iskop (1), 47-55; 1973

SEDIMENTS; LAKES; ZIRCONIUM; TITANIUM; NICKEL;
 COBALT; LEAD; COPPER; DISTRIBUTION; GALLIUM;
 VANADIUM; CHROMIUM; IRON; MANGANESE; PHOSPHORUS;
 MOLYBDENUM; CARBON; ORGANIC COMPOUNDS; TRACE
 ELEMENTS; ACCUMULATION

The majority of the elements studied came from
 suspended matter carried into the lake by the Ili
 River. Four groups of elements can be
 distinguished, which, in the order of increasing
 geochemical mobility, are (1) Zr and Ga; (2) Ti,
 V, and Cr; (3) Fe, Mn, P, Cu, Pb, Co, and Ni; and
 (4) Mo and C. Distribution of the elements is
 governed by the hydrodynamics of the basin,
 resulting in enrichment of the finest sediments
 with elements of group (3). Zr accumulates in
 the coastal sands, while the maximum
 concentration of group (2) occurs in coarse and
 also in small size aleurites.

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Heavy Metals Pollute Nature, May Reduce Productivity

Tyler, G.

Ambio, 1(2), 52-59; 1972, April

ZINC; COPPER; CADMIUM; CHROMIUM; NICKEL; VANADIUM; FOSSIL; FUELS; LEAD; IRON; MANGANESE; ATOMIC ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY; CALCIUM; MAGNESIUM; POTASSIUM; SODIUM; PHOSPHORUS; SULFUR; ACCUMULATION; MOSSES; ION EXCHANGE; GEOGRAPHIC VARIATIONS; HEAVY METALS; COMPLEXES; LICHENS; LITTER; HUMUS; GRASSES; SEDGES; HERBS; UPTAKE; ROOTS; SPRUCE NEEDLES; RAIR; PEATS; CONCENTRATION; CHELATION; DECOMPOSITION RATE; MOLYBDENUM; EFFICIENCY; BARKS; TWIG; LEAVES; PLANTS; WATER; TREES

Mosses and lichens accumulate heavy metals from rain or dry deposition by ion exchange. Atomic absorption spectrophotometry is a fast and sensitive method for analyzing for heavy metals. Other plants accumulate heavy metals through the roots, transfer a part to the shoots, and then after wilting and litter formation accumulate more by ion exchange. Some plants are superficially rooted in the heavily polluted, acid humus layer and have a considerable uptake of heavy metals. In peat bogs the author has found cadmium up to 5.1 parts per million dry weight and lead up to 180. He speculates that such concentrations may lead to a reduced decomposition rate, which will lead to increased litter, minerals bound in unavailable form and therefore reduced production. This accumulation could be made available all at once by clear cutting or by forest fires or it could be lost to the ground water. There could also be other effects, e.g., an increase in copper and zinc may enhance production by providing micronutrients.

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Mercury as a Hydrospheric Pollutant. 1. Accumulation and Excretion in *TAPES DECUSATUS* L.

Unlu, M.Y.; Heyraud, M.; Keckes, S.

Part of Ruivo, M. (Ed.), Marine Pollution and Sea Life, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Conference held in Rome Italy, December 9-18, 1970. Fishing News (Books) Ltd., 110 Fleet Street London, EC4A 3JL England. (p. 292-5) 623 p.; 1972

RADIONUCLIDES; TISSUES; TISSUE DISTRIBUTION; MERCURY; MERCURY 203; MERCURY CHLORIDE; BIOACCUMULATION; EXCRETION; TRACERS; BIOLOGICAL HALF-LIFE; BIVALVES

TAXONOMY: *TAPES DECUSATUS*

Mercury-203 chloride was incorporated in bivalves from sea water solution, in food (*PHAEODACTYLUM* culture) and by injection into the foot muscle. Accumulation from sea water was quite rapid. By the first two methods the biological half life was 1-2 weeks, but it was much longer for the injected material (of the order of a year or more). The distribution of the mercury is given for each group for a time period of 62 days. Much of the mercury was in the visceral organs in all 3 cases.

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Uptake of Mercury by Caged Rainbow Trout (*SALMO GAIRDNERI*) in the South Saskatchewan River

Uthe, J.F.; Atton, P.H.; Royer, L.M.; Freshwater Inst., Fish. Res. Board Canada, Winnipeg, Manitoba

J. Fish. Res. Board Can. (JFRBAC), 30(5), 641-50; 1973

MERCURY; RETENTION; RAINBOW TROUT; FISH; RIVERS; UPTAKE; METHYLMERCURY

TAXONOMY: *SALMO GAIRDNERI*

When rainbow trout (*S. GAIRDNERI*) were held in cages in the South Saskatchewan River following curtailment of mercury discharges to the river, a rapid uptake of Hg by the fish occurred during the first warm summer period (1970) with much less uptake during the rest of the year. A second summer experiment (1971) produced no significantly different results suggesting that a long-term contamination existed within this river system. Analyses showed that the bulk of Hg present in the fish carcasses was present as methylmercury.

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Distribution of Certain Trace Elements in Marine Sediments Surrounding Vulcano Island (Italy)

Valette, J.W.; Cent. Rech. Sedimentol. Mer., Cent. Univ., Perpignan, France

Ores Sediments, Int. Sedimentol. Congr., 8th., 321-37; 1973

TRACE ELEMENTS; SEDIMENTS; PUMAROLE; SALTWATER; DISTRIBUTION; WATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Italy, Vulcano Island

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Accumulation of certain Trace Elements in Marine Organisms from the Sea Around the Cape of Good Hope

Van As, D.; Fourie, H.O.; Vleggaar, H.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-14, 1972 (615-623) 786 p.; 1973

ACTIVATION ANALYSIS; ALGAE; ANTIMONY; AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; CESIUM; CHROMIUM; COASTAL WATERS; COBALT; CRUSTACEA; FISH; IRON; MANGANESE; METABOLISM; MOLLUSCS; NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS; QUANTITATIVE CHEMICAL ANALYSIS; RETENTION; SEAFOOD; SALTWATER; STRONTIUM; TISSUES; TRACE ELEMENTS; UPTAKE; ZINC

TAXONOMY: POPPHYRA CAPENSIS; ECKLONIA MAXIMA; ULVA spp.; SUHRIA VITATTE; HALIOTIS HYDAE; DONAX SERRA; MYTILUS MERIDIONALIS; JASUS LALANDII

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: South Africa, Cape of Cape Hope, Capetown

An investigation of the recipient capacity of the sea for radioactive effluent from a site on the west coast of South Africa, 25 km north of Cape Town, necessitated the determination of concentration factors for those nuclides which would probably be present in the effluent of the proposed nuclear installations. Stable element analyses were done for those corrosion elements which are known to have high accumulation factors and which have induced radioactive isotopes of long half-lives, e.g., Cr, Fe, Zn, Co, Mn and Sb, as well as for the stable counterparts of the fission products strontium-90 and cesium-137. Various methods of sample preparation e.g., freeze drying, dry and wet ashing, and of sample analyses, e.g., atomic absorption and neutron activation, were used in parallel and the results compared. The marine organisms which are either regularly consumed or which may have future economic importance were investigated. These species included algae (POPHYRA CAPENSIS, ECKLONIA MAXIMA, ULVA spp., SUHRIA VITATTE), molluscs (HALIOTIS HYDAE, DONAX SERRA, MYTILUS MERIDIONALIS) and Crustacea (JASUS LALANDII), as well as various line and pelagic fishes of commercial importance. Analyses were normally performed on the edible parts of the species only. With regard to coastal and off-shore waters, measurements of the soluble and particulate fractions of these elements were made and different techniques of sample storage and sample preparation, e.g., deep freezing and freeze-drying, were compared.

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Radioisotope Techniques in Delineation of the Environment Behavior of Cadmium

Van Hook, R.I., Jr.; Blaylock, B.; Bondietti, E.; Francis, C.; Nuckabee, J.W.; Reichle, D.; Sweeton, F.; Witherspoon, J.; Oak Ridge National Lab., TN

Part of Joint IAEA/RHO/FAC Symposium on Nuclear Techniques in Comparative Studies of Food and Environmental Contamination, Helsinki, Finland, August 27-31, 1973; IAEA/SM-175/22; CONF-730817-2.; 1973

CADMIUM; CADMIUM 109; DISTRIBUTION; ECOSYSTEMS; FOOD CHAINS; PLANTS; SEDIMENTS; SOILS; TOXICITY; TRACERS; TRANSPORT; BIOCONCENTRATION; MICROCOSMS; PIPLO STUDIES; ASSIMILATION; TURNOVER; WATER

Radioisotope techniques are being developed and

utilized at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) for evaluating the environmental behavior of toxic elements such as cadmium in aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems. Tracer techniques using Cd-109 in microcosm, field plot, and stream systems are providing information on biogeochemical cycling and distribution of cadmium in the environment. Parameters being measured include adsorption capacity for cadmium in mineral soils and sediments; uptake rates of cadmium in various plants species from both soils and nutrient solution as affected by pH, competing cations, and chemical form of cadmium; and distribution of cadmium in various components of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems following application of Cd-109 to soil, vegetation, or directly to streams. Food chain parameters being estimated with Cd-109 include uptake, assimilation, and turnover by both aquatic and terrestrial organisms. Information obtained in these radiotracer studies is providing insight into the behavior of cadmium in aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems, especially transport rates of cadmium and potential biomagnification or dilution in food chains. The factors which influence the incorporation of cadmium into vegetative material as well as those affecting residence time in ecosystems have been identified. Use of Cd-109 also has permitted evaluation of a cadmium specific electrode as a tool for rapid assay of free cadmium ions in soil solutions.

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Uptake and Loss of Zinc-65 and Cobalt-60 by the Mussel MYTILUS EDULIS L.

Van Weers, A.W.

Part of Radioactive Contamination of the Marine Environment, Proceedings of Symposium held by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Seattle, WA, July 10-14, 1972 (385-400); 786 p.; 1973

AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS; AUTORADIOGRAPHY; BIOLOGICAL HALF-LIFE; COBALT 60; COBALT; GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT; KIDNEYS; MOLLUSCS; RADIOECOLOGY; RADIONUCLIDES; KINETICS; RADIONUCLIDE MIGRATION; RETENTION; SALTWATER; TISSUES; UPTAKE; ZINC 65; ZINC

TAXONOMY: MYTILUS EDULIS

The uptake of zinc-65 and cobalt-60, directly from seawater, by the mussel MYTILUS EDULIS L. and the subsequent loss of the radionuclides in non-radioactive seawater were studied with animals kept unfed during the experiments. Concentration factors measured for the radionuclides for periods up to 60 d are much lower than the values for the stable elements, which range from 3000 to 11000 for zinc and from 1200 to 4500 for cobalt in the soft parts. The pattern of loss is described by loss from two relatively short-lived components and one long-lived component the relative importance of the latter increasing with the length of the preceding uptake period. The biological half-life of the long-lived component ranges from 48 - 60 d for zinc-65 and from 57 - 72 d for cobalt-60. As shown by autoradiography, zinc-65 is accumulated to a high extent in the kidney and cobalt-60 both in the kidney and the digestive gland. It is concluded that, as far as uptake of zinc-65 and cobalt-60 directly from seawater is concerned, both the relatively slow accumulation and the subsequent loss will reduce the risk of contamination of mussels following incidental releases of these radionuclides in coastal waters.

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Dynamics of ^{65}Zn in Benthic Fishes and Their Prey Off Oregon

Vanderploeg, H.; Oregon State Univ., Corvallis.

Oregon State Univ., Corvallis, RLO--2227-T-12-37; 1972, June

ANNELIDS; CRUSTACEA; DIFFUSION; FISH; GEOGRAPHY; MATHEMATICAL SOLUTIONS; MOLLUSCS; RADIOECOLOGY; SALTWATER; RADIONUCLIDES; KINETICS; SEASONAL VARIATIONS

The intra- and interspecific differences of zinc-65 specific activity in benthic fishes on the continental shelf off Oregon during 1970-1971 are examined. The dynamics of zinc-65 specific activity in the fishes are shown to be governed by a basic equation which applies generally to any radionuclide accumulated through the food chain. Evidence is presented that suggests that zinc-65 was in a form more available to the food chain than stable zinc in seawater. The dynamics of zinc-65 SA in the fishes are useful for understanding some aspects of the fishes' ecology. A theoretical framework is set up for determination of energy flow in free-living populations of fishes and other animals from their specific activity dynamics. Geographical patterns in zinc-65 specific activity in the benthic fishes and their prey are shown useful for deducing the migratory habits of the fishes. Migration or its absence is suggested for some fishes for which no literature is available.

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Rate of Zinc Uptake by Dover Sole in the Northeast Pacific Ocean - Preliminary Model and Analysis

Vanderploeg, H.; Oregon State Univ., Corvallis

Oregon State Univ., Corvallis; CORV-710501--P2; p. 840-848; 1971

BIOLOGICAL MODELS; FISH; POPULATIONS; RADIOACTIVE WASTES; RADIOACTIVITY; RETENTION; UPTAKE; ZINC; ZINC 65; SALTWATER; SOLE

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Arsenic in the Lipid Extracts of Marine Invertebrates

Vaskovsky, V.E.; Korotchenko, O.D.; Konheleva, L.P.; Levin, V.S.

Comp. Biochem. Physiol. B. Comp. Biochem., 41(4), 777-784; 1972

LIPIDS; ARSENIC; INVERTEBRATES; SALTWATER; THIN-LAYER CHROMATOGRAPHY; SAPONIFICATION

TAXONOMY: ANNELIDA; MOLLUSCA; ASTEROIDEA

The quantitative contents of As in the lipid extracts of 27 species of marine invertebrates, related to various systematic groups, were determined. Arsenic was found in the lipids of the representatives of all phyla. ANNELIDA, MOLLUSCA and ASTEROIDEA had the highest arsenic content whereas Spongia had the lowest. The lipids of animals of the same species with different habitats had a different As content. Thin-layer chromatography was used to compare As-containing substances obtained from various organisms. Animals from different groups had different As-containing compounds. The main portions of As-containing substances saponify.

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Toxicological and Food-Technological Problems of Methylmercury in Fish

Verduyck, A.; Massart, D.L.; Lab. Pharmacognosie, Phytochem. Toxicol., Vrije Univ. Brussel, Sint-Genesius-Rode, Belgium

Farm. Tijdschr. Belg. (FNTBB2), 50(4), 272-290; 1973

REVIEW; MERCURY; FISH; METHYL MERCURY; TOXICOLOGY; FOOD; CONTAMINATION

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The Crayfish, *ORCONECTES VIRILIS*, as an Indicator of Mercury Contamination

Vermeer, K.

Can. Field Nat., 86(2), 123-125; 1972

CRAYFISH; MERCURY; BIOLOGICAL INDICATORS; CONTAMINATION; LAKES; BIOCONCENTRATION

TAXONOMY: ORCONECTES VIRILIS

The crayfish, *O. VIRILIS*, is a good indicator of Hg contamination in different water bodies. Crayfish muscle contained 3 times as much Hg as the remaining body. Mercury levels did not differ significantly in samples collected from various parts of the shore of a highly contaminated lake.

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Mercury in Aquatic Birds at Clay Lake, Western Ontario

Vermeer, K.; Armstrong, P.A.; Hatch, D.H.; Can. Wild. Serv., Edmonton, Alberta

J. Wildl. Manage. (JWMAA9), 37(1), 55-61; 1973

MERCURY; MUSCLES; BIRDS; CRAYFISH; DUCKS; GULLS; GOLDENEYES; MERGANSERS; BIOCONCENTRATION; TEALS; AQUATIC BIRDS

TAXONOMY: LARUS ARGENTATUS; ANAS PLATYRHYNCHOS; ANAS DISCOS; BUCEPHALA CLANGULA; MERGUS MERGANSER; LOPHODYTES CUCULLATUS; ORCONECTES VIRILIS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: Canada, Ontario, Clay Lake

Total mercury levels ranging from 2 to 16 ppm in eggs did not appear to affect the hatching and fledging of herring gulls (LARUS ARGENTATUS). Mercury levels in breast muscles of 5 American pigeons (PERCA AMERICANA), 16 mallards (ANAS PLATYRHYNCHOS), 17 blue-winged teals (ANAS DISCOS), 21 common goldeneyes (BUCEPHALA CLANGULA), 17 common mergansers (MERGUS MERGANSER), and 7 hooded mergansers (LOPHODYTES CUCULLATUS) averaged 0.5, 6.1, 6.5, 7.8, 6.8, and 12.3 ppm respectively at Clay Lake 4-6 weeks prior to the hunting season in 1971. Methyl mercury in five ducks ranged from 69 to 99 percent of total mercury. Crayfish (ORCONECTES VIRILIS) muscle contained the highest mercury levels of food items found in esophagi and stomachs of ducks; the high values in breast muscles of hooded mergansers are likely related to their feeding on crayfish.

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Temperature-Salinity Stress and Mercury Uptake in the Fiddler Crab

Vernberg, W.B.; O'Hara, J.; Belle W. Baruch Coastal Res. Inst., Univ. of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C.

J. Fish. Res. Board Can. (JFRBAK), 29(10), 1491-4; 1972

MERCURY; UPTAKE; CRAB; STRESS; TEMPERATURE; SALINITY; MERCURY 203; TOXICITY

Uptake of Hg-203 was determined in gill and hepatopancreas tissue from fiddler crabs (UCA PUGILATOR) maintained under six temperature-salinity regimes. Although the total mercury was relatively constant under all experimental conditions, the percent of mercury in each of the tissues was markedly different. At higher temperatures the crabs seem able to transport mercury from gill tissue to the hepatopancreas more effectively than at lower temperatures. This could be a factor in the toxicity of mercury to fiddler crabs at low temperature.

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The Synergistic Effects of Temperature, Salinity, and Mercury on Survival and Metabolism of the Adult Fiddler Crab, UCA PUGILATOR

Vernberg, W.B.; Vernberg, J.

Fishery Bulletin, 70(2), 415; 1972, April

FIDDLER CRAB; SYNERGISM; TEMPERATURE EFFECTS;

SALINITY EFFECTS; MERCURY; SURVIVAL; METABOLISM; GILLS; HEPATOPANCREAS; GREEN GLAND; CRAB

TAXONOMY: UCA PUGILATOR

In a study undertaken to determine the effect of a sublethal concentration of mercury on the metabolism of adult fiddler crabs, gill tissues were found to be the major site of Hg concentration. Lesser amounts accumulated in the hepatopancreas and green gland. Metabolic rates were affected by prolonged Hg exposure both under optimum environmental conditions and under temperature and salinity stress.

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Determination of the Mode of Deposition of Elements in Natural Solution

Volkov, G.A.; Shakhburova, L.M.

Izv. Vyssh. Ucheb. Zaved., Geol. Razved. 16(5), 111-17; 1973

COPPER; WATER; DEPOSITION; NATURAL WATERS; ARSENIC COMPOUNDS; ARSENIC; MERCURY; CARBON DIOXIDE; IONS; CHLORINE; SULFATES; SODIUM; POTASSIUM; CALCIUM; MAGNESIUM; FLUORINE; BICARBONATE; THERMODYNAMICS

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A Continuous Culture of Desulfovibrio on a Medium Containing Mercury and Copper Ions

Vonjan, J.H.; Van Der Hoek, G.J.

Neth. J. Sea Res., 5(4), 440-444; 1972

CONTINUOUS CULTURE; MERCURY; COPPER; MICROORGANISMS; TOXICITY; GROWTH

TAXONOMY: DESULFOVIBRIO

The effects of the toxic metals Hg and Cu on the growth of DESULFOVIBRIO in a continuous culture was studied. It appeared that in such a culture the metals are continually rendered harmless by the precipitation of metal sulphides, while in batch cultures in the same medium no growth takes place. The overflow of the continuous culture no longer contains any toxic metal, as is proved by microbial growth occurring after addition of some substrates. Microbiological processes could be used to render toxic metals innocuous, to remove them from polluted water, and to fix them as sulphides.

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The Use of Fish Movement Patterns to Monitor Zinc in Water

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ZINC; FISH; MOVEMENT; STRESS; DETECTION; TURBIDITY; WATER

The feasibility of using fish movement patterns measured by light beam interruption for continuous monitoring of response to zinc was investigated. The apparatus does not interfere with fish movement and detects premortal aberrations in movement caused by zinc. Detection of stress occurs in sufficient time to permit survival of test fish if stress conditions are reversed at time of detection. The lowest concentration of zinc detected during a 96-h exposure was between 3.64 and 2.94 mg per liter zinc (2 plus). The system's range of effective measurement as related to turbidity is discussed.

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Mercury in Fish, Sediments, and Water in Lake Oahe, South Dakota

Walter, C.H.; Environmental Protect

J. Water Pollution Control Federation, 45(10), 2201; 1973, October

FISH; SEDIMENTS; WATER; MERCURY; PIKE; WALLEYE; LAKES

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., South Dakota, Lake Oahe

Analyses of total mercury content were made for fish, sediment, and water samples collected in several locations in Lake Oahe, S.D., and its tributaries. Mercury concentrations equal to or exceeding 0.5 mg/kg occurred in 30 of 225 fish samples tested. Higher concentrations were found mostly in predatory game fishes, primarily northern pike and walleye, from the Cheyenne River area.

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Mercury Concentration in Surface Sediments as Related to Water Masses in Western Lake Erie

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Compass Sigma Gamma Epsilon, 50(4), 5-10; 1973

MERCURY; SEDIMENTS; LAKES; FRESHWATER

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Levels of Molybdenum in Milk and its Relation to Levels in Cattle Feeds and Irrigation Water

Ward, G.M.

Part of Transport and the Biological Effects of Molybdenum in the Environment, Progress Report, January 1, 1973 (p. 176-186) 375 p.; 1973, January 1

MOLYBDENUM; MILK; FEEDS; IRRIGATION WATER; DRINKING WATER; SAMPLING; HAY; SILAGE; SOILS; DAIRIES; FOOD CHAINS

Description of the food-chain relationships of molybdenum with emphasis on milk have been more difficult than anticipated. The original postulate was that agricultural areas utilizing irrigation water with higher levels of molybdenum would produce feed with higher levels and in turn milk with higher levels. The concept is probably correct but conclusive evidence for this relationship have not been obtained readily. It was thought that the milk tank trucks which collect milk from specific areas would readily spot the farming areas with the highest concentration. However, a closer look at the milk pick-up operation and dairy farm management systems soon destroys this illusion. The reasons are that (1) milk is picked up from most farms on alternate days, as a result each truck in essence has two routes; (2) farms are added and dropped from particular routes frequently for a variety of reasons; (3) the variation in herd size is great (30-400 cows) meaning that one or two farms may have a grossly disproportionate effect on the mean level found for the truck. Added to these variables are those associated with feeding systems. Some dairies, usually the largest ones, produce very little or none of the feed for their herds. For these reasons tank truck samples may be used to locate farms that may have high levels of molybdenum in the milk but for environmental studies of molybdenum movement the emphasis will have to be on individual farms. The tank truck surveys, of course, provide a rapid estimate of the molybdenum intake through milk by a metropolitan population.

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Radiat. Prot., 2nd (27FAY), #21-430, Budapest, 2.
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U.S., Geol. Surv., Prof. Pap. (XIPPAW), (No.
800-D), 205-10; 1972

ARSENIC; TRANSPORT; STREAM FLOW; WATERSHEDS;
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LIVER; MUSCLES; ARSENIC; COPPER; MERCURY;
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TAXONOMY: CHONDRICTHYS; OSTEICTHYS

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Evaluations of Stream Pollution and Trace
Substance in the New Lead Belt of Missouri

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GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., Missouri (SE),
New Lead Belt, Viburnum Trend

Stream pollution studies have been carried out in the Viburnum Trend or "New Lead Belt" of S.E. Missouri to evaluate the effects of trace substances in wastes from lead-zinc mining operations. Data were collected to evaluate the character of individual wastes and to study the effectiveness of stabilization lagoons in treating milling effluent discharges into area streams. Mine discharge water, milling

operations, combined mine-mill effluent and lagoon system effluent, were sampled. Water quality samples were also taken in streams below the mine lagoons and were compared with those from control sites located on unpolluted streams. Biological, chemical and physical parameters were evaluated, along with trace metal determinations of lead, zinc and copper. Potential pollutional characteristics were determined at all sampling sites, with special emphasis on the concentration of trace substances by excessive algal growths. Studies of mine effluent entering streams have indicated that mining wastewaters contain carbon dioxide and sufficient phosphorus to combine with nitrogen present in the stream water and cause undesirable benthic growths in bacterial-algal mats. Background concentrations of lead, zinc and copper rarely exceeded 20 ppb (parts per billion) in streams; however, concentrations up to 1,000 ppb have been determined in settling ponds. Recommendations are presented for the effective control of trace substances associated with wastewater from the lead-zinc mining industry in southeast Missouri.

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An Investigation of Environmental Pollution by
Lead and Other Heavy Metals from Industrial
Development in Southeastern Missouri

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Environmental Research Center, MSP-RAMM New Lead
Belt Project, University of Missouri-Rolla, 13pp.

LEAD; COPPER; ZINC; ATMOSPHERE; SOILS; INDUSTRY;
MINING; HILLS; REMOTE SENSING; EFFLUENTS

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., Missouri (SE),
New Lead Belt

An interdisciplinary investigation of environmental pollution is underway in the New Lead Belt area of southeastern Missouri to determine the effect of lead, zinc, copper, cadmium and other heavy metals. The preliminary results for the air, soil and water investigations are presented and the planned future investigations are discussed with emphasis on applications of remote sensing to monitor the environment.

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The Flux of Mn, Fe, and Zn in an Estuarine Ecosystem

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MANGANESE; IRON; ZINC; RADIONUCLIDES; ESTUARIES; FISH; CRUSTACEA; PLANKTON; SEDIMENTS; INFAUNA; MACROINVERTEBRATES; EPIBENTHOS; TEMPERATURE; SALINITY; PH; RUNOFF; MARINE BIOTA; WATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S. (SE), North Carolina, Newport River

Cycling of radionuclides in estuarine ecosystems involves a complex network of interactions among sediments, dissolved components, biota, and fluctuating environmental variables, e.g. temperature, salinity, and pH. Accurate prediction of the distribution of radionuclides in the various components requires a thorough understanding of the flux of stable elements through the system. Efforts to model the fluxes of Mn, Fe and Zn through and within coastal plain estuaries of southeastern United States of America are described. Data have been derived mainly from extensive study of the Newport River estuary, a North Carolina embayment of about 31 km² receiving run-off from a total watershed area of about 350 km². Trace metals have been analysed on a seasonal basis in water, sediments, and dominant organisms from several locations in this ecosystem. Ecological studies by colleagues at the Center have produced estimates of seasonal variability and biomass for the major primary producers, zooplankton, and the dominant species of macroinvertebrates (infauna and epibenthos) and fish. Since the estuary is shallow (less than 1 m at mean low tide), flushing is dominated by the semidiurnal tide (0.8 m amplitude), and except during periods of very heavy rain, run-off has little effect. Major imports of Mn, Fe and Zn to the estuary consist of suspended and dissolved species in the run-off, sediment bed-load, tidal inputs, and the late winter-spring immigration of fish and crustaceans. Major exports are tidal flushing of dissolved and suspended trace metals (including plankton), the autumn emigration of fish and crustaceans, and commercial harvest of fish and shellfish. Despite the high productivity and low run-off in the Newport River estuary, physical processes dominate the total annual budgets of these metals. Biological transport processes were most important in the case of Zn, for which commercial harvest and emigration may account for more than 10% of the annual input from the watershed. The complexities of progressing from this static "annual budget concept" to a dynamic model of trace metals flow through the trophic structure of Newport River estuary is discussed.

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Cycling of Elements in Estuaries

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Meaningful evaluation of the ecological stresses imposed by man's release of heavy metals or radioisotopes into estuaries requires an improved understanding of the interactions between the waste materials and the functional components of the ecosystem. The types of information required for the development of useful models for the cycling of contaminant metals (both radioactive and stable) in estuarine ecosystems are reviewed. With particular reference to the coastal plain estuaries of the southeastern United States, the major reservoirs of these metals, the mechanisms and pathways of elemental transformation and rates of elemental turnover among reservoirs, and the responses of these processes and reservoirs to environmental change are discussed. A conceptual systems model is presented as the preliminary phase in the development of dynamic mathematical models of elemental cycling.

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A Progress Report on Mercury

Wood, J.M.

Environment, 14(1), 33-39; 1972, January

MERCURY; ARSENIC; SEWAGE; FUNGICIDES; METHYLMERCURY; DISCHARGE; METHYLATION; FISH; METHYLMERCURY; HALF-LIFE; ANALYTICAL METHODS; ATOMIC ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY; NEUTRON ACTIVATION ANALYSIS; GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY; SEWAGE TREATMENT; FERTILIZERS; RUNOFF; DREDGING; WATER QUALITY; LEGAL ASPECTS; MICROORGANISMS

The mercury problem is now well defined: There are huge amounts of inorganic mercury remaining in sediments, which is slowly being converted to methyl mercury, even after the discharge of mercury has been greatly reduced. Further, methyl mercury compounds are still used as fungicides in the U.S., but not in Sweden. The companies involved and the locations of the more serious pollution are given. The author calculates that less than 0.2 percent of the mercury in sediments has been converted and that approximately 500 years would be required to clean the system by biological methods. He mentions other possibilities, such as dredging (which he says redistributes the contamination and did not help at Minamata), covering the sediments and improving water quality so the microbial populations decrease. The author and his students studied the methylation process. Carbon, nitrogen, phosphates and trace metals provide food for the microorganisms and this determines their population level. The rate of methylation depends on the concentration of inorganic mercury and the population level of microorganisms. Poor sewage treatment and runoff from overfertilization have made the situation worse. Fish take up the methyl mercury in food and from the water. Methyl mercury has a half-life in fish of 400-1000 days in fish (flounder, perch, pike, eels). Thus, the accumulation can increase significantly even at a rather low intake. The author is critical of some of the analytical work and decisions. Flameless atomic absorption is cheap but gives lower values. The author prefers neutron activation as being far more accurate. Further, the author prefers a direct analysis for methyl mercury, e.g. by gas chromatography rather than total mercury, since this is the critical compound. While there is some mercury of natural origin being methylated, industrial pollution has greatly magnified the problem in recent years. The author discusses legal aspects in the U.S. and Canada.

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Mechanisms for Methylation of Mercury in the Environment

Wood, J.M.; Penley, M.W.; DeSimones, R.E.

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MERCURY; CONTAMINATION; METHYLATION; COENZYMES; NUTRIENTS; METHYLCORPINOIDS; METHYLCOBALAMIN; ENZYMES; MERCURY COMPOUNDS

A complex paper on the methylation of mercury. Methylation can proceed under both aerobic and anaerobic conditions and the rate is greater where pollution and nutrients lead to an abundant population of the suitable bacteria.

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Persistence and Reactions of Carbon 14-Cacodylic Acid in Soils

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ARSENIC; CACODYLIC ACID; SOILS; PERSISTENCE; CARBON 14; CARBON; AVAILABILITY; ARSINE; ALKYL ARSINE; DEGRADATION; EXTRACTANTS; SOLUBILITY; BIODEGRADABILITY

Carbon-14-labeled cacodylic acid (hydroxydimethylarsine oxide) was prepared by reacting ¹⁴carbon-methyl iodide with methyl dichloroarsine. Concentrations of 1, 10, and 100 parts per million of cacodylic acid were established in three soils of varying iron and aluminum content. At 2, 4, 8, 16, 24, and 32 weeks, soils were analyzed for ¹⁴carbon and total arsenic in the water-soluble (vs), calcium (Ca), iron (Fe), and aluminum (Al) fractions. Initially, cacodylic acid was distributed in the following fractions: $ws > Al > Fe > Ca$. After 32 weeks, the distribution was $ws > Al > Fe > Ca$. In contrast, inorganic arsenate (5%) was largely present in the Fe and Al fractions. Cacodylic acid persistence was a function of soil type and after 32 weeks the following amounts of ¹⁴carbon were recovered in each soil type by combustion: Christians (23%), Hagerstown (53%), Lakeland (62%). A decrease in both total ¹⁴carbon and total arsenic occurred in all soils with time. A pungent garlic odor was detected in soils receiving 100 parts per million, suggesting the production of a volatile alkyl arsine. The loss of arsenic suggests that one route of cacodylic acid loss from aerobic and anaerobic soils is by alkyl arsine volatility. Degradation under aerobic conditions also occurred by cleavage of the carbon--As bond, presumably yielding CO₂ and AsO₄(3-). This degradation is presumably due to microbiological action.

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Mussels and Barnacles as Indicators of the Variation of Mn 54, Co 60, and Zn 65 in the Marine Environment

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MUSSELS; BARNACLES; BIOLOGICAL INDICATORS; MANGANESE; MANGANESE 54; COBALT; COBALT 60; SALTWATER; THERMONUCLEAR TESTING; FALLOUT; COASTAL WATERS

TAXONOMY: MYTILUS CALIFORNIANUS; MYTILUS EDULIS

The intertidal byssal mussel MYTILUS CALIFORNIANUS and the oceanic gooseneck barnacle LEPAS ANATYPUS are efficient indicators of spatial and temporal changes in levels of three radiometals in the marine environment. LEPAS specimens collected from the northeastern Pacific during the first half of 1964 demonstrated oceanic-to-coastal ratios of Mn 54, Co 60, and Zn 65 fallout from the 1961-1962 thermonuclear tests of approximately 3:1, 4:1, and 2:1, respectively. Caesium-137 in the surface layers of the two sectors (whose centres lie about 1500 and 300 km west of San Diego) also showed a 3:1 oceanic-to-coastal enhancement of fallout from this source. MYTILUS specimens collected during 1963-64 along the northeastern Pacific Coast showed a fairly uniform distribution of Mn 54 and Co 60 between latitudes 46 and 29 north, but dramatically reflected the point source of Hanford-produced Zn 65 emanating from the mouth of the Columbia River. Relatively high zinc-65 concentrations, possibly related to this source, were detected in MYTILUS from northern Baja California. MYTILUS, the ecological half-times of the three nuclides observed in the invertebrates between mid-1963 and late 1964 at specific intertidal, coastal, and oceanic platforms were consistent with radioactive decay rates. This suggests an approximate equilibrium between input and removal of these radiometals in the mixed layer. Mussel and barnacle tissue-to-seawater enrichment factors for the three nuclides exceed 1000. In MYTILUS 4 to 6 cm in length, size variations had no significant effect on nuclide concentration, but 70% of the Co 60 and Zn 65 soft-tissue radioactivity was located in the kidneys and digestive glands of this organism. Bay mussels (M. EDULIS) taken from the coastal surf zone showed concentrations similar to those in M. CALIFORNIANUS, but M. EDULIS in two nearby bays had lower values. Intertidal coastal mussels and gooseneck barnacles recently collected from 14 California stations indicate average 1971 "baseline concentrations" of Mn 54, Co 60, and Zn 65 of 0-5, 0-4, and 0-11 pCi/wet kg, respectively.

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Mercury Concentrations in Dated Varved Marine Sediments Collected Off Southern California

Young, D.P.; Johnson, J.N.; Soutar, A.; Issacs, J.D.; South. California Coastal Water Res. Proj., El Segundo, Calif.

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MERCURY; SEDIMENTS; SALTWATER

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION: U.S., California (S. Coast)

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Effect of Copper and Silver Ions on Algae

Young, R.G.; Lisk, D.J.

J. Water Pollut Control Fed. 44(8), 1972 1643-1647

FISH; TOXICITY; ALGICIDE; GROWTH; INHIBITION; ALGAE; COPPER; SILVER; SYNERGISM

TAXONOMY: EUDORINA PEDIASTRUM

This study explores the possibility of synergism between Cu and Ag in the control of algal blooms on the theory that if such action does occur, total ions with recognized toxicity to fish and other wildlife would effect control of some algal species. In this work 0.3mg/l copper or copper-silver mixture was lethal to all blue-green algae tested. The green algae were more resistant, however. The copper-silver combination was slightly more effective than copper alone under the conditions used, but will be of questionable utility in the field when increased risk to desirable fish and the economic factor of the cost of silver salts are considered.

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Prediction of Incipient Lethal Levels of Copper to Juvenile Atlantic Salmon in the Presence of Humic Acid by Cupric Electrode

Zitko, P.; Fisheries Research Board of Canada

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The toxicity of copper to juvenile Atlantic salmon in the presence of humic acid is described. The incipient lethal levels of copper are predicted from the potential of a cupric ion selective electrode. This technique might be extended to other copper-complexing substances such as lignosulfonates, pulp mill effluents in general, and various organic compounds.

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Release of Heavy Metals from Sediment by
Nitrilotriacetic Acid NTA

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New Brunswick

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HEAVY METAL RELEASE; SEDIMENTS; NITRILOTRIACETIC
ACID; NTA; COPPER; IRON; ZINC; CADMIUM; MERCURY;
ION EXCHANGE; FISH; RIVERS; MINING

Cupric, zinc and ferric ions are released from aquatic sediments by nitrilotriacetic acid (NTA). Model experiments indicate that cadmium and mercuric ions behave similarly. Concentration of NTA as low as 1.0 mg/l (-1) produces in some cases measurable release of these ions. The release of heavy-metal ions is somewhat depressed by increased water hardness. In model experiments with ion exchange resins NTA affects only ions bound to carboxyls and has no effect on ions bound to sulfo groups. Widespread use of NTA would result in NTA concentrations in the order of 10-20 mg/l (-1) in surface waters. Since even low concentrations of NTA release heavy-metal ions from sediments, direct discharge of NTA into surface waters should be limited as much as possible. For the same reason, the use of NTA as a fish-protecting agent in rivers affected by base-metal mining pollution is not recommended. These studies were conducted on the sediments in the Northwest Miramichi River and its tributary, the Tomogonops River, New Brunswick, Canada, which drain a base-metal mining area.

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Methylmercury in Freshwater and Marine Fishes in
New Brunswick, in the Bay of Fundy and on the
Nova Scotia Banks

Zitko, V.; Finlayson, B.J.; Wildish, D.J.;
Anderson, J.N.; Kohler, A.C.

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FISH; SALTWATER; INDUSTRY; ATMOSPHERE;
FRESHWATER; MERCURY; METHYL MERCURY; EELS;
PICKEREL; WHITE PERCH; YELLOW PERCH; BROOK TROUT;
ATLANTIC SALMON

In only two cases was the level of methylmercury in marine fish above 0.13 parts per million. Fresh water fish ranged from approximately 0.1 to 1 or 2 parts per million. Some of the freshwater sampling locations were near industrial activity; others suggested pollution by airborne mercury. Methyl mercury in eels from one New Brunswick lake has not changed over 46 years, so some of the elevated levels may be natural.

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Active Phase of Assimilation of Plutonium 239 by
the Marine Algae ASCOPHYLLUM NODOSUM

Zlobin, V.S.; Zlobin, V.

Polyar. Nauch.-Issled. Proekt, Inst. Morsk. Ryb.
Khov. Okeanogr., No. 29, 169-175(1971); 1973

ALGAE; AMMONIUM COMPOUNDS; BIOLOGICAL EFFECTS;
CADMIUM COMPOUNDS; CHLORIDES; CYANIDES;
INHIBITION; PLUTONIUM 239; RADIONUCLIDES;
KINETICS; RESPIRATION; UPTAKE

A study was made of the problem of accumulation of Pu 239 by the brown alga *Ascophyllum nodosum* during suppression of cell respiration. As the inhibitors the author used sodium cyanide in a concentration of $1 \cdot 10^{-4}$ M, ammonium chloride 10 mM and 100 mM and cadmium chloride 2 mM. It was established that they cause a decrease in the Pu 239 accumulation factors in dependence on the substrate on which the act. A study was made of the mechanism of this phenomenon and it was possible to establish the dependence of the intensity of cell respiration and the accumulation factor. The article gives hypotheses on the means and methods by which Pu 239 in a colloidal state penetrates through the cell membrane.

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