Triclosan (CAS no. 3380-34-5)

Tier 1 in vivo Test

(1) Results

Fish were exposed to concentrations of 54.5, 103.9, 176.8 and 352.8µg/L (measured). No significant differences were observed in fertility rate, male and female gonadosomatic index and hepatosomatic index, male total length, body weight and secondary sex characteristics.

At 103.9 μ g/L, a significant decrease was observed in female body weight. At 176.8 μ g/L, a significant decrease was observed in female total length.

At 176.8µg/L and higher, a significant increase was observed in male and female mortality.

A significant increase was observed in female hepatic vitellogenin level, while a significant decrease was observed in male hepatic vitellogenin level at 176.8µg/L and higher.

A significant decrease was observed in number of eggs and number of fertile eggs at $352.8 \mu g/L$.

(2) Summary

The significant increase in male and female mortality at $176.8 \mu g/L$ suggested adverse effect on Medaka.

Estrogenic activity of triclosan has been indicated from literature. In this study, an increase in male hepatic vitellogenin level was not observed at sublethal concentrations to suggest estrogenic effect. It was not concluded that triclosan is an estrogenic compound.

The adverse exposure level of $176.8\mu g/L$ was ca. 1,900 times as high as the highest environmental water concentration of $0.093\mu g/L$ that was measured in MOE's Environmental Survey and Monitoring of Chemicals in FY2014.

Ishibashi *et al.* (2004)* have reported study results on matured male and female Medaka (*Oryzias latipes*) exposed to triclosan at the concentration of 12.8, 60.8 and 136.9 μ g/L (measured) for 21 days. At 12.8 and 60.8 μ g/L, an increase was observed in male hepatic vitellogenin level. At 12.8 and 136.9 μ g/L, an increase was observed in female gonadosomatic index. At 12.8 μ g/L, a decrease in F₁ hatchability and an increase of female hepatosomatic index were observed. At 60.8 μ g/L and higher, an increase in male gonadosomatic index was observed. At 136.9 μ g/L, a decrease in female body length and an increase in male hepatosomatic index were observed.

*Ishibashi H, Matsumura N, Hirano M, Matsuoka M, Shiratsuchi H, Ishibashi Y, Takao Y and Arizono K (2004) Effects of triclosan on the early life stages and reproduction of medaka *Oryzias latipes* and induction of hepatic vitellogenin. Aquatic Toxicology, 67 (2), 167-179.

Measured	Number of survived fish	Mortality (%)	Total length (mm)		Body weight (mg)	
concentration (μ g/L)	male and female	male and female	male	female	male	female
Control	24	0	34.7±1.0	34.1±0.80	419.1±29.9	461±25
54.5	23	4.1	33.6±0.7	33.5±0.7	378.8±28.4	449±11
103.9	21	12.5	34.8±0.7	32.8±1.1	416.6±12.7	409±20*
176.8	17	29.1*	33.3±0.9	32.4±1.27*	379.8±66.2	425±45
352.8	12	50.0*	33.3±1.46	33.2±0.94	361 ±57	437±30

Table 1-B Results (continued)

Measured	Number of eggs (eggs/female/day)	Number of fertile	Fertility rate (%)	Gonadosomatic Index (%)	
concentration (μ g/L)		eggs (eggs/female/day)		male	female
Control	25±5.1	25±5.2	97±1.3	1.1±0.17	8.5±0.6
54.5	26±3.8	25±4.0	96±3.3	1.0±0.13	7.3±0.42
103.9	24±1.1	24±1.0	98±1.4	1.0±0.23	7.5 ± 0.58
176.8	19±7.2	18±7.0	97±1.5	0.9±0.165	7.9±1.4
352.8	10±2.0*	10±1.89*	98±0.8	1.2±0.727	8.7±1.1

Table 1-C Results (continued)

Measured concentration (µg/L)	Hepatosomatic Index (%)		Vitellogenin (ng/mg liver)		Secondary sex characteristics	
	male	female	male	female	male	female
Control	1.4 ± 0.18	4.4 ± 0.48	5.4±5.4	581±142	118±6	-
54.5	1.6±0.23	3.8±0.40	3.3±4.7	616±220	118±6	-
103.9	1.5 ± 0.09	3.7±0.79	4.5±2.7	698±32	123±14	-
176.8	1.4 ± 0.41	3.8±0.30	0.9±0.1*	955±73*	106±4	-
352.8	2.4±1.08	4.5±0.23	1.0±0.3*	1,111±265*	113±19	-

Table 1-D Results (continued)

Measured concentration (µg/]	L)	Other observations
Control	Not found	
54.5	Not found	
103.9	Not found	
176.8	Not found	
352.8	Not found	

Data show mean \pm SD (standard deviation)

Statistically significant differences from control group (**p<0.01, *p<0.05) nd: not detected (below detection limit of vitellogenin: 1ng/mg liver)

(-): not measured

Secondary sex characteristics: number of joint plates with papillary processes