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#### **Ecotoxicological Serious Risk Concentrations for soil, sediment and (ground)water: updated proposals for first series of compounds**

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### **Abstract**

The Intervention Value for Soil/sediment and for Groundwater is based on the integration of a separately derived human toxicological serious risk concentration or SRC<sub>human</sub>, and an ecotoxicological serious risk concentration or  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ . This report presents a technical evaluation of the SRC<sub>eco</sub> and proposals for updated SRC<sub>seco</sub> for the first series of compounds. The evaluation considered the underlying data as well as the methodology used to derive SRCs. The compounds considered are heavy metals, cyanides, aromatic compounds, PAHs, chlorinated hydrocarbons (such as alkanes, benzenes, phenols and PCBs), pesticides, and other compounds such as phthalates. Over 100 individual compounds are considered, sumvalues for isomers or compound classes are proposed when appropriate. Together with the derivation of the SRC<sub>eco</sub>, also new Maximum Permissible Concentrations (MPCs) are derived. The information in this report is used in RIVM report 711701 023, 'Technical evaluation of Intervention Values for Soil/sediment and Groundwater'.

## **Preface**

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## **Samenvatting**

In 1990 is de eerste tranche van ecotoxicologisch onderbouwde 'Serious Risk Concentration' (SRCeco, voorheen aangeduid als ECOTOX-SCC) afgeleid voor de compartimenten bodem en sediment. Deze waarden dienden als basis voor de Interventiewaarden zoals in 1994 vastgesteld door het ministerie van VROM. Bodem/sediment of grondwater wordt als ernstig verontreinigd beschouwd, wanneer deze waarde wordt overschreden. Dit rapport betreft een evaluatie van de SRCeco voor de stoffen uit deze 1e tranche, en nieuwe waarden worden voorgesteld voor de compartimenten bodem, sediment en grondwater. De stoffen uit de 1e tranche zijn zware metalen en cyanide, aromatische verbindingen, PAKs, pesticiden, ftalaten, en gechloreerde verbindingen zoals alkanen, benzenen, fenolen en PCBs. Het rapport maakt deel uit van een project waarin de technische basis van de Interventiewaarden zal worden geëvalueerd. Naast de ecotoxicologische afleiding zoals beschreven in dit rapport zijn de volgende onderwerpen beschouwd: humane risico niveaus (Baars et al., 2001, RIVM rapport 711701 025), model concepten voor de humane blootstelling (Rikken et al., 2001, RIVM rapport 711701 022), en invoerparameters voor deze modellen (Otte et al., 2001, RIVM rapport 711701 021). Deze ingrediënten leiden tot voorstellen voor geïntegreerde SRCs, gebaseerd op zowel humaan-toxicologische als ecotoxicologische SRCs (SRChuman en SRCeco) (Lijzen et al., 2001, RIVM rapport 711701 023).

Aquatische en terrestrische toxiciteitsgegevens die zijn verzameld in het kader van het project 'Integrale Normstelling Stoffen' (INS) voor de afleiding van Maximaal toelaatbare risiconiveaus (MTR<sub>eco</sub>) en streefwaarden, zijn gebruikt om de nieuwe SRC<sub>eco</sub> waarden af te leiden. Voor stoffen waarvoor nog geen MTR<sub>eco</sub> is afgeleid, zijn nieuwe gegevens gezocht en geëvalueerd. Voor alle stoffen is naast een SRC<sub>eco</sub> ook een nieuwe MTR<sub>eco</sub> voorgesteld. Alle terrestrische toxiciteitsgegevens zijn omgerekend naar standaardbodem, met een vast percentage lutum en organisch stof. Bij gebrek aan experimentele toxiciteitsgegevens, en in sommige gevallen als controle van de experimentele toxiciteitsgegevens, zijn kwantitatieve structuur-activiteit relaties (QSARs) gebruikt. De sorptie coëfficiënten voor bodem en sediment, en octanol-water partitiecoëfficiënten -gebruikt als invoer voor QSARs- zijn overgenomen uit RIVM rapport 711701 021.

De methodiek voor afleiding van de SRC<sub>eco</sub> is waar mogelijk in overeenstemming met die voor de afleiding van de MTRs<sub>eco</sub> en streefwaarden. De SRC<sub>eco</sub> is gebaseerd op de HC50, dit is de concentratie waarbij voor 50% van de soorten of processen een ongewenst effect op de populatie is te verwachten. De HC50 kan worden beschouwd als een robuust getal, omdat het ongevoelig is voor de spreiding in de data. De MTReco is gebaseerd op de HC5, de concentratie waarbij voor 95% van de soorten of processen geen ongewenst effect wordt verwacht. Beide risiconiveau's worden afgeleid met behulp van de statistische extrapolatie ('refined risk assessment') of, bij onvoldoende gegevens, met 'preliminary risk assessment'. De SRCeco wordt bij preliminary risk assessment afgeleid uit het geometrisch gemiddelde van de NOECs of de L(E)C50s/10 (extrapolatiefactoren 1 en 10). Voor de MTRseco worden voor preliminary risk assessment extrapolatiefactoren variërend van 10 tot 1000 gebruikt. Doorvergiftiging is niet meegenomen in de afleiding van de SRC<sub>eco</sub>, verondersteld is dat doorvergiftiging van minder belang is daar de ernstig verontreinigde situatie doorgaans een beperkt oppervlak beslaat.

Er zijn een aantal veranderingen in de afleiding van de  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  ten opzichte van de in 1990 afgeleide waarden die de vigerende Interventiewaarden onderbouwen:

- De dataset voor toxiciteitgegevens, sorptiecoëfficiënten en octanol/water partitiecoëfficiënten is herzien.
- De SRCeco voor grondwater is gebaseerd op data voor oppervlaktewater.
- De SRC<sub>eco</sub> voor sediment wordt separaat afgeleid, en niet meer automatisch gelijkgesteld aan de SRCeco voor bodem.
- Omdat voor metalen de achtergrondconcentratie aanzienlijk is ten opzichte van de HC50 en niet opgenomen in de toxiciteitsgegevens, is de toegevoegde risicobenadering toegepast om de SRC<sub>eco</sub> af te leiden. Dit is in lijn met de afleiding van MTRs<sub>eco</sub> en streefwaarden voor metalen.
- Terrestrische processen zijn meegenomen in de afleiding van de SRC<sub>eco</sub>.
- LC50s en EC50s zijn niet gescheiden.
- Soorten worden gebruikt als invoer in de risicobeoordeling in plaats van taxonomische groepen.
- De eisen om statistische extrapolatie toe te passen zijn minder streng, en de statistische extrapolatiemethode is veranderd van een log-logistische naar een log-normale verdeling (m.n. van belang voor de MTR<sub>eco</sub>).
- Bij weinig data ('preliminary risk assessment') is de SRC<sub>eco</sub> gebaseerd op de laagste waarde van ofwel het geometrisch gemiddelde van chronische toxiciteitsgegevens ofwel van acute gegevens gedeeld door 10 ofwel evenwichtspartitie.

Over het algemeen zijn de SRC<sub>eco</sub> waarden voor bodem gebaseerd op een beperkte hoeveelheid gegevens, met uitzondering van de metalen. Voor alle metalen, en 24 organische stoffen, werd de SRC<sub>eco</sub> afgeleid op basis van terrestrische toxiciteitgegevens. Voor meer dan de helft van de organische stoffen waren geen terrestrische gegevens beschikbaar, en werd SRCeco voor de bodem afgeleid op basis van uitsluitend aquatische toxiciteitgegevens en partitiecoëfficiënten. Voor alle metalen, met uitzondering van nikkel, en voor pentachloorfenol kon statistische extrapolatie worden toegepast.

De SRCeco voor sediment is afgeleid met behulp van evenwichtspartitie. De meeste toxiciteitsgegevens zijn beschikbaar voor aquatische soorten. Voor meer dan een derde van de stoffen was een statistische extrapolatie mogelijk voor het aquatisch milieu.

SRCeco van organische stoffen afgeleid uit terrestrische toxiciteitsgegevens of op basis van evenwichtspartitie blijken onderling consistent. Verder blijken de MPCs zoals verkregen met extrapolatiefactoren goed aan te sluiten bij de resultaten na statistische extrapolatie. Voor cyaniden zijn geen bruikbare terrestrische toxiciteitsgegevens beschikbaar en ook partitiecoëfficiënten ontbreken. Daarom zijn voor de verschillende vormen van cyanide alleen een SRCeco voor grondwater afgeleid. Er is geen SRCeco afgeleid voor minerale olie.

De resulterende SRCeco waarden zijn niet altijd direct te vergelijken met de oude ECOTOX-SCCs die de vigerende Interventiewaarden onderbouwden, omdat destijds voor minder individuele congeneren risiconiveau's zijn afgeleid. Daar waar een direct vergelijk mogelijk is, zijn de nieuwe SRCseco gemiddeld ongeveer gelijk aan de oude ECOTOX-SCC waarden. Dit verschil is hetzelfde voor de metalen als voor de meeste organische verbindingen. Er zijn slechts enkele gevallen waarin de oude en nieuw voorgestelde ecotoxicologische risiconiveau's meer dan een ordegrootte verschillen. Het gaat dan om dichloormethaan, trichlooretheen, hexachloorbenzeen, drins, carbaryl en carbofuran, waarvoor in alle gevallen de oude ECOTOX-SCC meer dan een ordegrootte hoger lag dan de nieuw voorgestelde SRCeco. Voor de zware metalen zijn de nieuw voorgestelde waarden maximaal een factor 3,6

hoger (Hg) en maximaal een factor 2,1 lager (Ni). De veranderingen in SRCeco waarden kunnen zowel het gevolg zijn van verschillen in de methodiek als veranderingen in de gegevens omtrent toxiciteit en partitiecoëfficiënten.

Veel van de in dit rapport afgeleide MTRs<sub>eco</sub> zijn lager dan de huidige waarden. De op een log-normale distributie gebaseerde statistische extrapolatie, gebruikt in dit rapport, leidt tot vrijwel dezelfde MTRseco als de log-logistische extrapolatie. Extrapolatiefactoren volgens de EU/TGD resulteren in MTRseco die gemiddeld een factor 2 lager zijn dan de voorheen toegepaste 'aangepaste EPA' methode.

## **Summary**

In 1990 the first series of ecotoxicological 'Serious Risk Concentration' (SRC<sub>eco</sub>, formerly denoted as ECOTOX-SCC) were derived for the compartments soil and sediment. These values served as ecotoxicological basis for the proposed Intervention Values for Soil/sediment, which were established in 1994 by the Dutch Ministry of Housing, Spatial Planning and the Environment (Ministry of VROM). Soil/sediment or groundwater is considered as seriously contaminated, if the Intervention Value is exceeded. This report concerns an evaluation of the SRC<sub>eco</sub> for the compounds from the first series, and new values are proposed for the compartments soil, sediment and groundwater. The compounds from the first series are heavy metals, cyanides, aromatic compounds, PAHs, pesticides, phthalates and chlorinated hydrocarbons such as alkanes, benzenes, phenols and PCBs. The report is part of a project in which the technical basis of the current Intervention Values for Soil/sediment and Groundwater are evaluated. Besides the ecotoxicological derivation which is described in the current report, the following issues are considered: human risk levels (Baars et al., 2001, RIVM report 711701 025), model concepts for human exposure (Rikken et al., 2001, RIVM report 711701 022), and input parameters for these models (Otte et al., 2001, RIVM report 711701 021). These ingredients lead to new proposals for SRCs, based on both humantoxicological and ecotoxicological SRCs (SRC<sub>human</sub> and SRC<sub>eco</sub>) (Lijzen et al., 2001, RIVM report 711701 023).

Aquatic and terrestrial toxicity data which are collected in the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (INS) for the derivation of Maximum Permissible Concentrations (MPCs) and Negligible Concentrations (NCs) are used to derive the new SRC<sub>eco</sub> values. For compounds for which no MPCs have been derived yet, new data are collected and evaluated. Besides an SRCeco also a new MPC is derived for all compounds. All terrestrial toxicity data are recalculated into a standard soil, with a fixed clay and organic matter content. When experimental toxicity data are lacking, and in some cases as a check of the experimental toxicity data, quantitative structure activity relationships (QSARs) are used. Sorption partition coefficients for soil and sediment, and octanol-water partition coefficients which are used as input for QSARs, are adopted from the RIVM report 711701 021.

The methods for deriving  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$  is where possible in agreement with the methods for the derivation of the MPCs and NCs. The  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  is based upon the HC50, which is the concentration at which for 50% of the species or processes adverse effects on the population can be expected. The HC50 can be considered as a robust value, as it is insensitive to the scatter in the data. The MPC is based on the HC5, the concentration at which for 95% of the species or processes no adverse effects are expected. Both risk limits are derived by either statistical extrapolation (refined risk assessment) or in the case of little data by preliminary risk assessment. The SRC<sub>eco</sub> is in the case of preliminary risk assessment derived from the geometric mean of the NOECs or the L(E)C50s/10 (extrapolation factors 1 and 10). For the MPC, in case of preliminary risk assessment, extrapolation factors are used ranging from 10 to 1000. Biomagnification throughout the food-chain is not considered in the derivation of the SRCeco, as seriously contaminated situations are generally restricted to a limited surface area. There are few changes in the derivation of the SRC<sub>eco</sub> compared to the values derived in 1990 which are underpinning the current Intervention Values:

• The data for toxicity, sorption coefficients and octanol/water partition coefficients are revised.

- The  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for groundwater is based upon toxicity data for surface water.
- As for metals the background concentrations are substantial compared to the HC50 and not included in the toxicity data, the added risk approach is used to derive the SRC<sub>eco</sub>. This is in line with the derivation of MPCs and NCs for metals.
- Terrestrial processes are included in the derivation of the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ .
- LC50s and EC50s are considered in conjunction.
- Species are used as input in the ecotoxicological risk assessment instead of taxonomic groups.
- The requirements to use statistical extrapolation techniques are less stringent, and the extrapolation method assumes a log-normal instead of log-logistic distribution (influences mainly the MPC).
- If little data are available ('preliminary risk assessment') the  $SRC_{eco}$  is based on the lowest value from the geometric mean of chronic toxicity data *or* from acute toxicity data divided by 10 *or* from equilibrium partitioning.

In general SRC<sub>eco</sub> values for soil are based on a limited amount of data, with metals as an exception. For all metals and 24 organic compounds, the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  was directly based on terrestrial toxicity data. No terrestrial data were available for more than half of the organic compounds, the SRCeco for soil was than derived solely based upon aquatic toxicity data and partition coefficients. For all metals, with the exception of nickel, and for pentachlorophenol statistical extrapolation could be applied. The SRC<sub>eco</sub> for sediment was derived by applying equilibrium partitioning. Most toxicity data are available for aquatic species. For more than a third of the compounds, refined risk assessment was possible for the aquatic environment.

SRCseco for organic chemicals derived based on terrestrial toxicity data or based on equilibrium partitioning appear mutually consistent. For MPCs, results after using the assessment factors for preliminary risk assessment fit well with MPCs obtained after statistical extrapolation

For cyanides no usable terrestrial toxicity data are available, nor sorption coefficients. Therefore only SRC<sub>eco</sub> values for groundwater are derived for cyanides. No SRC<sub>eco</sub> is derived for mineral oil.

The resulting SRC<sub>eco</sub> values cannot always directly be compared with the values that are underpinning the current Intervention Values (ECOTOX-SCCs), as formerly risk levels were derived for less individual congeners. Where direct comparison is possible, the newly derived SRCseco are on average approximately equal to the old ECOTOX-SCC values. This difference is the same for metals and most of the organic compounds. There are only few cases in which the old and newly proposed ecotoxicological risk limits differ more than an order of magnitude. This considers dichoromethane, trichloroethene, hexachlorobenzene, drins, carbaryl and carbofuran for which the old ECOTOX-SCCs are more than an order of magnitude higher than the newly proposed SRC<sub>eco</sub>. For the heavy metals the newly proposed values are maximally a factor 3.6 higher (Hg) and a factor 2.1 lower (Ni). Changes in  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ values may both be the result of differences in both methodology and changes in data on toxicity and partition coefficients.

Most of the MPCs derived in this report are lower than the current values. The statistical extrapolation method based on a log-normal distribution as used in this report results in almost the same MPCs as the log-logistic extrapolation. Extrapolation factors according to the EU/TGD result in MPCs that are on average a factor of 2 lower than the previously used 'modified EPA' method.

# **1 Introduction**

Intervention Values are generic risk limits for soil/sediment and groundwater quality. When exceeding these values, historical contamination is classified as seriously contaminated. In 1994 Intervention Values for the first series of seventy compounds (Van den Berg and Roels, 1991) have been implemented (VROM, 1994). In 1997 24 new Intervention Values or Indicative Levels for serious soil contamination were implemented (VROM, 1997), based on the second series of proposals for Intervention Values (Van den Berg et al., 1994) and the third series of proposals for Intervention Values (Kreule et al., 1995). Another set of 15 compounds or groups followed in 2000 (Ministry of VROM, 2000) based on proposals for the fourth series (Kreule and Swartjes, 1998).

This report is part of the technical evaluation of the Intervention Values from the first series of compounds. The project contains evaluations of the following subjects: human toxicology (Baars et al., 2001), model concepts for human exposure (Rikken et al., 2001), input parameters for these models (Otte et al., 2001) and ecotoxicology (this report). The Intervention Value is based on an integration of human-toxicological and ecotoxicological criteria (Van de Berg 1991/1994); the human toxicological serious risk concentrations or  $SRC<sub>human</sub>$  and ecotoxicological serious risk concentration or  $SRC<sub>eco</sub>$  (see Figure 1.1). These values were previously referred to as serious soil contamination concentration (SCC), the HUM-TOX SCC and ECOTOX-SCC for human toxicological and ecotoxicological risks respectively.

In 1990 SRC<sub>eco</sub> values were proposed for the first series of compounds (Denneman and Van Gestel, 1990). These were based on the concentration that leads to adverse effects in 50% of the tested species (HC50), or the geometric mean of the available toxicity data. Adverse effects due to accumulation in the food-chain were not taken into account.

In this report proposals for updated  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$  are presented, based on the new information that has become available in recent years. Some of the compounds considered in this report have been evaluated in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' to derive Maximum Permissible Concentrations (MPCs) and Negligible Concentrations (NCs). For substances for which MPCs/NCs have been derived between 1990 and now, the same underlying data and information is used to derive the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ . The compounds of concern are listed in Table 1.1, together with the RIVM report in which these MPCs/NCs are published. The underlying data can be found in the cited reports as well. Only for the substances for which new data have been searched for, these underlying data are incorporated in the annex to this report. The selected data for the derivation of the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  are reported in the appendices of this report. These data are single species toxicity data for terrestrial and aquatic organisms and effect data on terrestrial processes. All toxicity data on aquatic and terrestrial organisms refer to effects that may affect the species at the population level.

The methodology for deriving SRCs is adapted; log-normal distributions are used instead of log-logistic distributions for refined ecotoxicological risk assessment (Aldenberg and Jaworska, 2000). For preliminary risk assessment also modifications are applied; the  $SRC_{\text{ceo}}$ is determined by the minimum value of 1) the geometric mean of NOECs and 2)  $L(E)CS0s/10$ . The added-risk approach is applied to derive the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for metals (Crommentuijn et al., 2000), because the background concentration is not included in the nominal concentrations from the underlying toxicity tests. For this purpose a general background concentration is used (Van den Hoop, 1995; Crommentuijn et al., 1997a).

Secondary poisoning is not included in the derivation of the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ , because the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  is proposed for limited areas of highly contaminated soil.

Together with the SRCeco proposals for MPCs are given. There are two reasons to this. First, for several compounds no MPCs were derived yet in the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' and for other compounds additional data were searched for. Second, the methodology to derive MPCs has been changed recently (see Chapter 2 and Traas, 2001). For compounds for which MPCs were derived with inclusion of secondary poisoning, the newly derived MPC is always compared with the old value for secondary poisoning. Because the air was not taken into account, the same reasoning applies to the harmonisation with the air compartment.

No ecotoxicological risk limits for total petroleum hydrocarbon (TPH or mineral oil) has been derived in this report. Main problem was that in most studies the composition of the mineral oil in the test medium was unknown. New data and methods will be taken into account in a separate study.

For the derivation of the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> partition coefficients between soil/sediment and water are used. The  $K_p$ s used in this report are taken from Otte et al. (2001).

In chapter 2 a summary of the methodology used to derive the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  is given in detail. The methodology is also described in the 'Guidance document on the derivation of ecotoxicological risk limits' (Traas, draft), and is based on the procedures described by Denneman and van Gestel (1990, 1991), Slooff et al., (1992), Crommentuijn et al. (1994), and taking into account the comments of the Technical Soil Protection Committee on the results for the second, third and fourth series of compounds (TCB, 1997, 1998). Chapter 3 presents the proposals for the SRCeco and MPCs together with the underlying data. A summary of the new proposals and old values for the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ , the MPC and the discussion on the results is presented in chapter 4.



*Figure 1.1: Outline of the Intervention Value for soil, sediment and groundwater. 1 is the SRC*<sub>eco</sub> (this *report), 2 is the MTR*human *(Baars et al., 2001) and 3 is SRC*human *and the integration of these two, the proposal for the Intervention Value for soil, sediment and groundwater (report number 711701 023).*

underlying data
Van de Plassche et al., 1993
Van Apeldoorn et al., 1988; Van de Plassche et al. 1993
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Van de Plassche et al., 1993
Hesse et al., 1991; Van de Plassche et al., 1993
Janus et al., 1991; new data, annex to this report
new data, annex to this report
Van Wezel et al., 1999a
Van de Plassche et al., 1994
Van de Plassche et al., 1994
Van de Meent et al., 1990
Van de Plassche et al., 1994
Van de Plassche et al., 1994
Crommentuijn et al. 1997c
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Crommentuijn et al. 1997c
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Van Wezel et al. 1999b; new data, annex to this report
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*Table 1.1: List of compounds considered in this report and reports where underlying data can be found.*

# **2 Methodology**

Figure 2.1 presents a schematic outline of the methodology to derive Ecotoxicological Risk Limits (ERLs), consisting of 4 different steps. The steps 1 to 4 in Figure 1 are followed for each substance or for a group of substances when MPCs/NCs and SRCs<sub>eco</sub> are derived. Step 4 is followed for the derivation of ERLs for sediment and, in the case that the toxicity data for terrestrial species are limited, for soil too. These steps are described in the sections below.



*Figure 2.1: Schematic outline of methodology to derive Ecotoxicological Risk Limits for soil.*

### **2.1 Literature search and evaluation**

Sources used for the collection of single-species toxicity data and data on soil/water and sediment/water partition coefficients are both in-house and external documentation centres and libraries, and bibliographic databases. A detailed description of the parameters searched for and criteria applied when performing the literature search and evaluation is described in Traas (2001). A summary is given below.

Toxicological criteria for aquatic and terrestrial organisms, which may affect the species at the population level are taken into account. In general these are survival, growth and reproduction and are commonly expressed as an L(E)C50 (short-term tests) or NOEC (longterm tests, covering a complete or partial life cycle, including a sensitive life stage or reproduction cycle). Besides this, effect data on microbiological processes and enzymatic activity are searched for, commonly expressed as a NOEC or ECx value. Sometimes also other toxicological criteria are taken into account. This is the case when the criteria in question are considered ecologically relevant, e.g. histopathological effects on reproductive organs of a species.

Contaminants accumulating through the food chain may exert toxic effects on birds and mammals. From physicochemical parameters like  $log K<sub>ow</sub>$  and water solubility an indication can be obtained for the bioaccumulative potential of the substance in question. If there is a positive indication, also data on the sensitivity of birds and mammals and BCFs for worms, fish and mussel have to be searched for deriving an MPC/NC. The substances for which this step is considered are organic substances with a  $\log K_{\text{ow}} > 5$  and a molecular weight < 600.

For metals this is considered case by case. However, for the derivation of SRCs this process of secondary poisoning is considered to be of minor importance, because these SRCseco are proposed for limited areas of highly concentrated contaminated soil. Therefore, secondary poisoning is not included in the derivation of the  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$ .

For a proper evaluation of the toxicity studies the reliability of the study has to be taken into account. A study is considered reliable if the design of the experiment is in agreement with international accepted guidelines such as the OECD guidelines (OECD, 1984).

Tables for chronic and acute toxicity data are given in the appendices of this report. The results of terrestrial tests are given in mg/kg<sub>d w</sub> of the soil and separate tables for species and processes are given. For soil, only studies in which the humus or organic matter content or organic carbon content is reported are taken into account. In all tables the results are shown together with the experimental conditions.

Not all the tests described in the literature are performed under the same conditions. Therefore normalisation of terrestrial test results was proposed by Denneman and Van Gestel (1990). All data on the sensitivity of species are recalculated for a standard soil containing 10% organic matter and 25 % of clay. For metals the following equation is used:

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ECx_{(ssoil)} = ECx_{(exp)} \frac{R_{(ssoil)}}{R_{(exp)}}
$$
 (1)



The Reference values for soil are based on the reference-lines. For all metals these so-called reference lines were derived by correlating measured ambient background concentrations (total concentrations in the soil-matrix) at a series of remote rural sites in the Netherlands to the percentage clay and the organic matter content of these soils (see Edelman (1984) and De Bruijn and Denneman (1992) and Van den Hoop (1995) for calculating the Reference-values; values given in section 3.1.12). The reference line corresponds to the  $90<sup>th</sup>$  percentile of the background concentrations. At present, the correction of the test concentration in laboratory tests to standard soil in the described manner is subject to debate. However, the values for metals presented here are still corrected in this way.

For organic substances the following equation is used:

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ECx_{(ssoil)} = ECx_{(exp)} \frac{H_{(ssoil)}}{H_{(exp)}}
$$
 (2)

in which:  $ECx_{(ssoil)} =$  Effect Concentration: normalised NOEC or LC50 for standard soil,  $ECX_{(exp)} =$  Effect Concentration: NOEC or LC50 for soil as used in the experiment,

- $H<sub>(ssoil)</sub>$  = Organic matter content of standard soil (10%),
- $H_{(exp)} =$  Organic matter content of soil used in experiment.

Considering Eq. 2 for organic substances: if  $H < 2\%$  the percentage is set to 2%, if  $H > 30\%$ the percentage is set to 30%. For PAHs the lower limit of 2% is set to 10% in actual risk assessment (Stuurgroep Integrale Normstelling Stoffen, 1999). However, in the derivation of MPCs the lower limit of 2% was used (Kalf et al., 1995). Organic carbon content is derived from the organic matter content by dividing it by 1.7.

### **2.2 Data selection**

This step will result in a selection of the toxicity data to be used in the extrapolation. The aim of selecting toxicity data is first to select reliable toxicity data and second, to select one single toxicity value for each compound and species. One parameter per species is necessary as input in the extrapolation methods. Therefore chronic as well as acute toxicity data are weighed as follows (Slooff, 1992):

- If for one species several toxicity data based on the same toxicological endpoint are available, these values are averaged by calculating the geometric mean.
- If for one species several toxicity data based on different toxicological endpoints are available, the lowest value is selected. The lowest value is determined on the basis of the geometric mean, if more than one value for the same parameter is available (see above).
- In some cases data for effects of different life-stages are available. If from these data it becomes evident that a distinct life-stage is more sensitive, this result may be used in the extrapolation by selecting the most sensitive life-stage.

Further, from one study NOEC of ECx values for different exposure times might be given. In general the most commonly used exposure time is selected, e.g. for acute tests with fish 96 h, for *Daphnia* species 48 h and for *Vibrio fisheri* 15 min. In some cases, especially when the effect parameter is growth, an effect may decrease after longer exposure times. In this case, the shortest exposure time is selected, e.g. for *Lactuca sativa*: 7 d, and for algae  $\leq$  48 h. For soil, toxicity data on terrestrial species as well as for microbial and enzymatic processes may be available. The latter are in principle summed parameters expressing the performance of a process. The process in question may be performed by more than one species and under toxic stress, the functioning of the process may be taken over by less sensitive species. From the foregoing it may be clear that effects on species and effects on processes are quite different. According to Van Beelen and Doelman (1996) the results of ecotoxicological tests with microbial processes can not be used together with single species tests in a single extrapolation, because of the difference between them. Therefore these data are not combined and both data for species and processes are selected separately.

In contrast with the selection of data for terrestrial species, for the data on microbial processes and enzymatic activity more than one value per process is included in the extrapolation method. As mentioned above NOECs for the same process but using a different soil as substrate are regarded as NOECs based on different populations of bacteria and/or microbes. Therefore these NOECs are treated separately. Only if values are derived from a test using the same soil, one value is selected/calculated.

For water, toxicity studies are collected for both fresh water and marine species. For the calculation of the ERLs these data are combined if there are no significant differences between the two sets. In this report, this is tested for all compounds with an unpaired T-test. Prior to this, differences in variance are tested by an F-test. However, the kind or number of toxicity data that are available for both groups can cause differences. If for example for fresh water species data are available for algae, crustaceans and fish and for marine species only for algae, differences in variance can be expected. To account for these differences in variance, the T-test is performed with a Welch correction. If the sets are significantly different, it is

examined whether this can be caused by differences in available data, such as the presence of other species in the fresh and salt water data sets. If it can be concluded that differences between fresh water and marine species are most likely due to differences in sensitivity, for example caused by differences in bioavailability, the data sets are not combined.

### **2.3 Calculating Ecotoxicological Risk Limits**

In the Netherlands the extrapolation methods used for risk assessment are the refined risk assessment (section 2.3.1) and the preliminary risk assessment (section 2.3.2). The first one is applied if chronic data for 4 or more different taxonomic groups or different processes are available. The second one if less chronic data or only acute data are available. For metals, having a natural background concentration, the Added Risk Approach is applied (section 2.3.3). For substances tending to bioaccumulate besides the ERL for direct exposure, based on single-species toxicity data, also an MPC/NC for Secondary Poisoning is derived applying the Secondary Poisoning Approach. For the derivation of the Intervention Values secondary poisoning is not included. In case, for the terrestrial environment no toxicity data are available, ERLs are derived on the basis of aquatic toxicity data and applying the Equilibrium Partitioning Method or EqP-method (section 2.3.4).

The SRC<sub>eco</sub> for groundwater is based on toxicity data for surface water.

#### **2.3.1 Refined risk assessment**

The refined risk assessment or statistical extrapolation method is based on the assumption that the sensitivities of species in an ecosystem can be described by a statistical frequency distribution. This statistical frequency distribution describes the relationship between the concentration of the substance in a compartment and a certain percentage of species unprotected. The method is applied if at least 4 NOEC values of species from different taxonomic groups or for 4 different terrestrial processes are available. For a detailed overview of the theory and the statistical adjustments since its introduction, it is referred to the original literature (Kooijman, 1987; Van Straalen and Denneman, 1989; Wagner and Løkke, 1991; Aldenberg and Slob, 1993; Aldenberg and Jaworska, 2000).

The concentration corresponding with a 50% protection level, which is the same as a Potentially Affected Fraction of all species of  $50\%$  or PAF = 0.5, is the HC50 (hazardous concentration to 50% of the species). This HC50 serves as basis for the ecotoxicological Serious Risk Concentration ( $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ ) and can be derived from the same sensitivity distribution as is used for deriving the MPC or from the geometric mean of the underlying data.

The aim of the MPC is that it protects all species in an ecosystem. However, in order to be able to use extrapolation methods like the one of Aldenberg and Slob (1993), a 95% protection level is chosen for the MPC as a sort of cut-off value (VROM, 1989). This HC5 (hazardous concentration to 5% of all species) can be derived using statistical extrapolation methods.

Until now, the method of Aldenberg and Slob (1993) was used for deriving MPCs if NOECs for four or more different taxonomic groups or different processes are available. This method assumes that the NOECs used for estimating the distribution fit the log-logistic distribution. Another method to determine the HC5 of HC50 is the use of a log-normal (Gaussian) instead of a log-logistic distribution. Numerically, the differences between these two distribution are marginal. The method described by Aldenberg and Jaworska (2000) is used in this report to evaluate the data. The advantage of the log-normal distribution is that it underlies many of the most common statistical tests, such as the T-test for testing differences of the mean between data sets and the F-test for testing differences in variance. Also a normality test (Kolgomorov-Smirnov) to test whether the data follow the assumed normal distribution, can be easily performed.

The HC5 and HC50 can be derived by (Aldenberg and Jaworska, 2000):

$$
\log \text{HCx} = \overline{\text{x}} - \text{k} \cdot \text{s} \tag{3}
$$

in which:

- $\bar{x}$  = mean of the log-transformed data
- $k =$  extrapolation constant, which is dependent on the number of data and the protection level (HC5 or HC50)
- $s =$  standard deviation of the log-transformed data

Another advantage of the method as described by Aldenberg and Jaworska (2000) is that it presents extrapolation factors to calculate the 5% and 95% confidence limit of the HC5 and HC50 values.

#### **2.3.2 Preliminary risk assessment**

#### **2.3.2.1 Assessment factors for the SRCeco**

If chronic NOECs are available for less than 4 taxonomic groups, preliminary risk assessment is applied, in which assessment factors are applied to the chronic or acute toxicity data. The factors and conditions used for deriving  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$  are shown in Table 2.1. In principle, to the acute toxicity data an acute-to-chronic ratio (ACR) of 10 is always applied to compare acute L(E)C50s with chronic NOECs. In future, one may deviate from this factor of 10 if more information of the ACR for the specific compound or endpoint can be involved. The data for the terrestrial compartment are always compared with those derived from the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for the aquatic compartment by equilibrium partitioning.

Available data	<b>Additional criteria</b>	<b>MPC</b> based on	<b>Assessment</b> factor	Tag
only L(E)C50s and no NOECs		geometric mean of $L(E)C50s$	10	
$\geq$ 1 NOECs available <sup>*</sup>	geometric mean of $L(E)C50s/10$ < geometric mean of NOECs	geometric mean of $L(E)C50s$	10	
	geometric mean of $L(E)C50s/10$ $\geq$ geometric mean of NOECs	geometric mean of NOECs		

*Table 2.1: Assessment factors used to derive the SRC*eco *for the aquatic and terrestrial compartment.*

this value is subsequently compared to the extrapolated value based on acute  $L(E)CS0$  toxicity values. The lowest one is selected

#### **2.3.2.2 Assessment factors for the MPC**

The magnitude of the assessment factors for the MPC depends on the number and kind of these toxicity data. The method used until 1999 for deriving MPCs in the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' is often referred to as the modified EPA-method (Van de Meent et al., 1990). The factors and conditions used in this method for deriving MPCs from aquatic and terrestrial studies and from secondary poisoning are shown in Table 2.2 - Table 2.4, respectively. In the derivation of the MPCs the minimum value (indicated by min the tables) of the NOECs or L(E)C50s for aquatic or terrestrial

species (indicated by aqua or terr in the tables) or birds and mammals (indicated by bird or mam in the tables) is used as a starting point.

*Table 2.2: Modified EPA assessment factors for aquatic organisms.*

Available data	<b>Additional criteria</b>	<b>MPC</b> based on	<b>Assessment</b>
			factor
$L(E)C50$ or QSAR estimate	$L(E)$ C50aqua <sub>min</sub> /1000 <	$L(E)$ C50aqua <sub>min</sub>	1000
	NOECaqua <sub>min</sub> /10		
$L(E)C50$ or QSAR estimate for	$L(E)$ C50aqua <sub>min</sub> /100 <	$L(E)$ C50aqua <sub>min</sub>	100
minimal algae/crustaceans/fish	NOECaqua <sub>min</sub> /10		
NOEC or QSAR estimate	L(E)C50aqua <sub>min</sub> /1000 (100) $\ge$	NOECaqua <sub>min</sub>	$\overline{10}^*$
	NOECaqua <sub>min</sub> /10		
NOEC or QSAR estimate for minimal		NOECaqua <sub>min</sub>	10
algae/crustaceans/fish			

this value is subsequently compared to the extrapolated value based on acute L(E)C50 toxicity values. The lowest one is selected

*Table 2.3: Modified EPA assessment factors for terrestrial organisms.*

Available data	<b>Additional criteria</b>	<b>MPC</b> based on	<b>Assessment</b>
			factor
L(E)C50 or QSAR estimate	$L(E)C50$ terr <sub>min</sub> /1000 <	$L(E)$ C50terr <sub>min</sub>	1000
	$NOECterr_{min}/10$		
$L(E)C50$ or QSAR estimate for	$L(E)C50$ terr <sub>min</sub> /100 <	$L(E)C50$ terr <sub>min</sub>	100
minimal three representatives of	$NOECterr_{min}/10$		
microbe-mediated processes,			
earthworms or arthropods and plants			
NOEC or QSAR estimate	L(E)C50terr <sub>min</sub> /1000 (100) $\ge$	$NOECterr_{min}$	$10^{\degree}$
	$NOECterr_{min}/10$		
NOEC or QSAR estimate for minimal		$NOECterr_{min}$	10
three representatives of microbe-			
mediated processes, earthworms or			
arthropods and plants			

this value is subsequently compared to the extrapolated value based on acute L(E)C50 toxicity values. The lowest one is selected

<b>Available information</b>	<b>Additional criteria</b>	<b>MPC</b> based on	Assessment
			factor
less than $3 L(E)C50$ values	$L(E)$ C50bird/mam <sub>min</sub> /1000 <	$L(E)$ C50bird/mam <sub>min</sub>	1000
	$NOECbird /mann_{min}/10$		
at least $3 L(E)C50$ values	$L(E)$ C50bird/mam <sub>min</sub> /100 <	$L(E)$ C50bird/mam <sub>min</sub>	100
	$NOECbird/mann_{min}/10$		
less than 3 NOECs	$L(E)$ C50bird/mam <sub>min</sub> /1000	$NOEChird/mam_{min}$	$10^*$
	$(100) \geq \text{NOECbird}/\text{mann}_{\text{min}}/10$		
3 NOEC <sub>s</sub>		$NOEChird/mam_{min}$	10

*Table 2.4: Modified EPA assessment factors for birds and mammals.*

this value is subsequently compared to the extrapolated value based on acute L(E)C50 toxicity values. The lowest one is selected

In this report the use of quantitative structure-activity relationships (QSARs) is restricted to those cases, in which the experimental data for organic chemicals exceed the QSAR data for narcosis. Because these QSARs represent the minimum toxicity caused by narcosis, this can be regarded as the upper limit for the HC5 or HC50.

In 1999, it was decided to use the assessment factors from the Technical Guidance Document of the European Union (EU/TGD), because of the harmonisation of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' with the framework of admission of plant protection products and biocides (Kalf et al., 1999). The scheme with assessment factors used are shown in Table 2.5 for the aquatic compartment and in Table 2.6 for the terrestrial compartment. Some modifications have been applied to the original schemes for the purpose of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards'.

- First, the classification in taxonomic groups is used instead of the original classification in trophic levels, because this classification is used throughout the whole derivation of MPCs.
- Second, for terrestrial data a comparison with equilibrium partitioning is made in all cases of preliminary risk assessment (see section 2.3.4).
- A third minor modification is that as input for one species the geometric mean of several toxicity data based on the same toxicological endpoint is taken instead of the arithmetic mean.

Available data	<b>Additional criteria</b>	<b>MPC</b> based on	<b>Assessment</b> factor	Tag #
L(E)C50s for algae, Daphnia and fish (base set)		$L(E)$ C50aqua <sub>min</sub>	1000	a
Base set $+1$ NOEC (not algae)	NOEC from same taxonomic group as $L(E)C50aquamin$ (fish or Daphnia)?			
	Yes	NOECaqua <sub>min</sub>	100	b
	No. L(E)C50aqua <sub>min</sub> /1000 < NOECaqua <sub>min</sub> /100	$L(E)C50aqua_{min}$	1000	$\mathbf c$
	No. L(E)C50aqua <sub>min</sub> /1000 $\geq$ NOECaqua <sub>min</sub> /100	NOECaqua <sub>min</sub>	100	d
Base set $+2$ NOECs	NOEC from same taxonomic group as $L(E)C50aquamin$ ?			
	Yes	NOECaqua <sub>min</sub>	50	e
	N <sub>0</sub>	NOECaqua <sub>min</sub>	100	f
Base set $+3$ NOECs	NOECs for Algae, Daphnia and fish?			
	Yes	NOECaqua <sub>min</sub>	10	g
	No. NOEC from same taxonomic group as $L(E)C50aqua_{min}$	NOECaqua <sub>min</sub>	10	h
	No. NOEC not from same	NOECaqua <sub>min</sub>	50	i
	taxonomic group as $L(E)C50aqua_{min}$			

*Table 2.5: EU/TGD assessment factors for aquatic organisms.*

For the aquatic compartment it is required that the base set is complete, i.e. acute toxicity studies for algae, *Daphnia* **and** fish. However, for more hydrophobic compounds (log  $K_{ow}$ ) 3) short term toxicity data may not be representative, since the time span of an acute test may be too short to reach a toxic internal level. In those cases, the completeness of the base set is not demanded and an assessment factor of 100 may be applied to a chronic test, which should not be an alga test if this is the only chronic test available.

In case the base set is incomplete, a factor 100 and/or 1000 will be applied to the lowest NOEC and/or L(E)C50, respectively, to derive the MPC. In Kalf et al. (1999) it is stated that the modified EPA method should be used in such a case. However, according to this method an assessment factor of only 10 should be applied to the lowest NOEC, while the highest assessment factor in the EU/TGD method to apply to a chronic NOEC is 100. If data are available for terrestrial species as well as processes, the data are considered separately and MPCs are derived for both.

Available data	Additional criteria	<b>MPC</b> based on	<b>Assessment</b> factor	Tag #
$\geq$ 1 L(E)C50		$L(E)C50$ terr <sub>min</sub>	1000	a
1 NOEC, no $L(E)C50s$		$NOECterr_{min}$	100	h
1 NOEC, $\geq$ 1 L(E)C50s	$L(E)C50$ terr <sub>min</sub> /1000 < $NOECterr_{min}/100$	$L(E)C50$ terr <sub>min</sub>	1000	c
	L(E)C50terr <sub>min</sub> /1000 $\geq$ $NOECterr_{min}/100$	$NOECterr_{min}$	100	d
2 NOEC <sub>s</sub>	NOEC from same taxonomic group as $L(E)C50$ terr <sub>min</sub> ?			
	Yes	$NOECterr_{min}$	50	e
	No	$NOECterr_{min}$	100	f
3 NOECs	NOEC from same taxonomic group as $L(E)$ C50 $term_{min}$ ?			
	Yes	$NOECterr_{min}$	10	g
	No	$NOECterr_{min}$	50	h

*Table 2.6: EU/TGD assessment factors for terrestrial species/processes.*

#### **2.3.3 Added risk approach**

The added risk approach, which was modified from Struijs et al. (1997) by Crommentuijn et al. (1997a), is used to calculate risk limits for the different environmental compartments. The approach starts with calculating an addition  $(SRA_{eco}, MPA$  or NA instead of  $SRC_{eco}$ , MPC or NC, respectively) on the basis of available data from laboratory toxicity tests in the same way as described in the previous sections. The effect concentrations from these laboratory toxicity tests are expressed in (nominal) concentrations added to the test soil. The specific ERL (SRCeco, MPC or NC) consists of this added part, which may be related to anthropogenic activities, and the background concentration  $(C_b)$ :

$$
SRC_{eco} = C_b + SRA_{eco}, \qquad MPC = C_b + MPA, \quad NC = C_b + NA \qquad (4)
$$

The negligible addition (NA) is equal to MPA/100, in which the factor 100 is a safety factor, to take into account combination toxicity (VROM, 1989). It must be noted that the background concentration and the SRC<sub>eco</sub> or MPA are independently derived values. The theoretical description of the added risk approach as described by Struijs et al. (1997) includes bioavailable fractions of the background concentrations that can vary between 0% and 100%. For the purpose of deriving environmental risk limits this approach has been worked out by assuming that the bioavailable fraction of the background concentration is zero  $(\varphi = 0)$  (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a). This was done because from a policy point of view the effects of the natural background concentration may be considered desirable. Furthermore, at this moment not enough information is available to derive the bioavailability of the background concentrations for metals and it was shown by Crommentuijn et al. (2000) that the resulting MPCs are not much different by assuming different bioavailability. With regard

to the bioavailable fraction of the metals and metalloids in laboratory tests, it is assumed here that the added metals and metalloids to the test medium are completely bioavailable, i.e. the bioavailable fraction of the added metal and metalloid in the laboratory tests is 100%.

#### **2.3.4 Equilibrium partitioning method**

In case no data on terrestrial/sediment species are available, the Equilibrium Partitioning method or EqP-method is applied to derive ERLs for soil. Besides the EqP-method is used for harmonisation (see section 2.3.5) of ERLs (MPCs and  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$ ). Three assumptions are made when applying this method. First of all, it is assumed that bioavailability, bioaccumulation and toxicity are closely related to the pore water concentrations. Second, it is assumed that sensitivities of aquatic organisms are comparable with sensitivities of organisms living in the sediment. Third, it is assumed that an equilibrium exists between the chemical sorbed to the particulate sediment organic carbon and the pore water and that these concentrations are related by a partition coefficient  $(K_{\text{oc}})$ .

Soft-bodied terrestrial organisms like earthworms and enchytraeids, will be mainly exposed via the pore water. The amount of a compound available in the pore water depends strongly on soil characteristics such as pH for metals and organic matter content for both organic compounds and metals. Relationships between the accumulation of metals by invertebrates and soil characteristics have been found (reviewed in Van Gestel et al., 1995). Also some relationships between toxicity and soil characteristics have been found like for instance for cadmium and earthworms (Van Gestel and Van Dis, 1988) and between chlorobenzenes and earthworms (Belfroid et al., 1994). However, for hard-bodied organisms this assumption of uptake via the pore water phase is questionable and it is unclear whether or not equilibrium partitioning gives a good estimate of the toxicity for these type of organisms. This topic is a point under discussion at this moment.

To be able to apply the EqP-method data on partition coefficients are required. In the framework of the evaluation of Intervention Values, a protocol has been developed for the derivation of sorption coefficients for organic substances normalised to organic carbon (*K*oc) and values have been calculated for all compounds considered in this report (Otte et al., 2001). These sorption coefficients are used for the derivation of the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ . According to this protocol, the mean of all reliable experimental data and one calculated value is taken. The calculated log  $K_{\text{oc}}$  can be estimated using the regression equations described by Sabljic et al. (1995). These are empirical formulas from which a log  $K_{\text{oc}}$  can be derived using a log  $K_{\text{ow}}$ . The  $\log K_{\rm ow}$  is derived from the MEDCHEM database; the star values from this database (MlogP) are preferred. If not available the value calculated on the basis of the ClogP method is used which is also given in the MEDCHEM data base.

From the  $K_{\alpha S}$  partition coefficients for standard soil and sediment  $(K_{\alpha} s)$  are calculated. Standard soil and sediment contains 10% organic matter and therefore the  $K_{\text{oc}}$ s are divided by 10.1.7 to obtain  $K_p$ s.

$$
K_{\rm p\ (standard\ soil)} = K_{\rm oc} \cdot f_{\rm oc} \tag{5}
$$

in which:  $K_{\text{p (standard soil)}} =$  partition coefficient for standard soil in  $1/\text{kg}$ <br> $K_{\text{oc}} =$  organic carbon normalised partition coeffici organic carbon normalised partition coefficient in  $1/kg$  $f_{\text{oc}} =$  fraction organic carbon of standard soil (=0.0588)

The risk limit for terrestrial/sediment species using equilibrium partitioning is calculated using the following equation:

 $ERL(\text{sed}/\text{soil}_{EP}) = ERL(\text{water}) * K_{p(\text{standard soil}/\text{sed})}$ 

in which:  $ERL(\text{sed}/\text{sol}) =$  Risk Limit for terrestrial species using the equilibrium partition method *ERL*(water) = Risk Limit for aquatic species  $K_{\text{p(standard soil/sed)}}$  = partition coefficient for standard soil or standard sediment in l/kg

#### **2.3.5 Deriving Negligible Concentrations**

The Negligible Concentration (NC), in contrast to the MPC, is not based on a fraction of species protected and is derived by dividing the MPC by a factor 100. This factor is applied to take into account combination toxicity (VROM, 1989).

#### **2.4 Harmonisation of independently derived ERLs**

When independently derived ERLs for water and sediment/soil are available, these have to be harmonised with those for water. This is done by calculating the ERL for sediment or soil from the ERL for water and applying the equilibrium partition method as described in section 2.3.4. In principle the lowest value of the ERL derived directly from the terrestrial data and the ERL resulting from Eq. 8 is then taken as the harmonised ERL. This is done for the MPC as well as for the SRCeco.

However, the uncertainties in both ERLs and the partition coefficient are taken into account. If statistical extrapolation can be applied to the terrestrial data (species or processes), the MPC and SRC<sub>eco</sub> are derived directly from the terrestrial toxicity data and no comparison with equilibrium partitioning is made. If not enough terrestrial data are available and preliminary risk assessment is applied, a comparison with equilibrium partitioning is always made for the derivation of the SRC<sub>eco</sub>. From this comparison the minimum value is chosen as SRCeco. Mostly, the derivation of the MPC is done in the same way. However, some exceptions to this rule were made in the framework of 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' because of expert judgement. In view of the status of the SRC<sub>eco</sub> the minimum value is always selected as a precaution principle.

In Figure 2.2 an overview is given how the aspects discussed in 2.3.1, 2.3.2, and 2.3.4 lead to the proposed  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ . As basis for the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  the HC50 is taken. The HC50 for water is derived directly from the aquatic toxicity data, either by refined or preliminary risk assessment. For soil the same approach is followed. Only if not enough data are available to perform refined risk assessment, harmonisation with the water compartment is completed by means of equilibrium partitioning. It should be noted that the HC50 for sediment is almost always derived by equilibrium partitioning, because data for sediment-dwelling organisms are seldom available, and that the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for groundwater is not harmonised with soil. Harmonisation of ERLs may be necessary because e.g. releases of chemicals to water and soil can, after volatilisation, lead to deleterious effects in the air. Multimedia fate models have been proposed (Van de Meent and De Bruijn, 1995) to harmonise independently derived ERLs. In these models, the environmental compartments are represented by boxes. Steady state intermedia concentrations that are expected to be the result of long term management policy are calculated. Comparison of the computed intermedia concentration with the proposed quality guidelines is carried out to check whether coexistence of these guidelines is possible.

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In the case of the Intervention Values, the derived  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$  are compared with the humantoxicological risk limits. These limits are obtained by recalculating the MPC for human toxicology into a corresponding concentration in soil, water or sediment by means of the exposure model CSOIL (Van den Berg, 1995) or SEDISOIL (Bockting et al., 1996).



*Figure 2.2: Schematic outline of the derivation of the SRC*<sub>eco</sub>

### **2.5 Mixture toxicity: sum values and toxic units**

For some groups of similar compounds, it will be desirable to take into account the combined toxic effects. A requirement for the implementation of risk limits for groups of compounds is that the compounds considered have the same mode of toxic action and their effects are additive. To deal with the combined effects of different compounds there are two possibilities.

First, a sum value can be derived for a group of chemicals. The sum of the concentrations of the individual compounds from the group as measured in the field is compared with this ERL for the whole group, which can be derived by taking the geometric mean of the individual values for the single compounds. An additional condition in this case is that the effect concentrations of the individual compounds are similar. The use of one value for the sum of similar compounds has the advantage that influences of uncertainties in the derivation of the ERLs for individual compounds are decreased.

Accumulation in organisms from soil and sediment is more or less independent of the physicochemical properties of the individual compounds. Sorption to soil and sediment and bioconcentration of organic compounds are almost equally dependent on hydrophobicity,

which results in more or less constant ratios between the concentrations in sediment and soil on the one hand and the concentration in organisms on the other, the biota-to-sediment/soilaccumulation-factors (BSAFs) (Hendriks et al., 1998; Tracey and Hansen, 1996). If compounds have the same intrinsic toxicity (mode of toxic action) this will also result in almost constant effect concentration in soil or sediment. For compounds with different physicochemical properties, a sum value can be derived for soil and sediment only if these BSAF values of the individual compounds are comparable, otherwise the effect concentrations will be different.

Because no information is available for these BSAF values, sum values are only derived in this report for isomers of compounds, for which it is assumed that they have similar physicochemical behaviour. These isomers are xylenes, cresols, dihydroxybenzenes, isomers of chlorophenols and chlorobenzenes, monochloronaphthalenes and hexachlorocyclohexanes (HCHs). Sum values are also derived for the structural similar groups of the drins. For pragmatic reasons a sum value for polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) is derived. In section 4.3.4, the outlook of deriving a sum value in the future for compounds that act mainly by narcosis is discussed.

Second, mixture toxicity can also be captured by working with toxic units. In this case, the compounds are assumed to have the same mode of toxic action and their effect concentrations are additive. In this approach the ratios of the concentration and the ERL of compounds from the same group are summed. The ERL for the sum of these compounds is exceeded if the sum of these ratios exceeds the value of one. An advantage of working with toxic units is that for each single compound the ERL is not averaged with that of other compounds. Consequently, differences in toxicity between the individual constituents in a group of compounds that are considered to have the same mode of action are still present in the calculation of the combined toxic pressure. In this way, mixture toxicity can also be taken into account for compounds with different physicochemical behaviour. For the water compartment, this is the only way to take into account mixture toxicity for most groups of compounds, because the individual compounds differ in their accumulation in aquatic species and therefore also in their toxicity.

For groups of compounds with a similar toxic mode of action but with different environmental behaviour, such as the chlorobenzenes, this approach is proposed. For the groups of PAHs, chlorinated aliphatic hydrocarbons, chlorophenols, and phthalates the mode of toxic action is not the same for all compounds. Some of the compounds in these groups exhibit only an a-specific mode of action, while others have besides this narcotic effect also a more specific mode of action to a part of the species. Therefore, no toxic unit approach or sum values for these groups of compounds are proposed in this report. Nevertheless, it may be desirable to take into account mixture toxicity for these groups. This topic of mixture toxicity will be addressed in a separate project within the framework of 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards'.

### **2.6 Methodology to determine reliability of SRCseco**

To denote the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> as reliable, they should meet the following criteria, according to the Technical Soil Protection Committee (TCB, 1997):

- at least four toxicity data should be available for as much as possible different taxonomic groups,
- for metals all toxicity data should be based on the terrestrial compartment,
- for organic substances not more than two data should be based on equilibrium partitioning.

Applying these criteria means that an  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for metals can be classified reliable only if toxicity data for the terrestrial compartment are available.

In this report three classes of reliability are introduced for the SRCeco: high, medium and low.

- $SRCS_{\text{eco}}(\text{soil})$  for both metals and organic substances are assigned a high reliability if the SRC is completely based on terrestrial toxicity studies. This means that for a high reliability score the SRC<sub>eco</sub> must be based on refined risk assessment for terrestrial data. This requires the presence of chronic toxicity studies for at least 4 taxonomic groups or terrestrial processes.
- A medium reliability score is assigned if preliminary risk assessment is applied to terrestrial data, i.e. some terrestrial toxicity studies are available. For organic substances a further possibility for a medium reliability score is, when the aquatic  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  is based on refined risk assessment and equilibrium partitioning is applied, provided that a reliable partition coefficient is available.
- A low reliability score is assigned to metals and organic substances if no terrestrial data are available, with the exception for organic substances mentioned above.

For sediment the same criteria are applied. This means that  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  (sediment) for metals will always have a low reliability, due to the absence of sediment toxicity studies. For organic substances, the reliability may be medium or low, depending on the number of aquatic toxicity studies.

For water the reliability is considered high if statistical extrapolation can be applied. If both chronic and acute toxicity studies are available the reliability has a medium score. If only acute or chronic toxicity studies are available the reliability is low. A low reliability score is also assigned to the SRCeco if only QSAR estimates are used for the derivation. If QSARs are applied as a comparison for the experimental toxicity data, the reliability score is based on the number of experimental data and not on the QSARs.

### **2.7 Differences with former methodology**

The ecotoxicological basis of the first series of Intervention Values was completed by Denneman and van Gestel in 1990. The methodology that was used to derive these Serious Soil Contamination Concentrations is slightly different from the methodology used in this report. In this report the methodology largely follows that of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards'. A summary of the differences with the methodology used by Denneman and van Gestel is given below.

- The SRC<sub>eco</sub> for groundwater is based upon toxicity data for surface water. The former SRCs were derived by equilibrium partitioning from the integrated SRC values.
- As for metals the background concentrations are substantial compared to the HC50 and not included in the toxicity data, the added risk approach is used to derive the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ . This is in line with the derivation of MPCs and NCs for metals.
- Terrestrial processes are included in the derivation of the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ , while in principle, processes were used by Denneman and van Gestel as a verification of the data on single species.
- LC50s and EC50s are considered in conjunction, the ACR applied to both values is 10, while Denneman and van Gestel treated these values separately, with ACRs of 10 and 5, respectively.
- Species are used as input in the ecotoxicological risk assessment instead of taxonomic groups. Denneman and van Gestel used the geometric mean of the data for each taxonomic group as entry.
- The requirements to use statistical extrapolation techniques are less stringent, and is applied if NOECs are available for at least 4 taxonomic groups. Statistical extrapolation was only applied by Denneman and van Gestel if there were toxicity data for at least five taxonomic groups from at least three representative groups for that compartment (e.g. algae, crustaceans and fish for water).
- Statistical extrapolation is only used on chronic data, in the past also extrapolation on LC50s and EC50s was applied.
- The extrapolation method assumes a log-normal instead of log-logistic distribution.
- If few data are available ('preliminary risk assessment') the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  is based on the lowest value from the geometric mean of chronic toxicity data *or* from the geometric mean of acute toxicity data divided by 10 *or* from equilibrium partitioning. In the methodology of Denneman and van Gestel, the number of data was the first discriminating factor to base the HC50 upon and thereafter the type of data:  $4$  NOECs,  $4$  EC50s,  $4$  LC50s, ..., 1 NOEC, 1 EC50, 1 LC50, EqP.
# **3 Results**

In this chapter proposals for  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  are given for compounds belonging to the different groups (see Table 1.1). For the compounds that have been evaluated in the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' the same data have been used to derive the proposals. The selected data used for the extrapolations are shown in the Appendices.

If at least 4 NOECs for species belonging to different taxonomic groups and/or at least 4 NOECs for different processes are available, the data and the estimated sensitivity curves are presented in a figure. In these figures the x-axis presents the sensitivity in categories (width 0.5 log(NOEC) units) and the y-axis the frequency of experimental data within a category. This frequency is obtained by dividing the amount of data in a certain category by the total number of data. The estimated curve is scaled on the same y-axis as the experimental data. In case no experimental data for terrestrial species and processes are available, the SRCeco for soil is based on equilibrium partition method or EqP-method (see 2.3.4). The  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$  for sediment are all based on the EqP-method, as no relevant data are available yet, except for diethylhexyl phthalate.

## **3.1 Proposal SRAseco for metals**

Metals occur naturally in the environment. However, the risk limits are based on the added amount of the metal and not on the total amount of metal present in the soil. All ERLs derived below are based on the added fraction. Therefore, the HC50 serves not as basis for the Serious Risk Concentration (SRC) but for a Serious Risk Addition (SRA). The proposed values for the SRCeco are based on this SRA and a background concentration, similar to the MPC and MPA:

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SRC = SRA + C_b \tag{7}
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For the purpose of intervention values, a generic background concentration or for some metals a location specific background concentration might be derived, by relating the background concentration to fraction clay and humus of the soil (Edelman, 1984; De Bruijn and Denneman, 1992). The total concentration of the metal in soil has to be compared to the SRC, which is derived by adding the background concentration to the SRA. For barium, cobalt and molybdenum the toxicity data as presented by van de Plassche (1992) are used to derive the SRAeco. The toxicity data as presented by Crommentuijn et al. (1997a) are used to derive SRAseco for arsenic, cadmium, chromium, copper, mercury, lead, nickel and zinc. The data were used to derive MPCs and the information on the ecotoxicity tests can be found in the mentioned reports. The proposals for the SRAs<sub>eco</sub> are included on the following pages. Because the used data are expressed as added concentration in first instance the HC50 is calculated as an added concentration. The selected data used for extrapolation are included in Appendix 2. For cadmium, chromium, nickel, and zinc an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term. When evaluating partition coefficients for soil and sediment it was decided that different values should be used for soil and sediment. The partition coefficients that are used in this report to derive the SRA are presented by Otte et al. (2001). Consequently, for metals always a different SRA for soil and sediment is derived. Most of the SRAs<sub>eco</sub> for soil are derived

directly from terrestrial toxicity data. SRAs<sub>eco</sub> for sediment are derived by equilibrium

partitioning for all metals. Therefore, the choice of the  $\log K_p$  has a major influence on the derived SRCs<sub>eco</sub>(sediment), in view of the large variance in  $\log K_p$  values from literature (Otte et al., 2001).

All the proposed SRAs<sub>eco</sub> are summarised in Table 3.2 together with the generic background concentrations, old values as proposed by Denneman and van Gestel (1990) and MPAs/MPCs as proposed by Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

#### **3.1.1 SRAeco for arsenic**

For terrestrial species only three NOECs for two taxonomic groups are available, 2 for plants and one for a worm (Appendix 2, Table A2. 1). The geometric mean of these values is calculated for deriving the HC50(species) of 56 mg/kg. Enough experimental data are available for microbial and enzymatic processes to estimate a sensitivity distribution (Figure 3.1, data in Table A2. 2). The HC50 from this sensitivity distribution is  $1.6 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg (90%) CI:  $1.1 \cdot 10^2 - 2.5 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg). The lowest of these two is selected as the proposal for the SRAeco for soil: **56** mg/kg based on species.



*Figure 3.1: Arsenic: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for terrestrial species and processes. The estimated curve is based on the data for processes (n = 20,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.21, s = 0.49).* 

The HC5 derived from the distribution of processes is 25 mg/kg  $(90\% \text{ CI: } 11 - 44 \text{ mg/kg})$ . The MPA(terrestrial species) of 4.5 mg/kg was derived by applying a safety factor of ten to the lowest NOEC for species according to the modified EPA method (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a). With the assessment factors of the EU/TGD a factor of 50 is applied if 3 NOECs are available. In this case, the resulting MPA is 0.90 mg/kg.

For fresh water 15 NOECs for species of 6 taxonomic groups are available. For the marine environment 2 NOECs for a macrophytic algae and a crustacean are available. Freshwater and marine data (selected data presented in Appendix 2, Table A2. 3 and Table A2. 4) are not significantly different ( $P = 0.38$ ) and lumped to derive the HC50(aquatic species). From these data a log-normal frequency distribution can be estimated (Figure 3.2). The HC50(aquatic species) is **8.9·10<sup>2</sup>** µg/l (90% CI:  $3.6 \cdot 10^2 - 22.1 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l). The HC5 of this log-normal

distribution is **24** µg/l (90% CI: 4 - 77 µg/l). With the log-logistic distribution a similar value of 25 µg/l was derived (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a).

For sediment the SRA<sub>eco</sub> is derived by applying the equilibrium partitioning method (EqPmethod). The log  $K_{p(sed/w)}$  is 3.82 resulting in an SRA<sub>eco</sub> for sediment of 5.9.10<sup>3</sup> mg/kg and an MPA of 1.6·10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg. The log  $K_{p(soil/w)}$  is 3.26 resulting in corresponding values for SRA(EqP) and MPA(EqP) for soil of  $1.6 \cdot 10^3$  and 44 mg/kg, which are higher than the SRCseco derived directly from terrestrial toxicity data.

For soil as well as for sediment a background concentration of 29 mg/kg (van den Hoop, 1995) is assumed. For water a background concentration of 0.77 µg/l (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a) is assumed.



*Figure 3.2: Arsenic: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species. The estimated curve is based on the combined set of fresh water and marine toxicity data (n = 20,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.95, s = 0.93).* 

## **3.1.2 SRAeco for barium**

No ecotoxicological data on terrestrial species are available for barium. Selected data on terrestrial processes are listed in Table A2. 5. The distribution of these data is shown in Figure 3.3. The HC50 of this distribution is  $7.3 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg (90% CI:  $5.0 \cdot 10^2 - 10.1 \cdot 10^2$ ) mg/kg).

The HC5 of this distribution is  $1.8 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg (90% CI:  $0.9 \cdot 10^2 - 2.9 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg). These data have not been included in the derivation of the MPA. The MPA of 9.0 mg/kg for soil was derived by equilibrium partitioning with a  $\log K_p$  of 1.78 l/kg from the MPA for water (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a).

The selected data for aquatic species are shown in Appendix 2, Table A2. 6. For barium, only data for the sensitivity of freshwater species are available. On the basis of the NOEC data an HC50(aquatic species) of  $7.0 \cdot 10^3$  µg/l is derived. Applying an ACR of 10 to the geometric mean of the L(E)C50 values yields a slightly higher value of  $9.3 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. The MPA for water was derived by the modified EPA method (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a). Because acute toxicity data are available for crustaceans (*Daphnia*) and fish and a chronic toxicity study shows that algae are not more sensitive, a safety factor of 100 is applied to the lowest

L(E)C50. The resulting MPA for barium was  $1.5 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a). According to the EU/TGD method, a safety factor of 100 is applied to the lowest NOEC in this case, resulting in an MPA of **29** µg/l.

The log  $K_{p(soil/w)}$  used here is 3.40 and the log  $K_{p(sed/w)}$  3.00. Applying equilibrium partitioning results in an SRAeco of **7.0·10<sup>3</sup>** mg/kg for sediment. The MPA for sediment derived by equilibrium partitioning is 29 mg/kg (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a). The  $\log K_{p(sol/w)}$  results in values for  $SRA(EqP)$  and  $MPA(EqP)$  of 1.8 $\cdot 10^4$  and 73 mg/kg, which is much higher than the

value derived from the terrestrial toxicity data in the case of the SRA. For soil as well as for sediment a background concentration of 155 mg/kg (van de Plassche and de Bruijn, 1992) is assumed.



*Figure 3.3: Barium: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for terrestrial processes and estimated sensitivity distribution (n = 15,*  $\bar{x}$  = 2.86, s = 0.36).

#### **3.1.3 SRAeco for cadmium**

For cadmium enough experimental NOECs are available for species as well as processes to estimate sensitivity distributions (Figure 3.4). The data used for extrapolation are shown in Appendix 2, Table A2. 7 and Table A2. 8. For species an HC50 of 12 mg/kg (90% CI:  $5 - 27$ ) mg/kg) and for processes an HC50 of 1.2 $\cdot 10^2$  mg/kg (90% CI: 0.9 $\cdot 10^2 - 1.5 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg) is derived. The lowest of the two is selected as the proposal for the SRAeco for soil: **12** mg/kg based on species.

For species the HC5 of this distribution is 0.79 mg/kg  $(90\% \text{ CI: } 0.16 - 2.10 \text{ mg/kg})$  and for processes the HC5 is 15 mg/kg (90% CI:  $10 - 21$  mg/kg) is derived. The lowest of the two is selected as the proposal for the MPA for soil: **0.79** mg/kg based on species (similar to the MPA of 0.76 mg/kg derived by the log-logistic distribution; Crommentuijn et al., 1997a).



*Figure 3.4: Cadmium: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for terrestrial species and processes and estimated sensitivity distributions for terrestrial species (n = 13,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.08, s = 0.70) and processes*  $(n = 70, \bar{x} = 2.08, s = 0.54).$ 

For cadmium NOECs for fresh water species and marine species are available (selected data presented in Appendix 2, Table A2. 9 and Table A2. 10). Fresh water and marine data are treated separately to derive the HC50s for aquatic species (Figure 3.5), because differences in the distributions were significant ( $P = 0.042$ , Welch-corrected). This is possibly caused by differences in bioavailability due to other complexation behaviour in a saline environment. The HC50(aquatic species) is **9.6**  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 6.1 – 15.2  $\mu$ g/l) for fresh water and **27**  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI:  $14 - 55 \mu g/l$ ) for marine water.

The HC5 of these distributions are 0.42  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 0.19 – 0.79  $\mu$ g/l) and 0.34  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI:  $0.10 - 0.88 \mu g/l$ ). From these values it is apparent that one MPA for both fresh water and marine water might be derived as well. This HC5 from the combined sets of data is **0.34** µg/l (90% CI:  $0.17 - 0.61 \mu g/l$ ). With the log logistic distribution the same MPA was derived (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a).

For sediment the SRAeco is derived by applying the equilibrium partitioning method (EqPmethod). The log  $K_{p(\text{sed/w})}$  is 4.93, resulting in SRAs<sub>eco</sub> of **8.2·10<sup>2</sup>** mg/kg for fresh water sediment and  $2.3 \cdot 10^3$  mg/kg for marine sediment. It should be noted that this partition coefficient is not derived for marine water. The MPA of **29** mg/kg for sediment is derived from the MPA for water.

For soil as well as for sediment a background concentration of 0.8 mg/kg (van den Hoop, 1995) is assumed. For water, background concentrations are assumed of 0.08 µg/l for fresh water (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a) and 0.025 µg/l for marine water (Van den Hoop, 1995).



*Figure 3.5: Cadmium: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species and estimated sensitivity distributions for fresh water species (n = 47,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 0.98, s = 0.82) and marine species*  $(n = 40, \bar{x} = 1.43, s = 1.15).$ 

#### **3.1.4 SRAeco for chromium**

Cr(III) is the most common stable form in soil. Most of the Cr(VI) present in soil is directly reduced to Cr(III). Only in oxygen rich soils, containing almost no organic matter and in which manganese oxide is present as an oxidant, Cr(III) is oxidised to Cr(VI) (Slooff et al., 1990).

Most toxicity tests in soil are for Cr(III), the most stable form (Appendix 2, Table A2. 11 and Table A2. 12). A statistical comparison between the data for Cr(III) and Cr(VI) is not very meaningful because of the limited data set for chromium(VI). The NOECs for chromium(VI) are within the range of the toxicity data for chromium(III) ( $P = 0.28$ , Table A2, 13). Still,  $SRAs<sub>eco</sub>$  are derived for both Cr(III) and Cr(VI).

- Chromium(III) in soil: NOECs are available for plants and earthworms resulting in an HC50(species) of 1.2 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg. With two NOECs available the MPA according to the EU/TGD method would be 0.38 mg/kg. For microbe-mediated processes an HC50(processes) of  $1.3 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg (99% CI:  $0.8 \cdot 10^2 - 2.1 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg) is derived (Figure 3.6), almost equal to the HC50 for species. The HC5 from this distribution is 8.5 mg/kg  $(90\% \text{ CI: } 3.8 - 15.9 \text{ mg/kg}).$
- Chromium(VI) in soil: For chromium(VI) only two experimental data are available for processes, resulting in an HC50(processes) of  $9.8 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg. The MPA derived from these data according to the EU/TGD method is 6.8 mg/kg.

The lowest value is selected to be the  $SRA_{\text{eco}}$ :  $1.2 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg based on the HC50(species) for Cr(III). The MPA of 3.8 mg/kg for chromium was the lowest value for chromium(III) derived with the modified EPA method (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a). With the EU/TGD assessment factors this MPA is **0.38** mg/kg.

To derive an SRAeco for sediment the EqP-method is applied using aquatic toxicity data. In water the distribution between  $Cr(III)$  and  $Cr(VI)$  depends on environmental circumstances, for instance pH, redox potential and total chromium concentration (Schmidt, 1984). Cr(III) and Cr(VI) can be interconverted depending on environmental conditions. However in surface water, especially marine surface water, either Cr(III) or Cr(VI) can be stable.



*Figure 3.6: Chromium(III): Distribution of chronic toxicity data for terrestrial species and processes. The estimated curve is based on the data for processes (n = 37,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.13, s = 0.72).* 

According to Nriagu and Nieboer (1988), Cr(VI) is more toxic than Cr(III) for most organisms. On the basis of the data presented in Table A2. 14 - Table A2. 16, it can be concluded that there is less variation in the NOECs for chromium(III) than for chromium(VI) but no differences in sensitivity of the combined sets (fresh water and marine species) between Cr(III) and Cr(VI) were proven. This comparison is however based on a smaller amount of data for  $Cr(III)$  (n=7) than for  $Cr(VI)$  (n=55). Therefore, HC50s(aquatic species) are derived for both Cr(III) and Cr(VI) and toxicity data are not combined.

- Chromium(III) in water (Figure 3.7). For aquatic species only data on fresh water species are available (Table A2. 14). The HC50(aquatic species) is  $2.2 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l (90% CI:  $1.0 \cdot 10^2$  – 4.8 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup> ug/l). The HC5 from this distribution is 36 ug/l (90% CI: 6 – 85 ug/l).
- Chromium(VI) in water (Figure 3.8). One protozoan species is very sensitive compared to other species for Cr(VI) (Table A2. 15). For the marine environment only data for three taxonomic groups are available (Table A2. 16). The data for fresh water and marine species are not significantly different ( $P = 0.84$ ) and therefore both sets of data are combined. The HC50(aquatic species) is 2.6·10<sup>2</sup> µg/l (90% CI: 1.6·10<sup>2</sup> – 4.0·10<sup>2</sup> µg/l. The HC5 from this distribution is 8.7  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 4.0 – 16.4  $\mu$ g/l).

If both sets for chromium(III) and chromium(VI) are combined the resulting HC50(aquatic species) is equal to  $2.5 \cdot 10^2$  ug/l. This value is of course largely dominated by the data for chromium(VI).



*Figure 3.7: Chromium(III): Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species and estimated sensitivity distribution curve (n = 7,*  $\bar{x}$  = 2.35, *s* = 0.46).



*Figure 3.8: Chromium(VI): Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species. The estimated curve is based on the combined set of fresh water and marine toxicity data (n = 56,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.41, s = 0.89).*

The HC50(aquatic species) for chromium(III) of  $2.2 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l is selected to be used when applying an SRAeco for sediment. The MPA for chromium(VI) is lower than that for chromium (III). This MPA is **8.7** µg/l (similar to the MPA of 8.5 µg/l for chromium derived from the log-logistic distribution; Crommentuijn et al., 1997a).

The log  $K_{p(\text{sed/w})}$  5.28 resulting in an SRA<sub>eco</sub> for sediment of  $4.2 \cdot 10^4$  mg/kg. With the MPA of 8.7 µg/l for water the MPA for sediment is  $1.7 \cdot 10^3$  mg/kg. The log  $K_{p(\text{soil/w})}$  of 3.68 results in values for SRA(EqP) and MPA(EqP) of 1.2 $\cdot$ 10<sup>3</sup> and 42 mg/kg, which are higher than the values derived from the terrestrial toxicity data. For soil as well for sediment a background concentration of 100 mg/kg (van den Hoop, 1995) is assumed.

#### **3.1.5 SRAeco for cobalt**

For cobalt one NOEC of 240 mg/kg for earthworms is available (Table A2. 17). Data on processes are presented in Table A2. 18. The distribution of the terrestrial toxicity data is shown in Figure 3.9.



*Figure 3.9: Cobalt: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for terrestrial species and processes. The estimated curve is based on the data for processes (n = 26,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.22, s = 0.55).* 

From this distribution an HC50 of 1.7 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg is derived (90% CI: 1.1 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup> – 2.5 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg). The HC5 is equal to 21 mg/kg (90% CI: 10 – 36 mg/kg). The lowest value for the HC50 of 1.7·10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg for processes is proposed as SRA<sub>eco</sub> for soil. The MPA of 24 mg/kg for soil was derived from the NOEC for species by the modified EPA method (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a). With the EU/TGD assessment factor of 100 to the lowest NOEC an MPA of 2.4 mg/kg is derived. Because enough data are available for terrestrial processes, no comparison with equilibrium partitioning is made. The lowest of the MPAs for species and processes is selected as the MPA for cobalt: **2.4** mg/kg.

For aquatic species data on freshwater and marine species are available. The selected data for aquatic species used in the extrapolation are shown in Appendix 2, Table A2. 19 and Table A2. 20. The data on NOECs for fresh water  $(n=3)$  and marine species  $(n=5)$  are significantly different, with the median NOEC for marine species being almost two orders of magnitude higher. Even the median L(E)C50 for marine species (n=4) is lower than the median NOEC for marine species, while the L(E)C50 for fresh water species is higher than that for marine species (Appendices 2 and 3 in van de Plassche et al. 1992). Probably, there is no real difference between the fresh water and marine species and the statistical analysis is strongly affected by the small number of data. Therefore, fresh water and marine data were combined.

The distribution of the combined data for fresh water and marine species is shown in Figure 3.10. An HC50(aquatic species) of  $8.1 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l is derived (90% CI:  $0.9 \cdot 10^2 - 71.1 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l). The HC5 from this distribution is  $3.0 \mu g/1 (90\% \text{ CI: } 0.03 - 35.8 \mu g/l)$ . With the log-logistic distribution the derived MPA was 2.6 µg/l (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a).



*Figure 3.10: Cobalt: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species. The estimated curve is based on the combined set of fresh water and marine toxicity data (n = 8,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.91, s = 1.41).* 

Using the HC50(aquatic species) of  $8.1 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l and applying the EqP-method with a log  $K_{p(soli/w)}$  of 2.08, an SRA<sub>eco</sub>(EqP) of 97 mg/kg and an MPA(EqP) of 0.36 mg/kg are derived, about 2 and 7 times lower than the values derived from the terrestrial toxicity data. The log  $K_{\text{p}(sed/w)}$  is 3.60 resulting in an SRA<sub>eco</sub> for sediment of **3.2·10<sup>3</sup>** mg/kg and an MPA of 12 mg/kg. For soil as well for sediment a background concentration of 9.0 mg/kg (van de Plassche and De Bruijn, 1992) is assumed.

#### **3.1.6 SRAeco for copper**

For copper enough experimental data are available to estimate sensitivity distributions for both species and processes (Table A2. 21 and Table A2. 22). However, the data for microbemediated processes are not log-logistically nor log-normally distributed ( $P = 0.031$ ). This deviation from these distribution is caused by the fact that 19 out of the 59 NOECs are for the same process but different soils from the same study. These data for ethylene production are all located at the lower end of the distribution (without correction for standard soil all NOECs are 10 mg/kg). From the distributions an HC50(species) of  $3.0 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg (90% CI:  $1.4 \cdot 10^2$  –  $6.6 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg) is derived and an HC50(processes) of 60 mg/kg is calculated as the geometric mean of the data. The lowest of these two is selected to be the SRAeco for soil: **60** mg/kg based on the HC50(processes).



*Figure 3.11: Copper: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for terrestrial species and processes. The estimated sensitivity distribution is based on the data for terrestrial species (n = 12,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.48, s = 0.65).*



*Figure 3.12: Copper: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species. The estimated curve is based on the combined set of fresh water and marine toxicity data (n = 87,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.26, s = 0.74).* 

The HC5 from the estimated distribution for species is 25 mg/kg  $(90\% \text{ CI: } 5-63 \text{ mg/kg})$ . If statistical extrapolation is applied to the data on processes, regardless whether it is lognormally distributed or not, the resulting HC5 is much lower  $3.4 \text{ mg/kg}$  (90% CI:  $1.8 - 5.7$ ) mg/kg). The value of 3.5 mg/kg derived from the log-logistic distribution is set as the current MPA for soil (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a). The 90% confidence interval of the HC50 would be  $41 - 87$  mg/kg.

The fresh water and marine data sets (Table A2. 23 and Table A2. 24) are not significantly different ( $P = 0.61$ ). The combined data sets are log-normally distributed (Figure 3.12). On the basis of these data an HC50(aquatic species) of **18** µg/l (90% CI: 14 - 25 µg/l) is derived. The HC5 from this distribution is **1.1**  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 0.7 – 1.7  $\mu$ g/l) equal to the current MPA for the log-logistic distribution.

To derive an  $SRA_{\text{eco}}$  for sediment the EqP-method is applied. Applying a log  $K_{p(\text{sed/w})}$  of 4.53, an SRA<sub>eco</sub> of 6.2.10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg is derived. The MPA for sediment derived by equilibrium partitioning is **36** mg/kg. For soil as well as for sediment a background concentration of 36 mg/kg (Van den Hoop, 1995) is assumed.

#### **3.1.7 SRAeco for lead**

The selected terrestrial data from Janus et al. (2000) are taken, where information on the ecotoxicity tests and selection of data used for extrapolation can be found (Table A2. 25 and Table A2. 26). The distribution of the available experimental NOECs for lead (species as well as processes) is shown in Figure 3.13. NOECs for species of six taxonomic groups are available ranging from 40 mg/kg to 1500 mg/kg. For processes NOECs for 12 different processes are available ranging from 15 to 7700 mg/kg. On the basis of these data an HC50(species) of 4.9·10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg (90% CI: 2.7·10<sup>2</sup> – 8.9·10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg) and an HC50(processes) of 5.2 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg (90% CI: 3.6 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup> – 7.5 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg) are derived resulting in an SRA<sub>eco</sub> for soil of  $4.9 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg.



*Figure 3.13: Lead: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for terrestrial species and processes and estimated sensitivity distributions for terrestrial species (n = 13,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.69, s = 0.52) and processes*  $(n = 39, \bar{x} = 2.72, s = 0.59).$ 

The HC5 for from the statistical extrapolations are 66 mg/kg (90% CI:  $20 - 136$  mg/kg) for species and **55** mg/kg (90% CI: 29 – 90 mg/kg) for processes. The latter value was also derived from the log-logistic distribution and is the current value for the MPA (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a).

For sediment the equilibrium partitioning theory is used to derive an SRA<sub>eco</sub>, based on aquatic data. The selected aquatic data from Janus et al. (2000) are taken, where information on the ecotoxicity tests and selection of data used for extrapolation can be found (Appendix 2, Table A2. 27 and Table A2. 28). The same as for mercury, lead can occur in a methylated form (D'Itri, 1990). However not enough information is available from the results of the toxicity tests to discriminate between different forms. The data for fresh water and marine species are not significantly different ( $P = 0.63$ ). The distribution of the available aquatic experimental NOECs for lead on species is shown in Figure 3.14. An HC50(aquatic species) of 1.5·10<sup>2</sup> µg/l is derived (90% CI:  $1.0 \cdot 10^2 - 2.2 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l). The HC5 from this distribution is 11 µg/l (90%) CI:  $5 - 18 \mu g/l$ ). This is also the current value for the MPA (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a).



*Figure 3.14: Lead: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species. The estimated curve is based on the combined set of fresh water and marine toxicity data (n = 42,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.17, s = 0.69).* 

The log  $K_{p$ (sed/w) for calculating the SRA<sub>eco</sub> for sediment is 5.63 resulting in a value of **6.3·10<sup>4</sup>** mg/kg. With this  $K_p$  a value of  $4.5 \cdot 10^3$  mg/kg is derived for the MPA. The background concentration for soil and sediment is 85 mg/kg (Van den Hoop, 1995).

#### **3.1.8 SRAeco for mercury**

Slooff et al. (1995) state that although methylation of inorganic mercury primarily occurs in sediments, it may also occur in soils. However, hardly any data are available for soils. Based on the scarce data available Slooff et al. (1995) assume that mercury in soil mainly occurs as inorganic mercury. However, as methyl-mercury in soil organisms has been demonstrated an SRAeco for organic (methyl-mercury) as well as inorganic mercury is derived.

- Inorganic mercury: For inorganic mercury enough data on processes are available to apply statistical extrapolation (Figure 3.15 and Appendix 2, Table A2. 29). The HC50 of this distribution is **36** mg/kg (90% CI: 17 – 73 mg/kg). The HC5 is **1.9** mg/kg (90% CI: 0.5 – 4.8 mg/kg). No data on species are available.



*Figure 3.15: Inorganic mercury: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for terrestrial processes and estimated sensitivity distribution (n = 18,*  $\bar{x}$  = 1.55, s = 0.76).

- Methyl-mercury: Only one NOEC of **3.7** mg/kg is available for methyl-mercury (Appendix 2, Table A2. 30).With the modified EPA method the MPA from this NOEC is 0.37 mg/kg (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a). Using the assessment factor of 100 according to the EU/TGD this MPA becomes **0.037** mg/kg.

To derive an SRAeco for sediment the EqP-method is applied. In natural water systems inorganic mercury is continuously methylated into its organic form, methyl-mercury. This transformation is carried out by micro-organisms in the water column and in anoxic sediment (Korthals and Winfrey, 1987). However, a highly significant difference is found between the toxicity of inorganic and organic mercury ( $P = 0.0001$ ), when comparing the fresh water or the combined data sets. Separate SRAs<sub>eco</sub> for inorganic and organic mercury in surface water are derived below and included in the table.

- Inorganic mercury: Highly significant differences ( $P = 0.0099$ ) in sensitivity between freshwater species and marine species are found (Appendix 2, Table A2. 31 and Table A2. 32), and therefore, separate HC50 are derived for fresh water and marine water. The data for both fresh water and marine species are log-normally distributed. The HC50(aquatic species) is **14**  $\mu$ g/l for fresh water (90% CI:  $6 - 30 \mu$ g/l) and **2.7**  $\mu$ g/l for marine water (90% CI:  $1.4 - 5.1 \mu g/l$ ). The HC5s of these distributions are 0.43  $\mu g/l$  for fresh water (90% CI: 0.10 – 1.20  $\mu$ g/l) and 0.21  $\mu$ g/l for marine water (90% CI: 0.06 – 0.046 µg/l). These HC5s are in the same range and therefore one HC5 for inorganic mercury can be derived as well: **0.23** µg/l (90% CI: 0.09 – 0.49 µg/l).
- Methyl-mercury: For marine organisms only one NOEC of 0.3 µg/l is available (Table A2. 34). This NOEC falls well ( $P = 47\%$ ) within the range of the freshwater NOEC values (Table A2. 33). The HC50(aquatic species) is derived using statistical extrapolation, combining the data sets:  $0.36 \text{ µg}/1$  (90% CI:  $0.12 - 1.11 \text{ µg}/1$ ). The HC5 from this distribution is  $0.011 \mu g/1$  (90% CI:  $0.001 - 0.042$ ).

Just as for soil, methyl-mercury is most toxic in surface water.



*Figure 3.16: Inorganic mercury: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species. The estimated curves are based on the separate sets of fresh water (n = 20,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.14, s = 0.90) and marine toxicity data (n = 18,*  $\bar{x} = 0.43$ ,  $s = 0.67$ ).



*Figure 3.17: Methyl mercury: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species. The estimated curve is based on the combined set of fresh water and marine toxicity data (n = 11,*  $\bar{x}$  *= -0.45, s = 0.90).*

The log  $K_{p(\text{sed/w})}$  for mercury is 5.05 (Otte et al., 2001). This value refers to anorganic mercury. It is not clear whether or not this value is applicable for methyl-mercury. Therefore, no ERLs for methyl-mercury are derived by equilibrium partitioning, and consequently no

SRCeco for sediment is given. For anorganic mercury the SRCeco fresh water sediment are **1.5·10<sup>3</sup>** mg/kg. The SRC<sub>eco</sub> for marine sediment is  $3.0 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg. The MPA for both sediments is 26 mg/kg. The log  $K_{p(soli/w)}$  is 3.88. With equilibrium partitioning an HC50 for soil of  $1.0 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg is derived for anorganic mercury. This value is almost three times higher than the value from the terrestrial toxicity data. The MPA calculated by means of equilibrium partitioning is almost the same as the value derived from terrestrial toxicity data: 1.7 mg/kg.

For soil as well as for sediment a background concentration of 0.3 mg/kg (van den Hoop, 1995) is assumed. This background is based on a total concentration without discrimination between organic and inorganic mercury.

#### **3.1.9 SRAeco for molybdenum**

Only data on terrestrial on processes are available for molybdenum (Table A2. 35). The sensitivity distribution of these data is shown in (Figure 3.18). The HC50(terrestrial processes) is  $1.9 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg (90% CI:  $1.4 \cdot 10^2 - 2.7 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg). The HC5 from this distribution is 39 mg/kg  $(90\% \text{ CI: } 21 - 60 \text{ mg/kg})$ .



*Figure 3.18: Molybdenum: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for terrestrial processes and estimated sensitivity distribution (n = 24,*  $\bar{x}$  = 2.28, s = 0.41).

The selected data for aquatic species are shown in Appendix 2, Table A2. 36 and Table A2. 37. Only one NOEC of 27 mg/l is available. L(E)C50 data are available for both freshwater species and marine species. On the basis of these data, no significant differences in sensitivity between fresh water and marine species are observed ( $P = 0.57$ ). By applying a safety factor of 10 to the median L(E)C50 of the combined sets, an HC50 of 68 mg/l is derived. The proposed SRAeco for aquatic species is therefore **27** mg/l. No acute toxicity data are available for either *Daphnia* species or algae. Therefore, no MPA can be derived according to the EU/TGD method. Therefore, a maximum assessment factor of 100 or 1000 is used for the lowest NOEC or L(E)C50, respectively. The resulting MPA is **29** µg/l. Acute toxicity data are available for other crustaceans and one chronic study is available for algae, which presents a NOEC that is almost equal to the lowest L(E)C50. Therefore, the MPA according to the

modified EPA method was derived by applying a factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50. The resulting MPA was  $2.9 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l (Crommentuijn et al., 1997a).

The SRAs<sub>eco</sub> for sediment is based on aquatic data and applying the EqP-method. The log  $K_{\text{p}(sed/w)}$  is 2.93 resulting in an SRA<sub>eco</sub> of 23 g/kg and an MPA of 25 mg/kg. With a log  $K_{\text{p}(soli/w)}$  of 1.60, an SRA<sub>eco</sub>(EqP) of 1.1·10<sup>3</sup> mg/kg is derived for soil. This value is markedly higher than the value of  $1.9 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg from the terrestrial processes, which is proposed as SRAeco for soil. The MPA(EqP) of 1.2 mg/kg is lower than the HC5 from the statistical extrapolation. For soil as well as for sediment a background concentration of 0.5 mg/kg (van den Hoop, 1995) is assumed.

## **3.1.10 SRAeco for nickel**

For nickel the HC50(terrestrial species) is based on the NOEC of 65 mg/kg that was available for earthworms (Table A2. 38). Two NOECs for microbe-mediated processes are available (Table A2. 39), resulting in an HC50(processes) of  $1.2 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg. The lowest of these two is selected to be the  $SRA_{\text{eco}}$  for soil: 65 mg/kg based on the HC50(terrestrial species). According to the modified EPA method a safety factor of 10 is applied to the lowest NOEC of 26 mg/kg for urease resulting in an MPA for soil of 2.6 mg/kg. With the safety factors of the EU/TGD an MPA for species of 0.65 mg/kg is derived and 0.26 mg/kg for processes. Both MPA-values are derived by preliminary risk assessment and therefore a comparison with equilibrium partitioning is made.



*Figure 3.19: Nickel: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species and estimated distribution (n = 15,*  $\bar{x}$  = 2.70, s = 1.43).

For sediment the equilibrium partitioning theory is used to derive an SRA<sub>eco</sub>, based on aquatic data. The selected aquatic data from van de Meent et al. (1990) are taken (Appendix 2, Table A2. 40). The distribution of the available aquatic experimental NOECs for nickel on species is shown in Figure 3.19. NOECs are available for species of six taxonomic groups. An HC50(aquatic species) of  $5.0 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l is derived (90% CI:  $1.1 \cdot 10^2$  -  $22.2 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l). The HC5 from this distribution is **1.9**  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 0.1 – 12.6  $\mu$ g/l).

Because of the limited terrestrial data for nickel, a comparison with equilibrium partitioning is made. The log  $K_p$  for soil is 3.30. With the HC50(aquatic species) of 5.0·10<sup>2</sup>  $\mu$ g/l, the resulting value for the HC50(EqP) is  $9.9 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg. This value is higher than the HC50 of 65 mg/kg derived directly from the terrestrial toxicity data. The final proposal for the  $SRA_{\text{eco}}$  is thus **65** mg/kg. Also the MPA for soil calculated from the HC5 for water by equilibrium partitioning is higher than the MPA derived from the terrestrial toxicity data. The MPA is therefore derived from the terrestrial data: **0.26** mg/kg.

The log  $K_p$  for sediment is 3.72 resulting in an  $SRA_{\text{eco}}$  of  $2.6 \cdot 10^3$  mg/kg and an MPA of 10 mg/kg. The background concentration for soil and sediment is 35 mg/kg (Van den Hoop, 1995).

#### **3.1.11 SRAeco for zinc**

For zinc the selected terrestrial data from Janus (1993) are taken (Table A2. 41 and Table A2. 42). The distributions of the available experimental NOECs for zinc are shown in Figure 3.20. On the basis of these data an HC50(species) of 3.9 $\cdot 10^2$  mg/kg (90% CI: 2.5 $\cdot 10^2$  mg/kg – 6.0·10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg) and an HC50(processes) of 2.1·10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg (90% CI: 1.2·10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg – 3.4·10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg) are derived resulting in an SRA<sub>eco</sub> for soil of 2.1.10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg. The HC5 for species is  $1.4\cdot10^2$  mg/kg (90% CI: 0.5 $\cdot10^2$  mg/kg – 2.2 $\cdot10^2$  mg/kg). For processes this value is much lower: **16** mg/kg (90% CI: 6 – 31 mg/kg).



*Figure 3.20: Zinc: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for terrestrial species and processes and estimated sensitivity distributions for terrestrial species (n = 7,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.59, s = 0.26) and processes*  $(n = 27, \overline{x} = 2.32, s = 0.67).$ 

For sediment the equilibrium partition theory is used to derive an  $SRA_{\text{eco}}$ , based on aquatic data. The selected aquatic data from Janus (1993) are taken, where information on the ecotoxicity tests and selection of data used for extrapolation can be found (Appendix 2, Table A2. 43 and Table A2. 44). Fresh water and marine species are not significantly different ( $P =$ 0.63). The distribution of the available aquatic experimental NOECs for zinc on species is shown in Figure 3.21. An HC50(aquatic species) of **89** µg/l is derived (90% CI: 62 - 127  $\mu$ g/l). The HC5 is **7.3**  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 3.9 – 11.9  $\mu$ g/l). The log  $K_p$  for sediment is 4.86 resulting

in an SRAeco of **6.4·103** mg/kg and an MPA of **5.3·102** mg/kg. The background concentration for soil and sediment is 140 mg/kg (Van den Hoop, 1995).



*Figure 3.21: Zinc: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species. The estimated curve is based on the combined set of fresh water and marine toxicity data (n = 49,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.95, s = 0.66).* 

#### **3.1.12 Summary and comparison with old values and MPCs**

In Table 3.2 the SRAs<sub>eco</sub> for metals in soil and sediment are summarised. Besides the values derived in the present report also the old values derived in Denneman and Van Gestel (1990) and the background concentrations and MPA values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (Van de Plassche and De Bruijn, 1992; Crommentuijn et al., 1997a) are presented. For each metal and compartment the reliability of the SRC is indicated.

To illustrate the influence of the  $\log K_p$  on the SRAs<sub>eco</sub> and MPCs, values for soil and sediment derived with equilibrium partitioning and the values for soil derived directly from terrestrial toxicity data are included in Table 3.1. For comparison, both the  $\log K_p$  values used in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (INS, data from Bockting et al., 1992 in Crommentuijn et al., 1997) and those used here in the context of the project 711701 to derive the new SRC values (IW, data from Sauvé et al., 2000 in Otte et al., 2001). Most of the SRCs derived by equilibrium partitioning are in the same order of magnitude as the values derived directly from terrestrial data (< factor of 10). However, it is clear that large differences exist between the two sets for  $\log K_p$ . Therefore, the use of  $\log K_p$ to derive ERLs for metals by equilibrium partitioning introduces large uncertainties. The ERLs for sediment are all based on equilibrium partitioning. The data set of Stortelder et al. (1989) for log  $K_p$  of sediment is used for this purpose. Because of the crucial role of log  $K_p$  in the derivation of the ERLs for sediment, these ERLs should be considered uncertain as far as metals are concerned. For mercury it is not clear whether the partition coefficients may be applied to the values for methyl-mercury.

*Table 3.1:* SRA<sub>eco</sub> and MPA for metals in soil or sediment derived directly from terrestrial toxicity *data, or by equilibrium partitioning (EqP) from the soil/sediment-water partition coefficients (K*p*) used in the framework of the projects 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (INS) and 'Technical evaluation of Intervention Values for soil/sediment and groundwater' (IW)*



a Based on data for Cr(III), MPAs derived by equilibrium partitioning based on Cr(VI).

It should be noted that for comparison with the old data from Denneman and van Gestel (1990) the background concentration has to be summed to  $SRAs_{\text{eco}}$ . For the purpose of Intervention Values the use of a location specific background concentration may be suitable. With the reference lines for the metals and the known composition of the soil (% organic matter (H) and  $\%$  clay (L)) this background concentration can be calculated and added to the SRA to obtain a location specific Intervention Value.

In Table 3.3 the SRAs<sub>eco</sub> for metals in water are listed. Further, information on the MPA and background concentrations as derived in the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' is given. The SRAs<sub>eco</sub> in fresh surface water serve as the basis for the Intervention Values in groundwater. To the SRAs<sub>eco</sub> and MPC the dissolved background concentrations should be added. Also fresh, marine and groundwater these background concentrations are listed in the table. In most cases background concentrations for water are almost negligible compared to the SRAseco.



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	- For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term. d For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term.



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Table 3.3: Summary of new SRA<sub>eco</sub> values for metals in water, MPA and background values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated *Table 3.3: Summary of new SRA*eco *values for metals in water, MPA and background values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated*

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a SRA based on data for Cr(III), MPA based on data for Cr(VI).

For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term. b For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term. $\frac{a}{b}$ 

## **3.2 Proposals for SRCseco for cyanides**

For free cyanide  $(CN)$ , thiocyanate  $(SCN)$  and complex cyanides  $([CN]_x)$ no data have been collected in the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards'. Therefore, a literature search was performed for cyanides. These data are presented in the annex to this report. Because no risk limits have been derived for cyanides, also the MPC and NC are derived for these compounds besides the HC50. For none of the three groups distribution coefficients between soil and water are available at this time. Further, no suitable ecotoxicological data for soil or sediment were found. Therefore, it was decided to base the SRC<sub>eco</sub> on concentrations in groundwater. All selected data are presented in Appendix 3. The derived risk limits are summarised in 3.2.4

## **3.2.1 SRCeco for free cyanide**

For free cyanide data are available for six taxonomic groups (Table A3. 1 and Table A3. 2). Therefore, statistical extrapolation can be applied. Only one study is performed with marine species, which fits well into the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 54\%$ ). Therefore, the fresh and marine data are grouped together. The statistical extrapolation is shown in Figure 3.22. The HC50(aquatic species) is **31**  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI:  $7 - 134 \mu$ g/l). The MPC is equal to the HC5 estimate of **0.23**  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 0.01 – 1.33  $\mu$ g/l).



*Figure 3.22: Free cyanide: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species. The estimated curve is based on the combined set of fresh water and marine toxicity data (n = 13,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.50, s = 1.27).*

## **3.2.2 SRCeco for thiocyanate**

For thiocyanate one LC50 for a terrestrial species is available (Table A3. 3). This value of 6.2 $\cdot$ 10<sup>3</sup> mg/kg could be used for the derivation an SRC<sub>eco</sub> for soil. With an assessment factor of 10 the resulting SRC<sub>eco</sub> is **6.2·10<sup>2</sup>** mg/kg. Application of an assessment factor of 1000 results in an MPC of **6.2** mg/kg. However, no comparison is possible with equilibrium

partitioning due to the lack of distribution coefficients. For aquatic species, chronic and acute studies are available for fresh water species only (Table A3. 4). From the chronic toxicity studies an HC50 of 1.0 $\cdot$ 10<sup>4</sup> µg/l is derived. With an ACR of 10, the HC50 derived from acute data is 1.9·10<sup>4</sup>  $\mu$ g/l. The lower value of 1.0·10<sup>4</sup>  $\mu$ g/l is selected as the HC50(aquatic species). For thiocyanate neither chronic nor acute data for algae are available. Therefore, the MPC is based on a comparison between chronic and acute data, according to the modified EPA method. Applying a safety factor of 10 to the lowest chronic NOEC gives a value of 36 µg/l. However, applying a safety factor of 1000 to the lowest acute study gives a lower value of 5.9 µg/l, which is proposed as MPC. The EU/TGD method could not be used to derive an MPC because the base set of data is not complete. Therefore, a maximum assessment factor of 100 or 1000 is used for the lowest NOEC or L(E)C50, respectively. The resulting MPC is **3.6** µg/l.

## **3.2.3 SRCeco for cyanide complex**

For three cyanide complexes data were found in literature:  $\text{Na}_3[\text{Cu(CN)}_4]$  for fresh water species and  $K_3Fe(CN)_6$  and  $K_4Fe(CN)_6$  for marine species (Table A3. 5 and Table A3. 6). The values are expressed as CN- . On the basis of acute data an HC50 of 65 µg/l is derived and from the chronic studies 29 µg/l. The HC50(aquatic species) of **29** µg/l is almost equal to the value for free cyanides and consequently, no separate value is necessary for these types of cyanide complexes.

For cyanide complexes, a safety factor of 10 applied to the lowest NOEC according to the modified EPA method returns a value of 2.6 µg/l. However, chronic studies are available for only algae. Therefore, a comparison is made with acute toxicity data. Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (no *Daphnia*) and fish. Therefore, a safety factor of 100 is applied to the lowest acute value, which leads to an MPC of 1.3 µg/l. Because no complete base set is available, no MPC can be derived according to the EU/TGD method. Therefore, a maximum assessment factor of 100 or 1000 is applied to the lowest NOEC or L(E)C50, respectively. The resulting MPC is **0.13** µg/l.

## **3.2.4 Summary**

No risk limits have been derived formerly, neither as Intervention Value nor in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards'. For free and complex cyanides, no suitable terrestrial toxicity data are available. Information on the partitioning between soil and water is also missing and therefore, the equilibrium partitioning theory cannot be applies. For these reasons, only SRCseco for free and complex cyanides are derived for groundwater. These values are based on the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> for surface water and are listed in Table 3.4, together with the values for thiocyanate.

Compound	Compartment	$SRC_{\rm eco}$	$Method^*$	MPC	Method <sup>®</sup>	NС
		[ $\mu$ g/l]	reliability score	[ $\mu$ g/l]		[ $\mu$ g/l]
free cyanide $(CN)$	surface water	31	ref. $/$ high	0.23	ref.	0.0023
thiocyanate (SCN)	surface water	$1.0 \cdot 10^4$	1 c / medium	3.6	1000 incompl.	0.036
cyanide complexes (CN <sup>-</sup> )	surface water	29	1 c / medium	0.13	100 incompl.	0.0013
		[mg/kg]		[mg/kg]		[mg/kg]
thiocyanate (SCN)	soil	620	$10$ a sp. / low	6.2	1000 a sp.	0.062

*Table 3.4: Summary of new SRC*eco *values and MPC/NC values for cyanides.*

For the SRC<sub>eco</sub> and the MPC the abbreviation ref. is used in case of refined risk assessment. The assessment factor together with the designation according to Table 2.1, Table 2.5, and Table 2.6 is given in case of preliminary risk assessment. An incomplete base set is indicated by the abbreviation incompl. Whether the SRC<sub>eco</sub> or the MPC for soil is based on species or processes is indicated by the abbreviation sp. and pr.

For the type of cyanide complexes considered here, both the SRC<sub>eco</sub> and MPC are almost equal to that for free cyanides. Therefore, a separate SRC or MPC is not necessary. For thiocyanate one terrestrial toxicity study is available besides the aquatic toxicity data. Based on this study, an SRCeco of 620 mg/kg and an MPC of 6.2 mg/kg could be derived. For comparison with the ERLs concentrations in water should be measured as CN or SCN.

## **3.3 Proposals for SRCseco for non-halogenated monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons**

For the BTEX (benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and *o*-, *m*-, and *p*-xylene) compounds, the data presented by van de Plassche and Bockting (1993) are used to derive the SRCeco values, for toluene together, with the data from van der Heijden et al. (1988). For phenol, *o*-, *m*-, and *p*cresol and the dihydroxybenzenes (catechol, resorcinol and hydroquinone) new data have been collected. For benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, styrene, and phenol an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term. The proposed SRCs<sub>eco</sub> are summarised in 3.3.9 together with old values as proposed by Denneman and van Gestel (1990) and MPCs as proposed by van de Plassche and Bockting (1993). The selected data used for extrapolation are included in Appendix 4.

#### **3.3.1 SRCeco for benzene**

For benzene chronic NOECs are available for more than four taxonomic groups (Table A4. 1 and Table A4. 2). The differences between fresh water and marine species are significant ( $P \le$ 0.05), even after Welch-correction for differences in variance. It should be noted that the taxonomic groups are dissimilar for fresh water and marine species. Further, the only chronic study with a fresh water alga (*Selenastrum capricornutum*) is about one order of magnitude higher than the chronic toxicity data for marine algae, and still higher than the acute algae toxicity studies. Moreover, both sets of data are very small (6 and 4) and therefore, it was decided to combine the chronic data for fresh water and marine species (Figure 3.23). The HC50(aquatic species) from this distribution is 41 mg/l (90% CI:  $8 - 211$  mg/l).

Compared with the acute toxicity data, the chronic NOECs for fresh water species seem to be very high, maybe because of the taxonomic groups (bacteria, algae, protozoa and nematoda). Both sets of acute toxicity data are not significantly different  $(P = 0.40)$  and the geometric mean of 61 mg/l is only slightly higher than that of the chronic NOECs for fresh water species or the combined sets of data.

Therefore, the HC50(aquatic species) is also derived from QSAR estimates (data in Table A4. 3) with the same set of QSARs as used by Van de Plassche et al. (1993). The log *K*ow used for the QSAR estimates is taken from Otte et al. (2001). Because a comparison with experimental data is made no additional safety factor is applied to the geometric mean of these values. The resulting HC50 is **30** mg/l (90% CI: 17 – 53 mg/l).



*Figure 3.23: Distribution of chronic and acute toxicity data for benzene. The estimated curve is based on the combined sets of chronic toxicity data (n = 10,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.61, s = 1.22).* 

The current MPC of  $2.4 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l for surface water is based on QSARs and statistical extrapolation (van de Plassche et al., 1993) and an extra safety factor of 10 for the harmonisation with the air compartment (van de Plassche and Bockting, 1993). From the statistical extrapolation of the experimental data a similar value of  $3.4 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l is derived (90% CI:  $0.01 - 2.34 \mu g/l$ ), while the QSAR estimates without a factor of 10 give rise to a substantially higher HC5 of 2.8 mg/l (90% CI:  $0.9 - 5.7$  mg/l). The lower HC5 from the experimental data is caused by a higher variance in these data.

No studies for terrestrial species are available for benzene. Therefore, the HC50(soil) is derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 0.64. The corresponding HC50 for soil and sediment is  $1.3 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg. By multiplying the MPC for surface water with this  $K_p$  of benzene, an MPC in soil and sediment of 1.0 mg/kg is obtained.

#### **3.3.2 SRCeco for toluene**

For toluene chronic aquatic toxicity data are available for bacteria, cyanophyta, protozoa, algae and fish (Table A4. 5 and Table A4. 6). The fresh water and marine data are not significantly different ( $P = 0.32$ , Welch-corrected) and therefore both sets are combined. The sensitivity distribution of these data is shown in Figure 3.24. The HC50 of the statistical extrapolation is 13 mg/l (90% CI:  $6 - 27$  mg/l).

The majority of the acute toxicity data are for crustaceans and fish. For comparison, these acute toxicity data are almost as low as the chronic toxicity data, which are dominated by lower organisms. For the acute toxicity data, marine and fresh water species are not significantly different ( $P = 0.48$ ). The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is 27 mg/l, whereas the geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is 16 mg/l.

Because the chronic toxicity data for toluene are relatively high, the derived HC50(aquatic species) is compared with QSAR estimates (data in Table A4. 7). The  $log K<sub>ow</sub>$  value used for these estimates is 2.73 (Otte et al., 2001) The value derived from QSARs is slightly lower. The resulting HC50(aquatic species) is  $11 \text{ mg/l}$  (90% CI:  $6 - 20 \text{ mg/l}$ ).



*Figure 3.24: Toluene: Distribution of chronic and acute toxicity data. The estimated curve is based on the chronic toxicity data (n = 15,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.10, s = 0.72).* 

Statistical extrapolation from the chronic toxicity data yields an HC5 of  $7.7 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l (90% CI:  $1.8 \cdot 10^2 - 19.8 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l). The current MPC of  $7.3 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l derived from QSARs and statistical extrapolation is slightly lower (van de Plassche et al., 1993). With the same set of QSARs and the log  $K_{ow}$  value from Otte et al. (2001), the HC5 of the log-normal distribution is  $8.5 \cdot 10^2$  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 2.7·10<sup>2</sup> – 18.5·10<sup>2</sup>  $\mu$ g/l). The HC5 from the chronic toxicity data can therefore, be regarded as MPC in surface water for toluene.

For toluene, two chronic toxicity studies for terrestrial species are available ( Table A4. 4). The geometric mean of these values is 47 mg/kg. For toluene the  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 0.86. This leads to an HC50(EqP) of 79 mg/kg. The lowest value, **47** mg/kg, is chosen as the HC50(soil). For sediment the HC50 is equal to the value of **79** mg/kg derived with equilibrium partitioning.

The lowest NOEC for soil is 14 mg/kg. According to the modified EPA method the MPC for soil would be 1.4 mg/kg. A factor of 100 is applied according to the EU/TGD leading to an MPC of  $0.14$  mg/kg. Applying equilibrium partitioning to the MPC of  $7.7 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l yields an MPC for sediment of **5.6** mg/kg.

## **3.3.3 SRCeco for ethylbenzene**

For ethylbenzene NOECs are available for four taxonomic groups (bacteria, cyanophyta, algae and protozoa, Table A4. 8). The HC50 derived from statistical extrapolation (see Figure 3.25) is 20 mg/l (90% CI:  $1 - 319$  mg/l). These taxonomic groups seem to be rather insensitive, compared with the acute toxicity data. The acute toxicity data for fresh water and marine species are not significantly different  $(P = 0.46)$ . The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is equal to that of the chronic data (Table A4. 8 and Table A4. 9): 20 mg/l.



*Figure 3.25: Distribution of chronic and acute toxicity data for ethylbenzene. The estimated curve is based on the chronic toxicity data (n = 5,*  $\bar{x}$  = 1.31, s = 1.02).

Because the chronic toxicity data for ethylbenzene are relatively high, the HC50(aquatic species) is also derived from QSAR estimates (data in Table A4. 10) with the same set of QSARs as used by Van de Plassche et al. (1993). The  $log K_{ow}$  used for the QSAR estimates is taken from Otte et al. (2001). Because experimental data are available no additional safety factor is applied to the geometric mean of these values. The resulting HC50 is **5.5** mg/l (90% CI:  $2.9 - 10.5$  mg/l).

It has to be noted that the HC5 derived from the chronic toxicity data by statistical extrapolation is slightly lower than the HC5 derived from QSARs:  $3.1 \cdot 10^2$  versus  $3.8 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l, but the uncertainty in this estimate is large (90% CI:  $1 - 2970 \mu g/l$ ) in comparison with that of the HC5 estimated from QSARs (90% CI:  $1.1 \cdot 10^2 - 8.5 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l). Less variation is observed for the QSAR estimates than for the experimental toxicity data.

For ethylbenzene no terrestrial studies are available. Therefore, the HC50(soil) is derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K<sub>p</sub>$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.30. The resulting value of the HC50 for soil and sediment is  $1.1 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg. Applying the equilibrium theory to the HC5 of 310 µg/l for surface water gives an MPC for soil and sediment of **6.2** mg/kg.

## **3.3.4 SRCseco for xylenes**

For xylenes the three isomers are considered separately. Thereafter it is considered whether a combined risk limit can be derived or not.

#### **3.3.4.1 SRCeco for** *o***-xylene**

For *o*-xylene two chronic NOECs are available for fresh water species (Table A4. 11). The geometric mean of these data is 3.0 mg/l. The acute toxicity data for fresh water and marine species (Table A4. 11 and Table A4. 12) are not significantly different ( $P = 0.23$ ) and therefore, both sets are combined. Applying an ACR of 10 to the geometric mean of both sets, gives an HC50 of **1.0** mg/l.

The MPC of 380 µg/l for *o*-xylene was derived from QSARs and statistical extrapolation (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). This value is very close to the HC50 derived from the experimental data. Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. The lowest L(E)C50 is 1.3 mg/l for a crustacean. NOECs are available for algae and protozoa. The lowest NOEC is 1.0 mg/l. Applying the modified EPA method leads to an MPC of 13 µg/l. The assessment factors for aquatic toxicity data following EU/TGD yield a similar value of **10** µg/l. Both values are well below the current MPC.

No terrestrial toxicity data are available for the  $o$ -xylene isomer. With the log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment of 0.95 an HC50(soil/sediment) of **9.3** mg/kg is derived. Applying equilibrium partitioning to the value of 10 µg/l from the EU/TGD method yields a value of **0.089** mg/kg.

#### **3.3.4.2 SRCeco for** *m***-xylene**

The same type of information as for *o*-xylene is available for *m*-xylene. The acute toxicity studies for fresh water and marine species (Table A4. 13 and Table A4. 14) are not significantly different ( $P = 0.55$ ). The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is 4.4 mg/l and that of the acute toxicity data 12 mg/l. This leads to an HC50(aquatic species) of **1.2**  $m\Omega/$ .

The lowest NOEC is 0.7 mg/l and the lowest L(E)C50 is 1.6 mg/l with studies available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. The MPC according to the modified EPA method is 16 µg/l. With the EU/TGD method an MPC of **7.0** µg/l is derived. The current MPC for *m*xylene based on QSARs and statistical extrapolation is 380 µg/l. This value is much higher than the values based on the experimental toxicity data and is close to the HC50.

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.18. Applying the equilibrium theory leads to an HC50(soil/sediment) of **18** mg/kg. With the aquatic MPC from the EU/TGD method an MPC of **0.11** mg/kg is derived for soil and sediment.

#### **3.3.4.3 SRCeco for** *p***-xylene**

The derivation of the risk limits for *p*-xylene follows the same route as for *o*-xylene and *m*xylene. The acute toxicity studies for fresh water and marine species (Table A4. 15 and Table A4. 16) are not significantly different ( $P = 0.21$ ). The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is 2.8 mg/l and that of the acute toxicity data 11 mg/l. This leads to an HC50(aquatic species) of **1.1** mg/l.

The lowest NOEC is 0.9 mg/l and the lowest L(E)C50 is 1.6 mg/l with studies available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. The MPC according to the modified EPA method is 16 µg/l. With the EU/TGD method the MPC becomes **9.0** µg/l. The current MPC for *p*xylene is based on QSARs and statistical extrapolation is 380 µg/l, which is close to the HC50. The MPC derived from the experimental data is much lower.

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.43. Applying the equilibrium theory gives an HC50(soil/sediment) of **30** mg/kg. With the EU/TGD method an MPC of **0.24** mg/kg is derived for soil and sediment.

#### **3.3.4.4 Combined values for the three xylene isomers**

The three isomers of xylene seem to be very similar to each other, both in terms of physicochemical properties and toxicity. From the HC50s(aquatic species) of the three isomers of xylene a geometric mean of **1.1** mg/l is calculated as SRCeco in surface water. The MPC for surface water for the sum of xylenes, calculated as the geometric mean of the MPC values from the EU/TGD method, is **8.6** µg/l. For soil and sediment the geometric mean of the

SRCeco is **17** mg/kg and that of the MPC **0.13** mg/kg. The experimental concentrations of the three isomers should be summed when comparing with these ERLs.

#### **3.3.5 SRCeco for styrene**

For styrene data are available for both fresh water and marine species (Table A4. 17 and Table A4. 18). The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is lower than that of the chronic data and therefore the HC50 is based on the acute toxicity data. The fresh water and marine data are not significantly different ( $P = 0.67$ , Welch-corrected) and therefore both sets of data are combined. After application of an ACR of 10 the HC50(aquatic species) is **3.8** mg/l. The lowest L(E)C50 is 9.1 mg/l. With the modified EPA method, the MPC for surface water is **9.1** µg/l. The current MPC for styrene of 570 µg/l is based on QSARs and statistical extrapolation. No data are available for algae and therefore no MPC according to the EU/TGD protocol can be derived.

No terrestrial data for styrene are available. Consequently, the HC50 for soil and sediment is derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.35. The resulting HC50 is **86** mg/kg. With the MPC derived by the modified EPA method, the MPC for soil and sediment is **0.20** mg/kg.

#### **3.3.6 SRCeco for phenol**

For phenol enough data are available for statistical extrapolation (Table A4. 20 and Table A4. 21). The data follow the log-normal distribution (Figure 3.26). One NOEC for a marine algae falls well within the log-normal distribution for all aquatic species ( $P = 60\%$ ) and therefore, the fresh water and marine data are combined. The HC50(aquatic species) is **7.0** mg/l (90% CI: 2.0 – 24.0 mg/l). The MPC is based on the HC5 estimate of **0.10** mg/l (90% CI: 0.01 – 0.47 mg/l).



*Figure 3.26: Phenol: Chronic toxicity for fresh water and marine species. The estimated distribution is based on the combined sets (n = 13,*  $\bar{x}$  = 0.84, s = 1.08).

For terrestrial species both a chronic as well as an acute study is available (Table A4. 19). However, both studies concern the same species, which is the macrophyt *Lactuca sativa*. For this reason the HC50(terrestrial species) is based on the NOEC of 160 mg/kg. Because of the limited number of data, a comparison is made with a value derived from equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K<sub>p</sub>$  for standard soil and sediment is 0.29 for phenol. The resulting HC50(EqP) of **14** mg/kg is used as the HC50(soil/sediment).

The MPC for terrestrial organisms, directly calculated from the chronic toxicity for *Lactuca sativa*, is compared with equilibrium theory. According to the modified EPA method or the EU/TGD method a safety factor of 1000 is applied to the lowest L(E)C50 of 400 mg/kg. This value is lower than the NOEC value of 160 mg/kg divided by 10 or 100, according to the modified EPA or EU/TGD method, respectively. In the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' this MPC is harmonised with the water compartment by equilibrium partitioning. The HC5 for aquatic species multiplied by the  $K_p$ for standard soil leads to an MPC for soil and sediment of **0.20** mg/kg.

#### **3.3.7 SRCseco for cresols**

Data for *o*, *m*, and *p-cresol* have been collected and are presented in the annex to this report. In first instance, risk limits are derived individually. Afterwards it was examined if an HC50 for the sum of the three isomers could be determined.

#### **3.3.7.1 SRCeco for** *o***-cresol**

NOECs are available for the same taxonomic groups as in the case of ethylbenzene (Table A4. 23). Statistical extrapolation is used to derive an HC50(aquatic species) of **29** mg/l (90% CI:  $17 - 50$  mg/l). The HC5 of this distribution is 6.3 mg/l (90% CI:  $1.9 - 11.9$  mg/l). Again, the taxonomic groups for which chronic toxicity data are available seem to be not very sensitive. The acute toxicity data for fresh water and marine species (Table A4. 23 and Table A4. 24) are not significantly different ( $P = 0.14$ ). The geometric mean of the combined sets of acute toxicity data (30 mg/l) is almost equal to that of the chronic toxicity data. Although *o*-cresol is not a nonpolar chemical, a comparison is made with QSAR estimates (Table A4. 25) because of the relatively high chronic NOECs. The HC50 derived from these QSARs is slightly higher than that from the experimental data 59 mg/l (90% CI: 34 – 104 mg/l). However, the HC5 of 5.7 (90% CI:  $2.0 - 11.6$  mg/l) is slightly lower than the HC5 from the experimental values. Therefore, this HC5 of **5.7** mg/l is proposed as MPC. Acute toxicity data are available for crustaceans (*Daphnia*) and fish but not for algae. From the chronic toxicity data it appears that algae are not more sensitive to *o*-cresol than crustaceans or fish. Therefore, if the modified EPA method is used a safety factor of 100 is applied to the lowest  $L(E)$ C50 value. This would lead to an MPC for surface of 84  $\mu$ g/l. With the EU/TGD method a safety factor of 50 is applied to the lowest NOEC leading to an MPC of  $1.4 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. It is apparent that the MPC derived by statistical extrapolation is rather high. For *o*-cresol one terrestrial NOEC of 50 mg/kg is available (Table A4. 26). Therefore both the HC50 and the MPC are derived by comparison with equilibrium theory. The  $\log K_p$  of *o*cresol for standard soil or sediment is 0.36. The resulting HC50(EqP) for soil and sediment is 66 mg/kg and the MPC(EqP) is 14 mg/kg. The value of **50** mg/kg is proposed as SRCeco for soil. For sediment the value of **66** mg/kg derived by equilibrium partitioning is proposed as SRCeco. The safety factors for the derivation of the MPC are 10 and 100 with the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method, respectively. The proposed MPC for soil is the value of **0.5** mg/kg derived with the EU/TGD method. For sediment the MPC derived by equilibrium partitioning is **13** mg/kg.



*Figure 3.27: o-Cresol: Distribution of chronic and acute toxicity data. The estimated curve is based on the chronic toxicity data (n = 9,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.46, s = 0.39).* 

#### **3.3.7.2 SRCeco for** *m***-cresol**

For *m*-cresol the derivation of the HC50s and MPCs can be motivated in exactly the same way as for *o*-cresol. The chronic toxicity data for the same taxonomic groups are not very sensitive again (Figure 3.28, compare with Figure 3.27). The HC50 from this distribution is **36** mg/l (90% CI: 18 – 72 mg/l). The acute toxicity data for fresh water and marine species (Table A4. 27 and Table A4. 28) can be combined ( $P = 0.52$ ) and have a lower geometric mean of 23 mg/l. The HC5 derived by statistical extrapolation from the chronic toxicity data is 8.3 mg/l (90% CI:  $1.6 - 17.3$  mg/l).

Because of the relatively high values for the chronic NOECs also for *m*-cresol a comparison with OSAR estimates is made (Table A4, 29). Also in this case the HC50 from the OSAR estimates is slightly higher than that from the experimental data: 58 mg/l (90% CI: 53 – 102 mg/l) However, the HC5 is slightly lower and this value is proposed as MPC: **5.5** mg/l (90% CI:  $1.9 - 11.3$  mg/l).

Using the modified EPA method with a safety factor of 100, an MPC for surface water is derived of 75 µg/l. According to the EU/TGD method a safety factor of 50 is applied to the lowest NOEC in this case. This results in an MPC of 2.6  $10^2$  µg/l. Also for *m*-cresol, the MPC derived by statistical extrapolation is rather high.

One terrestrial NOEC of 16 mg/kg is available (Table A4. 26). With the log  $K_p$  of 0.49 and equilibrium partitioning, an HC50 of  $1.1 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg and an MPC of 17 mg/kg. For soil the NOEC of 16 mg/kg is proposed as SRC<sub>eco</sub>. For sediment this value is 1.1.10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg derived by equilibrium partitioning. Applying the modified EPA method to the terrestrial toxicity data gives an MPC of 0.48 mg/kg (factor of 1000 to the lowest L(E)C50). According to the EU/TGD method a factor of 100 is applied to the lowest NOEC because this values is lower than 0.48 mg/kg. The resulting MPC for soil is **0.16** mg/kg. For sediment the value derived by equilibrium partitioning of **17** mg/kg is suggested as MPC.



*Figure 3.28: m-Cresol: Distribution of chronic and acute toxicity data. The estimated curve is based on the chronic toxicity data (n = 6,*  $\bar{x}$  = 1.56, s = 0.36).

#### **3.3.7.3 SRCeco for** *p***-cresol**

For *p*-cresol only one chronic NOEC is available for *Daphnia magna* (Table A4. 30). The HC50 from the geometric mean of the combined sets of acute toxicity data for fresh water and marine species ( $P = 0.25$ , Table A4. 30 and Table A4. 31) is 1.7 mg/l after application of an ACR of 10. The NOEC of 1 mg/l is lower than this value. The HC50(aquatic species) is therefore **1.0** mg/l.

The lowest value for acute toxicity of 2.0 mg/l is for the bacteria *Vibrio fisheri*. Because data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish, a safety factor of 100 can be applied to the lowest L(E)C50 according to the modified EPA method. This leads to an MPC for surface water of 20 µg/l. With the EU/TGD method the factors applied to the NOEC and the  $L(E)$ C50s are 10 times as much in this case. This results in an MPC of 2.0  $\mu$ g/l. No terrestrial data are available for *p*-cresol. Therefore both the HC50(soil) and the MPC are derived from equilibrium partitioning. With the  $\log K_p$  of 0.41 for standard soil and sediment, the resulting values are **2.6** mg/kg and **0.051** mg/kg.

#### **3.3.7.4 Combined values for the three cresol isomers**

The three isomers of cresol seem to be very similar to each other, both in terms of physicochemical properties and toxicity. The values for HC50 and MPC are very different values. This is the result of the different methods used to derive the ERLs. For both *o*- and *m*-cresol the values for surface water are derived by statistical extrapolation. The NOECs for bacteria, cyanophyta, protozoa and algae seem to be rather insensitive. For *p*-cresol not enough data were available for statistical extrapolation. The acute studies for the three isomers show very similar values. However, the only NOEC for *p*-cresol, which is for a crustacean in this case, is much lower than the NOECs for the other two.

From the HC50s(aquatic species) for the three isomers of cresol a geometric mean of **10** mg/l in surface water is calculated as  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ . The MPC for surface water for the sum of cresols is

**4.0·10<sup>2</sup>** μg/l. The SRCs<sub>eco</sub> for the sum of cresols are **13** mg/kg for soil and **27** mg/kg for sediment and the MPCs are **0.16** mg/kg for soil and **1.0** mg/kg for sediment. The experimental concentrations of the three isomers should be summed when comparing with these ERLs.

## **3.3.8 SRCseco for dihydroxybenzenes**

Data for catechol, resorcinol and hydroquinone (*o*-, *m*-, and *p*-dihydroxybenzene) have been collected and are presented in the annex to this report. In first instance, risk limits are derived individually. Afterwards it is examined if an HC50 for the sum of the three isomers could be determined.

#### **3.3.8.1 SRCeco for catechol**

For cathechol no chronic toxicity data are available. The only study for marine species fits within the log-normal distribution of all acute aquatic toxicity data ( $P = 89\%$ ). The geometric mean of the acute aquatic toxicity studies for fresh water and marine species (Table A4. 32 and Table A4. 33) is  $6.3 \cdot 10^3$  µg/l. With an ACR of 10 an HC50(aquatic species) of  $6.3 \cdot 10^2$  $\mu$ g/l is derived. The MPC is derived by the modified EPA. The lowest L(E)C50 is 0.77 mg/l. The corresponding MPC is **0.77** µg/l. Because the base set is not complete no MPC according to the EU/TGD procedure can be derived.

No terrestrial data are available. Therefore, the HC50(soil) is derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 0.62. Applying the equilibrium theory leads to an HC50(soil/sediment) of **2.6** mg/kg and an MPC of **0.0032** mg/kg.

#### **3.3.8.2 SRCeco for resorcinol**

For resorcinol two chronic studies for fish are available (Table A4. 34) with a geometric mean of 5.7 mg/l. The acute toxicity data for fresh water and marine species (Table A4. 34 and Table A4. 35) are not significantly different ( $P = 0.22$ ). The geometric mean of the acute data is 98 mg/l. Therefore the HC50(aquatic species) is **5.7** mg/l.

The lowest NOEC is 1 mg/l. No data for algae are available. The lowest L(E)C50 is 42 mg/l. With the modified EPA method the MPC is **42**  $\mu$ g/l. Because the base set is not complete no MPC according to the EU/TGD procedure can be derived.

No terrestrial data are available for resorcinol. Therefore, equilibrium partitioning is applied. The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is  $-0.09$ . The resulting HC50 for soil and sediment is **4.6** mg/kg. The MPC is equal to **0.034** mg/kg.

#### **3.3.8.3 SRCeco for hydroquinone**

For hydroquinone chronic toxicity studies are available for bacteria, cyanophyta, protozoa and algae (Table A4. 37). Also in this case the geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is lower than the geometric mean of the chronic data (Table A4. 37, Table A4. 38 and Figure 3.29). Statistical extrapolation of the chronic toxicity data gives an HC50 of **8.2** mg/l (90% CI: 2.0 – 33.2 mg/l) and an MPC of  $4.1 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l (90% CI:  $0.1 \cdot 10^2 - 18.4 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l).

The acute toxicity studies for fresh water and marine species are not significantly different (P  $= 0.72$ ) and therefore, both sets of data are combined. The geometric mean of both sets is 3.5 mg/l, lower than the HC50 from the chronic toxicity data. For acute toxicity, data for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish are available. With the modified EPA method application of a factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50 of 44 µg/l gives an MPC of 0.44 µg/l. The MPC according to the EU/TGD method is in this case derived by applying a factor of 50 to the
lowest NOEC. The resulting MPC is 19 µg/l. It is obvious that the HC5 from the statistical extrapolation of the chronic toxicity data is rather high compared with these MPCs.



*Figure 3.29: Hydroquinone: Distribution of chronic and acute toxicity data. The estimated curve is based on the chronic toxicity data (n = 6,*  $\bar{x}$  = 0.91, s = 0.74).

For hydroquinone two terrestrial NOECs are available for plants (Table A4. 36). The geometric mean of these NOECs is  $8.2 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg. With the modified EPA method the MPC is 76 mg/kg derived by applying a factor of 10 to the lowest NOEC. The EU/TGD method results in a lower value of 7.6 mg/kg because of a factor of 100. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 0.72. Applying equilibrium partitioning results in an HC50 for soil and sediment of **43** mg/kg. The MPC for both compartments is equal to **2.2** mg/kg.

#### **3.3.8.4 Combined values for the three dihydroxybenzene isomers**

The three isomers of dihydroxybenzene have similar physico-chemical properties. However, the differences in toxicity are remarkable with hydroquinone being the most toxic isomer, if toxicity data for the same species are considered (e.g. see acute toxicity data for fish and *Vibrio fisheri)*. On the other hand, because of the differences in the derivation of the ERLs, the HC50 and MPC for hydroquinone are the highest of all three isomers. Therefore, combined values can be derived for the three dihydroxybenzene isomers to minimise variation caused by differences in available data. For surface water the geometric mean of the three isomers for the SRC<sub>eco</sub> is **3.1·10<sup>3</sup>**  $\mu$ g/l and for the MPC 24  $\mu$ g/l. For soil and sediment the combined SRCeco is **8.0** mg/kg and the MPC **0.063** mg/kg. The experimental concentrations of the three isomers should be summed when comparing with these ERLs.

### **3.3.9 Summary and comparison with old values and MPCs**

In Table 3.5 the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> for non-halogenated monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons are summarised. Also included in this table are the few old values derived in Denneman and Van Gestel (1990) and the MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (Van de Plassche and Bockting, 1993).

The SRCs for surface water are listed in Table 3.6. These values are the basis for SRCs for groundwater. For 6 compounds chronic toxicity data were available for bacteria, cyanophyta, protozoa and algae. The derived ERLs from statistical extrapolation are rather high in these cases, when compared with acute toxicity data. Therefore, a comparison with QSAR estimates was made.



Table 3.5: Summary of new SRC<sub>cco</sub> values for monocyclic non-halogenated aromatic hydrocarbons in soil or sediment, values as derived by Denneman and<br>van Gestel (1990), MPC values as derived in the context of the project ' *van Gestel (1990), MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (INS) and MPC values derived Table 3.5: Summary of new SRC*eco *values for monocyclic non-halogenated aromatic hydrocarbons in soil or sediment, values as derived by Denneman and in this report. Values are given as concentrations in mg/kg standard soil/sediment (soil containing 10% organic matter and 25% clay, sediment containing*  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ 

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MPC for water is harmonised with the air compartment; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed. b MPC for water is harmonised with the air compartment; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed.  $D$   $C$   $D$ 

Based on terrestrial toxicity data. c Based on terrestrial toxicity data.

For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term. d For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term.





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MPC is harmonised with the air compartment; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed. b MPC is harmonised with the air compartment; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed.  $a \circ a$ 

For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term. c For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term.

# **3.4** Proposals for SRCs<sub>eco</sub> for PAHs

For polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) the data as presented by Kalf et al. (1995) are used to derive the SRCs<sub>eco</sub>. These data were used in the mentioned report to derive MPCs and the information on the ecotoxicity tests can be found there. Only for anthracene, benzo(*a*) anthracene and benzo $(a)$  pyrene experimental terrestrial data are available and  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$  for soil are based on terrestrial experimental data. SRCs<sub>eco</sub> for soil for the other PAHs as well as SRCseco for sediment for all PAHs are based on aquatic data and application of the EqPmethod. For naphthalene and anthracene an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term.

Kalf et al. (1995) evaluated  $\log K_{\text{oc}}$  values for soil and sediment and compared the experimental data with estimated values. Because of the large variation in experimental values it was decided to use estimated values using the regression equation proposed by DiToro et al. (1991) for extrapolation. In this report,  $\log K_{\text{oc}}$  values are used that were derived in the framework of the project 'Intervention values for soil clean-up' (Otte et al., 2001). These  $\log K_{\text{oc}}$  values are the average value of experimental values extended with one value calculated according to Sabljic et al. (1995). The proposals for the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> are included on the following pages and summarised in paragraph 3.4.11. The selected data used for extrapolation are included in Appendix 5.

## **3.4.1 SRCeco for naphthalene**

For naphthalene no terrestrial data are available. The HC50 for soil and sediment is therefore based on aquatic data to which the EqP-method is applied. The variance of the L(E)C50 data for fresh and marine water are significantly different (Table A5. 1 and Table A5. 2). However, this is probably caused by the differences in taxonomic groups and geometric means are not significantly different ( $P = 0.49$ , Welch-corrected). Therefore, data for both fresh and marine water are combined. For the chronic data no significant differences were observed ( $P = 0.21$ ). On the basis of the selected data an HC50(aquatic species) of  $2.9 \cdot 10^2$ µg/l is derived from chronic as well as from acute data.

The MPC for naphthalene was derived by the modified EPA method (Kalf et al., 1995). An assessment factor of 100 was applied to the lowest L(E)C50 because data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. This resulted in an MPC of 1.2 µg/l. According to the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 10 can be applied to the lowest NOEC because more than 3 NOECs are available, including the same taxonomic group as the lowest L(E)C50. This results in an MPC of  $2.1 \text{ µg}/l$ 

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.76 resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of **17** mg/kg. Applying equilibrium partitioning to the MPC for surface water derived by the EU/TGD method gives an MPC for soil and sediment of **0.12** mg/kg.

## **3.4.2 SRCeco for anthracene**

For anthracene two L(E)C50s for plants are available, 150 mg/kg and 3600 mg/kg (Table A5. 3). From these data an HC50(terrestrial species) of 73 mg/kg is derived. According to both the modified EPA and the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 1000 is applied to the lowest value in this case. The MPC derived from these terrestrial data is 0.15 mg/kg. The median value of the aquatic NOEC data is 12  $\mu$ g/l (Table A5. 4). However, applying an ACR of 10 to the median of the aquatic L(E)C50 data results in an HC50(aquatic species) of **1.4**  $\mu$ *g*/l.

Chronic toxicity are available for algae, crustaceans (*Daphnia*) and an acute toxicity study for fish. Because the chronic toxicity data for algae and crustaceans are comparable in effect concentration as the acute toxicity study with fish, a factor of 100 was applied to the lowest L(E)C50 according to the modified EPA method. The resulting MPC was  $0.07 \mu g/l$  (Kalf et al., 1995). With the EU/TGD method, a similar reasoning can be used for the base set of toxicity data. Moreover, the requirement for a complete base set doesn't hold because anthracene has a  $\log K_{\text{ow}}$  value higher than 3. With three NOECs but not for the same taxonomic group as the lowest acute data, the assessment factor applied to the lowest NOEC is 50. This results in an MPC of **0.034** µg/l.

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 3.06 resulting in an HC50(EqP) of 1.6 mg/kg. From comparison of the terrestrial toxicity data with the HC50(EqP) and from the aquatic toxicity data alone, it appears that macrophyta probably are a taxonomic group that is relatively insensitive to anthracene. Consequently, the HC50 for soil and sediment is equal to **1.6** mg/kg. With the MPC for 0.034 µg/l, an MPC for soil and sediment of **0.039** mg/kg is derived by equilibrium partitioning.

### **3.4.3 SRCeco for phenanthrene**

For phenanthrene no terrestrial data are available. The SRC<sub>eco</sub> is therefore based on aquatic data and application of the EqP-method. The acute studies for fresh water and marine species (Table A5. 5 and Table A5. 6) are not significantly different ( $P = 0.24$ ) and also the only chronic study for a marine species fits well into the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 65\%$ ). On the basis of the selected data HC50s of 94 and 30 µg/l are derived, on the basis of chronic and acute data respectively. The HC50(aquatic species) of **30** µg/l is used to derive an HC50(EqP).

The MPC for phenanthrene was derived using the modified EPA method (Kalf et al., 1995). Acute toxicity data are available for crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish but not for algae. The used assessment factor was 100 because it appeared from deviating tests that algae are not more sensitive. The resulting MPC was 0.3 µg/l. With the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 10 can be applied to the lowest NOEC, because more than three NOECs are available also for the same taxonomic group as the lowest L(E)C50. The resulting MPC is **3.2**  $\mu$ g/l.

The  $\log K_p$  for soil and sediment is 3.01, resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of 31 mg/kg. The MPC for soil and sediment is **3.3** mg/kg.

## **3.4.4 SRCeco for fluoranthene**

For fluoranthene no terrestrial data are available. The proposed  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  is therefore based on aquatic data and application of the EqP-method. On the basis of the limited data for aquatic species (Table A5. 7 and Table A5. 8), HC50s of 49 and 30  $\mu$ g/l are derived from chronic and acute data, respectively. The HC50(aquatic species) of **30** µg/l is used to derive an HC50(EqP).

The MPC for fluoranthene of 0.3  $\mu$ g/l was derived with the modified EPA method by applying an assessment factor of 1000 to the lowest L(E)C50 (Kalf et al., 1995). According to the EU/TGD method the base set of acute toxicity data is not required if the compound has a  $\log K_{\rm ow}$  value higher than three. This is the case for fluoranthene. With two NOECs the applied assessment factor is 100. The resulting MPC is **0.12** µg/l.

The log  $K_p$  for soil and sediment is 3.93, resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of  $2.6 \cdot 10^2$ mg/kg. The MPC for soil and sediment calculated by equilibrium partitioning from the value of 0.12 µg/l is **1.0** mg/kg.

## **3.4.5 SRCeco for benzo[***a***]anthracene**

For benzo[*a*]anthracene one NOEC for an isopod is available, 2.5 mg/kg (Table A5. 9). The MPC derived from this study is 0.25 mg/kg according to the modified EPA method (Kalf et al., 1995). With the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 100 is applied, resulting in an MPC of 0.025 mg/kg. Because these values are based on only one study, also an HC50 and MPC on the basis of the EqP-method are derived.

From one acute aquatic study (Table A5. 10) an HC50(aquatic species) of **1.0** µg/l is derived after application of an ACR of 10. The MPC derived from this study by means of the modified EPA method is **0.01** µg/l (Kalf et al., 1995). No MPC can be derived with the EU/TGD method because too few data are available.

The log  $K_p$  for soil and sediment is 4.69 resulting in an HC50(EqP) of 49 mg/kg. On the basis of this information an SRCeco of **2.5** mg/kg is proposed for soil and **49** mg/kg for sediment. The MPC for soil is **0.025** mg/kg. With equilibrium partitioning an MPC for sediment of **0.49** mg/kg is calculated.

## **3.4.6 SRCeco for chrysene**

For chrysene no terrestrial and no aquatic data are available. The aquatic MPC was derived using QSARs and applying an extra safety factor of 10 (Kalf et al., 1995). The QSAR values used here are shown in Table A5. 11. The  $\log K_{ow}$  used for these QSAR estimates is 5.81 (Otte et al., 2001). This value is slightly higher than that of 5.73 used by Kalf et al. (1995). For the aqueous solubility the value of 8.8 µg/l from Kalf et al. (1995) was used. If also for the solubility of chrysene the value of 1.8 µg/l from Otte et al. (2001) is chosen, only 5 QSAR estimates are remaining. On the basis of the 11 QSARs an HC50(aquatic species) of **1.2** µg/l is derived after application of a safety factor of 10 (90% CI:  $0.8 - 2.0 \mu g/l$ ). The MPC derived in this way is  $0.28 \text{ µg}/1$  (90% CI:  $0.11 - 0.50 \text{ µg}/1$ ). Due to the limited scatter of the 11 QSAR data that are not higher than 10 times the maximum water solubility, the MPC is rather high compared to the HC50. The  $\log K_p$  for soil and sediment is 4.46 resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of **35** mg/kg and an MPC of **8.1** mg/kg.

## **3.4.7 SRCeco for benzo[***k***]fluoranthene**

For benzo[ $k$ ]fluoranthene no terrestrial data are available. The  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  is therefore based on aquatic data and application of the EqP-method. On the basis of one NOEC for fish (Table A5. 12) an HC50(aquatic species) of 0.36 µg/l is derived. According to the modified EPA method the MPC derived from this value is 0.04 µg/l (Kalf et al., 1995). With the EU/TGD method this MPC is a factor of 10 lower: **0.0036**  $\mu$ g/l. The log  $K_p$  for soil and sediment is 5.02 resulting in an SRCeco for soil and sediment of **38** mg/kg and an MPC of **0.38** mg/kg.

## **3.4.8 SRCeco for benzo[***a***]pyrene**

For benzo[*a*]pyrene four NOECs for terrestrial species are available (Table A5. 13). On the basis of these NOECs an HC50(terrestrial species) of 7.0 mg/kg is derived. The MPC of 0.26 was derived from these terrestrial data with the modified EPA method (Kalf et al., 1995). According to the EU/TGD an assessment factor of 50 is applied in this case. The resulting

MPC is **0.052** mg/kg. Because these values are based on two taxonomic groups only, also an HC50 and MPC on the basis of the EqP-method are derived.

One NOEC of 6.3 µg/l for a fish species is available (Table A5. 14). On the basis of three acute data an HC50(aquatic species) of 0.72 µg/l is derived. Data for algae, crustaceans (*Daphnia*) and fish (chronic study) are available. The MPC for benzo[ $a$ ] pyrene of 0.05  $\mu$ g/ was derived by the modified EPA method, using an assessment factor of 100 for the lowest L(E)C50 (Kalf et al., 1995). With one NOEC available according the EU/TGD method a comparison is made between the acute and chronic toxicity as well. The MPC of **0.0050** µg/l is calculated from the lowest L(E)C50 with an assessment factor of 1000.

The log  $K_p$  for soil and sediment is 4.59 resulting in an HC50(EqP) of 28 mg/kg and an MPC(EqP) of 0.19 mg/kg. On the basis of this information an HC50 of **7.0** mg/kg for soil and an HC50 of **28** mg/kg for sediment are derived. The MPC for soil is **0.052** mg/kg and the MPC for sediment **0.19** mg/kg.

## **3.4.9 SRCeco for benzo[***ghi***]perylene**

For benzo[*ghi*]perylene no terrestrial and no aquatic data are available. The aquatic MPC was derived using QSARs and applying an extra safety factor of 10 (Kalf et al., 1995). The QSAR values used here are shown in Table A5. 15. All data were calculated with a  $\log K_{\text{ow}}$  value of 6.22 (Otte et al., 2001) instead of 6.63. Then, only three QSARs estimates remain, which are less than 10 times the maximum water solubility of 0.26 µg/l. If also for the solubility of benzo[*ghi*]perylene the value of 0.19 µg/l from Otte et al. (2001) is chosen, only 1 QSAR estimate is left.

On the basis of the QSARs and after application of a safety factor of 10 an HC50(aquatic species) of **0.18** µg/l is derived. Too few data are available for statistical extrapolation. Therefore, the MPC is derived by preliminary risk assessment. With the modified EPA method an assessment factor of 10 is applied leading to an MPC of 0.016  $\mu$ g/l after application of an extra safety factor of 10 for the QSAR estimates. With the EU/TGD assessment factor of 50 this MPC is  $0.0031$  µg/l. The log  $K_p$  for soil and sediment is 5.26 resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of **33** mg/kg and an MPC of **0.57** mg/kg.

## **3.4.10 SRCeco for indeno[***1,2,3-cd***]pyrene**

For indeno[*1,2,3-cd*]pyrene no terrestrial and no aquatic data are available. The QSAR approach was not applied because all QSAR estimates are more than ten times the aqueous solubility (Kalf et al., 1995). With the higher  $\log K_{ow}$  of 6.87 (Otte et al., 2001), 3 QSAR estimates (Table A5. 16) are within 10 times the maximum water solubility of 0.05 µg/l from Kalf et al. (1995). If the solubility of 1.5 µg/l (Otte et al., 2001) is used, this number of QSAR estimates is even 12. The derivation of the HC50 and the MPC is done in the same way as for benzo[*ghi*]perylene. For surface water, the HC50 and the MPC are **0.036** and **0.00061** µg/l, respectively. The log  $K_p$  for soil and sediment is 5.26 resulting in an  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for soil and sediment of **1.9** mg/kg and an MPC of **0.031** mg/kg.

## **3.4.11 Summary and comparison with old values and MPCs**

In Table 3.7 the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> for PAHs in soil and sediment are summarised. Besides the values derived in the present report also the old values derived in Denneman and Van Gestel (1990) and the MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (Kalf et al., 1995) are presented. In Table 3.8 the SRC values for surface water are presented, which form the basis for the SRC for groundwater.

PAHs are compounds that may have both a natural or an anthropogenic source (Kalf et al., 1995). Nevertheless, background concentrations are assumed to be negligible when compared to the proposed SRCs<sub>eco</sub>. It should be noted that the old intervention value for PAHs of 40 mg/kg is a risk limit for the summed concentrations of the 10 PAHs. However, there is no scientific consensus whether the PAHs are concentration additive and whether they act by the same mode of action or not (Kalf et al. 1995). Some of the PAHs can have a strong photoinduced toxicity (see e.g. Mekenyan et al., 1994). Because of these uncertainties no sum value, nor a toxic unit approach are proposed for PAHs.

Nevertheless, in the framework of the intervention values a risk limit for soil and sediment for the sum of the 10 PAHs might be a useful alternative to the separate values for the single compounds. Except from anthracene, which shows somewhat higher toxicity, and the higher deviating value of fluoranthene, the derived HC50s(aquatic species) seem to be related to their hydrophobicity, while the HC50s for soil derived by equilibrium partitioning are less different and are not dependent on hydrophobicity (Figure 3.30). Also it cannot be excluded that due the limited number of toxicity studies the outliers are generated by chance. The geometric mean of the HC50s(soil) of the 7 PAHs for which experimental data are available, is 15 mg/kg. This value is about ten times the HC50(soil) of anthracene, which has the lowest value. Because not all polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons have the same molecular weight, this value can better be expressed in terms of moles instead of grams. The resulting value of the geometric mean of the HC50 for soil is 73 µmol/kg. For sediment the geometric mean of the HC50 is 27 mg/kg or  $1.4 \cdot 10^2$  µmol/kg.



*Figure 3.30: HC50 values for PAHs for aquatic species, derived from experimental data, and for soil, derived from equilibrium partitioning.*



Table 3.7: Summary of new SRC<sub>eco</sub> values for PAHs in soil or sediment, values as derived by Denneman and van Gestel (1990), MPC values as derived in the<br>Lable 3.7: Summary of new SRC<sub>eco</sub> values for PAHs in soil or sedim *Table 3.7: Summary of new SRC*eco *values for PAHs in soil or sediment, values as derived by Denneman and van Gestel (1990), MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (INS) and MPC values derived in this report. Values are given as concentrations*

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## **3.5 SRCseco for halogenated aliphatic hydrocarbons**

For chlorinated aliphatic hydrocarbons the data collected in the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' have been used. The selected data used for extrapolation are included in Appendix 6. For trichloromethane (chloroform), trichloroethene, and tetrachloroethene an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term.

### **3.5.1 SRCeco for 1,2-dichloroethane**

Chronic toxicity data for aquatic species were found for seven taxonomic groups (bacteria, cyanophyta, algae, protozoa, annelids, crustaceans and fish; Table A6. 1 and Table A6. 2). The only value for marine species fits well in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 62\%$ ). Therefore, both sets are combined and statistical extrapolation can be performed (Figure 3.31). The HC50 of this distribution is  $1.3 \cdot 10^2$  mg/l (90% CI:  $0.5 \cdot 10^2 - 3.2 \cdot 10^2$  mg/l). For comparison the acute toxicity data are added to this figure. The geometric mean of the combined sets of fresh and marine acute toxicity data ( $P = 0.92$ , after Welch-correction), which includes partly the same taxonomic groups, is slightly higher than the geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data:  $1.8 \cdot 10^2$  mg/l. Although for this type of compounds that mainly act by narcosis the ACR will generally not be that large, the data for *Daphnia magna* differ between acute and chronic toxicity by almost a factor of 30.



*Figure 3.31: 1,2-Dichloroethane: Distribution of chronic and acute toxicity data for aquatic species. The estimated curve is based on the chronic toxicity data (n = 9,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.12, s = 0.61).* 

Because of the relatively high values for chronic toxicity, a comparison with QSAR estimates is made. A log  $K_{ow}$  value of 1.47 is used for 1,2-dichloroethane (Otte et al., 2001). The OSAR estimates are shown in Table A6. 3. The HC50 from the statistical extrapolation is  $1.4 \cdot 10^2$ mg/l (90% CI:  $0.8 \cdot 10^2 - 2.4 \cdot 10^2$  mg/l). This value is also slightly higher than that from the experimental data. The HC50 for surface water is also  $1.3 \cdot 10^2$  mg/l.

The HC5 from the log-normal distribution of the chronic toxicity data is 11 mg/l (90% CI: 2 – 32 mg/l). The MPC of 14 mg/l was derived from QSARs for narcosis, to which statistical extrapolation was applied (Van de Plassche et al., 1993) However, after harmonisation with the air compartment, this MPC was adjusted downwards by a factor 20 to 0.70 mg/l. No terrestrial data are available for 1,2-dichloroethane. Therefore, the HC50(soil) is derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $\log K_p$  for soil and sediment is 0.26 resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of **2.4·102** mg/kg. Applying equilibrium partitioning to the MPC of 0.70 mg/l, gives an MPC for soil of **1.3** mg/kg.

### **3.5.2 SRCeco for dichloromethane**

For dichloromethane no chronic aquatic toxicity data are available. Therefore, the HC50 has to be based on the acute aquatic toxicity data (Table A6. 5 and Table A6. 6). One marine species fits well into the overall log-normal distribution and therefore  $(P = 45\%)$ , both data sets are combined. The geometric mean of these data is  $4.0 \cdot 10^2$  mg/l. With an ACR of ten this leads to a HC50(aquatic species) of **40** mg/l. The MPC for dichloromethane of 20 mg/l was derived by QSARs for narcosis and statistical extrapolation (Van de Plassche et al., 1993), which is higher than the lowest L(E)C50. Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (*Daphnia*) and fish. With the modified EPA method the MPC would be 0.18 mg/l, after application of a factor 100 to the lowest L(E)C50 value. According to the EU/TGD method a factor of 1000 is applied to the lowest L(E)C50 value if the base set is complete. This results in an MPC of **18** µg/l.

For dichloromethane also data for processes are available (Table A6. 4), which were not included in the derivation of the MPC. Although 5 NOECs for different processes are available, it is impossible to apply statistical extrapolation. All processes are from one study and have the same value. These data for terrestrial processes are not suitable to base the MPC upon. However, the HC50 terrestrial processes can be derived from these data. The proposed SRC<sub>eco</sub> for soil is **3.9** mg/kg. The log  $K_p$  for soil and sediment is  $-0.01$  resulting in an HC50 for sediment of **40** mg/kg. From the MPC for surface water an MPC in soil and sediment of **0.018** mg/kg can be derived in this way.

### **3.5.3 SRCeco for trichloromethane (chloroform)**

For trichloromethane no terrestrial data are available. For aquatic species, there are chronic toxicity data for 4 taxonomic groups (bacteria, cyanophyta, algae and crustaceans; Table A6. 7 and Table A6. 8). The study with the marine species fits well in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 73\%$ ) and both sets are combined. The HC50 of this distribution is 99 mg/l (90% CI: 34 – 283 mg/l). However, compared to the acute toxicity data these taxonomic groups are rather insensitive (Figure 3.32). The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is 99 mg/l too. Further, the data for *Daphnia magna* show that there is a substantial difference between acute and chronic toxicity, with an ACR of more than 7. The acute toxicity data are represented by algae, crustaceans and fish.

Therefore, a comparison is made with QSAR estimates, which are presented in Table A6. 9. For the calculations a log  $K_{ow}$  value of 1.97 is used (Otte et al., 2001). The HC50 from these QSAR estimates is slightly lower than that of the experimental data: 63 mg/l (90% CI: 36 – 110 mg/l). For surface water this value of  $63$  mg/l is proposed as  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ .



*Figure 3.32: Trichloromethane: Distribution of chronic and acute toxicity data for aquatic species. The estimated curve is based on the chronic toxicity data (n = 6,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.99, s = 0.56).* 

The MPC of 5.9 mg/l for trichloromethane was derived from chronic QSARs for narcosis to which statistical extrapolation was applied (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). This MPC was adjusted by a factor 10 to 0.59 mg/l after harmonisation with the air compartment. The HC5 from the log-normal distribution of the chronic toxicity data is 10 mg/l (90% CI:  $1 - 32$  mg/l). The log  $K_p$  for soil and sediment is 0.43 resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of 1.7 $\cdot 10^2$ . mg/kg. With an MPC for surface water of 0.59 mg/l, the MPC for soil and sediment derived by equilibrium partitioning is 1.6 mg/kg.

### **3.5.4 SRCeco for tetrachloromethane**

The only data available for tetrachloromethane are for two marine species (Table A6. 10).The geometric mean of these data is 87 mg/l. With an ACR of ten this leads to a HC50(aquatic species) of **8.7** mg/l. The MPC for dichloromethane of 1.1 mg/l was derived by QSARs for narcosis and statistical extrapolation (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). The modified EPA method results in a value of **50** µg/l. No MPC can be derived according to the EU/TGD method, because the base set is not complete. The  $\log K_p$  for soil and sediment is 0.52 resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of **29** mg/kg. The MPC for soil and sediment is **0.17** mg/kg.

#### **3.5.5 SRCeco for vinylchloride (chloroethene)**

For vinylchloride no terrestrial and no aquatic data are available. The aquatic MPC is derived using QSARs (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). No safety factor was applied to these estimates. However, the MPCs for water, soil and sediment were adjusted downwards by a factor 10 after harmonisation with air.

These QSAR values used are shown in Table A6. 11. The log  $K_{ow}$  value used for the calculations was 1.52 (Van de Plassche et al., 1993; Otte et al., 2001). On the basis of statistical extrapolation an HC50(aquatic species) of 8.0 mg/l and an HC5(aquatic species) of 0.84 mg/l are derived from these QSARs, after application of a safety factor of 10 for the use of QSAR estimates or for harmonisation. The  $log K_p$  for soil and sediment is 0.33, resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of **17** mg/kg and an MPC of **1.8** mg/kg. These values should be regarded as unreliable because vinylchloride probably is a reactive chemical and the QSAR estimates are solely derived for narcotic chemicals.

## **3.5.6 SRCeco for trichloroethene (trichloroethylene)**

For trichloroethene the same motivation can be used to derive the HC50 for aquatic species as for 1,2-dichloromethane and trichloromethane. Chronic toxicity data are available for 6 taxonomic groups of aqueous species (bacteria, cyanophyta, algae, protozoa and crustaceans; Table A6. 13 and annelids; Table A6. 14). The only study with a marine species fits well in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 33\%$ ) and therefore both sets are combined. The HC50 from this distribution is 50 mg/l (90% CI:  $13 - 193$  mg/l).

Again, compared to the acute toxicity data these taxonomic groups are rather insensitive (Figure 3.33). The geometric mean of the extensive set of acute toxicity data is almost equal: 51 mg/l. Further, the data for *Jordonella floridae* and *Ophryotrocha labronica* show that there are differences between acute and chronic toxicity, with ACRs of 5 and 10, respectively. The acute toxicity data are represented by 9 taxonomic groups.



*Figure 3.33: Trichloroethene: Distribution of chronic and acute toxicity data for aquatic species. The estimated curve is based on the chronic toxicity data (n = 6,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.70, s = 71).* 

Also in this case a comparison with QSAR estimates is made. The QSAR data are tabulated in Table A6. 15. For the calculation of the QSAR data a log  $K_{ow}$  value of 2.61 was used (Otte et al., 2001). The HC50 derived from these QSARs is **20** mg/l (90% CI: 11 – 36 mg/l). This value is proposed as  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for surface water.

The MPC of 2.4 mg/l for trichloroethene was derived from chronic QSARs for narcosis to which statistical extrapolation was applied (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). With the same set of QSARs but a different  $\log K_{ow}$  value, an HC5 of 1.6 mg/l (90% CI: 0.5 – 3.4 mg/l) was

derived. The HC5 from the log-normal distribution of the chronic toxicity data is 2.9 mg/l  $(90\% \text{ CI: } 0.1 - 12.1 \text{ mg/l}).$ 

For trichloroethene data for processes are available too (Table A6. 12), which were not included in the derivation of the MPC. Although 5 NOECs for different processes are available, it is impossible to apply statistical extrapolation, because 4 processes are from one study and have the same value. These data for terrestrial processes are suitable to base the HC50 for soil upon. The proposed  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for soil is 2.5 mg/kg. The log  $K_p$  for soil and sediment is 0.83 resulting in an HC50 for sediment of  $1.3 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg. Applying equilibrium partitioning to the MPC value of 1.6 mg/l for surface water gives an MPC for sediment and soil of **11** mg/kg. From these data it is obvious that the MPC derived by equilibrium partitioning is too high for soil, because all NOECs for the reported enzymatic activities are exceeded.

### **3.5.7 SRCeco for tetrachloroethene (tetrachloroethylene)**

The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data for tetrachloroethene is 1.0 mg/l (Table A6. 17). Acute toxicity data for aquatic species are available for fresh water as well as marine species (Table A6. 17 and Table A6. 18). The acute toxicity data for fresh water and marine species are not significantly different ( $P = 0.49$ ). The geometric mean of the combined sets is 15 mg/l. Therefore, the HC50(aquatic species) is based on the chronic data: **1.0** mg/l. The MPC of 0.33 mg/l for water was derived from QSARs and application of the statistical extrapolation method (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). The modified EPA method results in a value of 3.5 µg/l by applying a factor of 1000 to the lowest L(E)C50. No MPC can be derived according to the EU/TGD method, because the base set is not complete (no data for algae). The log  $K_p$  for soil and sediment is 1.19 resulting in an HC50(EqP) for soil and sediment of 16 mg/kg. The only study with terrestrial species (Table A6. 16) presents an L(E)C50 of 160 mg/kg, resulting in the same value for the HC50. Consequently, the HC50s for soil and sediment are **16** mg/kg. The terrestrial processes given by Van de Plassche et al. (1993) are in the same range as this HC50 (3.9 -  $>$ 39). If equilibrium partitioning is applied to the MPC derived with the modified EPA method, an MPC for soil and sediment of **0.050** mg/kg is obtained. This value is lower than the MPC derived from the terrestrial toxicity study. According to the modified EPA method as well as the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 1000 is applied resulting in an MPC(direct) of 0.16 mg/kg.

### **3.5.8 Summary and comparison with old values and MPCs**

In Table 3.9 the SRCseco for halogenated aliphatic hydrocarbons are summarised. Also included in this table are the old values derived in Denneman and Van Gestel (1990), the MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (Van de Plassche and Bockting, 1993) and the MPCs based on the same experimental data that were used for the SRCs<sub>eco</sub>.

The ERLs for water are presented in Table 3.10. For 3 compounds chronic aquatic toxicity data were available for 4 or more taxonomic groups. However, just as in the case of the nonhalogenated monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbons the groups bacteria, cyanophyta, protozoa and algae were predominant in the distribution. Again, these groups appeared rather insensitive, compared with the acute toxicity data. Also for these compounds a comparison with OSAR estimates was made.

It should be noted that some of the MPCs that were derived from QSARs are close to the SRCseco that were derived from experimental data. The MPCs derived with preliminary risk assessment from the experimental data are generally much lower. The equilibrium concentrations in air of these MPCs for surface water are also closer to the tentative MPC for the air compartment.

The values as proposed by Denneman and van Gestel (1990) concern tetrachloroethene and the sum of chlorinated aliphatic hydrocarbons. No sum value is proposed here, because of possible differences in BSAF values and in mode of toxic action. For the derivation of the MPCs, Van de Plassche et al. (1993) assumed that these compounds mainly act by narcosis and therefore a QSAR approach was used.

Assuming the same mode of toxic action and similar BSAF values for these compounds, an SRCeco for the sum of chlorinated aliphatic hydrocarbons could be derived. By taking the geometric mean of the HC50 values derived from experimental data, the proposed SRCeco for the sum of chlorinated aliphatic hydrocarbons would be 25 mg/kg in standard soil. This value is very close to old value proposed by Denneman and van Gestel (1990). For sediment this value would be 85 mg/kg. Because different chlorinated aliphatic hydrocarbons have not the same molecular weight, these values are preferably expressed on a molar basis. The  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ for the sum of these compounds would be  $2.1 \cdot 10^2$  µmol/kg for soil and  $7.0 \cdot 10^2$  µmol/kg for sediment.



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The MPCs for soil are derived from these values with equilibrium partitioning and comparison with soil toxicity data and harmonisation with the air a MPCs for water are derived from QSARs for narcosis, whereupon statistical extrapolation on these data is performed (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). The MPCs for soil are derived from these values with equilibrium partitioning and comparison with soil toxicity data and harmonisation with the air compartment (Van de Plassche and Bockting, 1993). compartment (Van de Plassche and Bockting, 1993).  $\mathfrak{a}$ 

Adjusted downwards after harmonisation with the air compartment; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed. b Adjusted downwards after harmonisation with the air compartment; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed.

Derived from QSARs with a safety factor of 10. c Derived from QSARs with a safety factor of 10. ل ن ط

For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term. d For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term.

## **3.6 SRCseco for halogenated aromatic hydrocarbons**

The following chlorinated aromatic hydrocarbons were considered and discussed below: chlorobenzenes (each isomer separately), chlorophenols (each isomer separately), polychlorinated biphenyl (limited data on some of the isomers) and monochloronaphthalene (2 isomers). The selected data used for extrapolation are included in Appendix 7.

## **3.6.1 SRCseco for chlorobenzenes**

All data for chlorobenzenes were collected in the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (Hesse et al., 1991). For 1,4-dichlorobenzene and 1,2,4 trichlorobenzene an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term.

#### **3.6.1.1 SRCeco for monochlorobenzene**

For monochlorobenzene toxicity data are available for fresh water and marine species (Table A7. 1 and Table A7. 2). The chronic toxicity data for fresh water and marine species are not significantly different ( $P = 0.12$ ). The geometric mean of the combined sets is 6.2 mg/l. The only acute toxicity study for a marine species is at the end of the 90% confidence interval of the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 94\%$ ). The geometric mean of the combined acute toxicity data is 11 mg/l. Applying an ACR of 10 to this geometric mean gives an HC50(aquatic species) of **1.1** mg/l.

The MPC of monochlorobenzene for surface water was derived from QSARs and statistical extrapolation (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). This MPC is 0.69 mg/l. Because chronic and acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish, a safety factor of 10 can be applied to lowest NOEC according to the modified EPA method as well as the EU/TGD method. The MPC derived in this way is **32** µg/l.

No terrestrial data are available for monochlorobenzene. Therefore, the HC50 has to be derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.11, resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of **15** mg/kg and an MPC of **0.41** mg/kg.

#### **3.6.1.2 SRCeco for 1,2-dichlorobenzene**

Toxicity data of 1,2-dichlorobenzene are available for fresh water and marine species (Table A7. 3 and Table A7. 4). The only NOEC for fresh water species deviates from the rest of the aquatic data and has a low probability density ( $P = 1.2\%$ ). However, this study is performed with crustaceans while the rest of the data are mainly for algae. Therefore, the data are combined and the geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is 4.5 mg/l. The acute toxicity data are not significantly different ( $P = 0.28$ , Welch-corrected). The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is almost equal to that of the chronic toxicity data: 7.4 mg/l. Applying an ACR of 10 to the geometric mean of the acute toxicity data gives an HC50(aquatic species) of **0.74** mg/l.

The MPC of 1,2-dichlorobenzene for surface water was derived from QSARs and statistical extrapolation (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). This MPC is 0.27 mg/l. The final MPC of 0.25 mg/l is an average for the three dichlorobenzene isomers. Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. According to the modified EPA method a safety factor of 100 can be applied to lowest L(E)C50 resulting in an MPC of 12 µg/l. Because more than 3 NOECs are available and the lowest NOEC as well as L(E)C50 are for *Daphnia magna*, a safety factor of 10 is applied to the lowest NOEC, according to the EU/TGD method. The MPC derived in this way is **31** µg/l.

No terrestrial data are available for 1,2-dichlorobenzene. Therefore, the HC50 has to be derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.37, resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of **17** mg/kg and an MPC of **0.73** mg/kg.

#### **3.6.1.3 SRCeco for 1,3-dichlorobenzene**

For 1,3-dichlorobenzene 2 chronic NOECs are available for fresh water species (Table A7. 5). The geometric mean of these data is  $8.2 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. The only acute toxicity study with a marine species (Table A7. 6) fits well in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 41\%$ ). The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is 9.5 mg/l. The HC50(aquatic species) is thus determined by the chronic toxicity data.

The MPC of 1,3-dichlorobenzene for surface water was derived from QSARs and statistical extrapolation (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). The MPC is 0.21 mg/l. The final MPC of 0.25 mg/l is an average for the three dichlorobenzene isomers. According to the modified EPA method a safety factor of 100 can be applied to lowest L(E)C50, because acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans and fish. The MPC derived in this way would be 33 µg/l. With the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 50 is applied to the lowest of two NOECs, because both the lowest NOEC and the lowest L(E)C50 are for *Daphnia magna*. The resulting MPC is **14** µg/l.

No terrestrial data are available for 1,3-dichlorobenzene. Therefore, the HC50 has to be derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.46, resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of **24** mg/kg and an MPC of **0.39** mg/kg.

#### **3.6.1.4 SRCeco for 1,4-dichlorobenzene**

For 1,4-dichlorobenzene 3 chronic NOECs are available for fresh water species (Table A7. 8). The geometric mean of these data is  $4.6 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. Fresh water and marine species (Table A7. 9) do not differ significantly in sensitivity in acute toxicity studies ( $P = 0.11$ ). The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is 7.1 mg/l. The HC50(aquatic species) is determined by the chronic toxicity data.

The MPC of 1,4-dichlorobenzene for surface water was derived from QSARs and statistical extrapolation (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). The MPC is 0.26 mg/l. The final MPC of 0.25 mg/l is an average for the three dichlorobenzene isomers. Because chronic and acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish, a safety factor of 10 can be applied to lowest NOEC according to both the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method. The MPC derived in this way is **30** µg/l.

Some terrestrial toxicity data are available for 1,4-dichlorobenzene (Table A7. 7). Additional data in the original report (Hesse et al., 1991) show LC50 values of 390 for two species of earthworms in a soil with approximately 10% organic matter. However, the geometric mean of the acute toxicity data still remains higher than 500 mg/kg. Therefore, the HC50(terrestrial species) is determined by the chronic NOEC of 50 mg/kg. According to the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method, a factor of 1000 is applied to the lowest L(E)C50 resulting in an MPC(terrestrial species) of 0.39 mg/kg.

Because of the limited amount of terrestrial species a comparison with equilibrium partitioning is made. The  $log K<sub>p</sub>$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.59, resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of 18 mg/kg and an MPC of 1.2 mg/kg. The MPC derived directly from terrestrial toxicity data is lower than the value derived by equilibrium partitioning. Thus the proposed SRCeco for soil and sediment is **18** mg/kg. The MPC for soil is **0.39** mg/kg and for sediment **1.2** mg/kg.

#### **3.6.1.5 SRCeco for 1,2,3-trichlorobenzene**

For 1,2,3-trichlorobenzene chronic and acute toxicity data are available for fresh water species (Table A7. 11), and for marine species one acute toxicity study (Table A7. 12), which fits well in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 58\%$ ). The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is  $1.0 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l and that of the acute toxicity data is 2.1 mg/l. The HC50(aquatic species) is consequently determined by the chronic toxicity data.

The MPC of 1,2,3-trichlorobenzene for surface water was derived from QSARs and statistical extrapolation (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). The MPC is 64 µg/l. The final MPC of 67 µg/l is an average for the three trichlorobenzene isomers. The lowest of three NOECs is 40 µg/l. According to the modified EPA method as well as the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 10 can be applied to lowest NOEC, because chronic and acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (*Daphnia*) and fish. The MPC derived in this way is **4.0** µg/l. Acute and chronic toxicity data are available for terrestrial species (Table A7. 10). The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is 98 mg/kg. The HC50(terrestrial species) is determined by the chronic NOEC of 5 mg/kg. According to the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method, a factor of 1000 is applied to the lowest L(E)C50 after comparison with the chronic NOEC. This MPC derived directly from the acute terrestrial toxicity data is 0.010 mg/kg.

This value is compared with equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K<sub>p</sub>$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.00, resulting in an HC50(EqP) of 10 mg/kg. The HC50(soil) is therefore **5.0** mg/kg, which is directly derived from the terrestrial toxicity data and the HC50(sediment) is **10** mg/kg. The MPC(EqP) is 0.40 mg/kg. The value from the terrestrial data is lower than the value derived by equilibrium partitioning due to the application of safety factor of 1000. Therefore, the MPC for soil is **0.010** mg/kg and the MPC for sediment **0.40** mg/kg.

#### **3.6.1.6 SRCeco for 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene**

Acute toxicity data of 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene are available for fresh water and marine species and chronic toxicity data for fresh water species only (Table A7. 14 and Table A7. 15). The acute toxicity data for both sets are very similar  $(P = 0.91$ , Welch-corrected). The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is **46** µg/l and that of the acute toxicity data is 3.4 mg/l. The HC50(aquatic species) is also determined by the chronic toxicity data.

The MPC of 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene for surface water was derived from QSARs and statistical extrapolation (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). The MPC is 79 µg/l. The final MPC of 67 µg/l is an average for the three trichlorobenzene isomers. According to the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 10 can be applied to lowest NOEC of 1 µg/l, because chronic and acute toxicity toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (*Daphnia*) and fish. The MPC derived in this way is **0.10** µg/l.

Acute and chronic toxicity data are available for terrestrial species (Table A7. 13). The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is 190 mg/kg. The only chronic NOEC has a value of 50 mg/kg. Application of an ACR of 10 to the mean of the acute toxicity data gives the HC50(terrestrial species) of 19 mg/kg. This value is compared with equilibrium partitioning. According to the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method, a factor of 1000 is applied to the lowest L(E)C50 after comparison with the chronic NOEC. The resulting MPC derived directly from the acute terrestrial toxicity data is 0.13 mg/kg

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.05, resulting in an HC50(EqP) for of 5.1 mg/kg. The SRCeco for soil and sediment is therefore **5.1** mg/kg. Also the MPC for soil and sediment derived by equilibrium partitioning of **0.011** mg/kg is lower than the value derived directly from the acute terrestrial toxicity data.

#### **3.6.1.7 SRCeco for 1,3,5-trichlorobenzene**

For 1,3,5-trichlorobenzene two L(E)C50s for fresh water species (Table A7. 17) and one chronic study for a marine species (Table A7. 18) are available. The HC50(aquatic species) of **31** µg/l is equal to the geometric mean of these data of  $3.1 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l with an ACR of 10. The MPC of 1,3,5-trichlorobenzene for surface water was derived from QSARs and statistical extrapolation (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). The MPC is 57 µg/l. The final MPC of 67 µg/l is an average for the three trichlorobenzene isomers. According to the modified EPA method an MPC of 3.3 µg/l is derived by applying a factor of 1000 to the lowest  $L(E)$ C50. Although the base set is incomplete, an MPC can be derived according to the EU/TGD method too, because 1,3,5-trichlorobenzene has a log  $K_{ow}$  value higher than 3. The resulting MPC is also 3.3  $\mu$ g/l. Terrestrial data are available for a macrophyt (Table A7. 16). The NOEC of 50 mg/kg is more than 10 times as low as the L(E)C50 value of 620 mg/kg and is consequently chosen as the HC50(terrestrial species). This value is compared with equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K_p$ for standard soil and sediment is 2.75, resulting in an  $HC50(EqP)$  of 1.7·10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg. The HC50 for sediment is therefore 1.7 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup> mg/kg and for soil 50 mg/kg. The MPC for soil and sediment derived by equilibrium partitioning and is 1.9 mg/kg. With the modified EPA method, an assessment factor of 1000 is applied to the lowest L(E)C50, after comparison with the chronic toxicity data, resulting in an MPC of 0.62 mg/kg. With the EU/TGD method, a factor of 100 is applied to the lowest NOEC after comparison with the acute toxicity data. This MPC is 0.50 mg/kg. Therefore, the MPC for soil is **0.50** mg/kg and the MPC for sediment **1.9** mg/kg.

#### **3.6.1.8 SRCeco for 1,2,3,4-tetrachlorobenzene**

For 1,2,3,4-tetrachlorobenzene 2 NOECs and 3 L(E)C50s are available for fresh water species (Table A7. 20). The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is **83** µg/l and that of the acute toxicity data 2.1 mg/l. Therefore, HC50(aquatic species) is based on the chronic toxicity data. The MPC of 1,2,3,4-tetrachlorobenzene for surface water was derived from QSARs and statistical extrapolation (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). This MPC is 23 µg/l. The final MPC of 24 µg/l is an average for the three tetrachlorobenzene isomers. According to the modified EPA method an MPC of 1.1 µg/l is derived by applying a factor of 1000 to the lowest L(E)C50. Because 1,2,3,4-tetrachlorobenzene has a  $\log K_{ow}$  value higher than 3, an MPC can be derived according to the EU/TGD method too. With 3 NOECs available, also for the same taxonomic group as the minimum LC50, an assessment factor of 10 is applied to the lowest NOEC. The resulting MPC is **2.3** µg/l.

Terrestrial data are available for a macrophyt (Table A7. 16), with a NOEC of 50 mg/kg and an L(E)C50 of 160 mg/kg. The HC50(terrestrial species) is derived by application of an ACR of 10 to the L(E)C50 and is 16 mg/kg. This value is compared with equilibrium partitioning. The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.68, resulting in an HC50(EqP) for of 40 mg/kg. Consequently, the HC50 for soil is **16** mg/kg and for sediment **40** mg/kg. The MPC for soil derived directly from the terrestrial data is **0.16** mg/kg, both with the assessment factors of the EU/TGD and of the modified EPA method. The MPC for sediment is derived by equilibrium partitioning and is **1.1** mg/kg.

#### **3.6.1.9 SRCeco for 1,2,3,5-tetrachlorobenzene**

Some acute toxicity data are available for 1,2,3,5-tetrachlorobenzene for fresh water species (Table A7. 22) and one for marine species (Table A7. 23). This value fits well into the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 78\%$ ). The geometric mean of the combined data is 2.1 mg/l. Application of an ACR of 10 leads to the HC50(aquatic species) of  $2.1 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. The MPC of 1,2,3,5-tetrachlorobenzene for surface water was derived from QSARs and statistical

extrapolation (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). This MPC is 22  $\mu$ g/l. The final MPC of 24  $\mu$ g/l is an average for the three tetrachlorobenzene isomers. According to the modified EPA method a safety factor of 100 can be applied because acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans and fish. The resulting MPC is 8.0 µg/l. According to the EU/TGD method a factor of 1000 is applied to the lowest L(E)C50, resulting in an MPC of **0.80** µg/l. One terrestrial L(E)C50 of 6.5 mg/kg is available for a macrophyt (Table A7. 21). With an ACR of 10 the HC50(terrestrial species) is 0.65 mg/kg. This value is compared with equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K<sub>p</sub>$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.34, resulting in an HC50(EqP) for of 47 mg/kg. The HC50 for soil is therefore **0.65** mg/kg and for sediment **47** mg/kg. The MPC for soil derived directly from the terrestrial data of **0.0065** mg/kg is very low due to the high assessment factor of 1000 with the modified EPA method as well as the EU/TGD method. The MPC for sediment derived by equilibrium partitioning is **0.17** mg/kg.

#### **3.6.1.10 SRCeco for 1,2,4,5-tetrachlorobenzene**

Acute toxicity data and one chronic study are available for 1,2,4,5-tetrachlorobenzene (Table A7. 25 and Table A7. 26). The acute study for a marine fish species fits well into the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 44\%$ ). The geometric mean of the combined acute toxicity data is 9.4 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup> µg/l. The only NOEC has a value of 90 µg/l, which value is taken as the HC50(aquatic species). The MPC of 1,2,4,5-tetrachlorobenzene for surface water was derived from QSARs and statistical extrapolation (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). The MPC is 26 µg/l. The final MPC of 24  $\mu$ g/l is an average for the three tetrachlorobenzene isomers. According to the modified EPA method a safety factor of 1000 is applied to the lowest L(E)C50. The resulting MPC is 0.3 µg/l. Although the base set is not complete, an MPC is also derived with the EU/TGD method, because 1,2,4,5-tetrachlorobenzene has a  $\log K_{ow}$  value higher than 3. One NOEC is available for the same taxonomic group as the minimum L(E)C50. Therefore, an assessment factor of 100 is applied to this NOEC, leading to an MPC of  $0.90 \mu g/l$ . One acute terrestrial study is available (Table A7. 24) with an EC50 of 10 mg/kg. Application of an ACR of 10 yields the HC50(terrestrial species) of 1.0 mg/kg. This value is compared with equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K<sub>p</sub>$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.54, resulting in an HC50(EqP) for of 31 mg/kg. The HC50 for soil is therefore **1.0** mg/kg and for sediment **31** mg/kg. The MPC for soil derived directly from the terrestrial data of **0.010** mg/kg is very low due to the high assessment factor of 1000. The MPC for sediment derived by equilibrium partitioning is **0.31** mg/kg.

#### **3.6.1.11 SRCeco for pentachlorobenzene**

For pentachlorobenzene chronic and acute toxicity data are available for fresh water species (Table A7. 28) and one acute study for a marine species (Table A7. 29). The geometric mean of the NOECs is  $32 \mu g/l$ . The only marine study fits well in the overall log-normal distribution (P = 42%). The geometric mean of the combined sets of acute data is 7.1  $10^2$  µg/l. The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is thus taken as the HC50(aquatic species). The MPC of pentachlorobenzene for surface water is based on secondary poisoning for birds and mammals (Van de Plassche, 1994). This MPC is 0.030 µg/l, which is almost 100 times lower than the MPC according to the modified EPA method (2.5 µg/l) and 20 times lower than the MPC according to the EU/TGD method  $(0.62 \mu g/l)$ .

One terrestrial acute toxicity study with a macrophyt is available (Table A7. 27). An HC50(terrestrial species) of 28 mg/kg is obtained after application of an ACR of 10. This value is compared with equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K<sub>p</sub>$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.69, resulting in an HC50(EqP) for of 16 mg/kg. The HC50 for soil and sediment is therefore **16** mg/kg. The MPC for soil derived directly from the terrestrial data is 0.28 mg/kg. The MPC for soil is based on secondary poisoning and is equal to **0.12** mg/kg. The MPC for sediment of 0.012 mg/kg was derived by equilibrium partitioning from the MPC for surface water (Van de Plassche, 1994). With the  $\log K_p$  used here, this value is 0.015 mg/kg.

#### **3.6.1.12 SRCeco for hexachlorobenzene**

For hexachlorobenzene toxicity data are available for fresh water species (Table A7. 31). The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is 5.0 µg/l. The only suitable acute toxicity study provides an L(E)C50 of 30 µg/l. Application of an ACR of 10 leads to the HC50(aquatic species) of **3.0** µg/l. The MPC of hexachlorobenzene for surface water is based on secondary poisoning for birds and mammals (Van de Plassche, 1994). The MPC is **2.1·10-5** µg/l, which is more than 1000 times lower than the MPC according to the modified EPA method (0.30  $\mu$ g/l; factor of 1000 to L(E)C50) or the EU/TGD method (0.36  $\mu$ g/l; factor of 50 to lowest NOEC).

One terrestrial chronic toxicity study with a macrophyt is available (Table A7. 30), which leads to an HC50(terrestrial species) of 500 mg/kg. This value is compared with equilibrium partitioning. The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.83, resulting in an HC50(EqP) of 2.0 mg/kg. The HC50 for soil and sediment is therefore **2.0** mg/kg. The MPC for soil based on secondary poisoning is 0.028 mg/kg. With the MPC for surface water derived by the EU/TGD method an MPC of **0.024** mg/kg is derived for soil by equilibrium partitioning. This value is lower than the MPC for secondary poisoning. The MPC for sediment of 0.0012 mg/kg was derived by equilibrium partitioning from the MPC for surface water (Van de Plassche, 1994). With the  $\log K_p$  used here, this value is  $1.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$  mg/kg.

#### **3.6.1.13 SRCeco for the sum of chlorobenzenes**

Probably, all chlorobenzenes mainly act by narcosis (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). Therefore, a geometric mean of the data can be selected for the sum of chlorobenzenes, provided that the different compounds concentrate into the organisms to the same extent. For the water compartment this assumption will only be valid for the isomers with the same degree of chlorination. Consequently, an HC50 value for water cannot be derived for the sum of all chlorobenzenes. Values for mono-, di-, tri-, tetra-, penta- and hexachlorobenzene are  $1.1 \cdot 10^3$ , 6.5 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup>, 1.4 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup>, 1.2 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup>, 32 and 3.0 µg/l, respectively.

For the soil compartment average values for different compounds can be taken if the compounds are taken up by the organisms from the soil to the same extent (see section 2.5). Considering the uncertainty due to the limited number of toxicity studies, the differences in available data and the application of the equilibrium partitioning theory, it can be concluded that differences in the derived HC50s for soil and sediment are not very large.

The HC50-values for mono-, di-, tri-, tetra-, penta- and hexachlorobenzene are respectively 15, 19, 11, 2.2, 16 and 2.0 mg/kg for soil and 15, 19, 25, 39, 16 and 2.0 mg/kg for sediment. If equal BSAF values are assumed, the value for the sum of all chlorobenzenes might be derived by taking the geometric mean of the HC50s derived directly from terrestrial toxicity studies and indirectly by the equilibrium partitioning theory. The resulting values for the SRCseco would be 15 mg/kg for soil and 20 mg/kg for sediment. Because the molecular weight is not the same for all chlorobenzenes, these values are preferably expressed on a molar basis. The SRCs<sub>eco</sub> would then be 73 and  $1.1 \cdot 10^2$  µmol/kg.

The MPCs of single isomers are highly influenced by the safety factor that is applied and thus, by the available data. If however, a geometric mean is taken for the sum of all chlorobenzenes, derived in the same way as the HC50, the resulting MPCs would be 0.12 mg/kg for soil and 0.30 mg/kg for sediment, or on a molar basis 0.56 µmol/kg and 1.6 µmol/kg for soil and sediment, respectively.

Because the mode of toxic action is the same but no detailed information is available for the BSAF, the toxic unit approach is proposed for the sum of all chlorobenzenes in water, sediment and soil.

## **3.6.2 SRCseco for chlorophenols**

Most of the data for chlorophenols were collected in the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards'. Additional new data were collected and are included in the annex to this report. Data were used as they are reported. No correction was made for dissociation of the compounds at neutral pH. In doing so, it is assumed that the average pH in the laboratory tests is close to that in most of the natural soils, sediments or water. There are several reasons why the data are not corrected. First, in most of the cases the pH is not properly reported, and this would cause a great loss of data. Second, it is not clear to what extent the dissociated compounds do still contribute to the toxicity. Correcting the concentrations for the ionised part of the compound may result in an underestimation of the effect concentrations. For compounds such as chlorophenols the uptake of the ionised form is less than for the neutral form but not negligible (Van Wezel, 1998). Third, the shift of the values due to correction for the dissociated part are in most cases small compared to the large differences in sensitivity between different species. As can be seen from effect studies with fish (*P. reticulata*) the shift in toxicity between pH 5 and 8 is at most a factor of 25 for almost completely dissociated compounds but usually much less (Könemann and Musch, 1981; Saarikoski and Viluksela, 1981). Moreover, the median pH used in the toxicity experiments can be regarded as representative for the environmental situation. Therefore, the ERLs that are derived here apply to the total amount (i.e. neutral and ionised) of the compound in soil, sediment or water.

#### **3.6.2.1 SRCeco for 2-chlorophenol**

For 2-chlorophenol acute as well as chronic aquatic toxicity data are available (Table A7. 33 and Table A7. 34). The geometric mean of the 2 chronic NOECs is **1.4** mg/l. The acute toxicity data for fresh water and marine species are not significantly different ( $P = 0.20$ ). The geometric mean of the combined sets is  $37 \text{ mg/l}$ . Hence, the HC50(aquatic species) is determined by the geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data.

Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. With the modified EPA method an MPC of 50 µg/l is derived by applying a safety factor of 10 to the lowest NOEC. This value is slightly lower than the lowest L(E)C50 divided by 100. With the assessment factors of the EU/TGD a factor of 50 is applied to the lowest of 2 NOECs, because a NOEC is available for the taxonomic group of the lowest L(E)C50. The resulting MPC is **10**  $\mu$ g/l. The old MPC of 25  $\mu$ g/l was a mean value for the sum of the three monochlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

One terrestrial L(E)C50 is available for 2-chlorophenol (Table A7. 32). Applying an ACR of 10 to this value results in an HC50(terrestrial species) of 22 mg/kg. This value is compared with a value derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K<sub>p</sub>$  for standard soil and sediment is 0.74, resulting in an HC50(EqP) of 7.8 mg/kg. The  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for soil and sediment is therefore **7.8** mg/kg. Applying a factor of 1000 to the terrestrial L(E)C50 gives an MPC(terrestrial species) of 0.22 mg/kg. The old MPC for the sum of the three monochlorophenol in soil of 0.20 mg/kg was deduced from this value. With the equilibrium partitioning theory, the MPC for soil and sediment is **0.055** mg/kg. The old MPC in sediment for the sum of the three monochlorophenol isomers was also derived by equilibrium partitioning from the MPC in water. This MPC was 0.22 mg/kg.

#### **3.6.2.2 SRCeco for 3-chlorophenol**

Only acute toxicity data are available for 3-chlorophenol (Table A7. 36 and Table A7. 37). The only value for a marine species fits well in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 29\%$ ). The geometric mean of all acute toxicity data is 25 mg/l. With an ACR of 10 the resulting HC50(aquatic species) is **2.5** mg/l. According to the modified EPA method an assessment factor of 100 can be applied to the lowest  $L(E)$ C50, because data are available for algae, crustaceans and fish. The resulting MPC for surface water is 55 µg/l. According to the EU/TGD method, this factor is 1000 in this case. This leads to an MPC of **5.5** µg/l. The old MPC of 25 µg/l was a mean value for the sum of the three monochlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

There are some acute terrestrial toxicity studies (Table A7. 35). After application of an ACR of 10 to the geometric mean of these data the HC50(terrestrial species) becomes **14** mg/kg. This value is compared with a value derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.33, resulting in an  $HC50(EqP)$  of 54 mg/kg. The  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for soil is therefore **14** mg/kg and for sediment **54** mg/kg. Applying a factor of 1000 to the lowest terrestrial L(E)C50 gives an MPC for soil of **0.035** mg/kg. With the equilibrium partitioning theory, the MPC for sediment is **0.12** mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of the three monochlorophenols were 0.20 and 0.22 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively (Janus et al., 1991).

#### **3.6.2.3 SRCeco for 4-chlorophenol**

For 4-chlorophenol acute as well as chronic aquatic toxicity data are available (Table A7. 38 and Table A7. 39). The marine study fits in the overall log-normal distribution with the fresh water studies ( $P = 82\%$ ). The geometric mean of the 3 chronic NOECs is  $2.9 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. The acute toxicity data for fresh water and marine species are not significantly different ( $P =$ 0.45). The geometric mean of the combined sets is  $14 \text{ mg/l}$ . Hence, the HC50(aquatic species) is determined by the geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data.

Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. With the modified EPA method an MPC of 19 µg/l is derived by applying a safety factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50, which is slightly lower than the lowest NOEC divided by 10. With 3 NOECs but not from the same taxonomic group as the lowest L(E)C50 an assessment factor of 50 is applied to the lowest NOEC according to the EU/TGD method. The resulting MPC is **4.0** µg/l. The old MPC of 25 µg/l was a mean value for the sum of the three monochlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

No terrestrial data are available for 4-chlorophenol. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 0.70, resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of **1.4** mg/kg and an MPC of **0.020** mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of the three monochlorophenols were 0.20 and 0.22 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively (Janus et al., 1991).

#### **3.6.2.4 SRCeco for 2,3-dichlorophenol**

Only acute toxicity data are available for aquatic species (Table A7. 40 and Table A7. 41). One marine study fits in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 22\%$ ). Applying an ACR of 10 to the geometric mean of the data results in an HC50(aquatic species) of **1.4** mg/l. Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. The MPC for 2,3 dichlorophenol according to the modified EPA method is 35 µg/l, derived by applying a safety factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50. With the assessment factor of the EU/TGD of 1000 for a complete base set the MPC is **3.5** µg/l. The old MPC of 15 µg/l was a value for the sum of the six dichlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

No terrestrial data are available for 2,3-dichlorophenol. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.33, resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of **31** mg/kg and an MPC of **0.075** mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of the dichlorophenols in soil was 0.20 mg/kg. This value was a mean of the MPCs derived for three isomers. The old MPCs for the sum of the dichlorophenols in sediment was 0.33 mg/kg, which was derived from the MPC in water by means of equilibrium partitioning (Janus et al., 1991).

#### **3.6.2.5 SRCeco for 2,4-dichlorophenol**

For dichlorophenol chronic toxicity studies are available for 6 taxonomic groups (Table A7. 43 and Table A7. 44). The fresh water and marine species are from different taxonomic groups and taking into account this variability, the data sets are not significantly different ( $P =$ 0.29, Welch-corrected). Therefore, statistical extrapolation is performed (Figure 3.34). The HC50(aquatic species from this distribution is  $4.1 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l (90% CI: 0.6 $\cdot 10^2 - 27.7 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l). The MPC for 2,4-dichlorophenol is determined from the HC5 of this distribution and is 1.5  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 0.03 – 14.6  $\mu$ g/l). The old MPC of 15  $\mu$ g/l was a value for the sum of the six dichlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).



*Figure 3.34: 2,4-Dichlorophenol: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species and estimated sensitivity distribution (n = 10,*  $\bar{x}$  = 2.62, *s* = 1.43).

One acute toxicity study is available for terrestrial species. With an ACR of 10 the resulting HC50(terrestrial species) is 27 mg/kg. A value for the MPC of 0.27 mg/kg is obtained after application of a safety factor of 1000, according to the modified EPA method as well as the EU/TGD method. The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.31, resulting in a lower value for the HC50(soil). The HC50 for soil and sediment is **8.4** mg/kg and the MPC is **0.031** mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of the dichlorophenols were 0.20 and 0.33 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively (Janus et al., 1991).

#### **3.6.2.6 SRCeco for 2,5-dichlorophenol**

The only available toxicity data for 2,5-dichlorophenol are acute studies for aquatic species (Table A7. 45). The only study for a marine species fits well in the overall log-normal

distribution ( $P = 40\%$ ). The geometric mean of all acute toxicity data is 13 mg/l. With an ACR of 10 the HC50(aquatic species) is **1.3** mg/l. The MPC according to the modified EPA method is **2.8** µg/l derived by application of a factor of 1000 to the lowest L(E)C50. Although the base set is not complete, the same MPC can be derived by the EU/TGD method because the log  $K_{ow}$  of 2,5-dichlorophenol is little higher than 3 (Otte et al., 2001). The old MPC of 15 µg/l was a value for the sum of the six dichlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991). No terrestrial data are available. Therefore, the SRC<sub>eco</sub> and MPC for soil and sediment are derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.60. The HC50 for soil and sediment is **53** mg/kg and the MPC is **0.11** mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of the dichlorophenols were 0.20 and 0.33 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively (Janus et al., 1991).

#### **3.6.2.7 SRCeco for 2,6-dichlorophenol**

Acute toxicity data and one chronic study with aquatic species are available for 2,6 dichlorophenol (Table A7. 46 and Table A7. 47). The data for fresh water and marine species are not significantly different  $(P = 0.72)$ . The geometric mean of all acute toxicity is almost equal to the chronic NOEC. Therefore, the HC50(aquatic species) of **2.3** mg/l is derived from the acute toxicity data with application of an ACR of 10. Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. According to the modified EPA method the MPC for 2,6-dichlorophenol is 37 µg/l, derived by applying a safety factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50. Following the EU/TGD protocol an assessment factor of 1000 is applied to lowest L(E)C50. The resulting MPC is **3.7** ug/l. The old MPC of 15 ug/l was a value for the sum of the six dichlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

No terrestrial data are available. Therefore, the SRC<sub>eco</sub> and MPC for soil and sediment are derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K<sub>p</sub>$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.60. The HC50 for soil and sediment is **57** mg/kg and the MPC is **0.093** mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of the dichlorophenols were 0.20 and 0.33 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively (Janus et al., 1991).

#### **3.6.2.8 SRCeco for 3,4-dichlorophenol**

For 3,4-dichlorophenol acute toxicity data are available for fresh water and marine species (Table A7. 49 and Table A7. 50). There are no significant differences in sensitivity ( $P =$ 0.79). The HC50 derived from the geometric mean of the acute toxicity data with an ACR of 10 is **5.9·102** µg/l. Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. According to the modified EPA method the MPC for 3,4-dichlorophenol is 11  $\mu$ g/l, derived by applying a safety factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50. Following the EU/TGD protocol an assessment factor of 1000 is applied to lowest L(E)C50. The resulting MPC is **1.1**  $\mu$ g/l. The old MPC of 15  $\mu$ g/l was a value for the sum of the six dichlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

Also some acute data for earthworms are available for 3,4-dichlorophenol (Table A7. 48). The geometric mean of these data is 420 mg/kg and as a result the HC50(terrestrial species) is 42 mg/kg. The MPC derived directly from the terrestrial data is equal to 0.30 mg/kg. The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.67. The HC50(EqP) is 27 mg/kg and the MPC(EqP) is 0.051 mg/kg. Therefore, the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for soil and sediment is 27 mg/kg and the MPC for soil and sediment is **0.051** mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of the dichlorophenols were 0.20 and 0.33 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively (Janus et al., 1991).

#### **3.6.2.9 SRCeco for 3,5-dichlorophenol**

For 3,5-dichlorophenol acute toxicity data are available for fresh water and marine species (Table A7. 52 and Table A7. 53). There are no significant differences in sensitivity ( $P =$ 0.40). The HC50 derived from the geometric mean of the acute toxicity data with an ACR of 10 is  $4.2 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. According to the modified EPA method the MPC for 3,5-dichlorophenol is 15 µg/l, derived by applying a safety factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50. Following the EU/TGD protocol an assessment factor of 1000 is applied to lowest L(E)C50. The resulting MPC is **1.5** µg/l. The old MPC, which was also 15 µg/l, was a value for the sum of the six dichlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

One acute study with a macrophyt is available for 3,5-dichlorophenol (Table A7. 48) with an EC50 of 160 mg/kg. As a result the HC50(terrestrial species) is 16 mg/kg and the MPC derived directly from the terrestrial data is equal to  $0.16$  mg/kg. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.11. The HC50(EqP) is 5.4 mg/kg and the MPC(EqP) is 0.019 mg/kg. Therefore, the SRCeco for soil and sediment is **5.4** mg/kg. The MPC for soil and sediment is **0.019** mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of the dichlorophenols were 0.20 and 0.33 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively (Janus et al., 1991).

#### **3.6.2.10 SRCeco for 2,3,4-trichlorophenol**

For 2,3,4-trichlorophenol acute toxicity data are available for fresh water and marine species (Table A7. 54 and Table A7. 55), which are not significantly different ( $P = 0.33$ ). The HC50 derived from the geometric mean of the acute toxicity data with an ACR of 10 is  $4.2 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. According to the modified EPA method the MPC for 2,3,4-trichlorophenol is 12 µg/l, derived by applying a safety factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50. Following the EU/TGD protocol an assessment factor of 1000 is applied to lowest L(E)C50. The resulting MPC is **1.2** µg/l. The old MPC of 2.5 µg/l was a value for the sum of the six trichlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991). There are no terrestrial toxicity data for 2,3,4-trichlorophenol. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.85. The resulting SRCeco for soil and sediment is equal to **30** mg/kg and the MPC is equal to **0.085** mg/kg. The old MPC of 0.04 mg/kg for the sum of the six trichlorophenol isomers was based on the lowest terrestrial LC50 value for one of the trichlorophenols (Janus et al., 1991). For sediment, The old MPC for the sum of trichlorophenols was 0.10 mg/kg (Janus et al., 1991).

#### **3.6.2.11 SRCeco for 2,3,5-trichlorophenol**

For 2,3,5-trichlorophenol acute toxicity data are available for fresh water and marine species (Table A7. 57 and Table A7. 58), which are not significantly different ( $P = 0.73$ ). The HC50, derived from the geometric mean of the acute toxicity data with an ACR of 10, is  $2.6 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. No data for algae are available. The MPC for 2.3.5-trichlorophenol is **0.60** ug/l, derived by applying a safety factor of 1000 to the lowest L(E)C50, both with the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method ( $log K_{ow} > 3$ ). The old MPC of 2.5 µg/l was a value for the sum of the six trichlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

One chronic and one acute value for a macrophyt are available. The L(E)C50 is 45 mg/kg and the NOEC is 16 mg/kg. The HC50(terrestrial species) of 4.5 mg/kg is derived by application of an ACR of 10 to the EC50 value. The MPC derived directly from the terrestrial data is **0.045** mg/kg according to both the modified EPA and EU/TGD method. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.93. The HC50(EqP) is 22 mg/kg and the MPC(EqP) is 0.051 mg/kg. Therefore, the SRCeco for soil **4.5** mg/kg and for sediment **22** mg/kg. The MPC for soil is **0.045** mg/kg and the MPC for sediment is **0.051** mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of

the six trichlorophenols were 0.04 and 0.10 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively (Janus et al., 1991).

### **3.6.2.12 SRCeco for 2,3,6-trichlorophenol**

For 2,3,6-trichlorophenol acute toxicity data are available for fresh water and marine species (Table A7. 59 and Table A7. 60), which are not significantly different ( $P = 0.57$ ). The HC50 is  $9.9 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l, derived from the geometric mean of the acute toxicity data with an ACR of 10. No data are available for algae. The MPC for 2,3,6-trichlorophenol is **2.7** µg/l, derived by applying a safety factor of 1000 to the lowest L(E)C50, both with the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method ( $\log K_{\text{ow}} > 3$ ). The old MPC of 2.5 µg/l was a value for the sum of the six trichlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

There are no terrestrial toxicity data for 2,3,6-trichlorophenol. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.05. The resulting  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for soil and sediment is equal to 1.1 $\cdot 10^2$  mg/kg and the MPC is equal to 0.30 mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of the six trichlorophenols were 0.04 and 0.10 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively (Janus et al., 1991).

### **3.6.2.13 SRCeco for 2,4,5-trichlorophenol**

A number of acute toxicity data of 2,4,5-trichlorophenol are available for fresh water as well as marine species (Table A7. 62 and Table A7. 63). The fresh water and marine species do not differ in sensitivity ( $P = 0.63$ ). The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is 2.3 mg/l. Further, there is one chronic study for a fresh water species. This NOEC is  $1.6 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. The HC50(aquatic species) is determined by this value. Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. According to the modified EPA method the MPC for 2,4,5-trichlorophenol is 4.5 µg/l, derived by applying a safety factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50. Following the EU/TGD protocol an assessment factor of 100 is applied to the NOEC, which is for the same taxonomic group as the lowest L(E)C50. The resulting MPC is **1.6** µg/l. The old MPC of 2.5 µg/l was a value for the sum of the six trichlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

Two L(E)C50 values are available for earthworms (Table A7. 61). The geometric mean of these data is  $2.4 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg. An ACR of 10 leads to an HC50(terrestrial species) of 24 mg/kg. The MPC derived from these data is 0.11 mg/kg. These values are compared with values derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K<sub>p</sub>$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.13. The resulting HC50 for soil and sediment is equal to **22** mg/kg. The MPC(EqP) is equal to 0.22 mg/kg. Accordingly, the MPC for soil is **0.11** mg/kg and for sediment **0.22** mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of the six trichlorophenols were 0.04 and 0.10 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively (Janus et al., 1991).

### **3.6.2.14 SRCeco for 2,4,6-trichlorophenol**

For 2,4,6-trichlorophenol both chronic and acute toxicity data are available for aquatic species (Table A7. 65 and Table A7. 66). The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is **4.8·102** µg/l. The only acute toxicity study for marine species fits well in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 53\%$ ). The geometric mean of the combined sets is 7.4 mg/l. Consequently, the geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is taken as the HC50(aquatic species). Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (*Daphnia*) and fish. According to the modified EPA method the MPC for 2,4,6-trichlorophenol is derived by applying a safety factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50. This MPC is 3.6 µg/l. Because 3 chronic NOECs are available, also for the taxonomic group of the lowest L(E)C50, an assessment factor of 10 is applied to lowest NOEC according to the EU/TGD method. The resulting MPC is **18** µg/l.

The old MPC of 2.5 µg/l was a value for the sum of the six trichlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

Several data for terrestrial toxicity are available for 2,4,6-trichlorophenol (Table A7. 64). Chronic NOECs are available for 3 plant species with a geometric mean of  $2.5 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg. Further, some acute toxicity data are available for 4 species of earthworms and a plant. With an ACR of 10 the resulting HC50(terrestrial species) is **8.1** mg/kg. According to the modified EPA method the MPC for soil is derived by applying a factor of 1000 to the lowest L(E)C50 after comparison with the chronic toxicity data. The resulting MPC is 0.058 mg/kg. According to the EU/TGD method a factor of 50 is applied to the lowest NOEC, because 3 NOECs are available, although not for the same taxonomic group as the lowest L(E)C50. The MPC derived in this way is 2.4 mg/kg. These values are compared with values derived by equilibrium partitioning. The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.22. The resulting HC50(EqP) is 80 mg/kg and the MPC(EqP) is 3.0 mg/kg. Thus, the SRCseco are **8.1** and **80** mg/kg and the MPCs **2.4** and **3.0** mg/kg for soil and sediment respectively. The old MPCs for the sum of the six trichlorophenols were 0.04 and 0.10 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively (Janus et al., 1991).

#### **3.6.2.15 SRCeco for 3,4,5-trichlorophenol**

For 3,4,5-trichlorophenol only acute toxicity data are available (Table A7. 67 and Table A7. 68). The marine study fits in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 13\%$ ). The geometric mean of all acute toxicity data is 1.9 mg/l, which leads to an HC50(aquatic species) of **1.9·102** µg/l. No data are available for algae. According to the modified EPA method an MPC of **0.38**  $\mu$ g/l is derived. Because 3,4,5-trichlorophenol has a log  $K_{ow} > 3$ , also an MPC according to the EU/TGD can be derived. This MPC is also derived by application of an assessment factor of 1000 to the lowest  $L(E)$ C50. The old MPC of 2.5  $\mu$ g/l was a value for the sum of the six trichlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

No terrestrial data are available for 3,4,5-trichlorophenol. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.31. The resulting HC50 for soil and sediment is **39** mg/kg and the MPC is **0.078** mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of the six trichlorophenols were 0.04 and 0.10 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively (Janus et al., 1991).

#### **3.6.2.16 SRCeco for 2,3,4,5-tetrachlorophenol**

For 2,3,4,5-tetrachlorophenol acute toxicity data are available for fresh water species and one marine species (Table A7. 70 and Table A7. 71). The marine study fits in the overall lognormal distribution ( $P = 11\%$ ). The geometric mean of the combined toxicity data is 1.5 mg/l. Application of an ACR of 10 leads to an HC50(aquatic species) of  $1.5 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. No data are available for algae. The MPC according to the modified EPA method is **0.21** µg/l. Because 2,3,4,5-tetrachlorophenol has a  $log K_{ow} > 3$ , also an MPC according to the EU/TGD can be derived. This MPC is also derived by application of an assessment factor of 1000 to the lowest L(E)C50. The old MPC of 1.0 µg/l was a value for the sum of the three tetrachlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

Two L(E)C50 values are available for earthworms (Table A7. 69). The geometric mean of these data is  $6.4 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg. The HC50(terrestrial species) derived from these data with an ACR of 10 is 64 mg/kg. The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.64. The resulting HC50(EqP) is 67. Therefore, the SRCeco for soil is **64** mg/kg and for sediment **67** mg/kg. The MPC derived directly from the terrestrial data is 0.29 mg/kg, derived by applying a factor 1000 to the lowest value. The old MPC(soil) for the sum of the three tetrachlorophenol isomers was set equal to this value of 0.3 mg/kg. The MPC derived by equilibrium partitioning is lower than this value. This MPC of **0.092** mg/kg is taken as the MPC for soil

and sediment for 2,3,4,5-tetrachlorophenol. The old MPC(sediment) for the sum of the three tetrachlorophenol isomers was 0.086 mg/kg.

#### **3.6.2.17 SRCeco for 2,3,4,6-tetrachlorophenol**

Acute toxicity data of 2,3,4,6-tetrachlorophenol are available for fresh water as well as marine species (Table A7. 74 and Table A7. 75). The fresh water and marine species do not differ in sensitivity ( $P = 0.28$ ). The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is 1.6 mg/l. Further, there is one chronic study for a fresh water species. This NOEC is  $6.5 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. The HC50(aquatic species) of  $1.6 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l is derived by applying an ACR of 10 to the geometric mean of the acute toxicity data. Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. With the modified EPA method the MPC for 2,3,4,6-tetrachlorophenol is derived by applying an assessment factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50 after comparison with the chronic toxicity data. This MPC is 1.4 µg/l. With the EU/TGD method the same approach is followed except that the assessment factors for both the chronic and acute toxicity data are a factor of 10 lower in this case. The resulting MPC is **0.14** µg/l. The old MPC of 1.0 µg/l was a value for the sum of the three tetrachlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

No terrestrial data are available for 2,3,4,6-tetrachlorophenol. Therefore, both the SRC<sub>eco</sub> and the MPC for soil and sediment are derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.90. The SRCeco for soil and sediment is **13** mg/kg. The MPC for soil and sediment derived by equilibrium partitioning is **0.011** mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of the three tetrachlorophenol isomers were 0.3 and 0.086 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively.

#### **3.6.2.18 SRCeco for 2,3,5,6-tetrachlorophenol**

Acute toxicity data of 2,3,5,6-tetrachlorophenol are available for fresh water as well as marine species (Table A7. 74 and Table A7. 75). The fresh water and marine species do not differ in sensitivity ( $P = 0.89$ ). The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is 2.6 mg/l. Further, there is one chronic study for a fresh water species. This NOEC is **95** µg/l. The HC50(aquatic species) is determined by this value. No data are available for algae but the  $\log K_{\rm ow}$  of 2,3,5,6tetrachlorophenol is higher than 3. According to the modified EPA method the MPC for 2,3,5,6-tetrachlorophenol is derived by applying an assessment factor of 1000 to the lowest L(E)C50 after comparison with the chronic NOEC. This MPC is 0.17 µg/l. The chronic NOEC is for a species from the same taxonomic group as the lowest L(E)C50. Therefore, the MPC according to the EU/TGD method is derived by application of an assessment factor of 100 to the lowest NOEC. The resulting MPC is The old MPC of 1.0 µg/l was a value for the sum of the three tetrachlorophenol isomers (Janus et al., 1991).

No terrestrial data are available for 2,3,4,6-tetrachlorophenol. Therefore, both the HC50 and the MPC for soil and sediment are derived by equilibrium partitioning. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.11. The HC50 for soil and sediment is **12** mg/kg. The MPC for soil and sediment derived by equilibrium partitioning is **0.12** mg/kg. The old MPCs for the sum of the three tetrachlorophenol isomers were 0.3 and 0.086 mg/kg in soil and sediment, respectively.

#### **3.6.2.19 SRCeco for pentachlorophenol**

For pentachlorophenol, enough chronic toxicity data are available for aquatic species to perform statistical extrapolation (Table A7. 78 and Table A7. 79). Fresh water and marine species do not differ in sensitivity ( $P = 0.80$ ) and therefore, both sets are combined (Figure 3.35).



*Figure 3.35: Pentachlorophenol: Distribution of chronic toxicity data for aquatic species and estimated sensitivity distribution (n = 33,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.93, s = 0.78).* 

The HC50 of this distribution is 85  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 50 - 145  $\mu$ g/l). The HC5 is 4.3  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI:  $1.7 - 8.8 \mu g/l$ ). The MPC for pentachlorophenol based on data for secondary poisoning is higher than this HC5: 13 µg/l (Van de Plassche, 1994). Therefore, the new MPC for pentachlorophenol is **4.3** µg/l.

For pentachlorophenol terrestrial data are available for both species and processes (Table A7. 76 and Table A7. 77). The distribution of these data is shown in Figure 3.36. For processes, the HC50 is 72 mg/kg (90% CI: 30-175 mg/kg). The HC5 of this distribution is 1.1 mg/kg (90% CI: 0.2 – 3.6 mg/kg). However, species appear to be more sensitive. The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is 16 mg/kg, while that of the acute toxicity data is  $1.2 \cdot 10^2$ mg/kg. After application of an ACR of 10, the resulting value for the HC50 is 12 mg/kg. The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.97. The resulting HC50 is 8.0 mg/kg, slightly lower than the values derived directly from the terrestrial toxicity data. Therefore, the proposed SRCseco are **12** mg/kg for soil and **8.0** mg/kg for sediment.

According to the modified EPA method an assessment factor of 10 can be applied to the lowest NOEC, because data are available for bacteria, macrophyts and annelids. This value directly calculated from the terrestrial toxicity data is 0.16 mg/kg. Three NOECs are available for terrestrial species, including the same taxonomic as for the minimum L(E)C50. Therefore, the same MPC is derived according to the EU/TGD method. The MPC for soil calculated for secondary poisoning is 1.3 mg/kg and thus the MPC for soil is **0.16** mg/kg (Van de Plassche, 1994). The MPC for sediment is calculated from the MPC for surface water with equilibrium partitioning and is **0.40** mg/kg. Although the MPC for surface water is lower, this MPC for sediment is higher than the old MPC value of 0.17 mg/kg. This is caused by the use of a new value for the  $K_{\text{oc}}$ , which is slightly higher.



*Figure 3.36: Pentachlorophenol: Distribution of toxicity data for terrestrial processes and species. The estimated distribution is based on processes (n = 23,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.86, s = 1.08).* 

#### **3.6.2.20 SRCeco for the sum of chlorophenols**

Chlorophenols mainly act by polar narcosis, a mode of action that is probably the same as narcosis of nonpolar chemicals (Verhaar et al., 1996; Urrestarazu-Ramos et al., 1998; Vaes et al., 1998). In the same manner, as was done for chlorobenzenes, risk limits can be derived for the sum of chlorophenol isomers. HC50-values for water for mono-, di-, tri-, tetra- and pentachlorophenol are  $1.0 \cdot 10^3$ ,  $8.7 \cdot 10^2$ ,  $3.4 \cdot 10^2$ ,  $1.3 \cdot 10^2$ , and 85 µg/l, respectively. These values are very similar to the values for chlorobenzenes with the same degree of chlorination. The HC50-values for mono-, di-, tri-, tetra- and pentachlorophenol are respectively 5.4, 22, 22, 21, and 12 mg/kg for soil and 8.5, 22, 41, 22, and 8.0 mg/kg for sediment. Again these values are very similar to the values for chlorobenzenes.

A value for the sum of all chlorophenols is not proposed in this report, because some of the chlorophenols may exhibit a more specific mode of toxic action than polar narcosis, such as uncoupling activity (see e.g. Escher et al., 1999). However, by taking the geometric mean of the HC50s derived directly from terrestrial toxicity studies and indirectly by the equilibrium partitioning theory, the resulting proposed values for the  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$  would be 18 mg/kg for soil and 22 mg/kg for sediment, or on a molar basis  $1.0 \cdot 10^2$  and  $1.2 \cdot 10^2$  µmol/kg. For comparison, these values were 15 and 20 mg/kg (73 and  $1.1 \cdot 10^2$  µmol/kg) for chlorobenzenes. By taking the geometric mean of the MPCs of all chlorophenols in the same way as for the HC50, the resulting MPCs for the sum of all chlorophenols would be 0.13 mg/kg for soil and 0.22 mg/kg for sediment or, on a molar basis, 1.0 and 0.49 µmol/kg. For comparison, these values were 0.15 and 0.34 mg/kg  $(0.56$  and 1.6  $\mu$ mol/kg) for chlorobenzenes.

It can be concluded that for compounds that act by the same mode of action (narcosis or polar narcosis for most chlorophenols) the effect concentrations in water are mainly influenced by the physicochemical properties of the compounds and that in soil and sediment the effect concentrations are approximately at the same level for all compounds. These levels are
100  $\mu$ mol/kg (~20 mg/kg) for the HC50 and 1  $\mu$ mol/kg (~0.20 mg/kg) for the MPC for narcotic chemicals.

# **3.6.3 SRCeco for monochloronaphthalenes**

For monochloronaphtalenes new data have been collected. These data are reported in the annex to this report. Data for 1-, and 2-chloronaphthalene are first considered separately. For 1-chloronaphthalene aquatic toxicity data are available for fresh water and marine species (Table A7. 80 and Table A7. 81). One chronic NOEC of  $3.9 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l is available. The acute toxicity data for fresh water and marine species are not significantly different ( $P = 0.30$ ). The geometric mean of the combined sets of acute toxicity data is 1.2 mg/l. After application of an ACR of 10, the HC50(aquatic species) becomes  $1.2 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. According to the modified EPA method an assessment factor of 100 can be applied to the lowest L(E)C50 value resulting in an MPC of 3.7 µg/l. With the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 1000 is applied to the lowest L(E)C50. This MPC is  $0.37 \mu$ g/l. In both cases a comparison with the chronic NOEC is made. For 2-chloronaphthalene two acute toxicity data are available (Table A7. 82 and Table A7. 83). The geometric mean of these data 1.9 mg/l, which results in an HC50(aquatic species) of **1.9·10<sup>2</sup>** µg/l. With a safety factor of 1000 to the lowest L(E)C50, an MPC of **1.6** µg/l is derived according to the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method ( $\log K_{\text{ow}} > 3$ ). For both 1- and 2-chloronaphthalene the  $log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.19. The resulting SRCseco for soil and sediment are **18** and **30** mg/kg for 1- and 2-chloronaphthalene respectively. The corresponding MPCs are **0.057** and **0.25** mg/kg. Because no obvious differences are observed between the two isomers, one value can be

derived for the sum of the two. The values of the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  and MPC for surface water are **1.5·10<sup>2</sup>** µg/l and **0.77** µg/l. For soil and sediment the HC50 and MPC are 23 and **0.12** mg/kg.

# **3.6.4 SRCeco for polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)**

For PCBs only a few aquatic toxicity data are available (Van Wezel et al., 1999a). For the derivation of the HC50 for water the data from fish egg injection experiments were not considered suitable, because the data have to be recalculated from dose per egg to aqueous concentrations and the results deviate far from the NOECs for other studies. Only for the congeners #77, #105 and #126 aquatic toxicity data are available (Table A7. 84). For PCB77 one NOEC of 0.1 µg/l for a crustacean is available. For PCB105 there is an EC50 for fish of 1.3 µg/l. Also for PCB126 a NOEC of 0.018 for a crustacean is available. Based on these three studies, the HC50s(aquatic species) would be 0.1, 0.13 and 0.018 µg/l for PCB77, PCB105 and PCB126, respectively.

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 4.62 for PCB77, 4.90 for PCB105 and 4.71 for PCB126 (Otte et al., 2001). With equilibrium partitioning the resulting HC50s in soil are 4.2, 10, and 0.92 mg/kg for PCB77, PCB105, and PCB126, respectively.

The MPC for PCB77 was derived by probabilistic modelling with the data recalculated to organic carbon and performing statistical extrapolation on these data. For PCB77 all toxicity data were used for this purpose, including aquatic toxicity and secondary poisoning, for PCB105 only the most sensitive probability distribution was used and for PCB 126 only the mammal and bird data (secondary poisoning). The resulting MPCs, recalculated to standard soil and sediment were  $4.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$ ,  $1.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$  and  $2.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$  mg/kg for PCB77, PCB105 and PCB126, respectively (Van Wezel et al., 1999a).

These three congeners are all mono- or non-*ortho* PCBs and are therefore planar. A mixture-MPC has been derived for six of these PCBs using scaling factors for the MPC of each single congener based on intrinsic potency and occurrence in congener patterns. This MPC is expressed as a concentration of PCB118 and is  $5.10^{-3}$  mg/kg<sub>o.c.</sub> or for standard soil and sediment  $3.10^{-4}$  mg/kg. Aquatic toxicity data are not available for all these congeners and thus, no HC50 can be derived for a mixture of planar PCBs, unless a geometric mean of the three congeners is taken. This geometric mean is 3.4 mg/kg or 11 µmol/kg. It was decided not to include secondary poisoning in the derivation of the  $SRCs_{\rm eco}$  (see chapter 2) and therefore the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for PCBs is based on relatively simple aquatic toxicity studies. However, secondary poisoning was of major importance in the derivation of the MPC for these three PCB congeners. Hence, the SRC<sub>eco</sub> does not reflect the toxic potential of these planar PCBs. For this reason the SRCeco for PCBs can be considered as preliminary value. On the other hand, it is clear that the  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$  for the three congeners follow the same order as the MPCs that were derived with secondary poisoning included. Further, the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  should be based on the HC50, which means that only 50% of the species is protected. For specific acting chemicals, such as planar PCBs by means of the Ah-receptor, it can be expected that the majority of the species (e.g. most invertebrates) are not particularly sensitive to these chemicals. Therefore, the derived values might serve as HC50 for the purpose of the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ , although it can be considered as undesirable if all species with Ah receptor (e.g. mammals and birds) would be endangered.

#### **3.6.5 Summary and comparison with old values and MPCs**

In Table 3.11 the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> for chlorobenzenes are summarised. Also included in this table are the old values derived in Denneman and Van Gestel (1990) and the MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards'. Probably, these compounds mainly act by narcosis (Van de Plassche et al., 1993) and all proposed SRCseco for soil and sediment are very close to each other. For water the derived ERLs are given in Table 3.12. For the sum of all chlorobenzenes the toxic unit approach is proposed for the water, soil, and sediment compartment.

The same ERLs for chlorophenols are presented in Table 3.13 and Table 3.14 and for the other chlorinated aromatic hydrocarbons in Table 3.15 and Table 3.16. The ERLs for the chlorophenols and monochloronaphthalenes in soil and sediment are very similar as those for chlorobenzenes. The few data for PCBs lead to SRCeco values that are almost an order of magnitude lower. However, the specific toxicity of planar PCBs is probably not very pronounced in the aquatic toxicity tests that underlie the SRC<sub>eco</sub> for PCBs, because secondary poisoning is not included. Still the value of the SRC<sub>eco</sub> for the sum of PCBs changes from 70 mg/kg (Denneman and van Gestel, 1990) to 3.4 mg/kg.



Table 3.11: Summary of new SRC<sub>eso</sub> values for chlorobenzenes in soil or sediment, values as derived by Denneman and van Gestel (1990), MPC values as *Table 3.11: Summary of new SRC*eco *values for chlorobenzenes in soil or sediment, values as derived by Denneman and van Gestel (1990), MPC values as*

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Based on secondary poisoning for the aquatic food chain; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed.<br>For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a shor b Based on secondary poisoning for the aquatic food chain; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed. c For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term.

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MPC by Van de Plassche (1994) were based on secondary poisoning for the terrestrial food chain for soil or the aquatic food chain for sediment. The MPC in sediment was calculated by equilibrium partitioning. The new MPCs f a MPC by Van de Plassche (1994) were based on secondary poisoning for the terrestrial food chain for soil or the aquatic food chain for sediment. The MPC in sediment was calculated by equilibrium partitioning. The new MPCs for pentachlorophenol should therefore be 0.16 mg/kg for soil and 0.40 mg/kg for sediment. mg/kg for sediment.

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Table 3.14: Summary of new SRC<sub>ero</sub> values for chlorophenols in surface water. MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated' *Table 3.14: Summary of new SRCeco values for chlorophenols in surface water, MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated*

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Table 3.15: Summary of new SRC<sub>eco</sub> values for other chlorinated aromatic hydrocarbons in soil or sediment, values as derived by Denneman and van Gestel *Table 3.15: Summary of new SRC*eco *values for other chlorinated aromatic hydrocarbons in soil or sediment, values as derived by Denneman and van Gestel* report. Values are given as concentrations in mg/kg standard soil/sediment (soil containing 10% organic matter and 25% clay, sediment containing 10% *report. Values are given as concentrations in mg/kg standard soil/sediment (soil containing 10% organic matter and 25% clay, sediment containing 10%* (1990), MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (INS) and MPC values derived in this *(1990), MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (INS) and MPC values derived in this* organic matter and 25% clay). *organic matter and 25% clay).*



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Data for secondary poisoning through the aquatic food chain for sediment were included in the derivation of these MPCs; bold value indicates that c Data for secondary poisoning through the aquatic food chain for sediment were included in the derivation of these MPCs; bold value indicates that Refers to a concentration of PCB 118 representative for the sum of planar PCBs; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed. b Refers to a concentration of PCB 118 representative for the sum of planar PCBs; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed. no update of the MPC is proposed. no update of the MPC is proposed. $a \circ a$ 





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# **3.7 SRCseco for pesticides**

For the DDT related compounds (DDT/DDD/DDE), the drins (aldrin, dieldrin and endrin), the hexachlorocyclohexanes (*α*-, *β*- en *γ*-HCH) and carbofuran the data presented by van de Plassche et al. (1994) are used to derive the SRC<sub>eco</sub> values. For carbaryl, maneb and atrazine the data from Crommentuijn et al. (1997c) have been used. The proposed  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$  are summarised in 3.7.8. together with old values as proposed by Denneman and van Gestel (1990) and MPCs/NCs as proposed in the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards'. The selected data used for extrapolation are included in Appendix 8.

## **3.7.1 SRCseco for DDT related compounds**

For DDT and its derivatives DDE and DDD separate limits are derived. Afterwards it is considered whether values can be derived for the sum of the three compounds.

#### **3.7.1.1 SRCeco for DDT**

For DDT one acute toxicity study is available for a terrestrial insect (Table A8. 1). With an ACR of 10 the HC50(terrestrial species) is 1.0 mg/kg. The MPC derived from this study with either the modified EPA method or the EU/TGD method is 0.010 mg/kg. Because of the limited data for terrestrial species a comparison with equilibrium partitioning is made. The few chronic data for fresh water organisms are significantly ( $P = 0.046$ ) lower than for marine species (Table A8. 2 and Table A8. 3). However, regarding acute toxicity the marine species are more sensitive than the fresh water species ( $P = 0.046$ ). For crustaceans this effect is not observed ( $P = 0.59$ ) but marine fish are more sensitive ( $P = 0.0052$ ). The chronic toxicity data that are available for fish show the opposite effect. The differences in sensitivity are rather inconclusive and therefore, fresh and marine water studies are combined. The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is 1.7 µg/l and of the acute toxicity data 4.3 µg/l. With an ACR of 10 the HC50(aquatic species) becomes **0.43** µg/l. The MPC of **4.4·10-4** µg/l for surface water is based on secondary poisoning (Van de Plassche, 1994). This is about a factor of 10 lower than the MPC derived directly from the aquatic toxicity data using the modified EPA method or the EU/TGD method  $(0.005 \mu g/l)$ .

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 4.35 (Otte et al., 2001). This results in an HC50(EqP) of 10 mg/kg. This value is higher than the value based on the study for the terrestrial species. Consequently, the SRCeco for soil is **1.0** mg/kg and for sediment **10** mg/kg. The MPC for sediment is calculated by equilibrium partitioning from the MPC for surface water. This current MPC is  $9.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$  mg/kg (Van de Plassche, 1994). With the log  $K_p$  used here, this MPC is **9.8·10<sup>-3</sup>** mg/kg. The MPC for soil is derived from the terrestrial toxicity study, which is lower than the MPC based on secondary poisoning for the terrestrial food chain. This MPC is **0.010** mg/kg and is almost the same as the MPC(sediment) (Van de Plassche, 1994).

#### **3.7.1.2 SRCeco for DDE**

For DDE no terrestrial data are available. Therefore, the HC50 for both soil and sediment are based on equilibrium partitioning. Only one chronic NOEC is available for a marine crustacean (Table A8. 5). The acute toxicity data for fresh and marine water are significantly different ( $P = 0.046$ ), but this can be attributed to the different taxonomic groups in both sets. Fresh water fish and marine crustaceans are comparable in sensitivity. Therefore, the data of fresh water and marine species are combined. The geometric mean of these acute toxicity data is 50 µg/l. The HC50(aquatic species) is equal to the only chronic NOEC of **0.10** µg/l. The MPC for DDE was set equal to that of DDT,  $4.4 \cdot 10^{-4}$  µg/l (Van de Plassche, 1994). With the modified EPA method an MPC of 0.0025  $\mu$ g/l is derived after application of an assessment factor of 1000 to the lowest  $L(E)$ C50. The log  $K_{ow}$  of DDE is higher than 3 (Otte et al., 2001). Therefore, also, an MPC according to the EU/TGD method can be derived. The chronic NOEC is for the same taxonomic group as the lowest L(E)C50. Therefore, a factor of 100 is applied to this NOEC value, resulting in an MPC of 0.0010 µg/l. Both values are higher than that based on secondary poisoning.

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 4.12. This results in an SRC<sub>eco</sub> for soil and sediment of **1.3** mg/kg. The current MPC for soil is based on that for DDT and is 0.010 mg/kg(Van de Plassche, 1994). The value derived by equilibrium partitioning from the MPC(aquatic species) by the EU/TGD method is only slightly higher: **0.013** mg/kg. The MPC of 0.0015 mg/kg for sediment was derived by equilibrium partitioning from the MPC for water from secondary poisoning (Van de Plassche, 1994). With the  $\log K_p$  used here, this value is  $5.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$  mg/kg.

#### **3.7.1.3 SRCeco for DDD**

Also for DDD no terrestrial data are available. For surface water only acute toxicity data are available (Table A8. 6 and Table A8. 7). The data for fresh and marine water are not significantly different ( $P = 0.48$ ) and are combined. The geometric mean is 38 µg/l. With an ACR of 10 this leads to an HC50(aquatic species) of **3.8** µg/l. Also for DDD the MPC was set equal to that of DDT,  $4.4 \cdot 10^{-4}$  µg/l (Van de Plassche, 1994). With the modified EPA method an MPC of 0.024 µg/l is derived by applying an assessment factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50, because data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. According to the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 1000 is applied in this case resulting in an MPC of 0.0024  $\mu$ g/l. Both values are higher than that based on secondary poisoning. The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 3.95. This results in an  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for soil and sediment of **34** mg/kg. The current MPC for soil is based on that for DDT and is 0.010 mg/kg (Van de Plassche, 1994). The value derived by equilibrium partitioning from the MPC(aquatic organisms) by the EU/TGD method is only slightly higher: **0.021** mg/kg. The MPC of 0.0018 mg/kg for sediment was derived by equilibrium partitioning from the MPC for water from secondary poisoning (Van de Plassche, 1994). With the  $\log K_p$  used here, this value is  $3.9 \cdot 10^{-3}$  mg/kg.

#### **3.7.1.4 Combined values for the DDT related compounds**

DDT, DDE and especially DDD differ markedly in their properties, both regarding physicochemical properties and toxicity. The acute toxicity data (L(E)C50s) of both DDE and DDD are significantly higher than those of DDT. Further, the difference in  $\log K_{ow}$  is more than half a unit. Therefore, no combined SRCeco value is derived for the DDT related compounds. Due to differences in the available information other assessment factors are used for the derivation of the MPC. For this reason, the MPCs for DDT, DDE and DDD derived from aquatic toxicity data are in the same order of magnitude. However, the MPC for water for DDT is based on secondary poisoning and the MPCs for DDE and DDD were set equal to this value (Van de Plassche, 1994). For soil the MPC for DDT based on direct effects was lower than that from secondary poisoning. Although these compounds show different toxicity, the MPCs for DDE and DDD derived by equilibrium partitioning are almost the same as this MPC for DDT.

# **3.7.2 SRCseco for drins**

In the derivation of the MPC in the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' aldrin and dieldrin are treated as one, because aldrin is rapidly converted to dieldrin in surface water and soil (Van de Plassche, 1994). Also for the derivation of the SRC<sub>eco</sub>, the data for dieldrin and aldrin are combined. For this goal the data for aldrin are recalculated as dieldrin, which contains one more oxygen atom.

#### **3.7.2.1 SRCeco for aldrin and dieldrin**

Acute as well as chronic studies with terrestrial species are available for aldrin (Table A8. 8) and dieldrin (Table A8. 12). For dieldrin also a few data for terrestrial processes are available (Table A8. 11), but these are less sensitive than the species. The insect species tested with dieldrin in a chronic toxicity study is less sensitive than the taxonomic groups tested with aldrin, but still fits well in the overall distribution ( $P = 7.1\%$ ). The acute toxicity data for aldrin and dieldrin compare very well to each other  $(P = 0.41)$ . Because aldrin is rapidly converted to dieldrin, the data for aldrin and dieldrin are combined.

The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is 19 mg/kg and that of the acute toxicity data 2.2 mg/kg (expressed as dieldrin). With an ACR of 10 the HC50(terrestrial species) is equal to 0.22 mg/kg. This value for the sum of the two compounds is expressed as a concentration of dieldrin. Because aldrin and dieldrin do not have the same molecular weight it is better to express this value on a molar basis:  $0.57 \mu \text{mol/kg}$ .

The MPC of 0.050 mg/kg in soil was based on direct effects by means of the modified EPA method (Van de Plassche, 1994). With the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 50 is applied to the 3 NOECs of 34 mg/kg for terrestrial processes. The MPC(terrestrial processes) is thus 0.68 mg/kg. The lowest L(E)C50 for terrestrial species is for an insect species tested with aldrin. The insect species tested with dieldrin show comparable L(E)C50s. The lowest of 4 NOECs is for an insect species too, tested with dieldrin. Therefore, an assessment factor of 10 can be applied to this value according to the EU/TGD method, resulting in the same MPC of 0.050 mg/kg. On a molar basis this value for the sum of the two compounds is 0.13 µmol/kg.

Because of the limited number of data, both SRC<sub>eco</sub> and MPC are compared with equilibrium partitioning. The acute toxicity data with fresh water and marine species (Table A8. 9 and Table A8. 10) are significantly different for aldrin  $(P = 0.021)$ . This effect is only observed for fish species and not for crustaceans. For dieldrin no significant differences ( $P = 0.19$ ) were found between fresh water and marine species (Table A8. 13 and Table A8. 14). The chronic data from aldrin are similar to those of dieldrin  $(P = 0.27)$  and therefore the data of both compounds are combined. Data are available for 5 taxonomic groups and statistical extrapolation is performed (Figure 3.37). The HC50(aquatic species) is **3.4** µg/l (90% CI: 1.1  $-10.4 \mu$ g/l, expressed as dieldrin) or 0.0089  $\mu$ mol/l.

The HC5 of this distribution is 0.075  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 0.008 – 0.293  $\mu$ g/l). For dieldrin alone the HC5 would be 0.057 µg/l. With only one value for fresh water cyanophyta (Van de Plassche, 1994) the HC5 with the log-normal distribution is 0.032 µg/l, similar to the old value with the log-logistic distribution of 0.029 µg/l. The MPC of **0.018** µg/l for dieldrin and aldrin is based on secondary poisoning (Van de Plassche, 1994).



*Figure 3.37: Dieldrin and aldrin: Chronic toxicity for fresh water and marine species. The estimated distribution is based on the combined sets (n = 13,*  $\bar{x} = 0.53$ *, s = 0.98).* 

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.76 for dieldrin and 2.71 for aldrin. With the HC50 of 3.4  $\mu$ g/l, an HC50(EqP) of 1.9 mg/kg for dieldrin and 1.7 for aldrin is obtained. The HC50 for soil is directly obtained from the terrestrial data and is **0.22** mg/kg. For sediment the HC50s of **1.9** and **1.7** mg/kg, obtained by equilibrium partitioning, are used for dieldrin and aldrin, respectively. The MPCs for dieldrin and aldrin in soil and sediment were derived in the same way (Van de Plassche, 1994). The MPC for soil derived by the modified EPA method was 0.050 mg/kg and the MPCs for sediment were 0.12 mg/kg for aldrin and 0.67 mg/kg for dieldrin (Van de Plassche, 1994). However, with the lower values for the log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment used here, these values are much lower too. For soil, the MPC can be derived by equilibrium partitioning from the MPC of 0.075 µg/l derived for aquatic species. The resulting MPCs in soil for dieldrin and aldrin are **0.043** and **0.038** mg/kg. For sediment, the MPC can be derived from the MPC for water based on secondary poisoning. The resulting MPCs in sediment for dieldrin and aldrin are **0.010** and **0.0092** mg/kg.

#### **3.7.2.2 SRCeco for endrin**

One acute toxicity study with terrestrial species is available for endrin (Table A8. 15). The value of 0.95 mg/kg from this study is compared with equilibrium partitioning. Both for acute and chronic toxicity there are no significant differences between fresh water and marine species (Table A8. 16 and Table A8. 17,  $P = 0.41$  and 0.76 respectively). Chronic toxicity data are available for five different taxonomic groups and the data follow the log-normal distribution. Consequently, statistical extrapolation can be performed (Figure 3.38). The HC50(aquatic species) is **0.92** µg/l (90% CI: 0.17 – 4.96 µg/l).

The HC5 determined with the log-normal distribution is  $0.0049 \mu g/l$  (90% CI: 0.0002 – 0.0369 µg/l). The slightly lower MPC of 0.0030 µg/l for endrin was derived using the modified EPA method (Van de Plassche, 1994). The value for indirect effects (secondary poisoning) was slightly higher than this HC50:  $0.0063 \mu g/l$ .

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.72. The resulting HC50(EqP) is 0.48 mg/kg. However, with an ACR of 10 the HC50(terrestrial species) is lower and therefore, the HC50 for soil is equal to **0.095** mg/kg. For sediment the HC50 is **0.48** mg/kg.



*Figure 3.38: Endrin: Chronic toxicity for fresh water and marine species. The estimated log-normal distribution is based on the combined sets of data (n = 11,*  $\bar{x}$  = -0.04, s = 1.34).

The old MPC of 0.0029 mg/kg for soil was based on equilibrium partitioning with the MPC for surface water, because there is only one acute terrestrial toxicity study (Van de Plassche, 1994). With one L(E)C50 an assessment factor of 1000 is applied according to both the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method, resulting in a new MPC of **9.5·10-4** mg/kg. The MPC for sediment derived by equilibrium partitioning is **0.0026** mg/kg.

#### **3.7.2.3 Combined values for drins**

For aldrin and dieldrin one value for both compounds has already been derived. Both the physico-chemical properties and the toxicity of endrin are similar to that of dieldrin and aldrin. If combined risk limits are desired, a value for drins can be established. For surface water SRC<sub>eco</sub> is derived from the geometric mean of the 2 HC50s for aldrin/dieldrin and endrin and is 1.8 µg/l. The SRC<sub>eco</sub> for soil is 0.14 mg/kg (geometric mean of dieldrin/aldrin and endrin) and for sediment **1.2** mg/kg (geometric mean of aldrin, dieldrin and endrin). For the MPCs, the geometric mean for surface water for secondary poisoning of **0.011** µg/l (geometric mean of dieldrin/aldrin and endrin) is lower than for direct aquatic toxicity studies  $(0.019 \mu g/l)$ . With equilibrium partitioning the MPC for the sum of drins in sediment is **0.0068** mg/kg (geometric mean of aldrin, dieldrin and endrin), which is based on secondary poisoning throughout the aquatic food chain. For drins in soil the MPC is **0.012** (geometric mean of aldrin, dieldrin and endrin). All ERLs for the sum of drins are based on the molecular weight of dieldrin and endrin. Concentrations of aldrin should be recalculated to dieldrin.

# **3.7.3 SRCseco for hexachlorocyclohexanes (HCHs)**

For HCHs the data from the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' have been used. Studies for three HCH isomers (*α*-, *β*- and *γ*-HCH or lindane) reported. These isomers are treated separately.

## **3.7.3.1 SRCeco for** *α***-HCH**

No terrestrial data are available for *α*-HCH. Therefore, the SRCeco for soil has to be derived by equilibrium partitioning. Chronic toxicity data are available for six fresh water and one marine species (Table A8. 18 and Table A8. 19). The marine species fits well in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 0.43$ ) and both sets are combined. Because chronic toxicity data are available for 5 taxonomic groups, statistical extrapolation is applied to the data (Figure 3.39). The HC50(aquatic species) is  $1.4 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l (90% CI: 0.3 $\cdot 10^2 - 6.1 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l). The HC5 based on the log-normal distribution is  $3.9 \mu g/l$  (90% CI:  $0.1 - 20.6 \mu g/l$ ). The HC5 derived by the log-logistic distribution was 3.5 µg/l. The MPC of **2.5** µg/l for *α*-HCH is based on secondary poisoning (Van de Plassche, 1994).

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.10. With equilibrium partitioning, the resulting HC50 for soil and sediment is **17** mg/kg. Equilibrium partitioning was also used to derive the MPC of 0.22 mg/kg for soil and sediment from the MPC for secondary poisoning through the aquatic food chain (Van de Plassche, 1994). For the terrestrial compartment, a comparison was also made with an estimate for secondary poisoning through the terrestrial food chain. With the  $\log K_p$  used here, this value is **0.31** mg/kg.



*Figure 3.39: α-HCH: Chronic toxicity for fresh water and marine species. The estimated log-normal distribution is based on the combined sets of data (n = 7,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.13, s = 0.89).* 

## **3.7.3.2 SRCeco for** *β***-HCH**

Also for *β*-HCH, no terrestrial data are available. Chronic toxicity data are available for five fresh water and one marine species (Table A8. 20 and Table A8. 21). The marine species fits in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 0.20$ ) and both sets are combined. Because chronic toxicity data are available for 4 taxonomic groups, statistical extrapolation is performed (Figure 3.40). The HC50(aquatic species) is **93** µg/l (90% CI: 27 – 320 µg/l). The HC5 based on the log-normal distribution is 6.7  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 0.4 – 24.9  $\mu$ g/l). The MPC of **0.080** µg/l for *β*-HCH is based on secondary poisoning (Van de Plassche, 1994). The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.14. With equilibrium partitioning, the resulting SRCeco for soil and sediment is **13** mg/kg. Equilibrium partitioning was also used to derive the MPC of 0.092 mg/kg for soil and sediment from the MPC for secondary poisoning through the aquatic food chain (Van de Plassche, 1994). For the terrestrial compartment, a comparison was also made with an estimate for secondary poisoning through the terrestrial food chain. With the log  $K_p$  used here, this MPC becomes is **0.011** mg/kg.



*Figure 3.40: β-HCH: Chronic toxicity for fresh water and marine species. The estimated log-normal distribution is based on the combined sets of data (n = 6,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.97, s = 0.65).* 

#### **3.7.3.3 SRCeco for** *γ***-HCH (lindane)**

A few acute as well as chronic toxicity data for terrestrial species are available for lindane (Table A8. 22). The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is 1.2 mg/kg. Applying an ACR of 10 to the geometric mean of the acute toxicity data gives a slightly higher value of 1.7 mg/kg. Consequently, the HC50(terrestrial species) is 1.2 mg/kg. This value is compared with a value derived by equilibrium partitioning.

Enough aquatic toxicity data for fresh water and marine species (Table A8. 23 and Table A8. 24) are available to perform statistical extrapolation. The data for the marine species are significantly different from the data for fresh water species. However, these data are from one study for two marine molluscs, and from the fresh water species, it seems that molluscs are a relatively insensitive species to lindane. Therefore, both sets are combined in the statistical extrapolation (Figure 3.41). The HC50(aquatic species) is  $87 \mu g/l$  (90% CI:  $26 - 287 \mu g/l$ ). The HC5 based on the log-normal distribution is 1.2  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 0.1 – 5.5  $\mu$ g/l). The MPC of **0.77** µg/l for lindane is based on secondary poisoning (Van de Plassche, 1994). The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.76. With equilibrium partitioning, the resulting HC50(EqP) is 5.0 mg/kg. Therefore, the SRC<sub>eco</sub> for sediment is 5.0 mg/kg and the SRC<sub>eco</sub> for

soil is **1.2** mg/kg, based on the terrestrial HC50. The MPC of 0.0050 mg/kg in soil was derived with the modified EPA method, by applying a factor of 10 on the lowest NOEC (Van de Plassche, 1994). Both values are for the same insect species, which can be considered to belong to a sensitive taxonomic group for lindane. However, if the modified EPA method is strictly followed, a comparison with the acute toxicity data is made. Applying an assessment factor of 1000 to the lowest L(E)C50 gives a value that is much lower:  $8.4 \cdot 10^{-4}$  mg/kg. Because chronic NOECs are available for the same taxonomic groups as for the acute toxicity data, an assessment factor of 50 is applied to the lowest of 2 NOECs according to the EU/TGD method. This results in a similar MPC of **0.0010** mg/kg. The MPC of 0.19 mg/kg for sediment was derived by equilibrium partitioning from the MPC for surface water. With the log  $K_p$  value used here this MPC is **0.044** mg/kg.



*Figure 3.41: Lindane: Chronic toxicity for fresh water and marine species. The estimated log-normal distribution is based on the combined sets of data (n = 14,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.94, s = 1.10).* 

#### **3.7.3.4 Combined values for HCHs**

For the three considered HCH isomers, the toxicity and physico-chemical properties seem to be very similar to each other. The differences in the HC50 values for soil are mainly caused by the absence of terrestrial toxicity data for α- and β-HCH. Therefore, values can be presented for the sum of the three isomers, if desired. For surface water the geometric mean of the HC50 is 1.0.10<sup>2</sup> µg/l. The geometric mean of the HC50s(soil) of 6.4 mg/kg can be taken as the  $SRC_{eco}$  for the sum of HCHs in soil. For sediment the  $SRC_{eco}$  for the sum of HCHs is **10** mg/kg.

The geometric means of the MPCs are 3.2 µg/l for surface water, 0.077 mg/kg for soil, and 0.32 mg/kg for sediment if derived from direct toxicity data and equilibrium partitioning. If however, the data for secondary poisoning are considered, the resulting MPCs for the sum of HCHs are **0.54** µg/l for water and **0.054** mg/kg for soil and sediment.

## **3.7.4 SRCeco for carbaryl**

For carbaryl toxicity data are available for terrestrial organisms. However, most of these data are of deviating tests. These studies are often rejected because of the low purity of the pesticides (commercial products). To calculate a geometric mean for the derivation of the HC50 values these studies are nevertheless taken into account (Table A8. 25). The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is 97 mg/kg. The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is 73 mg/kg. With an ACR of 10 the HC50(terrestrial species) becomes 7.3 mg/kg. Also one NOEC of  $1.2 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg for terrestrial processes is available (Table A8. 26). The minimum value of these two, the HC50(soil, direct), is compared with a value derived by equilibrium partitioning.

The chronic toxicity data for fresh water and marine species (Table A8. 27 and Table A8. 28) compare well to each other  $(P = 0.70)$  and consequently both sets of data are combined. Enough aquatic toxicity data are available to perform statistical extrapolation (Figure 3.42). The HC50(aquatic species) is 41  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI: 11 – 153  $\mu$ g/l). The HC5 based on the lognormal distribution is  $0.23 \mu g/1$  (90% CI:  $0.02 - 1.21 \mu g/1$ ). The MPC derived by the loglogistic distribution was 0.23 µg/l too (Crommentuijn et al., 1997b).



*Figure 3.42: Carbaryl: Chronic toxicity for fresh water and marine species. The estimated lognormal distribution is based on the combined sets of data (n = 17,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.61, s = 1.34).* 

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.04. With equilibrium partitioning, the resulting HC50(EqP) is 0.45 mg/kg. Therefore, the SRC<sub>eco</sub> for soil and sediment is equal to **0.45** mg/kg. The MPC of 0.12 mg/kg for soil is based on the lowest L(E)C50 with a safety factor of 100 (Crommentuijn et al., 1997b). A factor of 100 instead of 1000 was applied, because insects are expected to be a sensitive taxonomic group for carbaryl. If the deviating test are also considered, a similar value is derived with the EU/TGD method. Three NOECs are available including one for insects. Applying an assessment factor of 10 to this value results in an MPC of 0.16 mg/kg. With equilibrium partitioning the MPC is 0.0025 mg/kg. For soil no comparison with equilibrium was made with equilibrium partitioning in the case that an MPC could be derived from terrestrial data (Crommentuijn et al., 1997b). The MPC for

sediment of **0.0025** mg/kg was derived by equilibrium partitioning (Crommentuijn et al., 1997b).

# **3.7.5 SRCeco for carbofuran**

For carbofuran chronic and acute toxicity data are available for terrestrial species (Table A8. 29). The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is 2.4 mg/kg. The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is 4.1 mg/kg. With an ACR of 10 the HC50(terrestrial species) of 0.41 mg/kg is obtained. Also three NOECs for terrestrial processes are available (Table A8. 30). From these data an HC50(terrestrial processes) of 8.0 mg/kg is derived. The minimum value of these two, the HC50(soil, direct), is compared with a value derived by equilibrium partitioning.

Chronic toxicity data are available for crustaceans and fish for both fresh and marine water (Table A8. 31 and Table A8. 32). These data are not significantly different ( $P = 0.43$ ). The geometric mean of these data is 6.5 µg/l. Also the acute toxicity data are not significantly different ( $P = 0.11$ ). The geometric mean of these data is 99  $\mu$ g/l. Therefore, the HC50(aquatic species) is **6.5** µg/l. The MPC of carbofuran of 0.015 µg/l is based on the lowest L(E)C50 with a safety factor of 100 (Van de Plassche, 1994). Although no data are available for algae, a factor of 100 was used because many other data for 4 taxonomic groups are available for carbofuran. Strictly no MPC can be derived according to the EU/TGD method because the base set is not complete and carbofuran has a  $\log K_{\text{ow}}$  lower than 3 (Otte et al., 2001). If the same reasoning is followed as was done by Van de Plassche et al. (1994), the base set can be considered as complete. Then the lowest NOEC is for the same taxonomic group as the lowest L(E)C50 and an assessment factor of 10 can be applied to the lowest of 4 NOECs. This results in an MPC of **0.050** µg/l.

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 0.41. With equilibrium partitioning, the resulting HC50(EqP) is 0.017 mg/kg. Therefore, the HC50 for soil and sediment is equal to **0.017** mg/kg. The MPC for soil of 0.0047 mg/kg was obtained by the modified EPA method, after applying a factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50 (Van de Plassche, 1994). The MPC according to the EU/TGD method is 0.010 mg/kg in this case by applying a factor of 50 to the lowest of 3 NOECs. The MPC for sediment of  $3.2 \cdot 10^{-5}$  mg/kg was derived by equilibrium partitioning (Van de Plassche, 1994). With the value for  $\log K_p$  used here and the MPC of 0.050 µg/l, an MPC of  $1.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$  mg/kg is derived.

## **3.7.6 SRCeco for maneb**

For maneb terrestrial toxicity data are available for species (Table A8. 33) and processes (Table A8. 34). There is only one acute study for terrestrial species. Applying an ACR of 10 to this value of 220 mg/kg, gives an HC50(terrestrial species) of 22 mg/kg. The geometric mean of the NOECs for the terrestrial processes is 87 mg/kg. Because maneb is a polymeric pesticide, soil-water partitioning is not well defined and therefore, the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for soil is directly derived from terrestrial data and not compared to equilibrium partitioning. The SRCeco for soil is also **22** mg/kg. The same motivation was used for the derivation of the MPC for soil of **0.22** mg/kg, derived by the modified EPA method (Crommentuijn et al., 1997b). With the EU/TGD method the same value is derived. No separate value for sediment can be derived by equilibrium partitioning.

For water only the chronic toxicity data are taken into account (Table A8. 35), because the geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is obviously much higher than that of the chronic toxicity data and the solubility of this compound is not well defined. The geometric mean of these data is **32** µg/l. The MPC for water of 0.012 µg/l was derived by the modified EPA method with a factor of 100 applied to the lowest L(E)C50 for *Vibrio fisheri*, because acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish (Crommentuijn et al., 1997b). With the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 100 is applied to the lowest NOEC in this case. The resulting MPC is **0.18** µg/l.

#### **3.7.7 SRCeco for atrazine**

Also for atrazine the studies from a deviating test with a compound purity of less than 80% have been used to derive the HC50 for terrestrial species (Table A8. 36). The geometric mean of the chronic toxicity data is 36 mg/kg. Chronic toxicity data are available for 4 taxonomic groups (Figure 3.43). However, one of these NOECs comes from a deviating test and the taxonomic groups are relatively insensitive compared to the acute toxicity data. Therefore, the acute toxicity data are used to base the HC50(terrestrial species) upon. The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is 22 mg/kg. Applying an ACR of 10 to this value yields an HC50(terrestrial species) of 2.2 mg/kg. The geometric mean of 3.1 mg/kg of the NOECs for terrestrial processes is slightly higher (Table A8. 37). Because of the limited amount of studies from non-deviating tests, the HC50 of 2.2 mg/kg directly determined from terrestrial data is compared with equilibrium partitioning.

For the derivation of the MPC of 0.024 mg/kg a factor of 10 was applied to lowest NOEC for terrestrial processes according to the modified EPA method (Crommentuijn et al., 1997b). The MPC for terrestrial species was derived by applying a safety factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50, although this was a value from a deviating test. The factor of 100 was used because acute data are available for earthworms and plants and chronic data for arthropods, which are not more sensitive (Crommentuijn et al., 1997b). For both terrestrial processes and species 3 or more NOECs are available. According to the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 50 is applied to the lowest NOEC in both cases. The minimum MPC for soil is that for processes of 0.0048 mg/kg.



*Figure 3.43: Atrazine: Chronic and acute toxicity for terrestrial species. The estimated log-normal distribution is based on the chronic data (n = 5,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.55, s = 0.55).* 

Chronic toxicity data are available for cyanophyta, algae, crustaceans, insects and fish for fresh water species (Table A8. 38) and for algae, crustaceans and fish for marine species (Table A8. 39). The fresh water and marine data are not significantly different ( $P = 0.37$ ). Because sufficient taxonomic groups are available, statistical extrapolation can be performed (Figure 3.44). The HC50(aquatic species) is **76** µg/l (90% CI: 38 – 153 µg/l). The HC5 based on the log-normal distribution is **2.9**  $\mu$ g/l (90% CI:  $0.8 - 7.3 \mu$ g/l) is the same as the MPC derived by the log-logistic distribution (Crommentuijn et al., 1997b).



*Figure 3.44: Atrazine: Chronic toxicity for fresh water and marine species. The estimated log-normal distribution is based on the combined sets of data (n = 23,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.88, s = 0.85).* 

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 0.97. With equilibrium partitioning, the resulting HC50(EqP) is 0.71 mg/kg. This value is a factor of 3 lower than the HC50 derived directly from terrestrial toxicity studies. Therefore, the SRCeco for soil and sediment is equal to **0.71** mg/kg. Applying equilibrium partitioning to the MPC for water results in an MPC of 0.027 mg/kg. The MPC for soil is thus **0.0048** mg/kg and the MPC for sediment **0.027** mg/kg.

## **3.7.8 Summary and comparison with old values and MPCs**

In Table 3.17 the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> for pesticides are summarised. Besides the values derived in the present report also the old values derived in Denneman and Van Gestel (1990) and the MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards'. The ERLs for surface water are presented in Table 3.18. For drins and HCHs also values for the sum of these compounds have been derived.



Table 3.17: Summary of new SRC<sub>eco</sub> values for pesticides in soil or sediment, values as derived by Denneman and van Gestel (1990) and MPC/NC values as<br>derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmenta *Table 3.17: Summary of new SRC*eco *values for pesticides in soil or sediment, values as derived by Denneman and van Gestel (1990) and MPC/NC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards'. Values are given as concentrations in mg/kg standard soil/sediment (soil containing 10% organic matter and 25% clay, sediment containing 10% organic matter and 25% clay).*



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- Derived by equilibrium partitioning from secondary poisoning effects for the aquatic food chain. c Derived by equilibrium partitioning from secondary poisoning effects for the aquatic food chain.

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- Calculated by equilibrium partitioning from the MPC for secondary poisoning effects for the aquatic food chain (Van de Plassche, 1994) with the log d Calculated by equilibrium partitioning from the MPC for secondary poisoning effects for the aquatic food chain (Van de Plassche, 1994) with the log  $K_p$  values used in this report (Otte et al., 2001). *K*p values used in this report (Otte et al., 2001).
	- Calculated from the data for secondary poisoning through the aquatic food chain (Van de Plassche, 1994). Direct aquatic toxicity data would result e Calculated from the data for secondary poisoning through the aquatic food chain (Van de Plassche, 1994). Direct aquatic toxicity data would result in an MPC of 0.016 mg/kg. in an MPC of 0.016 mg/kg. Φ
- Calculated from the data for secondary poisoning through the aquatic food chain (Van de Plassche, 1994). Direct aquatic and terrestrial toxicity data f Calculated from the data for secondary poisoning through the aquatic food chain (Van de Plassche, 1994). Direct aquatic and terrestrial toxicity data would result in an MPC of 0.077 mg/kg for soil and 0.32 mg/kg for sediment. would result in an MPC of 0.077 mg/kg for soil and 0.32 mg/kg for sediment.



*Table 3.18: Summary of new SRC*eco *values for pesticides in surface water, MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated*

Table 3.18: Summary of new SRC<sub>eco</sub> values for pesticides in surface water, MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated



according to Table 2.1 and Table 2.5 is given in case of preliminary risk assessment.

Derived from secondary poisoning effects for the aquatic food chain; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed. a Derived from secondary poisoning effects for the aquatic food chain; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed.

Derived from direct effects to aquatic organisms. b Derived from direct effects to aquatic organisms.  $Q_0$ 

Calculated from the data for secondary poisoning through the aquatic food chain (Van de Plassche, 1994). Direct aquatic toxicity data would result in c Calculated from the data for secondary poisoning through the aquatic food chain (Van de Plassche, 1994). Direct aquatic toxicity data would result in an MPC of 0.019 µg/l. an MPC of  $0.019$   $\mu$ g/l.

Calculated from the data for secondary poisoning through the aquatic food chain (Van de Plassche, 1994). Direct aquatic toxicity data would result in d Calculated from the data for secondary poisoning through the aquatic food chain (Van de Plassche, 1994). Direct aquatic toxicity data would result in an MPC of 3.2 µg/l. an MPC of  $3.2 \mu g/l$ .  $\overline{\mathbf{C}}$ 

# **3.8 SRCseco for other compounds**

# **3.8.1 SRCseco for phthalates**

For phthalates new data have been collected for all phthalates. These data are reported in the annex to this report. Further, the data that have been collected in the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' for *n*-dibutyl phthalate and diethylhexyl phthalate have been used (Van Wezel et al., 1999b). The selected data used for extrapolation are included in Appendix 9. For dibutyl phthalate, benzyl butyl phthalate, bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (diethylhexyl phthalate), dioctyl phthalate, di-'isodecyl' phthalate, and di-'isononyl' phthalate an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term.

## **3.8.1.1 SRCeco for dimethyl phthalate (DMP)**

For dimethyl phthalate (DMP) aquatic toxicity data are available for both fresh water and marine species (Table A9. 2 and Table A9. 3). The acute toxicity data from both sets are not significantly different ( $P = 0.10$ ). The geometric mean of these acute toxicity data is 81 mg/l, while that of the two chronic toxicity data is 9.8 mg/l. With an ACR of 10 the resulting HC50(aquatic species) is **8.1** mg/l.

Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. According to the modified EPA method, the MPC is derived by applying a safety factor of 100 to the lowest L(E)C50. This MPC is  $1.7 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. With the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 50 is applied to the lowest of 2 NOECs, resulting in an MPC of **96** µg/l.

One acute terrestrial study for earthworms is available (Table A9. 1). With an ACR of 10 the resulting HC50(terrestrial species) is  $3.2 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg. The MPC derived directly from the terrestrial toxicity data is 3.2 mg/kg according to both the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method. These values are compared with equilibrium partitioning. The  $log K<sub>p</sub>$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.02. The resulting SRC<sub>eco</sub> and MPC for soil and sediment are **84** and **1.0** mg/kg.

## **3.8.1.2 SRCeco for diethyl phthalate (DEP)**

For diethyl phthalate (DEP) aquatic toxicity data are available for both fresh water and marine species (Table A9. 5 and Table A9. 6). The acute toxicity data from both sets are significantly different ( $P = 0.040$ ). However, when only algae, crustaceans and fish are considered this significance disappears ( $P = 0.08$ ), although the difference is still markedly. However, for none of the other phthalates differences between fresh and salt water were observed. Therefore, also for DEP both sets are combined. The geometric mean of these acute toxicity data is 30 mg/l. Chronic toxicity data are available for 4 taxonomic groups (cyanophyta, protozoa, algae and crustaceans). Therefore, statistical extrapolation is performed (see Figure 3.45). The HC50 from this distribution is 23 mg/l (90% CI: 13 – 39 mg/l). The HC5 is 7.0 mg/l (90% CI: 1.9 – 12.6 mg/l). As can be seen from the figure the difference between acute and chronic toxicity data is very small. A small difference is also observed for single species or taxonomic groups, e.g. *Daphnia magna* or *Scenedesmus* species. However, also the variance in the chronic toxicity data is very small in this case. Therefore, also a comparison with QSAR estimates is made. The used value for  $\log K_{\text{ow}}$  is 2.47 (Otte et al., 2001). The QSAR estimates are shown in Table A9. 7. The HC50 from these QSAR estimates is 44 mg/l (90% CI: 24 – 80 mg/l). The HC5 is 3.7 mg/l (90% CI: 1.2 – 7.8 mg/l). The HC50 from the QSAR estimates is thus higher than that of the experimental data. However, the HC5 is lower.



Therefore, the SRCeco for water is derived from the experimental data and is **23** mg/l. The MPC is derived from the QSAR estimates and is **3.7** mg/l.

*Figure 3.45: DEP: Chronic and acute toxicity for fresh water and marine species. The estimated lognormal distribution is based on the chronic data (n = 6,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.35, s = 0.26).* 

One acute terrestrial study for plants is available (Table A9. 4). With an ACR of 10 the resulting HC50(terrestrial species) is 53 mg/kg. The MPC derived directly from the terrestrial toxicity data is 0.53 mg/kg according to both the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method.

These values are compared with equilibrium partitioning. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 1.41. The resulting HC50(EqP) is 78 mg/kg and the MPC(EqP) is 1.1 mg/kg. Therefore, the SRC<sub>eco</sub> for soil is **53** mg/kg and the SRC<sub>eco</sub> for sediment **5.8·10<sup>2</sup>** mg/kg. The MPC for soil is **0.53** mg/kg and for sediment **94** mg/kg.

#### **3.8.1.3 SRCeco for di-***iso***-butylphthalate (DIBP)**

Two acute studies were collected for di-*iso*-butylphthalate (Table A9. 8 and Table A9. 9). The geometric mean of these data is 1.6 mg/l. Applying an ACR of 10 results in an HC50(aquatic species) of  $1.6 \cdot 10^2$  µg/l. According to the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method (log  $K_{ow} > 3$ ) an assessment factor of 1000 is applied to the lowest L(E)C50, resulting in an MPC for surface water of **0.90** µg/l.

There are no terrestrial data for DIBP. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.01. The resulting SRCeco for soil and sediment is **17** mg/kg and the MPC is **0.092** mg/kg.

#### **3.8.1.4 SRCeco for** *n***-dibutyl phthalate (DBP)**

Aquatic toxicity studies with *n*-dibutyl phthalate are available for both fresh water and marine species (Table A9. 11 and Table A9. 12). The only chronic study for marine species fits in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 23\%$ ). The geometric mean of all chronic toxicity data is 7.8 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup> µg/l. Also the acute toxicity data for fresh and marine water are not significantly different ( $P = 0.56$ , Welch-corrected). Application of an ACR of 10 to the acute toxicity data

results in an HC50(aquatic species) of 1.7·10<sup>2</sup> μg/l. The MPC for surface water of 10 μg/l was derived from the same set of data using the modified EPA method (Van Wezel et al., 1999b). Because chronic and acute toxicity data are available for algae, *Daphnia* and fish, the same MPC is derived with the EU/TGD method.

One acute toxicity study with a terrestrial plant is available (Table A9. 10). With an ACR of 10, the HC50(terrestrial species) is  $1.9 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg. This value is compared with equilibrium partitioning. The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.33. The resulting  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for soil and sediment is **36** mg/kg.

The MPC for soil and sediment was derived by equilibrium partitioning (Van Wezel et al., 1999b). For this goal the lowest  $K_{\text{oc}}$  value of 1.2·10<sup>3</sup> for suspended solids was used to prevent underestimation of the risk. The resulting MPC for soil and sediment is **0.7** mg/kg. With the log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment of 2.33 corresponding to a  $K_{oc}$  value of 3.6·10<sup>3</sup>, a proportionally higher value of 2.1 mg/kg is obtained. By applying a safety factor of 1000 to the terrestrial L(E)C50 a value of 1.9 mg/kg is derived. The current MPC is thus a factor of 3 lower than these values.

# **3.8.1.5 SRCeco for butyl benzyl phthalate (BBP)**

Acute aquatic toxicity data of butyl benzyl phthalate (BBP) are available for fresh water and marine species (Table A9. 13 and Table A9. 14). No differences in sensitivity were observed  $(P = 0.83)$ . The geometric mean of these data is 1.0 mg/l. One chronic toxicity study presents a NOEC of 2.9 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup> µg/l. The HC50(aquatic species) is therefore **1.0** $\cdot$ **10<sup>2</sup>** µg/l, by applying an ACR of 10 to the acute toxicity data. Acute toxicity data are available for algae, crustaceans (a.o. *Daphnia*) and fish. According to the modified EPA method a safety factor of 100 can be applied to the lowest L(E)C50. This MPC is 2.9 µg/l. According to the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 1000 is applied to the lowest L(E)C50 in this case, resulting in an MPC of **0.29** µg/l.

Terrestrial data were not found for BBP. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 2.68. The resulting HC50 for soil and sediment is **48** mg/kg and the MPC **0.14** mg/kg.

# **3.8.1.6 SRCeco for dihexyl phthalate (DHP)**

For dihexyl phthalate (DHP) one NOEC was found. On the basis of this NOEC the HC50 for surface water is **84** µg/l. It should be noted that this value might exceed the water solubility of DHP. According to the modified EPA method the MPC is 8.4 µg/l. The base set of the EU/TGD method is not complete, because no acute toxicity data are available. However, the log *K*ow of DHP is much higher than 3 (Otte et al., 2001). Therefore, the maximum assessment factor of 100 is applied to the NOEC, leading to an MPC of **0.84** µg/l. Terrestrial data were not found for DHP. The  $\log K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 3.42. The resulting HC50 for soil and sediment is **2.2·102** mg/kg and the MPC **2.2** mg/kg.

# **3.8.1.7 SRCeco for diethylhexyl phthalate (DEHP)**

Almost all studies for diethylhexyl phthalate show effect concentration that are far above the aqueous solubility (Van Wezel et al., 1999b). There is only one NOEC that is close to the solubility (Table A9. 17). This value of **5** µg/l can be considered as the HC50 for surface water. The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 4.14. The resulting  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for soil is 69 mg/kg. For DEHP there is also one study with a frog species, exposed via contaminated sediment (Table A9. 16). The NOEC for sediment is **10** mg/kg. This value can also be considered as the SRCeco for sediment.

It should be noted that these values, that are meant to represent median hazardous concentrations, are based on the most sensitive species. Many studies had to be rejected, because the water solubility was exceeded or no effects were observed in the study. Consequently, the derived  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  can be assumed to be at the safe end.

Chronic toxicity and acute studies were performed for algae, *Daphnia* and fish. Therefore, to derive an MPC from the aquatic toxicity data an assessment factor of 10 is sufficient with both the modified EPA method and the EU/TGD method. The resulting MPC for water would be 0.5  $\mu$ g/l. The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 3.42. Applying equilibrium partitioning would result in an MPC of 6.9 mg/kg.

The MPC of **1.0** mg/kg for soil and sediment was taken from the sediment study, with application of safety factor of 10. To prevent possible adverse estrogenic effects, the MPC for water was calculated from this study by applying equilibrium partitioning, with the lowest value for log *K*oc of 4.94. This MPC is **0.19** µg/l (Van Wezel et al., 1999b). With the current  $\log K_{\text{oc}}$  of 5.37 the derived value would be 0.073  $\mu$ g/l. Derived directly from the aquatic toxicity data the MPC is 0.5 µg/l. The MPC for water of 0.19 µg/l is in between and relatively close to both of these values.

#### **3.8.1.8 SRCeco for the sum of phthalates**

Also for phthalates it can be concluded that differences in the derived HC50s for soil and sediment are not very large, considering the uncertainty due to the limited number of toxicity studies, the differences in available data and the application of the equilibrium partitioning theory. However, a sum value for the sum of phthalates is not proposed here, because some of the phthalates merely act by narcosis, while others also exhibit an endocrine disruptive activity (Van Wezel et al., 2000). The geometric mean of the HC50s for soil and sediment of the individual phthalates is 57 mg/kg for soil and 61 mg/kg for sediment, similar to the value derived by Denneman and van Gestel (1990). The values for soil based on the terrestrial toxicity data alone are much higher  $(1.5 \cdot 10^{2} \text{ mg/kg})$ . Because also phthalates do not have the same molecular weight these values can be better expressed on a molar basis. Then, the geometric mean of the HC50s are  $2.0 \cdot 10^2$  µmol/kg for soil and  $2.2 \cdot 10^2$  µmol/kg mg/kg for sediment. The geometric means of the MPCs for individual phthalates are 0.79 mg/kg  $\left(\sim 2.8\right)$  $\mu$ mol/kg) in soil and 1.7 mg/kg (~6.0  $\mu$ mol/kg) in sediment.

#### **3.8.2 SRCeco for cyclohexanone**

For cyclohexanone, new data were collected. These data are reported in the annex to this report. Only data for aquatic species are available. The selected data are presented in Table A9. 18 and Table A9. 19. The HC50 of the chronic toxicity data, which are for bacteria, cyanophyta, protozoa and algae, is  $2.6 \cdot 10^2$  mg/l (90% CI:  $1.2 \cdot 10^2 - 5.4 \cdot 10^2$  mg/l). The HC5 of this distribution is 54 mg/l (90% CI:  $9 - 118$  mg/l). The only acute toxicity study for marine species fits well in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 27\%$ ). The acute toxicity data include studies for algae, crustaceans and fish. The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is 2.5 $\cdot$ 10<sup>2</sup> mg/l, almost equal to that of the chronic toxicity data (Figure 3.46). Because of the relatively high chronic toxicity data a comparison with QSAR estimates is made. The  $\log K_{\text{ow}}$ used for these estimates was 0.81 mg/l (Otte et al., 2001). However, both the HC5 and the HC50 from these QSAR estimates (data in Table A9. 20) were higher than those from the experimental data. The SRC<sub>eco</sub> and the MPC for water are thus  $2.6 \cdot 10^2$  and 54 mg/l. The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is  $-0.24$ . The resulting HC50 for soil and sediment is  $1.5 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg and the MPC 31 mg/kg.



*Figure 3.46: Cyclohexanone: Chronic and acute toxicity for aquatic species. The estimated lognormal distribution is based on the chronic toxicity data (n = 6,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.41, s = 0.39).* 

# **3.8.3 SRCeco for pyridine**

For pyridine new data were collected, which are reported in the annex to this report. The selected data for aquatic species are presented in Table A9. 22 and Table A9. 23. Chronic toxicity data are available for bacteria, cyanophyta, protozoa and algae. Therefore, a statistical extrapolation is performed (Figure 3.47). The HC50 from this extrapolation is **57** mg/l (90% CI: 19 – 166 mg/l). The HC5 from this distribution is **2.9** mg/l (90% CI: 0.3 – 10.2 mg/l). The acute toxicity data for fresh water and marine species are not significantly different ( $P =$ 0.12). The geometric mean of all acute toxicity data is  $5.5 \cdot 10^2$  mg/l, which is about a factor of 10 higher than the chronic toxicity data. The acute toxicity data include studies for crustaceans and fish. Therefore, no further comparison is made with QSAR estimates.



*Figure 3.47: Pyridine: Chronic and acute toxicity for aquatic species. The estimated log-normal distribution is based on the chronic toxicity data (n = 9,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 1.75, s = 0.75).* 

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is 0.70. The resulting HC50(EqP) is 2.8 $\cdot 10^2$  mg/kg and the MPC(EqP) 15 mg/kg. For pyridine also some terrestrial toxicity data are available for plants (Table A9. 21). The HC50 derived from these values is equal to the NOEC of 50 mg/kg. According to the modified EPA method the MPC of 1.0 mg/kg is determined by applying a safety factor of 1000 to the L(E)C50 of 1000 mg/kg. With the EU/TGD method an assessment factor of 100 is applied to the NOEC, resulting in an MPC of 0.50 mg/kg. The SRCeco for soil is thus **50** mg/kg and for sediment **2.8·102** mg/kg. The MPC for soil is **0.50** mg/kg and for sediment **15** mg/kg.

## **3.8.4 SRCeco for tetrahydrofuran**

For tetrahydrofuran chronic and acute aquatic toxicity data are available (Table A9. 24 and Table A9. 25). Chronic toxicity data are available for four taxonomic groups (Figure 3.48). Only one fish species is included and the rest of the data is for bacteria, protozoa and algae. The HC50 of this distribution is 8.0·10<sup>2</sup> mg/l (90% CI: 3.0·10<sup>2</sup> – 21.8·10<sup>2</sup> mg/l). The HC5 is 97 mg/l (90% CI: 9 - 279 mg/l). For acute toxicity studies the only value for marine species fits in the overall log-normal distribution ( $P = 10\%$ ). The geometric mean of the acute toxicity data is  $2.4 \cdot 10^3$  mg/l. Because the difference between chronic and acute toxicity study is small and the diversity of the taxonomic groups for chronic toxicity studies is limited, a comparison with QSAR estimates is made. To calculate the QSAR estimates a  $\log K_{\rm ow}$  of 0.47 was used (Otte et al., 2001). The QSAR estimates are shown in Table A9. 26. The HC50 resulting from statistical extrapolation with these data is  $7.2 \cdot 10^2$  mg/l (90% CI:  $4.3 \cdot 10^2 - 11.9 \cdot 10^2$  mg/l). The HC5 is 87 mg/l (90% CI: 34 - 166 mg/l). The QSAR estimates for HC50 as well as HC5 are lower than those from the experimental data. Therefore, the SRC<sub>eco</sub> and MPC for surface water are **7.2·102** mg/l and **87** mg/l.



*Figure 3.48: Tetrahydrofuran: Chronic and acute toxicity for aquatic species. The estimated lognormal distribution is based on the chronic toxicity data (n = 6,*  $\bar{x}$  *= 2.91, s = 0.53).* 

The log  $K_p$  for standard soil and sediment is  $-0.76$ . The resulting SRC<sub>eco</sub> for soil and sediment is  $1.2 \cdot 10^2$  mg/kg and the MPC 15 mg/kg.

## **3.8.5 SRCeco for tetrahydrothiophene**

For tetrahydrothiophene no terrestrial and no aquatic data are available. The aquatic HC50 and MPC are therefore derived using QSARs, with the same set of QSARs as was used by Van de Plassche et al. (1993), assuming that the toxic mode of action of this chemical is narcosis. These QSAR values are shown in Table A9. 27. On the basis of statistical extrapolation an HC50(aquatic species) of **9.4** mg/l and an HC5(aquatic species) of **0.97** mg/l are derived from these QSARs, after application of a safety factor of 10 for the absence of experimental data and the use of QSAR estimates. The  $log K_p$  for soil and sediment is  $-0.03$ , resulting in an HC50 for soil and sediment of **8.8** mg/kg and an MPC of **0.90** mg/kg.

## **3.8.6 Summary and comparison with old values and MPCs**

In Table 3.19 the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> for the remaining compounds are summarised. Besides the values derived in the present report also the old values derived in Denneman and Van Gestel (1990) and the MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards'. For none of the compounds listed in this table an SRC<sub>eco</sub> is determined that is substantially lower than that of the compounds that act mainly by narcosis, such as the chlorobenzenes.



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Table 3.19: Summary of new SRC<sub>eco</sub> values for phthalates and cyclic compounds in soil or sediment, values as derived by Denneman and van Gestel (1990), *Table 3.19: Summary of new SRC*eco *values for phthalates and cyclic compounds in soil or sediment, values as derived by Denneman and van Gestel (1990),* MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (INS) and MPC values derived in this report.<br>Values are given as concentrations in mg/kg standard soil/sediment (soil *Values are given as concentrations in mg/kg standard soil/sediment (soil containing 10% organic matter and 25% clay, sediment containing 10% organic MPC values as derived in the context of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' (INS) and MPC values derived in this report. matter and 25% clay).*



No update of the MPCs is proposed for these compounds; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed. c No update of the MPCs is proposed for these compounds; bold value indicates that no update of the MPC is proposed.



For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation  $1488/94$ ) will be available on a short term. d For these compounds an European evaluation (EU commission regulation 1488/94) will be available on a short term.

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# **4 Discussion**

# **4.1 Revised SRCseco**

In 1990 the first series of SRC<sub>eco</sub> values were proposed by Denneman and van Gestel to serve as trigger values for the purpose of soil remedation, the Intervention Values. However, since then new toxicological data have become available, mostly collected in the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' to derive the MPC/NC values. Further, new data were retrieved for compounds of the first series that have not yet been evaluated in the framework of the current report. Also the methodology to derive the  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$ has been changed since the first series of  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$ . The concentration that is hazardous to 50% of the species (HC50) is proposed as the SRCeco. This HC50 is determined by refined risk assessment (log-normal extrapolation) or preliminary risk assessment, which is a comparison of chronic and acute toxicity data together with equilibrium partitioning (EqP). In this report this information has been evaluated and new values for the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> are proposed. In addition, if necessary the old MPC/NC values have been updated.

The SRCs<sub>eco</sub>, are reported in Table 4.1. In this table also the reliability of the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> is indicated. The QSAR estimates without any comparison with experimental toxicity data have been assigned no reliability score, but can be regarded as having a low reliability. The SRCseco for all compounds presented in this table are based on standard soil and sediment. However, this soil is representative for only a few soil types. For a site-specific risk assessment a normalisation on organic matter can be performed in the case of organic compounds. The values for metals consist of an added part and a natural background in standard soil. Here, for a site-specific risk assessment the background concentration can be corrected based on organic matter and lutum of the specific soil. For the added part the use of this correction method is still subject to debate.

Most of the new SRC<sub>eco</sub> values are in the same order of magnitude as the current values. Exceptions to this are dichloromethane, trichloroethene, hexachlorobenzene, drins, carbaryl, and carbofuran. For these organic chemicals the new  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  is substantially lower ( $>$  factor of 10). For dichloromethane and trichloroethene this can be attributed to the inclusion of terrestrial processes in the derivation of the SRCeco. The use of equilibrium partitioning is the cause of the difference for hexachlorobenzene, carbaryl, and carbofuran. For the rest of the organic chemicals the new  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  values are on average not particularly higher or lower than the old values. The same conclusion can be drawn for the metals. The new values for arsenic, mercury, and lead are higher than the old values, while the new values for copper, nickel and zinc are lower than the old values. High partition coefficients for metals in sediment give rise to much higher  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  values in sediment than in soil (see also 4.3.2).

The changes in SRCs<sub>eco</sub> can be attributed to changes in both data and methodology or a combination of these two aspects. Regarding the data used, both the toxicity data and the partitioning coefficients used for equilibrium partitioning have been evaluated. The methodology has been changed on several aspects too. In comparison with Denneman and van Gestel, species are now used as entries instead of taxonomic groups, all acute toxicity data are grouped instead of separate values for LC50s and EC50s, the number and type of data to apply statistical extrapolation upon is different, data on processes are also included to base the SRCeco upon, and the way in which it is determined whether to use chronic, acute or equilibrium partitioning data to derive the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  in case of preliminary risk assessment has been changed.

The derived SRCs<sub>eco</sub> are still based on a limited amount of toxicity data. As a result, preliminary risk assessment is mostly used for both the water and the soil compartment. For only slightly more than half of the compounds terrestrial toxicity data were available. Finally, almost two out of three  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  values for soil is derived by equilibrium partitioning (see also 4.3.1).

# **4.2 Revised MPCs**

For all compounds considered in this report the MPCs are discussed (see Table 4.2). As far as preliminary risk assessment is concerned, new MPCs were derived according to the EU/TGD method instead of the modified EPA method that was used until now in the framework of the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards'. In addition to the preliminary risk assessment methods statistical extrapolation was used. Also the method for this refined risk assessment was changed, from log-logistic extrapolation to log-normal extrapolation, although the influence of this change on the numerical values is marginal. Data on secondary poisoning or harmonisation with the air compartment were not considered in this report and therefore, all MPCs derived by this EU/TGD method can only be regarded as a proposal for the MPC if they are lower than the MPCs that were formerly derived for secondary poisoning or after harmonisation with the air compartment. In general, the EU/TGD method gives MPC values that are rather comparable with those derived by the modified EPA method, but tending to be slightly lower, on average a factor of 2 (see also 4.3.5).

The MPCs that were derived in the framework of 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' by means of QSARs are high compared to the SRCs<sub>eco</sub>. Using the experimental data as a starting point usually results in much lower MPCs, especially when preliminary risk assessment was used. It is open to discussion whether or not these QSARs in combination with statistical extrapolation can be used to derive MPCs. Statistical extrapolation uses the standard deviation of the data points for the range of extrapolation. For each QSAR however, the variability in sensitivity of a species for different compounds is averaged. In this way, the standard deviation of all QSAR estimates might be deviating from that of experimental data. The fact that many MPCs derived with statistical extrapolation from experimental data are still close to the QSAR estimates can also be explained by a limited diversity in taxonomic groups (see 4.3), which may also greatly diminish the standard deviation of the experimental data points.


Table 4.1: Summary of SRC<sub>eco</sub> values for soil, sediment and surface and ground water. *Table 4.1: Summary of SRC*eco *values for soil, sediment and surface and ground water.* page 145 of 263

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Table 4.2: Summary of MPC or MPA (for metals) values for soil, sediment and surface water. *Table 4.2: Summary of MPC or MPA (for metals) values for soil, sediment and surface water.*

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## **4.3 Uncertainty and reliability of the derived ERLs**

### **4.3.1 Number of available toxicity data**

In most cases enough data are available to do a refined risk assessment for the metals, both for water and soil. Therefore, most of the derived risk limits for metals have a high reliability score. For cyanides only data for water were available, except one terrestrial study with thiocyanate. A refined risk assessment was possible for free cyanide. For thiocyanate only a few aquatic toxicity data were available.

Only for a minority of the organic compounds a refined risk assessment was possible for the aquatic compartment and for almost a quarter of the compounds only acute aquatic toxicity data are available. The terrestrial toxicity data are even more limited. For organic compounds only one SRCeco for soil has a high reliability score. Further, more than half of the organic compounds have the low reliability score on SRCeco for soil, which means that no terrestrial data were found for these compounds.

In Figure 4.1 the methods used for derivation of the SCRs<sub>eco</sub> are presented by compartment. From this figure it is clear that most data are available for aquatic species. The number of SRCseco for soil that is derived by equilibrium partitioning is substantial (more than 50%), which also reflects the limited data for terrestrial species and processes. The  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$  for sediment are almost solely derived by equilibrium partitioning, because no toxicity data are available for sediment.



*Figure 4.1: Overview of the methods used for the derivation of the SRCs*<sub>eco</sub> *for the compartments soil*, *sediment and water: refined risk assessment, preliminary risk assessment factors (AF) of 1 and 10, for NOECs and L(E)C50s respectively, or equilibrium partitioning (EqP).*

### **4.3.2 Uncertainty in ERLs for metals**

The high reliability score for metals is based on the number of taxonomic groups available for extrapolation, and this denotes that refined risk assessment is applied. However, in the case of essential metals the application of statistical extrapolation is subject to debate at this moment.

In a project guided by the workgroup VEM (Slijkerman et al., 2000) it is examined if it is better to do a separate risk assessment for individual ecological systems (environmental type with accompanying species). Differences in ERLs derived for all ecological systems together or for each individual system will probably be most pronounced in the MPCs, which depend on the standard deviation in the data, and are not expected to greatly influence the SRCeco, which is solely determined by the geometric mean of the data. Therefore, the classification 'highly reliable' is still used if statistical extrapolation could be applied.

#### **4.3.3 High ERLs for some organic compounds**

The SRCs<sub>eco</sub> in surface water for some organic compounds can be erroneously for two reasons. First, it appears that refined risk assessment of these compounds results in generally much higher SRC<sub>eco</sub> values, compared to preliminary risk assessment (see also Figure 4.2). For several compounds, the taxonomic groups bacteria, cyanophyta, algae and protozoa prevailed in the distributions of the chronic toxicity data. For other taxonomic groups, such as fish and crustaceans, the acute toxicity data, were often as low as these chronic toxicity data. The acute toxicity studies (e.g. LC50 studies) are mostly performed with higher organisms, while lower organisms tend to be more pronounced among the chronic toxicity studies. Statistical extrapolation requires a kind of random sampling of the data among the taxonomic groups. It can be concluded that this requirement is often not met. If still the criterion of four taxonomic groups is applied to perform statistical extrapolation, it might be better to use *monera* instead of *bacteria* and *cyanophyta*, and *protista* instead of *protozoa* and *algae* as taxonomic groups. This proposal is a more stringent guideline to apply statistical extrapolation only in those cases where more taxonomic groups (at least two) are available than the four mentioned above. In this report this rule would apply to the following compounds: toluene, ethylbenzene, hydroquinone, *o*- and *m*-cresol, trichloromethane, *β*-HCH, cyclohexanone, pyridine, tetrahydrofuran, and diethyl phthalate. Preliminary risk assessment would then be used instead of refined risk assessment for these eleven compounds. The guidelines to apply statistical extrapolation used by Denneman and van Gestel (1990) were also more rigid than those from the project 'Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards' used in this report (see 2.7).

A second possibility for the fact that some of the derived  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$  can be too high lies in the fact that some compounds, i.e. the non-chlorinated monoaromatic and chlorinated aliphatic hydrocarbons, are very volatile. As a consequence, actual exposure concentrations are generally much lower than nominal concentrations. Many of the underlying data for the compound groups above are subject to this effect, which can severely influence the ERLs (Van de Plassche et al., 1993). In this case the derived ERLs from these experiments are too high as well.

### **4.3.4 A generic value for the ERLs in soil and sediment of narcotic chemicals**

For most organic compounds the BSAF values are very similar (Hendriks et al., 1998; Tracey and Hansen, 1996). If compounds have the same intrinsic toxicity this will also result in almost constant effect concentrations in soil or sediment. Many organic chemicals have no specific mode of toxic action and act mainly by narcosis (McCarthy and Mackay, 1993; Hermens and Leeuwangh, 1982). The presence of a more specific mode of toxic action will of course be more pronounced in the  $5<sup>th</sup>$  percentile of the most sensitive species to a compound than in the geometric mean of all species. Therefore, a generic a-specific mode of toxic action

will be of more relevance for the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  than for the MPC: the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  is subject to the differences in the derivation of the toxicity data for each compound to a lesser extent than the MPC. A generic value for the ERLs, or at least the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$ , can thus be considered for narcotic chemicals.

All SRCs<sub>eco</sub> that were derived in this report for organic chemicals in soil are shown in Figure 4.2, including SRCs<sub>eco</sub> derived directly from terrestrial toxicity studies as well as those derived by equilibrium partitioning from aquatic toxicity studies. In the upper part of the figure the compounds that are supposed to have no specific toxic mode of action (narcotic chemicals) are shown and in the lower part the other chemicals, which are the pesticides and PCBs. For soil and sediment the MPCs derived by either the modified EPA method or the EU/TGD method are shown in Figure 4.3 and Figure 4.4. As can be seen from these figures a clear difference exists between the chemicals that are assumed to act mainly by narcosis and those with a specific mode of action.

The differences for narcotic chemicals are likely caused by differences and uncertainty in the available data on toxicity and partition coefficients and differences in extrapolation methods, rather than differences in toxicity. This facilitates the use of one value for this type of chemicals. Further, if effect concentrations are additive, which is the case for narcotic chemicals, this generic value for narcotic chemicals (e.g. Broderius and Kahl, 1985) can also be considered as a sum value for the group of these compounds (see also 2.5).

A similar approach for deriving ERLs has also been suggested by DiToro and McGrath (2000). A general  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  for soil and sediment would be in the order of 100 µmol/kg, which is approximately the value derived for chlorobenzenes and chlorophenols. A general value for the MPC would be in the range of 1.0  $\mu$ mol/kg, a value that is approximately the geometric mean for chlorobenzenes and chlorophenols. Consequently, for these chemicals the difference between SRC<sub>eco</sub> and MPC is approximately a factor of 100. This approach should be worked out in more detail before it can be used for the purpose of deriving SRCs<sub>eco</sub> in sediment or soil.

### **4.3.5 Preliminary risk assessment: the use of equilibrium partitioning and extrapolation factors**

The SRCs<sub>eco</sub> derived by equilibrium partitioning are consistent with the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> derived from terrestrial toxicity data (Figure 4.2). Similar to the SRCseco, no significant differences exist for the MPCs derived directly from terrestrial toxicity data or derived indirectly from aquatic toxicity data by equilibrium partitioning (Figure 4.3 and Figure 4.4). This is a strong indication that equilibrium partitioning is an effective method for calculating ERLs for organic compounds.

The MPCs cover a broader range of concentrations than the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> (see Figure 4.2 to Figure 4.4). This is expected because the MPC (which is based on the  $5<sup>th</sup>$  percentile or derived from the lowest value with different assessment factors) is much more influenced by the composition of the available toxicity data than the SRCeco (which is based on the geometric mean only). Further, the MPCs derived by the modified EPA method and the MPC derived by the EU/TGD method seem to cover almost the same range.

For MPCs of narcotic chemicals derived by equilibrium partitioning the difference between the values originating from preliminary and refined risk assessment is even more obvious than for the  $SRCs_{\text{eco}}$  (see 4.3.3). The distribution of the MPCs seems to be bimodal and not uniform. A possible explanation is that the assessment factors for preliminary risk assessment are too high. It is also plausible that the limited diversity of the underlying data or volatilisation of many of the narcotic chemicals is causing this bimodality (4.3.3).

Considering this, it can be concluded that the extrapolation factors of the preliminary risk assessment are rather consistent with the statistical extrapolation.

### **4.4 Recommendations for further studies**

Only one toxicity study for sediment has been used for the derivation of the ERLs. This means that almost all ERLs for sediment are based on equilibrium partitioning. Because environmental conditions, such as redox potential and pH, can be very different in sediment, data on benthic processes or single species would be very useful.

The available toxicity data that originate from older studies are in some cases rather limited. For these compounds, which are the monoaromatic hydrocarbons, the chlorinated aliphatic hydrocarbons and the chlorobenzenes, new toxicity data should be searched for.

Further, an update of the  $SRC_{\text{eco}}$  is advisable if the compound has been evaluated in a European framework (EU commission regulation 1488/94). The compounds of the first series of Intervention Values that are listed in the first priority list of the European Union are nickel, cadmium, several chromium salts, zinc, benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, styrene, phenol, naphthalene, anthracene, chloroform, trichloroethylene, tetrachloroethylene, 1,4 dichlorobenzene, 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene, dibutyl phthalate, benzyl butyl phthalate, bis(2 ethylhexyl) phthalate and other phthalates. For these compounds an European evaluation will be available on a short term.

Until now for all acute toxicity data a general ACR of 10 has been used to compare ERLs derived from acute toxicity data with those derived from chronic toxicity data. Further, the specific sensitivity of a certain species towards a chemical is not included in the extrapolation from usually a limited number of toxicity studies from even less taxonomic groups. From knowledge about the toxic mode of action of a compound and from toxicity databases, more scientifically based assessment factors might be derived. The resulting assessment factors should be specific for a particular taxonomic group or group of compounds.

The use of a generic value for ERLs for sediment and soil for organic compounds without a specific mode of toxic action has been put forward in section 4.3. The applicability of such a concept for the purpose of ERLs should be further explored. It should be investigated if differences in ERLs can be completely attributed to uncertainties in toxicity data and partition coefficients or to differences in taxonomic groups among the available toxicity data.



Chemicals that act mainly by narcosis

Chemicals with a specific mode of action



*Figure 4.2: Distribution of the SRCs*<sub>eco</sub> derived in this report for organic compounds. A separation is *made between chemicals that are assumed to act mainly by narcosis (most of the organic compounds,*  $n = 106$ ,  $\bar{x} = 2.24$ ,  $s = 0.66$ ) and chemicals with a more specific mode of action (all pesticides and *PCBs, n* = 28,  $\bar{x}$  = 1.01, s = 0.91).



Chemicals that act mainly by narcosis

Chemicals with a specific mode of action



*Figure 4.3: Distribution of the MPCs derived in this report for organic compounds by the modified EPA method or statistical extrapolation. A separation is made between chemicals that are assumed to act mainly by narcosis (most of the organic compounds, n = 106,*  $\bar{x}$  = 0.47, s = 0.96) and *chemicals with a more specific mode of action (all pesticides and PCBs, n = 28,*  $\bar{x}$  *= -0.71, s =*  $\bar{z}$ *1.17).*



Chemicals that act mainly by narcosis

Chemicals with a specific mode of action



*Figure 4.4: Distribution of the MPCs derived in this report for organic compounds by the EU/TGD method or statistical extrapolation. A separation is made between chemicals that are assumed to act mainly by narcosis (most of the organic compounds, n = 106,*  $\bar{x}$  = 0.25, s = 0.98) and chemicals with *a more specific mode of action (all pesticides and PCBs, n = 106,*  $\bar{x}$  *= -0.94, s = 1.00).* 

# **5 Conclusions**

Generally, the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> derived in this report are in the same order of magnitude as the current Intervention Values and on average, the new SRC<sub>eco</sub> values are equally high, with exception of a few organic chemicals. Differences with the old values derived by Denneman and van Gestel can be attributed to both a different methodology and different toxicity data. The number of ecotoxicological data on which most SRCs<sub>eco</sub> are based is limited, especially for the group of organic chemicals. This lack of sufficient data has considerable implications for the reliability of the values derived in this report. Most toxicity data be found for the water compartment. For soil much less toxicity data were reported and as good as no data are available for sediment. Consequently, a substantial part of the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> for soil and almost all values for sediment had to be derived by equilibrium partitioning. The equilibrium partitioning method seems to give results that are comparable with the ERLs derived from direct terrestrial toxicity data. Therefore, this method is suitable to derive ERLs for soil and sediment in the absence of sufficient terrestrial toxicity data. However, the reliability of this method also depends on the used partition coefficients. For this reason, this method seems to be less reliable to derive ERLs for metals in soil and sediment. The assessment factors for preliminary risk assessment seem to be linked with the statistical extrapolation of the refined risk assessment fairly well for the SRCs<sub>eco</sub> as well as the MPCs. However, the taxonomic diversity necessary to apply refined risk assessment is not very stringent at this moment.

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# **List of abbreviations**

### **Terrestrial species**



### **Microbial processes**



### **Enzymatic activity**



#### **Aquatic species** bact bacteria coel coelenterata cyan cyanophyta echi echinodermata fung fungi (mycophyta) alg algae prot protozoa crus crustacea pisc pisces mac macrophyta nema nematoda plat platyhelminthes roti rotifera moll mollusca ann annelida ins insecta amph amphibia **Risk limits** ACR Acute to chronic ratio BCF Bioconcentration factor: the ratio of the substance concentration in (part of) an organism to the concentration in water at steady state BSAF Biota to soil/sediment accumulation factor: the ratio of the substance concentration in (part of) an organism to the concentration in soil or sediment at steady state *C*<sub>b</sub> background concentration ECOTOX-SCC Ecotoxicological Serious Contamination Concentration (currently SRCeco) EC50 Effect Concentration causing 50% effect ERL Ecotoxicological Risk Limit EqP Equilibrium Partitioning HC5 Hazardous Concentration for which for 5% of the species or processes are not protected HC50 Hazardous Concentration for which for half of the species or processes are not protected HUMTOX SCC Human-toxicological Serious Contamination Concentration (currently SRChuman) INS Setting Integrated Environmental Quality Standards (Integrale Normstelling Stoffen) IW Technical evaluation of Intervention Values for soil/sediment and groundwater Intervention Values (Interventiewaarden) *K*oc Organic carbon-water partition coefficient *K*ow Octanol-water partition coefficient *K*<sub>p</sub> Solid-water partition coefficient (between soil or sediment and water soil/w and sed/w) LC50 Lethal concentration for 50% of the population MPA Maximal Permissible Addition (for metals)



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# **Appendix 2 Data for metals used for extrapolation**

### **Contents**







All data originate from Appendix 2II in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: geometric mean of 140 and 22 mg/kg, parameter growth for *G. hirsutum*

process	NOEC $[mg/kg]$	process	NOEC [mg/kg]
N-min	420 <sup>a</sup>	phos	980 <sup>k</sup>
N-min	$310^b$	ure	48
N-min	$370^\circ$	ure	370
N-min	340 <sup>d</sup>	ure	140
phos	$120^e$	ure	37
phos	$1100^t$	ure	100
phos	380 <sup>g</sup>	ure	17
phos	340 <sup>h</sup>	nitr	42 <sup>1</sup>
phos	98 <sup>i</sup>	nitr	67 <sup>m</sup>
phos	200 <sup>1</sup>	nitr	$76^n$

*Table A2. 2: Arsenic: selected data on terrestrial processes*

All data originate from Appendix 2V in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: geometric mean of 420 and 420 mg/kg, process N-mineralisation in soil with pH 5.8

b: geometric mean of 310 and 310 mg/kg, process N-mineralisation in soil with pH 6.6

c: geometric mean of 370 and 370 mg/kg, process N-mineralisation in soil with pH 7.8

d: geometric mean of 340 and 340 mg/kg, process N-mineralisation in soil with pH 7.4

e: geometric mean of 210 and 71 mg/kg, process phosphatase(acid) in Webster soil with pH 5.8

f: geometric mean of 1900 and 620 mg/kg, process phosphatase(acid) in Harps soil with pH 7.8

g: geometric mean of 850 and 170 mg/kg, process phosphatase(acid) in Okoboji soil with pH 7.4

h: geometric mean of 620 and 190 mg/kg, process phosphatase(alkaline) in Harps soil with pH 7.8

i: geometric mean of 170 and 57 mg/kg, process phosphatase(alkaline) in Okoboji soil with pH 7.4

j: geometric mean of 140 and 280 mg/kg, process phosphatase in spar-mor soil with pH 4.3

k: geometric mean of 680 and 1400 mg/kg, process phosphatase in mull soil with pH 6.3

l: geometric mean of 42 and 42 mg/kg, process nitrification in Webster soil with pH 5.8

m: geometric mean of 37 and 120 mg/kg, process nitrification in Harps soil with pH 7.8

n: geometric mean of 34 and 170 mg/kg, process nitrification in Okoboji soil with pH 7.4

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$	taxonomic group	NOEC in $\left[\mu g/l\right]$
bact	9700	crus	400 <sup>a</sup>
cyan	11000	crus	88
alg	10	pisc	2100
alg	86	pisc	2100
alg	4700	pisc	76
alg	10000	pisc	8400
prot	4800	pisc	1900 <sup>b</sup>
crus	570		

*Table A2. 3: Arsenic: selected data for fresh water*

All data originate from Appendix 2 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for Daphnia magna, geometric mean of 630 and 260  $\mu$ g/l

b: most sensitive parameter (mortality/reproduction) for Pimephales promelas, geometric mean of 1700 and 2100 µg/l





All data originate from Appendix 2I in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *Champia parvula*

*Table A2. 5: Barium: selected data on terrestrial processes*

process	NOEC $[mg/kg]$	process	NOEC $[mg/kg]$
phos (acid)	2800	aryl	1300
phos (acid)	2600	ure	930
phos (acid)	$1100^a$	ure	590
phos (alkaline)	1400	ure	370
phos (alkaline)	820 <sup>b</sup>	ure	190 <sup>e</sup>
aryl	930	ure	450
aryl	$380^\circ$	ure	$170^{\rm f}$
aryl	$750^{\rm d}$		

All data originate from Appendix 4 in Van de Plassche et al. (1992).

a: geometric mean of 3600 and 360 mg/kg, process acid phosphatase in loam with pH 5.8

- b: geometric mean of 2600 and 260 mg/kg, process alkaline phosphatase in silty clay loam with pH 7.4
- c: geometric mean of 970 and 150 mg/kg, process arylsulfatase in soil with pH 7.6
- d: geometric mean of 1700 and 340 mg/kg, process arylsulfatase in soil with pH 6.5
- e: geometric mean of 590 and 59 mg/kg, process urease in soil with pH 7.8
- f: geometric mean of 540 and 54 mg/kg, process urease in soil with pH 7.4

*Table A2. 6: Barium: selected data for fresh water*

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g/l \rceil$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg	!7000	crus	55000 <sup>a</sup>
crus	2900	pisc	570000
		mac	26000

All data originate from Appendix 2 in van de Plassche et al. (1992).

a: geometric mean of 200 and 15 mg/l for *Daphnia* sp.

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/kg]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/kg]$
mac	18 <sup>a</sup>	ann	14
mac	14	ann	250
mac	$2.0^{\rm b}$	1SO	$2.8^e$
moll	7.8	1ns	$57^{\mathrm{f}}$
ann	130	1ns	2.9 <sup>g</sup>
ann	$5.3^\circ$	ara	$1.2^h$
ann	23 <sup>d</sup>		

*Table A2. 7: Cadmium: selected data on terrestrial species*

All data originate from Appendix 2II in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: geometric mean of 20, 7.9, 55, 10, 71 and 6.1 mg/kg, parameter growth for grain species

b: geometric mean of 1.5, 2.2, 1.1, 2.5, 2.3 and 3.4 mg/kg, parameter growth for *S. oleracea*

c: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *Eisenia andrei*

d: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *Eisenia fetida*, geometric mean of 13 and 41 mg/kg

e: lowest parameter (growth) for *P. scaber*, geometric mean of 4.6 and 1.7 mg/kg

f: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *F. candida*, geometric mean of 36 and 89 mg/kg

g: lowest parameter (growth) for *O. cincta*

h: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *P. peltifer*

process	NOEC [mg/kg]	process	NOEC [mg/kg]
arg-am	110	dehy	170
<b>ATP</b>	80	dehy	31
cel-resp	200	dehy	110
Fe(III)-red	62	dehy	91
glu-resp	200	dehy	98
nitr	60	dehy	69
nitr	54	dehy	33
nitr	40	dehy	24
N-min	340	dehy	29
N-min	180	dehy	120
N-min	200	dehy	81
N-min	270	dehy	67
N-min	650	dehy	96
N-min	2100	dehy	81
N-min	480	phos	380
N-min	370	phos	1000
N-min	310	phos	170
resp	$200^a$	phos	300
resp	$270^{\rm b}$	phos	270
resp	$200^{\circ}$	phos	300
resp	450 <sup>d</sup>	phos	90
resp	130	phos	29 <sup>h</sup>
resp	83	phos	11000
resp	65	phos	$18^{\rm i}$
resp	63	phos	750 <sup>j</sup>
resp	160	ure	$71^k$
resp	120	ure	380 <sup>1</sup>
resp	310	ure	2.7 <sup>m</sup>
aryl	$6.1^e$	ure	2200
aryl	4.7	ure	77
aryl	9.2 <sup>f</sup>	ure	60
aryl	25 <sup>g</sup>	ure	67
aryl	3000	ure	30
dehy	54	ure	52
dehy	27	ure	26

*Table A2. 8: Cadmium: selected data on terrestrial processes*

All data originate from Appendix 2V in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: respiration, result from test with sandy loam with pH 5.1 with longest exposure

b: respiration, result from test with sand with pH 7.7 with longest exposure

c: respiration, result from test with silty loam with pH 7.4 with longest exposure

d: respiration, result from test with sandy peat with pH 4.3 with longest exposure

e: arylsulphatase, result from test with sand with pH 7.7 with longest exposure

f: arylsulphatase, result from test with silty loam with pH 7.4 with longest exposure

g: arylsulphatase, result from test with clay with pH 6.8 with longest exposure

h: phosphatase, result from test with sand with pH 7.7 with longest exposure

i: phosphatase, result from test with silty loam with pH 7.4 with longest exposure

j: phosphatase, result from test with clay with pH 6.8 with longest exposure

k: urease, result from test with sand with pH 7.7 with longest exposure

l: urease, result from test with silty loam with pH 7.4 with longest exposure m: urease, result from test with clay with pH 6.8 with longest exposure

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$
bact	80	ann	30 <sup>g</sup>
bact	220	crus	0.41 <sup>h</sup>
cyan	50	crus	$0.86^{i}$
cyan	70	crus	$1.6^{j}$
alg	$52^{\mathrm{a}}$	crus	1.2
alg	83	crus	0.29
alg	$330^b$	crus	$1.0^k$
alg	33 <sup>c</sup>	ins	$2.0^{1}$
alg	900	pisc	$4.2^{\rm m}$
alg	31	pisc	4.2
alg	11	pisc	$15^n$
alg	$15^d$	pisc	$3.0^\circ$
alg	1.1	pisc	180 <sup>p</sup>
mac	33	pisc	4.3
mac	9.0	pisc	10
mac	20	pisc	1.3
mac	5.0	pisc	2.1 <sup>q</sup>
mac	$2.2^{\rm e}$	pisc	3.8
mac	6.9 <sup>f</sup>	pisc	5.0 <sup>r</sup>
prot	$11\,$	pisc	$2.5^s$
prot	670	pisc	4.4
roti	$40\,$	pisc	9.0
moll	2.5	amph	3.0
moll	3.0		

*Table A2. 9: Cadmium: selected data for fresh water*

All data originate from Appendix 2 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

- a: parameter growth for *C. reinhardtii*, geometric mean of 38 and 70 µg/l
- b: parameter growth for *C. pyrenoidosa*, geometric mean of 36 and 3100 µg/l
- c: lowest parameter (growth) for *C. vulgaris*
- d: parameter growth for *S. capricornutum*, geometric mean of 2, 4, 10 and 700 µg/l
- e: parameter growth for *S. minima*, geometric mean of 1, 3.3 and 3.3 µg/l
- f: parameter growth for *S. punctata*, geometric mean of 10, 10 and 3.3 µg/l
- g: parameter growth for *A. headleyi*, geometric mean of 54 and 17 µg/l
- h: parameter(reproduction) for *C. dubia*, geometric mean of 1.0, 0.33, 0.33, 0.1 and 1.1  $\mu$ g/l
- i: lowest parameter (growth) for *Daphnia magna*, geometric mean of 0.5, 1, 0.5, 1, 1.2, 1.2, 4.1, 2, 0.11, 1, 0.16, and 3.2 µg/l
- j: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *Daphnia pulex*, geometric mean of 0.03, 3.8, 7.5 and 7.5 µg/l
- k: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *M. macrocopa*
- l: lowest parameter (mortality/reproduction) for *C. riparius*
- m: lowest parameter (mortality) for *C. commersoni*
- n: parameter growth for *I. punctatus*, geometric mean of 20 and 12 µg/l
- o: lowest parameter (mortality) for *J. floridae*
- p: lowest parameter (growth) for *L. macrochirus*, geometric mean of 1100 and 31 µg/l
- q: geometric mean of 1.3, 2.6 and 2.6 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*
- r: lowest parameter (growth) for *Pimephales promelas*
- s: lowest parameter (growth) for *S. fontinalis*, geometric mean of 1.7, 1.1, 3.0 and 7.0 µg/l

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$
cyan	39	alg	3.4
alg	1.1	nema	500
alg	11	nema	5000
alg	11	nema	25000
alg	3.4	moll	5.0
alg	39	moll	110
alg	110	ann	320
alg	34	ann	$1000^a$
$\operatorname{alg}$	1100	ann	560
alg	1.1	ann	500 <sup>b</sup>
alg	11	ann	200
alg	3.4	crus	$2.1^\circ$
$\operatorname{alg}$	1.1	crus	1.1
alg	3.4	crus	320
alg	0.56	crus	5.0 <sup>d</sup>
alg	1.1	crus	$3.7^e$
alg	11	crus	5.1
alg	34	pisc	100
alg	3.4	pisc	45 <sup>f</sup>
alg	11	pisc	1000

*Table A2. 10: Cadmium: selected data for marine water*

All data originate from Appendix 2I in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: geometric mean of 1000 and 1000 µg/l, parameter reproduction for *Ctenodrilus serratus*

- b: geometric mean of 500 and 500 µg/l, parameter reproduction for *O. diadema*
- c: lowest parameter (growth) for *A. compressa*

d: lowest parameter (mortality) for *C. anthonyi*

e: lowest parameter (mortality) for *M. bahia*, geometric mean of 2.5, 0.6, 0.6, 4, 5, 25, 15 and 5.1 µg/l

f: geometric mean of 20 and 100 µg/l, parameter mortality for *M. cephalus*

*Table A2. 11: Chromium(III): selected data on terrestrial species*

group taxonomic	NO ÆС mg/kg ັ	taxonomic group	[mg/kg] <b>NOEC</b> . .
mac	$380^\circ$	ann	200 20

All data originate from Appendix 2II in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: geometric mean of 960, 200, 160, 720 and 350 mg/kg for grain species

b: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *Eisenia andrei*
process	NOEC $[mg/kg]$	process	NOEC $[mg/kg]$
aryl	3.9	phos	$1,300^e$
aryl	$1.5^a$	phos	320 <sup>f</sup>
aryl	94	phos	1300 <sup>g</sup>
aryl	160 <sup>b</sup>	phos	630
aryl	$4,600^{\circ}$	resp	$220^h$
nitr	120	resp	$140^{\rm i}$
nitr	27	resp	120
nitr	24	resp	240
nitr	22	ure	720 <sup>j</sup>
N-min	90	ure	1000 <sup>k</sup>
N-min	93	ure	$210^1$
N-min	120	ure	600
N-min	73	ure	31
phos	140	ure	79
phos	390	ure	90
phos	370	ure	24
phos	55	ure	120
phos	390	ure	11
phos	1300 <sup>d</sup>		

*Table A2. 12: Chromium(III): selected data on terrestrial processes*

All data originate from Appendix 2V in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: arylsulphatase, result from test with sandy loam with pH 5.1 with longest exposure

b: arylsulphatase, result from test with clay with pH 6.8 with longest exposure

c: arylsulphatase, result from test with sandy peat with pH 3.0 with longest exposure

d: phosphatase, result form test with sand with pH 7.7 with longest exposure

e: phosphatase, result form test with sandy loam with pH 5.1 with longest exposure

f: phosphatase, result form test with silty loam with pH 7.4 with longest exposure

g: phosphatase, result form test with clay with pH 7.5 with longest exposure

h: respiration, result from test with sandy loam with pH 5.1 with longest exposure

i: respiration, geometric mean of 100 and 210 mg/kg

j: urease, result from test with sand, with pH 7.7 with longest exposure

k: urease, result from test with silty loam, with pH 7.4 with longest exposure

l: urease, result from test with clay, with pH 7.5 with longest exposure

*Table A2. 13: Chromium(VI): selected data on terrestrial processes*

process	$\sim$ NI /kg ∼ $\sim$ . - $\sim$	process	$\mathbf{H}$ $\overline{\phantom{0}}$ N. /kg Æ $\mathbf{m}$
phos	$400^a$	phos	680 <sup>b</sup>

All data originate from Appendix 2V in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: geometric mean of 1000 and 2000 mg/kg

b: geometric mean of 480 and 960 mg/kg





All data originate from Appendix 2 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: geometric mean of 48 and 160 µg/l, parameter mortality/growth/reproduction for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$
bact	$570^{\circ}$	coel	1100
bact	380	roti	2000
cyan	83 <sup>b</sup>	moll	$110^h$
cyan	3300	crus	$44^{\mathrm{i}}$
alg	33 <sup>c</sup>	crus	$44^{j}$
alg	35	crus	20
alg	35	ins	1100
alg	110 <sup>d</sup>	pisc	4700 <sup>k</sup>
alg	580	pisc	290
alg	86 <sup>e</sup>	pisc	6700 <sup>1</sup>
alg	130 <sup>f</sup>	pisc	305 <sup>m</sup>
mac	100	pisc	520
mac	35 <sup>g</sup>	pisc	$1100^n$
mac	100	pisc	100 <sub>o</sub>
mac	100	pisc	10
prot	0.058	pisc	3500 <sup>p</sup>
prot	3200	pisc	1000 <sup>q</sup>
prot	9600	pisc	3500 <sup>r</sup>
prot	6400	pisc	100 <sup>s</sup>
prot	1000	pisc	190 <sup>t</sup>
prot	100	pisc	$110^u$
		amph	350 <sup>v</sup>

*Table A2. 15: Chromium(VI): selected data for fresh water*

All data originate from Appendix 2 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: geometric mean of 130 and 2500 µg/l, parameter mortality for *E. coli*

- b: geometric mean of 1.9, 200, 200, 350, 110 and 110 µg/l, parameter growth for *M. aeruginosa*
- c: lowest parameter (photosynthesis) for *C. pyrenoidosa*
- d: geometric mean of 110 and 110 µg/l, parameter growth for *S. pannonicus*
- e: geometric mean of 230 and 32 µg/l, parameter growth for *S. subspicatus*
- f: geometric mean of 180, 110, 200 and 70 µg/l, parameter growth for *S. capricornutum*
- g: geometric mean of 11 and 110 µg/l, parameter growth for *L. minor*
- h: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *L. stagnalis*
- i: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *C. dubia*, geometric mean of 32, 5.7, 65, 110 and 120  $\mu$ g/l
- j: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *Daphnia magna*, geometric mean of 18, 270, 350, 35 and  $2.9 \mu g/l$
- k: lowest parameter (growth) of the most sensitive life-stage(eggs) for *Brachydanio rerio*
- l: lowest parameter (growth) for *G. aculeatus*
- m: most sensitive life-stage (eggs)/parameter (growth) for *I. punctatus*
- n: lowest parameter (growth) for *J. floridae*
- o: lowest parameter (growth) of most sensitive life-stage (eggs) for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*, geometric mean of 200 and 51  $\mu$ g/l
- p: lowest parameter (mortality/growth) for *O. latipes*
- q: lowest parameter (mortality) for *Pimephales promelas*, geometric mean of 1000, 900 and 1100 µg/l
- r: lowest parameter (growth) for *P. reticulata*, geometric mean of 3500 and 3500 µg/l
- s: lowest parameter (growth) for *S. gairdneri*, geometric mean of 190 and 51 µg/l
- t: lowest parameter (mortality/growth) for *S. fontinalis*, geometric mean of 100 and 350 µg/l
- u: lowest parameter (growth) for *S. namaycush*
- v: lowest parameter (mortality) for *X. laevis*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$
alg	$400^{\circ}$	crus	88 <sup>d</sup>
ann	50	crus	$520^{\circ}$
ann	$57^{\rm b}$	crus	5200 <sup>f</sup>
ann	$25^{\circ}$	crus	1000
ann	500	crus	360
crus	770	crus	320

*Table A2. 16: Chromium(VI): selected data for marine water*

All data originate from Appendix 2I in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: geometric mean of 300, 600, 800, 1400, 350 and 60 µg/l, parameter growth for *S. costatum*

b: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *D. gyrociliatus*, geometric mean of 100 and 33 µg/l

c: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *N. arenaceodantata*

- d: most sensitive life-stage for *M. bahia*, parameter(reproduction)
- e: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *P. elegans*

f: geometric mean of 5200, 5200 and 5200 µg/l, parameter mortality for *P. varians*

*Table A2. 17: Cobalt: selected data on terrestrial species*

group taxonomic	$\sqrt{1}$ N <sub>O</sub> $\sqrt{2}$ $1 - \sim$ R5.  $\sim$ $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ ▱	
ann	240	

All data originate from Appendix 4 in van de Plassche et al. (1992).

process	NOEC $[mg/kg]$	process	NOEC $[mg/kg]$
resp	30 <sup>a</sup>	phos (acid)	$510^e$
resp	31 <sup>b</sup>	phos (alkaline)	650
resp	$62^{\circ}$	phos (alkaline)	380 <sup>f</sup>
resp	97 <sup>d</sup>	aryl	1300
N-min	160	aryl	210 <sup>g</sup>
N-min	180	aryl	$470^h$
N-min	250	aryl	1200
N-min	230	ure	130
nitr	32	ure	130
nitr	87	ure	110
nitr	77	ure	$34^{1}$
phos (acid)	1300	ure	67
phos (acid)	1200	ure	24 <sup>j</sup>

*Table A2. 18: Cobalt: selected data on terrestrial processes*

All data originate from Appendix 4 in Van de Plassche et al. (1992).

a: geometric mean of 0.93 and 930 mg/kg, process respiration in silt loam with pH 6.7.

- b: geometric mean of 1.7 and 570 mg/kg, process respiration in clay with pH 5.8.
- c: geometric mean of 3.4 and 1100 mg/kg, process respiration in silt loam with pH 7.2.
- d: geometric mean of 5.3 and 1800 mg/kg, process respiration in sandy loam with pH 8.2.

e: geometric mean of 1600 and 160 mg/kg, process acid phosphatase in loam with pH 5.8.

- f: geometric mean of 1200 and 120 mg/kg, process alkaline phosphatase in silty clay loam with pH 7.4
- g: geometric mean of 650 and 65 mg/kg, process arylsulphatase in soil with pH 7.6.
- h: geometric mean of 1500 and 150 mg/kg, process arylsulphatase in soil with pH 6.5.
- i: geometric mean of 87 and 13 mg/kg, process urease in soil with pH 7.8.

j: geometric mean of 77 and 7.7 mg/kg, process urease in soil with pH 7.4.

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$[\mu$ g/l] <b>NOEC</b>
cyan	500	crus	5.0
alg	58 <sup>a</sup>	p <sub>1SC</sub>	1100
alg	500		

*Table A2. 19: Cobalt: selected data for fresh water*

All data originate from Appendix 2 in van de Plassche et al. (1992).

a: geometric mean of 49 and 69 µg/l for *Chlorella pyrenoidosa*.

*Table A2. 20: Cobalt: selected marine data*

taxonomic group	NOEC <sub>F</sub> $\lceil \mu g/l \rceil$	taxonomic group	$\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$ $NOEC$ <sup><math>F</math></sup>
crus	10000	pisc	45000
crus	450		

All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1992).

*Table A2. 21: Copper: selected data on terrestrial species*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/kg]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/kg]$
mac	1500	ann	180
mac	1500	ann	61 <sup>d</sup>
mac	1500	ann	110 <sup>e</sup>
mac	$290^a$	ann	$26^{\mathrm{f}}$
nema	430 <sup>b</sup>	1ns	2800
ann	$94^\circ$	ara	180

All data originate from Appendix 2II in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: geometric mean of 350, 220, 180, 390 and 340 mg/kg, parameter growth for grain species

b: geometric mean of 300, 290, 1100, 810 and 190 mg/kg, parameter mortality for *C. elegans*

c: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *A. caliginosa*

d: lowest parameter (growth/reproduction) for *Eisenia andrei*

e: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *Eisenia fetida*, geometric mean of 35 and 380 mg/kg

f: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *L. rubellus*, geometric mean of 40 and 17 mg/kg

process	NOEC [mg/kg]	process	NOEC [mg/kg]
am	360	resp	$310^{\circ}$
eth	6.7	resp	520
eth	7.8	aryl	$13^d$
eth	11	aryl	$520^{\circ}$
eth	12	aryl	$370^{\rm f}$
eth	$11\,$	aryl	1800 <sup>g</sup>
eth	7.3	aryl	4700 <sup>h</sup>
eth	12	phos	$91^{\rm i}$
eth	8.2	phos	520 <sup>j</sup>
eth	13	phos	470 <sup>k</sup>
eth	11	phos	520 <sup>1</sup>
eth	11	phos	140 <sup>m</sup>
eth	11	phos	$17^n$
eth	12	phos	660
eth	14	phos	$220^{\circ}$
eth	14	phos	$650^p$
eth	11	phos	$81^{\rm q}$
eth	6.7	ure	$42^r$
eth	10	ure	180
eth	14	ure	440
nitr	310	ure	$350^{\rm s}$
nitr	36	ure	$290^t$
nitr	100	ure	$25^{\rm u}$
nitr	90	ure	$26^v$
N-min	250	ure	$78^{\rm w}$
N-min	310	ure	$60^x$
resp	21	ure	37 <sup>y</sup>
resp	9.8 <sup>a</sup>	ure	$10^{\rm z}$
resp	560 <sup>b</sup>	ure	$26^{aa}$
		ure	$14^{ab}$

*Table A2. 22: Copper: selected data on terrestrial processes*

All data originate from Appendix 2V in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

- a: respiration, result from test with longest exposure
- b: respiration, result from test with longest exposure
- c: respiration, result from test with longest exposure
- d: arylsulphatase, result from test with longest exposure
- e: arylsulphatase, result from test with longest exposure
- f: arylsulphatase, result from test with longest exposure
- g: arylsulphatase, result from test with longest exposure
- h: arylsulphatase, result from test with longest exposure
- i: geometric mean of 91 and 91 mg/kg
- j: geometric mean of 520 and 520 mg/kg
- k: geometric mean of 470 and 470 mg/kg
- l: geometric mean of 520 and 520 mg/kg
- m: geometric mean of 140 and 140 mg/kg
- n: phosphatase, result from test with longest exposure
- o: phosphatase, result from test with longest exposure
- p: phosphatase, result from test with longest exposure
- q: phosphatase, result from test with longest exposure
- r: urease, result from test with longest exposure
- s: urease, result from test with longest exposure
- t: urease, result from test with longest exposure
- u: geometric mean of 25 and 25 mg/kg
- v: geometric mean of 26 and 26 mg/kg
- w: geometric mean of 43 and 140 mg/kg
- x: geometric mean of 32 and 110 mg/kg
- y: geometric mean of 37 and 37 mg/kg
- z: geometric mean of 10 and 10 mg/kg
- aa:geometric mean of 26 and 26 mg/kg
- ab:geometric mean of 14 and 14 mg/kg

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$
bact	10	crus	5.0
alg	11 <sup>a</sup>	crus	$3.3^{i}$
alg	40 <sup>b</sup>	ins	20
alg	5.3	ins	34
alg	50	ins	$10^{\mathrm{j}}$
alg	330	pisc	$0.06^k$
alg	10	pisc	13
alg	10	pisc	43
alg	33 <sup>c</sup>	pisc	50
alg	64	pisc	35
alg	28 <sup>d</sup>	pisc	$9.5^1$
prot	3800	pisc	29 <sup>m</sup>
roti	20	pisc	37
moll	8.0	pisc	120
moll	17	pisc	$16^n$
moll	8.0	pisc	$22^{\circ}$
crus	15 <sup>e</sup>	pisc	$13^p$
crus	20 <sup>f</sup>	pisc	$3.4^{q}$
crus	$8.2^g$	pisc	22
crus	$1.7^h$	pisc	$10^{r}$

*Table A2. 23: Copper: selected data for fresh water*

All data originate from Appendix 2 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

a: lowest parameter (mortality/immobility, deflagellation, encysted cells) for *C. reinhardtii*, geometric mean of 5, 19, 12 and 14 µg/l

- b: lowest parameter (photosynthesis) for *C. pyrenoidosa*, geometric mean of 33 and 50 µg/l
- c: lowest parameter (photosynthesis) for *S. qaudricauda*
- d: geometric mean of 64, 15, 19, 24, 21 and 57 µg/l, parameter growth for *S. capricornutum*
- e: geometric mean of 0.25 and 20 µg/l, parameter reproduction
- e: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *C. dubia*, geometric mean of 12, 6. 3, 6.4, 23, 27 and 40 µg/l
- f: lowest parameter (growth) for *Daphnia ambigua*
- g: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *Daphnia magna*, geometric mean of 10, 11 and 5 µg/l
- h: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *Daphnia pulex*, geometric mean of 0.3 and 10  $\mu$ g/l
- i: lowest parameter (mortality) for *G. pulex*
- j: reproduction for *C. magnifica* geometric mean of 8 and 13 µg/l
- k: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *Brachydanio rerio*
- l: lowest parameter (growth) for *I. punctatus*, geometric mean of 9 and  $10 \mu g/l$
- m: lowest parameter (mortality) for *L. macrochirus*, geometric mean of 40 and 21 µg/l
- n: lowest parameter (growth) for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*
- o: most sensitive life-stage for *O. trutta*
- p: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Pimephales promelas*, geometric mean of 11, 11, 33, 3.1, 9.9, 31 and 20 µg/l,
- q: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *S. fontinalis*, geometric mean of 9, 9, 22, 1, 0.67, 2 and  $2 \mu g/l$
- r: most sensitive parameter (mortality/growth) for *S. vitreum*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$
cyan	5.0	alg	$6.4^h$
alg	64	alg	6.4
alg	130	alg	130
alg	6.4	coel	10
alg	250	coel	2.5
alg	2.5	coel	10
alg	17	moll	100
alg	0.64	moll	$10\,$
alg	250	moll	5.0
alg	$66^{\circ}$	moll	$0.5^{\rm i}$
$\operatorname{alg}$	64	moll	6.7
$\operatorname{alg}$	190	moll	10
alg	130	ann	50
alg	$110^b$	ann	$5.6^{j}$
alg	$10\,$	ann	100
alg	250	ann	100
alg	1.0	crus	$4.4^k$
alg	$6.4^c$	crus	0.2
alg	14 <sup>d</sup>	crus	60
alg	64	crus	$3.3^{1}$
alg	130	crus	$38^{\rm m}$
alg	$170^\circ$	crus	10
alg	$64^f$	pisc	$76^n$
alg	8.5 <sup>g</sup>		

*Table A2. 24: Copper: selected data for marine water*

All data originate from Appendix 2I in Crommentuijn et al. (1997a).

- a: geometric mean of 6.4, 64, 190 and 250 µg/l, parameter reproduction for *E. huxleyi*
- b: geometric mean of 64 and 190 µg/l, parameter reproduction for *H. carterae*
- c: geometric mean of 6.4 and 6.4 µg/l, parameter reproduction for *Peridinium* spec.
- d: geometric mean of 0.64, 64 and 64 µg/l, parameter reproduction for *Prorocentrum* spec.
- e: lowest parameter (growth) for *S. costatum*
- f: geometric mean of 64 and 64 µg/l, parameter reproduction for *S. tamesis*
- g: geometric mean of 0.64, 0.64, 6.4, 6.4, 6.4, 64, 64 and 64  $\mu$ g/l, parameter reproduction for *Synechococcus* spec.
- h: geometric mean of 0.64, 6.4, 6.4 and 64 µg/l parameter reproduction for *Thoracosphaera* spec.
- i: lowest parameter (mortality) for most sensitive life-stage (larva) for *M. edulis*
- j: geometric mean of 3.9 and 8 µg/l, parameter mortality for *N. arenaceodentata*
- k: lowest parameter (growth) for *A. compressa*, geometric mean of 5.2 and 3.7 µg/l
- l: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *C. anthonyi*
- m: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *M. bahia*
- n: lowest parameter (abnormalities) for *A. affinis*, geometric mean of 120, 63, 120, 68, 55 and 55 µg/l

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/kg]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/kg]$
mac	$750^{\circ}$	ann	$1400^\circ$
mac	1500	ann	240 <sup>d</sup>
mac	1500	moll	1000
mac	120	crus	40
mac	1500	1ns	1100
mac	120	ara	400
ann	450 <sup>b</sup>		

*Table A2. 25: Lead: selected data on terrestrial species*

All data originate from Janus et al. (2000).

a: geometric mean of 1100, 760, 700, 1200, 1100, 960 and 180 mg/kg, parameter yield for *Avena sativa*

- b: geometric mean of 740, 740 and 170 mg/kg, parameter reproduction for *Dendrobaena rubida*
- c: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *Eisenia fetida*, geometric mean of 2000 and 1000 mg/kg
- d: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *Lumbricus rubellus*

*Table A2. 26: Lead: selected data on terrestrial processes*

process	NOEC $[mg/kg]$	process	NOEC [mg/kg]
resp	240	nitr	1500
resp	200	glu-min	1400
resp	1200	cel-min	330 <sup>a</sup>
resp	2300	amy	1000
resp	190	cellu	1000
resp	15	dehy	490
resp	24	dehy	6200
resp	5200	dehy	7700
resp	1500	phos	$570^{\rm b}$
resp	1000	phos	$470^\circ$
resp	500	ure	$50^{\rm d}$
N-min	180	ure	49 <sup>e</sup>
N-min	570	ure	900 <sup>f</sup>
N-min	440	ure	580 <sup>g</sup>
N-min	340	ure	$250^h$
N-min	950	ure	$320^1$
am	1500	ure	890 <sup>j</sup>
nitr	380	ure	$94^k$
nitr	1000	xyl	1000
nitr	950		

All data originate from Janus et al. (2000).

a: geometric mean of 160, 180 and 1200 mg/kg

- b: geometric mean of 570 and 570 mg/kg
- c: geometric mean of 470 and 470 mg/kg
- d: geometric mean of 50 and 50 mg/kg
- e: geometric mean of 49 and 49 mg/kg
- f: geometric mean of 630 and 1,300 mg/kg
- g: geometric mean of 1,000 and 340 mg/kg
- h: geometric mean of 570 and 110 mg/kg
- i: geometric mean of 1000 and 100 mg/kg
- j: geometric mean of 890 and 890 mg/kg
- k: geometric mean of 94 and 94 mg/kg

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$
bact	1300	prot	70
bact	1800	moll	$12^b$
cyan	450	crus	26
alg	500	crus	$40^\circ$
alg	500	pisc	120
alg	1000	pisc	120
alg	500	pisc	250
alg	500	pisc	75
alg	$1300^a$	pisc	70
alg	10	pisc	120
alg	2100	pisc	41 <sup>d</sup>
alg	300	pisc	20
prot	220	pisc	39 <sup>e</sup>
prot	20	pisc	48 <sup>f</sup>
prot	1300	pisc	$240^{\text{g}}$

*Table A2. 27: Lead: selected data for fresh water*

All data originate from Janus et al. (2000).

- a: geometric mean of 1300, 1900, 3000, 500 and 1000 µg/l, parameter growth for *Scenedesmus quadricauda*
- b: lowest parameter (survival) for *L. palustris*
- c: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *Daphnia magna*, geometric mean of 1.0, 15, 250 and 670 µg/l
- d: lowest parameter (abnormalities) for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*, geometric mean of 190, 7.0, 8.0, 28, 250 and 60 µg/l
- e: lowest parameter (hatching/abnormalities/growth) for *Salvelinus fontinalis*
- f: lowest parameter (survival) for *Salvelinus namaycush*
- g: lowest parameter (survival/abnormalities) for *Stizostedion vitreum*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$
	60	moll	200
$\label{eq:1} \begin{array}{l} \mathop{\rm alg}\nolimits \end{array}$	9.0	moll	200
prot	150	crus	1000
coel	300	crus	10
ann	500	crus	17
ann	1000	crus	50

*Table A2. 28: Lead: selected data for marine water*

All data originate from Janus et al. (2000).

*Table A2. 29: Mercury, inorganic: selected data on terrestrial processes*

process	NOEC [mg/kg]	process	NOEC [mg/kg]
resp	79	resp	40
resp	9.0	resp	250
resp	99	am	6.0
resp	120	am	10
resp	12	nitr	6.0
resp	31	nitr	10
resp	35	amy	79
resp	40	phos	2400
resp	210	ATP	1.4

All data originate from Slooff et al. (1995).

*Table A2. 30: Methyl-mercury: selected data on terrestrial species*

group onomic	$\sim$ $-$ NI   ∼	
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All data originate from Slooff et al. (1995).





All data originate from Slooff et al. (1995).

- a: geometric mean of 5 and 25 µg/l, parameter growth for *Pseudomonas putida*
- b: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Tetrahymena pyriformis*
- c: geometric mean of 20, 40, 100, 20, 60 and 90 µg/l, parameter survival for *Viviparus bengalensis*
- d: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *Cyclops* spec.
- e: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *Daphnia magna*, geometric mean of 0.07, 1.7 and  $3 \mu g/l$
- f: most sensitive parameter (mortality) for *Daphnia similis*
- g: most sensitive parameter (mortality) for *Brachydanio rerio*
- h: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Pimephales promelas*, geometric mean of 0.63, 0.31, 0.26 and  $0.09 \mu g/l$

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$
alg	5.0	moll	1.0 <sup>c</sup>
alg alg alg alg	9.0	moll	$0.25^d$
	9.0	moll	2.0
	0.9	moll	4.0
	0.9	crus	2.0
prot	2.5	crus	4.9
coel	0.1	crus	0.8 <sup>e</sup>
ann	$10^a$	crus	6.0
ann	$71^{\rm b}$	pisc	$10^{\rm f}$

*Table A2. 32: Mercury, inorganic: selected data for marine water*

All data originate from Slooff et al. (1995).

- a: geometric mean of 10 and 10 µg/l, parameter reproduction for *Ctenodrilus serratus*
- b: geometric mean of 50 and 100 µg/l, parameter reproduction for *Ophryotrocha diadema*
- c: most sensitive parameter (hatching) for *Crassostrea virginica*
- d: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *Crepidula fornatica*
- e: geometric mean of 0.8 and 0.8 µg/l, parameter reproduction/mortality for *Mysidopsis bahia*
- f: most sensitive parameter (hatching) for *Fundulus heteroclitus*

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$	taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$
bact	0.2	pisc	0.17
prot	0.2	pisc	19 <sup>b</sup>
prot	14	pisc	0.07 <sup>c</sup>
plat	$0.03^a$	pisc	0.8
crus	0.09	D <sub>1</sub> SC	$0.15^{\text{d}}$

*Table A2. 33: Methyl-mercury: selected data for fresh water*

All data originate from Slooff et al. (1995).

a: most sensitive parameter for *Dugesia dorotocephala*

- b: geometric mean of 13 and 29 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Oncorhynchus kisutch*
- c: most sensitive parameter (mortality) for *Pimephalis promelas*
- d: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Salvelinus fontinalis*, geometric mean of 0.29 and 0.08 µg/l

*Table A2. 34: Methyl-mercury: selected data for marine water*

group taxonomic	$11 -$ $N\mathcal{C}$ $\blacksquare$ $\sim$ JЕC 110L .	
moll	- ∪.⊃	

All data originate from Slooff et al. (1995).

*Table A2. 35: Molybdenum: selected data on terrestrial processes*

process	NOEC [mg/kg]	process	NOEC $[mg/kg]$
N-min	480	phos	96
N-min	160	phos	96
N-min	160	aryl	240
N-min	48	aryl	140 <sup>b</sup>
nitr	48	aryl	$140^\circ$
nitr	160	aryl	1200
nitr	160	ure	480
phos (acid)	800	ure	240
phos (acid)	240	ure	240
phos (acid)	24	ure	$77^{\rm d}$
phos (alkaline)	800	ure	480
phos (alkaline)	$310^a$	ure	$110^e$

All data originate from Appendix 4 in Van de Plassche et al. (1992).

- a: geometric mean of 800 and 120 mg/kg, process alkaline phosphatase in silty clay loam with pH 7.4.
- b: geometric mean of 240 and 80 mg/kg, process arylsulphatase in soil with pH 7.6.
- c: geometric mean of 240 and 80 mg/kg, process arylsulphatase in soil with pH 6.5
- d: geometric mean of 240 and 25 mg/kg, process urease in soil with pH 7.8.
- e: geometric mean of 240 and 50 mg/kg, process urease in soil with pH 7.4.





All data originate from Appendix 2 in van de Plassche et al. (1992).

a: geometric mean of 1300 and 800 mg/l for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*





All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1992).

*Table A2. 38: Nickel: selected data on terrestrial species*

taxonomic, group	$\overline{\rm M}$ $\blacksquare$ $\sqrt{2}$ /ko ∽∟ $\sim$ $\sim$ 	
ann	ບຸ	
$\mathbf{r}$ and $\mathbf{r}$ $\sim$ $\cdot$ $\cdot$	$\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\mathbf{r}$ $\sim$ $\sim$	

All data originate from Van de Meent et al. (1990).

*Table A2. 39: Nickel: selected data on terrestrial processes*

process	/kg] $\sim$ NI $m\alpha$ 1118 $\overline{\phantom{0}}$	process	$\mathbf{H}$ N <sup>c</sup> $\sim$ $\sqrt{2}$ )⊦ kg $m\Omega$ ு ຼ
resp	$\sim$ ◡◡	ure	$\sim$ 26

All data originate from Van de Meent et al. (1990).

*Table A2. 40: Nickel: selected fresh water data*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$
bact	100000	alg	10000
bact	6000	alg	1300
bact	5000	prot	820
bact	130000	prot	42
bact	2.5	prot	140
cyan	25	crus	90
cyan		pisc	380 <sup>a</sup>
		pisc	104 <sup>b</sup>

All data originate from Van de Meent et al. (1990).

a: geometric mean of 380 and 380 µg/l for *Pimephales promelas*, parameter growth/survival

b: geometric mean of 62, 134 and 134 µg/l for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*, parameter growth/survival

*Table A2. 41: Zinc: selected data on terrestrial species*

taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/kg]	taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/kg]
mac	$280^a$	ann	$1200^{\circ}$
mac	$220^{\rm b}$	moll	380
mac	$210^{\circ}$	crus	510
mac	420 <sup>d</sup>		

All data originate from Janus (1993) and adapted Janus et al. (1996).

a: geometric mean of 340, 340, 320, 320, 280, 360, 340, 68, 340 and 340 mg/kg, parameter yield for *Medicago sativa*

b: geometric mean of 340, 340, 320, 320, 280, 360, 340, 68, 340, 340, 340 and 14 mg/kg, parameter yield for *Zea mays*

c: geometric mean of 340, 340, 320, 320, 280, 360, 340, 14, 68, 340 and 340 mg/kg, parameter yield for *Latuca sativa*

d: geometric mean of 160, 160, 550, 420, 740, and 1200 mg/kg, parameter yield for *Avena sativa*

e: geometric mean of 1300, 1300, 1300, 320, and 3200 mg/kg, parameter survival/growth/reproduction for *Eisenia fetida*

process	NOEC $[mg/kg]$	process	NOEC [mg/kg]
resp	89	glut	1600
resp	130	glut	500
resp	9.0	glut	270
resp	310	glut	1700
resp	240	amy	1300
resp	3800	cellu	1300
resp	270	phos	180
resp	250	phos	140
N-min	75	ure	30
am	1300	ure	27
nitr	130	ure	48
nitr	100	ure	47
nitr	180	xyl	1300
nitr	21		

*Table A2. 42: Zinc: selected data on terrestrial processes*

All data originate from Janus (1993) and adapted Janus et al. (1996).

*Table A2. 43: Zinc: selected data for fresh water*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$
alg	470 <sup>a</sup>	moll	25
alg	200	crus	$25^{\circ}$
alg	95	crus	37 <sup>f</sup>
alg	190	1 <sub>ns</sub>	12 <sup>g</sup>
alg	1000	pisc	1300
alg	250 <sup>b</sup>	pisc	44 <sup>h</sup>
alg	$15^{\circ}$	pisc	50
alg	390	pisc	$120^{1}$
alg	60	pisc	100 <sup>j</sup>
alg	1000	pisc	540
prot	$3.3^{d}$		

All data originate from Janus (1993) and adapted Janus et al. (1996), corrected for background in this report.

- a: geometric mean of 400 and 560 µg/l, parameter growth for *Chlorella vulgaris*
- b: geometric mean of 100, 230 and 700 µg/l, parameter growth for *Scenedesmus quadricauda*
- c: geometric mean of 5, 15 and 50 µg/l, parameter growth for *Selenastrum capricornutum*
- d: value corrected for background concentration  $(0.65 \mu g/l)$
- e: geometric mean of 25, 8, 25, 25, 50, 25, 25, 50 and 17 µg/l, parameter reproduction for *Ceriodaphnia dubia*
- f: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Daphnia magna*
- g: value corrected for background concentration (9.0 µg/l)
- h: geometric mean of 26 and 75 µg/l, parameter growth for *Jordanella floridae*
- i: most sensitive parameter(deformities) for *Pimephalis promelas*
- j: most sensitive parameter(survival) for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*, geometric mean of for background corrected values (320-30), (140-11) and (36-11) µg/l

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$
alg	100	alg	100
alg	15 <sup>a</sup>	coel	300
alg	$24^{\rm b}$	ann	320
alg	500	ann	100 <sup>g</sup>
alg	$35^{\circ}$	ann	100
alg	2700 <sup>d</sup>	ann	100 <sup>h</sup>
alg	100	moll	50
alg	15	moll	19
alg	10	moll	50
alg	100	moll	1000
alg	34 <sup>e</sup>	crus	440
alg	140 <sup>f</sup>	crus	18
alg	10	crus	120
alg	200	echi	10

*Table A2. 44: Zinc: selected data for marine water*

All data originate from Janus (1993) and adapted Janus et al. (1996).

a: geometric mean of 30, 7, 20, 7, 7, 20 and 40 µg/l, parameter growth for *Asterionella japonica*

b: geometric mean of 10 and 60 µg/l, parameter growth for *Chaetoceros compressum*

c: geometric mean of 40, 60, 10 and 60 µg/l, parameter growth for *Nitzschia closterium*

d: geometric mean of 10000, 4000 and 500 µg/l, parameter growth for *Phaeodactylum tricornutum*

e: geometric mean of 25, 50, 100, 20, 60, 7, 7, 30, 200 and 50 µg/l, parameter growth for *Skeletonema costatum*

f: geometric mean of 100 and 200 µg/l, parameter growth for *Thalassiosira pseudonana*

g: geometric mean of 100 and 100 µg/l, parameter reproduction for *Ctenodrilus serratus*

h: geometric mean of 100 and 100 µg/l, parameter reproduction for *Nereis arenaceodentata*

# **Appendix 3 Data for cyanides used for extrapolation**

### **Contents**



taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g/l \rceil$
bact	1.0	prot	270
cyan	70	crus	28
	270	pisc	8.8 <sup>b</sup>
alg alg	95 <sup>a</sup>	pisc	$12^{\circ}$
prot	1200	pisc	$5.5^{\circ}$
prot	1800	pisc	0.040

*Table A3. 1: Free cyanide: selected data for fresh water*

a: geometric mean of 30 and 300 µg/l for *Scenedesmus quadricauda*

b: most sensitive life stage (eggs) for *Lepomis macrochirus*

c: most sensitive parameter (egg production) for *Pimephales promelas*

d: most sensitive parameter (egg production) for *Salvelinus fontinalis*

*Table A3. 2: Free cyanide: selected data for marine water*

group	$11 -$ WI.	
crus	$\sim$ ≁	

All data are taken from the annex to this report





All data are taken from the annex to this report

a: in soil with 2.9% organic matter. No correction applicable for organic matter.

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
mac	770 <sup>a</sup>	crus	5.9 <sup>f</sup>
crus	$0.36^b$	mac	3700
pisc	$5.1^\circ$	1 <sub>ns</sub>	250
pisc	$77^{\rm d}$	ann	1200
pisc	1.1 <sup>e</sup>	pisc	400
		pisc	140
		pisc	300
		pisc	220
		pisc	490
		pisc	140 <sup>g</sup>
		pisc	270
		pisc	7.8
		pisc	75
		amph	280
		amph	230

*Table A3. 4: Thiocyanates: selected data for fresh water*

All data are taken from the annex to this report

a: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Lemna minor*

b: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *Daphnia magna*

c: most sensitive parameter (weight) for *Carassius auratus gibelio*

d: most sensitive life stage (juvenile) for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*

e: most sensitive parameter (time to first spawn, egg production) for *Pimephales promelas*

- f: geometric mean of 3.52, 1.9, 0.63, 14.57, 10.1, 1.42, 32.09, 19.32, 3.21, 57.4, and 3.02 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*
- g: geometric mean of 250, 177, 218, 264, 244, 191, 233, 250, 141, 83, 20.8, and 25 mg/l for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*

*Table A3. 5: Cyanide complexes: selected data for fresh water*

taxonomic group	NOEC <sup>r</sup> $\mu$ g/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
<sub>alg</sub>	0.026	p <sub>1</sub> sc	0.19
		p <sub>1</sub> sc	0.90

All data are taken from the annex to this report  $Na<sub>3</sub>[Cu(CN)<sub>4</sub>]$  was tested.

*Table A3. 6: Cyanide complexes: selected data for marine water*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg	0.031	alg	0.13
alg	0.031	alg	0.28
		moll	0.13
		moll	0.69
		crus	5.0
		crus	12

All data are taken from the annex to this report  $K_3Fe(CN)_6$  and  $K_4Fe(CN)_6$  were tested.

## **Appendix 4 Data for monocyclic non-halogenated aromatic hydrocarbons used for extrapolation**

## **Contents**



taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
bact	92	alg	$310^a$
alg	600	alg	460
prot	490	coel	34
prot	490	crus	$250^{\rm b}$
prot	390	crus	$68^{\circ}$
nema	78	crus	370
		crus	120
		crus	42
		ins	110 <sup>d</sup>
		ins	71
		ins	100
		ins	48
		ins	$10\,$
		ins	130
		ins	34
		moll	230
		moll	74
		pisc	$40^{\circ}$
		pisc	14
		pisc	390
		pisc	22
		pisc	$21^f$
		pisc	65 <sup>g</sup>
		pisc	$8.7^h$
		pisc	$9.0^{\mathrm{i}}$
		pisc	$10\,$
		pisc	$10\,$
		pisc	250
		pisc	$52^{\mathrm{j}}$
		pisc	100 <sup>k</sup>
		pisc	17 <sup>1</sup>
		pisc	12
		pisc	11
		pisc	13
		amph	190
		amph	370

*Table A4. 1: Benzene: selected data for fresh water*

All data originate from Knaap et al. (1988).

- a: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Chlorella vulgaris*
- b: geometric mean of 400, 203, 200, and 250 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*
- c: geometric mean of 305 and 15 mg/l for *Daphnia pulex*
- d: geometric mean of 59 and 200 mg/l for 3rd and 4th instar larvae of *Aedes aegypti*
- e: geometric mean of 46 and 34 mg/l for *Carassius auratus*
- f: geometric mean of 20 and 23 mg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*
- g: geometric mean of 33, 62, and 132 mg/l for *Leuciscus idus melanotus*
- h: geometric mean of 5 and 15 mg/l for fry (most sensitive life stage) *Oncorhynchus gorbuscha*
- i: most sensitive life stage (fry) of *Oncorhynchus kisutch*
- j: geometric mean of 32 and 84 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*
- k: geometric mean of 37, 420, and 64 mg/l for *Poecilia reticulata*
- l: geometric mean of 5 and 56 mg/l for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*

taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
alg	19 <sup>a</sup>	alg	180
alg	1.0 <sup>b</sup>	crus	92 <sup>d</sup>
alg	10	crus	110
crus	0.18 <sup>c</sup>	crus	18
		crus	44 <sup>e</sup>
		crus	380
		crus	96 <sup>f</sup>
		moll	920
		moll	170
		pisc	$22^{\rm g}$
		pisc	$22^h$
		pisc	$7.5^{\mathrm{i}}$
		pisc	40

*Table A4. 2: Benzene: selected data for marine water*

Data originate from van de Plassche et al. (1993) and Knaap et al. (1988).

- a: geometric mean of 10, 35, and 20 mg/l for *Skeletonema costatum*
- b: geometric mean of 0.1 and 10 mg/l for *Dunaliella tertiolecta*
- c: parameter mortality for larvae of *Cancer magister*
- d: geometric mean of 66 and 127 mg/l for *Artemia* species
- e: geometric mean of 27.0, 90.8, 74.4, 38.0, 33.5, and 33 mg/l for larvae/adult *Palaemonetes pugio*
- f: geometric mean of 82 and 112 mg/l for *Nitrocra spinipes*
- g: geometric mean of 20 and 25 mg/l for the most sensitive life stage (larvae) of *Clupea harengus pallasi*
- h: geometric mean of 20 and 25 mg/l for larvae of *Engraulis mordax*
- i: geometric mean of 5.8 and 9.6 mg/l for *Morone saxatilis*

taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/l]	taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/l]
bact	720	moll	9.6
bact	32	crus	12
bact	85	crus	9.5
bact	84	1ns	16
alg	87	1ns	12
$\label{eq:1} \begin{array}{l} \mathop{\mathrm{alg}}\\ \mathop{\mathrm{alg}} \end{array}$	45	pisc	4.9
	11	amph	13
fung	760	amph	13
prot	81	amph	15
coel	10		

*Table A4. 3: Benzene: selected QSAR data.*

*Table A4. 4: Toluene: selected data for terrestrial species*

group taxonomic	$\overline{N}C$ .OEC mg/kg	group taxonomic	lmg/kg 1H . N.
mac	14	ann	160

All data originate from Appendix 4 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
bact	20	crus	$35^{\rm b}$
bact	29	1ns	22
cyan	110	pisc	$170^\circ$
alg	250	pisc	43 <sup>d</sup>
alg	10	pisc	36 <sup>e</sup>
prot	140	pisc	18 <sup>f</sup>
crus	$0.53^{\text{a}}$	pisc	63 <sup>g</sup>
pisc	16	pisc	25
pisc	4.0	pisc	$32^h$
pisc	1.4	pisc	5.5

*Table A4. 5: Toluene: selected data for fresh water*

All data originate from van der Heijden et al. (1988).

a: lowest parameter (reproduction) for *Daphnia magna*

b: geometric mean of 3.8, 1.4, 60, 310, 470, 270, 11.5, and 14.9 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

- c: geometric mean of 70 and 422 mg/l for *Leuciscus idus*
- d: geometric mean of 58, 58, and 23 mg/l for *Carassius auratus*
- e: geometric mean of 55, 72, 28, 36, 18, 30, 34, and 42 mg/l for different life stages of *Pimephales promelas*
- f: geometric mean of 24 and 13 mg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*
- g: geometric mean of 59 and 68 mg/l for *Poecilia reticulata*
- h: most sensitive life stage (fry) of *Oyzias latipes*

taxonomic group	$NOEC$ [mg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
alg	10	alg	56
alg	10	crus	19 <sup>a</sup>
alg	10	crus	28
$\operatorname{alg}$	10	crus	13
pisc	3.2	crus	4.3
		crus	19 <sup>b</sup>
		crus	30
		crus	9.5
		crus	150
		pisc	$48^\circ$
		pisc	7.3
		pisc	6.8 <sup>d</sup>
		pisc	90

*Table A4. 6: Toluene: selected data for marine water*

All data originate from van der Heijden et al. (1988) and Appendix 3 van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: geometric mean of 59 and 33 mg/l for nauplii of *Artemia* species

b: geometric mean of 21.4, 20.2, and 14.7 mg/l for *Eualus* species

c: geometric mean of 13 and 180 mg/l for *Cyprinodon variegatus*

d: geometric mean of 6.41, 7.63, 8.09, and 5.38 mg/l for fry of *Oncorhynchus gorbuscha*

taxonomic group	$NOEC$ [mg/l]	taxonomic group	$NOEC$ [mg/l]
bact	270	moll	3.4
bact	15	crus	5.0
bact	41	crus	2.7
bact	39	1 <sub>ns</sub>	4.3
$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{alg} \\ \mathbf{alg} \\ \mathbf{alg} \end{array}$	38	1 <sub>ns</sub>	4.3
	16	pisc	1.7
	3.3	amph	4.7
fung	310	amph	3.3
prot	32	amph	5.2
coel	3.7		

*Table A4. 7: Toluene: selected QSAR data.*

*Table A4. 8: Ethylbenzene: selected data for fresh water*

taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
bact	6.0	alg	51
cyan	17	alg	63
alg	1.0	alg	4.6
prot	470	crus	16 <sup>a</sup>
prot	70	pisc	94
		pisc	97
		pisc	69 <sup>b</sup>
		pisc	$22^{\circ}$
		pisc	9.6
		pisc	4.2

All data originate from Appendix 2 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: geometric mean of 2.2, 75, 180, and 2.1 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

b: geometric mean of 32 and 150 mg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*

c: geometric mean of 42 and 12 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*





All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).





taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
alg	1.0	bact	9.2
prot	9.0	alg	4.7
		crus	6.7 <sup>a</sup>
		ins	1.6
		pisc	20
		pisc	19 <sup>b</sup>
		pisc	16
		pisc	35
		pisc	18 <sup>c</sup>
		pisc	21 <sup>d</sup>
		pisc	12
		pisc	$7.8^e$
		amph	73

*Table A4. 11: o-Xylene: selected data for fresh water*

All data originate from Appendix 2 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: geometric mean of 1, 3.8, 170, and 3.2 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

- b: geometric mean of 13, 16, 17, 37 mg/l for *Carassius auratus*
- c: geometric mean of 16 and 21 mg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*
- d: geometric mean of 16 and 27 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*
- e: geometric mean of 7.6 and 8.1 mg/l for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*





All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).





All data originate from Appendix 2 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: geometric mean of 4.7, 9.6, 14, and 170 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

b: geometric mean of 16, 17, and 37 mg/l for *Carassius auratus*





All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).





All data originate from Appendix 2 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: geometric mean of 3.6, 8.5, and 170 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

b: geometric mean of 18, 17, and 37 mg/l for *Carassius auratus*

c: geometric mean of 27 and 8.9 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*





All data originate from Appendix 2 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).





All data originate from Appendix 2 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: geometric mean of 23 and 180 mg/l for *Daphnia magna* (immobility/mortality)

b: geometric mean of 26 and 65 mg/l for *Carassius auratus*

c: geometric mean of 17 and 66 mg/l for *Leuciscus idus melanotus*

*Table A4. 18: Styrene: selected data for marine water*

group taxonomic	$\sqrt{1}$ $m\overline{2}$ M 250 T	taxonomic group	$)$ C50 [ mg/ $\blacksquare$ . .
crus	68	p <sub>1</sub> sc	L <i>,</i>

All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

*Table A4. 19: Phenol: selected data for terrestrial species*

taxonomic group	[mg/kg] <b>NOEC</b>	taxonomic group	[mg/kg] י ור м
mac	.60	mac	400

*Table A4. 20: Phenol: selected data for fresh water*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \text{mg/l} \rceil$
prot	65	alg	7.5
prot	33	crus	$0.84^{\circ}$
prot	140	crus	$0.28^{b}$
bact	64	pisc	$2.2^{\circ}$
bact	280	pisc	0.1
cvan	4.6	pisc	$0.75^d$

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: most sensitive parameter (survival) for *Ceriodaphnia dubia*

b: geometric mean of 0.16 and 0.5 mg/l for the most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Daphnia magna*

c: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Brachydanio rerio*

d: most sensitive parameter (growth) for eggs of *Pimephales promelas*

#### *Table A4. 21: Phenol: selected data for marine water*



All data are taken from the annex to this report.





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taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
prot	130	prot	210
prot	17	ins	34
prot	31	ins	50
bact	33	ins	80
cyan	6.8	ins	46
$\operatorname{alg}$	34	ins	$10\,$
alg	36	coel	75
$\operatorname{alg}$	11	ann	24
alg	65	ann	140
		ann	170
		moll	160
		crus	23
		crus	16
		crus	$13^a$
		crus	9.6
		crus	21
		pisc	24
		pisc	23
		pisc	21
		pisc	8.4
		pisc	$14^b$
		pisc	19
		amph	40
		amph	38

*Table A4. 23: o-Cresol: selected data for fresh water*

a: geometric mean of 9.2, 23.5, 14.5, 19, 17.9, and 5 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

b: geometric mean of 18.2, 12.6, 13.4, and 14 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*

*Table A4. 24: o-Cresol: selected data for marine water*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ <sup>r</sup> $\lceil \text{mg}/l \rceil$	taxonomic group	(E)C50F $\lceil \text{mg}/l \rceil$
bact	ı o a 10	echi	30
crus	◡	D <sub>1</sub> SC	$\overline{1}$

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 19, 11, and 25.9 mg/l for *Vibrio fisheri*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$
bact	1400	moll	19
bact	57	crus	24
bact	150	crus	20
bact	150	1 <sub>ns</sub>	35
alg	160	1 <sub>ns</sub>	24
alg	89	pisc	9.7
alg	24	amph	27
fung	1500	amph	27
prot	160	amph	31
coel	20		

*Table A4. 25: o-Cresol: selected QSAR data.*

*Table A4. 26: m-Cresol: selected data for terrestrial species*

group опонію	/lzor $\sim$ IΝ JH. . . $\mathbf{r}$ .	group $m_1 \alpha$ .a опоннс	$\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ 'K2 $m\alpha$ м 
mac	ΙV	mac	AOC 480

*Table A4. 27: m-Cresol: selected data for fresh water*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
prot	110	prot	130
prot	31	crus	17 <sup>a</sup>
prot	62	pisc	16
bact	53	pisc	18
cyan	13	pisc	8.9
alg		pisc	56

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 25, 8.9, 19.2, and 18.8 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

*Table A4. 28: m-Cresol: selected data for marine water*



All data are taken from the annex to this report.





*Table A4. 30: p-Cresol: selected data for fresh water*



All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 69 and 165 mg/l for *Tetrahymena pyriformis*

b: geometric mean of 4.9, 14, 7.7, 12.5, and 1.4 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

c: geometric mean of 7.5 and 7.9 mg/l for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*

d: geometric mean of 16 and 28.6 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*





a: geometric mean of 1.5, 2.3, and 2.3 mg/l for *Vibrio fisheri*

*Table A4. 32: Catechol: selected data for fresh water*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)$ C50 $\Gamma$ $\lceil \text{mg}/l \rceil$
bact	77 v. 1	p <sub>1</sub> sc	8.9
bact	4.0	pisc	ر. ر
prot	20		

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A4. 33: Catechol: selected data for marine water*

group taxonomic	/17 $\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ mg м	
bact	$\sim$ ىدر	

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A4. 34: Resorcinol: selected data for fresh water*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
pisc	າາ ے ر	crus	10
pisc	1.0	pisc	$\overline{\phantom{a}}$
		mac	140
		mac	170

All data are taken from the annex to this report.





All data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A4. 36: Hydroquinone: selected data for terrestrial species*

group taxonomic	<b>NOF</b> mg/kg JH	taxonomic group	<b>NOEC</b> mg/kg
mac	$760^{\circ}$	mac	890

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 1087, 893, and 446 mg/kg for *Triticum aestivum*

taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
prot	22	prot	73
prot	11	prot	37
prot	21	roti	0.24
bact	58	bact	83 <sup>a</sup>
cyan	$1.1\,$	bact	$34^b$
alg	0.93	fung	3800
		fung	2800
		fung	1000
		alg	50
		alg	0.30
		alg	0.34
		crus	$0.16^{\circ}$
		crus	0.16
		crus	0.070
		crus	0.10
		pisc	0.17
		pisc	0.15
		pisc	0.25 <sup>d</sup>
		pisc	0.044
		mac	43
		mac	7.7

*Table A4. 37: Hydroquinone: selected data for fresh water*

a: most sensitive parameter (luminescence) for *Beneckea harveyi*

b: two studies of 34 mg/l for *Escherichia coli*

c: geometric mean of 0.32, 0.29, 0.09, 0.12, 0.14, and 0.13 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

d: geometric mean of 0.097 and 0.64 mg/l for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*





All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 0.31, 0.038, and 0.072 mg/l for *Vibrio fisheri*

b: most sensitive life stage of *Artemia salina*

# **Appendix 5 Data for PAHs used for extrapolation**

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All data originate from Appendix 2 in Kalf et al. (1995)

a: most sensitive parameter (hatchability, growth) for *Pimephales promelas*

- b: geometric mean of 3400,16600, 2200, 22600 and 2200 µg/l, parameter survival/immobility for *Daphnia magna*
- c: geometric mean of 4700, 1000, 3400 and 3400 µg/l, parameter survival/immobility for *Daphnia pulex*
- d: geometric mean of 6100 and 2000 µg/l, parameter survival for *Pimephalis promelas*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	21	moll	2300 <sup>b</sup>
pisc	$260^a$	ann	3800
pisc	370	crus	3200
		crus	1400
		crus	2700
		crus	3800
		crus	$1900^{\circ}$
		crus	1100 <sup>d</sup>
		pisc	5300
		pisc	750
		pisc	$5100^\circ$

*Table A5. 2: Naphthalene: selected marine data.*

All data originate from Appendix 3 in Kalf et al. (1995)

a: geometric mean of 120 and 560 µg/l, parameter growth for *Oncorhynchus gorbuscha*

b: geometric mean of 2900, 2200 and 2000 µg/l, parameter survival for *Callinectus sapidus*

c: geometric mean of 1100, 2100 and 2800 µg/l, parameter survival for *Hemigrapsus nudus*

d: geometric mean of 1300 and 850 µg/l, parameter survival for *Neomysis americanus*

e: geometric mean of 4200, 5700 and 5500 µg/l, parameter survival for *Metapenaeus monocerus*





All data originate from Appendix 4 in Kalf et al. (1995)

a: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Avena sativa*





All data originate from Appendix 2 in Kalf et al. (1995)

- a: geometric mean of 1.5, 2.5, 2.3, 8.7 and 7.8 µg/l, parameter growth for *Selenastrum capricornutum*.
- b: geometric mean of 4.5, 2.2, 1.9, 1.1 and 0.63 µg/l, most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *Daphnia magna*.
- c: geometric mean of 1.3, 8.0, 3.8, 8.3, 2.8, 12, 18 and 26 µg/l, parameter survival for *Lepomis* spec.

*Table A5. 5: Phenanthrene: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	(E)C50 $\mu$ g/l
mac	600	crus	720 <sup>d</sup>
crus	22a ے د	crus	$410^e$
crus	60 <sup>b</sup>	pisc	250
pisc	$42^{\circ}$	pisc	30

All data originate from Appendix 2 in Kalf et al. (1995)

- a: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Daphnia magna*
- b: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Daphnia pulex*
- c: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Brachydanio rerio*, geometric mean of 32 and 56 µg/l
- d: geometric mean of 1200, 380, 840 and 700 µg/l, parameter survival/immobility for *Daphnia magna*
- e: geometric mean of 350, 730, 100 and 1140 µg/l, parameter survival/immobility for *Daphnia pulex*

*Table A5. 6: Phenanthrene: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	$\mu$ g/l NOEC <sup>r</sup>	taxonomic group	$L\mu g/L$ $L(E)C50$ <sup>r</sup>
crus	150	ann	600
		crus	$590^{\circ}$

All data originate from Appendix 3 in Kalf et al. (1995)

a: geometric mean of 680 and 520 µg/l, parameter survival/immobility for *Artemia salina*

*Table A5. 7: Fluoranthene: selected data for fresh water.*

group taxonomic	$\mu$ g/l] <b>NOEC</b>	taxonomic group	$11 -$ ug/ $\check{ }$
mac	200	p <sub>1</sub> sc	$\mathbf{a}$ 1 A

All data originate from Appendix 2 in Kalf et al. (1995)

a: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Brachydanio rerio*, geometric mean of 6.9 and 22 µg/l.

*Table A5. 8: Fluoranthene: selected data for marine water.*

group taxonomic	$11 -$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sqrt{ }$ , ug/ $-4.1$ DJU DDD	
ann	300	

All data originate from Appendix 3 in Kalf et al. (1995)

*Table A5. 9: Benzo[a]anthracene: selected data on terrestrial species*



All data originate from Appendix 4 in Kalf et al. (1995)

*Table A5. 10: Benzo[a]anthracene: selected data for fresh water*

group taxonomic	$11 -$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ ۱ı. м ∸	
crus	. C 1 V	

All data originate from Appendix 2 in Kalf et al. (1995)

*Table A5. 11: Chrysene: selected QSAR data*

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$	taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$
alg	6.9	1 <sub>ns</sub>	24
coel	21	pisc	9.0
moll	19	amph	23
crus	49	amph	3.6
crus	4.1	amph	22
1ns	4.6		





All data originate from Appendix 2 in Kalf et al. (1995)

a: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Brachydanio rerio*, geometric mean of 0.27 and 0.48 µg/l

*Table A5. 13: Benzo[a]pyrene: selected data for terrestrial species.*

taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/kg]	taxonomic group	<b>NOEC</b> [mg/kg]
ann	റ − $\mathsf{O}$ .	crus	
ann	$\sim$ $\angle 0$	crus	$Q \n6^a$ 7.U

All data originate from Appendix 4 in Kalf et al. (1995)

a: geometric mean of 11 and 8.3 mg/kg, parameter growth for *Porcellio scaber*

*Table A5. 14: Benzo[a]pyrene: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g/l \rceil$	taxonomic group	(E)C50 [μg/l]
pisc	0.3	alg	
		alg	IJ
		crus	

All data originate from Appendix 2 in Kalf et al. (1995)

*Table A5. 15: Benzo[ghi]perylene: selected QSAR data*

taxonomic group	NOEC <sup>F</sup> $\mu$ g/l	taxonomic group	$\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$ NOEC
crus		amph	1.U
1 <sub>ns</sub>	∠.∪		

*Table A5. 16: Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene: selected QSAR data*

taxonomic group	NOEC <sup>r</sup> $\mu$ g/l]	taxonomic group	$\mu$ g/l <b>NOEC</b>
crus	0.40	amph	0.30
1ns	-39 U.J		

## **Appendix 6 Data for halogenated aliphatic hydrocarbons used for extrapolation**

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taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
bact	68	bact	1100
cyan	53	bact	840
alg	360	alg	130
prot	470	crus	330 <sup>b</sup>
prot	560	pisc	1.8
prot	530	pisc	$490^\circ$
crus	11 <sup>a</sup>	pisc	130 <sup>d</sup>
pisc	29		

*Table A6. 1: 1,2-Dichloroethane: selected data for fresh water.*

All data originate from Appendix 2 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *Daphnia magna*

b: geometric mean of 160, 220, 540, and 600 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

c: geometric mean of 550 and 430 mg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*

d: geometric mean of 140 and 120 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*

*Table A6. 2: 1,2-Dichloroethane: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
ann	$200^a$	crus	170 <sup>b</sup>
		crus	170
		moll	190
		ann	400
		pisc	180
		pisc	120

All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: most sensitive parameters (mortality, % hatching) for *Ophiotrocha labronica*

b: geometric mean of 320 and 93.6 mg/l for nauplii of *Artemia salina*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$
bact	3200	moll	45
bact	110	crus	51
bact	280	crus	58
bact	300	1ns	110
alg	330	1 <sub>ns</sub>	56
alg	210	pisc	23
alg	65	amph	65
fung	3200	amph	84
prot	350	amph	76
coel	48		

*Table A6. 3: 1,2-Dichloroethane: selected QSAR data*

*Table A6. 4: Dichloromethane: selected data for terrestrial processes.*

process	NOEC [mg/kg]	process	NOEC [mg/kg]
$\beta$ -gluc	3.9	phos	3.9
$\beta$ -acet	3.9	phos diest	3.9
prot	3 Q		

All data originate from van Appendix 4 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).
taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
bact	2900	p <sub>1</sub> sc	$190^{\circ}$
alg	2300	p <sub>1</sub> sc	290
alg	.500	amph	18
crus	220		

*Table A6. 5: Dichloromethane: selected data for fresh water.*

All data originate from van Apeldoorn et al. (1988).

a: geometric mean of 310, 193, 99, and 220 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*

*Table A6. 6: Dichloromethane: selected data for marine water.*

group <b>,</b> OHOHII ( ww	117 $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ шջ	
pisc	າາດ <b>JJU</b>	

All data originate from van Apeldoorn et al. (1988).

*Table A6. 7: Trichloromethane: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
bact	63	alg	380
cyan	93	alg	410
alg	550	alg	440
alg	110	crus	$87^{\rm b}$
crus	$12^a$	pisc	100
		pisc	97
		pisc	75
		pisc	18
		pisc	92
		pisc	51
		pisc	$130^{\circ}$
		pisc	18

All data originate from Appendix 2 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: geometric mean of 15 and 9.7 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

b: geometric mean of 29, 79, and 290 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

c: geometric mean of 130, 170, and 100 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*





All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$
bact	1500	moll	20
bact	61	crus	25
bact	160	crus	21
bact	160	1 <sub>ns</sub>	37
alg	170	1 <sub>ns</sub>	25
alg	94	pisc	10
alg	25	amph	28
fung	1500	amph	29
prot	170	amph	33
coel	22		

*Table A6. 9: Trichloromethane: selected QSAR data*

*Table A6. 10: Tetrachloromethane: selected data for marine water.*

group taxonomic	/17 – $\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ mg/1 $\cup$ <sup>10</sup> м $\sim$ $\sqrt{2}$	taxonomic group	$11 -$ $\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ $m\mathcal{Q}$ м . .
pisc	r c ΟU	p <sub>1</sub> sc	rΩ 150

All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

*Table A6. 11: Vinylchloride: selected QSAR data.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$
bact	1800	moll	26
bact	62	crus	30
bact	170	crus	33
bact	170	1ns	60
alg	190	1ns	32
alg	120	pisc	13
alg	37	amph	37
fung	1800	amph	47
prot	200	amph	43
coel	27		

*Table A6. 12: Trichloroethene: selected data for terrestrial processes.*



All data originate from van Appendix 4 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/l]
bact	33	bact	190
cyan	32	crus	57
alg	180	crus	48 <sup>b</sup>
prot	600	crus	45
pisc	5.8 <sup>a</sup>	crus	200
		ins	48
		ins	55
		coel	75
		moll	56
		pisc	60
		pisc	28
		pisc	45
		pisc	$146^\circ$
		pisc	$44^d$
		pisc	42
		amph	48
		amph	45

*Table A6. 13: Trichloroethene: selected data for fresh water.*

All data originate from Appendix 2 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: most sensitive life stage (eggs) for *Jordanella floridae*

b: geometric mean of 7.8, 1300, 65, 21, and 18 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

c: geometric mean of 79 and 270 mg/l for *Oryzias latipes*

d: geometric mean of 41, 44, 45, and 47 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*





All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: most sensitive life stage (eggs) for *Ophryotrocha labronica*

*Table A6. 15: Trichloroethene: selected QSAR data.*

taxonomic group	$NOEC$ [mg/l]	taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$
bact	490	moll	6.2
bact	26	crus	8.8
bact	70	crus	5.1
bact	67	1 <sub>ns</sub>	8.2
alg	66	1 <sub>ns</sub>	7.8
alg	29	pisc	3.1
alg	6.3	amph	8.5
fung	540	amph	6.4
prot	56	amph	9.5
coel	6.7		

*Table A6. 16: Tetrachloroethene: selected data for terrestrial species.*



All data originate from Appendix 4 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).





All data originate from Appendix 2 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

- a: most sensitive life stage (eggs) for *Jordanella floridae*
- b: geometric mean of 8.5, 18 and 150 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*
- c: geometric mean of 17 and 18 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*





All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

## **Appendix 7 Data for halogenated aromatic hydrocarbons used for extrapolation**

## **Contents**





taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	$320^a$	alg	33000
pisc	2900	alg	50000
pisc	4800 <sup>b</sup>	crus	$6900^{\circ}$
		crus	7900
		pisc	11000
		pisc	4100
		pisc	16000
		pisc	22000
		pisc	4100
		pisc	660

*Table A7. 1: Monochlorobenzene: selected data for fresh water.*

a: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Daphnia magna*

b: most sensitive life stage (adult) for *Branchydanio rerio*

c: geometric mean of 4300, 13000, and 5810 µg/l for *Daphnia magna*





All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

*Table A7. 3: 1,2-Dichlorobenzene: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	$310^a$	alg	2200
		alg	17000
		alg	20000
		crus	1200 <sup>b</sup>
		pisc	10000
		pisc	6800
		pisc	5600

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

a: geometric mean of 505 and 185 µg/l for *Daphnia magna*

b: geometric mean of 780, 2350, 740, and 1700 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (immobility)

*Table A7. 4: 1,2-Dichlorobenzene: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [ $\mu$ g/l]
alg	7600	crus	15000
alg	7600	crus	$9700^a$
alg	7600	pisc	9700
alg	7600	pisc	7300
alg	7600		
moll	5000		

All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: geometric mean of 9400 and 10000 µg/l for *Palaemonetes pugio*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	$680^{\circ}$	alg	31000
pisc	1000 <sup>b</sup>	alg	23000
		crus	$3300^{\circ}$
		pisc	7800 <sup>d</sup>
		D <sub>1</sub> SC	5000

*Table A7. 5: 1,3-Dichlorobenzene: selected data for fresh water.*

a: geometric mean of 690, 650, and 690 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (reproduction)

- b: most sensitive life stage (adult) for *Pimephales promelas*
- c: geometric mean of 4200, 1200, and 7000 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (immobility)
- d: two studies of 7800 µg/l for *Pimephales promelas*

*Table A7. 6: 1,3-Dichlorobenzene: selected data for marine water.*

group taxonomic	117 $\sqrt{ }$ $\cap$ $\cap$ $\mu$ g/1 C50 м - ∸ ы	
pisc	7800	

All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

*Table A7. 7: 1,4-Dichlorobenzene: selected data for terrestrial species.*

group conomic tax	NC mg/kg •⊢≀	group axonomic	/kg ma м US U mo
mac	$\overline{\phantom{a}}$ υc	mac	1300

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

*Table A7. 8: 1,4-Dichlorobenzene: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg	570	alg	5200
crus	$300^a$	alg	31000
pisc	570	alg	20000
		crus	1500 <sup>b</sup>
		pisc	1180
		pisc	4300
		pisc	$3500^{\circ}$
		pisc	4300

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

a: geometric mean of 690, 650, and 690 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (reproduction)

b: geometric mean of 1600, 700, and 3200 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (immobility)

c: geometric mean of 4200, 2400, 4000, and 3600 µg/l for *Pimephales promelas* (adults and fry)





All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: geometric mean of 69000 and 60000 µg/l for *Paleomonetes pugio*





a: geometric mean of 5 and 20 mg/kg for *Lactuca sativa*

b: geometric mean of 362, 393, 83, and 675 mg/kg for *Eisenia andrei*

c: geometric mean of 310, 340, 122, and 695 mg/kg for *Lumbricus rubellus*





All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

a: geometric mean of 350, 2720, and 1450 µg/l for *Daphnia magna*





All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

*Table A7. 13: 1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene: selected data for terrestrial species.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/kg]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/kg]
mac	50	ann	200
		ann	250
		ann	130
		ann	180
		mac	240

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

*Table A7. 14: 1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg		alg	3900
crus	$190^a$	alg	6000
pisc	500	crus	1600 <sup>b</sup>
		pisc	$2800^{\circ}$
		pisc	2000
		pisc	6300
		pisc	3400

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

a: geometric mean of 360 and 100 µg/l for the most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Daphnia magna*

b: geometric mean of 1200 and 2100 µg/l for *Daphnia magna*

c: geometric mean of 2800 and 2900 µg/l for *Pimephales promelas*

*Table A7. 15: 1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene: selected data for marine water.*



All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

*Table A7. 16: 1,3,5-Trichlorobenzene: selected data for terrestrial species.*

taxonomic group	mg/kg N $\cdots$	taxonomic group	$\cap$ = $\cap$ mg/kg м ١ı
mac	م - ΟU	mac	٬^^ 020
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All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

*Table A7. 17: 1,3,5-Trichlorobenzene: selected data for fresh water.*

group tax опонне	117 $\mu$ g/l ٦L $\mathbf{r}$	group onomic	$\mu$ g
alg	$100\,$	n <sub>1</sub> nisc	3300

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

*Table A7. 18: 1,3,5-Trichlorobenzene: selected data for marine water.*

group taxonomic	117 $\Gamma$ N <sup>c</sup> ۱Н. $\mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}$ . .	
moli	000	

All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

*Table A7. 19: 1,2,3,4-Tetrachlorobenzene: selected data for terrestrial species.*

group taxonomic	NО /kg $\sim$ - $\sim$	group axonomic	$\overline{\phantom{0}}$ mg/kg м
mac	50	mac	160

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).





All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

a: geometric mean of 10 and 55 µg/l for the most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *Daphnia magna*

b: two studies of 1100 µg/l for *Pimephales promelas*

*Table A7. 21: 1,2,3,5-Tetrachlorobenzene: selected data for terrestrial species.*

group taxonomic	$\alpha$ $\alpha$ $\alpha$ (T) mg/kg м วเ ∸ — <i>1</i> ັ	
mac	∪.∪	

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

taxonomic group	$\mu$ g/l L(E)C50	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg	1600	p <sub>1SC</sub>	6400
alg	2500	pisc	800
alg	3000	p <sub>1SC</sub>	800
crus	$2400^a$		

*Table A7. 22: 1,2,3,5-Tetrachlorobenzene: selected data for fresh water.*

a: geometric mean of 9700, 1730, and 860 µg/l for *Daphnia magna*

*Table A7. 23: 1,2,3,5-Tetrachlorobenzene: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	117 $\mathbf \tau$ + $\mu$ g/l м .CSU + . .	
p <sub>1</sub> sc	3700	

All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

*Table A7. 24: 1,2,4,5-Tetrachlorobenzene: selected data for terrestrial species.*

taxonomic group	$\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ /kor mo, м 	
mac	£ ιv	
$\mathbf{r}$ and $\mathbf{r}$ . . $\sim$ $-1$	$\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$	

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

*Table A7. 25: 1,2,4,5-Tetrachlorobenzene: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	$\mu$ g/l $L(E)C50$ <sup>T</sup>	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg	5000	p <sub>1SC</sub>	300
pisc	200	p <sub>1SC</sub>	300
pisc	1600		

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).





All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

*Table A7. 27: Pentachlorobenzene: selected data for terrestrial species.*

group taxonomic	NOEC <sub>F</sub> mg/kg	taxonomic group	[mg/kg] $\Delta$ CCC <sup><math>\sim</math></sup> $\rightarrow$ $L(E)$ C $50$ F $\overline{\phantom{0}}$
mac	cΛ υc	mac	280

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

*Table A7. 28: Pentachlorobenzene: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	21a JI	alg	.300
pisc	34	crus	1300 <sup>b</sup>
		p <sub>1</sub> sc	250

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

a: geometric mean of 100, 31, and 10 µg/l for the *Daphnia magna* (reproduction)

b: geometric mean of 5300, 1250, and 300 µg/l for *Daphnia magna*

*Table A7. 29: Pentachlorobenzene: selected data for marine water.*



All data originate from Appendix 3 in van de Plassche et al. (1993).

a: geometric mean of 800 and 460 µg/l for the *Cyprinodon variegatus*

*Table A7. 30: Hexachlorobenzene: selected data for terrestrial species.*

group taxonomic	<b>NOF</b> $\sim$ $\mathbf{r}$ $\mathbf{v}$ ---- -	
mac	500	
4.11 <b>TT</b>	(1001)	

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

*Table A7. 31: Hexachlorobenzene: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	<b>NOEC</b> $\mu$ g/l	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg	. +	alg	30
crus	1.0		

All data originate from Hesse et al. (1991).

*Table A7. 32: 2-Chlorophenol: selected data for terrestrial species.*

group опонік	$\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$  - 116	
mac	220 ∠∠∪	

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 33: 2-Chlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	500	prot	$76000^a$
pisc	4000	bact	200000 <sup>b</sup>
		bact	700000
		bact	410000
		bact	170000
		bact	120000
		alg	170000
		alg	70000
		alg	50000
		alg	150000
		crus	$7000^{\circ}$
		crus	21000
		crus	5200
		crus	25000
		pisc	15000
		pisc	$14000^{\rm d}$
		pisc	$8100^\circ$
		pisc	$11000^{\rm f}$
		pisc	12000 <sup>g</sup>
		pisc	10000

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 68000 and 48000 µg/l for *Tetrahymena pyriformis*

b: geometric mean of 372000 and 104000  $\mu$ g/l for activated sludge bacteria

- c: geometric mean of 6300, 17900, 23000, 2600, 3900, 6200, 7400, 9000, and 3700 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (immobility/mortality)
- d: geometric mean of 12400 and 16000 µg/l for *Carassius auratus*
- e: geometric mean of 6600 and 10000 µg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*
- f: geometric mean of 12000, 14000, 11600, 14500, 9400, and 6300 µg/l for *Pimephales promelas*
- g: geometric mean of 13500, 11200, 7100, 20000, and 13800 µg/l for *Poecilia reticulata*

*Table A7. 34: 2-Chlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*

: group taxonomic	$\mu$ $\mu$ <sup><math>\mu</math></sup> CSU м	taxonomic group	$\mu$ g/l м
bact	$19000^a$	crus	5300

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report. a: geometric mean of 9300 and 39700 µg/l for *Vibrio fisheri*

*Table A7. 35: 3-Chlorophenol: selected data for terrestrial species.*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/kg]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/kg]
ann	210a 41 V	mac	$\sim$ $\sim$ ت ب
ann	410 <sup>b</sup>		

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 271, 160, 220, and 203 mg/kg for *Eisenia andrei*

b: geometric mean of 406, 305, 561, and 405 mg/kg for *Lumbricus rubellus*

*Table A7. 36: 3-Chlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
prot	$16000^a$	alg	50000
bact	67000	crus	16000
bact	450000	p <sub>1</sub> sc	15000
bact	30000	pisc	8200
alg	29000	D <sub>1</sub> SC	5500

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report. a: geometric mean of 14200 and 17300 µg/l for *Tetrahymena pyriformis*

*Table A7. 37: 3-Chlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*

group taxonomic	117 $\mu$ g/ וו	
bact	ـ 7000	

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	$200^a$	prot	37000
crus	300 <sup>b</sup>	bact	$100000$ <sup>c</sup>
		bact	400000
		bact	130000
		bact	20000
		alg	29000
		alg	$14000^d$
		alg	8000
		alg	75000
		crus	9000
		crus	4900 <sup>e</sup>
		crus	12000
		crus	10000
		crus	4600
		mac	55000 <sup>f</sup>
		mac	32000 <sup>g</sup>
		pisc	8700
		pisc	3800
		pisc	1900
		pisc	$5100^h$
		pisc	7800 <sup>i</sup>
		pisc	3800
		pisc	9000

*Table A7. 38: 4-Chlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

- a: most sensitive parameter (mortality) for *Ceriodaphnia dubia*
- b: most sensitive parameter (mean brood size) for *Daphnia magna*
- c: geometric mean of 155000 and 71000 µg/l for activated sludge bacteria
- d: geometric mean of 38000 and 5000 µg/l for *Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata*
- e: geometric mean of 6000, 2500, 8600, 8100, 4100, 4800, 7400, and 2300 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (immobility/mortality)
- f: geometric mean of 54000 and 56000 µg/l for *Lemna gibba*
- g: geometric mean of 25000 and 41000 µg/l for *Lemna minor*
- h: geometric mean of 4200 and 6200 µg/l for *Pimephales promelas*
- i: geometric mean of 6300, 7800, 8500, and 9000 µg/l for *Poecilia reticulata*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg	390 <sup>a</sup>	bact	6300 <sup>b</sup>
		alg	$6500^{\circ}$
		ann	$13000^d$
		crus	4600
		crus	$34000^e$
		crus	30000
		pisc	5400

*Table A7. 39: 4-Chlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: most sensitive parameter (total cell volume) for *Skeletonema costatum*

b: geometric mean of 4300 and 9100 µg/l for *Vibrio fisheri*

- c: geometric mean of 3300 and 13000 µg/l for *Skeletonema costatum*
- d: most sensitive life stage (7-d larvae) of *Platynereis dumerilii*
- e: geometric mean of 28000 and 42000 µg/l for *Mesidotea entomon*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
prot	8600	alg	5000
bact	55000	crus	$4000^a$
bact	130000	pisc	4700
bact	46000	p <sub>1SC</sub>	3500
bact	80000		

*Table A7. 40: 2,3-Dichlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report. a: geometric mean of 3100 and 5200 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (immobility/mortality)





Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 42: 2,4-Dichlorophenol: selected data for terrestrial species.*

group taxonomic	$\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ $\sqrt{ }$ /kg mp/ н تسعد	
mac	270	

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
prot	5800	prot	15000
prot	500	bact	50000 <sup>b</sup>
prot	1600	bact	75000
bact	6000	bact	54000
alg	2000	bact	78000
alg	3600	bact	20000
crus	$490^a$	bact	70000
pisc	290	fung	43000
		fung	17000
		mac	58000
		alg	9200
		alg	12000
		alg	14000
		crus	$3400^\circ$
		crus	7000
		crus	6600
		pisc	4300 <sup>d</sup>
		pisc	13000 <sup>e</sup>
		pisc	2800 <sup>f</sup>
		pisc	4700 <sup>g</sup>
		pisc	1700 <sup>h</sup>
		pisc	$1300^1$
		pisc	4800 <sup>1</sup>
		pisc	1700

*Table A7. 43: 2,4-Dichlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 320 and 740 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (reproduction/mortality)

b: geometric mean of 53000 and 47000  $\mu$ g/l for activated sludge bacteria

- c: geometric mean of 1400, 3900, 11000, 2700, 2600, 2600, 6000, and 2600 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (immobility/mortality)
- d: geometric mean of 3900 and 4800 µg/l for *Brachydanio rerio*
- e: geometric mean of 7800 and 23000 µg/l for *Carassius auratus*
- f: geometric mean of 4000 and 2000 µg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*
- g: geometric mean of 5000 and 4500 µg/l for *Leuciscus idus melanotus*
- h: geometric mean of 2600 and 1160 µg/l for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*
- i: geometric mean of 8.39, 7700, 7800, and 6500 µg/l for *Pimephales promelas*
- j: geometric mean of 5900, 4200, 3300, 3500, 5500, and 7600 µg/l for *Poecilia reticulata*





- a: 7 d-old embryos of *Phyllospora comosa*, no NOEC could be established for zygotes
- b: most sensitive life stage (10 mm) for *Allorchestes compressa*
- c: geometric mean of 5800 and 5000 µg/l for *Vibrio fisheri*

*Table A7. 45: 2,5-Dichlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
prot	2000	crus	4900
bact	50000	p <sub>1</sub> sc	3100
bact	85000	p <sub>1</sub> sc	2800
bact	50000		

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 46: 2,6-Dichlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
prot	20000	prot	26000
		prot	30000
		bact	65000
		bact	550000
		bact	120000
		bact	130000
		alg	9700
		alg	29000
		crus	$9400^a$
		crus	26000
		crus	17000
		pisc	7300
		pisc	8200 <sup>b</sup>
		pisc	$3700^{\circ}$
		pisc	4000

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 3400, 9400, 20000, and 12200 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (immobility/mortality)

b: geometric mean of 3900, 7800, and 17900 µg/l for *Poecilia reticulata*

c: geometric mean of 3500 and 4000 µg/l for *Leuciscus idus melanotus*

*Table A7. 47: 2,6-Dichlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*



Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 48: 3,4-Dichlorophenol: selected data for terrestrial species.*

group conomic tax	$\mathbf -$ mg/kg ь 70 - $\sim$	group taxonomic	mg/kg м $\sim$
ann	$300^{\circ}$	ann	600 <sup>b</sup>

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 271, 212, 393, and 362 mg/kg for *Eisenia andrei*

b: geometric mean of 436, 398, 797, and 951 mg/kg for *Lumbricus rubellus*

*Table A7. 49: 3,4-Dichlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
prot	3000	alg	3200
bact	43000	crus	2800
bact	52000	pisc	1700
bact	20000	pisc	1100

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.





Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 9300 and 1700 µg/l for *Vibrio fisheri*





Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 52: 3,5-Dichlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
prot	4500	crus	4100
bact	$26000^{\rm a}$	crus	4200
bact	25000	crus	4200
bact	10000	pisc	1700
alg	2300	pisc	$3200^{\circ}$
crus	2400 <sup>b</sup>	pisc	1800

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: Geometric mean of 12000 and 58000 µg/l for activated sludge bacteria

b: Geometric mean of 2800 and 2100 µg/l for *Daphnia magna*

c: Geometric mean of 4700, 2700 and 2600 for *Poecilia reticulata*

taxonomic group	$[\mu$ g/l] (E)C50	taxonomic group	$[\mu g/l]$ E)C50 [
bact	3200	crus	.500
crus	8900	ann	$1900^{\rm a}$

*Table A7. 53: 3,5-Dichlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report. a: most sensitive life stage(7-d-old larvae) for *Platynereis dumerilii*

*Table A7. 54: 2,3,4-Trichlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
bact	27000	crus	2200
bact	13000	pisc	1900
bact	40000	p <sub>1SC</sub>	1200
alg	2000		

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 55: 2,3,4-Trichlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	$\overline{\phantom{0}}$ $\mu$ g/ יי м	taxonomic group	$\mu$ g/ ١L n
bact	600	crus	2000
$\sim$	---- .	$\sim$	

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 56: 2,3,5-Trichlorophenol: selected data for terrestrial species.*

taxonomic group	$\lceil$ mg/ $\lg$ NO ЭEC	taxonomic group	$\lceil \text{mg/kg} \rceil$ 250 $\mathbf{u}$
mac	1 U	mac	⋯

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 57: 2,3,5-Trichlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [ $\mu$ g/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [ $\mu$ g/l]
prot	840	pisc	1400
bact	22000	pisc	$1900^a$
bact	10000	pisc	600
bact	20000	pisc	800
crus	2300		

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean 4700, 1600, and 880 µg/l for *Poecilia reticulata*

*Table A7. 58: 2,3,5-Trichlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*

group taxonomic	$\mu$ g/	taxonomic group	. ug/ м
bact	1400	crus	2700

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
bact	39000	pisc	$4000^a$
bact	190000	pisc	2900
crus	7400	pisc	5400
pisc	7500		

*Table A7. 59: 2,3,6-Trichlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

a: geometric mean 13300, 5100, and 950 µg/l for *Poecilia reticulata*

*Table A7. 60: 2,3,6-Trichlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*

group taxonomic	$11 -$ $\mu$ g/ м US U	taxonomic group	$\mu$ g/l $ C50\rangle$ . .
bact	3000	crus	2700

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 61: 2,4,5-Trichlorophenol: selected data for terrestrial species.*

taxonomic group	[mg/kg] $\mathbf{F}$ м ČU	taxonomic group	[mg/kg] $\mathbf{M}$ н יור
ann	$1$ $\Omega$ 1 I V	ann	540 <sup>b</sup>

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 105, 78, 125, and 124 mg/kg for *Eisenia andrei*

b: geometric mean of 561, 447, 518, and 635 mg/kg for *Lumbricus rubellus*

*Table A7. 62: 2,4,5-Trichlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
pisc	160	prot	1600
		bact	24000
		bact	12000
		bact	8300
		bact	20000
		crus	$1700^a$
		pisc	1300
		pisc	450
		pisc	740 <sup>b</sup>
		pisc	$950^{\circ}$
		pisc	1500 <sup>d</sup>
		pisc	1700
		pisc	900

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 900, 1300, 2100, 1200, 2700, and 3500 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (immobility/mortality)

b: geometric mean of 1000, 400, and 1000 for *Leuciscus idus*

c: geometric mean of 1270, 900, and 740 for *Pimephales promelas*

d: geometric mean of 990, 1200, and 3100 for *Poecilia reticulata*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)$ C50 [ $\mu$ g/l]
bact	1200	crus	3800
alg	990	p <sub>1</sub> sc	700
ann	$2600^a$		

*Table A7. 63: 2,4,5-Trichlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report. a: most sensitive life stage (embryos) of *Platynereis dumerilii*

*Table A7. 64: 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol: selected data for terrestrial species.*



Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 270 and 500 mg/kg for *Avena sativa*

b: geometric mean of 86 and 160 mg/kg for *Lactuca sativa*

c: geometric mean of 270 and 500 mg/kg for *Lycopersicum esculentum*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	650	prot	$6200^{\overline{b}}$
pisc	180 <sup>a</sup>	bact	42000
pisc	970	bact	240000
		bact	38000
		bact	43000
		bact	170000
		alg	10000
		alg	5600
		alg	3500
		crus	$2400^\circ$
		crus	7500
		crus	3900
		pisc	2500
		pisc	2200
		pisc	$360^{\rm d}$
		pisc	730
		pisc	$5900^e$
		pisc	1800 <sup>f</sup>

*Table A7. 65: 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: most sensitive parameter (growth) for fry of *Jordanella floridae*

b: geometric mean of 4000, 7700, and 7800 µg/l for *Tetrahymena pyriformis*

- c: geometric mean of 2200, 5500, 6000, 690, and 1700 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (immobility/mortality)
- d: geometric mean of 410 and 320 µg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*
- e: geometric mean of 9200, 2740, 9200, 4900, and 6100 for *Pimephales promelas*
- f: geometric mean of 610, 890, 2300, and 7900 for *Poecilia reticulata*

*Table A7. 66: 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*



Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 67: 3,4,5-Trichlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
bact	20000	p <sub>1</sub> sc	1000
bact	5000	p <sub>1</sub> sc	$1400^{\text{a}}$
crus	900		

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 2400, 1100, and 1100 for *Poecilia reticulata*

*Table A7. 68: 3,4,5-Trichlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	117 $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ $\mu$ <sup>2</sup> /1 ŪЭU м	
bact	380	

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 69: 2,3,4,5-Tetrachlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [ $\mu$ g/l]
prot	450	crus	1800
bact	20000	pisc	880
bact	4000	pisc	420 <sup>a</sup>
bact	10000	pisc	$920^b$
bact	12000	D <sub>1</sub> SC	210

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 440, 400, 410, and 440 µg/l for *Pimephales promelas*

b: geometric mean of 2300, 770, and 440 µg/l for *Poecilia reticulata*

*Table A7. 70: 2,3,4,5-Tetrachlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*

group onomic taxo	$11 -$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ $\mathsf{u}\mathsf{g}$ ь '' $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ -	
bact	$\bigcap$ 1 $\bigcap$ 210	

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 71: 2,3,4,5-Tetrachlorophenol: selected data for terrestrial species.*

group taxonomic	mg/kg  ١U ر ب	taxonomic group	$\lceil$ mg/kg $\rceil$ C50. м
ann	$290^{\circ}$	ann	400 <sup>r</sup>

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 272 and 316 mg/kg for *Eisenia andrei*

b: geometric mean of 1434 and 1392 mg/kg for *Lumbricus rubellus*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	650	bact	40000
		prot	1400
		roti	5200
		roti	960
		alg	10000
		alg	1300
		crus	690 <sup>a</sup>
		crus	580
		crus	2300
		crus	1400
		pisc	140
		pisc	1000
		pisc	$1100^b$
		pisc	750
		pisc	1000
		pisc	500

*Table A7. 72: 2,3,4,6-Tetrachlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

a: geometric mean of 2660, 290, 180, and 1600 µg/l for *Daphnia magna*

b: geometric mean of 340, 1100, and 3700 µg/l for *Poecilia reticulata*

*Table A7. 73: 2,3,4,6-Tetrachlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*

group taxonomic	$\mu$ g/ $\sim$ 30 $\pm$	taxonomic group	$11 -$ $-1030$ $-11$ ug/
bact	1500	crus	$2000^a$

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 11800 and 11900 µg/l for *Crangon septemspinosa*





Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

- a: most sensitive life stage (fry) for *Jordonella floridae*
- b: geometric mean of 1400 and 1100 µg/l for *Tetrahymena pyriformis*
- c: geometric mean of 2300 and 570 µg/l for *Daphnia magna*
- d: geometric mean of 3900, 1400, 390, 3700, 1100, and 340 µg/l for *Poecilia reticulata*

*Table A7. 75: 2,3,5,6-Tetrachlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*

group taxonomic	$\mu$ g/' м $\sim$ 30 $\degree$	taxonomic group	$11 -$ $\triangle$ )C50 $\Gamma$ $\mu$ g/ $\sqrt{2}$
bact	2500	p <sub>1</sub> sc	1900

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/kg]$	taxonomic group	$(E)$ C50 [mg/kg]
mac	$1.6^a$	mac	$12^{\circ}$
mac	18	ann	78 <sup>d</sup>
bact	190	ann	$150^\circ$
ann	1 <sub>b</sub>	ann	$400^{\rm t}$

*Table A7. 76: Pentachlorophenol: selected data for terrestrial species.*

- a: geometric mean of 1.6 and 1.7 mg/kg for *Lactuca sativa*
- b: geometric mean of 10, 12.5, 25, 11.2, 7, and 5.6 mg/kg for reproduction or cocoon hatchability of *Eisenia fetida/andrei*
- c: geometric mean of 16, 40, and 3.7 mg/kg for growth of *Lactuca sativa*
- d: geometric mean of 322, 102, 233, 227, 87, 37, 80, 260, 28, 72, 19, and 12 mg/kg for *Eisenia fetida/andrei*
- e: two values of 136 mg/kg for *Enchytraeus albidus*

f: geometric mean of 1473, 447, 1661, and 3259 mg/kg for *Lumbricus rubellus*

*Table A7. 77: Pentachlorophenol: selected data for terrestrial processes.*

process	NOEC $[mg/kg]$	process	NOEC [mg/kg]
$H_2$ -oxy	59 <sup>a</sup>	ac-min	570
ATP	6.5	bio C	2.0 <sup>a</sup>
ATP	6.5	dehy	2.0 <sup>a</sup>
ac-min	840	ure	2.0 <sup>a</sup>
ac-min	170	nit-red	2.0 <sup>a</sup>
ac-min	4000	nitr	18
ac-min	24	nitr	40
ac-min	3800 <sup>b</sup>	nitr	17
ac-min	240 <sup>b</sup>	resp	420
ac-min	210	resp	170
ac-min	1500	$N_2$ -fix	50
ac-min	1300		

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: calculated from ECx value (50-80%) divided by a factor of 10

b: lowest NOEC for same soil but different exposure times for acetate mineralisation

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$	taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$
bact	1000	ins	3200
prot	80 <sup>a</sup>	coel	32
roti	200	moll	$3.2^d$
cyan	1000	moll	50
alg	30 <sup>a</sup>	pisc	$55^{\circ}$
alg	100	pisc	$32^{\rm f}$
alg	$135^{\rm b}$	pisc	100 <sup>g</sup>
mac	1000	pisc	28 <sup>h</sup>
crus	$130^\circ$	pisc	8.9
crus	23	amph	32
crus	23		

*Table A7. 78: Pentachlorophenol: selected data for fresh water.*

Data originate from Janus et al. (1991); additional data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: for protozoa and algae the lower NOEC values determined after 48 and 72 h are preferred above NOECs from longer exposure periods, which might be affected by growth of the organisms

b: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Scenedesmus subspicatus*

- c: geometric mean 180 and 100 µg/l for most sensitive parameter (mortality) for *Daphnia magna*
- d: lowest NOEC for *Lymnea stagnalis* after 7 d of exposure instead of 40 d
- e: most sensitive life stage (eggs) for *Jordanella floridae*
- f: most sensitive parameter (mortality) for eggs of *Jordanella floridae*
- g: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Poecilia reticulata*
- h: geometric mean 36, 6, 45, and 66 µg/l for *Pimephales promelas*

*Table A7. 79: Pentachlorophenol: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$
alg	500	crus	100
alg	125	ann	$2^a$
alg alg	500	ann	84 <sup>b</sup>
	250	pisc	10
crus	5800	pisc	10
crus	100	pisc	47

a: most sensitive parameter/life stage (mortality in egg mass, reproduction potential) for *Ophryotrocha diadema*

b: geometric mean of 156 and 45 µg/l for *Arenicola cristata*





All data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 81: 1-Chloronaphthalene: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [ $\mu$ g/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
bact	700	crus	370
alg	100	p <sub>1</sub> sc	l 300 $^{\rm b}$
crus	$100^a$		

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 780, 1800, and 910 µg/l for different life stages of *Artemia salina*

b: geometric mean of 690 and 2400 µg/l for *Cyprinodon variegatus*





All data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A7. 83: 2-Chloronaphthalene: selected data for marine water.*

group taxonomic	$11 -$ $\mu$ <sup>2</sup> יי	
crus	2300	

All data are taken from the annex to this report.





All data originate from Appendix 2 in Van Wezel et al. (1999a).

## **Appendix 8 Data for pesticides used for extrapolation**

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*Table A8. 1: DDT: selected data for terrestrial species.*

group taxonomic	$\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ /kg $m\mathbf{g}/$ n المستعد ັ	
1ns	Λä 1 Ο	

a: geometric mean of 22, 7.4, 12, 0.8, 35, 29.4, 17.3, 4.7, 7.4, 10.9, 11.4, and 12 mg/kg, parameter mortality for *Gryllus pennsylvanicus*

taxonomic group	NOEC [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	$0.050^{a}$	crus	4.0
pisc	0.35	crus	15
		crus	$1.2^b$
		crus	$0.63^c$
		crus	1.7 <sup>d</sup>
		crus	$3.0^e$
		crus	$28\,$
		crus	$2.6^{\rm f}$
		ins	$17\,$
		ins	$7.4\,$
		ins	4.7
		ins	$3.5\,$
		ins	$1.2\,$
		ins	$1.2\,$
		ins	$20\,$
		ins	32
		ins	$1.5\,$
		ins	1.9
		ins	$7.0\,$
		ins	$1.6\,$
		pisc	17 <sup>g</sup>
		pisc	9.7
		pisc	2.7
		pisc	$27\,$
		pisc	4.9 <sup>h</sup>
		pisc	$14^i$
		pisc	$8.9^{\mathrm{j}}$
		pisc	$7.4^k$
		pisc	$8.7^{\rm l}$
		pisc	1.7 <sup>m</sup>
		pisc	5.8
		pisc	9.0
		pisc	$12^n$
		pisc	5.6
		pisc	$3.9^\mathrm{o}$
		pisc	$6.4^{\rm p}$
		pisc	$8.8^{\rm q}$
		pisc	$1.8\,$
		pisc	$1.8\,$
		pisc	12
		pisc	$3.7^r$
		pisc	$11^{\rm s}$
		pisc	$16$
		amph	$30\,$

*Table A8. 2: DDT: selected data for fresh water*

a: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *Daphnia magna*

b: geometric mean of 4.7, 1.1, 1.1, 1.3, 0.5, 0.68 and 1.2 µg/l, parameter mortality/immobility for *Daphnia magna*

c: geometric mean of 1.1 and 0.36 µg/l, parameter immobility for *Daphnia pulex*

d: geometric mean of 0.8, 1.8 and 3.2 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Gammarus fasciatus*

- e: geometric mean of 1 and 9 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Gammarus lacustris*
- f: geometric mean of 2.5 and 2.8 µg/l, parameter immobility for *Simocephalus serrulatus*
- g: geometric mean of 15.5, 14.7 and 21 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Carassius auratus*
- h: geometric mean of 5.1 and 4.8 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Ictalurus melas*
- i: geometric mean of 21.5, 17.3, 6.9, 22, 16, 7 and 16 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Ictalurus punctatus*
- j: geometric mean of 6.5, 10.9 and 9.9 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Lepomis cyanellus*
- k: geometric mean of 7, 8.6, 6.3, 4.3, 5.8, 8 and 16 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Lepomis macrochirus*
- l: geometric mean of 5 and 15 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Lepomis microlophus*
- m: geometric mean of 1.5 and 2.0 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Micropterus salmoides*
- n: geometric mean of 12.4, 13.2, 19, 21, 8.6 and 5.3 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Pimephales promelas*
- o: geometric mean of 5.5, 7.9 and 1.4 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Oncorhynchus clarki*
- p: geometric mean of 7, 9.6, 2.4, 18, 1.7, 8.7, 7.6, 4.7 and 11.4 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*
- q: geometric mean of 4 and 19.3 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Salmo kisutch*
- r: geometric mean of 2.9 and 4.6 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Stizostedion vitrium*
- s: geometric mean of 5.1, 14 and 17 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Tilapia mossambica*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg	$2.0^{a}$	alg	10
alg	1.0 <sup>b</sup>	alg	10
alg	0.50	alg	30
alg	$\boldsymbol{8.0}$	alg	20
$\operatorname{alg}$	$1.0^{\rm c}$	crus	14
$\operatorname{alg}$	$25\,$	crus	10
pisc	33	crus	1.1
		crus	0.40
		crus	3.8
		crus	0.45
		crus	30
		crus	$0.80\,$
		crus	$10\,$
		crus	0.60
		crus	0.70
		moll	9.0
		pisc	1.8 <sup>d</sup>
		pisc	$3.7^e$
		pisc	3.0
		pisc	3.9 <sup>f</sup>
		pisc	15 <sup>g</sup>
		pisc	0.30
		pisc	2.0
		pisc	0.41
		pisc	0.40
		pisc	0.40

*Table A8. 3: DDT: selected data for marine water.*

a: most sensitive parameter (photosynthesis) for *Coccolithus huxleyi*

b: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Cyclotella nana*

- c: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Skeletonema costatum*
- d: geometric mean of 7.6 and 0.45 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Cymatogaster aggregata*
- e: geometric mean of 5.0, 5.0, and 2.0 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Cyprinodon variegatus*
- f: geometric mean of 2.8 and 5.5 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Fundulus similis*
- g: geometric mean of 18 and 12 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Gasterosteus aculeatus*

*Table A8. 4: DDE: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	$\mu$ g/l $L(E)C50$ <sup>r</sup>	taxonomic group	$[\mu g/l]$ $L(E)C50$ <sup>T</sup>
plat	1100	p <sub>1</sub> sc	$\sim$ ے ر
pisc	240	D <sub>1</sub> SC	-96

*Table A8. 5: DDE: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC [ $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	$\rm 0.10$	crus	ں ۔
		crus	28 <sup>a</sup>
		moll	14

All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

a: from two studies

*Table A8. 6: DDD: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	6.4 <sup>a</sup>	pisc	42
crus	3.2	pisc	70
crus	4.5	pisc	14
1ns	380	amph	140
pisc	1500	amph	400
pisc	42		

All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

a: geometric mean of 4.6 and 8.9 µg/l, parameter immobility for *Daphnia magna*

*Table A8. 7: DDD: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	$(E)$ C50 [ $\mu$ g/l	taxonomic group	E)C50 $\mu$ g/l
alg	790	pisc	42
crus	60	pisc	20
crus	2.4	pisc	ر. پ
moll	25		

All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

*Table A8. 8: Aldrin: selected data for terrestrial species.*

taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/kg]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/kg]
bact	$59^{\circ}$	ann	
bact	$130^{\rm b}$	nema	$2 \zeta$ <sup>d</sup> ں ر
fung	$32^{\circ}$	1ns	$2.8^e$
		1ns	0.55

All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

- a: geometric mean of 42 and 83 mg/kg derived from two ECx values (EC20 of 125 mg/kg and EC20 of 125 mg/kg standard soil divided by a factor of 3 in both cases) for *Actinomycetes* in the same soil
- b: geometric mean of 125 and 125 mg/kg derived from two ECx values (EC7 of 125 mg/kg and EC13 divided by a factor of 2 of 250 mg/kg standard soil) for bacteria species in the same soil
- c: geometric mean of 42 and 25 mg/kg derived from two ECx values (EC33 of 125 mg/kg and EC65 250 mg/kg standard soil divided by a factor of 3 and 10 respectively) for fungi species in the same soil
- d: calculated from 8 LCx data for larvae of *Melanotus communis* in 3 different soils  $(r^2=0.93)$
- e: geometric mean of 3.8 and 2.1 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Folsomia candida*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	8.0	pisc	4.0
crus	18	pisc	19
crus	$29^a$	pisc	53
crus	28	pisc	$27^{\circ}$
crus	9.8	pisc	20
crus	23	pisc	8.4 <sup>d</sup>
ins	143	pisc	5.0
ins	3.0	pisc	100
ins	1.0	pisc	19 <sup>e</sup>
ins	9.0	pisc	42
1ns	42	pisc	6.8 <sup>f</sup>
ins	18	pisc	46
ins	$22^{\rm b}$	pisc	$10^{\text{g}}$
pisc $\cdot$ $\cdot$ $\sim$ $\mathbf{r}$ and $\mathbf{r}$ $ -$	32 $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\bullet$ $\rightarrow$ $\bullet$ $\bullet$ $\bullet$ $\bullet$	amph	68

*Table A8. 9: Aldrin: selected data for fresh water.*

- a: geometric mean of 28 and 30 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Daphnia magna*
- b: geometric mean of 43, 180 and 1.3 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Pteronarcys* species, different life stages
- c: geometric mean of 37 and 20 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Lebistis reticulatis*
- d: geometric mean of 5.6, 10, 13, 6.2, 12, 9.7, 7.7, 6.2, 15 and 4.6 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Lepomis macrochirus*
- e: geometric mean of 28, 8.2 and 32 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Pimephales promelas*
- f: geometric mean of 18, 2.6, 8.2, 9.3, 3.2, 3.4, 2.2, 10 and 36 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*
- g: geometric mean of 7.5 and 14 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Salmo tshawytscha*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
moll	83	crus	33 <sup>a</sup>
pisc	3.3	crus	8.0
		crus	33
		crus	9.0
		crus	$0.44^{b}$
		moll	15
		pisc	4.0
		pisc	33 <sup>c</sup>
		pisc	3.2
		pisc	7.2
		pisc	2.0
		pisc	2.8

*Table A8. 10: Aldrin: selected data for marine water.*

a: geometric mean of 23 and 42 µg/l, parameter loss of equilibrium/immobility/mortality for *Callinectes sapidus*

b: geometric mean of 0.6 and 0.32 µg/l, parameter loss of equilibrium/immobility/mortality for *Penaeus duorarum*

c: geometric mean of 40 and 27 µg/l, parameter mortality for *Gasterosteus aculeatus*





All data originate from Van de Meent et al. (1990).

*Table A8. 12: Dieldrin: selected data on terrestrial species.*

taxonomic group	NOEC <sup>F</sup> $[\mathrm{mg/kg}]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)$ C50 $\Gamma$ [mg/kg]
1ns	$0.50\,$	1ns	.
		1ns	.

All data originate from Van de Meent et al. (1990).

*Table A8. 13: Dieldrin: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$	taxonomic group	NOEC [ $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$
cyan	$10^{-1}$	crus	$\mathcal{L}$ ے ر
cyan	10	p <sub>1SC</sub>	5.0
cyan	10	pisc	0.75
moll	10	D <sub>1</sub> SC	0.12

All data originate from Van de Meent et al. (1990).

*Table A8. 14: Dieldrin: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC <sup>F</sup> $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$	taxonomic group	$\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$ $NOEC$ <sup><math>F</math></sup>
alg	$0.10\,$	D <sub>1</sub> SC	0.10
crus	10.		

All data originate from Van de Meent et al. (1990).

*Table A8. 15: Endrin: selected data on terrestrial species.*

taxonomic group	mg/kg - $\sim$	
1ns	$\alpha$ <u>v. z</u>	

*Table A8. 16: Endrin: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	$NOEC$ [ $\mu$ g $/l$ ]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
cyan	95	crus	1.5
pisc	0.21 <sup>a</sup>	crus	$41^{\circ}$
pisc	$0.17^{\rm b}$	crus	20
		crus	1.8
		crus	3.1 <sup>d</sup>
		crus	3.0
		crus	$3.2^e$
		crus	20
		1ns	$0.35^{\rm f}$
		ins	0.90
		ins	0.76
		ins	62
		ins	$2.2^{\rm g}$
		ins	0.54
		ins	$0.77^{\rm h}$
		ins	0.83
		pisc	$0.65^{\rm i}$
		pisc	0.32
		pisc	$0.87^{j}$
		pisc	0.89 <sup>k</sup>
		pisc	0.85
		pisc	0.28 <sup>1</sup>

All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

a: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *Jordonella floridae*

- b: lowest NOEC for *Pimephales promelas*
- c: geometric mean of 230, 4.2, 74, and 41 µg/l for *Daphnia magna*
- d: geometric mean of 1.3, 4.3, and 5.5 µg/l for *Gammarus fasciatus*
- e: most sensitive life stage (3-5 w) for *Orconectes nais*
- f: geometric mean of 0.32 and 0.39 µg/l for *Acroneuria pacifica*
- g: geometric mean of 2.4 and 2.1 µg/l for *Ischnuria verticalis*
- h: geometric mean of 0.25 and 2.4 µg/l for *Pteronarcis californica*
- i: geometric mean of 0.44 and 0.95 µg/l for *Carassius auratus*
- j: geometric mean of 1.1 and 0.69 µg/l for *Gambusia affinis*
- k: geometric mean of 0.42 and 1.9 µg/l for *Ictalurus punctatus*
- l: geometric mean of 0.21 and 0.37 µg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*

taxonomic group	NOEC [µg/l]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg	0.067	alg	950
alg	10	crus	19 <sup>b</sup>
alg	0.10	crus	$2.0\,$
alg	100	crus	$0.74^c$
crus	$0.030^{a}$	crus	1.2
moll	25	crus	0.68 <sup>d</sup>
pisc	0.12	crus	$0.24^e$
pisc	0.19	crus	0.086 <sup>f</sup>
		echi	360
		moll	$57^{\rm g}$
		pisc	0.60
		pisc	$0.80\,$
		pisc	0.50
		pisc	0.40 <sup>h</sup>
		pisc	0.60
		pisc	0.30
		pisc	$0.26^{i}$
		pisc	$1.1^{j}$
		pisc	$0.93^k$
		pisc	0.050
		pisc	0.094
		pisc	0.35 <sup>1</sup>
		pisc	2.6
		pisc	$1.2\,$
		pisc	0.63
		pisc	3.1
		pisc	$0.10\,$

*Table A8. 17: Endrin: selected data for marine water.*

- a: most sensitive parameter (weight) for larvae of *Palaemonetes pugeo*
- b: geometric mean of 25 and 15 µg/l for *Calinectes sapidus*
- c: geometric mean of 1.7, 0.6, and 0.4 µg/l for *Crangon* species
- d: geometric mean of 0.69, 0.63, 0.35, 0.8, and 1.2 µg/l for different life stages of *Paleomonetes pugeo*
- e: geometric mean of 0.3 and 0.2 µg/l for *Penaeus aztecus*
- f: geometric mean of 0.037 and 0.2 µg/l for *Penaeus duorarum*
- g: geometric mean of 14, 33, and 400 µg/l for *Crassostrea virginica*
- h: geometric mean of 0.36, 0.38, 0.36, 0.37, 0.34, 0.34, 1.0, and 0.34 µg/l for different life stages of *Cyprinodon variegatus*
- i: geometric mean of 0.3 and 0.23 µg/l for *Fundulus similis*
- j: geometric mean of 1.2, 1.2, 0.9, 1.1, and 1.2 µg/l for adult *Gasterosteus aculaetus*
- k: geometric mean of 4.4, 0.3, and 0.6 µg/l for *Leiostomus xanthurus*
- l: geometric mean of 0.40 and 0.3 µg/l for *Mugil cephalus*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg	3300	crus	500
alg	80	pisc	2100 <sup>b</sup>
prot			
moll	20		
crus	90 <sup>a</sup>		
pisc	800		

*Table A8. 18:* α*-HCH: selected data for fresh water.*

a: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Daphnia magna*

b: geometric mean of 1300 and 3500 µg/l for *Lebistes reticulatus*

*Table A8. 19: α-HCH: selected data for marine water.*

onomic group taxc	$11$ T $\Omega$ $\mu$ g/ ∼ ै	
pisc	$\cap$ r $\cap$ ∠⊃∪	
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All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

*Table A8. 20: β-HCH: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$[\mu g/l]$ <b>NOEC</b>
alg	500	p <sub>1</sub> sc	$\mathbf{a}$ ∼
prot	o٦ ΟJ	pisc	180
crus	320		

All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

a: parameters mortality, growth and embryonic development for *Oryzias latipes*

*Table A8. 21: β-HCH: selected data for marine water.*

group taxonomic	$1 + 7$ N. $\sim$	
crus	v	
. $\sim$ $\mathbf{r}$ . .	$\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$ $\sim$	

All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

*Table A8. 22: Lindane: selected data for terrestrial species.*

taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/kg]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/kg]
1ns	$\rm 0.05$	ıns	$0.84^{\rm a}$
ann	29	ann	98
		ann	59

All data originate from Van de Meent et al. (1990).

a: geometric mean of 0.75 and 0.95 mg/kg for *Folsomia candida*

*Table A8. 23: Lindane: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$	taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$
cyan	150	crus	$24^{\circ}$
	250	crus	6.0 <sup>d</sup>
	950	1ns	2.2
alg alg alg	500	pisc	9.1
prot	660 <sup>a</sup>	pisc	2.9
moll	330 <sup>b</sup>	pisc	8.8

All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

- a: geometric mean of 440 and 1000 µg/l for *Tetrahymena pyriformis* (parameter growth)
- b: most sensitive parameter (fecundity) for *Lymnea stagnalis*
- c: geometric mean of 54 and 11 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (parameters reproduction and mortality)
- d: geometric mean of 4.3 and 8.3 µg/l for *Gammarus fasciatus* (parameters reproduction and mortality)

*Table A8. 24: Lindane: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	$\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$ NOEC <sup>r</sup>	taxonomic group	OEC NO $\mu$ g/
moll	1000	moll	5000
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ann  $260^b$ 

All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/kg]$	taxonomic group	$(E)C50$ [mg/kg]
bact	$23000^a$	1 <sub>ns</sub>	$12^{\circ}$
ann	25	ann	$22^{\rm b}$
1 <sub>ns</sub>	$1.6^{b,c}$	ann	$140^{b,e}$
		ann	120 <sup>b</sup>
		ann	$130^{b,f}$

*Table A8. 25: Carbaryl: selected data for terrestrial species.*

All data originate from Appendix 4 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997c).

a: geometric mean of 42000 and 12500 mg/kg for *Rhizobium* species.

- b: result from deviating test
- c: geometric mean of 0.5 and 5 mg/kg for *Folsomia candida*
- d: geometric mean of 10 and 15 mg/kg for *Folsomia candida*
- e: geometric mean of 110 and 110 mg/kg for *Eisenia fetida*
- f: geometric mean of 97, 170, and 139 mg/kg for *Lumbricus terrestris*

*Table A8. 26: Carbaryl: selected data for terrestrial processes.*



All data originate from Appendix 4 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997c).

*Table A8. 27: Carbaryl: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g/l \rceil$	taxonomic group	$\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$ <b>NOEC</b>
prot	20000	crus	10
crus	4.1	pisc	$62^{\circ}$
crus		moll	1000

All data originate from Appendix 2 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997c).

a: most sensitive parameter (hatchability) for larvae of *Pimephales promelas*
taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$
alg	100	moll	80 <sup>a</sup>
alg	100	moll	1000 <sup>b</sup>
alg	50	moll	$50^{\circ}$
alg	10	moll	1000
alg	50	moll	
crus	0.05		

*Table A8. 28: Carbaryl: selected data for marine water.*

All data originate from Appendix 3 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997c).

a: most sensitive life stage (juvenile) for *Clinocardium nuttalli*

b: most sensitive parameter (embryonic development/growth) for *Crassostrea virginica*

c: most sensitive life stage (eggs) for *Mercenaria mercenaria*





All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

a: geometric mean of 2.4, 24, and 24 µg/l for bacteria species (EC0-EC30 on agar plates considered as NOEC)

b: geometric mean of 2.4 and 2.5 µg/l for fungi species

c: calculated from 3 LCx data for *Aphelenchus avenae*  $(r^2=0.95)$ 

d: geometric mean of 0.75, 0.3, and 0.3 µg/l for *Folsomia candida*





All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

a: geometric mean of 9 and 17 mg/kg derived from two ECx values (EC31 of 17 mg/kg and EC34 of 34 mg/kg standard soil both divided by a factor of 3) for nitrogenase inhibition activity in the same soil





All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

- a: geometric mean of 240 and 88 µg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*
- b: geometric mean of 380 and 600 µg/l for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*
- c: geometric mean of 240, 120 and 400 µg/l for *Perca flavescens*
- d: geometric mean of 2000, 870, and 1200 µg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*
- e: geometric mean of 560 and 280 µg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*





All data originate from Van de Plassche et al. (1994).

a: most sensitive life stage (zoea) of *Cancer magister*

b: most sensitive parameter (immobility)





All data originate from Appendix 4 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997c).

*Table A8. 34: Maneb: selected data for terrestrial processes.*

taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/kg]	taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/kg]
nitr	130	N-min	JІ
nitr	120	N-min	120

All data originate from Appendix 4 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997c).

*Table A8. 35: Maneb: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	$\mu$ g/l] <b>NOEC</b>	taxonomic group	$11 -$ ug/ UE N --
crus	эp	p <sub>1</sub> sc	oa 10

All data originate from Appendix 2 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997c).

a: most sensitive parameter (total embryotoxicity) in ELS of *Oncorhynchus mykiss*

taxonomic group	NOEC [mg/kg]	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [mg/kg]
bact	29 <sup>a</sup>	mac	$2.9^{b,c}$
ann	160	mac	$4.6^{b,d}$
ins	50	mac	$4.6^{b,e}$
ins	50	mac	$12^{b,f}$
fung	$5^{\rm b}$	ann	40 <sup>b</sup>
		ann	$87^{b,g}$
		ann	$23^b$
		ann	380 <sup>b</sup>
		ann	$65^{\rm b}$

*Table A8. 36: Atrazine: selected data for terrestrial species.*

All data originate from Appendix 4 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997c).

a: geometric mean of 17 and 50 mg/kg for nitrifying bacteria species

- b: result from deviating test
- c: geometric mean of 1.5 and 5.8 mg/kg for pregerminated seeds of *Avena sativa*
- d: geometric mean of 2.5, 2.6 and 15 mg/kg for seeds of *Brassica rapa*
- e: geometric mean of 2.5 and 8.5 mg/kg for seeds of *Lactuca sativa*
- f: geometric mean of 4.2 and 32 mg/kg for seeds of *Lolium perenne*
- g: geometric mean of 58 and 130 mg/kg for *Eisenia fetida*





All data originate from Appendix 4 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997c).

a: geometric mean of 0.17 and 0.33 mg/kg for ATP content in the same soil

b: geometric mean of 5 and 33 mg/kg derived from two ECx values (EC16 of 10 mg/kg and EC21 100 mg/kg standard soil divided by a factor of 2 and 3, respectively) for phophodiesterase activity in the same soil

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g/l \rceil$	taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$
cyan	270	crus	140
cyan		crus	$1000^a$
alg	45	crus	60 <sup>b</sup>
alg	110	1ns	2000
alg	16	1 <sub>ns</sub>	110
alg	30	pisc	300
alg	40	pisc	18 <sup>c</sup>
alg	70	pisc	27 <sup>d</sup>
crus	2500	pisc	$65^{\circ}$

*Table A8. 38: Atrazine: selected data for fresh water.*

All data originate from Appendix 2 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997c).

a: most sensitive parameter (reproduction) for *Daphnia pulex*

b: most sensitive parameter (mortality) for *Gammarus fasciatus*

c: geometric mean of 13 and 24 µg/l for *Ictalurus punctatus*

d: geometric mean of 15 and 48 µg/l for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*

e: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Salvelinus fontimalis*

*Table A8. 39: Atrazine: selected data for marine water.*



All data originate from Appendix 3 in Crommentuijn et al. (1997c).

a: most sensitive parameter (photosynthesis) for *Nitzschia sigma*

b: most sensitive parameter (growth and photosynthesis) for *Thalassiosira fluviatilis*

c: most sensitive parameter (mortality) for spores of *Laminaria hyperborea*

d: most sensitive parameter (growth) for *Mysidopsis bahia*

## **Appendix 9 Data for other compounds used for extrapolation**

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*Table A9. 1: Dimethyl phthalate: selected data for terrestrial species.*



All data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A9. 2: Dimethyl phthalate: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	9600	prot	540000
		alg	140000
		crus	46000
		1 <sub>ns</sub>	380000
		pisc	50000
		pisc	56000
		pisc	$69000^a$

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 121 and 39 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*

*Table A9. 3: Dimethyl phthalate: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g/l \rceil$
crus	10000	bact	$17000^{\text{a}}$
		alg	$72000^{\rm b}$
		crus	69000
		crus	62000
		pisc	$110000$ <sup>c</sup>
		pisc	$41000^d$

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 16 and 18 mg/l for *Vibrio fisheri*

b: geometric mean of 96 and 54 mg/l for *Gymnodium breve*

c: geometric mean of 100 and 115 mg/l for *Alburnus alburnus*

d: geometric mean of 29 and 58 mg/l for *Cyprinodon variegatus*

*Table A9. 4: Diethyl phthalate: selected data for terrestrial species.*

taxonomic group	$\sim$ $\sim$ $\mathbf{\tau}$ mg/kg $\mathbf{H}$ м יי ັ	
mac	500 JJU	

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A9. 5: Diethyl phthalate: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
prot	53000	prot	130000
prot	19000	alg	16000
prot	48000	alg	45000
alg	15000	crus	$69000^{\rm b}$
alg	10000	1 <sub>ns</sub>	130000
crus	$18000^a$	pisc	$43000^{\circ}$
		pisc	$57000$ <sup>d</sup>
		pisc	12000
		pisc	$21000^e$

- a: geometric mean of 25 and 13 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*
- b: geometric mean of 86, 41, 75, and 86 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*
- c: geometric mean of 110 and 16.7 mg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*
- d: geometric mean of 53 and 61 mg/l for *Leuciscus idus melanotus*
- e: geometric mean of 16.8, 17, and 31.8 for *Pimephales promelas*

*Table A9. 6: Diethyl phthalate: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ <sup>r</sup> $\mu$ g/ $\bar{V}$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg	$4300^a$	p <sub>1</sub> sc	$29000^{b}$
crus	10000		

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 6.1 and 3 mg/l for *Gymnodium breve*

b: geometric mean of 29 and 30 mg/l for *Cyprinodon variegatus*

*Table A9. 7: Diethyl phthalate: selected QSAR data.*

taxonomic group	$NOEC$ [mg/l]	taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$
bact	1100	moll	14
bact	54	crus	19
bact	150	crus	12
bact	140	1ns	20
alg	140	1ns	17
alg	65	pisc	
alg	15	amph	19
fung	1200	amph	15
prot	123	amph	22
coel	15		

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A9. 8: Di-iso-butyl phthalate: selected data for fresh water.*

group •люшь	$1 + 1 =$ $\alpha$ = $\alpha$ + $\mathbf{10}$ м -- $\sim$	
pisc	900	

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A9. 9: Di-iso-butyl phthalate: selected data for marine water.*

group tax conomic	$11 -$ $\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ – $\mathsf{u}\mathsf{g}$ ١ı ь м الساد	
crus	3000	

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A9. 10: Di-n-butyl phthalate: selected data for terrestrial species.*

group taxonomic	$\cap$ $\cap$ $\cap$ $\sqrt{1}$ mg/kg ו ר н м ັ	
mac	1900	

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg	2800	prot	7000
alg	$770^{\circ}$	alg	400
alg	6100	alg	$4200^{\circ}$
crus	880 <sup>b</sup>	crus	3900 <sup>d</sup>
pisc	100	crus	2100
pisc	560	1 <sub>ns</sub>	$2500^{\circ}$
		pisc	6300
		pisc	2200
		pisc	1500 <sup>f</sup>
		pisc	2200 <sup>g</sup>
		pisc	350
		pisc	1400 <sup>h</sup>

*Table A9. 11: Di-n-butyl phthalate: selected data for fresh water.*

All data originate from Appendix 2 in Van Wezel et al. (1999b).

- a: geometric mean of 0.21 and 2.8 mg/l for *Pseudokirchneriella subspicata*
- b: geometric mean of 0.96, 1.1, 1.0, and 0.56 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*
- c: geometric mean of 9.0 and 2.0 mg/l for *Scenedesmus subspicatus*
- d: geometric mean of 3.7, 3.0, and 5.2 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*
- e: geometric mean of 5.4, 4.0, and 0.76 mg/l for *Chironomus plumosus* ( $3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> instar$ )
- f: geometric mean of 0.73, 2.1, 1.6, 2.1, and 1.6 mg/l for *Lepomis macrochirus*
- g: geometric mean of 6.5, 2.6, 1.5, 1.4, and 1.6 mg/l for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*
- h: geometric mean of 1.3, 4.0, 2.0, and 1.5 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*

*Table A9. 12: Di-n-butyl phthalate: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
alg	280	bact	$16000^a$
		alg	$53^b$
		crus	8000
		crus	500
		crus	1700
		pisc	$460^\circ$

All data originate from Appendix 3 in Van Wezel et al. (1999b).

a: geometric mean of 11 and 23 mg/l for *Vibrio fisheri*

b: geometric mean of 3.4, 20, 200, and 600 µg/l for *Gymnodinium breve*

c: most sensitive life stage (yolk-sac fry) for *Ictalurus punctatus*

*Table A9. 13: Butyl benzyl phthalate: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[\mu g/l]$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
crus	$290^{\circ}$	alg	1000
		alg	600
		alg	290 <sup>b</sup>
		alg	600
		crus	$1700^{\circ}$
		pisc	1700 <sup>d</sup>
		pisc	$1600^e$
		pisc	$2600^{\rm t}$

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 350, 260, 280, and 260 µg/l for *Daphnia magna* (parameter reproduction)

- b: geometric mean of 400 and 210 µg/l for *Pseudokirchneriella subspicata*
- c: geometric mean of 0.82 and 3.7 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

d: two studies for *Lepomis macrochirus*

- e: geometric mean of 0.82 and 3.3 mg/l for *Oncorhynchus mykiss*
- f: geometric mean of 1.5, 2.1 and 5.3 mg/l for *Pimephales promelas*

*Table A9. 14: Butyl benzyl phthalate: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	$\lceil \mu g/l \rceil$ $L(E)C50$ <sup>r</sup>	taxonomic group	(E)C50 [µg/l]
crus	900	pisc	3000
D <sub>1</sub> SC	510	pisc	$600^{\text{a}}$

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 550 and 660 µg/l for *Parophrys vetulus*





All data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A9. 16: Diethylhexyl phthalate: selected data for species exposed via sediment.*

taxonomic group	$\mathbf{H}$ NOEC [ /kg $\mathbf{m}$ 111C --		
amph	$\sqrt{ }$ 1 V		
$\lambda$ 11 . .	$\mathbf{r}$ <b>TTT</b>	(10001)	

All data originate from Appendix 4 in Van Wezel et al. (1999b).

*Table A9. 17: Diethylhexyl phthalate: selected data for fresh water.*



All data originate from Appendix 2 in Van Wezel et al. (1999b).

*Table A9. 18: Cyclohexanone: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
bact	180000	alg	33000
cyan	52000	crus	800000
prot	570000	pisc	630000 <sup>a</sup>
prot	550000	pisc	580000 <sup>b</sup>
prot	280000		
alg	370000		

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 536 and 752 µg/l for *Leuciscus idus melanotus*

b: geometric mean of 527 and 634 µg/l for *Pimephales promelas*

*Table A9. 19: Cyclohexanone: selected data for marine water.*

group taxonomic	11 $L(E)$ C50 Luccorrected Eq. (Eq. 2) $\mu$ g/ $\mu$ ы	
bact	0000	

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$
bact	11000	moll	160
bact	280	crus	170
bact	750	crus	280
bact	830	1 <sub>ns</sub>	560
alg	970	1 <sub>ns</sub>	210
alg	770	pisc	87
alg	300	amph	240
fung	10000	amph	440
prot	1200	amph	300
coel	180		

*Table A9. 20: Cyclohexanone: selected QSAR data.*





All data are taken from the annex to this report.

*Table A9. 22: Pyridine: selected data for fresh water.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g / l \rceil$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
bact	340000	ins	230000
cyan	28000	ins	170000
prot	3900	ins	30000
prot	3500	ins	410000
prot	180000	ins	250000
alg	150000	coel	1200000
alg	280000	ann	1900000
alg	120000	ann	2400000
alg	50000	ann	1300000
		moll	350000
		crus	220000
		crus	2500000
		crus	780000 <sup>a</sup>
		crus	580000
		crus	180000
		pisc	94000
		amph	950000
$\sim$		amph	1400000

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean 240, 520, 1165, 1755, and 1130 mg/l for *Daphnia magna*

*Table A9. 23: Pyridine: selected data for marine water.*

axonomic group	$1 \mu$ g/ ш	taxonomic group	$11 -$ ug/ ١ı м $\sim$
bact	$3300000$ 3300000	crus	00000
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taxonomic group	NOEC $\lceil \mu g/l \rceil$	taxonomic group	$L(E)C50$ [µg/l]
bact	580000	crus	5900000
cyan	230000	pisc	2900000 <sup>a</sup>
prot	2900000	pisc	2200000
prot	860000		
alg	3700000		
pisc	220000		

*Table A9. 24: Tetrahydrofuran: selected data for fresh water.*

All data are taken from the annex to this report.

a: geometric mean of 2820 and 2930 mg/l for *Leuciscus idus melanotus*

*Table A9. 25: Tetrahydrofuran: selected data for marine water.*

taxonomic group	$11 -$ CFAF $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ $\mu$ g/ м ١I $\overline{\phantom{0}}$ $\sim$	
bact	10000	
4.11		

*Table A9. 26: Tetrahydrofuran: selected QSAR data.*

taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$	taxonomic group	NOEC $[mg/l]$
bact	15000	moll	240
bact	340	crus	220
bact	910	crus	470
bact	1000	1 <sub>ns</sub>	970
alg	1300	1 <sub>ns</sub>	300
alg	1100	pisc	130
alg	480	amph	360
fung	14000	amph	750
prot	1600	amph	440
coel	250		

*Table A9. 27: Tetrahydrothiophene: selected QSAR data.*

