

PROPOSAL TO MONSANTO COMPANY

TITLE: The Degradation of Polychlorinated Biphenyls by
Fungi and Anaerobic Bacteria

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DURATION OF PROPOSED WORK: June 1, 1979 through May 31, 1982

TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$154,931



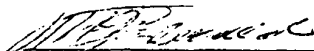
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OBJECTIVES

This research will seek to isolate and cultivate fungi and anaerobic bacteria from a variety of aquatic environments, which are able to grow in the presence of polychlorinated biphenyls and degrade the polychlorinated biphenyls. After such cultures have been established, the rate and mode of polychlorinated biphenyl degradation by these cultures will be examined, both in vitro and in situ.

INTRODUCTION

This study is proposed to investigate the role of fungi and anaerobic bacteria in polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) degradation. Because of their low solubility in water, high specific gravity, and high adsorbability, PCBs in aquatic environments tend to accumulate in reducing or anaerobic sediments of lakes, rivers, estuaries and coastal zones (3,4,9).

Evidence available to date indicates that microbial degradation may be a mechanism by which PCBs are eliminated from the environment (1,5,7,8,10,11,13). PCB resistant or degrading bacteria have been found to be ubiquitously distributed in the natural environment (11).

Thus far, degradation studies have centered on aerobic bacterial activity, and are not applicable, directly, to PCBs found in reducing or anaerobic sediments. Little information is available on the role of fungi.

SPECIFIC AIMS

1. To isolate and cultivate fungi and anaerobic bacteria from a variety of freshwater, estuarine and marine environments which are able to grow in the presence of PCBs (Aroclor 1016 and Aroclor 1254) and to investigate their ability to degrade the PCBs. Initially, this will be done with mixed cultures; studies will be done with pure cultures as they are purified.
2. To determine the rate and mode of PCB degradation by the fungi and by the anaerobic bacteria in vitro; first with PCBs serving as the sole carbon source, and second with PCBs amended with alternate carbon sources and alternate inorganic energy sources.
3. To determine the rate and mode of PCB degradation by the fungi and by the anaerobic bacteria in situ: natural deposits (with or without added PCBs) will subsequently be inoculated with a specific fungal or anaerobic bacterial culture, and the change in PCB content examined after incubation over pre-determined time intervals. Fungi and anaerobic bacteria will be added to sterilized sediments and non-sterilized sediments in order to investigate the ability of the inoculated organisms to degrade PCBs under as natural conditions as possible.

METHODS

1. Procedures for Specific Aim 1: Sediments for the isolation of fungi and anaerobic bacteria will be collected from

representative sites in freshwater, estuarine and marine environments. These samples will be collected by the principal investigator or by requests of colleagues at other institutions. Physical and chemical aspects of the environment at the time of sampling (e.g., salinity, depth, pH, Eh, water temperature) will be recorded when possible. Immediately upon collection, the sediment will be transferred to duplicate sets of glass bottles which will be almost filled with filtered water and sealed with serum caps. One set will be gassed with nitrogen to maintain or to establish reducing conditions necessary for anaerobes; the other will be maintained aerobic for fungal isolation. Both sets of samples will be used for subsequent isolation of PCB degraders by enrichment culture.

Enrichment cultures for anaerobic bacteria will be set up by adding 1-2 g of sediment to a 250 ml flask containing 100 ml of an organic medium (thioglycollate medium) made with distilled water or water of appropriate salinity and pH for estuarine and marine samples. Techniques for anaerobic cultures as described by Bryant (2) will be strictly followed. Cultures will be incubated for three days to two weeks at 26°C; intermittently, culture flasks will be shaken by hand. Isolation will be carried out in a second flask which contains 100 ml of a mineral salt solution adjusted to the desired salinity: $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$, 1 g; KH_2PO_4 , 0.2 g; K_2HPO_4 , 1.6 g; $\text{MgSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$, 0.2 g; NaCl , 0.1 g; $\text{FeSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$, 0.01 g; $\text{CaCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, 0.02 g (pH 7.5) containing 0.05% of the appropriate PCB. Following standard anaerobic techniques, 1 ml of the enrich-

ment culture will be transferred to this second medium and incubated as before until substantial growth is observed. Such cultures will be maintained in duplicate or triplicate. One series will be incubated in the light and one in the dark to enable the growth of phototrophic bacteria as well as strict chemotrophs and heterotrophs.

Enrichment cultures for fungi will be started in Sabouraud dextrose agar (Difco) made to the desired salinity and incubated under aerobic conditions. After initial growth, 1 ml of the enrichment culture will be transferred to the PCB-mineral salts medium (described above) but amended with 1 ml of a trace elements solution per liter. The trace elements solution contains 0.1 g H_3BO_3 , 0.05 g each of $CuSO_4 \cdot 5 H_2O$, $MnSO_4 \cdot H_2O$, $ZnSO_4 \cdot 7 H_2O$, Na_2MoO_4 , and $CoCl_2 \cdot 6 H_2O$ per liter.

After incubation for predetermined time intervals (4 days to 1 month), aliquots of the incubated samples will be examined by high performance liquid chromatographic techniques, or they will be transferred to separatory funnels and extracted with hexane for gas chromatographic analysis. Gas chromatograms will be run with 1-5 μ l aliquots of the hexane extracts. Initially, only the disappearance of certain PCB homologs from the mixed culture systems will be measured. If the PCBs disappear or decrease in quantity, degradation products will be looked for, perhaps using thin-layer chromatographic techniques and with ^{14}C -labelled PCBs. Mixed cultures will be purified by plating onto mineral salts agar plates containing 0.05% PCBs; degradation studies will be conducted with the resultant pure cultures.

2. Procedures for Specific Aim 2: Once the respective microbial systems capable of growth on PCBs are obtained, the kinetics of PCB degradation will be followed by analyzing the PCBs in the growth medium at different time intervals. The cells will be harvested by centrifugation and washed twice with 0.5 M phosphate buffer (pH 7.0). The washed cells will be injected into culture tubes containing the mineral salts medium and PCB. The procedures employed will be similar to those described by Halvorson et al. (6), who used resting suspensions of bacteria harvested from a sewage lagoon to examine the degradation of mixtures of pesticides. Comparisons will be made of gas chromatograms of PCBs before and after incubation with test organisms and with non-inoculated PCB controls over the pre-determined time interval. Metabolites and residual PCBs will be characterized by the use of column and thin-layer chromatographic techniques of Stalling and Huckins (12), and Furukawa and Matsumura (5).

3. Procedures for Specific Aim 3: In situ studies will be conducted with natural sediments whose PCB content will have been determined previously. Sediments will be autoclaved to kill indigenous microbial flora. Depending on the test organisms to be used in the test (fungi or anaerobic bacteria), the test conditions of the sediment will either be made anaerobic or left aerobic. The specific organism for the PCB degradation experiments will be inoculated into the sediments, and the rest of the experiment will be run as in Procedure for Specific Aim 2 to determine PCB degradation. A second variation of the

in situ study involves the inoculation of the test isolates into non-sterilized sediment of known PCB content along with all of its indigenous flora and fauna; this is designed to test the ability of the isolated PCB degraders to function and compete with other organisms under natural conditions. PCB degradation will be assessed as per Procedure for Specific Aim 2.

4. The research tasks will be performed in the following sequence, assuming a beginning date of June 1, 1979:

June 1, 1979 - May 31, 1980: Specific Aim 1.

June 1, 1980 - May 31, 1981: Specific Aim 2.

June 1, 1981 - May 31, 1982: Specific Aim 3.

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FACILITIES AVAILABLE

The proposed research will be carried out using the facilities of the analytical chemistry and aquatic ecology sections of the Laboratory for Environmental Studies. The proposed research will be carried out in the culture and analytical facilities at the A.J. Lanza Laboratory, Tuxedo, New York, and at the Hudson River field station maintained by the Medical Center at Buchanan, N.Y. NYU boats equipped for collection of samples and certain field analytical procedures are berthed at Stony Point, N.Y. and operate throughout the open-water months. Dock facilities are available at the Buchanan wet-lab, but only on a temporary basis.

Equipment available for this project includes apparatus for:

Extraction/concentration of organics

Freeze-dry techniques

Scintillation spectrometry (low level - beta)

Gel electrophoresis

Thin-layer chromatography

Gas-liquid chromatography

Respiration studies

Water quality analysis

Autoradiography

Culture facilities and equipment for aerobic and anaerobic microorganisms

Culture of aquatic organisms

Maintenance of aquatic organisms

Computer data analysis

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PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR ASSURANCE

The undersigned agrees to accept responsibility for the scientific and technical conduct of the research project and for provision of required progress reports if a contract is awarded as a result of this application.

5/18/79
Date

C. C. Lee
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PROPOSED BUDGET

DEGRADATION OF POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYLS
BY FUNGI AND ANAEROBIC BACTERIA

		Year					
1. Personnel		<u>1979-80</u>		<u>1980-1981</u>		<u>1981-82</u>	
<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>% Time</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>% Time</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>% Time</u>	<u>Salary</u>
C.C. Lee	Prin. Invest.	20	4,592	20	4,821	20	5,159
Theo. J. Kneip	Tech. Advisor	10	N.C.	10	N.C.	10	N.C.
J.M. O'Connor	Tech. Advisor	10	N.C.	10	N.C.	10	N.C.
Research Technician		100	12,500	100	13,125	100	14,044
Laboratory Aide		50	5,071	50	5,325	50	5,698
Clerical Assistance		10	1,200	10	1,260	10	1,348
Total			\$23,363		\$24,531		\$26,249
Fringe benefits			4,731		5,029		5,447
Overhead			12,559		12,879		13,780
Total salaries/benefits			\$40,653		\$42,439		\$45,476
2. Equipment							
a. High performance liquid chromatograph (partial)			\$12,000		-		-
b. Shaker table			500		-		-
c. Incubator			-		600		-
d. Spectrophotometer			-		1,150		-
Totals			\$12,500		\$1,750		-

	<u>1979-80</u>	<u>1980-81</u>	<u>1981-82</u>
3. Supplies			
a. Glassware	\$500	\$500	-
b. Chemicals	500	500	\$300
c. Gases (N ₂ ; CO ₂)	200	200	200
d. Chromatographic equipment (gases, columns, etc.)	600	600	400
	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$900
4. Miscellaneous Expenses			
a. Travel to scientific meeting	\$500	\$500	\$500
b. Personal travel (collection, etc.)	500	200	100
c. Publication costs	-	300	300
d. Other costs (Xerox, inter-library loan, service, etc.)	500	500	300
	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,200
Totals			
1. Salaries	\$40,653	\$42,439	\$45,476
2. Equipment	12,500	1,750	-
3. Supplies	1,800	1,800	900
4. Miscellaneous	1,500	1,500	1,200
Total amount requested	\$56,453	\$47,489	\$47,576

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