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OHIO SCIENTISTS TO STUDY PCB RESIDUES IN SILOS:

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 -Scientists at the Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, Wooster, will study polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) residues in contaminated silos under a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

USDA's Agricultural Research Service (ARS) will provide $12,000 for the one-year study.

PCB residues in milk, as a result of their inclusion in a silo sealant, represent a potential threat to the health of consumers and to the economic production of both meat and milk.

The Ohio scientists will study effectiveness and durability of various coating materials used in silos to prevent PCB contamination. The scientists will also determine the concentration of residue in milk resulting from known PCB concentrations in the silage.

Dr. Lynn B. Willett, professor of physiology and management, Wooster, is the project leader and Dr. George F. Fries, animal scientist, Beltsville, Md., is the ARS representative.

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