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FINAL REPORT

ACUTE INHALATION TOXICITY STUDY IN RATS

T-2991IT

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I. SUMMARY

The test material, T-2291IT, was evaluated for acute inhalation toxicity in rats. Exposure to the test material for four hours at a nominal concentration of 6.57 mg/liter caused sniffing and preening. After 60 minutes of pressure, all animals appeared normal and remained so until the end of the study. Most exposed animals lost weight by post-exposure Day 1, but subsequently recovered. All animals gained weight by the end of the study. Gross pathology findings at necropsy revealed a higher incidence of lung lesions in exposed males, but there were no consistent findings indicative of a compound-related effect. Microscopic examination of fixed lungs, livers, kidneys and all grossly abnormal tissues also failed to reveal compound-related histomorphologic changes.

II. OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this study was to assess the acute inhalation toxicity in rats to a single 4-hour exposure to T-2991IT in conformance with proposed FIFRA guidelines (40 CFR Section 163.81-3, August 22, 1978). The study was initiated November 25, 1980, and terminated December 10, 1980.



III. MATERIALS AND METHODS

A. Test Material

The test material, T-29911T, a yellow liquid, was received November 19, 1980, and stored at room temperature. Information on the methods of synthesis, stability, as well as data on composition or other characteristics which define the test material are on file with the sponsor.

B. Animals and Animal Care*

A total of 20 healthy appearing rats, equally divided by sex, of the Sprague-Dawley descended strain, obtained from Charles River Breeding Laboratories, Inc., Wilmington, Massachusetts, were selected from a stock pool of 24. Animals not selected for study were returned to the stock pool. The animals ranged in weight from 228 to 335 grams when selected, and had been quarantined for at least 19 days prior to selection. Throughout the study, the animals were individually housed in stainless steel wire-mesh cages with food (Purina® Lab Chow #5001®) and water (via automatic lick valves) available ad libitum except during exposure. A 12/12-hour light/dark cycle (6:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.) was maintained by automatic timer throughout the study. The exposure was conducted during the light phase. Rats were used in this study because they have historically been used in safety evaluation studies and are required by FIFRA regulations.

C. Groups

The selected 10 animals per sex were assigned to two equal-sized groups by use of a table of random permutations of 16 (Cochran, W.G., and Cox, G.M., Experimental Designs, 1957) as follows:

* These animals were maintained in animal care facilities fully accredited by the American Association for Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care.



<u>Group No.</u>	<u>Number/Sex</u>	<u>Treatment Target Nominal Concentration</u>
1	5	Air Control
2	5	5.0 - 5.5 mg/L

D. Exposure Conditions

Group 2 was exposed to T-29911T aerosol in a 100-liter glass and stainless steel chamber operated dynamically at a constant airflow of 16.7 liters/minute. Group 1 was "exposed" in a chamber to air only. The compound was generated for 240 minutes as an aerosol by use of a Solo Sphere nebulizer at an aspirator setting of 100% and operated at an airflow of 3.5 liters/minute.

The aerosol was introduced into the turret top of the chamber with make-up air at 13.2 liters/minute. The exposure was 4.0 hours in duration (plus 30 minutes to allow for chamber purging).

E. Exposure Monitoring

1. Aerosol Concentration

- a. Nominal: The nominal concentration of the exposure was calculated by dividing the total weight of T-29911T aerosolized by the total volume of air passing through the chamber during aerosol generation.
- b. Gravimetric: During exposure to T-29911T, samples were collected on Gelman Metrical DM-450 filters via a probe extended to the approximate breathing zone of the rats. A sampling rate of 10 liters/minute was used. Four 15-minute samples were drawn, starting at 60, 115, 170, and 225 minutes after exposure initiation. Weight gain on each filter divided by total volume of air sampled (150 liters) was used to calculate each gravimetric concentration.

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- c. Analytical: The above Gelman DM-450 filters were shipped in sealed glass vials, packed on dry ice in air-tight packages, to the sponsor for determination of the weights of active material collected.
2. Particle Size Distribution: Prior to and twice during exposure, samples were collected with Andersen 4-stage Mini-Sampler cascade impactors in order to determine the aerodynamic particle size (mass) distribution of the nonvolatile component of the aerosol in the chamber at the rat's breathing zone. Samples were obtained starting at 60 and 170 minutes after exposure initiation for 15-minute durations. A sampling rate of 1.4 liters/minute was used. The mass median aerodynamic diameter (MMAD) and geometric standard deviation (og) of the mass distribution was obtained graphically after converting the dry weight gains on each stage and backup filter to cumulative percentages of total weight collected and plotting these against the stage cutoffs (in microns) on log-normal (probit) paper. Values at the 50th and 84/50th (or 50/16th) percentile were taken as the mass median aerodynamic diameter and geometric standard deviation, respectively.
3. Temperature and Relative Humidity (R.H.): Temperature and R.H. in the control chamber were measured with an Abbeon Model M2A4B temperature and R.H. gauge and recorded every 30 minutes. Temperature and R.H. in the chamber varied from 69°F to 75°F and 45% to 53%, respectively.

F. Biological Observations

1. Toxic Signs: Continuously during exposure and twice daily for 14 days post-exposure, all animals were observed for signs of toxicity, abnormal behavior, or unusual appearance. Noteworthy changes were recorded.
2. Body Weight: All animals were weighed and body weights recorded prior to exposure and on Days 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, and 14 post-exposure and prior to necropsy.

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G. Necropsy

All animals were killed on Day 15 post-exposure by exsanguination under pentobarbital sodium anesthesia. Complete necropsies were performed and gross pathology recorded. Special attention was paid to the lungs and upper respiratory tract. Lungs, liver, kidneys, and all grossly abnormal tissues were fixed in 10% neutral buffered formalin.

H. Histopathology

Preserved tissues were embedded in Paraplast[®], sectioned at 5-6 microns, slide mounted, stained with hematoxylin and eosin, and examined microscopically by a board-certified veterinary pathologist for indications of compound-induced changes.

I. Data Storage

All raw data, specimens, and the final report will be stored in the archives of Hazleton Laboratories America upon acceptance of this final report.

III. RESULTS

A. Aerosol Concentration

1. Nominal Concentration: A total of 26.33 grams of T-29911T aerosol were dispersed into the inhalation chamber with a total air volume of 4008 liters. The nominal concentration was, thus, calculated to be 6.57 mg/liter of air of T-29911T.
2. Gravimetric Concentration: Results of the dry weight gravimetric concentration determinations are shown below in Table 1.

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Table 1 - Gravimetric Chamber Concentrations
of T-2991IT Aerosol (dry weight).

<u>Sample Initiation (min.)</u>	<u>Weight Collected (mg)</u>	<u>Sample Airflow (L)</u>	<u>Gravimetric Concentration (mg/L)</u>
60	8.89	150	.059
115	9.13	150	.061
170	10.74	150	.072
225	10.86	150	.072

3. Particle Size Distribution: Results of the particle size determinations are shown in Table 2. The majority of the mass collected was in the respirable size range (i.e., less than 5.0 microns).

Table 2 - Particle Size Distribution Data.

<u>Stage No.</u>	<u>Cutoff Size μ</u>	<u>Preliminary Weight Collected mg</u>	<u>Sample No.</u>	
			<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
			<u>Weight Collected mg</u>	<u>Weight Collected mg</u>
1	>4.7	.18	.03	.05
2	<4.7	.11	.05	.07
3	<3.3	.25	.35	.52
4	<2.1	.26	.15	.32
F	<0.65	.03	.00	.02
Σ		.83	.58	.98
MMAD (μ)		2.6	2.4	2.35
σ_g		2.00	1.33	1.47

B. Mortality

No animals died during this study.



C. Toxic Signs

1. Group 1 (Air Control): All animals in this group exhibited normal appearance and behavior throughout the study.
2. Group 2 (6.5 mg/L): After one minute of exposure, all animals were observed to be sniffing the air, and after five minutes, all animals were preening. All animals appeared calm and normal after 30 minutes, and all animals appeared normal after 60 minutes and throughout the remainder of the exposure. All animals exhibited normal appearance and behavior throughout the 14-day post-exposure observation period.

D. Body Weights

Individual body weights with group means ($\pm$ S.D.) are presented in Table 3. Most Group 2 animals lost weight after exposure, but subsequently recovered. All animals gained weight by the end of the study.

E. Gross Pathology

Gross pathology findings at necropsy are presented in Table 4. There was a higher incidence of lesions in the lungs of Group 2 males, but there were no consistent findings indicative of a compound-related effect.

F. Histopathology

Microscopic evaluation revealed lesions of chronic respiratory disease consisting of peribronchial and perivascular lymphoid hyperplasia and focal pneumonitis characterized by focally thickened alveolar walls and a pleocellular inflammatory infiltrate, including alveolar macrophages. These lesions were essentially comparable in incidence and severity between control and treated rats with the exception of the control females, in which lesions were slightly less prominent. Histopathologic incidences are presented in Table 5.



Microgranulomas and minimal nonsuppurative pericholangitis were noted in liver sections. Kidney sections revealed minimal to slight focal interstitial nephritis. Hydrometra was present in uterine sections from three females. Lymphoreticular cell hyperplasia was present in the various lymph nodes examined and was accompanied by congestion and pigment-laden macrophages in the mediastinal lymph node of one control female. Foci of agonal hemorrhage were noted in thymic sections of three rats.

In conclusion, microscopic evaluation of hematoxylin and eosin stained sections of lung, liver, kidney and unusual lesions from control and treated rats from an acute inhalation study with T-19911T failed to reveal compound-related tissue alteration. Spontaneous disease lesions were essentially comparable in incidence and severity between control and treated rats.

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Table 3 - Body Weights (grams).

<u>Animal No./Sex</u>	<u>Pre</u>	<u>Day 1</u>	<u>Day 2</u>	<u>Day 3</u>	<u>Day 4</u>	<u>Day 7</u>	<u>Day 14</u>
<u>GROUP 1</u>							
47931♂	321	319	324	331	324	344	382
47932♂	341	341	343	348	348	369	408
47933♂	320	325	323	328	331	344	381
47934♂	322	324	328	334	335	352	386
47935♂	323	323	329	338	340	357	395
Mean	325	326	329	336	336	353	390
±S.D.	8.8	8.5	8.0	7.8	9.1	10.4	11.3
47936♀	271	271	276	273	268	280	286
47937♀	235	238	240	240	236	236	243
47938♀	256	256	256	260	257	260	266
47939♀	283	290	291	291	278	291	286
47940♀	275	280	275	283	279	275	284
Mean	264	267	268	269	264	268	273
±S.D.	18.6	20.5	19.8	20.1	17.8	21.3	18.8
<u>GROUP 2</u>							
47941♂	336	319	329	337	338	355	382
47942♂	350	336	347	353	354	376	414
47943♂	345	319	333	342	343	362	401
47944♂	350	345	350	358	357	383	423
47945♂	340	328	337	346	342	363	405
Mean	344	329	339	347	347	368	405
±S.D.	6.2	11.2	9.0	8.4	8.2	11.4	15.4
47946♀	248	237	237	241	243	246	254
47947♀	239	233	239	239	238	239	242
47948♀	242	241	242	242	241	244	259
47949♀	249	256	258	256	254	260	270
47950♀	278	265	278	282	270	279	289
Mean	251	246	251	252	249	254	263
±S.D.	15.5	13.6	17.3	18.1	13.1	16.2	17.8

Table 4 - Gross Pathology Findings

<u>OBSERVATIONS</u>	<u>GROUPS</u>			
	<u>1</u>		<u>2</u>	
	<u>♂</u>	<u>♀</u>	<u>♂</u>	<u>♀</u>
NO GROSS LESIONS	2/5	2/5	1/5	1/5
LYMPH NODES				
<u>Tracheal bronchial:</u>				
appear enlarged	1/5			
<u>Cervical:</u>				
left appears enlarged		1/5		
<u>Mediastinal:</u>				
left appears reddened		1/5		
left appears enlarged and granular				1/5
left appears enlarged			2/5	1/5
right side appears enlarged			1/5	
THYMUS				
purple foci			1/5	
right side reddened		1/5		
left side reddened		1/5		
LUNGS				
<u>All Lobes:</u>				
numerous pale areas	1/5			
scattered white foci on surfaces			1/5	
scattered red areas			1/5	
patchy appearance				1/5
<u>Right Diaphragmatic Lobe:</u>				
dorsal surface has two black foci			1/5	
consolidated linear area that did not perfuse				1/5
<u>Right Apical Lobe:</u>				
did not perfuse			1/5	
<u>Left Lobe:</u>				
anterior tip has dark reddened area surrounded by a pale area			1/5	
<u>Intermediate and Left Lateral Lobes:</u>				
scattered red areas on ventral surfaces			1/5	
CECUM				
Red area, probable injection site			1/5	1/5
KIDNEYS				
Dark cortico - medullary area			1/5	
Dark zone in cortico - medullary area	1/5			1/5
UTERINE HORNS				
Appear distended with clear fluid		1/5		1/5
Appear thickened		1/5		

Table 5
HISTOPATHOLOGY INCIDENCE TABLE

		GROUP 1										GROUP 2																			
		Males					Females					Males					Females														
	Animal No.	47931	47932	47933	47934	47935		47936	47937	47938	47939	47940				47941	47942	47943	47944	47945		47946	47947	47948	47949	47950					
LUNGS																															
Peribronchial lymphoid hyperplasia		2	2	2	2	2		1	1	1	1	1				2	2	2	2	2		1	2	2	2	2					
Perivascular lymphoid hyperplasia		2	2	2	2	2		1		1						2	2	2	1	2			1	2	2	2					
Pneumonitis (focal)		P	P	P	P	P				P						P	P	P	P	P			P	P	P	P					
Focal Atelectasis																						P									
LIVER																															
Microgranulomas		P	P	P	P					P						P	P			P					P						
Nonsuppurative pericholangitis		1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1						1	1			1	1	1	1	1					
TRACHEOBRONCHIAL LYMPH NODES																															
Lymphoreticular cell hyperplasia					P																										
KIDNEY																															
Focal interstitial nephritis		1	1		1	2		X		X	X					X				X		X	X	X	X						
MEDIASTINAL LYMPH NODE																															
Lymphoreticular cell hyperplasia										P						P		P	P				P	P							
Congestion										P																					
Pigment laden macrophages										P																					
UTERUS																															
Hydrometra									P	P															P						
THYMUS																															
Foci of hemorrhage										P	P								P												

Key: P = Present, N = No Section, A = Autolysis, X = Not Remarkable,
 1 = Minimal, 2 = Slight, 3 = Moderate, 4 = Moderately Severe/High,
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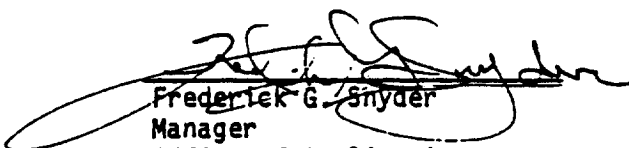
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