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PAINT INGESTION DETERRENT

During discussion of another matter at Haskell Lab., I learned that the Biochemicals Dept. is adding a foul tasting additive to some of their products as a deterrent to accidental ingestion. The material with the best balance of effectiveness and cost for their use is sucrose octoacetate.

Perhaps this or some other similar material would make an effective eating deterrent for paint. We could add it to special paints for use on old houses which were painted with lead-based paint. Children would be discouraged from eating the paint chips since the fresh paint would have a foul taste.

If you feel this concept is worth pursuing, Biochem's "expert" on non-toxic foul tasting additives is Claude Corty at the Experimental Station 123-4702.

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