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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: Cyhalofop-butyl Method Review-Report No. ECM0198S1-5

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The BEAD/Environmental Chemistry Laboratory has performed an Environmental Chemistry Method Review (ECMR) on Cyhalofop-butyl and its metabolites in soil using the method, "Validation Report for the Determination of Residues of Cyhalofop-butyl and Metabolites in Sediment and Soil by Liquid Chromatography with Mass Spectrometry Detection".

The attached method review report includes three parts:

Part I: Summary and Conclusions

In this section ECL's opinion of the acceptability and performance of the method is presented.

Part II: Discussion of Problems Found During Method Review

A discussion of minor deficiencies discovered during review or any modifications made by the independent lab.

Part III: Summary of Performance Data by Registrant and ILV

In this section the individual results of each sample at each spiking level of each analyte are listed. The arithmetical means and descriptive statistics for each spiking level are also presented here. A completed SEP check-list is attached.



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**Environmental Chemistry Method Review Report**

**Validation Report for the Determination of Residues of Cyhalofop-butyl and Metabolites  
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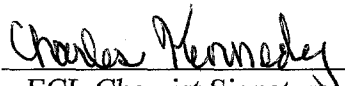
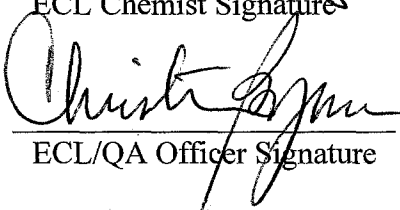
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Reviewed by: Christian Byrne	 ECL/QA Officer Signature	<u>05/13/02</u> Date

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Part 1

Summary and Conclusions

The Environmental Chemistry Laboratory (ECL) has completed the Environmental Chemistry Method Review (ECMR) for Cyhalofop-butyl and its metabolite in soil. The performing laboratory was Dow AgroSciences LLC of Indianapolis, Indiana. The independent laboratory validation (ILV) was performed by ABC Laboratories, Inc., Columbia, Missouri. The MRID number is #452040-04 and the method used for the ECMR is entitled - **Validation Report for the Determination of Residues of Cyhalofop-butyl and Metabolites in Sediment and Soil by Liquid Chromatography with Mass Spectrometry Detection.**

From the review of the registrant and the independent laboratory validation (ILV) data, ECL concludes that this method appears to be sound and reliable and can be used to determine Cyhalofop-butyl (as Cyhalofop-acid) and the metabolites Cyhalofop-amide and Cyhalofop-diacid in anaerobic sediment and aerobic soil with acceptable precision and accuracy. The anaerobic metabolite Cyhalofop-FHPBA accuracy for the registrant was 50.9% (LOQ) and the ILV laboratory had a lower average recovery of 6.2% (LOQ) for this same metabolite. Both laboratories produced average recoveries which were unacceptable within the protocol range of 70 to 120%. It was concluded that the Cyhalofop-acid, Cyhalofop-amide, and Cyhalofop-diacid can be successfully detected and quantitated by this method.

The limit of detection (LOD) for Cyhalofop-butyl and the metabolites in soil is 3.0 ng/g (3.0 ppb) from the data provided by the registrant. The registrant determined the limit of quantitation (LOQ) to be 10.0 ng/g (10.0 ppb). The accuracy and precision results between the registrant and ILV (ABC Laboratory) at various spiking concentrations were comparable. The AgroSciences LLC Company demonstrated average percent recoveries at 10.0 ng/g (LOQ) and 50 ng/g (5 x LOQ) for Cyhalofop-acid, Cyhalofop-amide, Cyhalofop-diacid, and Cyhalofop-FHPBA of 86.6, 87.6, 91.8, and 50.9%, respectively, at the LOQ and 90.2, 87.6, 81.6, and 52.1%, respectively, at the 5 x LOQ. The ABC laboratory demonstrated average percent recoveries at 10.0 ng/g (LOQ) and 100 ng/g (10 x LOQ) for Cyhalofop-acid, Cyhalofop-amide, Cyhalofop-diacid, and Cyhalofop-FHPBA of 82.4, 92.0, 73.0, and 6.2%, respectively, at the LOQ and 91.1, 94.0, 80.0, and 28.0%, respectively, at 10 x LOQ. The complete precision/accuracy data for Cyhalofop-butyl and its metabolites for the registrant and the independent validation laboratory are shown in Part III - Summary of Performance Data.

Residues of Cyhalofop-butyl and its major metabolites are extracted from soil using a 90% acetone/10% 1.0 N hydrochloric acid solution. An aliquot (8 mL) of extract is concentrated to remove the acetone and is then diluted with 0.1 N sodium hydroxide to hydrolyze any cyhalofop-butyl to cyhalofop-acid. Following hydrolysis, the sample is acidified with hydrochloric acid and then extracted with a 60% 1-chlorobutane/40% methy-tert-butyl ether (MTBE) solution. The 1-chlorobutane/MTBE solution is evaporated to dryness, and the residue reconstituted with an

89.5% hexane/10% acetone/0.5% formic acid solution. This solution is purified using a silica gel solid-phase extraction (SPE) and the column eluate is then evaporated to dryness. The residue is reconstituted with HPLC mobile phase containing compound X-460511 as an internal standard and then analyzed by HPLC with mass spectrometry detection (LC/MS).

## Part II

### Discussion of Problems Found During Method Review

There were no major problems with the method and the registrant is commended on the completeness of the validation. The registrant's method was validated over the concentration range of 10-1000 ng/g with validated limit of quantitation of 10 ng/g for Cyhalofop-acid, Cyhalofop-amide, and Cyhalofop-FHPBA, and 16 ng/g for Cyhalofop-diacid. The average recoveries were within the acceptable range of 70 to 120%, except for Chyhalofop-FHPBA, which had a average recovery of 50.9% (LOQ). Because of the low standard deviation for FHPBA, the registrant felt consistent and acceptable results could be obtained using this method.

The ILV laboratory report suggested the registrant should add specifications regarding what type of calibration is to be used, along with formulae to calculate residue values and recovery values. Recoveries for Chyhalofop-FHPBA were unacceptably low at both the 10 ppb and 100 ppb fortification levels. The ILV laboratory was informed by the registrant that Cyhalofop-FHPBA was an unimportant soil metabolite and the study could be terminated reporting the low recovery values already generated. It is also recommended that the LC-MSD section of the registrant's method describe the expected retention times and ions to be acquired for each compound. Also, an explanation of why a hydrolysis step (converting Cyhalofop-butyl to Cyhalofop-acid) was included in the method would be useful.

Part III

Summary of Performance Data

**REGISTRANT AND ILV PERFORMANCE DATA FOR CYHALOFOP-BUTYL  
AND METABOLITES**

Method: **Determination of Residues of Cyhalofop-butyl and Metabolites in Sediment and Soil by LC/MS**

**Dow AgroScience LLC (Registrant)**  
**Cyhalofop-butyl - LOQ (10.0 ng/g)**

<u>Analyte</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>High Value</u>	<u>Low Value</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>RSD</u>
Cyhalofop-acid	49	103	62.0	83.6	10.0
Cyhalofop-amide	48	112	72.0	87.6	9.2
Cyhalofop-diacid	49	135	61.0	91.8	17.1
Cyhalofop-FHPBA	49	76.0	33.0	50.9	17.9

**ILV - ABC Laboratory**  
**Cyhalofop-butyl - LOQ (10 ng/g)**

<u>Analyte</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>High Value</u>	<u>Low Value</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>RSD</u>
Cyhalofop-acid	5	90.7	74.0	82.4	7.99
Cyhalofop-amide	5	95.0	88.0	92.0	2.9
Cyhalofop-diacid	5	81.0	65.0	73.0	9.7
Cyhalofop-FHPBA	5	12.0	0.00	6.2	95.0

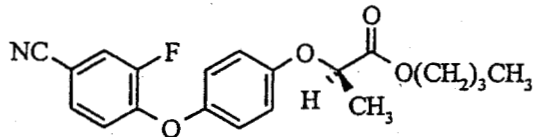
**Dow AgroScience LLC (Registrant)**  
**Cyhalofop-butyl - 5 x LOQ (50 ng/g)**

<u>Analyte</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>High Value</u>	<u>Low Value</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>RSD</u>
Cyhalofop-acid	25	109	79.0	90.2	7.7
Cyhalofop-amide	25	114	79.0	87.6	9.1
Cyhalofop-diacid	25	96.0	61.0	81.6	7.8
Cyhalofop-FHPBA	25	72.0	38.0	52.1	16.0

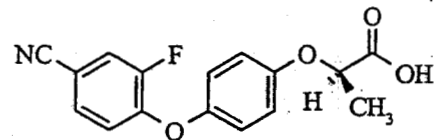
**ILV - ABC Laboratory**  
**Cyhalofop-butyl - 10 x LOQ (100 ng/g)**

<u>Analyte</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>High Value</u>	<u>Low Value</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>RSD</u>
Cyhalofop-acid	5	95.3	87.9	92.3	3.2
Cyhalofop-amide	5	94.0	90.0	92.0	2.0
Cyhalofop-diacid	5	94.0	74.0	73.0	9.7
Cyhalofop-FHPBA	5	28.0	21.0	25.0	11.0

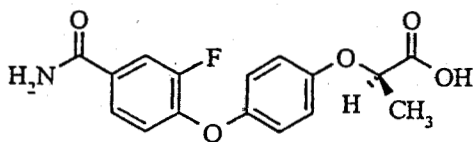
Appendix A: Chemical Structures



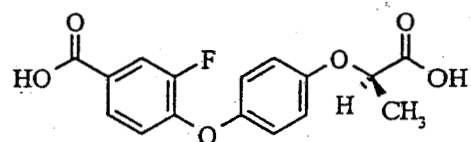
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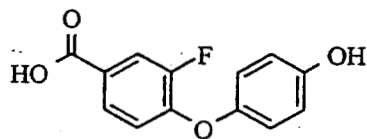
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Cyhalofop-amide  
CAS No. Unavailable



Cyhalofop-diacid  
CAS No. Unavailable



Cyhalofop-FHPBA  
CAS No. Unavailable



Appendix B: Checklist for Cyhalofop-butyl and its Metabolites in Soil

ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY METHODS (ECMs) PROGRAM  
STANDARD EVALUATION PROCEDURE (SEP) CHECKLIST  
BACKGROUND AND INITIAL REVIEW INFORMATION

I. Background Information

A. Title of Method Validation Report for the Determination of Residues of Cyhalofop-butyl and Metabolites in Sediment and Soil by Liquid Chromatography with Mass Spectrometry Detection

B. ECS No. ECM 0198S1-S5

C. MID or TRID No. 450005-23

D. Matrix (es) Soil and Sediment

E. Analyte (es) detected Cyhalofop-butyl (acid equivalent Cyhalofop-acid), Cyhalofop-amide, Cyhalofop-diacid, Cyhalofop-FHPBA

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II. Information About the Laboratory

- A. Name Dow AgroSciences
- B. Address 9330 Zionsville Road, Indianapolis, Indiana 46268-1054
- C. Telephone No. (317) 337-3535
- D. Name of the Study Director E. L. Olberding
- E. Name of the Lead Chemists L.T. Yeh, D. O. Duebelbeis, D. R.Foster
- F. Laboratory Validation: Primary  Secondary

III. Method Summary Information for Analyte (s) \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Is the Method CLASSIFIED or CONFIDENTIAL  No

B. Sample Preparation 5.0 grams soil or sediment weighed into 40 mL vial

C. Sample Extraction Cyhalofop-butyl and its metabolites are extracted using a 90% acetone/10% 1.0 N HCL solution. 8 mL aliquot is concentrated to remove the acetone and is then diluted with 0.1 N sodium hydroxide to hydrolyze any cyhalofop-butyl to cyhalofop-acid. The sample is then acidified with HCL and then extracted with a 60% 1-chlorobutane/40% methyl-tert-butyl ether (MTBE) solution. The 1-chlorobutane/MTBE solution is evaporated to dryness and reconstituted with 89.5% hexane/10% acetone formic acid solution. This solution is purified using silica gel SPE and the column eluate is then evaporated to dryness. Residue is reconstituted with HPLC mobile phase containing compound X-460511 as an internal standard and analyzed by HPLC with LC/MS.

D. Sample Cleanup Silica gel solid-phase extraction (SPE)

E. Sample Derivatization (If Applicable) None

F. Sample Analysis

1. Instrumentation Hewlett Packard Mass Spectrometer-Model 1100
2. Primary Column ZORBAX RX C8 reversed-phase, 12.5 mm x 4.6 mm i.d.
3. Confirmatory Column N/A
4. Detector LC/MSD

5. Other Confirmatory Techniques MS/Model API2000, Perking Elmer/Sciex

6. Other Relevant Information N/A

G. Detection and Quantitation Limits \_\_\_\_\_

1. Limits of Quantitation (LOQ)

Claimed in Method 10.0 ng/g (ppb) Estimated 10.0 ng/g (ppb)

2. Method Detection Limit (MDL)

Claimed in Method 3.0 ng/g (ppb) Estimated 3.0 ng/g (ppb)

H. Recovery (Accuracy) Data : The mean recoveries, SD, and RSD's

LOD- 3.0ng/g Cyhalofop-acid, SD-2.5  
LOQ- 10.0 ng/g Cyhalofop-acid, 83.6%, SD-8.4, RSD-10.0  
5 x LOQ- 50ng/g Cyhalofop-acid, 90.2%, SD-6.9, RSD-7.7  
50 x LOQ- 500ng/g Cyhalofop-acid, 89.7 %, SD-5.4, RSD-6.0

LOD- 3.0ng/g Cyhalofop-amide, SD-2.4  
LOQ- 10.0ng/g Cyhalofop-amide, 87.6%, SD-8.1, RSD-9.2  
5 x LOQ- 50ng/g Cyhalofop-amide, 87.6%, SD-8.0, RSD-9.1  
50 x LOQ-500ng/g Cyhalofop-amide, 85.9%, SD-8.8, RSD-10.2

LOD-3.0ng/g Cyhalofop-diacid, SD-4.7  
LOQ-10ng/g Cyhalofop-diacid, 91.8%, SD-15.7, RSD-17.1  
5 x LOQ- 50ng/g Cyhalofop-diacid, 81.6%, SD-6.4, RSD-7.8  
50xLOQ-500ng/g Cyhalofop-diacid, 80.7%, SD-5.7, RSD-7.0

LOD-3.0ng/g Cyhalofop-FHPBA, SD-2.6  
LOQ-10.0ng/g Cyhalofop-FHPBA, 50.9%, SD-8.8, RSD-17.2  
5 x LOQ-50ng/g Cyhalofop-FHPBA, 52.1%, SD-8.3, RSD-16.0  
50x LOQ-500ng/g Cyhalofop-FHPBA, 53.8%, SD-7.0, RSD-13.0

I. Precision Data See Recovery Data (H.) for Precision Data

Review

IV. Detailed Information about the Method	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Review Futher</u>
A. Is the Method marked CONFIDENTIAL?	<u>      </u>	<u>X</u>	<u>      </u>

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Review Futher</u>
B. Is it the most up-to-date method?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
C. Does the method require spiking with the analyte (s) of interest?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
D. If the method requires spiking explosive or carcinogenic reagents, are proper precautions explained?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
E. Is the following information supplied?			
1. Detailed stepwise description of			
a. The sample preparation procedure	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
b. The sample spiking procedure	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
c. The extraction procedure	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
d. The derivatization procedure	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
e. The cleanup procedure	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
f. The analysis procedure	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
2. Procedures for			
a. Preparation of standards	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
b. Calibration of instrument	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
3. List of glassware and chemicals			
a. Are sources recommended	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
b. Are they commercially available?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
4. Name model, etc., of the instrument, column, detector, etc., used			
a. Are sources recommended?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
b. Are they commercially available?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Review Futher</u>
5. MDL			
a. Is there an explanation of how it was calculated?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
b. Is it a scientifically accepted procedure?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
c. Is the matrix blank free of interference(s) at the retention time, wavelength, etc., of the analyte(s) of intrest?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
6. LOQ			
a. Is there an explanation of how it was calculated?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
b. Is it a scientifically accepted procedure?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
7. Precision and accuracy data			
a. Were there an adequate number of spiked samples analyzed?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
b. Are the mean recoveries between 70-120%? *Cyhalofop-FHPBA, 51-54%	<u>*X</u>	_____	_____
c. Are the RSDs of the replicates 20% or less at the LOQ, or above?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
8. Description and/or explanation of			
a. Areas where problems may be encountered?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
b. Steps that are critical?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
c. Interferences that may be encountered?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
9. Characterization of the matrix(es)	<u>X</u>	_____	_____

V. Respresentative Chromatograms

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Review Futher</u>
A. Are there representative Chromatograms for			
1. Analyte(s) in each matrix at the MDL, LOQ, and 10 x LOQ?	<u>*X</u>	_____	_____
2. Method blanks?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
3. Matrix blank?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
4. Standard curves?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
5. Standards that can be used to recalculate some of the values for analyte(s) in the sample chromatograms?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
*LOQ only			
B. Can the responses of the analyte(s) in the chromatograms of the spiking level be accurately measured?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
VI. Good Laboratory Practice Standards (GLP)			
A. Is there a statement of adherence to the FIFRA/GLP?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
VII. Independent Lab Validation (ILV)			
A. Was an ILV performed?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
B. Did the ILV's percision/accuracy data meet the criteria established on page 3 of the Data Reporting Guidelines (OPP-00405) FRL-4943-5)?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
C. Were recommendations of major or min or modifications to the method made by the independent lab performing the ILV? If major modifications were suggested, what were they?	_____	<u>X</u>	_____
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VIII. Completeness	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Review Further</u>
A. Has enough information been supplied to do a proper review?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
B. Has enough information been supplied to do a laboratory evaluation, if requested?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
C. Are all steps in the method scientifically sound?	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
D. Is a confirmatory method or technique provided?	_____	<u>X</u>	_____
E. Check the category below which best describes this ECM.			
1. Satisfactory	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
2. Major Deficiencies	_____	_____	_____
3. Minor Deficiencies	_____	_____	_____

Recommendations

This study provides a acceptable residue method for Cyhalofop-butyl and metabolites in sediment and soil. Overall, the method appears satisfactory with the data being used to support the original method "Determination of Residues of Cyhalofop-butyl and Metabolite in Sediment and Soil by Liquid Chromatography with Mass Spectrometry Detection". With the information available from the original method, it is felt a method review can be preformed.

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Date Initial Review was Assigned: February 28, 2002

Date Initial Review was Completed: March 18, 2002

Date Final Review was Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Laboratory Chief: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (s) (print) and Signature (s) of Other Reviewers: Henry Shoemaker, Henry Shoemaker

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