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Project Title

Biodegradation Testing

ID

0218-AML-01 -- 1 rev. 1

Entry Date 2/8/2018

Project Summary

The OECD 301B method is designed to provide the screening of chemicals for ready biodegradability in an aerobic aqueous medium. Samples are required to achieve a threshold of 60% degradation based on the maximum available carbon from a given sample formulation. Total carbon is determined analytically for each sample and used as the reference for the determination of the percentage of carbon dioxide (% ThCO₂) produced by microbiological degradation.

For the purpose of determining biological degradation, two criteria can be achieved. Ready Biodegradability can be achieved by obtaining the 60% threshold within a 10 day-window within the 28 days of testing. The second criteria, Ultimate Biodegradation, can be achieved if the amount of biodegradation meets or exceeds the 60% threshold at a time point determined in the test (e.g. when the rate of degradation reaches a plateau). For each of these criteria, when achieved, the sample also achieves the requirements needed for classification as 'Inherent Biodegradability'.

One test samples were submitted for OECD 301B biodegradation testing. The result data and graphs were analyzed by curve fit to establish a plateau for the rate of biodegradation (see figures).

Sample 1 - CH12142 Oil Eater Original Formula Cleaner & Degreaser – achieved the requirements for Ready Biodegradability by the OECD 301B standard for degradation of 60% ThCO₂ within a 10 day window of the test timeframe. The test sample achieved Ready Biodegradability by day 20 of the testing with a degradation plateau of 94% ThCO₂, which does meet the requirements for an Ultimate Degradation of 94% by the OECD 301 test standard.

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Recommended Reading

Online Resource for Product Development, Testing, and Inquiry

<http://www.situbiosciences.com/biodegradation/oecd-301b-biodegradation-test-co2-evolution/>

<http://www.situbiosciences.com/biodegradation-doc-co2-o2-measurements-and-method/>

<http://www.situbiosciences.com/biodegradation-testing-overview/>

Sample List

Method Name

Sample #

Sample Name

Sample Notes

OECD 301 B - Solution Biodegradation by CO2 Evolution

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| 1 | CH12142 Oil Eater Original Formula Cleaner & Degreaser |
| 2 | Positive Control - Sodium Acetate |

Project - Images

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| 1 | CH12142 Oil Eater Original Formula Cleaner & Degreaser |
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Result Table

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| Project ID | 0218-AML-01 -- 1 | Entry Date 2/8/2018 | Test Start Date 2/8/2018 |

Result Table *

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|-------------|---|--|--|
| Test Method | OECD 301 B - Solution Biodegradation by CO2 Evolution | | |
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| Sample # | 1 | CH12142 Oil Eater Original Formula Cleaner & Degreaser | |
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| Inoculum | Interval | Result |
|---|----------|--------|
| Environmental Culture (surface water) (1) | | |

Notes Section

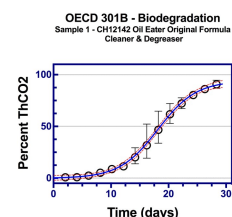
Ready Biodegradability Achieved; 10 day-window = day 11 to day 21, achieved on day 20

20 day

60 % degradation

Image: Sample

Figure – The sample graph shows the test chamber carbon dioxide (CO2) measurement as the percent of theoretical maximum (% ThCO2). Average values are plotted with the standard deviation (+/- SD) for the time course of the test. Curve fit is applied to calculate the predicted fit (blue line). If present, (green) shading below the curve fit applies to the biodegradation requirement (10 to 60% ThCO2) for the determination of Biodegradability and shows that the required degradation amount has been met. Ready Biodegradability requires that this degradation occur within a 10-day window during the test duration of 28 days.



final ultimate degradation

28 day

98 %ThCO2

final sample pH

28 day

7.1 pH

Sample TOC composition = 3.4%

0 TOC TEST

30 mg/L TOC

bacterial concentration

28 day

170000 CFU/ml

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| Sample # | 2 | Positive Control - Sodium Acetate | |
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| Inoculum | Interval | Result |
|---|----------|--------|
| Environmental Culture (surface water) (1) | | |

Notes Section

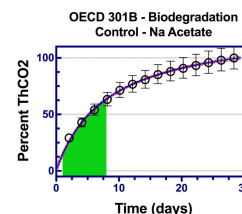
Ready Biodegradability Achieved; 10 day-window = day 1 to day 11, achieved on day 8

8 day

60 % degradation

Image: Control

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final ultimate degradation

28 day

94 %ThCO2

Result Table *

Test Method

OECD 301 B - Solution Biodegradation by CO2 Evolution


Sample # 2 Positive Control - Sodium Acetate

| Inoculum | Interval | Result |
|--|------------|---------------|
| <i>Environmental Culture (surface water) (1)</i> | | |
| <i>Notes Section</i> | | |
| final sample pH | 28 day | 7.4 pH |
| Sample TOC composition = 24% | 0 TOC TEST | 30 mg/L TOC |
| bacterial concentration | 28 day | 450000 CFU/ml |

Test Method

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Sample # 1 CH12142 Oil Eater Original Formula Cleaner & Degreaser

| Inoculum | Interval | Result |
|----------------------|----------|---|
| <i>None ()</i> | | |
| <i>Notes Section</i> | | |
| | time - 0 | sample image |
| <i>Image:</i> Sample | |  |

Result Table *

Test Method - Additional Information

OECD 301 B - Solution Biodegradation

Test conditions:

- inoculum: Surface water from Skokie, IL water district.
- proportion and nature of industrial waste water in sewage: unknown, discharge from waste treatment facility within 1 mile.
- test duration and temperature: 28 days or as indicated, 22C +/- 2C
- bacterial inoculum ~1E5 CFU/ml

Legend

Sample Analysis

TC - Total Carbon determined by catalytic oxidation of the test sample.

IC - Inorganic Carbon

TOC - Total Organic Carbon - determined by the subtraction of TC from IC.

%S - Percent Solids- is the dry (non-volatile) percent of the test sample.

For the sample analysis, percent solids is determined when estimating the weight of material to test. The total carbon (TC) provides an indication of the material composition, but does not provide information on chemical structure or function. Inorganic carbon is typically low in most biodegradable materials, and increases over the course of the test due to the action of the microorganisms in creating waste, or biological compounds that are generated from the consumption of the carbon based test sample. Sample results are provided as a graph showing the raw data and curve fit analysis. Determinations of the percent degradation is based on the curve fit analysis performed with guidance from *OECD Guidelines for the Testing of Chemicals / Section 3: Degradation and Accumulation Test No. 314: Simulation Tests to Assess the Biodegradability of Chemicals Discharged in Wastewater*.

Current Laboratory Standard:

Test measurement uncertainty is based on the established standard provided in SOP 050410 Measurement Uncertainty Estimates.

The current measurement uncertainty for this test method can be found in FORM 050430 measurement uncertainty - Sodium Acetate ThCO₂.

Expanded Uncertainty for the test method of k=2 is for a 95% confidence of (0.08) [+/- 8%] for the 14 day determination.

Expanded Uncertainty for the test method of k=2 is for a 95% confidence of (0.13) [+/- 14%] for the 28 day determination.

Uncertainty Values in theoretical CO₂ production are obtained by the plateau value of a series of sodium acetate test measurements (ThCO₂) and multiply this result by the Expanded Uncertainty (ThCO₂ * EU), then add and subtract from the value (ThCO₂ +/- (ThCO₂ * EU)); which provides the upper and lower limits of 95% confidence in percent theoretical carbon dioxide production.

Stated Method Standard:

For OECD Solution Biodegradability Testing , a interlaboratory test demonstrated a results with Standard deviation of +/- 20% ThCO₂

Ref. CONCAWE Report no. 99/59 A Test Method to ASSESS the Inherent Biodegradability of oil Products

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Technology Director

Report Addendum

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Project ID **0218-AML-01 -- 1** Entry Date 2/8/2018 Test Start Date 2/8/2018

Image Table

Sample # **1** CH12142 Oil Eater Original Formula Cleaner & Degreaser

Test Method OECD 301 B - Solution Biodegradation by CO₂ Evolution

Inoculum Environmental Culture (surface water)

Image: Sample

Timepoint: 20 day

OECD 301B - Biodegradation Sample 1 - CH12142 Oil Eater Original Formula Cleaner & Degreaser

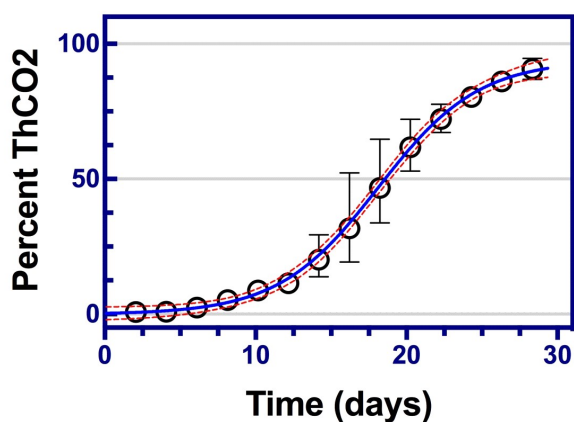


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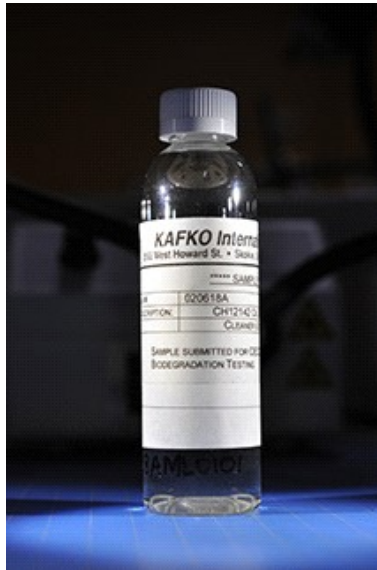
Sample # **1** **CH12142 Oil Eater Original Formula Cleaner & Degreaser**

Test Method **Project - Images**

Inoculum **None**

Image: **Sample**

Timepoint: **time - 0**



Sample # **2** **Positive Control - Sodium Acetate**

Test Method **OECD 301 B - Solution Biodegradation by CO2 Evolution**

Inoculum **Environmental Culture (surface water)**

Image: **Control**

Timepoint: **8 day**

OECD 301B - Biodegradation Control - Na Acetate

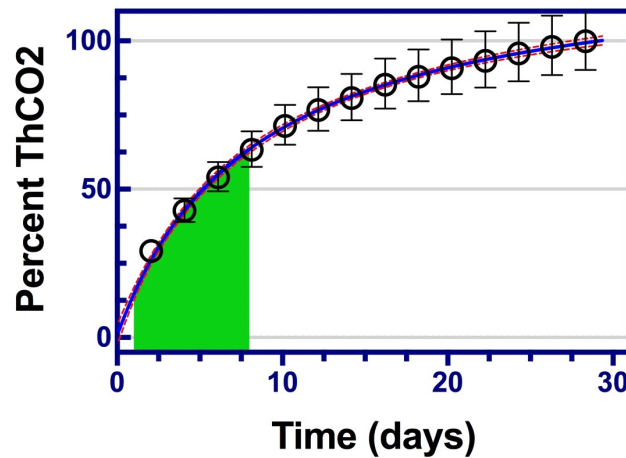


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