

# Proposed Method for Identification of Pesticide Active Ingredients which may Impact Lobster Health



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# Scope of the Project

- **Charge:** “Examine whether current pesticide residues have the potential to affect the lobster resource in Maine directly or via impact on other marine organisms”
- **Today’s Focus:** Identifying currently registered pesticides uses in Maine to which lobsters may be exposed and which may affect lobster health
- **Risks:** a mathematical function of exposure and toxicity
- **Selection of analytes:** Multi-step process

# Step 1. Products and Ingredients

- Identify and characterize pesticides currently registered for use in Maine
  - Biological receptors
    - Target pest; those to be killed, repelled or otherwise mitigated (7 USC Chapter 125, FIFRA 2008)
    - Non-target species; all other species including man
  - “Active Ingredients”
    - Active against the target pest
    - Identified on the label
  - Some products have more than one active ingredient or more than one use

# Step 1. Products and Ingredients

- Identify products and active ingredients (AI) as of 2-24-14
  - 9,471 Federally active pesticide products are registered in Maine
  - 724 Active ingredients
    - Grouped by chemical structure and/or mode of action (MOA)
    - One point in the proposed decision tree is groups of compounds with more than 50 products registered

# Step 1. Products and Ingredients

- Characterize active ingredients
  - Type
    - Insecticide
    - Fungicide
    - Disinfectant etc.
  - Subtype
    - Chemical class,
    - Function (attractant, pheromone etc),
    - Mode of Action (MOA).

Types	“Active Ingredient-Products” as of 2-24-14		Active Ingredients (AI)	
	Number	%	# AI	%
Antifouling	333	2.22	6	0.83
Attractants and Repellents	389	2.59	49	6.77
Fungicides	1,225	8.16	140	19.34
Insecticides	4,873	32.47	177	24.45
Herbicides	2,660	17.72	192	26.52
Disinfectants-Slimacides	5,258	35.03	124	17.13
Miscellaneous	271	1.81	36	4.97
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15,009</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>100</b>

**NOTE: Active ingredient-products, products with more than one active ingredient are double, triple etc. counted)**

## Step 2. Modes of Action (MOA)

- How a chemical interacts with a biological system
- Think in terms of a lock and key
  - Key is the chemical
  - Receptor in the biological system is the lock
    - If the key fits the lock the lock will open (response happens)
    - If the key nearly fits in the lock, the lock is jammed (different response happens)
    - If the key doesn't fit the lock at all, there is no biological effect from this receptor

## Step 2. Modes of Action (MOA)

- An herbicide (key) which interferes with photosynthesis will likely have low impact on aquatic invertebrates, unless the cellular target site (lock) has a commonality
- An insecticide (key) which acts as growth hormone in insects will like have high impact on lobster, If the biological receptor (lock) is the same in both groups of animals

## Step 2. Modes of Action (MOA)

- MOAs are determined by scientific studies (laboratory and field) in target species
- The MOAs used here are based on the development of resistance in the pest population
- Pesticide active ingredients may have more than one MOA
  - The major MOA as identified by the various international resistance committees are used here
  - There may be other unknown MOAs

## Step 2. Modes of Action (MOA)

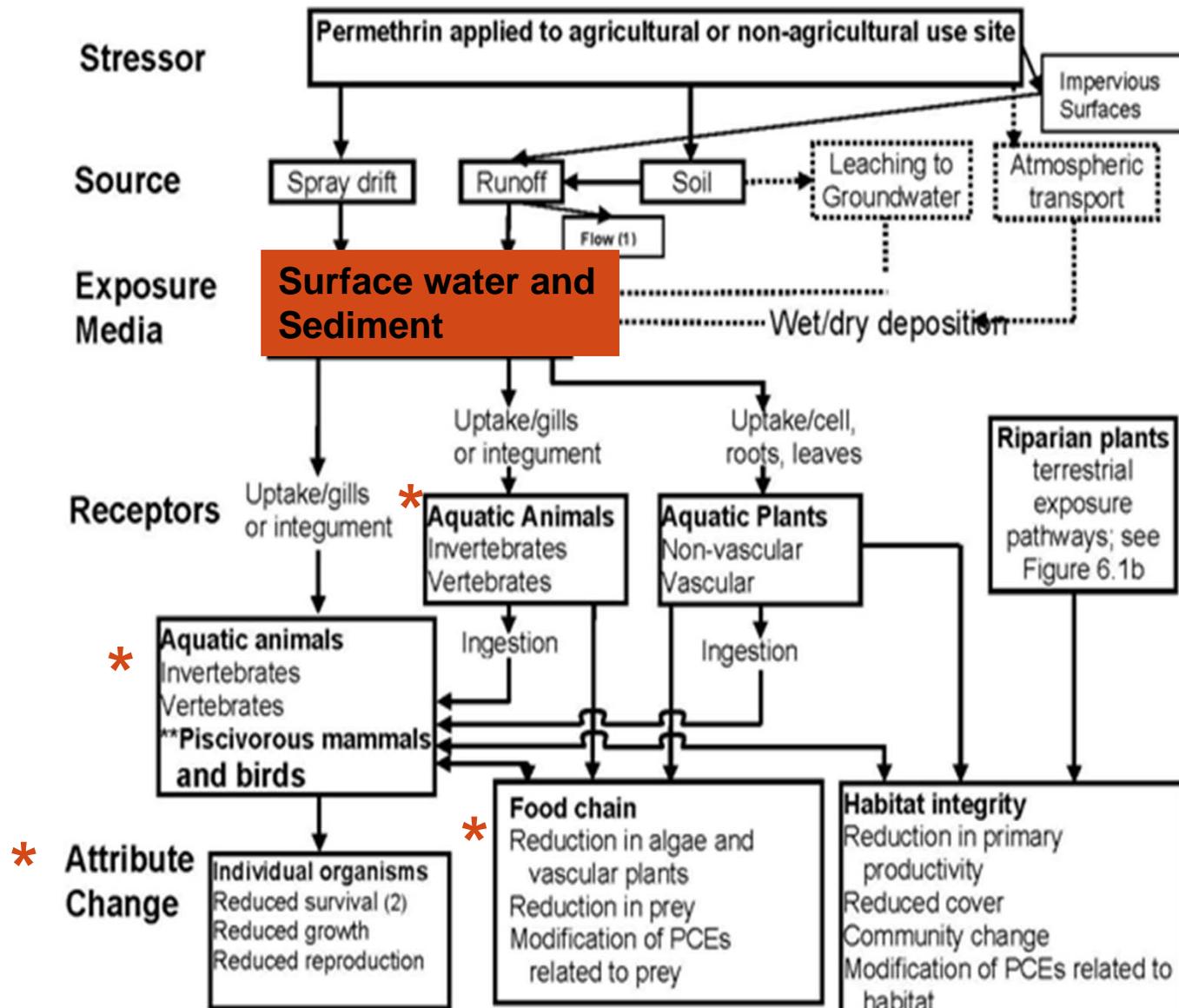
- Identify known MOAs using
  - Insecticide Resistance Action Committee (IRAC) 2012 Report © found at: [www.illac-online.org](http://www.illac-online.org)
  - Classification of Herbicide Site of Action (HRAC) 2014© , found at: <http://www.hracglobal.com/>
  - FRAC Code List © 2013: Fungicides, found at [www.frac.info](http://www.frac.info)
  - Pesticide Manual 2003
  - Goldfrank et al., 1998
- Identify known MOAs of concern (common to target species and aquatic/sediment dwelling invertebrates)

## Grouped Modes of Action of Concern (n = 724)

Group	Active Ingredients
Affecting nervous system	67
Affecting cell metabolism	59
Quaternary Ammonium Chloride Disinfectants	28
Affecting cell structure	19
Chitin inhibitors	6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>188 (26%)</b>

## Excluded MOA Group (n = 724)

Group	# Active Ingredients	Reason
Reactive substances	169	Difficult or impossible to determine source
Physical	41	
Multisite/Others/ Unknown	60	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>270 (37%)</b>	
Plant Specific	163	Specific to target pests
Biological	54	
Attractants/Repellents	49	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>266 (37%)</b>	



\*\*Route of exposure includes only ingestion of fish and aquatic invertebrates.

# Step 3. General Use Patterns

- Pesticide products are registered for particular uses on certain sites at given rates according to the labels
  - What sites (where)
  - How much (rate),
  - Which equipment may be used?
- How pesticides get into the water
  - Intended to be put in the water (1<sup>st</sup> cut; type of product)
  - Surface water runoff (2<sup>nd</sup> cut; environmental fate, See step 4)
  - Misuse or accident

## Step 3. General Use Patterns

- Misuse; indoor products used outdoor or agricultural products at your home etc. are illegal
- Accident; spill, fire etc. are not highly predictable or controllable
- **Do we want to address these in this project? If so, How?**

# Step 3. Direct Applications to Water

Type of Use	Number of Active Ingredients
	Known aquatic uses
Antifouling	6
Disinfectants-Slimacides	30
Fungicides	?
Herbicides	25
Insecticides	12
Others	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>

## Step 4. Environmental Fate Parameters

- Independent of MOA and use site concerns, compounds will be further reviewed, if there are more than 50 products in that chemical-type-MOA class registered
  - Environmental fate
  - Registered sites of interest
    - Aquatic herbicides
    - Antifouling paints

## Step 4. Environmental Fate Parameters

Parameter	Definition	EPA's criteria (a)
Log $K_{ow}$	Log of Water-octanol partition coefficient	$\geq 3$
$K_{oc}$	Soil organic carbon sorption coefficient	$\geq 1,000$
$K_d$	The ratio of sorbed to solution pesticide concentrations after equilibrium of a pesticide in a water/soil slurry (USDA 2013c)	$\geq 50$
Water solubility	ug/L (ppb) or mg/L (ppm) @ 25 °C (77 °F) Standard temperature	

(a) Criteria for requiring toxicity testing on sediment invertebrates

## Step 4. Environmental Fate Parameters

- Data to be reviewed
  - Log Kow and Koc, EPISUITE program (EPA SRC 2014)
    - USDA WIN-PST program (USDA 2013c)
    - Experimental data was given preference over modeled
  - Kd
    - Not used for selection, because it is soil type dependent
    - Koc/100 can be used to approximate unknown Kds (USDA WIN-PST 2013c)

## Step 4. Environmental Fate Parameters

- Data sources EPISUITE (EPA SRC 2014) and WIN-PST (USDA 2013c)
- Temperature Dependent
  - Partition coefficients
  - Solubility in water
- How does the ambient water temperature in Maine marine waters alter these parameters?
- Has EPA published estimated environmental concentrations in marine water?

## Step 5. Environmental Toxicity Data

- Review EPA's most recent environmental risk assessments for toxicity endpoints for marine invertebrates
- Evaluate acute and chronic toxicity to aquatic invertebrates
- If available evaluate the data for marine sediment dwelling invertebrates

## Step 6. Detailed Use Patterns by Product

- Determine the number of unique parent products for AIs of concern registered in Maine
- Use the NSPIRS database to identify general use patterns
  - Indoor only
  - Outdoor only
  - Products which may be used indoor and outdoor
- Review the most recent federally approved label for the parent products, if necessary to verify
  - Indoor only
  - Outdoor only
  - Products which may be used indoor and outdoor

# Step 7. Risk Assessment

- Risks to aquatic species is currently estimated using the risk quotient method
  - **Acute risks;** Ratio of the peak estimated environment concentration to the median lethal concentration (LC50) or median effect concentration (EC50)
  - **Chronic risks;** Ratio of the mean estimated environment concentration to the chronic no observable adverse effect concentration (NOAEC)
- Factors to consider
  - Age of the exposed animals
  - Concentration in the water
  - Duration of residues in the water

# Step 7. Risk Assessment

- In addition to the factors for aquatic organisms
- Sediment dwelling invertebrates
  - May be exposed in sediment or pore water
  - Concerns may be acute or chronic, depending on the half-life of the compound in sediment
  - Aquatic invertebrates have been used as a surrogate for sediment dwelling invertebrates

# Underway

- **Step 4. Environmental Fate Parameters**
- **Step 5. Environmental Toxicity Data**
- **Step 6. Detailed site review by product**
- **Step 7. Risk Assessment**
- **Step 8. Laboratory Analysis**

## Step 8. Laboratory

- Can the laboratory quantify the selected active ingredients in sediment?

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