AMBIENT AQUATIC LIFE WATER QUALITY CRITERIA FOR SILVER

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FOREWORD

Section 304(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act requires the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to publish water quality criteria that accurately reflect the latest scientific knowledge on the kind and extent of all identifiable effects on health and welfare that might be expected from the presence of pollutants in any body of water. Pursuant to that end, this document proposes water quality criteria for the protection of aquatic life. These criteria do not involve consideration of effects on human health.

This document is a draft, distributed for public review and comment. After considering all public comments and making any needed changes, EPA will issue the criteria in final form, at which time they will replace any previously published EPA aquatic life criteria for the same pollutant.

The term "water quality criteria" is used in two sections of the Clean Water Act, section 304(a)(1) and section 303(c)(2). In section 304, the term represents a non-regulatory, scientific assessment of effects. Criteria presented in this document are such scientific assessments. If water quality criteria associated with specific stream uses are adopted by a State as water quality standards under section 303, then they become maximum acceptable pollutant concentrations that can be used to derive enforceable permit limits for discharges to such waters.

Water quality criteria adopted in State water quality standards could have the same numerical values as criteria developed under section 304. However, in many situations States might want to adjust water quality criteria developed under section 304 to reflect local environmental conditions before incorporation into water quality standards. Guidance is available from EPA to assist States in the modification of section 304(a)(1) criteria, and in the development of water quality standards. It is not until their adoption as part of State water quality standards that the criteria become regulatory.

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Introduction

Primary sources of anthropogenic silver in surface waters include industrial and smelting wastes, wastes in jewelry manufacture, or electrical supply, and most importantly, in the production and disposal of photographic materials. In a study of six water treatment facilities, however, Lytle (1984) found the highest influent concentrations of silver in plants receiving no known photoprocessing or industrial silver wastes. Silver, as silver iodide, is used in cloud seeding operations, and atmospheric transport can result in silver in precipitation great distances from target areas. Freeman (1979) suggested that influent ground water might also be an important source of silver in surface waters.

Silver cycling studies by Freeman (1979) showed a strong affinity of silver for aquatic sediments. Sediments contained approximately 1000 times the silver concentrations occurring in overlying waters. Organic sediments (silt, clay) contained two to three times more silver than inorganic sediments (sand, pebble). Dependent on the specific conditions (e.g., redox potential, pH, dissolved oxygen, organic content, etc.) in sediments, silver might be associated with materials such as manganese dioxide, clay minerals, organic ligands, sulfate, sulfite, or occur as elemental silver. Although silver can exist in the 0, +1, +2, and +3 oxidation states, only the 0 and +1states occur to any great extent in the environment. The +1 state is the only one that occurs in substantial concentrations in natural waters. Due to the low solubility product constant (Ksp = 1.8 x 10^{-10}) of silver chloride, chloride has a strong influence on the concentration of free ionic silver (Callahan et al. 1979). Free silver ions are photoreduced to elemental silver by natural sunlight at a rate that is dependent on such factors as the degree of radiation, water clarity, and differential penetration of photoreactive wavelengths.

Chambers and Proctor (1960) found that the germicidal action of silver in distilled water was related to the concentration of silver ions, rather than to the physical nature of the silver from which the ions were derived. Studies with saltwater species have shown that toxicity of silver is related to the concentration of the free +1 ion; however, chlorocomplexes appear to play an important role in the accumulation of silver by saltwater organisms (Engel et al. 1981).

Symptoms of silver intoxication in aquatic organisms appear to be similar to those caused by other heavy metals. Separation and disruption of the gill epithelium is frequently observed, resulting in esphisia. Damage may be the result of silver ions reacting directly at the gill membrane, or as an indirect result of hematological osmotic imbalances (Katz 1979). Although working with a limited data set, Campbell and Stokes (1985) stated that biological responses to silver are generally pH independent.

Unless otherwise noted, all concentrations reported herein are expected to be essentially equivalent to acid-soluble silver concentrations. All concentrations are expressed as silver, not as the chemical tested. A comprehension of the "Guidelines for Deriving Numerical National Water Quality Criteria for the Protection of Aquatic Organisms and Their Uses" (Stephan et al. 1985), hereinafter referred to as the Guidelines, and the response to public comment (U.S. EPA 1985a) is necessary in order to understand the following text, tables, and calculations. Results of such intermediate calculations as recalculated LC50s and Species Mean Acute Values are given to four significant figures to prevent round-off error in subsequent calculations, not to reflect the precision of the value. The criteria presented herein supersede previous national aquatic life water quality criteria for silver (U.S. EPA 1976, 1980a) because these new criteria

were derived using improved procedures and additional information. The latest comprehensive literature search for information for this document was conducted in July, 1986; some more recent information might have been included.

Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Animals

Acceptable data on the acute effects of silver in fresh water are available for twelve species of invertebrates and seven species of fish (Table 1). Although water hardness or associated factors probably influence silver toxicity and the previous freshwater criterion (U.S. EPA 1980) was based on hardness, it has been determined that insufficient data are available at medium and high hardnesses (> 75 mg/L as CaCO₃) upon which to derive national freshwater criterion based upon hardness. The lack of data on silver toxicity at higher hardnesses and the poor agreement between the few data that are available results in poor agreement between species on the regression slopes which were calculated but not presented. Because the freshwater criterion derived herein is weighted by toxicity data from soft waters, criterion concentrations might be overly protective of aquatic organisms in hard waters.

Freshwater Species Mean Acute Values (SMAV) for silver range from 0.9 μ g/L for a cladoceran (Daphnia magna) to 560 μ g/L for a crayfish (Orconectes immunis) (Table 1). Genus Mean Acute Values (GMAV) for the 15 most sensitive genera occur within a small range, 2.155 to 29 μ g/L (Table 3). Although the five most sensitive genera are arthropods, freshwater fishes do not appear to be greatly more resistant to silver intoxication with SMAVs ranging from 8.163 μ g/L for Rhinichthys osculus to 13 μ g/L for Lepomis macrochirus. The Final Acute Value (FAV) in fresh water is 1.833 μ g/L. This value exceeds the SMAV for Daphnia magna (0.9 μ g/L).

The acute toxicity of silver to resident North American saltwater animals has been determined with ten species of invertebrates, including five molluscs, four crustaceans and a polychaete, and eleven species of fish (Table 1). The acute values range from 3 μ g/L for the Eastern oyster, Crassostrea virginica (Zaroogian, Manuscript) to > 1,000,000 μ g/L for the mummichog, a value in excess of silver's solubility (Dorfman 1977). Of the nine most resistant species, eight were fishes. The four most sensitive species include a fish, the summer flounder Paralichthys dentatus, and three bivalve molluscs, including the Eastern oyster; Pacific oyster, Crassostrea gigas and quahog, Mercenaria mercenaria.

The toxicity of silver to several saltwater species has been tested more than once in the same or different laboratories with generally reasonable agreement in acute values. Values ranged from 145 to > 357 μ g/L for the polychaete, Neanthes arenaceodentata (Pesch and Hoffman 1983); from 3 to 37 μ g/L for the Eastern and Pacific oysters (Calabrese et al. 1973; Coglianese 1982; Coglianese and Martin 1981; Dinnel et al. 1983; MacInnes and Calabrese 1978; Zaroogian, Manuscript); from 23.5 to 66 μ g/L for the copepod Acartia tonsa (Lussier and Cardin 1985; Schimmel 1981); from 74.3 to 300 μ g/L for static tests and from 65 to 313 μ g/L for flow-through tests for the mysid Mysidopsis bahia (Schimmel 1981); from 640 to 58,000 μ g/L for static tests and from 441 to 1,876 μ g/L for flow-through tests with the sheepshead minnow, Cyprinodon variegatus (Heitmuller et al. 1981; Schimmel 1981); from 4.7 to 47.7 μ g/L for summer flounder, Paralichthys dentatus (Cardin 1986); and from 196 μ g/L to 503 μ g/L for winter flounder Pseudopleuronectes americanus (Cardin 1986).

Data on the relative sensitivities of early life stages of summer and winter flounder to silver are contradictory. Acute values were similar,

196.3 to 503 μ g/L, in tests which began with embryos just after fertilization, in early clevage, at blastula and one-day-old larvae of the winter flounder (Cardin 1986). In contrast, acute values from flow-through tests that began with embryos in early clevage were 15.5 and 47.7 μ g/L. Acute values were 8 μ g/L in tests that began with embryos at gastrulation and 4.7 μ g/L with the larvae (Cardin 1986).

Of the 19 genera for which saltwater Genus Mean Acute Values are available (Table 3), the most sensitive genus, Crassostrea, is about 190 times more sensitive than the most resistant, Fundulus. Molluscs, including oysters, quahogs, scallops, and squid are particularly sensitive to silver. Certain crustaceans and fishes are similarly sensitive. Acute values are available for more than one species for two genera; the maximum difference in Species Mean Acute Values is a factor of 2.74. The saltwater Final Acute Value for silver was calculated to be 14.50 μ g/L. This value is slightly higher than Species Mean Acute Values for the Eastern and Pacific oysters, and the copepod Acartia clausi and greater than acute values from nine individual tests with these three species and the summer flounder, Paralichthys dentatus.

Chronic Toxicity to Aquatic Animals

Acceptable data on chronic toxicity of silver to freshwater organisms are available for a cladoceran and two species of fish (Table 2). Elnabarawy et al. (1986) conducted life-cycle tests with three cladoceran species, Ceriodaphnia reticulata, Daphnia magna, and D. pulex, but did not measure silver concentrations in test chambers. They reported chronic values of 1.3, < 0.56, and < 0.56 $\mu g/L$, respectively.

The chronic values for the two cladoceran species reported are close to or greater than 48-hr LC50s. Based on these values, most acute-chronic

ratios for the cladocerans are less than 1.0. This is probably due to mitigating influence of the presence of food in the chronic tests. Chapman (1980) reported the 48-hr EC50 for <u>Daphnia magna</u> increased by a factor of 40 when organisms were fed. The mean 21-day LC50 for <u>D. magna</u> of 3.4 μ g/L reported by Nebeker (1982) is greater than its Species Mean Acute Value, 2.557 μ g/L. All studies reported high mortalities in chronic exposures in the first 24-hr period. Although having high acute toxicity in aquatic macroinvertebrates, silver does not appear to have significant cumulative effect in chronic exposures. Nebeker (1982) and co-workers (1983) reported chronic values for <u>D. magna</u> ranging from 2.6 to 28.6 μ g/L, resulting in acute-chronic ratios from 0.3911 to 0.7507.

The effects of chronic exposure to silver have been studied with two fishes, the rainbow trout and fathead minnow. Nebeker et al. (1983) conducted a 60-day early life-stage test with rainbow trout (Salmo gairdneri); growth was reduced at a silver concentration of 1.06 μ g/L. Although small, but statistically significant, growth reductions were observed at the lowest concentrations tested, intermediate concentrations did not produce growth reductions compared to the control. The most sensitive parameter appeared to be survival, which was reduced at 0.51 μ g/L, but not at 0.36 μ g/L. The chronic value for this study was 0.43 μ g/L. Davies et al. (1978) reported a similar effect of silver on survival of rainbow trout. In an 18-month exposure, survival was reduced at 0.17 μ g/L, but was not affected at 0.09 μ g/L. Growth was affected in 18 months at 0.34 μ g/L. The chronic value for this study was 0.12 μ g/L.

Holcombe and co-workers (1983) conducted an early life-stage exposure with the fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>. Growth was reduced at a silver

concentration of 1.07 μ g/L, although no effects on growth were observed at 0.65 μ g/L. Survival of fry was reduced at 0.65 μ g/L, but not at 0.37 μ g/L. The chronic value for the fathead minnow was 0.49 μ g/L. The acute-chronic ratio was 13.66.

Theoretically, acute-chronic ratios should not be less than 1.0. The chronic value in any test must be equal to or less than the acute value. Although the Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio for <u>Daphnia magna</u> was calculated to be 0.4994, considering the mitigating influence of food, as reported by Chapman (1980) and Nebeker et al. (1983), this value might be artificially low. The Acute-Chronic Ratio (ACR) for this species may more realistically be in the range of 15 to 20, which is in general agreement with ACRs for other species tested. Therefore, the ACRs for <u>Daphnia magna</u> were omitted from the calculation of the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio.

The chronic toxicity of silver has been determined in five life-cycle toxicity tests with the saltwater mysid, Mysidopsis bahia (Table 2). Chronic values from these tests conducted at five laboratories ranged from 15.00 to 87.75 μ g/L (McKenney 1982). Reproduction was reduced at 15, 19, and 53 μ g/L in three tests, and both reproduction and survival were reduced at 16 μ g/L in one test. For three of the tests, 96-hr LC50s from flow-through tests using the same dilution water are available. Acute-chronic ratios for these tests ranged from 5.273 to 13.29. The Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio for this mysid is 8.512.

The three useful Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratios are 33.29, 13.66, and 8.512 (Table 3). The geometric mean of these values is 15.70, which is the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio. Division of the freshwater and saltwater Final Acute Values by 15.70 results in freshwater and saltwater Final Chronic Values of 0.1168 and 0.9236 $\mu g/L$, respectively, which are lower than the lowest available chronic values.

Toxicity to Aquatic Plants

Three acceptable tests are available with freshwater species exposed to silver (Table 4). The most sensitive species was the alga Selenastrum capricornutum for which the 96-hr EC50, based on chlorophyll a production, was 2.6 μ g/L (U.S. EPA 1978). Brown and Rattigan (1979) exposed two freshwater vascular plants to silver for 28 days. EC50s for Elodea canadensis and Lemna minor were 7,500 and 270 μ g/L, respectively.

Toxicity tests on silver have been conducted with eight species of saltwater plants (Tables 4 and 6). The 96-hr EC50 for the diatom, Skeletonema costatum, was 130 μ g/L based on cell counts and 170 μ g/L based on chlorophyll a (U.S. EPA 1978). Chlorophyll a was reduced after two days exposure to 5 μ g/L for the dinoflagellate, Glenodinium halli (Wilson and Freeberg 1980). Formation of cystocarps, sexual fusion, in the red alga Champia parvula was reduced by 1.9 μ g/L (Steele and Thursley 1983).

The effect of temperature and salinity on the toxicity of silver has been studied with three phytoplankton species (Wilson and Freeberg 1980). Salinity did not significantly affect the toxicity of silver to the diatom Thalassiosira pseudonana, whereas the dinoflagellate Gymnodinium splendens appeared to be more resistant at higher salinities (Table 6). T. pseudonana was most resistant at temperatures between 16 and 20°C, whereas G. splendens was most resistant at temperatures between 20 and 30°C. Chlorophyll a was reduced about 65% after two days exposure to from 15 to 110 μ g/L for Isochrysis galbana for 13 temperature - salinity combinations; from 13 to 84 μ g/L for T. pseudonana for 25 temperature - salinity combinations; and from 1.3 to 18 μ g/L for G. splendens for 15 temperature - salinity combinations.

A Final Plant Value, as defined in the Guidelines, cannot be obtained because no test in which the concentrations of silver were measured has been conducted with any aquatic plant species.

Bioaccumulation

Two studies reported on silver uptake by freshwater fish (Table 5). Largemouth bass (Micropterus salmoides) muscle tissue had bioconcentration factors (BCF) of 11 and 19 after a 120-day exposure to 1 and 10 μ g/L, respectively. Bluegills (Lepomis macrochirus) exposed for 180 days had whole body BCFs of 15 and 150 at water concentrations of 10 and 100 μ g/L, respectively (Cearley 1971). Both species demonstrated a concentration-dependent BCF. In contrast, Barrows et al. (1980) reported no significant uptake of silver by bluegills in a 28-day exposure. No water concentration was given.

Bioconcentration tests have been conducted on silver with one saltwater species, the blue mussel, Mytilus edulis, (Table 5). The mussels were exposed to three concentrations of silver for 12 to 21 months (Calabrese et al. 1984). The highest BCF observed was 6,500. The BCF decreased with increasing concentration of silver in water and reached a maximum value after 12 months of exposure. Fisher et al. (1984) reported a BCF of 34,000 for the diatom Thalassiosira pseudonana, and 13,000 for the green alga Dunaliella tertiolecta exposed to silver cyanide for 12 hours (Table 6).

No U.S. FDA action level or other maximum acceptable concentration in tissue, as defined in the Guidelines, is available for silver; therefore, no Final Residue Value can be calculated.

Other Data

Other data on the lethal and sublethal effects of silver on aquatic organisms are found in Table 6. Two algal species were tested for onset of inhibition of cell multiplication (Bringman and Kuhn 1977a,1978a,b,1980b). The blue-green alga, Microcystis aeruginosa, was about 14 times more sensitive to silver than the green alga, Scenedesmus quadricauda. The blue-green alga was affected at 0.7 μ g/L, whereas the green alga was not affected at concentrations less than 9.5 μ g/L. Other tests on green algal species produced EC50s or reduced growth effects in 6- to 21-day exposures ranging from 6.4 to 100 μ g/L. In general, bacteria were about as sensitive as algae to silver. However, the duration of exposures was much shorter (0.5 to 16 hr) for the bacteria tests than for the algal tests (6-21 day).

Bringmann and Kuhn (1959a,1980a,b,c) tested three species of protozoans for incipient inhibition. Results ranged from 2.6 μ g/L for a 48-hr exposure of Chilomonas paramaecium to 580 μ g/L for a 72-hr exposure of Entosiphon sulcatum.

Nehring (1976) ran 14-day exposures to silver with two species of immature insects. A mayfly nymph, Ephemerella grandis, was the most sensitive with a 14-day LC50 of < 1 μ g/L and a stonefly naiad, Pteronarcys californica, was nearly as sensitive with a 14-day LC50 of 4 to 9 μ g/L. Bioconcentration factors (BCF) were determined for each species at death in exposures of 1 to 14 days. BCFs varied inversely with exposure concentration. This may have been the result of increased bioconcentration with lower exposure levels or due to early deaths at the higher exposure concentrations. Mean BCFs of 37 to 84 were reported in the stonefly and mayfly, respectively.

Davies et al. (1978) exposed rainbow trout embryos and larvae for 5 and 22 weeks. They observed premature hatching at concentrations as low as $2.2~\mu g/L$. Rombough (1985) exposed rainbow trout embryos to silver and reported median time to death (LT50). He also exposed a group of embryos with the zonae radiatae (egg capsule) removed. Median time to death was inversely related to exposure concentration for all embryos. Embryos without the zonae radiatae were more sensitive to silver.

Birge (1978) and Birge et al. (1978) exposed two species of fish and two species of amphibians to silver during early life stages. EC50s (dead and deformed larvae) ranged from 10 to 240 μ g/L for 7 to 8-day exposures. These results are greater than most of the Species Mean Acute Values for fishes found in Table 1.

LaPoint et al. (1984) related silver concentrations in a Texas stream to benthic invertebrate community dynamics. Although silver levels were high, attaining a maximum of 79.9 $\mu g/L$, other factors, such as extreme nutrient loading, appeared to obscure any effects caused solely by silver.

Wilson and Freeberg (1980) studied the effects of temperature and salinity on the toxicity of silver to several species of saltwater unicellular algae. For the most extensively studied species, the diatom Thalassiosira pseudonana, silver was more toxic at temperatures above and below 20°C. For a particular temperature, the toxicity tended to decrease with increasing salinity, except for the combination of 20°C and 3 g/kg salinity, which was the least toxic combination tested. The dinoflagellate Gymnodinium splendens also was more resistant to silver at higher salinities.

Several studies have been conducted with macroalgae (Boney et al. 1959; Steele and Thursby 1983). A significant decrease in the growth of female gametophytes of the red alga Champia parvula was observed after two days of

exposure to 3.2 $\mu g/L$. No cystocarp formation occurred at concentrations above 1.2 $\mu g/L$.

An interlaboratory comparison was performed with the polychaete Neanthes are nace odentata (Pesch and Hoffman 1983). Ability to burrow was the effect tested. The geometric mean values for the 96-hr and 28-day EC50s were 158.6 and 158.7 μ g/L, respectively, which indicates that no additional toxicity occurred during the last 24 days of the test. Windom et al. (1982) studied the uptake of silver from food by a polychaete.

A number of studies of physiological or biochemical effects have been conducted with polychaetes (Pereira and Kanungo 1981), snails (MacInnes and Thurberg 1973), bivalves (Calabrese et al. 1977a,1984; Thurberg et al. 1974,1975), crustaceans (Calabrese et al. 1977b) and fish (Calabrese et al. 1977b; Gould and MacInnes 1977; Jackim 1974; Jackim et al. 1970; Thurberg and Collier 1977). Ionic imbalances in the coelomic fluid and a significant decrease in respiration were observed with the blue mussel, Mytilus edulis, the Eastern oyster, Crassostrea virginica, the surf clam, Spisula solidissima, the quahog, Mercenaria mercenaria, and the soft-shell clam, Mya arenaria, after 96-hr exposures to silver concentrations of 50 to $\mu g/L$.

Dinnel et al. (1982,1983) conducted tests with gametes and embryos of many species of echinoderms. The EC50s, based on sperm cell fertilization success after 60-min exposures, ranged from 29.8 to 115.3 μ g/L for the four species tested. The most sensitive effect observed was the percentage of larvae developing to the pluteus stage after 5 days of exposure. The lowest EC50 based on this effect was 14.9 μ g/L for the sea urchin Strongylocentrotus droebachiensis.

The effect of silver on the early life stages of winter flounder,

Pseudopleuronectes americanus, was investigated by Klein-MacPhee et al. (1984)

and Voyer et al. (1982). A significant increase in larval mortality was observed after 18 days of exposure to 92 $\mu g/L$. Growth was significantly reduced by 180 $\mu g/L$.

Unused Data

Some data on the effects of silver on aquatic organisms were not used because the studies were conducted with species that are not resident in North America (e.g., Khangarot and Ray 1987a; Khangarot et al. 1985; Laroze 1955). McFeters et al. (1983) tested a brine alga, which is too atypical to be used in deriving national criteria. Doudoroff and Katz (1953), Engel et al. (1981), Ganther (1980), Goettl et al. (1976), Jenne et al. (Manuscript), Kay (1984), LeBlanc (1984), Lockhart (Manuscript), Phillips and Russo (1978), Whitton (1970), and the International Joint Commission (1976) compiled data from other sources.

Results were not used when the test procedures were not adequately described (Ding et al. 1982; Fitzgerald 1967; Goettl et al. 1974,1976; Hassell 1962; Ishizake et al. 1966; Palmer and Maloney 1955; Tanaka and Cleland 1978). Acute and chronic tests with fathead minnows from Davies (1976), Davies and Goettl (1978), LeBlanc et al. (1984) and EG & G, Bionomics (1979) were not used because silver concentrations were measured using a silver electrode (Chudd 1983), and it is expected that results would have been substantially different had they been reported in terms of acid-soluble silver.

Data were not used when silver was a component of an effluent or mixture (Bryan et al. 1983; Doudoroff et al. 1966; Greig 1979; Lewis 1986; Lopez-Avila et al. 1985; Luoma and Jenne 1975; Malins et al. 1984; Martin et al. 1984; McDermott et al. 1976; Parsons et al. 1973; Reynolds 1979; Roesijadi et al. 1984; Terhaar et al. 1972; Young and Lisk 1972). Data were

not used when the organisms were exposed to silver by injection or gavage (Hibiya and Orguri 1961; Storebakken et al. 1981). Christensen (1971), Christensen and Tucker (1976), and Dalmon and Bayen (1976) only exposed enzymes, excised or homogenized tissue, or cell cultures.

Tests conducted without controls (Albright and Wilson 1974; Coleman and Clearley 1974) were not used. Data from Buikema et al. (1973, 1974a,b) were not used due to possible reproductive interactions. High control mortalities occurred in a life-cycle test reported by McKenney (1982). Data from Hale (1977) was not used because dilution water contained high concentrations of other heavy metals.

Results of some laboratory tests were not used because the tests were conducted in distilled or deionized water without addition of appropriate salts (Chambers and Proctor 1960; Jones 1939,1940; Mukai 1977; Shaw and Groshkin 1957; Shaw and Lowrance 1956). Watanabe and Takimoto (1977) tested silver toxicity in duckweed at a pH below 6.5. Dilution waters used by Hannan and Patouillet (1972) contained high organic levels. Results from Bringmann and Kuhn (1977b) were not used because organisms were cultured and tested in different waters.

Results of laboratory bioconcentration tests were not used when the concentration of silver in the test solution was not adequately measured (Goettl and Davies 1978). Reports of the concentrations of silver in wild aquatic organisms (Amiard 1978a, b, 1979; Bryan et al. 1983; Eisler et al. 1978; Estabrook et al. 1985; Feldt and Melzer 1978; Hall et al. 1978; Jones et al. 1985; Lucas and Edgington 1970; Martin, Manuscript; Martin and Flegal 1975; Martin and Knauer 1972; Martin et al. 1984; Nelson et al. 1983; Reynolds 1979; Strong and Luoma 1981; Telitchenko et al. 1970; Tong et al. 1972; Van Coillie and Rousseau 1974) were not used to calculate

bioaccumulation factors due to an insufficient number of measurements of the concentration of silver in water. BCFs obtained from microcosm or model ecosystem studies were not used when the concentration of silver in water decreased with time (Terhaar et al. 1977).

Summary

The toxicity of silver is probably influenced by water hardness or related factors, although insufficient data are available on which to base national freshwater criteria upon hardness. Silver is highly toxic to both freshwater macroinvertebrates and fishes in acute exposures. Acute values ranged from 0.9 μ g/L to 29 μ g/L for the 15 most sensitive species. A crayfish, Orconectes immunis, was the most resistant species to silver with a 96-hr LC50 of 560 μ g/L. The six most sensitive species were arthropods.

Data are available for a cladoceran and two species of fish in chronic exposures. Chronic values for cladocerans were above acute values that were obtained in acute tests in which the organisms were not fed, but were below acute values obtained in acute tests in which the organisms were fed. Mean chronic values were 0.2272 and 0.49 μ g/L for rainbow trout and fathead minnows, respectively. Their respective acute-chronic ratios were 33.29 and 13.66. Freshwater vascular plants appeared to be relatively insensitive to silver, although algae and other microorganisms were reported to be very sensitive. Uptake of silver was reported for several organisms. Bioconcentration factors ranged from less than detectable to 150.

Acute toxicity values for silver are available for 21 species of saltwater animals including ten species of invertebrates and eleven species of fish. Acute values range from 3 $\mu g/L$ for the Eastern oyster to

> 1,000,000 for the mummichog. Fishes are generally resistant except for sensitive early life stages. The four most sensitive species include embryo and larval stages of the summer flounder, Eastern oyster, Pacific oyster, and quahog.

The chronic toxicity of silver has been determined in five life-cycle toxicity tests with the saltwater mysid, Mysidopsis bahia. Chronic values ranged from 15.00 to 87.75 μ g/L based primarily on decreases in reproduction. Acute-chronic ratios for the three tests for which 96-hr LC50s were available ranged from 5.273 to 13.29. The toxicity of silver has been determined with eight species of saltwater plants. Four species, Thalassiosira pseudonana, Glenodinium halli, Gymnodinium splendens, and Champia parvula were affected in one or more tests at concentrations below the acute value for the most sensitive saltwater animal. The blue mussel can bioconcentrate silver from 1,056 to 6,500 times the concentration in water. Embryonic development of sea urchins and surf clam embryos was affected and physiological or histological changes occurred in American lobsters, surf clams, and blue mussels at concentrations below the acute value for the most sensitive saltwater animal.

National Criteria

The procedures described in the "Guidelines for Deriving Numerical National Water Quality Criteria for the Protection of Aquatic Organisms and Their Uses" indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, freshwater aquatic organisms and their uses should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of silver does not exceed 0.12 μ g/L more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed 0.92 μ g/L more than once every three years on the average.

The procedures described in the "Guidelines for Deriving Numerical National Water Quality Criteria for the Protection of Aquatic Organisms and Their Uses" indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, saltwater aquatic organisms and their uses should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of silver does not exceed 0.92 μ g/L more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed 7.2 μ g/L more than once every three years on the average.

Implementation

Because of the variety of forms of silver in ambient water and the lack of definitive information about their relative toxicities to aquatic species, no available analytical measurement is known to be ideal for expressing aquatic life criteria for silver. Previous aquatic life criteria for metals and metalloids (U.S. EPA 1980b) were expressed in terms of the total recoverable measurement (U.S. EPA 1983a), but newer criteria for metals and metalloids have been expressed in terms of the acid-soluble measurement (U.S. EPA 1985b). Acid-soluble silver (operationally defined as the silver that passes through a 0.45 μ m membrane filter after the sample has been acidified to a pH between 1.5 and 2.0 with nitric acid) is probably the best measurement at the present for the following reasons:

- 1. This measurement is compatible with nearly all available data concerning toxicity of silver to, and bioaccumulation of silver by, aquatic organisms. It is expected that the results of tests used in the derivation of the criteria would not have been substantially different if they had been reported in terms of acid-soluble silver.
- 2. On samples of ambient water, measurement of acid-soluble silver will probably measure all forms of silver that are toxic to aquatic life or

can be readily converted to toxic forms under natural conditions. In addition, this measurement probably will not measure several forms, such as silver that is occluded in minerals, clays, and sand or is strongly sorbed to particulate matter, that are not toxic and are not likely to become toxic under natural conditions. Although this measurement (and many others) will measure soluble complexed forms of silver, such as the EDTA complex of silver, that probably have low toxicities to aquatic life, concentrations of these forms probably are negligible in most ambient water.

- 3. Although water quality criteria apply to ambient water, the measurement used to express criteria is likely to be used to measure silver in aqueous effluents. Measurement of acid-soluble silver is expected to be applicable to effluents because it will measure precipitates, such as carbonate and hydroxide precipitates of silver, that might exist in an effluent and dissolve when the effluent is diluted with receiving water. If desired, dilution of effluent with receiving water before measurement of acid-soluble silver might be used to determine whether the receiving water can decrease the concentration of acid-soluble silver because of sorption.
- 4. The acid-soluble measurement is expected to be useful for most metals and metalloids, thus minimizing the number of samples and procedures that are necessary.
- 5. The acid-soluble measurement does not require filtration of the sample at the time of collection, as does the dissolved measurement.
- 6. The only treatment required at the time of collection is preservation by acidification to a pH between 1.5 and 2.0, similar to that required for the total recoverable measurement.

- 7. Durations of 10 minutes to 24 hours between acidification and filtration of most samples of ambient water probably will not affect the result substantially.
- 8. Ambient waters have much higher buffer intensities at a pH between 1.5 and 2.0 than they do at a pH between 4 and 9 (Stumm and Morgan 1981).
- 9. Differences in pH within the range of 1.5 to 2.0 probably will not affect the result substantially.
- 10. The acid-soluble measurement does not require a digestion step, as does the total recoverable measurement.
- 11. After acidification and filtration of the sample to isolate the acidsoluble silver, the analysis can be performed using either atomic
 absorption spectrophotometric or ICP-atomic emission spectrometric
 analysis (U.S. EPA 1983a), as with the total recoverable measurement.
 Thus, expressing aquatic life criteria for silver in terms of the acidsoluble measurement has both toxicological and practical advantages. The

soluble measurement has both toxicological and practical advantages. The U.S. EPA is considering development and approval of a method for a measurement such as acid-soluble.

Metals and metalloids might be measured using the total recoverable

method (U.S. EPA 1983a). This would have two major impacts because this method includes a digestion procedure. First, certain species of some metals and metalloids cannot be measured because the total recoverable method cannot distinguish between individual oxidation states. Second, in some cases these criteria would be overly protective when based on the total recoverable method because the digestion procedure will dissolve silver that is not toxic and cannot be converted to a toxic form under natural conditions. Because no measurement is known to be ideal for expressing aquatic life criteria for silver or for measuring silver in ambient water or aqueous effluents, measurement of both acid-soluble silver and total recoverable silver in

ambient water or effluent or both might be useful. For example, there might be cause for concern when total recoverable silver is much above an applicable limit, even though acid-soluble silver is below the limit.

In addition, metals and metalloids might be measured using the dissolved method, but this would also have several impacts. First, in many toxicity tests on silver the test organisms were exposed to both dissolved and undissolved silver. If only the dissolved silver had been measured, the acute and chronic values would be lower than if acid-soluble or total recoverable silver had been measured. Therefore, water quality criteria expressed as dissolved silver would be lower than criteria expressed as acidsoluble or total recoverable silver. Second, not enough data are available concerning the toxicity of dissolved silver to allow derivation of a criterion based on dissolved silver. Third, whatever analytical method is specified for measuring silver in ambient surface water will probably also be used to monitor effluents. If effluents are monitored by measuring only the dissolved metals and metalloids, carbonate and hydroxide precipitates of metals would not be measured. Such precipitates might dissolve, due to dilution or change in pH or both, when the effluent is mixed with receiving water. Fourth, measurement of dissolved silver requires filtration of the sample at the time of collection. For these reasons, it is recommended that aquatic life criteria for silver not be expressed as dissolved silver.

As discussed in the Water Quality Standards Regulation (U.S. EPA 1983b) and the Foreword to this document, a water quality criterion for aquatic life has regulatory impact only after it has been adopted in a state water quality standard. Such a standard specifies a criterion for a pollutant that is consistent with a particular designated use. With the concurrence of the U.S. EPA, states designate one or more uses for each body of water or segment thereof and adopt criteria that are consistent with the use(s) (U.S. EPA

1983c, 1987). In each standard a state may adopt the national criterion, if one exists, or, if adequately justified, a site-specific criterion.

Site-specific criteria may include not only site-specific criterion concentrations (U.S. EPA 1983c), but also site-specific, and possibly pollutant-specific, durations of averaging periods and frequencies of allowed excursions (U.S. EPA 1985c). The averaging periods of "one hour" and "four days" were selected by the U.S. EPA on the basis of data concerning how rapidly some aquatic species react to increases in the concentrations of some pollutants, and "three years" is the Agency's best scientific judgment of the average amount of time aquatic ecosystems should be provided between excursions (Stephan et al. 1985; U.S. EPA 1985c). However, various species and ecosystems react and recover at greatly differing rates. Therefore, if adequate justification is provided, site-specific and/or pollutant-specific concentrations, durations, and frequencies may be higher or lower than those given in national water quality criteria for aquatic life.

Use of criteria, which have been adopted in state water quality standards, for developing water quality-based permit limits and for designing waste treatment facilities requires selection of an appropriate wasteload allocation model. Although dynamic models are preferred for the application of these criteria (U.S. EPA 1985c), limited data or other considerations might require the use of a steady-state model (U.S. EPA 1986). Guidance on mixing zones and the design of monitoring programs is also available (U.S. EPA 1985c, 1987).

Table 1. Acute Toxicity of Silver to Aquatic Animals

Species	<u>Method^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO₃)</u>	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/L)^b</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µq/L)	Reference
			FRESHWATER SPECI	<u>ES</u>		
Hydra, <u>Hydra</u> sp.	S, M	Silver nitrate	46.6	26	26	Brooke et al. 1986
Leech, Nephelopsis obscurq	S, M	Silver nitrate	46.6	53	-	Brooke et al. 1986
Leech, Nephelopsis obscura	F, M	Silver nitrate	44.7	29	29	Holcombe et al. 1987
Snail (adult), Aplexa hypnorum	R, M	Silver nitrate	50.4	241 (-	Holcombe et al. 1983
Snail, Aplexa hypnorum	F, M	Silver nitrate	44.7	83	83	Holcombe et al. 1987
Cladoceran, <u>Ceriodaphnia reticul</u>	S, U ata	-	45.	11	-	Mount and Norberg 1984
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Ceriodaphnia reticul</u>	S, U <u>ata</u>	Silver nitrate	240	1.4	3.924	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran, <u>Daphnia</u> <u>magna</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	54	2.2	-	Lemke 1981
Cladoceran, <u>Daphnia magna</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	-	1.07	-	Lemke 1981

<u>Species</u>	<u>Net hod^q</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO₃)</u>	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/l)^b</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	Reference
Cladoceran, <u>Daphnia</u> ma <u>qna</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	-	0.64	-	Lemke 1981
Cladoceran, <u>Daphnia</u> magna	S, U	Silver nitrate	-	0.39	- -	Lemke 1981
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia</u> magna	S, M	Silver nitrate	255	48. (45)	-	Nebeker 1982; Lemke 1981
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia</u> <u>magna</u>	S, N	Silver nitrate	255	55. (49)	-	Nebeker 1982; Lemke 1981
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia magna</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	73	8.4	-	Nebeker 1982; Lemke 1981
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia magna</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	73	14.9	<u>-</u>	Nebeker 1982; Lemke 1981
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphniä magna</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	60	1.1	-	Nebeker 1982; Lemke 1981
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia magna</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	60	0.6	-	Nebeker 1982; Lemke 1981

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Table 1. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Net hod^a</u>	Chemical	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO₃)</u>	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/L)^b</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µq/L)	Reference
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia</u> magna	S, M	Silver nitrațe	46	0.63	- -	Nebeker 1982; Lemke 1981
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia</u> magna	S, M	Silver nitrate	46	0.66	-	Nebeker 1982; Lemke 1981
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia magna</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	46	0.9	-	Nebeker 1982; Lemke 1981
Cladoceron (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia</u> <u>magna</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	46	1.03	<u> </u>	Nebeker 1982; Lemke 1981
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia</u> magna	S, M	Silver nitrate	54	2.9	-	Nebeker 1982; Lemke 1981
Cladoceran (24 hr), Daphnia magna	S, M	Silver nitrate	47	0.24	-	Chapman 1980
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia</u> magna	S, M	Silver nitrate	60	1.1		Nebeker et al. 1983
Cladoceran (<24 hr), Daphnia magna	S, M	Silver nitrate	38-40	0.6	-	Nebeker et al. 1983

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Table 1. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Method^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO</u> 3)	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/l</u>) ^b	Species Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	Reference
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia</u> <u>magna</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	38-40	-	-	Nebeker et al. 1983
Cladaceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia magna</u>	S, U	-	72	1.5	-	LeBlanc 1980
Cladaceran (adult), <u>Baphnia</u> <u>magna</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	240	10	-	Khangarot and Ray 1987b
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia maqna</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	240	1.5	-	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran (<24 hr), Daphnia magna	F, M	Silver nitrate	44.7	0.9	0.9	Holcombe et al. 1987
Cladoceran (<24 hr), <u>Daphnia</u> <u>pulex</u>	S, U	-	45	14.	-	Mount and Norberg 1984
Cladoceran (<24 hr), Daphnia pulex	S, U	Silver nitrate	240	1.9	5.158	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran, Simocephalus vetulus	S, U	-	45 .	15	15	Mount and Norberg 1984
Amphipod, Crangonyx pseudograc	R, U ilis	Silver nitrate	50	5.	5	Martin and Holdich

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Table 1. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Method^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO</u> 3)	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/L)^b</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	Reference
Amphipod (adult), <u>Gammarus</u> <u>pseudolimnae</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	48.1	4.5	4.5	Lima et al. 1982; Call et al. 1983
Mayfly (nymph), <u>Leptophlebia</u> sp.	S, M	Silver nitrate	46.6	2.2	2.2	Brooke et al. 1986
Midge (3rd instar), <u>Tanytarsus</u> <u>dissimilis</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	47.9	3,160	-	Lima et al. 1982; Call et al. 1983
Midge (larva), <u>Tanytorsus</u> <u>dissimilis</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	44.7	420	420	Holcombe et al. 1987
Crayfish, Orconectes immunis	F, M	Silver nitrate	44.7	560	560	Holcombe et al. 1987
Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo</u> <u>gairdneri</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	48	19.92	· -	Lemke 1981
Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	255	240	-	Lemke 1981
Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	54	48	-	Lemke 1981
Rainbow trout (larva), Salmo gairdneri	S, M	Silver nitrate	46.1	11.8	-	Lemke 1981

<u>Species</u>

<u>Nethod^a</u>

Chemical

	Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo</u> gairdneri	S, M	Silver nitrate	75	24.6	-	Lemke 1981
	Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo</u> <u>gairdneri</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	48	31 . 80	-	Lemke 1981
	Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo</u> gairdneri	S, M	Silver nitrate	255	280	-	Lemke 1981
	Rainbow trout (larva), Salmo gairdneri	S, M	Silver nitrate	54	54	-	Lemke 1981
27	Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo</u> gai <u>rdneri</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	46	108.9	,	Lemke 1981
	Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo</u> <u>gairdneri</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	75	22.5	-	Lemke 1981
	Rainbow trout (juvenile), <u>Salmo</u> <u>gairdneri</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	40	72.9	-	Nebeker et al. 1983
	Rainbow trout (juvenile), <u>Salmo</u> gairdn <u>eri</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	37	84.4	-	Nebeker et al. 1983

Hardness

(mg/L as

CoCO3)

LC50

or EC50 (μg/L)^b Species Mean

(µg/L)

Reference

Acute Value

<u>Species</u>	<u>Nethod^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L as ·· <u>CaCO</u> 3)	LC50 or EC50 <u>(μg/L)</u> b	Species Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	Reference
Rainbow trout (juvenile), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	26	10.9		Nebeker et al. 1983
Rainbow trout (juvenile), Salmo gairdneri	S, M	Silver nitrate	35	8.5	, -	Nebeker et al. 1983
Rainbow trout (tarva), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	F, Ų	Silver nitrate	54	16.38	-	Lemke 1981
Rainbow trout (69 mm), Salmo gairdneri	F, M	Silver nitrate	31	5.3	-	Davies et al. 1978; Goettl and Davies 1978
Rainbow trout (146 mm), <u>Salmo</u> <u>qairdneri</u>	F, M	-	20	6.2	`	Davies et al. 1978; Goëttl and Davies 1978
Rainbow trout (173 mm), <u>Salmo</u> <u>qairdneri</u>	F, M	-	26	8.1	-	Davies et al. 1978; Goettl and Davies 1978
Rainbow trout (167 mm), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	F, M	-	350	13.0	-	Davies et al. 1978; Goettl and Davies 1978
Rainbow trout (juvenile), <u>Solmo</u> <u>gairdneri</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	36	9.2	-	Nebeker et al. 1983
Rainbow trout (juvenile), Salmo gairdneri	F, M	Silver nitrate	29	8.6	-	Nebeker et al. 1983

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<u>Species</u>	<u> Met kod ^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO</u> 3)	LC50 or EC50 (µg/L) ^b	Species Mean Acute Value (µq/L)	Reference
Rainbow trout (juvenile), Salmo <u>qairdneri</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	42	9.7	-	Nebeker et al. 1983
Rainbow trout (larva), Salmo gairdneri	F, W	Silver nitrate	48	17.87	-	Lemke 1981
Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	F, W	Silver nitrate	255	240	-	Lemke 1981
Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	54	14	-	Lemke 1981
Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo</u> gairdneri	F, M	Silver nitrate	46.1	6.9	-	Lemke 1981
Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	75	11.5	-	Lemke 1981
Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	255	170		Lemke 1981
Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	46.1	8.4	-	Lemke 1981

Table 1. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Method^a</u>	Chemical	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO</u> 3)	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/L)^b</u>	Species Nean Acute Value (µg/L)	Reference
Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	75	9.7	-	Lemke 1981
Rainbow trout (larva), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	F, U	Silver nitrate	54	16.38	-	Lemke 1981
Rainbow trout (juvenile), Salmo gairdneri	F, M	Silver nitrate	44.7	6	13.38	Holcombe et al. 1987
Fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales</u> promelas	S, M	Silver nitrate	48	30.43	-	Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow, Pimephales pramelas	S, M	Silver nitrate	255	230	-	Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales</u> <u>promelas</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	54	13.8	-	Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow, Pimephales promelas	S, M	Silver nitrate	46.1	6.7	-	Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow, Pimephales promelas	S, M	Silver nitrate	75	10.3		Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow, Pimephales promelas	S, M	Silver nitrate	48	22.66	-	Lemke 1981

Table 1. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Wethod^e</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO</u> 3)	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/L)^b</u>	Species Hean Acute Value (µg/L)	Reference
Fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	255	270	-	Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	54	19.6	-	Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	46.1	12.3	-	Lemke 1981
fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales</u> promelas	S, M	Silver nitrate	75	8.7	-	Lemke 1981
fathead minnow (juvenile), <u>Pimephales</u> promelas	F, M	Silver nitrate	40	5.6	:	Nebeker et al. 1983; Lemke 1981
fathead minnow (juvenile), Pimephales promelas	F, M	Silver nitrate	36	7.4	-	Nebeker et al. 1983; Lemke 1981
fathead minnow (juvenile), <u>Pimephales</u> promelas	S, M	Silver nitrate	38	9.4	-	Nebeker et al. 1983; Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow (juvenile), Pimephales promelas	S, M	Silver nitrate	39	9.7	-	Nebeker et al. 1983; Lemke 1981

Table 1. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Wethod^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CoCO</u> 3)	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/l)^b</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	<u>Reference</u>
Fathead minnow (0.15 g), Pimephales promelas	S, M	Silver nitrate	44.8	14.0	-	Holcombe et al. 1983
fathead minnow (37 mm), <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	F, U	Silver nitrate	33	3.9	-	Goettl and Davies 1978
Fathead minnow (37 mm), <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	F, V	Silver nitrate	274	4.8	-	Goettl and Davies 1978
Fathead minnow (juvenile), <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	44.7	9	: -	Holcombe et al. 1987
Fathead minnow, Pimephales promelas	F, M	Silver nitrate	38	16	-	EG &t G Bionomics 1979; LeBlanc et al. 1984
Fathead minnow (30 day old), Pimephales promelas	F, M	Silver nitrate	46 . D	10.7	-	Lima et al. 1982; Call et al. 1983
Fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	48	10.98		Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales</u> promelas	F, M	Silver nitrate	255	150	-	Lemke 1981
fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate .	54	11.1	-	Lemke 1981

Table 1. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Nothod^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Nardness (mg/L as <u>CeCO</u> 3)	LC50 or EC50 (µg/L) ^b	Species Mean Acute Value <u>(µg/L)</u>	Reference
fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	f, W	Silver nitrate	46.1	5.3	- -	Lemke-1981
fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	F, N	Silver nitrate	75	6.3	-	Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	F, W	Silver nitrate	48	11.75	-	Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	255	110	-	Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	46.1	3.9	-	Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	75	5.0	-	Lemke 1981
Fathead minnow (0.15 g), <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	F, W	Silver nitrate	44.4	6.7	11.34	Holcombe et al. 1983
Speckled dace (68 mm), Rhinichthys osculus	F, U	Silver nitrate	30	4.9	-	Goettl and Davies 1978
Speckled dace (68 mm), <u>Rhinichthys</u> <u>osculus</u>	F, U	Silver nitrate	250	13.6	8.163	Goettl and Davies 1978

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Table 1. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Wethod^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO₃)</u>	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/L)^b</u>	Species Nean Acute Value (µg/L)	Reference
Mottled sculpin (81 mm), <u>Cottus</u> <u>bairdi</u>	F, U	Silver nitrate	30	5.3	-	Gaettl and Davies 1978
Mottled sculpin (81 mm), <u>Cottus bairdi</u>	F, U	Silver nitrate	250	13.6	8.490	Goettl and Davies 1978
Channel catfish (14.2 g), Ictalurus punctatus	F, M	Silver nitrate	44.4	17.3	17.3	Holcombe et al. 1983
Flagfish (30 day old), <u>Jordonella floridae</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	44.5	9.2	9.2	Lima et al. 1982; Call et al. 1983
Bluegill (young of the year) Lepomis macrochirus	S, U	Silver nitrate	32-48	60	-	Buccafusco et al. 1981
Bluegill (juvenile), <u>Lepomis</u> macrocnirus	F, M	Silver nitrate	44.7	13	13	Halcombe et al. 1987
			SALTWATER SPEC	CIES		
Polychaete, <u>Neanthes</u> <u>arenaceoden</u>	F, M tata	Silver nitrate	30°	151	-	Pesch and Hoffman 1983
Polychaete, <u>Neanthes arenaceoden</u>	F, M tata	Silver nitrate	30°	145	-	Pesch and Hoffman 1983

<u>Species</u>	<u>Wethod^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Salinity (a/ka)	LC50 or EC50 <u>(#9/L)^b</u>	Species Wean Acute Value (µg/L)	<u>Reference</u>
Polychaete, <u>Neanthes</u> arenaceodent	F, M tata	Silver nitrate	30	260	-	Pesch and Hoffman 1983
Polychaete, <u>Neanthes</u> <u>arenaceodent</u>	F, M tata	Silver nitrate	30	> 357 ^d	178.6	Pesch and Hoffman 1983
Bay scallop (juvenile), <u>Argopectin</u> irradians	R, U	Silver nitrate	25	33	33	Nelson et al. 1976
Pacific oyster (embryo, larva), <u>Crassostrea qiqas</u>	s , u	Silver nitrate	33.0	11.91	-	Coglianese and Martin 1981
Pacific oyster (embryo, larva), <u>Crassostrea</u> <u>giqas</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	33.0	15.10	-	Coglianese and Martin 1981
Pacific oyster (embryo, larva), <u>Crassostrea</u> <u>gigas</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	33.0	> 18 ^c	-	Coglianese 1982
Pacific oyster (embryo, larva), Crassostrea gigas	S, U	Silver nitrate	22.7	> 11.94 ^e	- .	Coglianese 1982
Pacific oyster (embryo, larva), <u>Crassostrea giqas</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	30	19.0	14.21	Dinnel et al. 1983
Eastern oyster (embrya, larva), <u>Crassostrea giqas</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	25	5.8	-	Calabrese et al. 1973

Table 1. (continued)

Species	<u>Nethod^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Salinity <u>(g/kg)</u>	LC50 or EC50 (µg/L) ^b	Species Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	Reference
Eastern oyster (embryo, larva), <u>Crassostrea</u> virginica	S, U	Silver nitrate	26 (20°C)	24.2	-	Macinnes and Calabrese
Eastern oyster (embryo, larva), Crassostrea virginica	\$, U <u>1</u>	Silver nitrate	26 (25°C)	35.3	-	Macinnes and Calabrese
Eostern oyster (embryo, larva), <u>Crassostrea</u> <u>virginic</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	26 (30°C)	32.2	-	Maclinnes and Calabrese 1978
Eastern oyster (embryo, larva), <u>Crassostrea</u> virginico	S, U	Silver nitrate	30	13	-	Zaroogian, Manuscript
Eastern oyster (embryo, larva), <u>Crassostrea</u> <u>virginic</u> o	S, U	Silver nitrate	30	7	-	Zaroogian, Manuscript
Eastern oyster (embryo, larvo), <u>Crassostrea</u> virginica	S, U	Silver nitrate	30	3	-	Zaroogian, Manuscript
Eastern oyster (embryo, larva), Crassostrea virginica	S, U	Silver nitrate	30	37	14.15	Zaroogian, Manuscript
Quahog clam (embryo, larva), Mercenaria mercenario	S, U	Silver nitrate	25	21	21	Calabrese and Nelson 1974
Squid (larva), Laliga <u>opalescens</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	30	> 100 , < 200	> 100, < 200	Dinnel et al. 1983

<u>Species</u>	<u>Vefhod^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Salinity (q/kg)	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/L)^b</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	Reference
Copepod (adult), <u>Acartia clausi</u>	s, u	Silver nitrate	30	13.3	13.3	Lussier and Cardin 1985
Copepod (adult), <u>Acartia</u> <u>tonsa</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	30	37 . 8	-	Lussier and Cardin 1985
Copepod (adult), <u>Acartia tonsa</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	28	30.9	-	Schimmel 1981
Capepod (adult), Acartia tonsa	S, U	Silver nitrate	28	66. D	-	Schimmel 1981
Copepod (adult), <u>Acartia</u> <u>tonsa</u>	s, u	Silver nitrate	28	35.8	-	Schimmel 1981
Copepod (adult), <u>Acartia tonsa</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	28	23.5	-	Schimmel 1981
Copepod (adult), <u>Acartia</u> <u>tonsa</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	28	36.4	-	Schimmel 1981
Copepod (adult), <u>Acartia</u> <u>tonsa</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	30	36.3	36.46	Lussier and Cardin 1985
Mysid (juvenile), <u>Mysidopsis bahia</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	28	264	-	Schimmel 1981
Mysid (juvenile), <u>Mysidopsis bahia</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	28	159.4	-	Schimmel 1981
Mysid (juvenile), Mysidopsis bahia	s, u	Silver nitrate	28	203	-	Schimmel 1981
Mysid (juvenile), Mysidopsis <u>bahia</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	28	248	-	Schimmel 1981

Table 1. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Hethod^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Salinity (a/kg)	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/L)^b</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	Reference
Mysid (juvenile), <u>Mysidopsis</u> b <u>ahia</u>	s, u	Silver nitrate	28	178	-	Schimmel 1981
Mysid (juvenile), Mysidopsis bahia	S, U	Silver nitrate	28	74.3	-	Schimmel 1981
Mysid (juvenile), <u>Mysidopsis</u> <u>bahia</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	15-30	89.54	-	McKenney 1982
Mysid (juvenile). <u>Mysidopsis</u> bahia	S, U	Silver nitrate	15-30	3,00	•	McKenney 1982
Mysid (juvenile), <u>Mysidopsis</u> <u>bahia</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	15-30	300	-	McKenney 1982
Mysid (juvenile), <u>Mysidopsis</u> <u>bahia</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	15-30	298	. -	McKenney 1982
Mysid (juvenile), <u>Mysidopsis</u> <u>bahia</u>	F, U	Silver nitrate	15-30	64	-	McKenney 1982
Mysid (juvenile). Mysidopsis bahia	F, M	Silver nitrate	30	249	-	Lussier et al., 1985
Mysid (juvenile), Mysidopsis bahia	F, M	Silver nitrate	28	256	-	Schimmel 1981
Mysid (juvenile), <u>Mysidopsis</u> <u>bahia</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	28	300	-	Schimmel 1981
Mysid (juvenile), <u>Mysidopsis</u> <u>bahia</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	28	86	-	Schimmel 1981
Mysid (juvenile). Mysidopsis <u>bahia</u>	f, M	Sitver nitrate	28	313	-	Schimmel [98]

Table 1. (continued)

Species	<u>Nethod^d</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Salinity <u>(q/kq)</u>	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/L)^b</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	Reference
Mysid (juvenile), Mysidopsis bahia	F, M	Silver nitrate	28	65	. ~	Schimmel 1981
Mysid (juvenile), Mysidopsis <u>bahia</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	28	1 32	171.8	Schimmel 1981
Sand shrimp (adult), <u>Crangon</u> spp. (mostly <u>Crangon</u> <u>franciscorum</u>		Silver nitrate	30.1	> 838	> 838	Dinnel et al. 1983
Dungeness crab (zoea), <u>Cancer</u> <u>magister</u>	S, M	Silver nitrate	30	33.1	33.1	Dinnel et al. 1983
Coho salmon (smolt), <u>Oncorhynchus</u> <u>kisutch</u>	F, M	Silver nitrate	28.6	487.5	487.5	Dinnel et al. 1983
Sheepshead minnow (juvenile), Cyprinodon variegatus	S, U	Silver nitrate	10-31	58,000	` <u>-</u>	U.S. EPA 1978; Heitmuller et al. 1981
Sheepshead minnow (juvenile), <u>Cyprinodon</u> <u>variegatus</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	28	640	-	Schimmel 1981
Sheepshead minnow (juvenile), <u>Cyprinodon</u> <u>variegatus</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	28	1,082	-	Schimmel 1981
Sheepshead minnow (juvenile), Cyprinodon varieqatus	S, U	Silver nitrate	28	1,182	-	Schimmel 1981
Sheepshead minnow (juvenite), Cyprinodon variegatus	S, U	Silver nitrate	28	1,584	•	Schimmel 1981

Table 1. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u> Wethod ^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	·· Solinity <u>(g/kg)</u>	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/L)^b</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	Reference
Sheepshead minnow (juvenile), Cyprinodon variegatus	\$, M <u>s</u>	Silver nitrate	30	1,376	-	Cardin 1986
Sheepshead minnow (juvenile), Cyprinodon variegatus	F, W	Silver nitrate	28	441	-	Schimmel 1981
Sheepshead minnow (juvenile), Cyprinodon variegatu:	F, M <u>s</u>	Silver nitrate	28	898	-	Schimmel 1981
Sheepshead minnow (juvenile), Cyprinodon yarieqatus	F, M ·	Silver nitrate	28	1,356	-	Schimmel 1981
Sheepshead minnaw (juvenile), Cyprinodon variegatus	F, M <u>≤</u>	Silver nitrate	28	1,510	-	Schimmel 1981
Sheepshead minnow (juvenile), Cyprinodon variegatus	F, W	Silver nitrate	28	1,876	1,088	Schimmel 1981
Nummichog (adult), Fundulus heteroclitus	S, U <u>s</u>	Silver nitrate	7.2	> 1 x 10 ⁶	-	Dorfman 1977
Mummichog (adult), <u>Fundulus</u> <u>heteroclitu</u> s	S, U <u>s</u>	Silver nitrate	24.B	2,700	2,700	Darfman 1977
Atlantic silverside (juvenile), <u>Menidia menidia</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	30	404	-	Cardin 1986

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Table 1. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u> Method^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Salinity <u>(a/ka)</u>	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/L)^b</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µq/L)	Reference
Atlantic silversid e (larva), <u>Menidia</u> <u>menidia</u>	F, M	Silver nitraté	32	110.1	110.1	Cardin 1986
Fourspine sticklebac (adult), <u>Apeltes quadracus</u>	k S, U	Silver nitrate	30	546.6	546.6	Cardin 1986
Shiner perch (adult) <u>Cymatogaster aggrega</u>		Silver nitrate	29.3	355.6	355.6	Dinnel et al. 1983
Cabezon (larva), Scorpaenichthys marm	S, M oratus	Silver nitrate	27	> 800	> 800	Dinnel et al. 1983
Summer flounder (embryo), <u>Paralichthys</u> <u>dentatu</u>	s, u <u>s</u>	Silver nitrate	30.2	140.8	140.8	Cardin 1986
Summer flounder (embryo), <u>Paralichthys</u> <u>dentatu</u>	F, M <u>s</u>	Silver nitrate	30	47.7	-	Cardin 1986
Summer flounder (larva), <u>Paralichthys</u> <u>dentatus</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	30	4.7	<u>-</u>	Cardin 1986
Summer flounder (embryo), Paralichthys dentatus	F, M	Silver nitrate	30	8	-	Cardin 1986
Summer flounder (embryo), Paralichthys dentatus	F, M	Silver nitrate	30	15.5	18.08	Cardin 1986

Table 1. (continued)

Species	<u>Wethod^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Salinity (g/kg)	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/L)^b</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	Reference
English sole (juvenile), Paraphrys vetulus	F, M	Silver nitrate	29.5	800	800	Dinnel et al. 1983
Winter flounder (embrya), <u>Pseudopleuranectes</u> <u>americanus</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	30	447.0	-	Cardin 1986
Winter flounder (embryo), <u>Pseudopleuronectes</u> <u>americanus</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	30	295.6	<u>-</u>	Cardin 1986
Winter flounder (embryo), <u>Pseudopleuronectes</u> <u>americanus</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	30	272	-	Cardin 1986
Winter flounder (larva), <u>Pseudopleuronectes</u> <u>americanus</u>	S, U	Silver nitrate	30	503	_	Cardin 1986

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Table 1. (continued)

Species	<u>Met hod^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Salinity (g/kg)	LC50 or EC50 <u>(µg/L)^b</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µq/L)	Reference
Winter flounder (embryo), Pseudopleuronectes americanus	F, M	Silver nitrate	30	196.3	196.3	Cardin 1986

a S = static; R = renewal; F = flow-through; M = measured; U = unmeasured.

b Results are expressed as silver, not as the chemical.

^c Salinity (g/kg), not hardness.

d Not used in calculation of Species Mean Acute Value.

e LC5D calculated from author's data using the moving average method.

Table 2. Chronic Toxicity of Silver to Aquatic Animals

Species	<u>Test^q</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO₃)</u>	Chronic Limits (µq/L) ^b	Chronic Value (µg/L)	Reference
			FRESHWATER	SPECIES	,	
Cladoceran, <u>Daphnia</u> magna	rc	Silver nitrate	73	10.5-21.2	14.92	Nebeker 1982
Cladoceran, <u>Daphnia</u> magna	LC	Silver nitrate	73	20.0-41.0	28.64	Nebeker 1982
Cladoceran, Daphnia magna	LC	Silver nitrate	46	2.7-3.9 ^c	3.245	Nebeker 1982
Cladoceran, <u>Daphnia magna</u>	LC	Silver nitrate	60	1.6-4.1	2.561	Nebeker et al. 1983; Nebeker 1982
Cladoceran, Daphnia magna	LC	Silver nitrate	75	8.8-19.4	13.07	Nebeker et al. 1983; Nebeker 1982
Cladoceran, <u>Daphnia magna</u>	r c	Silver nitrate	180	3.4-8.0	5. 215	Nebeker et al. 1983; Nebeker 1982
Rainbow trout, <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	ELS	Silver nitrate	28	0.09-0.17	0.1240	Davies et al. 1978
Rainbow trout, <u>Salma gairdneri</u>	ET2	Silver nitrate	36	0.36-0.51	0.4285	Nebeker et al. 1983
Fathead minnow, Pimephales promel	ELS	Silver nitrate	45 · I	0.37-0.65	0.4904	Holcombe et al. 1983

Table 2. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Test^a</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Solinity (g/kg)	Chronic Limits (µg/L) ^b	Chronic Value	Reference
			SALTWATER SPECI	<u>ES</u>		
Mysid, Mysidopsis bahia	LC	Silver nitrate	15-30	70-110 ^d (60-110)	87.75	Breteler et al. 1982; McKenney 1982
Mysid, <u>Mysidopsis</u> <u>bahia</u>	rc	Silver nitrate	30	11-32	18.76	McKenney 1982; Lussier et al. 1985
Mysid, <u>Mysidopsis</u> <u>bahia</u>	LC	Silver nitrate	15-30	9-25	15.00	McKenney 1982
Mysid, <u>Mysidopsis</u> <u>bahia</u>	LC .	Silver nitrate	15-30	14-19	16.31	McKenney 1982
Mysid, <u>Mysidopsis</u> <u>bahia</u>	rc	Silver nitrate	15-30	30-93	52.82	McKenney 1982

a LC = life-cycle or partial life-cycle; ELS = early life-stage.

b Results are based on measured concentrations of silver.

C Lower and upper chronic limits for this test were concentrations resulting in less than 50% reproductive impairment and greater than 50% reproductive impairment, respectively.

d Chronic limits from McKenney (1982) from the same test reported by Breteler et al. (1982).

Table 2. (continued)

Acute-Chronic Ratio

<u>Species</u>	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO₃)</u>	Acute Value	Chronic Value (µg/L)	<u>Ratio</u>
Cladoceran, <u>Daphnia</u> <u>magna</u>	73	11.2ª	14.92	0.7507
Cladoceran, <u>Daphnia magna</u>	73	11.2 ^a	28.64	0.3911
Cladoceran, <u>Daphnia magna</u>	60	1.1	2.561	0.4295
Rainbow trout, <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	36	9.2	0.4285	21 . 47
Rainbow trout, <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	28	6.4 ^a	0.1240	51.61
Fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	44.8	6.7	0.4904	13.66
Mysid, <u>Mysidopsis</u> <u>bahia</u>	30 _p	249.3	18.76	13.29
Mysid, Mysidopsis bahia	15-30 ^b	86	16.31	5.273
Mysid, Mysidopsis bahia	15-30 ^b	1 3 2	15.00	8.800

^a Geometric mean of two or more values in Table 1.

b Salinity (g/kg), not hardness.

Table 3. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values with Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratios

<u>Rank ^a</u>	Genus Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	<u>Species</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µa/L) ^b	Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio ^C
		FRESHWATER SPECIE	<u>.s</u>	
18	560	Crayfish, Orconectes immunis	560	-
17	420	Nidge, <u>Tanytarsus dissimilis</u>	420	-
16	83	Snail, <u>Aplexa</u> <u>hypnorum</u>	83	-
15	29	Leech, <u>Nephelopsis</u> obscura	29	-
14	26	Hydra, <u>Hydra</u> sp.	26	-
13	17.3	Channel catfish, <u>Ictalurus punctatus</u>	17.3	-
12	15	Cladoceran, <u>Simocephalus</u> <u>vetulus</u>	15	-
11	13.38	Rainbow trout, <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	13.38	33.29
10	13	Bluegill, <u>Lepomis</u> macrochirus	13	-
9	11.34	Fathead minnow, <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	11.34	13.66

Table 3. (continued)

<u>Rank^a</u>	Genus Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	<u>Species</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µg/L) ^b	Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio ^C
8	9.2	Flagfish, <u>Jordanella</u> floridae	9.2	-
7	8.490	Mottled sculpin, <u>Cottus hairdi</u>	8.490	-
6	8.163	Speckled dace, Rhinichthys osculus	8.163	-
5	5	Amphipod, Crangonyx pseudogracilis	5	-
4	4.5	Amphipod, <u>Gammarus pșeudolimnaeus</u>	4.5	
3	3.924	Cladoceran, <u>Ceriodaphnia</u> <u>reticulata</u>	3.924	-
2	2.2	Mayfly, <u>Leptophlebia</u> sp.	2.2	-
ı	2.155	Cladoceron, <u>Daphnia pulex</u>	5.158	
		Cladoceran, <u>Daphnia magna</u>	0.9	0.4994 ^d

<u>Rank^a</u>	Genus Mean Acute Value (µq/L)	Species	Species Nean Acute Value (µg/L)b	Species Mean Acute-Chronic <u>Ratio^C</u>
9	171.8	Mysid, Mysidopsis bahia	171.8	8.512
8	> 100, < 200	Squid, <u>Loligo</u> <u>opalescens</u>	> 100, < 200	-
7	118.1	Atlantic silverside, <u>Menidia</u> <u>menidia</u>	110.1	· -
6	33.10	Dungeness crab, Cancer magister	33.10	-
5	33	Bay scallop, Argopectin <u>irradians</u>	33	-
4	22.02	Copepod, <u>Acartia tonsa</u>	36.46	, -
		Copepod, <u>Acartia</u> clausi	13.3	` -
3	21	Quahog, Mercnaria mercenaria	21	-
2	18.08	Summer flounder, <u>Paralichthys</u> <u>dentatus</u>	18.08	-
1	14.18	Pacific oyster, <u>Crassostrea</u> <u>gigas</u>	14.21	-
		Eastern oyster, <u>Crassostrea</u> <u>virginica</u>	14.15	-

Rank ^a	Genus Mean Acute Value (µg/L)	<u>Species</u>	Species Mean Acute Value (µq/L) ^b	Species Mean Acute-Chronic <u>Ratio^C</u>
		SALTWATER SPECIES		
19	2,700	Mummichog, <u>Fundulus</u> <u>heteroclitus</u>	2,700	-
18	1,088	Sheepshead minnow, <u>Cyprinodon</u> <u>varieqatus</u>	1,088	-
17	> 838	Sand shrimp, <u>Crangon</u> spp., (mostly <u>Crangon</u> <u>franciscoru</u>	> 838	
16	> 800	Cabezon, <u>Scorpaenichthys</u> <u>marmoratus</u>	> 800	-
15	800	English sole, <u>Parophrys</u> vetulus	800	-
14	546.6	Fourspine stickleback <u>Apeltes</u> <u>quadracus</u>	546.6	-
13	487.5	Coho salmon, <u>Oncorhynchus</u> <u>kisutch</u>	487.5	-
12	355.6	Shiner perch, <u>Cymatogaster aggregata</u>	355.6	• -
11	196.3	Winter flounder, Pseudopleuronectes american	196.3 us	-
10	178.6	Polychaete, Neanthes arenaceodentata	178.6	-

Table 3. (continued)

Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value. Inclusion of "greater than" values does not necessarily imply a true ranking, but does allow use of all genera for which data are available so that the Final Acute Value is not unnecessarily lowered.

b From Table 1.

c from Table 2.

d Value not used in calculation of the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (see text).

Fresh water

Final Acute Value = 1.833 μ g/L

Criterion Maximum Concentration = $(1.833 \mu g/L) / 2 = 0.9165 \mu g/L$

final Acute-Chronic Ratio = 15.70 (see text)

Final Chronic Value = (1.833 μ g/L) / 15.70 = 0.1168 μ g/L

Salt water

Final Acute Value = 14.50 μ g/L

Criterion Maximum Concentration = (14.50 μ g/L) / 2 = 7.250 μ g/L

Final Acute-Chronic Ratio = 15.70 (see text)

Final Chronic Value = $(14.50 \mu g/L) / 15.70 = 0.9236 \mu g/L$

Table 4. Toxicity of Silver to Aquatic Plants

<u>Species</u>	Chemical	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO</u> 3	Duration (days)	Effect	Concentration (µg/L)	<u>Reference</u>
			FRESHWATER SPECIES			
Green alga, <u>Selenastrum</u> capricornutum	Silver nitrate	-	4	EC50	2.6	U.S. EPA 1978
Waterweed, <u>Elodea</u> (<u>Anacharis</u>) <u>canadensis</u>	Silver nitrate	-	28	EC50	7,500	Brown and Rattigan 1979
Duckweed, <u>Lemna minor</u>	Silver nitrate	-	28	EC50	270	Brown and Rattigan 1979
			SALTWATER SPECIES			
Diatom, <u>Skeletonema</u> costat	Silver nitrate <u>um</u>	30 ^b	4	EC50 (chlorophyl	170 1 <u>a</u>)	U.S. EPA 1978
Diatom, <u>Skeletonema</u> costat	Silver nitrate um	30 ^b	4	EC50 (cell count	130 s)	U.S. EPA 1978

 $^{^{\}mathrm{a}}$ Concentration of silver, not the chemical.

b Salinity (g/kg), not hardness.

<u>Species</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Concentration in Water (µg/L) ^a	Duration (days)	Tissue	BCF or BAF ^b	<u>Reference</u>		
		FRESHWATER SI	PECIES					
Largemouth bass, <u>Micropterus</u> <u>salmoides</u>	Silver nitrate	í	120	Muscle	11	Cearley 1971		
Largemouth bass, <u>Micropterus</u> <u>salmoides</u>	Silver nitrate	10	120	Muscle	19	Cearley 1971		
Bluegill, <u>Lepomis</u> <u>macrochirus</u>	Silver nitrate	10	180	Whole body	15	Cearley 1971		
Bluegill, Lepomis macrochirus	Silver nitrate	1 00	180	: Whole body	150	Cearley 1971		
SALTWATER SPECIES								
Blue mussel (juvenile to adult), <u>Mytilus edulis</u>	Silver nitrate	ł . 5	630	Soft parts	5,100	Calabrese et al. 1984		
Blue mussel (juvenile to adult), <u>Mytilus edulis</u>	Silver nitrate	5.4	630	Soft parts	1,435	Calabrese et al. 1984		
Blue mussel (juvenile to adult), <u>Mytilus edulis</u>	Silver nitrate	10	630	Soft parts	1,056	Calabrese et al. 1984		
Blue mussel (juvenile to adult), <u>Mytilus edulis</u>	Silver nitrate	1.5	540	Soft parts	6,500	Calabrese et al. 1984		
Blue mussel (juvenile to adult),	Silver nitrate	5 4	540	Soft parts	2,203	Calabrese et al. 1984		

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Table 5. (continued)

Species	Chemical	Concentration in Water (μα/L) ^α	Duration (days)	Tissue	BCF or	Reference
Blue mussel (juvenile to adult), Mytilus edulis	Silver nitrate	10	540	Soft parts	1,391	Calabrese et al 1984
Blue mussel (juvenile to adult), <u>Mytilus edulis</u>	Silver nitrate	. 10	365	Soft parts	1,533	Calabrese et al. 1984

Measured concentration of silver.

b Bioconcentration factors (BCFs) and bioaccumulation factors (BAFs) are based on measured concentrations of silver in water and in tissue.

Table 6. Other Data on Effects of Silver on Aquatic Organisms

<u>Species</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO₃)</u>	Duration	<u>Effect</u>	Concentration (µq/L) ^q	Reference			
	FRESHWATER SPECIES								
Mixed heterotrophic bacteria	Silver sulfate	-	0.5 hr	< 1% survival	1.	Albright et al. 1972			
Mixed heterotrophic bacteria	Silver sulfate	-	0.5 hr	53% reduction in glucose uptak	O. 1	Albright et al. 1972			
Bacterium, <u>Nitrobacter</u> sp. and <u>Nitrosomonas</u> sp.	Silver nitrate	-	4 hr	EC50	30	Williamson and Nelson 1983			
Bacterium, <u>Nitrobacter</u> sp. and <u>Nitrosomonas</u> sp.	Silver nitrate	<u>-</u>	4 hr	EC90	; 100	Williamson and Nelson 1983			
Bacterium, <u>Pseudomonas</u> putida	Silver nitrate	-	16 hr	Incipient inhibition	7	Bringmann and Kuhn 1977a,1980b			
Green alga, Chlorella vulgaris	-	4.5	14 days	Growth inhibition	50	Stokes et al. 1973; Hutchinson 1973; Hutchinson and Stokes 1975			
Green alga, <u>Haematococcus</u> <u>capens</u>	- <u>is</u>	-	6 days	Reduced growth	100	Hutchinson 1973			
Blue-green alga, <u>Microcystis</u> aeruginosa	Silver nitrate	-	8, days	Incipient inhibition	0.7	Bringmann and Kuhn 1978a,b			

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<u>Species</u>	Chemical	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO</u> 3)	<u>Buration</u>	Effect	Concentration (µg/L) ^Q	Reference
Blue-green alga, Nostoc muscorum	Silver chloride	-	21 days	EC50 (survival)	2.9	Rai and Raizada 1985
Green alga, <u>Scenedesmus</u> <u>acuminata</u>	-	-	12 days	Reduced growth	50	Stokes et al. 1973; Hutchinson 1973
Green alga, <u>Scenedesmus</u> sp.	Silver nitrate	215	4 days	Incipient inhibition	50	Bringmann and Kuhn 1959b
Green alga, <u>Scenedesmus</u> quadricauda	Silver nitrate	; -	8 days	Incipient inhibition	9.5	Bringmann and Kuhn 1977a,1978a,b,1980b
Green alga, <u>Selenastrum</u> capricornutum	-	-	14-21 days	EC50	6.39	Turbak et al. 1986
Macrophyte, Ceratophyllum demersum	Silver sulfide	-	60 days	70-80% defoliation	<10	Pilie et al. 1975
Protozoan, Chilomonas paramaecium	Silver nitrate	-	48 hr	incipient inhibition	2.6	Bringmann and Kuhn 1980a; Bringmann et al. 1980
Protozoan, <u>Entosiphan</u> <u>sulcatum</u>	Silver nitrate	-	72 hr	Incipient inhibition	580	Bringmann 1978; Bringmann and Kuhn 1980b
Protozoan, <u>Microregma</u> <u>heterostoma</u>	Silver nitrate	-	28 hr	Incipient inhibition	30	Bringmann and Kuhn 1959a

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<u>Species</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO₃)</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Effect</u>	Concentration(\mu_g/L)^d	Reference
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Ciliate,	Silver	-	20 hr	Incipient	100	Bringmann and Kuhn
<u>Uroneuma parduczi</u>	nitrate			inhibition		1980c,1981
Cladoceran,	Silver	240	7 days	R150	0.8	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
<u>Ceriodaphnia</u> <u>reticulata</u>	nitrate				•	
Cladoceran,	Silver	240	7 days	Chronic value	1.3 ^b	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
<u>Ceriodaphnia</u> <u>reticulata</u>	nitrate		•			•
Cladoceran,	Silver	<u>-</u>	64 hr	Incipient	3.24	Anderson 1948
<u>Daphnia magna</u>	nitrate			inhibition	3.2.	
(1-4	C: 1	47	40 1 .	reso	. 9.5	Chapman 1980
Cladoceran (< 24 hr), <u>Daphnia magna</u>	Silver nitrate	47	48 hr	EC50 (fed)	(9.5	Chapman 1300
				,		
Cladoceran (< 24 hr),	Silver	33	48 hr	EC50	12.5	Nebeker et al 1983
Daphnia magna	nitrate			(fed)		
Cladoceran,	Silver	-	48 hr	Incipient	30	Bringmann and Kuhn
Daphnia magna	nitrate			inhibition		1959a,b, 1960
Cladoceran,	Silver	249	14 days	Chronic value	<0.56 ^b	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Daphnia magna	nitrate	2.40			,	•
					2.0	Nebeker 1982
Cladoceran,	Silver nitrate	60	21 days	LC50	2.9	Medeker 1962
<u>Daphnia</u> <u>magna</u>	HIIIGIE					
Cladoceran,	Silver	60	21 days	LC50	3.6	Nebeker 1982
<u>Daphnia magna</u>	nitrate					
Cladoceran,	Silver	60	21 days	LC50	3.9	Nebeker 1982
Dophnia magna	nitrate					

Table 6. (continued)

Species	Chemical	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO</u> 3)	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Effect</u>	Concentration (µg/L) ^q	<u>Reference</u>
Cladoceron, <u>Daphnia</u> <u>pulex</u>	Silver nitrate	240	14 days	R150	1.2	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran, <u>Daphnia pulex</u>	Silver nitrate	240	l4 days	Chronic value	< 0.56 ^b	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Mayfly (naiad), Ephemerella grandis	Silver nitrate	30-70	Postmortem 1–14 doys	BCF=17.4	750	Wehring 1976
Mayfly (naiad), Ephemerella grandis	Silver nitrate	30-70	Postmortem 1–14 days	BCF=18.4	400	Nehring 1976
Mayfly (naiad), <u>Ephemerella grandis</u>	Silver nitrate		Postmortem 1–14 days	BCF=41.8	230	Nehring 1976
Mayfly (noiad). <u>Ephemerella grandis</u>	Silver nitrate	30-70	Postmortem 1–14 days	8CF=47.8	120	Nehring 1976
Mayfly (naiad), <u>Ephemerella grandis</u>	Silver nitrate	30-70	Postmortem 1-14 days	BCF=84.4	60	Nehring 1976
Mayfly (nymph). <u>Ephemeralla grandis</u>	Silver nitrate	30-70	14 days	LC50	< 1	Nehring 1976
Stonefly (naiad final instar), <u>Pteronarcys californica</u>	Silver nitrate	-	15 days	LC50	8.8	Nehring 1973,1976
Stonefly (naiad), <u>Pteronarcys californica</u>	Silver nitrate	30-70	Postmortem 1-14 days	BCF=14.4	738	Nehring 1976

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Stonefly (naiad), Pteranarcys californica	Silver nitrate	30-70	Postmortem 1–14 days	BCF=15.4	399	Nehring 1976
Stonefly (naiad), Pteronarcys californica	Silver nitrate	30-70	Postmortem 1-14 days	BCF=21.2	217	Nehring 1976
Stonefly (naiad). <u>Pteronarcys californica</u>	Silver nitrate	30-70	Postmortem 1–14 days	BCF=26	1 05	Nehring 1976
Stonefly (naiad), <u>Pteronarcys</u> <u>californica</u>	Silver nitrate	30-70	Postmortem 1-14 days	BCF=36.6	50	Nehring 1976
Rainbaw trout (embryo, larva), Salmo <u>gairdneri</u>	Silver nitrate	104 (92-110)	27 days (4 days post hatch)	EC5D (Death and deformity)	, 10	Birge 1978; Birge et al. 1978,1980
Rainbow trout (embryo, larva), Salmo gairdneri	Silver nitrate	102 (92-110)	27 days (4 days post hatch)	ECIO (Death and deformity)	0.9	Birge et al. 1980,1981
Rainbow trout (embryo), Salmo gairdneri	Silver chloride	30	35 hr	LT50	500	Rombough 1985
Rainbow trout (embryo), Salmo gairdneri	Silver chloride	30	44 hr	LT50	400	Rombough 1985
Rainbow trout (embryo). Salmo gairdneri	Silver chloride	30	35 hr	LT50	300	Rombough 1985

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<u>Species</u>	Chemical	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO</u> 3)	Duration	<u> [[[ect</u>	Concentration (µg/L)	Reference
Rainbow trout (embryo), <u>Salmo</u> <u>qairdneri</u>	Silver chloride	30	48 hr	LT50	200	Rombough 1985
Rainbow trout (embryo), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	Silver chloride	30	61 hr	LT50	100	Rombough 1985
Rainbow trout (embryo), <u>Salmo</u> <u>qairdneri</u>	Silver chloride	30	> 168 hr	LT50	50	Rombough 1985
Rainbow trout (embryo), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	Silver chloride	30	> 168 hr	LT50	10	Rombough 1985
Rainbow trout (embryo), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	Silver chloride	30	12 hr	LT50	, 500°	Rombough 1985
Rainbow trout (embryo), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	Silver chloride	30	12 hr	LT50	400°	Rombough 1985
Rainbow trout (embryo), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	Silver chloride	30	14 hr	LT50	300°	Rombough 1985
Rainbow trout (embryo), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	Silver chloride	30	12 hr	LT50	200°	Rombough 1985
Rainbow trout (embryo), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	Silver chloride	30	23 hr	LT50	1 00°	Rombough 1985
Rainbow trout (embryo), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	Silver chloride	30	58 kg	LT50	50°	Rombough 1985
Rainbow trout (embryo), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	Silver chloride	30	> 168 hr	LT50	10 ^c	Rombough 1985

<u>Species</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L as <u>CaCO</u> 3)	Duration	Effect	Concentration (µg/L) ^a	Reference
Rainbow trout (embryo, larva), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	Silver nitrate	-	5 wks	LC50	0.69	Davies et al. 1978
Rainbow trout (embryo, larva), <u>Salmo gairdneri</u>	Silver nitrate	-	22 wks	LC50	0.34	Davies et al 1978
Rainbow trout (embryo), Salmo gairdneri	Silver nitrate	28	6 days	Premature hatching	2.2	Davies et al. 1978
Goldfish (embryo, larva), Carassius auratus	Silver nitrate	195	7 days (4 days post hatch)	EC50 (Death and deformity)	, 30	Birge 1978
Fathead minnow (37 mm, 0.5 g), Pimepholes promelas	Silver nitrate	29-38	24 hr	LC50	21	EG & G Bionomics 1979
fathead minnow (37 mm, 0.5 g), <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	Silver nitrate	29-38	48 hr	LC50	16	EG & G Bionomics 1979
fathead minnow (37 mm, 0.5 g), <u>Pimephales promelas</u>	Silver nitrate	29-38	72 hr	LCSO	16	EG & G Bionomics 1979
Largemouth bass (embryo, larva), <u>Micropterus salmoides</u>	Silver nitrate	93-105	8 days (4 days post hatch)	EC50 (Death and deformity)	111	Birge et al. 1978

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<u>Species</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Hardness (mg/L es <u>CaCO</u> 3)	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Effect</u>	Concentration (µa/L)	Reference
Narrow-mouthed toad (embryo, larva), <u>Gastrophryne</u> <u>carolinens</u>	Silver nitrate is	195	7 days (4 days post hatch)	EC50 (Death and deformity)	10	Birge 1978
Marbled salamander (embryo, larva), <u>Ambystoma</u> <u>opacum</u>	Silver nitrate	93-105	7 days (4 days post hatch)	EC50 (Death and deformity)	240	Birge et al. 1978
			SALTWATER	SPECIES		
Green alga, <u>Dunaliella</u> <u>tertiolecta</u>	Silver cyanide	-	3 days	EC50 (cell counts)	ź,700	Fisher et al. 1984
Green alga, Dunaliella tertiolecta	Silver cyanide		12 hr	BCF = 13,000	-	Fisher et al. 1984
Golden-brown alga, <u>lsochrysis</u> galbang	-	10 ^d	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	25	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Golden-brown alga, <u>Isochrysis</u> <u>qalbana</u>	-	1 2 ^d	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 16°C	22	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Golden-brown alga, Isochrysis <u>aalbana</u>	-	12 ^d	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 28°C	. 15	Wilson and Freeberg 1980

Table 6. (continued)

		Salinity	Concentration			
<u>Species</u>	Chemical	<u>[9/kg]</u>	Duration	Effect	(μq/L) ^α	Reference
Golden-brown alga, <u>Isochrysis qalbana</u>	, - •	14	2 days	Chiorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	25	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Golden-brown alga, <u>Isochrysis</u> galbana	-	16	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 16°C	24	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Golden-brown alga, <u>Isochrysis</u> galbana	-	16	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 28°C	38	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Golden-brown alga, <u>Isochrysis</u> galbana	-	20	2 days	Chiorophyli <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 16°C	, 64	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Golden-brown alga, <u>Isochrysis</u> galbana	-	20	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	24	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Golden-brown alga, <u>Isochrysis</u> <u>qalbana</u>	-	20	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 28°C	60	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Golden-brown alga, <u>Isochrysis</u> galbana	-	28	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 16°C	24	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Golden-brown alga, Isochrysis galbana	-	28	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	26	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Golden-brown alga, <u>Isochrysis</u> galbana	-	28	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 28°C	110	Wilson and Freeberg 1980

Table 6. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	Chemical	Salinity <u>(g/kg)</u>	Duration	Effect	Concentration (µg/L) ^a	Reference
Golden-brown alga, <u>Isochrysis galbana</u>	-	28	2 days	Reduction in chlorophyll <u>a;</u> (lowest value from 28 tests)	20	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> <u>pseudonana</u>	- !	3	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 12°C	14	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> <u>pseudonana</u>	-	3	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	84	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> <u>pseudonana</u>	-	3	2 days	Chiorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 28°C	13	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonana	-	5	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 12°C	30	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> <u>pseudonana</u>	<u>-</u>	5	2 days	Chiorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	70	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonana	-	5	2 days	Chiorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 28°C	16	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonana	-	1	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 12°C	23	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, Thalassiosira pseudonana	-	7	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	68	Wilson and Freeberg 1980

Table 6. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Salinity (g/kg)	<u>Duration</u>	Effect	Concentration (µg/L)	Reference
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> <u>pseudonana</u>	<u>-</u>	7	2 days	Chiorophyil <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 28°C	14	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonana	-	10	2 days	Chiorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 12°C	31	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> <u>pseudonano</u>	- L	10	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 16°C	74	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> <u>pseudonan</u>	- L	10	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	, 76	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonang	- · <u>1</u>	10	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 24°C	44	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonan	- <u>a</u>	10	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 28°C	21	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonan	<u>.</u> .	14	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 12°C	37	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonan	<u>-</u>	14	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	56	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonan	_ <u>a</u>	14	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 28°C	32	Wilson and Freeberg 1980

Table 6. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	Chemical	Salinity (g/kg)	Duration	Effect	Concentration (µg/L)ª	Reference
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> <u>pseudonan</u>	<u>-</u>	21	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 12°C	23	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> <u>pseudonan</u>	- <u>1</u>	21	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	68	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> <u>pseudonan</u>	<u>-</u> <u>1</u>	21 .	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 28°C	40	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonand	- 1	28	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 12°C	_? 25	Wilson and freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonand	- 1	28	2 days	Chiorophyil <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 16°C	31	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonano	- 1	28	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	42	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonano	-	28	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 24°C	48	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonano	- 1	28	2 days	Chiorophyii <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 28°C	52	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonano	- 1	28	2 days	Reduction in chlorophyll <u>a;</u> (lowest value from 14 tests)	40	Wilson and freeberg 1980

Table 6. (continued)

Species	<u>Chemical</u>	Salinity <u>(a/ka)</u>	Duration	Effect	Concentration (µa/L) a	<u>Reference</u>
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudon <u>ana</u>	Silver cyanide	-	4 days	EC50 (cell counts)	100	Fisher et al. 1984
Diatom, <u>Thalassiosira</u> pseudonana	Sílver cyanide	-	12 hr (equilibrium reached)	BCF = 34,000	-	Fisher et al. 1984
Dinoflagellate, <u>Glenodinium</u> <u>halli</u>	-	28	2 days	Reduction in chlorophyll <u>a;</u> (lowest value from 6 tests)	5	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, <u>Gymnodinium</u> <u>splendens</u>	-	28	2 days	Chlorophyli <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 16°C	7. 5-8.0	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, <u>Gymnodinium</u> <u>splendens</u>	-	28	2 days	Chiorophyli <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	18	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, Gymnodinium splendens	-	28	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 24°C	· 13	Wilson and freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, Gymnodinium splendens	-	28	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 28°C	13	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, Gymnodinium splendens	-	28	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 30°C	10	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, Gymnodinium splendens	-	28	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 32°C	2	Wilson and Freeberg 1980

Table 6. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Chemical</u>	Salinity (a/ka)	Duration	Effect	Concentration (µq/L) [©]	Reference
Dinoflagellate, <u>Gymnodinium</u> <u>splendens</u>	-	28	2 days	Chiorophyil <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 33°C	10	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, <u>Cymnodinium</u> <u>splendens</u>	-	14	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 16°C	7	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, <u>Gymnodinium splendens</u>	-	14	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 30°C	11	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, <u>Gymnodinium</u> <u>splendens</u>	<u>-</u> ·	14	2 days	Chiorophyil <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 32°C	, 2	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, <u>Gymnodinium</u> <u>splendens</u>	-	14	2 days	Chiorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	1.3	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, <u>Gymnodinium</u> <u>splendens</u>	-	16	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	6.5	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, <u>Gymnodinium</u> <u>splendens</u>	-	20	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	8.5	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, <u>Cymnodinium</u> <u>splendens</u>	-	24	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>o</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	6.0	Wilson and freeberg 1980
Dinoflagellate, <u>Gymnodinium</u> <u>splendens</u>	-	28	2 days	Chlorophyll <u>a</u> reduced about 65% at 20°C	9.4	Wilson and Freeberg 1980

Table 6. (continued)

Species	<u>Chemical</u>	Salinity (g/kg)	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Effect</u>	Concentration (µg/L) ^a	Reference
Dinoflagellate, <u>Gymnodinium</u> <u>splendens</u>	-	28	2 days	Reduction in chlorophyll <u>a;</u> (lowest value from 14 tests)	5 n	Wilson and Freeberg 1980
Red alga, <u>Champia</u> <u>parvula</u>	Silver · nitrate	30	25 days	Chronic limits for cystocarp formation (sexual fusion)	1.2-1.9	Steele and Thursby 1983
Red alga (sporeling), <u>Plumaria</u> <u>elegans</u>	Silver nitrate	-	18 hr immersion followed by 7 days in clean seawater	98% mortality; O% development	1,000	Boney et al. 1959
Polychaete, <u>Neanthes</u> <u>arenaceodentat</u>	Silver <u>a</u> nitrate	30	28 days	LC50	158.7 (geometric mean of 5 values)	Pesch and Hoffman 1983
Polychaete, Neanthes arenaceodentat	Silver <u>a</u> nitrate	30	28 days	EC50 (inability to burrow)	151.7 (geometric mean of 5 values)	Pesch and Hoffman 1983
Polychaete, <u>Neanthes</u> <u>arenaceodentat</u>	Silver <u>a</u> nitrate	30	96 hr	EC50 (inability to burrow)	158.6 (geometric mean of 3 values)	Pesch and Hoffman 1983
Polychaete (adult), <u>Neanthes virens</u>	Silver nitrate	26	48 hr	Significant reduction in respiration	800	Pereira and Kanungo 1981
Polychaete (adult), <u>Neanthes</u> <u>virens</u>	Silver nitrate	26	24 hr	Significant reduction in respiration	1,000	Pereira and Kanungo 1981

Table 6. (continued)

Species	<u>Chemical</u>	Salinity <u>(g/kg)</u>	Duration	Effect	Concentration (µg/L) ⁶	Reference
Polychaete (adult), <u>Neanthes virens</u>	Silver nitrate	26	24 hr	Significant ionic imbalances in coelomic fluid	1,000	Pereira and Kanungo 1981
Nud snail (adult), <u>Nassarius</u> <u>obsoletus</u>	Silver nitrate	25	72 hr	Distressed behavior (inability to move	250	MacInnes and Thurberg 1973
Nud snail (adult), Nassarius obsoletus	Silver nitrate	25	72 hr	Depressed respiration	500	Maclanes and Thurberg 1973
Mud snail (adult), <u>Nassarius</u> <u>absoletus</u>	Silver nitrate	25	72 hr	Mortality	20,000	Maclanes and Thurberg 1973
Blue mussel (adult), <u>Mytilus</u> <u>edulis</u>	Silver nitrate	25	96 hr	Significant increase in respiration	100	Thurberg et al. 1974
Blue mussel (adult), <u>Mytilus</u> <u>edulis</u>	Silver nitrate	15	96 hr	Significant increase in respiration	1 00	Thurberg et al. 1974
Blue mussel (embryo), <u>Mytilus</u> <u>edulis</u>	Silver nitrate	30	72 hr	EC50 (develop- ment to veliger)	< 4.4	Dinnel et al. 1983
Blue mussel (juvenile), <u>Mytilus</u> <u>edulis</u>	Silver nitrate	25	6 mo	No growth	43.7	Calabrese et al. 1984
Blue mussel (adult), Mytilus edulis	Silver nitrate	25	21 mo	Histological changes (deposition of colored particular membro and connective tises of various body or	ilates ines ssues	Calabrese et al. 1984

Table 6. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	Chemical	Salinity <u>(a/ka)</u>	Duration	Effect	Concentration (µg/L)	Reference
Bay scallop (juvenile), Argopectin irradians	Silver nitrate	25	96 hr	Significant increase in respi	22 ration	Nelson et al. 1976
Pacific oyster (gamete), Crassostrea gigas	Silver nitrate	27	1 hr	EC50 (sperm cell fertilization suc	28.8 cess)	Dinnel et al. 1983
Pacific oyster (embryo), <u>Crassostrea gigas</u>	Silver nitrate	16.5	48 hr	EC50 (development)	6.69	Coglianese 1982
Eastern oyster (larva), <u>Crassostrea</u> <u>virginica</u>	Silver nitrate	24	12 days	LC50	25	Calabrese et al. 1977a
Eastern oyster (larva), <u>Crassostrea virginica</u>	Silver nitrate	24	12 days	32.9% reduction in growth	25	Calabrese et al. 1977a
Eastern oyster (adult), <u>Crassostrea virginica</u>	Silver nitrate	35	96 hr	No significant effect on respiration	1,000	Thurberg et al. 1974
Eastern oyster (adult), <u>Crassostrea virginica</u>	Silver nitrate	25	96 hr	Significant increase in respiration	100	Thurberg et al. 1974
Eastern oyster (adult), <u>Crassostrea</u> <u>virginica</u>	Silver nitrate	15	96 hr	Significant increase in respiration	100	Thurberg et al. 1974
Surf clam (larva), <u>Spisula solidissima</u>	Silver nitrate	26	2-15 days	Significant increase in respiration	50 .	Thurberg et al. 1975

Table 6. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	Chemical	Salinity <u>(a/ka)</u>	Duration	Effect	Concentration (µg/L) ^a	Reference
Soft-shell clam (adult), <u>Mya arenaria</u>	Silver nitrate	35	96 hr	Significant increase in respiration	100	Thurberg et al. 1974
Soft-shell clam (adult), Mya arenaria	Silver nitrate	25	96 hr	Significant increase in respiration	100	Thurberg et al. 1974
Soft-shell clam (adult), <u>Mya arenaria</u>	Silver	15	96 hr .	Significant increase in respiration	100	Thurberg et al. 1974
Barnacle (adult), <u>Balanus</u> <u>balanoides</u>	Silver sulfate	-	2 days	FC80	400	Clarke 1947
Barnacte (adult), <u>Balanus</u> <u>balanoides</u>	Silver sulfate	-	5 days	LC90	200	Clarke 1947
American lobst er (adult), <u>Homarus</u> <u>americanus</u>	Silver nitrate	-	30 days	Heart transaminase activity depressed and induction of gonadal glycolytic enzymes		Calabrese et al. 1977b
Sea urchin (embryo), <u>Arbacia lixula</u>	Silver nitrate	-	52 hr	Significant reduction in embry development	0.5 o	Soyer 1963
Sea urchin (gamete), <u>Strongylocentrotus</u> <u>droebachiensis</u>	Silver nitrate	27.7-29.1	60 min	EC50 (sperm cell fertilization succ	76 ess)	Dinnel et al. 1982
Sea urchin (gamete), <u>Strongylocentrotus</u> <u>droebachiensis</u>	Silver nitrate	30	60 min	EC50 (sperm cell fertilization succ	94.0 ess)	Dinnel et al. 1983

Table 6. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Chemicel</u>	Salinity <u>(q/kq)</u>	Duretion	<u>Ellect</u>	Concentration (µg/L) ^G	Reference
Sea urchin (gamete), <u>Strongylocentrotus</u> <u>droebachiensis</u>	Silver nitrate	29	60 min	EC50 (sperm cell fertilization succ	85.9 ess)	Dinnel et al. 1983
Sea urchin (gamete), Strongylocentrotus droebachiensis	Silver nitrate	28	60 min	ECSO (sperm cell fertilization succ	44.9 ess)	Dinnel et al. 1983
Sea urchin (gamete), Strongylocentrotus droebachiensis	Silver nitrate	27	60 min	EC50 (sperm cell fertilization succ	44.3 ess)	Dinnel et al. 1983
Sea urchin (gamete), Strongylocentrotus droebachiensis	Silver nitrate	26	60 min	ECSO (sperm cell fertilization succ	, 34.1 ess)	Dinnel et al. 1983
Sea urchin (gamete), Strongylocentrotus droebachiensis	Silver nitrate	25	60 min	EC50 (sperm cell fertilization succ	29.8 ess)	Dinnel et al. 1983
Sea urchin (gamete), Strongylocentrotus droebachiensis	Silver nitrate	27	60 min	ECSO (sperm cell fertilization succ	85.7 ess)	Dinnel et al. 1983
Sea urchin (gamete), Strongylocentrotus droebachiensis	Silver nitrate	27	60 min	EC50 (sperm cell fertilization succ	84.5 ess)	Dinnel et al. 1983
Sea urchin (embryo), Strongylocentratus droebachiensis	Silver nitrate	30	5 days	EC50 (develop- ment to pluteus)	24.3	Dinnel et al. 1983
Sea urchin (gamete), Strongylocentrotus <u>franciscanus</u>	Silver nitrate	27	60 min	ECSO (sperm cell fertilization succ	112.2 ess)	Dinnel et al. 1983

Table 6. (continued)

Species	Chemical	Salinity <u>(a/kg)</u>	Duration	Effect	Concentration (µq/L)	Reference
Sea urchin (gamete), Strongylocentrotus purpuratus	Silver nitrate	27	60 min	EC50 (sperm cell fertilization succ	115.3 ess)	Binnel et al. 1983
Sea urchin (gamete), Strongylocentrotus purpuratus	Silver mitrate	27	60 min	EC50 (sperm cell fertilization succ	89.5 ess)	Dinnel et al. 1983
Sea urchin (embryo), <u>Strongylocentrotus</u> <u>purpuratus</u>	Silver nitrate	27	5 days	EC50 (develop- ment to pluteus)	14.9	Dinnel et al. 1983
Sand dollar (gamete), <u>Dendraster</u> excentricus	Silver nitrate	27-30	60 min	EC50 (sperm cell fertilization succ	*	Dinnel et al. 1983
Sand dollar (gamete), Dendraster excentricus	Silver nitrate	-	60 min	EC50 (sperm fertilization succ	45 ess)	Dinnel et al. 1982
Coho salmon (gamete), Oncorhynchus kisutch	Silver nitrate	27	60 min	ECSO (sperm cell fertilization succ	11.4 ess)	Dinnel et al. 1983
Mummichog (adult), Fundulus heteroclitus	-	-	96 hr	Inhibition of liver alkaline phosphatase activi	46 ty	Jackim et al. 1970
Mummichog (adult), <u>Fundulus heteroclitus</u>	Silver nitrate	-	96 hr	Increase in liver enzyme activ	20 ity	Jackim 1973
Mummichog (adult), <u>Fundulus heteroclitus</u>	Silver chloride	20	96 hr	Degeneration of lateral-line and olfactory structure	50 e	Gardner 1975
Cunner (adult), Tautoqolabrus adspersus	Silver nitrate	24	96 hr	Significant decrease in respiration and liver-enzyme activ	500 i ty	Gould and MacInnes 1977

Table 6. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	Chemical	Salinity <u>(q/ka)</u>	Duration	Effect	Concentration (µg/L) a	Reference
Cunner (adult), <u>Tautoqolabrus</u> adspersus	Silver acetate	24	96 hr	Significant decrease in respiration and increase in liver- enzyme activity	500	Gould and Macinnes 1977
Cunner (adult), <u>Tautoqolabrus</u> <u>adspersus</u>	Silver nitrate		96 hr	Significant decrease in respiration	120	Thurberg and Collier 1977
Winter flounder (embryo), <u>Pseudopleuronectes</u> <u>americanus</u>	Silver nitrate	ľÒ	Throughout embryonic development	Significant reduction in hatch success	> 174 !	Voyer et al. 1982
Winter flounder (embryo), <u>Pseudopleuronectes</u> <u>americanus</u>	Silver nitrate	21	Throughout embryonic development	Significant reduction in hatch success	> 167	Voyer et al. 1982
Winter flounder (embryo), <u>Pseudopleuronectes</u> <u>americanus</u>	Silver nitrate	32	Throughout embryonic development	Significant reduction in hatch success	> 166	Voyer et al 1982
Winter flounder (embryo), <u>Pseudopleuronectes</u> <u>americanus</u>	Silver nitrate	27-32	18 days	Significant reduction in hatch success	386	Klein-MacPhee et al. 1984
Winter flounder (larva), <u>Pseudopleuronectes</u> <u>americanus</u>	Silver nitrate	27-32	18 days	Significant larval mortality	92	Klein-MacPhee et al. 1984

Table 6. (continued)

<u>Species</u>	Chemical	Salinity <u>(a/ka)</u>	Duration	Effect	Concentration (μq/L) ^d	Reference
Winter flounder (larva), <u>Pseudopleuronectes</u> <u>americanus</u>	Silver nitrate	27-32	18 days	Significant effect on growth	180	Klein-MacPhee et al. 1984
Winter flounder (larva), <u>Pseudopleuronectes</u> <u>americanus</u>	Silver nitrate	27-32	18 days	No effect on growth	54	Klein-MacPhee et al 1984
Winter flounder (adult), Pseudopleuronectes americanus	Silver nitrate	-	60 days	No effect on respiration; depressed liver transaminase activ	10 ity	Calabrese et al. 1977b

a Concentration of silver, not of chemical.

b Based upon nominal concentration.

^c Zonae radiatae (egg capsule) removed.

d Salinity (g/kg), not hardness.

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