

# **Indiana Department of Environmental Management Office of Water - Water Quality Standards Section**

## TIER II HUMAN HEALTH NONCANCER VALUES

### **FLUORENE**

CAS RN: 95-94-3

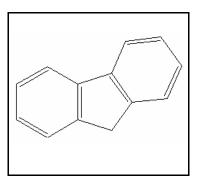
Water Solubility: 0.000019 g/100 mL

 $Log K_{ow}$ : 4.18

Reference Dose: 0.042 mg/kg/day

Carcinogenicity Weight-of-

Evidence Classification: Class D; Not classifiable



#### **Standard**

The human health noncancer fluorene value for drinking water sources is 250  $\mu$ g/L. The human health noncancer value for nondrinking water sources is 320  $\mu$ g/L.

#### **Calculations**

#### **Bioaccumulation Factor**:

BAF predicted based on Log  $K_{ow}$  (from Stephan 1993) Log  $K_{ow} = 4.18$  (generator-column method),  $K_{ow} = 15,136$ trophic level 3 FCM = 1.380; Trophic level 4 FCM = 1.13

 $f_{fd} = 1/(1+(0.00000024 \text{ kg/L})(K_{ow})) = 0.996$ 

Baseline BAF<sub>T3</sub> = (FCM)( $K_{ow}$ ) = (1.380)(15,136) = 20,888

Baseline BAF<sub>T4</sub> = (1.13)(15,136) = 17,104

Human health BAF<sub>T3</sub> = [(20,888)(0.0182)+1](0.996) = 379.6

Human health BAF<sub>T4</sub> = [(17,104)(0.0310)+1](0.996) = 529.1

## Acceptable Daily Exposure:

From the IRIS database:

$$ADE = NOAEL = 125 \text{ mg/kg-day} = 0.04167 \text{ mg/kg/d}$$
  
 $UF = 3000$ 

#### Calculation of Criteria:

Non Drinking Water HNV = [(0.04167)(70)(0.8)]/0.01+[(0.0036)(379.6)+(0.0114)(529.1)]

$$=320 \mu g/L$$

**Drinking Water HNV** = [(0.04167)(70)(0.8)]/2+[(0.0036)(379.6)+(0.0114)(529.1)]

$$=250~\mu g/L$$

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## Acronyms/Abbreviations

ADE	Acceptable Daily Exposure
BAF	Bioaccumulation Factor
CAS RN	Chemical Abstract Service Registry Number
FCM	Food Chain Multiplier
IRIS	Integrated Risk Information System
K <sub>ow</sub>	Octanol-Water Partition Coefficient
LOAEL	Lowest observed adverse effect level
NOAEL	No observed adverse effect level
P (superscript)	Predicted value
UF	Uncertainty factor

## **Revision History**

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