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Occupational Pesticide Handler Unit Exposure Surrogate Reference Table

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USEPA / Office of Pesticide Programs / Health Effects Division Occupational Pesticide Handler Unit Exposure Surrogate Reference Table Unit **Exposure Personal Protective Exposure Scenario** Data Source³ Statistic Exposure (Activity, Equipment, Formulation, Site, etc.)1 Route Equipment (PPE) Level² (µg/lb ai) Single layer, no gloves (A) **AHETF** Mean 227 Single layer, gloves **AHETF** Mean 51.6 Double layer, gloves (B) Dermal **AHETF** Mean 41.2 **Engineering control** "Best fit" 9.8 **PHED** (water-soluble packaging) Mixing / Loading Dry Flowable **AHETF** 8.96 No Respirator Mean PF5 (C) **AHETF** Mean 1.79 Inhalation PF10 (D) **AHETF** 0.896 Mean **Engineering control PHED** "Best fit" 0.24 (water-soluble packaging) Single layer, no gloves **PHED** "Best fit" 8.4 Single layer, gloves **PHED** "Best fit" 6.9 Dermal Double layer, gloves **PHED** "Best fit" 3.4 **Engineering control PHED** "Best fit" 8.6 (closed loading system) Mixing / Loading Granules **PHED** "Best fit" 1.7 No Respirator PF5 (C) **PHED** "Best fit" 0.34 Inhalation PF10 (D) **PHED** "Best fit" 0.17 Engineering control **PHED** "Best fit" 0.083 (closed loading system) Single layer, no gloves (A) **AHETF** Mean 220 Single layer, gloves **AHETF** 37.6 Mean Dermal Double layer, gloves (B) 29.1 **AHETF** Mean **Engineering control** 8.6 **PHED** "Best fit" (closed loading system) Mixing / Loading Liquids 0.219 No Respirator **AHETF** Mean PF5 (C) 0.044 **AHETF** Mean PF10 (D) Inhalation 0.022 **AHETF** Mean Engineering control **PHED** "Best fit" 0.083 (closed loading system) Single layer, no gloves **PHED** "Best fit" 3700 Single layer, gloves **PHED** "Best fit" 170 Double layer, gloves (B) **PHED** "Best fit" 130 Mixing / Loading Wettable Powders Dermal **Engineering control PHED** "Best fit" 9.8 (water-soluble packaging)

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Inhalation

Granules

Double layer, gloves (B)

No Respirator

ORETF

ORETF

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Mean

Mean

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			Double layer, gloves (E, B)	ORETF	Mean	20600		
		Inhalation	No Respirator	ORETF	Mean	1690		
			PF5 (C)	ORETF	Mean	338		
			PF10 (D)	ORETF	Mean	169		
Applicator, Total-release Fogger		Applicator exposure expected to be negligible.						
Applicator, Tree Injection		Applicator exposure expected to be negligible.						
			Single layer, no gloves (A)	ORETF	Mean	3660		
		Dermal	Single layer, gloves	ORETF	Mean	1800		
	All application sites, except animals		Double layer, gloves (B)	ORETF	Mean	1110		
			No Respirator	ORETF	Mean	61.2		
		Inhalation		MRID 41054701				
				MRID 44739301				
			PF5 (C)	ORETF	Mean	12.2		
Applicator, Trigger-spray Bottle				MRID 41054701				
				MRID 44739301				
			PF10 (D)	ORETF	Mean	6.12		
				MRID 41054701				
				MRID 44739301				
	Animal treatments	Dermal	Single layer, no gloves (F)	MRID 44433302	Mean	544000		
			Single layer, gloves (F, E)	MRID 44433302	Mean	503000		
			Double layer, gloves (G, E)	MRID 44433302	Mean	273000		
		Inhalation	No Respirator	MRID 44433302	Mean	3300		
			PF5 (C)	MRID 44433302	Mean	654		
			PF10 (D)	MRID 44433302	Mean	327		
	Granules	Dermal	Single layer, no gloves	MRID 45333401	Mean	112		
			Single layer, gloves (E)	MRID 45333401	Mean	11.2		
Applicator, Shaker can			Double layer, gloves (E)	MRID 45333401	Mean	11.2		
		Inhalation	No Respirator	MRID 45333401	Mean	12.5		
			PF5 (C)	MRID 45333401	Mean	2.51		
			PF10 (D)	MRID 45333401	Mean	1.25		
	Dusts	Dermal	Single layer, no gloves	MRID 44439901	Mean	4042000		
				MRID 45519601				
			Single layer, gloves	MRID 44439901	Mean	110000		
				MRID 45519601				
			Double layer, gloves (B)	MRID 44439901	Mean	72600		
				MRID 45519601				

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			No Respirator	MRID 44439901	Mean	17500		
				MRID 45519601				
		Inhalation	PF5 (C)	MRID 44439901	Mean	3500		
		IIIIIaiatioii		MRID 45519601				
			PF10 (D)	MRID 44439901	Mean	1750		
				MRID 45519601				
Trap/bait station	Re-fillable		Single layer, no gloves (A)	PHED	"Best fit"	104000		
		Dermal	Single layer, gloves	PHED	"Best fit"	71000		
			Double layer, gloves (B)	PHED	"Best fit"	40280		
			No Respirator	PHED	"Best fit"	470		
		Inhalation	PF5 (C)	PHED	"Best fit"	94		
			PF10 (D)	PHED	"Best fit"	47		
	Single-use		Applicator exposure expected to be negligible.					

¹ If the description of the scenario is silent on specific equipment, sites, formulations, etc., the data is applicable to all potential applications for that scenario.

Exposure monitoring data representing all levels of PPE for all scenarios is unavailable. In order to represent different PPE levels, exposure values are calculated using assumptions for the protection afforded by additional layers of clothing, chemical-resistant gloves, or respirators. Exposure assessors should be mindful of the uncertainties that this convention introduces into the overall calculations. In all cases, estimates based on direct measurements representing the PPE-level specified are the most reliable. If a scenario uses PPE calculation assumptions, they are identified in the table with one or more of the following notations:

- (A) "No glove" hand exposure back-calculated from available "gloved hand" exposure data by multiplying by 10 (i.e., chemical-resistant gloves are assumed to reduce hand exposure by 90%).
- (B) "Double layer" body exposure calculated from available "single layer" body exposure data by dividing by 2 (i.e., an additional layer of clothing is assumed to reduce body exposure by 50%).
- (C) "PF5" respirator exposure calculated from available "no respirator" exposure data by dividing by 5 (i.e., a PF5 respirator is assumed to reduce inhalation exposure by 80%).
- (D) "PF10" respirator exposure calculated from available "no respirator" exposure data by dividing by 10 (i.e., a PF10 respirator is assumed to reduce inhalation exposure by 90%).
- (E) "Gloved" hand exposure calculated from available "no glove" hand exposure data by dividing by 10 (i.e., chemical-resistant gloves are assumed to reduce hand exposure by 90%).
- (F) "Single layer" body exposure calculated from available "total deposition" body exposure data by dividing by 2 (i.e., an additional layer of clothing is assumed to reduce body exposure by 50%).
- (G) "Double layer" body exposure calculated from available "total deposition" body exposure data by dividing by 4 (i.e., two layers of clothing are assumed to reduce body exposure by 75%).

If a scenario does not have one of these notations, the data underlying the recommended values is a direct match for the indicated level of PPE.

² Single layer = long-sleeve shirt, long pants, shoes plus socks. Double layer = "coveralls" in addition to single layer.

³ PHED = Pesticide Handler Exposure Database; AHETF = Agricultural Handler Exposure Task Force; ORETF = Outdoor Residential Exposure Task Force; MRID = Master Record Identification (#).

⁴ Due to the effect that the back-calculation from "gloved hands" to represent "non-gloved hands" has on distributional variability and parametric estimates, no adjustment was made to hand measurements to represent unit exposures for "single layer, no gloves". That is, the unit exposure for "single layer, gloves" is also assigned to "single layer, no gloves".

Attachment 1 Documentation of Revisions

Date	Documentation of Revisions (as of September 2015)				
Apr2011	Original version, modeled based on "PHED Surrogate Guide"				
	Reflects move from data from PHED to AHETF for following scenarios				
	o Open Cab Groundboom				
	o Open Mix/Load Liquids				
	Open Mix/Load Dry Flowable				
	Published EPA webpage on occupational pesticide handler exposure, including link to reference table				
May2011	Replaced PHED values for "Closed Cab Airblast" with those from AHETF				
Jun2011	Replaced PHED values for "Open Cab Airblast" with those from AHETF				
	• Corrected unit exposure for "Mixer / Loader / Applicator, Low-pressure Handwand, Wettable Powder, Double layer, gloves" from 620				
	μg/lb ai to 6200 μg/lb ai				
Sep2011	Reflects overhaul of exposure scenario assignment of available surrogate data				
	 New scenarios added (e.g., pet/animal treatments) 				
	 Scenario subsets added (e.g., power handgun site subsets) 				
	Available individual proprietary studies assigned				
	Footnotes edited				
	Orientation changed to landscape to accommodate scenario additions				
Mar2012	• Corrected "Dip" and "Sponge" inhalation unit exposures to reflect use of ½ LOD without correction for field fortification per standard policy				
	 Corrected "Mixing / Loading Liquids" inhalation unit exposures to 2 significant figures 				
	• Removed PPE footnote notation "(H)" since that does not apply to any scenario				
	• Corrected PPE notations for "Spoon" scenario to reflect exposure monitoring of "total deposition with chemical-resistant gloves"				
	• For "Mechanically-pressurized Handgun Sprayer", added "Specialty Agricultural Crops" to a sub-set category				
	Added "Documentation of Revisions" as an attachment				
Mar2013	Aerial Applicator scenario: PHED replaced with data from the AHETF				
	Re-assigned MRID45773201 to drench/soil-directed applications of wettable powders only				
	• Footnote (G) typographical correction: "100%" corrected to "75%" (unit exposures are unchanged)				
Sept2015	Additional livestock treatment scenarios incorporated (backpack and mechanically-pressurized handgun)				
	Wildlife management incorporated into mechanically-pressurized handgun scenario				
	Mushroom houses incorporated into mechanically-pressurized handgun scenario and manually-pressurized handwand scenario				
	Granule formulations added to "animal, feed-through" scenario				
	Characterized Animal treatments as "Pet" or "Livestock"				
	• Incorporated new data from AHETF for backpack applicator and mechanically-pressurized handgun applicators in rights-of-ways and other				
	similar use patterns.				
	Added tree injection applicator scenario.				