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This report presents the results of the bioassay of FORWARD: malathion conducted for the Carcinogenesis Testing Program, Division Cancer Cause and Prevention, National Cancer of Institute (NCI), National Institutes of Health, This is one of a series of experiments designed to Maryland. determine whether selected environmental chemicals have the capacity of produce cancer in animals. Negative results, in which the test animals do not have a greater incidence of cancer than control animals, do not necessarily mean that the test chemical is not a carcinogen, inasmuch as the experiments are conducted under a limited set of circumstances. Positive results demonstrate that the test chemical is carcinogenic for animals under the conditions of the test and indicate that exposure to the chemical is a potential risk to man. The actual determination of the risk to man from animal carcinogens requires a wider analysis.

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#### SUMMARY

A bioassay of technical-grade malathion for possible carcinogenicity was conducted by administering the test chemical in feed to Osborne-Mendel rats and B6C3F1 mice.

Groups of 50 rats of each sex were administered malathion at one of two doses for 80 weeks, then observed for 33 weeks. Time-weighted average doses were 4,700 or 8,150 ppm. Matched controls consisted of groups of 15 untreated rats of each sex; pooled controls consisted of the matched controls combined with 40 untreated male and 40 untreated female rats from similar bioassays of four other test chemicals. All surviving rats were killed at 108-113 weeks.

Groups of 50 mice of each sex were administered malathion at one of two doses, either 8,000 or 16,000 ppm, for 80 weeks, then observed for 14 or 15 weeks. Matched controls consisted of groups of 10 untreated mice of each sex; pooled controls consisted of the matched controls combined with 40 untreated male and 40 untreated female mice from similar bioassays of four other test chemicals. All surviving mice were killed at 94 or 95 weeks.

Mortality in either rats or mice was not significantly related to the administration of malathion. Sufficient numbers of animals were at risk in the dosed and control groups of rats and mice of each sex for development of late-appearing tumors.

In female rats, three follicular-cell carcinomas and one follicular-cell adenoma of the thyroid occurred in the high-dose group, and three follicular-cell hyperplasias occurred in the low-dose group. The incidence of these tumors showed a statistically significant (P = 0.026) dose-related trend; however, the results of the Fisher exact test for direct comparison between the dosed and control groups were not significant. More dosed males than dosed females had either tumors or hyperplasia of the follicular

cells of the thyroid; however, because of the higher incidence of tumors among the male controls, none of the results of the statistical tests were significant. These thyroid tumors were not considered to be associated with the administration of malathion.

In male mice, hepatocellular carcinoma occurred at the following incidences: matched controls 2/10, pooled controls 5/49, lowdose 7/48, high-dose 11/49. In addition, neoplastic nodules occurred in 3/49 pooled-control and 6/49 high-dose animals. When the combined incidence of these neoplasms in the dosed animals was compared with that of the pooled controls, the dose-related trend was P = 0.019 and the direct comparison of the high-dose group with the control group was P = 0.031. Thus, none of the direct comparisons of dosed groups with controls were significant using the Bonferroni criteria. In addition, the historical controls from this laboratory had several control groups with incidences of 35-40% hepatocellular carcinoma, rates which are comparable with the incidence of this tumor in the dosed male mice of the present study. Thus, these liver tumors are not considered to be associated with the administration of malathion. The incidences of liver tumors in dosed females were not statistically significant when compared with that in control animals.

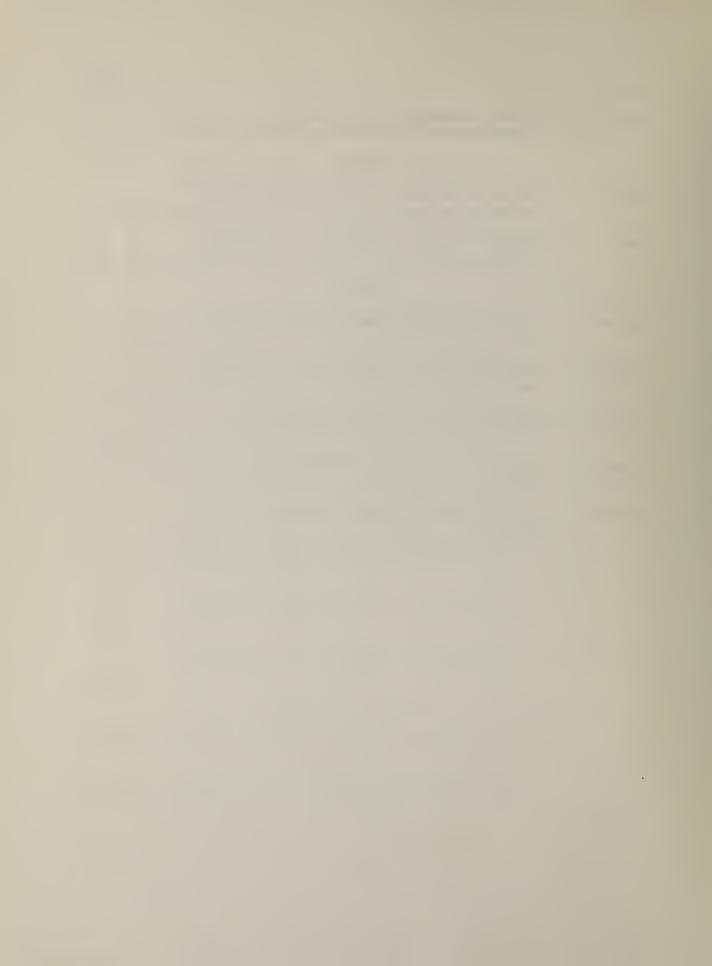
It is concluded that under the conditions of this bioassay, there was no clear evidence of the association of the tumor incidence with the administration of malathion to Osborne-Mendel rats or B6C3Fl mice.

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### I. INTRODUCTION

Malathion (CAS 121-75-5; NCI CO0215) is the generic name for S-(1,2-dicarbethoxyethy1)-0,0-dimethyldithiophosphate, which is an organophosphorus insecticide and acaricide first synthesized in the United States in 1952. Malathion primarily affects the nervous system by inhibition of cholinesterase activity and subsequent accumulation of acetylcholine (Koelle, 1975). However, it has a low mammalian toxicity (Eto, 1974). Malathion is approved for a wide variety of uses as an insecticide and acaricide on field crops, fruits, nut trees, vegetables, livestock, agricultural premises, and land. Tolerances for residues of malathion have been established on many of these products (EPA, 1972).

Malathion was selected for the Carcinogenesis Testing Program because of its wide use in agriculture and the absence of adequate chronic studies of the chemical.



## II. MATERIALS AND METHODS

#### A. Chemical

The technical-grade malathion used for the chronic study was obtained in a single batch (Lot No. SPS-10127) from American Cyanamid Company, Agricultural Division, Princeton, New Jersey. The identity of the chemical was confirmed at Gulf South Research Institute by infrared, nuclear magnetic resonance, and mass spectral analyses. Gas-liquid chromatographic analysis (electron capture detector, DC-200 column) showed a single peak, consistent with the manufacturer's specification of 95% minimum purity. No attempt was made to identify or quantitate impurities.

The chemical was stored in the original container at approximately  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  until used.

#### B. Dietary Preparation

All test diets were formulated using Wayne® Lab Blox animal meal (Allied Mills, Inc., Chicago, Ill.) to which was added the required amount of malathion for each dietary concentration. The test chemical was first dissolved in a small amount of acetone (Mallinckrodt, Inc., St. Louis, Mo.), which was then added to the feed. Corn oil (Louana®, Opelousas Refinery, Opelousas, La.) was also added to the feed, primarily as a dust suppressant, and the

diets were mixed mechanically to assure homogeneity of the mixtures and evaporation of the acetone. Final diets, including those for the control groups of animals, contained corn oil equal to 2% of the final weight of feed. The diets were stored at approximately 17°C until used, but no longer than 1 week.

The stability of malathion in feed was tested by determining the concentration of the chemical in formulated diets at intervals over a 7-day period. Diets containing 1,000, 8,000, or 10,000 ppm malathion showed no change on standing at ambient temperature for this period.

As a quality control test on the accuracy of preparation of the diets, the concentration of malathion was determined in different batches of formulated diets during the chronic study. The results are summarized in Appendix G. At each dietary concentration, the mean of the analytical concentrations for the checked samples was within 2.5% of the theoretical concentration, and the coefficient of variation was never more than 5.0%. Thus, the evidence indicates that the formulated diets were prepared accurately.

## C. Animals

Rats and mice of each sex, obtained through contracts of the Division of Cancer Treatment, National Cancer Institute, were

used in these bioassays. The rats were of the Osborne-Mendel strain obtained from Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio, and the mice were B6C3Fl hybrids obtained from Charles River Breeding Laboratories, Inc., Wilmington, Massachusetts. On arrival at the laboratory, all animals were quarantined (rats for 4 days, mice for 15 days) and were then assigned to control or dosed groups.

## D. <u>Animal Maintenance</u>

All animals were housed in temperature— and humidity—controlled rooms. The temperature range was 22-24°C, and the relative humidity was maintained at 40-70%. The air in each room was changed 10-12 times per hour. Fluorescent light provided illumination 10 hours per day. Food and water were available ad libitum.

The rats were housed individually in hanging galvanized steel mesh cages, and the mice were housed in plastic cages covered with filter bonnets, five animals per cage for females, and two or three animals per cage for males. Initially, rats were transferred once per week to clean cages; later in the study, cages were changed every 2 weeks. Mice were transferred once per week to clean cages covered with filter bonnets; bedding used for the mice was Absorb-Dri® (Lab Products, Inc., Garfield N. J.).

For rats, absorbent sheets under the cages were changed three times per week. Feeder jars and water bottles were changed and sterilized three times per week.

Cages for control and dosed mice were placed on separate racks in the same room. Animal racks for both species were rotated laterally once per week; at the same time, each cage was changed to a different position in the row within the same column. Rats receiving malathion, along with their matched controls, were housed in a room by themselves. Mice receiving malathion were maintained in a room housing mice fed tetrachlorvinphos (CAS 961-11-5) and dieldrin (CAS 60-57-1), together with their respective matched controls.

## E. Subchronic Studies

Subchronic feeding studies were conducted to estimate the maximum tolerated doses of malathion, on the basis of which low and high concentrations (hereinafter referred to as "low doses" and "high doses") were determined for administration in the chronic studies. In these subchronic studies, malathion was added to the animal feed in twofold increasing concentrations, ranging from 1,000 to 8,000 ppm for rats and 250 to 8,000 ppm for mice. Treated and control groups each consisted of five male and five female animals. The chemical was provided in feed to dosed

groups for 6 weeks, followed by observation for 2 weeks. Because there were no deaths in any dosed group of rats or mice during the study, a second study was performed with doses of 8,000 to 32,000 ppm for rats and 4,000 to 32,000 ppm for mice.

In the second study, all rats and four male mice receiving 32,000 ppm died by week 3. No animal receiving 16,000 ppm died, but mean weight gains decreased early in the study. The low and high doses for the chronic studies using both rats and mice were set at 8,000 and 16,000 ppm.

## F. Designs of Chronic Studies

The designs of the chronic studies are shown in tables 1 and 2. The matched-control groups for restarted high-dose rats included five animals of each sex; initially, 16,000 ppm was fed to rats of each sex as the high dose, and 10 matched controls of each sex were used. Because this dose of malathion was too toxic, the high-dose study was terminated and new high-dose groups were started, as shown in table 1.

Since the numbers of animals in the matched-control groups were small, pooled-control groups also were used for statistical comparisons. The pooled-control groups consisted of the matched controls from the bioassay of malathion combined with matched controls from the bioassays of tetrachlorvinphos, toxaphene (CAS)

Table 1. Design of Malathion Chronic Feeding Studies in Rats

Sex and Test Group	Initial No. of Animals <sup>a</sup>	Malathion in Diet <sup>b</sup> (ppm)	Time o Dosed (weeks)	n Study Observed <sup>c</sup> (weeks)	Time-Weighted Average Dose <sup>d</sup> (ppm)
Male					
Low-Dose Matched-Control	10	0		113	
High-Dose Matched-Control	5	0		108	
Low-Dose	50	8,000 4,000 0	14 66	33	4,700
High <b>-</b> Dose <sup>e</sup>	50	12,000 8,000 0	3 77	29	8,150
Female					
Low-Dose Matched-Control	10	0		113	
High-Dose Matched-Control	5	0		109	
Low-Dose	50	8,000 4,000 0	14 66	33	4,700
High <b>-</b> Dose	50 <sup>e</sup>	12,000 8,000 0	3 77	29	8,150

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>All animals were 35 days of age when placed on study.

bDoses were lowered after 3 and 14 weeks on study, based on the pattern of mortality, changes in body weight, and the general condition of the animals in this and other carcinogen bioassays; it was believed that excessive mortality might otherwise occur before termination of the study.

Table 1. Design of Malathion Chronic Feeding Studies in Rats

## (continued)

CWhen diets containing malathion were discontinued, low-dose rats and their matched controls were fed a control diet without corn oil for 2 weeks, then the control diet (2% corn oil added) for an additional 31 weeks. High-dose rats received the control diet until termination of the study.

dTime-weighted average dose =  $\Sigma$  (dose in ppm x no. of weeks at that dose)  $\Sigma$  (no. of weeks receiving each dose)

<sup>e</sup>Original high-dose groups were terminated due to the toxic effects of malathion, and new high-dose groups were started at the doses indicated.

Table 2. Design of Malathion Chronic Feeding Studies in Mice

Sex and	Initial	Malathion	Time on S	Study
Test	No. of	in Diet	Dosed	Observedb
Group	Animalsa	(ppm)	(weeks)	(weeks)
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<u>Male</u>				
Matched-Control	10	0		95
Matched-Control	10	0		90
T D	50	0.000	0.0	
Low-Dose	50	8,000	80	
		0		14-15
High-Dose	50	16,000	80	
_		0		15
Female				
Temate				
Watched Control	10	0		95
Matched-Control	10	0		95
	= -	0.000		
Low-Dose	50	8,000	80	
		0		14
High-Dose	50	16,000	80	
-		0		15

aAll animals were 35 days of age when placed on study.

bWhen diets containing malathion were discontinued, all mice received the control diet (2% corn oil added) until termination of the study.

8001-35-2), endrin (CAS 72-20-8), and lindane (CAS 58-89-9), to give groups of 55 male and 55 female rats, and 50 male and 50 female mice. The bioassays of chemicals other than malathion were also conducted at Gulf South Research Institute and overlapped the bioassay of malathion by at least 1 year. The matched-controls were of the same strain and from the same supplier and were examined by the same pathologists. Because additional matched controls were started simultaneously with restarted dosed groups for some of these bioassays, the number of animals in the pooled-control groups varied.

# G. Clinical and Pathologic Examinations

All animals were observed twice per day for signs of toxicity, weighed at regular intervals, and palpated for masses at each weighing. Animals that were moribund at the time of daily examination were killed and necropsied.

The pathologic evaluation consisted of gross and microscopic examination of major tissues, major organs, and all gross lesions from killed animals and from animals found dead. The following tissues were examined microscopically: skin, lungs and bronchi, trachea, bone and bone marrow, spleen, lymph nodes, heart, salivary gland, liver, gallbladder (mice), pancreas, stomach, small intestine, large intestine, kidney, urinary bladder,

pituitary, adrenal, thyroid, parathyroid, mammary gland, prostate or uterus, testis or ovary, and brain. Occasionally, additional tissues were also examined microscopically. The different tissues were preserved in 10% buffered formalin, embedded in paraffin, sectioned, and stained with hematoxylin and eosin. Special staining techniques were utilized when indicated for more definitive diagnosis.

A few tissues from some animals were not examined, particularly from those animals that died early. Also, some animals were missing, cannibalized, or judged to be in such an advanced state of autolysis as to preclude histopathologic evaluation. Thus, the number of animals from which particular organs or tissues were examined microscopically varies, and does not necessarily represent the number of animals that were placed on study in each group.

## H. Data Recording and Statistical Analyses

Pertinent data on this experiment have been recorded in an automatic data processing system, the Carcinogenesis Bioassay Data System (Linhart et al., 1974). The data elements include descriptive information on the chemicals, animals, experimental design, clinical observations, survival, body weight, and individual pathologic results, as recommended by the International Union

Against Cancer (Berenblum, 1969). Data tables were generated for verification of data transcription and for statistical review.

These data were analyzed using the statistical techniques described in this section. Those analyses of the experimental results that bear on the possibility of carcinogenicity are discussed in the statistical narrative sections.

Probabilities of survival were estimated by the product-limit procedure of Kaplan and Meier (1958) and are presented in this report in the form of graphs. Animals were statistically censored as of the time that they died of other than natural causes or were found to be missing; animals dying from natural causes were not statistically censored. Statistical analyses for a possible dose-related effect on survival used the method of Cox (1972) for testing two groups for equality and Tarone's (1975) extensions of Cox's methods for testing for a dose-related trend. One-tailed P values have been reported for all tests except the departure from linearity test, which is only reported when its two-tailed P value is less than 0.05.

The incidence of neoplastic or nonneoplastic lesions has been given as the ratio of the number of animals bearing such lesions at a specific anatomic site (numerator) to the number of animals in which that site is examined (denominator). In most instances,

the denominators included only those animals for which that site was examined histologically. However, when macroscopic examination was required to detect lesions prior to histologic sampling (e.g., skin or mammary tumors), or when lesions could have appeared at multiple sites (e.g., lymphomas), the denominators consist of the numbers of animals necropsied.

The purpose of the statistical analyses of tumor incidence is to determine whether animals receiving the test chemical developed a significantly higher proportion of tumors than did the control animals. As a part of these analyses, the one-tailed Fisher exact test (Cox, 1970) was used to compare the tumor incidence of a control group with that of a group of dosed animals at each dose level. When results for a number of dosed groups (k) are compared simultaneously with those for a control group, a correction to ensure an overall significance level of 0.05 may be made. The Bonferroni inequality (Miller, 1966) requires that the P value for any comparison be less than or equal to 0.05/k. In cases where this correction was used, it is discussed in the narrative section. It is not, however, presented in the tables, where the Fisher exact P values are shown.

The Cochran-Armitage test for linear trend in proportions, with continuity correction (Armitage, 1971), was also used. Under the assumption of a linear trend, this test determines if the slope

of the dose-response curve is different from zero at the one-tailed 0.05 level of significance. Unless otherwise noted, the direction of the significant trend is a positive dose relation-ship. This method also provides a two-tailed test of departure from linear trend.

A time-adjusted analysis was applied when numerous early deaths resulted from causes that were not associated with the formation of tumors. In this analysis, deaths that occurred before the first tumor was observed were excluded by basing the statistical tests on animals that survived at least 52 weeks, unless a tumor was found at the anatomic site of interest before week 52. When such an early tumor was found, comparisons were based exclusively on animals that survived at least as long as the animal in which the first tumor was found. Once this reduced set of data was obtained, the standard procedures for analyses of the incidence of tumors (Fisher exact tests, Cochran-Armitage tests, etc.) were followed.

When appropriate, life-table methods were used to analyze the incidence of tumors. Curves of the proportions surviving without an observed tumor were computed as in Saffiotti et al. (1972). The week during which an animal died naturally or was sacrificed was entered as the time point of tumor observation. Cox's methods of comparing these curves were used for two groups;

Tarone's extension to testing for linear trend was used for three groups. The statistical tests for the incidence of tumors which used life-table methods were one-tailed and, unless otherwise noted, in the direction of a positive dose relationship. Significant departures from linearity (P < 0.05, two-tailed test) were also noted.

The approximate 95 percent confidence interval for the relative risk of each dosed group compared to its control was calculated from the exact interval on the odds ratio (Gart, 1971). The relative risk is defined as  $p_t/p_c$  where  $p_t$  is the true binomial probability of the incidence of a specific type of tumor in a dosed group of animals and  $p_c$  is the true probability of the spontaneous incidence of the same type of tumor in a control group. The hypothesis of equality between the true proportion of a specific tumor in a dosed group and the proportion in a control group corresponds to a relative risk of unity. Values in excess of unity represent the condition of a larger proportion in the dosed group than in the control.

The lower and upper limits of the confidence interval of the relative risk have been included in the tables of statistical analyses. The interpretation of the limits is that in approximately 95% of a large number of identical experiments, the true ratio of the risk in a dosed group of animals to that in a

control group would be within the interval calculated from the experiment. When the lower limit of the confidence interval is greater than one, it can be inferred that a statistically significant result (P < 0.025 one-tailed test when the control incidence is not zero, P < 0.050 when the control incidence is zero) has occurred. When the lower limit is less than unity, but the upper limit is greater than unity, the lower limit indicates the absence of a significant result while the upper limit indicates that there is a theoretical possibility of the induction of tumors by the test chemical, which could not be detected under the conditions of this test.



## III. RESULTS - RATS

## A. Body Weights and Clinical Signs (Rats)

During the period of rapid growth, the mean body weights of the low- and high-dose male rats were slightly lower than those of the controls (figure 1); thereafter, no differences between weights of dosed and control groups were discernible. In females, the mean body weights were generally lower in the dosed groups than in the controls throughout the study (figure 2). Fluctuations in the growth curve may be due to mortality; as the size of a group diminishes, the mean body weight may be subject to wide variation.

After 2 weeks on study, generalized body tremors were observed in one low-dose male and one high-dose male. During the remainder of the first year, the dosed animals were generally comparable to the controls in appearance and behavior. A few animals showed evidence of an eye infection that was diagnosed by the pathologists at the laboratory as viral conjunctivitis.

During the second year of study, clinical signs including rough hair coats, pale mucous membranes, dermatitis, ataxia, alopecia, hematuria, and vaginal bleeding were observed with increasing frequency in dosed animals.

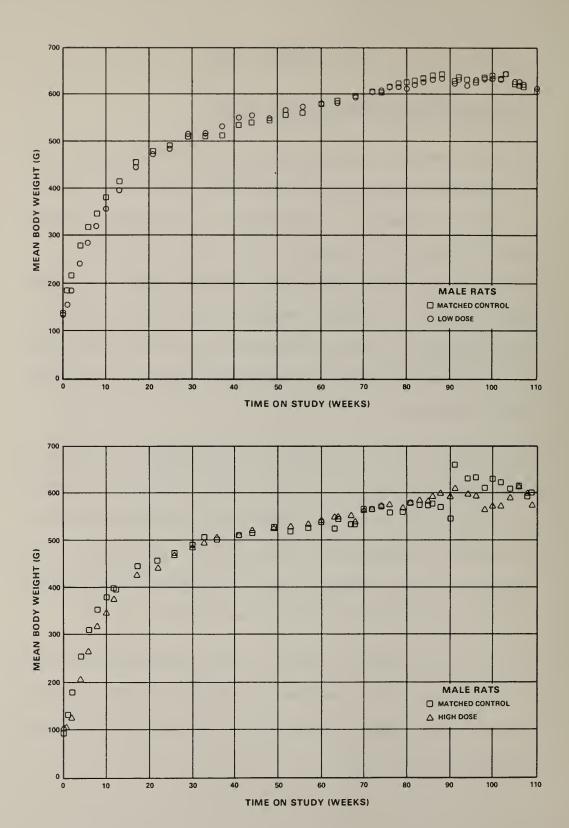


Figure 1. Growth Curves for Male Rats Fed Malathion in the Die

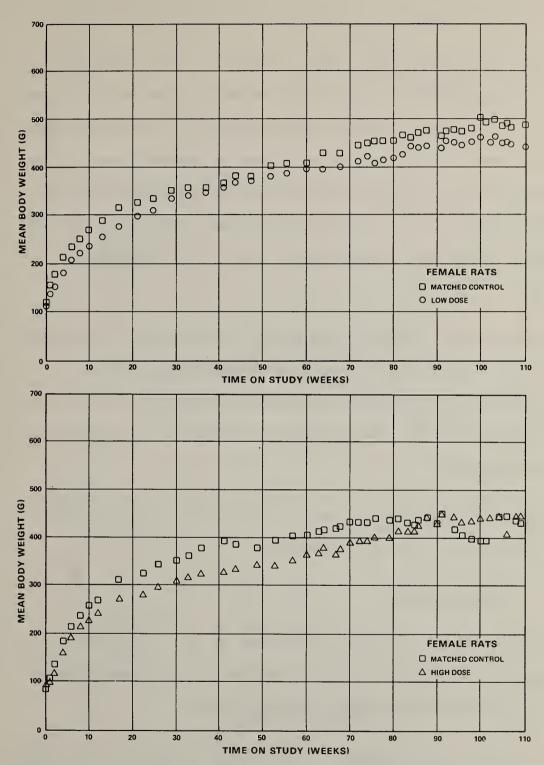


Figure 2. Growth Curves for Female Rats Fed Malathion in the Diet

## B. Survival (Rats)

The Kaplan and Meier curves estimating the probabilities of survival for male and female rats fed malathion at the doses used in this bioassay, together with those of the matched controls, are shown in figure 3. Two groups of matched controls, one consisting of 5 animals and the other of 10 animals, were used in this study. In the statistical analyses, these two groups were combined to give matched-control groups of 15 animals for each sex.

Neither male nor female rats showed a statistically significant dose-related trend in mortality. Fifty-eight percent of the high-dose males and 67% of the high-dose females survived to the end of the study, and survival was higher in the low-dose and control groups.

Sufficient numbers of rats of each sex were at risk for development of late-appearing tumors.

## C. Pathology (Rats)

Histopathologic findings on neoplasms in rats are summarized in Appendix A, tables Al and A2; findings on nonneoplastic lesions are summarized in Appendix C, tables Cl and C2.

In general, the majority of the tumors occurred in the dosed

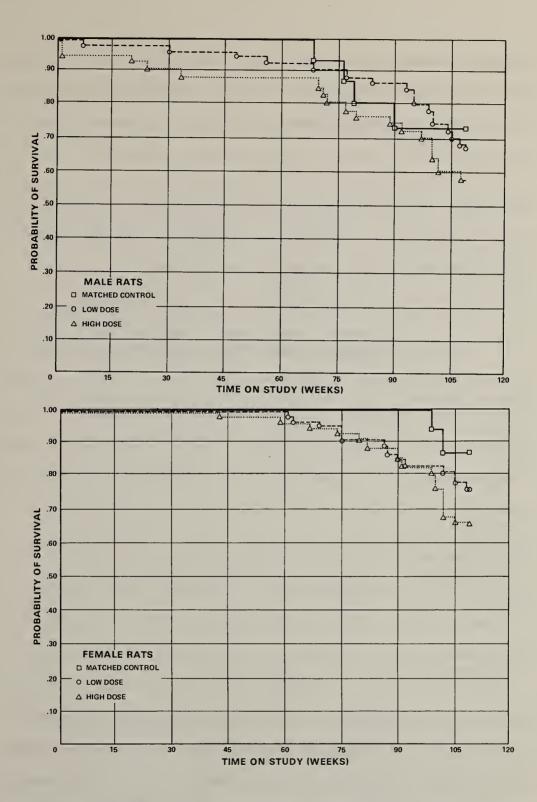


Figure 3. Survival Curves for Rats Fed Malathion in the Diet

animals; however, these tumors were found with a low frequency, except for chromophobe adenomas of the pituitary gland, fibro-adenomas of the mammary gland, and follicular-cell carcinomas of the thyroid gland.

There were higher incidences of proliferative lesions of the thyroid gland in the dosed groups than in the matched controls.

The incidences of these lesions were as follows:

		MALES		F	EMALES	
	Matched Control	Low Dose	High Dose	Matched Control	Low Dose	High Dose
Number of Tissues Examined	(14)	(41)	(47)	(15)	(48)	(49)
Thyroid						
C-cell Hyperplasia	0	1	3	0	5	3
C-cell Adenoma	0	1	3	0	1	2
Follicular-cell Hyperplasia	1	7	8	0	3	0
Follicular-cell Adenoma	1	1	1	0	0	1
Follicular-cell Carcinoma	0	2	6	0	0	3

Follicular-cell carcinomas of the thyroid occurred unilaterally and were nodular in appearance. They varied in size, the largest being 0.9 cm in diameter, while the smallest, 0.2 cm in diameter, was not detected by gross examination. Microscopically, they

were well-differentiated neoplasms made up of densely cellular zones interrupted by less cellular areas containing follicular structures of variable sizes and shapes and containing colloid. Papillary and acinar features occurred essentially with equal frequency. Some lesions appeared to have an incomplete connective tissue capsule through and beyond which neoplastic follicular cells had extended. Invasive growth into preexisting thyroid parenchyma was common, and an occasional example of extension into surrounding musculature was also seen. The cells were somewhat small and cuboidal in outline with pale eosinophilic cytoplasm. Nuclei were relatively large and essentially oval in outline, having well-delineated nuclear membranes and ample, finely stippled nucleoplasm. Mitoses were infrequent. Degenerative changes were evident, but not abundant. Distant metastases were not observed.

Follicular-cell hyperplasia occurred unilaterally, and foci were small in size, thus undetected by gross examination. Microscopically, a single focus, or occasionally two foci, occurred within the thyroid lobe. These foci were unencapsulated and did not seem to be compressing the surrounding thyroid tissue to any great degree. They consisted of several thyroid follicles of variable sizes; many contained normal-appearing colloid. The epithelial wall of these follicles was most commonly cuboidal in

appearance, but epithelial height showed somewhat of an inverse relationship to the diameter of the follicle. Within the larger follicles, thin papillary infoldings in the epithelial wall, suggestive of a colloid involutionary change, were observed. This lesion was thought to be most compatible with a reactivemetabolic change. Microscopically, there was a more or less diffuse increase in the number of interfollicular cells in the thyroid. The cells were pale-staining and polygonal in shape with ill-defined borders. There was a subtle tendency toward nesting. The cytoplasm was somewhat amphophilic and fairly stippled. The nuclei were also pale and uniformly stippled. These cells were positioned around and between thyroid follicles and seemed to encroach upon the follicles, probably causing a reduction in their size. These changes could be seen in one or both lobes, and occasionally in the same lobe with follicularcell hyperplasia or follicular-cell adenoma.

Numerous nonproliferative lesions, including testicular atrophy and chronic inflammation of the kidney, occurred with low frequency in the control and dosed rats. In addition, cysts of the pituitary gland were seen in 12/43 (28%) low-dose and 10/46 (22%) high-dose males receiving malathion, but the dosed female rats, except for one high-dose female, did not have these lesions of the pituitary gland.

The neoplastic and nonneoplastic lesions that occurred in the rats used in this study appeared in a variety of tissues of most organ systems, and for the most part, the incidences in dosed and control animals were comparable. In a few instances, lesions appeared in dosed animals only, but not in significant numbers. This was particularly true for some of the neoplastic lesions in the endocrine and reproductive systems of the rats. These pathologic changes have commonly been observed in control animals of the same strain in other studies of carcinogenicity and are, therefore, considered to be coincidental. In the judgment of the pathologists, this study shows no evidence of carcinogenicity induced by administration of malathion in the Osborne-Mendel rats at the doses used.

## D. Statistical Analyses of Results (Rats)

Tables El and E2 in Appendix E contain the statistical analyses of the incidences of those specific primary tumors that occurred in at least two animals in one group and with an incidence of at least 5% in one or more than one group.

The incidences of tumors in the matched and pooled controls in this study do not differ statistically from the incidences seen in data compiled to date from similar studies in the same laboratory. In male rats, the Cochran-Armitage test results for dose-related trend had levels of significance greater than P = 0.05 for incidences of all tumors listed. Also, the results of the Fisher exact test for the comparison of dosed groups with either group of controls were not statistically significant. There was no statistical evidence, therefore, for carcinogenicity of malathion in the male rats.

In female rats, follicular-cell carcinoma or follicular-cell adenoma of the thyroid appeared in 4/49 (8%) of the high-dose group, but in no animals in either set of controls. The Cochran-Armitage test indicates a significant (P = 0.026) positive linear trend in incidence using pooled controls; however, the results of the Fisher exact test are not significant. The spontaneous rate of this tumor in female Osborne-Mendel rats as observed to date at this laboratory is 6/271 (2.2%). No other tumor in the rats appeared at any site in statistically significant incidences. In each of the 95% confidence intervals, shown in the tables, one is included; this indicates the absence of significant positive results. It should also be noted that each of the intervals has an upper limit greater than one, indicating the theoretical possibility of the induction of tumors in rats from malathion, which could not be detected under the conditions of this test.

#### IV. RESULTS - MICE

### A. Body Weights and Clinical Signs (Mice)

Throughout the study, the mean body weights of the dosed male and female mice were lower than those of their controls (figure 4). The data also indicate dose-related effects of malathion on mean body weight. Fluctuations in the growth curve may be due to mortality; as a size of the group diminishes, the mean body weight may be subject to wide variation.

During the first 6 months of the study, the dosed animals were generally comparable to the controls in appearance and behavior. At week 31, all of the female controls appeared to be hyperexcitable, but this condition did not persist.

During the second year of the study, clinical signs including alopecia, rough and discolored hair coats, poor food consumption, hyperexcitability, and abdominal distention were noted with increasing frequency in dosed animals. A few animals appeared to be hyporeactive, and some had a hunched appearance. At week 71, five high-dose females exhibited generalized body tremors, a condition which persisted until week 79. At week 72, a majority of the high-dose males and females began coughing and sneezing; this condition persisted until termination of the study.

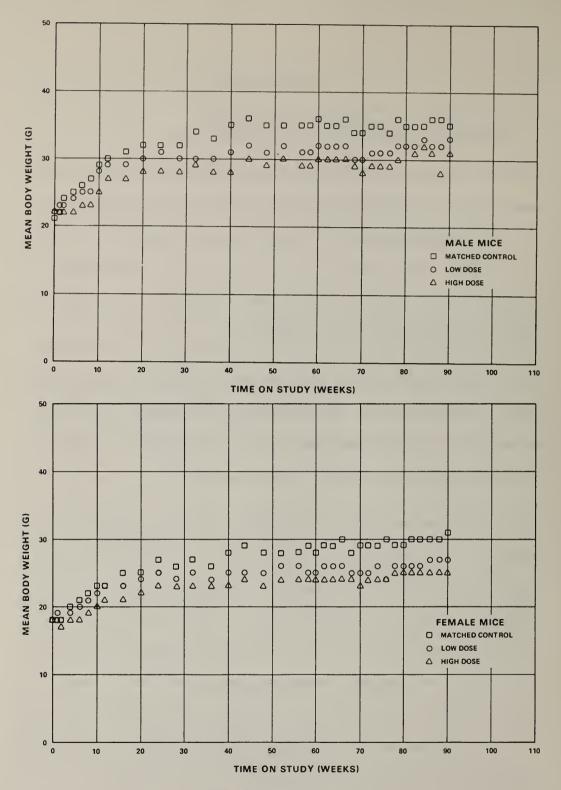


Figure 4. Growth Curves for Mice Fed Malathion in the Diet

### B. Survival (Mice)

The Kaplan and Meier curves estimating the probabilities of survival for male and female mice fed malathion at the doses used in this bioassay, together with those of the matched controls, are shown in figure 5. Neither male nor female mice exhibited a statistically significant dose-related trend in mortality. Ninety-four percent of the high-dose males and 88% of the high-dose females survived to termination of the study. Survival in each sex was higher in the dosed than in the control group. Sufficient numbers of animals of each sex were at risk for development of late-appearing tumors.

## C. Pathology (Mice)

Histopathologic findings on neoplasms in mice are summarized in Appendix B, tables Bl and B2; findings on nonneoplastic lesions are summarized in Appendix D, tables D1 and D2.

In mice, the only frequently occurring tumor was hepatocellular carcinoma in the males (controls 2/10 [20%], low-dose 7/48 [15%], high-dose 11/49 [22%]); none were found in female mice. The hepatocellular carcinomas varied in microscopic tinctorial qualities, architectural patterns, and cytologic morphology. Some of these lesions, particularly the smaller ones, were observed, not at necropsy, but only after the liver had been

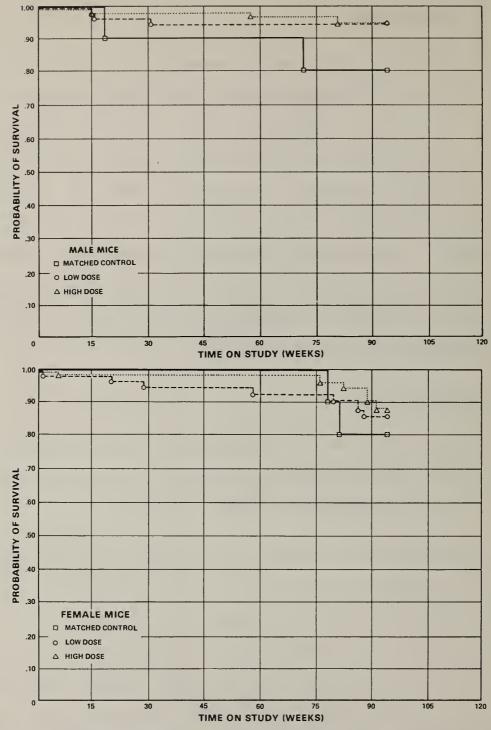


Figure 5. Survival Curves for Mice Fed Malathion in the Diet

fixed. Grossly, the neoplasms varied in size from microscopic to 2-3 cm in diameter, and were usually round and well limited. Some had a multinodular appearance, and their boundaries were not conspicuous. The tumors were located either immediately under the capsule and bulged on the visceral surface or were deep within the parenchyma. In the majority of cases, a single tumor was found, but multifocal lesions were also observed.

Microscopically, the tumors were clearly discernible, because of changes in the architectural and/or tinctorial characteristics that distinguish the neoplastic from the normal tissues. In addition, the surrounding normal liver plates were compressed and narrowed, due to expansion of the tumor. No capsule formation was evident. The neoplastic hepatocytes were variable in size and shape, but often resembled normal liver cells. Anaplastic features were common and served to differentiate malignant and benign neoplastic lesions of the liver. As mentioned previously, the liver cells in the tumors were arranged in different patterns, some of which closely resembled the normal architecture, while others exhibited disorganized or disoriented liver plates. Degenerative changes were often associated with the hepatocellular carcinomas. No metastases to other organs were observed.

Neoplastic nodules of the liver occurred in six high-dose male and two high-dose female mice. These nodules consisted of one or

several small, well-circumscribed nodules located within the hepatic substance. Some of these lesions had gross and cytologic features similar to those of the hepatocellular carcinomas, but size, degree of anaplasia, and lack of invasiveness were the criteria used to distinguish them from hepatocellular carcinomas. Nevertheless, a diagnosis of borderline malignancy was given to a number of the neoplastic nodules. These lesions are considered by the original pathologists to be comparable to neoplastic nodules in rats as described by Squire and Levitt (1975).

A low incidence of miscellaneous degenerative, proliferative, and inflammatory lesions was distributed among the males and females of the control and dosed groups. An exception to this was cystic endometrial hyperplasia, found in 1/9 (11%) control, 12/47 (26%) low-dose, and 10/42 (24%) high-dose female mice.

The neoplastic and nonneoplastic lesions that occurred in the mice used in this study appeared in a variety of tissues of most organ systems, and for the most part, with similar incidences for dosed and control animals. In a few instances, lesions occurred only in animals of the dosed groups, but not in significant These pathologic changes have been observed in control animals in other studies of carcinogenicity and are, therefore, not considered dose related. In the judgment of the pathologists, this study shows no evidence of carcinogenicity

induced by the administration of malathion in B6C3F1 mice at the doses used.

## D. Statistical Analyses of Results (Mice)

Tables F1 and F2 of Appendix F contain the statistical analyses of the incidences of those specific primary tumors that occurred in at least two animals in one group and with an incidence of at least 5% in one or more than one group.

In male mice, the incidence of hepatocellular carcinoma combined with that of neoplastic nodules showed a significant linear trend when either the matched controls (P = 0.041) or the pooled controls (P = 0.019) were used. The Fisher exact test for the comparison between the results of the high-dose (17/49, 35%) and pooled-control groups had a probability level of P = 0.031, but this probability of 0.031 is above the 0.025 level required by the application of the Bonferroni criterion. When time-adjusted analysis is performed, eliminating those male mice that died before 52 weeks on study, the following incidences resulted: matched controls, 2/9 (22%); pooled control, 8/48 (17%); low-dose, 7/47 (15%); high-dose, 17/49 (35%). Neither the Fisher exact tests nor the Cochran-Armitage test of these time-adjusted incidences are significant (P > 0.05) when the matched controls are used. It should be observed that when the incidences of

hepatocellular carcinoma and neoplastic nodules were analyzed separately, none of the Fisher exact test results significant. The results of all the similar bioassays from this laboratory for which data are available for the B6C3Fl mouse show an incidence of spontaneous liver tumors of 19% of 285 male mice; this is close to the incidence (16%) seen in the male pooledcontrol group in the present bioassay. In female mice, there were no statistically significant incidences of any tumor in the dosed groups when compared with those of either set of controls. In each of the 95% confidence intervals, shown in the tables, one is included; this indicates the absence of significant positive results. It should also be noted that each of the intervals has upper limit greater than one, indicating the theoretical possibility of the induction of tumors by this chemical, which could not be detected under the conditions of this test.

#### V. DISCUSSION

Malathion is a member of the organophosphorus class of pesticides whose predominant mode of inducing toxicity is by inhibition of cholinesterase. Cholinesterase activity in the cerebral cortex, erythrocytes, and plasma of rats is reduced when the animals are fed diets containing malathion (Desi et al., 1976) or when the chemical is administered by oral intubation (Mendoza, 1976).

Mean body weights for females of either species were lower for the dosed groups than for the matched controls. Other clinical signs also appeared with greater frequency in the dosed animals than in the controls. In rats, these included rough hair coats, pale mucous membranes, dermatitis, ataxia, alopecia, hematuria, and vaginal bleeding; in mice, the signs included rough and discolored hair coats and abdominal distention. Mortality in either rats or mice was not significantly related to the administration of malathion. Sufficient numbers of animals were at risk in all groups of rats and mice to termination of the study for the development of late-appearing tumors.

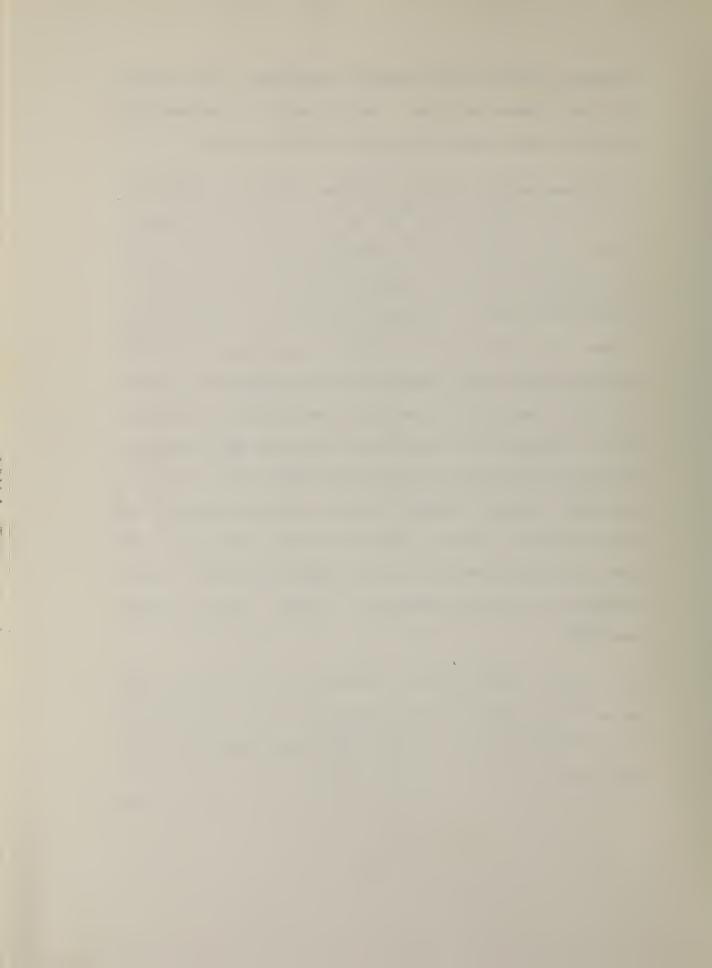
In female rats, three follicular-cell carcinomas and one follicular-cell adenoma of the thyroid occurred in the high-dose group, and three follicular-cell hyperplasias occurred in the low-dose group. The incidence of these tumors showed a statistically significant (P = 0.026) dose-related trend; however, the results of the Fisher exact test for direct comparison between the dosed and control groups were not significant. More dosed males than dosed females had either tumors or hyperplasia of the follicular cells of the thyroid; however, because of the higher incidence of tumors among the male controls, the results of none of the statistical tests were significant. These thyroid tumors were not considered to be associated with the administration of malathion.

In male mice, hepatocellular carcinoma occurred at the following incidences: matched controls 2/10, pooled controls 5/49, low-dose 7/48, high-dose 11/49. In addition, neoplastic nodules occurred in 3/49 pooled-control and 6/49 high-dose animals. When the combined incidence in the dosed animals was compared with that of the pooled controls, the dose-related trend was P = 0.019 and the direct comparison of the high-dose group with the control-group was P = 0.031. Thus, none of the direct comparisons of dosed groups with controls were significant using the Bonferroni criteria. In addition, the historical controls for this laboratory had several control groups with incidences of 35-40% hepatocellular carcinomas, rates which are comparable with the incidence of this tumor in dosed male mice in the present study. Thus, these liver tumors are not considered to be

associated with the administration of malathion. The incidences of liver tumors in dosed females were not statistically significant when compared with that in control animals.

In previous studies of the long-term toxicity of malathion, Hazleton and Holland (1953) fed groups of rats 100, 1,000, or 5,000 ppm of either 65, 90, or 99% preparations of malathion for 2-year periods. No lesions associated with the administration of malathion were found by microscopic examination of representative tissues. The highest dose, 5,000 ppm, approximates the timeweighted average low dose used in the present bioassay. The only evidence of the possible induction of tumors from the administration of malathion in the literature is that of the inconclusive studies of Okey (1972), in which Sprague-Dawley rats fed a diet containing 250 ppm malathion showed a higher incidence and shorter induction time of tumors after the administration of dimethylbenzanthracene (1.31 + 0.18 tumors/rat) than controls administered dimethylbenzanthracene alone (1.07 + 0.15 tumors/rat).

It is concluded that under the conditions of this bioassay, there was no clear evidence of the association of the tumor incidence with the administration of malathion to Osborne-Mendel rats or B6C3F1 mice.



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### APPENDIX A

SUMMARY OF THE INCIDENCE OF NEOPLASMS IN RATS FED MALATHION IN THE DIET



TABLE A1. SUMMARY OF THE INCIDENCE OF NEOPLASMS IN MALE RATS **FED MALATHION IN THE DIET** 

	HIGH DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
ANIMAIS INITIALLY IN STUDY	5	10	50	50
ANIMALS NECROPSIED ANIMALS EXAMINED HISTOPATHOLOGICALL	5 7 5	10 10	48 48	50 50
INTEGUMENTARY SYSTEM				
*SKIN	(5)	(10)	(48)	(50)
PASAL-CELL TUMOR PIBROUS HISTIOCYTOMA			1 (2%) 1 (2%)	1 (2%)
FIBROUS HISTIOCYTOMA, MALIGNANT				1 (2%)
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM				
#LUNG	(5)	(10)	(48)	(48)
SQUAMOUS CELL CARCINOMA, METASTI OSTEOSARCOMA, METASTATIC	1		1 (2%)	1 (2%)
HEMATOPOIETIC SYSTEM				
#SPLEEN HFMANGIOSARCONA	(5)	(10)	(47) 1 (2 <b>%</b> )	(46)
OTHYMUS SARCOMA, NOS				(1) 1 (100%
CIRCULATORY SYSTEM				
none				
DIGESTIVE SYSTEM				
#SALIVARY GLAND FIBROMA	(5) 1 (20%)	(10)	(48)	(47)
#LIVER	(5)	(9)	(47)	(50)
NEOPLASTIC NODULE		·	1 (2%)	1 (2%)

<sup>#</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

TABLE A1. MALE RATS: NEOPLASMS (CONTINUED)

	HIGH DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
HEPATOCEILULAR CARCINCHA SARCOHA, NOS			1 (2%)	1 (2%)
URINARY SYSTEM				
*KIDNEY MIXED TUHOR, HALIGNANT HAMARTONA	(5)	(10)	(48) 2 (4%)	(50) 1 (2%) 1 (2%)
ENDOCRINE SYSTEM				
*PITUITARY CARCINOMA, NOS ADENOMA, NOS CHROMOPHOBE ADENOMA	(4)	(6)	(43) 2 (5%) 1 (2%) 6 (14%)	(46) 1 (2%) 3 (7%)
#ADRENAL CARCINOMA, NOS CORTICAL ADENOMA PHEOCHROMOCYTOMA	(5)	(10)	(46) 1 (2%) 2 (4%)	(50) 3 (6%)
#THYROID FOLLICULAR-CELL ADENOMA FOLLICULAR-CELL CARCINOMA C-CELL ADENOMA	(5) 1 (20%)	(9)	(41) 1 (2%) 2 (5%) 1 (2%)	(47) 1 (2%) 6 (13%) 3 (6%)
*PANCREATIC ISLETS ISLET-CELL ADENCHA	(5)	(10)	(45) 1 (2%)	(49) 3 (6%)
REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM				
*MANMARY GLAND FIBROMA	(5)	(10) 1 (10%)	(48)	(50)
NERVOUS SYSTEM				
*BRAIN MENINGIOMA	(5)	(10)	(48)	(48) 1 (2%)
*CEREBELLUM GRANULAR-CELL TUMOR, BENIGN	(5)	(10)	(48)	(48) 1 (2%)
*TRIGEMINAL NERVE SQUAMOUS CELL CARCINOMA	(5)	(10)	(48)	(50) 1 (2%)

<sup>\*</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

TABLE A1. MALE RATS: NEOPLASMS (CONTINUED)

	HIGH DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
SPECIAL SENSE ORGANS				
NONE				
USCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM				
*HUMERUS OSTEOSARCOMA	(5)	(10)	(48) 1 (2%)	(50)
PODY CAVITIES				
*ABDOMINAL CAVITY LIPOMA	(5)	(10) 1 (10%)	(48)	(50)
ALL OTHER SYSTEMS				
*MULTIPLE ORGANS FIBROUS HISTIOCYTOMA, MALIGNANT	(5)	(10)	(48) 1 (2%)	(50)
ANIMAL DISFOSITION SUMMARY				
ANIMALS INITIALLY IN STUDY	5	10	50	50
NATURAL DEATHO MORIBUND SACRIFICE SCHEDULED SACRIFICE	5		7 10	9 12
ACCIDENTALLY KILLED TERMINAL SACRIFICE ANIMAL MISSING		10	33	29

<sup>#</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROFSIED

TABLE A1. MALE RATS: NEOPLASMS (CONTINUED)

	HIGH DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
TUMOR SUMMARY				
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH PRIMARY TUMORS*	2 2	2 2	22 26	23 30
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH BENIGN TUNORS TOTAL EPNIGN TUNORS	2 2	2 2	14 14	13 16
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH MALIGNANT TUMOR TOTAL MALIGNANT TUMORS	s		10 11	12 13
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH SECONDARY TUMOR TOTAL SECONDARY TUMORS	S#		1	1
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH TUMORS UNCERTAI BENIGN OR MALIGNANT TOTAL UNCERTAIN TUMORS	N -		1,	1
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH TUMORS UNCERTAI PRIMARY OR METASTATIC TOTAL UNCERTAIN TUMORS	N -			
PRIMARY TUMORS: ALL TUMORS EXCEPT SECONDARY TUMORS: METASTATIC TUMOR			ADJACENT ORGAN	

TABLE A2.

## SUMMARY OF THE INCIDENCE OF NEOPLASMS IN FEMALE RATS **FED MALATHION IN THE DIET**

	HIGH DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
ANIMALS INITIALLY IN STUDY ANIMALS NECROPSIED ANIMALS EXAMINED HISTOFATHOLOGICALLY	5 5 5	10 10 10	50 50 50	50 50 50
INTEGUMENTARY SYSTEM				
*SUBCUT TISSUE FIBROSARCOMA	(5)	(10)	(50) 1 (2%)	(50) 1 (2%)
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM				
*NASAL CAVITY CARCINOMA, NOS	(5)	(10)	(50)	(50) 1 (2%)
*LUNG ALVEOLAR/BRONCHIOLAR ADENOMA FIBROSARCOMA, METASTATIC	(5)	(10)	(50) 1 (2%) 1 (2%)	(50) 1 (2%)
HEMATOPOIETIC SYSTEM				
#SPLEEN HEMANGIOMA	(5)	(10)	(49) 1 (2%)	(49) 1 (2%)
CIRCULATORY SYSTEM				
NONE				
DIGESTIVE SYSTEM				
#LIVER NEOPLASTIC NODULE HEPATOCELLULAR CARCINOMA HEMANGIOMA	(5)	(10)	(50) 1 (2%)	(49) 2 (4%) 1 (2%)
URINARY SYSTEM				
#KIDNEY MIXEC TUMOR, MALIGNANT	(5)	(10) 1 (10%)	(50) 1 (2 <b>%</b> )	(50)

<sup>\*</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECRCESIED

TABLE A2. FEMALE RATS: NEOPLASMS (CONTINUED)

	HIGH DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
ENDOCRINE SYSTEM				
#PITUITARY CARCINCHA, NOS ADENOMA, NOS	(5)	(10)	(42) 2 (5%)	(45) 1 (2%)
CHRONOPHOBE ADENOMA CHRONOPHOBE CARCINOMA		3 (30%)	8 (19%)	7 (16% 1 (2%)
#ADRENAL CORTICAL ADENOMA	(5)	(10)	(49) 3 (6%)	(48)
PHEOCHROHOCYTONA		1 (10%)	3 (0%)	
#THYROID POLLICULAR-CELL ADENOMA POLLICULAR-CELL CARCINOMA	(5)	(10)	(48)	(49) 1 (2%) 3 (6%)
C-CELL ADENCHA			1 (2%)	2 (4%)
*PANCREATIC ISLETS ISLET-CELL ADENOMA ISLET-CELL CARCINOMA	(5)	(10)	(50) 2 (4%)	(50) 1 (2%)
**REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM  **MAMMARY GLAND ADENOMA, NOS ADENOCARCINOMA, NOS PIBROMA FIBROADENOMA	(5)	(10)	(50) 1 (2%) 2 (4%) 6 (12%)	[50] 1 [2%] 1 [2%] 1 [2%] 7 [14%]
*UTERUS	(5)	(10)	(48)	(46)
LEIONYOSARCONA ENDONETFIAL STRONAL POLYP		2 (20%)	1 (2%)	1 (2%) 1 (2%)
NERVOUS SYSTEM				
#BRAIN CARCINOMA, NOS, METASTATIC	(5)	(10)	(50)	(49) 1 (2%)
HAHARTOHA GRANULAR-CELL TUMOR, BENIGN GLIOMA, NOS			1 (2%) 1 (2%)	1 (2%) 1 (2%)
SPECIAL SENSE ORGANS				
NONE				

<sup>#</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

TABLE A2. FEMALE RATS: NEOPLASMS (CONTINUED)

		LOW,DOSE	HIGH DOSE
(5)	(10)	(50)	(50) 1 (2%
5	10	50	50
1	1	2	1 18
•	•	,,,	
u	a	30	31
10 m	,		3 1
	CONTROL (5)	(5) (10) 5 10 1 1	(5) (10) (50)  5 10 50 1 1 1 10

<sup>#</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECRCPSIED

TABLE A2. FEMALE RATS: NEOPLASMS (CONTINUED)

	IIGH DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
UNOR SUMMARY				
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH PRIMARY TUNCRS* TOTAL FRIMARY TUMORS		6 7	23 33	2 8 37
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH BENIGN TUMORS TOTAL EENIGN TUMORS		6 6	20 29	21 23
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH MALIGNANT TUMORS TOTAL MALIGNANT TUMORS		1	4	12 12
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH SECONDARY TUMORS# TOTAL SECONDARY TUMORS			1	2 2
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH TUMORS UNCERTAIN- BENIGN OF MALIGNANT TOTAL UNCERTAIN TUMORS				2 2
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH TUMORS UNCERTAIN- PEIMARY OR METASTATIC TOTAL UNCERTAIN TUMORS				
PRIMARY TUMORS: ALL TUMORS EXCEPT SEC SECONDARY TUMORS: METASTATIC TUMORS O			DJACENT ORGAN	

# APPENDIX B

SUMMARY OF THE INCIDENCE OF NEOPLASMS IN MICE FED MALATHION IN THE DIET

SUMMARY OF THE INCIDENCE OF NEOPLASMS IN MALE MICE **FED MALATHION IN THE DIET** 

TABLE B1.

	CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
FNIMALS INITIALLY IN STUDY ANIMALS NECROPSIED ANIMALS EXAMINED HISTOFATHOLOGICALLY	10 10 10	50 48 48	50 49 49
INTEGUMENTARY SYSTEM			
NONE			
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM			
#LUNG ALVEOLAR/BRONCHIOLAP ADENOMA	(9)	(48) 1 (2%)	(49) 1 (2%)
HEMATOPOIETIC SYSTEM			
*MULTIPLE ORGANS LYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA	(10) 1 (10%)	(48)	(49)
#BONE MARROW LEUKEMIA, NOS	(10)	(48)	(46) 1 (2%)
#LIVER LEUKEMIA,NOS	(10)	(48)	(49) 1 (2%)
CIRCULATORY SYSTEM			
NONE			
DIGESTIVE SYSTEM			
#SALIVARY GLAND ADENOCARCINOMA, NOS	(9)	(48)	(47) 1 (2%)
#LIVER NEOPLASTIC NODULE	(10)	(48)	(49) 6 (12%)
HEPATOCELLULAR CARCINOMA	2 (20%)	7 (15%)	11 (22%)

<sup>#</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

# TABLE B1. MALE MICE: NEOPLASMS (CONTINUED)

		LOW DOSE	
HEMANGIOMA		1 (2%)	
OFINARY SYSTEM			
NONE	*****		
ENDOCPINE SYSTEM			
NONE			
REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM			
NONE			
NERVOUS SYSTEM			
NONE			
SPECIAL SENSE ORGANS			
NONE			
HUCCHI OCETI DELL CYCERN			
MUSCULOSKEIFTAL SYSTEM NONE			
FODY CAVITIES			
NONE			
ALL OTHER SYSTEMS			
HONE			

<sup>#</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICBOSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

TABLE B1. MALE MICE: NEOPLASMS (CONTINUED)

	CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
NIMAL DISFOSITION SUMMARY			
ANIMALS INITIALLY IN STUDY	10	50	50
NATURAL DEATHO	1	3	1
MORIBUND SACRIFICE	1		.2
SCHEDULED SACRIFICE			
ACCIDENTALLY KILLED			
TERMINAL SACRIFICE	8	47	47
ANIMAL MISSING			
INCLUDES AUTOLYZED ANIMALS			
TOTAL PRIMARY TUMORS  TOTAL ANIMALS WITH BENIGN TUMORS  TOTAL BENIGN TUMORS	3	9 2 2	21 1 1
2000			·
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH MALIGNANT TUMOFS		7	12
TOTAL MALIGNANT TUMERS	3	7	14
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH SECONDARY TUMORS			
TOTAL SECONDARY TUMORS	Ψ		
TOTAL BROWNING TO DELLA			
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH TUMERS UNCERTAIN	-		
BENIGN OR MALIGNANT			6
			6
TOTAL UNCERTAIN TUMERS			
TOTAL UNCERTAIN TUMORS  TOTAL ANIMALS WITH TUMORS UNCERTAIN PRIMARY OF METASTATIC	-		

<sup>\*</sup> PRIMARY TUMORS: ALL TUMORS EXCEPT SECONDARY TUMORS

<sup>#</sup> SECONDARY TUMORS: METASTATIC TUMORS OR TUMORS INVASIVE INTO AN ADJACENT OFGAN

TABLE B2.

# SUMMARY OF THE INCIDENCE OF NEOPLASMS IN FEMALE MICE **FED MALATHION IN THE DIET**

	CONTROL		HIGH DOSE
ANIMALS INITIALLY IN STUDY NIMALS NECROPSIPD ANIMALS EXAMINED HISTOPATHOLOGICALLY	10 10 10	50 49 49	50 48 47
INTEGUMENTARY SYSTEM	,		
NONE			
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM			
NONE			
HEHATOPOIETIC SYSTEM			
*MULTIPLE ORGANS MALIGNANT LYMPHOMA, NOS	(10)	(49) 1 (2%)	(48)
LEUKEMIA, NOS GRANULOCYTIC LEUKEMIA	1 (10%)		1 (2%)
#SPLEEN HEMANGIONA	(10)	(48)	(46) 1 (2%)
*LIVER HALIG.LYMPHOMA, HISTIOCYTIC TYPE	(10)	(49)	(47) 1 (2%)
CIRCULATORY SYSTEM	****-		
none			
DIGESTIVE SYSTEM			
#LIVER HEOPLASTIC HODULE	(10)	(49)	(47) 2 (4%)
URINARY SYSTEM			
NONE			

<sup>#</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

TABLE B2. FEMALE MICE: NEOPLASMS (CONTINUED)

	CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
ENDOCRINE SYSTEM			
*PITUITARY CHROMOPHOBE ADENOMA	(7)	(39) 1 (3%)	(39)
*THYROID FOLLICULAR-CELL ADENOMA	(9)	(38) 1 (3%)	(40)
REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM			
#UTERUS LFIOMYCHA	(9)	(47) 1 (2%)	(42)
*OVARY TERATOMA, PENIGN	(10)	(48) 1 (2%)	(45)
NERVOUS SYSTEM			
NONE			
SFECIAL SENSE ORGANS			
NONE			
MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM			
HUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM			
MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM NONE PODY CAVITIES			

<sup>#</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

TABLE B2. FEMALE MICE: NEOPLASMS (CONTINUED)

	CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
NIMAL DISPOSITION SUMMARY			
ANIMALS INITIALLY IN STUDY	10	50	50
NATURAL DEATHO	1	2	4
MORIBUND SACRIFICE SCHEDULED SACRIFICE	1	5	2
ACCIDENTALLY KILLED			
TERMINAL SACRIFICE	8	43	44
ANIMAL MISSING			
INCLUDES AUTOLYZED ANIHALS			
UMOR SUMMARY			
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH PRIMARY TUMORS*		5	5
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH PRIMARY TUNORS*	'4	5	5
TOTAL PRINKET TOHOUS		•	3
TOTAL ANIHALS WITH BENIGN TUNORS		4	1
TOTAL PENIGN TUMORS		4	1
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH HALIGNANT TUMORS	: 1	1	2
TOTAL HALIGNANT TUHORS	1	1	2
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH SECONDARY TUMORS			
TOTAL SECONDARY TUMORS			
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH TUNORS UNCERTAIN	ı <b>-</b>		
BENIGN OR MALIGNANT			2
TOTAL UNCERTAIN TUMORS			2
TOTAL ANIMALS WITH TUBORS UNCERTAIN	ı <b>-</b>		
PRIMARY OR METASTATIC			
TOTAL UNCERTAIN TUMORS			

<sup>#</sup> SECONDARY TUMORS: METASTATIC TUMORS OR TUMORS INVASIVE INTO AN ADJACENT ORGAN

# APPENDIX C

SUMMARY OF THE INCIDENCE OF NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS
IN RATS FED MALATHION IN THE DIET

TABLE C1. SUMMARY OF THE INCIDENCE OF NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS IN MALE RATS FED MALATHION IN THE DIET

	HIGH DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
ANIMALS INITIALLY IN STUDY ANIMALS NECROPSIED ANIMALS EXAMINED HISTOFATHOLOGICALLY	5 5 5	10 10 10	50 48 48	50 50 50
INTEGUMENTARY SYSTEM				
*SKIN INFLAMMATION, GRANULCMATOUS GRANULATION, TISSUE	(5)	(10)	(48) 1 (2%) 2 (4%)	(50)
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM				
#LUNG ATELECTASIS CONGESTION, NOS EDEMA, NOS INFLAMMATION, CHRONIC FOCAL	(5)	(10)	(48) 1 (2%) 1 (2%) 1 (2%) 2 (4%)	(48) 1 (2%)
#LUNG/ALVEOLI CALCIFICATION, HETASTATIC	(5)	(10)	(48)	(48) 1 (2%)
HEMATOPOIETIC SYSTEM				
#SPLEEN FIBROSIS FIBROSIS, FOCAL	(5)	(10)	(47)	(46) 2 (4%) 2 (4%)
*LYMPH NODE INFLAMMATION, CHRONIC	(5)	(10) 1 (10%)	(44)	(42)
CIRCULATORY SYSTEM				
#HEART THROMBOSIS, NOS THROMBUS, ORGANIZED ARTERIOSCLEROSIS, NOS	(5) 1 (20%)	(10)	(47) 1 (2%)	(50) 1 (2%)
#HYOCARDIUM INFLAMMATION, INTERSTITIAL	(5)	(10)	(47) 1 (2%)	(50)

<sup>#</sup> NUMBER OF ANIHALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIHALS NECROPSIED

TABLE C1. MALE RATS: NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS (CONTINUED)

	HIGH DO		LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOS	E	HIGH DO	ŞE
PIBROSIS PIBROSIS, POCAL					(2%) (2%)	2	(4%)
#ENDOCARDIUM FIBROSIS FIBROSIS, FOCAL	(5)		(10) 1 (10%)	(47)			(6%) (2%)
*AORTA ARTERIOSCLEROSIS, NOS HEDIAL CALCIPICATION	(5)		(10)		(2%)	(50) 1	(2%)
DIGESTIVE SYSTEM							
#LIVER INFLATMATION, FOCAL GRANULOMATOU GRANULOMA, FOREIGN BODY	(5) 1	(20%)	(9)	(47)	(2%)	(50)	
DEGENERATION, BALLOONING DEGENERATION PARENCHYMATOUS HETAHORPHOSIS FATTY FOCAL CELLULAR CHANGE	1	(20 %)		2	(4%) (4%) (4%)	2	(8%) (4%) (4%)
ANGIECTASIS					(2%)		
*HEPATIC CAPSULE ANGIECTASIS	(5)		(9)	(47)		(50) 1	(2%)
*BILE DUCT INPLAMMATION, CHRONIC HYPERPLASIA, NOS HYPERPLASIA, FOCAL HYPERPLASIA, DIPPUSE	(5)		(10) 1 (10%)	1	(2%) (2%) (2%)	1	(2%) (2%) (2%)
*PANCREAS INFLAMMATION, CHRONIC PERIARTERITIS	(5)		(10)	(45) 3	(7%)	(49) 1	(2%)
*PANCREATIC ACINUS ATROPHY, NOS	(5)		(10)	(45) 1	(2%)	(4 9) 1	(2%)
#STONACH CALCIFICATION, HETASTATIC	(5) 1	(20%)	(10)	(48) 2	(4%)	(47) 3	(6%)
DRINARY SYSTEM							
#KIDNEY INPLAMMATION, CHRONIC	(5) 4	(80%)	(10) 4 (40%)	(48) 33	(69%)	(50) 33	(66%

<sup>\*</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED HICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

TABLE C1. MALE RATS: NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS (CONTINUED)

	HIGH DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
#URINARY ELADDER INFLAMMATION, ACUTE DIFFUSE INFLAMMATION, CHRONIC INFLAMMATION, CHRONIC FOCAL	(5)	(10)	(45)· 1 (2%) 1 (2%)	(42) 1 (2%)
ENDOCRINE SYSTEM				
*PITUITARY CYST, NOS HYPERPLASIA, NOS HYPERPLASIA, FOCAL	(4)	(6)	(43) 12 (28%) 1 (2%) 1 (2%)	(46) 10 (22%) 2 (4%) 2 (4%)
*ADRENAL DEGENERATION, CYSTIC	(5)	(10)	(46) 1 (2%)	(50)
#ADRENAL CORTEX METAMORPHOSIS FATTY HYPERPLASIA, FOCAL	(5)	(10)	(46) 1 (2%) 3 (7%)	(50) 2 (4%)
#THYROID  CYSTIC FOLLICLES  FOLLICULAR CYST, NOS  MULTIPLE CYSTS  ATROFHY, NOS	(5)	(9) 1 (11%)	(41) 1 (2%)	(47) 3 (6%) 1 (2%) 1 (2%)
HYPERPLASIA, C-CELL HYPERPLASIA, FOLLICULAR-CELL METAFLASIA, SQUAMOUS		1 (11%)	1 (2%) 7 (17%)	3 (6%) 8 (17%) 1 (2%)
*THYROID FOLLICLE ATROPHY, NOS	(5)	(9)	(41)	(47) 1 (2%)
*PARATHYROID HYPERPIASIA, NOS HYPERPIASIA, DIFFUSE	(3) 2 (67%)	(3)	(24) 2 (8%)	(26) 1 (4%) 1 (4%)
REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM				
*MAMMARY GLAND CYST, NOS HYPERPLASIA, NOS	(5) 1 (20%)	(10) 1 (10%)	(48)	(50)
DYSPLASIA, NOS  *PROSTATE INFLAMMATION, SUPPURATIVE	(5) 1 (20%)	(10)	1 (2%) (45) 1 (2%)	(48)

<sup>\*</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

TABLE C1. MALE RATS: NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS (CONTINUED)

		CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
INPLANMATION, ACUTE SUPFURATIVE INPLANMATION, ACUTE NECROTIZING INPLANMATION ACUTE AND CHRONIC		1 (10%)	2 (4%)	1 (2% 1 (2%
*TESTIS	(5)	(9)	(45)	(49)
PERIARTERITIS ATROPHI, NOS HYPERPLASIA, INTERSTITIAL CELL	1 (20%)	1 (11%)	2 (4%) 11 (24%)	4 (8% 1 (2%
ERVOUS SYSTEM				
MULTIPLE CYSTS			(48)	1 12%
FECIAL SENSE ORGANS				
NONE				
NUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM NONE				
PODY CAVITIES				
*MESENTERY PERIARTERITIS	(5)	(10)	(48) 4 (8%)	(50)
ILL OTHER SYSTEMS				
NONE				
SPECIAL MORPHOLOGY SUMMARY				
NO LESION REPORTED AUTOLYSIS/NO NECROPSY		41	3 2	7

<sup>#</sup> NUMBER OF ANIHALS WITH TISSUF EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIHALS MECROPSIED

SUMMARY OF THE INCIDENCE OF NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS IN FEMALE RATS FED MALATHION IN THE DIET

TABLE C2.

	HIGH DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
ANIMALS INITIALLY IN STUDY ANIMALS NECROPSIED ANIMALS EXAMINED HISTOPATHCLOGICALLY	5 5 5	10 10 10	50 50 50	50 50 50
INTEGUMENTARY SYSTEM				
*SKIN ULCER, NOS	(5)	(10)	(50) 1 (2%)	(50)
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM				
*LUNG INFLAMMATION, FOCAL INFLAMMATION, ACUTE HEMORRHAGIC	(5)	(10)	(50) 1 (2%)	(50) 1 (2%)
HPMATOPOIETIC SYSTEM				
*SPLEEN INFLAMMATION, CHPONIC HYPERPLASIA, RETICULUM CELL MYELOID METAPLASIA	(5)	(10)	(49)	(49) 1 (2%) 1 (2%)
*PANCREATIC L.NODE INFLAMMATION, NOS	(5)	(9) 1 (11%)	(42)	(43)
CIRCULATORY SYSTEM				
*MYOCARDIUM INFLAMMATION, CHRONIC FCCAL FIBRCSIS, FOCAL	(5)	(10)	(50) 1 (2%)	(50) 1 (2%)
#ENDOCARDIUM FIBROSIS	(5)	(10)	(50) 1 (2%)	(50)
DIGESTIVE SYSTEM				
#LIVER CONGESTION, NOS	(5) 1 (20%)	(10)	(50)	(49)

<sup>#</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

TABLE C2. FEMALE RATS: NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS (CONTINUED)

	HIGH DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
DEGENERATION PARENCHIMATOUS NECROSIS, NOS NECROSIS, FOCAL METAMORPHOSIS PATTY POCAL CELLULAR CHANGE ANGIECTASIS	1 (20%) 1 (20%)	2 (20%)	1 (2%) 2 (4%) 1 (2%) 2 (4%)	2 (4%) 1 (2%) 8 (16%) 2 (4%) 8 (16%)
*BILE DUCT INFLAMMATION, NOS INFLAMMATION, ACUTE INFLAMMATION, CHRONIC HYPERPIASIA, NOS HYPERPLASIA, FOCAL	(5)	(10)	(50) 1 (2%) 1 (2%) 2 (4%)	(50) 2 (4%) 1 (2%) 1 (2%) 4 (8%)
*PANCREATIC ACINUS ATROPHY, POCAL	(5)	(10)	(50) 1 (2%)	(50) 1 (2%)
*STOMACH EROSION	(5)	(10)	(48) 1 (2%)	(49)
UFINARY SYSTEM				
*KIDNET GIOMERUICNEPHRITIS, NOS INFLAMMATION, CHRONIC INFARCT, NOS	(5) 2 (40%)	(10)	(50) 3 (6%)	(50) 1 (2%) 11 (22%) 1 (2%)
#KIDNEY/CORTEX CYST, NOS	(5)	(10)	(50) 1 (2%)	(50)
#KIDNEY/TUBULE DEGENERATION, NOS	(5)	(10)	(50)	(50) 1 (2%)
ENDOCRINE SYSTEM				
*PITUITARY CYST, NOS CONGESTION, NOS HEMORRHAGE	(5)	(10)	(42) 1 (2%)	(45) 1 (2%) 1 (2%)
DEGENERATION, CISTIC HYPERPIASIA, NOS HYPERPIASIA, FOCAL ANGIECTASIS			1 (2%) 3 (7%)	1 (2%)
*ADRENAL DEGENERATION, CYSTIC	(5)	(10)	(49) 2 (4%)	(48)

<sup>\*</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

TABLE C2. FEMALE RATS: NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS (CONTINUED)

	HIGH DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
NECROSIS, NOS METAMORPHOSIS FATTY ANGIFCTASIS		1 (10%)	1 (2%) 2 (4%)	1 (2%) 1 (2%)
#ADRENAL CORTEX DEGENERATION, CYSTIC METAHORPHOSIS FATTY HIPERPLASIA, FOCAL	(5)	(10) 1 (10%)	(49) 7 (14%) 1 (2%)	(48) 1 (2%) 2 (4%)
ANGIECTASIS  #THYROIC CYSTIC FOLLICLES HYPERPLASIA, C-CELL	(5)	(10)	(48) 3 (6%) 5 (10%)	4 (8%) (49) 3 (6%)
HYPERPLASIA, FOLLICULAR-CELL #THYROIC FOLLICLE ATROPHY, NOS	(5)	(10)	3 (6%) (48) 1 (2%)	(49)
REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM				
*HAMMARY GLAND HYPERPIASIA, NOS DISPLASIA, NOS FIBROSING ADENOSIS	(5)	(10) 1 (10%) 1 (10%)	(50) 4 (8%)	(50) 1 (2%)
*MAMMARY LOEULE HYPERPLASIA, NOS	(5)	(10) 1 (10%)	(50)	(50)
#UTERUS HYDROMETRA INFLAMMATION, CHRONIC	(5)	(10)	(48)	(46) 1 (2%) 1 (2%)
#OVARY POLLICULAR CYST, NOS	(5)	(10)	(49) 1 (2%)	(48)
NERVOUS SYSTEM				
SERCIAL SENSE ORGANS				
NONE				
HUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM				

<sup>\*</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

TABLE C2. FEMALE RATS: NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS (CONTINUED)

	HIGH DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
ecdy cavities				
*MESENTERY PERIARTERITIS	(5)	(10)	(50)	(50) 1 (2%)
ALL OTHER SYSTEMS				
SPECIAL MORPHOLOGY SUMMARY				
NO LESION REPORTED	2	2	8	6

<sup>\*</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

## APPENDIX D

SUMMARY OF THE INCIDENCE OF NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS
IN MICE FED MALATHION IN THE DIET

SUMMARY OF THE INCIDENCE OF NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS IN MALE MICE FED MALATHION IN THE DIET

TABLE D1.

	CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
PHIMALS INITIALLY IN STUDY PHIMALS NECROPSIED ANIMALS EXAMINED HISTOFATHOLOGICALLY	10 10 10	50 48 48	50 49 49
INTEGUMENTARY SYSTEM NONE			
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM			
*LUNG INFLAMMATION, NOS	(9)	(48) 1 (2%)	(49)
HEMATOPOIETIC SYSTEM			
*LYMPH NODE INPLANMATION, FOCAL	(8)	(43) 1 (2%)	(35)
#MESENTERIC L. NODE INFLAMMATION, CHRONIC HYPERPLASIA, LYMPHOID	(8)	(43) 1 (2%) 1 (2%)	(35) 2 (6%)
CIRCULATORY SYSTEM			
NONE			
DIGESTIVE SYSTEM			
*LIVER INFLAMMATION, CHPONIC DEGENERATION PARENCHYMATOUS NECROSIS, NOS	(10)	(48) 1 (2%)	(49) 1 (2%) 2 (4%)
*PEYERS PATCH INFLAMMATION, NOS HYPERPLASIA, LYMPHOID	(10)	(44) 1 (2%) 1 (2%)	(46) 1_(2 <b>%</b> )_

<sup>\*</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECFORSIED

TABLE D1. MALE MICE: NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS (CONTINUED)

	CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE	
URINARY SYSTEM				
#KIDNEY INPLANMATION, CHRONIC FCCAL	(10)	(47)	(49) 1 (2 <b>%</b> )	
#KIDNEY/CORTEX INFARCT, NOS	(10)	(47) 1 (2%)	(49)	
ENDOCRINE SYSTEM				
*PITUITARY CYST, NOS	(6)	(42) 1 (2%)	(40)	
REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM				
#TESTIS ATROPHY, NOS	(10) 1 (10%)	(48)	(46)	
NER VOUS SYSTEM NONE				
SPECIAL SENSE ORGANS				
HUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM NONE				
ECDY CAVITIES NONE				
ALL OTHER SYSTEMS				
NONE				

<sup>\*</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS MECROPSIED

# TABLE D1. MALE MICE: NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS (CONTINUED)

	CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
PECIAL MORPHOLOGY SUNNARY			
NO LESION REPORTED	6	33	25
AUTOLYSIS/NO NECROPSY		2	1

<sup>\*</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIED

TABLE D2.

## SUMMARY OF THE INCIDENCE OF NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS IN FEMALE MICE FED MALATHION IN THE DIET

	CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
ANIHALS INITIALLY IN STUDY ANIHALS NECROPSIED ANIHALS EXAMINED HISTOFATHCLOGICALLY	10 10 10	50 49 49	50 48 47
INTEGUMENTARY SYSTEM			
NONE			
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM			
#LUNG INPLAMMATION, NOS HYPERPLASIA, ALVEOLAR EPITHELIUM	(9)	(49) 1 (2%)	(47) 1 (2%)
HEMATOPOIETIC SYSTEM			
#SPLEEN INFLAMMATION, NOS HYPERPLASIA, LYMPHOID	(10) 1 (10%)	(48) 1 (2%)	(46) 1 (2%)
*HEPATIC LYMPH NODE INFLAMMATION, GRANUIOMATOUS	(10) 1 (10%)	(43)	(38)
#THYMUS HYPERPLASIA, LYMPHOID		(5)	(1) 1 (100%)
CIRCULATORY SYSTEM			
NONE		•••••	
DIGESTIVE SYSTEM			
*LIVER DEGENERATION PARENCHYMATOUS	(10)	(49)	(47) 1 (2%)
*BILE DUCT INFLAMMATION, CHRONIC	(10)	(49)	(48) 1 (2 <b>%</b> )

<sup>#</sup> NUMBER OF ANIHALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIHALS NECRCESIED

TABLE D2. FEMALE MICE: NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS (CONTINUED)

	CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
*PEYERS PATCH HYPERPIASIA, LYMPHOID	(10)	(47)	(45) 1 (2%)
UFINARY SYSTEM NONE			
ENDOCRINE SYSTEM NONE			
#UTERUS HYDROMETRA PYOMETRA INFLAMMATION, CHRONIC  #UTERUS/FNCOMETRIUM INFLAMMATION, SUPPURATIVE DEGENERATION, CYSTIC HYPERPLASIA, CYSTIC  #OVARY FOLLICULAR CYST, NOS INFLAMMATION, NOS INFLAMMATION, SUPPURATIVE NECROSIS, NOS	(9)  (9)  1 (11%) (10)  4 (40%)  1 (10%)	(47) 1 (2%) (47) 1 (2%) 12 (26%) (48) 3 (6%) 2 (4%)	(42) 3 (7%) 1 (2%) (42) 1 (2%) 10 (24%) (45) 2 (4%)
NERVOUS SYSTEM  NONE  SFECIAL SENSE ORGANS  NONE  MUSCULOSKEIETAL SYSTEM  NONE			

<sup>\*</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS NECROPSIEU

# TABLE D2. FEMALE MICE: NONNEOPLASTIC LESIONS (CONTINUED)

	CONTROL	LOW DOSE	HIGH DOSE
ecdy cavities			
HONE			
ALL OTHER SYSTEMS			
NONE			
PECIAL HORPHOLOGY SUMMARY			
NO LESION REPORTED AUTO/NECROPSY/NO HISTO	4	29	25
AUTOLYSIS/NO NECROPSY		1	2

<sup>•</sup> NUMBER OF ANIMALS WITH TISSUE EXAMINED MICROSCOPICALLY \* NUMBER OF ANIMALS WECROPSIED

#### APPENDIX E

ANALYSES OF THE INCIDENCE OF PRIMARY TUMORS

IN RATS FED MALATHION IN THE DIET



Table E1. Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Tumors in Male Rats Fed Malathion in the Diet $^{\rm A}$ 

Topography: Morphology	Matched Control	Pooled Control	Low	High Dose
Pituitary: Adenoma, NOS (not otherwise specified) or Carcinoma <sup>b</sup>	0/10(0•00)	0/46(0.00)	3/43(0.07)	1/46(0.02)
P Valuesc,d	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			Infinite 0.155 Infinite	Infinite 0.013 Infinite
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			Infinite 0.646 Infinite	Infinite 0.054 Infinite
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	-	1	113	109
Pituitary: Chromophobe Adenoma <sup>b</sup>	0/10(0.00)	6/46(0.13)	6/43(0.14)	3/46(0.07)
P Valuesc, d	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			Infinite 0.415 Infinite	Infinite 0.145 Infinite
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			1.070 0.308 3.693	0.500 0.086 2.186
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	-	-	66	102

Table El. Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Tumors in Male Rats Fed Malathion in the  ${\rm Diet}^{\rm A}$ 

(continued)				
	Matched	Pooled	Low	High
Topography: Morphology	Control	Control	Dose	Dose
Thyroid: Follicular-cell				
Adenoma or Carcinoma <sup>b</sup>	1/14(0.07)	4/46(0.09)	3/41(0.07)	7/47(0.15)
P Values <sup>c,d</sup>	N.S.	N · S ·	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup>			1.024	2.085
Lower Limit Upper Limit			0.094 52.448	0.314
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup>			0.841	1.713
Lower Limit			0.131	0.469
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Weeks to First Observed Tumor	108	-	113	100
Thyroid: C-cell Adenoma <sup>b</sup>	0/14(0.00)	2/46(0.04)	1/41(0.02)	3/47(0.06)
P Values <sup>c, d</sup>	N. S.	N. S.	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit			Infinite 0.019	Infinite 0.192
Upper Limit			Infinite	Infinite
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit			0.561	1.468
Upper Limit			10,353	16.917
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	-	1	113	109

Table E1. Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Tumors in Male Rats Fed Malathion in the Diet $^{\rm A}$ 

(continued)				
Topography: Morphology	Matched Control	Pooled Control	Low	High Dose
Pancreatic Islets: Islet-cell Adenoma <sup>b</sup>	0/15(0.00)	2/53(0.04)	1/45(0.02)	3/49(0.06)
P Values <sup>c</sup> ,d	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			Infinite 0.019 Infinite	Infinite 0.195 Infinite
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			0.589 0.010 10.912	1.622 0.194 18.739
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	1	1	113	100
Adrenal Gland: Cortical Adenoma <sup>b</sup>	0/15(0.00)	2/52(0.04)	2/46(0.04)	0/20(0.00)
P Values <sup>c</sup> ,d	N. S.	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			Infinite 0.102 Infinite	
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			1.130 0.086 15.029	0.000 0.000 3.516
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	-	1	113	1

Table E1. Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Tumors in Male Rats Fed Malathion in the Diet  $^{\rm A}$ 

	Low High Dose Dose	0/46(0.00) 3/50(0.06)	N.S. N.S.	Infinite 0.192 Infinite	0.000 1.560 0.000 0.186 3.814 18.027	113 100	2/48(0.04) 1/50(0.02)	N.S. N.S.	Infinite Infinite 0.098 0.016 Infinite	Infinite Infinite 0.327 0.056 Infinite	
	Pooled Control	2/52(0.04)	N.S.			-	0/53(0.00)	N.S.			
	Matched Control	0/15(0.00)	N.S.			-	0/15(0.00)	N.S.			
(continued)	Topography: Morphology	Adrenal: Pheochromocytoma <sup>b</sup>	P Values <sup>c,d</sup>	Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit	Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit	Weeks to First Observed Tumor	Kidney: Mixed Tumor, Malignant <sup>b</sup>	P Values <sup>c,d</sup>	Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit	Relative Risk (Pooled Control) $^{\it f}$ Lower Limit Upper Limit	

Table E1. Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Tumors in Male Rats Fed Malathion in the  ${\sf Diet}^a$ 

aDosed groups received time-weighted average doses of 4,700 or 8,150 ppm in feed.

bNumber of tumor-bearing animals/number of animals examined at site (proportions).

group (\*\*) when P < 0.05 for either control group; otherwise, not significant (N.S.) is indicated. Beneath the inci-CBeneath the incidence of tumors in a control group is the probability level for the Cochrancomparison of that dosed group with the matched-control group (\*) or with the pooled-control dence of tumors in a dosed group is the probability level for the Fisher exact test for the Armitage test when P < 0.05; otherwise, not significant (N.S.) is indicated.

dA negative trend (N) indicates a lower incidence in a dosed group than in a control group.

<sup>e</sup>The probability level for departure from linear trend is given when P < 0.05 for any comparison.

<sup>f</sup>The 95% confidence interval of the relative risk between each dosed group and the specified control group.

Table E2. Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Tumors in Female Rats Fed Malathion in the Diet $^{\rm A}$ 

Topography: Morphology	Matched Control	Pooled Control	Low	High Dose
Pituitary: Adenoma, NOS (not otherwise specified) or Carcinoma <sup>b</sup>	0/15(0.00)	1/46(0.02)	2/42(0.05)	1/45(0.02)
P Valuesc,d	N.S.	N.S.	S. S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			Infinite 0.112 Infinite	Infinite 0.019 Infinite
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			2.190 0.120 126.082	1.022 0.013 78.492
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	-	-	105	109
Pituitary: Chromophobe Adenoma <sup>b</sup>	3/15(0.20)	9/46(0.20)	8/42(0.19)	7/45(0.16)
P Values <sup>c, d</sup>	N. S.	S.S.	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			0.952 0.277 5.086	0.778 0.214 4.276
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			0.974 0.358 2.571	0.795 0.275 2.187
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	86	-	108	102

Table E2. Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Tumors in Female Rats Fed Malathion in the Diet  $^{\rm A}$ 

(continued)				
Topography: Morphology	Matched Control	Pooled Control	Low	High Dose
Thyroid: Follicular-cell Adenoma or Carcinoma <sup>b</sup>	0/15(0.00)	0/46(0.00)	0/48(0.00)	4/49(0.08)
P Values <sup>c,d</sup>	N.S.	P = 0.026	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			111	Infinite 0.301 Infinite
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit				Infinite 0.872 Infinite
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	1	1	1	105
Thyroid: C-cell Adenomab	0/15(0.00)	1/46(0.02)	1/48(0.02)	2/49(0.04)
P Valuesc,d	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			Infinite 0.018 Infinite	Infinite 0.096 Infinite
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			0.958 0.012 73.689	1.878 0.101 108.485
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	-	1	113	109

Table E2. Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Tumors in Female Rats Fed Malathion in the Diet $^{\rm A}$ 

(continued)				
	Matched	Pooled	Low	High
Topography: Morphology	Control	Control	Dose	Dose
Pancreatic Islet: Islet-cell Adenoma <sup>b</sup>	0/15(0.00)	0/53(0.00)	2/50(0.04)	0/20(0.00)
P Values C, d	N. S.	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.
Departure from Linear Trend <sup>e</sup>		P = 0.042		
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			Infinite 0.094 Infinite	111
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			Infinite 0.315 Infinite	111
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	1	1	113	1
Adrenal Gland: Cortical Adenoma <sup>b</sup>	0/15(0.00)	0/20(0.00)	3/49(0.06)	0/48(0.00)
P Valuesc,d	.S.	N.S.	. S.	N.S.
Departure from Linear Trend <sup>e</sup>		P = 0.014		
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			Infinite 0.195 Infinite	
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			Infinite 0.615 Infinite	1   1
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	-	-	113	-

Table E2. Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Tumors in Female Rats Fed Malathion in the Diet $^{\rm A}$ 

(continued)				
Topography: Morphology	Matched Control	Pooled Control	Low Dose	High Dose
Liver: Neoplastic Nodule or Hepatocellular Carcinoma <sup>b</sup>	0/15(0.00)	1/53(0.02)	0/20(0:00)	3/49(0.06)
P Values <sup>c,d</sup>	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			111	Infinite 0.196 Infinite
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			0.000 0.000 19.777	3.245 0.271 166.782
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	-	1	1	109
Mammary Gland: Fibroadenomab	0/15(0.00)	8/54(0.15)	6/50(0.12)	7/50(0.14)
P Values <sup>c</sup> ,d	N.S.	N.S.	S. N	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			Infinite 0.513 Infinite	Infinite 0.621 Infinite
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			0.810 0.249 2.468	0.945 0.313 2.758
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	1	1	61	80

Table E2. Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Tumors in Female Rats Fed Malathion in the Dieta

(continued)

aDosed groups received time-weighted average doses of 4,700 or 8,150 ppm in feed.

<sup>b</sup>Number of tumor-bearing animals/number of animals examined at site (proportions).

group (\*\*) when P < 0.05 for either control group; otherwise, not significant (N.S.) is indicated. Armitage test when P < 0.05; otherwise, not significant (N.S.) is indicated. Beneath the incicomparison of that dosed group with the matched-control group (\*) or with the pooled-control <sup>c</sup>Beneath the incidence of tumors in a control group is the probability level for the Cochrandence of tumors in a dosed group is the probability level for the Fisher exact test for the

dA negative trend (N) indicates a lower incidence in a dosed group than in a control group.

 $^{
m e}$ The probability level for departure from linear trend is given when P < 0.05 for any comparison.

fThe 95% confidence interval of the relative risk between each dosed group and the specified control group.

#### APPENDIX F

ANALYSES OF THE INCIDENCE OF PRIMARY TUMORS

IN MICE FED MALATHION IN THE DIET



Table Fl. Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Tumors in Male Mice Fed Malathion in the  ${\sf Diet}^a$ 

Tonography: Mornhology	Matched	Pooled	Low	High
Liver: Neonlastic Noduleb	0/10/0100	3/49(0.06)	(00-00)87/0	6/49(0.12)
P Valuesc, d	P = 0.016	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.
Departure from Linear Trend <sup>e</sup>		P = 0.030		
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			111	Infinite 0.364 Infinite
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			0.000 0.000 1.695	2.000 0.455 11.748
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	-	-	1	95
Liver: Hepatocellular Carcinoma <sup>b</sup>	2/10(0.20)	5/49(0.10)	7/48(0.15)	11/49(0.22)
P Valuesc, d	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			0.729 0.180 6.704	1.122 0.320 9.678
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			1.429 0.419 5.331	2.200 0.767 7.496
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	94	-	94	58

Tumors in Male Mice Table Fl. Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Fed Malathion in the Dieta

(continued)				
	Matched	Pooled	Low	High
Topography: Morphology	Control	Control	Dose	Dose
Liver: Neoplastic Nodule or Hepatocellular Carcinoma <sup>b</sup>	2/10(0.20)	8/49(0.16)	7/48(0.15)	17/49(0.35)
P Values <sup>c,d</sup>	P = 0.041	P = 0.019	N.S.	P = 0.031**
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			0.729 0.180 6.704	1.735 0.540 14.271
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			0.893 0.300 2.594	2.125 0.967 5.122
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	94	-	94	58

\*Dosed groups received doses of 8,000 or 16,000 ppm in feed.

<sup>b</sup>Number of tumor-bearing animals/number of animals examined at site (proportions).

group (\*\*) when P < 0.05 for either control group; otherwise, not significant (N.S.) is indicated. <sup>c</sup>Beneath the incidence of tumors in a control group is the probability level for the Cochrancomparison of that dosed group with the matched-control group (\*) or with the pooled-control dence of tumors in a dosed group is the probability level for the Fisher exact test for the Armitage test when P < 0.05; otherwise, not significant (N.S.) is indicated.

dA negative trend (N) indicates a lower incidence in a dosed group than in a control group.

eThe probability level for departure from linear trend is given when P < 0.05 for any comparison.

fThe 95% confidence interval of the relative risk between each dosed group and the specified control group.

Table F2. Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Tumors in Female Mice Fed Malathion in the  ${\rm Diet}^a$ 

Topography: Morphology	Matched Control	Pooled	Low	High Dose
Liver: Neoplastic Nodule <sup>b</sup>	0/10(0.00)	1/48(0.02)	0/49(0.00)	2/47(0.04)
P Values <sup>c, d</sup>	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			111	Infinite 0.069 Infinite
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			0.000 0.000 18.270	2.043 0.111 117.919
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	-	1	1	95
Liver: Hepatocellular Carcinoma <sup>b</sup>	0/10(0.00)	2/48(0.04)	0/49(0.00)	0/47(0.00)
P Values <sup>c</sup> ,d	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			111	111
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit Upper Limit			0.000	0.000 0.000 3.447
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	1	1	1	1

Analyses of the Incidence of Primary Tumors in Female Mice Fed Malathion in the  ${\sf Diet}^a$ Table F2.

(continued)				
	Matched	Pooled	Low	High
Topography: Morphology	Control	Control	Dose	Dose
Liver: Neoplastic Nodule or Hepatocellular Carcinomab	0/10(0.00)	3/48(0•06)	0/49(0°00)	2/47(0.04)
P Values <sup>c</sup> ,d	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.	N.S.
Relative Risk (Matched Control) <sup>f</sup> Lower Limit			1 1	Infinite 0.069
Upper Limit			1	Infinite
Relative Risk (Pooled Control) <sup>f</sup>			000*0	0.681
Lower Limit			00000	0.059
Upper Limit			1.628	5.673
Weeks to First Observed Tumor	1	1	1	95

aDosed groups received doses of 8,000 or 16,000 ppm in feed.

<sup>b</sup>Number of tumor-bearing animals/number of animals examined at site (proportions).

group (\*\*) when P < 0.05 for either control group; otherwise, not significant (N.S.) is indicated. <sup>C</sup>Beneath the incidence of tumors in a control group is the probability level for the Cochrancomparison of that dosed group with the matched-control group (\*) or with the pooled-control dence of tumors in a dosed group is the probability level for the Fisher exact test for the Armitage test when P < 0.05; otherwise, not significant (N.S.) is indicated.

dA negative trend (N) indicates a lower incidence in a dosed group than in a control group.

eThe probability level for departure from linear trend is given when P < 0.05 for any comparison.

The 95% confidence interval of the relative risk between each dosed group and the specified control group.

### APPENDIX G

# ANALYSIS OF FORMULATED DIETS FOR CONCENTRATIONS OF MALATHION



APPENDIX G

Analysis of Formulated Diets for

Concentrations of Malathion

A 10-g sample of the diet mixture was shaken with 125 ml hexane at room temperature for 16 hours, then filtered through Celite with hexane washes, and reduced in volume to 10 ml. After appropriate dilutions, the solution was quantitatively analyzed for malathion by gas-liquid chromatography (electron-capture detector, 10% DC-200 on Gas-Chrom Q column). Recoveries were checked with spiked samples, and external standards were used for calibration.

Theoretical Concentrations in Diet (ppm)	No. of Samples	Sample Analytical Mean (ppm)	Coefficient of Variation (%)	Range (ppm)
4,000	20	4,098	4.9%	3,690-4,570
8,000	35	8,188	4.2%	7,390-8,880
16,000	25	16,290	5.0%	14,950-17,790



Review of the Bioassay of Malathion\* for Carcinogenicity by the Data Evaluation/Risk Assessment Subgroup of the Clearinghouse on Environmental Carcinogens

January 18, 1978

The Clearinghouse on Environmental Carcinogens was established in May, 1976 under the authority of the National Cancer Act of 1971 (P.L. 92-218). The purpose of the Clearinghouse is to advise on the National Cancer Institute's bioassay program to identify and evaluate chemical carcinogens in the environment to which humans may be exposed. The members of the Clearinghouse have been drawn from academia, industry, organized labor, public interest groups, State health officials, and quasi-public health and research organizations. Members have been selected on the basis of their experience in carcinogenesis or related fields and, collectively, provide expertise in organic chemistry, biochemistry, biostatistics, toxicology, pathology, and epidemiology. Representatives of various environmental agencies participate as ad hoc members. The Data Evaluation/Risk Assessment Subgroup of the Clearinghouse is charged with the responsibility of providing a peer review of NCI bioassay reports on chemicals studied for carcinogenicity. In this context, below is the edited excerpt from the minutes of the Subgroup's meeting at which Malathion was reviewed.

The primary reviewer agreed with the conclusion of the report that there was no clear evidence of an association between the tumor incidence in the treated animals and the administration of Malathion. He stressed the fact that the dose levels administered were sufficiently high to produce an effect. The primary reviewer was particularly critical of the small size of the matched control groups. He pointed out the incidence of hepatocellular carcinomas in the treated male mice, although it was not statistically significant.

The secondary reviewer questioned the validity of the bioassay in terms of its significance as a valid "negative" study. He pointed out the increased incidence of adenomas of the thyroid in the treated rats, as well as their earlier appearance in the animals at the high dose level. He argued this may indicate an important biological effect despite

the statistical insignificance of the finding. Considering this finding and the high human exposure, he suggested that the study be repeated using a different route of exposure.

A Program staff pathologist commented that the time to the detection of the thyroid tumors in the treated animals may be misleading. Since it was not possible to detect the cause of the animals' deaths, he noted that the difference in survival time between the treated and control animals may not be truly significant. It was the feeling of the Program staff that there was no evidence to indicate the carcinogenicity of Malathion, although there is always a probability of obtaining a false negative.

The Subgroup agreed unanimously to accept the report on the bioassay of Malathion.

## Members present were:

Arnold Brown (Acting Chairman), Mayo Clinic
Lawrence Garfinkel, American Cancer Society
Joseph Highland, Environmental Defense Fund
Charles Kensler, Arthur D. Little Company
Verald K. Rowe, Dow Chemical, U.S.A.
Sheldon Samuels, Industrial Union Department, AFL-CIO
Louise Strong, University of Texas Health Sciences Center
Sidney Wolfe, Health Research Group

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<sup>\*</sup> Subsequent to this review, changes may have been made in the bioassay report either as a result of the review or other reasons. Thus, certain comments and criticisms reflected in the review may no longer be appropriate.



