

Contaminants of Emerging Concern: Synthesis and Strategy

2012 RMP Annual Meeting Meg Sedlak and Jay Davis

The Universe of CECs to Monitor





Muir and Howard 2006

How are we deciding which CECs to monitor?

- 1. Identifying CECs to monitor by:
 - 1. Reviewing literature; Asking the experts
 - 2. Using cutting edge instruments
 - 3. Developing new bioanalytical techniques
- 2. Quantifying CECs in the Bay
- 3. Prioritizing based on thresholds
- 4. Developing a CEC Strategy

1. Reviewing the literature; Asking the Experts

- Review the literature
 - Occurrence
 - Toxic
 - Persistent
 - Bioaccumulative
- Emerging Contaminant Workgroup

Identifying New Persistent and Bioaccumulative Organics Among Chemicals in Commerce

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The goal of this study was to identify commercial chemicals that might be persistent and bioaccumulative (P&B) and that were not being considered in current Great Lakes, North American, and Arrac contaminant measurement programs. We combined the Canadian Domestic Substance List (DSL), a list of 3059 substances of "unknown or variable composition complex reaction products and biological materials" (UVCBs), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Toxic Substances

610 Compounds

2. Using Cutting Edge Technologies

- Challenge to evaluate individual CECs
- New sophisticated instrument
 - Two-year RMP study with NIST to determine what is bioaccumulating in Bay seal and bivalve tissue
 - GC-GC TOF not your grandmother's GC
- Large libraries to identify compounds

 NIST library plus Howard and Muir list
- Report available early 2013



Dichlorodiphenylsulfone On Howard and Muir List



3. Developing State of the Art Bioassays



 Broad, nontargeted approach to identifying classes of biologically active compounds



- Linking cell effects to effects in fish
- 2013 RMP study 2 year project
 Estuarine fish and EDC compounds

Examples of CECs Evaluated by RMP

- Pharmaceuticals and Personal Care Products
- Alkylphenols
- Alternative flame retardants
- Perfluorinated chemicals
- Current use pesticides
- Chlorinated paraffins
- Summarized in CEC Synthesis document



Tiered Prioritization



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CA State Panel Report

Monitoring Strategies for Chemicals of Emerging Concern (CECs) in California's Aquatic Ecosystems

Recommendations of a Science Advisory Panel

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State Panel List for Estuaries

Table 1. CECs identified by the Advisory Panel for monitoring in coastal embayments

Surface waters	Sediments	Tissue		
17-beta estradiol (hormone)) 🗸 Bifenthrin (pesticide)	PBDEs 47, 99 (flame retardants)		
Estrone (hormone)	Permethrin (pesticide)	✓ PFOS (PFC)		
Bisphenol A (PPCP)				
HHCB - Galaxolide (PPCP)) 🖌 PFOS (PFC)			
Bifenthrin (pesticide)				
Permethrin (pesticide)				
Chlorpyrifos (pesticide)				





PFOS

- Perfluorooctane sulfonate
- Use





- Wide variety of applications
- Withdrawn from US market in 2002
- Large reservoir from historic use and precursors
- Toxic
 - Developmental toxicity, compromised immune systems, and endocrine disruptor
- Detected in Bay sediments, water, storm water, seals and bird eggs





PFOS in Bird Eggs



Rationale for Classification



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MODERATE CONCERN



- Concentrations > effects threshold
- Detected in apex predators with no indication of decline
- Sources to the Bay not known
- Further elucidation 2012 PFC Study

 Sediment, small fish, bird eggs, and seals



PBDEs – A Success Story

In 2002, PBDEs were

TIER I UNKNOWN CONCERN

 Phase-out of Penta and Octa in 2006; Deca by 2013





PBDEs in Bivalves







PBDEs in Cormorant Eggs





TIER I UNKNOWN CONCERN

Fipronil







- Fipronil
 - Structural pest control, landscaping, and consumer products
 - CA use almost doubled (2003 2008)
- RMP monitoring in Bay sediment
 - 1 to 56 ng/g OC
 - Sediment toxicity to midge
 - LC-50 130 ng/g OC (Maul 2008)
- No information on Bay water
 - Urban runoff in Sacramento/Orange County exceeds toxicity thresholds (Gan et al. 2012)



UNKNOWN CONCERN Alt. Flame Retardants

		High Vol?	Prop 65?	Sediment	Biota
Chlorinated phosphates	TDCPP*	Yes	Yes	\checkmark	ND
	TCPP*				ND
	ТСЕР		Yes	<u>.</u>	>
	ТВЕР			??	>
	TPP*	Yes		\checkmark	
Deca PBDF	DBDPE*	Yes		ND	??
replacements	BTBPE*	Yes		\checkmark	ND
Penta PBDF	TBPH*	Yes		ND	??
replacements	твв	Yes		ND	ND?
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	PBEB*			\checkmark	
	DP*	Yes			

Chris Werme article



* On Howard and Muir 610 list

CEC Strategy: Next Steps

- Articulate a strategy for CECs in upper tiers and unknown tier
- Incorporate "New" CECs
 - Review results of NIST study (early 2013)
 - Update prioritization table with new information as it comes available



2013 State of the Estuary & RMP Annual Meeting

- Combined meeting in downtown Oakland
- Focus on Contaminants of Emerging Concern
 - Latest RMP results
 - Leading scientists
 - Regional Board CEC policy
 - Green Chemistry Initiative update



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