

FORESTRY

(continued Mason and Lawson)

Treatment	% Mortality (24 hours)	% Mortality (48 hours)	Phytotoxicity (Aspen Leaves)			Phytotoxicity (Understory Veg)		
			1 wk	2 wk	3 wk	1 wk	2 wk	3 wk
Controls	0	0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Carbaryl (Sevin) (80% WP) .1 oz/gal	100	-		none		none		none
Carbaryl (Sevin) (80% WP) .2 oz/gal	100	-		none		none		none
Carbaryl (Sevin) (80% WP) .3 oz/gal	100	-		none		none		none
Malathion (Cythion) (57% EC) 1 tsp/gal	92	95		none		none		none
Malathion (Cythion) (57% EC) 2 tsp/gal	100	-		none		none		none
Malathion (Cythion) (57% EC) 3 tsp/gal	100	-		none		none		none

CONIFERS IN GENERA: *Abies*, *Picea*, *Pseudotsuga* and *Pinus*  
 Western spruce budworm; *Choristoneura occidentalis* Freeman  
 Douglas-fir tussock moth; *Orgyia pseudotsugata* (McDonnough)

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COMPARATIVE TOXICITY OF TECHNICAL ORTHENE AND ORTHENE 755 TO WESTERN SPRUCE BUDWORM AND DOUGLAS-FIR TUSSOCK MOTH, 1979: Iron Chemical Co. is changing the formulation of acephate for forestry used from 75% a.i. (Orthene 755) to 97% a.i. (technical Orthene). Orthene 755 is registered for control of western spruce budworm (WSBW) and Douglas-fir tussock moth (DFTM), at the present time. Whether the change in formulation would affect toxicity, feeding tests were done on 6th stage WSBW and 4th stage DFTM. Both formulations were dissolved in distilled water on the basis of weight/volume concentrations of the active ingredient. Eight concentrations serially diluted from a freshly prepared concentrate were used in each of 3 to 6 replications for each formulation and species. Two hundred  $\mu$ l of each concentration were added to 10 cc aliquots of liquefied artificial diet, and the mixture was stirred thoroughly in a plastic pill cup. When gelled, each died mold was removed from the pill cut and fed to 10 larvae. Mortality was tallied after 3 and 7 days of feeding.

The responses of each species to both acephate formulations were not significantly different after 3 days. This was true for DFTM at 7 days, also. For WSBW, however, the response curves at 7 days for the two acephate formulations had significantly different slopes and intercepts. WSBW appears to be more sensitive to technical acephate than to the 755 formulation at LD<sub>50</sub>. We concluded, therefore, that a change in acephate formulation for forestry uses will not adversely affect control of either DFTM or WSBW. Rather, Orthene technical may be effective at even lower rates than Orthene 755 for WSBW.

Species	Formulation	Number of insects		Slope $\pm$ S.E.	LC <sub>50</sub> **	95% CL	LC <sub>90</sub> **	95% CL
		No treatment	Treated					
				3-day mortality				
<i>Choristoneura occidentalis</i>	Orthene tech	100	911	3.70 $\pm$ 0.22	13.0	10.0-17.6	29.0	20.8-61.8
	Orthene 755	60	520	3.17 $\pm$ 0.24	12.8	10.0-16.0	32.2	24.2-52.8
<i>Orgyia pseudotsugata</i>	Orthene tech	140	940	2.86 $\pm$ 0.16	90.6	79.2-104.4	254.2	206.6-333.6
	Orthene 755	140	940	2.59 $\pm$ 0.14	81.6	69.2-96.8	254.4	198.2-357.8
				7-day mortality				
<i>Choristoneura occidentalis</i>	Orthene tech	120	1071	4.11 $\pm$ 0.30	6.0	5.6-6.6	12.4	11.2-14.2
	Orthene 755	60	520	2.19 $\pm$ 0.23	5.2	2.8-7.2	20.0	14.2-37.6
<i>Orgyia pseudotsugata</i>	Orthene tech	140	1060	3.19 $\pm$ 0.19	27.6	17.6-37.8	69.8	49.2-148.0
	Orthene 755	160	1180	2.87 $\pm$ 0.18	25.0	15.0-35.0	70.0	48.2-158.2

\*Control mortality was 0.0 for both formulations and both species.

\*\* Dosage expressed as ppm acephate in diet. Probit analysis performed by POLO, of Russell, R.M., J. L. Robertson, and N.E. Savin. 1977. POLO: a new computer program for probit analysis. Bull. Entomol. Soc. Amer. 23(3):209-13.

CONIFERS IN GENERA: *Abies*, and *Pseudotsuga*  
 Douglas-fir tussock moth; *Orgyia pseudotsugata*

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TOXICITIES OF TOPICALLY APPLIED INSECTICIDES TO DOUGLAS-FIR TUSSOCK MOTH, 1979: Topical application assessments were performed to determine the toxicities of 13 insecticides to 4th instar Douglas-fir tussock moth. Insects were selected at random from the 8th generation of a laboratory colony. Eight concentrations of each chemical were serially diluted from a concentrated source prepared for each of three replications of each bioassay. Each chemical was applied in reagent grade acetone. Treatment was performed with an ISCO model M microapplicator equipped with a 0.25 cc tuberculin syringe. A dosage rate of 1  $\mu$ l/100 mg body weight was used to apply the insecticide to the thoracic dorsa of CO<sub>2</sub>-anesthetized larvae weighing 40-90 mg. After treatment, larvae were fed artificial diet. Mortality was tallied 7 days after treatment.

Only one of the insecticides was less toxic than carbaryl, the standard for comparison. The most toxic insecticide, NRDC-161, was 10833 x more toxic than carbaryl at LD<sub>50</sub>.

Insecticide	No. insects treated	Slope $\pm$ S.E.	LD <sub>50</sub> *	95% CL*	LD <sub>90</sub> *	95% CL*
FMC 55381	580	1.07 $\pm$ 0.05	0.0045	0.0026-0.0081	0.070	0.027-0.69
FMC 55383	562	2.72 $\pm$ 0.43	0.0070	0.0051-0.0085	0.021	0.015-0.040
FMC 30980	520	1.58 $\pm$ 0.18	0.011	0.0065-0.016	0.068	0.039-0.20
FMC 35171	519	2.28 $\pm$ 0.30	0.012	0.0099-0.015	0.044	0.034-0.067
NRDC-143	959	2.96 $\pm$ 0.27	0.024	0.019-0.028	0.064	0.052-0.087
Pydrin	598	1.04 $\pm$ 0.09	0.024	0.013-0.052	0.41	0.14-0.42
Bolstar	560	2.41 $\pm$ 0.29	4.00	1.90-5.60	13.5	9.30-31.2
M 8983	480	3.48 $\pm$ 0.63	7.20	5.30-8.80	16.9	13.1-29.1
Idinfos	520	2.36 $\pm$ 0.27	9.90	7.10-12.7	34.6	24.5-67.0
M 10364	478	2.75 $\pm$ 0.22	12.8	10.1-15.9	37.5	28.9-53.3
Carbaryl	719	1.38 $\pm$ 0.15	13.0	8.40-18.7	110.	62.4-304
M 10445	480	0.88 $\pm$ 0.15	49.6	22.8-126	1410.	365-70400

\* Dosage expressed as  $\mu$ g/g body weight. Probit analysis performed by POLO (Russell, R.M., J. L. Robertson, and N.E. Savin. 1977. POLO: A New computer program for probit analysis. Bull. Ent. Soc. Amer. 23(3):209-13).