

## Ecotoxicological examination of some spirohydantoin and their derivatives towards Black Sea Mussel (*Mytilus galloprovincialis*)

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**Ecotoxicological examination of some spirohydantoin and their derivatives towards Black Sea Mussel (*Mytilus galloprovincialis*):** This article represent an investigation conducted in order to be revealed the eventual toxic action of cyclopentanespiro-5-hydantoin, cyclohexanespiro-5-hydantoin, cyclopentanespiro-5-(2,4-dithiohydantoin) and 1-aminocyclohexanecarboxylic acid to Black Sea Mussel (*Mytilus galloprovincialis*) which is the most economic important shellfish species for the region of Black Sea. Shellfish species are famous for their sensitiveness to presence of toxicants in the environment due to their specific way of life, that's why, the ecotoxicological investigation especially with economic important species like Black Sea Mussel are extremely significant in the area of ecology, ecotoxicology and fishery.

**Key words:** *Mytilus galloprovincialis*, Spirohydantoin.

### INTRODUCTION

Black sea mussel (*Mytilus galloprovincialis*) is one of the most perspective novel food source with proteins content equal to the cattle meat. The mussels are also important natural bio filter – at 17°C temperature of the water, one mussel is able to filter almost 3 liters sea water per hour. During recent years in Bulgaria is the increasing interest to this animal as profitable breeding culture. However due to the industrial contamination of Black Sea there is serious obstacles in realization of mussels farms.

The goal of this investigation is to be reveal the acute toxicity of some synthetic compounds: cyclopentanespiro-5-hydantoin (CPSH), cyclohexanespiro-5-hydantoin (CHSH), cyclopentanespiro-5-(2,4-dithiohydantoin) (CPSDTH) and 1-aminocyclohexanecarboxylic acid (ACHCA), which are also in the process of screening for biocide activity.

### RESULTS AND DISCUTIONS

#### 1. Test animals

Commercially available *Mytilus galloprovincialis* from a mussel farm situated in Bulgarian Black Sea coast were purchased. Mussels of similar size 7-8 cm were placed in aquarium filled with natural sea water received from mussel farm under continuously aerated conditions, temperature of 25°C and natural light. The mussels were acclimatized in laboratory conditions for at least 7 days before the beginning of the experiments and were fed with approximately 0.05 g powdered *Spirulina* every day [1].

#### 2. Synthetic compounds

All used chemicals were purchased from Merck and Sigma-Aldrich. The initial cyclopentanespiro-5-hydantoin (CPSH, Figure 1a) and cyclohexanespiro-5-hydantoin (CHSH, Figure 1b) were synthesized *via* the Bucherer-Lieb method [2]. The cyclopentanespiro-5-(2,4-dithiohydantoin) (CPSDTH, Figure 1c) was synthesized in accordance to Marinov et. al. [3]. The 1-aminocyclohexanecarboxylic acid (ACHCA, Figure 1d) was obtained according to Stoyanov and Marinov [4]. The melting points were determined with a Koffler apparatus and with a digital melting point apparatus SMP 10. The elemental analysis data were obtained with an automatic analyzer Carlo Erba 1106. IR spectra were taken on spectrometers Bruker-113 and Perkin-Elmer FTIR-1600 in KBr discs. NMR spectra were taken on a Bruker DRX-250 spectrometer, operating at 250.13 and 62.90 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C, respectively, and on a Bruker Avance II + 600 MHz spectrometer, operating at 600.130 and 150.903 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C, respectively, using the standard Bruker software. Chemical shifts were referenced to tetramethylsilane (TMS). Measurements were carried out at ambient temperature.

All the products obtained were characterized by physicochemical parameters, IR and NMR spectral data. The results obtained from these analyses are identical with the previously published in the literature [3-5].

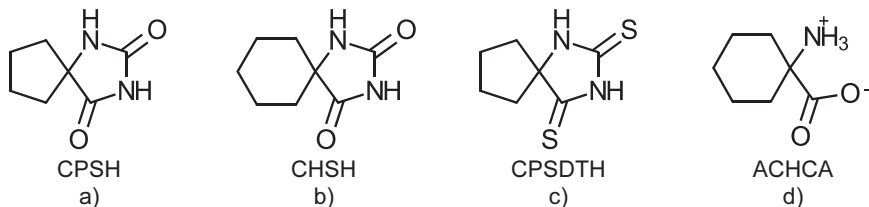


Figure 1

Ten concentrations of the tested compounds were prepared using the natural sea water from aquarium. The saturated concentrations of the compounds in the sea water were as follows: CPSH – 1 %, CHSH – 0.1 %, CPSDTH – 0.025 %, ACHCA – 2 %. The mussels were acclimatized in laboratory conditions for at least 5 days before the beginning of experiments. Healthy mussels were placed in separated mini aquariums filled with test solution with volume 5 liters and mussel density - 10 mussel / aquarium at 12 hours photoperiod daily [6]. The water was changed every 12 h and was spiked with test solutions after each renewal

The general condition of the animals and the mortalities were recorded daily and generally after 96 h (4 days) according to OECD standard for performing acute toxicity fish tests [7].

### 3. Mussel mortality

After finishing the test, the general conditions of the tested animals - reaction to stimuli, excretion of mucus, attachment to glass-walls were visually observed including with digital microscope. The percents of mortality (response to current compound) were calculated using Abbot's formula [8].

### 4. Statistical analysis

On base of mussel mortality  $LD_{05}$  (NOEL) and  $LD_{50}$ , were calculated for CPSH using R language for statistical computing [9] and R packages DoseFinding [10] with logistic model at 95 % confidence level with AIC coefficient of the model = 75.7166.

Non-linear regression modelling was conducted by R language DoseFinding packages function `fitDRModel()` in order to be determined values of  $LD_x$  ( $LD_{05}$  and  $LD_{50}$ ) which are as follows:

- $LD_{05} = 0.17 \%$
- $LD_{50} = 0.57 \%$

The dose-response curve of CPSH created by R language function `plot()` with main argument `fitDRModel()` function is presented on Figure 2.

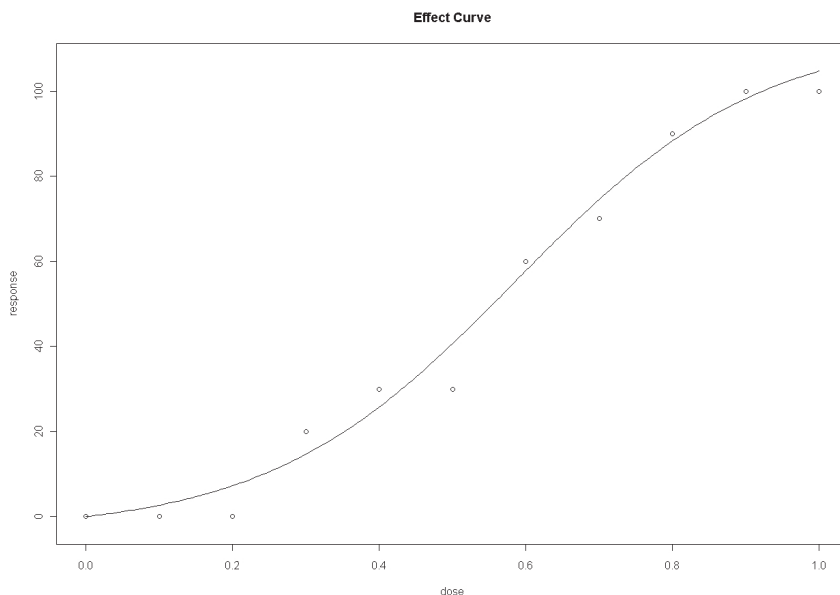


Figure 2. Dose-response curve of CPSH

## CONCLUSIONS

In all tested variants except CPSH were not observed any toxic manifestation on mussels. The results from experiment show that in highest possible concentration CHSH, CPSDTH and ACHCA do not cause black sea mussel mortality. However the tested compound CPSH is poetically dangerous for mussels expressing extraordinary toxicity according to them with  $LD_{50} = 0.57\%$  ( $NOEL (LD_{05}) = 0.17\%$ ).

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