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INVESTIGATION OF THE CONTRIBUTION OF AQUATIC HUMUS  
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## ABSTRACT

The fate and transport of insoluble, hydrophobic organic pollutants in the aquatic environment constitutes a prominent area of concern. It is thought that pollutants of this nature may exist in association with organic carbon, which is predominantly aquatic humus. This type of association could significantly affect the kinetics of such transformation processes as volatilization or chemical and biological degradation of the pollutant. While dissolved organic matter (DOM) comprises the bulk of organic carbon (or aquatic humus) in natural waters, the interaction between naturally occurring DOM and insoluble organic pollutants has not been quantified.

The work presented in this dissertation is an effort to quantify the effect of dissolved organic matter on the solubility in water and, hence, the transport of hydrophobic organic compounds (specifically, DDT) in the environment.

Saturated aqueous solutions of DDT were generated by a method that is different from those used by other workers. Within a closed system, an excess of solid DDT was allowed to vaporize and enter an aqueous solution through the gas phase. The concentration of DDT in solution increased with time, leveling off when equilibrium and a saturated solution was established.

The solubility of p,p'-DDT in distilled water was determined to be  $1.87 \pm .01$  ppb. The solubility of the o,p'-DDT isomer in distilled water was determined to be  $4.88 \pm .03$  ppb. The concentrations of p,p'-

DDT and o,p'-DDT in distilled water solutions containing dissolved organic matter were definitely higher than the aqueous solubilities of these compounds. A minimum value for the DDT/DOM partition coefficient ( $K_p$ ) in water was determined. This partition coefficient, when normalized to organic carbon, is referred to as  $K_{oc}$  ( $K_{oc} = K_p/\text{fraction organic carbon}$ ). A minimum  $\log K_{oc}$  for both p,p'-DDT and o,p'-DDT was determined to be  $4.7 \pm .2$  log units. Under environmental conditions, this partition coefficient indicates that the majority of DDT present in aqueous systems will be associated with dissolved organic matter.

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## CHAPTER I

### INTRODUCTION

The fate and transport of chemical pollutants in the environment is a prominent area of concern and a focus of much research activity. The environmental processes affecting a pollutant must be understood before the ecological significance of that chemical can be predicted or assessed (1, 2). Although much information concerning the fate and transport of various pollutants in the environment has been gained, our understanding of these processes is far from complete.

One group of chemical pollutants receiving much attention is the chlorinated hydrocarbons. The presence of chlorinated hydrocarbons in the environment has been well documented and is generally considered a hazard to man and his surroundings (3-31). Representative of this class are DDT, Kepone, Dioxin and the PCB's (polychlorinated biphenyls). All of these compounds are hydrophobic, and their water solubilities are extremely small. Most have very low vapor pressures as well. The physical properties of a pollutant play a major role in determining its environmental fate, and the various chlorinated hydrocarbons demonstrate similar behavior in the environment. This similarity allows for information concerning the environmental fate and transport of a specific chlorinated hydrocarbon to be extrapolated to the class as a whole.

One active area of study deals with the major modes of transport of chlorinated hydrocarbons within the environment (25, 31-44). Movement of these compounds from their point of entry is well documented (17, 31,

35, 37, 42, 45-49). Presently, it appears that all regions of this planet contain detectable levels of these chemicals (11, 17, 25, 26, 29, 42, 50-54). This degree of movement may at first seem surprising when one considers the low solubilities and vapor pressures of these compounds. These physical properties suggest that this class of pollutant should be resistant to environmental transport, and one would expect such chemicals to remain in the region of environmental entry.

A chemical pollutant travels by way of the air and the water. In movement, the chemical can be either associated with particulates or dissolved in the phase through which it's traveling (as a vapor in the gas phase and as a solute in the liquid phase). Due to their low vapor pressures, it was believed that chlorinated hydrocarbons migrated in air only in association with particulates, and that atmospheric transport was not a significant process. Lately these compounds have been shown to volatilize to an important degree (55-57), and that distribution through the atmosphere plays an integral part in the movements of these pollutants (42, 51-60).

During aqueous transport, chlorinated hydrocarbons are found in association with naturally occurring organic matter in fresh and marine water. The nature of this association has been the subject of much work. Naturally occurring organic matter is present in both particulate and dissolved states. While the interaction between hydrophobic compounds and dissolved organic matter is poorly understood, chlorinated hydrocarbons in aqueous systems have been shown to associate strongly with the organic matter of soils (37, 61-71), sediments (37, 71-73), particulates and suspended solids (40, 73-78).

At the dilute concentrations of pollutants observed in the environment, the equilibrium isotherms for adsorption of these compounds to particulate organic matter are linear, so the association reaction has been modeled as a partitioning of the pollutant between the aqueous phase and the organic fraction of the solid phase (38, 40, 69, 71, 79-82). This partitioning is analogous to the partitioning of a compound between the aqueous and organic phases in a separatory funnel. A partition coefficient,  $K_p$ , can be calculated, where

$$K_p = \frac{\text{concentration of compound in sorbed phase}}{\text{concentration of compound in aqueous phase}}$$

As the partition coefficient exhibits a linear dependence on the amount of organic carbon present, the coefficient is normalized for the amount of organic matter by dividing by  $\alpha_{oc}$  (38, 69, 71, 79, 80, 82-84), where  $\alpha_{oc}$  = fraction of organic carbon present, and

$$K_{oc} = K_p / \alpha_{oc}$$

$$\text{Letting } \rho_{oc} = \frac{\text{weight of organic carbon}}{\text{weight of water}},$$

this normalized partition coefficient ( $K_{oc}$ ), can be expressed as

$$K_{oc} = \frac{\text{fraction of pollutant sorbed}}{\text{fraction of pollutant in aqueous phase}} \frac{1}{\rho_{oc}},$$

and is independent of the amount of organic matter present.

The  $K_{oc}$ 's have been calculated for the partitioning of many compounds into the naturally occurring organic matter of various solids. For a specific compound, the respective  $K_{oc}$  has been shown to be remarkably constant over a variety of soils, sediments, particulates and suspended solids (38, 69, 79, 82, 84).



A linear relationship has been shown to exist between the logarithm of the  $K_{oc}$  and the aqueous solubility of that compound (80, 82, 84). Improved fits have been made by adding terms to correct for crystal energies (82). A linear relationship has also been demonstrated between the  $\log K_{oc}$  and the logarithm of the octanol/water partition coefficient  $K_{ow}$  (79, 82, 84).

While the partitioning of hydrophobic compounds to solid or particulate organic matter has thus been extensively characterized, the interaction between dissolved organic matter (DOM) and chlorinated hydrocarbons is not well understood. DOM comprises the bulk of organic carbon in natural waters: the ratio of dissolved to particulate organic carbon averages 10:1 for small temperate forest watersheds (85, 86). With an estimated  $10^{14}$  to  $10^{15}$  grams of organic carbon transported by the rivers of the world each year (86, 87), the interaction between chlorinated hydrocarbons and naturally occurring DOM is an area of prime environmental concern.

#### STATEMENT OF PROBLEM

This work is an effort to quantify the effect of dissolved organic matter (DOM) on the solubility in water and, hence, the transport of hydrophobic organic compounds (specifically, DDT) in the environment.

##### Dissolved Organic Matter

Concentrations of DOM in rivers range from one to 80 mg/L. For example, the Columbia River averages 6 mg/L DOM, the lower Mississippi 8 mg/L, and the Williamson River in southern Oregon averages 40-50 mg/L at one location (88).

The physical and chemical nature of dissolved organic matter in natural waters has been extensively studied (85, 88-94). While the input of labile organic matter of biological origin is large, this material is rapidly degraded and comprises a relatively small part of the DOM in natural waters (85, 94). On an average, 70-80% of the organic matter occurring in natural waters is humic matter (94, 95). Humic matter is an amorphous, polymeric material that is resistant to chemical or biological degradation. It is this degradative resistance that is responsible for the high proportion of river organic matter that is humic material.

Humic matter is divided into three operationally defined parts. Humin is that fraction which is not soluble in base. Humic acid is the fraction that is soluble in base, but not acid. Fulvic acid is the fraction that is soluble in both acid and base. While all three fractions are found in soils, sediments, and particulates, fulvic acid comprises 90% or more of the dissolved humic matter of natural waters, the remainder being humic acid (89, 91, 94).

Humic matter has been extensively studied (93, 96-118). Although its structural features are not well known, it is thought to be comprised of large molecules ranging between 500-1000 daltons for fulvic acid (1000-1500 for humic acid). Extensive efforts at physical and chemical characterization have resulted in some generally recognized models for these substances. Humic and fulvic acids are thought to be polymeric compounds containing a sizable portion of aromatic, phenolic and carboxylic functionalities. Fulvic acid contains a higher proportion of oxygen-containing polar functional groups. The macromolecular properties of these compounds have been an area of much interest (118-

130). It is thought that these molecules contain regions that exhibit hydrophobic properties. It is known that hydrophobic molecules or hydrophobic areas of large molecules demonstrate an attraction for each other in aqueous systems (131, 132). It has been suggested that humic materials, due to their hydrophobic nature, could preferentially partition or sorb insoluble organic compounds from an aqueous medium (68, 117, 118, 133-135). As fulvic acid contains more polar groups and a higher aqueous solubility, it would not be unreasonable to expect that a hydrophobic compound might partition to the humic acid of sediments and particulates to a greater extent than to the fulvic acid which predominates in DOM.

Recently, work has indicated that there may be considerable aliphatic nature to humic molecules (136). It has also been found that, at an aquatic pH of greater than 6.5 and a concentration less than 3500 mg/L, the molecules may "unwind" to form a more open, flexible structure (137). The effects of macromolecular shifts in configuration of humus on the association with hydrophobic compounds is not known.

Although the chlorinated hydrocarbons - DOM association has been investigated, the interaction has not been well quantified. Hassett and Anderson (138) showed that DOM in river water reduced solvent extraction recoveries of radiolabeled cholesterol. Boucher and Lee (139) found that naturally occurring dissolved organics in lake water reduced absorption of Dieldrin on aquifer sand by 40-47%. Coburn, et al (140) fortified distilled water and natural waters with a mixture of organochlorinated pesticides and PCB's. The natural waters gave lower recoveries of pollutants when extracted with XAD-2 resin.

In general, the available quantitative data concerning the association between aquatic humic matter and insoluble organic compounds are difficult to extrapolate to an environmental situation involving naturally occurring DOM and pollutants. Wershaw, et al (141) reported that a 5000 mg/L sodium humate solution increased the solubility of DDT by a factor of twenty. Boehm and Quinn (142) found that naturally occurring DOM and sediment fulvic acid enhance the solubility of normal alkanes, hexadecane and eicosane in sea water. Phenanthrene showed no solubility enhancement. Poirrier, et al (77) spiked a natural water sample containing iron-organic colloids with radiolabeled DDT. The colloids were removed by centrifugation. The centrifuge pellet concentrated the DDT by a factor of 15,800 relative to the supernatant solution. Carter and Suffet (143) examined the association of radiolabeled DDT and dissolved humic materials. Solutions of organic matter extracted from soils and sediments were retained within dialysis tubing and allowed to equilibrate with DDT solutions. DDT concentrations of the solutions were well below the aqueous DDT solubility, and the concentrations of organic matter were in the range of environmental conditions. DDT was found to partition to the soil/sediment organic matter with a  $\log K_{oc}$  of 5.1 to 5.7. A few experiments conducted with pond and reservoir water containing a small amount of naturally occurring DOM indicated a DDT  $\log K_{oc}$  of 4.8 (143).

Thus, while extraction efficiencies demonstrate a qualitative interaction of DOM and hydrophobic organic compounds, most quantitative work has involved (1) conditions difficult to extrapolate to the environment (Wershaw), (2) iron-organic colloids which were not actually dissolved (Poirrier, et al), or (3) solutions of soil or sediment organ-

ic material which is only similar to naturally occurring dissolved organic matter (Carter and Suffet). The only environmentally related quantitative work utilizing actual DOM involved a few measurements of two water samples containing a small amount of dissolved organic carbon (Carter and Suffet). This lack of quantitative data limits the understanding of the interactions between pollutants and dissolved organic matter in aqueous systems.

#### Representative of Chlorinated Hydrocarbons: DDT

DDT was selected for use in this work as representative of the class of chlorinated hydrocarbons. The selection of DDT offered several advantages: (1) it is readily obtainable in a highly purified form, (2) its physical and chemical characteristics have been well studied and (3) relative to other compounds in the same class, it is less toxic.

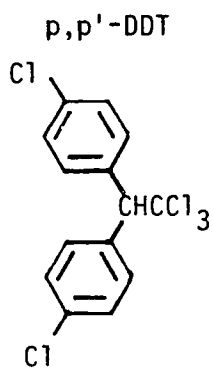
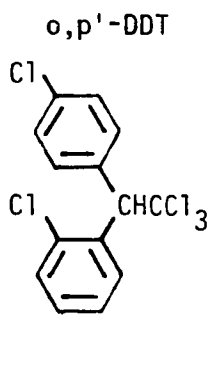
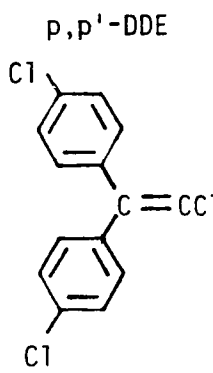
The term DDT often refers to p,p'-DDT, Chemical Abstracts: 1,1'-(2,2,2-trichloroethylidene)bis[4-chlorobenzene] [50-29-3]. The p,p'-DDT used in this work was contaminated with about one percent of the isomer o,p'-DDT, Chemical Abstracts: 1-chloro-2-[2,2,2-trichloro-1-(4-chlorophenyl)ethylbenzene] [789-02-6], and a lesser amount of a degradation product, p, p'-DDE, Chemical Abstracts: 1,1'-(dichloroethenylidene) bis[4-chlorobenzene] [72-55-9]. As this work includes solubility data for both the p,p'-DDT and o,p'-DDT isomers, "DDT" will be used to represent both isomers collectively. Reference to an individual isomer will be made as "p,p'-DDT" or "o,p'-DDT."

While much work has been done to characterize the physical properties of DDT, there is not yet precise agreement on aqueous solubility or vapor pressure. This disparity reflects the difficulties involved in

accurately measuring the minute quantities of DDT that are involved. While there is some scatter in the reported values of solubility and vapor pressure, presented in Tables I and II, a range of agreement is clearly established.

TABLE I  
PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF  
DDT-TYPE COMPOUNDS

Physical Properties

	p,p'-DDT	o,p'-DDT	p,p'-DDE
Structure			
Molecular Weight	354.5	354.5	318.0
Melting Point	108.5-109.0°C	74-74.5°C	82°C

Vapor Pressure

Compound	Value	Reference
p,p'-DDT	$7.3 \times 10^{-7}$ torr (30°C)	Spencer & Cliath (144)
	$1.5 \times 10^{-7}$ torr (20°C)	Spencer & Cliath (144)
	$1.5 \times 10^{-7}$ torr (20°C)	Metcalf (145)
	$4.3 \times 10^{-7}$ torr (25°C)	Rothman (146)
o,p'-DDT	$5.5 \times 10^{-6}$ torr (30°C)	Spencer & Cliath (144)
	$8.8 \times 10^{-6}$ torr (30°C)	Westcott, et al (147)
p,p'-DDE	$6.5 \times 10^{-6}$ torr (20°C)	Spencer & Cliath (144)
	$1.3 \times 10^{-5}$ torr (30°C)	Westcott, et al (147)

TABLE II  
PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF  
DDT-TYPE COMPOUNDS

Aqueous Solubility

<u>Compound</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Generation of Saturated Solution</u>	<u>Analytical Method</u>	<u>Reference</u>
p,p'-DDT	37.5 ppb(25°C)	Centrifugation	Radiometric	Babers (148)
	<1.2 ppb(25°C)	Centrifugation	Radiometric	Bowman, et al (149)
	1.7 ppb(25°C)	Centrifugation	EC-GLC	Biggar, et al (150)
	5.5 ppb(25°C)	Flow System		Weil, et al (151)
	4 ppb(25°C)	Extrapolated from nephelometric method	Spectrophotofluorometer	Hollifield (152)
	5.0 ppb(20°C)	Centrifugation	EC-GLC	Chiou, et al (153)
o,p'-DDT	26 ppb(25°C)	Flow System		Weil, et al (151)
p,p'-DDE	14 ppb(25°C)	Flow System		Weil, et al (151)
	40 ppb(20°C)	Static equilibrium	EC-GLC	Chiou, et al (154)
	65 ppb(25°C)	Extrapolated from nephelometric method	Spectrophotofluorometer	Hollifield (152)

The chemical reactivity of DDT has been well documented (4, 5, 21, 155-159).

The biological reactivity of p,p'-DDT has been well studied (29, 42, 155-170). There is general agreement that the major degradation products are p,p'-DDE and p,p'-DDD, Chemical Abstracts: 1,1'-(2,2-di-



chloroethylidene) bis[4-chlorobenzene] [72-54-8]. Further degradation of these products may or may not occur, depending on the existing environmental conditions and on the biological system(s) involved. It has been observed in general that p,p'-DDE is quite resistant to further degradation.

The partitioning of DDT between water and the organic matter in soils and sediments has been measured and  $K_{oc}$ 's have been calculated for the partitioning of p,p'-DDT to particulate humic material.

$$\text{DDT } K_{oc} = 1.31 \times 10^5 \quad (171)$$

$$2.38 \times 10^5 \quad (172)$$

$$3.55 \times 10^5 \quad (171)$$

$$1.23 - 5.50 \times 10^5 \quad (143)$$

### Solubility Determination

The accurate determination of aqueous solubilities for compounds essentially insoluble in water is very difficult. The critical step involves the generation of a solution that is saturated with the compound of interest. There are three basic methods that have been employed to generate saturated DDT solutions:

- (1) Supersaturate and remove excess. This is the method most commonly used. An excess amount of DDT is added to water and the mixture is shaken for several days or sonicated. The undissolved DDT is then removed, usually by high-speed centrifugation for extended periods.
- (2) Three-phase system. This method is used most often for solubility estimation. A near saturated solute-octanol solution is mixed with a volume of water. The solubility of the solute in the octanol phase decreases due to the equilibrium content of water in the

alcohol. The quantity of solute that is no longer soluble in the octanol is more than enough to saturate the aqueous phase. Thus, crystalline solute appears at the interface of the two liquid phases (after centrifugation), and a saturated aqueous phase is generated. Because the determination is rapid, this method finds its greatest applicability in estimating the solubility of compounds that are unstable in water (not a problem with DDT) and therefore cannot be equilibrated with water for long periods of time (173).

- (3) Approach to saturation. This method involves coating the interior walls of a vessel or the surface of glass beads with solid DDT. Water is then allowed to equilibrate with the solid by swirling in the flask or slowly flowing through a column packed with the beads. The concentration of DDT in the water is monitored over time to determine when equilibrium (saturation) has been reached.

Each of these three methods has its own inherent problems. In removing undissolved DDT from a supersaturated solution, an operationally defined "saturated solution" is generated. It has been shown that the concentration of DDT in the supernatant liquid is a function of the speed and duration of centrifugation (150, 174). In addition, centrifugation has been determined not suited for solubility enhancement work (see Appendix). The three-phase system cannot generate accurate saturated solutions. The water phase is saturated with the organic phase, and this small amount of organic solvent in the water has been shown to affect the aqueous concentration of DDT (153, 175, 176). The method involving the approach to saturation has the best potential for generating a saturated concentration that is independent of operating para-

meters. The problem involved with this method arises from the physical contact of solid DDT and the solution. This contact permits the entry of particles of DDT into the solution in an undissolved state. At the low concentrations of DDT being measured, a uniform suspension of undissolved DDT particles could result in a large error in the determined solubility.

The work described in this dissertation utilizes a different method for generation of a saturated solution. A saturated solution is approached from a low concentration side, but the solution does not physically contact solid DDT.

#### Analytical Determination

The sensitivity required to accurately determine DDT concentrations in the ppb range narrows the choice of analytical methods to two: radioisotope techniques or electron capture gas liquid chromatography (EC-GLC). While both methods have disadvantages, EC-GLC was selected for use in this work.

The major drawback with the radioisotopic labeling method is found in the "blind counting" during the analysis. The counter counts all radio labels, regardless of the chemical species. The accuracy of this method is therefore dependent on the purity of the radiolabeled DDT. Impurities in radiolabeled DDT have been observed to significantly affect the results of volatilization and solubility determinations (146-149). As some of these impurities have markedly different physical properties, even a small amount of a contaminant can significantly affect results.

With the proper operating parameters, the EC-GLC method allows for a separate quantification of the electron capturing isomers and degradation products of DDT (177-185). Thus, contaminants are monitored. Difficulties of this method involve the inability to analyze aqueous solutions directly (186, 187). This, along with the concentration step required by the low levels to be measured, necessitates an involved sample work-up (188-191). In addition, the EC detector is extremely sensitive to a whole host of laboratory generated contaminants (55, 188, 190, 192, 193). As a result, the procedures required for accurate results at the ppb level demand extreme cleanliness and tedious quantitative exactness.

## CHAPTER II

### EXPERIMENTAL

#### COURSE OF ACTION

DDT solubility in distilled water was determined by an approach to saturation method. Aliquots of the solution approaching saturation were removed over a period of time. After each aliquot was extracted, EC-GLC was used to determine the amount of DDT in the extract. GLC-mass spectrometry was used to confirm the identities of the DDT isomers that were measured. When the concentration of DDT in solution, over a period of time, reached and maintained a maximum level, equilibrium (and saturation) had been achieved.

The concentration of DDT (over time) was also measured in approach to saturation systems containing solutions of naturally occurring dissolved organic matter (DOM). DOM used in these systems was isolated from river water. The concentration of DOM in solution was determined by absorbance measurements in the UV-visible range.

The pH, ionic strength and DOM concentration of each solution were adjusted to reflect a range of environmental fresh water conditions.

#### REAGENTS

##### Amberlite XAD-7 macroreticular resin

Rohm and Haas, Inc.

The resin was extracted with methanol in a Soxhlet apparatus overnight and stored in methanol until ready for use.

Amberlite 120 IR resin

The resin was acidified with HCl, then washed with distilled water until neutral.

Triethyl amine

Baker Chemical Company

Reagent Grade

The amine was distilled in glass before use.

Organic matter

Williamson River in Southern Oregon

Isolated material was freeze-dried, then vacuum-dried.

C,H,N analysis (duplicate samples):	% C	47.43 ± 0.00
	% H	4.10 ± 0.00
	% N	1.65 ± 0.07
	% O	41.74 ± 0.09
	% ash	5.08 ± 0.02

Water

House-distilled water

The water was distilled in glass from a 0.1 N KOH, 0.01 N  $\text{KMnO}_4$  solution before use.

Sodium chloride

Mallinckrodt Chemical Company

Analytical Reagent Grade

The sodium chloride was crystalized from quartz-distilled water and oven-dried.

p,p'-DDT

Aldrich Chemical Company

1,1-bis-(p-chlorophenyl)-2,2,2-trichloroethane, Gold Label, 99+%

p,p'-DDT was used without further purification.

DDT-coated glass beads

4 mm borosilicate glass beads were cleaned in the same manner as all glassware (see Glassware). Approximately 350 beads were combined with 40 mL of hexanes containing 0.1 g p,p'-DDT and the hexanes were removed by rotary evaporation. The coated beads were stored in glass.

Aldrin

Polyscience Corporation

1,2,3,4,10,10,-hexachloro-1,4,5,8,8-hexahydro-1,4-endo-exo-5,8-dimethanonaphthalene, Qual Grade, 99%.

Aldrin was used without further purification.

Dichloromethane

American Scientific and Chemical

Laboratory Grade (glass bottles with aluminum foil cap liners)

The dichloromethane was fractionally distilled in an all-glass apparatus and stored in glass.

Hexanes

American Scientific and Chemical

Laboratory Grade (55 gal steel barrel fitted with a brass spigot)

The hexanes were fractionally distilled in an all-glass apparatus and stored in glass.

Sodium sulfate, anhydrous

Mallinckrodt Chemical Company

Analytical Reagent Grade

The sodium sulfate was heated at 250°C overnight and stored in all glass.

Hengar granules

Hengar Company

Selenized

The Hengar granules were washed with hexanes, then heated at 250°C overnight and stored in all glass.

Heptane (normal)

Mallinckrodt Chemical Company

Spectrometric Grade (glass bottle with aluminum foil cap liner)

Heptane was used without further purification.

o,p'-DDT

Aldrich Chemical Company

1-(o-chlorophenyl)-1-(p-chlorophenyl)-2,2,2-trichloroethane, Gold Label, 99+%

o,p'-DDT was used without further purification.

p,p'-DDE

PolyScience Corporation

1,1-dichloro-2,2-bis(p-chlorophenyl)ethylene, Qual Grade, 99%

p,p'-DDE was used without further purification.



## INSTRUMENTATION

### EC-GLC

Gas chromatography data was collected from a Hewlett Packard 5750 B gas chromatograph with  $^{63}\text{Ni}$  electron capture detector. Separation of the internal standard and the DDT isomers was accomplished on a 6 ft., 1/4" OD, 4 mm ID glass column packed with 1.5% SP-2250/1.95% P-2401 on 100/120 Supelcoport (similar to OV-17/QF-1 or OV-17/OV-210). The carrier gas used was 95% Argon/5% Methane. Operating parameters included: injection port 245°C, column 200°C (isothermal), detector 222°C pulsed at 15  $\mu\text{sec}$ , flow rate at 90 mL/min. Five  $\mu\text{L}$  of sample were injected.

The chromatogram was recorded and the peaks integrated by a Hewlett Packard 3380 A integrator.

### Absorbance

UV-visible absorbances were measured with a Cary 14 UV-Visible spectrophotometer. Absorption of pH 10 organic matter solutions in a 5.0 cm cell were measured at 420 nm.

### GC-Mass Spectrometry

GC/MS work was performed on a Finnigan 4023 GC/MS at the University of Oregon Health Sciences Center. Gas chromatographic separation of the isomers was accomplished with a 6 ft., 1/4 in. OD glass column packed with 1.5% SP-2250/1.95% SP-2401 on 100/120 Supelcoport. The carrier gas was nitrogen, run with a flow rate of 25 mL/min. The injection port was set at 225°C. The column oven temperature was varied by the following program: 2-minute hold at 175°C, 5-minute increase at 10°C/min., and

3-minute hold at 225°C. The mass spectrometer was operated in the positive and negative chemical ionization modes (with a 5-minute delay). Methane was the reagent gas, and the electron energy was 70eV.

#### GLASSWARE

Wherever feasible, borosilicate glassware was the only material allowed to contact samples, solutions and purified reagents. Exceptions were limited to the use of stainless steel and fluorocarbon polymers, which were present in stopcocks and in spiking and analysis syringes.

The polymeric stopcocks were shown to sorb small amounts of pesticide during sample work-up. The quantity sorbed was not significant to the recovery of any one sample, but would have been significant if allowed to accumulate over a number of samples. For this reason, the stopcocks were extracted twice for 15 minutes with dichloromethane and washed in soap after each sample. No accumulation of pesticide by the fluorocarbon polymer stopcocks was observed with this cleaning procedure.

Routinely after each sample work-up, the glassware was rinsed with tapwater, soaked in soap, rinsed with tap water, air dried and heated at 250°C overnight.

#### ISOLATION OF DISSOLVED ORGANIC MATTER

The Williamson River in southern Oregon was utilized as the source of dissolved organic matter (DOM) used in this study. The section of river between Klamath Marsh and Upper Klamath Lake contains as much as 50 mg/L DOM. The sampling site is located near Kirk at USGS Gage Sta-

tion #18010201, latitude 42°44'25", longitude 121°50'00". The sample was collected on 01-14-79; water temperature was 0°C.

Water was withdrawn via a motor-driven pump which was first flushed with river water. Maximum output of the pump was 46 gal/min. The water was pumped into 55-gallon drums that had previously contained 95% ethyl alcohol. The drums were rinsed three to four times with river water before they were filled. The water collected was stored at 4°C until the DOM was isolated.

To remove particulates, the river water was centrifuged in a continuous flow system involving a Sorvall SS-3 centrifuge with a SS-34 rotor. Centrifugation was carried out at 10,000 rpm at a flow rate of 150-160 mL/min. These conditions allowed for the removal of particulates with a diameter of  $\sim 1$   $\mu\text{m}$  or greater. Centrifugation did not remove particles with a diameter of 0.45  $\mu\text{m}$ , which is the generally accepted operational definition distinguishing particulate and dissolved species. The sampling site, however, has been shown to contain only three to five percent of its organic matter as particles of diameter greater than 0.45  $\mu\text{m}$  (assayed by absorbance at 420 nm and pH 10) (88). Thus, the centrifuged water contained only an extremely small amount of material with a diameter between 0.45 and 1  $\mu\text{m}$ .

After centrifugation, the river water was acidified to pH 1.8 with HCl. Dissolved organic matter was adsorbed on Rohm and Haas Amberlite XAD-7 macroreticular resin in a 9 cm diameter glass column following procedures recommended by the manufacturer (194). Retention of humic substances was  $\sim 80\%$  as determined by absorbance at 420 nm of a pH 10 solution. Any metals or traces of ethanol that might have originated from the 55-gallon storage drums would not have been retained by the macroreticular resin.

Triethylamine was selected as the base for elution of the organic matter for the following reasons: (1) To minimize the possibility of base catalyzed degradation of the humic substances, elution should be done with a weak base. Since a solution of triethylamine has a lower pH than a solution of NaOH of the same concentration, any base catalyzed degradation of the organic matter would proceed at a slower rate in the presence of amine. (2) Following elution of the organic matter, excess base in the effluent may be removed by evaporation of the  $\text{Et}_3\text{N}$ , since this base has an appreciable vapor pressure. (3) Use of a tertiary amine minimizes inclusion of the base by the humic matter, as condensation reactions with carbonyl functionalities do not occur. Inclusion of less highly substituted amines has been observed (195).

After elution with 0.15 M  $\text{Et}_3\text{N}$ , excess base was removed via rotary evaporation. The concentrated effluent was diluted with distilled water prior to desalting on a 4 cm diameter glass column of Amberlite 120 IR resin to prevent precipitation of the less soluble "humic acid" fraction of aquatic humus in the acidic environment of the resin. The effluent (pH 2.4) was concentrated by rotary evaporation, freeze-dried, then vacuum-dried at room temperature. Approximately 10 grams of organic matter was isolated from 500 liters of river water in this way. Duplicate C,H,N analyses gave the following results:

% C	47.43 ± 0.00
% H	4.10 ± 0.00
% N	1.65 ± 0.07
% O	41.74 ± 0.09
% ash	5.08 ± 0.02

### DOM STOCK SOLUTION PREPARATION

Freeze-dried organic matter (0.6g) was mixed with 20.0 mL of 0.1 N NaOH. One liter of distilled water was added, and the solution was mixed for several hours before filtering through a 4-8  $\mu$ m glass frit. The filtrate was then diluted to three liters and aerated with nitrogen. An aliquot was removed for determination of DOM concentration ( $\sim$ 90 mg/L). Stock solutions were stored in the dark.

### DOM/ABSORBANCE CALIBRATION

A DOM stock solution was adjusted to pH = 10 and serially diluted with pH 10 NaOH solution. The resulting pH 10 DOM solutions were placed in 5.00 cm cells (pH 10 NaOH solution reference) and their absorbance at 420 nm was measured with a Cary 14 spectrophotometer.

The DOM concentration of the stock solution was determined gravimetrically after drying an aliquot at 106°C overnight.

A linear regression analysis of concentration in mg/L versus absorbance at 420 nm yields a straight line of slope 61.55 and intercept 0.655 and a correlation coefficient of 0.9999 (see Figure 1).

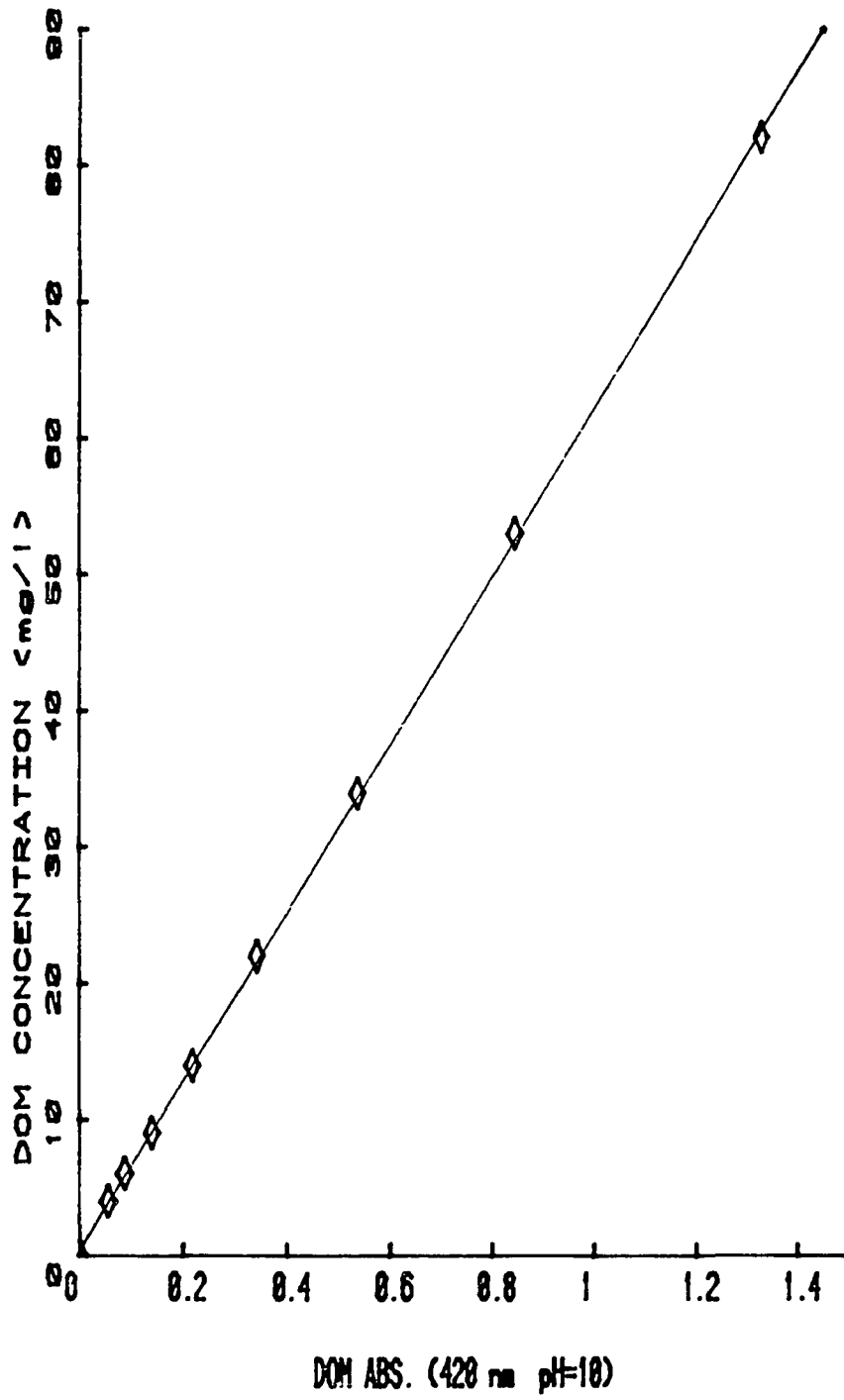


Figure 1. DOM/Absorbance

## DOM CONCENTRATION DETERMINATION

A 20.0 mL aliquot of the organic solution to be analyzed was titrated with 0.01 N NaOH to pH 10 by use of a 250  $\mu$ L Finnpiet. To avoid possible alteration of the solution by the pH electrode, this aliquot was discarded and a second 20.0 mL aliquot was treated with the same volume of 0.01 N NaOH, then diluted to 25.0 mL with a pH 10 NaOH solution.

The adsorption of this pH 10 solution at 420 nm was determined by using 5.00 cm cells (pH 10 NaOH solution reference) and a Cary 14 spectrophotometer. The absorbance measured was corrected for dilution and the concentration determined from the absorbance vs. concentration calibration plot (Figure 1).

## VAPOR EQUILIBRIUM SOLUTION PREPARATION

### DOM Concentration Adjustment

DOM stock solution was diluted with distilled water to give 1200 mL of solution with the desired DOM concentration.

### pH Adjustment

The pH of the solution was adjusted to the desired level with HCl or NaOH solutions.

### Ionic Strength Adjustment

Assuming an average molecular weight of 1000 for fulvic acid, the concentration of fulvic acid is  $8 \times 10^{-5}$  M in an 80 mg/L DOM solution. For the dissolved organic matter, one may assume

$$[H^+] \approx [A^-] \approx \sqrt{KC}$$

where  $K = 1 \times 10^{-4}$  (based on carboxylic functionality)

For an 80 mg/L solution  $C = 8 \times 10^{-5}$  M and  $[H^+] \approx [A^-] \approx 9 \times 10^{-5}$  M or the ionic strength (I), equals 0.00009, which may be considered insignificant. Based on these assumptions, the NaOH added during the stock solution preparation and the pH adjustment are the only significant factors in determining the ionic strength of the solution prior to ionic strength adjustment. The concentration of sodium was calculated from the amounts of NaOH that were added, and NaCl was added to adjust the sodium (hence the ionic strength) to the desired level.

Finally, the solution was placed in a two-liter, round-bottom flask and aerated with nitrogen.

#### SATURATED DDT SOLUTION PREPARATION

An indirect method of obtaining a saturated DDT solution was developed for this work. The method involves a vapor phase equilibrium system which allows for a gradual increase in the DDT concentration of an aqueous solution until saturation has been reached. The system consists of a stoppered flask containing solid DDT which is isolated (with respect to physical contact) from the aqueous solution. DDT vaporizes, then dissolves in the solution from the vapor phase. When the system reaches equilibrium, the solution is saturated with DDT. Since this procedure approaches a saturated solution from the low concentration side, the problems associated with removal of undissolved solute are of no concern.

Extensive efforts were made to prepare saturated solutions of DDT by the commonly used method of centrifugation of a supersaturated solu-



tion (148-150, 174). Centrifugation proved unsatisfactory for rendering a saturated solution from a supersaturated one. See Appendix.

Specifically, the actual vapor equilibrium (VE) apparatus (see Figure 2) consisted of a two-liter, round-bottom flask fitted with a glass stopper. Extending down from the bottom of the stopper was a glass cup on a glass stem. The aqueous solution was placed in the flask. Solid DDT coated on glass beads is suspended above the solution in the cup. The system was swirled on an orbital table shaker to accelerate the attainment of equilibrium.

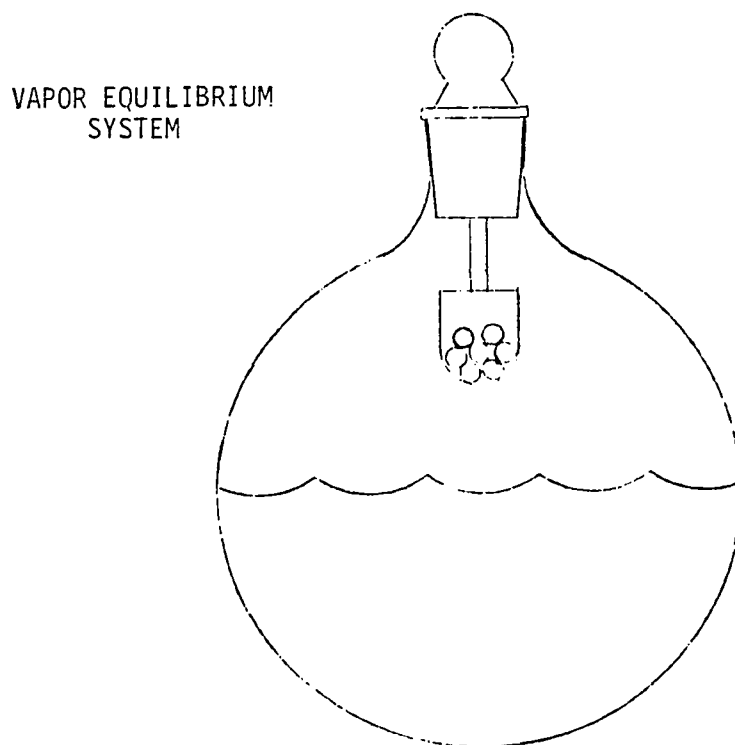


Figure 2. VE system.

After the aqueous solution was placed in the flask, the solution was aerated with nitrogen. Ten DDT beads were then placed in the glass cup, and the flask was sealed with the attached glass stopper. Flasks containing DOM solutions were covered with foil to minimize light-

induced degradation of the humic material. At two-day intervals the stopper and DDT beads assembly was exchanged with a second stopper and bead assembly. This rotation was instituted to provide a constant source of dry DDT. Without rotation, moisture would condense on the beads, slowing the rate of DDT vaporization. After removal from the VE system, the beads were allowed to air dry in a fume hood for one hour. The beads were then stored in a glass vial until they were rotated back into the flask. The stopper/cup assemblies were washed via the standard procedure (see Glassware) as part of the rotation process.

#### EXTRACTION AND WORK-UP

A 50 mL volumetric pipet was rinsed with the vapor equilibrium solution to be sampled. Duplicate 50 mL aliquots were removed and worked up side by side. A 50 mL aliquot was placed in a 250 mL separatory funnel fitted with a glass stopper and fluorocarbon polymer stopcock. The aliquot was extracted three times with 25 mL portions of dichloromethane. Following the removal of both phases after extraction, the funnel was rinsed three times with dichloromethane. The rinses were added to the extract, and the solution filtered through anhydrous sodium sulfate which had been washed twice with hexanes. Filtration was performed under aspirator vacuum with a 4-5  $\mu$ m glass frit filter supporting the sodium sulfate. The sodium sulfate was then rinsed three times with hexanes, and the rinses were added to the dried solution.

The extract solution was concentrated to 2 mL on a Kuderna-Danish evaporative concentrator fitted with a three-ball Snyder column. One mL of heptane (used as a keeper) and five mL of hexanes were added. The calibrated 10 mL pot was removed from the apparatus and fitted with a

micro Snyder column. The solution was reduced in volume to 0.8 mL, diluted to 6 mL with hexanes, and concentrated again to ~0.2 mL. This final concentrate was spiked with 10  $\mu$ L of Aldrin internal standard solution and diluted to 1.0 mL with hexanes. Samples were stored in glass vials and analyzed within 24 hours.

## CONTROLS

### Glassware Contamination

A check was made on the efficiency of DDT removal from glassware by oven baking. A clean 1 mL vial used to contain samples for analysis was filled with  $2 \times 10^{-9}$  g/ $\mu$ L p,p'-DDT/hexanes (~20 times normal sample concentration) and allowed to stand for 30 minutes. The solution was then poured out and, without further cleaning, the vial was baked at 250°C for four hours. After cooling, the vial was filled with hexanes. Analysis of the hexanes in the vial showed no trace of DDT.

### Temperature

Temperature of the VE Systems was dependent on room temperature. Room temperature was recorded twice a day. Overnight temperature fluctuations were monitored for several weeks with a 36-hour temperature recorder. Temperature of the room fluctuated 1-2°C during a 24-hour period. During the course of the VE Systems runs, the daily average room temperature ranged from 19°C to 21°C.

### Blanks

Prior to exposure to DDT, a 50 mL aliquot of each VE System solution was worked up and analyzed. These sample blanks, along with peri-

odic distilled water blanks, never showed a trace of DDT. These results would indicate:

- (1) There is no detectable background level of DDT in the isolated river organic matter or the distilled water used to make the solutions.
- (2) There is no DDT contaminant in the reagents used to adjust ionic strength and pH of the VE System solutions.
- (3) There is no DDT contaminant in the reagents used for the extraction and work-up of a sample.
- (4) There is no buildup of residual DDT over time on glassware used in extraction and work-up.

In addition, a check was made to determine if a significant amount of DDT remained on the glassware after a sample had been worked up but prior to glassware cleaning. In this case, 50 mL of hexanes were run through the same glassware after a sample had been worked up. Analysis of the resulting 1.0 mL hexanes blank concentrate showed no trace of DDT.

#### EXPERIMENTAL EXTRACTION EFFICIENCY

Due to the long period of time over which the VE solutions are sampled, it was important to determine if a long contact time between DDT and the VE solution would affect the extraction efficiency. This concern was based on the possibility that the DDT might be slowly sorbed to glass or complexed by DOM in such a fashion as to affect subsequent extraction. Therefore, extraction efficiencies were determined for a long-term situation in addition to the standard (immediate) recovery.

### Immediate Extraction Efficiency

An aqueous solution was spiked with a DDT/acetone solution to give a DDT/aqueous concentration of  $\sim 1.6$  ppb. This solution was extracted and worked up as usual, yielding a one mL analysis sample containing an internal standard.

A spike standard was made by adding the same amount of the previously-described DDT/acetone spike solution, and the internal standard to one mL of hexanes. This solution was then analyzed directly to give the standard against which the aqueous solution work-up was compared.

More specifically, 50 mL of distilled water or aqueous DOM solution were spiked with 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of  $8 \times 10^{-9}$  g/ $\mu\text{L}$  p,p'-DDT/acetone solution. This spiked sample was extracted and worked up as usual (which included the addition of 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of  $4 \times 10^{-9}$  g/ $\mu\text{L}$  aldrin/hexanes internal standard). The spike standard consisted of 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of  $8 \times 10^{-9}$  g/ $\mu\text{L}$  p,p'-DDT/acetone and 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of  $4 \times 10^{-9}$  g/ $\mu\text{L}$  aldrin/hexanes added to one mL of hexanes. The ratio of the GLC DDT peak area to the aldrin peak area for the worked-up sample was compared to the ratio of peak areas for the spike standard. The percent recovery was calculated from the peak ratios. Recovery studies were done throughout this work and consistently showed recoveries of 90% or higher. The following data were obtained under the same extraction and work-up methods described previously.

#### IMMEDIATE EXTRACTION EFFICIENCY

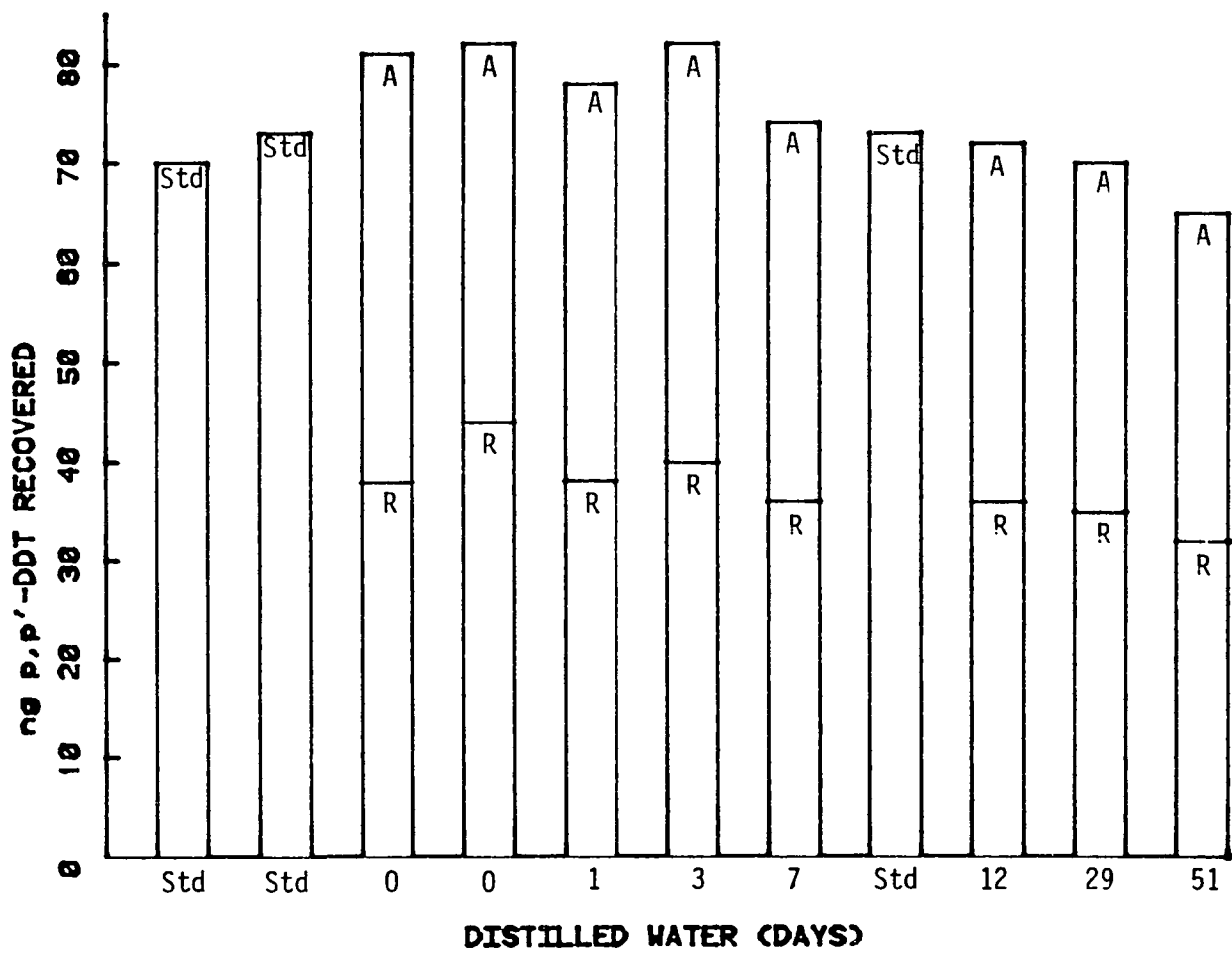
Sample	GLC Peak Area Ratio p,p'-DDT/Aldrin	Average	Recovery
*DOM Soln.	1.29, 1.30, 1.19, 1.23	$1.25 \pm 0.05$	$102 \pm 4\%$
H <sub>2</sub> O #1	1.16, 1.18, 1.28, 1.08	$1.17 \pm 0.06$	$95 \pm 5\%$
H <sub>2</sub> O #2	1.19, 1.11, 1.20, 1.18		

Spike Std. #1	1.21,1.24,1.26	1.23 ± 0.05
Spike Std. #2	1.20,1.21,1.3.,1.16	
*DOM Soln.:	66 mg/L, pH 7.4	

#### LONG-TERM EXTRACTION EFFICIENCY

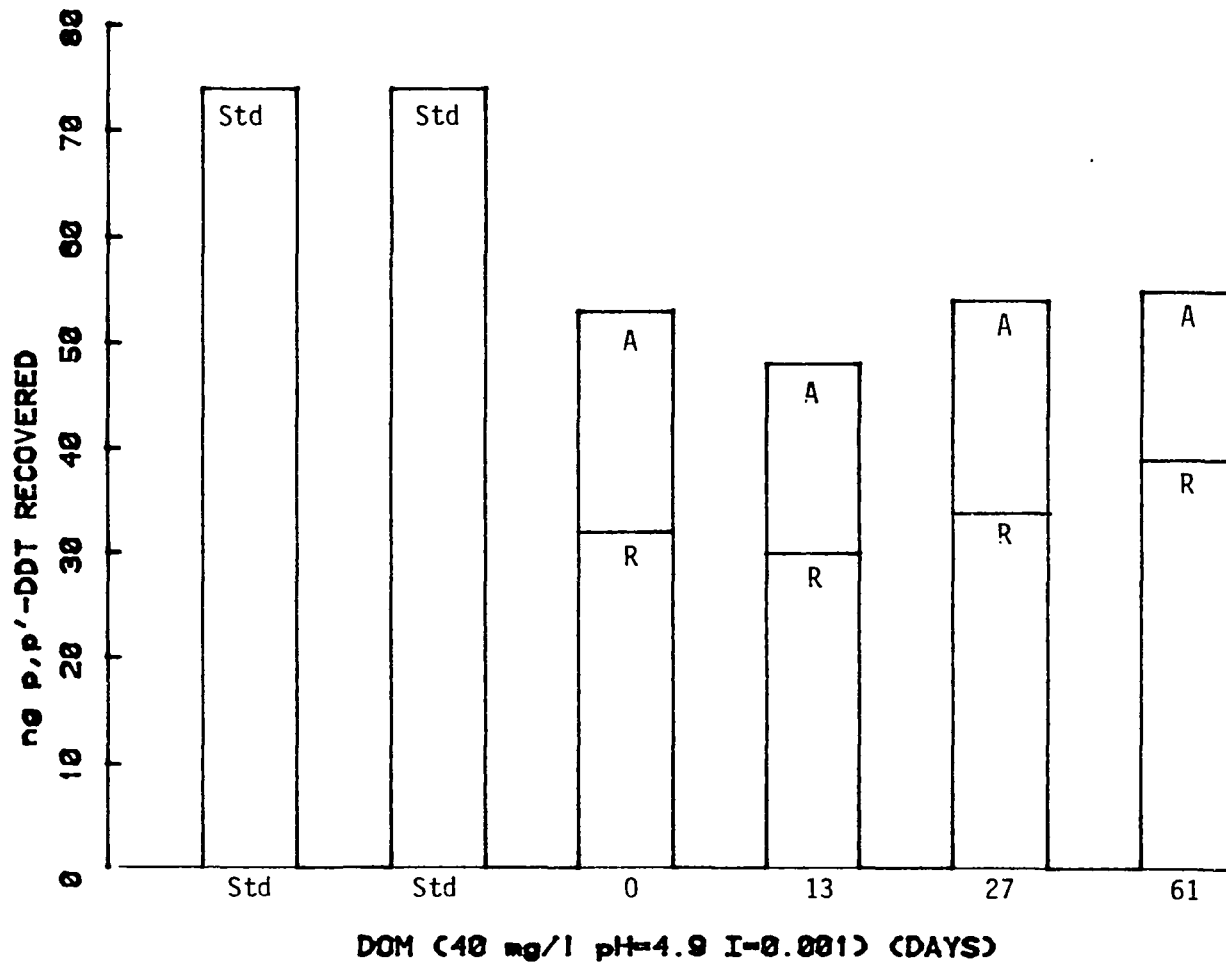
Extraction recovery as a function of elapsed time between spiking of an aqueous solution and extraction was investigated. Identical spiked solutions of 0.8 ppb DDT were prepared in a number of borosilicate bottles. At various intervals of time the contents of a bottle would be extracted and worked up, yielding a one mL analysis sample containing an internal standard. A spike standard was made by adding the same amount of spike and the internal standard to one mL of hexanes. This solution was then analyzed directly to give the standard against which the aqueous solution work-up was compared.

More specifically, 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of  $8 \times 10^{-9}$  g/ $\mu\text{L}$  p,p'-DDT/acetone were added to 100 mL of distilled water or aqueous solution (0.8 ppb DDT) in eight 125 mL borosilicate bottles with glass stoppers. The bottles were kept sheltered from the light until they were analysed. During analysis, one 50 mL aliquot was removed via a volumetric pipet. This aliquot and  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  rinses of the pipet were combined and worked up as one sample. The 50 mL of solution remaining in the bottle were removed and combined with  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  bottle rinses and worked up as a second sample. A third sample consisted of 100 mL of hexanes that were allowed to stand in the rinsed bottle for 2-3 hours. During work-up, all samples received 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of  $4 \times 10^{-9}$  g/ $\mu\text{L}$  aldrin/hexanes as an internal standard. The spike standard consisted of 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of  $8 \times 10^{-9}$  g/ $\mu\text{L}$  p,p'-DDT/acetone and 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of  $4 \times 10^{-9}$  g/ $\mu\text{L}$  aldrin/hexanes added to one mL of hexanes. The amount of DDT in the worked-up sample was compared to the amount of DDT in the spike standard. Results are presented in Figures 3-5.



A Aliquot  
 R Remaining solution  
 (Hexanes soak solutions showed no trace of DDT)

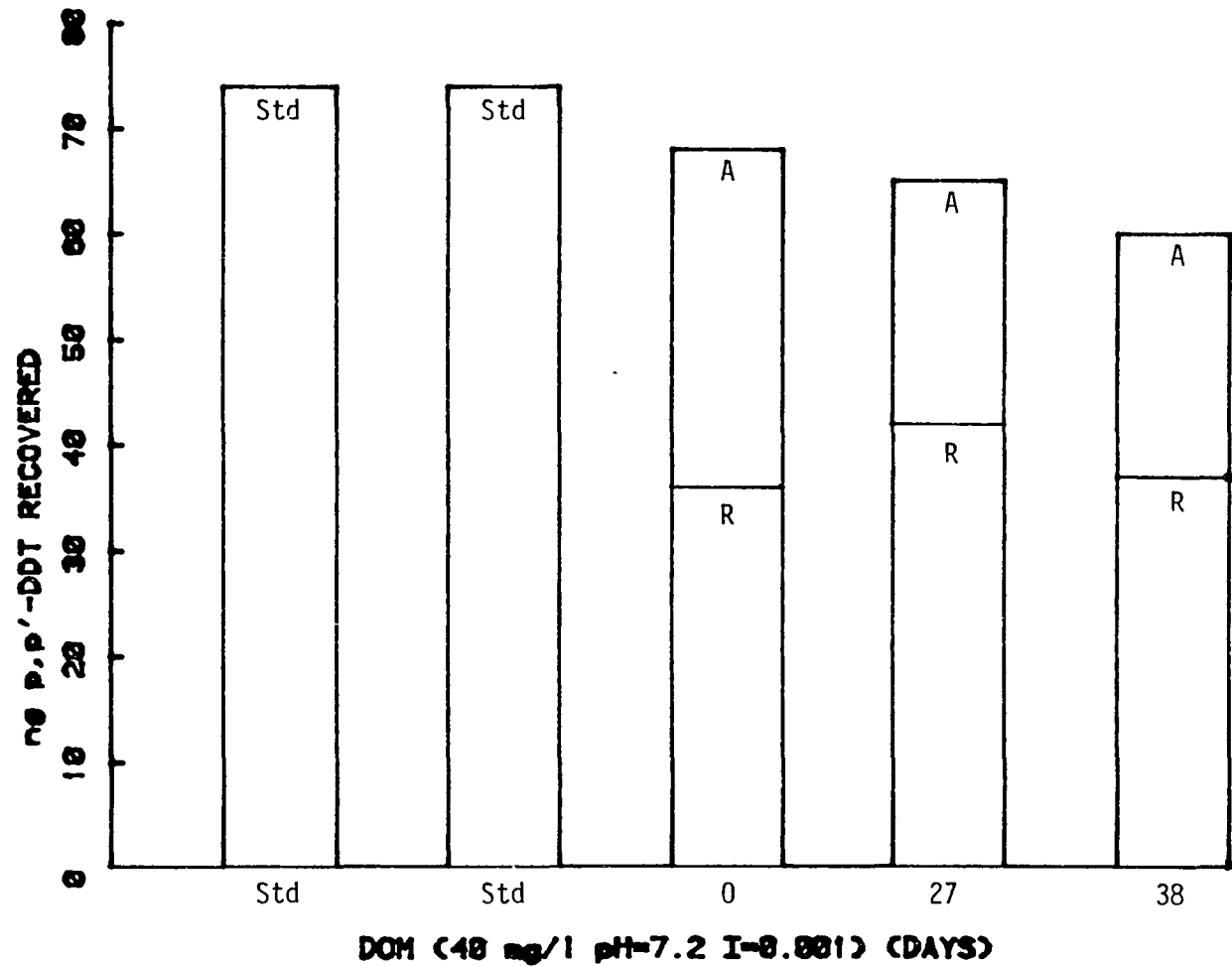
Figure 3. Long-term recovery.



A Aliquot (Hexanes soak solutions showed no trace of DDT)  
 R Remaining solution

Figure 4. Long-term recovery.





A Aliquot (Hexanes soak solutions showed no trace of DDT)  
 R Remaining solution

Figure 5. Long-term recovery.

### Experimental Recovery Summary

Immediate Extraction. Recoveries were consistently 90% or better.

Long-Term Extraction. Distilled water solutions showed a drop in recoverable DDT of about 20% over 50 days. There was no detectable sorption of DDT to the glass walls of the sample bottle during this period.

DOM solutions showed a drop in total recoverable DDT of 10% or less over 38 and 61 days. Between 10 and 20 percent of the added DDT was sorbed to the borosilicate walls of the DOM solution bottles. The sorbed DDT was completely removed by  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  rinses.

Considerations. While the recovery studies indicated that there may be some loss in recovery over time for static systems, it must be kept in mind that the vapor equilibrium systems used to determine DDT solubility were not static, but dynamic systems. The VE systems employed a constant flux of DDT entering the solution from the vapor phase. Since the time-dependent loss in recovery was relatively small for the static systems, it is safe to assume that this loss would not have a significant effect on the DDT solubilities determined by the VE systems.

## CHAPTER III

### RESULTS

Electron capture - gas chromatography was the analytical method used to measure concentrations of DDT, and calibration data for this instrument will be presented. The fact that the VE systems generated solubility data for two DDT isomers is discussed, and GLC-mass spectral data confirming the identities of the isomers are presented.

The VE systems require extended periods of time to generate solubility data. Because of this large time factor, it was not practicable to repeat all of the experiments after the VE system operation procedures were optimized. For this reason, the solubility data generated by the distilled water systems reflect several procedural modifications in operation of the VE systems. As these modifications changed the rate at which the solution concentration of DDT increased, each system exhibited a different rate of DDT increase, depending on when the modification was made. As correct interpretation of the distilled water solubility data requires an understanding of these operational differences between the VE systems, the procedural modifications will be discussed in some detail prior to the presentation of the data. In contrast, a number of DOM systems were started after these modifications were instituted. The DOM data presented was generated by VE systems that were identical in their modes of operation.

The concentration of DOM and the pH of the DOM VE solutions were monitored, and the results are presented following the solubility data. Due to the long periods of time the VE systems were in operation, the effect of microorganisms in the systems was of some concern. Results of plate counts and microscopic examination of the DOM and distilled water VE solutions are summarized.

With regard to the fate of DDT within the VE system, an investigation of biological and chemical degradation of the compound as well as its sorption to glass was undertaken and the results presented.

#### ELECTRON CAPTURE - GAS CHROMATOGRAPH CALIBRATION

Aldrin was used as an internal standard for GLC analysis. An addition of 10.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of a  $4 \times 10^{-9}$  g/ $\mu\text{L}$  solution of aldrin in hexanes was made to each sample (volume of 1.0 mL) to give an analysis concentration of  $4 \times 10^{-11}$  g/ $\mu\text{L}$ .

GLC calibration standards consisted of hexanes solutions of p,p'-DDE, o,p'-DDT and p,p'-DDT over a range of concentrations and aldrin at a constant concentration. The DDE and DDT isomers ranged from  $1 \times 10^{-11}$  g/ $\mu\text{L}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-9}$  g/ $\mu\text{L}$  and represented final sample concentrations that would result from the work-up of solution concentrations of 0.2 ppb to 20 ppb. The aldrin concentration in these standards was  $4 \times 10^{-11}$  g/ $\mu\text{L}$ .

Multiple injections of 5.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of these standards were made. The peak area to aldrin peak area ratio for each of the three compounds was averaged for each standard. For each compound of interest (p,p'-DDE, o,p'-DDT, and p,p'-DDT), a linear regression analysis of the peak area/aldrin area ratio versus concentration was done to find the line of best fit. The resulting lines are shown in Figure 6. For p,p'-DDE, o,p'-DDT

and p,p'-DDT the respective correlation coefficients of the line of best fit were 0.9955, 0.9995 and 0.9993. The equations describing these lines are:

$$p,p'\text{-DDE (g/}\mu\text{L} \times 10^{-11}) = [4.7086 (\text{area/aldrin}) - 0.40513] \times 10^{-11}$$

$$o,p'\text{-DDT (g/}\mu\text{L} \times 10^{-11}) = [6.6591 (\text{area/aldrin}) + 0.19135] \times 10^{-11}$$

$$p,p'\text{-DDT (g/}\mu\text{L} \times 10^{-11}) = [5.3668 (\text{area/aldrin}) + 0.25824] \times 10^{-11}$$

Detection limits (at the 95% confidence level) calculated from this calibration are, in terms of original sample concentration:

<u>Isomer</u>	<u>Detection Limits</u>
o,p'-DDT	0.05 ppb
p,p' DDT	0.09 ppb

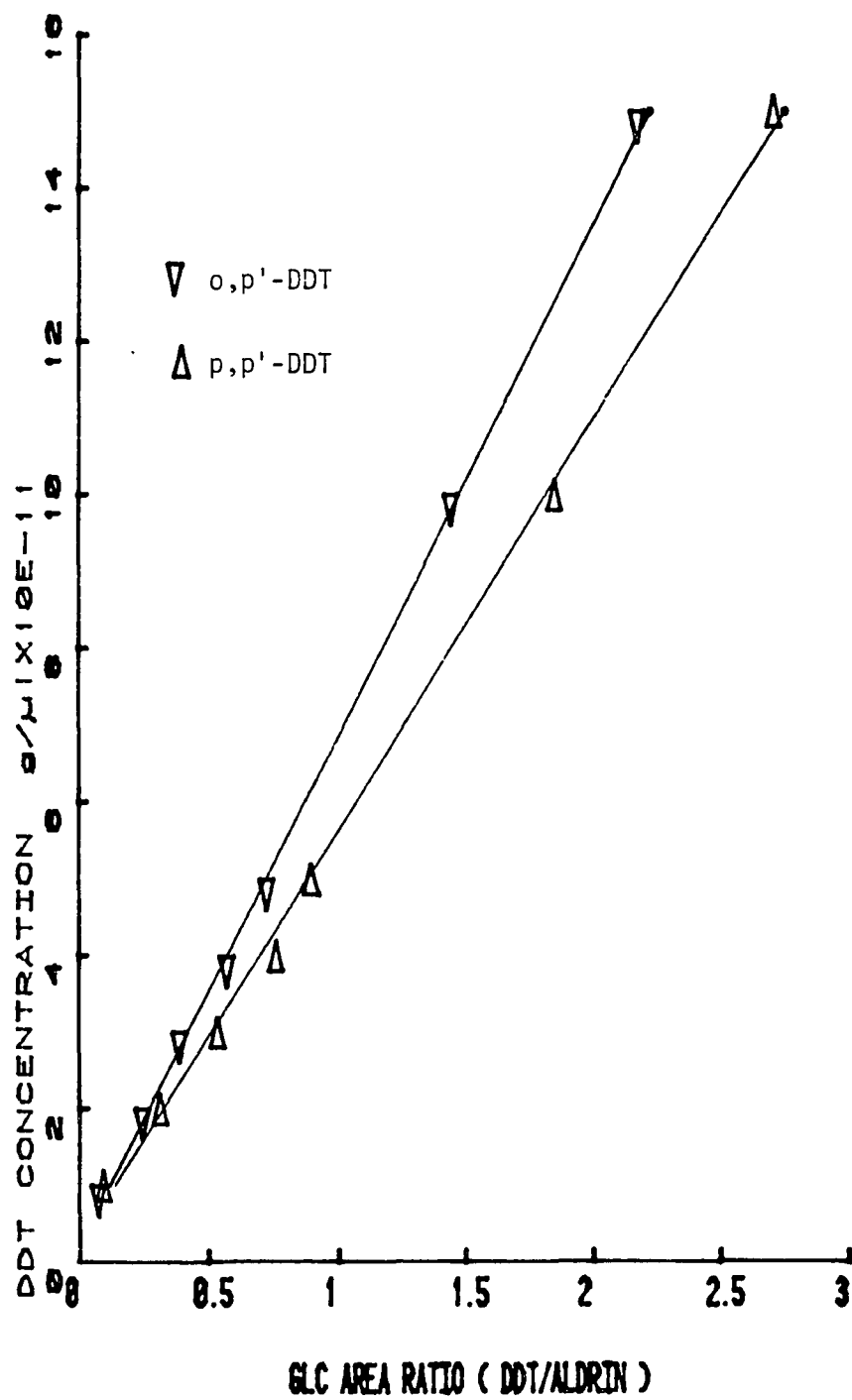


Figure 6. GLC calibration.

## SOLUBILITY DATA: TWO COMPOUNDS

Each VE system generated solubility data for both o,p'-DDT and p,p'-DDT. Data for two isomers were generated due to the presence of an o,p'-DDT contaminant in the p,p'-DDT coated on the glass beads of each system. Contamination of the p,p'-DDT included about one percent of o,p'-DDT as well as a lesser amount of p,p'-DDE. All three isomers volatilized from the beads and were detected in the VE system solutions. Identities of the three compounds in the solutions were assigned by correlation of GLC retention times with known standards and with the solid material coated on the beads. The assigned identities of o,p'-DDT and p,p'-DDT in the VE solutions were confirmed by GLC/Mass Spectrometry analysis (Figures 7-12). The assignment of p,p'-DDE to the third compound was not confirmed by GLC/Mass Spectrometry due to an insufficient quantity of this compound in the sample analyzed.

## GLC-MASS SPECTROMETRY

Negative ion chemical ionization (NICI) GLC - mass spectrometry was performed on DDT isomers standard solutions (p,p'-DDE, o,p'-DDT and p,p'-DDT) (Figures 7, 9, 11) and on the extract of a distilled water VE system solution (49 days, 600 mL) (Figures 8, 10, 12). The mass spectra are presented for the compounds of the VE solution sample possessing the same GLC retention time as the o,p'-DDT and p,p'-DDT standards. The excellent agreement between the mass spectra of the two standards and the corresponding VE solution compounds (with the corresponding GLC retention times) establishes positive identification.

A greater degree of fragmentation of the molecular ion occurred than has been reported for NICI (196) and NI (negative ion ionization) (197). This is most probably due to differences in operating parameters. The types of fragmentation observed have been reported (196-198). When methane is the reagent gas, fragmentation processes include the nucleophilic displacement of chlorine atoms by a negative oxygen atom ( $O^-$ ) (198). The oxygen atom arises from the presence of water, a contaminant of the methane.



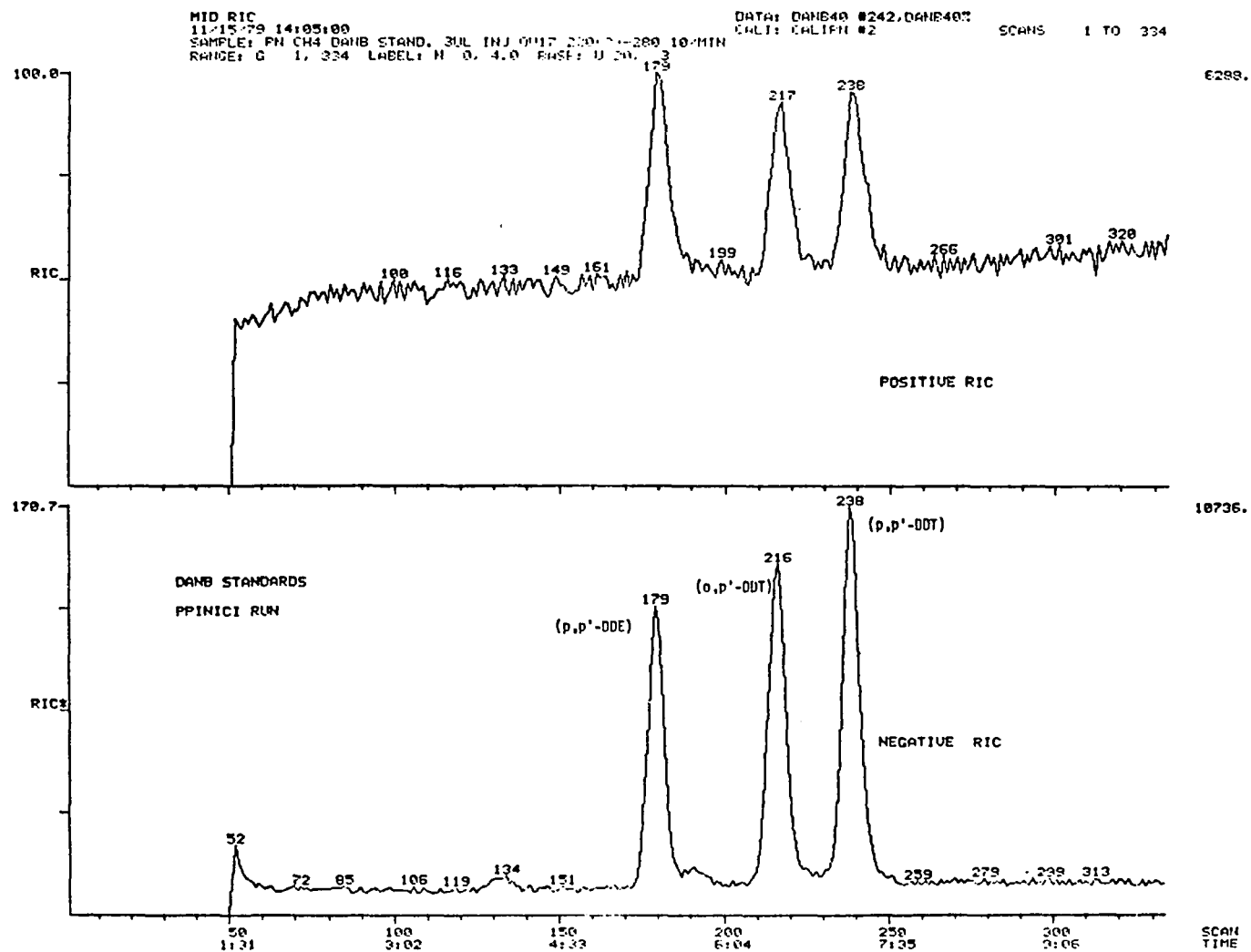


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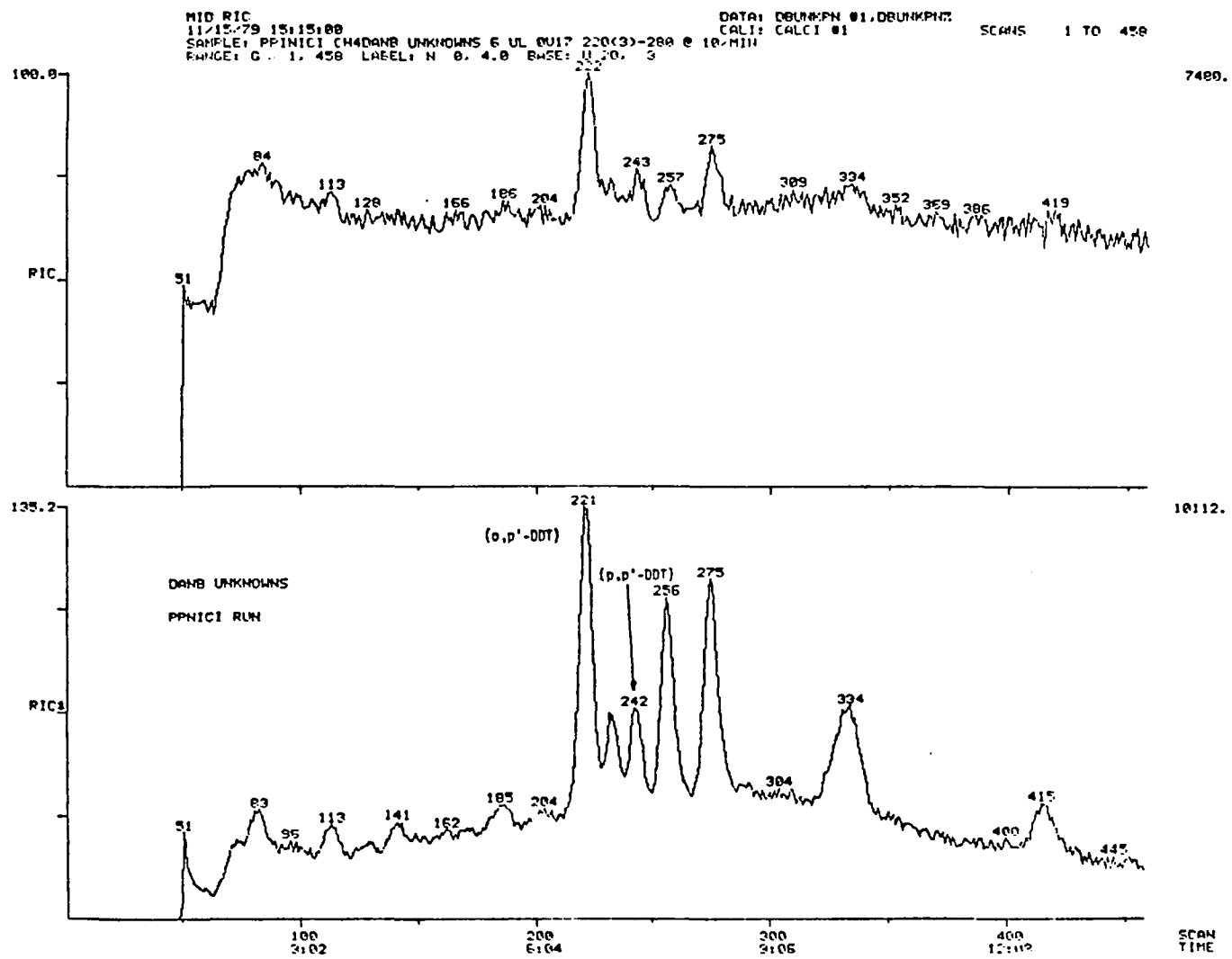


Figure 8. GLC/mass spec. data.

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CALI: CALIPH #2

BASE M·E: 246  
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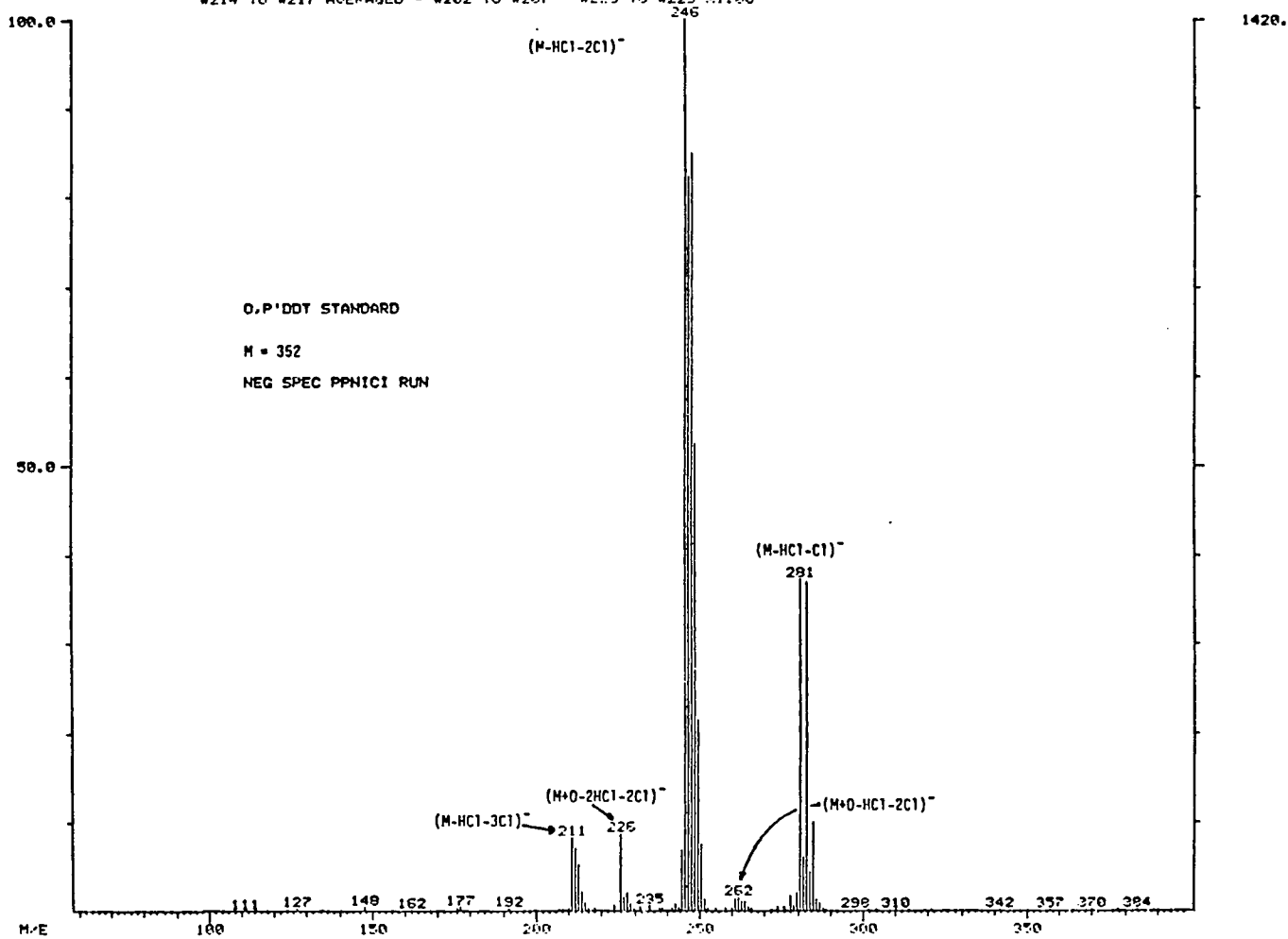


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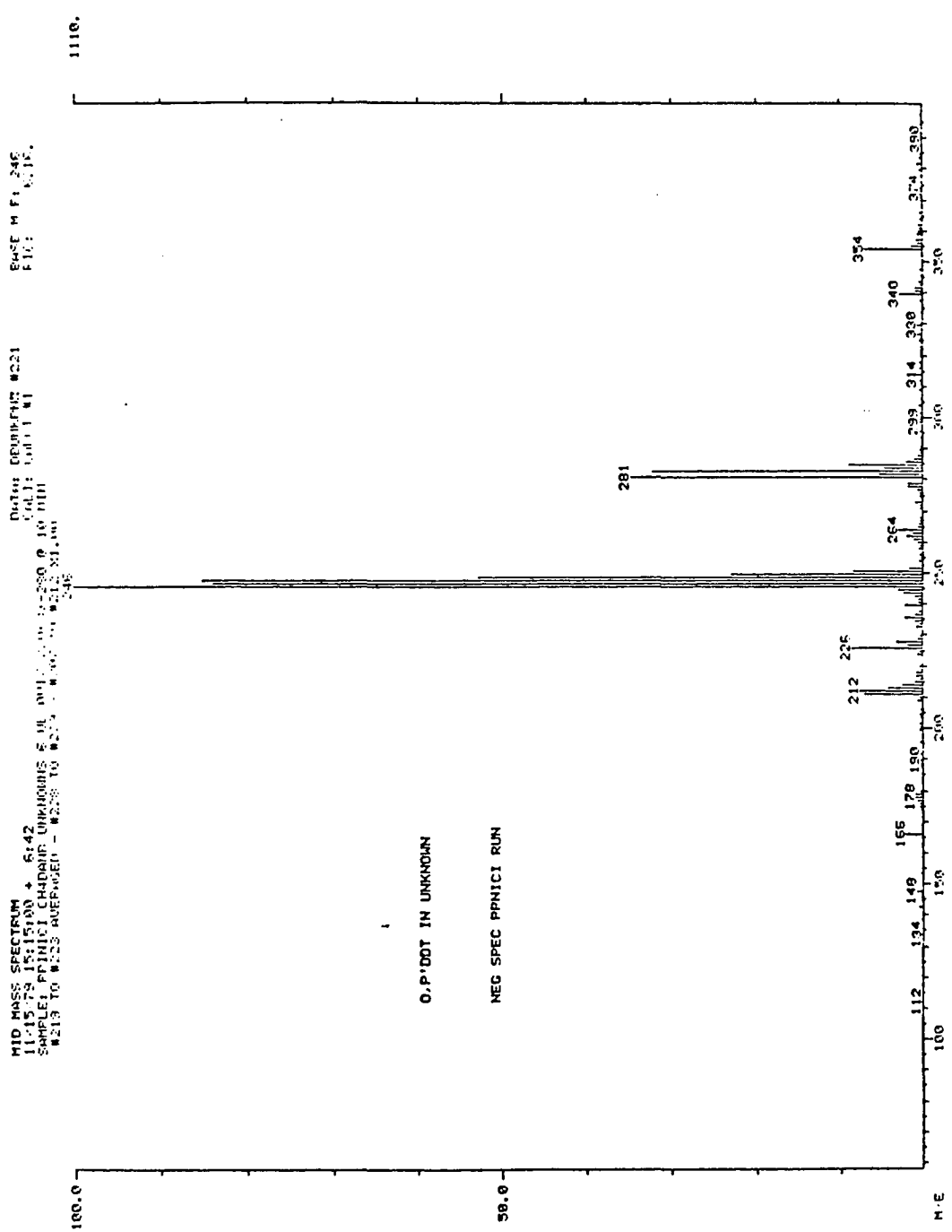


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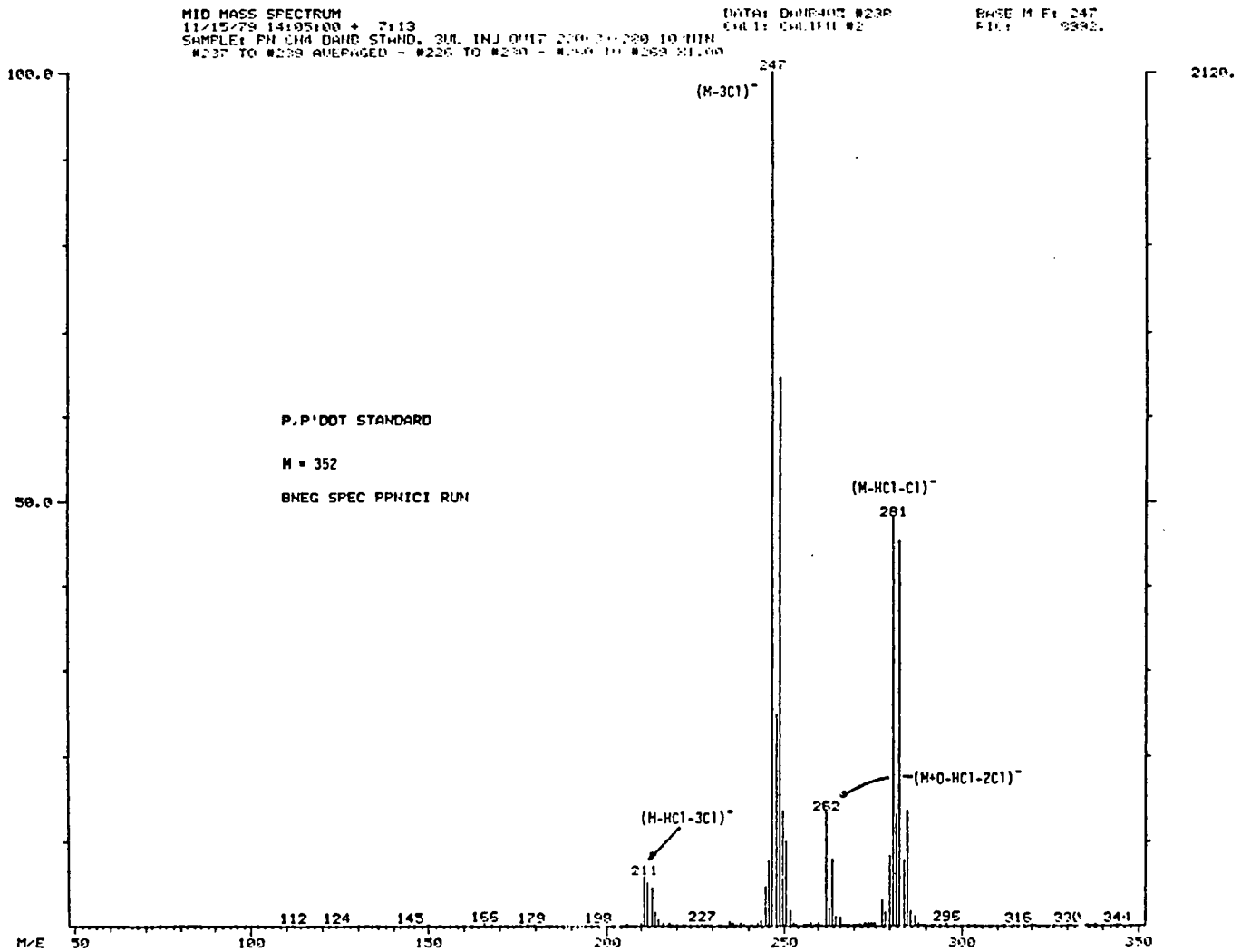


Figure 11. GLC/mass spec. data.

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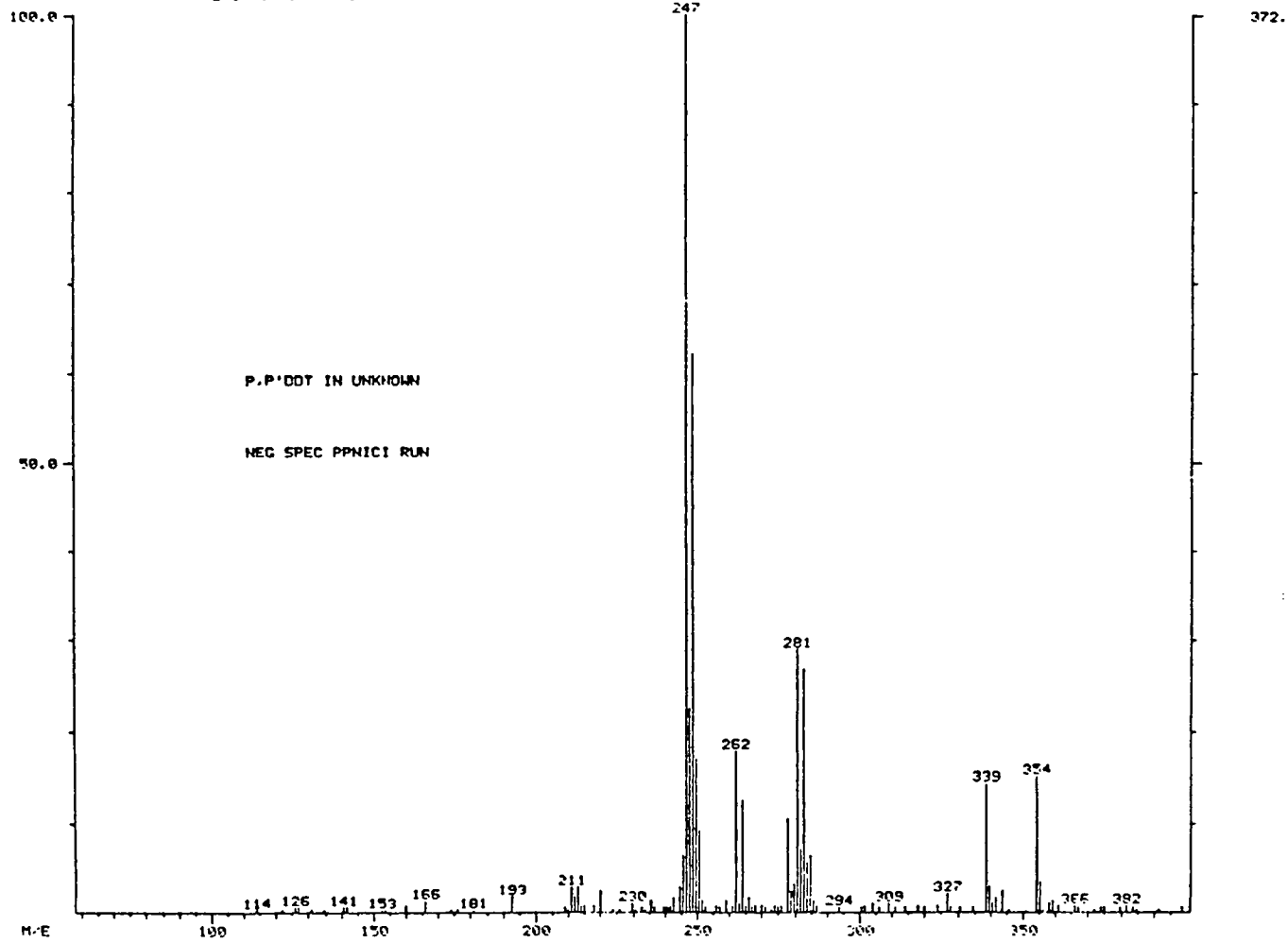
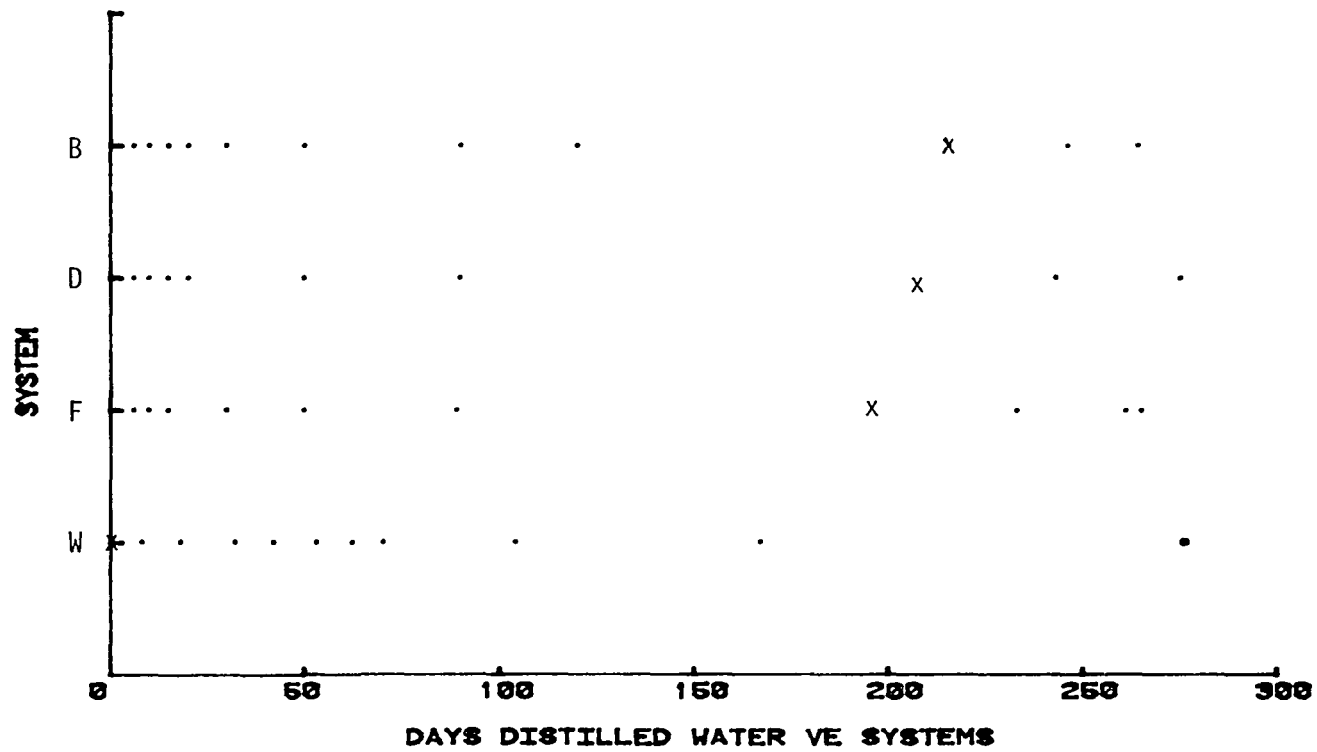


Figure 12. GLC/mass spec. data.

## DDT/WATER SOLUBILITY

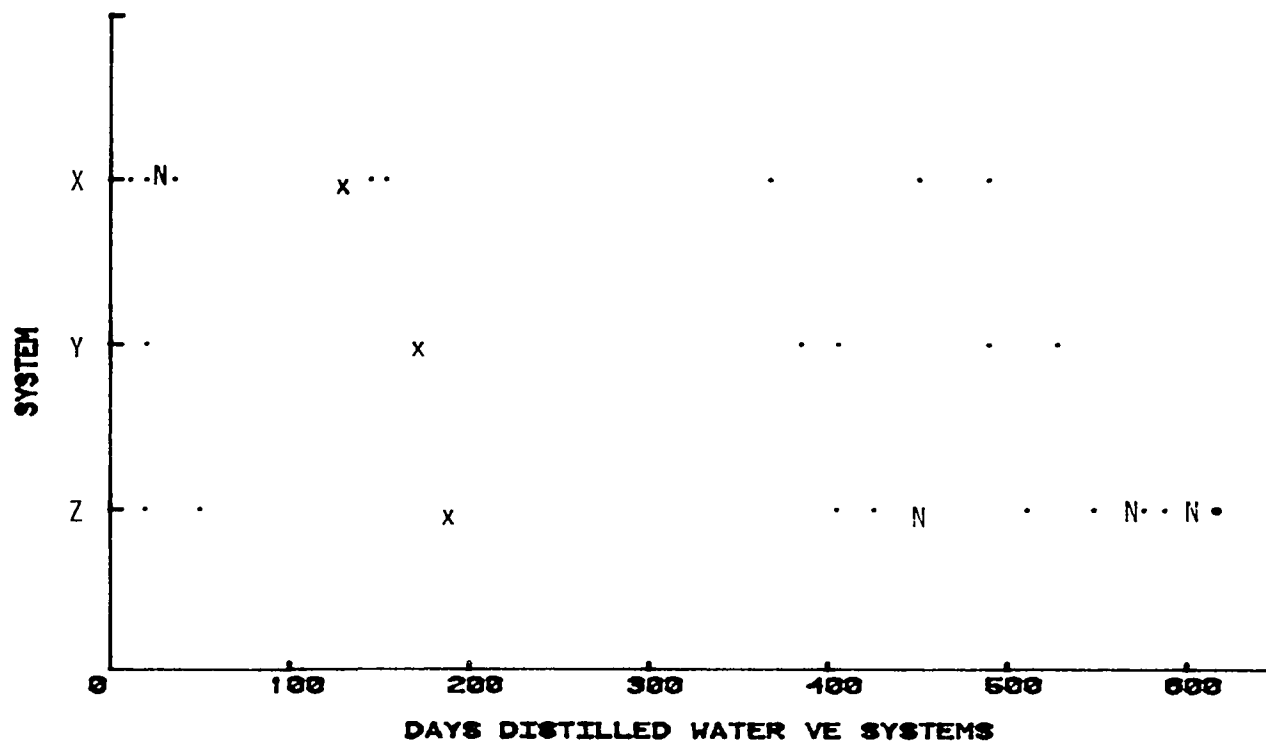
DDT solubility data was obtained for a number of different distilled water VE systems. Some solutions were pH and ionic strength-adjusted, some were ionic strength-adjusted only, and others were unadjusted. Correct interpretation of the distilled water solubility data requires an understanding of the operational differences between the distilled water VE systems. Changes in operating procedures were made at different times during the lifetime of each VE system. No two systems have the same history of operational procedures. A record of operation (over time) for each system is presented in Figures 13 and 14. As this information is important to any consideration of the data, these differences in operation between the VE systems will be reviewed in some detail.



· Determined concentration of DDT isomers  
 x DDT-bead exchange initiated

Figure 13. H<sub>2</sub>O VE operation record.





· Determined concentration of DDT isomers  
 x DDT-based exchange initiated  
 N New DDT-coated beads introduced

Figure 14. H<sub>2</sub>O VE operation record.

With one exception (W VE system), changes were made in the distilled water systems after they had been running for 100 to 200 days. Initially, the original ten DDT-coated glass beads were never removed from their respective VE flasks. This procedure was modified because it was found that the beads became coated with water vapor, slowing the rate of DDT vaporization from the bead surface. To provide a dry surface of DDT, the beads in the VE systems were removed and replaced with freshly coated, dry beads. The removed beads were allowed to dry, then returned to the flask before the fresh set of beads became too wet. The two sets of beads were used in rotation; one set was in the VE flask while the other set was being dried. Once initiated, this exchange of beads was performed at two-day intervals. As this modification increased the rate of vaporization, hence equilibration, the concentration of DDT in solution increased at different rates in each system, depending on when DDT bead exchange was initiated. This may be seen by comparing a plot of [DDT] vs. time for two VE systems (Figures 15 and 16). Bead exchange was started after the F system had been running 196 days (Figure 15). In contrast, the W VE system (Figure 16) operated with DDT bead exchange from day zero. While both systems reached the same final equilibrium concentration of p,p'-DDT, the kinetics of equilibrium attainment were quite different.

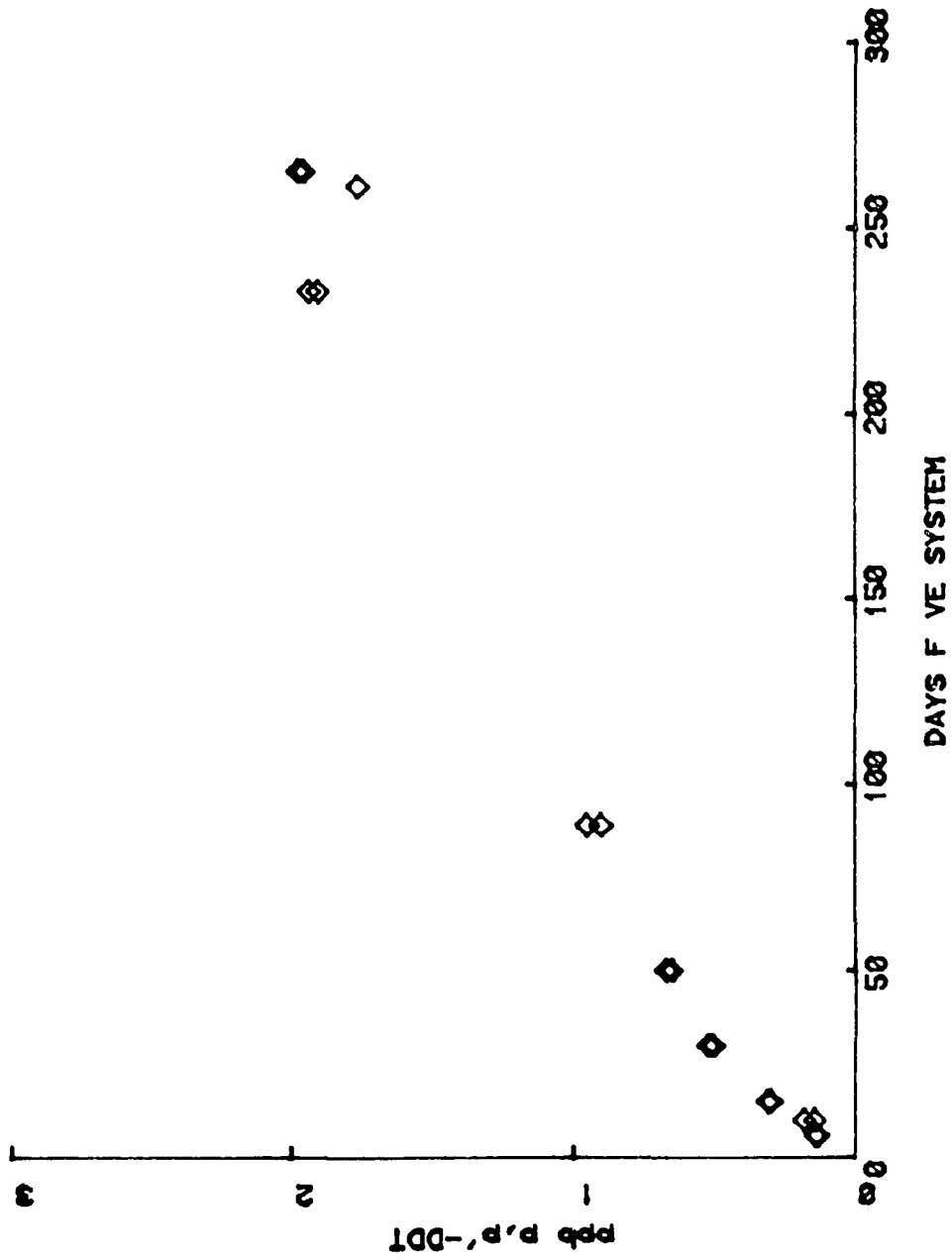


Figure 15. F VE system.

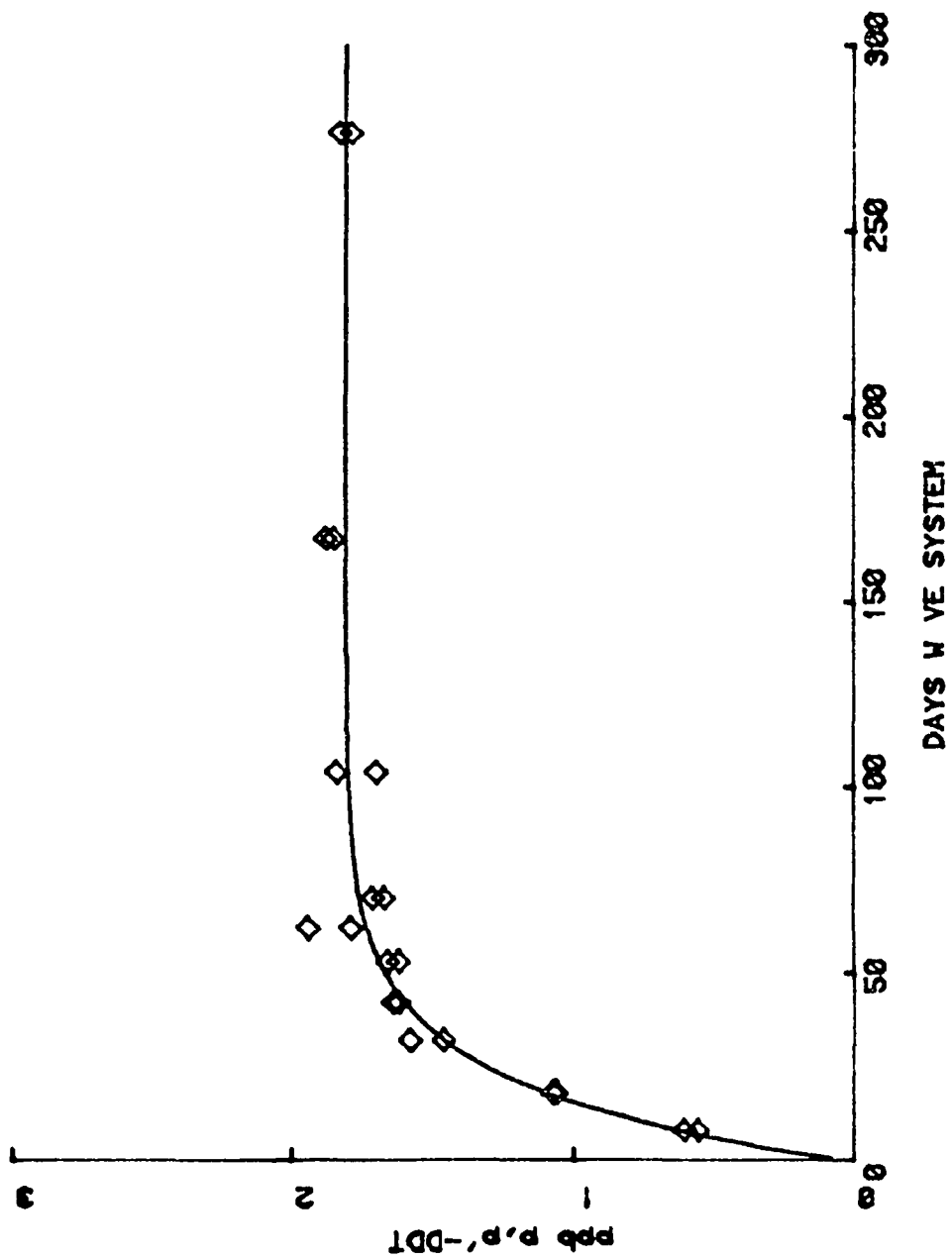


Figure 16. W VE system.

It was observed that when the DDT beads were removed from a VE system and the flask was stoppered, the concentrations of the two DDT isomers (o,p'-DDT and p,p'-DDT) in the solution decreased with time. Explanations for the DDT loss are examined in the Discussion Chapter. In addition, VE solutions showed a loss of DDT over time with continued exposure to the same set of 20 beads. As long as the coated beads supplied an adequate input of vaporized DDT, solution concentrations of the isomers would increase until equilibrium was established. With continued exposure, however, the beads lost enough of their original coating that an adequate input of vaporized DDT was not maintained. At this point, continued use of the same beads resulted in a decreasing solution DDT concentration.

The o,p'-DDT isomer was particularly subject to solution concentration decline due to depletion of DDT on the beads. This isomer constituted only 1% of the DDT in the bead coating, but has a vapor pressure more than seven times greater than p,p'-DDT (144, 147) and a solubility of more than four times the other isomer (151).

Actually, 20 DDT beads used in continuous rotation did not supply enough o,p'-DDT to establish equilibrium of this isomer in the VE systems. For these systems, a plot of the o,p'-isomer concentration vs. time does not reach and maintain an equilibrium concentration (Figures 17 and 18). In order to establish an equilibrium concentration of o,p'-DDT in distilled water, the Z VE system was further modified. For the Z system, a set of 20 freshly coated DDT beads was introduced periodically (at 449, 568 and 602 days). A plot of both DDT isomer concentrations vs. time for the Z VE system indicates that equilibrium was established for both compounds (Figure 19).

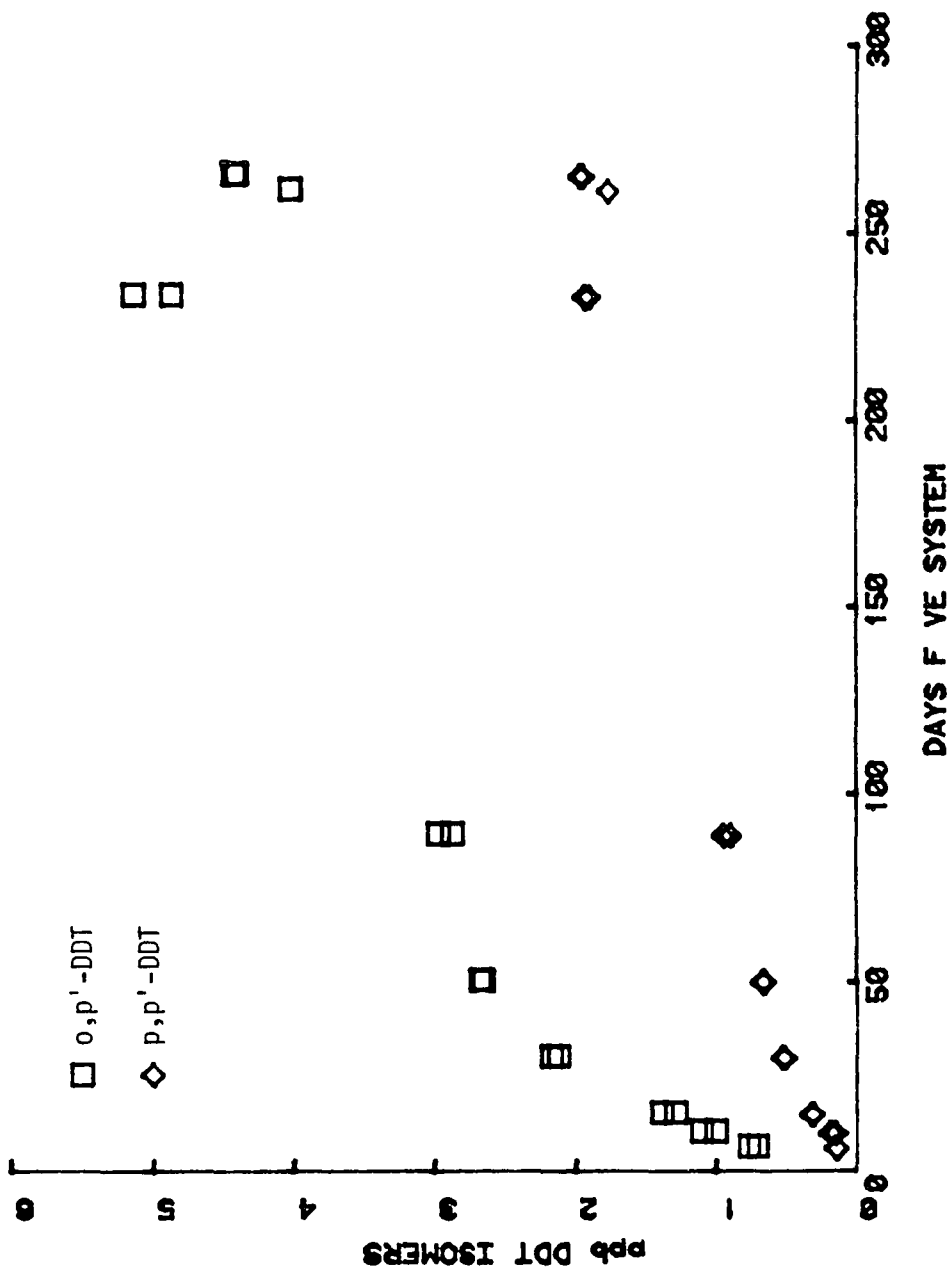


Figure 17. F VE system.

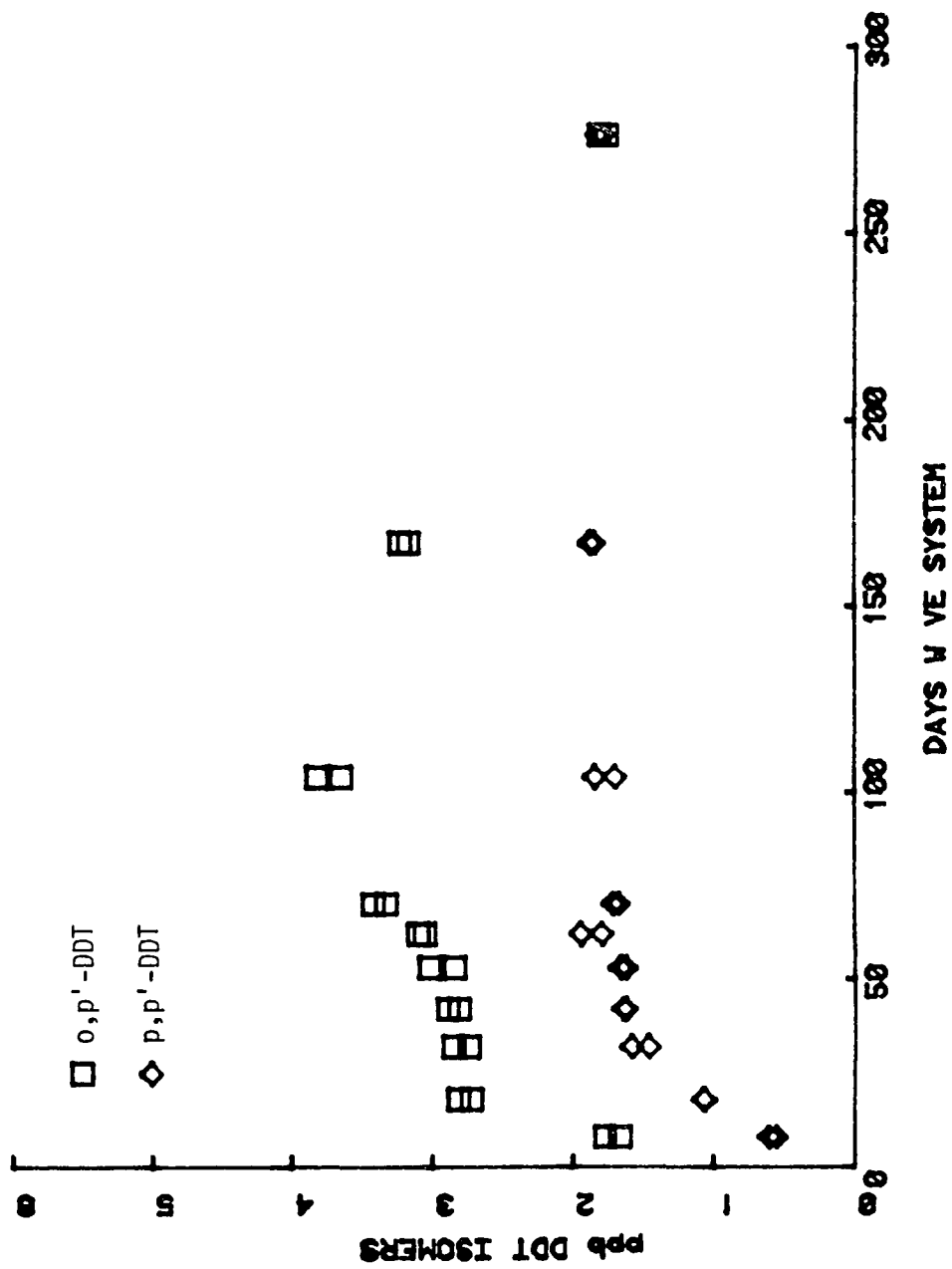


Figure 18. W VE system.

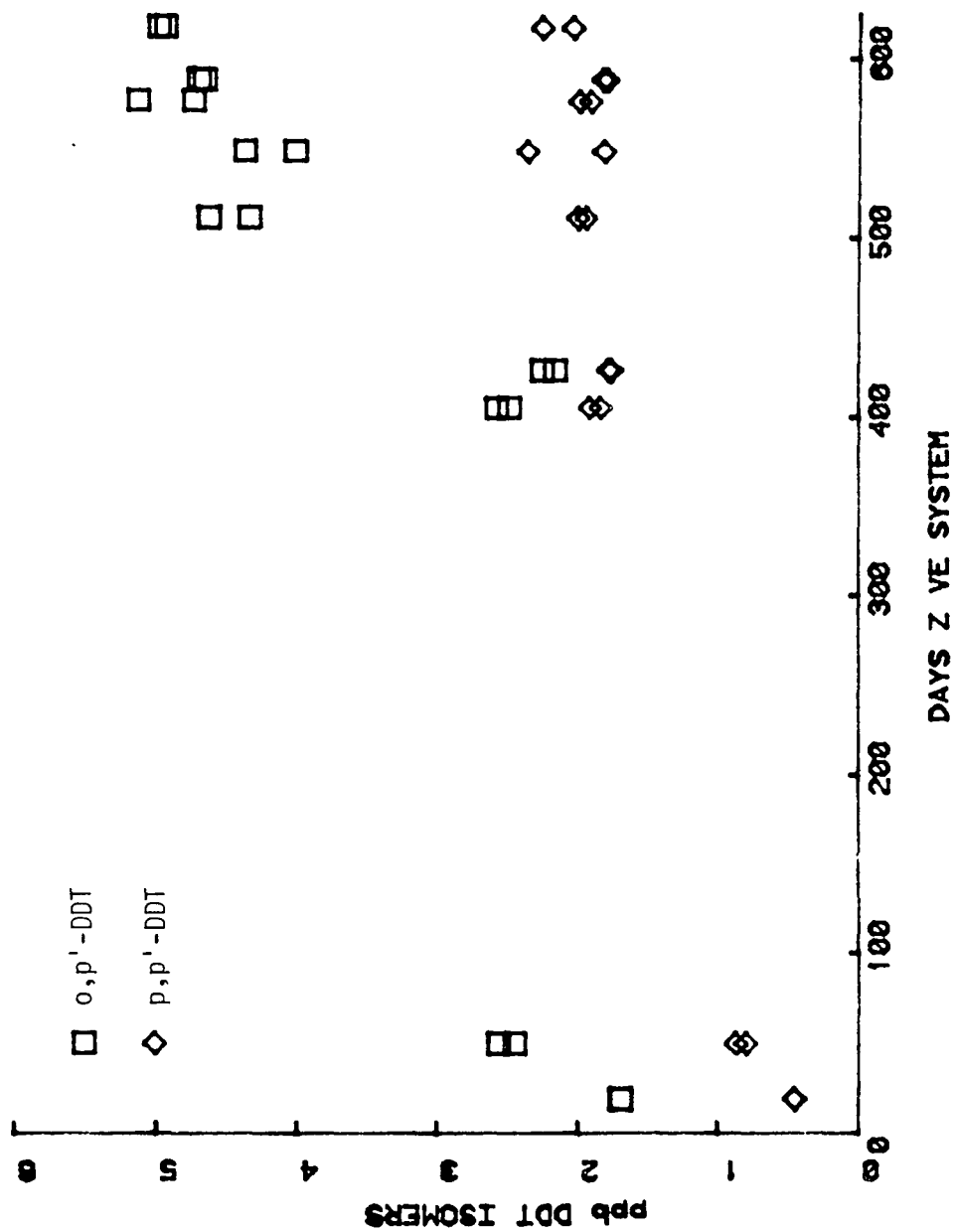


Figure 19. Z VE system.



DDT/Water Solubility Summary

Plots of DDT isomer concentrations vs. time for distilled water VE systems will not be presented, as the solution DDT concentration increased at different rates for each system, depending on when bead exchange was initiated. Thus, equilibrium concentrations for these systems, rather than plots, are presented in Table III.

TABLE III

DDT/H<sub>2</sub>O SOLUBILITYp,p'-DDT

<u>system</u>	<u>pH</u>	<u>ionic strength</u>	<u>days</u>	<u>number of samples</u>	<u>*concentration</u>
B	~7	0.001 M	246 to 264	4	1.74 ± .01 ppb
D	~9	0.001 M	243 to 275	4	2.20 ± .03 ppb
F	~5	0.001 M	233 to 265	4	1.94 ± .03 ppb
W	unadj	unadj	62 to 276	10	1.82 ± .01 ppb
X	unadj	unadj	145 to 451	8	1.78 ± .01 ppb
Y	unadj	unadj	385 to 490	6	1.89 ± .01 ppb
Z	unadj	0.001 M	405 to 617	14	$\frac{1.97 \pm .01 \text{ ppb}}{**1.87 \pm .01 \text{ ppb}}$

o,p'-DDT

<u>system</u>	<u>pH</u>	<u>ionic strength</u>	<u>days</u>	<u>number of samples</u>	<u>*concentration</u>
Z	unadj	0.001 M	576 to 617	6	4.88 ± .03 ppb

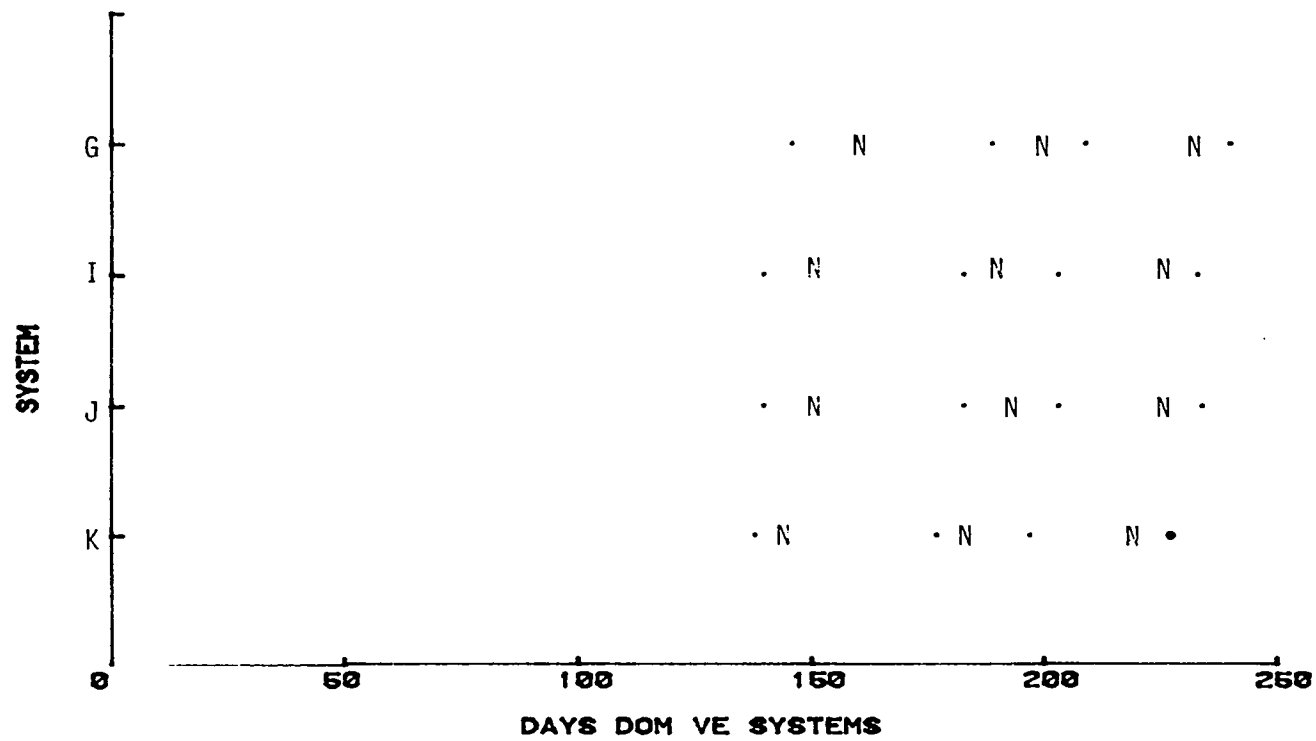
\*concentration is expressed as the mean ± the standard error of the mean

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## DDT/DOM SOLUBILITY

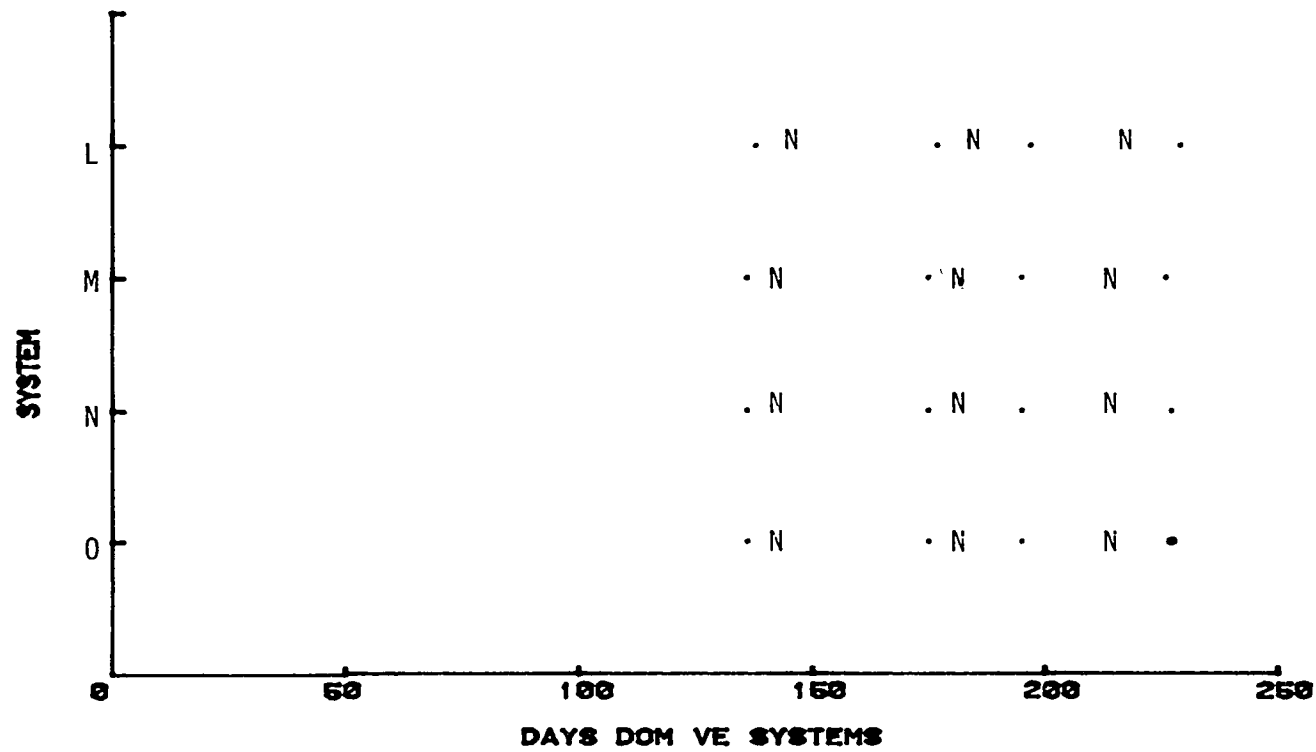
The DOM solutions were initially adjusted to a pH of 5, 7, or 9 and ionic strengths of 0.001 M or 0.01 M. From day zero, the ten DDT-coated glass beads in each VE flask were cycled with a set of dry DDT-coated beads at two-day intervals. A set of twenty beads with a fresh DDT coating was introduced to each VE system at approximately 145, 180 and 215 days. The freshly coated beads were introduced to insure an adequate source for vaporization of the two DDT isomers (o,p'-DDT and p,p'-DDT). A record of operation (over time) for each system is presented in Figures 20-22.

The initial adjustment parameters for the DOM solutions in the VE systems are given in Table IV.



• Determined concentrations of DDT isomers  
 N New DDT-coated beads introduced

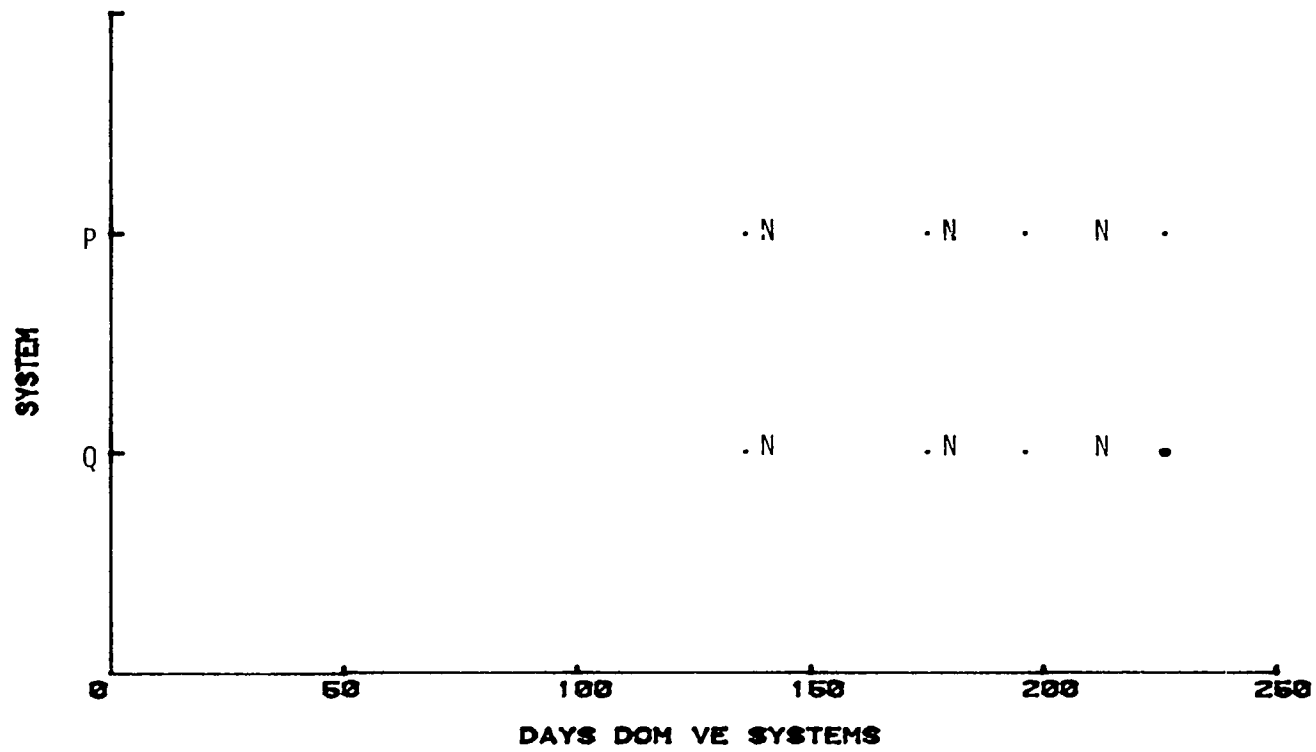
Figure 20. DOM VE operation record.



• Determined concentrations of DDT isomers

N New DDT-coated beads introduced

Figure 21. DOM VE operation record.



• Determined concentrations of DDT isomers  
 N New DDT-coated beads introduced

Figure 22. DOM VE operation record.

TABLE IV

DOM SOLUTIONS INITIAL  
ADJUSTMENT PARAMETERS

system	pH	ionic strength	DOM
G	7.0	0.001 M	64 mg/L
I	9.0	0.01 M	80 mg/L
J	7.0	0.01 M	79 mg/L
K	5.0	0.001 M	76 mg/L
L	5.0	0.01 M	74 mg/L
M	5.0	0.001 M	48 mg/L
N	9.0	0.001 M	50 mg/L
O	5.0	0.001 M	24 mg/L
P	7.0	0.01 M	55 mg/L
Q	7.0	0.01 M	27 mg/L

The concentrations of o,p'-DDT and p,p'-DDT in the DOM VE solutions are plotted versus time in Figures 23-32.

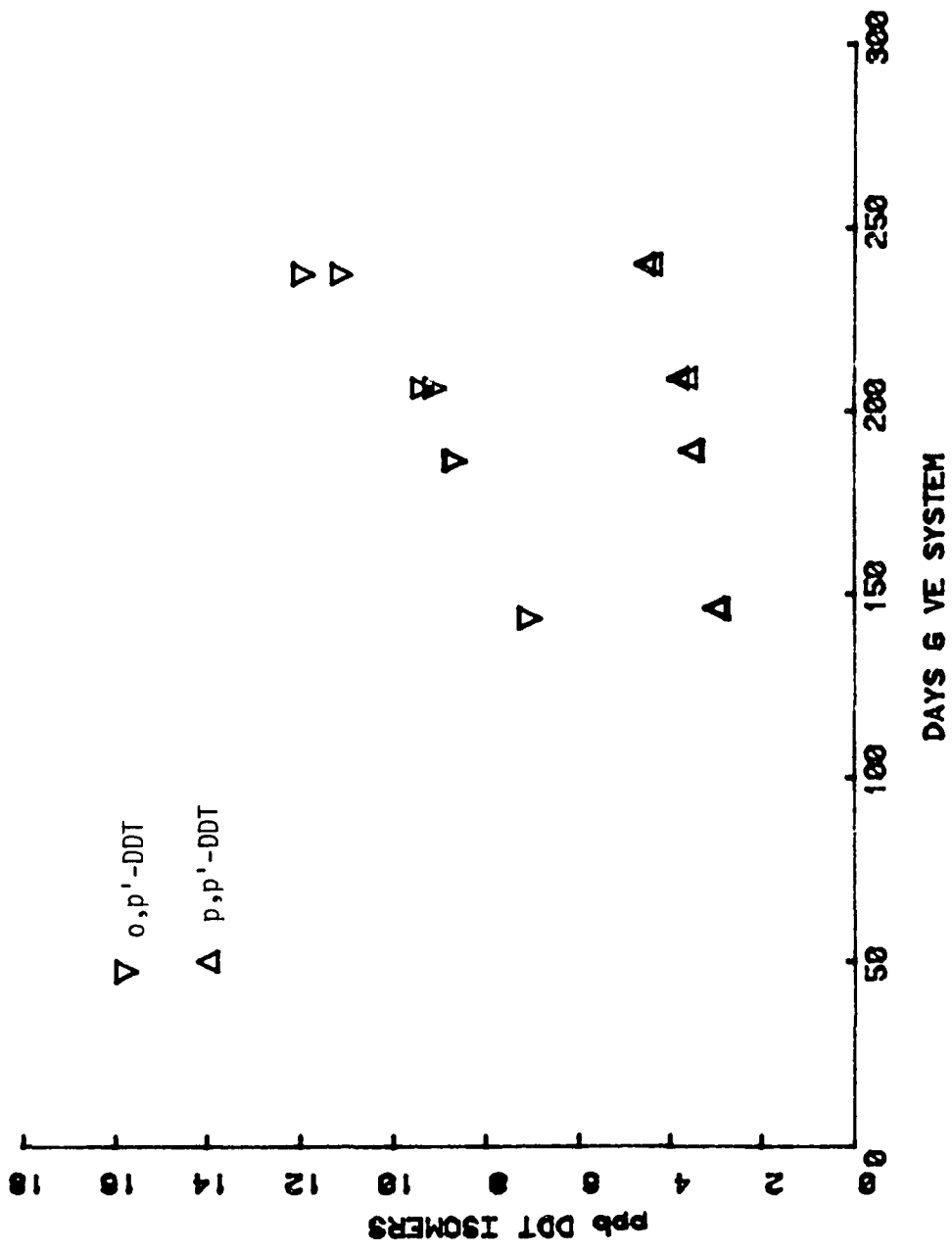


Figure 23. 6 VE system.



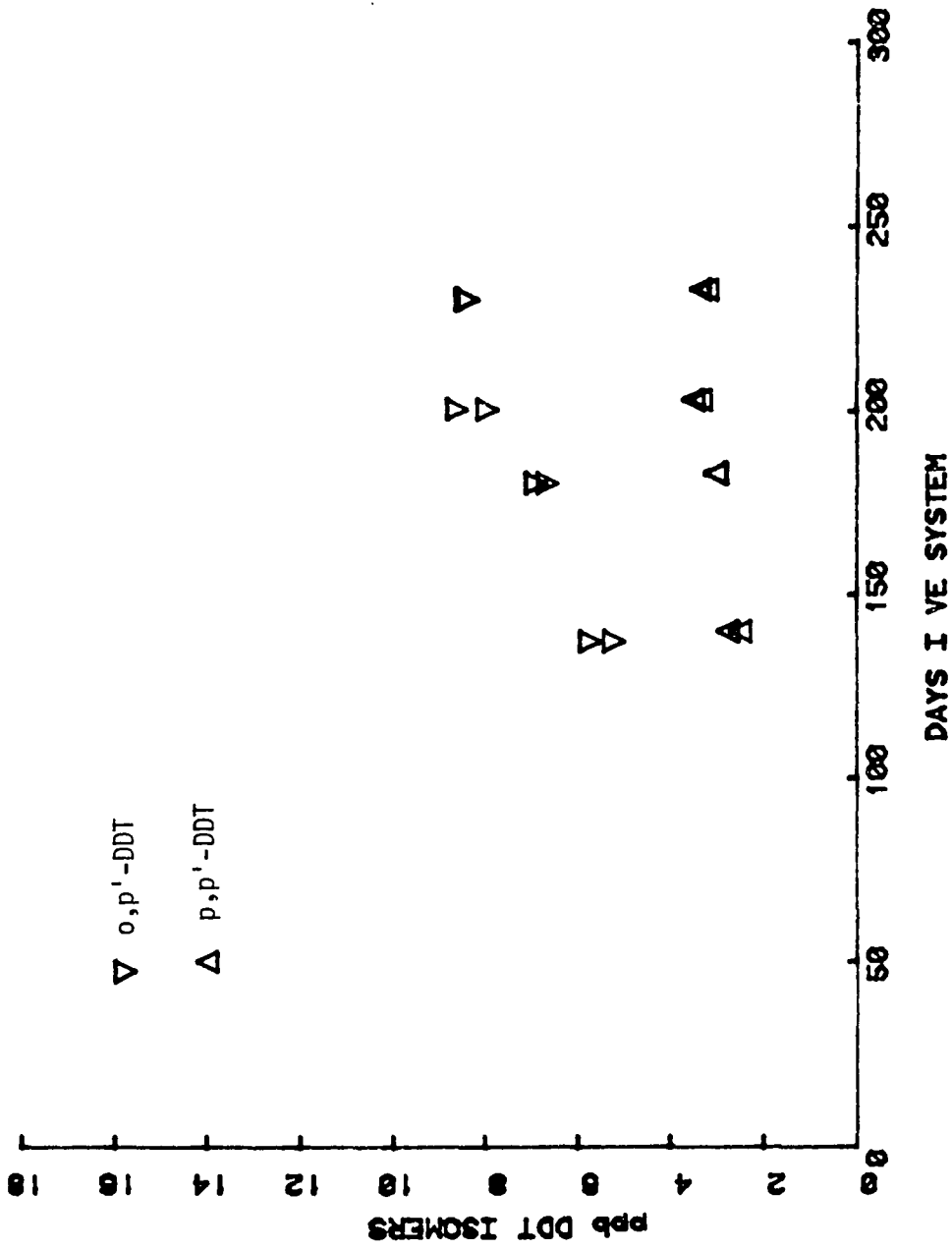


Figure 24. I VE system.

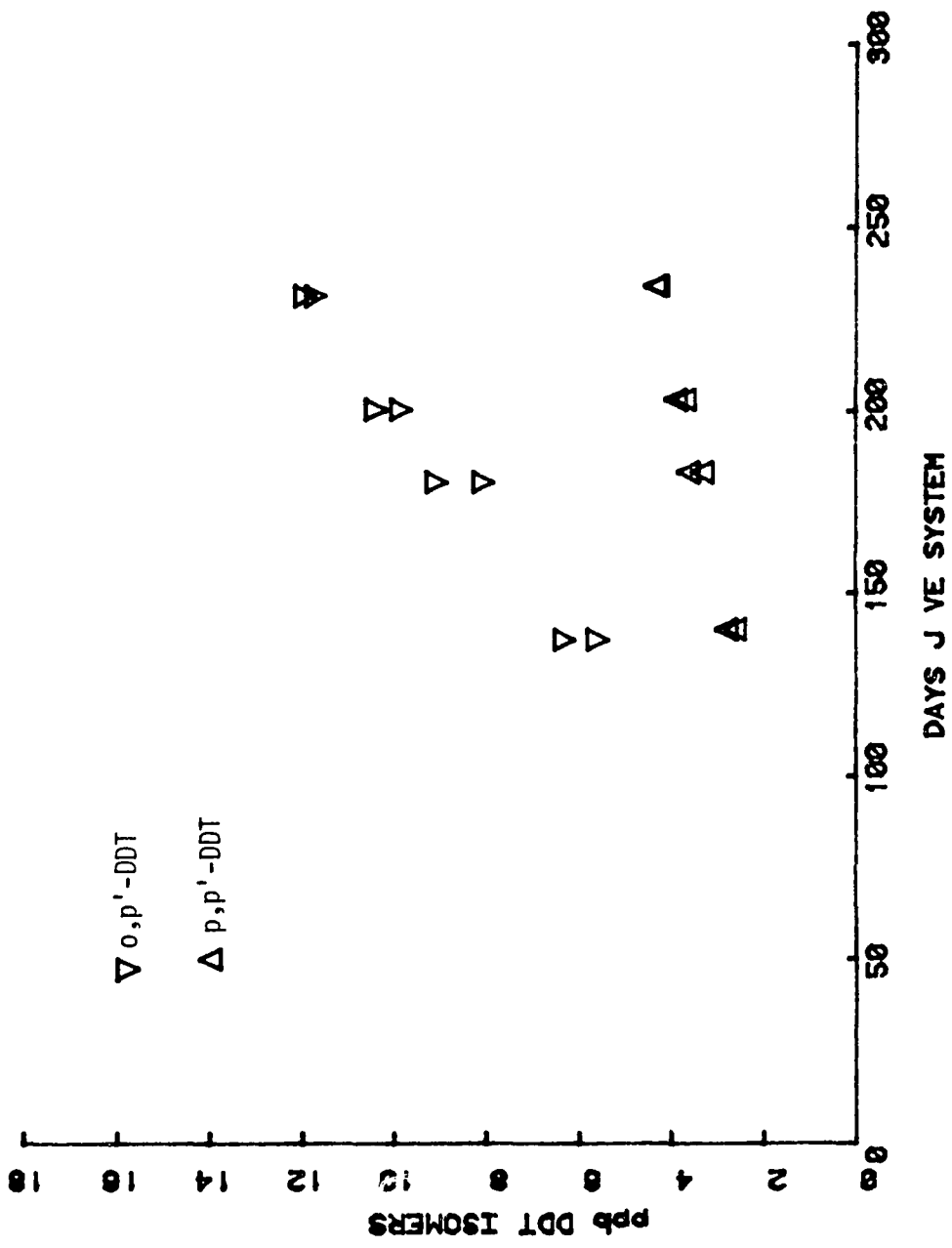


Figure 25. J VE system.

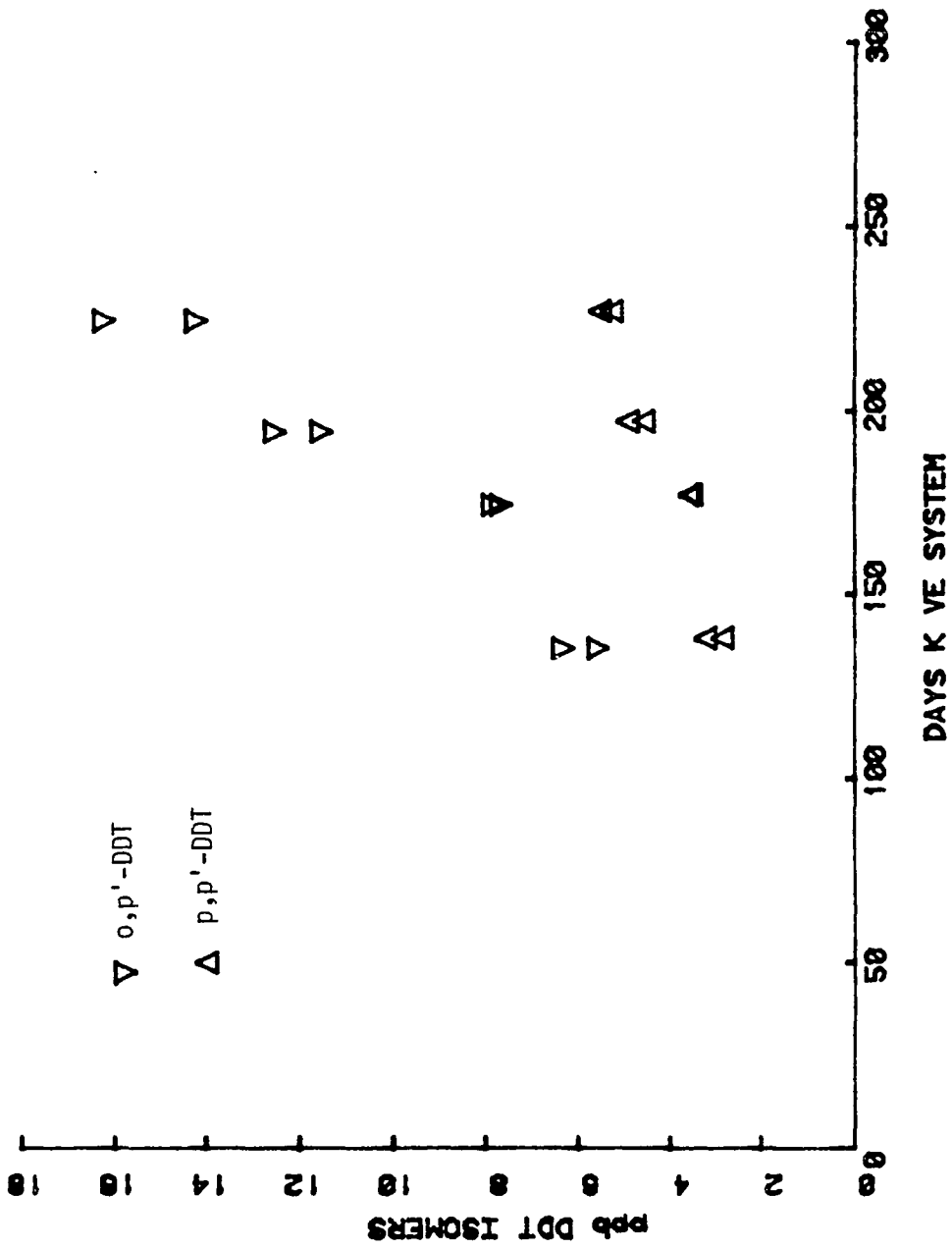


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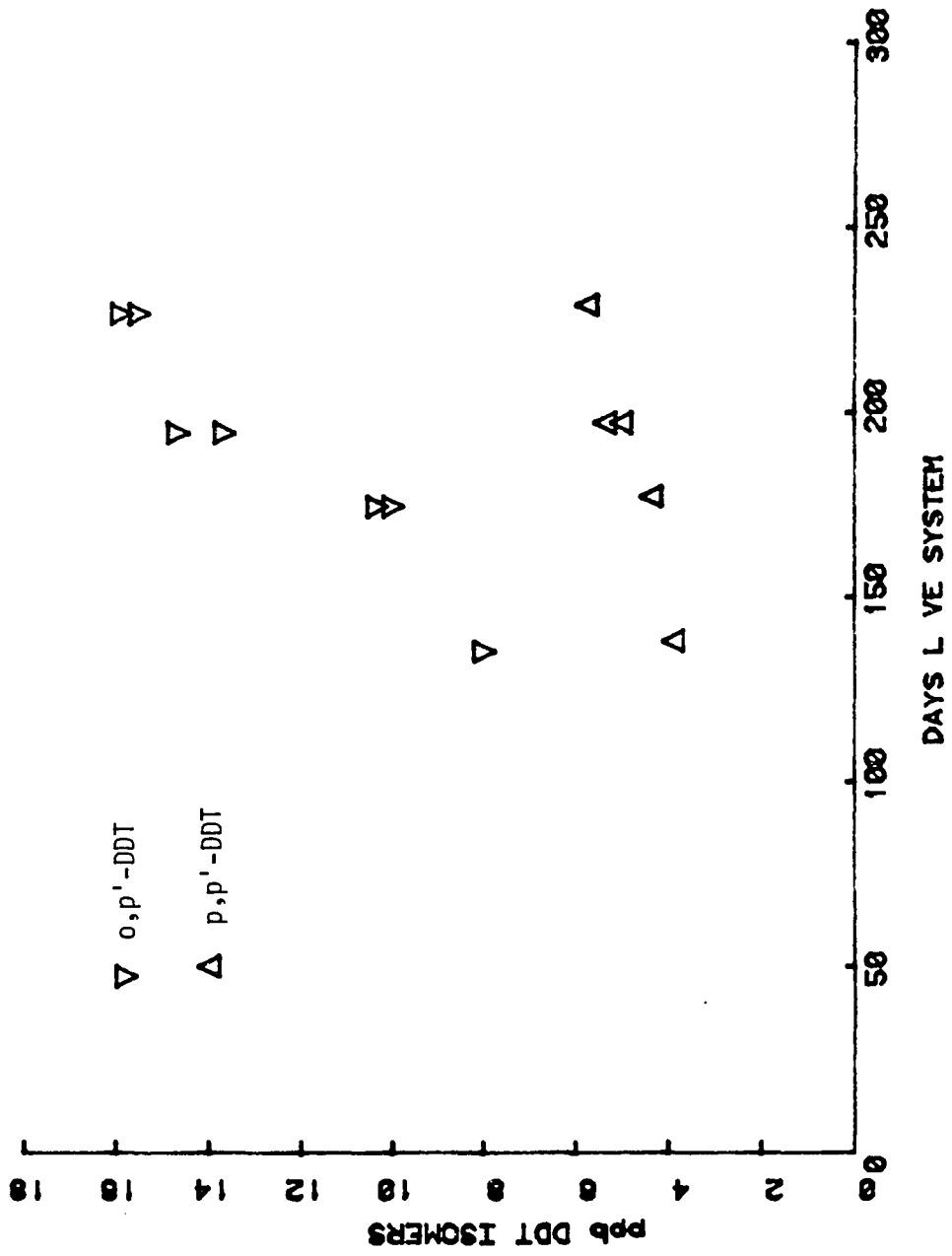


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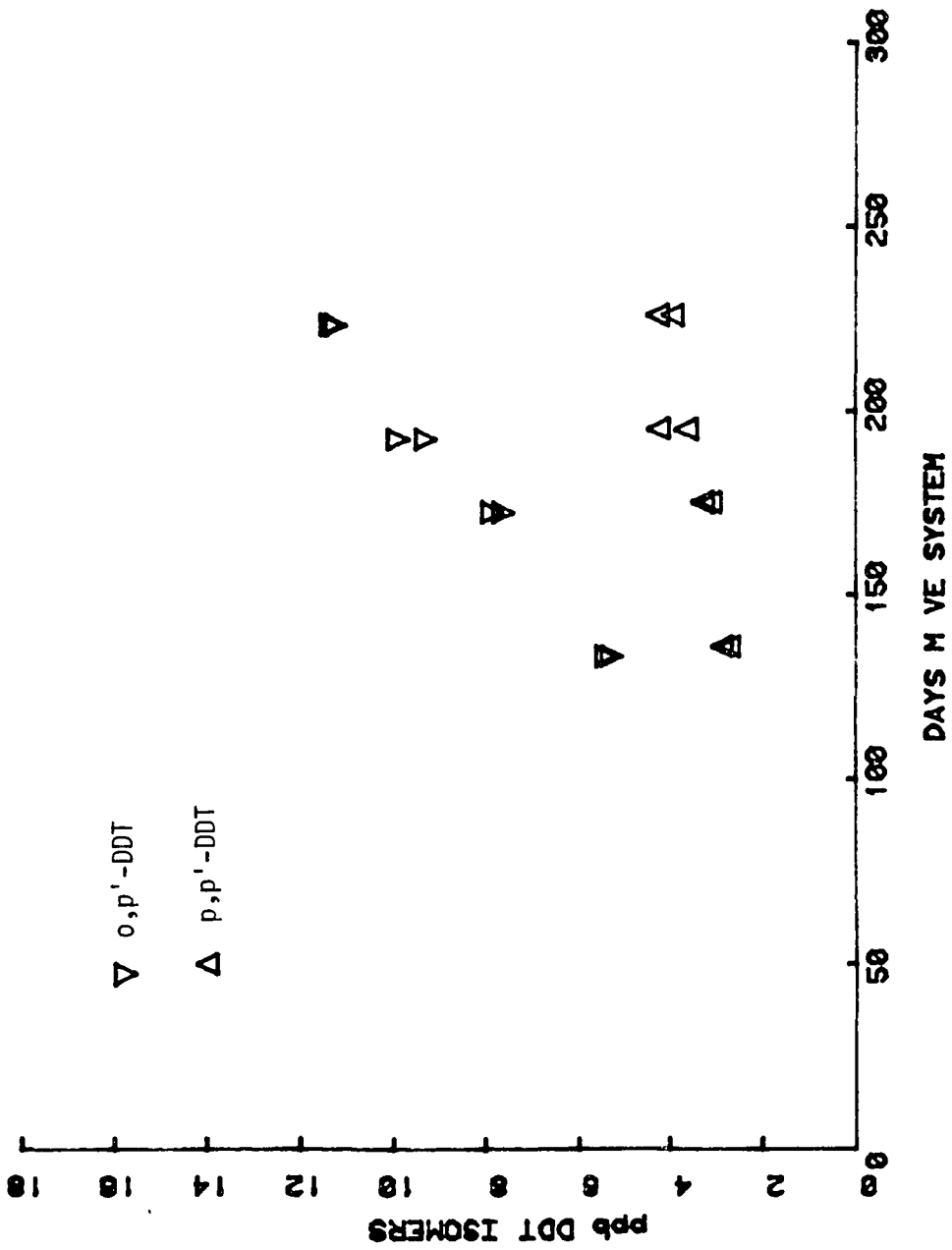


Figure 28. M VE system.

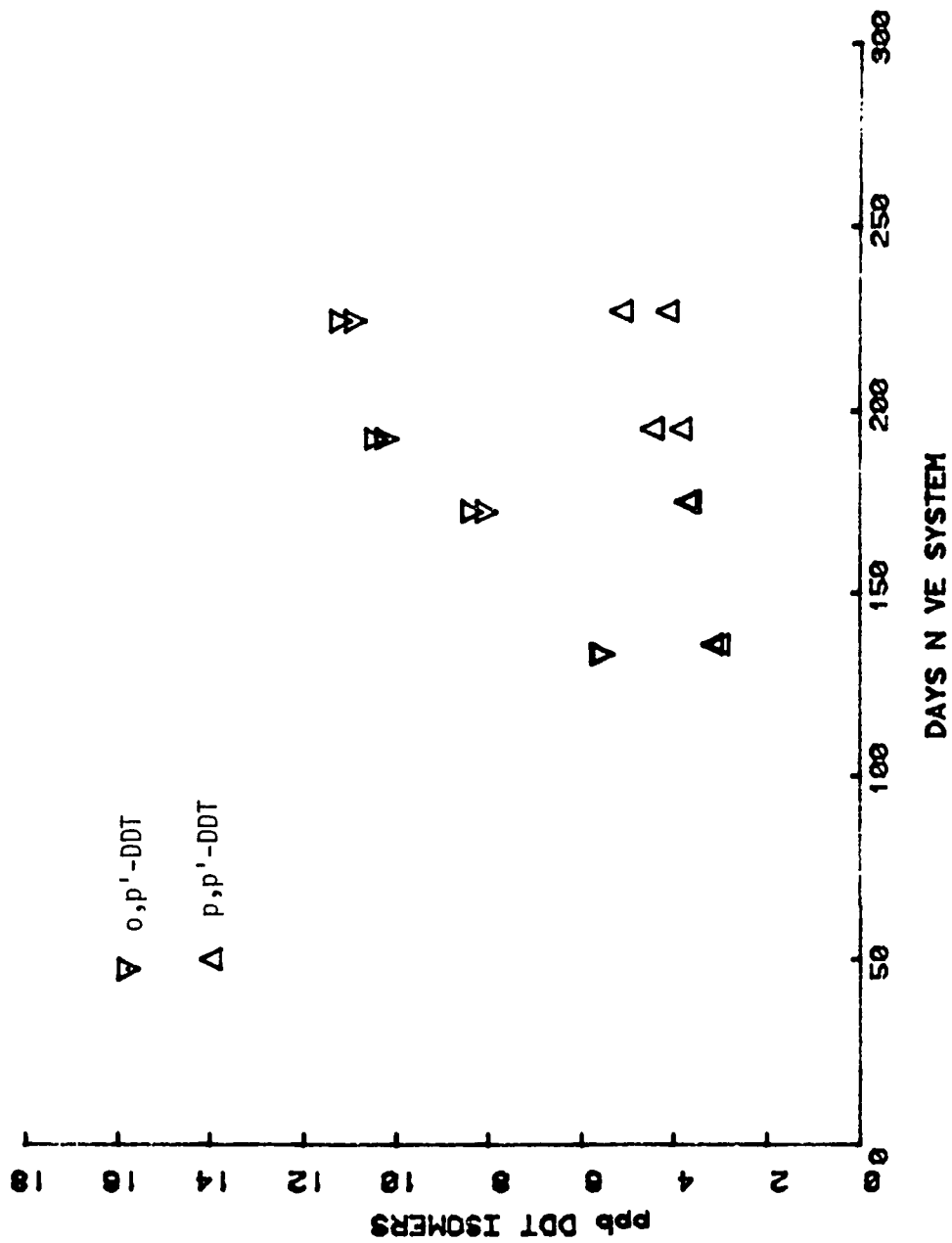


Figure 29. N VE system.

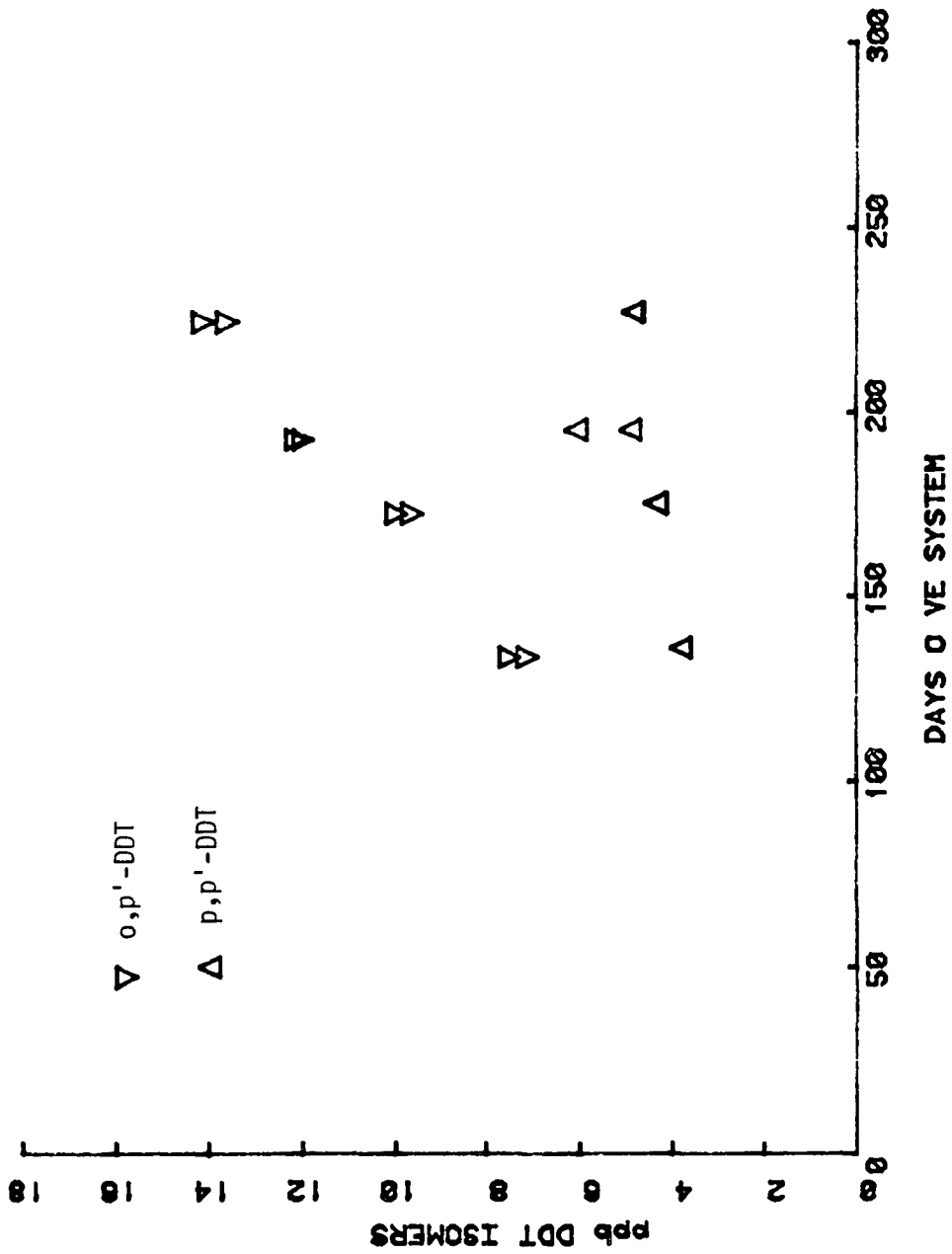


Figure 30. 0 VE system.

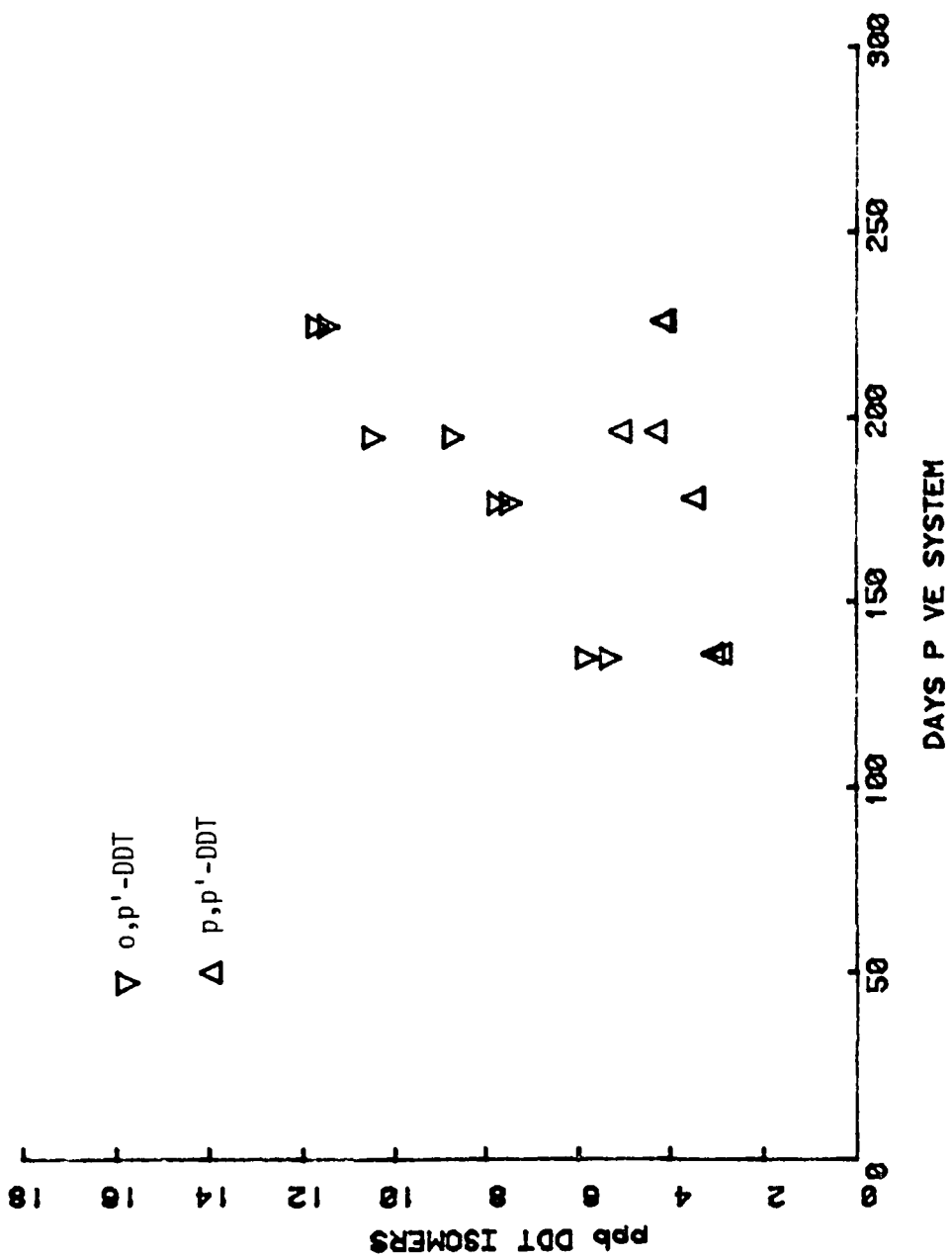


Figure 31. P VE system.



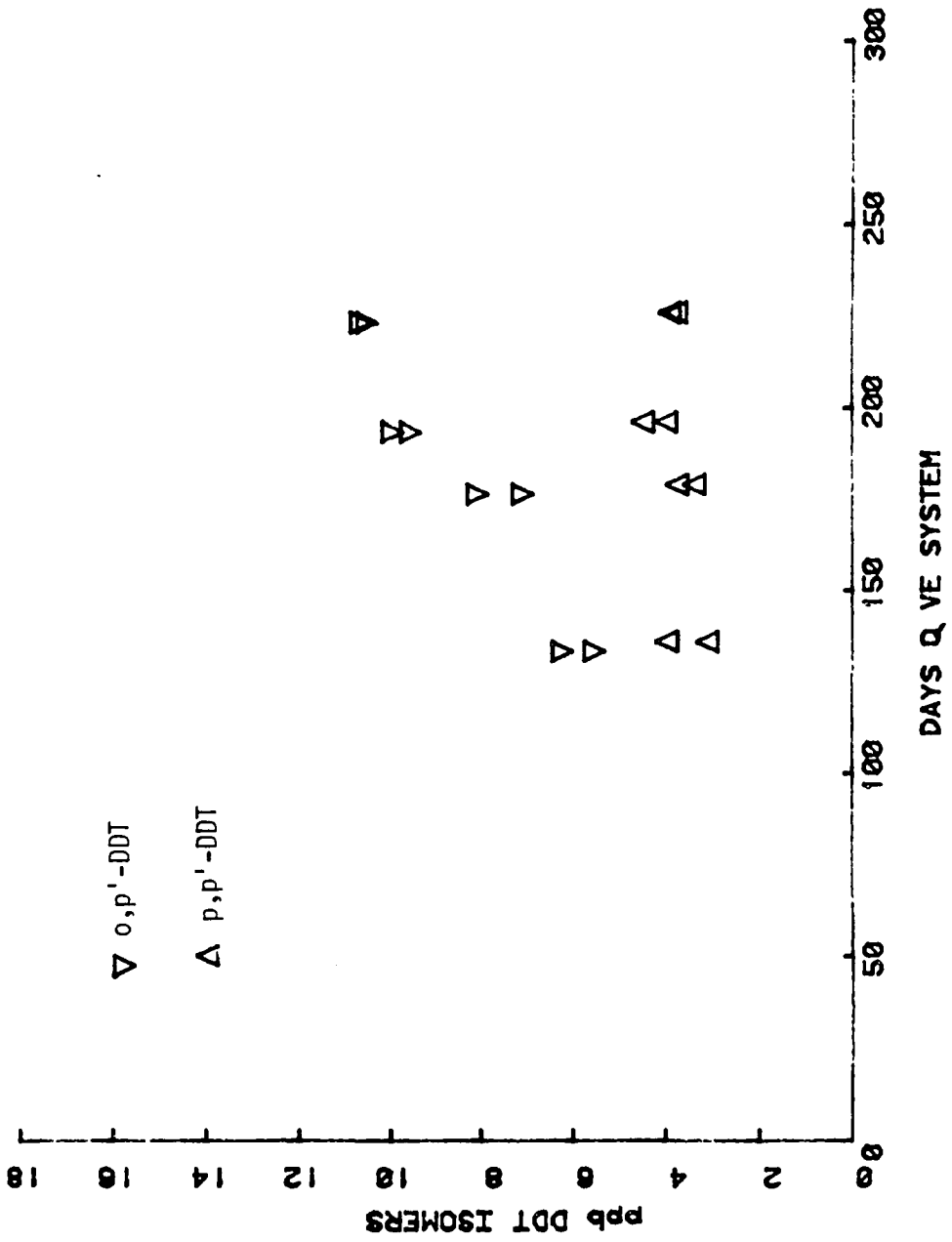


Figure 32. Q VE system.

## VE SYSTEM DOM CONCENTRATION

The concentration of the dissolved organic matter in each VE solution was measured within the first ten days and again after 140 to 160 days. The average change between the two determinations was +0.9 mg/L DOM. See Table V.

TABLE V

## VE SYSTEM [DOM]

<u>VE SYSTEM</u>	<u>CONCENTRATION DOM (MG/L)</u>		
	<u>0-10 days</u>	<u>140-160 days</u>	<u>average</u>
G	65	63	64 mg/L
I	81	78	80 mg/L
J	78	80	79 mg/L
K	74	79	76 mg/L
L	72	76	74 mg/L
M	48	47	48 mg/L
N	51	48	50 mg/L
O	23	26	24 mg/L
P	54	56	55 mg/L
Q	26	28	27 mg/L
B	0		
D	0		
F	0		
W	0		
X	0		
Y	0		
Z	0		

## VE SYSTEM pH

Each VE solution was initially adjusted to a pH of 5, 7, or 9. Within ten days, in most cases, the solution pH had shifted from the adjusted value. Measurements taken at 140 to 160 days and again at 230 to 250 days indicated that the pH's of the VE solutions were not constant with time. These last two sets of values ranged between pH 7-9 and imply that this may be a steady-state range for the VE solution pH's.

## VE SYSTEM pH

<u>VE System</u>	<u>pH</u>			
	<u>initial adj.</u>	<u>5-10 days</u>	<u>140-160 days</u>	<u>230-250 days</u>
G	7.0	7.0	7.5	7.3
I	9.0	9.4	8.9	8.7
J	7.0	8.0	8.8	8.5
K	5.0	5.7	8.0	8.2
L	5.0	5.8	7.8	7.3
M	5.0	7.3	7.8	7.9
N	9.0	7.7	8.8	8.4
O	5.0	6.0	7.9	7.6
P	7.0	7.3	8.4	7.8
Q	7.0	7.5	8.3	7.6

## MICROORGANISMS

Due to the extended periods of time that the VE systems were in operation, it was necessary to monitor the microorganism populations of the systems. At about 600 days for the distilled H<sub>2</sub>O systems (200 days for the DOM systems) analyses for total and for viable microorganisms (those organisms capable of reproduction when cultured) were performed. As microorganisms were an unanticipated consideration, populations of initial solutions were not checked.

Total populations were estimated from microscopic examination ( $\sim 1000 \times$  magnification) of solution aliquots. Results indicated populations of  $\sim 10^6$  organisms per mL for both the distilled H<sub>2</sub>O and the DOM solutions. The organisms were characterized as being four to five types of bacteria (one of which was Bacillus) and a relatively small number of fungi.

The populations of viable organisms in the systems were determined by culturing aliquots of the solutions. Samples were plated on a three-nutrient agar plus yeast extract medium and incubated at 20°C. The resulting plate counts showed a marked difference between the distilled H<sub>2</sub>O and DOM solutions. While the distilled H<sub>2</sub>O solutions ranged from 300 to 500 viable organisms per mL, the DOM solutions showed populations of  $10^5$  to  $10^6$  viable organisms per mL.

## DDT SORPTION TO GLASS

A distilled water VE system that had been running for 405 days was analyzed to determine how much DDT was sorbed to the vessel walls. The

remaining DDT-saturated solution in the system was poured out, and the two-liter flask (and the remaining drops of solution) were rinsed three times with dichloromethane. The combined rinses were worked up and analyzed in the usual manner. The emptied flask was found to contain  $173.2 \pm .5$  ng of p,p'-DDT, or the amount of this isomer that would be found in ~86 mL of DDT-saturated distilled water.

#### BIOLOGICAL DEGRADATION OF AQUEOUS DDT

The presence of the major degradation products of p,p'-DDT, namely p,p'-DDE or p,p'-DDD, in a VE sample would suggest that biological degradation had occurred in that system. VE systems were sampled over periods of 200 to 600 days. A small amount of p,p'-DDE (<0.3 ppb in distilled H<sub>2</sub>O, <1 ppb in DOM) was found in the VE systems, which may be attributed to the DDE contaminant on the glass beads. Larger amounts of p,p'-DDE were not found in the VE solutions nor was the presence of p,p'-DDD detected in any of the samples.

#### CHEMICAL DEGRADATION OF AQUEOUS DDT

A check was made to determine if DDT in distilled water would degrade over time. A DDT-coated glass bead was placed in 225 mL of distilled water and sonicated for 5 minutes in a 250 mL Erlenmeyer flask. The flask was sealed with a glass stopper and allowed to stand, exposed to fluorescent light. Immediate analysis of the solution indicated a small amount (<1%) of p,p'-DDE, which was present as a contaminant on the DDT bead. After 26 months, the solution showed the same contaminant, p,p'-DDE (<1%), and no detectable amounts of DDD.

## CHAPTER IV

### DISCUSSION

#### CONTROLLED PARAMETERS

DOM concentration, ionic strength and pH were varied as each of the different VE systems was initiated. Of the three adjusted parameters, DOM concentration and ionic strength were "controlled" successfully, while pH was not. The concentration of dissolved organic matter in various systems ranged from zero to 80 mg/L and did not vary significantly with time (see Data). The ionic strength was initially adjusted to 0.001 or 0.01 M, and, while it was not monitored, the ionic strength of these solutions would not be expected to change with time.

Initially the pH was adjusted to 5, 7 or 9. However, the pH of the VE solutions did not remain constant with time. Instead, all of the solutions appeared to be shifting to a pH between 7 and 9 (see Data). This pH shift from an initially adjusted value could be attributed to the presence and growth of microorganisms within a system. In the absence of microorganisms, DOM solutions have maintained an initially adjusted pH (199).

#### IONIC STRENGTH

At the adjusted levels ( $I=0.001$  and  $0.01M$ ), there was no observable relationship between ionic strength and DDT concentration, for either distilled water or dissolved organic matter solutions. This observation

is in agreement with other work (69, 79, 143). While equilibrium values were not obtained for DOM systems, the kinetic data for these systems showed no ionic strength correlation.

#### MICROORGANISMS

The VE systems were monitored over a considerable length of time (250 - 650) days, longer than originally anticipated. It was discovered that microorganisms in the systems reached populations of significant size during this time. Populations in all systems reached about  $10^6$  organisms per mL. Microorganisms in the DOM solutions were capable of reproduction when cultured while the populations of the distilled water systems were not (see Data).

Microorganisms could affect the concentration of DDT in the VE systems in two ways. The DDT could be biologically degraded by the organisms, and/or the pesticide could partition into the organisms, much like it would into an organic solvent. This partitioning to the organic organisms appears to be the same as for partitioning to any organic carbon, with the same equilibrium constant,  $K_{OC}$  (165, 171). On this basis, one can calculate how much DDT could be associated with the organic carbon of the microorganisms. Assuming a  $K_{OC}$  of  $3.5 \times 10^5$ , and that one microorganism yields  $1 \times 10^{-12}$  g dry weight (50% of which is organic carbon), then a VE solution containing  $10^6$  organisms/mL would have 0.35 ppb DDT associated with the organisms. It is unclear how successfully DDT is extracted from microorganisms by methylene chloride. If the solvent extraction did not remove the microorganism/DDT from the aqueous layer, the organisms would not affect the analytical results. If, on the other hand, some, or all, of the associated DDT was extrac-



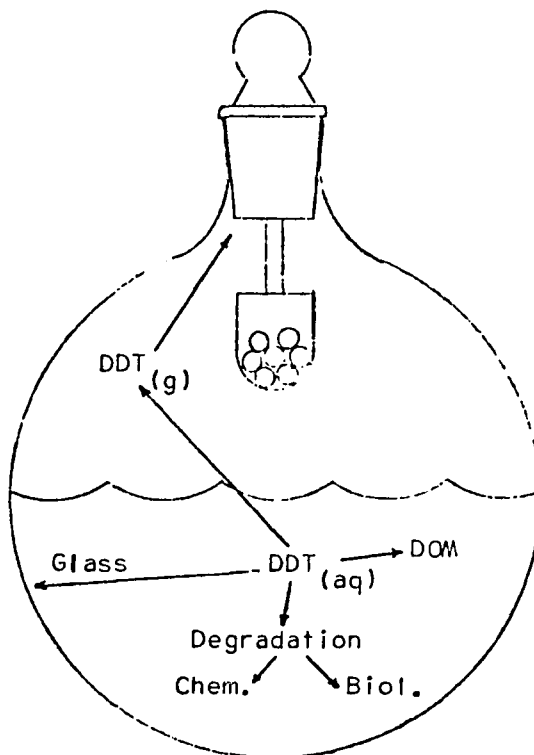
ted, the maximum effect would be an error of 0.35 ppb in excess of the actual VE solution concentration. As 0.35 ppb is small relative to solution concentrations, the partitioning of DDT to microorganisms in the VE solutions does not significantly affect the analytical solution concentrations.

For reasons discussed in the next section (DDT Loss), microbial degradation of DDT is believed to occur in the VE solutions. During normal system operations, the constant input of DDT vapor from the beads occurs at a rate that is greater than the biological degradation rate. For this reason, the DDT solution concentration increases with time until equilibrium is reached. The effect of the microbial degradation is observed only when the VE system is shut down; that is, when the DDT-coated beads are removed and the system no longer receives a constant input of the pesticide.

#### DDT LOSS

The concentration of DDT isomers in a VE solution was observed to decrease over time if the constant source of DDT vapor (the DDT-coated glass beads) was removed. Decline of measured DDT solution concentrations could be caused by a number of factors which shall be discussed. Among these, the most probable cause is microbiological degradation.

Consider a DOM VE system:



The DDT in solution (as measured) could be diminished in the following ways:

- A. Escape - via the gas phase when the system is opened to withdraw a sample
- B. Adsorption - irreversible relative to extraction
  - (1) DOM
  - (2) Glass
  - (3) Microorganisms
- C. Degradation
  - (1) Chemical
  - (2) Biological

Escape of the DDT from the vapor phase when the system is periodically opened does not constitute a significant loss. One can calculate

the amount of DDT occupying the volume of the VE system above the solution (~1 liter) at 20°C. If opening the flask to remove a sample resulted in a complete exchange of the vapor within the flask, only  $2 \times 10^{-9}$  g of p,p'-DDT would escape the system, which would translate to a loss of only 0.002 ppb in a one-liter solution.

Adsorption of DDT from solution does not constitute a significant loss. Irreversible adsorption (relative to extraction) to DOM is not a problem, as is shown by the extraction recoveries of DDT from spiked DOM solutions over a long period of time (see Data). Glass has been shown not to adsorb appreciable amounts of DDT from aqueous solution. This is evident in the long-term extraction recovery data and in the small amount of DDT found associated with the walls of a VE system after the solution had been removed (see Data). Irreversible adsorption (relative to extraction) to microorganisms would involve a maximum of 0.35 ppb (see Microorganisms section) which is not significantly greater than experimental error.

Degradation of DDT must, by default, be responsible for the observed drop in solution concentration over time. Chemical degradation of DDT in aqueous solution is known to occur very slowly, with a half-life on the order of 12 years (155). Chemical degradation is not an important factor in this work. This conclusion is supported by the absence of any detectable accumulations of DDT degradation products in either the long-term extraction recovery data or in a hydrolysis experiment that was run for over two years (see Data).

It is DDT degradation by microorganisms that is thought to account for the VE systems' loss of solution DDT over time. While no microorganism has been found to utilize DDT as the only source of carbon, DDT is

cometabolized by some species (169). The presence of the major degradation products, DDD or DDE (a degradation product that is sometimes formed in an aerobic environment) was not detected. However, DDD can subsequently be degraded to DDCO (4,4'-dichlorobenzophenone) or to DDM (bis(p-chlorophenyl)methane). These subsequent degradation products, if present, would not be identified in the GLC analysis. It is therefore possible that microbial degradation could accumulate products that would not be identified during analysis while maintaining a concentration of the intermediate DDD at an insignificant level.

Assuming that microbial degradation was occurring, an upper limit may be placed on the degradation rate. While data are not available to reliably assess the rate of DDT biotransformation in an aquatic system (155), a comparison with the degradation rate for a similar compound may be made. Under VE system operating conditions, methoxychlor (a compound similar to DDT, but with methoxy groups substituted for the two chlorine atoms on the benzene rings) would be degraded at the rate of  $5 \times 10^{-3} \mu\text{g L}^{-1} \text{day}^{-1}$  (200). As methoxychlor is generally recognized to biodegrade at a faster rate than DDT (200), this rate would constitute an upper limit for the rate of DDT degradation. Thus, for a VE system, the amount of DDT degraded during a 50-day period could be no more than 0.25 ppb. As Figure 16 shows, the rate of DDT input to the solution is considerably greater than this upper limit for the biodegradation rate.

It is important to note that while microbiological degradation causes a significant decrease in solution DDT levels in a static VE system with no constant input of DDT, there is no significant effect on the data and equilibrium concentration of a dynamic VE system in a normal mode of operation. An operating VE system would normally include

a constant input of DDT vapor from the coated glass beads at a rate greater than the decomposition rate.

#### VE SYSTEM - RATE-LIMITING PROCESS

As the VE systems take an extremely long time to reach equilibration ( 100 days for a distilled water system and more than 240 days for a DOM system), it is of interest to identify the rate limiting step or process of the system. The process operating in a VE system would be:

- (1) Vaporization of solid DDT;
- (2) Diffusion of DDT in the gas and solution phases;
- (3) Transport of DDT across the gas/solution boundary;
- (4) Association or complexation of aqueous DDT with DOM.

(1) It is believed that among these, the vaporization of solid DDT is the process which limits the time necessary for a VE system to attain equilibrium. In support of this conclusion, it was observed that when the DDT-coated beads in the flask became wet from condensed water vapor, the concentration of DDT in solution did not rise as rapidly. When the beads in the flask were exchanged for dry beads on a regular basis (every 3 days), the solution concentration of DDT increased at a greater rate.

(2) Diffusion of DDT through either the gas or the solution phases could not be rate-limiting. The system is agitated by an orbital shaker, which thoroughly mixes both phases.

(3) The half-life for the transfer of DDT across a gas/solution boundary can be calculated (56, 58, 201). For a VE system with DDT-saturated vapor, it would require 25 hours to increase the aqueous DDT concentration in distilled water from zero to 90% of saturation. As the

kinetics of equilibrium attainment for the VE system are much slower, boundary transfer must not be rate-limiting.

(4) In systems containing DOM, the association of DDT and the organic matter is another kinetic process. This interaction has been shown, however, to be rapid with respect to the total VE process (143, 202).

## CHAPTER V

### CONCLUSIONS

The solubility of p,p'-DDT in distilled water was determined to be  $1.87 \pm .01$  ppb. The solubility of the o,p'-DDT isomer in distilled water was determined to be  $4.88 \pm .03$  ppb.

The concentrations of p,p'-DDT and o,p'-DDT in distilled water solutions containing dissolved organic matter (DOM) were definitely greater than the aqueous solubilities of these compounds. The VE systems containing these DOM solutions did not reach equilibrium. That is, the concentrations of the DDT isomers continued to increase with time. For this reason, an absolute DDT "solubility" for each DOM solution was not determined. However, the highest DDT concentration measured for each system would represent a minimum value for the equilibrium concentration, had equilibrium been achieved. Thus, the DOM VE systems establish a lower limit for the "solubility" or equilibrium concentrations of p,p'-DDT and o,p'-DDT in aqueous DOM solutions. These lower limits are presented in Table VI.

TABLE VI

## DOM VE SYSTEMS

## LOWER LIMIT FOR EQUILIBRIUM CONCENTRATION

System	DOM Conc. mg/l	Lower Limit for Equilibrium Concentration	
		p,p'-DDT (ppb)	o,p'-DDT (ppb)
G	64	4.5	11.9
I	80	3.4	8.6
J	79	4.3	12.0
K	76	5.4	15.5
L	74	5.8	15.9
M	48	4.1	11.5
N	50	4.7	11.2
O	24	4.9	14.1
P	55	4.2	11.8
Q	27	3.9	10.8

From these minimum values for equilibrium concentrations, a minimum value for the partition coefficient ( $K_{oc}$ ) may be calculated.

$$K_{oc} = \frac{DDT_{total} - DDT_{(aq)}}{DDT_{(aq)}} \frac{1}{\rho_{oc}} \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{array}{l} p,p'-DDT_{(aq)} = 1.9 \text{ ppb} \\ o,p'-DDT_{(aq)} = 4.9 \text{ ppb} \end{array}$$



System	Lower Limit for $K_{oc}$	
	p,p'-DDT	o,p'-DDT
G	$4.3 \times 10^4$	$4.5 \times 10^4$
I	$2.0 \times 10^4$	$1.9 \times 10^4$
J	$3.2 \times 10^4$	$3.7 \times 10^4$
K	$4.8 \times 10^4$	$5.7 \times 10^4$
L	$5.5 \times 10^4$	$6.1 \times 10^4$
M	$4.8 \times 10^4$	$5.6 \times 10^4$
N	$5.9 \times 10^4$	$5.1 \times 10^4$
O	$1.3 \times 10^{5*}$	$1.6 \times 10^{5*}$
P	$4.4 \times 10^4$	$5.1 \times 10^4$
Q	$7.8 \times 10^4$	$8.9 \times 10^4$
mean	$4.7 \pm 1.6 \times 10^4$	$5.2 \pm 1.9 \times 10^4$

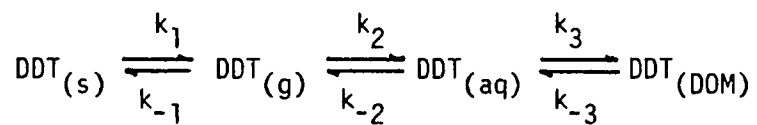
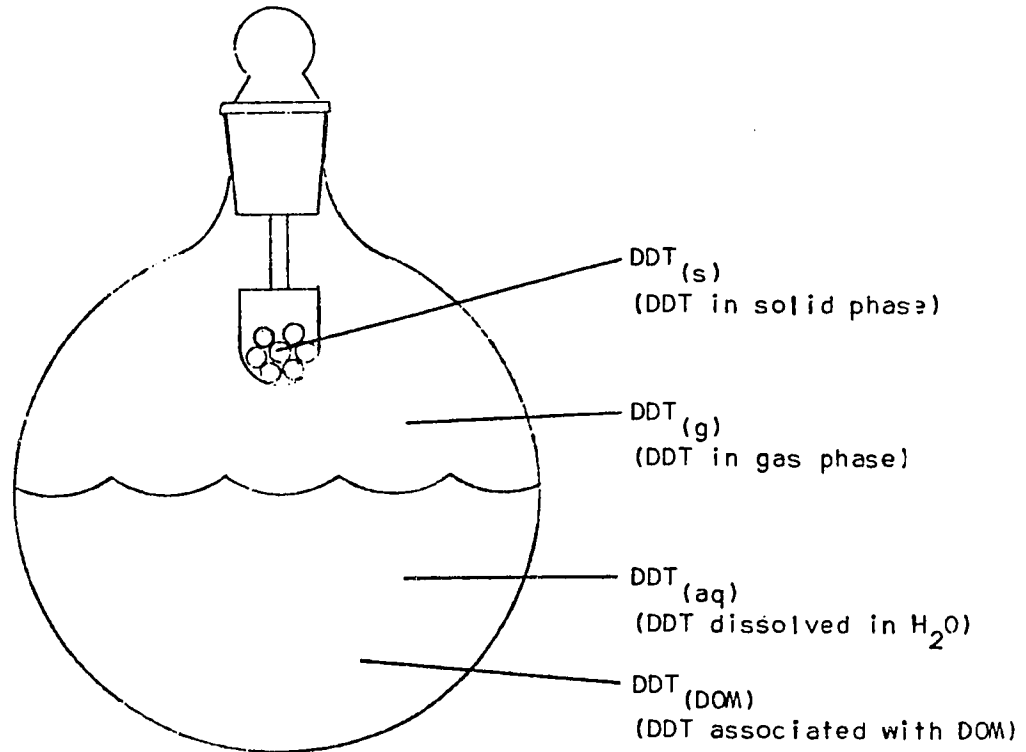
\*rejected by Q test at 90% confidence

These data indicate that a minimum  $\log K_{oc}$  for both p,p'-DDT and o,p'-DDT would be  $4.7 \pm .2$  log units. This minimum compares favorably with the literature  $\log K_{oc}$  for p,p'-DDT of 5.1 to 5.7 log units for particulate organic matter.

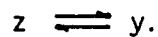
The data definitely establish that DOM does allow for the presence of a greater concentration of DDT in aqueous solution, and that a minimum value for the partition coefficient for the association between DOM and DDT can be calculated. Efforts to extrapolate the results to  $\overset{\circ}{\text{DDT}}/\overset{\circ}{\text{DOM}}$  equilibrium values (and hence determine the  $K_{oc}$ ) have been made. It appears that, while it may be useful to examine several extrapolation methods, there is not good agreement between different methods as to a projected  $K_{oc}$  value. A discussion follows of a model used to describe the concentration of DDT in solution for a VE system over time.

## KINETIC MODEL

Consider a DOM VE system:



Assume  $k_3, k_{-3} \gg k_2, k_{-2} \gg k_1, k_{-1}$ , or that  $DDT_{(DOM)}$  is always in equilibrium with  $DDT_{(g)}$ . The slow step of the sequence is the transition between the solid and vapor phases. The kinetics of such a system would be of the type described by a first-order reversible reaction, such as



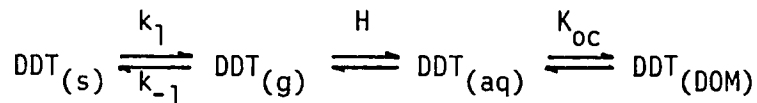
Initial boundary conditions can be chosen to mimic a VE system;  $y$ , the measured quantity, is not present at time  $t = 0$ . The kinetics of such a system may be recognized to be exponential and of the form

$$y = a (1 - e^{-bt})$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants.

While the general form of a kinetic model can thus be quickly deduced, a thorough kinetic analysis requires the constants  $a$  and  $b$  to be expressed in terms of the original equilibria. Such an expression will now be derived.

Rewriting the VE equilibria in terms of the Henry's law constant ( $H$ ) and the DOM/DDT partitioning coefficient ( $K_{oc}$ ),



$$\text{where } H = \frac{[\text{DDT}_{(g)}]}{[\text{DDT}_{(aq)}]}, \quad K_{oc} = \frac{[\text{DDT}_{(DOM)}]}{[\text{DDT}_{(aq)}]} \frac{1}{\rho_{oc}}$$

$$\text{and } \rho_{oc} = \frac{\text{weight of organic carbon}}{\text{weight of water}}.$$

Assume that  $\text{DDT}_{(g)}$  does not directly interact with the solution DOM and

that  $\text{DDT}_{(DOM)}$  does not affect  $H$  ( $k_{-2}$ )

Assume that  $\text{DDT}_{(s)}$  is in large excess.

Then a mass balance may be written for the total amount of DDT in a VE system ( $\text{DDT}_T$ ):

$$\text{DDT}_T = \text{DDT}_{(s)} + \text{DDT}_{(g)} + \text{DDT}_{(aq)} + \text{DDT}_{(DOM)}$$

and

$$\text{DDT}_T = \text{DDT}_{(s)} + V_{(g)}[\text{DDT}_{(g)}] + V_{(soln)}[\text{DDT}_{(aq)}] + V_{(soln)}[\text{DDT}_{(DOM)}]$$

where  $V_{(x)}$  = volume of phase x .

$$\text{Let } [DDT_{(aq)}] + [DDT_{(DOM)}] = [DDT_M]$$

where  $[DDT_M]$  is the measured concentration of DDT in the solution.

$$\text{Then } \frac{dDDT_T}{dt} = 0 = \frac{dDDT_{(s)}}{dt} + V_{(g)} \frac{d[DDT_{(g)}]}{dt} + V_{(soln)} \frac{d[DDT_M]}{dt}$$

Examining the three parts of this mass balance sum one at a time,

$$\frac{dDDT_{(s)}}{dt} = -k_1 DDT_{(s)} + k_{-1} V_{(g)} [DDT_{(g)}]$$

Since  $DDT_{(s)}$  is in excess, let

$$k_1 DDT_{(s)} = S_1, \text{ where } S_1 = \text{a constant.}$$

Then

$$\frac{dDDT_{(s)}}{dt} = -S_1 + k_{-1} V_{(g)} [DDT_{(g)}] .$$

$$\text{Since } [DDT_{(aq)}] = \frac{1}{1 + \rho_{oc} K_{oc}} [DDT_M]$$

$$\text{and } [DDT_{(g)}] = H [DDT_{(aq)}] = \frac{H}{1 + \rho_{oc} K_{oc}} [DDT_M] ,$$

$$\frac{dDDT_{(s)}}{dt} = -S_1 + k_{-1} V_{(g)} \frac{H}{1 + \rho_{oc} K_{oc}} [DDT_M]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dDDT_{(g)}}{dt} &= V_{(g)} \frac{d[DDT_{(g)}]}{dt} \\ &= V_{(g)} H \frac{d[DDT_{(aq)}]}{dt} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d\text{DDT}_{(g)}}{dt} = V_{(g)} \frac{H}{1 + \rho_{oc} K_{oc}} \frac{d[\text{DDT}_M]}{dt}$$

$$\frac{d\text{DDT}_M}{dt} = V_{(soln)} \frac{d[\text{DDT}_M]}{dt}$$

Let  $[\text{DDT}_M] = X$  and  $(1 + \rho_{oc} K_{oc}) = A$

where  $V_{(g)} = V_{(soln)} = 1$  liter

$$\frac{d\text{DDT}_T}{dt} = -S_1 + k_{-1} \frac{H}{A} X + \left( \frac{H}{A} + 1 \right) \frac{dX}{dt}$$

$$-S_1 + \frac{k_{-1}H}{A} X + \left( \frac{H}{A} + 1 \right) \frac{dX}{dt} = 0$$

$$\int_0^X \frac{dX}{S_1 - \frac{k_{-1}H}{A} X} = \int_0^t \frac{dt}{\frac{H}{A} + 1}$$

and

$$X = \frac{S_1 A}{k_{-1} H} \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{k_{-1} H}{H+A} t} \right)$$

resubstituting,

$$(1) [\text{DDT}_M] = \frac{S_1 (1 + \rho_{oc} K_{oc})}{k_{-1} H} \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{k_{-1} H}{H + 1 + \rho_{oc} K_{oc}} t} \right)$$

where

$[DDT_M]$  is  $\mu\text{g/L}$

$S_1$  is  $\mu\text{g/hr}$

$k_{-1}$  is  $\text{hr}^{-1}$

$\rho_{OC}$  is dimensionless (wt. organic carbon/wt. solution)

$K_{OC}$  is dimensionless

$H$  is  $1.62 \times 10^{-3} \frac{\mu\text{g/L (gas)}}{\text{L}/\mu\text{g (soln)}} \text{ (DDT at } 20^\circ\text{C)}$

In the case of a distilled  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  VE system,  $\rho_{OC} = 0$ , and the equation reduces to

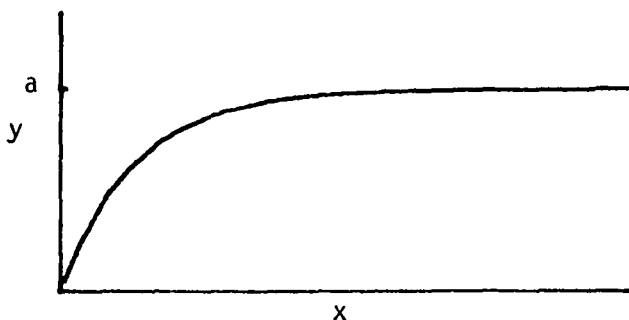
$$(2) \quad [DDT_M] = \frac{S_1}{k_{-1}H} \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{k_{-1}H}{H+1} t} \right)$$

which is the same equation that would result from a derivation similar to that used above for the DOM VE system.

Thus, the equation describing the measured concentration of DDT in a VE solution over time is of the form

$$y = a (1 - e^{-bx})$$

This equation describes a curve of the form



where as  $x$  increases,  $y$  approaches a value of "a." The constant "b" determines the curvature, or how fast the line levels off. With respect to the model for the VE system,  $x$  would be time (in days),  $y$  would be DDT concentration (in ppb) and "a" would be the equilibrium DDT concentration or "solubility."

A discussion of various attempts to utilize this kinetic model to calculate equilibrium values will be limited to consideration of the p,p'-DDT data only.

The line of best fit of the form

$$y = a(1 - e^{-bx})$$

was calculated for the data from each of the continuous VE systems (those systems that did not undergo an interruption or change in mode of operation). The curve fits were accomplished by use of a modified computer program (see Appendix) for the sequential simplex method of optimization (203, 204).

The line of best fit for a distilled water system (W VE system) is shown in Figure 33. The "a" and "b" constants of this line are

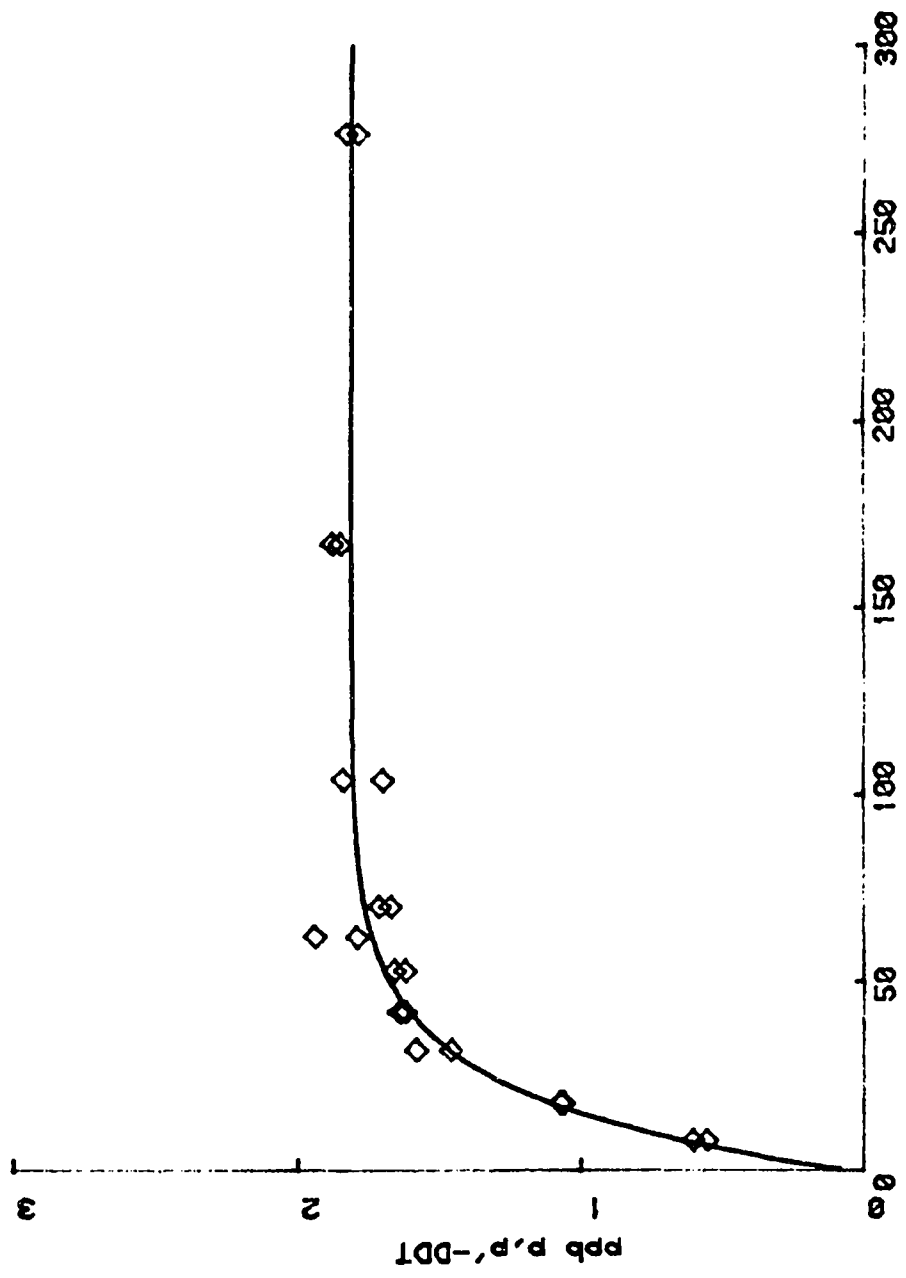
$$a = 1.82, \quad b = 0.051$$

From equation (2), the constants  $S_1$  and  $k_{-1}$  are calculated:

Distilled H<sub>2</sub>O System (20°C)

$$S_1 = 9.28 \times 10^{-2} \mu\text{g/hr}$$

$$k_{-1} = 31.4 \text{ hr}^{-1}$$



DAYS W VE SYSTEM

Figure 33. W VE system.



$S_1$  is the constant rate of input of DDT into the gas phase from the large excess of solid DDT.  $k_{-1}$  is the rate constant for the return reaction, that is, for DDT returning to the solid phase from the gas phase.

Intuition, as well as the kinetic model, indicate that these constants ( $S_1$  and  $k_{-1}$ ) describing the kinetics of transition between the solid and vapor phases should be constant for all VE systems. Thus, the  $S_1$  and  $k_{-1}$  calculated from the distilled  $H_2O$  system should be the same  $S_1$  and  $k_{-1}$  operating in the DOM VE systems. On this basis, the distilled  $H_2O$  constants were used to calculate curves for the DOM systems by assuming a series of values for  $K_{oc}$ .

$K_{oc}$  values of  $3 \times 10^5$ ,  $8 \times 10^4$  and  $3.7 \times 10^4$  were selected as a wide range of reasonable numbers. The DOM system curves calculated for these  $K_{oc}$ 's (using  $S_1$  and  $k_{-1}$  from distilled  $H_2O$ ) are shown in Figures 34 and 35. While the curves do not fit the data particularly well, it can be seen that the "lower limit"  $K_{oc}$  calculated from the data ( $4.7 \times 10^4$ ) is in the vicinity of  $K_{oc}$ 's for the lines most closely approximating the data. It is apparent that, in addition to varying  $K_{oc}$ , the constants  $S_1$  and  $k_{-1}$  must also be changed if a better fit is to be obtained. Thus, the kinetics of transfer between the solid and liquid phases do not appear to be the same for distilled  $H_2O$  and DOM VE systems. That is,  $S_1$  and  $k_{-1}$  calculated from the distilled  $H_2O$  system does not allow for a reasonable curve fit of the DOM data. This disparity would indicate that perhaps it was incorrectly assumed that DOM did not affect the kinetics of the DDT transfer between the gas and solution phases.

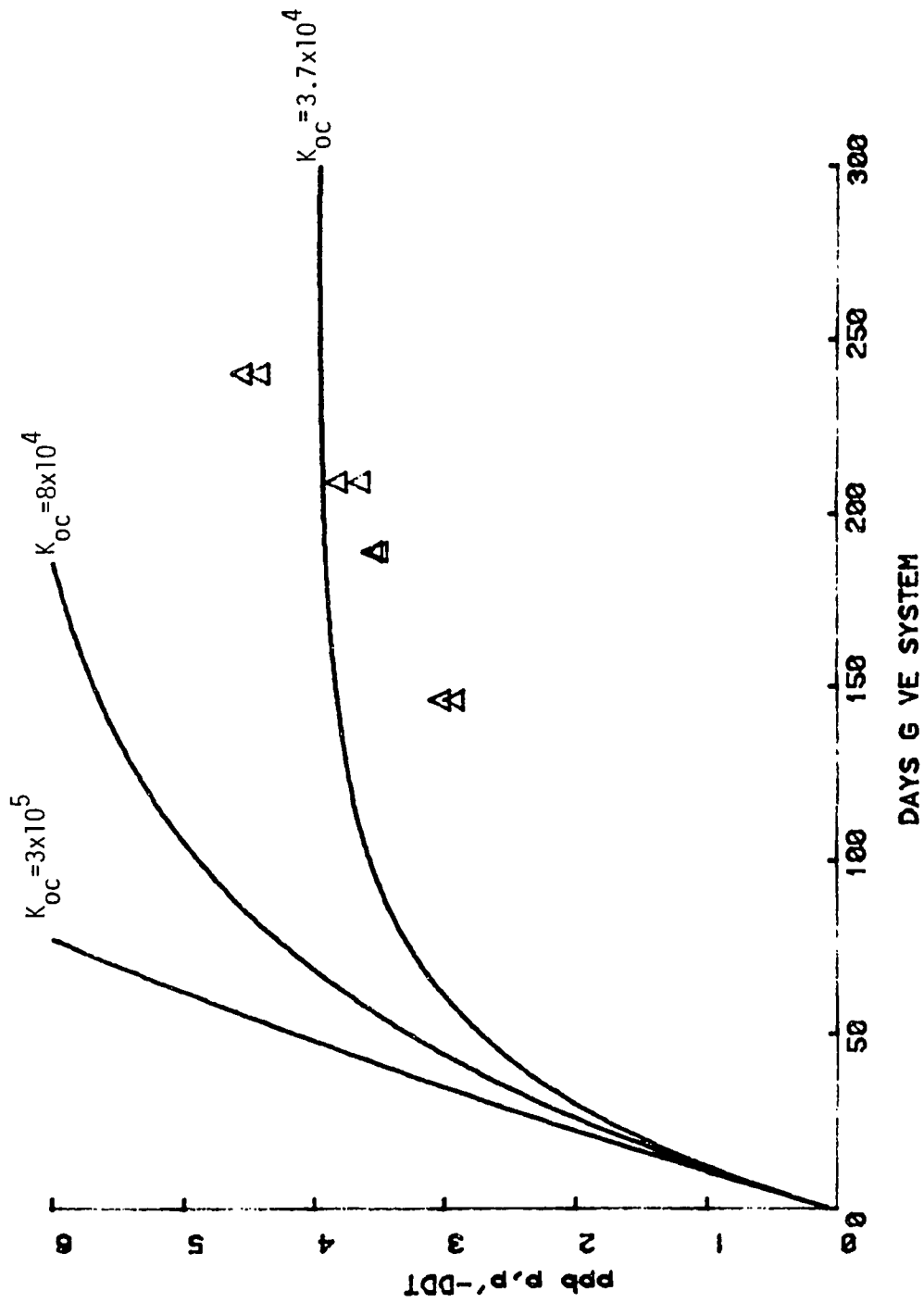


Figure 34. G VE system.

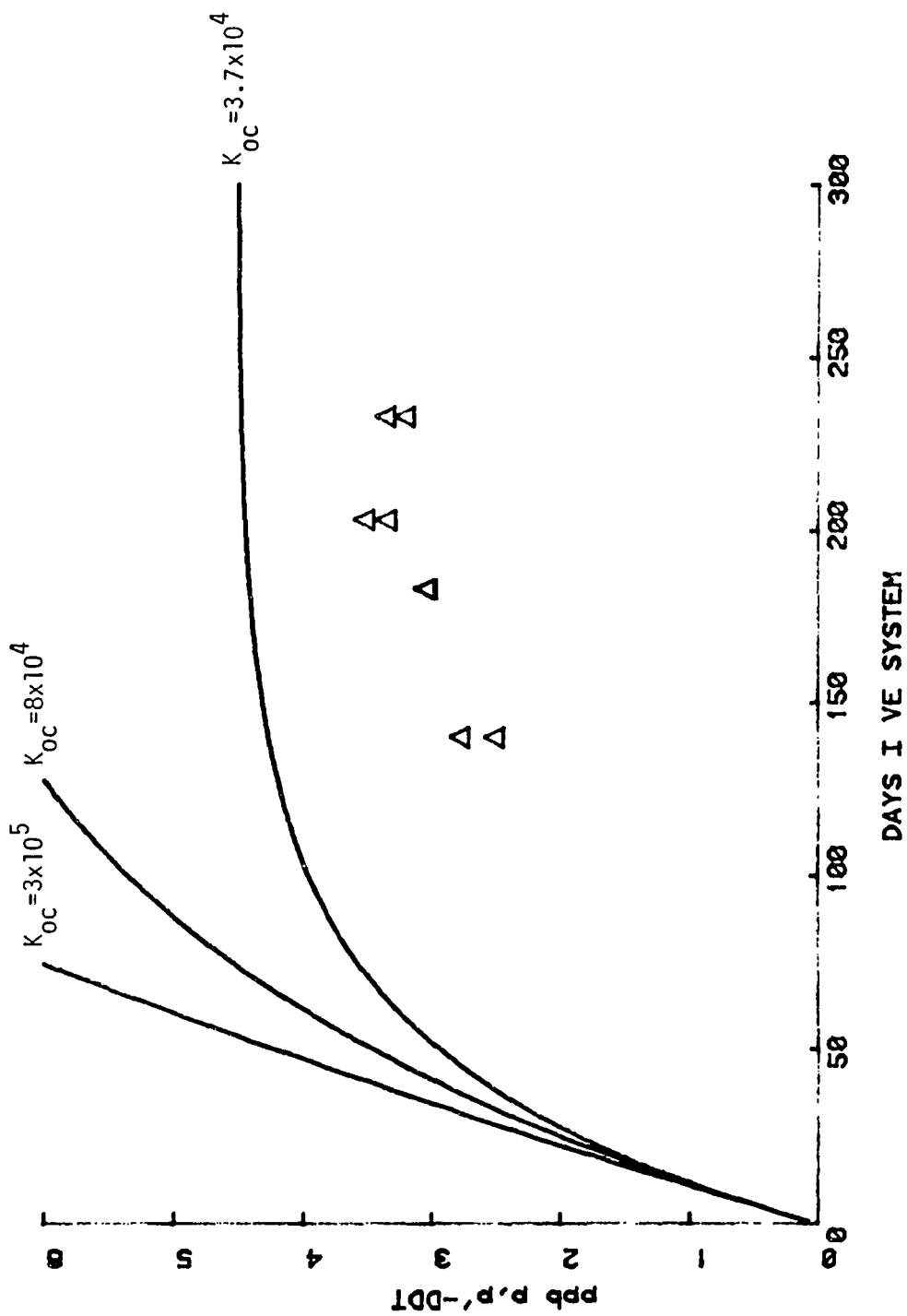


Figure 35. I VE system.

In another attempt to examine the kinetic model, the data for each DOM VE system were curve fitted by the simplex program for the optimal "a" and "b" of

$$y = a (1 - e^{-bx})$$

The resulting values of "a" and "b" are listed below, and the corresponding curves in Figures 36-44.

System	a	b
G	12.82	0.0017
I	4.10	0.0076
J	19.73	0.0011
K		
L	20.75	0.0014
M	10.22	0.0023
N	11.60	0.0023
O	6.73	0.0065
P	7.82	0.0037
Q	4.17	0.0140

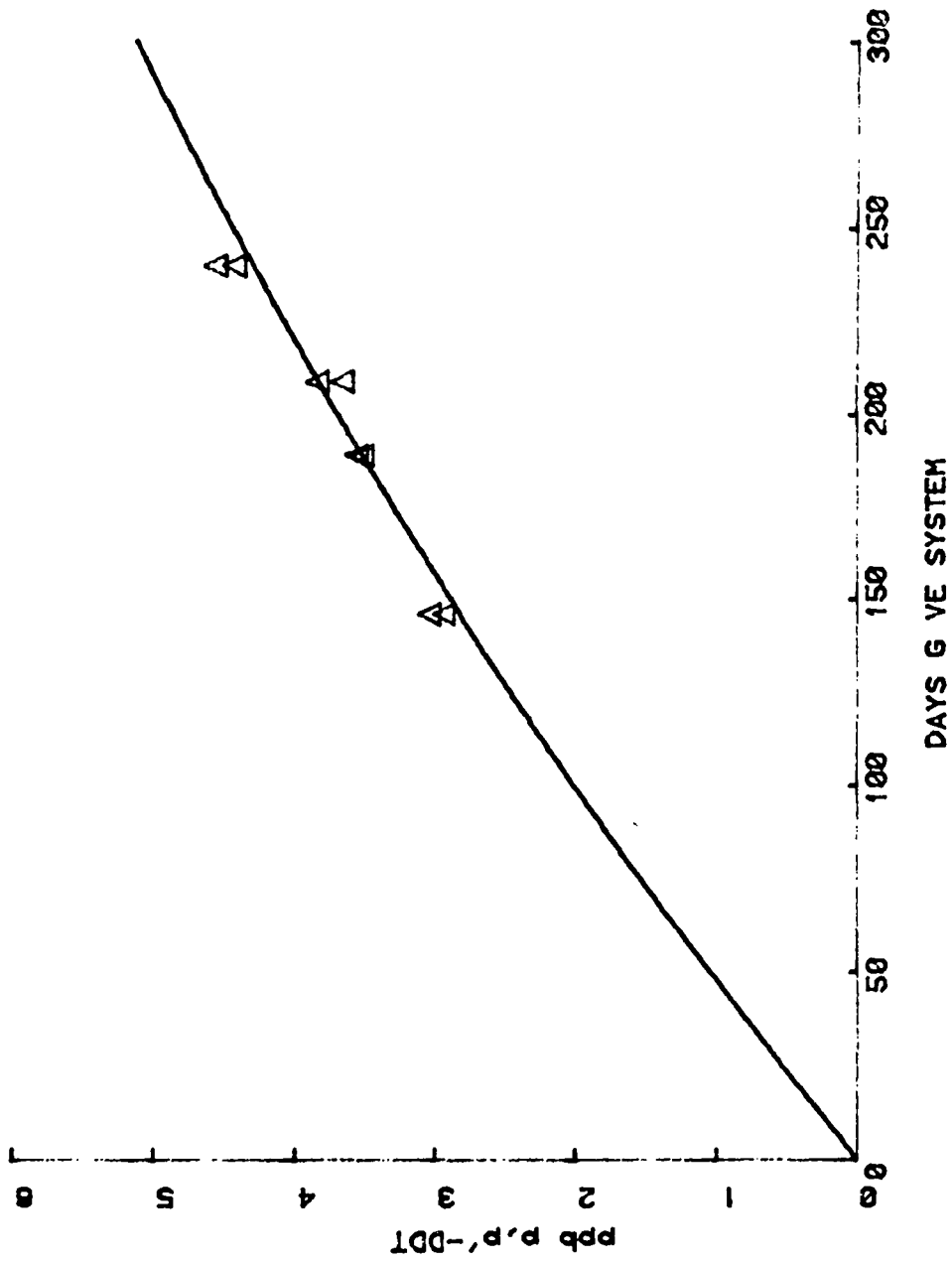


Figure 36. G VE system.

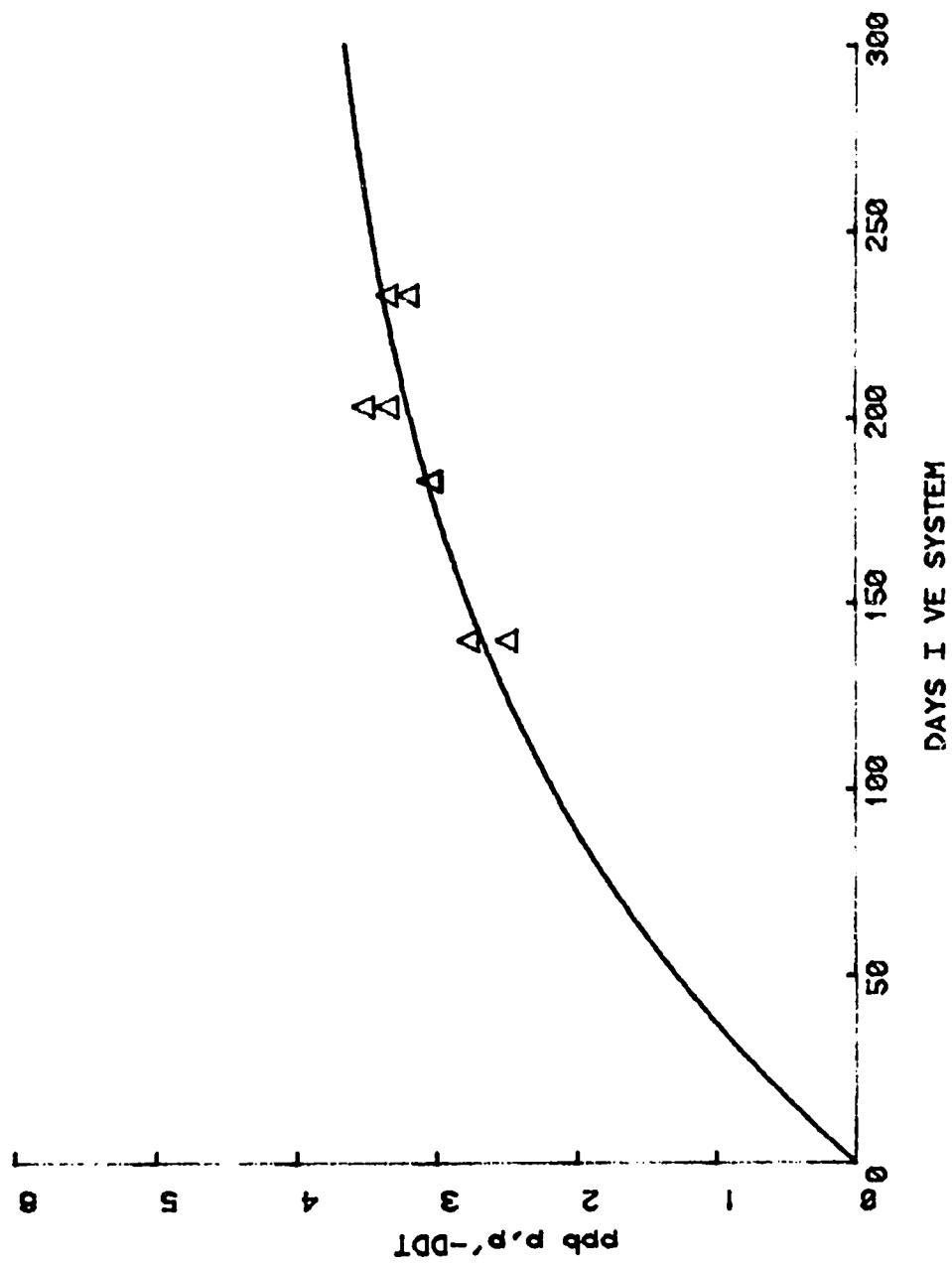


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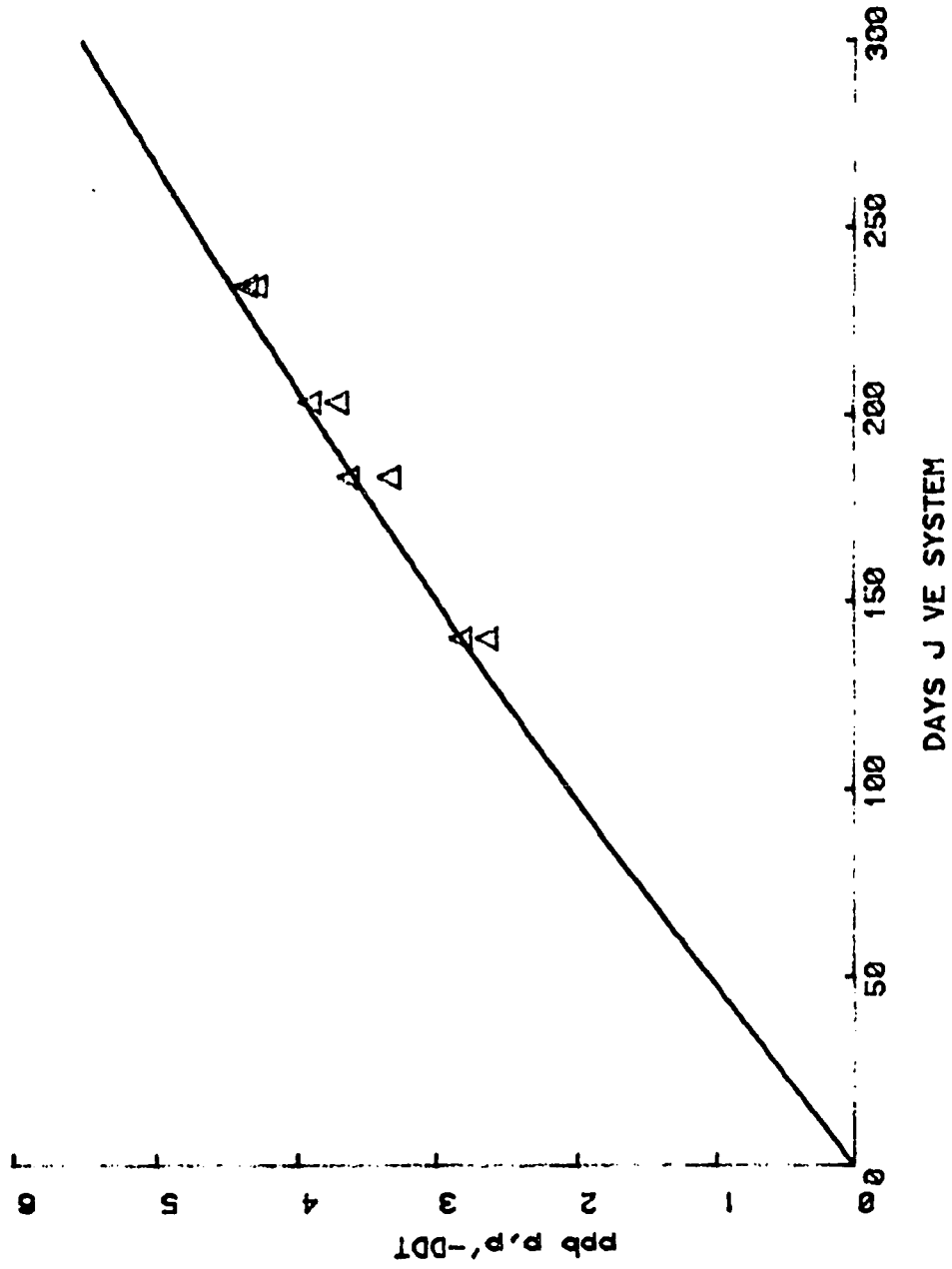


Figure 38. J VE system.

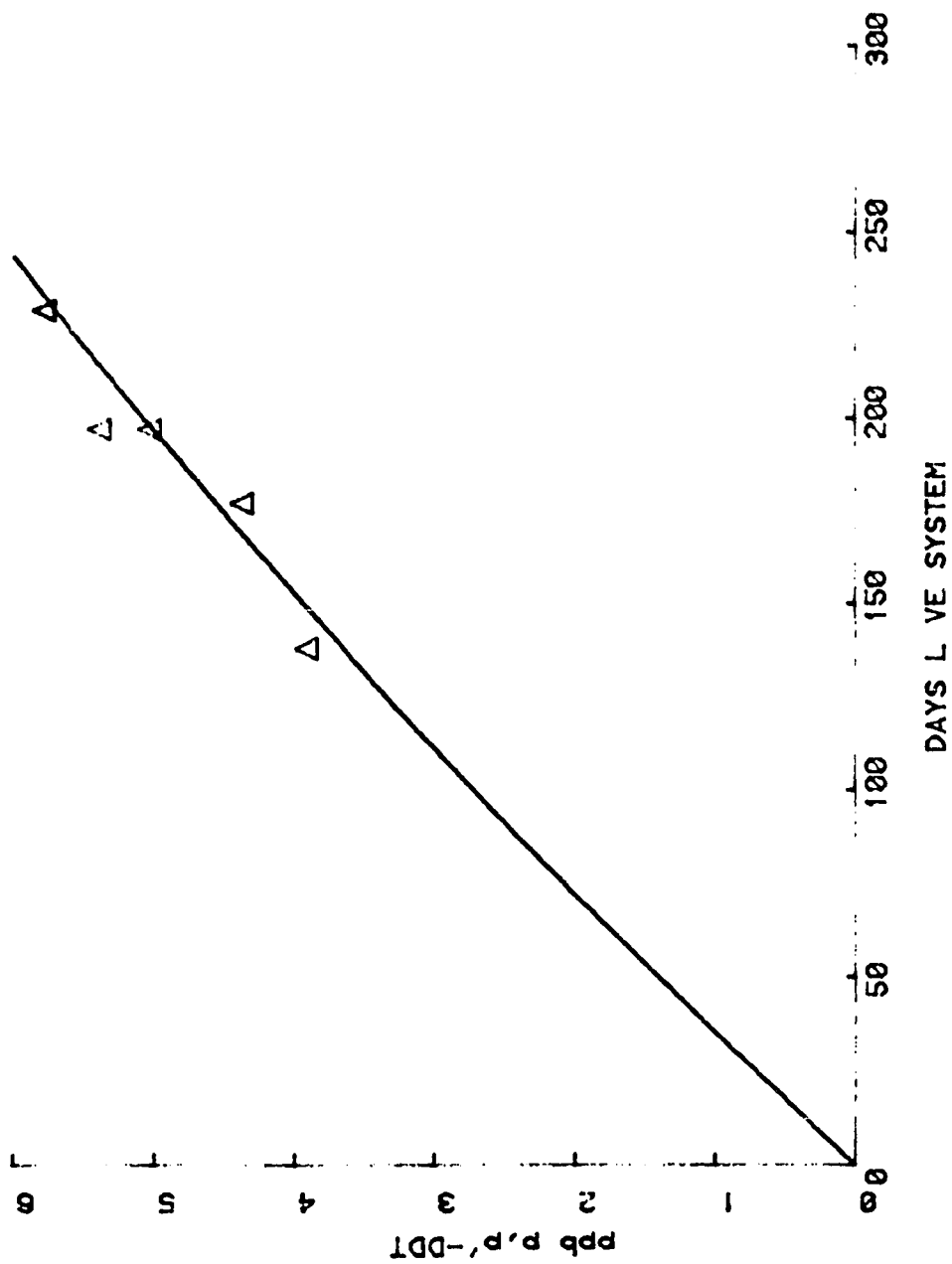


Figure 39. L VE system.



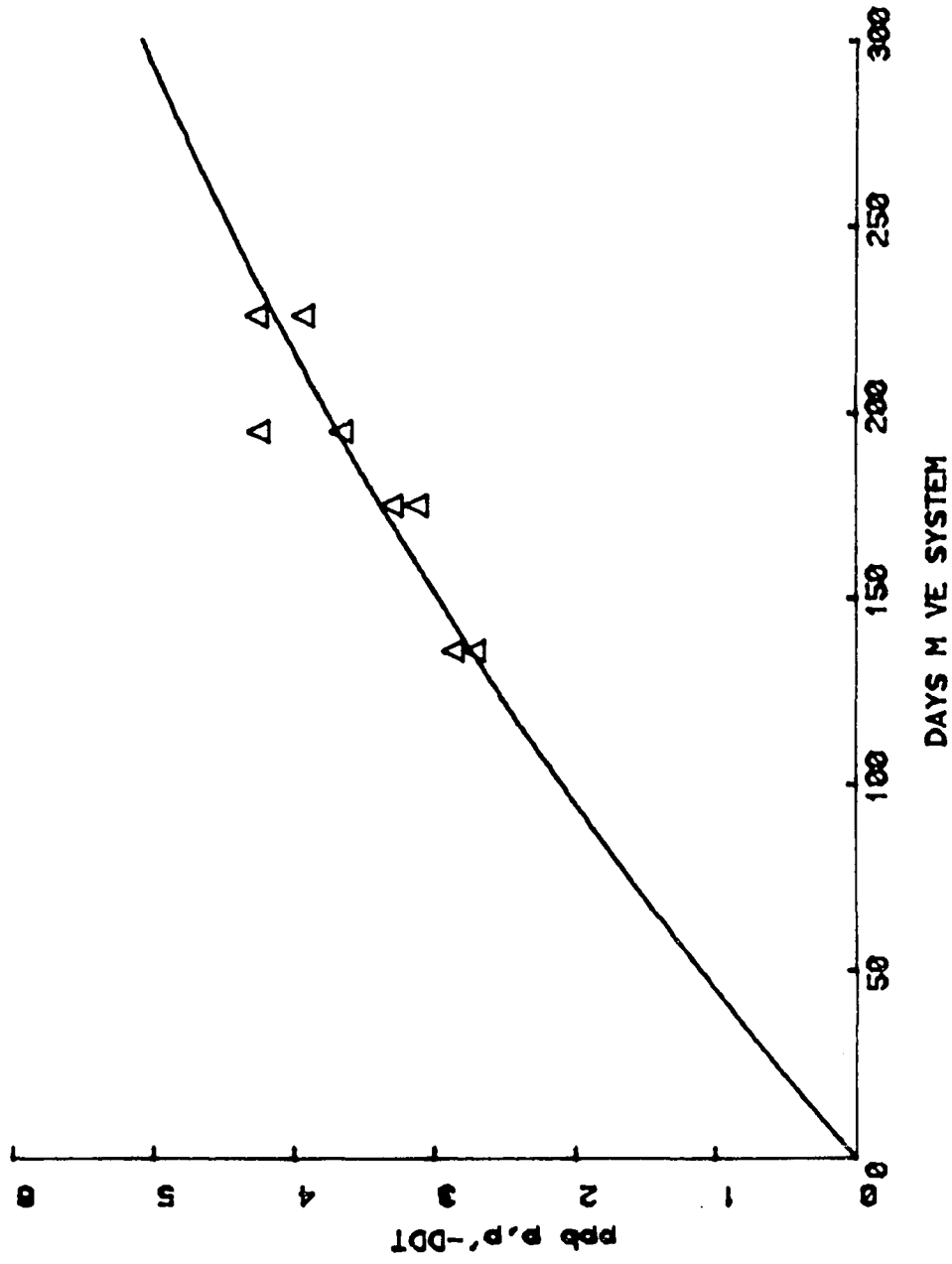


Figure 40. M VE system.

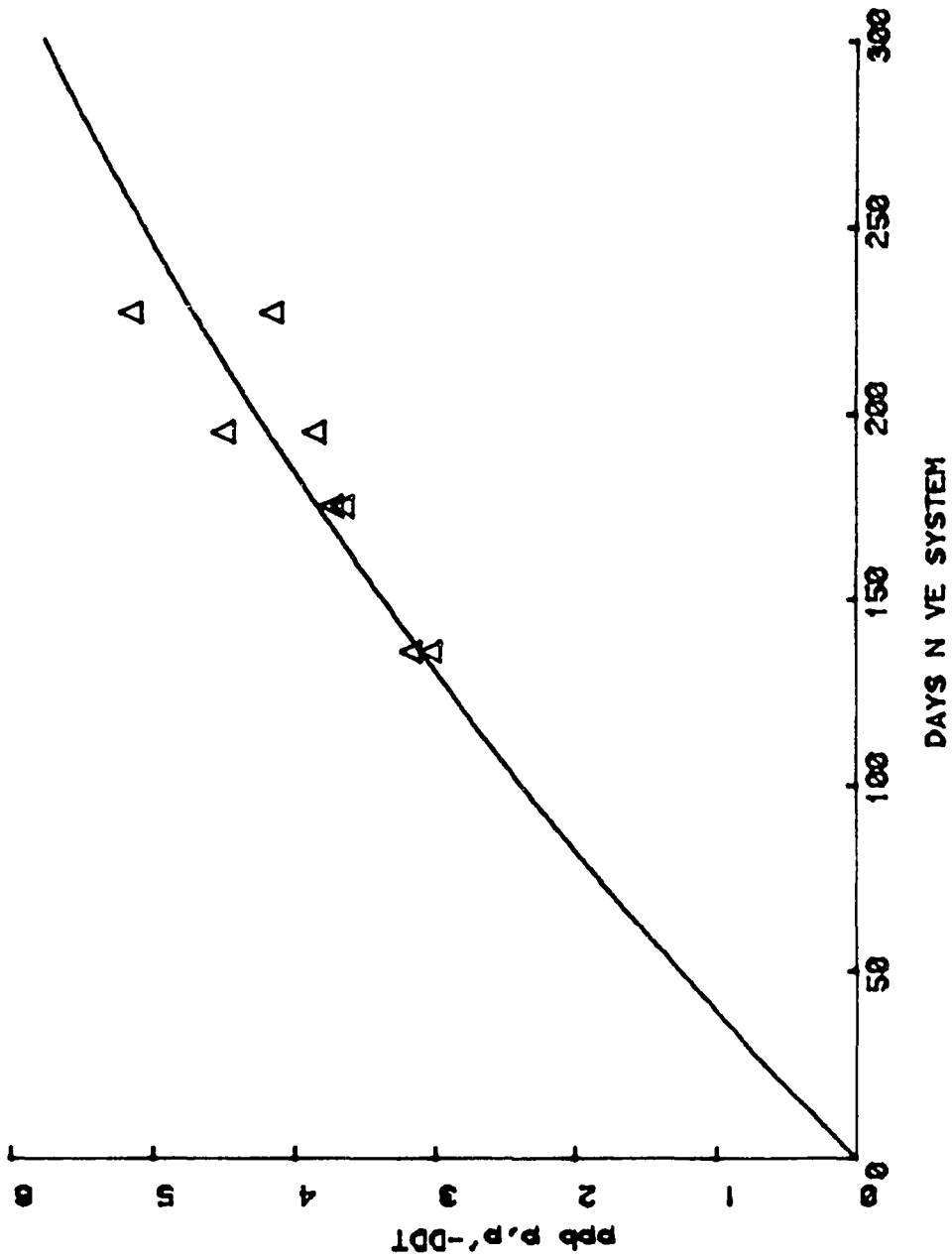


Figure 41. N VE system.

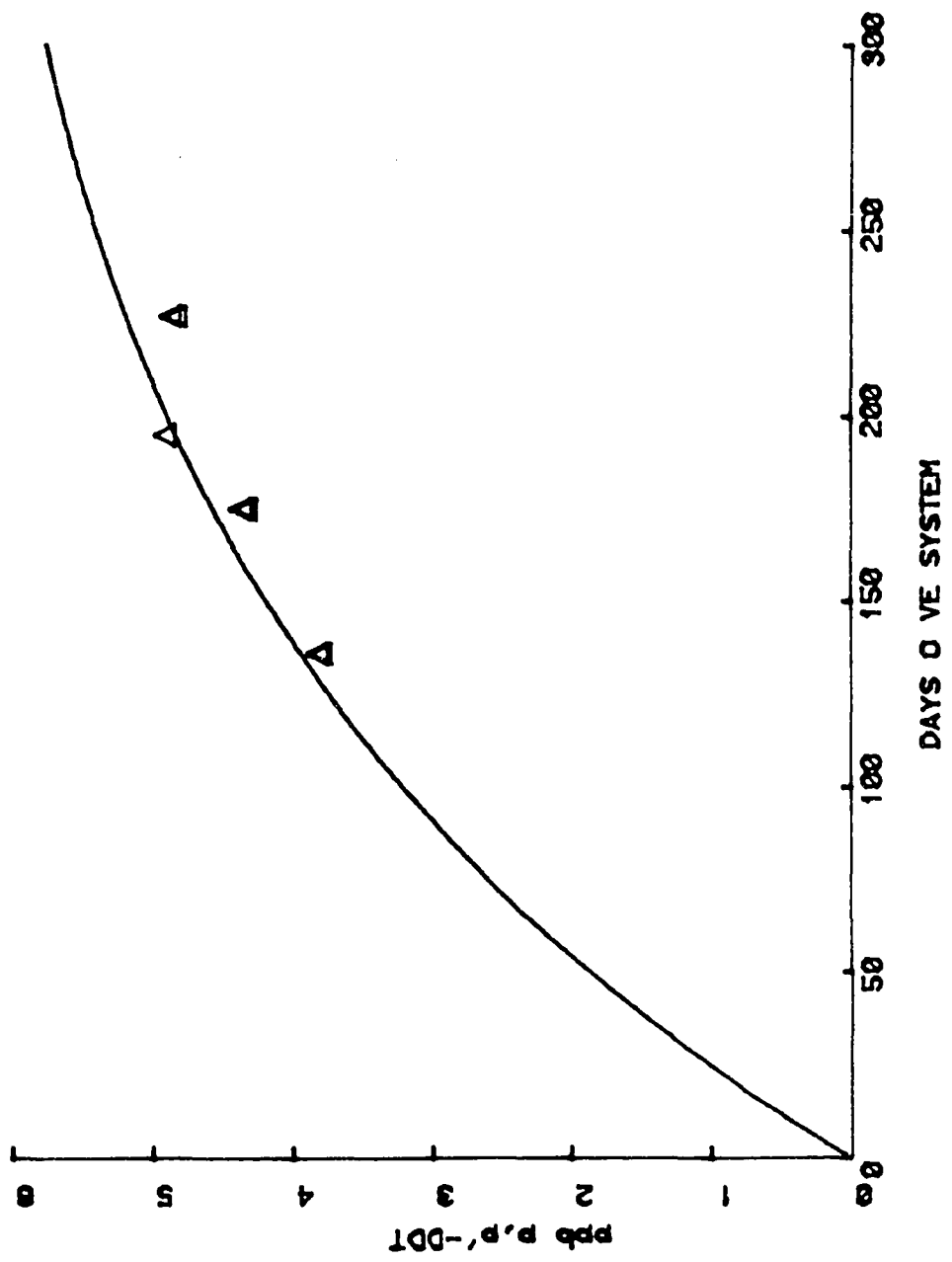


Figure 42. 0 VE system.

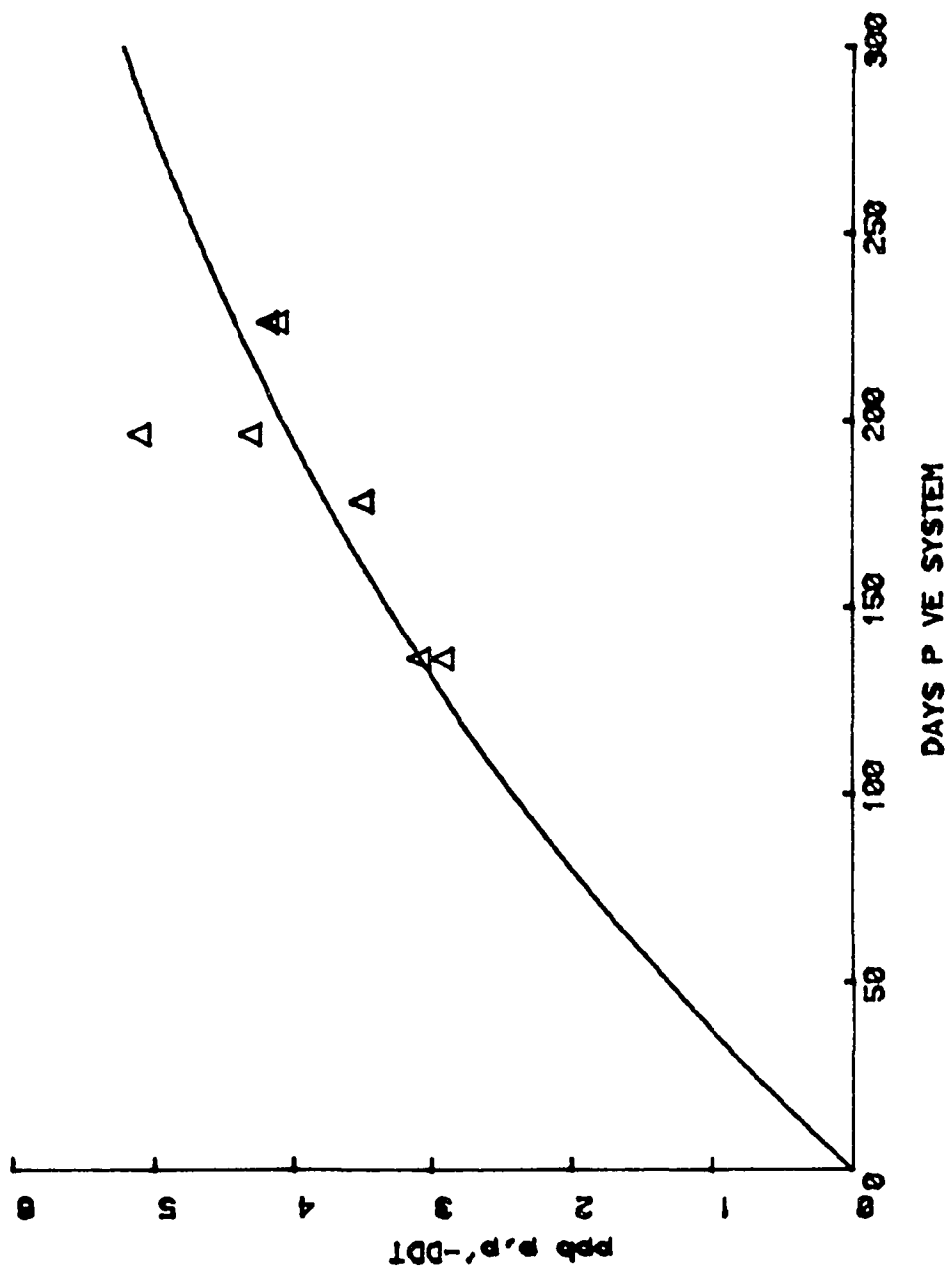


Figure 43. P VE system.

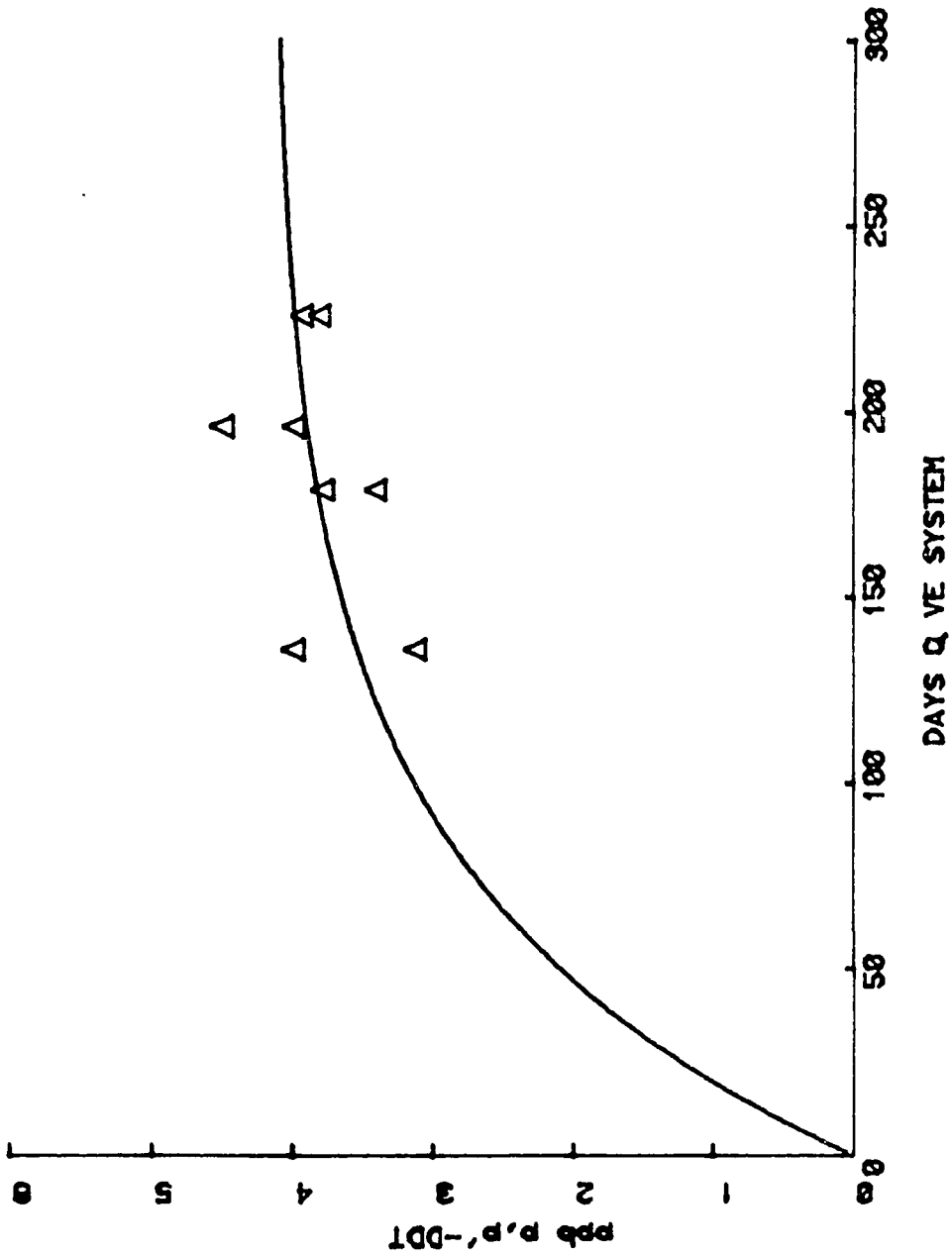


Figure 44. Q VE system.

Using the "a" and "b" values from the DOM curve fits, one can calculate the  $S_1$  and  $k_{-1}$  values from equation (1) for various assumed values of  $K_{oc}$ . Listed below are the average  $S_1$  and  $k_{-1}$  values calculated for all the DOM systems for several values of  $K_{oc}$ . Included is the previously discussed  $S_1$  and  $k_{-1}$  calculated from the curve fit of the distilled  $H_2O$  data.

	$S_1$	$k_{-1}$
DOM ( $K_{oc} = 3 \times 10^5$ )	0.023	10.8
DOM ( $K_{oc} = 1 \times 10^5$ )	0.028	5.6
DOM ( $K_{oc} = 8 \times 10^4$ )	0.029	4.7
Distilled $H_2O$	0.093	31.4

The above comparison indicates that a good curve fit requires that  $S_1$  and  $k_{-1}$  for DOM systems be markedly different from the distilled  $H_2O$  values. As previously stated, this disparity would indicate that it was incorrectly assumed that DOM did not affect the kinetics of the DDT transfer between the gas and solution phases.

In addition, the data for each DOM VE system can be analyzed by a somewhat different method. This involves calculating the best fitting curve of equation (1) for each system.  $\rho_{oc}$  is known for each solution, and the simplex program can be used to simultaneously solve for the values of  $S_1$ ,  $k_{-1}$  and  $K_{oc}$  that yield the curve of best fit. Unfortunately, there is no unique set of these three constants for the line of best fit. While  $S_1$  may be calculated as a unique value for each DOM system,  $k_{-1}$  and  $K_{oc}$  cannot be similarly evaluated. Close inspection of

the fitted equation (1) reveals that since  $H$  is  $\ll 1$ ,  $k_{-1}$  and  $K_{oc}$  appear as a ratio,

$$\frac{1 + \rho_{oc} K_{oc}}{k_{-1} H} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{k_{-1} H}{1 + \rho_{oc} K_{oc}}$$

which precludes the determination of these constants as unique values by curve fitting.

#### Modeling Analysis Summary

A mathematical model describing the kinetics of DDT transfer within a VE system can be derived. The model describes a curve of the type that can be successfully fitted to the data. Inconsistencies in fitted constants between the distilled  $H_2O$  and DOM systems indicate that simplifying assumptions made in the model derivation are not correct. As a result, the complexity of the DOM system kinetics prohibits an accurate extrapolation of the DOM data and therefore a precise determination of DDT  $K_{oc}$  values.

#### SUMMARY

The Vapor Equilibrium technique shows many advantages over other methods for determining true solubilities of low solubility compounds. An unambiguous equilibrium value is obtained, rather than an operationally defined one. As a saturated solution is approached from the low concentration side, the problems associated with removal of undissolved solute are of no concern. In this work, the length of time required for a VE system to reach equilibrium was a problem. For use with compounds

of very low vapor pressure, the method should be modified to increase the rate of equilibration attainment. As the slow step involved the volatilization of the compound from glass beads (see Discussion), this process could be accelerated by using smaller glass beads or Ballotini (very small glass beads available from Englass - Cities Service Chemicals, Limited, Columbian Division, Quebec, Canada). This would increase the surface area of the solid phase. Surface area could be increased in a number of other ways, such as coating a film of DDT on a porous solid support.

In addition, the VE technique is well suited for solubility enhancement work. An independent system can be initiated for each parameter to be investigated. With improved rapidity of equilibrium attainment, microorganisms in solution would not be a problem. Sodium azide could be added to control biological growth in solution if the azide was compatible with the experimental design. With these modifications, the Vapor Equilibrium technique can be a valuable tool in solubility work.

The solubility of p,p'-DDT in distilled water was determined to be  $1.87 \pm .01$  ppb. The solubility of the o,p'-DDT isomer in distilled water was determined to be  $4.88 \pm .03$  ppb. The concentrations of p,p'-DDT and o,p'-DDT in distilled water solutions containing dissolved organic matter (DOM) were definitely higher than the aqueous solubilities of these compounds. A minimum  $\log K_{OC}$  for both p,p'-DDT and o,p'-DDT was determined to be  $4.7 \pm .2$  log units. This value is in agreement with DDT  $K_{OC}$ 's determined for particulate organic matter (143, 171, 172). A partitioning coefficient of this magnitude indicates that under environmental conditions, the majority of DDT that is present in aqueous systems will be associated with dissolved organic matter, rather



than in true aqueous solution. This association may significantly affect the kinetics of such transformation processes as volatilization or chemical and biological degradation of DDT.

As DDT represents a class of organic compounds of low vapor pressure and low solubility, the observed association of DDT and naturally occurring dissolved organic matter may be extrapolated to other compounds in this same class. Thus, the natural DOM in rivers can play a significant role in the transport and transformation of insoluble, hydrophobic pollutants within the environment.

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## APPENDIX

Initial DDT solubility work utilized a procedure different from the vapor equilibrium system described in the main text. This earlier method involved generating a saturated DDT solution via centrifugation of a supersaturated aqueous DDT mixture. This procedure was used by others in the determination of DDT solubility (references - DDT solubility). An investigation of the centrifugation method showed it to be incapable of furnishing unambiguous solubility data in general and to be clearly unsuitable for solubility enhancement work in particular.

The specific procedure tried was as follows:

DDT was deposited in a glass Erlenmeyer flask by evaporation of 1 mL of a DDT/hexanes solution at room temperature.

After addition of 200 mL of distilled water (or the aqueous solution under investigation), the mixture was sonicated to suspend the DDT and sealed with a glass stopper.

The mixture was shaken in the flask prior to placing 33 mL in each of four stainless steel centrifuge tubes. Filtration through a 4-8  $\mu$ m glass frit prior to centrifugation was investigated and found not to be beneficial.

The centrifuge tubes were sealed with stainless steel caps fitted with fluorocarbon polymer seals, and the aqueous mixture was centrifuged at 44,100 G and 20°C for 18 hours (Beckman L2-65B preparative ultracentrifuge, Ti 60 rotor).

After centrifugation, an Allen set screw was removed from the tube caps to allow withdrawal by syringe of a 50 mL composite aliquot from the supernatant solutions in the four tubes.

The 50 mL sample of the supernatant solutions was extracted, dried, concentrated and analyzed by EC-GLC in a manner similar to that outlined in the text.

After considerable effort, the centrifugation method was found to be unsatisfactory as a procedure for obtaining saturated aqueous DDT solutions. One problem with this technique is that a "saturated solution" becomes operationally defined. That is, the supernatant concentration of DDT is dependent on the centrifugation parameters (150, 174). The particular centrifugation conditions used in this study (25,000 RPM, 18 hours, Ti 60 rotor) theoretically would remove DDT particles with a diameter greater than  $69 \text{ \AA}$  ( $6.9 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$ ) (149). These conditions were similar to those used in previous DDT/H<sub>2</sub>O solubility work, and distilled H<sub>2</sub>O/DDT concentrations in the supernatant liquid were in agreement with other centrifugation solubility determinations (1.0-2.0 ppb) (149, 150). The problem lies in the fact that it is difficult to relate a true saturated solution to a supernatant concentration of DDT generated by a specific set of centrifugation parameters. An operationally defined concentration of DDT in the supernate would be reproducible, but may not represent a saturated solution.

An additional problem was discovered when an attempt was made to obtain a DDT mass balance on the centrifugation step. With initial mixture concentrations of  $\sim 10$  ppb (after sonification), only  $\sim 50\%$  of the DDT was recovered after centrifugation. Post-centrifugation recovery included:

- (1) DDT in the composite 50 mL supernatant aliquot;
- (2) DDT in the remaining liquid in the tubes plus exhaustive extraction of the tube walls (sometimes analyzed separately from the residual liquid; and
- (3) DDT extracted from tube caps and seals.

A typical mass balance data set follows:

Pre-centrifuge

$11.5 \times 10^{-7}$  g DDT

Post-centrifuge

$1.1 \pm .1 \times 10^{-7}$  g DDT (supernatant solution)

$2.2 \pm .2 \times 10^{-7}$  g DDT (residual liquid and tube walls)

$\sim 2.7 \times 10^{-7}$  g DDT (tube caps and seals)

Total recovery:  $6.0 \pm .3 \times 10^{-7}$  g DDT (52%)

Further mass balance work showed that the centrifugation step involved the loss of a constant amount of DDT, not a constant fraction of the initial mixture. Thus, higher initial concentrations of DDT (50 ppb) yielded almost 100% recoveries, although the same amount of DDT was still being lost during centrifugation. Precisely what happened to the unrecovered DDT was not discovered. Perhaps it leaked past the cap seals and escaped to the atmosphere.

In addition, the concentration of DDT in the supernate was found to depend to some degree on the pre-centrifugation DDT loading. It appeared that the centrifuge was effectively removing no more than  $\sim 83$  percent of the total DDT. That is, an initial mixture of 60 to 70 ppb



DDT would yield a supernatant concentration of 10 to 12 ppb. The inability to obtain consistent supernatant concentrations from varying initial loadings made this method particularly unsuitable for solubility enhancement work. If one is looking for an increase in DDT supernatant concentrations, it is impractical to be limited to initial DDT loadings of only six times DDT/distilled H<sub>2</sub>O levels.

For these reasons (operationally defined "solubility", unexplained loss of DDT during process and limitation of initial loading), centrifugation was deemed unsatisfactory as a method of obtaining saturated aqueous DDT solutions for this work.

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 4 GO TO 100
 8 GO TO 146
12 GO TO 718
16 GO TO 154
100 PRINT
102 PRINT "          SIMPLEX CURVE FITTING "
104 N=5
106 PRINT
108 PRINT "          USER DEFINABLE KEYS "
110 PRINT
112 PRINT "      KEY          FUNCTION "
114 PRINT "      ----          -"
116 PRINT "      1          RECALL MENU "
118 PRINT "      2          DATA ENTRY "
120 PRINT "      3          DATA CHECK "
122 PRINT "      4          SIMPLEX CURVE FIT "
124 PRINT
126 PRINT
128 PRINT
130 PRINT
132 PRINT "USER DEFINABLE KEY #1 RECALLS MENU AT ANY TIME"
134 PRINT
136 PRINT "WHEN YOU ARE READY TO START, ENTER ""GO"" "
138 INPUT Z$
140 PAGE
142 IF Z$="GO" THEN 146
144 GO TO 100
146 PRINT
148 REM
150 REM
152 GO TO 704
154 GOSUB 688
156 G4=1.0E+40
158 N9=N
160 PRINT @32,26:2
162 G9=0
164 DELETE G8
166 GO TO 190
168 REM INIT
170 RETURN
172 REM
174 GOSUB 636
176 Y9=SQR(Y9)
178 IF G4<Y9 THEN 186
180 G9=G9+1
182 G4=Y9
184 G8=V
186 PRINT Y9,G4/Y9,G9
188 RETURN
190 PRINT "LNUMBER OF VARIABLES (1,2,OR 3)= ";
192 INPUT N
194 IF N<1 OR N>3 THEN 200

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196 DIM G8(N)
198 GO TO N OF 210,210,204
200 PRINT "GGG"
202 GO TO 190
204 PRINT
206 PRINT "Roc FOR ";R$;" VE SYSTEM = ";
208 INPUT R0
210 N1=N+1
212 DELETE V,B0,S0,S1,E$,C0
214 DIM V(N),B0(N1,N1),S0(N),S1(N),E$(1),C0(N,3)
216 PRINT "JDO YOU,ISH TO ENTER STEP SIZE ? ";
218 INPUT E$
220 IF E$="Y" THEN 236
222 PRINT "L ENTER STARTING VALUES"
224 FOR I1=1 TO N
226 PRINT "JSTARTING VALUE FOR V(";I1;") = ";
228 INPUT S0(I1)
230 S1(I1)=0.1*ABS(S0(I1))
232 NEXT I1
234 GO TO 250
236 PRINT "L ENTER STARTING VALUES AND STEP SIZEJ"
238 FOR I1=1 TO N
240 PRINT "STARTING VALUE AND STEP SIZE FOR VARIABLE"
242 PRINT "";I1;" = ";
244 INPUT S0(I1),S1(I1)
246 PAGE
248 NEXT I1
250 E1=1.0E-6
252 PRINT "JJCONVERGENCE TEST VALUE = ";
254 INPUT E1
256 Z8=1
258 Z5=1
260 PRINT "JCONVERGENCE IS TESTED EVERY ";Z8;" ITERATIONS."
262 PRINT "DO YOU WISH TO CHANGE THIS FREQUENCY ? ";
264 INPUT E$
266 IF E$<>"Y" THEN 272
268 PRINT "JCHECK FOR CONVERGENCE WITH FREQUENCY ? ";
270 INPUT Z8
272 PRINT "JRESULTS ARE PRINTED EVERY ";Z5;" ITERATIONS."
274 PRINT "DO YOU WISH TO CHANGE THIS FREQUENCY ? ";
276 INPUT E$
278 IF E$<>"Y" THEN 284
280 PRINT "JPRINT RESULTS WITH FREQUENCY ? ";
282 INPUT Z5
284 A9=1
286 B9=0.5
288 C9=2
290 Z7=0
292 Z4=0
294 FOR I1=1 TO N
296 B0(I1,N1)=S0(I1)
298 NEXT I1

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300 FOR I1=1 TO N
302 S0(I1)=S0(I1)+S1(I1)
304 FOR J1=1 TO N
306 B0(J1,I1)=S0(J1)
308 NEXT J1
310 S0(I1)=S0(I1)-S1(I1)
312 NEXT I1
314 Z0=1
316 FOR I1=1 TO N
318 V(I1)=B0(I1,Z0)
320 NEXT I1
322 IF Z0>1 THEN 326
324 GOSUB 168
326 GOSUB 172
328 B0(N1,Z0)=Y9
330 Z0=Z0+1
332 IF Z0<=N1 THEN 316
334 Z9=N1
336 H8=B0(N1,1)
338 H9=1
340 L9=1
342 L8=H8
344 FOR I1=2 TO N1
346 IF H8=>B0(N1,I1) THEN 354
348 H8=B0(N1,I1)
350 H9=I1
352 GO TO 360
354 IF L8<=B0(N1,I1) THEN 360
356 L8=B0(N1,I1)
358 L9=I1
360 NEXT I1
362 C0=0
364 FOR I1=1 TO N1
366 IF I1=H9 THEN 374
368 FOR J1=1 TO N
370 C0(J1,1)=C0(J1,1)+B0(J1,I1)
372 NEXT J1
374 NEXT I1
376 FOR I1=1 TO N
378 C0(I1,1)=C0(I1,1)/N
380 C0(I1,2)=(1+A9)*C0(I1,1)-A9*B0(I1,H9)
382 V(I1)=C0(I1,2)
384 NEXT I1
386 GOSUB 172
388 Z9=Z9+1
390 F1=Y9
392 IF Y9=>L8 THEN 428
394 FOR I1=1 TO N
396 C0(I1,3)=(1-C9)*C0(I1,1)+C9*C0(I1,2)
398 V(I1)=C0(I1,3)
400 NEXT I1
402 GOSUB 172
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404 Z9=Z9+1
406 IF Y9=>LB THEN 418
408 FOR I1=1 TO N
410 B0(I1,H9)=V(I1)
412 NEXT I1
414 B0(N1,H9)=Y9
416 GO TO 510
418 FOR I1=1 TO N
420 B0(I1,H9)=C0(I1,2)
422 NEXT I1
424 B0(N1,H9)=F1
426 GO TO 510
428 J1=0
430 FOR I1=1 TO N1
432 IF I1=H9 OR F1<B0(N1,I1) THEN 436
434 J1=J1+1
436 NEXT I1
438 IF J1<N THEN 418
440 IF F1>H8 THEN 452
442 FOR I1=1 TO N
444 B0(I1,H9)=C0(I1,2)
446 NEXT I1
448 B0(N1,H9)=F1
450 H8=F1
452 FOR I1=1 TO N
454 C0(I1,3)=B9*B0(I1,H9)+(1-B9)*C0(I1,1)
456 V(I1)=C0(I1,3)
458 NEXT I1
460 GOSUB 172
462 Z9=Z9+1
464 F1=Y9
466 IF F1>H8 THEN 478
468 FOR I1=1 TO N
470 B0(I1,H9)=C0(I1,3)
472 NEXT I1
474 B0(N1,H9)=F1
476 GO TO 510
478 FOR I1=1 TO N1
480 IF I1=L9 THEN 488
482 FOR J1=1 TO N
484 B0(J1,I1)=0.5*(B0(J1,I1)+B0(J1,L9))
486 NEXT J1
488 NEXT I1
490 Z0=1
492 IF Z0=L9 THEN 504
494 FOR I1=1 TO N
496 V(I1)=B0(I1,Z0)
498 NEXT I1
500 GOSUB 172
502 B0(N1,Z0)=Y9
504 Z0=Z0+1
506 IF Z0<N1 THEN 492
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508 Z9=Z9+N
510 S2=0
512 Z7=Z7+1
514 Z4=Z4+1
516 IF Z7<Z8 AND Z4<Z5 THEN 336
518 L9=1
520 L8=B0(N1,1)
522 FOR I1=1 TO N1
524 S2=S2+B0(N1,I1)
526 IF L8<=B0(N1,I1) THEN 532
528 L9=I1
530 L8=B0(N1,I1)
532 NEXT I1
534 S2=S2/N1
536 F1=0
538 FOR I1=1 TO N1
540 F1=F1+(B0(N1,I1)-S2)^2
542 NEXT I1
544 F1=F1/N
546 IF F1<=E1 THEN 564
548 IF Z4=Z5 THEN 554
550 Z7=0
552 GO TO 336
554 GOSUB 590
556 Z7=Z7*(Z7<Z8)
558 Z4=0
560 GO TO 336
562 GO TO 336
564 GOSUB 590
566 PAGE
568 PRINT "JJGCONVERGENCE HAS BEEN OBTAINED ";
570 PRINT "WITH VARIANCE LESS THAN ";E1
572 DELETE S0
574 FOR I=1 TO N
576 PRINT "JV(";I;") = ";G8(I)
578 NEXT I
580 PRINT "JJDEGREE OF FIT : ";G4; " ";Z9;" EVALUATIONS"
582 N=N9
584 PRINT @32,26:0
586 END
588 RUN 1850
590 H9=1
592 L8=B0(N1,1)*(L9>1)+B0(N1,2)*(L9=1)
594 FOR I1=1 TO N1
596 IF I1=L9 OR B0(N1,I1)>L8 THEN 602
598 L8=B0(N1,I1)
600 H9=I1
602 NEXT I1
604 PRINT " BEST ANSWER NEXT BEST ANSWER % DIFFERENCE"
606 FOR I1=1 TO N
608 IF I1>9 THEN 614
610 PRINT "V(";I1;") : ";

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612 GO TO 620
614 PRINT "V(";I1;") : ";
616 D4=B0(I1,L9)
618 D5=B0(I1,H9)
620 PRINT D4,D5,(D4-D5)/D4*100
622 NEXT I1
624 PRINT "JFUNCTION VALUES:"
626 PRINT " ";
628 PRINT B0(N1,L9),B0(N1,H9)
630 PRINT "JJVARIANCE = ";F1
632 PRINT " NUMBER OF FUNCTION EVALUATIONS = ";Z9
634 RETURN
636 Y9=0
638 DIM F(Z1)
640 GO TO N OF 642,652,664
642 A=V(1)
644 FOR I=1 TO Z1
646 F(I)=(1.82+1.82*A)*(1-EXP(X(I)*-0.0509/(1.002+A)))
648 NEXT I
650 GO TO 680
652 A=V(1)
654 B=V(2)
656 FOR I=1 TO Z1
658 F(I)=A*(1-EXP(B*X(I)))
660 NEXT I
662 GO TO 680
664 K1=V(1)
666 K2=V(2)
668 K0=V(3)
670 FOR I=1 TO Z1
672 F(I)=K1*(1+R0*K0)/(0.00162*K2)
674 F(I)=F(I)*(1-EXP(X(I)*(-0.00162*K2)/(1.00162+R0*K0)))
676 NEXT I
678 GO TO 680
680 FOR I=1 TO Z1
682 Y9=Y9+(Y(I)-F(I))^2
684 NEXT I
686 RETURN
688 REM
690 Z1=N
692 DIM X(Z1),Y(Z1)
694 FOR I=1 TO Z1
696 X(I)=R(I,1)
698 Y(I)=R(I,2)
700 NEXT I
702 RETURN
704 PRINT "HOW MANY SETS OF DATA ? ";
706 INPUT N
708 DELETE R
710 DIM R(N,2)
712 PAGE
714 PRINT "ENTER DATA : "X(1),Y(1)" RETURN ,ETC."

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716 INPUT R
718 PAGE
720 PRINT "SET NUMBER", "X VALUE", "Y VALUE"
722 PRINT
724 FOR I=1 TO N
726 PRINT I,R(I,1),R(I,2)
728 NEXT I
730 PRINT
732 PRINT
734 PRINT "IS DATA CORRECT ? (Y OR N) ";
736 INPUT Z$
738 IF Z$="Y" THEN 154
740 PRINT
742 PRINT "WHICH SET NUMBER DO YOU WISH TO CHANGE ? ";
744 INPUT S
746 IF 0<S AND S<N+1 THEN 754
748 PRINT
750 PRINT "SET MUST BE BETWEEN 1 AND ";N
752 GO TO 740
754 PRINT
756 PRINT "SET NUMBER", "OLD X", "OLD Y"
758 PRINT S,R(S,1),R(S,2)
760 PRINT
762 PRINT "ENTER CORRECT X ";
764 INPUT R(S,1)
766 PRINT "ENTER CORRECT Y ";
768 INPUT R(S,2)
770 GO TO 718
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