

Physioal and chemioal behaviour of 80lle pesticides applied to solie soils

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Results obtained in the present invesUgatQ1l will be discussed from the followirlg view po1n.ts; adsorption, d01Ulwardmoveme.ut,1eachabl1t7, persistence and metabolism of D1methoate and Fenvalerate pesticides as well as some factors influencing their behaviour in differen.t sol1 t7pes.

5.1. Adsorption. of Dimethoate and Fenvalerate on cla7 minerals and soils.

5.1.1. AdsorptiQll mechanism of D1methoate and Fenvalerate:

With regard to the effect of time on the adsorptiCll of Dimethoate 011 the different adsorbents IUlder investigation, results show that increas1n.g the time of contact between Dimeth08te in solutiQll and the adsorbent was followed by the 1n.crease of the amount adsorbed of Dimeth08te IUIU1 it reached a maximum matter which itin.4icated an equilibrium; the t1llle required to reach equi1ibr~UIDcQll ditiQll was, 25, 25, 20, 15 an.44 III1 ntJtestor bentOll1te. attapulg1te, ca1careOll8 8011.sandy clay lo~ soil and kaolinite respectively. Concerning the adsorption mechanism of Fenvalerate on different adsorbents under investigation; it reached its equilibrium conditions in few seconds after contact between Fenvalerate and different adsorbents.

5.1.2. Effect of Dillethoate and Fenvalerate concentration on the rates of their adsorption on different adsorbents :

The amounts of Dimethoate and Fenvalerate adsorbed per gram adsorbent; i.e.; X/m was increased by increasing the concentration until it reached maximum. Langmuirequation was used to represent the adsorption of Dimethoate and Fenvalerate, a linear isotherms were obtained except in case of adsorption of Fenvalerate on attapulguE Sll d sandy c lay loam soil. Freundlich equatiOll fitted the adsorption of Dimethoate and Fenvalerate on all the adsorbants used, i.e., bantonite, kaolinite, attapulgite, sandy clay loam soil and calcareous soil, except in case of high concentratiQlls of Fenvalerate on attapulBite (more than 0.004 molar).

5.1.3. Effect of adsorbent types on adsorption of Dimet~te and Penyalerate.

The effect of adsorbent types on the adsorptiOll of the two pesticides showed that the amount of adsorbed D1methoate was as follows: Bentonite > calcareous soil > sendy clay loam soil > attapulgite > Kaol1.nite; while for Penvslerate itw••s: attapulgih > Kaol1.nite > bentonite > calcareous soil > sandy clay loam soil.

5.2. Effect of some factors on the downward movement and leachi.B8 of D1methate and J.i'envslerate 1.nsoils :

5.2.1. Dilletho-i1te:

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The higher binding of Dimethoate was recorded with sandy clay loam soil followed by calcareous soil. The rate at Dimethoate detected on soil was increased with depth. The amounts of remained D1methoate in the third layer (10-15 cm) of both sandy clay loam and calcareous sOils>seCOAdlayer (5-10 em)»top layer (0-5 cm) the obtai.lled results revealed that the greatest downward movement of Dimethoete occurred with calcareous soil followed by sandy clay loam soil.

5.2.1.2. Effect of Dimethoate concentration on thei.lsecticidemobility.

The higher the concentration of Dimethoate used, the higher the alloWlts remained on soil surface and the higher the downward movement and vice versa. The higher leachability of Dimethoate occurred with the lowest concentration used.

5.2.1.3. ~ffect of water volume on Dimethoate mobility:

The higher the volume of water used." i:he lower the binding on soil surface occurred, and the higher the amoWlts of Dimethoate removed downward through soil columns. The higher the volume of water added.1the higher the leaohability rate obtai.lled.

5.2.2. Fenvalerate:

5.2.2.1. Effect of soil type on Fenvalerate mobility:

With Fenvalerate, it was completely adsorbed on the top layer of both so~ clay loam and calcareous sol1s (100%), ~ffect of Fenvalerate concentration on the insecticide mobility. In the three used concen:trraions (0.1, 0.2 and 0.3g), the

binding on the surface of the top layer (0-5 Col) amounted 100%. 5.2.2.3. Effect of water volume on Fenvalerate mobility: increasing the amount of leaching water had no influence on the downward movement of Fenvalerate in soil columns, since 100% of the Fenvalerate remained on the surface of the top layer.

5.3. Persistence of Dimethoate and Fenvalerate in sandy clay loam and calcareous soils under laboratory conditions. Concerning the persistence of Dimethoate in the two tested soils, results indicated that degradation in calcareous soil > sandy clay loam soil. The percentage of recovered Dimethoate amounted 60.22 and 38.71% for sandy clay loam and calcareous soils respectively after 120 days. The rate of fenvalerate degradation was higher in calcareous soil than in sandy clay loam soil. Increasing the time of exposure after treatment increased the rate of Fenvalerate degradation.

5.4. Degradation products of Dimethoate and Fenvalerate in soils.

5.4.1. Preparation and identification of Dimethoate metabolites.

5.4.1.1. Hydrolysis with aqueous sodium hydroxide. Concerning the hydrolysis of Dimethoate using NaOH, 4 compounds were appeared in a LC chromatogram at Rt 120, 216, 288 and 336 sec. The compound at Rt 336 sec. was separated using TIC technique and identified as follows: the empirical formula was found to be C₃H₇O₂S₂N₂. UV spectrum showed maximum absorption at 222 nm, IR spectrum is involved. The mass spectrum showed molecular ion at m/e 105, the GLC chromatogram showed Rt at 336 sec.

5.4.1.2. Oxidation at room temperature: Cool oxidation product using acidic potassium permanganate was identified as follows: elementary analysis showed C 30.5%; H, 6.3%; N 5.8%; S, 11.0%; P 14.4% and O, 32.0%. , UV spectrum showed maximum absorption at 242 nm, IR spectrum was involved and mass spectrum showed molecular ion at m/e 214. Rt was at 120 sec.

5.4.1.3. Hot oxidation: Hot oxidation product using acidic potassium permanganate was identified as follows: UV spectrum showed maximum absorption at 320, 395 and 415 nm, IR spectrum was accomplished, mass spectrum showed molecular ion (M⁺) at m/e. 184 and GLC showed that Rt was at 288 sec.

5.4.2. Degradation products of Dimethoate in sandy clay loam and calcareous soils: Dimethoate was metabolised in the two soils to 5 compounds at Rt 36, 60, 120, 216 and 288 sec., another sixth compound was found in the extraction of the calcareous soil at Rt 336 sec.

5.4.3. Degradation products of Fenvalerate in sandy clay loam and calcareous soils: Fenvalerate was metabolised in sandy clay loam and calcareous soils to two metabolites at Rt 168 and 456 sec.