



Chronic Toxicity Test Results for the Carlsbad Desalination Plant

❖ Sample ID: Daily M-001
Sample Collection Date: April 16, 2017

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Data Quality Assurance:

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- All data have been reviewed and verified.
- All test results have met minimum test acceptability criteria under their respective EPA protocols, unless otherwise noted in this report.
- All test results have met internal Quality Assurance Program requirements.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

DAILY CHRONIC TOXICITY TESTING

CARLSBAD DESALINATION PLANT – APRIL 2017

ORDER NO. R9-2006-0065; NPDES NO. CA0109223

Sampling Date: April 16, 2017

Test Date: April 17, 2017

Sample ID: Daily M-001 Effluent (Shutdown Period)

Effluent Limitation: 16.5 TU_c

Results Summary:

Bioassay Type: Urchin Fertilization	Test Date	Effluent Test Results		Effluent Limitation Met? (Yes/No)
		<u>NOEC</u>	<u>TU_c</u>	
	4/17/2017	15	<6.67	Yes

INTRODUCTION

A discharge sample was collected in April 2017 for the Poseidon Resources (Channelside) LLC, Carlsbad Desalination Project (CDP) permit for chronic toxicity monitoring purposes. The discharge sample was collected from the CDP M-001 discharge monitoring point during a time of plant shut down. Daily chronic toxicity testing for the effluent sample was conducted during this time according to the permit that was adopted in 2006 (Order No. R9-2006-0065). Bioassay testing was conducted at the Nautilus Environmental (Nautilus) laboratory in San Diego, California on April 17, 2017 using the purple urchin (*Strongylocentrotus purpuratus*) chronic fertilization test.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

The composite sample was collected on April 16, 2017. Sample collection and delivery were performed by IDE Americas, Inc. (IDE) personnel. Following arrival at Nautilus, an aliquot of the water sample was poured off and the following water quality parameters were measured: pH, dissolved oxygen (DO), temperature, salinity, alkalinity, and total chlorine. The sample was stored at 4° C in the dark until used for testing. A summary of the sample collection and receipt information is provided in Table 1, and water quality parameters measured upon receipt at Nautilus are presented in Table 2. Testing was conducted in accordance with the protocols described in USEPA 1995, and the methods are summarized in Table 3.

Table 1. Sample Information

Client/Project: IDE Americas, Inc./Carlsbad Desalination Plant

Sample ID: Daily M-001

Monitoring Period: April 2017 (shutdown period)

Sample Material: Facility Effluent

Sampling Method: Composite

Sample Collection Date, Time: 4/16/17, 08:00

Sample Receipt Date, Time: 4/17/17, 12:28

Table 2. Water Quality Measurements for the Daily M-001 Sample upon Receipt

Sample Collection Date	pH	DO (mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Salinity (ppt)	Alkalinity (mg/L as CaCO ₃)	Total Chlorine (mg/L)
4/16/17	7.53	8.2	2.0	34.2	120	< 0.02

Table 3. Echinoderm Fertilization Chronic Bioassay Specifications

Test Date, Times:	4/17/17, 17:03 through 17:43
Test Organism:	<i>Strongylocentrotus purpuratus</i> (purple sea urchin)
Test Organism Source:	Field-collected off Point Loma in San Diego, CA
Lab Control/Dilution Water:	Natural seawater (source: Scripps Institution of Oceanography (SIO) inlet), 34±2 parts per thousand (ppt); 20-µm filtered
Test Concentrations:	2.5, 5.0, 6.06, 10, and 15 percent unadjusted M-001 sample; lab control.
Number of Replicates, Organisms per Replicate:	5 replicates, 2000 eggs per replicate. Sperm to egg ratio determined before each test with a preliminary rangefinding test.
Test Chamber Type, Volume per Replicate:	Glass scintillation vial containing 10 mL of test solution
Protocol Used:	EPA/600/R-95/136, 1995 West Coast Marine Chronic
Test Type:	Fertilization; 20-min sperm exposure to effluent followed by a 20-min fertilization period
Acceptability Criteria:	Mean fertilization ≥70% in the control, and percent minimum significant difference (PMSD) value <25%
Reference Toxicant Testing:	Copper chloride
Statistical Analysis Software:	CETIS™, version 1.8.7.20

Statistical analyses were conducted using EPA flowchart specifications as outlined in the test guidance manual (USEPA 1995). Organism performance in the sample dilution series was compared to that observed in the laboratory control exposure. Results were used to calculate the No Observed Effect Concentration (NOEC) and chronic toxic unit (TU_c) values.

Results were also analyzed using the USEPA's Test of Significant Toxicity (TST) approach specified in National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Test of Significant Toxicity Implementation Document (USEPA 2010). Notably, the California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) published a Draft Policy for Toxicity Assessment and Control (SWRCB 2012), which includes the TST as an alternative method to evaluate toxicity data. This approach applies a modified t-test that takes into account both the statistical power of the test and the magnitude of biological effects in determining the presence of a response. For this sample, the in-stream waste concentration (IWC) is 6.06 percent unadjusted effluent, and results are reported as "Pass" if a sample is considered non-toxic at the IWC according to the TST calculation, or "Fail" if considered toxic at the IWC according to the TST. As the TST is not included in the CDP permit at this time, the TST analysis was performed for comparison purposes only.

RESULTS

There was no statistically significant decrease in the fertilization rate in any of the sample concentrations tested compared to that in the lab control. Therefore, the NOEC is reported as 15 percent effluent and a TU_c of less than 6.67, which is below the permit limit of 16.5. Additionally, none of the effluent concentrations tested were statistically significant using to the TST calculation. Statistical results are summarized in Table 4, and detailed test results are summarized in Table 5. Raw test data and full statistical analyses can be found in Appendix A. Sample receipt information and copies of the chain-of-custody form are in Appendices B and C, respectively.

Table 4. Statistical Results for Daily M-001 Purple Urchin Fertilization Testing

Sample ID	NOEC (% sample)	LOEC (% sample)	EC ₅₀ (% sample)	TU _c value (toxic units)	TST Result (Pass/Fail)	Percent Effect at IWC
Daily M-001	15	>15	>15	<6.67	Pass	0.85

NOEC = No Observed Effect Concentration

LOEC = Lowest Observed Effect Concentration

EC₅₀ = Concentration expected to cause an adverse effect to 50 percent of the test organisms

TU_c = Chronic Toxic Unit: $100 \div \text{NOEC}$

TST: Pass = sample is non-toxic at the IWC according to the TST calculation; Fail = sample is toxic at the IWC according to the TST calculation. The TST analysis is not in the existing CDP permit; TST analysis is included here for comparison purposes only.

Percent effect (PE) from control is calculated as: $PE = ((\text{mean response in control} - \text{mean response in the IWC}) / \text{mean response in control}) * 100$. A negative PE results when organism performance in the sample is greater than that in the control.

Table 5. Detailed Results of Purple Urchin Fertilization Testing for the Daily M-001 Sample

Test Concentration (% Effluent)	Mean Percent Fertilization
Lab Control	94.0
2.5	91.6
5.0	94.4
6.06	93.2
10	91.0
15	90.4

QUALITY ASSURANCE

The sample was received on the day after collection and was within the appropriate temperature range. The test was initiated within the 36-hour holding time. The PMSD value, which is a measure of test variability, was within the acceptable limits. Statistical analyses followed USEPA flowchart selections and the dose-response relationship was reviewed to ensure the reliability of the data. Based on the dose response observed during testing, the calculated effect concentrations reported are deemed reliable. Additionally, appropriate alpha levels were used for statistical analyses according to the TST Implementation Document guidelines (USEPA 2010).

Results for the concurrent reference toxicant test used to monitor laboratory performance and test organism sensitivity met all test acceptability criteria. The median effect (EC_{50}) value calculated for this test was within two standard deviations (2SD) of the historical mean for our laboratory, indicating organisms were of typical sensitivity to copper. Results for the reference toxicant test are summarized in Table 6 and presented in full in Appendix D. A list of qualifier codes can be found in Appendix E.

Table 6. Urchin Fertilization Reference Toxicant Test Results

Test Date	EC_{50} ($\mu\text{g/L}$ Copper)	Historical Mean $EC_{50} \pm 2$ SD ($\mu\text{g/L}$ Copper)	CV (%)
4/17/17	51.7	55.5 \pm 44.6	40.1

EC_{50} = Concentration expected to cause an adverse effect to 50 percent of the test organisms

Historical Mean $EC_{50} \pm 2$ SD = Mean of historical test results plus or minus two standard deviations

CV = Coefficient of Variation

REFERENCES

- California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) 2012. Draft Policy for Toxicity Assessment and Control. June 2012. Sacramento, CA.
- Tidepool Scientific Software. 2000-2013. CETIS™ Comprehensive Environmental Toxicity Information System Software, Version 1.8.7.20
- USEPA. 1995. Short-Term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to West Coast Marine and Estuarine Organisms. EPA/600/R-95/136.
- USEPA. 2010. National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Test of Significant Toxicity Implementation Document. EPA/833/R-10/003. June 2010.

Appendix A

Test Data and Statistical Analyses

CETIS Summary Report

Report Date: 03 May-17 18:07 (p 1 of 1)
Test Code: 1704-S085 | 02-9246-1285

Echinoid Sperm Cell Fertilization Test 15C							Nautilus Environmental (CA)				
Batch ID:	14-8040-3535		Test Type:		Fertilization		Analyst:				
Start Date:	17 Apr-17 17:03		Protocol:		EPA/600/R-95/136 (1995)		Diluent:		Natural Seawater		
Ending Date:	17 Apr-17 17:43		Species:		Strongylocentrotus purpuratus		Brine:		Not Applicable		
Duration:	40m		Source:		Pt. Loma		Age:				
Sample ID:	17-0562-6790		Code:		17-0467		Client:		IDE		
Sample Date:	16 Apr-17 08:00		Material:		Facility Effluent		Project:		Carlsbad Desal Plant		
Receive Date:	17 Apr-17 12:28		Source:		IDE Americas, Inc.						
Sample Age:	33h (2 °C)		Station:		M-001 (Daily)						
Comparison Summary											
Analysis ID	Endpoint		NOEL	LOEL	TOEL	PMSD	TU	Method			
14-8538-5865	Fertilization Rate		15	>15	NA	2.41%	6.667	TST-Welch's t Test			
02-8829-6941	Fertilization Rate		15	>15	NA	4.65%	6.667	Dunnett Multiple Comparison Test			
Test Acceptability											
Analysis ID	Endpoint		Attribute		Test Stat	TAC Limits		Overlap	Decision		
02-8829-6941	Fertilization Rate		Control Resp		0.94	0.7 - NL		Yes	Passes Acceptability Criteria		
14-8538-5865	Fertilization Rate		Control Resp		0.94	0.7 - NL		Yes	Passes Acceptability Criteria		
02-8829-6941	Fertilization Rate		PMSD		0.04646	NL - 0.25		No	Passes Acceptability Criteria		
14-8538-5865	Fertilization Rate		PMSD		0.02415	NL - 0.25		No	Passes Acceptability Criteria		
Fertilization Rate Summary											
C-%	Control Type	Count	Mean	95% LCL	95% UCL	Min	Max	Std Err	Std Dev	CV%	%Effect
0	Lab Control	5	0.94	0.9038	0.9762	0.9	0.98	0.01304	0.02915	3.1%	0.0%
2.5		5	0.916	0.8771	0.9549	0.87	0.95	0.014	0.0313	3.42%	2.55%
5		5	0.944	0.9154	0.9726	0.92	0.97	0.0103	0.02302	2.44%	-0.43%
6.06		5	0.932	0.8933	0.9707	0.89	0.96	0.01393	0.03114	3.34%	0.85%
10		5	0.91	0.8635	0.9565	0.88	0.97	0.01673	0.03742	4.11%	3.19%
15		5	0.904	0.8814	0.9266	0.88	0.93	0.008124	0.01817	2.01%	3.83%
Fertilization Rate Detail											
C-%	Control Type	Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3	Rep 4	Rep 5					
0	Lab Control	0.98	0.94	0.9	0.95	0.93					
2.5		0.87	0.93	0.95	0.9	0.93					
5		0.95	0.92	0.96	0.97	0.92					
6.06		0.89	0.96	0.91	0.94	0.96					
10		0.88	0.92	0.9	0.97	0.88					
15		0.9	0.88	0.93	0.91	0.9					

CETIS Analytical Report

Report Date: 03 May-17 18:07 (p 1 of 4)
 Test Code: 1704-S085 | 02-9246-1285

Echinoid Sperm Cell Fertilization Test 15C										Nautilus Environmental (CA)	
Analysis ID: 02-8829-6941		Endpoint: Fertilization Rate					CETIS Version: CETISv1.8.7				
Analyzed: 03 May-17 18:07		Analysis: Parametric-Control vs Treatments					Official Results: Yes				
Data Transform		Zeta	Alt Hyp	Trials	Seed		PMSD	NOEL	LOEL	TOEL	TU
Angular (Corrected)		NA	C > T	NA	NA		4.65%	15	>15	NA	6.667
Dunnett Multiple Comparison Test											
Control	vs	C-%	Test Stat	Critical	MSD	DF	P-Value	P-Type	Decision(α:5%)		
Lab Control		2.5	1.343	2.362	0.087	8	0.2785	CDF	Non-Significant Effect		
		5	-0.1626	2.362	0.087	8	0.8769	CDF	Non-Significant Effect		
		6.06	0.4811	2.362	0.087	8	0.6552	CDF	Non-Significant Effect		
		10	1.552	2.362	0.087	8	0.2075	CDF	Non-Significant Effect		
		15	1.985	2.362	0.087	8	0.1021	CDF	Non-Significant Effect		
ANOVA Table											
Source	Sum Squares		Mean Square		DF		F Stat	P-Value	Decision(α:5%)		
Between	0.02646728		0.005293456		5		1.563	0.2085	Non-Significant Effect		
Error	0.08130507		0.003387711		24						
Total	0.1077724				29						
Distributional Tests											
Attribute	Test			Test Stat	Critical	P-Value	Decision(α:1%)				
Variances	Bartlett Equality of Variance			2.746	15.09	0.7391	Equal Variances				
Distribution	Shapiro-Wilk W Normality			0.9673	0.9031	0.4672	Normal Distribution				
Fertilization Rate Summary											
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15		5	0.904	0.8814	0.9266	0.9	0.88	0.93	0.008124	2.01%	3.83%
Angular (Corrected) Transformed Summary											
C-%	Control Type	Count	Mean	95% LCL	95% UCL	Median	Min	Max	Std Err	CV%	%Effect
0	Lab Control	5	1.33	1.248	1.412	1.323	1.249	1.429	0.02944	4.95%	0.0%
2.5		5	1.28	1.211	1.35	1.303	1.202	1.345	0.02487	4.34%	3.72%
5		5	1.336	1.273	1.399	1.345	1.284	1.397	0.02268	3.8%	-0.45%
6.06		5	1.312	1.236	1.389	1.323	1.233	1.369	0.02749	4.69%	1.33%
10		5	1.273	1.18	1.365	1.249	1.217	1.397	0.03336	5.86%	4.3%
15		5	1.257	1.218	1.296	1.249	1.217	1.303	0.01401	2.49%	5.49%

CETIS Analytical Report

Report Date: 03 May-17 18:07 (p 2 of 4)
Test Code: 1704-S085 | 02-9246-1285

Echinoid Sperm Cell Fertilization Test 15C

Nautilus Environmental (CA)

Analysis ID: 02-8829-6941

Endpoint: Fertilization Rate

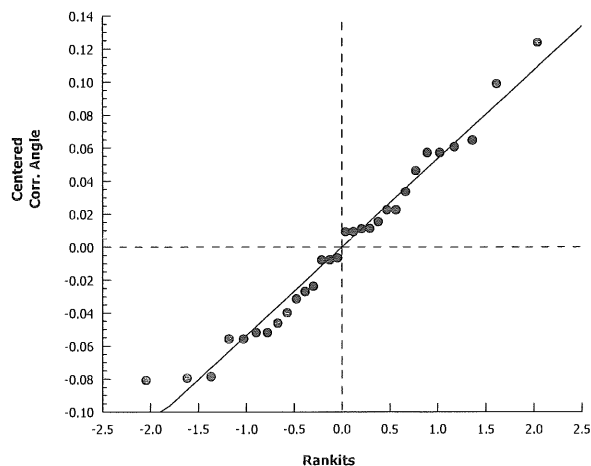
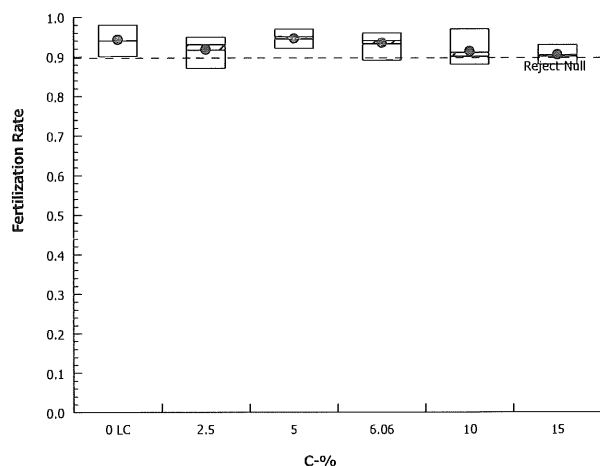
CETIS Version: CETISv1.8.7

Analyzed: 03 May-17 18:07

Analysis: Parametric-Control vs Treatments

Official Results: Yes

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 Test Code: 1704-S085 | 02-9246-1285

Echinoid Sperm Cell Fertilization Test 15C						Nautilus Environmental (CA)					
Analysis ID: 14-8538-5865		Endpoint: Fertilization Rate				CETIS Version: CETISv1.8.7					
Analyzed: 03 May-17 18:07		Analysis: Parametric Bioequivalence-Two Sample				Official Results: Yes					
Data Transform	Zeta	Alt Hyp	Trials	Seed	TST b	PMSD	NOEL	LOEL	TOEL	TU	
Angular (Corrected)	NA	C*b < T	NA	NA	0.75	2.41%	15	>15	NA	6.667	
TST-Welch's t Test											
Control	vs	C-%	Test Stat	Critical	MSD	DF	P-Value	P-Type	Decision(α:5%)		
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		5*	10.69	1.895	0.06	7	<0.0001	CDF	Non-Significant Effect		
		6.06*	8.926	1.895	0.067	7	<0.0001	CDF	Non-Significant Effect		
		10*	6.882	1.943	0.078	6	0.0002	CDF	Non-Significant Effect		
		15^	9.92	1.943	0.051	6	<0.0001	CDF	Non-Significant Effect		
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15		5	1.257	1.218	1.296	1.249	1.217	1.303	0.01401	2.49%	5.49%

CETIS Test Data Worksheet

Report Date: 17 Apr-17 12:47 (p 1 of 1)
 Test Code: 1704-5085 02-9246-1285/116E9AE5

Echinoid Sperm Cell Fertilization Test 15C				Nautilus Environmental (CA)	
Start Date: 17 Apr-17	Species: Strongylocentrotus purpuratus	Sample Code: 65A9CCA0-17-0467			
End Date: 17 Apr-17	Protocol: EPA/600/R-95/136 (1995)	Sample Source: IDE Americas, Inc.			
Sample Date: 16 Apr-17	Material: Facility Effluent	Sample Station: M-001 Unadjusted Darky			

C-%	Code	Rep	Pos	# Counted	# Fertilized	Notes
			31	100	96	AB 5/3/17
			32	100	95	
			33	100	93	
			34	100	98	
			35	100	92	
			36	100	96	
			37	100	90	
			38	100	97	
			39	100	90	
			40	100	93	
			41	100	94	
			42	100	91	
			43	100	89	
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			52	100	93	
			53	100	95	
			54	100	88	
			55	100	87	
			56	100	92	
			57	100	92	
			58	100	97	
			59	100	90	
			60	100	96	

AB 5/3/17

CETIS Test Data Worksheet

Report Date: 17 Apr-17 12:48 (p 1 of 1)
 Test Code: 02-9246-1285/146E9AE5
 1704-5885

Echinoid Sperm Cell Fertilization Test 15C				Nautilus Environmental (CA)	
Start Date: 17 Apr-17	Species: Strongylocentrotus purpuratus	Sample Code: A65A9CCA8 17-0467			
End Date: 17 Apr-17	Protocol: EPA/600/R-95/136 (1995)	Sample Source: IDE Americas, Inc.			
Sample Date: 16 Apr-17	Material: Facility Effluent	Sample Station: M-001 ^(B) Unadjusted Daily			

C-%	Code	Rep	Pos	# Counted	# Fertilized	Notes
0	LC	1	34	100	94	AD 4/17/17
0	LC	2	46			
0	LC	3	48			
0	LC	4	32			
0	LC	5	52			
2.5		1	55	100	93	
2.5		2	40			
2.5		3	50			
2.5		4	37			
2.5		5	44			
5		1	53	100	93	
5		2	57			
5		3	31			
5		4	38			
5		5	56			
6.06		1	43	100	93	
6.06		2	60			
6.06		3	51			
6.06		4	41			
6.06		5	36			
10		1	47			
10		2	35			
10		3	39			
10		4	58			
10		5	49	100	94	
15		1	59			
15		2	54			
15		3	33			
15		4	42			
15		5	45	100	94	

QC = RH

(A) EG Q18 5/3/17

Marine Chronic Bioassay

Water Quality Measurements

Client : IDE

Test Species: *S. purpuratus*

Sample ID: Daily M-001

Start Date/Time: 4/17/2017 1703

Sample Log No.: 17- 0467

End Date/Time: 4/17/2017 1743

Dilutions made by: AGOBOARD

Test No: 1704-5085

Analyst:

AG

Concentration %	Initial Readings			
	DO (mg/L)	pH (units)	Salinity (ppt)	Temperature (°C)
Lab Control	7.9	7.91 33.5 AG 4/8 11/7/17	33.5	15.2
2.5	8.2	7.90	33.7	15.5
5.0	8.3	7.90	33.8	15.4
6.06	8.4	7.90	33.8	15.3
10	8.5	7.90	33.7	15.1
15	8.2	7.86	33.5	15.2

Comments:

QC Check: EG 5/3/17

Final Review: 5/5/17

Marine Chronic Bioassay

Echinoderm Sperm-Cell Fertilization Worksheet

Client: IDE
 Sample ID: M-001
 Test No.: 1704-5085

Start Date/Time: 4/17/2017 1 1703
 End Date/Time: 4/17/2017 1 1743
 Species: S. purpuratus
 Animal Source: Pt Loma
 Date Collected: 3/27/17

Tech initials: AD
 Injection Time: 1625

Sperm Absorbance at 400 nm: 0.877 (target range of 0.8 - 1.0 for density of 4×10^6 sperm/ml)

Eggs Counted: 92 Mean: 97.2 X 50 = 4860 eggs/ml
103
90
90
111

(target counts of 80 eggs per vertical pass on Sedgwick-Rafter slide for a final density of 4000 eggs/ml)

Initial density: 4860 eggs/ml = 1.22 dilution factor egg stock 100 ml
 Final density: 4000 eggs/ml - 1.0 part egg stock seawater 22 ml
0.22 parts seawater

Prepare the embryo stock according to the calculated dilution factor. For example, if the dilution factor is 2.25, use 100 ml of existing stock (1 part) and 125 ml of dilution water (1.25 parts).

	Sperm:Egg Ratio							
Range Finder Test:	2000:1	1600:1	1200:1	800:1	400:1	200:1	100:1	50:1
ml Sperm Stock	50	40	30	20	10	5.0	2.5	1.25
ml Seawater	0.0	10	20	30	40	45	47.5	48.75

	Time	Range Finder Ratio:	Fert.	Unfert.
Sperm Added (100 μ l):	<u>1634</u>	<u>50:1</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>21</u>
Eggs Added (0.5 ml):	<u>1648</u>	<u>100:1</u>	<u>92.96</u>	<u>8.4</u>
Test Ended:	<u>1658</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

NOTE: Choose a sperm-to-egg ratio that results in fertilization between 80 and 90 percent. If more than one concentration is within this range, choose the ratio closest to 90 percent unless professional judgment dictates consideration of other factors (e.g., organism health, stage of reproductive season, site conditions).

Definitive Test

Sperm:Egg Ratio Used: 100:1

	Time		Fert.	Unfert.
Sperm Added (100 μ l):	<u>1703</u>	QC1	<u>90</u>	<u>10</u>
Eggs Added (0.5 ml):	<u>1723</u>	QC2	<u>97</u>	<u>3</u>
Test Ended:	<u>1743</u>	Egg Control 1	<u>0</u>	<u>100</u>
		Egg Control 2	<u>0</u>	<u>100</u>

Comments:

QC Check:

EG 5/3/17

Final Review: 5/3/17

Appendix B

Sample Receipt Information

Nautilus Environmental
4340 Vandever Avenue
San Diego, CA 92120

Sample Check-In Information

Client: IDE

Tests Performed: Urchin Fertilization

Project: Daily M-001

Test ID No.(s): 1704-S085 to -S086

Sample Descriptions:

1) colorless, clear, odorless, light debris

2) _____
3) _____
4) _____

COC Complete? Y N

Filtration? Y N

Pore Size: _____

Organisms _____ or _____ Debris

pH Adjustment? Y N

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Initial pH:						
Amount of HCl added:						
Final pH:						

Freshwater Tests:

Control/Dilution Water Source: 8:2 Culligan Other: _____ Alkalinity: _____ Hardness: _____

Additional Control? Y N = _____ Alkalinity: _____ Hardness: _____

Marine Tests: Urchin Fertilization

Control/Dilution Water Source: LAB SW ART SW Other: _____ Alkalinity: 108 Salinity: 34 ppt

Additional Control? Y N = _____ Alkalinity: _____ Salinity: _____

Sample Salted w/ artificial salt? Y N If yes, target ppt and source? _____

Sample salted w/brine? Y N If yes, target ppt? _____

Notes ¹ Temperature for sample must be 0-6°C if received >24 hours past collection time.

² mg/L as CaCO₃, ³ Measured for freshwater samples only, NA = Not Applicable

Additional Comments

QC Check: CH 4/17/17

Cl₂ Adjustment? Y N

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Initial Free Cl ₂ :						
STS added:						
Final Free Cl ₂ :						

Sample Aeration? Y N

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Initial D.O.						
Duration & Rate						
Final D.O.						

Subsamples For Additional Chemistry Required? Y N

NH₃ _____ Other _____

Tech Initials _____

Final Review: 2503/17

Appendix C

Chain-of-Custody Form

Appendix D

Reference Toxicant Test Data and Statistical Analyses

CETIS Summary Report

Report Date: 26 Apr-17 09:26 (p 1 of 1)
 Test Code: 170417sprt | 13-4494-7236

Echinoid Sperm Cell Fertilization Test 15C							Nautilus Environmental (CA)				
Batch ID:	12-9208-3902		Test Type:			Fertilization		Analyst:			
Start Date:	17 Apr-17 17:03		Protocol:			EPA/600/R-95/136 (1995)		Diluent:		Natural Seawater	
Ending Date:	17 Apr-17 17:43		Species:			Strongylocentrotus purpuratus		Brine:		Not Applicable	
Duration:	40m		Source:			Pt. Loma		Age:			
Sample ID:	00-7581-5056		Code:			170417sprt		Client:		Internal	
Sample Date:	17 Apr-17		Material:			Copper chloride		Project:			
Receive Date:	17 Apr-17		Source:			Reference Toxicant					
Sample Age:	17h		Station:			Copper Chloride					
Comparison Summary											
Analysis ID	Endpoint		NOEL	LOEL	TOEL	PMSD	TU	Method			
14-2520-4213	Fertilization Rate		<10	10	NA	4.15%		Dunnett Multiple Comparison Test			
Point Estimate Summary											
Analysis ID	Endpoint		Level	µg/L	95% LCL	95% UCL	TU	Method			
11-5239-6650	Fertilization Rate		EC50	51.69	49.33	54.17		Trimmed Spearman-Kärber			
Test Acceptability											
Analysis ID	Endpoint		Attribute		Test Stat	TAC Limits		Overlap	Decision		
11-5239-6650	Fertilization Rate		Control Resp		0.956	0.7 - NL		Yes	Passes Acceptability Criteria		
14-2520-4213	Fertilization Rate		Control Resp		0.956	0.7 - NL		Yes	Passes Acceptability Criteria		
14-2520-4213	Fertilization Rate		PMSD		0.04152	NL - 0.25		No	Passes Acceptability Criteria		
Fertilization Rate Summary											
C-µg/L	Control Type	Count	Mean	95% LCL	95% UCL	Min	Max	Std Err	Std Dev	CV%	%Effect
0	Lab Control	5	0.956	0.9334	0.9786	0.94	0.98	0.008124	0.01817	1.9%	0.0%
10		5	0.84	0.7961	0.8839	0.79	0.88	0.01581	0.03536	4.21%	12.13%
20		5	0.85	0.8027	0.8973	0.8	0.9	0.01703	0.03808	4.48%	11.09%
40		5	0.692	0.6148	0.7692	0.64	0.79	0.02782	0.06221	8.99%	27.62%
80		5	0.192	0.1221	0.2619	0.13	0.26	0.02518	0.0563	29.32%	79.92%
160		5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		100.0%
Fertilization Rate Detail											
C-µg/L	Control Type	Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3	Rep 4	Rep 5					
0	Lab Control	0.98	0.97	0.94	0.95	0.94					
10		0.88	0.86	0.79	0.82	0.85					
20		0.9	0.83	0.85	0.87	0.8					
40		0.71	0.64	0.79	0.64	0.68					
80		0.14	0.13	0.23	0.2	0.26					
160		0	0	0	0	0					
Fertilization Rate Binomials											
C-µg/L	Control Type	Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3	Rep 4	Rep 5					
0	Lab Control	98/100	97/100	94/100	95/100	94/100					
10		88/100	86/100	79/100	82/100	85/100					
20		90/100	83/100	85/100	87/100	80/100					
40		71/100	64/100	79/100	64/100	68/100					
80		14/100	13/100	23/100	20/100	26/100					
160		0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100					

CETIS Analytical Report

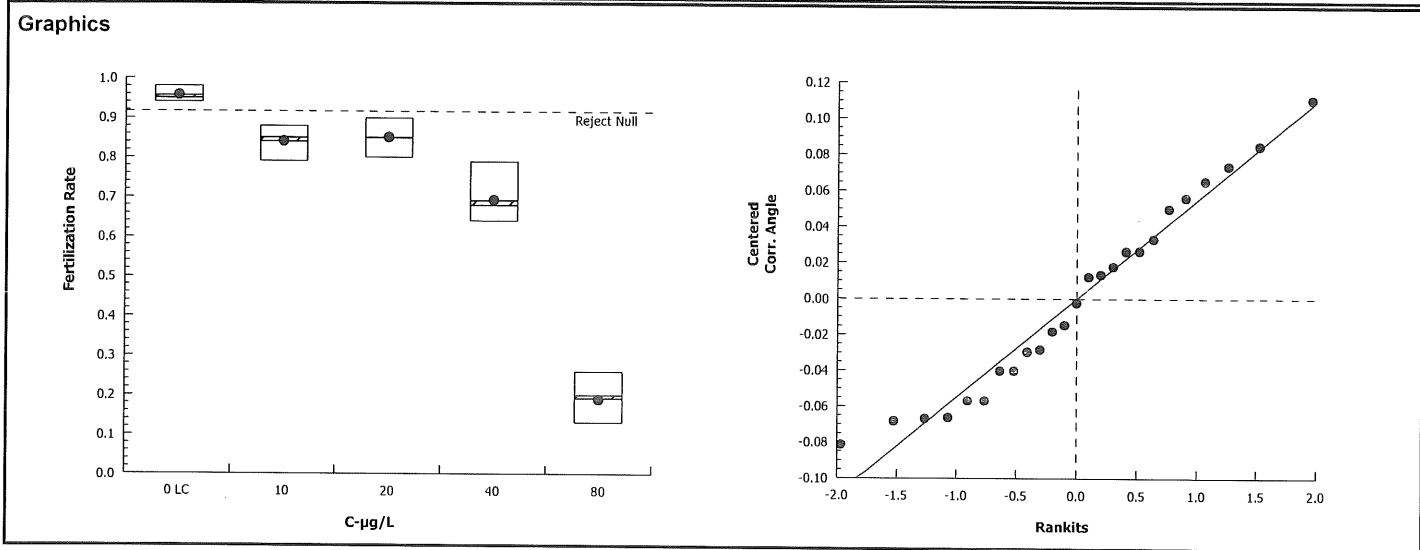
Report Date: 26 Apr-17 09:26 (p 1 of 2)
 Test Code: 170417spt | 13-4494-7236

Echinoid Sperm Cell Fertilization Test 15C						Nautilus Environmental (CA)					
Analysis ID:	14-2520-4213		Endpoint:	Fertilization Rate			CETIS Version:	CETISv1.8.7			
Analyzed:	26 Apr-17 9:26		Analysis:	Parametric-Control vs Treatments			Official Results:	Yes			
Batch ID:	12-9208-3902		Test Type:	Fertilization			Analyst:				
Start Date:	17 Apr-17 17:03		Protocol:	EPA/600/R-95/136 (1995)			Diluent:	Natural Seawater			
Ending Date:	17 Apr-17 17:43		Species:	Strongylocentrotus purpuratus			Brine:	Not Applicable			
Duration:	40m		Source:	Pt. Loma			Age:				
Data Transform	Zeta	Alt Hyp	Trials	Seed		PMSD	NOEL	LOEL	TOEL	TU	
Angular (Corrected)	NA	C > T	NA	NA		4.15%	<10	10	NA		
Dunnett Multiple Comparison Test											
Control	vs	C-µg/L	Test Stat	Critical	MSD	DF	P-Value	P-Type	Decision(α:5%)		
Lab Control		10*	5.415	2.305	0.086	8	<0.0001	CDF	Significant Effect		
		20*	5.029	2.305	0.086	8	0.0001	CDF	Significant Effect		
		40*	10.14	2.305	0.086	8	<0.0001	CDF	Significant Effect		
		80*	24.41	2.305	0.086	8	<0.0001	CDF	Significant Effect		
ANOVA Table											
Source	Sum Squares		Mean Square		DF		F Stat	P-Value	Decision(α:5%)		
Between	2.438415		0.6096036		4		174.3	<0.0001	Significant Effect		
Error	0.06996133		0.003498067		20						
Total	2.508376				24						
Distributional Tests											
Attribute	Test		Test Stat	Critical	P-Value		Decision(α:1%)				
Variances	Bartlett Equality of Variance		1.201	13.28	0.8779		Equal Variances				
Distribution	Shapiro-Wilk W Normality		0.9603	0.8877	0.4196		Normal Distribution				
Fertilization Rate Summary											
C-µg/L	Control Type	Count	Mean	95% LCL	95% UCL	Median	Min	Max	Std Err	CV%	%Effect
0	Lab Control	5	0.956	0.9334	0.9786	0.95	0.94	0.98	0.008124	1.9%	0.0%
10		5	0.84	0.7961	0.8839	0.85	0.79	0.88	0.01581	4.21%	12.13%
20		5	0.85	0.8027	0.8973	0.85	0.8	0.9	0.01703	4.48%	11.09%
40		5	0.692	0.6148	0.7692	0.68	0.64	0.79	0.02782	8.99%	27.62%
80		5	0.192	0.1221	0.2619	0.2	0.13	0.26	0.02518	29.32%	79.92%
Angular (Corrected) Transformed Summary											
C-µg/L	Control Type	Count	Mean	95% LCL	95% UCL	Median	Min	Max	Std Err	CV%	%Effect
0	Lab Control	5	1.364	1.305	1.422	1.345	1.323	1.429	0.02114	3.47%	0.0%
10		5	1.161	1.102	1.22	1.173	1.095	1.217	0.02141	4.12%	14.85%
20		5	1.175	1.108	1.242	1.173	1.107	1.249	0.02415	4.6%	13.8%
40		5	0.9842	0.8981	1.07	0.9695	0.9273	1.095	0.03101	7.05%	27.82%
80		5	0.4503	0.3604	0.5401	0.4636	0.3689	0.5351	0.03236	16.07%	66.98%

CETIS Analytical Report

Report Date: 26 Apr-17 09:26 (p 2 of 2)
 Test Code: 170417spt | 13-4494-7236

Echinoid Sperm Cell Fertilization Test 15C		Nautilus Environmental (CA)
Analysis ID: 14-2520-4213	Endpoint: Fertilization Rate	CETIS Version: CETISv1.8.7
Analyzed: 26 Apr-17 9:26	Analysis: Parametric-Control vs Treatments	Official Results: Yes



CETIS Analytical Report

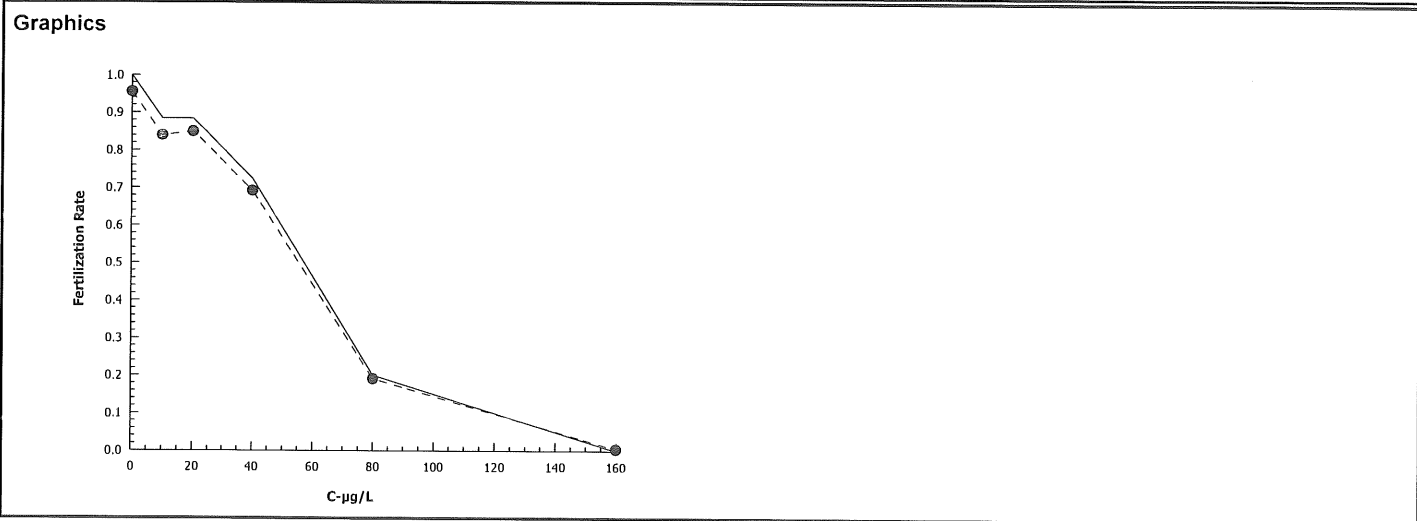
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Test Code: 170417spt | 13-4494-7236

Echinoid Sperm Cell Fertilization Test 15C				Nautilus Environmental (CA)			
Analysis ID:	11-5239-6650	Endpoint:	Fertilization Rate	CETIS Version:	CETISv1.8.7		
Analyzed:	26 Apr-17 9:26	Analysis:	Trimmed Spearman-Kärber	Official Results:	Yes		
Batch ID:	12-9208-3902	Test Type:	Fertilization	Analyst:			
Start Date:	17 Apr-17 17:03	Protocol:	EPA/600/R-95/136 (1995)	Diluent:	Natural Seawater		
Ending Date:	17 Apr-17 17:43	Species:	Strongylocentrotus purpuratus	Brine:	Not Applicable		
Duration:	40m	Source:	Pt. Loma	Age:			

Trimmed Spearman-Kärber Estimates							
Threshold Option	Threshold	Trim	Mu	Sigma	EC50	95% LCL	95% UCL
Control Threshold	0.044	11.61%	1.713	0.01018	51.69	49.33	54.17

Fertilization Rate Summary			Calculated Variate(A/B)								
C-µg/L	Control Type	Count	Mean	Min	Max	Std Err	Std Dev	CV%	%Effect	A	B
0	Lab Control	5	0.956	0.94	0.98	0.008124	0.01817	1.9%	0.0%	478	500
10		5	0.84	0.79	0.88	0.01581	0.03536	4.21%	12.13%	420	500
20		5	0.85	0.8	0.9	0.01703	0.03808	4.48%	11.09%	425	500
40		5	0.692	0.64	0.79	0.02782	0.06221	8.99%	27.62%	346	500
80		5	0.192	0.13	0.26	0.02518	0.0563	29.32%	79.92%	96	500
160		5	0	0	0	0	0		100.0%	0	500



Echinoid Sperm Cell Fertilization Test 15C

Nautilus Environmental (CA)

Test Type: Fertilization

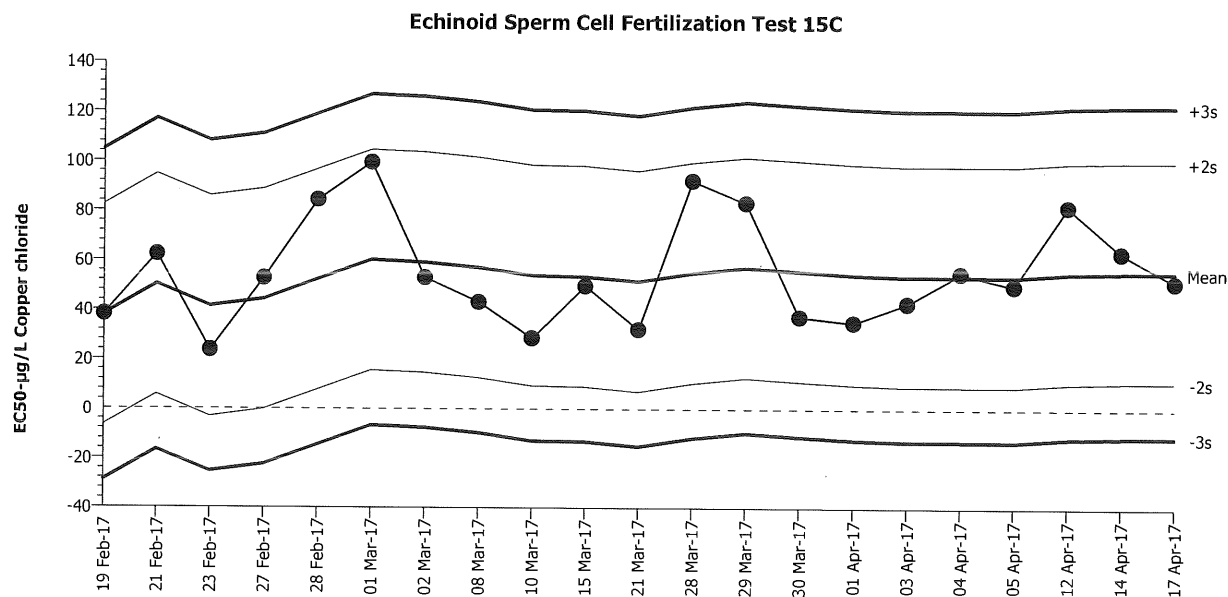
Organism: Strongylocentrotus purpuratus (Purpl

Material: Copper chloride

Protocol: EPA/600/R-95/136 (1995)

Endpoint: Fertilization Rate

Source: Reference Toxicant-REF



Mean: 55.53

Count: 20

-2s Warning Limit: 10.97

-3s Action Limit: -11.31

Sigma: 22.28

CV: 40.10%

+2s Warning Limit: 100.1

+3s Action Limit: 122.4

Quality Control Data

Point	Year	Month	Day	Time	QC Data	Delta	Sigma	Warning	Action	Test ID	Analysis ID
1	2017	Feb	19	16:00	38.18	-17.35	-0.7789			04-9561-8356	16-1145-1366
2			21	11:42	62.44	6.91	0.3101			15-6576-1294	19-2980-3814
3			23	14:42	23.77	-31.76	-1.425			07-0628-7264	20-4334-6940
4			27	16:05	52.9	-2.631	-0.1181			10-1635-1121	14-4530-4128
5			28	18:00	84.51	28.98	1.301			09-8043-1931	05-2317-8363
6		Mar	1	15:45	99.56	44.03	1.976			17-5791-9592	08-2085-2833
7			2	15:26	53.09	-2.436	-0.1093			20-3729-5626	20-9062-5332
8			8	12:50	43.2	-12.33	-0.5532			10-8438-6969	12-4014-5220
9			10	14:18	28.71	-26.82	-1.204			05-2038-2100	05-9725-9024
10			15	15:10	49.84	-5.694	-0.2556			06-7728-1272	00-9516-8529
11			21	11:03	32.23	-23.3	-1.046			15-4686-0543	08-4903-8267
12			28	15:45	92.34	36.81	1.652			19-7829-0165	07-5461-2916
13			29	11:50	83.41	27.88	1.251			05-8182-1994	00-0525-0185
14			30	16:20	37.46	-18.07	-0.8111			04-2787-9157	21-1957-9518
15		Apr	1	11:49	35.15	-20.38	-0.9149			01-0869-3000	14-7307-9005
16			3	17:15	42.93	-12.6	-0.5654			11-7488-2003	08-5368-9216
17			4	12:13	55.13	-0.4028	-0.01808			02-3186-4899	18-3488-7750
18			5	14:33	50.05	-5.479	-0.2459			12-8691-4512	16-6546-2933
19			12	16:30	82.12	26.59	1.193			04-6122-9881	08-0232-5024
20			14	15:34	63.58	8.054	0.3615			06-7326-1133	06-6067-9028
21			17	17:03	51.69	-3.836	-0.1722			13-4494-7236	11-5239-6650

CETIS Test Data Worksheet

Report Date: 17 Apr-17 12:47 (p 1 of 1)
 Test Code: 13-4494-7236/170417spt

Echinoid Sperm Cell Fertilization Test 15C				Nautilus Environmental (CA)	
Start Date: 17 Apr-17	Species: Strongylocentrotus purpuratus	Sample Code: 170417spt			
End Date: 17 Apr-17	Protocol: EPA/600/R-95/136 (1995)	Sample Source: Reference Toxicant			
Sample Date: 17 Apr-17	Material: Copper chloride	Sample Station: Copper Chloride			

C-µg/L	Code	Rep	Pos	# Counted	# Fertilized	Notes
			1	100	95	TN 4/19/17
			2	100	20	
			3	100	85	
			4	100	87	
			5	100	0	
			6	100	14	
			7	100	26	
			8	100	86	
			9	100	64	
			10	100	0	
			11	100	0	TN 4/21/17
			12	100	79	
			13	100	90	
			14	100	88	
			15	100	79	
			16	100	0	
			17	100	94	
			18	100	13	
			19	100	82	
			20	100	80	
			21	100	97	
			22	100	83	
			23	100	71	
			24	100	0	
			25	100	23	
			26	100	98	
			27	100	64	
			28	100	85	
			29	100	94	
			30	100	68	

CETIS Test Data Worksheet

Report Date: 17 Apr-17 12:46 (p 1 of 1)
 Test Code: 13-4494-7236/170417spt

Echinoid Sperm Cell Fertilization Test 15C					Nautilus Environmental (CA)	
Start Date:	17 Apr-17	Species:	Strongylocentrotus purpuratus	Sample Code:	170417spt	
End Date:	17 Apr-17	Protocol:	EPA/600/R-95/136 (1995)	Sample Source:	Reference Toxicant	
Sample Date:	17 Apr-17	Material:	Copper chloride	Sample Station:	Copper Chloride	

C-µg/L	Code	Rep	Pos	# Counted	# Fertilized	Notes
0	LC	1	26	100	94	AD 4/17/17
0	LC	2	21			
0	LC	3	17			
0	LC	4	1			
0	LC	5	29			
10		1	14			
10		2	8	100	88	
10		3	12			
10		4	19			
10		5	28			
20		1	13	100	93	
20		2	22			
20		3	3			
20		4	4			
20		5	20			
40		1	23	100	79	
40		2	27			
40		3	15			
40		4	9			
40		5	30			
80		1	6	100	5	
80		2	18			
80		3	25			
80		4	2			
80		5	7			
160		1	11	100	0	
160		2	24			
160		3	10			
160		4	16			
160		5	5			

OC: AD

Marine Chronic Bioassay

Water Quality Measurements

Client : InternalTest Species: S. purpuratusSample ID: CuCl₂Start Date/Time: 4/17/2017 1703Test No: 170417sptEnd Date/Time: 4/17/2017 1743Dilutions made by: AG 080 AD

High conc. made (µg/L):	160
Vol. Cu stock added (mL):	7.8
Final Volume (mL):	500
Cu stock concentration (µg/L):	10200

Analyst:

AG

Concentration (µg/L)	Initial Readings			
	DO (mg/L)	pH (units)	Salinity (ppt)	Temperature (°C)
Lab Control	8.3	7.90	33.5	14.9
10	8.3	7.85	33.7	15.3
20	8.2	7.84	33.8	15.4
40	8.1	7.84	33.7	15.5
80	8.1	7.86	33.7	15.6
160	8.1	7.87	33.5	15.6

Comments:

QC Check:

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Final Review:

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Marine Chronic Bioassay

Echinoderm Sperm-Cell Fertilization Worksheet

Client: Internal
 Sample ID: CUC12
 Test No.: 170417 sprt

Start Date/Time: 4/17/2017 / 1703
 End Date/Time: 4/17/2017 / 1743
 Species: S. purpuratus
 Animal Source: PT 10ma
 Date Collected: 3/27/17

Tech initials: AD
 Injection Time: 1625

Sperm Absorbance at 400 nm: 0.877 (target range of 0.8 - 1.0 for density of 4×10^6 sperm/ml)

Eggs Counted: 92 Mean: 97.2 X 50 = 4860 eggs/ml

103
90
90
111

(target counts of 80 eggs per vertical pass on Sedgwick-Rafter slide for a final density of 4000 eggs/ml)

Initial density: 4860 eggs/ml = 1.22 dilution factor egg stock 100 ml
 Final density: 4000 eggs/ml - 1.0 part egg stock seawater 22 ml
0.22 parts seawater

Prepare the embryo stock according to the calculated dilution factor. For example, if the dilution factor is 2.25, use 100 ml of existing stock (1 part) and 125 ml of dilution water (1.25 parts).

	Sperm:Egg Ratio							
RangeFinder Test:	2000:1	1600:1	1200:1	800:1	400:1	200:1	100:1	50:1
ml Sperm Stock	50	40	30	20	10	5.0	2.5	1.25
ml Seawater	0.0	10	20	30	40	45	47.5	48.75

	Time	RangeFinder Ratio:	Fert.	Unfert.
Sperm Added (100 µl):	<u>1634</u>	<u>50:1</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>21</u>
Eggs Added (0.5 ml):	<u>1648</u>	<u>100:1</u>	<u>92/96</u>	<u>8/4</u>
Test Ended:	<u>1658</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

NOTE: Choose a sperm-to-egg ratio that results in fertilization between 80 and 90 percent. If more than one concentration is within this range, choose the ratio closest to 90 percent unless professional judgment dictates consideration of other factors (e.g., organism health, stage of reproductive season, site conditions).

Definitive Test Sperm:Egg Ratio Used: 100:1

	Time		Fert.	Unfert.
Sperm Added (100 µl):	<u>1703</u>	QC1	<u>90</u>	<u>10</u>
Eggs Added (0.5 ml):	<u>1723</u>	QC2	<u>97</u>	<u>3</u>
Test Ended:	<u>1743</u>	Egg Control 1	<u>0</u>	<u>100</u>
		Egg Control 2	<u>0</u>	<u>100</u>

Comments:

QC Check: AC 4/25/17

Final Review: 5/5/17

Appendix E

Qualifier Codes

Glossary of Qualifier Codes:

- Q1 - Temperatures out of recommended range; corrective action taken and recorded in Test Temperature Correction Log
- Q2 - Temperatures out of recommended range; no action taken, test terminated same day
- Q3 - Sample aerated prior to initiation or renewal due to dissolved oxygen (D.O.) levels below 6.0 mg/L
- Q4 - Test aerated; D.O. levels dropped below 4.0 mg/L
- Q5 - Test initiated with aeration due to an anticipated drop in D.O.
- Q6 - Airline obstructed or fell out of replicate and replaced; drop in D.O. occurred
- Q7 - Salinity out of recommended range
- Q8 - Spilled test chamber/ Unable to recover test organism(s)
- Q9 - Inadequate sample volume remaining, 50% renewal performed
- Q10 - Inadequate sample volume remaining, no renewal performed
- Q11 - Sample out of holding time; refer to QA section of report
- Q12 - Replicate(s) not initiated; excluded from data analysis
- Q13 - Survival counts not recorded due to poor visibility or heavy debris
- Q14 - D.O. percent saturation was checked and was $\leq 110\%$
- Q15 - Did not meet minimum test acceptability criteria. Refer to QA section of report.
- Q16 - Percent minimum significant difference (PMSD) was below the lower bound limit for acceptability. This indicates that statistics may be over-sensitive in detecting a difference from the control due to low variability in the data set.
- Q17 - Percent minimum significant difference (PMSD) was above the upper bound limit for acceptability. This indicates that statistics may be under-sensitive in detecting a difference from the control due to high variability in the data set.
- Q18 - Incorrect Entry
- Q19 - Illegible Entry
- Q20 - Miscalculation
- Q21 - Other (provide reason in comments section)
- Q22 - Greater than 10% mortality observed upon receipt and/or in holding prior to test initiation. Organisms acclimated to test conditions at Nautilus and ultimately deemed fit to use for testing.
- Q23 - Test organisms received at a temperature greater than 3°C outside the recommended test temperature range. However, due to age-specific protocol requirements and/or sample holding time constraints, the organisms were used to initiate tests upon the day of arrival. Organisms were acclimated to the appropriate test conditions upon receipt and prior to test initiation.
- Q24 - Test organisms received at salinity greater than 3 ppt outside of the recommended test salinity range. However, due to age-specific protocol requirements and/or sample holding time constraints, the organisms were used to initiate tests upon the day of arrival. Organisms were acclimated to the appropriate test conditions upon receipt and prior to test initiation.