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a) Opdracht

Het Coördineringscomité Rijn heeft besloten om voor de lijst van Rijnrelevante stoffen milieukwaliteitsnormen voor de Rijn (Rijn-MKN's) af te leiden overeenkomstig de bepalingen in de Kaderrichtlijn Water (KRW), bijlage V, lid 1.2.6.

Deze Rijn-MKN's dienen zoveel mogelijk te zijn gebaseerd op de bestaande doelstellingen van de ICBR.

In het onderhavige document worden milieukwaliteitsnormen (Rijn-MKN's) voor de Rijnrelevante stof koper voorgesteld. Deze voorstellen voor milieukwaliteitsnormen voor de Rijn zijn juridisch niet bindend. Ze hebben dezelfde status als de ICBR-doelstellingen.

b) Werkwijze voor de afleiding van Rijn-MKN's

Voor de uitwerking van voorstellen voor Rijn-MKN's is er gebruik gemaakt van de methode die wordt beschreven in de "*Manual on the Methodological Framework to Derive Environmental Quality Standards for Priority Substances in Accordance with Article 16 of the Water Framework Directive (2000/60/EG)*". Deze methode, die de basis vormt voor de EU-afleiding van MKN's voor de prioritaire stoffen uit bijlage X KRW, is verder ontwikkeld rekening houdend met het "technical guidance" document dat inmiddels is afgerond op EU-niveau.

c) Resultaten

De PLEN-CC heeft tijdens haar bijeenkomsten van 2 en 3 juli 2008 en 1 en 2 juli 2009 de Rijn-MKN's voor dertien stoffen goedgekeurd. Het desbetreffende document is als ICBR-rapport 164 gepubliceerd op de website van de ICBR. Het onderhavige document is een uittreksel uit het stofgegevensblad voor koper, en dient als aanvulling op ICBR-rapport 164. De milieukwaliteitsnormen voor de Rijn (Rijn-MKN's) voor de Rijnrelevante stof koper zijn weergegeven in tabel 1 op pagina 2 en 3.

Tabel 1: Milieukwaliteitsnorm voor alle beschermingsdoelen en specifieke milieukwaliteitsnorm

| Milieukwaliteitsnorm voor alle beschermingsdoelen (MKN) | | | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| Beschermingsdoel | Maximale concentratie (MAC-MKN) | Monitoringswaarde (JG-MKN) | Opmerking |
| Zoete oppervlaktewateren conform KRW | 3,6 µg/l (zonder correctie) | 2,8 µg/l opgelost (zonder correctie) | AC: 0,5 µg/l |
| Overige oppervlaktewateren, kust- en overgangswateren conform KRW | 4,5 µg/l | 3,5 µg/l (zonder correctie) | AC (Noordzee): tussen 0,14 en 0,36 µg/l |
| Specifieke milieukwaliteitsnorm (MKN) | | | |
| Beschermingsdoel | MKN | | Opmerking |
| Aquatische levensgemeenschappen (zoete oppervlaktewateren conform KRW) | Stap I: JG-MKN = 2,8 µg/l (zonder correctie) MAC-MKN = 3,6 µg/l (zonder correctie) Bij overschrijding van de norm: Stap II: Rekening houden met biobeschikbaarheid ¹ | | Alle waarden: opgeloste concentraties AC: 0,5 µg/l |
| Aquatische levensgemeenschappen (kust- en overgangswateren conform KRW) | Stap I: JG-MKN = 3,5 µg/l MAC-MKN = 4,5 µg/l | | AC: tussen 0,14 en 0,36 µg/l voor de Noordzee Bron achtergrondconcentratie: |

¹ Volgens de dochterrichtlijn moeten monitoringsgegevens eerst vergeleken worden met de afgeleide MKN-waarde. Als meetwaarden deze MKN-waarden overschrijden, mag in een tweede stap de meetwaarde vergeleken worden met de MKN + de achtergrondwaarde. Als de MKN + achtergrondwaarde overschreden wordt, mag een correctie voor biobeschikbaarheid worden uitgevoerd op de meetwaarden. Deze voor beschikbaarheid gecorrigeerde waarde wordt dan vergeleken met de MKN + de achtergrondwaarde. Let wel: als voor biobeschikbaarheid gecorrigeerd wordt door middel van de BLM-methode, dan is de achtergrondconcentratie al in de BLM-correctiemethode verwerkt. Met BLM gecorrigeerde meetgegevens dienen daarom met de MKN-waarde te worden vergeleken waarin de achtergrondconcentratie niet is verwerkt. Alle metaalconcentraties zijn uitgedrukt als opgeloste concentraties.

| Milieu kwaliteitsnorm voor alle beschermingsdoelen (MKN) | | | |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| Beschermingsdoel | Maximale concentratie (MAC-MKN) | Monitoringswaarde (JG-MKN) | Opmerking |
| | Bij overschrijding van de norm: Stap II: Rekening houden met DOC-concentratie | | OSPAR, 2004 Alle waarden: opgeloste concentraties |
| Sedimentorganismen | Niet getriggerd | | |
| Doorvergiftiging | Niet getriggerd | | Koper is een essentieel element, opname in organismen is gereguleerd |
| Visconsumptie | Niet getriggerd | | |
| Water voor menselijke consumptie (98/83/EG) | 2 mg/l | | In kraanwater |

Legenda:

BLM = **bio**ligand **m**odel (model voor de berekening van de biobeschikbaarheid)

DOC = **D**issolved **o**rganic **c**arbon (opgeloste organische koolstof)

AC = **a**chtergrondconcentratie

JG = **j**aargemiddelde concentratie

OSPAR = **O**slo and **P**aris convention (OSPAR Commission)

µg = **m**icrogram (één miljoenste gram = 0,000001 g)

MKN = **m**ilieu**k**waliteits**n**orm

MAC = **m**aximaal **a**anvaardbare **c**oncentratie

KRW = **K**aderrichtlijn **W**ater

Stofgegevensblad

- Koper -

1 Stof

| | |
|--|---|
| Naam: | Koper (opgelost dan wel biologisch beschikbaar) |
| IUPAC-naam: | Koper |
| ISO- of CAS-naam: | Koper (Cu) |
| CAS-nummer: | Koper = 7440-50-8 |
| EG-nummer: | 231-159-6 |
| EG-richtlijn 67/548/EG bijlage I index | |
| Lijstnummer in 2006/11/EG (voorheen 76/464/EEG) | Lijst II: metalloïden en metalen |
| Bij onderzoek en evaluatie van toxiciteitstests zijn o.a. de volgende gegevens gebruikt voor de stofidentificatie: | Stof en CAS-nr. Koper = 7440-50-8, Koper(II)sulfaat = 7758-98-7, Koper(I)oxide = 1317-39-1, Koper(II)oxide = 1317-38-0, Koperoxychloride = 1332-65-6 |
| SANDRE-code: | 1392 |
| Stofgroep: | Metalen |

2 Milieukwaliteitsnorm

2.1 Milieukwaliteitsnorm voor alle beschermingsdoelen (Rijn-MKN)

| Beschermingsdoel | Maximale concentratie (MAC-MKN) | Monitoringswaarde (JG-MKN) | Opmerking |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Zoete oppervlaktewateren conform KRW (rivieren en meren) | 3,6 µg/l (zonder correctie) | 2,8 µg/l (zonder correctie) | opgeloste concentratie ² AC (Rijn): 0,5 µg/l |
| Overige oppervlaktewateren conform KRW (kust- en overgangswateren conform KRW) | 4,5 µg/l | 3,5 µg/l (zonder correctie) | opgeloste concentratie ² AC (Noordzee): tussen 0,14 en 0,36 µg/l |

AC = achtergrondconcentratie

2.2 Specifieke milieukwaliteitsnorm (MKN)

| Beschermingsdoel | MKN ³ | Opmerking |
|---|--|---|
| Aquatische levensgemeenschappen (zoete oppervlaktewateren conform KRW) | Stap I: JG-MKN = 2,8 µg/l (zonder correctie) MAC-MKN = 3,6 µg/l (zonder correctie) Bij overschrijding van de norm: stap II: rekening houden met biobeschikbaarheid ⁴ | Alle waarden: opgeloste concentratie ² AC (Rijn): 0,5 µg/l |
| Aquatische levensgemeenschappen (kust- en overgangswateren conform KRW) | Stap I: JG-MKN = 3,5 µg/l MAC-MKN = 4,5 µg/l Bij overschrijding van de norm: stap II: rekening houden met DOC-concentratie | opgeloste concentratie ² AC (Noordzee): tussen 0,14 en 0,36 µg/l Bron achtergrondconcentratie: OSPAR, 2004 |
| Sedimentorganismen | niet getriggerd | |
| Doorvergiftiging | niet getriggerd | Koper is een essentieel element, opname in organismen is gereguleerd |

² Opgeloste concentratie, d.w.z. de opgeloste fase van een watermonster dat is verkregen door filtratie middels een 0,45-µm-filter of door een gelijkwaardige voorbehandeling.

³ Alle metaalconcentraties zijn uitgedrukt als opgeloste concentraties.

⁴ Volgens de dochterrichtlijn moeten monitoringsgegevens eerst vergeleken worden met de afgeleide MKN-waarde. Als meetwaarden deze MKN-waarden overschrijden, mag in een tweede stap de meetwaarde vergeleken worden met de MKN + de achtergrondwaarde. Als de MKN + achtergrondwaarde overschreden wordt, mag een correctie voor biobeschikbaarheid worden uitgevoerd op de meetwaarden. Deze voor beschikbaarheid gecorrigeerde waarde wordt dan vergeleken met de MKN + de achtergrondwaarde. Let wel: als voor biobeschikbaarheid gecorrigeerd wordt door middel van de BLM-methode, dan is de achtergrondconcentratie al in de BLM-correctiemethode verwerkt. Met BLM gecorrigeerde meetgegevens dienen daarom met de MKN-waarde te worden vergeleken waarin de achtergrondconcentratie niet is verwerkt.

| Beschermingsdoel | MKN ³ | Opmerking |
|---|------------------|-----------------|
| Visconsumptie | niet getriggerd | |
| Water voor menselijke consumptie (98/83/EG) | 2 mg/l | (in kraanwater) |

3 Algemene stoffinformatie

3.1 Classificatie en identificatie

| H-zinnen en identificatie | Bron |
|---------------------------|---|
| | Voor meer informatie over koper en zijn verbindingen wordt verwezen naar de website van het ECHA: http://echa.europa.eu . |

3.2 Bestaande kwaliteitsdoelstellingen voor oppervlaktewateren

| Staat | | Waarde | Opmerking | Bron |
|-------|--------|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| ICBR | DS | 50,0 mg/kg | Concentratie in zwevend stof | (ICBR, 1994) |
| AT | JG-MKN | van 1,1 tot 8,8 µg/l | Afhankelijk van de hardheid van het water | Verordening inzake kwaliteitsdoelstellingen chemie oppervlaktewater (QZV Chemie OG), 2006, gewijzigd in 2010 https://www.bmlfuw.gv.at/wasser/wasser-oesterreich/wasserrecht_national/planung/QZVChemieOG.html |
| CH | | 2 µg/l (opgelost) 5 µg/l (totaal) | De waarde voor de opgeloste concentratie is bepalend. Als de waarde voor de totale concentratie de norm niet overschrijdt, kan ervan worden uitgegaan dat de waarde voor de opgeloste concentratie de norm ook niet overschrijdt. | Verordening inzake waterbescherming (GSchV), 1998, gewijzigd in 2015 https://www.admin.ch/opc/de/classified-compilation/19983281/201510010000/814.201.pdf |
| DE | JG-MKN | 160 mg/kg DS | Concentratie in zwevend stof | Verordening inzake oppervlaktewater (OGewV), 2016 http://www.bgbl.de/xaver/bgbl/start.xav?startbk=Bundesanzeiger_BGBl&start=//*%255B@attr_id='bgbl116s1373.pdf'%255D#_bgbl_%2F%2F*%5B%40attr_id%3D%27bgbl116s1373.pdf%27%5D_1467812494501 |
| FR | JG-MKN | 1,0 µg/l | Opgeloste concentratie rekening houdend met de AC en de biobeschikbaarheid voor zoete oppervlaktewateren | Decreet van het Franse ministerie van Ecologie, Duurzame Ontwikkeling en Energie, 2015 |
| NL | JG-MKN | 2,4 µg/l | Zoete oppervlaktewateren, | Regeling monitoring kaderrichtlijn water |

| Staat | | Waarde | Opmerking | Bron |
|-------|--------|----------|---|---|
| | | | opgelost, geen AC-correctie mogelijk ⁵ | http://wetten.overheid.nl/BWBR0027502/ |
| NL | JG-MKN | 1,1 µg/l | Overige oppervlaktewateren, opgelost, AC-correctie mogelijk | Regeling monitoring kaderrichtlijn water http://wetten.overheid.nl/BWBR0027502/ |

DS = droge stof

3.3 Effect en toepassing

Koper is een wijdverspreid overgangsmetaal in de aardkorst en komt van nature in verschillende concentraties voor in het water. In lage concentraties is koper een essentieel sporelement voor alle organismen, maar in hoge concentraties is het zeer giftig voor waterorganismen.

Naast het gebruik van geraffineerd koper als bestanddeel van legeringen worden koperverbindingen ook gebruikt als biocide en, in verschillende landbouwtoepassingen, als fungicide. De werkzame stoffen die vandaag de dag het vaakst worden gebruikt, zijn koperoxychloride en koperhydroxide (Wenzel, Schlich, Shemotyuk and Nendza, 2015).

Toelating in Rijnsoeverstaten (nationale vergunningen / verbodsbepalingen):

Koper en enkele van zijn verbindingen worden genoemd in de Verordening inzake bestaande stoffen (793/93/EG, bijlage 1), de Gewasbeschermingsrichtlijn (91/414/EEG, bijlage 1), de Verordening betreffende het op de markt brengen van gewasbeschermingsmiddelen (1107/2009/EG) en de Biociderichtlijn (98/8/EG, bijlage 1) (Wenzel et al., 2015).

4 Fysisch-chemische stoffeigenschappen

| Eigenschap | | Bron |
|--------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Wateroplosbaarheid | Metallisch koper is zeer slecht oplosbaar in water (< 1 mg/l). Koperzouten zijn daarentegen veelal goed oplosbaar in water, bijv. kopersulfaatpentahydraat (220 g/l). | (Wenzel et al., 2015) (ECHA, 2014) |
| Dichtheid | niet van toepassing | |
| Dampdruk | niet van toepassing | |
| Henry-constante | niet van toepassing | |

5 Gedrag en verblijf in het milieu (indien er informatie beschikbaar is)

| Eigenschap | | Bron |
|---|---------------------|------|
| Biotische en abiotische afbraak | | |
| Halfwaardetijd voor hydrolyse (DT ₅₀) | niet van toepassing | |
| Halfwaardetijd voor fotolyse (DT ₅₀) | niet van toepassing | |
| Gemakkelijk biologisch afbreekbaar (ja/nee) | niet van toepassing | |
| Indien van toepassing: relevante metabolieten | niet van toepassing | |

⁵ Bij toetsing van de resultaten van de monitoring kan een correctie worden toegepast, waarbij rekening wordt gehouden met de waterkwaliteitsparameters die de biologische beschikbaarheid van metalen beïnvloeden. In hoofdstuk 8.1 wordt uitvoerig beschreven hoe er rekening is gehouden met de biobeschikbaarheid.

| Eigenschap | | Bron |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Sorptiegedrag | | |
| log P _{ow} | niet van toepassing | |
| K _{oc} | niet van toepassing | |
| Verdelingscoëfficiënt water / zwevend stof (K _{p_{susp}}) | 30.246 l/kg | Heijerick et al, 2005 |
| Verdelingscoëfficiënt water / sediment (K _{p_{sed}}) | 24.409 l/kg | Heijerick et al, 2005 |
| Log K _{p_{susp}} | 4,7 (referentiebasis: l/kg) | Crommentuijn, et al 1997 |
| Bioaccumulatie | | |
| BCF (vis) | niet relevant | Van Sprang et al., 2008 |
| BAF (vis) | niet relevant | Van Sprang et al., 2008 |
| BMF (biomagnificatie) | niet van toepassing | |

6 Gevolgen voor de aquatische levensgemeenschappen

6.1 Bescherming van de aquatische organismen

Verschillende studies met vissen en andere waterorganismen hebben aangetoond dat koper voornamelijk effecten heeft op kieuwen en kieuwachtige oppervlakken van organismen. Deze organen zijn het aangrijpingspunt voor zowel chronische als acute effecten. De samenstelling van het water speelt bij de waargenomen effecten een grote rol. Ook bij algen, cyanobacteriën en waterplanten is de biobeschikbaarheid en bijgevolg het toxische effect onder andere afhankelijk van de parameters DOC, pH en waterhardheid.

Voor koper zijn er zeer veel effectgegevens beschikbaar, zowel voor het acute als het chronische effect, wat betekent dat er een statistische evaluatie kan worden uitgevoerd d.m.v. de Species Sensitivity Distribution (SSD)-methode (Wenzel et al., 2015). De gegevens komen uit verschillende bronnen en worden niet gedetailleerd weergegeven in hoofdstuk 6.1, maar zijn op een rij gezet in de bijlage. De informatie is verzameld uit verschillende evaluatierapporten.

Uit de gegevens in bijlage 1 blijkt dat de effectgegevens van gevoelige algen en waterplanten, invertebrata en vissen maar weinig verschillen.

De evaluatie van het acute en het chronische effect wijst ook uit dat de acuut/chronisch-ratio (ACR) kan variëren tussen 2 en ongeveer 10. Voor gevoelige soorten worden vaak ACR's van 2-3 gerapporteerd.

Citaat uit US EPA (2007): "Final acute chronic ratio (FACR) of 3.22 was calculated as the geometric mean of the ACRs for sensitive freshwater species, *C. dubia*, *D. magna*, *D. pulex*, *O. tshawytscha*, and *O. mykiss* along with the one saltwater ACR for *C. variegatus*."

6.2 Bescherming van de sedimentorganismen⁶

Volgens de TGD-EQS, hoofdstuk 2.4.2, zou er een milieukwaliteitsnorm moeten worden afgeleid (EC, 2011). In het kader van de werkzaamheden van de ICBR is er van afgezien een MKN voor sediment vast te stellen. Voor sediment zijn minder toxiciteitsgegevens beschikbaar dan voor water. Bovendien is koper goed meetbaar in water. De water-MKN beschermt ook de sedimentorganismen.

6.3 Bescherming van "visetende" diersoorten (doorvergiftiging)

In de vRAR (Van Sprang et al., 2008 ((ECI), 2008)) werd doorvergiftiging van koper in visetende diersoorten onderzocht. Uit de beschikbare gegevens werd geconcludeerd dat bioaccumulatie en stapeling in voedselketens niet relevant zijn voor koper.

Koper is een sporelement waarvan de opname door organismen gereguleerd wordt. Verschillen in opname komen voort uit de verschillen in koperbehoefte. Dit is afhankelijk van soort, grootte, levensstadium en seizoen. Koperregulering vindt plaats in alle soorten en is afhankelijk van soort en levensstadium.

Er is voldoende bewijs, zowel voor aquatische als voor terrestrische voedselketens, dat koper niet stapelt in de voedselketen. Ook uit veldstudies blijkt dat koper niet stapelt in voedselketens. Daarom hoeft er geen kwaliteitsnorm te worden afgeleid.

7 Gevolgen voor de humane gezondheid

De trigger voor het afleiden van een norm op basis van gevolgen voor de humane gezondheid is niet overschreden.

8 Berekening van de milieukwaliteitsnormen

8.1 Berekening van de milieukwaliteitsnorm ter bescherming van aquatische organismen

8.1.1 Zoete oppervlaktewateren

JG-MKN

De volgende uitgangspunten zijn gehanteerd bij de afleiding van de norm voor koper als Rijnrelevante stof:

- richtlijn 2000/60/EG (Kaderrichtlijn Water),
- handreiking voor de afleiding van milieukwaliteitsnormen - TGD-EQS (EC, 2011).

Voor aquatische organismen is met name het opgeloste deel van de aanwezige metaalionen relevant voor opname en effecten in organismen. Bij de beoordeling van toxiciteitstesten is het daarom relevant om de opgeloste concentratie te beoordelen: de opgeloste concentratie is een betere maat voor toxiciteit dan de totaalconcentratie.

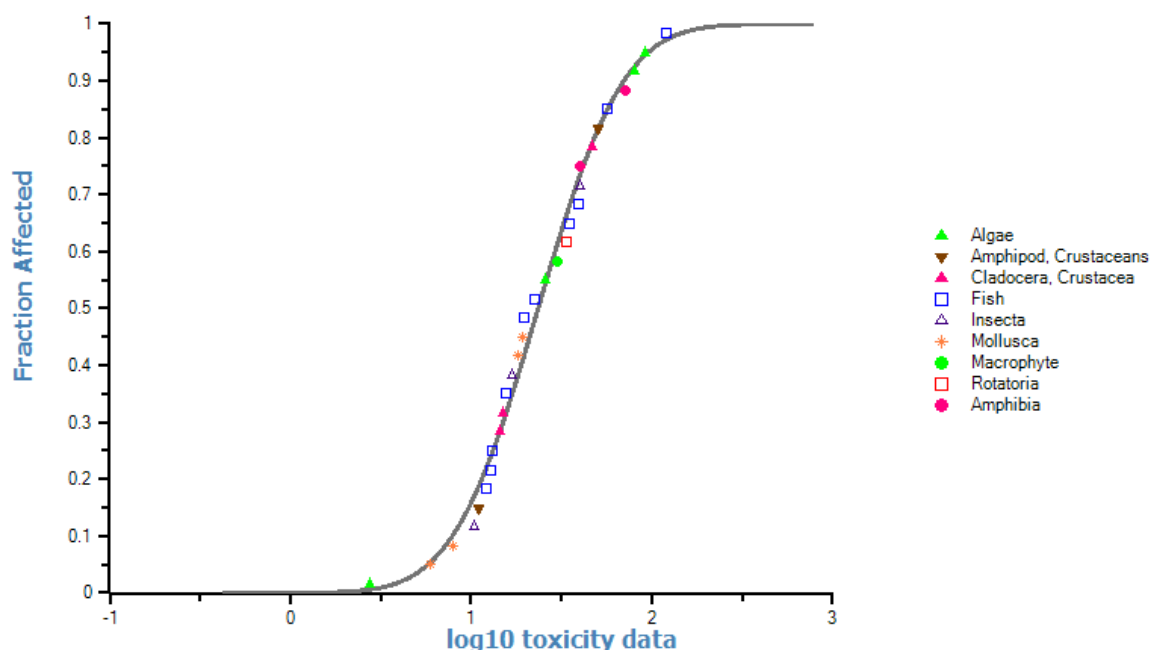
Afleiding van een norm gebaseerd op ongecorrigeerde toxiciteitsgegevens

Voor koper zijn voldoende acute en chronische toxiciteitsgegevens beschikbaar om d.m.v. SSD de HC5-50 conform TGD-EQS te berekenen.

Uit de log-normale verdeling van de chronische toxiciteitsgegevens wordt voor koper de HC5-50 waarde van 5,68 µg/l afgeleid (Wenzel et al., 2015). De gegevensbasis voor de berekening van deze waarde is te vinden in bijlage 1. De cumulatieve frequentieverdeling is weergegeven in figuur 1.

⁶ Optioneel, kan worden behandeld indien kennis beschikbaar is.

SSD Graph - Cumulative frequency distributions of the non-normalised species mean NOEC values



Figuur 1: Cumulatieve frequentieverdeling van de niet-genormaliseerde gemiddelde NOEC-waarden voor zoetwaterorganismen (bron: Wenzel 2014)

Omdat er voor koper voor 30 soorten NOEC-waarden en resultaten van mesocosm studies beschikbaar zijn, wordt een veiligheidsfactor van 2 adequaat geacht voor de Rijn-MKN, en toegepast op de HC5 van 5,68 µg/l. De JG-MKN wordt dan 2,8 µg/l (afgerond).

De waarde voor de kopernorm is: JG-MKN = 2,8 µg/l

Het nadeel van het gebruik van niet-genormaliseerde toxiciteitsgegevens is dat in sommige gevallen er een hoge intra-species variatie blijft bestaan. De gemiddelde toxiciteit die voor een soort wordt afgeleid, kent daardoor een grotere onzekerheid. Er dient te worden nagegaan of de op deze wijze afgeleide JG-MKN beschermend is voor wateren van verschillende samenstelling.

De meeste van de gebruikte toxiciteitsstudies werden uitgevoerd bij relatief lage DOC-concentraties in het testmedium. Dit betekent dat in deze studies veel van de aanwezige koper in opgeloste (beschikbare vorm) aanwezig is.

De HC5-waarde (zonder veiligheidsfactor) die kan worden afgeleid op basis van ongecorrigeerde toxiciteitsgegevens (waarde: 5,68 µg/l) ligt iets lager dan de PNEC die wordt afgeleid voor rivieren met een samenstelling die 10-90% van de samenstelling van Europese rivieren dekt. Deze PNEC is 7,5 µg/l. De waarde is ook lager dan de waarde die in de vRAR voor koper wordt afgeleid voor de meest gevoelige ecoregio (waarde: 7,8 µg/l).

De op basis van ongecorrigeerde toxiciteitsgegevens afgeleide norm is daarmee voldoende beschermend voor de meeste waterlichamen.

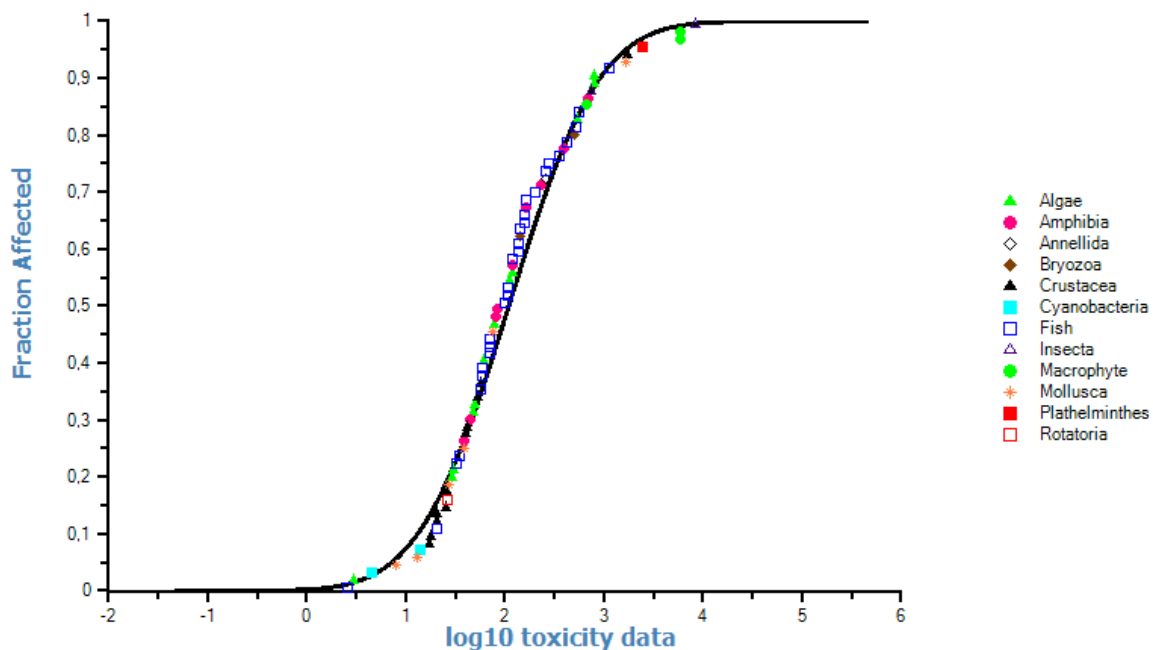
Uit het overzicht in hoofdstuk 3.2 blijkt dat er in de lidstaten ook andere kwaliteitseisen aan koper zijn verankerd in de wet. In Duitsland is er bijvoorbeeld een waarde van 160 mg/kg DS vastgesteld voor zwevend stof. In Frankrijk is er een JG-MKN afgeleid van 1,0 µg/l, waarin de achtergrondconcentratie al is meegenomen en er tevens rekening kan worden gehouden met de biobeschikbaarheid. Ook de Nederlandse waarde van 2,4 µg/l kan afhankelijk van de biobeschikbaarheid nog worden aangepast. Echter, met de achtergrondconcentratie kan geen rekening worden gehouden.

MAC-MKN

Op basis van de laagste L(E)C50 voor de standaardorganismen alg, daphnia en vis (13 µg/l) en een veiligheidsfactor van 10 wordt een MAC-MKN van 1,3 µg/l berekend. Deze waarde is lager dan de JG-MKN. Omdat er genoeg acute effectgegevens zijn, zou de SSD-methode moeten worden toegepast om een beter onderbouwde MAC-MKN af te leiden.

Gegevens over de acute toxiciteit van koper voor zoetwaterorganismen zijn in voldoende kwaliteit beschikbaar voor 72 soorten van 11 taxonomische groepen (amfibieën, vissen, kleine kreeftachtigen, insecten, mosdiertjes, raderdieren, weekdieren, ringwormen, algen, macrofyten en cyanobacteriën). Soortspecifieke L(E)C50-waarden zijn zonder normalisatie voor de fysisch-chemische waterparameters gebruikt in een SSD. Daarbij is een generieke HC5-waarde van 7,13 µg/l berekend (Wenzel et al., 2015). De dataset voor de berekening van de HC5-waarde op basis van acute effectgegevens is te vinden in bijlage 1. De cumulatieve frequentieverdeling van de L(E)C50-waarden is weergegeven in figuur 2.

SSD Graph - Cumulative frequency distributions of the non-normalised species mean EC50 values



Figuur 2: Cumulatieve frequentieverdeling van de niet-genormaliseerde gemiddelde EC50-waarden voor zoetwaterorganismen (bron: Wenzel 2014)

In de meeste natuurlijke oppervlaktewateren bestaan er maar kleine verschillen tussen de acute en de chronische toxiciteit (zie bijlage 3). Er zijn zeer veel acute en chronische effectgegevens beschikbaar en voor daphnia en vissen wordt een acuut/chronisch-ratio (ACR) afgeleid van respectievelijk 2,1 en 2,6. Als gevolg van de lage acuut/chronisch-ratio kan de veiligheidsfactor van 10 worden verlaagd. Voor de MAC-MKN wordt een veiligheidsfactor van 2 vastgesteld, die dient te worden toegepast op de HC5 die is berekend op basis van acute effectgegevens.

$$\text{MAC-MKN} = 7,1 \text{ } [\mu\text{g/l}] / 2 = 3,55 \text{ } [\mu\text{g/l}] \text{ afgerond } 3,6 \text{ } [\mu\text{g/l}]$$

De waarde voor de kopernorm is: MAC-MKN = 3,6 $\mu\text{g/l}$

Achtergrondconcentratie voor de Rijn

Bij de controle van het testmedium voor aquatische biotests wordt doorgaans een koperconcentratie < 0,5 $\mu\text{g/l}$ vastgesteld. Het medium in test 201 "Algen en cyanobacteriën groeitest" bevat zelfs maar 0,012 $\mu\text{g/l}$ ($\text{CuCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$) (OECD, 2011).

In de bijlage is een (Engelstalige) sectie opgenomen met informatie over achtergrondgehalten (AC) van koper in de EU. De mediane waarde van de AC voor Europa is 0,88 $\mu\text{g/l}$. Voor Nederland is de AC gemiddeld 0,5 $\mu\text{g/l}$ (Osté, L. (2013)).

Voor Duitsland wordt voor de achtergrondconcentratie een mediane waarde van 1,03 $\mu\text{g/l}$ opgelost koper aangegeven (Birke, 2006). In dit verband kan voor de Rijn een achtergrondconcentratie voor opgelost koper van ongeveer 0,5 - 1 $\mu\text{g/l}$ worden aangenomen. Omdat de achtergrondconcentratie voor de Rijn lager is dan de voorgestelde JG-MKN hoeft er in de Rijn en zijn stroomgebied niet extra rekening te worden gehouden met de achtergrondconcentratie.

In de nationale wet- en regelgeving van de lidstaten wordt er soms anders omgegaan met de achtergrondconcentratie. In Frankrijk wordt hiermee bijvoorbeeld rekening gehouden in de JG-MKN (zie hoofdstuk 3.2).

Toetsing van monitoringsgegevens

Voor de beoordeling van monitoringsgegevens wordt een generieke norm afgeleid voor de opgeloste koperconcentratie. Na geconstateerde overschrijding van deze generieke norm **kan** bij de toetsing van monitoringsgegevens een correctie voor de beschikbaarheid van het metaal worden uitgevoerd, waarbij rekening wordt gehouden met de invloed van pH, DOC, hardheid en andere relevante parameters. Bijlage 5 toont een voorbeeld waarbij met inachtneming van DOC, pH en hardheidswaarden op de meetpunten in de Rijn, de ongecorrigeerde HC5-50-waarde wordt omgezet naar lokale HC5-50-waarden op die meetpunten. Dit resulteert in lokale HC5-50-waarden tussen 4 en 10 $\mu\text{g Cu/l}$. Er is daarbij geen AF op de HC5-50 toegepast.

Het effect van DOC, pH en hardheid op de HC5-50 is vergelijkbaar met het effect van deze parameters op de JG-MKN en de MAC-MKN op de gekozen meetpunten.

Voor deze berekening bestaan diverse modellen.

8.1.2 Overige oppervlaktewateren

[gebaseerd op hoofdstuk 3.2.7 van de *voluntary risk assessment report of copper and copper compounds*, te vinden in het document *vrar_effects_part_4_en.rtf* op de website van <http://echa.europa.eu/copper-voluntary-risk-assessment-reports>; download 16 juni 2015]

JG-MKN

De normafleiding voor het mariene milieu is gebaseerd op het voluntary Risk Assessment Report voor koper (vRAR). De mariene PNEC in de vRAR is gebaseerd op de beschikbare hoog kwalitatieve toxiciteitsgegevens (Ri 1) voor mariene soorten. Dit gegevensbestand bevat in totaal 51 NOEC-waarden voor 24 soorten uit 8 taxonomische groepen. De soorten die zijn vertegenwoordigd in de dataset zijn:

- algen: *Phaeodactylum tricornutum*, *Skeletonema costatum*,
- macroalgen: *Macrocystis pyrifera* en *Fucus vesiculosus*,
- weekdieren: *Mytilus edulis*, *Mytilus galloprovincialis*, *Prototheca staminea*, *Crassostrea gigas*, *Mercenaria mercenaria*, *Placopecten magellanicus*,
- een annelide: *Neanthes arenaceodentata*,
- kreeftachtigen: de decapoden *Pandalus danae*, *Penaeus mergulensis* en *Penaeus monodon*, de copepoden *Eurytemora affinis*, *Tisbe battagliai* en *Tisbe furcata* en de branchiopode *Artemia franciscana*,
- een echinoderm: *Paracentrotus lividus*,
- neteldieren: *Acropora tenuis*, *Goniastrea aspera*, *Lobophytum compactum* en
- vissen: *Cyprinodon variegatus*, *Atherinopsis affinis*.

Met behulp van statistische extrapolatie (Species Sensitivity Distributions, SSD) is uit de NOECs een HC5 afgeleid van 4,6 µg/l. Omdat er een relatie is tussen de toxiciteit en het gehalte opgelost organisch koolstof (DOC) zijn de ecotoxiciteitsgegevens genormaliseerd naar 0,2, 0,5 en 2,0 mg DOC/l. De keuze voor de drie DOC-gehalten is gebaseerd op de DOC-waarden in het model MAMPEC, dat wordt gebruikt voor de risicobeoordeling van mariene antifoulingverf. In dit model wordt een DOC-gehalte van 2,0 mg/l gebruikt voor kustwateren en jachthavens en 0,2 mg/l voor open zee. De vRAR geeft ook een overzicht van DOC-gehalten in verschillende zoute wateren, de relevante tabellen zijn hieronder gekopieerd:

Tabel 2: Overzicht van DOC-gehalten (range of gemiddelde) in estuaria (saliniteit > 15%; Abril et al. 2002)

| Estuaria | DOC mg/l |
|----------|-----------|
| Schelde | 2,9 - 3,5 |
| Rijn | 1,8 - 2,4 |
| Gironde | 1,1 - 1,8 |
| Theems | 2,6 |
| Elbe | 3,1 |
| Eems | 5,1 |
| Sado | 3,6 |
| Douro | 1,9 |
| Loire | 2,4 |

Tabel 3: Overzicht van DOC-gehalten in de Noordzee en de Atlantische Oceaan (Ferrari et al. 2000; Obernoster en Herdndl 2000)

| Onderzochte gebieden | DOC (gemiddelde (SD) of range) mg/l | Bron |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Rijn - golf | 6,5 (0,9) | Ferrari et al., 2000 |
| Noordzeekust | 4,4 - 9,9 | Obernoster en Herdndl, 2000 |
| Atlantische Oceaan (volle zee) | 1,7 (0,9) | Ferrari et al., 2000 |
| Atlantische Oceaan (diepzee > 500 m) | 0,7 | Ferrari et al., 2000 |

Tabel 4: Op basis van de genormaliseerde dataset zijn de volgende HC5's berekend (tabel gekopieerd uit vRAR):

| Scenario | HC5 met een betrouwbaarheidsgrens van 50% ($\mu\text{g/l}$) en toepassing van de best passende verdeling | HC5 met een betrouwbaarheidsgrens van 50% ($\mu\text{g/l}$) en toepassing van de log-normaalverdeling (ETX) |
|----------------|--|---|
| DOC = 0,2 mg/l | 1,3 $\mu\text{g l}^{-1}$ Log extreem | 1,1 $\mu\text{g l}^{-1}$ Marginaal ($p = 0,05$) |
| DOC = 0,5 mg/l | 2,2 $\mu\text{g l}^{-1}$ Log extreem | 1,9 $\mu\text{g l}^{-1}$ Marginaal ($p = 0,05$) |
| DOC = 2,0 mg/l | 5,2 $\mu\text{g l}^{-1}$ Log extreem | 4,4 $\mu\text{g l}^{-1}$ Marginaal ($p = 0,05$) |

De NOEC's van alle Ri 1-studies zijn gebaseerd op gemeten gehalten totaal opgelost koper en daarom is een correctie voor achtergrondconcentraties niet van toepassing. Als mariene PNEC geeft de vRAR uiteindelijk de HC5-50 van 5,2 $\mu\text{g/l}$ bij 2,0 mg DOC/l. De NOEC voor de alg *Phaedodactylum tricornutum* is met 4,4 $\mu\text{g/l}$ (genormaliseerde waarde) de enige studie met een NOEC lager dan deze HC5-50. Omdat betrouwbare veldstudies en/of mesocosm studies ontbreken werd in de TC NES overeenstemming bereikt over het toepassen van een veiligheidsfactor van 2 en werd de PNEC vastgesteld als 2,6 $\mu\text{g/l}$ (JRC, 2008). De TC NES was van mening dat gezien het grote aantal gegevens de veiligheidsfactor op termijn zou kunnen worden verlaagd als de HC5 zou worden bevestigd door betrouwbare, representatieve en eenduidige mesocosmdata (JRC, 2008)⁷.

Ten aanzien van de veiligheidsfactor wordt in de vRAR opgemerkt dat als er een veiligheidsfactor van 2 wordt toegepast, de resulterende PNEC's dichtbij de achtergrondconcentratie komen te liggen. De gemiddelde koperconcentratie van de controles van de Ri 1 toetsen die in de SSD zijn gebruikt is 2,5 $\mu\text{g/l}$, de mediaan is 2,0 $\mu\text{g/l}$. Volgens de auteurs van de vRAR geeft dit aan dat de PNEC mogelijk overbeschermend is.

Er is een mariene mesocosmstudie beschikbaar uit 2009 (Foekema et al., 2011; 2015). Deze studie is uitgevoerd ter validatie van de genormaliseerde HC5. De studie is door het RIVM samengevat en geëvalueerd (zie bijlage). Natuurlijke populaties en een aantal geïntroduceerde soorten zijn gedurende 82 dagen continu blootgesteld aan verschillende concentraties koper. Gemeten concentraties opgelost koper waren 1,0 $\mu\text{g/l}$ in de controle en 2,9 - 5,7 - 9,9 - 16 - 31 $\mu\text{g Cu/l}$ in de behandelingen. De mesocosmstudie levert een LOEC van 9,9 $\mu\text{g Cu/l}$ op basis van uitgesproken effecten op de reproductie van geïntroduceerde kokkels (*Cerastoderma edule*) en op turbiditeit en in mindere mate op periphyton en copepoden. De NOEC is 5,7 $\mu\text{g Cu/l}$.

De mesocosm-NOEC van 5,7 $\mu\text{g Cu/l}$ is in lijn met de genormaliseerde HC5 van 5,2 $\mu\text{g Cu/l}$ bij 2 mg DOC/l, maar het DOC-gehalte in de mesocosm was hoger dan 2 mg/l. Het DOC-gehalte in de controle was bij het inrichten van de mesocosms 2,4 mg DOC/l en nam tijdens de studie toe tot 4,2 mg DOC/l. Bij de hoogste concentratie van 31 $\mu\text{g/l}$ was er vanaf dag 19 een significant hoger DOC-gehalte met waarden van 6,2-6,8 mg DOC/l na 84 dagen, bij 16 $\mu\text{g/l}$ was het DOC verhoogd vanaf dag 43 tot 5,4-5,8 mg DOC/l na 84 dagen. Bij de behandelingen met 2,9, 5,7 en 9,9 $\mu\text{g Cu/l}$ was het verloop in DOC vergelijkbaar met dat van de controle. Het gemiddelde DOC-gehalte in de behandelingen t/m 9,9 $\mu\text{g Cu/l}$ was 3,6 mg DOC/l (Foekema et al., 2015).

Om een vergelijking te maken tussen de mesocosm-NOEC en de HC5, hebben Foekema et al. (2015) de HC5 van 5,2 $\mu\text{g Cu/l}$ bij 2 mg DOC/l gecorrigeerd naar 3,6 mg DOC/l,

⁷ "TC NES agreed that, considering the large amount of information available, this assessment factor could in future be reduced if the HC5-50 could be validated with reliable, representative and comprehensive mesocosm data."

gebruikmakend van de correctieformule voor DOC uit de vRAR⁸. De corresponderende HC5 bij 3,6 mg DOC/l is 7,5 µg Cu/l (range 6,9 – 8,6 µg Cu/L). Omdat deze waarde tussen de NOEC en de LOEC van de mesocosm in ligt, levert de mesocosm geen eenduidig bewijs dat er geen effecten zullen optreden op het niveau van de HC5. De reproductie van kokkels in de mesocosm neemt boven 5,7 µg Cu/l sterk af: bij 9,9 µg Cu/l is het aantal juvenielen 18,5% van de controle. Uit de reproductiegegevens kan een EC10 worden berekend van 6,2 µg Cu/l. Dit is lager is dan de HC5 van 7,5 µg Cu/l. Dit betekent dat de HC5 niet beschermend is voor de effecten op kokkels in de mesocosm. De correctieformule uit de vRAR kan ook worden gebruikt om de mesocosm-NOEC van 3,6 mg DOC/l terug te rekenen naar 2 mg DOC/l. Dit levert een NOEC van 4,0 µg Cu/l, de LOEC is dan 6,9 µg/l. Omgerekend naar 2 mg DOC/l is de EC10 voor kokkels gelijk aan 4,3 µg Cu/l.

Samenvattend zijn er de volgende gegevens bij een DOC van 2 mg/l:

vRAR: HC5 = 5,2 µg Cu/l
PNEC = 2,6 µg Cu/l

Mesocosm:NOEC = 4,0 µg Cu/l
EC10_{Kokkel} = 4,3 µg Cu/l
LOEC = 6,9 µg Cu/l

Op basis van deze vergelijking is de conclusie dat de mesocosm onvoldoende basis biedt om de veiligheidsfactor te verlagen naar 1 en de PNEC daarmee te verhogen naar 5,2 µg Cu/l. Aan de andere kant is een PNEC van 2,6 µg Cu/l wellicht overbeschermend in vergelijking met de NOEC uit de mesocosm.

Een alternatief zou zijn om de gecorrigeerde NOEC van de mesocosm (4,0 µg Cu/l bij 2 mg DOC/l) als JG-MKN te gebruiken. Dit wijkt wel af van de gebruikelijke gang van zaken waarbij altijd een veiligheidsfactor van minimaal 2 op de NOEC van een mesocosm wordt gezet.

Een tweede alternatief is te kijken naar de HC5 die op basis van de andere verdelingen zijn gefit. De HC5 van 5,2 µg Cu/l is gebaseerd op een *log extreme* benadering. Deze werd gekozen boven de HC5 op basis van de log-normale verdeling volgens ETX (Van Vlaardingen et al., 2004). Argument was dat twee van de drie *goodness-of-fit* testen voor een log-normale verdeling in ETX werden verworpen. Algemeen kan worden gesteld dat het niet wenselijk is om af te wijken van de aanname van een log-normale verdeling, tenzij andere verdeling op basis van een mechanistische verklaring de voorkeur heeft. Brock et al. (2011) geven aan dat de uitkomst van *goodness-of-fit* testen in ETX erg gevoelig is voor het aantal datapunten. Bij grote datasets wordt een afwijking van de normale verdeling makkelijker aangetoond. Volgens Brock et al. (2011) kan niet voldoen aan de *goodness-of-fit* test worden geaccepteerd als de gefitte curve in de staart van de verdeling *worst-case* is, dat wil zeggen dat de meeste datapunten rond de HC5 aan de rechterkant van de curve liggen. Dit is bij koper het geval. De HC5 volgens ETX is 4,4 µg Cu/l bij 2 mg DOC/l. Deze waarde komt goed overeen met de NOEC en EC10 uit de mesocosm-studie van respectievelijk 4,0 en 4,3 µg Cu/l. Voorstel is om de HC5 van 4,4 µg Cu/l te beschouwen als PNEC bij 2 mg DOC/l.

Dit betekent dat er geen veiligheidsfactor wordt toegepast op de HC5. Dit is te verdedigen op basis van de volgende argumenten:

- Er is een grote dataset en de kwaliteit van de individuele studies is hoog;
- De dataset kent een grote taxonomische diversiteit;

⁸ De correctieformule is $HC5_{3.6 \text{ mg DOC/L}} = HC2_{\text{ mg DOC/L}} \times (3.6/2)^{0.6136}$

- De log-normale HC5 is beschermend voor de laagste individuele NOEC-waarde (de genormaliseerde NOEC van 4,4 µg Cu/l voor *Phaedodactylum tricornutum* is gelijk aan de log-normale HC5);
- De NOEC en de EC10 uit de mesocosmstudie liggen dicht bij de HC5 en bevestigen deze;
- Met een hogere veiligheidsfactor is er een risico dat de PNEC in de buurt van de achtergrondconcentratie komt.

De vraag is vervolgens of PNEC van 4,4 µg Cu/l direct als zoutwater JG-MKN kan worden gebruikt. Hiervoor moet worden beoordeeld of de normalisatie naar 2 mg DOC/l acceptabel is voor de kust- en overgangswateren waar de mariene MKN onder de Kaderrichtlijn Water (KRW) voor is bedoeld. Daarom zijn voor relevante locaties uit het meetnet zoute wateren (Bogaart-Scholte et al., 2014) de DOC-gehalten van 2014 opgevraagd via de monitoringsdatabase van Rijkswaterstaat Waterbase⁹. In onderstaande tabel staat een samenvatting van maandelijkse of tweewekelijkse metingen op 25 locaties in het Eems/Dollardgebied, de Waddenzee, Noordzee en Zeeuwse (kust)wateren tot maximaal 10 km uit de kust. De locaties die worden gebruikt voor de toetsing en rapportage onder de KRW zijn vetgedrukt weergegeven.

Tabel 5: DOC in 2014 in mg/l op verschillende meetlocaties

| | | DOC in 2014 [mg/l] | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------|------|------|
| | | jaargem. | me- diaan | min. | max. |
| Groote Gat noord | Dollard | 6,9 | 6,9 | 4,8 | 10,9 |
| Bocht van Watum | Eems | 5,0 | 5,1 | 3,6 | 6,1 |
| Dreischor | Grevelingenmeer | 2,3 | 2,3 | 1,8 | 2,7 |
| Herkingen | Grevelingenmeer | 2,5 | 2,5 | 1,5 | 3,2 |
| Scharendijke diepe put | Grevelingenmeer | 2,0 | 2,0 | 1,5 | 2,5 |
| Goeree 2 km uit de kust | Noordzee | 1,4 | 1,4 | 1,0 | 2,3 |
| Goeree 6 km uit de kust | Noordzee | 1,4 | 1,4 | 1,0 | 1,8 |
| Noordwijk 2 km uit de kust | Noordzee | 1,6 | 1,5 | 1,1 | 2,9 |
| Rottumerplaat 3 km uit de kust | Noordzee | 1,9 | 1,8 | 1,4 | 2,6 |
| Schouwen 10 km uit de kust | Noordzee | 1,2 | 1,2 | 0,8 | 1,5 |
| Terschelling 10 km uit de kust | Noordzee | 1,3 | 1,3 | 0,9 | 1,8 |
| Walcheren 2 km uit de kust | Noordzee | 1,3 | 1,3 | 1,0 | 1,7 |
| Boomkensdiep | Noordzee, Terschelling | 1,5 | 1,5 | 1,1 | 2,0 |
| Lodijkse Gat | Oosterschelde | 2,0 | 2,0 | 1,3 | 2,5 |
| Wissenkerke | Oosterschelde | 1,5 | 1,4 | 1,2 | 1,8 |
| Zijpe | Oosterschelde | 2,0 | 2,0 | 0,9 | 2,6 |
| Soelekerkepolder oost | Veerse meer | 3,1 | 3,1 | 2,6 | 3,5 |
| Dantziggat | Waddenzee, Ameland | 2,4 | 2,4 | 1,6 | 3,1 |
| Huibertgat oost | Waddenzee, Borkum | 2,1 | 2,0 | 1,4 | 2,9 |
| Marsdiep noord | Waddenzee, Den Helder | 1,8 | 1,8 | 1,2 | 2,6 |
| Doove Balg West | Waddenzee, Texel | 2,4 | 2,4 | 1,3 | 2,9 |
| Vliestroom | Waddenzee, Vlieland | 1,8 | 1,7 | 1,3 | 2,3 |
| Hansweert geul | Westerschelde | 2,8 | 2,7 | 2,2 | 3,6 |
| Terneuzen boei 20 | Westerschelde | 2,2 | 2,2 | 1,9 | 2,9 |
| Vlissingen boei SSVH | Westerschelde | 1,7 | 1,7 | 1,5 | 2,2 |

⁹ http://live.waterbase.nl/waterbase_wns.cfm?taal=nl

Uit deze gegevens blijkt dat het DOC-gehalte in het Eems/Dollard-gebied en in de Waddenzee hoger is dan 2 mg/l, maar in de Noordzee lager. De keuze om de norm te normaliseren naar een DOC-gehalte van 2 mg/l zou betekenen dat er op bepaalde locaties een deel van het jaar mogelijk sprake is van onderbescherming. In de KRW-guidance (EC, 2011) geldt als uitgangspunt voor een generieke norm dat deze beschermend moet zijn voor tenminste 95% van de situaties.

Het 5^e percentiel van alle metingen is 1,1 mg DOC/l, gemiddelde 2,3 mg DOC/l, de mediaan 2,0 mg DOC/l, het minimum 0,83 en maximum 10,9 mg DOC/l. Het 5^e percentiel van de jaargemiddelden van alle locaties is 1,3 mg DOC/l. Weglaten van de locaties op 6 en 10 km van de kust, dus buiten de 1-mijlszone waarop de KRW-definitie van kustwateren betrekking heeft, levert een 5^e percentiel van 1,4 mg DOC/l. Het 5^e percentiel van alleen de toetsingslocaties is ook 1,4 mg DOC/l.

Daarom wordt voorgesteld om 1,4 mg DOC/l als uitgangspunt te nemen voor de zoutwater JG-MKN. Omgerekend naar dit DOC-gehalte is de HC5 3,5 µg Cu/l.

De generieke zoutwater JG-MKN wordt daarom vastgesteld op 3,5 µg Cu/l. Deze waarde geldt bij een gemeten DOC-gehalte van 1,4 mg DOC/l. Bij toetsing van de norm kan een locatiespecifieke DOC-correctie worden toegepast.

MAC-MKN

Voor de MAC-MKN voor overige oppervlaktewateren wordt uitgegaan van dezelfde verhouding tussen JG-MKN en MAC-MKN als voor zoete oppervlaktewateren, namelijk een verhouding van $3,6 / 2,8 = 1,29$.

Op grond van deze verhouding wordt een MAC-MKN voor overige oppervlaktewateren vastgesteld van 4,5 µg Cu/l.

Achtergrondconcentraties en correctie voor biobeschikbaarheid

Achtergrondconcentratie voor de overige oppervlaktewateren

Door OSPAR worden de opgeloste koperconcentraties (achtergrondconcentraties) geschat voor ver uit de kust gelegen gebied. Voor regio II (Noordzee) is een range van 0,140 - 0,360 µg/l aangegeven (OSPAR, 2004).

De meest waarschijnlijke waarde is nog onderwerp van discussie. Er dient opgemerkt te worden dat deze achtergrondconcentratie laag is ten opzichte van de voorgestelde JG-MKN.

Toetsing van monitoringsgegevens

Voor zoutwaterorganismen werd geen BLM ontwikkeld, omdat de biobeschikbaarheid in zout water alleen afhankelijk is van DOC. Dit komt omdat de concentraties van pH, Ca en Mg in zeewater relatief constant zijn. Wel werden goede correlaties gevonden tussen toxiciteit en DOC-concentratie. Dit rechtvaardigt een correctiestap die rekening houdt met DOC-invloed op de monitoringsresultaten.

8.2 Berekening van de milieukwaliteitsnorm ter bescherming van sedimentorganismen

Zie hoofdstuk 6.2

8.3 Berekening van de milieukwaliteitsnorm ter bescherming van "visetende" diersoorten

Zie hoofdstuk 6.3.

8.4 Berekening van de milieukwaliteitsnorm voor de visconsumptie

JG-MKN met betrekking tot voedselinname door de mens

De bioaccumulatie van koper in biota wordt niet relevant geacht (zie hoofdstuk 6.3 en hoofdstuk 7). Daarom wordt dit gedeelte over effecten op de humane gezondheid niet verder uitgewerkt.

8.5 Milieukwaliteitsnorm ter bescherming van het drinkwater en de drinkwaterproductie

Conform de EG-richtlijn 98/83/EG (richtlijn over de kwaliteit van voor menselijke consumptie bestemd water, voorheen 80/778/EEG) dient ter bescherming van de drinkwatervoorziening een maximumwaarde te worden toegepast van 2 mg Cu/l voor kraanwater.

8.6 Milieukwaliteitsnorm voor alle beschermingsdoelen

Het bepalende beschermingsdoel is: bescherming van aquatische organismen

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Annexe 1: Test results for aquatic organism

Table 1.1: Summary of the “species mean” L/EC₅₀ values (total risk approach) in µg Cu. L⁻¹ (with geometric means per species) as used for the SSD modeling [Quelle: Wenzel (2014)].

| Taxonomic group | Common name | Species | Species (Mean) Acute Value (µg Cu/L) total |
|-----------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| Algae | Chlorophyceae | <i>Chlorella sp. (PNG isolate)</i> | 3.0 |
| | Chlorophyceae | <i>Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata</i> | 29.1 |
| | Chlorophyceae | <i>Scenedesmus acutus</i> | 29.9 |
| | Chlorophyceae | <i>Chlorella sp. (NT isolate)</i> | 47.5 |
| | Chlorophyceae | <i>Chlamydomonas reinhardtii</i> | 49.9 |
| | Chlorophyceae | <i>Scenedesmus incrassatulus</i> | 61 |
| | Chlorophyceae | <i>Chlorella pyrenoidosa</i> | 78 |
| | Chlorophyceae | <i>Chlorella vulgaris</i> | 110.5 |
| | Chlorophyceae | <i>Scenedesmus subspicatus</i> | 120 |
| | Chlorophyceae | <i>Chlorella saccharophila</i> | 550 |
| | Diatom | <i>Nitzschia linearis</i> | 795 |
| | Diatom | <i>Navicula seminulum</i> | 805 |
| Amphibia | Green pond frog | <i>Rana hexadactyla</i> | 39 |
| | Cope's gray tree frog | <i>Hyla chrysoscelis</i> | 45 |
| | The natterjack toad | <i>Epidalea calamita</i> | 80 |
| | Leopard frog | <i>Rana pipiens</i> | 85 |
| | Boreal toad | <i>Bufo boreas</i> | 120 |
| | Bronze frog | <i>Lithobates clamitans ssp. clamitans</i> | 163 |
| | Southern leopard frog | <i>Rana sphenoccephala</i> | 230 |
| | Indian bullfrog | <i>Rana tigrana</i> | 389 |
| | African clawed frog | <i>Xenopus laevis</i> | 685 |
| Crustacea | Cladocera | <i>Ceriodaphnia reticulata</i> | 17 |
| | Cladocera | <i>Scapholeberis sp.</i> | 18 |
| | Amphipod | <i>Gammarus</i> | 20.4 |
| | Amphipod | <i>Hyalella azteca</i> | 20.8 |
| | Cladocera | <i>Daphnia magna</i> | 25.7 |
| | Cladocera | <i>Ceriodaphnia dubia</i> | 26.2 |
| | Anostraca | <i>Thamnocephalus platyurus.</i> | 40 |
| | Cladocera | <i>Daphnia pulicaria</i> | 41.2 |
| | Cladocera | <i>Daphnia pulex</i> | 53 |
| | Cladocera | <i>Simocephalus vetulus</i> | 57 |
| | Decapoda | <i>Macrobrachium hendersodayanus</i> | 1750 |
| Cyanobacteria | Cyanobacteria | <i>Microcystis flos-aquae</i> | 4.5 |
| | Cyanobacteria | <i>Microcystis aeruginosa</i> | 13.9 |
| Annelida | Worm | <i>Lumbriculus variega</i> | 259.9 |
| Bryozoa | Moss animal | <i>Pectinatella magnifica</i> | 140 |
| | Moss animal | <i>Lophopodella carteri</i> | 510 |
| Fish | Arctic grayling | <i>Thymallus arcticus</i> | 2.6 |
| | Northern | <i>Ptychocheilus orego</i> | 20.3 |

| Taxonomic group | Common name | Species | Species (Mean) Acute Value ($\mu\text{g Cu/L}$) total |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| | squawfish | | |
| | Chinook salmon | <i>Oncorhynchus tshaw</i> | 32.6 |
| | Rainbow trout | <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i> | 34.7 |
| | Mosquitofish | <i>Gambusia affinis</i> | 56 |
| | Coho salmon | <i>Oncorhynchus kisutc</i> | 58.9 |
| | Fountain darter | <i>Etheostoma rubrum</i> | 60 |
| | Lahontan cutthroat | <i>Oncorhynchus clarki henshawi</i> | 69.3 |
| | Guppy | <i>Poecilia reticulata</i> | 69.8 |
| | Apache trout | <i>Oncorhynchus</i> | 70 |
| | Brook trout | <i>Salvelinus fontenalis</i> | 100 |
| | Bull trout | <i>Salvelinus confluent</i> | 106.9 |
| | Cutthroat trout | <i>Oncorhynchus clarki</i> | 108.3 |
| | Fathead minnow | <i>Pimephales promelas <24 h</i> | 120.8 |
| | Pink salmon | <i>Oncorhynchus gorbu</i> | 135.3 |
| | Fathead minnow | <i>Pimephales promelas</i> | 138.7 |
| | Chiselmouth | <i>Acrocheilus</i> | 143 |
| | Shovelnose sturgeon | <i>Scaphirhynchus</i> | 160 |
| | Gila topminnow | <i>Poeciliposis</i> | 160 |
| | Sockeye salmon | <i>Oncorhynchus nerka</i> | 163.0 |
| | Bonytail chub | <i>Gila elegans</i> | 200 |
| | Greenthroat darter | <i>Etheostoma</i> | 260 |
| | Razorback sucker | <i>Xyrauchen texanus</i> | 273.5 |
| | Fantail darter | <i>Etheostoma flabellar</i> | 358.2 |
| | Northern squawfish | <i>Ptychocheilus orego</i> | 427.1 |
| | Johnny darter | <i>Etheostoma nigrum</i> | 529.4 |
| | Golden orfe | <i>Leuciscus idus</i> | 565.7 |
| | Bluegill | <i>Lepomis macrochirus</i> | 1112 |
| Insect | Midge | <i>Chironomus</i> | 739 |
| | Stonefly | <i>Acroneuria lycorias</i> | 8300 |
| Macrophyte | Macrophyte | <i>Lemna minor</i> | 665.7 |
| | Macrophyte | <i>Elodea nuttalli</i> | 6000 |
| | Macrophyte | <i>Callitriche platycarpa</i> | 6000 |
| Mollusca | Snail | <i>Lithoglyphus virens</i> | 8 |
| | Snail | <i>Juga plicifera</i> | 12.8 |
| | Mussel | <i>Actinonaias</i> | 27.0 |
| | Snail | <i>Physa integra</i> | 38.9 |
| | Mussel | <i>Utterbackia imbecilli</i> | 74.8 |
| | Snail | <i>Campeloma</i> | 1673.3 |
| Plathelminthes | Planaria | <i>Dugesia tigrina</i> | 2450 |
| Rotatoria | Rotifer | <i>Brachionus calyciflorus</i> | 26 |

Table 1.2: Updated summary of the “species mean” NOECs (total risk approach) in $\mu\text{g Cu.L}^{-1}$ (with geometric means and number of datapoints) as used for the SSD modelling. Information in brackets refer to the data of ECI (2008) [Quelle: Wenzel (2014)]

| Organism group | Species | Species mean NOEC, ($\mu\text{g Cu.L}^{-1}$) |
|--|--|--|
| Algae | new data <i>Scenedesmus acutus</i> ; n=2; growth, from UBA PSM Database | 2.75 |
| | <i>Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata</i> , n=12; growth; plus 3 recent values total n=15 | 25.7 |
| | <i>Chlamydomonas reinhardtii</i> , n=4; growth | 79.8 |
| | <i>Chlorella vulgaris</i> , n=19; growth; plus 2 recent values: n=21 | 92.3 |
| Macrophyte | <i>Lemna minor</i> , n=1; growth | 30.0 |
| Rotifer | <i>Brachionus calyciflorus</i> ; n=4; intrinsic rate of growth | 33.5 |
| Mollusca | <i>Campeloma decisum</i> , n=2; mortality; | 8.0 |
| | <i>Juga plicifera</i> , n=1; mortality; | 6.0 |
| | <i>Villosa iris</i> , n=1; mortality; | 19.1 |
| | <i>Dreissenia polymorpha</i> , n=2; filtration rate | 18.3 |
| Cladocera | <i>Ceriodaphnia dubia</i> , n=14; reproduction; * original data of ECI 2008 were recalculated | 15.0 |
| | <i>Daphnia pulex</i> , n=9; mortality | 14.5 |
| | <i>Daphnia magna</i> , n=11; growth, reproduction, mortality ; * original data of ECI 2008 were used plus two recent NOECs | 46.5 |
| Amphipoda | <i>Gammarus pulex</i> , n=1; reproduction; | 11.0 |
| | <i>Hyalella azteca</i> , n=6; mortality | 50.3 |
| Insects | <i>Clistoronia magnifica</i> , n=2; reproduction/mortality; | 10.4 |
| | <i>Chironomus riparius</i> , n=1; growth; | 16.9 |
| | <i>Paratanytarsus parthenogeneticus</i> , n=2; growth/reproduction | 40.0 |
| Fish | <i>Catostomus commersoni</i> ; n=1; growth/mortality; | 12.9 |
| | <i>Ictalurus punctatus</i> , n=2; growth/mortality; | 13.0 |
| | <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i> , n=5; growth; * original data of ECI 2008 were recalculated | 12.2 |
| | <i>Salvelinus fontinalis</i> , n=5; growth; | 15.6 |
| | <i>Pimephales promelas</i> , n=4; growth; | 19.7 |
| | <i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i> , n=3; mortality; * original data of ECI 2008 were recalculated | 22.3 |
| | <i>Esox lucius</i> ; n=1; growth/mortality; | 34.9 |
| | <i>Perca fluviatilis</i> , n=1; growth; | 39.0 |
| | <i>Pimephales notatus</i> , n=2; growth; | 56.2 |
| <i>Noemacheilus barbatulus</i> , n=1; mortality; | 120 | |
| Amphibians | <i>Xenopus laevis</i> n=1, growth | 40.0 |
| | <i>Rana pipiens</i> n=1, growth | 71.0 |

Annexe 2: Data on the chronic toxicity to freshwater organisms used for setting the EQS

Data on chronic toxicity tests resulting in NOEC values for freshwater algae, invertebrates and fish are summarised here below

A total of 139 individual chronic toxicity data and 27 geometric means per species chronic toxicity entries with the highest quality could be extracted from the scientific literature and databases. It appears that 36.7% of all gathered chronic toxicity data were derived from toxicity tests performed with freshwater fish, 38.8% with invertebrates and 24.5% with algae/higher plants.

Below, somewhat more detailed data are given on the selected NOEC values for freshwater algae, invertebrates and fish. Individual NOEC values seemed to range between 2.2 and 510 µg Cu/l for the total risk approach, see table below. Consistent with OECD guidelines, the average of the copper exposure concentrations and the characteristics of the test media (pH, DOC, major ions) as measured at the start and end of the test period or media renewal period were used for the assessment. For the algae, consistent with international agreements, the endpoint growth rate was used instead of the endpoint biomass. Background concentrations in the culture media and DOC concentrations, if not reported, were estimated based on available literature data – more details below.

Table 2.1: Overview of the NOEC values and physico-chemical parameters for freshwater algae/higher plants. Selected high quality Q1 NOEC values are underlined selected for the effects assessment and bioavailability normalisation. Legend see table 2.3.

| Organism | Age /size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---|---------------|------------------------------------|
| Chlamydomonas reinhardtii | Inoculum: 1,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 10 d | growth | 22 | / | FT | 0.5* | T: 24°C; pH: 6.6; H: 25 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.5 mg/l ⁽¹⁾ | Reconstituted | Schäfer et al., 1994 (1) |
| Chlamydomonas reinhardtii | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 178 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 6.02; H: 23 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 9.84 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampheelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlamydomonas reinhardtii | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 108 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.03; H: 23 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 9.84 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampheelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlamydomonas reinhardtii | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 96 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.11; H: 23 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 9.84 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampheelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 108.3 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 6.03; H: 97 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 5.17 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampheelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 407.4 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 6.04; H: 99 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 15.5 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampheelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 55.6 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.92; H: 388 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 5.0 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampheelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 36.4 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.04; H: 242 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.5 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampheelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 172.9 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.97; H: 389 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 15.8 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampheelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 98.9 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.03; H: 244 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 10.8 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampheelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 85.4 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.01; H: 486 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 10.0 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampheelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 161.9 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.75; H: 243 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 9.9 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampheelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 282.9 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.05; H: 244 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 19.10 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampheelaere et al., 2006 (2) |

| Organism | Age /size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---------------|----------|--------------|--|---------------|----------------------------------|
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 187.8 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 6.01; H: 389 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 5.0 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 510.2 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 6.05; H: 390 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 15.2 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 31.0 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.88; H: 98 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 5.3 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 188.0 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.88; H: 99 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 15.7 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 404.1 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 5.5; H: 244 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 10.3 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 158.7 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.07; H: 25 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 10.3 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 83.9 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.03; H: 244 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 10.8 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella vulgaris | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 132.3 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.04; H: 246 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 10.2 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampelaere et al., 2006 (2) |
| Chlorella sp. (PNG isolate) | | CuSO ₄ (analytical grade) | 3 d | growth | 2.3 | | S | | | artificial | Levy et al. 2009 |
| Chlorella sp. (NT isolate) (pH 5.7) | | CuSO ₄ (analytical grade) | 3 d | growth | 4 | | S | | | artificial | Levy et al. 2009 |
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 52.9 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 6.74; H: 10.0 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.72 mg/l | Lake | Heijerick et al., 2002 (3) |
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 61.8 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.0; H: 12.4 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.34 mg/l | Lake | Heijerick et al., 2002 (3) |
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 94.7 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 6.14; H: 7.9 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 12 mg/l | Lake | Heijerick et al., 2002 (3) |
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 17.9 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.66; H: 48.7 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.52 mg/l | Lake | Heijerick et al., 2002 (3) |

| Organism | Age / size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|----------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 49 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.0; H: 220 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 6.42 mg/l | Lake | Heijerick et al., 2002 (3) |
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 35.4 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.84; H: 238 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 8.24 mg/l | Lake | Heijerick et al., 2002 (3) |
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 23.1 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.93; H: 191 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.99 mg/l | River | Heijerick et al., 2002 (3) |
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 19.3 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.93; H: 191 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.99 mg/l | River | Heijerick et al., 2002 (3) |
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 56.4 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.69; H: 132 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 6.13 mg/l | River | Heijerick et al., 2002 (3) |
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 164 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.84; H: 166 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 17.8 mg/l | Lake | Heijerick et al., 2002 (3) |
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 65.5 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.35; H: 134 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 20.4 mg/l | Lake | Heijerick et al., 2002 (3) |
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 15.7 | yes | S | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.16; H: 169 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.7 mg/l | Lake | Heijerick et al., 2002 (3) |
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | | CuSO ₄ (analytical grade) | 3 d | growth | 0.3 | | S | | De waarde is niet betrouwbaar. De analytisch bepaalde concentraties wijken sterk af van de nominale waarden. Er zijn gegevens onder de aangegeven aantoonbaarheidsgrens gebruikt. Daarom wordt de waarde niet gebruikt voor de MKN-afleiding. | artificial | Levy et al. 2009 |
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | Inoculum: 10,000 c/ml | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 3 d | growth | 14 | yes | S | | | OECD 201 medium | Aruoja et al. 2009 |

| Organism | Age /size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|----------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|--|------------|---|
| Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata | | Cu 2+ | 3 d | growth | 8.4 | | S | | | | Kusel-Fetzmann Fetzmann and Latif, 1989 |
| Scenedesmus acutus | | No information | 3 d | growth | 2.3 | | S | | | artificial | Kusel-Fetzmann Fetzmann and Latif, 1989 |
| Scenedesmus acutus | | No Information | 3 d | growth | 3.3 | | S | | | artificial | Kusel-Fetzmann Fetzmann and Latif, 1989 |
| Lemna minor | Double fronded colonies | CuSO ₄ (analytical grade) | 7 d | growth | 30 | / | S | 0.5* | T: 25°C; pH: 6.5; H : 26.8 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.5 mg/l ⁽¹⁾ | artificial | Teisseire et al., 1998 (4) |

1. Schäfer *et al.*, 1994

Comments: Background Cu concentrations in control water (artificial water) are not reported,

- Mean alkalinity and hardness of culture media (OECD medium) for *S. subspicatus* is 1.22 10⁻⁴ M/l CaCl₂, 6.1 10⁻⁵ M/l MgSO₄, 5.9 10⁻⁵ M/l MgCl₂ (total hardness of 25 mg/l CaCO₃); pH 8,
- Mean alkalinity and hardness of culture media (SAG medium) for *C. reinhardtii* (static test) is 18 mg/l CaCl₂, 29.5 mg/l MgSO₄, (total hardness of 25 mg/l CaCO₃); pH 8,
- Mean hardness of culture media for *C. reinhardtii* (flow through test) is 18 mg/l CaCl₂ 29.5 mg/l MgSO₄ (total hardness of 25 mg/l CaCO₃); pH is 6.2,
- DOC concentration was estimated as 0.5 mg/l for reconstituted waters,
- Statistics are reported,
- Cu concentrations tested are not reported,
- Dose responses are not reported,
- Reported NOEC data for *C. reinhardtii* are 5 (static), **22** (flow-through) µg/l Cu (growth - biomass) and 636 µg/l Cu (photosynthesis).
- Reported NOEC data for *S. subspicatus* are 56 (static) µg/l (growth) and 41 µg/l Cu (photosynthesis)
- Only the data from the flow-through experiment were retained. The rejected data : nominal concentrations reported in static exposure system.

2. De Schamphelaere *et al.*, 2006

Comments:

- All tests were performed according to the OECD guidelines (N°201 for *Chlorella vulgaris* and *Chlamydomonas*),
- Background Cu concentrations in control water (reconstituted) are not reported,
- Mean hardness of testmedia was 23 mg/l CaCO₃ for the test with *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii* and varied between 25 and 486 mg/l CaCO₃ for *Chlorella vulgaris*,
- Reported pH value varied between 6.0 and 8.0 for the *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii* tests and between 5.5 and 8.75 for the *Chlorella vulgaris* tests,
- DOC reported between 1.5 and 19.1 mg/l,
- Statistics are reported,
- Dose response curve are reported,
- Cu concentration tested (5 concentrations and 1 control),
- Reliable NOEC (3 days of exposure) values for *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii* are (endpoint growth - biomass): **178, 108, 96** µg/l Cu,
- Reliable NOEC (3 days of exposure) values for *C. vulgaris* are (endpoint growth) **108.3, 407.4, 55.6, 36.4, 172.9, 98.9, 85.4, 161.9, 282.9, 187.8, 510.2, 31, 188, 404.1, 158.7, 83.9 and 132.3** µg/l Cu.

3. Heijerick *et al.*, 2002

Comments:

- All tests were performed according to the OECD guidelines (N°201 for *Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata*),
- Background Cu concentrations in control water (reconstituted) are not reported,
- Mean hardness of testmedia varied between 7.9 and 238 mg/l CaCO₃ for the algae tests,
- Natural DOC extracted from rivers and lakes (between 1.99 and 20.4 mg/l),
- Reported pH value varied between 6.14 and 8.16 for the algae tests,
- Statistics are reported,
- Dose response curve are reported,
- Cu concentration tested (5 concentrations and 1 control),
- Reliable NOEC (3 days of exposure) values for *P. subcapitata* are (endpoint growth - biomass): **52.9, 61.8, 94.7, 17.9, 49, 35.4, 23.1, 19.3, 56.4, 164, 65.5 and 15.7** µg/l Cu.

4. Teisseire *et al.*, 1998

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations in control water (artificial growth medium) are not reported,
- Mean hardness of testmedia is 26.8 mg/l CaCO₃,
- DOC concentration was assumed to be 0.5 mg/l,
- Reported pH value is 6.5,
- Statistics are reported,
- Dose response curve are reported,
- Cu concentration tested (5 concentrations and 1 control),
Reliable NOEC (7 days of exposure) value for *Lemna minor* is (endpoint growth): **30** µg/l Cu.

Table 2.2: Overview of the NOEC values and physico-chemical parameters for freshwater invertebrates. Selected NOEC high quality Q1 values are underlined selected for the effects assessment and bioavailability normalisation. Legend see table 2.3.

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC ($\mu\text{g/l}$) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb ($\mu\text{g Cu/l}$) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------------|---------------|----------|---------------------------|---|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (< 24 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 7 d | reproduction | <u>10</u> | / | R | 0.5* | T: 23°C; pH: 7.6; H: 85 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.5 mg/l ⁽¹⁾ | Reconstituted | Cerda & Olive, 1993 (5) |
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (< 24 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 7 d | mortality | <u>20</u> | / | R | 0.5* | T: 23°C; pH: 7.6; H: 85 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.5 mg/l ⁽¹⁾ | Reconstituted | Cerda & Olive, 1993 (5) |
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (< 24 h) | Not reported (AA standard) | 7 d | reproduction | <u>10</u> | yes | S | 1.5* | T: 25°C; pH: 9.0; H: 98 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.9 mg/l ⁽²⁾ | River (New River) | Belanger & Cherry, 1990 (6) |
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (< 24 h) | Not reported (AA standard) | 7 d | reproduction | <u>20</u> | yes | S | 1.5* | T: 25°C; pH: 8.0; H: 114 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2 mg/l ⁽³⁾ | River (Amy Bayou) | Belanger & Cherry, 1990 (6) |
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (< 24 h) | Not reported (AA standard) | 7 d | reproduction | <u>20</u> | yes | S | 1.5* | T: 25°C; pH: 9.0; H: 114 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2 mg/l ⁽³⁾ | River (Amy Bayou) | Belanger & Cherry, 1990 (6) |

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---|---------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (< 24 h) | Not reported (AA standard) | 7 d | reproduction | 20 | yes | S | 1.5* | T: 25°C; pH: 6.0; H: 182 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 3 mg/l ⁽⁴⁾ | River (Clinch River) | Belanger & Cherry, 1990 (6) |
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (< 8 h) | Not reported (not reported) | 7 d | mortality | 19 | / | S | / | T: 25°C; pH: 7.0; H: 22 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2 mg/l ⁽³⁾ | River | Jop et al., 1995 (7) |
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (< 8 h) | Not reported (not reported) | 7 d | mortality | 4 | / | S | / | T: 25°C; pH: 6.95; H: 20 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.5 mg/l ⁽¹⁾ | Reconstituted | Jop et al., 1995 (7) |
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (< 24 h) | Cu(NO ₃) ₂ (reagent grade) | 7 d | mortality | 122 | yes | R | 3.4 | T: 25°C; pH: 8.25; H: 100 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 5.7 mg/l ⁽⁵⁾ | River (Lester River) | Spehar & Fiantdt, 1985 (8) |
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (2-8 h) | Not reported (AA standard) | 7 d | reproduction | 6.3 | yes | S | 1.5 | T: 25°C; pH: 8.15; H: 94 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.9 mg/l ⁽²⁾ | River (New River) | Belanger et al., 1989 (9) |
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (2-8 h) | Not reported (AA standard) | 7 d | reproduction | 24.1 | yes | S | 4.7 | T: 25°C; pH: 8.31; H: 179 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 3 mg/l ⁽⁴⁾ | River (Clinch River) | Belanger et al., 1989 (9) |

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---|---------------|-------------------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (< 8 h) | Not reported (not reported) | 7 d | reproduction | 4 | / | S | / | T: 25°C; pH: 6.3-7.6; H: 20 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.5 mg/l ⁽¹⁾ | Reconstituted | Jop et al., 1995 (7) |
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (< 8 h) | Not reported (not reported) | 7 d | reproduction | 10 | / | S | / | T: 25°C; pH: 6.6-7.4; H: 22 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2 mg/l ⁽³⁾ | River | Jop et al., 1995 (7) |
| Ceriodaphnia dubia | neonates (< 24 h) | Cu(NO ₃) ₂ (reagent grade) | 7 d | reproduction | 31.6 | yes | S | 3.4 | T: 25°C; pH: 8.25; H: 100 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 5.7 mg/l ⁽⁵⁾ | River (Lester River) | Spehar & Fiantdt, 1985 (8) |
| Daphnia magna | neonates | CuCl ₂ (purity >99%) | 21 d | growth | 12.6 | yes | R | 2.6 | T: 20°C; pH: 8.1; H: 225 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2 mg/l ⁽³⁾ | Lake (Lake Ijssel) | Van Leeuwen et al., 1988 (10) |
| Daphnia magna | neonates | CuCl ₂ (purity >99%) | 21 d | mortality | 36.8 | yes | R | 2.6 | T: 20°C; pH: 8.1; H: 225 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2 mg/l ⁽³⁾ | Lake (Lake Ijssel) | Van Leeuwen et al., 1988 (10) |
| Daphnia magna | neonates | CuCl ₂ (purity >99%) | 21 d | population growth | 36.8 | / | FT | 2.6 | T: 20°C; pH: 8.1; H: 225 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2 mg/l ⁽³⁾ | Lake (Lake Ijssel) | Van Leeuwen et al., 1988 (10) |

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---|--------|-----------------------------|
| Daphnia magna | neonates | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 21 d | reproduction | 28 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 6.31; H: 10 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.72 mg/l | Lake | Heijerick et al., 2002 (11) |
| Daphnia magna | neonates | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 21 d | reproduction | 21.5 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 6.1; H: 12.4 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.34 mg/l | Lake | Heijerick et al., 2002 (11) |
| Daphnia magna | neonates | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 21 d | reproduction | 71.4 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.3; H: 238 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 8.24 mg/l | Lake | Heijerick et al., 2002 (11) |
| Daphnia magna | neonates | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 21 d | reproduction | 68.8 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.06; H: 191 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.99 mg/l | River | Heijerick et al., 2002 (11) |
| Daphnia magna | neonates | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 21 d | reproduction | 106 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.55; H: 132 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 6.13 mg/l | River | Heijerick et al., 2002 (11) |
| Daphnia magna | neonates | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 21 d | reproduction | 181 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 7.5; H: 134 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 20.4 mg/l | Lake | Heijerick et al., 2002 (11) |

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Daphnia magna | neonates | CuCl ₂ (reagent grade) | 21 d | reproduction | 75 | yes | R | | T: 20°C; pH: 7.6; H: 200 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 4 mg/l | Reconstituted + DOC | Muyssen and Janssen, 2007 |
| Daphnia magna | neonates | Cu-oxychloride | 21 d | reproduction | 30 | yes | R | | | Reconstituted | UBA PSM database (Study DRE73981) |
| Daphnia pulex | neonates (< 24 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 42 d | mortality | 4 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.6; H: 57.5 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.1 mg/l ⁽⁶⁾ | Deionized reconstituted | Winner, 1985 (12) |
| Daphnia pulex | neonates (< 24 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 42 d | mortality | 20 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.5; H: 57.5 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.475 mg/l ⁽⁶⁾ | Deionized reconstituted + DOC | Winner, 1985 (12) |
| Daphnia pulex | neonates (< 24 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 42 d | mortality | 30 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.7; H: 57.5 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.85 mg/l ⁽⁶⁾ | Deionized reconstituted + DOC | Winner, 1985 (12) |
| Daphnia pulex | neonates (< 24 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 42 d | mortality | 5 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.7; H: 115 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.1 mg/l ⁽⁶⁾ | Deionized reconstituted | Winner, 1985 (12) |
| Daphnia pulex | neonates (< 24 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 42 d | mortality | 20 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.55; H: 115 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.475 mg/l ⁽⁶⁾ | Deionized reconstituted + DOC | Winner, 1985 (12) |

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Daphnia pulex | neonates (< 24 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 42 d | mortality | 40 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.55; H:115 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.85 mg/l ⁽⁶⁾ | Deionized reconstituted + DOC | Winner, 1985 (12) |
| Daphnia pulex | neonates (< 24 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 42 d | mortality | 10 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.55; H: 230 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.175 mg/l ⁽⁶⁾ | Deionized reconstituted + DOC | Winner, 1985 (12) |
| Daphnia pulex | neonates (< 24 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 42 d | mortality | 15 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.6; H: 230 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.475 mg/l ⁽⁶⁾ | Deionized reconstituted + DOC | Winner, 1985 (12) |
| Daphnia pulex | neonates (< 24 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 42 d | mortality | 20 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 8.6; H: 230 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.85 mg/l ⁽⁶⁾ | Deionized reconstituted + DOC | Winner, 1985 (12) |
| Brachionus calyciflorus | neonates (< 2 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 2 d | reproduction | 8.2 | yes | S | 0.3 | T: 25°C; pH: 6.0; H: 100 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 4.9 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampelaere et al., 2006 (13) |
| Brachionus calyciflorus | neonates (< 2 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 2 d | reproduction | 31.2 | yes | S | 0.3 | T: 25°C; pH: 6.0; H: 100 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 14.5 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampelaere et al., 2006 (13) |

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|--|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| Brachionus calyciflorus | neonates (< 2 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 2 d | reproduction | 47.8 | yes | S | 0.3 | T: 25°C; pH: 7.8; H: 100 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 4.84 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampelaere et al., 2006 (13) |
| Brachionus calyciflorus | neonates (< 2 h) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 2 d | reproduction | 103 | yes | S | 0.3 | T: 25°C; pH: 7.8; H: 100 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 14.7 mg/l | Reconstituted | De Schampelaere et al., 2006 (13) |
| Gammarus pulex | mixed sizes (1.5-14 mm) | CuSO ₄ (not reported) | 100 d | population response | 11 | yes | FT | 2.6 | T: 11°C; pH: 8.0; H: 103 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁷⁾ | Tap | Maund et al., 1992 (14) |
| Hyalella azteca | 2 - 3 weeks old | CuSO ₄ (not reported) | 10 d | mortality | 50 | yes | S | / | T: 20°C; pH: 7.65; H: 36 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁸⁾ | Spring | Deaver & Rodgers, 1996 (15) |
| Hyalella azteca | 2 - 3 weeks old | CuSO ₄ (not reported) | 10 d | mortality | 50 | yes | S | / | T: 20°C; pH: 7.8; H: 50 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁸⁾ | Spring | Deaver & Rodgers, 1996 (15) |
| Hyalella azteca | 2 - 3 weeks old | CuSO ₄ (not reported) | 10 d | mortality | 82 | yes | S | / | T: 20°C; pH: 8.05; H: 64 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁸⁾ | Spring | Deaver & Rodgers, 1996 (15) |

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|--|---------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Hyalella azteca</i> | 2 - 3 weeks old | CuSO ₄ (not reported) | 10 d | mortality | 82 | yes | S | / | T: 20°C; pH: 7.5; H: 22 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/L ⁽⁸⁾ | Spring | Deaver & Rodgers, 1996 (15) |
| <i>Hyalella azteca</i> | 2 - 3 weeks old | CuSO ₄ (not reported) | 10 d | mortality | 30 | yes | S | / | T: 20°C; pH: 6.95; H: <10 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁸⁾ | Spring | Deaver & Rodgers, 1996 (15) |
| <i>Hyalella azteca</i> | <7 days old | Not reported (not reported) | 35 d | mortality | 32 | yes | R | 3.0 | T: 22°C; pH: 7.6; H: 128 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁷⁾ | Tap | Othman & Pascoe, 2002 (16) |
| <i>Chironomus riparius</i> | eggs (< 12 h) | CuSO ₄ (not reported) | 10 d | growth | 16.9 | yes | R | 0.5* | T: 20°C; pH: 6.8; H: 151 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.5 mg/l ⁽¹⁾ | Reconstituted | Taylor et al., 1991 (17) |
| <i>Clistronia magnifica</i> | larvae 1st generation | CuCl ₂ (reagent grade) | 240 d | Life cycle | 8.3 | yes | FT | / | T: 15°C; pH: 7.3; H: 26 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Well | Nebeker et al., 1984 (18) |
| <i>Clistronia magnifica</i> | larvae-2nd generation | CuCl ₂ (reagent grade) | 240 d | Life cycle | 13 | yes | FT | / | T: 15°C; pH: 7.3; H: 26 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Well | Nebeker et al., 1984 (18) |

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Paratanytarsus parthenogeneticus | larvae (7 days old) | CuSO ₄ (not reported) | 16 d | growth | 40 | yes | / | 0.5* | T: 23°C; pH: 6.9; H: 25 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.5 mg/l ⁽¹⁾ | Reconstituted | Hatakeyama & Yasuno, 1981 (19) |
| Paratanytarsus parthenogeneticus | larvae (7 days old) | CuSO ₄ (not reported) | 16 d | reproduction | 40 | yes | / | 0.5* | T: 23°C; pH: 6.9; H: 25 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.5 mg/l ⁽¹⁾ | Reconstituted | Hatakeyama & Yasuno, 1981 (19) |
| Dreissenia polymorpha | 18-22 mm | CuCl ₂ (not reported) | 63-77 d | Filtration rate | 13 | / | S | 3.0 | T: 15°C; pH: 7.9; H: 150 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: <7.34 mg/l ⁽¹⁰⁾ | Lake (Lake Markermeer) | Kraak et al., 1994 (20) |
| Dreissenia polymorpha | 18-22 mm | CuSO ₄ (not reported) | 27 d | Filtration rate | 21 | yes | R | / | T: 13.4°C; pH: 7.8; H: 296 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.0 mg/l ⁽⁷⁾ | Tap | Mersch et al., 1993 (21) |
| Villosa iris | glochidia | CuSO ₄ (not reported) | 30 d | mortality | 19.1 | yes | FT | 3.2 | T: 20.8°C; pH: 8.4; H: 152 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 3.0 mg/l ⁽⁴⁾ | River (Clinch River) | Jacobson et al., 1997 (22) |
| Campeloma decisum | 11 to 27 mm snail | CuSO ₄ (ACS grade) | 42 d | mortality | 8 | yes | FT | 1.9 | T: 15°C; pH: 8.15; H: 44.9 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁷⁾ | Tap | Arthur & Leonard, 1970 (23) |

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Campeloma decisum | 11 to 27 mm snail | CuSO ₄ (ACS grade) | 42 d | mortality | 8 | yes | FT | 1.9 | T: 15°C; pH: 8.15; H: 44.9 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁷⁾ | Tap | Arthur & Leonard, 1970 (23) |
| Juga plicifera | mature | CuCl ₂ (reagent grade) | 30 d | mortality | 6 | / | FT | 0.5* | T: 15°C; pH: 7.1; H: 21mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Well | Nebeker et al., 1986 (24) |

5. Cerda & Olive, 1993

Comments:

- ❑ Background Cu concentration in control water (reconstituted water) was not reported,
- ❑ Mean hardness of testmedia is 85 mg/l, mean alkalinity of testmedia is 62 mg/l and mean reported pH value is 7.6,
- ❑ DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 0.5 mg/l for reconstituted waters,
- ❑ Statistics are reported,
- ❑ 11 Cu concentration tested, between 5 and 100 µg/l Cu,
- ❑ No dose response curve was given,
- ❑ Effects of 4 different diets was tested: 1. Selenastrum, 2. Chlamydomonas, 3. YCTF+Selenastrum and 4. YCTF. Only the diet YCTF+Selenastrum fulfilled in 100% of the cases the validity criteria of >80% survival and 15 young/female.
- ❑ Reliable NOEC data for *C. dubia* is **20** µg/l (survival) and **10** µg/l (reproduction)

6. Belanger and Cherry, 1990

Comments:

- ❑ Background Cu concentrations in control water are reported (< 3 µg/l Cu),
- ❑ Information concerning the culture water (i.e. New river and Clinch river),
- ❑ Origin of the fish: US EPA Duluth laboratory stock,
- ❑ Mean alkalinity and hardness of New River is 74.2 and 97.6 mg/l CaCO₃,
- ❑ Mean alkalinity and hardness of Clinch River is 144.3 and 182.0 mg/l CaCO₃,
- ❑ Mean alkalinity and hardness of Amy Bayou is 121.9 and 113.6 mg/l CaCO₃,
- ❑ Reported pH value is 8.12, 8.29 and 8.27 for New river, Clinch river and Amy Bayou,
- ❑ DOC concentration of 3.0 mg/l was estimated from the reported TOC concentration in the Clinch and New River water (i.e. respectively 3.7/3.65 mg/l; source: USGS database), and from Santore et al. (2002) for the Amy Bayou River with unknown DOC concentration (i.e. 2.0 mg/l),
- ❑ Statistics are reported,
- ❑ 2 Cu concentration tested (10- 40 µg/l Cu) and 1 control,
- ❑ Dose response curve is reported,
- ❑ Reliable NOEC value for *C. dubia* on reproduction is **10** (New river at pH 9), **20** and **20** (Amy Bayou at pH 8 and 9) and **20** (Clinch river at pH 6) µg/l Cu.

7. Jop *et al.*, 1995**Comments:**

- ❑ Background Cu concentrations in control waters are reported: 8.4 µg/l (river water) & < 1 µg/l (reconstituted water),
- ❑ Mean hardness of testmedia is 20 mg/l (reconstituted water) and between 16 and 28 mg/l (river water) CaCO₃,
- ❑ Mean alkalinity of testmedia is 19 mg/l (reconstituted water) and 13 mg/l (river water) CaCO₃,
- ❑ Mean reported pH value is 7.0 for both dilution waters,
- ❑ DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 2.0 mg/l for natural river waters and 0.5 mg/l for reconstituted waters,
- ❑ Statistics are reported,
- ❑ 4 Cu concentration tested, 1- 64 µg/l Cu for *Ceriodaphnia dubia*,
- ❑ No dose response was given,
- ❑ Reliable reported NOEC data for *C. dubia* is **4** µg/l (Cu survival and reproduction in reconstituted water), **19** µg/l Cu (survival in river water) and **10** µg/l Cu (reproduction in river water),

8. Spehar and Fiandt, 1985 (EPA document)

Comments:

- ❑ Background Cu concentrations in control waters are reported, 3.4 µg/l for the Lester water with *C. dubia*,
- ❑ All the organisms were cultured in their respective water before they were tested,
- ❑ Reported hardness and alkalinity of Lester water, 100 and 97 mg/l CaCO₃ respectively,
- ❑ Reported pH of Lester water is 8.0-8.5,
- ❑ DOC concentration of 5.7 mg/l was estimated from the reported TOC concentration in the Lester water (i.e. 7.1 mg/l),
- ❑ Concentration series (6 concentrations between 9.9 and 237 µg/l Cu for *C. dubia*) and dose-response curve are reported,

- Dose response curve for reproduction and mortality for *C. dubia* are reported,
- Control mortality for *C. dubia* is 10%,
- Statistics are reported,
- Reliable NOEC values for *C. dubia* are **122** (mortality) and **31.6** (reproduction) µg/l Cu,

9. Belanger *et al.*, 1989**Comments:**

- Background Cu concentrations in control water are reported, 1.5-3.9 µg/l Cu for New River water/ Clinch river water (2.9-6.3 µg/l Cu),
- River water was filtered over 11 µm,
- Culture water is the New River/ Clinch river water,
- Reported hardness and alkalinity of New River are 94 and 69.6 mg/l CaCO₃ respectively,
- Reported hardness and alkalinity of Clinch River are 179 and 140 mg/l CaCO₃ respectively,
- Reported for New River and Clinch River pH is 8.15 and 8.31 respectively,
- DOC concentration of respectively 3.0/2.9 mg/l was estimated from the reported TOC concentration in the Clinch and New River water (i.e. 3.7/3.65 mg/l; source: USGS database),
- Cu concentrations reported in the food (algae : between 35.7 and 73.2 µg/g dw),
- Concentration series are reported (6 concentrations between 6.3 and 33.8 µg/l Cu ; 2 concentrations 10.5 and 21.9 µg/l Cu) for New River,
- Concentration series are reported (6 concentrations between 19.3 and 122.5 µg/l Cu ; 2 concentrations 24.1 and 52.3 µg/l Cu) for Clinch River,
- Statistics are reported,
- No control mortality,
- Dose-response curve is reported; reliable NOEC value for *C. dubia* (reproduction) for Clinch river experiments is **24.1** µg/l Cu,
- Dose-response curve is reported; reliable NOEC value *C. dubia* (reproduction) value for New river experiments is **6.3** µg/l Cu.

10. Van Leeuwen *et al.*, 1988**Comments:**

- Background Cu concentrations in control water (filtered Lake IJssel water) are reported (2.6 µg/l Cu)
- Nominal concentration never deviated more than 10% from nominal concentration,
- Mean alkalinity of testmedia is not reported,
- Hardness of testmedia is 225 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Reported pH is 8.1,
- DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore *et al.* (2002), i.e. 2.0 mg/l for natural lake waters,
- Statistics are reported,
- Dose response curve for mortality/ growth is clear,
- No dose response curve for rate of increase,
- Mortalities in control is 4%,
- 5 Cu concentration (110-3.9 µg/l Cu),
- NOEC calculation for *D. magna* on rate of increase not possible because in 110 µg/l Cu concentration all organisms died !,
- Reliable NOEC values for *D. magna* should therefore be **36.8** (mortality), **36.8** (population growth) and **12.6** µg/l Cu (growth).

11. Heijerick *et al.*, 2002**Comments:**

- All tests were performed according to the OECD guidelines (N°202 for *Daphnia magna*),
- Background Cu concentrations in control water (reconstituted) are not reported,
- Mean hardness of testmedia varied between 7.9 and 238 mg/l CaCO₃ for daphnid tests,
- Natural DOC extracted from rivers and lakes (between 1.99 and 20.4 mg/l),
- Reported pH value varied between 6.14 and 8.3 for the daphnid tests,
- Statistics are reported,
- Dose response curve are reported,
- Cu concentration tested (5 concentrations and 1 control),
- Reliable NOEC (21 days of exposure) values for *Daphnia magna* are (endpoint reproduction): **28**, **21.5**, **71.4**, **68.8**, **106**, **181** µg/l Cu.

12. Winner, 1985

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations in control water (ultrapure reconstituted water from distilled, carbon filtered, deionised water) are not reported,
- Testwater contains organics at concentrations which are below detection limit,
- Measured concentrations never deviate more than 10% from the nominal values,
- DOC added as Aldrich humic acids at 0.15, 0.75 and 1.5 mg/l to ultrapure water containing 0.1 mg/l DOC (according to Santore et al., 2002) resulting in final estimated DOC concentrations of 0.1 (no DOC addition), 0.18, 0.48 and 0.85 mg/l,
- Mean reported hardness and alkalinity of testmedia are 58-115-230 and 115 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Reported pH ranges from 8.4 to 8.7,
- Cu concentration series are reported (concentration series vary between treatments ; minimum 3 Cu concentrations tested and 1 control),
- Dose-response curve mortality is reported,
- Control survival between 80 and 100%,
- Renewal of test water every 2 to 3 days,
- Statistics are reported,
- The following reliable NOEC values for *D. pulex* on survival are derived :
 - soft water : **4, 20** and **30** µg/l,
 - medium hard water : **5, 20** and **40** µg/l,
 - hard water : **10, 15** and **20** µg/l.

13. De Schampelaere et al., 2006

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations (reconstituted water with added natural DOC from the Ankeveensche Plassen) in control water is 0.3 µg/l,
- Tests were performed in static systems,
- Reported hardness of testmedia is 100 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Tests were performed at pH values of 6 and 7.8; and at DOC concentrations of 5 and 15 mg/l,
- Individual Cu concentration series are reported (5 test concentrations between 7.5 and 270.2 µg/l depending on the experiment),
- Exposure time: different neonates (<2 h) were exposed for 48 h (= full life cycle) at 25°C,
- Dose-response curve is reported,
- Intrinsic rates of increase is reported as endpoint,
- Copper concentrations were determined using a flame-AAS or a graphite furnace AAS,
- Statistics are reported,
- Reliable NOEC values for the rotifer *B. calyciflorus* are **8.2, 31.2, 47.8** and **103** µg Cu/l depending on the pH and DOC of the test media.

14. Maund et al., 1992

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations in control water (dechlorinated tapwater that passed through a copper selective chelating resin) are reported: 2.6 µg/l,
- Measured and nominal concentration never deviated more than 10%,
- Origin organisms: river Ely in South Wales,
- Mean hardness of testmedia is 103 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Mean reported pH value is 7.9,
- DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.0 mg/l for tap waters,
- Statistics are reported,
- 4 Cu concentration tested (11.0-23.1 µg/l Cu),
- Dose response was observed,
- Reliable NOEC data for *Gammarus pulex* (mean population density) is **11.0** µg/l Cu.

15. Deaver and Rodgers, 1996

Comments:

- Control water: UMBFS spring water,
- Mean copper recovery was 91.8%,
- Background Cu concentrations in control water are not reported,
- 6 Cu concentrations tested: only shown in graph,

- Mean alkalinity and hardness of testmedia are reported 10-63 and 10-64 mg/l CaCO₃,
- pH value reported ranges from 6.9 to 8.0,
- DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.0 mg/l for spring waters,
- Statistics reported,
- Dose reponse curve for mortality are reported,
- Control mortality are < 10%,
- Reliable NOEC values for *H. azteca* are **30, 50, 50, 82** and **82** (mortality) µg/l Cu.

16. Othman and Pascoe, 2002

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations (dechlorinated tapwater) in control water is 3.0 µg/l,
- Tests were performed in static renewal systems,
- Reported hardness of testmedia is 128 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Tests were performed at a pH value of 7.6,
- Individual Cu concentration series are reported (4 test concentrations between 13.0 and 212.5 µg/l; 3 replicates),
- DOC concentration was estimated as 1.0 mg/l for tapwaters (Santore et al., 2002),
- Equilibration time of 72 h,
- Exposure time: different neonates (<7 days old) were exposed for 35 days at 22°C,
- Dose-response curve is reported,
- Mortality is reported as endpoint,
- Copper concentrations were determined using a ICP MS,
- Statistics are reported (Anova and Tukey-Kramer comparison),
- Reliable NOEC values for the rotifer *H. azteca* is **32** µg Cu/l.

17. Taylor *et al.*, 1991**Comments:**

- Background Cu concentrations in the reconstituted control waters are not reported,
- Culture water & organisms: no information,
- Mean hardness of testmedia is 151 mg/l,
- Mean reported pH value is 7.0,
- DOC concentration was estimated as 0.5 mg/l for reconstituted waters
- Statistics are reported,
- 5 Cu concentration tested, 8.8-50 µg/l Cu,
- Dose response was found,
- Reliable NOEC data for *Chironomus riparius* is **16.9** µg/l (growth).

18. Nebeker *et al.*, 1984**Comments:**

- Background Cu concentrations in control water/ culture water (Western Fish Toxicology Station in Oregon) are not reported,
- Well water is used as test water,
- Reported hardness and alkalinity of testmedia are 26 and 26 mg/l CaCO₃ respectively,
- Reported pH values is varying between 7.2 and 7.4,
- DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.3 mg/l for well waters,
- Cu concentration series are reported (10 concentrations between 4.2 and 98 µg/l Cu),
- A clear dose-response curve is reported,
- Control mortality is 20%,
- Statistics are reported,
- Reliable NOEC values for *C. magnifica* are **8.3** and **13** (life cycle) µg/l Cu.

19. Hatakeyama and Yasuno, 1981

Comments:

- Control water: reconstituted artificial soft water; salts were added in distilled water,
- Background Cu concentrations in control water are not reported,
- 9 Cu concentrations tested (2560-10 µg/l Cu),
- No information concerning the culture water ?
- Mean alkalinity is not reported and hardness of testmedia is 25 mg/l CaCO₃,

- Reported pH is 6.9,
- DOC concentration for reconstituted waters was estimated as i.e. 0.5 mg/l,
- Statistics are used but methodology is not reported,
- Endpoint of tests is wing length of emerged adults,
- Dose response curve for *P. parthenogeneticus* (reproduction/ growth - wing length) is not clear ; Reliable NOEC value at **40** (growth) and **40** µg/l Cu (reproduction), if statistics are properly applied.

20. Kraak et al., 1994

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations (Lake Markermeer in The Netherlands) in control water is 2.0 µg/l,
- Tests were performed in static renewal systems,
- Reported hardness of testmedia is 150 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Tests were performed at a pH value of 7.9,
- DOC level of Markermeer (origin of the test water) was used as a basis for the DOC estimation; the Markermeer water was however filtered extensively over a sand bed to reduce the TOC (pers. communication) and the resulting DOC value is therefore < 7.3 mg/L.
- Individual Cu concentration series are reported (8 test concentrations; 2 replicates),
- Exposure time: 1.6 to 2.0 cm mussels were exposed for 2 days at 15°C,
- Clear dose-response curve is reported,
- Filtration rate is reported as endpoint,
- Copper concentrations were determined using AAS,
- Statistics are reported (Anova and Scheffe's comparison),
- Reliable NOEC values for the mussel *Dreissenia polymorpha* is **13** µg Cu/l.

21. Mersch et al., 1994

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations (tapwater) in control water is 4.5 µg/l,
- Tests were performed in flow through systems,
- Reported hardness of testmedia is 296 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Tests were performed at a pH value of 7.8,
- DOC concentration was estimated as 1.0 mg/l for tapwaters (Santore et al., 2002),
- Individual Cu concentration series are reported (3 test concentrations),
- Exposure time: 18 to 22 mm mussels were exposed for 27 days at 14°C,
- Clear dose-response curve is reported,
- Filtration rate is reported as endpoint,
- Copper concentrations were determined using AAS,
- Statistics are reported (Paired Student t-test)),
- Reliable NOEC values for the mussel *Dreissenia polymorpha* is **21** µg Cu/l.

22. Jacobson et al., 1997

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations in control water (Clinch river water) are reported (3.2 µg/l Cu),
- Mean alkalinity and hardness of testmedia is 132 and 152 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Reported pH value is 8.39,
- DOC concentration of respectively 3.0 mg/l was estimated from the reported TOC concentration in the Clinch River water (i.e. 3.7 mg/l; source: USGS database),
- Statistics are reported,
- Control survival is 97%,
- 2 Cu concentration tested (10.6 and 19.1 µg/l Cu),
- No dose response was observed,
- Reliable NOEC for survival for *Villosa iris* was **19.1**µg/l Cu.

23. Arthur and Leonard, 1970

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations in control water (= tapwater originated from Lake Superior) are reported 1.9-2 µg/l,
- Acclimation time to the testwater between 10 days and 5 weeks,
- Origin of the organisms: St Croix and eau Claire rivers in the vicinity of Gordon,
- Reported hardness and alkalinity of testmedia are 35-55 and 42.7 mg/l CaCO₃ respectively,

- Reported pH value ranges between 7.1 and 8.15,
- DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.0 mg/l for tapwaters,
- Cu concentration series are reported (5 concentrations between 28 and 2.9 µg/l Cu and 1 control of 1.9-2 µg/l Cu),
- Dose-response curve for mortality for both species is reported, but no statistics are reported (no significance testing). By own statistical analysis ($p < 0.05$) the following NOEC data could be calculated: NOEC for *G. pseudolimnaeus* (mortality): 6.2, 8 and 8 µg/l; NOEC for *P. integra* (mortality): 8 and 14.8 µg/l; NOEC for *C. decisum* (mortality): 8 and 8 µg/l,
- Control mortality for *G. pseudolimnaeus* between 30 and 45%,
- Control mortality for *C. decisum* between 5 and 15%,
- Control mortality for *P. integra* between 40 and 55%.
- Rjected mortality data for *G. pseudolimnaeus* and *P. integra*: high control mortalities (>20%), i.e. between 30 and 75%.

24. Nebeker *et al.*, 1986

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations in control water/ culture water (origin: coastal stream Oregon) are not reported,
- Well water is used as test water,
- Reported hardness and alkalinity of testmedia are 21 and 28 mg/l CaCO₃ respectively,
- Reported pH values is 7.1,
- DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.3 mg/l for well waters,
- Individual Cu concentration series are not reported (between 5 and 10; dilution rate of 0.7),
- Dose-response curve is not reported,
- Control mortality is not reported,
- Statistics are reported,
- Reliable NOEC values for *Juga plicifera* is 6 (mortality) µg/l Cu.

Table 2.3: Summary of the NOEC values and physico-chemical parameters for freshwater fish. Selected high quality Q1 NOEC values are underlined selected for the effects assessment and bioavailability normalisation

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Ictalurus punctatus | fry | CuSO ₄ (analytical grade) | 60 d | growth | 13 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 22°C; pH: 7.65; H: 186.3 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Well | Sauter et al., 1976 (25) |
| Ictalurus punctatus | fry | CuSO ₄ (analytical grade) | 60 d | mortality | 13 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 22°C; pH: 7.65; H: 186.3 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Well | Sauter et al., 1976 (25) |
| Noemacheilus barbatulus | adult (8.7 - 12.1 cm) | CuSO ₄ (not reported) | 64 d | mortality | 120 | yes | FT | 2 | T 11.9°C; pH: 8.26; H: 249 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Well | Solbe & Cooper, 1976 (26) |
| Oncorhynchus kisutch | parr | Not reported (not reported) | 61 d | growth | 22 | / | FT | / | T: 9.5 °C; pH: 7.15; H: 24.4 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.9 mg/l ⁽¹¹⁾ | River (Chehalis River) | Mudge et al., 1993 (27) |
| Oncorhynchus kisutch | fry | Not reported (not reported) | 60 d | growth | 21 | / | FT | / | T: 16.7 °C; pH: 7.4; H: 31.8 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.9 mg/l ⁽¹¹⁾ | River (Chehalis River) | Mudge et al., 1993 (27) |
| Oncorhynchus kisutch | parr | Not reported (not reported) | 61 d | growth | 28 | / | FT | / | T: 8.7 °C; pH: 7.0; H: 28.7 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.9 mg/l ⁽¹¹⁾ | River (Chehalis River) | Mudge et al., 1993 (27) |
| Oncorhynchus kisutch | parr | Not reported (not reported) | 61 d | mortality | 24 | / | FT | / | T: 9.5 °C; pH: 7.15; H: 24.4 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.9 mg/l ⁽¹¹⁾ | River (Chehalis River) | Mudge et al., 1993 (27) |
| Oncorhynchus kisutch | fry | Not reported (not reported) | 60 d | mortality | 18 | / | FT | / | T: 16.7 °C; pH: 7.4; H: 31.8 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.9 mg/l ⁽¹¹⁾ | River (Chehalis River) | Mudge et al., 1993 (27) |

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Oncorhynchus mykiss | fry (0.12 g; 2.6 cm) | CuCl ₂ (reagent grade) | 60 d | growth | 2.2 | yes | FT | 0.45* | T: 9.8 °C; pH: 7.5; H: 24.6 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.2 mg/l ⁽¹²⁾ | Well + deionised water | Marr et al., 1996 (28) |
| Oncorhynchus mykiss | parr | Not reported (not reported) | 61 d | growth | 45 | yes | FT | / | T: 9.5 °C; pH: 7.2; H: 24.4 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.9 mg/l ⁽¹¹⁾ | River (Chehalis River) | Mudge et al., 1993 (27) |
| Oncorhynchus mykiss | eggs | CuCl ₂ (not reported) | 63 d | growth | 16 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 12 °C; pH: 7.65; H: 120 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Well | Seim et al., 1984 (29) |
| Oncorhynchus mykiss | parr | Not reported (not reported) | 61 d | mortality | 24 | / | FT | / | T: 9.5 °C; pH: 7.15; H: 24.4 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.9 mg/l ⁽¹¹⁾ | River (Chehalis River) | Mudge et al., 1993 (27) |
| Oncorhynchus mykiss | parr | Not reported (not reported) | 61 d | mortality | 28 | / | FT | / | T: 8.7 °C; pH: 7.0; H: 28.7 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2.9 mg/l ⁽¹¹⁾ | River (Chehalis River) | Mudge et al., 1993 (27) |
| Oncorhynchus mykiss | embryo | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 45 d | Growth | 11.4 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 10.8 °C; pH: 7.6; H: 45 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.0 mg/l ⁽¹³⁾ | Lake (Lake Superior) | McKim et al., 1978 (30) |
| Oncorhynchus mykiss | embryo | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 45 d | mortality | 11.4 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 10.8 °C; pH: 7.6; H: 45 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.0 mg/l ⁽¹³⁾ | Lake (Lake Superior) | McKim et al., 1978 (30) |
| Catostomus commersoni | embryo | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 40 d | Growth | 12.9 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 14.9 °C; pH: 7.6; H: 45 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.0 mg/l ⁽¹³⁾ | Lake (Lake Superior) | McKim et al., 1978 (30) |
| Catostomus commersoni | embryo | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 40 d | mortality | 12.9 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 14.9 °C; pH: 7.6; H: 45 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.0 mg/l ⁽¹³⁾ | Lake (Lake Superior) | McKim et al., 1978 (30) |
| Esox lucius | embryo | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 35 d | Growth | 34.9 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 15.6 °C; pH: 7.6; H: 45 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.0 mg/l ⁽¹³⁾ | Lake (Lake Superior) | McKim et al., 1978 (30) |
| Esox lucius | embryo | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 35 d | mortality | 34.9 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 15.6 °C; pH: 7.6; H: 45 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.0 mg/l ⁽¹³⁾ | Lake (Lake Superior) | McKim et al., 1978 (30) |

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Perca fluviatilis | juvenile (3.8 - 4.3 g) | CuSO ₄ (pro analysis) | 30 d | growth | 39 | yes | FT | 1 | T: 17.5 °C; pH: 7.8; H: 194 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁷⁾ | Tap | Collvin, 1985 (31) |
| Perca fluviatilis | juvenile (3.8 g) | CuSO ₄ (pro analysis) | 30 d | mortality | 188 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 15.1 °C; pH: 7.8; H: 178 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1mg/l ⁽⁷⁾ | Tap | Collvin, 1984 (32) |
| Pimephales notatus | fry (15 - 16 mm) -second generation | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 30 d | growth | 44 | yes | FT | 4.3 | T: 25 °C; pH: 8.1; H: 201 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.55 mg/l ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Spring + demineralised tap | Horning & Neiheisel, 1979 (33) |
| Pimephales notatus | fry (15 - 16 mm) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 60 d | growth | 71.8 | yes | FT | 4.3 | T: 25 °C; pH: 8.1; H: 201 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.55 mg/l ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Spring + demineralised tap | Horning & Neiheisel, 1979 (33) |
| Pimephales notatus | fry (15 - 16 mm) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 60 d | mortality | 71.8 | yes | FT | 4.3 | T: 25 °C; pH: 8.1; H: 201 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.55 mg/l ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Spring + demineralised tap | Horning & Neiheisel, 1979 (33) |
| Pimephales promelas | fry (10 - 15 mm) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 330 d | growth | 33 | yes | FT | 3.5 | T: 21°C; pH: 8.0; H: 198 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.55 mg/l ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Spring+ deionised tap | Mount, 1968 (34) |
| Pimephales promelas | fry (10 - 20 mm) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 327 d | growth | 10.6 | yes | FT | 4.4 | T: 22°C; pH: 6.9; H: 31.4 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.55 mg/l ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Spring+ deionised tap | Mount & Stephan, 1969 (35) |
| Pimephales promelas | larvae (4 weeks old) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 187 d | growth | 59.5 | yes | FT | 4.2 | T: 23°C; pH: 7.85; H: 202 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.55 mg/l ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Spring+ demineralised tap | Pickering et al., 1977 (36) |
| Pimephales promelas | embryo-larval | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 32 d | growth | 4.8 | yes | FT | 1.25* | T: 25°C; pH: 7.05; H: 44 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽¹³⁾ | Lake (Lake Superior) | Spehar & Fiandt, 1985 (37) |
| Pimephales promelas | fry (10 - 15 mm) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 330 d | mortality | 33 | yes | FT | 3.5 | T: 21°C; pH: 8.0; H: 198 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.55 mg/l ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Spring+ deionised tap | Mount, 1968 (34) |

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
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| Pimephales promelas | fry (10 - 20 mm) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 327 d | mortality | 10.6 | yes | FT | 4.4 | T: 22°C; pH: 6.9; H: 31.4 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.55 mg/l ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Spring+ deionised tap | Mount & Stephan, 1969 (35) |
| Pimephales promelas | larvae | CuSO ₄ (not reported) | 28 d | mortality | 61 | yes | FT | 0.6 | T: 21°C; pH: 8.17; H: 202 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Ground water | Scudder et al., 1988 (38) |
| Pimephales promelas | embryo-larval | Cu(NO ₃) ₂ (reagent grade) | 32 d | mortality | 4.8 | yes | FT | 1.25* | T: 25°C; pH: 7.05; H: 44 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽¹³⁾ | Lake (Lake Superior) | Spehar & Fiandt, 1985 (37) |
| Pimephales promelas | juvenile (32 - 38 mm; 5 months old) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 270 d | reproduction | 66 | yes | FT | 7 | T: 23°C; pH: 8.1; H: 274 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 2 mg/l ⁽³⁾ | River | Brungs et al., 1976 (39) |
| Pimephales promelas | fry (10 - 15 mm) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 330 d | reproduction | 14.5 | yes | FT | 3.5 | T: 21°C; pH: 8.0; H: 198 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.55 mg/l ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Spring+ deionised tap | Mount, 1968 (34) |
| Pimephales promelas | fry (10 - 20 mm) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 327 d | reproduction | 10.6 | yes | FT | 4.4 | T: 22°C; pH: 6.9; H: 31.4 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.55 mg/l ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Spring+ deionised tap | Mount & Stephan, 1969 (35) |
| Pimephales promelas | larvae (4 weeks old) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 187 d | reproduction | 25.5 | yes | FT | 4.2 | T: 23°C; pH: 7.9; H: 202 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.55 mg/l ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Spring+ deionised tap | Pickering et al., 1977 (36) |
| Pimephales promelas | larvae (4 weeks old) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 97 d | reproduction | 23 | yes | FT | 4.2 | T: 23°C; pH: 7.9; H: 202 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.55 mg/l ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Spring+ deionised tap | Pickering et al., 1977 (36) |
| Pimephales promelas | larvae (4 weeks old) | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 7 d | reproduction | 22.5 | yes | FT | 4.2 | T: 23°C; pH: 7.9; H: 202 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 0.55 mg/l ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Spring+ deionised tap | Pickering et al., 1977 (36) |
| Salvelinus fontinalis | embryo | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 60 d | Growth | 22.3 | yes | FT | / | T: 5.6 °C; pH: 7.6; H: 45 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.0 mg/l ⁽¹³⁾ | Lake (Lake Superior) | McKim et al., 1978 (30) |

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Salvelinus fontinalis | embryo | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 60 d | mortality | 22.3 | yes | FT | / | T: 5.6 °C; pH: 7.6; H: 45 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.0 mg/l ⁽¹³⁾ | Lake (Lake Superior) | McKim et al., 1978 (30) |
| Salvelinus fontinalis | Alevins/juveniles | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 189 d | Growth | 9.5 | yes | FT | / | T: 10.6 °C; pH: 7.5; H: 45 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁷⁾ | Tap | McKim & Benoit, 1971 (40) |
| Salvelinus fontinalis | Alevins/juveniles | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 189 d | mortality | 9.5 | yes | FT | / | T: 10.6 °C; pH: 7.5; H: 45 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁷⁾ | Tap | McKim & Benoit, 1971 (40) |
| Salvelinus fontinalis | yearling | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 244 d | growth | 17.4 | yes | FT | / | T: 10.6 °C; pH: 7.5; H: 45 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁷⁾ | Tap | McKim & Benoit, 1971 (40) |
| Salvelinus fontinalis | fry | CuSO ₄ (analytical grade) | 30 d | Growth | 7 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 10 °C; pH: 6.85; H: 37.5 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Well | Sauter et al., 1976 (25) |
| Salvelinus fontinalis | fry | CuSO ₄ (analytical grade) | 30 d | growth | 21 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 10 °C; pH:6.9; H: 187 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Well | Sauter et al., 1976 (25) |
| Salvelinus fontinalis | yearling | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 244 d | mortality | 17.4 | yes | S | 1.9 | T: 10.6 °C; pH: 7.45; H: 45 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁷⁾ | Tap | McKim & Benoit, 1971 (40) |
| Salvelinus fontinalis | fry | CuSO ₄ (analytical grade) | 60 d | mortality | 13 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 10 °C; pH: 6.85; H: 37.5 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Well | Sauter et al., 1976 (25) |
| Salvelinus fontinalis | fry | CuSO ₄ (analytical grade) | 30 d | mortality | 21 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 10 °C; pH:6.9; H: 187 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Well | Sauter et al., 1976 (25) |
| Salvelinus fontinalis | yearling | CuSO ₄ (reagent grade) | 244 d | reproduction | 17.4 | yes | FT | 1.9 | T: 10.6 °C; pH: 7.45; H: 45 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1 mg/l ⁽⁷⁾ | Tap | McKim & Benoit, 1971 (40) |

| Organism | Age/size of organisms | Test substance (& purity) | Exposure time | Endpoint | NOEC (µg/l) | Dose-response | Testtype | Cb (µg Cu/l) | Physico-chemical conditions | Medium | Reference |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---|--------|--------------------------|
| Salvelinus fontinalis | fry | CuSO ₄ (analytical grade) | 60 d | reproduction | 7 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 10 °C; pH: 6.85; H: 37.5 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Well | Sauter et al., 1976 (25) |
| Salvelinus fontinalis | fry | CuSO ₄ (analytical grade) | 30 d | reproduction | 49 | yes | FT | 3 | T: 10 °C; pH:6.9; H: 187 mg/l CaCO ₃ ; DOC: 1.3 mg/l ⁽⁹⁾ | Well | Sauter et al., 1976 (25) |

- DOC concentrations:

(1): DOC estimation of reconstituted water is 0.5 mg/l (De Schamphelaere and Janssen, 2002 (0.3 mg DOC/L); Ryan et al., 2004 (0.4-0.5 mg DOC/L); Karman et al., 2004 (<0.1 mg DOC/L); Hollis et al, 1997 (0.4-0.6 mg DOC/L).

(2): DOC estimation for New River (USA) water extracted from the United States Geological Survey records (USGS). The USGS database reports TOC concentration of 3.65 mg/l, and assuming a DOC/TOC ratio of 0.8.

(3): DOC estimation for unknown river/lake water or for which no reliable DOC concentration could be estimated is 2.0 mg/l (Santore et al., 2002)

(4): DOC estimation for Clinch River (USA) water extracted from the United States Geological Survey records (USGS). The USGS database reports TOC concentration of 3.7 mg/l, and assuming a DOC/TOC ratio of 0.8.

(5): DOC estimation for Lester River (USA) water extracted from the United States Geological Survey records (USGS). The USGS database reports TOC concentration of 7.1 mg/l, and assuming a DOC/TOC ratio of 0.8.

(6): DOC estimation for deionized water (= 0.1 mg/l according to Santore et al., 2002) with addition of artificial humic acids (no addition; 0.15 mg/l; 0.75 mg/l; 1.5 mg/l). Conversion from humic acid content to organic carbon content was performed after using a factor of 2.

(7): DOC estimation for tap water is 1.0 mg/l (Santore et al., 2002)

(8): DOC estimation for spring water is 1.0 mg/l (Santore et al., 2002)

(9): DOC estimation for well water is 1.3 mg/l (Santore et al., 2002)

(10): DOC level of Markermeer (origin of the test water) was used as a basis for the DOC estimation; the Markermeer water was however filtered extensively over a sand bed to reduce the TOC (pers. communication) and the resulting DOC value is therefore < 7.3 mg/L.

(11): DOC estimation for Chehalis River (USA) water extracted from the United States Geological Survey records (USGS). The USGS database reports TOC concentration of 3.6 mg/l, and assuming a DOC/TOC ratio of 0.8.

(12): DOC estimation for ultrapure deionized water (0.1 mg/l Santore et al., 2002) and well water (1.3 mg/l according to Santore et al., 2002) in a ratio of 90%/10% is 0.45 mg/l.

(13): DOC estimation for Lake Superior water is 1.0 mg/l (Santore et al., 2002)

(14): DOC estimation for demineralised/deionized water (0.1 mg/l Santore et al., 2002) and spring water (1.0 mg/l according to Santore et al., 2002) in a ratio of 50%/50% is 0.55 mg/l.

- test type

S: static; R: renewal; FT: flow through

25. Sauter *et al.*, 1976 (EPA document)**Comments:**

- Background Cu concentrations in control water (Bedrock well) is 3 µg/l Cu,
- No information was provided on acclimation conditions/background concentrations,
- Mean alkalinity and hardness of testmedia is 27.8-177.6 and 35-170 mg/l CaCO₃,
- pH value 6.6 to 7.8,
- DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.3 mg/l for well waters,
- Statistics are reported,
- Dose reponse curve for mortality/ growth is clear,
- Mortalities in control for *Salvelinus fontinalis* is 2-4% (soft water) and 0-42% (hard water) after 60 days of exposure (test not acceptable),
- Incubation time for *Salvelinus fontinalis* is 35 days,
- Reliable NOEC for *Salvelinus fontinalis* should be **13** (survival) for 60 days of exposure and **7** µg/l Cu (growth) for 30 days of exposure in soft water; **21** (survival) and **21** µg/l Cu (growth) after 30 days of exposure in hard waters,
- Other reliable NOEC for *Salvelinus fontinalis* are **7** µg/l Cu (reproduction) and **49** µg/l Cu (reproduction) in soft water and hard waters respectively,
- 5 Cu concentrations (95-5 µg/l Cu) for *Salvelinus fontinalis*,
- Mortalities in control for *Ictalurus punctatus* is 24-34% (soft water ; test not acceptable) and 0% (hard water) after 60 days of exposure,
- Incubation time for *Ictalurus punctatus* is 6-8 days,
- NOEC for *Ictalurus punctatus* for soft water testing could be calculated for 30/60 days of exposure, i.e. 12 and 12 µg/l but high control mortalities; NOEC of **13** (survival) and **13** µg/l Cu (growth) after 60 days of exposure in hard waters
- 5 Cu concentrations (3-66 µg/l Cu) for *Ictalurus punctatus*,
- Mortalities in control for *Stizostedion vitreum* is 82% (test not acceptable) and 46-39% (test not acceptable) after 30 days of exposure,
- NOEC for *Stizostedion vitreum* for soft and hard water testing could not be calculated for 30 days of exposure but high control mortalities,
- 5 Cu concentrations for *Stizostedion vitreum* (3-92 µg/l).
- Rejected data for *S vitreum*: high control mortality, i.e. > 39%,
- Rejected data for *I. punctatus* in soft water: high control mortality, i.e. > 24%.

26. Solbe and Cooper, 1976

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations in control water are reported (2 µg/l Cu),
- Culture water ? (origin Staffordshire stream; 15 months of acclimation),
- Mean hardness of testmedia is 249 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Reported pH value is 8.26,
- DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.3 mg/l for well waters waters,
- Statistics for NOEC calculation are reported,
- Dose response curve not reported,
- No control mortality,
- 6 Cu concentrations (120-760 µg/l Cu) and 1 control,
- Reliable NOEC data for *N. barbalutus* (survival) is **120** µg/l Cu.

27. Mudge *et al.*, 1993**Comments:**

- Background Cu concentrations in control/ culture water (organisms from hatchery followed by 2 weeks of acclimation in Chehalis river water, Washington) are not reported,
- Mean reported hardness and alkalinity of testmedia are 24-32 and 14.8-32.4 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Reported pH ranges from 6.6 to 7.9,
- DOC concentration of 2.9 mg/l was estimated from the reported TOC concentration in the Chehalis River water (i.e. 3.6 mg/l; source: USGS database),
- Cu concentration series are not reported (5 concentrations and 1 control of ? µg/l Cu),
- Dose-response curve mortality/growth is not reported (only NOEC values),
- Statistics are used,
- No control mortalities reported,

- Reliable NOEC values for *O. mykiss* are : (1) for mortality **24** and **28** µg/l Cu ; (2) for growth **45** and **>51** µg/l Cu,
- Reliable NOEC values for *O. kisuth* are : (1) for mortality **18**, **24** and **>51**µg/l Cu ; (2) for growth **21**, **22** and **28** µg/l Cu.

28. Marr et al., 1996

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations in control water (well water treated with filtration, reverse osmosis and deionization mixed with well water in a ratio of 90%/10%) are reported (<0.9 µg/l Cu),
- 14 days of acclimation in control water,
- flow-through system with 36 volumes renewal per day,
- Mean alkalinity and hardness of testmedia is 25 and 28 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Reported pH value is 7.47,
- DOC concentration of 0.2 mg/l was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.3 mg/l for well waters and 0.1 mg/l for deionised waters (taking a 90% deionised water and 10% well into account),
- Statistics are reported,
- 4 Cu concentration tested (1.1 – 9 µg/l Cu),
- Dose response curve for growth is reported,
- Cu concentration in feeding 8.7 mg/kg,
- Reliable NOEC data for *O. mykiss* (growth) is **2.2** µg/l Cu.

29. Seim et al., 1984

Comments:

- Control water (well water),
- Background Cu concentrations in control water are reported (3 µg/l),
- 6 Cu concentrations (121-6 µg/l Cu),
- Origin fish: Alsea Fish hatchery, Oregon; acclimation 6 days), ,
- Mean hardness and alkalinity is reported, 120 and 126 mg/l CaCO₃,
- pH value ranges between 7.4 and 7.9,
- DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.3 mg/l for well waters,
- Statistics are reported,
- Control survival is >90%,
- Dose reponse curve for growth is clear,
- Reliable NOEC value for *O. mykiss* is **16** (growth) µg/l Cu.

30. McKim et al., 1978

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations (Lake Superior) in control water is 3.0 µg/l,
- Tests were performed in flow-through systems,
- Reported hardness and alkalinity of testmedia is respectively 45.4 mg/l and 42.4 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Reported pH values is 7.6,
- DOC concentration was estimated as 1.0 mg/l for Lake Superior watyer (Santore et al., 2002),
- Individual Cu concentration series are reported (6 test concentrations between 4 and 1000 µg/l),
- Exposure time: different embryo stages and 30-60 days after hatching,
- Dose-response curve is reported,
- High control mortality was reported for 2 species i.e. *Corogonus artedi* and *Micropterus* sp.,
- Statistics are reported,
- Reliable NOEC values for *O. mykiss* is **11.4** (survival, growth) µg/l Cu; *S. fontanilis* **22.3** (survival, growth) µg/l Cu; *Catostomus commersoni* **12.9** µg/l Cu and *Esox lucius* **34.9** µg/l Cu.
- Rejected data: NOEC values for the fish species *Corogonus* and *Micropterus* could not be used because of the high control mortality.

31. Collvin, 1985

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations in control water (tapwater) are reported (1 µg/l Cu),
- Fish were caught from lake Sovdeborgssjon in Sweden; 4 weeks of acclimation in control water,
- Mean alkalinity and hardness of testmedia is 129 and 194 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Reported pH value is 7.8,

- DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.0 mg/l for tapwaters,
- Statistics are reported,
- 4 Cu concentration tested (13-81 µg/l Cu) and 1 control,
- Dose response curve is reported,
- Reliable NOEC value for *P. fluviatilis* on growth is 22 µg/l Cu for 18 days and **39** µg/l Cu for 30 days.

32. Collvin, 1984

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations in control water (tap water) are reported 3 µg/l,
- Acclimation of the organisms in tapwater,
- Origin of the organisms: caught in south swedish lake and kept in tap water with background concentration of 3 µg/l,
- Mean reported hardness and alkalinity of testmedia are 178 and 131 mg/l CaCO₃
- Reported pH is 7.8,
- DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.0 mg/l for tapwaters
- Cu concentration series are reported (5 concentrations between 700 and 87 µg/l and 1 control of 3 µg/l Cu),
- Dose-response curve mortality is reported, but the statistical treatment is not reported ('all fish died at 492 and 700 µg/l Cu, while all fish exposed to 3, 87, 145 and 188 µg/l Cu survived'),
- No mortalities in control,
- Reliable NOEC value (30 days of exposure) for *P. fluviatilis* is **188** (mortality) µg/l Cu.

33. Horning and Neiheisel, 1979

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations in control water (spring water from Newton Fish Farm and demineralised tapwater from Cincinnati) are reported (4.3 µg/l),
- Origin fish: Shayler Run Creek, Ohio, 7 weeks of acclimation in control water,
- Mean reported hardness and alkalinity of testmedia are 172-230 and 150-186 mg/l CaCO₃,
- pH ranges between 7.9 and 8.3,
- DOC concentration of 0.55 mg/l was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.0 mg/l for spring waters and 0.1 mg/l for deionised waters,
- Cu concentration series are reported (5 concentrations between 18-120 µg/l and 1 control of 4.3 µg/l Cu),
- Dose-response curve mortality/ growth is not reported,
- Dose-response curve reproduction is reported,
- NOEC value for reproduction is <18 µg/l Cu,
- Reliable NOEC values for *P. promelas* on mortality is: **71.8** µg/l Cu,
- Reliable NOEC value for *P. promelas* on growth is: **71.8** µg/l Cu,
- Reliable NOEC for growth after 30 days of exposure is **44.1** µg/l, after 60 days of exposure 71.8 µg/l Cu ??,
- Control survival (93-100%),
- Statistics are reported.

34. Mount, 1968

Comments:

- Background Cu concentrations in control water (mixture of springwater used in the Newtown Fish hatchery + demineralised Cincinnati tapwater) are reported 3.5 µg/l Cu,
- Origin of the organisms: Newtown Fish Farm,
- 6 weeks of acclimation to the testwater,
- Mean reported hardness and alkalinity of testmedia are 198 and 161 mg/l CaCO₃,
- Reported pH ranges from 7.5 to 8.5,
- DOC concentration of 0.55 mg/l was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.0 mg/l for spring waters and 0.1 mg/l for deionised waters,
- Cu concentration series are reported (4 concentrations between 95 and 5.8 µg/l Cu and 1 control of 4.4 µg/l Cu),
- Dose-response curve for reproduction/growth is reported, but very high variability between replicates,
- 80% survival in control,

- ❑ Reliable NOEC (330 days of exposure) for *P. promelas* on mortality, growth and reproduction could be calculated by using own statistical analysis ($p < 0.05$), ie **33**, **33** and **14.5** $\mu\text{g/l}$ Cu respectively.

35. Mount and Stephan, 1969

Comments:

- ❑ Background Cu concentrations in control water (mixture of springwater used in the Newtown Fish hatchery + demineralised Cincinnati tapwater) are reported 4.4 $\mu\text{g/l}$ Cu,
- ❑ Origin of the organisms: Newtown Fish Farm,
- ❑ 80% survival in control,
- ❑ Mean reported hardness and alkalinity of testmedia are 31 and 30 mg/l CaCO_3 ,
- ❑ Reported pH ranges from 6.9 to 7.2,
- ❑ DOC concentration of 0.55 mg/l was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.0 mg/l for spring waters and 0.1 mg/l for deionised waters,
- ❑ Cu concentration series are reported (4 concentrations between 18.4 and 5 $\mu\text{g/l}$ Cu and 1 control of 4.4 $\mu\text{g/l}$ Cu),
- ❑ Dose-response curve for reproduction/growth/mortality is reported, but no statistics were applied,
- ❑ Reliable NOEC for *P. promelas* on mortality, growth and reproduction could be calculated by using own statistical analysis at $p < 0.05$, ie **10.6**, **10.6** and **10.6** $\mu\text{g/l}$ Cu respectively.

36. Pickering *et al.*, 1977**Comments:**

- ❑ Background Cu concentrations in control water (mixture of springwater used in the Newtown Fish hatchery + demineralised Cincinnati tapwater) are reported (4.2 $\mu\text{g/l}$),
- ❑ All fish were reared from eggs spawned in the laboratory pondwater; larvae were reared for about 4 weeks before they were introduced into the exposure chambers,
- ❑ Mean reported hardness and acidity of testmedia are 202 and 8 mg/l CaCO_3 ,
- ❑ Reported pH ranges from 7.5 to 8.2,
- ❑ DOC concentration of 0.55 mg/l was estimated from the values reported Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.0 mg/l for spring waters and 0.1 mg/l for deionised waters,
- ❑ Cu concentration series are reported (6 concentrations between 98 and 11 $\mu\text{g/l}$ and 1 control of 4.2 $\mu\text{g/l}$ Cu),
- ❑ Dose-response curve mortality is not reported,
- ❑ No control mortality,
- ❑ Significance testing is used,
- ❑ NOEC value for mortality should be >99 , >96 , >99.5 $\mu\text{g/l}$ Cu,
- ❑ Dose response curve for growth/ reproduction is reported,
- ❑ Reliable NOEC data for *P. promelas* on reproduction are **22.5**, **23** and **25.5** $\mu\text{g/l}$ Cu,
- ❑ Reliable NOEC for *P. promelas* on growth could be calculated by using own statistical analysis at $p < 0.05$, ie >99.5 , >96 and **59.5** $\mu\text{g/l}$ Cu.
- ❑ Rejected data for survival: unbounded NOEC.

37. Spehar and Fiant, 1985 (EPA document)

Comments:

- ❑ Background Cu concentrations in control waters are reported, 3.4 $\mu\text{g/l}$ for the Lester water with *C. dubia* and < 2 $\mu\text{g/l}$ for the Lake Superior with *P. promelas*. A background Cu concentration of 1.25 $\mu\text{g/l}$ was retained for Lake Superior according to Poldoski and Glass (1978),
- ❑ All the organisms were cultured in their respective water before they were tested,
- ❑ Reported hardness and alkalinity of Lester water, 100 and 97 mg/l CaCO_3 respectively,
- ❑ Reported pH of Lester and Lake Superior water are 8.0-8.5 and 6.0-8.1 respectively,
- ❑ Reported hardness and alkalinity of Lake Superior water, 44 and 42 mg/l CaCO_3 respectively,
- ❑ DOC concentration of 5.7 mg/l was estimated from the reported TOC concentration in the Lester water (i.e. 7.1 mg/l). DOC concentration in Lake Superior water was estimated from Santore et al. (2002), i.e. 1.0 mg/l ,
- ❑ Concentration series (6 concentrations between 9.9 and 237 $\mu\text{g/l}$ Cu for *C. dubia* and 5 concentrations between 4.8 and 65 $\mu\text{g/l}$ Cu for *P. promelas*) and dose-response curve are reported,
- ❑ Dose response curve for growth and mortality for *P. promelas* are reported,
- ❑ Control mortality for *P. promelas* is 10%,
- ❑ Dose response curve for reproduction and mortality for *C. dubia* are reported,
- ❑ Control mortality for *C. dubia* is 10%,
- ❑ Statistics are reported,
- ❑ Reliable NOEC values for *C. dubia* are **122** (mortality) and **31.6** (reproduction) $\mu\text{g/l}$ Cu,

- ❑ Reliable NOEC values for *P. promelas* are **4.8** (mortality) and **4.8** (growth) µg/l Cu,

38. Scudder *et al.*, 1988**Comments:**

- ❑ Background Cu concentrations in control water (filtered groundwater on Survey property, California) are reported 0.6 µg/l
- ❑ A breeding population was established from stocks obtained from the EPA laboratory from Newtown, Ohio,
- ❑ Mean reported hardness and alkalinity of testmedia are 202 and 212 mg/l CaCO₃,
- ❑ Reported pH is 8.17,
- ❑ DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore *et al.* (2002), i.e. 1.3 mg/l for wellwaters,
- ❑ Cu concentration series are reported (5 concentrations between 621 and 61 µg/l and 1 control of 0.6 µg/l Cu),
- ❑ Dose-response curve mortality/growth is reported,
- ❑ Statistics are reported,
- ❑ Mortality in control < 20%,
- ❑ Reported NOEC values for *P. promelas* on survival are **61** and 338 µg/l Cu, for growth <61 µg/l. NOEC value of 61 µg/l is the only reliable NOEC value.
- ❑ Rejected data for growth: unbounded NOEC; and rejected NOEC of 338 µg/l for survival because of both the short term exposure duration (8 days) and the less sensitive life stage (i.e. embryo).

39. Brungs *et al.*, 1976**Comments:**

- ❑ Background Cu concentrations in control water are reported 7 µg/l Cu,
- ❑ 2 weeks of acclimation to the testwater,
- ❑ Origin of the organisms: Newton Fish Farm in Ohio,
- ❑ Mean reported hardness and alkalinity of testmedia are 274 and 183 mg/l CaCO₃,
- ❑ Reported pH ranges between 8.0 and 8.3,
- ❑ TOC concentration was reported to be 5.9 mg/l,
- ❑ Water characteristics vary markedly within the 9 month period: hardness (148-340), alkalinity (76-244), temperature (0-30°C),
- ❑ Cu concentration series are reported (6 concentrations between 565 and 33 µg/l Cu and 1 control of 7 µg/l Cu),
- ❑ Dose-response curve for mortality is not reported,
- ❑ Dose response curve for reproduction (spawning) is reported, but very high variability between replicates and no statistics reported,
- ❑ Control mortality is not reported,
- ❑ No statistics are used (NOEC for reproduction could be calculated by using own statistical analysis at p<0.05),
- ❑ Reliable NOEC value for *P. promelas* is **66** (reproduction) µg/l Cu
- ❑ Rejected data for mortality : no significance testing used.

40. McKim and Benoit, 1971

Comments:

- ❑ Control water (dechlorinated tapwater (Duluth city) taken from Lake Superior),
- ❑ Background Cu concentrations in control water are reported (1.9 µg/l),
- ❑ Cu concentrations (32.5-3.4 µg/l Cu),
- ❑ Origin fish: Grand Lakes Minnesota; 3 months of acclimation,
- ❑ Mean hardness and alkalinity is reported, 45 and 42 mg/l CaCO₃,
- ❑ pH value ranges between 6.9 and 8.0,
- ❑ DOC concentration was estimated from the values reported Santore *et al.* (2002), i.e. 1.0 mg/l for tapwaters,
- ❑ Statistics are reported,
- ❑ Dose response curve for mortality/ growth/ reproduction of yearlings is reported,
- ❑ Control survival of yearlings is 93%,
- ❑ Reliable NOEC for *S. fontinalis* on the considered endpoints should be **17.4**, **17.4** and **17.4** µg/l Cu (mortality/ growth/ reproduction) for yearlings and **9.5**, **9.5** µg/l (mortality/ growth) for alevins.

Annexe 3: Acute toxicity and acute-chronic ratios for copper reported in USEPA (2003).

| Species | Hardness (mg/L) | Reported Acute Value (µg/L) | Chronic Value (µg/L) | ACR | Species Mean ACR | Reference |
|--|-----------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|--------|------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>C. decisum</i> (snail) | 35-55 | 1673 | 8.73 | 191.61 | 171.19 | Arthur and Leonard 1970 |
| <i>C. decisum</i> (snail) | 35-55 | 1673 | 10.94 | 152.95 | | Arthur and Leonard 1970 |
| <i>C. dubia</i> (cladoceran) | 94.1 | 28.42 | 7.9 | 3.60 | 2.90 | Belanger et al. 1989 |
| <i>C. dubia</i> (cladoceran) | 179 | 63.33 | 19.36 | 3.27 | | Belanger et al. 1989 |
| <i>C. dubia</i> (cladoceran) | 57 | 13.4 | 24.5 | 0.55 | | Oris et al. 1991 |
| <i>C. dubia</i> (cladoceran) | - | 18.974 | 9.17 | 2.07 | | Carlson et al. 1986 |
| <i>D. magna</i> (cladoceran) | 51 | 26 | 12.58 | 2.07 | 3.42 | Chapman et al. Manuscript |
| <i>D. magna</i> (cladoceran) | 104 | 33.76 | 19.89 | 1.70 | | Chapman et al. Manuscript |
| <i>D. magna</i> (cladoceran) | 211 | 69 | 6.06 | 11.39 | | Chapman et al. Manuscript |
| <i>D. pulex</i> (cladoceran) | 57.5 | 25.737 | 2.83 | 9.10 | 4.82 | Winner 1985 |
| <i>D. pulex</i> (cladoceran) | 115 | 27.6 | 7.071068 | 3.90 | | Winner 1985 |
| <i>D. pulex</i> (cladoceran) | 230 | 28.79 | 9.16 | 3.14 | | Winner 1985 |
| <i>O. mykiss</i> (rainbow trout) | 120 | 80 | 27.77 | 2.88 | 2.88 | Seim et al. 1984 |
| <i>O. tshawytscha</i> (chinook salmon) | 20-45 | 33.1 | 5.92 | 5.59 | 5.59 | Chapman 1975, 1982 |
| <i>P. notatus</i> (bluntnose minnow) | 172-230 | 231.9 | 18 | 12.88 | 12.88 | Horning and Neiheisel 1979 |
| <i>P. promelas</i> (fathead minnow) | 45 | 106.875 | 9.38 | 11.40 | 11.40 | Lind et al. 1978 |
| <i>L. macrochirus</i> (bluegill) | 21-40 | 1100 | 27.15 | 40.52 | 40.49 | Benoit 1975 |
| <i>C. variegatus</i> (sheepshead minnow) | - | 368 | 249.5276 | 1.48 | 1.48 | Hughes et al. 1989 |

Annexe 4: Baseline copper levels and background copper levels

In order to interpret the copper concentrations, it is important to evaluate the data in view of background reference concentrations. "True" natural background concentrations can hardly be found in most European surface waters as a result of historical and current anthropogenic input from diffuse sources. This issue was discussed for the EU Water Framework Directive by a group of experts and the following definition was agreed: "The background concentration of target metals in the aquatic ecosystems of a river basin, river sub-basin or river basin management area is that concentration in the present or past corresponding to very low anthropogenic pressure. The methodologies proposed for setting the background concentrations were: (1) trace metal concentrations in groundwater (shallow and/or deep); (2) analysed values for trace metal concentrations in pristine areas (with assurance that river basin is pristine or nearly so) (3) expert judgment (incl. international agreements; river basin commissions) (EAF, 2004). A draft working document discussed further the approach and stated that the first step in this process is to elucidate default background concentrations applicable to a large part of Europe. It was agreed that the most important database is the FOREGS Geochemical Baseline Programme (FGBP) published in March 2004 (<http://www.gsf.fi/foregs/geochem/>). FOREGS (Forum of European Geological Surveys) Geochemical Baseline Programme sought to provide high quality environmental geochemical baseline data for Europe based on samples of stream water, stream sediment, floodplain sediment, soil, and humus collected all over Europe. High quality and consistency of the obtained data were ensured by using standardised sampling methods and by treating and analysing all samples in the same laboratories. Five random points were selected in each Global Terrestrial Network cell (160*160 km²), one point in each quadrant and one point random in the cell. The points were used to select the five nearest small drainage basins of <100 km². The sampling sites selected for stream water analyses of dissolved metals were typical of locally unimpacted or slightly impacted areas. As a consequence, the metal concentrations – and copper more specific – that are determined in these samples can be considered as relevant background concentrations. These copper concentrations are fundamentally different from the values that were used for the derivation of a RWC-ambient PEC: the surface waters that were used for the RWC-ambient PEC did not represent pristine areas, but only excluded locations that were directly impacted by local point sources.

The FOREGS-data set is considered to be of high quality: a detailed description of sampling methodology, sampling preparation and analysis is given by Salminen et al. (2005):

- running stream water was collected from small, second order drainage basins (<100 km²);
- whenever possible, sampling was performed during winter and early spring months, and was avoided during rainy periods and flood events;
- a full description of sampling materials and sampling volumes is provided, and all materials were rinsed twice with unfiltered or filtered stream water (depending on the type of water sample);
- all potential contaminating factors were reduced during the sampling period (wearing of gloves, no smoking in the area allowed, no hand jewelry was allowed, running vehicles during sampling was prohibited, etc..)

The programme resulted in 807 stream water samples spread over Europe. The interpretation group of FOREGS produced the final stream water maps in their meeting on 3 March 2004. The data that were acquired from the FOREGS monitoring program are shown in Figure 1, which presents the currently most extensive, robust and spatially-relevant data set of dissolved background copper concentrations on the European scale. This map shows the great spatial importance of the copper baseline levels, likely related to local geochemical characteristics. High Cu-values that are found in Swiss pristine water, for instance, can be related to the physicochemical characteristics of natural granitic waters that are present in the Alps. Alaux-Negrel et al. (1993) measured elevated concentrations of Ca, Na, Co, W and Zn (Cu not reported) in granitic waters sampled in the Alps.

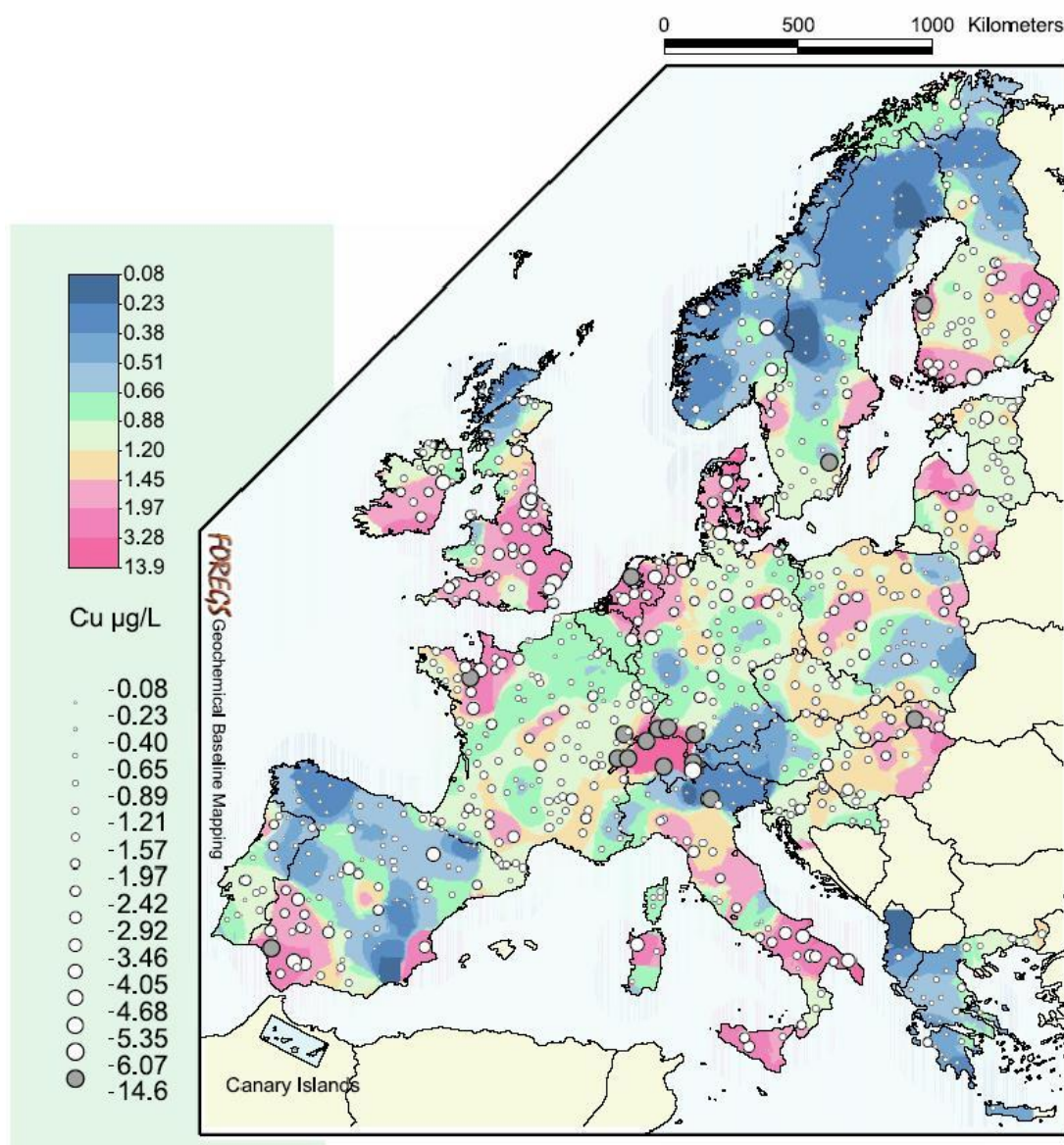
The total number of analysed (ICP-MS, DEM: 0.005 µg/L) water samples was 807. Dissolved copper ranged between 0.1 and 14 µg Cu/L with 10th/90th percentiles ranging between 0.23 and 3.28 and a 50th percentile of 0.88 µg Cu/L. Taking into account the high quality of the data set, this 50th value is accepted as a typical background concentration for Cu in European surface waters (EU-regional scale).

Background or baseline Cu-concentrations have also been reported in literature. An overview of some relevant background concentrations in EU-waters is given hereunder. For these data a quality assurance is not always possible due to the lack of full, detailed description of all sampling steps.

Study of the metal concentration in lake systems in the Finnish part of Lapland can be considered as a reasonable estimation of natural background concentration for whole Scandinavia (EC, 1998). The metal concentration measured in these aquatic ecosystems were close to the detection limits of the most common used analytical detection methods i.e. FAAS, GFAAS and ICP-AES. The measured total Cu concentration of 0.28 µg/L, calculated as 50th percentile (median), was retained as background concentration for Scandinavian water systems (Mannio et al, 1995). Metal concentrations collected from Finnish catchments (Valkea-Kotinen, Hietajärvi and Pesosjärvi), located in so called background areas (no point sources of heavy metals), generated similar background concentrations for copper, i.e. between 0.11 and 0.75 µg Cu_{total}/L (reported as 50th percentiles) (Ukonmaanaho et al., 1998). A third study, study covering the whole country (i.e. Finland) with emphasis on the acidified lakes located in unaffected areas, revealed again comparable mean background Cu concentration, expressed as total, of 0.43 µg/L (maximum: 3.01 µg/L) (Verta et al., 1990).

Mean background Cu concentrations in the Northern part of Sweden varied between 0.51 µg Cu_{total}/L (range: 0.1-2.0 µg Cu_{total}/L; Borg, 1987) and 0.9 µg Cu_{total}/L (0.25-2.66 µg Cu_{total}/L; Borg, 1983), whereas a median Cu_{total} concentration of 1.0 µg/L (range <0.5 – 2.0 µg/L) was observed in pristine Norwegian lakes (Henriksen and Wright, 1978). According to Van den Weijden and Middelburg (1989) and Zuurdeeg et al. (1992) it is very difficult to derive background concentrations from fresh surface water in the Netherlands through analytical means because most locations are influenced by anthropogenic inputs. However, Zuurdeeg et al. (1992) could derive background Cu concentrations between 0.8-5.3 µg/L as Cu_{dissolved} and 0.56-2.5 µg/L as total Cu_{total} for Northern Europe.

Figure 1 Copper background concentrations in European surface waters (taken from FOREGS Geochemical Baseline Programme)



For the Dutch situation models were developed and used to derive these background concentrations which can be considered as representative (Van den Hoop, 1995). From these models natural background concentrations for copper between 1.1 and 1.3 µg Cu/L were calculated. The extrapolated background concentration for Cu, expressed as $Cu_{dissolved}$, was 0.44 µg/L for freshwater and 0.25 µg/L for saltwater (Crommentuijn et al., 1997). A background concentration of 1.1 µg Cu_{total} /L was derived for Dutch freshwaters. According to Timmermans et al. (1991), background Cu concentration below detection limit (i.e. <0.3 µg/L) were noticed in Lake Maarsseveen. Other $Cu_{dissolved}$ concentrations reported for the same lake were between 0.3 - 1.8 µg/L (system 1) and 0.4-5.1 µg/L (system 2).

Likewise, background concentrations for German freshwaters cannot easily be estimated from water concentrations. Therefore, an estimation of the background concentration for German surface waters was calculated from the soil concentrations and the particulate-water partitioning coefficient. A mean dissolved background copper concentration of 0.5 µg/L was calculated (Schudoma et al., 1994).

Water samples taken from alpine oligotrophic lakes (Achensee, Drachensee, Mittlerer Plenderlesee, Oberer Plenderlesee en Schwarzsee ob Solden) in the Northern part of

Austria revealed season averaged Cu concentrations between 0.62 and 1.89 µg/L dissolved copper (Kock et al., 1995).

Representative background Cu concentrations for England were measured in the Ivel and Yare rivers from the upper catchment control sites. Background concentrations of respectively 3.5 and 0.5 µg/L total copper were found (Bubb and Lester, 1996). Although it was not very clear how the authors found it, Neal et al. (1996) derived a dissolved background concentration for copper of 1 µg/L.

For Belgium, Richelle et al. (1991) reported copper concentrations in unpolluted pools. The reported total copper concentrations for these pools varied between 0.99 and 1.02 µg/L.

WRc & ECI (2001) reported total and dissolved copper concentrations for 10 European "pristine" natural waters (rivers and lakes) i.e. sites where anthropogenic inputs of metals are insignificant. The investigated river and lake systems were Bihain & Sommerain (Belgium), Lake Clywydog & river Mole (UK), Skarsjön (Sweden), lake Monate and lake Segrino (Italy), Markermeer and Ankeveense plassen (Netherlands) and the Rhine at Koblenz (Germany). Copper concentrations for all sites ranged from <0.3 to 3.2 µg Cu_{total}/L and from 0.06 to 3.3 µg Cu_{dissolved}/L, respectively.

A summary of the above mentioned background copper concentrations for European surface water is shown in table 4.1.

With these data, a median value of total and dissolved copper background concentration in EU-surface waters derived, i.e. 1.05 and 0.84 µg/L, respectively.

The Zuurdeeg (1992) data for Northern European Lowland were not included in the derivation of a typical Cu-background in European surface waters for 2 reasons:

- Northern Countries were already taken into account (i.e. Finland; Sweden, Norway);
- Reported mean dissolved Cu-concentration was a factor of 2 higher than the total mean concentration, thus making the relevance of these data questionable.

Despite the missing information on quality assurance of the reported data, the typical value of 0.84 µg/L for dissolved copper does confirm the median value of 0.88 µg/L that was generated in the FOREGS Geochemical Mapping Programme.

Background concentrations of copper in groundwater have been reported by various authors. Stuyfzand (1991, 1992) stated that the natural background variation of Cu in groundwater (no anthropogenic input) is situated between 0.1 and 3.2 µg/L. This is in line with the concentration of 1.5 ± 1.5 µg/L that is reported by Meinardi (1999) in groundwater from the Veluwe (The Netherlands). A study by Fraters et al. (2001) revealed that the background concentration of Cu in groundwater depends on the sampling depth and soil type: below 25 m the background is less than 0.63 µg/L, whereas Cu-concentrations in the upper 5 m vary between 12 µg/L (clayey soil) and 25 µg/L (sandy, peaty soil).

Table 4.1 Measured or estimated background copper concentrations in European freshwaters; reported as mean/ median with range (between brackets)

| Country | µg Cu/L | | Mean/ Median | Reference |
|-----------------|---|------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| | total | dissolved | | |
| Finland | 0.28 0.43 0.11-0.75 | | median mean range | Mannio et al., 1995 Verta et al., 1990 Ukonmaanoha et al., 1998 |
| Average | 0.39 | | | |
| Sweden | 0.51 (0.1-2.0) 0.9 (0.25-2.66) <0.4 | | mean 1 value | Borg, 1987 Borg, 1983 WRc & ECI, 2001 |
| Average: | <0.63 | 0.3 | | |
| Norway | 1.0 (<0.5-2.0) | | | Henriksen & Wight, 1978 |
| Northern Europe | 1.1 (0.56-2.5) | 2.0 (0.8-5.3) | mean | Zuurdeeg, 2002 |
| The Netherlands | 1.1 (0.6-3.0) 1.33 1.7 3.2 | 0.44 0.5 3.3 | mean Mean Mean 1 value | Crommentuijn et al., 1997 Zuurdeeg, 1992 Van der Weijden & Middelburg, 1989 WRc & ECI, 2001 |
| Average: | 1.8 | 1.4 | | |
| Germany | 2.2 1.3 | 0.5 1.7 0.7 | mean 1 value | Schudoma et al., 1994 WRc & ECI, 2001 Van den Berg & Zwolsman, 2000 |
| Average | 1.75 | 0.97 | | |
| Austria | | 0.62–1.89 | mean | Kock et al., 1995 |
| England | 0.5 – 3.5 1.5 2.8 | 1 1.4 2.2 | mean - 1 value 1 value | Bubb & Lester, 1996 Neil et al., 1996 WRc & ECI, 2001 WRc & ECI, 2001 |
| Average: | 2.1 | 1.5 | | |
| Belgium | 0.99-1.02 <0.3 0.9 | 0.06 0.9 | | Richelle et al., 1991 WRc & ECI, 2001 WRc & ECI, 2001 |
| Average: | <0.80 | 0.4 | | |

| Country | µg Cu/L | | Mean/ Median | Reference |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | total | dissolved | | |
| Italy | <0.4 | 0.4 | | WRc & ECI, 2001 |
| | 0.5 | 0.8 | | WRc & ECI, 2001 |
| Average: | <0.45 | 0.6 | | |
| Median (+range) | 1.05 (0.39 - 2.1) | 0.84 (0.3 - 1.89) | | |

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Annexe 5: Examples of BLM applications

Rhine-specific HC5-50 values, corrected for bioavailability in accordance to the 2011 EQS guideline, were calculated from 2013 monitoring data.

The ICPR Rhine river database was consulted and all potentially relevant physicochemical data from 2013 (Ca, Mg, Na, K, Cl, SO₄, dissolved and total organic carbon content, pH, temperature) were retrieved for the following stations: Rekingen, Weil am Rhein, Lauterbourg/Karlsruhe, Koblenz/Rhine, Koblenz/Mosel, Bimmen, Lobith, Kampen, Maassluis. Site-specific median values (assumption: log-normal distribution) and ranges were derived for each of the parameters and compared to the applicability ranges of the BLM (Table 1).

Table 5.2: Physico-chemistry of the river Rhine samples, collected in 2013 (ICPR website)

| Physicochemistry of nine locations along the River Rhine – Median and Min/Max values (mg/L) | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| | Bimmen | Kampen | Koblenz | | Lauter- burg | Lobith | Maassluis | Rekingen | Weil am Rhein |
| | | | Mosel | Rhein | | | | | |
| pH | 8.16 (8.0-8.6) | 8.05 (7.7-8.4) | 7.99 (7.8- 8.4) | 8.08 (7.9- 8.3) | 7.97 (7.8-8.2) | 8.29 (7.96- 8.76) | 7.88 (7.1-8.3) | 8.18 (8.0-8.3) | 8.12 (8.0-8.3) |
| DOC | No data | 3.0 (2.2-4.2) | 3.5 (2.4- 6.7) | 2.2 (1.5- 6.1) | 1.8 (1.4-2.7) | 2.6 (2.02- 4.3) | 2.9 (2.2-4.3) | 2.0 (1.5-4.3) | 1.8 (1.4-2.5) |
| Ca | 79 (63-92) | 71.4 (60-79) | 109.1 (69- 370) | 64.8 (58- 74) | 47.7 (22-57) | 69.7 (59.9- 82.7) | 94.2 (63.2-149) | 50.6 (33-59) | 55.4 (46-68) |
| Mg | 11.6 (10-14) | 10.9 (9.1- 13.1) | 16.7 (12- 23) | 10.8 (9.5- 13) | 6.8 (3.3-8.3) | 11.0 (9.3- 13.3) | 84.1 (10.7-312) | 9.1 (8.1-10.3) | 7.6 (6.4-8.5) |
| Na | 34.3 (21-46) | 37.4 (21-53) | 46.8 (22- 85) | 18.8 (13- 26) | 9.7 (5-14) | 37.4 (21.2- 50.8) | 617.1 (40-2630) | 7.1 (5.7-9.4) | 8.5 (6.5- 11.8) |
| K | 4.2 (3.4-5.1) | 4.3 (3.3-5.2) | 4.9 (3.9- 7.1) | 3.2 (2.5- 5.7) | 1.8 (0.9-2.2) | 3.8 (3.1- 4.7) | 25.6 (3.6-96.8) | 1.6 (1.4-1.8) | 1.7 (1.4-2.0) |
| Cl | 70.7 (40-99) | 65.0 (38-86) | 141 (78- 229) | 31.3 (19- 52) | 15.9 (11-23) | 65.7 (33-93) | 1036 (75-4430) | 9.9 (7.9-14) | 11.9 (8-17) |
| SO ₄ | 54.5 (37-67) | 50.8 (32-66) | 72 (37- 127) | 44 (32- 53) | 22.7 (14-26) | 49.4 (33-68) | 194.2 (41-650) | 28.4 (24-31) | 24.5 (20-28) |
| TOC | 3.6 (2.5-6.1) | 3.4 (2.4-4.6) | 4.3 (2.5- 11) | 2.5 (1.6- 8.0) | 2.1 (1.6-4.4) | 3.0 (2.1- 5.0) | 3.3 (2.3-5.7) | 2.6 (1.7-5.3) | 2.3 (1.6-4.1) |

Comparison between Table 5.2 and the copper BLM boundaries indicates that all freshwater samples fall within the BLM boundaries, except for the data from Lobith, with a slightly higher maximum pH value (BLM pH boundary of 8.5; highest measured pH in Rhine of 8.76). The sampling station “Maassluis” represents the estuarine section of the river Rhine and was therefore not further considered

BLM-corrected HC5-50 values were thus determined for all freshwater samples as follows:

- BLM corrected HC5-50 values, determined with the “Cu PNEC estimator V1.3.1” software for each sampling date/station separately.

- pH and DOC are the most critical BLM parameters. If pH and/or DOC values were not available, no calculation was performed. The data from Bimmen could therefore not be used as DOC concentration levels were not reported.
- If data for Ca, Mg or Na were not reported for a specific sample but were available for the station (different sampling periods), then the median value for the site was used as default value (log-normal distribution is assumed: mean = median).
- For the Koblenz, Lauterbourg and Lobith locations, the date of pH-sampling differed from the date that other critical samples were measured. The site-specific average pH was therefore used for these three locations.

The summary statistics of the BLM corrected HC5-50 values, are provided in Table 5.3. For the river Rhine samples assessed, the site-specific median of BLM-corrected values range between 3.6 and 9.8 µg Cu/L, with an overall median of 4.9 µg Cu/L.

Table 5.3: BLM corrected HC5-50 values for river Rhine samples, collected in 2013 (ICPR website)

n = number of samples, Range, P5, P10, P50 = 5th 10th 50th percentiles of the HC5-50 values.

| | All data | Kampen | Koblenz | | Lauterbourg | Lobith | Rekingen | Weil am Rhein |
|-------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|---------|----------|---------------|
| | | | Mosel | Rhein | | | | |
| N | 169 | 13 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 26 |
| Range | 2.5-21.7 | 5.0-16.1 | 7.0-21.7 | 3.4-16.0 | 3.7-7.6 | 4.5-9.0 | 2.5-7.7 | 2.5-6.4 |
| P5 | 2.7 | 5.1 | 8.0 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 4.6 | 2.5 | 2.5 |
| P10 | 3.1 | 5.7 | 8.1 | 3.8 | 4.0 | 4.7 | 2.6 | 2.6 |
| P50 | 4.9 | 9.3 | 9.8 | 4.8 | 4.6 | 5.3 | 3.6 | 3.6 |

Conclusion and applications

Chronic BLM calculations, applied to the 2013 freshwater River Rhine monitoring data, resulted in HC5-50 values ranging between 2.5 and 22 µg Cu/L. Site-specific median BLM-corrected HC5-50 values, relevant to the yearly average EQS derivations, range between 3.6 and 9.8 µg Cu/L.

Following the 2011 EQS guideline, these HC5-50 values can be used as a basis for deriving (1) site-specific yearly average EQS values or (2) site specific bio-availability factors (BIOF= EQS-Rhine generic/ EQS site) and site specific bio-availability corresponding bio-available copper concentrations (µg bio-available Cu/L= (µg dissolved copper/L)/ BIOF).