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ABSTRACT

Pesticides

The U.S. Department of Commerce published two annotated bibliographies on the ecology of insecticide water pollution, including marine organisms and ecosystems. Jernelov presented a history of chlorinated hydrocarbon pollution in the marine environment. Ernst reviewed the effects of pesticides in the marine environment and observed that estuaries exhibit higher concentrations than open seawater. He concluded that concentrations of a number of pesticides in the open ocean are unlikely to endanger marine life, but that the margin for safety is less in estuaries.

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