

6.4 SORPTION OF HYDROPHOBIC (ORGANIC) COMPOUNDS

1. Low solubility in water eg. CTBT Solubility 805 mg/L \rightarrow 805 ppm
Drinking H₂O limit 5 ppb.
2. Adsorbed onto solid surfaces (since hydrophobic)
 - organic matter (important site)
 - \hookrightarrow exclusively sorbed onto organic if $f_{oc} \geq 0.1\%$

$$f_{oc} = \frac{\text{organic carbon wt}}{\text{bulk wt.}}$$

Two limits for behavior:

If $f_{oc} \geq 0.1\%$ then $K_{oc} = \frac{K_d}{f_{oc}}$

K_{oc} = organic carbon partition coefficient.

If only know wt of organic matter, $K_{oc} = 1.724 K_{om}$
since organic carbon less wt than organic matter

If $f_{oc} \leq 0.1\%$ then mineral surfaces are an important (relatively) site for the hydrophobic compounds.

$\therefore K_d = K_{oc} f_{oc}$ does not apply.

If $f_{oc} \geq 0.1\%$ then

K_{oc} may be estimated from two methods:

1. K_{ow} - octanol-water partition coefficient defines solubility of octanol in water
2. Solubility data specific to the solvent compound.

For example: ($f_{oc} > 0.1\%$)

$$K_d = K_{oc} f_{oc}$$



eg. $K_{oc} = 0.63 K_{ow}$

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eg. $\log K_{oc} = 3.64 - 0.55 \log S$

Solubility in mg/L

see table 3.5
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TABLE 3.5 Empirical equations by which K_{oc} can be estimated from S .

Equation Number	Equation	Reference
(113)	$\log K_{oc} = 0.44 - 0.54 \log S$ S in mole fraction, $r^2 = 0.94$	Karickhoff, Brown, and Scott 1979
(114)	$\log K_{oc} = 3.64 - 0.55 \log S$ S in mg/L	Kenaga 1980
(115)	$\log K_{oc} = 4.273 - 0.686 \log S$ S in mg/L	Means et al. 1980
(116)	$\log K_{oc} = 3.95 - 0.62 \log S$ S in mg/L	Hassett et al. 1983
(117)	$\log K_{oc} = 0.001 - 0.729 \log S$ S in moles/L, $r^2 = 0.996$	Chou, Porter, and Schmedding 1983

$$\log K_{oc} = 3.64 - 0.55 \log S$$

$$\rightarrow \text{ETHYL BENZENE} = 140 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$\log S = 2.15$$

$$\log K_{oc} = 3.64 - 0.55(2.15) = 2.46$$

$$\therefore K_{oc} = 288 \text{ L/kg or (mL/g)}$$

TABLE 3.6 K_{oc} values estimated from the aqueous solubility.

Compound:	Dichloroethane	Benzene	Trichloroethane	Ethyl Benzene	Tetrachloroethane	Naphthalene	2,2'-Dichlorobiphenyl	Pyrene
Molecular weight:	98.96	78.12	131.38	165.82	106.18	128.18	223.10	202.26
Log S :	5500 3.74	1780 3.25	1100 3.04	140 2.15	150 2.18	31 1.49	1.86 0.269	0.032 -1.50
Log S :	5.56×10^{-3} -1.25	2.08×10^{-3} -1.64	6.37×10^{-3} -2.08	8.44×10^{-4} -3.07	1.41×10^{-3} -2.85	2.42×10^{-4} -3.62	8.32×10^{-6} -5.08	1.58×10^{-7} -6.80
Log S :	1.00×10^{-3} -3.00	4.10×10^{-4} -3.39	1.51×10^{-4} -3.82	1.52×10^{-5} -4.82	2.54×10^{-5} -4.60	4.35×10^{-6} -5.36	1.49×10^{-7} -6.83	2.84×10^{-9} -8.55
Equation Number ^a	Estimated $\log K_{oc}$							
(113)	2.06	2.27	2.50	3.04	2.87	3.33	4.13	5.06
(114)	1.58	1.85	1.97	2.46	2.44	2.82	3.79	4.47
(115)	1.67	2.01	2.15	2.76	2.74	3.21	4.46	5.27
(116)	1.63	1.94	2.07	2.62	2.60	3.03	4.12	4.88
(117)	1.15	1.43	1.75	2.47	2.31	2.88	3.93	5.19
Range	1.15-2.06	1.43-2.27	1.75-2.50	1.80-3.04	2.31-2.87	2.82-3.33	3.79-4.46	4.47-5.27
Mean	1.62	1.90	2.09	2.67	2.59	3.05	4.09	4.97
St. dev.	0.32	0.31	0.27	0.24	0.22	0.22	0.25	0.32
Coef. var	0.08	0.17	0.06	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.08

^a The equation numbers in this table refer to Table 3.1.

$\log K_{ow}$

TABLE 3.4 Experimentally derived K_{ow} values.

Compound	$\log(K_{ow})$	Reference
Benzene	1.50	Chiu, Porter, and Schmedding 1983
	1.92	Korickhoff, Brown, and Scott 1979
	1.98	Rogers, McFarlane, and Cross 1980
Ethylbenzene	2.22	Chiu, Porter, and Schmedding 1983
2,2'-Dichlorobiphenyl	3.92	Chiu, Porter, and Schmedding 1983
Tetrachloroethene	2.32	Chiu, Peters, and Freed 1979
Naphthalene	3.11	Chiu, Porter, Brown, and Scott 1979
Pyrene	4.92	Korickhoff, Brown, and Scott 1979
	4.80	Means et al. 1980

EXPERIMENTAL VALUES

COMPARE?

Equation Number	Equation	Chemicals Used	Reference
(I1)	$\log K_{ow} = 0.52 \log K_{ow} + 0.62$	72 substituted benzenes	Briggs, 1981
(I2)	$\log K_{ow} = 1.00 \log K_{ow} - 0.21$	10 polyanomatic pesticides	Korickhoff, Brown, and Scott 1979
(I3)	$K_{ow} = 0.63 K_{ow}$	hydrocarbons	Korickhoff, Brown, and Scott 1979
(I4)	$\log K_{ow} = 0.514 \log K_{ow} + 1.377$	Miscellaneous organics	Kanaga and Goring 1980
(I5)	$\log K_{ow} = 1.029 \log K_{ow} - 0.18$	45 organics, mostly pesticides	Boo and Davidson 1980
(I6)	$\log K_{ow} = 0.94 \log K_{ow} + 0.22$	13 pesticides	Boo and Davidson 1980
(I7)	$\log K_{ow} = 0.989 \log K_{ow} - 0.346$	s-triazines and dinitroaromatics	Korickhoff 1981
(I8)	$r^2 = 0.91; n = 13$	5 polyaromatic hydrocarbons	lyman 1982
(I9)	$\log K_{ow} = 0.937 \log K_{ow} - 0.006$	Aromatics, polyaromatics, triazines	McCalli, Swann, and Laskowski 1983
(I9)	$\ln K_{ow} = \ln K_{ow} - 0.7301$	DDT, tetrachlorobiphenyl, lindane, 2,4-D, and dieldrin	Chiu, Porter, and Schmedding 1983
(I10)	$\log K_{ow} = 0.904 \log K_{ow} - 0.779$	benzenes, chlorinated benzenes, PCBs	Schwarzenbach and Westall 1981
(I11)	$\log K_{ow} = 0.72 \log K_{ow} + 0.49$	Methylated and chlorinated benzenes	Mosselt et al. 1980
(I12)	$\log K_{ow} = 1.00 \log K_{ow} - 0.317$	22 polynuclear aromatics	

TABLE 3.3 Estimated values of K_{ow} based on published K_{ow} values.

Equation Number	Dichloroethene	Benzene	Trichloroethene	Ethyl Benzene	Tetrachloroethene	Naphthalene	2,2'-Dichlorobiphenyl	Pyrene
(I1)	1.79	1.96	2.05	2.49	2.62	2.61	3.35	3.42
(I2)	1.58	1.92	2.10	2.93	3.19	3.16	4.59	5.11
(I3)	1.13	1.94	1.44	1.98	2.14	2.16	3.07	3.35
(I4)	2.35	2.54	2.62	3.09	3.23	3.21	3.99	4.37
(I5)	1.66	2.01	2.18	3.05	3.32	3.29	4.76	5.19
(I6)	1.90	2.22	2.37	3.17	3.42	3.39	4.73	5.12
(I7)	1.42	1.76	1.92	2.76	3.02	2.99	4.40	4.92
(I8)	1.67	1.99	2.14	2.94	3.18	3.15	4.49	4.98
(I9)	1.06	1.40	1.56	2.41	2.67	2.64	4.07	4.59
(I10)	1.08	1.39	1.53	2.06	2.30	2.51	3.80	4.27
(I11)	1.78	2.02	2.14	2.75	2.94	2.92	3.95	4.32
(I12)	1.47	1.81	1.97	2.82	3.08	3.05	4.48	5.00
Range	1.06-2.35	1.34-2.14	1.44-2.62	1.98-3.17	2.14-3.42	2.16-3.39	3.07-4.76	3.35-5.29
Mean	1.57	1.86	2.00	2.70	2.93	2.92	4.14	4.58
St. dev.	0.38	0.35	0.33	0.39	0.41	0.37	0.54	0.63
Coef. var.	0.24	0.19	0.17	0.14	0.15	0.13	0.13	0.14

* The equation numbers in this table refer to Table 3.1

$\log K_{ow} = 2.13$
 $10^x \approx 11$

$K_{ow} = 135$
 $K_{oc} = 0.63 K_{ow}$
 $= 84.98$

$\log K_{oc} = 1.92$

TAKE CARE IN APPLYING $f_{oc} \geq 0.1\%$ where $f_{oc} < 0.1\%$.

eg. Borden results: $f_{oc} = 0.02\%$

$$K_d = K_{oc} f_{oc}$$

For Carbon Tetrachloride (CTET) Solubility, $S = 805 \text{ mg/L}$

Using (T14)

$$\begin{aligned} \log K_{oc} &= 3.64 - 0.55 \log S \\ &= 3.64 - 0.55(2.9) = 2.04 \end{aligned}$$

$$K_{oc} = 110 \text{ mg/L mL/g}$$

From calculation $f_{oc} > 0.1\%$

$$K_d = 110(0.0002) = 0.02 \text{ mg/L mL/g}$$

From plume

$$R = 2.42; K_d = 0.213 \text{ mg/L mL/g}$$

1. Estimated value is too low — neglects the significance of the mineral surfaces.
2. Reasonable correspondence.

This table sheds some insight into the f_{oc} contents of typical sands and gravels

TABLE 4.1 Field Studies that Have Yielded Reliable Estimates Of Organic Contaminant Retardation in Sand/Gravel Aquifers

Site Location and Test Type (reference) ^a	Retardation Factors Determined For Listed Contaminants		Organic Carbon Content Of Solids (reference)
	Contaminant	Factor	
Palo Alto, California Forced gradient (1)	Chloroform	2.5-3.8	nr ^b
	Bromoform	8.0	
	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	12.0	
	Chlorobenzene	22.0	
E. Aare, Switzerland River infiltration (2)	Tetrachloroethane	5.0	nr
Gloucester, Ontario Forced gradient (3, 4)	1,4-Dioxane	1.4	0.1-0.25% (4, 5)
	Tetrahydrofuran	2.2	
	Diethyl ether	3.0	
	1,4-Dioxane	1.8	
Plume interpretation (4, 5)	Tetrahydrofuran	2.2	
	Diethyl ether	3.2	
	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	7.8	
	Benzene	8.8	
	Carbon tetrachloride	22.0	
Borden, Ontario Natural gradient (6, 7)	Bromoform	1.9-2.7	0.02% (6, 11)
	Carbon tetrachloride	1.8-2.5	
	Tetrachloroethane	2.7-5.9	
	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	3.9-9.0	
	Hexachloroethane	5.0-7.0	
Moffett Naval Air Station, California Forced gradient (8)	Trichloroethane	6-9	0.11% (8)
	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	1.4-2.0	
Otis Air Force Base, Massachusetts Plume interpretation (9)	Trichloroethane	1.0	0.01-0.75% (9)
	Tetrachloroethane	1.0	
	Dichlorobenzene	1.0-1.1	
	DTBB ^c	2.4-2.6	
	P-Nonylphenol	1.1-2.2	
Rocky Mountain Arsenal, Colorado Forced gradient (10)	Trichloroethane	1-2	0.006% (12)
	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	1-2	

^a References: (1) Roberts et al., 1982; (2) Schwarzenbach et al., 1982; (3) Whiffin and Bahr, 1985; (4) Patterson et al., 1985; (5) Jackson et al., 1985; (6) Mackay et al., 1986; (7) Roberts et al., 1986; (8) Semprini et al., 1987; (9) Barber et al., 1988; (10) Mackay et al., 1988; (11) Ball et al., 1989; (12) Mackay et al., unpublished results.

^b DTBB is 2,6-di-tert-butyl-p-benzoquinone.
^c nr: not reported.

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Source: Mackay, D. Characterization of the Distribution and Behavior of Organic Contaminants in the Subsurface. In Proceedings of a National Research Council Symposium. National Academy Press

Rocky Mtn Arsenal @ $f_{oc} = 0.005\%$
TCE @ $5 \mu\text{g/g}$

$K_d \text{ TCE} = 0.2 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$

$\Rightarrow S \cdot K_d C = 10^{-8} \frac{\text{gms TCE}}{\text{gm solid}}$

$4 = 18$
i.e. f_{oc} from TCE $\approx 10^{-8}$, i.e. no appreciable contribution (in press 1990) of TCE to the organic carbon content.