

Adsorption of Antibiotics on Soils. (A05-kumar103502-Poster)

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Abstract:

Distribution and fate of the antibiotics applied on land through manure application strongly depend upon their inherent properties such as the adsorption coefficient to soil. Linear sorption coefficients (K_d , solid) of three antibiotics namely chlortetracycline, tetracycline and tylosin on two soils (Hubbard sandy loam and Webster clay loam) were determined using the batch experiment. For three antibiotics, K_d , solid for Webster clay loam was higher than for Hubbard sandy loam. The K_d , solid values of Webster clay loam for chlortetracycline, tetracycline, and tylosin were 2386, 2370, and 92 L/kg as compared to 1280, 1147, and 66 L/kg for Hubbard sandy loam. For these antibiotics and soils, the variation was considerably lower when K_d , solid values were normalized for organic carbon (KOC). Breakthrough experiments with Hubbard sandy loam also showed similar differences in the mobility of these three antibiotics. At $C/C_o=0.2$, the retardation coefficient for tylosin was 23 compared to 51 for tetracycline. However for chlortetracycline, C/C_o of 0.2 was not achieved even after 100 pore volumes were passed.

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