

## **APPENDIX A – Geologic Map Descriptions**

Description of geologic map units from Thousand Springs Quadrangle map by Gillerman et al, 2005 Idaho Geological Survey.

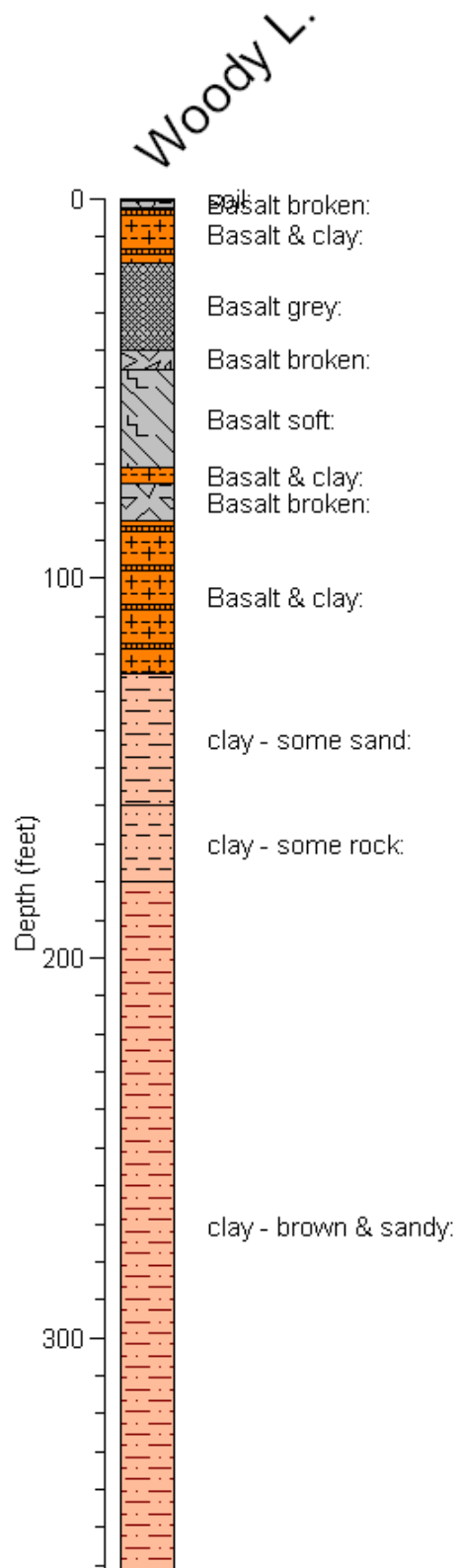
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**Basalt of Gooding Butte (Pleistocene)**—Fine-grained basalt with scattered to abundant plagioclase phenocrysts up to 1 cm in length, and plagioclase-olivine intergrowths up to 1 cm in diameter. Olivine is olive-greenish-brown in color and is mostly clustered. The basalt is diktytaxitic and vesicular with vesicles ranging from small and spherical to large and irregular. Common carbonate filling and coating in voids. Remanent magnetic polarity is normal, as determined in the field and through laboratory analysis. Source is Gooding Butte, located 6 miles northeast of Tuttle. Surface subdued, soil covered and mostly farmed. Outcrops uncommon on upland surface but well exposed in Malad Gorge and on the east bluff of Billingsley Creek valley. Equivalent to Thousand Springs Basalt, Malad Member of Malde and others (1963). Topography contrasts with areas of basalt of Notch Butte and the basalt of Bacon Butte, younger unit. Almost no basalt pressure ridges rise above a nearly complete mantle of loess, except where scoured by Malad River floods. Surface drainage is moderately developed. Thickness of mantle ranges 3-25 feet; commonly 3-12 feet thick. Soil caliche (duripan) is typically well developed within the soil profile (Johnson, 2002) and at the soil-basalt contact, but the thickness of caliche is highly variable. Most of the land is cultivatable.

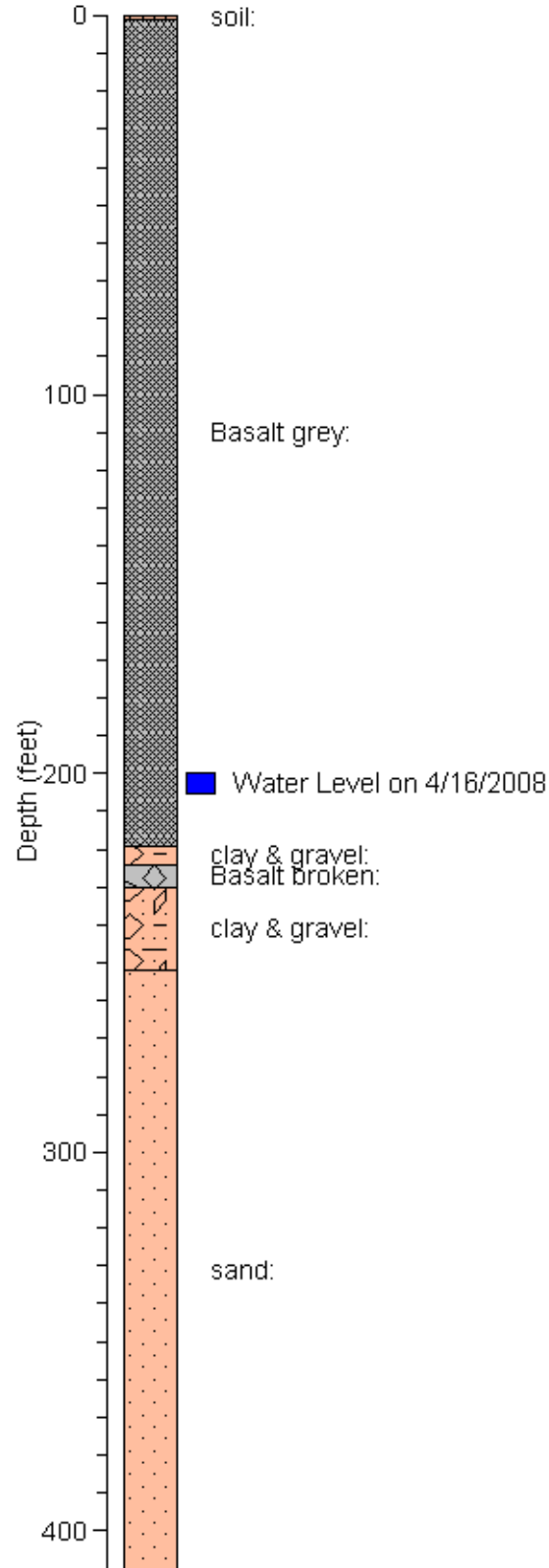
Qma

**Madson Basalt (Pleistocene)**—Fine- to medium-grained, dark gray basalt with very abundant olivine grains and clots up to 4 mm in diameter. Exposed only in Malad Gorge below basalt of Gooding Butte. Equivalent to the Madson Basalt of Malde and Powers (1972). Remanent magnetic polarity is normal, as determined in the field and through laboratory analysis. Tauxe and others (2004) report an  $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$  weighted mean plateau age of 0.404 Ma for this unit (their sample sr12, Madson Basalt). Source undetermined, but Malde (1971) suggests the source was likely to the east. Small area above Billingsley Creek near Johnson Grade mapped as Madson by Covington and Weaver (1990) is more consistent texturally with basalt of Gooding Butte than with Madson, and therefore we include it in the Gooding Butte unit.

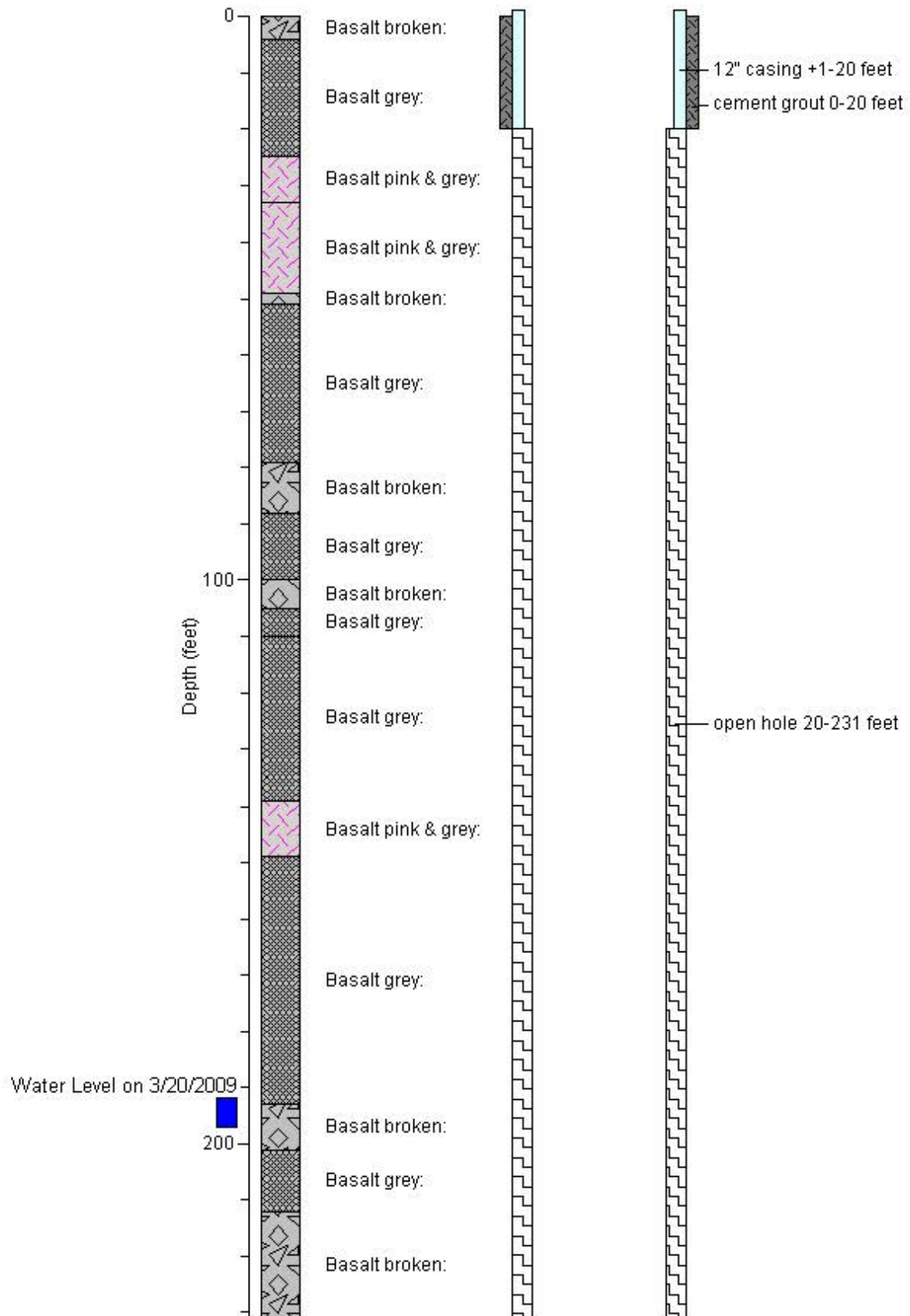
## APPENDIX B – Geologic Well Logs



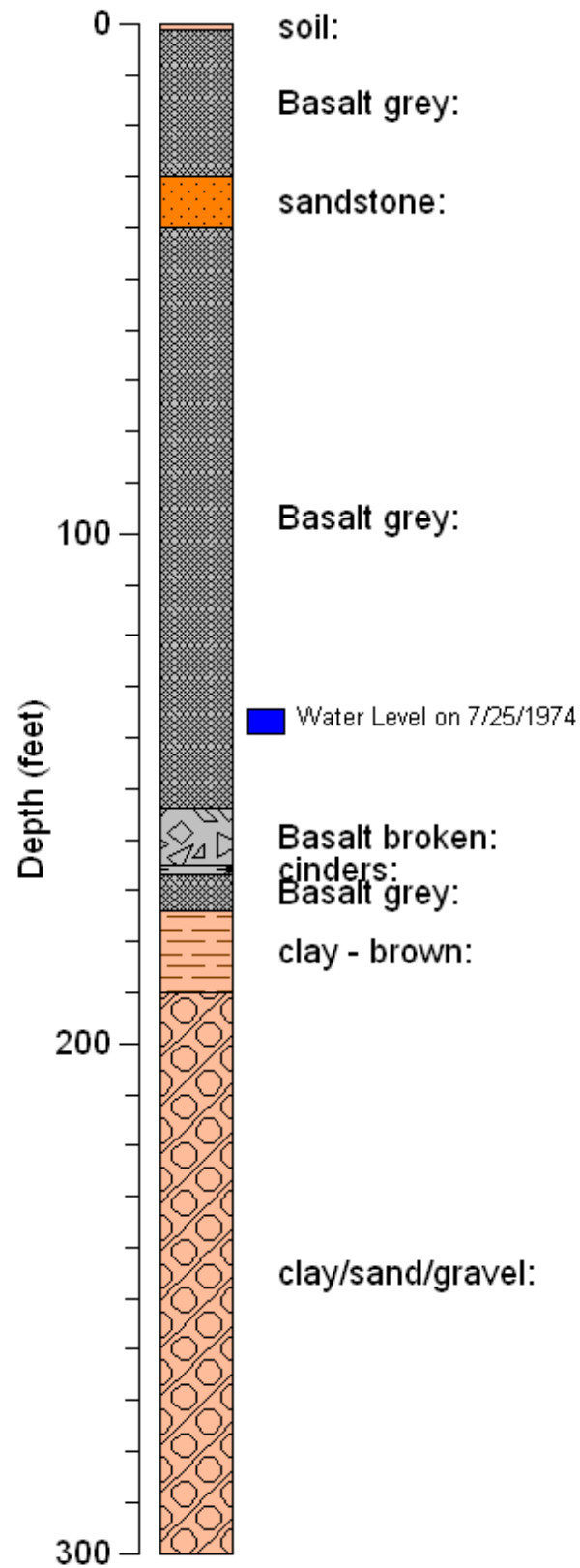
## Malad State Park office well



# Malad State Park picnic area well



# Hooper well



## APPENDIX C – Fluorescein Lab Results

Ozark Underground Laboratory, Inc. for Idaho Dept. of Water Resources

Project Name: Malad Gorge G.W. Trace  
 Samples collected by: Neal Farmer  
 Date Samples Shipped: April 28, 2009  
 Date Samples Rec'd at OUL: April 29, 2009  
 Date Analyzed by OUL: May 1, 4 and 5, 2009

**Table 1. Results for charcoal and water samples analyzed for the presence of fluorescein dye.** Peak wavelengths are reported in nanometers (nm); dye concentrations are reported in parts per billion (ppb). All results are for charcoal unless otherwise indicated.

OUL #	Station #	Station Name	Date/Time Placed	Date/Time Collected	Fluorescein Results	
					Peak	Conc.
S9230	IPCo.Div	Idaho Power Diversion	4/7/09 1030	4/14/09 1030	515.4	70.7
S9231	MG-1	Malad Gorge #1	4/7/09 1100	4/14/09 1120	ND	
S9232	MG-2	Malad Gorge #2	4/7/09 1110	4/14/09 1130	515.5	4.57
S9233	MG-3	Malad Gorge #3	4/7/09 1120	4/14/09 1140	ND	
S9234	MG-4	Malad Gorge #4	4/7/09 1130	4/14/09 1145	ND	
S9235	MG-5	Malad Gorge #5	4/7/09 1140	4/14/09 1155	ND	
S9236	MG-6	Malad Gorge #6	4/7/09 1150	4/14/09 1200	515.3	1.44
S9237	MG-7	Malad Gorge #7	4/7/09 1200	4/14/09 1205	515.9	1,310
S9238	MG-8	Malad Gorge #8	4/7/09 1210	4/14/09 1210	515.9	446
S9239	MG-9	Malad Gorge #9	4/7/09 1220	4/14/09 1215	515.5	35.2
S9240	Laboratory control charcoal blank					
S9241	MG-10	Malad Gorge #10	4/7/09 1230	4/14/09 1225	515.5	216
S9242	MG-11	Malad Gorge #11	4/7/09 1240	4/14/09 1230	ND	
S9312	IPCo.Div	Idaho Power Diversion	Water	4/14/09 1030	ND	
S9313	MG-2	Malad Gorge #2	Water	4/14/09 1130	ND	
S9314	MG-6	Malad Gorge #6	Water	4/14/09 1200	ND	
S9315	MG-7	Malad Gorge #7	Water	4/14/09 1205	510.6 (1)	0.012
S9316	MG-8	Malad Gorge #8	Water	4/14/09 1210	ND	
S9317	MG-9	Malad Gorge #9	Water	4/14/09 1215	ND	
S9333	MG-10	Malad Gorge #10	Water	4/14/09 1225	ND	

**Footnotes:** ND = No dye detected. (1) = A fluorescence peak is present that does not meet all the criteria for this dye. However, it has been calculated as a positive dye result because dye was found in the corresponding charcoal sample.

## **APPENDIX D– Miscellaneous Information**

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#### **A Review of the Toxicity of Twelve Fluorescent Dyes Used for Water Tracing**

*P.L. Smart*

##### **Abstract**

Toxicological information is reviewed for twelve fluorescent dyes used in water tracing, Fluorescent Brightener 28, Tinopal CBS-X, Amino G Acid, Diphenyl Brilliant Flavine 7GFF, Pyranine, Lissamine Yellow FF, Fluorescein, Eosine, Rhodamine WT, Rhodamine B, Sulphorhodamine B and Sulphorhodamine G. Mammalian tests indicate a low level of both acute and chronic toxicity. However, only three tracers could be demonstrated not to provide a carcinogenic or mutagenic hazard. These were Tinopal CBS-X, Fluorescein and Rhodamine WT. Rhodamine B is a known carcinogen and should not be used. In aquatic ecosystems, larval stages of shellfish and algae were the most sensitive. Persistent dye concentrations in tracer studies should not cause problems provided they are below 100 µg/l.

<http://www.caves.org/pub/journal/PDF/V46/v46n2-Smart.htm>

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FLT YELLOW/GREEN LIQUID CONCENTRATE  
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**MSDS PREPARATION INFORMATION**

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DATE PREPARED:	1/01/05

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**PRODUCT INFORMATION**

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MAUFACTURED BY:	KINGSCOTE CHEMICALS 3334 S. TECH BLVD. MIAMISBURG, OHIO 45342
CHEMICAL NAME .....	NOT APPLICABLE
CHEMICAL FORMULA .....	NOT APPLICABLE
CHEMICAL FAMILY .....	AQUEOUS DYE PRODUCT

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**HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS**

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NONE PER 29 CFR 1910.1200

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**PHYSICAL DATA**

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PHYSICAL STATE .....	LIQUID
ODOR AND APPEARANCE .....	YELLOW/GREEN, WITH NO APPARENT ODOR
SPECIFIC GRAVITY .....	APPROXIMATELY 1.05
VAPOR DENSITY (mm Hg @ 25 ° C) .....	~23.75
VAPOR DENSITY (AIR =1) .....	~0.6
EVAPORATION RATE (Butyl Acetate = 1) .....	~1.8
BOILING POINT .....	100 degrees C (212 degrees F)
FREEZING POINT .....	0 degrees C (32 degrees F)
pH .....	8.0 OR ABOVE
SOLUBILITY IN WATER .....	HIGHLY SOLUBLE

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**FIRE HAZARD**

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CONDITION OF FLAMMABILITY .....	NON-FLAMABLE
MEANS OF EXTINCTION .....	WATER FOG, CARBON DIOXIDE, OR DRY CHEMICAL
FLASH POINT AND METHOD .....	NOT APPLICABLE
UPPER FLAMABLE LIMIT .....	NOT APPLICABLE
LOWER FLAMABLE LIMIT .....	NOT APPLICABLE
AUTO-IGNITION TEMPERATURE .....	NOT APPLICABLE
HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS .....	NOT APPLICABLE
UNUSUAL FIRE HAZARD .....	NOT APPLICABLE

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**EXPLOSION HAZARD**

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SENSITIVITY TO STATIC DISCHARGE ..... NOT APPLICABLE  
SENSITIVITY TO MECHANICAL IMPACT ..... NOT APPLICABLE

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**REACTIVITY DATA**

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PRODUCT STABILITY ..... STABLE  
PRODUCT INCOMPATIBILITY ..... NONE KNOWN  
CONDITIONS OF REACTIVITY ..... NOT APPLICABLE  
HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS ..... NONE KNOWN

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**TOXICOLOGICAL PROPERTIES**

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SYMPTOMS OF OVER EXPOSURE FOR EACH POTENTIAL ROUTE OF ENTRY:

INHALLATION, ACUTE ..... NO HARMFUL EFFECTS EXPECTED.  
INHALATION, CHRONIC ..... NO HARMFUL EFFECTS EXPECTED.  
SKIN CONTACT ..... WILL TEMPORARILY GIVE SKIN A YELLOW/GREEN COLOR.  
EYE CONTACT ..... NO HARMFUL EFFECTS EXPECTED.  
INGESTION ..... URINE MAY BE A YELLOW/GREEN COLOR UNTIL THE DYE  
HAS BEEN WASHED THROUGH THE SYSTEM.  
EFFECTS OF ACUTE EXPOSURE ..... NO HARMFUL EFFECTS EXPECTED  
EFFECTS OF CHRONIC EXPOSURE ..... NO HARMFUL EFFECTS EXPECTED  
THRESHOLD OF LIMIT VALUE ..... NOT APPLICABLE  
CARCINOGENICITY ..... NOT LISTED AS A KNOWN OR SUSPECTED CARCINOGEN BY  
IARC, NTP OR OSHA.  
TERATOGENICITY ..... NONE KNOWN  
TOXICOLOGY SYNERGISTIC PRODUCTS ..... NONE KNOWN

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**PREVENTATIVE MEASURES**

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PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT  
GLOVES ..... RUBBER  
RESPIRATORY ..... USE NIOSH APPROVED DUST MASK IF DUSTY CONDITIONS  
EXIST.  
CLOTHING ..... PROTECTIVE CLOTHING SHOULD BE WORN WHERE  
CONTACT IS UNAVOIDABLE.  
OTHER ..... HAVE ACCESS TO EMERGENCY EYEWASH.

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**PREVENTATIVE MEASURES (CONT.)**

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ENGINEERING CONTROLS .....	NOT NECESSARY UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS, USE LOCAL VENTILATION IF DUSTY CONDITIONS EXIST.
SPILL OR LEAK RESPONSE .....	CLEAN UP SPILLS IMMEDIATELY, PREVENT FROM ENTERING DRAIN. USE ABSORBANTS AND PLACE ALL SPILL MATERIALS IN WASTE DISPOSAL CONTAINER. FLUSH AFFECTED AREA WITH WATER.
WASTE DISPOSAL .....	INCINERATE OR REMOVE TO A SUITABLE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SITE, DISPOSE OF ALL WASTES IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL REGULATIONS.
HANDELING PROCEDURES AND EQUIPMENT .....	NO SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS.
STORAGE REQUIREMENTS .....	STORE AT ROOM TEMPERATURE BUT ABOVE THE FREEZING POINT OF WATER.
SHIPPING INFORMATION .....	KEEP FROM FREEZING

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**FIRST AID MEASURES**

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**FIRST AID EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

EYE CONTACT .....	FLUSH EYES WITH WATER FOR AT LEAST 15 MINUTES. GET MEDICAL ATTENTION IF IRRITATION PERSISTS.
SKIN CONTACT .....	WASH SKIN THOROUGHLY WITH SOAP AND WATER. GET MEDICAL ATTENTION IF IRRITATION DEVELOPS.
INHALATION .....	IF DUST IS INHALED, MOVE TO FRESH AIR. IF BREATHING IS DIFFICULT GIVE OXYGEN AND GET IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION.
INGESTION .....	DRINK PLENTY OF WATER AND INDUCE VOMITING. GET MEDICAL ATTENTION IF LARGE QUANTITIES WERE INGESTED OR IF NAUSEA OCCURS. NEVER GIVE FLUIDS OR INDUCE VOMITING IF THE PERSON IS UNCONSCIOUS OR HAS CONVULSIONS.

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**SPECIAL NOTICE**

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CHEMICAL FAMILY ..... XANTHENE DYE FORM

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**HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS**

DESCRIPTION	%	T.L.V.	C.A.S. #
TRIMELLITIC ACID	3.0	NONE	528-44-9
	<u>LD/50, SPECIES</u>		<u>LC/50, SPECIES</u>
ORAL (MOUSE)	2500 MG/KG		NONE AVAILABLE
DERMAL (RABBIT)	NOT AVAILABLE		NOT AVAILABLE

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**PHYSICAL DATA**

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PHYSICAL STATE ..... LIQUID  
ODOR AND APPEARANCE ..... DARK RED LIQUID WITH MILD ODOR  
SPECIFIC GRAVITY ..... ~1.15  
VAPOR DENSITY (mm Hg @ 25 ° C) ..... NOT APPLICABLE  
VAPOR DENSITY (AIR =1) ..... NOT APPLICABLE  
EVAPORATION RATE (Butyl Acetate = 1) ..... NOT APPLICABLE  
BOILING POINT ..... ~ 100 degrees. C (212 degrees. F)  
FREEZING POINT ..... ~ 10 degrees C (14 degrees F)  
pH ..... 10.4 TO 10.8  
SOLUBILITY IN WATER ..... VERY SOLUBLE

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**FIRE HAZARD**

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CONDITION OF FLAMMABILITY ..... NON-FLAMABLE  
MEANS OF EXTINCTION ..... WATER FOG, CARBON DIOXIDE, DRY CHEMICAL, WEAR SCBA  
FLASH POINT AND METHOD ..... NOT APPLICABLE  
UPPER FLAMABLE LIMIT ..... NOT APPLICABLE  
LOWER FLAMABLE LIMIT ..... NOT APPLICABLE  
AUTO-IGNITION TEMPERATURE ..... NOT APPLICABLE  
HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS ..... BURNING MAY PRODUCE OXIDES OF CARBON & NITROGEN  
UNUSUAL FIRE HAZARD ..... NOT APPLICABLE

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**EXPLOSION HAZARD**

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SENSITIVITY TO STATIC DISCHARGE ..... NOT APPLICABLE  
SENSITIVITY TO MECHANICAL IMPACT ..... NOT APPLICABLE

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**REACTIVITY DATA**

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PRODUCT STABILITY ..... STABLE  
PRODUCT INCOMPATIBILITY ..... DO NOT MIX WITH ACIDS  
CONDITIONS OF REACTIVITY ..... NOT APPLICABLE  
HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS ..... SEE HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS

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**TOXICOLOGICAL PROPERTIES**

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SYMPTOMS OF OVER EXPOSURE FOR EACH POTENTIAL ROUTE OF ENTRY:

INHALLATION, ACUTE ..... TRIMELLITIC ACID MAY CAUSE IRRITATION  
INHALLATION, CHRONIC ..... NOT KNOWN  
SKIN CONTACT ..... MAY BE IRRITATING TO THE SKIN. WILL CAUSE  
TEMPORARY STAINING OF THE SKIN ON CONTACT.  
EYE CONTACT ..... MAY CAUSE IRRITATION  
INGESTION ..... URINE MAY BE A RED COLOR UNTIL THE DYE HAS BEEN  
WASHED THROUGH THE SYSTEM.  
EFFECTS OF ACUTE EXPOSURE ..... DIRECT CONTACT MAY CAUSE IRRITATION TO THE EYES,  
SKIN, AND RESPIRATORY TRACT.  
EFFECTS OF CHRONIC EXPOSURE ..... NOT KNOWN  
THRESHOLD OF LIMIT VALUE ..... NOT APPLICABLE  
CARCINOGENICITY ..... NOT LISTED AS A KNOWN OR SUSPECTED CARCINOGEN BY  
IARC, NTP OR OSHA.  
TERATOGENICITY ..... NONE KNOWN  
MUTAGENICITY ..... CONFLICTING EVIDENCE AS TO MUTAGENICITY OF THE  
DYE CONTAINED IN THIS PRODUCT.  
TOXICOLOGY SYNERGISTIC PRODUCTS ..... NONE KNOWN

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**REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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SARA SECTION 303: ..... NONE FOUND  
SARA (311, 312) HAZARD CLASS: ..... IMMEDIATE HEALTH HAZARD  
SARA (313) REPORTABLE CHEMICAL (%): ..... NONE  
METAL CONTENT: ..... THIS PRODUCT IS NOT A METALLIZED DYE  
TSCS INVENTORY STATUS ..... ALL COMPONENTS ARE INCLUDED ON TSCA SECTION 8  
CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65 CHEMICALS: ..... NONE  
TSCA SECTION 12 (B) EXPORT REGULATIONS: ..... NOT SUBJECT TO TSCA 12 (b) EXPORT REGULATION

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**ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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ECOTOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION: ..... LC50: >320 mg/L RAINBOW TROUT (96 Hour)  
LC50: 170 mg/L DAPHINA MAGNA

NO DEVELOPMENTAL ABNORMALITIES OR TOXICITY TO OYSTER LARVAE AT 100 mg/L

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**PREVENTATIVE MEASURES**

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PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

GLOVES .....	RUBBER
RESPIRATORY .....	NONE REQUIRED UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS
EYE PROTECTION .....	GOGGLES
CLOTHING .....	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING SHOULD BE WORN WHERE CONTACT IS UNAVOIDABLE.
OTHER .....	HAVE ACCESS TO EMERGENCY EYEWASH.
ENGINEERING CONTROLS .....	NOT NECESSARY UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS USE LOCAL VENTILATION IF DUSTY CONDITIONS EXIST.
SPILL OR LEAK RESPONSE .....	CONTAIN AND CLEAN UP SPILL IMMEDIATELY. PREVENT FROM ENTERING FLOOR DRAINS. SWEEP POWDERS AND PLACE IN WASTE DISPOSAL CONTAINER, FLUSH AFFECTED AREA WITH WATER.
WASTE DISPOSAL .....	INCINERATE OR REMOVE TO A SUITABLE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SITE, DISPOSE OF ALL WASTES IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL REGULATIONS.
HANDELING PROCEDURES AND EQUIPMENT .....	NO SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS.
STORAGE REQUIREMENTS .....	STORE AT ROOM TEMPERATURE BUT ABOVE THE FREEZING POINT OF WATER
SHIPPING INFORMATION .....	KEEP FROM FREEZING

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Division of Kingscote Chemicals

## WATER TRACING DYE FLT YELLOW/GREEN PRODUCTS

### TECHNICAL DATA BULLETIN

Bright Dyes Yellow/Green products are specially formulated versions of Xanthene dye, certified by NSF International to ANSI/NSF Standard 60 for use in drinking water. This dye is the traditional fluorescent water tracing and leak detection material and has been used for labeling studies from the beginning of the century. It may be detected visually, by UV light and by appropriate fluorometric equipment. Today it is most often used visually. This dye has been used by the military to mark downed pilots for search and rescue operations over large water bodies. Visually the dye appears yellow/green, depending on its concentration and under UV light as lime green.

Based on biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) studies, the dye is biodegradable with 65% of the available oxygen consumed in 7 days. The dye is resistant to absorption on most suspended matter in fresh and salt water. However, compared to Bright Dyes FWT Red products it is significantly less resistant to degradation by sunlight and when used in fluorometry, stands out much less clearly against background fluorescence. As always the suitability of these products for any specific application should be evaluated by a qualified hydrologist or other industry professional.

General Properties	Tablets	Liquids	Powders
Detectability of active ingredient <sup>1</sup>	Visual <100 ppb	Visual <100 ppb	Visual <100 ppb
Maximum absorbance wavelength <sup>2</sup>	490/520 nm	490/520 nm	490/520 nm
Appearance	Orange convex 1.6cm diameter	Reddish, brown aqueous solution	Orange fine powder
NSF (Max use level in potable water)	6.0 ppb	10.0 ppb	1.0 ppb
Weight	1.35 gms $\pm$ 0.05		
Dissolution Time <sup>3</sup>	50% < 3 minutes 95% < 6 minutes		50% < 3 minutes 95% < 6 minutes
Specific Gravity		1.05 $\pm$ 0.05 @ 25° C	
Viscosity <sup>4</sup>		1.8 cps	
pH		8.5 $\pm$ 0.5 @ 25° C	

Coverage of Products	One Tablet	One Pint Liquid	One Pound Powder
Light Visual	605 gallons	125,000 gallons	1,200,000 gallons
Strong Visual	60 gallons	12,500 gallons	120,000 gallons

Caution: These products may cause irritation and/or staining if allowed to come in contact with the skin. The use of gloves and goggles is recommended when handling this product, as with any other dye or chemical.

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<sup>1</sup> In deionized water in 100 ml flask. Actual detectability and coverage in the field will vary with specific water conditions.

<sup>2</sup> No significant change in fluorescence between 6 and 11 pH.

<sup>3</sup> (One tablet, 1 gram of powder), in flowing deionized water in a 10 gallon tank.

<sup>4</sup> Measured on a Brookfield viscometer, Model LV, UL adapter, 60 rpm @ 25° C.

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## WATER TRACING DYE FWT RED PRODUCTS

### TECHNICAL DATA BULLETIN

Bright Dyes FWT Red products are specially formulated versions of Rhodamine WT dye for convenient use in water tracing and leak detection studies. This bright, fluorescent red dye is certified by NSF International to ANSI/NSF Standard 60 for use in drinking water. It may be detected visually, by ultraviolet light and by appropriate fluorometric equipment. Today it is most often used visually. Visually the dye appears bright pink to red, depending on its concentration and under ultraviolet light as bright orange.

The dye is resistant to absorption on most suspended matter in fresh and salt water. Compared to Bright Dyes FLT Yellow/Green products it is significantly more resistant to degradation by sunlight and when used in fluorometry, stands out much more clearly against background fluorescence. As always the use and suitability of these products for any specific application should be evaluated by a qualified hydrologist or other industry professional.

General Properties	Tablets	FWT Red 25 Liquid	Powders
Detectability of active ingredient <sup>1</sup>	Visual <100 ppb	Visual <100 ppb	Visual <100 ppb
Maximum absorbance wavelength <sup>2</sup>	550/588 nm	550/588 nm	550/588 nm
Appearance	Dark red convex 1.6cm diameter	Clear dark red aqueous solution	Dark red fine powder
NSF (Max use level in potable water)	0.3 ppb	0.8 ppb	0.1 ppb
Weight	1.05 gms ± 0.05		
Dissolution Time <sup>3</sup>	50% < 3 minutes 95% < 6 minutes		50% < 3 minutes 95% < 6 minutes
Specific Gravity		1.03 ± 0.05 @ 25° C	
Viscosity <sup>4</sup>		1.3 cps	
pH		8.7 ± 0.5 @ 25° C	

Coverage of Products	One Tablet	One Pint Liquid	One Pound Powder
Light Visual	604 gallons	31,250 gallons	604,000 gallons
Strong Visual	60 gallons	3,125 gallons	60,400 gallons

Caution: These products may cause irritation and/or staining if allowed to come in contact with the skin. The use of gloves and goggles is recommended when handling this product, as with any other dye or chemical.

To our best knowledge the information and recommendations contained herein are accurate and reliable. However, this information and our recommendations are furnished without warranty, representation, inducement, or license of any kind, including, but not limited to the implied warranties and fitness for a particular use or purpose. Customers are encouraged to conduct their own tests and to read the material safety data sheet carefully before using.

<sup>1</sup> In deionized water in 100 ml flask. Actual detectability and coverage in the field will vary with specific water conditions.

<sup>2</sup> No significant change in fluorescence between 6 and 11 pH.

<sup>3</sup> (One tablet, 1 gram of powder), in flowing deionized water in a 10 gallon tank.

<sup>4</sup> Measured on a Brookfield viscometer, Model LV, UL adapter, 60 rpm @ 25° C.

## **Rhodamine WT Reader**

### **Readings on the Reactivity and Transport Characteristics of This Tracer**

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- The standards established by the Environmental Protection Agency in the Federal Register (Vol. 63, No. 40) state the maximum Rhodamine WT concentrations to be 10 micrograms per liter for water entering a drinking water plant (prior to treatment and distribution) and 0.1 micrograms per liter in drinking water. The US Geological Survey provides the regulatory standard references for information purposes ONLY. This information was obtained in August of 2004.

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Sensient Corporation

[http://www.sensient-tech.com/solutions/industrial\\_colors.htm](http://www.sensient-tech.com/solutions/industrial_colors.htm)

800- 558-9892

Keystone Corporation

<http://www.dyes.com/>

800-522-4dye

##### *Fluorometers*

Seapoint Sensors, Inc

<http://www.seapoint.com/srf.htm>

603-642-4921

Turner Designs

<http://turnerdesigns.com>

877-316-8049

Opti-Sciences

<http://www.optisci.com/ps.htm>

603-883-4400

YSI Inc.

Model 6130 Rhodamine WT Sensor

<http://216.68.81.171/852568CB0010F86A/web+by+document+type/CF82E634926142FB85256AF8005E9FCF?Open>

800-897-4151

*International Chemical Safety Cards*

<http://www.itcilo.it/english/actrav/telearn/osh/ic/37299898.htm>

<http://www.inchem.org/documents/icsc/icsc/eics0325.htm>

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# Fluorescein

### INTRODUCTION

Fluorescein was the first fluorescent dye used for water tracing work<sup>1</sup> and is still used for qualitative (visual) studies of underground contamination of wells. In recent years, Rhodamine WT has almost completely replaced fluorescein for flow measurements<sup>2</sup> and circulation, dispersion, and plume studies<sup>3</sup>. Nonetheless, fluorescein has a role in such studies, and can be used for masking, hydraulic model studies, and underground water studies.

### ADVANTAGES

Fluorescein has the following advantages over other tracer dyes:

- ◆ Its low sorption rate is far better than Rhodamine B, and comparable to Rhodamine WT.
- ◆ It has a temperature coefficient of only -0.36% per degree C, about one-eighth of the temperature coefficient of rhodamine dyes<sup>2,4</sup>.
- ◆ It emits a brilliant green fluorescence, which gives an excellent visual or photographic contrast against the backgrounds normally encountered in water transport studies. Therefore it is easy to visualize the progress of an experiment.
- ◆ It is more aesthetic than the red dyes. This is psychologically important, especially in ocean areas subject to the blooms of certain dinoflagellates, called "red tides." Less public resistance will be encountered using a dye that does not resemble red tide<sup>5</sup>.

### DISADVANTAGES

Fluorescein has been replaced by other dyes, principally Rhodamine WT, for the following reasons:

- ◆ It is rapidly destroyed by sunlight. Reference 4 reports that a 50% loss occurred in three hours of sunlight exposure, with dye being held in an Erlenmeyer flask. Other tests in an flat, uncovered Pyrex dish showed an almost complete destruction in two hours<sup>6</sup>.
- ◆ Many naturally occurring fluorescent materials have similar characteristics and thus interfere with measurement. When carefully chosen optical filters are used, the situation is better than that reported in Reference 4, but higher concentrations are required to overcome the effect of higher and more variable "blank" fluorescence.
- ◆ Fluorescein is more pH-sensitive than rhodamine dyes. Fluorescence drops very sharply at pH values below 5.5. For optimum results, pH should be between 6 and 10.

### MASKING TECHNIQUES

In river, harbor, and ocean tests, fluorescein can be used to mask the objectionable color of the rhodamine dyes. Tests show that Fluorescein is an effective mask, subject to the following conditions<sup>6</sup>:

- ◆ The concentration of fluorescein should be at least five times that of the active ingredients in the Rhodamine B or Rhodamine WT concentrate.
- ◆ Where the receiving water is shallow, clear, and in full sunlight, the dyes must be dispersed quite rapidly. With slow dispersion, the photosensitive fluorescein will be destroyed before the masking effect is complete.
- ◆ Masking is subjective. Lower (hence less costly) amounts of fluorescein may be effective, depending on water clarity, bottom color, wave action, etc. Small scale addition of the mixed dyes to the receiving water should be made in advance

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of a large scale test. This test should be made on a bright sunny day, if possible.

- ◆ Note that fluorescein is not the ingredient measured. The optical filter and light source in the fluorometer read only rhodamine dye<sup>7</sup>.

### HYDRAULIC MODEL STUDIES

Fluorescein may be used in hydraulic model studies in exactly the same way that Rhodamine WT is used (See Refs. 2 and 3 for details).

The major advantage of using fluorescein is its visibility; the green color can be seen as the test proceeds. The major disadvantage is fluorescein's light sensitivity. It can be destroyed by light entering the test area, both from windows and from indoor lights, especially fluorescent ones.

Containers used for dye destruction tests must be transparent to light at shorter wavelengths. Clear borosilicate glass baking pans are handy, since they transmit light at shorter wavelengths than window glass or the glass envelopes of fluorescent lamps.

Test samples must be at low concentrations (around 0.2 PPM) so that the fluorescein in the bottom of the pan is not protected from the incident light by absorption of the fluorescein in the top of the pan.

In certain cases, deliberate destruction of the fluorescein by sunlight may be a convenience instead of a problem. Hydraulic models often recycle water. With the very stable Rhodamine WT, the concentration of dye in the entire system will build up over a sequence of several tests, requiring replacement of the water. If a shallow holding tank can be placed outdoors, the degradation of fluorescein by sunlight may eliminate the need to replace the water.

### UNDERGROUND WATER STUDIES

Fluorescein can be used quantitatively for underground tests, subject to limitations imposed by the higher background of naturally occurring fluorescent materials.

An advantage of fluorescein in underground studies is its light sensitivity. Should it reach an

open receiving body of water, the color will be less of a problem because it will disappear rapidly in the sunlight.

### FILTER AND LIGHT SOURCE SELECTION

Using fluorescein, the following light sources and filters are recommended (referenced part numbers are specific to Turner Designs products):

	10-AU-005
Optical Kit	10-086 (Lamp and all filters are included in this kit.)
Light Source	10-089 Blue Lamp
Reference	10-063
Excitation	10-105
Emission	10-109R-C

We have found that background fluorescence can be very high in natural systems with the fluorescein setup. In most cases, this background should be adequately suppressed using the 10-AU fluorometer. If, however, background cannot be suppressed, a mask (attenuator) may be added to the excitation filter holder to reduce its diameter and the amount of light scatter. Attenuation by a factor of 5 can be obtained with the 10-318R Attenuator Plate.

Fluorescein, known as "Acid Yellow 73", "Acid Yellow T", "DNC Yellow 7", etc., can be obtained from the following sources (addresses checked and confirmed June 1996):

Pylam Products Company, Inc. 1001 Stewart Avenue Garden City, NY 11530 516/222-1750	Tricon Colors, Inc. 16 Leliarts Lane Elmwood Park, NJ 07407 201/794-3800
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### LISSAMINE FF

The properties of uses of Lissamine FF are reported in Reference 9. Its spectral characteristics are similar to those of fluorescein, but it does not decompose as rapidly in sunlight. Use the fluorescein filters detailed above with Lissamine FF. Pylam Products (address shown above) offers

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Lissamine FF as "Brilliant Acid Yellow 8G" or "Brilliant Sulphoflavine FFA".

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