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Dear Dr Bayliss,

ICI 63197 - USE AS AN EMETIC IN PARAQUAT FORMULATIONS

As you probably know, Plant Protection have been casting around trying to find ways of stopping paraquat causing accidental deaths. A suggestion rooted some time ago was to incorporate an emetic in the formulation. At that time most emetics were either ineffective or expensive, but I believe that ICI 63197 is very effective. Can you tell me a bit about its properties and your views on its addition to commercial paraquat formulations. My own feeling is, it is probably too expensive, but I may well be wrong.

On a slightly different aspect, can you tell me how you test for emetic effect. It is not a test we have required until now and I would be grateful to know.

Yours sincerely,

K Fletcher