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LC₅₀: How Much is Too Much? Lab Activity

Aligned With All Published National Standards



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* The Dimension I practices listed below are called out as **bold** words throughout the activity.

Science and Engineering Practices

Asking questions (for science) and defining Use mathematics and computational thinking × X problems (for engineering) Constructing explanations (for science) and Developing and using models X X designing solutions (for engineering) X Planning and carrying out investigations × Engaging in argument from evidence Obtaining, evaluating, and communicating X Analyzing and interpreting data × information

DIMENSION 2Cross Cutting
Concepts

Patterns
 Energy and matter:
 Flows, cycles, and conservation
 Cause and effect:
 Mechanism and explanation
 Scale, proportion, and quantity
 Systems and system models

Energy and matter:
 Flows, cycles, and conservation
 Structure and function
 X
 Stability and change
 X
 Systems and system models

DIMENSION 3

Core

Concepts

Discipline	Core Idea Focus
Physical Science	PS1: Matter and Its Interactions
Earth and Space Science	ESS3: Earth and Human Activity

✗ Indicates standards covered in activity

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NGSS STANDARDS

Middle School Standards Covered	High School Standards Covered
MS.PS1-1: Develop models to describe the atomic composition of simple molecules and extended structures.	HS.PS1-5: Apply scientific principles and evidence to provide an explanation about the effects of changing the temperature or concentration of the reacting particles on the rate at which a reaction occurs.
MS.ESS3-3: Apply scientific principles to design a method for monitoring and minimizing a human impact on the environment.	HS.ESS3-4: Evaluate or refine a technological solution that reduces impacts of human activities on natural systems.

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standards and learning objectives

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Content Standards (K-12)			
×	Systems, order, and organization		Evolution and equilibrium
×	Evidence, models, and explanation		Form and Function
×	Constancy, change, and measurement		

Р	hysical Science Standards Middle School		Physical Science Standards High School
×	Properties and Changes of Properties in Matter	×	Structure and Properties of Matter
		×	Chemical Reactions
Sc	cience in Personal and Social Perspectives Standards Middle School		Science in Personal and Social Perspectives Standards High School
×	Populations, resources, and environments	×	Natural Resources
×	Risks and benefits	×	Environmental quality
		×	Natural and human-induced hazards

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benchmarks for science literacy (AAAS, © 1993)

1. The Nature of Science	1B: Scientific Inquiry	
4. The Physical Setting	4B: The Earth	
5. The Living Environment	5A: Diversity of Life	
111 Common Themes	11A: Systems	
	11C: Constancy and Change	

activity objectives:

- Study the effect of various concentrations of copper sulfate on Daphnia.
- Observe how healthy Daphnia will glow under UV light after being fed a fluorescently-tagged sugar, while unhealthy Daphnia will not glow.
- Predict the lethal concentration to cause 50% mortality and determine the LC₅₀ value.

time requirement:

45 minutes