The Pollution of Zeytinburnu Port, Istanbul, Turkey

İstanbul, Zeytinburnu Limanındaki Kirlilik Durumu

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Abstract
The pollutants of sediment of Zeytinburnu Port were determined. The pollutant amounts were found high for organic as oil (3.8 mg/g), chlorined pestisides (9.55 mg/g), phenol and anorganic as Zinc, hydrogen sulphide, ammonium, nitrite, nitrate. The degradation products of DDT were determined as DDE and DDD. According to these results Zeytinburnu Port is a highly polluted area.

Keyword: Pollution, Zeytinburnu Port

Introduction
Zeytinburnu is a small port of Istanbul. It has small export and import activities. Many pollutants come from ships, industrial and urban waste into this port which is transported by the streams of Çirpici and Ayvalı. The pollutants in seawater and sediments were investigated as minerals (Balkı and Çağatay, 2001), oils (Singh et al., 1993; Güven et al., 1996), pestisides (Law and Dobson, 1998; Quensen et al., 1998; Bajet et al., 1999; Barlas, 1999). There is no seawage treatment system on the streams of Çirpici and Ayvalı. Land - based pollutants such as ammonium, nitrite, nitrate,
sulphate, hydrogen sulphide, fluorur, chloride and total organic carbon, pestisides, oil and pollutants based from sea are to be investigated in the harbour area.

In this work the pollutants are determined in sediment of Zeytinburnu port.

**Material and Methods**

The sediment sample was taken from the Zeytinburnu Port on 04 Feb. 2003. The map of this area is shown in Fig.1.

The determined – matrix groups and applied methods are as follows.

Metals ; AAS, Halogened solvents ; HP 6890 GC/MS, Oil and gress ; DİN, Ammonium ; Titrimetric, Nitrite ; Nitrate ; Detergents ; Phenol ; Cyanide ; Standard Methods 1995, Sulfate ; Gravimetric, Hydrogene sulphide ; iodimetric, Fluoride ; UDR 2000 Spectrophotometric, Chloride ; Argentiometric, pH ; pH meter, TOC ; Walkey – Blake, Pesticides ; HP 6890 GC/ECD, Petroleum hydrocarbons ; UVF (Shimadzu RF – 1501).

**Standard curve equations of the pollutants determined are :**

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\begin{align*}
\text{Pb} & : \text{Abs} = 0.0742 \text{Conc} + 0.00478 \quad r^2 = 0.99991 \\
\text{Cu} & : \text{Abs} = 0.0876 \text{Conc} - 0.00537 \quad r^2 = 0.99927 \\
\text{Zn} & : \text{Abs} = 0.199 \text{Conc} - 0.00197 \quad r^2 = 0.99986 \\
\text{Ni} & : \text{Abs} = 0.0422 \text{Conc} - 0.0075 \quad r^2 = 0.99980 \\
\text{Cr} & : \text{Abs} = 0.0125 \text{Conc} \quad r^2 = 0.99915 \\
\text{Cd} & : \text{Abs} = 0.130 \text{Conc} + 0.00353 \quad r^2 = 0.99967 \\
\text{Hg} & : \text{Abs} = 0.0152 \text{Conc} \quad r^2 = 0.99987 \\
\text{As} & : \text{Abs} = 0.0447 \text{Conc} + 0.0650 \quad r^2 = 1.00000 \\
\text{Nitrite} & : \text{Abs} = 0.6135 \text{Conc} \quad r^2 = 0.9671 \\
\text{Nitrate} & : \text{Abs} = 0.0071 \text{Conc} \quad r^2 = 0.9303 \\
\text{Cyanide} & : \text{Abs} = 1.3994 \text{Conc} + 0.052 \quad r^2 = 0.9995 \\
\text{Grease and oil: Response} & = 5.12e+005 \text{Conc} + 1.46e+005 \quad r^2 = 0.991 \\
\text{Phenol} & : \text{Abs} = 0.0159 \text{Conc} - 0.0475 \quad r^2 = 0.9964
\end{align*}
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Halogened solvents: \( \text{Response} = 1.86 \times 10^6 \ \text{Conc} \div 3.76 \times 10^5 \)
\( r^2 = 0.992 \)

Petroleum hydrocarbon,

From Russian oil equation: \( \text{Abs} = 293.37 \times c + 105.60 \)
\( r^2 = 0.960 \)

Fig. 1. The map of Zeytinburnu port
**Results and Discussion**

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<td>Nitrite</td>
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<td>Chlorinated Pesticides</td>
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(The chromatogram in Fig.3).

- DDE : 0.93 ng/g
- DDD : 0.76 ng/g
- Heptachlor : 0.78 ng/g
- Chlordane : 0.22 ng/g
- Methoxychlor : 1.32 ng/g
- Cypermethrin : 5.54 ng/g

Oil soluble substances : 200 µg/g
Petroleum hydrocarbons : 3.804 mg/g

The numerous studies have been published on the heavy metal levels in sediment samples of the Marmara Sea (Çağatay et al., 1996; Algan et al., 1997, 1999a, 1999b; Balkis et al., 1999; Balkis and Çağatay 2001).

The metal contents with exception Zinc in Zeytinburnu Harbour were found below shale average (Wedepohl, 1960; Krauskopf,
1979). The high Zinc concentrations suggest the anthropogenic inputs in this region.

Fluoride which is used in dental health coming from the seawage of the city into seawater has been the subject of discussion.

The origins of ammonia, nitrite and nitrate in the sea are from human, animal, bacterial, plant fertilizers and also urban discharge. The ammonia is decomposed to nitrite and nitrate. They indicate the pollution in sea. Nitrate amount varied in coastal water during the season. High level of ammonium, nitrite and nitrate were found in sediment of the port.

Cyanide comes into sea from industrial waste water. It is not found in the sample of sediment.

Sulphate is found in this area in usual concentrations.

Hydrogen sulphide is a high toxic compound. It is a potent inhibitor of aerobic respiration and produced in sediment and also from seawage. The amount of hydrogen sulphide in the Zeytinburnu port was 172.04 µg/g.

Phenols are organic contaminants. They are substances with hydroxy group attached to benzene or aromatic nucleus. Phenol is a carcinogen promoter and toxic chemical. Phenol in this area was 0.47 µg/g showed, the pollution in marine system.

Chlorinated pesticide, DDT was widely used in the second World War all over the world. It has been restricted in many countries since 1972, but it still continues in use.

DDT was detected in the water of rainfall (Ohio), surface water (USA), estuary (California) and atmosphere as vapour and solid form (Jorgensen and Johnsen, 1981). Humic type particule adsorbes DDT at high level and sorbed DDT was found in marine environment.

DDT (1,1,1. – trichloro- 2,2 bis (p – chlorophenyl) ethane) was degraded by various microorganisms in aerobic and anaerobic conditions as (Fries, 1972).
Fig. 2. The chromatogram of chlorinated pesticides standard.
DDD: 1.1. – dichloro – 2,2 bis (p – chlorophenyl) ethane
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DDMU: 1 – chloro – 2,2 bis (p – chlorophenyl) ethylene
DDOH: 1.1 – bis (p – chlorophenyl) ethane 2 ol.
DDA: bis (p – chlorophenyl ) acetate acid
DPM: p, p' – dichloro di phenyl methane
DBH: p, p' – dichlorobenzen hydrol
DBP: p, p' – dichlorophenolphthallone

These degradations are due to reductive dechlorination of DDT. The degradation pathway of DDT as follows:

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   DDE
  DDT ←↑→ DDD ←→ DDMU ←→ DDMS ←→ DDNU →
    DDOH ←→ DDA ←→ DPM ←→ DBH ←→ DBP.
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DDT and degradation products DDE and DDD caused slight hepatic cell tumors in mice (Tarzjan and Kemeny, 1969). LD₅₀ value of DDT for fish is 2.57 µg/L (Reish et al., 1978). Degradation of DDT in half life is 8 months and 39% remains 17 years in soil (Jorgensen and Johnsen, 1981).

p, p' DDE and p, p' DDT were detected in blood during the antimalaria campaign in Argentina (Astolfi et al., 1980), in fish (Barlas, 1999), cod liver (Arctic) (Crosby, 1972), in atmosphere, rain water, atmospheric dust, cultivated soil, fresh water, seawater, gras, aquatic macrophytes, phytoplankton, invertebrates in sea, human food, man (Jorgensen and Johnsen, 1981).

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DDT, DDD, DDE were found in Sakarya river (Barlas, 1999), UK estuarine and coastal area (Law and Dobson, 1998).

Fig. 2 shows chlorinated pesticides standards. The detected pesticide are the degradation products of DDT as DDE, DDD, p, p' DDD and another chlorinated pesticide as chlordan, heptachlor, 214
methoxychlor, cypermethrin. The chlorinated pesticides found as DDT 0.5 – 0.8 ng/g, DDE 0.3 – 8.9 ng/g in Manila sediments (Bajet et al., 1999). The amount of chlorinated pesticides in total are 9.55 ng/g in Zeytinburnu Port (Fig. 3) and they were:

The degradation products of DDT as DDE 0.93 ng/g and DDD 0.76 ng/g
heptachlor 0.78 ng/g,
chlordane 0.22 ng/g,
methoxychlor 1.32 ng/g,
cypermethrin 5.54 ng/g,

Pesticide residue have been indentified as a significant pollutant in this port.
Oil amount found in this area is 3.804 mg/g. The limit of oil in sediment is 0.10 µg/g (National Academy of Science, 1975). Hence the oil pollution in Zeytinburnu Port is considered very high.

Conclusion
The location of major industrial areas in the streams of Çirpiç and Ayvalık includes a number of various types of industries. As a result Zeytinburnu Port is highly polluted and must be seriously and regularly controlled.

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