



Preliminary PFAS Study in a Privately-Owned Man-Made Lake

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Department of Environmental Quality



Study Purpose

- Preliminary study of GenX and other PFAS in privately-owned lake
- ~0.7 miles N/NE of Chemours-Fayetteville facility
 - Man-made lake
 - Artificially-stocked with fish



Study Design

- Samples
 - Surface water grabs, 2 locations
 - Surface sediment 5-part composites, 2 locations
 - Fish, 3 species
 - Bottom feeders (Omnivores)
 - Insectivores
 - Top predators (Piscivores)
 - Surface spring water flowing into the lake
- Samples collected March and April 2018 by DEQ staff
- 33 Target PFAS analysis by DEQ contract laboratory
 - GEL Laboratories, Charleston, SC
 - 8 PFAS as “estimated concentrations”

Preliminary study – not intended to meet the criteria for a fish consumption advisory



Preliminary Lake Study Results

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- **Spring and Surface Water**

- GenX was PFAS detected at the highest concentration
 - 1160 ppt spring
 - 968 ppt surface water
- Same 16 PFAS detected in both waters
 - Other PFAS at 0.507 to 263 ppt
 - PFOS and PFOA detected
- 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 10 carbon PFAS detected

ppt = part-per-trillion, ng/L or ng/kg

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- **Sediment**

- GenX was the only PFAS detected
 - 1800 ppt (dry weight)
 - 44.8 ng/g-OC
- 40,600 mg/kg organic carbon (4.06%)

ng/g = ng PFAS/gram sediment, parts-per-billion

OC = (sediment) organic carbon

ng/g-OC = organic carbon-normalized

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Fish tissue results –

- **Redear Sunfish (RES)**

- 7-fish filet composite
- GenX detected only in the Redear Sunfish
 - 2.70e-04 ppm (wet weight)
- PFOS only other PFAS detected in RES
 - 4.96e-04 J ppm (wet weight)

- **Blue Catfish (BLC)**

- Single-fish filet
- 4 PFAS detected, 4.83e-04 J to 1.27e-03 ppm (wet weight)
 - PFUdA, PFDoA, PFTTrDA, PFTeDA
 - 11,12,13,14 carbon PFAS



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Fish tissue results –

- **Largemouth Bass (LMB)**
 - 5-filet composite (smaller)
 - 2-filet composite (larger)
 - Same 5 PFAS detected in both samples
 - PFOS, PFUdA, PFDoA, PFTTrDA, PFTeDA
 - 8, 11, 12, 13, 14 carbon PFAS
 - PFOS detected at 2.26e-03 ppm (mean, wet weight)
 - Other PFAS detected at 3.61e-04 J to 1.27e-03 ppm (wet weight)



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Fish tissue PFOS Biomagnification Factor (BMF) –

- Redear Sunfish, Trophic Level 3
 - Largemouth Bass, Trophic Level 4
 - Lipid-normalized PFAS concentrations
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- BMF (larger LMB/RES) – 3.9
 - BMF (smaller LMB/RES) – 3.0



Additional Notes

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- PFAS concentrations in the fish collected at this time of year may not be representative of concentrations at other times of the year, or in other fish species
 - Fish collected at the end of the annual growing season may have higher concentrations
- The results of this preliminary study cannot be applied to any other body of water
- The data collected in this preliminary study cannot be used to infer concentrations of PFAS in fish tissue in other affected bodies of water.





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Target PFAS List

PFAS Chemical Name	PFAS Code	CASN	No. Carbons	Chemical Formula	PFAS Type	Estimated Concentration ^a
Perfluoro- 2-methoxyacetic acid (PFMOAA)	PFMOAA	674-13-5	3	C3HF5O3	PFECA	X
Perfluoro- butyric acid (PFBA)	PFBA	375-22-4	4	C4HF7O2	PFCA	
Perfluoro- butane- sulfonate (PFBS)	PFBS	375-73-5	4	C4HF9O3S	PFSA	
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Perfluoro- (3,5-dioxahexanoic) acid (PFO2HxA)	PFO2HxA	39492-88-1	4	C4HF7O4	PFECA	X
Perfluoro-4-methoxy- butanic acid (PFMOBA)	PFMOBA	863090-89-5	5	C5HF9O3	PFECA	X
Perfluoro- (3,5,7-trioxaoctanoic) acid (PFO3OA)	PFO3OA	39492-89-2	5	C5HF9O5	PFECA	X
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Fluorotelomer sulfonate 4:2 (4:2 FTS)	4:2 FTS	757124-72-4	6	C6H5F9O3S	FTS	
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Nafion Byproduct 1	Nafion-bp 1	29311-67-9	7	C7HF13SO5	PFESA	X
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N-ethylperfluoro- 1-octane- sulfon-amidoacetic acid (N-EtFOSAA)	n-EtFOSAA	2991-50-6	12	C12H8F17NO4S	other	
Perfluoro- dodecanoic acid (PFDoA)	PFDoA	307-55-1	12	C12HF23O2	PFCA	
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No. of PFAS detected:						16	16	1	4	2	5	5	
Sediment Organic Carbon, average, in mg/kg								40,600					
Fish Length, average, in mm									320	216	409	508	
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Perfluoro- hexanesulfonate (PFHxS)	PFHxS	355-46-4	6	C6HF13O3S		0.896 J	0.796 J							
2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoro-2-(1,1,2,2,3,3,3-heptafluoropropoxy)- propanoic acid (PFPrOPrA, "GenX")	PFPrOPrA (GenX)	13252-13-6	6	C6HF11O3		1160	968	1800		221				
Nafion Byproduct 1	Nafion-bp 1	29311-67-9	7	C7HF13SO5	X									
Nafion Byproduct 2	Nafion-bp 2	749836-20-2	7	C7H2F14SO5	X	57.0	54.1							
Perfluoro- heptanoic acid (PFHpA)	PFHpA	375-85-9	7	C7HF13O2		2.84	2.78							
Perfluoro- heptanesulfonate (PFHpS)	PFHpS	375-92-8	7	C7HF15O3S										
Fluorotelomer sulfonate 6:2 (6:2 FTS)	6:2 FTS	27619-97-2	8	C8H5F13O3S										
Perfluoro- octanoic acid (PFOA)	PFOA	335-67-1	8	C8HF15O2		4.23	9.61							
Perfluorooctane- sulfonate (PFOS)	PFOS	1763-23-1	8	C8HF17O3S		1.32 J	0.756 J			407 J	1217	1576		
Perfluoro- octane- sulfonamide (PFOSA)	PFOSA	754-91-6	8	C8H2F17NO2S										
Perfluoro- nonane- sulfonate (PFNS)	PFNA	68259-12-1	9	C9HF19O3S										
Perfluoro- nonanoic acid (PFNA)	PFNA	375-95-1	9	C9HF17O2										
Fluorotelomer sulfonate 8:2 (8:2 FTS)	8:2 FTS	39108-34-4	10	C10H5F17O3S										
Perfluoro- decanoic acid (PFDA)	PFDA	335-76-2	10	C10GF19O2										
Perfluoro- decanesulfonate (PFDS)	PFDS	335-77-3	10	C10HF21O3S										
Perfluoro- (3,5,7,9- tetraoxadecanoic) acid (PFO4DA)	PFO4DA	39492-90-5	10	C10H7F11O6	X	7.24	13.3							
N-methylperfluoro- 1-octane-sulfon- amidoacetic acid (N-MeFOSAA)	n-MeFOSAA	2355-31-9	11	C11H6F17NO4S										
Perfluoro- undecanoic acid (PFUDA)	PFUDA	2058-94-8	11	C11HF21O2					165 J		513	690		
N-ethylperfluoro- 1-octane- sulfon-amidoacetic acid (N-EtFOSAA)	n-EtFOSAA	2991-50-6	12	C12H8F17NO4S										
Perfluoro- dodecanoic acid (PFDoA)	PFDoA	307-55-1	12	C12HF23O2					134 J		369 J	437 J		
Perfluoro- tridecanoic acid (PFTrDA)	PFTrDA	72629-94-8	13	C13HF25O2					241		421 J	515 J		
Perfluoro- tetradecanoic acid (PFTeDA)	PFTeDA	376-06-7	14	C14HF27O2					91.5 J		198 J	228 J		
No. of PFAS detected:						16	16	1	4	2	5	5		
Sediment Organic Carbon, average, in mg/kg						40,600								
Fish Length, average, in mm										320	216	409	508	
Fish Weight, average, in grams										7928	168	971	1812	
Fish Fillet % Lipids, average										0.528	0.122	0.236	0.158	

^a Estimated concentration = No calibration standard available for this PFAS at the time of the analysis, the reported concentration is estimated from the GenX calibration curve

Nafion-bp 1 = Nafion byproduct 1

Nafion-bp 2 = Nafion byproduct 2

TL = trophic level

mm = millimeters

J = estimated concentration

ppb = parts-per-billion

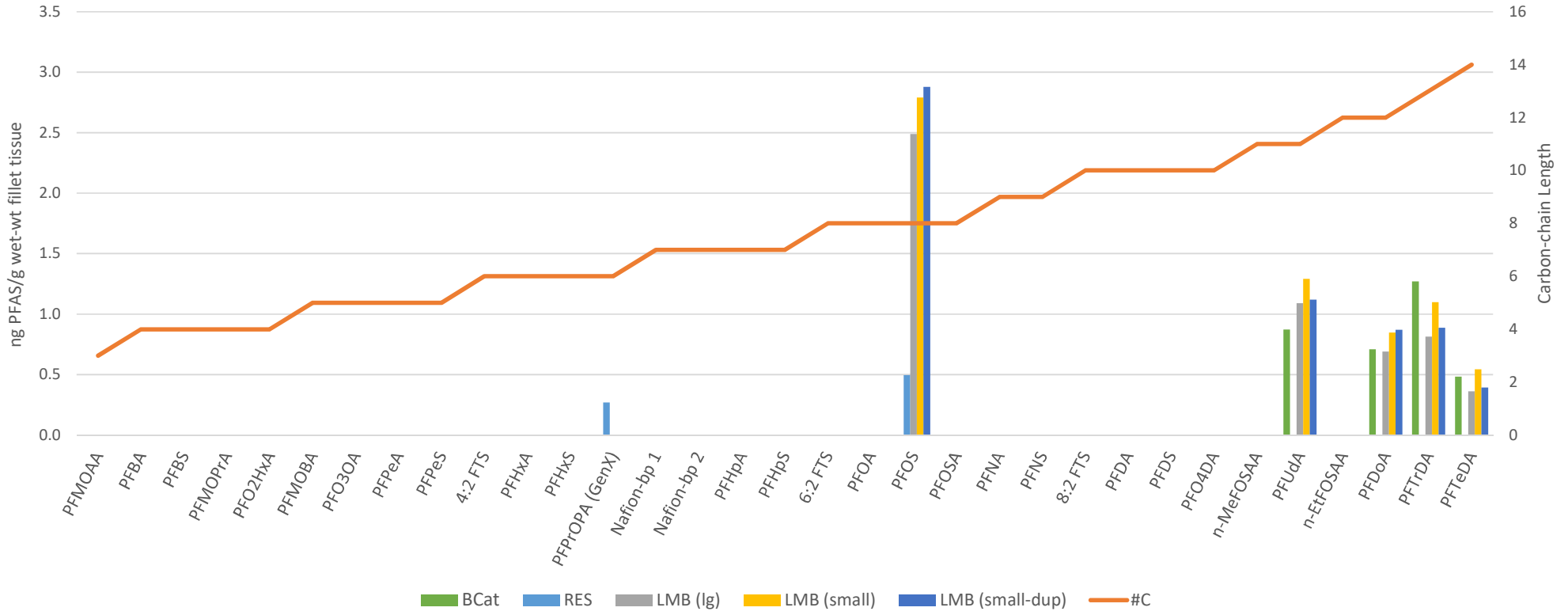
ppt = parts-per-billion

ng/L = ng PFAS per liter water = ppt

ng/kg dry weight = ng PFAS per kg dry weight sediment = ppt

ng/g-lipid = ng PFAS per g fillet tissue lipid = ppb

Lake Fish Wet-Weight Filet Tissue PFAS Data



Lake Fish Organic Carbon-Normalized Filet Tissue PFAS Data

