



Pesticide Properties Database (PPDB) - Usage

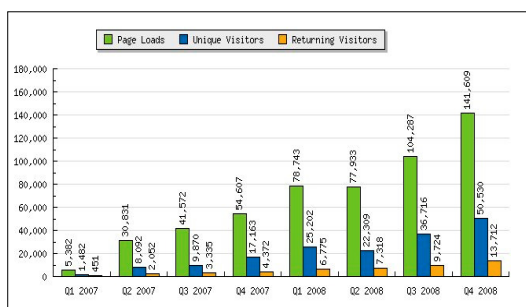
Introduction

The PPDB was initially developed with UK funding, however additional funds from the FOOTPRINT project has enabled it to be updated and validated in order to provide fate and ecotoxicological data for the FOOT-Tools. Due to public demand the scope of the database has been considerably extended and it now supports a wide range of research activities via both its web-based portal and its MS Access formats.

The PPDB website

The free-to-all PPDB website was launched in early 2007. An embedded website traffic monitoring system has enabled us to collect usage records and statistics from the start. Access is truly global.

Usage Statistics



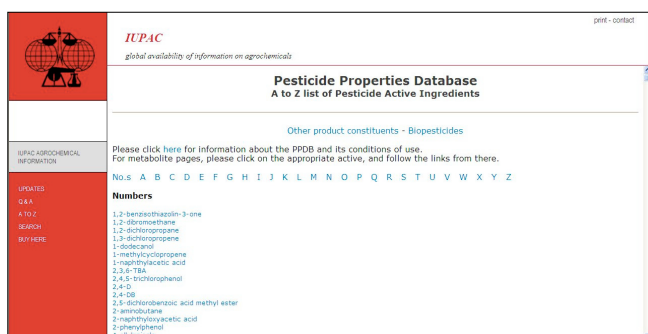
Global access has increased month on month since the launch and still rising.

Global Access



This shows a snapshot of access at 14.00 GMT on 04/03/2009.

Other Portals



Whilst FOOTPRINT is the main portal, it is also used to support the IUPAC initiative: 'The Global Availability of Information on Agrochemicals' and it is also available to subscribers via the UK's ADLib (Agricultural Document Library) website.

<http://www.eu-footprint.org>

<http://sitem.herts.ac.uk/aeru/footprint>

<http://agrochemicals.iupac.org/>

<http://www.adlib.ac.uk/adlib/>

MS ACCESS Format

A compact version of the PPDB in MS Access format will be distributed with the FOOT-Tools for convenience, ease-of-use and data transparency. This database will be updated regularly.

The MS Access format of the PPDB is now being used by a number of users independent of FOOTPRINT. These include support for other models and decision support systems and use by a number of regulatory bodies for their own policy related activities.

Exports of the data have also been used to support the FAO/IAEA project INFOCRIS (International Food Contaminant and Residue Information System).