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Effects of Micro- and Nano-Plastic Pollution on Marine Ecosystems and Human Health

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and nanoplastics (MNPs) are emerging environmental pollutants that pose a significant hazard to the marine ecosystem. MNPs may be ingested by a wide variety of marine species, including fish and shellfish, and thus elicit a number of negative effects on aquatic life. In addition, there is growing evidence that MNPs can be transported through the food chain, potentially threatening human health through seafood intake. As a result, this Special Issue focuses on, but is not limited to, the following topics: (1) the environmental behaviors and implications of MNPs in waters, sediments and biota from various marine ecosystems around the world; (2) the biological effects and mechanisms of MNPs alone and/or in combination with other anthropogenic pollutants or environmental stressors marine organisms; in methodologies for determining MNP characteristics and risk assessment; (4) the risk assessment of MNPs for marine ecosystems and human health; (5) the potential transfer of MNPs along the marine food web and their consequent effects on human health.

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