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Challenges and Emerging Approaches in Environmental Exposure and Human Health Risk Assessment

Message from the Guest Editors

Massive quantities of chemicals have already been produced, released, and accumulated in our ecosystem. Humans are exposed to multiple chemicals by multiple routes of exposure. Many of these chemicals are suspected of causing adverse health effects. In order to regulate these chemicals, risk assessment taking account of both exposure and toxicity is therefore necessary to monitor and control possible adverse effects on human health. Risk assessments have traditionally used toxicological data from animal studies and safety assessment factors to derive intakes that can be associated with an acceptable level of risk. However, there is consensus that the 21st century paradigm shift in human health risk assessment will be based on the understanding of mechanisms of toxicity rather than on the identification of apical endpoints of toxicity. The objective of this Special Issue is to cover different aspects of new-generation approaches for Environmental Exposure and Human Health Risk Assessment of single or multiple chemicals, including all chemical classes (cumulative) and all routes (aggregate) of combined exposure, considered for their effects on human health.

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