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Developmental exposures linked to adverse health effects include heavy metals, endocrine disruptors, air pollutants and radiation. Normal development is governed by widespread epigenomic reprogramming in the somatic cells and primordial germ cells of the developing embryo. This reprogramming includes changes in DNA methylation, DNA hydroxymethylation, chromatin modification/structure, and expression/function of noncoding RNAs. The effects of environmental agents on epigenomic programming during critical periods of development, and the implications these changes have for health across the lifespan, are incompletely understood.

In this Special Issue, we invite contributions that address these important research questions. These include mechanistic studies conducted in a variety of models, as well as human epidemiologic studies. Of particular interest are studies that address the sex-specific effects of developmental environmental exposures on the epigenome and health.



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