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Emerging Contaminants (ECs) in Water

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Dear Colleagues,

Emerging contaminants—or contaminants of emerging concern as some researchers prefer to say—include a wide variety of chemicals of different origin (agricultural, industrial, urban) that have been found in the aquatic environment and have raised concerns among scientists, regulators, and the society in general, due to the potential negative effects that their presence in the water cycle can have on the environment and human health. Chemical substances falling under this category include pesticides, flame retardants, detergents, plasticizers, anticorrosives, microplastics, nanomaterials, pharmaceuticals (antibiotics, psychiatric drugs, chemotherapy agents, analgesics, lipid regulators, etc.), illicit drugs, personal care products, artificial sweeteners, estrogens, endocrine disrupting compounds in general, disinfection byproducts, and transformation products of the above, among others. [...]

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