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## **HUMAN HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT**

Risk Assessment Process (U.S. EPA)



## **Risk Characterization**



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## **RISK ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY**

#### Advantage of this approach



#### **Step 1: Hazard Identification**

- Collect data on presence of chemical
  - Sampling
  - Modeling
  - Chemical fate and transport
- Determine if chemical may be toxic
- Develop model of how chemical may move through environment
  - Conceptual Site Model is used to organize information regarding chemicals and potential transport to people



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#### Step #2: Exposure Assessment



- Who is Exposed?
  - Adult, Child, Special Populations
- How Are They Exposed?
  - Ingestion, Inhalation, Skin Contact
- What is the <u>Concentration</u> of Chemical to Which They are Exposed?
  - ppm in Water or Soil
- How <u>Often</u> Are They Exposed?
  - Days per year, Number of years

Prediction of Exposure scenarios



#### Putting it all together. . .

## $Intake Dose (mg/kg-day) = \frac{C \times CR \times EF \times ED}{BW \times AT}$

 Intake Equation for Drinking Water Example C= Chemical Concentration (Obtain from sampling) CR= Contact Rate (2 liters water/day) EF= Exposure Frequency (350 days/year) ED= Exposure Duration (30 years) BW=Body Weight (70 kg.) AT= Averaging Time (10,950 days)



## Step 3: Toxicity assessment / Dose-Response Curve relationship



#### Increasing dose

Reference Dose – Chemical concentration per unit body weight without significant effects

Dose – Chemical concentration per unit body weight Response – Level of measured adverse effect







#### Step #4: Risk Characterization

The risk characterization combines the information obtained on toxicity with the calculated exposure to provide an estimate of risk.





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Research topics > Health Risk Assessment

#### Detail description

Human Health Risk Assessment

Environment contamination is one of the factors that are concerned in human health adverse effects. During the last decades a number of negative effects related to environment contamination are confirmed.

There is increased incidence of many diseases in exposed population in case of contaminated environment. To these health problems belong affections of the respiratory system, cardiovascular system, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, increase reproduction, but also occurrence of tumor diseases that can be concerned with exposure to carcinogenic compounds.

Contamination data of partial environmental matrix are used to retrospective health risk assessment with emphasis on carcinogenic and noncarcinogenic effects of assessed pollutants. Health risk assessment is methodological procedure that provides estimation and quantification of health risks probability using systematic evaluation of adverse environmental stressors. Advantage of this procedure is also prospective modeling of still nonexistent situations.

Health risk assessment is primarily based on real exposure dose prediction using





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