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# Ekotoxikologie – závěr přednášek nové přístupy a poznatky

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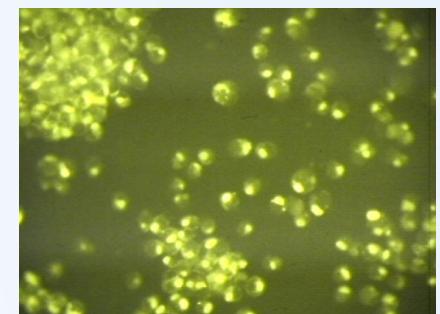
# Přehled závěrečné přednášky

- Moderní přístupy experimentální ekotoxikologie
  - In vitro modely
  - Biomarkery a „MOA“ (mode-of-action / omics) techniky
- Modely v ekotoxikologii
  - SAR a QSAR
  - AOP / PBPK / TOXCAST
- „Nové“ problémy v ekotoxikologii
  - Nanočástice
- Novinky a zajímavosti

# Výzkum mechanismů toxicity

## in vitro modely a biotesty

- Zjišťování účinků (Biologie, Toxikologie a Ekotoxikologie) - existuje velké množství modelů
- Účinky na celých organismech
  - Standardní biotesty in vivo: legislativa
  - „Nestandardní“ biotesty in vivo: experimentální výzkumná práce
- Pochopení a identifikace **specifických mechanismů působení**
  - In vitro modely: Orgánové / Tkáňové / Buněčné
  - Výhody
    - Mechanistické porozumění
    - Šetření experimentálních zvířat (etické principy „3R“)
  - Nevýhody
    - „Jen“ in vitro, chybí komplex a interakce v organismu



# Výzkumy mechanismů toxicity in vitro modely a biotesty



Práce s in vitro kulturami  
(kultivační / expoziční  
nádoby a média)

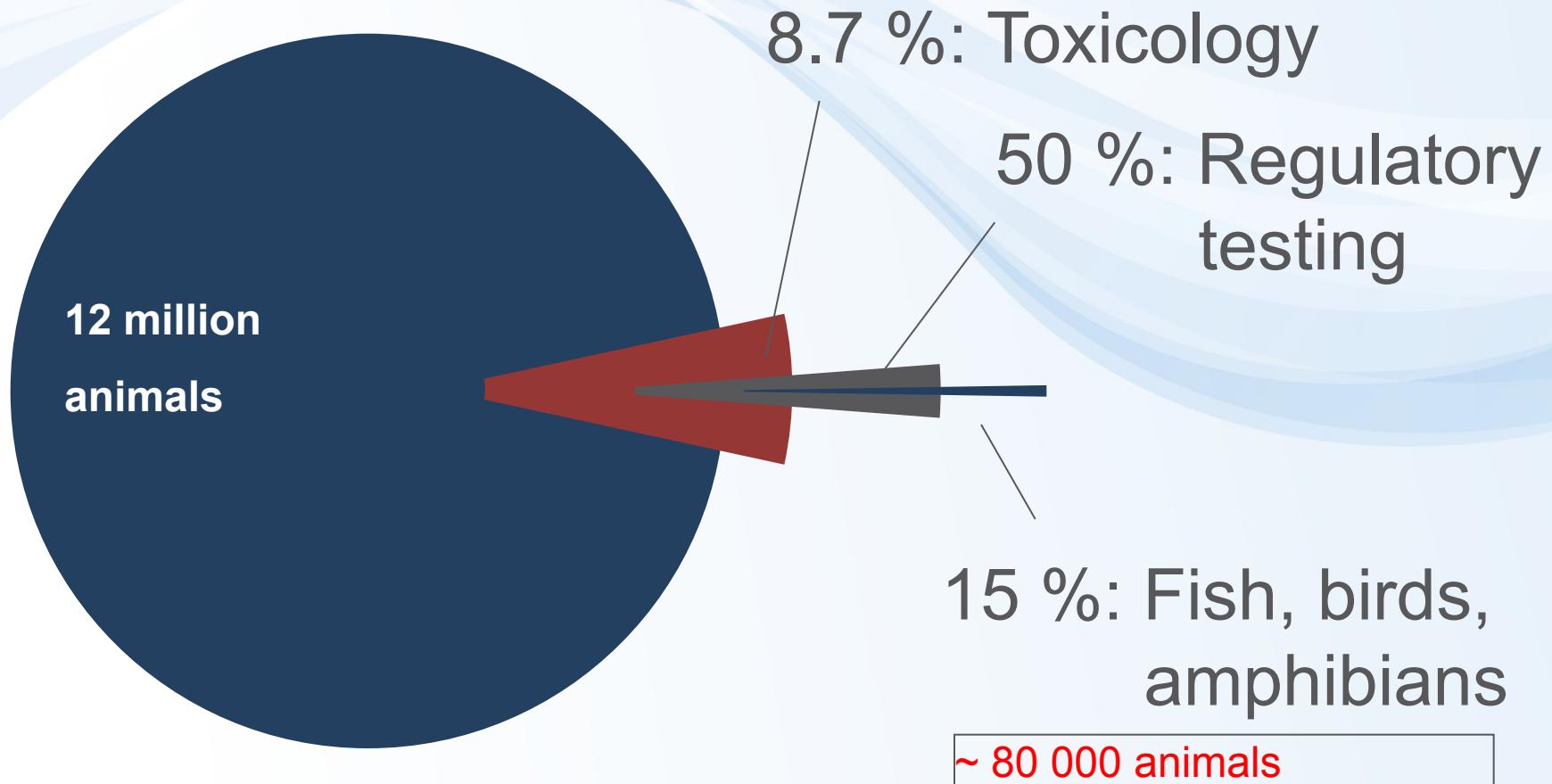


Sterilní práce s modely in  
vitro



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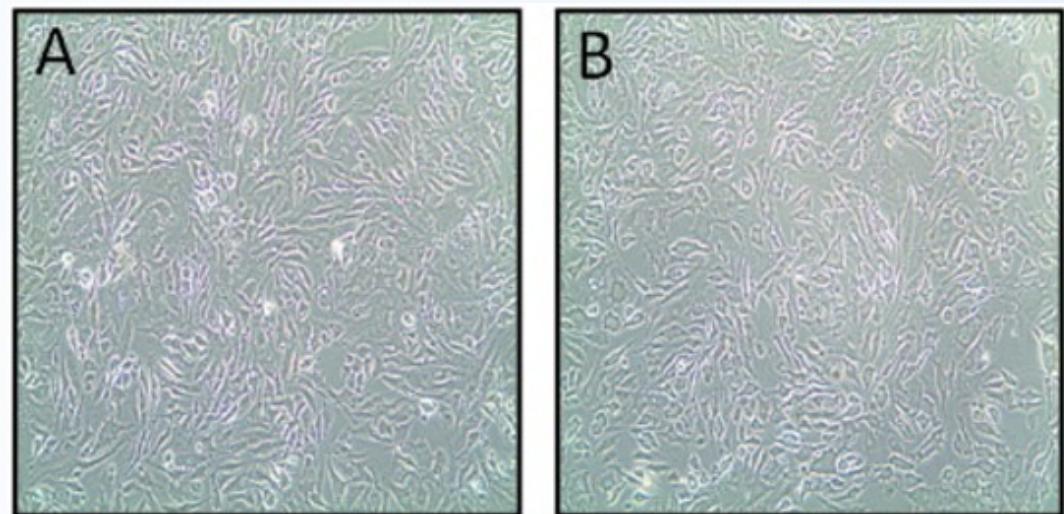
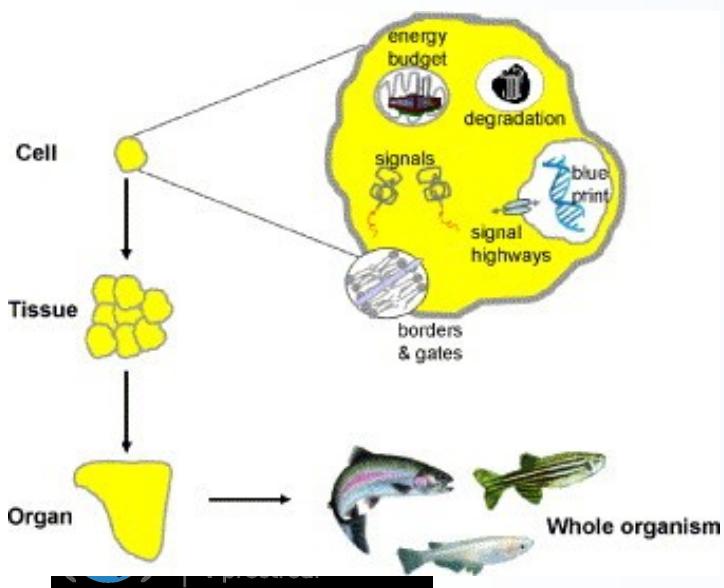
# Počty obratlovců používaných pro hodnocení chemických látok v Evropě



*Commission of the European Communities, 2010*

# In vitro modely v ekotoxikologii 1 – rybí buňky

- Rybí buňky in vitro
  - Relativně snadná izolace buněk a udržování v kultuře (na rozdíl od savčích primárních linií se rybí buňky in vitro chovají jako imortalizované)
  - Příklady linií
    - **RTL-W1 (Rainbow Trout Liver - W1)**
    - RTgill (Rainbow Trout Gill)
  - Využití např. pro testování akutní toxicity (snaha o nahrazení testů *in vivo*)
    - podobná citlivost s *in vivo* modely → *validace / standardizace*



# In vitro modely – stanovení specifických účinků

## Jaderné receptory – ER, AhR

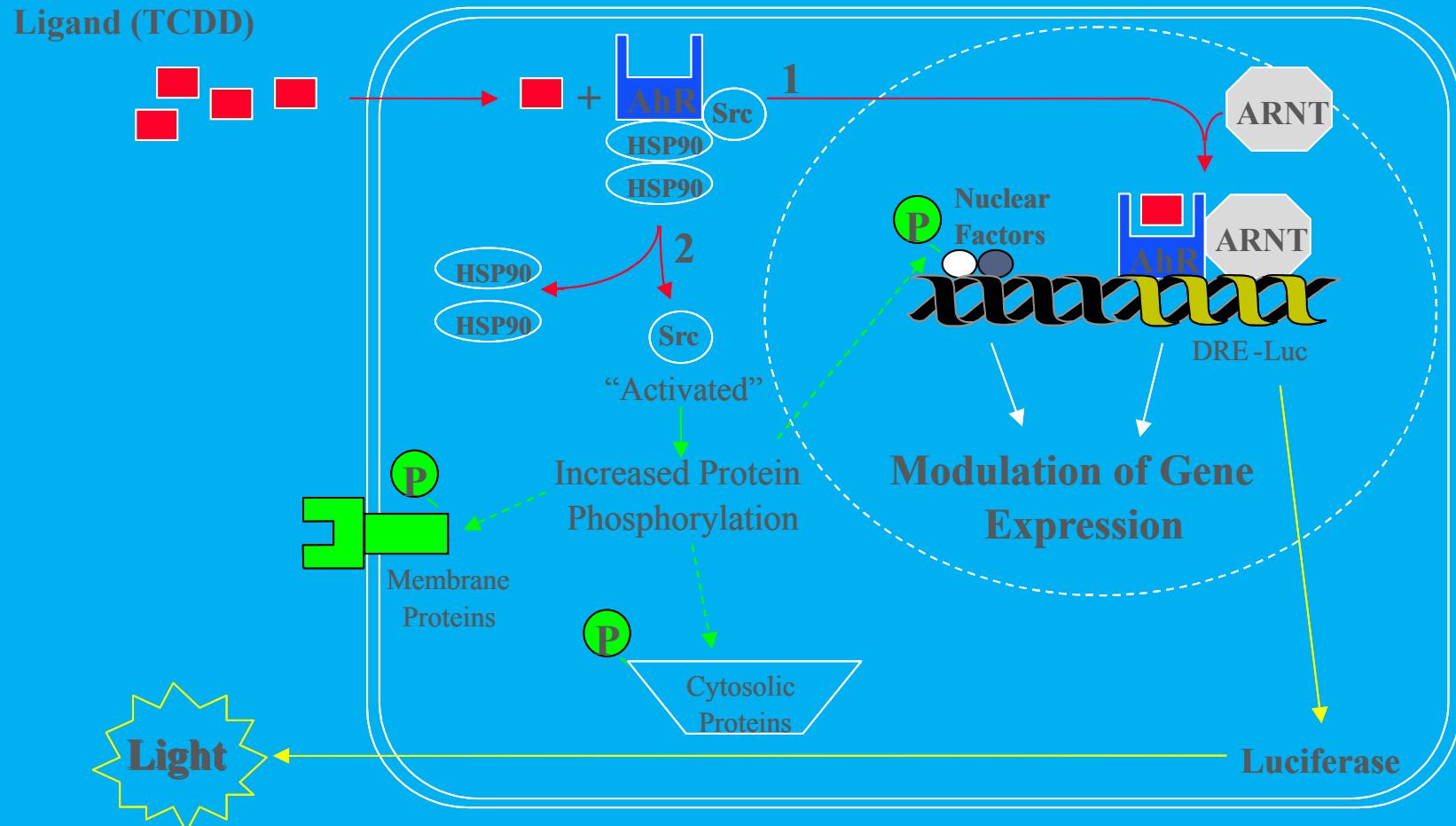
- Toxicita závislá na jaderných receptorech → velký význam v ekotoxicitě (viz jinde v přednáškách)
- Jaderné receptory = transkripční faktory
  - Aktivace receptoru → produkce nových proteinů (zvýšené hladiny = marker expozice)
  - Možnosti měření
    - Měření aktivity (např. oxidace – CYP450 – viz dále)
    - Měření celých proteinů (např. WesternBlotting nebo ELISA)
    - Měření na úrovni mRNA – genová exprese - PCR nebo kvantitativní PCR
    - Sleování „reporterových genů“ (viz dále)
- **Měření aktivity AhR → indukce detoxikačních enzymů – CYPs**
  - Nejčastěji - měření oxidázové aktivity CYP (metoda EROD)
  - (využívají se i další analýzy – WBblotting, mRNA ...)
- Měření aktivity ER → indukce ER-závislých proteinů
  - **Vitellogenin (prekurzor žloutkového proteinu u vejcorodých – ryby, ptáci ..):** měření WBblotting, ELISA nebo exprese mRNA

# Reporterové testy

## analýza účinků závislých na jaderných receptorech

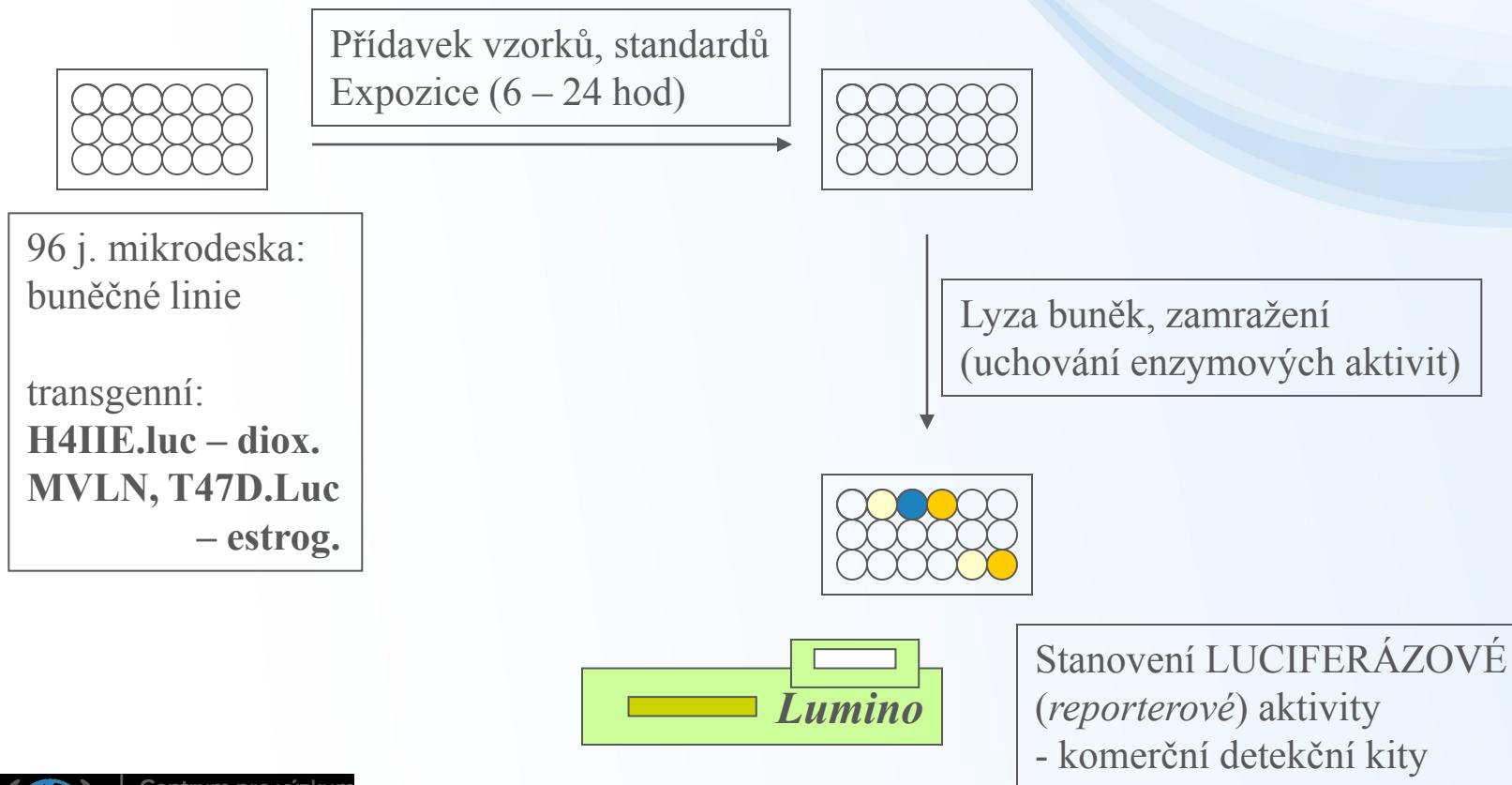
- Specificky vytvořené buněčné linie
- Původně odvozené z lidských, potkaních, rybích či jiných tkání
- Následná úprava („GMO“)
  - stabilní transfekce specifickými geny, které se v buňkách normálně nevyskytují
  - Luciferáza (ze světlusky), Beta-galaktosidáza
  - Vložení do DNA v místech, která jsou kontrolována příslušným receptorem (AhR, ER...)
- Princip – viz obrázek
  - Měření světla z luciferázy ~ množství dioxinově aktivních látek
- Někdy označované „**CALUX**“ (**C**hemical **A**sisted **L**uciferase **E**xpression)
  - jde o komerční název některých buněk, ale v mnoha laboratořích (včetně RECETOX) se užívají principiálně stejné „nekomerční“ buňky (např. H4IIE.luc / MVLD / MDAkb2)

# Stanovení toxicit závislých na intracelulárních receptorech



# Stanovení aktivit/toxicit závislých na intracelulárních receptorech

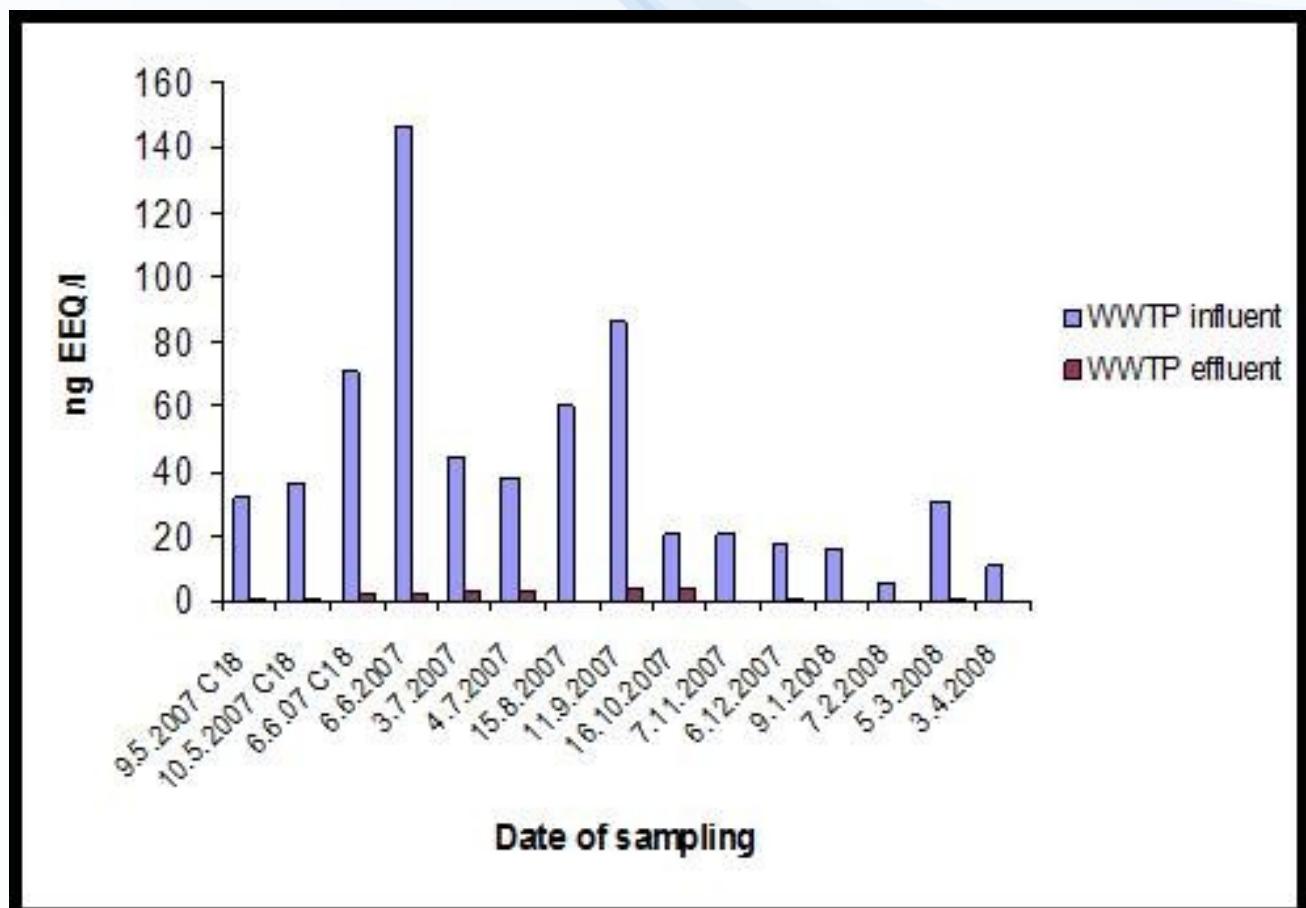
*AhR, ER – experimentální design*



# Příklad – využití reporterových testů

Hladiny estrogenních látek (stanovení pomocí MVLN testu) na  
Přítoku a Odtoku ČOV Brno-Modřice

- Velká účinnost čištění
- Výsledné koncentrace (až 5 ng/L) jsou i tak biologicky účinné !

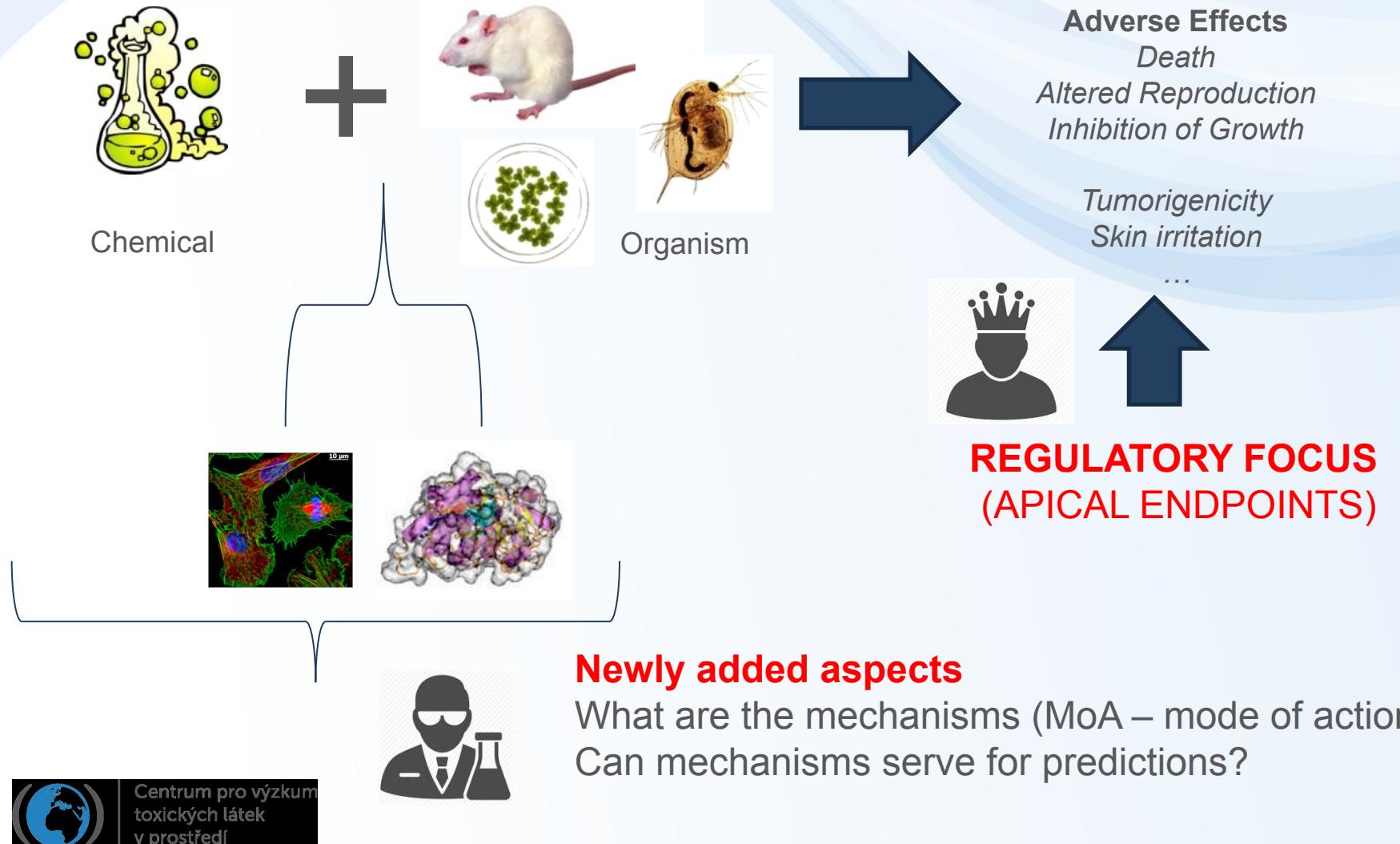


# Budoucnost ekotoxikologie: Big data a „omics“

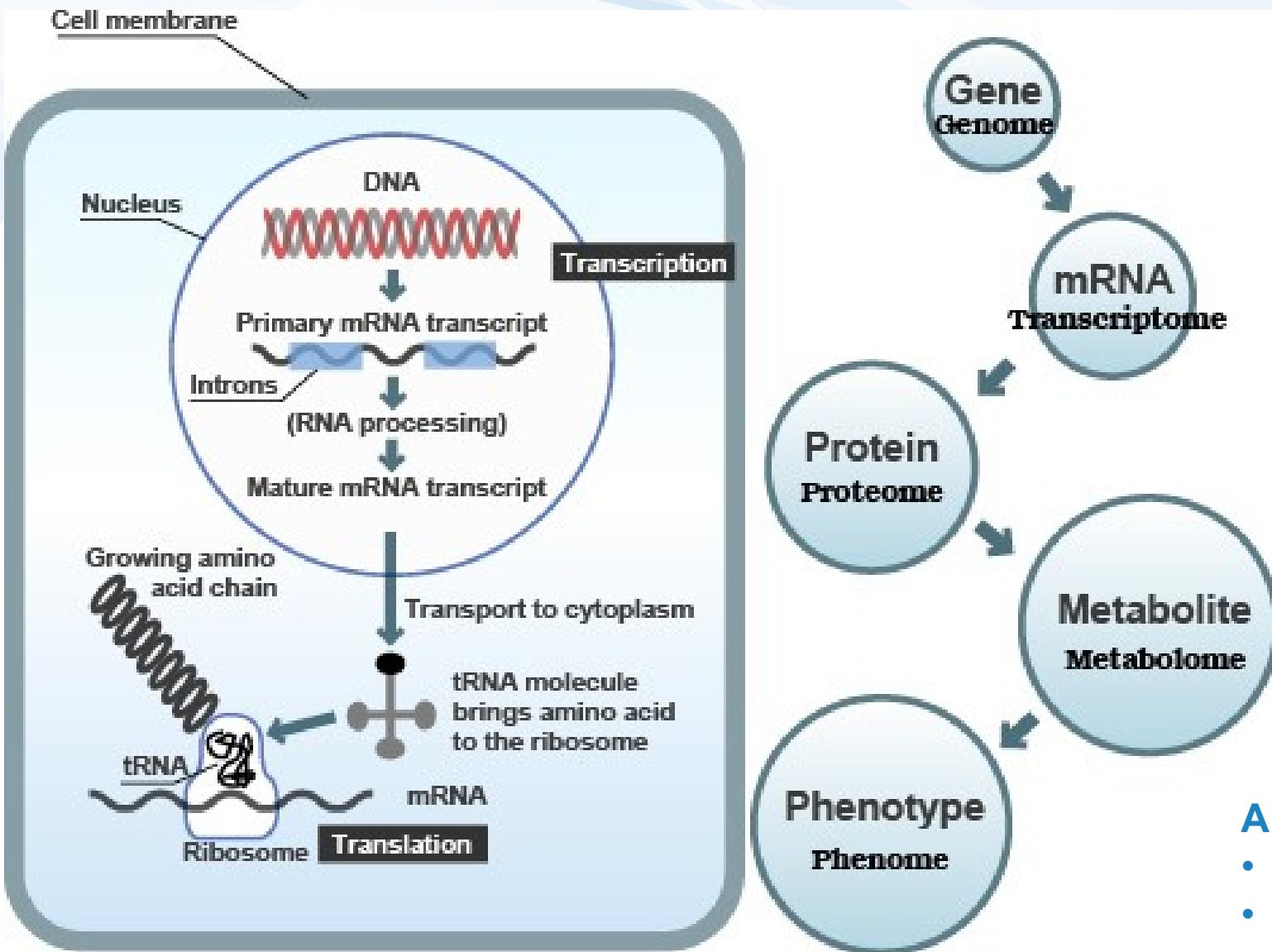


# Hazard assessment

**Traditionally** – Evaluation of adverse effects using the whole organism models



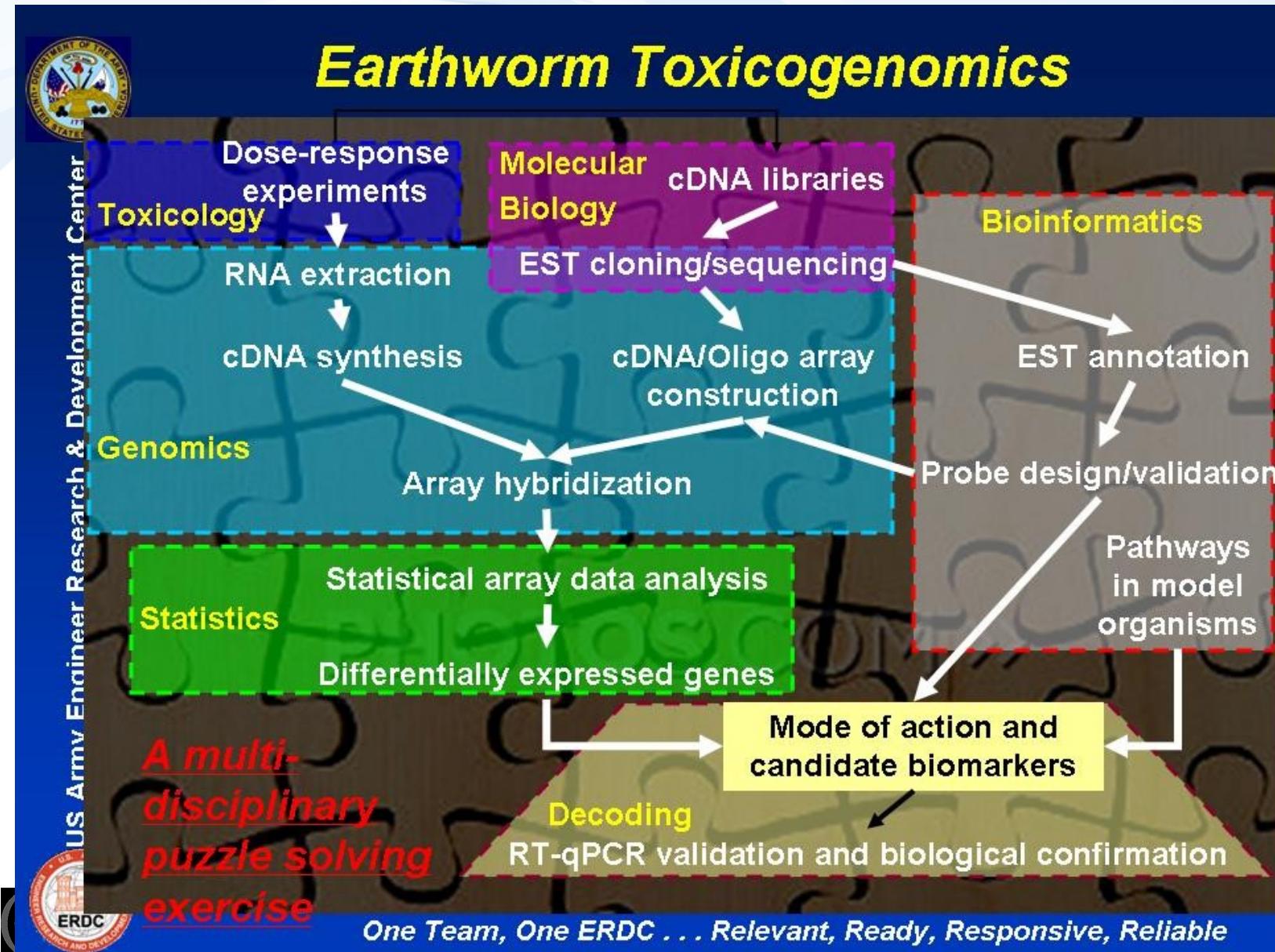
# Extrémní rozvoj analytických technologií → „OMICS“



A další „ómy“  
• Lipidóm  
• Mikrobiom ...



# Omics? ... nejen obratlovci ...

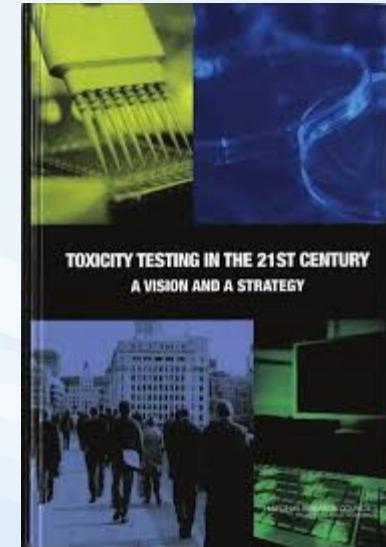


# Sběr omics podporuje strategické dokumenty & projekty

## Toxicity Testing in the 21st Century: A Vision and a Strategy

US National Academies of Sciences

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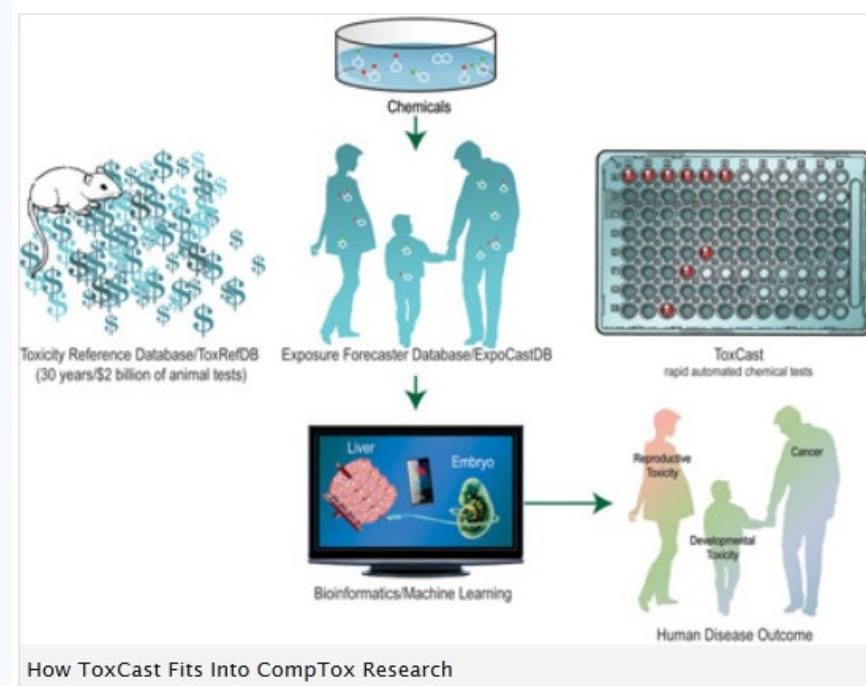
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## ToxCast™

Screening Chemicals to Predict Toxicity Faster and Better

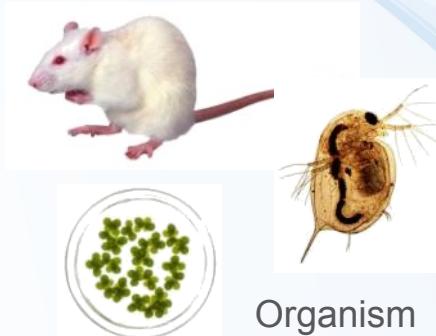


# Hazard assessment

**Traditionally** – Evaluation of adverse effects using the whole organism models



Chemical



Organism



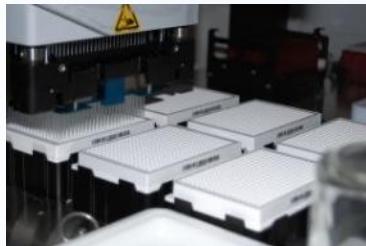
**Adverse Effects (EC50)**

*Death  
Inhibition of Growth  
Altered Reproduction  
Tumor  
Skin irritation*

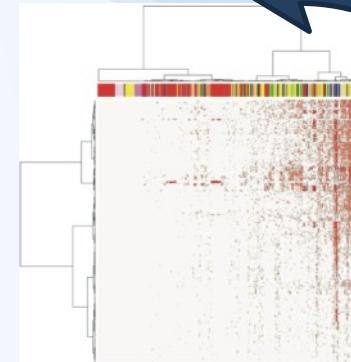
**New** – Ex vivo / in vitro / In chemico / In silico Methods



$10^4$  Chemicals



HTS



*Chemical-biological interactions,  
Mechanistic Toxicological Data*

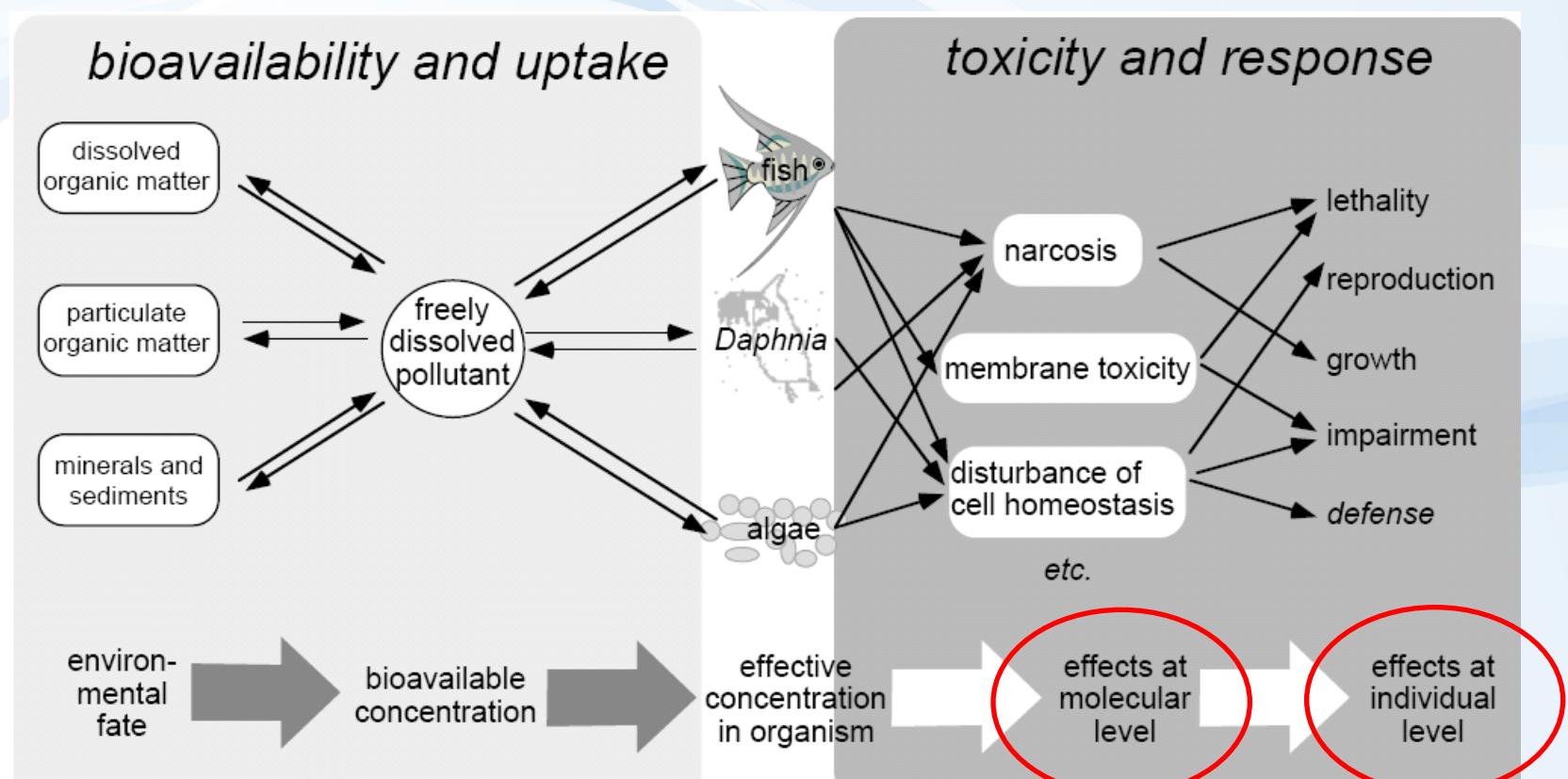
**Key task/question:**

How to link MECHANISTIC INFORMATION with APICAL ENDPOINTS ?

# Využití mechanistických dat → AOPs



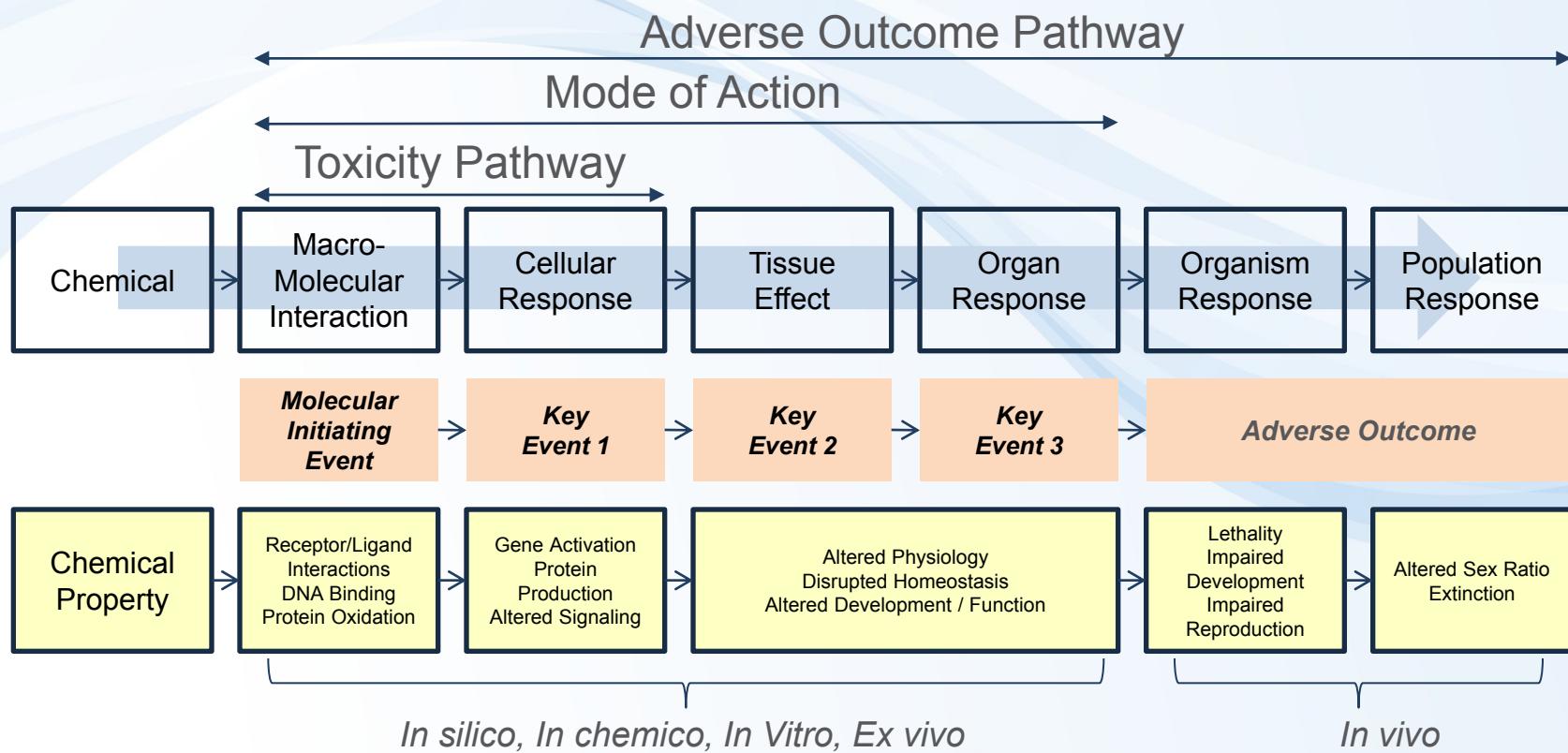
# Ecotoxicity is a consequence of sequence of events



**Figure 1** The effective concentration of a pollutant in an organism (e.g. fish, daphnia, algae) or at the target site inside the organism is the link between the environmental fate of a pollutant and its toxic effect.

Escher, B. I., Behra, R., Eggen, R. I. L., Fent, K. (1997), "Molecular mechanisms in ecotoxicology: an interplay between environmental chemistry and biology", *Chimia*, **51**, 915-921.

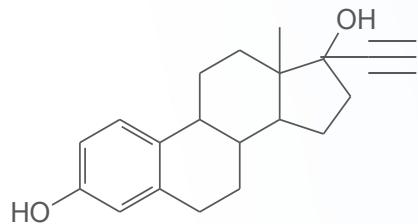
# Adverse Outcome Pathways – Dráhy škodlivého účinku



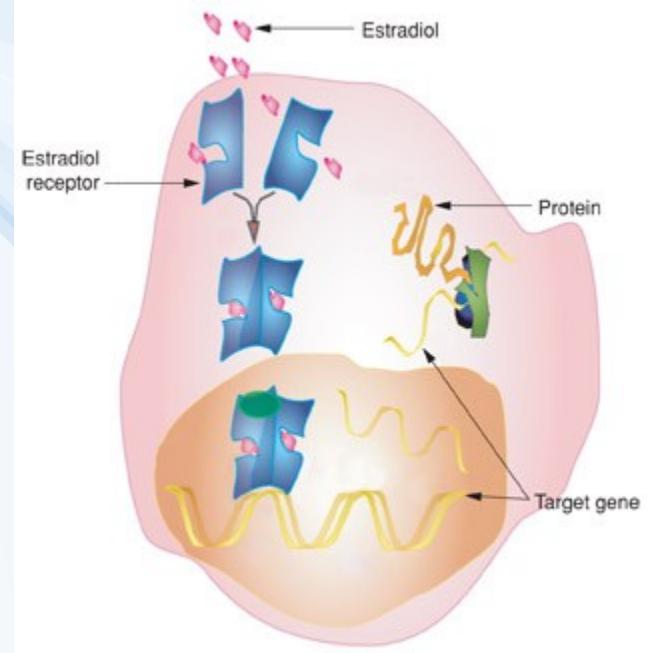
The **EXISTING KNOWLEDGE** is used **to link** the two anchor points:  
**Molecular Initiating Event** (MIE) and **Adverse Outcome** (AO)  
**via a series** of intermediate steps: **Key Events**

# AOP Example: Fish population decline due to estrogen receptor modulation

## Ethinylestradiol (EE2)



**MIE**  
Binding to  
ESTROGEN  
RECEPTOR



### KEs - Activation Target genes

- Proliferation/Apoptosis (sexual organs)
- Synthesis of egg yolk (fish, amphibia)



### KEs - Effects

- Females: reproduction regulation
- Males: feminization
  - (+ e.g. *cancer promotion, development, immunomodulation*)

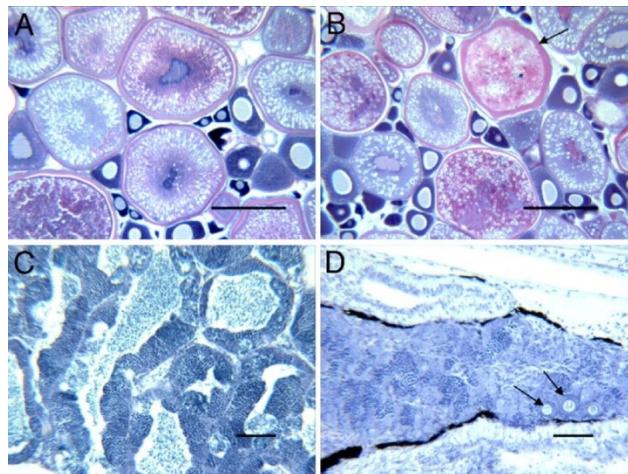


# Adverse outcome – fish population decline

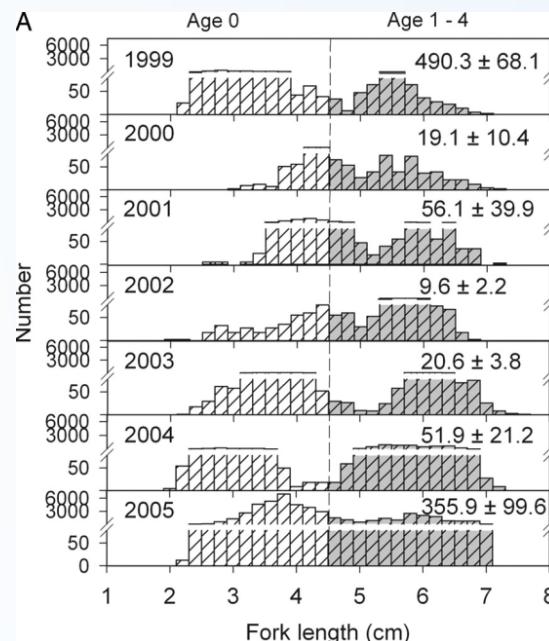
Kidd, K.A. et al. 2007. **Collapse of a fish population following exposure to a synthetic estrogen.** PNAS 104(21):8897-8901



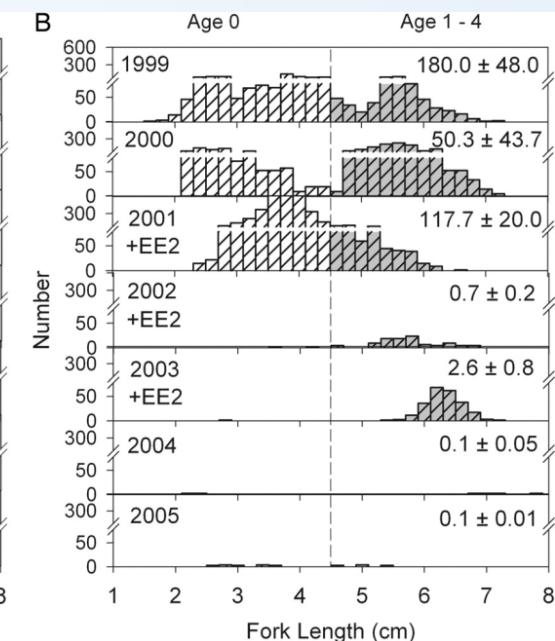
**EE2 - 5 ng/L (!)  
7 years**



**Control lake**



**lake with EE2**



# AOP a regulatorní prediktivní toxikologie

## OECD AOP Knowledge Base



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## Adverse Outcome Pathways, Molecular Screening and Toxicogenomics

### WHAT'S NEW

#### SURVEY ON ADVERSE OUTCOME PATHWAYS (AOPS) TO IDENTIFY DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES

The OECD has launched a survey to explore the utility of AOPs for regulatory assessment of chemicals and to identify development priorities. The objective is to collect feedback on how the AOP concept and/or existing AOPs are already being used for regulatory purposes, to understand where they fall short regarding their utility, and to identify what directions and priorities future AOP development work should embrace to increase their impact on regulatory toxicology and chemical risk assessment.

The survey is mainly for chemical safety regulators who are experiencing a transition in their work towards an increased use of 'alternative' methods and AOPs. However, stakeholders that come from the regulated community and environmental NGOs are also welcome to participate.

> **The survey is now closed. Thank you for your submissions.**

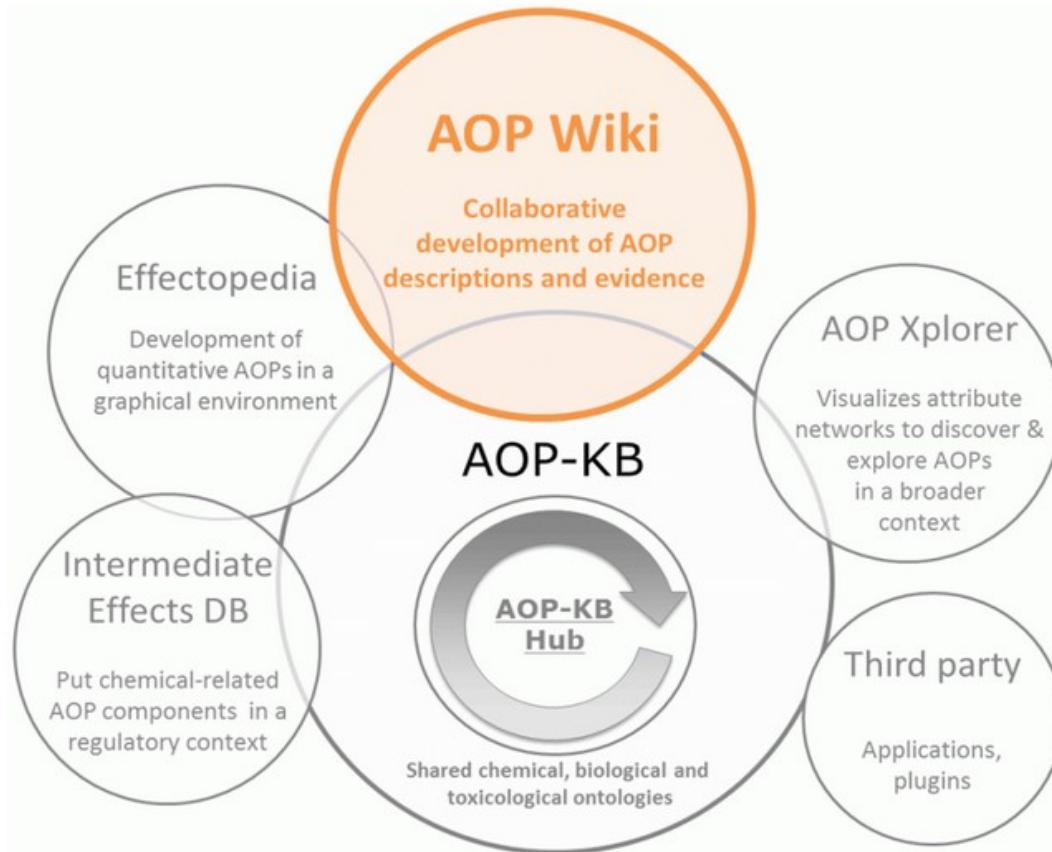
<http://www.oecd.org/chemicalsafety/testing/projects-adverse-outcome-pathways.htm>



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# Adverse Outcome Pathway Knowledge Base (AOP-KB)

|| AOP-KB || Background || How to contribute ||



Please click on any of the AOP-KB elements you want to use.

Please note that the AOP-KB is work in progress and more elements will become available over time.

<http://aopkb.org/>

## Key documents

**OECD Guidance document and a template for developing and assessing adverse outcome pathways (Series No. 184, Series on Testing and Assessment)**

## **Handbook for AOP developers**



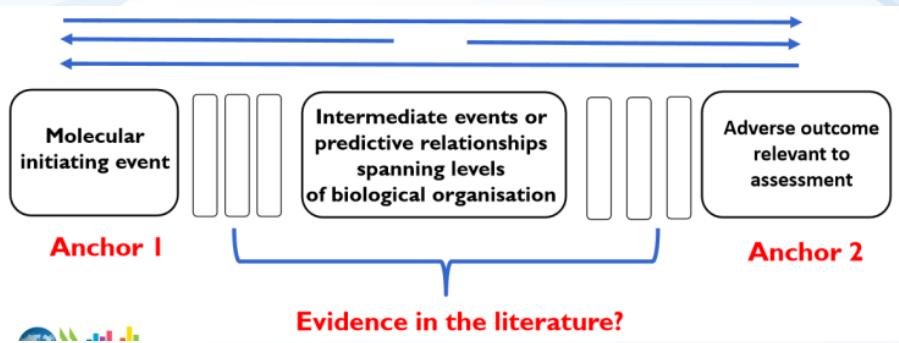
# AOP Wiki

- [https://aopkb.org/aopwiki/index.php/Main\\_Page](https://aopkb.org/aopwiki/index.php/Main_Page)
- Wiki-based platform for development of AOPs
- Only members of an OECD AOP development project can create / edit AOPs



# AOP Development

- Identification of the chemical-biological interaction - **Anchor 1**
- Understanding of the **apical outcome** elicited by the MIE - **Anchor 2**
- Identification of **intermediate key events** depends on the level of knowledge about this outcome



E.g. semi-automated literature searches, semantic & network methods  
[http://www.oecd.org/env/ehs/testing/AOP%20process\\_10%20June%202013.pdf](http://www.oecd.org/env/ehs/testing/AOP%20process_10%20June%202013.pdf)

## Key Events

- Are seminal **intermediate events** that are toxicologically relevant to the apical outcome.
- The basis for hypothesis development and testing => must be **experimentally quantifiable**
- Are **often assessed by rapid screening methods**

## AOP Assessment

- Completeness (reliability & robustness)
- Qualitative Understanding
- Weight of Evidence supporting AOP (Bradford-Hill criteria)
- Quantitative Understanding



# AOP components

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TABLE 1. Primary Components of an Adverse Outcome Pathway (AOP)

Key event (KE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A measureable change in biological state that is essential, but not necessarily sufficient for the progression from a defined biological perturbation toward a specific AO.</li><li>• Represented as nodes in an AOP diagram or AOP network.</li><li>• Provide verifiability to an AOP description.</li></ul>
Key event relationship (KER)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Define a directed relationship between a pair of KEs, identifying one as upstream and the other as downstream.</li><li>• Supported by biological plausibility and empirical evidence.</li><li>• Represented as a directed edge (i.e., an arrow) in an AOP diagram or AOP network.</li><li>• Unit of inference or extrapolation within an AOP.</li></ul>
Molecular initiating event (MIE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A specialized type of KE.</li><li>• Defined as the point where a chemical directly interacts with a biomolecule to create a perturbation—as such, by definition occurs at the molecular level.</li><li>• Anchors the “upstream” end of an AOP.</li><li>• A specialized type of KE.</li></ul>
Adverse outcome (AO)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Measured at a level of organization that corresponds with an established protection goal and/or is functionally equivalent to an apical endpoint measured as part of an accepted guideline test.</li><li>• Generally at the organ level or higher.</li><li>• Anchors the “downstream” end of an AOP.</li></ul>



# AOPs and their links ...

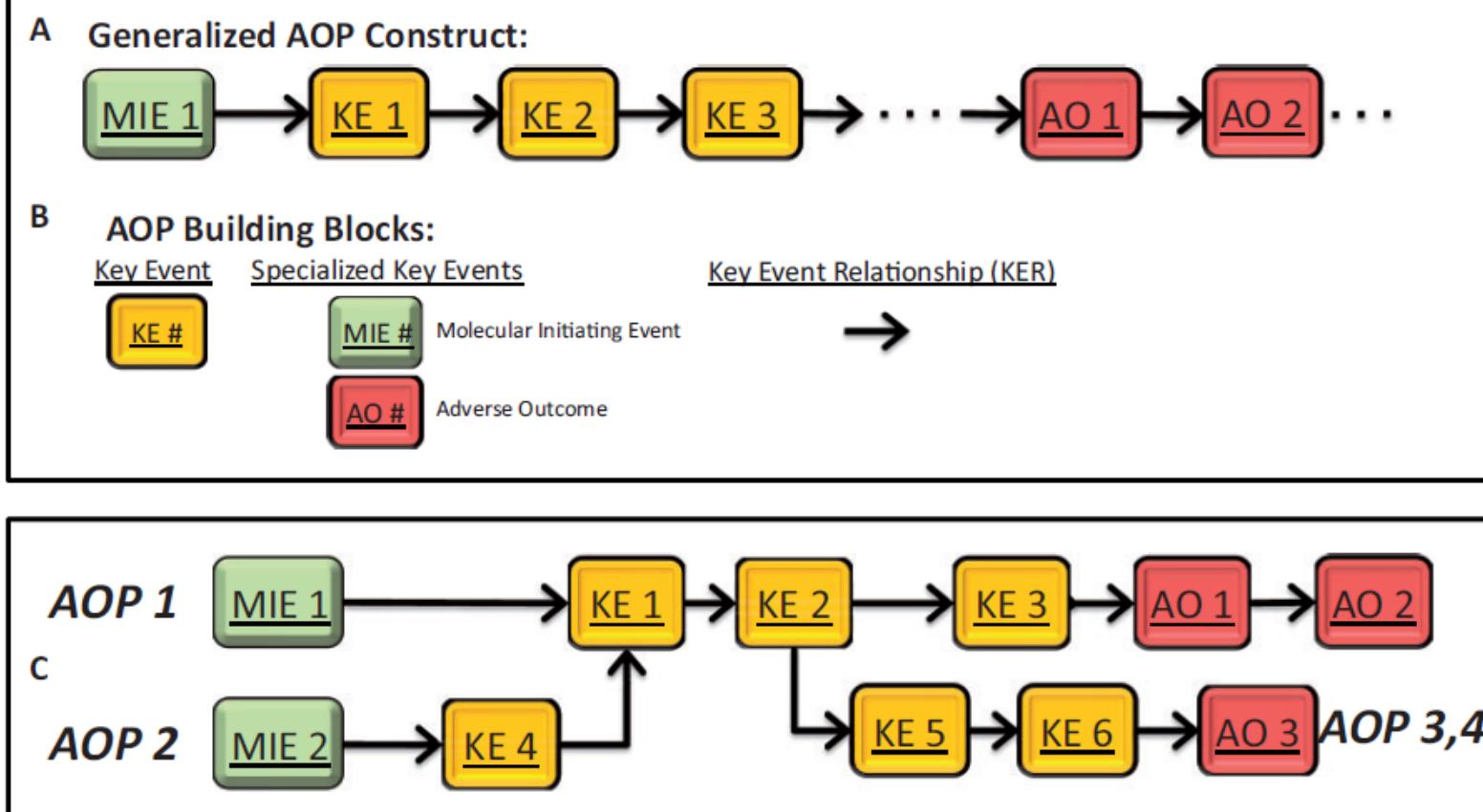
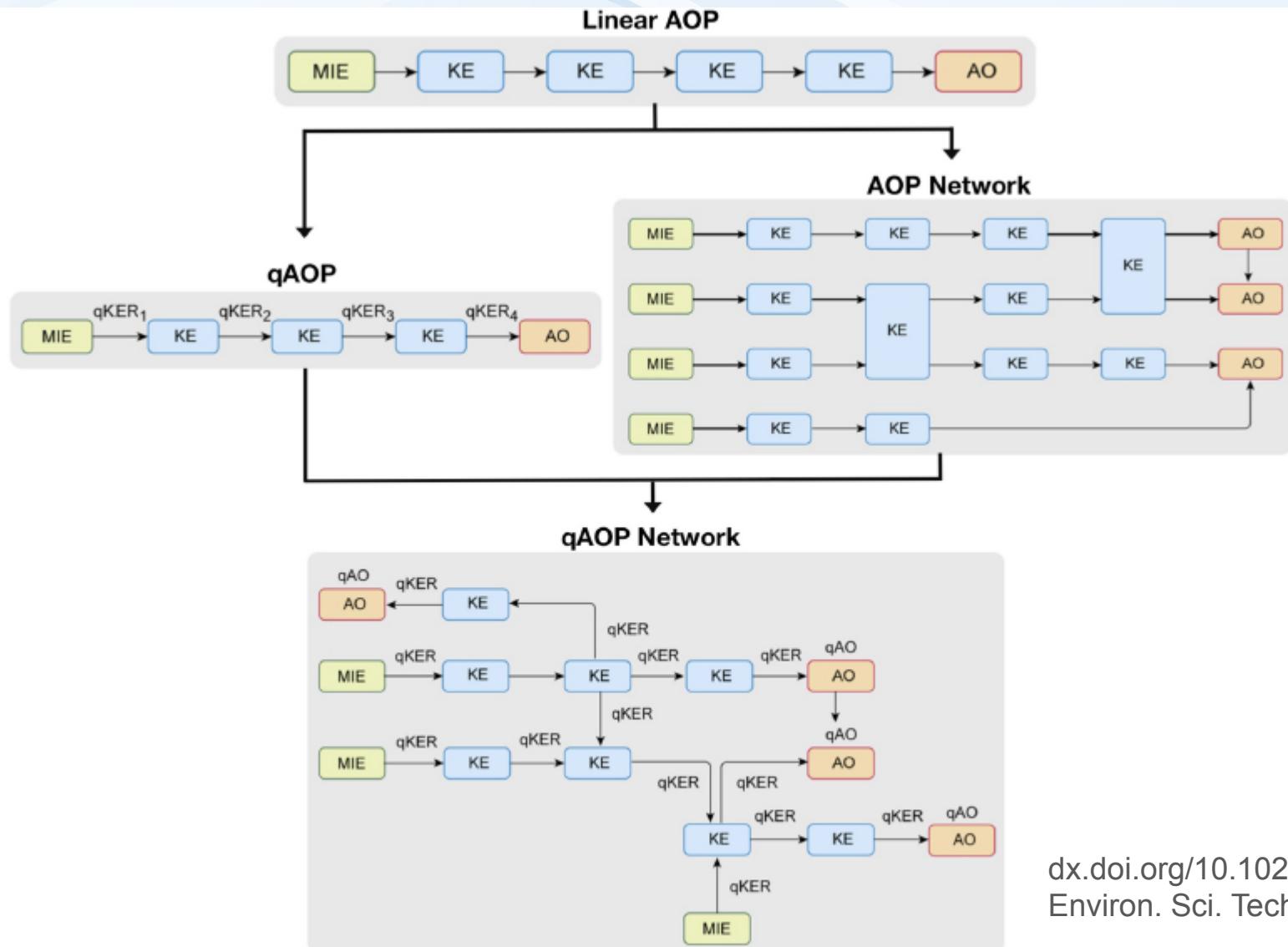


FIG. 1. Graphical representation of a generalized adverse outcome pathway (AOP; A). Each AOP is composed of two key components (B), key events (KEs) and key event relationships (KERS). Additionally, there are two specialized KEs, molecular initiating events (MIEs) and adverse outcomes (AOs) that anchor an AOP description. Individual AOPs sharing KEs or KERS can be represented as an AOP network (C). The AOP network depicted is composed of four individual AOPs, each representing a unique sequence of KEs linking an MIE to AO: AOP 1 [MIE1, KE1, KE2, KE3, AO1, AO2]; AOP 2 [MIE2, KE4, KE1, KE2, KE3, AO1, AO2]; AOP 3 [MIE1, KE1, KE2, KE5, KE6, AO3]; AOP 4 [MIE2, KE4, KE1, KE2, KE5, KE6, AO3]. Color image is available in the online version of the article.

# ... further linking of AOPs



[dx.doi.org/10.1021/es504976d](https://dx.doi.org/10.1021/es504976d)  
Environ. Sci. Technol. 2015, 49, 3–9

**Figure 1.** AOPs as pragmatic units and linear structures are rapidly evolving toward AOP networks and quantitative AOPs (qAOPs). In qAOPs, the linkages between two KEs, that is, KER, will be given a weight/value, forming the quantitative KER (qKER).<sup>25</sup> The merging of qAOPs and AOP networks will eventually lead to qAOP networks.

# Jaké AOPs jsou v AOP Wiki (data z května 2016)



OECD Endorsed (WNT and TFHA)	1	Covalent Protein binding leading to Skin Sensitisation
EAGMST Approved	6	1x ecotoxicology: Aromatase inhibition leading to reproductive dysfunction (in fish)
EAGMST Under Review	12	
EAGMST Under Development	84	
SAAOP AOP Under Development	15	

- OECD Extended Advisory Group on Molecular Screening and Toxicogenomics (EAG MST)
- The Working Group of the National Coordinators of the Test Guidelines Programme (WNT)

# AOPs Ready for Commenting

OECD Endorsed (WNT and TFHA)

Click [here](#) for links to the official OECD versions

## Title

[Covalent Protein binding leading to Skin Sensitisation](#)

EAGMST Approved

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## Title

[Alkylation of DNA in male pre-meiotic germ cells leading to heritable mutations](#) 

[Androgen receptor agonism leading to reproductive dysfunction](#) 

[Aromatase inhibition leading to reproductive dysfunction \(in fish\)](#) 

[Binding of agonists to ionotropic glutamate receptors in adult brain causes excitotoxicity that mediates neuronal cell death, contributing to learning and memory impairment.](#) 

[Chronic binding of antagonist to N-methyl-D-aspartate receptors \(NMDARs\) during brain development induces impairment of learning and memory abilities](#) 

[Protein Alkylation leading to Liver Fibrosis](#) 



# Listing AOPs

Name	MIE	AO
EGFR Activation Leading to Mucus Hypersecretion	EGFR	
5-hydroxytryptamine transporter (5-HTT; SERT) inhibition leading to increased predation	5-HTT	increased predation
Acetylcholinesterase inhibition leading to acute mortality	AChE	acute mortality
Glucocorticoid Receptor (GR) Mediated Adult Leydig Cell Dysfunction Leading to Decreased Male Fertility	GR	decreased male fertility
AhR activation leading to embryo toxicity in fish	AhR	embryo toxicity
Protein Alkylation leading to Liver Fibrosis	Protein alkylation	liver fibrosis
NR1I2 (Pregnane X Receptor, PXR) activation leading to hepatic steatosis	PXR	hepatic steatosis



# AOP Example: MIE aromatase inhibition

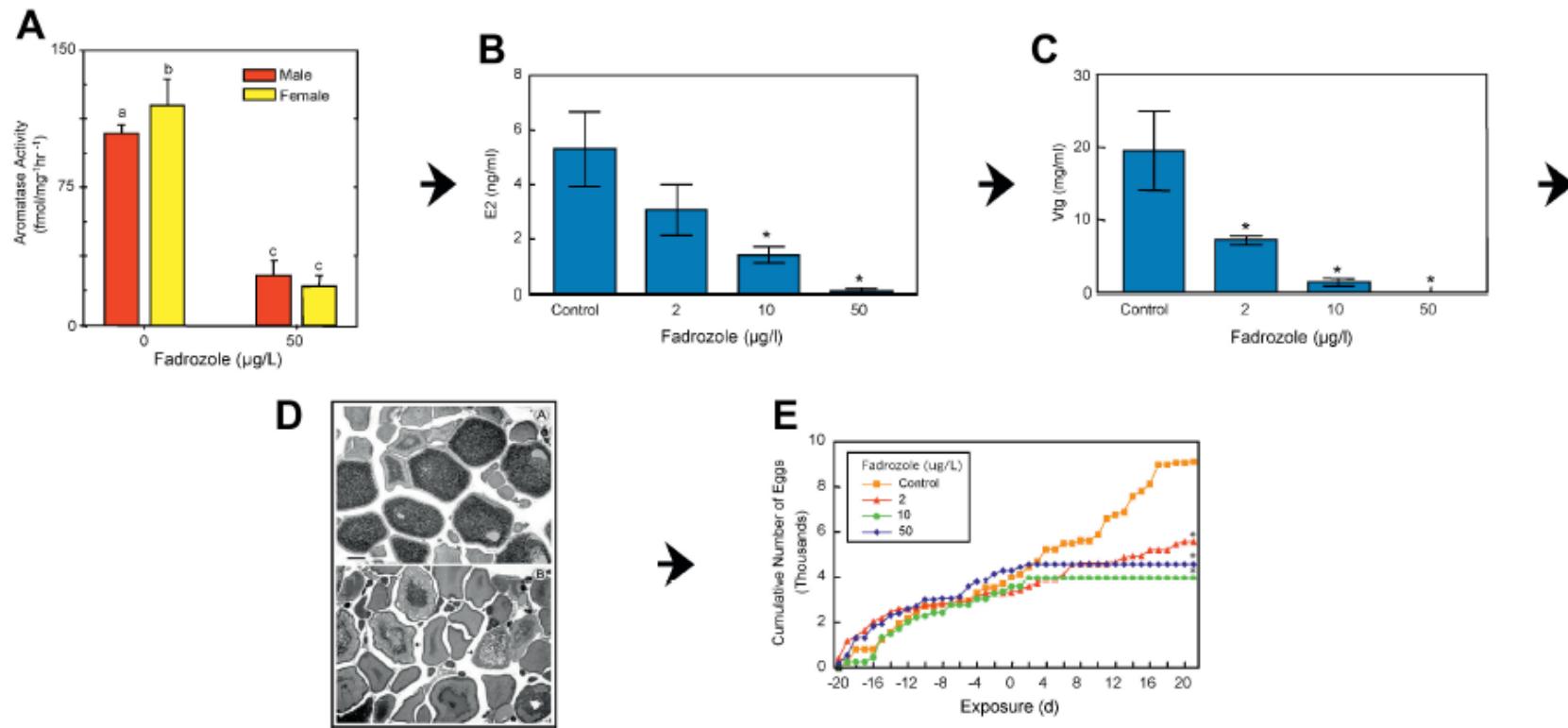
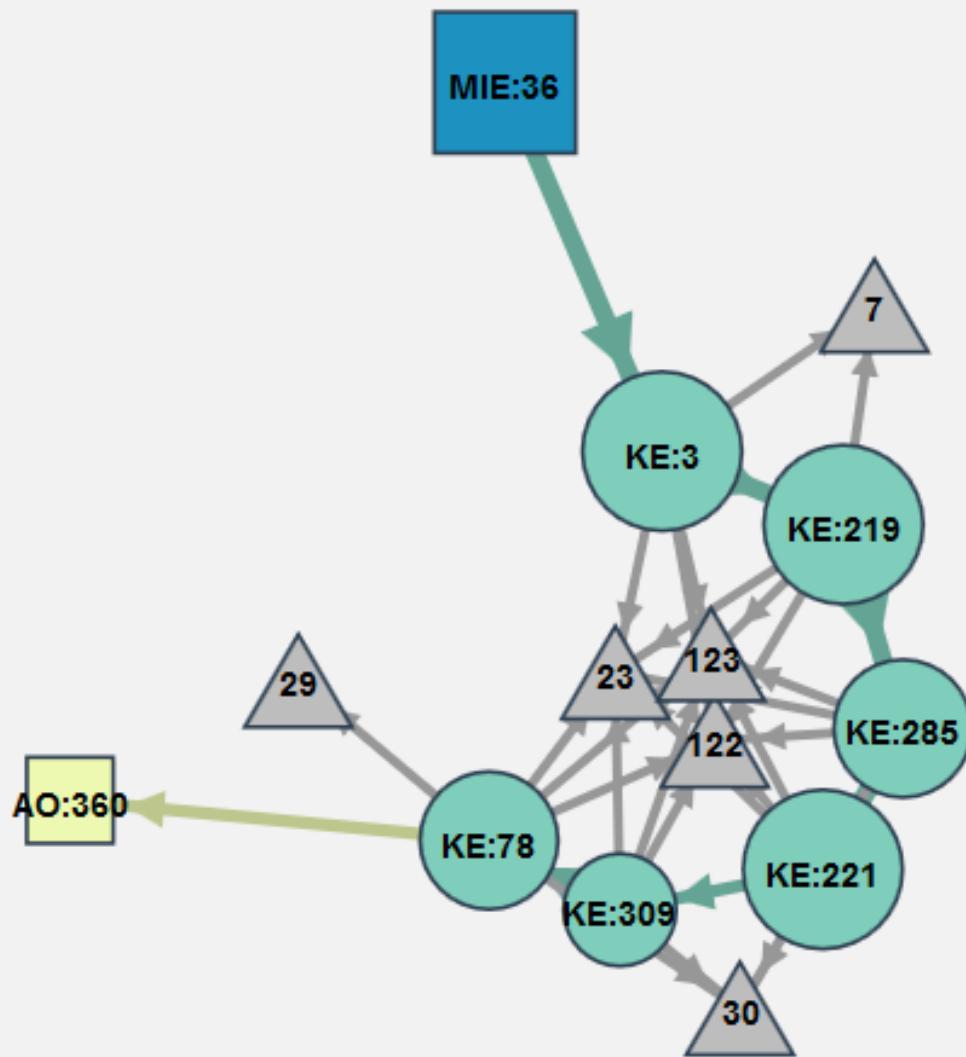


Fig. 3. An adverse outcome pathway in fish [2,50]. Aromatase inhibitor example. (A) Aromatase inhibition by fadrozole; (B) Reduction in circulating estradiol; (C) Reduction in circulating vitellogenin (Vtg); (D) Histopathology of ovarian tissue, top panel normal ovary, bottom panel fadrozole treated; note oocyte atresia; (E) Adverse outcome on egg production–fecundity (© Elsevier, Used with permission.)

Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry, Vol. 30, No. 1, pp. 64–76, 2011

## Aromatase inhibition leading to reproductive dysfunction (in fish)

<https://aopwiki.org/wiki/index.php/Aop:25>



MIE

MIE-1

KE

KE:2

AO

AO:3

Other AOP including  
this KE

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### Indirect relationship



Direct relationship



\*Size of node reflects  
essentiality of event

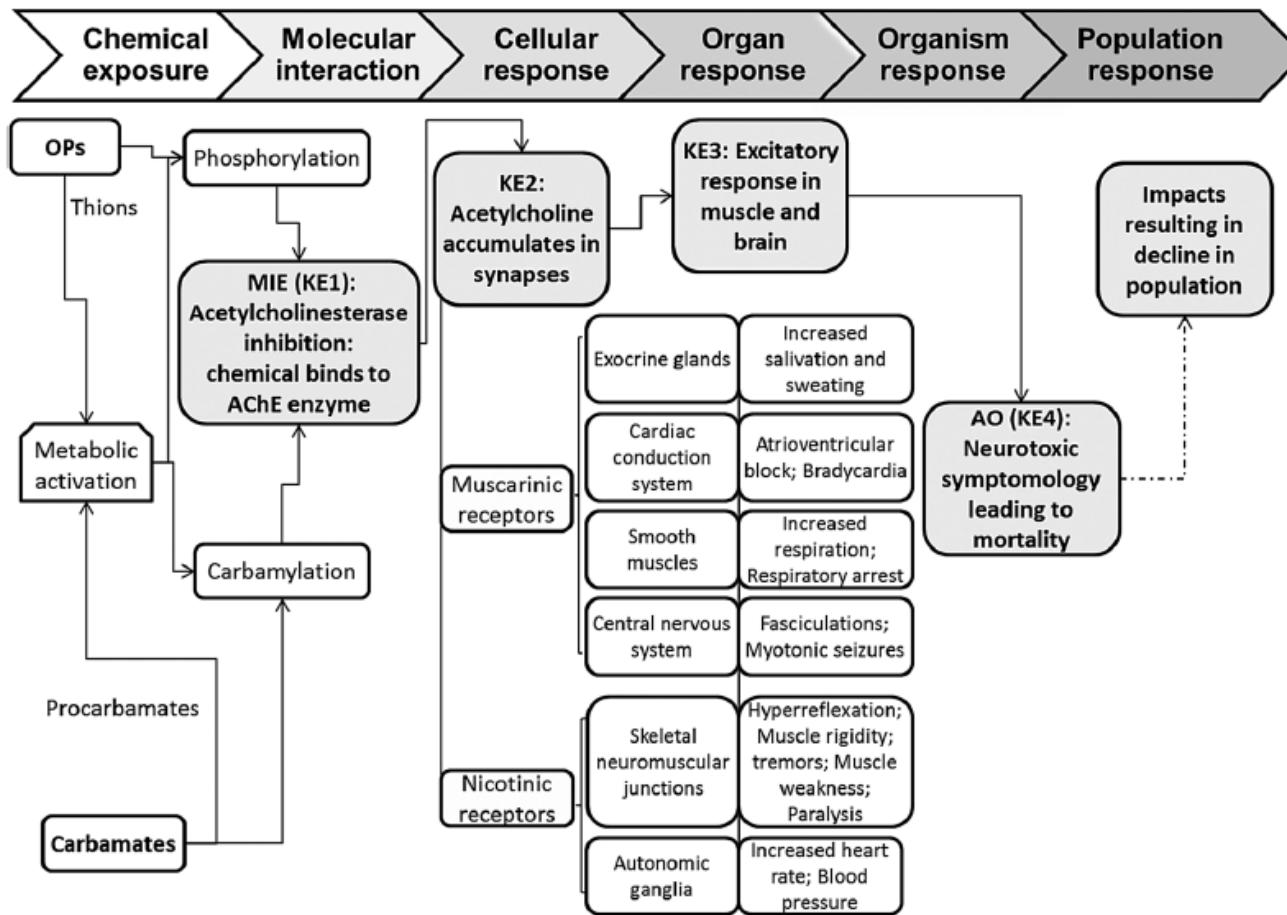
\*Width of line reflects strength  
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# AOP Example: AcChE inhibition → lethality

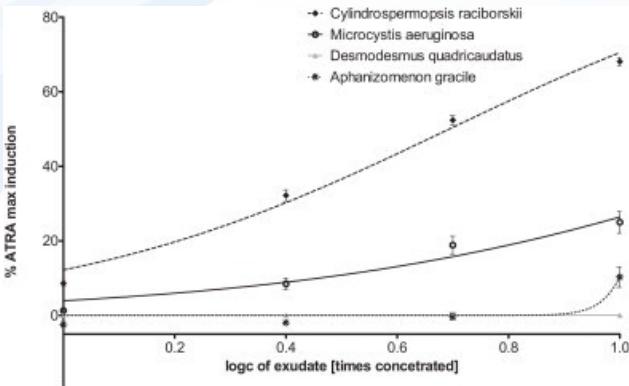
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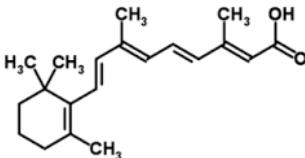


# AOP Example from RECETOX: Modulation of RAR/RXR → developmental toxicity in fish

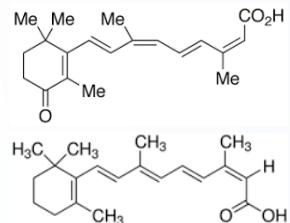


Activation of RAR/RXR

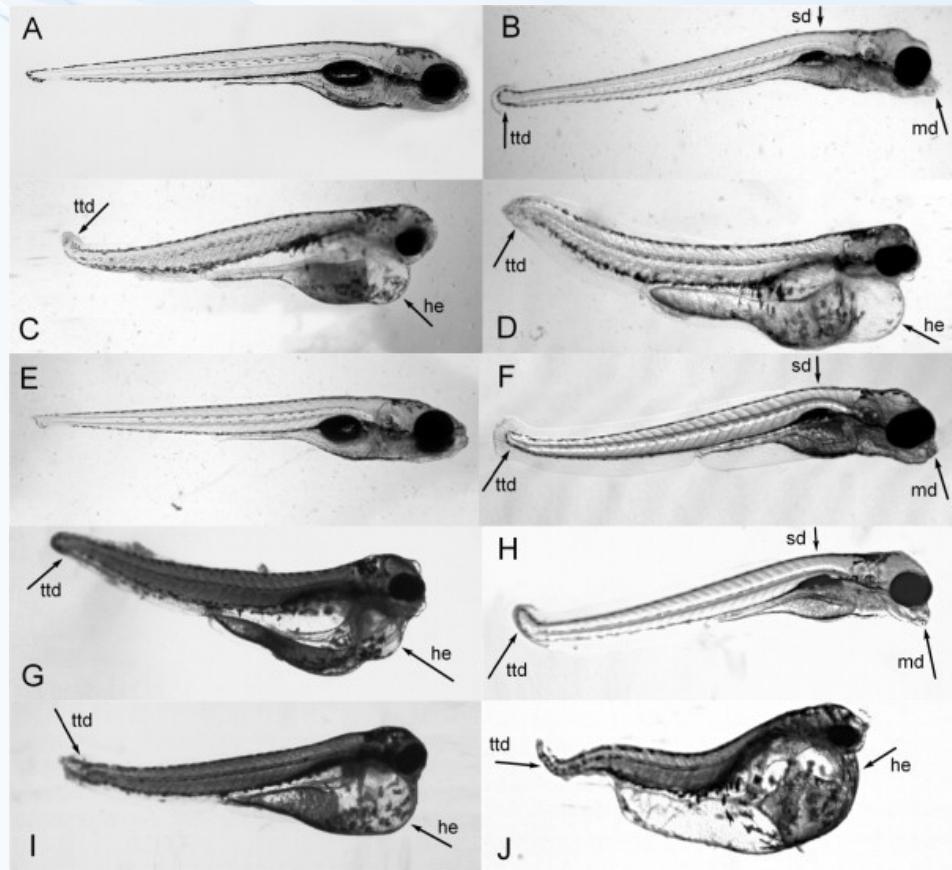
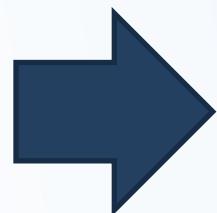
in P19/A15 cells by atRA and cyanobacterial metabolites



atRA



other RAs in cyanos



ZF exposed to ATRA and cyanobacterial (120 hpf) - Control (A), exudates of *C. raciborskii* 3.3 (B) and 10 (C), *M. aeruginosa* 10 (D) and *D. quadridens* 17 (E). ATRA 4 µg/L (13.3 nM) (F), 12 µg/L (40 nM) ((G) and (H)), 36 µg/L (I) and 108 µg/L (J).

# AOPs – další poznámky



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## Applying Adverse Outcome Pathways (AOPs) to support Integrated Approaches to Testing and Assessment (IATA)



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# Workshop – AOPs: From Research to Regulation

- September 3-5, 2014 (NIH Campus, Bethesda, Maryland, USA)
- 150 participants (90% USA, also Canada, UK, Germany, Italy, Belgium, Denmark...)
- OECD, NIH (NIEHS, NICEATM, NLM, NCATS), US EPA, US FDA, EU-JRC, John Hopkins CAAT, US Army ...
- Dow Chemical, Bayer, Syngenta, American Chemistry Council, Lorillard Tobacco, British American Tobacco, General Electric Co., ExxonMobil, Agilent, ...
- Academia – universities, research institutes



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Workshop report

## Adverse outcome pathways: From research to regulation scientific workshop report

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# Effectopedia

The Online Encyclopedia of Adverse Effect Pathways

- <http://www.effectopedia.org/> -> link to program download
- Visually Expresses AOPs in their **biological context**:
  - Life-stage, Taxonomy, Gender, Time-to-effect..
- **Quantitative Relationships**
- **ADME** (Absorption, Distribution, Metabolism, Excretion)
- Open-knowledge, crowd-sourcing
- Formal approval not required to enter / modify
- Credit to authors / reviewers
- Even fragments of information are welcome (any contribution)
- Export<->Import from/to AOP Wiki & others



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## Related Projects & Studies & Databases

- **TOXNET - <http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov/>**
  - searching databases on toxicology, hazardous chemicals, environmental health, and toxic releases
- **Tox21 - <http://www.epa.gov/ncct/Tox21/>**
  - 10,000 chemicals
  - 14 concentrations, 4 logs, 3 replicates
  - 1536 well plates, 2-8 uL volumes
  - 50+ assays
- **ToxCast - <http://www.epa.gov/ncct/toxcast/>**
  - App. 2000 chemicals
  - 700+ assay, 300 signaling pathways
  - DATA AVAILABLE iCSS Dashboard
    - <http://actor.epa.gov/dashboard>
    - <http://www.epa.gov/ncct/toxcast/data.html>



## Related Projects & Studies & Databases

- **ToxRefDB** (Toxicity Reference Database)
  - *in vivo* toxicological data
  - <http://actor.epa.gov/toxrefdb/faces/Home.jsp>
- **ExpoCast**
  - information on human exposures
  - <http://www.epa.gov/ncct/expocast/>
- **Human Toxome Project**
  - information on human exposures
  - <http://www.ewg.org/sites/humantoxome/>
- **Agriculture Health Study**
  - Occupational Exposure to Pesticides – a cohort study
  - <http://aghealth.nih.gov/>

# Modeły SAR a QSAR



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# SAR, QSAR

- **SAR = Structure Activity Relationships**
  - hledání vztahů mezi STRUKTUROU a AKTIVITOU látek (*struktura -> eko-toxicita*)
  - předpovědi efektů bez nutnosti experimentálních testování
- **Řada přístupů**
  - kvalitativní
    - přítomnost určité charakteristiky implikuje aktivitu (*vlastnost*)
      - *dlouhý alifatický řetězec -> afinita k membránám*
  - **kvantitativní (=QSAR – Quantitative SAR)**
    - matematický popis vztahů
      - jednorozměrné vztahy – korelace, regresní vztahy ...
      - vícerozměrné modelování (*PCA, PLS*), neuronové sítě ...



# SAR, QSAR v ekotoxikologii

- Techniky QSAR původně vyvinuty pro design farmak
- Aplikace SAR, QSAR v ekotoxikologii
  - předpovědi environmentálně významných parametrů látek
    - *logKow*
    - *biokoncentrace, bioakumulace*
    - *předpovědi biodegradability a metabolismu*
      - odhady rychlosti degradace  $t_{1/2}$ , vznikající metabolity
    - předpovědi toxicity



# Princip vývoje modelu QSAR

- **1) Vstupní data – ZNÁMÉ údaje**
  - Skupina podobných látek
  - Známá (změřená) vlastnost – např. aktivita / toxicita
  - Známá fyz-chem data (stovky různých parametrů)
- **2) Hledání modelu ve známých datech**
  - Např. Aktivita = a \* parametr1 + b \* parametr2 + c
  - (viz příklady dále)
- **3) Využití modelu pro předpověď „Aktivity“ neznámé látky**
  - Fyz-chem parametry → dosazení do modelu → výpočet „toxicity“

Příklad – vstupní data pro QSAR

Structure	Activity	Aktivita				Chemická data		
		V1	Apol	X1	X2	X3	X4	
1.	3.150	1.06E+04	270.566	7.139	133.003			
2.	3.450	9.55E+03	242.417	2.056	100.681			
3.	4.130	1.17E+04	252.990	1.037	103.760			
4.	3.450	1.17E+04	257.214	2.313	109.687			
5.	3.690	8.65E+03	215.372	1.028	90.970			
6.	4.010	1.17E+04	242.563	2.286	93.813			
7.	4.280	1.17E+04	251.587	1.558	100.894			



# SAR, QSAR - příklady

- Předpovědi environmentálně významných parametrů chemických látek (*viz také úvod přednášek*)
  - Fyzikálně chemické parametry
- Log P (log Kow) → Příklady software, různé modely a principy výpočtu
  - ClogP ([www.biobbyte.com](http://www.biobbyte.com))
  - KOWWIN ([esc.syrres.com](http://esc.syrres.com))  
([www.epa.gov/oppt/exposure/docs/episuitedi.htm](http://www.epa.gov/oppt/exposure/docs/episuitedi.htm))
  - SLIPPER ([www.ibmh.msk.su/qsar/molpro](http://www.ibmh.msk.su/qsar/molpro))
  - KlogP ([www.multicase.com](http://www.multicase.com))
  - ABSOLV ([www.sirius-analytical.com](http://www.sirius-analytical.com))
  - ProLogP ([www.compudrug.com](http://www.compudrug.com))
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  - ACD ([www.acdlabs.com](http://www.acdlabs.com))
  - QikProp ([www.schrodinger.com](http://www.schrodinger.com))
  - AP-Algorithms ([www.ap-algorithms.com](http://www.ap-algorithms.com))
  - ProPred ([www.capec.kt.dtu.dk](http://www.capec.kt.dtu.dk))
  - Cerius<sup>2</sup> ([www.accelrys.com](http://www.accelrys.com))
  - QMPRPlus ([www.simulations-plus.com](http://www.simulations-plus.com))



# SAR, QSAR - příklady

## – Předpověď biokoncentrace

Modely doporučované TGD (*technical guidelines*) při registraci nových chemických látok v EU:

$$\log K_{ow} < 6$$

$$\log BCF = 0.85 \log K_{ow} - 0.7$$

$$\log K_{ow} \text{ values } 6 - 10$$

$$\log BCF = -0.2 \log K_{ow}^2 + 2.74 \log K_{ow} - 4.72$$

## – Předpověď biodegradability také někdy: QSBR

- jednoduché korelace degradabilita- chemický parametr
- sčítání vlivu charakteristických subdomén na degradabilitu ("+" degradace, "-" stabilita)  
-> *suma pro celou molekulu = degradability score*

**Table 11.** Molecular structures and groups used by Geating (1981) to evaluate biodegradability

Description	Coefficient <sup>a</sup>
Single occurrence of sulfur in a ring	-13.9
More than two carbocyclic rings	-10.5
Alkyl chain ( $\text{CH}_2$ ) or $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_{n-1}$ where $n = 10$ or more (chain fragment)	5.03
One benzene ring	3.94
More than one $-\text{N}=$ or $\text{HN}=$ group (substituent fragment)	-12.1
One $-\text{C}=\text{O}$ group (sub. fragment)	4.71
Atoms other than C, H, O, N, S, or halogen	5.01
One $-\text{OH}$ group (sub. fragment)	3.03
Substituent hydroxylamine	-16.4
Single occurrence of carbonyl in a ring	6.16
Substituent primary amide	-11.0
Presence of suffix	-4.80
More than one $-\text{O}-$ group (chain fragment)	-5.44

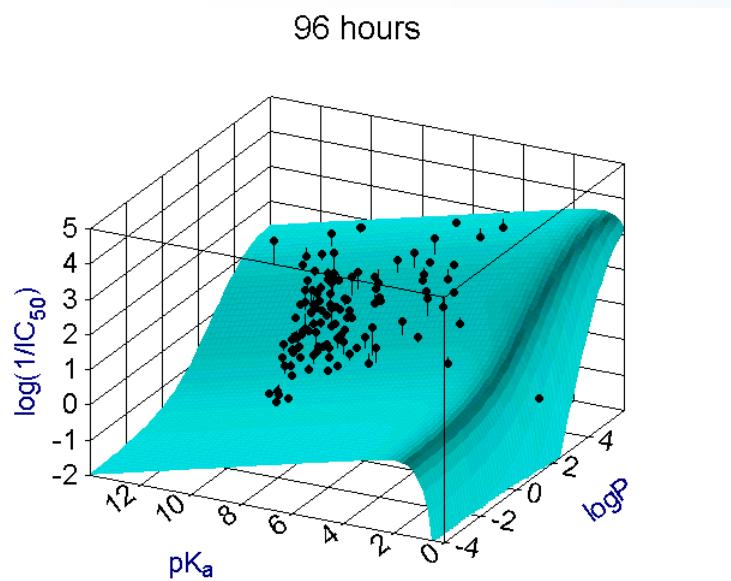
# SAR, QSAR - příklady

- Předpovědi toxicity (také označováno – QSTR – Quantitative STRUCTURE-TOXICITY relationships)

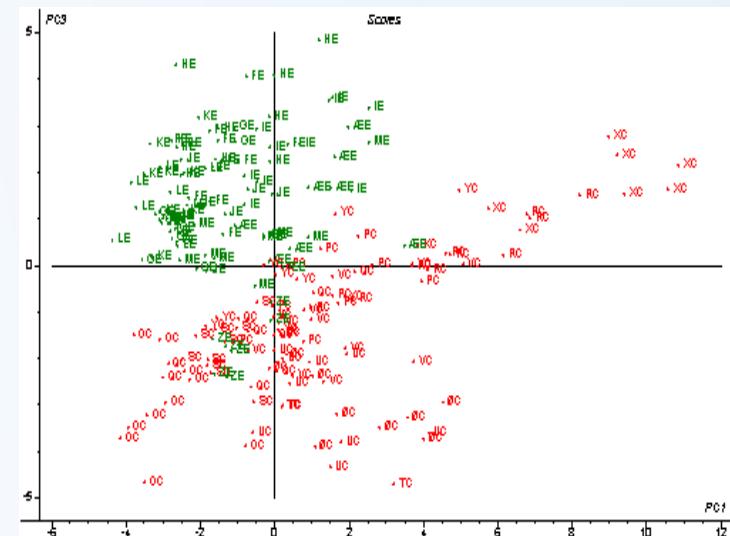
Př 1 – toxicita narkotických látek pro ryby (využívána např. i pro účely REACH)

$$\log(1/\text{LC50}) = 0.907 \cdot \log \text{Kow} - 4.94$$

Př 2 – toxicita fenolů pro korýše – vícenásobná regrese  
(nepolární narkoza –  $\log P$ , polární toxicita –  $pK_a$ )



Př 3 – vícerozměrné modelování:  
výsledek analýzy hlavních komponent (PCA)  
- výstup : odlišení toxicitých a netoxických látek



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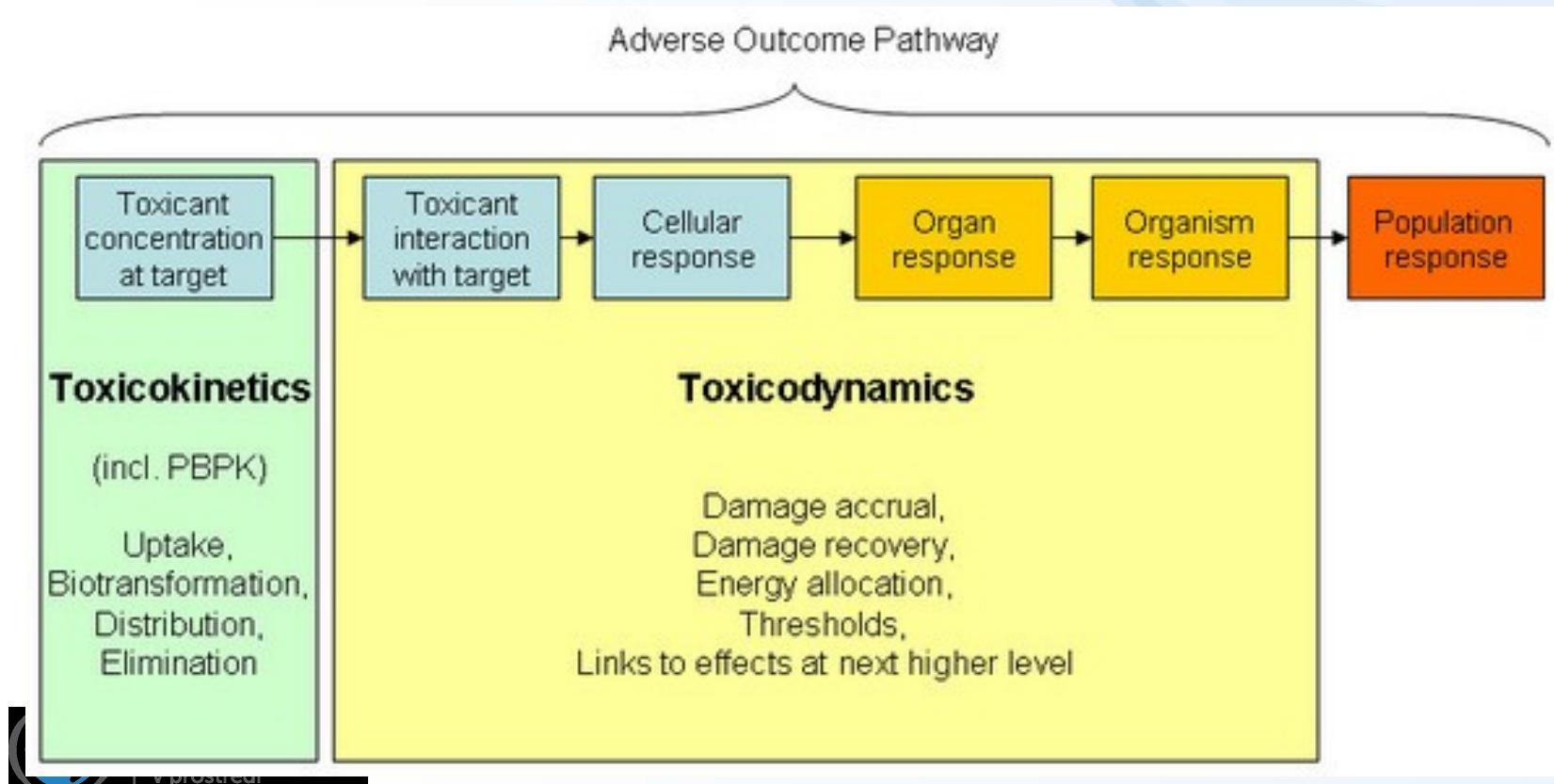
# Adverse outcome pathways

Viz také dříve v přednáškách:

**Dokážeme z koncentrace látky v prostředí předpovědět (matematicky) účinky ?**

Základem je dokonalé porozumění

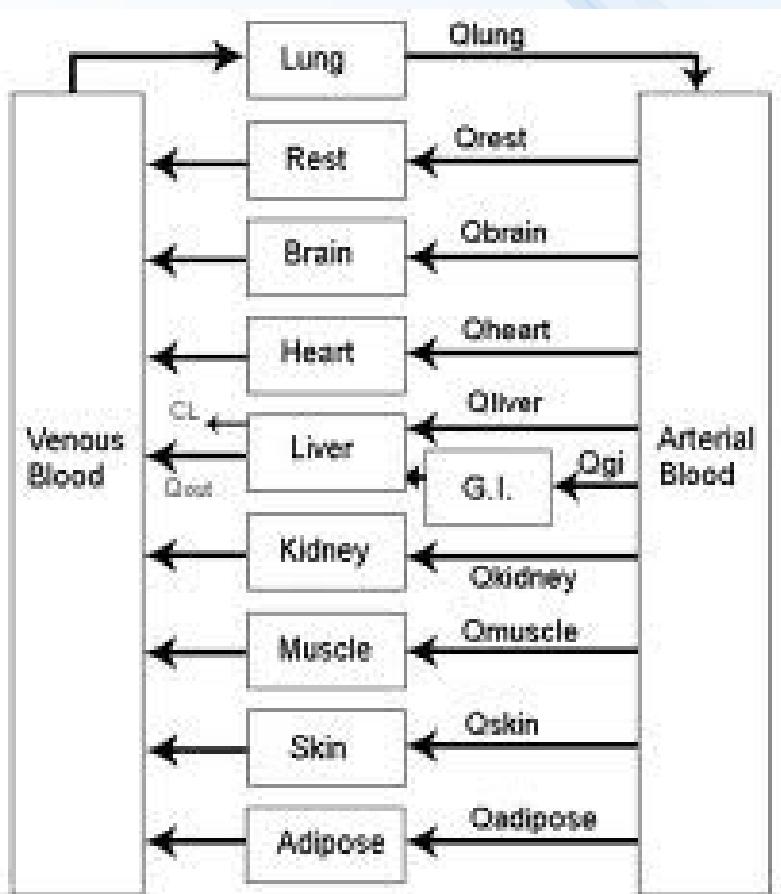
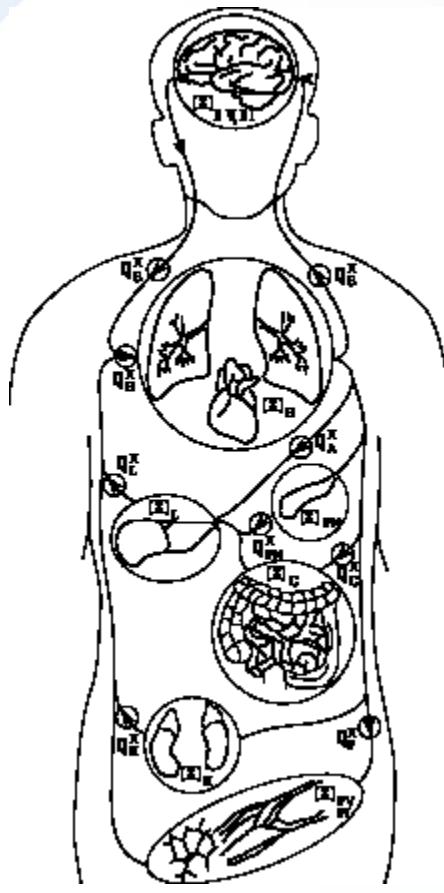
1) toxikokinetice (modely PBPK – viz dále) a 2) následně mechanismům (dynamika)



# PBPK modely

PBPK (PBTK)

Physiologically based pharmacokinetic (toxicokinetic) models



Vnitřní „rozdělení“ organismu  
a parametrizace běžících procesů

→ Složitý model  
: Predikce koncentrací v jednotlivých tkáních



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# Kvantitativní mechanistické modelování

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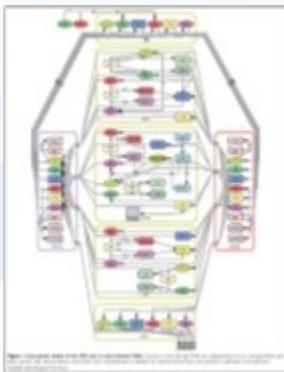
## A computational model of the hypothalamic - pituitary - gonadal axis in female fathead minnows (*Pimephales promelas*) exposed to $17\alpha$ -ethynodiol and $17\beta$ -trenbolone

Zhenhong Li<sup>1</sup>, Kevin J Kroll<sup>2</sup>, Kathleen M Jensen<sup>3</sup>, Daniel L Villeneuve<sup>3</sup>, Gerald T Ankley<sup>3</sup>, Jayne V Brian<sup>4</sup>, María S Sepúlveda<sup>5</sup>, Edward F Orlando<sup>6</sup>, James M Lazorchak<sup>7</sup>, Mitchell Kostich<sup>7</sup>, Brandon Armstrong<sup>8</sup>, Nancy D Denslow<sup>2</sup> and Karen H Watanabe<sup>1\*</sup>

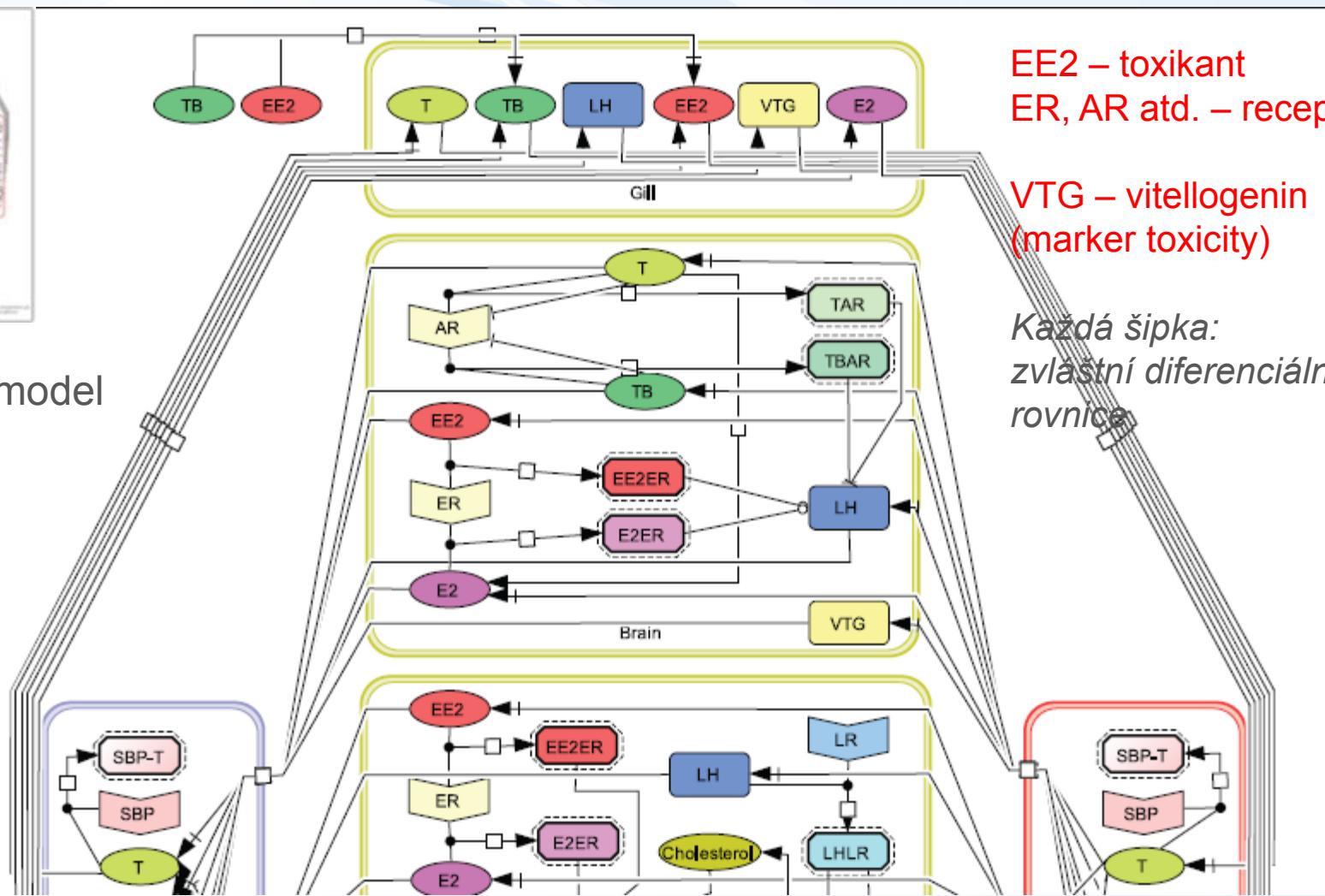


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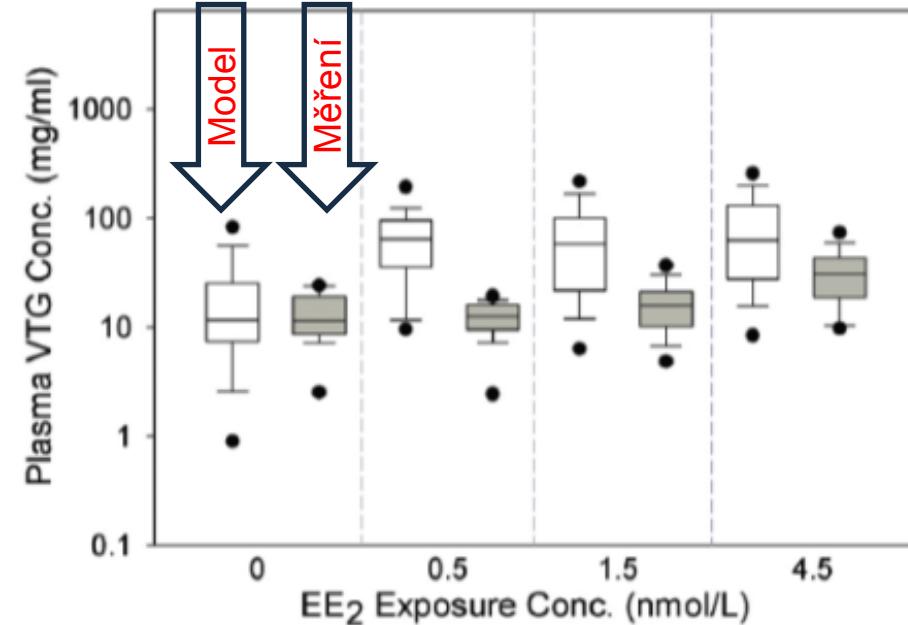
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Koncepční model  
→ ZOOM



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**Figure 6 Comparison of model predictions with measured data in female FHM<sub>s</sub> exposed to EE<sub>2</sub>.  $n = 28$  at each sampling time.**  
White boxes represent model predictions, and grey boxes represent measured data [42]. The x-axis represents EE<sub>2</sub> concentrations in ng/L. The solid line within the box marks the median; the boundary of the box farthest from zero indicates the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile; the boundary of the box closest to zero indicates the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile; the whisker (error bar) farthest from zero marks the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile; whisker (error bar) closest to zero marks the 10<sup>th</sup> percentile; the circle farthest from zero marks the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile; and the circle closest to zero marks the 5<sup>th</sup> percentile.

Výsledek:

Srovnání  
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# Kvantitativní mechanistické modelování

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### Abstract

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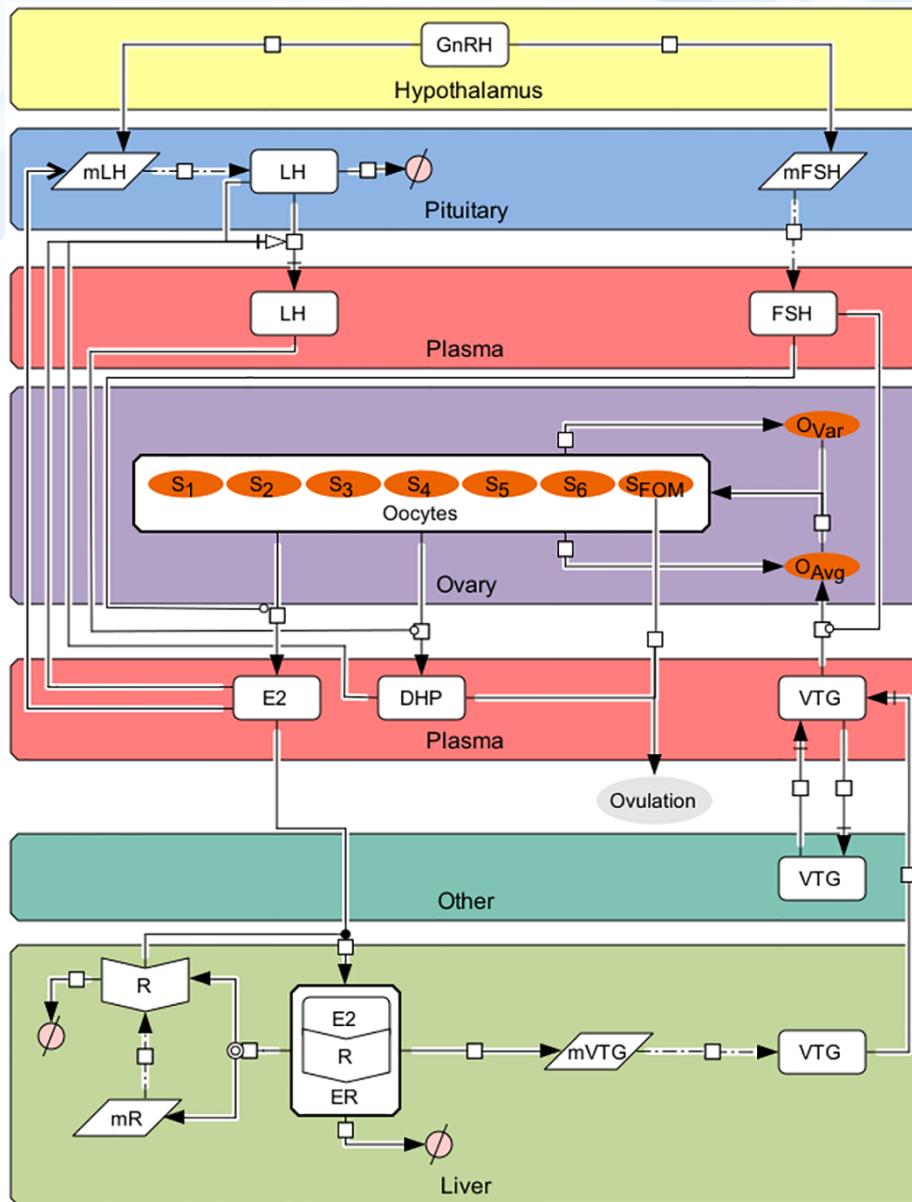
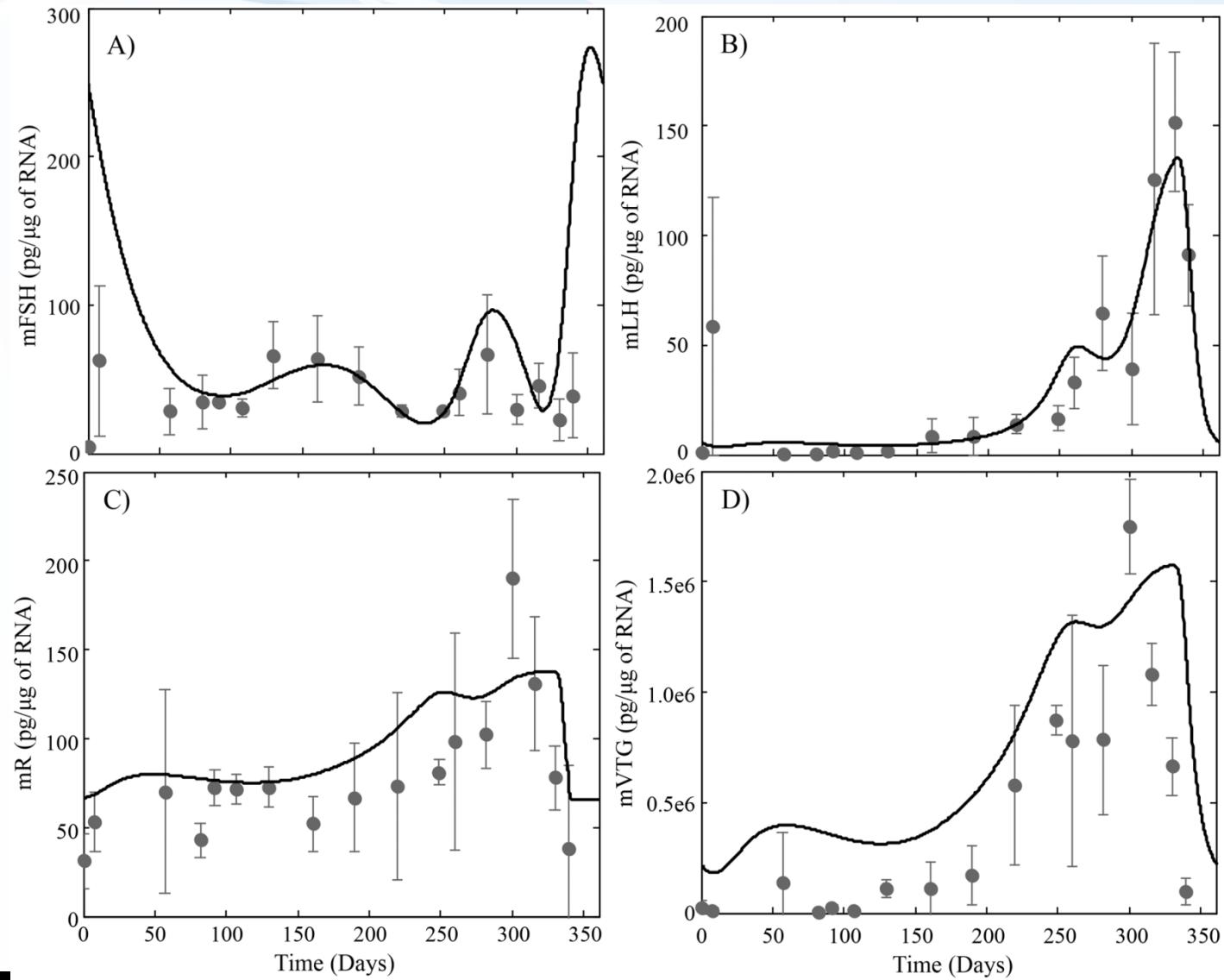


Fig 1. The HPOL signaling network in rainbow trout as formulated in our model.

Arrows and symbols on graph follow CellDesigner vs. 4.4 notation ([www.celldesigner.org](http://www.celldesigner.org)). GnRH is secreted from the hypothalamus into the pituitary stimulating the production of mFSH and mLH, which then leads to formation of FSH and LH, respectively. FSH, which is being continuously secreted from the pituitary, travels to the ovaries to stimulate production of E2. E2 then travels to the liver to bind with E2 receptors (R; translated from mR) to form ER. ER then stimulates the production of mVTG, which produces VTG<sub>L</sub>. Secreted VTG then travels from the liver to the ovaries via the plasma (VTG<sub>P</sub>) where it is absorbed by follicles in stages 3 through 6 (the proportion of follicles in these stages are denoted by S<sub>j</sub>, j = 3, 4, 5, and 6) during vitellogenesis, the rate of which is affected by FSH<sub>P</sub>, to promote oocyte growth (O<sub>Avg</sub>). Oocyte growth then progresses the oocytes through the stages using a Weibull distribution created from O<sub>Avg</sub> together with O<sub>Var</sub>. In the later stages LH<sub>P</sub> stimulates the oocytes to produce DHP. Finally, oocytes undergo final maturation (S<sub>FOM</sub>) and combined with DHP, determine when the fish ovulates

# Kvantitativní mechanistické modelování

Fig 3. HPOL model predictions for (A) pituitary levels of  $\text{FSH}_\beta$  subunit mRNA, (B) pituitary levels of  $\text{LH}_\beta$  subunit mRNA, (C) Hepatic levels of E2 receptor mRNA and (D) Hepatic levels of VTG mRNA  
Observed data (dark grey circles; mean TG mRn = 3)



# Nano-eko-toxikologie



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# NANOČÁSTICE

- „NANO“ – relativně nová oblast, řada praktických využití
- **ALE: unikátní vlastnosti**
  - Vlastnosti nanočástic (včetně toxicity) nelze odvodit z vlastností častic z téhož materiálu o větších rozměrech a ani z vlastností chemikálie, ze které je materiál tvořen
- Definice
  - **Nanočástice** (nanoparticles): alespoň jeden rozměr <100 nm
  - **Nanočástice přírodního původu** - „ultrafine particles“ přítomné v přírodních aerosolech nebo jako vedlejší produkt lidské činnosti (prach, dým, kouř apod.)
  - **Vyráběné nanomateriály** (manufactured, engineered NM)
  - **Nanoaerosoly**: aerosoly jednotlivých volných nanočástic nebo nanostrukturálních častic (= aglomerátů nanočástic nebo nanovláken) – přírodního původu nebo vyráběných

# Základní charakteristiky vyráběných NM

- tvar a struktura částic
  - Kulovité nebo nepravidelné částice, trubičky, vlákna, destičky
  - Homogenní částice (chemická individua)
  - Kompozitní nanomateriály (jádro a obal)
  - Nanočástice 3. a 4. generace (budoucnost: různé komponenty se specializovanými funkcemi („nanodevices“))

# Základní charakteristiky vyráběných NM

## Kovy

- stříbro
- zlato
- železo
- *další*

## Oxidy kovů

- $\text{TiO}_2$
- $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$
- $\text{SiO}_2$
- $\text{ZnO}$
- $\text{ZrO}_2$
- *další*

## Uhlíkové NM

- nanotrubičky
- fullereny
- saze
- nanodiamanty

## Další anorganické NM

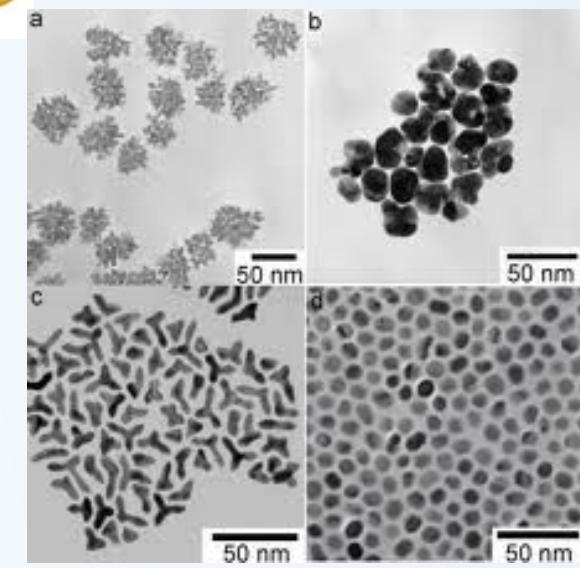
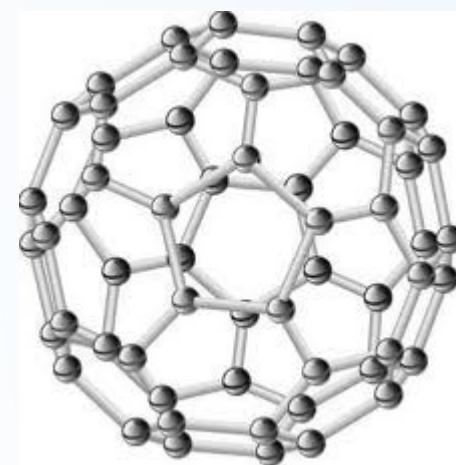
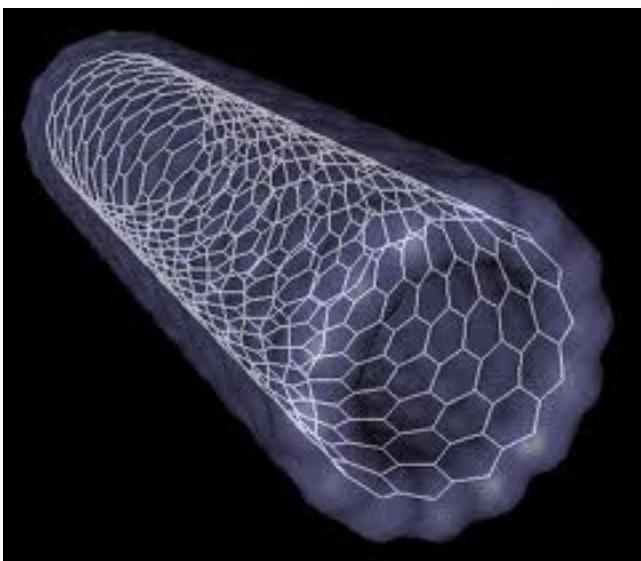
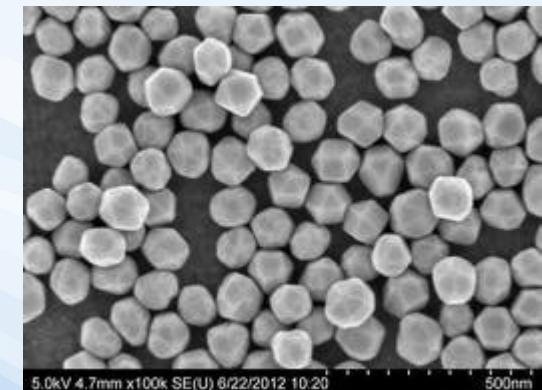
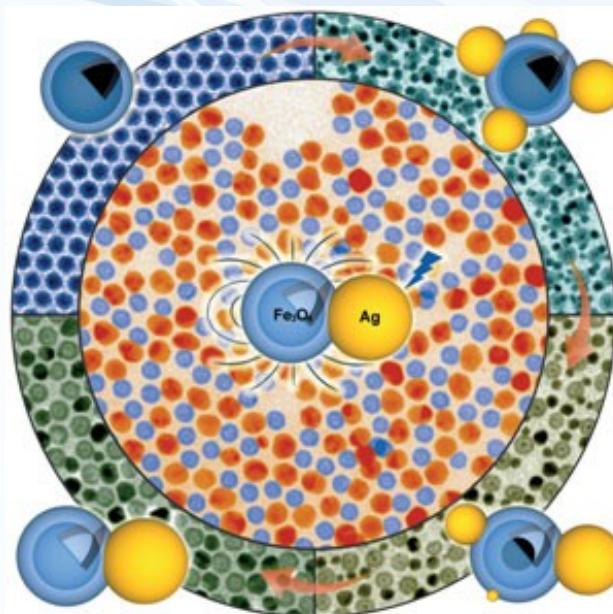
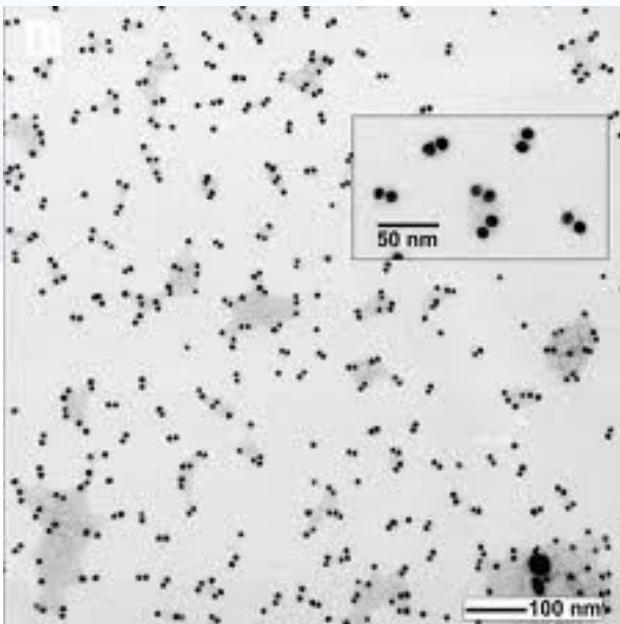
- magnetické materiály
- kompozitní nanomateriály
- kvantové tečky
- silikáty, zeolity, jíly
- anorganická nanovlákna

## Organické NM

- nanovlákna polymerů
- dendrimery
- polystyren

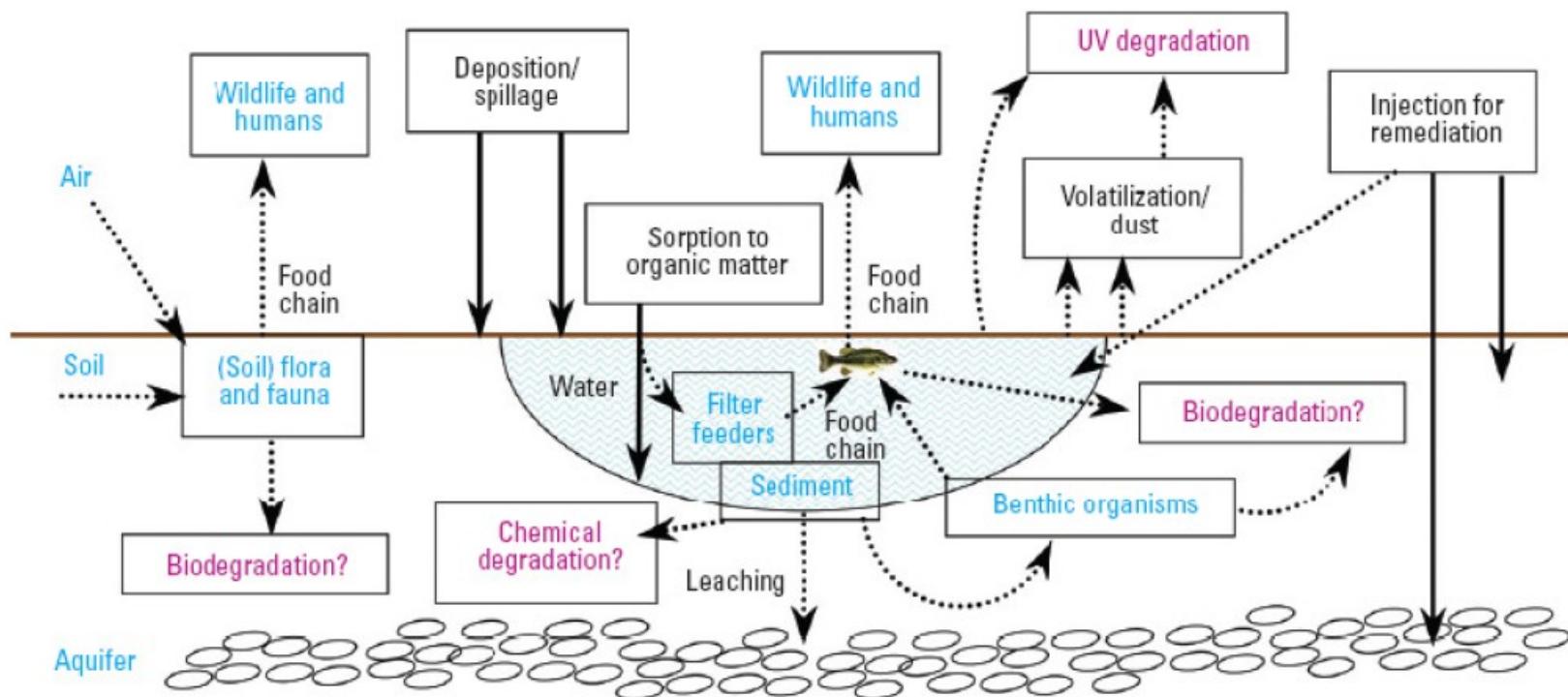


# Příklady - nanočástice



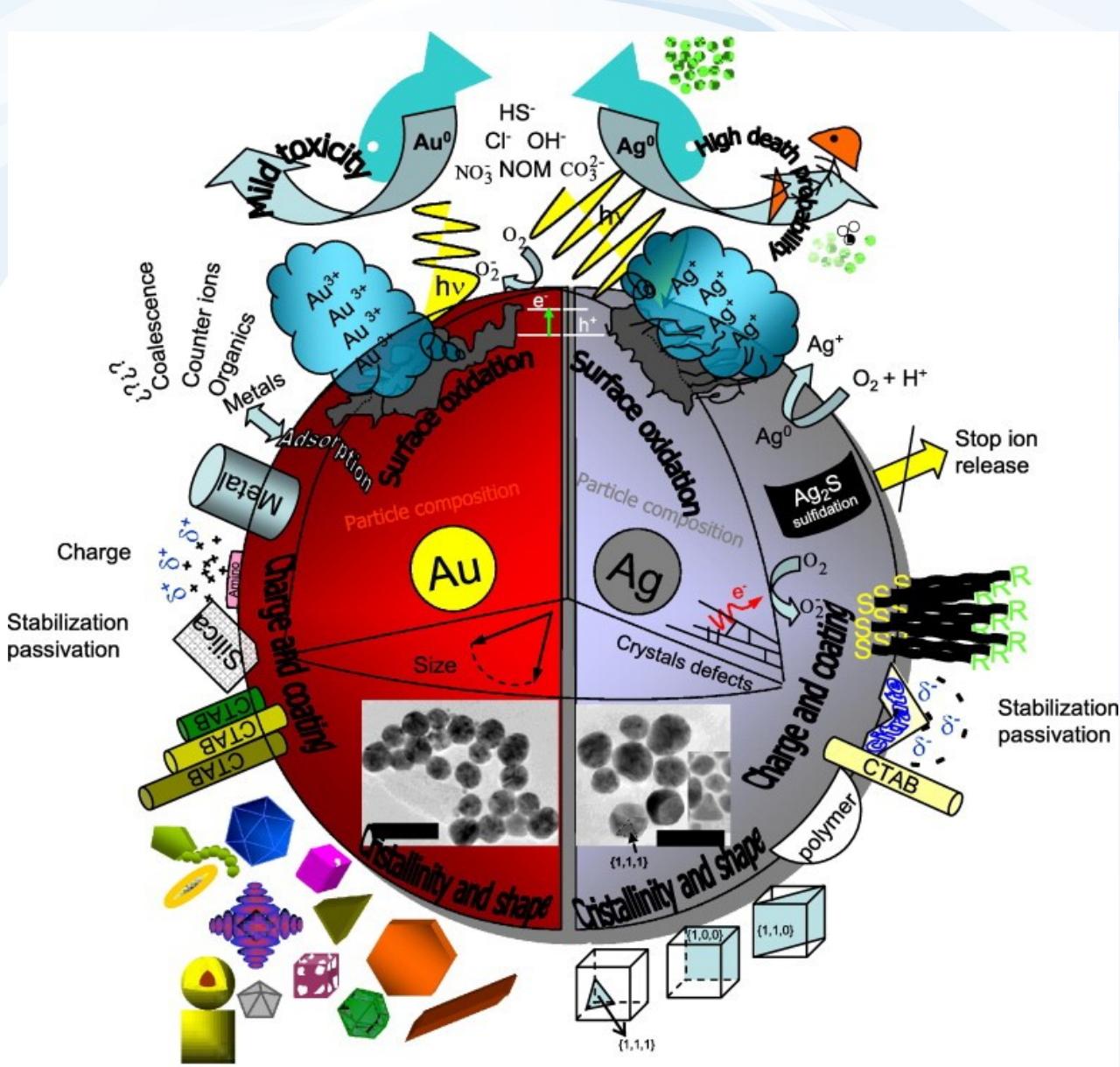
# Nanočástice v prostředí

## Nanoparticle movement through the environment



**Figure 5.** Routes of exposure, uptake, distribution, and degradation of NSPs in the environment. Solid lines indicate routes that have been demonstrated in the laboratory or field or that are currently in use (remediation). Magenta lettering indicates possible degradation routes, and blue lettering indicates possible sinks and sources of NSPs.

# (Eko)toxicita nanočástic – specifické vlastnosti



(Neznámé) parametry částic, které mohou mít vliv na toxicitu

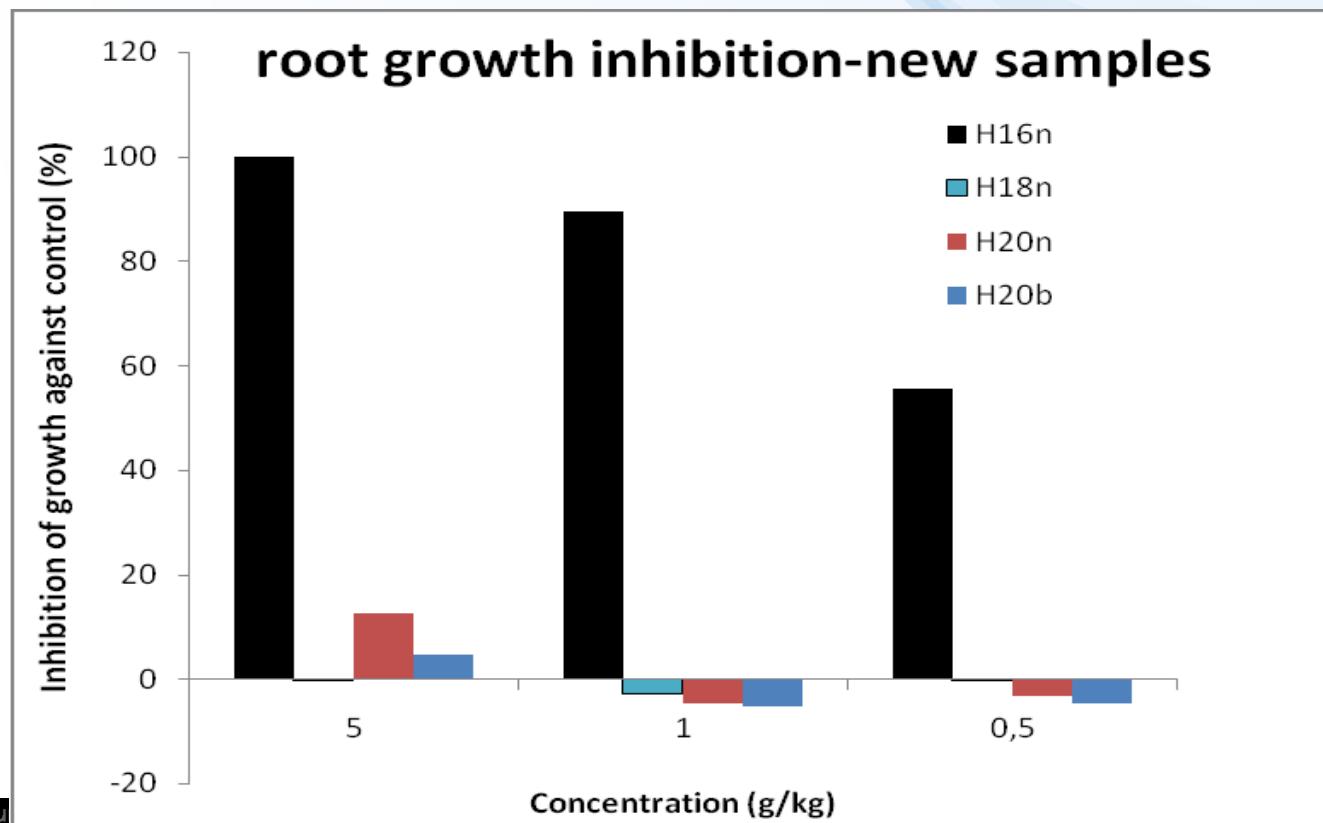
Složení (chemické)  
Povrch (velikost, tvar)  
Náboj  
Stabilita  
Agregace částic  
Interakce s chemikáliemi  
Interakce s ionty

Vliv na osud látek  
Přímá toxicita

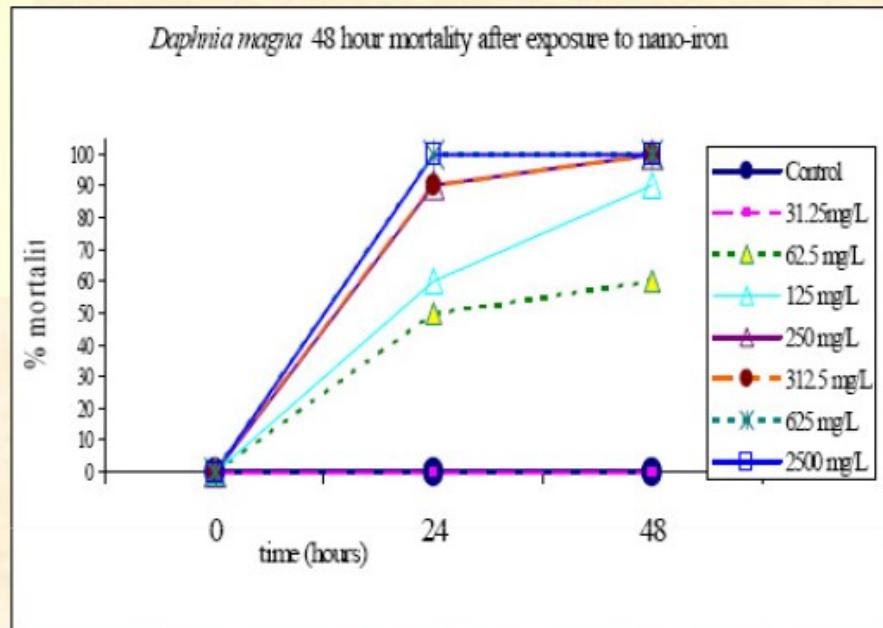
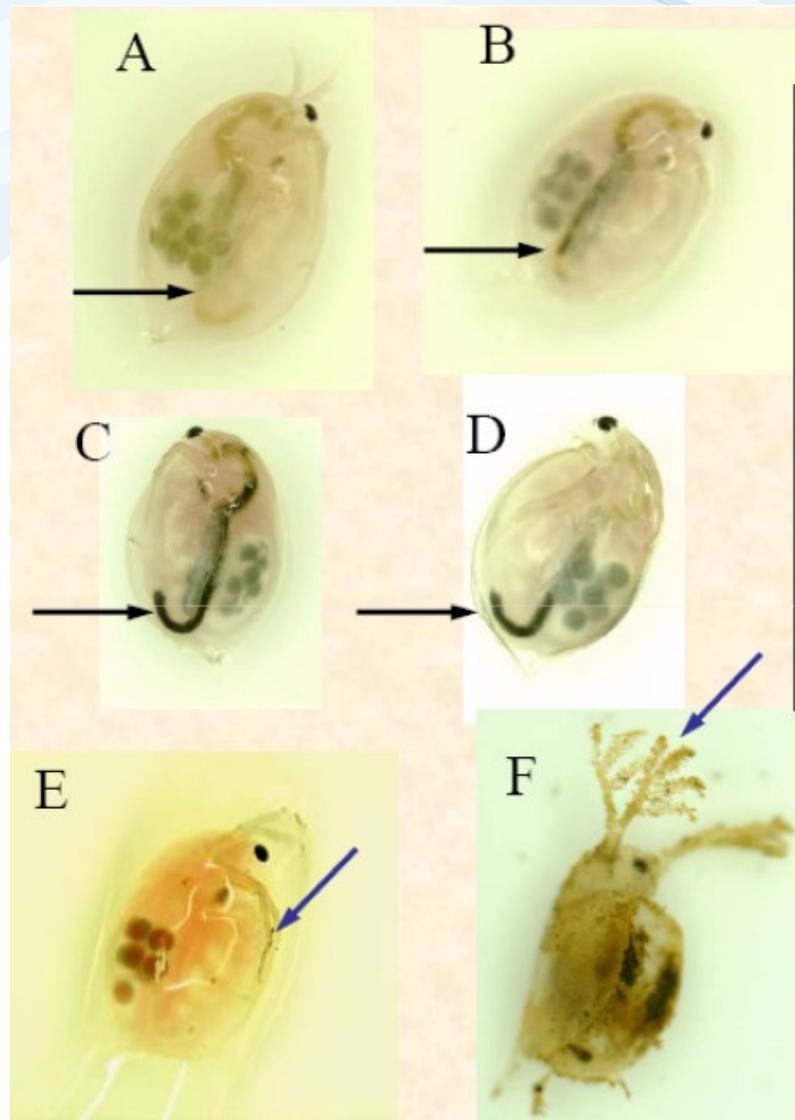
# (Eko)toxicita nanočástic – příklad RECETOX

Toxicita – srovnání - 4 „stejné“ částice (jeden výrobce – 4 různé šarže)  
(zerovalent iron – ZVI –  $\text{Fe}^0$ )

Opakovaně pozorována toxicita u částic H16 – příčina neznámá (žádné změny pH, rozpouštění železa či dalších příměsí ...)



## Nanočástice → mechanické vlivy = toxicita



Daphnia exposed to various concentrations of nano-iron used in remediation. A = control; B = 3 mg/L; C = 7.5 mg/L; D = 15 mg/L; E = 30 mg/L; F = 125 mg/L (dead daphnid). All daphnids shown are 21 days old and eggs are visible in their brood pouches (green circles). Note the darkening of the digestive tract from A (normal greenish color) to D with increased ingestion of nano-iron particles (black arrows). Antennae become clogged with nano-iron in E and F (blue arrows). The 24 and 48 hour mortality curve is shown on the right.

# **Novinky ... stresová biologie**





# Maternal predator-exposure has lifelong consequences for offspring learning in threespined sticklebacks

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Koljušky (ryby), které byly v době kladení vajíček ve stresu (predátor)

→ Snížená schopnost učení u potomků

! Transgenerační přenos

Table 1. Behaviours (mean  $\pm$  s.e.) of the offspring from the maternal treatments.

	offspring of predator-exposed mothers (s)	offspring of unexposed mothers (s)
initial exploratory behaviour (day 1: 09.00):		
latency to first begin moving	49 $\pm$ 30	56 $\pm$ 20
latency to enter either chamber for the first time	330 $\pm$ 70	326 $\pm$ 78
learning the colour association:		
day 1 (09.00): latency to find food reward	426 $\pm$ 65	427 $\pm$ 61
day 3 (09.00): latency to find food reward	533 $\pm$ 48	304 $\pm$ 74
day 5 (09.00): latency to find food reward	337 $\pm$ 61	158 $\pm$ 68

## Sperm of colourful males are better protected against oxidative stress

### Abstract

Sperm cells are highly vulnerable to free radicals, and sperm quality and male fertility are critically affected by oxidative stress. Recently, sexual ornaments, particularly carotenoid-based colourful traits, have been proposed to depend on a male's capacity to resist oxidative stress, and thus to signal sperm quality. We conducted an experimental test of this hypothesis on great tits *Parus major*, in which adults are sexually dichromatic in carotenoid-based breast plumage. We report the first evidence that ornaments and sperm quality may be linked through oxidative stress. When experimentally subjected to oxidative stress resulting from increased workload, less colourful males suffered a greater reduction in sperm motility and swimming ability, and increased levels of sperm lipid peroxidation compared to more colourful males. Moreover, the level of sperm lipid peroxidation was negatively correlated with sperm quality. Finally, carotenoid supplementation increased sperm quality of less colourful males, suggesting that pale males are deficient in carotenoid antioxidants.

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**Barevnější samci sýkor**  
→ Atraktivnější pro samice ...  
→ Lepší kvalita spermatu  
(karotenoidy brání proti  
oxidativnímu stresu)

# Ekotoxicita pesticidů – nové poznatky

- Pesticidy – registrace před použitím
- Povinné testy účinků na včely
  - Odvození bezpečného dávkování pro použití
- Nově zjistěné problémy
  - Jak se projeví „bezpečné koncentrace“ více pesticidů, pokud budou působit současně ?
  - Jak se projeví u jiných druhů opylovačů než u včel ?

# Combined pesticide exposure severely affects individual- and colony-level traits in bees

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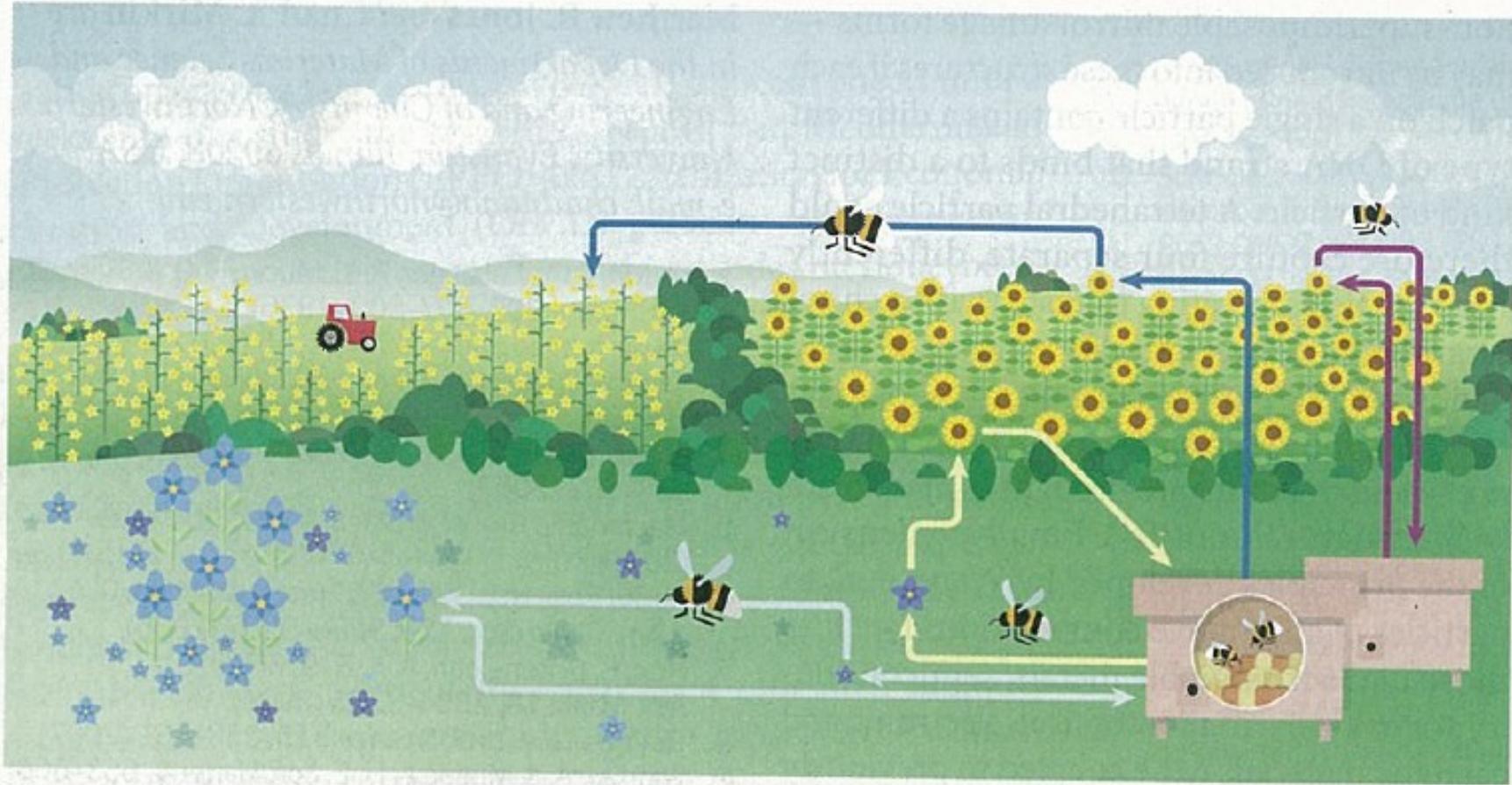
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- **Čmeláci a pesticidy**
  - Velice významní opylovači
  - Specifická biologie oproti včelám
    - kolonie s velmi malým počtem jedinců
  - Současné aplikace různých pesticidů na sousedních polích
    - V praxi není koordinace mezi farmáři: koexpozice



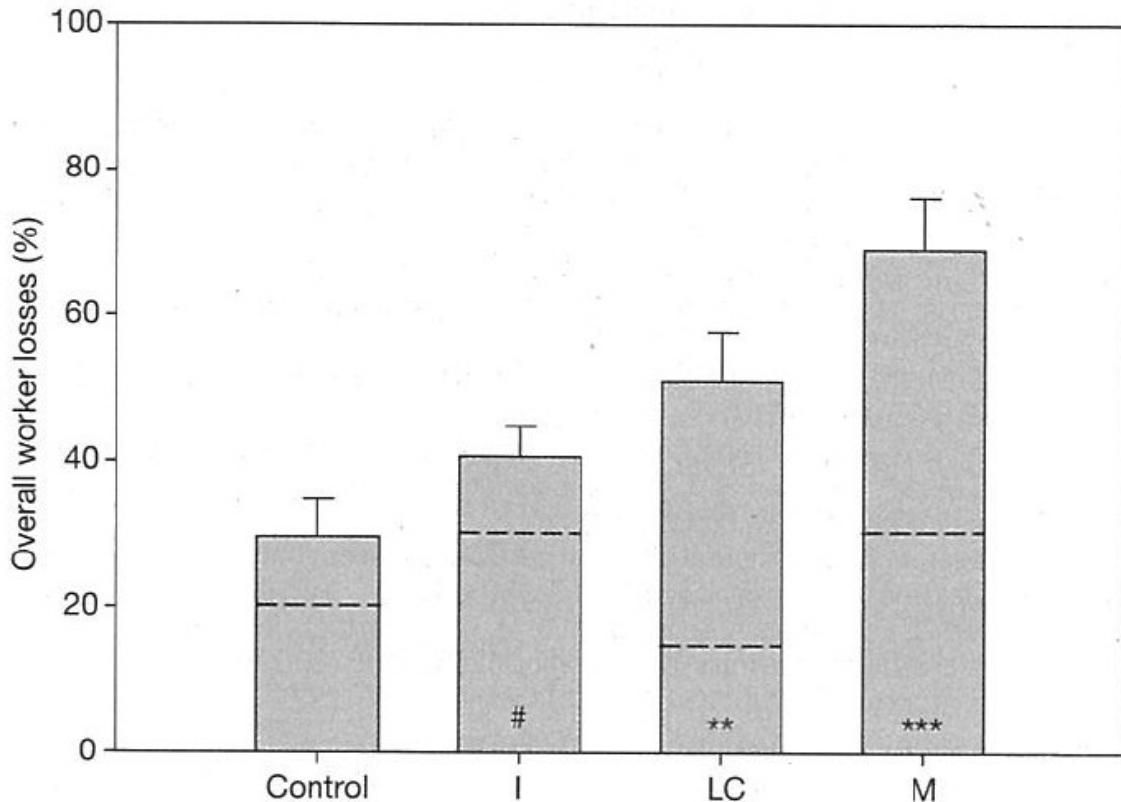


**Figure 1 | A complex exposure landscape.** In a typical agricultural setting, different crops may be sprayed with different pesticides at different times and doses. Bees will obtain food both from these crops and from wild plants, which makes it difficult to estimate their overall exposure to chemicals. Furthermore, bees returning to the colony after foraging may pass on the pesticides as they feed larvae. In an attempt to partially mimic this exposure complexity, Gill *et al.*<sup>10</sup> placed pesticide-laden feeders and filter paper (not shown) at the entrance to boxed colonies of bumblebees, which could also access flowers on crops and wild plants in the wider landscape. The researchers measured the effect of these added pesticides at both the individual-bee and colony level.

## Vliv pesticidů na čmeláky – polní studie: aplikovány povolené dávky

- 2 individuální látky „I“ a „LC“
- současná expozice „M“ (mixed)

Celkové ztráty  
dělnic v  
průběhu experimentu



**Figure 3 | Overall worker losses.** Mean ( $\pm$  s.e.m.) overall percentage of workers lost per colony, including workers lost outside (below the dashed line) and worker mortality (dead workers found in nest box; above the dashed line), during the 4-week experiment.  $n = 40$  colonies.  $\#P \leq 0.1$ ,  $**P \leq 0.01$ ,  $***P \leq 0.001$  (comparison with control).

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**Table 1 | Summary of observed pesticide effects for each treatment group (I, LC or M) in comparison to the control group**

Effect level	Effect type	I	LC	M
<b>Effects on individual behaviour</b>	Number of foragers	+	ND	+
	Foraging bout frequency	ND	ND	–
	Amount of pollen collected	–	ND	–
	Duration of pollen foraging bouts	+	ND	+
<b>Effects at colony level</b>	Worker production	–	ND	–
	Brood number	–	ND	–
	Nest structure mass	ND	ND	ND
	Worker mortality	ND	+	+
	Worker loss	+	–	+
	Worker mortality & loss	ND	+	+
	Colony failure ( <i>n</i> failed/ <i>n</i> survived)	0/10	0/10	2/8

Significant decrease (–), significant increase (+) and no detected effect (ND) at the 5% significance level.

