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課程講義(10-11):健康風險評估 Introduction to Health Risk Assessment

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- □ Assessment vs. Analysis; Risk Assessment vs. Risk Management
- □ Environmental Impact Assessment => Human Health Impact => Risk Assessment
- □ 'A Priori' Health Risk vs. 'Posterior' Epidemiological Survey
- ☐ Health Risk Assessment => Environmental Issues or Public Health Concerns
- □ 中科三期七星農場及中油三輕更新計畫環評爭議 =>《健康風險評估技術規範》
- □ Definition of Environmental Health Risk Assessment (http://www.eh.org.au/documents/item/916): "Risk assessment is the process of estimating the potential impact of a chemical, physical, microbiological or psychosocial hazard on a specified human population or ecological system under a specific set of conditions and for a certain time frame."
- ☐ The scope of environmental health risk assessment can cover health impacts of
 - ⇒ Chemical pollutants and contaminants in air, water, soil and food
 - ⇒ Pathogenic microbiological contaminants in food and water
 - ⇒ Radiation sources
 - ⇒ Electromagnetic fields (EMFs)
 - ⇒ Climate and climate change
- □ Risk Assessment Steps
 - ⇒ Hazard Identification / Evaluation / Characterization
 - ⇒ Effects / Losses / Impacts Assessment
 - ⇒ Assessment of Occurrence Probability
 - ⇒ Characterization (NOT 'Quantification') of Risk
 - ⇒ Risk Communication and Risk Management

EXHIBIT 2.2. OBJECTIVES OF RISK ASSESSMENT.

- 1. Balance risks and benefits.
 - Drugs
 - Pesticides
- 2. Set target levels of risk.
 - Food contaminants
 - Water pollutants
- 3. Set priorities for program activities.
 - Regulatory agencies
 - Manufacturers
 - Environmental and consumer organizations

EXHIBIT 2.3. BIOLOGICAL END POINTS.

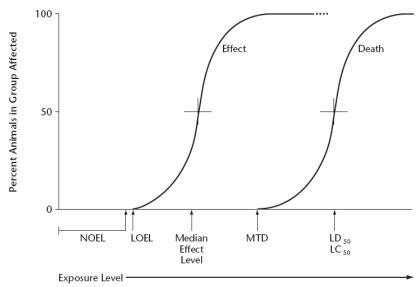
- Cancers
- Mutations
- Birth defects
- Reproductive toxicity
- Immunological toxicity
- · Neurobehavioral toxicity
- Organ-specific effects
- Endocrine modulation or disruption
- Ecosystem effects
- 4. Estimate residual risks and extent of risk reduction after steps are taken to reduce risks.

• ENVIRONMENTAL RISK ASSESSMENT OF HUMAN HEALTH

- □ Hazard Identification 危害確認
- □ Dose-Response Assessment 劑量效應評估
- □ Exposure Assessment 暴露量評估
- □ Risk Characterization 風險特徵描述

• HAZARDS TO HUMAN HEALTH

- □ Acute Toxicity
 - ⇒Lethal Dose (LD₅₀) and Maximum Tolerated Dose (MTD)
 - ⇒ Threshold: Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level (LOAEL) and NOAEL
- □ Chronic Toxicity
 - ⇒ Mutagenic, Carcinogenic and Teratogenic Effects (MCT effects)
 - ⇒Threshold (?) => Cancer Potency
 - ⇒ Weight-of-Evidence Categories for Human Carcinogenicity
- □ Sub-chronic Toxicity



Robson, M. and W. Toscano (Eds), 2007, Risk Assessment for Environmental Health, John Wiley, Hoboken, N.J. (p.79)

EVENTS, SITES OR SOURCES THAT CAUSE HEALTH HAZARDS

- □ Work Places and Daily Living □ Specified Sites => 'Superfund' Sites
- ☐ Chemical Release or Spills => PRTR ☐ Soil and Groundwater Contamination
- ☐ Hazard Waste Treatment and Disposal ☐ Mobile Source of Air Pollution => MTBE
- □ Food Additives, Detergents => NP (Environmental Hormones or Endocrine Disruptors)
- □ Incinerators, Power Plants (including Nuke), Industrial Production Plants => 「開發行為」
- ☐ Events and Facilities Involved Emotion Aspects of Outrage, Suspicion, Perception, and Belief
- HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT #5 (To be included in the Final Report): 請利用「環評書件查詢系統 https://eiadoc.epa.gov.tw/eiaweb/」與環保署網頁之檢索系統,搜尋環境影響評估有關「健康風險評估」之案例,以利於期末報告進行個案分析與探討。