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Environmental Health Risks

Germs Contagious diseases Carcinogens Radioactivity Other poisons

Radioactive panic

Thermonuclear weapons Atomic testing Atomic power Radioactive waste





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1950's Radiation Exposure Fear

We can poison ourselves off the planet Invisible exposures can harm us Drinkning milk can be deadly Dawn of awareness of hazardous waste The dawn of "risk assessment" MUJER ENOMENO IEMBRA E ANICO EV LA DMARCA MADIE SE CPLICABA SU KISTENDAL

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ATTACK OF THE SU FOOT WOMAN

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HOW YOU CAN SURVIVE FALLOUT

97 out of 100 people can be saved . . . Detail plans for building shelters . . .

> AND A LETTER TO YOU FROM PRESIDENT KENNEDY

CIVILIAN FALLOUT SUIT

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Asbestos

Naturally occurring mineral High long term exposure causes disease Asbestos is a useful and profitable material Industrial cover up Banned in developed world in early 1980's Widely used in third world today Asbestos abatement industry







Silver Bay Asbestos Debacle

Plant started up in 1955 47 tons of rock waste dumped in lake per minute Growing delta of sediment Loss of water clarity Depleted herring stocks

EPA chemist Phil Cook

EPA chemist

Discovered asbestos fibers in lake water EPA advisory scared the hell out or us Filtration

EPA vrs. Reserve Mining

Alternative disposal cover up Reserve's cost benefit analysis Judge Miles Lord

Miles Lord Vrs. C. William Verity (Reserve CEO)

"I said to him, 'Now, can you get this thing out of the water? Can you stop poisoning the people downstream, and the air and so forth? Can you figure out a way not to make so much dust?"" Lord recalls. "He said, 'We don't have to, we won't.""

Paracelsus 1490-1541

What is there that is not poison? All things are poison and nothing without poison. Surely the dose determines that a thing is not a poison

Toxicology

Toxicology is the study of poisons The dose makes the poison Exposure creates the dose

The hangover

Alcohol conversion takes energy Overloaded system gets backed up Normal processes suffer The dose makes the poison Individual abilities to process alcohol differ

Toxic

Toxic-poisonous Intoxicated-poisoned Exposure-dose-uptake-effect

Poisonous dose

LD50 in mg/kg body weight Ethyl alcohol 10,000 Table salt 4,000 Morphine Sulfate 900 Nicotine 1 Botulinum toxin 0.000001

Routes of entry

Intravenous Inhalation-breathed in-the lungs Ingestion-eaten-the g.i. tract Dermal-through the skin

Exposure

Acute-24 hours or less Subacute-1 month or less Subchrnic-1 to 3 months Chronic-more than 3 months

The dose

How the toxin is delivered to the target organs Inhalation is generally the most efficient Ingestion is more efficient for larger particles Through the skin takes longer

Laboratory experiments on research animals LD/50 for acute toxicity Knock out punch MTD for chronic exposure over lifetime **Repeated slaps**

Respiration



Oxygen + Glucose = Cellular energy (ATP)

ATP is always Needed

No respiration means instant Death

You can store food, but you can't store oxygen

Respiratory system

You need to breath to stay alive 40 acres of exposed blood vessels in the lung Blood flow to lung matches air flow Out with the bad air CO_2 In with the good air O_2 The alveoli need to be kept clean The lungs have self cleaning duct work

The circulatory system

The Pump-the heart The plumbing-veins and arteries Flow regulation The blood members

The Lungs

Respiratory surface area is 300 sq. ft. exhaled 900 sq. ft. in deep inhale Alveolar lining is only a few cells thick Skin surface area is about 20 sq. ft. Lungs provide the most intimate exposure to air

Lung capacity

0.5 liters (about a pint) per inhale12 to 20 breaths per minute in adults6 to 10 liters per minute X 60 minutes per hour360 to 500 liters per hour X 24 hours per day0.86 to 1.2cubic meters of air inhaled per day

Inhalation

Gasses, vapors and aerosols blood chemistry is aqueous organics don't mix well in blood Particles the respiratory tract is a filter

size matters


Lead

Ammunition Paint **Batteries** TV's Gasoline Plumbing

Lead Exposure

Lead in ammunition Lead paint Stripping paint with torch Fine abrasive dust Tetraethyl lead in engine exhaust Lead in food

Lead

Paint Drinking water Dust Pottery Industrial emissions

Lead levels in Americans

Measured as micrograms per tenth of a liter of blood (μ g/dL)

Dietary lead exposure is lower than in the past

1940 500 microgrms per day

2001 20 micrograms per day

Lead has been eliminated from

house paint, solder and gasoline

As levels decrease risk estimates have grown Any exposure to lead is now considered unsafe Which is more dangerous-lead or cigarettes Who is protecting us from what? Does money affect government science?

Lead in our blood

Average for Americans less than 5µg/dL African Americans in big cities 13.9 µg/dL Sources are lead in house paint and dust Social justice issue

Lead Coatings

Enhanced drying capacity Water repellant seal Flexible strong coating properties Poisonous and persistent

Lead Carbonate



These walls don't just look good. They're Yummy Tool few Flavored Lead-Based Phint and Pistaci Cőt hmelle

Lead batteries

The auto industry uses 1 million tons of lead per year!

Lead toxicity

The blood The nervous system The kidneys

Lead in Paint

Lead Carbonate (while lead) PbCO3 Lead Chromate (chrome yellow) PbCrO4 Lead Tetroxide (red lead) PbO4

Red Lead PbO4



Red Lead Primer









Radon

Radioactive gas Alpha emitting radiation Heavy gas that glows green when concentrated Known to kill uranium miners



Radioactive decay of Radon



Radon control is good building science

Nothing good comes from dirt breath Radon is a soil gas Water vapor is also a soil gas Sub-blab ventilation controls soil gas entry

Smoking

A religious sacrament Deeply rooted pleasure Remarkably addictive Harmful health affects



- Roll-your-own cigarette made by hand with roll-your-own tobacco
- Roll-your-own cigarette made in a commercial roll-your-own machine with pipe tobacco
- Factory-made cigarette
- 4. Small cigar
- Filtered large cigar
- 6. Traditional large cigar



The Sacred Pipe and Native American Religion

Jordan Paper



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LZ12 Global trade start LZ111







I'M SENDING CHESTERFIELDS to all my friends. That's the merriest Christmas any smoker can have – Chesterfield mildness plus no unpleasant after-taste Renal Reagon

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Ine RONALD REAGAN Interning in "HONG KONG" a Pine-Thomas Paramount Production Color by Technicolor

Smoking and Cancer

Rogue cells build cancer Nicotine is a potent carcinogen Nicotine is also a cancer promoter Lung Cancer NNK experiment

Smoking and Heart Disease Nicotine isn't the only poison in tobacco smoke Smokers experience more sudden death Pipe and snuff users have less CV disease risk Same nicotine dose, but less disease Inhaled smoke is the most dangerous 2-4 times the risk of heart disease 70% increase ofsudden fatal heart disease All age groups are at risk Quitting reduces risk







Breathing

>3,00 (11,000 liters) gallons per day Little particles go deep in the lung Smoke is sticky The deep lung doesn't clean well

Second hand ETS exposure

Most comes between puffs Gas, liquid and solid emmisions Perfect size particles for deep lung deposition


Three stages of ETS exposure

Emission from the product Air transport of emission Breathing in the stuff

ETS

Cotinine Waiter: 4.59 ng/ml Boss 1.19 ng/ml

Environmental exposure to second hand tobacco smoke

First hand smoke Second hand smoke Third hand smoke

Measuring Nicotine Exposure

Personal sampling pump

Ames test

Passive montors

3-ethenylpyridine (3-EP)

Nicotine in air

Nicotine in hair

Cotinine

PM 2.5

CO2 and CO

Controlling Second Hand Smoke

- Segregation of smokers and non-smokers Exhaust ventilation
- Filtration
- Smokeless ashtray
- Personal respiratory protection

Segregation

Walls, ceilings and doors Air curtains Pressure differences Outdoor smoking only

Exhaust Ventilation

Costs versus benefits Energy exchange Controlling air movement paths Crud

What is a safe exposure level?

Filtration

How filters work Tobacco smoke has three phases Crud

Personal Respiratory Protection

Scuba Cartridge respirator Face mask





Microbiological Troublemakers

Bacteria Viruses Dust mites Animal dander Molds Asthma triggers

Ignaz Semmelweis

Worked in a hospital maternity clinic In 1887 he noted purpureal fever deaths Midwife delivery found safer than hospital Doctors mixed autopsies with deliveries Hand washing in chlorinated lime water

John Snow

The miasma theory of disease 1885 London cholera outbreak Snow discovered the source of the epidemic The Broad Street Public Pump London sewage diposal Snow took the handle off the pump Epidemic cleared up Father of epidemiology

More Pioneers in War Against Germs

Louis Pasteur 1860's studied germs Spontaneous generation Robert Koch Koch's 4 postulates Robert Lister Father of disinfectants

Percival Potts

English physician

In 1775 he reported first occupational cancer

Scrotal cancer in London chimney sweeps

PAH exposure

Protective clothing and better hygiene

Bacteria: The Biofilm Builders

Very Common High water requirements Infectious diseases **Respiratory** irritants Endotoxin/ gm negs.





Kingdoms of life

Plants Animals Bacteria Fungi







AIRBORNE ENDOTOXIN

FROM BACTERIAL CELL WALL DAMP, FERMENTING ENVIRONMENT OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE SWINE & POULTRY BUILDINGS GRAIN & FLAX MILLS WOOD PROCESSING HUMIDIFIED OFFICE SPACE HIGH CONCENTRATION OF BACTERIA MAY BE PRESENT WHEN BACTERIA ARE DEAD >50NG/M^3 AEROSOL

Viruses

Require a host A code and a handle Infection usually person to person spread Droplet nuclei/ high flyers







A REPORTER AT LARGE CRISIS IN THE HOT ZONE

by Richard Preston



Particles of the Ebola Reston virus, which broke out near Washington, D.C., in 1989. Its close relative Ebola Zaire emerged in fifty-five African villages in 1976, and killed nine out of ten of its victims.

Animal dander

Dogs, cats and other mammals Shed material

Carpets and upholstery

Dust mites

Ubiquitous scavengers **Efficient skin recyclers** Thrive in humid environments **Body parts Highly allergenic excrement Carpets and upholstery** Usually greater than 10µ in size



BOX 1 Avoidance Measures for Mite Allergen

A. Bedrooms

- Cover mattresses and pillows with impermeable covers
- Wash bedding regularly at 130° F
- · Remove carpets, stuffed animals, and clutter from bedrooms
- Vacuum clean weekly (wearing a mask)*

B. Rest of the House

Minimize carpet and upholstered furniture; do not use either in basements

- · Reduce humidity below 45 percent relative humidity or 6 g/kg
- Treat carpets with benzyl benzoate or tannic acid

*There is a temporary increase in potential exposure to allergens associated with the vacuuming process. The net potential for exposure should be reduced by vacuuming, however, and is considerably less than the cumulative effects of not vacuuming. Wearing a mask while vacuuming should help reduce exposure while vacuuming.

What are molds? Nature's garbage disposal **Digesters and recyclers of** almost any organic material Spores are common from underground to upper atmosphere

Reproduction

Mold spreads by spore production and dispersal

Molds are genetically adaptable

Molds have high biopotentialpopulations explode when conditions are right

Growth Requirements

- Water activity
- Oxygen
- **Room temperature**
- **Commensurals/the biofilm**
- Dormancy
The Mold Panic of the 1990's

- The Ballard Case
- Modern building materials and practices Insurance issues
- Lawyers and cleaning contractors
- Birth of the he mold "expert"
- Standards and certificates

Stachybotrys sp

Aspergillus fumigatus



Aspergillus fumigatus on back side of gypsum board

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Common sense mold repairs

Proper diagnostics Drying and cleaning Damage repair Dust control Sanitizers, fungicides and fungistatics A short history of industrial organic chemistry

The Haber-Bosch process BASF and I G Farben Dupont and Dow Industrial polymer chemistry

Karl Bosch



Fritz Haber







Synthetic organic chemistry

Plastic products Agricultural chemicals Explosives Dyes Fabrics Many new compounds ha

Many new compounds have no natural microbial recylers

Fritz Haber also invented mustard gas

WW2: Allies bomb I. G. Farben plant in Germany

First < energy level

Second – energy level

Carbon Atom

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Carbon Dioxide-CO₂



Methane, the simplest organic molecule





[H = Hydrogen, C = Carbon, - indicates a chemical bond between atoms]



(Note: A line drawn between two atoms represents a pair of electrons shared by those atoms, which constitutes a chemical bond. Two lines represent two pairs of shared electrons, a double bond.)

And when we're feeling really lazy we just draw it like this:

 $CH_2 = CH_2 \longrightarrow -\{CH_2 - CH_2\}_n$





Natural Economy

Photosynthesis Making sugar out of solar energy $CO_2 + H_2O + solar energy = sugar$ Respiration Metabolizing sugar to generate life energy Sugar + $O_2 = CO_2 + H_2O + bio-energy$ Life is endless cycles of growth and decay Ultimate energy efficiency-nothing is wasted All natural waste is nourishing to something

Modern Economy

All profit is based on sales Expired products are waste Waste is often useless or poisonous Reusing waste products is often expensive

This is Not a Sustainable System

Modern Economy

Making money on money makes the most money Company, workers, customers or shareholders Which sector makes the most money? Which one could the economy do without?

Conclusion:

Only losers make real products or work for a living

Garbage We are making more, not less

Cell phone chargers Old computers Broken appliances Electronic toys

Microdebris









Area of the "recirculation gyre"

Ania of the N. Pacific ubmopical High

North Equatorial

Equatorial Countercurrent

South Equatorial



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