Dermal exposure assessment techniques to polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons

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Abstract

Background: Studies have shown that dermal exposure to polycyclic aromatic compounds can lead to systemic health effects if the substance is absorbed by the skin. Epidemiologic reports of PAHexposed workers have noted increased incidences cancer.

Methods: According to the low vapor pressure this material, the major route of occupational exposure in some jobs is through dermal exposure. The more common methods of assessing dermal exposure to these compounds have been investigated.

Results There are Different results regarding the effectiveness of various methods of assessing skin exposure to this class of compounds. However, tend to use quantitative methods and semi quantitative reverse rising in this field.

Conclusion: Assessment methods have advantages and disadvantage that researcher can be used one or more of the methods according to facilities. However, more research is needed in this field

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