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2.3 Health and Environment

Environmental health focuses on the study and research of the effect on human health of the physical, chemical, biological, psychosocial, ergonomic and safety factors. It covers important aspects of the human health, as living standards and social welfare, because it is currently a branch of extraordinary importance, which provides security to environmental dangers and risks. A central objective is to advance the assessment, correction, control and prevention of those factors related to the environment that can potentially affect health negatively. It is therefore necessary to develop interdisciplinary research strategies geared towards action in communities heavily affected by combinations of factors (chemical, physical, social) and create new solutions to their different impact on health both individually and collectively (cancer “epidemics”, birth defects, etc.). Environmental health serves the society, applying knowledge, skills and abilities with a comprehensive vision and efficient approach in the prevention, evaluation and control of risk factors and their administrative management, action-oriented.