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Microplastiche ed Infertilità

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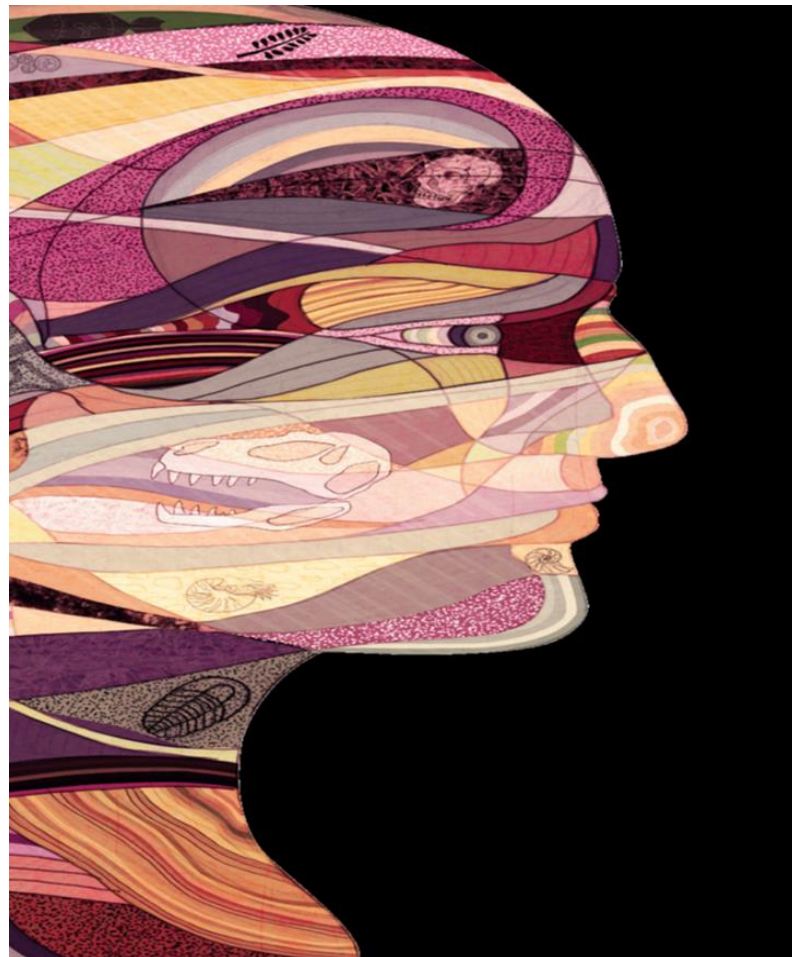
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Human activities introduced a large number of contaminants in the environment on a global scale

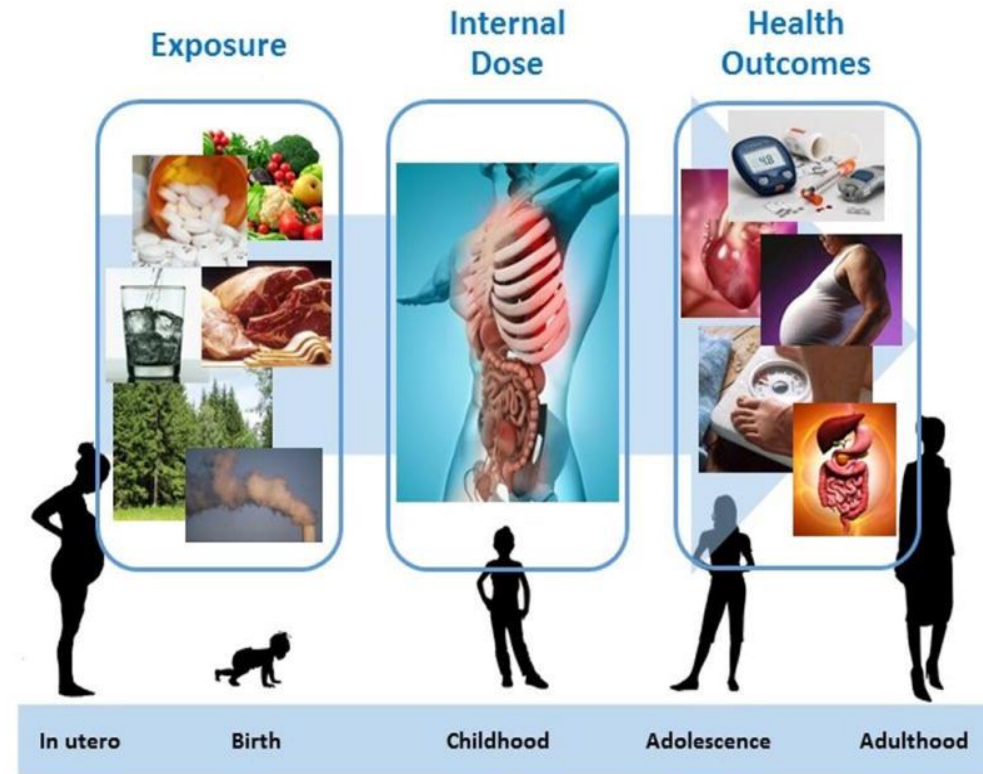
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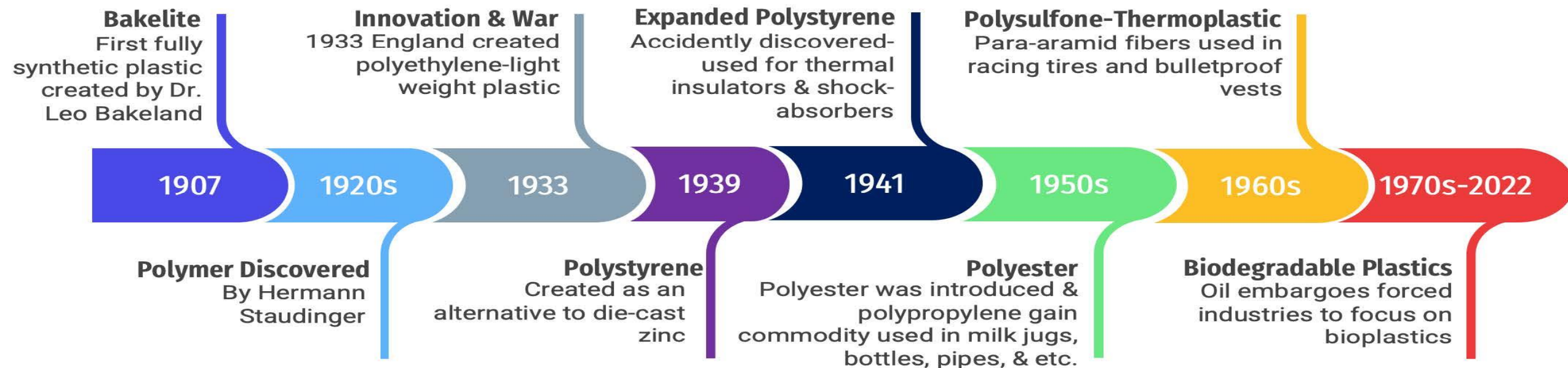


HOMO PLASTICUS



HOMO METALLICUS





Tra il 1950 e il 2017, sono stati prodotti circa 9,2 miliardi di tonnellate di plastica, la stragrande maggioranza dei quali rimane come rifiuti nel nostro ambiente naturale, minacciando gli ecosistemi globali. Entro il 2050 si potrebbe raggiungere la cifra di 1.1 miliardo di tonnellate all'anno.

La plastica è un materiale utilizzato per costituire la maggior parte degli oggetti della vita quotidiana; tuttavia, nel mondo di oggi, la cattiva gestione, la manipolazione impropria e l'abuso di plastica hanno portato all'inquinamento da MP in ogni margine dell'ambiente acquatico, dallo strato pelagico più elevato alle rocce sedimentarie del fondale marino.

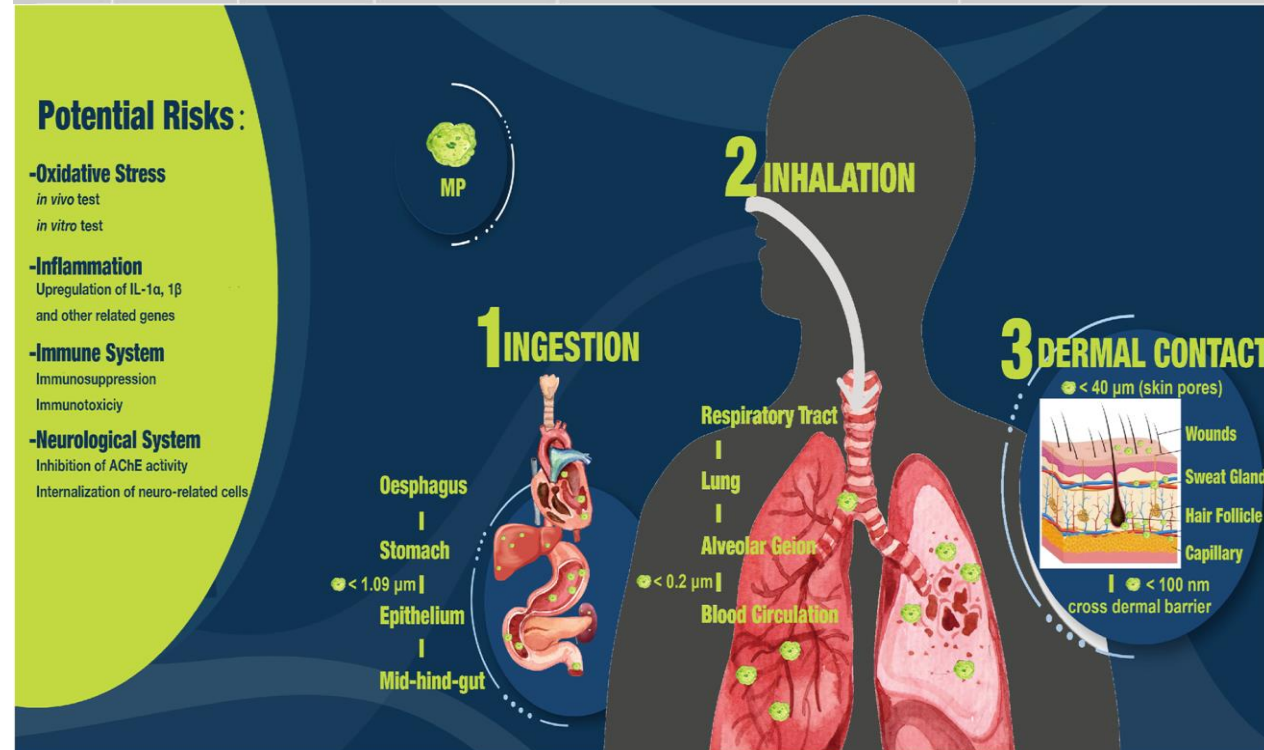
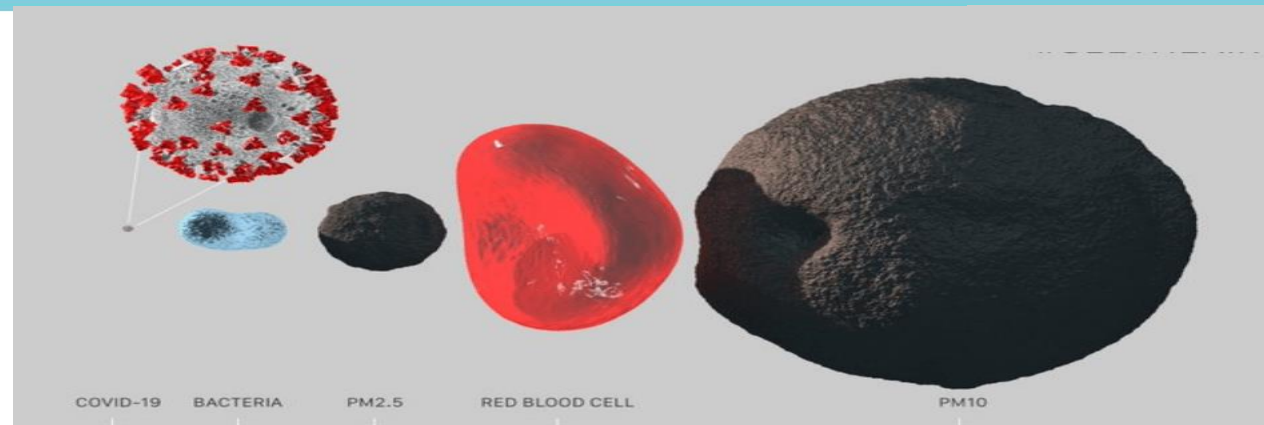
Le **Microplastiche** sono frammenti di plastica di diametro inferiore a 5 mm (da 0,1 a 5000 micrometri, μm).

1 micrometro è un milionesimo (10^{-6}) di metro.

Le **Nanoplastiche** invece misurano da 0,001 a 0,1 μm (ossia da 1 a 100 nanometri)

1 nanometro è un miliardesimo (10^{-9}) di metro

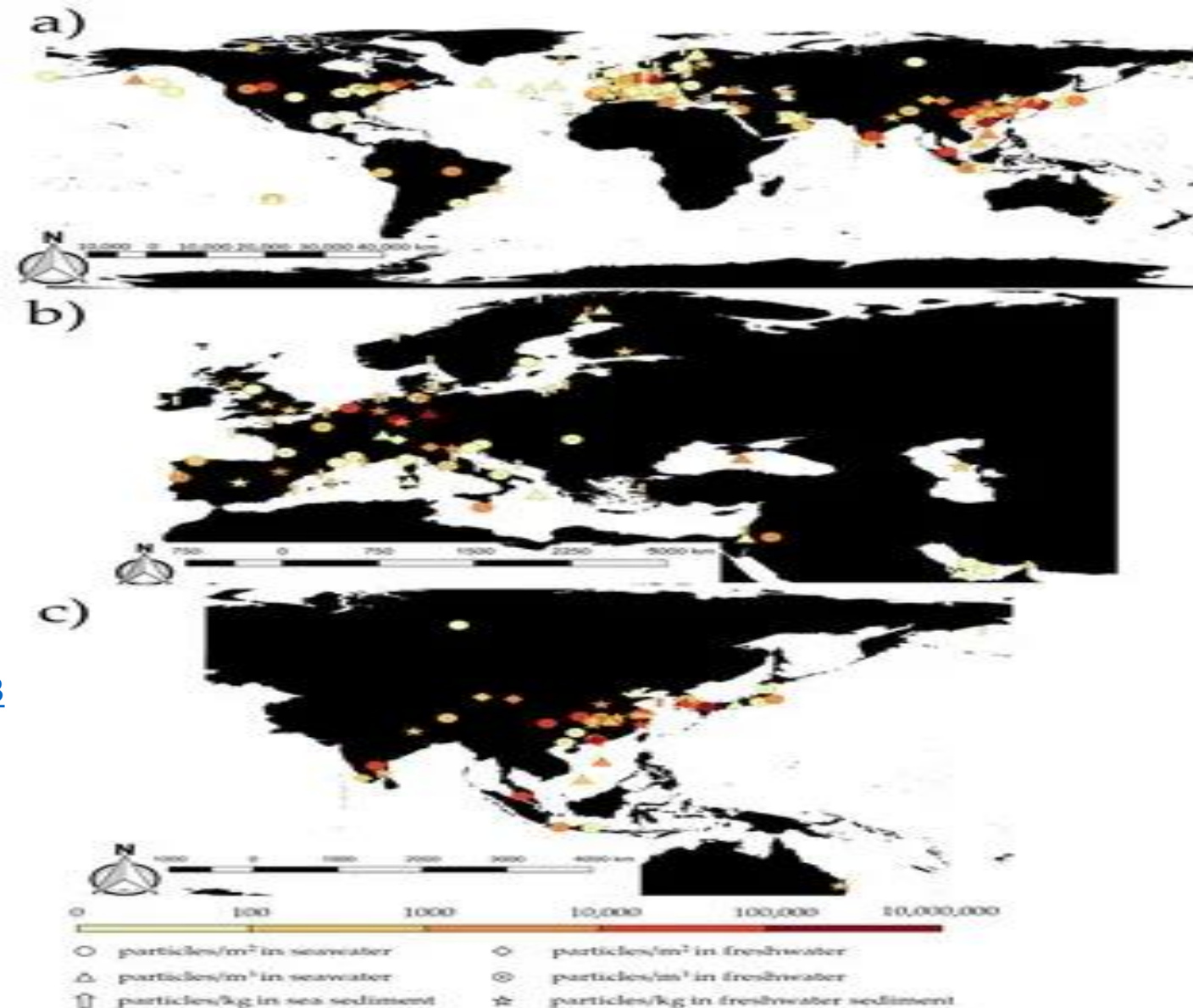
Derivano da una varietà di fonti che finiscono nelle acque reflue, dalle setole degli spazzolini da denti ai tappi delle bottiglie, oltre che dalla degradazione diretta dei prodotti di plastica che raggiungono mari e oceani e che peraltro si disperdono nell'aria



Microplastics Analysis in the Aquatic Environment: Occurrence, Persistence, Analysis, and Human Exposure

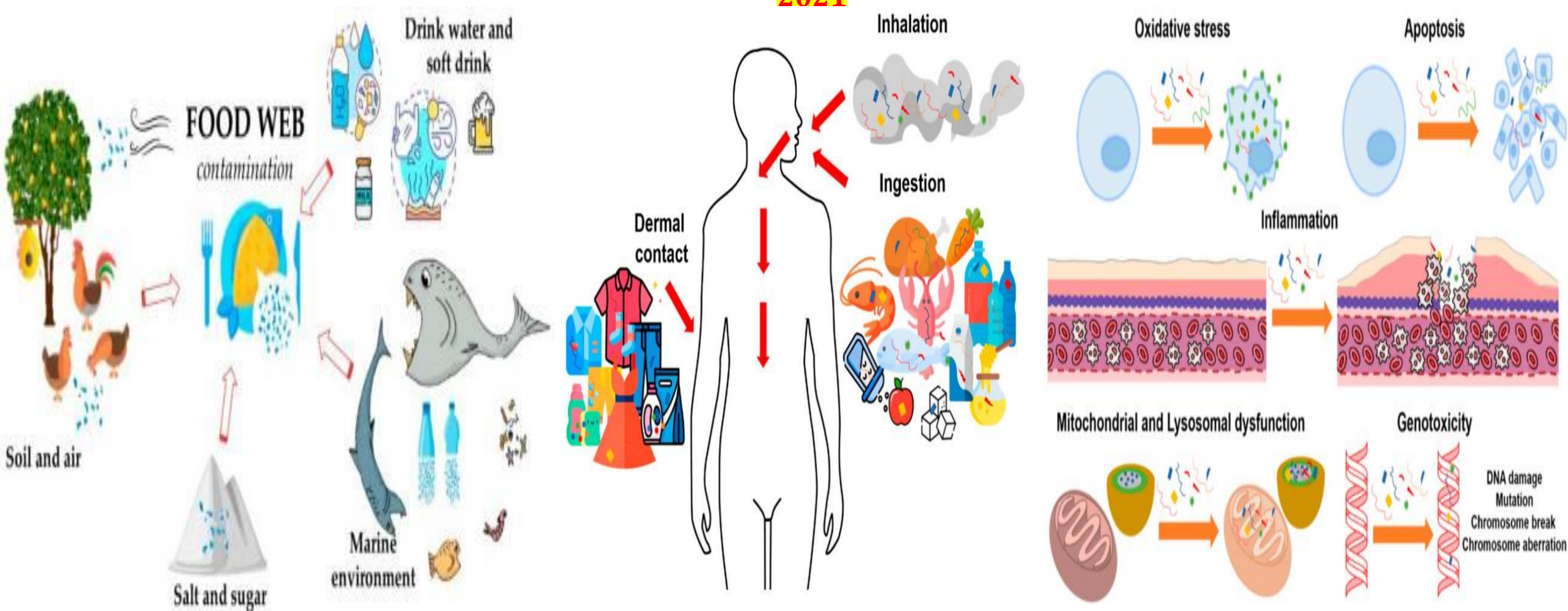
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Microplastics in the Environment: Intake through the Food Web, Human Exposure and Toxicological Effects

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Microplastics (MPs) are in all environmental compartments, including atmosphere, terrestrial, and aquatic environments as well as in marine organisms, foods, drinking water, and indoor and outdoor environments.

Atmosphere

Aquatic ecosystem

Soil –
sediments



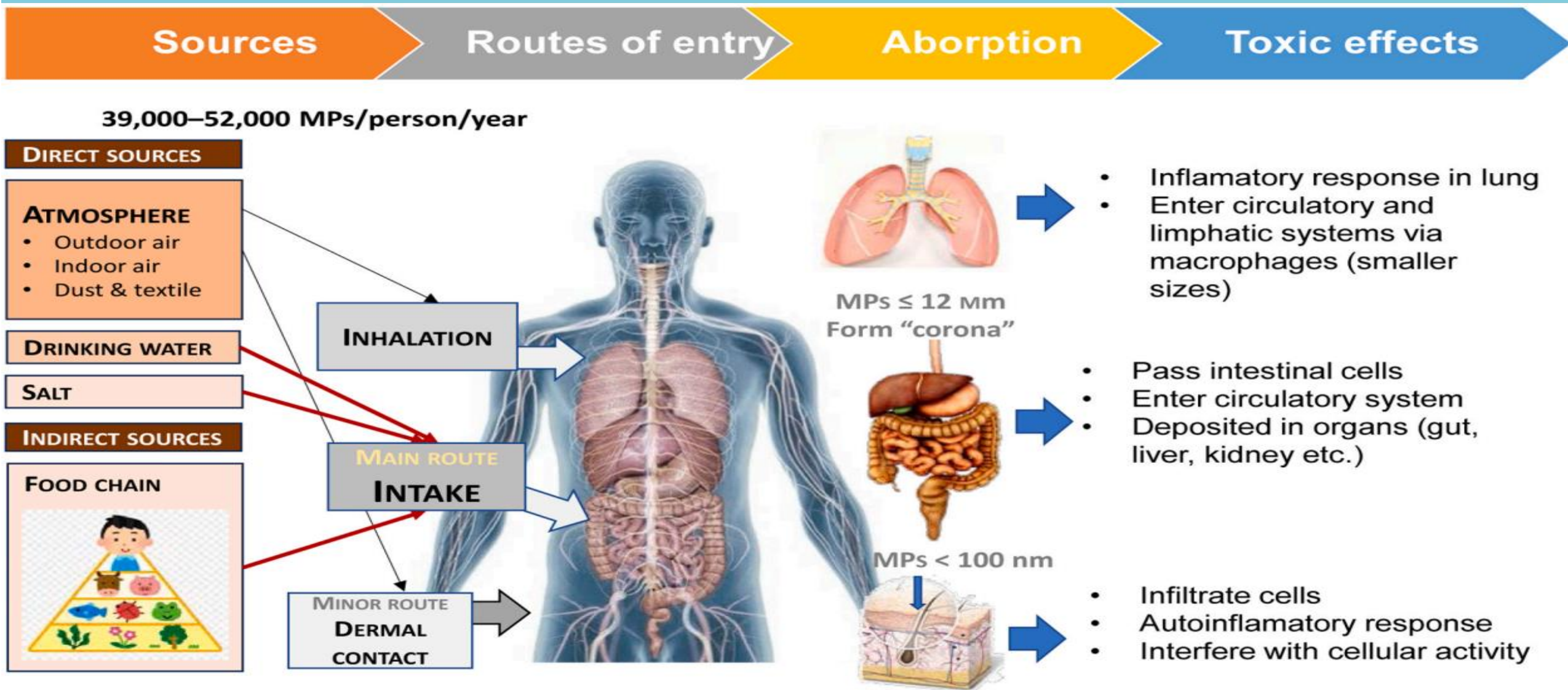


Fig. 1. Potential pathways and routes of exposure to MPs/NPs and potential toxic effects on humans.

Microplastics in fillets of Mediterranean seafood. A risk assessment study.

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- Microplastics (MPs) are considered as emergent threat to human health. No complete data still exists on MPs presence in fish tissue and their transmission to humans. The present study aims to detect and quantify the presence of **MPs (<3 μm) in several edible seafood (Sardina pilchardus, wild and farmed Sparus aurata, Mullus surmuletus, Solea solea and mussel Mytilus galloprovincialis).**

Micro- and nano-plastics in edible fruit and vegetables. The first diet risks assessment for the general population

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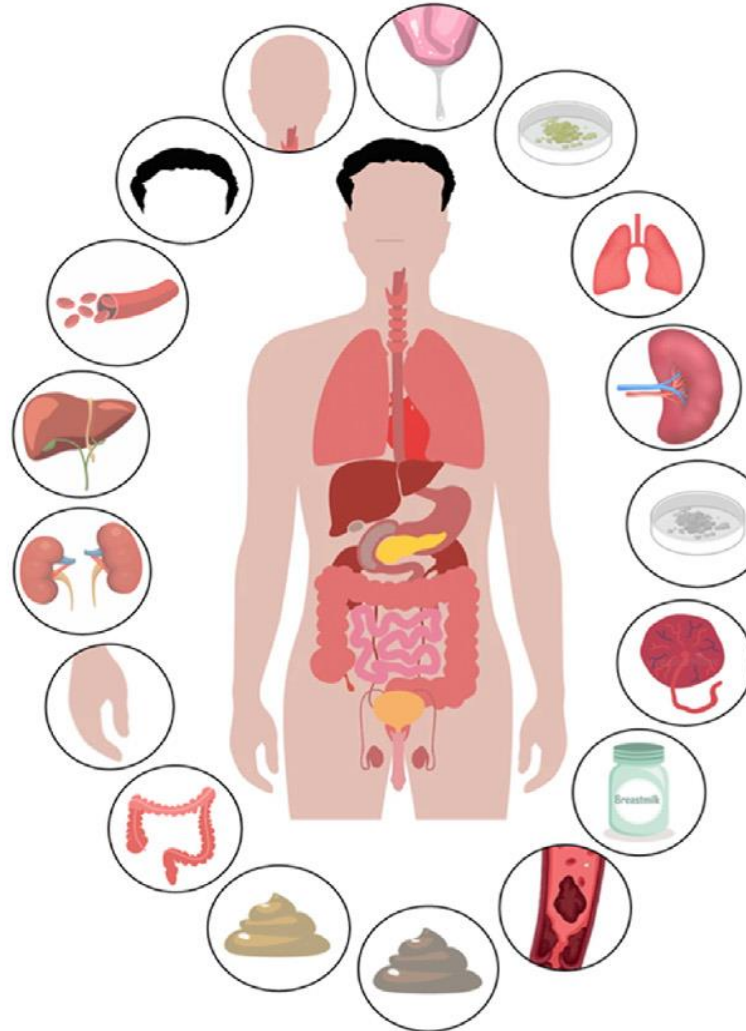
The higher median (IQR) level of MPs in fruit and vegetable samples was 223,000 (52,600–307,750) and 97,800 (72,175–130,500), respectively. In particular, **apples were the most contaminated fruit samples, while carrot was the most contaminated vegetable.** Conversely, the lower median (IQR) level was observed in lettuce samples 52,050 (26,375–75,425). Both vegetable and fruit samples MPs levels were characterized by wide variability. **The smallest size of MPs was found in the carrot samples (1.51 μm), while the biggest ones were found in the lettuce**



Human exposure to microplastics through the ingestion of contaminated food is inevitable and poses a risk to food safety and human health

Saliva
Sputum
Feces
Breast milk
Hair/head
Hand
Blood

Placenta
Meconium
Lung tissue
Liver
Kidney
Spleen
Colon
Heart



PE
PP
PS
PET
PC
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PVC
PVA
PMMA
polyamide (nylon)
ABS
SEBS
POM
PTFE
Resin
Rubber

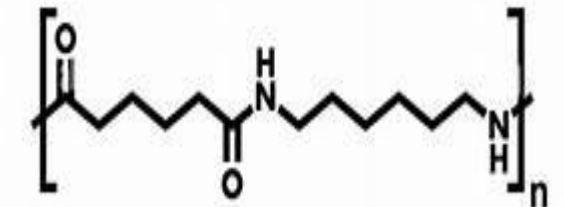
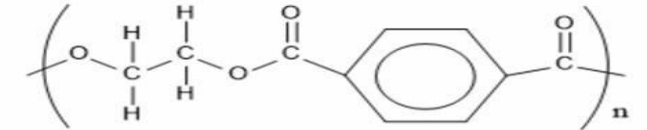
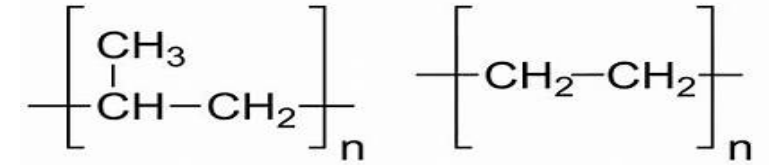


TABLE 5 Microplastics effects on the mammalian female reproductive system.

Plastic	Species	Consequences on the female reproductive system	References
MPs	Mice	Oxidative stress in ovaries, decrease the number of ovarian antral follicles and malondialdehyde [MDA] levels in ovaries	(96)
MPs	Mice	Decreased pregnancies and increased mortality	(97)
MPs	Mice	Spontaneous abortion, decreased diameter of uterine arterioles, decreased uterine blood supply	(98)
MPs	Rats	Granulosa cell apoptosis, ovary fibrosis, and pyroptosis	(99)
MPs	Rats	Granulosa cells pyroptosis through NLRP3/Caspase-1 signaling mechanism,	(100)

TABLE 6 The effects of MPs additives on the female mammalian reproductive system.

Endocrine disrupters	Species	Consequences on the female reproductive system	References
Phthalates	Mice	Reduced LH, defective ovarian steroidogenesis	(108)
BPA	Humans	Inhibiting secretion of progesterone and oestradiol, decreases the expression of CYP11A1	(107)
PBDEs	Humans	Increased menstrual cycle and bleeding time	(109)
TBT	Rats	Irregular ovarian adipogenesis, Ovarian fibrosis	(110)
PCBs	Mice	Follicular atresia, suppressed level of LH, and progesterone	(111, 112)
Chromium, lead and Mercury	Mice and Rabbits	Follicular atresia, low follicle growth, corpus luteum	(90)

TABLE 3 MPs effects on the mammalian male reproductive system.

Plastics	Species	Consequences on male reproductive system	References
MPs	Mice	Recused sperm quality, abnormal testicular spermatogenesis	(67)
MPs	Mice	Testicular transcriptomic alterations, altered spermatogenesis	(68)
MPs	Mice	Decreased testosterone levels, disruption of Blood Testes Barrier [BTB], testicular inflammation	(66)
MPs	Swine	Increased apoptosis and necrosis in testes, decreased viability of testicular cells	(69)
MPs	Mice	Decreased testicle weight and sperm quality, altered sperm phenotype	(70)
MPs	Rats	Damaged seminiferous tubule, destruction of BTB, spermatogenic cell apoptosis	(71)
PS-MPs	Mice	Oxidative stress in testes reduced sperm motility	(72)

TABLE 4 MPs additives effects on the male mammalian reproductive system.

Endocrine disrupters	Species	Consequences on male reproductive system	Reference
Phthalates	Rats and Mice	Oxidative stress in testes, altered sperm's physiology, anti-androgenic effects	(68, 85)
BPA	Mice	Abnormal spermatogenesis, blood-testis-barrier [BTB] disruption, poor semen quality, DNA damage in sperm cells	(84)
PBDEs	Male	Dysregulated sperm DNA methylation, altered spermatogenesis	(86)
TBT	Syrian hamsters	Adverse steroidogenic enzymes activity, impaired testosterone production, defective spermatozoa	(87)
PCBs	Harbour porpoises	Decreased testes weight, Reduced sperm and spermatid numbers, small seminal vesicles	(88, 89)
Chromium, lead and Mercury	Mice, Rabbits	Leydig cell tumors, attenuates serum level of luteinizing hormone [LH], testosterone, follicle-stimulating hormone, testicular stroma	(90)

Il ruolo della contaminazione pervasiva da plastica e dell'esposizione a MNP come fattore di rischio per la fertilità può riconoscere tre grandi modalità

- Effetto “**Cavallo di Troia**”, tramite il quale la plastica veicola altre sostanze come Ftalati, Bisfenoli, Pesticidi, Diossine, Metalli pesanti, noti come Interferenti Endocrini che sono notoriamente riconosciuti come deleteri per la fertilità maschile e femminile
- Effetto **diretto delle MNP** (i polimeri in sé) che arrivano ai tessuti riproduttivi incrementando il rischio di infiammazione e stress ossidativo. Ciò è ben dimostrato su cellule e su modelli animali, pesci e topi. Tanto che l'esposizione a Polistirene nel topo maschio per esempio induce riduzione della motilità ed un aumento delle forme anomale degli spermatozoi, una diminuzione dei livelli di testosterone ed anche un'importante riduzione dei livelli di LH e FSH, ormoni che controllano la spermatogenesi.
- Effetto delle **MNP sul microbiota** e sulle funzioni intestinali (ad es. l'assorbimento di micronutrienti): è noto, in particolare, come un'alterazione del microbiota possa avere ripercussioni sistemiche significative, anche sulla salute riproduttiva.

Queste tre modalità non si escludono affatto a vicenda, anzi, è plausibile che possano operare in sinergia

Toxic effects



- Although the published studies report important findings on the presence of MPs in several human biological samples, our know-how in this area still needs to be improved.



- Little is known about the role of MPs as an etiological agent of human diseases or their influence on the aggravation of pre-existing pathological conditions.



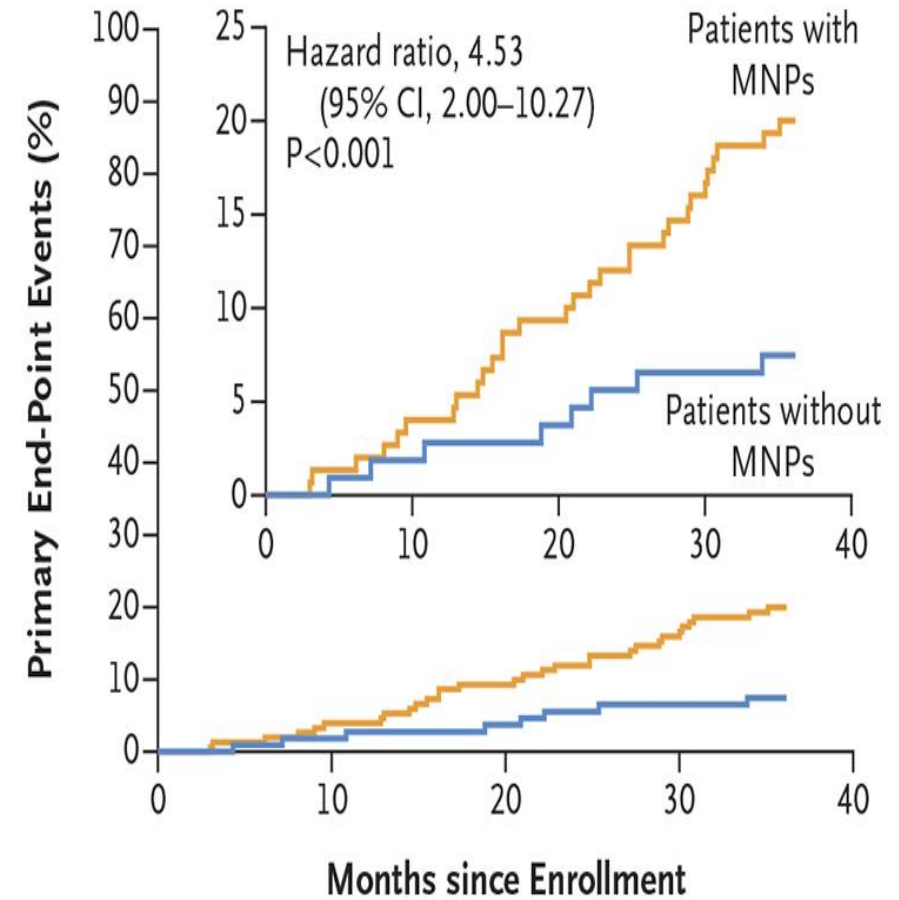
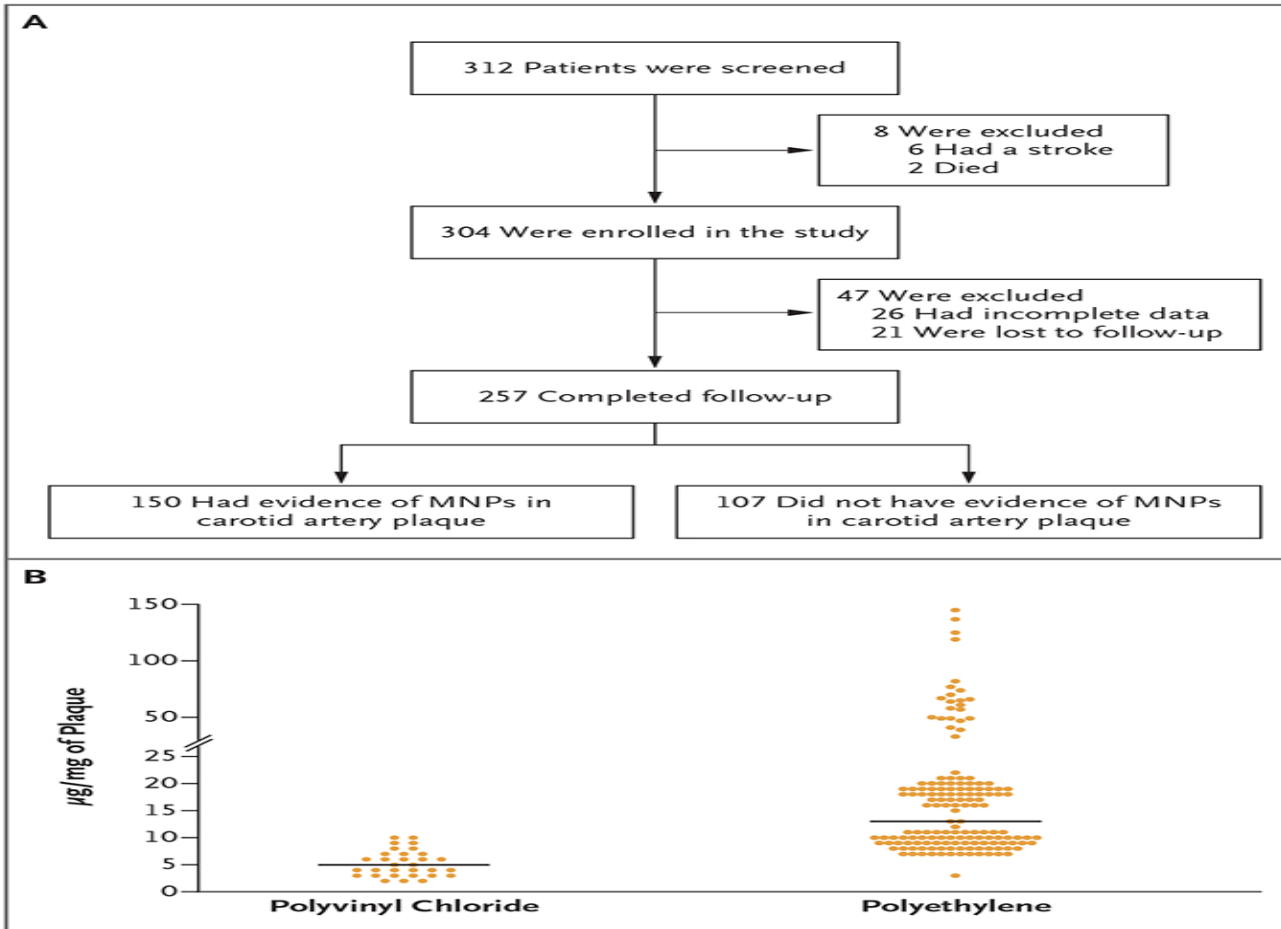
- Health risks associated to MPs exposure include the onset of inflammation, oxidative stress, and DNA damage, potential leading to cardiovascular and respiratory diseases, as well as cancer, as suggested by in vitro and in vivo studies

The MP concentrations in liver samples derived from cirrhosis were 87.9% higher than those from patients without cirrhosis.

Microplastics detected in cirrhotic liver tissue.
Horvatits T et al. EBioMedicine 2022, 82, 104147

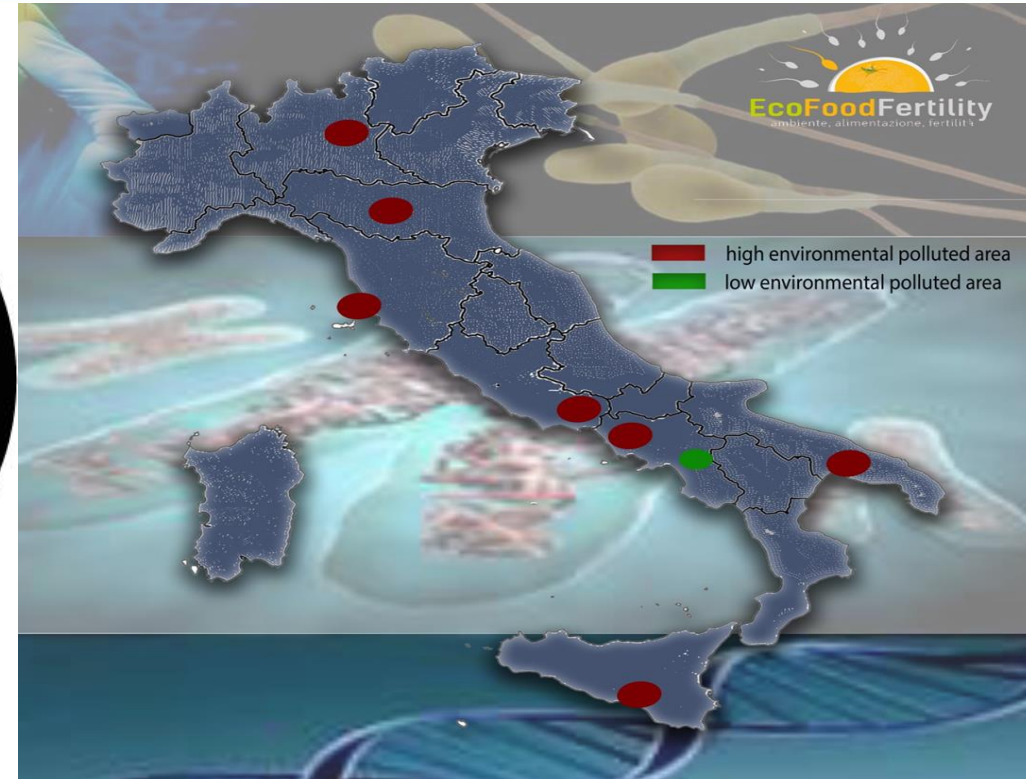
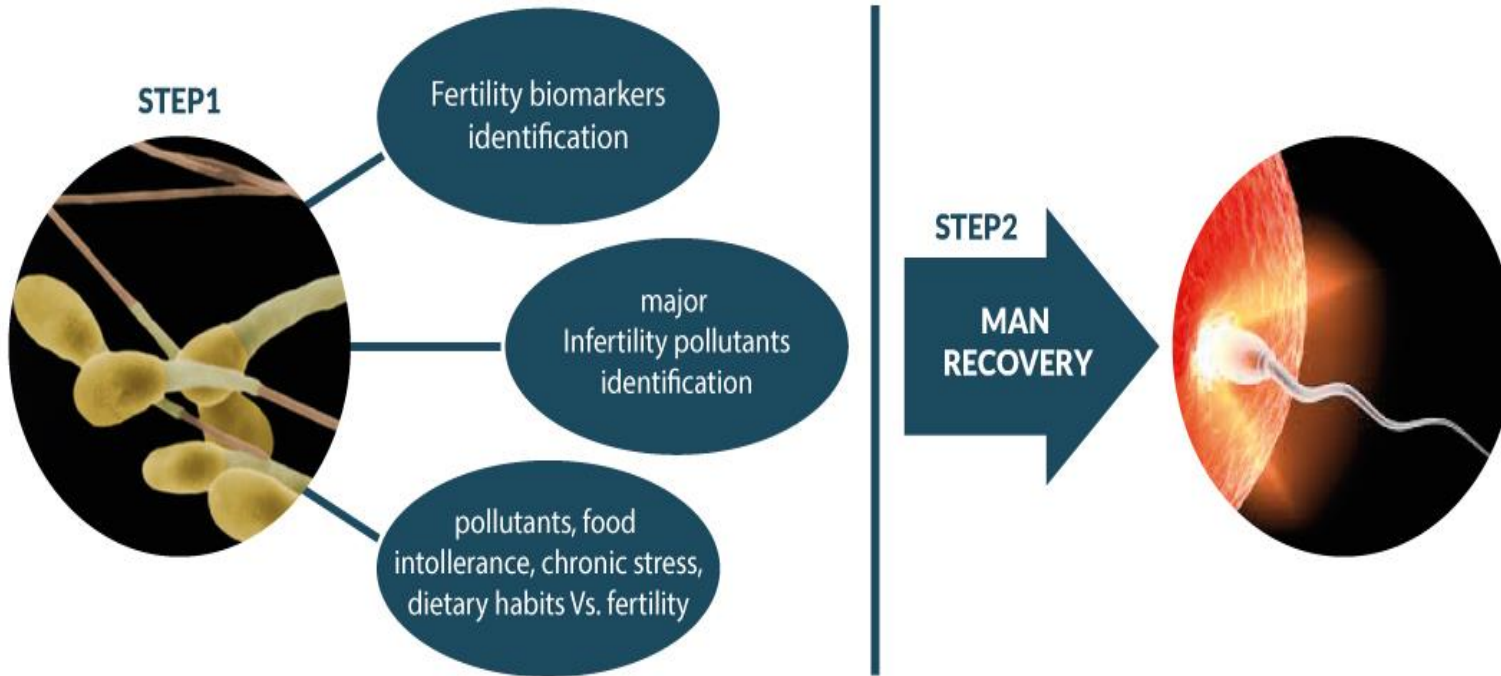


Patients with carotid artery plaque in which MNPs were detected had a higher risk of a composite of myocardial infarction, stroke, or death from any cause at 34 months of follow-up than those in whom MNPs were not detected.



No. at Risk

Patients with MNPs	150	144	136	126	120
Patients without MNPs	107	105	103	99	99



Human biomonitoring study with omics multidisciplinary approaches involving, environment, life-style and diet, with the aim of:

- developing a better understanding of the effects of environmental pollutants on human health considering reproductive biomarkers, especially human semen, as early flags of environmental pressure and enhanced risk of chronic adverse effects on health
- identifying dietary, nutraceutical and/or functional food approaches to reduce or modulate the effects of pollutants on human health



Brescia, Modena, Valle del sacco, Terra dei Fuochi, Taranto, Vicenza (HIGH Impact)
 Valle del Sele (SA), Provincia Campobasso, Area Madonie (LOW Impact),

RECRUITING SUBJECTS

18-35 healthy men and women, no smokers, no drinkers,
 no professional exposed, no chronic diseases

Clinical examination

Withdraw

Food and LifeStyle Questionnaire

SEMEN

Urine

BLOOD

Hair

Microbiome

**Female Protocol
 Follicular fluid**

Semen analysis (number, motility, morphology);
 sperm nDNA and mtDNA integrity.
 Heavy metals, PAHs, Dioxins, PCBs, PCB-Dioxin-like,
 nanoparticles, Bisphenols, Phthalates, Parabens,
 Pfoas, Pesticides, Mycotoxins, Microplastics
 RedOx status, antioxidant enzymes, sperm lipidomic
 status, epigenetics, metabolomics, proteomics.

Blood analysis and hormone dosage Heavy metals,
 PAHs, PCBs, Pcb-Dioxin-like, Dioxins, nanoparticles,
 bisphenols, Phthalates, Parabens, Pesticides;
 Micotoxins, Microplastics.
 Polymorphisms of genes involved in the metabolic
 detoxification mechanisms and DNA repair (individual
 susceptibility);
 RedOx state, epigenetics, erythrocyte lipidomic status,
 epigenetics, metabolomics, proteomics

FASE DUE DEL PROGETTO

APPROCCIO NUTRIZIONALE E ALTRE STRATEGIE DI DIFESA DALL'INQUINAMENTO

STUDI CLINICI RANDOMIZZATI (RTC) PER VALUTARE L'EFFETTO DELLE MODIFICHE DI DIETA, STILI DI VITA E/O SOSTANZE NUTRACEUTICHE-FUNZIONALI E/O ALIMENTI FUNZIONALI SUI BIOMARCATORI DI ESPOSIZIONE ED EFFETTO

Gruppo di INTERVENTO

Gruppo di CONTROLLO
A

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B

OBIETTIVO

- ❑ Favorire l'eliminazione di sostanze tossiche,
- ❑ aumentare i meccanismi di cito-protezione e detossificazione,
- ❑ migliorare gli indici dei biomarcatori ossidativi, immunologici, epigenetici, proteomici lipidomici, metabolomici

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Article

First Evidence of Microplastics in Human Urine, a Preliminary Study of Intake in the Human Body

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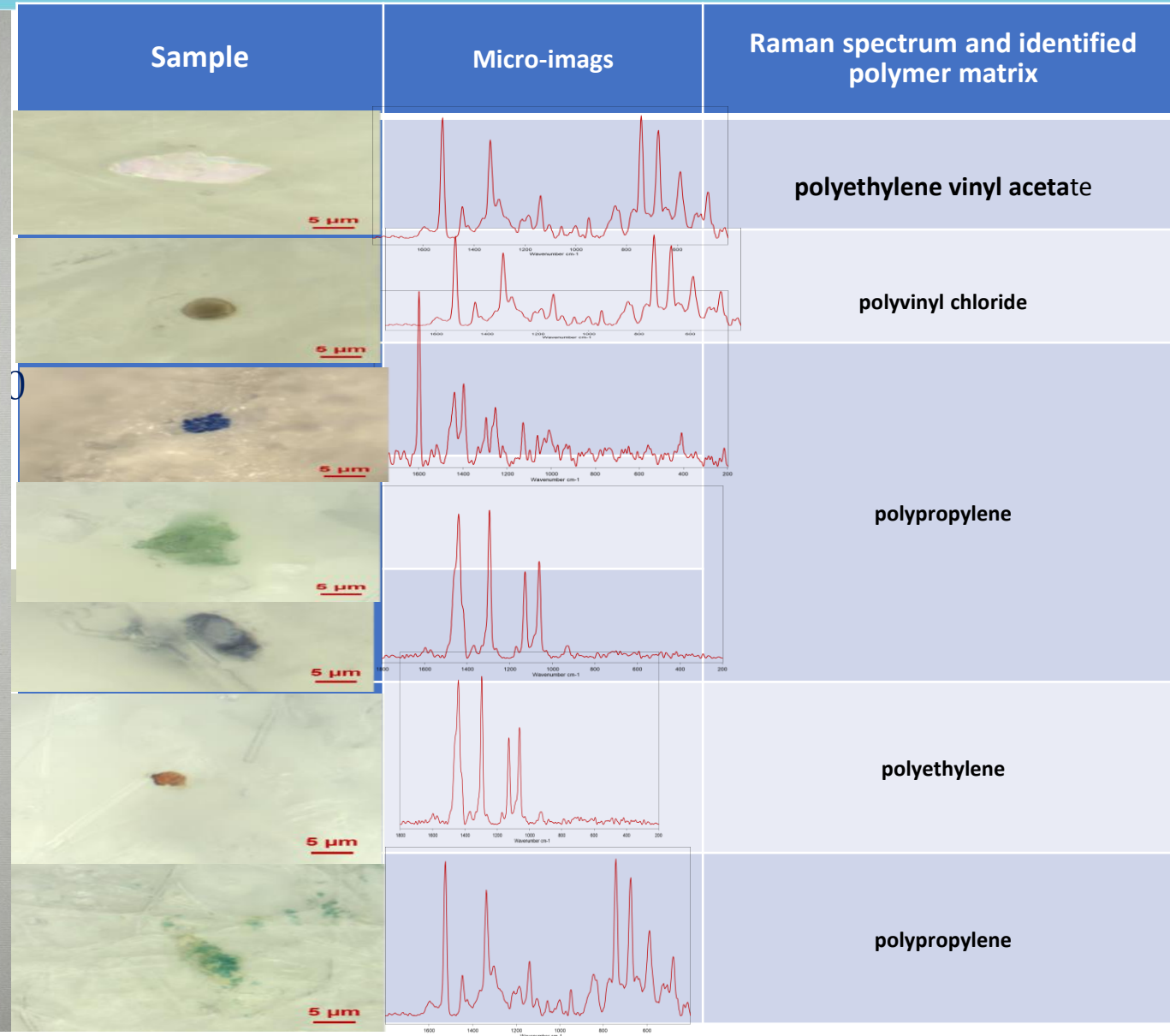
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L'analisi sulle urine di 6 volontari ha individuato quattro frammenti pigmentati (dimensioni 4-15 μm), di forma irregolare, che sono stati caratterizzati in termini di morfologia e composizione chimica. Polietilene vinilacetato (PVA), cloruro di polivinile (PVC), polipropilene (PP) e polietilene (PE) sono stati trovati in quattro campioni (PVA e PVC in un campione femminile e PP e PE in tre campioni maschili). Questo studio preliminare suggerisce che le MP possano passare attraverso il tratto gastrointestinale e vengano eliminati attraverso processi biologici.

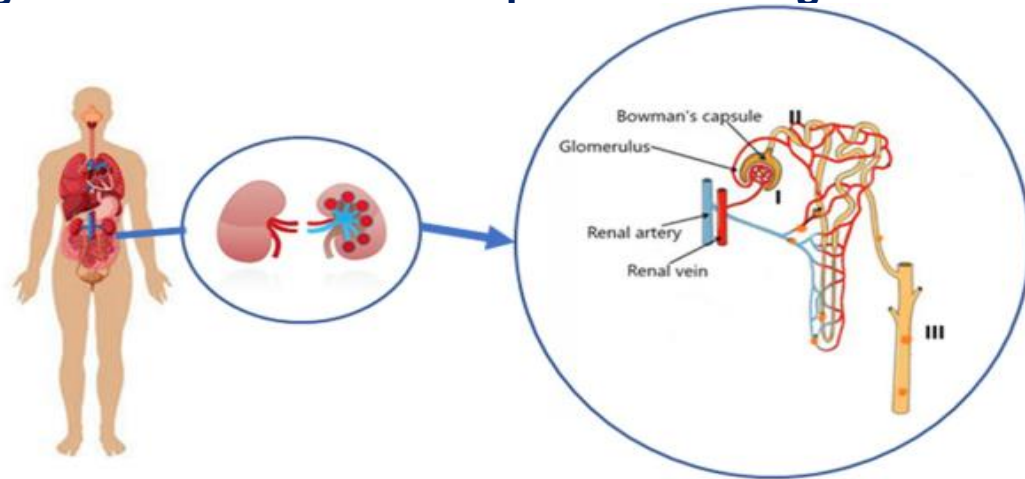


Figure 1. Description of the renal excretion of MPs: (I) through the bloodstream, MPs can flow inside of the glomerular tuft, without passing across the intact filtration barrier due to their size; (II) MPs are uptaken by the epithelial cells of the proximal convoluted tubules through endo- or macropinocytosis and then secreted into the tubular lumen; (III) MPs pass through the tubular system to be excreted with urine [39–42].

Table 1. MPs presence in individual samples, including morphology, size, color, and polymer matrix.

Sample	N. of MPs	Shape	Size	Color	Polymer Matrix
#1 Female	0	-	-	-	-
#2 Female	2	irregular fragment	~15 μm	transparent	polyethylene vinyl acetate
		sphere	~7 μm	brown	polyvinyl chloride
#3 Female	0	-	-	-	-
#4 Male	3	irregular fragment	~5 μm	blue	polypropylene
		irregular fragment	~10 μm	blue/grey	polypropylene
		irregular fragment	~15 μm	green	polypropylene
#5 Male	1	irregular fragment	~4 μm	red	polyethylene
#6 Male	1	irregular fragment	~10 μm	green	polypropylene



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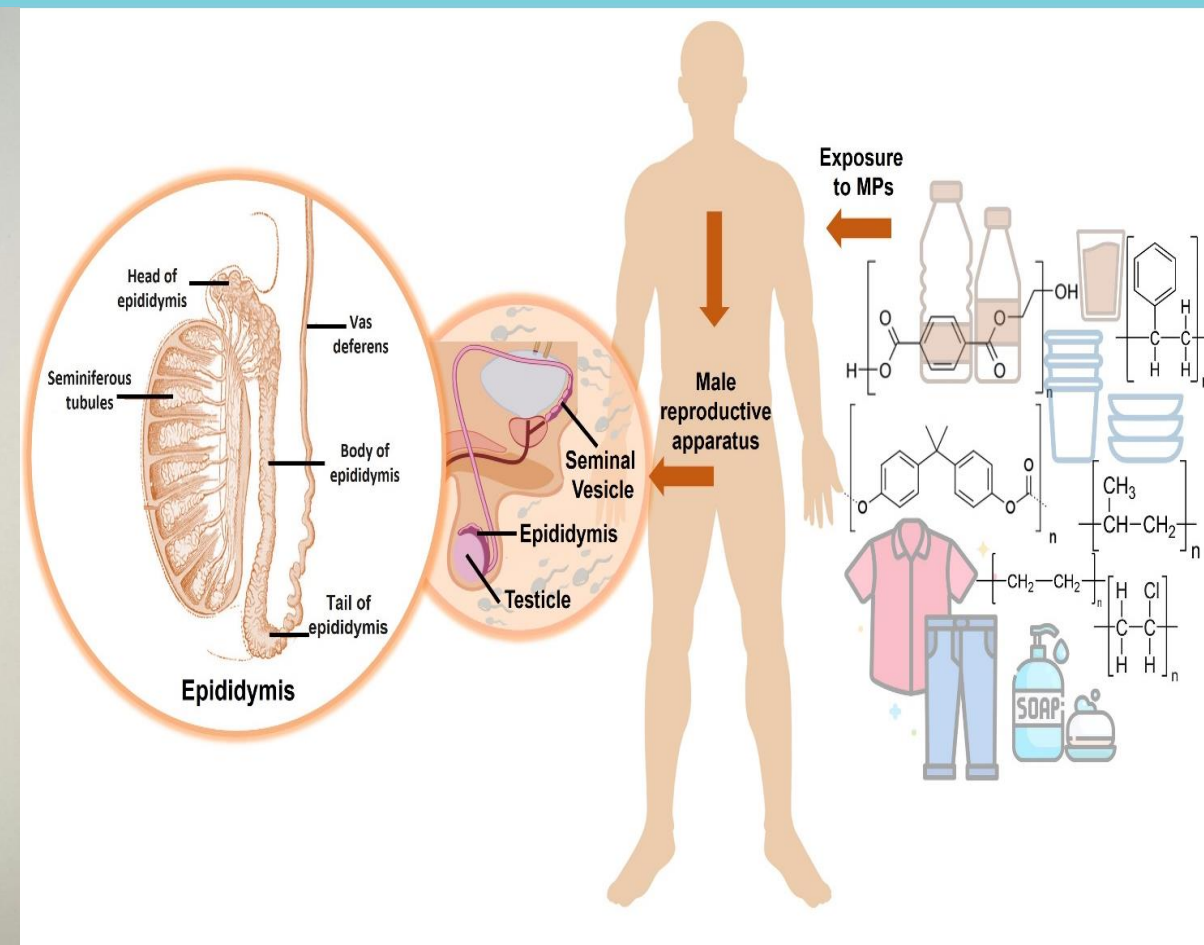
Raman Microspectroscopy evidence of microplastics in human semen

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In this study, human semen samples, collected from consenting men, were analyzed by Raman Microspectroscopy to evaluate the presence of microplastics. In total, **16 pigmented microplastic fragments (ranging from 2 to 6 μm in size)**, with spheric or irregular shape were found in six out of ten samples; all microplastic particles were characterized in terms of chemical composition and morphology. Chemical composition showed the presence of PP, PE, PET, PS, PVC, PC, POM and acrylic, suggesting ingestion and/or inhalation as a route of exposure to environmental MPs. In this paper, we propose for the first time a mechanism through which MPs pass the testicular barrier, epididymis, seminal vesicles and prostate gland reaching the semen.

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Table 1. Number, morphological (shape, size, color) and chemical (polymer matrix) features of MPs found in human sperm samples.

	Sample	N. of MPs	Shape	Size	Colour	Polymer Matrix
a			elongated fragment	~4 µm	green	polypropylene
			sphere	~4 µm	black	polystyrene
b		5	irregular fragment	~3 µm	grey	polyethylene terephthalate
			sphere	~2 µm	orange	polyethylene
			irregular fragment	~3 µm	orange	polyoxymethylene
			irregular fragment	~6 µm	green	polyethylene terephthalate
c		4	irregular fragment	~3 µm	black	polycarbonate
			irregular fragment	~5 µm	clear	polycarbonate
			irregular fragment	~4 µm	orange	polyvinylchloride
d		3	irregular fragment	~3 µm	grey	polystyrene
			irregular fragment	~4 µm	blue	polyethylene
			irregular fragment	~3 µm	orange	polypropylene
e		2	irregular fragment	~6 µm	blue	polyethylene
			sphere	~2 µm	yellow	polystyrene
#5	0	-	-	-	-	
#6	0	-	-	-	-	
#7	0	-	-	-	-	
#8	0	-	-	-	-	
#9	1	1	irregular fragment	~5 µm	blue	polypropylene
#10	1	1	irregular fragment	~4 µm	magenta	acrylic

MICROPLASTICHE NELLO SPERMA UMANO

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Table 2. Results of spermograms on participants' samples.

ID	Volume (mL)	N°SPS/mL	Rapidly Progressive (%)	Slowly progressive (%)	Non-progressive (%)	Immotile (%)	Morphology (%)	Round cells
#1	2.0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0
#2	2.2	12	5	10	5	80	3	3
#3	1.3	6	25	10	30	35	3	3
#4	1.1	45	20	25	10	45	5	8
#5	1.9	96	15	15	25	45	5	14
#6	2.5	42	25	30	15	30	6	2
#7	3.5	112	35	20	25	20	9	2
#8	2.5	55	25	25	10	40	7	2
#9	3.3	74	30	10	25	35	6	4
#10	2.3	66	20	25	15	40	5	3

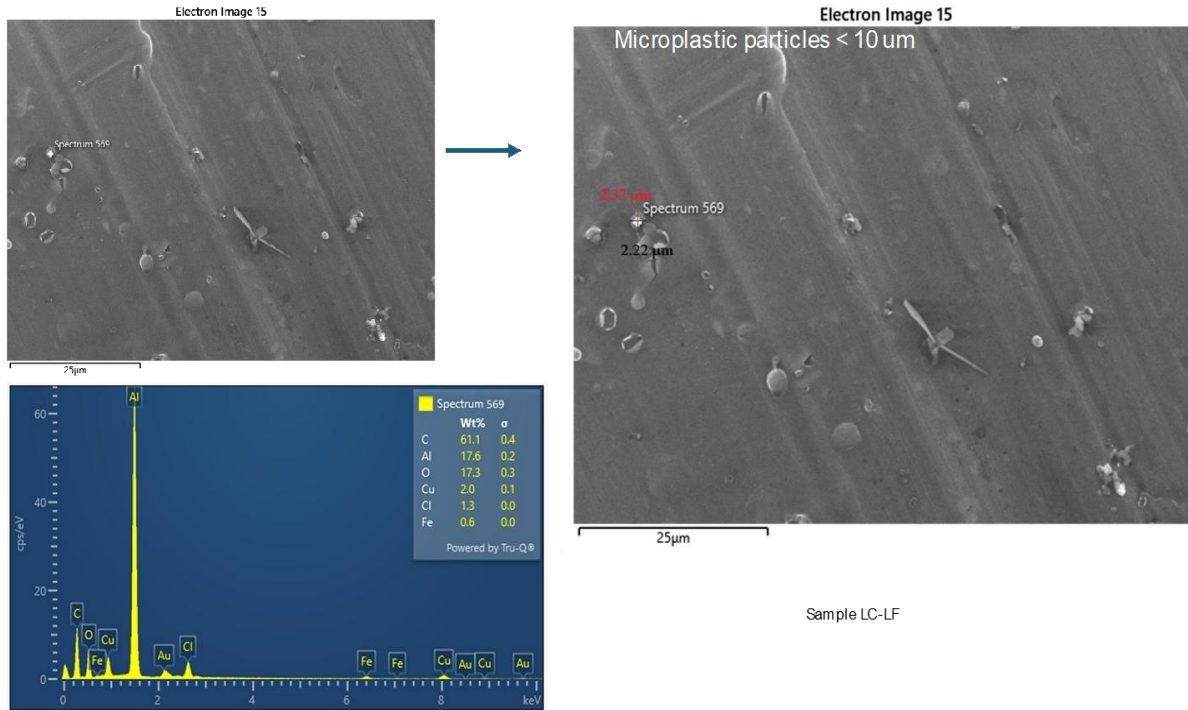
MICROPLASTICA NEI TESTICOLI UMANI: IL POLIETILENE LA PIÙ DIFFUSA



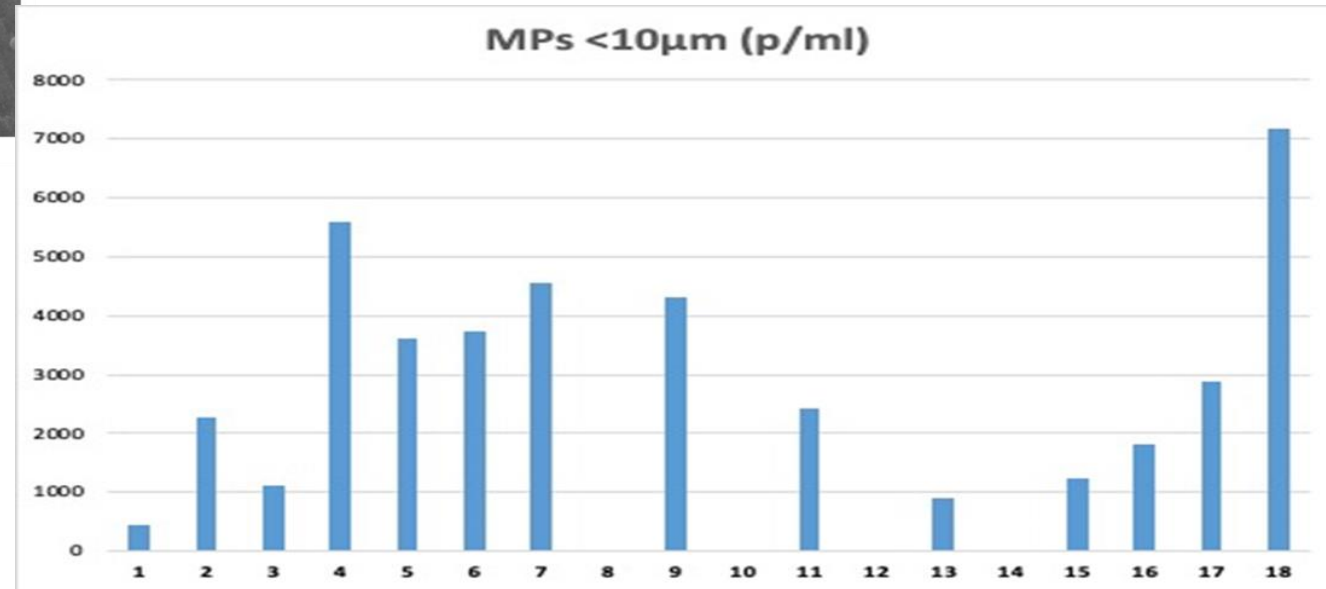
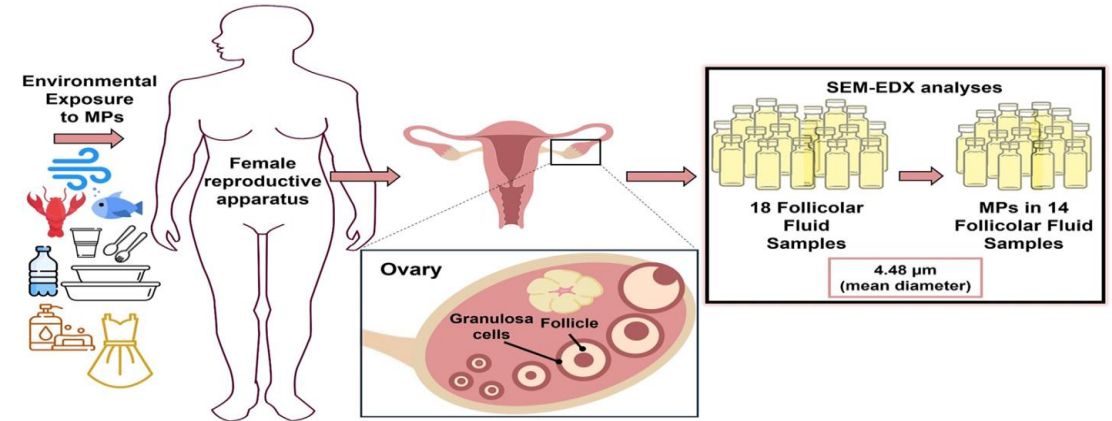
In media i testicoli umani avevano una concentrazione di plastica quasi tre volte superiore a quella riscontrata nei testicoli dei cani, dove la qualità spermatica era risultata ridotta

First evidence of microplastics in human ovarian follicular fluid (14 out of 18 samples)

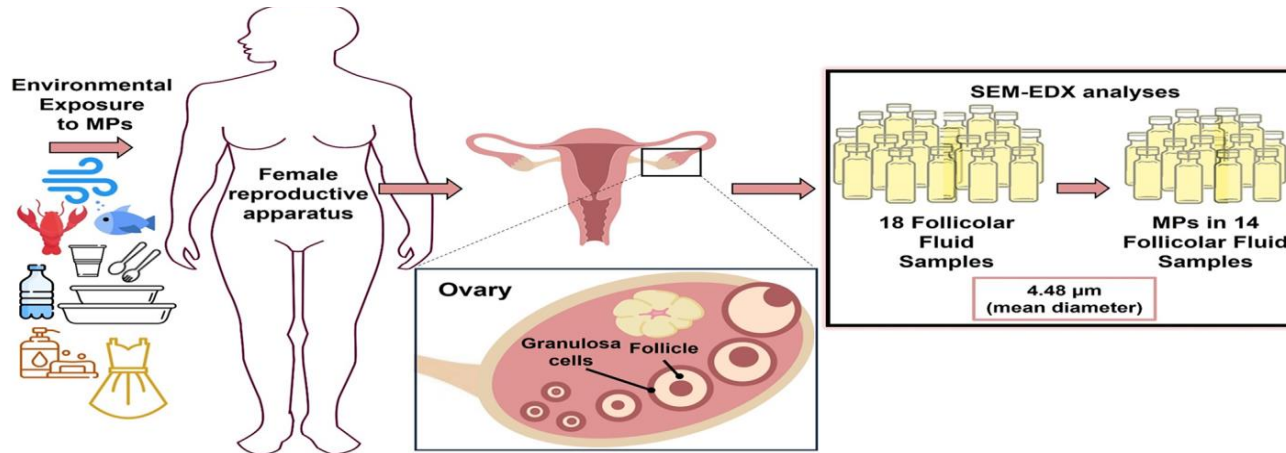
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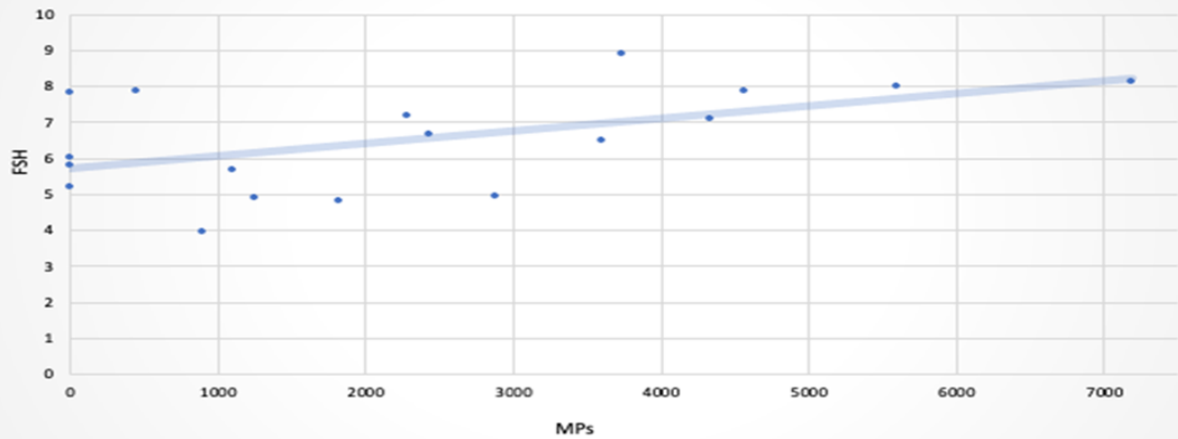
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 Size 3 – 6 μm



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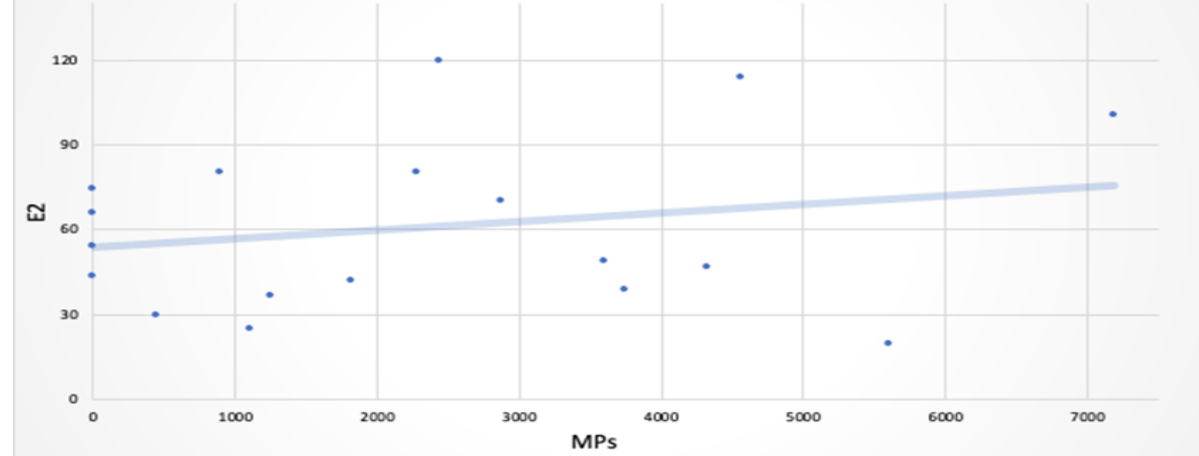


Pearson's correlation MPs-FSH



Correlation graph between number of MPs and FSH

Pearson's correlation MPs-E2



Correlation graph between number of MPs and E2

Human Semen

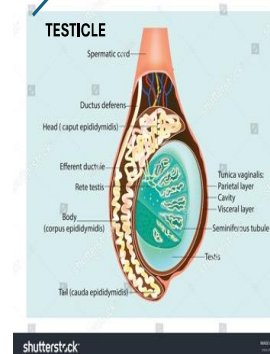
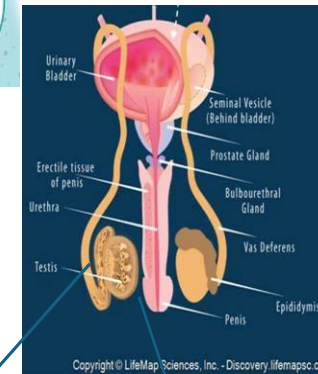
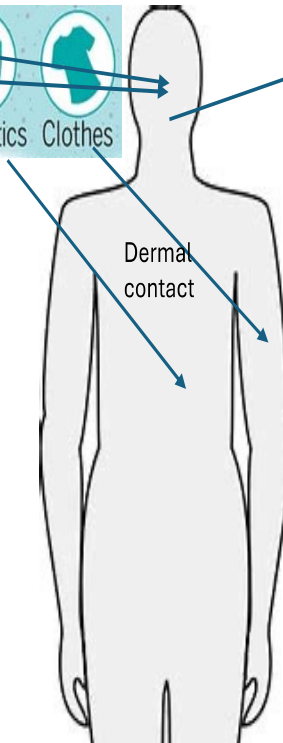
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Mean dm: 4,01 μm

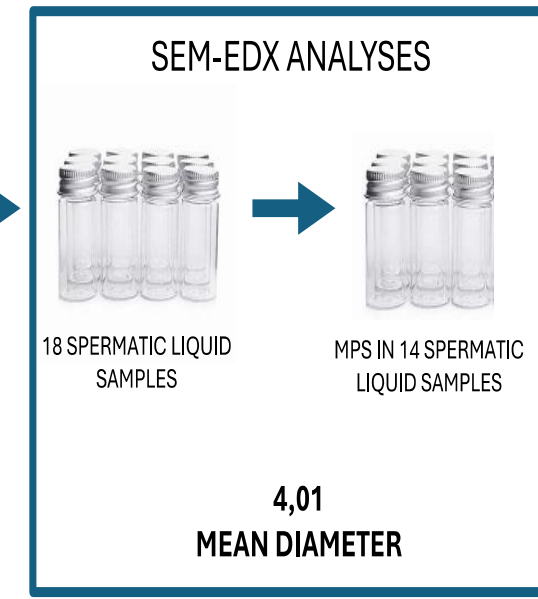
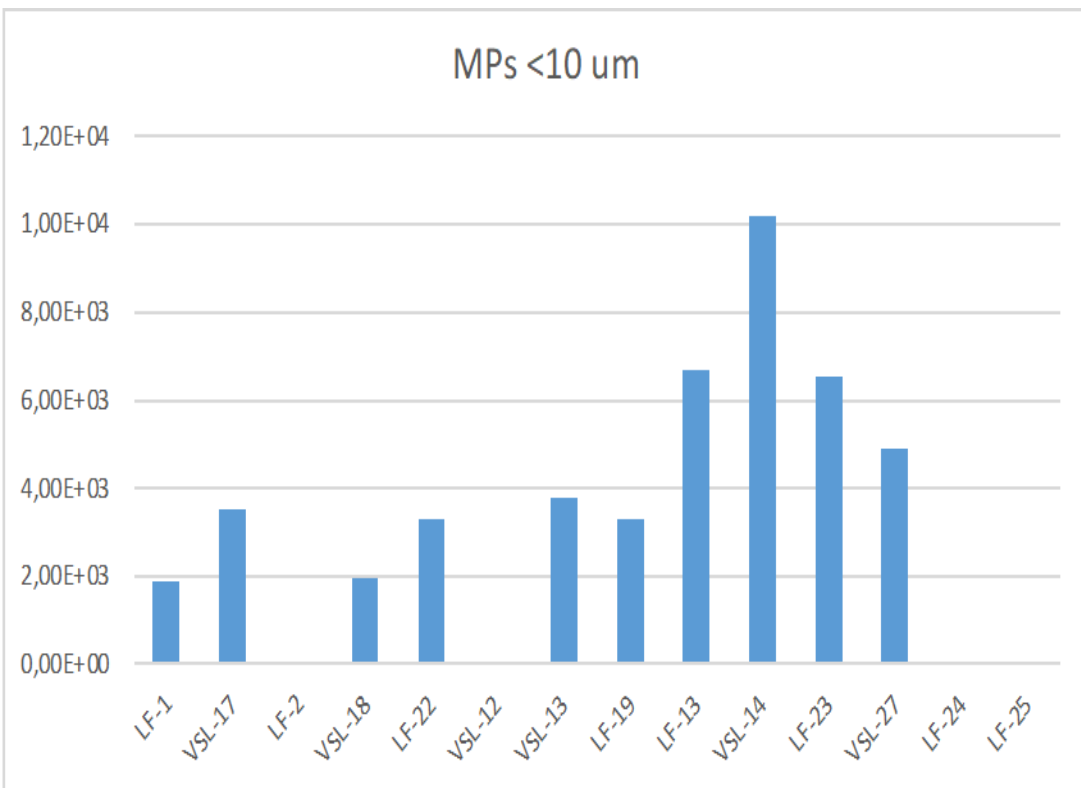
Follicular fluid

Mean 2191 p/ml

Mean dm: 4.48 μm



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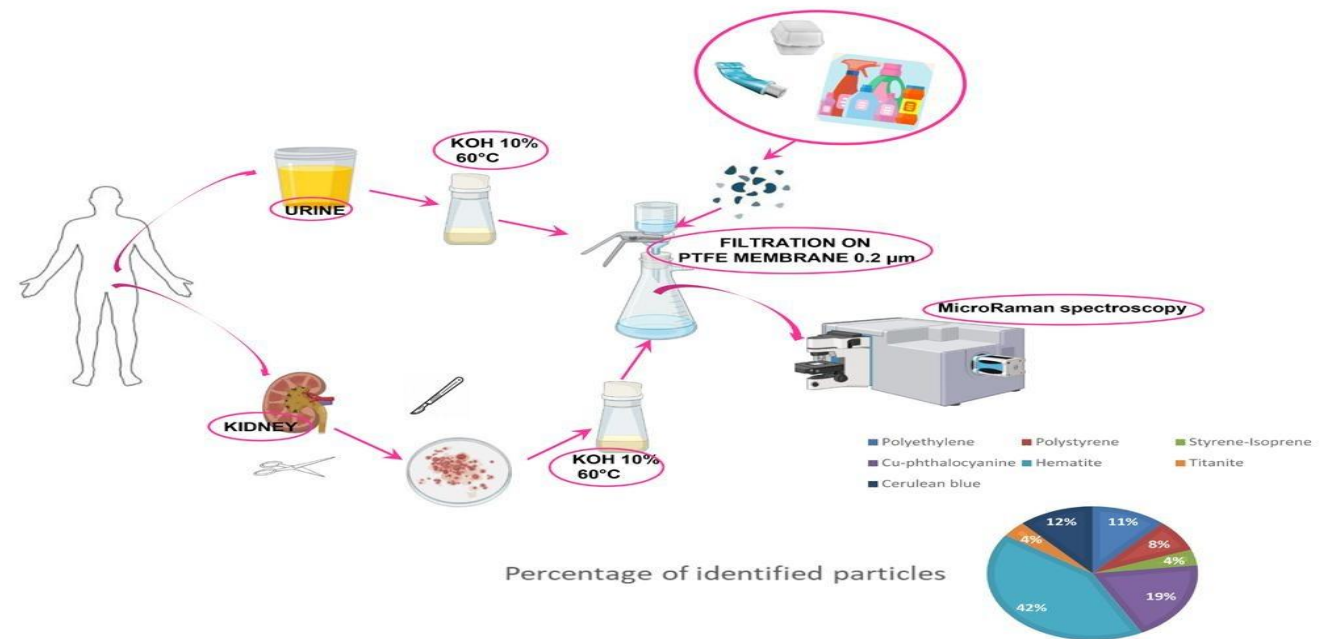


MicroRaman spectroscopy detects the presence of microplastics in human urine and kidney tissue

Environment International Volume 184, February 2024, 108444

Highlights

- Recent evidence reports microplastics' presence in human tissues and fluids.
- MicroRaman spectroscopy is employed to detect microplastics in biological samples.
- 66 microparticles fragments were found in **10 kidney tissues and 10 urine samples** and 26 out of 66 were characterized.
- The most often detected pieces and pigments are polyethylene, polystyrene, hematite.



- Few studies investigated the possible toxic effects of MPs in kidney tissues and cells. Wang et al. showed **PS-MPs induced renal histological changes (inflammatory infiltration, tubular and glomerular damage) and alterations of the kidney function in juvenile rats** that, mainly through the stimulation of oxidative stress and inflammation (Wang et al., 2023). These results confirmed other studies observing that mice treated with **PS microspheres present increased oxidative stress and inflammatory mediators' activation leading to kidney damage** (Meng et al., 2022, Wang et al., 2021). Interestingly, in these studies it seems that plastic **particles with smaller size have a more toxic effect on cells** (Hwang et al., 2020). Overall, **data suggest that exposure to MPs may constitute a high-risk condition for kidney health.**

Mechanisms of glomerular filtration and tubular secretion or re-absorption for small size MPs and NPs cannot be excluded, while **bigger MPs could undergo passive diffusion and endocytosis and macropinocytosis mechanisms** (Katsumiti et al., 2021, Yang et al., 2022) to be then secreted into the tubules.

Comparative analysis of the bioaccumulation of Bisphenol A in blood serum and follicular fluid in women living in two areas with different environmental impact

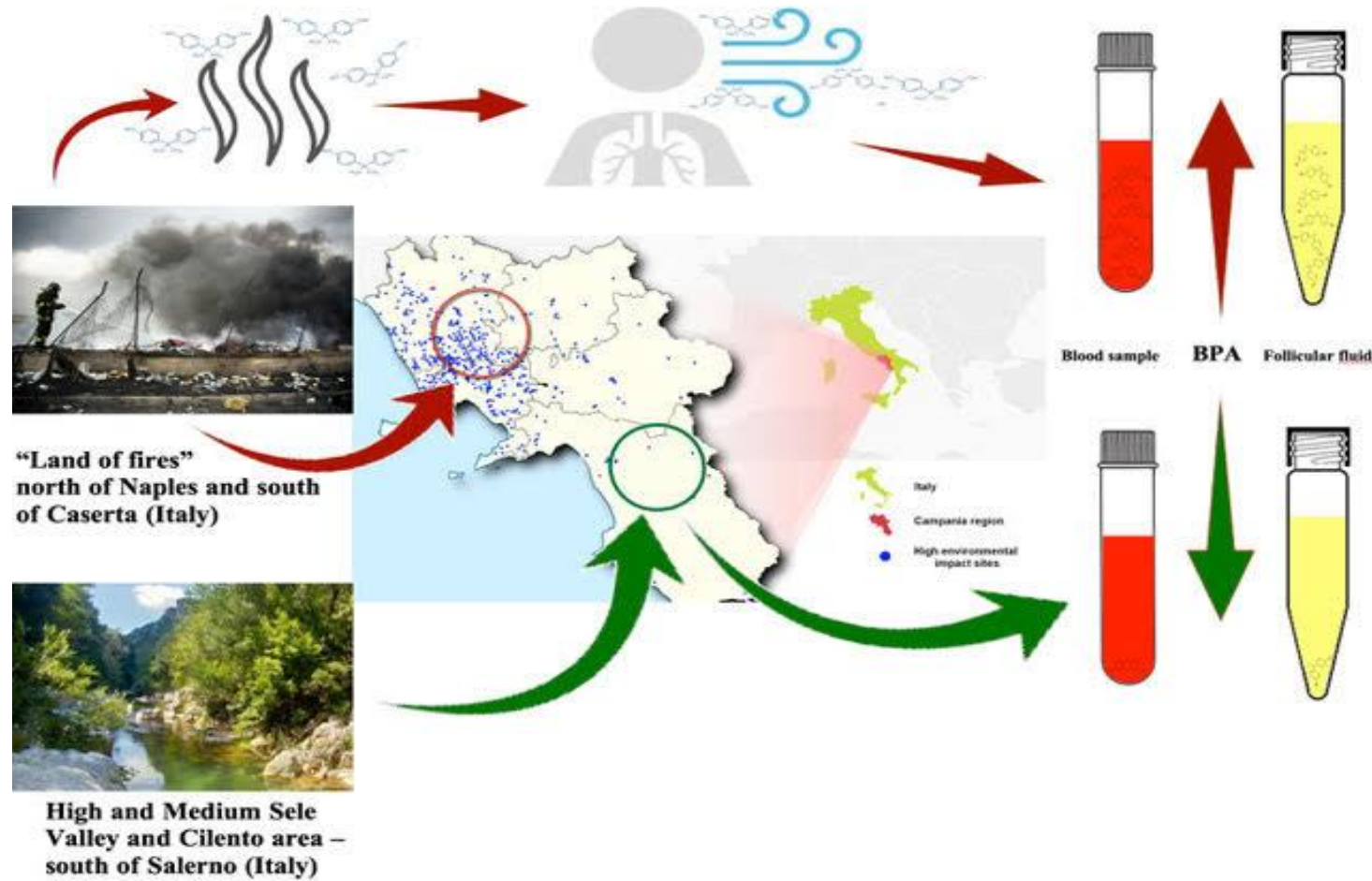
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HIGHLIGHTS

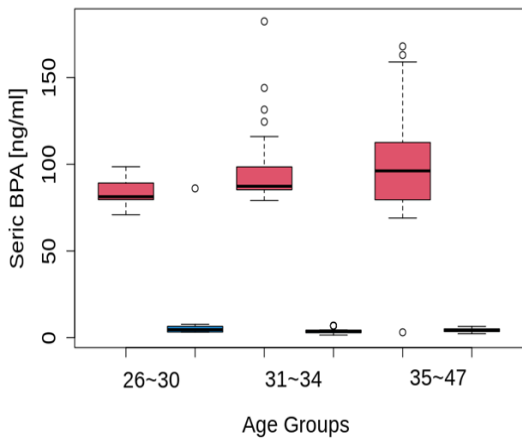
Higher BPA levels in blood and follicle fluid in women living in a polluted area

BPA in air, can strongly impact BPA accumulation in the body fluids

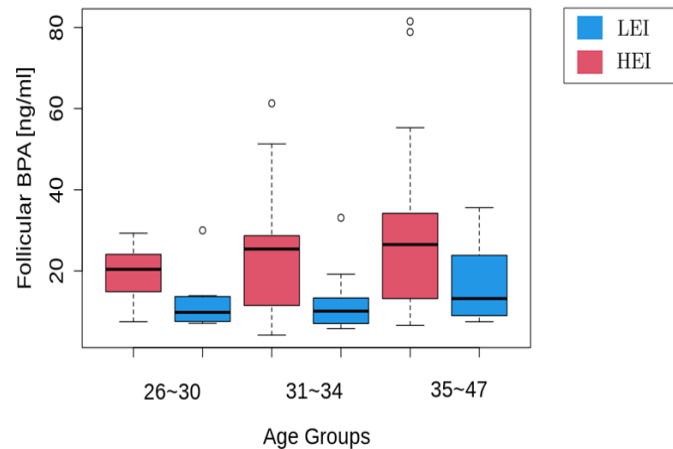
BPA bioaccumulation in blood serum and follicle fluid are not correlated.



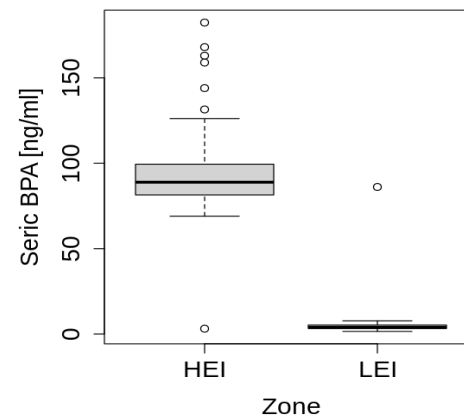
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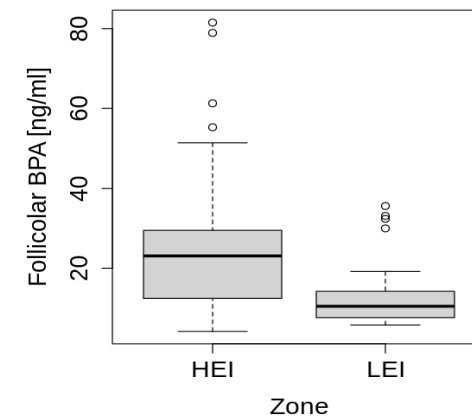
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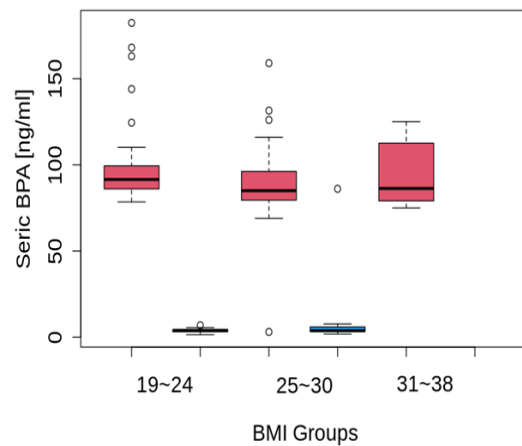
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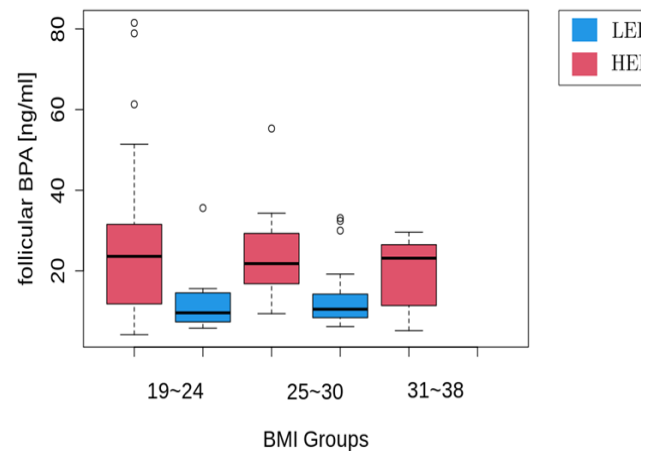
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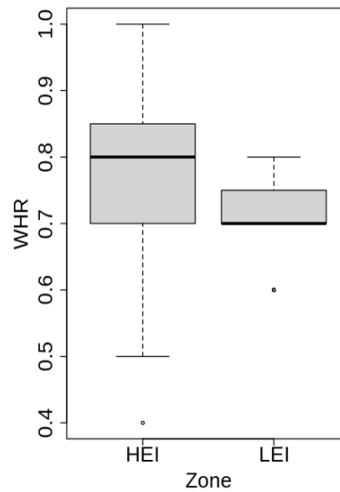
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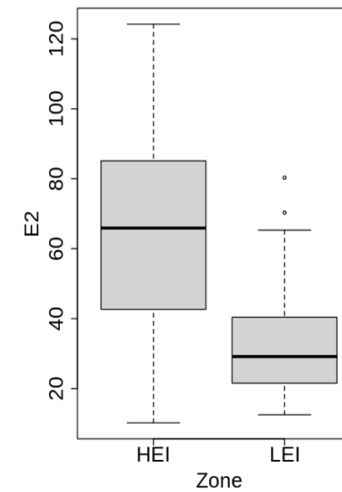
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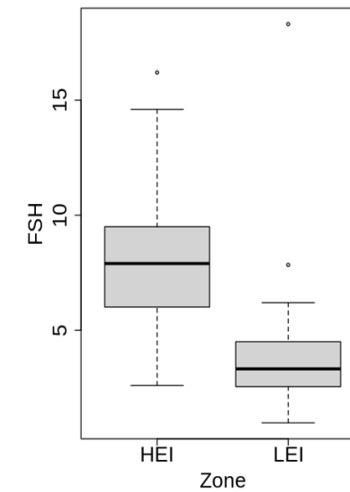
WHR vs. Zone



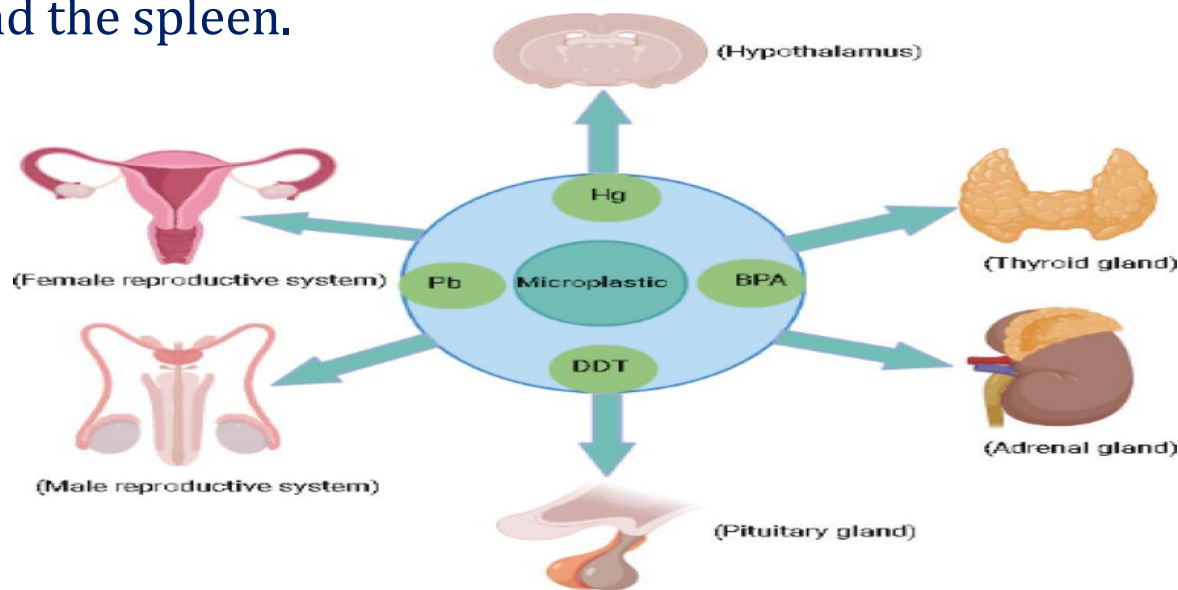
E2 vs. Zone



FSH vs. Zone



The large surface area and **hydrophobic surface** of MPs make them a suitable medium for carrying many **pollutants such as EDCs, heavy metals, and other toxic organic chemicals**, making them harmful to mammals through bioaccumulation and biomagnification processes . **These are called “Trojan Horse Effects” of MPs, and induce several synergistic, behavioral, histological, and biomolecular alternations.** Studies have shown that MPs of size **0.1-10 μm** can cross biological membranes, blood-brain barrier, and even placenta, enhancing the possibilities of their bio-accumulation in secondary tissues such as the liver and brain . While MPs **<150 μm** can cross the gastrointestinal tract, those **<5 μm** can accumulate in macrophages and be carried to the blood circulation and the spleen.



- Influence of microplastics on the bioconcentration of organic contaminants in fish: Is the “Trojan horse” effect a matter of concern? Scell A et al. Environmental Pollution. Volume 306, 1 August **2022**, 119473

- A review of the endocrine disrupting effects of micro and nano plastic and their associated chemicals in mammals. Ullah S et al, Front Endocrinol. **2022**. 13: 1084236.

1251 reproductive hazards

Int J Environ Res Public Health. 2019 Jan 28;16(3)



320 CHEMICALS TESTED | 165 CHEMICALS DETECTED

PCBs
209 TESTED



97
DETECTED

PCDEs
40 TESTED



25
DETECTED

PESTICIDES
28 TESTED



16
DETECTED

DIOXINS
17 TESTED



10
DETECTED

PHTHALATES
7 TESTED



7
DETECTED

PFAs
13 TESTED



7
DETECTED

METALS
4 TESTED



3
DETECTED

BISPHENOLS
2 TESTED



0
DETECTED

RESULT OF CONCERN

- **BDE- 47 (Tetra)**
 Test Result: 249 ppb*
 CDC Mean: n/a

 HEALTH EFFECTS (SUSPECTEL)
 - thyroid
 - neurodevelopmental

 Now being phased out, this fire retardant is in many products and resists environmental degradation.
- **Dieldrin**
 Test Result: 5.11 ppb
 CDC Mean: n/a

 HEALTH EFFECTS
 - neurological
 - kidney

 A pesticide once used to kill termites and other soil insect it still lingers in the environment.
- **p,p'-DDE**
 Test Result: 256 ppb
 CDC Mean: 295 ppb

 HEALTH EFFECTS (SUSPECTEL)
 - reproductive
 - liver

 A breakdown product of DDT (now banned) that lingers in the body, it has health effect similar to those of the pesticide.
- **mMeP**
 Test Result: 34.8 ppb
 CDC Mean: 1.15 ppb

 HEALTH EFFECTS (SUSPECTEL)
 - reproductive

 It's a member of a class called phthalates, used to thicken lotions and make plastics flexible.
- **Mercury**
 Test 1: 5 micrograms/liter
 Test 2: 12 micrograms/l
 CDC Poisoning Level: 10

 HEALTH EFFECTS
 - neurological
 - reproductive

 Duncan's blood level of the toxic metal more than doubled after he ate two meals of swordfish and halibut.

TOXIC CHEMICAL EXPOSURE



AIR
Inhalation
Skin contact



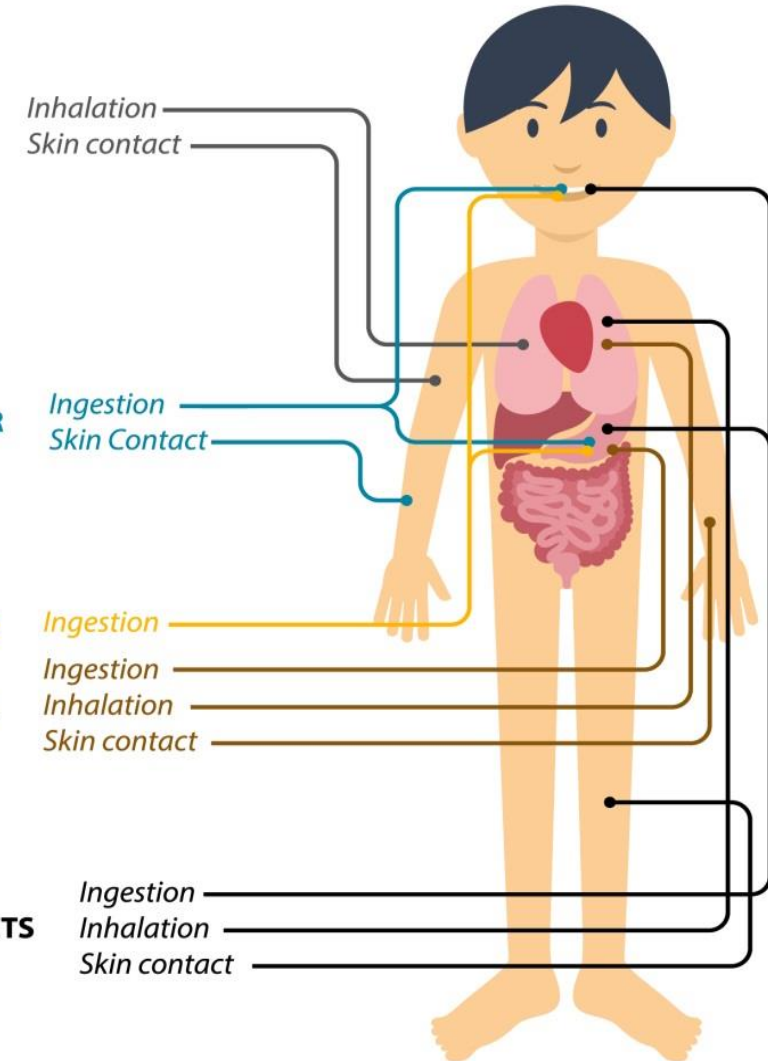
WATER
Ingestion
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FOOD
Ingestion
SOIL
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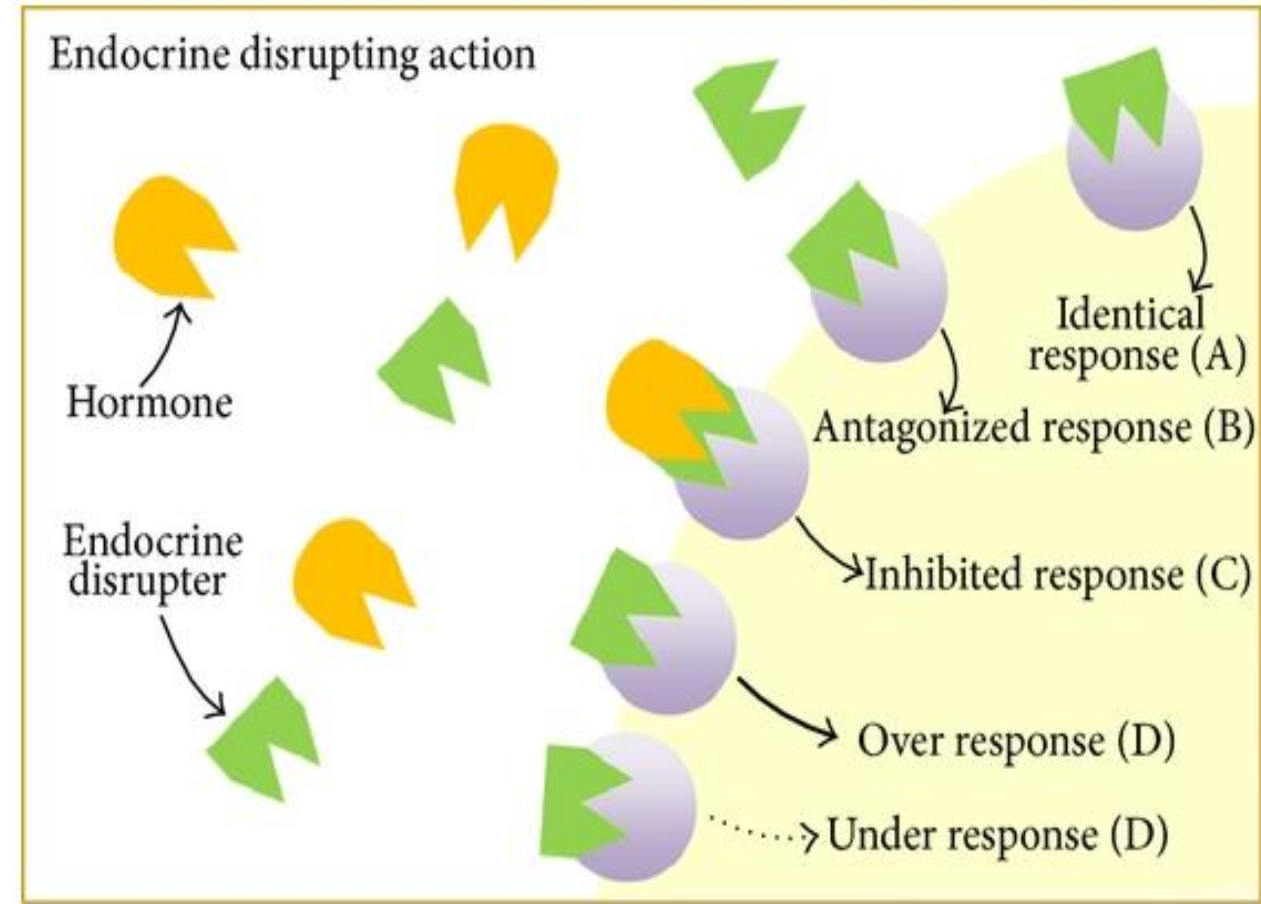
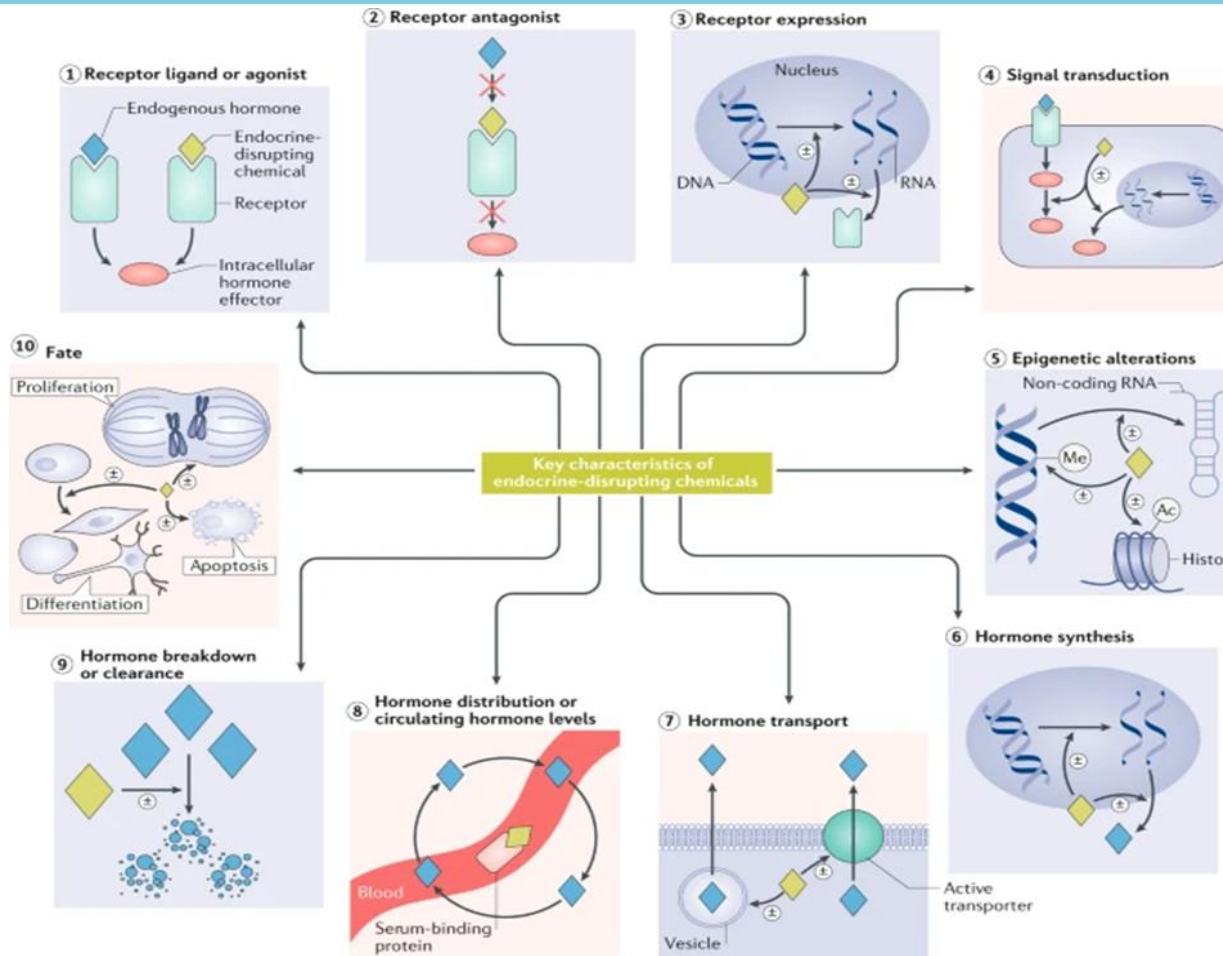


PRODUCTS
Ingestion
Inhalation
Skin contact



Consensus on the key characteristics of endocrine-disrupting chemicals as a basis for hazard identification.

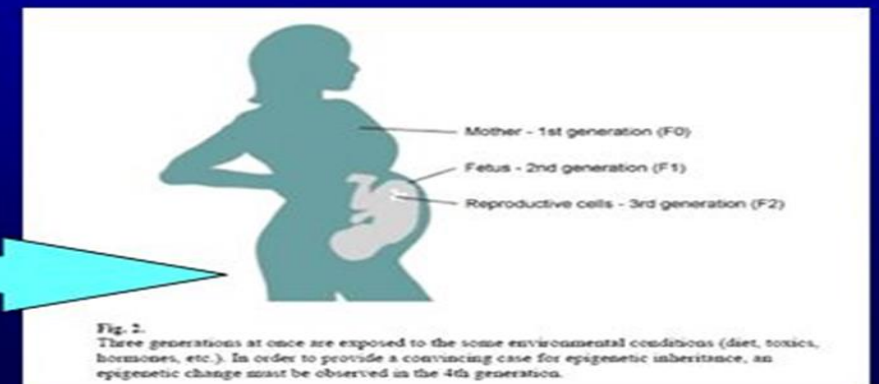
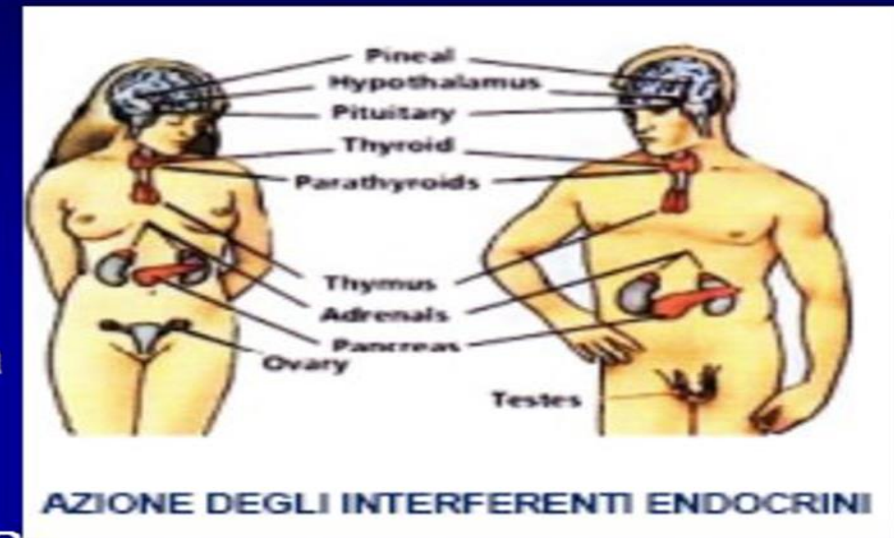
Michele A. La Merrill et al. Nature Endocrinology, 2020



Heterogeneous group of exogenous substances characterized by their ability to negatively interfere with the processes of synthesis, secretion, transport, metabolism, receptor interaction, or elimination of hormones, causing adverse effects on the health of an organism, its progeny, or a (sub)population.

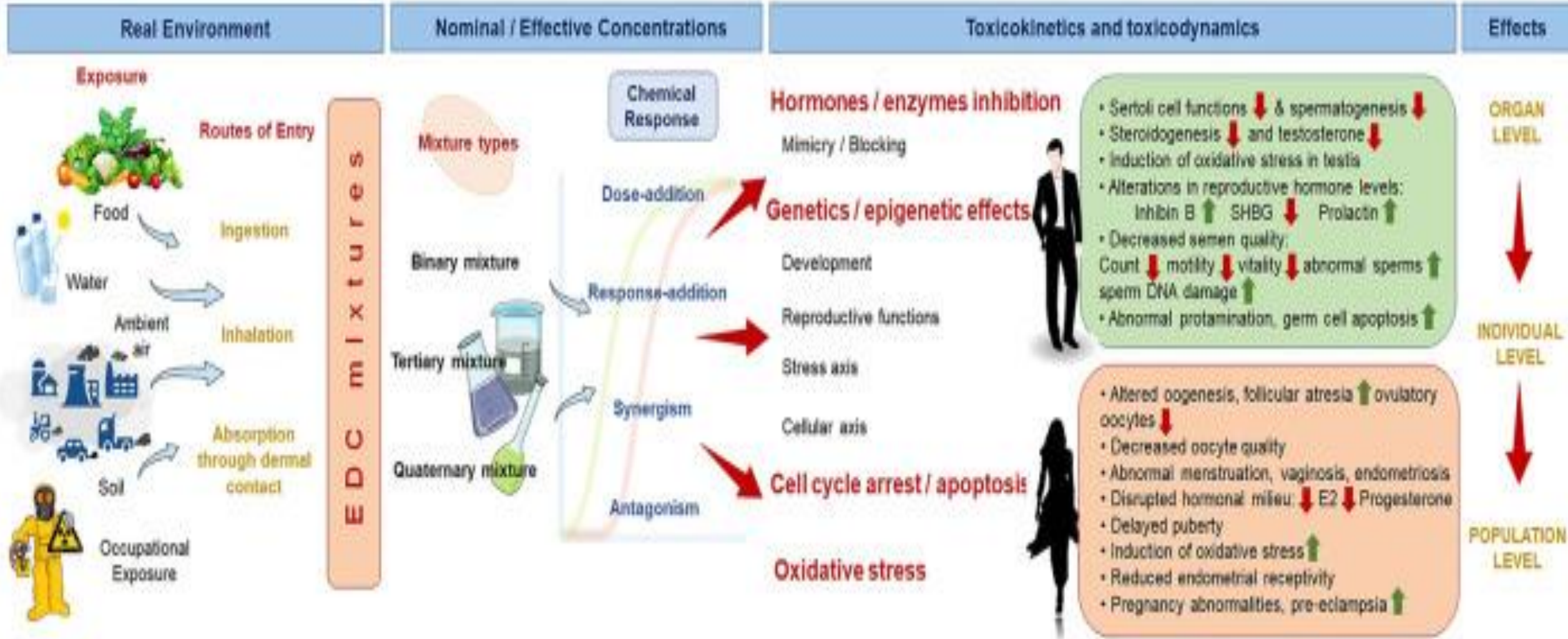
EFFETTI SULLA SALUTE RICONDUCIBILI ALL'AZIONE DI INTERFERENTI ENDOCRINI

- disfunzioni ormonali (specie alla tiroide) e metaboliche
- sviluppo puberale precoce
- diminuzione fertilità
- abortività spontanea, endometriosi, gravidanza extrauterina, parto pre termine
- disturbi autoimmuni
- aumentato rischio di criptorchidismo e ipospadia
- diabete/ alcune forme di obesità
- elevato rischio di tumori
- deficit cognitivi e disturbi comportamentali
- patologie neurodegenerative
- danni transgenerazionali



Reproductive toxicity of combined effects of endocrine disruptors on human reproduction

Sulagna Dutta et al. Front Cell Dev Biol. **2023**; 11: 1162015



Effects of lifestyle factors on fertility: practical recommendations for modification

Reproduction and Fertility (2021) 1 R13–R26
<https://doi.org/10.1530/RAF-20-0046>

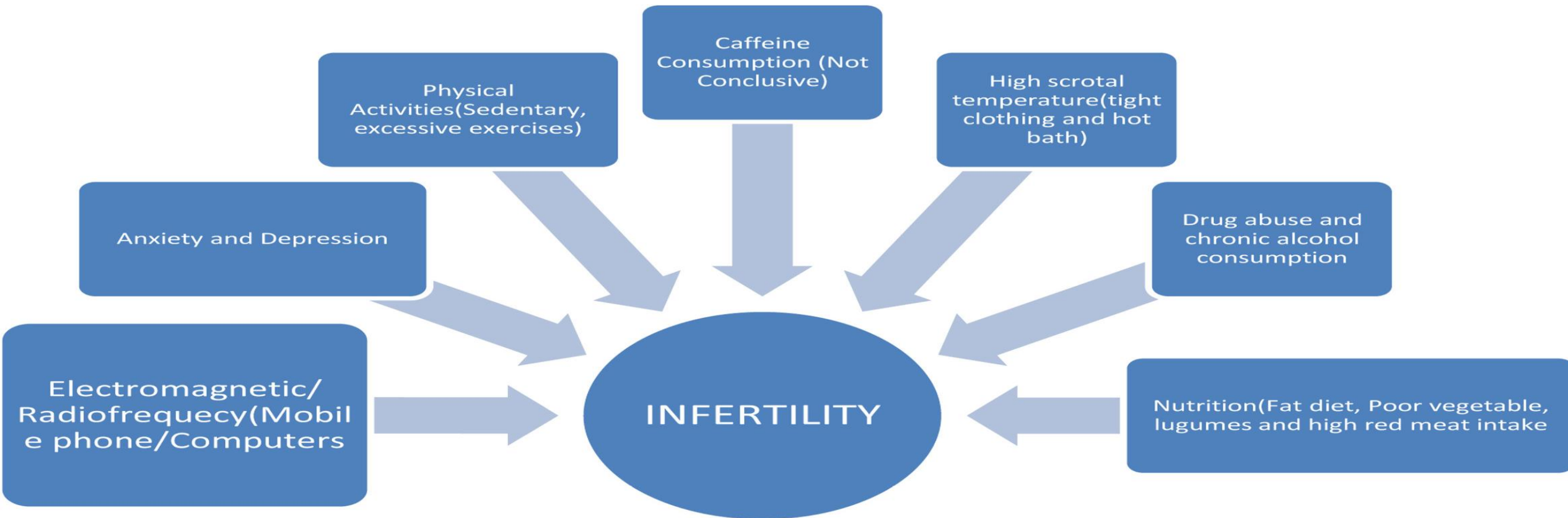


Figure 1 Schematic representation of lifestyle behaviors on infertility in both males and females.

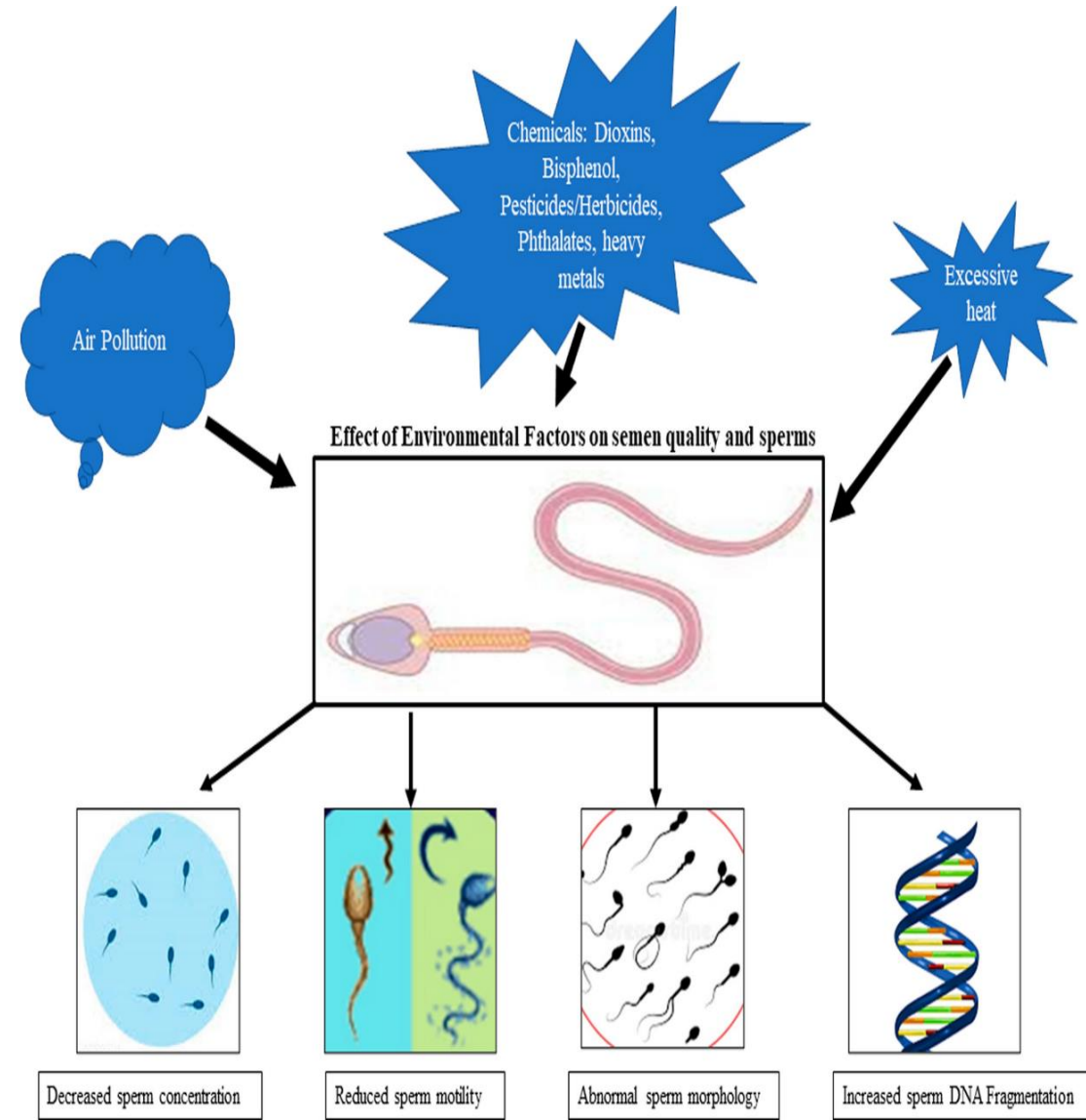
Background

Worldwide rising trend in infertility has been observed in the past few years with male infertility arising as a major problem.

The present **review** focuses on some of these environmental factors that affect semen quality and hence, can cause male infertility. **The literature from 2000 till June**

2021 was searched from various English peer-reviewed journals

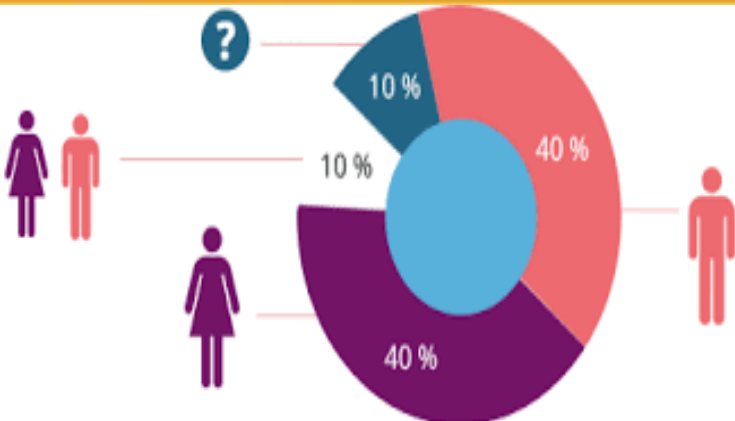
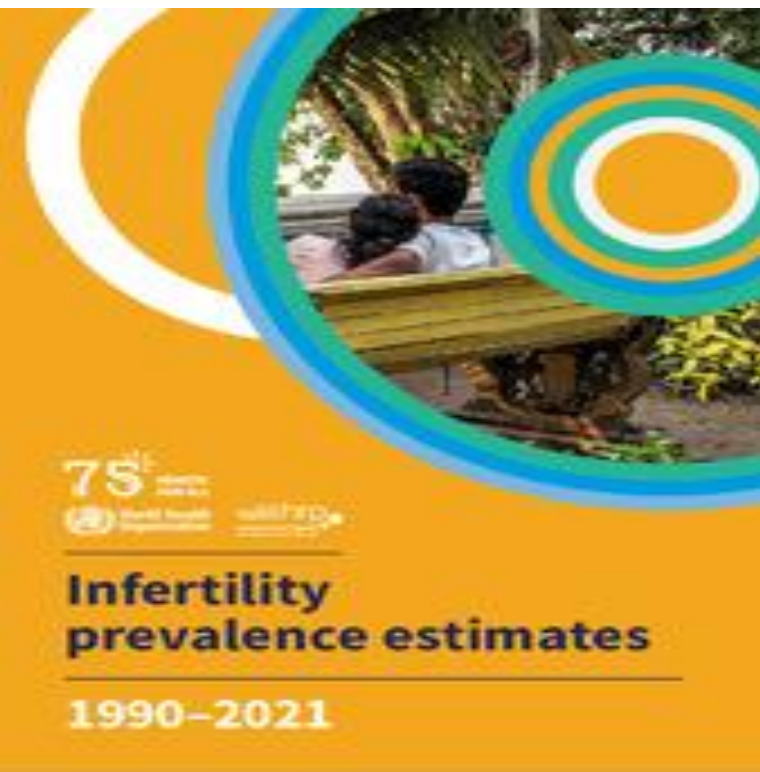
Conclusion
Adverse environmental factors have a significant impact on semen quality, leading to decreased sperm concentration, total sperm count, motility, viability, and increased abnormal sperm morphology, sperm DNA fragmentation, ultimately causing male infertility. However, all these factors are modifiable and reversible, and hence, by mere changing of lifestyle, many of these risk factors can be avoided.



Gamete Quality in a Multistressor Environment

Review, 2020 May;138:105627.
doi: 10.1016/j.envint.2020.105627





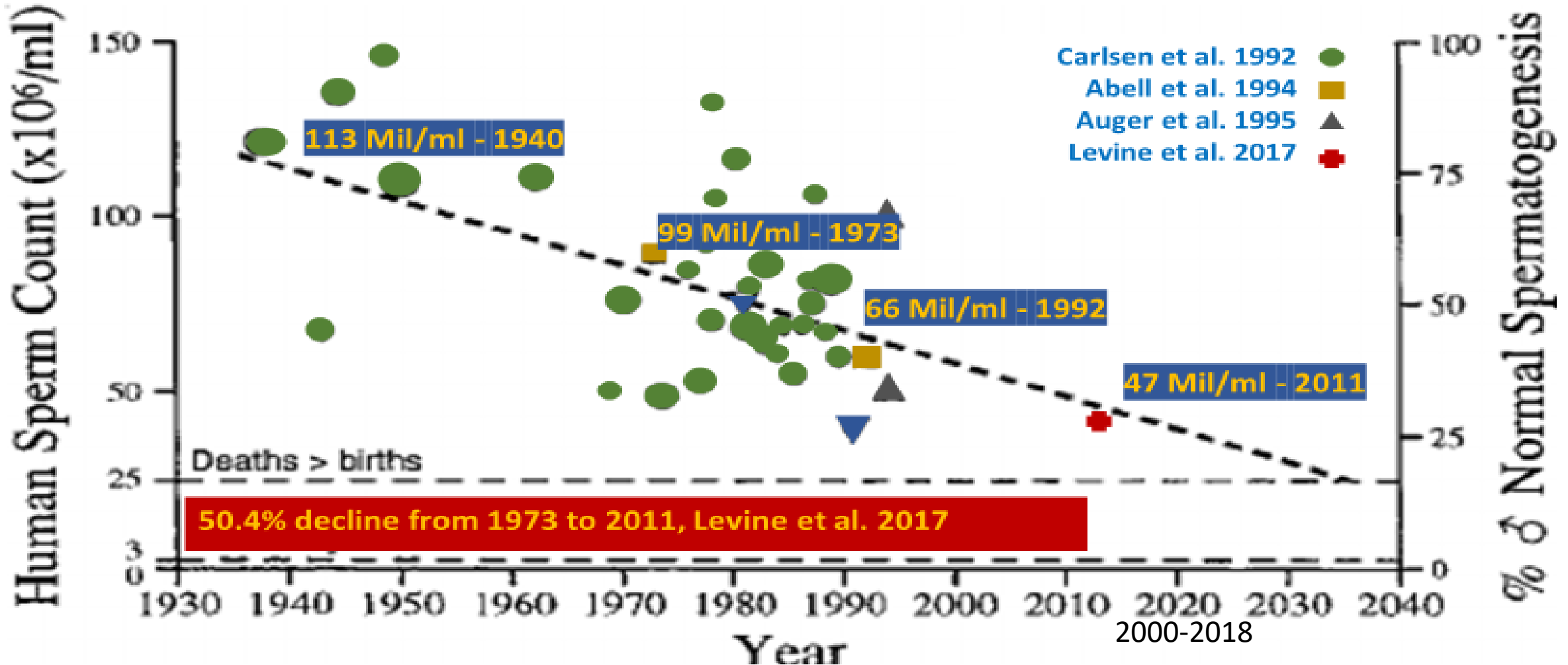
- 1) Il fenomeno è globale con una prevalenza del **17.5 %**
- 2) Variazione limitata di prevalenza fra regioni, stimata al **17,8%** nei paesi ad alto reddito e al **16,5%** nei paesi a basso e medio reddito.
- 3) monito ai governi per attivare politiche e finanziamenti pubblici adeguati per campagne di prevenzione, per percorsi diagnostici adeguati e cure, comprese il trattamento con tecnologie di riproduzione assistita spesso inaccessibili per molti a causa dei costi molto elevati

MA IL FENOMENO E' SOTTOSTIMATO...PERCHE'

- *Studi prevalentemente basati sull'infertilità femminile, pochi sulla coppia ed ancor meno sul fronte maschile, che oggi sembra prevalente*
- *Mancanza di dati da diversi paesi molto popolosi come India, Bangladesh, diversi africani e sudamericani*
- *Sono dati prepandemia*
- *Esistono differenze fra paesi e anche all'interno della stessa regione per fattori anche di nocività ambientale (prevalenza molto più alta, anche 1 coppia su 4)*

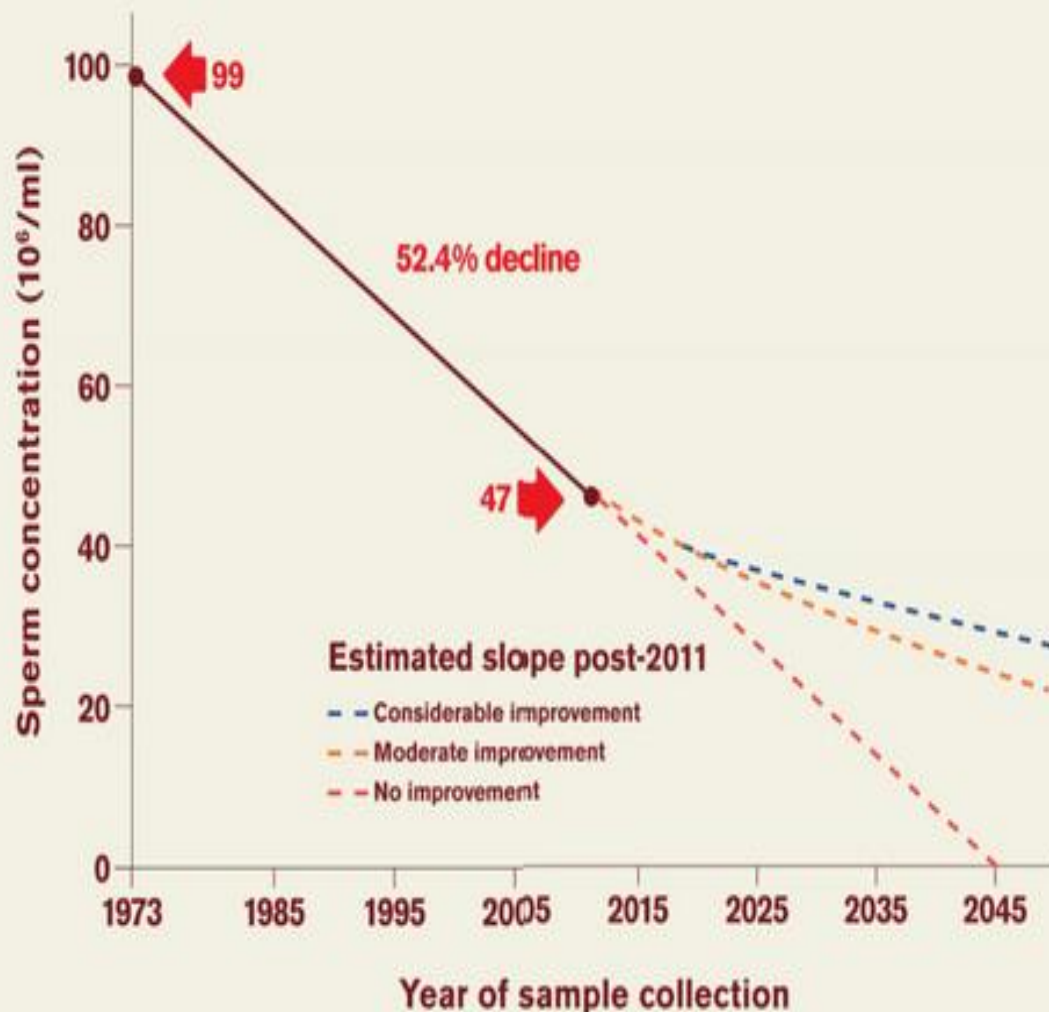
This decline leads us to consider human semen as the most faithful mirror of lifestyle and environmental changes in the last 70 years in western countries

**DATA ON HUMAN SPERM REDUCTION FROM 1940 TO 2011
(Western Countries)**



Sperm Decline in Western Countries

In diminuzione la concentrazione di spermatozoi



1973
99
milioni per ml

2011
47,1
milioni per ml

in 38 anni
concentrazione
dello sperma
-52,4%

Evidence for decreasing sperm count in African population from 1965 to 2015
 Pallav Sengupta^{1,2}, Uchenna Nwagha², Sulagna Dutta¹, Elzbieta Krajewska-Kulak³, Emmanuel Izuka⁴

human reproduction update

Temporal trends in sperm count: a systematic review and meta-regression analysis of samples collected globally in the 20th and 21st centuries
 Hagai Levine^{1,4}, Niels Jørgensen^{2,3}, Anderson Martino-Andrade^{5,6}, Jaime Mendiola^{7,8}, Dan Weksler-Derri^{9,10}, Maya Jolles¹, Rachel Pinotti¹¹, and Shanna H. Swan¹²

Nel mondo



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Decline in seminal quality in Indian men over the last 37 years
 Priyanka Mohra¹, Mahendra Pal Singh Negi², Mukesh Srivastava³, Kiran Singh⁴ and Singh Rajender^{1*}

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 Sanyta Siqueira, Anne Caroline Repelle, Josiane A. A. Nascimento, Francisco A. T. Farias, Luis Guillermo Bahamonides, José Roberto Gabiatti, Lúcia Costa-Paiva & Luís Francisco Baccano

Brasile

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OPEN **Trends in semen parameters of infertile men in South Africa and Nigeria**
 Edilang Mwanza Akany^{1,2,3}, Chinyere Sylvia Ogunwale¹, Swanson Enyima-Alexis⁴, Lancelo Wilby Mwangi⁵, Tamaragwey Emmanuel Amuzu⁶, Ibrahim Mada⁷, Rose Ogeyi Ogbuchi⁸, Oluwatoyin Omolayo Ajayi⁹, Mojibola Ibiodupe Adaramola¹⁰, Olatun Boluwatife Shote¹¹, Lateef Adedokun Akinola¹², Oladapo Adeniyi Akhinu¹³ & Raaf Ismail^{14,15,16}

Nigeria e Sud Africa

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Iranian temporal changes in semen quality during the past 22 years: A report from an infertility center
 Serajeddin Vahidi¹ M.D., Mohammad Reza Moeini² M.D., Fatemeh Yazdinejad³ M.Sc., Saeed Ghosemi-Esmailabad⁴ M.Sc., Nima Nariman^{1,3} M.D.

Nel mondo

Iran

Europa

Decline in sperm count in European men during the past 50 years
 P Sengupta^{1,2}, E Borges Jr³, S Dutta⁴ and E Krajewska-Kulak²

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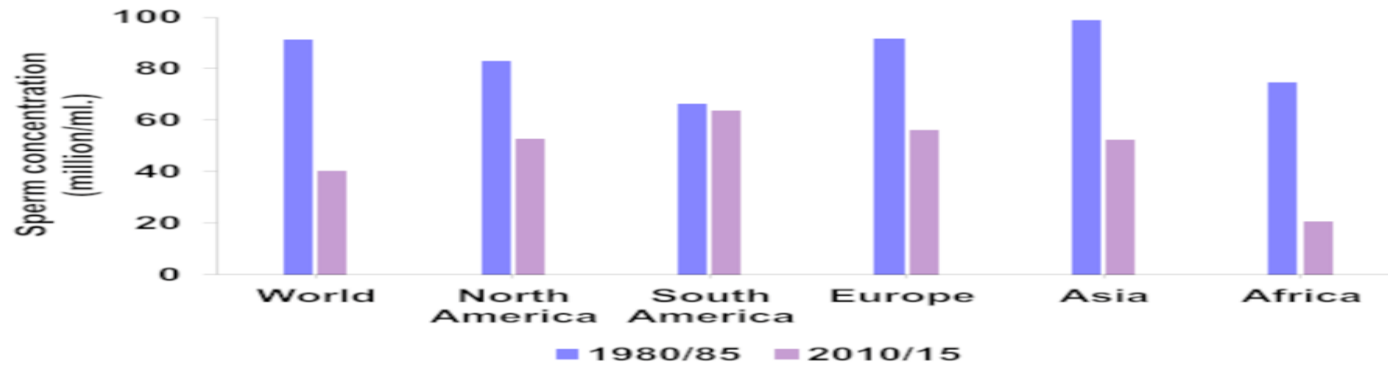
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 Pallav Sengupta, MSc, PhD¹, Sulagna Dutta, MSc², and Elzbieta Krajewska-Kulak, MD, PhD³

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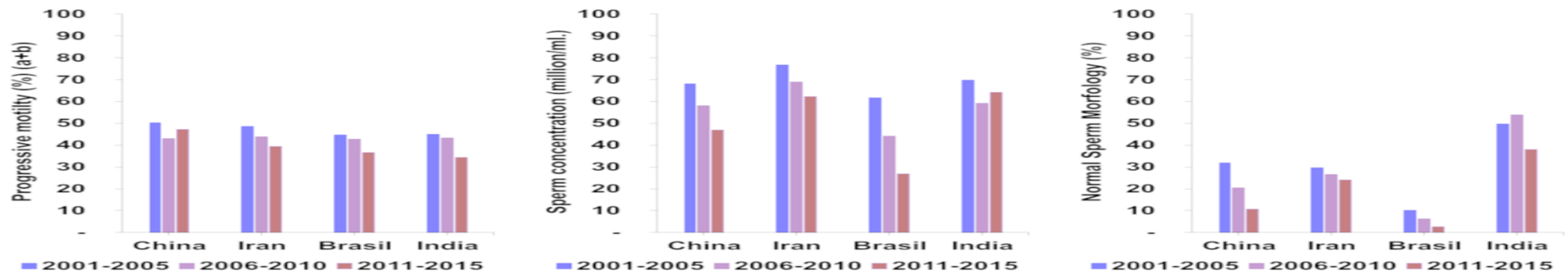
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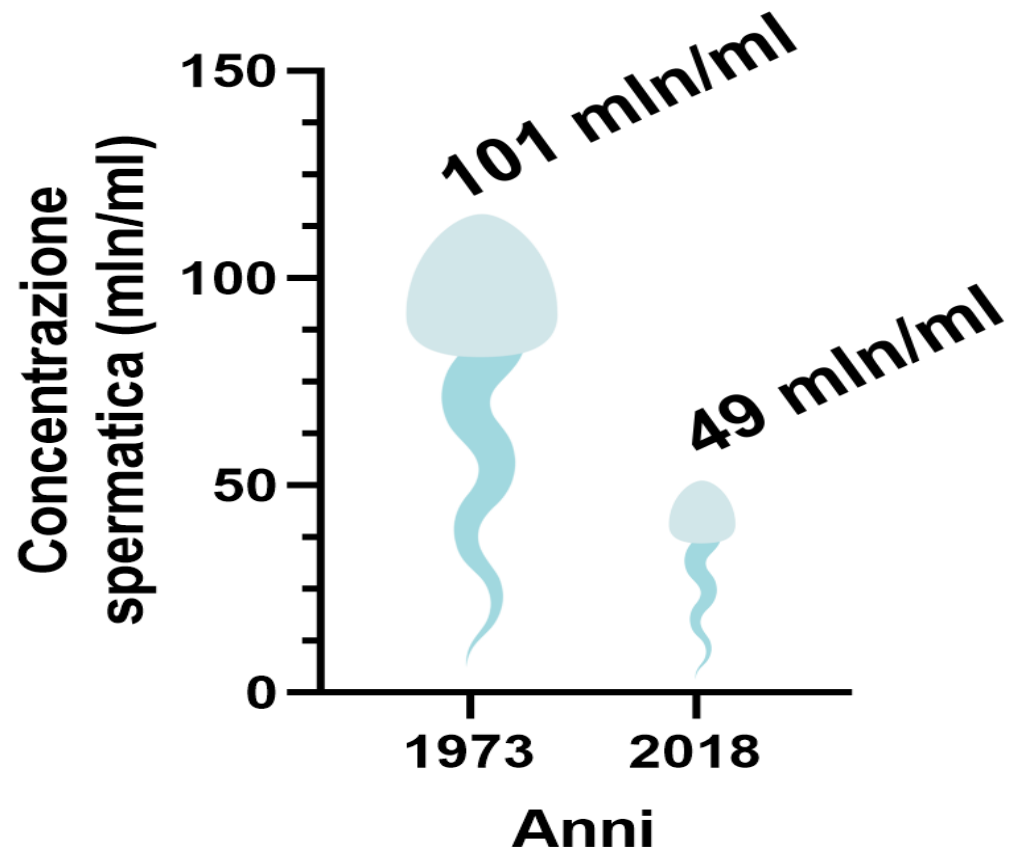
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Si registra oltre al declino spermatico, a livello globale, un aumento di incidenza di: Ipospadia, Criptorchidismo, Cancro testicolare

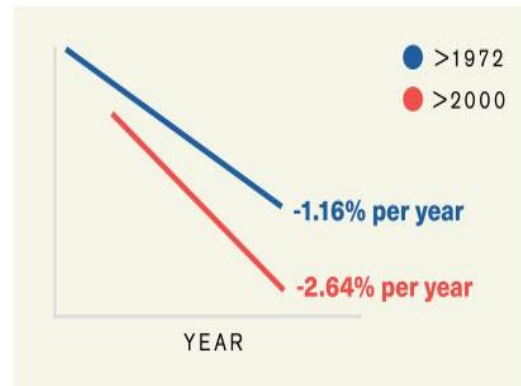
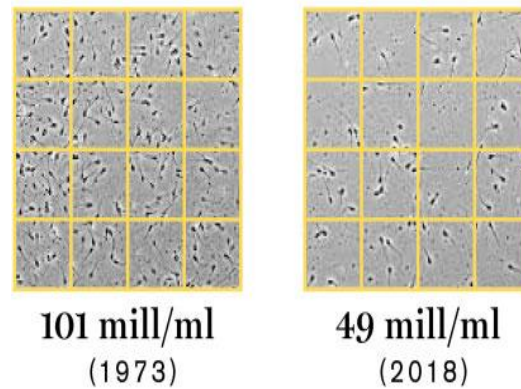


Dal 1973 al 2018 a livello globale

-51.6% di spermatozoi per ml

-62.3% di spermatozoi totali

Sperm count is declining at an accelerated pace **globally**



Il declino spermatico riguarda anche Africa, Asia, Sud America. Anzi, dal 2000 al 2018 vi è stata un'accelerazione del declino con valori di perdita di spermatozoi per anno doppia rispetto al periodo 1973-2000.

Parametri spermatici nelle aree a rischio in ITALIA



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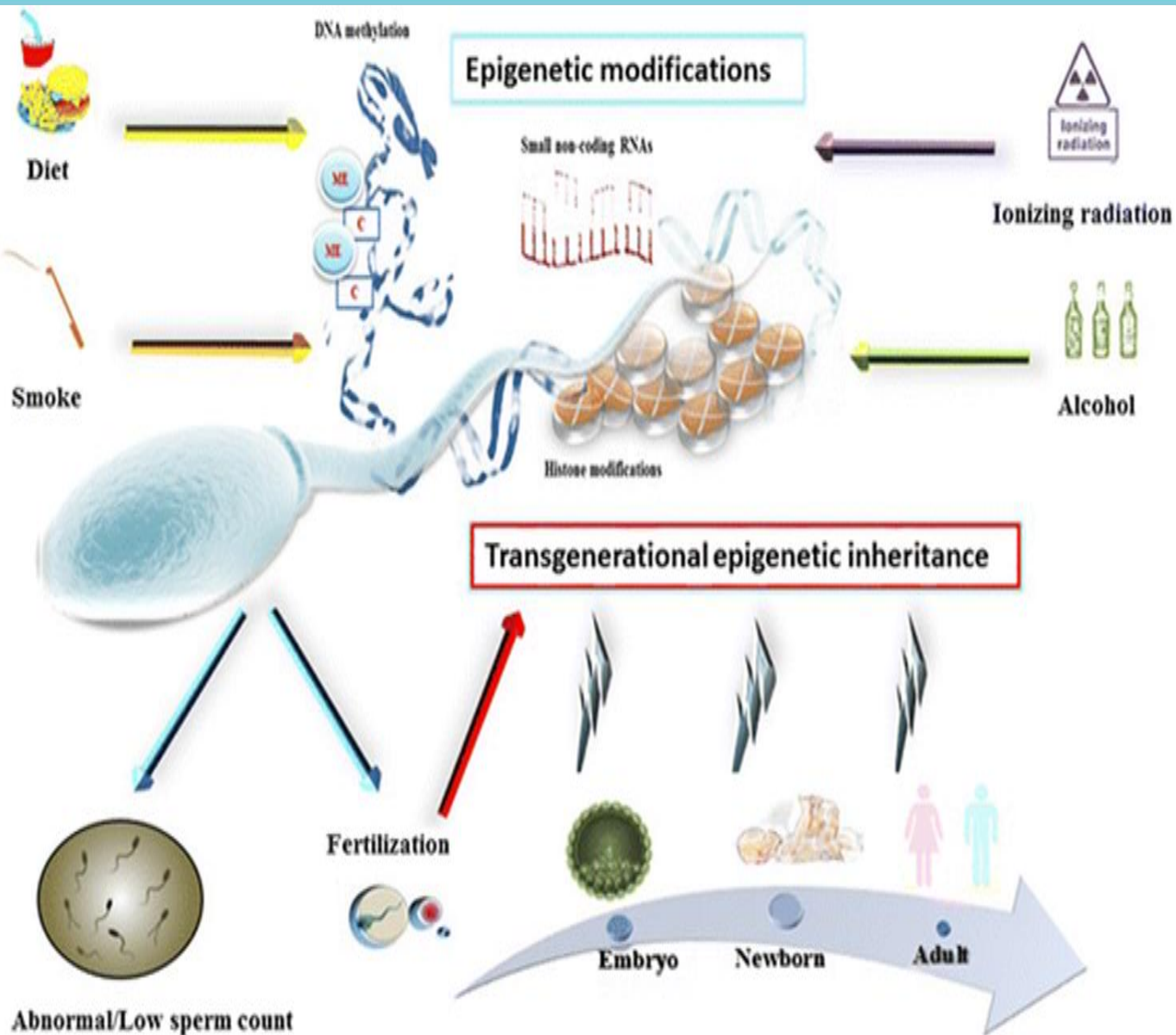
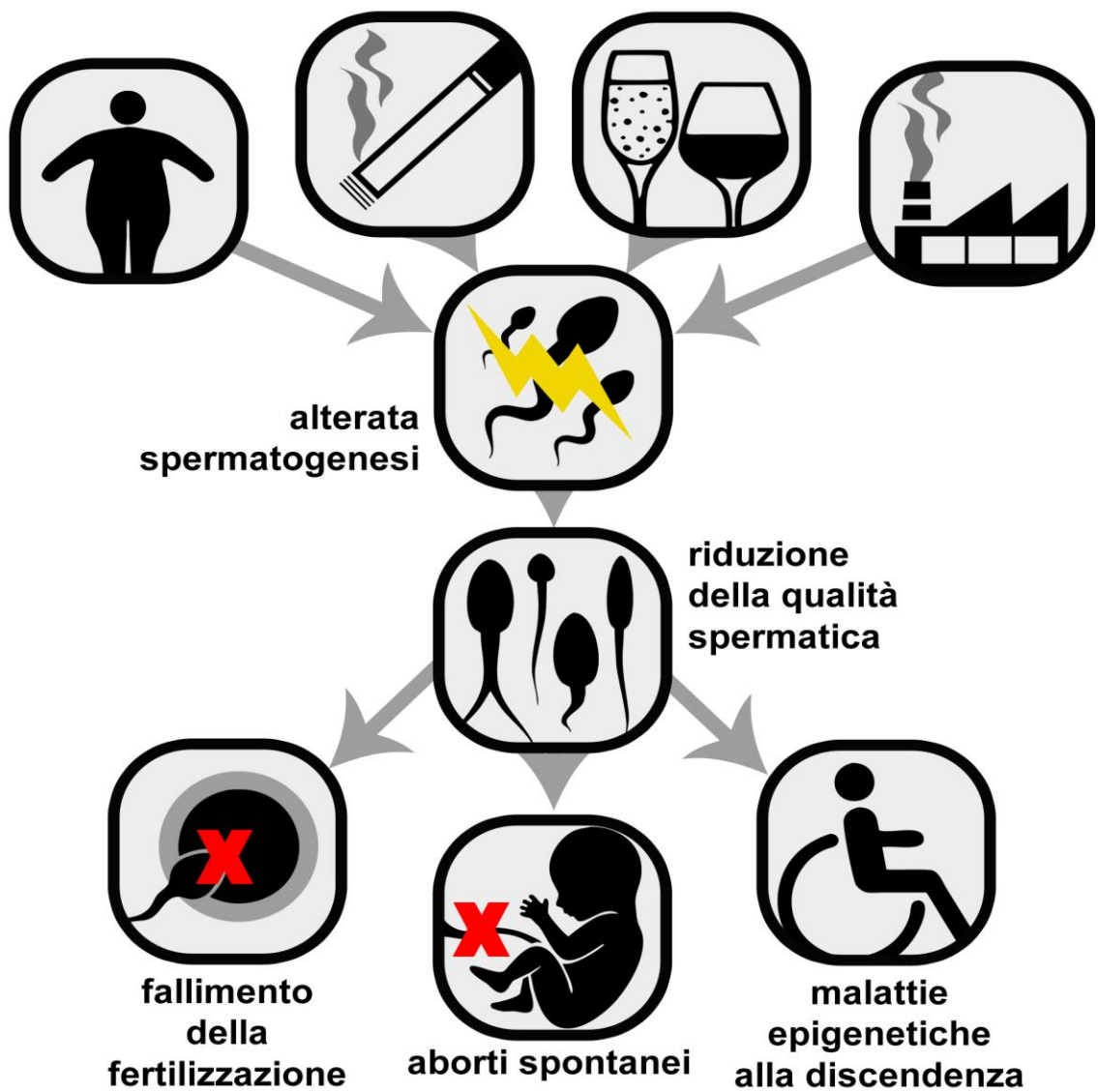


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Semen parameters	Brescia mean ± SD	Land of Fires mean ± SD	Sacco River mean ± SD	Whole cohort mean ± SD	p*
Volume (ml)	2.90 ± 1.39	2.53 ± 1.13	2.81 ± 1.50	2.73 ± 1.32	0.0976
Sperm concentration (10 ⁶ /ml)	67.30 ± 45.86	45.23 ± 32.89	50.32 ± 36.07	55.29 ± 40.52	0.0001
Total motility (%)	40.86 ± 19.37	45.43 ± 24.08	31.43 ± 23.17	41.09 ± 21.55	0.0003
Progressive motility (%)	27.88 ± 17.78	30.74 ± 19.32	20.40 ± 17.56	27.75 ± 18.69	0.0015
Cell with normal morphology (%)	6.58 ± 4.37	7.42 ± 7.05	5.63 ± 3.16	6.76 ± 5.51	0.1249
Round cells (10 ⁶ /ml) [§]	5.03 ± 3.28	6.81 ± 5.60	5.95 ± 4.68	6.12 ± 4.89	0.3166
TAC (mM) [#]	1.14 ± 0.22	0.97 ± 0.27	1.02 ± 0.30	1.06 ± 0.26	0.0001

La maggioranza dei ragazzi con età media di 19 anni, sani, non fumatori, non bevitori di alcolici, omogenei per indice di massa corporea, presentano nel complesso una qualità seminale più bassa rispetto a quanto ci si aspetterebbe a tale età, in particolare il parametro della motilità progressiva è mediamente più basso del **30%** (limite sec. manuale del WHO 2021)



Environmental and Genetic Traffic in the Journey from Sperm to Offspring

Pallav Sengupta et al. 2023. *Biomolecules*. 2023 Dec; 13(12): 1759.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND LIFESTYLE FACTORS

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

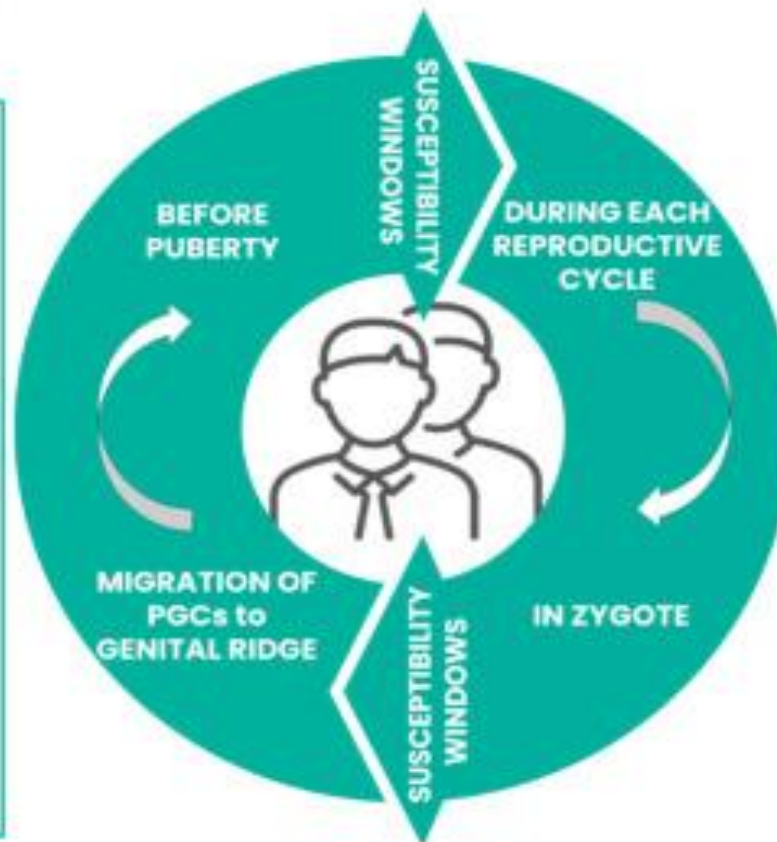
Pesticides/ fungicides
 Heavy metals (Lead, cadmium, Arsenic, Barium, Mercury)
 Phthalates, Plasticizers
 Ionizing radiations
 Chemical weapons

LIFESTYLE FACTORS

Sedentary lifestyle
 Obesity
 Smoking, Alcohol
 Psychological stress

DIETARY CAUSES

Low protein diet
 Malnutrition
 High fat intake
 Vitamin deficiencies (Vitamin D, folic acid)



EPIGENETIC MODIFICATIONS

DNA Methylation

Histone modification (methylation, acetylation, phosphorylation, ubiquitination, ribosylation, and sumoylation)

Non-coding RNAs

TRANSGENERATIONAL INHERITANCE

EFFECT ON OFFSPRING

Alterations in embryonic development

Congenital birth defects

Late onset diseases (obesity, diabetes, hypertension) in adults

Neurodevelopmental and psychiatric disorders

This evidence-based study comprehensively discussed how the genetic and epigenetic (DNA methylation) marks created in response to environmental stress events exert a post-fertilization function in affecting the phenotype of the offspring

Dalle origini delle malattie in ambiente «**uterino**» a quelle «**paterne**». Un passo Indietro...

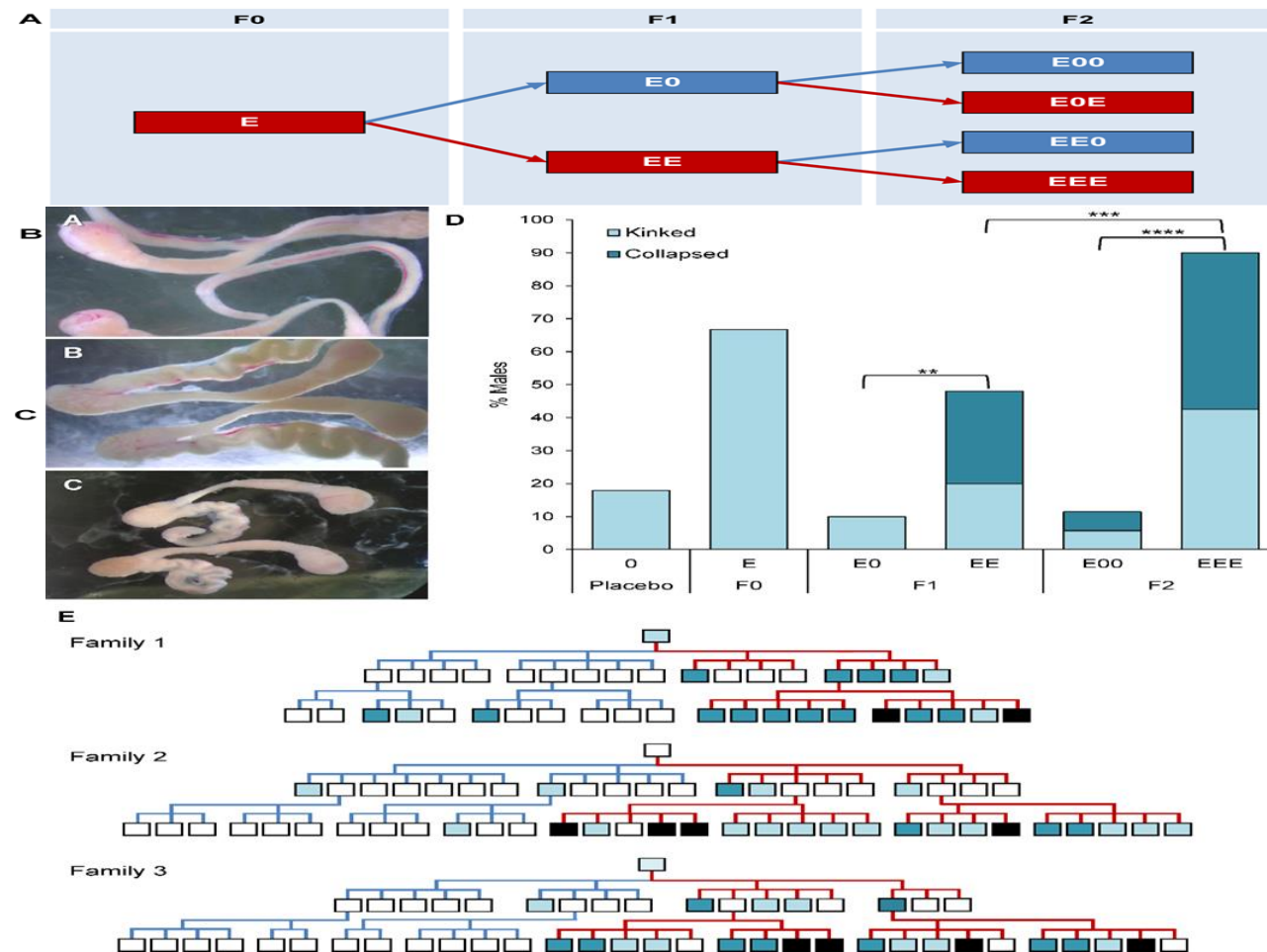
- However if there are more evidences that a healthy environment and lifestyle of the mother is crucial for offspring health and the utero window represent a field of study of **Developmental Origins of Health and Disease (DOHaD)**, begin to be interesting the **Paternal Origins of Health and Disease paradigm (POHaD)**. This term is introduced on the basis of transgenerational epigenetic **effect of contaminants through the paternal germ line** on animal studies and even if there are few epidemiological studies on humans, the perspective that opens the systematic study of reproductive biomarkers in environmental impact assessment and early and predictive health risk assessment is enormous

Germline and reproductive tract effects intensify in male mice with successive generations of estrogenic exposure. Tegan S. Horan et al. 2017

PERCHE' QUESTO CONTINUO CALO?

L'esperimento di esposizione nel periodo postnatale e quindi non in utero, indica che la linea germinale non solo risente dell'effetto, ma questo effetto è trasmissibile per la generazione dei gameti successivi, ed anzi, **l'esposizione continua anche a dose più basse esacerba gli effetti, con maggiore incidenza e gravità del tratto riproduttivo.**

In sintesi la **sensibilità maschile agli EDC aumenta di generazione in generazione e ci permette di dare una spiegazione al progressivo peggioramento** che si registra in termini di calo della qualità spermatica ed aumento di incidenza di tutte le patologie dell'apparato riproduttivo, che rappresenta la spia e quindi specchio fedele di quanto tali sostanze stanno progressivamente alterando la fisiologia umana e del perché dell'aumento esponenziale di tutte le patologie cronico-degenerative



The male sensitivity to environmental estrogens is increased by successive generations of exposure

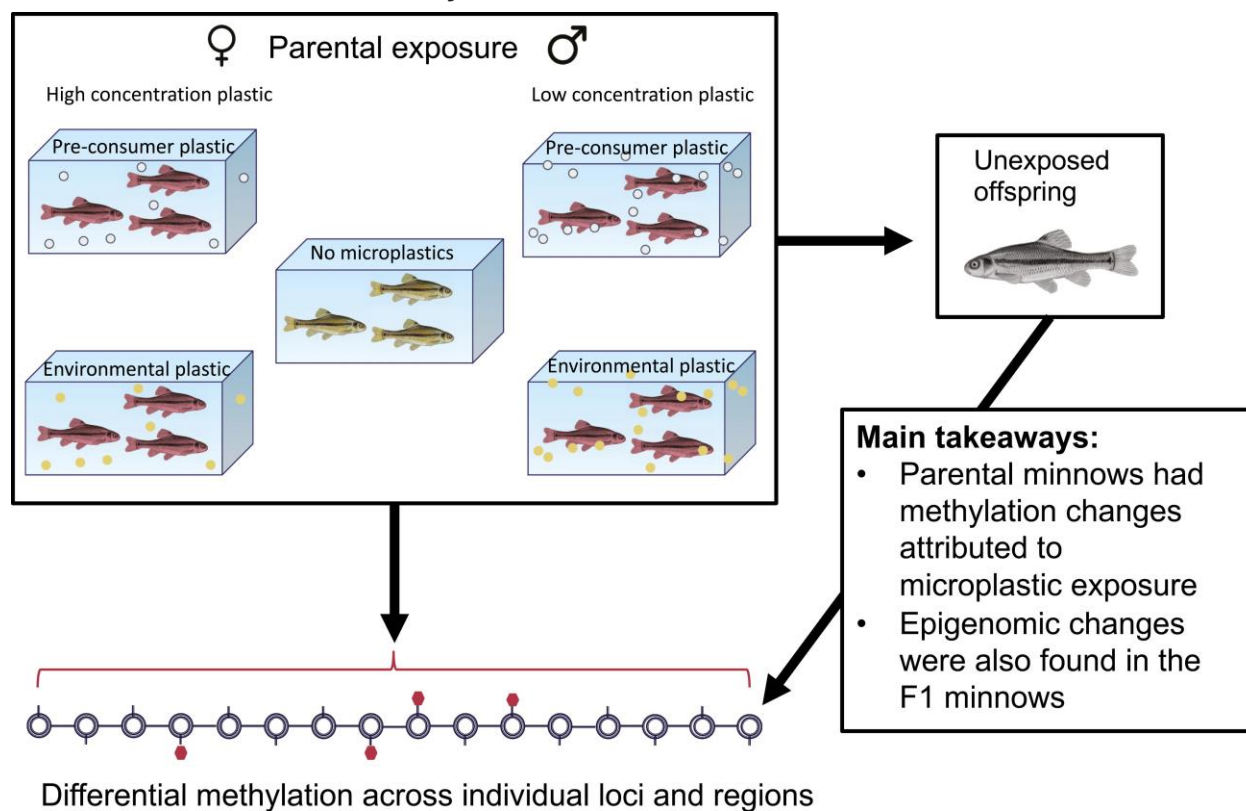
Microplastic exposure is associated with epigenomic effects in the model organism *Pimephales promelas* (fathead minnow).

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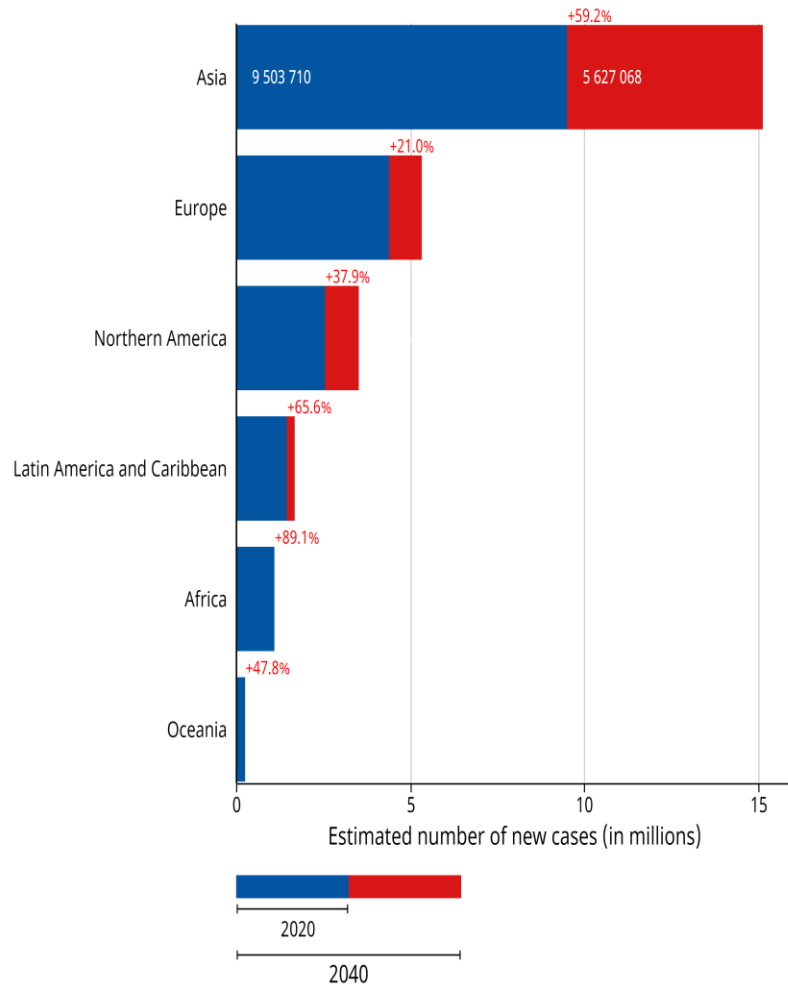
Abstract

Microplastics have evolutionary and ecological impacts across species, affecting organisms' development, reproduction, and behavior along with contributing to genotoxicity and stress. As plastic pollution is increasing and ubiquitous, gaining a better understanding of organismal responses to microplastics is necessary. Epigenetic processes such as DNA methylation are heritable forms of molecular regulation influenced by environmental conditions. Therefore, determining such epigenetic responses to microplastics will reveal potential chronic consequences of this environmental pollutant. We performed an experiment across two generations of fathead minnows (*Pimephales promelas*) to elucidate transgenerational epigenetic effects of microplastic exposure. We exposed the first generation of fish to four different treatments of microplastics: two concentrations of each of pre-consumer polyethylene (PE) and PE collected from Lake Ontario. We then raised the first filial generation with no microplastic exposure. We used enzymatic methylation sequencing on adult liver tissue and homogenized larvae to evaluate DNA methylation differences among treatments, sexes, and generations. Our findings show the origin of the plastic had a larger effect in female minnows whereas the effect of concentration was stronger in the males. We also observed transgenerational effects, highlighting a mechanism in which parents can pass on the effects of microplastic exposure to their offspring. Many of the genes found within differentially methylated regions in our analyses are known to interact with estrogenic chemicals associated with plastic and are related to metabolism. This study highlights the persistent and potentially serious impacts of microplastic pollution on gene regulation in freshwater systems

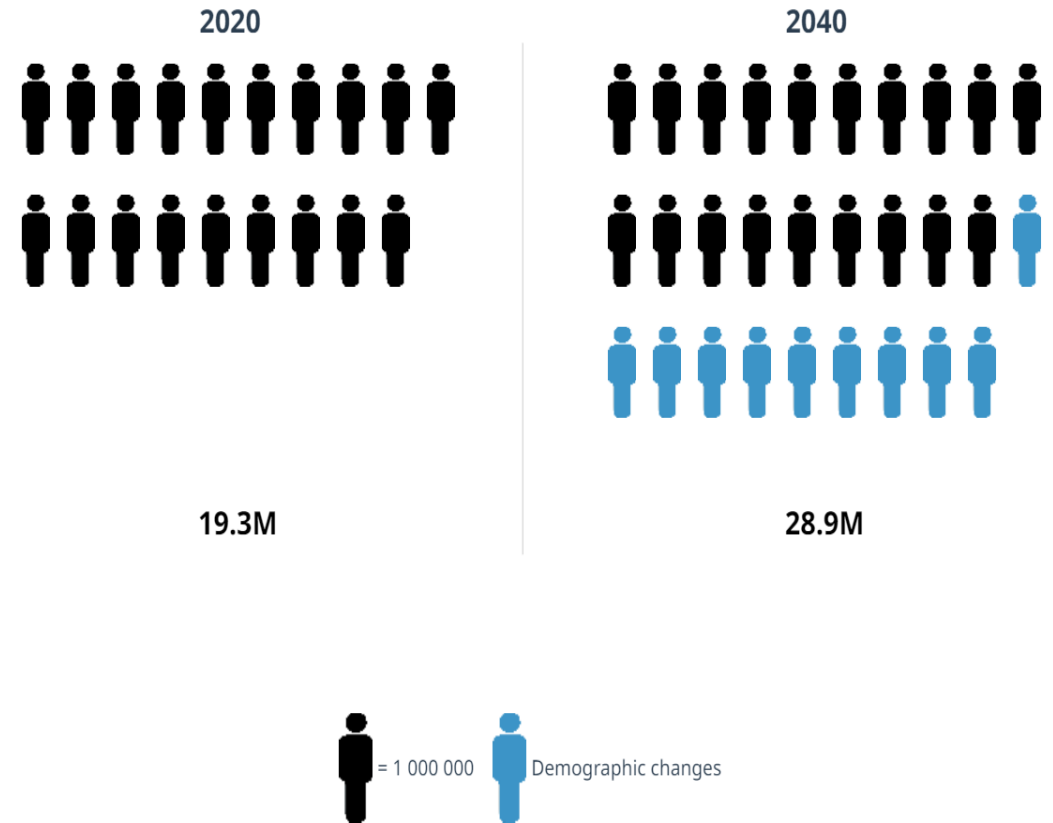
Our study presents evidence that exposing even a single generation of fish to microplastics can have chronic and multigenerational methylation effects, **even once the microplastic exposure is removed.**



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All cancers

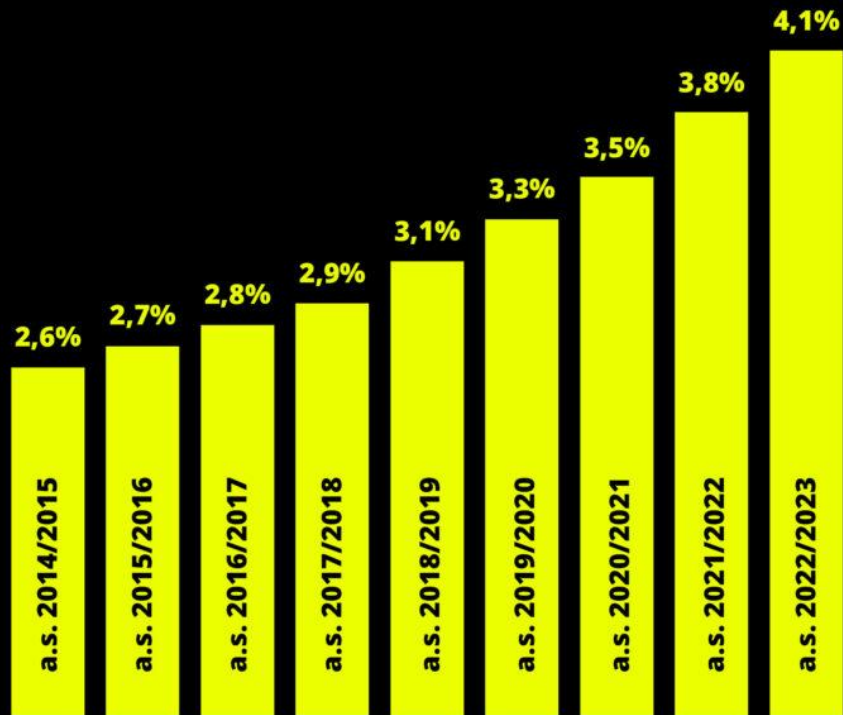


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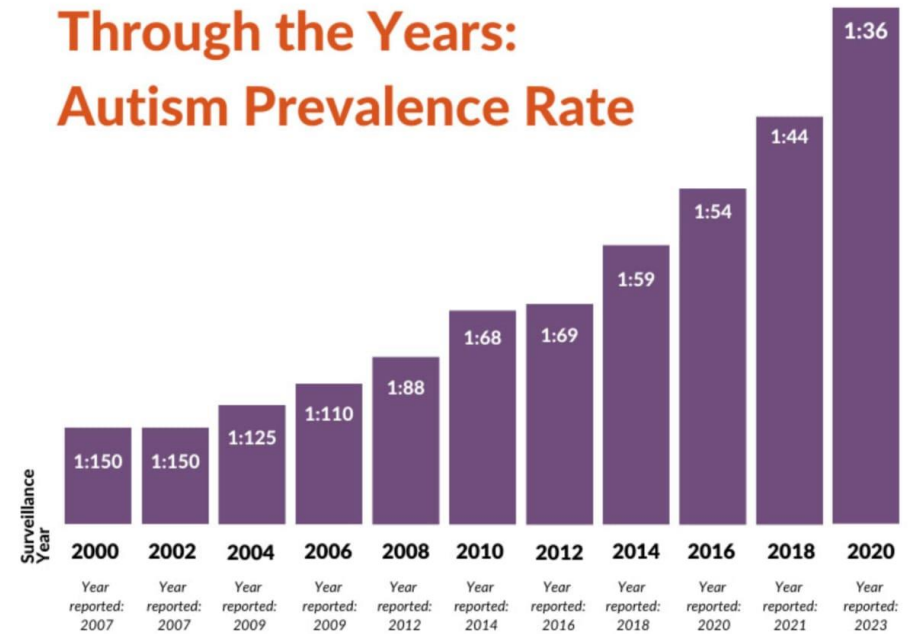
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Through the Years: Autism Prevalence Rate



Il 23 marzo, i Centri per il controllo e la prevenzione delle malattie (CDC) hanno pubblicato nuovi dati dell'Autism and Developmental Disabilities Monitoring Network (ADDM) che riportavano che circa 1 bambino su 36 di 8 anni negli Stati Uniti era affetto da disturbo dello spettro autistico. ASD nel 2020. Questo nuovo tasso è superiore rispetto alla prevalenza segnalata nel 2018 di 1 su 44.

Popolazione quasi stabile grazie alle immigrazioni dall'estero

- **Natalità in discesa**, mortalità in forte calo: sei neonati e 11 decessi per 1.000 abitanti.

- Più immigrati e meno emigrati dell'anno precedente: il saldo migratorio netto sale da +261mila nel 2022 a +274mila nel 2023

- **Calo demografico più sensibile nei Comuni delle Aree interne del Mezzogiorno**: variazione di circa il 5 per mille in meno sull'anno precedente; riduzione della popolazione in quattro comuni su cinque.

- Popolazione residente straniera in crescita: 5 milioni e 308mila individui al 1° gennaio 2024, +166mila sull'anno precedente.

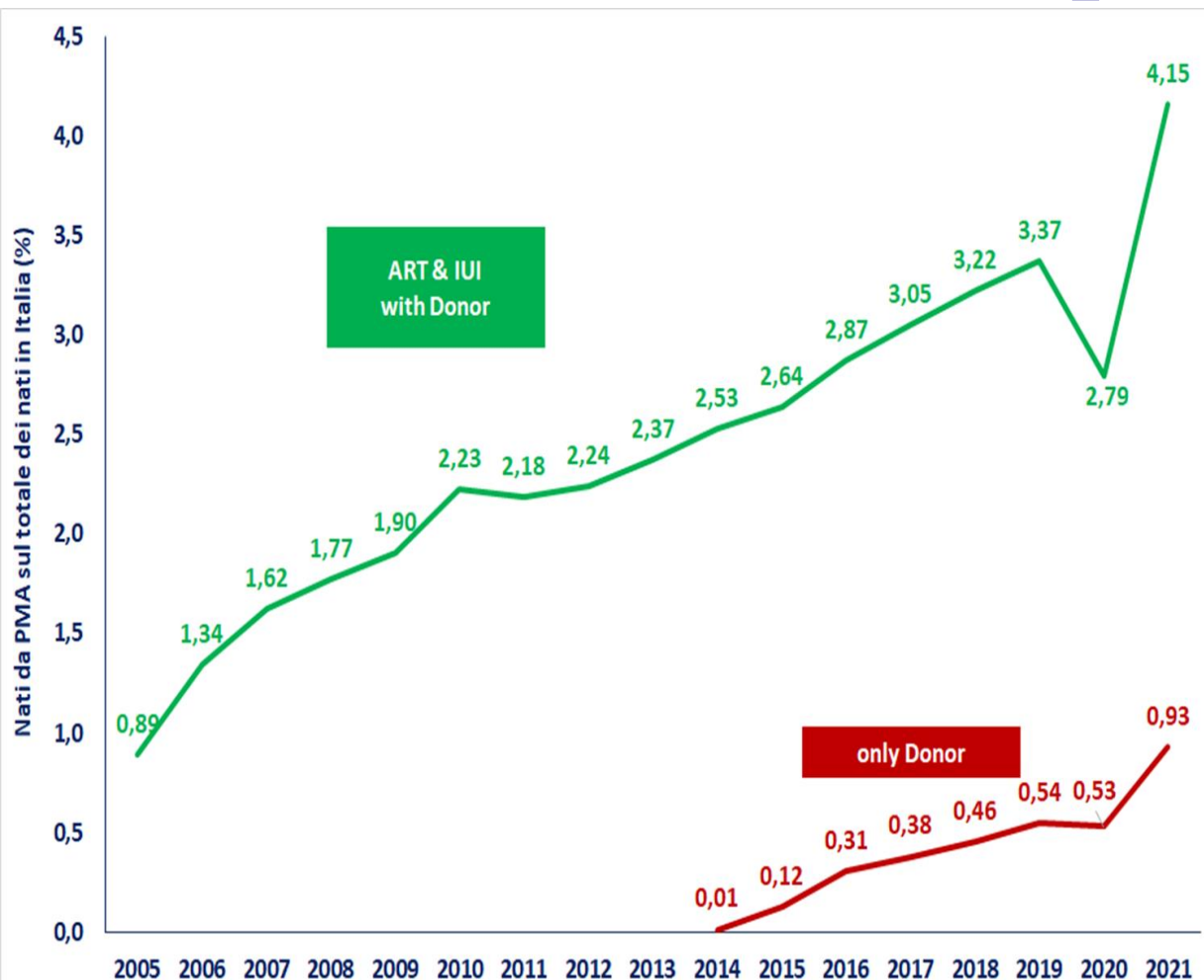


PERICOLOSA SINERGIA FRA INQUINANTI E SPOSTAMENTO DELL'ETA' DEL CONCEPIMENTO

INSULTI AMBIENTALI CRESCENTI INDUCONO UN'ACCELERAZIONE DEI PROCESSI DI INVECCHIAMENTO DEGLI STESSI GAMETI, SE A QUESTO SI AGGIUNGE L'ETA' AVANZATA NEL CONCEPIMENTO, COME E' DI FATTO, NON SOLO AUMENTA IL RISCHIO DI INFERTILITA', MA AUMENTA LA SUSCETTIBILITA' A TUTTE LE MALATTIE PER LA PROGENIE

IN QUESTA CONDIZIONE DI PRESSIONE AMBIENTALE CRESCENTE E' IMPORTANTE CERCARE DI CONCEPIRE NELL'ETA' BIOLOGICA PER RIDURRE I TASSI DI INFERTILITA' E IL CARICO DI PATOLOGIE CRONICO-DEGENERATIVE PER LE FUTURE GENERAZIONI

% DI BAMBINI NATI VIVI DA PROCEDURE PMA SUL TOTALE DEI BAMBINI NATI VIVI IN ITALIA. 2005-2021



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What is driving the global decline of human fertility? Need for a multidisciplinary approach to the underlying mechanisms

Robert John Aitken^{1,2*}

Tuttavia, anche se le **misure socioeconomiche** possono avere successo nel **breve termine**, ci sono ancora fattori come gli **inquinanti** che nel **lungo termine** determinano una **perdita di genotipi ad alta fertilità** dalla popolazione. Paradossalmente, l'adozione su larga scala delle tecnologie di procreazione assistita, potrebbe anche contribuire a tale **perdita di fecondità**, favorendo **genotipi di bassa fertilità all'interno della popolazione**. Poiché il declino del tasso di fertilità che accompagna la transizione demografica sembra essere ubiquitario, le implicazioni per la salute pubblica della nostra specie potrebbero essere devastanti.

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**IMPATTO
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I DATI DI BIOMONITORAGGIO UMANO:
QUALI RISCHI, QUALI RIMEDI



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**INFERTILITÀ, ALLEANZA
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PROMUOVERE PREVENZIONE
E DIAGNOSI PRECOCE**

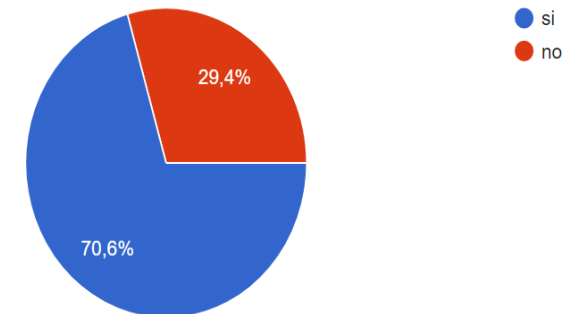
I medici di medicina generale e gli specialisti della riproduzione stringono un'alleanza strategica per contrastare i crescenti problemi di infertilità che riguardano fino al 20% delle coppie in Italia e che si riflettono inevitabilmente sul drastico calo delle nascite registrato nel nostro Paese.



- 1) Visita andrologica a tutti i maggiorenni attraverso i Medici di Medicina Generale: un'opportunità per la salute pubblica
- 2) Spermioγραμμα gratuito per tutti al 18esimo anno
- 3) Registro della Fertilità

16) Ritieni possibile il coinvolgimento diretto dell'intera categoria dei Medici di Medicina Generale nel percorso della Prevenzione Andrologica anche presso gli Istituti Scolastici, considerando la facilità della stessa visita con l'immediata valutazione ispettiva e palpatoria dei genitali "simil visita di leva"?

326 risposte



Educare per Prevenire: un Patto fra Scuola e Sanita'

Docenti, Studenti e Medici insieme nella Scuola per una grande opera educativa alla Salute che contempli la conoscenza sui temi della tutela ambientale, la conoscenza dei rischi espositivi da insulti nocivi chimici e fisici, oltre a quelli per errati stili di vita, alimentari, comportamentali

OBIETTIVO

Formare giovani consapevoli: dalla tutela ambientale alla prevenzione dei rischi per la salute

Rendere le nuove generazioni consapevoli non solo della propria salute complessiva, ma anche della propria funzione sociale per la crescita e l'avanzamento complessivo nel territorio di pratiche e azioni volte alla sostenibilità che, nell'insieme, permettono di ridurre il carico ambientale e di conseguenza il carico delle patologie da quelle riproduttive a quelle cronico-degenerative

LINEE DI RICERCA DEL PROGETTO «MADRE» ECOFOODFERTILITY

- **EXPOMAP (Studio di esposomica integrato multimatrici) (completato)**
- **FAST (Fertilità, Ambiente, Alimentazione, Stili di Vita) (completato)**
- **ECO-NUTRAPREVENTION (alimento funzionale detox) (completato)**
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- **ECOFOODFERTILITY FOR VETERINARY (in corso)**
- **ECOFOODFERTILITY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE (in corso)**
- **ECOFOODFERTILITY FOR NUTRACEUTICAL DETOX (in avvio)**
- **STUDIO MULTILIVELLO INTEGRATO (Microplastiche, derivati plastiche, terre rare) (in avvio)**
- **LONGEVITY AND FERTILITY ALGORITHM (LAFA) (in avvio)**
- **MEDBIODETOX (in programma)**
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- **ECOFOODFERTILITY FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS (in programma)**
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Take home message

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□ **IL SEME UMANO COME SENSORE DELLA QUALITÀ AMBIENTALE E DELLA SALUTE GENERALE**

- LA FERTILITA' IN GENERALE QUALE INDICATORE FONDAMENTALE DI SALUTE

□ Salvaguardare l'integrità dei gameti significa fare **Prevenzione Primaria e PREprimaria** per tutte le malattie cronico-degenerative per le presenti e future generazioni

- PRESIDIO DI PREVENZIONE PRIMARIA E PRE-PRIMARIA PER TUTTE LE MALATTIE CRONICO-DEGENERATIVE DELL'ATTUALE E FUTURA GENERAZIONE

- NUOVO RUOLO DELLA FERTILITA' VISTA IN UNA PROSPETTIVA PIÙ AMPIA DI PROTEZIONE DELLA SALUTE PUBBLICA

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**«La salute è troppo importante per lasciare che
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*Thanks for your
kind attention*

