



Legacy and Emerging Contaminants in Marine Biota

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

The ocean has long been considered a sink in which pollutants derived from human activities, such as legacy and emerging contaminants, can be deposited. Despite global restrictions, regulatory action, and bans, a substantial amount of information shows that legacy contaminants are still present in the marine environment and its biota due to their limited degradation and atmospheric transportation. In this context, scientific knowledge concerning the ecotoxicology of the substances being discussed is crucial for assessing the environmental statuses of marine waters. However, while certain species, or taxonic groups, have been largely investigated, others suffer from a lack of information regarding both the presence and levels of multiple contaminants that can pose risks to their survival.

In this context, this Special Issue of *Environments* aims at updating the current knowledge regarding the presence and levels of both legacy and emerging pollutants in marine biota. In the wide range of this topic, we encourage papers focusing on poorly investigated species, with special attention focusing on bioindicators and endangered and keystone species.





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