

Chemical Risk Assessment

تقييم المخاطر الكيماوية

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National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory

Research on mechanisms and susceptibility to identify hazards and dose-response

National Exposure Research Laboratory

Research to measure, characterize and assess exposures and to support compliance with environmental regulations and policies

National Risk Management Research Laboratory

Research and technology transfer to prevent, mitigate and control pollution

National Center for Computational Toxicology

Application of computational tools and models to improve understanding of toxicity and risks posed by environmental agents.

National Center for Environmental Assessment

Development of human health assessments, research on risk assessment methods, and guidance development

National Homeland Security Research Center

Research to help decision-makers prepare and respond to chemical and biological attacks

National Center for Environmental Research

Extramural program - grants, fellowships, and national centers of excellence - to complement ORD's in-house research program

National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA)

المركز القومي لتقييم المخاطر



مهمة المركز هو توفير التوجيه (التقييم والمبادئ التوجيهية) حول كيفية ملوثات قد تؤثر على صحة الإنسان والبيئة.

- The mission of NCEA is to provide guidance (assessments and guidelines) about how pollutants may impact human health and the environment.
- NCEA occupies a critical position between scientists in ORD and management in EPA's program and regional offices supporting regulatory, enforcement, and remedial-action decisions.
- NCEA administers three high-profile programs: the Global Change Research Program, the Report on the Environment (ROE Database), Integrated Science Assessment (ISA) and the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) Program & Database.
- NCEA's diverse staff includes biologists, chemists, ecologists, engineers, epidemiologists, geneticists, statisticians, and toxicologists.



يحتل المركز موقعا حيويا بين الباحثون والادرات التي تشرع

*Dose-response
Assessment*

القوانين

Statutory and Legal
Considerations

Public Health
Considerations

Social
Factors

occupies a critical position in

**EPA's Office of Research and
Development between:**

*Hazard
Identification*

*Risk
Characterization*

*Risk
Management
Decisions*

- the researchers in other ORD components who are generating new findings and data

*Exposure
Assessment*

AND

*Risk
Management*

*Economic
Factors*

Political
Considerations

- the regulators in the EPA program offices and regions who must make regulatory, enforcement, and remedial action decisions

1970s

- Beginnings of the field of risk assessment
- Emphasis on oral route per U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) precedent
- General acceptance of Safety Factors (10x10)
- Beginnings of cancer guidelines

1980s

- Adopt NAS Risk Assessment/Risk Management paradigm (1983)
- EPA publishes five risk assessment guidelines
- First paper on Reference Dose
- Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS)

1990s

- Inhalation RfC methodology
- Oral RfD methodology
- Applications of PBPK models
- BBDR models developed
- BMD models developed and applied

2000s

- Re-examination of non-cancer methods
- Susceptible populations
- Cumulative assessment approaches
- Probabilistic approaches
- Uncertainty analysis

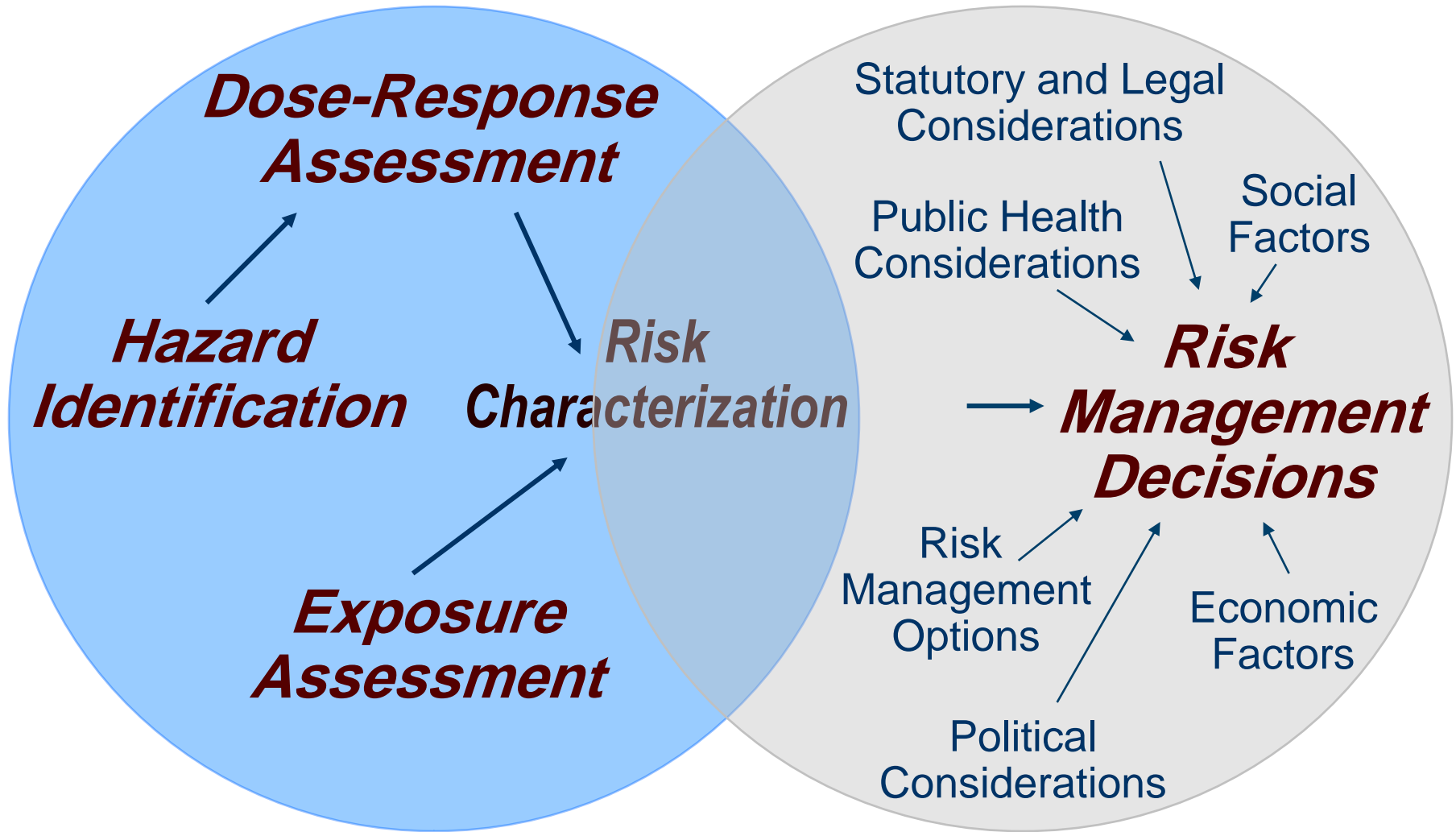
Risk Analysis

تحليل المخاطر

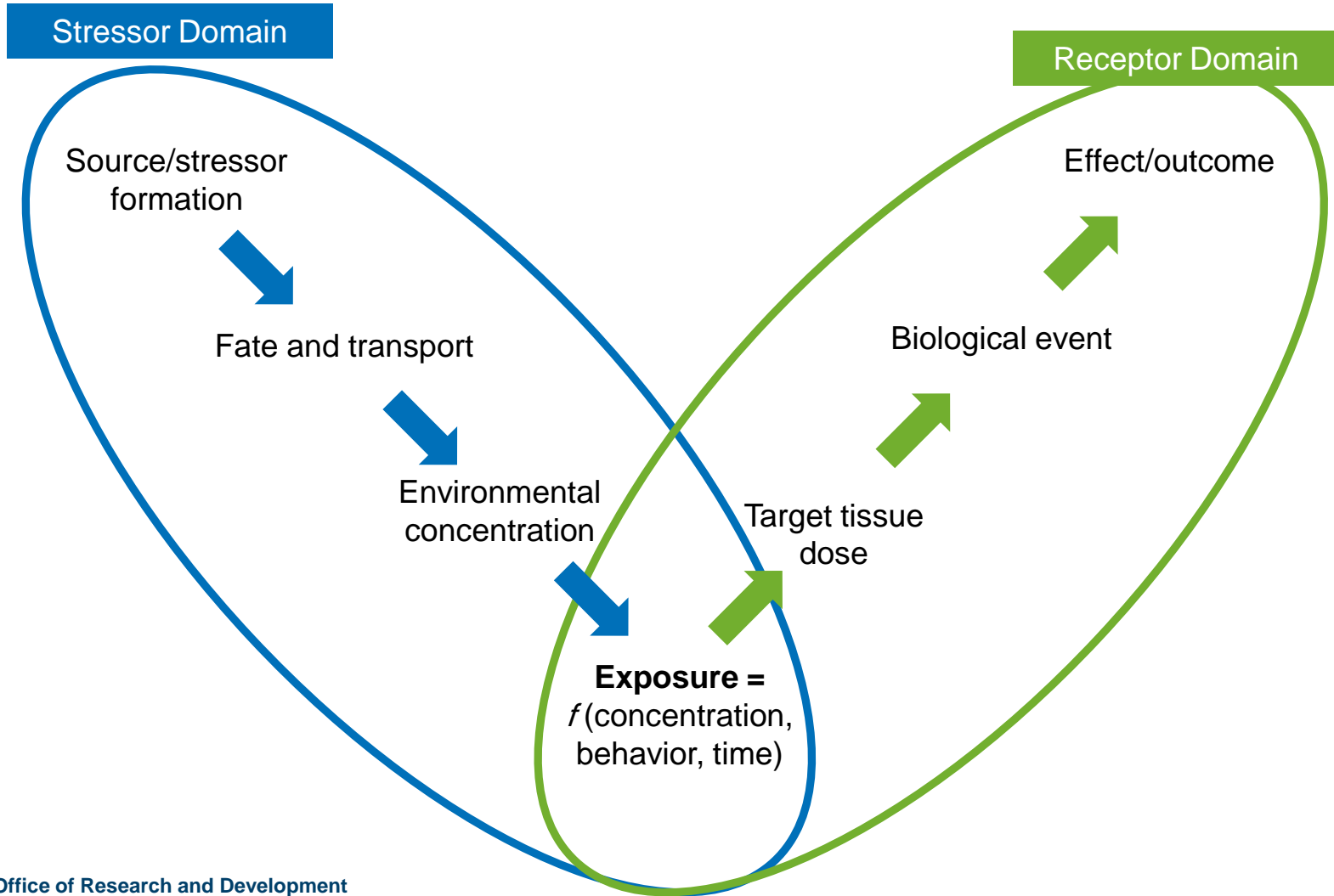


العلاقة بين تقييم وادارة المخاطر

Environmental Protection Agency



Source-to-Effect Continuum - التواصل من المصدر الي الاثر



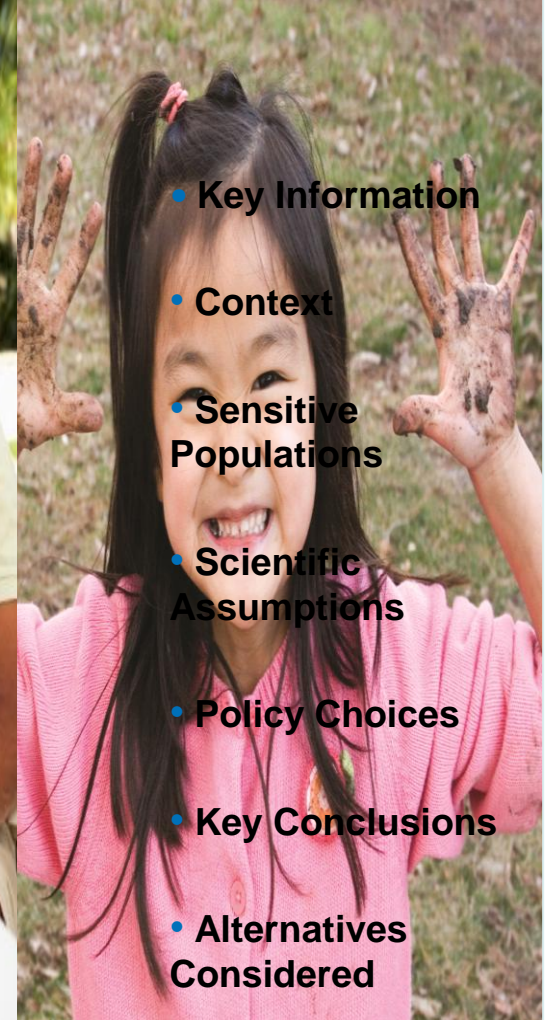
تقييم المخاطر ليست مجرد تقييم الاستجابة للجرعة وحده

تقييم المخاطر هو دمج المعلومات النوعية والكمية على:

- toxicity
- severity of effects
- geographic extent
- exposure
- magnitude of response
- and many other factors



- Variability
- Uncertainty
- Bias and Perspective
- Strengths and Weaknesses
- Confidence Statements
- Research Needs



- Key Information
- Context
- Sensitive Populations
- Scientific Assumptions
- Policy Choices
- Key Conclusions
- Alternatives Considered

References Values: Standards and Guidelines

القيم المرجعية: المعايير والمبادئ التوجيهية
الاستجابة للطوارئ - مهني - العمومية - بيئي

- Emergency response
- Occupational
- General Public
- Ecological



Reference Values: Levels of Enforceability

القيم المرجعية: مستويات وجوب النفاذ

Exposure Standards معايير التعرض

Exposure Guideline المبادئ التوجيهية

Relatively few

Numerous

Mandated by statute and legally enforceable

Not legally enforceable

Rigid development process

Flexible development process

Developed by government agencies specified in statutes

Developed by many types of entity

Intended to protect health and the environment, but balances other considerations

Intended to protect human health and the environment

Medium	Standard	Regulated Contaminants	Regulatory Authority
Air	National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS)	6 Criteria Pollutants in ambient air	EPA, as mandated by the Clean Air Act
	Permissible Exposure Limits (PELs)	~500 contaminants in workplace air	OSHA, as mandated by the Occupational Safety and Health Act
Water	Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs)	90 chemical, microbiological, radiological, and physical contaminants in drinking water	EPA, as mandated by the Safe Drinking Water Act
Food	Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs)	Hundreds of pesticide chemicals in food and feed commodities	EPA, as mandated by the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetics Act, as amended by the Food Quality Protection Act

Entities that Develop Reference Values

القيم المرجعية

Federal Agencies



ATSDR



OSHA



FDA



National Institute for
Occupational Safety and Health
NIOSH

State Agencies



Other Entities



مواصفات التعرض



Exposure Medium and Route

- Inhalation – air
- Oral – water, soil, food
- Dermal – soil, water, food, air



Exposure Duration

- Acute
- Short-term
- Longer-term
- Chronic (continuous)



Potentially Exposed Population

- Workers
- Emergency responders or victims
- Pregnant women
- Children or the elderly

سياقات التعرض-Exposure Contexts

- الاستجابة للطوارئ

- مهني

- المحيط أو العمومية

- Emergency Response

- Occupational





Applicability

تطبيق قيم الاستجابة للطوارئ

- (A) To communicate to the general public when chemical concentrations following a disaster might be harmful to human health
- (B) To inform workers on a routine basis if chemical concentrations in the workplace are of concern to health
- (C) To allow emergency planners to develop systems and policies to prevent and prepare for catastrophic chemical releases
- (D) To support laws and regulations mandating chemical concentration levels that result in "acceptable" risk

للتواصل مع الجمهور عند تركيزات الكيمائية التالية كارثة قد تكون ضارة على صحة الإنسان

(ب) إعلام العمال على أساس روتيني إذا التركيزات الكيمائية في مكان العمل هي التي تهم الصحة

(ج) للسماح مخططي الطوارئ لتطوير أنظمة وسياسات لمنع والاستعداد لإطلاق الكيمائية الكارثية






(د) دعم القوانين واللوائح تجيز مستويات تركيز المواد الكيمائية التي تؤدي إلى خطر "مقبول"

Emergency Response Values: Characteristics خصائص قيم الاستجابة للطوارئ

- **Exposure Type:** Workplace or general public
- **Duration:** Generally acute
- **Medium:** Generally concentrations in air (but not always)
- **Enforceability:** Not legally enforceable
- **Applicability:** Inform emergency response and public health planning
- **Adaptability:** Often specify levels of harm



Emergency Response Values: Examples امثلة لقيم الاستجابة للطوارئ

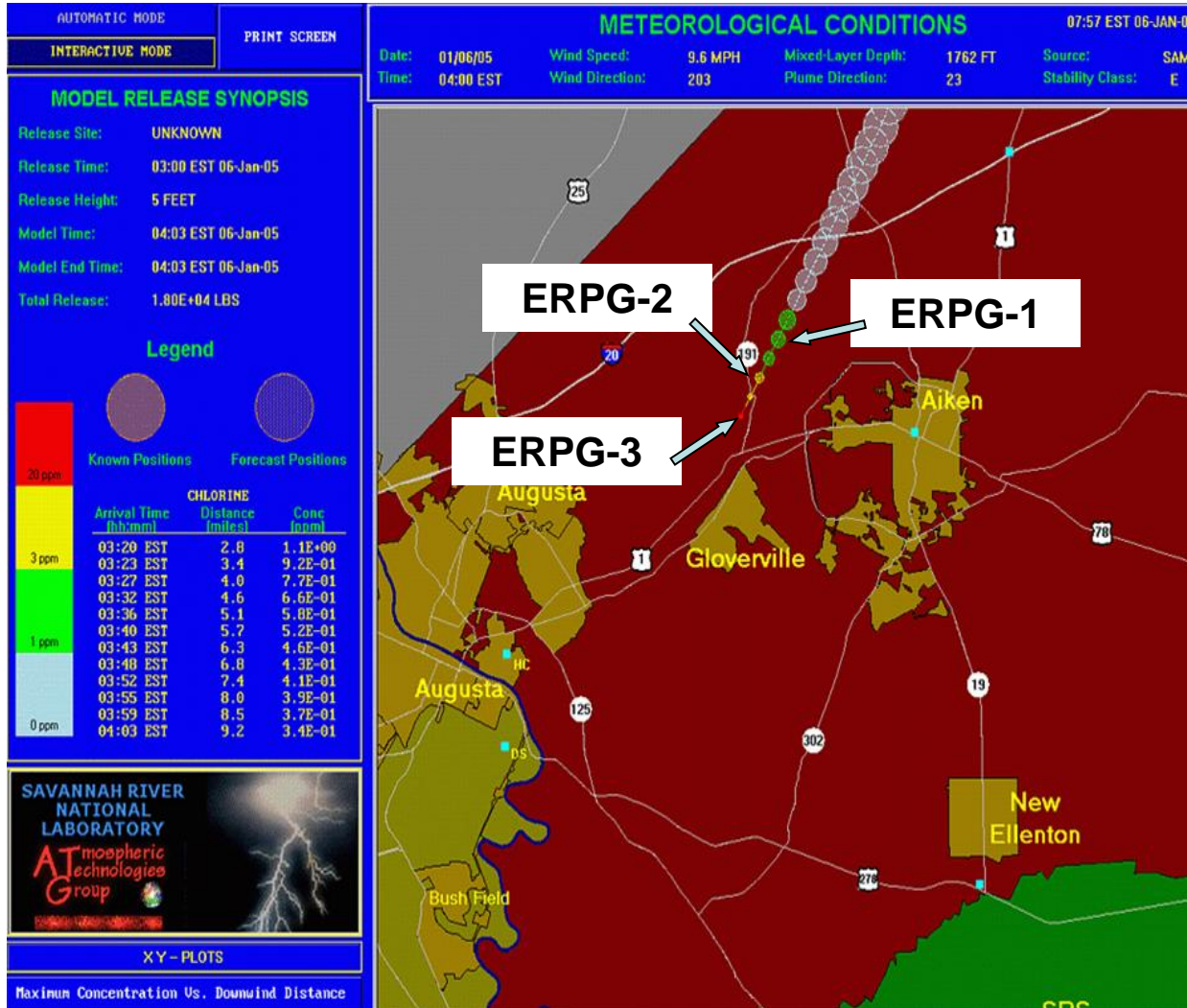
Guideline (مبادئ توجيهية)	Organization and Context	
AEGL Acute Exposure Guideline Level		Developed to describe the risk to humans resulting from once-in-a-lifetime, or rare, exposure to airborne chemicals. <small>*Developed by committee managed by EPA</small>
PAL Provisional Advisory Level		Developed for high-priority hazardous chemicals and chemical warfare agents in air and drinking water following a disaster.
ERPG Emergency Response Planning Guideline		Used in community emergency planning to develop guidelines for responding to potential releases of airborne substances
EEGL Emergency Exposure Guidance Level		Developed for military personnel operating under emergency conditions to prevent irreversible harm or serious impairment of judgment or performance.
EU-AETL European Union Acute Exposure Threshold Level		Used to support emergency-response and land-use planning following accidental chemical releases from industrial facilities.



قيم الاستجابة للطوارئ Emergency Response Values: Graniteville, SC Chlorine Spill



Emergency Response Values: Graniteville, SC Chlorine Spill



The maximum airborne concentration below which it is believed that nearly all individuals could be exposed for up to one hour without experiencing or developing...

ERPG-3 . . .life-threatening health effects.






ERPG-2 . . .irreversible or other serious health effects or symptoms which could impair an individual's ability to take protective action.

ERPG-1 . . .other than mild, transient adverse health effects or without perceiving a clearly defined objectionable odor.

خصائص القيم المهنية

- **Exposure Type:** Healthy adult workers in occupational settings
- **Duration:** Acute to chronic. Generally include two types of values
 - Not to exceed – “ceiling”
 - Time-weighted average
- **Medium:** Generally concentrations in workplace air
- **Enforceability:** Some are legally enforceable
- **Applicability:** Inform risk management policies in the workplace
- **Adaptability:** Sometimes derived for special environments



Guideline	Organization and Context	
<p>REL Recommended Exposure Limit</p>		<p>Developed for hazardous substances or conditions in the workplace considering a continuous exposure during a normal 40-hour workweek.</p>
<p>IDLH Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health value</p>		<p>Developed only for the purpose of respirator selection under emergency conditions in the workplace.</p>
<p>PEL Permissible Exposure Level</p>		<p>Mandated to address hazardous substances or conditions in the workplace considering a continuous exposure during a normal 40-hour workweek.</p>
<p>TLV Threshold Limit Value</p>		<p>Developed to enable industrial hygienists to make decisions regarding safe values of exposure to chemical substances and physical agents found in the workplace.</p>
<p>CEGL Continuous Exposure Guidance Level</p>		<p>To protect workers on submarines from chemical exposures in an enclosed and isolated environment.</p>

Ambient and General Public Values: Characteristics

خصائص القيم المحيطة والعمومية


- **Exposure Type:** Ambient
- **Duration:** Generally long-term
- **Medium:** Developed for air, water, and food
- **Enforceability:** Some are legally enforceable
- **Applicability:** Prevent harm from chemical exposures over the course of a lifetime; must protect sensitive subgroups
- **Adaptability:** Frequently developed for protection of human health and the environment



General Public Values: IRIS



القيم العمومية

Guideline	Organization and Context
<p>RfD Reference dose</p>	 <p>Integrated Risk information System (IRIS) values are:</p>
<p>RfC Reference concentration</p>	<p>Developed to support hazard identification and dose-response assessment.</p>
<p>OSF Oral slope factor</p>	<p>Used to characterize public health risks of a given substance in a given situation.</p>
<p>IUR Inhalation Unit Risk</p>	<p>Used to form the basis for risk-based decision-making, regulatory activities, and other risk management decisions.</p>

Reference Value Arrays

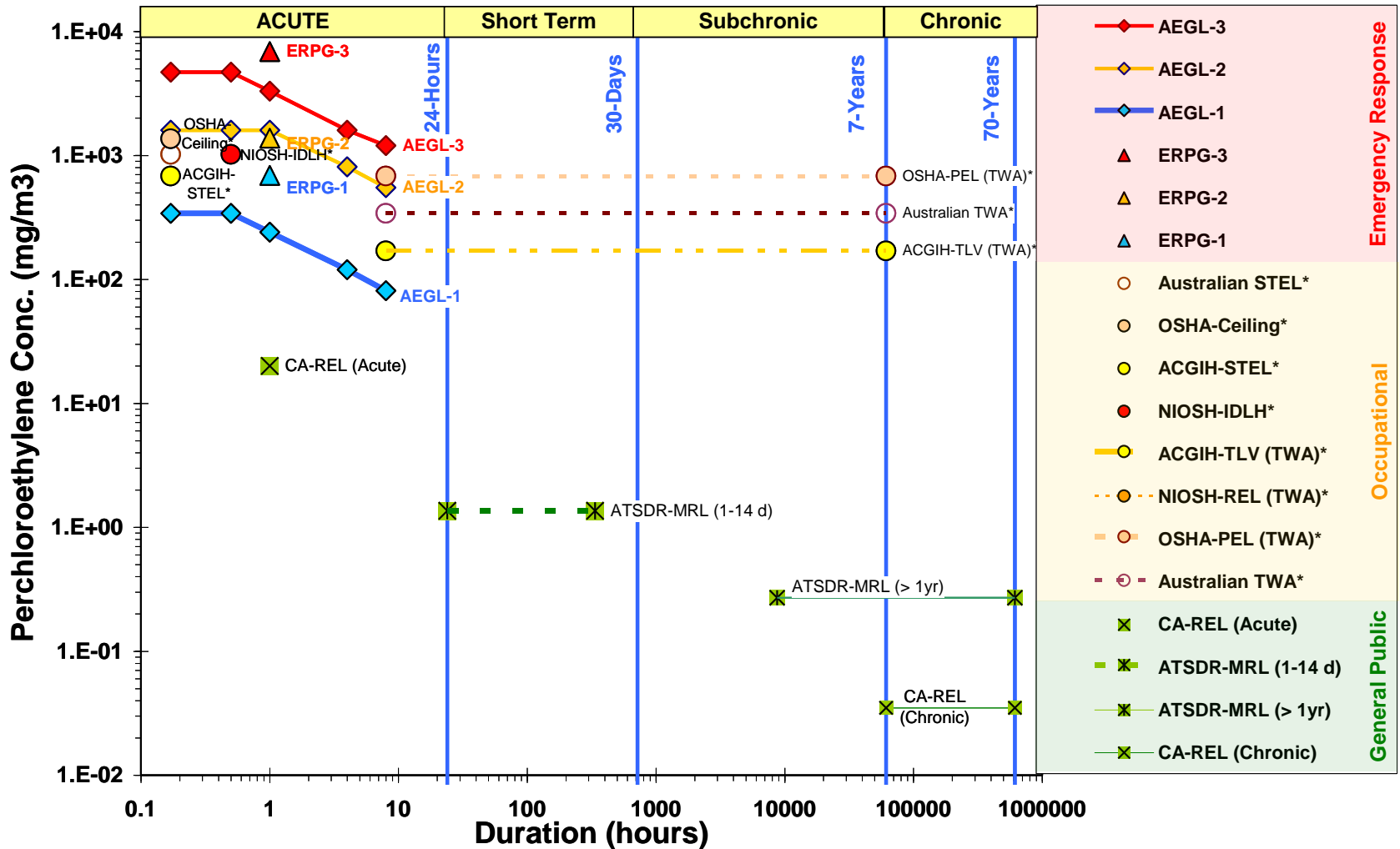
صفائف القيم المرجعية

- **Reference Value Arrays** are graphical arrays that compare human health effect reference values across:
 - Multiple Agencies & Organizations
 - Durations of exposure
 - Populations of concern
 - Severity of effect
- A report on the purpose and development of reference value arrays is available from the U.S. EPA (2009).

Reference Value Arrays

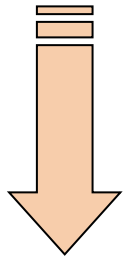
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Perchloroethylene: Comparison of Reference Values

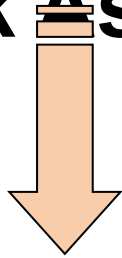


المعلومات المتاحة لتقييم المخاطر

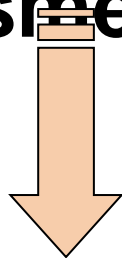
NCEA Available Resources for Risk Assessment Evaluation



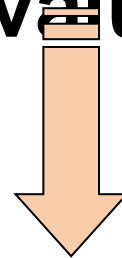
IRIS



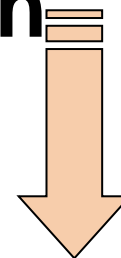
**ISA &
PPRTV**



HERO



**Guidance
Documents**



**Exposure-
Response
Arrays**



Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS)

شبكة المعلومات المتكاملة عن المخاطر

- Provides scientific information on potential adverse health effects that may result from exposure to chemical substances found in the environment
- Develops oral reference doses and inhalation reference concentrations for non-cancer endpoints
- Develops a weight of evidence descriptor (carcinogenic to human), oral slope factors, and inhalation unit risks for cancer
- EPA risk assessors combine IRIS toxicity values with scenario-specific exposure values to estimate risk
- Source of toxicity information to inform risk-based decision-making; founded on EPA guidelines for health risk assessment
- Fosters consistent risk assessments across EPA Programs and Regions
- Follows National Academy of Sciences (NAS) risk assessment paradigm

EPA

IRIS Program Users



EPA Programs

المستخدمون

Academia & the Scientific community



Industry

Trade associations



Federal Agencies
States
Public



International Organizations



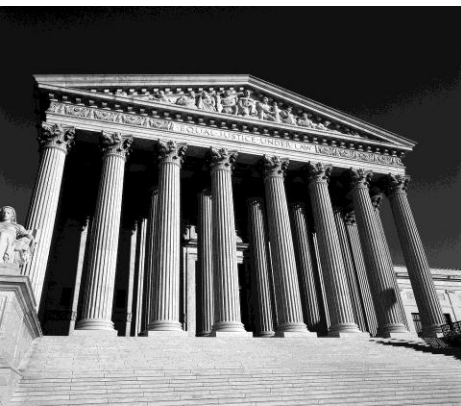
Public interest groups

Environmental organizations

Advocacy groups

Federal and State law Makers

Courts



Developers
Mentors



Accessing IRIS Data

- IRIS website (www.epa.gov/IRIS) contains:
 - IRIS Assessments, including:
 - Toxicological Review
 - IRIS Summary
 - “QuickViews”
 - IRIS Track

Getting Started with IRIS



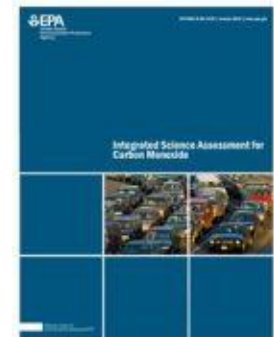
- [An overview of the web site](#)
- [What is IRIS?](#)
- [How does EPA decide which substances to add or update?](#)

[More frequent questions >>](#)



Integrated Science Assessments:

- Provide the scientific basis for the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for the six criteria air pollutants.
- Evaluates and integrates evidence from across scientific disciplines – atmospheric sciences, dosimetry, exposure, toxicology, controlled human exposure, epidemiology, ecology or welfare effects.
- Conclusions, causal judgments (e.g., “causal relationship,” “likely to be a causal relationship,” “suggestive evidence of a causal relationship,” “inadequate to infer a causal relationship,” and “not likely to be a causal relationship”) drawn for health and ecological or environmental effects.
- Are vetted through a rigorous peer review process, including review by the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Council and public comment periods.



Provisional Peer Reviewed Toxicity Value (PPRTV) Documents

شبكة القيم السمية المدروسة

- PPRTVs are dose-response assessment documents which provide provisional reference doses and reference concentrations (sub-chronic and chronic), and cancer values (oral and inhalation unit risks) to support remediation decisions by Superfund site managers.
- Chemicals are selected according to priorities defined by the Superfund program.
- The process includes a literature search, review and evaluation of all relevant studies, determination of critical studies and critical effects, consideration of uncertainty factors, and quantification of toxicity values under a well defined Standard Operating Procedure.
- Once established, PPRTVs are reviewed in 5 years
- They are used to support decisions on acceptable levels of human exposure, establish remediation strategies, and set clean-up goals that are appropriate for protecting human health while not overly conservative and costly.
- The Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology Innovation (OSRTI) has defined a 3-tiered hierarchy of toxicity values for use by the Regions and States in conducting assessments: Tier I, IRIS values; Tier II, PPRTVs; and Tier III, other peer-reviewed values available, e.g., Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) minimal risk levels (MRLs)

The Health and Environmental Research Online (HERO)

شبكة بحوث الصحة و البيئة

- HERO database provides an easy way to view the scientific literature behind EPA science assessments.
- The database includes more than 300,000 scientific articles from the peer-reviewed literature used by EPA to develop its Integrated Science Assessments (ISA)
- It also includes references and data from the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS).
- Most journal article entries in HERO have a link to a DOI (Digital Object Identifier) . This link will direct the reader to a journal or publisher website.





EPA Guidance Documents

مستندات القيم التوجيهية

EPA Cancer Guidelines

- U.S. EPA. 2005. Guidelines for Carcinogen Risk Assessment EPA/630/P-03/001F, Mar 2005.
- U.S. EPA. 2005. Supplemental Guidance for Assessing Susceptibility from Early-Life Exposure to Carcinogens EPA/630/R-03/003F, Mar 2005.
- U.S. EPA. 1999. Guidelines for Carcinogen Risk Assessment Review draft. NCEA-F-0644, Jul 1999.
- U.S. EPA. 1996. Proposed Guidelines for Carcinogen Risk Assessment (PDF) (143 pp, 649K) EPA/600/P-92/003C, Apr 1996.
- U.S. EPA. 1986. Guidelines for Carcinogen Risk Assessment

EPA Risk Guidelines (Other than Cancer)

- U.S. EPA. 2000. Supplementary Guidance for Conducting Health Risk Assessment of Chemical Mixtures. EPA/630/R-00/002, Aug 2000.
- U.S. EPA. 1998. Guidelines for Neurotoxicity Risk Assessment EPA/630/R-95/001F, Apr 1998.
- U.S. EPA, 1996. Guidelines for Reproductive Toxicity Risk Assessment EPA/630/R-96/009, Oct 1996.
- U.S. EPA. 1991. Guidelines for Developmental Toxicity Risk Assessment EPA/600/FR-91/001, Dec 1991.
- U.S. EPA. 1987. Risk Assessment Guidelines of 1986. EPA/600/8-87/045, Sep 1987.
- U.S. EPA. 1986. Guidelines for Mutagenicity Risk Assessment EPA/630/R-98/003, Sep 1986.
- U.S. EPA. 1986. Guidelines for the Health Risk Assessment of Chemical Mixtures (PDF) EPA

Other Guidance Documents and Technical Panel Reports

- U.S. EPA. 2011. Exposure Factors Handbook. EPA 600/R10-030
- U.S. EPA. 2011. Recommended Use of Body Weight 3/4 as the Default Method in Derivation of the Oral Reference Dose. EPA/100/R11/0001
- U.S. EPA. 2002. A Review of the Reference Dose and Reference Concentration Processes. EPA/630/P-02/002F, Dec 2002.
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- U.S. EPA. 1994. Methods for Derivation of Inhalation Reference Concentrations and Application of Inhalation Dosimetry. EPA/600/8-90/066F, Oct 1994.
- U.S. EPA. 1994. Interim policy for particle size and limit concentration issues in inhalation toxicity studies: Notice of availability. Federal Register Notice 59(206): 53799.

The Challenge: The risk assessment community needs up to date information and training on principles and practices of risk assessment, especially in an era of scarce resources and evolving scientific knowledge.

The Solution: EPA is partnering with a coalition of states, federal agencies, industry and other stakeholders to develop the Risk Assessment Training and Experience (RATE) program.

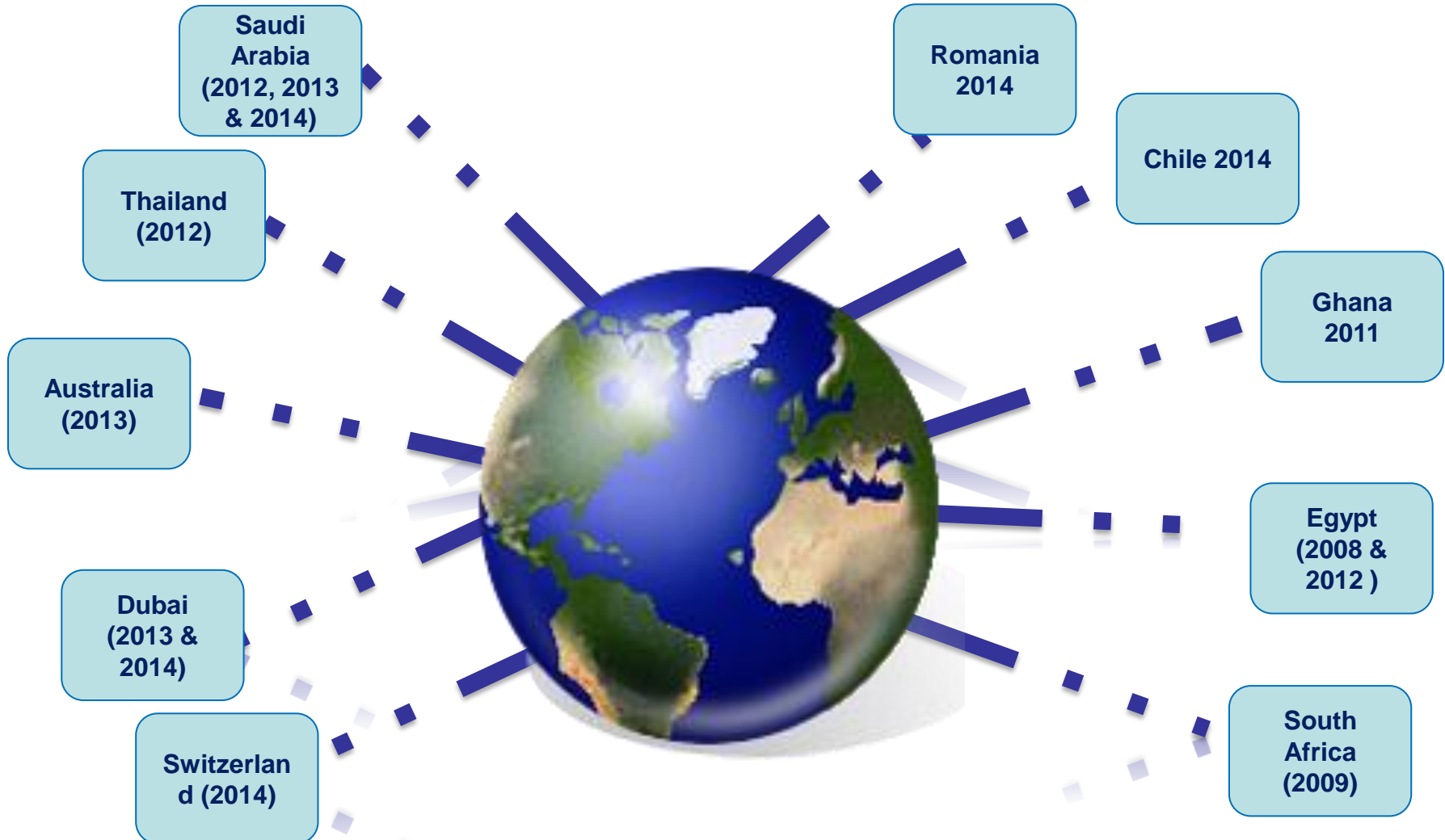
The RATE program:

- Provides comprehensive risk assessment instruction in a classroom setting; will eventually include a web-based platform.
- Includes modules on the fundamentals of risk assessment; hazard identification; dose-response; exposure assessment; and risk characterization, communication and management.

This innovative program will:

- Help ensure that state-of-the-art methods are incorporated into risk assessment practice.
- Train the next generation of risk assessors and environmental leaders, ensuring that decisions are based on sound science and the most current risk assessment practices.

International Training Classes



- Risk Assessment is an integrated and dynamic process that utilizes scientific estimates to inform environmental and public health risk management decisions.
- Risk Assessment requires diverse scientific team.
- Internet is valuable tool to use in Risk Assessment

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