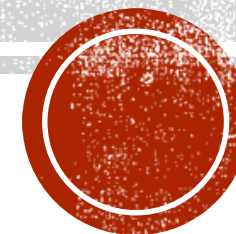


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## CELLULAR AND MOLECULAR ALTERATION AS BIOMARKERS FOR XENOBIOTIC EXPOSURE

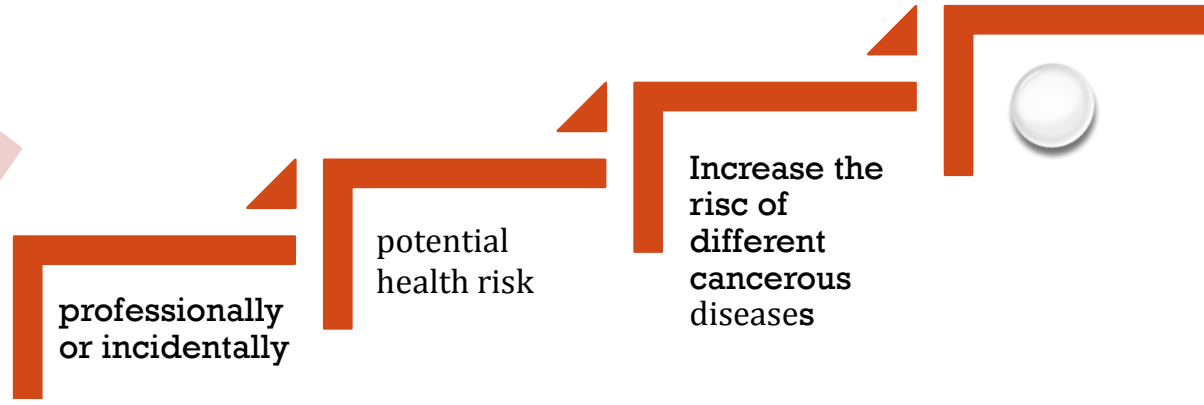
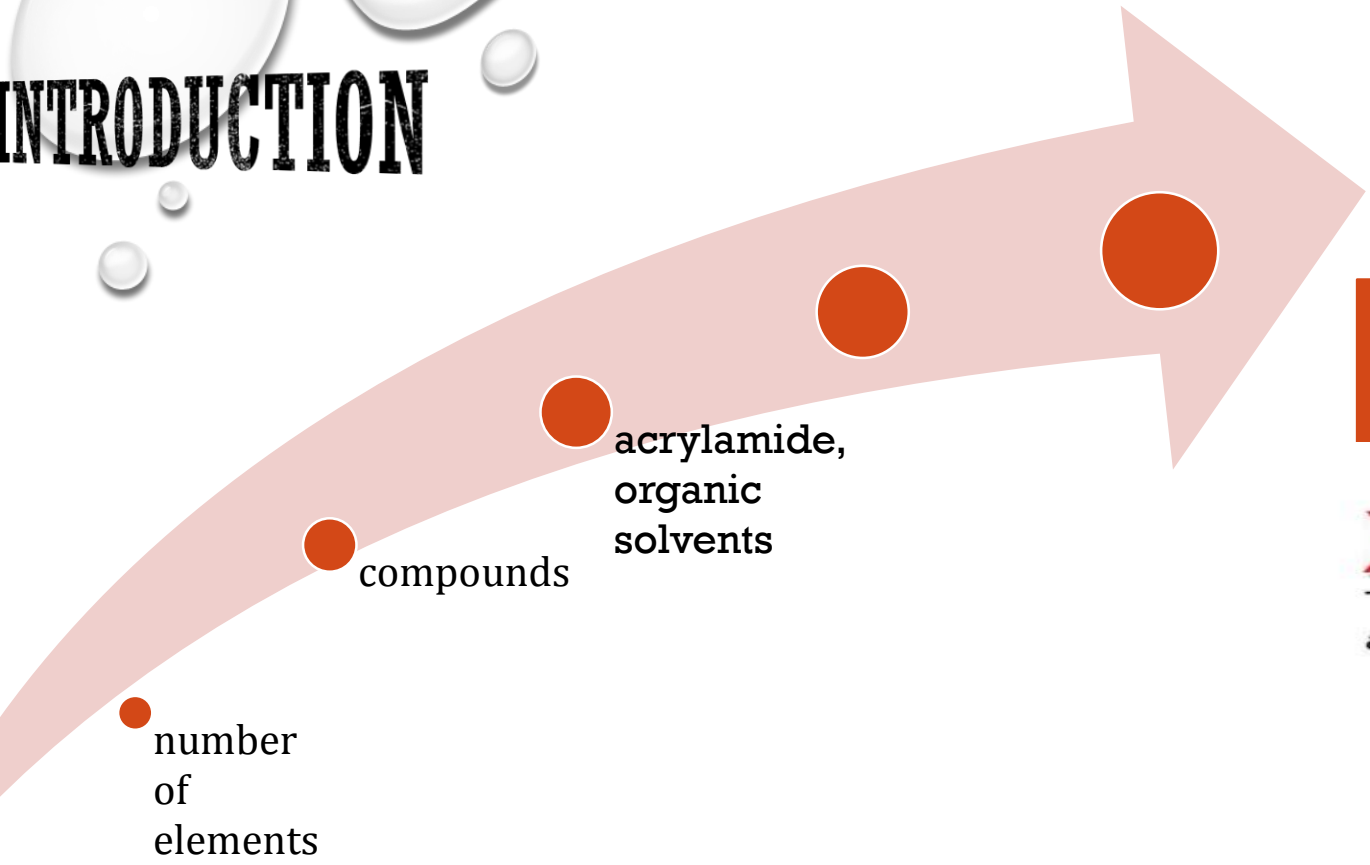


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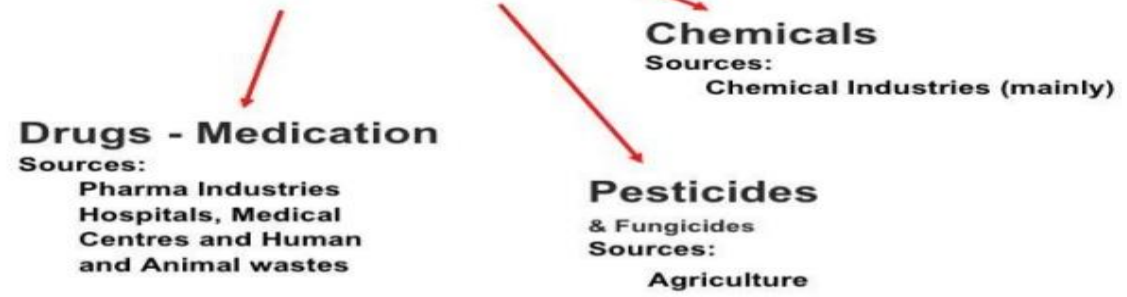
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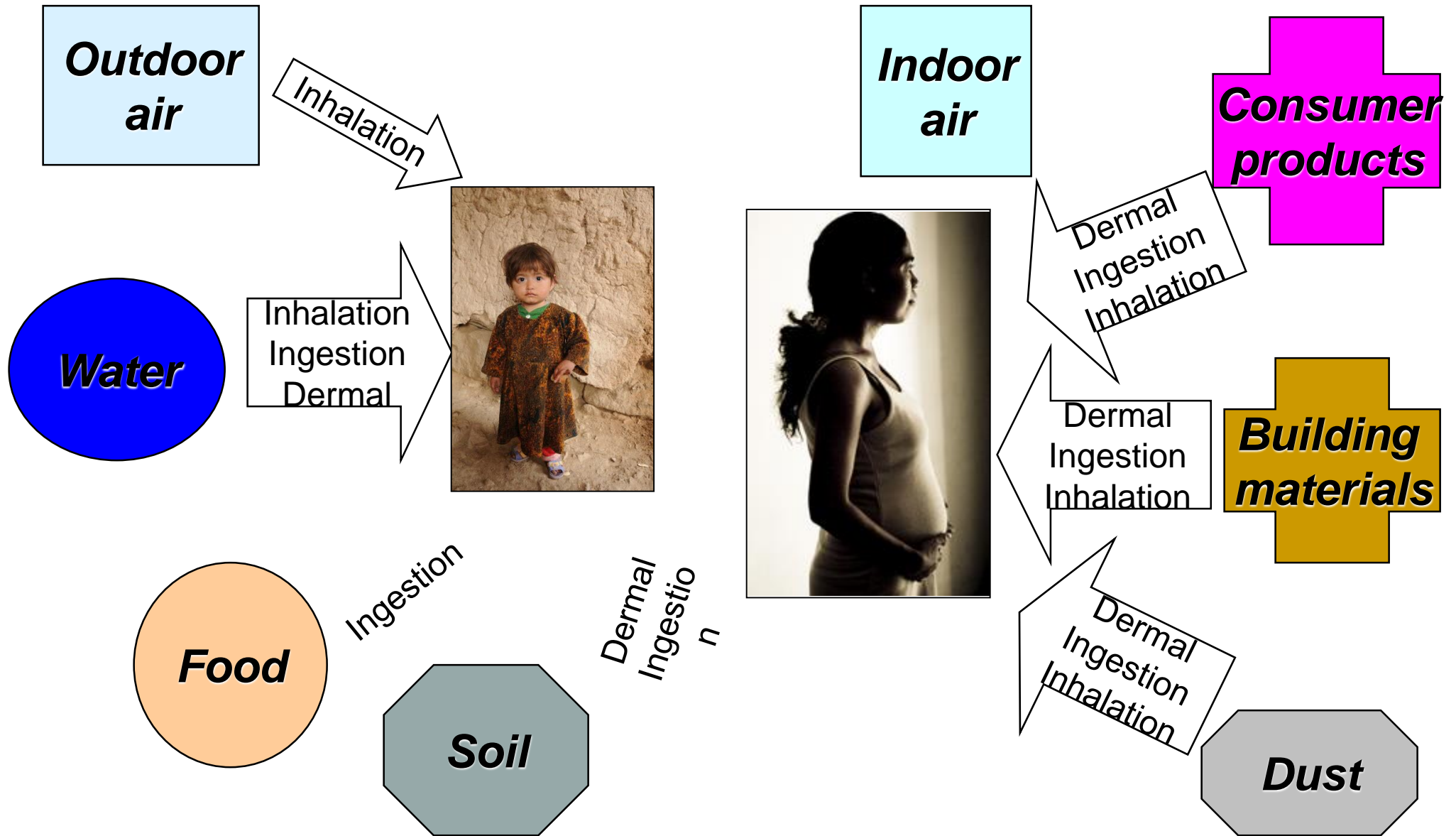


## Xenobiotics

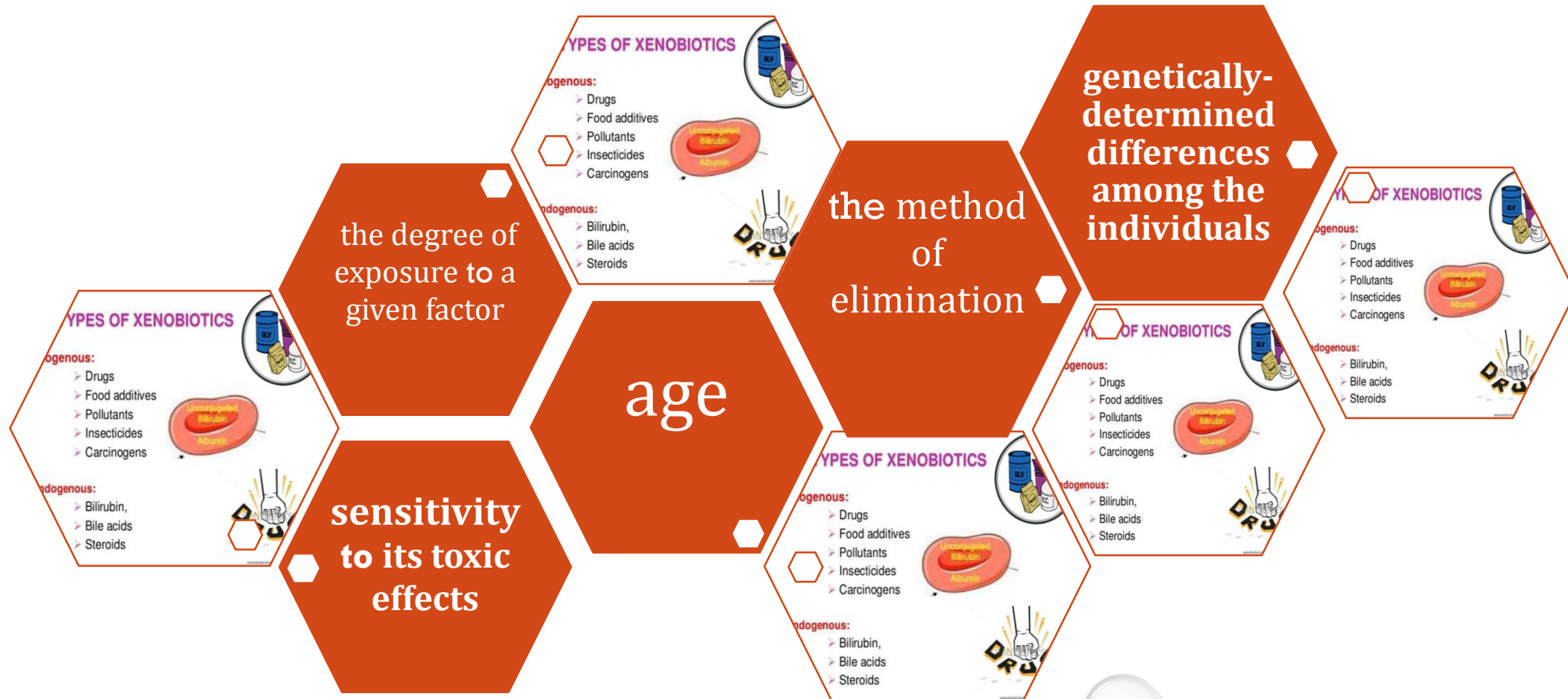
The word points out a large range of *artificial* components such as



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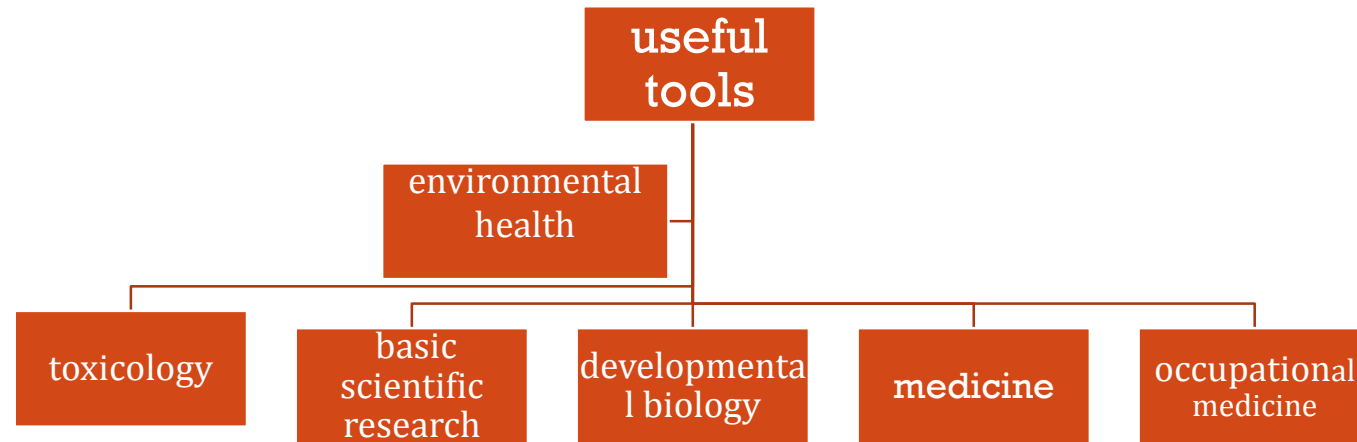
# BIOMONITORING / BIOMARKERS

- biological marker as a xenobiotically induced alteration in cellular or biochemical components or processes or functions that is measurable in a biological system or sample (**The National Academy of Sciences USA**)
- biological response to a chemical or a group of chemical agents
- Biological monitoring has advantages over environmental monitoring because it measures the internal dose of a compound
- particularly useful in the evaluation of progressive diseases that manifest their symptoms long after exposure to initiating factors



The use of biological markers in the evaluation of disease risk has increased markedly in the last decade

Biological markers (biomarkers) were early defined as “cellular, biochemical or molecular alterations that are measurable in biological media such as human tissues, cells, or fluids”



### **biomarker of exposure**

measurement of parent compound, metabolites and reflect the dose of exposure

### **biomarker of effect**

measurable biochemical, physiological, and behavioral alteration/health impairment or disease

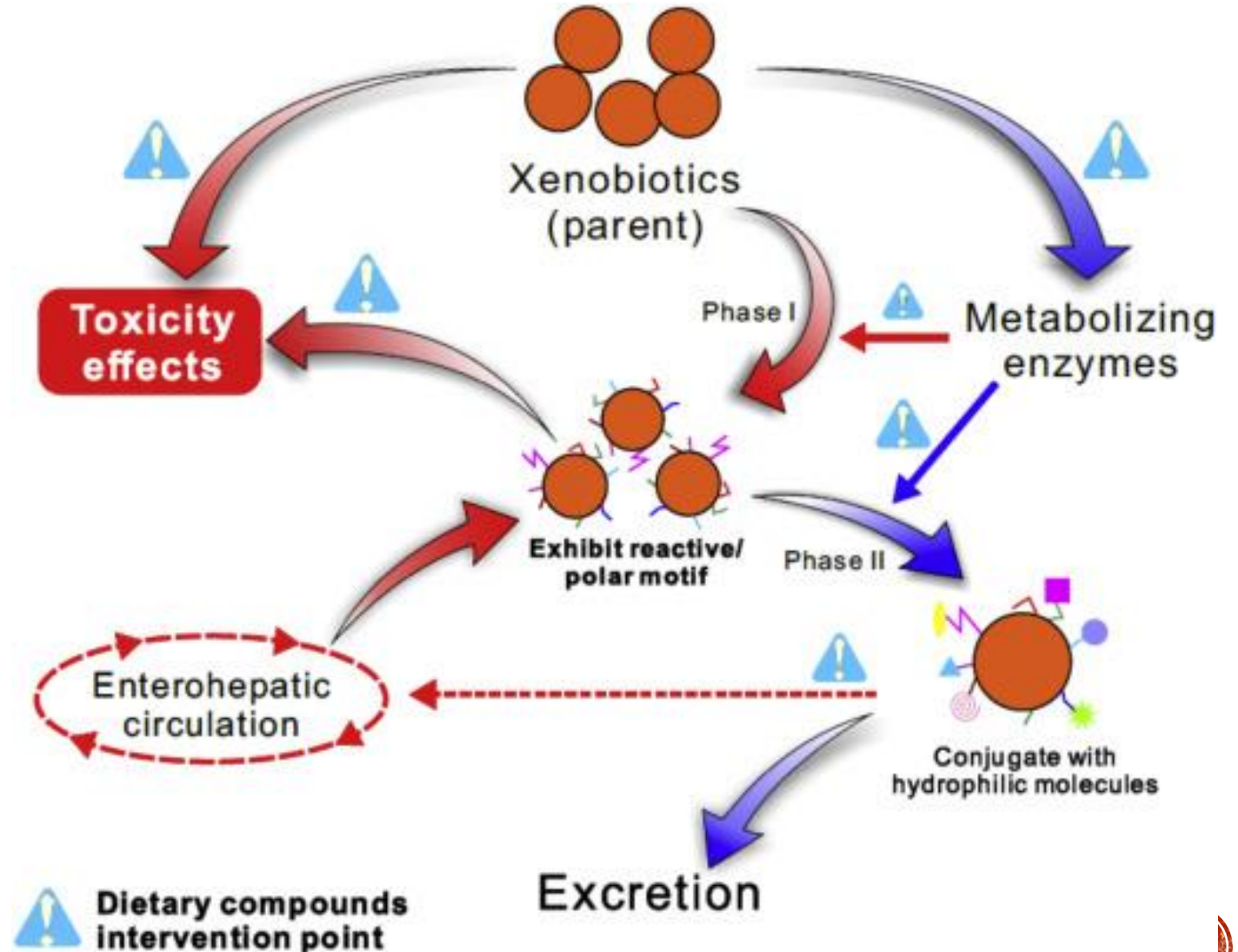
### **biomarker of susceptibility**

inherent or acquired ability of an organism to respond to specific exposure



# SPECIFICITY OF BIOMARKERS

- sample collection and analysis are simple and reliable
- the biomarker is specific for a particular type of exposure
- the biomarker only reflects a subclinical and reversible change
- use of the biomarker is regarded as ethically acceptable



## *Blood system*

- alterations of heme synthesis
- ALAD is an enzyme involved in the heme biosynthetic pathway
- is highly specific for lead exposure and effect.
- The inhibition of ALAD has been shown to be a reliable indicator of effect to lead

## *Nervous system*

Neurochemical measurements for detecting neurotoxicity are limited by the inaccessibility of target tissue  
the most significant and useful example of specific biomarker of neurotoxicity is the inhibition of acetyl choline esterase (AChE) caused by organophosphorus compounds or carbamate pesticides

## *Urinary biomarkers*

high molecular weight protein (HMWP) such as albumin and a low molecular weight protein (LMWP)  
immunochemical methods, are referred to as renal antigens

## *Biomarkers of DNA damage*

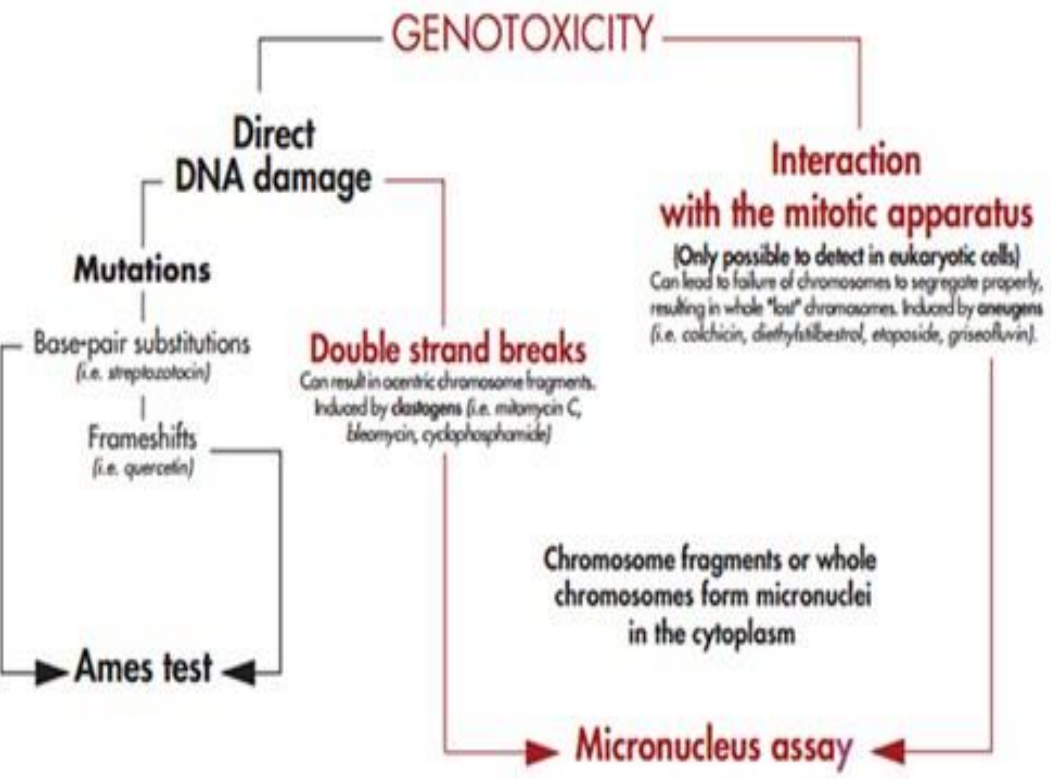
chromosomal aberrations  
the sister chromatid exchange (SCE)

Metallothioneins have been proposed as biomarkers for exposure to metal ions since they are induced by the own metals





# How To Measure Genotoxicity

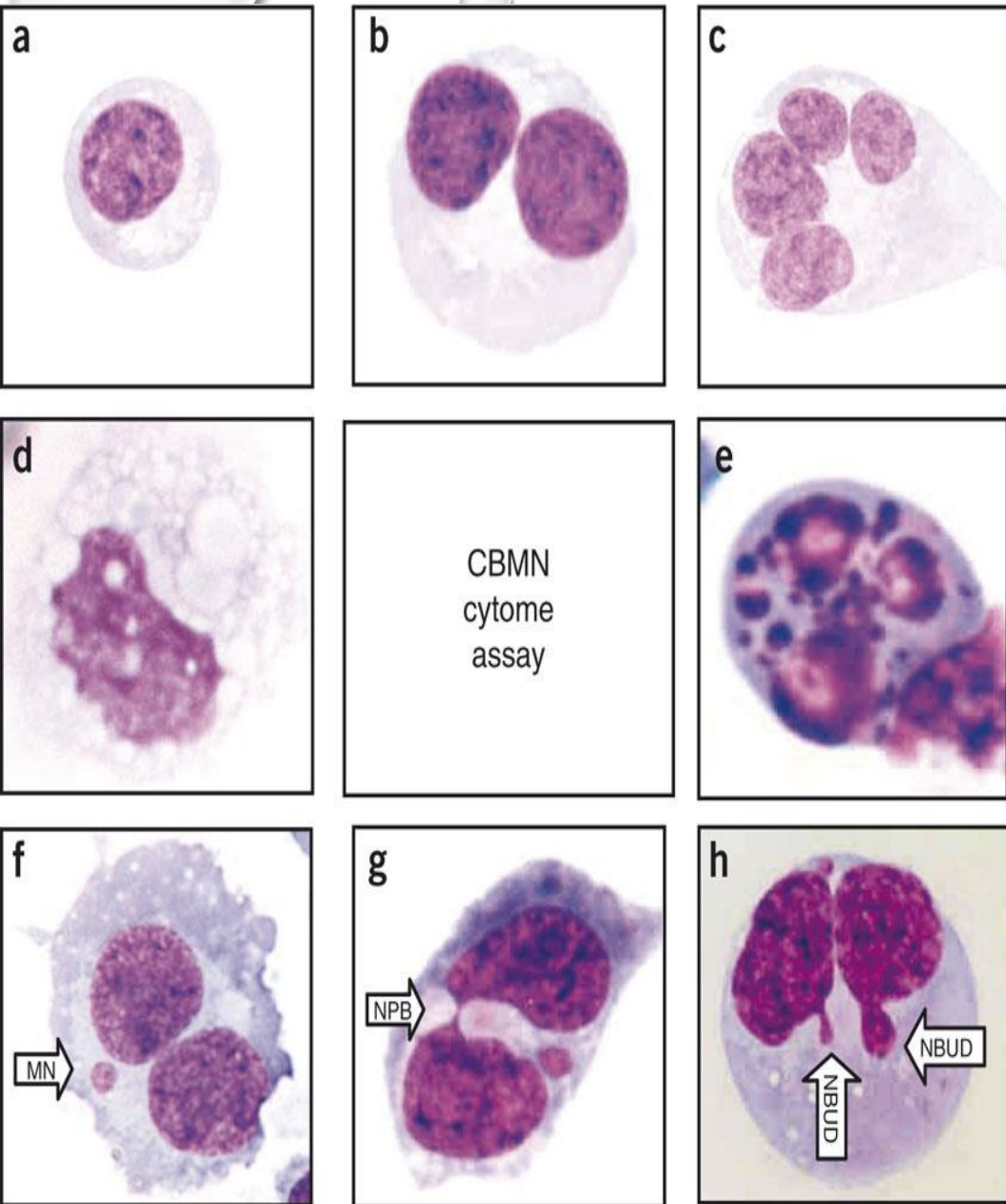


## Genotoxic tests

Micronucleus assay

Comet assay





CBMN  
cytome  
assay

abnormal nuclear  
shapes (MNI),  
nucleoplasmic  
bridges (NPBs)  
and nuclear buds  
(NBUDs)

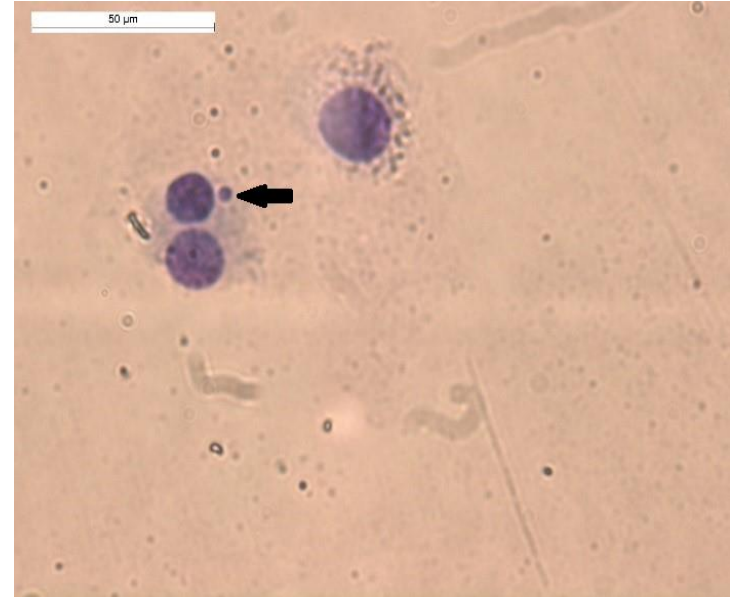
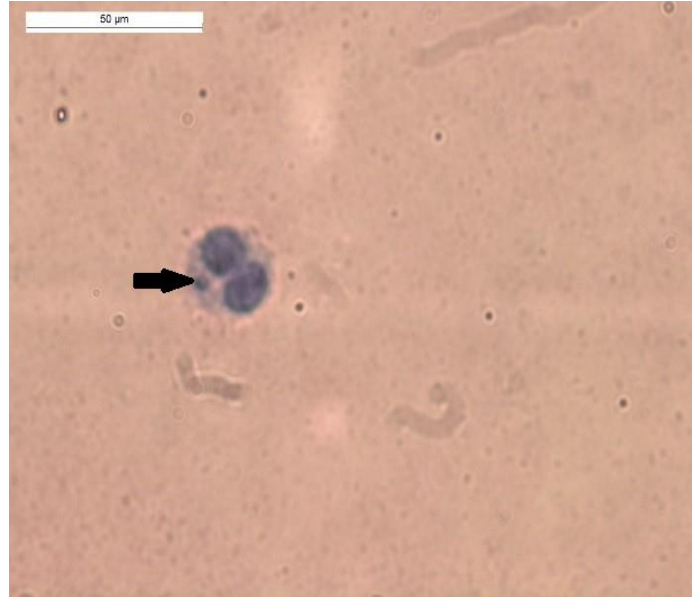
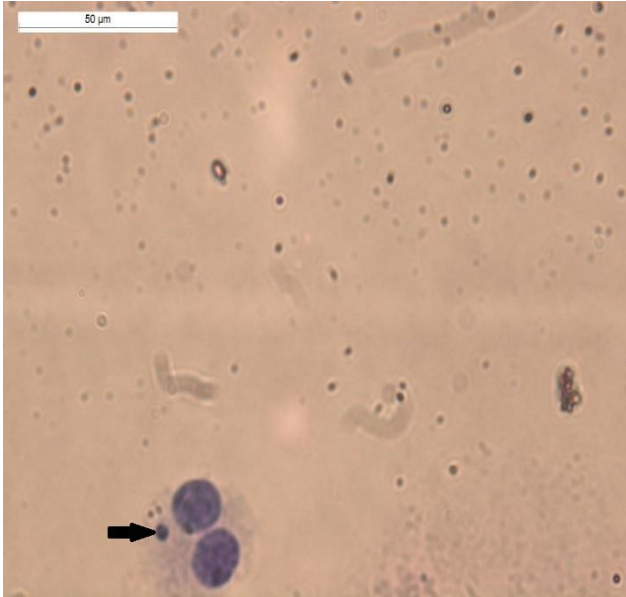
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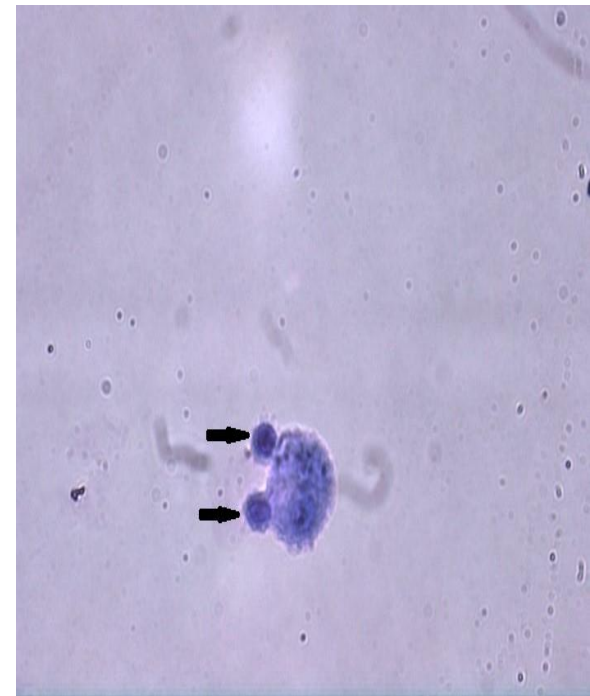
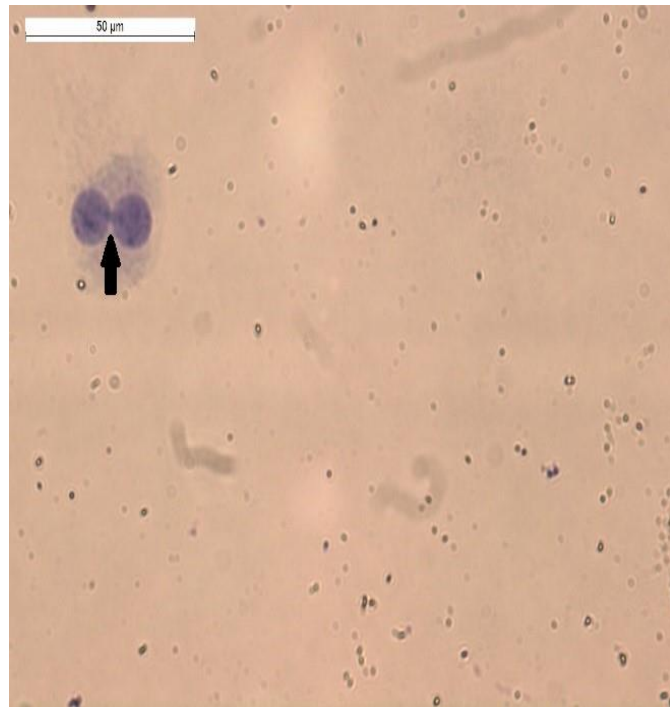


1,000 BN cells were evaluated



MNi are defined as small, round nuclei clearly separated from the main cell nucleus





BN cells containing NPB

BN cells containing NBUDs



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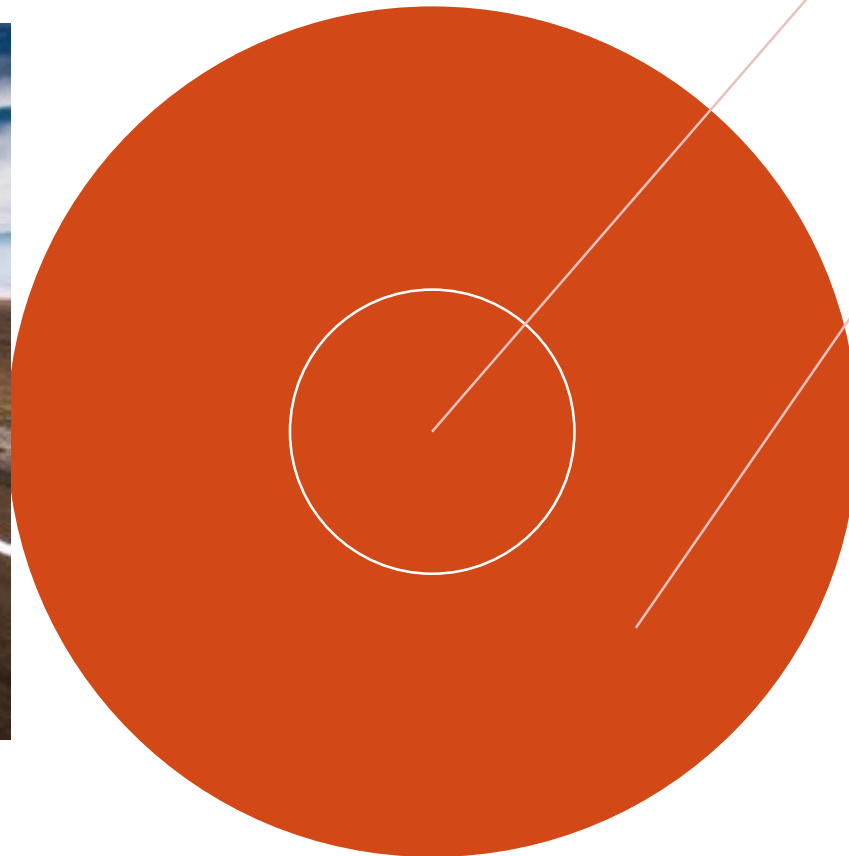
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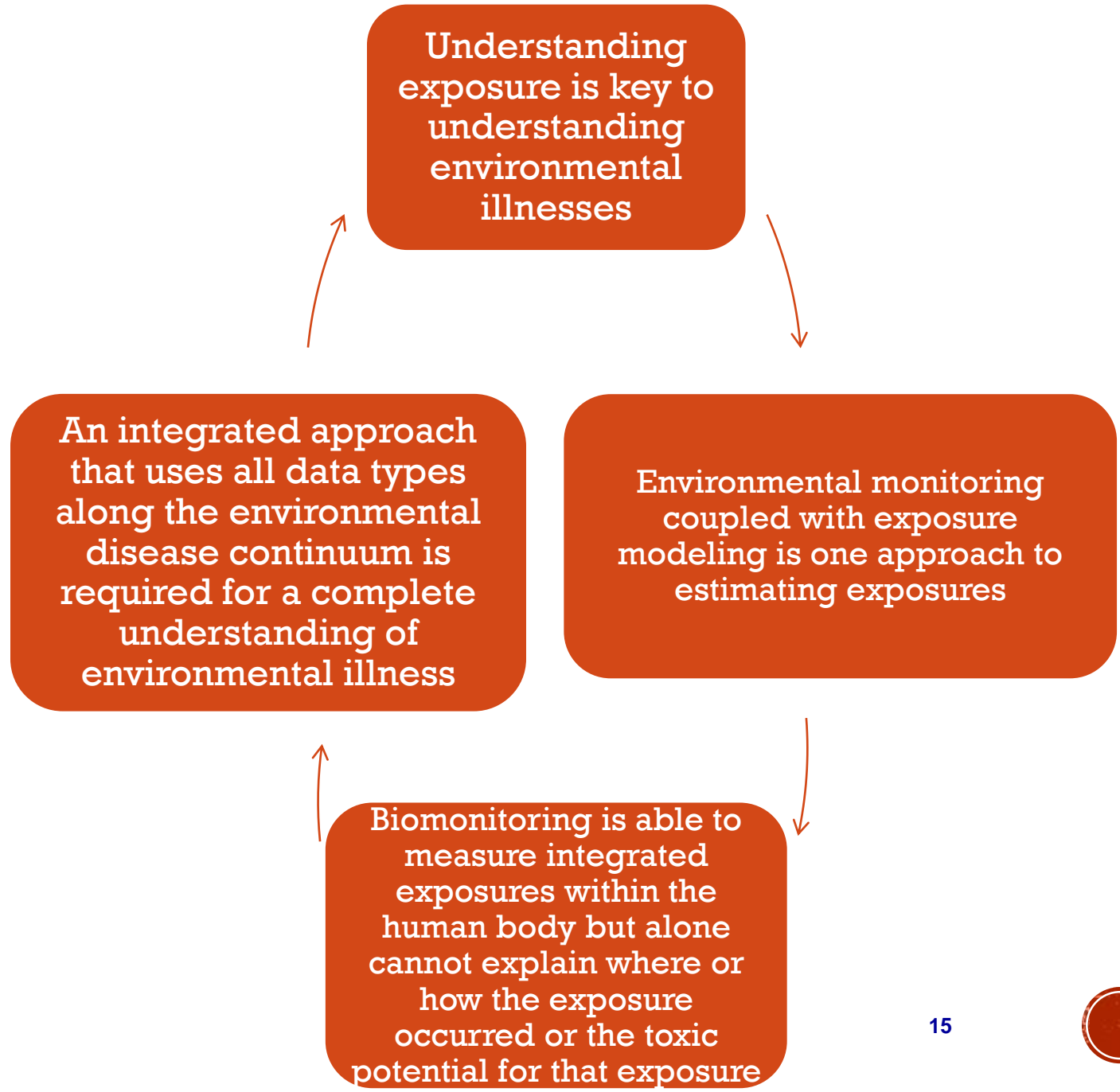
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