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11 Litterfall mercury deposition in Atlantic forest ecosystem from SE – Brazil D.C. Teixeira, R.C. Montezuma, R.R. Oliveira, E.V. Silva-Filho

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Stomatal ozone flux-response relationships were derived for winter wheat in subtropical China.

24 Effects of herbicides on Behr's metalmark butterfly, a surrogate species for the endangered butterfly, Lange's metalmark J.D. Stark, X.D. Chen, C.S. Johnson

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28 Effects of ethinylestradiol and of an environmentally relevant mixture of xenoestrogens on steroidogenic gene expression and specific transcription factors in zebrafish
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**Abundance of birds in Fukushima as judged from Chernobyl**A.P. Møller, A. Hagiwara, S. Matsui, S. Kasahara, K. Kawatsu, I. Nishiumi, H. Suzuki, K. Ueda, T.A. Mousseau

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46 Assessment of polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs) in serum from the Korean general population J. Kim, J.-H. Kang, H. Park, S.-Y. Baek, Y.-H. Kim, Y.-S. Chang

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### 81 A multimedia fate model to evaluate the fate of PAHs in Songhua River, China

C. Wang, Y. Feng, Q. Sun, S. Zhao, P. Gao, B.-L. Li

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### 89 Impacts of urbanization on carbon balance in terrestrial ecosystems of the Southern United States

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Urbanization has resulted in carbon release to the atmosphere, but established urban areas may gradually accumulate carbon over time.

### Spatial and temporal variation of THg concentrations in run-off water from 19 boreal catchments, 2000–2010 K. Eklöf, J. Fölster, L. Sonesten, K. Bishop

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#### 110 Influence of N deficiency and salinity on metal (Pb, Zn and Cu) accumulation and tolerance by Rhizophora stylosa in relation to root anatomy and permeability

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#### 118 Polychlorinated naphthalenes (PCNs) in sub-Arctic and Arctic marine mammals, 1986–2009

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Analysis of PCNs in seven marine mammal species sampled over a 23 year period indicates a decline in the PCN load in sub-Arctic and Arctic areas in recent years.

### **Methane and carbon dioxide fluxes and source partitioning in urban areas: The case study of Florence, Italy** B. Gioli, P. Toscano, E. Lugato, A. Matese, F. Miglietta, A. Zaldei, F.P. Vaccari

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### 142 Stream habitat structure influences macroinvertebrate response to pesticides

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#### 150 Analysis of quaternary ammonium compounds in urban stormwater samples

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## 158 Calibration and field performance of triolein embedded acetate membranes for passive sampling persistent organic pollutants in water

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# 164 Toxicity of copper nanoparticles and CuCl<sub>2</sub> salt to *Enchytraeus albidus* worms: Survival, reproduction and avoidance responses

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Toxicity of Cu chloride salt and Cu nanoparticles to Enchytraeus albidus indicated higher toxicity of Cu-NP.

## 169 Effects of Tween 80 on the removal, sorption and biodegradation of pyrene by *Klebsiella oxytoca* PYR-1 D. Zhang, L. Zhu

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### 175 Column leaching of chromium and nickel from a contaminated soil using EDTA and citric acid L. Jean-Soro, F. Bordas, J.-C. Bollinger

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### 188 Concentration responses to organochlorines in Phragmites australis

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Organochlorine mixtures at environmentally relevant concentrations do not pose a significant risk to Phragmites australis.

### 195 Effects of aging on the digestive solubilization of Cu from sediments

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Copper geochemical fractionation, sedimentary organic content and digestive fluid composition explained decrease of Cu bioavailability in sediments with aging.

### 204 Metal leaching along soil profiles after the EDDS application - A field study

A. Wang, C. Luo, R. Yang, Y. Chen, Z. Shen, X. Li

The metal leaching risk associated with EDDS application may be controlled under field conditions.

## 211 Interactive effects of maternal and environmental exposure to coal combustion wastes decrease survival of larval southern toads (*Bufo terrestris*)

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Maternal and environmental exposure to coal combustion wastes interact to decrease survival in larval amphibians.

## 219 Relationships between POPs and baseline corticosterone levels in black-legged kittiwakes (Rissa tridactyla) across their breeding cycle

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The results indicates that the baseline corticosterone level in (pre-)breeding kittiwakes might be affected by PCBs and/or other POPs.

# 227 Bioaccumulation of microcystins in two freshwater gastropods from a cyanobacteria-bloom plateau lake, Lake Dianchi J. Zhang, Z. Wang, Z. Song, Z. Xie, L. Li, L. Song

Higher bioaccumulation MCs level for pulmonate mainly contributed to the stronger bioaccumulation ability in its hepatopancreas.

## 235 Methylmercury bioaccumulation in invertebrates of boreal streams in Norway: Effects of aqueous methylmercury and diet retention

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Exposure to aqueous methylmercury at the base of the food chain in boreal streams determines mercury in aquatic biota at higher trophic levels.

### 242 Lead phytotoxicity in soils and nutrient solutions is related to lead induced phosphorus deficiency

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Soil properties did not explain differences in plant lead toxicity among different soils. Shoot phosphorus concentration decreased with increasing soil lead concentrations.

### 248 Depleted soil carbon and nitrogen pools beneath impervious surfaces

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## One year intensive PM<sub>2.5</sub> bound polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons monitoring in the area of Tuscany, Italy. Concentrations, source understanding and implications

T. Martellini, M. Giannoni, L. Lepri, A. Katsoyiannis, A. Cincinelli

Six-fold decline of the PAH cancer risk index in Tuscany during the last two decades.

# 259 Oxidative dissolution of polymer-coated CdSe/ZnS quantum dots under UV irradiation: Mechanisms and kinetics Y. Li, W. Zhang, K. Li, Y. Yao, J. Niu, Y. Chen

The dissolution of polymer-coated QDs under UV irradiation is a photo-oxidative reaction following first order kinetics.

# Occurrence and persistence of organic emerging contaminants and priority pollutants in five sewage treatment plants of Spain: Two years pilot survey monitoring

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Antibiotics and analgesics/anti-inflammatories were the most frequently drugs detected, following by some  $\beta$ -blockers, synthetic fragrances, lipid regulators and diuretics.

#### **Erratum**

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