Research title

Emerging contaminants in food of animal origin: mapping of their presence through different food chains aimed to food safety evaluation

Indagine sulla presenza dei contaminanti emergenti nelle diverse filiere alimentari per la valutazione della sicurezza degli alimenti di origine animale

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State of the art and aims of the project

Recently, brominated flame retardants and certain perfluorinated chemicals have recently emerged as new contaminants of concern. Governments worldwide are currently evaluating all commercial chemicals, with the goal to identify substances that can biomagnify in food chains and achieve harmful concentrations in high-trophic level organisms including human beings. Dietary accumulation or biomagnification can cause additional bioaccumulation, resulting in an increase in chemical concentration with increasing trophic level in food webs. The purpose of this project will led to evaluate the presence of POPs in food of animal origin with particular attention toward the emerging pollutants from different food chains (e.g. meat, milk, honey and fish) in order to evaluate the accumulation of these toxic compounds. Particular attention will be also paid to the evaluation of the influence of rearing on the presence of POPs in food (organic food and conventional food).

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