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Emerging Contaminants Consortium

The Emerging Contaminants Consortium (formerly PPCPs Consortium) is hosted by the Illinois Sustainable Technology Center (ISTC) and is open to anyone who is currently conducting research on pharmaceuticals, personal care products, hormones, or other harmful chemicals in the environment in the environment or related topics. Meetings are held 2-3 times per year at ISTC (1 E. Hazelwood Dr., Champaign, IL) in the SJW conference room. In addition, one to two short presentations are usually given by consortium members to allow others to learn more about their research. If you are interested in becoming a Consortium member, please email **Elizabeth Meschewski**. There is no cost to be a member.

Meeting Archives

Nov. 8, 2017

The fall 2017 meeting was held on November 8 from 10:30-noon. At the meeting Dr. Yujie Men presented her recent grant from NSF on the **bioremediation of PFASs**. There was also an opportunities for people of diverse backgrounds to network and form new collaborations.

Feb. 16, 2017

The spring emerging contaminants consortium meeting was held at ISTC in conjunction with a noontime seminar presented by Dr. Mary Turyk, Associate Professor of Epidemiology, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago, titled "**Diabetes and Persistent Organic Pollutant Exposure in a the Great Lakes Fish Consumption Study**." There was time for attendees to network and talk with Dr. Turyk about her projects

Sept. 8, 2016

The fall PPCP consortium meeting was held at ISTC in conjunction with a noontime seminar presented by Dr. Diana Aga, professor in the Dept. of Chemistry at SUNY-Buffalo, titled "**Lessons Learned from Two Decades of Research on Emerging Contaminants**." Attendees had the opportunity to discuss their PPCP interests and research results and do networking before the seminar.

April 4, 2016

The spring PPCP consortium meeting was replaced by the **PPCP in the Environment Conference** held on April 4, 2016. The conference was held at the I Hotel in Champaign and featured several **keynote speakers** and a number of presentations on research, education, and outreach on PPCPs. A synopsis is available in the **conference program (PDF)**. Approximately 80 people attended the event.

December 8, 2015

The **December 8 meeting** included two 20 min. webinar presentations from:

Dr. Ruth Marfil-Vega, research chemist and leader of American Water's Innovation and Environmental Stewardship Group based in East St. Louis, gave a webinar titled, "Overview of American Water's Innovation and Environmental Stewardship Group and its Studies on the Fate of Emerging Contaminants." She provided an overview from different projects being conducted by the American Water's Innovation and Environmental Stewardship Group utilizing a combined approach (using targeted and untargeted analysis) to study the impact of drinking water and wastewater treatment operations on the fate of ECs identified as treatment performance and health base indicators (i.e., sucralose, estradiol, caffeine, triclosan, iopromide, DEET, gemfibrozil, atrazine) and nitrosamines (unregulated disinfection by-products).

Dr. Helen Goeden from MN Dept. of Health presented a talk titled, "Minnesota Department of Health's Drinking Water Contaminants of Emerging Concern Program." Dr. Goeden gave an overview of Minnesota Dept. of Health's program activities including their chemical review process for developing human health-based drinking water guidance and their special pharmaceutical project.

September 24, 2015

Dr. Wei Zheng of ISTC presented "Emerging Contaminants in the Environment: Extending Knowledge and Mitigation Strategies." More information about Dr. Zheng's research and other PPCP research being conducted at ISTC, please visit the **PPCPs in the Environment research portal**.

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