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Synopsis

Set against a background of growing public, media and political concern about occupational and environmental health issues, and a scientific need to better understand and explain the effects of pollutants on human health, this book is a unique resource. Contributions from an expert panel of international practitioners provide a comprehensive reference on the state of the art methods and applications in the field of occupational and environmental pollution and the adverse health effects, particularly the exposure assessment in epidemiological studies. Risks associated with occupational and environmental exposure are generally small, but the exposed population, and hence the population attributable risk, may be large. To detect small risk, the exposure assessment needs to be very refined. Exposure assessment is the study of the distribution and determinants of potentially hazardous agents, and includes the estimation of intensity, duration and frequency of exposure, the variation of these indices and their determinants. The aim of this book is to develop an understanding and knowledge of exposure assessment methods and their application to substantive issues in occupational and environmental epidemiology. The emphasis is on methodological principles and good practice. It is focused on exposure assessment in both occupational and environmental epidemiology since there are many similarities but also some interesting differences. The book outlines the basic principles of exposure assessment, and examines the current status and research questions in the exposure assessment of occupational and environmental epidemiological studies of allergens, particulate matter, chlorination disinfection by-products, agricultural pesticides and radiofrequencies. The book will be of interest to all concerned with exposure assessment and epidemiology. It will be a valuable source for undergraduate and postgraduate courses in exposure assessment, occupational hygiene, environmental science, epidemiology, toxicology, biostatistics, occupational and environmental health, health risk assessment and related disciplines and a useful resource of reference for policy makers and regulators.

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From the foreword by David Savitz: 'This book represents an important attempt to come to grips with the distinctive challenges and opportunities in exposure assessment and environmental epidemiology.'

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More damage than stated but great overall! Will be useful in this class and in work.

I was amazed the moment i opened the evelope: it was totally a new-unused book!! No markers, no stains, even the cover was all flat without any wrinkles. The delivery was awesome. It only took 2 days before I got this book. I major in Environmental health, this book is exactly what I want.

The book itself is what I expected, however the description of the book is not what I expected. The description said "like new" but when I received the book, it was written all over, highlighter marks every where, messy notes in the margins of the book that blocked the actual text of the book. As for the book itself, I didn't find it to be 100% useful for the class I am taking. It would have been beneficial to have a glossary of terms and chapter review questions. Some of the concepts are a little advanced for me since I am a health behavior, health promotion major and this is more geared towards environmental health majors.

This book defines the range of state-of-the-art approaches that have been used for exposure assessment in specific applications in environmental epidemiology. It has an excellent list of authors and is well written. However, it presents no overarching rationale that might guide applications in

new problems. It is a good place to see how experts have dealt with various important problems.

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