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Water flea Daphnia magna ミジンコ

Human

Mouse

Long term effect of neonatal exposure of estrogen







Toxicogenomic approach

Mouse array

- Estrogenic activities could be evaluated by DNA microarray
- Pathways (and genes) activated by estrogen could be identified.
- Effects of chemicals are different among tissues
- Effects of estrogen (and chemicals) are different among maturation stages

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Ecotoxicogenomics

- The study of gene and protein expression in non-target organisms that is important in responses to environmental toxicant exposures
- Prediction of toxicant responses across the very broad diversity of the phylogenetic groups present in ecosystems
- Estimation of how changes at one ecological level or organization will affect other levels

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• Find out of common mechanisms underlying among different spices (Comparative toxicogenomics)