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Emerging Contaminant Monitoring and Surveillance in the Great Lakes

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Strategic Surveillance Plan

Identify chemicals of concern

- Chemicals Management Plan National in scope
- Syracuse Research Corporation/Environment Canada
 North American Chemical Inventory Screening Project
- External Expert Consultation (SETAC NA & Europe)
- Etc.

Develop Screening protocols

- Physical / Chemical Properties
- Production rates
- Analyzability
- Etc.

General Categories of Emerging Chemicals

- Siloxanes
- Non Halogenated compounds (Musks, fragrances, etc.)
- Halogenated compounds (BR, F, Cl, etc.)
- Other

Monitoring and Surveillance Update

- U.S. EPA Great Lakes Fish Monitoring Program
 - Broad Scan
 - Musks Aaron Peck, Skidaway
 - 12 new standards
- E.C. Great Lakes Fish Contaminants Monitoring and Surveillance Program
 - Standards for ~50 compounds
- University of Illinois at Chicago
 - Project set to begin in early 2009
- National Rivers and Streams Study
 - pharmaceuticals

Integrated Atmospheric Deposition Network (IADN) Peer Review – Preliminary Results



- IADN is a model for multi-national long-term POPs atmospheric deposition monitoring.
- IADN is an important resource for international POPs agreements (Stockholm, LRTAP, etc.)
- Retain PAHs, all HCHs, and HCB
- Bring in external panel to advise on analytes to add to IADN and other GL monitoring programs
- Once the above list of new candidate analytes is selected, perform an initial monitoring survey at 2-3 sites (most likely include at least one urban site) for 1-2 years