

Biomonitoring California¹
Scientific Guidance Panel Meeting
July 19, 2024: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm²

Attendees can join the meeting via the webinar online or in the Coastal Hearing Room on the second floor of the California Environmental Protection Agency Building, 1001 I St, Sacramento, CA 95814. Visit the meeting page³ for the webinar link and other instructions.

All times shown below are approximate and subject to change.

Logistics (~9:59 am)

Rebecca Belloso, MPH, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA)

Welcome (~10:00am)

David Edwards, PhD, Acting Director, OEHHA

Overview of the Meeting (~10:05 am)

Chair, Scientific Guidance Panel (SGP)

Program Update (~10:10 am)

Presentation: Nerissa Wu, PhD, MPH, California Department of Public Health (CDPH)

Panel and Audience Questions

Open Discussion and Input

Presentation: Aalekhya Reddam, PhD, OEHHA

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Presentation: Paramjit Behniwal, PhD, MSc, Environmental Health Laboratory, CDPH

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Lunch (~12:15 pm)

Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFASs) and Seafood in California: Monitoring of Human Populations and Fish Species (~1:15 pm)

Presentation: Kelly Chen, MS, CDPH

Panel and Audience Questions

Presentation: Wes Smith, PhD, OEHHA

Panel and Audience Questions

Open Discussion Period

Break (~2:45 pm)

¹ California Environmental Contaminant Biomonitoring Program (CECBP), codified at Health and Safety Code section 105440 *et seq.*

² The meeting will adjourn early if business is concluded.

³ <https://biomonitoring.ca.gov/events/biomonitoring-california-scientific-guidance-panel-meeting-july-2024>

Trends of PFASs and Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) in Pregnant Californians (~3:00 pm)

Presentation: Dina Dobraca, MPH, CDPH

Panel and Audience Questions

Open Discussion Period

Open Public Comment Period (~3:45 pm)

Wrap-up and Adjournment (~4:00 pm)

Biomonitoring California and Its Scientific Guidance Panel

The Scientific Guidance Panel (SGP) of the California Environmental Contaminant Biomonitoring Program (codified at Health and Safety Code section 105440 et seq.; also known as Biomonitoring California) was established in legislation (SB 1379, Perata and Ortiz, Chapter 599, Statutes of 2006) to provide scientific oversight to the Program. The Program is a collaboration of three departments in California state government: the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA), and the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC). The Program measures levels of environmental contaminants in California residents. This information will be used to identify emerging environmental hazards and to evaluate the effectiveness of existing environmental programs. Biomonitoring data will ultimately be used by policy-makers to protect Californians from environmental contaminants through better environmental programs and laws.

Meeting Participation and Comment

The order of items on the agenda is subject to change at the discretion of the Chair. Materials related to the meeting are posted on the Biomonitoring California website under the “Meetings” tab (<https://www.biomonitoring.ca.gov/meetings>).

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