

Study Finds Pesticide Levels in Breast Milk Have Dropped Significantly

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Alternet¹⁾ reported in late October on a study published in the journal **Chemosphere**²⁾, which showed that levels of pesticides in breast milk had dropped significantly over the past 40 years.

Researchers at the University of Western Australia (UWA) and Murdoch University study showed a 42-fold decrease in levels of pesticides detected in breast milk, and ties the reduction to government efforts to prohibit persistent organic pollutants (POPs) in Australia, which has lead to decreased exposure over time.

Resources for this article

1. Alternet

http://www.alternet.org/environment/pesticide-levels-breast-milk-have-dropped-significantly-health-concerns-remain

2. Chemosphere

http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0045653516313777