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Contemporary Issues on Pesticide Safety

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Abstract:

At any given moment there are always new issues on pesticide safety. Some of those issues are forced by the society based on the emergence of new threats, the changing attitude of the general public or complaints by action groups representing special interests of certain sub-populations. Others are the results of new scientific discoveries, technological development and/or introduction of new compounds. In this paper an effort has been made to analyze some of the recent issues from the viewpoint of categorizing them into several major types of safety issues in order to clarify the reason behind those issues, and thereby to assist the process of achieving the balance of effective use of pesticides and their safety. © Pesticide Science Society of Japan

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