# **Understanding Environmental Pollutants Profile (EPP)**

### What is environmental pollutant?

Manmade chemicals can be found in our everyday lives, from eating to things that we use daily. More than 10000 chemicals have been reported as ingredients of cosmetic and food. These chemicals could disrupt out endocrine balance even in a trace amount, which are also known as 'Environmental hormone'..

#### What does EPP measure?

It is an Environmental Pollutants Biomonitor that assesses the extent of toxicity on your body towards 7 common toxic chemicals from your urine. This mainly detects the chronic exposure to a number of occupational and environmental pollutants, which has been linked to a various pathologies including neuropsychological dysfunction, anemia and certain cancers.

### Main sources of toxins appear in our daily life

| Type of Sources           | Examples  |
|---------------------------|---|
| Environmental sources     | Active or Passive cigarette-smoke, Automotive emission                      |
| Occupational sources      | Solvents for rubber, Synthetic resins, Gums, Inks, Paints                   |
| Household products        | Household cleaning products   |
| Cosmetics & Personal care | Nail polish, Fragrance, Deodorants, Hair gel, Hair spray, Hand and Body     |
| products                  | lotion, Soap, Shampoo   |
| Plastic products          | Children's toys, Stationery, Food packaging and containers, Medical tubing, |
|                           | Blood bags  |
| Pharmaceuticals           | Some time-release pills, such as sleeping pills                             |

#### **Common Symptoms**

#### Low Level Exposure:

- Blurred vision
- Drowsiness
- Headache
- Irritations to eyes, nose or throat

#### Source and lab test service provider: HK Biotek

# High Level Exposure:

- Apnea
- Fainting
- Irregular heartbeat
- Sleepiness

#### Enquiry

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