

Sullied Sediments: Monitoring Volunteer Survey

We are interested in what influences people's decisions when purchasing food, medicines and other household products. We are also interested in how people dispose of these products. We invite you to assist with this research by filling out the attached survey and mailing it back to us.

In addition to your answers to these questions, we will also ask you for your age, gender, employment status, education and home postcode. However we will not collect your name or any information that will allow us to identify you. Your participation in the study is anonymous.

The information gained from this research will be useful in helping people to dispose of household wastes without polluting the environment. The findings from this research will be presented in a range of outputs including academic journals, official reports and public media such as newspapers, TV and radio.

By filling out and returning this survey, you agree that we can process the data we collect from you. We are not collecting any identifying information so we will be unable, at a later date, to withdraw your data from the survey.

If you would like more information before deciding whether to participate, please contact us on Riverdip@hull.ac.uk.



Part one: specific ingredients and consumer/ safety behaviours

1) How likely are you to check the ingredients list on packaging before buying or using any of the following?

	Very likely	Likely	Unlikely	Very Unlikely	Never	I have not bought this product in the last 6 months
Food and/or drink						
Plant and garden treatments e.g Plant feeds , weed killers, insect killers						
Domestic cleaning products						
Over the counter medication						
Prescription medication						
Personal cleaning products e.g. shampoos, soaps, toothpastes						

2) If you answered yes to any of the above, were you looking for specific ingredients? If you were looking for specific ingredients, please list them below.

3) How likely is it that the ingredients listed on packaging will influence your decision on whether to buy or use any of these products?

	Very likely	Likely	Unlikely	Very Unlikely	Never
Food and/or drink					
Plant and garden treatments e.g Plant feeds, weed killers, insect killers					
Domestic cleaning products					
Over the counter medication					
Prescription medication					
Personal cleaning products e.g. shampoos, soaps, toothpastes					

4) How much of your household's grocery shopping do you do?

All of it	Most of it	Some of it	None of it



5) In the past 6 months how have you got rid of any of the follow products (tick all that apply)?

	Council collected bins	Household waste recycling sites (the tip)	Down a drain, sink or toilet	Returned to the supplier/ shop	other, please specify	I have not got rid of these products in the last 6 months
Food and/or drink						
Garden treatments e.g Plant feeds , weed killers, insect killers						
Domestic cleaning products						
Over the counter medication						
Prescription medication						
Personal cleaning products e.g. shampoos, soaps, toothpastes						
Batteries						

6 a)

Which of the following have you heard of?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Diclofenac			
Sucrose			
Folic acid			
Triclosan			
Erythromycin			
Penicillin			
Methiocarb			
Sodium bicarbonate			
Metalddehyde			
Phosphates			
Estradiols			
Vitamin C			
Fluoride			
Glyphosate			
Mono-sodium glutamate			
Nitrates			
Neonicotinoids			



6 b)

Which of the following are you concerned might harm your health personally?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Diclofenac			
Sucrose			
Folic acid			
Triclosan			
Erythromycin			
Penicillin			
Methiocarb			
Sodium bicarbonate			
Metaldehyde			
Phosphates			
Estradiols			
Vitamin C			
Fluoride			
Glyphosate			
Mono-sodium glutamate			
Nitrates			
Neonicotinoids			

6 c)

Which of the following are you concerned might be harming the environment?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Diclofenac			
Sucrose			
Folic acid			
Triclosan			
Erythromycin			
Penicillin			
Methiocarb			
Sodium bicarbonate			
Metaldehyde			
Phosphates			
Estradiols			
Vitamin C			
Fluoride			
Glyphosate			
Mono-sodium glutamate			
Nitrates			
Neonicotinoids			



7) Which of the following have you heard of?

	Yes	No	Not sure
The Water Framework Directive.			
EU watch list of emerging pollutants			
Sullied Sediments project			
The Environment agency			
OFWAT			
Canal and River's Trust			

Part two: general beliefs/ attitudes concerning health and environmental protection:

Do you agree or disagree that (Please tick the relevant answer):

- a. Nothing natural gives you cancer. Agree Disagree
- b. If you are exposed to a toxic chemical, you are likely to suffer adverse health effects eventually. Agree Disagree
- c. With toxic chemicals, it is not the amount you are exposed to that matters but whether you are exposed at all. Agree Disagree
- d. Use of chemicals has improved our health more than it has harmed it. Agree Disagree
- e. I try to avoid contact with chemicals in my daily life. Agree Disagree
- f. I would like to live in a world without chemicals. Agree Disagree
- g. Just hearing the word "chemical" gets me feeling concerned. Agree Disagree
- h. I trust my gut instincts on whether something is safe or harmful more than I trust what experts say. Agree Disagree
- i. I am confident health experts and authorities do the best possible job to ensure our safety. Agree Disagree
- j. If experts tell me something is safe, I usually believe them. Agree Disagree
- k. If experts tell me something is dangerous, I usually believe them. Agree Disagree
- l. Science and technology create more problems than they solve. Agree Disagree
- m. We depend too much on science and technology. Agree Disagree
- n. We are asking for trouble when we tamper with nature. Agree Disagree



Part three: demographics

8) What is your postcode? _____

9) How old are you? (Please circle)

- Under 18
- 18-25
- 26-35
- 36-45
- 46-55
- 56-65
- 66-75
- Over 75

10) What is your gender (Please circle):

- Female
- Male
- Other

11) What is your current employment status (Please circle):

- Working full-time
- Working part-time or casual
- Student
- Home duties
- Other

12) What is your highest level of education (Please circle):

- Primary
- Part Secondary
- Completed Secondary
- Trade certificate or diploma
- Part Bachelors degree
- Completed Bachelors degree
- Part post graduate degree
- Completed post graduate degree

13) What is your highest level of *science* education (Please circle):

- Primary
- Part Secondary
- Completed Secondary
- Trade certificate or diploma
- Part Bachelors degree
- Completed Bachelors degree
- Part post graduate degree
- Completed post graduate degree

