

Farm-to-Fork & Zero-Pollution

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# Area 8: a zero-pollution ambition for a toxic-free environment





A "pollution–free environment" by 2050

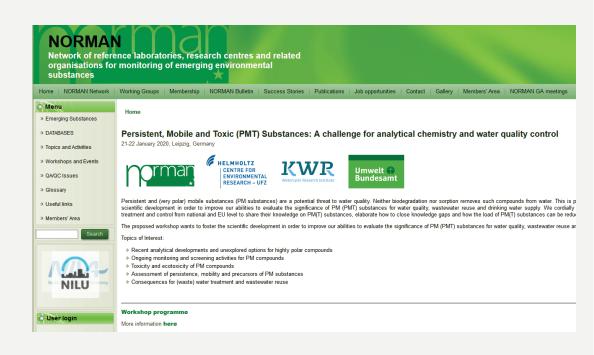


#### Context

PMT : persistent mobile and toxic

PM: persistent and toxic

vPvM : very persistent and very mobile





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#### COMMENTARY

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Persistent, mobile and toxic substances in the environment: a spotlight on current research and regulatory activities

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#### TEXTE 126/2019

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## REACH: Improvement of guidance and methods for the identification and assessment of PMT/vPvM substances

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#### LC-GD-8-1-2020: Innovative, systemic zeropollution solutions to protect health, environment and natural resources from persistent and mobile chemicals

- Type of Action: Research and Innovation Action (RIA)
- Very persistent and mobile chemicals
- Budget: 8-12 Mio € / project, 40 Mio € total
- Deadline: End of January 2021





 Better understanding of a persistent pollution problem



Remediation and detection technologies

Data for risk assessment



- Remediation technologies of contaminated soil and water
- New methods to measure chemicals in different media



 Environmental and human (bio)monitoring of persistent and mobile substances



Gather toxicity and toxico-kinetic information

 Develop best practices for the management of waste



#### References

- Circular Economy Action Plan
- Chemicals –strategy for sustainability (toxic–free EU environment)
- Emerging chemical risks in Europe 'PFAS'
- Risks to human health related to the presence of perfluoroalkyl substances in food



LC-GD-8-2-2020: Fostering regulatory science to address combined exposures to industrial chemicals and pharmaceuticals: from science to evidence-based policies

- Type of Action: Research and Innovation Action (RIA)
- Industrial chemicals and pharmaceuticals
- Budget: 4-6 Mio € / project, 20 Mio € total
- Deadline: End of January 2021



Identification of mixtures

solutions to reduce the most critical exposures



 More targeted and innovative risk assessment of mixtures of chemicals and pharmaceuticals



- Solutions to quantify and prevent the most harmful coexposures
- Solutions for the establishment of causality between coexposures and effects



- Targeted and non-targeted high-throughput technologies for screening, and advanced bioinformatics approaches
- Identification of lead components in mixtures



#### References

Chemicals –strategy for sustainability (toxic–free EU environment)

 Commission Communication on the EU strategic approach to pharmaceuticals in the environment

#### **Grant conditions**

- All monitoring data resulting from the projects data must be shared via Information Platform for Chemical Monitoring <u>IPCHEM</u>
- For human biomonitoring activities procedures and the network of reference laboratories established by <u>HBM4EU</u> should be used
- Dissemination obligations: contribute to the networking and experience sharing activities



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