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ABSTRACT

Numerous scientific investigations show that air inside office buildings and residences can be contaminated by a large variety of toxic contaminants, some in concentrations sufficient to adversely affect the health of those exposed. The internal building environment of new or recently remodeled buildings may be responsible for illnesses sometimes referred to as "tight building syndrome" or "sick building syndrome." This guide to the literature on indoor air pollution is not intended to be a comprehensive bibliography. It is designed to provide the reader with a set of resources that can be used to focus on the topic. The document lists the subject headings used by the Library of Congress in cataloging information on indoor air pollution. It also contains citations of materials categorized as: (1) brief introductions; (2) basic texts; (3) additional titles; (4) handbooks and encyclopedias; (5) other bibliographies; (6) conference proceedings; (7) government publications; (8) abstracting and indexing services; (9) journal articles; (10) technical reports; and (11) additional sources of information. (TW)

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SCOPE: Numerous scientific investigations show that air inside office buildings and residences can be contaminated by a large variety of toxic contaminants, some in concentrations sufficient to adversely affect the health of those exposed. Pollutants from indoor sources may include sidestream tobacco smoke, radon and radon decay products, mineral and vitreous fibers (e.g., asbestos), formaldehyde, combustion by-products (e.g., nitrogen dioxide, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide), aeropathogens (bacteria, viruses, fungi), allergens (molds, dust, danders) and pesticides.

The internal building environment of new or recently remodeled buildings may be responsible for illnesses sometimes referred to as "tight building syndrome" or "sick building syndrome." Building fabrics, tightness of the building due to energy conservation measures, or other aspects of design or remodeling may be implicated.

This guide does not include references to publications pertaining to air within buildings in which hazardous airborne substances may be expected due to industrial or commercial processes. Not intended to be a comprehensive bibliography, this guide is designed--as the name of the series implies--to put the reader "on target."

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OFFICES--HYGIENIC ASPECTS (Relevant)
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