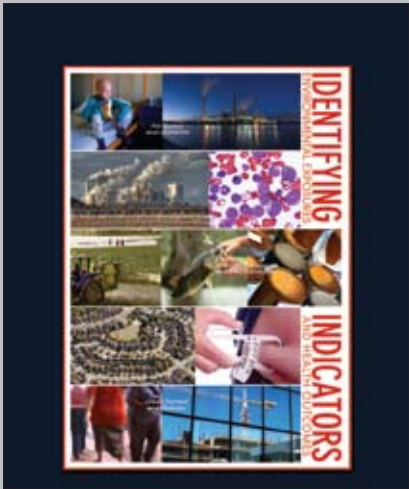


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Determining the relationship between exposure and outcome is a perennial public health challenge. One approach is to use existing data to identify temporal and geographic trends, as in the study reported by this month's feature article, "Tracking Health and the Environment: A Pilot Test of Environmental Public Health Indicators." The study developed three pairs of indicators based on environmental monitoring and public health tracking data. As illustrated in the photo collage on our cover, the three pairs of indicators were air toxics and leukemia, mercury emissions and fish advisories, and urban sprawl and obesity. The authors conclude, with some caveats, that such indicators can provide crucial guidance in the prioritization of public health interventions. (See page 9)

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