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International Scientists Find Harmful Effects from Wireless Technologies and Urge New Safety Rules for Cell Phones

Public health concerns and scientific evidence for risks from cell phones and other wireless devices is published today in the journal *Pathophysiology*. Research professor and Editor Martin Blank, PhD (Associate Professor, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons) says, "This special issue of *Pathophysiology* is about the human body's sensitivity to EMF signals in the environment, e.g., EMF effects on DNA, effects on the brain from cell phone radiation, and how EMFs in the environment may lead to Alzheimers disease, dementia and breast cancer. The scientific evidence tells us that our safety standards are inadequate, and that we must protect ourselves from exposure to EMF due to power lines, cell phones and the like."

International researchers have urged quick precautionary action to address a possible epidemic of brain tumors and many other health risks (www.biointiative.org/report/docs/section_17.pdf). Over four billion people around the world now use cell phones. They are rapidly eliminating the use of traditional land-line phones throughout the world. Health researchers from six countries give findings in fifteen (15) chapters covering health risks to humans and wildlife from electromagnetic fields and radiofrequency radiation. A summary of findings and quotes from authors is available at www.biointiative.org/press_release/index.htm

Wildlife biologist Alfonso Balmori, PhD of Valladolid, Spain reports that, "Electromagnetic radiation is a form of environmental pollution which may hurt wildlife. Phone masts located in their living areas are irradiating continuously some species that could suffer long-term effects, like reduction of their natural defenses, deterioration of their health, problems in reproduction and reduction of their useful territory through habitat deterioration. Therefore microwave and radiofrequency pollution constitutes a potential cause for the decline of animal populations and deterioration of health of plants living near phone masts."

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