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Christian Niederer, René P. Schwarzenbach, and Kai-Uwe Goss

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► Volatile Disinfection Byproduct Formation Resulting from Chlorination of Organic-Nitrogen Precursors in Swimming Pools

Jing Li and Ernest R. Blatchley, III

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Xu Zhao, Jiuhui Qu, Huijuan Liu, and Chun Hu

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Greatly Enhanced Arsenic Shoot Assimilation in Rice Leads to Elevated Grain Levels Compared to Wheat and Barley

Paul N. Williams, Antia Villada, Claire Deacon, Andrea Raab, Jordi Figuerola, Andrew J. Green, Jörg Feldmann, and Andrew A. Meharg

Despite physiological control of shoot-to-grain export of arsenic in rice, the shoot assimilation is appreciably higher than that in wheat and barley.

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Potential for Sea Otter Exposure to Remnants of Buried Oil from the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill

Paul D. Boehm, David S. Page, Jerry M. Neff, and Charles B. Johnson

Surveys indicate that buried oil residues from the *Exxon Valdez* oil spill are at locations and tide zones where they pose negligible risk to others.