NORMAN Workshop (Hybrid)

Artificial Intelligence (AI) for environmental monitoring, assessment and prioritisation of chemicals and their mixtures

Date: 21-22 October 2024 (CET)

Venue: Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research – UFZ, Kubus - Hall 1 Permoserstr. 15 - 04318 Leipzig, Germany

21 October 2024 – Day 1				
12h00 – 12h45	Registration and coffee			
12h45 – 13h00	Opening and Welcome (Werner Brack, Steering committee)			
13h00 – 15h00	Presentations on AI- based methods and use cases in support of environmental monitoring and assessment			
	13h00 – 13h15	ECHA /DG ENV/EU AI lab (EU perspective) representative		
	13h15 – 13h30	A small thought on combining expertise – a big step for Component- Based biodiversity impact assessments of chemical pollution? Leo Posthuma, RIVM, The Netherlands		
	13h30 – 13h45	The use of AI to predict chemical toxicity - Erik Kristiansson, Chalmers Univ. of Technology, Sweden		
	13h45 – 14h00	AI-driven Chemical-effect association with deepFPlearn, including enhanced credibility measures, graph neural networks, classification, and regression - Jana Schor, UFZ, Germany		
	14h00 – 14h15	First results from ML based toxicity prediction trial in NORMAN, Nikiforos Alygizakis - Environmental Institute, Slovakia		
	14h15 – 14h30	ML based methods to support quantification of suspect and non-target data - Anneli Kruve, Stockholm University, Sweden		
	14:30 – 14:45	Data Science approaches to uncover contamination sources from Rhine Monitoring Data - Teofana Chonova, Eawag, Switzerland		
15h00 – 15h30	Coffee break			
15h30 – 17h30	Presentations on AI- based methods and use cases in support of environmental monitoring and assessment			
	15h30 – 15h45	Chemical space mapping to model LCMS amenability predictions - Nate Charest, US EPA		
	15h45 – 16h00	Deep learning models to predict physico-chemical properties for risk assessment of chemicals - Nadin Ulrich, UFZ, Germany		

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19h30	Dinner together. Please indicate in the registration form if you wish to participate. Attendees will be responsible for covering the cost of the dinner.	
	17h00 – 17h15	Discussion (gathering input for discuss on the next day)
	16h45 – 17h00	Using innovative ML techniques to predict the risk of chemicals for multiple species - Reza Aalizadeh, NKUA, Greece and Peter von der Ohe, UBA, Germany
	16h30 – 16h45	Automated Curation of Spatial Data in Environmental Monitoring: Enhancing the NORMAN Chemical Occurrence Database for Big Data Analytics and AI Applications - Ilhan Mutlu, UFZ, Germany
	16h15 – 16h30	Al lab UBA (tbc)
	16h00 – 16h15	Probabilistic approaches to mapping the exposome chemical space - Saer Samanipour, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands

22 October 2024 – Day 2			
9h00 – 9h15	Welcome and distribution into discussion groups		
9h15 – 10h15	World café (3-5 tables around the following topics):		
	Toxicity & AI; HRMS & AI; Source tracking & AI (potentially part of HRMS); Chemical space & AI; Data curation/databases for AI		
	Important points to include in the discussion: Harmonisation, benchmarking, evaluation, needs, limitations		
10h15 – 10h45	Coffee break		
10h45 – 11h30	Feedback from the discussion groups (each rapporteur reports to the plenary the main outcomes of the discussions)		
	Discussion		
11h30 – 12h30	World café session (3 tables around the following topics):		
	- Fields of application of AI tools in NORMAN (upcoming NORMAN JPAs)		
	- Collaboration with additional experts/networks beyond NORMAN?		
	- NORMAN AI strategy (a new working group?)		
12h30 – 13h00	Feedback from the discussion groups (each rapporteur reports to the plenary the main outcomes of the discussions)		
	Discussion		
	Wrap-up and goodbye		
13h00 – 14h00	Lunch		