

# **Valutazione del rischio chimico**

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# **Valutazione della tossicità per la valutazione del rischio per la salute umana (RAoC cap.6)**

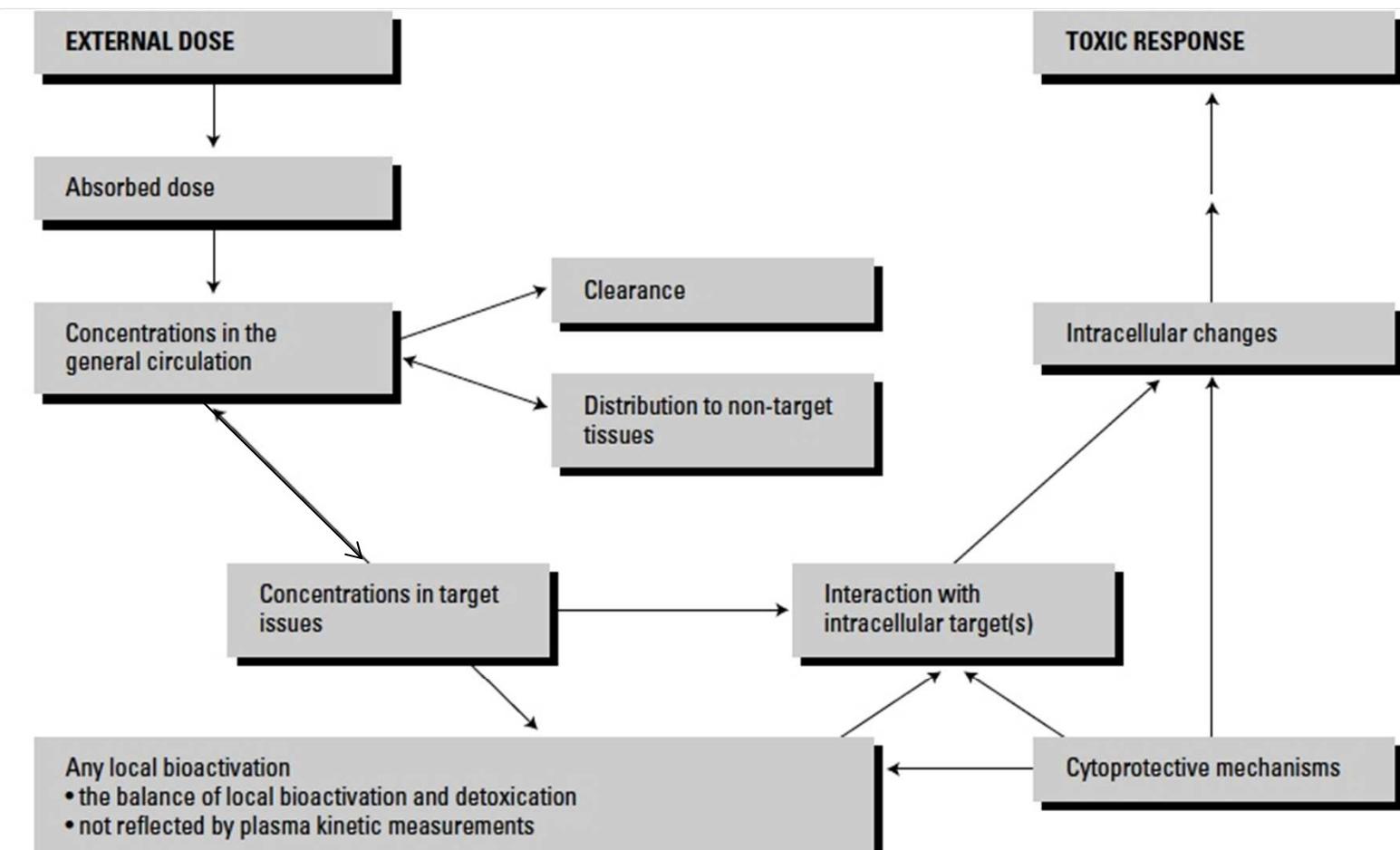


Figure 6.1. Processes leading to the generation of a toxic response [2].

Note: "Concentrations" refers to the relevant active form delivered by the general circulation and may be the parent compound<sup>2</sup> or an active metabolite produced in another tissue and delivered to the target tissue or organ

Table 6.1 Ranking of physiological and pathological effects in order of severity

Effect	Severity
Biochemical/haematological change with no pathological change and no change in organ weight; or a change in organ weight with no pathological and biochemical/haematological change	least severe
Biochemical/haematological change with no pathological change and with a change in organ weight	
Enzyme induction and subcellular proliferation or other changes in organelles but no other apparent effects	
Biochemical/haematological change with slight pathological changes	
Hyperplasia, hypertrophy or atrophy with change in organ weight	
Reversible cellular changes: cloudy swelling, hydropic change or fatty changes	
Necrosis, or metaplasia with no apparent reduction in organ functions; any neuropathy without apparent behavioral, sensory, or physiological changes	
Necrosis, atrophy, hypertrophy, or metaplasia with a detectable reduction in organ functions; any neuropathy with a measurable change in behavioral, sensory, or physiological activity; reduced body weight gain; clinical symptoms	
Necrosis, atrophy, hypertrophy, or metaplasia with definitive organ dysfunction; any neuropathy with gross changes in behavioral, sensory, or motor performance	
Pronounced pathological changes with severe organ dysfunction; any neuropathy with loss of behavioral or motor control or loss of sensory ability	
Death or pronounced life-shortening	most severe

valutazione di fisiologo o tossicologo esperto per stabilire se c'è "serio danno alla salute"

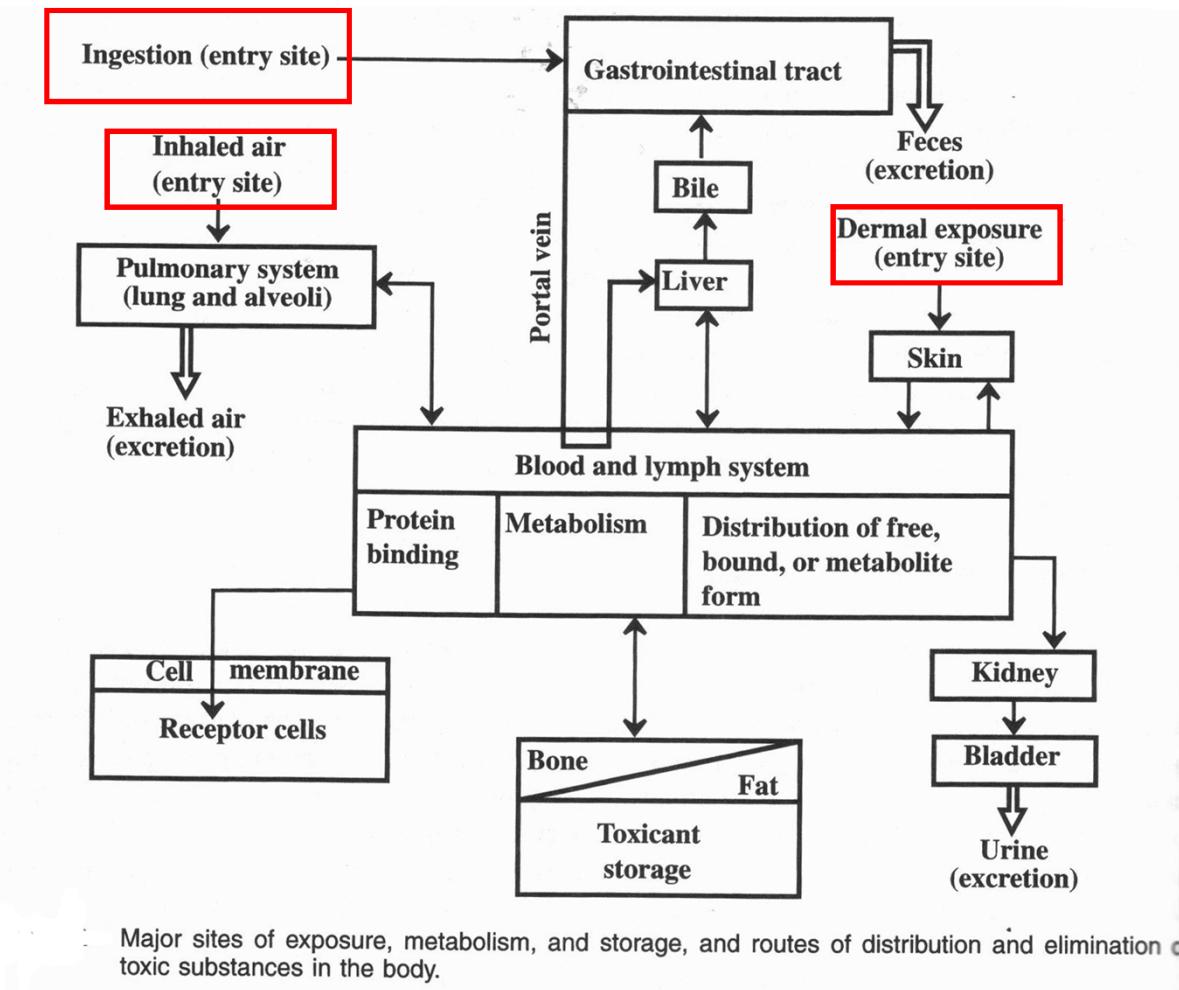
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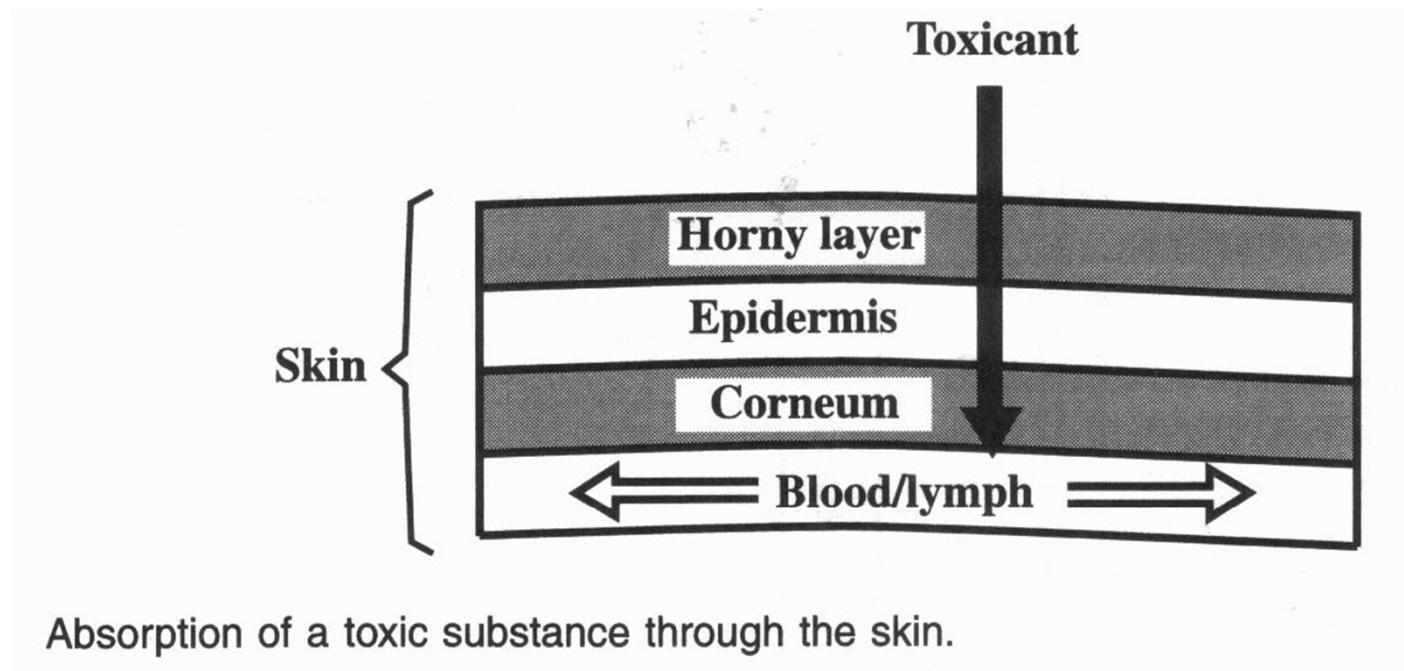
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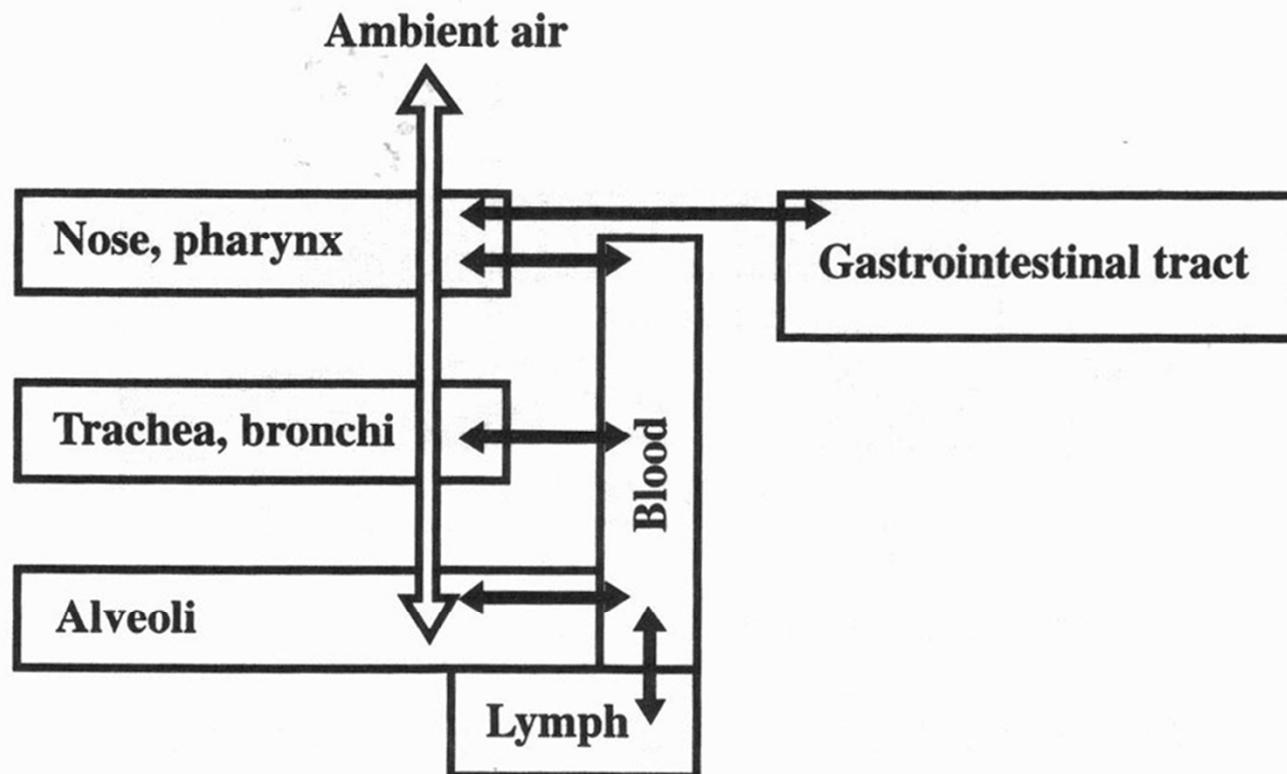
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Pathways of toxicants in the respiratory system.

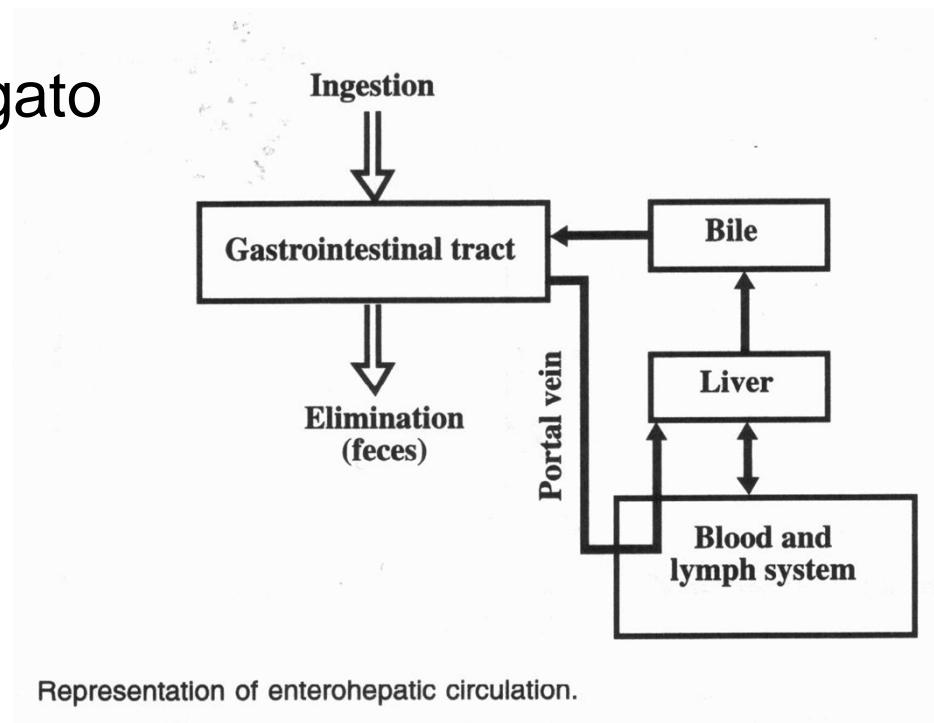
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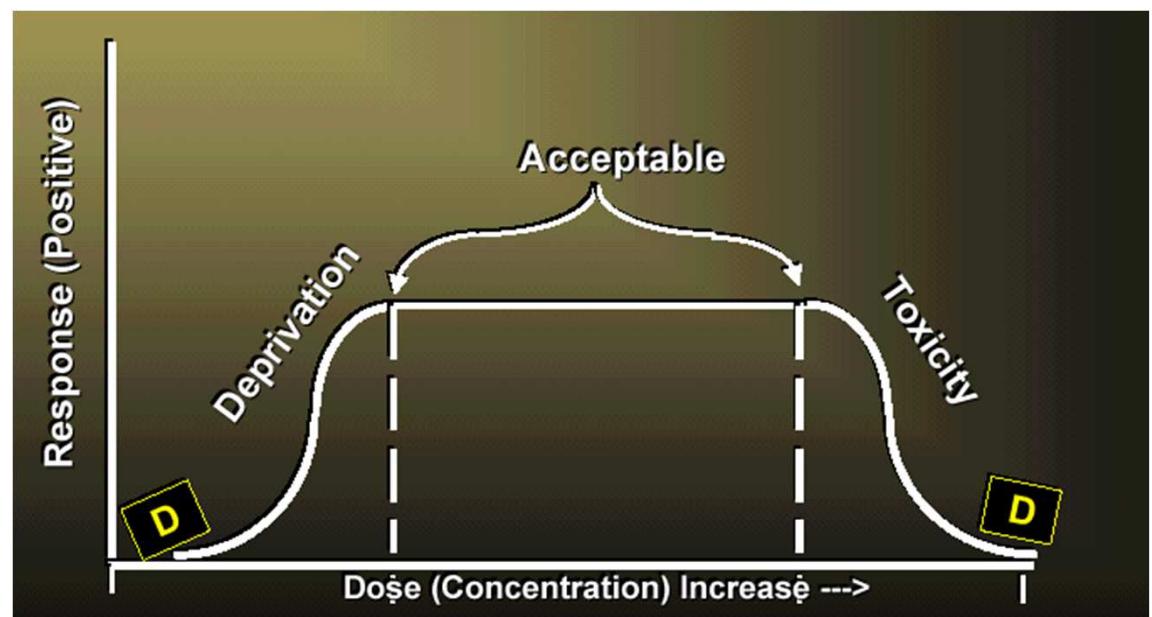
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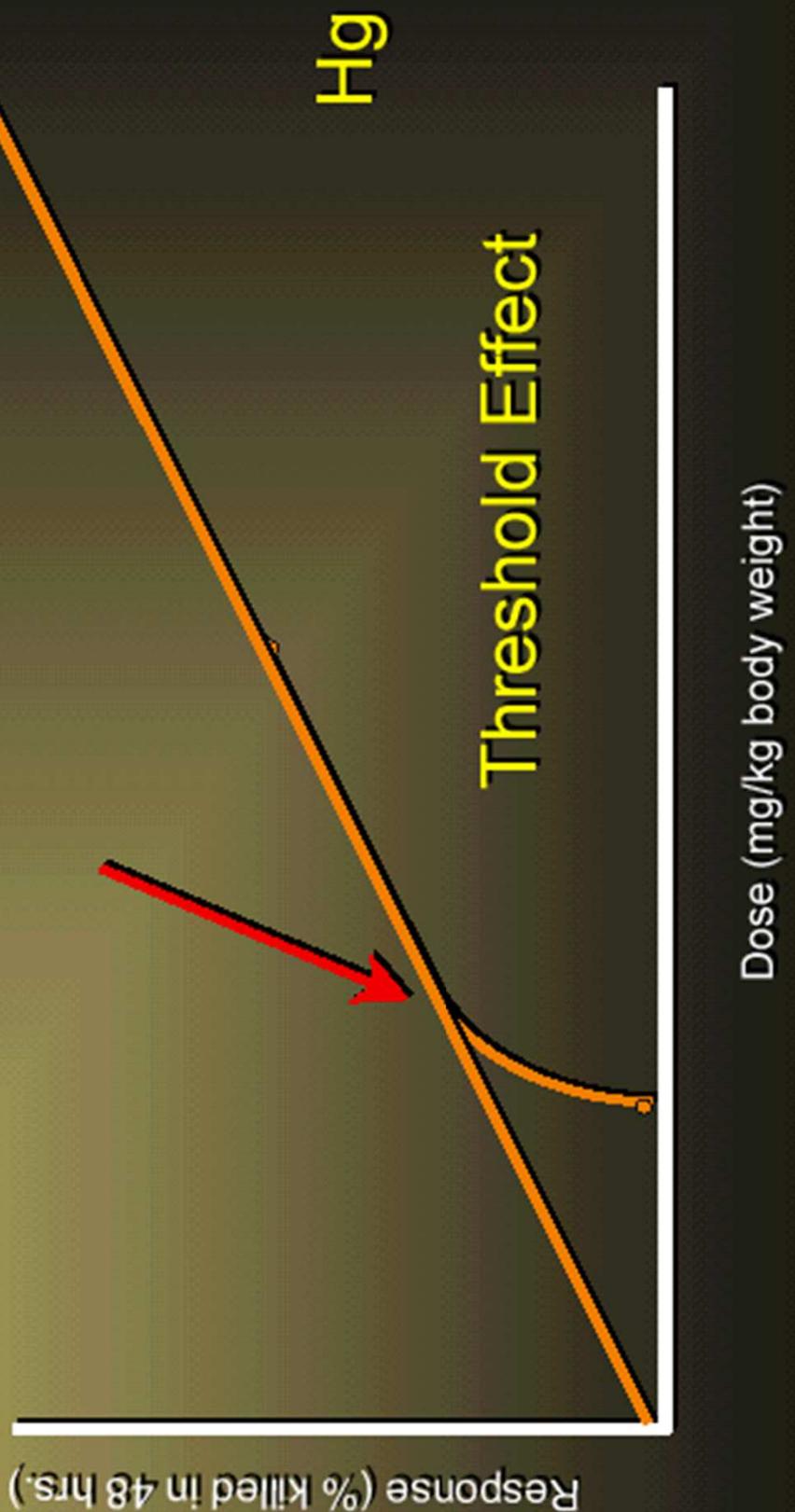
# Tossicologia – relazioni dose risposta

- a) Livello minimo d'effetto,
- b) sensibilità di organismo a incrementi di tossico e
- c) livelli per cui effetto definitivo (morte) accade per la maggior parte di organismi esposti.

Per nutrienti minerali esistono range ottimali



# Pieces of the Total Dose Response Curve



# Tossicologia – relazioni dose risposta

## Relazioni dose-risposta

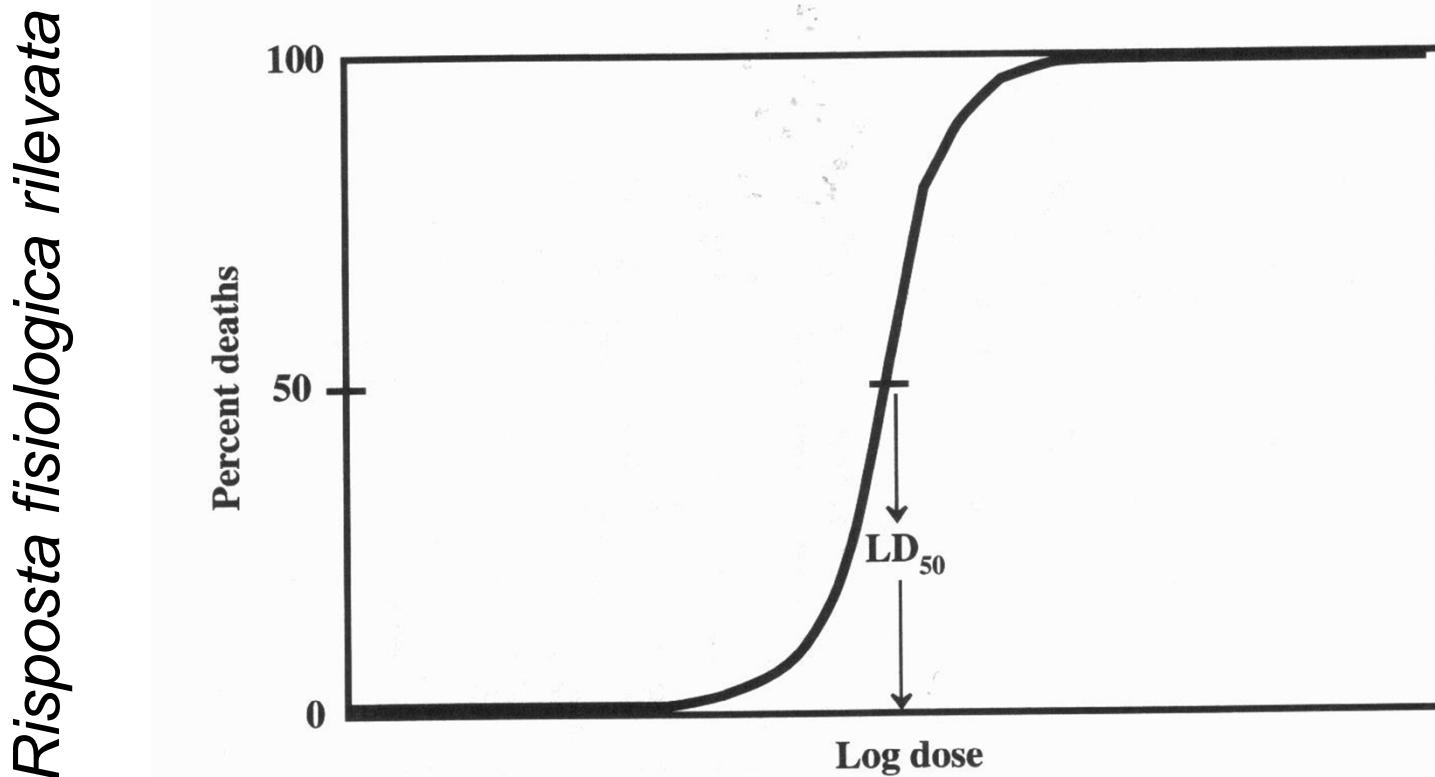


Illustration of a dose–response curve in which the response is the death of the organism. The cumulative percentage of deaths of organisms is plotted on the y axis. Although plotting log dose usually gives a better curve, with some toxic substances it is better to plot dose.

# Tossicologia – tossicità relative

## Effetti non letali

Table 6.1 Toxicity Scale with Example Substances<sup>a</sup>

Toxic Substance	Approximate LD <sub>50</sub>	Toxicity Rating
DEHP <sup>b</sup>	— → 10 <sup>5</sup>	1. Practically nontoxic, $> 1.5 \times 10^4$ mg/kg
Ethanol	— → 10 <sup>4</sup>	2. Slightly toxic 5 × 10 <sup>3</sup> – 1.5 × 10 <sup>4</sup> mg/kg
Sodium chloride	— → —	3. Moderately toxic 500–5000 mg/kg
Malathion	— → 10 <sup>3</sup>	4. Very toxic 50–500 mg/kg
Chlorane	— → —	
Heptachlor	— → 10 <sup>2</sup>	
Parathion	— → 10	5. Extremely toxic 5–50 mg/kg
TEPP <sup>c</sup>	— → 1	
Nicotine	— → —	
Tetrodotoxin <sup>d</sup>	— → 10 <sup>-1</sup>	
	— → 10 <sup>-2</sup>	6. Supertoxic $< 5$ mg/kg
TCDD <sup>e</sup>	— → 10 <sup>-3</sup>	
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Botulinus toxin	— → 10 <sup>-5</sup>	

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## Tossicità acuta



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# Tossicologia – tossicità relative

## paragone tra criteri di tossicità acuta

*La tossicità acuta si riferisce agli effetti avversi che si verificano in breve tempo (di solito entro 14 giorni) dopo la somministrazione di una singola dose (o esposizione a un determinato dose o concentrazione) di una sostanza di prova, o più dosi date entro 24 ore.*

*La DL50 è definita come l'espressione derivata statisticamente di una dose singola che si prevede sia letale per il 50% degli animali testati*

Table 6.3. Some criteria for the classification of chemicals on the basis of LD50 values from acute oral toxicity data expressed as mg/kg<sub>bw</sub>

	toxic 1	toxic 2	toxic 3	
<i>United Nations</i>				
Solids	< 5	< 50	< 500	
Liquids	< 5	< 50	< 2000	
<i>World Health Organization</i>	extremely hazardous	highly hazardous	moderately toxic	slightly toxic
Solids	< 5	< 50	< 500	< 5000
Liquids	< 20	< 200	< 2000	< 2000
<i>European Communities</i>	very toxic < 25	toxic < 200	harmful < 2000	
<i>USA</i>	supertoxic < 5	highly toxic < 50	very toxic < 500	moderately toxic < 5000
				slightly toxic < 15000

*Le  $DL_{50}$  hanno un valore limitato nell'esprimere i pericoli per l'uomo.*

*Questo è perché la morte a seguito dell'esposizione (ambientale) ad una sostanza tossica è un effetto irreversibile relativamente raro.*

*Maggiormente preoccupanti sono gli effetti subletali che sono spesso reversibili, come le allergie e difetti congeniti, o effetti che possono essere letali ma che non sono acuti come la cancerogenesi.*