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As more and more people become aware of this dangerous chemical, maybe, just maybe someone will take notice and pressure the government to do away with it.....When the environmentalist find a chemical that harms the birds (DDT, etc.) or any other animal, the government bans it, so it is time now to pressure the government to help the people from this chemical.

They are certainly looking for the pesticide that would cause endocrine disruption, such as diabetes, NHL,

But they didn't find it did they?

EPA had info that I saved, as it may not be there now ...
listing EGBE 2-butoxyethanol and 2-2-butoxyethanol as pesticides

They were among the 101 pesticides tested for endocrine disruption

Chemical companies are allowed to put these chemicals in various products (gun cleaners, too; jet fuel?) with only giving the warnings

So, why doesn't the USA find the real cause of the Vietnam Vets' Korean Vets' and 'gulf war syndrome vets' harm?

http://www.valdezlink.com/usa_hoodwinked.htm

Yes, I suspect it has harmed our military in every war period ... before WWII ... even something similar in WWI

What we call the flu

Just because a virus is found doesn't mean it's the cause of what ails you

I think it is a chemical poisoning

In gun cleaners? In jet fuel?

EGBE info & Valdez tank test are in the following

<http://www.valdezlink.com/pages/doctorssay-theydonotknow.htm#2-b>

<http://www.valdezlink.com/pages/tank-testing.htm#what>

Another contributing factor for heart attack ... is exposures people have to a commonly used chemical. It causes changes in lipid levels ... I suspect many vascular issues, too; things that are autoimmune. [Many things are autoimmune ...](#) AND endocrine disruption (It is a pesticide, solvent, poison, teratogen, diabetes, fatigue and tumor causing chemical

[Learn about 2-butoxyethanol ...](#) and AVOID it

Please pass this on to your doctor/s

[Why I learned about 2-butoxyethanol - Blood in urine & small-sized RBCs are clues to its harm](#)

I think they need to look at the assortment of ailments that those with CFS, FM & CFIDS have or consider this pattern of harm:

<http://www.valdezlink.com/pages/flunotflu.htm#is>

And ... the list of suspected harm to the Vietnam vet:

(To me it looks like the pattern of what 2-butoxyethanol would do ... down to and including brain tumors)

http://www.valdezlink.com/solvent_studies.htm

<http://home.gci.net/~blessings/pages/vietnam.htm>

<http://home.gci.net/~blessings/pages/korean.htm>

There is one chemical, that with overexposure, causes all of these:

It goes to the link that explains CFIDS, CFS ...

This would probably be a good link instead

<http://www.valdezlink.com/pages/doctorssay-theydonotknow.htm#2-b>

It explains what 2-butoxyethanol does from the Material Safety Data Sheets ...

Also make note ... that this chemical is in widespread use today.

AVOID it at all costs

Studies needed - what has happened to people already ... ?

Not this view:

<http://www.valdezlink.com/generic.htm#fed>

We need to see how Vietnam Vets & Korean Vets & WWII vets, & 'gulf war syndrome' vets ... & those in the public with CFIDS (or CFS, FM) are ALIKE

It would cause CFIDS symptoms .. things like this

<http://www.valdezlink.com/pages/flunotflu.htm#is>

It would never just cause ONE thing, if so, it's not EGBE

How to find it out

<http://www.valdezlink.com/pages/thebasics.htm>

Have people list out all the 'FLU' like symptoms they have had & what were they doing then

Look for blood in urine

Look for autoimmune hemolytic anemia

http://www.valdezlink.com/gwv/why_fatigue.htm

Look for red blood cells that are small-sized over time

<http://www.valdezlink.com/pages/foryourdoctor.htm#for>

Why Exxon chose a bad product

<http://www.valdezlink.com/evos/whybadproduct.htm>

The 2-butoxyethanol is the primary culprit for the CFIDS symptoms & much diabetes & cancer ... causes these things <http://www.valdezlink.com/acute.htm>

<http://www.valdezlink.com/re/likehostel.htm#is>

You see the same symptoms as it causes thyroid ailments.... they use the same list, etc

Track those with [these symptoms](#) to see if Chronic Fatigue Syndrome signs start showing up. This chemical I believe causes CFIDS, CFS, FM ...

[Many autoimmune things](#) may also start to appear for those ill;.

I had the same questions for the 18 year old college student who died a day after flu-like symptoms in May this year - also Iowa

<http://www.valdezlink.com/pages/meningitis-autoimmune.htm>

Could you tell me what was going on when the diarrhea illness started?

I may be able to identify possible exposures to this chemical.

Any fireworks?

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On 7/8/06, **Fraser Valley Coalition for Health and Environmental Justice** <_> wrote:

I am interested in what is known in regard to the whole Exxon Valdez cleanup matter.

My own research into what happened inland in British Columbia led me to your matter, and bioremediation compounds that no one wants to discuss.

Because I nearly died from what I was exposed to, and some of my pets did. Bioremediation experts tell me I should have died by now. I am not okay, but still going.

I am interested in specific bioremediation compounds. On the news out here prior to the cleanup there was talk of using an as yet untried method involving laboratory produced microorganisms. As it always seems to be with this topic, there will be one mention and you will not hear another word past that first one.

I note the symptoms list on your site. The same list would apply to toxins produced by certain microorganisms.

Have you looked into this possibility to explain the pattern?

Did orange sludge that grows microbial masses of varying colour show up anywhere where the cleanup took place near slow moving or still water?

I have been taking pictures of such a as yet unexplained phenomenon in several towns in and around the area where I live. I developed a symptoms specific health survey for my area, and most of the symptoms on your list are here. We have a high cancer rate here, a lot of liver and kidney problems, parkinsons like symptoms, lumps under the skin that are being called fat sacks, lymph problems, sweat gland problems, visual acuity problems, as well as the sores and ulcerations, and most of the lesser symptoms on your list plus more. One I did not see on your symptoms list that I would be curious about is burning tingling skin. It is one that greatly narrows the field of cause. Should that be on the list?

You can find a few articles about me on google.ca: look up

Kathy O'Lane.

I would like to know more, and may be able to share useful knowledge.

Regards,

Kathleen O'Lane

Another letter from someone with problems and it all points to 2-B

Dear margaret ,I hope you may be able to help me . I'm a relatively fit 35 year old artistic painter and singer from Canada. I've experienced 3 months of chest and throat pain , have been to 4 separate doctors , my GP a voice doctor and ENT who sold me speech pathology , a pulmonologist , an Internal medicine practitioner and a cardiologist none of whom were able to discover the reasoning for my ailments , I had a heart scan, have been on nexium in case of gerd for 2 months ,I've tried painkillers yet symptoms seem gradually worse and wider in range as time progresses. I initially thought I pulled a muscle in my chest from singing to loudly in an operatic style , though backtracking the symptoms were there long before but rather as a discomfort than a pain . The doctors waive off the fact that I have been very exposed to paint toxins

for the past 15-20 years as an artist from Benjamin Moore oil glazing liquid to krylon brand and various spray paints Moors recently changed their labeling on the glazing from generic to Poison . after which I've switched to a latex base. The doctors here seem to know or care little about volatile organic compounds and or what to do about them in the system . Ive been singing all my life with no problems until now as even when I speak my chest flares up with greater pain , and I get hoarse .I had my vocal folds checked via videostrobe and have been told that they are beautiful but surrounded by redness .When I mentioned the possibility of a chemical burn to the doctor , I was told that the painting is just an irritant and that it could cause no internal damage and in order to actually be poisoned by paint that I would have to have eaten the paint . I don't know what else I can possibly do to get better or how to rid my body of the poisons [if that's what it is] nor know of any doctor that specifically knows about the treatment of this awful ,painful , and debilitating condition . please consider and thank you kindly

God bless ,Painter - Singer

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This is the fallacy in thinking of researchers. Paint, even latex, has warnings about not ingesting paint, but that is not the exposure of the harmful component ... 2-butoxyethanol It is vapors in the eyes, and maybe they will find some information of interest here:

<http://www.valdezlink.com/pages/cushingsconversations.htm>

Is there blood in urine? Do you have (sometimes & then maybe it goes back to normal) ... autoimmune hemolytic anemia? Do you have fatigue? These symptoms? <http://www.valdezlink.com/pages/flunotflu.htm#is>

2-butoxyethanol (old name ethylene glycol monobutyl ether is in many products but not disclosed. EPA only requires that the warnings be there ... such as 'defats the skin' don't get in the water/streams

I think since it seems to be the autoimmune causing chemical, cause of much diabetes, the cause of CFS, FM, CFIDS ... that glyconutrients are on the forefront of help <http://www.valdezlink.com/pages/glyconutrient-intro.htm>

How did you find me?

Dear Margaret , I found you on a stumble in the tangled web under the research heading '**spray paint intoxication.**'

Thank you so much for your response , I feel lately that my prayers have all gone unanswered. Im having trouble thinking that if this is too far gone to treat , I may not get the chance to see my 3 small children even grow up

you mention glyconutrients . is there a specific type/brand which deals with my problem ? and there seems to be a school of thought out there about a juice fasting cleanse using biotta [beet base vegetable drink]-of the macrobiotic diet. do you know anything about this and would you recommend it prior to or with glyconutrients?

I've not detected any blood in my urine , I don't know about autoimmune hemolytic anemia - should my doctor know how to test for this? Fatigue has been present for many years though I am always one to fight it and try to keep a vigorous schedule .I have many of the other symptoms also as regards the burning eyes and the memory challenge , depression , etc ... though what hurts me most is that I can no longer sing without pain as I am an emerging gospel singer with an uphill now promising future .

I will never forget your kindness , please keep in touch and remember me in your prayers , In Christ ,

Good nutrition and glyconutrients would be the best help ... & no, things should not be too far gone. I would wear airtight goggles whenever around the paint fumes, however,

Try not to get more exposure.

I'm working on a web page for you ...

Is this OK??

<http://www.valdezlink.com/pages/artisticpainter.htm>

I would go over the list of [chronic fatigue symptoms](#)

& share what ones you have with the doctors

Also ... when you had unexplained diarrhea or 'flu-like symptoms

and what was going on then?

I'm going to ask a couple of doctors to give their input to your doctors if you think there is one of them interested

Or if they share something with me ... I will pass it on

Several companies are working with glyconutrients ...

but I believe Mannatech is a good choice

<http://www.valdezlink.com/pages/become-mannatech-assoc.htm>

You were really looking ... I found these, but not easily

Solvent-induced Neurotoxicity

Nineteen of the 42 are from the panelbeating and **spray** painting industry - by far the largest ... feelings of intoxication at the end of the day, tiredness, ...

www.valdezlink.com/inipol/pages/neurotoxicity.htm [Found on Google, MSN Search, Yahoo! Search]

Concise International Chemical Assessment Doc on 2- Butoxyethanol ...

... such as **spray** lacquers, quick-dry lacquers, enamels, varnishes, ...
nombre de cas d'intoxication de même que les résultats d'une étude en laboratoire, ...

www.valdezlink.com/inipol/pages/cica.htm

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Study Needed

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