



Yellow's Green Corner:

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

Over four billion people around the world now use cell phones. Since we reported on this several months ago, the concerns have been mounting and health researchers from six countries have submitted their findings of the health effects of cell phones in a recently published report containing fifteen chapters covering health risks to humans and wildlife from electromagnetic fields and radiofrequency radiation. A summary of findings and quotes from the authors is available at: www.bioinitiative.org/press_release/index.htm.

International researchers have urged quick precautionary action to address a possible epidemic of brain tumors. As public health concerns and scientific evidence for risks from cell phones and other wireless devices increase, another article is published this month 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 Alzheimer's disease, dementia and breast cancer. The report concludes that 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." other health risks www.bioinitiative.org/report/docs/section_17.pdf.

Also, this month, 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."