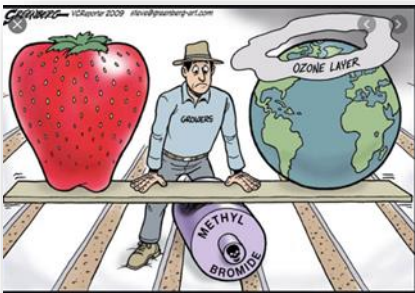


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What is methyl bromide poisoning?

Methyl bromide poisoning primarily occurs after inhalational exposure, but concurrent dermal exposure might also occur. Methyl bromide is an ocular, dermal, and mucous membrane irritant. Onset of symptoms might be delayed 1 to 48 hours. ... Severe poisoning can result in seizures, coma, and death.

What products contain methyl bromide?

Methyl bromide gas is pumped into food storage units to kill a certain mite. It is also used in the food processing of rice, pet food, walnuts, plums, figs, raisin, dates and dried pork products to keep pest infestations down.

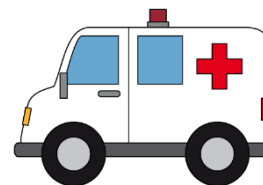
What does methyl bromide do to humans?

Methyl bromide is highly toxic. Studies in **humans** indicate that the lung may be severely injured by the acute (short-term) inhalation of **methyl bromide**. Acute and chronic (long-term) inhalation of **methyl bromide** can lead to neurological effects in **humans**. Neurological effects have also been reported in animals.

There is no specific antidote to methyl bromide poisoning. Treatment is supportive



IF YOU SUSPECT METHYL BROMIDE POISONING TAKE THE PERSON TO HOSPITAL IMMEDIATELY!



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