

Scientists speak up about dangerous radiation

Top minds have **urged governments and industry to rethink** “safe” levels

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hen it comes to new technologies, food and medicine, there's always a tug of war going on between manufacturers of the products and the scientists who study their safety. Caught in the middle are governments who often don't know whom to believe, as well as the wider public, who suffer the consequences if everyone gets it wrong. Electromagnetic field (EMF) radiation, emitted by anything from cellphone towers to baby monitors, is a classic example. Lately, though, it seems as though science is steadily gaining ground.

GREAT MINDS

In November 2009, shortly before we published our own exposé on radiation dangers in our second edition, a scientific panel met in Seletun, Norway.¹ These scientists sat down to review and discuss all the evidence that could indicate whether the EMF radiation levels experienced by most Westerners in towns and cities today are really safe.

It turns out they're not. The panel's findings were published only last year in the journal *Reviews on Environmental Health*.² And here's the real shocker: they stipulated that the levels of EMF radiation we're *currently* experiencing are already harming our unborn babies and children, to the point that governments should halt any further roll-out of wireless technologies.



WORDS OF WISDOM

When the world's leading scientists speak up, it's best to listen to their warnings:

“Current US and International Commission on Non-ionizing Radiation Protection standards are entirely inadequate” – Prof Olle Johansson, Department of Neuroscience, Karolinska Institute and the Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden.

“We are already seeing increases in health problems such as cancer and neurobehavioural impairments” – Prof Elihu Richter, Unit of Environmental Medicine, Hebrew University, Hadassah School of Medicine, Jerusalem, Israel.

“Pregnant women and children of all ages should avoid using cell and cordless phones” – Prof Yuri Grigoriev, Doctor of Medical Science, Chairman of the Russian National Committee on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection, Moscow, Russian Federation.

“WiFi/wLAN routers, cordless phones and other wireless devices like baby monitors produce radio frequency emissions that will affect millions of people and babies in their homes, and should be halted” – Prof Lukas Margaritis, Department of Cell Biology and Biophysics, Faculty of Biology, University of Athens, Athens, Greece.

Perhaps it's time we also make our own voices heard and urge our government to listen up about our safety. **HQ**

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Do you have any of these symptoms?

Rashes, itching and burning skin, headaches, dizziness, short-term memory loss, chronic fatigue, sinusitis, tinnitus, disrupted sleep patterns, sudden weight loss or increase, painful kidneys, impaired liver function, heart palpitations, shooting muscular pains in arms, neck or legs, ongoing gastric disturbances, altered sugar metabolism, swollen lymph nodes and suppressed immune system.



You may be sensitive to one or more frequencies in your environment from cell phones, telecommunication masts, wifi, wimax or wireless telephone systems.

Dr Robert O. Becker, twice nominated for the Nobel Prize said, *“I have no doubt in my mind that at the present time, the greatest polluting element in the earth's environment is the proliferation of electromagnetic fields. I consider that to be far greater on a global scale, than warming, and the increase in chemical elements in the environment.”*

The Electromagnetic Radiation Research Foundation of South Africa was formed to educate and create an awareness of the impact of microwave radiation on our health and environment.

Find out more and how you can reduce your exposure for yourself and your children, who are especially susceptible on www.emrrfsa.org

“Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about the things that matter.”
- Martin Luther King Junior

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