

# BÖLÜM 14

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## GIDA KATKI MADDELERİ VE KİMYASAL KALINTILARIN GIDA GÜVENLİĞİ ACISINDAN ÖNEMİ

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### 1. Giriş

Çevresel kirletici unsurlar, gıda proseslerinde oluşan bulaşlar, taklit ve taşışırular, gıda katkı maddeleri ile ambalaj malzemelerinden kaynaklanan migrasyonlar gıdaların kimyasal ajanlarla kontaminasyonunda önemli rol oynamaktadır. Çevresel kirleticiler, ya insanlar tarafından oluşturulan (antropojenik) ya da su, hava ve toprakta doğal olarak oluşan tehlikeli safsızlıklardır. Zehirli Maddeler ve Hastalık Kayıt Ajansı (ATSDR/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry) tarafından sıkılıkları, toksisiteleri ve insanların maruz kalma potansiyellerine dayanarak 275 öncelikli kimyasal, kirleticiler olarak listelenmiştir (1). Ancak, çevredeki yeni veya “bilinmeyen” kimyasalları takip etmedeki zorluklar göz önüne alındığında, bunun önemli ölçüde eksik bir tahmin olduğu düşünülmektedir. Bilim insanları, bu belirsizliğin üstesinden gelmek ve gelecekteki sorunları önceden tahmin etmek amacıyla henüz düzenlenmesi gereken “gelişmekte olan kirletici maddeleri” tanımlamaya çalışmaktadır. Tehlikeli kimyasal kirleticilerin ve bunların karışımlarının emisyonu, dağılması ve maruziyeti genellikle sporadik olup zaman veya mekanla sınırlı değildir. Havadaki parçacıklar, gazlar ve aerosoller, suda asılı kalan parçacıklar ve çözünmüş kirleticilerin küresel göçlerine dair ikna edici önemli kanıtlar bulunmaktadır. Nano ve mikro ölçekli sentetik

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ve biyobirikimli toksik maddelerin gıda kontaminasyonuna neden olmasını önlemek için gıdalar yanında ayrıca tüm çevre bileşenlerinin de sürekli izlenmesi gerekmektedir. Bilim camiası ile çeşitli tüketici grupları arasında toksikolojik çalışmalar ve toksik seviyelerle ilgili tartışmalar hala güncelliğini korumaktadır. Birçok faktör nedeniyle gıda endüstrisinde kimyasal toksisite araştırmaları çok büyük önem taşımaktadır. Bu nedenle titiz toksikolojik çalışmalarla kimyasal kontaminasyon tür ve yoğunluğunun sürekli araştırılması ve bu araştırmaların ilgili/yetkili birimler tarafından desteklenmesi gerekmektedir. Böylece gıda endüstrisi tarafından sunulan gıda ürünlerinde kalitenin artırılması ve nihai olarak da halkın sağlığının korunması yanında yetkili otoriteler için de geleceğe dönük projeksiyon ve yasal düzenlemelere yönelik faydalı veriler sunacaktır.

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