

Title of Chapter in Book: Pesticide

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Abstract: A pesticide is a material used for the mitigation, control, or elimination of plants or animals detrimental to human health or economy. Specifically, a pesticide is a chemical—liquid, granule, or gas—used to kill or control pests such as insects, weeds, bacteria, fungi, rodents, and worms. Pesticides play significant roles in increasing food production and eliminating diseases. However, only a few environmental issues have aroused the concern of the public as much as pesticides because exposure to them can be harmful to humans.