

5.017 Development of National Land Use Regression Model and Estimation of PM_{2.5}-related Premature Deaths in China.

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Abstract:

Accurate estimation of PM_{2.5} related mortality is important but previous studies showed diverse results mainly caused by different selections of methods for PM_{2.5} exposure assessment. National Land Use Regression (LUR) model can predict long-term air pollution exposure at finer spatial scale over large geographic area but it has not yet been reported in China. In this study, we utilized PM_{2.5} data from Chinese national monitoring network and several classes of predictor factors to develop a national LUR model and generate Chinese PM_{2.5} exposure mapping in 2013-2015 at the resolution of 1km×1km. Our model has relatively better performance with cross-validation R² 0.70 than other national LUR for PM_{2.5} due to extensive monitoring network and wide selection of predictor variables. Population-weight concentration in China declined from 72.52 µg/m³ in 2013 to 57.18 µg/m³ in 2015.

C-R function is also another important progress in healthy effect assessment. Most previous studies used IER function which could yeild sensible results in the risk analysis over the range of concentrations that prevail in China. In this study, we adopted a new SCHIF function developed from a national cohort of 189,793 Chinese men to estimate the PM_{2.5}-related premature deaths in China. Results shows that almost 2.19 million (2013), 1.94 million (2013), 1.65 million (2014) premature deaths were attributable to PM_{2.5} long-term exposure and the propotion for specific disease is 53.2% for stroke, 20.5% for ischemic heart disease, 16.8% for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and 9.5% for lung cancer. We also adopted IER function and the comparison indicates IER obviously underestimates the PM_{2.5} related premature deaths, especially in high concentration interval. Our study take advantage of national LUR-based PM_{2.5} exposure at fine

resolution and Chinese cohort-based C-R function to renew the health burden attributable to PM_{2.5} in China.