Table 3: In vitro effect of pollutants on human chondrocyte.

Author	Type of chondrocyte	Type of pollutant	evaluation	Main Results
and year		Duration of incubation		
of publication		mousulon		
Pascarelli 2013 33	Cultured OA chondrocyte	Gold and silver nanoparticules	Cell viability, inductible NO synthase expression	Cell viability : Significant dose-dependent toxic effect
	From femoral heads of 6 OA patients (arthroplasty)	Incubation for 24 hours		Gold : r = - 0.89
				Silver : r = - 0.96
				P<0.001
				Survival cells for concentration of 250 μM : silver 10%, gold 30%, control 80%
				Increased presence of inductible NO synthase expression
				Increased expression of MMP1, MMP3, MMP13, ADAMTS 4 and 5
Abella 2015 ³⁴	Cultured immortalized human juvenile costal chondrocyte	Non-dioxin PCB Incubation for 24 and 48 hours	Cell viability (MTT), LDH, p38MAPK, Bax, Bcl2, caspase 3, MDA, oxidative stress index	Strong reduction of cell viability in a concentration dependent manner
				Survival cells for concentration of $10\mu M$: 50-75% according to PCB subtypes after 24h incubation; 37-63% after 48h
				Necrosis : LDH augmentation

				Apoptosis : p38MAPK phosphorylation, decreased expression of Bax and Bcl2, caspase 3 activation Oxidative stress : Increased oxidative stress index and MDA levels
Wang 2010 ²⁴	-Cultured OA chondrocyte rom knee OA (arthroplasty), - cultured chondrosarcoma cell	BPA	Cell viability, inductible N synthase expression	NO - on OA chondrocyte: little effect on NO production and no effect on cell viability - on human chondrocyte: reversed the effect of estrogen on suppressing IL1β dependent MMP1 and NF-KB expression - on chondrosarcoma cells: reduces NO production and cell viability Survival cells for concentration of 100μM: 30%
Peng 1992 ³⁵	Cultured human embryonic chondrocyte	Fluvic acid Incubation for days	peroxidation, free radicals	oid Deformation of cell (fragmental, protuberances) Increased lipid peroxidation

OA: osteoarthritis, PCB: polychlorinated biphenyls, MTT: methyl-thiazolyl-tetrazolium, LDH: lactate dehydrogenase, MDA: malondialdehyde, NO: nitric oxide, BPA: bisphenol A, IL1β: interleukine 1 beta, MMP: matrix mettaloproteinase, Bax: Bcl2 associated x protein, Bcl2: B cell lymphoma 2, MAPK: Mitogen-activated protein kinases.