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RESEARCH

Interests	Environmental Chemistry
Areas	Health, Toxicology and Mutagenesis · Pollution · Water Science and Technology · Analytical Chemistry · Environmental Chemistry · Mechanical Engineering

RESEARCH SUMMARY

36	509	11	12	0.84	8%
Publications	Citations	h-index	i10-index	Field-weighted impact	World top 10%

Counted from the 36 publications listed below, 2006–2026. Field-weighted impact is the mean over the 25 works scored for it; 1.00 is the world average for works of the same field, type and year. 2 of the 25 papers scored for it are among the world's most cited tenth for their field, type and year.

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