## Gulf of Mexico, Pollution and Environmental Impact: Diagnosis and Trends

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Oil reserves, seafood industries and industrial development in the Gulf bring to Mexico tremendous economic benefits. Regulation of the economic activities in the Gulf of Mexico, protection of its resources and encouragement of sustainable development are necessary to maintain the productivity for the gulf and to insure its resources are used for maximum long term benefit. These are objectives behind the EPOMEX Scientific Series monograph "Gulf of Mexico," Pollution and Environmental Impact: Diagnosis and Trends" with contributions from fifty-six research from twenty-five participating institutions. This project will integrate and analyze existing information, formulate diagnosis and establish future research priorities. Topics include: critical pollutants such as Pesticides, Hydrocarbons, Microbiological Contamination, Atmospheric Pollution, Environment Impact, Regulations and Integrated Diagnosis.