Climate - Air Quality - Health: 
an (un)desirable nexus of causality for Man? 
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Abstract

Innumerable evidence exists of the degradation of the quality of life and of an increase in some respiratory and allergic pathologies caused by the urban modus vivendi.

In this paper we will seek to demonstrate the existence of a close relationship between the number of acute asthma cases in children under 10, and the periods when the "urban heat-island" in Oporto was more intense and the changes in the chemical composition of urban atmosphere suffered greater alterations.