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Fungal poisons: A look at the dark side of mushrooms and fungi



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In this presentation, we explore the role of toxic fungi today and in history. Mushroom toxins and mycotoxins are a diverse group of poisonous substances. We will take a look at their structure and toxicology and how they affect body and mind if they are mistakenly eaten. Knowledge of specific mushroom toxins is crucial if medical intervention is required after an accidental mushroom poisoning. We will discuss some of the poisonous mushrooms that you might find in Alberta and how to avoid them (Sorry, this time we will skip the mushroom cooking and tasting part).

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