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***A Question for Women's Health: Chemicals in Feminine Hygiene Products and Personal Lubricants***

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Mucous membranes in the vagina and vulva rapidly absorb chemicals without metabolizing them. But until recently, scant research existed on how chemicals in feminine hygiene products and personal lubricants may affect women's health. With new findings emerging in this largely overlooked research area, several researchers and interest groups are calling for more research to fill in the data gaps.

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For decades, pathologists have diagnosed nonneoplastic lesions and other tissue findings by matching what they see under the microscope with a picture in a textbook or journal. A new website hosted by the National Toxicology Program is bringing that process into the digital age and promises to significantly improve the ability of researchers to evaluate noncancer findings in animal studies.

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