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Heat in Urban Areas

Dr. Jennifer Vanos, CSC faculty member and Assistant Professor of Atmospheric Science, recently co-authored a study that looked at the relationship between neighborhood tree canopy cover and heat-related ambulance calls during extreme heat events in Toronto, Canada. Heat intensity is predicted to increase in cities and is worse in urban landscapes compared to rural. This study looked at extreme heat events in 544 neighborhoods in Canada. The study found that the number of heat related ambulance calls were negatively correlated to canopy cover and positively correlated to hard surface cover. These results are important because heat events are likely to increase due to climate change. Click learn more to read the full article. LEARN MORE





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