

Video: The world's most unavoidable carcinogen

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Credit: The American Chemical Society

When we go outside, we expose ourselves to the most common carcinogen of all: ultraviolet (UV) rays in sunlight. Most of us know we should apply sunscreen to protect our skin, but some of us forget and suffer a flaky, irritated sunburn in return.

In this week's Reactions, we highlight the chemistry behind UV

radiation, melanin and sunburns.

See the video here:

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