Study: 73 percent of sunscreens don't work

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If you're spending hours in the sun this summer, sunscreen is a must. But according to a report, nearly three quarters of all sunscreen products on the market don't actually work or could potentially cause more harm.

For their 11th annual sunscreen guide, researchers at the nonprofit Environmental Working Group evaluated the UV-ray protections, toxic ingredients and other health hazards in approximately 900 sunscreens, 500 SPF-labeled moisturizers and more than 100 lip products.

The group found 73 percent of the 880 tested sunscreens either contained "worrisome" ingredients or didn't work as well as advertised.

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