The Changing Tobacco Landscape: Implications for Women and Girls

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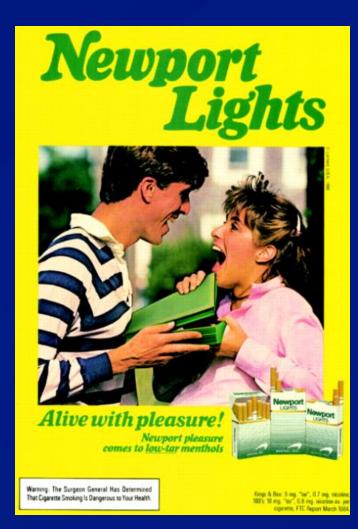
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## Outline

- The changing product landscape
- Patterns of tobacco use
- Industry strategies
- Health effects (pregnancy)
- Perceptions of emerging products
- Future directions



# Burden of Disease from Cigarette Smoking

### Globally

- Smokers worldwide: 1.1 billion (increasing)
- Accounts for 7.7 million deaths and 200 million disability adjusted life years

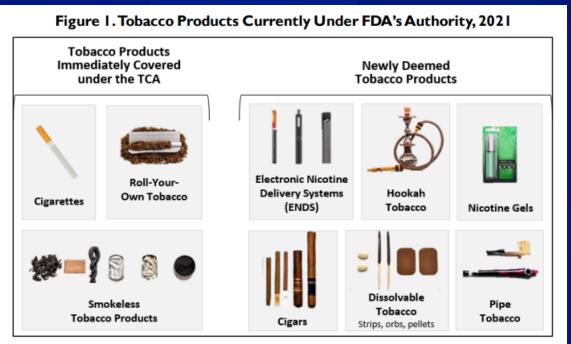
### United States

- 13.1% of adult men smoke
- 10.1% of adult women smoke
- > 200,000 women and 270,000 men die annually from smokingrelated disease
- More female smokers than male die from CVD (>35 yo), COPD
- E-cigarette use in female youth now exceeds that in male youth

### Unique health effects in women and girls

https://www.thelancet.com/action/showPdf?pii=S0140-6736%2821%2901169-7 Cornelius ME, Loretan CG, Jamal A, et al. <u>Tobacco Product Use Among Adults — United States, 2021</u>. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep 2023;72:475–483.

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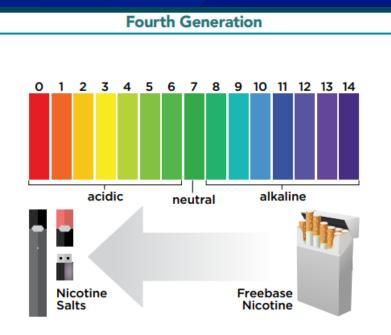
KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

**Source:** Prepared by CRS with images of smokeless tobacco products, ENDS, cigars, nicotine gels, dissolvable tobacco, and pipe tobacco from FDA's website. Images of cigarettes, roll-your-own tobacco, and hookah tobacco are from Shutterstock.

Notes: Some dissolvable tobacco products can be classified as smokeless tobacco products.

https://www.everycrsreport.com/files/20190813\_R45867\_b21e213126 430b85ccc2b9ee998442f6e7f0b67a.html#Content

# **Changing Products: E-cigarettes**



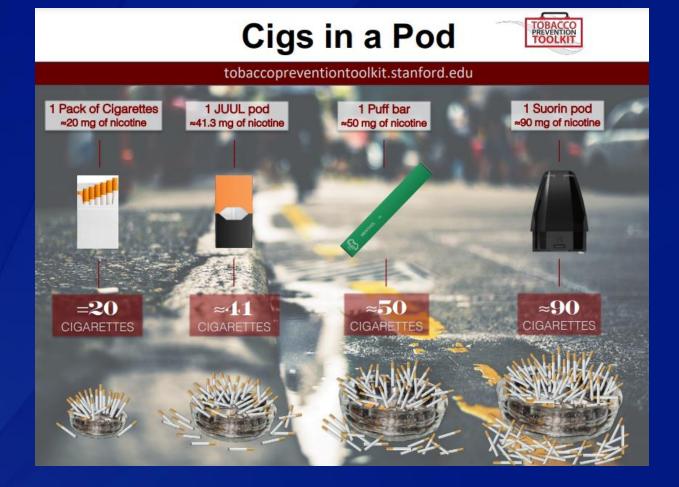
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#### Pod Mods

- Pod Mods typically use nicotine salts rather than the freebase nicotine used in most other e-cigarette, or vaping, products.
- Nicotine salts, which have a lower pH than free base nicotine, allow
  particularly high levels of nicotine to be inhaled more easily and with less
  irritation to the throat than freebase nicotine.

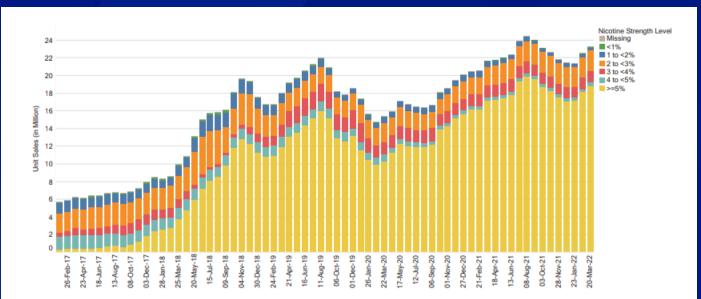
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# **Changing Products**



 https://med.stanford.edu/tobaccopreventiontoolkit/curriculum-decision-maker/bymodule/E-Cigs.html

## Trends in US E-cigarette Unit Sales by Nicotine Strength 2017-2022



**Figure 1.** Total e-cigarette unit sales<sup>a</sup> by nicotine strength<sup>b</sup>, United States<sup>c</sup>, 2017–2022<sup>d</sup>.<sup>a</sup>Retail sales data were obtained from Information Resources, Inc (IRI) for convenience stores, gas stations, grocery stores, drugstores/pharmacies, mass merchandiser outlets, club stores, dollar stores, and military sales; data from the Internet and vape shops were not collected. Unit sales were summed in 4-week periods. To account for variations in product type when summing unit sales, all units were standardized to reflect the most common package size: a standardized unit was equal to: Five prefilled cartridges/pods; one disposable device; or one e-liquid bottle.<sup>b</sup>Nicotine strength information was available in the data for 92.6% of the Universal Product Codes. Products with missing nicotine strength (7.4%) were searched online and identified. Nicotine strength level was categorized into five mutually exclusive categories: <1%; 1% to <2%; 2% to <3%; 3% to <4%; 4% to <5%; ≥5%.<sup>c</sup>Data were included from the 48 continental states (excluding Alaska and Hawaii) and Washington, DC.<sup>d</sup>Each bar in the figure represents a 4-week aggregate interval.

Fatma Romeh M Ali, Elizabeth L Seaman, Elisha Crane, et al. Trends in US E-cigarette Sales and Prices by Nicotine Strength, Overall and by Product and Flavor Type, 2017–2022, *Nicotine & Tobacco Research*, Volume 25, Issue 5, May 2023, Pages 1052–1056.

### US Prevalence of Tobacco Use or Vaping 2021

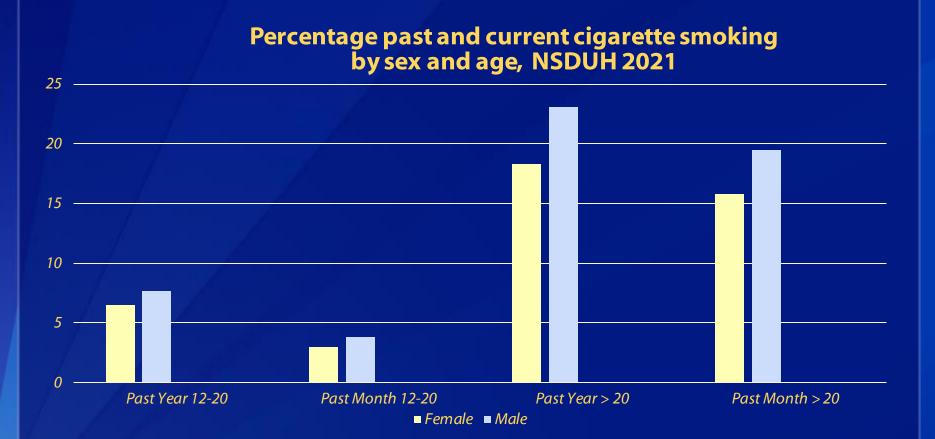
Percentage past and current tobacco use or vaping by sex and age, NSDUH 2021



■ Female ■ Male

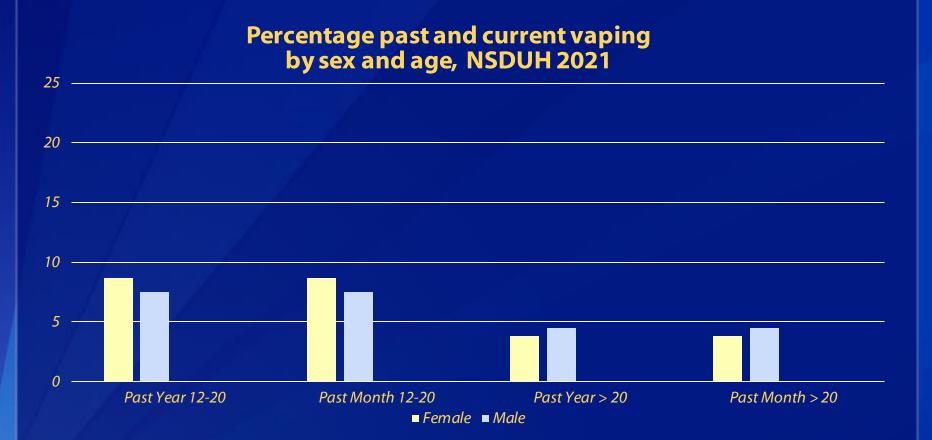
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### **US Prevalence of Cigarette Smoking 2021**



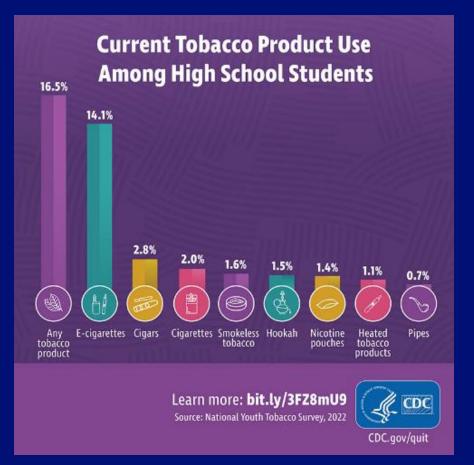
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### **US Prevalence of Nicotine Vaping 2021**



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### Youth Tobacco Use NYTS 2022

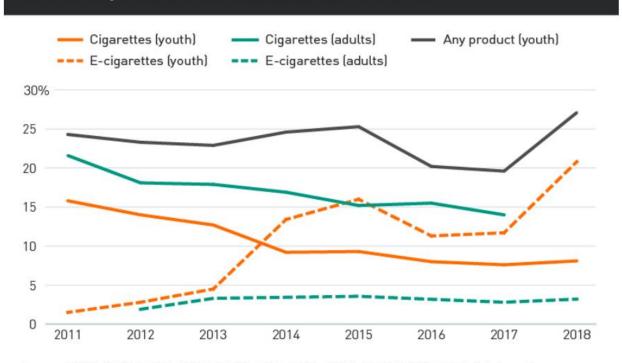


\*"Current use" is determined by respondents indicating that they have used a tobacco product on at least 1 day during the past 30 days.

In 2022, "any tobacco product" includes electronic cigarettes, cigarettes, cigars, smokeless tobacco (including chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, snus, and dissolvable tobacco), pipe tobacco, bidis, hookah, heated tobacco products, and nicotine pouches.

### Trends in Tobacco Use 2011-2018

#### Trends in youth and adult tobacco use over time



Source: NHIS (2011-2017), NATS (2012, 2013, 2015, 2017); YRBS (2011-2018); Adult e-cigarette use estimate for 2018 derived from Truth Initiative. Preliminary analysis of 2018 NHIS data.

https://truthinitiative.org/research-resources/tobacco-industrymarketing/spinning-new-tobacco-industry-how-big-tobacco-trying

### Women Who Smoke in Pregnancy are Less Likely to Disclose

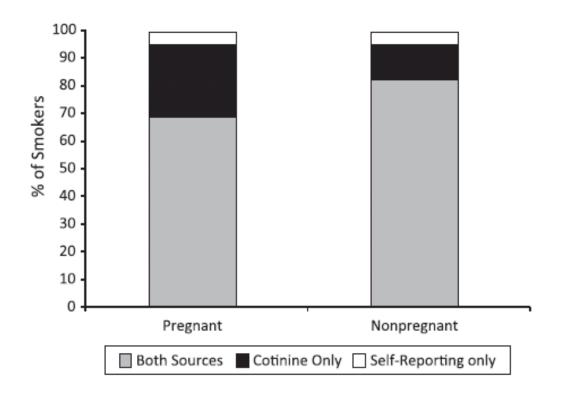
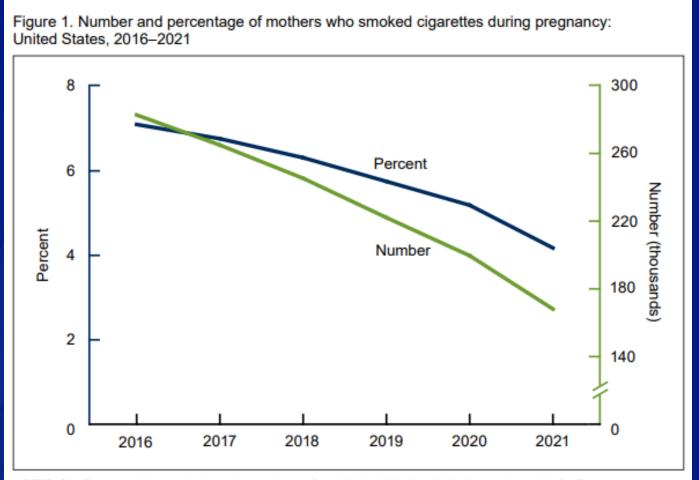


Figure 1. Method of determination of smoking status among women 18–44 years of age in the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, 1999–2006.

Dietz P, Homa D, England L, et al. Estimates of nondisclosure of cigarette smoking among pregnant and non-pregnant women of reproductive age in the United States. Amer J Epidemiol 2011; 173(3):355-9.

## Pregnancy and Smoking 2016-2021



NOTES: Significant declining trends in numbers and rates from 2016 to 2021 (p < 0.05). Access data table for Figure 1 at: https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/databriefs/db458-tables.pdf#1.

SOURCE: National Center for Health Statistics, National Vital Statistics System, Natality.

## **Pregnancy and Cessation**

- Smoking cessation rates are high (~ 50%)
- Most women quit on their own before or in early pregnancy (~ 1/3 pregnancies are unintended)
- Quitting is associated with strong beliefs about the dangers of smoking
- ~ Half of women who quit relapse by 2-6 mos pp

Tong VT, Dietz PM, Morrow B, et al. Trends in smoking before, during, and after pregnancy-Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System, United States, 40 sites, 2000-2010. MMWR Surveill Summ. 2013 Nov 8;62(6):1-19.

Kia F, Tosun N, Carlson S, Allen S. Examining characteristics associated with quitting smoking during pregnancy and relapse postpartum. Addict Behav. 2018 Mar;78:114-119.

Allen AM, Jung AM, Lemieux AM, et al. Stressful life events are associated with perinatal cigarette smoking. Prev Med. 2019 Jan;118:264-271.

Jones M, Lewis S, Parrott S *et al*. Re-starting smoking in the postpartum period after receiving a smoking cessation intervention: a systematic review. *Addiction* 2016.

Kurti AN, Redner R, Bunn JY, Tang K, et al. Examining the relationship between pregnancy and quitting use of tobacco products in a U.S. national sample of women of reproductive age. Prev Med. 2018 Dec;117:52-60.

Kim S. Changes in Multiple and Different Tobacco Product Use Behaviors in Women Before and During Pregnancy: An Analysis of Longitudinal Population Assessment of Tobacco and Health Data. Am J Prev Med. 2020 Oct;59(4):588-592.

### **Pregnancy and E-cigarettes** PRAMS 2019

- **Before** pregnancy e-cigarette use
  - Total use (dual + e-cigs) <u>4.3%</u>
    E-cigarette only 1.6% (1.5-1.9)
  - Dual use 2.6% (2.4-2.9)
- **During** pregnancy e-cigarette use:
  - Total use (dual + e-cigs)) <u>1.3%</u>
     E-cigarette only 0.6% (0.5-0.7)
     Dual use 0.7% (0.5-0.8)

### 2016 – 2019

- Dual use was stable at 0.7%
- E-cigarette only use increased from 0.4% to 0.6%

Head SK, Zaganjor I, Kofie JN, Sawdey MD, Cullen KA. Patterns and Trends in Use of Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems Before and During Pregnancy: Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System, United States, 2016-2019. J Community Health. 2022

## **Pregnancy and E-cigarettes**

- E-cigarette use was associated with
  - Younger age (< 20 years: 13.4% before, 3.6% during)</p>
  - White race
  - <u><</u> HS education, <u><</u> FPL
  - Mistimed or unintended pregnancy
  - Pre-pregnancy use of alcohol, cigarettes
- Cessation rates vary by cigarette use
  - Dual users: 46.3% (95% Cl 41.5 51.1)
    E-cigs only 82.2% (95% Cl 76.9 86.5)
    Cigarettes only 55.0% (95% Cl 52.7 57.2)

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# **Tobacco Cessation Interventions**



#### JAMA. 2021;325(3):265-279. doi:10.1001/jama.2020.25019

Population	Recommendation	Grade
Nonpregnant adults	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians ask all adults about tobacco use, advise them to stop using tobacco, and provide behavioral interventions and US Food and Drug Administration (FDA)approved pharmacotherapy for cessation to nonpregnant adults who use tobacco.	A
Pregnant persons	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians ask all pregnant persons about tobacco use, advise them to stop using tobacco, and provide behavioral interventions for cessation to pregnant persons who use tobacco.	A
Pregnant persons	The USPSTF concludes that the current evidence is insufficient to assess the balance of benefits and harms of pharmacotherapy interventions for tobacco cessation in pregnant persons.	I



"Use of NRT should be considered only after a detailed discussion with the patient of the known risks of continued smoking, the possible risks of NRT, and need for close supervision. If NRT is used, it should be with the clear resolve of the patient to quit smoking." Tobacco and nicotine cessation during

Tobacco and nicotine cessation during pregnancy. ACOG Committee Opinion No. 807. American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. Obstet Gynecol 2020;135:e221–9.

### **Industry Strategies Before 2006-2007**

- From 1950s: "safer" cigarettes
- 1980s
  - "Socially acceptable" cigarettes (women)
  - Increasing threat regarding health effects of SHS (MCH)
    - Undermined the scientific evidence on SHS
    - Later introduced oral products for women (lozenges)
    - Began promoting benefits of nicotine (mood, cognition)
- 1990s: recognized NRT as a business opportunity

"If Anyone Is Going to Take Away Our Business It Should Be Us"

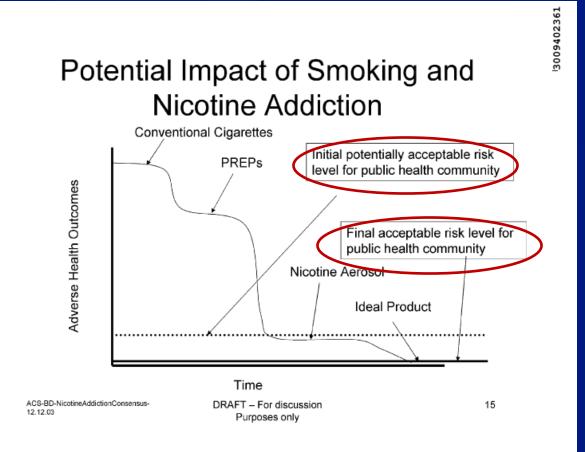
- 1999: began to co-opt "Harm Reduction"
- Inadequate regulatory framework



Ling PM, Glantz SA. Tobacco company strategies to identify and promote the benefits of nicotine. Tob Control. 2019 May;28(3):289-296. Apollonio D, Glantz SA. Tobacco Industry Research on Nicotine Replacement Therapy: "If Anyone Is Going to Take Away Our Business It Should Be Us". Am J Public Health. 2017 Oct;107(10):1636-1642.

Peeters S, Gilmore AB Understanding the emergence of the tobacco industry's use of the term tobacco harm reduction in order to inform public health policy *Tobacco Control* 2015;**24:**182-189

# Continuum of Risk Framework Industry Perspective



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# **Continuum of Risk Framework**

**More toxic** 

Combusted products/ conventional cigarettes

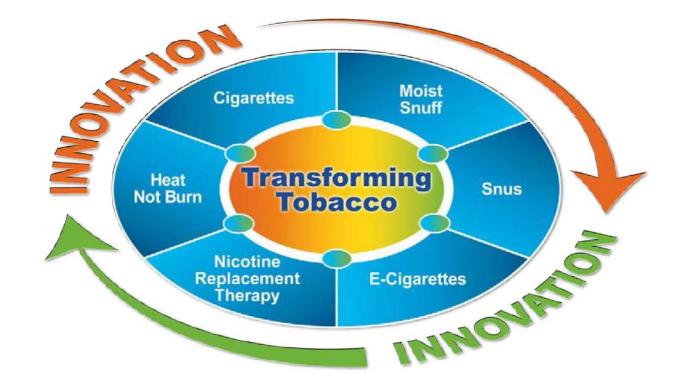
Non-combusted tobacco products



Nicotine only products

No nicotine use

### **Innovation Across Categories**



RJR Shareholder's Report 2014 http://files.shareholder.com/downloads/RAI/43150772x0x794523/530E0B5A-09C1-4DEF-83A7-5F6182F79065/RAI\_2014\_Investor\_Day\_PDF.pdf

### **Oral Tobacco Product Ads Targeting Women**



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https://www.businessinsider.com/rey.nolds-rolls-out-nicotine-lozenges-revel-2019-3 Unger JB, Barker J, Cruz TB, Leventhal AM, Pentz MA. Lucy-Novel Flavored Nicotine Gum, Lozenges, and Pouches: Are They Misleading Consumers? Subst Use Misuse. 2022;57(8):1328-1331.

### **Industry Strategies to Promote Nicotine**

### Starting in the 1980s

- Funded studies of the benefits of nicotine on cognition, performance, and mood
  - Used outcomes accessible to the public (driving, flying a plane)
- Implemented PR campaign comparing nicotine to socially acceptable substances (caffeine) while disputing 1989 SGR finding that nicotine is addictive



#### Message To Communicate

- Compatible with Everyday Tasks
- Helps People Cope by Reducing Stress and Anger
- Improves Concentration and Performance
- May Play Preventative Role in Alzheimer's and Parkinson's

Positive aspects of smoking RJ Reynolds Records. 1994

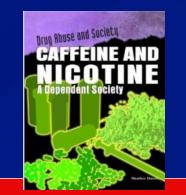
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#### Thursday, March 21, 2013 Nicotine Increases Exercise Endurance

#### Similarity of Nicotine and Caffeine

	Nicotine	Caffeine	
Source	Plant alkaloid	Plant alkaloid	
CNS	Stimulant	Stimulant	

In my lectures on tobacco harm reduction I compare the properties of nicotine with those of caffeine (see slides at left). Despite some obvious differences, the drugs have remarkably similar effects. I have just found a study from 2006 showing that "...nicotine administration during moderate-intensity exercise delays fatigue, with a significant improvement of 17% [ $\pm$ 7%] in time to exhaustion. This observation is similar to observations of the effects of caffeine supplementation." (Available at the journal Experimental Physiology



#### 5 Things You Didn't Know Could Make You Smarter

#### #2. Cigarettes



Apparently some "scientists" have decided that smoking doesn't have lots o those folks opposed to cancer and offending people. But it seems that, in th else, nicotine has some beneficial effect on the brain.



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The New Science of Building Brain Power

Dan Hurley

"This may be the most important revolution of our time?" -Carol Dweek, PhD, autors of Modern The New Psychology of Sates

# A Nicotine Patch a Day Keeps the Cognitive Impairment Away

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# These 5 Things Will Make You Smarter

#### 3) Performance enhancing drugs for your brain

No, they're not anabolic steroids. It's caffeine, sugar and nicotine. Coffee and nicotine make you smarter.

Smarter: The New Science of Building Brain Power "...nicotine—free of its noxious host, tobacco, and delivered instead by chewing gum or transdermal patch—may prove to be a weirdly, improbably effective cognitive enhancer and treatment for a variety of neurological disorders...Plus it has been associated with weight loss. With few known safety risks. Nicotine? Yes, nicotine."

by Jennifer Gibson, PharmD | February 6, 2012

# **NRT as a Business Opportunity**





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- Kostygina G, England L, Ling P, "New Product Marketing Blurs the Line Between Nicotine Replacement Therapy and Smokeless Tobacco Products", American Journal of Public Health 106, 7 (2016): pp. 1219-1222.
- Unger JB, Barker J, Cruz TB, Leventhal AM, Pentz MA. Lucy-Novel Flavored Nicotine Gum, Lozenges, and Pouches: Are They Misleading Consumers? Subst Use Misuse. 2022;57(8):1328-1331.

### **Health Effects of Smoking**

- Smoking damages every organ in the body
  - Dysmenorrhea
  - More severe menopausal symptoms
  - Earlier menopause
  - Increased risk of osteoporosis
  - Increased time to conception
  - ART: lower success rates, twice as many cycles of in vitro fertilization to achieve conception.



# Health Effects of Smoking during Pregnancy

- Stillbirth
- Preterm delivery
- PPROM
- LBW (<2500 grams)
- IUGR
- Perinatal mortality
- Placenta previa

- Placental abruption
- Preeclampsia (reduced risk)
- Altered lung development
- Neuroteratogen
- SIDS
- Ectopic pregnancy
- Orofacial clefts

USDHHS. The Health Consequences of smoking—50 Years of progress: A Report of the Surgeon General. Atlanta, GA: USDHHS, CDC, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Office on Smoking and Health; 2014.

USDHHS. E-Cigarette Use Among Youth and Young Adults. A Report of the Surgeon General. Atlanta, GA: USDHHS, CDC, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Office on Smoking and Health, 2016.

### Pregnancy and Smoking: Potential Long-term Effects on Offspring

- Internalizing and externalizing behavior problems
- Conduct disorder
- Aggressive behavior
- Mood disorders
- SUDs

Chronic medical problems including hypertension and obesity

**Establishing causality is challenging** 

Parker SE, Collett BR, Speltz ML, Werler MM. Prenatal smoking and childhood behavior problems: is the association mediated by birth weight? J Dev Orig Health Dis. 2016 Jun;7(3):273-281

# How Do We Study the Health Effects of Nicotine?

- Animal studies
- Studies of the health effects of nicotine product use (cohort studies of Swedish male snus users to understand health effects of NRT)
- Synthesize data from animal models of nicotine exposure and human studies of cigarette smoking

# The Role of Nicotine in Human Development

- Nicotine binds to receptors called nicotinic acetylcholine receptors, nAChRs
- nAChRs present very early in development
- nAChRs expression increases in the developing nervous system during critical periods of neuronal development

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		the neocortex
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**Figure 2.** Comparison of the timetables for neural development in rat and human. Most of the developmental events that occur in the third trimester in human occur during the first two postnatal weeks in rat.

#### Dwyer, Broide, Leslie.Birth Defects Research (Part C) 84:30–44 (2008)

## The Role of Nicotine in Development



nAChR binding in normal cellular development

- Promote neural cell replication, initiate switch from neural cell replication to differentiation
- Initiate, terminate axogenesis and synaptogenesis, evoke or retard apoptosis, enable migration of specific cell populations
- Nicotine can "hijack" developmental processes
  - Triggers apoptosis, reduces the number of neuronal cells, impairs synaptogenesis, causes abnormal switch from neuronal proliferation to differentiation
  - Prenatal exposure results in lower total brain DNA in offspring (reduction in total cell number)
  - Damage and cell loss intensify in the postnatal period, even after discontinuation of exposure

Slotkin TA. Fetal nicotine or cocaine exposure: which one is worse? J Pharmacol Exp Ther. 1998;285:931-945.

### Studies of Outcomes in Smokeless Tobacco Users

### Support that nicotine

- Has minor contributions to fetal growth restriction
- Does not reduce risk of preeclampsia (may increase)
- Increases the risk of
  - Infant apnea
  - SIDS and SUID, post-neonatal mortality
  - Oral cleft defects
  - Preterm delivery
  - Stillbirth

 Alters autonomic cardiac regulation/autonomic instability at 1-2 months; increased arterial stiffness higher SBP at 5-6 yrs

Norwegian Institute of Public Health. Health risks from snus use. 2019. <u>https://www.fhi.no/en/publ/2019/health-risks-from-snus-use2/;</u>Nordenstam F, Lundell B, Cohen G, et al. Nicotine Tob Res. 2017 Jul 1;19(7):797-803.

# Sweden

Most studies of pregnancy outcomes use the country's Medical Birth Register

- Snus added in 1999 (3 months before pregnancy and current daily use)
- Captures nearly all live and stillbirths
  - ~75,000 singleton live births/yr
- Women enter prenatal care early (~15 weeks)
- Gestational age dating by early US (~17 wks)
- Linked to ICD-10 codes
- Smoking: 1-9 or 10+ cigarettes/day

European Journal of Epidemiology (2023) 38:109–120



# **Sweden: Preterm Birth**

Live singleton births, 1999-2009 PTB < 37 weeks gestation (n=33,172)

Tobacco Use Before/Early Pregnancy	Crude OR, 95% Cl	Adjusted OR, 95% Cl
No tobacco use	Reference	Reference
Snus user /non-user	1.01 (0.92, 1.10)	0.92 (0.84, 1.01)
Snus user /snus user	<b>1.34</b> (1.22, 1.48)	<mark>1.29</mark> (1.17, 1.43)
Smoker/non-smoker	1.02 (0.99, 1.06)	0.90 (0.87, 0.94)
Smoker/smoker	1.43 (1.38, 1.48)	1.30 (1.25, 1.36)

\*Adjusted for maternal BMI, age, parity, education, partner.

Baba S, Wikström AK, Stephansson O, Cnattingius S. Influence of smoking and snuff cessation on risk of preterm birth. Eur J Epidemiol. 2012 Apr;27(4):297-304.

## Sweden: Preeclampsia

- Live singleton births in Sweden 1999-2006
- N=612,000

Tobacco Use in Early Pregnancy	Term Preeclampsia		Preterm Preeclampsia		
	N	Adjusted OR*	N	Adjusted OR*	
No tobacco use	11854	Reference	3128	Reference	
Snus	198	1.06 (0.91,1.24)	60	1.30 (1.00, 1.70)	
Cigarettes					
1-9/day	741	0.65 (0.60, 0.71)	213	0.70 (0.61, 0.82)	
10+/day	203	0.46 (0.39, 0.43)	81	0.72 (0.65, 0.91)	

\*Adjusted for maternal age, BMI, parity, years of education

Wikström AK, Stephansson O, Cnattingius S. Tobacco use during pregnancy and preeclampsia risk: effects of cigarette smoking and snuff. Hypertension. 2010 May; 55(5): 1254-9.

## Sweden: Birth Weight

### Live, singleton births from the Swedish Birth Register, 2002-2010

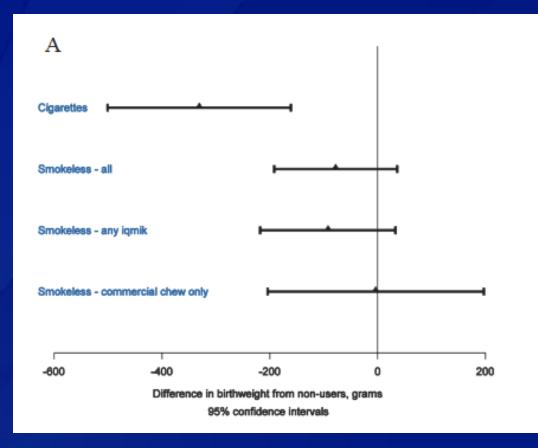
- 8,861 siblings from 4,104 mothers whose snus use was discordant across pregnancies
- Conventional analysis\* of <u>continuing</u> users:
  - 47 g reduction in birth weight (significant)
- Sibling analysis:
  - 20 g reduction in birth weight (not significant)
- Comparison to cigarette smoking: 162 grams (1 to 9 CPD,) and - 226 g (10+CPD)

\*All models adjusted for gestational age, marital status, maternal age, and infant sex.

Jua rez SP, Merlo J (2013) The Effect of Swedish Snuff (Snus) on Offspring Birthweight: A Sibling Analysis. PLoS ONE 8(6): e65611.

Jua'rez SP, Merlo J (2013) Revisiting the Effect of Maternal Smoking during Pregnancy on Offspring Birthweight: A Quasi-Experimental Sibling Analysis in Sweden. PLoS ONE 8(4): e61734

# Alaska: Birth Weight\* Controls n=497



\*Adjusted for gestational age, parity, BMI, height, age, infant sex.

England LJ, Kim SY, Shapiro-Mendoza CK, et al. Maternal smokeless tobacco use in Alaska Native women and singleton infant birth size. Acta Obstet Gynecol Scand 2012; 91:93–103.

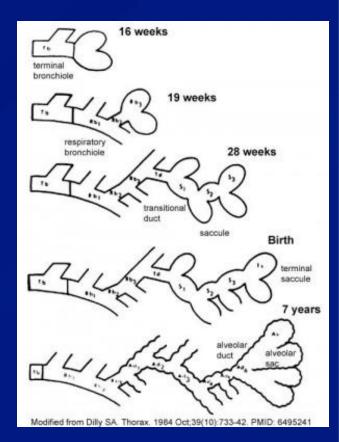
Studies Synthesizing Data from Animal Models of Nicotine and Human Studies of Cigarette Smoking

- Support that nicotine...
  - Increases the risk of SIDS
  - Contributes to impaired lung development and adverse respiratory outcomes in childhood
  - Causes structural brain changes and alterations in cognition, attention in human offspring
  - Causes deficits in auditory processing
  - Increases vulnerability to nicotine dependence in later life

USDHHS. The Health Consequences of smoking — 50 Years of progress: A Report of the Surgeon General. Atlanta, GA: USDHHS, CDC, NCCDPHP, Office on Smoking and Health; 2014. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. E-Cigarette Use Among Youth and Young Adults. A Report of the Surgeon General. Atlanta, GA: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, CDC, NCCDPHP, Office on Smoking and Health, 2016. McEvoy and Spindel. Pulmonary effects of maternal smoking on the fetus and child. Paediatr Respir Rev. 2017;21:27-33.

### Lung Development

- nAChR present in the fetal lung (airway epithelium and fibro-blasts)
- Fetal lungs are susceptible to damage from environmental exposures
- Failure to reach maximum lung function potential in childhood can result in lifelong impairment
- Offspring of women who smoke have persistent adverse effects on lung function across childhood



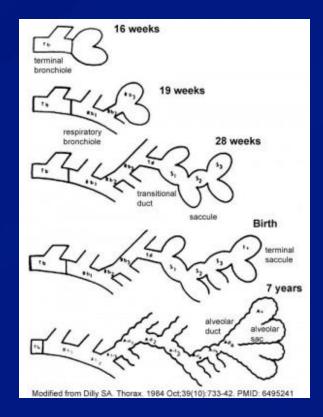
USDHHS. The Health Consequences of smoking—50 Years of progress: A Report of the Surgeon General. Atlanta, GA: USDHHS, CDC, NCCDPHP,Office on Smoking and Health; 2014. McEvoy and Spindel . Pulmonary effects of maternal smoking on the fetus and child.Paediatr Respir Rev. 2017;21:27-33. Abbott and Winzer-Serhan, Critical Reviews in Toxicology, 2012.

### Lung Development

### Animal models of nicotine have consistent results across species:

- Decreased FEF
- Decreased lung volume
- Decreased alveolar surface area
- Decreased lung elastin
- Increased pulmonary resistance
- Increased lung collagen
- Increased airway wall thickening
- Increased narrow, smaller airways
- Increased airway reactivity





### Lung Development

Comparison of effects of prenatal nicotine (animal studies) to effects of in-utero smoke exposure (clinical studies) on lung development

Finding	Prenatal Nicotine	In-utero smoke exposure
	Yes	Yes
↑ Airway thickening	Yes	Yes
↑ Airway tortuosity	Yes	?
↑ Airway reactivity	Yes	?
↑ Asthma and wheeze	?	Yes
Oxidative mechanism	Yes	Yes
Affected by nAChR SNPs	?	Yes

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## **E-cigarette Use and Health Outcomes**

- Data on the potential impact of e-cigarette exposure on reproductive health outcomes are limited
- **PRAMS** 2016-2018, N=79, 176 (37 states and NYC)

E-cigarette use in the last 3 months of pregnancy compared with no combustible cigarette use

- Preterm birth AOR 1.69 (1.20-2.39)
- LBW AOR 1.88 (1.38, 2.57)
- SGA AOR 1.10 (0.65-1.86)

\*All models adjusted for maternal age, race-ethnicity, education, marital status, prenatal care, WIC enrollment, vitamin use

Montjean D, Godin Pagé MH, Bélanger MC, Benkhalifa M, Miron P. An Overview of E-Cigarette Impact on Reproductive Health. Life (Basel). 2023 Mar 18;13(3):827. Regan AK, Bombard JM, O'Hegarty MM, et al. Adverse birth out comes associated with prepregnancy and prenatal electronic cigarette use. Obstet Gynecol 2021;138(1)85-94.

Warning Labels JUUI VIRGINIA **E-cigarettes, Oral Products** WARNING Includes one static warning label This product contains nicotine. Nicotine is an addictive chemical "WARNING: This product contains nicotine derived from tobacco. Nicotine is an addictive chemical."

"WARNING: This product contains nicotine. Nicotine is an addictive chemical."

5.0%

## **California Proposition 65**

"This product contains nicotine, a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm."

# Pregnant Women's Perceptions of E-cigarettes and NRT

- Women are highly motivated to protect the health of their babies
- E-cigarettes are safer than smoking but...
- E-cigarettes can deliver an unsafe amount of nicotine
- Views on e-cigarettes for smoking cessation were mixed
- NRT is safer than smoking, but...
- NRT can deliver an unsafe amount of nicotine to a fetus
- NRT can be addictive like smoking; can be a barrier to NRT use

Campbell K, Coleman-Haynes T, Bowker K, Cooper SE, Connelly S, Coleman T. Factors influencing the uptake and use of nicotine replacement therapy and e-cigarettes in pregnant women who smoke: a qualitative evidence synthesis. Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews 2020, Issue 5. Art. No.: CD013629.

# Women's Perceptions of Emerging Products and NRT

- 15 focus groups conducted in 4 cities in 2013
  - Memphis, Tennessee; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Oklahoma
     City, Oklahoma; and Billings, Montana
- Pregnant women who smoke, pregnant women who quit, and women who smoke and are planning a planning pregnancy
- Women discussed snus, dissolvables, e-cigarettes, NRT



England L, Tong V, Koblitz A, et al. Perceptions of emerging tobacco products and NRT among pregnant women and women planning a pregnancy. Preventive Medicine Reports. 4(2016) 481-5.

# Women's Perceptions Cont'd

#### **Themes:**

#### E-cigarettes are easy to use in excess

"What threw me off with them was that there's no end point. Like if I'm smoking a regular cigarette, I know I got five and a half, six minutes, then I'm out. But I could smoke [e-cigs] all day long, and next thing I know, I been outside 30 minutes and I'm like oh God, I got to go back to work or whatever." -[Pregnant Quitter]

#### Dissolvable products reviews were mixed

Oral products are discreet and can lessen stigma

*"Maybe you wouldn't get judged by people because you could hide it better than smoking. I don't like being judged by people. I hate that."* -[Pregnant smoker]

Oral products go directly to the baby

*"It's kind of like feeding it to your baby directly. You're feeding it cigarettes. It's crazy." -*[Pregnant smoker]

England L, Tong V, Koblitz, A et al. Perceptions of emerging tobacco products and NRT among pregnant women and women planning a pregnancy. Preventive Medicine Reports. 4(2016) 481-5.

# Future Directions Continuum of Risk Framework

**More toxic** 

Combusted products/ conventional cigarettes

Non-combusted tobacco products

Less toxic

**Nicotine only products** 

No nicotine use

Adapted from Zeller M, Hatsukami D; Strategic Dialogue on Tobacco Harm Reduction Group. Tob Control. 2009 Aug;18(4):324-32.

# **Future Directions**



- Precautionary principle (multidisciplinary, transparent)
- Unintended consequences of growth in emerging tobacco product markets: high e-cigarette use in female youth and in women < 20 with a live birth (quit rates are high)
- Potential unintended consequences include
  - Increased prevalence of nicotine exposure during pregnancy through higher prevalence of tobacco product use in general
  - Increased nicotine exposure in individuals through dual use, increased frequency/intensity of use of newer products, advances in technology (nicotine delivery)
- Vulnerabilities include desire to reduce stigma, misconceptions about nicotine exposure, attraction to reduced risk and "cleaner" product claims/marketing

## **Future Directions**

- Continue to monitor product development and tobacco industry tactics, public perceptions/attitudes
- Adapt surveillance of emerging product use (during pregnancy) to better meet public health needs
- Continue to research the health effects of emerging products and nicotine exposure on health outcomes for vulnerable populations
- Promote provider awareness, provide educational materials
- Counter industry efforts to normalize recreational nicotine, especially in vulnerable populations

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# **Nicotine Exposure in Adolescence**

- Adolescence is marked by major plasticity of brain systems regulating motivated behavior and cognition
- Synaptic formation and learning highly strengthened by stimulation from environmental experience; addictive drugs can activate and strengthen reward circuits to create an addicted state
- Nicotine appears to increase rewarding effects of other drugs
- Nicotine disrupts adolescent brain development
  - Decreases attention
  - Alters mood
  - Increases impulsivity

England LJ, Aagaard K, Bloch M, et al. Developmental toxicity of nicotine: A transdisciplinary synthesis and implications for emerging tobacco products. Neurosci Biobehav Rev. 2017 Jan;72:176-189.

## **Summary and Conclusions**

- Tobacco use continues to pose a major global public health burden
- The tobacco industry offers a full spectrum of rapidly evolving "recreational" nicotine-containing products and NRT, giving them flexibility to adapt to FDA regulations and consumer preferences
- Industry investments in NRT/other pharmaceuticals are of special concern; conflicts of interest are hidden
- Pregnant women and women of reproductive age may be especially vulnerable to reduced risk and "cleaner" product claims

## **Summary and Conclusions**

- Health risks of tobacco products such as ecigarettes and heat-not-burn may take decades to fully manifest
- Human and animal research supports that nicotine adversely affects pregnancy outcomes, fetal and adolescent brain development, fetal lung development, and infant cardio-respiratory function

Increasing use in young women with a live birth and during pregnancy/dual are of concern more data are needed

# **Warning Labels Cigarettes**



#### •SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING:

Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature Birth, And Low Birth Weight.

Warning - Cigarette smoke harms babies before and after they are born. It causes low birth weight and lung problems in babies. Health Canada You can quit. We can help. gosmokefree.gc.ca/quit 1-866-366-3667

https://www.fda.gov/tobacco-products/retail-sales-tobacco-products/retailers-chart-required-warningstatements-tobacco-product-packaging-and-advertising https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/health-concerns/tobacco/legislation/tobacco-productlabelling.html

# **Co-opting Harm Reduction**



Delivering a Smoke-Free Future ABOUT US OUR BUSINESS OUR TRANSFORMATION OUR SCIENCE INVESTOR RELATIONS SUSTAINABILITY CAREERS

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"Existing efforts to discourage people from

smoking and encouraging those who do to auit must continue. But supplementing these measures with a tobacco harm

are also made available, and enough

opportunity like that?"

smokers switch to them. we can more

rapidly achieve a significant milestone in

global health—a world without cigarettes.

Who would deny society a harm-reduction

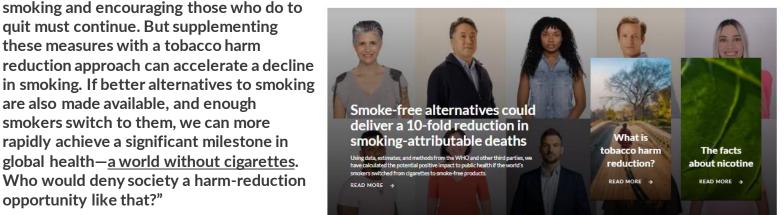


#### Tobacco harm reduction

The best choice for any smoker is to guit products containing nicotine and tobacco altogether. However, many don't. Better alternatives exist for those adult smokers who would otherwise continue to smoke. This is tobacco harm reduction.

Innovations to reduce the harm caused by certain behaviors and activities are woven into our everyday lives. PMI is calling for a similar approach to be applied to the known risks of smoking.

Find out how tobacco harm reduction could have a positive impact on the lives of adult smokers who don't quit.

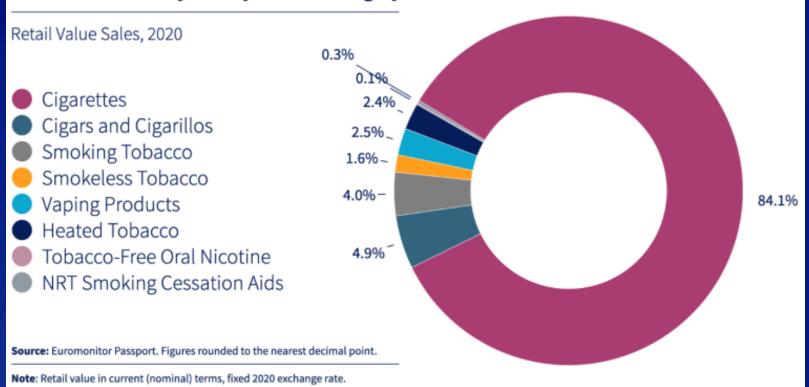


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## **Global Nicotine Products Retail Value**

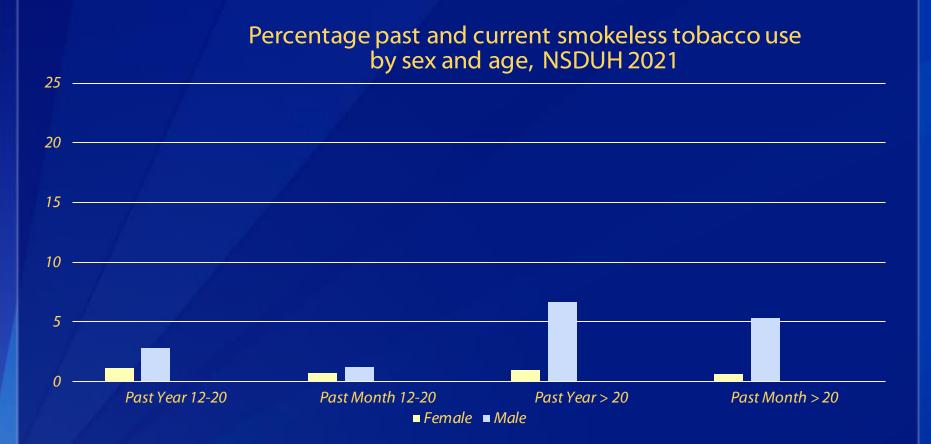
#### **Global category market size**

#### **Global Nicotine Ecosystem by Product Category**



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### US Prevalence of Smokeless Tobacco Use 2021



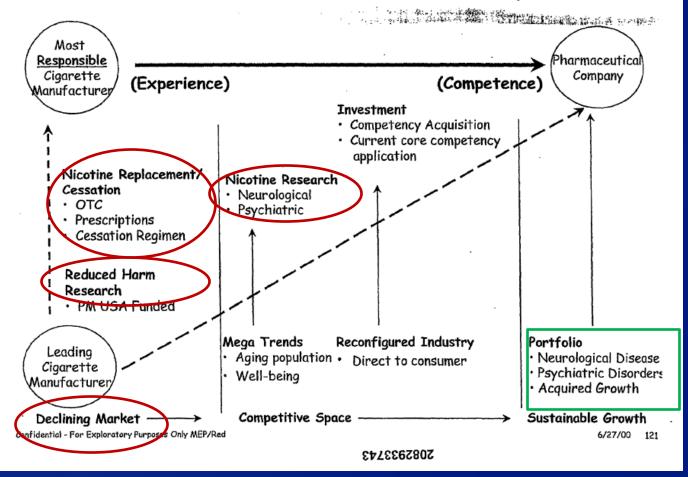
NSDUH—https://www.samhsa.gov/data/report/2021-nsduh-detailed-tables

### **E-cigarette Ads Targeting Women**



https://truthinitiative.org/research-resources/targeted-communities/old-tactics-new-products-howbig-tobacco-targets-women# New Business Opportunities

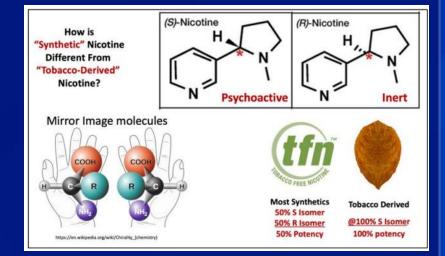
### **Pharmaceutical Exploration**



http://legacy.library.ucsf.edu/tid/xmo99h00

## **Changing Products Synthetic Nicotine**

- Regulation loophole now closed
- Marketed as "tobacco-free" and "pure" and "addiction-free"
- The cost of producing synthetic nicotine has plummeted



#### A POUCH DESIGNED WITH YOU IN MIND

This small, white pouch allows for a neat and manageable experience.

https://tobacco-img.stanford.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/13161808/Synthetic-Nicotine-White-Paper-3-8-2022F.pdf

### Sweden: SIDS, SUID, Post-neonatal Mortality

**Table 4.** Maternal tobacco use in early pregnancy and cessation of tobacco use before the antenatal booking and risk of post neonatal mortality, SUID, and SIDS, N = 1,996,980.

	n (%)	Crude <sup>a</sup> OR (95% CI)	Adjusted <sup>b</sup> OR (95% CI)	Adjusted <sup>c</sup> OR (95% CI)
Post neonatal mortality <sup>d</sup> , $N = 15$	514			
Nonuser	1072 (0.07)	Reference	Reference	Reference
Snuff user	22 (0.13)	1.95 (1.27-3.01)	1.81 (1.17-2.80)	1.75 (1.13–2.71)
Stopped using snuff	27 (0.07)	1.08 (0.73-1.59)	1.21 (0.82-1.79)	1.24 (0.84-1.84)
Smoker	263 (0.19)	2.94 (2.56-3.39)	2.09 (1.79–2.44)	1.73 (1.48-2.02)
Stopped smoking	130 (0.07)	1.13 (0.94–1.37)	1.03 (0.85–1.24)	1.02 (0.84–1.23)
SIDS, <i>N</i> = 354				
Nonuser	160 (0.01)	Reference	Reference	Reference
Snuff user	11 (0.06)	6.16 (3.25-11.7)	4.36 (2.29-8.31)	4.33 (2.27-8.26)
Stopped using snuff	8 (0.02)	2.20 (1.08-4.49)	2.13 (1.04-4.34)	2.15 (1.05-4.40)
Smoker	141 (0.10)	10.3 (8.16–13.1)	5.46 (4.15-7.18)	4.96 (3.77-6.54)
Stopped smoking	34 (0.02)	1.71 (1.14–2.56)	1.35 (0.89–2.05)	1.35 (0.89-2.04)
SUID, <i>N</i> = 579				
Nonuser	324 (0.02)	Reference	Reference	Reference
Snuff user	14 (0.08)	3.97 (2.28-6.91)	3.20 (1.83–5.60)	3.16 (1.81-5.53)
Stopped using snuff	10 (0.02)	1.36 (0.73-2.56)	1.37 (0.73–2.58)	1.40 (0.74–2.63)
Smoker	174 (0.13)	6.35 (5.24-7.70)	3.95 (3.17-4.91)	3.46 (2.78-4.32)
Stopped smoking	57 (0.03)	1.54 (1.14–2.07)	1.29 (0.95–1.74)	1.27 (0.93-1.72)

CI confidence interval, OR odds ratio.

<sup>a</sup>Crude odds ratios calculated with the same population as adjusted models.

<sup>b</sup>Adjusted for maternal age, parity, maternal education, cohabitant with father-to-be, mother's country of birth.

<sup>c</sup>Adjusted for maternal age, parity, maternal education, cohabitant with father-to-be, mother's country of birth, gestational age, birth weight according to gestational age.

<sup>d</sup>Population for neonatal mortality was n = 1,994,209. Infants who died in the neonatal period were excluded, n = 2771.

Gunnerbeck, A., Lundholm, C., Rhedin, S. *et al.* Association of maternal snuff use and smoking with Sudden Infant Death Syndrome: a national register study. *Pediatr Res* **94**, 811–819 (2023).

## Sweden: Apnea

- Live singleton births 1999-2006 N=610,000
- ICD 10 codes included cyanotic attacks, primary and secondary apnea

Tobacco Use in Early Pregnancy	Cases	Adjusted OR, 95% CI Model 1*	Adjusted OR,95% CI Model 2**
No tobacco use	771	Reference	Reference
Snus	26	2.15 (1.44, 3.20)	1.96 (1.30, 2.96)
Cigarettes			
1-9/day	94	1.31 (1.04, 1.65)	1.08 (0.85, 1.37)
10+/day	40	1.49 (1.07, 2.08)	1.08 (0.76, 1.52)

\*Adjusted for age, height, education, \*\*Also adjusted for mode of delivery, gender, gestational age, SGA

Gunnerbeck A, Wikstrom AK, Bonamy et al. Relationship of maternal snuff use and cigarette smoking with neonatal apnea. Pediatrics. 2011 Sep;128(3):503-9.

## **Neonatal Apnea**

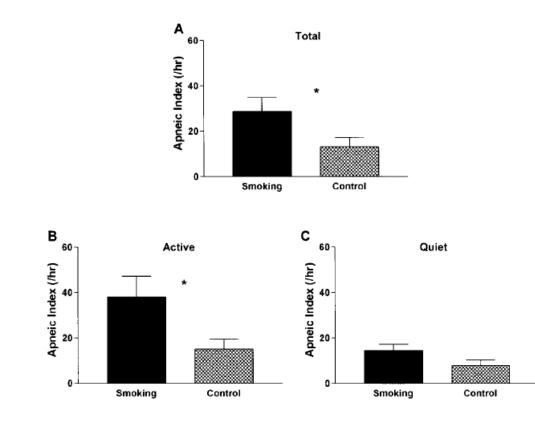


Figure 1. The effect of maternal smoking during pregnancy on apneic index (AI) in preterm infants. The overall AI (A) was increased in preterm infants born to smoking mothers, and this effect was more prominent during active sleep (B). Data represent means  $\pm$  SE; \*p values less than 0.05 compared with the control group.

Sawnani, Jackson, Murphy, et al. The Effect of Maternal Smoking on Respiratory and Arousal Patterns in Preterm Infants during Sleep Am J Respir Crit Care Med Vol 169.pp 733–738, 2004

## **Neonatal Arousal**

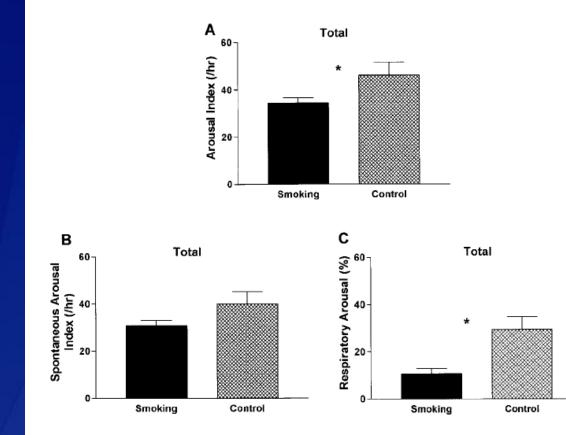


Figure 3. The effect of maternal smoking during pregnancy on total arousal index, spontaneous arousal index, and respiratory arousals (percentage of arousals after apneic events) in preterm infants. Prenatal exposure to cigarette smoke was associated with significant decrease in the total arousal index (A) and specific decrease in respiratory arousals (C). No significant difference in spontaneous arousals (B) was noted. Data represent means  $\pm$  SE; \*p values less than 0.05 compared with the control group.

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# Smokeless Tobacco in Pregnancy (STiP)

- Western Alaska
- Large population of indigenous peoples
- Many still practice subsistence living
- Single health care system
- Local providers reported high rates of abruption and preeclampsia in iqmik users







## Iqmik

### A mixture of fire-cured tobacco leaves with the ash generated from burning punk fungus, high pH.



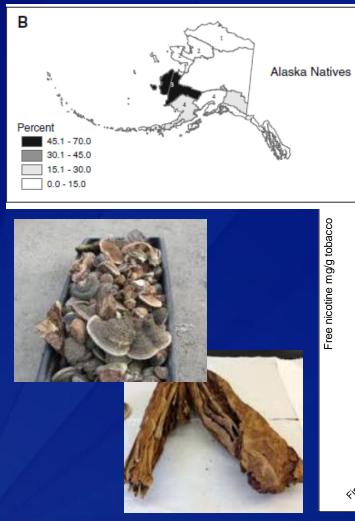




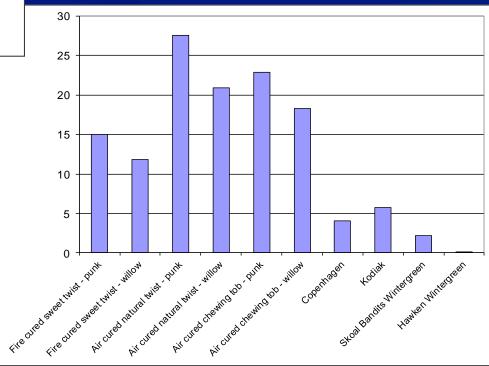




## Case study: Birthweight and Iqmik



Free nicotine values for lqmik and selected commercial smokeless products



## Alaska: Birth Weight (Controls)

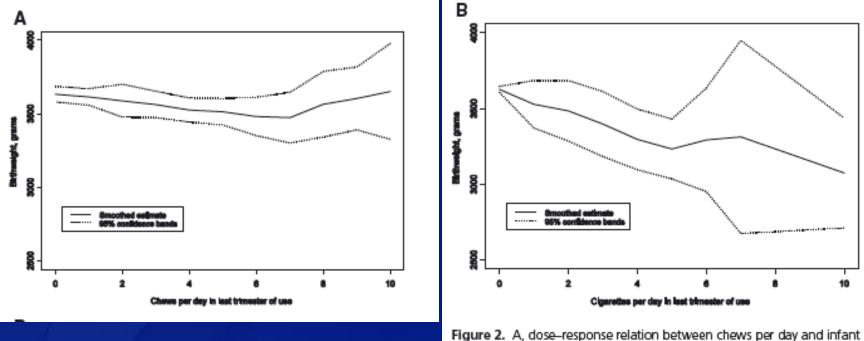
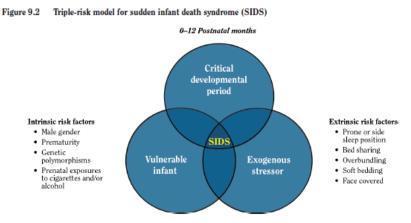


Figure 2. A, dose–response relation between chews per day and infant birth weight. B, dose–response relation between cigarettes per day and infant birthweight.

England LJ, Kim SY, Shapiro-Mendoza CK, et al. Maternal smokeless tobacco use in Alaska Native women and singleton infant birth size. Acta Obstet Gynecol Scand 2012;91:93–103.

## **Case Study: SIDS**

- Leading cause of death in infants 1 12 mths
- Possible mechanisms:
  - Newborn's autonomic control of respiratory and cardiovascular systems are immature
  - Sleep "architecture" still developing as well; sleep influences respiratory and cardiovascular control
  - Apnea and hypoxia are common problems in infants (preterm)
  - Survival of hypoxic challenges depends on responses mediated by catecholamines



Source: Trachtenberg et al. 2012. Reprinted with permission from American Academy of Pediatrics, © 2012.

Horne et al., Respiratory Physiology and Neurobiology 149; (2005) 257-71

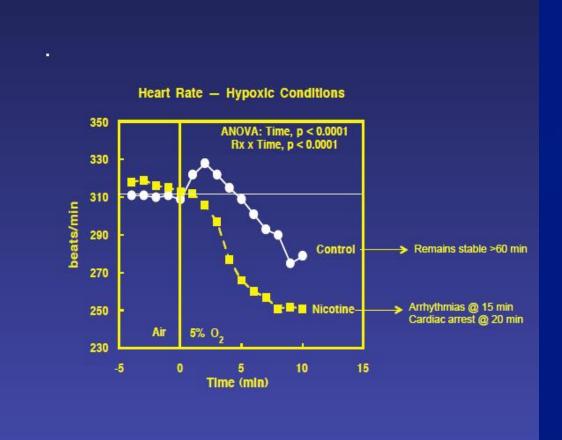
# Prenatal Nicotine Exposure Affects Autonomic Control of Respiratory and Cardiovascular Systems

- nAChRs regulate brainstem neuron activity
- During hypoxia, breathing and heart rate first increase, then decrease to prolong survival by reducing metabolic demands

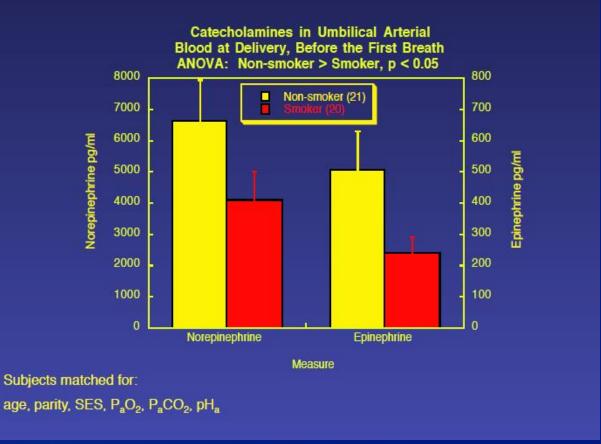
### Response to hypoxia in infants of smokers

- Steeper ventilatory deceleration
- Shorter time to reach lowest oxygen saturation
- Response to hypoxia particularly impaired when prone

Reviewed by Abbott and Winzer-Serhan, Critical Reviews in Toxicology, 2012 Rosser et al. Pediatr Res 2018

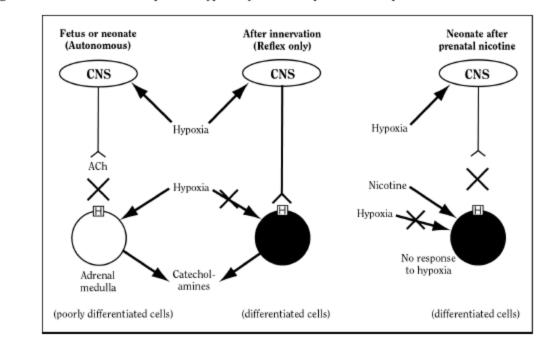


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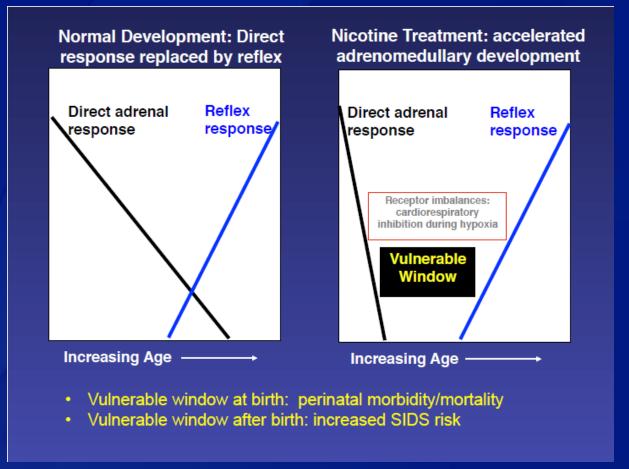
Oncken CA, Henry KM, Campbell WA, Kuhn CM, Slotkin TA, Kranzler HR. Effect of maternal smoking on fetal catecholamine concentrations at birth. Pediatr Res.







Note: CNS = central nervous system.



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# Global Prevalence of Smoked Tobacco Use

#### **Pooled prevalence estimates\***

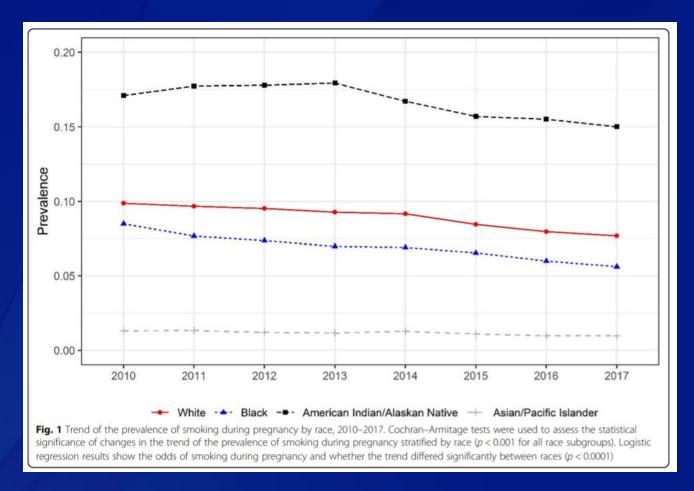
- Cigarette smoking in women:
  - <u>Ever</u> smoked: 28% (95% CI: 24-32%)
  - <u>Currently</u> smokes: 17% (95% CI: 14-19%)
- <u>Ever</u> smoked cigarettes in subgroups:
  - Adolescent girls/students: 23% (95% CI: 20-27%)
  - Adult women: 27% (95% CI: 19-35%)
  - Pregnant women: 32% (95% CI: 22-42%)

### \*The study includes 36 studies from the Americas, 34 studies from Asia, 27 studies from Europe, 8 studies from Africa, and 4 studies from the Oceania region.

Jafari A, Rajabi A, Gholian-Aval M, Peyman N, Mahdizadeh M, Tehrani H. National, regional, and global prevalence of cigarette smoking among women/females in the general population: a systematic review and meta-analysis. Environ Health Prev Med. 2021 Jan 8;26(1):5.



# **Pregnancy and Smoking**



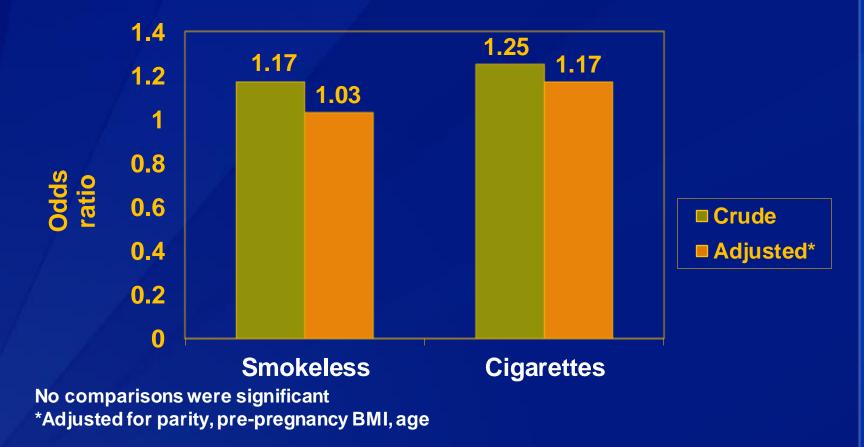
Azagba, S., Manzione, L., Shan, L. *et al.* Trends in smoking during pregnancy by socioeconomic characteristics in the United States, 2010–2017. *BMC Pregnancy Childbirth* **20**, 52 (2020).

# **Gaps in Regulation**

- Warning labels
- Nicotine conc/amount
- Internet sales to underaged individuals
- Flavored products (sale ban in 2020, but doesn't cover disposables and tanks, menthol or tobacco flavors)
- NRT as a recreational product
- Counterfeit products produced in unregulated facilities

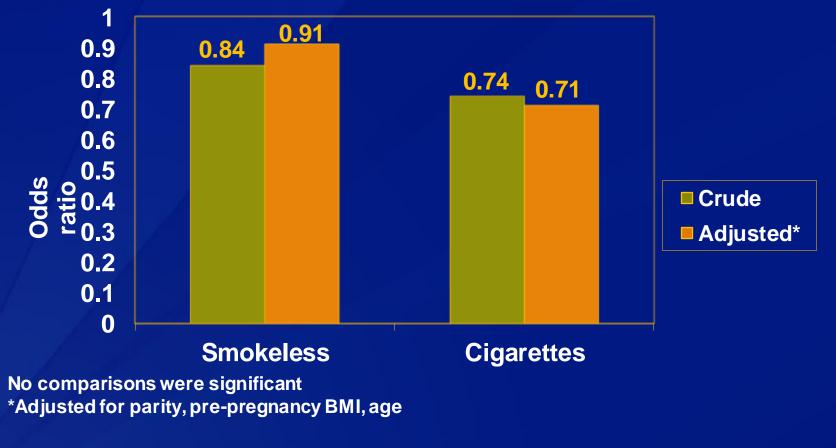
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# **Placental Abruption**



England LJ, Kim SY, Shapiro-Mendoza CK, et al. Effects of maternal smokeless tobacco use on selected pregnancy outcomes in Alaska Native women: a case–control study. Acta Obstet Gynecol Scand 2013

## **Alaska: Preeclampsia**



England LJ, Kim SY, Shapiro-Mendoza CK, et al. Effects of maternal smokeless tobacco use on selected pregnancy outcomes in Alaska Native women: a case–control study. Acta Obstet Gynecol Scand 2013

### **Tobacco Industry and MCH**

#### RESEARCH PROJECT 1993

#### ETS AND PREGNANCY

To be identified Head of Obstetrics Private Practice Regional Hospital - Pediatric Polyclinic SWITZERLAND ?

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The issues of maternal, spousal and work-place smoking all come together when considering pregnancy. In addition, women of child-bearing age constitute a significant part of our market, not to mention a powerful political force. Directly mobilizing such a significant segment of the adult population around such an emotional issue has the potential for providing tremendous impetus to all sorts of restrictive legislation in the home, in public areas as well as in the workplace. There is perhaps no other issue as powerful facing the industry.

#### -Philip Morris International 1993 Author unknown https://www.industrydocuments.ucsf.edu/tobacco/docs/#id=ptfg0111

### **Tobacco Industry and MCH**

#### REVIEW OF RISK FACTORS FOR SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME

#### F M Sullivan & S M Barlow

4201 Commerce Rd Richmond Va 23234 Gate A Door 17?

#### Prepared for Philip Morris

stressful conditions. Further refinement of the relative contributions of different risk factors will be achieved by better control of confounding factors in epidemiological studies.

Ownall - excellent job -- complete data capture - I wante have lete some more creativity - bottle / breast - age - runmune infection - role of diagnosis us study - Clark a more in depth meternal smolling / Fetal developmend / newborn beyond scope of this analysis: beyond scope of this done but needs to be done 250564492

# Health Effects of Vaping in Adolescents

- Pulmonary effects
  - Exposure before maturity could result in the failure to reach full adult lung function potential and earlier onset of asthma, COPD, ILD if additional insults(as with adolescent onset smoking, SHS exposure). Supported by animal studies.
- Cardiovascular Effects
  - Systemic inflammation and endothelial dysfunction similar to that seen in smokers raises concerns about increased CVD risk
  - Animal studies with long-term e-cig exposure: cardiac fibrosis, decreased ejection fraction, atherosclerosis

Wold LE, Tarran R, Crotty Alexander LE, et al.; on behalf of the American Heart Association Council on Basic Cardiovascular Sciences; Council on Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis and Vascular Biology; Council on Hypertension; and Stroke Council. Cardio-pulmonary consequences of vaping in adolescents: a scientific statement from the American Heart Association. *Circ Res.* 2022;130:e70–e82.

# **Adolescent Smoking**

- Earlier initiation of smoking is associated with difficulty quitting
- Chronic impairments in verbal and working memory, worsen with withdrawal (associated with reduced efficiency in the hippocampus and parahippocampal gyrus—regions that support mnemonic processing)
- Aberrant development of white matter microstructure (anterior cortical and internal capsule fibers), which may lead to impairments in auditory processing
- Indices of smoking behavior negatively associated with neural function of the prefrontal cortex.

Jacobsen, Krystal, Mencl et al.Biol Psychiatry 2005 57:56-6. Jacobsen, Picciotto, Heath, et al.Biol Psychiatry 2007 27(49):13491-8. Galvan, Poldrack, Baker, et al. Neuropharmacology 2011 36:970-8. Jacobsen, Picciotto, Heath, et al.Biol Psychiatry 2009 65(8):671-9.

# Nicotine as a Gateway to Other Drugs

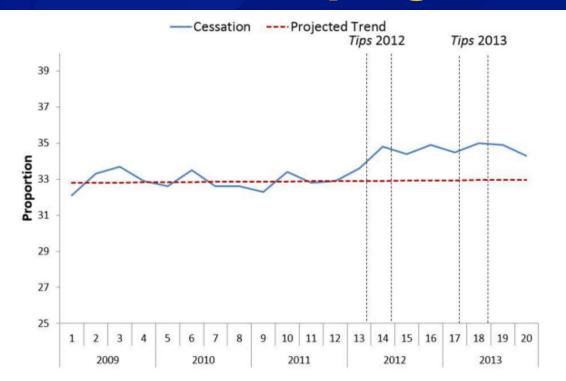
- Adolescent cigarette use tends to precede initiation of other drugs
- Nicotine primes animals to self-administer other substances (cocaine) but not the reverse
  - Nicotine encourages expression in the reward circuit of FOSB, a gene involved in learning processes. This makes it easier for other drugs to teach users' brains to repeat use
- Smoking seems to both enhance and prolong the pleasure of other non-drug related activities.

Kandel ER, Kandel DB. Shattuck Lecture. A molecular basis for nicotine as a gateway drug. N Engl J Med. 2014 Sep 4;371(10):932-43. https://blogs.scientificamerican.com/observations/recent-research-sheds-new-light-on-why-nicotine-is-so-addictive/

# Tobacco Cessation: Sex/Gender Differences

- Smoking a cigarette with nicotine, as compared to a de-nicotinized cigarette, alleviated the symptoms of withdrawal and negative mood to a greater extent in men than women.
- Women obtained equal relief from cigarettes with and without nicotine, suggesting that they found the drug less rewarding than men.
- Women may have difficulty quitting is post-cessation weight gain.
- The overall lower cessation rate for women may reflect sex differences in response to particular medications
  - Varenicline has greater short- and immediate-term efficacy (at 3 and 6 months) among women smokers. However, women and men show similar 1-year quit rates when using varenicline. In contrast, a combination of varenicline plus bupropion was less effective for cessation among women compared with men.
  - https://nida.nih.gov/publications/research-reports/tobacco-nicotine-e-cigarettes/are-there-genderdifferences-in-tobacco-smoking

# Tobacco Cessation: Public Health Campaigns

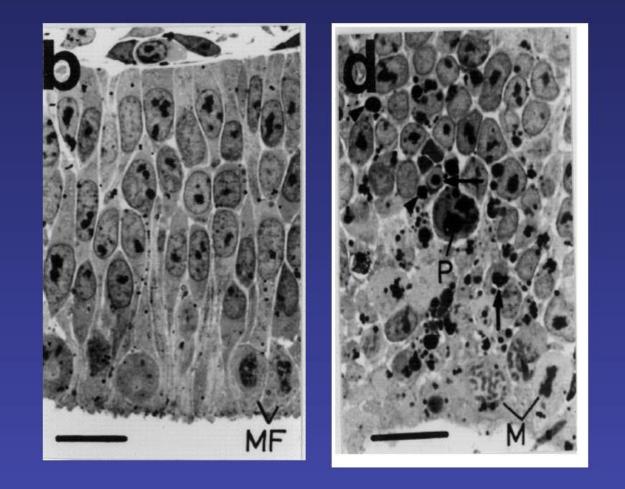


#### Year and Quarter of Birth

<sup>a</sup> The percentage of women **who reported smoking >0 clgarettes per day for the three months before pregnancy** and then reported smoking 0 cigarettes per day during the third trimester of pregnancy.

<sup>b</sup>Projected cessation trend using general linear models and pre-campaign data from January 1, 2009 through March 18, 2012, and extrapolated for 2012-2013 (intercept= 32.8; slope = 0.009). The *Tips* 2012 campaign ran from March 19-June 10, 2012, and *Tips* 2013 ran from March 4-June 24, 2013.

#### **Effects During Neural Tube Stage**



Slide courtesy of Theodore Slotkin

Harm reduction is a set of practical strategies and ideas aimed at reducing negative consequences associated with drug use. Harm Reduction is also a movement for social justice built on a belief in, and respect for, the rights of people who use drugs. Harm Reduction Coalition

http://harmreduction.org/about-us/principles-of-harm-reduction/

Harm reduction refers to policies, programmes and practices that aim to reduce the harms associated with the use of psychoactive drugs in people unable or unwilling to stop. The defining features are the focus on the prevention of harm, rather than on the prevention of drug use itself, and the focus on people who continue to use drugs.

#### **Harm Reduction International**

#### http://www.ihra.net/what-is-harm-reduction

Harm reduction is a public health philosophy and intervention that seeks to reduce the harms associated with drug use and ineffective drug policies. A basic tenet of harm reduction is that there has never been, and will never be, a drug-free society. **The Drug Policy Alliance** 

http://www.drugpolicy.org/about-drug-policy-alliance

- A harm reduction strategy needs to target addicted users, be conducted under rules established by health/ governmental agencies whose only interest is to reduce harm, and includes the following critical elements:
- Scientific review concluding that that a product will/is highly likely to reduce a tobacco user's health risk and result in an overall public health benefit <u>under the conditions that the products will</u> <u>be marketed</u>, distributed and used.
- Measures in place to provide smokers with accurate information about what products/treatments have been determined to be effective at helping smokers quit and/or reduce the health risks for those smokers who can't or won't quit smoking tobacco products.

TFK fact sheet <a href="https://www.tobaccofreekids.org/what-we-do/industry-watch/e-comparentes/?utm\_medium=ads&utm\_source=GoogleSearch&utm\_content=E-CigaretteKeywords&utm\_campaign=AlwaysOnSearch-2022&gclid=Cj0KCQiAi8KfBhCuARIsADp-A576gtOm2mdKPOog4LkcScblL-FUCCtwT\_goxP2SpwOFfHlvDjEzUXAaAnkiEALw\_wcB">https://www.tobaccofreekids.org/what-we-do/industry-watch/e-comparentes/?utm\_medium=ads&utm\_source=GoogleSearch&utm\_content=E-CigaretteKeywords&utm\_campaign=AlwaysOnSearch-2022&gclid=Cj0KCQiAi8KfBhCuARIsADp-A576gtOm2mdKPOog4LkcScblL-FUCCtwT\_goxP2SpwOFfHlvDjEzUXAaAnkiEALw\_wcB</a>

- Regulation of product packaging, marketing and health claims to prevent misleading claims.
- Distribution of the less harmful product is part of an intervention designed by health professionals.
- Distribution and surveillance are monitored by appropriate health authorities.
- A recognition that government-approved nicotine replacement therapies such as patches and gum can safely help smokers quit
- Instructions for use so the product is used in ways that reduce harm and/or increase the ability of a smoker to successfully quit smoking and does not increase nicotine dependence.

TFK fact sheet https://www.tobaccofreekids.org/what-we-do/industry-watch/e-

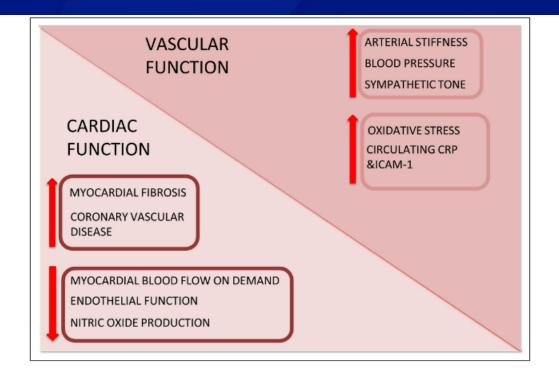
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#### **Genuine harm reduction does NOT:**

- Allow for the addictive product to be sold in settings accessible to the general public and without instructions for how to use the product most effectively.
- Include marketing that makes the product appealing to individuals not already addicted.
- Lead youth or other non-tobacco users to initiate use of the addictive product.
- Permit the industries that profits from causing the problem and sustaining the use of the more harmful product to drive the solution or control distribution of the alternative product.

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### **Health Effects of Vaping**



**Figure 2.** Schematic representation of known cardiac and vascular effects of vaping on heart and vascular function. Cardiac effects include increased myocardial fibrosis and coronary vascular disease, coupled with decreased myocardial blood flow, endothelial function, and nitric oxide production. Vascular effects include increased arterial stiffness, blood pressure, and sympathetic tone, along with elevated oxidative stress and inflammation. CRP indicates C-reactive protein; and ICAM-1, intracellular adhesion molecular-1.

<u>Cardiopulmonary Consequences of Vaping in Adolescents: A Scientific Statement From the American Heart Association</u> Loren E. Wold, Robert Tarran, Laura E. Crotty Alexander, et al. on behalf of the American Heart Association Council on Basic Cardiovascular Sciences; Council on Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis and Vascular Biology; Council on Hypertension; and Stroke Council

# Why Girls and Women?

### Addiction characteristics differ

- Neuroimaging studies suggest that smoking activates men's reward pathways more than women's
- Men may smoke for the reinforcing effects of nicotine, women smoke to regulate mood
- Women experience stronger craving in response to stress, but men may be more responsive to environmental cues

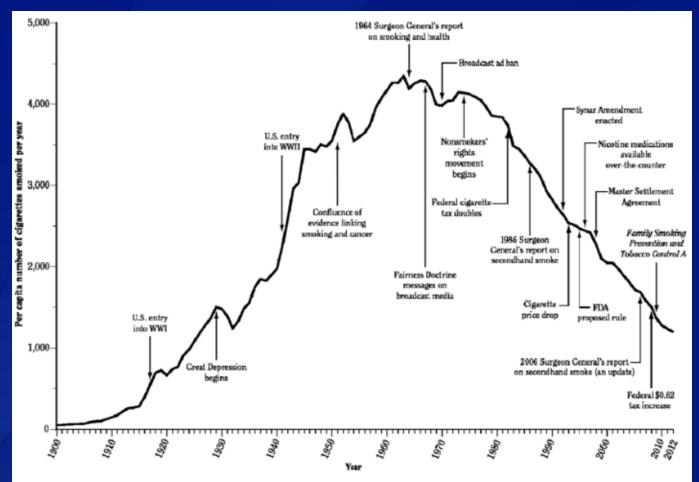
### Barriers to quitting differ

- Men and women appear to be similar in quit attempts
- Women less likely to quit
  - Might be due in part to concerns about weight gain

E-cigarette use in female youth now exceeds that in male youth

NEED reference—SGR?

### **How Did We Get Here?**



Sources: Adapted from Warner 1985 with permission from Massachusetts Medical Society, ©1985; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 1989; Creek et al. 1994; U.S. Department of Agriculture 2000; U.S. Census Bureau 2013; U.S. Department of the Treasury 2013.

Adults ≥18 years of age as reported annually by the Census Bureau.

Ward, Kenneth. (2017). Reflections on 15 Years in the Global Tobacco Trenches. Health Behavior Research. 1.10.4148/2572-1836.1007.

# Industry Messages Haven't Changed...



Our products

Our portfolio

- Reduced-risk products\*†
- Tobacco heating products
- Vapour products
- Modern oral products
- Understanding the comparative risks of our products
- Nicotine explained

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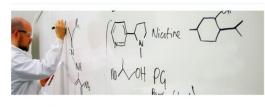
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#### Nicotine explained

Answers to some frequently asked questions about nicotine



It is now widely acknowledged that it is the toxicants in the smoke produced when tobacco is burned – and not the nicotine – which cause most of the serious health risks associated with conventional cigarettes.

#### Is nicotine harmful?

Because nicotine is so closely associated with smoking we understand why some people may think it is responsible for many of the harmful effects of smoking. Consuming nicotine is not completely risk free. Rapid absorption of a large dose through skin contact or oral ingestion can cause severe reactions requiring medical attention and poses risk of fatality in children, animals or nighty vulnerable persens. However, at typical recreational doses it is usually safe for healthy adults. It is now widely acknowledged that the cause of most the of serious health risks associated with conventional cigarettes is the toxicants in the emoke produced when tobacco is burned – and not the nicotine.

#### Is nicotine addictive?

#### What are the effects of using nicotine?

i any nicotine product

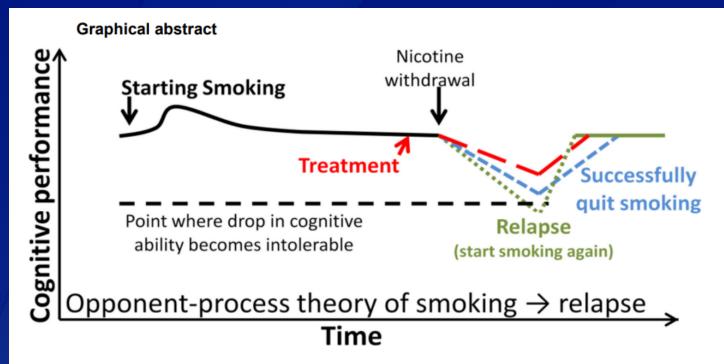
First-time users of nicotine often experience dizziness and/or nausea. After becoming accustomed to using nicotine, effects have been reported to range from helping adults to relax to acting as a stimulant. Other reported effects include improvements in mood and concentration. Nicotine can cause acute increases in heart rate and blood pressure. As a result, reduced-risk nicotine \*† products are not suitable people with heart conditions, severe hypertension or diabetes. Also, nicotine use has been linked with adverse outcomes in pregnancy, so women should consult with their doctor before using any nicotine product during pregnancy.

#### https://www.bat.com/nicotine# (accessed 9/10/23).

### Safer, Acceptable Cigarettes Ads Targeting Women



### **Nicotine Withdrawal**



Affective and Cognitive impairments, either premorbid in origin, or associated with nicotine withdrawal (as described above) contribute to nicotine dependence. Greater consideration of these processes, and the potential role of negative reinforcement, needs to be incorporated into animal models of nicotine dependence.

Hall FS, Der-Avakian A, Gould TJ, Markou A, Shoaib M, Young JW. Negative affective states and cognitive impairments in nicotine dependence. Neurosci Biobehav Rev. 2015 Nov;58:168-85.

# **Health Effects from E-cigarettes**

- Cigarette smoking and e-cigarette use both cause endothelial dysfunction, although through different mechanisms
- Dual product use may be worse for respiratory and vascular health than using either alone.
- Studies of health effects of e-cigarette use during pregnancy have generated mixed findings, animal studies raise additional concerns.

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# **Pregnancy and E-cigarettes**

Table 2 ENDS and cigarette use by timing related to pregnancy, PRAMS, 2016-2019					
	2016	2017	2018	2019	$p^{a}$
	n=35,994	n=38,549	n=44,638	n=45,201	
	N=2,027,327	N=1,950,071	N = 2,204,706	N=2,332,161	
	% (95% CI)	% (95% CI)	% (95% CI)	% (95% CI)	
ENDS and cigarette use <sup>b,c</sup>					
Dual use of ENDS and cigarettes					
During the 3 months before pregnancy	2.8 (2.5-3.1)	2.6 (2.4-2.9)	2.6 (2.3-2.8)	2.6 (2.4-2.9)	0.284
During the last 3 months of pregnancy	0.7 (0.6-0.8)	0.7 (0.6-0.8)	0.7 (0.6-0.9)	0.7 (0.5-0.8)	0.995
ENDS only <sup>d</sup>					
During the 3 months before pregnancy	0.8 (0.7-1.0)	1.1 (0.9-1.3)	1.2 (1.1-1.4)	1.6 (1.5-1.9)	< 0.001
During the last 3 months of pregnancy	0.4 (0.3-0.5)	0.4 (0.3-0.5)	0.5 (0.4-0.6)	0.6 (0.5-0.7)	0.012
Cigarettes only <sup>d</sup>					
During the 3 months before pregnancy	14.2 (13.7-14.8)	15.0 (14.5-15.6)	14.1 (13.6-14.6)	12.5 (12.0-13.0)	< 0.001
During the last 3 months of pregnancy	7.0 (6.6–7.4)	7.5 (7.1–7.9)	7.2 (6.8–7.6)	6.2 (5.8-6.6)	0.002

Head SK, Zaganjor I, Kofie JN, Sawdey MD, Cullen KA. Patterns and Trends in Use of Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems Before and During Pregnancy: Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System, United States, 2016-2019. J Community Health. 2022