

# Smokeless Tobacco and other Non-Cigarette Products

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# **Objectives**

- Review NCTP definitions & products
- Discuss prevalence/trends of NCTP
- Identify tools to assess dependence on smokeless tobacco products
- Discuss strategies for addressing this addiction, including pharmacotherapy and counseling



### **NCTP Definitions & Products**









# **Pipes**









### Cigars











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### Cigar Definition

U.S. Department of Treasury (1996):

#### Cigar



"Any roll of tobacco wrapped in leaf tobacco or any substance containing tobacco."

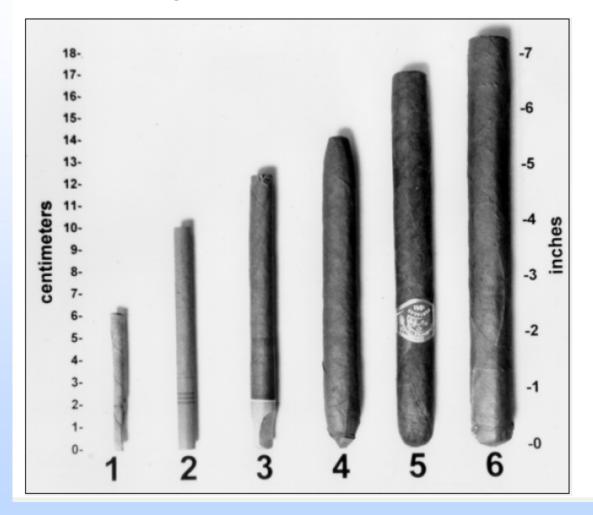
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#### <u>Cigarette</u>

"Any roll of tobacco wrapped in paper or in any substance not containing tobacco."



Types of cigars on the U.S. Market in 1996: (1) bidi (imported from India), (2) little cigar with filter tip, (3) small cigar with plastic mouth piece, (4) regular cigar, (5) and (6) premium cigar.





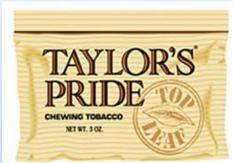


Rooster















#### **Smokeless Tobacco**

#### Chewing tobacco

- Loose leaf (i.e., Redman)
- Plugs
- Twists

#### Snuff

- Moist (i.e., Copenhagen, Skoal)
- Dry (i.e., Honest, Honey bee, Navy, Square)









### "Chewing Tobacco" = Cut tobacco leaves





## "Snus" = Moist ground tobacco





### "Spitless Tobacco" - Star Scientific







### RJ Reynold's







"Swedish Style" ST





### Phillip Morris (Altria)





## "Fully Dissolvables"





#### Tobacco-less Nicotine Product - Altria

Package of 16 discs, each containing about 1.5 milligrams of nicotine = \$3

Virginia test market

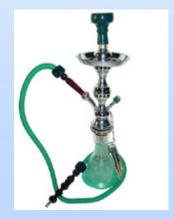






### Waterpipe

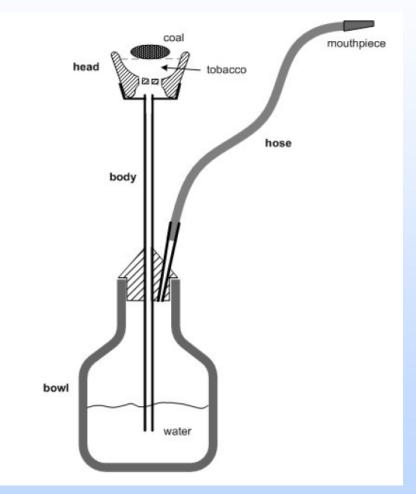
- Use dates back 4 centuries in Asia & Africa
- Typically consumed socially with friends and family
- Becoming trendy in US among youth
- Hookah "cafes" gaining popularity
- Smoke described as smoother and more flavorful
- Often (mis)perceived as healthier alternative due to water filtration, cooler mouth feel, and reduced irritation





### Anatomy of a Waterpipe







#### Types of Waterpipe Tobacco

- Maasel/Mu'essel
   Combination of tobacco and molasses, honey or fruit
- Tumbak/Ajami
   Dark tobacco paste
- Jurak
   Combination of tobacco and fruits, oils, honey or molasses. May be flavored or flavorless
- Moist tobacco 

   requires charcoal to keep burning



Hookah tobacco

Charcoal





Source: Knishkowy & Amitai. (2005). Pediatrics, 116, e113-e119.



# **ENDS**:

Electronic
Nicotine Delivery
Systems

aka

"E-cigarettes"





### **ENDS**

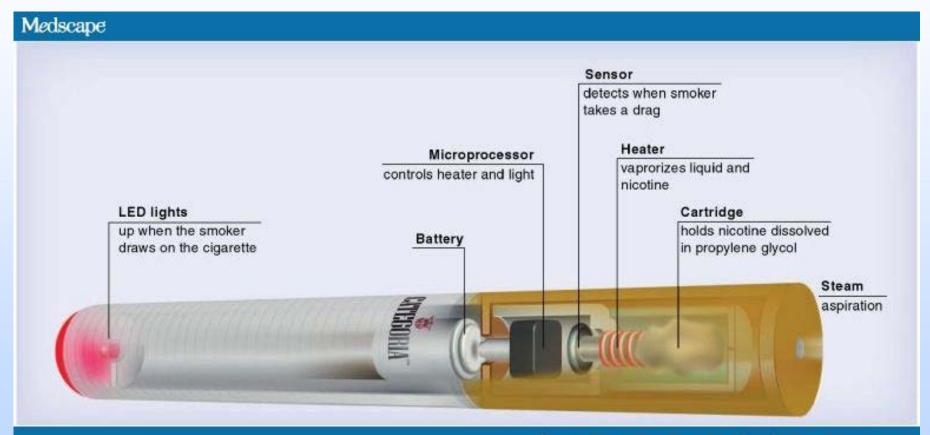
A battery-powered device that provides inhaled doses of vaporized nicotine solution. It is used as an alternative to smoked tobacco products, such as cigarettes, cigars, or pipes.

# "Vaping"





#### **ENDS: Basic Structure**

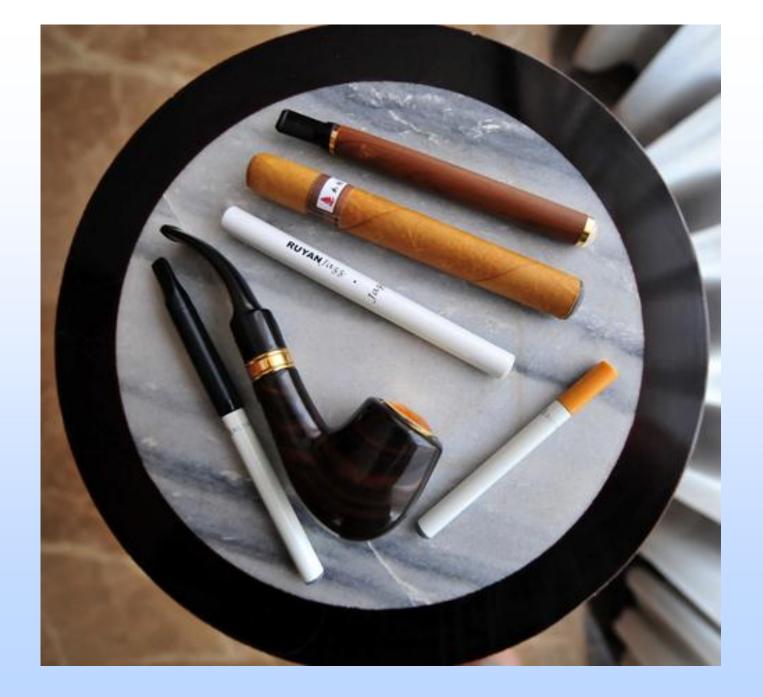










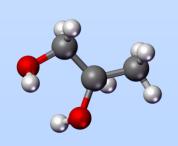




### **ENDS** – Liquid Solution Composition

Substance	Recipe 1	Recipe 2	Recipe 3	Recipe 4	Recipe 5
Propylene glycol	85%	80%	90%	80%	<65%
Nicotine	6%	4%	2%	0.1%	<3%
Glycerol	2%	5%	-	5%	<20%
Tobacco essence	-	4%	4.5%	1%	<5%
Essence	2%	-	1%	1%	<5%
Organic acid	1%	-	_	2%	<1%

Propylene glycol: pharmaceutical solvent, food additive, moisturizer (cosmetics & toothpaste), hand sanitizer, non-toxic antifreeze, deodorants, aircraft de-icer.



### "E-Juice" or "Smoke Juice"

Total nicotine = 720 mg

- Lethal nicotine dose =
- 40–60 mg (0.5-1.0 mg/kg)





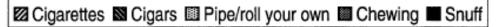
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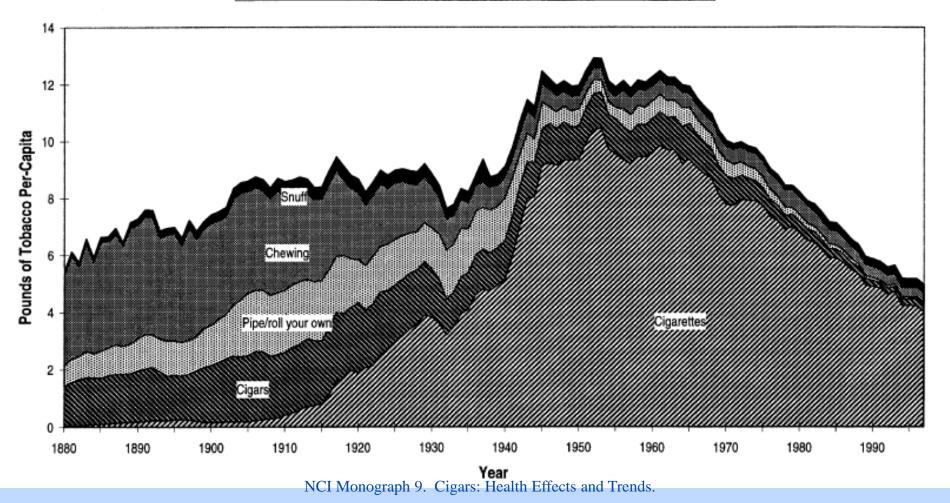




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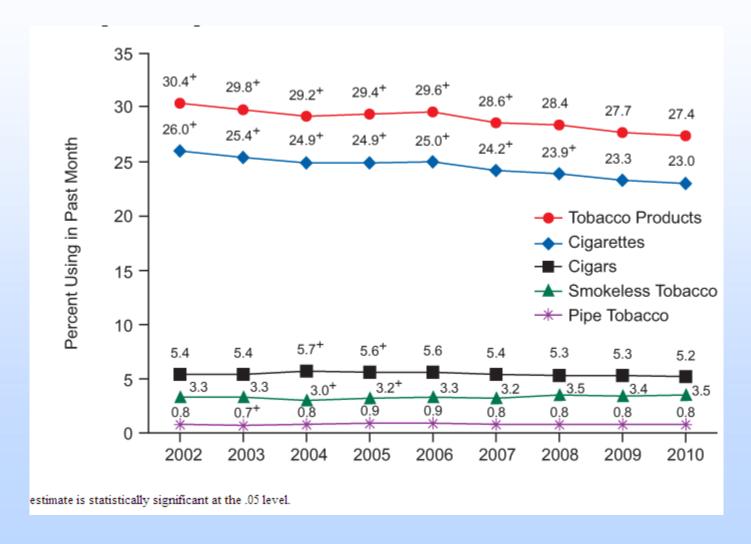
#### Per-capita consumption of different forms of tobacco in the US 1880-1997







# Past Month Tobacco Use among Persons Aged 12 or Older







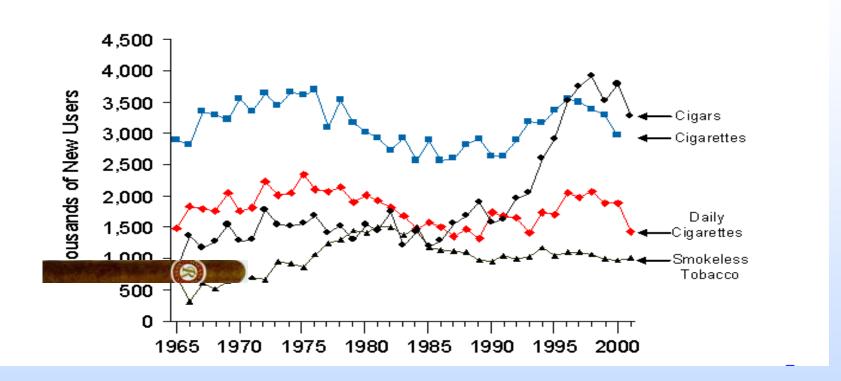


# Cigar Smoking



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Figure 6.4 Annual Numbers of New Users of Tobacco: 1965–2001

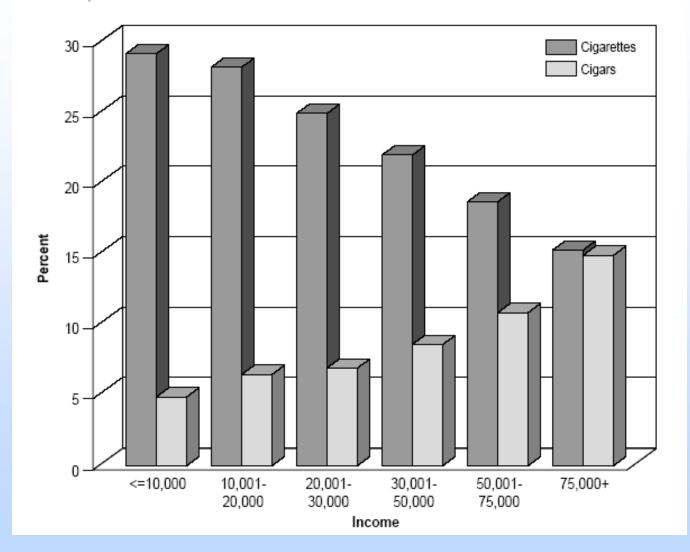


< 18 years of age group constituted an increasingly greater proportion of the number of new cigar smokers:

SAMHSA, Office of Applied Studies, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2002. The Monitoring the Future Study, University of Michigan, 2001 and 2002.



#### Prevalence of current cigarette and cigar smoking among California males of different incomes, 1996





NCI Monograph 9. Cigars: Health Effects and Trends.

#### SAMSHA

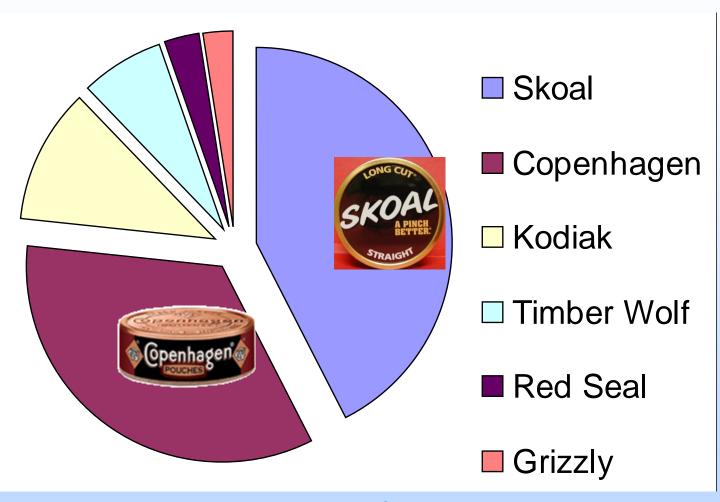
Percentages of
Persons Aged 12 or
Older Using
Smokeless Tobacco in
the Past Month, by
Demographic and
Geographic
Characteristics: 2002
to 2007



Demographic and Geographic Characteristic	Past Month	
Age Group in Years		
12 to 17	2.2%	
18 to 25	5.0%	
26 or Older	3.0%	
Gender		
Male	6.2%	
Female	0.4%	
Race/Ethnicity		
White	4.1%	
Rlack or African American	1.4%	
American Indian or Alaska Native	7.1%	
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2.9%	
Asian	0.6%	
Hispanic or Latino	0.9%	
Two or More Races	2.9%	
County Type		
Large Metropolitan	1.9%	
Small Metropolitan	3.7%	
250,000 to 1 Million Population	3.2%	
<250,000 Population	4.7%	
Non-Metropolitan	6.6%	
Urbanized	5.5%	
Less Urbanized	7.1%	
Completely Rural	8.4%	
Region		
Northeast	1.7%	
Midwest	3.7%	
South	4.2%	
West	2.4%	



#### **Preferred Snus Products**



National Survey on Drug Use and Health











#### Waterpipe

- After cigarettes, waterpipe use is the most common form of tobaccouse among university students
- Predominantly young, males
- 30% ever use & 8.4% current use
- Used in a social context
  - More common in fraternities/sororities
- Most smoked < 2 years</li>
  - 10% daily
- Most perceive less addictive and harmful
  - 67% said "cigarettes more harmful"









- In 2009, FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation, Division of Pharmaceutical Analysis (DPA) analyzed:
  - 2 samples of electronic cigarettes & components from two leading brands
    - 18 of the flavored, nicotine, and no-nicotine cartridges
  - Nicotine inhaler (control)











- DPA's analysis:
  - Diethylene glycol in one cartridge @ 1%
    - Ingredient used in antifreeze & toxic to humans
  - Tobacco-specific nitrosamines (TSNA's) in 1/2 of samples
    - Human carcinogen
  - Tobacco-specific impurities detected in a majority of the samples tested
    - May be harmful to humans







- E-cigarette cartridges labeled as "no nicotine"
  - Low levels of nicotine present in all cartridges tested, except one.
- 3 different E-cigarette cartridges
  - Same label
  - Markedly different amount of nicotine with each puff.
  - Range: from 26.8 to 43.2 mcg nicotine/100 mL puff
- One high-nicotine cartridge delivered 2 x as much nicotine as the nicotine inhaler

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#### **ENDS**

- "E-cigarettes"- electronic nicotine delivery systems
- Deliver nicotine solution by heating and vaporizing for inhalation
- Safety concerns have been raised
- No evidence to support use as a treatment to help smokers stop smoking
- Legal status in the US
   regulated as tobacco
  - FDA yet to reveal regulations





### Health Impact of NCTP

#### Adjusted relative risk\* (95% CI)



	'Sustainers'													
Deaths from	Never smoked													
Men (n=16 932 aged 20-49 years)														
All causes	1.00	1.99 (1.73 to 2.27)	2.44 (2.27 to 2.62)											
Ischaemic heart disease	1.00	3.07 (2.35 to 4.00)	3.17 (2.69 to 3.73)											
Stroke	1.00	1.54 (0.84 to 2.82)	2.30 (1.71 to 3.11)											
Cardiovascular disease	1.00	2.49 (1.99 to 3.10)	2.81 (2.48 to 3.20)											
Lung cancer	1.00	10.32 (5.55 to 19.18)	16.78 (10.31 to 27.33)											
Other smoking related cancer	1.00	1.47 (0.99 to 2.18)	1.95 (1.59 to 2.38)											



#### **Disease Risks**

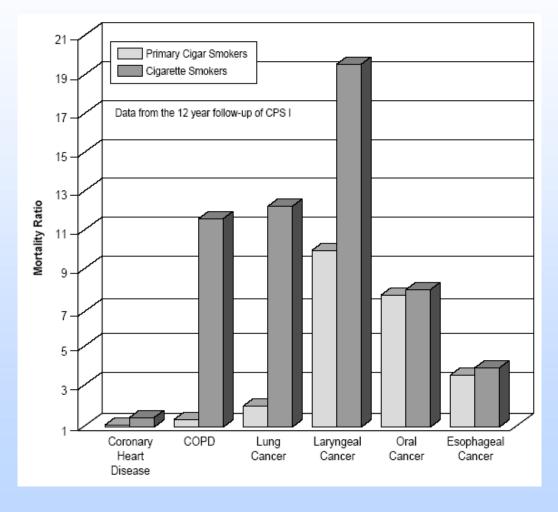


- Tar of cigar is more carcinogenic than cigarette smoke tar
- Morbidity and mortality correlates with:
  - +/- inhalation
  - depth of inhalation
  - number of cigars they smoke



## Mortality Ratios for Cigar & Cigarette Smokers vs. Never Smokers







#### ST – Health Consequences

Report on Carcinogens, 10th Edition, National Toxicology Program, USDHHS

Smokeless tobacco

"Known to be a human carcinogen"





#### ST - Oral Lesions

- Leukoplakia
- Oral cancer
- Dental disease
  - erosion of enamel
  - dental caries
- Periodontal Disease
  - gingival recession
  - soft tissue/hard tissue loss
  - gingivitis





#### Waterpipe – Health Effects

- 1-hour session involves inhaling 100-200 times volume of smoke from a single cigarette
- Smoke contains CO, heavy metals, and carcinogens
- Charcoal added to keep tobacco burning increases health risks
- Sharing = tuberculosis & hepatitis

WHO. TobReg Advisory Note. Waterpipe Tobacco Smoking

Google: "who tobreg water pipe"







Pharmacology



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# NCTP Bioavailability of Nicotine (aka "Smoke Yields")

<u>Type</u>	Nicotine (mg)
Cigarette (filter)	1.1
Pipe	5.2
Smokeless tobacco	
Chewing tobacco	4.5
Moist snuff	3.6
Cigars	
Little cigars, Swishers	3.8
Premium, Macanudo 22	13.3
4 mg nicotine gum	1.9



#### Smokeless Tobacco Nicotine "Content"

- 4.8 mg nicotine/gm of moist snuff x 30 gm/can = 144 mg
- 144 mg nicotine/(1.8 mg nicotine/cigarette) = 80 cigarettes
- 80 cigarettes/(20 cigarettes/pack) = 4 packs
- 1 can snuff = 4 packs of cigarettes
- ST Users are exposed to as much, and possibly more, daily nicotine than cigarette smokers













Table 1. Tobacco-specific nitrosamines, pH, total and unprotonated nicotine, and minor tobacco alkaloids in smokeless tobacco products.

							Alkaloids, mg/g dry weight										
		TSNAs <sup>a</sup> ,	μg/g dry	weight			Nicot	ine									
Product	NNNª	NNKª	NATª	NAB <sup>a</sup>	Total	pН	Total	Free	Nornicotine	Anatabine	Anabasine						
New products																	
Taboka																	
Original	1.05	0.077	0.370	$ND^b$	1.50	6.64	21.1	0.844	1.04	3.78	0.149						
Green	0.948	0.092	0.292	0.002	1.33	6.85	19.9	1.26	1.02	4.03	0.197						
Marlboro Snus																	
Rich	1.27	0.259	0.455	ND	1.98	6.83	17.8	1.08	0.438	2.60	0.111						
Mild	1.52	0.229	0.234	ND	1.98	6.47	12.8	0.350	0.484	1.82	0.072						
Spice	1.56	0.257	0.246	ND	2.06	6.85	17.9	1.13	0.411	2.17	0.097						
Mint	3.28	0.215	0.221	ND	3.72	6.58	20.0	0.701	0.454	1.97	0.063						
Camel Snus																	
Original	1.15	0.270	0.297	0.012	1.73	7.46	28.2	6.09	0.353	1.39	0.164						
Spice	1.27	0.157	0.305	0.015	1.75	7.75	25.4	9.16	0.314	1.09	0.183						
Frost	1.20	0.267	0.204	0.009	1.68	7.59	23.7	6.40	0.313	0.741	0.103						
Skoal Dry																	
Regular	3.57	0.360	0.478	ND	4.41	7.23	11.3	1.57	0.345	1.41	0.117						
Cinnamon	5.30	0.313	0.572	0.002	6.19	6.85	11.9	0.751	0.324	1.02	0.130						
Menthol	2.53	0.279	0.203	ND	3.01	7.18	11.9	1.51	0.386	1.37	0.127						
Mean for new products	2.05	0.231	0.323	0.008	2.61		18.5	2.57	0.490	1.95	0.126						
Traditional products																	
General Snus	1.66	0.464	0.969	0.008	3.10	7.95	16.7	7.69	0.223	0.367	0.072						
Copenhagen Snuff	5.12	1.40	1.12	0.152	7.79	7.45	23.0	4.88	0.248	1.43	0.150						
Copenhagen Long Cut	3.76	1.10	1.35	0.062	6.27	7.53	26.7	7.14	0.157	0.770	0.037						
Skoal Long Cut	4.66	1.64	1.59	0.074	7.96	7.51	25.6	6.03	0.233	1.02	0.049						
Kodiak Wintergreen	6.86	1.41	3.58	0.179	12.0	8.23	19.6	12.1	0.164	0.438	0.055						
Mean for traditional products	4.41	1.20	1.72	0.095	7.42		22.3	7.57	0.205	0.805	0.073						

Note. <sup>a</sup>Abbreviations: TSNAs, tobacco-specific N-nitrosamines; NNN, N'-nitrosonornicotine; NNK, 4-(methylnitrosamino)-1-(3-pyridyl)-1-butanone; NAT, N'-nitrosoanatabine; NAB, N'-nitrosoanabasine. <sup>b</sup>ND, not detected.



## ST Characteristics Affecting Nicotine Blood Concentrations

- Concentration of nicotine in ST product
- Size of the tobacco cuttings
  - Long cut
  - Fine cut (higher)
- Ammonium bicarbonate (additive)
  - Increased pH of product = higher free nicotine
- Acetic acid (additive)
  - Increases salivation enhances absorption







Current Recommendations for Treatment

### Pipes, Cigars, & Waterpipe









#### **Treatment Options**

#### Non-daily users

- Nicotine gum
- Nicotine lozenge
- Nicotine inhaler
- Nicotine nasal spray

#### Daily users

- Nicotine patch
- Bupropion SR
- Varenicline









### Smokeless Tobacco (ST)



#### Assessing Dependence in ST Users

#### Number of cans per week

- Strongest correlation with nicotine/cotinine blood concentrations
- Used for dosing guidelines





## Nicotine Patch Dosing Algorithm for ST Users

	Peak serum nicotine concentrations (ng/mL)	Cans or pouches per week	Patch dose
Low	0-10	< 2	14 mg/d
Intermediate	11-20	2-3	21mg/d
High	> 20	> 3	42 mg/d



Ebbert. JSAT. 2004





### **Bupropion SR: Dosing**

150 mg daily for 3-4 days then



150 mg twice a day for 3-4 days
THEN
STOP CHEWING



3 to 12 months - No taper needed







#### Snuff Substitutes

- Smokey Mountain®
- Golden Eagle®
- Oregon Mint®
- KIK IT®
- Jerky®
- Bacc-Off®





















#### Nicorette "Mini" – 2 mg/4 mg

Generic (large) lozenge

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### Nicotine Lozenge: Dosing

- Not to be chewed or swallowed whole
- Avoid eating or drinking food during and 15 minutes prior to use
- Monotherapy
  - 2 mg
    - First dip ≥ 30 min
    - < 3 cans/week</p>
  - 4 mg
    - First dip < 30 min
    - > 3 cans/week
- Combination may be optimal (patch)
- 1-2 lozenges every 1-2 hours
- Minimum of 9/day
- Taper over 12 weeks



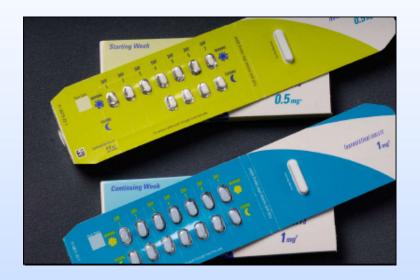
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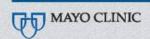
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  - 4 mg
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    - > 2 cans/week
- "Chew and Park"
- Combination with nicotine patch may be optimal



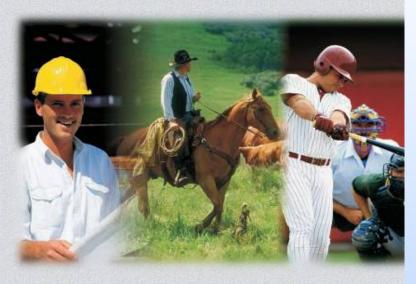
#### Varenicline (Chantix<sup>™</sup>) for Snus Users

- Norway (7 sites) & Sweden (9 sites)
- Male/female daily ST users
  - Use at least 8 times/day
- Randomized to:
  - Varenicline for 12 weeks
  - Placebo
- Biochemical confirmation of abstinence
  - Salivary cotinine > 15 ng/mL





#### **Your Path to Smokeless Tobacco Freedom**

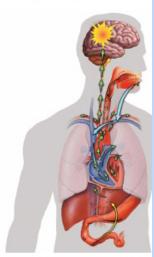


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#### Your brain and nicotine: The physical challenge of quitting

You use chew for many reasons. One main reason is because smokeless tobacco contains an addicting drug called nicotine. This is the substance that makes it so difficult to stop, even though you want to.



Nicotine from chewing tobacco is absorbed into your bloodstream mouth (blue arrows). Nicotine from swallowed tobacco juice is all small intestine and then passes through your liver before enter in arrows). Your heart pumps nicotine to your brain and the rest of

#### You're prepared! It's your quit day!

#### It's the start of your tobacco-free life

My Quit Date is:

In preparation for today, I will:

- Clean out my car
- ☐ Make plans with my support people
- ☐ Plan activities or projects
- ☐ Dispose of all tobacco (check my gym bag, glove compartment and other storage areas)
- ☐ Make an appointment to see clean my teeth
- ☐ Make an appointment to see prescriptions

  Buy the medications recomm
- ☐ Other:

You may find it I check mark next



CHEW CHECKS: Nee p these "these cheeks" associated to your timor pouch with a rutberband. Remove these cards by kilding and searing along the period sed lines.

Carry these with you and record each time you take a cheek — see page 17 for instructions.

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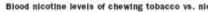
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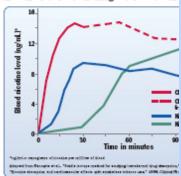
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Varenicline Available doses: 0.5 mg 1 mg

Comments:





Microtine in chewing tobacco is absorbed very rapidly and peaks within placement. Even after the chew is removed, ricotine is absorbed through the and small intestine. In comparison, the nicotine absorbed through the of the mouth (from gum) is absorbed much more slowly and often residualized with chewing tobacco.



Normal inside cheek





Snuff dipper pouch (where chew is placed)





#### Recommended ST Treatment Approach

- Bupropion SR
  - Weight gain delay
  - Craving reduction



- Craving reduction
- Short-term (end-of-treatment) abstinence
- Nicotine lozenge (short-term abstinence)
- Nicotine gum (craving reduction)
- Varenicline











## Treatment Not Recommended for ST Users

- Nicotine inhaler
  - Designed to replicate the tactile sensation of a cigarette

- Nicotine nasal spray
  - Speed of intranasal delivery designed to the speed of delivery of a cigarette



#### Goals & Objectives

Review NCTP definitions & products



- Discuss prevalence/trends of NCTP
- Describe NCTP pharmacology
- Discuss NCTP dependence measures/withdrawal
- Review recommended treatments for NCTP

