

Review of: "Population estimates of biomarkers of exposure to carbon monoxide, nicotine, and NNK in smokers and non-smokers"

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This is a valuable research which used an evidence-based approach to establish population level estimates for COHb, NEQ, and NNAL to differentiate between smokers, former smokers, and non-smokers. But the size of the sample determines the accuracy of the estimates. Gender, age, occupation, years of quitting smoking, etc. also affect the range of estimates. It is very necessary to provide relevant information and further in-depth analysis to exclude the influence of relevant factors.