

Review of: "Correlates of Nicotine Dependence Among Current Cigarette Smokers in Nigeria"

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In this manuscript, the authors identified that older age, male sex, and those with reduced harm perceptions about cigarette use had increased odds of moderate/severe ND.

The manuscript is professionally written, and the research question is pertinent; the authors describe the variables and statistical methods employed well.

I suggest including a brief comment about the validation of the Fagerstrom Nicotine Dependence Test for the Nigerian population. Please consider that some of these tests should be validated for specific populations; in case this does not apply to your study design, explain why. Also, describe the potential bias/limitations of including smokers from a center for Smoking Cessation Clinic; I mean, since these subjects are looking for help to quit cigarette smoking, they have a preconceived idea about the harmfulness of tobacco smoking.