

# Review of: "Role of Nicotine in RAS and Fibrosis Linked to Severe COVID-19 Manifestations"

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The topic would have been interesting but the quality of English language is not appropriate to highlight salient points. Further, the authors mention COVID-19 in the title but the entire discussion is based on the pathogenetic mechanisms of nicotine. Very little is actually discussed about the links between nicotine and COVID-19. The authors' suggestion that nicotine may be responsible for the multi organ failure of COVID-19 is also unsupported by current data, or at least not discussed by the authors.

Ideally they should change the title, improve the language significantly, reduce the initial part of the manuscript, discuss the interlinking between nicotine and COVID-19 comprehensively, and provide epidemiological evidence as to how much role nicotine has actually played in the morbidity and mortality of the COVID-19 pandemic.