# Are Chemical Constituents Exhaled in a Room Where e-Vapor Products are Used?

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# Passive Vaping Evidence Gaps

#### TOBACCO CONTROL



"Little is known about the environmental impact of e-cigarettes."

"A study evaluating the indoor air quality in other various locations (e.g., car, home, office, school and public indoor areas such as transit stations) during and after e-cigarette use provides important information about environmental impacts. This information should be collected using a representative sample of the e-cigarette products currently available."



# Questions to be Addressed

- What are the levels of e-vapor constituents in room air where e-vapor products are used?
- What is the exposure to e-vapor constituents in non-users?
- If there is measurable exposure to e-vapor constituents in non-users, what is the potential for harm from this level of exposure?



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# **ALCS Approach to Address These Questions**

- Review and monitor published literature
- Conduct studies to generate data
  - Two initial pilot studies
  - Controlled clinical study
- Develop a computational model to predict air levels of e-vapor constituents under different conditions
- Assess risk to non-users based on evidence collected from studies and model based predictions



# Study Design

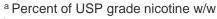
#### Objectives:

- 1. To evaluate the exhaled breath, room air and surface levels of selected constituents following the use of various types of e-vapor products and conventional cigarettes under controlled and *ad lib* conditions.
- 2. To generate input parameters for validation of a computational model
- Study Design
  - Open-label, single-center, observational study
- Study Participants (Total n=40)
  - Healthy males and females, 21 years and older
  - Current daily e-vapor users (n=20)
  - Current daily refillable tank users (n=10)
  - Current daily conventional cigarette smokers (n=10)



# Study Design

- Products Tested
  - MarkTen® 2.5%a Classic Electronic Cigarette (M10)
  - Prototype Electronic Cigarette 2.4%<sup>a,b</sup> (GS)
  - Ego-Tank and subjects' own e-liquids (Tank)
  - Conventional cigarettes, subjects' own cigarettes (CIG)
- Investigations
  - Exhaled Breath Samples (EBS)
  - Room Air Samples (RAS)
  - Surface Samples (SS)



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Similar to commercial GreenSmoke® electronic cigarettes



# **Study Conduct**

#### **Exposure Room**







Volume 113 m<sup>3</sup> Air exchange rate 2.25/hour



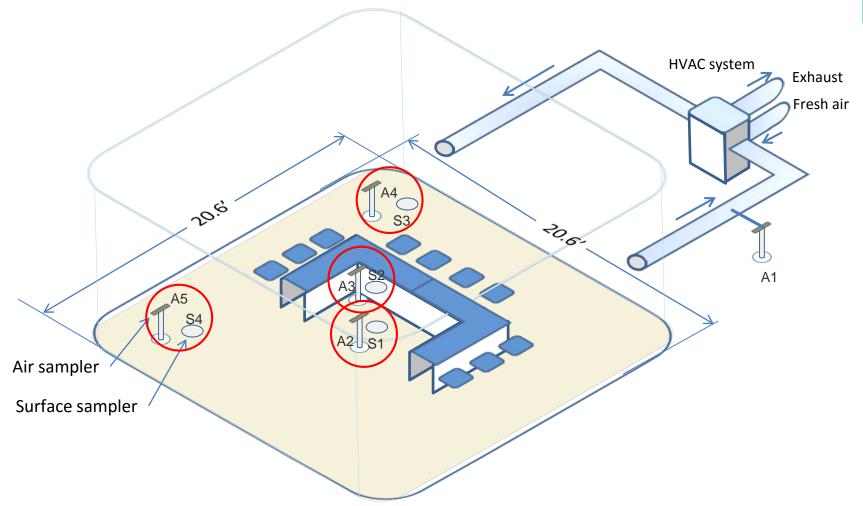
Clinical site for study conduct



Sample collection and analysis

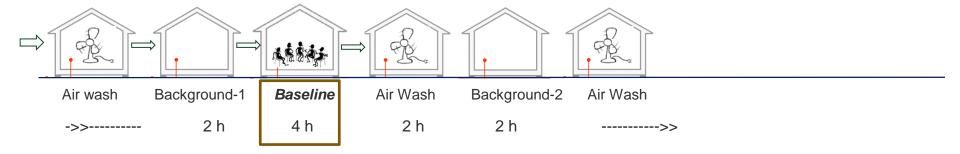


# **Sampling Stations**



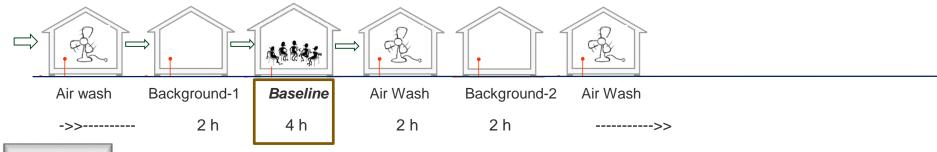


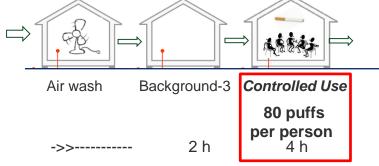
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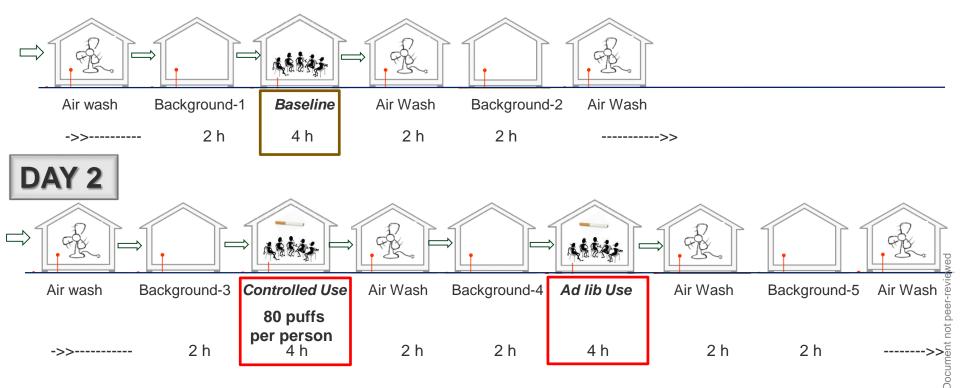






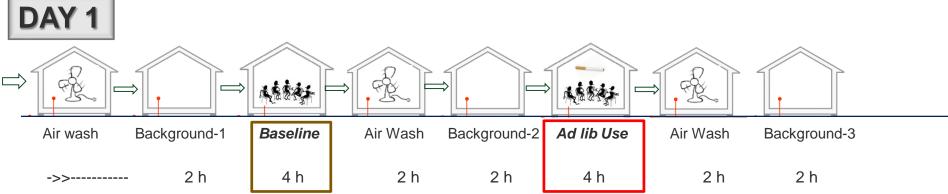
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#### DAY 1





# Sample Collection – Tank & Cig





# **Constituents Analyzed**

Constituent	EBS	RAS	SS		
Propylene glycol and glycerin (ISO 16200-1)					
nicotine propylene glycol glycerol	√ √ √	√ √ √	√ √ √		
Carbonyl compounds (ISO 16000-3 & EPA TO-11A)					
formaldehyde crotonaldehyde o-tolualdehyde acetaldehyde butyraldehyde (butanal) m&p-tolualdehyde acetone benzaldehyde propionaldehyde isovaleraldehyde hexanaldehyde (aka hexaldehyde) valeraldehyde 2, 5-dimethylbenzaldehyde methyl ethyl ketone (MEK) acrolein	√ √				

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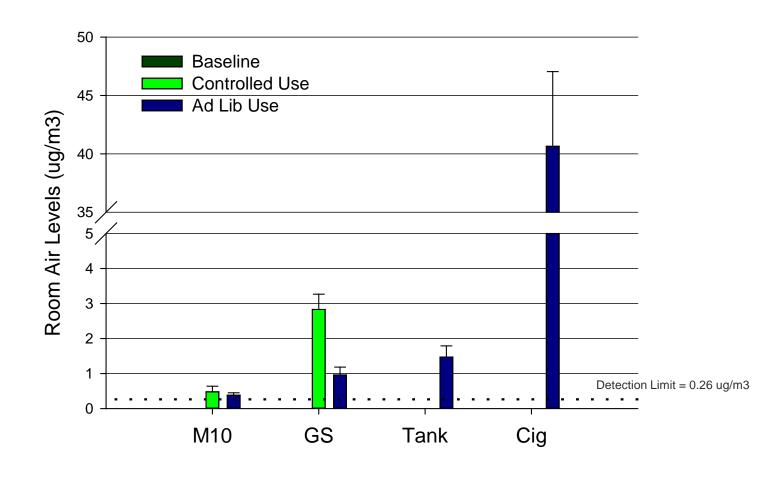
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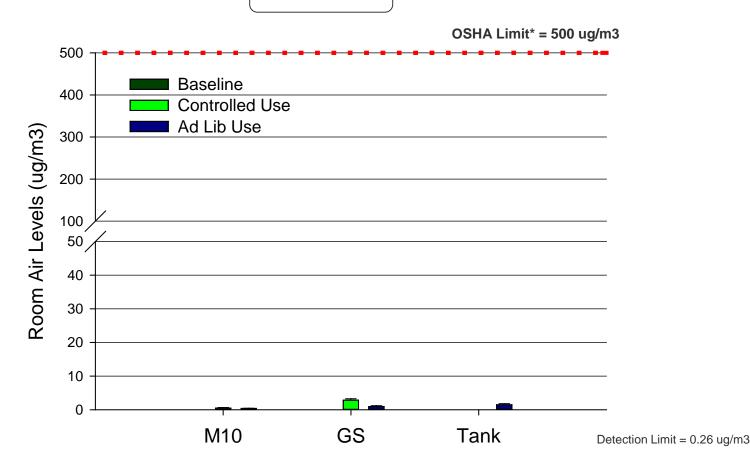


#### **Nicotine**





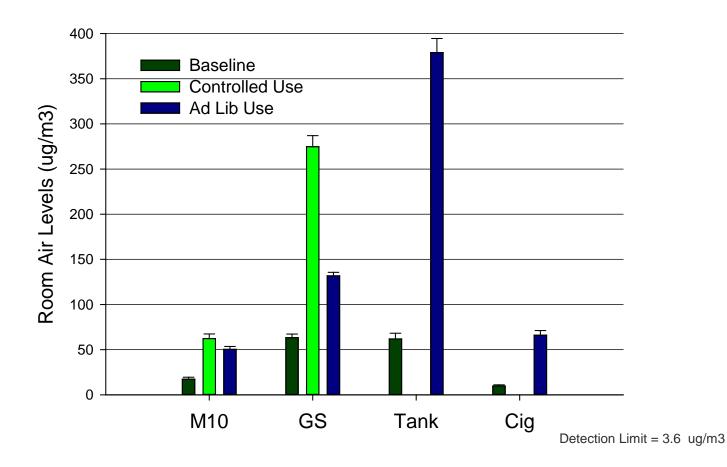
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<sup>\*</sup> Source: Occupational Safety and Health Administration Regulations (Standards – 29 CFR 1910.1000) Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants Value shown as 8-hour time weighted average permissible exposure limit

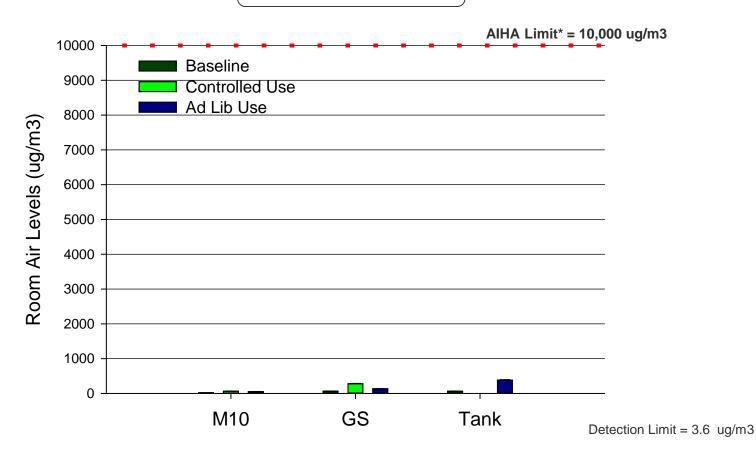


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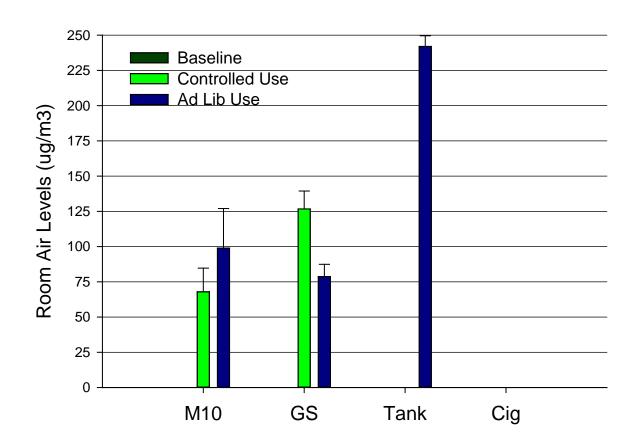
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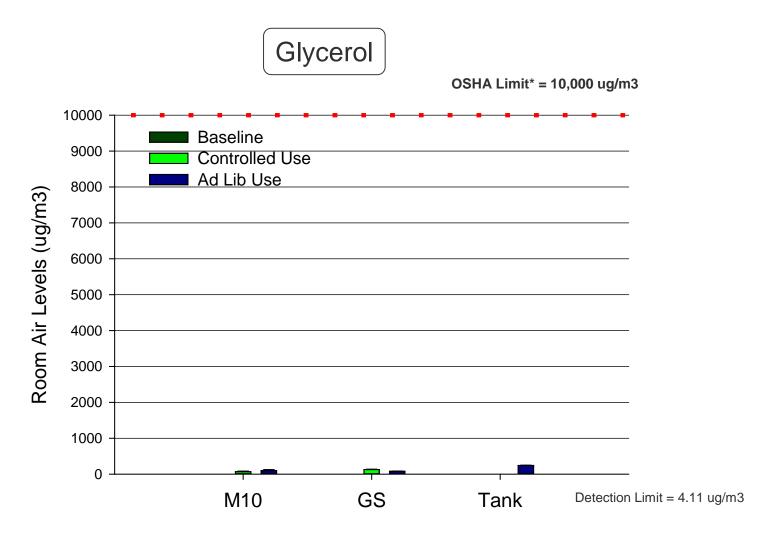
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Glycerol

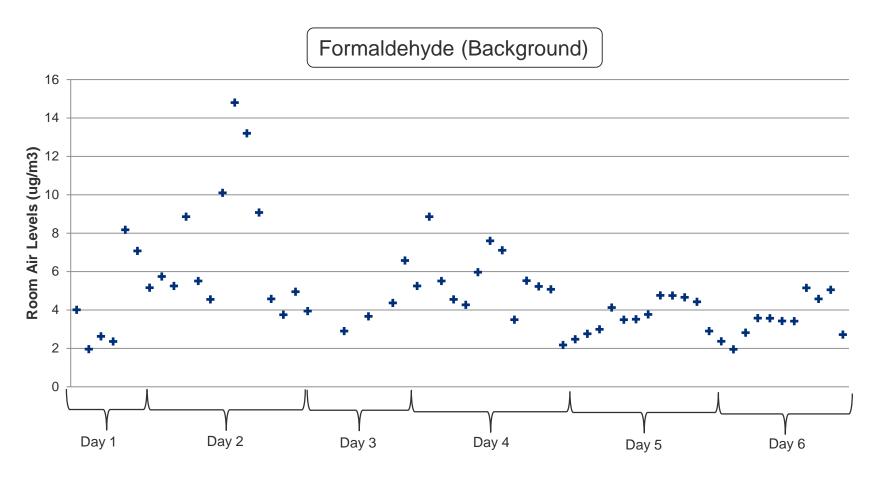


Detection Limit = 4.11 ug/m3

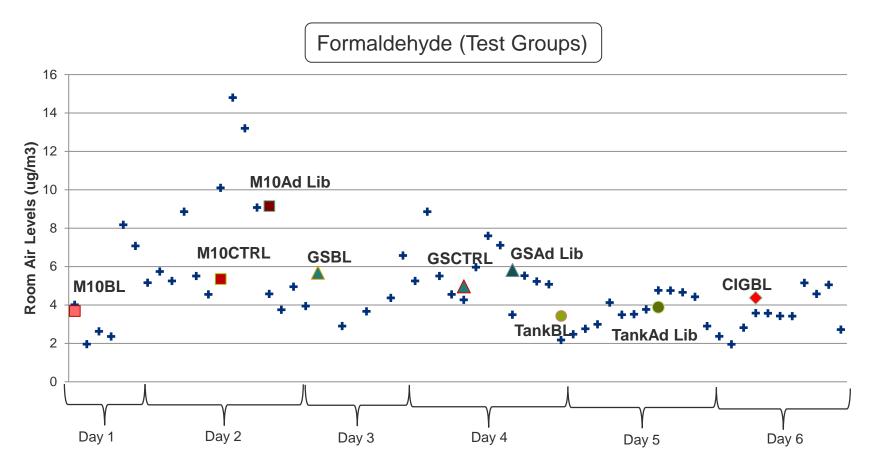








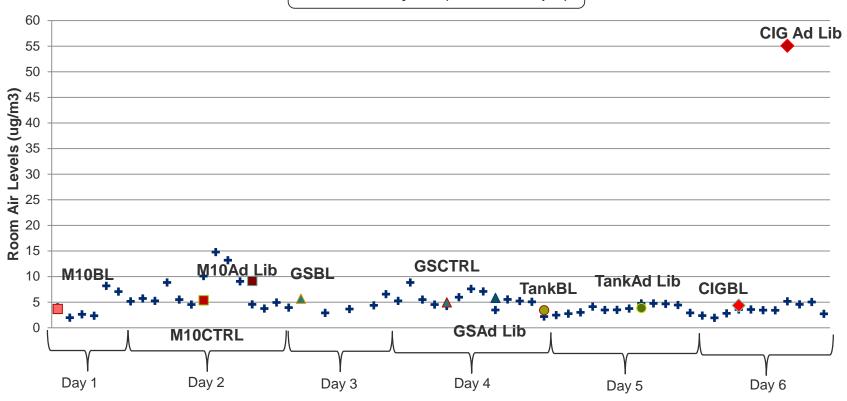




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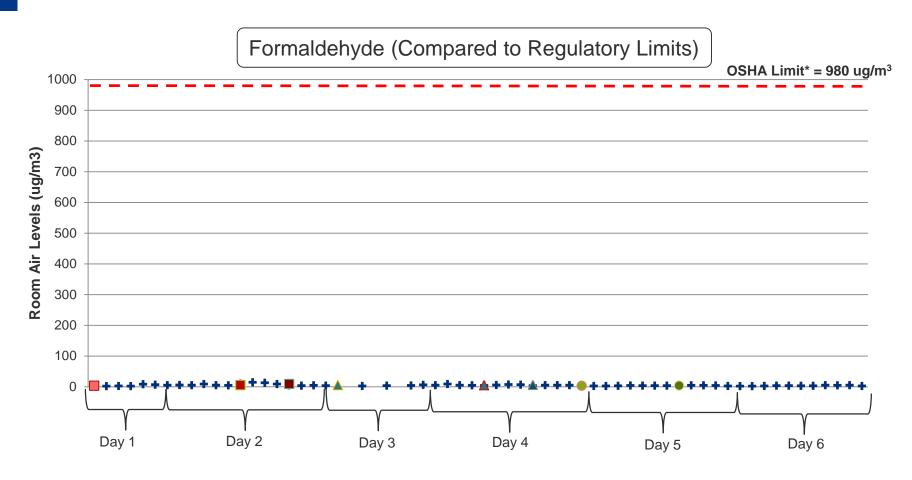


#### Formaldehyde (Test Groups)



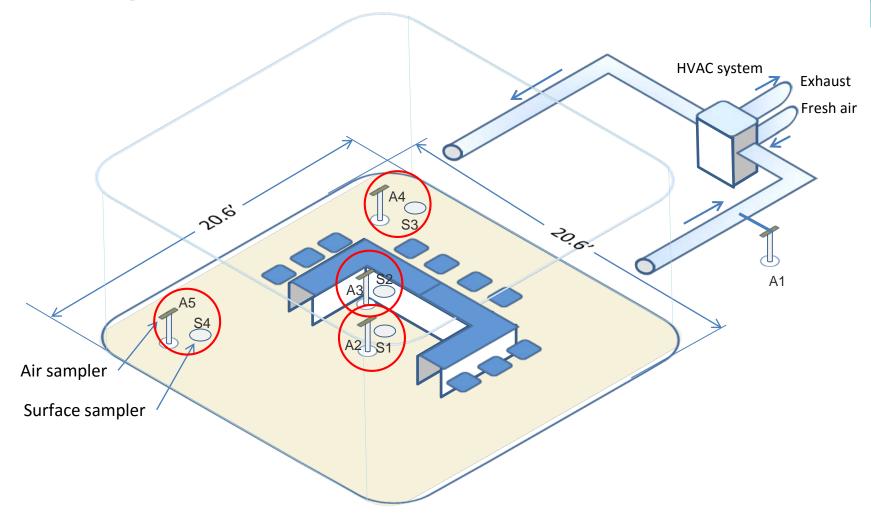
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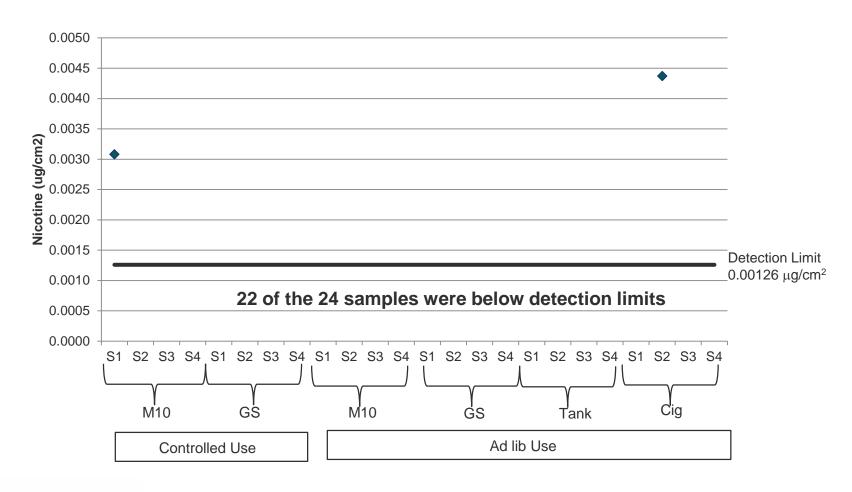
# **Sampling Stations**





# **Surface Sample Levels**

**Nicotine** 





#### **Conclusions**

- Under study conditions with the products tested
  - Room air levels of constituents during the use e-vapor products were several fold below the current occupational regulatory and consensus limits<sup>a</sup>
  - Surface sample results suggest that thirdhand exposure of non-users to nicotine is unlikely
- Further research is needed to determine the exposure to e-vapor constituents in non-users under different conditions of use and the potential for harm associated with this exposure

