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# ASSESSING THE EFFECTS OF REPEATED CIGARETTE SMOKE-EXPOSURE USING HUMAN ORGANOTYPIC SYSTEMS REPRODUCING THE RESPIRATORY TRACT IN VITRO

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# **Recapitulation of In Vivo Biology by Organotypic Systems**



# Human Organotypic Cultures of Primary Bronchial and Nasal Epithelial Cells

#### COMPARISON AT THE MORPHOLOGICAL LEVEL (ANALYSIS DONE ON UNTREATED TISSUES)



p63<sup>+</sup> basal cells

### Muc5AC<sup>+</sup> mucus secreting cells

#### Hematoxylin/Eosin





# Whole cigarette smoke/aerosol exposure system (Vitrocell®)



# Whole Smoke Repeated Exposure of Organotypic Cultures of Human Primary Bronchial and Nasal Epithelial Cells

Experimental Design						
HUMAN TISSUES	CONDITIONS	ENDPOINTS	0h	4h	24h	48h
BRONCHIAL MUCILAIR™ NASAL MUCILAIR™	SHAM CS 10% CS 16%	Cytotoxicity (LDH assay) Membrane Integrity (TEER) Gene Expression Profiles (Affymetrix) MicroRNA Expression Profiles (GeneChip) Histology (Alcian blue, H&E) Immunohistology (p63, Ki67, B-Tubulin, Muc5AC)	X X	X X	X X X X X X X	X X X X



## Whole Smoke Repeated Exposure of Organotypic Cultures of Human Primary Bronchial and Nasal Epithelial Cells





# **Xenobiotic Metabolism Network Model and Biological Perturbation Assessment**



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(Ref. Iskandar A. R. et al. BioMed Research International - In press)

# Nasal as a Surrogate for Bronchus – IN VIVO





Bronchial epithelium (GSE16008 dataset--smokers vs. non-smokers)

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Differential network backbone values - Organotypic Nasal



Nasal as a Surrogate for Bronchus – IN VITRO

### In Vivo/In Vitro Comparison in the Xenobiotic Metabolism Network Model



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# In Vivo/In Vitro Comparison



# **Top 10 Canonical Pathways Perturbed Over Post-Exposure Time and Over Dose in both Nasal and Bronchial Exposed Tissues**

GENE SET ENRICHMENT ANALYSIS

- AP-1 transcription factor network
  Validated transcriptional targets of AP1 family members Fra1 and Fra2
- Proteasome
  Metabolism of xenobiotics by cytochrome P450
- Aurora B signaling
- MAPK signaling pathway
- Direct p53 effectors
- Genes involved in Cell Cycle, Mitotic
- Genes involved in Cell Cycle
- Genes involved in Metabolism of RNA





# **Dose- and Time-dependent Release of Pro-inflammatory Markers in both CS-exposed Bronchial and Nasal Tissues**









# **CONCLUSIONS**

#### CS DOSE- AND TIME-DEPENDENCY EFFECTS



- Activation of AP-1 pathway or of the xenobiotic metabolism at early post-exposure time points (0h and 4h).
- Similar dose- and time-dependent regulation of the release of pro-inflammatory markers (VEGF, IL-8 and MMP-1).





- Up-regulation of genes involved in cell cycle only in nasal tissue culture 48h after exposure
  - ➡ recovery process specific to the nasal epithelium?

#### NASAL AS A SURROGATE FOR BRONCHUS



#### COMPARISON IN VIVO / IN VITRO





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