Biomonitoring of Smoke Constituents

Exposure to 4-Aminobiphenyl and 4-Aminobiphenyl hemoglobin Adduct Levels in Non-smokers and Smokers‡

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Objective

• 4-Aminobiphenyl (4-ABP) is a known human bladder carcinogen, present in both mainstream and sidestream cigarette smoke. Active smokers exhibit a several-fold (3-8 times) elevation in 4-aminobiphenyl hemoglobin (4–ABP–Hb) adduct levels compared to non-smokers

• Some publications have suggested that 4–ABP hemoglobin (4–ABP–Hb) adduct levels in non-smokers are a result of exposure to environmental tobacco smoke (ETS), whereas others could not confirm these observations

• Although it is clear that 4–ABP–Hb adduct levels are higher in smokers than non-smokers, the mixed results question whether the contribution of ETS as a source of 4–ABP in non-smokers can be quantified reliably in field studies
Outline

• Part 1: 4-ABP-Hb levels in Non-smokers
  – 4-ABP levels in ETS
  – 4-ABP levels in indoor air in workplaces, hospitality, and home environments
  – Approach to estimate exposure and uptake of 4-ABP
  – Monte Carlo simulation of 4-ABP adduct levels

• Part 2: 4-ABP-Hb adduct levels in Smokers

• Conclusions
Part 1: 4-ABP-Hb levels in Non-smokers
Step 1: Determine 4-ABP/ETS-RSP ratio

- Analytical measurement issues for 4-ABP in indoor air suggest the need for a surrogate constituent such as respirable suspended particles (RSP).
- Many population-based data are available for RSP attributable to ETS (ETS-RSP) in indoor environments (e.g., workplace, home, hospitality).
- Few data are available on 4-ABP levels (pg/m$^3$) in indoor environments.
- If the 4-ABP/ETS-RSP ratio is determined, then the ETS-RSP data ($\mu$g/m$^3$) can be used to estimate 4-ABP levels from ETS-RSP in indoor air.
- Mean value of 4-ABP/ETS-RSP ratio ($1.15 \pm 0.15 \times 10^{-6}$) was calculated from Tricker et al. 2009.
- Cumulative distributions of 4-ABP indoor levels can therefore be calculated from the distribution of ETS-RSP levels.

Example - 4-ABP levels in restaurants calculated from 4-ABP/ETS-RSP ratio

![Graph showing cumulative frequency of 4-ABP concentrations in restaurants where smoking is permitted.]

- **N = 206**
- **Mean = 143**
- **Median = 99.8**
- **S.D. = 147**
- **95th Percentile = 413**
Step 2: Toxicokinetics

Chronic exposure time-dependence of 4-ABP–Hb adduct levels ($A_{ss}$) with two models (see below) of elimination and the following parameter assumptions: $A_c = 0.14$ pg/g Hb d-1 (Sabbioni, 1992) (150 pg/d 4-ABP, $t_{er} = 120$ d, $k = 1.24 \times 10^{-2}$ d-1, 8% conversion to adduct)

**Zero Order**

$$A_{ss} = A_{t_{er}} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot A_c \cdot t_{er}$$  
Eqn. 1

**Zero and First Order**

$$A_{ss} = A_{t_{er}} = \frac{A_c}{k} \left( 1 - \frac{1 - e^{-kt_{er}}}{kt_{er}} \right)$$  
Eqn. 2

Step 3: Estimation of 4-ABP uptake and 4-ABP-Hb adduct formation

From experimental RSP values and the 4-APB/RSP ratio, one may estimate the 4-ABP concentrations in smoking environments (e.g., 32.5 pg/m$^3$) may be used along with breathing rates (e.g., 0.83 m$^3$/h), particle deposition fraction (e.g., 0.2), and exposure time (e.g., 15h/day) to obtain a point estimate for the 4-ABP dose from ETS exposure (81 pg/d):

$$32.5 \frac{pg}{m^3} \cdot 0.83 \frac{m^3}{h} \cdot 0.2 \cdot 15 \frac{h}{d} = 81 \frac{pg}{d} \quad \text{Eqn. 3}$$

A point estimate for the formation of 4-ABP-Hb adduct levels (0.46 pg/g Hb) from the exposure above can be calculated, using adduct formation efficiency (e.g., 8%), hemoglobin mass of adult man (e.g., 840 g), and erythrocyte halftime (e.g., 60 days):

$$\left( 81 \frac{pg}{d} \cdot 0.08 \frac{1}{840 \text{ g Hb}} \right) \cdot \frac{120}{2} d = 0.46 \frac{pg}{g \text{ Hb}} \quad \text{Eqn. 4}$$
### Step 4: Monte Carlo Simulation - Parameters used

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<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Mean</th>
<th>SD(±)</th>
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<th>UL*</th>
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<td>4-ABP/ETS-RSP Ratio</td>
<td>1.15x10⁻⁸</td>
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<td>4-ABP Absorption Efficiency (Particle Deposition)</td>
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<td>4-ABP-Hb formation (%)</td>
<td>8.00%</td>
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<td>Body Mass for Adult Male (GM and GSD)</td>
<td>76.8</td>
<td>1.18</td>
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*LL = Lower Limit; UL = Upper Limit; N = normal; LN = lognormal
Step 4: Monte Carlo Simulation - Hypothetical population

Monte Carlo simulation of estimated 4-ABP-Hb adduct levels (pg/g Hb) for employees in restaurants using experimental ETS-RSP Data. Mean: 1.44, median: 0.87, standard deviation: 1.79 pg/g Hb
### Step 4: Literature Data and Monte Carlo Simulation

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<td>35</td>
<td>28</td>
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<td>Estimated to arise from ETS exposure by the use of experimental RSP Data in homes where smoking occurs and a 4-ABP/RSP ratio of 1.15x10⁻⁶ (Jenkins et al., 1996)</td>
<td>0.62</td>
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<td>0.23</td>
<td>± 0.44</td>
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<td>1.44</td>
<td>0.87</td>
<td>± 1.79</td>
<td>4.63</td>
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Part 2: 4-ABP-Hb levels in Smokers
Step 1: Nicotine uptake distribution

Constituent to nicotine ratios across the various smoking behaviors have been shown to be relatively constant; thus, the determination of nicotine uptake can be used to estimate the uptake of other smoke constituents (Urban and Schorp, 2006)

Distribution of nicotine uptake per cigarette (median: 0.98 mg/cig, mean: 1.45 mg/cig) obtained by Monte Carlo simulation using nicotine biomonitoring data for a population of predominantly American-blended cigarette smokers (Scherer et al., 2007)


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**Step 2: Monte Carlo simulation of 4–ABP–Hb adducts in smokers**

Using mean, SD, LL, UL for 4–ABP/nicotine ratio in mainstream smoke, particle retention, particle retention factor and the factor for conversion of 4–ABP to 4–ABP–Hb adducts, a Monte Carlo simulation of the nicotine uptake distribution is applied to obtain the distribution of steady-state levels of 4–ABP–Hb adducts in smokers.

**Distribution of steady state 4-ABP-Hb adduct level (pg/g Hb):**

- Predicted - median: 73 pg/g Hb (blue)
- Statistically summarized from the literature – median 107 pg/g Hb (violet)
Conclusions

• Based on our toxicokinetic model, 4–ABP–Hb adduct levels from ETS exposure account for approximately 1% to 4% of the median levels reported for non-smokers, explaining, in part, contradictory literature data on 4-ABP-Hb adduct levels in non-smokers.

• Calculated 4–ABP–Hb adduct levels in smokers based on estimates of 4–ABP dose are in good agreement with the reported 4–ABP–Hb adduct levels in smokers, in part confirming the validity of the model.

• The known health effects of ETS are neither confirmed nor challenged and our conclusions are limited to the determination that ETS is not a major source of 4-ABP-Hb adduct levels in non-smoking adults exposed to ETS.
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## Literature Data and Monte Carlo Simulation - Smoker

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<td>131</td>
<td>107</td>
<td>±102</td>
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<td>Predicted based on smoker exposure to cigarette smoke using 4-ABP/nicotine ratios (Counts et al., 2005) and nicotine uptake distributions (Scherer et al., 2007)</td>
<td>86</td>
<td>73</td>
<td>±53</td>
<td>185</td>
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