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Special Issue on Tobacco Consumption Patterns

The epidemiology of smoking has evolved dramatically over the last decade, as it appears that cigarette consumption (cigarettes per day) is continuing to decline. Studies on the association between tobacco control interventions (place restrictions, increase excise taxes, establish secondhand smoke policies) and cigarette consumption patterns are rapidly emerging in the literature. Therefore, studies addressing specific research questions related to cigarette consumption are needed, especially since change in smoking prevalence has not been consistent across all groups in developed and developing countries (e.g., women, youth, low socioeconomic status, racial/ethnic minorities).

The main focus of this special issue will be the compilation of research on the emerging science describing tobacco consumption patterns. Given the introduction of innovative tobacco products, emerging tobacco use patterns may result in 1) cigarette use and the potential to switch to other tobacco products, 2) combined concurrent use (polytobacco use, dual use), 3) increase in the number of social or occasional smokers, and 4) disparities in tobacco use. We strongly encourage the submission of analyses using cross-section surveys, longitudinal studies, laboratory or natural experiments, or intervention studies. Potential topics include, but are not limited to:

- Effects of smoking restrictions on tobacco use patterns
- Polytobacco use, dual use, or patterns of occasional tobacco consumption
- Patterns of tobacco use in low- and middle-income countries
- Use of new and emerging tobacco products (dissolvable, electronic cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, water pipe, or other noncombustible and combustible tobacco products)
- Effects of socioeconomic disparities on tobacco use
- Predictors of frequency and intensity of tobacco use (e.g., number of cigarettes per day)
- Categorization of smokers using biomarkers

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