

# Exposition à la fumée passive de l'enfant : de l'épidémiologie à la biologie

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1. History of cigarette smoke
2. Tobacco toxicants
3. Passive smoke: developmental and epidemiological data
4. Pathogenicity of passive smoke

# Active smoke

## When did we know?

- 1898: *Rattmann* (medical student from Wilzburg)
- 1930: *Muller* (autopsy association with lung cancer *Zeitschrift for Krebsforschung*)
- 1950's: First american and british publications (lung cancer: *JAMA & BMJ*, ciliary anomalies: *NEJM*)
- 1954: Cancer Society National Board → smoke causes lung cancer

1960



45% of the US doctors continue to smoke

# And when did they know....?

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**THE Truth**  
ABOUT IRRITATION  
OF THE NOSE AND THROAT  
DUE TO SMOKING

**THE FACTS BEHIND THE *Swing* TO PHILIP MORRIS**

Behind the swing to Philip Morris is the greatest achievement in cigarette manufacture since the introduction of cigarettes themselves.

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\*Published in leading medical journals. Names on request. Philip Morris, Fifth Avenue, N. Y.



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**THERE'S NEVER A ROUGH PUFF IN A LUCKY!**

**L.S./M.F.T. — Lucky Strike Means Fine Tobacco**  
So round, so firm, so fully packed—so free and easy on the draw

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## Tobacco consumption in Switzerland (OFSP January 2013)

### Smokers

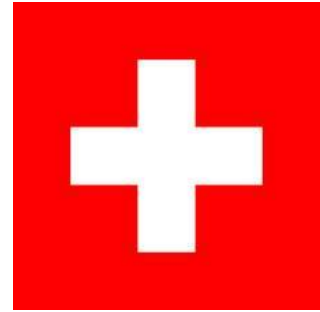
**24.8%**, (33% 2001), USA 15.2% en 2015

Smokers : 15 -19 years

22.5%

Smokers: 11-15 years:

**10.5%**, (2010)



1964 No publicity on radio and TV  
2010 Cigarette box should contain warnings

tabac : 85,5 %  
papier à cigarette : 6,7 %  
agents de saveur  
et de texture : 7,8 %

**Goudrons  
8 mg  
Nicotine  
0,7 mg  
Monoxyde  
de carbone  
9 mg**

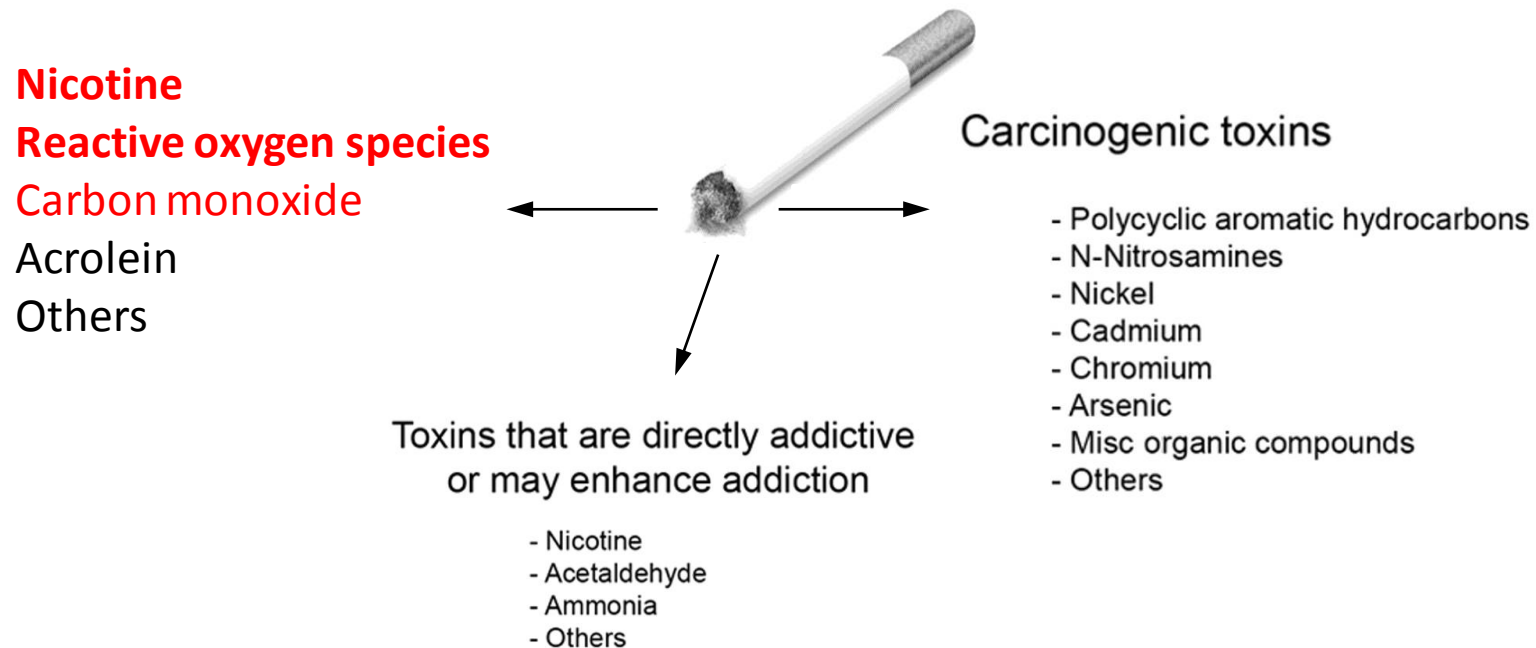


## 2. Tobacco toxicants



# Tobacco smoke : 4000 chemical substances

- **Mutagenic, toxic, pro-inflammatory and immunosuppressive properties**
- Carcinogenic chemicals contain metals ( Cd, Ni, Pd, Al)
- Toxins (immunomodulation and addiction)



# Environmental tobacco smoke (ETS)



## **Main stream smoke MS**

Directly inhaled & shouldering tobacco:  
Solid (particulate) and volatile (gas) phases



## **Side stream smoke SS**

Exhaled : solid and volatile phases

*Produced at lower temperature  
Greater amounts of toxicants*



### 3. Passive smoke (second hand smoke, environmental tobacco smoke, ETS): developmental & epidemiological data

In children:

1. Direct effect of smoke compounds **during pregnancy and lactation**
2. Passive smoke **exposure in the family house**

*Prevalence of passive smoke* : depends on the countries,

Global youth tobacco survey 2007 (13-15 y.):

- 20-48% in Western Europe
- 40-97% in Eastern Europe and Central Asia
- **4 % Swiss children population (OFSP 2012)**

Can be assessed by questionnaires or nicotine measurements of indoor air or cotinine (principal nicotine metabolite) bio-monitoring (blood, urine or saliva)

- Nicotine affinity : liver, brain, >kidney, spleen, lung> adipose tissue

In Switzerland 15-20% of the mothers are smokers ( 12% UK, 15% Australia)

80% of them will not stop smoking during pregnancy\*

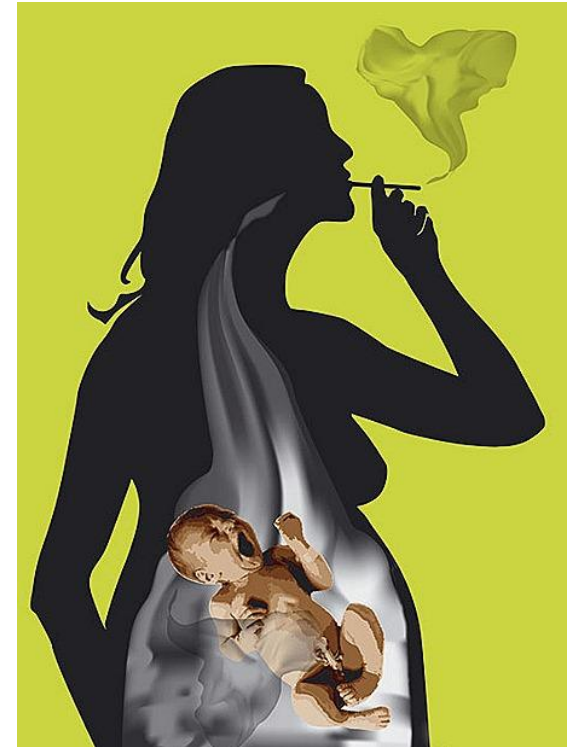
Many pathological outcomes:

**Impaired fetal development**

Low birth weight

Increased neonatal death

Priming for chronic pathologies (diabetes, asthma, hypertension)



\*(Swiss federal Office of Statistics, 2007 last data report)

# Prenatal (in utero) effect of smoking

**Nicotine** freely crosses the placenta

Increases placenta release of norepinephrine in maternal blood, reducing blood flow to placenta

**Tobacco smoke** increases CO fixing on maternal and foetal Hb, reducing the quantity of O<sub>2</sub> delivered to the fetus



➡ « Small for date »

- Levels of nicotine reaching the foetus similar or even higher than in the mothers (*foetus eliminate nicotine in the urine → amniotic fluid and drinks it again*)

# Lung epidemiological data of exposure to passive smoke in children

More 100 reviews published on this topic ( *Meta-analysis Pediatrics* 2012)

- ✓ Increased wheezing, bronchial hyperreactivity, hospitalization, and asthma (pregnancy and childhood)  
OR 1.7 ( *Chest* 1976, *Lancet* 1982, *Am Rev Resp Dis* 1980) (*Grade A*)
- ✓ Reduced pulmonary functions ( *Tager, Am Rev Resp Dis* 1993)
  - Strong association between serum cotinine level and worse lung function at 6 years of age
- ✓ Increased Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (Altered respiratory control)
- ✓ Arrested lung growth and accelerated maturation (pregnancy)
- ✓ In almost all studies the effects were greater when babies were exposed pre-natally and post-natally

## Identification of 79 prospective studies

Flowchart for identifying studies.

TABLE 1 Passive Smoke Exposure and Incidence of Wheeze

Smoking Exposure	Age the Outcome Was Collected	No. of Studies	Pooled OR	95% CIs	I <sup>2</sup> , %	Ref. Nos.
Prenatal maternal	≤2	14	1.41	1.19–1.67	87.9	17;30;38–48
Maternal	≤2	4	1.70	1.24–2.35	0.0	17;38;46;49
Paternal	≤2	0				
Household	≤2	10	1.35	1.10–1.64	64.5	39;40;42;43;46;50–53
Prenatal maternal	3–4	8	1.28	1.14–1.44	65.6	17;28;38;42;54–57
Maternal	3–4	4	1.65	1.20–2.28	48.5	17;38;54;58
Paternal	3–4	0				
Household	3–4	4	1.06	0.88–1.27	54.5	42;55;56;59
Prenatal maternal	5–18	5	1.52	1.23–1.87	21.1	29;57;58;60;61
Maternal	5–18	3	1.18	0.99–1.40	1.40	62–64
Paternal	5–18	2	1.39	1.05–1.85	0.0	60;63
Household	5–18	5	1.32	1.12–1.56	1.7	57;63;65–67

- Increased risk of wheezing and /or for asthma by 30-70% , strongest effect with exposure to maternal smoke and household (passive smoke )

# Interventional epidemiological data

- Introduction of smoke-free legislation implemented in England in 2007 was associated with decreased number of hospitalisations for respiratory tract infections by 10%.
  - Study of >1million hospitalisations between 2001 and 2012

*ERJ 2015 Been et al.*

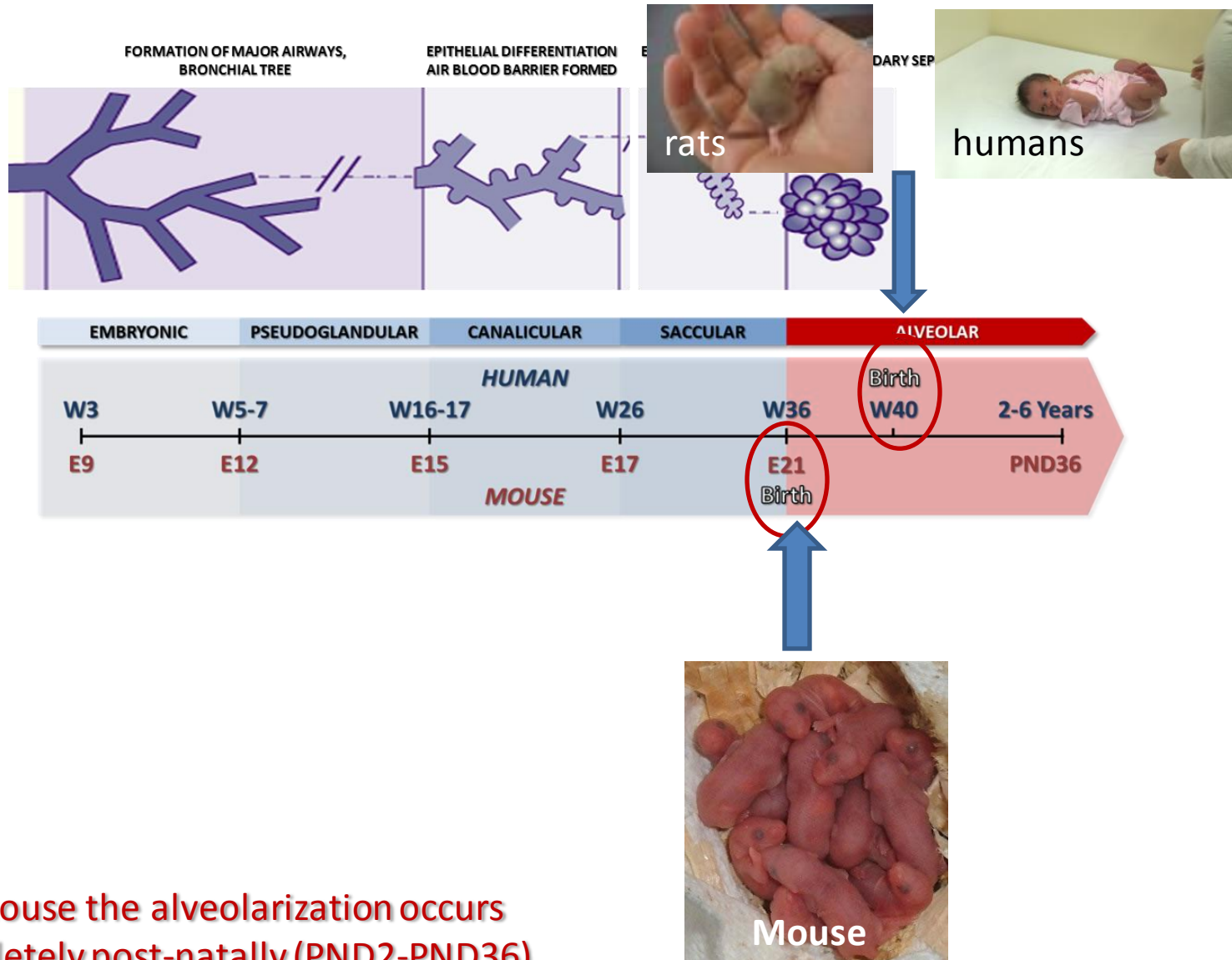


It is still unclear whether the long lasting effects are due to prenatal exposure or to post natal exposure ( passive smoke) or both

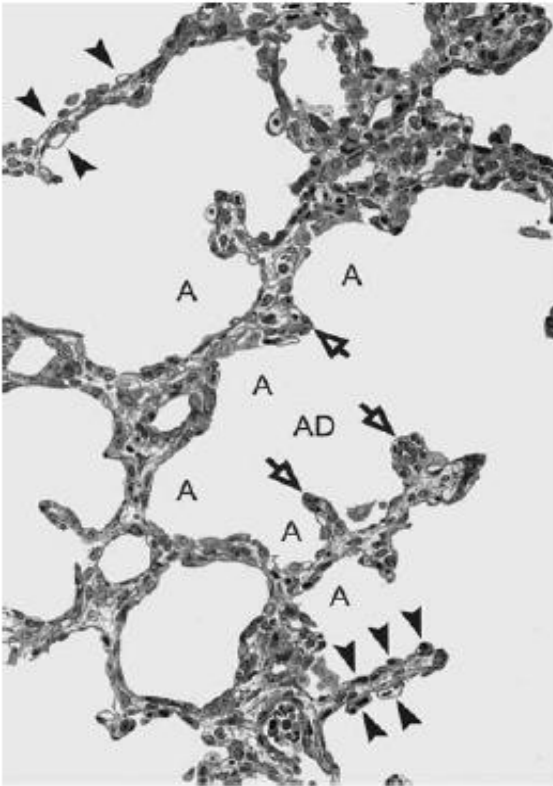
## 4. Pathogenicity of passive smoke in lung development

- molecular and cellular basis

# Lung development in mouse and human



# Alveolarization stage



- 1. *Apoptosis*
  - 2. *Proliferation*
  - 3. *Differentiation*
- are tightly regulated for efficient gas exchange*

Schittny and Burri, 2008, *Fishman's Pulmonary Diseases and Disorders*, 4th edition

# Animal models for CS studies on lung development

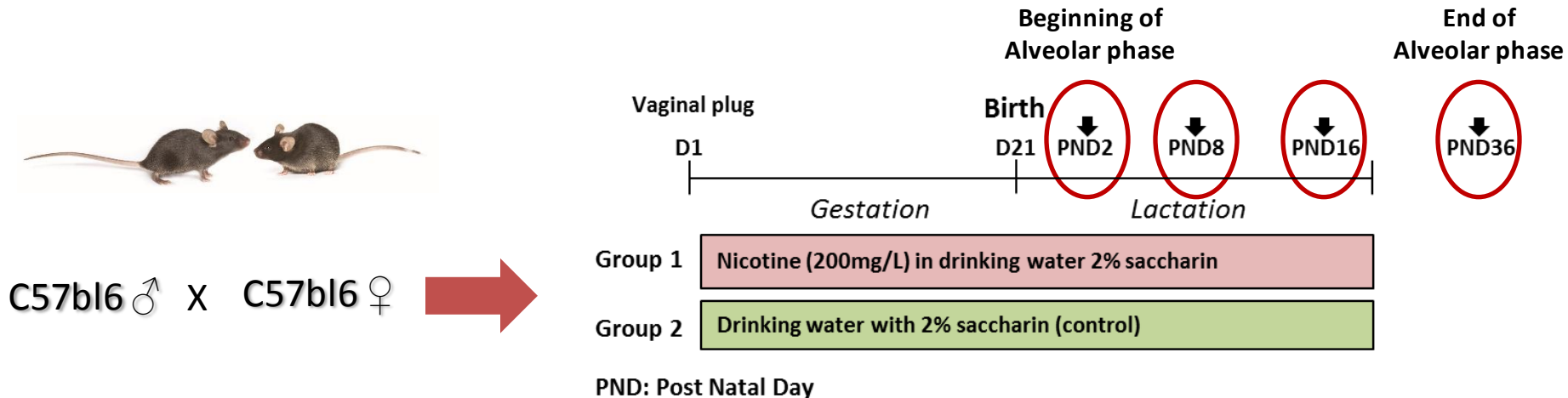
## CS exposure through a **smoking chamber**

- ✓ Close to “real life”
- ✓ Include all the toxic compounds of a cigarette
- ✓ **Expensive and complicate set-up**



- **Nicotine** administration (**oral**, minipumps, IP) **Main component of cigarette smoke** (1-3 mg per cigarette) Addictive compound of tobacco
- ✓ Easier set-up
- ✓ Mimic some of the side effects of CS
- ✓ Useful to study Nicotine Replacement Therapies (patches, **e-cigarettes**)





→ Monitoring of cotinine levels in blood (medium smokers)

1. Investigate lung developmental alterations due to nicotine exposure *in utero* and during lactation

Are the effect of passive smoke or prenatal smoke related mainly to nicotine ?

## Nicotine Replacement Therapy in Pregnancy and Major Congenital Anomalies in Offspring

Nafeesa N. Dhalwani, PhD<sup>ab</sup>, Lisa Szatkowski, PhD<sup>a</sup>, Tim Coleman, MD<sup>b</sup>, Linda Fiaschi, PhD<sup>a</sup>, Laila J. Tata, PhD<sup>a</sup>

Pediatrics, May 2015, UK

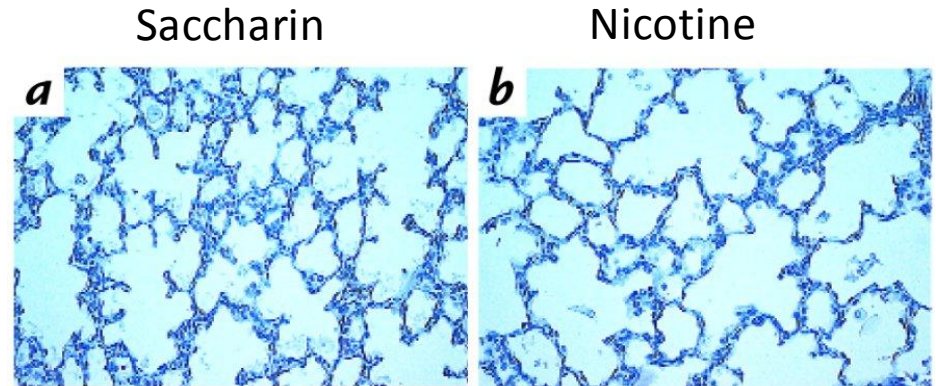


Seems more toxic than smoking....,  
trend to have more respiratory morbidities ( asthma)



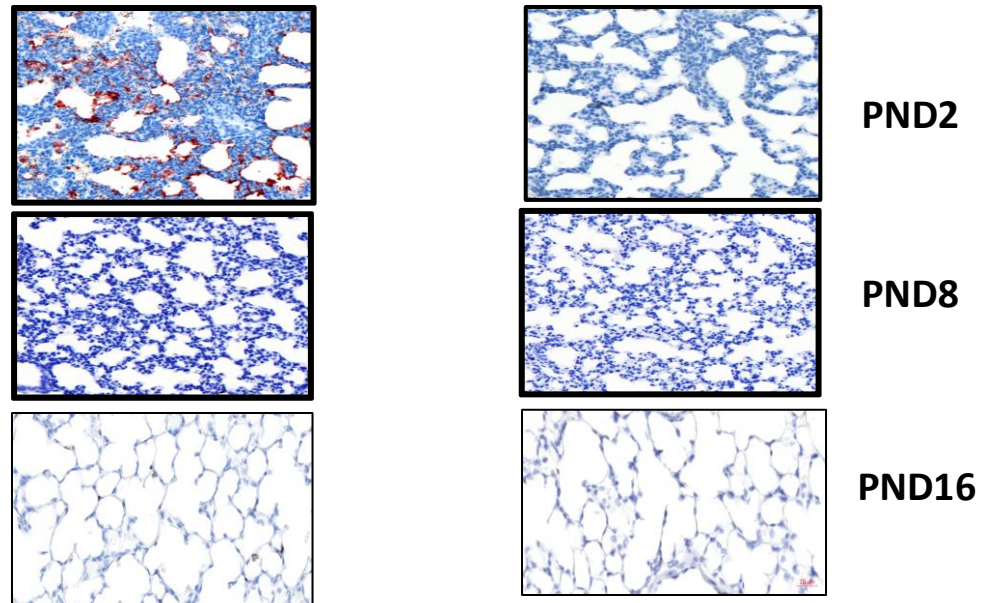
# Effects of nicotine on **alveolar stage**

- Monkeys and rats: Enlarge alveolar space

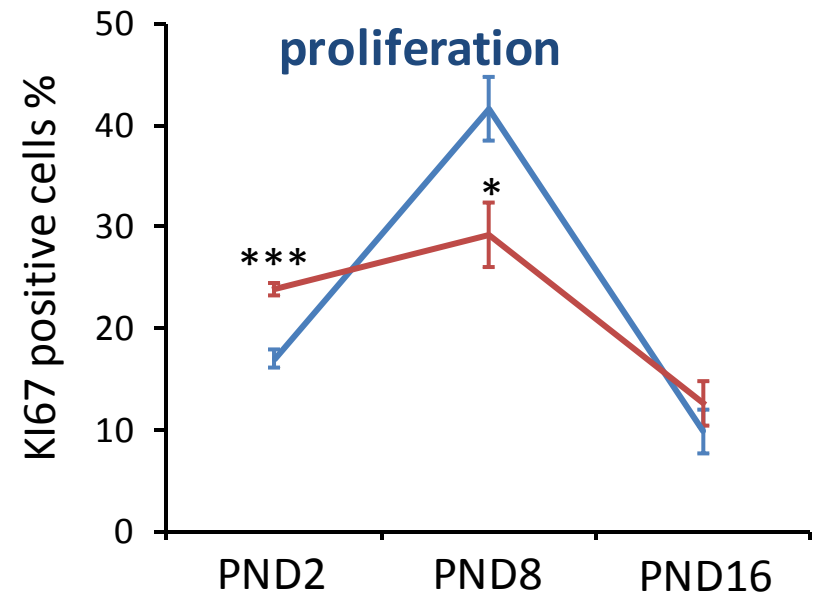
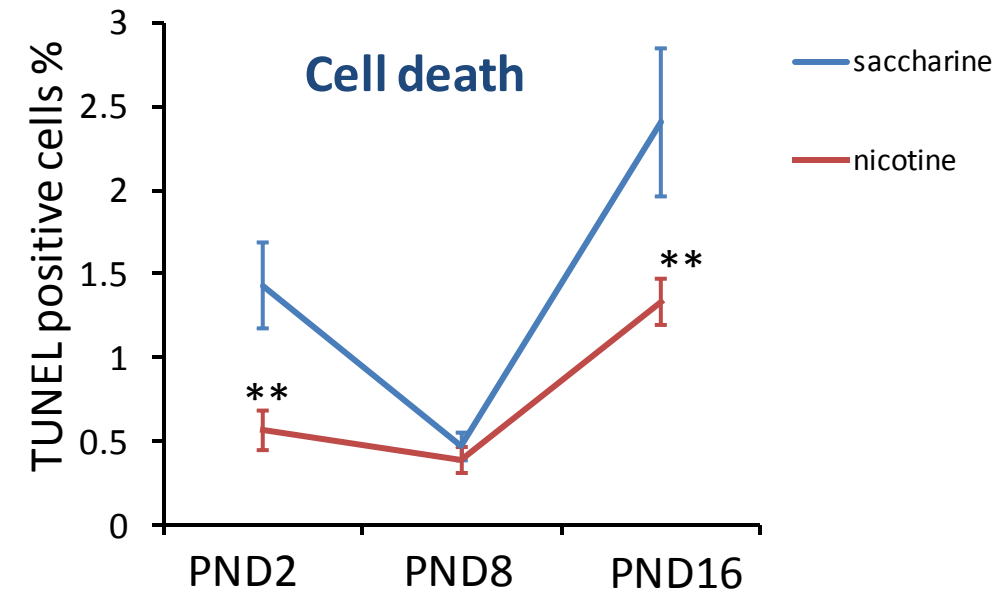


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- Mice: increased lung maturation  
But transient effect



*Barazzzone et al, unpublished*



***Nicotine affects proliferation and apoptosis dynamics during lung maturation***

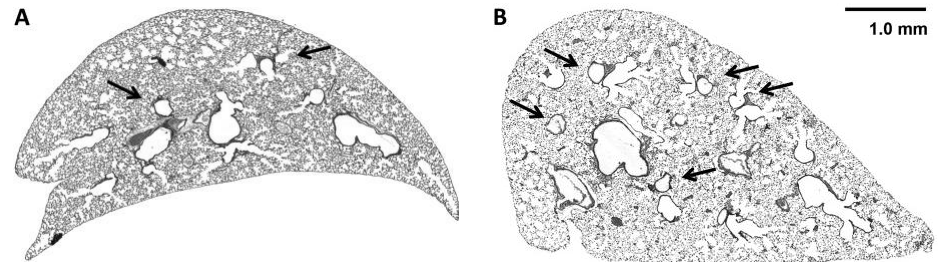
- Humans: ? Hypothesis:
- Accelerated lung development ( alveoli and vessel)

apoptosis for thinning occurring at earlier time point?

→ Less respiratory distress syndrome in premature infants of smoking mothers

# Effects of nicotine on airways growth

decreased the diameter of proximal airways and accelerates the development of the bronchiolar part of the lungs in lambs

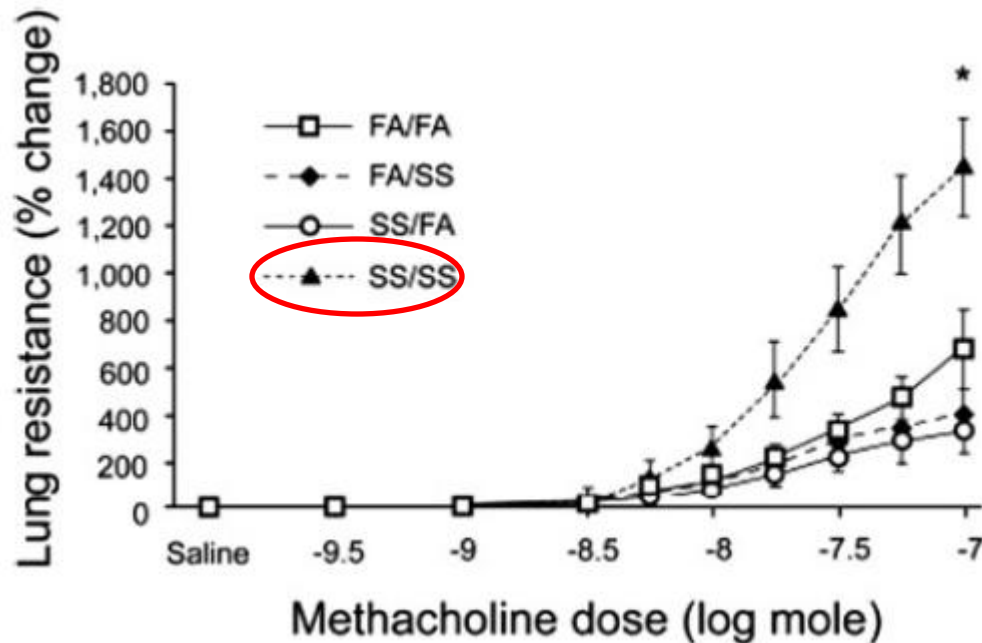


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Alter lung geometry by increasing airways length and diminishing their diameter in mouse

Still contrasting results depending on the nicotine dose, animal model and way of administration

# Lung resistance in **adult rats** exposed to Sidestream smoke during gestation and postnatally (until weaning)



FA: filtered air

SS: sidestream smoke



More pronounced effect when animals were exposed pre and postnatally

# Nicotine



**Anti apoptotic**

Cancer

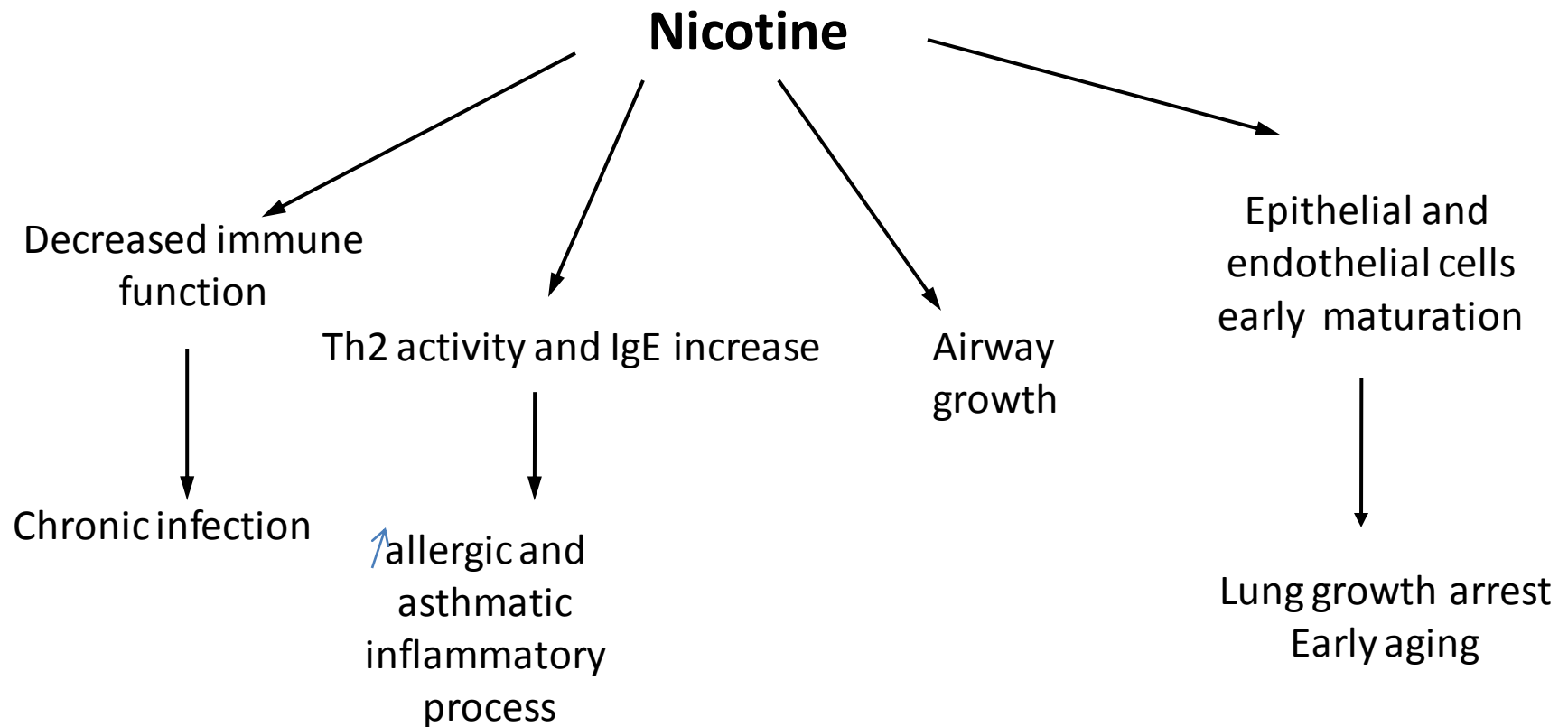
1-5% of the smokers will  
develop smoke-related  
malignancies

**Pro apoptotic**

COPD (~50% of the  
smokers), emphysema,  
ALI, Fibrosis (IPF)

**Lung development ?**

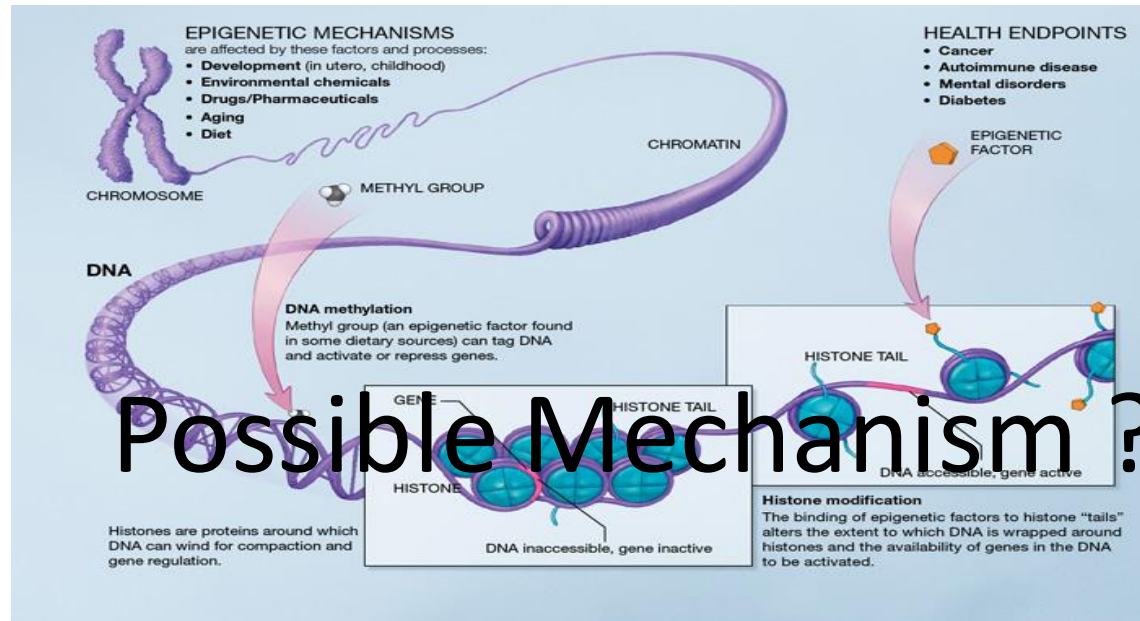
# Possible effects of nicotine on the lung



*Adapted from Cheragui, Eur J Pediatr 2009*



# Epigenetic modification



Change in gene expression without nucleotide sequence modification  
by DNA methylation or acetylation or change in histones

Analysis of >600 DNA by buccal scrap of children ( preschool age) and their mother  
→changes in DNA methylation  
GSTM1 ( involved in metabolism of tobacco smoke)  
AXL (gene promoting mitogenesis)

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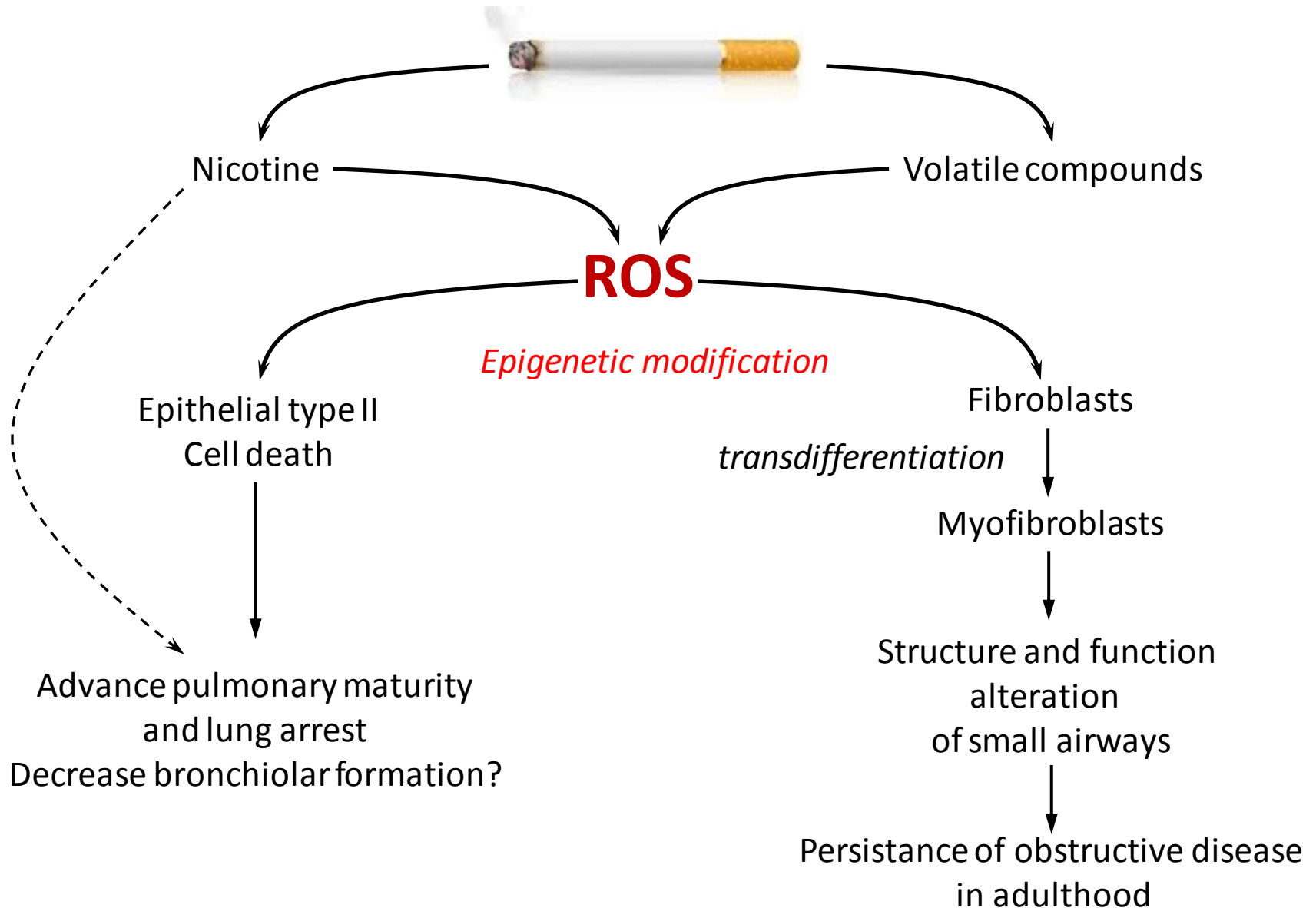
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# Perinatal nicotine exposure induces asthma in second generation offspring

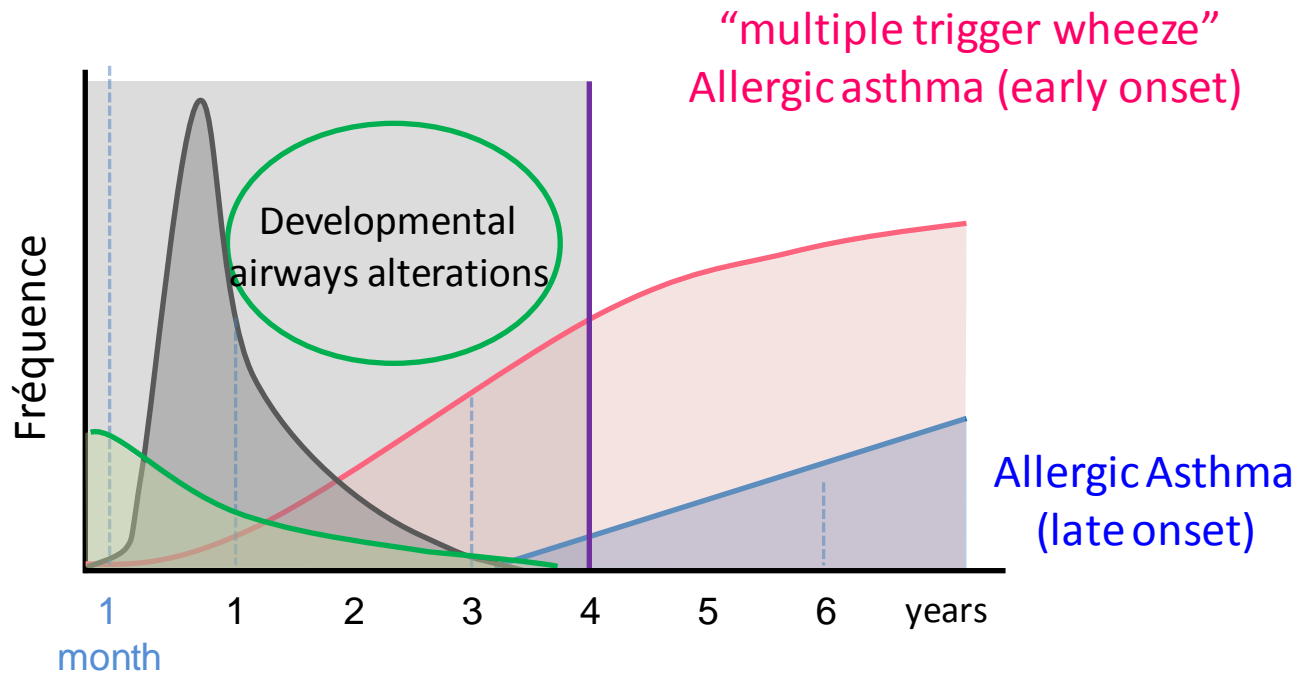
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- ➡ Rats of the second generation exhibit increase in lung resistance after metacholine challenge
- ➡ Changes in the lung and gonad DNA methylation and histone 3 and 4 acetylation

# Hypothesis of pathogenic ETS effects



Episodic viral wheeze  
(Bronchitis/-iolitis)





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