Cardiovascular Effects of Urban and Rural Coarse Particulate Matter in African American and White Adults



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### **Brachial Artery Diameter Changes in Response to Air Pollution versus Filtered Air**



#### Relative Contributations of PM<sub>2.5</sub> Chemical Constituents to Acute Arterial Vasoconstriction in Humans



Urch B, Inhalation Toxicology 2004; 16: 345-52

#### Blood Pressure Responses to Concentrated Ambient PM<sub>2.5</sub> (CAP) versus Filtered Air



Urch B, Environ Health Perspectives 2005; 113: 1052-55.

### Cardiovascular Linkage between Endothelial dysfunction ANd AIR pollution (CLEANAIR Toronto)



CAP, concentrated ambient fine particles (150  $\mu$ g/m<sup>3</sup>); O<sub>3</sub>, ozone (120 ppb)

#### **Diastolic Blood Pressure Changes during Exposures in Toronto**



FA (filter air); O3 (ozone); CAP (concentrated ambient fine particulate matter); DBP (diastolic blood pressure)

## Endothelial Function Changes in Toronto Exposures



## Cardiovascular Linkage between Endothelial dysfunction ANd AIR pollution (CLEANAIR Ann Arbor)



# Diastolic Blood Pressure Changes during CAP + O<sub>3</sub> Exposure (Ann Arbor)



#### Vascular Responses in CLEANAIR Study (Ann Arbor)

	Placebo Visit			Vitamin C Visit		Bosentan Visit			
	Pre- exposure	Post- Exposure	24 Hr Post- exposure	Pre- exposure	Post- Exposure	24 Hr Post- Exposure	Pre- exposure	Post- Exposure	24 Hr Post- Exposure
Endothelial Function									
BAD (mm)	3.7 ± 0.8	$3.7 \pm 0.7$	$3.7 \pm 0.7$	$3.7 \pm 0.7$	$3.7 \pm 0.7$	$3.8 \pm 0.7$	3.7 ± 0.7	$3.7 \pm 0.7$	$3.7 \pm 0.7$
FMD (%)	5.6 ± 4.1	$6.8 \pm 5.9$	$6.6 \pm 4.7$	$5.0 \pm 5.9$	$5.6 \pm 7.9$	$7.4 \pm 5.5^{\ddagger}$	$6.4 \pm 6.7$	$4.4 \pm 8.4$	$6.3 \pm 6.5$
NMD (%)	17 ± 7	18 ± 8	18 ± 7	19±8	$19 \pm 8$	20 ± 7	21 ± 9	19 ± 7	19 ± 8
Hemodynamics									
Cardiac Output (L-min <sup>-1</sup> )	$5.8 \pm 0.9$	5.6 ± 0.8	$5.8 \pm 0.9$	$5.9 \pm 0.8$	$5.6 \pm 0.8^{\ddagger}$	$5.9 \pm 0.8$	5.7 ± 0.8	5.7 ± 0.7	$5.9 \pm 0.9$
SVR (dynes ·sec·cm <sup>-5</sup> )	1188 ± 314	1155 ± 261	1172 ± 333	1137 ± 170	1114 ± 169 <sup>‡</sup>	$1129 \pm 335^{\ddagger}$	1169 ± 248	1114 ± 169	1129 ± 335
<b>C1</b> (10·ml·mm Hg <sup>-1</sup> )	19.0 ± 6.6	26.1 ± 38.1	19.0 ± 8.0	18.1 ± 7.2	19.9 ± 6.1	18.1 ± 5.4	18.1 ± 5.4	19.9 ± 6.1	18.1 ± 5.4
C2 (100·ml·mm Hg <sup>-1</sup> )	9.0 ± 2.7	10.8 ± 11.7	8.8 ± 3.2	9.4 ± 3.1	8.8 ± 2.6	9.1 ± 2.5	9.0 ± 2.7	8.8 ± 2.6	11.4 ± 14.9
Ambulatory Monitoring									
SBP (mm Hg)	117 ± 7		115 ± 7*	116 ± 7		113 ± 8*	116 ± 9		113 ± 8*
DBP (mm Hg)	$69 \pm 6$		$68 \pm 5^{\ddagger}$	68 ± 6		$67 \pm 6^{*}$	69 ± 7		$66 \pm 6^{*}$
HR (beats•min <sup>-1</sup> )	71 ± 9		71 ± 11	72 ± 7		72 ± 10	71 ± 9		74 ± 10*

\*p<0.001 versus pre-exposure value for same visit †p<0.01 versus pre-exposure value for same visit ‡p<0.05 versus pre-exposure value for same visit

BAD (Brachial artery diameter); FMD (Flow-mediated dilatation); NMD (Nitroglycerin-mediated dilatation); CO (Cardiac output); SVR (Systemic vascular resistnace); C1 (Large artery compliance); C2 (Small artery compliance); SBP (Systolic blood pressure); DBP (Diastolic blood pressure); HR (Heart rate)

## **SECONDHAND SMOKE**

Augmentation index @HR75 (Alx@75) = % of SBP due to augmentation pressure standardized for HR





Central aortic hemodynamics

Treatment	Alx@75 < 35 yrs old (n=13)	Alx@75 ≥ 35 yrs old (n=12)
placebo	-2.0 ± 9.9% (p=0.06)	+3.9 ± 4.3% (p=0.02)
atorvastatin	-	0.8 ± 5.5 % (p=0.66)

## **Coarse PM-CV**

#### **Overall hypothesis**

Short-term exposure to coarse PM, from both rural and urban sources, promotes pro-vasoconstrictive vascular dysfunctions via biological pathways related to cardiovascular autonomic imbalance in African American and White subjects alike.

## Coarse PM-CV Project Team

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#### Specific Aim 1

## To demonstrate that coarse CAP exposure causes acute vascular dysfunctions in 25 white and 25 AA subjects (n=50).

 Concentrated ambient coarse PM (CAP) [150-300 µg/m<sup>3</sup>] for 2 hrs triggers vascular dysfunctions at each <u>individual</u> site (vs filtered air).

primary outcomes:	↓ brachial artery diameter
	↑ intra-exposure diastolic blood pressure (BP)
secondary outcomes	<u>s</u> :↓FMD

- The vascular dysfunctions are mediated by CV autonomic balance

 $\downarrow$  HRV correlated and temporally related to vascular dysfunction.

#### To further elucidate the extent of the CV impact of coarse PM exposure by incorporating novel CV outcomes

- continuous intra-exposure BP/hemodynamics (Finometer)
- central aortic hemodynamics, arterial compliance (sphygmoCor)
- microvascular endothelial function (EndoPAT2000)



#### Specific Aim 2

## To demonstrate that similar vascular dysfunctions occur in both races (Whites, AA) to both CAP sources (urban, rural).

- Vascular dysfunctions and autonomic imbalance occur in all subjects after all 3 different sources of CAP
  - Urban Toronto (Harvard EPA center)
  - Urban Detroit, and rural Southeast Michigan (Coarse STAR)
- Compare CV responses due to urban vs. rural CAP in Michigan
- Compare CV responses between AA vs. Whites in Michigan
- Candidate genetic SNP (glutathione-S-transferase M1 null)
  - subject and/or race susceptibility differences to CAP (from stored plasma)



#### Specific Aim 3

To elucidate the CAP constituents and sources responsible for the CV responses.

- Detailed assessment of the differences in coarse PM composition, sources, and chemistry between the 3 experimental settings.
- Correlate CAP composition and sources with CV outcomes for insights into constituents responsible for triggering biological CV responses.

# Coarse PM-CV Study Protocol Design Outline



Method	Effect Assessed		Specific Parameter Measured		
Vascular and hemodynamic responses (measured pre, post, and 23 hours post exposures)					
		Duration			
Ultrasound	Vascular tone	1 min	Brachial artery diameter (conduit artery tone). PRIMARY OUTCOME #1 (specific aim 1A)		
Ultrasound	Microvascular arteriole tone	1 min	Brachial artery Doppler velocity and flow		
Echocardio -graphy	Cardiac hemodynamics/performance Marker of cardiac SNS activity	10 mins	Cardiac output, stroke volume		
SphygmoCor	Large arterial compliance Central aortic BP and hemodynamics	10 mins	Radial tonometer with computerized central aortic waveform analyses by transform function <i>Novel exploratory secondary vascular endpoint</i>		
Endo-PAT	MICROVASCULAR RESISTANCE ARTERY endothelial function (NON-DOMINANT ARM)	15 mins	Fingertonometer-determinedmicrovascularendothelial-dependent flow responsesNovel exploratory secondary vascular endpoint		
Ultrasound	CONDUIT endothelial and smooth muscle-dependent vascular function (DOMINANT ARM)	20 mins	Flow-mediated dilatation (FMD) (endothelial function) Nitroglycerin-mediated dilation (NMD) (smooth muscle)		







CV outcome measurements to take place while subject is intra-chamber during exposure				
Brachial BD	<b>BD</b> exposure times $= 0.30.60.00.180$ minutes	Systemic arterial BP		
Brachial Br Br, exposure times = 0,50,00,90,180 minutes		PRIMARY OUTCOME #2 (specific aim 1A)		
Finomotor	<b>BD</b> continuous during exposure	Continuous beat-to-beat BP and heart rate		
Fillometer	Br, continuous during exposure	Complimentary secondary BP endpoint		
	CV autonomic balance (SNS / PSNS)	Time and frequency domain heart rate variability		
Holter ECG	Analyses performed at HSPH (as per project 3	Done before, during, and for 23 hrs post-exposures		
	of the Harvard EPA PM Center award).	PRIMARY OUTCOME #3 (specific aim 1A)		
Blood/urine biomarkers (measured through IV blood draw pre, post, and 21 hours post exposures				
		$F_2$ isoprostanes (oxidative stress)		
Venous Plasma	Biomarkers of circulating systemic responses	C-reactive protein (inflammation)		
	Measured by ELISA at HSPH (as per project 3	Endothelin 1 (vasoconstrictor bioavailability)		
	of the Harvard EPA PM Center award).	Glutathione-S-transferase M1 polymorphisms by		
		PCR to test genetic sensitivity (stored blood) <sup>58a</sup>		





## **Coarse PM-CV**

#### Coarse PM characterization:

PM mass, carbon, ions and transition metals

Appropriate filers will collect 25-30 L/min CAP flow during each 2-hour long exposure.

Continuous estimated mass and number concentration light scattering insts and by direct mass recording Tapered Element Oscillating Micro-balance.

Teflon filters: gravimetric total mass.

- Sulfate, nitrate, chloride, potassium, sodium and ammonium: ion chromatography.
- Total organic and elemental carbon: thermal-opticaltransmission analysis.

Inductively coupled plasma-mass spectrometry (ICP-MS): metals (e.g., Fe, Ni, Zn, Cu)

Gas chromatography mass spectrometry (GCMS) for selected semi-volatile and nonvolatile organics (e.g., PAHs, alkanes).

#### Source Apportionment:

PM characteristics will be quantified and categorized based on the trace element composition, size, and morphological characteristics.

Multivariate receptor modeling methods, Positive Matrix Factorization (PMF)

Associations between the health outcomes and the individual pollutants and CAP <u>components</u> as well as their likely <u>sources</u>

### **Coarse PM-CV Summary**

**Designed to specifically investigate:** 

Acute CV responses to coarse PM

Test if there are race differences in responses

Test if there are location-determined response differences

Investigate the sources and composition of PM responsible

### **QUESTIONS?**