PIRE: Air Quality and Health

2020 Internship Showcase

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In a Remote Internship World

Pros

- Gained valuable experience in the industry
- Easier to get to work on time
- Able to connect with an amazing team

Cons

- Could not work in the lab for hands-on experience
- Harder to connect with other interns and supervisors



E-Cigarette or Vaping Use-Related Lung Injury (EVALI)

- Importance: Further research will be conducted to determine the effects of eliquids containing Vitamin E on the human body.
- Impact: Providing empirical data to determine whether the e-liquids containing Vitamin E are harmful to the body.





What Did We Do?

- Bronchial epithelial cells were exposed to vapors using a CellTox Sampler.
- LDH, ELISA, and TEER assays were conducted on samples exposed to PGVG and Vitamin E.
- Tests were run at 20W and 50W.







Results

- Liquid and power were significant factors for toxicity.
- Vitamin E with higher power induced higher toxicity (50W as opposed to 20W).
- A few outliers in the data need to be further analyzed.





• Getty Image

https://www.gettyimages.com/detail/photo/simple-columnar-epithelium-is-a-columnar-epithelium-royalty-free-image/985358918

Thank you

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