

Comparison of in vitro smoke toxicity of novel charcoal filter cigarettes and benchmark cigarettes from the UK market

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Objective and experimental approach

- To assess differences of smoke toxicity of test cigarettes with highly effective charcoal filters vs marketed cigarettes of similar ISO tar yields.
- For this purpose, test cigarettes with ISO tar yields of 10, 6 and 3 mg were manufactured and compared with two leading UK brands of similar tar yields (CA filter).
- Smoke was generated according to the ISO Standard (35 mL/60 sec/2 sec, no vent blocking) and the Canadian Intense regime (CINT, 55/30/2, 100% vent blocking), respectively.

Experimental cigarettes & details

Code	ISO			CINT		
	puffs	total Part. Matter TPM [mg/cig]	water free Part. Matter DPM [mg/cig]	puffs	total Part. Matter TPM [mg/cig]	water free Part. Matter DPM [mg/cig]
X CF	7.3	10.4	9.6	10.8	42.2	27.8
X B1	6.8	14.6	12.3	8.9	41.0	23.3
X B2	7.4	11.1	10.0	9.8	41.1	23.8
VI CF	7.2	6.3	6.0	8.2	36.9	26.3
VI B1	7.4	6.9	6.4	8.5	35.3	22.9
VI B2	8.1	6.4	6.2	9.8	38.0	23.5
III CF	7.7	3.6	3.5	7.9	39.7	25.9
III B1	6.6	3.7	3.5	7.9	29.3	19.3
III B2	7.8	3.1	3.0	8.7	32.5	22.8

Exposure Methods

Toxicity tests with Hep-G2 (ATTC HB-8065)

human hepatoma cell line adapted to serum free medium.

Treatment in 96-mutiwell plates over 65 hours.

- **Fresh Whole Smoke in direct contact with the cells** (NRU)
(Bt020 aerosol system from Heinrich Burghart GmbH; Wedel, Germany)
- **Whole Smoke and Vapour Phase bubbled through an impinger containing serum free medium** (NRU and MTS)
- **Cigarette Smoke Condensate in DMSO** (NRU and MTS)

Test materials

	carrier	time after 1 st puff to contact with cells	particulate phase fraction	vapour phase fraction	% influence VP on WS (CA filter – ISO)
 <p>fresh smoke</p>	aerosol in ambient air	4 sec.	native	native	NRU/MTS ~45%
 <p>smoked medium</p>	medium with 0.5% DMSO	30 min.	aqueous solution (partial)	aqueous solution (partial)	NRU ~50% MTS ~65%
 <p>CSC in DMSO</p>	DMSO	≥ 60 min.	99.9% captured	?	not appl.

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- **Whole Smoke toxicity
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 - **smoked medium** (bubbled)**
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- **Effect of Charcoal on Whole Smoke toxicity**

Condensate toxicity - EC50

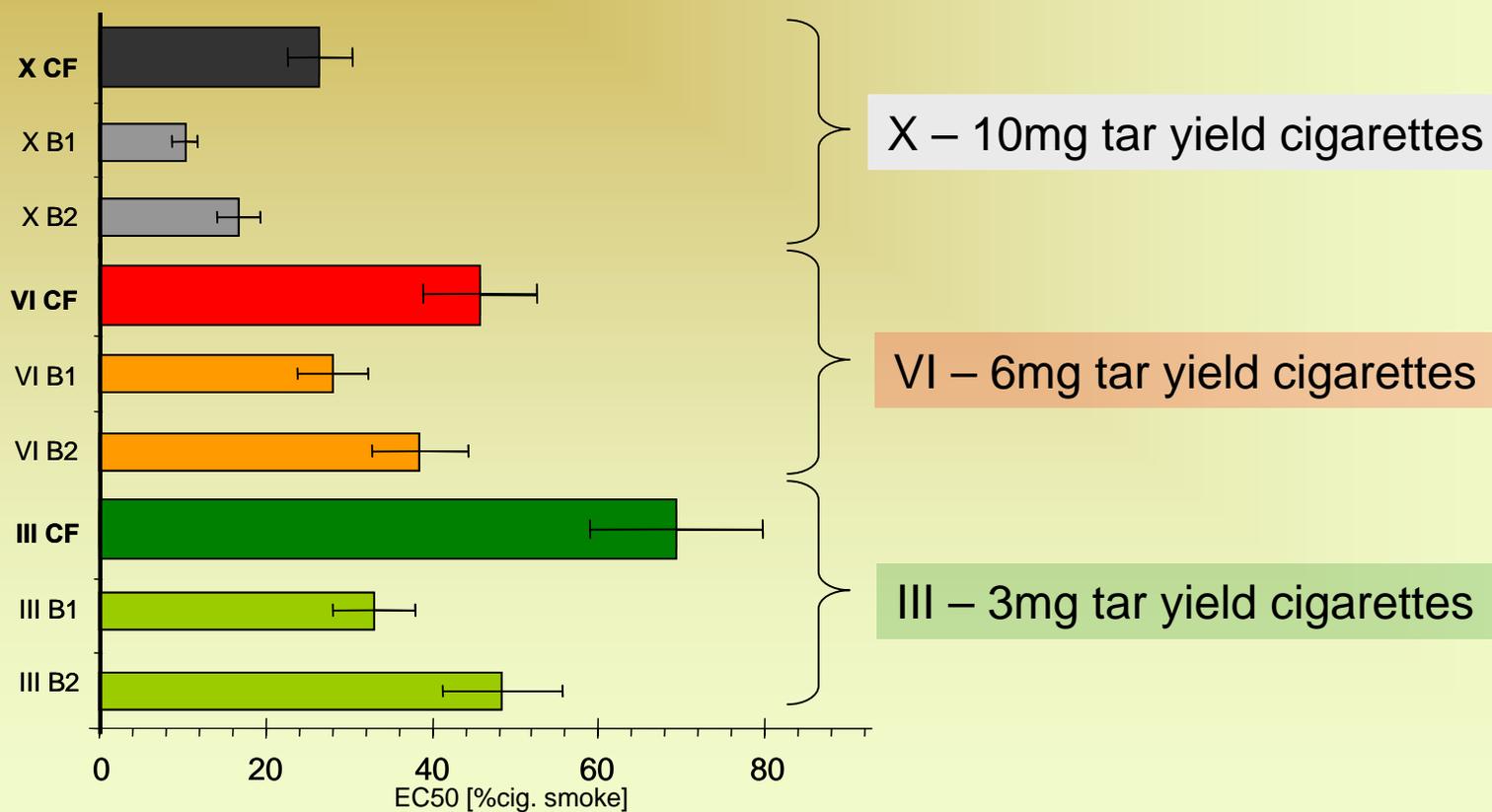
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	NRU	MTS	NRU	MTS
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X B2	19.9	20.7	16.6	21.4
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VI B1	15.2	22.8 *	17.1	28.7
VI B2	16.6	20.0 *	18.0	26.8
III CF	12.2	18.2	15.2	23.8
III B1	15.7	22.6	19.8	30.0
III B2	16.3	21.4	25.4 *	32.6 *

* -significant difference to the corresponding test cigarette under consideration of condensate yield (+/- 15%)

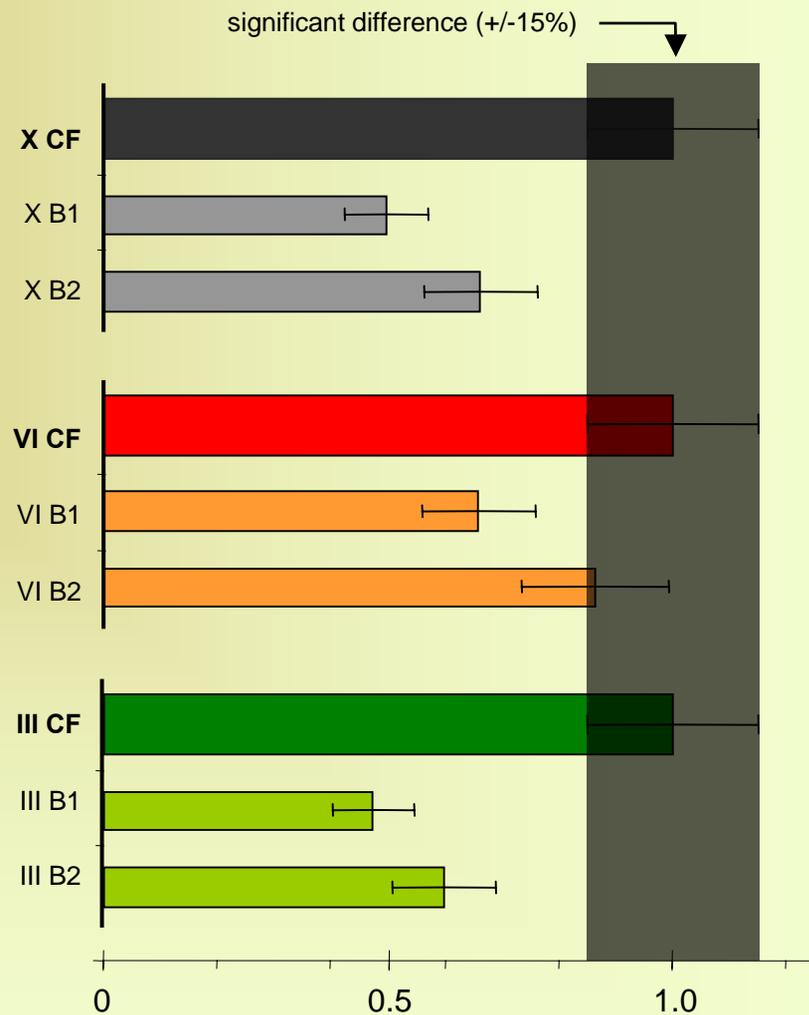
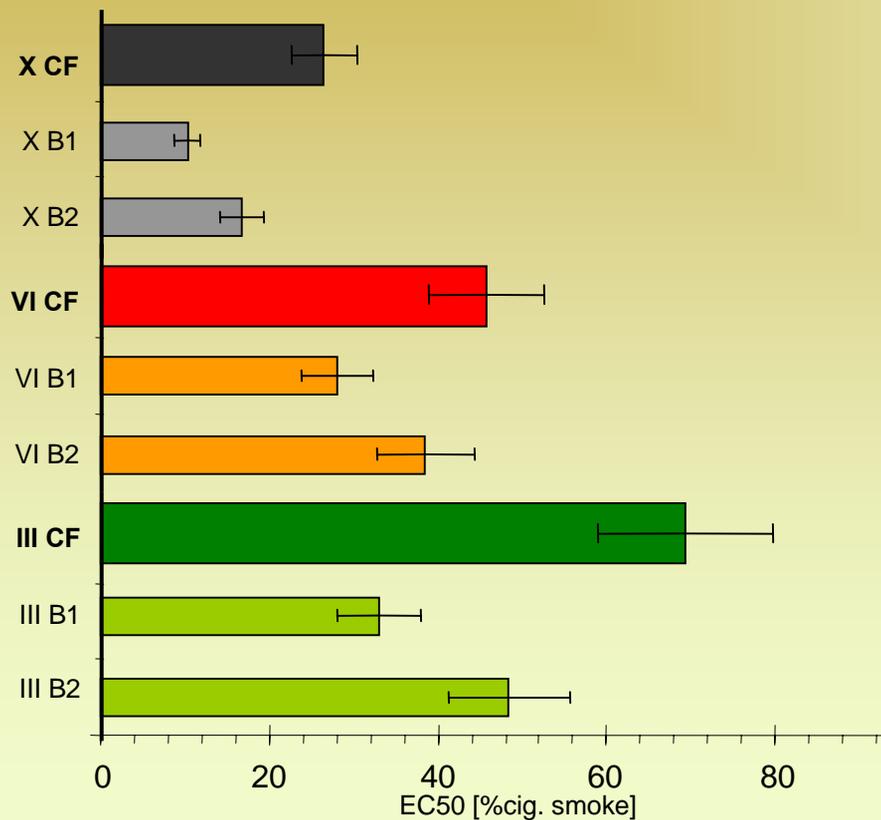
Fresh Smoke Toxicity (NRU) - ISO

CF – charcoal filter cigarette

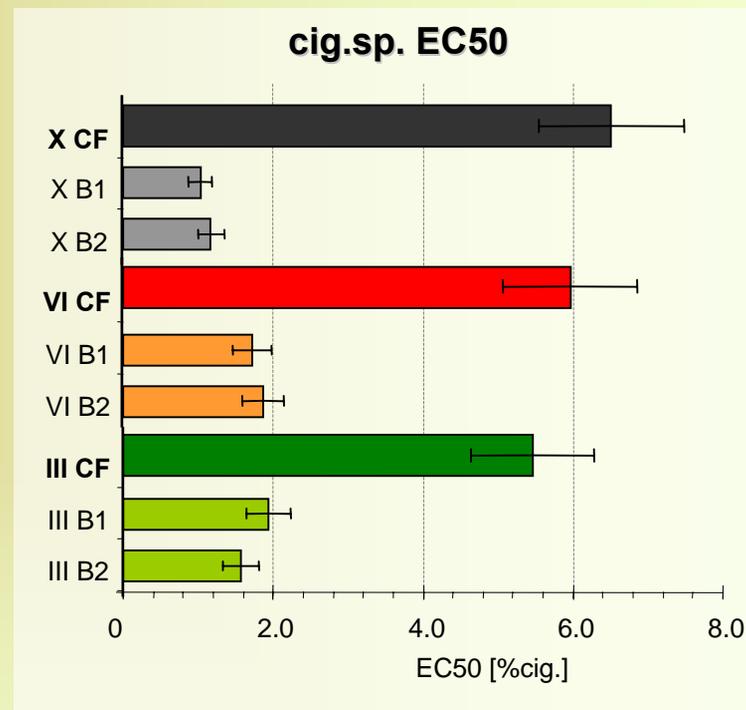
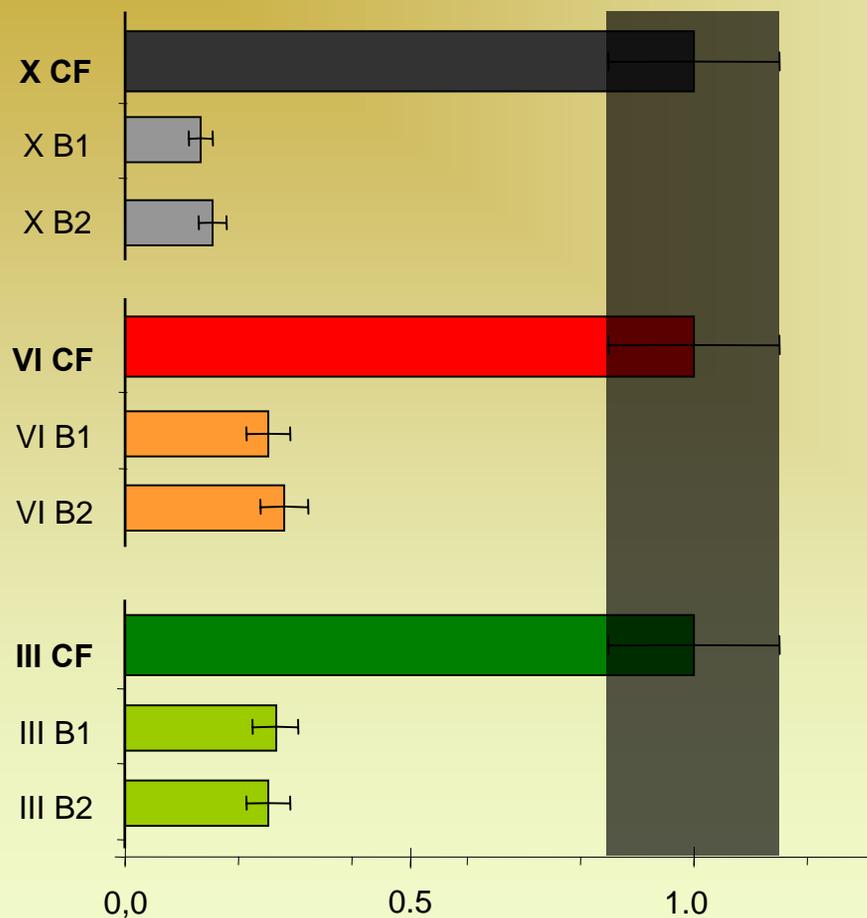
B1 & B2 – bench mark cigarette



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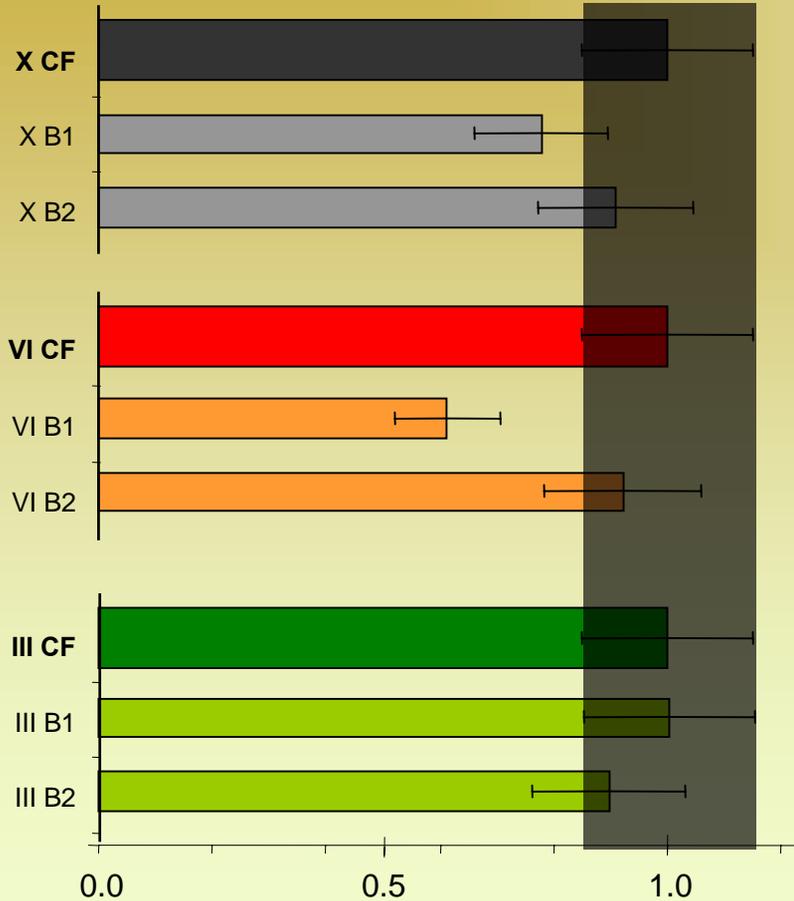


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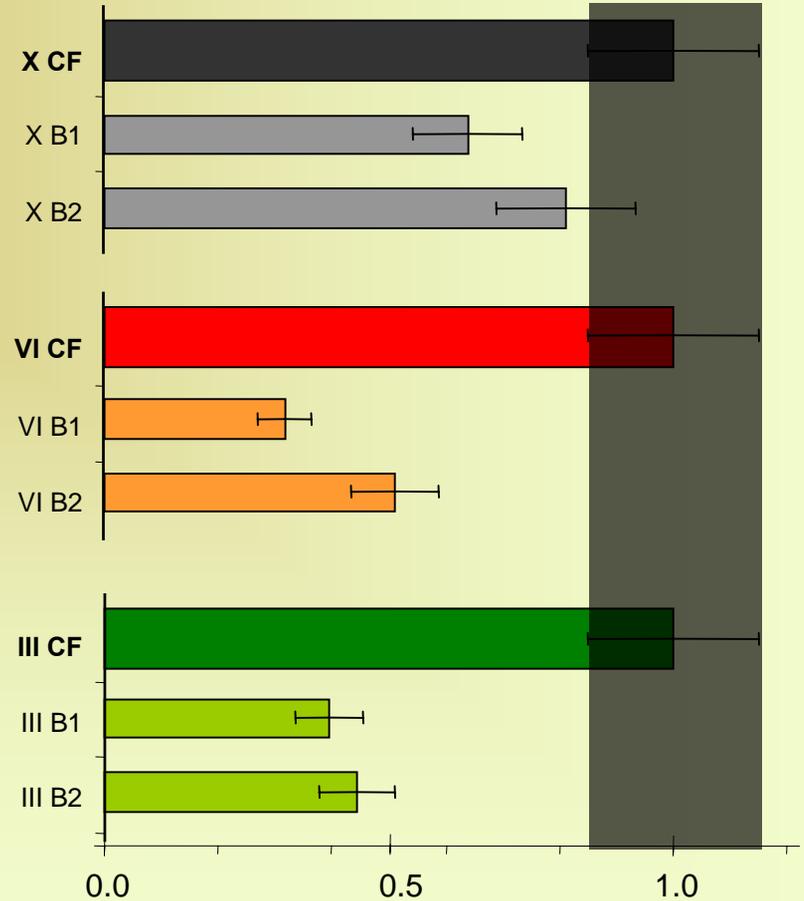


Smoked Medium Toxicity - ISO

NRU



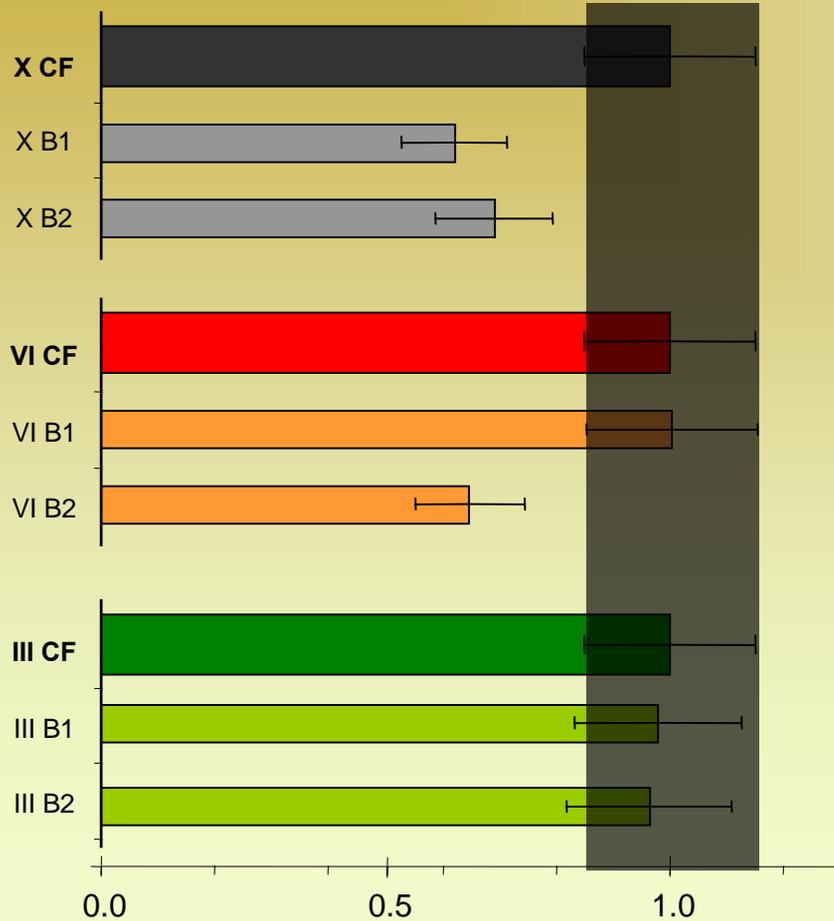
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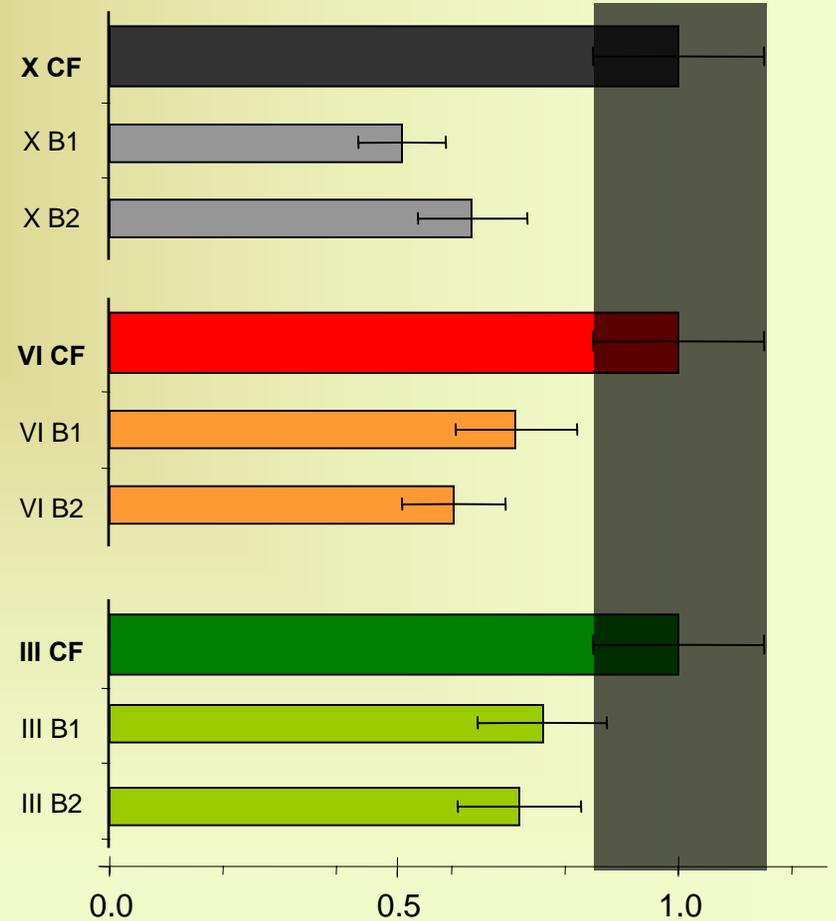
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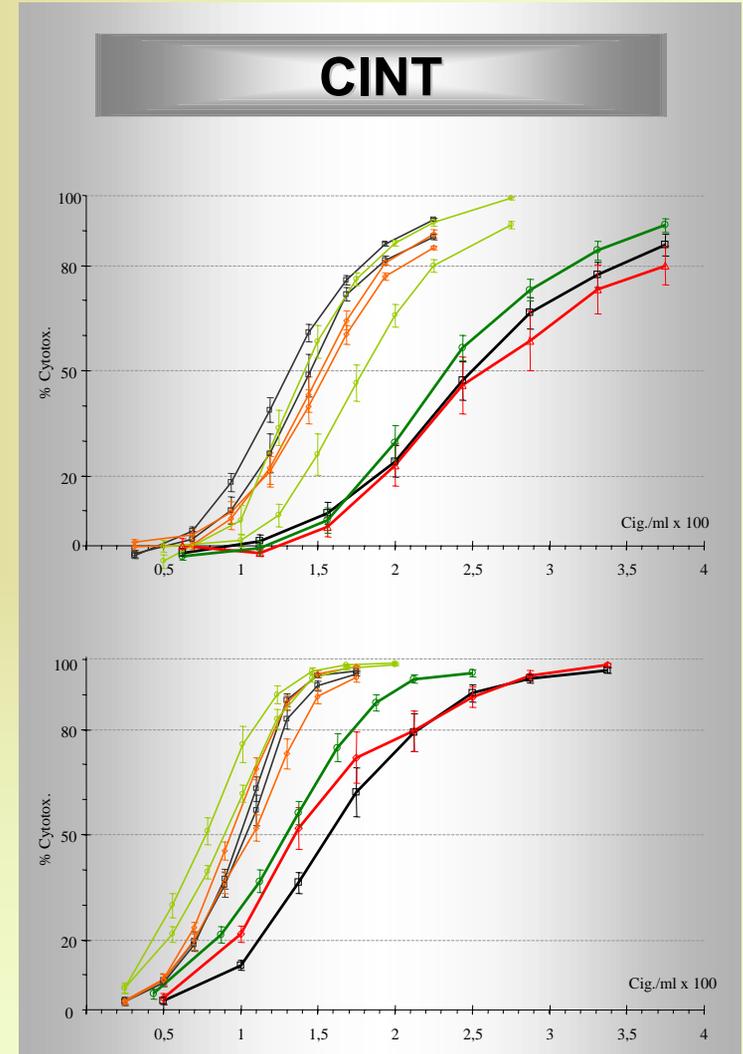
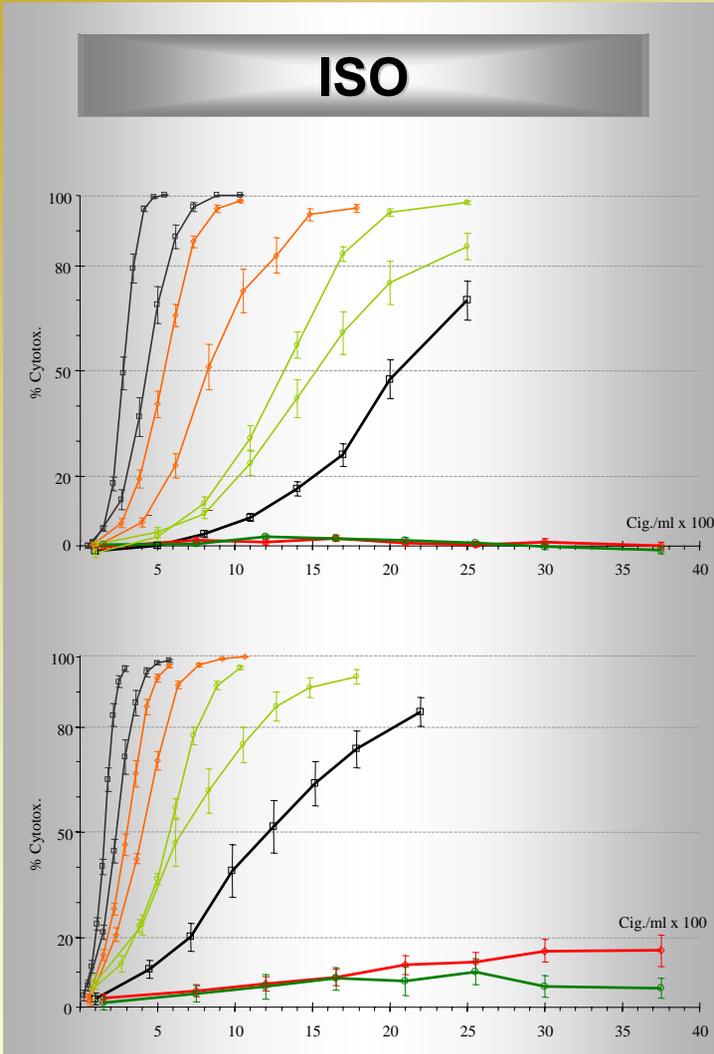
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Vapour Phase Toxicity - bubbled medium

NRU →

- X CF
- X B1+2
- ◇— VI CF
- ◇— VI B1+2
- III CF
- III B1+2

→ **MTS**

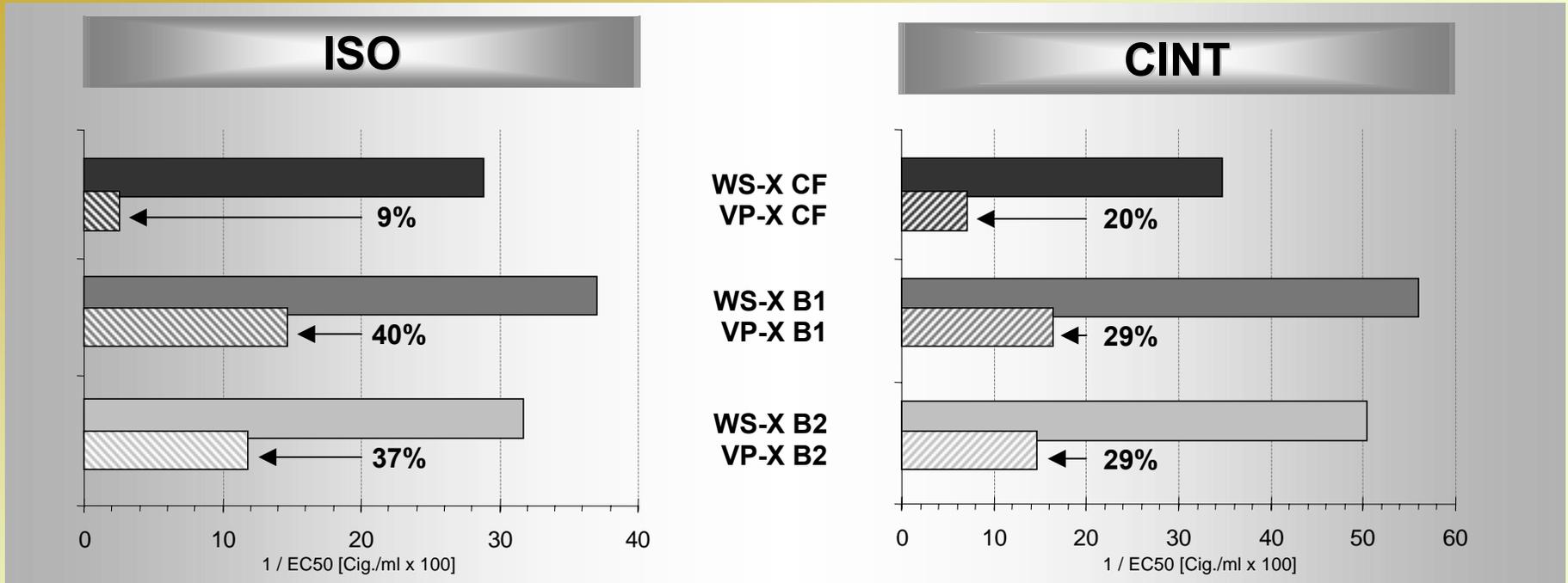


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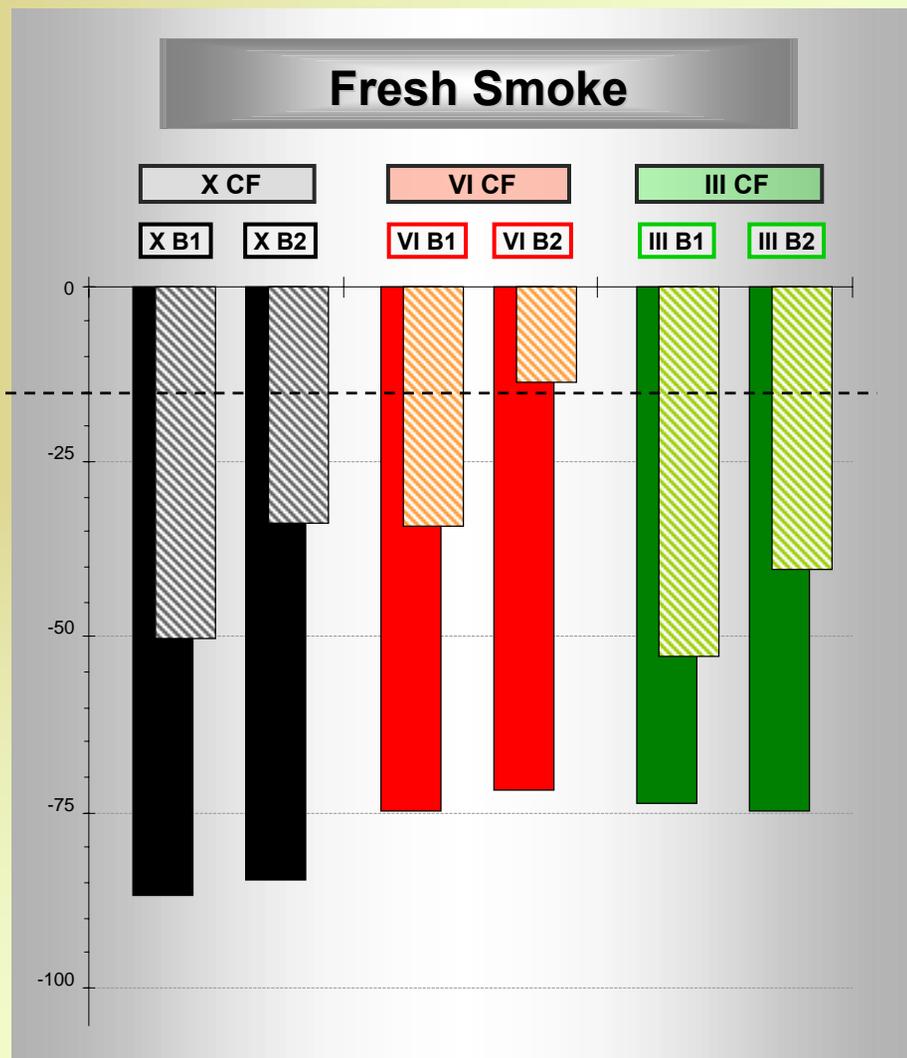
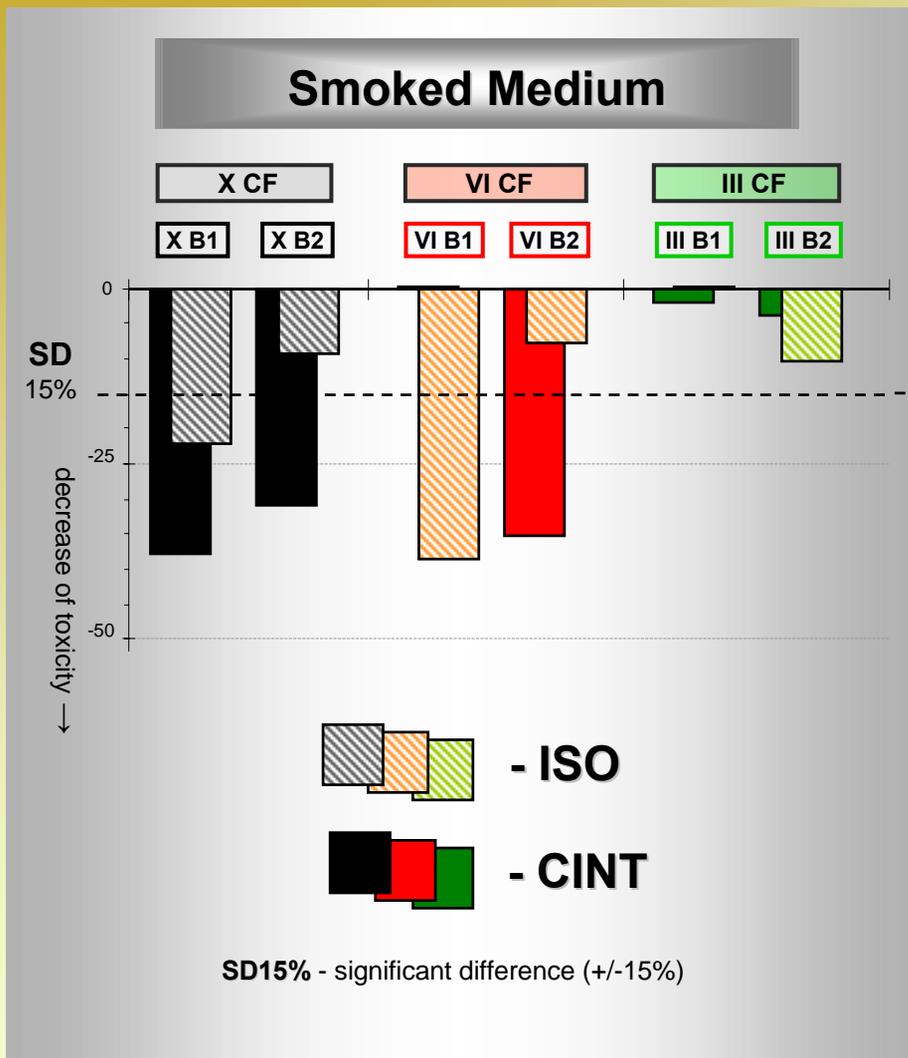
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Cigarette specific toxicity (NRU - 1/EC50) of Whole Smoke and Vapour Phase in Smoked Medium (10mg product)



%VP tox. in WS		X CF	X B1 / B2	VI CF	VI B1 / B2	III CF	III B1 / B2
NRU	ISO	9	40 / 37		43 / 44		53 / 47
	CINT	20	29 / 29	17	35 / 21	17	30 / 31

Comparison of Whole Smoke toxicity (NRU) of bench mark cigarettes and charcoal filter cigarettes



Conclusions

- **In ISO and CINT smoking regime all three charcoal test cigarettes showed a significant decrease of Vapour Phase toxicity.**
- **The condensate toxicity of cigarettes smoked according to the ISO and CINT regime remained at roughly similar level.**
- **Whole Smoke toxicity test with bubbled medium confirm the positive effect of charcoal filter only in MTS test.**
- **The fresh Whole Smoke show significant lower toxicity for charcoal cigarettes. When smoking according to CINT whole smoke toxicity of test cigarettes was found to be 70% lower compared to benchmark products.**
- **The decrease of toxicity in fresh smoke seems to originate not only from the Vapour Phase. The fresh particulate matter of smoke seems to contribute positive effects.**

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