

“COPD in Non smoker - Evolving NCD”

**Attributable to Indoor airpollution – A research
Perspective**

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COPD - Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

- * COPD is a common, preventable and treatable disease that is characterized by persistent respiratory symptoms and airflow limitation that is due to airway and/or alveolar abnormalities usually caused by significant exposure to noxious particles or gases

Figure 2.1. Pathways to the diagnosis of COPD

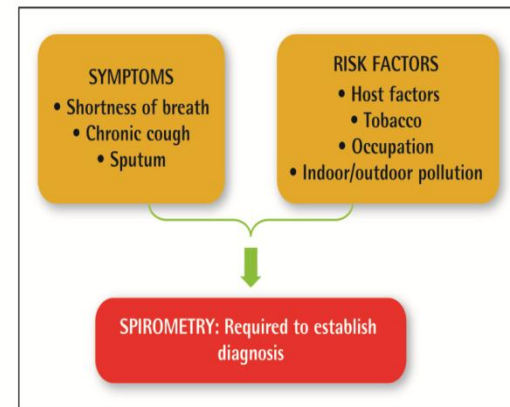


Table 2.4. Classification of airflow limitation severity in COPD (Based on post-bronchodilator FEV₁)

In patients with FEV₁/FVC < 0.70:

GOLD 1:	Mild	FEV ₁ ≥ 80% predicted
GOLD 2:	Moderate	50% ≤ FEV ₁ < 80% predicted
GOLD 3:	Severe	30% ≤ FEV ₁ < 50% predicted
GOLD 4:	Very Severe	FEV ₁ < 30% predicted

FEV ₁ (% predicted)	
GOLD 1	≥ 80
GOLD 2	50-79
GOLD 3	30-49
GOLD 4	< 30



MORTALITY

BURDEN OF ILLNESS

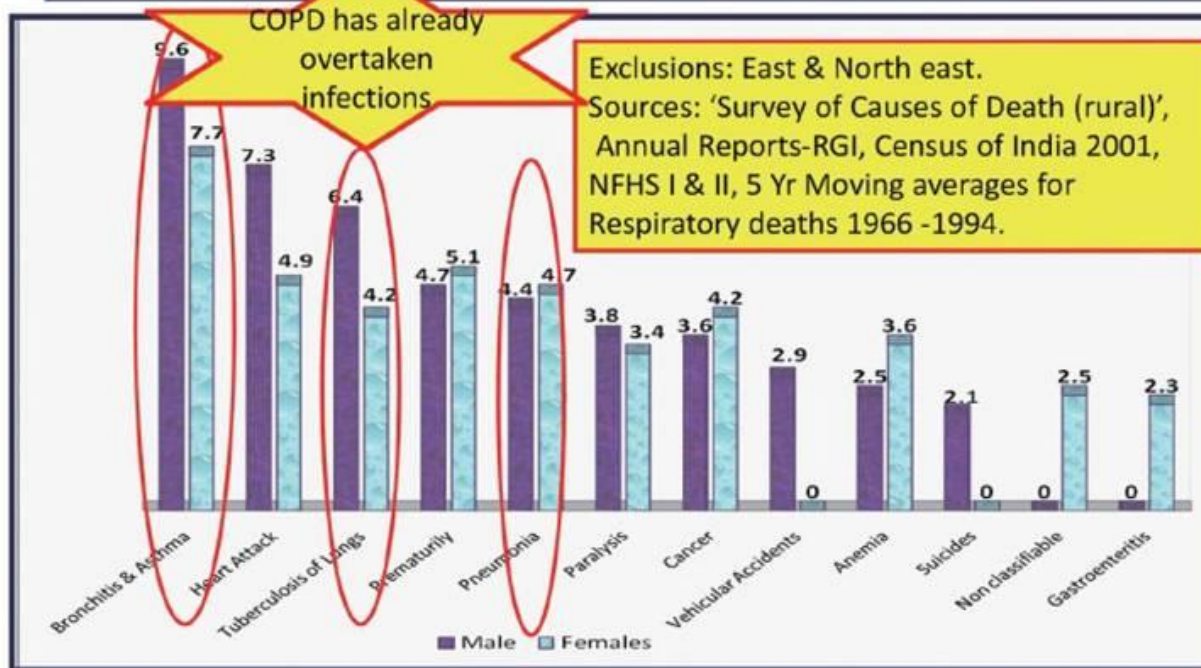
Cause	Deaths
CHD	724,269
Cancer	534,947
CVA	158,060
COPD	114,318
Accidents	94,828
Diabetes	64,574

- * COPD is the 4th leading cause of death (next to IHD, Cancer, CVA).
- * In 2000, the WHO estimated 2.74 million COPD deaths worldwide.
- * In 1990, COPD was ranked 12th among the burden of diseases
- * By 2020 it is projected to rank 3rd.
- * Often, COPD is covert



Situation in Rural India

Leading causes of mortality in rural India, 1994



Ramanakumar A & Aparajita C. Respiratory Disease Burden in Rural India: A review from Multiple Data Sources.
The Internet Journal of Epidemiology; 2005, Volume 2, Number 2



COPD PREVALENCE 2000

Cause	% Change
CHD	- 59%
Cancer	- 64%
CVA	- 39%
COPD	+ 163%
Accident	+ 32%
All other	- 7%

■ Established Market Economies	6.98
■ Formerly Socialist Economies	7.35
■ India	4.38
■ China	26.20
■ Other Asia and Islands	2.89
■ Sub-Saharan Africa	4.41
■ Latin America and Caribbean	3.36
■ Middle Eastern Crescent	2.69
■ World	9.34

*From Murray & Lopez, 2001



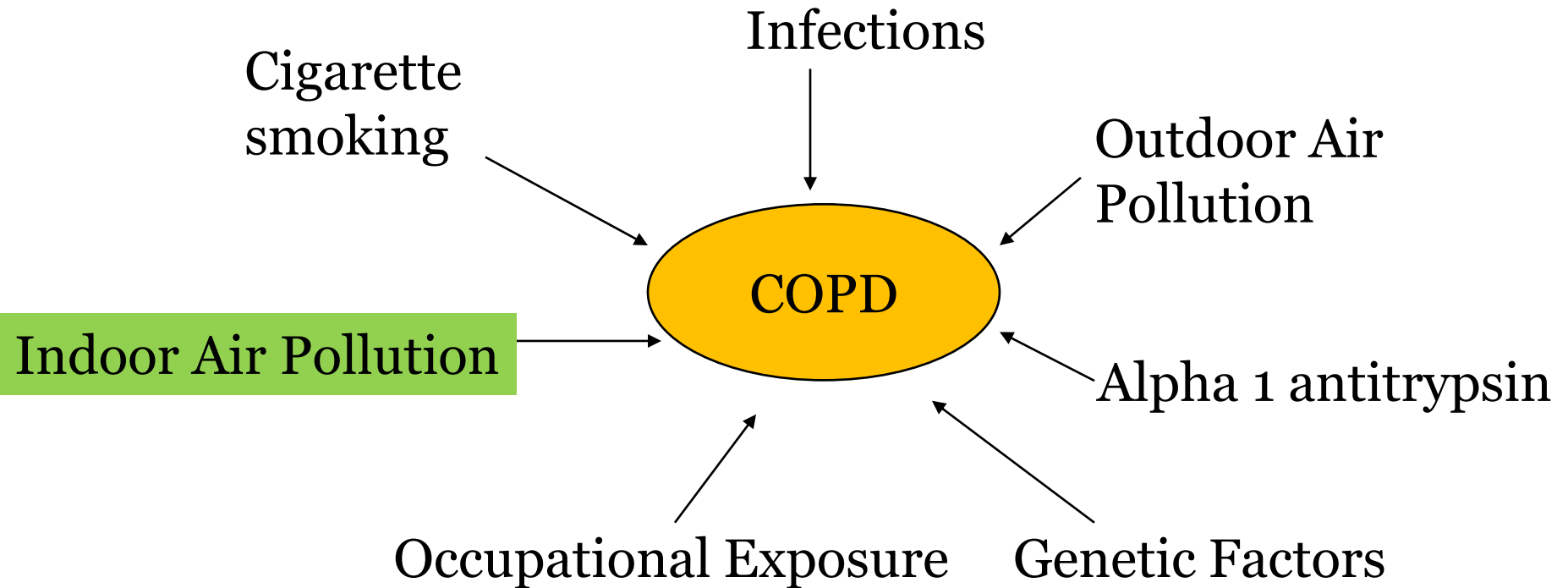
COPD Prevalence in India – INSEARCH study (16 centers)

- * Prevalence of COPD from India (from different population-based studies): highly variable
- * Male subjects: 2.12% to 9.4% (North India), 1.4% to 4.08% (South India)
- * Female subjects: 1.33% to 4.9% (North India), 2.55% to 2.7% (South India)
- * Median prevalence rates (>30 years): Male – 5%, Female – 2.7%
- * More common in males

Jindal et al. 2004

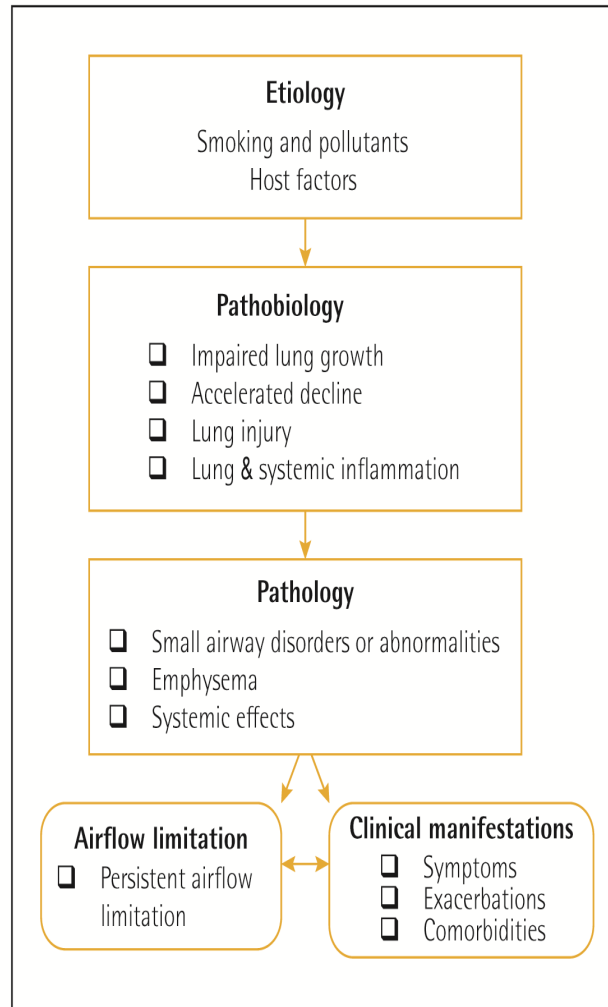


Risk factors for COPD



COPD Etiology, Pathobiology & Pathology

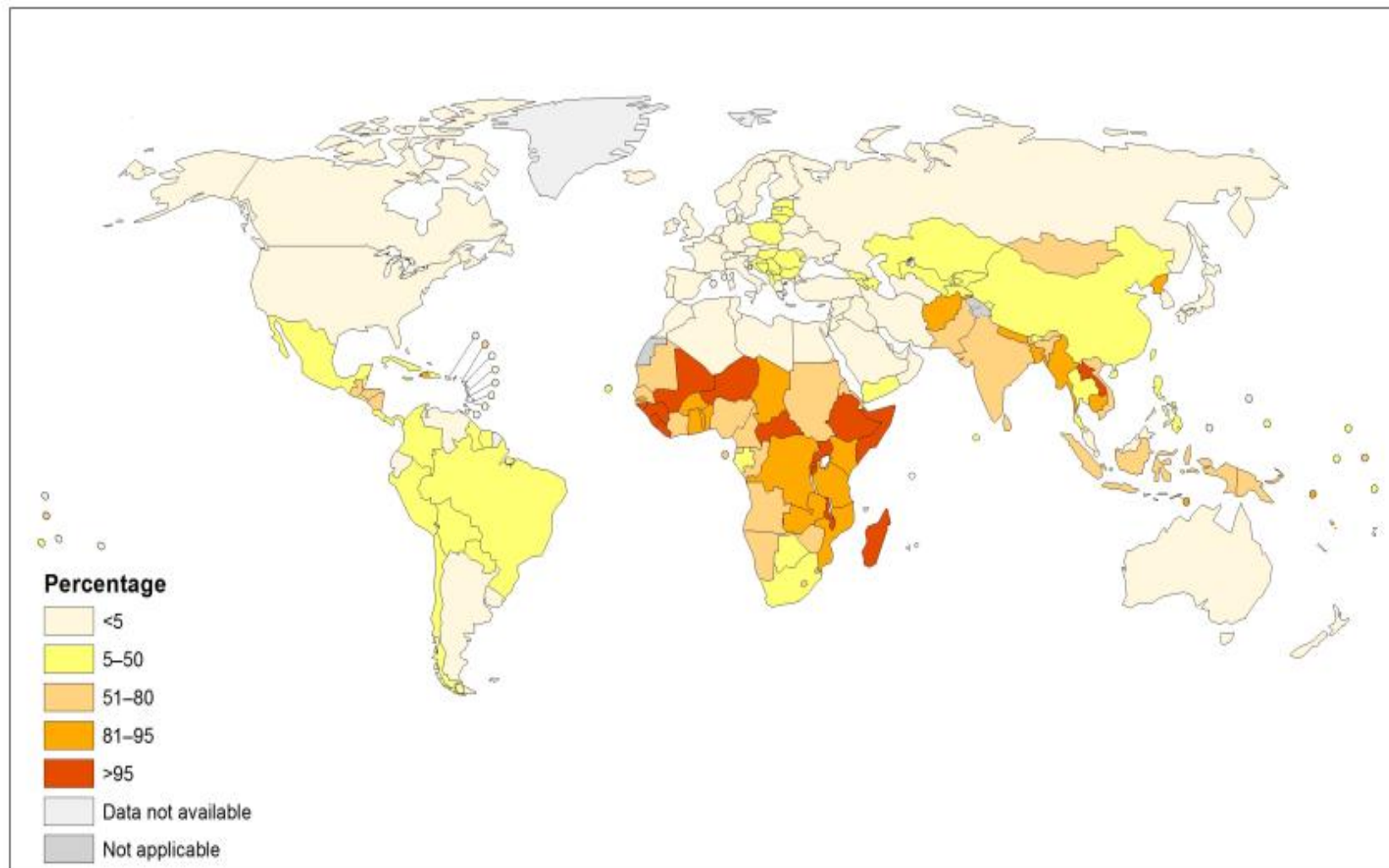
Figure 1.1. Etiology, pathobiology and pathology of COPD leading to airflow limitation and clinical manifestations



- ▶ **Pathology**
 - Chronic inflammation
 - Structural changes
- ▶ **Pathogenesis**
 - Oxidative stress
 - Protease-antiprotease imbalance
 - Inflammatory cells
 - Inflammatory mediators
 - Peribronchiolar and interstitial fibrosis
- ▶ **Pathophysiology**
 - Airflow limitation and gas trapping
 - Gas exchange abnormalities
 - Mucus hypersecretion
 - Pulmonary hypertension



Population using solid fuels (%), 2010 Total



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World Health Organization



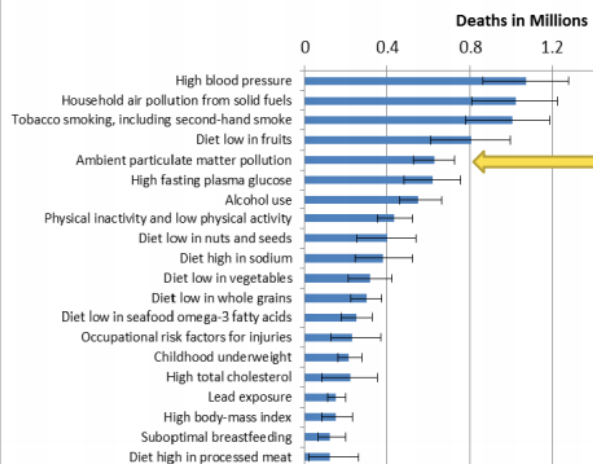
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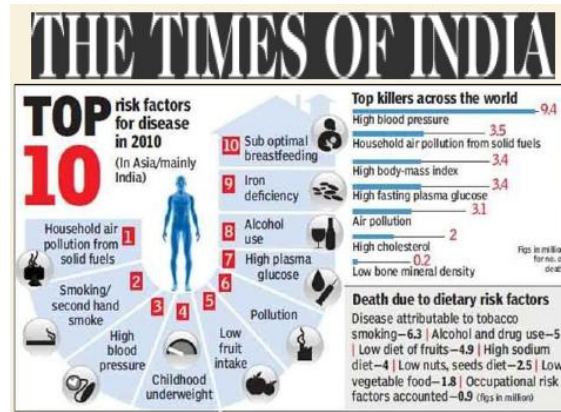
Global Burden of disease attributable to 20 leading risk factors in 2010

Top 20 Mortality Risk Factors in India for 2010 Ambient PM_{2.5} is 5th leading mortality risk factor

Leading Risk Factors for Deaths in 2010 in India

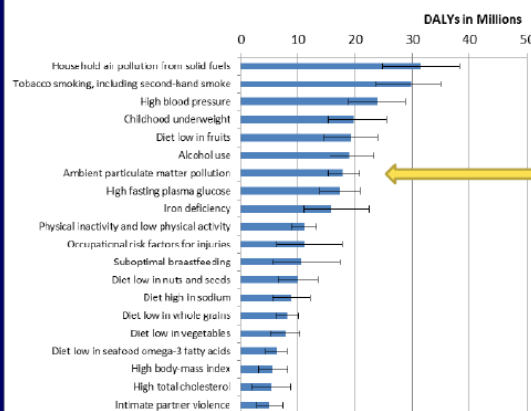


Ambient PM_{2.5} caused an estimated 627,000 deaths ~6% of all deaths in 2010



Top 20 Health Burden Risk Factors in India for 2010 (DALYs) Ambient PM_{2.5} is 7th leading risk for lost-years-of-healthy-life

Leading Risk Factors for DALYs in India in 2010



Ambient PM_{2.5} caused an estimated 17.7 million DALYs ~3% of all DALYs in 2010

THE LANCET

The Global Burden of Disease Study 2010



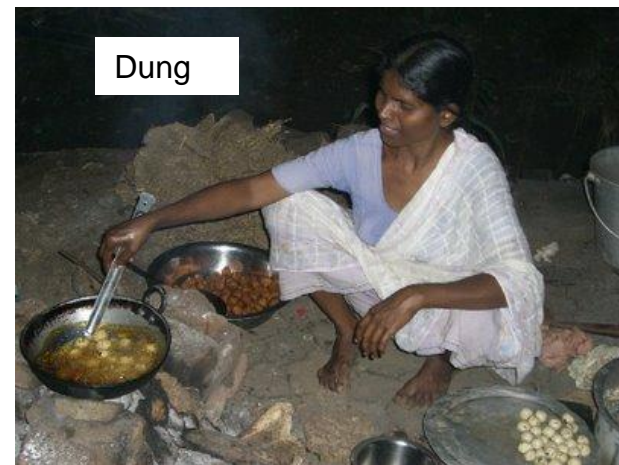
Household and Ambient Air Pollution: India faces a double burden

- Household air pollution (HAP) and ambient PM_{2.5} were the second and sixth leading risk factors for mortality in India in 2010: 1 million and 620 thousand deaths, respectively**
- HAP contributes to ambient PM_{2.5} and so is responsible for some proportion of the burden of disease attributed to ambient PM_{2.5}**
- Reducing household air pollution is necessary in some settings in order to improve outdoor air quality**



Why is household biomass fuel use an important public health issue?

- * High prevalence of biomass fuel use for everyday energy need
 - 50% of world's population use biomass (80% in India)
- * Recognized as an important contributor to the burden of disease especially in developing countries (WHO 2004)





Emissions from combustion of solid fuels

- * Incomplete combustion of such fuels results in emissions of thousands of pollutants that include a **cocktail of aerosols** in the respirable range (0.1-10 μm in aerodynamic diameter), gases such as **carbon monoxide**, small amounts of **nitrogen dioxide**, and vapours including **HCs** and **aldehydes**.
- * At least 28 pollutants have been shown to be toxic in animal studies
 - 14 carcinogenic compounds, 6 cilia –toxic and mucous coagulating agents and 4- co-carcinogenic s have been identified in solid fuel smoke.
- * IARC- indoor emissions from household combustion of coal as Group 1 carcinogen ; Biomass fuel (mainly wood) as “probably carcinogenic to humans” (**Group 2A carcinogen**)



Biomass use and Corpulmonale among non smoking women



Padmavibhushan, still practising at the age of 101

- Padmavati, an elected fellow of the National Academy of Medical Sciences
- First woman cardiologist in India in 1954 and established the first cardiac clinic and cardiac cath lab in North India.
- Association of chronic corpulmonale with cow dung smoke in early 1950s.. Published in circulation and British J of Diseases Chest in 1976



IAP and Health outcomes

ALRI/
Pneumonia

Asthma

Low birth
weight

Early
infant
death

Cognitive
Impairment?



COPD
Interstitial lung
disease

Cancer
(lung, NP)

Blindness
(cataracts,
trachoma)

Tuberculosis

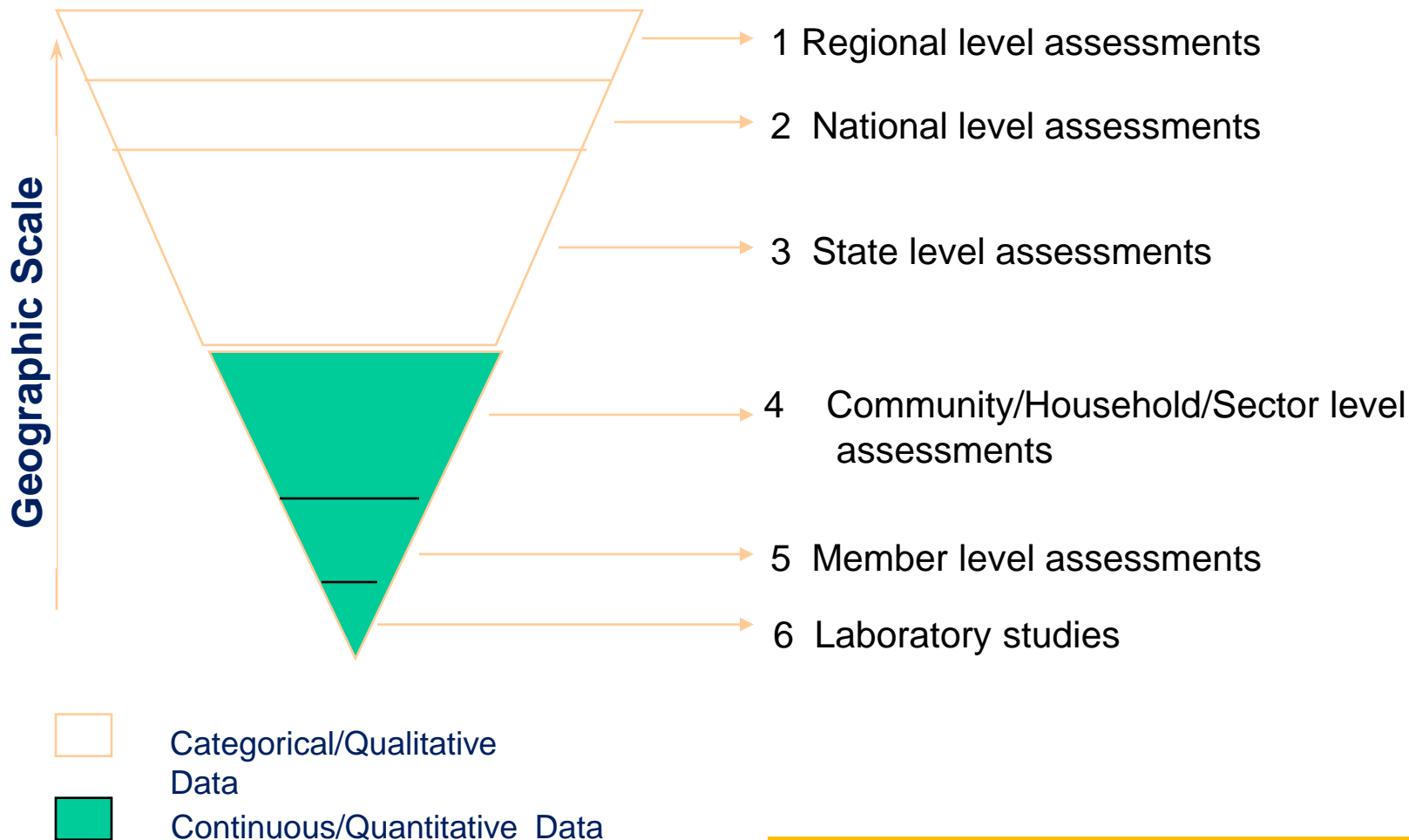
Heart disease?

Air Pollution and Health Studies

- * **Ecologic study** – Examines the association between exposure rates and disease rates in a group over time. In ecologic studies, the exposure and disease status of individuals in the group are unknown. Therefore, one limitation of this study design is that those exposed and those with the disease may not be the same individuals.
- * **Time-series study** – Analyzes a series of data points that results from repeated measurements over time. Adjustments are made for cyclical or seasonal trends such as daily peaks in PM levels or annual influenza trends in order to identify larger trends that demonstrate the association between exposure and disease.
- * **Cohort study** – The health status of individuals in a cohort (i.e., group of study participants) whose exposure status is known at the start of the study is monitored over time to see if there is an association between their exposure and particular health outcomes.



Our research paradigm

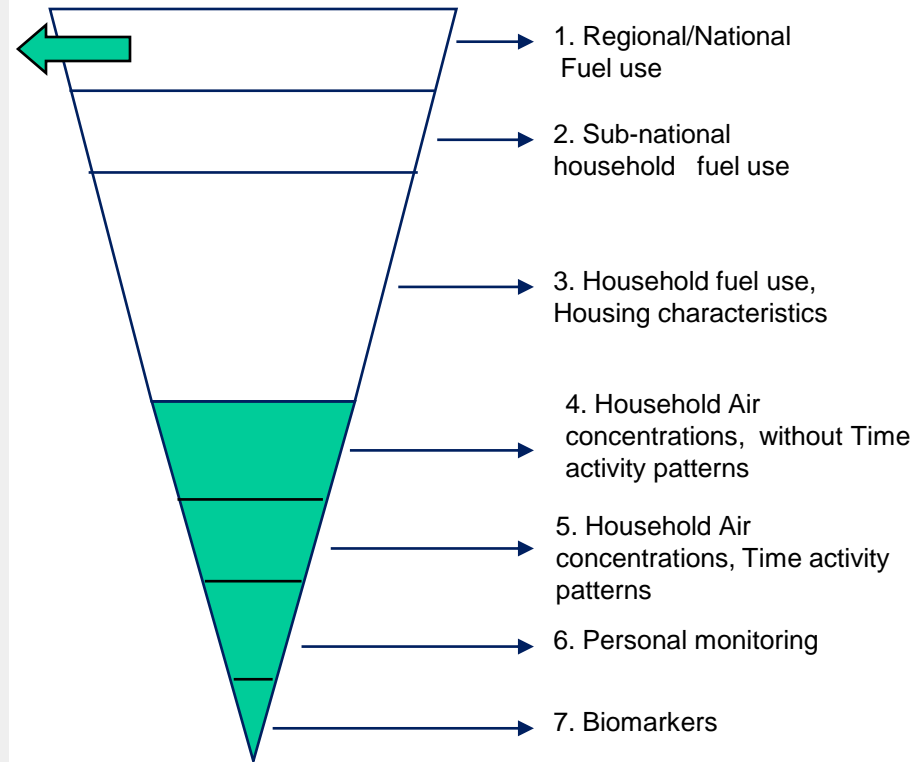
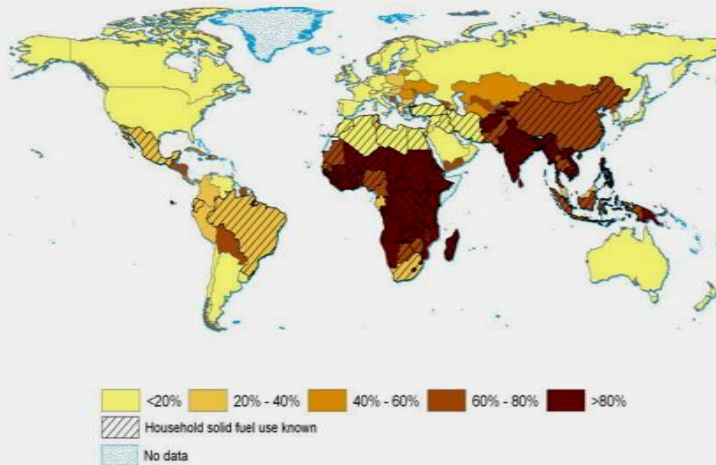


Dept. of EHE -ICMR and WHO center



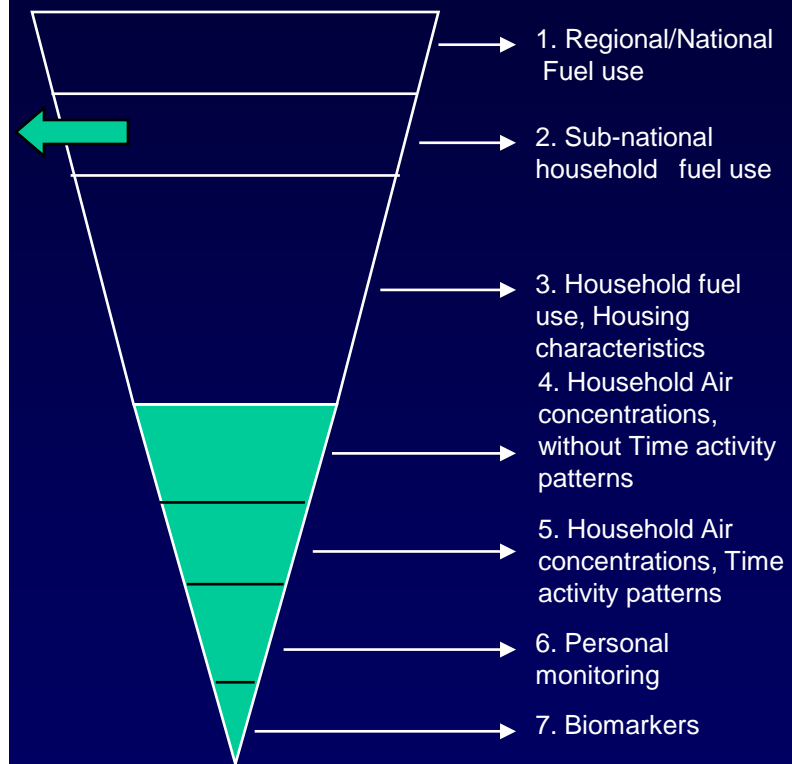
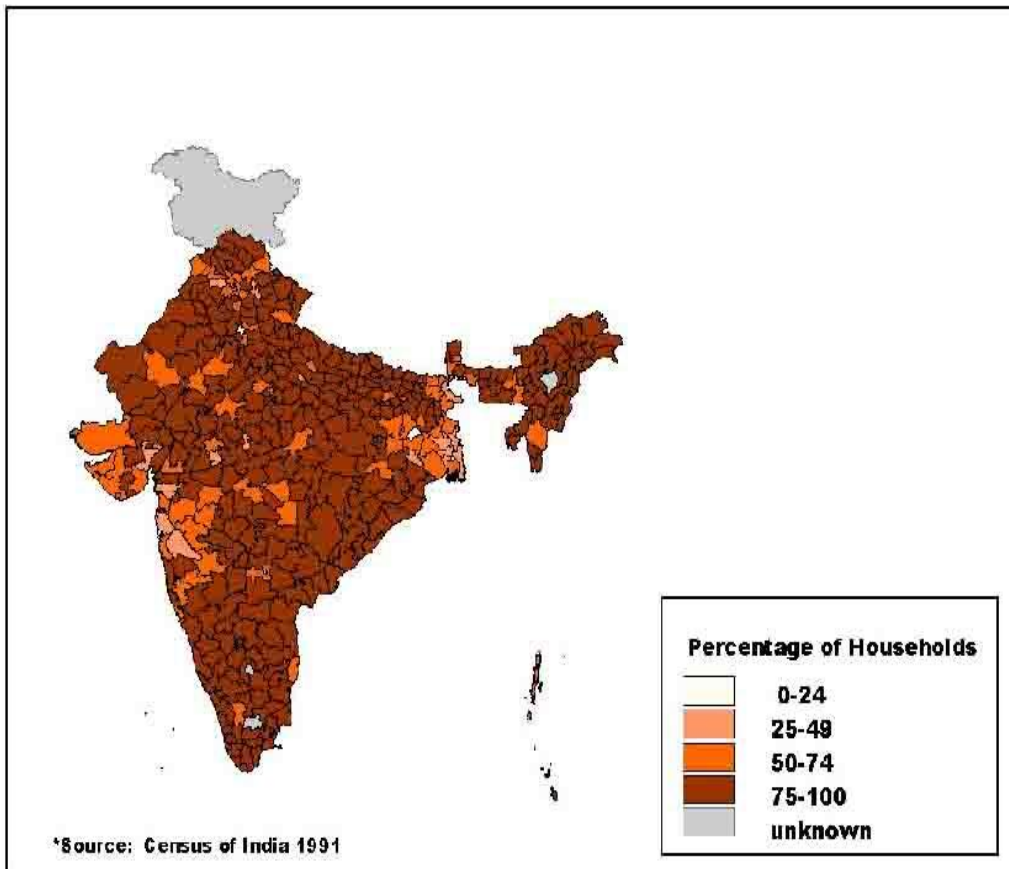
Regional level

National Household Solid Fuel Use, 2000



Balakrishnan et. al. 2000





Courtesy: K. Smith



1. Regional/National Fuel use

2. Sub-national household fuel use

3. Household fuel use, Housing characteristics

4. Household Air concentrations, without Time activity patterns

5. Household Air concentrations, Time activity patterns

6. Personal monitoring

7. Biomarkers

Exposure Determinants

* PROXIMAL

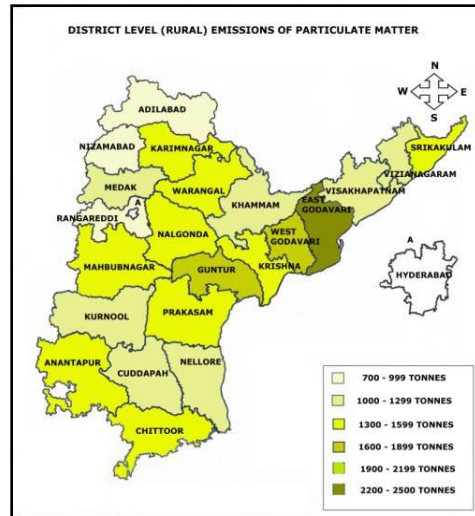
- Type of fuels
- Type of stoves
- Cooking vs. heating use
- Household layout
- Ventilation
- Room volume
- Duration of cooking
- Fuel quantity
- Time-activity profiles
- Other IAP sources

DISTAL

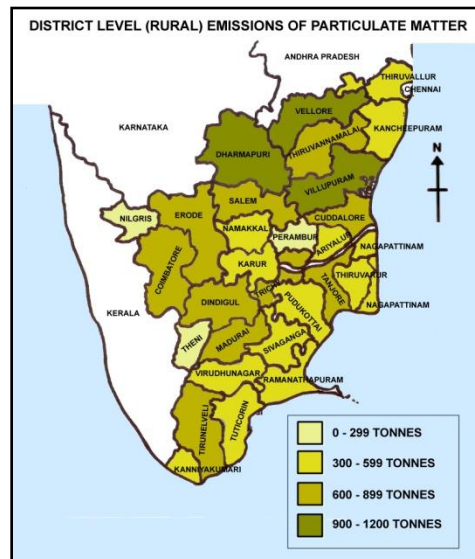
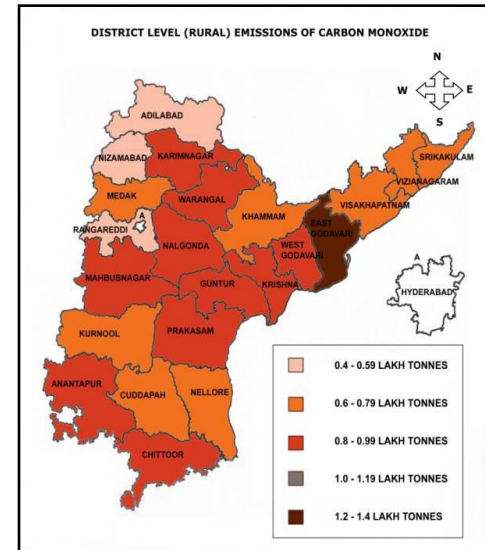
Income
Education
Climate
Socio-cultural factors
Energy market structures



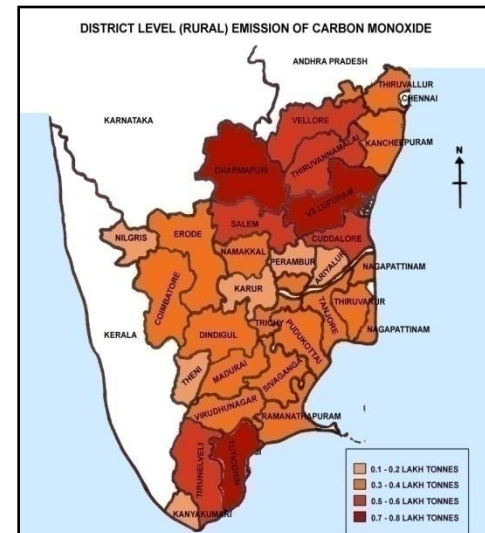
District level emissions of health damaging pollutants in Southern India (USEPA-IES)



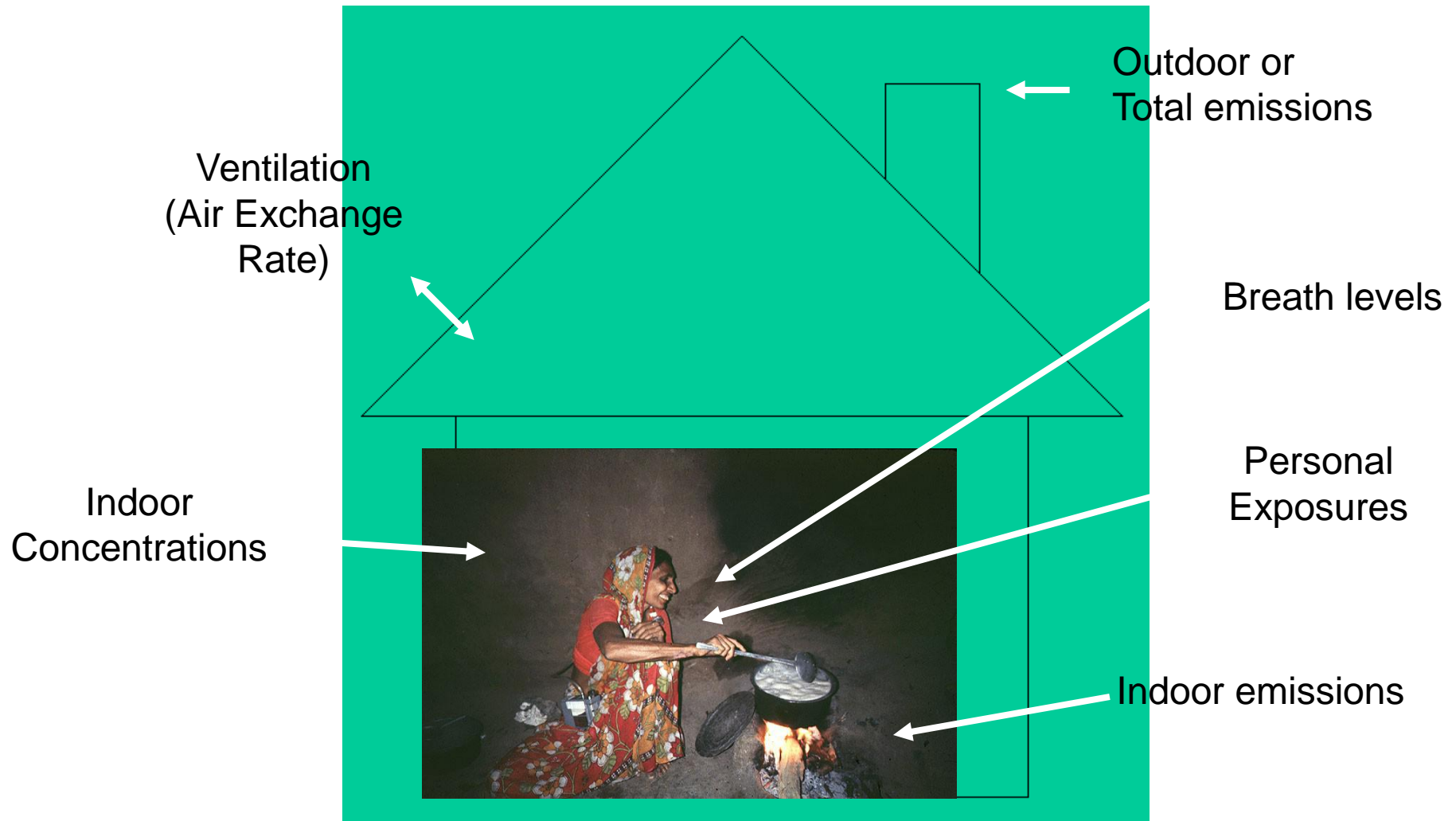
Andhra Pradesh



Tamil Nadu



What Characteristics Can Be Measured?

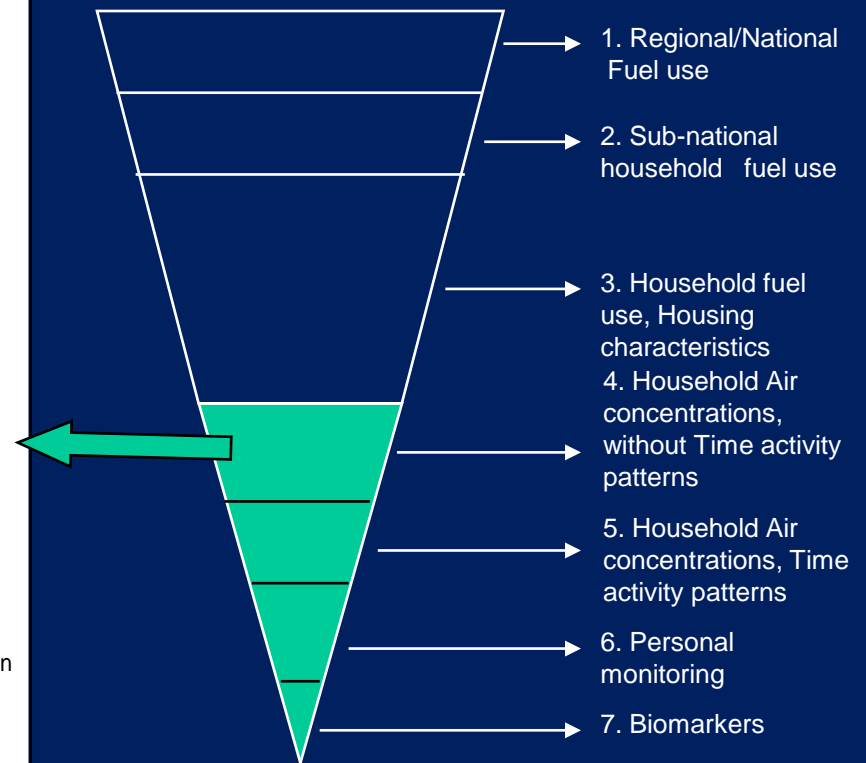
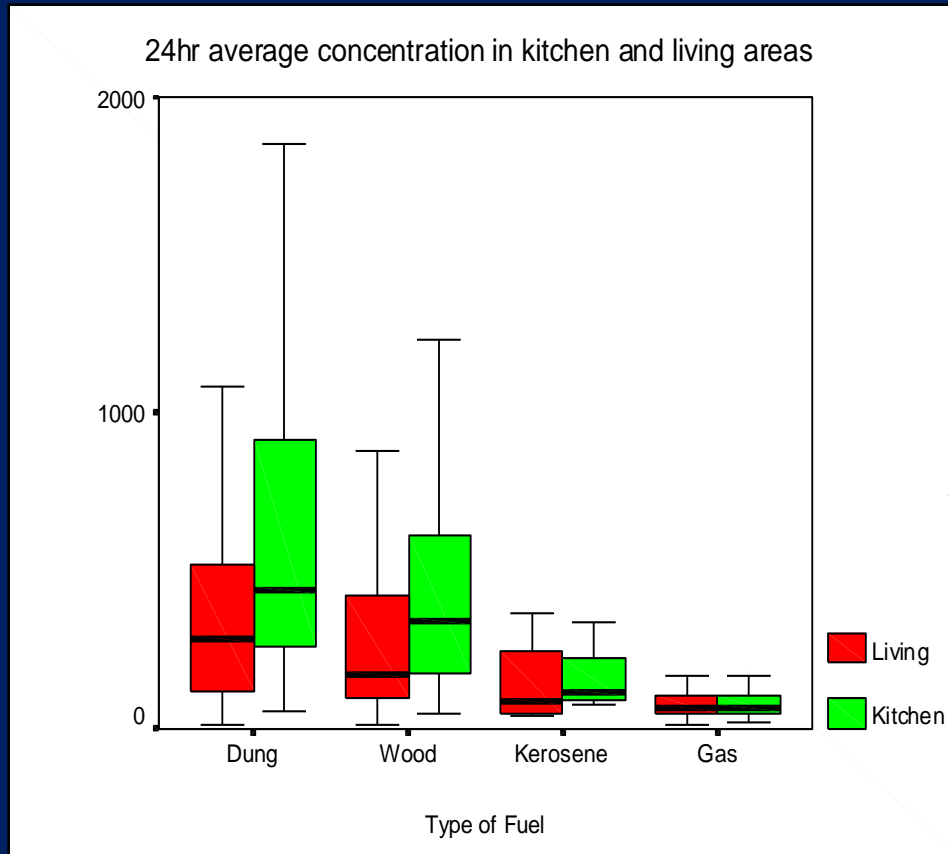


Fuel & stove use patterns; Time-activity patterns





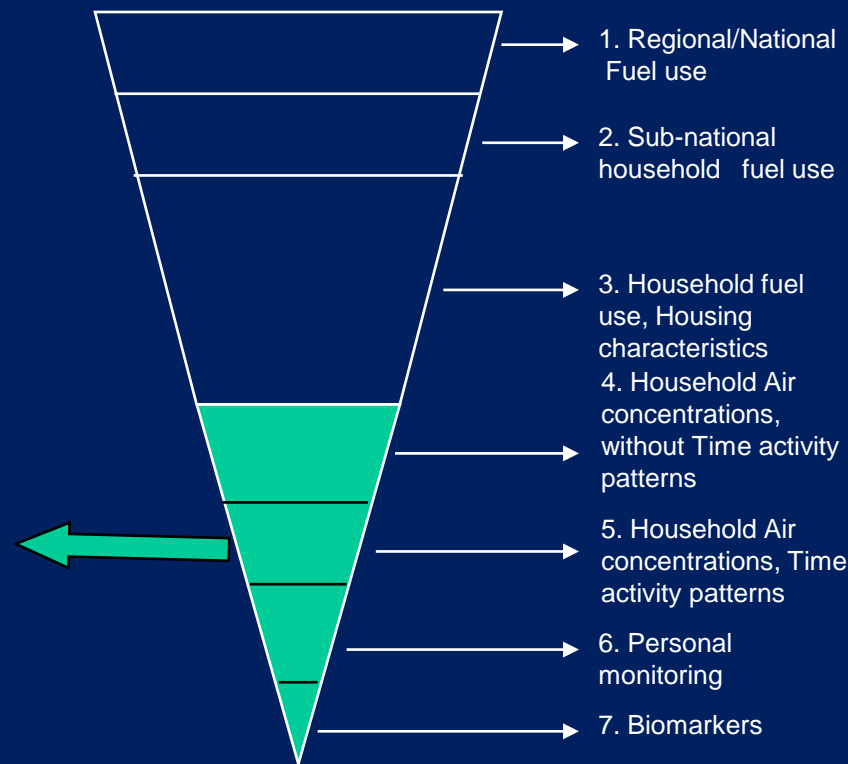
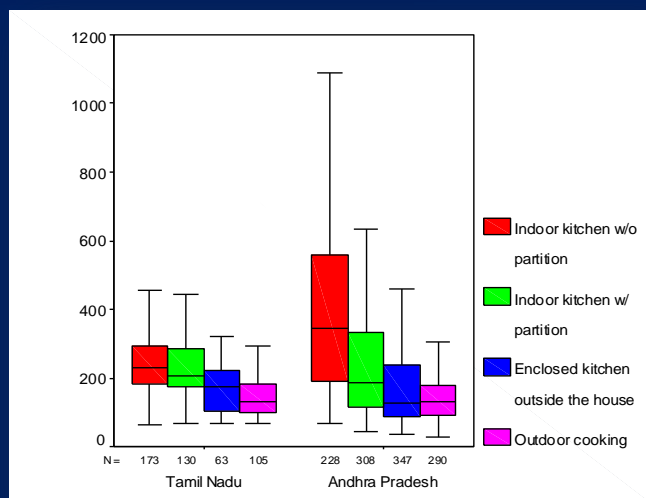
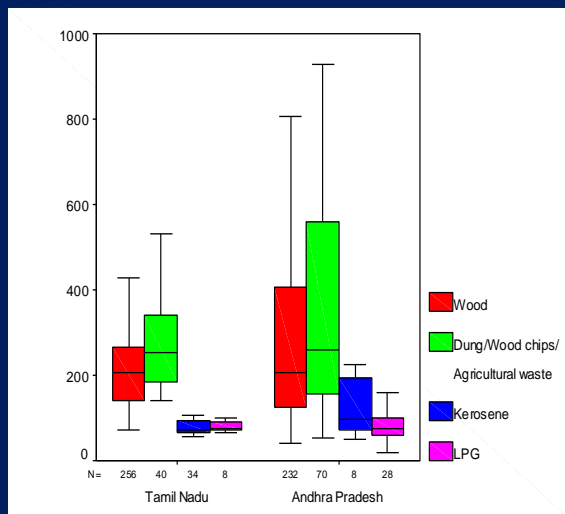
Area Concentrations (UNDP Cap21)



Balakrishnan, Padmavathi et.al 2000



Exposures



Balakrishnan, Padmavathi et.al 2000; 2002



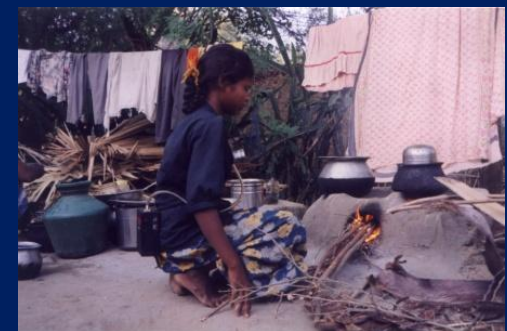
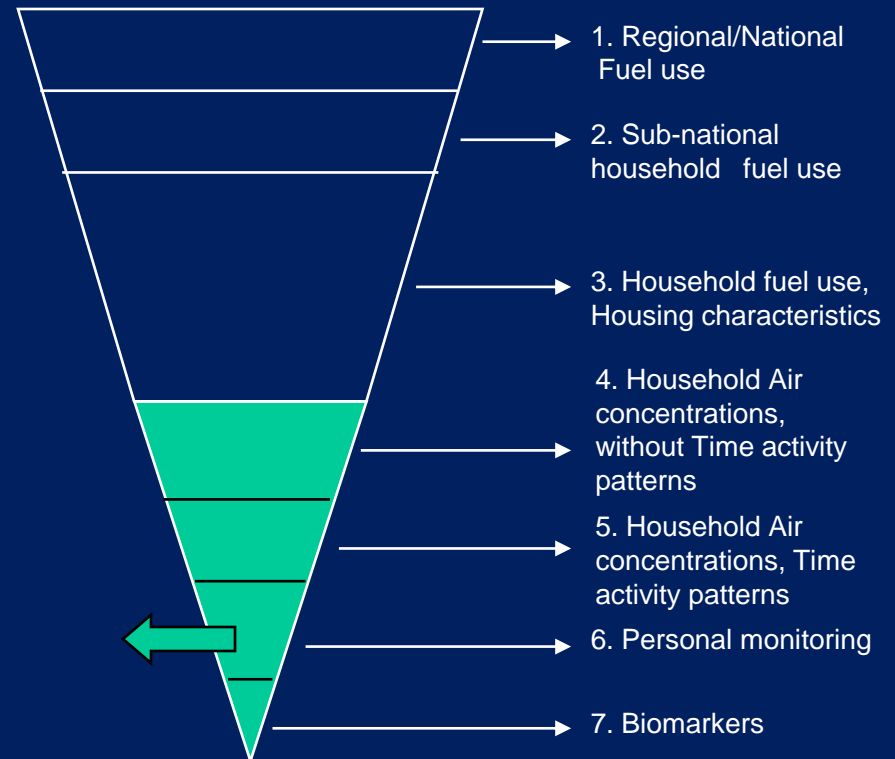
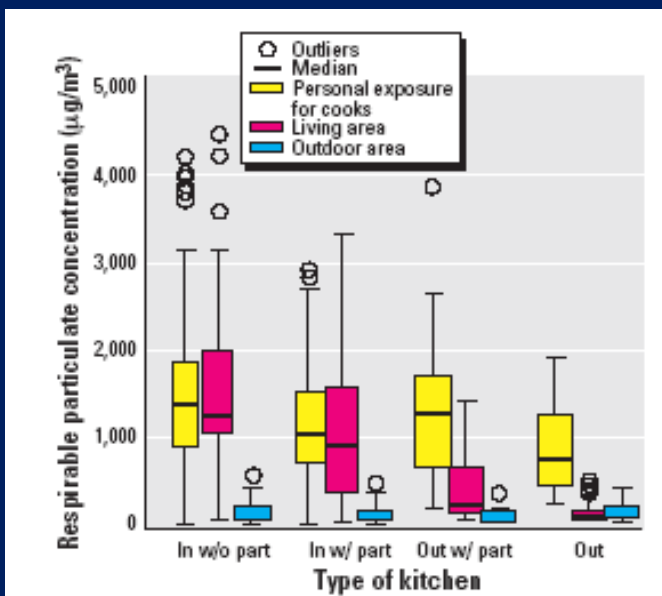
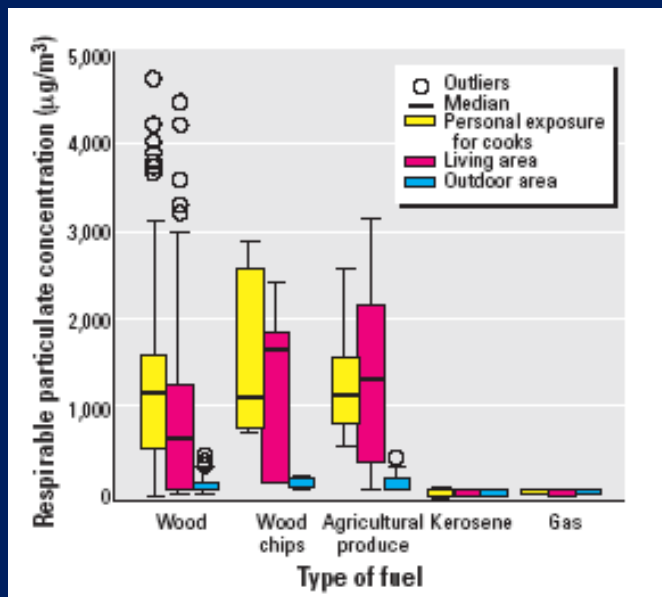
First person in human history to have her exposure measured doing one of the oldest tasks in human history



Filter

Pump

Kheda District,
Gujarat, India
1981



Epidemiological studies – Health outcomes

Completed

- * TB
- * ALRI
- * COPD
- * Stove intervention studies

TAPHE study -ICMR urban-rural cohort

- * Asthma
- * LBW
- * COPD
- * Currently in progress – HAPIN - Intervention study



Rationale

**Chronic Obstructive
Pulmonary Disease
RR: 2.0-4.0**

**Acute Lower
Respiratory
Infection
RR: 2.0 -5.0**

**Studies in non
smoking rural
women using
biomass from
South India were
very few**



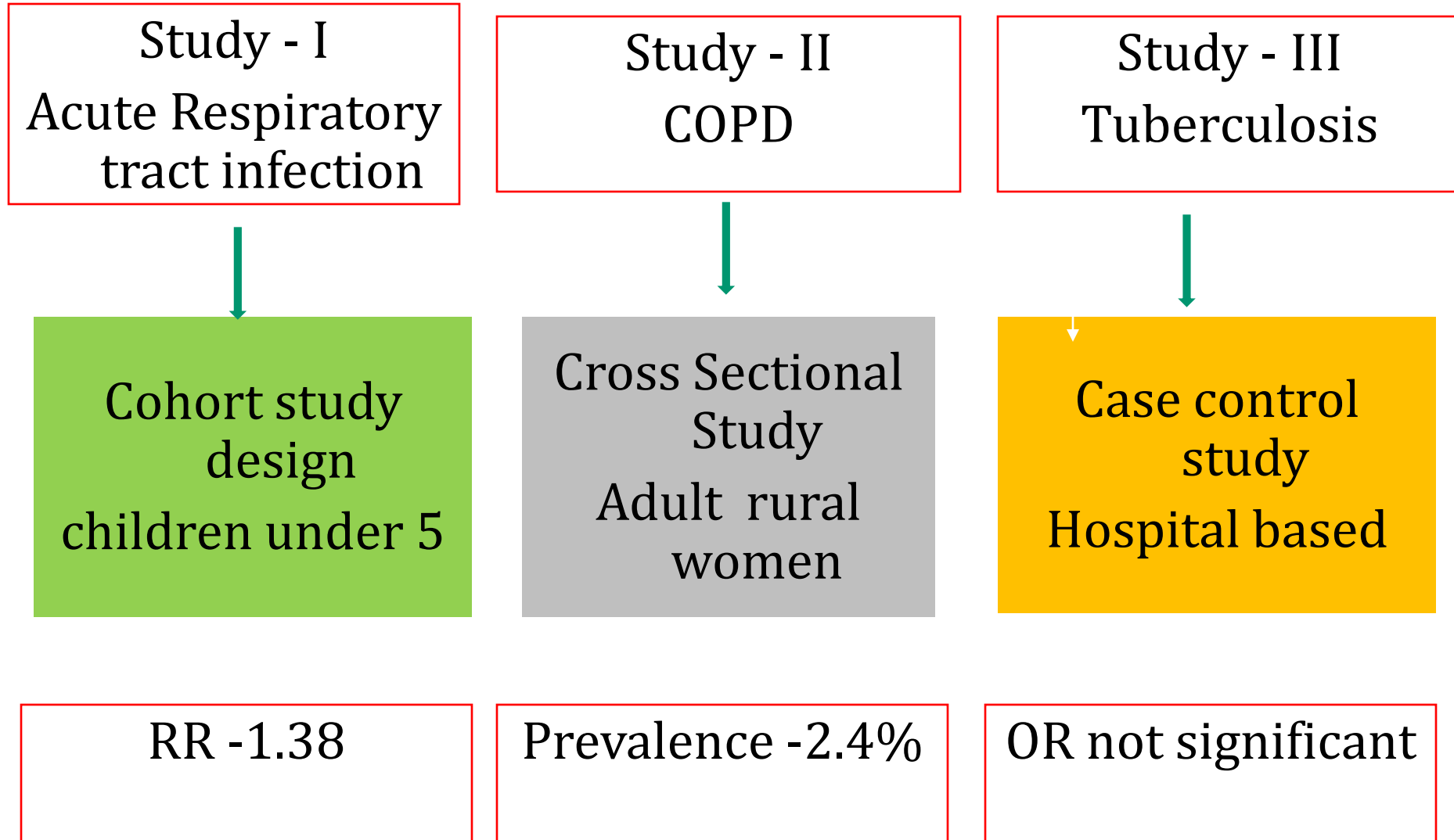
**Two studies from
India examining
association
between biomass
and ARI in children
and none from
South India**

**Tuberculosis
RR: 1.5-3.0**

**Previous studies shows equivocal
evidence**

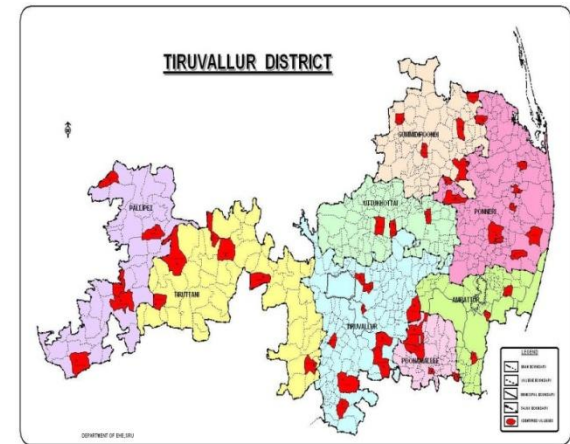


Summary of the Respiratory studies



Materials & Methods - COPD

- * **Study design:** Cross sectional study; January – May 2007
- * **Sample size:** 900 subjects based on the based on expected 10% prevalence of COPD; α of 0.05; power of 0.80
- * **Study Area:** Thiruvallur District in Tamil Nadu
- * **Sampling method** – cluster sampling (20 females from 45 villages)
- * **Data collection** – As per GOLD criteria



Results: Prevalence rate of COPD in the study population

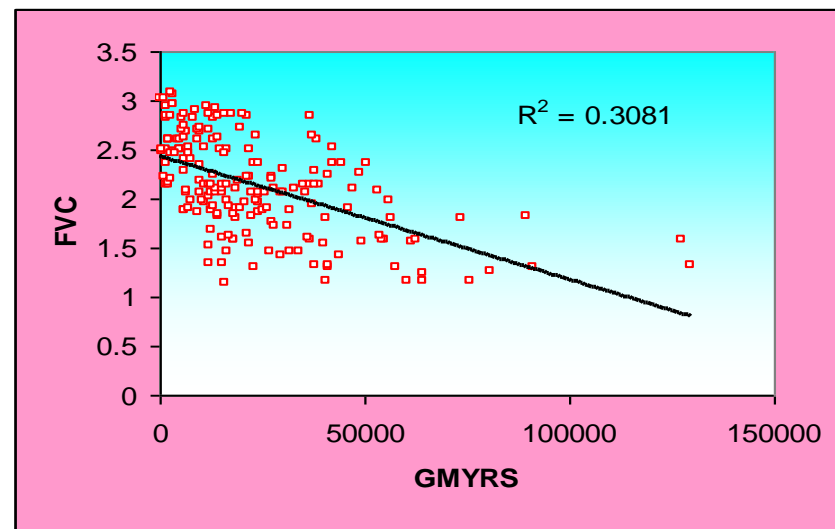
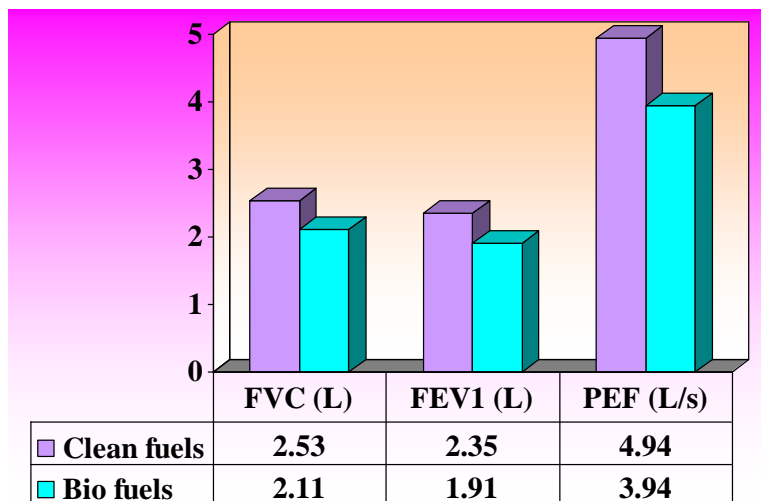
Variables		Prevalence rate (%)
Overall prevalence		2.44% (1.43, 3.45)
Age	30 -50	1.8 (0.73, 2.87)
	51 -70	3.6 (1.49, 5.70)
Main occupation	Outdoor	2.25 (0.87, 3.63)
	Indoor	2.63 (1.16 ,4.1)
Literacy status	Literate	1.5 (0.19, 3.19)
	Illiterate	2.7 (1.5, 3.9)
Fuel type	Clean	2.0 (0.26,4.26)
	Biomass	2.5 (1.38,3.61)



Air pollution and Health Studies – SRMC & RI

Exposure to respirable particulate matter from bio-fuel combustion and pulmonary function in women

Area	Methods	Key Results
IAP - PFT	Exposure assessment (Area concentration and years of cooking) and PFT Cross sectional study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lung functions were significantly higher in clean fuel users than biofuel users • Significant negative association of FVC, FEV1 & PEF and Microgram years with r value of -0.59, -0.59 and -0.54



Exposure response relationship– ICMR Urban – Rural Cohort - TAPHE study (Yet to be published)

- Established a rural-urban cohort of adult men and women for air pollution related health effects - chronic respiratory symptoms and lung function in Tamil Nadu – *can serve as baseline for future comparisons.*
- Overall Prevalence of any chronic respiratory symptoms in subjects of the adult cohort – ranged from 2 to 16%
- 10% increase in prevalence of respiratory symptoms per $10\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ change in 24-hr PM_{2.5} concentrations
- $10\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ change in 24-hr PM_{2.5} concentrations was significantly associated with a lower FVC (17ml) and a lower FEV₁ (15ml)



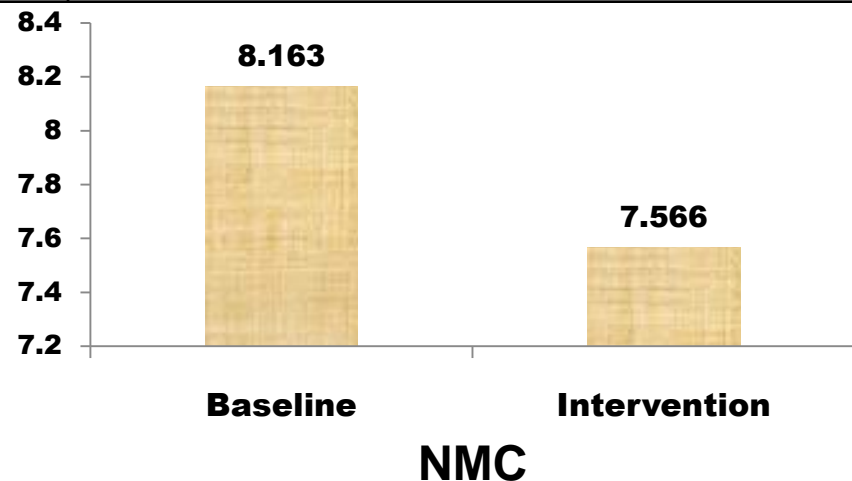
Intervention studies- Stove Users



Air pollution and Health Studies – SRU

Interventional Studies – Improved Cook stoves

Area	Methods	Key Results
IAP - NMC	Exposure assessment and NMC Cross sectional study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant reduction in particulate matter levels. • Significant improvement in health indicators
IAP-PFT Ongoing	Cohort study -AP - two year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PM levels and PFT



SRMC & RI's involvement in IAP

Exposure assessment
in nearly 2000 households in the states of
TN, AP, Karnataka,
MP, WB, Uttaranchal

Exposure efficacy /M&E
for stove /fuel interventions

Co-benefits for health and climate change

Health assessment for members of a
subset of these households

GBD 2000,GBD 2002,
WHO AQG 2006, IARC 2007
GBD 2008,GEA 2008;
BMC;Lancet articles

ICMR Mother child Cohort- TAPHE study

Currently in progress
Intervention study - HAPIN study



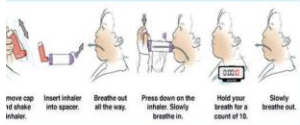
Reduction of Indoor air pollution



- * Substitute solid fuels with LPG or electricity
- * Locate kitchen outside living/sleeping areas
- * Adequately ventilate kitchens
- * Minimize exposure (e.g., smokeless chullahs)
- * Behavioural changes



Recent Initiative by SRIHER Pulmonary Rehabilitation center

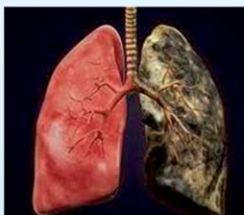


Pulmonary Rehabilitation Centre

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FACULTY OF PHYSIOTHERAPY BUILDING,
(Behind 'G' Block)
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EXTN : 8135 / 434 / 8083
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PULMONARY REHABILITATION CENTRE



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WHAT IS PULMONARY REHABILITATION (PR)?

Pulmonary rehabilitation is an outpatient program for patients with chronic lung diseases, who have respiratory symptoms that result in decreased daily activities or a decrease in health related quality of life. Chronic lung diseases are chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), interstitial lung disease, bronchial asthma, bronchiectasis and cystic lung disease.

The pulmonary rehabilitation program is conducted by a multidisciplinary team which includes Chest physician, physiotherapist, respiratory therapist, psychiatrist, psychologist, nutritionist, social worker, nurse, educationist and yoga therapist. They are all trained in pulmonary rehabilitation.

The pulmonary rehabilitation program is designed to improve health related quality of life, improve exercise tolerance, and decrease hospitalization.

WHICH PATIENT NEEDS PULMONARY REHABILITATION?

Pulmonary rehabilitation is for people with chronic lung diseases, pre & post lung transplant patients and people who are exposed to indoor/outdoor pollution, having breathlessness, cough, reduced ability to walk or work.

WHY DO YOU NEED PULMONARY REHABILITATION?

If you have been diagnosed with any one of the following conditions, you may benefit from pulmonary rehabilitation:

If you find it difficult to do day to day activities, you may benefit from this program.

First you will be examined by a qualified Chest physician and after assessment, you will be referred to the rehabilitation team members.

Pulmonary rehabilitation program consists of one hour of supervised exercises like treadmill, weight training equipment and one hour of education on nutrition, medications, wellness and living with lung disease, for 2 to 3 times a week, for 6 to 12 weeks.

The exercise will improve your breathing and functional ability.

You will be educated about breathing exercises, sputum clearance, oxygen therapy, inhaler technique and emotional support which will improve your ability to care for yourself.



WHAT BENEFIT YOU GET?

Pulmonary rehabilitation helps you to improve your quality of life.

- symptoms like breathlessness decreases
- muscle strength improves, endurance improves.
- Nutrition improves with healthy eating
- better management of anxiety and depression
- Reduction or cessation of cigarette / beedi smoking.



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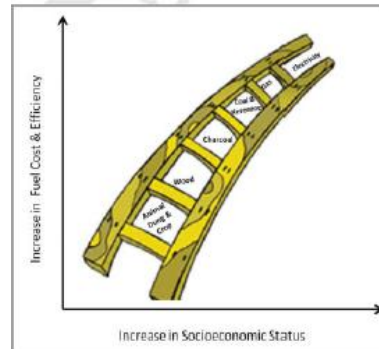


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Feasible

**Realistic
target setting
makes the feasible
more effective**

**Holistic
capacity building
makes the effective
more feasible**



Effective



To conclude.....

Finally the public and policy-makers should be encouraged to understand by Medical Fraternity that it is neither necessary nor acceptable to wait for people to be healthy until people become wealthy.

Indeed, addressing such public health risks is an essential element for ensuring equity in quality of life among populations, and it is hoped that the information presented here represents a small, incremental step toward achieving that goal.

