# **Dedication**

To My Mother
To my Father, Sisters and Brothers
To My Uncle soul
To My Wife

To All Colleagues and Friends

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#### الخلاصة

أجريت هذه الدراسة الوصفية المستقبلية في مدينة الأبيض في الفترة ما بين أبريل الله أغسطس 2009م. الغـرض مـن هـذه الدراسـة هـو تقييـم النشـاط الخلـوي الإستثاري في بطانة الفرد لمستخدمي التمباك عن طريق صبغة بابانيكول وحسـاب متوسط النقاط النظمية النووية.

تم جمع اللطخات من المكان الذي يوضع فيه التمباك من بطانة الفم ل (100) مـن مستخدمي التباكو كفئة ضابطة تتراوح أعمارهم بين (11-70) سنة بمتوسط عمـر (26) سـنة. متوسـط أعمـار الحـالات ( ±27.5) سنة و متوسط أعمار الفئة الضابطة (24±10) سنة.

أظهرت هذه الدراسة أن كل اللطخات التي أخذت مـن الحـالات بهـا تقـرن واضـح, بينما هنالك لطخة واحده من الفئة الضابطة بها تقرن وكان السبب فـي ذلـك تنـاول الكحول.

من (100) الحالة, 47 (47%) حالة أظهرت تقرن منخفض, بينما الحالات المتبقية من (100) النسبة الأعلى من التقرن القرن مفرط (ب>0.0001). النسبة الأعلى من التقرن بينما المنخفض وجدت في مجموعة مستخدمي التمباك الأقل من 10 سنوات, بينما النسبة الأعلى من التقرن المفرط وجدت في مجموعة مستخدمي التمباك الأكثر من 11 سنة. فيما يختص بالعمر, وجد أنه كلما تقدم العمر كلما زادت نسبة التقرن. في ما يتعلق بالعدوى و الالتهابات, نجد ان الحالات أكتر عرضة من الفئات الضابطة, و السبب في ذلك التقرحات و التهيجات التي يحدثها التمباك في الغشاء البطاني للفم.

في قياس متوسط النقاط النظمية النووية, وجد أن 26 (26%) من الحالات أظهرت متوسط النقاط النظمية النووية لغير مستخدمي التمباك(1.56±0.41) أقل مما وجد عند مستخدمي التمباك (

1.6±2.35) (ب >0.0001). بالاضافة الــى ان 20 (10%) و 6 (3%) مــن اللطخات أظهرت تقرن مفرط ومنخفض على التوالي (ب>0.03).

نتائج هذه الدراسة تدعم أن التمباك عامل عالي الخطورة في التأثير على الخلايا المخاطية للفم و أن طريقة الخلايا المتساقطة تعطي نتائج ذات قيمة في مسح وتقصي التغيرات الخلوية للفم.

#### **Abstract**

This is a descriptive prospective study to identify the cellular proliferative activity by Papanicolaou stain and mean AgNOR counts of the buccal mucosa of toombak users and non-Toombak Users in brush smears. The study was conducted in North Kordofan State – El-Obied during the period from April 2009 to August 2009. The smears were obtained from 200 apparently healthy male individuals, 100 were toombak users (cases) and the remaining hundred were non-tobacco users (controls), their ages ranging from 11 to 70 years with a mean age of 26 years. The mean age for the cases was (27.5 ±11 years), hence, the mean age for the controls was (24 ±10 years).

All of the cases were identified with keratinization; hence, only one study subject was identified with keratinization among control group due to alcohol drinking. Out of the 100 cases, 47 (47%) individuals were demonstrated with low keratinization and the remaining 53 (53%) persons were demonstrated with excessive keratinization (P < 0.0001). Higher proportions of low keratinization were found in duration range less than 10 years while High frequency of excessive keratinization was detected in duration range more than 11 years. In regard to the age, excessive keratinization is relatively increased with increasing of age.

In regard to the infections and inflammatory conditions, cases were more susceptible than controls, erosions and exposure of oral mucosa to toombak irritation are the major causative factors.

In the measurement of the AgNORs, 26 (26%) of the cases showed abnormal NOR count. Statistically, the mean AgNORs counts for the controls (1.56  $\pm$ 0.41) was lower than that for the cases (2.35  $\pm$ 1.6) (P < 0.0001). However, 20 (10%) and 6 (3%) of the specimens showed excessive and low keratinization respectively (P < 0.03).

These findings support that toombak dipping is a high risk factor for oral mucosal proliferative lesions and AgNORs and Papanicolaou tests are used as screening methods for toombak users.

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### **List of Abbreviations**

.AIDS: Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

.AgNOR: Arginophilic Nuclear Organizer Region

.HSV: Herpes Simplex Virus

.HPV: Human Papilloma Virus

.HIV: Human Immunodeficiency Virus

.SCC: Squamous cell Carcinoma

SEER: Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results program

.TSNA: Tobacco Specific N.nitrosamine

.NNN: Nitrosonoronicotine

NNK: Tobacco-Specific Nitrosamine 4-(Methylnitrosamino)-1-(3-

Pyridyl)-1-Butanone

.PAH: Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbon

.EBV: Epstein Barr Virus

.CMV: CytoMegaloVirus

.DNA: DeoxyriboNucleic Acid

CDX: Cancer Detecting System

.OL: Oral Leukoplakia

.OC: Oral cancer

.OLP: Oral Lichen Planus

.OSCC: Oral Squamous Cell Carcinoma

.LR: Likelihood Ratio

.FNA: Fine Needle Aspiration

.FNB: Fine Needle Biopsy

.RNA: RiboNucleic Acid

.EFC: Exfoliative Cytology

.ET: Epithelial Atypia

.OR: Old Ratio

.DPX: Distrene Polystyrene Xylene

.PAS: Periodic Acid Schiff's

.Pap: Papanicolaou

CI: Confidence Interval