

Cigarette Smokers

Interested in a novel research approach to quitting smoking at no cost to you?

Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine is seeking cigarette smokers who would like to quit smoking for participation in a scientific research study. The research study involves free counseling and treatment provided in a comfortable, supportive setting. Transdermal nicotine patches, an FDA approved smoking cessation treatment, may be provided in the study. The study may involve ingestion of psilocybin, a psychoactive substance found in psychedelic mushrooms that have been used as a sacrament in various cultures. Some research studies have suggested that psychedelics, when administered under interpersonally supportive and well-prepared conditions, may be effective in helping people overcome addictions. Questionnaires, interviews, MRI scans, and biological measures of smoking will be used to assess the treatment's effects on mood, and smoking.

Volunteers must be right handed, must be between the ages of 21 and 65, and must live within travel distance of the Johns Hopkins Bayview campus in Baltimore.

If you would like to discuss the possibility of volunteering, please call 410-550-1972 and ask for Albert, the study's research coordinator or go to www.smoking-insight.org. Confidentiality will be maintained for all applicants and participants.

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