Weight of the Evidence: Demonstrating NJOY ACE® Products are APPH

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#### A Portfolio Approach to Harm Reduction

Advance Altria's harm reduction vision through smoke-free product platforms









#### Smokeless Tobacco Products

e.g., Copenhagen®

#### Modern Oral Tobacco Products

e.g., on!® Nicotine Pouches

# Heated Tobacco Products

e.g., PLOOM®\*

# E-Vapor Products

e.g., NJOY®



#### **NJOY ACE Portfolio**

#### **Marketing Granted Order**



WARNING: For use only with NJOY ACE PODS, which contain nicotine. Nicotine is an addictive chemical.



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June 21, 2024

#### **Pending PMTA Review**



NJOY ACE 2.0 Products include device access restrictions



#### The First and Only Authorized Non-Tobacco Flavored ENDS

# FDA Authorizes Marketing of Four Menthol-Flavored E-Cigarette Products After Extensive Scientific Review

This action is further reinforcement that authorization of an e-cigarette product is possible when sufficient scientific evidence has been submitted to the agency to justify it.

Brian King, Ph.D., M.P.H. Director of the FDA's Center for Tobacco Products June 21, 2024 Based upon our **rigorous scientific review**, in this instance, the strength of evidence of benefits to adult smokers from completely switching to a less harmful product was sufficient to outweigh the risks to youth.

Matthew Farrelly, Ph.D.
Director of the Office of Science
in the FDA's Center for Tobacco Products

Source: FDA Authorizes Marketing of Four Menthol-Flavored E-Cigarette Products After Extensive Scientific Review | FDA





#### **Scientific Framework**

#### CONSTITUENT REDUCTION

Product
Design and
Control

Chemical
and Physical
Characterization

#### THE PRODUCT

- Chemistry Manufacturing and Controls
- Product Stability
- Chemical Characterization

#### INDIVIDUAL RISK REDUCTION

Toxicology and Risk Assessment Subjects

#### **EXPOSURE and HEALTH RISK**

- Toxicology & Risk Assessment
- Health Risk Assessment (absolute and relative)
- · Biomarker Studies
- · Abuse Liability Studies
- Human Factors Assessment

#### POPULATION HARM REDUCTION

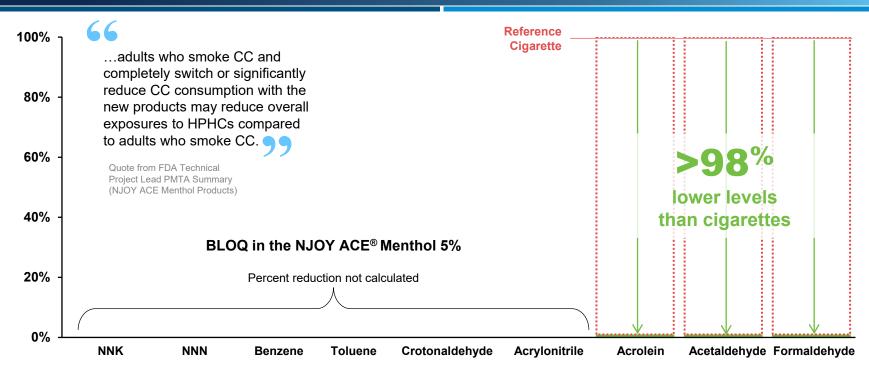
Perception and Behavior Assessment Risks and Benefits to Health of the Population

#### **IMPACT on the POPULATION**

- Risk Perceptions (absolute and relative)
- · Impact of Product on Users
- · Impact on Non-Users
- · Overall Impact on the Population
- Environmental Assessment



# HPHCs in NJOY ACE® Menthol 5% are Not Detected or Substantially Reduced Compared to Cigarettes



HPHC=harmful and potentially harmful constituents; NNK=4-(methylnitrosamino)-1-(3-pyridyl)-1-butanone; NNN=N-nitrosonomicotine.

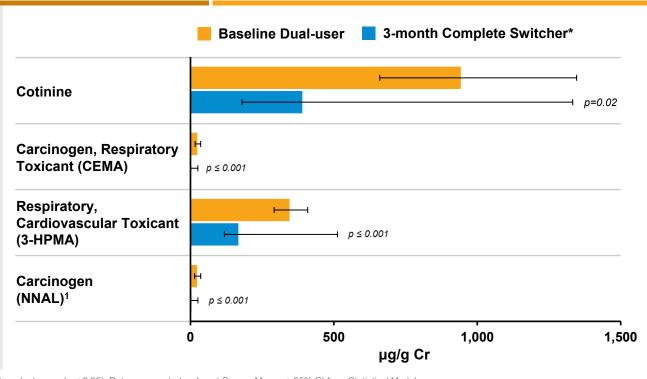
Source: Report Evaluation of HPHCs in NJOY ACE POD Aerosols after 6 to 9 months Storage; Percent reductions based on non-intense use scenarios and ambient storage conditions HPHC levels in Menthol 5% NJOY ACE products at 6 months compared to cigarette mainstream smoke levels measured under ISO conditions.



# Biomarkers of Exposure are Significantly Reduced Among Switchers Based on Real World Evidence

...biomarker data from the NJOY User Study suggests that adults who exclusively use the new products will have lower HPHC exposures compared to adults who dually use CC and the new products.

Quote from FDA Technical Project Lead PMTA Summary (NJOY ACE Menthol Products)



<sup>\*</sup> Indicates that biomarker levels were significantly lower than dual-users (p < 0.05); Data represented as Least Square Means ± 95% CI from Statistical Model. 3-HPMA=3-Hydroxypropylmercapturic Acid; CEMA=Cyanoethyl mercapturic acid; NNAL=4-(Methylnitrosamino)-1-(3-pyridyl)-1-butanol). ¹NNAL is expressed as ng/g Cr. Source: NJOY ACE Biomarker Substudy Final Report



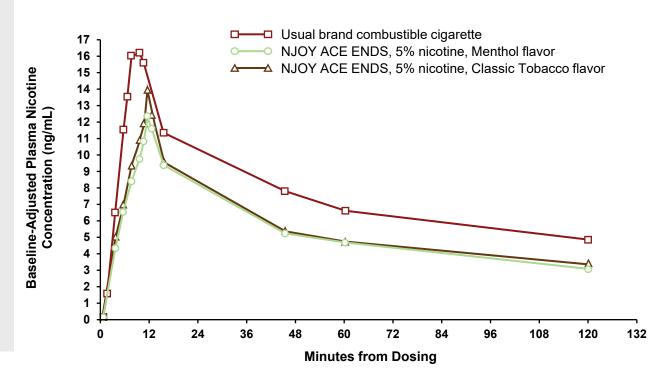
#### Nicotine PK Indicates NJOY ACE® Abuse Liability **Not Likely to be Higher Than Cigarettes**



#### **Abuse Liability**

...the new product's abuse liability is similar to CC among adults who are experienced with ENDS use, suggesting that the new product may be a suitable substitute for CC among adults who smoke CC and who want to quit.

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CC=combustible cigarette; ENDS=electronic nicotine delivery system.



# POPULATION HARM REDUCTION

# Longitudinal Cohort Study Demonstrates Significant Switching Potential for NJOY ACE





The NJOY User Study demonstrated that switching from combusted cigarettes to the new ENDS products does occur among current adult smokers.

The applicant has therefore demonstrated the potential for these products to benefit adult smokers as compared to continued exclusive cigarette use.

Quotes from FDA Technical Project Lead PMTA Summary (Emphasis added)

ENDS=electronic nicotine delivery system.



## **Longitudinal Cohort Study Overview**



PROSPECTIVE LONGITUDINAL ONLINE OBSERVATIONAL SURVEY

# Evaluating the Effectiveness of NJOY ACE® ENDS on Reduction and Switching From CC Use



#### **PURPOSE**

Assesses relationship between the frequency of combustible cigarette smoking, switching from combustible cigarettes to ENDS, and the purchasing and use of NJOY ENDS products\*

#### **STUDY DESIGN**

National purposive sample of 8,002 US adult subjects aged 21+ years who first used NJOY ACE® within the 12-month period prior to completing the baseline survey

#### **COHORTS**

**Primary Outcomes Cohort**Baseline and 3-month timepoints

**Secondary Outcomes Cohort**Baseline, 3-month and 6-month time-points

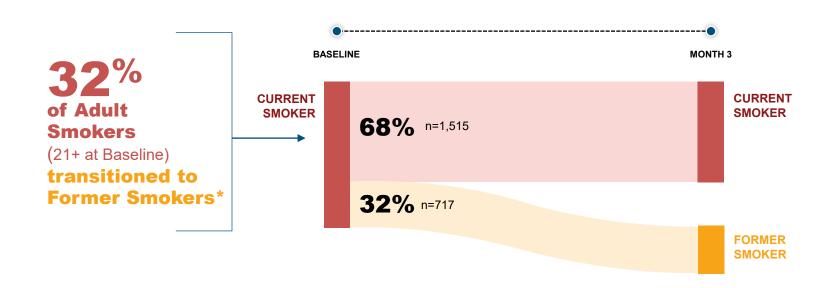
\*When the study began in 2019, the following NJOY ACE products were available: NJOY ACE Classic Tobacco 2.4% and 5%, Rich Tobacco 5%, Menthol 2.4% and 5%, Blueberry 2.4% and 5%, Watermelon 2.4% and 5%. The NJOY ACE Blueberry and Watermelon products were removed from the market pursuant to the FDA Enforcement announced in January 2020.

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#### Real World Evidence Demonstrates Switching Success with NJOY ACE®



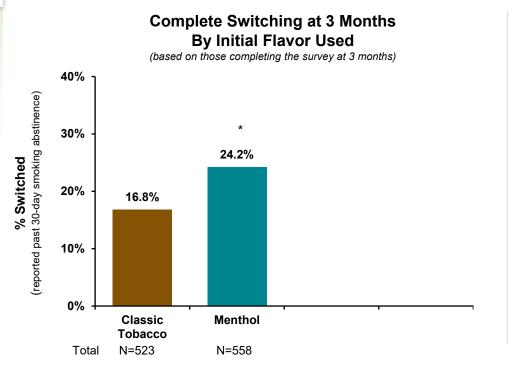


<sup>\*</sup> Indicates switching rate calculated based on the number of participants initially using NJOY ACE at baseline and completing survey at three months (per protocol population). Source: Prospective Longitudinal Cohort Study Figure 7-1.



#### Flavored NJOY® ACE Products More Effective in Promoting **Complete Switching Relative to Tobacco-Flavored**



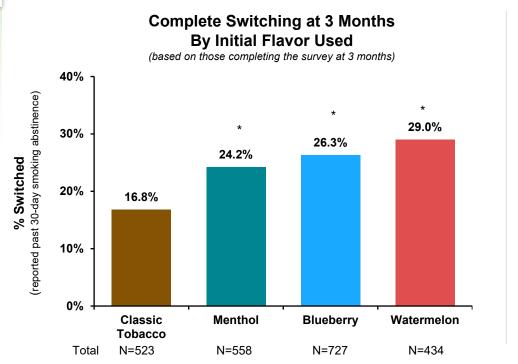


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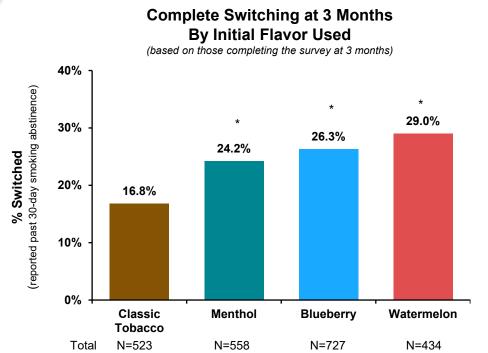


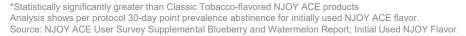
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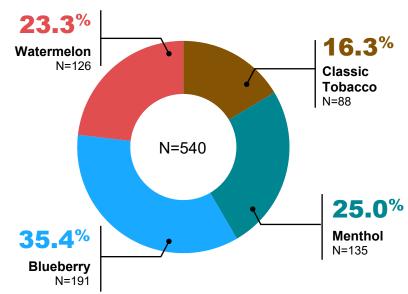






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(based on those completing the survey at 3 months)

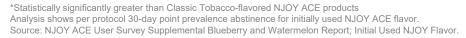




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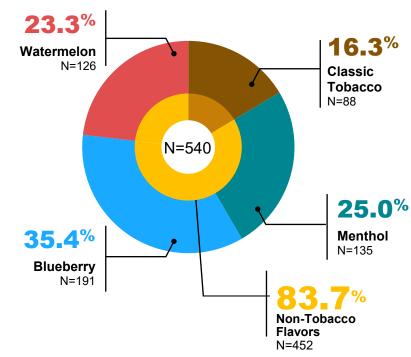


#### **Complete Switching at 3 Months** By Initial Flavor Used (based on those completing the survey at 3 months) 40% (reported past 30-day smoking abstinence) 29.0% 30% 26.3% 24.2% % Switched 20% 16.8% 10% 0% Classic Menthol Blueberry Watermelon Tobacco Total N=523 N=558 N=727 N = 434



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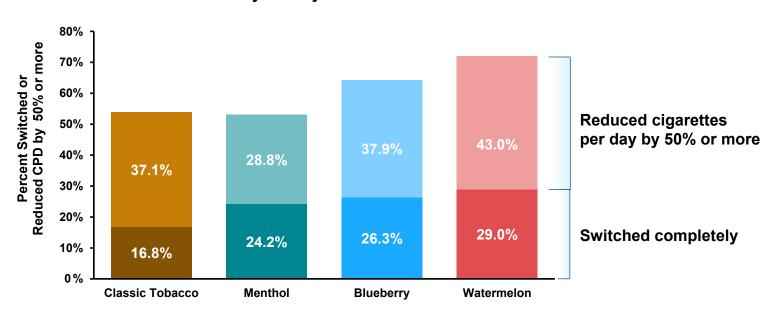
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#### **Complete Switching and CPD Reduction at Three Months**

#### Complete Switching and CPD 50% Reduction by Initially Used Flavor



CPD=cigarettes per day

Source: Aggregated results include PP30dayPPA complete switch for Initial Flavor Used at 3mth timepoint, and CPD ≥50% reduction for Initial Flavor Used at the 3mth timepoint; NJOY ACE User Survey 6mth Report.



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#### NJOY ACE® ENDS Youth Prevalence is Rare



# NJOY Brand Detection Trends in NYTS

NYTS	NJOY Usual Brand Used Among Middle and High School E-Cigarette Users	Past 30-Day ENDS Use % (95% CI)
2021	NAª	7.6 (6.6-8.7)
2022	NAª	9.4 (8.0-11.1)
2023	NAª	7.7 (6.8–8.6)
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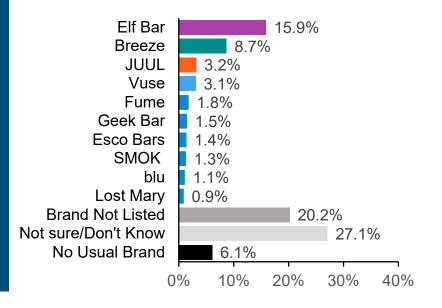
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# 2024 Usual Brand Used Among Middle and High School Current E-Cigarette Users



National Youth Tobacco Survey, 2024. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep 2024;73:774–778. DOI: http://dx.doi.org/10.15585/mmwr.mm7335a3

# Integration of Multiple Lines of Evidence to Demonstrate APPH\*

- ✓ HPHC reduced / eliminated
- Complete Switching will reduce exposure to most HPHCs which should reduce smoking related disease risks
- ✓ Many AS switch completely or reduce cigs ≥ 50%
- Adults and Youth perceive NJOY ACE products not riskfree
- Abuse potential lower or comparable to CC
- Low likelihood of use among nonusers, including youth





\*Appropriate for the Protection of Public Health

NJOY Submitted PMTAs to FDA for NJOY ACE® 2.0 Featuring Bluetooth®—enabled Access Restriction Technology OUR RESEARCH SHOWS THE

NJOY Bluetooth age-gating restrictions are effective at preventing underage access in virtually all cases



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