

# CHEMISTRY KILLS



CIGARETTE SMOKING REMAINS THE **LEADING CAUSE**  
**OF PREVENTABLE DISEASE AND DEATH** IN THE  
UNITED STATES AND KILLS MORE THAN 480,000 AMERICANS EACH YEAR.

Cigarette smoke contains  
more than **7,000 chemicals**.  
Hundreds are toxic and about  
70 can cause cancer.



## CANCER-CAUSING CHEMICALS

- **Formaldehyde:** Used to embalm dead bodies
- **Benzene:** Found in gasoline
- **Polonium 210:** Radioactive and toxic
- **Vinyl chloride:** Used to make pipes



**⚠ DANGER**

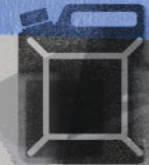
## TOXIC METALS

- **Chromium:** Used to make steel
- **Arsenic:** Used in pesticides
- **Lead:** Once used in paint
- **Cadmium:** Used to make batteries



## POISON GASES

- **Carbon monoxide:** Found in car exhausts
- **Hydrogen cyanide:** Used in chemical weapons
- **Ammonia:** Used in household cleaners
- **Butane:** Used in lighter fluid
- **Toluene:** Found in paint thinners



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