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**SMOKERS WITH VARIOUS DEGREES OF LUNG FUNCTION IMPAIRMENT HAVE
DIFFERENT TOP CAUSES OF DEATH**

ATS 2019, Dallas, TX – Current or former smokers with severe limitation in lung function are more likely to die from respiratory-related causes, while deaths from heart disease and [lung cancer](#) are more common in smokers with milder limitation in lung function, according to research presented at ATS 2019. A high frequency of breathing flare-ups and a high daily burden of breathing symptoms may identify smokers with mild lung function impairment who have an increased risk of a respiratory-related death.

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