

**Supplementary Table S2**

| Table S2: Characteristics of case-control studies in the systematic review. |                                       |                 |                     |                |                     |                        |  |  |
|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| num   | Firstauthor_Year_Gender_Locatio       | Number of Cases | Number of Control s | Cancer type    | Analytical Category | Consumption Categories | Adjusted OR 95CI   | adjusted   |
| 1   | Angela Coss_2003_F_USA_Animal sources | 32              | 164                 | Pancreas_      | Nitrite_mg/day      | 0.13-0.18              | 2.4(1.2-4.7)   | reference dose<0.13- adjusted: age, cigarette use, energy                |
|   |                                       | 26              | 147                 |                |                     | 0.19-0.26              | 1.9(0.94-4.0)  |  |
|   |                                       | 51              | 180                 |                |                     | >0.26                  | 3.2(1.6-6.4)   |  |
|   | Angela Coss_2003_M_USA_Animal sources | 22              | 282                 |                | Nitrite_mg/day      | 0.22-0.31              | 2.1(0.95-4.8)  | reference dose<0.22- adjusted: age, cigarette use, energy                |
|   |                                       | 60              | 359                 |                |                     | 0.32-0.53              | 3.8(1.8-8.0)   |  |
|   |                                       | 50              | 342                 |                |                     | >0.53                  | 2.3(1.1-5.1)   |  |
|   | Angela Coss_2003_F_USA_Food           | 32              | 146                 |                | Nitrite_mg/day      | 0.56-0.71              | 1.8(0.94-3.4)  | reference dose<0.56- adjusted: age, cigarette use, energy                |
|   |                                       | 32              | 168                 |                |                     | 0.72-0.93              | 1.4(0.72-2.6)  |  |
|   |                                       | 40              | 181                 |                |                     | >0.93                  | 1.3(0.65-2.5)  |  |
|   | Angela Coss_2003_M_USA_Food           | 33              | 157                 |                | Nitrate_mg/day      | 63-90                  | 0.99(0.58-1.7)   | reference dose<63- adjusted: age, cigarette use, energy                  |
|   |                                       | 24              | 158                 |                |                     | 91-126                 | 0.64(0.36-1.1)   |  |
|   |                                       | 26              | 160                 |                |                     | >126                   | 0.53(0.29-0.97)  |  |
| 2   | Buiatti, E._1990_M/F_Italy_Food       | 203             | 231                 | Stomach_       | Nitrate_mg/day      | 0.75-0.98              | 1(0.52-2.0)  | reference dose<0.75- adjusted: age, cigarette use, energy                |
|   |                                       | 22              | 307                 |                |                     | 0.99-1.30              | 1.5(0.81-2.9)  |  |
|   |                                       | 40              | 333                 |                |                     | >1.30                  | 1.5(0.79-3.0)  |  |
|   |                                       | 64              | 374                 |                | Nitrate_mg/day      | 58-82                  | 1.1(0.63-1.9)  | reference dose<58- adjusted: age, cigarette use, energy                  |
|   |                                       | 33              | 311                 |                |                     | 83-117                 | 1.2(0.70-2.0)  |  |
|   |                                       | 39              | 311                 |                | Nitrate_mg/day      | >117                   | 1(0.60-1.8)  |  |
|   |                                       | 43              | 327                 |                |                     | 81                     | 0.9(0.7-1.1)   | reference dose:53- adjusted: non-dietary variables and kilocalorie       |
|   |                                       | 203             | 231                 |                | Nitrate_mg/day      | 103                    | 0.9(0.6-1.1)   |  |
|   |                                       | 27              | 124                 | Colon_         |                     | 130                    | 0.7(0.5-0.9)   |  |
|   | De Roos, A. J._2003_M/F_Water         | 116             | 380                 | Nitrite_mg/day | 193                 | 0.9(0.7-1.2)           | reference dose:2.1- adjusted: non-dietary variables and kilocalorie      |  |
|   |                                       | 27              | 124                 |                | 2.8                 | 1(0.8-1.4)             |  |  |
|   |                                       | 61              | 174                 |                | 3.4                 | 1.2(0.9-1.7)           |  |  |
|   |                                       | 98              | 380                 | Nitrate_mg/l   | 4.1                 | 1.4(1.0-2.0)           |  |  |
|   |                                       | 30              | 124                 |                | Rectum_             |                        |  | 5.9  |
| 4   | De Stefani, E._1998_M/F_Uruguay_Food  | 56              | 174                 | NDMA_          | >1 to <=3           | 1(0.8-1.3)             | reference dose<1- adjusted: the frequency-matched factors of age and sex |  |
|   |                                       | 116             | 380                 |                | >3 to <=5           | 0.7(0.4-1.1)           |  |  |
|   |                                       | 27              | 124                 |                | >5                  | 1.2(0.8-1.7)           |  |  |
| 3   | De Roos, A. J._2003_M/F_Water         | 61              | 174                 | Rectum_        | Nitrate_mg/l        | >1 to <=3              | 0.8(0.6-1.1)   | reference dose<1- adjusted: the frequency-matched factors of age and sex |
|   |                                       | 98              | 380                 |                |                     | >3 to <=5              | 0.7(0.5-1.2)   |  |
|   |                                       | 30              | 124                 |                |                     | >5                     | 1.2(0.8-1.8)   |  |
| 4   | De Stefani, E._1998_M/F_Uruguay_Food  | 56              | 174                 |                |                     | 1.51(1.33-1.72)        | Adjusted: age, sex, and smoking, alcohol, residence                      | reference dose<1- adjusted: the frequency-matched factors of age and sex |
|   |                                       | 116             | 380                 |                |                     | 1.51(1.33-1.72)        | Adjusted: age, sex, and smoking, alcohol, residence                      |  |

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|   | De Stefani, E._1998_M_Uruguay_Food                | 224 | 459  |                |                | 1.63(1.39-1.91) |  |
|   | De Stefani, E._1998_F_Uruguay_Food                | 116 | 239  |                |                | 1.34(1.08-1.67) |  |
|   | De Stefani, E._1998_F_Uruguay_Food                | 116 | 239  |                |                | 0.79(0.62-1.01) |  |
|   | De Stefani, E._1998_M_Uruguay_Food                | 224 | 459  | Nitrite_       |                | 0.52(0.43-0.62) |  |
|   | De Stefani, E._1998_M/F_Uruguay_Food              | 340 | 698  |                |                | 0.55(0.48-0.62) |  |
| 5 |   | 27  |      | NDMA_micro/day | 2.0-2.5        | 2.2(1.2-4.1)    | reference dose<=1.9- adjusted: age, gender, residence, education |
|   |   | 57  |      |                | >2.6           | 2.2(1.2-4.1)    |  |
|   | De Stefani, E._2001_M/F_Uruguay_Animal sources    | 41  | 88   | Stomach_       | Nitrate_mg/day | 524-784         | reference dose<523- adjusted: age, gender, residence, education  |
|   |   | 34  |      |                | >785           | 1.1(0.6-1.8)    |  |
|   |   | 48  |      |                | Nitrite_mg/day | 0.9(0.5-1.6)    |  |
|   |   | 43  |      |                | >10.1          | 6.3-10.0        | reference dose<6.2- adjusted: age, gender, residence, education  |
|   |   |     |      |                |                | 1.8(1.0-3.2)    |  |
| 6 |   | 158 | 349  | Colorectal_    |                | >5-10           | 1.2(0.90-1.58)   |
|   |   | 247 | 360  |                |                | >10             | 1.41(1.04-1.91)  |
|   | Espejo-Herrera, N._2016_F_spain and italy_Water   | 30  | 349  | Rectum_        |                | >5-10           | 0.87(0.52-1.45)  |
|   |   | 70  | 360  |                |                | >10             | 1.49(0.89-2.48)  |
|   |   | 122 | 349  | Colon_         |                | >5-10           | 1.33(0.97-1.80)  |
|   |   | 174 | 360  |                |                | >10             | 1.46(1.04-2.05)  |
|   |   | 289 | 454  | Colorectal_    |                | >5-10           | 1.16(0.94-1.44)  |
|   |   | 397 | 468  |                |                | >10             | 1.5(1.21-1.87)   |
|   | Espejo-Herrera, N._2016_M_spain and italy_Water   | 80  | 454  | Rectum_        | Nitrate_mg/day | >5-10           | 0.94(0.68-1.28)  |
|   |   | 133 | 468  |                |                | >10             | 1.55(1.16-2.08)  |
|   |   | 202 | 454  | Colon_         |                | >5-10           | 1.26(0.99-1.61)  |
|   |   | 260 | 468  |                |                | >10             | 1.51(1.17-1.94)  |
|   |   | 447 | 803  | Colorectal_    |                | >5-10           | 1.17(0.98-1.38)  |
|   |   | 644 | 828  |                |                | >10             | 1.49(1.24-1.78)  |
|   | Espejo-Herrera, N._2016_M/F_spain and italy_Water | 110 | 803  | Rectum_        |                | >5-10           | 0.93(0.70-1.23)  |
|   |   | 203 | 828  |                |                | >10             | 1.62(1.23-2.14)  |
|   |   | 324 | 803  | Colon_         |                | >5-10           | 1.28(1.06-1.55)  |
|   |   | 434 | 828  |                |                | >10             | 1.52(1.24-1.86)  |
|   |   | 564 | 1058 | Colorectal_    |                | 83-133          | 0.97(0.83-1.14)  |
|   |   | 527 | 1057 |                |                | >133            | 0.84(0.70-1.00)  |
|   | Espejo-Herrera, N._2016_M/F_spain and italy_Food  | 394 | 1058 | Colon_         |                | 83-133          | 1.04(0.87-1.24)  |
|   |   | 371 | 1057 |                |                | >133            | 0.9(0.74-1.10)   |
|   |   | 161 | 1058 | Rectum_        |                | 83-133          | 0.85(0.66-1.08)  |
|   |   | 151 | 1057 |                |                | >133            | 0.76(0.58-1.00)  |
|   |   | 578 | 1058 | Colorectal_    |                | 4.5-6.8         | 1.15(0.98-1.35)  |

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|  |  | 634 | 1057   |              | >6.8           | 1.16(0.98-1.38) |   |  |
| Espejo-Herrera,<br>N._2016_M/F_spain and<br>italy_Animal sources |  | 191 | 1058   | Rectum__     | 4.5-6.8        | 1.59(1.22-2.06) | reference dose: <4.5 - adjusted: sex, age, education, physical activity, NSAID drug, family history, BMI, intake energy       |  |
|  |  | 204 | 1057   |              | >6.8           | 1.55(1.17-2.05) |   |  |
|  |  | 423 | 1057   | Colon__      | >6.8           | 1.06(0.87-1.30) |   |  |
|  |  | 378 | 1058   |              | 4.5-6.8        | 1.03(0.86-1.24) |   |  |
| Espejo-Herrera,<br>N._2016_M/F_spain and<br>italy_Plant sources  |  | 575 | 1058   | Colorectal__ | 68-118         | 0.99(0.85-1.16) |   |  |
|  |  | 513 | 1057   |              | >118           | 0.83(0.70-0.99) | reference dose: <68 - adjusted: sex, age, education, physical activity, NSAID drug, family history, BMI, intake energy, fiber |  |
|  |  | 169 | 1058   | Rectum__     | 68-118         | 1.04(0.71-1.16) |   |  |
|  |  | 144 | 1057   |              | >118           | 0.9(0.57-0.99)  |   |  |
|  |  | 397 | 1058   | Colon__      | 68-118         | 1.04(0.87-1.24) |   |  |
|  |  | 364 | 1057   |              | >118           | 0.89(0.73-1.08) |   |  |
| 7  | Fathmawati_2017_M/F_Indonesia_Water              | 3   | 4      | Colorectal__ | Nitrate_mg/l   | >50             | 1.405(0.14-13.67)   | adjusted: protein intake, smoking history, age, family history of cancer, diabetic   |
|  |  | 16  | 4      |              |                | >50             | 4.312(1.31-14.09)   |  |
| 8  | Hernández-Ramírez, R.<br>U._2009_M/F_Mexico_Food | 82  | 159    |              | Nitrite_mg/day | >1.0-1.2        | 1.07(0.69-1.65)   | reference dose<1.0- adjusted: energy, age, gender  |
|  |  | 82  | 159    |              |                | >1.2            | 1.52(0.99-2.34)   |  |
|  |  | 76  | 156    |              | Nitrate_mg/day | >90.4-141.7     | 0.93(0.62-1.39)   | reference dose: <90.4- adjusted: energy, age, gender   |
|  |  | 76  | 156    |              |                | >141.7          | 0.61(0.39-0.96)   |  |
|  |  | 82  | 159    |              | Nitrite_mg/day | >0.2-0.4        | 0.78(0.50-1.21)   | reference dose<0.2- adjusted: energy, age, gender  |
|  |  | 82  | 159    | Stomach__    |                | >0.4            | 1.56(1.02-2.4)  |  |
|  |  | 76  | 156    |              | Nitrate_mg/day | >1.7-3.9        | 1.28(0.82-2.0)  | reference dose: <1.7- adjusted adj: energy, age, gender  |
|  |  | 76  | 156    |              |                | >3.9            | 1.92(1.23-3.02)   |  |
|  |  | 82  | 159    |              | Nitrite_mg/day | >0.1-0.2        | 0.81(0.54-1.21)   | reference dose<0.1- adjusted: energy, age, gender  |
|  |  | 82  | 159    |              |                | >0.2            | 0.77(0.50-1.18)   |  |
|  |  | 76  | 156    |              | Nitrate_mg/day | >81.7-134.9     | 0.93(0.62-1.39)   | reference dose: <81.7- adjusted: energy, age, gender   |
|  |  | 76  | 156    |              |                | >134.9          | 0.62(0.40-0.97)   |  |
| 9  | Jakszyn, P._2006_M/F_European countries_Food     | 105 | 146359 | Stomach__    |                | .09             | 0.87(0.64-1.2)  |  |
|  |  | 31  | 146359 |              |                | .195            | 0.99(0.69-1.41)   |  |
|  |  | 31  | 146359 | Stomach__    | NDMA_micro/day | .09             | 1.04(0.66-1.63)   | reference dose: <0.09- adj:sex,height,weight,education,smoking,physical activity, fruits intake, energy, nitrites  |
|  |  | 52  | 146359 | Noncardia    |                | .195            | 1.09(0.65-1.81)   |  |
|  |  | 52  | 146359 | Stomach__    |                | .09             | 0.74(0.41-1.34)   |  |
|  |  | 105 | 146359 | Cardia__     |                | .195            | 0.68(0.34-1.37)   |  |
| 10   | Kim, H. J._2007_M/F_Korea_Food                   | 67  | 68     |              |                | 458             | 1.13(0.54-2.36)   | reference dose: 240- adjusted: age (<50, 50-59, 60-69, and ≥70 yr), sex, socioeconomic status (low, medium, and high status; low status indicates below elementary school in education and \$ 8500 in annual income), family history (yes and no for only first-degree relatives), refrigerator use (<20 yr and ≥20 yr), H. pylori infection, and foods (charcoal grilled beef, Korean cabbage kimchi, Dongchimi, spinach, |
|  |  | 32  | 34     | Stomach__    | Nitrate_mg/day | 811             | 1.13(0.42-3.06)   |  |

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|   |     |     |                                   |                       |                 | garlic, mushroom, and salty foods; low, medium, and high intake).   |   |
| 11<br><br>La Vecchia, C._1994_<br>M/F_Italy_Food      | 128 | 404 | Stomach_                          | 2.41                  | 0.98(0.72-1.33) | reference:1.91- adjusted: multiple logistic regression(age, sex, education, family history, BMI, total energy)              |   |
|   | 126 | 405 |                                   | 2.94                  | 0.99(0.72-1.36) |   |   |
|   | 153 | 406 |                                   | 3.64                  | 1.15(0.84-1.59) |   |   |
|   | 193 | 404 |                                   | >3.64                 | 1.35(0.96-1.88) |   |   |
|   | 156 | 405 | Nitrate_ mg/day                   | 80.7                  | 0.64(0.49-0.83) | reference:62.96- adjusted: multiple logistic regression (age, sex, education, family history, BMI, total energy)            |   |
|   | 117 | 404 |                                   | 96.33                 | 0.5(0.38-0.67)  |   |   |
|   | 117 | 406 |                                   | 116.88                | 0.52(0.39-0.70) |   |   |
|   | 105 | 404 |                                   | >116.88               | 0.43(0.32-0.59) |   |   |
| 12<br><br>La Vecchia, C._1995_<br>M/F_Italy_Food      | 231 | 687 | Stomach_                          | 0.131-0.190           | 1.11(0.9-1.4)   | Reference dose<=0.130- adjusted: age, sex, education, family history, carotene, vitamin C, total calories, nitrite, nitrate |   |
|   | 308 | 683 |                                   | >0.191                | 0.191(1.1-1.7)  |   |   |
| 13<br><br>La Vecchia, C._1997_<br>M/F_Italy_Food      | 407 | 987 | Stomach_Carcinoma                 | Nitrite_ mg/day       | >=2.7           | 1.44(1.2-1.7)   | reference dose<2.7-adj:sex,age,education,   |
| 14<br><br>Lopez-Carrillo, L._2004_<br>M/F_Mexico_Food | 60  | 146 | Stomach_                          | Nitrite_ portions/day | 0.12-0.26       | 0.95(0.62-1.46)   | reference dose=0-0.11- adjusted: age, gender, energy, socioeconomic ,education, Hp/CagA status and ascorbic acid  |
|   | 83  | 148 |                                   | 0.27-2.25             | 1.24(0.81-1.90) |   |   |
| 15<br><br>Mayne, S. T._2001_<br>M/F_USA_Food          | 255 | 687 | Stomach_Cardia_Adeno carcinoma    |                       |                 | 1.12(0.87-1.44)   | adjusted: sex; site (Connecticut, Washington, New Jersey); age; race (white versus other); proxy status; income; education; usual body mass index; cigarettes/day; years of consuming beer, wine, and liquor (each); and energy intake. |
|   | 352 | 687 | Stomach_Non cardia_Adenocarcinoma | Nitrite_ mg/day       |                 | 1.64(1.30-2.07)   |   |
|   | 206 | 687 | Esophagus_Squamous cell carcinoma |                       |                 | 1.12(0.84-1.51)   |   |
|   | 282 | 687 | Esophagus_Adenocarcinoma          |                       |                 | 1.02(0.80-1.30)   |   |
|   | 22  | 19  | Colorectal_                       | 0.5-1.9               | 1.39(1.02-1.89) | reference dose<0.5- adjusted: age, interview period   |   |
|   | 29  | 25  |                                   | 2.5-5.9               | 1.32(0.99-1.76) |   |   |
|   | 12  | 11  |                                   | 6.0-9.9               | 1.28(0.88-1.88) |   |   |
|   | 7   | 6   |                                   | >10.0                 | 1.57(0.97-2.52) |   |   |
| 16<br><br>McElroy, J. A._2008_<br>M/F_USA_Water       | 23  | 19  | Rectum_                           | 0.5-1.9               | 1.29(0.73-2.31) | reference dose<0.5- adjusted: age, interview period   |   |
|   | 28  | 25  |                                   | 2.5-5.9               | 1.19(0.69-2.06) |   |   |
|   | 10  | 11  |                                   | 6.0-9.9               | 1.11(0.52-2.36) |   |   |
|   | 5   | 6   |                                   | >10.0                 | 1.26(0.47-3.43) |   |   |
|   | 24  | 19  | Colon_distal_                     | 0.5-1.9               | 1.58(1.03-2.40) |   |   |
|   | 29  | 25  |                                   | 2.5-5.9               | 1.38(0.92-2.06) |   |   |
|   | 12  | 11  |                                   | 6.0-9.9               | 1.43(0.85-2.41) |   |   |

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|   | 5   | 6   |             | >10.0           | 1.23(0.59-2.56) |   |
|   | 20  | 19  |             | 0.5-1.9         | 1.35(0.81-2.26) |   |
|   | 28  | 25  | Colon_      | 2.5-5.9         | 1.36(0.85-2.17) |   |
|   | 12  | 11  | Proximal_   | 6.0-9.9         | 1.34(0.73-2.47) |   |
|   | 11  | 6   |             | >10.0           | 2.76(1.42-5.38) |   |
| 17  | 177 | 207 |             | 114.6-197.0     | 0.98(0.72-1.32) |   |
|   | 194 | 207 | Colorectal_ | 197.1-310.2     | 1.07(0.79-1.45) |   |
|   | 211 | 207 |             | 310.3-496.6     | 1.09(0.80-1.47) |   |
|   | 225 | 207 |             | >496.6          | 1.19(0.87-1.61) |   |
|   | 124 | 207 | Colon_      | 114.6-197.0     | 1.02(0.73-1.42) |   |
|   | 140 | 207 |             | 197.1-310.2     | 1.15(0.83-1.61) |   |
|   | 146 | 207 |             | 310.3-496.6     | 1.14(0.82-1.60) |   |
|   | 157 | 207 |             | >496.6          | 1.28(0.92-1.80) |   |
| Miller, P. E. 2013_<br>M/F_USA_Animal sources | 75  | 207 | Colon_      | Nitrate         | 114.6-197.0     | reference dose< 114.6 - adjusted: age, sex,       |
|   | 86  | 207 | Proximal_   | and<br>Nitrite_ | 1.05(0.71-1.56) | total energy intake, body mass index, past        |
|   | 76  | 207 |             | micro/100       | 197.1-310.2     | regular NSAID use, and fruit and vegetable        |
|   | 102 | 207 |             | 0 kcal          | 310.3-496.6     | consumption                                       |
|   | 45  | 207 | Colon_      |                 | >496.6          | 1.06(0.71-1.58)                                   |
|   | 50  | 207 | distal_     |                 | 114.6-197.0     | 1.57(1.06-2.34)                                   |
|   | 64  | 207 |             |                 | 197.1-310.2     | 0.99(0.62-1.59)                                   |
|   | 51  | 207 |             |                 | 310.3-496.6     | 1.06(0.67-1.70)                                   |
|   | 52  | 207 | Rectum_     |                 | >496.6          | 1.28(0.81-2.01)                                   |
|   | 54  | 207 |             |                 | 114.6-197.0     | 0.98(0.61-1.58)                                   |
|   | 63  | 207 |             |                 | 197.1-310.2     | 0.95(0.61-1.48)                                   |
|   | 67  | 207 |             |                 | 310.3-496.6     | 0.96(0.62-1.50)                                   |
|   |     |     |             |                 | >496.6          | 1.02(0.66-1.58)                                   |
|   |     |     |             |                 |                 | 1.04(0.67-1.62)                                   |
| 18  | 286 | 187 |             | NDMA_           | .2              | reference dose: 0.12- adjusted: multiple logistic |
|   | 286 | 187 |             | micro/day       | .33             | regressions( age, sex, social class, family       |
| Palli, D. 2001_<br>M/F_Italy_Food             | 286 | 187 | Stomach_    | Nitrate_        | 93.2            | history, BMI, total energy)                       |
|   | 286 | 187 |             | mg/day          | 132.9           | reference dose: 62.6- adjusted: multiple logistic |
|   | 286 | 187 |             | Nitrite_        | 3.5             | regressions( age, sex, social class, family       |
|   | 286 | 187 |             | mg/day          | 5.4             | history, BMI, total energy)                       |
|   |     |     |             |                 |                 | reverence dose: 2.5- adjusted: multiple logistic  |
|   |     |     |             |                 |                 | regressions( age, sex, social class, family       |
|   |     |     |             |                 |                 | history, BMI, total energy)                       |
| 19  |     |     |             | NDMA_           | .25             | reference dose:0.20- adjusted: age, sex,          |
| Pobel, D. 1995_<br>M/F_France_Food            |     |     |             | micro/day       | .51             | occupation , calorie intake                       |
|   | 31  | 43  | Stomach_    | Nitrite_        | 1.98            | reverence dose:1.61- adjusted: age, sex,          |
|   |     |     |             | mg/day          | 2.26            | occupation , calorie intake                       |
|   |     |     |             | Nitrate_        | 137.26          | reverence dose:89.03- adjusted: age, sex,         |
|   |     |     |             | mg/day          | 192.73          | occupation , calorie intake                       |
|   |     |     |             | Nitrite_        | 1.98            | 0.49(0.24-1.01)                                   |
|   |     |     |             |                 |                 | 0.76(0.38-1.50)                                   |
|   |     |     |             |                 |                 | 0.74(0.37-1.48)                                   |
| Pobel, D. 1995_                               |     |     |             |                 |                 |   |

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|    | M/F_France_Plant sources                      |   | mg/day   | 2.26                        | 0.77(0.38-1.57)  | reference dose:1.61- adjusted: age, sex, occupation , calorie intake  |
|    |   | Nitrate_ mg/day   | 137.26   | 0.52(0.26-1.07)             | reference dose:89.03- adjusted: age, sex, occupation , calorie intake    |   |
|    |   | Nitrate_ mg/day   | 192.73   | 0.73(0.37-1.45)             | reference dose:89.03- adjusted: age, sex, occupation , calorie intake    |   |
| 20 | Rick J.Jansen_2013_ M/F_USA_Animal sources    | 79 197<br>72 197<br>60 196<br>48 196                              | Pancrase__   | .03<br>.06<br>.12<br>.26    | 0.57(0.40-0.83)<br>0.48(0.33-0.70)<br>0.38(0.26-0.57)<br>0.26(0.17-0.40) | reference dose:Q1:0.01-adjusted: cigarette smoking, pack-years, pack-years squared  |
| 21 | Rogers, MA._1995_ M/F_USA_Food                | 23 147<br>52 147<br>28 134<br>43 151<br>39 144<br>25 140          | Esophagus  | NDMA_ micro/day             | 0.06-0.179<br>>0.179   | Reference dose<=0.06- adjusted: age, gender, pack-years of cigarettes .drink alcohol. Energy intake .ascorbic acid intake, body mass index. Level of education      |
|    |   |   |  | Nitrite_ mg/day             | 1.06-1.60<br>>1.60   | Reference dose: <1.06 - adjusted: age, gender, pack-years of cigarettes .drink alcohol. Energy intake. Ascorbic acid intake, body mass index. Level of education    |
|    |   |   |  | Nitrate_ mg/day             | 134-226<br>>226  | Reference dose: <134 - adjusted: age, gender, pack-years of cigarettes .drink alcohol. Energy intake. Ascorbic acid intake, body mass index. Level of education     |
| 22 | Taneja,P._2017_M/F_India_Water                | 41 24<br>37 132   | Stomach__  | Nitrate_ mg/l               | <=45<br>>45  | adjusted: age, gender, tobacco  |
| 23 | Ward, M. H._2007_ M/F_maryland_Animal sources | 27 57<br>39 57<br>52 57<br>30 57<br>34 57<br>57 57                | Colorectal_  | Nitrite_ mg/day             | 0.02 - 0.07<br>0.08 to <0.16<br>0.16-1.23                                | adjusted: age, gender, calories, smoking  |
|    |   |   |  | Nitrate and Nitrite_ mg/day | 0.22 to <0.89<br>0.89 to <1.86<br>1.86-12.28                             | reference dose:0 to<0.22- adjusted: age, gender, calories, smoking  |
| 24 | Ward, M. H._2008_ M/F_USA_Animal sources      | 17 99<br>28 99<br>39 100<br>31 99<br>25 99<br>29 100              | Esophagus_A denocarcinom a Stomach_Dist al_Adenocarci noma | Nitrate and Nitrite_ mg/day | 3.8-<5.7<br>5.7-<8.3<br>8.3+<br>3.8-<5.7<br>5.7-<8.3<br>8.3+             | reference dose<3.8- adjusted: year of birth, gender, body mass index, smoking, alcohol, total calories, vitamin A, folate, riboflavin, zinc, protein, carbohydrate  |
|    | Ward, M. H._2008_ M/F_USA_Plant sources       | 28 102<br>17 101<br>30 100<br>22 102<br>29 101<br>30 100<br>27 99 | Esophagus_A denocarcinom a Stomach_Dist al_Adenocarci noma | Nitrite_ mg/day             | 0.36-<0.52<br>0.52-<0.67<br>0.67+<br>0.36-<0.52<br>0.52-<0.67<br>0.67+   | reference dose<0.36- adjusted: year of birth, gender, body mass index, smoking, alcohol, total calories, vitamin A ,folate, riboflavin, zinc, protein, carbohydrate |
|    |   |   |  | Nitrate_                    | 16.9-<26.2   | 0.9(0.5-1.8)  |

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|----|---------------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---|--|
|    | 18                                    | 99  | Esophagus_A<br>denocarcinoma  | mg/day       | 16.2-<38.8<br>>38.8      | 0.6(0.3-1.3)<br>0.8(0.3-1.8) |   |  |
|    | 24                                    | 100 |                               |              | 16.9-<26.2<br>26.2-<38.8 | 1.2(0.6-2.5)<br>1.4(0.7-2.9) | reference dose<16.9- adjusted: year of birth, gender, body mass index, smoking, alcohol, total calories, vitamin A, folate, riboflavin, zinc, protein, carbohydrate |  |
|    | 28                                    | 99  | Stomach_Distal_Adenocarcinoma |              |                          |                              |   |  |
|    | 26                                    | 99  |                               |              |                          |                              |   |  |
|    | 26                                    | 100 |                               |              |                          |                              |   |  |
|    | 12                                    | 55  | Stomach_distal_Adenocarcinoma | Nitrate_mg/l | 10                       | 1(0.5-2.0)                   | reference dose= 0 years- adjusted: year of birth, gender, education, smoking, alcohol   |  |
|    | 13                                    | 48  |                               |              | 10                       | 1.1(0.5-2.3)                 |   |  |
|    | 12                                    | 55  | Esophagus_Adenocarcinoma      | Nitrate_mg/l | >10                      | 0.8(0.4-1.8)                 | reference dose<10- adjusted: year of birth, gender, body mass index, smoking, alcohol   |  |
|    | 15                                    | 48  |                               |              | >10                      | 0.9(0.4-1.9)                 |   |  |
| 25 | Zhang, T._2018_M/F_Food               | 23  | 27                            | Esophagus    | Nitrite_mg/day           | 3.73 -7.13                   | 1.175(0.53-2.59)  | reference dose: 0 - 3.7350 - adjusted: sex and age   |
|    | Zhang, T._2018_M/F_Food               | 25  | 25                            | Esophagus    | Nitrite_mg/day           | 7.13-17.32                   | 1.373(0.61-3.05)  | reference dose: 0 - 3.7350 - adjusted: sex and age   |
|    | Zhang, T._2018_M/F_Food               | 31  | 19                            | Esophagus    | Nitrite_mg/day           | 17.32-71.57                  | 2.256(1.01-5.02)  | reference dose: 0 - 3.7350 - adjusted: sex and age   |
| 26 | Zheng, J._2019_M/F_USA_Animal sources | 234 | 234                           |              | NDMA_                    | .33                          | 0.97(0.74-1.28)   | reference dose:Q1=0.18- adjusted: age, energy, red and processed meat intake, sex, race, education level, BMI, alcohol level, history of diabetic, smoking, family history of pancreatic cancer  |
|    |                                       | 201 | 235                           |              |                          | .43                          | 0.87(0.65-1.15)   |  |
|    |                                       | 272 | 234                           |              |                          | .74                          | 1.17(0.89-1.54)   |  |
|    |                                       | 196 | 234                           |              | Nitrate_                 | 2.46                         | 0.68(0.52-0.90)   | reference dose:Q1=1.63- adjusted: age, energy, red and processed meat intake, sex, race, education level, BMI, alcohol level, history of diabetic, smoking, family history of pancreatic cancer  |
|    |                                       | 220 | 235                           |              |                          | 3.05                         | 0.74(0.56-0.97)   |  |
|    |                                       | 245 | 234                           |              |                          | 4.24                         | 0.82(0.62-1.08)   |  |
|    |                                       | 121 | 234                           |              | Pancrase_                | .45                          | 0.99(0.75-1.31)   | reference dose:Q1=0.28- adjusted: age, energy, red and processed meat intake, sex, race, education level, BMI, alcohol level, history of diabetic, smoking, family history of pancreatic cancer  |
|    |                                       | 168 | 235                           |              | NDMA_                    | .58                          | 1.03(0.78-1.37)   |  |
|    |                                       | 249 | 234                           |              |                          | .99                          | 1.03(0.78-1.37)   |  |
|    |                                       | 226 | 234                           |              | Nitrite_                 | .7                           | 0.83(0.63-1.09)   | reference dose:Q1=0.37- adjusted: age, energy, red and processed meat intake, sex, race, education level, BMI, alcohol level, history of diabetic, smoking, family history of pancreatic cancer  |
|    |                                       | 225 | 235                           |              |                          | .99                          | 0.79(0.60-1.04)   |  |
|    |                                       | 215 | 234                           |              |                          | 1.55                         | 0.68(0.51-0.91)   |  |
|    |                                       | 236 | 234                           |              | Nitrate_                 | 34.37                        | 0.93(0.71-1.23)   | reference dose:Q1=21.67- adjusted: age, energy, red and processed meat intake, sex, race, education level, BMI, alcohol level, history of diabetic, smoking, family history of pancreatic cancer |
|    |                                       | 192 | 235                           |              |                          | 45.54                        | 0.72(0.55-0.96)   |  |
|    |                                       | 271 | 234                           |              |                          | 73.29000000000001            | 1.07(0.81-1.41)   |  |

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|                       | 227 | 234 |             | .06   | 1.48(1.10-1.99) | reference dose:Q1=0.04- adjusted: age, energy, red and processed meat intake, sex, race, education level, BMI, alcohol level, history of diabetic, smoking, family history of pancreatic cancer  |
|                       | 300 | 235 |             | .08   | 1.97(1.48-2.64) |  |
|                       | 272 | 234 | NDMA_       | .12   | 1.93(1.42-2.61) |  |
| Zheng, J. 2019_       | 230 | 234 |             | 31.43 | 0.95(0.72-1.25) | reference dose:Q1=18.97- adjusted: age, energy, red and processed meat intake, sex, race, education level, BMI, alcohol level, history of diabetic, smoking, family history of pancreatic cancer |
| M/F_USA_Plant sources | 204 | 235 |             | 42.58 | 0.8(0.61-1.07)  |  |
|                       | 267 | 234 | Nitrate_    | 70.59 | 1.05(0.79-1.39) |  |
| <b>27</b>             | 335 | 502 |             | .07   | 1.06(0.83-1.37) |  |
|                       | 354 | 493 | Colorectal_ | .2    | 1.13(0.87-1.47) |  |
|                       | 336 | 513 |             | .77   | 1.22(0.92-1.63) |  |
|                       | 407 | 441 |             | 2.29  | 1.42(1.03-1.96) |  |
|                       | 138 | 510 |             | .07   | 0.96(0.72-1.28) |  |
|                       | 123 | 488 | Colon_      | .2    | 1.08(0.79-1.46) |  |
|                       | 132 | 519 | Proximal_   | .77   | 1.11(0.80-1.67) | reference dose: 0.03- adjusted: age, sex, energy intake, BMI, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, education, income, NSAID, folate, supplement, province of residence                           |
|                       | 129 | 446 | NDMA_       | 2.29  | 1.58(0.80-1.67) |  |
|                       | 117 | 510 | micro/day   | .07   | 1.06(0.77-1.45) |  |
|                       | 126 | 488 | Rectum_     | .2    | 1.19(0.86-1.66) |  |
|                       | 145 | 519 |             | .77   | 1.15(0.81-1.63) |  |
|                       | 141 | 446 |             | 2.29  | 1.61(1.11-2.35) |  |
|                       | 117 | 510 |             | .07   | 1.06(0.77-1.45) |  |
|                       | 131 | 488 | Colon_      | .2    | 1.24(0.89-1.72) |  |
| Zhu, Y. 2014_         | 101 | 519 | distal_     | .77   | 0.97(0.68-1.39) |  |
| M/F_Canada_Food       | 128 | 446 |             | 2.29  | 1.37(0.93-2.01) |  |
|                       | 117 | 496 |             | .89   | 1.26(0.91-1.73) |  |
|                       | 126 | 520 | Rectum_     | 1.12  | 1.2(0.84-1.71)  |  |
|                       | 145 | 474 |             | 1.4   | 1.51(1.02-2.22) |  |
|                       | 141 | 455 |             | 1.92  | 1.45(0.94-2.24) |  |
|                       | 335 | 496 |             | .89   | 1.07(0.83-1.38) |  |
|                       | 354 | 520 | Colorectal_ | 1.12  | 0.99(0.75-1.30) | reference dose:0.65- adjusted: age, sex, energy intake, BMI, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, education, income, NSAID, folate, supplement, province of residence                            |
|                       | 336 | 479 |             | 1.4   | 1.05(0.77-1.43) |  |
|                       | 407 | 450 | Nitrite_    | 1.92  | 1.09(0.77-1.54) |  |
|                       | 138 | 496 | mg/day      | .89   | 1.15(0.86-1.54) |  |
|                       | 123 | 520 | Colon_      | 1.12  | 0.91(0.66-1.26) |  |
|                       | 132 | 474 | Proximal_   | 1.4   | 0.81(0.56-1.18) |  |
|                       | 129 | 455 |             | 1.92  | 0.95(0.63-1.43) |  |
|                       | 117 | 496 |             | .89   | 0.97(0.70-1.34) |  |
|                       | 131 | 520 | Colon_      | 1.12  | 0.93(0.65-1.32) |  |
|                       | 101 | 474 | distal_     | 1.4   | 1.21(0.82-1.78) |  |

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| 128 | 455 |             | 1.92   | 1.32(0.85-2.04) |  |
| 335 | 477 |             | 91.45  | 1.27(0.99-1.60) |  |
| 354 | 488 | Colorectal_ | 124.81 | 1.19(0.93-1.52) |  |
| 336 | 481 |             | 169.59 | 1.17(0.91-1.51) |  |
| 407 | 518 |             | 264.14 | 0.89(0.68-1.16) |  |
| 117 | 480 | Rectum_     | 91.45  | 1.12(0.83-1.53) |  |
| 126 | 489 |             | 124.81 | 1.23(0.90-1.69) |  |
| 145 | 479 |             | 169.59 | 1.34(0.96-1.85) | reference dose: 56.94- adjusted: age, sex,     |
| 141 | 516 |             | 264.14 | 1.03(0.73-1.46) | energy intake, BMI, smoking, alcohol, physical |
| 138 | 480 | Colon_      | 91.45  | 1.25(0.93-1.66) | activity, education,                           |
| 123 | 489 | Proximal_   | 124.81 | 0.9(0.66-1.23)  | income, NSAID, folate, supplement, province of |
| 132 | 479 |             | 169.59 | 1.06(0.78-1.46) | residence                                      |
| 129 | 516 |             | 264.14 | 0.75(0.54-1.05) |  |
| 117 | 480 | Colon_      | 91.45  | 1.07(0.78-1.48) |  |
| 131 | 489 | distal_     | 124.81 | 1.24(0.90-1.71) |  |
| 101 | 479 |             | 169.59 | 1.31(0.94-1.83) |  |
| 128 | 516 |             | 264.14 | 1.01(0.71-1.45) |  |