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## **Electronic nicotine delivery systems**

To the Editor:

While reading the editorial on electronic nicotine delivery systems by BLASI and WARD [1], we noticed an inaccuracy in the section on The post-2016 regimen (p. 586). It is wrongly stated that "there will be a maximum nicotine volume for e-cigarettes of 10 mL for refillable cartridges". The volume of 10 mL was stated by the European Union in its 2014/40/EU Directive to be applicable to "refill containers" for the e-liquids that are used to refill the (maximally) 2 mL-containing refillable cartridges of an e-cigarette [2]. In the EU Directive 2014/40/EU, it is stated in article 20.3a that "nicotine-containing liquid is only placed on the market in dedicated refill containers not exceeding a volume of 10 ml, in disposable electronic cigarettes or in single use cartridges and that the cartridges or tanks do not exceed a volume of 2 ml" and in article 20.3b that "the nicotine-containing liquid does not contain nicotine in excess of 20 mg/ml."



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A correction is needed on electronic nicotine delivery systems http://ow.ly/EWkzj

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We thank K. Nackaerts and L. Joossens for correctly pointing out an error in our editorial "Electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS): the beginning of the end or the end of the beginning?" [1]. Where the Editorial states that "there will be a maximum nicotine volume for e-cigarettes (2 mL for single use and 10 mL for refillable cartridges), and a maximum nicotine concentration for refillable cartridges, tanks and containers of nicotine liquids (20 mg·mL<sup>-1</sup>)", it should read "according to Article 20 3 (a) and 20 3 (b) of Directive 2014/40/EU [2], 'Member States shall ensure that: (a) nicotine-containing liquid is only placed on the market in dedicated refill containers not exceeding a volume of 10 ml, in disposable electronic cigarettes or in single use cartridges and that the cartridges or tanks do not exceed a volume of 2 ml;



