Table S4 Results of logistic regression models for GOLD stage 2 or worse COPD* adjusted for log urine cadmium/creatinine, age, race/ethnicity, sex, education, job category, body mass index, years ago quit smoking (for former smokers), pack years of cigarettes, and cotinine level. From the Third National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, 1988–94

| Variable | Current smokers | Former smokers | Never smokers |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Log cadmium/creatinine | 2.29 (1.67 to 3.15) | 1.90 (1.38 to 2.63) | 1.25 (0.98 to 1.60) |
| Age (10 years) | 1.81 (1.57 to 2.09) | 2.26 (1.95 to 2.63) | 1.57 (1.39 to 1.78) |
| Race/ethnicity | | | |
| White | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Black | 0.66 (0.44 to 0.99) | 0.95 (0.60 to 1.52) | 1.18 (0.80 to 1.72) |
| Mexican-American | 0.45 (0.25 to 0.80) | 0.88 (0.44 to 1.77) | 0.73 (0.44 to 1.24) |
| Other | 0.78 (0.35 to 1.76) | 1.10 (0.47 to 2.59) | 1.93 (1.07 to 3.48) |
| Sex | | | |
| Male | 1.31 (0.87 to 1.96) | 1.61 (1.05 to 2.46) | 1.51 (0.88 to 2.58) |
| Female | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Education level (years) | | | |
| <12 | 1.39 (0.85 to 2.28) | 1.65 (1.03 to 2.64) | 1.47 (0.96 to 2.25) |
| 12 | 1.21 (0.84 to 1.76) | 1.98 (1.28 to 3.06) | 0.96 (0.57 to 1.63) |
| ≥13 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Job category | | | |
| Agriculture | 1.71 (0.80 to 3.65) | 0.98 (0.53 to 1.81) | 0.68 (0.37 to 1.24) |
| Mining/manufacturing | 0.79 (0.51 to 1.21) | 0.79 (0.49 to 1.27) | 0.96 (0.53 to 1.74) |
| Transport | 0.98 (0.45 to 2.14) | 1.05 (0.50 to 2.21) | 1.13 (0.28 to 4.56) |
| Service | 0.97 (0.61 to 1.55) | 0.64 (0.38 to 1.09) | 0.73 (0.37 to 1.41) |
| Unemployed | 0.87 (0.39 to 1.91) | 0.66 (0.22 to 2.05) | 1.50 (0.70 to 3.21) |
| Retail | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Body mass index (kg/m ²) | | | |
| <18.5 | 2.32 (1.14 to 4.73) | 17.34 (4.21 to 71.38) | 1.33 (0.47 to 3.74) |
| 18.5–24 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

| Variable | Current smokers | Former smokers | Never smokers |
|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 25–29 | 0.91 (0.61 to 1.35) | 0.71 (0.51 to 1.00) | 0.60 (0.38 to 0.94) |
| ≥30 | 1.46 (0.89 to 2.37) | 1.05 (0.72 to 1.53) | 0.68 (0.45 to 1.04) |
| Years ago quit smoking | | | |
| cigarettes | | | |
| >0–10 | | 3.83 (1.30 to 11.30) | |
| >10-20 | | 4.25 (1.41 to 12.79) | |
| >20–30 | | 1.73 (0.59 to 5.05) | |
| >30–40 | | 2.17 (0.58 to 8.17) | |
| >40 | | 1 | |
| Unknown | | 5.13 (1.38 to 19.09) | |
| Pack years of cigarettes | | | |
| ≥60 | 4.96 (1.62 to 15.23) | 10.97 (2.05 to 58.80) | |
| ≤30–59 | 2.92 (1.15 to 7.42) | 5.17 (1.02 to 26.31) | |
| >0–29 | 1.56 (0.65 to 3.73) | 3.94 (0.75 to 20.78) | |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | |
| Cotinine level (ng/ml)† | | | |
| >100 | 1.04 (0.45 to 2.41) | 1.10 (0.48 to 2.50) | 0.61 (0.30 to 1.25) |
| ≤15–100 | 0.86 (0.33 to 2.23) | 1.97 (0.59 to 6.60) | 1.14 (0.35 to 3.75) |
| ≤0.3–15 | 0.48 (0.11 to 2.17) | 1.20 (0.66 to 2.20) | 1.05 (0.57 to 1.94) |
| 0.05-0.29 | 0.11 (0.01 to 0.87) | 1.22 (0.70 to 2.12) | 1.19 (0.71 to 2.00) |
| Non-detectable | | 1 | 1 |
| Missing | 1 | 1.69 (0.37 to 7.70) | 0.75 (0.28 to 2.03) |
| r^2 of model | 0.21 | 0.21 | 0.04 |

^{*}GOLD is the Global Initiative on Obstructive Lung Disease. Stage 2 or higher COPD is defined as subjects with an FEV1/FVC <70% and an FEV1 <80% predicted.

[†]Some never and former smokers had cotinine levels >15♣ng/ml, suggesting misclassification of smoking status