

The wear on brake linings during stop-and-go driving, and increased exhaust emissions, both add to the levels of asbestos particles polluting the air.



smoking has never been proven either. There is an important difference between these two health problems. Smoking is a voluntary act. If you want to live longer you will stop smoking, but people who do not want asbestos in the air they breathe and the water they drink have no second choice. The people mining this material have put it there, and unless you have an electron microscope in your chemistry set, you will not know about it until it is, perhaps, too late.

Johns-Manville (the largest asbestos corporation in the United States) has now joined in private and public research programs investigating the known and potential dangers of asbestos. Johnson & Johnson (one of the best selling brands of baby powder), has denied that the talc it mines in Vermont is contaminated with asbestos. Nevertheless, they have been cooperating fully with scientists seeking to determine whether or not talc itself is harmful to health.

Asbestos in Children's Cosmetics

According to Dr. Langer: "Big companies like Johnson & Johnson are not as likely to have an asbestos problem since they have the resources to select only high-grade talc and free it of any remaining impurities" but there are many types of talc used by the cosmetic industry in this country and abroad. There are French