Mixed Exposures to Chrysotile and Amphiboles
Case Control Study

- Relative Risk = 1 for no asbestos in lung tissue
- Relative Risk = 6 for chrysotile
- Relative Risk = 12 for amphiboles
- Relative Risk = 61 for chrysotile plus amphiboles
- "Mixtures of amphiboles and chrysotile occur much more commonly in the lungs of mesothelioma patients relative to controls than do either of the main types of fiber alone."
- "Mixtures of fibers are associated with higher relative risks than either type of fiber alone, both when the total quantity of fiber found is low and when it is high."

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