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|  | **ITC Data Sharing Agreement with Japan** |

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This data sharing agreement is intended for:

* Japan Waves 1-2 (2017-2019)
* Japan Wave 3 (2020)
* All of the above

**Wave 1 (2017)**

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**Terms and Conditions**

Wave 1 of the ITC Japan Survey will establish, survey and then re-survey a cohort of 2,000 smokers, 400 non-smokers, and 400 recent quitters. The project will be coordinated and administered by UW*.* Data collection and entry will be carried out by the survey firm Rakuten AIP, which will be contracted by UW.

NCC authorizes the International Tobacco Control Data Repository (ITCDR), operated by the ITC Project Data Management Centre (DMC) at the University of Waterloo, to house the ITC Japan Wave Survey data, and to manage access to the data by approved researchers according to the data sharing protocol described in the ITCDR Guidelines (http://www.itcproject.org/forms).

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**Wave 2 (2018)**

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**Wave 3 (2019)**

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