

WILL I GET CANCER FROM BURNING CANDLES?

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candles can often times be associated with relaxation and self-care. Although candles are known to bring tranquility and good vibes, there is nothing good about the toxins and carcinogenic compounds that can be found in a lot of popular name brand candles! And, there is absolutely NOTHING warm and inviting about putting the ones we love in contact with the toxic substances that can be found in a lot of household favorite candles.

SAFETY

FACTS



Paraffin wax is a byproduct of the oil purification process. Through a dewaxing process that crude oil undergoes, paraffin wax is derived and is then processed further for use in candles. Paraffin wax releases toxic fumes when burn.

In 2009, a study by South Carolina State University found that burning paraffin wax candles give off harmful fumes (toluene and **benzene**). The International Agency for Research on Cancer's (IARC) goal is to identify causes of cancer. IARC classifies **benzene** as “carcinogenic to humans,” based on sufficient evidence that benzene causes acute myeloid leukemia (AML). IARC also notes that benzene exposure has been linked with acute lymphocytic leukemia (ALL), chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL), multiple myeloma, and non-Hodgkin lymphoma.

Soy wax candles are a highly viable alternative and are arguably more sustainable. To date, there have been no known cancer causing chemicals discovered in ALL NATURAL SOY wax based candles.