

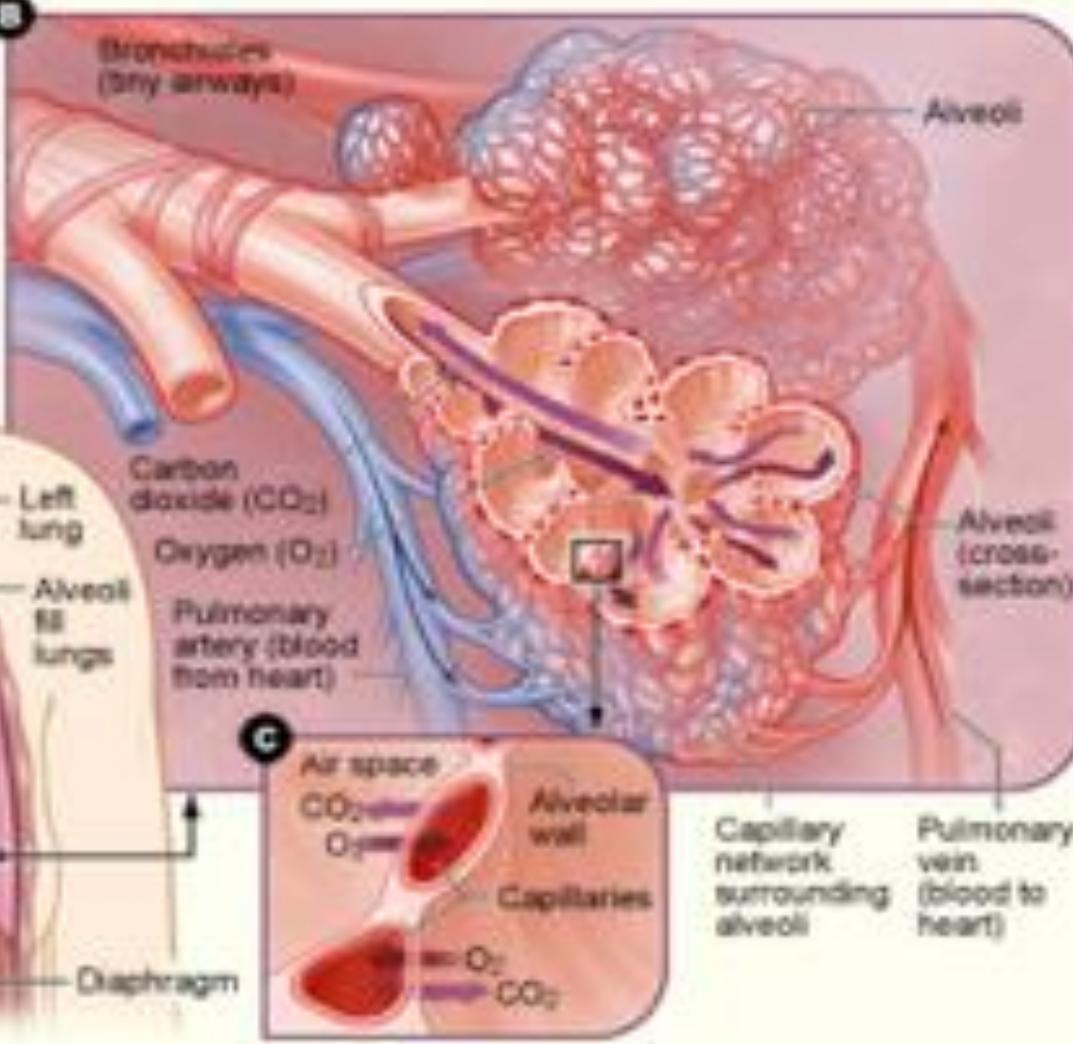
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# *The Respiratory System*

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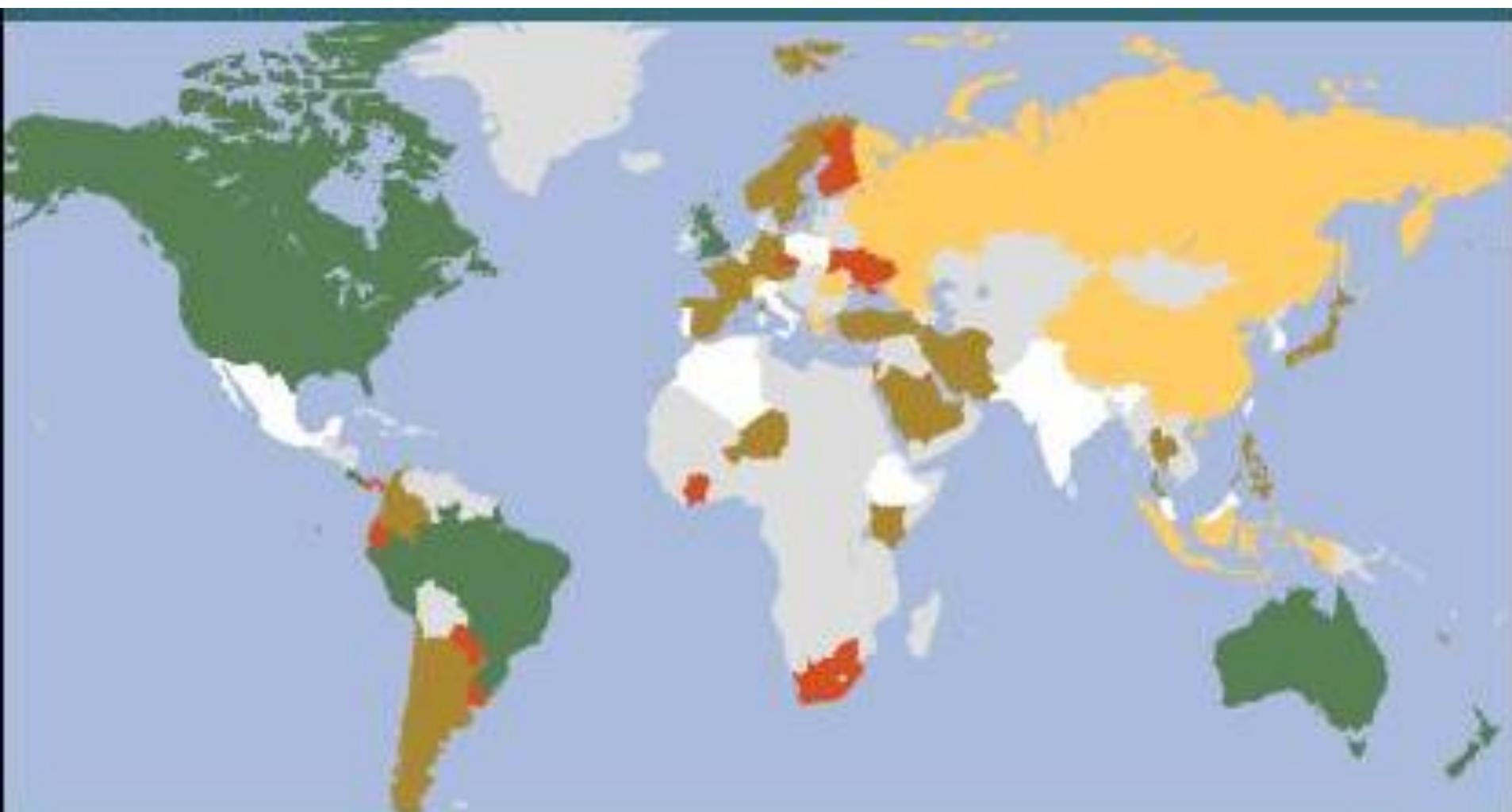
# تعريف الربو حسب المبادرة العالمية للربو (GINA) Global Initiative For Asthma

- هو مرض التهابي مزمن يصيب السبل التنفسية حيث تلعب أنماط من الخلايا والوسائط دوراً في هذا الالتهاب الذي بدوره يرتبط بفرط استجابة السبل التنفسية مما ينجم عنه نوبات متكررة من الوزير، عسر التنفس، صلابة الصدر، والسعال خاصةً في الليل أو الصباح الباكر.
- عادةً ما تترافق هذه النوبات مع انسداد السبل التنفسية ضمن الرئتين انسداداً غالباً ما يكون عكوساً يُصحح عفويًا أو بالعلاج.

# الوبائيات Epidemiology حسب منظمة الصحة العالمية (WHO)

- يُقدر عدد الأشخاص الذين يعانون حالياً من الربو تقريرياً بـ ٢٣٥ مليون شخص.
- يعتبر الربو أكثر الأمراض المزمنة شيوعاً بين الأطفال حيث يُقدر عدد الأطفال المصابين بالربو بـ ٧ مليون طفل.
- وصل عدد الوفيات بسبب الربو لـ ٢٥٠,٠٠٠ حالة.
- يتم تشخيص ثلثي حالات الربو قبل بلوغ المريض سن ١٨ سنة وما يقارب نصف الأطفال الذين شُخصوا في مرحلة الطفولة تختفي لديهم الأعراض عند البلوغ.

# الانتشار Prevalence



Percentage of the population affected.

10.1 +	5.1 - 7.5	0 - 2.5
7.6 - 10.0	2.5 - 5.0	No standardised data available

الانتشار تبعاً للجنس:

بعد سن البلوغ

إناث > ذكور

سن البلوغ

ذكور = إناث

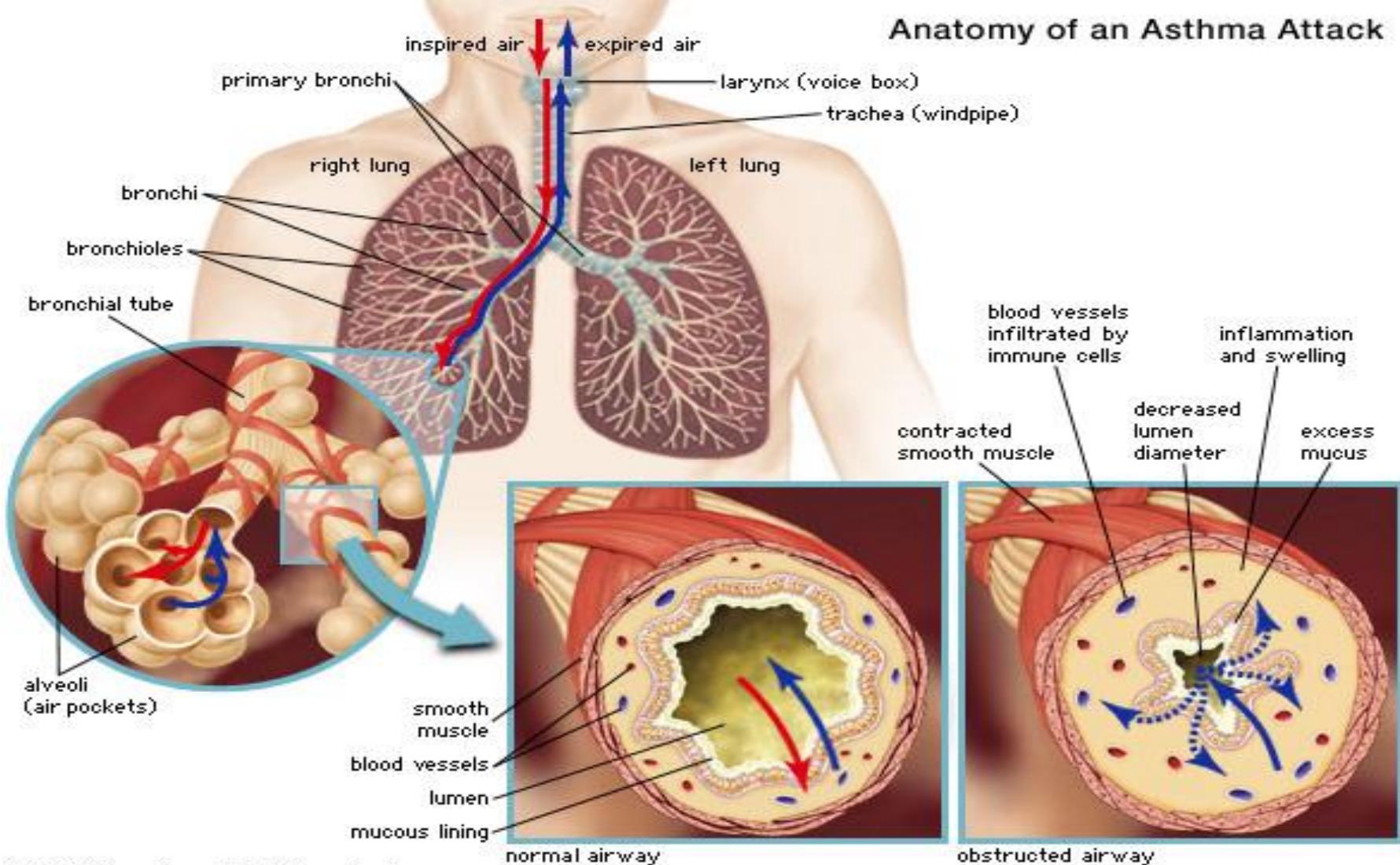
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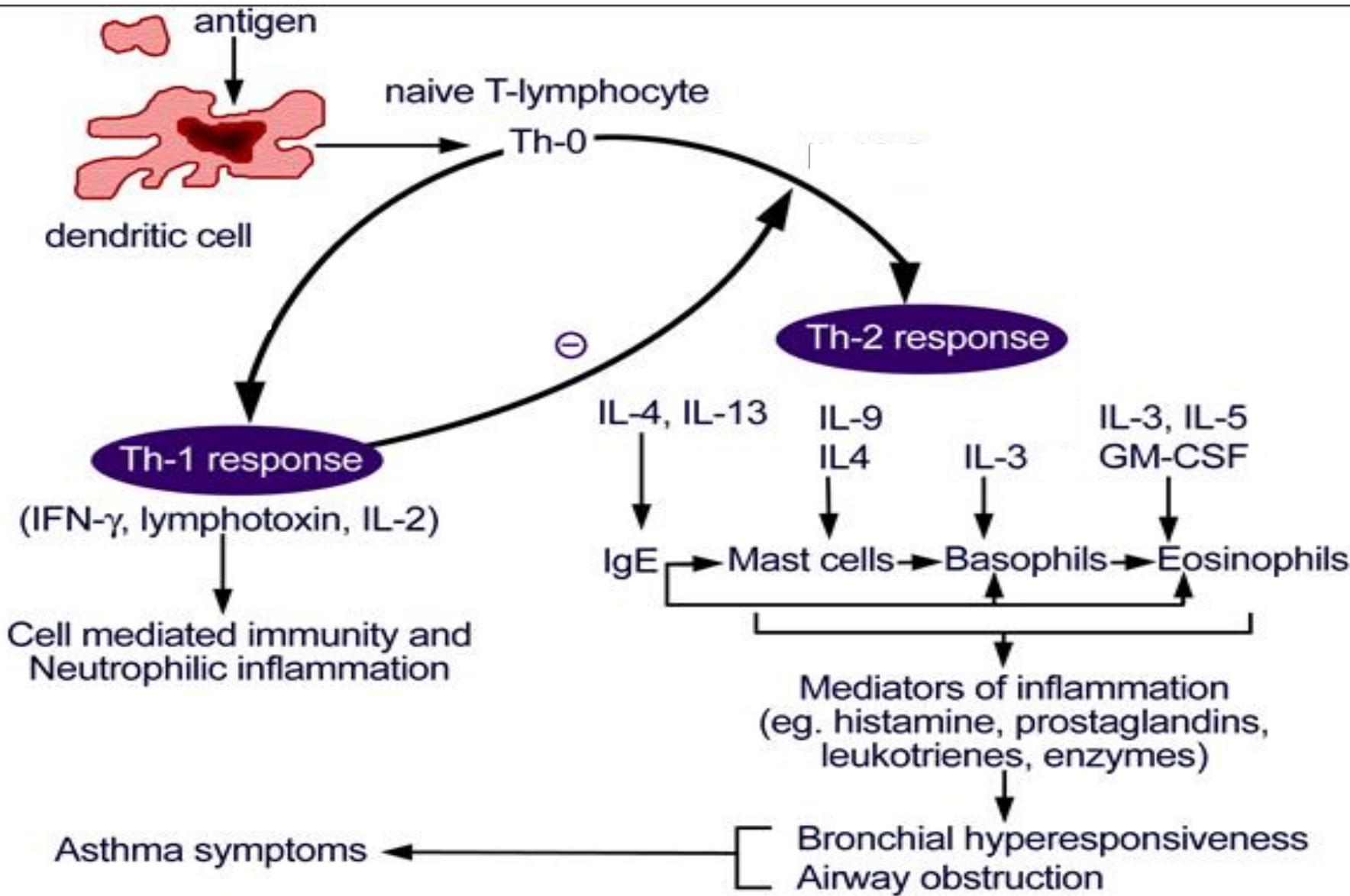
# الفيزيولوجيا المرضية Pathophysiology

- التهاب الم Allaّك التنفسية.
- انسداد الم Allaّك التنفسية بشكل عكوس.
- فرط حساسية القصبات.

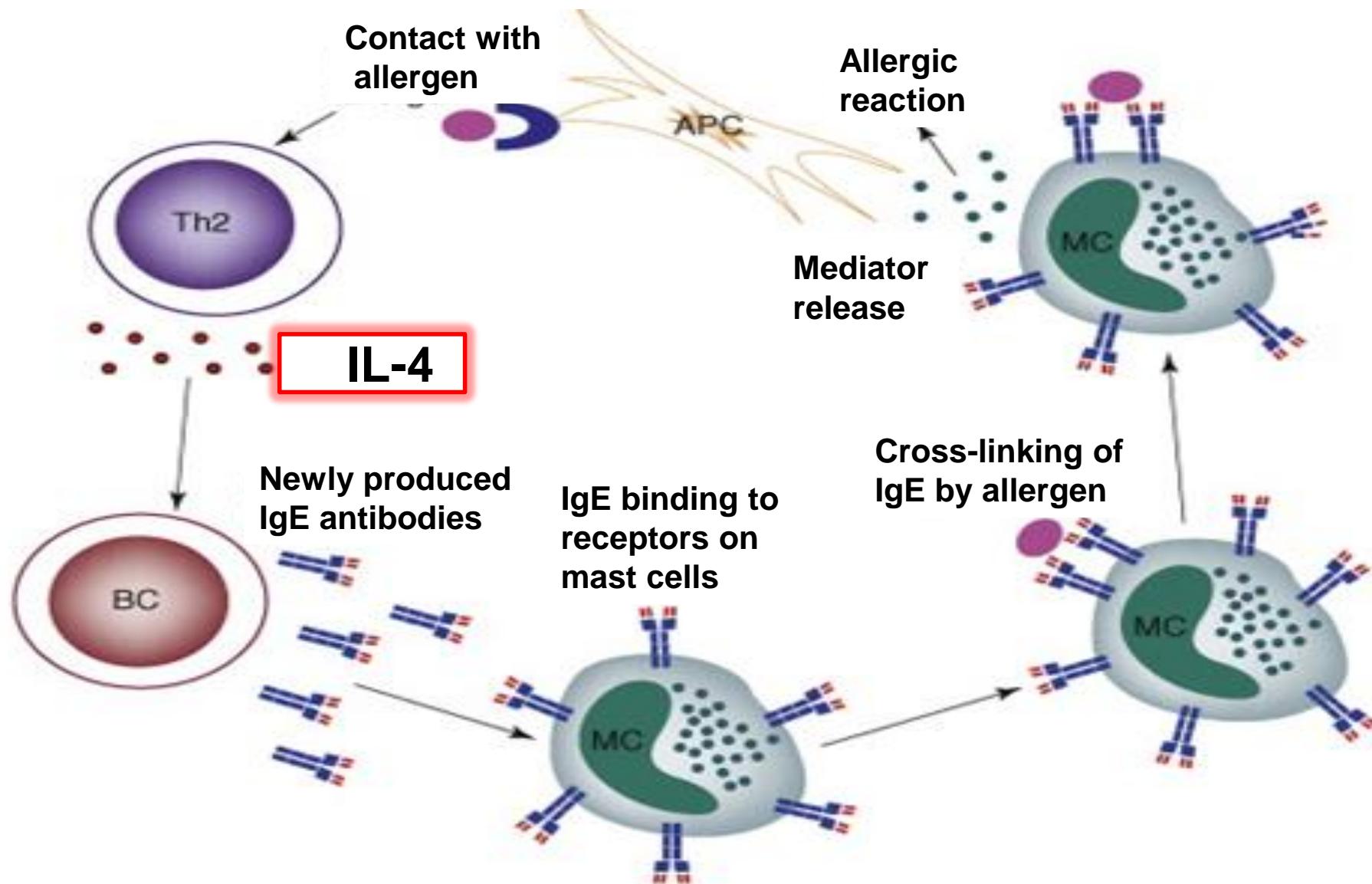
# الفيزيولوجيا المرضية Pathophysiology



# دور الوسائل الالتهابية



# الدور الوسائط الالتهابية



# Risk Factors for Developing Asthma: Genetic Characteristics.

- **Atopy**
  - The body's predisposition to develop immunoglobulin E antibody (IgE) in response to exposure to environmental allergens
  - Can be measured in the blood
  - Includes allergic rhinitis, asthma, hay fever, and eczema

# Clearing the Air: Indoor Air Exposures & Asthma Development

## Biological Agents

- Sufficient evidence of causal relationship
- House dust mite**
- Limited or suggestive evidence of association
- Cockroach (among pre-school aged children)**
- Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)**

## Chemical Agents

- Sufficient evidence of association

- Environmental Tobacco Smoke (among pre-school aged children)**

# Indoor Air Exposures & Asthma Exacerbation

- **Biological Agents**
- Sufficient evidence of causal relationship
- **Cat**
- **Cockroach**
- **House dust mite**
- Sufficient evidence of an association
- **Dog**
- **Fungus/Molds**
- **Rhinovirus**
- Limited or suggestive evidence of association
- **Domestic birds**
- **Chlamydia and Mycoplasma pneumonia**
- **RSV**
- **Chemical Agents**
- Sufficient evidence of causal relationship
- **Environmental tobacco smoke**
- Sufficient evidence of an association
- **NO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>X</sub> (high levels)**
- Limited or suggestive evidence of association
- **Environmental Tobacco Smoke**
- **Formaldehyde**
- **Fragrances**



# مَحَرِّضاتِ الْرَّبِو



# أنماط الربو Asthma Types

• الربو التحسسي Allergic asthma 1

• الربو غير التحسسي Non-allergic asthma 2

• الربو المحرّض بالأسبرين Aspirin-induced asthma 3

• الربو المهني Occupational asthma 4

• الربو المحرّض بالتمارين Exercise-induced asthma 5

• الربو المحرّض بالانتانات Infectious asthma 6

# Asthma Symptoms

- غير مُنتج وغير نُوبى.
- قد يكون هو العرض الوحيد للربو وخاصية الربو المحرّض بالتمارين أو الربو الليلي.
- بعد منتصف الليل وفي ساعات الصباح الباكر.

السعال

- قد تكون موجودة مع أو بدون الأعراض الأخرى.
- خاصةً في الربو المحرّض بالتمارين أو الربو الليلي.

صلابة الصدر

- في حالات الربو الخفيفة يقتصر هذا الصوت على نهاية الزفير.
- في نوبات الربو قد يُسمع صوت الوزير أثناء الشهيق أيضاً.

الوزير

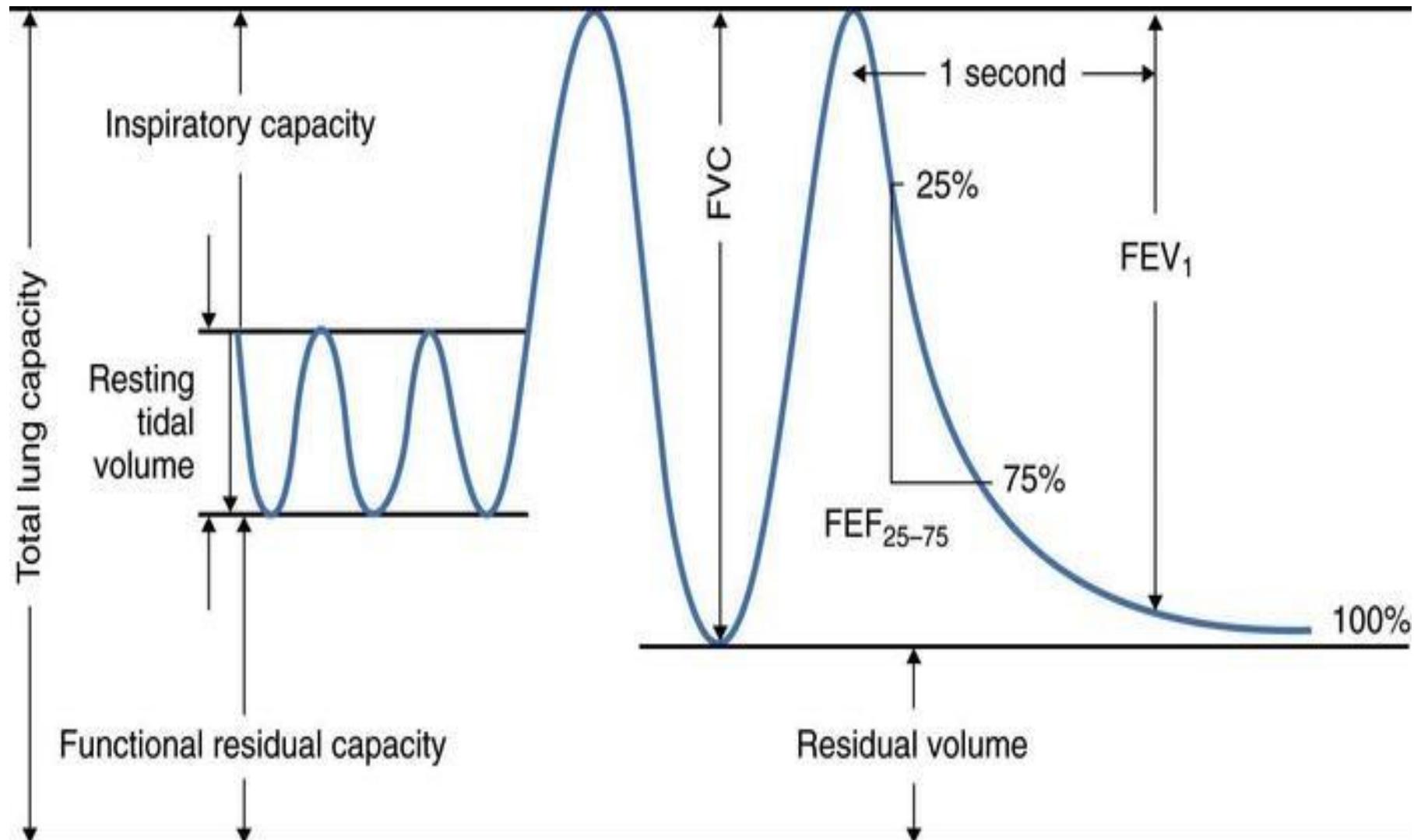
# Diagnosing Asthma: Spirometry

- Lung Function Test (LFT)

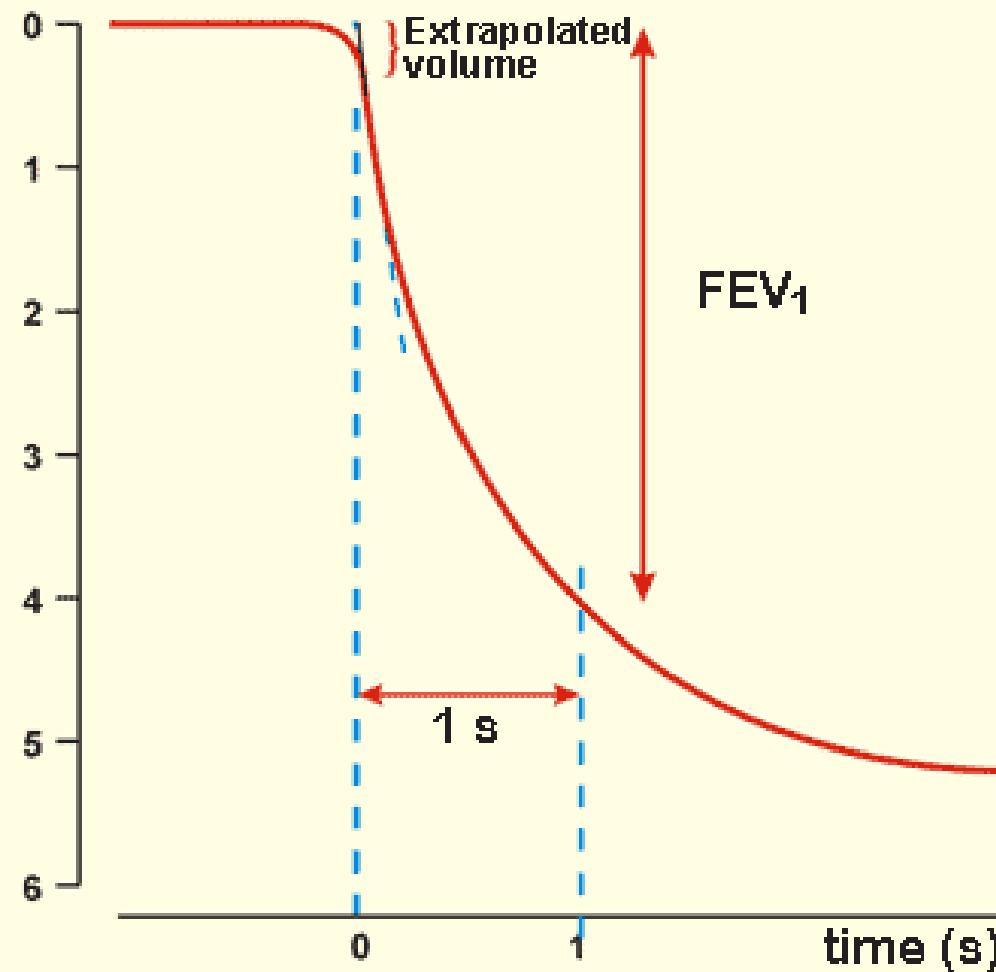


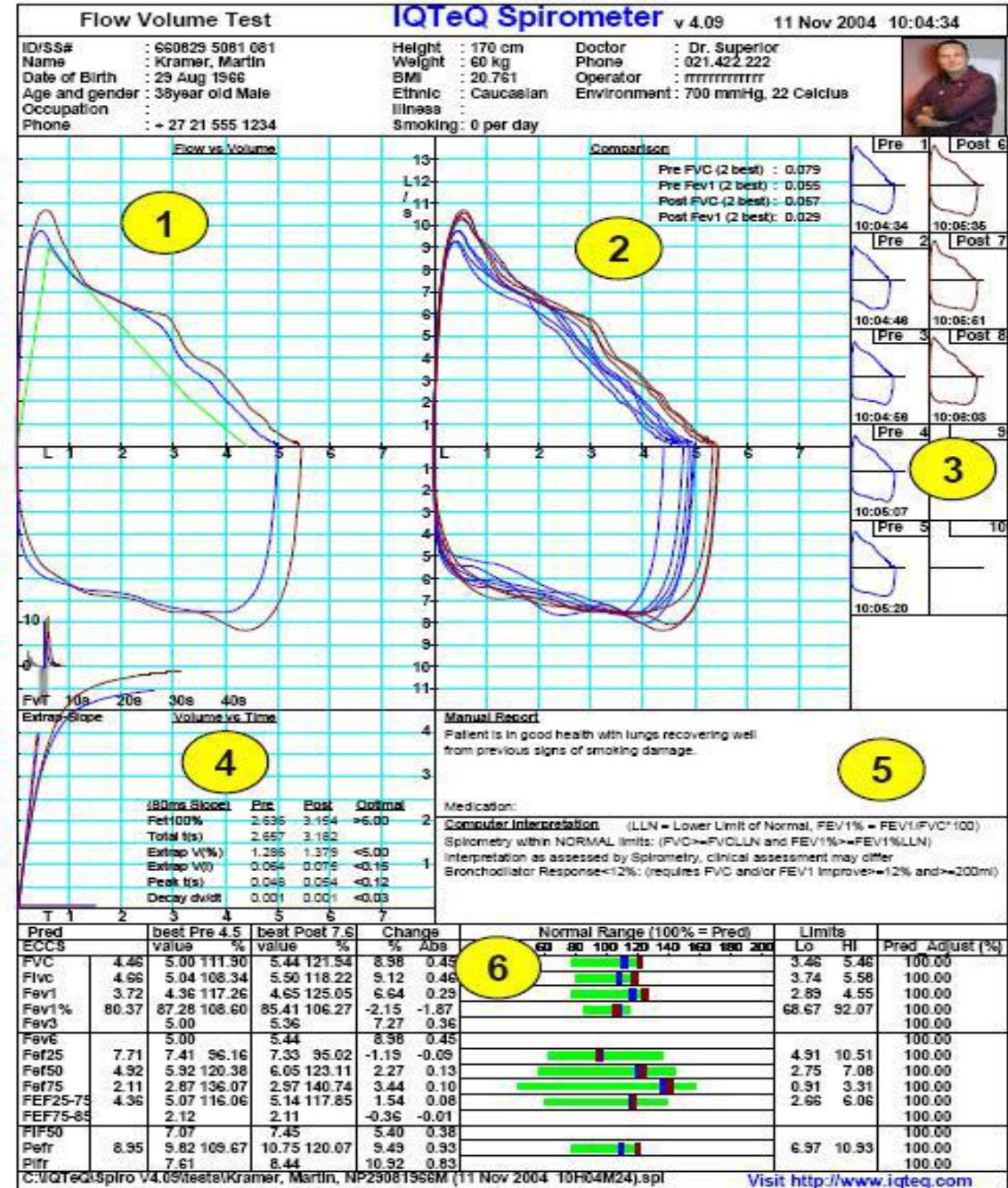
# الاستقصاءات

عن ماذا يعبر؟	اسم الاختبار
<p>الحجم الزفييري الجهدى</p> <p>يعبر عن <b>FEV</b> كنسبة مئوية من الحجم الكلى للهواء</p> <p>الزفييري وتعطى نتائج الفحص</p> <p>كنسبة <b>FEV1/FVC</b></p>	<p>(Forced Expiratory Volume) <b>FEV</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ حجم الهواء الزفييري الجهدى خلال الثانية الأولى.</li> <li>✓ يعادل ٨٠٪ إلى ٧٠٪ من السعة الكلية للرئة (مريض الربو يحتاج ٣-٤ ثوانى)</li> <li>✓ يستنشق المريض بعمق قدر المستطاع ثم يخرج الزفير بشكل قسرى وكمال في الجزء الفموي الموصول مع <b>spirometer</b></li> <li>✓ يفيد في تقدير مدى الاستجابة للمعالجة والتنبؤ بحدة التوبة</li> </ul>	<b>FEV1</b>
<p>القدرة القصوى للزفير القسرى للهواء</p> <p>وهو تقييم للهواء الزفييري الأعظمي الجهدى</p>	<b>FVC</b>



Exhaled volume (L)





- Pre and Post Bronchodilator Graphs superimposed
- Automatic best test selection (FVC+FEV1)
- Predicted graph for easy reference and comparison

- All selected tests superimposed for repeatability and quality control
- ATS best test selection criteria displayed

- Micro display of all tests for easy sequence and selection analysis
- Time of test displayed
- Database storage and retrieval

- Volume /Time graphs with start and end of test criteria for easy quality control assessment (ATS 1994)

- Comprehensive computer interpretation with rationale for informed decision and assessment of validity
- Interpretation based on ATS and ACOEM requirements

- Selection of Reference values
- Bar Chart display of results with normal ranges for easy assessment

## هدف المعالجة الدوائية:

↓ تكرارية النوبات وشدتها

حفظ على وظائف الرئة قريبة من الطبيعي

نشاط طبيعي قدر الإمكان

منع وصول انسداد السبل التنفسية لحالة غير عكوسية

↓ زيارة غرفة الإسعاف

التقليل من التأثيرات الجانبية للعلاج

# Asthma Classification

تصنيف الربو

persistent مستمر			متقطّع	علام الشدّة
severe شديد	moderate متوسط	mild خفيف		
يومياً	يومياً	<مرة/ أسبوعياً	<مرة/ أسبوعياً	الأعراض النهارية
تأثير على نمط تؤثر على النوم متكررة/محدودية النشاط اليومي	والحياة	الحياة	نادراً	النوبات
متكررة	< مرتبين / شهرياً	< مرتبين / شهرياً	كمرتين/شهرياً	الأعراض الليلية
% ٦٠ ≤	% ٨٠-٦٠	٨٠ ≤	٨٠ ≤	FEV1
% ٣٠ <	% ٣٠ <	% ٣٠-٢٠ >	% ٢٠ >	FEV1 اختلاف
يومياً				استخدام الأدوية الاسعافية

# المعالجة الدوائية

## المعالجة طويلة الأمد

## الأدوية الاصفافية

ناهضات بيتا - 2 طويلة المفعول

(سالميترول - فورميترول) LABA

الكورتيكosteroidات الانشائية ICS

الكرومولينات

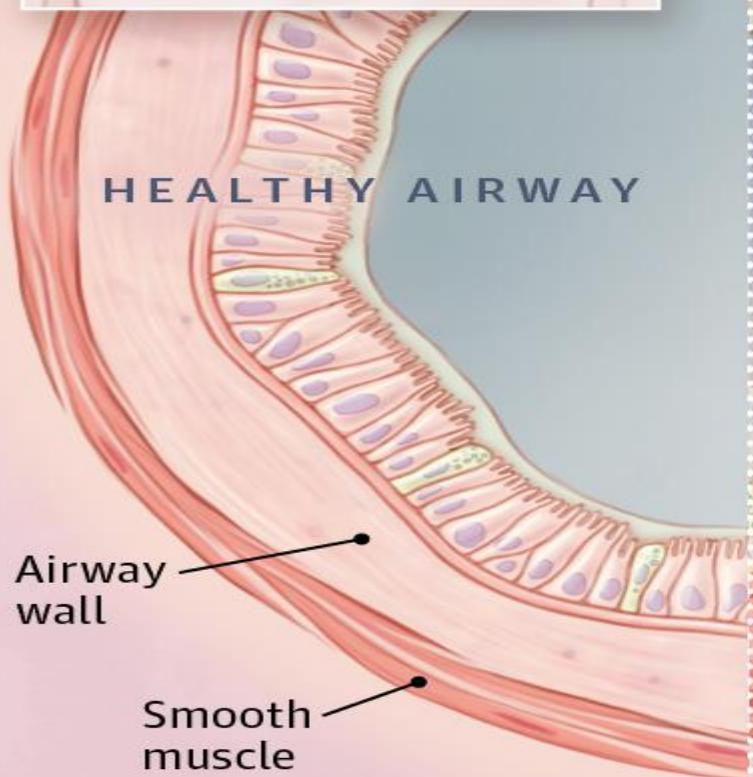
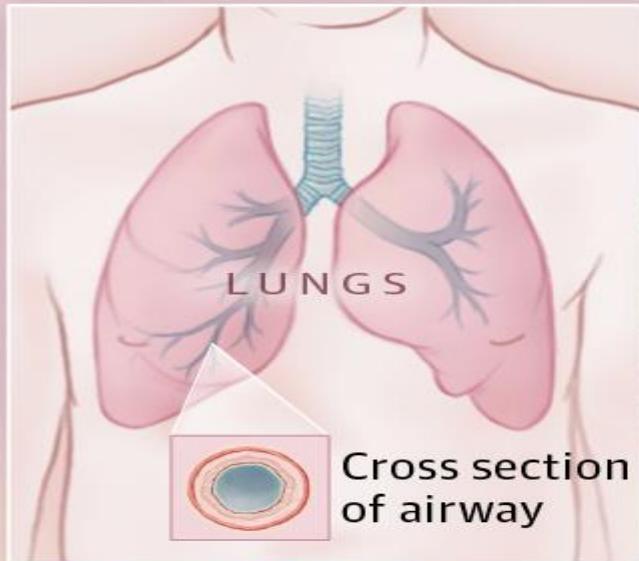
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ناهضات بيتا - 2 قصيرة المفعول

(ـتـيرـبـوتـالـينـ - سـالـبـوتـامـولـ) SABA

ـالـتـيـوـفـيلـلـينـ

ـمـضـادـاتـ الـكـولـينـ (ـاـيـيرـاـتـرـوـبـيـومـ)



## Medications for Asthma

### Medications that relax airway smooth muscle

Controller medications

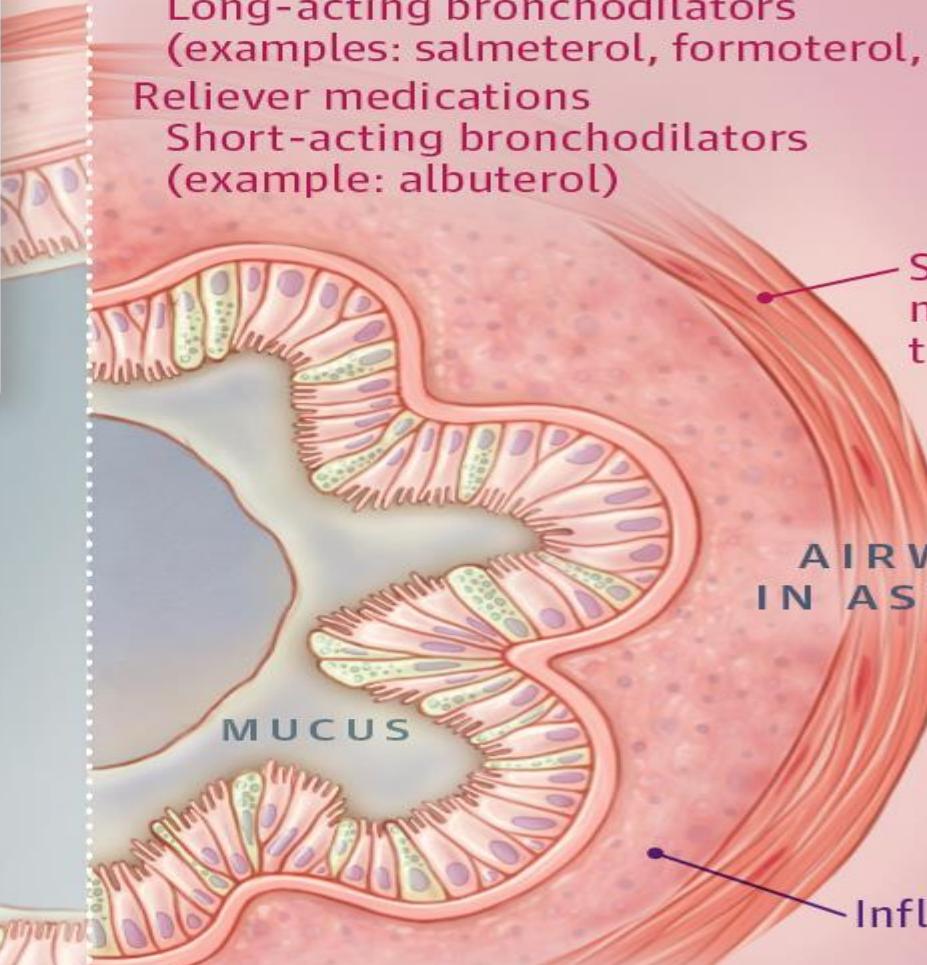
Long-acting bronchodilators

(examples: salmeterol, formoterol, tiotropium)

Reliever medications

Short-acting bronchodilators

(example: albuterol)



### Medications that treat airway inflammation

Inhaled corticosteroids

(examples: fluticasone, mometasone)

Leukotriene receptor modifiers

(example: montelukast)

## ناهضات $\beta$ 2

- ناهضات  $\beta$  2 قصيرة المفعول هي الموسّعات القصبية المتوافرة الأكثر فعالية حيث يفعّل تنبيه مستقبلات  $\beta$  الأدرينرجية الأدنيل سيكلاز الأمر الذي يسبب زيادة في الأدينوزين أحادي الفوسفات الحلقى داخل الخلوي.
- يفضي هذا لارتخاء العضلات الملساء وثبت غشاء الخلية البدنية وتنبيه العضلات الهيكلية.
- يستطُب الألبوتيرول Albuterol وناهضات  $\beta$  الانتقائية الأخرى قصيرة المفعول لعلاج النوبات المتقطعة من التشنج القصبي.
- إن الفورميترول Formetrol والساميتيرول Salmetrol عبارة عن ناهضات  $\beta$  انشائية مديدة المفعول تستطُب بغية المساعدة في الضبط طويل الأمد للمرضى العرضيين المعالجين بجرعات منخفضة أو متوسطة من ICS قبل الاقدام على رفع جرعة الأخيرة ضمن المجال المتوسط أو العالى.

# ناهضات $\beta$ 2

Agent	Selectivity		Duration of Action
	$\beta_1$	$\beta_2$	
Albuterol	+	++++	4-8 hours
Terbutaline	+	++++	4-8 hours
Formoterol	+	++++	$\geq 12$ hours
Salmeterol	+	++++	$\geq 12$ hours

# الستيروئيدات الـقـشـرـية Corticosteroids

- تزيد الستيروئيدات الـقـشـرـية من عدد مستقبلات  $\beta_2$  الأـدـيـنـرـجـيـة وتحسن استجابة المستقبلات للتنبيه الأـدـرـيـنـرـجـيـ  $\beta_2$  وبالتالي فهي تنقص إنتاج المخاط وفرط المفرزات وتنقص وذمة ونـتـحـ المـجـرـىـ الـهـوـائـيـ.
- تتأخر الاستجابة على الستيروئيدات الـقـشـرـية الـاـنـشـاقـيـة وتحسن الأعراض في معظم المرضى في غضون الأسبوع الأول أو أول أسبوعين ليبلغ تحسّنها حده الأعظمي في الأسبوع 4 إلى 8 أسبوع.
- تعد الستيروئيدات الـاـنـشـاقـيـة ICS علاج الضـبـط طـوـيلـ المـفـعـولـ المـفـضـلـ للـرـبـوـ المستـمرـ فيـ جـمـيـعـ المـرـضـىـ بـسـبـبـ قـوـتهاـ وـفـعـالـيـتهاـ.

# الستيروئيدات القشرية الانشاقية ICS

- إنّ السمية الجهازية للستيروئيدات القشرية الانشاقية أصغرية خصوصاً مع الجرعات الإنشاقية المنخفضة أو المتوسطة إلا أنّ احتطر التأثيرات الجهازية يزداد مع الجرعات العالية .
- تشمل التأثيرات الجانبية الموضعية المعتمدة على الجرعة داء المبيضات الفموي البلعومي وبحة الصوت ويمكن التقليل من كليهما عبر استخدام حجرة انشاق.
- أمّا التأثيرات الجهازية المرتبطة مع الجرعات العالية ( $> 800$  مكغ/اليوم لمندة 6 أشهر لدى الأطفال) فتتمثل بتبطّط المحور النخامي الوطائي مما يسبب قسراً قامة ونقصاً في النمو.

## Corticosteroids (inhaled) overview

Drug	Indications	Possible Side effects	Some Potential interactions	Precautions and Contraindications
<b>Beclomethasone</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bronchospasm</li> <li>• Seasonal rhinitis</li> <li>• Perennial rhinitis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Headache</li> <li>• URI/ sinusitis</li> <li>• Nasal/ throat irritation</li> <li>• Cough</li> <li>• Oral candidiasis</li> <li>• GI discomfort</li> <li>• Adrenal suppression (↑dose, long-term therapy only)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amphotericin B</li> <li>• Antidiabetic agents</li> <li>• Corticorelin</li> <li>• Ritonavir</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Precautions:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Active untreated infections</li> <li>• Narrow-angle glaucoma</li> <li>• DM/ CVD</li> <li>• Pregnancy/ lactation</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Contraindications:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hypersensitivity to drug and/or its components</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Additional (in Canada) Budesonide</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuberculosis</li> <li>• Untreated respiratory infection</li> </ul>
<b>Budesonide</b>				
<b>Ciclesonide</b>				
<b>Fluticasone</b>				
<b>Mometasone</b>				
<b>Triamcinolone</b>				

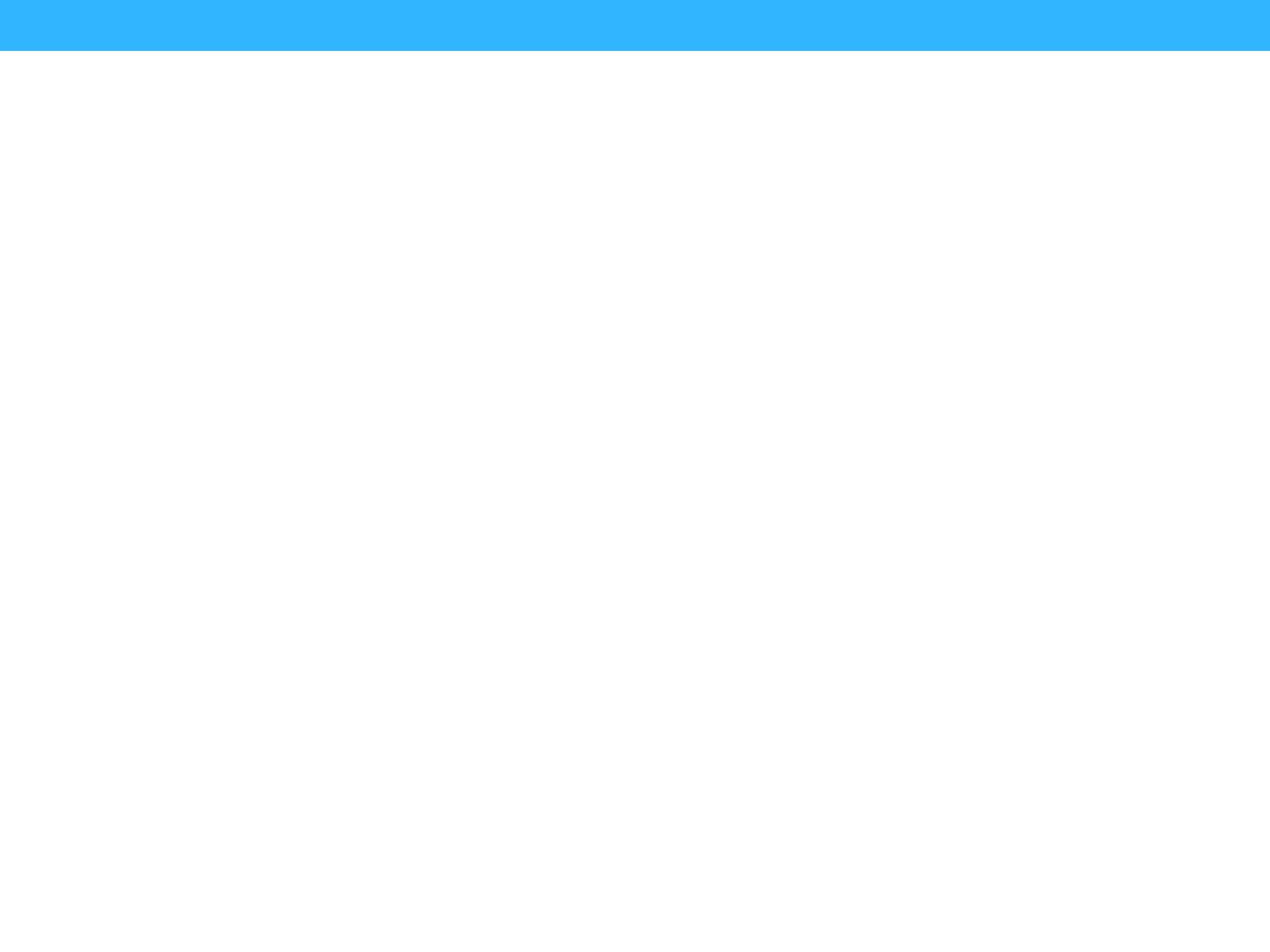
CVD: Cardiovascular disease; DM: Diabetes mellitus; GI: gastrointestinal; URI: Upper respiratory tract infection



# ICS Doses

Drug	Low Daily Dose		Medium Daily Dose		High Daily Dose	
	Child 0–4	Child 5–11	Child 0–4	Child 5–11	Child 0–4	Child 5–11
<b>Beclomethasone HFA</b> 40 or 80 mcg/puff	NA	80–160 mcg	NA	>160–320 mcg	NA	>320 mcg
<b>Budesonide DPI</b> 90, 180, or 200 mcg/inhalation	NA	180–400 mcg	NA	>400–800 mcg	NA	>800 mcg
<b>Budesonide inhaled</b> Inhalation suspension for nebulization (child dose)	0.25–0.5 mg	0.5 mg	>0.5–1.0 mg	1.0 mg	>1.0 mg	2.0 mg
<b>Flunisolide</b> 250 mcg/puff	NA	500–750 mcg	NA	1,000–1,250 mcg	NA	>1,250 mcg
<b>Flunisolide HFA</b> 80 mcg/puff	NA	160 mcg	NA	320 mcg	NA	≥640 mcg
<b>Fluticasone HFA/MDI:</b> 44, 110, or 220 mcg/puff <b>DPI:</b> 50, 100, or 250 mcg/inhalation	176 mcg	88–176 mcg	>176–352 mcg	>176–352 mcg	>352 mcg	>352 mcg
<b>Mometasone DPI</b> 200 mcg/inhalation	NA	100–200 mcg	NA	>200–400 mcg	NA	>400 mcg
<b>Triamcinolone acetonide</b> 75 mcg/puff	NA	300–600 mcg	NA	>600–900 mcg	NA	>900 mcg

Key: HFA, hydrofluoroalkane; NA, not approved and no data available for this age group



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## Theophylline (Anhydrous) Extended-Release Tablets

400 mg

100 Tablets

R Only



**USUAL DOSAGE:** Read package insert for prescribing information.

Store at 20°-25°C (68°-77°F); excursions permitted to 15°-30°C (59°-86°F) [See USP controlled room temperature]

**Pharmacist:** Dispense in a tight, light-resistant container as defined in the USP.

**WARNING: AS WITH ALL MEDICATIONS, KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN**

**EACH EXTENDED RELEASE TABLET CONTAINS:**  
Theophylline (Anhydrous) ..... 400 mg

Manufactured by:  
Nostrum Laboratories, Inc.  
Kansas City, MO 64120

Distributed by:  
PACK Pharmaceuticals, LLC  
Buffalo Grove, IL 60089

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# Theophylline

- Theophylline has **two** distinct actions in the airways of patients with reversible obstruction; smooth muscle relaxation (i.e., **bronchodilation**) and suppression of the response of the airways to stimuli (i.e., **non-bronchodilator prophylactic effects**).

• **التيوفيليين** مديد التحرر مفيد ليلاً لتهيئة الأعراض الليلية المزعجة

• قد يصبح ضرورياً لدى المرضى غير القادرين على استعمال العلاج الاستنشاقي بشكل

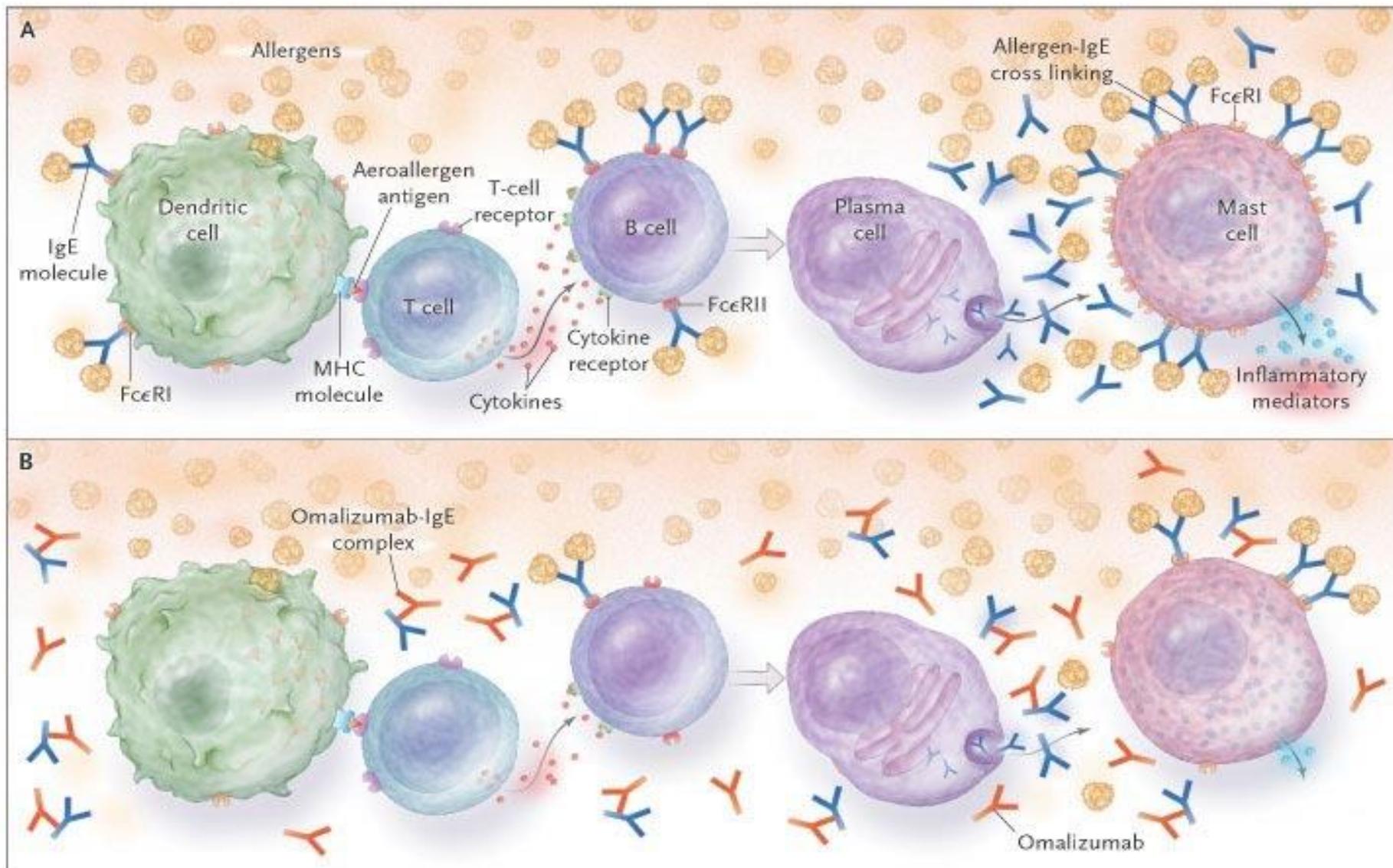
• فعال

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• **S/E:** غثیان، اسھال، هیجان عصبی، صداع



# Omalizumab



# Respiratory Inhaler Identification Chart

This is not a complete list of available agents. Please consult the CPS for others.

## WHICH INHALERS HAVE BEEN PRESCRIBED FOR YOU?

CONTROLLERS		
Anti-Inflammatories	Long-Acting Bronchodilators	Combination Medications
 <p><b>FLOVENT® HFA</b> (Fluticasone propionate) Available in 50, 125 &amp; 250 mcg per dose GlaxoSmithKline</p> <p><b>FLOVENT® DISKUS®</b> Inhalation Device (Fluticasone propionate) Available in 50, 100, 250 &amp; 500 mcg per dose GlaxoSmithKline</p> <p><b>PULMICORT® TURBUHALER®</b> (Budesonide) Available in 100, 200 &amp; 400 mcg per dose AstraZeneca</p>	 <p><b>"SEREVENT"</b> (Salmeterol xinafoate) 25 mcg per dose GlaxoSmithKline</p> <p><b>"SEREVENT® DISKUS"</b> Inhalation Device (Salmeterol xinafoate) 50 mcg per dose GlaxoSmithKline</p> <p><b>"OVAIR"</b> (Beclometasone dipropionate) Available in 50 &amp; 100 mcg per dose 3M Pharmaceuticals</p>	 <p><b>"ADVAIR® MDI</b> (Salmeterol xinafoate/ fluticasone propionate) Available in 125 &amp; 250 mcg per dose 2 puffs BID GlaxoSmithKline</p> <p><b>"ADVAIR® DISKUS"</b> Inhalation Device (Salmeterol xinafoate/ fluticasone propionate) Available in 100, 250 &amp; 500 mcg per dose 1 inhalation BID GlaxoSmithKline</p> <p><b>"SYMBICORT® TURBUHALER"</b> (Budesonide/ formoterol fumarate dihydrate) Available in 100 &amp; 200 mcg per dose AstraZeneca</p>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Controllers help prevent respiratory symptoms such as wheezing, coughing and shortness of breath.</li> <li>• Take your controller medication exactly as your doctor told you.</li> </ul>

RELIEVERS					
Short-Acting Bronchodilators					
 <p><b>"VENTOLIN® HFA</b> (Salbutamol sulfate) 100 mcg per dose GlaxoSmithKline</p>	 <p><b>"VENTOLIN® DISKUS"</b> Inhalation Device (Salbutamol sulfate) 200 mcg per dose GlaxoSmithKline</p>	 <p><b>"BRICANYL® TURBUHALER"</b> (Terbutaline sulfate) 0.5 mg per dose AstraZeneca</p>	 <p><b>"ATROVENT® HFA INHALATION AEROSOL</b> (Ipratropium bromide) 20 mcg per dose Boehringer Ingelheim</p>	 <p><b>"COMBIVENT® INHALATION AEROSOL</b> (Ipratropium bromide/ salbutamol sulfate) 20 mcg per dose Boehringer Ingelheim</p>	 <p><b>"AIROMIR® INHALATION AEROSOL</b> (Salbutamol sulfate) 100 mcg per dose 3M Pharmaceuticals</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relievers help relax the tight muscles around airways therefore opening them up and making it easier to breathe. These medications provide quick relief when an asthma attack occurs.</li> <li>• Relievers should only be taken when needed unless your Doctor tells you otherwise. More than 4 times per week could mean your asthma is getting worse and you should be reassessed by your Doctor.</li> </ul>					

# Seretide

## Seretide™ Accuhaler

Powder for inhalation

Each inhalation contains  
**Salmeterol (as xinafoate)**  
**Fluticasone propionate**

50 mcg  
100 mcg

1 Accuhaler for  
60 inhalations

100

 GSK  
GlaxoSmithKline



# Symbicort

NDC 0186-0370-20



## Symbicort® 160/4.5

budesonide 160 mcg/formoterol fumarate dihydrate 4.5 mcg

### INHALATION AEROSOL

**120** inhalations

### For Oral Inhalation only

Dispense with enclosed Medication Guide.

### Rx only

Mfd. for: AstraZeneca LP, Wilmington, DE 19850

By: AstraZeneca Dunkerque Production  
Dunkerque, France

AstraZeneca

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budesonide 160 mcg/formoterol fumarate dihydrate 4.5 mcg

### INHALATION AEROSOL

**120** inhalations

### INHALATION AEROSOL

Store at controlled room temperature  
20–25°C (68–77°F) [see USP].  
Store the inhaler with the mouthpiece down.  
Shake inhaler well for 5 seconds before using.  
Discard within three months after removing  
from foil pouch.

For oral inhalation with SYMBICORT inhaler only.

Use this device for SYMBICORT only.

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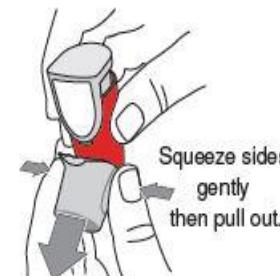
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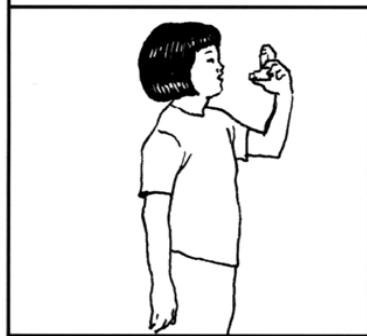
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Remember to breathe in slowly.



1. Take off the cap.  
Shake the inhaler.



2. Stand up.  
Breathe out.



3. Put the inhaler in your mouth  
or put it just in front of your  
mouth. As you start to  
breathe in, push down on  
the top of the inhaler and  
keep breathing in slowly.



4. Hold your breath for  
10 seconds.  
Breathe out.

# Aim for Asthma Control

Assess asthma severity at the first visit to determine initial treatment.

Assess and monitor asthma control at each follow-up visit and adjust treatment if needed.

Schedule follow-up visits at periodic intervals.

Use inhaled corticosteroids to control asthma.

Use written asthma action plans to guide patient self-management.

Control exposure to allergens and irritants that worsen the patient's asthma.

## STEP 1

**PREFERRED:**  
Rescue inhaler as needed

## STEP 2

**PREFERRED:**  
Low-dose inhaled corticosteroid plus a LABA

Rescue inhaler as needed

## STEP 3

**PREFERRED:**  
Low-dose inhaled corticosteroid plus a LABA

Rescue inhaler as needed

Consider seeing an asthma specialist

## STEP 4

**PREFERRED:**  
Medium-dose inhaled corticosteroid plus a LABA

Rescue inhaler as needed

See an asthma specialist

## STEP 5

**PREFERRED:**  
High-dose inhaled corticosteroid plus a LABA

AND

consider omalizumab

Rescue inhaler as needed

See an asthma specialist

## STEP 6

**PREFERRED:**

High-dose inhaled corticosteroid plus a LABA plus oral corticosteroid

AND

consider omalizumab

Rescue inhaler as needed

See an asthma specialist



# Asthma Management Continuum

## Children (6 years and over) and Adults

- Regularly Reassess**
- Control
  - Spirometry or PEF
  - Inhaler technique
  - Adherence
  - Triggers
  - Comorbidities

Adjust Therapy to Achieve and Maintain Control

Prednisone  
Anti-IgE<sup>†</sup>

≥12 yrs: Add LTRA

6-11 yrs: Add LABA or LTRA

≥12 yrs: Add LABA\*

6-11 yrs: Increase ICS

## Inhaled Corticosteroid (ICS)\*

\*Second-line: Leukotriene Receptor Antagonist (LTRA)

### Low Dose

≥12 yrs: ≤250 mcg/day<sup>†</sup>  
6-11 yrs: ≤200 mcg/day<sup>†</sup>

### Medium Dose

251 – 500 mcg/day<sup>†</sup>  
201 – 400 mcg/day<sup>†</sup>

### High Dose

>500 mcg/day<sup>†</sup>  
>400 mcg/day<sup>†</sup>

## Fast-acting Bronchodilator on Demand

## Environmental Control, Education and Written Action Plan

## Confirm Diagnosis

Controlled

Uncontrolled

<sup>†</sup>HFA Beclomethasone or equivalent; \*Second-line: LTRA; <sup>‡</sup>Approved for 12 years and over.

# STEP 1

Mild intermittent asthma

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# Salbutamol Terbutaline

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1. Add inhaled long-acting  $\beta_2$  agonist (LABA)
2. Assess control of asthma:
  - good response to LABA - continue LABA
  - benefit from LABA but control still inadequate - continue LABA and increase inhaled steroid dose to 800 mcg/day\* (if not already on this dose)
  - no response to LABA - stop LABA and increase inhaled steroid to 800 mcg/day.\* If control still inadequate, institute trial of other therapies: leukotriene receptor antagonist or SR theophylline

## STEP 3

Initial add-on therapy

MOVE UP TO IMPROVE CONTROL AS NEEDED

Consider trials of:

- increasing inhaled steroid up to 2000 mcg/day\*
- addition of a fourth drug e.g. leukotriene receptor antagonist, SR theophylline,  $\beta_2$  agonist tablet

## STEP 4

Persistent poor control

Use daily steroid tablet in lowest dose providing adequate control

Maintain high dose inhaled steroid at 2000 mcg/day\*

Consider other treatments to minimise the use of steroid tablets

Refer patient for specialist care

## STEP 5

Continuous or frequent use of oral steroids

SYMPTOMS

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TREATMENT

\* BDP or equivalent

**Patients should stop smoking if initial severity of diagnosis is moderate or severe.**

Add inhaled steroid 200-800 mcg/day\*

400 mcg is an appropriate starting dose for many patients

**Start at dose of inhaled steroid appropriate to severity of disease.**

Inhaled short-acting agonist as required

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## STEP 1

### Mild intermittent

## STEP 2

### Regular preventer therapy

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Maintain high dose inhaled steroid at 2000 mcg/day\*

Consider other treatments to minimise the use of steroid tablets

Refer patient for specialist care

## STEP 5

Continuous or frequent use of oral steroids

#### • BDP or equivalent

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## TREATMENT

Patients should start treatment at the step most appropriate for the initial severity of their asthma. Check concordance and diagnosis if response to treatment is unexpectedly poor

MOVE DOWN TO FIND AND MAINTAIN CONTROL

Inhaled short-acting  $\beta_2$  agonist as required

Add inhaled steroid 20 mcg/day\*

400 mcg is an appropriate starting dose for many patients

Start at dose of inhaled steroid appropriate to severity of disease.

## STEP 2

Regular preventer therapy

## STEP 1

Mild intermittent asthma

1. Add inhaled long-acting  $\beta_2$  agonist (LABA)
2. Assess control of asthma:
  - good response to LABA - continue LABA
  - benefit from LABA but control still inadequate
    - continue LABA and increase inhaled steroid dose to 800 mcg/day\* (if not already on this dose)
    - no response to LABA
      - stop LABA and increase inhaled steroid to 800 mcg/day. If control still inadequate, institute trial of other therapies, leukotriene receptor antagonist or SR theophylline

## STEP 3

Initial add-on therapy

PROVE CONTROL AS NEEDED

Controlled steroid  
2000 mcg/day\*  
or other drug  
such as receptor  
antagonist or  
theophylline, etc

Use daily steroid tablet  
in lowest dose providing  
adequate control

Maintain high dose inhaled  
steroid at 2000 mcg/day\*

Consider other treatments to  
minimise the use of steroid  
tablets

Refer patient for specialist care

## STEP 5

Continuous or frequent  
use of oral steroids

## STEP 4

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Patients should start treatment at the step most appropriate to the initial severity of their asthma. Check concordance and reconsider diagnosis if response to treatment is unexpectedly poor.

MOVE DOWN TO FIND AND MAINTAIN LOWEST CONTROL

Inhaled short-acting  $\beta_2$  agonist as required

Add inhaled steroid 200-800 mcg/day\*

400 mcg is an appropriate starting dose for many patients

Start at dose of inhaled steroid appropriate to severity of disease.

## STEP 2

Regular preventer therapy

## STEP 1

Mild intermittent asthma

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Theophylline (Anhydrous)  
Extended-Release Tablets

400 mg

## STEP 5

Exacerbations or frequent use of oral steroids

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$\beta_2$  agonist tablet

## STEP 4

Persistent poor control

\* BDP or equivalent

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Patients should start treatment at the step most appropriate to the initial severity of their asthma. Check concordance and reconsider diagnosis if response to treatment is unexpectedly poor.

Use daily steroid tablet in lowest dose providing adequate control



Inhaled short-acting  $\beta_2$  agonist as required

Add inhaled steroid 200-600 mcg/day\*  
400 mcg is an appropriate starting dose for many patients

Start at dose of inhaled steroid appropriate to severity of disease.

## STEP 2

Regular preventer therapy

## STEP 1

Mild intermittent asthma

1. Add inhaled long-acting  $\beta_2$  agonist (LABA)
2. Assess control of asthma:
  - good response to LABA - continue LABA
  - benefit from LABA but control still inadequate
    - continue LABA and increase inhaled steroid dose to 600 mcg/day\* (if not already on this dose)
    - no response to LABA
      - stop LABA and increase inhaled steroid to 800 mcg/day.\* If control still inadequate, institute trial of other therapies, leukotriene receptor antagonist or SR theophylline

## STEP 3

Initial add-on therapy

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Maintain high dose inhaled steroid at 2000 mcg/day\*

Consider other treatments to minimise the use of steroid tablets

Refer patient for specialist care

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## STEP 5

Continuous or frequent use of oral steroids

Patients should start treatment at the step most appropriate to the initial severity of their asthma. Check concordance and reconsider diagnosis if response to treatment is unexpectedly poor.

## Inhaled short-acting $\beta_2$ agonist as required

MAINTAIN LOWEST CONTROLLING STEP

Inhaled steroid 200-400 mcg/day (other preventer or rescue inhaler). Inhaled steroid cannot be less than 200 mcg is an appropriate starting dose for patients.

Use of inhaled steroid appropriate to level of disease.

## STEP 1

Mild intermittent asthma

## STEP 2

preventer therapy

1. Add inhaled long-acting  $\beta_2$  agonist (LABA)
2. Assess control of asthma:
  - good response to LABA
    - continue LABA
  - benefit from LABA but control still inadequate
    - continue LABA and increase inhaled steroid dose to 400 mcg/day\* (if not already on this dose)
  - no response to LABA
    - stop LABA and increase inhaled steroid to 400 mcg/day. \*If control still inadequate, institute trial of other therapies, leukotriene receptor antagonist or SR theophylline

## STEP 3

Initial add-on therapy

Increase inhaled steroid up to 800 mcg/day\*

## STEP 4

Persistent poor control

Use daily steroid tab in lowest dose providing adequate control

Maintain high dose in steroid at 800 mcg/day

Refer to respiratory paediatrician

## STEP 5

Continuous or frequent use of oral steroids

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Patients should start treatment at the step most appropriate to the initial severity of their asthma. Check concordance and reconsider diagnosis if response to treatment is unexpectedly poor.

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Inhaled short-acting  $\beta_2$  agonist as required

## STEP 1

Mild intermittent asthma

Add inhaled steroid 200-400 mcg/day\* (other preventer drug if inhaled steroid cannot be used) 200 mcg is an appropriate starting dose for many patients

Start at dose of inhaled steroid appropriate to severity of disease.

## STEP 2

Regular preventer therapy

MOVE UP TO IMPROVE CONTROL AS NEEDED

Increase inhaled steroid up to 800 mcg/day\*

## STEP 4

Persistent poor control

TREATMENT

Use daily steroid tablet in lowest dose providing adequate control

Maintain high dose inhaled steroid at 800 mcg/day\*

Refer to respiratory paediatrician

## STEP 5

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MOVE UP TO IMPROVE CONTROL AS NEEDED

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Inhaled short-acting  $\beta_2$  agonist as required

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## STEP 1

Mild intermittent asthma

## STEP 2

Regular preventer

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2. Assess control of asthma:
  - good response to LABA
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  - benefit from LABA but control still inadequate
    - continue LABA and increase inhaled steroid dose to 400 mcg/day\* (if not already on this dose)
  - no response to LABA
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Refer to respiratory paediatrician

## STEP 5

Continuous or frequent use of oral steroid

## STEP 4

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## STEP 3

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Patients should start treatment at the step most appropriate to the initial severity of their asthma. Check concordance and reconsider diagnosis if response to treatment is unexpectedly poor.

MOVE DOWN TO FIND AND MAINTAIN LOWEST CONTROLLING

Inhaled short-acting  $\beta_2$  agonist as required

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## STEP 2

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Start at dose of inhaled steroid appropriate to severity of disease.

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2. Assess control of asthma:
  - good response to LABA
    - continue LABA
  - benefit from LABA
    - control still inadequate
      - continue LABA
      - increase inhaled steroid dose to 400 mcg/day if not already on this dose
    - no response to LABA
      - stop LABA and increase inhaled steroid to 400 mcg/day. \*If control still inadequate, initiate trial of other therapy: leukotriene receptor antagonist or SR theophylline

## STEP 3

Initial add-on therapy

## STEP 4

Persistent poor control

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Mild intermittent asthma

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Regular preventer therapy

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  - no response to LABA
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## STEP 3

Initial add-on therapy

## STEP 4

Persistent poor control

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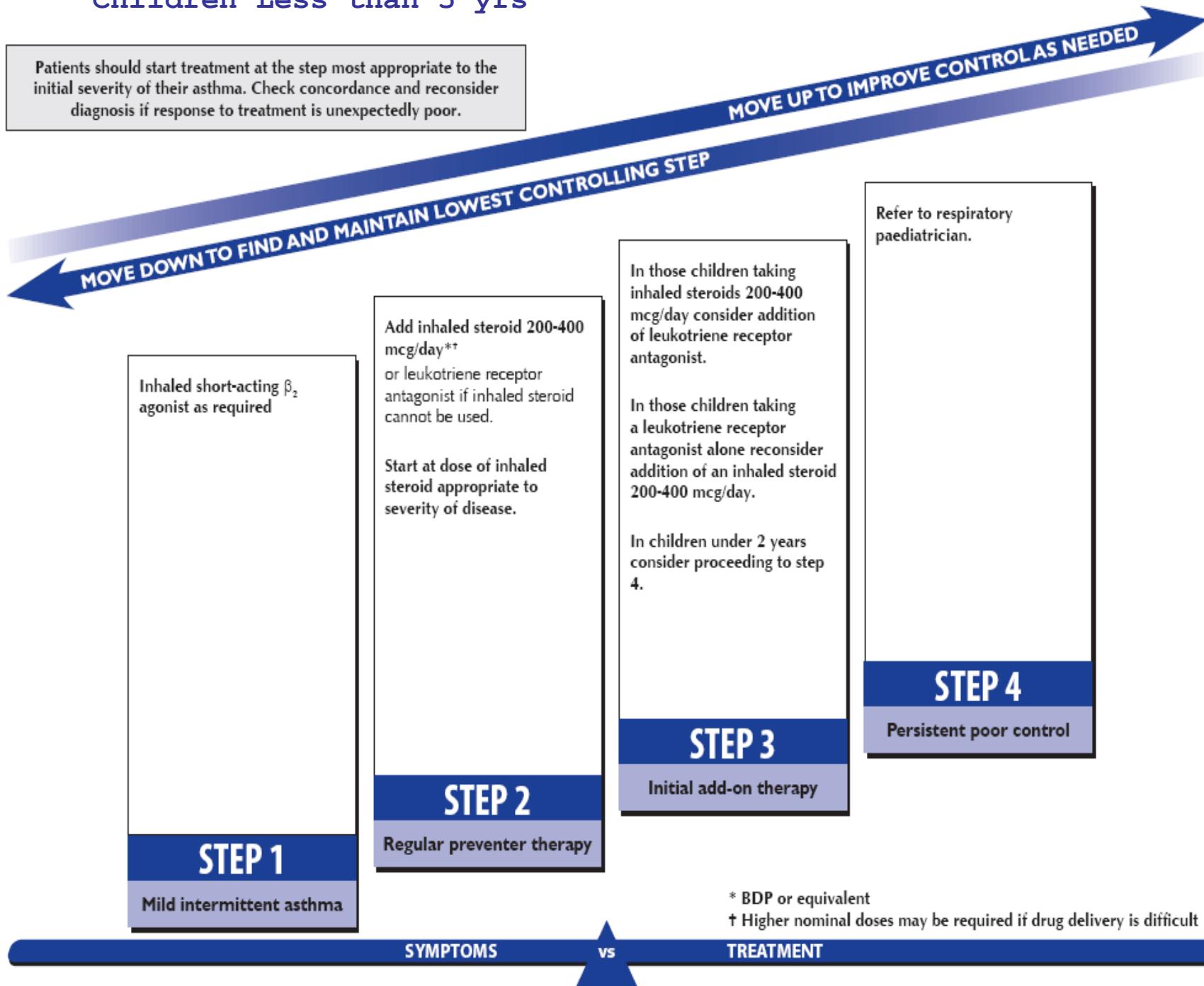
Refer to respiratory paediatrician

## STEP 5

Continuous or frequent use of oral steroids

# Children Less than 5 yrs

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### Inhaled short-acting B2 agonist as required

## STEP 1

Mild intermittent asthma

## STEP 2

Regular preventer therapy

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## IN LOWEST CONTROLLING STEP

Inhaled steroid 200-400 mcg/day\*\* leukotriene receptor agonist if inhaled steroid not be used.

Start at dose of inhaled steroid appropriate to severity of disease.

In those children taking inhaled steroids 200-400 mcg/day consider addition of leukotriene receptor antagonist.

In those children taking a leukotriene receptor antagonist alone reconsider addition of an inhaled steroid 200-400 mcg/day.

In children under 2 years consider proceeding to step 4.

## STEP 3

Initial add-on therapy

\* BDP or equivalent

† Higher nominal doses may be required if drug delivery is difficult

MOVE UP TO IMPROVE CONTROL AS NEEDED

Refer to respiratory paediatrician.

## STEP 4

Persistent poor control

Patients should start treatment at the step initial severity of their asthma. Check con diagnosis if response to treatment is

MOVE DOWN TO FIND AND

Inhaled short-acting  $\beta_2$  agonist as required

## Add inhaled steroid With minimum effective dose

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## Leukotriene receptor antagonist

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### Mild intermittent asthma

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MOVE DOWN TO FIND AND MAINTAIN

Inhaled short-acting  $\beta_2$  agonist as required

Add inhaled corticosteroid as required or leukotriene receptor antagonist as required

Start a higher dose of inhaled steroid if severe symptoms

## STEP 1

Mild intermittent asthma

Inhaled steroid  
+  
Leukotriene  
receptor  
antagonist

Or

Increase the  
dose of inhaled  
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Regular use of inhaled corticosteroid

## STEP 3

Initial add-on therapy

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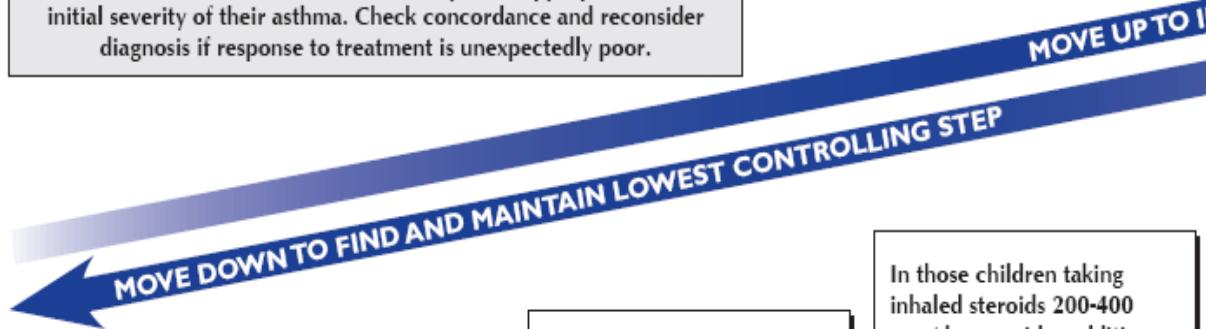
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Or consider oral corticosteroids if drug delivery is difficult

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Mild intermittent asthma

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Start at dose of inhaled steroid appropriate to severity of disease.

### STEP 2

Regular preventer therapy

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Refer to respiratory paediatrician

## Intermittent Asthma

## Persistent Asthma: Daily Medication

Consult with asthma specialist if step 4 care or higher is required.  
Consider consultation at step 3.



### Step 1

*Preferred:*  
SABA PRN

### Step 2

*Preferred:*  
Low-dose ICS  
*Alternative:*  
Cromolyn, LTRA,  
Nedocromil, or  
Theophylline

### Step 3

*Preferred:*  
Low-dose ICS + LABA  
OR  
Medium-dose ICS  
*Alternative:*  
Low-dose ICS +  
either LTRA,  
Theophylline, or  
Zileuton

### Step 4

*Preferred:*  
Medium-dose ICS  
+ LABA  
*Alternative:*  
Medium-dose ICS  
+ either LTRA,  
Theophylline, or  
Zileuton

### Step 5

*Preferred:*  
High-dose ICS + LABA  
AND  
Consider Omalizumab for patients who have allergies

### Step 6

*Preferred:*  
High-dose ICS + LABA + oral corticosteroid  
AND  
Consider Omalizumab for patients who have allergies

**Step up if needed**  
(first, check adherence, environmental control, and comorbid conditions)

### Assess control

**Step down if possible**  
(and asthma is well controlled at least 3 months)

Each step: Patient education, environmental control, and management of comorbidities.

Steps 2–4: Consider subcutaneous allergen immunotherapy for patients who have allergic asthma (see notes).

#### Quick-Relief Medication for All Patients

- SABA as needed for symptoms. Intensity of treatment depends on severity of symptoms: up to 3 treatments at 20-minute intervals as needed. Short course of oral systemic corticosteroids may be needed.
- Use of SABA >2 days a week for symptom relief (not prevention of EIB) generally indicates inadequate control and the need to step up treatment.



Key: **Alphabetical order is used when more than one treatment option is listed within either preferred or alternative therapy.** EIB, exercise-induced bronchospasm; ICS, inhaled corticosteroid; LABA, long-acting inhaled beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist; LTRA, leukotriene receptor antagonist; SABA, inhaled short-acting beta<sub>2</sub>-agonist

# GINA assessment of symptom control



## A. Symptom control

In the past 4 weeks, has the patient had:

- Daytime asthma symptoms more than twice a week?
- Any night waking due to asthma?
- Reliever needed for symptoms\* more than twice a week?
- Any activity limitation due to asthma?

## Level of asthma symptom control

**Well-controlled**      **Partly controlled**      **Uncontrolled**

Yes  No

Yes  No

Yes  No

Yes  No

None of these

1-2 of these

3-4 of these

## B. Risk factors for poor asthma outcomes

- Assess risk factors at diagnosis and periodically
- Measure FEV<sub>1</sub> at start of treatment, after 3 to 6 months of treatment to record the patient's personal best, then periodically for ongoing risk assessment

## ASSESS PATIENT'S RISKS FOR:

- Exacerbations
- Fixed airflow limitation
- Medication side-effects

# Plan Aksyon Massachusetts Pou Maladi Opresyon

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Enpòtan! Evite tout sa ki ka fè opresyon w lan vin pl mal:		

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**VÈT** se Zòn kote nou avanse!  
Sèvi ak medikaman Kontwòl la.

**JÖN** se Zòn Prekosyon!  
Ajoute medikaman ki soulaje rapidman.

**WOUJ** se Zòn Danje!  
Chèche èd yon doktè.

Pi gwo vitès ou pouse lè sot nan poumon w: \_\_\_\_\_

## PASE ANNAKSYON — Se trè byen!

Ou gen tout sa yo:

- Ou respire byen
- Ou pa touse osnon ou pa gen pwoblèm pou ou respire
- Ou dòmi tout nannuit
- Ou kapab ale lekòl epi jwe

Sèvi ak medikaman ki kontwòl chak jou yo:			
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## ATANSYON — Fè yon ralantil

Ou gen nenpòt nan sa yo:

- Premye sentòm grip yo
- Sitiyasyon ki ka deklannche maladi a
- Tous
- Respirasyon difisil men ki pa grav
- Pwatrin sere
- Tous, respirasyon ak nen bouche osnon difikilite pou respire nannuit

Kontinye pran medikaman ki nan zòn vèt la epi ajoute:			
Vitès ou pouse lè ant	MEDIKAMAN/WOUT	KANTITE	KONBYEN FWA/KILÈ
ak			

RELE DOKTÈ/ENFIMYÈ W: \_\_\_\_\_

## DANJE — Chèche èd!

Opresyon w lan ap anpire vit:

- Medikaman pa bay bon rezulta
- Respirasyon difisil, respirasyon rapid
- Twou nen w louvri byen gran
- Zo kòt ou parèt
- Ou pa ka pale byen

Pran medikaman sa yo epi rele doktè w koulye a.			
Vitès ou pouse lè ant	MEDIKAMAN/WOUT	KANTITE	KONBYEN FWA/KILÈ
ak			

CHÈCHE ÈD YON DOKTÈ KOULYE A! Pa pè fè bri. Doktè w pral bezwen wè w sanpèdi tan. Pa blyiyel Si w pa ka kontakte doktè w, ale toudwat nan saldijans epi mache ak fòm sa a. PA RETE TANN.

Pran yon randevou pou ou wè doktè/enfimyè w sou de (2) jou aprè vizit ou nan saldijans lan oswa apre ou fin al lopital.

Doktè/NP/Pa siyent: \_\_\_\_\_ DAT: \_\_\_\_\_

Mwen bay pèmisyon pou enfimyè lekòl, doktè/NP/PA pitit mwen osnon \_\_\_\_\_  
pataje enfòmasyon osijè ka opresyon pitit mwen.

Paran/Gadyen siyent: \_\_\_\_\_ DAT: \_\_\_\_\_

— WÈ DO PAJ KOPI BACK OF SCHOOL LA POU JWENN OTORIZASYON BAY ELÈV YO MEDIKAMAN —

# أعراض الربو الوعي

- سعال جاف متقطع.
- تسرّع تنفس وتسريع قلب.
- شحوب أو ازرقّاق.
- صدر مفرط الانفاس.
- عسر تنفس حتى أثناء الراحة.
- عدم القدرة على اتمام جملة كاملة
- قد يصبح الصدر صامتاً مع الانسداد الوعي جداً.
- أقل من 50% من القيم الطبيعية المتوقعة .  
• يتناقص إشباع الأكسجين الشرياني .
- قد يحدث حماماً استقلابياً وانخفاضاً في الضغط الجزيئي للأكسجين.

# Assessment and management of acute asthma in adults in general practice

Moderate asthma	Acute severe asthma	Life threatening asthma
INITIAL ASSESSMENT		
PEF >50% best or predicted	PEF 33-50% best or predicted	PEF <33% best or predicted
FURTHER ASSESSMENT		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speech normal</li> <li>• Respiration &lt;25 breaths/min</li> <li>• Pulse &lt;110 beats/min</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cannot complete sentences</li> <li>• Respiration <math>\geq</math>25 breaths/min</li> <li>• Pulse <math>\geq</math>110 beats/min</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>\text{SpO}_2 &lt;92\%</math></li> <li>• Silent chest, cyanosis, or poor respiratory effort</li> <li>• Bradycardia, dysrhythmia or hypotension</li> <li>• Exhaustion, confusion or coma</li> </ul>

**Caution:** Patients with severe or life threatening attacks may not be distressed and may not have all the abnormalities listed. The presence of any should alert the doctor.

# Management of acute severe asthma in adults in A&E

