

천식관리의 진화

천식 조절(control)에서 관해(remission)까지

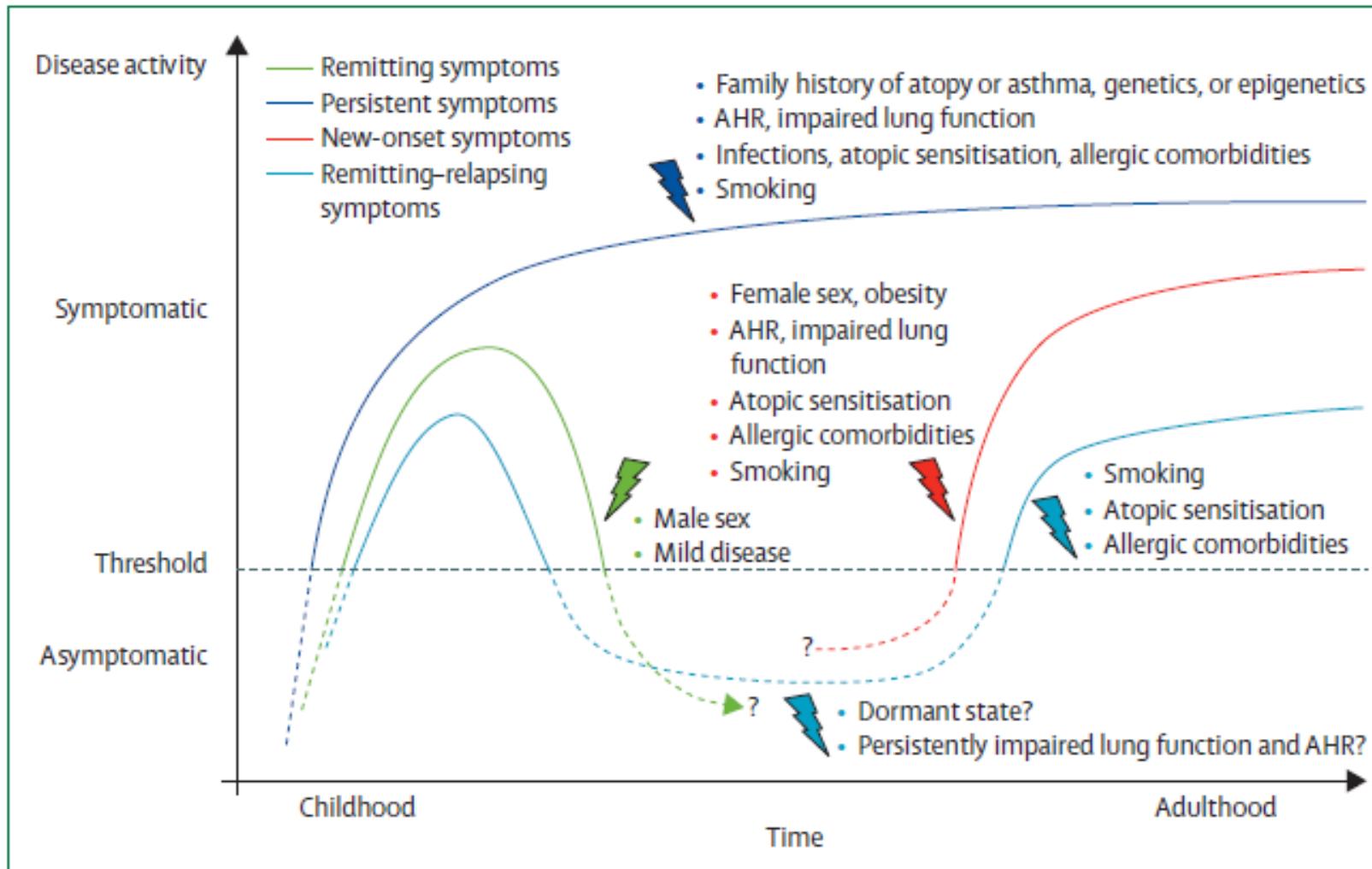
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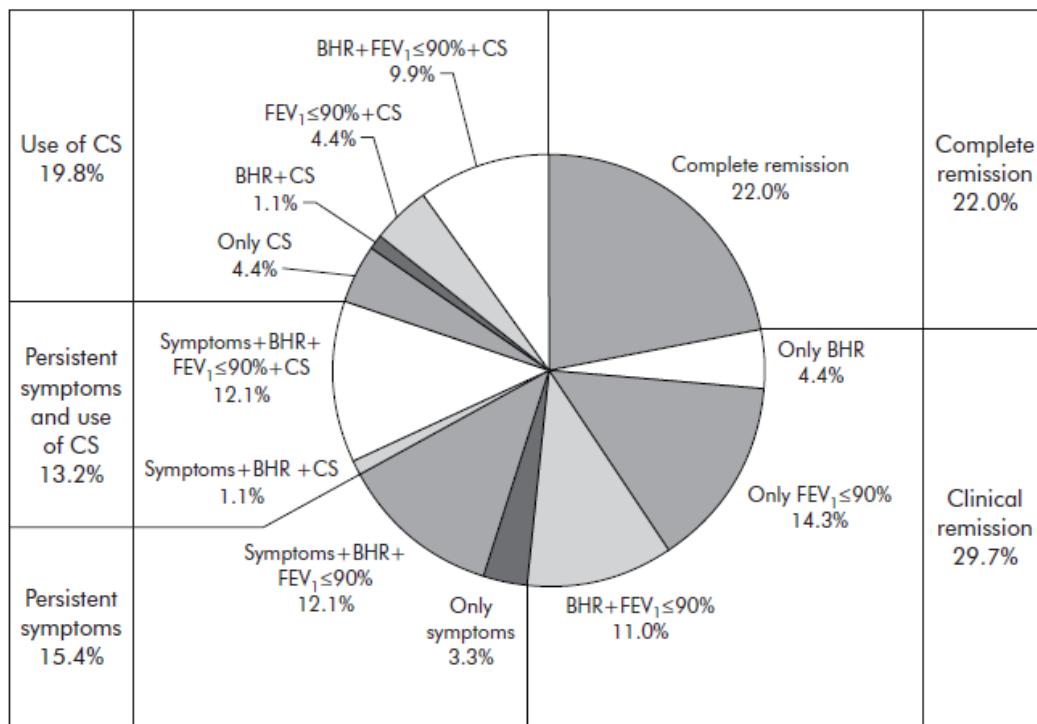
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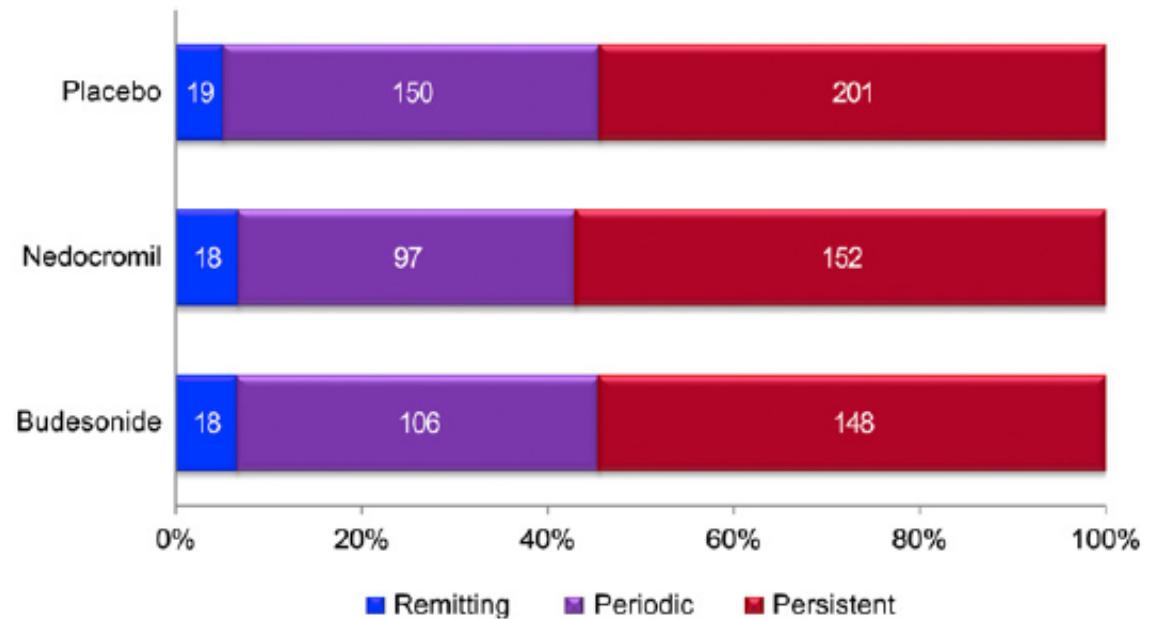
Determinants of disease course across asthma transition and ages



Childhood factors associated with asthma remission



The Childhood Asthma Management Program (CAMP)



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Figure 5-6. Classification of Asthma Severity by Clinical Features Before Treatment

STEP 1: Intermittent	
Symptoms less than once a week	
Brief exacerbations	
Nocturnal symptoms not more than twice a month	
• FEV ₁ or PEF \geq 80% predicted	
• PEF or FEV ₁ variability < 20%	
STEP 2: Mild Persistent	
Symptoms more than once a week but less than once a day	
Exacerbations may affect activity and sleep	
Nocturnal symptoms more than twice a month	
• FEV ₁ or PEF \geq 80% predicted	
• PEF or FEV ₁ variability 20-30%	
STEP 3: Moderate Persistent	
Symptoms daily	
Exacerbations may affect activity and sleep	
Nocturnal symptoms more than once a week	
Daily use of inhaled short-acting β_2 -agonist	
• FEV ₁ or PEF 60-80% predicted	
• PEF or FEV ₁ variability > 30%	
STEP 4: Severe Persistent	
Symptoms daily	
Frequent exacerbations	
Frequent nocturnal asthma symptoms	
Limitation of physical activities	
• FEV ₁ or PEF \leq 60% predicted	
• PEF or FEV ₁ variability > 30%	

Figure 7-5. Recommended Medications by Level of Severity: Adults and Children Older Than 5 Years of Age

All Levels: In addition to regular daily controller therapy, rapid-acting inhaled β_2 -agonist* should be taken as needed to relieve symptoms, but should not be taken more than 3 to 4 times a day. Patient education is essential at every level.		
Level of Severity**	Daily Controller Medications	Other Treatment Options***
Step 1 Intermittent Asthma****	• None necessary	
Step 2 Mild Persistent Asthma	• Low-dose inhaled glucocorticosteroid	• Sustained-release theophylline, or • Cromone, or • Leukotriene modifier
Step 3 Moderate Persistent Asthma	• Low-to-medium inhaled glucocorticosteroid <i>plus</i> long-acting inhaled β_2 -agonist	• Medium-dose Inhaled glucocorticosteroid <i>plus</i> sustained-release theophylline, or • Medium-dose Inhaled glucocorticosteroid <i>plus</i> long-acting oral β_2 -agonist, or • High-dose inhaled glucocorticosteroid or • Medium-dose Inhaled glucocorticosteroid <i>plus</i> leukotriene modifier
Step 4 Severe Persistent Asthma	• High-dose Inhaled glucocorticosteroid <i>plus</i> long-acting inhaled β_2 -agonist, <i>plus</i> one or more of the following, if needed: • Sustained-release theophylline • Leukotriene modifier • Long-acting oral β_2 -agonist • Oral glucocorticosteroid • Anti-IgE*****	
All Levels: Once control of asthma is achieved and maintained for at least 3 months, a gradual reduction of the maintenance therapy should be tried in order to identify the minimum therapy required to maintain control.		

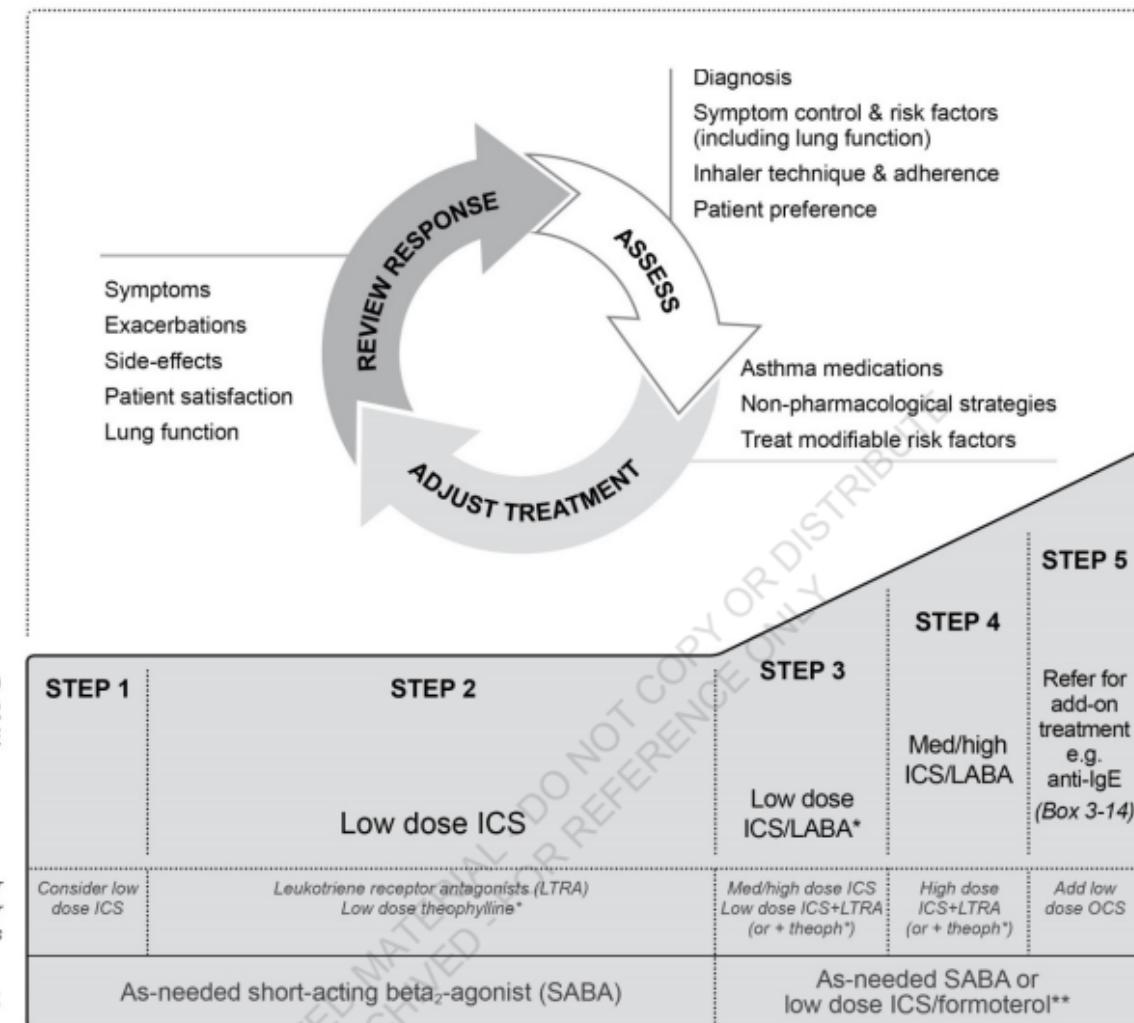
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LONG-TERM GOALS OF ASTHMA MANAGEMENT

The long-term goals of asthma management are:

- To achieve good control of symptoms and maintain normal activity levels
- To minimize future risk of exacerbations, fixed airflow limitation and side-effects.

A. Asthma symptom control			
Level of asthma symptom control			
In the past 4 weeks, has the patient had:	Well controlled	Partly controlled	Uncontrolled
• Daytime asthma symptoms more than twice/week? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			
• Any night waking due to asthma? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	None of these	1–2 of these	3–4 of these
• Reliever needed for symptoms* more than twice/week? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			
• Any activity limitation due to asthma? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			
B. Risk factors for poor asthma outcomes			
Assess risk factors at diagnosis and periodically, particularly for patients experiencing exacerbations.			
Measure FEV ₁ at start of treatment, after 3–6 months of controller treatment to record the patient's personal best lung function, then periodically for ongoing risk assessment.			
Potentially modifiable independent risk factors for flare-ups (exacerbations)			
• Uncontrolled asthma symptoms ⁶⁸	Having one or more of these risk factors increases the risk of exacerbations even if symptoms are well controlled.		
• Excessive SABA use (>1 x 200-dose canister/month) ⁶⁹			
• Inadequate ICS: not prescribed ICS; poor adherence; ⁷⁰ incorrect inhaler technique ⁷¹			
• Low FEV ₁ , especially if <60% predicted ^{72,73}			
• Major psychological or socioeconomic problems ⁷⁴			
• Exposures: smoking; ⁷³ allergen exposure if sensitized ⁷³			
• Comorbidities: obesity; ⁷⁵ rhinosinusitis; ⁷⁶ confirmed food allergy ⁷⁷			
• Sputum or blood eosinophilia ^{78,79}			
• Pregnancy ⁸⁰			
Other major independent risk factors for flare-ups (exacerbations)			
• Ever intubated or in intensive care unit for asthma ⁸¹			
• ≥1 severe exacerbation in last 12 months ⁸²			
Risk factors for developing fixed airflow limitation			
• Lack of ICS treatment ⁸³			
• Exposures: tobacco smoke; ⁸⁴ noxious chemicals; occupational exposures ²⁸			
• Low initial FEV ₁ ; ⁸⁵ chronic mucus hypersecretion; ^{84,85} sputum or blood eosinophilia ⁸⁵			
Risk factors for medication side-effects			
• <i>Systemic</i> : frequent OCS; long-term, high dose and/or potent ICS; also taking P450 inhibitors ⁸⁶			
• <i>Local</i> : high-dose or potent ICS; ^{86,87} poor inhaler technique ⁸⁸			



A reminder – the key change in GINA 2019



EDITORIAL
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GINA 2019: a fundamental change in asthma management

Treatment of asthma with short-acting bronchodilators alone is no longer recommended for adults and adolescents

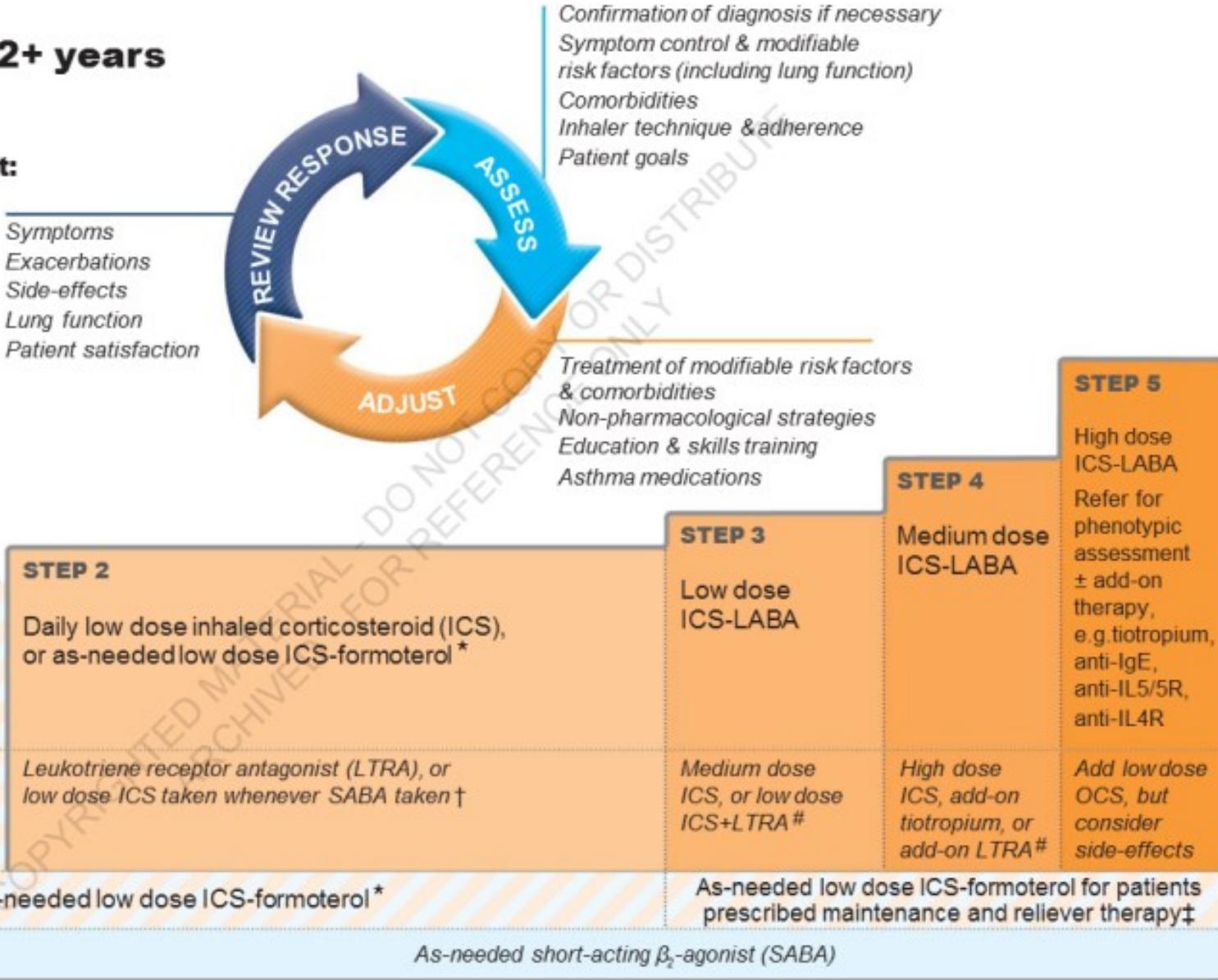
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Adults & adolescents 12+ years

Personalized asthma management:

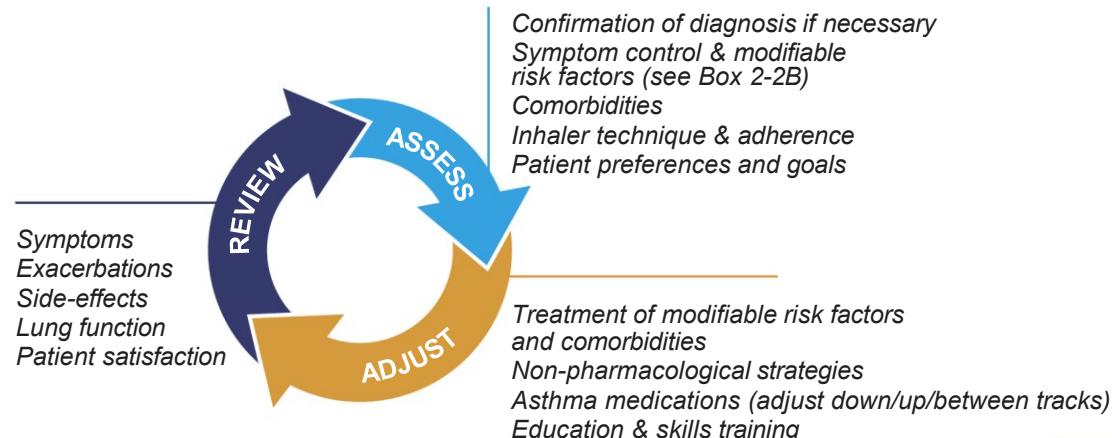
Assess, Adjust, Review response



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Personalized asthma management

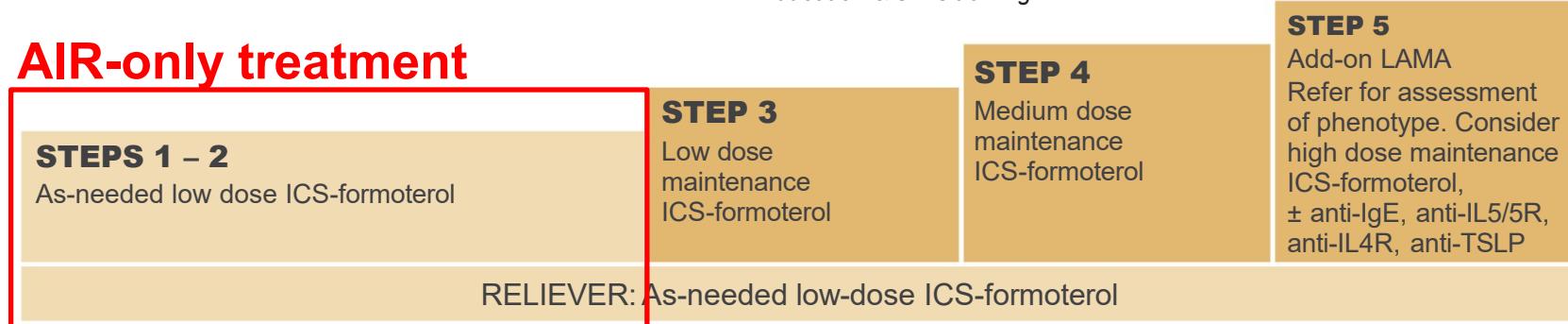
Assess, Adjust, Review
for individual patient needs



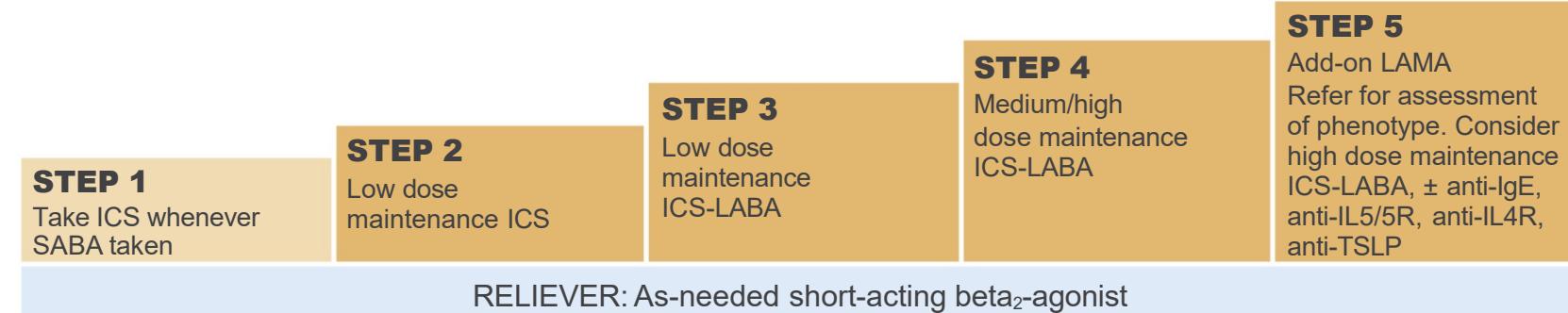
AIR-only treatment

CONTROLLER and **PREFERRED RELIEVER**
(Track 1). Using ICS-formoterol as reliever reduces the risk of exacerbations compared with using a SABA reliever

CONTROLLER and **ALTERNATIVE RELIEVER**
(Track 2). Before considering a regimen with SABA reliever, check if the patient is likely to be adherent with daily controller



See GINA severe asthma guide



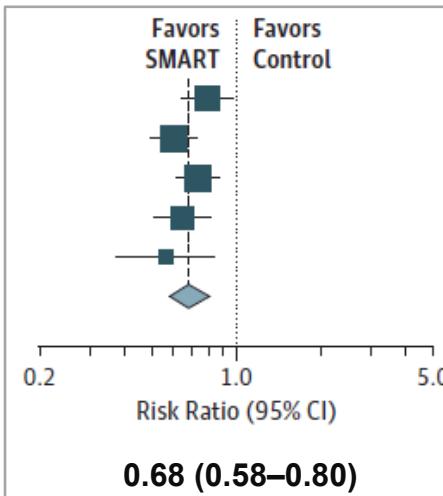
Other controller options for either track (limited indications, or less evidence for efficacy or safety)

	Low dose ICS whenever SABA taken, or daily LTRA, or add HDM SLIT	Medium dose ICS, or add LTRA, or add HDM SLIT	Add LAMA or LTRA or HDM SLIT, or switch to high dose ICS	Add azithromycin (adults) or LTRA. As last resort consider adding low dose OCS but consider side-effects
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Track 1, Steps 3–5: Maintenance and reliever therapy (MART)

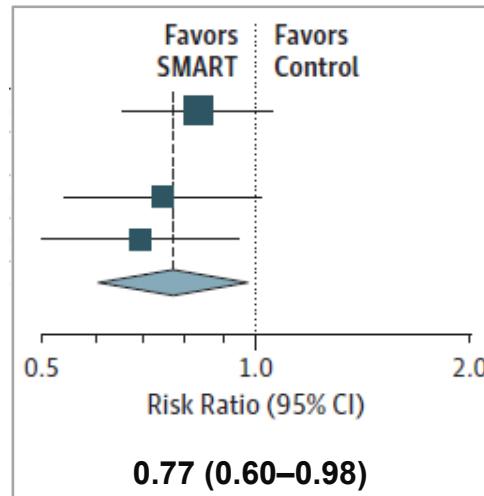


- MART with ICS-formoterol reduces severe exacerbations compared with ICS or ICS-LABA plus SABA reliever, with similar symptom control
 - Confirmed by regulatory studies and pragmatic open-label studies, n~30,000
- Both budesonide and formoterol contribute to the reduction in severe exacerbations

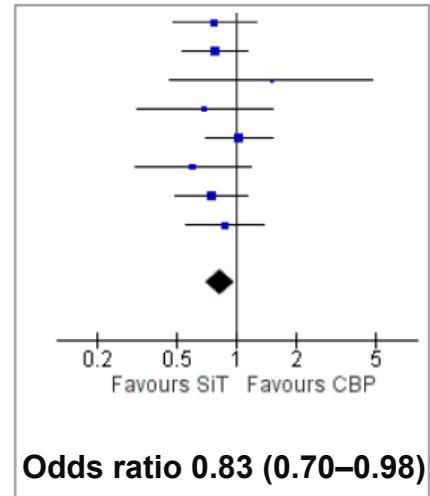


Compared with same dose ICS-LABA +SABA

Sobieraj et al,
JAMA 2018
(n=22,748)

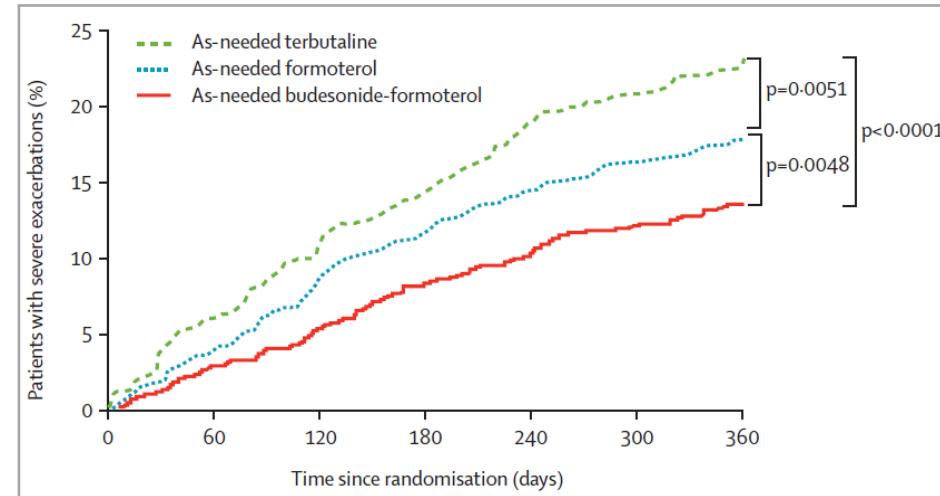


Compared with higher dose ICS-LABA + SABA



Compared with conventional best practice

Cates et al,
Cochrane 2013
(n=4,433)



Compared with formoterol or SABA reliever

Rabe, Lancet 2006
N=3,395, all taking maintenance budesonide-formoterol

Track 2, Steps 3–5: as-needed ICS-SABA added to maintenance treatment



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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

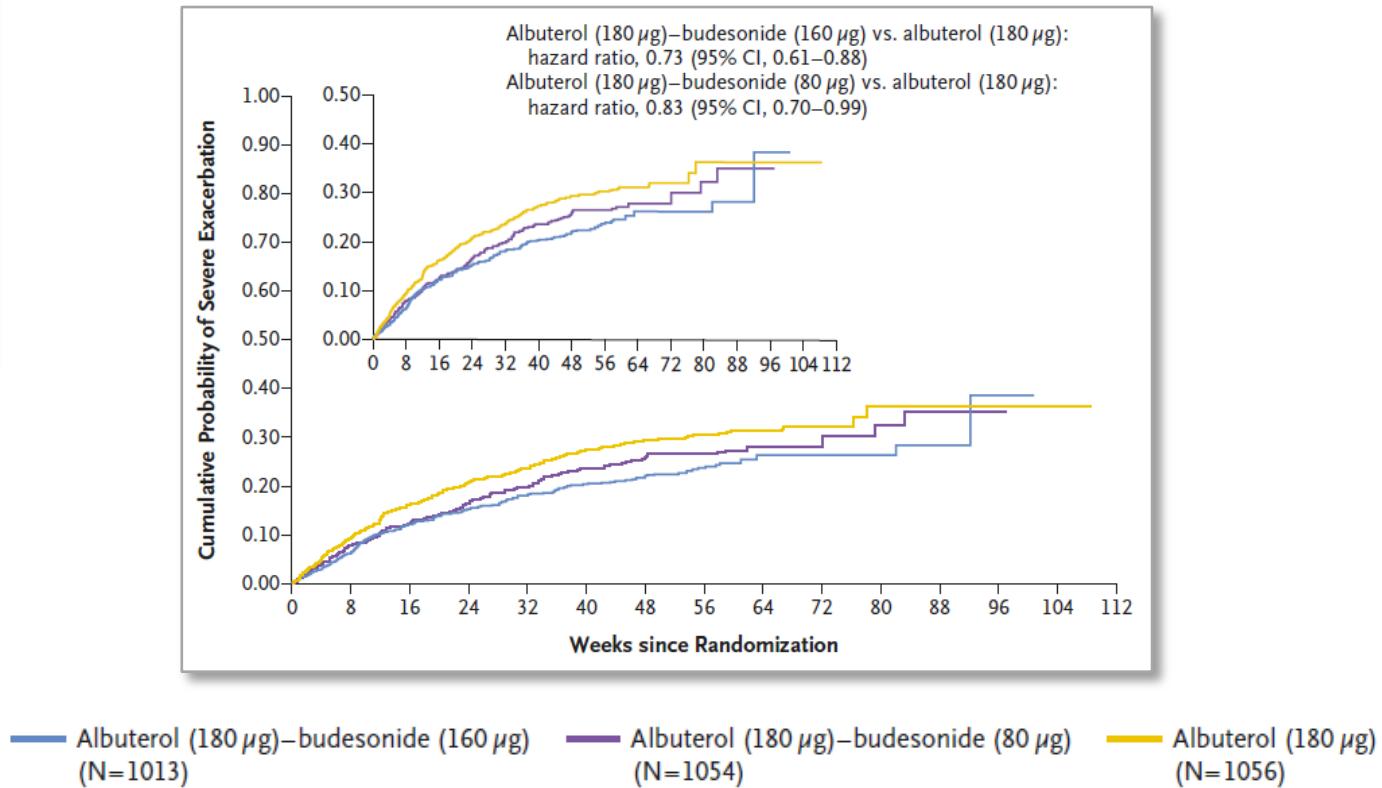
Albuterol–Budesonide Fixed-Dose Combination Rescue Inhaler for Asthma

Alberto Papi, M.D., Bradley E. Chipps, M.D., Richard Beasley, D.Sc., Reynold A. Panettieri, Jr., M.D., Elliot Israel, M.D., Mark Cooper, M.Sc., Lynn Dunsire, M.Sc., Allison Jeynes-Ellis, M.D., Eva Johnsson, M.D., Robert Rees, Ph.D., Christy Cappelletti, Pharm.D., and Frank C. Albers, M.D.

Papi et al, NEJM 2022 (n=3,132)

In patients taking Step 3–5 maintenance treatment:

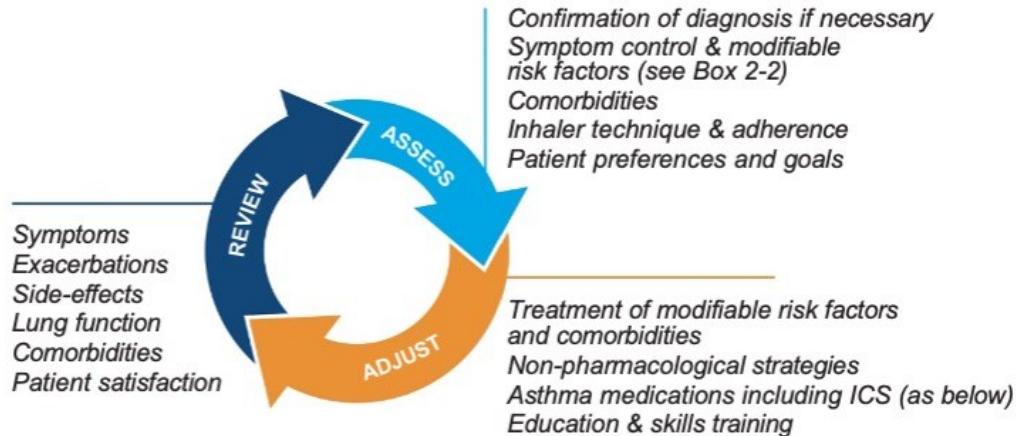
- Hazard ratio for probability of severe exacerbations was 0.73 (95% CI 0.61–0.88) with higher dose of as-needed albuterol-budesonide compared with as-needed albuterol
- Most benefit seen in Step 3



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Personalized asthma management Assess, Adjust, Review for individual patient needs



TRACK 1: PREFERRED CONTROLLER and RELIEVER

Using ICS-formoterol as the reliever* reduces the risk of exacerbations compared with using a SABA reliever, and is a simpler regimen

STEPS 1 – 2

As-needed-only low dose ICS-formoterol

STEP 3

Low dose maintenance ICS-formoterol

STEP 4

Medium dose maintenance ICS-formoterol

STEP 5

Add-on LAMA
Refer for assessment of phenotype. Consider high dose maintenance ICS-formoterol, \pm anti-IgE, anti-IL5/5R, anti-IL4R α , anti-TSLP

RELIEVER: As-needed low-dose ICS-formoterol*

TRACK 2: Alternative CONTROLLER and RELIEVER

Before considering a regimen with SABA reliever, check if the patient is likely to adhere to daily controller treatment

STEP 1

Take ICS whenever SABA taken*

STEP 2

Low dose maintenance ICS

STEP 3

Low dose maintenance ICS-LABA

STEP 4

Medium/high dose maintenance ICS-LABA

STEP 5

Add-on LAMA
Refer for assessment of phenotype. Consider high dose maintenance ICS-LABA, \pm anti-IgE, anti-IL5/5R, anti-IL4R α , anti-TSLP

RELIEVER: As-needed ICS-SABA*, or as-needed SABA

Other controller options (limited indications, or less evidence for efficacy or safety – see text)

Low dose ICS whenever SABA taken*, or daily LTRA \dagger , or add HDM SLIT

Medium dose ICS, or add LTRA \dagger , or add HDM SLIT

Add LAMA or add LTRA \dagger or add HDM SLIT, or switch to high dose ICS-only

Add azithromycin (adults) or add LTRA \dagger . As last resort consider adding low dose OCS but consider side-effects

*Anti-inflammatory reliever; \dagger advise about risk of neuropsychiatric adverse effects

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asthma guide

Remission of asthma

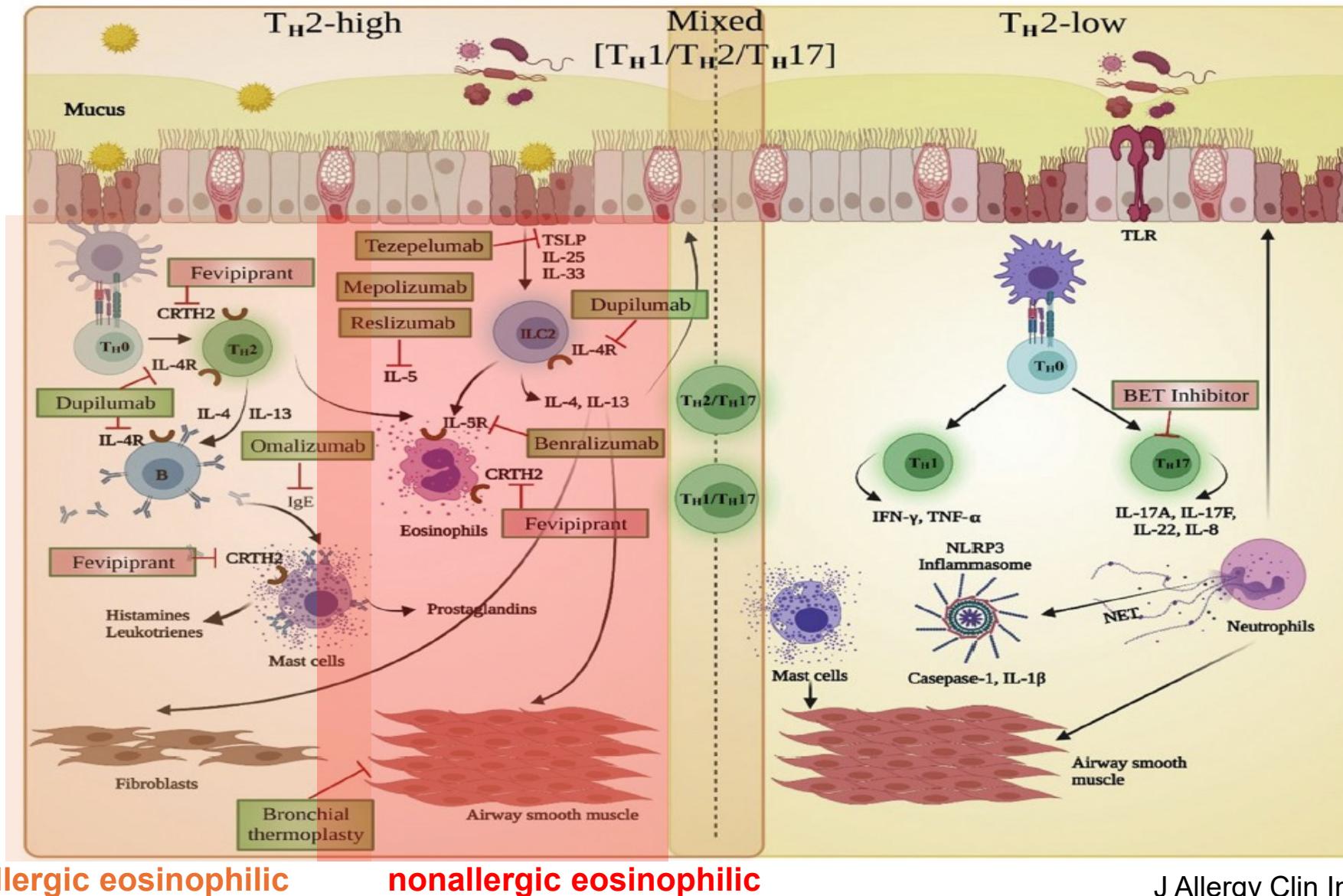


- Children vs adults
- Clinical vs complete remission
- “Off treatment” vs “on treatment”
- Multiple definitions, operationalized in many ways
 - Often assessed over only 12 months
 - “No exacerbations” and “no maintenance OCS” assessed from electronic medical record or patient interview
 - “No symptoms over 12 months” often assessed from Asthma Control Questionnaire (i.e. the last 7 days!)
- No validated tools for assessment of symptoms over periods longer than 4 weeks

Remission of asthma

- Remission from childhood wheezing or asthma, off treatment
 - Parents/caregivers often ask if their child will 'grow out of their asthma'
 - Rates vary depending on population and age, e.g. 59% at age 6, 15% at age 26
 - Asthma often recurs: remission is not cure, and patients may develop persistent airflow limitation
 - Say to parent/caregiver 'Their asthma has gone quiet for a while'
- Remission in adults, on treatment
 - Current reports are mostly for patients with severe asthma treated with biologic therapy
 - Remission also seen in non-severe asthma with ICS-containing treatment, and sometimes spontaneously
 - Research needed to identify pathways in patients who have ongoing respiratory symptoms, e.g. multimorbidity, anxiety and/or depression, moderate or severe persistent airflow limitation
- Evidence about goal-setting tells us that treatment goals for patients should be personalized and achievable
- Avoid encouraging automatic step-up of therapy
 - Treat comorbidities and modifiable risk factors first (including poor inhaler technique and poor adherence); use non-pharmacologic strategies; if high-dose ICS or ICS-LABA is used, limit to 3–6 months whenever possible
 - Use GINA Track 1 regimen to reduce exacerbations using *lower* ICS doses

Pathophysiological mechanisms involved in T_H2-high and T_H2-low severe asthma and the molecular targets



Summary of biologics targeting T2–high phenotype

	Mechanism of Action	Indication	Dosing and Route	Adverse Effects
Omalizumab	Anti-IgE; prevents IgE from binding to its receptor on mast cells and basophils	≥6 yr old with moderate to severe persistent asthma, positive allergy testing, incomplete control with an ICS, and IgE elevation	0.016 mg/kg per IU of IgE administered every 2–4 wk s.c.	Black box warning: 0.1–0.2% risk of anaphylaxis in clinical trials
Mepolizumab	Anti–IL-5; binds to IL-5 ligand; prevents IL-5 from binding to its receptor	≥12 yr old with severe eosinophilic asthma AEC≥150–300 cells/ml	100 mg s.c. every 4 wk	Rarely causes hypersensitivity reactions; can cause activation of zoster
Reslizumab	Anti–IL-5; binds to IL-5 ligand; prevents IL-5 from binding to its receptor	≥18 yr old with severe eosinophilic asthma AEC≥400 cells/ml	Weight-based dosing of 3 mg/kg i.v. every 4 wk	Black box warning: ~0.3% risk of anaphylaxis in clinical trials
Benralizumab	Anti–IL-5; binds to IL-5 receptor α ; causes apoptosis of eosinophils and basophils	≥12 yr old with severe eosinophilic asthma AEC≥300 cells/ml	30 mg s.c. every 4 wk for three doses; followed by every 8 wk subsequently	Rarely causes hypersensitivity reactions
Dupilumab	Anti–IL-4R; binds to IL-4 receptor α ; blocks signaling of IL-4 and IL-13	≥12 yr old with severe eosinophilic asthma AEC≥150 cells/ml \pm FENO level≥25 ppb	200 or 300 mg s.c. every 2 wk	Rarely causes hypersensitivity reactions; higher incidence of injection site reactions (up to 18%) and hypereosinophilia (4–14%)
Tezepelumab	Anti-thymic stromal lymphopoietin (TSLP)	≥12 yr old with severe asthma	210 mg s.c. every 2 wk	Hypersensitivity reactions

Efficacy of the T2 biologics for severe asthma

Therapy	Asthma Exacerbation	Lung Function	Corticosteroid Weaning
Omalizumab	Reduces by ~ 25%	Minimal or Equivocal improvement	Decreases use of ICS, but no data that it helps with OCS weaning
Mepolizumab	Reduces by ~ 50%	Inconsistent effect	Decreases total use of OCS and has been shown to facilitate complete weaning from chronic OCS (14%)
Reslizumab	Reduces by ~ 50–60%	Improved	Has not been specifically evaluated for this indication
Benralizumab	Reduces by ~ 25–60%	Improved	Decreases total use of OCS and has been shown to facilitate complete weaning from chronic OCS (50%)
Dupilumab	Reduces by ~50–70%	Improved	Decreases total use of OCS and has been shown to facilitate complete weaning from chronic OCS (50%)
Tezepelumab	Reduces by ~40–60%	Improved	Did not observe the beneficial effect of OCS reduction (only TEC \geq 150/ μ L)

Clinical efficacy of biologics

Criteria for Remission	Dupilumab	Benralizumab		Tezepelumab	Mepolizumab	Multiple Biologics			
	2021 ¹ QUEST Phase 3	2022 ² TRAVERSE OLE	2022 ³ SIROCCO/ CALIMA Phase 3	2022 ⁴ ANDHI Phase 3b	2023 ⁵ XALOC-1	2022 ^{6,7} NAVIGATOR Phase 3	2022 ⁸ REDES	2022 ⁹ CHRONICLE	2022 ¹⁰ Danish Registry
 Absence of symptoms ^{a,b} and	ACQ-5 < 1.5	ACQ-5 < 1.5	ACQ-6 < 1.5 ["] or ≤ 0.75	ACQ-6 < 1.5 ["] or ≤ 0.75	ACQ-5 < 1.5 or ACT ≥ 16	ACQ-6 ≤ 1.5 ^{a,b}	ACT ≥ 20	Majority ≥ (50%) ACT ≥ 20	ACQ ≤ 1.5
 Optimized/stabilized lung function and	Post-BD FEV _{1,pp} ≥ 80%	Post-BD FEV ₁ ≥ 80% OR pre-BD FEV ₁ ≥ 100 mL	Pre-BD FEV ₁ increase ≥ 100 mL	Pre-BD FEV ₁ increase ≥ 100 mL	Not included	Pre-BD FEV _{1,pp} > 80% OR Pre-BD FEV ₁ > 20% from baseline; FEV ₁ > 95% of baseline ^{**}	Not included	Not included	Post-BD FEV _{1,pp} ≥ 80%
 No exacerbations; no OCS ^c	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ ^d	✓	✓	✓
✓ Prevalence of clinical remission	31.7%	36.4%	26.3% ["]	28.7%	43%	14% [^] - 28.5% ^{**}	37%	35%	19%

An expert consensus framework for asthma remission as a treatment goal



Check for updates

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Understanding the Difference Between Cure and Remission

Cure means that there are no traces of your cancer after treatment and the cancer will never come back.

Remission means that the signs and symptoms of your cancer are reduced. Remission can be partial or complete. In a complete remission, all signs and symptoms of cancer have disappeared.

If you remain in complete remission for 5 years or more, some doctors may say that you are cured. Still, some cancer cells can remain in your body for many years after treatment. These cells may cause the cancer to come back one day. For cancers that return, most do so within the first 5 years after treatment. But, there is a chance that cancer will come back later. For this reason, doctors cannot say for sure that you are cured. The most they can say is that there are no signs of cancer at this time.

from NIH

Generalized framework for remission in asthma

Clinical Remission on Treatment

For ≥12 months:

- Sustained absence of significant asthma symptoms based on validated instrument, and
- Optimization and stabilization of lung function, and
- Patient and HCP agreement regarding disease remission, and
- No use of systemic corticosteroid therapy for exacerbation treatment or long-term disease control

Clinical Remission off Treatment

Same criteria maintained without asthma treatment for ≥12 months

Complete Remission on Treatment

Clinical remission plus the following:

- Current, objective evidence of the resolution of previously documented asthma-related inflammation (eg, reduced blood or sputum eosinophil counts, FENO, and/or other relevant measures), and
- In appropriate research settings: Current negative bronchial hyperresponsiveness

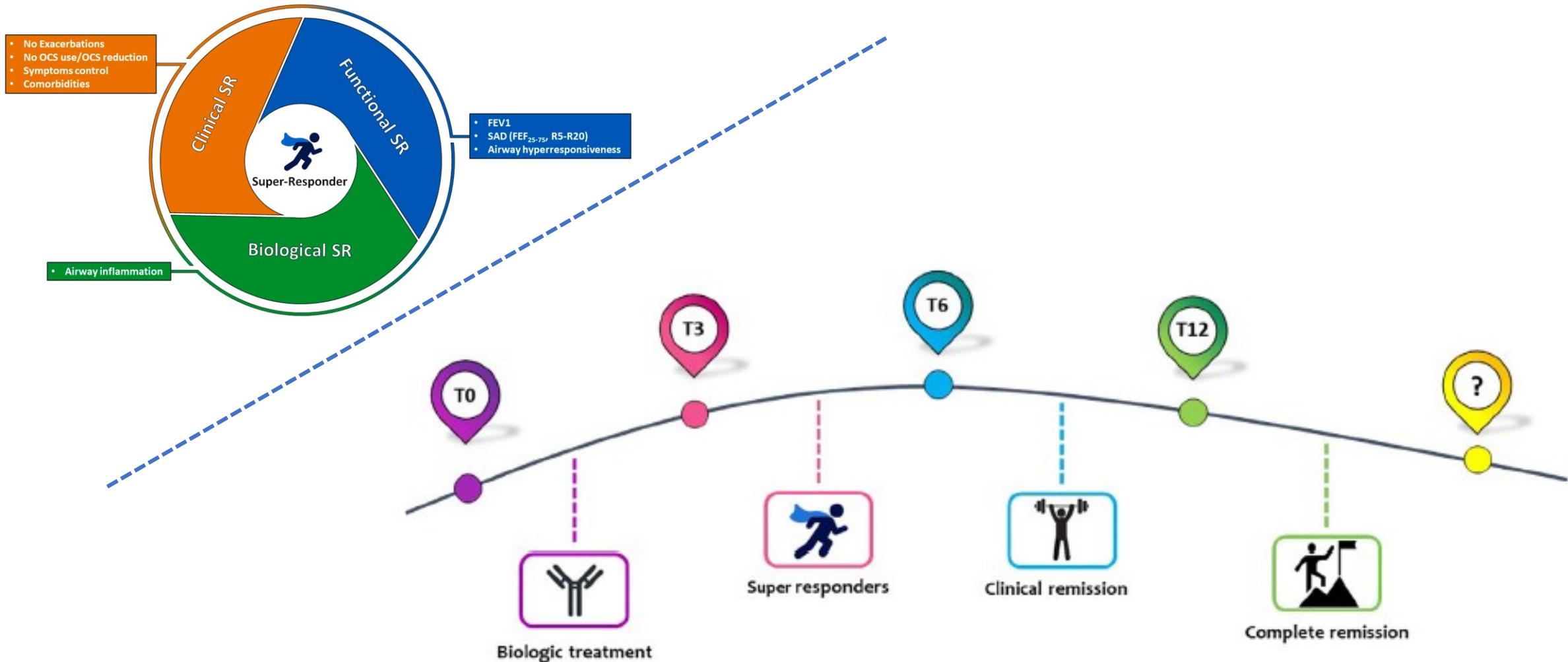
Complete Remission off Treatment

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Comparison of definition of clinical remission in asthma

	Menzies-Gow et al	Nagase et al	Pavord et al	Blaiss et al
Patient symptom	Validated instrument	ACQ<1.5 or ACT>19	ACT ≥ 20	No missed work or school
Lung function	Optimization/stabilization	FEV1 ≥ 80(%)	postBD FEV1 ≥ 80(%)	stable and optimized pulmonary function (≥ 2measures in a 12 mon)
No use of OCS	(+)	(+)	(+)	(+)
No Exacerbation	(+)	(+)	(+)	(+)
Duration	≥ 12month		52 weeks	12 months
Pt/provider agreement		Suppressive T2 infla. (TEC <300 ul and FENO 50 ppb)		Continued use of controller therapies (ICS, ICS/LATA, LTRA) only at low-medium dose of ICS
		Control of comorbidities		Symptom requiring 1 time reliver therapy ≤1/month

Responder vs. Clinical remission



Treatable traits approaches in severe asthma

Treatable Traits Approaches

Phenotypes



Endotypes



Biomarkers with targeted therapies

Respiratory

Inflammation
T2 vs. non-T2

Fixed airflow obstruction

Cough

Upper airway disease

Laryngeal dysfunction

Extra-respiratory

Obesity

Osteoporosis

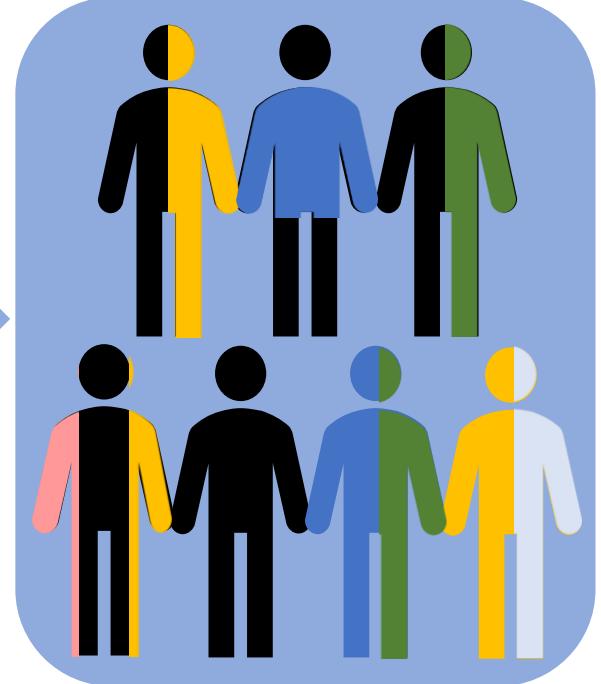
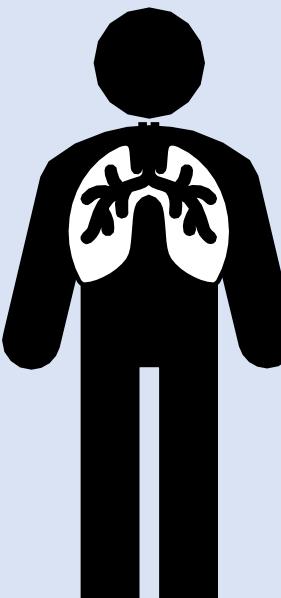
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Behavioral

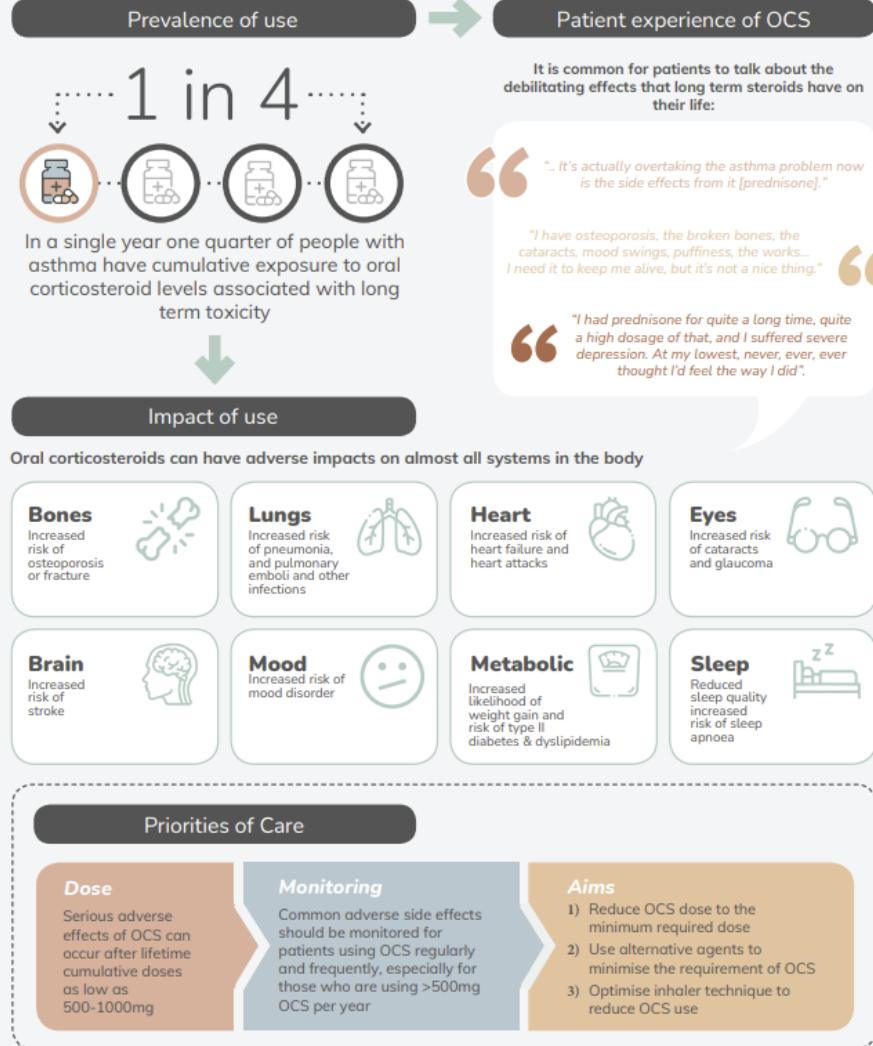
Smoking

Adherence

Precision Medicine



Oral Corticosteroid (OCS) Burden



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REVIEW

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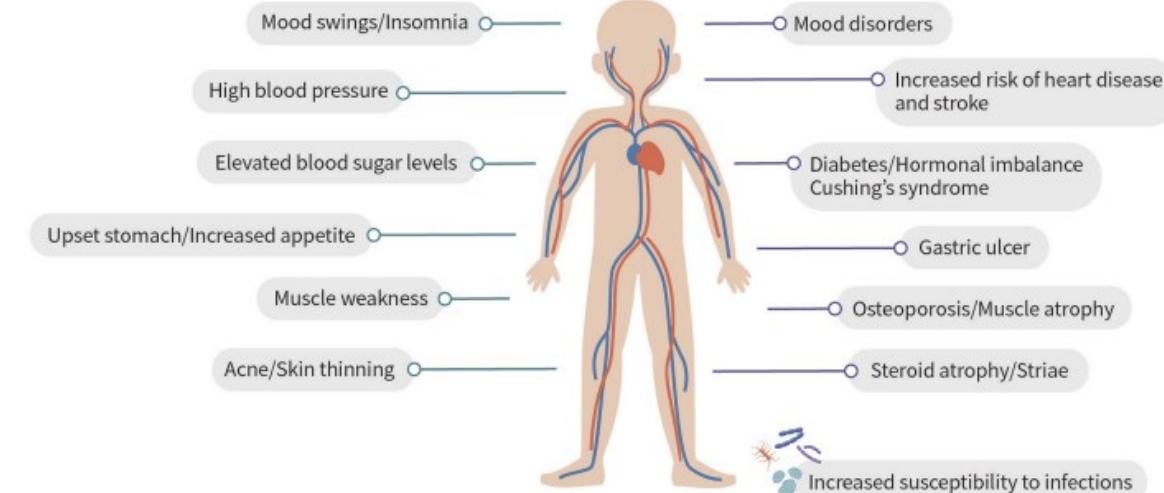
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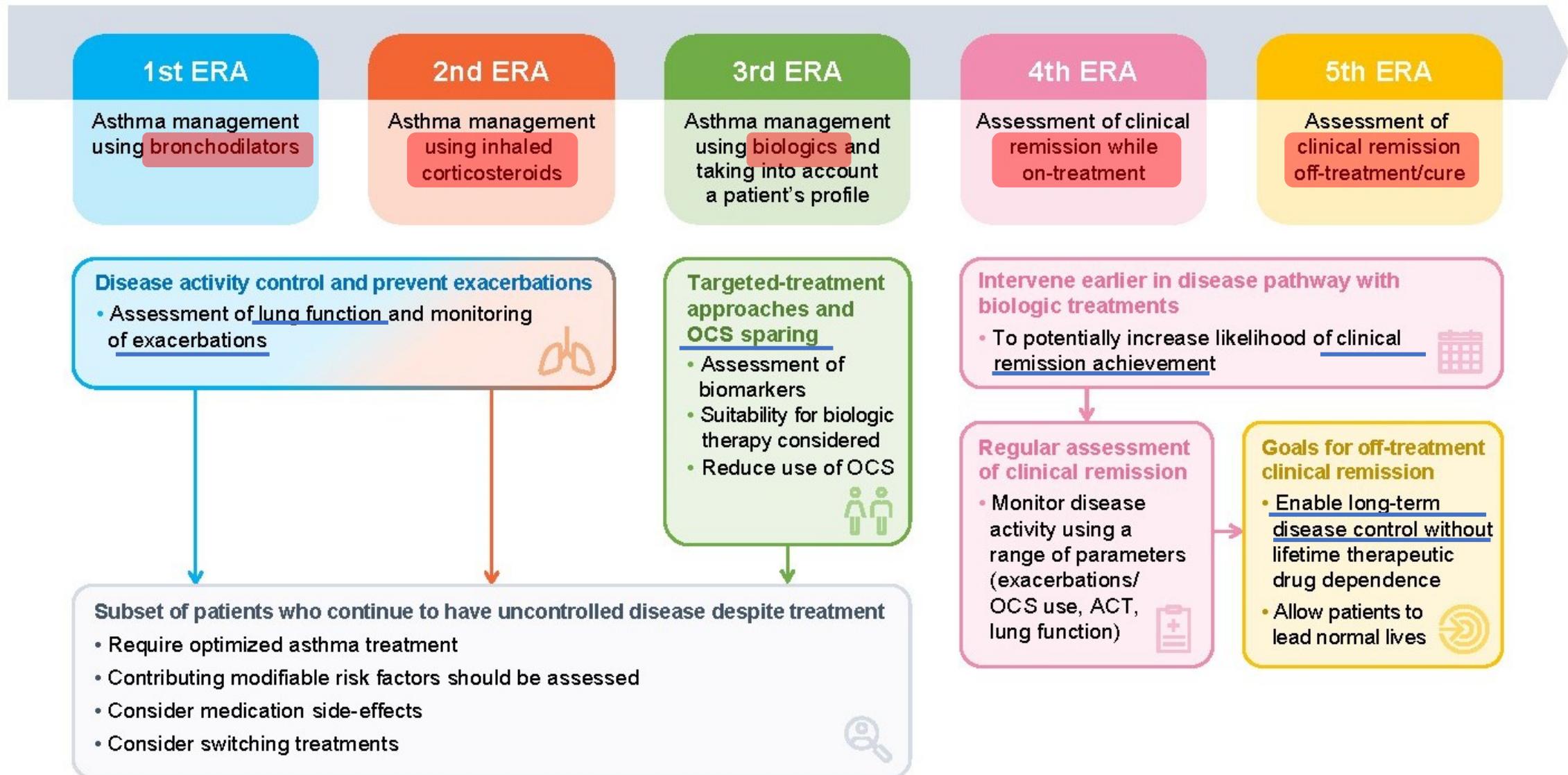
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Short-term side effects



Era of asthma treatment goal



Summary

- Personalized medicine
- Treatment recommendation
 - Anti-inflammatory reliever (AIR) therapy
 - Discouragement of short-acting beta 2 agonist (SABA)
 - Biologics for severe asthma
- Asthma remission
 - High level of disease control – the absence of signs and symptoms of asthma \geq 12 months
 - Clinical remission: No symptom, No AE (No OCS), Lung function
 - Complete remission: + normalization of underlying pathology (inflammation, AHR)
- How to induce remission
 - T2 asthma – biologics vs [nonT2 asthma ??](#)
 - Treatable traits approach: extrapulmonary or behavior related

Thank you