

INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS (ICS)

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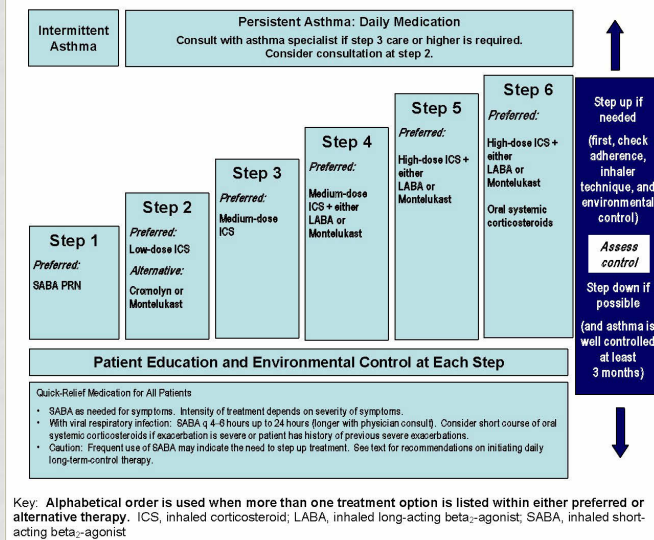
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& “Leukotriene Modifiers”

OBJECTIVES

- 1) Describe the mode of action, therapeutic value and role in the management of asthma.
- 2) Identify potential adverse effects and strategies for managing patients to minimize side effects
- 3) Evaluate the cost, barriers and potential benefit of this class of medications.

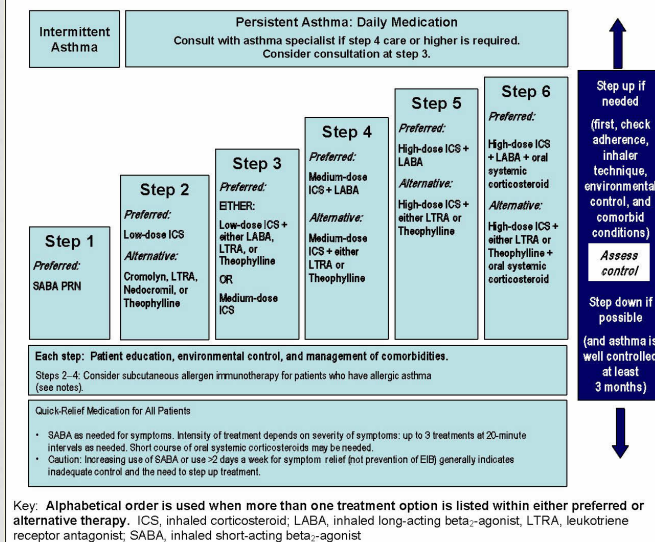
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FIGURE 4-1a. STEPWISE APPROACH FOR MANAGING ASTHMA IN CHILDREN 0-4 YEARS OF AGE



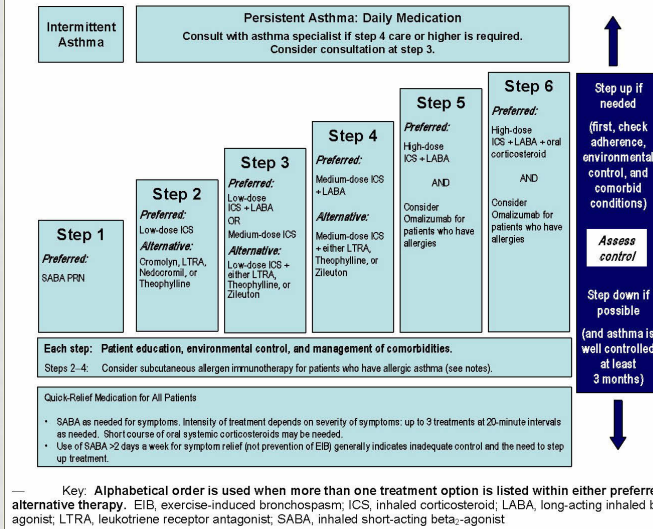
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FIGURE 4-1b. STEPWISE APPROACH FOR MANAGING ASTHMA IN CHILDREN 5-11 YEARS OF AGE



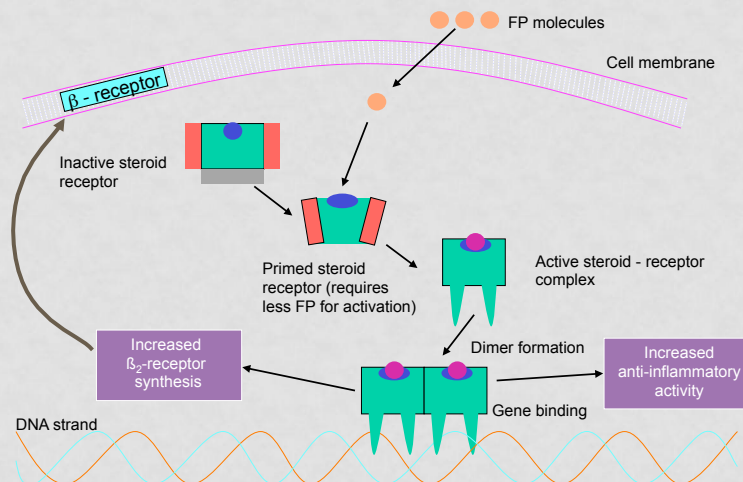
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FIGURE 4-5. STEPWISE APPROACH FOR MANAGING ASTHMA IN YOUTHS ≥12 YEARS OF AGE AND ADULTS



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Proposed Mechanism of Action of Steroids



INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS (ICS): MOST EFFECTIVE LONG-TERM CONTROLLER FOR ASTHMA

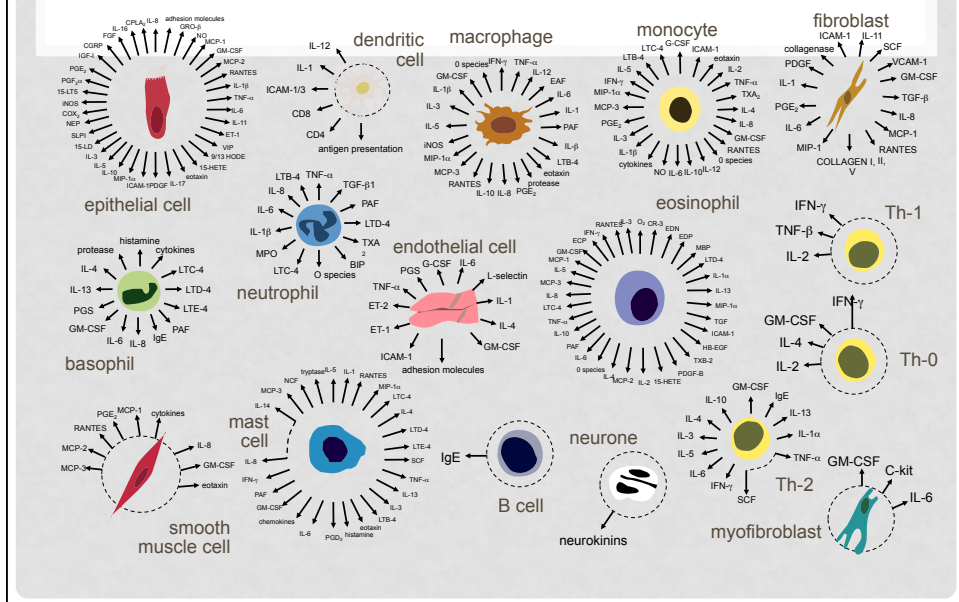
The daily use of ICS results in the following:

- Asthma symptoms will diminish. Improvement will continue gradually over 60-90 days
- Occurrence of severe exacerbations is greatly reduced
- Need for quick-relief medication decreases
- Lung function improves significantly, as measured by FEV_1 , FEV_1/FVC , $PEF(?)$ & airway hyperresponsiveness

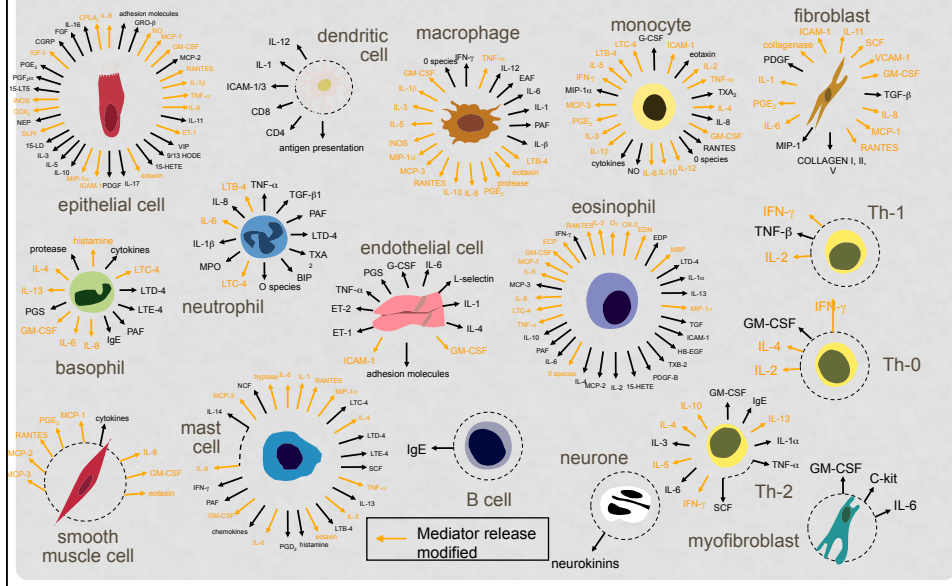
Problems due to asthma may return if patients stop taking ICS

Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Asthma. 2007.

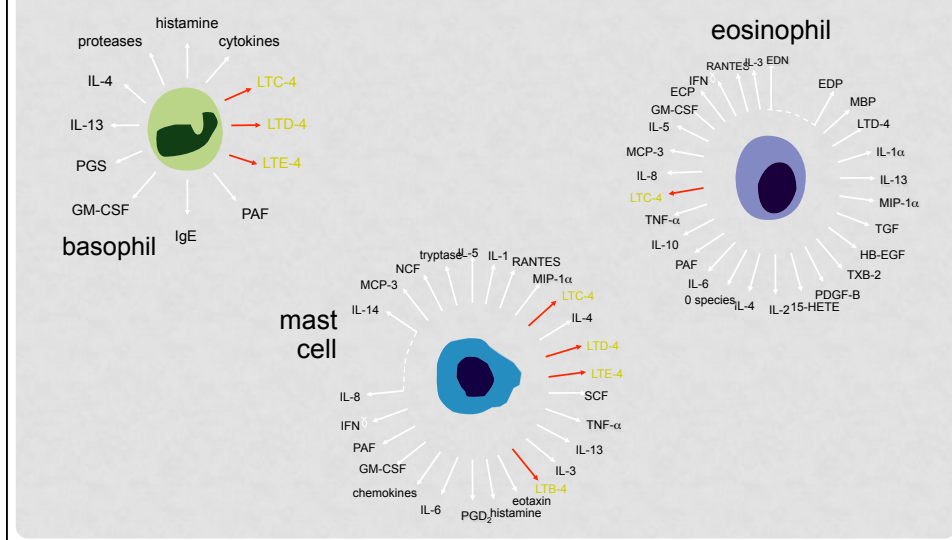
Mechanisms involved in inflammation



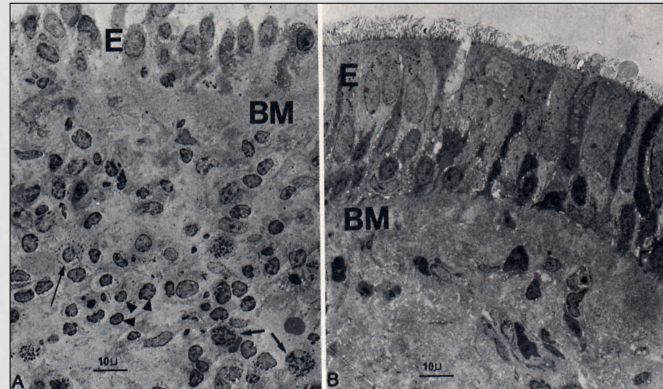
Effects of Corticosteroids on Inflammatory Cells



LEUKOTRIENES



EFFECTS OF INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS ON INFLAMMATION

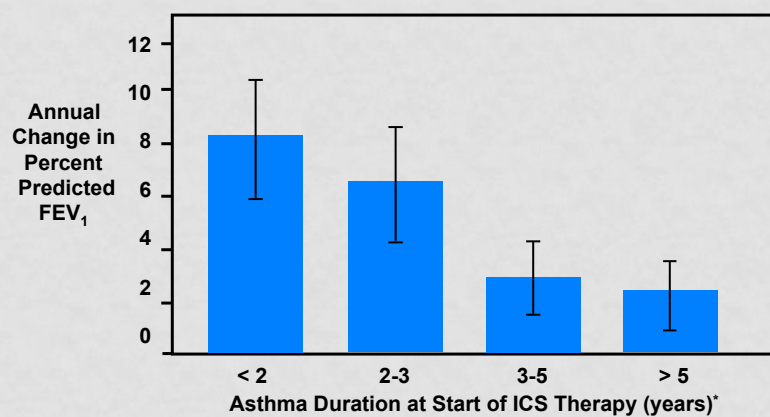


Pre- and post-3-month treatment with budesonide (BUD) 600 mcg b.i.d.

E = Epithelium
BM = Basement Membrane

Laitinen et al. *J Allergy Clin Immunol.* 1992;90:32-42.

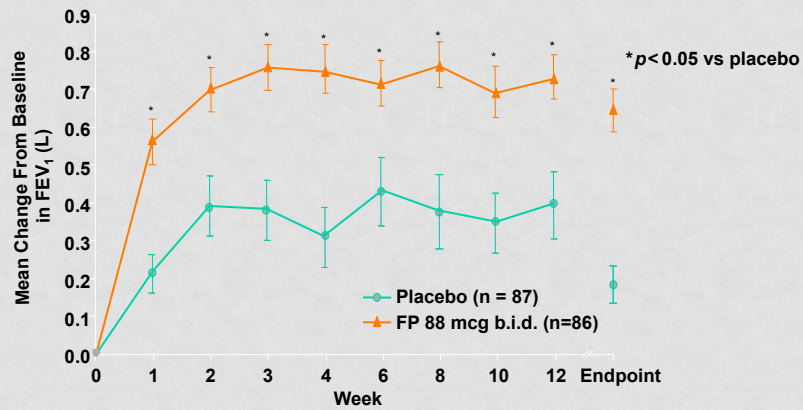
MEAN ANNUAL INCREASE IN FEV₁ DURING ICS THERAPY IN PEDIATRIC PATIENTS



*Mean values and 95% confidence intervals are shown.

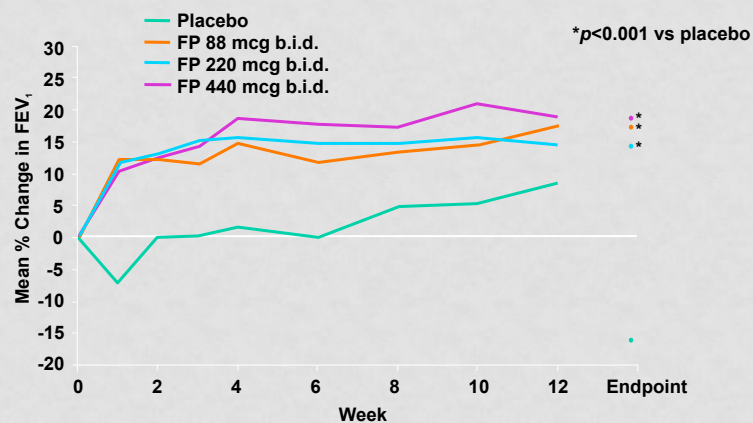
Agertoft L, Pedersen S. *Respir Med.* 1994;88:373-381.

PATIENTS INADEQUATELY CONTROLLED ON
BRONCHODILATORS ALONE: MEAN CHANGE FROM
BASELINE (\pm SEM) IN FEV₁ (LITERS) PRIOR TO AM DOSE



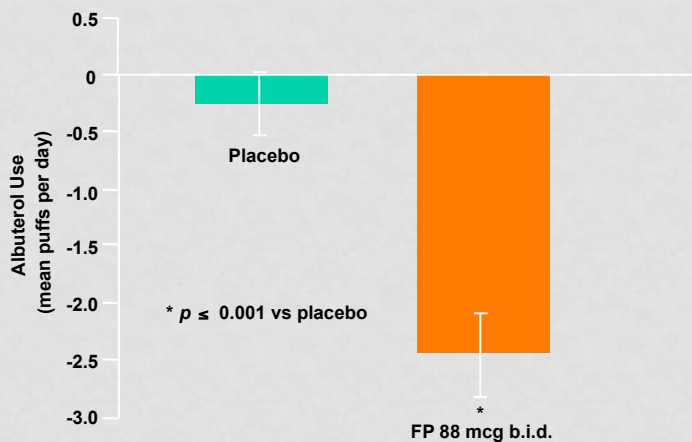
Adapted from Galant SP et al. *Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol.* 1996;77:112-118.

PATIENTS PREVIOUSLY RECEIVING DAILY INHALED
CORTICOSTEROIDS – MEAN PERCENTAGE CHANGE
FROM BASELINE IN FEV₁ PRIOR TO AM DOSE



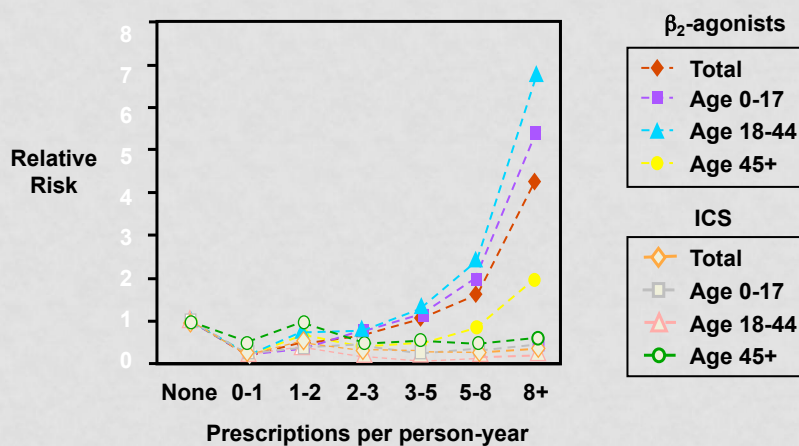
Adapted from Wolfe JD et al. *Clin Ther.* 1996;18(4): 635-646.

PATIENTS INADEQUATELY CONTROLLED ON BRONCHODILATORS ALONE: MEAN DECREASE FROM BASELINE (\pm SEM) TO ENDPOINT IN ALBUTEROL USE



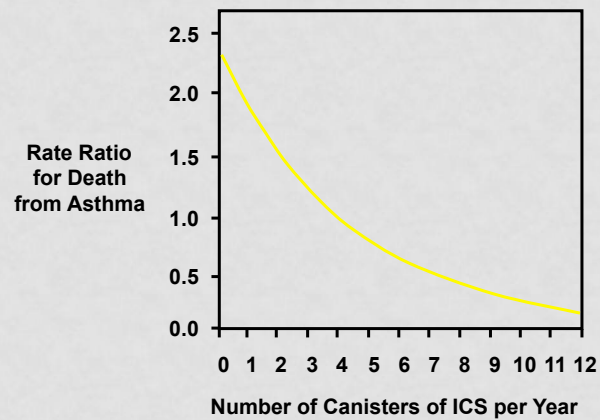
Galant SP et al. *Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol.* 1996;77:112-118.

Relative Risk of Hospitalization in the United States



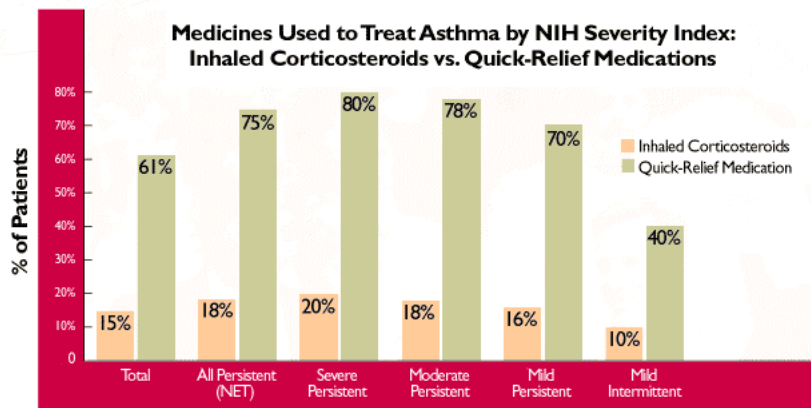
Donahue et al. *JAMA.* 1997;277:887-891.

Low-dose ICS and the Prevention of Death from Asthma in Canada



Suissa et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2000;343:332-336.

Patients and inhaled corticosteroids



Base: All patients (unweighted N=2509).

Asthma
in AMERICA
A NATIONAL SURVEY
An Executive Summary

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	Sample FQHC								March 2014 - February 2015			
2	N = randomized listing number											
3	DCN = Medicaid number											
4	ACD = Acute Care Days = ED visits + inpatient days								White Yellow Red			
5	ED = # times in emergency room								ACD ≤1 2 to 3 ≥4			
6	SOS = Systemic or Oral Steroid = # times steroids taken								ED ≤1 2 to 3 ≥4			
7	SABA = # of inhalers obtained Short-acting Beta Agonist								SOS ≤1 2 to 3 ≥4			
8	ICS = # / 12 as a % of expected refills								SABA 0 to 4 5 to 7 ≥8			
9	(all calculations are for the preceding 12 months)								ICS > 80% 80% to 40% < 40%			
10												
11	N	DCN	ACD	Hospital	ED	SOS	SABA	ICS				
228	217	####	0	0	0	1	0	0%				
229	218	####	8	0	8	2	4	33%				
230	219	####	4	0	4	10	9	42%				
231	220	####	4	0	4	0	5	25%				
232	221	####	0	0	0	0	0	0%				
233	222	####	1	0	1	0	1	0%				
234	223	####	2	0	2	1	11	58%				
235	224	####	2	0	2	0	3	33%				
236	225	####	2	0	2	1	1	17%				
237	226	####	6	0	6	2	14	17%				
238	227	####	0	0	0	0	3	25%				
239	228	####	0	0	0	0	3	33%				
240	229	####	1	0	1	0	5	58%				
241	230	####	0	0	0	0	2	17%				
242	231	####	6	0	6	3	3	50%				
243	232	####	0	0	0	1	3	8%				
244	233	####	6	0	6	1	3	0%				
245	234	####	0	0	0	0	1	17%				
246			498	140	358	108	595	20%				
247												
248												
249	Mean							Risk Profile (Zero equals No Risk)				
250	ACD rate			2.1				SOS/ICS ratio				
251	SOS rate			0.5				ACD/ICS ratio				
252	ICS rate			2.4				SABA/ICS ratio				
253	SABA rate			2.5								
254												
255												

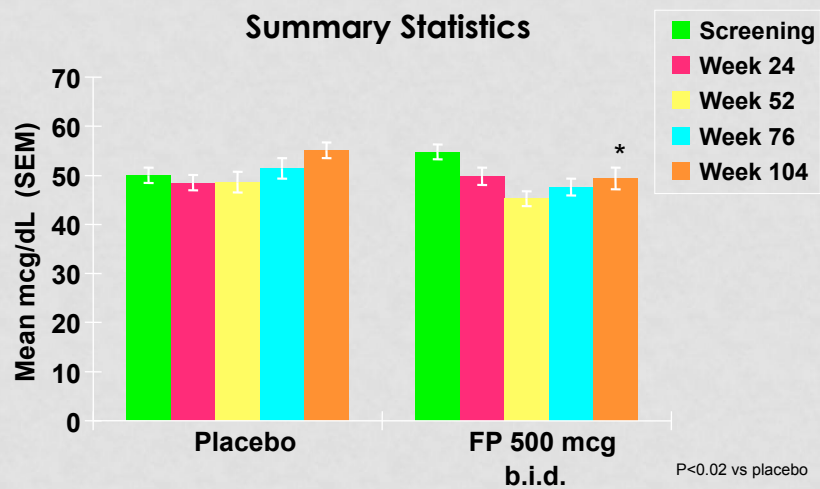
Underutilization of ICS

- Inadequately prescribed by providers
 - Inaccurate determination of persistent disease
 - Safety concerns
- Inadequately taken by patients
 - Reluctance to use daily therapy
 - Fear of “steroids” and confusion with anabolic steroids
 - Lack of perception of effect

INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS: POTENTIAL THERAPEUTIC RISKS

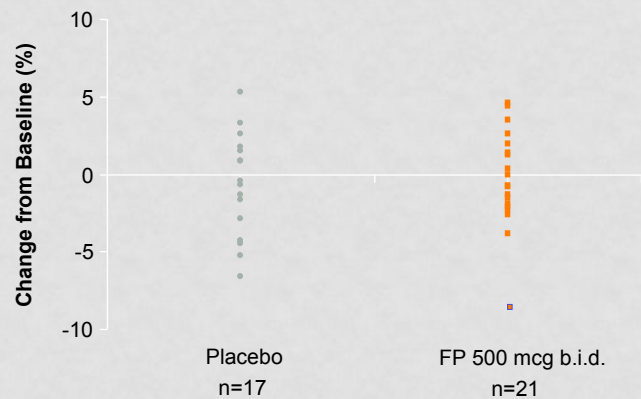
- HPA axis suppression
- Decreased bone mineral density
- Ophthalmic changes
- Growth Suppression
- Bruising

6-HOUR COSYNTROPIN TEST: PEAK PLASMA CORTISOL



Li JT et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol 1999;103:1062-1068

LONG-TERM SAFETY IN ADULTS MEAN LUMBAR SPINE BONE LOSS



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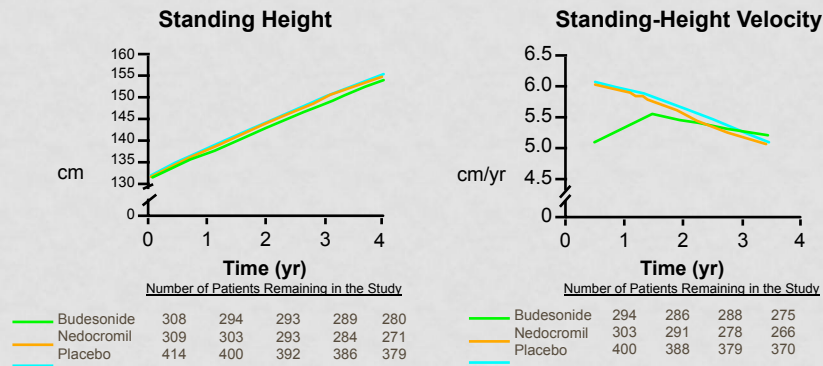
LONG-TERM SAFETY IN ADULTS OPHTHALMIC EXAMINATION

- No posterior subcapsular cataracts
- No new cortical cataracts; 1 placebo patient had a nuclear cataract (18 mos.)
- No diagnosis of glaucoma or increased IOP.

Rare incidences of glaucoma, increased intraocular pressure, and cataracts have been reported with inhaled corticosteroids

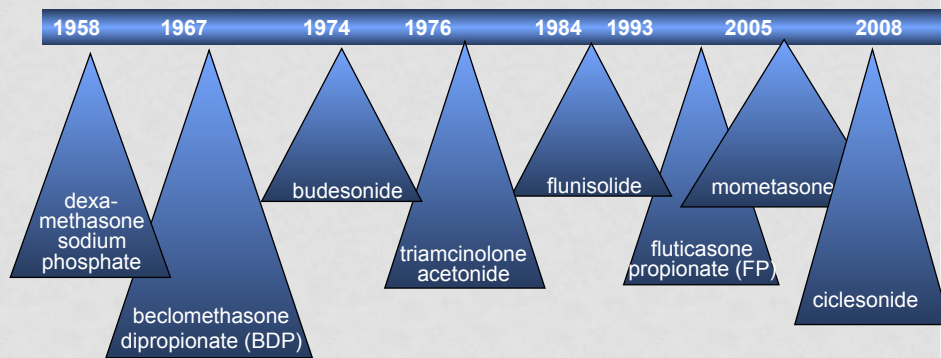
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LONG-TERM EFFECTS OF BUDESONIDE AND NEDOCROMIL ON GROWTH



Childhood Asthma Management Program Research Group. *N Engl J Med* 2000;343:1054-1063.

History of Worldwide Glucocorticoid Development in the Treatment of Asthma



IMS MIDAS Database

PHARMACOLOGIC PROFILE OF NEWER ICS

- High topical anti-inflammatory activity
- High lipophilicity
- High glucocorticoid receptor selectivity/affinity
- Systemic bioavailability of approximately 30% with less than 1-5% available through the oral route

The clinical relevance of these pharmacologic properties has not been established.

LIPOPHILICITY OF NEW ICS

- Increased uptake in lung tissue
- Slow release from lung lipid compartment
- Increased affinity for steroid receptor
- Prolonged receptor occupancy/action

The clinical relevance of these pharmacologic properties has not been established.

Johnson M. J Allergy Clin Immunol 1996;97:169-176.

Relative potency of inhaled corticosteroids

Medication	Topical Potency (Skin Blanching)*	Corticosteroid Receptor Binding Half-Life	Receptor Binding Affinity
Fluticasone propionate (FP)	1,200	10.5 hours	18.0
Budesonide (BUD)	980	5.1 hours	9.4
Beclomethasone diprop (BDP)	600	7.5 hours	13.5
Triamcinolone acetonide (TAA)	330	3.9 hours	3.6
Flunisolide (FLU)	330	3.5 hours	1.8

*Numbers are assigned in reference to dexamethasone, which has a value of "1" in the MacKenzie test.

National Asthma Education and Prevention Program. *Expert Panel Report 2:*

INHALED ANTI-INFLAMMATORIES

The provider/educator action is:

- Teach patient about delay onset of action
- Teach patient to take EVERY DAY (twice?)
- Demonstrate proper technique
- Have patient demonstrate technique
- Instruct patient to use a spacer for MDI
- Instruct patient to rinse & spit (eat or drink) after use
- Teach patient days supply per canister
- Calendar cues to check counter
- Consider reasons for non-response

Daily Dose	0-4 years of age			5-11 years of age			≥12 years of age		
	Low	Medium*	High*	Low	Medium*	High*	Low	Medium*	High*
MEDICATION									
Beclomethasone MDI[†]	N/A	N/A	N/A	80-160 mcg	>160-320 mcg	>320 mcg	80-240 mcg	>240-480 mcg	>480 mcg
40 mcg/puff				1-2 puffs 2x/day	3-4 puffs 2x/day		1-3 puffs 2x/day	4-6 puffs 2x/day	
80 mcg/puff				1 puff 2x/day	2 puffs 2x/day	≈3 puffs 2x/day	1 puff am, 2 puffs pm	2-3 puffs 2x/day	≈4 puffs 2x/day
Budesonide DPI[†]	N/A	N/A	N/A	180-360 mcg	>360-720 mcg	>720 mcg	180-540 mcg	>540-1,080 mcg	>1,080 mcg
90 mcg/inhalation				1-2 inh's 2x/day	3-4 inh's 2x/day		1-3 inh's 2x/day		
180 mcg/inhalation					2 inh's 2x/day	≈3 inh's 2x/day	1 inh' am, 2 inh's pm	2-3 inh's 2x/day	≈4 inh's 2x/day
Budesonide Nebules	0.25-0.5 mg	>0.5-1.0 mg	>1.0 mg	0.5 mg	1.0 mg	2.0 mg	N/A	N/A	N/A
0.25 mg	1-2 nebs'/day			1 neb' 2x/day					
0.5 mg	1 neb'/day	2 nebs'/day	3 nebs'/day	1 neb'/day	1 neb' 2x/day				
1.0 mg		1 neb'/day	2 nebs'/day		1 neb'/day	1 neb' 2x/day			
Ciclesonide MDI[†]	N/A	N/A	N/A	80-160 mcg	>160-320 mcg	>320 mcg	160-320 mcg	>320-640 mcg	>640 mcg
80 mcg/puff				1-2 puffs/day	1 puff am, 2 puffs pm-2 puffs 2x/day	≈3 puffs 2x/day	1-2 puffs 2x/day	3-4 puffs 2x/day	
160 mcg/puff				1 puff/day	1 puff 2x/day	≈2 puffs 2x/day		2 puffs 2x/day	≈3 puffs 2x/day
Flunisolide MDI[†]	N/A	N/A	N/A	160 mcg	320-480 mcg	≈480 mcg	320 mcg	>320-640 mcg	>640 mcg
80 mcg/puff				1 puff 2x/day	2-3 puffs 2x/day	≈4 puffs 2x/day	2 puffs 2x/day	3-4 puffs 2x/day	≈5 puffs 2x/day

Daily Dose	0-4 years of age			5-11 years of age			≥12 years of age		
	Low	Medium*	High*	Low	Medium*	High*	Low	Medium*	High*
MEDICATION									
Fluticasone MDI[†]	176 mcg	>176-352 mcg	>352 mcg	88-176 mcg	>176-352 mcg	>352 mcg	88-264 mcg	>264-440 mcg	>440 mcg
44 mcg/puff	2 puffs 2x/day	3-4 puffs 2x/day		1-2 puffs 2x/day	3-4 puffs 2x/day		1-3 puffs 2x/day		
110 mcg/puff		1 puff 2x/day	≈2 puffs 2x/day		1 puff 2x/day	≈2 puffs 2x/day		2 puffs 2x/day	3 puffs 2x/day
220 mcg/puff								1 puffs 2x/day	≈2 puffs 2x/day
Fluticasone DPI[†]	N/A	N/A	N/A	100-200 mcg	>200-400 mcg	>400 mcg	100-300 mcg	>300-500 mcg	>500 mcg
50 mcg/inhalation				1-2 inh's 2x/day	3-4 inh's 2x/day		1-3 inh's 2x/day		
100 mcg/inhalation				1 inh' 2x/day	2 inh's 2x/day	>2 inh's 2x/day		2 inh's 2x/day	≈3 inh's 2x/day
250 mcg/inhalation						1 inh' 2x/day		1 inh' 2x/day	≈2 inh's 2x/day
Mometasone DPI[†]	N/A	N/A	N/A	110 mcg	220-440 mcg	>440 mcg	110-220 mcg	>220-440 mcg	>440 mcg
110 mcg/inhalation				1 inh'/day	1-2 inh's 2x/day	≈3 inh's 2x/day	1-2 inh's pm	3-4 inh's pm or 2 inh's 2x/day	≈3 inh's 2x/day
220 mcg/inhalation					1-2 inh's/day	≈3 inh's divided in 2 doses	1 inh' pm	1 inh' 2x/day or 2 inh's pm	≈3 inh's divided in 2 doses

- ICS comparable dose chart by age group, Pages 8 and 9

Asthma Care Quick Reference

DIAGNOSING AND MANAGING ASTHMA

Guidelines from the National Asthma Education and Prevention Program
EXPERT PANEL REPORT 3

The goal of this asthma care quick reference guide is to help clinicians provide quality care to people who have asthma.

Quality asthma care involves not only initial diagnosis and treatment to achieve asthma control, but also long-term, regular follow-up care to maintain control.

Asthma control focuses on two domains: (1) **reducing impairment**—the frequency and intensity of symptoms and functional limitations currently or recently experienced by a

INITIAL VISIT

- Diagnose asthma
- Assess asthma severity
- Initiate medication & demonstrate use
- Develop written asthma action plan
- Schedule follow-up appointment

JOINT TASK FORCE PRACTICE PARAMETERS

AAAAI, ACAA, JCAI

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WHAT TO DO IN THE “YELLOW ZONE”

Summary Statement 6: Advise patients currently treated with daily low-to-moderate dose inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) therapy to consider increasing the total ICS dose per 24 hours (ie, quadrupling) for managing loss of asthma control in the yellow zone. (Option: B Evidence)

Summary Statement 7: For children younger than 6 years with recurrent wheezing and risk factors for subsequent asthma (ie, positive modified asthma predictive index), consider initiating high-dose ICS or oral montelukast at the early signs of wheezing illnesses to decrease intensity of symptoms. (Option: B Evidence)

Summary Statement 8: For patients with mild to moderate asthma, consider recommending symptom-driven use of ICS with concomitant inhaled β agonist for control of yellow zone symptoms. (Option: B Evidence)

Asthma Topics

1. Role of Adjustable Medication Dosing in Recurrent Wheezing and Asthma
2. Role of Long Acting Anti-Muscarinic Agents (LAMAs) in Asthma Management as Add-on to ICSs
3. Role of Bronchial Thermoplasty in Adult Severe Asthma
4. Role of Fractional exhaled Nitric Oxide (FeNO) in Diagnosis, Medication Selection, and Monitoring Treatment Response in Asthma
5. Role of Remediation of Indoor Allergens (e.g., House Dust Mites/Animals/Pests) in Asthma Management
6. Role of Immunotherapy in Treatment of Asthma

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