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## Purpose and Target Audience

Allergists, Immunologists, Pulmonologists, Family Practitioners, Certified Registered Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants with the most current and up-to-date treatments and scientific information regarding allergy, asthma, and immunology.

## Program Outcomes

At the conclusion of this learning activity, participants should be able to:

- Apply new knowledge in a variety of topics to improve identification and screening practices to help them choose appropriate biologics and appropriate therapies for their patients.

## Accreditation

### For Physicians:

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of the Pennsylvania Medical Society and Pennsylvania Allergy and Asthma Association. The Pennsylvania Medical Society is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

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**The evaluation will be available starting Monday, June 27, 2022.**

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# PAAA 2022 Annual Meeting Agenda

<b>Thursday, June 23, 2022</b>	
4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	<b>Registration &amp; Exhibitor Set Up</b> Garden Terrace Lobby & Starlight Terrace Ballroom
<b>Friday, June 24, 2022</b>	
7:30 a.m. – 7:50 a.m.	<b>Registration Open/Continental Breakfast/Visit with Exhibitors</b> Garden Terrace Lobby & Starlight Terrace Ballroom
7:50 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> Garden Terrace Ballroom Sigrid DaVeiga, MD 2021–2022 PAAA President
8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	<b>COVID-19 in Primary Immune Deficiencies</b> Alexandra Freeman, MD
8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	<b>2020 Updates to Asthma Management Guidelines: SMART Dosing in Asthma</b> Torie Grant, MD, MHS
9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	<b>Asthma: Lessons from the Upper Airway</b> Supinda Bunyavanich, MD, MPH, MPhil
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	<b>Refreshment Break/Visit Exhibitors</b> Starlight Terrace Ballroom
10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	<b>The Hyper IgE Syndromes</b> Alexandra Freeman, MD
11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	<b>The Microbiome and Food Allergy</b> Supinda Bunyavanich, MD, MPH, MPhil
12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<b>Mayer A. Green, MD Allergy Foundation Memorial Lecture The Promise and Limits of Food Allergen Immunotherapy</b> Carla Davis, MD
1:00 p.m.	<b>Adjournment of PAAA Educational Activities</b>
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	<b>Non-CME ISS Program</b> Tea House Room <i>Evidence for Using a Biologic to Treat Two Different Eosinophil-Driven Diseases: Severe Eosinophilic Asthma and Chronic Rhinosinusitis with Nasal Polyps</i>
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	<b>Non-CME ISS Program</b> Tea House Room <i>Dual Inhibition: Targeting Systemic and Localized Type 2 Inflammation in Asthma</i>
8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	<b>Dessert Reception with Exhibitors</b> Starlight Veranda <i>*Pre-Registration Required</i>

# PAAA 2022 Annual Meeting Agenda

Saturday, June 25, 2022	
6:30 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.	<b>Non-CME ISS Program</b> Overlook Room <i>Challenges Associated with Respiratory Viral Infections in Patients with Primary Immunodeficiency: An Expert Discussion &amp; Real-World Experience</i>
7:00 a.m. – 7:50 a.m.	<b>Registration Open/Continental Breakfast/Visit with Exhibitors</b> Garden Terrace Lobby & Starlight Terrace Ballroom
7:50 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> Garden Terrace Ballroom Hey Chong, MD 2022 Program Chair
8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	<b>Operationalizing an Allergy Framework for COVID-19 Vaccinations</b> Paige Wickner, MD, MPH
8:45 a.m. – 8:55 a.m.	<b>PAERF Grantee Presentation</b> Presenter: Stanislaw Gabryszewski, MD, PhD <i>Investigating epidemiologic and immunologic relationships between systemic and gastrointestinal food allergies</i>
8:55 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	<b>Recognition of Long-Standing Attendees and In Memoriam</b> Janet Beausoleil, MD Historian
9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	<b>Recognizing Health Disparities in Food Allergy</b> Carla Davis, MD
9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	<b>Annual Business Meeting</b>
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	<b>Refreshment Break/Visit Exhibitors</b>
10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	<b>AERD - Diagnosis and Treatment</b> Tanya Laidlaw, MD
11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	<b>Quality/Safety in the Allergy Practice</b> Paige Wickner, MD, MPH
12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<b>Disparities in Asthma</b> Torie Grant, MD, MHS
1:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	<b>WORKSHOP: Aspirin and NSAID Challenges</b> Tanya Laidlaw, MD
2:45 p.m.	<b>Adjournment of PAAA Educational Activities</b>
6:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	<b>Fireside Social &amp; Dinner*</b> DJ and Children's Activities with Hotel Hershey Staff Formal Gardens East <i>*Pre-registration Required</i>

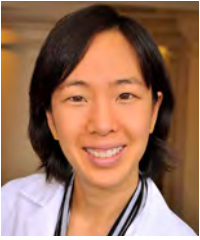
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Sunday, June 26, 2022	
7:00 a.m. – 7:35 a.m.	<b>Registration Open/Continental Breakfast</b> Garden Terrace Lobby & Starlight Terrace Ballroom
7:35 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> Garden Terrace Ballroom Magee DeFelice, MD 2022 Assistant Program Chair
7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	<b>Rheumatology in the AI Clinic</b> Megan Cooper, MD, PhD
8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	<b>Patient Education in the Office</b> David Stukus, MD
9:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.	<b>Refreshment Break/Poster Presentations</b>
9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	<b>Immune Dysregulation</b> Megan Cooper, MD, PhD
10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	<b>Oral Food Challenges in Infants and Toddlers</b> David Stukus, MD
11:15 a.m.	<b>Adjournment of PAAA Educational Activities</b>
11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	<b>Farewell Brunch*</b> Starlight Veranda *Pre-registration Required

**Total CME Hours Available: 12.25**



# Thank you to the Faculty Participants



**Supinda Bunyavanich, MD, MPH, MPhil**

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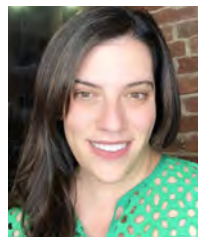
**Tanya Laidlaw, MD**

Associate Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School Division of Allergy and Clinical Immunology Chief, Section of Clinical and Translational Sciences Director of the AERD Center Harvard Medical School/Brigham and Women's Hospital



**David Stukus, MD**

Professor of Clinical Pediatrics  
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**Paige Wickner, MD, MPH**

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# Pennsylvania Allergy Educational Research Foundation (PAERF)

The Pennsylvania Allergy Educational Research Foundation (PAERF) is the charitable arm of the Pennsylvania Allergy & Asthma Association that funds educational and research endeavors related to the field of allergy and immunology. PAERF funds PAAA Annual Meeting fellows in training travel reimbursements that may be awarded to each training program in Pennsylvania. This fund allows the future leaders of our profession the opportunity to share their work through poster presentations and to participate in the meeting.

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(through May 16, 2022)

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## Posters Submitted for Display

**Ramin Beheshti, MD**—Penn State Health Milton S. Hershey Medical Center  
*The Effectiveness of Unassigned Epinephrine Administrators Increases After The Implementation Of A Newly Developed Anaphylaxis Curriculum*

**Ramin Beheshti, MD**—Penn State Health Milton S. Hershey Medical Center  
*Immunological Origins of Atopic Dermatitis Determined Through Multi-Omic Analysis*

**Hannah Harrison, MD**—Nemours Children's Hospital/Thomas Jefferson University  
*Late-Onset X-Linked Chronic Granulomatous Disease: Identification of a Novel Variant in the CYBB Gene*

**Elisabeth Hodara, MD**—St. Christopher's Hospital for Children  
*The Genetics of Eczema Herpeticum*

**Lauren Kaminsky, MD, PhD**—Penn State Health Milton S. Hershey Medical Center  
*Clinical outcomes of bacterial pneumonia in patients with penicillin allergy label*

**Anthony Lacava, MD**—Penn  
*Cyclosporine for Omalizumab-Refractory Chronic Spontaneous Urticaria—A Report of Five Cases*

**Sunjay Modi, MD**—Milton S. Hershey Medical Center- Penn State College of Medicine  
*Racial and Ethnic Disparities with Allergen Immunotherapy in Patients with Allergic Rhinitis*

**Kim Nguyen, MD**—Children's Hospital of Philadelphia  
*Baseline Characteristics of Patients who Fail Low-Dose Challenge and Patients who Reach Maintenance OIT to Cashew*

**Catherine Popadiuk, DO**—Penn State Milton S Hershey Medical Center  
*A Case of Cutaneous Botryomycosis in a Patient with X-linked Agammaglobulinemia*

**Colleen Shannon, MD, MPH** —Children's Hospital of Philadelphia  
*Asthma medication adherence during the COVID-19 pandemic in children at high risk of exacerbation*

**Sebastian Sylvestre, MD**—Penn State Hershey Medical Center  
*Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Biologic Prescriptions for Moderate-to-Severe Persistent Asthma*

**Paulina Tran, DO**—Children's Hospital of Philadelphia  
*Thymic Stromal Lymphopoietin Isoform Expression in Eosinophilic Esophagitis*



# Thank You!

## **Educational Grant**

*Mayer A. Green, MD Allergy Foundation*

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*GlaxoSmithKline—Respiratory Biologics*

*Regeneron*

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# 2022 Meeting Attendees

*Those listed below have opted to share their contact information with vendors.  
We have a total of TBD attendees registered for the meeting as of May 16, 2022.*

*(as of May 16, 2022)*

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Todd	Green	MD	Pittsburgh	PA	15238
Neeti	Gupta	MD	East Windsor	NJ	08520
Sarah	Henrickson	MD/PhD	Haddonfield	NJ	08033
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Kristen	Lutzkanin	MD	Hershey	PA	17033
Gregory	Marcotte	MD	Chadds Ford	PA	19317
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# The PAERF Research Grant

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*"I am very grateful to the PAERF committee and sponsors, who played an instrumental role in supporting my research. The PAERF grant supported my continued training as an independent researcher, fostered fruitful collaborations, and helped enrich my knowledge about allergic disease epidemiology and mechanisms underlying systemic and gastrointestinal food allergies. Thanks to this experience, I feel empowered to continue pursuing research questions stemming from my work over the past year as I continue my training."*

Stanislaw J. Gabryszewski, MD

2021 PAERF Research Grant Recipient



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and ever-better outcomes for our patients.**





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# Presentations for Friday, June 24, 2022

## **COVID-19 in Primary Immune Deficiencies**

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## **2020 Updates to Asthma Management Guidelines: SMART Dosing in Asthma**

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## **Asthma: Lessons from the Upper Airway**

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## **The Hyper IgE Syndromes**

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Carla Davis, MD





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## **COVID-19 in Primary Immune Deficiencies**

Presented by:  
Alexandra Freeman, MD

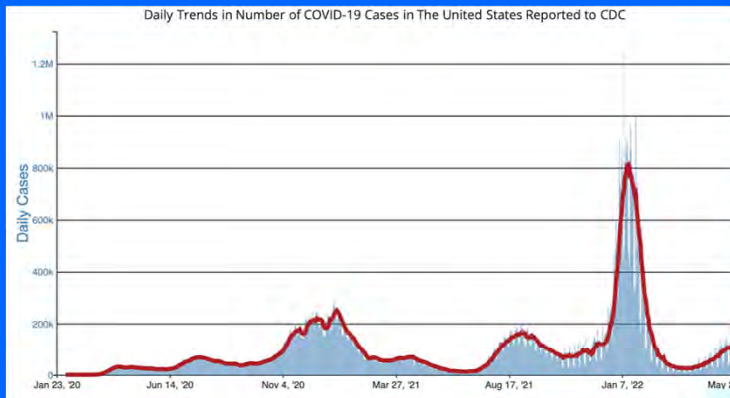
Friday, June 24, 2022  
8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.



# COVID-19 in Inborn Errors of Immunity

Alexandra Freeman MD  
 Director, Primary Immunodeficiency Clinic  
 NIAID, NIH  
 June, 2022

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CDC.gov

Difficulties of Counseling patients in  
 a Constantly Evolving Field



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### COVID-19 in STAT3 HIES in the pre-vaccine era

Age (years)	Gender	SARS-CoV2 PCR	Exposure	Duration (Days)	COVID-19 Severity	Complications	Outcome
12	F	+	PCR + Family Member	14	Mild	None	Recovered
14	F	Not Tested	PCR + Family member	14	Mild	None	Recovered
17	M	--	PCR + Family member	6	Mild	Residual Fatigue; 21 days	Recovered
24	F	--	PCR+ Work exposure	18	Mild	None	Recovered
26	M	+	High exposure work environment	14	Mild	Clinical worsening on day 7, treated with additional antibiotics	Recovered
27	F	+	Unknown	0	Asymptomatic	None	
41	M	+	Unknown	26	<b>Severe</b>	Pseudomonas co-infection; Multiorgan failure	<b>Died</b>
45	M	Not Tested	PCR + Work and family exposures	20	Mild	None	Recovered
28	M	+	Family member	10	moderate	Received antibiotics	Recovered; received monoclonal plus remdesivir

#### Fatality

41 year old Hispanic male  
 -obesity  
 -Bronchiectasis/pneumatoceles with MRSA and Pseudomonas chronic infection  
 -hypertension, prior MI with coronary artery aneurysms  
 -Busy hospital with many COVID cases

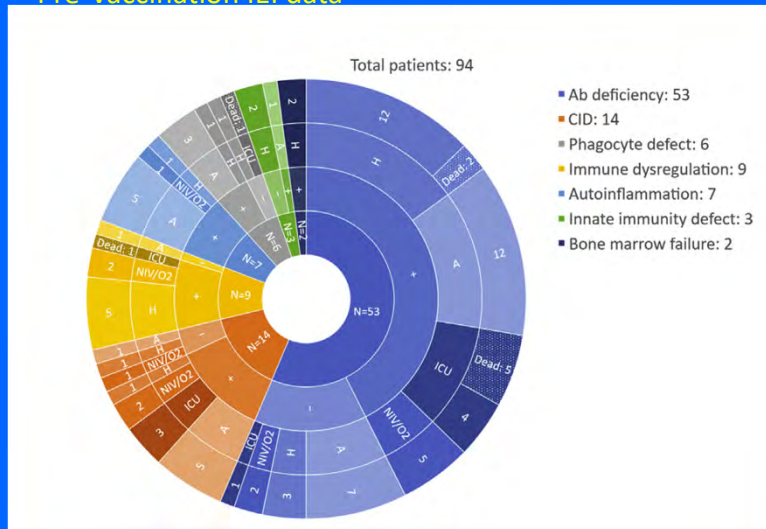
#### Hospitalized non-fatality:

s/p pneumonectomy, remaining lung with bronchiectasis/pneumatoceles  
 Chronic liver disease  
 Received oxygen by NC briefly

Post- vaccination: No hospitalizations yet  
 Also first year or so, less pulmonary infections with the major decrease in circulating respiratory viruses!

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### Pre-Vaccination IEI data

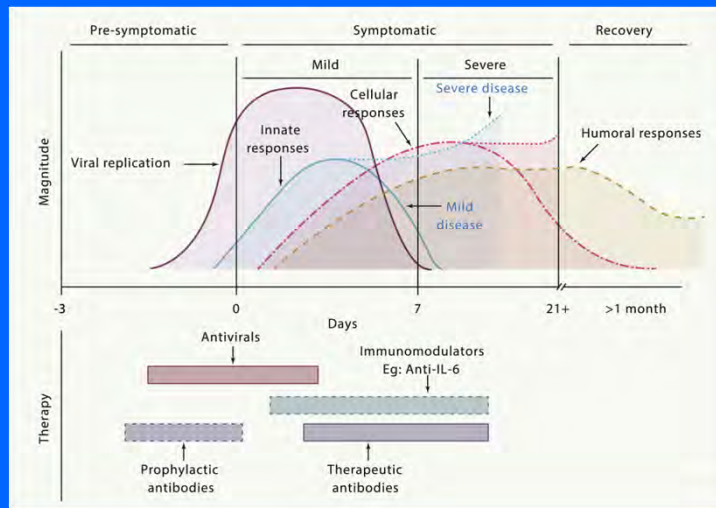


94 patients from around the world with varying IEIs  
 -CVID most common, than CID  
 ->30% mild disease, and many more likely un-recognized or reported  
 -Case fatality 10% (not that different than reports at the time, not all causal)  
 -Increased severe disease in male  
 -Increased severe disease and mortality for those with other underlying disease  
 - Some with Interferonopathies on therapies had mild disease

Meyts et al, JACI 2021

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## Immune deficiency vs Immune dysregulation



First year saw evolving therapies for Severe COVID-19

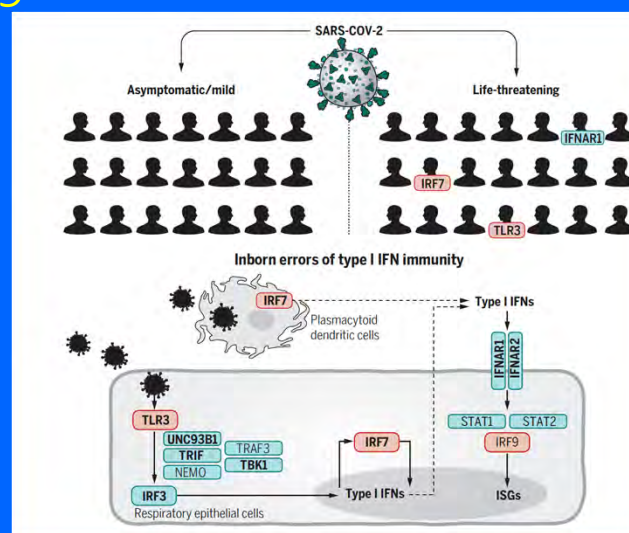
- Dexamethasone
- Tocilizumab
- Jak inhibitors

Subbaro, Immunity 2020

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## Searching for Immune defects in those with severe COVID-19

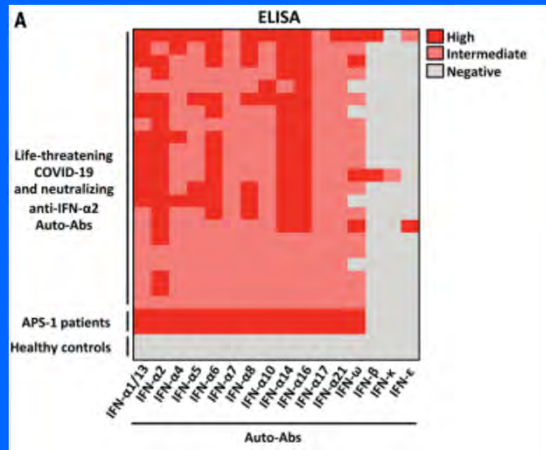
Type 1 IFN immunity Defects identified in 3.5% of 659 pts screened with severe disease compared to 534 with asymptomatic or mild



Zhang et al, Science 2020

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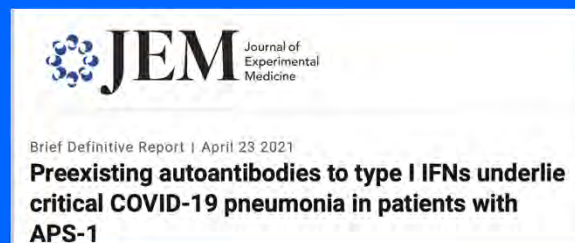
About 10% of those with severe COVID-19 were found to have neutralizing auto-abs against Type 1 IFNs  
Increased in males, older patients. Most clinically silent until COVID-19.

Bastard, Rosen et al.  
Science 2020

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## IEIs with IFN auto-antibodies, and immune dysregulation

- APECED
- Thymoma?
- CTLA4 Deficiency



22 patients, 21 checked and positive for anti-IFN auto-abs  
86% hospitalized, 65% to ICU, 18% died

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## Concern of Persistent Shedding of Virus

16 year old with STAT1 GOF, s/p failed HSCT, bronchiectasis, IDDM, enteropathy. On ruxolitinib with reasonable control of disease.

October with mild COVID-19 symptoms (Delta wave) after one dose of mRNA vaccine.

Received monoclonal antibody infusion, with quick resolution of symptoms.

About 100 days later, lung pulmonary infection.

-NP swab SARS-CoV2 PCR negative, NP wash SARS-CoV2 PCR positive, BAL PCR negative...into isolation, symptoms improved with treatment of bacterial infections. Sequence of SARS-CoV2 : Delta variant

-5 months after COVID19 infection, NP swab PCR negative, saliva SARS-CoV2 PCR positive. Delta variant.

-Repeat vaccinations and Evusheld™ given for protection.

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*The Journal of Infectious Diseases*

### BRIEF REPORT

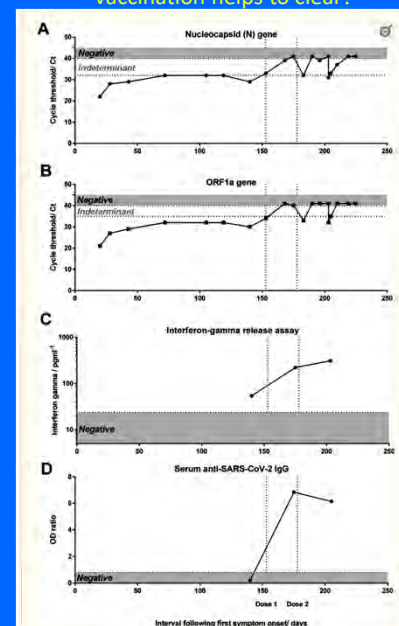
#### Yearlong COVID-19 Infection Reveals Within-Host Evolution of SARS-CoV-2 in a Patient With B-Cell Depletion

Veronique Nussenblatt,<sup>1,2</sup> Allison E. Roder,<sup>2,4</sup> Sanchita Das,<sup>2</sup> Emmie de Wit,<sup>4,5</sup> Jung-Ho Youn,<sup>2</sup> Stephanie Banakis,<sup>2</sup> Alexandra Mushagian,<sup>2</sup> Christopher Mederos,<sup>2</sup> Wei Wang,<sup>2</sup> Matthew Chung,<sup>2</sup> Lizzette Pérez-Pérez,<sup>4</sup> Tara Palmore,<sup>2</sup> Jennifer N. Brudno,<sup>4</sup> James N. Kochenderfer,<sup>2</sup> and Elodie Ghedin<sup>2</sup>

#### Therapy for persistent positivity??

- Convalescent serum is not the answer
  - Evasion with variants
- Repeat antivirals?
- Vaccination?
  - Patient with WAS reported to clear following vaccination

#### Vaccination helps to clear?



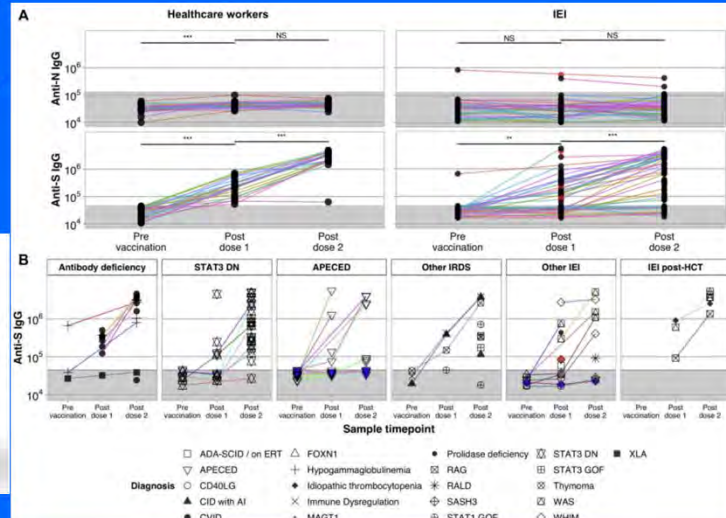
Bradley et al, J Clin Immunol 2022

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## Current Preventive Therapies Available

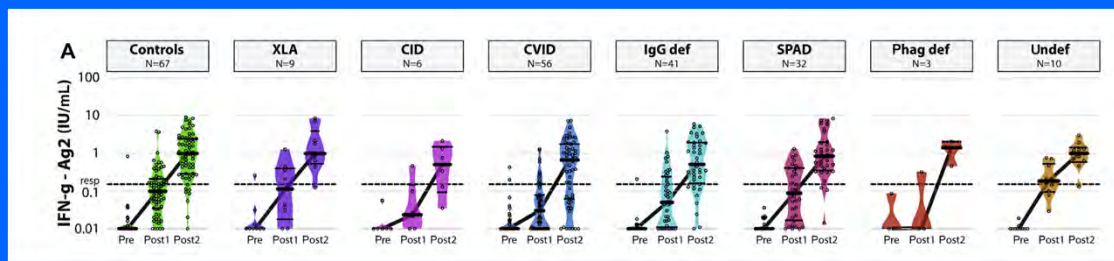
- **VACCINATION!!!**
  - 4 doses (>12 years) for those with immune suppression.



Delmonte, Bergerson et al, JACI 2021.

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## T cell responses post Vaccine too!



T cell response by Quantiferon assay. Leanne et al, JACI 2022

Important to still vaccine those without antibody responses, such as XLA.

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## Current Preventive Therapies Available

- Tixagevimab/cilgavimab (Evusheld)
  - 12 years and older, 40kg
  - Two shots given, well tolerated
  - Moderate to severe immune suppression
  - Seems to have activity against omicron, subvariants
  - Some activity for about 6 months?
  - Risk: slight increase in cardiac events for those with underlying cardiac history

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## Tixagevimab/cilgavimab during omicron pre-review, VA population

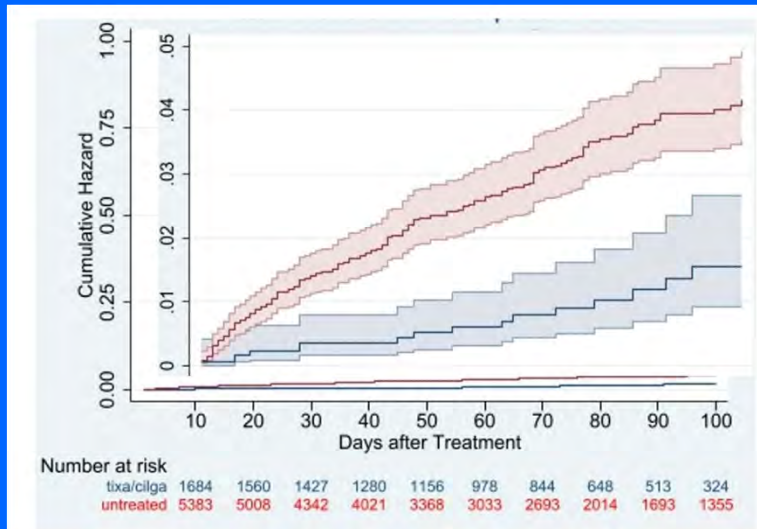
	Matched Controls N=6,354	Tixagevimab/cilgavimab recipients N=1,733	Propensity Score Survival Analysis	Difference in Difference <sup>^</sup> Analysis
	Number of Events (%)	Number of Events (%)	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	Incidence Rate Ratio (95% CI)
<b>Composite outcome (COVID-19 infection, COVID-19 hospitalization, and all-cause mortality)</b>				
Overall Cohort	206 (3.2%)	17 (1.0%)	0.31 (0.18-0.53)	
Immunocompromised	147 (3.5%)	12 (1.0%)	0.32 (0.18-0.62)	
Severely Immunocompromised	87 (3.7%)	11 (1.4%)	0.44 (0.21-0.93)	
Not Immunocompromised* but at High Risk	59 (2.8%)	<1% <sup>&amp;</sup>	0.27 (0.13-0.56)	
<b>Individual Outcome (Overall Cohort)</b>				
COVID-19 Infection	69 (1%)	<0.5% <sup>&amp;</sup>	0.34 (0.13-0.87)	0.32 (0.24-0.44)
COVID-19 related hospitalization	38 (0.5%)	<0.5% <sup>&amp;</sup>	0.13 (0.02-0.99)	0.10 (0.05-0.22)
All-cause Mortality	99 (2%)	<0.5% <sup>&amp;</sup>	0.36 (0.18-0.73)	
Falsification: Urinary Tract Infection	127 (2%)	36 (2%)	1.05 (0.68-1.62)	

<sup>^</sup> DiD analysis was not performed on outcomes involving mortality data because matched cohorts were all alive at index dates.  
<sup>\*</sup> Electronic data regarding immunocompromised conditions or immunosuppressant use were found.  
<sup>&</sup> Numbers not shown to protect patient information.

Young-Xu  
et al,  
2022

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## Tixagevimab/cilgavimab during omicron pre-review



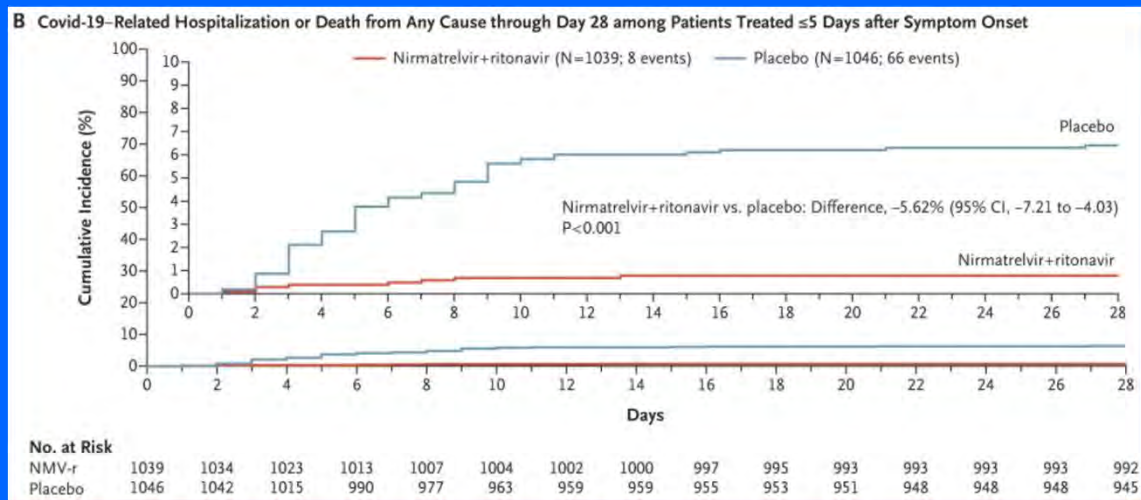
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## Current Therapeutics for Outpatients

- Monoclonals
  - Rapidly changing with variants
    - Bebtelovimab- currently available for omicron and subvariants
- Anti-virals, oral
  - Nirmatrelvir plus ritonavir (Paxlovid)
    - Protease inhibitors (ritonavir boosts levels)
    - Decrease risk of hospitalization by 88% in phase 2/3 study
      - No deaths in study compared to 12 in placebo
    - Approved for 12 years and older with significant risk of severe disease
    - Start within 5 days of symptoms, give for 5 days
    - Dose adjusted for GFR 30-60, and not for use <30 GFR
    - Check for drug-drug interactions
    - Main side effect: Metallic taste in mouth

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Hammond et al, NEJM 2022

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## Paxlovid™ rebound?

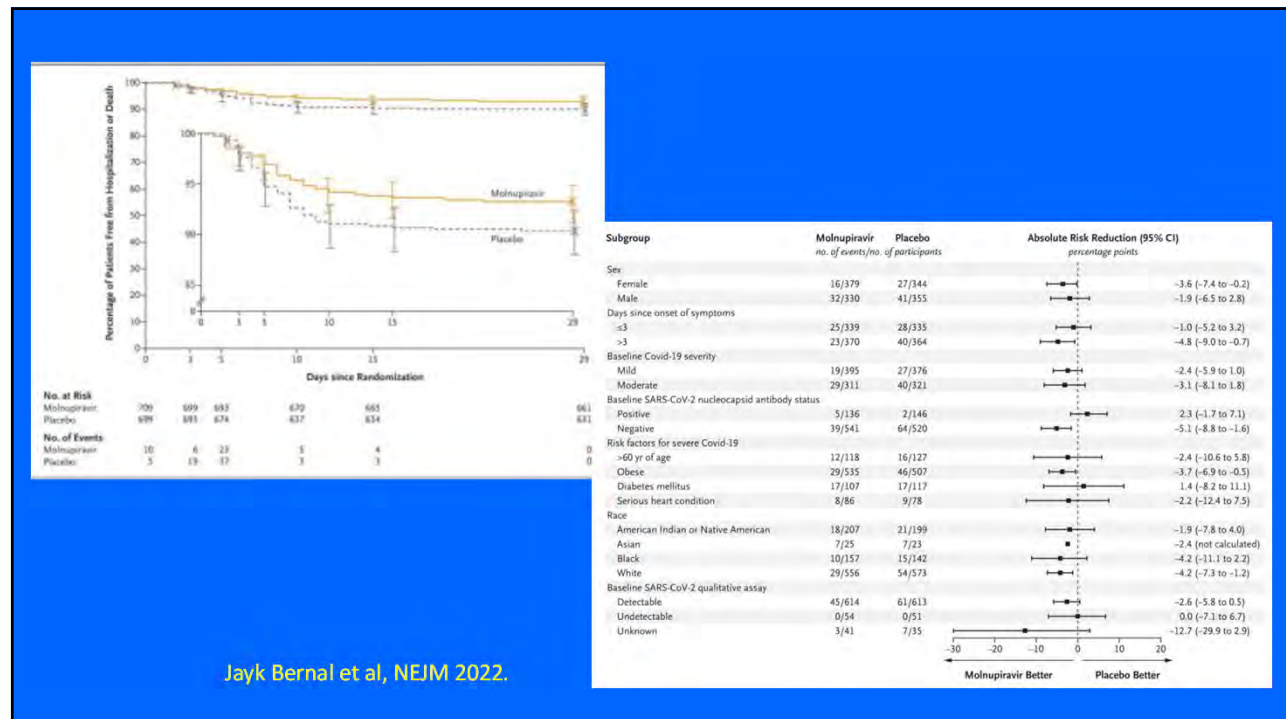
- Treated patients tested negative post therapy, and then tested positive again with some return of symptoms typically 2-8 days later
- Most with symptom resolution and test negativity again about 3 days later
- For most, mild symptoms, no need for repeat therapy.
- Evolving knowledge....will this be a bigger concern for our patients?

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# Current Therapeutics for Outpatients

- Molnupiravir
  - Cytidine nucleoside analogue that gets incorporated into the SARS-CoV2 RNA leading to errors in the RNA genome and inhibits replication
  - Decreased risk of hospitalization by 30%, and death by 89% in phase 2/3 study
  - Approved for 18 years old older with significant risk for severe disease
  - Start within 5 days of symptoms
  - 800mg BID x 5 days
  - No drug interactions.
  - No dose adjustments for renal or liver disease
  - Well tolerated
  - Mutagenicity potential- don't use in pregnancy!
  - Not approved for kids- may cause bone/cartilage issues

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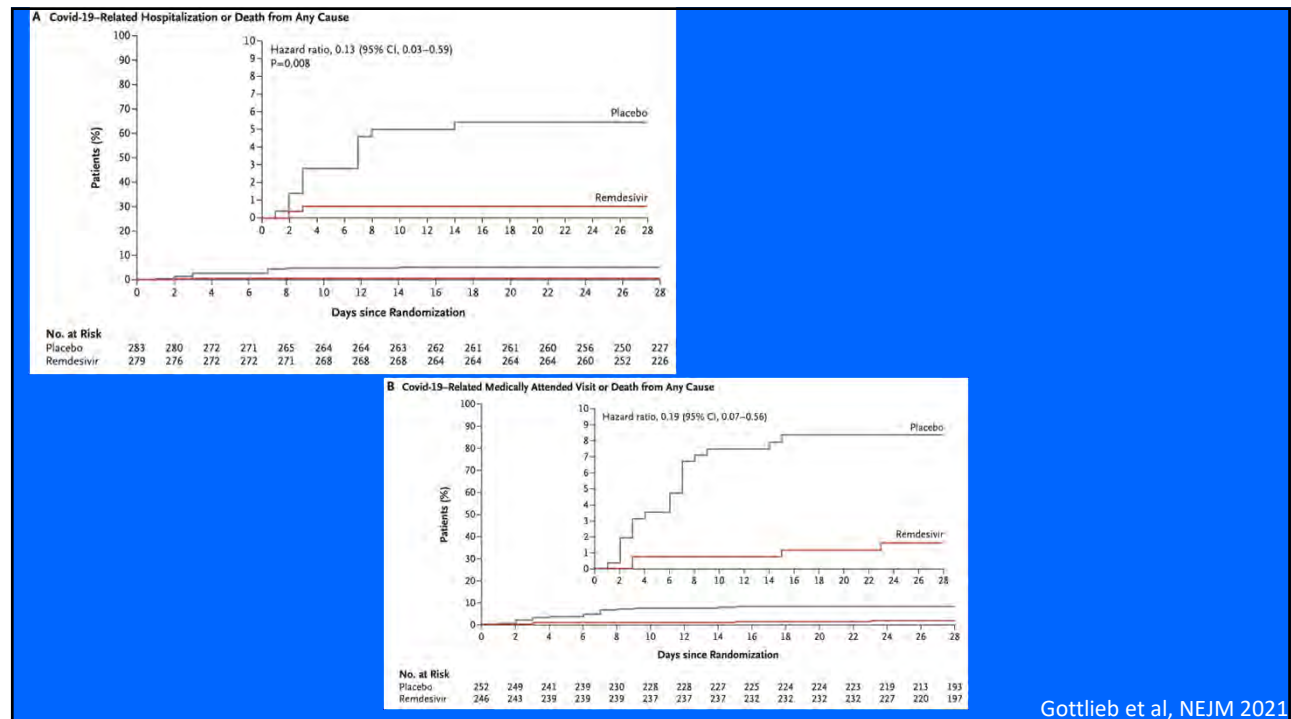
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## Current Outpatient Therapeutics

### Remdesivir IV therapy

- Inhibits RNA polymerase
- 3 day therapy for outpatients to decrease need for hospitalization, mortality
- Well tolerated
- Not studied for GFR less than 30- but can be considered
- Dosing for children and adults
- Minimal drug interactions
- Well tolerated- can increase LFTs

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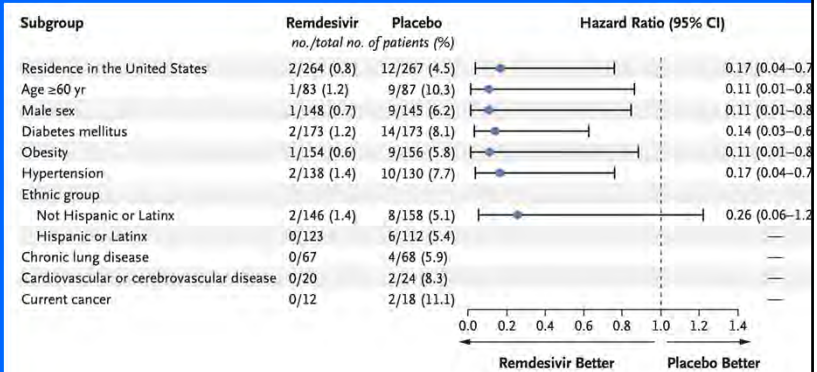


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## Outpatient Remdesivir

Coexisting conditions — no. (%)			
Diabetes mellitus	173 (62.0)	173 (61.1)	346 (61.6)
Obesity	154 (55.2)	156 (55.1)	310 (55.2)
Hypertension	138 (49.5)	130 (45.9)	268 (47.7)
Chronic lung disease	67 (24.0)	68 (24.0)	135 (24.0)
Current cancer	12 (4.3)	18 (6.4)	30 (5.3)
Cardiovascular or cerebrovascular disease	20 (7.2)	24 (8.5)	44 (7.8)
Immune compromise	14 (5.0)	9 (3.2)	23 (4.1)
Chronic kidney disease, mild or moderate	7 (2.5)	11 (3.9)	18 (3.2)
Chronic liver disease	1 (0.4)	1 (0.4)	2 (0.4)



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## Important therapy websites to help with therapy

- Drug interactions: <https://www.covid19-druginteractions.org>
- Finding medications: <https://covid-19-therapeuticslocator-dhhs.hub.arcgis.com>
- Evolving treatment guidelines: <https://www.covid19treatmentguidelines.nih.gov>

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## **2020 Updates to Asthma Management Guidelines: SMART Dosing in Asthma**

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# 2020 Updates to Asthma Management Guidelines: SMART Dosing in Asthma

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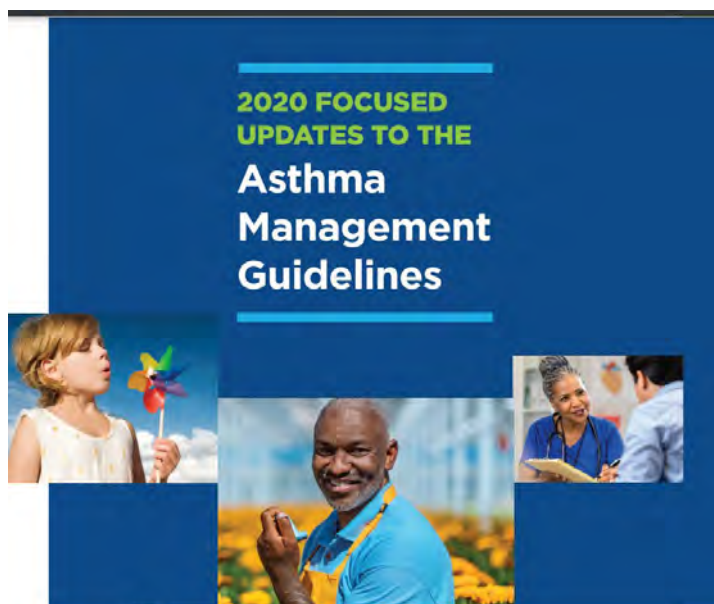
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# Objectives

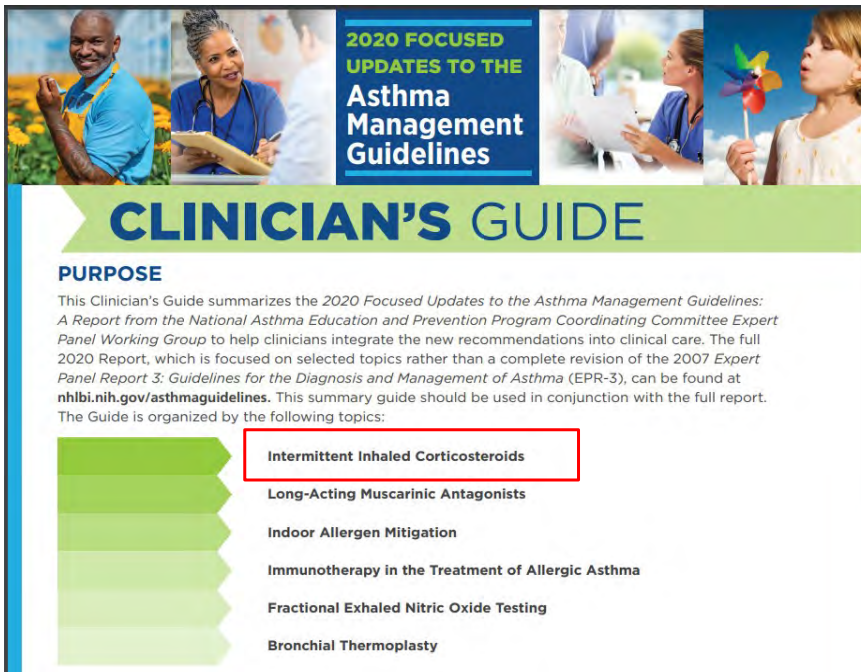
1. Understand changes to the 2020 Asthma Management Guidelines regarding single maintenance and relieve therapy (SMART)
2. Review the literature supporting SMART
3. Identify the target population and patients who would benefit from SMART

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**2020 FOCUSED UPDATES TO THE Asthma Management Guidelines**

## CLINICIAN'S GUIDE

**PURPOSE**

This Clinician's Guide summarizes the 2020 Focused Updates to the Asthma Management Guidelines: A Report from the National Asthma Education and Prevention Program Coordinating Committee Expert Panel Working Group to help clinicians integrate the new recommendations into clinical care. The full 2020 Report, which is focused on selected topics rather than a complete revision of the 2007 Expert Panel Report 3: Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Asthma (EPR-3), can be found at [nhlbi.nih.gov/asthmaguidelines](https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/asthmaguidelines). This summary guide should be used in conjunction with the full report. The Guide is organized by the following topics:

- Intermittent Inhaled Corticosteroids
- Long-Acting Muscarinic Antagonists
- Indoor Allergen Mitigation
- Immunotherapy in the Treatment of Allergic Asthma
- Fractional Exhaled Nitric Oxide Testing
- Bronchial Thermoplasty

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## In a Nutshell...

- “In individuals ages 4 years and older, the preferred Step 3 (low-dose ICS) and Step 4 (medium-dose ICS) therapy is single-inhaler ICS-formoterol both daily and as needed. In the literature, inhaled ICS-formoterol is referred to as ‘single maintenance and reliever therapy (SMART).’”

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## In Summary

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### AGES 5–11 YEARS: STEPWISE APPROACH FOR MANAGEMENT OF ASTHMA

	Intermittent Asthma	Management of Persistent Asthma in Individuals Ages 5–11 Years				
Treatment	STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4	STEP 5	STEP 6
<b>Preferred</b>	PRN SABA	Daily low-dose ICS and PRN SABA	Daily and PRN combination low-dose ICS-formoterol <sup>▲</sup>	Daily and PRN combination medium-dose ICS-formoterol <sup>▲</sup>	Daily high-dose ICS-LABA and PRN SABA	Daily high-dose ICS-LABA + oral systemic corticosteroid and PRN SABA
<b>Alternative</b>		Daily LTRA,* or Cromolyn,* or Nedocromil,* or Theophylline,* and PRN SABA	Daily medium-dose ICS and PRN SABA or Daily low-dose ICS-LABA, or daily low-dose ICS + LTRA,* or daily low-dose ICS + Theophylline,* and PRN SABA	Daily medium-dose ICS-LABA and PRN SABA or Daily medium-dose ICS + LTRA* or daily medium-dose ICS + Theophylline,* and PRN SABA	Daily high-dose ICS + LTRA* or daily high-dose ICS + Theophylline,* and PRN SABA	Daily high-dose ICS + LTRA* + oral systemic corticosteroid or daily high-dose ICS + Theophylline* + oral systemic corticosteroid, and PRN SABA
		Steps 2–4: Conditionally recommend the use of subcutaneous immunotherapy as an adjunct treatment to standard pharmacotherapy in individuals ≥ 5 years of age whose asthma is controlled at the initiation, build up, and maintenance phases of immunotherapy <sup>▲</sup>			Consider Omalizumab** <sup>▲</sup>	

#### Assess Control

- First check adherence, inhaler technique, environmental factors,<sup>▲</sup> and comorbid conditions.
  - **Step up** if needed; reassess in 2–6 weeks
  - **Step down** if possible (if asthma is well controlled for at least 3 consecutive months)
- Consult with asthma specialist if Step 4 or higher is required. Consider consultation at Step 3.
- Control assessment is a key element of asthma care. This involves both impairment and risk. Use of objective measures, self-reported control, and health care utilization are complementary and should be employed on an ongoing basis, depending on the individual's clinical situation.

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**ESTIMATED COMPARATIVE DAILY DOSAGES: INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS FOR LONG-TERM ASTHMA CONTROL**

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*
<b>MEDICATION</b>									
<b>Beclomethasone MDI<sup>†</sup></b>	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
<b>Budesonide DPI<sup>†</sup></b>	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 <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	3-4 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day		1-3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day		
180 mcg/inhalation					2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	≈3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	1 inh <sup>†</sup> am, 2 inh <sup>†</sup> pm	2-3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	≈4 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day
<b>Budesonide Nebules</b>	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 <sup>†</sup> /day			1 neb <sup>†</sup> 2x/day					
0.5 mg	1 neb <sup>†</sup> /day	2 nebs <sup>†</sup> /day	3 nebs <sup>†</sup> /day	1 neb <sup>†</sup> /day	1 neb <sup>†</sup> 2x/day				
1.0 mg		1 neb <sup>†</sup> /day	2 nebs <sup>†</sup> /day		1 neb <sup>†</sup> /day	1 neb <sup>†</sup> 2x/day			
<b>Ciclesonide MDI<sup>†</sup></b>	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
<b>Flunisolide MDI<sup>†</sup></b>	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

\* It is preferable to use a higher mcg/puff or mcg/inhalation formulation to achieve as low a number of puffs or inhalations as possible.

<sup>†</sup> Abbreviations: DPI, dry powder inhaler (requires deep, fast inhalation); inh, inhalation; MDI, metered dose inhaler (releases a puff of medication); neb, nebulizer.

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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*
<b>MEDICATION</b>									
<b>Fluticasone MDI<sup>†</sup></b>	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
<b>Fluticasone DPI<sup>†</sup></b>	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 <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	3-4 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day		1-3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day		
100 mcg/inhalation				1 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	>2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day		2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	≈3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day
250 mcg/inhalation						1 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day		1 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	≈2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day
<b>Mometasone DPI<sup>†</sup></b>	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 <sup>†</sup> /day	1-2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	≈3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	1-2 inh <sup>†</sup> pm	3-4 inh <sup>†</sup> pm or 2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	≈3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day
220 mcg/inhalation					1-2 inh <sup>†</sup> /day	≈3 inh <sup>†</sup> divided in 2 doses	1 inh <sup>†</sup> pm	1 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day or 2 inh <sup>†</sup> pm	≈3 inh <sup>†</sup> divided in 2 doses

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## SMART for ages 5-11

- For individuals with moderate to severe persistent asthma already taking low- or medium-dose ICS (Steps 3 and 4) the **preferred treatment** is a single inhaler with **ICS-formoterol** used both daily and as needed.
- In Steps 3 and 4, the preferred option includes the use of ICS-formoterol 1 to 2 puffs as needed up to a maximum total daily maintenance and rescue dose of **8 puffs (36 mcg)**
- *Individuals with a severe exacerbation* in the prior year are particularly good candidates for SMART to reduce exacerbations.
- Do not use ICS-formoterol as reliever therapy in individuals taking ICS-salmeterol as maintenance therapy.
- Individuals whose asthma is uncontrolled on maintenance ICS-LABA with SABA as quick-relief therapy should receive the preferred SMART if possible *before moving to a higher step of therapy*.
- In children ages 4–11 years, there may be a lower risk of growth suppression among those taking SMART versus daily higher-dose ICS treatment.

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AGES 12+ YEARS: STEPWISE APPROACH FOR MANAGEMENT OF ASTHMA							
		Intermittent Asthma	Management of Persistent Asthma in Individuals Ages 12+ Years				
Treatment		STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4	STEP 5	STEP 6 <sup>a</sup>
Preferred		PRN SABA	Daily low-dose ICS and PRN SABA or PRN concomitant ICS and SABA <sup>▲</sup>	Daily and PRN combination low-dose ICS-formoterol <sup>▲</sup>	Daily and PRN combination medium-dose ICS-formoterol <sup>▲</sup>	Daily medium-high dose ICS-LABA + LAMA and PRN SABA <sup>▲</sup>	Daily high-dose ICS-LABA + oral systemic corticosteroids + PRN SABA
Alternative			Daily LTRA <sup>*</sup> and PRN SABA or Cromolyn <sup>*</sup> or Nedocromil <sup>*</sup> or Zileuton <sup>*</sup> or Theophylline <sup>*</sup> and PRN SABA	Daily medium-dose ICS and PRN SABA or Daily low-dose ICS-LABA, or daily low-dose ICS + LAMA, <sup>▲</sup> or daily low-dose ICS + LTRA <sup>*</sup> and PRN SABA or Daily low-dose ICS + Theophylline <sup>*</sup> or Zileuton <sup>*</sup> and PRN SABA	Daily medium-dose ICS-LABA or daily medium-dose ICS + LAMA, and PRN SABA <sup>▲</sup> or Daily medium-dose ICS + LTRA <sup>*</sup> or daily medium-dose ICS + Theophylline <sup>*</sup> or daily medium-dose ICS + Zileuton <sup>*</sup> and PRN SABA	Daily medium-high dose ICS-LABA or daily high-dose ICS + LTRA <sup>*</sup> and PRN SABA	
		Steps 2-4: Conditionally recommend the use of subcutaneous immunotherapy as an adjunct treatment to standard pharmacotherapy in individuals ≥ 5 years of age whose asthma is controlled at the initiation, build up, and maintenance phases of immunotherapy <sup>▲</sup>					Consider adding Asthma Biologics (e.g., anti-IgE, anti-IL3, anti-IL5, anti-IL4/8/13) <sup>▲</sup>
<b>Assess Control</b>							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• First check adherence, inhaler technique, environmental factors, <sup>▲</sup> and comorbid conditions.</li><li>• <b>Step up</b> if needed; reassess in 2-6 weeks</li><li>• <b>Step down</b> if possible (if asthma is well controlled for at least 3 consecutive months)</li></ul>							
Consult with asthma specialist if Step 4 or higher is required. Consider consultation at Step 3.							
Control assessment is a key element of asthma care. This involves both impairment and risk. Use of objective measures, self-reported control, and health care utilization are complementary and should be employed on an ongoing basis, depending on the individual's clinical situation.							

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## ESTIMATED COMPARATIVE DAILY DOSAGES: INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS FOR LONG-TERM ASTHMA CONTROL

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*
<b>MEDICATION</b>									
<b>Beclomethasone MDI<sup>†</sup></b>	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
<b>Budesonide DPI<sup>†</sup></b>	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 <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	3-4 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day		1-3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day		
180 mcg/inhalation					2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	≈3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	1 inh <sup>†</sup> am, 2 inh <sup>†</sup> pm	2-3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	≈4 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day
<b>Budesonide Nebules</b>	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 <sup>†</sup> /day			1 neb <sup>†</sup> 2x/day					
0.5 mg	1 neb <sup>†</sup> /day	2 nebs <sup>†</sup> /day	3 nebs <sup>†</sup> /day	1 neb <sup>†</sup> /day	1 neb <sup>†</sup> 2x/day				
1.0 mg		1 neb <sup>†</sup> /day	2 nebs <sup>†</sup> /day		1 neb <sup>†</sup> /day	1 neb <sup>†</sup> 2x/day			
<b>Ciclesonide MDI<sup>†</sup></b>	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
<b>Flunisolide MDI<sup>†</sup></b>	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

\* It is preferable to use a higher mcg/puff or mcg/inhalation formulation to achieve as low a number of puffs or inhalations as possible.

† Abbreviations: DPI, dry powder inhaler (requires deep, fast inhalation); inh, inhalation; MDI, metered dose inhaler (releases a puff of medication); neb, nebulizer.

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## ESTIMATED COMPARATIVE DAILY DOSAGES: INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS FOR LONG-TERM ASTHMA CONTROL (continued)

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*
<b>MEDICATION</b>									
<b>Fluticasone MDI<sup>†</sup></b>	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
<b>Fluticasone DPI<sup>†</sup></b>	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 <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	3-4 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day		1-3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day		
100 mcg/inhalation				1 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	>2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day		2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	≈3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day
250 mcg/inhalation						1 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day		1 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	≈2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day
<b>Mometasone DPI<sup>†</sup></b>	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 <sup>†</sup> /day	1-2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	≈3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	1-2 inh <sup>†</sup> pm	3-4 inh <sup>†</sup> pm or 2 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day	≈3 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day
220 mcg/inhalation					1-2 inh <sup>†</sup> /day	≈3 inh <sup>†</sup> divided in 2 doses	1 inh <sup>†</sup> pm	1 inh <sup>†</sup> 2x/day or 2 inh <sup>†</sup> pm	≈3 inh <sup>†</sup> divided in 2 doses

\* It is preferable to use a higher mcg/puff or mcg/inhalation formulation to achieve as low a number of puffs or inhalations as possible.

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## SMART for ages 12+

- For individuals with moderate to severe persistent asthma already taking low- or medium-dose ICS (Steps 3-4), the **preferred treatment is a single inhaler with ICS-formoterol (SMART)** used both daily and as needed.
- In steps 3 and 4, the preferred option includes the use of ICS-formoterol 1 to 2 puffs as needed up to a maximum total daily maintenance and rescue dose of **12 puffs (54 mcg)**.
- *Individuals with a severe exacerbation in the prior year* are particularly good candidates for SMART to reduce exacerbations.
- Do not use ICS-formoterol as reliever therapy in individuals taking ICS-salmeterol as maintenance therapy.
- Individuals whose asthma is uncontrolled on maintenance ICS-LABA with SABA as quick-relief therapy should receive the preferred *SMART if possible before moving to a higher step of therapy*

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## NAEEP vs. GINA?

- GINA = Global Initiative for Asthma
- More of a living document with frequent updates
- Adopted SMART in 2014
- In 2019, low-dose ICS-formoterol became the preferred reliever or 12+ and is an option for 6-11 years

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## Children 6-11 years

### Personalized asthma management: Assess, Adjust, Review

Symptoms  
Exacerbations  
Side-effects  
Lung function  
Child and parent satisfaction



Confirmation of diagnosis if necessary  
Symptom control & modifiable risk factors (including lung function)  
Comorbidities  
Inhaler technique & adherence  
Child and parent preferences and goals



Treatment of modifiable risk factors & comorbidities  
Non-pharmacological strategies  
Asthma medications (adjust down or up)  
Education & skills training

### Asthma medication options: Adjust treatment up and down for individual child's needs

#### PREFERRED CONTROLLER to prevent exacerbations and control symptoms

Other controller options

#### RELIEVER

STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4	STEP 5
Low dose ICS taken whenever SABA taken	Daily low dose inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) (see table of ICS dose ranges for children)	Low dose ICS-LABA, OR medium dose ICS, OR very low dose* ICS-formoterol maintenance and reliever (MART)	Medium dose ICS-LABA, OR low dose ICS-formoterol maintenance and reliever (MART). Refer for expert advice	Refer for phenotypic assessment ± higher dose ICS-LABA or add-on therapy, e.g. anti-IgE
Consider daily low dose ICS	Daily leukotriene receptor antagonist (LTRA), or low dose ICS taken whenever SABA taken	Low dose ICS + LTRA	Add tiotropium or add LTRA	Add-on anti-IL5, or add-on low dose ICS, but consider side-effects

As-needed short-acting beta2-agonist (or ICS-formoterol reliever for MART as above)

\*Very low dose: BUD-FORM 100/6 mcg  
†Low dose: BUD-FORM 200/6 mcg (metered doses).

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## Adults & adolescents 12+ years

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

Symptoms  
Exacerbations  
Side-effects  
Lung function  
Patient satisfaction



Confirmation of diagnosis if necessary  
Symptom control & modifiable risk factors (including lung function)  
Comorbidities  
Inhaler technique & adherence  
Patient preferences and goals



Treatment of modifiable risk factors & comorbidities  
Non-pharmacological strategies  
Asthma medications (adjust down/up/between tracks)  
Education & skills training

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

STEPS 1 – 2	STEP 3	STEP 4	STEP 5
As-needed low dose ICS-formoterol	Low dose maintenance ICS-formoterol	Medium dose maintenance ICS-formoterol	Add-on LAMA. Refer for phenotypic assessment ± anti-IgE, anti-IL5/5R, anti-IL4R. Consider high dose ICS-formoterol

RELIEVER: As-needed low-dose ICS-formoterol

#### 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

STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4	STEP 5
Take ICS whenever SABA taken	Low dose maintenance ICS	Low dose maintenance ICS-LABA	Medium/high dose maintenance ICS-LABA	Add-on LAMA. Refer for phenotypic assessment ± anti-IgE, anti-IL5/5R, anti-IL4R. Consider high dose ICS-LABA

RELIEVER: As-needed short-acting β2-agonist

Other controller options for either track

Low dose ICS whenever SABA taken, or daily LTRA, or add LTRA, or add LTRA + ICS

Medium dose ICS, or add LTRA, or add LTRA + ICS

Add LAMA or LTRA or add LAMA + ICS, or switch to high-dose ICS

Add a biologic (adults) or LTRA, add low dose ICS but consider side-effects

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## Why SMART?

- Let's review the evidence

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## Why formoterol?

- Onset of action is rapid like albuterol
- Patients get quick relief
- Has the added advantage of a longer duration of action

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# Budesonide/Formoterol Combination Therapy as Both Maintenance and Reliever Medication in Asthma

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TABLE 1. PATIENTS' BASELINE CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Bud + SABA (n = 926)	Bud/form + SABA (n = 909)	Bud/form Maintenance + Relief (n = 925)
Male/female, n	416/510	394/515	421/504
Age, yr	36 (4–79)	36 (4–79)	35 (4–77)
4–11 years, n (%)	106 (11)	117 (13)	118 (13)
Asthma duration, yr	9 (0–69)	9 (0–65)	9 (0–63)
FEV <sub>1</sub> , L	2.14 (0.64–4.02)	2.10 (0.62–4.50)	2.13 (0.65–4.28)
FEV <sub>1</sub> , % predicted normal	73 (49–100)	73 (46–108)	73 (43–108)
FEV <sub>1</sub> reversibility, %	21 (3–77)	21 (12–75)	21 (2–89)
ICS dose at entry,* µg/day	620 (100–1000)	598 (200–1,000)	619 (200–1,200)
Inhaled LABA use at study entry <sup>†</sup>	256 (28)	258 (29)	250 (27)
Reliever use, number of inhalations/day	1.69 (0.0–7.0)	1.69 (0.0–9.4)	1.74 (0.0–8.0)
Reliever use, number of inhalations/night	0.72 (0.0–3.7)	0.73 (0.0–6.6)	0.72 (0.0–5.7)
Asthma symptom score (scale 0–6)	1.5 (0.0–5.6)	1.4 (0.0–5.2)	1.5 (0.0–6.0)
Symptom-free days, %	23.5 (0–100)	24.0 (0–100)	23.1 (0–100)
Reliever-free days, %	8.8 (0–100)	8.3 (0–100)	8.2 (0–100)
Asthma control days, %	5.6 (0–90)	5.9 (0–80)	5.4 (0–90)
Awakenings, % of nights	20.6 (0–100)	20.2 (0–100)	21.8 (0–100)

Definition of abbreviations: Bud = budesonide; form = formoterol; ICS = inhaled corticosteroids; LABA = long-acting  $\beta_2$ -agonist; SABA = short-acting  $\beta_2$ -agonist.

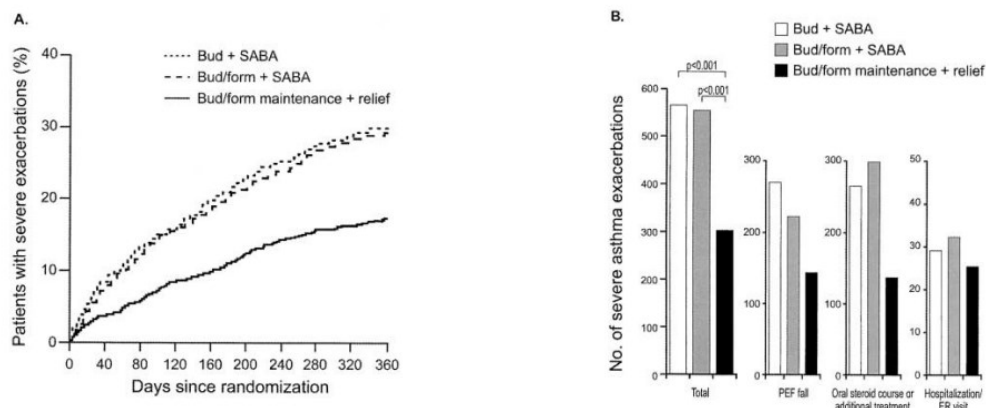
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\*Values are a combination of metered and delivered doses.

<sup>†</sup> Includes combinations of ICS/LABA and LABA.

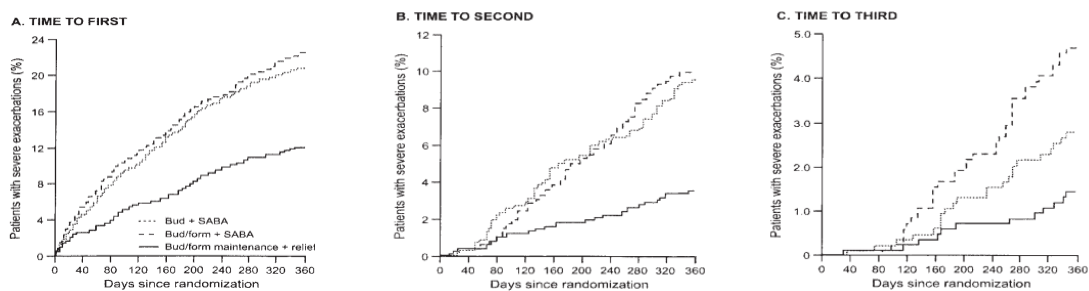
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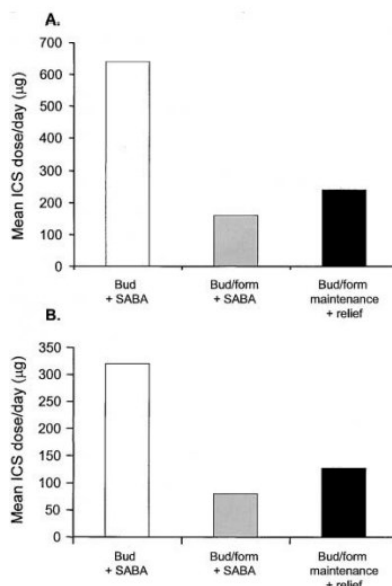
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TABLE 2. CLINICAL OUTCOMES

Variable	Bud + SABA	Bud/form + SABA	Bud/form Maintenance + Relief	p Values		
				Bud/form + SABA vs. Bud + SABA	Bud/form Maintenance + Relief vs. Bud + SABA	Bud/form Maintenance + Relief vs. Bud/form + SABA
Severe exacerbations including PEF falls						
Patients with event, %*	28	27	16	0.74	< 0.001	< 0.001
Events/patient/year <sup>†</sup>	0.68	0.68	0.36	0.98	< 0.001	< 0.001
Severe exacerbations resulting in medical intervention						
Patients with event, %*	19	21	11	0.37	< 0.001	< 0.001
Events/patient/year <sup>†</sup>	0.35	0.40	0.19	0.11	< 0.001	< 0.001
Daily control measures						
Daytime symptom score <sup>‡</sup>	0.59	0.50	0.48	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.12
Night-time symptom score <sup>‡</sup>	0.42	0.36	0.31	0.01	< 0.001	< 0.001
Reliever use, inh/s/day	1.03	0.84	0.73	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Reliever use, inh/s/night	0.43	0.37	0.28	0.003	< 0.001	< 0.001
Symptom-free days, %	46	53	54	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.52
Reliever-free days, %	45	54	55	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.60
Asthma control days, % <sup>§</sup>	37	44	45	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.64
Awakenings, % of nights	12	12	9	0.60	< 0.001	< 0.001
Mild exacerbation days, % <sup>  </sup>	20	23	17	0.06	0.03	< 0.001
Morning PEF, L/min	339	346	355	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Evening PEF, L/min	345	349	360	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
FEV <sub>1</sub> , L	2.41	2.43	2.51	0.09	< 0.001	< 0.001

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A: Patients 12-80 years

B: Patients 4-11 years

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**TABLE 3. COMMON ADVERSE EVENTS BY TYPE ( $\geq 5\%$  INCIDENCE) AND ANY PHARMACOLOGICALLY PREDICTABLE ADVERSE EVENTS**

	Number of Patients (%)		
	Bud + SABA (n = 925)	Bud/form + SABA (n = 906)	Bud/form Maintenance + Relief (n = 922)
Respiratory infection	182 (20)	144 (16)	158 (17)
Pharyngitis	86 (9)	88 (10)	88 (10)
Rhinitis	76 (8)	72 (8)	80 (9)
Bronchitis	76 (8)	61 (7)	51 (6)
Sinusitis	33 (4)	39 (4)	43 (5)
Headache	42 (5)	35 (4)	31 (3)
Pharmacologically predictable events			
Tremor	19 (2)	18 (2)	20 (2)
Palpitation	3 (< 0.5)	11 (1)	10 (1)
Tachycardia	3 (< 0.5)	4 (< 0.5)	5 (0.5)
Candidiasis	10 (1)	6 (1)	9 (1)
Dysphonia	12 (1)	13 (1)	11 (1)

Definition of abbreviations: Bud = budesonide; form = formoterol; SABA = short-acting  $\beta_2$ -agonist.

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## Effect of budesonide in combination with formoterol for reliever therapy in asthma exacerbations: a randomised controlled, double-blind study

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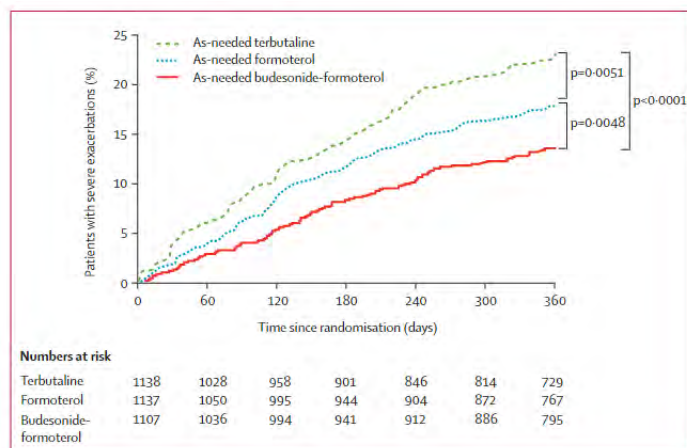
	Terbutaline as-needed group (n=1141)	Formoterol as-needed group (n=1140)	Budesonide-formoterol as-needed group (n=1113)
Men, n (%)	450 (39%)	458 (40%)	437 (39%)
Age, years	43 (12-83)	42 (12-81)	42 (12-89)
Median (range) asthma duration, years	10 (1-69)	10 (1-77)	9 (0-64)
FEV <sub>1</sub> , L	2.16 (0.68-4.58)	2.20 (0.74-4.58)	2.21 (0.61-4.68)
FEV <sub>1</sub> (pre-terbutaline), % predicted	72 (39-100)	72 (38-115) <sup>†</sup>	72 (30-110) <sup>†</sup>
FEV <sub>1</sub> reversibility, %	24 (11-90)	24 (0-96)	24 (6-132)
ICS dose at entry, µg/day	751 (250-1600)	758 (320-1600)	757 (160-1600)
Inhaled LABA use at entry, % of patients	59%	59%	59%
Mean daily asthma control measures ‡			
Total asthma symptom score (scale 0-6)	1.74 (0.00-6.00)	1.70 (0.00-6.00)	1.71 (0.00-5.71)
Reliever use, number of inhalations per 24 h	1.9 (0.3-9.7)	1.9 (0.0-9.1)	1.8 (0.0-8.9)
Nights with awakenings, %	30.3 (0-100)	28.0 (0-100)	31.1 (0-100)
Asthma-control days§, %	8.3 (0-50)	8.3 (0-80)	9.2 (0-90)
ACQ-5¶	1.9 (0-4.8)	1.9 (0-5.4)	1.9 (0-4.8)

Data are mean (range) unless otherwise indicated. ACQ-5=Asthma control questionnaire (5-item symptom and activity version). FEV<sub>1</sub>=forced expiratory volume in 1 s. ICS=inhaled corticosteroid. LABA=long-acting β<sub>2</sub> agonist. \*All patients received budesonide-formoterol 160/4.5 µg one inhalation twice daily for maintenance therapy. †Deviation from inclusion criteria (included in all statistical analyses). ‡Average over the past 10 days of run-in. §A night and day with no asthma symptoms (symptom score=0), a night with no awakenings due to asthma symptoms, and a night and day with no use of as-needed medication. ¶ACQ-5 was measured at visit 2.

**Table 1: Baseline characteristics of patients using maintenance budesonide-formoterol plus alternative reliever medications\***

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**Figure 2: Kaplan-Meier plot of time to first severe asthma exacerbation**

Time to first severe asthma exacerbation defined as a deterioration in asthma resulting in hospitalisation, emergency room treatment, or the need for oral steroids for 3 days or more because of asthma (as judged by investigator). Patients received maintenance budesonide-formoterol 160/4.5 µg, one inhalation twice daily, plus one of the following for as-needed relief: additional inhalations of budesonide-formoterol 160/4.5 µg; formoterol 4.5 µg; or terbutaline 0.4 mg. Significant between-group differences were derived from a log-rank test.

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	Reliever medication group			Treatment comparison of hazard ratios (95% CI)		
	Terbutaline as-needed (n=1138)	Formoterol as-needed (n=1137)	Budesonide-formoterol as-needed (n=1107)	Formoterol versus terbutaline	Budesonide-formoterol versus terbutaline	Budesonide-formoterol versus formoterol
<b>Severe exacerbations (all definitions)</b>						
Patients with event, n (%)	245 (22%)	195 (17%)	143 (13%)	0.76* (0.63-0.92); p=0.004	0.55* (0.45-0.68); p<0.0001	0.73* (0.59-0.90); p=0.0038
Total events (days with events)	377 (3030)	296 (2214)	194 (1353)			
Rate, events per 100 patients per year	37	29	19	0.78† (0.67-0.91); p=0.0012	0.52† (0.44-0.62); p<0.0001	0.67† (0.56-0.80); p<0.0001
<b>Emergency room visits or hospitalisations</b>						
Patients with event, n (%)	91 (8%)	75 (7%)	54 (5%)	0.79* (0.58-1.07); p=0.12	0.57* (0.41-0.81); p=0.0013	0.73* (0.51-1.04); p=0.079
Total events (days with events)	115 (392)	98 (282)	70 (218)			
Rate, events per 100 patients per year	7	5	4	0.83† (0.63-1.08); p=0.17	0.61† (0.45-0.82); p=0.0010	0.73† (0.54-0.99); p=0.046
<b>Mild exacerbations</b>						
Patients with event, n (%)	887 (78%)	873 (77%)	811 (74%)	0.97* (0.88-1.06); p=0.47	0.88* (0.80-0.97); p=0.0075	0.91* (0.83-1.00); p=0.050
Rate, days per patient per year	69	63	57	0.91† (0.83-1.00); p=0.058	0.82† (0.74-0.91); p=0.0001	0.90† (0.81-1.00); p=0.043

All patients received budesonide-formoterol 160/4.5 µg one inhalation twice daily for maintenance therapy. \*Treatment comparisons of hazard ratios from a Cox proportional hazards model of time to first severe exacerbation. †Comparisons of relative rates from a Poisson regression.

**Table 2: Severe and mild asthma exacerbations in patients using maintenance budesonide-formoterol plus alternative reliever medications**

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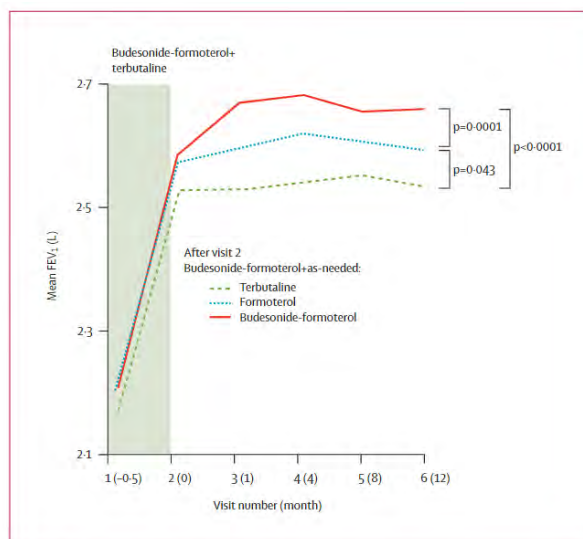
	Change from run-in			Treatment comparison (95% CI); p*		
	Terbutaline as-needed (n=1138)	Formoterol as-needed (n=1137)	Budesonide-formoterol as-needed (n=1107)	Formoterol versus terbutaline	Budesonide-formoterol versus terbutaline	Budesonide-formoterol versus formoterol
<b>Symptom control</b>						
Asthma symptom score (scale 0-6)†	-0.58	-0.57	-0.69	0.01 (-0.05 to 0.07); p=0.72	-0.11 (-0.17 to -0.05); p=0.0007	-0.12 (-0.18 to -0.06); p=0.0002
Reliever use, number of inhalations per 24 h†	-0.64	-0.67	-0.84	-0.03 (-0.11 to 0.05); p=0.48	-0.20 (-0.28 to -0.11); p<0.0001	-0.17 (-0.25 to -0.08); p<0.0001
Nights with awakenings, %†	-13.5%	-14.0%	-16.0%	-0.6 (-2.2 to 1.1); p=0.51	-2.6 (-4.3 to -0.9); p=0.0025	-2.0 (-3.7 to -0.4); p=0.018
Asthma-control days, %†	29.3%	28.8%	31.2%	-0.5 (-3.1 to 2.2); p=0.74	1.9 (-0.7 to 4.6); p=0.16	2.4 (-0.3 to 5.1); p=0.079
ACQ-5‡	-0.49	-0.53	-0.63	-0.04 (-0.10, 0.02); p=0.21	-0.15 (-0.21, -0.08); p<0.0001	-0.11 (-0.17, -0.04); p=0.0009
<b>Lung function¶</b>						
FEV <sub>1</sub> (L)‡	-0.02	0.01	0.06	0.03 (0.001 to 0.05); p=0.043	0.08 (0.05 to 0.10); p<0.0001	0.05 (0.02 to 0.08); p=0.00014
Morning PEF (L/min)†	7.9	10.6	15.3	2.7 (-0.6 to 5.9); p=0.11	7.5 (4.2 to 10.7); p<0.0001	4.8 (1.5 to 8.0); p=0.0040
Evening PEF (L/min)†	7.5	8.5	13.8	0.9 (-2.3 to 4.1); p=0.57	6.3 (3.1 to 9.5); p=0.00014	5.4 (2.1 to 8.6); p=0.0011

All patients received budesonide-formoterol 160/4.5 µg one inhalation twice daily for maintenance therapy. ACQ-5=Asthma Control Questionnaire (5-item symptom and activity version); FEV<sub>1</sub>=forced expiratory volume in 1 s; PEF=peak expiratory flow. \*ANOVA. †Data are presented as adjusted mean change from run-in to the treatment period. ‡Data are presented as adjusted mean change from visit 2 (day 0) to the average value of available data during clinic visits.

**Table 3: Changes from run-in in symptom control and lung function in patients using maintenance budesonide-formoterol plus alternative reliever medications**

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**Figure 3: Mean FEV<sub>1</sub> over time**  
The shaded area represents the run-in period. Patients received maintenance budesonide-formoterol 160/4.5 µg, one inhalation twice daily, plus as-needed terbutaline during run-in. Post-randomisation, patients received budesonide-formoterol 160/4.5 µg 1 inhalation twice daily plus one of the following for as-needed relief: additional inhalations of budesonide-formoterol 160/4.5 µg; formoterol 4.5 µg; or terbutaline 0.4 mg. FEV<sub>1</sub>=forced expiratory volume in 1 s.

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	Number of patients with event (%)		
	Terbutaline as-needed group (n=1138)	Formoterol as-needed group (n=1137)	Budesonide-formoterol as-needed group (n=1107)
SAEs reported as asthma	26 (2%)	23 (2%)	16 (1%)
DAEs reported as asthma	10 (1%)	14 (1%)	1 (0.1%)
Pharmacologically predictable adverse events			
Tremor	2 (0.2%)	4 (0.4%)	1 (0.1%)
Palpitation/tachycardia	4 (0.4%)	6 (0.5%)	7 (0.6%)
Hoarseness	7 (0.6%)	11 (1%)	7 (0.6%)
Oral candidosis*	10 (1%)	11 (1%)	22 (2%)
Dysphonia	0 (0)	1 (0.1%)	0 (0)

SAE=serious adverse event. DAE=adverse event leading to discontinuation of the patient from the study. \*Includes oral candidosis and any adverse event considered closely related to oral candidosis (ie, pharyngeal candidosis, oropharyngitis fungal, or oral fungal infection).

**Table 4: Adverse events reported as asthma and pharmacologically predictable adverse events**

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## Controlled Trial of Budesonide–Formoterol as Needed for Mild Asthma

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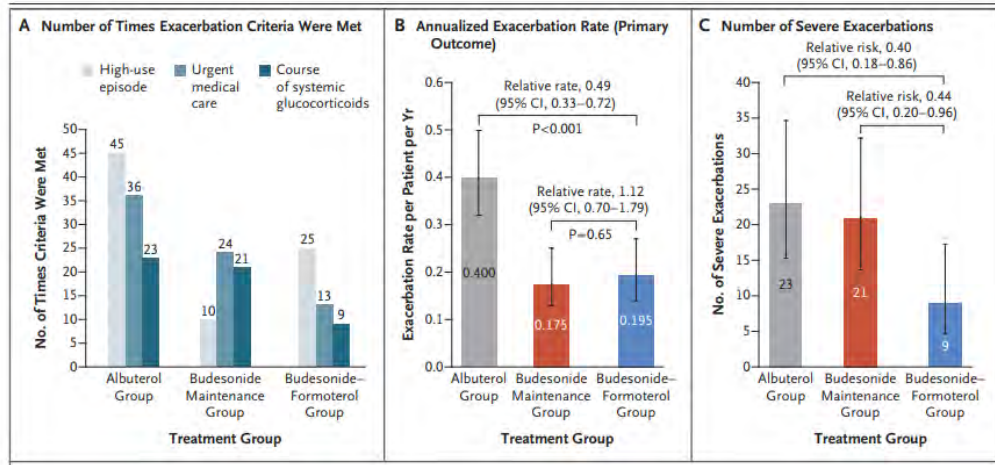
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**Table 1. Characteristics of the Patients at Baseline.\***

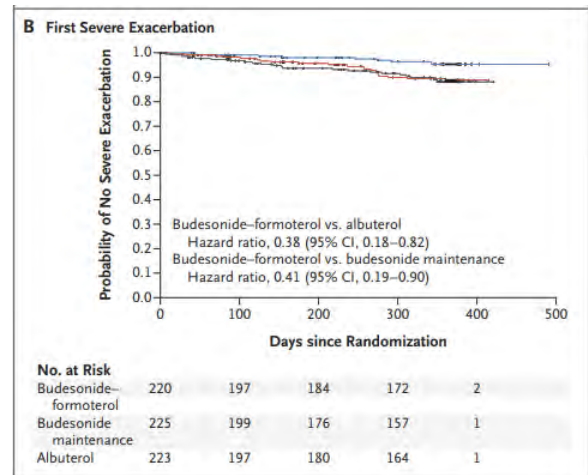
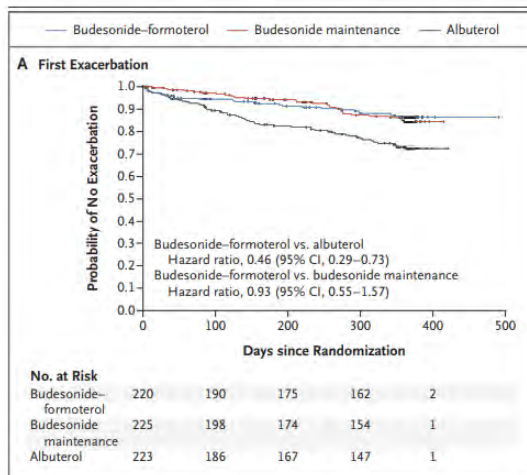
Characteristic	Albuterol Group (N=223)	Budesonide Maintenance Group (N=225)	Budesonide–Formoterol Group (N=220)
Age — yr	35.8±14.0	34.9±14.3	36±14.1
Female sex — no. (%)	113 (50.7)	129 (57.3)	122 (55.5)
Current smoker — no. (%)	24 (10.8)	22 (9.8)	18 (8.2)
Patient-reported SABA use in the 4 weeks before enrollment			
No. of occasions per wk			
Mean	3.4±3.3	3.2±3.0	3.8±3.5
Median (IQR)	2 (1–4)	2 (1–4)	3 (1–5)
Range	0–14	0.5–14	0.5–14
Patients who had ≥2 occasions per wk — no. (%)	127 (57.0)	132 (58.7)	105 (47.7)
Puffs per wk			
Mean	6.52±7.83	5.82±5.25	6.98±6.91
Median (IQR)	4 (2–8)	4 (2–7)	4 (2–8)
Range	0–84	0.5–28	0.5–42
No. of hospital admissions for asthma at any time before enrollment — mean per patient	0.3±0.9	0.3±0.9	0.3±1.3
No. of severe exacerbations in the previous 12 mo. — no. (%)			
0	203 (91.0)	208 (92.4)	208 (94.5)
1	20 (9.0)	15 (6.7)	12 (5.5)
2	0	2 (0.9)	0
Any	20 (9.0)	17 (7.6)	12 (5.5)
ACQ-5 score†	1.1±0.7	1.1±0.7	1.1±0.7
On-treatment FEV <sub>1</sub> — % of predicted value‡	89.2±13.7	90.3±13.6	89.8±14.1
Median F <sub>ENO</sub> (range) — ppb	40 (5–235)	38 (5–200)	37 (3–300)
Periostin — ng/ml	69.3±28.9	70.6±27.8	70.8±27.0
Blood eosinophil count — ×10 <sup>9</sup> per liter	0.3±0.2	0.3±0.2	0.3±0.2

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Table 2. Medication Outcomes.\*

Outcome	Albuterol Group (N = 223)	Budesonide Maintenance Group (N = 225)	Budesonide-Formoterol Group (N = 220)
<b>Glucocorticoid use</b>			
No. of inhaled glucocorticoid-containing actuations per day			
Mean	NA	1.11±0.56	0.53±0.54
Median (IQR)	NA	1.23 (0.66–1.57)	0.37 (0.15–0.73)
Range	NA	0–2.01	0–3.95
Daily budesonide dose — $\mu$ g			
Mean	NA	222±113	107±109
Median (IQR)	NA	247 (132–314)	73 (31–146)
Range†	NA	0–402	0–790
Oral glucocorticoid use, prednisone — mg	17.4±59.8	14.5±51.0	7.5±40.2
<b>No. of <math>\beta_2</math>-agonist-containing actuations per day</b>			
Mean	1.01±1.60	0.52±1.03	0.53±0.54
Median (IQR)	0.50 (0.18–1.18)	0.18 (0.06–0.46)	0.37 (0.15–0.73)
Range	0.0–16.3	0.0–8.7	0–3.95

\* Plus-minus values are means  $\pm$ SD. Inhaled glucocorticoid and  $\beta_2$ -agonist use was determined with the use of electronic monitoring of the trial inhalers. NA denotes not applicable.

† The range refers to the minimum mean daily dose and the maximum mean daily dose.

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### A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

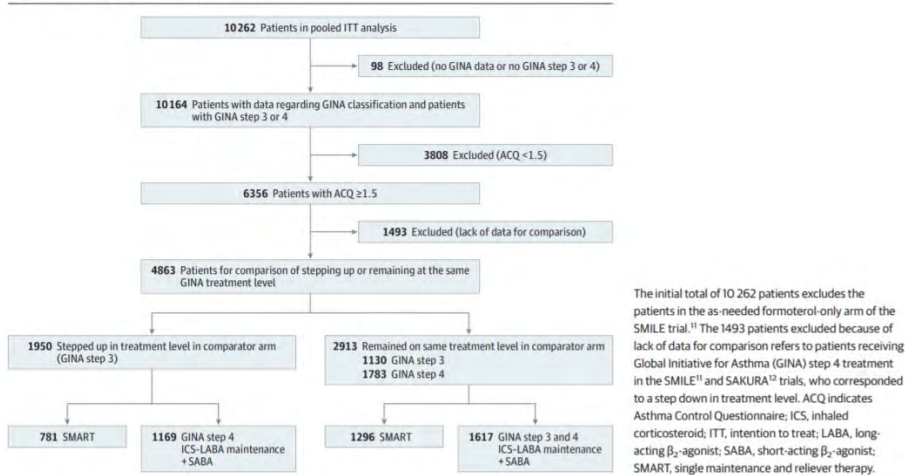
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Figure 1. Flow Diagram of Patients Included in the Analysis

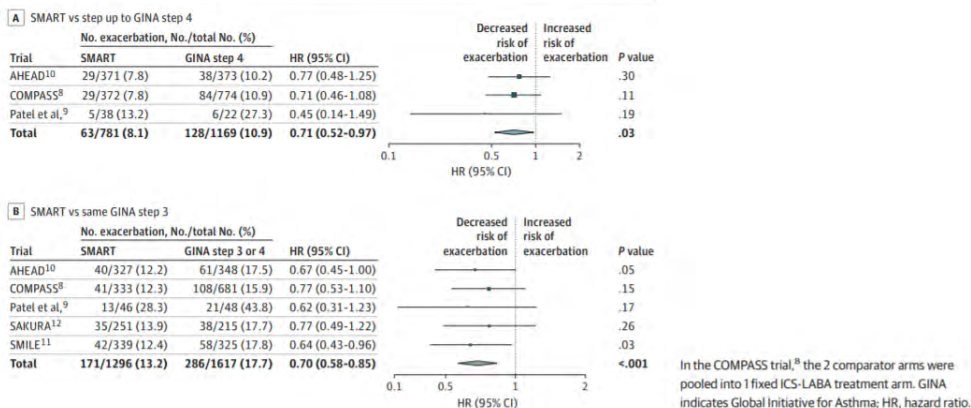


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Figure 2. Meta-analysis of the Association of Single Inhaler Maintenance and Reliever Therapy (SMART) vs Inhaled Corticosteroid-Long-acting  $\beta_2$ -Agonist (ICS-LABA) Maintenance Plus Short-acting  $\beta_2$ -Agonist (SABA) Reliever With Time to First Severe Exacerbation

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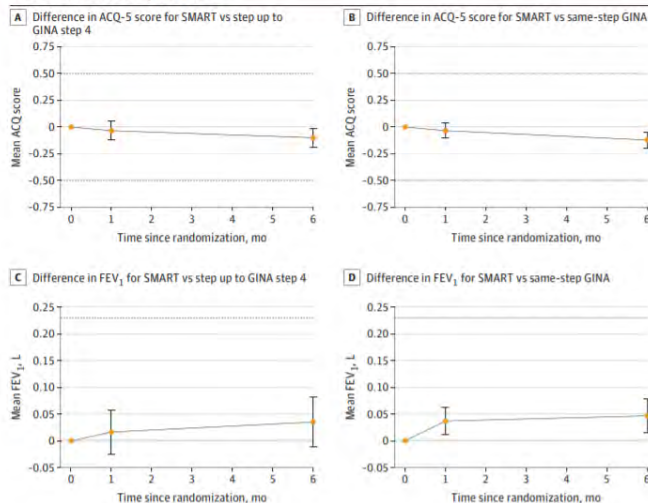
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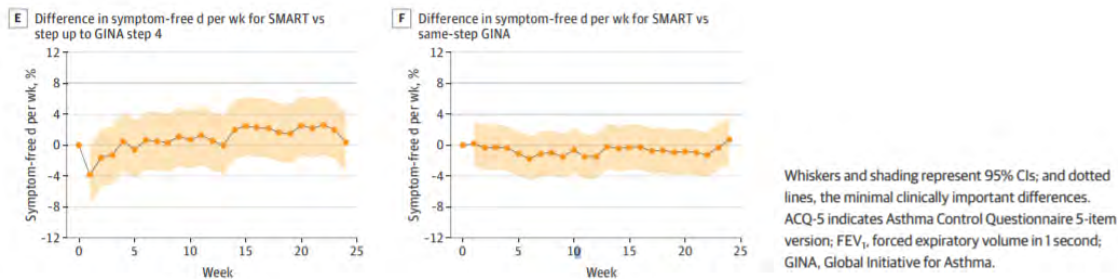


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## Albuterol–Budesonide Fixed-Dose Combination Rescue Inhaler for Asthma

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**Table 1. Demographic and Clinical Characteristics of the Patients at Screening.\***

Characteristic	Albuterol (180 µg)– Budesonide (160 µg) (N=1013)	Albuterol (180 µg)– Budesonide (80 µg) (N=1054)	Albuterol (180 µg) (N=1056)	All Patients (N=3123)
Age				
Mean — yr	50.6±15.1	48.5±16.7	49.1±17.2	49.4±16.4
Distribution — no. (%)				
≥4 to <12 yr	0	41 (3.9)	42 (4.0)	83 (2.7)
≥12 to <18 yr	34 (3.4)	32 (3.0)	34 (3.2)	100 (3.2)
≥18 to <65 yr	787 (77.7)	804 (76.3)	783 (74.1)	2374 (76.0)
≥65 yr	192 (19.0)	177 (16.8)	197 (18.7)	566 (18.1)
Female sex — no. (%)	645 (63.7)	685 (65.0)	694 (65.7)	2024 (64.8)
Race or ethnic group — no. (%)				
White	818 (80.8)	847 (80.4)	868 (82.2)	2533 (81.1)
Black	139 (13.7)	141 (13.4)	137 (13.0)	417 (13.4)
Asian	29 (2.9)	33 (3.1)	23 (2.2)	85 (2.7)
American Indian or Alaska Native	1 (0.1)	1 (0.1)	0	2 (0.1)
Other	26 (2.6)	32 (3.0)	28 (2.7)	86 (2.8)
Hispanic or Latinx — no. (%)				
Yes	233 (23.0)	260 (24.7)	315 (29.8)	808 (25.9)
No	780 (77.0)	794 (75.3)	741 (70.2)	2315 (74.1)

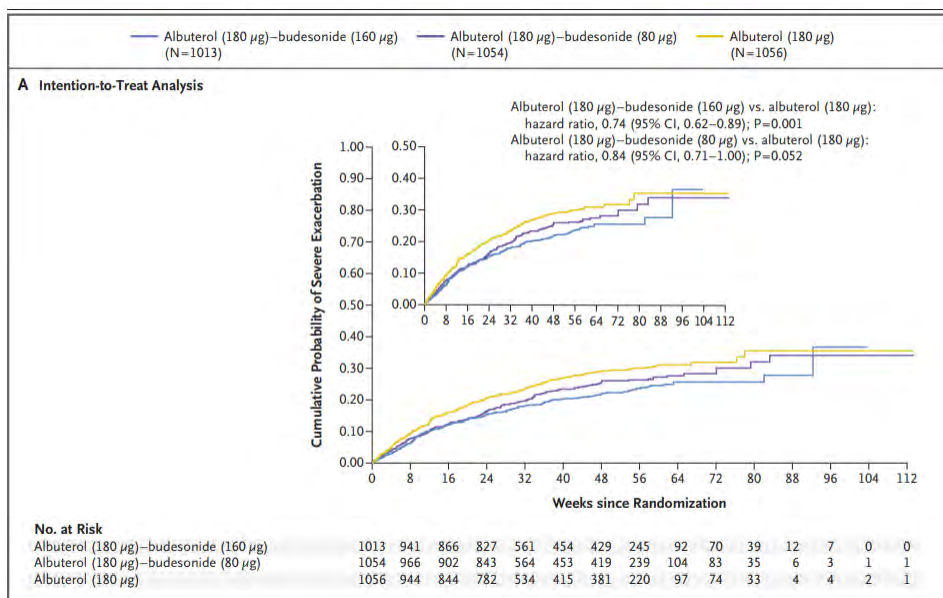
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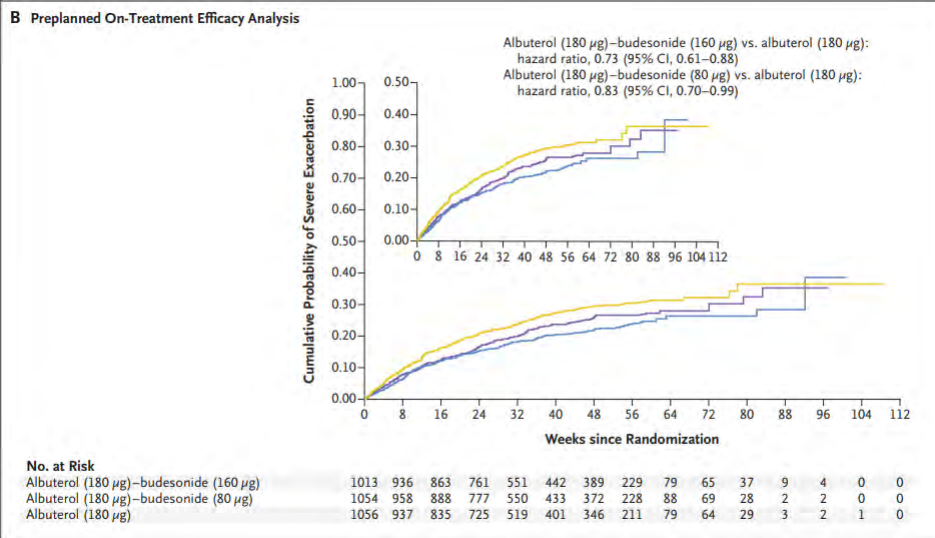
Geographic region — no. (%)				
North America, Western Europe, and South Africa	536 (52.9)	556 (52.8)	563 (53.3)	1655 (53.0)
South America and rest of Europe	477 (47.1)	498 (47.2)	493 (46.7)	1468 (47.0)
Prebronchodilator FEV <sub>1</sub>				
Mean volume — liters†	1.9±0.6	1.9±0.6	1.9±0.6	1.9±0.6
Mean percent of predicted value†	63.4±12.8	64.0±13.7	64.4±13.3	63.9±13.3
Mean reversibility in FEV <sub>1</sub> — %‡	27.7±17.2	27.2±14.2	27.8±15.9	27.6±15.8
Maintenance treatment — no. (%)				
Low-dose inhaled glucocorticoid–LABA or medium-dose inhaled glucocorticoid	314 (31.0)	334 (31.7)	308 (29.2)	956 (30.6)
Medium-dose inhaled glucocorticoid–LABA or high-dose inhaled glucocorticoid	385 (38.0)	435 (41.3)	441 (41.8)	1261 (40.4)
High-dose inhaled glucocorticoid–LABA	295 (29.1)	267 (25.3)	285 (27.0)	847 (27.1)
Missing	19 (1.9)	18 (1.7)	22 (2.1)	59 (1.9)
Severe asthma exacerbations in the 12 mo before screening — no. (%)				
1	788 (77.8)	822 (78.0)	840 (79.5)	2450 (78.5)
2	185 (18.3)	185 (17.6)	164 (15.5)	534 (17.1)
3	27 (2.7)	38 (3.6)	45 (4.3)	110 (3.5)
≥4	13 (1.3)	9 (0.9)	7 (0.7)	29 (0.9)

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**Table 2. Intention-to-Treat and Preplanned On-Treatment Efficacy Analyses of the Secondary End Points.\***

Analysis	Intention-to-Treat Analysis				Preplanned On-Treatment Efficacy Analysis			
	Adults and Adolescents†	Adults, Adolescents, and Children‡	Adults, Adolescents, and Children‡	Adults, Adolescents, and Children‡	Adults and Adolescents†	Adults, Adolescents, and Children‡	Adults, Adolescents, and Children‡	Adults, Adolescents, and Children‡
	Albuterol (180 µg)–Budesonide (160 µg)	Albuterol (180 µg)	Albuterol (180 µg)–Budesonide (80 µg)	Albuterol (180 µg) Alone	Albuterol (180 µg)–Budesonide (160 µg)	Albuterol (180 µg)	Albuterol (180 µg)–Budesonide (80 µg)	Albuterol (180 µg)
<b>Annualized rate of severe asthma exacerbation</b>								
Patients — no.	1013	1014	1054	1056	1013	1014	1054	1056
Severe exacerbations — no.	345	427	372	441	334	413	354	426
Annualized rate (95% CI)	0.43 (0.33–0.58)	0.58 (0.44–0.77)	0.48 (0.37–0.63)	0.60 (0.46–0.79)	0.45 (0.34–0.60)	0.59 (0.44–0.78)	0.49 (0.37–0.64)	0.61 (0.46–0.80)
Rate ratio (95% CI)	0.75 (0.61–0.91)	Reference	0.81 (0.66–0.98)	Reference	0.76 (0.62–0.93)	Reference	0.80 (0.66–0.98)	Reference
<b>Annualized total dose of systemic glucocorticoid§</b>								
Patients — no.	1012	1011	1052	1052	1012	1011	1052	1052
Median value (5th–95th percentile) — mg/yr	0.0 (0.0–459.2)	0.0 (0.0–484.3)	0.0 (0.0–494.4)	0.0 (0.0–600.8)	0.0 (0.0–496.1)	0.0 (0.0–622.1)	0.0 (0.0–487.0)	0.0 (0.0–615.9)
Mean value — mg/yr	83.6±247.7	130.0±630.3	94.7±318.2	127.6±619.8	86.2±262.9	129.3±657.2	95.5±335.4	127.1±646.2
<b>Response analysis at wk 24¶</b>								
<b>ACQ-5</b>								
Patients — no.	1013	1014	1052	1055	1013	1014	1052	1055
Patients with response — no. (%)	682 (67.3)	636 (62.7)	690 (65.6)	656 (62.2)	677 (66.8)	630 (62.1)	681 (64.7)	650 (61.6)
Odds ratio (95% CI)	1.22 (1.01–1.46)	Reference	1.13 (0.96–1.37)	Reference	1.22 (1.02–1.47)	Reference	1.13 (0.95–1.35)	Reference
<b>AQLQ-12</b>								
Patients — no.	994	993	987	NA	994	993	987	NA
Patients with response — no. (%)	515 (51.8)	464 (46.7)	496 (50.3)	NA	508 (51.1)	461 (46.4)	489 (49.5)	NA
Odds ratio (95% CI)	1.25 (1.04–1.50)	Reference	1.13 (0.94–1.36)	NA	1.23 (1.02–1.48)	Reference	1.11 (0.93–1.34)	NA

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**Table 3. Adverse Events Occurring in at Least 2% of Patients in Any Trial Group.\***

Event	Albuterol (180 µg)– Budesonide (160 µg) (N = 1015)	Albuterol (180 µg)– Budesonide (80 µg) (N = 1055)	Albuterol (180 µg) (N = 1057)
	number of patients (percent)		
Any adverse event	469 (46.2)	497 (47.1)	490 (46.4)
Nasopharyngitis	76 (7.5)	61 (5.8)	54 (5.1)
Headache	44 (4.3)	50 (4.7)	50 (4.7)
Covid-19	43 (4.2)	52 (4.9)	46 (4.4)
Upper respiratory tract infection	26 (2.6)	31 (2.9)	26 (2.5)
Bronchitis	25 (2.5)	27 (2.6)	28 (2.6)
Hypertension	22 (2.2)	27 (2.6)	26 (2.5)
Asthma	18 (1.8)	20 (1.9)	35 (3.3)
Back pain	27 (2.7)	23 (2.2)	20 (1.9)
Influenza	21 (2.1)	23 (2.2)	14 (1.3)
Sinusitis	15 (1.5)	17 (1.6)	24 (2.3)

\* Adverse events are sorted in decreasing total frequency of preferred term in the *Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities*, version 24.0. Patients with multiple events in the same category are counted only once in that category.

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## Take home points

- SMART works
- It is associated with a reduction in time to severe exacerbation, reduced rate of severe exacerbations, improvements in FEV<sub>1</sub>
- Overall, patients get lower doses of ICS and OCS

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# 73<sup>RD</sup> PAA ANNUAL MEETING

## **The Hyper IgE Syndromes**

Presented by:  
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Friday, June 24, 2022  
10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.



# The Patient with Eczema and an elevated Serum IgE: when to suspect a Hyper IgE Syndrome

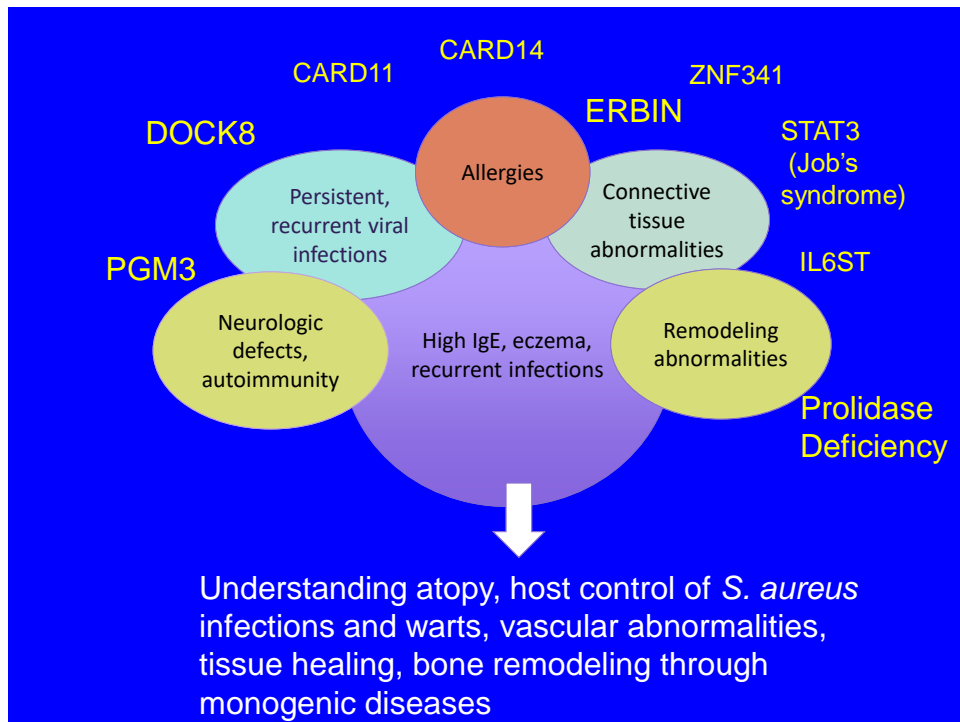
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## Approach to the patient with Elevated Serum IgE and eczema

- Most of the time atopy, without a “hyper IgE syndrome”
- Monogenic causes related to Primary immune deficiencies
  - Many causes of immune dysregulation can cause mildly elevated IgE (IgE hundreds)
  - The Hyper IgE syndromes are associated with eczema, recurrent skin and lung infections
  - Unique features to consider in the evaluation.

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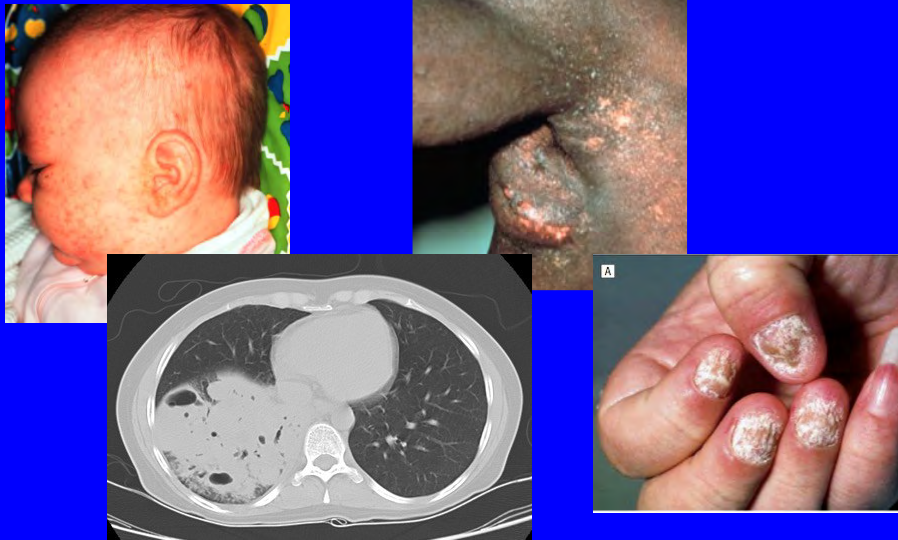
## STAT3 deficient Hyper IgE Syndrome (Autosomal dominant HIES; Job's syndrome)

“So Satan went forth from the presence of the Lord, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown.”



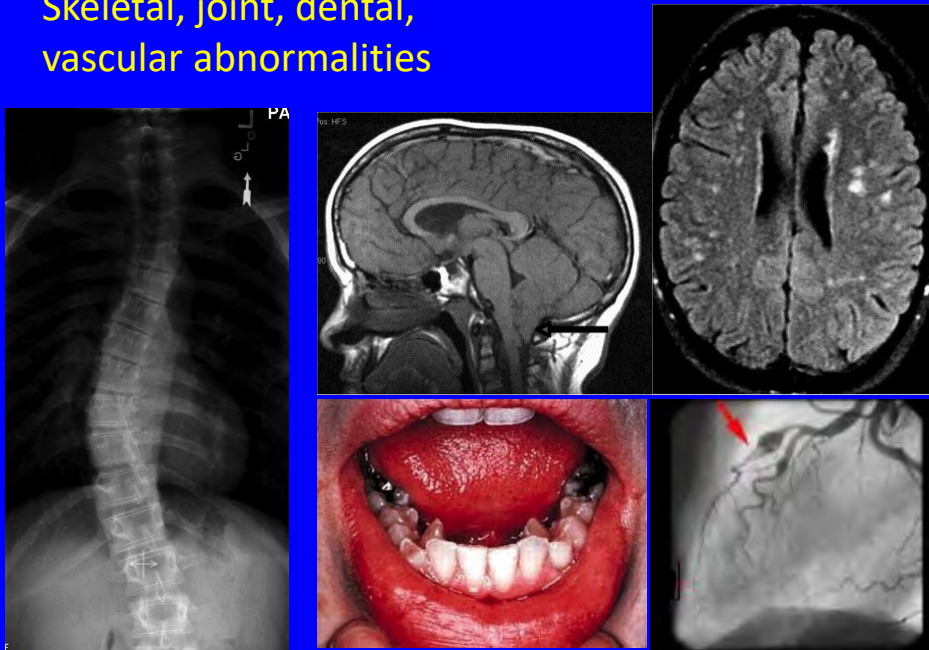
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## *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Candida* epithelial infections in LOF STAT3



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## Skeletal, joint, dental, vascular abnormalities



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## ORIGINAL ARTICLE

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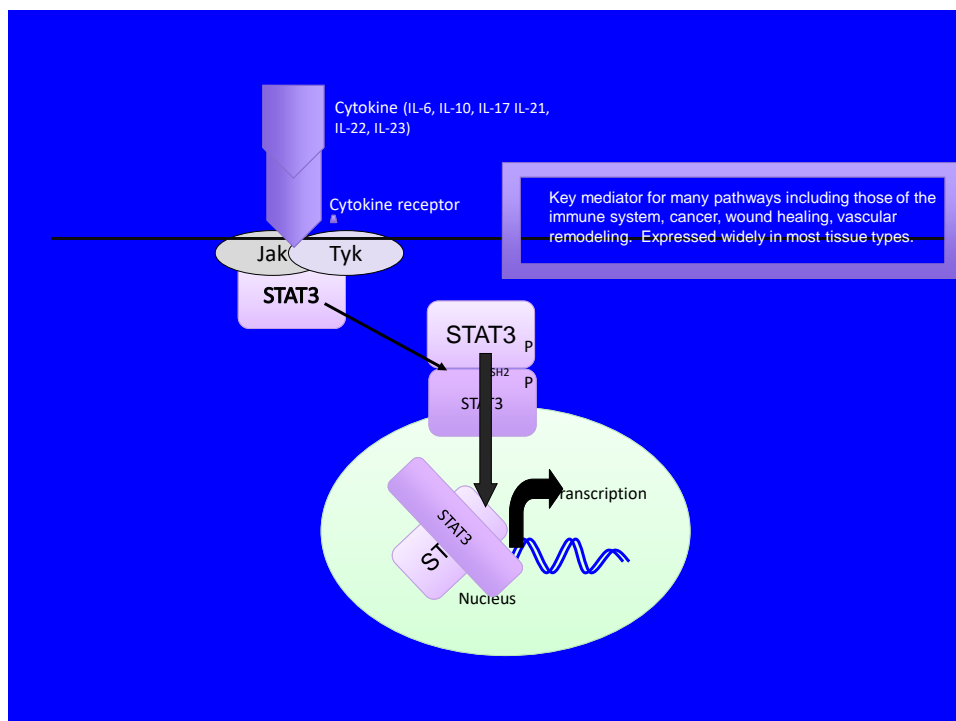
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## Dominant-negative mutations in the DNA-binding domain of STAT3 cause hyper-IgE syndrome

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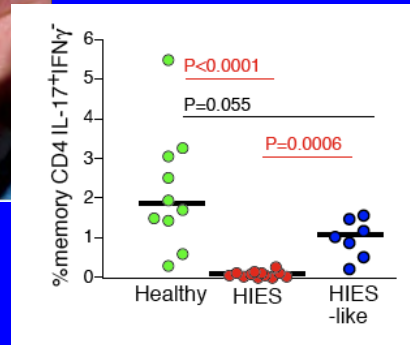
nature 2007

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## Epithelial/mucosal infection susceptibility: Lack of Th17 cells

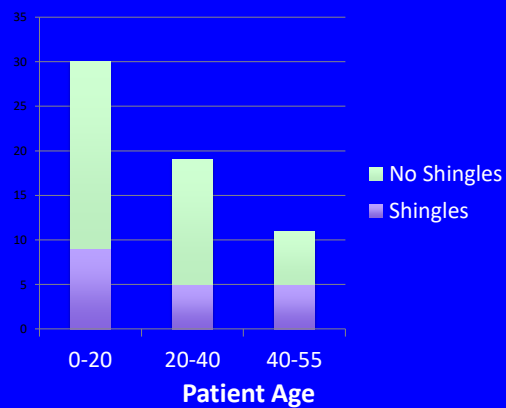


Milner et al, Nature, 2008

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## Decreased memory T and B Cells

Zoster reactivation is increased in HIES patients and occurs at young ages



Minimum lifetime prevalence 19/60=31.7%

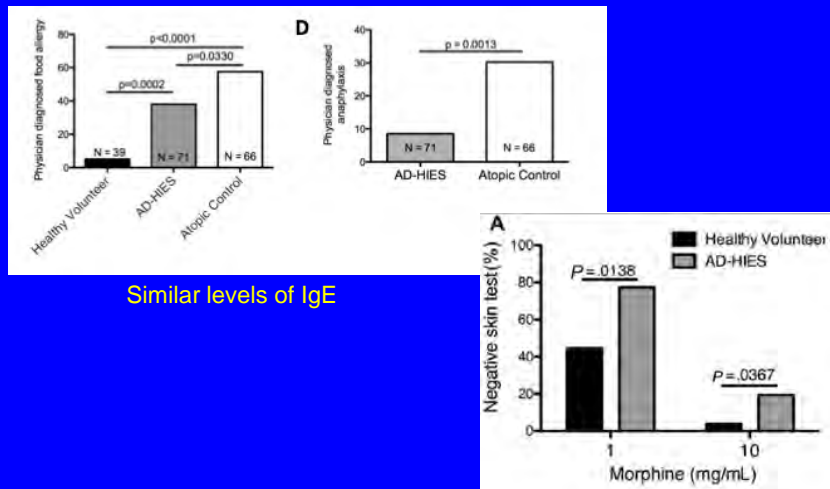


Siegel et al, Immunity 2011

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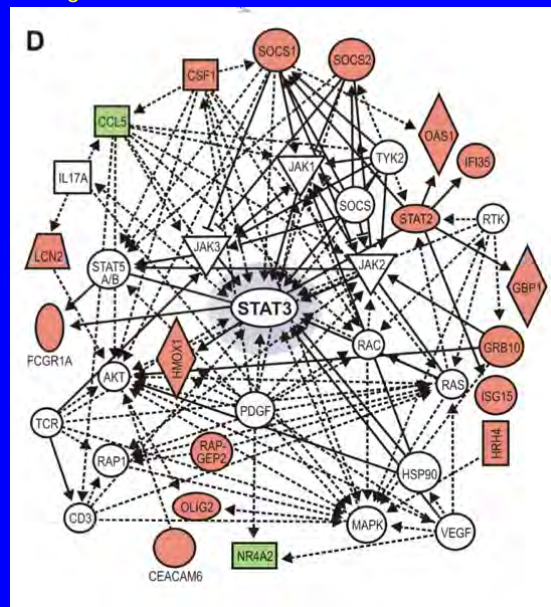


## AD-HIES with less food allergy and anaphylaxis



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STAT3 is expressed widely and involved in many pathways making understanding the diverse clinical features difficult



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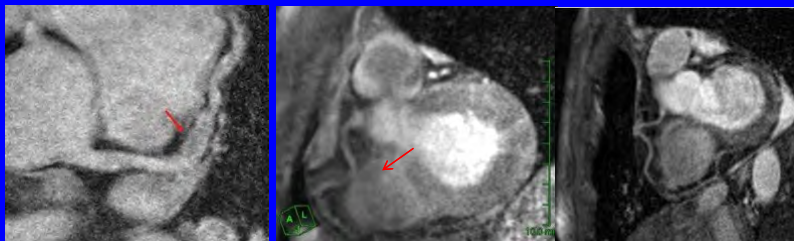
A 43 year old with an MI



Then, 10 years later with a life threatening GI bleed from a mesenteric artery aneurysm  
Now, 4 years since GI bleed.....surgery for severe spine disease...

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### Middle sized arterial aneurysm



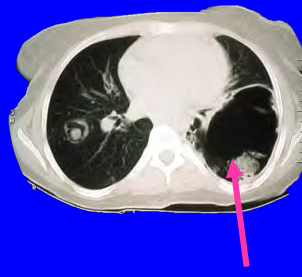
Left anterior descending artery dilation and aneurysm, and RCA Tortuosity

Coronary arteries: myocardial infarction  
Cerebral arteries: subarachnoid hemorrhages  
Bronchial arteries: massive pulmonary bleeds  
Mesenteric arteries: GI bleeds



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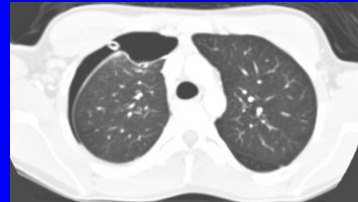
## AD-HIES abnormal tissue remodeling



Pneumatocoele with aspergilloma



Bronchopleural fistulae

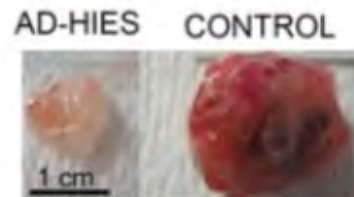
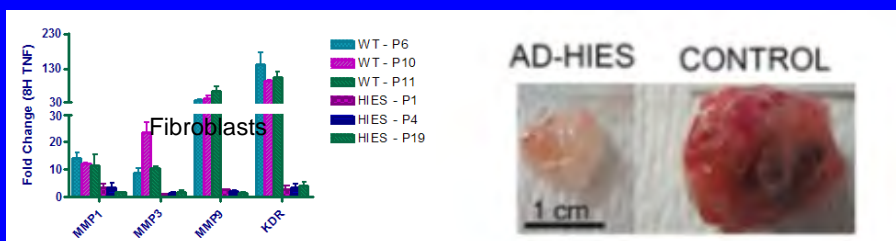


Freeman et al, J of Clin Immunology 2013

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## Disordered Tissue Remodeling

- STAT3 important for angiogenesis and extracellular remodeling



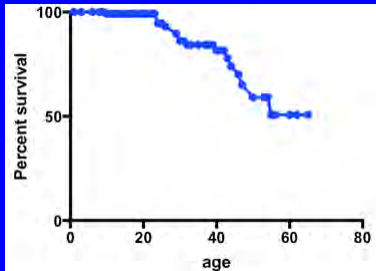
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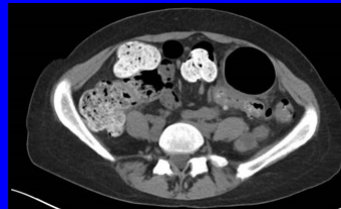
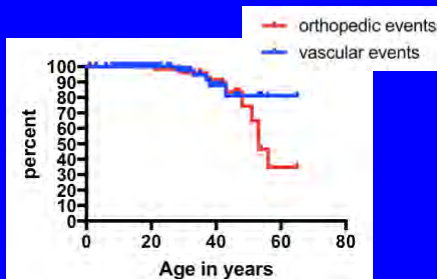
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## Evolving Prognosis

Overall survival



Early diagnosis changing natural history



Contained GI perforation

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## STAT3 deficient HIES

- Infection susceptibility (Candida, Staph) PLUS connective tissue abnormalities- teeth, bones, joints
- Destructive lung disease
- Less allergy than expected for height of serum IgE

Diagnosis: Sequence STAT3 in setting of infections/connective tissue phenotype

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## Approach to Care

- Supportive with suppressive antimicrobials
  - TMP/SMX typically, antifungals
- Antiseptics (i.e. dilute bleach baths) to control eczema, reduce *S. aureus* colonization
- Consideration of dupilumab for significant eczema
  - James et al, JACI: in practice, 2022. With UPMC!
- Consideration of IgG supplementation- normal IgG levels, poor specific antibody
- Bone and dental health
- Low suspicion of infection

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## What is the role for HSCT?



J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2010 Aug;126(2):392-4. doi: 10.1016/j.jaci.2010.05.005. Epub 2010 Jul 2.

**Successful long-term immunologic reconstitution by allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation cures patients with autosomal dominant hyper-IgE syndrome.**

Goussetis E, Peristeri J, Kitra V, Traeger-Synodinos J, Theodosaki M, Psarra K, Kanariou M, Tzortzatou-Stathopoulou F, Petrakou E, Fylaktou J, Kanavakis E, Graphakos S.

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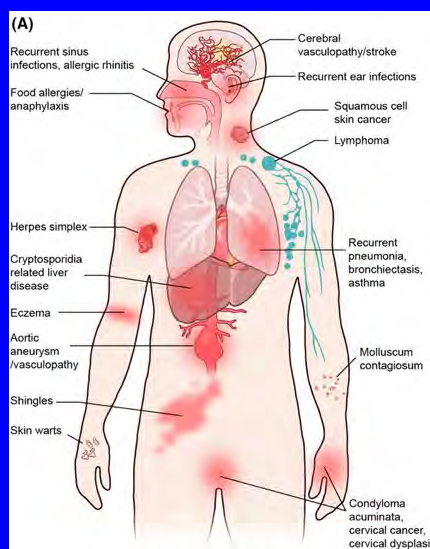
## What is the role for HSCT?

- Seems to make sense in some cases
  - four patients transplanted at NIH- all at worse end of spectrum
  - About 15-20 patients transplanted worldwide
  - Some good outcomes being reported
    - Worse with mixed chimerism?
- Hard to predict from mutation who will do well and who won't
- But understanding what is driving the different parts of the clinical phenotype is important
  - Will the infection phenotype be improved? Probably
  - Will the bone phenotype be improved? Maybe
  - Will the vascular phenotype be improved? Maybe not
  - Lung healing if there a post- transplant pneumonia? Unknown

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## DOCK8 Deficiency: Formerly known as a "HIES"

Combined B and T cell defect with progressive T lymphopenia over time , and worsening specific antibody function



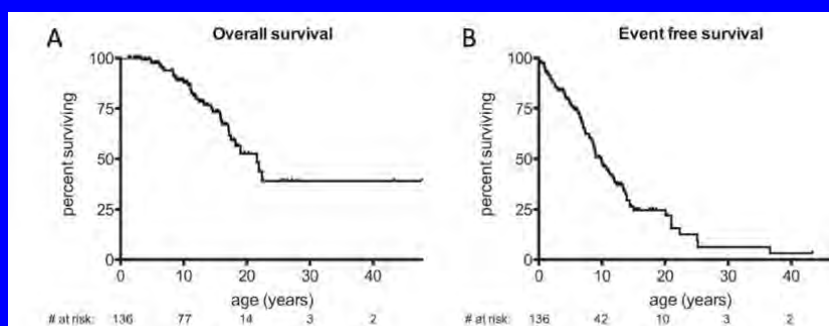
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## DOCK8 Pathogenesis

- DOCK8: involved in actin cell cytoskeleton
- Highly expressed immune system- very low levels in other organs, and not in endothelial cells
- Lymphocytes and dendritic cells have trouble with movement in matrices such as skin (vasculature?) due to abnl cytoskeleton
  - Cytothripsis: Cells fragment in tissues
  - Prevents generation of memory CD8 T cells in the skin

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## High Morbidity and Mortality



136 patients from around the world  
Aydin et al, JOCI, 2015

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## Complications with age



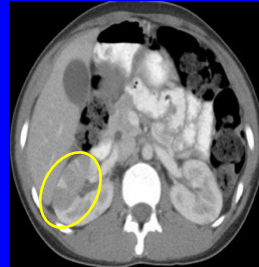
15 year old with bronchiectasis



17 year old with persistent HSV



11 year old with cryptosporidia related liver disease, portal hypertension  
(Liver disease in about 25% of cohort)



15 year old with Burkitt's lymphoma  
Malignancy in about 25% of cohort

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## Vascular Complications with age: about 15% in our cohort



19 year old with cerebral vasculopathy and stroke



19 year old with bilateral renal artery stenosis



24 year old with large aortic aneurysm

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## Bone marrow transplant for DOCK8 deficiency



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## EBV Driven Lymphoproliferation Improved After Transplant



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Resolution of eczema: wrapping pre-transplant to improve skin barrier, diminish infection risk



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## DOCK8 Deficiency

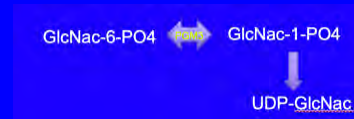
- Variable IgE, eczema, allergies
- Poor control of skin viral control, EBV viremia
- Malignancy risk increases through teen years, young adulthood
- T lymphopenia, poor specific antibodies
- Can be difficult to diagnosis at younger ages
- Genetics- need to look for mutations and deletions

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## Recessive hypomorphic mutations in *PGM3* glycosylation disorder

- Allergy
  - high IgE; atopic dermatitis; asthma; food and environmental allergies; EGID; ABPA
- Infections
  - chronic otitis externa
  - staph and URI/pneumonia
  - lung, cutaneous, parotid, periodontal abscesses
- Autoimmunity
  - increased  $T_H17$ ; elevated IgG; psoriatic lesions
- Lymphoproliferative disease
  - Evan's syndrome
  - lymphoma
- Neurocognitive impairment
  - developmental delay, ataxia, discoordination and speech abnormalities/dyspraxia
  - febrile seizures



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## Think about PGM3 Deficiency

- Eczema, recurrent bacterial and viral infections
- Developmental delays
- Lymphopenia and neutropenia

### TREATMENT

- Supportive
- Consideration of HSCT (maybe 4 known cases?)
  - Partially corrective
- Sugar supplementation?

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## CARD11/14 Defects Causing Hyper IgE Phenotypes

### Hypomorphic caspase activation and recruitment domain 11 (CARD11) mutations associated with diverse immunologic phenotypes with or without atopic disease

JACI 2018

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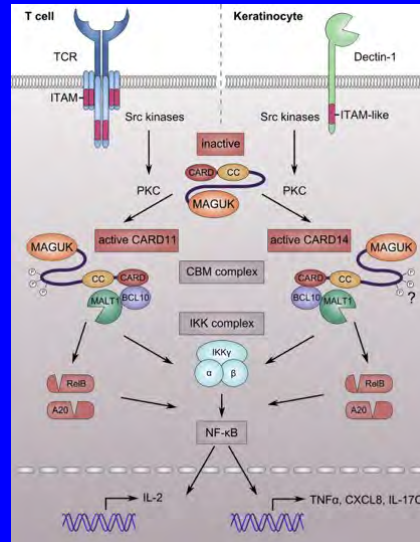
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### Loss-of-function mutations in caspase recruitment domain-containing protein 14 (CARD14) are associated with a severe variant of atopic dermatitis

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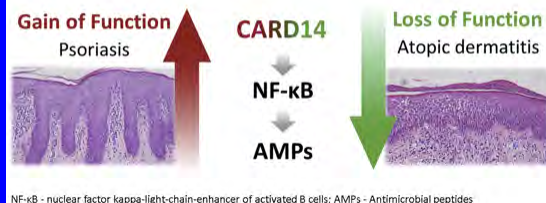
## CARD11: one gene, multiple phenotypes

- GOF mutations: B cell lymphoproliferative disease
- Somatic GOF: lymphoma
- Bi-allelic LOF: SCID phenotype
- Hypomorphic heterozygous LOF Mutations- ATOPY!
  - Increased skin viral infections (molluscum), sinopulmonary infections
  - Some with hypogammaglobulinemia, autoimmunity, infrequent lymphoma

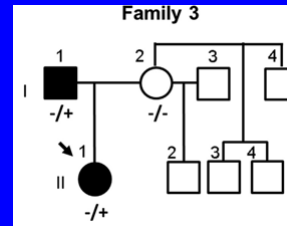
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# Dermatologic Conditions with CARD14 mutations

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Peled et al, JACI 2018



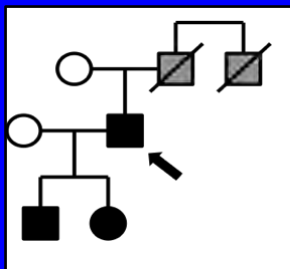
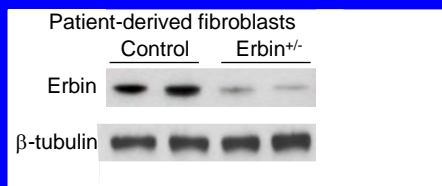
Severe eczema  
Asthma, pneumonias?  
Anaphylaxis, food allergy  
IgE thousands  
Cutaneous infections  
Retained primary teeth  
Fractures (steroids-osteoporosis?)

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ERBIN deficiency links STAT3 and TGF- $\beta$  pathway defects with atopy in humans

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Dilated aortic root  
Joint hyper-extensibility  
Eosinophilic esophagitis  
Mild increase in infections

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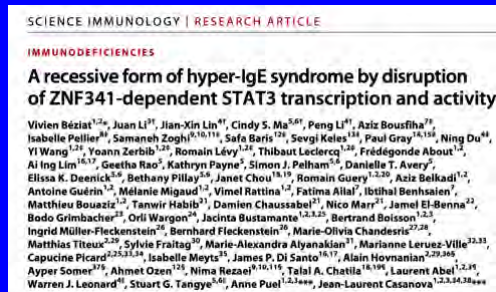
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## ZNF341 Deficiency

- Autosomal recessive
- Transcription factor that binds to a STAT3 promoter, thus causes decreased STAT3 transcription when present.
- More inflammatory, less connective tissue phenotype



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## IL6ST Loss of function mutations

- Heterozygous and homozygous LOF Mutations described in several patients.
- IL-6 receptor that then signals through STAT3
- Significant ABPA, destructive lung disease
- Some connective tissue phenotype



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	DN STAT3	DOCK8	PGM3	LOF CARD11	LOF CARD14*	ZNF341*	IL6ST Biallelic*	DN IL6ST*	IL6R*
Allergic hypersensitivity	++	+/+++	+++	+++	+++	+	ND	+	+
Eczema	++	+/+++	++	+++	+++	+++	++	+	+++
Bronchiectasis/pneumatocoles	++	++	++	+	-	++	+++	+++	+
Mucocutaneous candidiasis	+++	+	-	-	-	+++	ND	+	-
Cutaneous viral infections	+	+++	++	++	+	-	-	-	-
Neurologic deficits	+/-	+/-	+++	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vascular abnormalities	++	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Skeletal/connective tissue changes	+++	-	++	-	-	+	+++	+	-
Retained primary teeth	+++	-	-	-	-	-	ND	++	-
Immunoglobulins (except IgE)	Typically normal	Low IgM	High	Some low IgG	Some low IgG	Some increased IgG	Normal	Normal	Low normal/slight decreased IgG
T Lymphopenia	+	++	++	+	-	-	-	-	-
Lymphoma	+	++	+	++	-	-	-	-	-

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# 73<sup>RD</sup> PAAA ANNUAL MEETING

## **The Microbiome and Food Allergy**

Presented by:

Supinda Bunyavanich, MD, MPH, MPhil

Friday, June 24, 2022

11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

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## **Mayer A. Green, MD Allergy Foundation Memorial Lecture The Promise and Limits of Food Allergen Immunotherapy**

Presented by:  
Carla Davis, MD

Friday, June 24, 2022  
12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.



# The Promise and Limits of Food Allergen Immunotherapy

Mayer A. Green Allergy Foundation Memorial Lecture  
Pennsylvania Allergy and Asthma Association

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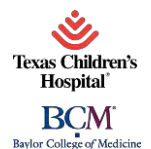
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# Outline

- History of Food Allergen Immunotherapy
- Current Protocols
  - Oral, Sublingual, and Epicutaneous Food Immunotherapy
- Evaluation of Sustained Unresponsiveness to Food
- Limitations of Immunotherapy Protocols
- Promise for the Future of Immunotherapy



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## History of Allergen Immunotherapy

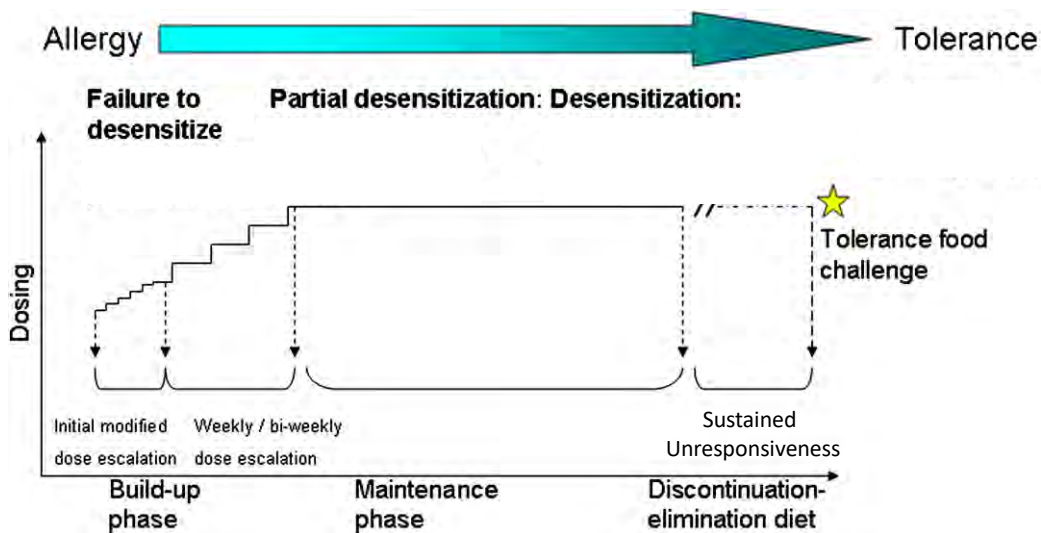


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# History of Modern Food Allergen Immunotherapy

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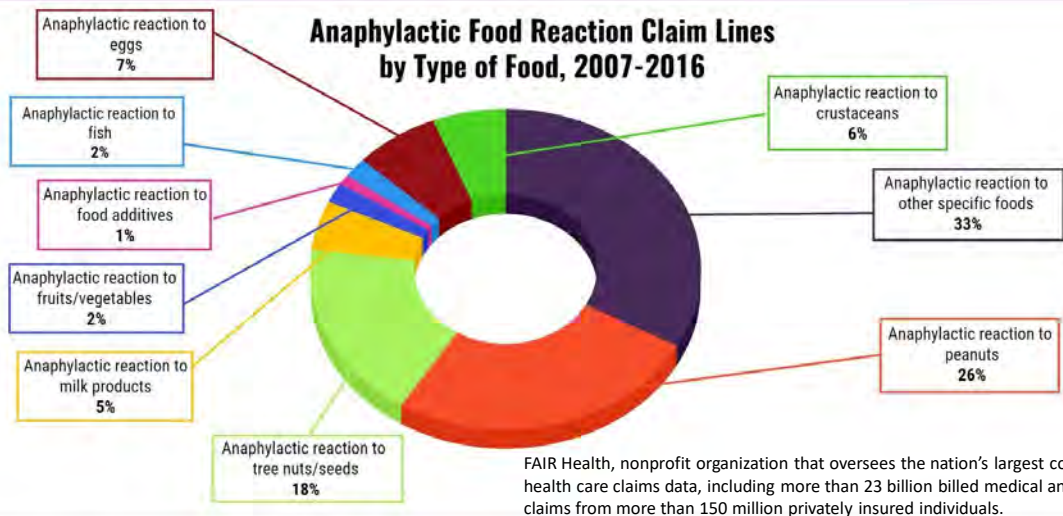
## Schematic of Food IT Protocols



Nowak-Węgrzyn A, Sampson HA. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2011 Mar;127(3):558-73

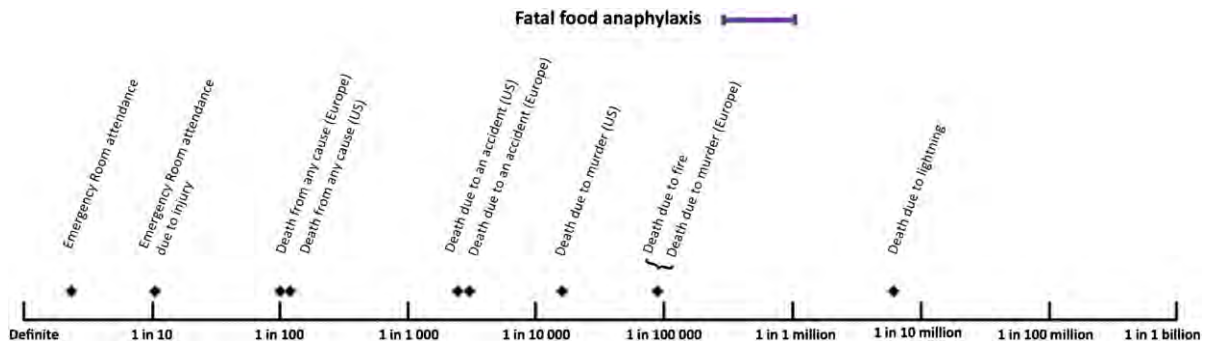
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## Many Different Foods Cause Anaphylaxis



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## Rate of Fatal Food Anaphylaxis

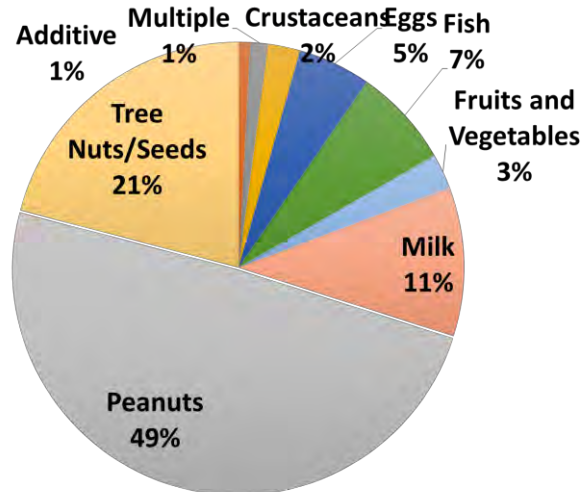


Turner et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2017; 5(5):1169–1178

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# Causes of Pediatric Anaphylaxis with ICU Admission

Peanut allergy is the largest identified food trigger of mortality from anaphylaxis



Ramsey NB, Guffey D, Coleman NE, Davis CM. Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology. 2018 Feb; 141(2), AB148.

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## Peanut Oral Immunotherapy (OIT)

- Peanut OIT has been demonstrated to increase the threshold of reactivity to peanut protein.
- Early studies desensitized to doses up to 4000 mg<sup>1-3</sup>, and recent studies use lower doses, typically 300-2000 mg as a target dose<sup>4-8</sup>
- Double blind placebo controlled food challenge (DBPCFC) is considered the gold standard method to determine OIT treatment effect
- In OIT, end of treatment DBPCFC top cumulative doses of peanut protein are typically  $\leq 5$ -10 grams

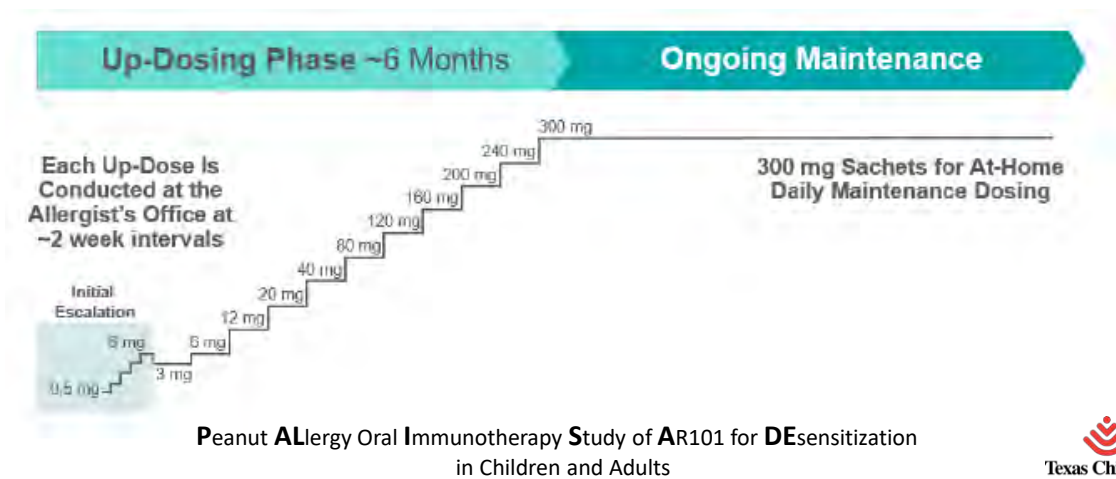
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## PALISADE Study Design

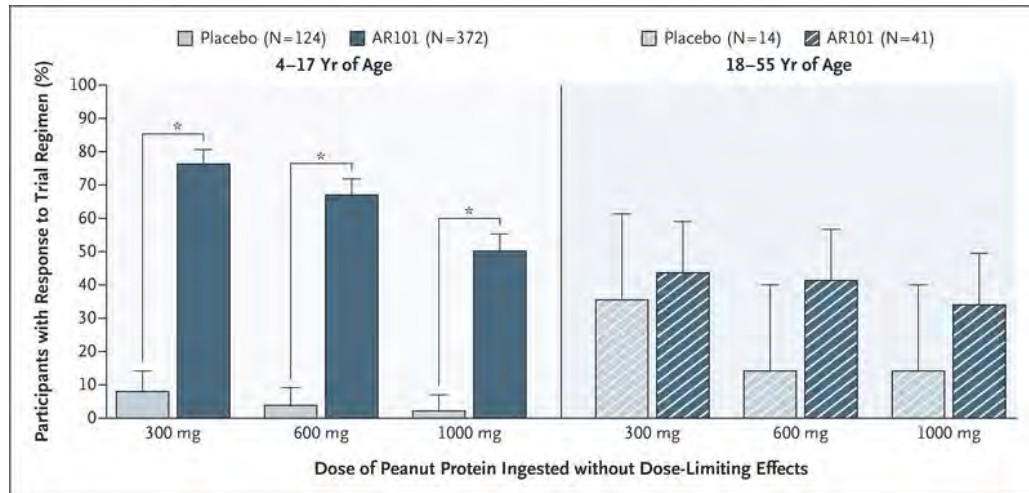


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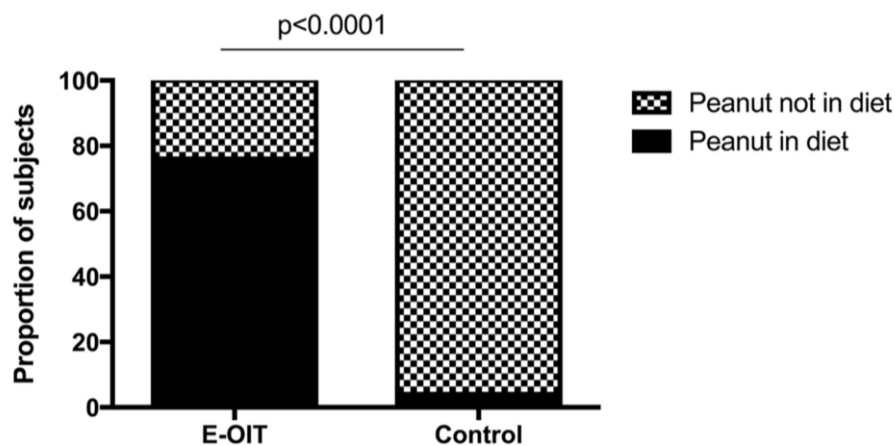
## Response to Peanut Oral Immunotherapy Treated Patients



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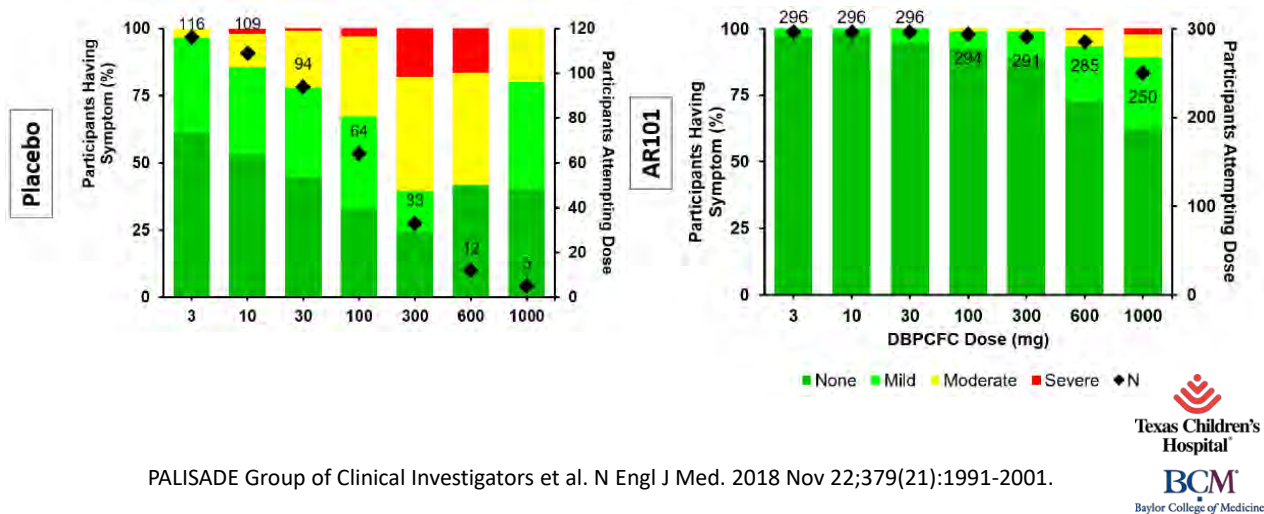
## Early Oral Immunotherapy (E-OIT) in 9 mo– 3 yr olds



Vickery BP et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2017 Jan;139(1):173-181.e8.

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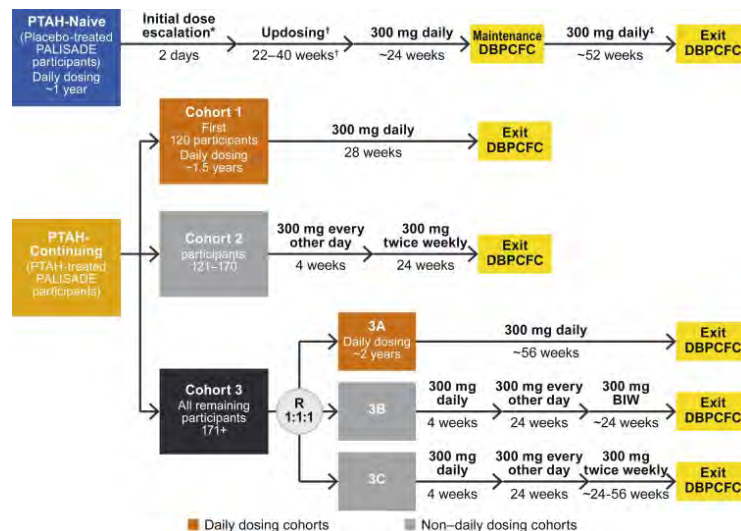
# Maximum Symptoms at End of Study Challenge



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## Follow-On Study from PALISADE

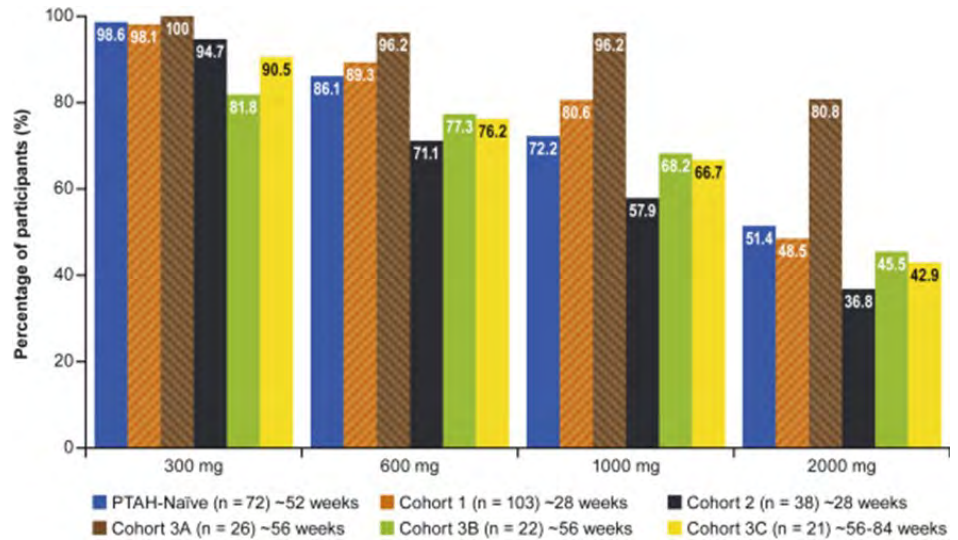


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## Desensitization rates based on the single highest tolerated dose at the exit DBPCFC

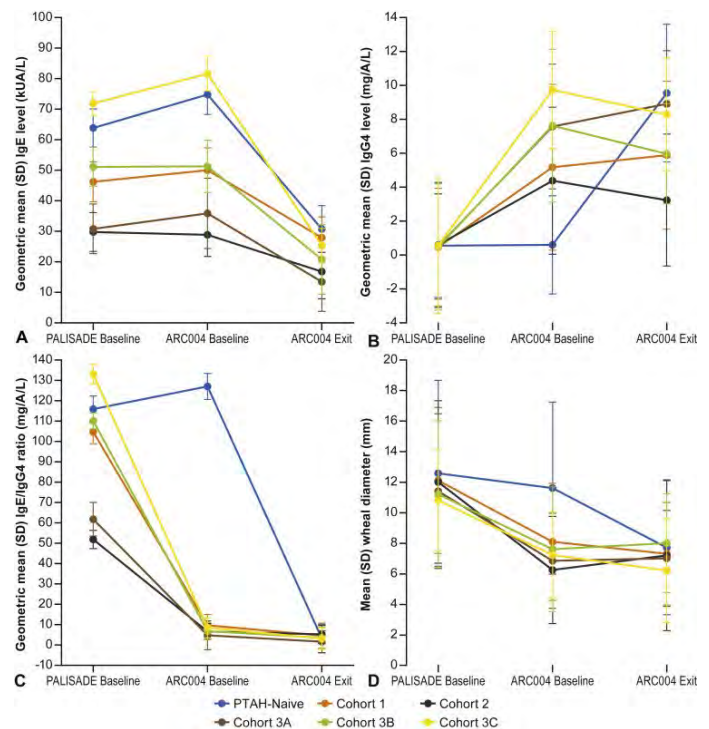
- 1- Daily
- 2- Every other day, then twice weekly
- 3A- Daily
- 3B- Daily, Every other day, biweekly
- 3C- Daily, Every other day, twice weekly



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## Specific IgE and IgG4 levels and SPT wheal size



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## Peanut Oral Immunotherapy: “Real-World” Experience

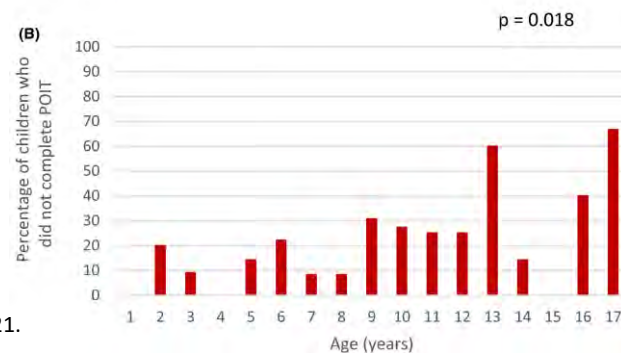
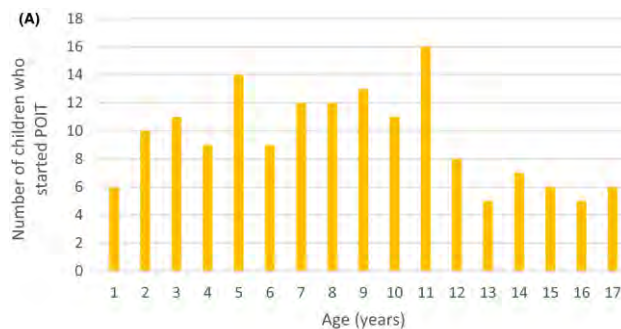
Treatment regimen characteristics	Protocol June 1, 2016
Starting dose	2 µg
Doses to reach the day 1 target	10 doses
Day 1 target dose	2.05 mg
Daily dosing frequency during escalation	Twice a day
Post-dose observation time	45 min
Doses to complete escalation	21 after day 1
Target dose	12 peanuts (3 g protein) then pass 24-peanut challenge
Maintenance dosing frequency	Once a day

~80% reached the target dose

Wasserman RL et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2019 Feb;7(2):418-426.e4.

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Discontinuation occurs more frequently in older children



80% completed POIT (n=129/160)

Only 3% required Epinephrine during up-dosing

Younger age was associated with completion

Side effects of GI symptoms most common reason for stopping

Zhu et al. Pediatric Allergy and Immunology. 2021.

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# Peanut Sublingual Immunotherapy (SLIT)

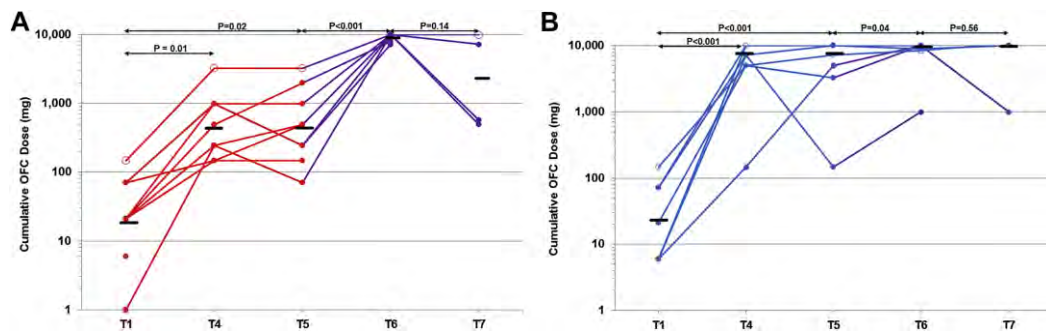
Dose No.	Weeks on IT	SLIT Dose (ug)	SLIT Increase from last dose (%)	OIT Comparison Dose (mg)	OIT Increase from last dose (%)
1	2	0.000165		0.1	
10	4	0.165	150	12	100
12	6	0.66	100	24	100
14	8	3.3	100	48	100
16	10	16.5	150	75	56
19	13	165	150	255	50
21	15	660	100	2000	54
23	17	1386	67		
24	18	3696	60		



Narisety SD et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2015 May;135(5):1275-82.e1-6.

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## Sublingual Immunotherapy vs. Oral Immunotherapy



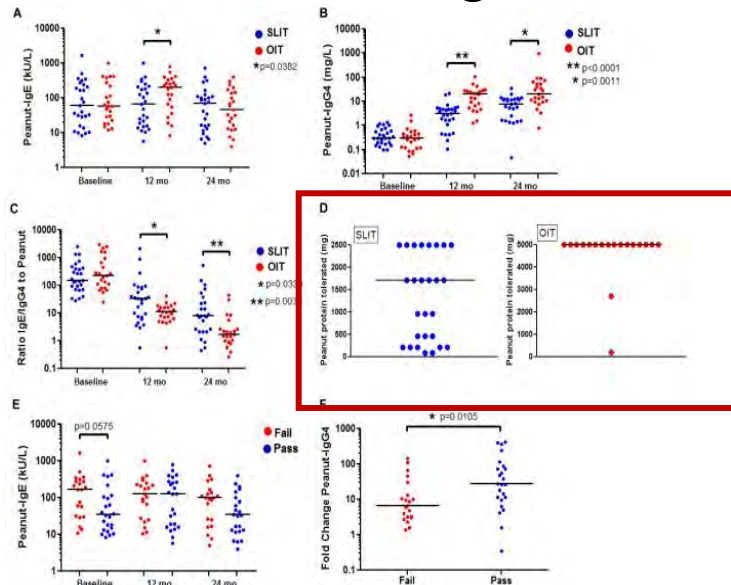
Change in cumulative OFC dose after SLIT (A) and OIT (B). Red lines indicate active SLIT, blue lines indicate active OIT, and purple lines represent combined SLIT and OIT after unblinding.

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# Oral IT vs. Sublingual IT



Chin S et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2013 Aug;132(2):476-8.e2.

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## Peanut Powder

Oral Immunotherapy  
300 mg



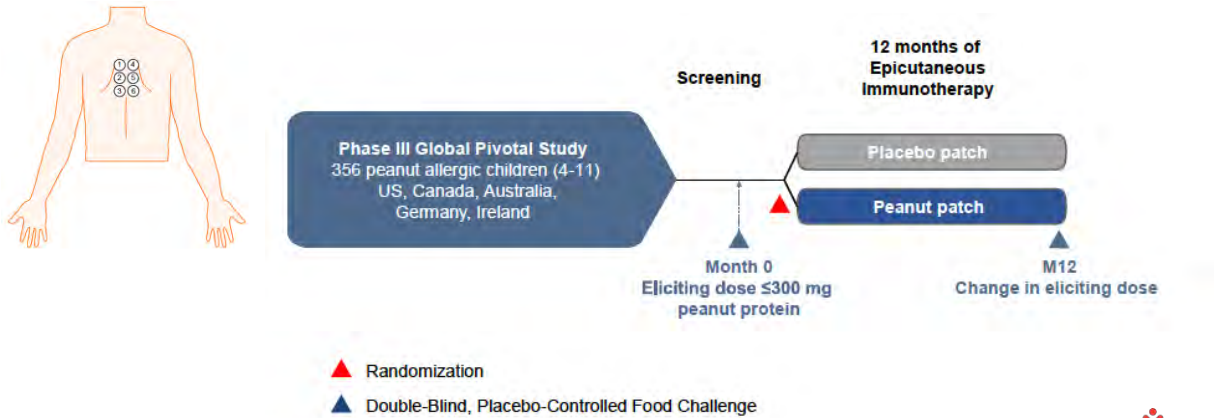
## Peanut Patch

Epicutaneous Immunotherapy  
250 ug



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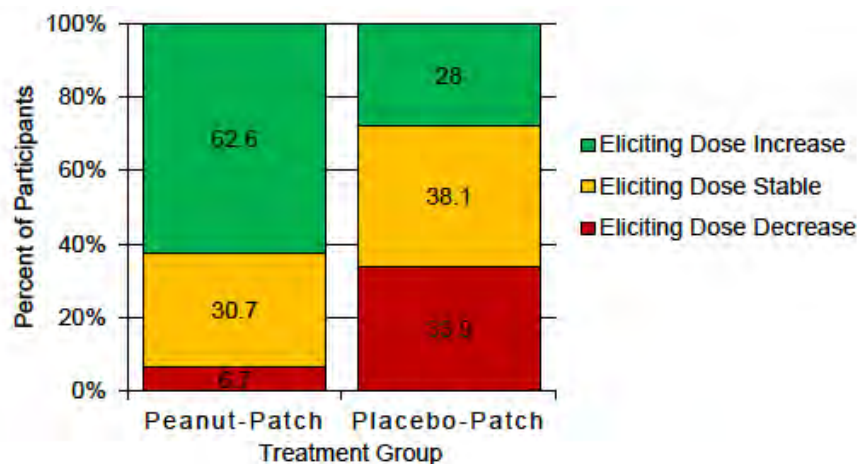
# PEPITES Study Design



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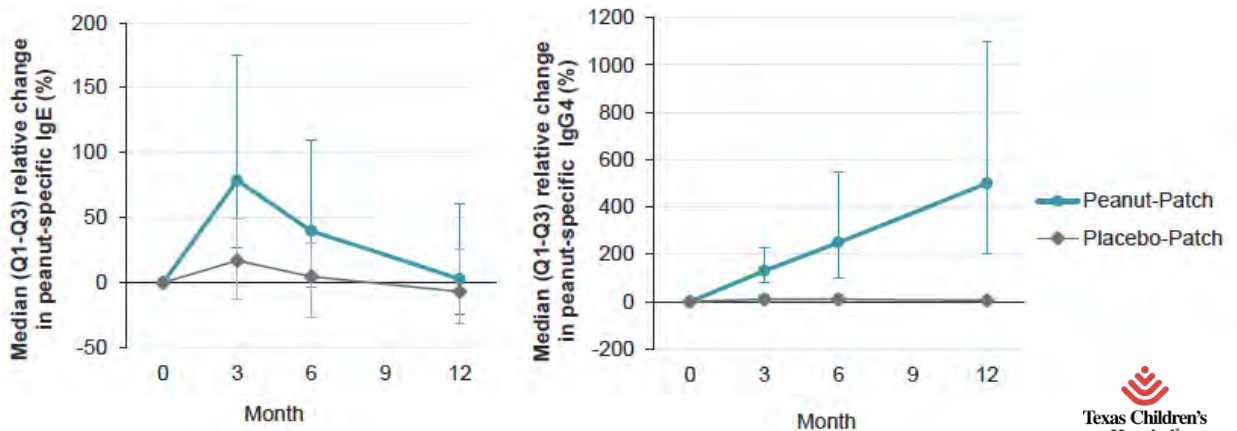
## Response for Peanut Patch Treated Patients



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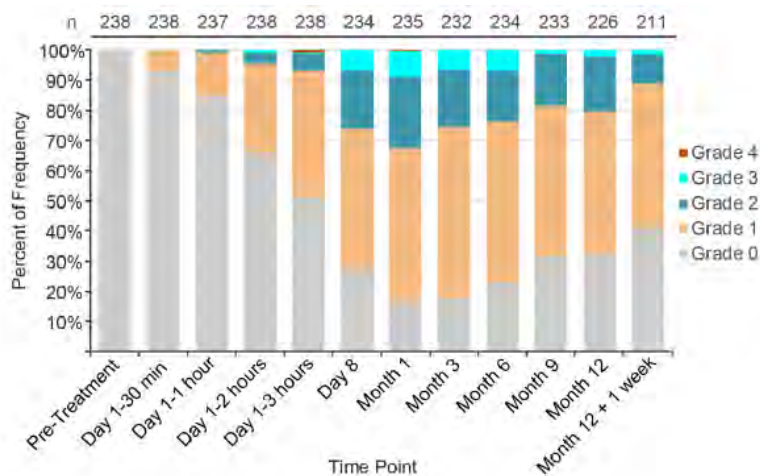
## Peanut Specific IgE and IgG4



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## Skin Reactions with Peanut Patch Treatment

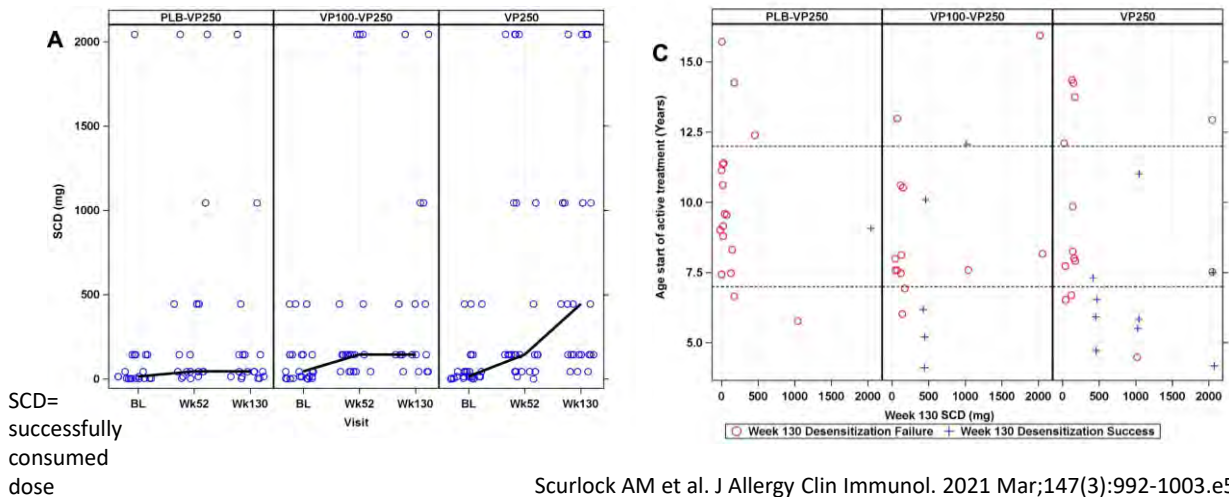


Participants are still receiving treatment at month 12 + 1 week.

Reaction definitions: Grade 0: negative; Grade 1: only erythema, or erythema + infiltration; Grade 2: erythema, few papules; Grade 3: erythema, many or spreading papules; Grade 4: erythema, vesicles.

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# Epicutaneous immunotherapy for treatment of peanut allergy: Follow-up from the Consortium for Food Allergy Research



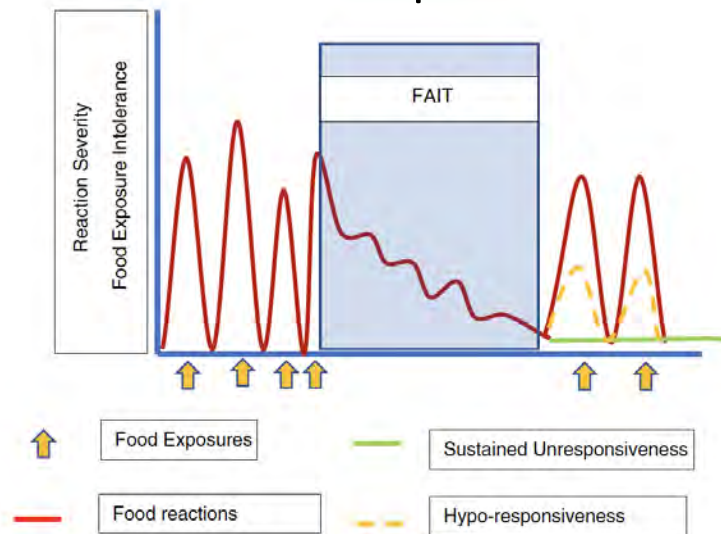
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## Phase 3 trial EPITOPE (EPIT in TOddlers with PEanut Allergy) Study

- Safety and efficacy of Viaskin™ Peanut 250 µg for the treatment of peanut-allergic toddlers ages 1 to 3
- Response was defined as
  - a subject with a baseline ED  $\leq 10$  mg who reached an ED  $\geq 300$  mg of peanut protein at month 12
  - a subject with a baseline ED  $> 10$  mg who reached an ED  $\geq 1,000$  mg of peanut protein at month 12.
- 67.0% of treated subjects responded, compared to 33.5% of subjects in the placebo arm ( $p < 0.001$ )
- Safety results were generally consistent with treatment in subjects  $\geq 4$  years in prior clinical trials

<https://www.globenewswire.com/news-release/2022/06/07/2458239/0/en/DBV-Technologies-Announces-Positive-Topline-Results-from-Phase-3-EPITOPE-Trial-of-Viaskin-Peanut-in-Peanut-Allergic-Toddlers.html>

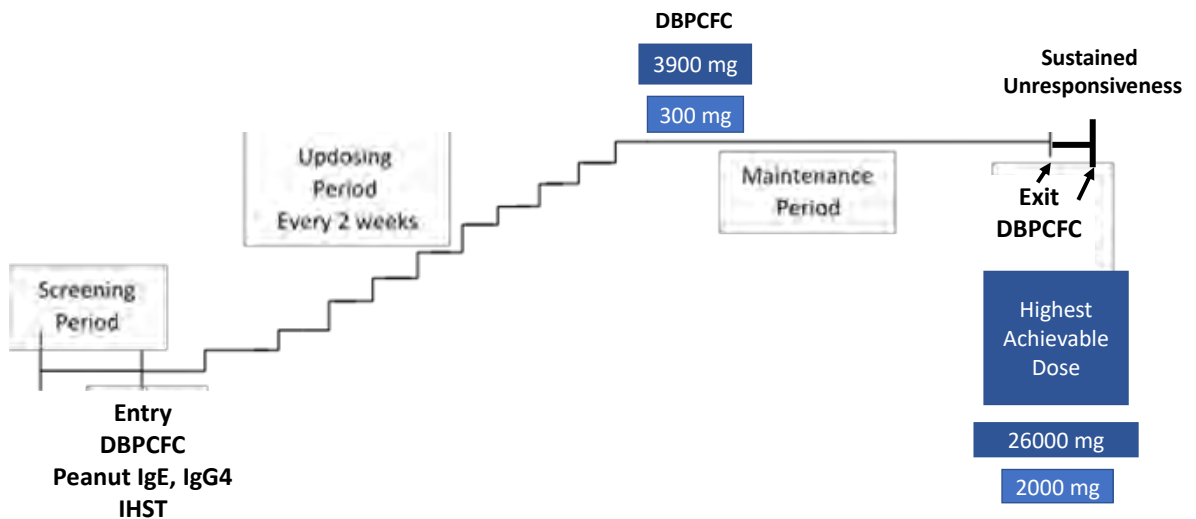
## Effect of Food Allergen Immunotherapy (FAIT) on Responses



Spergel et al. Curr Allergy and Asthma Reports. 2018

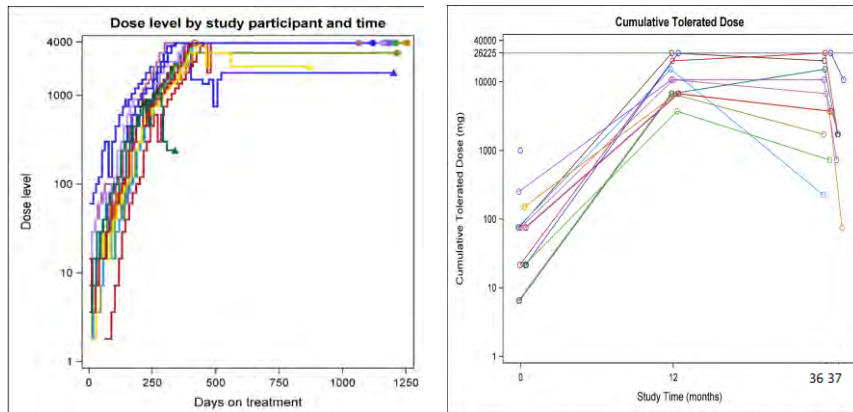
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## POIT Maximum Dose (POIMD) Food Immunotherapy Study



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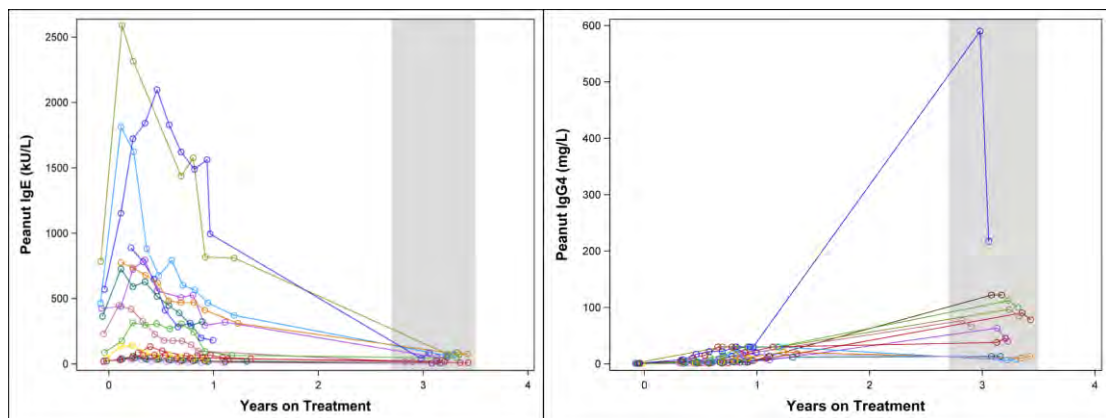
# Peanut Oral Immunotherapy Maximum Dose (POIMD) Study



Baseline - 73.4 mg (1/4 peanut)  
 36 months- 9,407 mg (30 peanuts)  
 1 month avoidance - 2,783 (9 peanuts)

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## Blood Testing



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## Comparison and Limitations of Food IT

	Oral Immunotherapy	Sublingual Immunotherapy	Epicutaneous Immunotherapy
<b>Route of Administration</b>	Oral (mouth)	Under the tongue	On the skin
<b>Foods Evaluated</b>	Cow's milk, hen's egg, peanut, tree nuts, fruits, vegetables	Cow's milk, peanut, hazelnut, kiwi	Cow's milk, peanut
<b>Daily Doses (Food Protein)</b>	300–4000 mg	2–7 mg	250 µg
<b>Efficacy *</b>	Large	Small-to-Moderate	Small, but variable
<b>Side Effects</b>	Common: local (oral or gastrointestinal including EoE)	Common: local (oral or pharyngeal)	Common: local (skin)
	Less common: systemic (3–4%)	Rare: systemic	Not yet reported: systemic

\*Refers to desensitization effect, not sustained unresponsiveness (SU).

Sara Anvari, Aikaterini Anagnostou. Children. 2018 Apr 4;5(4).

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## Limitations of Food Allergen IT

- Side effects are common, with GI symptoms being frequent
- Discontinuation occurs in older children compared to younger
- Hyporesponsiveness is achieved, but sustained unresponsiveness has been elusive
- Daily dosing is necessary to maintain response

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# Promise for the Future of Immunotherapy

- OIT with probiotics, herbal formulations and other adjuvants
- Omalizumab and dupilumab as monotherapies or in combination with allergen-specific therapies to improving safety and achieve SU
- OIT for non-peanut, egg and milk allergens and multiple foods
- Identification of best candidates for food allergen IT



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# Presentations for Saturday, June 25, 2022

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## **AERD - Diagnosis and Treatment**

Tanya Laidlaw, MD

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Investigating epidemiologic and immunologic relationships between systemic and gastrointestinal food allergies

Presented by:

Stanislaw Gabryszewski, MD, PhD

Saturday, June 25, 2022

8:45 a.m. - 8:55 p.m.



## Determination of National and Regional Patterns of Pediatric Allergy Using Electronic Health Record Data

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**Rationale:** Analyses of electronic health record (EHR)-based clinical cohorts overcome limitations of survey-based methodologies, such as reporting bias. To date, EHR-based analyses have not been applied to the study of national allergic disease patterns.

**Methods:** We defined a cohort of 219,397 children aged 0-18 years using the United States (US) multi-state Comparative Effectiveness Research Through Collaborative Electronic Reporting (CER2) EHR database, which spans 27 states. Diagnosis codes and medication prescriptions were used to identify subjects with atopic dermatitis (AD), IgE-mediated food allergy (IgE-FA), asthma, allergic rhinitis (AR), and eosinophilic esophagitis (EoE). We determined cumulative incidence and peak age of incidence, regional variations in cumulative incidence, and the most common food allergens for IgE-FA.

**Results:** The cumulative incidence (and peak age of incidence) for allergic manifestations were 10.2% (0.3 years) for AD, 4.0% (1.1 years) for IgE-FA, 20.0% (1.1 years) for asthma, 19.7% (2.1 years) for AR, and 0.11% (2.9 years) for EoE. Cumulative incidences varied by geographical region. 13.3% of children had 2 or more allergic conditions, and respiratory allergies (asthma, AR) shared marked comorbidity with each other and with other manifestations. The most common documented food allergens overall were peanut (1.9%), egg (0.8%), and shellfish (0.6%).

**Conclusion:** Our EHR-based analysis of a multi-state cohort expands on previous regional analyses to detail US pediatric allergy rates on a national scale. Incidence patterns support the classical allergic march sequence and the variable natural histories of food allergies. We detected notably lower rates of IgE-FA and milk allergy as compared with prior studies. The ability to accurately describe trends in pediatric allergic disease patterns is important from the perspectives of clinical medicine, public health, and scientific inquiry.

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## **Recognizing Health Disparities in Food Allergy**

Presented by:  
Carla Davis, MD

Saturday, June 25, 2022  
9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.



# Recognizing Health Disparities in Food Allergy

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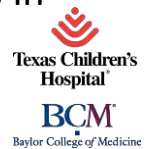
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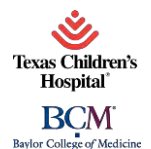
- Describe current evidence regarding health disparities within food allergy in racial and ethnic underserved populations
- Know what interventions to mitigate disparities that can be implemented
- Share what you can do in the future to address disparities in food allergy



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## Outline

Definition of Health Disparity and Health Equity  
 Disparities in Food Allergy Prevalence  
 Disparities in Food Allergy Management  
 Disparities in Food Allergy Reaction Preparedness  
 Disparities in Food Allergy Eczema and Asthma  
 Socioeconomic Variables Impacting Clinical Outcomes  
 What You Can Do



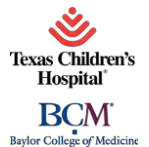
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*AAAAI Work Group Report*

## Health disparities in allergic and immunologic conditions in racial and ethnic underserved populations: A Work Group Report of the AAAAI Committee on the Underserved



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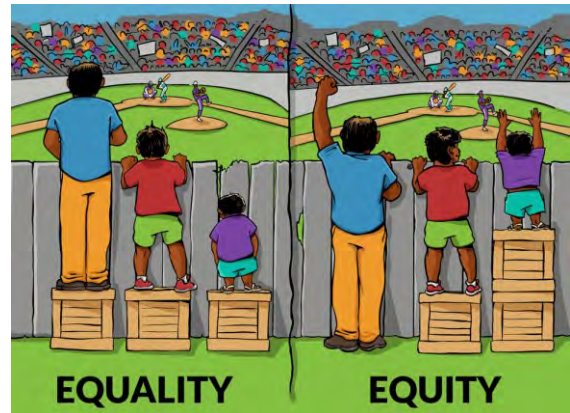
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# What are Healthcare Disparities?

- **Health disparity:** Health difference linked with economic, social and environmental disadvantage
  - Adversely affects groups that have systematically experienced greater social or economic obstacles to health based on their race, ethnicity, religion, SES status, gender, age, disability, sexual orientation, and/or geographic location
- **Health Equity:** Principle underlying the commitment to reduce disparity and its determinants



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Braveman, What Are Health Disparities and Health Equity? We Need to Be Clear, Public Health Rep 2014

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Davis et al. JACI. 2021. Baylor College of Medicine

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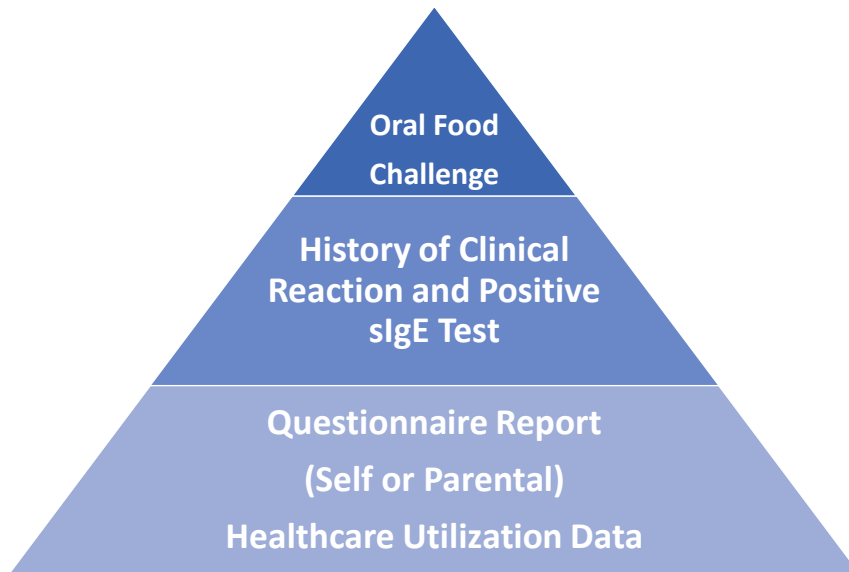
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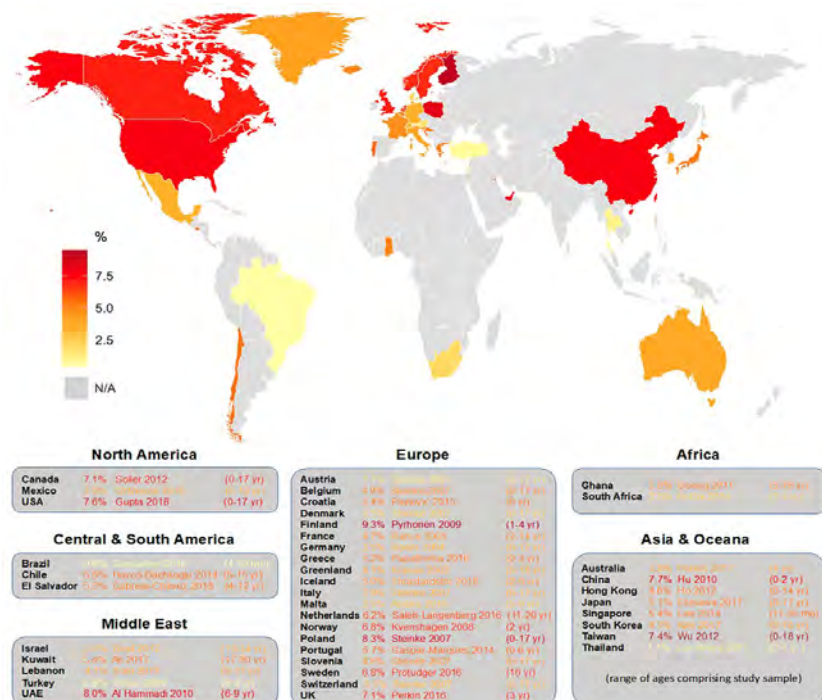
## Disparities in Food Allergy Prevalence

# Prevalence is Influenced by the Criteria Used for the Definition of Food Allergy



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Data suggest increasing prevalence, with rates up to 8-10% depending on age, geography, and criteria used for definition



Warren CM, Jiang J, Gupta RS.  
Curr Allergy Asthma Rep. 2020  
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10.1007/s11882-020-0898-7.

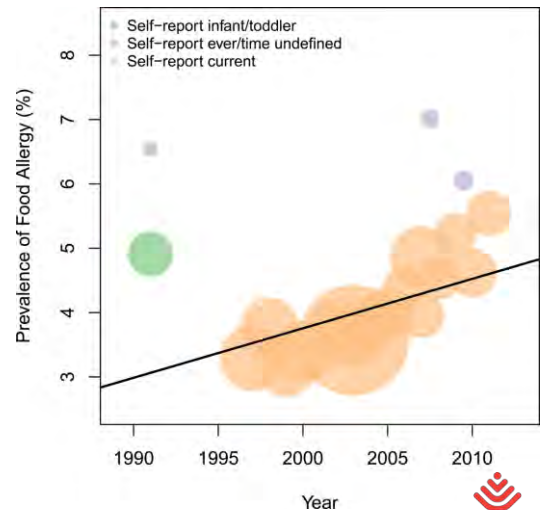
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## Disparities in Prevalence of Food Allergy

Self-report of food allergy among US children has sharply increased in the past 2 decades with the greatest increase among non-Hispanic black children

Retrospective cohort study of children compared with non-Hispanic white children:

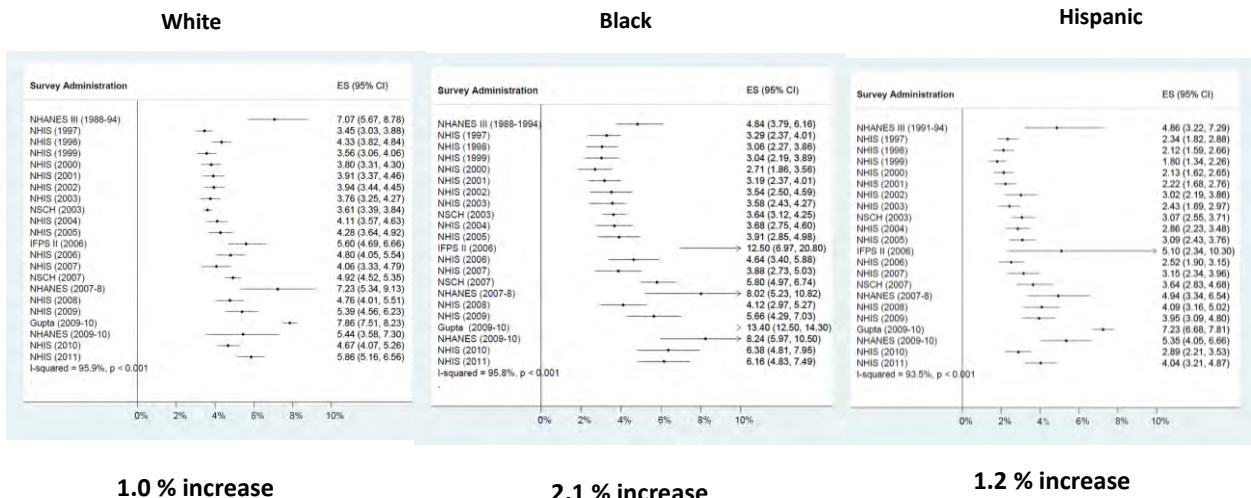
- African American children had
  - more asthma and eczema ( $P < .01$ )
  - significantly higher odds of allergy to wheat, soy, corn, fish, and shellfish ( $P < .01$ )
- Hispanic children had
  - significantly higher odds of allergy to corn, fish, and shellfish ( $P < .01$ )
  - Hispanic children higher odds of eczema ( $P < .01$ )



Keet CA et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2014 Mar;112(3):222-229.e3.; Mahdavinia M et al. JACI in Practice, 2017

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## Self-report of current food allergy by ethnicity increased from 1991 to 2011



Keet CA et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2014 Mar;112(3):222-229.e3

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Table 1. Estimated Current FA Prevalence Rates Among US Adults

Variable	Prevalence of Current FA, % (95% CI)	P Value	Prevalence of Adult-Onset Current FA, % (95% CI)	P Value
Overall	10.8 (10.4-11.1)	NA	5.2 (4.9-5.4)	NA
Race/ethnicity				
Asian, non-Hispanic	11.4 (9.8-13.3)	<.001	4.8 (3.8-6.1)	<.001
Black, non-Hispanic	11.2 (10.2-12.3)		5.1 (4.4-5.9)	
White, non-Hispanic	10.1 (9.7-10.6)		5.2 (4.9-5.5)	
Hispanic	11.6 (10.5-12.8)		4.6 (3.9-5.4)	
Multiple or other	15.9 (13.6-18.6)		7.2 (5.8-9.0)	
Sex				
Male	7.5 (7.0-7.9)	<.001	3.0 (2.7-3.3)	<.001
Female	13.8 (13.3-14.4)		7.2 (6.8-7.7)	

Gupta RS, Warren CM, Smith BM, Jiang J, Blumenstock JA, Davis MM, et al. JAMA Netw Open 2019; 2:e185630.

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Caregiver reported FA significantly lower among children in household incomes <\$50 000 vs ≥\$50 000

TABLE 4 Multiple Logistic Regression Models: Adjusted Odds of Food Allergy, Diagnosis of Food Allergy, and Severe Food Allergy

Variable	Food Allergy vs No Food Allergy	Confirmed vs Convincing Food Allergy	Severe vs Mild-to-Moderate Food Allergy
<b>Race/ethnicity vs white, non-Hispanic</b>			
Asian, non-Hispanic	1.4 (1.2–1.7)	0.7 (0.4–0.9)	0.7 (0.4–1.0)
Black, non-Hispanic	1.8 (1.6–2.1)	0.8 (0.6–1.0)	1.1 (0.8–1.4)
Hispanic	0.9 (0.8–1.1)	0.8 (0.6–1.0)	0.9 (0.7–1.2)
Multiple/other, non-Hispanic	1.1 (0.9–1.4)	1.2 (0.8–1.8)	1.1 (0.7–1.7)
<b>Gender</b>			
Male vs female	0.9 (0.9–1.1)	1.1 (0.9–1.3)	1.3 (1.0–1.5)
<b>Age vs 0–2 y</b>			
3–5	1.5 (1.3–1.8)	1.4 (1.0–1.9)	1.6 (1.1–2.4)
6–10	1.2 (1.1–1.4)	1.2 (0.9–1.1)	1.6 (1.2–2.3)
11–13	1.3 (1.1–1.5)	1.1 (0.8–1.6)	1.9 (1.4–2.8)
14–17	1.4 (1.2–1.6)	1.2 (0.9–1.7)	2.1 (1.5–3.0)
<b>Household income, \$</b>			
<50 000 vs ≥50 000	0.5 (0.4–0.7)	0.5 (0.4–0.6)	0.8 (0.6–0.9)
<b>Geographic region vs Midwest</b>			
Northeast	1.3 (1.2–1.5)	1.3 (1.0–1.7)	1.1 (0.9–1.5)
South	1.5 (1.3–1.7)	1.1 (0.9–1.4)	1.1 (0.8–1.4)
West	1.3 (1.1–1.5)	1.0 (0.7–1.3)	1.0 (0.7–1.3)
<b>Report of multiple food allergies</b>			
Yes vs no	—	3.1 (2.6–3.8)	3.2 (2.7–4.0)

Each estimate is adjusted for all variables listed in the table.

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## Exploring racial differences in IgE-mediated food allergy in the WHEALS birth cohort

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- Wayne County Health, Environment, Allergy, and Asthma Longitudinal Study (590 infants )
- Sensitization (serum specific IgE >0.35 IU/mL) to the food allergens was significantly higher for African American children compared with non-African American children
- A higher proportion of African American children were designated as having peanut allergy
  - % African American children with sIgE level >95% predictive decision points for peanut was 1.7% vs 0.5% for non-African American children.
- After logistic regression, race/ethnicity was associated with sensitization to >1 of the food allergens (aOR, 1.80; 95% CI, 1.22-2.65; P = .003).

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## The prevalence and characteristics of food allergy in urban minority children

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*Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol 109 (2012) 431–437*

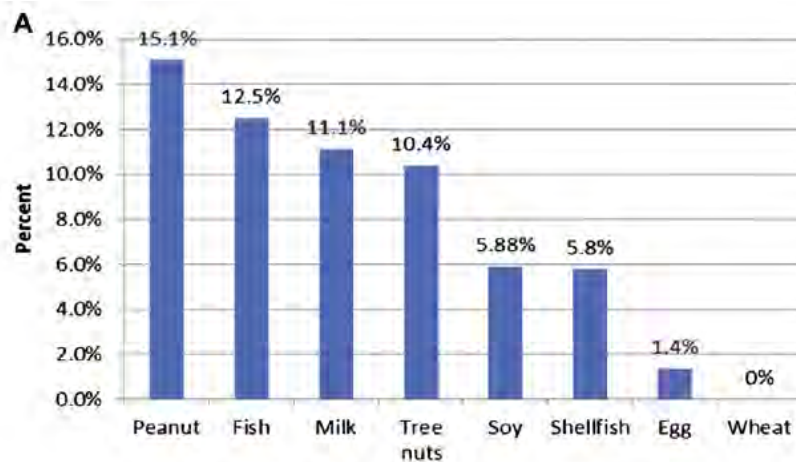
- A retrospective review of EMR from children seen in the hospital-based general pediatric clinic at Mount Sinai Hospital serving East Harlem, NY, between July 1, 2008 and July 1, 2010
- Of 9,184 children seen in this low-income, minority clinic, 3.4% (313) had a physician-documented food allergy
- Significantly more black children (4.7%) were affected than children of other races (2.7%, P < .0001)



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Taylor-Black S, Wang J. The prevalence and characteristics of food allergy in urban minority children. *Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol.* 2012 Dec;109(6):431-7.



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## Higher prevalence of food allergy in Black and Hispanic NYC school children

Results of questionnaire by school type

	Private schools (n = 495 students)	Public charter schools (n = 437 students)	P value
Response rate, n (%)	263 (60)	135 (27)	<.0001
Age (y), median (range)	8 (4–12)	6 (6–10)	<.001
Girls, n (%)	126 (48)	65 (48)	.8
Race, n (%)			
White	196 (74.5)	8 (5.9)	<.0001
Black	12 (4.6)	67 (49.6)	<.0001
Asian	19 (7.2)	0 (0)	.0006
Hispanic	18 (6.8)	74 (54.8)	.0001
Median annual income (US\$)	>150,000	25,000–49,000	<.0001
Has a doctor ever told you that your child has a food allergy? n (%)			
Yes	46 (17.5)	11 (7.4)	.006
Unsure	5 (1.9)	5 (4.4)	.19
Parental report of food allergy by food, n (%)			
Egg	3 (1.1)	2 (1.5)	.1
Milk	3 (1.1)	1 (0.7)	.1
Peanut	15 (5.7)	5 (3.7)	.5
Tree nuts	16 (6.1)	1 (0.7)	.02

Taylor-Black SA, Mehta H, Weiderpass E, Boffetta P, Sicherer SH, Wang J.  
*Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol.* 2014 Jun;112(6):554-556.e1.

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## FORWARD (Food allergy Outcomes Related to White and African-American Racial Differences)

- Objective was to compare clinical and psychosocial outcomes, phenotypes and endotypes, and management practices among a large, socioeconomically and geographically diverse sample of food allergic African American and White children.
- African Americans had higher adjusted odds of allergy to finfish (OR: 2.54,  $P < .01$ ) and shellfish (OR: 3.10,  $P < .001$ ) than Whites.
- African Americans also had higher adjusted odds of asthma than Whites (asthma prevalence of 60.5% in African Americans and 27.2% in Whites; OR: 2.70,  $P < .001$ ).
- In addition, shellfish allergy was associated with asthma, after controlling for race.

Mahdavinia M...Gupta RS. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2021 Jul;9(7):2867-2873.e1.  
Davis CM. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2021 Jul;9(7):2874-2875.

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## Disparities in Food Allergy Management

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## FA Physician Documentation, Testing, and Anticipatory Guidance is Lower in Minority Patients

- In low income, urban minority patients with a physician-documented food allergy, fewer than half had confirmatory testing or evaluation by an allergy specialist.
- Although most had epinephrine autoinjectors prescribed, most were not given food allergy action plans.
  - Significantly more blacks were affected than children of other races.
- Black and Hispanics have higher rates of FA-related anaphylaxis and emergency department visits ( $P < .01$ ).

Taylor-Black S et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2012;109(6):431-7  
 Bilaver LA et al. Pediatrics. 2016;137(5)  
 Mahdavinia M et al. JACI in Practice, 2017;5(2):352-357.e1.



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## Food Allergy Diagnosis and Follow Up

- Formal food allergy diagnosis is lower among black children despite higher sensitization rates and higher odds of reported severe reactions due to food allergy
- Black and Hispanic children have a shorter duration of follow-up for FA with an allergy specialist (~ 2 years vs. 3 years in White children)

Greenhawt, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol: In Practice. 2013;1:378-86  
 Mahdavinia M et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol: In Practice. 2017  
 Gupta et al. Pediatrics. 2011;128:e9-e17



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Medicaid  
insurance status  
is associated  
with decreased  
duration of  
follow up

**TABLE E2.** Impact of insurance status on food allergy-related outcomes

Insurance group	No Medicaid	Medicaid
Percent of cases with anaphylaxis to foods	21.4	32.4
Odds ratios (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>	ref	1.17 (0.80-1.70) <i>P</i> = .423
Percent of cases with ED visit for food allergy	23.1	38.0
Odds ratios (95% CI)	ref	1.33 (0.92-1.92) <i>P</i> = .128
Age in years at first allergist visit (mean ± standard deviation)	4.35 ± 3.70	4.66 ± 3.73
Regression coefficients (95% CI) <sup>†</sup>	ref	0.17 (−0.13 to 0.46) <i>P</i> = .263
Duration of follow-up (y) (mean ± standard deviation)	3.20 ± 2.12	2.32 ± 2.38
Regression coefficients (95% CI)	ref	−0.54 (−0.90 to −0.19) <i>P</i> = .002

Mahdavinia M et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2017;5(2):352-357.e1.

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## Disparities in Food Allergy Parental Knowledge

- Black, Hispanic, and Asian parents were:
  - Less likely to correctly identify signs of a FA reaction
  - Less likely to identify triggers
  - More likely to recognize the need to avoid food allergens

Characteristic	Able to identify 2 signs of a milk allergy reaction	Able to identify 3 triggers of food allergy	Recognize necessity of allergenic food avoidance	Aware that daily medicine cannot treat food allergy
Aged ≥65 y	0.81 (0.69–0.96) <sup>b</sup>	0.72 (0.52–0.99) <sup>b</sup>	1.28 (1.14–1.43) <sup>b</sup>	1.16 (0.95–1.42)
Female sex	1.26 (1.14–1.39) <sup>b</sup>	1.02 (0.86–1.22)	1.07 (0.99–1.16)	1.14 (1.00–1.31) <sup>b</sup>
Race				
Black	0.83 (0.73–0.95) <sup>b</sup>	0.64 (0.48–0.84) <sup>b</sup>	1.13 (1.02–1.25) <sup>b</sup>	1.02 (0.85–1.22)
Hispanic	0.80 (0.71–0.91) <sup>b</sup>	0.68 (0.53–0.89) <sup>b</sup>	1.15 (1.04–1.26) <sup>b</sup>	1.01 (0.85–1.21)
Asian	0.84 (0.72–0.97) <sup>b</sup>	0.97 (0.76–1.25)	1.06 (0.94–1.20)	1.04 (0.86–1.26)
College graduate	0.96 (0.86–1.07)	1.05 (0.86–1.28)	0.99 (0.90–1.09)	1.23 (1.06–1.42) <sup>b</sup>
Annual income <\$75,000	1.03 (0.94–1.12)	0.86 (0.72–1.02)	1.09 (1.00–1.18)	0.92 (0.81–1.05)
Parent of child <18 y	1.03 (0.94–1.13)	1.01 (0.85–1.21)	1.11 (1.02–1.20) <sup>b</sup>	1.07 (0.93–1.23)
Prior training in food allergy	1.12 (1.00–1.25) <sup>b</sup>	1.42 (1.15–1.74) <sup>b</sup>	1.04 (0.93–1.15)	1.11 (0.94–1.31)
Food-allergic acquaintance	1.22 (1.11–1.35) <sup>b</sup>	1.03 (0.86–1.30)	0.93 (0.86–1.01)	1.03 (0.90–1.18)

\* Data are given as relative risk ratio (95% confidence interval).

<sup>b</sup> *P* < .05.

Gupta et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2009;103:43-50

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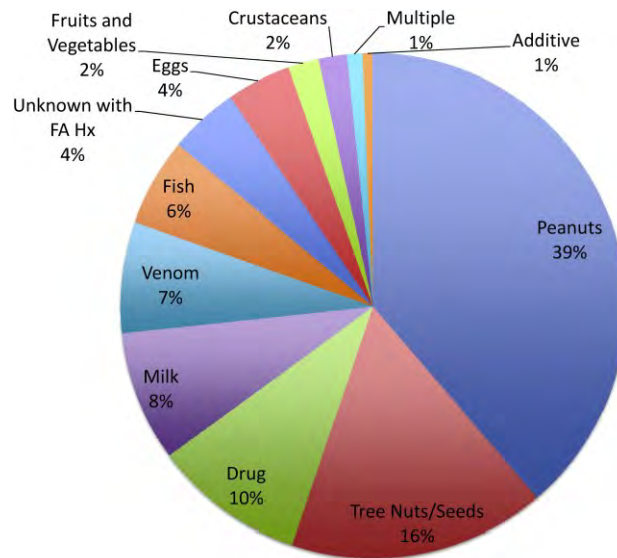


## Disparities in Food Allergy Reaction Preparedness

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### Food-Induced PICU Anaphylaxis

Children in 131 North American (US and Canada) PICUs prospectively enrolled in the Virtual Pediatric Systems database from 2010 to 2015



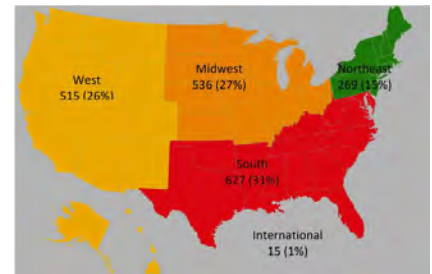
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## Population Specific Triggers

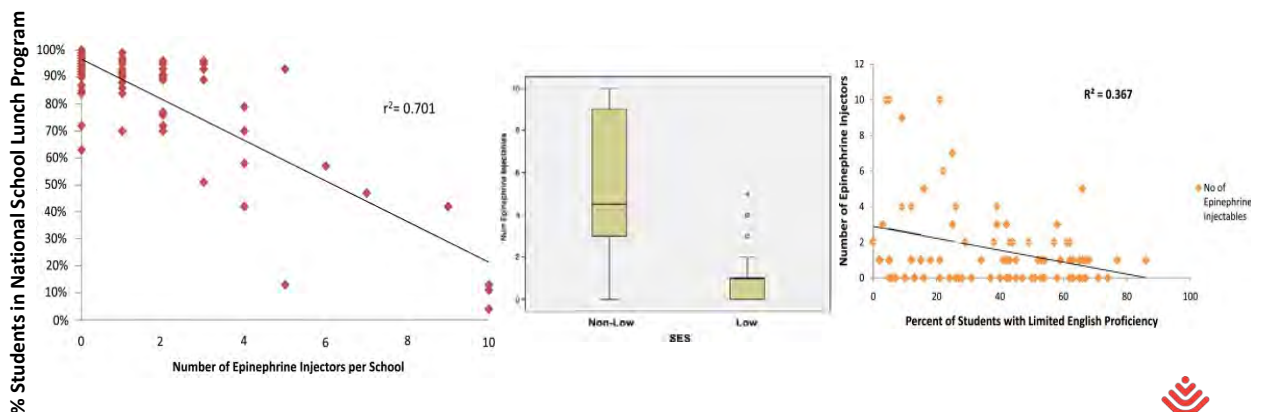
- There were differences among children with different race/ethnicities ( $P < .001$ )
  - In Black children, fish (60%) and shellfish (67%) were the most common triggers
  - In White children, tree nuts (59%) and milk (64%)
  - In Asian children, eggs (10%) and tree nuts/seeds (9%)
  - In Hispanic children, crustaceans (22%), eggs (20%), and fish (20%).
- There were also significant differences among children in different US regions ( $P = .044$ ).
  - In Midwestern children, milk (46%) or shellfish (45%) were the most common triggers
  - In Northeastern children, eggs (25%) and milk (22%)
  - In Southern children, shellfish (45%)
  - In Western children, tree nuts/seeds (30%) or peanuts (31%).



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## Disparities in Emergency Preparedness

- Epinephrine has shown to be less available in schools when needed in low income, low English proficiency and rural populations.

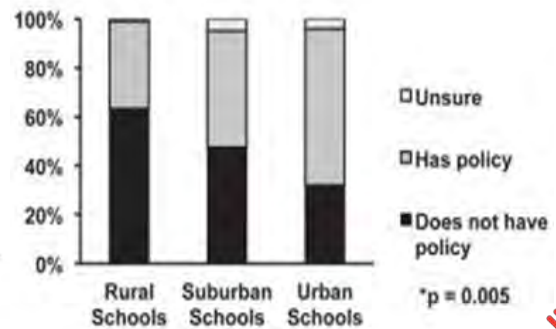
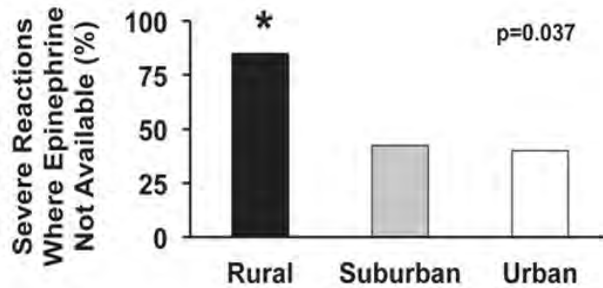


Shah SS et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2014;2:288-93.e1.

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Rural communities reported less epinephrine availability than urban and suburban communities

Nurses from rural schools were least likely to report a policy for undesignated epinephrine



Szychliński C et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2015;3(5):805-7.e8.

## Socioeconomic Variables Impacting Food Allergy

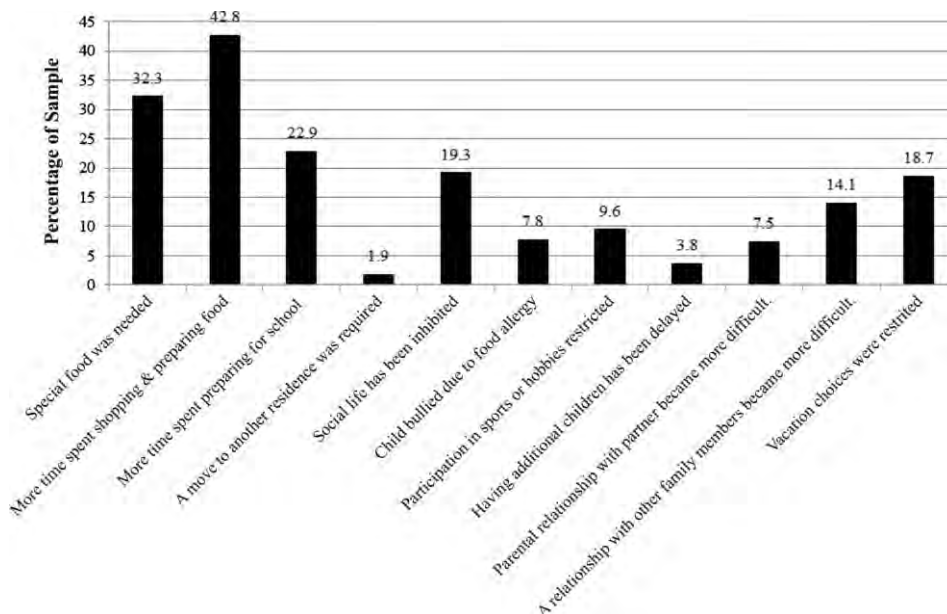
## Socioeconomic Disparities in the Economic Impact of Childhood Food Allergy

Lucy A. Bilaver, PhD,<sup>a</sup> Kristen M. Kester, MD, MPH,<sup>b</sup> Bridget M. Smith, PhD,<sup>c,d,e</sup> Ruchi S. Gupta, MD, MPH<sup>c,d</sup>

- Cross-sectional survey data (November 2011 and January 2012) from 1,643 US caregivers with a food-allergic child.
- 2-part regression model to estimate mean costs and identified differences by levels of household income and race or ethnicity.
- Children in the lowest income stratum incurred 2.5 times the amount of emergency department and hospitalization costs as a result of their food allergy than higher-income children.
- Costs incurred for specialist visits were lower in the lowest income group (\$228) compared with the highest income group (\$311;  $P < .01$ ) as was spending on out-of-pocket medication costs (\$117, lowest income; \$366, highest income;  $P < .001$ ).
- Conclusion: Affordable access to specialty care, medications, and allergen-free foods are critical to keep all food-allergic children safe, regardless of income and race.

Bilaver LA, Kester KM, Smith BM, Gupta RS. Pediatrics. 2016 May;137(5):e20153678.

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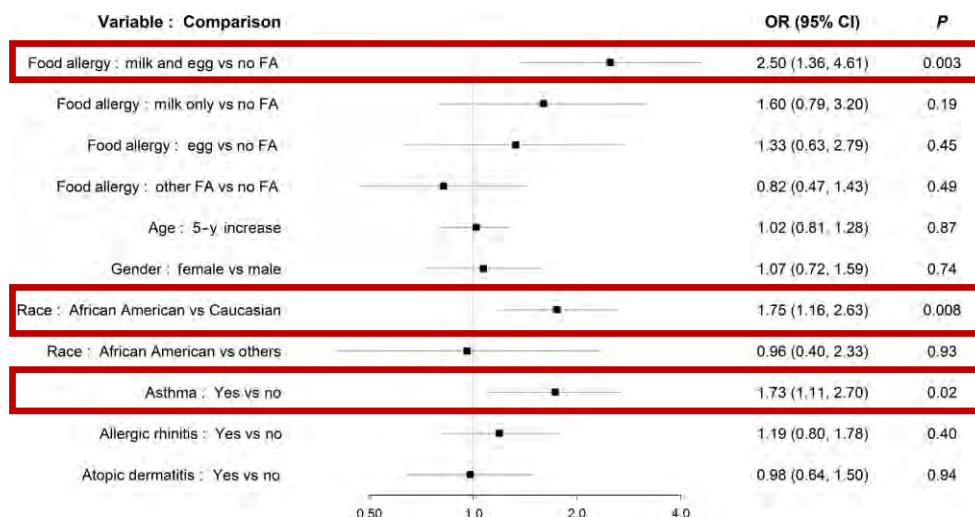
## Food allergy-related bullying and associated peer dynamics among Black and White children

- FORWARD - prospective multicenter cohort study, initiated to evaluate racial differences in the natural history of food allergy among Black and White children.
- No significant racial differences in FA-related bullying prevalence were identified overall (20.0% of White vs 15.6% of Black;  $P = .50$ )
- In those  $\geq 11$  years old, the rates were higher among White (44.8% vs 18.2% of Black),  $P = .046$
- In contrast, bullying unrelated to FA was higher among Black (38.6%), vs. White children (17.7%),  $P = .002$

Brown D...Warren C. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2021 Mar;126(3):255-263.e1.

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## Food Insecurity Risk Factors



Food insecurity is associated with poorer quality of life.

Dilley MA et al. Pediatr Allergy Immunol. 2019 May;30(3):363-369.

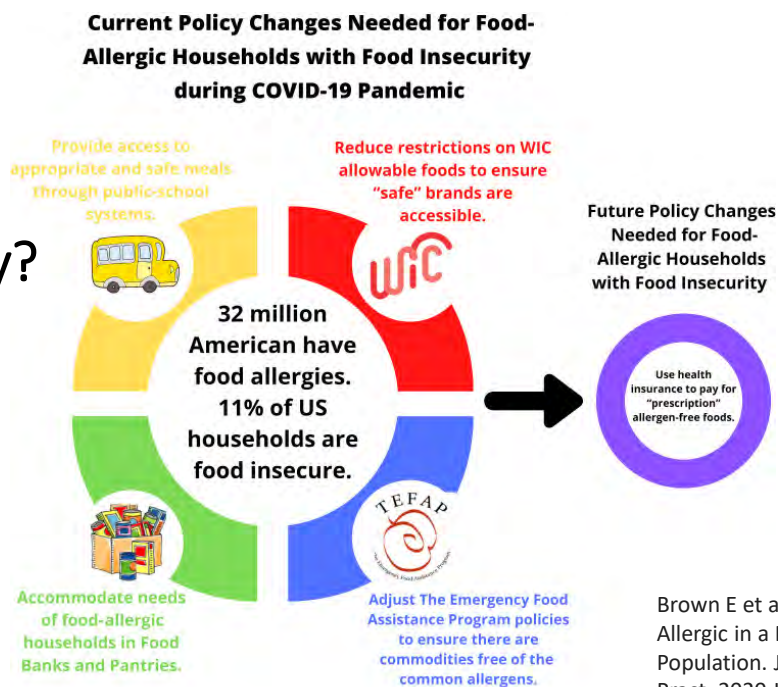
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<div>Free-From MARKETPLACE</div> <div>DIRECT 2 PATIENT</div> <div>IMPACT OF FOOD ALLERGIES ON A FOOD BUDGET</div>					
Item	*Price	Substitute	*Price	Price Difference	Percent Increase
Spaghetti	\$1.55	Gluten Free Spaghetti	\$5.05	\$3.50	226%
Egg Noodles 1 lb.	\$1.25	Gluten Free Fusilli Pasta	\$5.05	\$3.80	304%
Elbow Macaroni 1 lb.	\$1.28	Gluten Free Penne Pasta	\$5.05	\$3.77	294%
Peanut Butter 1 lb. <small>W</small>	\$1.79	Sunflower Seed Spread	\$7.89	\$6.10	340%
Flour 1 lb. <small>W</small>	\$0.44	Gluten Free Flour	\$3.63	\$3.19	725%
Flour 1 lb. <small>W</small>	\$0.44	Coconut Flour	\$5.39	\$5.10	1159%
Bread 1 lb. <small>W</small>	\$1.46	Gluten Free Bread	\$7.19	\$5.73	392%
Eggs 1 doz. <small>W</small>	\$1.09	Egg Replacer	\$5.44	\$4.35	399%

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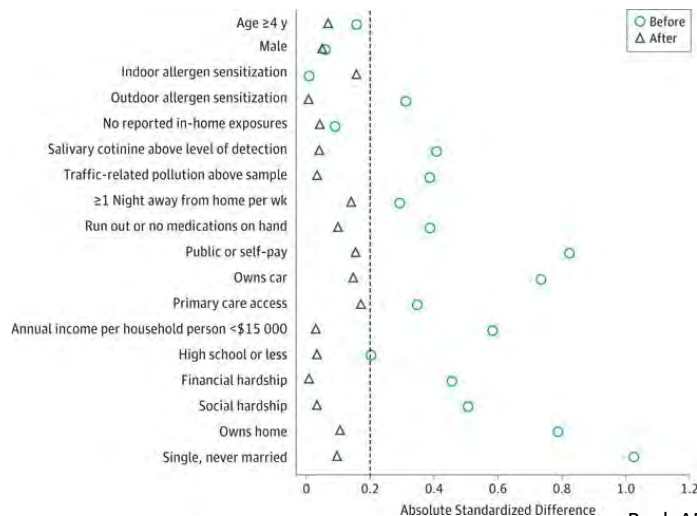
## How to Address Food Insecurity?



Brown E et al. Food Insecure and Allergic in a Pandemic: A Vulnerable Population. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2020 Jul-Aug;8(7):2149-2151.

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# Asthma readmission disparity explained after statistically balancing SES variables

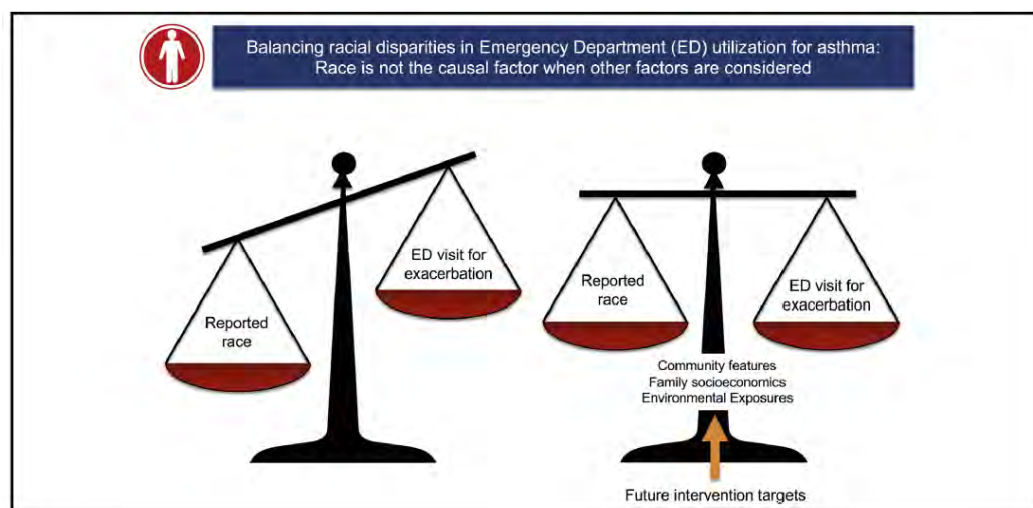


Socioeconomic hardship variables explained 53% of the observed disparity

Beck AF et al. JAMA Pediatr. 2016 Jul 1;170(7):695-703.

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**Racial disparities in asthma-related ED use are evident between black and white patients with asthma but can be eliminated when socioeconomic and environmental variables are equally balanced between groups.**



Fitzpatrick et al. JACI 2019

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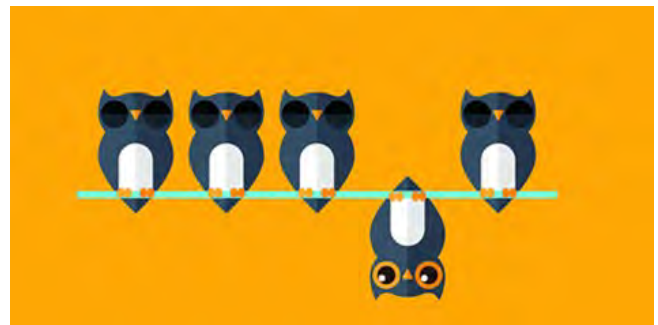


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## Implicit Bias is.....

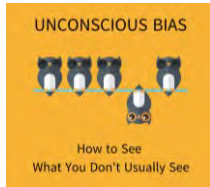
- A bias that results from the tendency to process information based on **unconscious associations and feelings**, even when these are contrary to one's conscious or declared beliefs



*The bias blind spot* is the cognitive bias of recognizing the impact of biases on the judgment of others, while failing to see the impact of biases on one's own judgment.

**We're Not Bad, We're Human.**

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## Healthcare Quality and Implicit (Unconscious) Bias



- **Healthcare professionals have implicit biases - No one is immune.**
  - We resist the unfamiliar, and our processes can reflect or reinforce bias.
  - Studies show a significant positive correlation between level of implicit bias and lower quality of health care.
- **Implicit bias affects clinical judgement and behavior**
  - Bias is evident either in the diagnosis, the treatment recommendations, the number of questions asked of the patient, the number of tests ordered, or other responses.
- **There are specific determinants of bias**
  - Socio-demographic characteristics of physicians and nurses (e.g. gender, race, type of healthcare setting, years of experience, country where medical training received) are correlated with level of bias.



FitzGerald C, Hurst S. Implicit bias in healthcare professionals: a systematic review. BMC Med Ethics. 2017 Mar 1;18(1):19. <https://www.boyden.com/media/checking-your-blind-spot-ways-to-find-and-fix-unconscious-bias-7627148/index.htm>

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## What You Can Do



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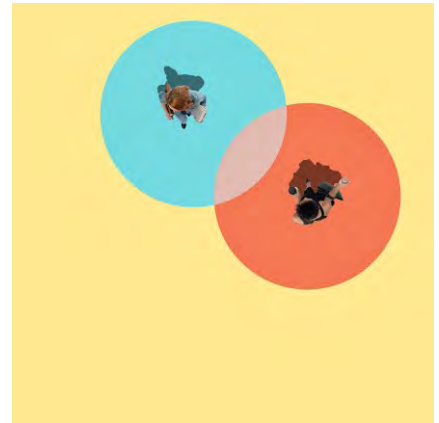
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- **Introspection:** Explore and identify your own prejudices
- **Mindfulness:** Since you're more likely to give in to your biases when you're under pressure, practice ways to reduce stress
- **Perspective-taking:** Consider experiences from the point of view of the other person
- **Learn to slow down:** Before interacting with people from certain groups, pause and reflect to reduce reflexive actions
- **Individuation:** Evaluate people based on their personal characteristics rather than those affiliated with their group



"You can't eliminate bias but you can 'learn how to dance with it' to minimize its effect." Howard Ross

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## Strategies to Help Reduce Food Allergy Health Disparities



- Require medical provider training with cross-cultural education to reduce implicit/unconscious bias.
- Recruit and hire diverse patient-facing faculty and staff, who can help educate non-English speaking patients or patients with low health literacy.
- Identify systemic and other barriers to care for underserved populations in your practice/institution and develop strategies to address them.



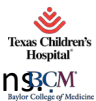
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## Strategies to Help Reduce Food Allergy Health Disparities



- Implement more culturally sensitive patient education efforts and collaborative patient-clinician decision-making processes.
- Improve access to specialty care in underserved communities.
  - Develop relationships with community primary care physicians and other healthcare providers or organizations
  - Commit resources to have a proportion of patients in a practice who have public insurance
- Increase research studies addressing diagnosis, management and outcomes for underserved populations



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## Strategies to Help Reduce Food Allergy Health Disparities



- Screen for social determinants of health (SDOH) with a non-biased approach and address in office visits.
  - [https://www.aafp.org/journals/fpm/blogs/inpractice/entry/social\\_determinants.html](https://www.aafp.org/journals/fpm/blogs/inpractice/entry/social_determinants.html)
- Give patient education about SDOH and provide clinical care resources to address them
  - Social service resources like auntbertha ([www.findhelp.org](http://www.findhelp.org)) and 211 ([www.211.org](http://www.211.org))
  - Dietary resources like Food Equality Initiative
- Join and advocate through medical societies and lay organizations for policy change in insurance coverage for underserved communities.
- Engage trainees from minority communities for training and mentoring opportunities.



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## Conclusions

- Health disparities are significant in populations with food allergies.
- Socioeconomic factors and other social determinants of health contribute to these disparities.
- Health disparities include increased risks for anaphylaxis and ER visits and lack of access to subspecialty care.
- Understanding the key features to recognize the presentation and concerns of patients from underserved communities with food allergies can target early, specific and meaningful prevention strategies and interventions.

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PENNSYLVANIA ALLERGY & ASTHMA ASSOCIATION

# 73<sup>RD</sup> PAA ANNUAL MEETING

## **Annual Business Meeting**

Saturday, June 25, 2022

9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.





Welcome to the  
2022 Pennsylvania Allergy &  
Asthma Association  
Annual Business Meeting

Saturday, June 25, 2022  
9:45 - 10:15 am

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## AGENDA

- A. Call to Order (*Sigrid DaVeiga, MD*)
- B. Approval of Minutes of June 26, 2021, Annual Business Meeting (*Sigrid DaVeiga, MD*)
- C. President's Report (*Sigrid DaVeiga, MD*)
- D. Treasurer's Report/Finance Committee (*Gisoo Ghaffari, MD*)
- E. Committee/Representative Reports
  - 1) Membership (*Janet Beausoleil*)
  - 2) Nominating (*Allyson Larkin, MD*)
  - 3) PAERF (*Sarah Henrickson, MD*)
- F. New/Old Business (*Sigrid DaVeiga, MD*)
  - 1) Bylaws Amendment - DEI Standing Committee
- G. Recognition of Long-Standing Attendees (*Janet Beausoleil, MD*)
- H. Recognition of Outgoing President and Remarks (*Sigrid DaVeiga, MD* and *Janet Beausoleil, MD*)
- I. Remarks of Incoming President's Remarks (*Robert Zemble, MD*)
- J. Adjournment



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## APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

### June 26, 2021

- ▶I. **Call to Order** - Dr. Allyson Larkin, PAAA President, called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.
- ▶II. **Approval of Minutes of June 27, 2020, Annual Business Meeting** - On a motion made and seconded, those present voted unanimously via a Zoom Poll to approve the minutes of the 2020 Annual Business Meeting.
- ▶III. **President's Report** - Dr. Larkin thanked everyone for coming to the virtual annual business meeting. Dr. Larkin expressed her appreciation and thanks to Planning Committee, recognized the excellent programming and speakers the committee had assembled for this year's annual meeting, and stated that she looked forward to meeting in person next year.

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- ▶IV. **Treasurer's Report/Finance Committee** - Dr. Robert Zemle reported on the financial statement as of December 2020. He commented on PAAA's total assets and total liabilities. On a motion made and seconded, those present voted unanimously via a Zoom Poll to accept the financial statement.
- ▶V. **Report of the Membership Committee** - Dr. Janet Beausoleil reported on the membership statistics. She reported that PAAA gained one new member and three new fellows in training over the last year. The current membership stands at 177 dues-paying members. The Board has agreed to conduct an outreach drive to recoup these nonrenewing members.
- ▶VI. **Report of the Nominating Committee** - In the absence of Dr. Fisher, Dr. Larkin presented the Nominating Committee slate and called for any nominations from the floor. Hearing none, on a motion made and seconded, those present voted unanimously via a Zoom Poll to accept the slate as presented.

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▶VII. **PAERF** - Dr. Sarah Henrickson reviewed the financial report as of May 31, 2021, the PAERF list of donors, PAERF Research Grant recipients for 2021, winning abstract and digital poster presenters and the PAERF mentee/mentor program for 2021.

▶VIII. **Recognition of Long-Standing Attendees** - PAAA Historian Janet Beausoleil recognized Drs. Effat Mahmoud and Mary Fontana-Penn.

▶IX. **New/Old Business** - There was no new or old business.

▶X. **President Awards** - Dr. Janet Beausoleil thanked Dr. Larkin for her outstanding leadership as PAAA president and presented the president's award virtually.

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▶XI. **Passing of the Gavel** - Dr. Larkin passed the mantle of leadership to Dr. Sigrid DaVeiga and expressed complete confidence in her ability to lead PAAA going forward.

▶XII. **Remarks of Incoming President** - Dr. DaVeiga thanked Dr. Larkin for her leadership.

▶There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

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# TREASURER'S REPORT

Pennsylvania Allergy and Asthma Association  
Statement of Financial Position  
December 31, 2021

	YEAR TO DATE	PRIOR YEAR TO DATE
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash - Checking	\$0.00	\$500.00
Cash Management - Fulton	70,046.56	13,114.56
Long Term Investment	497,440.92	475,221.99
<b>Total Cash</b>	<b>567,487.48</b>	<b>488,836.55</b>
Accounts Receivable	150.00	3,300.00
Prepaid Expenses	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>567,637.48</b>	<b>492,136.55</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
Accounts Payable - General	\$2,201.90	5,988.48
Accounts Payable - PAMED	6,561.38	6,248.93
Unearned Revenue	40,850.00	9,950.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>57,603.28</b>	<b>22,187.41</b>
Net Assets, January 1	469,949.14	446,313.26
Change in Net Assets	39,685.06	21,635.85
<b>Net Assets, Year to Date</b>	<b>509,634.20</b>	<b>469,949.14</b>
<b>TOTAL LIAB AND NET ASSETS</b>	<b>567,637.48</b>	<b>492,136.55</b>

Prepared by the Foundation of the PA Medical Society



# MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Janet Beausoleil, MD



## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Current Membership	
Active	158
Associate	2
Corresponding	10
Emeritus	50
In-training	11
Total Members	231

### New Members Since June 2021

#### Active

Taha Al-Shaikhly, MD  
David Anmuth, MD  
Stanislaw Gabryszewski, MD  
Sujal Ghelani, MD  
Marc Goldstein, MD  
Maria Paula Henao, MD  
Lauren Kaminsky, MD

#### Active

Jennifer Kannan, MD  
John Kim, MD  
Mosopefoluwa Lanlokun, MD  
Archana Mehata, MD  
Sunjay Modi, MD  
Matthew Norris, MD  
Mary Lee Wong, MD, MS

#### Corresponding

Victoria Durf, MSN  
Matthew D. Stryker, Pharm D

#### In Training

Hannah Harrison, MD  
Kim Nguyen, MD  
Sunjay Modi, MD  
Marvi Rizwan, MD  
Elizabeth Hodara, MD

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## NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Ally Larkin, MD

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# NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

2022-2023 Board of Regents Nominees

Name	Position
Antonella Cianferoni, MD, PhD, Philadelphia, PA	Member-At-Large (4-year term)
Desha M. Jordan, MD, Pittsburgh, PA	Member-At-Large (4-year term)
Mosopefoluwa Lanlokuna, MD Pittsburgh, PA	Member -At-Large (1-year term)
Matthew Norris, MD, Hershey, PA	FIT (1-year term)

## Appointments

Magee DeFelice, MD	Program Chair 2023
Sarah Henrickson, MD, PhD	Assistant Program Chair 2023



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# PAERF REPORT

Sarah Henrickson, MD, PhD

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## PAERF DONORS

### Platinum

Corinna Bowser, MD  
 Kara E. Coffey, MD  
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 Magee L. DeFelice, MD  
 Denise DiPrimio-Kalman, DO  
 Joel M. Fiedler, MD  
 Laura H. Fisher, MD  
 Mary E. Fontana- Penn, MD  
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 Gisoo Ghaffari, MD  
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*Thank you PAERF Donors!*

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### Silver

Ishmael Faoud, MD  
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 Allyson S. Larkin, MD  
 Kristen M. Lutzkanin, MD  
 Michael J. Palumbo, MD  
 Mark A. Posner, MD  
 Robert P. Rabinowitz, DO  
 Rajendra Singh, MD  
 Steven D. Smith, MD  
 Robert M. Zemble, MD

### Bronze

Janet L. Beausoleil, MD  
 Soheil Chegini, MD  
 Hey Chong, MD  
 Sigrid DaVeiga, MD  
 Tom Ferro, MD  
 Sandra M. Gawchik, DO  
 Prakash Kaur, MD  
 Kristen Lutzkanin, MD  
 David Lee Miller, MD  
 Thekkemadom Ramakrishnan, MD  
 Karen Flynn-Rodden, MD



*Thank you PAERF Donors!*

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## PAERF RESEARCH GRANT RECIPIENTS

### 2022 Grant Recipient

- \$10,000 grant to Dr. Linda Nguyen - Impact of anaphylaxis plans in multiple languages in an outpatient pediatric allergy clinic setting

### 2021 Grant Recipients

- \$10,000 grant to Dr. Stanislaw Gabryszewski - Investigating epidemiologic and immunologic relationships between systemic and gastrointestinal food allergies
- \$2,500 mini-grant to Dr. Patrick Gleason - Utilization of biologics for persistent asthma
- \$2,500 mini-grant to Dr. Amandeep Sandhu - Systemic immune dysregulation in patients who have undergone Fontan procedure



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## PAERF POSTERS

Ramin Beheshti, MD  
 Hannah Harrison, MD  
 Elisabeth Hodara, MD  
 Lauren Kaminsky, MD, PhD  
 Anthony LaCava, MD  
 Sunjay Modi, MD  
 Kim Nguyen, MD  
 Catherine Popadiuk, MD  
 Colleen Shannon, MD, MPH  
 Sebastian Sylvestre, MD  
 Paulina Tran, DO



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# NEW/OLD BUSINESS - BYLAWS AMENDMENT

Sigrid DaVeiga, MD

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## NEW/OLD BUSINESS

**Proposed Bylaws Amendment - Creates a new PAAA Standing Committee on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. The language would add new paragraph i in Section 2.**

### ARTICLE VI - COMMITTEES

- ▶ Section 2. The Standing Committee chairs shall be members of the Board of Regents. The committees are:
  - ▶ i. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee - This committee is responsible for maintaining a repository of resources and model programs that serve to reduce barriers to entry into the medical profession and the A/I specialty for the historically underrepresented. Additionally, this committee is available as a resource, for example, to assist the Planning Committee for the Annual Meeting and other educational programs provided by PAAA to support consideration of diverse expert speakers and topics.



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## RECOGNITION OF LONG- STANDING ATTENDEES

Janet Beausoleil, MD

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## 2022 ANNUAL MEETING LONG-STANDING ATTENDEES

- ▶ Janet Beausoleil, MD
- ▶ Neil Feldman, DO
- ▶ Robert Rabinowitz, DO



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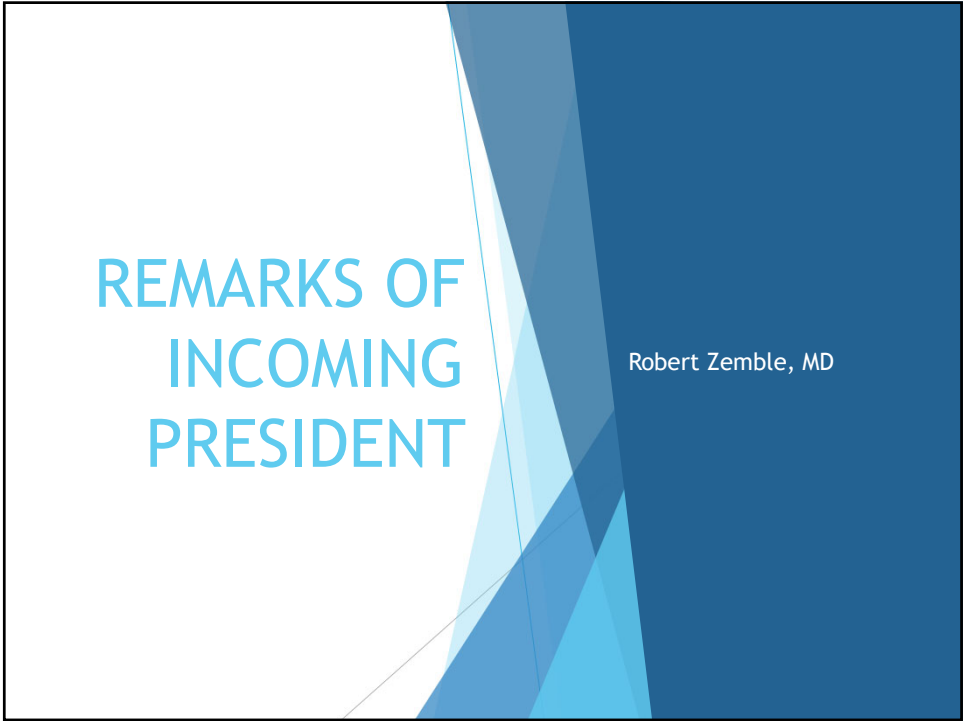




## RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING PRESIDENT AND REMARKS

Janet Beausoleil, MD  
Sigrid DaVeiga, MD

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## REMARKS OF INCOMING PRESIDENT

Robert Zemble, MD

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PENNSYLVANIA ALLERGY & ASTHMA ASSOCIATION

# 73<sup>RD</sup> PAAA ANNUAL MEETING

## **Quality/Safety in the Allergy Practice**

Presented by:

Paige Wickner, MD, MPH

Saturday, June 25, 2022

11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

*PAAA does not have permission to share slides.*



PENNSYLVANIA ALLERGY & ASTHMA ASSOCIATION

# 73<sup>RD</sup> PAA ANNUAL MEETING

## **WORKSHOP: Aspirin and NSAID Challenges**

Presented by:  
Tanya Laidlaw, MD

Saturday, June 25, 2022  
1:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.



# Aspirin-Exacerbated Respiratory Disease

## Diagnosis and Treatment

### Tanya M. Laidlaw, MD

*Division of Allergy and Clinical Immunology, Brigham and Women's Hospital  
Director of Translational Research in Allergy, Director of BWH AERD Center  
Associate Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School*



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| AERD Center |



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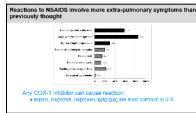
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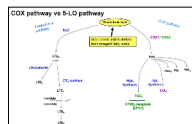
## Overview of slides



Clinical disease, with a case, and findings from our cohort at BWH AERD Center



Reactions to NSAIDs and aspirin challenge/desensitization



Mechanism and role of leukotrienes



Newest treatment options – biologics and diet

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## AERD presents (usually) in adulthood, with a stereotyped pattern and common phenotype



Asthma



Nasal Polyps



Reactions to aspirin & COX-1 inhibitors

- Eosinophils in tissues and blood
- Sinus disease is severe -- (Anosmia, polyp recurrence)

### How common is it?

- 7% of adults with asthma
- 14% of adults with severe asthma
- 25% of adults with asthma + polyps

Rajan and White, et al. JACI 2015, Meta-analysis

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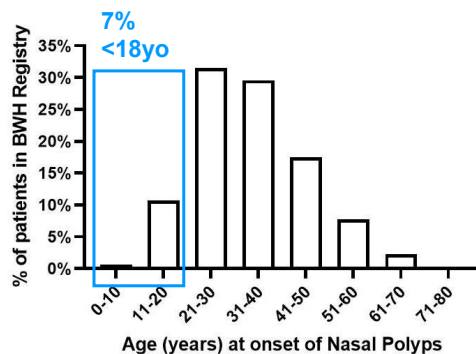
## Classic AERD = 35 year-old “Danielle”

- Childhood → healthy, no asthma or allergies
- 23yo → “really bad cold” and persistent nasal congestion
- 24yo → asthma, continued congestion, lost sense of smell and taste
- 25yo → saw ENT surgeon, was “full of polyps”, had 1<sup>st</sup> polyp surgery (great improvement!), but polyps returned in 6 months
- 25yo → **Cold-flu tablet** – 2 h later sneezed, chest tightness, wheezing
  - 3 mo later **ibuprofen** – to ER for albuterol and IV steroids
  - 6 months later took **Aleve** – same reaction
- Polyp surgeries: 25yo, 27yo, (no surgery while had 2 kids), 33yo, 35yo
- Now → Inhaled steroids, montelukast, steroid sprays, loratidine, Albuterol 3-4 days/wk, no sense of smell, antibiotics for sinusitis 2-3 times a year, polyps are back

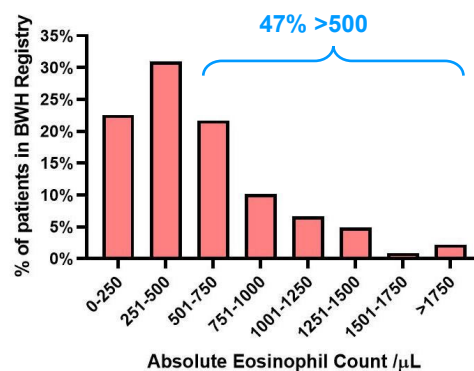
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## Findings from our cohort of >2000 patients at the BWH AERD Center

Largely adult-onset disease...



Blood eosinophilia is common

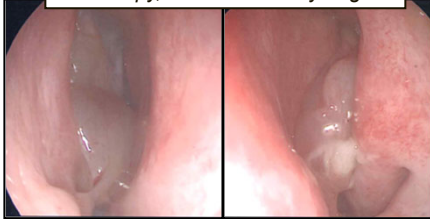


Not generally inherited.

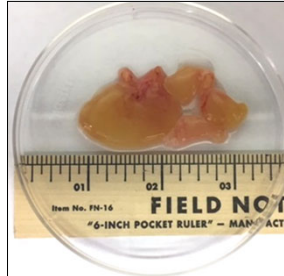
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## Surgery is a key treatment modality for AERD

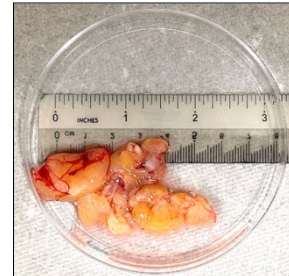
Typical appearance of polyps on rhinoscopy, and can be very large



Nasal polyps on rhinoscopy. 2015. – Selig, YK.



Nasal polyps excised.  
2016 – Bhattacharyya, N.



Nasal polyps excised.  
2022 – Lee, S.

## Surgical histories from patients at the BWH AERD Center

### History of polyp surgery:

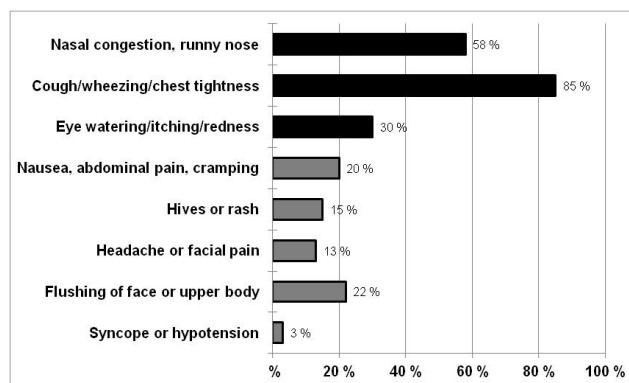
- 60% have had  $\geq 2$  surgeries
- 10% have had  $\geq 5$  surgeries

### Rate of polyp regrowth post-op:

- 50% report regrowth  $\leq 6$  months
- Only 15% report no regrowth  $> 2$  years

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## Reactions to NSAIDs involve more extra-pulmonary symptoms than previously thought



Any COX-1 inhibitor can cause reaction:

- aspirin, ibuprofen, naproxen, ketorolac are most common in U.S.

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## Reactions to acetaminophen/Tylenol?

- 3-6% of AERD patients have some reaction to 650mg  
Szczeklik A, et al. JACI 1977;60:276-84
- 34% of AERD patients react (generally mild) to >1000mg  
Settipane RA, et al. JACI 1995;96:480-5

## Reactions to celecoxib?

Celecoxib is contraindicated: "In patients who have experienced asthma, urticaria, or allergic-type reactions after taking aspirin or other NSAIDs."

TABLE I. Reactivity to selective COX-2 inhibitors with single-blind or double-blind placebo-controlled oral challenges in patients with NSAID-induced respiratory reactions

	No. of reactions	No. of DPT	Percentage of reactions
Celecoxib (n = 14)	0	297	0
Rofecoxib (n = 15)	1*	356	0.28
Etoricoxib (n = 2)	0	88	0
Parecoxib (n = 2)	0	12	0
Valdecoxib (n = 0)	N/A	N/A	N/A
COX-2 inhibitors combined	1	753	0.13

DPT, Drug provocation test; n, number of studies; NSAID, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug.  
\*Transient urticaria with 5 mg, but tolerated higher doses without symptoms.

Li L, et al. JACI-IP 2019

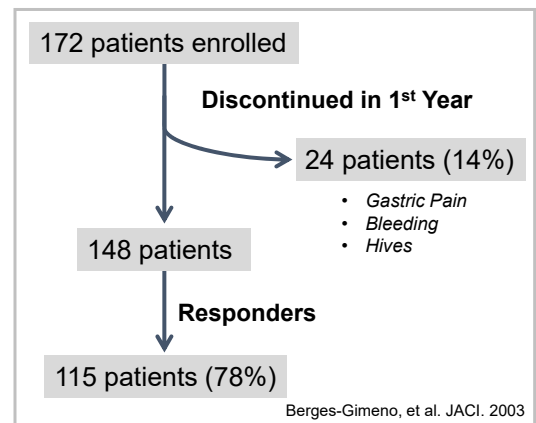
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## Desensitization, then high-dose oral aspirin to delay polyp regrowth

- 67% patients report improvement after 6 months of high-dose aspirin
- Lower rates of polyp recurrence post-operatively
- ↓SNOT-20, ↑PNIF, some return of smell

Stevenson, et al. JACI 1996  
Rozsasi, et al. Allergy 2008  
Mizankowska-Mogilnicka, et al. JACI 2014

**When to desensitize?**  
**Preferably after surgery.**

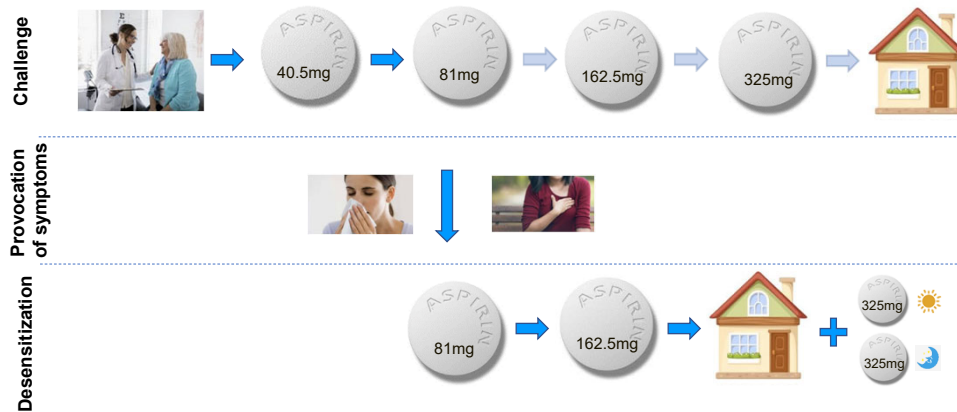


Ta and White, et al. JACI IP, 2015 (190 patients)

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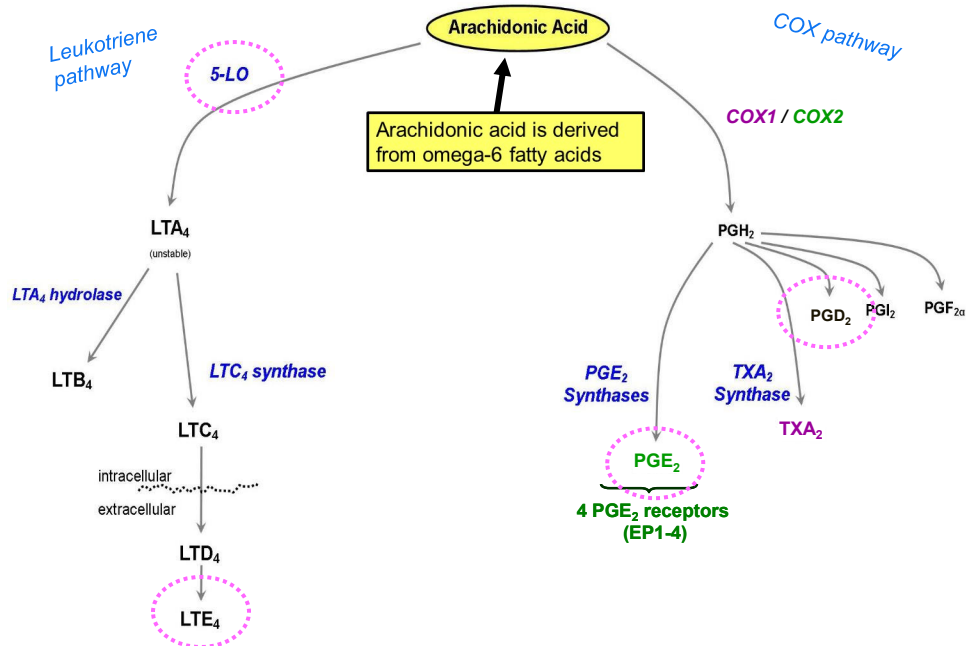
## Aspirin challenge (to diagnose) or desensitization and high-dose oral aspirin (to treat) - PROTOCOL

- Daily aspirin to maintain desensitization –  
★ benefits occur only if aspirin is taken regularly ★



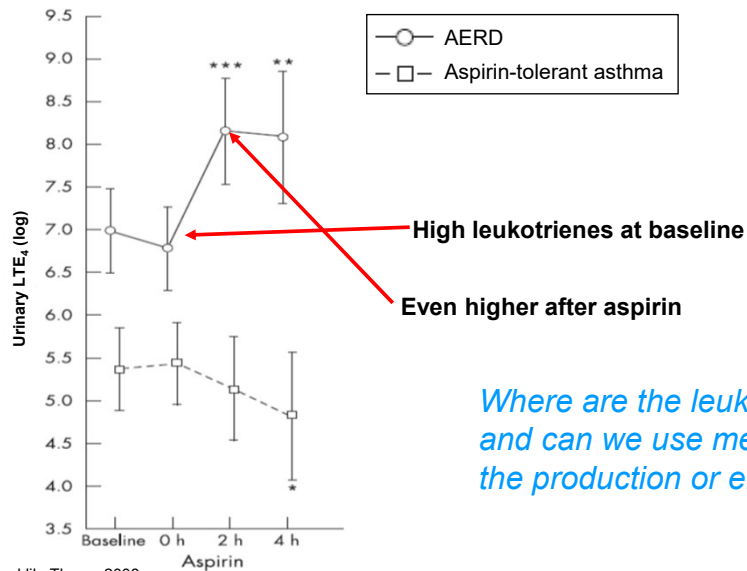
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## COX pathway vs 5-LO pathway



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## Role of leukotrienes in AERD – can measure in the urine



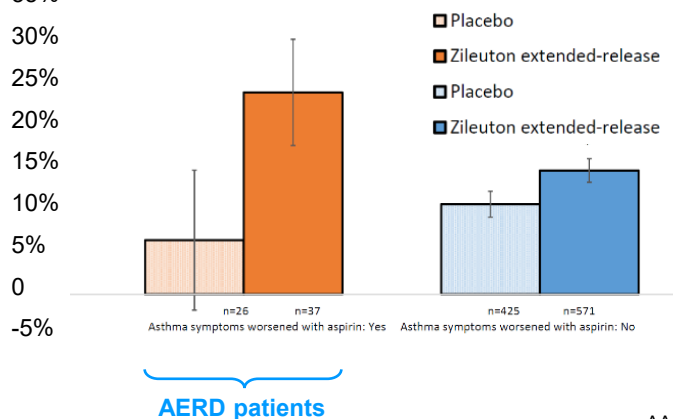
*Where are the leukotrienes coming from, and can we use medications to decrease the production or effects of leukotrienes?*

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## Zileuton is more effective in patients with AERD than in aspirin-tolerant asthma

**“Efficacy of Zileuton in Patients with Asthma and History of Aspirin Sensitivity: A Retrospective Analysis of Data from Two Phase 3 Studies”**

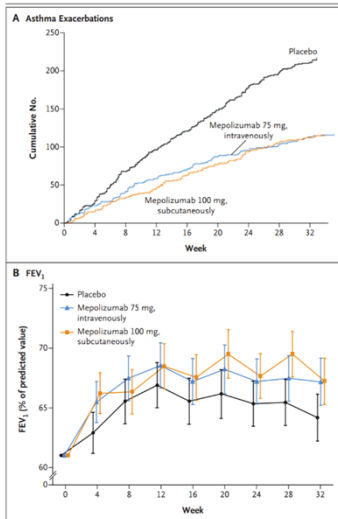
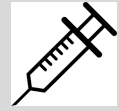
**% Change in lung function (FEV1) from baseline on Day 85**



AAAAI 2017 Poster L30

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## Mepolizumab (anti-IL-5) improves asthma control & lung function in eosinophilic asthma, reduces nasal polyp scores



Ortega HG, et al. NEJM 2014

- ↓ 47-53% reduction in asthma exacerbations
- >70% reduction in patients with eosinophils  $\geq 500$  cells/ $\mu$ L

- ↑ 98-100mL increase in FEV1
- 130-185mL increase in pts with eosinophils  $\geq 500$  cells/ $\mu$ L

### SYNAPSE; Phase 3 nasal polyps

- 407 patients total
  - ↓ NP score of 0.73 at 52wks
  - No significant improvement in smell (UPSIT)
- 108 AERD patients
  - ↓ NP score of 0.89 at 52wks

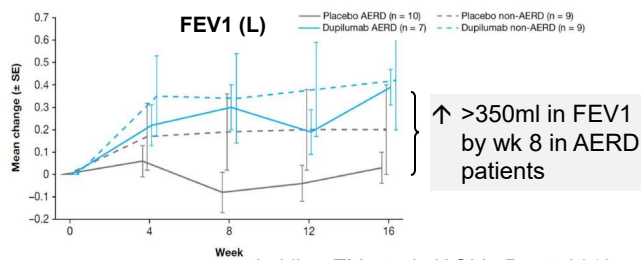
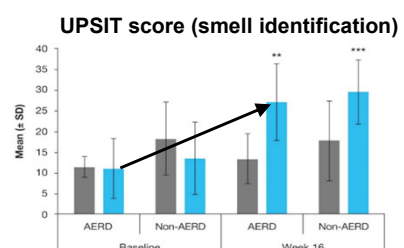
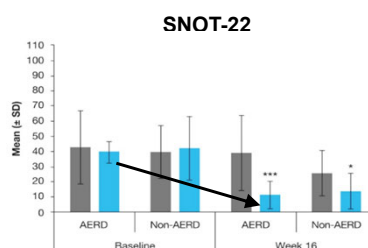
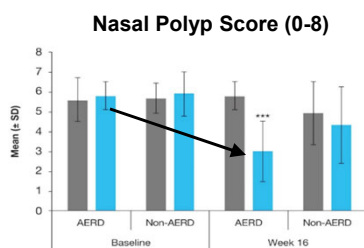
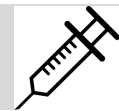
Han JK, et al. Lancet Resp Med 2021

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## Dupilumab in AERD (Phase 2)

■ Placebo  
■ Dupilumab

Re-analysis of Phase 2 study;  
19/60 subjects had aspirin sensitivity



Laidlaw TM, et al. JACI In Pract. 2019.

### SINUS-52; Phase 3 nasal polyps

- 448 patients total
  - ↓ NP score of 2.06 at 24wks
  - Improvement in smell (UPSIT) of 11 pts.
- 79 AERD patients
  - ↓ NP score of 2.54 at 24wks

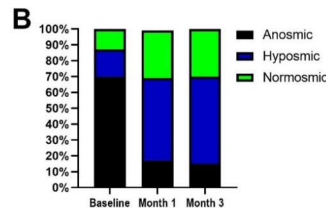
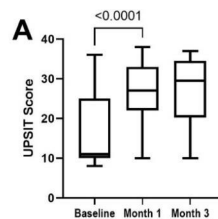
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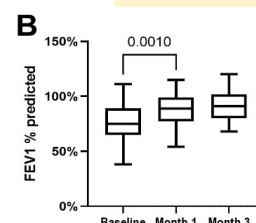
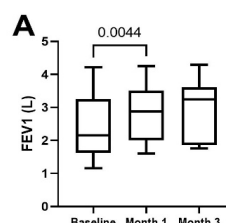
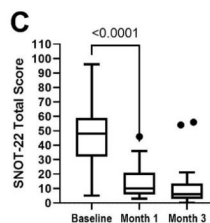
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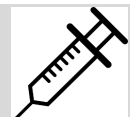
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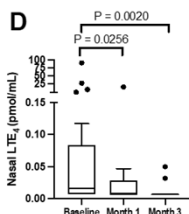
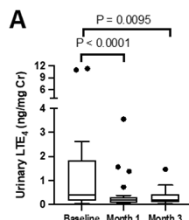
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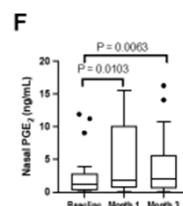
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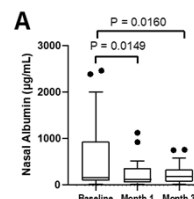
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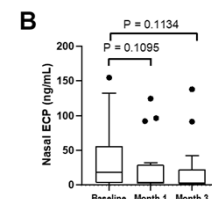
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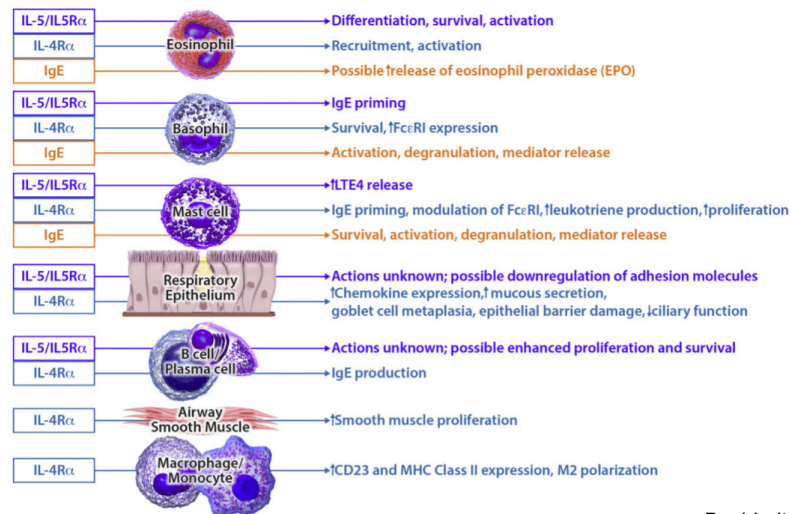
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## Impact of IgE, IL-5, and IL-4Rα on effector cells in upper and lower airway



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## Diet to reduce omega-6 fatty acids (and increase omega-3) can decrease leukotrienes and improve symptoms in AERD

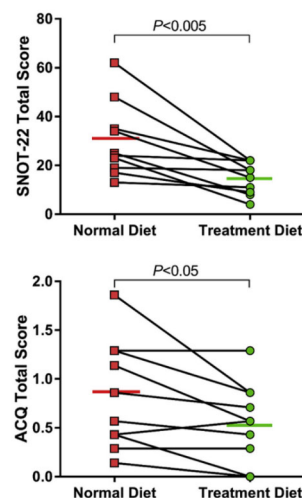


### Good:

Wild-caught cold-water fish  
(salmon, herring, tuna)  
Fat-free dairy, egg white  
Leafy green vegetables  
Most vegetables and fruits  
Many beans, some grains

### Bad:

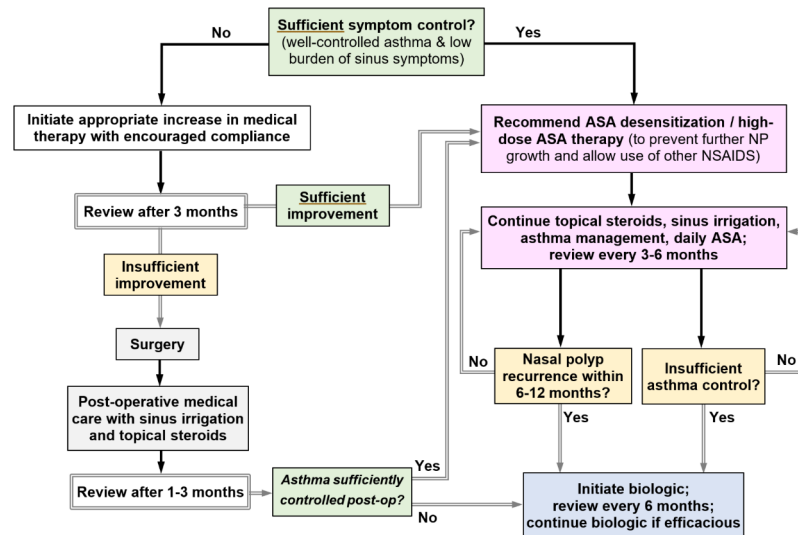
Vegetable oils (corn, soybean, safflower)  
Margarine  
Meats if animals ate corn/soy  
Eggs/dairy if animals ate corn/soy



Schneider TR, Laidlaw TM. J Allergy Clin Immunol In Pract. 2018

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## Where biologics fit into AERD today



Adapted from Bachert, Desrosiers, Hellings, Laidlaw, JACI IP 2021

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## Summary – clinical points

- Triad: ask adult asthmatic patients about nasal polyps, sense of smell, COX-1 inhibitor tolerance
- Recognize classic reactions to aspirin & COX-1 inhibitors
- Understand role of leukotrienes and leukotriene modification in AERD
- Understand therapeutic role of new respiratory biologics













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## **Disparities in Asthma**

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# Disparities in Asthma: A Focus on the Social Determinants of Health

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## Objectives

1. Discuss asthma disparities through the lens of social determinants of health (SDoH)
2. Highlight how disparities in socioeconomic status, physical environment, and health care influence racial and ethnic asthma disparities

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## What are Social Determinants of Health (SDoH)?

“The social determinants of health are the **non-medical factors that influence health outcomes**. They are the conditions in which people are **born, grow, work, live, and age**, and the **wider set of forces and systems shaping the conditions of daily life**. These forces and systems include *economic policies and systems, development agendas, social norms, social policies and political systems*.”

<https://www.who.int/health-topics/social-determinants-of-health>

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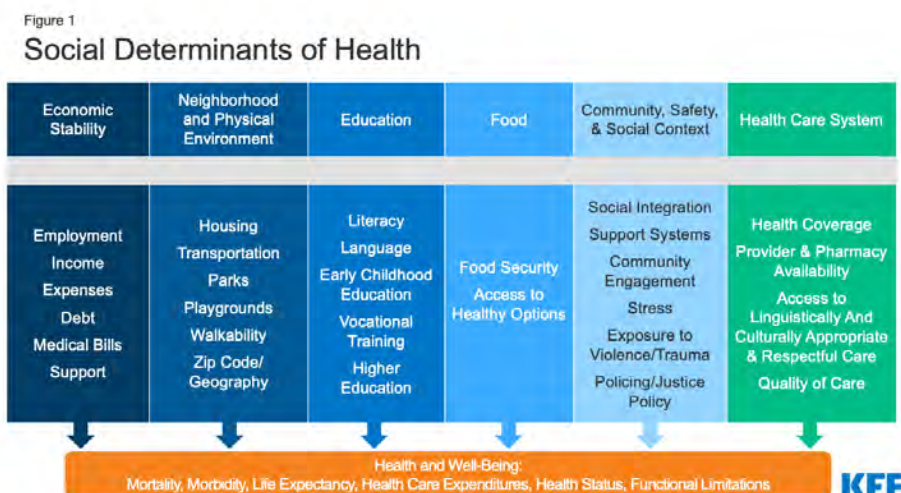
## What are Social Determinants of Health (SDoH)?

- Income and social protection
- Education
- Unemployment and job insecurity
- Working life conditions
- Food insecurity
- Housing, basic amenities and the environment
- Early childhood development
- Social inclusion and non-discrimination
- Structural conflict
- Access to affordable health services of decent quality.

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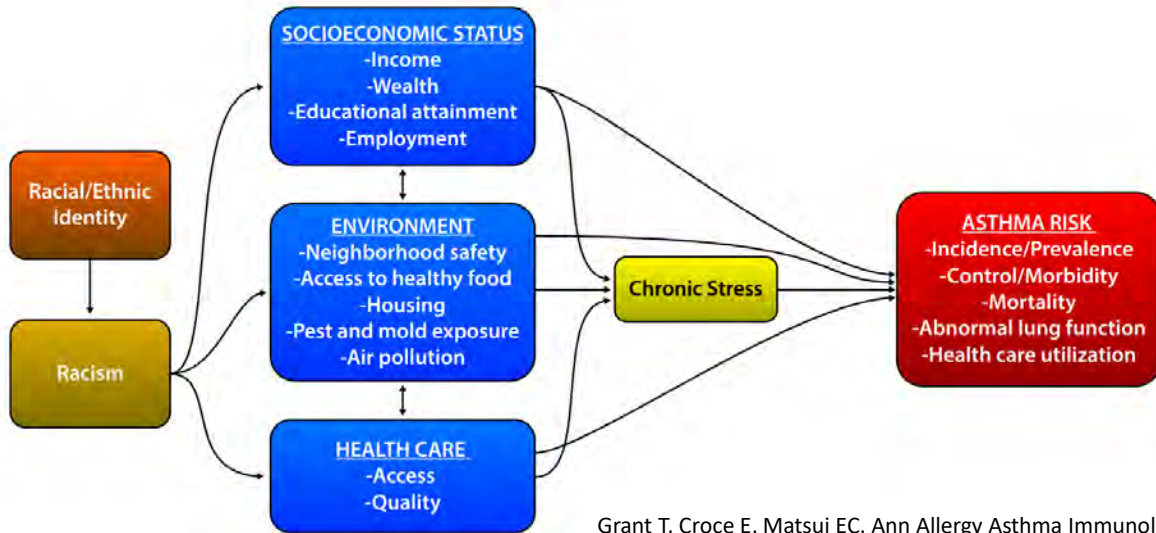
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## Why talk about race and racism when we are discussing asthma disparities?

- Asthma prevalence varies by race/ethnicity
  - Non-Latinx (NL) Blacks - 10.8%
  - Native American/Alaska Native - 10.8%
  - NL Whites - 7.6%
  - Latinx - 6.7%
  - NL Asians - 3.5%
- NL Multiracial - 11.5%

[https://www.cdc.gov/asthma/most\\_recent\\_national\\_asthma\\_data.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/asthma/most_recent_national_asthma_data.htm)

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## Why talk about race and racism when we are discussing asthma disparities?

- Asthma morbidity and mortality varies by race/ethnicity
  - Black Americans have higher rates ER visits and hospitalizations due to asthma<sup>1</sup>
  - Black Americans have higher asthma mortality<sup>1</sup>
- Puerto Ricans and Dominican Americans have higher asthma prevalence, more exacerbations and ER visits due to asthma<sup>1-3</sup>

1. Moorman JE et al. *MMWR Surveill Summ.* 2007
2. Rosser FJ, et al. *Am J Respir Crit Care Med.* 2014
3. Dumanovsky T, et al. *Journal of Asthma.* 2007

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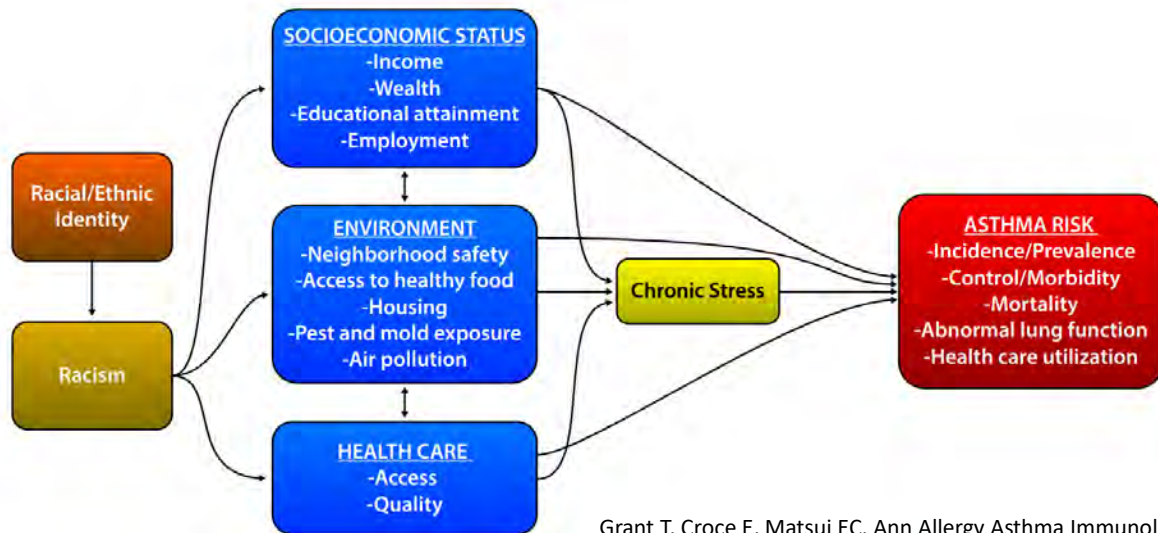
## What are race and ethnicity?

- Race and ethnicity are self-identified social constructs
- American Sociological Association
  - Race = “physical differences that groups and cultures consider socially significant”
  - Hispanic or Latinx Ethnicity = “shared culture, such as language, ancestry, practices, and beliefs”

<https://www.asanet.org/topics/race-and-ethnicity>

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## What is racism?

- Racism occurs at the **individual and population level**
- **Prejudicial treatment** of individuals and communities based on the belief that **one race or ethnic group is superior or inferior to another**
- Racism **structures and affords opportunities and assigns value** and worth based on an individual's self-identified race or ethnicity
- Structural racism, which is population-level racism, exists in our **social, legal, economic, medical, housing, criminal justice, and political systems** and unfairly denies opportunity and disadvantages racial and ethnic minority populations

Bailey ZD, et al. *The Lancet*. 2017

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# What is racism?

## America: Equity and Equality in Health 3



### Structural racism and health inequities in the USA: evidence and interventions

Zinzi D Bailey, Nancy Krieger, Madina Agénor, Jasmine Graves, Natalia Linos, Mary T Bassett

Despite growing interest in understanding how social factors drive poor health outcomes, many academics, policy makers, scientists, elected officials, journalists, and others responsible for defining and responding to the public discourse remain reluctant to identify racism as a root cause of racial health inequities. In this conceptual report, the third in a Series on equity and equality in health in the USA, we use a contemporary and historical perspective to discuss research and interventions that grapple with the implications of what is known as structural racism on population health and health inequities. Structural racism refers to the totality of ways in which societies foster racial discrimination through mutually reinforcing systems of housing, education, employment, earnings, benefits, credit, media, health care, and criminal justice. These patterns and practices in turn reinforce discriminatory beliefs, values, and distribution of resources. We argue that a focus on structural racism offers a concrete, feasible, and promising approach towards advancing health equity and improving population health.

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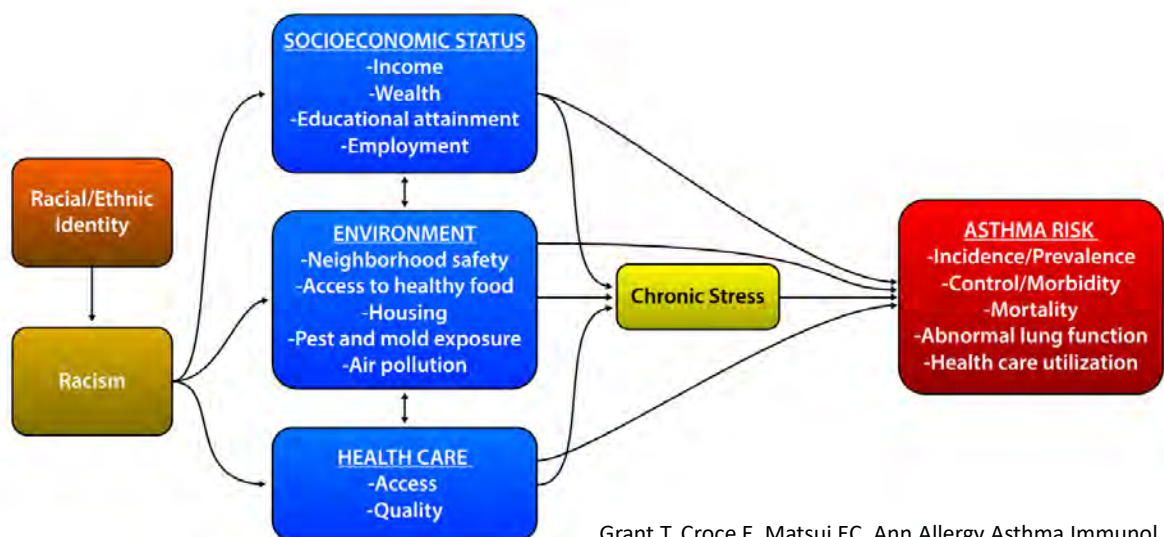
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## Socioeconomic status (SES)

- Broad marker of social standing
- Affects basic needs such as housing, food, and education
- Affects upward mobility in society
- Often income, highest educational degree obtained, occupation, type of health insurance, or zip code are used as a surrogate for SES in medicine
- Income, wealth, education, and employment

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## Socioeconomic status (SES) – Income

- Low income has been repeatedly linked to increased asthma prevalence, exacerbations, hospitalizations and ICU admission
- In 2019, CDC<sup>1</sup> reports a dose-response relationship between poverty level and asthma prevalence:
  - 11.8% - family income <100% of the poverty threshold
  - 8.5% - family income 100% to <250% of the poverty threshold
  - 7.3% - family income 250% to <450% of the poverty threshold
  - 5.9% - family income ≥450% of the poverty threshold
- 7% increase in the odds of prevalent asthma for each one-unit decrease in the household income to poverty ratio<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>[https://www.cdc.gov/asthma/most\\_recent\\_national\\_asthma\\_data.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/asthma/most_recent_national_asthma_data.htm)

<sup>2</sup>Keet CA, et al. *JACI* 2015

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## Socioeconomic status (SES) – Income

- Adults with a household income of <\$50,000<sup>1</sup>
  - 1.6-fold higher rate of asthma treatment failure
  - 2.0-fold higher rate of asthma exacerbations
- Children living in extreme poverty (household income <\$10,000)<sup>2</sup>
  - 125% higher odds of having a prior ICU admission for asthma
- Home ownership is associated with a 38% decreased in odds of ER visit for asthma in children<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Cardet JC, et al. *JACI* 2018 <sup>2</sup>Bollinger ME, et al. *Ann. Allergy Asthma Immunol* 2019 <sup>3</sup> Hughes HK, et al. *Acad Pediatr*. 2017

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## SES – Education

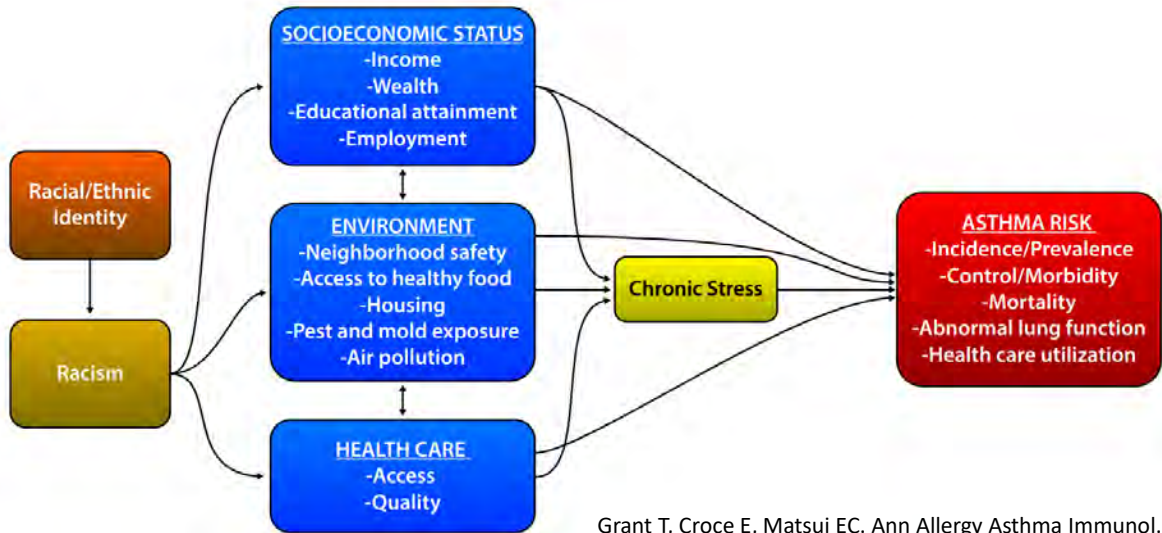
- Lower educational attainment contributes to limited health literacy
- CDC defines individual health literacy as:
  - “the degree to which individuals have the ability to find, understand, and use information and services to inform health-related decisions and actions for themselves and others.”<sup>1</sup>
- Low health literacy<sup>2</sup>
  - Decreased asthma understanding and the perceived increased need for asthma medications
  - Inability to follow an asthma action plan
  - Lower likelihood of being treated by an asthma specialist
  - Poorer asthma control
  - More missed days of school
  - Increased ER visits and hospitalizations for asthma

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.cdc.gov/healthliteracy/learn/index.html>

<sup>2</sup> Morrison AK, et al. *Pediatrics in Review* 2019

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## Environment

- Neighborhood Safety
- Access to Affordable, Healthy Food
- Housing and Exposure to Pest, Mold, and Pollution

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## Environment – Neighborhood Safety

- Children in low-income and disadvantaged communities are frequently exposed to violence
- In a study out of Boston, maternal report of increased community violence during pregnancy was associated with increased risk of wheeze at age 2 in the offspring<sup>1</sup>
- In a study out of Chicago, neighborhoods with a high incidence of violent crime having a 27% increased odds of prevalent neighborhood asthma<sup>2</sup>
- In a study out of Chicago, living in a neighborhood with increased property and violent crimes, children had increased odds of parent-reported wheezing, lifetime asthma, and ER use and hospitalization due to asthma<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Chiu Y-HM, et al. *JACI* 2014 <sup>2</sup>Gupta RS, et al. *Ann. Allergy Asthma Immunol* 2010 <sup>3</sup>Eldeirawi K, et al. *Ann. Allergy Asthma Immunol* 2016

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## Environment – Access to Affordable, Healthy Food

- Low-income communities have fewer healthy food options and poorer quality produce
- Healthy food is more expensive
- Low-income Black families are less likely to live in neighborhood with access to affordable healthy food<sup>1</sup>
- Healthier foods, such as diets rich in fruits and vegetables, have been associated with fewer asthma symptoms and higher lung function<sup>2</sup>
- Lack of affordable healthy food has also been linked to obesity, which is associated with asthma incidence and asthma morbidity<sup>3</sup>
- Proposed mechanisms for healthier diets effects on asthma include anti-inflammatory effects, changes in the intestinal microbiome, and reduced risk of obesity<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Bower KM, et al. *Prev Med* 2014 <sup>2</sup>Grant T, et al. *J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract.* 2020 <sup>3</sup>Khalid F, et al. *J Asthma.* 2018

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## Environment – Housing, Indoor Exposures

- Poor housing quality and home disrepair have been associated with risk of childhood asthma and asthma morbidity<sup>1</sup>
- Poor housing repair is associated with pest (mouse, cockroach) allergen and mold exposure
- Pest allergen exposure has been repeatedly linked to risk of asthma, asthma prevalence, morbidity and abnormal lung function
- Exposure to mold is associated with childhood wheeze, asthma prevalence, and asthma morbidity

<sup>1</sup>Hughes HK, et al. Acad Pediatr. 2017

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## Environment – Pollution

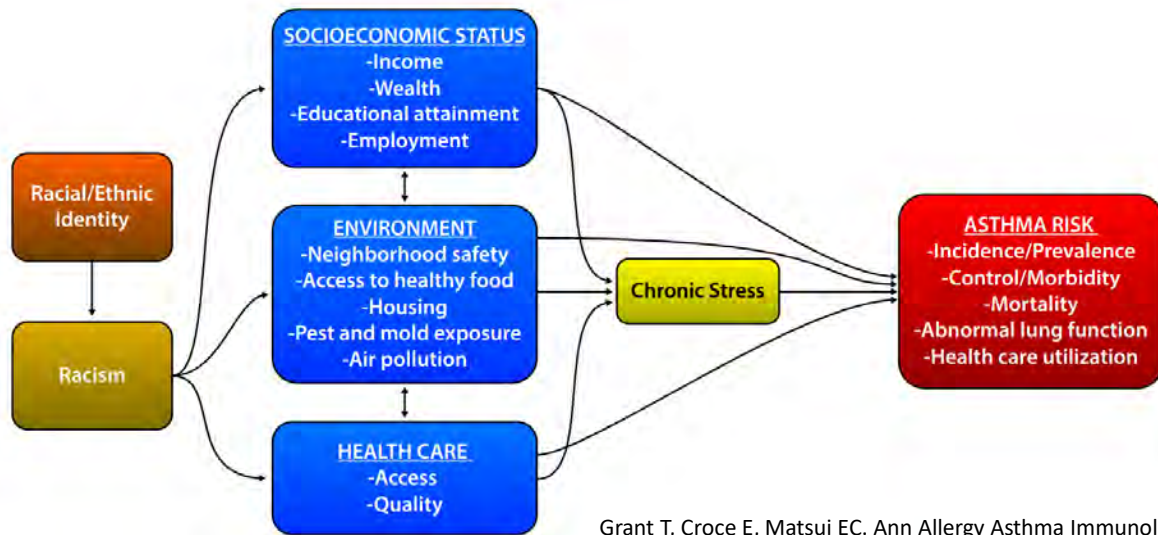
- Racial and ethnic minority urban communities are exposed to higher levels of indoor air pollution, which is associated with asthma symptoms<sup>1</sup>
- Outdoor air pollution is associated with incident asthma, asthma morbidity, and lung function decline
- Black residents, persons living in poverty, and persons with lower education are more likely to be exposed to higher levels of outdoor air pollution<sup>2</sup>
- A study of eight California cities found higher diesel particle emissions in historically redlined communities<sup>3</sup>
  - 2.4 fold increase in age-adjusted ER visits for asthma

<sup>1</sup>Matsui EC, *Allergy* 2014 <sup>2</sup><https://www.lung.org/clean-air/outdoors/who-is-at-risk/disparities>

<sup>3</sup>Nardone A, et al. *The Lancet Planetary Health*. 2020

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## Health Care Access and Quality

- Black and Latinx patients are more likely to be uninsured than White patients<sup>1</sup>
- Black and Latinx families are more likely to live in zip codes with primary care physician shortages<sup>2</sup>
- Black and Latinx children with the same insurance were less likely to see a specialist for asthma than White children<sup>3</sup>
- Lack of health insurance, access to primary care, and fewer referrals to asthma specialists all result in higher ER utilization for asthma, increased school and work absences, decreased provider consistency, uncontrolled asthma, and overall worse asthma care

<sup>1</sup><https://www.census.gov/content/dam/Census/library/publications/2019/demo/p60-267.pdf> <sup>2</sup> Gaskin DJ, et al. *Health Serv Res.* 2012 <sup>3</sup> Stewart KA, et al. *Arch Pediatr Adolesc Med.* 2010

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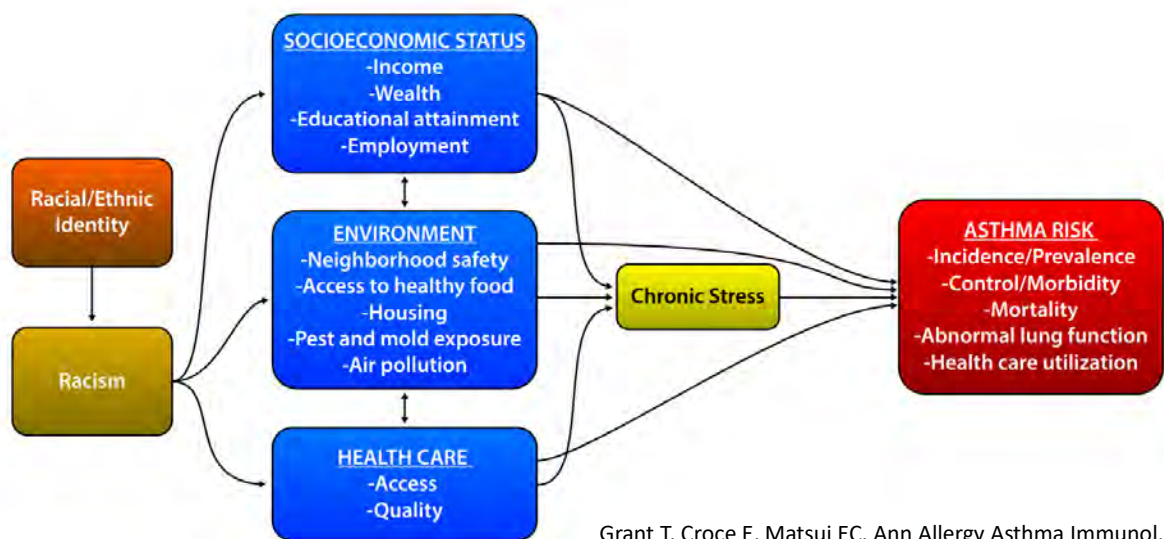
## Health Care Quality

- Underuse of asthma biologics in Black and Latinx patients
- 2021 study found patients with public insurance were less like to be prescribed a biologic for asthma treatment<sup>1</sup>
- Among patients with public insurance, racial and ethnic minority patients were less likely to be prescribed an asthma biologic compared with White patients<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Akenroye AT, et al. *J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract* 2021

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## Chronic Stress

- Families living in poverty and racial and ethnic minority populations experience higher levels of stress from many sources:<sup>1</sup>
  - income instability
  - lower education
  - fewer assets
  - barriers to employment
  - food insecurity
  - higher rates of incarceration
  - social disadvantage
  - exposure to violence
- High levels of chronic stress in children and adults have been associated with increased asthma exacerbations, decreased asthma control, increased hospitalizations, decreased quality of life, and decreased lung function

<sup>1</sup><https://www.apa.org/pi/health-equity/resources/stress-report.pdf>

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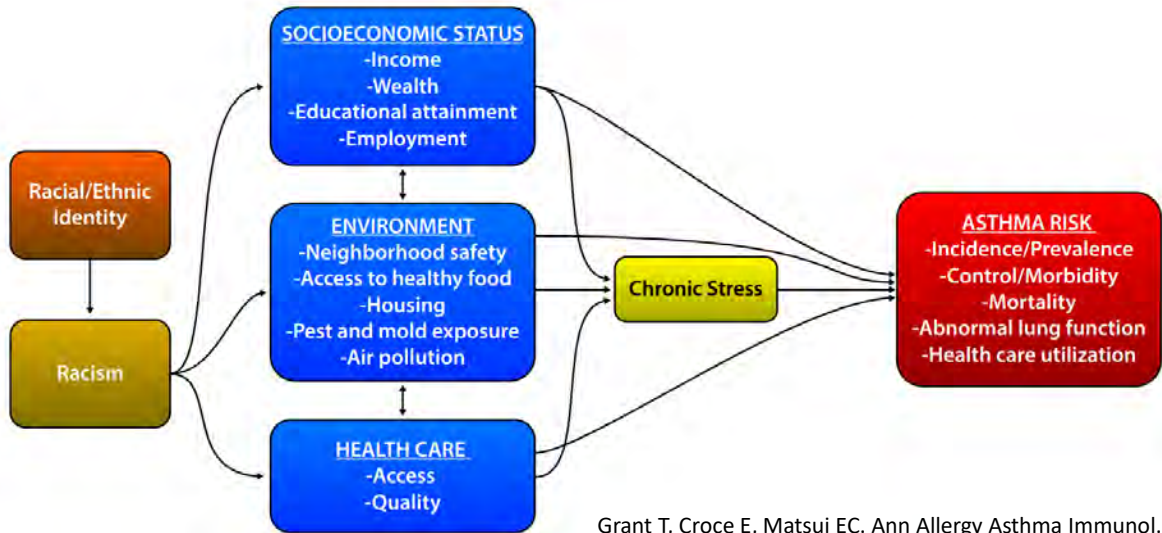
## Chronic Stress

- Effects of chronic stress on asthma include chronic hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenocortical activation<sup>1</sup> leading to:
  - ↓β2 adrenergic and glucocorticoid receptors
  - ↓Responsiveness to asthma medications
  - ↑Asthma symptoms
- Maternal prenatal stress<sup>2</sup> leading to:
  - ↑IL-13 response , ↓IFN-γ response to allergen/mitogen stimulation in cord blood mononuclear cells
- Early life (<3yrs) exposure to environmental stressors and maternal depression, anxiety has been associated with asthma diagnosis<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Landeo-Gutierrez J, et al. *Ann. Allergy Asthma Immunol* 2020 <sup>2</sup>Wright RJ, et al. *Am J Respir Crit Care Med*. 2010 <sup>3</sup> Rosa M, et al. *Curr Opin Allergy Clin Immunol*. 2018

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## Final Thoughts

- SDoH such as poverty, inequities in education and employment, poor housing quality, greater risk of exposure to pests, mold, and pollution, unequal health care access and quality, and high levels of chronic stress
- SDoH have been associated with asthma prevalence/incidence, morbidity, exacerbations, and abnormal lung function, which suggests that they are also likely a major cause of asthma disparities

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## Knowledge Gaps

- Degree to which SDoH contribute to asthma disparities
- Which SDoH contribute most to asthma disparities
- Mechanisms by which SDoH cause asthma disparities
- What are the most impactful approaches to mitigating economic barriers to asthma care and self-management
- Which environmental exposures should be prioritized for targeting to reduce asthma disparities
- What are the most impactful approaches to improving health care access and quality for racial and ethnic minority populations
- Which individual-level and systems-level interventions are most effective at reducing racial and ethnic asthma disparities

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# Aspirin Desensitization Protocols (Inpatient and/or Outpatient)

## Recommended Protocols:

### History of Urticaria/Angioedema with Aspirin

Time	Dose of aspirin
0	5 mg
½ hr	10 mg
1 hr	20 mg
1½ hr	40 mg
2 hr	81 mg
2½ hr	162 mg
3 hr	325 mg

No premedication recommended

### History of Respiratory Symptoms with Aspirin

Time	Dose of aspirin
0 hour	40 mg
1 ½ hours	81 mg
3 hours	162 mg
4 ½ hours	325 mg
6 hours	650 mg (optional)

Consider premedication with leukotriene antagonist (montelukast, zileuton) to decrease lower respiratory symptoms

## Safety of Outpatient Aspirin/NSAID Challenges in Non-AERD Patients

	No Reaction	Immediate Reaction	Delayed Reaction	Total
Aspirin	114	15	3	132
Ibuprofen	52	6	2	60
Naproxen	8	1	1	10
Other NSAID*	2	1	0	3

Total 176 (85.9%) 23 (11.2%) 6 (2.9%) 205 (100%)

>85% with no reaction and allergy removed

Of those that reacted, 62.5% occurred at >60 minutes

Li L et al, J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract 2021.

# Presentations for Sunday, June 26, 2022

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Megan Cooper, MD, PhD

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Presented by:

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Sunday, June 26, 2022

7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.



# Rheumatology in the AI Clinic

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# Learning Objectives

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1. Identify how rheumatologic disease can present to the allergist/immunologist
2. Identify overlap between immune deficiency and rheumatologic disease



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## Case 1: 13 yo girl with urticaria

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- Widespread urticaria ~2 months, with itching
- Initial CBC, ESR, CRP – normal
- ANA 1:160
- Responded to anti-histamines and steroids
- 2 years later, recurrence of urticaria, now with oral ulcers
  - Positive lupus anti-coagulant & other abnormalities



Spadoni et al, Lupus, 2011.

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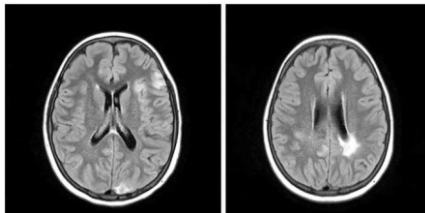
## Urticaria in Lupus

- Pediatric SLE:
  - Multicenter study of 852 pts in Brazil showed 1% incidence (10 pts) of chronic urticaria (*Ferriani et al, Int Arch Allergy Immunol, 2015*)
  - Median duration 190 days
- Review of 12,778 patients with chronic urticaria in Israel (*Confino-Cohen, JACI, 2012*)
  - 0.4% had Systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE)
    - 15% had urticaria before a diagnosis of SLE
  - More common where hypothyroidism (~10%), hyperthyroidism (~2.6%), RA (1.5%), T1DM (1.3%), Sjogren syndrome (0.5%), Celiac (0.5%)



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Oz & Teshler, *Pediatric Rheumatology*, 17: 82 (2019)



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## Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE)

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# Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE)

- Prevalence in the US is 20-50/100,000
- Increased prevalence in Asian, black, and Hispanic individuals
- F>M, 7:1 – 15:1 overall
  - For patients <9 yo, F:M is 4:3
- 20% of patients present <16 years of age
- Very rare before age 5 (look for an immune deficiency!)



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## Clinical symptoms

### Physical exam findings/symptoms:

- Malar rash
- Oral hard palate or nasal mucocutaneous ulcers
- Vasculitic rashes
- Photosensitivity
- Nonerosive arthritis
- Encephalopathy: szs, psychosis

### Organ damage:

- Nephritis
- Pleuritis or pericarditis
- Other organ involvement: liver, pancreas, lungs, GI

### Laboratory studies:

- Cytopenias, immune mediated:
  - Hemolytic anemia; WBC <4k 2+ times; ALC <1.5k 2+ times; or Plt <100k.
- High-positive ANA
- Other positive immunoserology:
  - dsDNA; anti-Smith; Antiphospholipid ab



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## Most common clinical features of childhood SLE

- Review of 256 Pediatric SLE pts in Toronto, 4.7:1 F:M from 1982-2005.

Symptom	At diagnosis %	Ever %
Arthritis	61	67
Malar rash	61	66
Headache	58	62
Nephritis	37	55
Fatigue	50	55



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Hirakawa et al, J Pediatr, 2008.  
Tucker et al, JCO, 2008.  
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## Rashes in SLE

Small vessel vasculitis, non-blanching



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## Rashes in SLE



Discoid lupus

Photosensitive malar rash



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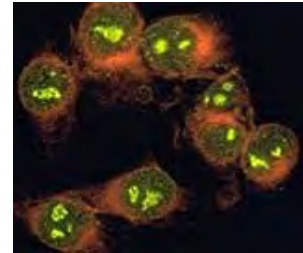


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## Initial evaluation of suspected lupus in AI clinic

- Laboratory studies:
  - CBC
  - ANA (if high → dsDNA & other antibodies)
  - ESR (CRP rarely elevated)
  - Urinalysis for nephritis (protein/blood)
  - IgG typically *elevated*
- Other diagnostic tests:
  - Chest x-ray for chest pain/effusion
  - EKG/echocardiogram if there is concern for pericardial effusion



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## ANA in healthy populations

- Low titer ANAs (<1:320) are common in healthy individuals and don't always require follow-up

ANA titer	699 children Canada <sup>1</sup>	125 adults International <sup>2</sup>	304 adults Mexico <sup>3</sup>
1:20-1:40	17%	32%	35%
1:80	10%	13%	13%
1:160	9%	5%	3%
1:320	5%	3%	1%

- Patients with titer  $\geq 1:160$ -1:320 warrant further evaluation



<sup>1</sup> Malleson et al, Arch Dis Child, 1997

<sup>2</sup> Tan et al, Arthritis Rheum, 1997

<sup>3</sup> Marin et al, J Clin Rheumatol, 2009

# Juvenile Dermatomyositis (JDM)

- Inflammatory disease of the skin, muscle, and blood vessels.



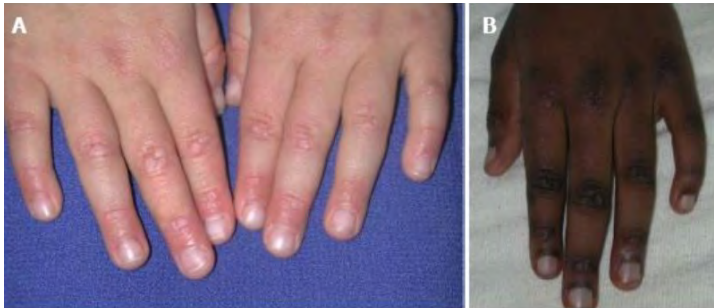
- Rare, incidence is ~1:100,000 kids
- Prior to corticosteroids 1/3 of children died
- Proximal muscle weakness
- Characteristic rash:
  - Eyelids
  - Hands (gotttron's papules)
  - Papules on extensor surfaces (elbows/knees)



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## Clinical signs of JDM



World J Dermatol. May 2, 2015; 4(2): 80-94



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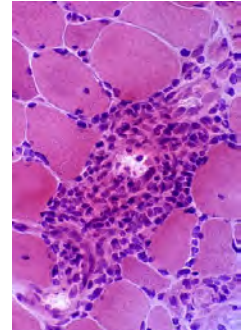
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## Initial Evaluation of JDM in the AI Clinic

- Muscle enzymes
  - CK, aldolase, AST, ALT, LDH
- Acute phase reactants may or may not be elevated
- Consider imaging of affected muscle:
  - MRI
  - Ultrasound



<http://www.neuro.wustl.edu/neuromuscular>



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## Raynaud Phenomenon

- Transient arterial vasospasm
- Can be 3-color phase:
  - Pallor → Cyanosis → Erythema/pain
- Dark skin tends to have pallor
- Frequently sharply demarcated
- Often associated with cold



<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/raynauds/>



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## Primary vs. Secondary

- Primary Raynaud is a benign exaggerated vasoconstriction response
  - 5-20% of women; 5-15% of men
- Secondary Raynaud:
  - Associated with systemic disease
    - Scleroderma
    - Lupus
    - Overlap syndromes
  - Risk of ulceration
  - Requires treatment

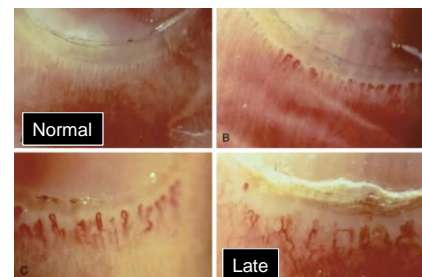


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## Evaluation of Raynaud Phenomenon

- Primary:
  - Triggers apparent to patient
  - No systemic symptoms
  - Normal nailbed capillaries
  - No further testing necessary
- Secondary:
  - Other systemic symptoms
  - Can see dilated nailbed capillaries
  - Initial lab studies:
    - CBC, ESR, renal function, ANA, antiphospholipid antibodies



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## Other rheumatic skin disease: Erythema Nodosum



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- Post-strep
- Inflammatory bowel disease
- Sarcoidosis
- Idiopathic/infection-associated



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## Other rheumatic skin disease: Anti-phospholipid antibody syndrome



### Livedo reticularis



DIL: <https://med.unc.edu/dil>

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## Inborn Errors of Immunity (**IEI**)

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- Inborn Errors of Immunity (**IEI**) are inherited disorder of the immune system, also known Primary immunodeficiencies (**PID**)
- There are more than 470+ single-gene inborn errors of immunity
  - Diverse range of clinical symptoms
  - Infectious susceptibility, **autoimmunity**, autoinflammation, lymphoproliferation, bone marrow failure, cancers

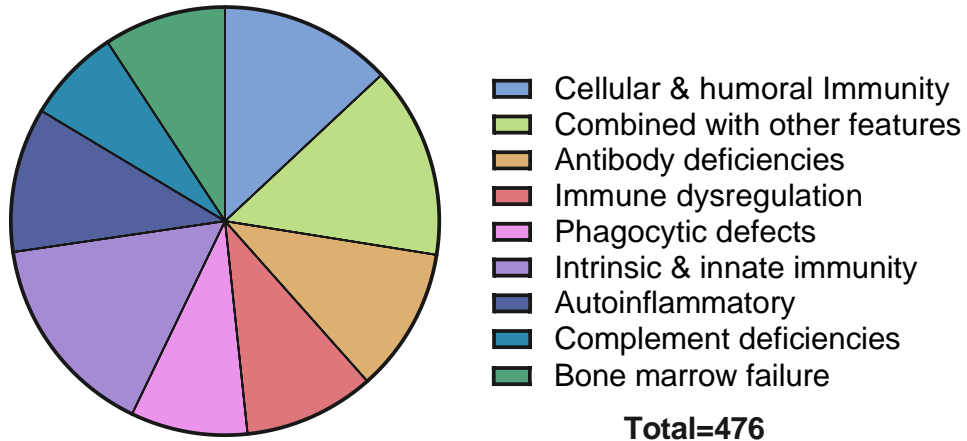


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# The spectrum of IEI



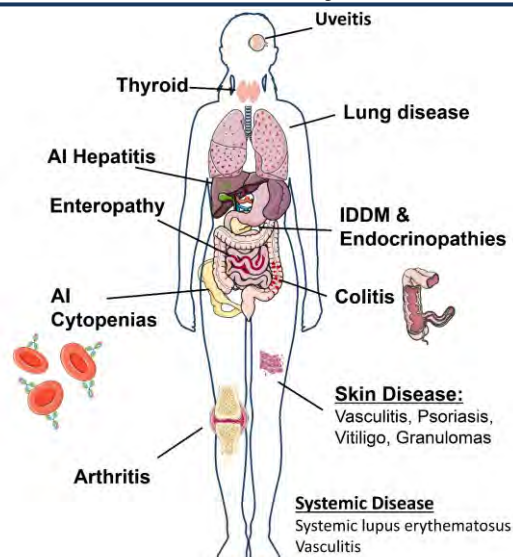
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# Autoimmunity in IEI



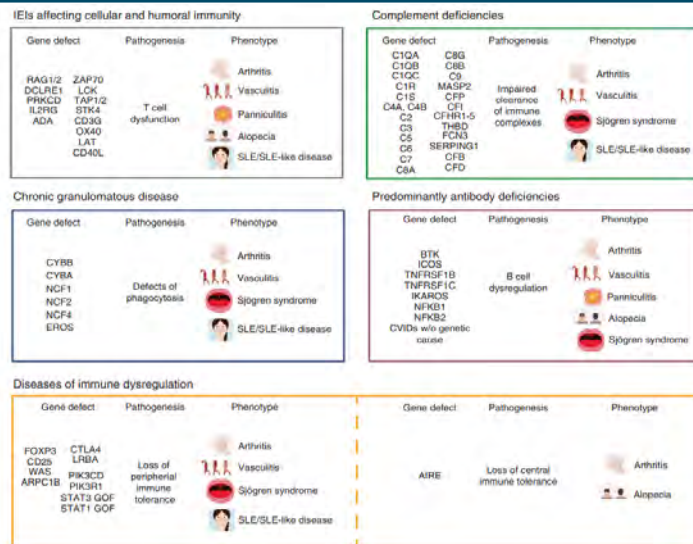
Kitcharoensakkul & Cooper, Curr Opin Allergy Immunol, 2019

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# Rheumatologic disease and IEI



Bal et al, Pediatric Research, 2020, 87:293-9

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## Skin disease in IEI

### Autoinflammatory diseases

- Often neonatal but can be adult-onset
- Urticaria, urticarial-like rashes
- Pustulosis
- Psoriasis
- Vasculopathy



NLR4 Moghaddas et al, JACI, 2018.

### Immune dysregulation syndromes

- Typically neonatal onset
- Eczema, dermatitis
- Psoriasis, scleroderma
- Pigmentation changes



STAT3 GOF

Khoury et al, Clin Therap, 2017



IPEX syndrome

Halabi-Tawil et al, 2008 BJD  
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# Skin disease in IEL: Inflammatory lesions

**Midline granulomas**



**Hypomorphic *RAG1* variants**  
De Ravin et al, Blood 2010

**Pyoderma gangrenosum**



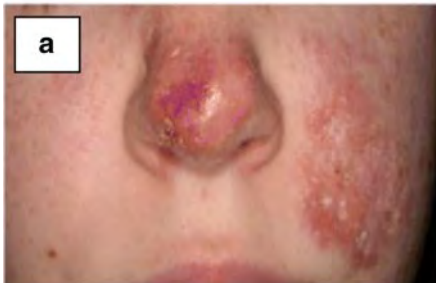
**Leukocyte adhesion deficiency**



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## Consider infectious causes

**Vaccine-strain Rubella virus**



**Combined T/B Immunodeficiency**  
Buchbinder et al, J Clin Immunol, 2019

**Atypical EBV lymphoproliferative cutaneous disease**



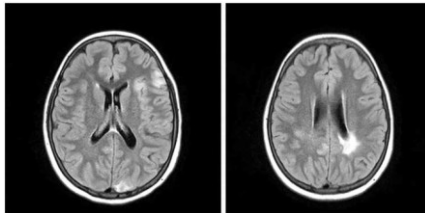
**Magnesium transporter deficiency X-linked**  
Klinken et al, J of Clin Immunology, 2019.



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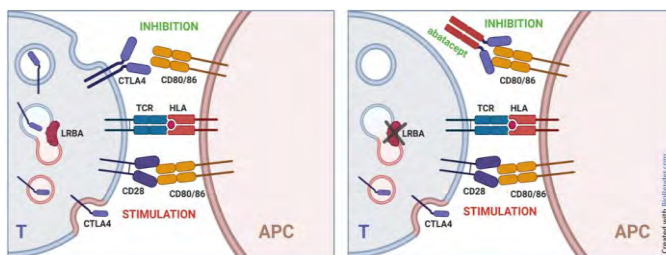
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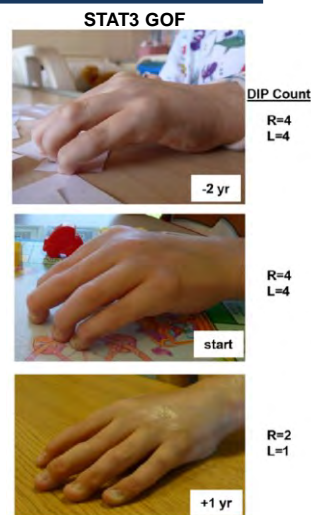
- Typically polyarticular
- May respond to steroids and therapies for JIA
- Consider how diagnosis may alter therapy



Boz et al, Front Immunol 2021



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Milner et al, Blood 2015  
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## Key points for treating rheumatologic disease in IEI

- Treat the rheumatologic disease:
  - May require immune 'suppression', which for monogenic disease is really more 'modulation', e.g., JAK inhibitor in STAT3 GOF or STAT1 GOF, sirolimus in IPEX syndrome or P13K gain of function disease
- Your expertise can help rheumatologists feel comfortable with treating disease and choose the right agent
  - Should disease monitoring and/or prophylaxis change?
  - Drugs to avoid – anti-TNF-alpha in patients with infectious susceptibility



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## Summary

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- Rheumatologic disease can present to the AI clinic, often due to skin disease
- Patients with inborn errors of immunity can present with a wide range of rheumatologic disease, the AI physician can help guide immune modulation
- Early recognition and multi-disciplinary care is important for these complex patients





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## Objectives

- Appreciate the various ways in which patients are influenced by outside sources of information
- Understand the origins surrounding misconceptions specific to allergic conditions
- Anticipate confusion and misinformation from patients and actively address this during clinical encounters

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## Did You Ever Think THIS Would Cause Such an Uproar?



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# COVID-19: An 'Infodemic'



<https://theconversation.com/controls-to-manage-fake-news-in-africa-are-affecting-freedom-of-expression-137808>

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# Mis-in-fer-mey-shuhn

noun

1. false information that is spread, regardless of whether there is intent to mislead

Dictionary.com 'Word of the Year'

<https://apnews.com/article/entertainment-north-america-ap-top-news-religion-fake-news-e4b3b7b395644d019d1a0a0ed5868b10>

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# CONFRONTING HEALTH MISINFORMATION

*The U.S. Surgeon General's Advisory on  
Building a Healthy Information Environment*

2021

<https://www.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/surgeon-general-misinformation-advisory.pdf>

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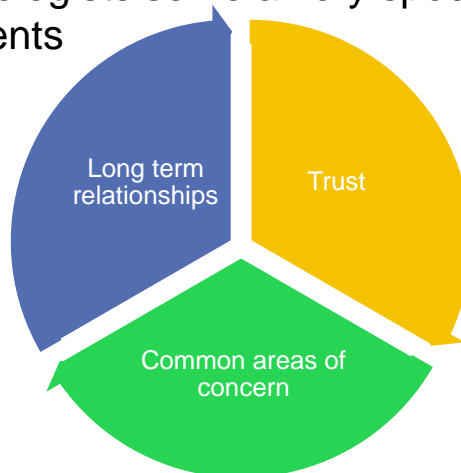


"THAT'S ODD: MY FACEBOOK FRIENDS WHO WERE CONSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARS JUST A MONTH AGO ARE NOW INFECTIOUS DISEASE EXPERTS...."

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## Initial Thoughts...

- Allergist/Immunologists serve a very special role in the lives of our patients



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## WE Have an Advantage

- Can ask questions
- Monitor body language
- Dive into nuance surrounding complex topics
- Most importantly...we need to:

- **Listen**
- **Give our time**
- **Show empathy**
- **Be non-judgmental**
- **Be available for follow up discussion**

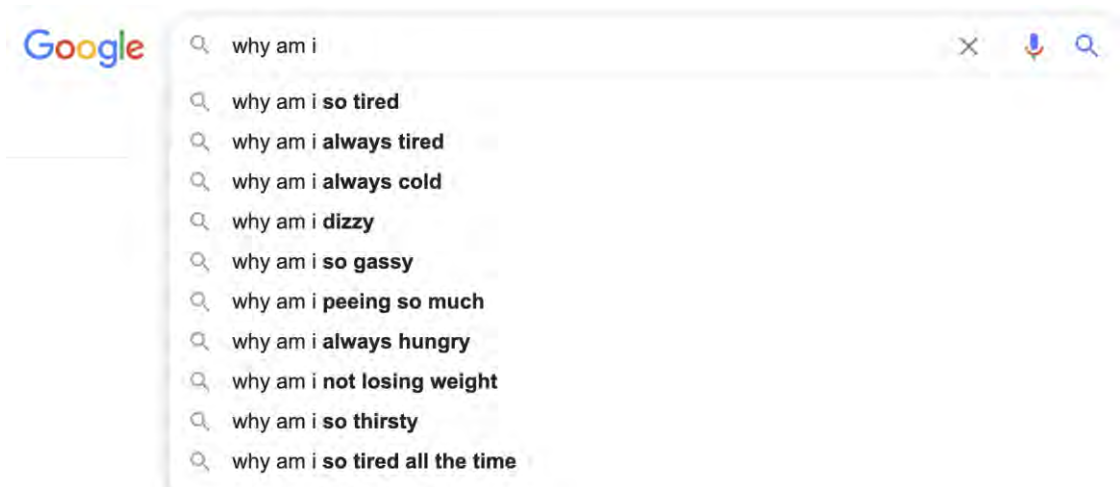


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## There MUST Be Something Wrong...



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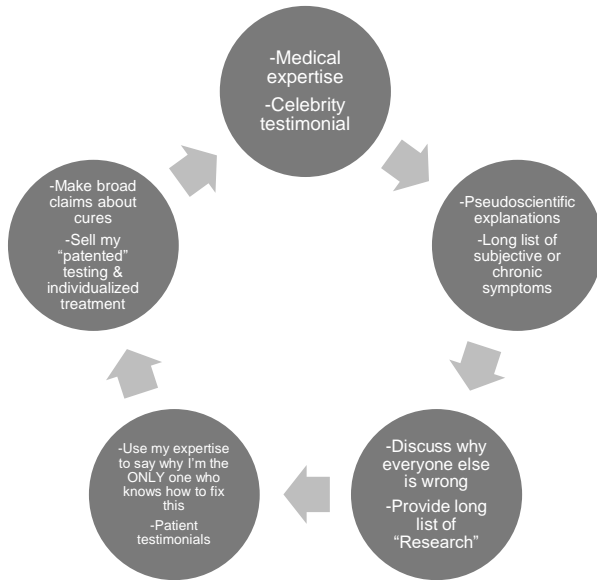


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## If I Lacked a Conscience...

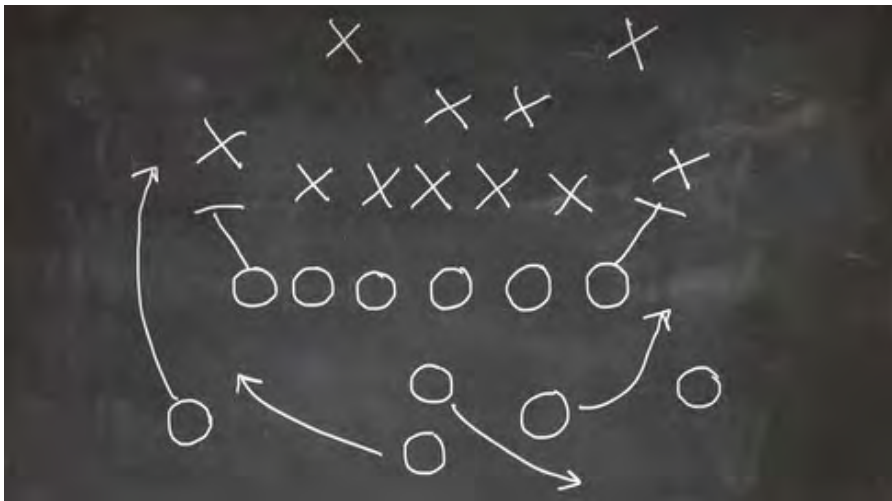


Normalize through saturation



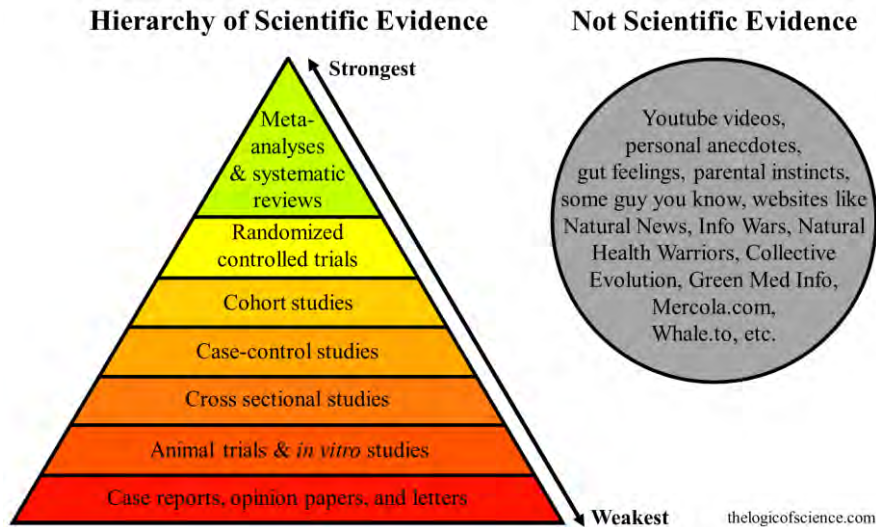
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## The Best Defense...is a Good Offense



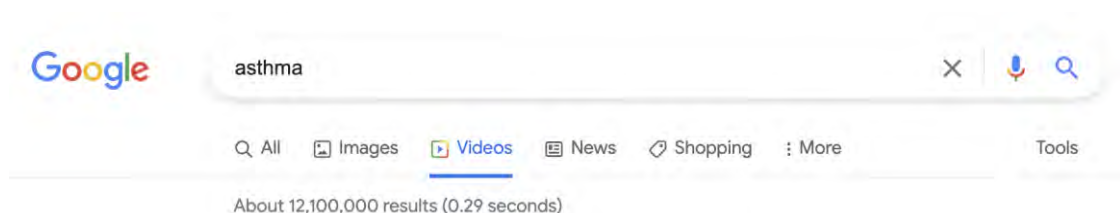
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# What Constitutes Evidence?



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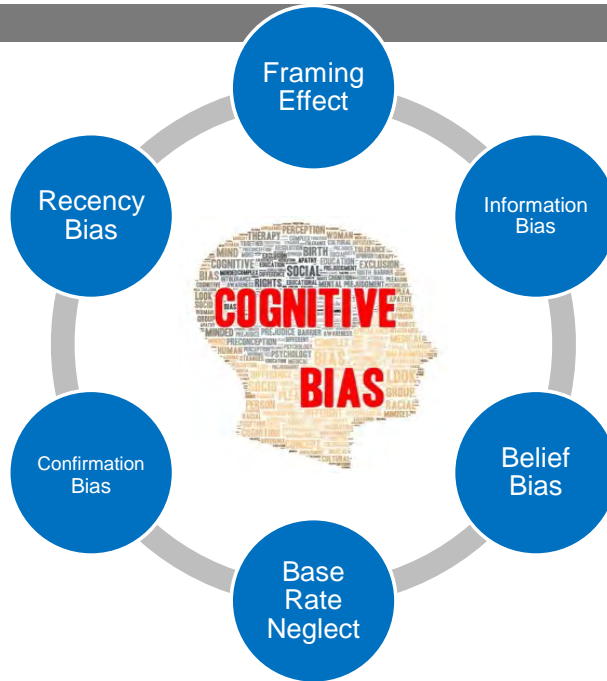
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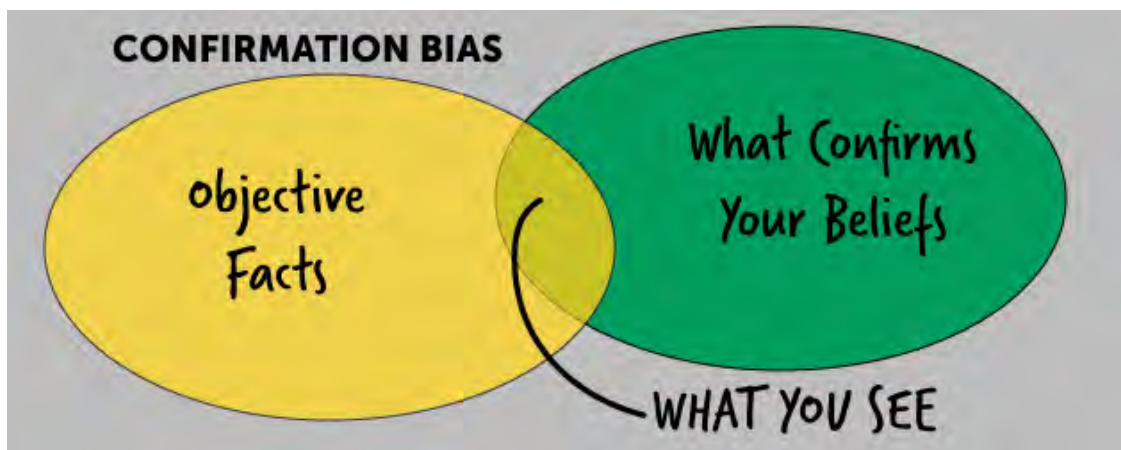
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**2 at Takeout Restaurant in U.K. Are  
Convicted of Manslaughter in Nut  
Allergy Death**

By Palko Karasz • Oct. 27, 2018



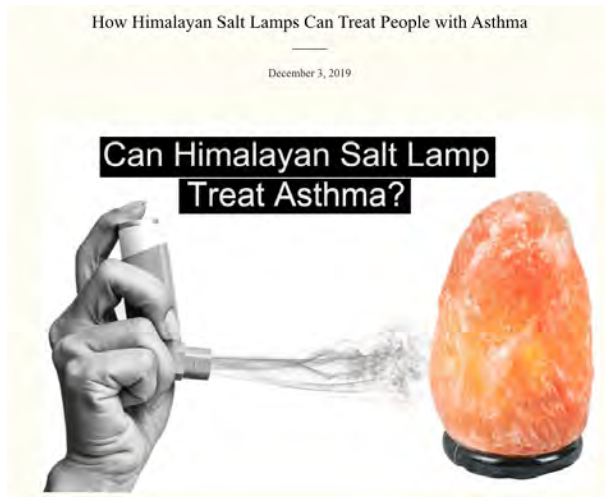
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**Pseudoscience Bingo!!!**

Inflammation	Free radicals	Detox	Celebrity endorsement	Energy
Cleanse	Fatigue	Crystals	Naturopathic	All natural
Chemical free	Ancient Wisdom	FREE SPACE	Instinctively know best	Organic
Conspiracy	Molecules	Toxins	Cure	‘Western’ Medicine
Pharma shills	“Science doesn’t know everything”	Government/ mind control	Miracle	Magnetic

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...are actually rock crystals...  
 ...release negative ions into the air...  
 ...we are surrounded by ions, some from outer space...  
 ...some people claim to feel refreshed after a storm...probably due to the negative ions emitted...

The main culprit of asthma lies in the water vapors that dance around and are filled with allergens...and viruses.

...Himalayan salt lamps attract water molecules and cause them to evaporate, eliminating the air of any allergen or pollutant.

- **Improves blood flow/circulation**
  - **Increases energy levels**
  - **Helps us sleep better**

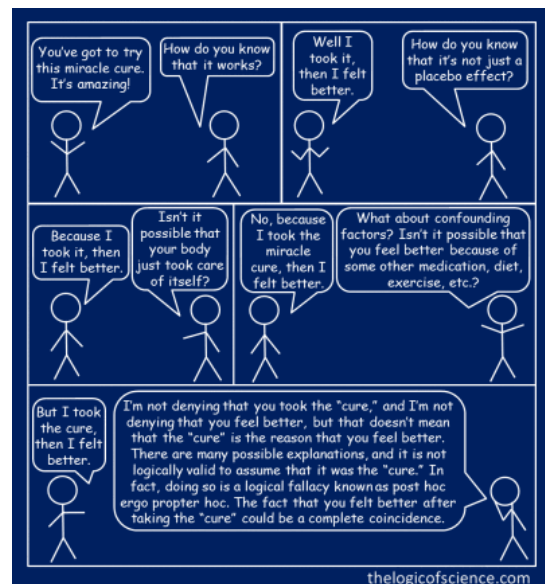
<https://ambientsaltlamp.com/blogs/news/how-himalayan-salt-lamps-can-treat-people-with-asthma>

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## The Plural of Anecdote...is NOT Data

- Logical fallacy
  - *Post hoc ergo propter hoc* = "after this, therefore because of this"
  - X happened before Y...therefore, X caused Y
- True representation is lacking
  - How many others tried and failed?
- No control → placebo effect
- Small sample size
- Not collected systematically

<https://thelogicofscience.com/2016/02/10/5-reasons-why-anecdotes-are-totally-worthless/>



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## Lack of Context From Celebrities and Influencers

<https://people.com/health/mark-wahlberg-allergic-to-almost-everything/>



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APRIL 15, 2019, 12:21 AM ET

### Bethenny Frankel's Fish Allergy Is So Severe, This Is What Happened When a Friend Who Ate Lox Kissed Her Face

The *Real Housewives of New York City* mogul Bethenny Frankel's fish allergy has almost killed her.

BY ALESANDRA DUBIN



<https://www.bravotv.com/the-real-housewives-of-new-york-city/the-feast/bethenny-frankel-fish-allergy-reaction-instagram-pictures>



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## 5 Signs A Hidden Food Sensitivity Is Sabotaging Your Health

### 23 Signs Of A Hidden Food Intolerance



By William Cole, D.C., IFMCP  
Functional Medicine Practitioner



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#### Tracking Down Hidden Food Allergies

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### A 'Shark Tank'-funded test for food sensitivity is medically dubious, experts say

By ALLISON BOND / JANUARY 23, 2018



Julia Cheek, CEO of EverlyWell, on a November 2017 episode of "Shark Tank."

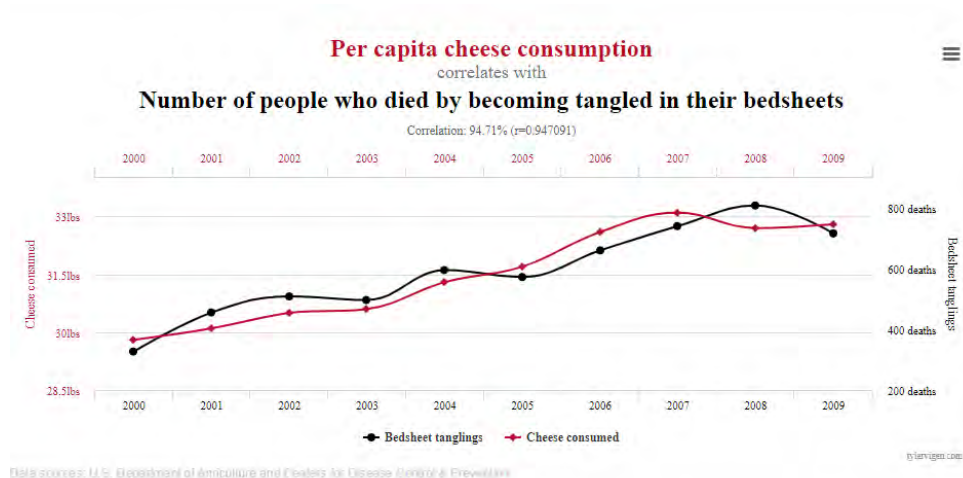
SCREEN CAPTURE

<https://www.statnews.com/2018/01/23/everlywell-food-sensitivity-test/>

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# Correlation $\neq$ Causation



<https://www.tylervigen.com/spurious-correlations>

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## The Vaccine Reaction

*An enlightened conversation about vaccination, health and autonomy*

### Merck's Peanut Oil Adjuvant

by Marco Cáceres  
Published November 23, 2015 | Vaccination, History

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SHARES



<https://thevaccinereaction.org/2015/11/mercks-peanut-oil-adjuvant/>

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NEWS

## Teen dies of allergic reaction after classmate throws cheese at him

By Yaron Steinbuch

May 2, 2019 | 2:26pm | Updated

[WEBMD HEALTH NEWS]

## Alabama Boy's Death Worries Food Allergy Parents

By Jennifer Clopton

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For someone with food allergies, even the slightest trace can be deadly.



Every 3 minutes, a life-threatening food allergy reaction sends someone to the emergency room. Learn the signs and symptoms of an allergic reaction and how to help save a life at [DeadlyFoodAllergies.com](https://www.deadlyfoodallergies.com).

<https://www.deadlyfoodallergies.com/#why-food-allergies-matter>

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## PB&J Cafe next to Boston Children's Museum sparks outrage by allergy-conscious parents

One concerned parent said the fear of contamination from kids' fingers would keep her away from the museum.



For some people with a peanut allergy, even tiny amounts of peanuts can cause anaphylaxis, a serious reaction that can even be life-threatening. *Maren Caruso / Getty Images*

<https://www.today.com/food/pb-j-cafe-next-boston-children-s-museum-sparks-outrage-t203515>

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**Annette Kroeck**

Boston Children's Museum obviously knows nothing about children if they don't think that there is going to be major peanut oil contamination through their facility if they allow this.

They have lost the peanut allergy community. And we are many...

Like · Reply · 6w



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**Maria Mirisola**

So... The Children's Museum is gluten-free but not nut-free?! That is insane....No one is dying from touching gluten but you may kill my child, among others, that come in contact with PB.

Like · Reply · 6w · Edited



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**Shannon Nelson Pone**

This is so CRAZY and out of touch!

Why would the Children's Museum decide that it's a good idea to feature a major allergen on their menu AND name their restaurant after it?! Boston Children's Museum PEANUTS ARE THE MOST LIKELY FOOD TO CAUSE ANAPHYLAXIS... See More

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**Kristina Cliffe**

Audra Teague Mackey not necessarily. Peanut can be airborne allergy. Also easier

to contaminate common areas due to oils in peanut butter. peanut allergy is more common to be life long for children and adults which is why many facilities that gear towards children are now nut free.

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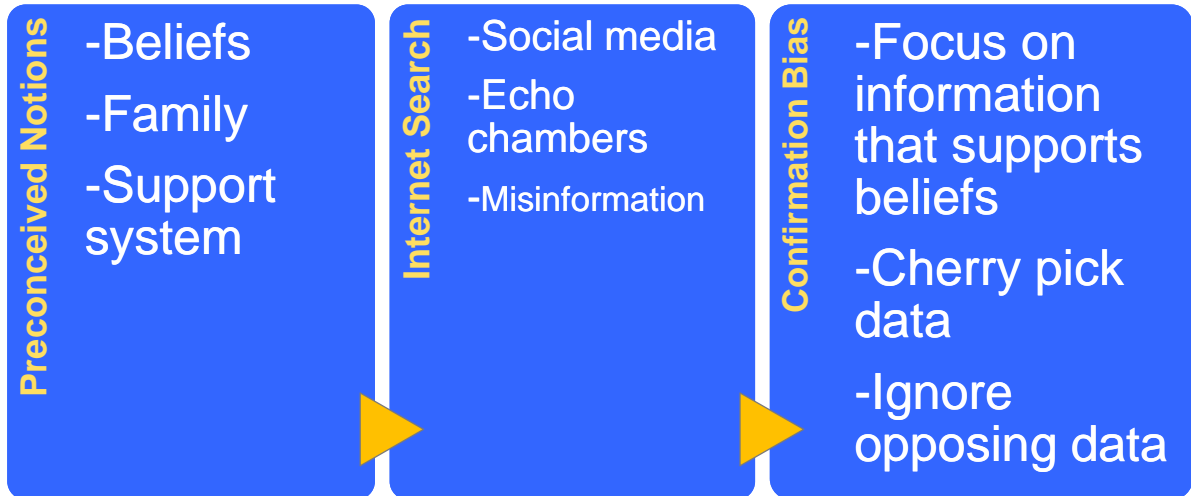
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“Research”



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## “Research” in 2022



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## What's the Harm?

**People don't know who to trust anymore**

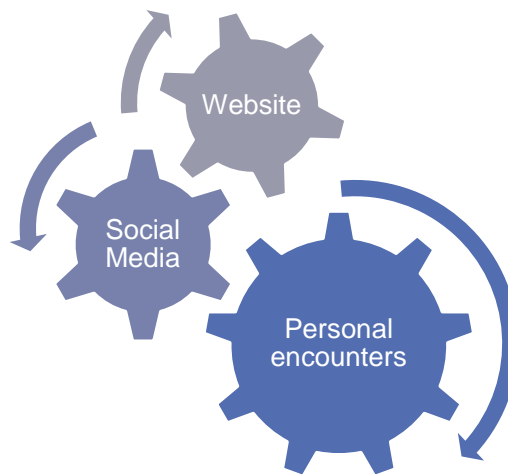
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## Practical Tools You Can Start Using Today



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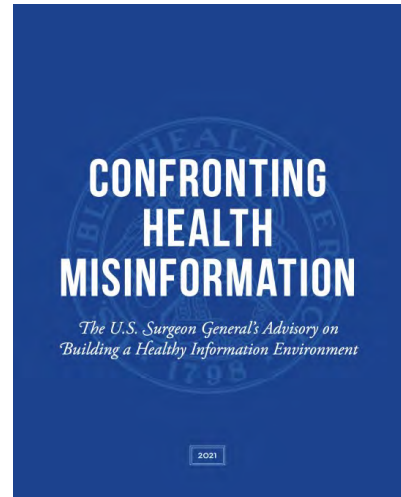
## Multipronged Approach



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## What Health Professionals Can Do

- Proactively engage with patients and the public
- Use technology and media platforms to share evidence based information
- Partner with community groups and local organizations



<https://www.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/surgeon-general-misinformation-advisory.pdf>

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## It's Time To Reclaim Our Expertise and Role as Educators

- This requires
  - Time
  - Effort
  - Dedication
  - Respect
- Let's become better
  - Listeners
  - Communicators

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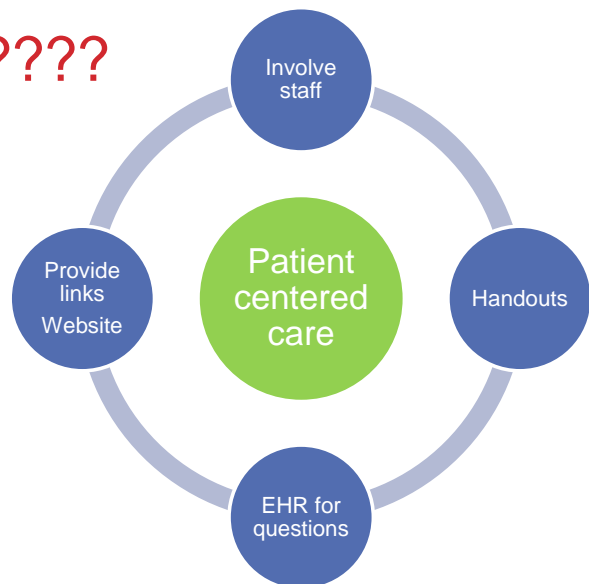
## Steps YOU Can Take Now

- Try to 'think like a patient' to understand how and where they are receiving information
- Discuss internet searches, social media, and misinformation with patients
- Increase your awareness regarding the amount and types of misinformation surrounding various conditions
- Get involved!!!

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## Who Has the Time????

**WE need to match  
the education we  
provide to the  
preferred learning  
style of each  
patient**



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# Many of Our Patients Have Low Health Literacy

- “The degree to which individuals have the capacity to obtain, process, and understand basic health information needed to make appropriate health decisions.”



<https://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/topics-objectives/topic/social-determinants-health/interventions-resources/health-literacy>

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## Red Flags for Low Literacy

- ✓ Frequently missed appointments
- ✓ Incomplete registration forms
- ✓ Non-compliance with medication
- ✓ Unable to name medications, explain purpose or dosing
- ✓ Identifies pills by looking at them, not reading label
- ✓ Unable to give coherent, sequential history
- ✓ Ask fewer questions
- ✓ Lack of follow-through on tests or referrals



<https://www.ahrq.gov/health-literacy/improve/precautions/1stedition/tool3.html>

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# Keep it Simple...But Don't Dumb it Down



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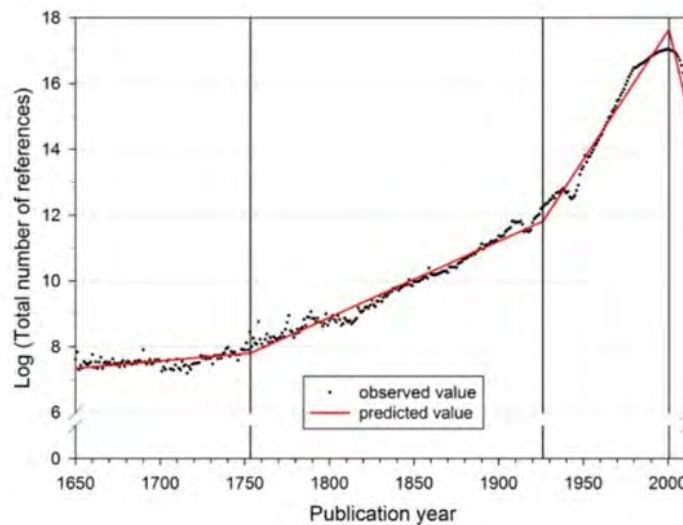
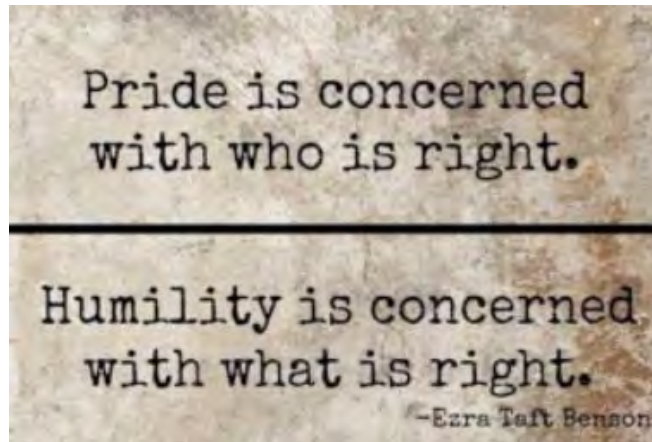


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## #SciencelsHard



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## We Can't Reach Everyone

**Nurse uses key, hairpin to try to prove she is magnetic from vaccine during Ohio House hearing (video)**



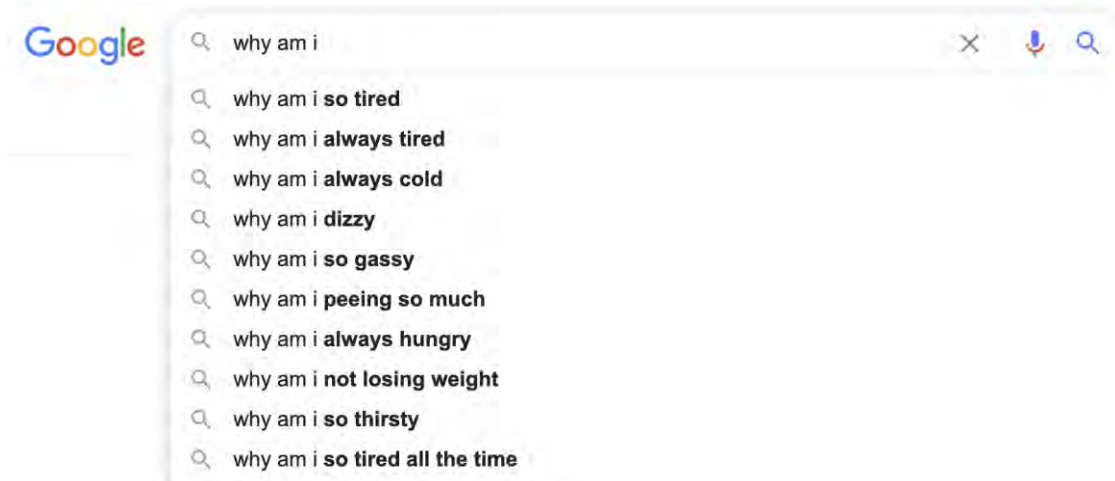
<https://www.kbtv.com/2021/06/10/nurse-uses-key-hairpin-try-prove-she-is-magnetic-vaccine-during-ohio-house-hearing-video/>

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Just wanted you to know that your excellent simplified share of info on the delta variant finally convinced my hubby to get his vaccine! I just scheduled jt for today- he's been SO hesitant...and I haven't wanted to be the nagging wife 😬🙄

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## The Number 1 Thing YOU Can Do to Help Your Patients...



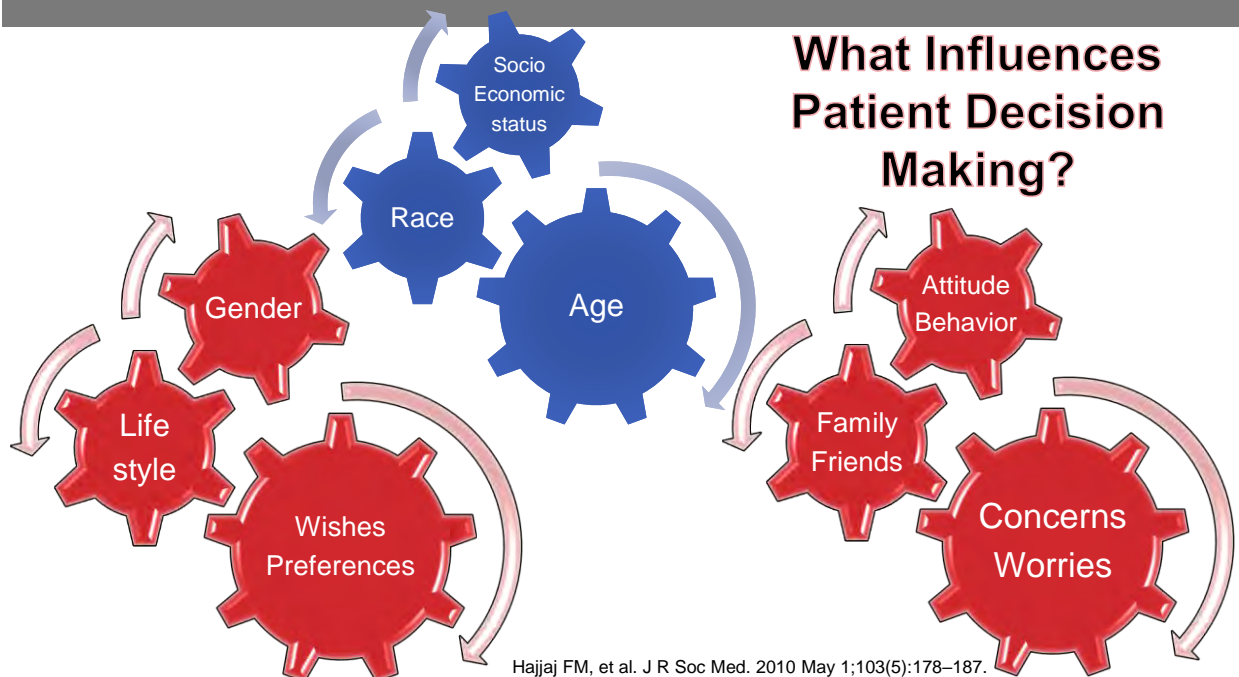
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## Learn, Anticipate, Address

- Provide anticipatory guidance at every visit
- Ask permission to discuss
- Make it a normal part of every encounter...especially the hard topics
- If you don't understand how your patients are being influenced, you won't be able to help them

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### What Influences Patient Decision Making?



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## Word Choices Matter



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## Shared Decision Making

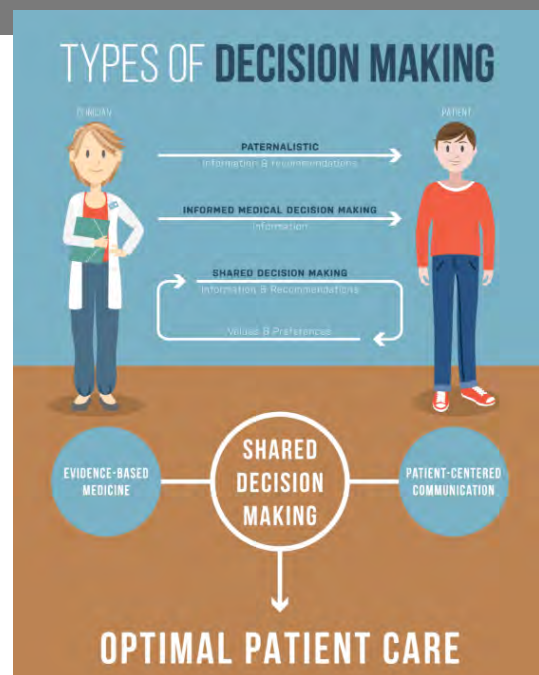
WE discuss evidence,  
options, risks

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PATIENTS discuss  
preferences & values

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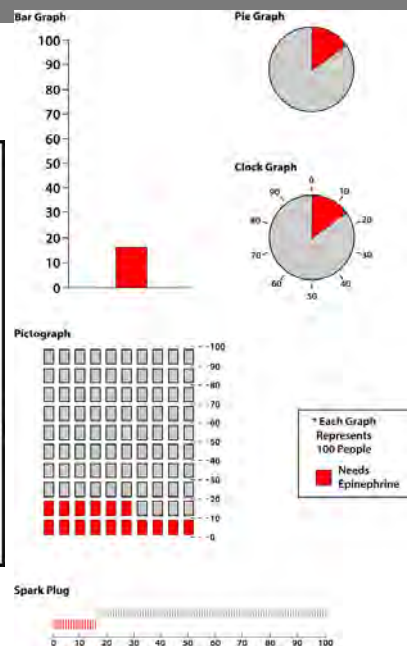
WE help PATIENTS make  
decisions based upon “what  
matters most”



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# Discuss Risk with Patients

- Provide numeric likelihoods of risks and benefits
- Provide absolute risks, not just relative risks
- Keep denominators consistent
- Keep time frames constant
- Use pictograms and other visual aids when possible
- Reduce superfluous information (cognitive overload)
- Provide positive and negative frames
- Keep risk in perspective of everyday hazards



Shaker M, et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2020;125(3):252-261.

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## The Simplest Way to Spot Coronavirus Misinformation on Social Media

A digital literacy expert shares his method



Will Oremus [Follow](#)  
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He sums it up with the acronym SIFT:

1. Stop.
2. Investigate the source.
3. Find better coverage.
4. Trace claims, quotes, and media to the original context.

<https://onezero.medium.com/the-simplest-way-to-spot-coronavirus-misinformation-on-social-media-4b7995448071>

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## How should you talk to friends and relatives who believe conspiracy theories?

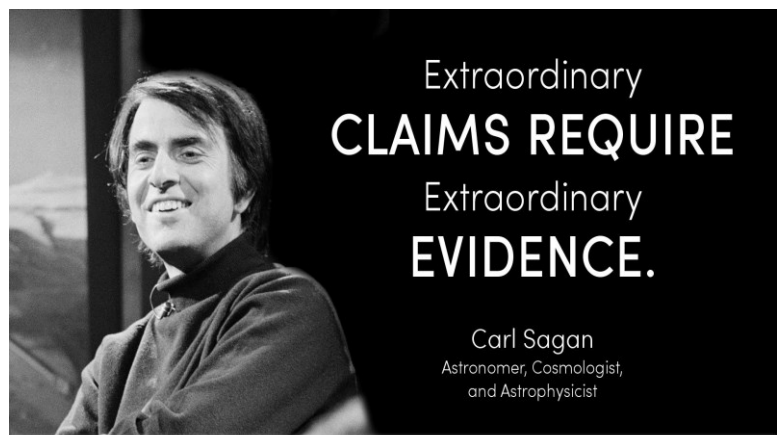
By Marianna Spring  
Specialist disinformation reporter  
© 21 December 2020

- Keep calm
- Don't dismiss
- Encourage critical thinking
- Ask questions
- Don't expect immediate results
- You can't reach everyone

<https://www.bbc.com/news/blogs-trending-55350794>

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- Encourage questions
- Listen to replies
- Offer logical explanations
- Admit when you don't know the answer
- Make yourself available for follow up questions



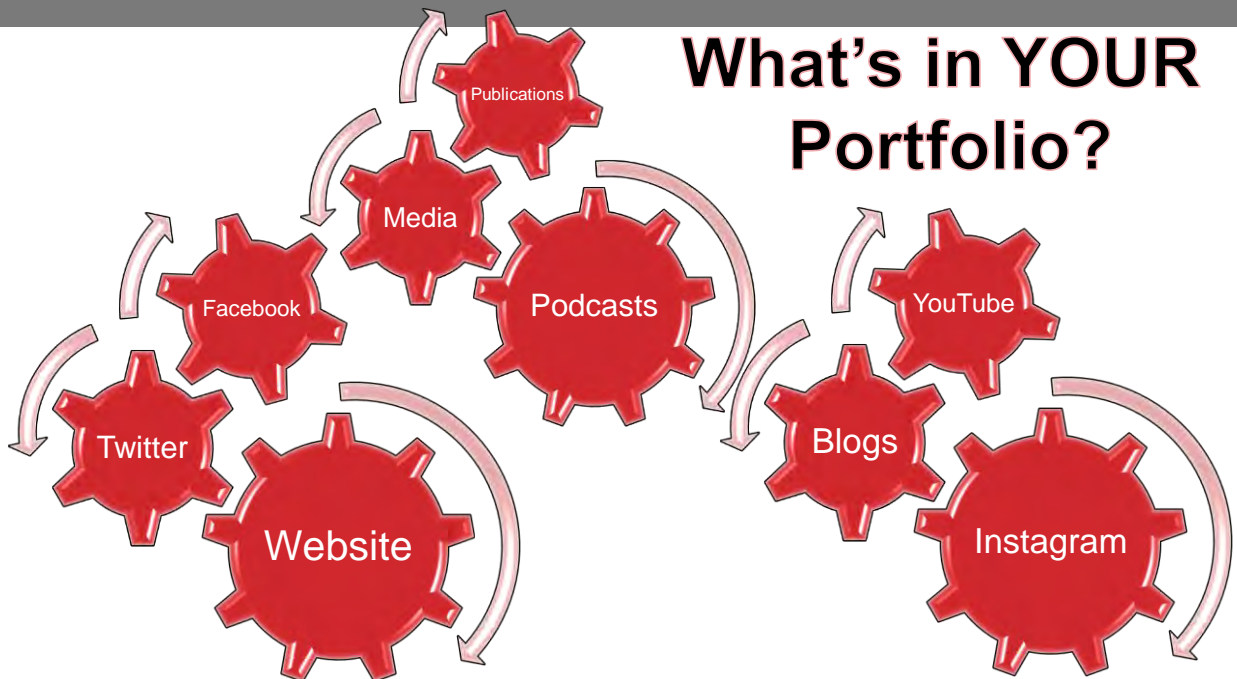
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## Addressing Misinformation Beyond Your Office Doors





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## What's in YOUR Portfolio?






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Science is cool. Evidence matters.

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780 posts 16.9k followers 124 following


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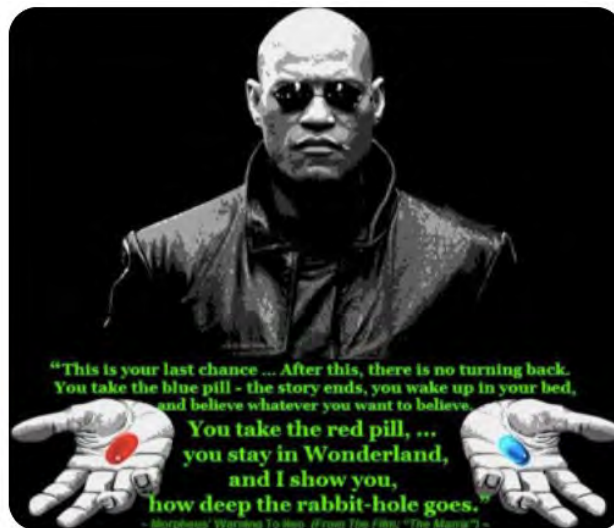
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**COVID-19 and Pollen Allergies: The Perfect Storm**  
Posted by David Stukus, MD on Apr 16, 2021

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## We Are All Living in the Matrix



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The metaverse is the next evolution of social connection. Our company's vision is to help bring the metaverse to life, so we are changing our name to reflect our commitment to this future.

## Augmented reality

Through photo and video, AR lets you enhance shared experiences with playful virtual effects at swipe of a screen, letting you express yourself with the people who matter most.

## A future made by all of us

The metaverse will be a collective project that goes beyond a single company. It will be created by people all over the world, and open to everyone.

<https://about.facebook.com/meta/>

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# This is What Keeps Me Up at Night



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## Steps YOU Can Take Now

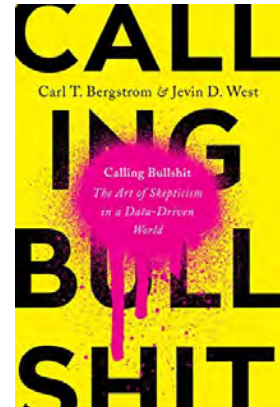
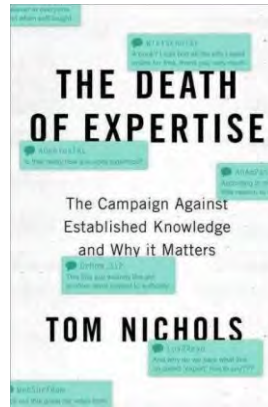
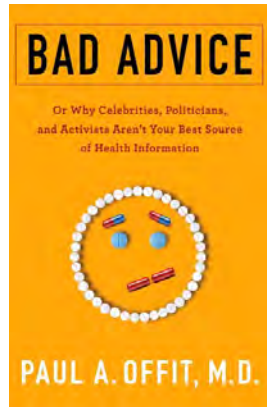
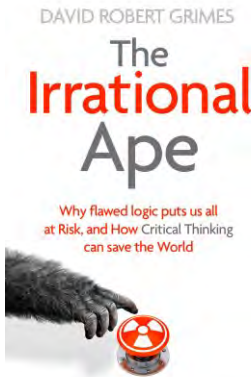
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# Thank You



PENNSYLVANIA ALLERGY & ASTHMA ASSOCIATION

# 73<sup>RD</sup> PAA ANNUAL MEETING

## **Immune Dysregulation**

Presented by:

Megan Cooper, MD, PhD

Sunday, June 26, 2022

9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.



# Immune Dysregulation

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## Learning Objectives

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- Identify signs of immune dysregulation in patients seen in the allergy/immunology clinic
- Demonstrate knowledge of genetic testing and interpretation for immune dysregulation syndromes
- Describe potential therapies for patients with immune dysregulation



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  - Normal CBC and IgG
  - Normal T cell numbers
  - Elevated B cells
  - **Non-protective responses to tetanus and streptococcus pneumoniae (Prevnar) vaccination**
    - Absent memory B cells



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    - **PIK3CD** - pE1021K
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- *Treatment: mTOR inhibitor (sirolimus) for modulation of the immune response*



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Angulo et al Science 2013; Lucas et al Nat Immunol 2014; Kracker et al JACI 2014; Hartman et al, J Clin Immunol 2015; Coulter et al JACI 2017  
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## Inborn Errors of Immunity (IEI)

- Inborn Errors of Immunity (IEI) are inherited disorder of the immune system, also known Primary immunodeficiencies (PID)
- There are more than 470+ single-gene inborn errors of immunity
  - Diverse range of clinical symptoms
  - Infectious susceptibility, autoimmunity, autoinflammation, lymphoproliferation, bone marrow failure, cancers

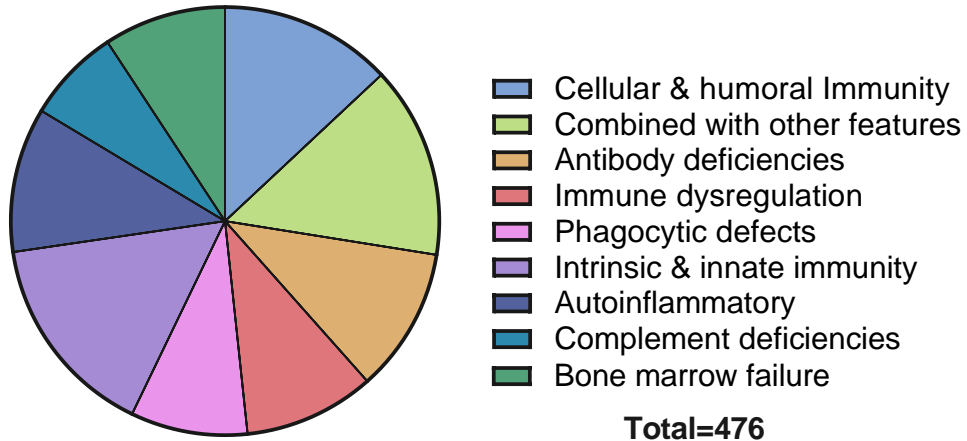
*Genomic discovery advances our understanding of the immune system and can provide targeted therapies for patients*



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## The Spectrum of IEI

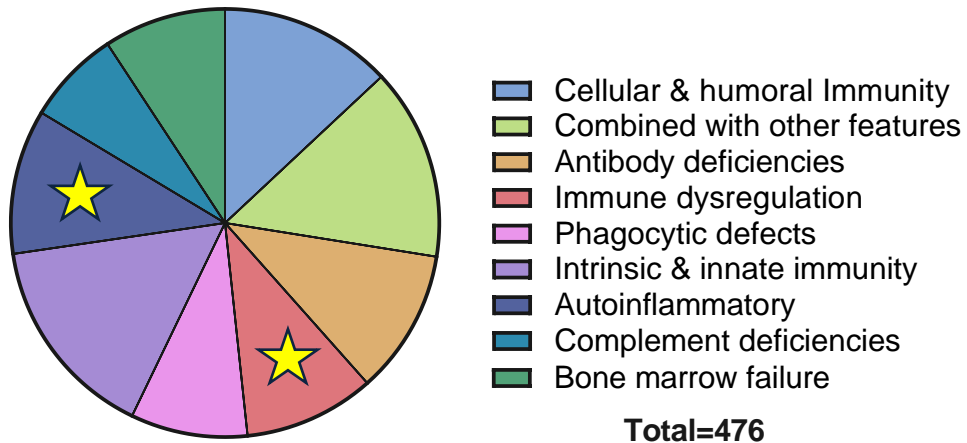


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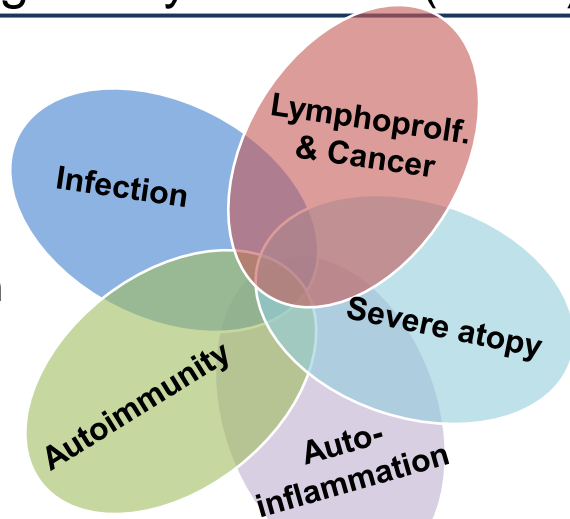
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# Primary Immune Regulatory Disorder (PIRD)

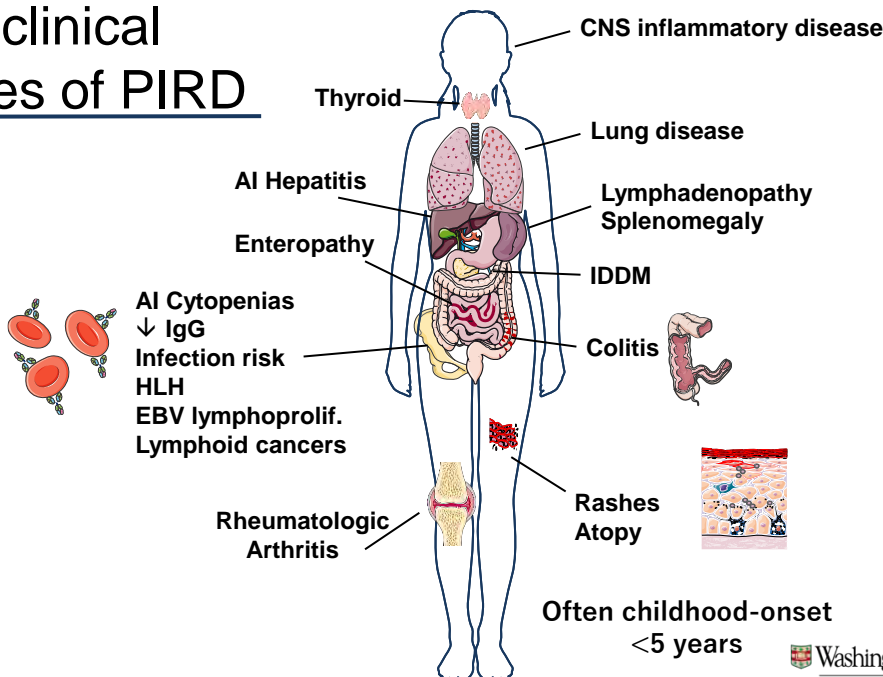
- A subset of Inborn Errors of Immunity (IEI)
- A broad category of inborn errors characterized by altered regulation of the immune response



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## Major clinical features of PIRD

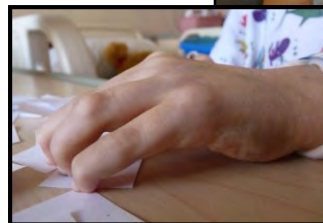


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## Case 2: 4 year old with autoimmune hepatitis and poly-autoimmunity

- Autoimmune hepatitis
- Severe autoimmune hemolytic anemia (Hgb 2.6)
- Overlap syndrome scleroderma and arthritis
- Short stature (<2 SD)
- No significant family history
- *No infections*

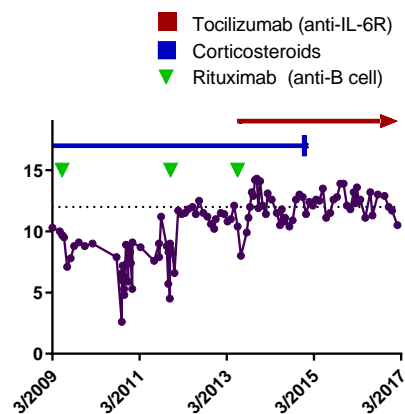
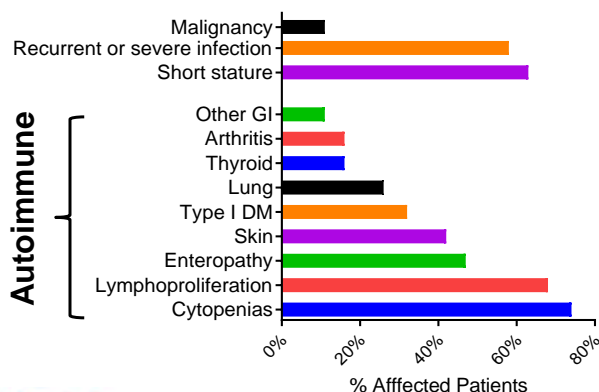


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## Case 2 Dx: 4yo boy with AI hepatitis, anemia, arthritis

- **STAT3 gain-of-function syndrome:** early-onset poly-autoimmunity & infections with prominent cytopenias and enteropathy



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## Case 3: 20 mo with anemia & rash

- 20 mo male infant with developmental delays presents with a year of intermittent fevers, rash, and anemia with new sternal and ankle pain
- Mother with history of recurrent oral and genital ulcers
- Exam: nodular skin rash
- CBC:
  - **Hgb – 6.5 g/dL** (11.5-13.5)
  - Plt – 483 cells/ $\mu$ L (150-400)
  - WBC – 8.6 cells/ $\mu$ L (6-17.5)
- ESR 77 (ref <20)
- CRP 69 (ref <10)



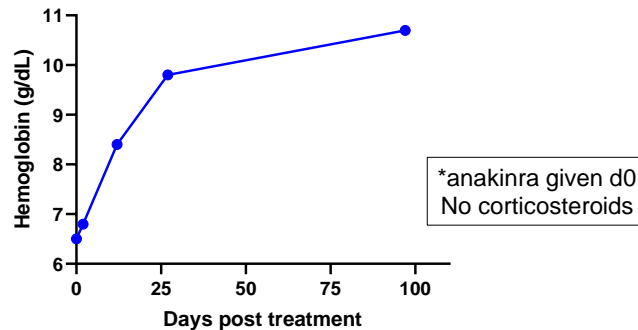
## Inpatient evaluation

- **Immunology/Rheumatology:**
  - IgG 1581, IgA 185.5, IgM 111.9
  - Normal immune subsets
  - Serum cytokines: elevated
    - TNF 21.5 [<10], IL-6 258 [<5], MCP-1 769 [<198], IL-1 $\beta$  22.1 [<20], sIL2R $\alpha$  >4000 [<9]
  - MRI of foot and chest – **osteomyelitis**
- **Neurology:**
  - Differential including Aicardi-Goutières
  - Brain MRI – normal; EEG normal; LP normal
- **Hematology:**
  - Coombs negative → anemia of chronic disease
  - Low concern for malignancy
- **Orthopedics:**
  - Bone biopsy – non-specific inflammation, no infection
- **Infectious diseases:**
  - Extensive evaluation negative for infection
- **Dermatology:**
  - Skin biopsy - Neutrophilic panniculitis
- **Genetic testing → 2-4 weeks**



## Case 3 Dx: 1yo with anemia & rash

- Started anakinra (2mg/kg) → rapid improvement of rash and anemia.



- Genetic testing demonstrated a novel heterozygous truncation variant in **TNFAIP3 (A20)** causing haploinsufficiency of A20 (**anti-TNF-a would have been another therapy to try given this**)



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## Case 4: 5yo girl with autoimmune hepatitis

- 5 year old girl with 2 months of abdominal pain and weight loss
- Liver biopsy → autoimmune hepatitis
- Low calcium → hypoparathyroidism
- No family history of autoimmune disease
- Normal growth & development
- No infections*



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## Case 4 Dx: 5yo girl with AI hepatitis

- Genetic testing demonstrated homozygous inherited pathogenic variants in **AIRE**, abnormal thymic selection of T cells
  - Autoimmune polyendocrinopathy, candidiasis & ectodermal dysplasia = **APECED** (or APS1).
- Change in clinical care including monitoring and treatment.



***Mycophenolate mofetil***  
***Rituximab***  
***Discontinue steroids***

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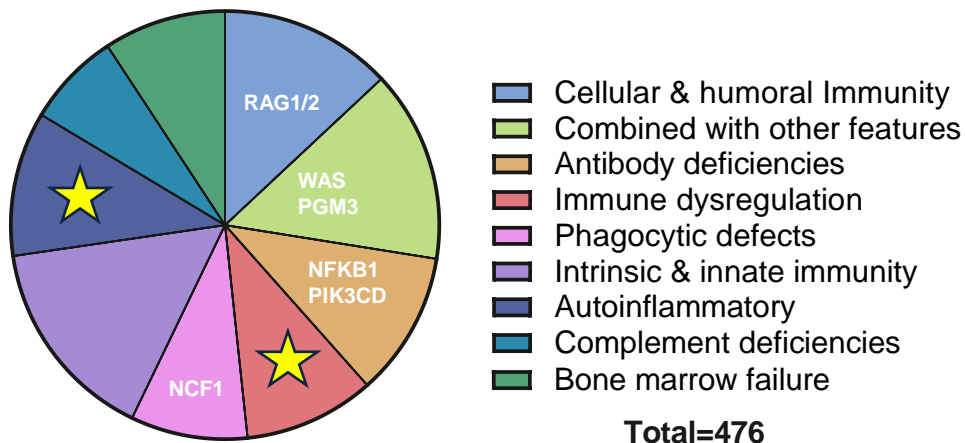
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## Expanding spectrum of PIRD



See: Chan & Torgerson, *Curr Opin Allergy Clin Immunol*, 2020



Data from: IUIS Reports: Tangye et al, *J Clin Immunol*, 2020; Tangye et al, *J Clin Immunol* 2021; and <https://iuis.org/committees/iei/>

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## ‘Immunodeficiencies’ with immune dysregulation

Table 1. Autoimmune clinical manifestations by organ system of select primary immunodeficiency syndromes\*

Gene	Disease name	AI Cyto-penias	Skin disease	Enteropathy	Lung	Endocrinopathy	Arthritis	Other
<b>Severe Combined Immunodeficiency</b>								
RAG1, RAG2	Omenn	++	++++	+++	-	+	-	++
PNP	SCID	+++	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Combined Immune Deficiencies</b>								
CD40L	XL HlgM	+++	++	++	-	++	++	++
ICOS	ICOS	+	++	+++	+	-	++	++
PI3KCD, PI3KR1	APDS	++	+	++	+++	++	++	++
22q11.2	DiGeorge	++	++	+	-	++	+	+
WAS	WAS	+++	++++	+	-	-	++	++
STIM1	STIM1 def	++++	-	+	-	-	-	-
STK4	MST1 def	+++	-	-	-	-	-	-

**SCID** = Severe combined immunodeficiency, defect in T cell numbers and/or function




**CID** = Combined immune deficiency, defects in T and B cell function and/or development

Kitcharoensakkul & Cooper, *Textbook of Autoimmunity*, 2020

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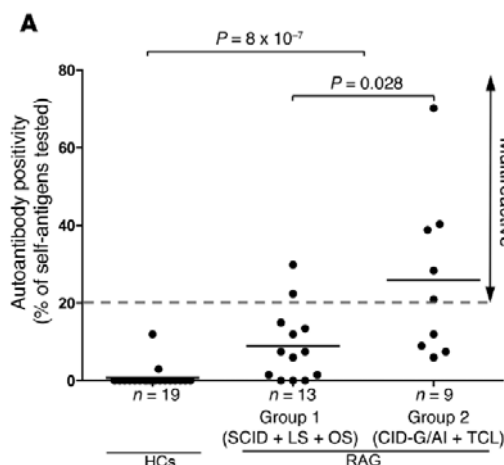
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# RAG Deficiency

Infections/Immunodeficiency		Autoimmunity
<u>SCID</u> Infections T/B deficiency ➤ <b>Transplant</b>	<u>OMENN</u> Infections +/-T/B Cells Restricted repertoire Rash, GI disease ➤ <b>Transplant</b>	<u>CID with G/AI</u> Normal T/B # Hyperinflammation Autoimmunity ➤ <b>Immune modulators</b>
		
<b>Notarangelo lab</b> CID with G/AI = combined immunodeficiency with granulomatosis and autoimmunity		Washington University in St. Louis SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

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## Autoimmunity in RAG deficiency



- 22 patients with RAG-deficiency
- High rate of autoantibodies in the serum of patients
- Multiple anti-cytokine antibodies

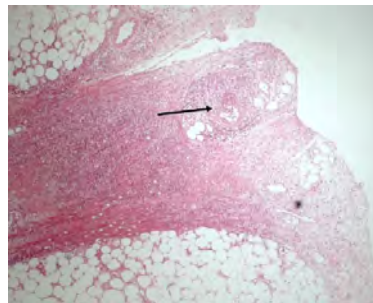
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## Autoimmunity with RAG1/2 deficiency

- AI cytopenias: anemia, thrombocytopenia, neutropenia
  - 10/13 CID patients

Case reports:

- Granulomatous disease (GPA mimic)
- Crohn's disease
- Vasculitis, lupus
- Juvenile arthritis
- Myasthenia Gravis
- Psoriasis
- Vitiligo



Hypomorphic RAG1 defect in a child presented with pulmonary hemorrhage and digital necrosis. Taskiran et al, Clin Immunol, 2018.

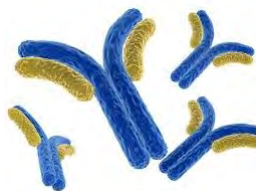


## Antibody deficiencies & immune dysregulation

Gene	Disease name	AI Cyto-penias	Skin disease	Enter-opathy	Lung	Endocrin-opathy	Arthritis	Other
Predominantly Antibody Deficiencies								
BTK	XLA	++	+	++	-	-	++	-
Multiple/unknown	CVID	++	++	++	++	++	++	++

XLA= **X linked agammaglobulinemia**, absence of B cells

CVID= **Common variable immunodeficiency**, antibody deficiency characterized by low immunoglobulin and abnormal response to vaccination



# CVID

**Table 2. Selected complications from a large cohort (n=473) of common variable immune deficiency patients followed at one medical center over four decades**

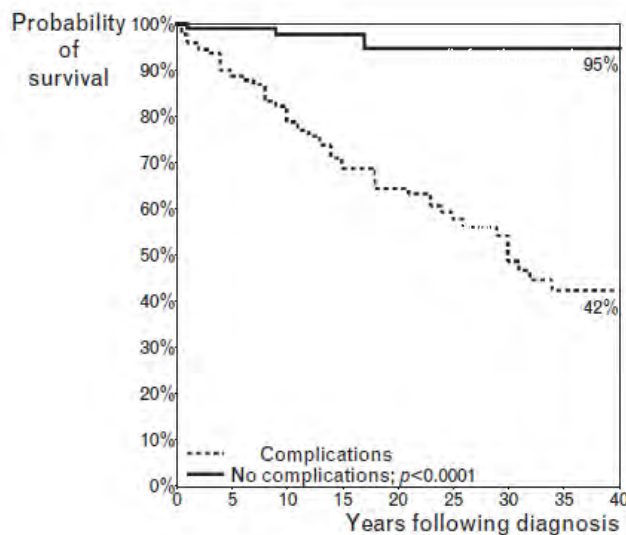
Associated condition	Number (n = 473)	Percentage of cohort (%)
Infections only (no complications)	151	31.9
Chronic lung disease (functional/structural)	135	28.5
Bronchiectasis	53	11.2
Autoimmunity	134	28.6
Immune thrombocytopenic purpura (ITP)	67	14.2
Autoimmune hemolytic anemia (AIHA)	33	7
Gastrointestinal disease	73	15.4
Malabsorption	28	5.9
Inflammatory Bowel Disease (Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, ulcerative proctitis)	20	4.2
Liver disease/hepatitis	43	9.1
Granulomatous disease	46	9.7
Lymphoma	39	8.2
Cancer	33	7
Splenectomy	39	8.2

Resnick & Cunningham-Rundles, Curr Opin Allergy Clin Immunol, 2012

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# CVID



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## Cytopenias in CVID

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- Autoimmune cytopenias can precede the diagnosis of CVID
- These patients are more likely to have other non-infectious complications (OR 2.9, Feuille et al, J Clin Immunol, 2018)
  - Enteropathy, interstitial lung disease, liver, lymphoproliferation, granulomatous disease)
  - May reflect an increased rate of monogenic (or digenic) cause for their CVID
- Treatments:
  - Can consider B cell depletion therapy for refractory cytopenias
  - Avoid splenectomy



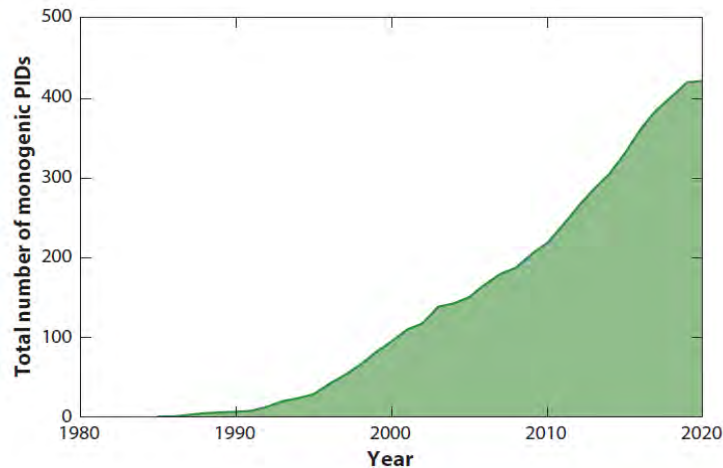
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# Genetic discovery of Inborn Errors of Immunity



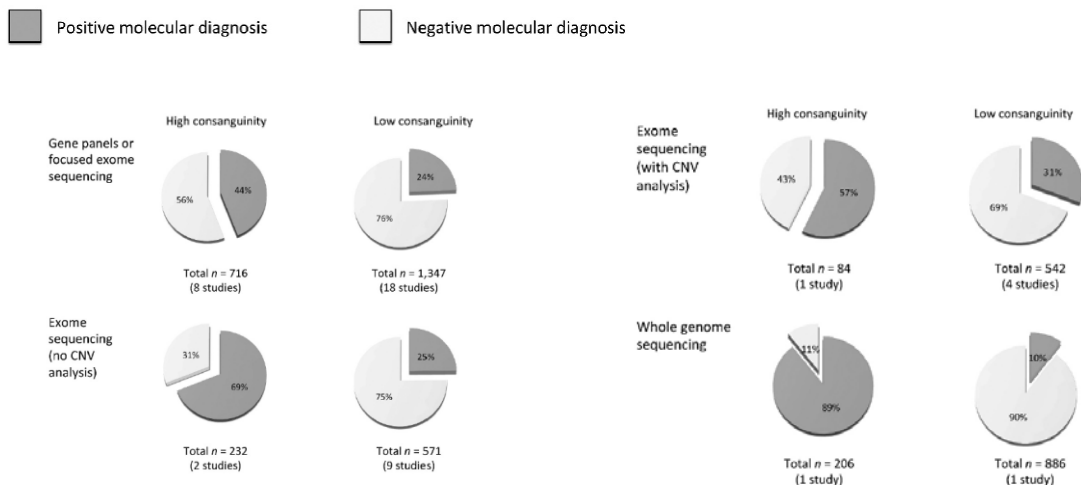
Schmitt &amp; Cooper, Ann Rev Immunol, 2021

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## Molecular diagnosis rates for IEI



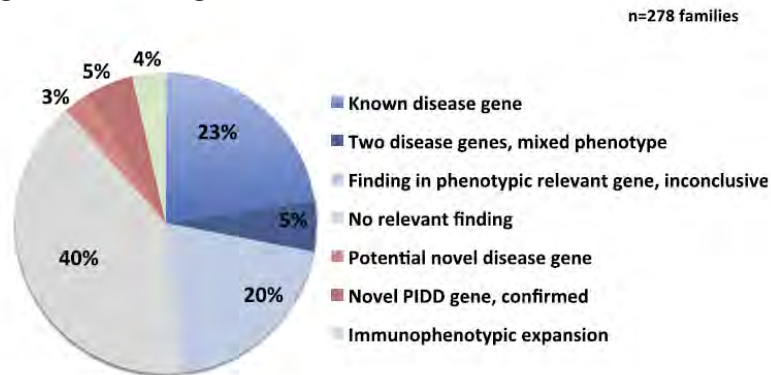
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## Molecular diagnosis rates of IEI

- Exome sequencing of 278 patients/families with IEI
- A genetic diagnosis was identified in ~40%

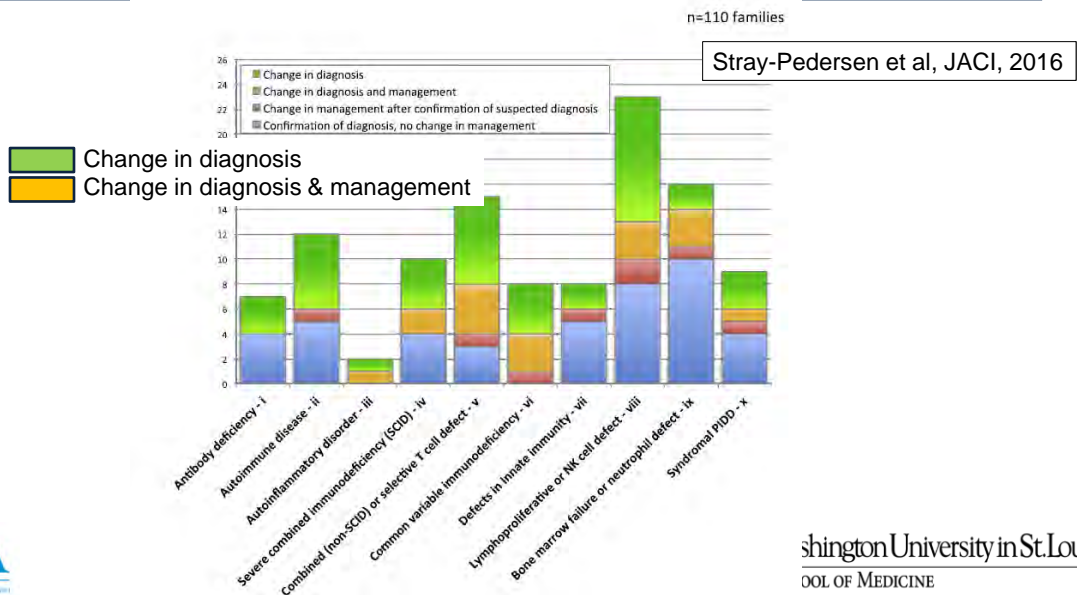


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## Molecular diagnosis: changes in diagnosis and treatment



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# What genetic test to order?

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- **Single gene testing:**
  - Do you know with certainty what they have? Strong family history
- **Panel-based testing:**
  - Readily available, 2-3 week turnaround, test for ~500 genes associated with known disease
  - Cost: frequently low out-of-pocket or free testing through several programs
- **Exome or genome sequencing:**
  - Has the patient been through a diagnostic odyssey or does their phenotype not fit a clear syndrome?
  - Consider referral to genetic counselor, there may be secondary findings
  - Exome doesn't pick up everything
    - Hard to sequence by exome: NCF1, NEMO, TBX1...
    - intronic variants – ATM, BTK, JAK3, LRBA...
    - UTR and poly A variants – IL2RG, FOXP3, WAS...
- **Chromosomal microarray:**
  - Detect large insertions deletions, e.g., Chr22q11.2 microdeletion syndrome



## Summary

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- Inborn errors of immunity can present predominantly with immune dysregulation rather than infectious susceptibility
- Variation in genetic changes can lead to immune dysregulation in diseases typically associated with severe immunodeficiency
- Genetic testing can change diagnosis and treatment of patients



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## **Oral Food Challenges in Infants and Toddlers**

Presented by:  
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10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.



# Oral Food Challenges in Infants and Toddlers

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# Objectives

- Identify optimal patients for oral food challenges
- Interpret food allergy test results in the proper context
- Incorporate information learned from oral food challenges into standard practice

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# Here is THE Reference

## AAAAI Work Group Report



## Conducting an Oral Food Challenge: An Update to the 2009 Adverse Reactions to Foods Committee Work Group Report

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### Oral Food Challenges in Infants and Toddlers

Justin Greiwe, MD<sup>a,b,\*</sup>

#### KEYWORDS

• Food allergy • Oral food challenge • Anaphylaxis • Infants • Epinephrine

#### KEY POINTS

- Oral food challenges are a critical procedure to identify patients with IgE-mediated food allergy when the history and testing are not specific enough to confirm a diagnosis.
- Food challenges in infants and toddlers are both safe and practical in a clinical setting.
- Comprehensive past medical history is critical in the diagnosis of food allergy and should be used to determine subsequent testing and interpretation of results.
- Food allergies are associated with significant social and psychological consequences that often are overlooked by health care professionals.
- More emphasis needs to be placed on food challenge education and hands-on experience during fellowship training.

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## Here is My New FAVORITE Reference

### Controversies in Allergy

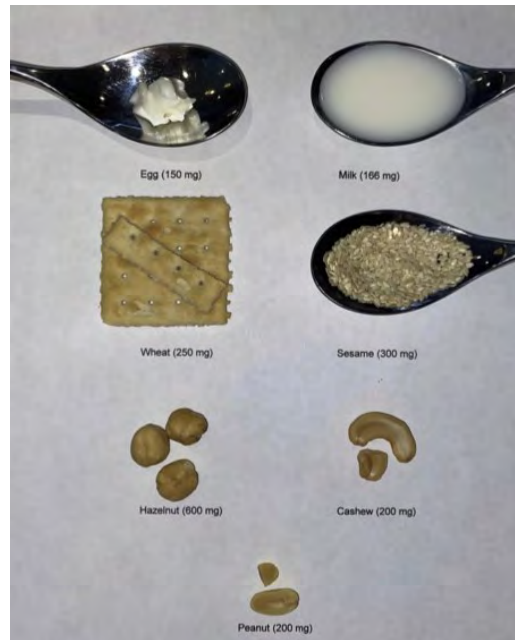
### Managing Food Allergy When the Patient Is Not Highly Allergic

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Eliciting  
Dose for  
50% of the  
population  
with each  
food allergy



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The good physician treats the disease; the great physician treats the patient who has the disease.

~ William Osler

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# “Treat the patient, not the numbers”

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## Initial Thoughts...

- Food allergies are grossly over diagnosed and misdiagnosed
- WE have the expertise to understand pathophysiology and clinical features of food allergy
- Testing does not diagnose food allergy – WE DO

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## Case 1

- 6 year old boy with peanut allergy
- Diagnosed 13 months of age
  - Facial hives after eating peanut butter, resolved with antihistamines
- Followed by multiple allergists
  - Repeat skin tests ~8 mm wheal
  - Serum levels:
    - 2012 = 2.64 kU/L
    - 2013 = 9.96 kU/L
    - 2015 = 5.39 kU/L
    - 2016 = 2.90 kU/L
    - 2017 = 5.60 kU/L



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They said we have to treat all of his allergies at once to reduce the risk of severe reactions. I agree with you that it seems like it would overwhelm his system. They also want to skin test him for 110 allergens including foods he is eating without problems. This is our 5th allergist. Can I seriously fax or email you our records? We will drive to you to perform the oral challenge if you think he stands a chance of passing it. It'll be a 10 hour drive so we can't really do preliminary appointments. I have all of his blood work and a recent skin test tho. He starts kindergarten in august so I feel like we are running out of time and options. Thank you for your time.

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Leaving his first Kindergarten field trip... never would've happened without you. Keep doing what your doing. It's changing lives.



First real Halloween! Had to share 😊

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## An Ideal Food Allergy Test

Noninvasive

- Readily available
- Easy to use and interpret

Reliable

- High positive predictive value
- Low false positives

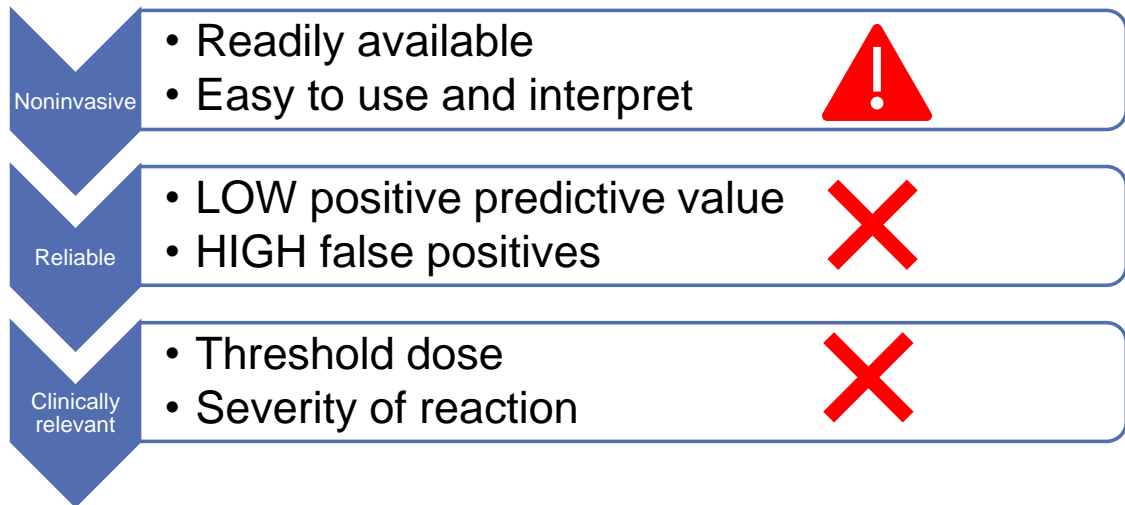
Clinically relevant

- Threshold dose
- Severity of reaction

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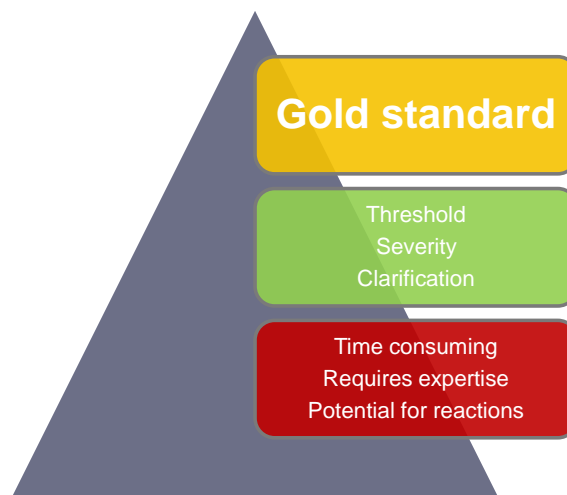


## Current Food Allergy Tests



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## Oral Food Challenges



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# OFCs in Clinical Practice

**TABLE 1.** Reported number of oral food challenges performed during fellowship and in practice

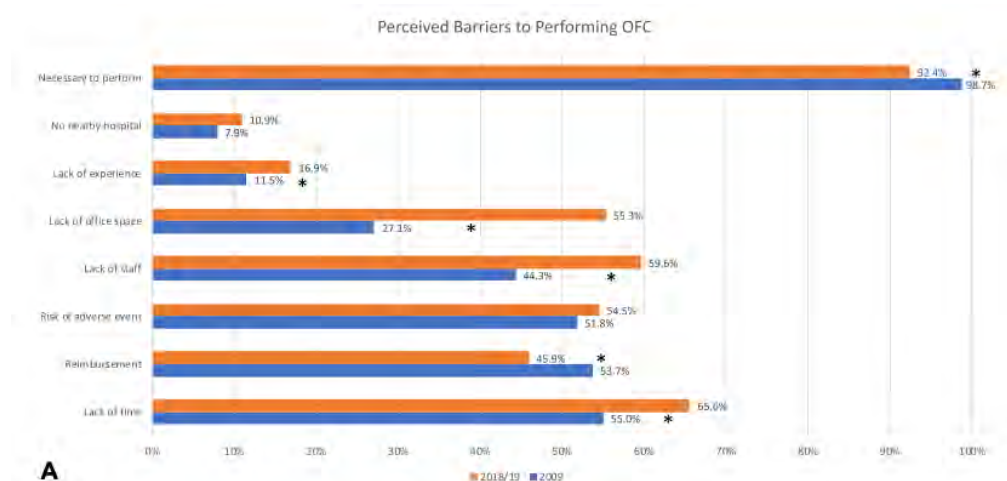
OFC performed in fellowship (per fellowship duration), total number		Percent reporting (535 answered)
0		28.97% (155)
1-10		26.92% (144)
11-20		15.70% (84)
21-30		9.72% (52)
31-40		3.93% (21)
41 or more		14.77% (79)
OFC performed in practice (per month), total number		Percent reporting (513 answered)
0		5.46% (28)
1-5		58.09% (298)
6-10		19.30% (99)
11-15		7.21% (37)
16-20		9.94% (51)

OFC, Oral food challenge.

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# Barriers to Oral Food Challenges in Practice



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## Oral Food Challenge

- Gold standard diagnostic procedure to establish a diagnosis of food allergy
- Can be utilized in **any** age group
- Can help determine:
  - If allergy is present when history/testing indeterminate
  - If tolerance has developed
  - If individual can tolerate other tree nuts not involved in suspected reaction

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## The ONLY Absolute Contraindication...



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## Five Things Physicians and Patients Should Question

**Don't perform unproven diagnostic tests, such as immunoglobulin G (IgG) testing or an indiscriminate battery of immunoglobulin E (IgE) tests, in the evaluation of allergy.**

**Don't perform food IgE testing without a history consistent with potential IgE-mediated food allergy.**

<https://www.choosingwisely.org/societies/american-academy-of-allergy-asthma-immunology/>

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## What Makes a Good Screening Test?

Important Characteristics	Food IgE Skin and Serum Tests
Is asymptomatic disease prevalent?	No
Does the disease cause significant morbidity or mortality?	Potentially
Is treatment available to prevent disease through early detection?	No
Does the test accurately identify those with disease? (True positives)	No
Does the test inaccurately identify those without disease? (False positives)	Yes
Will inaccurate screening lead to unnecessary additional testing or treatment?	Absolutely

Inhal Toxicol. 2014 Nov; 26(13): 811–828.

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## Proper Interpretation of IgE Testing

- Use test results to determine sensitization vs no sensitization
- Size of sensitization helps determine likelihood of allergy being present
- All testing can help determine is the best approach to eating the food again
  - Home
  - Office
  - Avoidance

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## Case 2

- 2 year old boy diagnosed with milk, egg, peanut, soy, tree nut allergies
- No prior ingestion or immediate onset reactions
- Severe eczema as infant
- PCP obtained a food allergy panel at 9 months of age to 'find the cause'
  - Milk = 1.91 kU/L
  - Egg = 7.21 kU/L
  - Peanut = 5.63 kU/L
  - Soy = 0.67 kU/L



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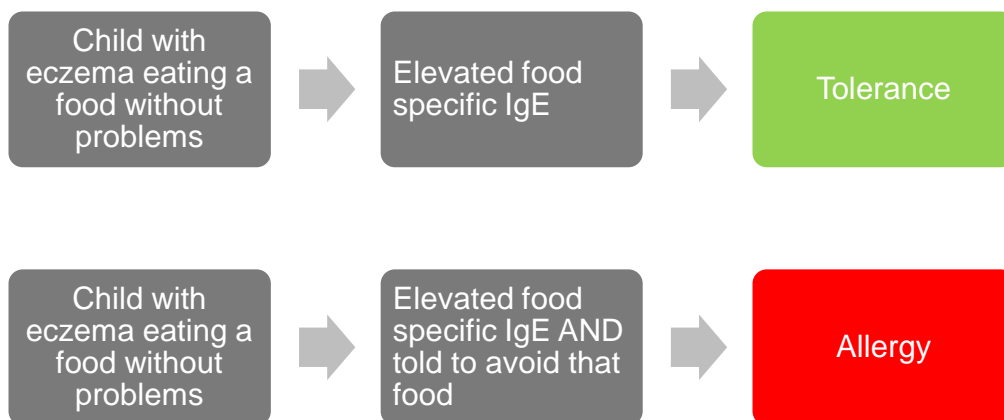
## Case 2

- Family told to strictly avoid milk, egg, peanut, soy, tree nuts
- Mother told to remove from her diet while breast feeding
- Eczema gradually improved
- Tolerating fruits, vegetables, meats and also now soy products
- Sought evaluation by allergist at 2 years of age
- Repeat testing

Milk = 1.91 kU/L → 21.4 kU/L  
 Egg = 7.21 kU/L → 3.27 kU/L  
 Peanut = 5.63 kU/L → 12.4 kU/L

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### Primum non nocere (First, do no harm)

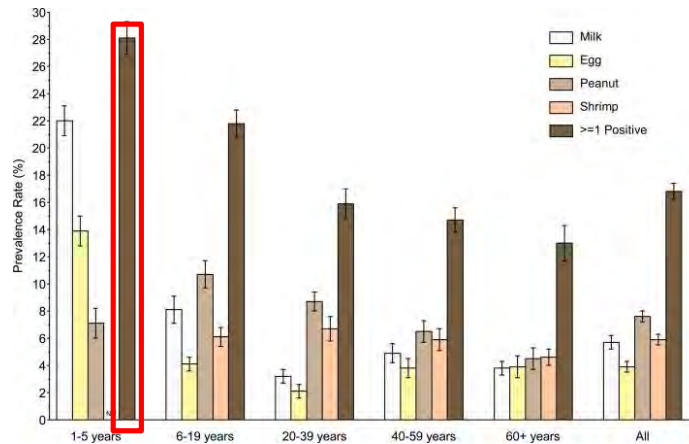


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## Rates of Sensitization > Clinical Allergy



- NHANES data reveal 28% of children with specific IgE > 0.35 kU/L
- Clinical allergy rates 2-6%

Liu AH et al. JACI. 2010;126(4):798-806.

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## We Should NOT Diagnose Food Allergy Based Upon:

- Testing alone
  - Especially if they are eating the food without problems!!!
- Eczema
- Chronic urticaria
- Parental concern
- Chronic GI symptoms
- Family history

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# Food Elimination is NOT a Benign Intervention



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## Rare Causes of IgE Mediated Allergy



Table 5. Contact Urticaria

Meats, fruits, vegetables, and other foodstuffs.		Spices	Additives
Apple	Liver	Cassia seed	Acetic acid
Apricot	Lupin seed	Cayenne pepper	Amantils
Almond	Malt	Cassia	Benzoic acid
Artichoke	Mango	Caraway	Butyric acid
Avocado	Melons	Caraway	Cinnamic acid
Avocado	Milk	Caraway	Cinnamic aldehyde
Barley	Mustard	Caraway	Cellulose
Beans	Mustard	Caraway	Caraway
Beet	Onion	Caraway	Renaldehyde
Beer	Orange	Caraway	Balsam of Peru
Brazil nut	Parsnip	Caraway	Ethyl butyl isopropyl
Buckwheat	Peach	Caraway	acetyl alcohol
Cabbage	Peanut	Caraway	Methanol
Carrot	Peanut	Caraway	Neococaine
Cauliflower	Pickles	Caraway	Sorbic acid
Celery	Pineapple	Caraway	Sodium benzoate
Chamomile	Pumpkin	Caraway	Sunset Yellow
Chickpea	Pumpkin	Caraway	Tartrazine (FD & C no. 5)
Chives	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Coffee bean	Pumpkin	Caraway	
(Green)	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Corn	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Cucumber	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Egg	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Endive	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Fennel	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Fig	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Fish	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Flour	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Frog legs	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Garlic	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Grapefruit	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Green pepper	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Honey	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Kidney	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Leek	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Lemon	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Lettuce	Pumpkin	Caraway	
Lime	Pumpkin	Caraway	
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## Why Are There So Many False Positives?

- Eczema
- Allergic rhinitis
- Cross reactive allergens
- IgG binding
- Dermatographism

ALLERGEN(S) INTERP.	---
ALLERGEN CAT DAND.	<0.10
ALLERGEN COCKROAC.	<0.10
ALLERGEN DOG DAND.	1.34 <b>1*</b>
ALLERGEN MITE FAR.	<0.10
ALLERGEN MITE PTE.	<0.10
ALLERGEN ALMONDS IGE	0.22
ALLERGEN APPLE IGE	
ALLERGEN BANANA IGE	2.62 <b>1*</b>
ALLERGEN CASHEWS IGE	0.17
ALLERGEN COD IGE	0.48 <b>1*</b>
ALLERGEN CRAB IGE	<0.10
ALLERGEN EGG WHIT.	4.97 <b>1*</b>
ALLERGEN LOBSTER IGE	<0.10
ALLERGEN MILK (CO.	1.06 <b>1*</b>
ALLERGEN PEANUT IGE	0.48 <b>1*</b>
ALLERGEN PECAN IGE	<0.10
ALLERGEN PISTACH.	0.19
ALLERGEN SALMON IGE	0.27
ALLERGEN SCALLOP IGE	<0.10
ALLERGEN SHRIMP IGE	<0.10
ALLERGEN TUNA IGE	0.20



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## Cross-Reactivity: Clinical vs Testing

Foods	Clinical Reactions	Testing
Peanut + Tree nuts	Low/none	Moderate
Tree nuts + Other tree nuts	<b>Pecan + walnut</b> <b>Cashew + pistachio</b>	High
Fish + Shellfish	Low/none	Low/none
Fish + Other fish	<b>High</b>	High
Shellfish + Other shellfish	<b>High</b>	High
Peanut + soy	Low/none	High
Wheat + grains	Low/none	High
Cow's milk + goat/sheep's milk	<b>High</b>	High

Sampson HA, et al. JACI. 2014;134(5).

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## Aeroallergen Cross Reactivity

Aeroallergen	Food
Dust mite Cockroach	Shellfish
Birch tree pollen	Peanut Fruits Soy
Grass pollen	Wheat
Tree pollen	Tree nuts

Sampson HA, et al. JACI. 2014;134(5).

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## Testing Does Not Predict Severity of Reactions

- 19 year old college sophomore
- Seeking 2<sup>nd</sup> opinion as previous allergist retired
- Seeking OIT for peanut
- “I’m deathly allergic to peanuts”

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## Peanut/Tree Nut Component Testing

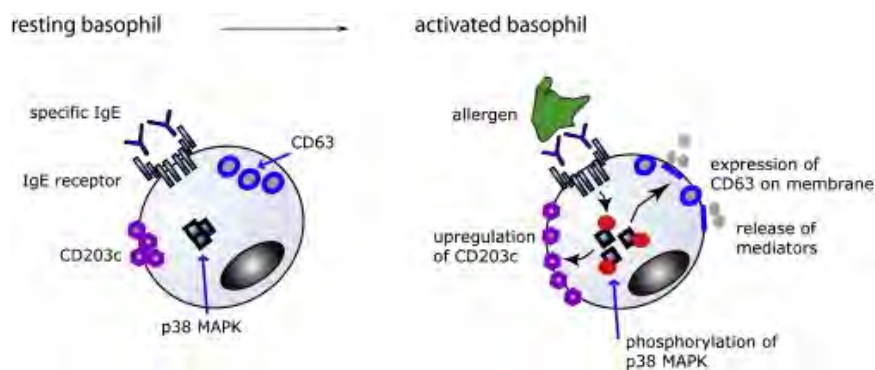
- Predictive capabilities vary according to population background

Nut	Antigens Associated with Clinical Allergy
Peanut	Ara h 1, 2, 3
Hazelnut	Cor a 9, Cor a 14
Cashew	Ana o 3
Walnut	Jug r 1
Pecan	Car l 1, Car l 2
Pistachio	Pis v 1, Pis v 2

BSACI guideline for the diagnosis and management of peanut and tree nut allergy. Clin & Exp Allergy. 2017;47:719-39.

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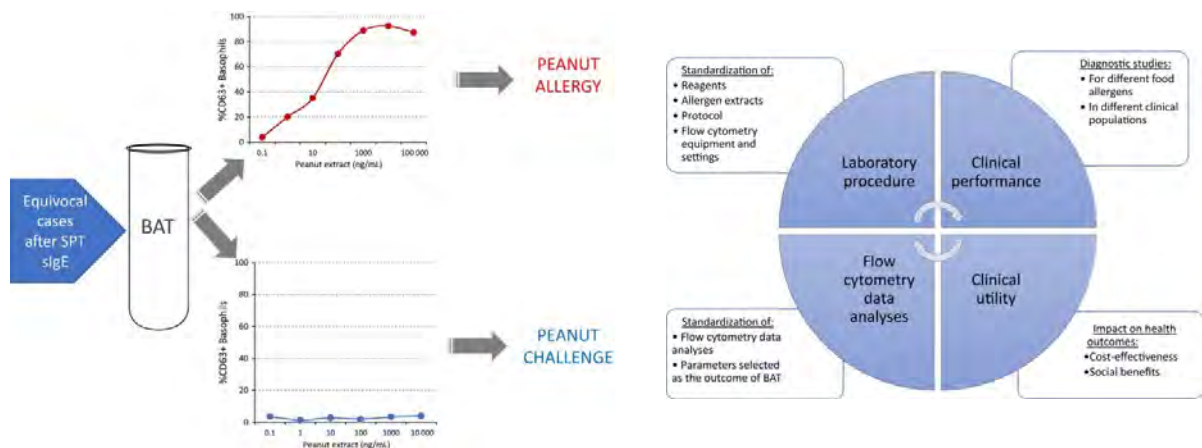
## Basophil Activation Testing



Hausmann OV, et al. Immunology and Allergy Clinics. 2009;29(3):555-566.

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## BAT as 2<sup>nd</sup> Line Test



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## Epitope Mapping for Peanut Allergy

**Results:** In the validation using CoFAR2 and POISED cohorts, the peanut BBEA diagnostic test correctly diagnosed 93% of the subjects, with a sensitivity of 92%, specificity of 94%, a positive predictive value of 91%, and negative predictive value of 95%.

**Conclusions:** In validation of the peanut BBEA diagnostic test, the overall accuracy was found to be superior to existing diagnostic tests for peanut allergy including skin prick testing, peanut sIgE, and peanut component sIgE testing.

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# It Always Comes Back to Ingestion



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## Safety of Oral Food Challenges

- Akuete et al determined OFCs are much safer than previously thought<sup>1</sup>
  - 6,377 OFCs from 2008-2013
  - **86% patients challenged w/o reaction**
  - **Only 2% required epinephrine**
  - **98% of OFCs completed without anaphylaxis**
- Stark contrast to previous studies
  - Epinephrine use during OFC 6-33%<sup>1-6</sup>
- Late-phase & biphasic reactions after OFCs are rare
  - 1.5-4% in previously published studies<sup>7,8</sup>
- 2 known fatalities since description of modern OFC procedure published in 1976

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## Safety with Infants/Toddlers

- Body of evidence demonstrates safety and efficacy in children <18 months
- Most reactions are mild and cutaneous
  - Low rate of anaphylaxis
  - Epinephrine rarely needed

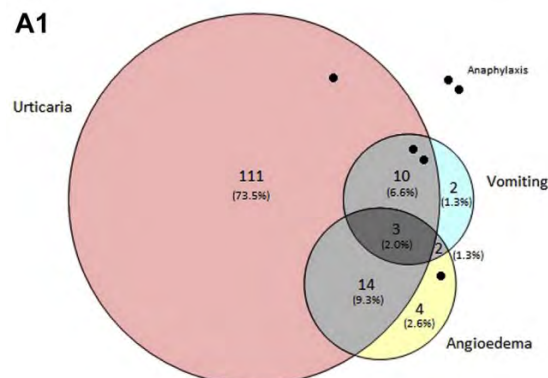


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## HealthNuts Food Challenges

- 598 peanut challenges at 1 year of age



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# Which Infants Should We Challenge?

- Anyone with a ~50% chance of not having symptoms
- OR...any family that wishes to better understand their child's allergic potential

TABLE II. Tests to assess the likelihood of obtaining a positive or negative OFC in children

Food	Serum food-IgE (kIU/L)*		SPT wheal (mm)*	
	~95% Positive	~50% Negative†	~95% Positive	~50% Negative
Cow's milk	$\geq 15^{16}$ $\geq 5$ if younger than 1 year <sup>132</sup>	$\leq 2^{23}$	$\geq 8^{21}$	
Egg white	$\geq 7^{16}$ $\geq 2$ if younger than 2 years <sup>133</sup>	$\leq 2^{23}$	$\geq 7^{21}$	$\leq 3^{22}$
Peanut	$\geq 14^{16}$	$\leq 2$ with and $\leq 5$ without history of peanut reaction <sup>24</sup>	$\geq 8^{17,21}$	$\leq 3^{17}$
Fish	$\geq 20^{16}$			

Nowak-Węgrzyn A, Assa'ad AH, Bahna SL, et al. Work Group report: oral food challenge testing. J Allergy Clin Immunol 2009;123:S365-83.

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## Risk Assessment for OFCs

### Low Risk of Reaction

1. Recent accidental ingestion to small amount of food without clinical symptoms
2. Favorable test results

### High Risk of Reaction

1. Recent reaction to the food in the past 6-12 mo
2. Diagnostic or high-positive test results

### Low Risk of Severe Reaction

1. No past severe reactions
2. Food not usually implicated in severe food-induced anaphylaxis (eg, meat, fruit, vegetable)
3. No asthma

### High Risk of Severe Reaction

1. Past severe reaction
2. Severe reaction to trace amounts of food
3. Food frequently implicated in fatal and near-fatal food-induced anaphylaxis (eg, peanut, tree nuts, fish, shellfish, seeds)
4. Asthma (regardless of severity)
5. Conditions that may affect the resuscitation: cardiovascular disease, difficult vascular access or intubation,  $\beta$ -blocker medication

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## Day of: Reasons to Reschedule

**TABLE I.** Reasons to reschedule or delay an OFC

Consider postponing the OFC if the patient has any of the following:

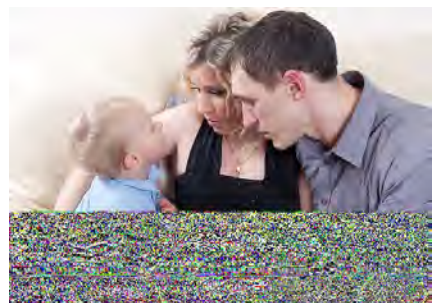
- Concurrent illness, fever, or active respiratory symptoms (ie, wheeze or cough)
- Used a short-acting  $\beta$ -agonist within the preceding 48 h for cough or wheeze
- Poorly controlled asthma, AD, or allergic rhinitis
- Unstable cardiovascular disease
- Pregnancy
- Beta-blocker therapy
- Patient has not discontinued medications as outlined in Tables II and III

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## Conversations with the Family

- Why pursue the oral challenge?
- Risks
- Benefits
- Likely outcome
- Possible outcome
- Are they willing to keep in the diet after the challenge?
  - 25% do NOT



Eigenmann PA, et al. Pediatr Allergy Immunol. 2006 Dec;17(8):601-5.

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## Risks of Unsuccessful Challenge

- Acute allergic reaction
- Anaphylaxis
- Emotional distress
- Anxiety

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## Benefits of Unsuccessful Challenge

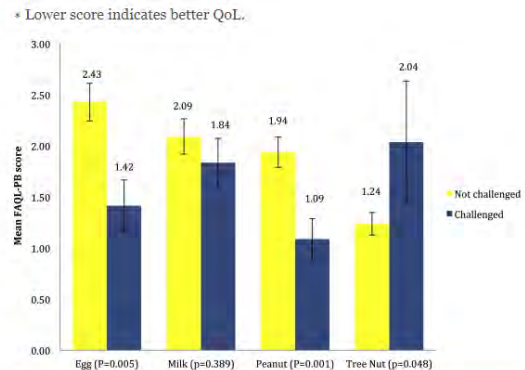
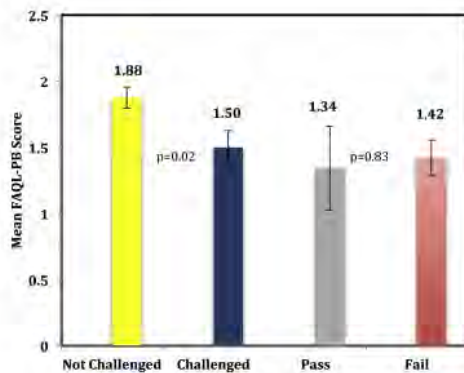
- Demonstration of signs/symptoms of allergic reaction
- Demonstration of possible threshold/reactive dose
- Demonstration of rapid response to therapy
  - Have the parents administer epinephrine
- Decreased anxiety
- Decreased dietary restrictions
  - Precautionary labeling
  - Dining out
  - Particularly powerful when families have imposed severe restrictions

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# Benefits of Unsuccessful Challenge

- Quality of life improves after a challenge



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# Benefits of a Successful Challenge

- Life altering
- Improved quality of life



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## Tips for a Successful Day

- Discuss and REPEAT what day entails
- Address anxiety and potential scenarios before feeding
- Distraction, distraction, distraction
- Have families bring food, snacks, utensils, sippy cups
- Stock vehicles and masking agents in your office

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## Rate Limiting Step is ALWAYS Desire to Eat

- Offer choices
- Limit stress, act casual when refusal occurs
- Toddlers are always in charge
- Be prepared to not achieve desired amount of protein
- There is no absolute protocol to follow

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TABLE V. Age-appropriate portion sizes for open OFC

Allergen	Food	Protein content per serving size	Age				
			4-11 mo	1-3 y	4-8 y	9-18 y	19+ y
Egg	French toast (1 egg per 1 slice of bread) <sup>1</sup>	8 g if made with 1 large egg	1/2-1 slice	1/2-1 slice	1 slice	1-2 slices	1-2 slices
	Hard-boiled or scrambled egg	6 g/1 large egg	1/2-1 egg	1/2-1 egg	1 egg	1-2 eggs	1-2 eggs
Fish	Cooked fish <sup>2</sup>	6 g/1 oz	1/2-1 oz	1 oz	1 oz	2-3 oz	3-4 oz
Grains	Cooked cereal	5 g per 1/4 cup dry (oatmeal or Cream of Wheat)	1/4 cup	1/4 cup	1/4-1/2 cup	1/2-1 cup	1/2-1 cup
	Cooked pasta/rice	3 g per 1/2 cup	1/4 cup	1/4 cup	1/2-1/2 cup	1/2-1 cup	1/2-1 cup
	Infant cereal	1-2 g per 1/4 cup	1/4-1/2 cup	1/4-1/2 cup			
	Muffin or roll bread <sup>3</sup>	4-6 g/muffin or roll	1/4-1/2 piece	1/2 piece	1/2-1 piece	1 piece	1 piece
	Ready-to-eat cereal	2-6 g/1 cup	1/4-1/2 cup	1/4-1/2 cup	1/4-1 cup	1/2-1 cup	1/2-1 cup
	Slice bread	2-4 g/slice	1/4-1/2 slice	1/2 slice	1/2-1 slice	1-2 slices	2 slices
Milk	Infant formula	2-3 g/5 oz	4-8 oz				
	Milk	8 g/8 oz		4-8 oz	4-8 oz	8 oz	8 oz
	Cottage cheese	10-14 g/4 oz	1/4-1/2 cup	1/4-1/2 cup	1/2-1 cup	1 cup	1 cup
	Hard cheese	6-8 g/1 oz	1/4-1/2 oz	1/2 oz	1 oz	1 1/2 oz	1 1/2 oz
	Yogurt (NOT Greek style)	8 g/8 oz	1/4-1/2 cup	1/4-1/2 cup	1/2-1 cup	1/2-1 cup	1/2-1 cup
	Peanut (whole)	2 g/1-8 peanuts			16 pieces	16 pieces	16 pieces
Peanut	Peanut butter	3 g/1 tbsp	1 rounded tsp/1	1-2 tbsp	1-2 tbsp	2 tbsp	2 tbsp
	Peanut flour or peanut butter powder	3 g/1 tbsp original or 2.25 g/1 tbsp chocolate flavor	1 rounded tsp/1	1-2 tbsp	1-2 tbsp	2 tbsp	2 tbsp
	Peanut/chocolate candy cups (full-size)	0.875 g/1 cup		1-2 candy cups	1-2 candy cups	2-3 candy cups	2-3 candy cups
	Shellfish	5 g/1 oz	1/2-1 oz	1 oz	1 oz	2-3 oz	3-4 oz
Soy/legumes	Infant formula	2-3 g/5 oz	4-8 oz				
	Soy beverage	7 g/8 oz		4-8 oz	4-8 oz	8 oz	8 oz
	Cooked lentils (kidney, black, chickpeas, lentils)	7-9 g per 1/2 cup	1/4-1/2 cup	1/4 cup	1/2-1/2 cup	1/2-1 cup	1 cup
	Tofu	8 g/4 oz Firm tofu	1/2-1 oz	1 oz	1 oz	2-3 oz	3-4 oz
Tree nut	Yogurt	5 g/6 oz	1/4-1/2 cup	1/4-1/2 cup	1/2-1 cup	1 cup	1 cup
	Almond	3 g/11 whole nuts			11 pieces	11 pieces	11 pieces
	Almond butter (Barney butter brand)	3 g/1 tbsp	1 tbsp	1-2 tbsp	1-2 tbsp	1-2 tbsp	1-2 tbsp
	Brazil nut	3 g/4.5 nuts			4 1/2 pieces	4 1/2 pieces	4 1/2 pieces
	Cashew	3 g/10 whole nuts			10 pieces	10 pieces	10 pieces
	Cocconut flour	3 g/1 tbsp	1 tbsp	1-2 tbsp	1-2 tbsp	2-3 tbsp	2-3 tbsp
	Cocconut milk	3 g/3 oz		3 oz	3 oz	4-8 oz	4-8 oz
	Hazelnut	3 g/3 tbsp hazelnuts or hazelnut meal			3 tbsp	3 tbsp	3 tbsp
	Pecan (halves)	3 g/25 halves			10-25 halves	25 halves	25 halves
	Pine nuts	3.5 g/3 tbsp pine nuts			3 tbsp	3-4 tbsp	4 tbsp
	Pistachio	3 g/20 whole nuts			20 pieces	20 pieces	20 pieces
	Walnut (halves)	3 g/10 halves			10 halves	10 halves	10 halves

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## Multiple Tree Nut Challenges

- “Tree Nut allergy” is not a diagnosis
- Peanut + tree nuts (any) = no clinical cross reactivity
- Cashew + pistachio = HIGH cross reactivity
- Walnut + pecan + hazelnut = HIGH cross reactivity

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## At Home Challenges

- Can consider when risk is low
  - Age
  - Prior history
  - Recent IgE results
  - Type of food
- Telemedicine visits???

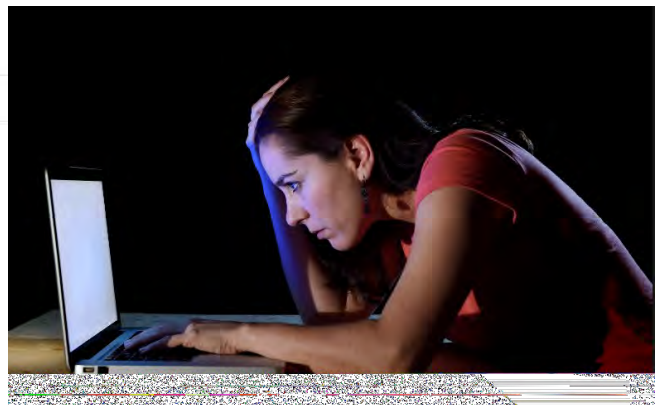
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## High Risk Challenges, aka “Exposure Therapy”

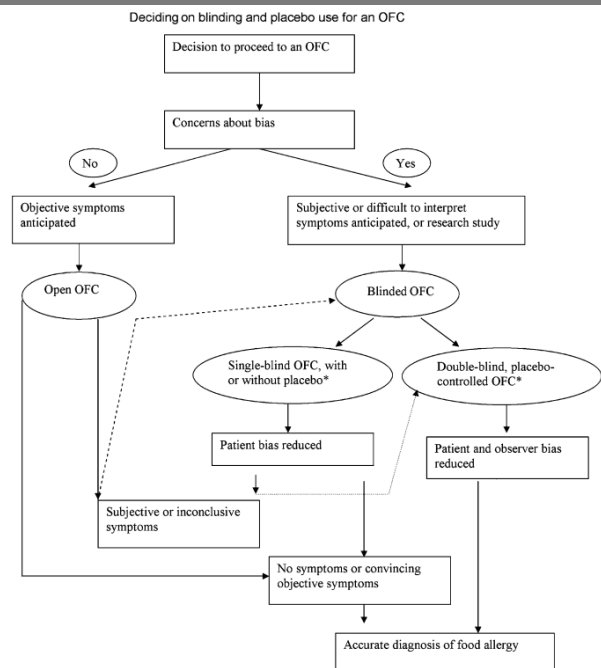
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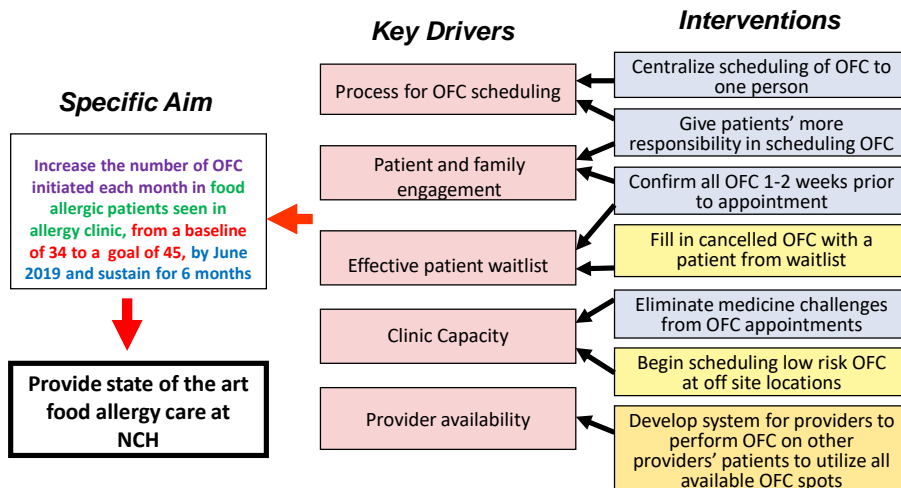
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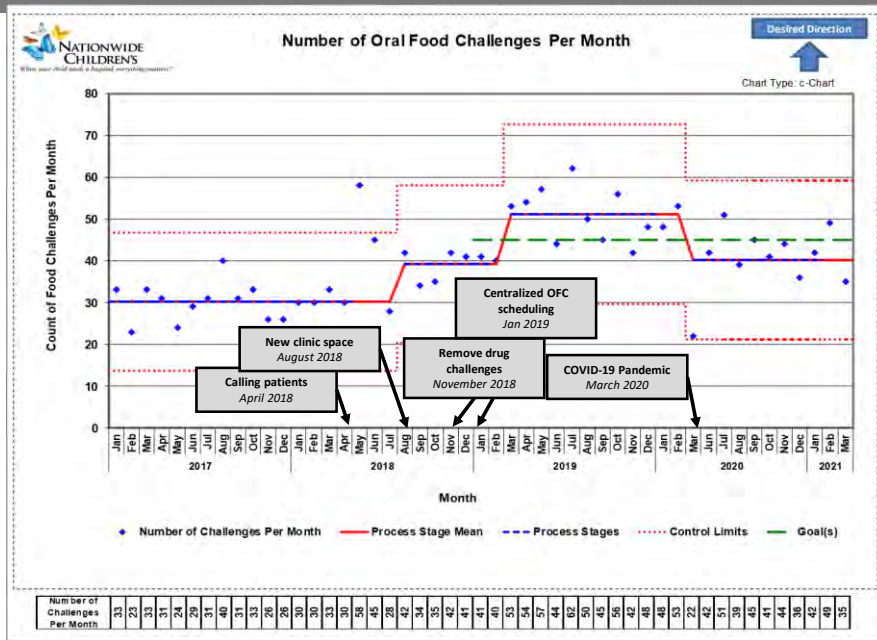


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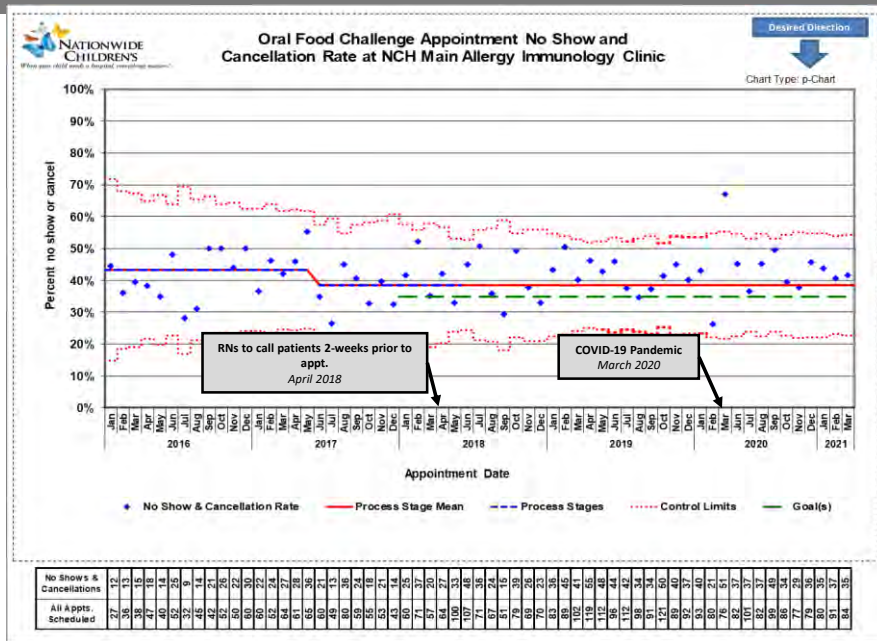
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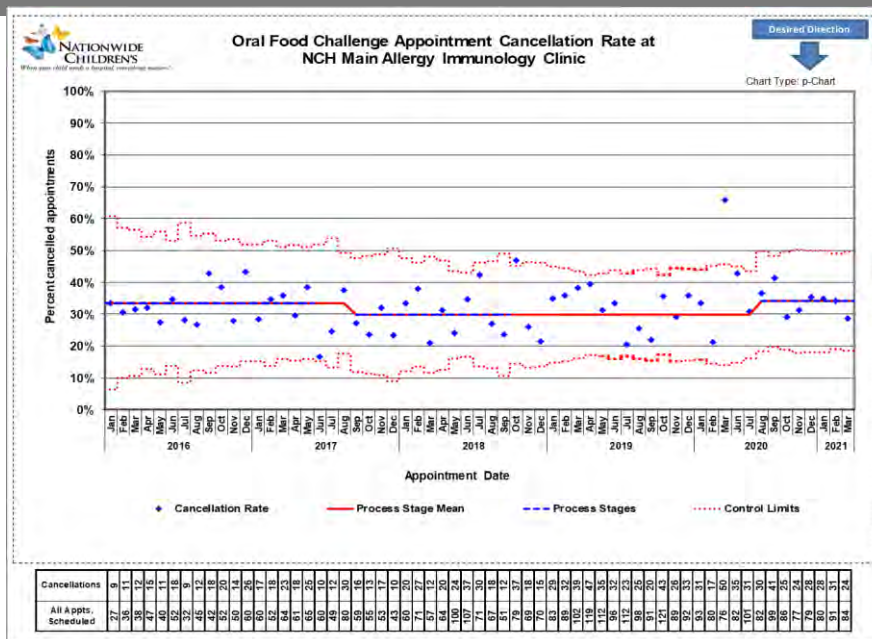
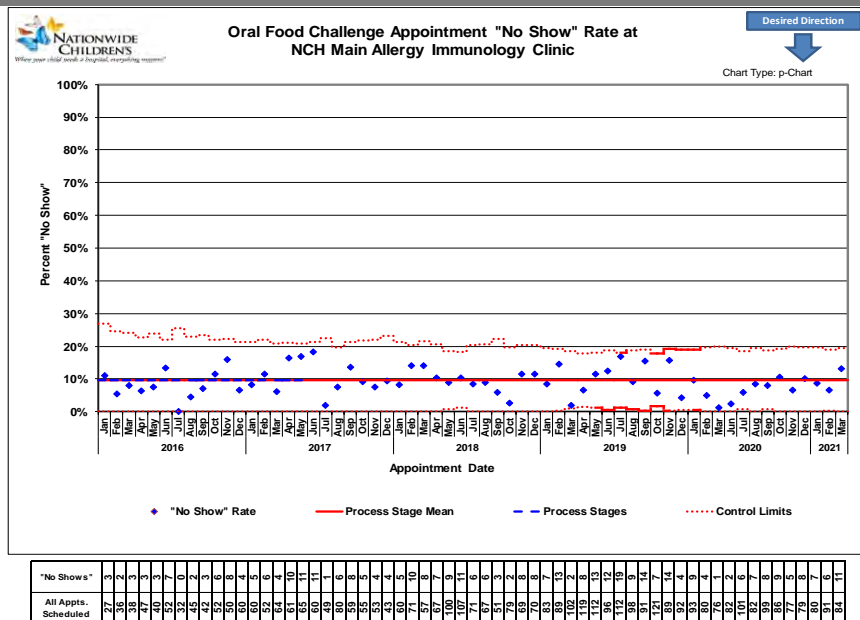
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## Our Mission



Provide a comprehensive center dedicated to evidence based and personalized food allergy management for individual families, our community, and beyond.

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Hi - would you mind if one of our media folks from the hospital reached out to you? Please let me know if it's ever too much!!!  
Thanks - hope all is well

May 8, 2019, 10:04 AM ✓

Of course not! It'll never be too much. My hope is that more doctors will perform oral challenges and more parents will feel comfortable doing them. 😊

Thanks for all you do!

May 8, 2019, 10:16 AM

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## Final Thoughts

- Oral food challenges offer a mechanism for families and patients to gain any semblance of control over a condition that is filled with uncertainty
- The information obtained is VALUABLE
- We can help our patients by giving them information, confidence, and experience

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# Thank You

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