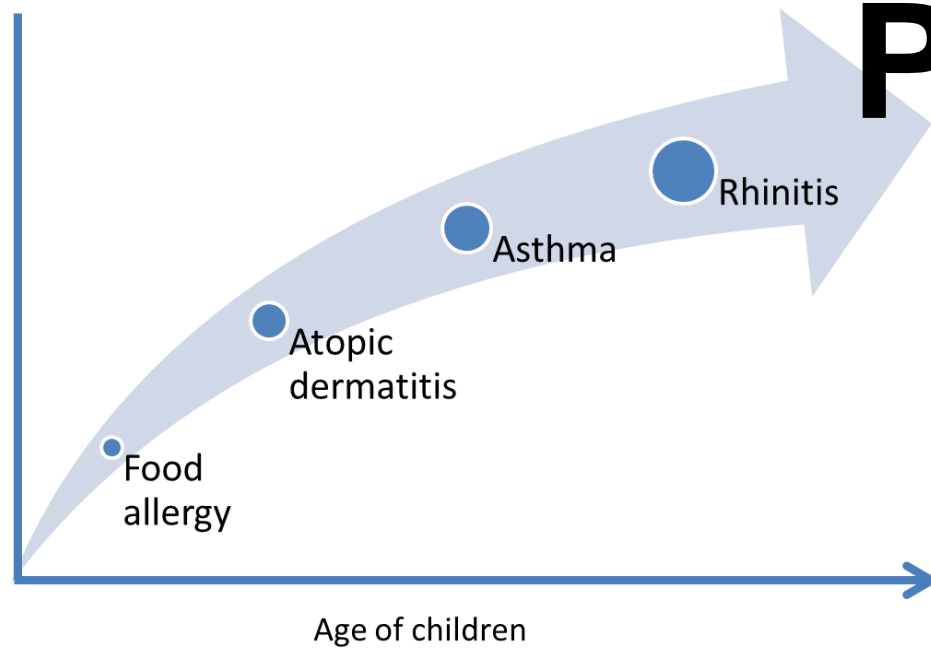


# Food Allergy, Current Problems, Future Perspectives



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# FOOD ALLERGIES



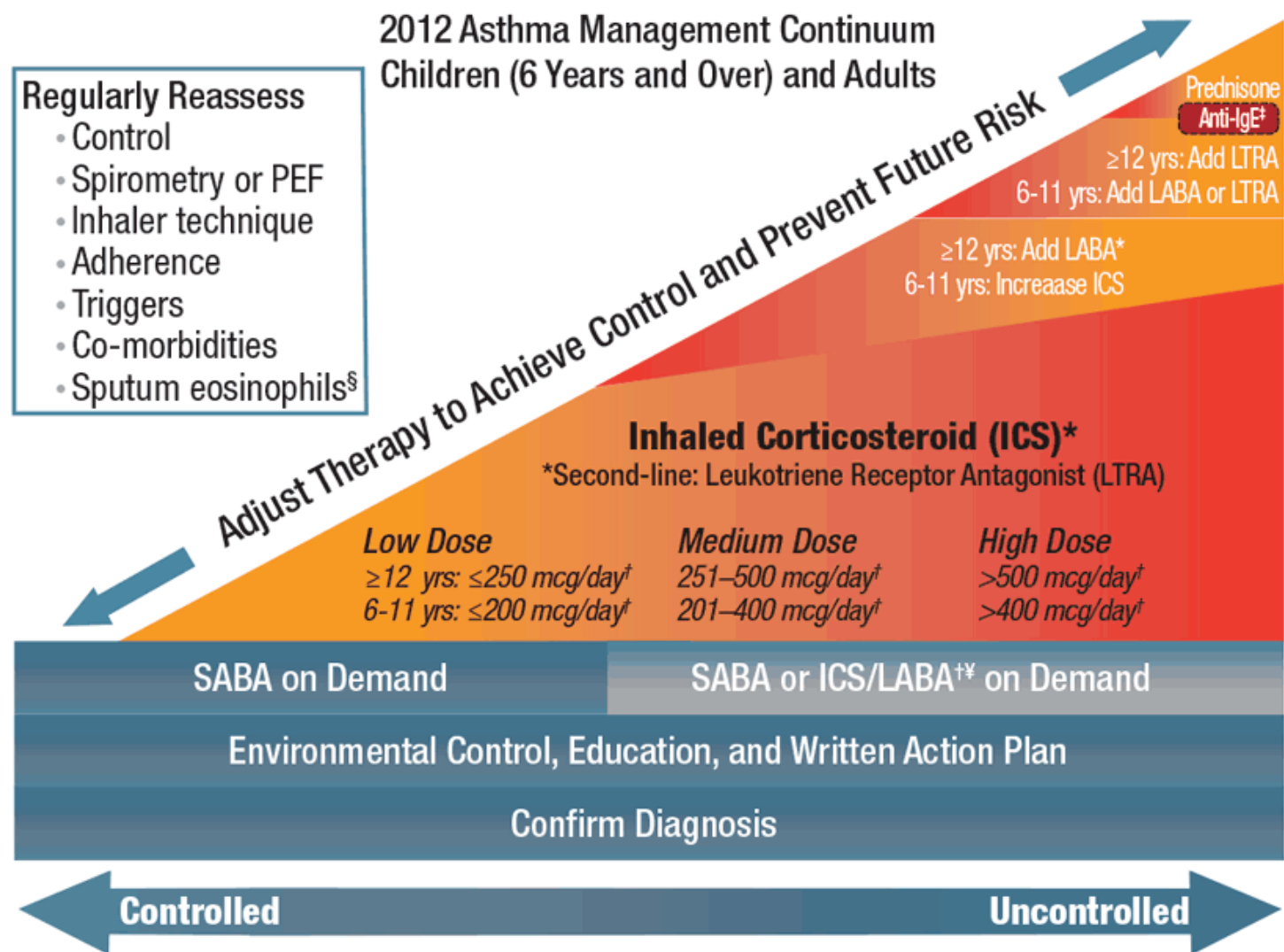
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**FIGURE 1.**

# **ASTHMA MANAGEMENT CONTINUUM**



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

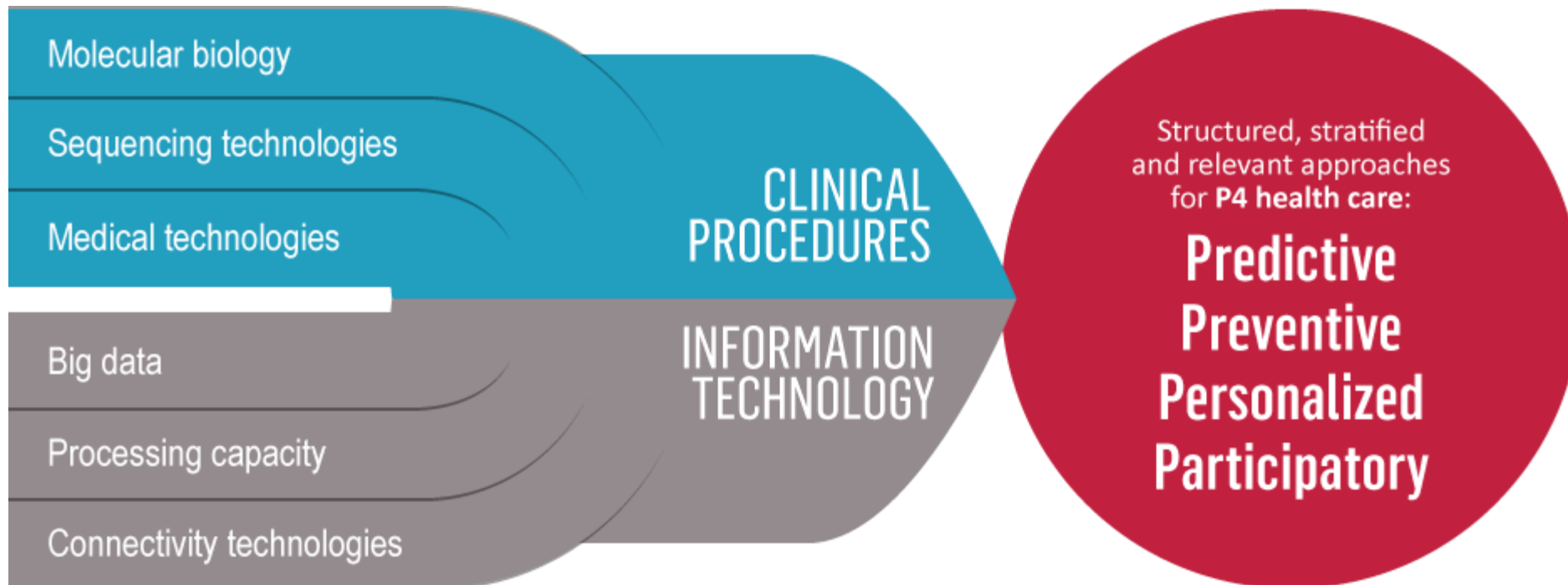
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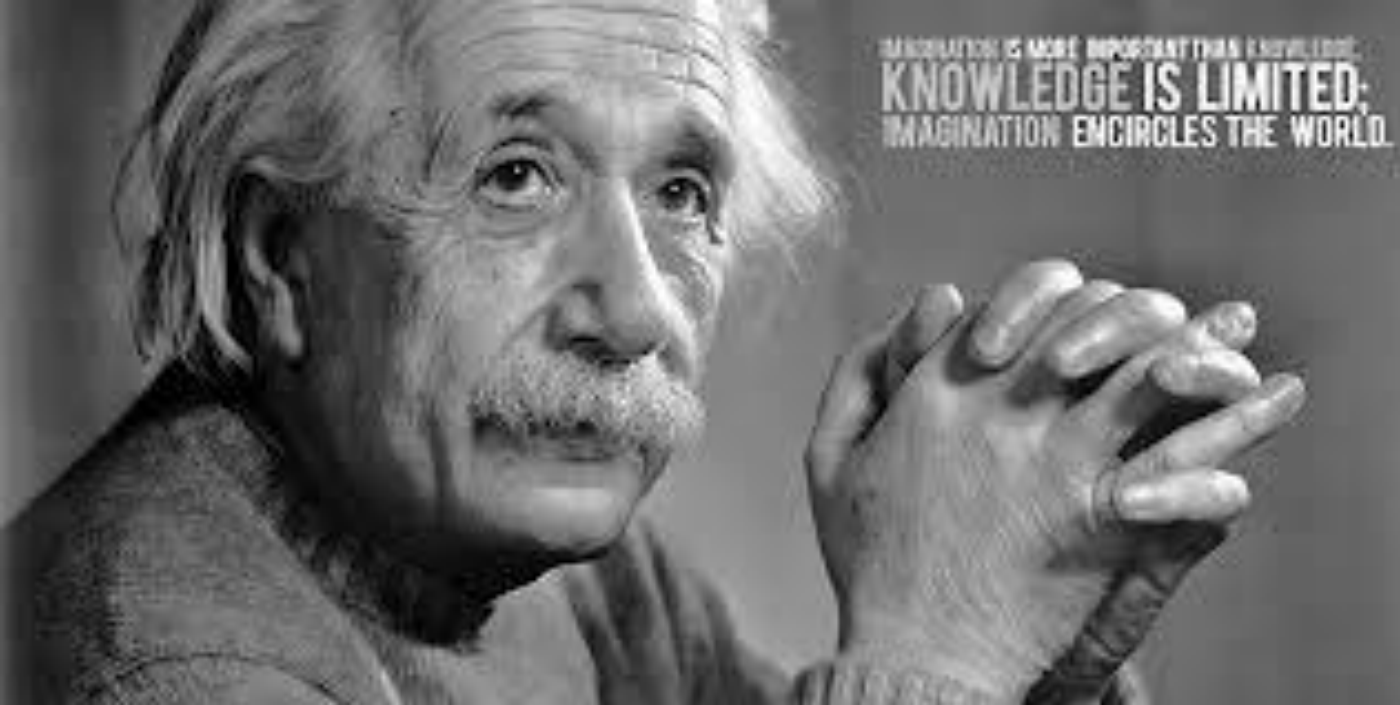
<sup>§</sup>In adults 18 years and over with moderate to severe asthma.

# P4 Medicine: A Change of View that Changes Everything

*Leroy E. Hood, Institute for Systems Biology*

- P4 Medicine is a term coined by biologist Leroy Hood, and is short for "**Predictive, Preventive, Personalized, and Participatory Medicine.**"





***Albert Einstein***


***“To raise new questions, new possibilities, to regard old problems from a new angle, requires creative imagination and marks real advance in science”.***

***“Imagination is more important than knowledge”.***

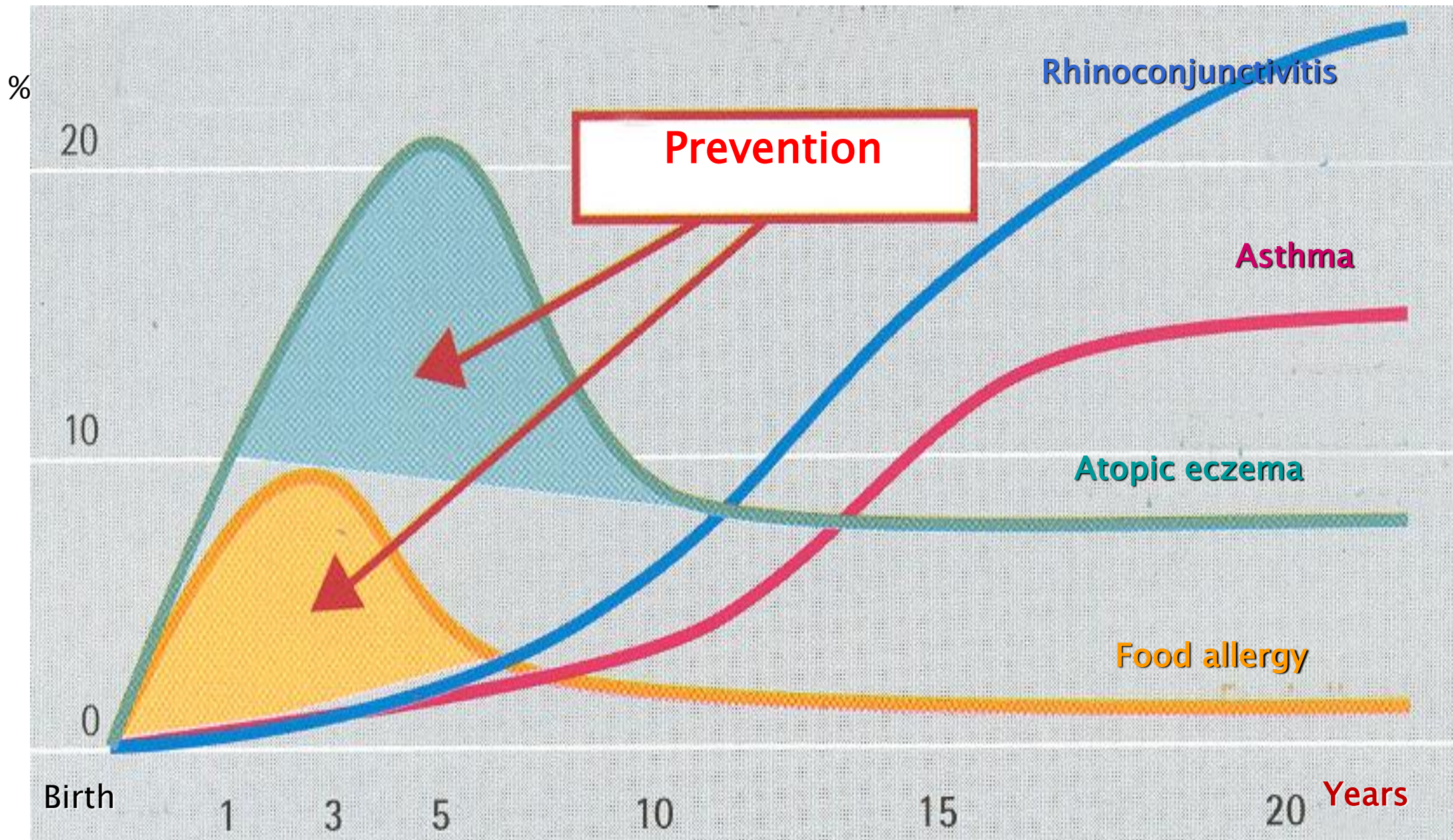
# ATOPY

— Atopy is the genetic predilection to produce specific IgE following exposure to allergens. At a cellular level, atopy appears to result, in part, from a predisposition toward a certain response on the part of CD4+ T helper cells, called a **Th type 2 (Th2) response** [Borish L. Allergic rhinitis: systemic inflammation and implications for management. J Allergy Clin Immunol 2003; 112:1021.]. **Th2 cells secrete large quantities of IL-4 and IL-13, which promote the production of allergen-specific IgE by plasma cells.**

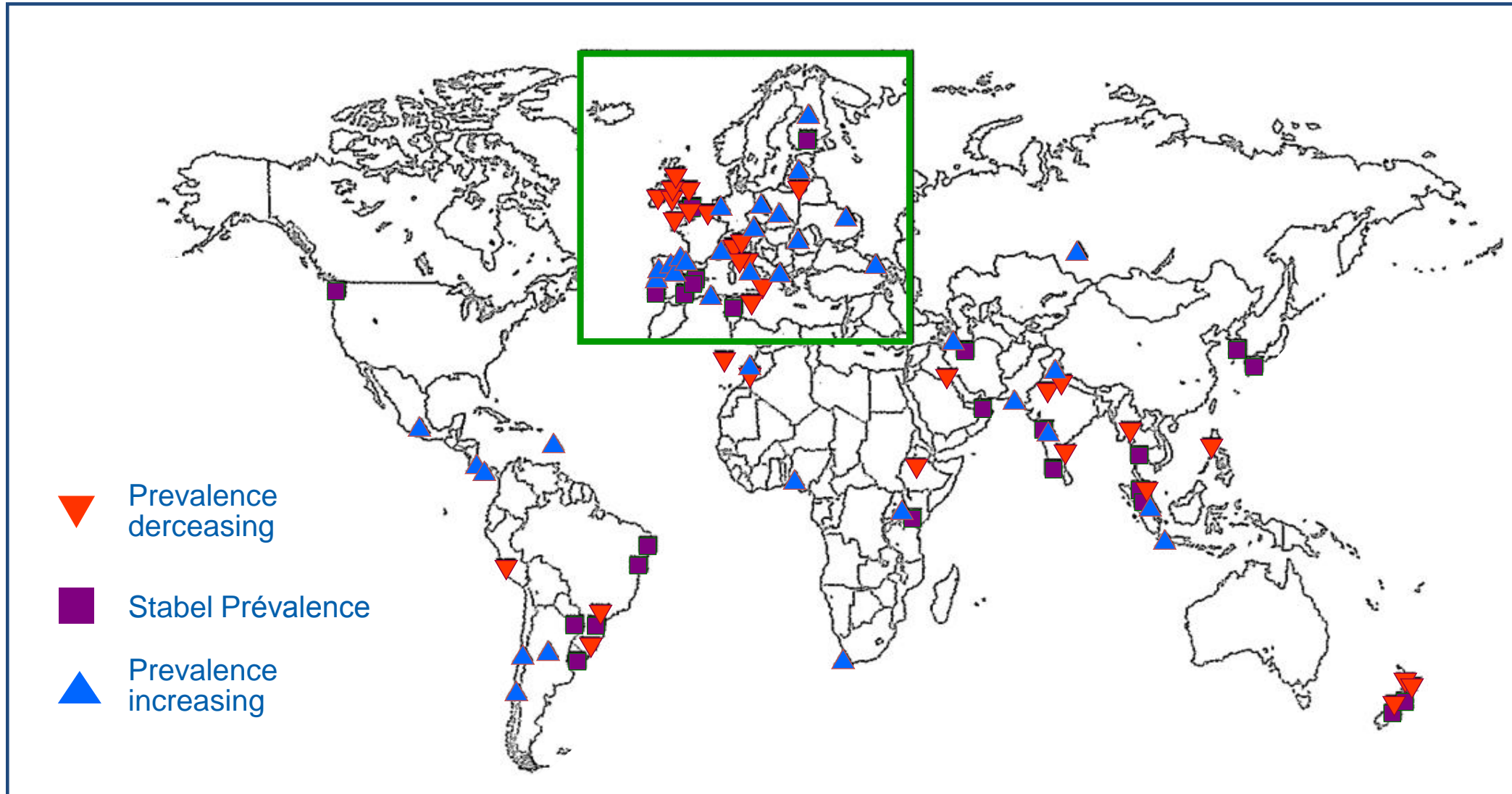
**Table 2. Gell And Coombs Classification  
Schema Of Hypersensitivity Reactions**



<b>Classification</b>	<b>Effector Mechanism</b>	<b>Typical Clinical Manifestations</b>
<b>Type I</b> <i>Immediate</i>	IgE	Anaphylaxis, angioedema, urticaria
<b>Type II</b> <i>Cytotoxic</i>	IgM, IgG, complement, phagocytosis	Cytopenia, nephritis
<b>Type III</b> <i>Immune Complex</i>	IgM, IgG, complement, precipitins	Serum sickness, vasculitis
<b>Type IV</b> <i>Delayed</i>	T-Lymphocytes	Contact dermatitis
<b>Other</b> <i>Idiopathic</i>	Varies	Non-specific rash



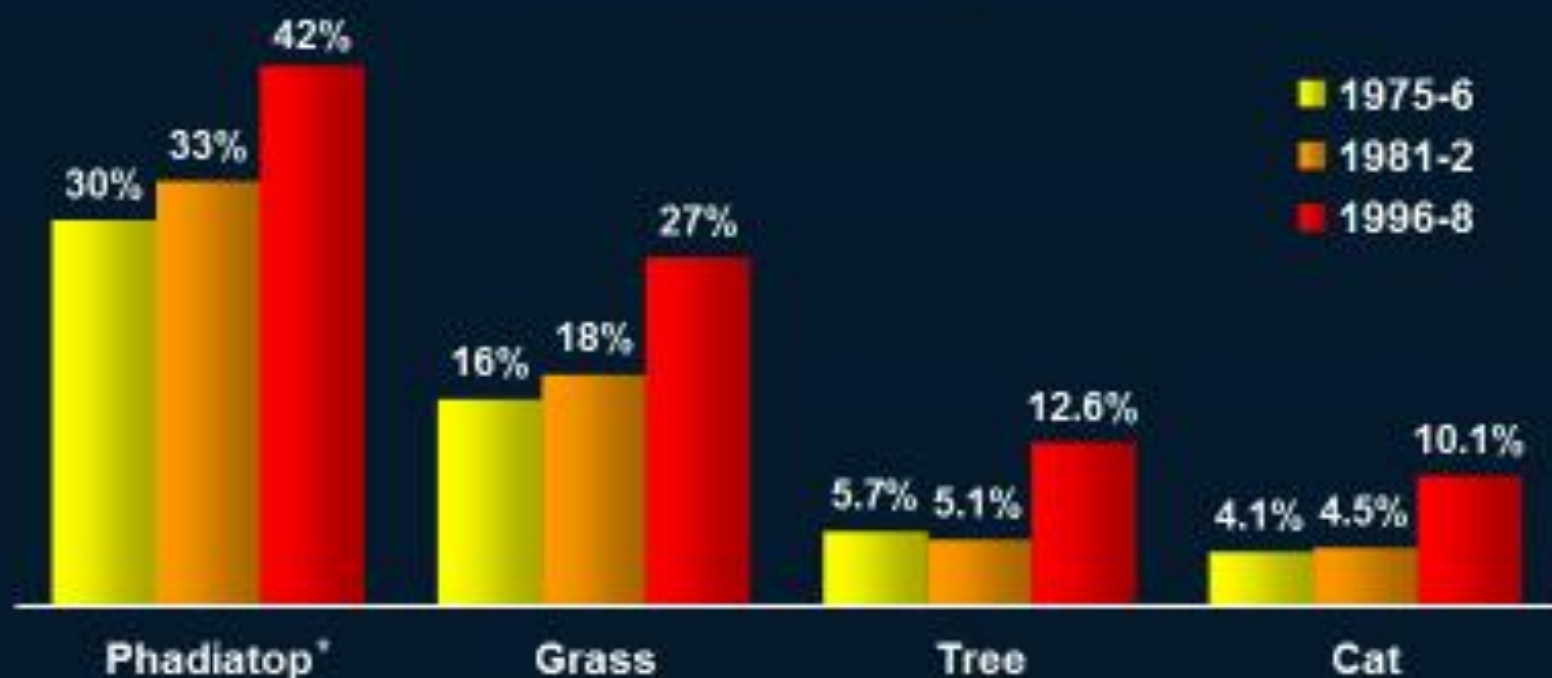
# Allergy Prevalence is globally increasing all over the world



# Allergy Prevalence Is Increasing in Older Age Groups



Proportion of men aged 40-64 years with IgE reactivity to various antigens

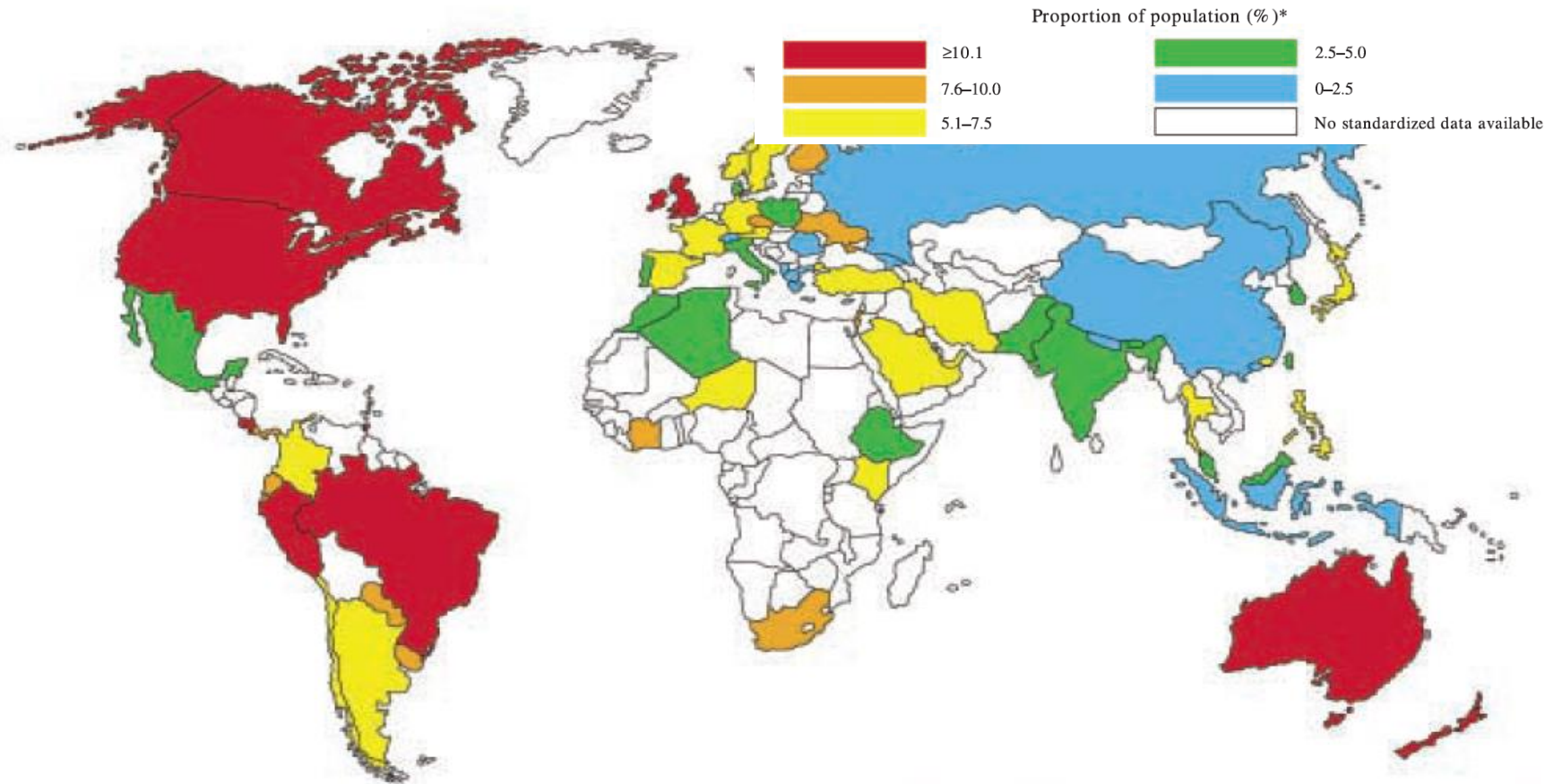


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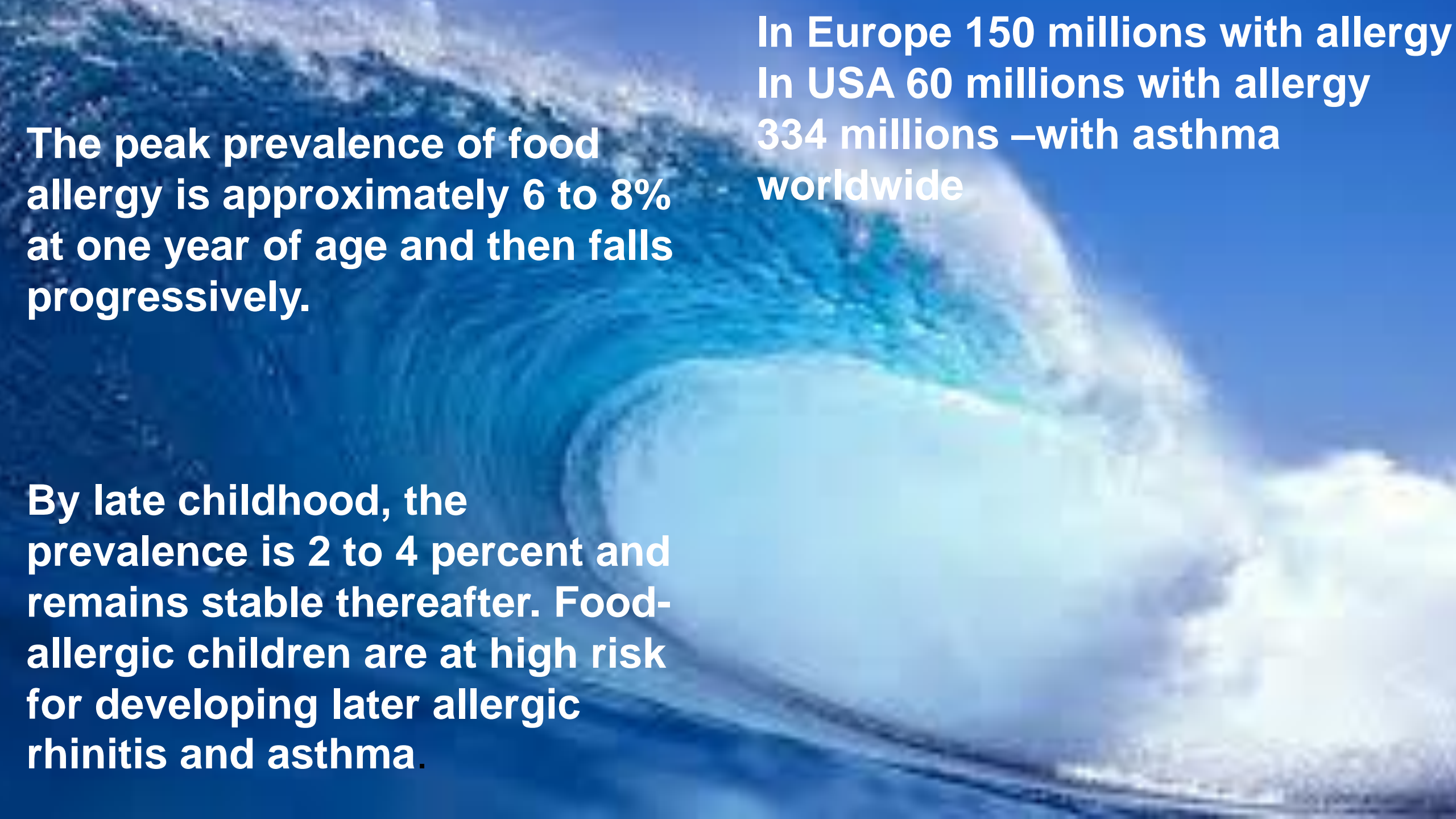
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# Prevalence of clinical asthma



In this report an arbitrary figure of 50% of the prevalence of 'current wheezing' in children (self-reported wheezing in the previous 12-month period in 13- to 14-year old children) has been used as the prevalence of 'clinical asthma'. The prevalence rates for 'clinical asthma' reported in this report represent a conservative estimate. Data from: International Study of Asthma and Allergies in Childhood (ISAAC) and the European Community Respiratory Health Survey (ECRHS).



**The peak prevalence of food allergy is approximately 6 to 8% at one year of age and then falls progressively.**

**By late childhood, the prevalence is 2 to 4 percent and remains stable thereafter. Food-allergic children are at high risk for developing later allergic rhinitis and asthma.**

**In Europe 150 millions with allergy  
In USA 60 millions with allergy  
334 millions –with asthma  
worldwide**

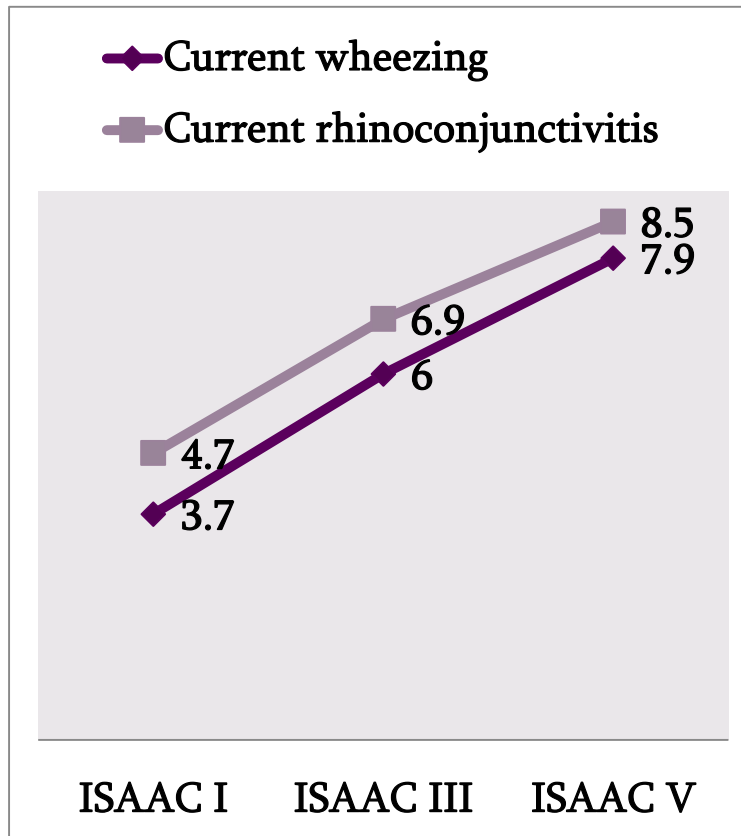
# ISAAC study in Georgia

	<i>ISAAC I</i>	<i>ISAAC II</i>	<i>ISAAC III</i>	<i>ISAAC V*</i>
Study population	13 516	1 036	11 655	11 095
Study centers	Tbilisi Kutaisi	Tbilisi	Tbilisi Kutaisi	Tbilisi Kutaisi
Age group	13 -14 yrs 6-7 yrs	10-12 yrs	13 -14 yrs 6-7 yrs	13 -14 yrs 6-7 yrs
Current wheezing	3.6% 7.6%	9.2%	5.6% 7.8%	7.3% 11.2%
Current rhinoconjunctivitis	4.6% 3.3%	7.0%	5.7% 2.5%	5.7% 7.1%
Itchy rash past year	4.1% 5.7%	6.2%	4.3% 4.7%	3.8% 4.2%

# Time trends of prevalence - Tbilisi

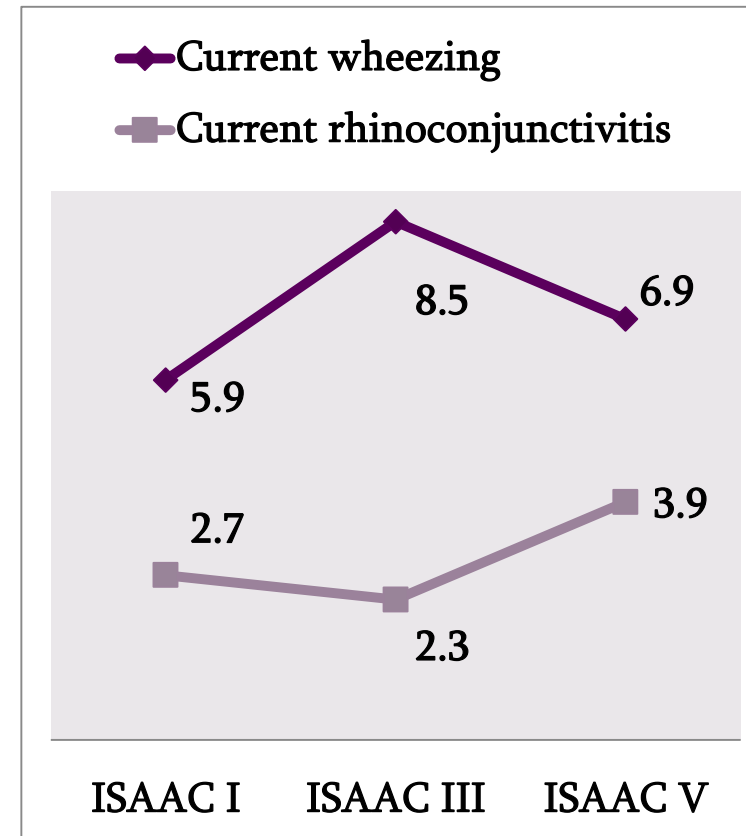
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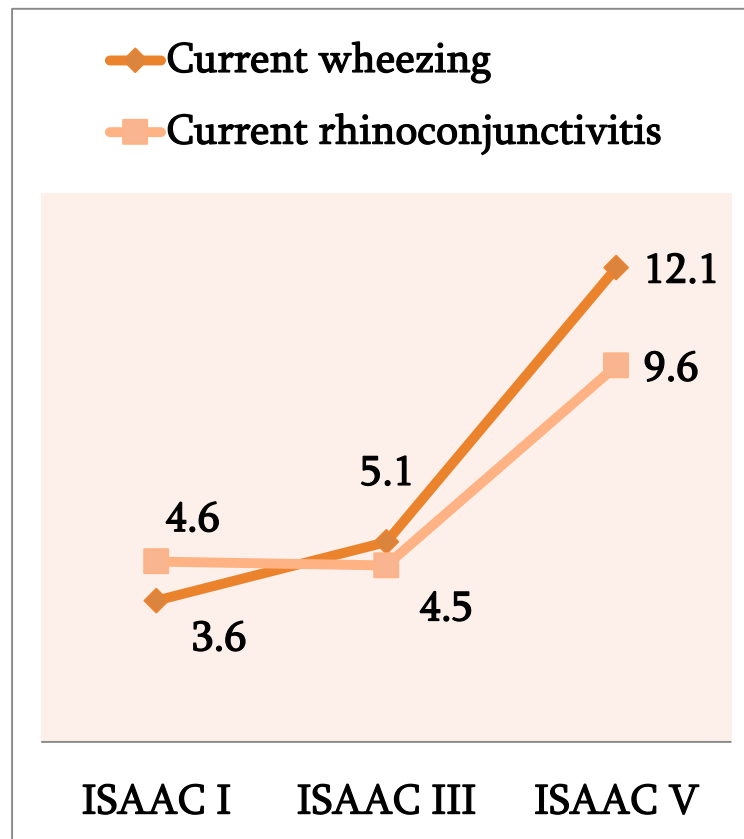
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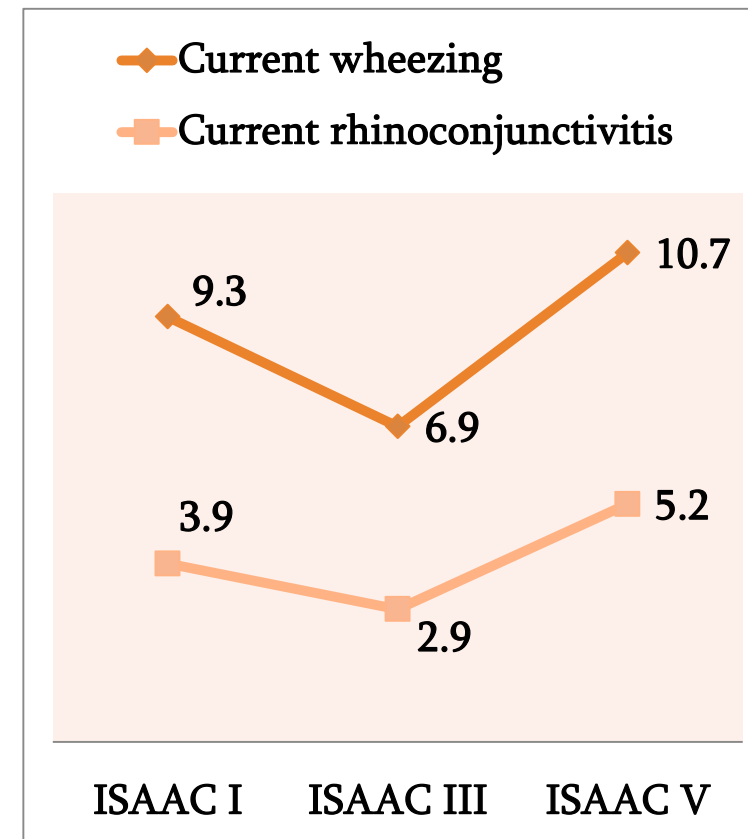
## ISAAC – Kutaisi

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## ISAAC – Kutaisi

(group 6-7)



# Environmental Risk Factors Contributing to Allergic Symptoms among Georgian Schoolchildren (ISAAC V Kutaisi data)

## Asthma symptoms:

family history of allergy [OR 2.3; (95% CI, 1.9-2.8)];

food allergy [OR 3.0; (95% CI, 2.5-3.7)];

drug allergy [OR 1.8; (95% CI, 1.4-2.4)],

mother smoking at present [OR 2.2; (95% CI, 1.3-3.6)],

cat exposure at present [OR 1.4; (95% CI, 1.1-1.7)];

consumption of cereal three times or more per week [OR 1.3; (95% CI, 1.1-1.6)].

## Rhinoconjunctivitis:

family history of allergy [OR 2.8; (95% CI, 2.3-3.6)];

food allergy [OR 2.9; (95% CI, 2.2-3.6)];

drug allergy [OR 2.8; (95% CI, 2.1-3.6)];

cat exposure at present [OR 1.5; (95% CI, 1.1-2.0)];

cooking with open fire [OR 1.75; (95% CI, 1.1-2.9)];

consumption of fast-food three times or more per week [OR 1.4; (95% CI, 1.1-1.7)].

## Diet factors (consumption more than 3 times per week)

### Asthma

Fruits [OR 0.78; (95% CI, 0.67-0.91)];

Butter [OR 0.85; (95% CI, 0.75-0.97)];

Milk [OR 0.85; (95% CI, 0.73-0.98)],

Egg [OR 0.85; (95% CI, 0.73-0.98)].

Cottage cheese [OR 0.72; (95% CI, 0.6-0.88)].

### Rhinitis

Fruits [OR 0.74; (95% CI, 0.62-0.88)];

Vegetables [OR 0.84; (95% CI, 0.71-0.98)];

Butter[OR 0.71; (95% CI, 0.61-0.83)],

Egg[OR 0.82; (95% CI, 0.68-0.98)].

Fast food [OR 1.37; (95% CI, 1.14-1.65)]

# Crude Odds Ratios and Association Between Rhinconjunctivitis Symptoms and Different Environmental Factors

	6/7 years		13/14 years	
	OR	95% CI	OR	95% CI
<i>Environmental factors</i>				
Cat past year	1.47	0.95-2.27	1.37	1.05-1.79
Dog past year	1.06	0.74-1.51	1.38	1.22-1.69
Pets first year of life	1.51	1.12-2.04		
Pets past year	1.00	0.71-1.40	1.35	1.11-1.65
Mother smoking past year	1.17	0.70-1.93	1.32	0.93-1.86
Father smoking past year	1.15	0.9-1.49	1.04	0.85-1.25
Traffic (frequently passing of trucks through the day)	1.41	1.10-1.80	1.53	1.27-1.85
<i>Other factors</i>				
Paracetamol using during last 12 months	1.50	1.08-2.07	1.26	1.02-1.55
Antibiotics during first 12 months of child	1.56	1.21-2.02		
BMI - overweight and obese	1.10	0.79-1.53	1.03	0.77-1.36
History of food allergy	3.19	2.46-4.15	2.39	1.94-2.96
History of drug allergy	2.19	1.55-3.09	2.45	1.95-3.08
Family history of allergy	3.21	2.46-4.18	2.19	1.75-2.69
<i>Sedentary behavior</i>				
Exercise 3 and more time per week	0.75	0.50-1.11	0.81	0.65-1.02
TV watching more than 5 hours	1.61	1.03-2.51	1.22	0.90-1.67
Computer working more than 5 hours	1.25	0.81-1.92	1.38	1.12-1.71

**According to experts, 1 out of every 3 children have an allergy and they expect the disease to affect more than 50% of all Europeans in 10 years' time.**

# ALLERGY



**Food allergy** is affecting the lives of **million of Europeans** and is on the rise



## Anaphylaxis

- **Food** allergies account for 35% - 50% of all cases of anaphylaxis. Fatal food anaphylaxis is most often caused by peanuts (50-62%) and tree nuts
- At least 40 people in the United States die each year as the result of **insect** stings. Life-threatening reactions to insect stings occur in 0.4% to 0.8% of children and 3% of adults.
- **Latex allergy** affects between 5% and 15% of healthcare workers, but less than 1% of the general population. Between 24% and 60% of people with spina bifida have latex allergy.
- **Anaphylactic reactions to penicillin cause 400 deaths.**
- **Between 6% and 10% of adverse drug reactions are allergic or immunologic in nature.**



# Why allergy prevalence is increasing?

Genotype: no change

- The decrease of infections and microbe exposure in the early life might be associated with the increase of allergic diseases, asthma and auto-immune disease.

## Factors on the individu (25%):

- Immunological situation
- *In utero* environment
- Event in the early life

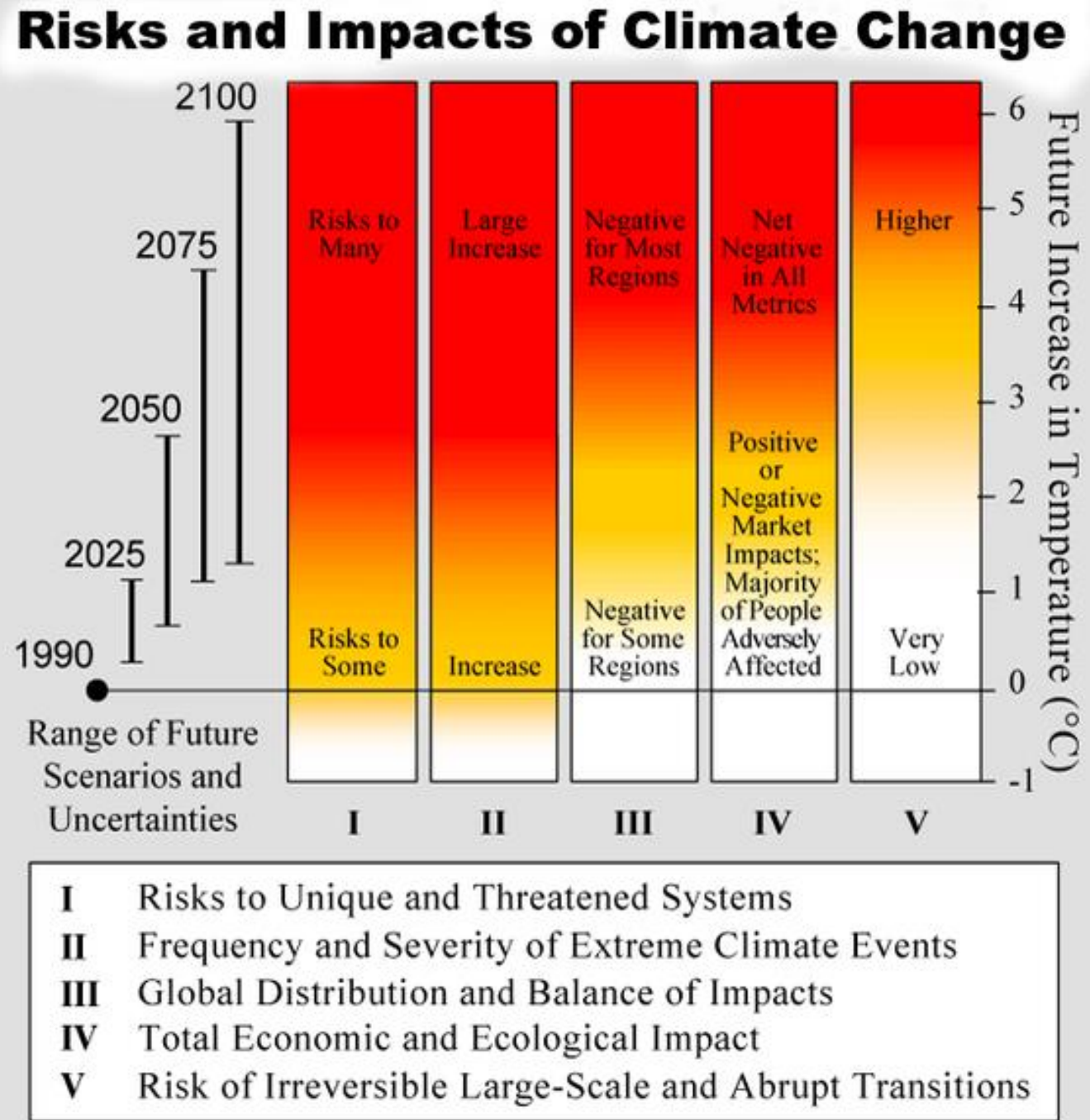
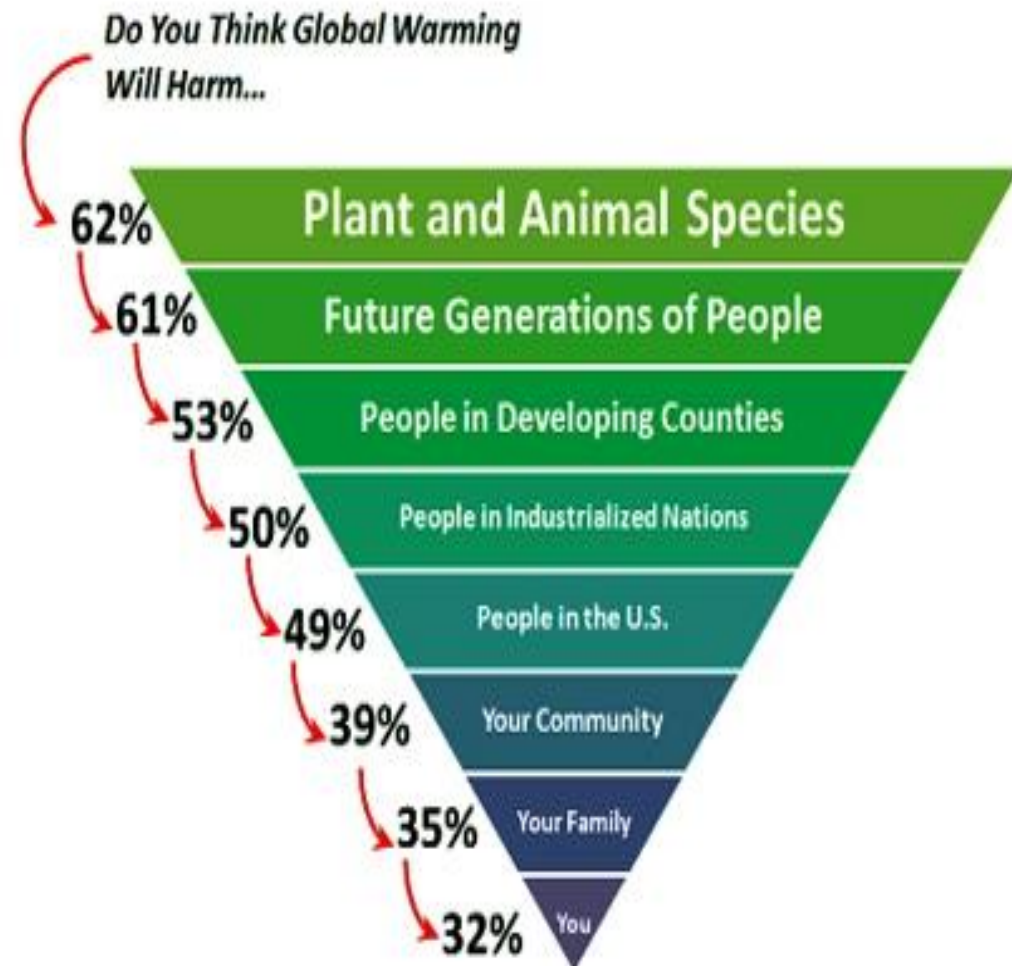


## New factors

- Allergens
- Polutions

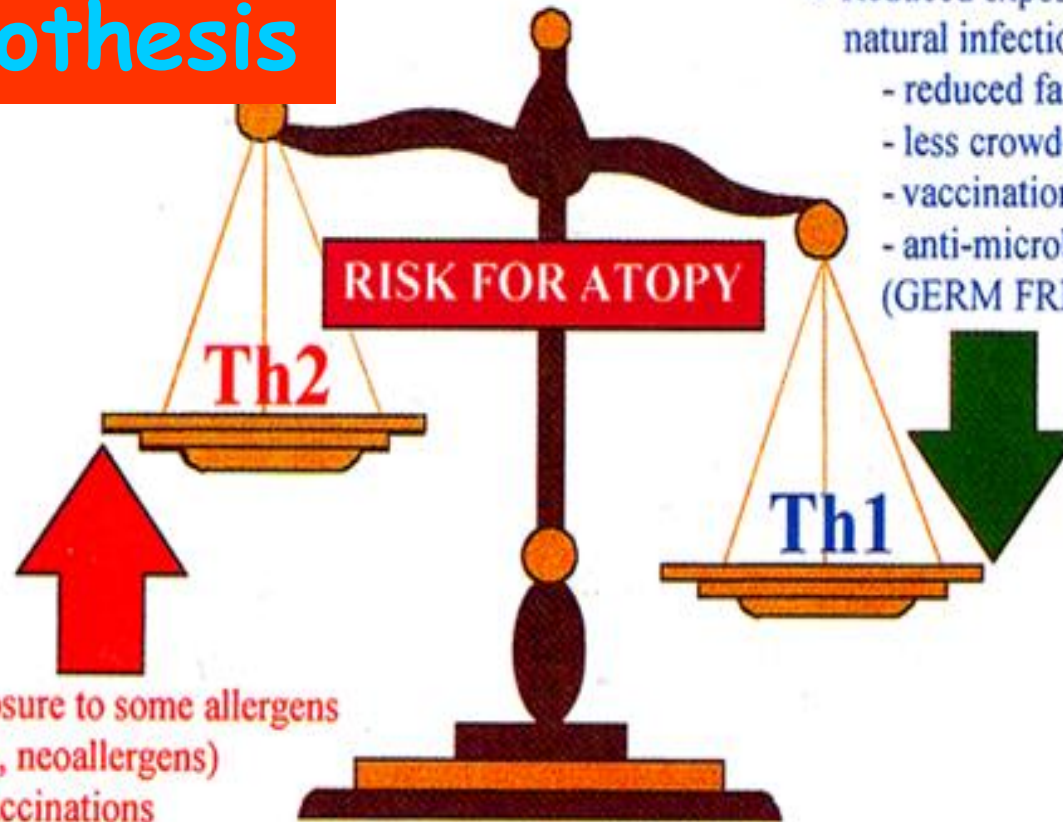
## Factors who are changing

- Allergens ↗ ?
- Irritants: smoking, polutions... ↗
- Obesity ↗
- Diet: vitamins and antioxydants ↘
- Physical activities ↘
- Stress ↗





# Hygiene hypothesis

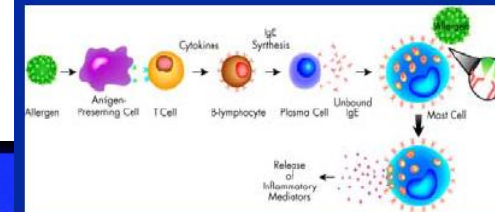


- ⇒ Increased exposure to some allergens (mites, cat pets, neoallergens)
- ⇒ Th2-biasing vaccinations (tetanus, pertussis, diphtheria; alum as adjuvant)

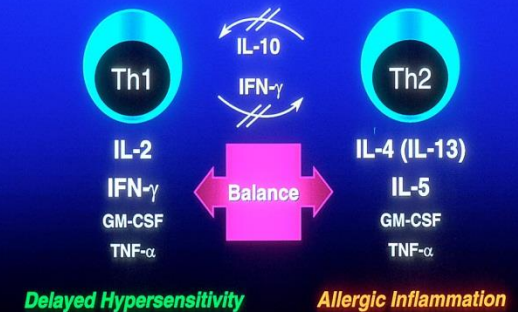
- ⇒ Changes of the commensal flora, due to:
  - consumption of semi-sterile foods
  - use of cleaner water
- ⇒ Reduced exposure to and/or severity of natural infections, due to:
  - reduced family size
  - less crowded accommodation
  - vaccinations
  - anti-microbial treatment (GERM FREE-LIKE STATE)

## What is an Allergic Reaction?

### The Allergy Cascade

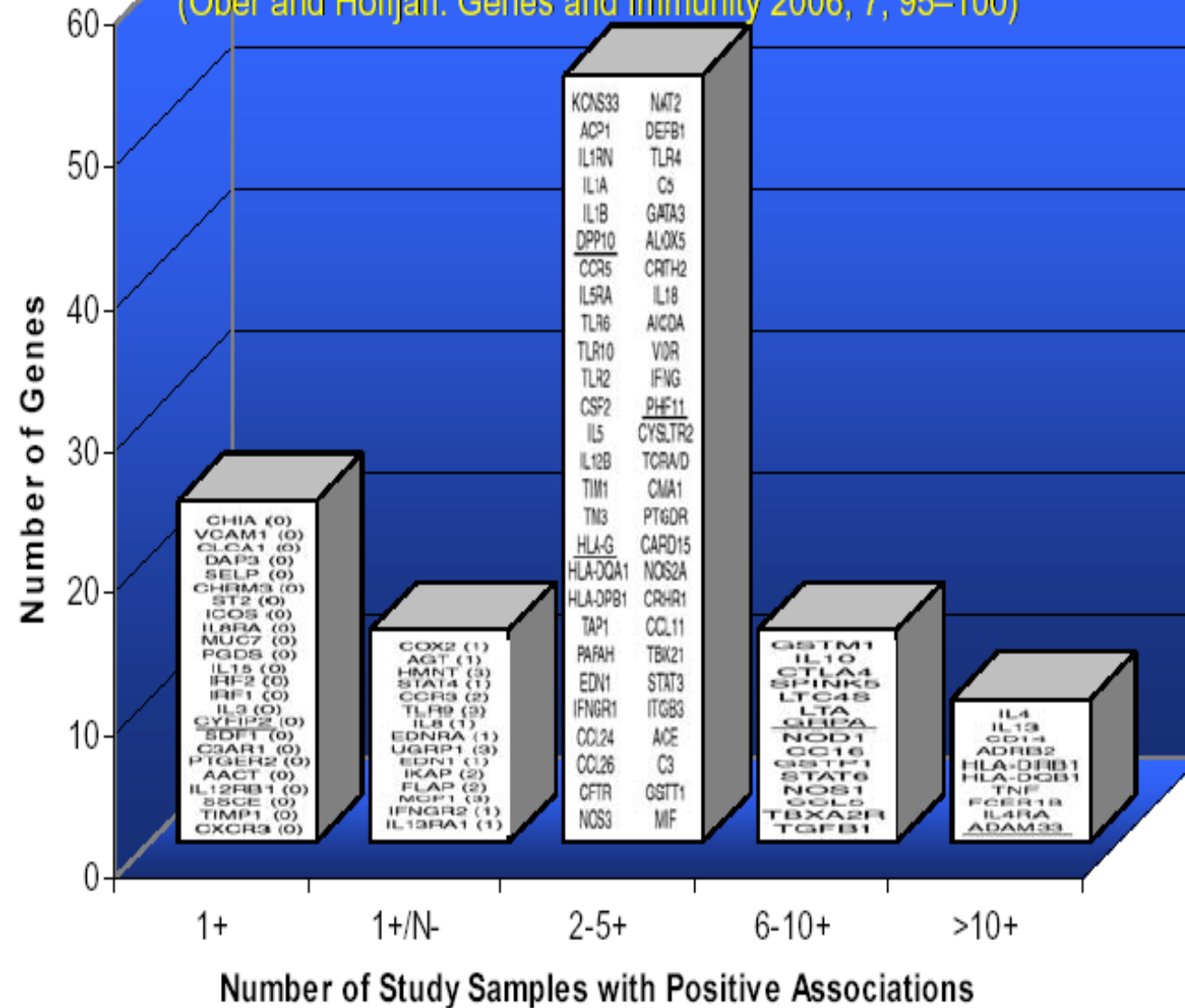


### The Th1/Th2 Paradigm



# Genes Associated with Asthma or Atopy

(Ober and Hoffjan. Genes and Immunity 2006; 7, 95–100)



# Identifying “At Risk” Infants

One parent or sibling with history of AD, urticaria, allergic rhinitis (hay fever) or asthma = “At Risk” by Family History

Risk by Parental Hx.\*



Low

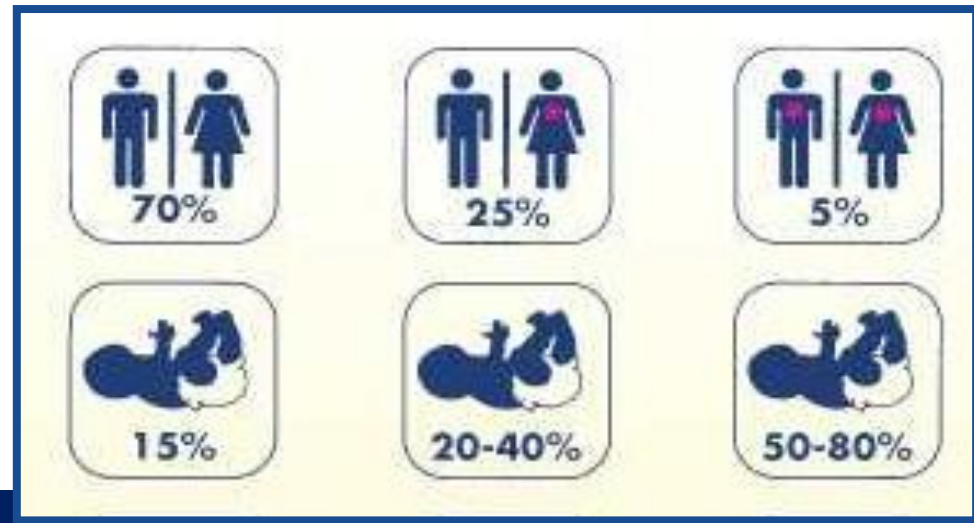
Medium

High

Percentage of newborns



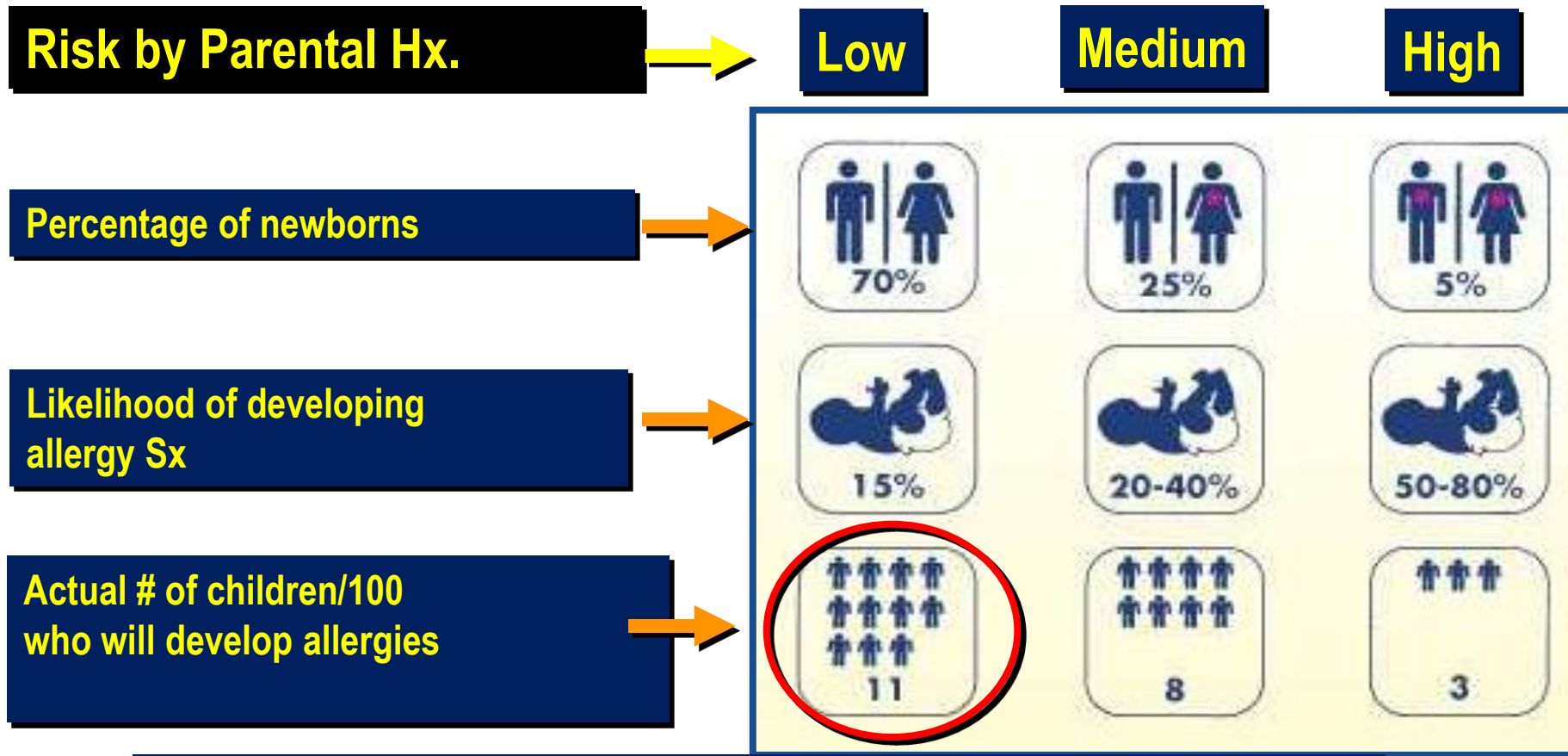
Likelihood of developing allergy Sx



\*Approximate numbers in developed countries. Adapted from

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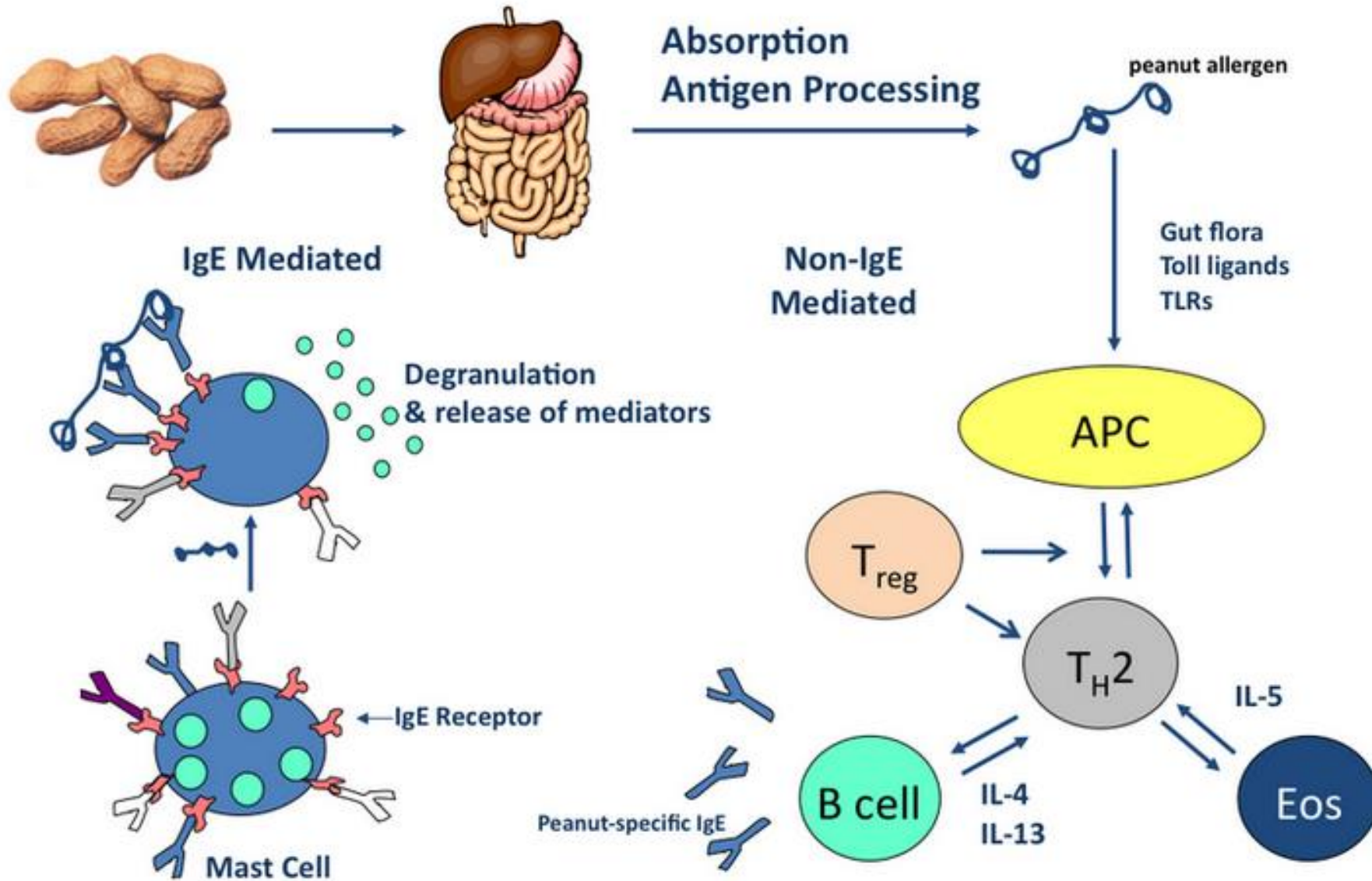
# Predicting Pediatric Allergy



There is no good public health mechanism to predict all children who will develop allergy. At least half of infants who go on to develop allergy could not have been predicted

# Mechanism of Food Allergen Sensitization

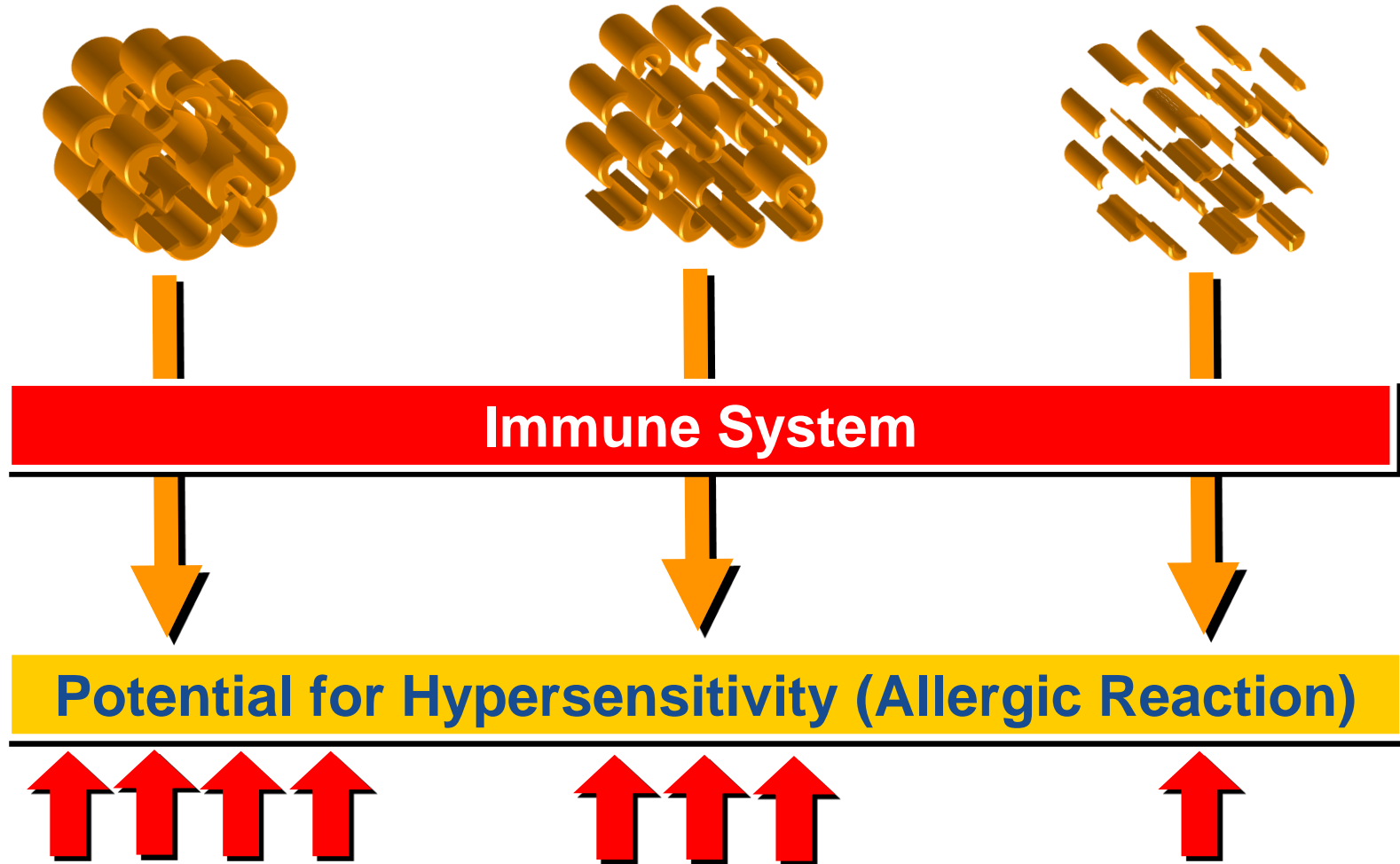
## Failure of Oral Tolerance



# Protein size and Allergenicity

High Molecular Weight

Low Molecular Weight



## Box 16: Modified asthma predicative index

History of  $\geq 4$  wheezing episodes with at least one physician diagnosed and either

One (or more) of the major criteria

- Parental history of asthma
- Skin test positive to aero-allergens
- Eczema (physician-diagnosed atopic dermatitis)

Or

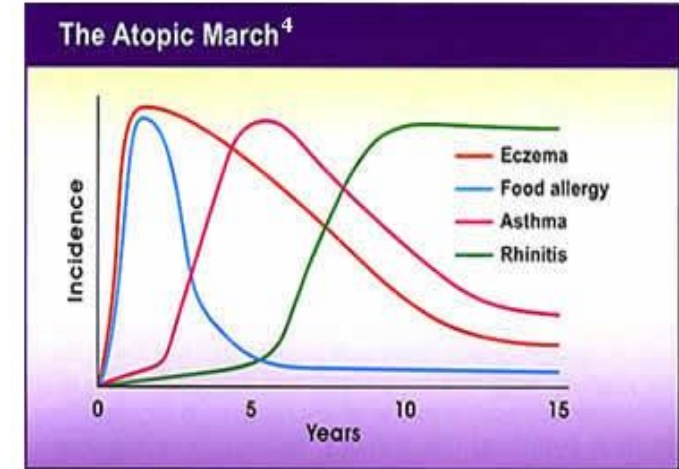
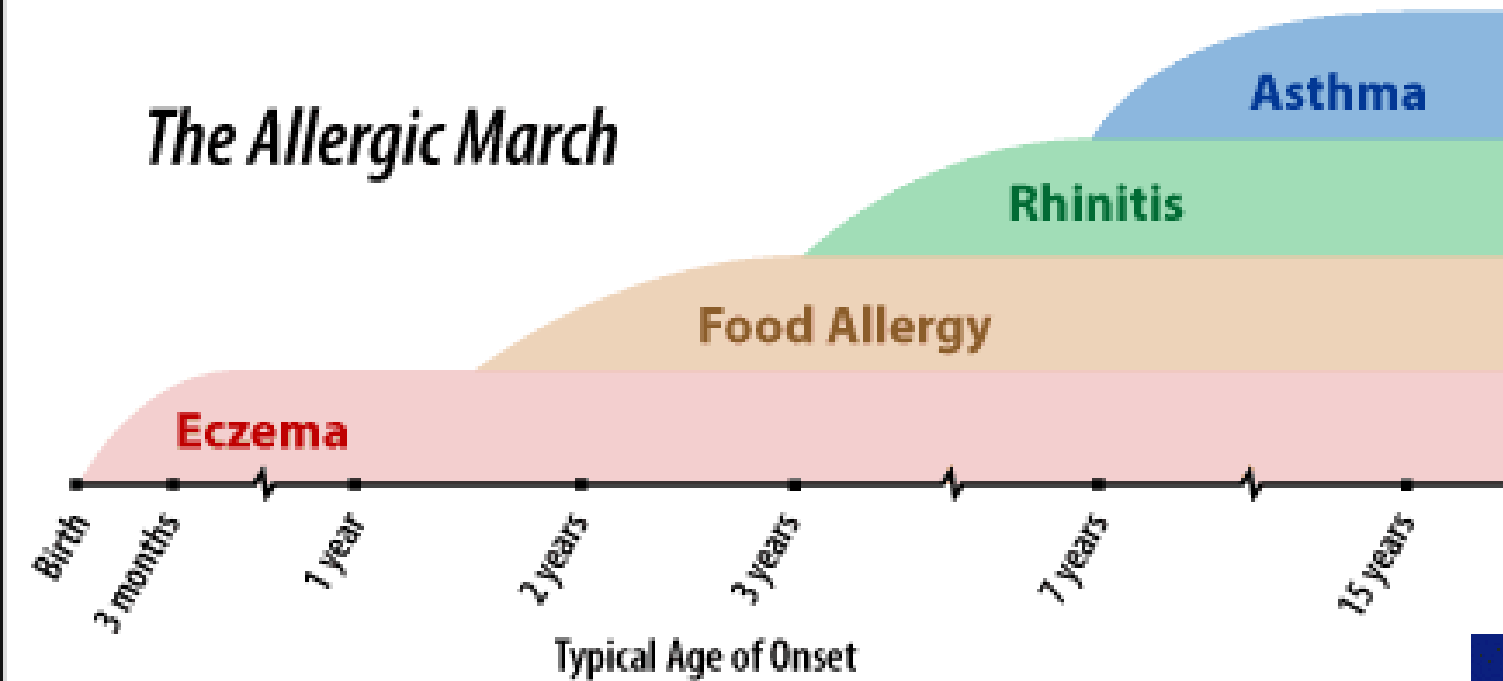
Two (or more) of the minor criteria

- Eosinophilia ( $\geq 4\%$ )
- Wheezing unrelated to colds
- Allergic sensitization to milk, egg, or peanuts

Adapted from reference<sup>[214]</sup>

- Food allergen exposure is usually through ingestion, but the inhalation of food proteins in the form of dust or aerosolized particles may also trigger respiratory symptoms.
- Isolated asthma or rhinitis secondary to food allergy is reported, but is rare. More commonly, respiratory symptoms of food allergy are accompanied by skin and/or gastrointestinal manifestations. Foods can elicit asymptomatic airway hyperreactivity or symptomatic asthmatic responses.
- In addition, systemic anaphylactic reactions often have a respiratory component.

# The Allergic March



Prevalence of...

Eczema:<sup>5</sup>  
14-22%

Eczema + allergic rhinitis:<sup>5</sup>  
34%

Eczema + asthma:<sup>5</sup>  
10%

Respiratory and atopic disorders:<sup>6</sup>  
41%



Eczema, GI disorders, Otitis media, Allergic rhinitis, Asthma, Adult asthma

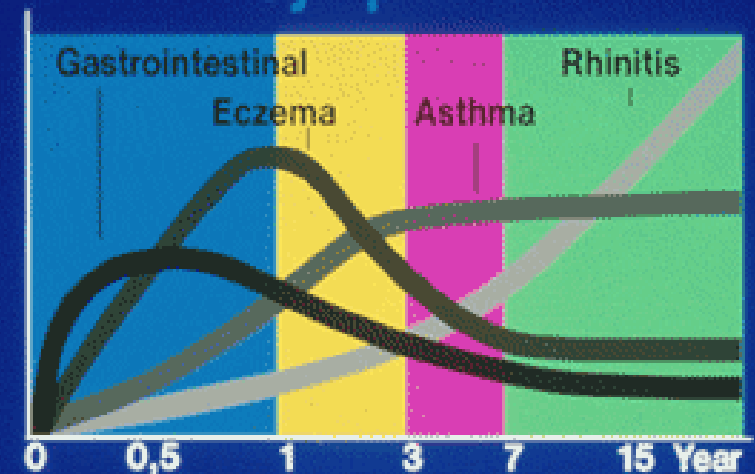
As many as **40%** of infants with atopic dermatitis may become asthmatic by age 4

Sasai K, et al. J Periatr. 1996;128:834-40

It is estimated that **79%** of children with otitis media have been diagnosed with allergic rhinitis

ETAC™ Study Group Pediatr Allergy Immunol. 1998;9:116-24

## Symptoms



Relative prevalence of symptoms according to age (many children exhibit symptoms simultaneously).

# DEFINITION OF FOOD ALLERGY

The terms "allergy" and "hypersensitivity" are used interchangeably to refer to an abnormal immunologic reaction to food. Such reactions can be mediated by IgE molecules directed against specific food proteins that activate mast cells and basophils, or can arise from other cellular processes involving eosinophils or T cells



	IgE Mediated	Mixed Mechanism	Non-IgE Mediated
Skin	Acute urticaria Angioedema	Atopic dermatitis	Dermatitis herpetiformes
GI	Immediate GI hypersensitivity Oral allergy syndrome	Eosinophilic gastroenterocolitis	Protein induced enterocolitis
Respiratory	Acute RAD (High risk anaphylaxis)	Asthma (Risk of anaphylaxis)	Food induced hemosiderosis Heiner syndrome
		Common	Uncommon

## Nonimmunologic adverse food reactions

### Gastrointestinal disorders

Structural abnormalities

Hiatal hernia

Pyloric stenosis

Tracheoesophageal fistula

Hirschsprung's disease

Carbohydrate malabsorption

Lactase deficiency

Sucrose-isomaltase deficiency

Pancreatic insufficiency (cystic fibrosis)

Gastroesophageal reflux

Peptic ulcer disease

Gallbladder disease

### Toxic reactions

Seafood

Scromboid poisoning (fresh tuna and mackerel)

Ciguatera poisoning (grouper, snapper)

Saxitoxin (shellfish)

Other food poisoning

Clostridium botulinum

Staphylococcus aureus

Fungal toxins (aflatoxins, trichothecanes, ergot)

<b>Intolerances</b>
Pharmacologic agents
Caffeine
Theobromine (tea, chocolate)
Histamine-like compounds (fish, wine, sauerkraut)
Tryptamine (tomato, plum)
Tyramine (aged cheeses, pickled fish)
Serotonin (banana, tomato)
Phenylethylamine (chocolate)
Glycosidal alkaloid solanine (potatoes)
Alcohol
Flavorings and preservatives
Sodium metabisulfite
Monosodium glutamate
<b>Neurologic reactions</b>
Auriculotemporal syndrome
<b>Psychologic reactions</b>
Food phobias
Food aversions
<b>Accidental contaminations</b>
Pesticides
Antibiotics (if allergy present)

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Figure 1: The "Big Eight" Allergens: Tree Nuts, Peanuts, Soy, Egg, Milk, Fish, Wheat and Shellfish.

The most common foods that trigger food hypersensitivity reactions involving the respiratory tract are peanut, tree nuts, fish, shellfish, hen's egg, cow's milk, and seeds.

Wheat and soybean are the most frequently implicated food allergens in inhalation induced reactions, although hen's egg and seafood can also cause these types of reactions

# 3 Main Allergens in Different Populations

	1st	2nd	3rd
USA			
Germany			
Spain			
Israel			
Japan			

# Clinical manifestations of IgE-mediated reactions

## Clinical features

Dermatologic - Pruritus, flushing, urticaria/angioedema, diaphoresis

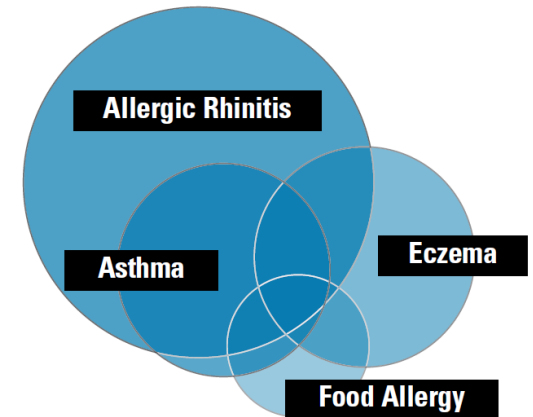
Eyes - Conjunctival injection, lacrimation, periorbital edema, pruritus

Respiratory tract - Nose/oropharynx (sneezing, rhinorrhea, nasal congestion, oral pruritus, metallic taste), upper airway (hoarseness, stridor, sense of choking, laryngeal edema), lower airway (dyspnea, tachypnea, wheezing, cough, cyanosis)

Cardiovascular - Conduction disturbances, tachycardia, bradycardia (if severe), arrhythmias, hypotension, cardiac arrest

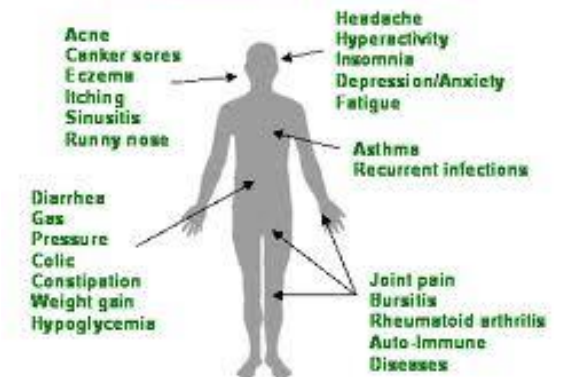
Gastrointestinal - Nausea/vomiting, abdominal cramping, bloating, diarrhea

Neurologic - Sense of impending doom, syncope, dizziness, seizures



Atopic diseases tend to cluster in individuals and in families.

## Common Symptoms of Food Allergies

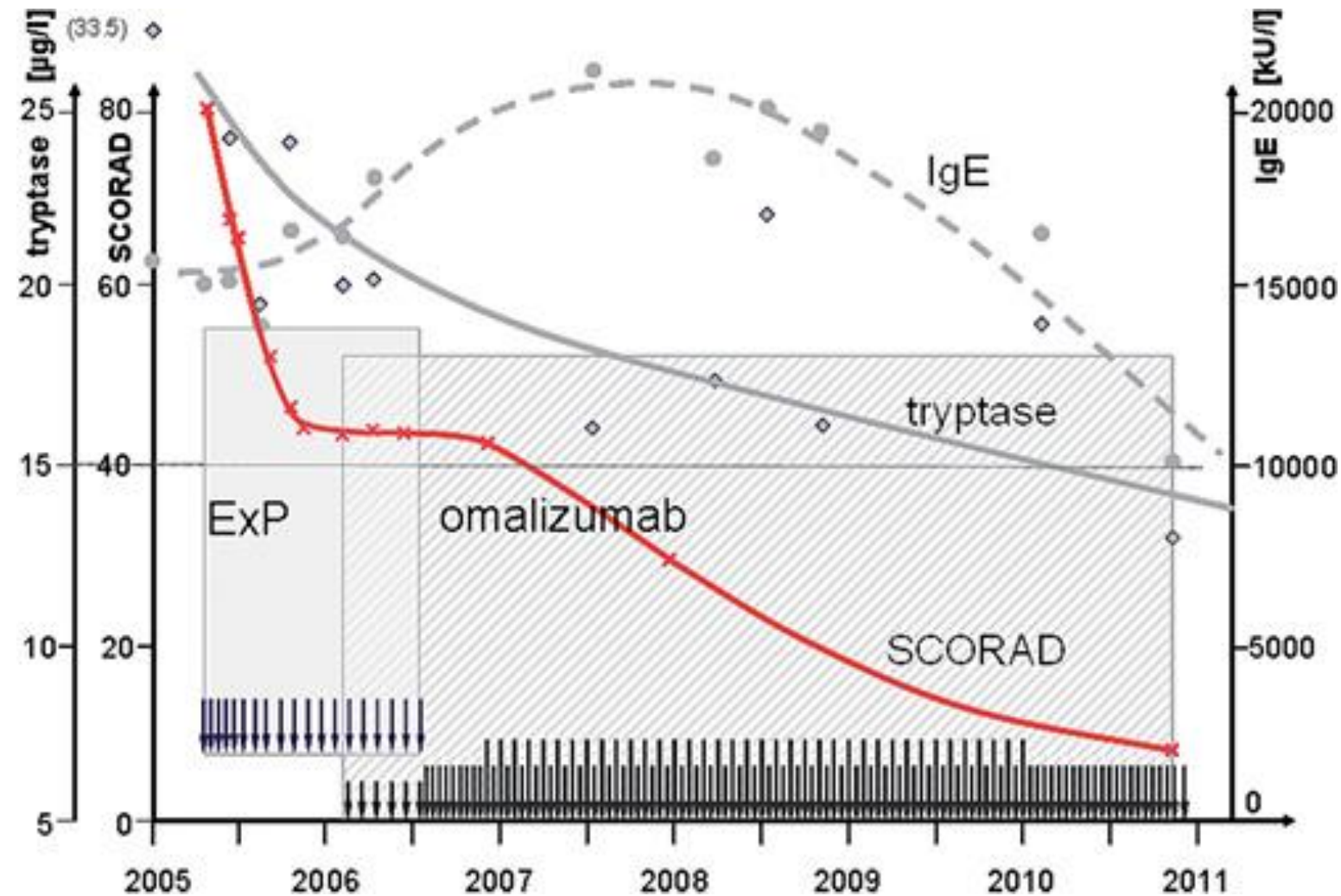




Among atopic patients of all ages, those with atopic dermatitis tend to have the highest IgE levels followed by atopic asthma, perennial allergic rhinitis, and seasonal allergic rhinitis.







Elevated total IgE levels can be demonstrated in 80 to 85 percent of patients with AD, although the precise relationship between the elevated IgE levels and disease pathogenesis is unclear. Some individuals have extremely high total IgE levels. **Children with very high IgE (ie, >10,000 kU/L) are at greater risk for severe AD, sensitization to food and inhaled allergens, and anaphylaxis, compared to children with lesser elevations (ie, 1000 to 4000 kU/L).** In patients with AD, the rate of sensitization to foods ranges from 30 to 80 percent, depending upon the population studied, although the actual rate of confirmed food allergy is much lower.








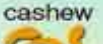






























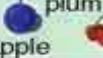


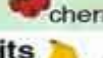
















# Some cross-reactions between inhalant allergens and food allergens

Inhalant allergy	Food allergy
Birch pollen	Nuts, apple, pear, peach, plum, cherry, carrot, peanut, soy
Ragweed pollen	Melon, banana
Grass pollen	Tomato, peanut, pea, wheat, rye
Latex	Banana, chestnut, kiwi, avocado
Chironomids	Crustaceans

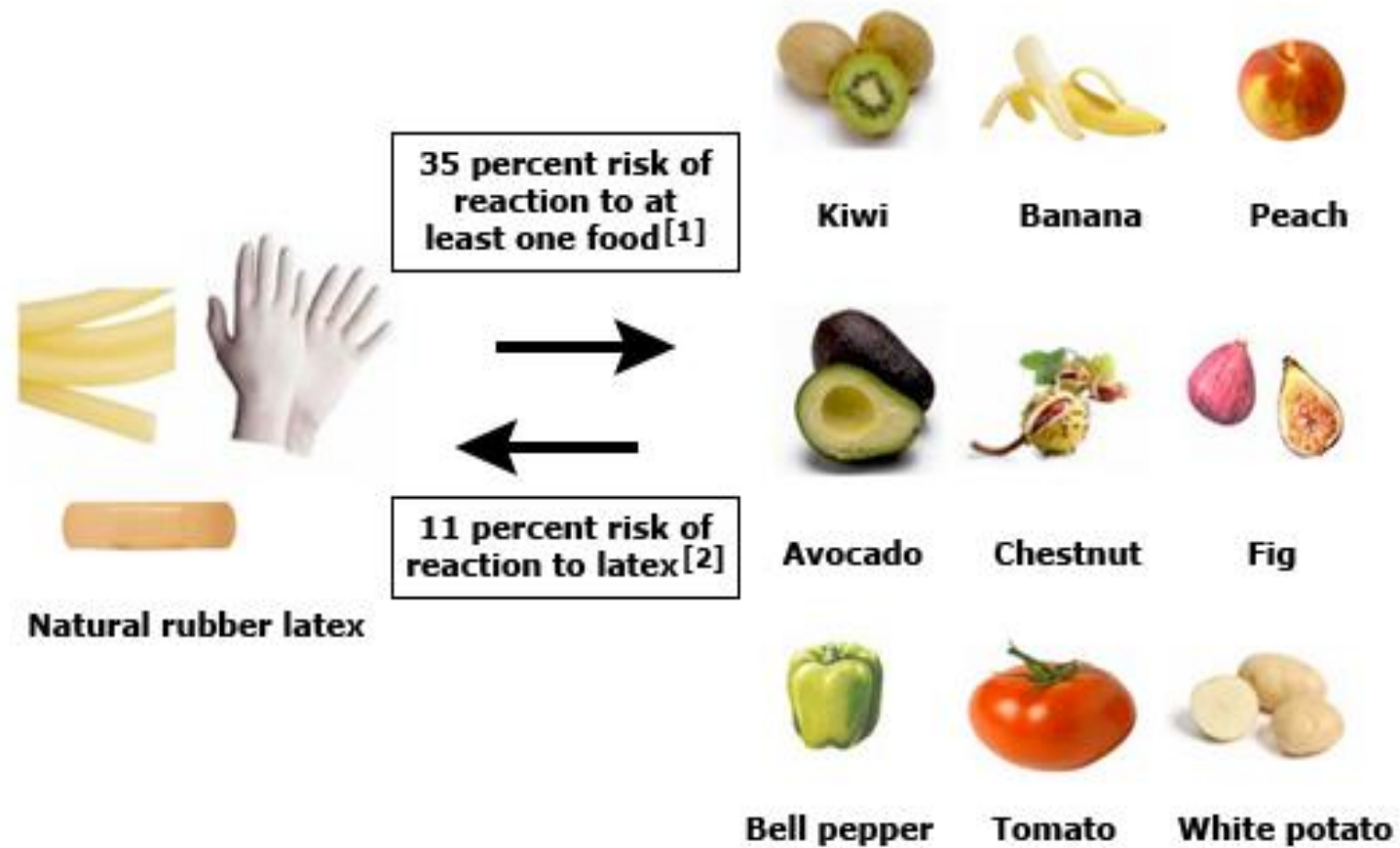
Importance of considering 3-dimensional protein structure in prediction cross-reactivity

*Van Ree R.*

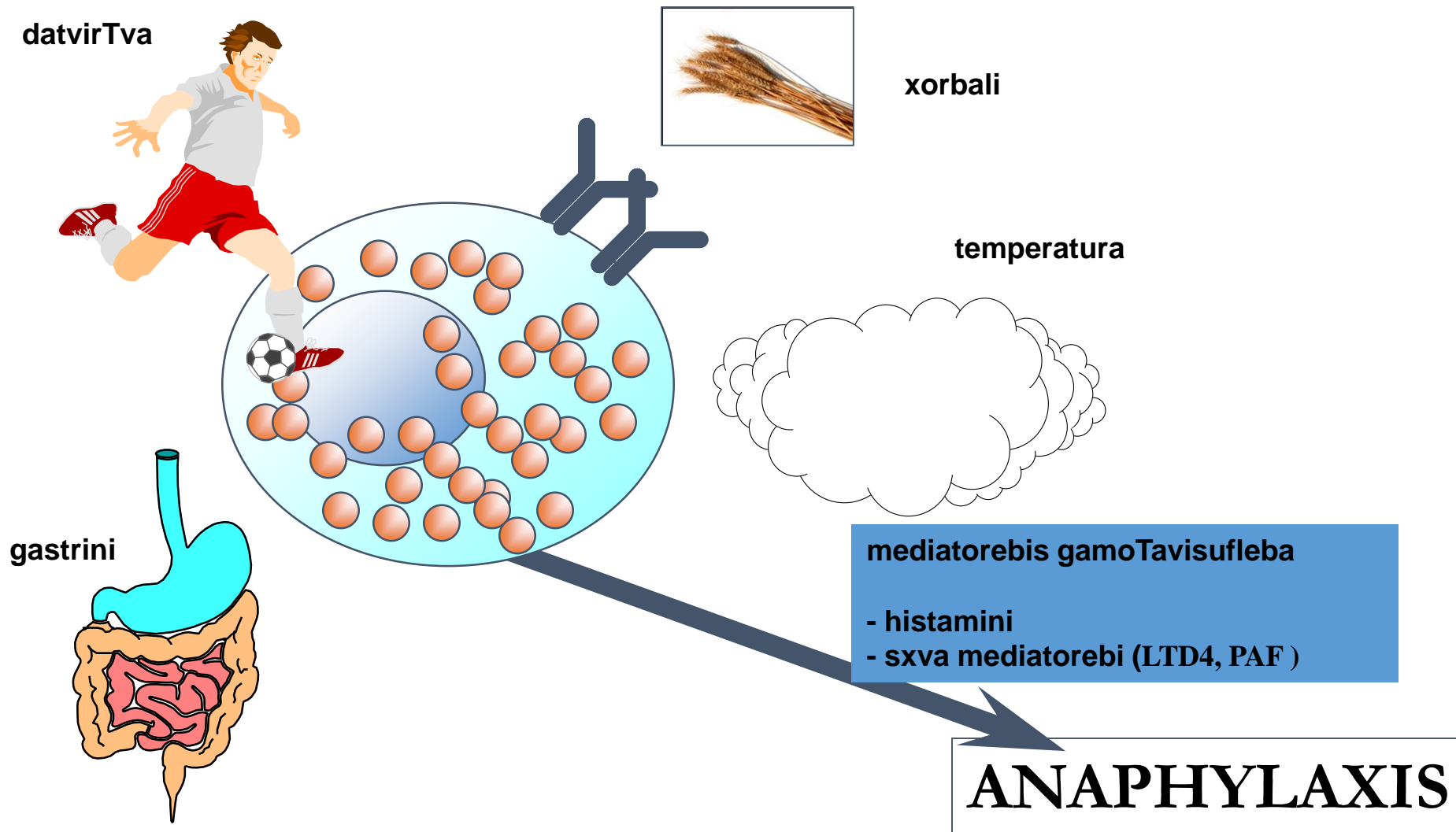
*Curr Opin Allergy Clin Immunol, 2004;4:235-40*

If Allergic to:	Risk of Reaction to at Least One:	Risk:
<b>A legume*</b> peanut 	<b>Other legumes</b> peas  lentils  beans 	5% 
<b>A tree nut</b> walnut 	<b>Other tree nuts</b> brazil  cashew  hazelnut 	37% 
<b>A fish*</b> salmon 	<b>Other fish</b> swordfish  sole 	50% 
<b>A shellfish</b> shrimp 	<b>Other shellfish</b> crab  lobster 	75% 
<b>A grain*</b> wheat 	<b>Other grains</b> barley  rye 	20% 
<b>Cow's milk*</b> 	<b>Beef</b> hamburger 	10% 
<b>Cow's milk*</b> 	<b>Goat's milk</b> goat 	92% 
<b>Cow's milk*</b> 	<b>Mare's milk</b> horse 	4% 
<b>Pollen</b> birch  ragweed 	<b>Fruits/vegetables</b> apple  peach  honeydew 	55% 
<b>Peach*</b> 	<b>Other Rosaceae</b> plum  pear  apple  cherry 	55% 
<b>Melon*</b> cantaloupe 	<b>Other fruits</b> watermelon  banana  avocado 	92% 
<b>Latex*</b> latex glove 	<b>Fruits</b> kiwi  banana  avocado 	35% 
<b>Fruits</b> kiwi  avocado  banana 	<b>Latex</b> latex glove 	11% 

# Patterns of allergic cross-reactivity between latex and food



# Exercise induced Anaphylaxis



# Diagnosics of Food allergy

- History and physical examination
- Prick skin Testing (*The general sensitivity > 90 % and specificity –50% of skin prick testing for the diagnosis of food allergy*)
- In vitro testing (CAP-FEIA/RASTs) Specific IgE - Phadia (*Clinical performance is expressed as sensitivity- 84-95 %, and specificity, ranging from 85-94%*).
- Gastroenterologic tests
- Elimination diets
- Food challenges

**Based primarily upon studies performed in the United States in children with a history of food allergy older than two years of age, the 95 percent predictive levels for egg, milk, peanut, tree nuts, and fish are as follows (Sampson HA)**

- Egg, 7 kUA/L (2 kUA/L for children less than two years of age)**
- Milk, 15 kUA/L (5 kUA/L for children less than two years of age)**
- Peanut, 14 kUA/L**
- Tree nuts, approximately 15 kUA/L**
- Fish, 20 kUA/L**

**Thus, a child over two years old with a convincing history of egg allergy has a greater than 95 percent likelihood of experiencing an allergic reaction to egg upon challenge if their egg-specific IgE exceeds 7 kUA/L. Therefore, challenge is unnecessary in such children. Equivalent predictive positive levels for soy and wheat have not yet been established.**

# Diagnostics of Food allergy

- **FOOD DIARIES** — Food diaries are written records of everything that is ingested by a patient, including all foodstuffs, beverages, condiments, and candies. Although rarely diagnostic on their own, food diaries may be helpful at times in identifying a food that was overlooked by the patient, a food containing **hidden ingredients**, or patterns of reactions (eg, in association with **exercise, alcohol, or antiinflammatory medications**).
- **FOOD CHALLENGES** — Oral food challenges are structured protocols in which the patient ingests a suspect food under clinician supervision. Food challenges should only be performed by allergy specialists familiar with food-allergic reactions and in settings equipped with the necessary medications, equipment, and staff to treat anaphylaxis. Food challenges are covered in detail separately.
- **UNVALIDATED METHODS** — Patients may present after having food allergy tests performed that have not been validated . These can include **food-specific IgG and IgG4 tests**, which typically yield multiple positive results and may represent a normal immune response to food.

# **World Allergy Organization (WAO) Diagnosis and Rationale for Action against Cow's Milk Allergy (DRACMA) Guidelines**

**Alessandro Fiocchi, (Chair), Jan Brozek, Holger Schunemann, (Chair), Sami L. Bahna, Andrea von Berg, Kirsten Beyer, Martin Bozzola, Julia Bradsher, Enrico Compalati, Motohiro Ebisawa, Maria Antonieta Guzman, Haiqi Li, Ralf G. Heine, Paul Keith, Gideon Lack, Massimo Landi, Alberto Martelli, Fabienne Rancé, Hugh Sampson, Airtion Stein, Luigi Terracciano, and Stefan Vieths**

# Allergic and asthmatic reactions to food additives

Of the thousands of food additives in use, only a small number have been implicated in allergic or allergic-like reactions. Symptoms include urticaria and/or angioedema, asthmatic reactions, and anaphylaxis.

Clues that a patient may be reacting to a food additive include reactions that occur within minutes to a few hours of eating, a convincing history of similar reactions to several apparently unrelated foods, and reactions to commercially-prepared forms of foods that are tolerated when prepared at home. However, allergy to a nutritive food is far more likely than allergy to an additive, so this must be considered first in the differential diagnosis.

Ronald A Simon, MD, 2014

# Sulfites

- **Sulfites can cause potentially serious asthmatic reactions in as many as 5 percent of patients with asthma,** whereas individuals without asthma are rarely affected. **Sulfite-sensitive patients more often have severe and/or steroid-dependent asthma.** Patients with asthma who experience exacerbations after apparent exposure to sulfites should be counseled to avoid sulfite-containing foods and (if possible) referred to an allergy specialist with experience in evaluating for sulfite sensitivity

**Sulfite-containing foods**

<b>High content</b>	<b>Low content (&lt;10 ppm)*</b>
Dried fruit (excluding dark raisins and prunes)	Corn starch
Lemon juice (nonfrozen)	Hominy
Lime juice (nonfrozen)	Frozen potatoes
Wine	Maple syrup
Molasses	Imported jams and jellies
Sauerkraut juice	Fresh mushrooms
Grape juice (white, white sparkling, pink sparkling, red sparkling)	Malt vinegar
<b>Moderate content</b>	Dried cod
Dried potatoes	Canned potatoes
Wine vinegar	Beer
Gravies, sauces	Dry soup mix
Fruit topping	Soft drinks
Maraschino cherries	Instant tea
Pectin	Pizza dough (frozen)
Shrimp (fresh)	Pie dough
Sauerkraut	Sugar (especially beet sugar)
Pickled peppers	Gelatin
Pickled cocktail onions	Coconut
Pickles/relishes	Fresh fruit salad
	Domestic jams and jellies
	Crackers
	Cookies
	Grapes
	High fructose corn syrup

\* Foods with low sulfite content have not been implicated in inducing reactions in sulfite-sensitive individuals.

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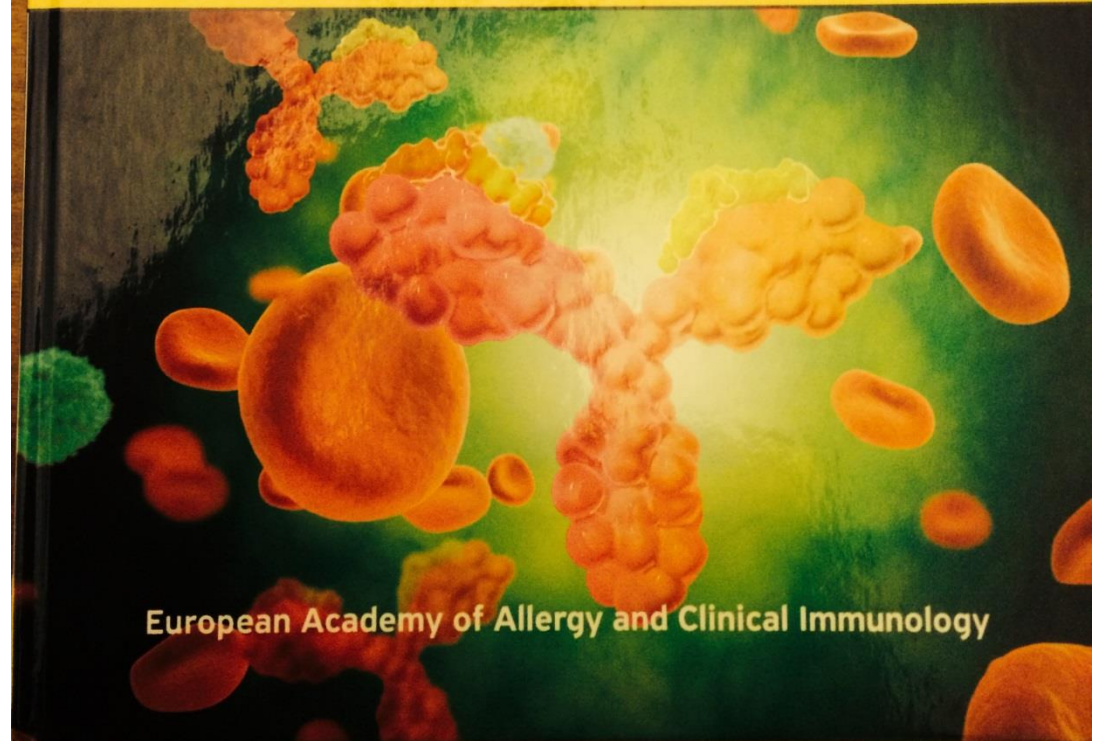


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# Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Guidelines

*Translating knowledge into clinical practice*



European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology

# **WAO - ARIA - GA<sup>2</sup>LEN consensus document on molecular-based allergy diagnostics [Giorgio Walter Canonica et al.](#)**

World Allergy Organ J. 2013; 6(1): 17.

**MA diagnostics allows for an increased accuracy in allergy diagnosis and prognosis and plays an important role in three key aspects of allergy diagnosis:**

- (1) resolving genuine versus cross-reactive sensitization in polysensitized patients, thereby improving the understanding of triggering allergens;**
- (2) assessing, in selected cases, the risk of severe, systemic versus mild, local reactions in food allergy, thereby reducing unnecessary anxiety for the patient and the need for food challenge testing;**
- (3) identifying patients and triggering allergens for specific immunotherapy (SIT).**

### Mapa możliwych reakcji krzyżowych

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# ImmunoCAP ISAC test

Źródło składnik Rodzina białek/funkcja

Owoc	Warzywa	Owoc	Składnik	Ziarno	Przyprawy	Pyłki traw	Pyłki chwastów	Pyłki drzew	leśna	Plakow	Rododac	Zwierzęta	Jajka	Pszczoła	Ryba	Owce/morze	Paszerzy	Owady	Inne
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		Acc d 2	Thaumatin-like protein																
		Acc 5	Kwatin																
		Acc 8	PR-10																
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		Marchew	PR-10																
		Mal d 1	PR-10																
		Brzożwinia	PR-10																
		Prn p 1	PR-10																
		Prn p 3	LTP																
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		Ana o 2	Storage protein 2S albumin																
		Cor a 9	Storage protein 2S albumin																
		Cor a 8	LTP																
		Cor a 1.040	Profilin																
		Jug r 1	Storage protein, 2S albumin																
		Jug r 2	LTP																
		Sez i 1	Storage protein 2S albumin																
		Ara h 1	Storage protein 2S albumin																
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		Ara h 3	Storage protein 2S albumin																
		Ara h 8	PR-10																
		Ara h 9	LTP																
	Soja	Gly m 4	PR-10																
		Gly m 5	Storage protein, Beta-conglycinin																
		Gly m 6	Storage protein, Glycinin																
		Gliadin	Gliadin																
	Pszemica	Tri a 19	Omega 5 gliadin																
		Tri a 18	Agglutinin isolectin 1																
		Tri a 6A, TI	Alpha-Amylase/Trypsin inhibitors																
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		Phl p 1	1 grupa alergenów traw																
		Phl p 2	2 grupa alergenów traw																
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		Phl p 11	Trypsin inhibitor																
		Phl p 12	Profilin																
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		Bet v 4	Polcalcin																
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		Hev b 5	Acidic protein																
		Hev b 6	Hevein																
		Hev b 8	Profilin																
		Hev b 9	Glycolytic Enzyme																
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## Component resolved diagnostics of plant food allergens

Causative food	Pollen cross-reactive components	Lipid transfer proteins	Pollen non-cross-reactive components
Peanut	Ara h 8* Ara h 5*	Ara h 9	Ara h 1; Ara h 2; Ara h 3 Ara h 4; Ara h 6; Ara h 7
Hazelnut	Cor a 1* Cor a 2*	Cor a 8	Cor a 9 Cor a 11
Soybean	Gly m 4* Gly m 3*	Gly m 1	Gly m 5 Gly m 6
Wheat	Tri a 12*	Tri a 14	Tri a 19 ( $\omega$ -5 gliadin) Tri a 21 - alfa gliadin Tri a 26 - HMW glutenin Tri a 28 - AAI dimer 0.19

Ana risk →

PRP-10
Profilin
Lipid transfer proteins
Storage seed proteins, albumins, and globulins

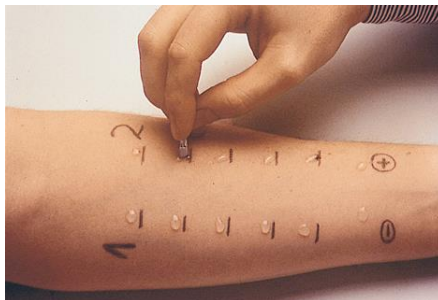
The table shows how the component-resolved diagnostics can be used to estimate the risk of anaphylaxis (Ana) in a patient sensitized to various pollen-related plant allergens. Patients who are sensitized to allergens in the profilin and pathogenesis-related-protein-10 (PRP-10) groups (shown in green and purple) have a relatively low risk of anaphylaxis. Those sensitized to lipid transfer proteins (shown in orange) have an intermediate risk. The highest rate of anaphylaxis is observed in patient sensitized to more stable proteins that are not cross-reactive with pollen allergens, such as storage seed proteins, albumins, and globulins (shown in yellow). The specific allergens circled in red have been implicated in systemic reactions.

- \* Reactive with birch tree pollen.
- Reactive with timothy grass pollen.

# In vivo diagnostics by Allergopharma and Stallergenes products

901 Phys. Saline	902 Phenolated glycerol	015 Grasses/ Cereals	014 4 Weed Mix	012 Trees I early blooming	013 Trees II mid blooming		044 Moulds I	045 Moulds II
006 Grasses	121 Barley	126 Oats	158 Rye	173 Wheat	106 Mugwort	109 Nettle	143 Dandelion	169 Engl. Plantain
115 Alder	129 Hazel	152 Poplar	168 Elm	170 Willow Tree	108 Birch	110 Beech	114 Oak	153 Plane Tree
101 Locust, black	116 Ash	132 Elder	142 Linden	161 Sorel				
304 Hamster Epithelia	306 Dog Epithelia	308 Rabbit Epithelia	309 Cat Epithelia	311 Guinea Pig Epithelia	314 Horse Epithelia	317 Cow Epithelia	318 Sheep's Wool	
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708 Dermato- phagocytes larynx	725 Dermato- phagocytes pleurovisceral							

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# Molecular Allergy

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SAMPLE INFORMATION		PATIENT INFORMATION	
Sample ID:	A4M3427_3	Patient ID:	
Sampling date:	30.05.2012	Name:	
Approval status:	Measured	Birth date:	Age:
Print date:	30.05.2012	ID/IR#:	Gender:
Calibration curve:	CTR02 2012-05-25 A4J2327_1		

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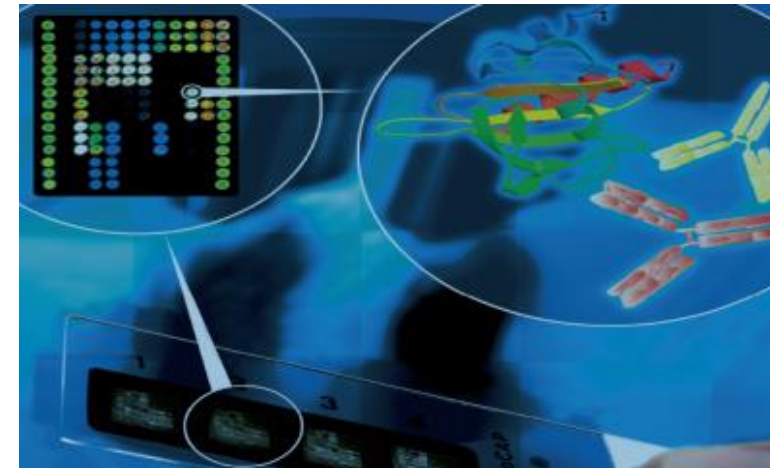
### 1. Summary of positive IgE results

#### Mainly species-specific aeroallergen components

Component	ISU-E	Bar		
Grass pollen				
Bermuda grass	nCyn d 1	Grass group 1	7,5 ISU-E	
Timothy grass	rPhl p 1	Grass group 1	18 ISU-E	
	rPhl p 2	Grass group 2	2,2 ISU-E	
	nPhl p 4	Berberine bridge enzyme	0,5 ISU-E	
	rPhl p 5	Grass group 5	13 ISU-E	
	rPhl p 6	Grass group 6	0,7 ISU-E	
Weed pollen				
Goosefoot	rChe a 1	Ole e 1-related protein	2,2 ISU-E	
Animal				
Dog	rCan f 1	Lipocalin	44 ISU-E	
	rCan f 2	Lipocalin	44 ISU-E	
	rCan f 5	Arginine Esterase	38 ISU-E	
Horse	rEqu c 1	Lipocalin	6,9 ISU-E	
Cat	rFel d 1	Uteroglobin	32 ISU-E	
	rFel d 4	Lipocalin	18 ISU-E	
Mouse	nMus m 1	Lipocalin	3,3 ISU-E	

#### Cross-reactive components

Component	ISU-E	Bar		
Serum albumin				
Cow's milk/meat	nBos d 6	Serum albumin	0,4 ISU-E	
Dog	nCan f 3	Serum albumin	22 ISU-E	
Horse	nEqu c 3	Serum albumin	4,8 ISU-E	
Cat	nFel d 2	Serum albumin	23 ISU-E	



- **uKnow™ Peanut ImmunoCAP® Molecular Allergy Test** Cutting-edge blood test identifies whether people are allergic to dangerous or more-benign peanut proteins, helping parents and patients create a food allergy management plan. *ThermoFisher Scientific*

## PEANUT



- Ara h 1 - Storage protein , 7 s globulin**
- Ara h 2 - Storage protein , 2 s albumin**
- Ara h 3 - Storage protein , 11 s globulin**
- Ara h 8 - PR-10**
- Ara h 9 - LTP**



# . IgE results sorted by protein group

## Mainly species-specific food components

Egg white	nGal d 1	Ovomucoid	0,6 ISU-E	<div></div>
	nGal d 2	Ovalbumin	2,8 ISU-E	<div></div>
	nGal d 3	Conalbumin/Ovotransferrin	<0.3 ISU-E	
Egg yolk/chicken meat	nGal d 5	Livetin/Serum albumin	<0.3 ISU-E	
Cow's milk	nBos d 4	Alpha-lactalbumin	53 ISU-E	<div></div>
	nBos d 5	Beta-lactoglobulin	43 ISU-E	<div></div>
	nBos d 8	Casein	16 ISU-E	<div></div>
	nBos d lactoferrin	Transferrin	<0.3 ISU-E	

### ISAC Standardized Units (ISU-E)

< 0.3

0.3 - 0.9

1 - 14.9

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### Level

Undetectable







Low

Moderate / High















Very High



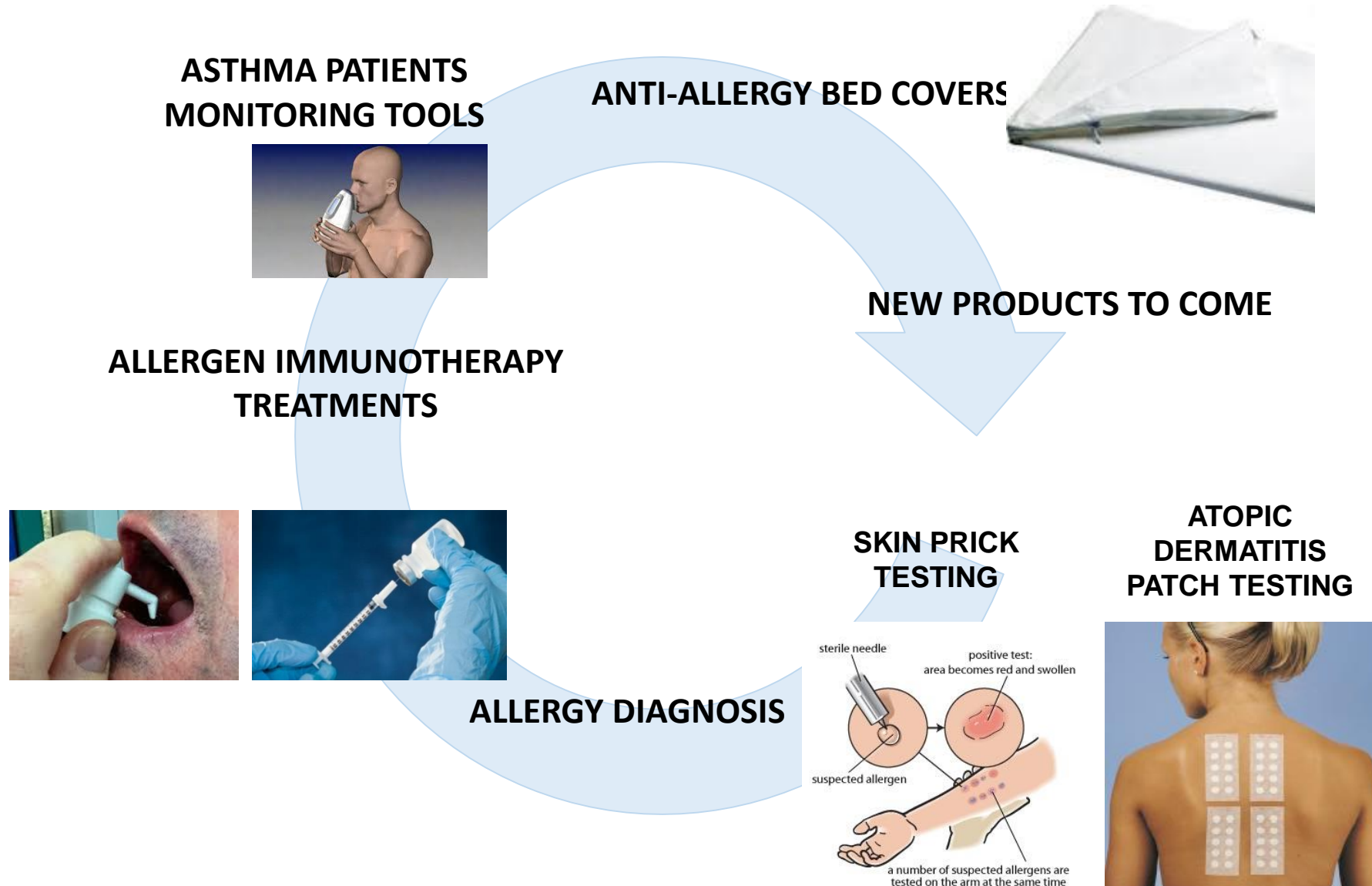
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Walnut	nJug r 2	Storage protein, 7S globulin	2 ISU-E	

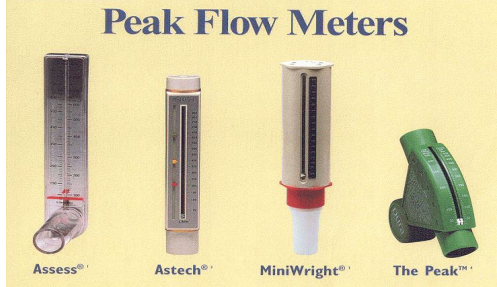
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Tree pollen				
Japanese cedar	nCry j 1	Pectate lyase	4,4 ISU-E	
Cypress	nCup a 1	Pectate lyase	62 ISU-E	
Olive pollen	rOle e 9	Beta-1,3-glucanase	2,2 ISU-E	
Plane tree	nPla a 2	Polygalacturonase	2,2 ISU-E	
Weed pollen				
Ragweed	nAmb a 1	Pectate lyase	45 ISU-E	
Wall pelitory	rPar j 2	Lipid transfer protein (nsLTP)	1,1 ISU-E	
Saltwort	nSal k 1	Pectin methylesterase	1,2 ISU-E	
Mold				
Alternaria	rAlt a 1	Acidic glycoprotein	32 ISU-E	
Mite				
D. farinae (HDM)	rDer f 2	NPC2 family	38 ISU-E	
D. pteronyssinus (HDM)	rDer p 2	NPC2 family	13 ISU-E	
Cockroach				
Cockroach	rBla g 1	Cockroach group 1	0,6 ISU-E	

# We want to propose a Complete Allergy Products kit to doctors visiting Allergic / Asthmatic patients



# Diagnos



Food:	Beech	Grasses/rye	Mugwort	Latex
Edible fruit (apples, pears)	●	●		
Stone fruit (plums, peaches, apricots)	●			●
Ananas	●			●
Wheat	●	●	●	●
Cheese	●		●	
Langos	●			●
Almonds		●		●
Avocados				●
Beans		●		
Carrots	●		●	
Potatoes	●	●		●
Sellerie	●	●	●	
Tomatoes		●		●
Anis, pepper, coriander	●		●	
Sweet peppers	●		●	
Camomile			●	
Soybean, grain flour		●		
Peanuts		●	●	●
Brazil, hazel nuts, walnuts, almonds	●		●	
Chestnuts				●

A SELECTION OF ALLERGENS THAT ARE FREQUENTLY CROSS-REACTIVE

● frequently  
● possible



# Guide to Interpretation of F<sub>ENO</sub> Values in Patients with Airway Disease.

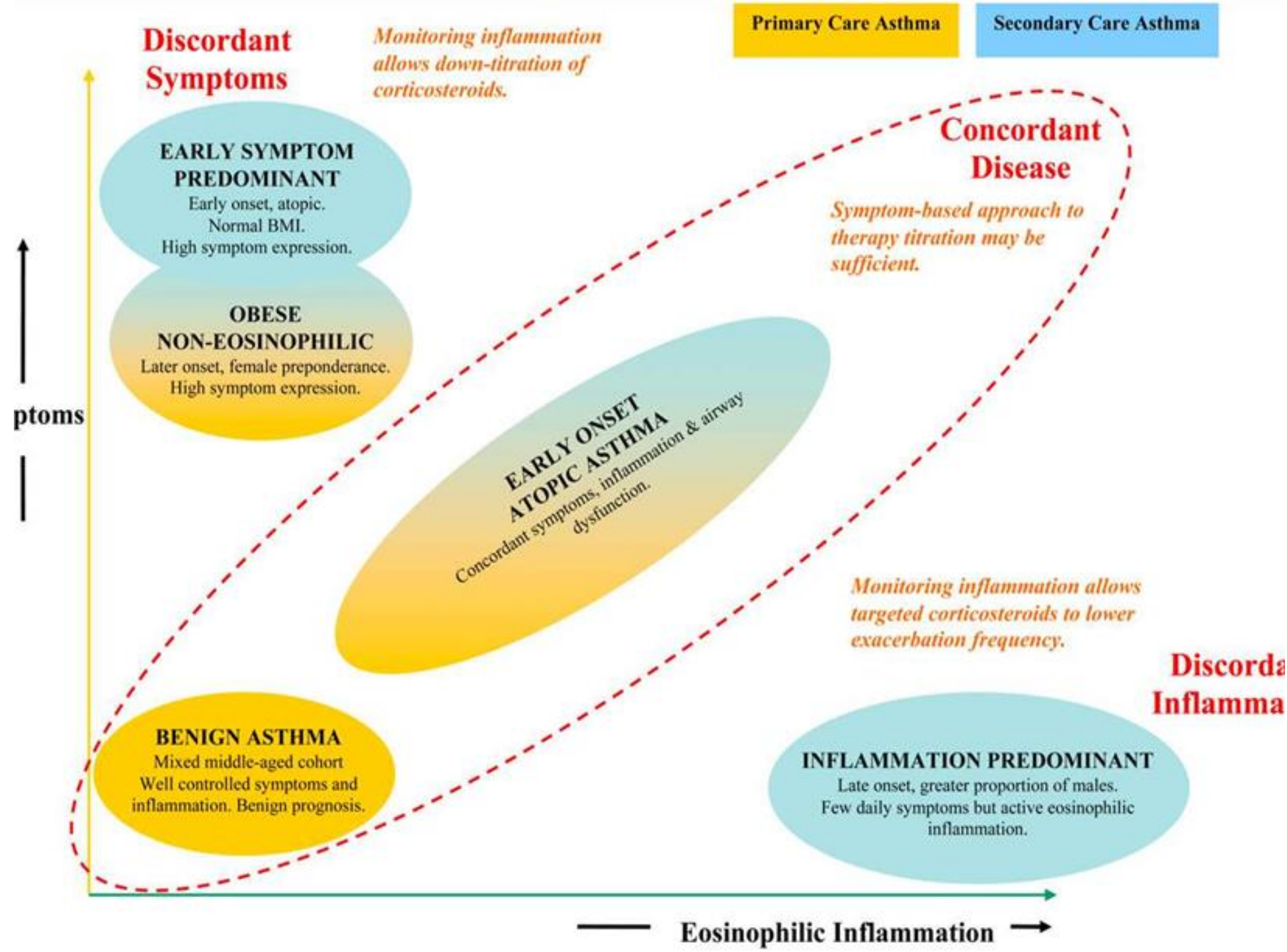
Do not use this guide if the patient is a smoker. Data are inconclusive for current smokers.  
F<sub>ENO</sub> values are complementary to spirometry values in the diagnosis and assessment of airway disease.

	LOW	NORMAL	INTERMEDIATE	HIGH
Eosinophilic inflammation	Unlikely	Unlikely	Present, but mild	Significant
ADULTS				
F <sub>ENO</sub> (ppb)*	< 5	5–25	25–50	> 50 (or a rise of >60% since previous measurement)
CHILDREN <12 years				
F <sub>ENO</sub> (ppb)*	< 5	5–20	20–35	> 35 (or a rise of >60% since previous measurement)
* At 50 mL/s flow rate	<div><b>Consider:</b></div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Smoker?</li></ul> <div><b>Children:</b></div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PCD (2)</li><li>• CF (3)</li><li>• Chronic lung-disease of prematurity</li></ul> <div>(1) Consider: Neutrophilic asthma, anxiety/hyperventilation, vocal cord dysfunction, gastroesophageal reflux, rhinosinusitis and cardiac disease. In addition for children: Wheezy bronchitis, ENT disorders and immuno-deficiencies.</div> <div>(2) Primary ciliary dyskinesia (check nasal NO).</div> <div>(3) Cystic fibrosis.</div> <div>(4) For children, consider metered dose inhaler and spacer if patient is currently using a dry powder device.</div> <div>The table is partly based on Taylor DR, Pijnenburg MW, Smith AD, De Jongste JC. Exhaled nitric oxide measurements: clinical application and interpretation. Thorax 2006; 61: 817-27.</div>			
	<div><b>If symptomatic, review diagnosis (1)</b></div> <div><b>If asymptomatic and on treatment:</b></div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Implies that patient is compliant</li><li>• Consider dose reduction or withdrawal of anti-inflammatory drug</li></ul>			
	<div><b>Interpretation based on clinical presentation</b></div> <div><b>If symptomatic and on anti-inflammatory treatment, consider:</b></div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Infection as reason for worsening</li><li>• High levels of allergen exposure</li><li>• Dose increase</li><li>• Adding LABA</li></ul> <div>In addition for children</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check</li><li>- compliance</li><li>- inhalation technique (4)</li></ul> <div><b>If asymptomatic and on treatment:</b></div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No change of anti-inflammatory drug dose, if patient is stable</li></ul>			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Consider <b>atopic asthma</b> if the history is appropriate</li><li>• A positive response to a trial of inhaled or oral steroids is likely</li></ul> <div>In addition for children</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• If combined with any objective evidence of reversible airway obstruction, asthma is very likely</li></ul> <div><b>If symptomatic and on anti-inflammatory treatment:</b></div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check</li><li>- compliance</li><li>- inhalation technique (4)</li><li>- drug dose</li></ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Consider</li><li>- high levels of allergen exposure</li><li>- imminent exacerbation or relapse</li><li>- steroid resistance (rare)</li></ul> <div><b>If asymptomatic and on treatment:</b></div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No change of anti-inflammatory drug dose, if patient is stable</li></ul>			



## ECP

- ▶ Sensitivity
- ▶ Detection limit is <0.5 µg/l.
- ▶ Specificity - 87%



# Asthma Phenotypes

## **:- Trigger-induced asthma**

- 1) Allergic
- 2) Non-allergic
- 3) Aspirin-exacerbated respiratory disease (AERD)
- 4) Infection
- 5) Exercise-induced
- - **Clinical presentation of asthma**
- 6) Pre-asthma wheezing in infants
- - Episodic (viral) wheeze
- - Multi-trigger wheezing
- 7) Exacerbation-prone asthma
- 8) Asthma associated with apparent irreversible airflow limitation
- - **Inflammatory markers of asthma**
- 9) Eosinophilic and neutrophilic asthma

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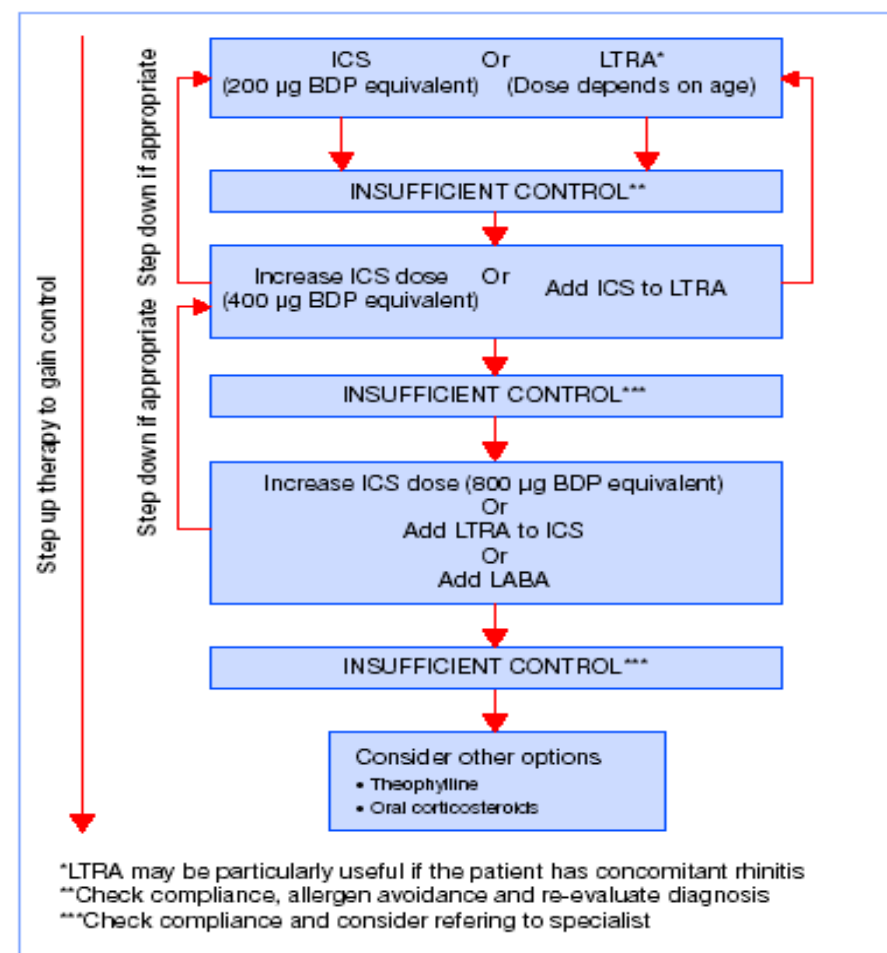
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### Algorithm of preventive treatment for asthma in children >2 years of age



## International consensus on (ICON) pediatric asthma

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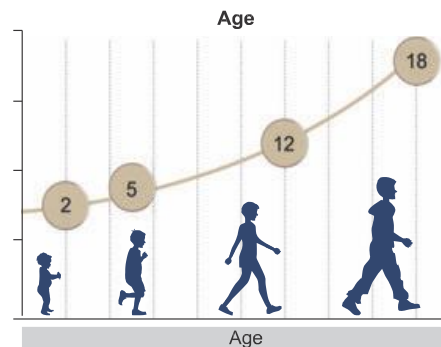
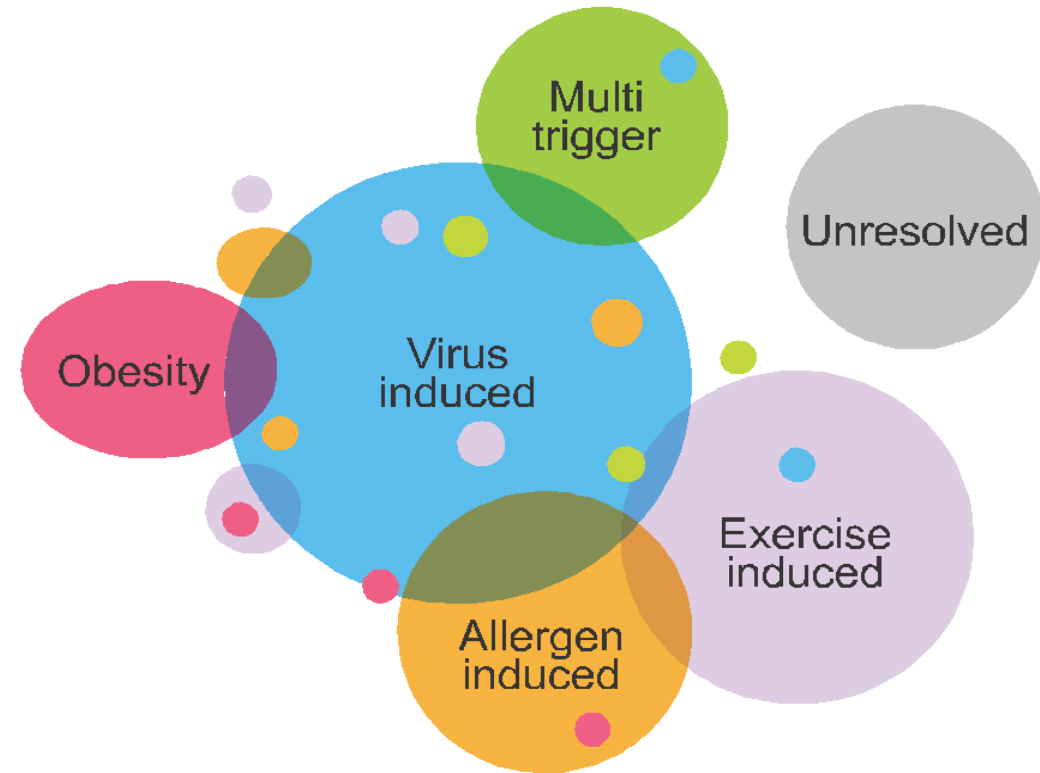
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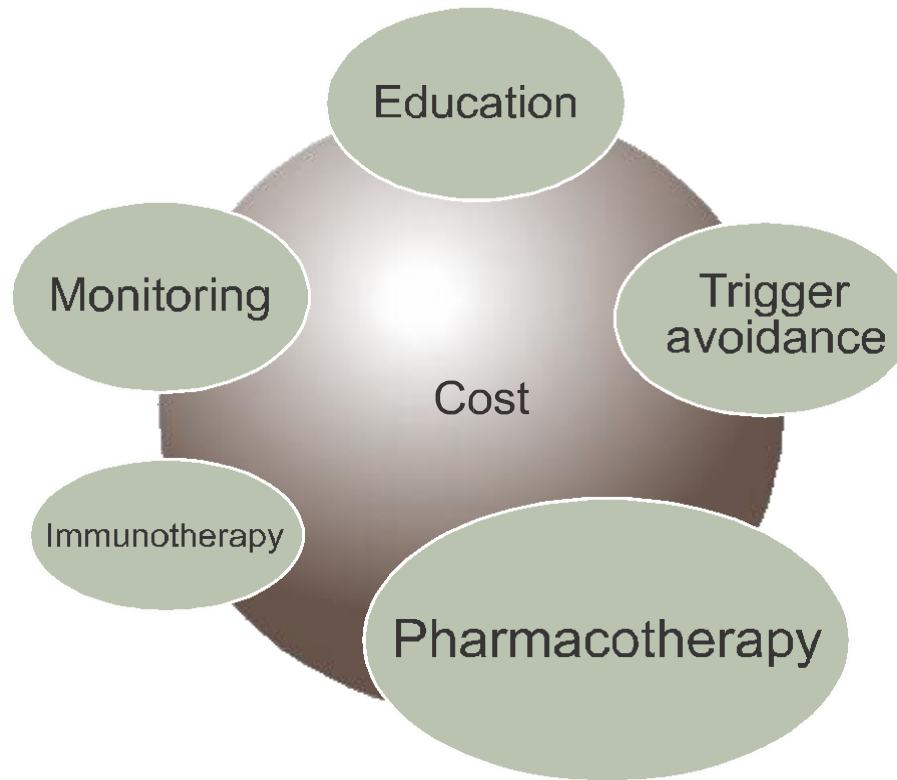
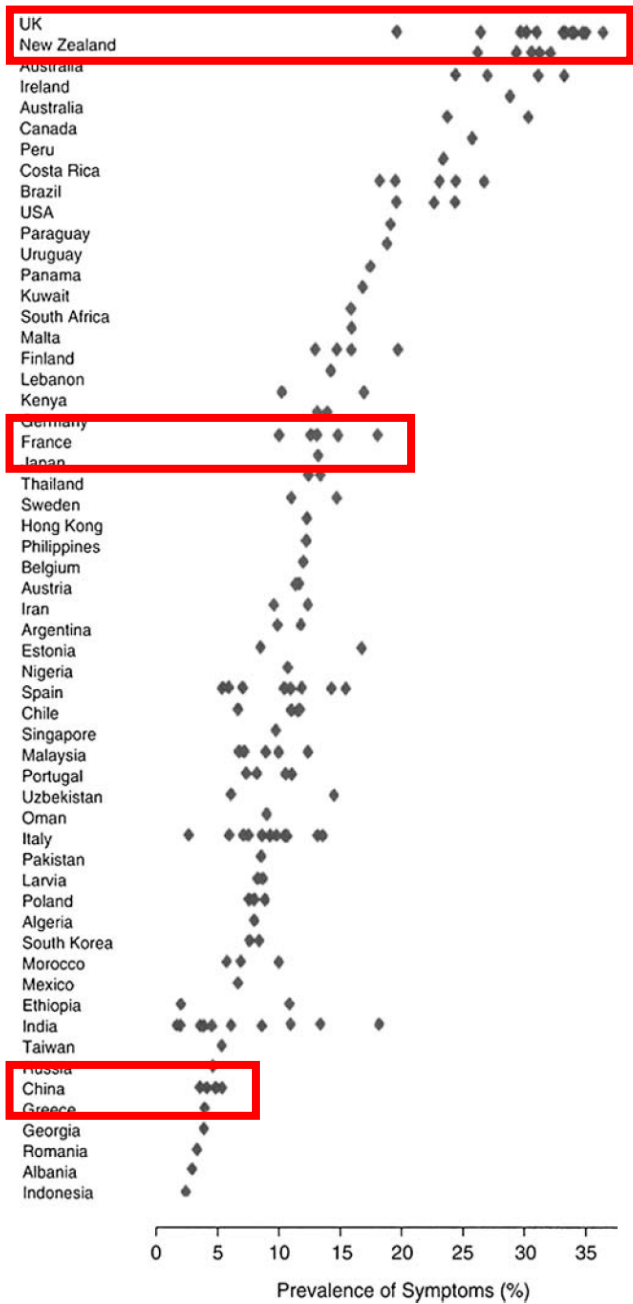


Figure 3 Asthma management should be 'holistic', including all the elements necessary to achieve disease control: patient and parent education, identification and avoidance of triggers, use of appropriate medication with a well-formed plan, and regular monitoring, are all crucial for success. Management should be adapted

Guideline Update

- Phenotype-sp
- Probabilistic  
be helpful in

# Ventolin® HFA

- First aerosol MDI with an integrated dose counter, allowing parents and patients to track inhaler use more easily – a life-saving change.

# Levels of Asthma Control

(Assess patient impairment)

Characteristic	Controlled (All of the following)	Partly controlled (Any present in any week)	Uncontrolled
Daytime symptoms	Twice or less per week	More than twice per week	3 or more features of partly controlled asthma present in any week
Limitations of activities	None	Any	
Nocturnal symptoms / awakening	None	Any	
Need for rescue / "reliever" treatment	Twice or less per week	More than twice per week	
Lung function (PEF or FEV <sub>1</sub> )	Normal	< 80% predicted or personal best (if known) on any day	

**Assessment of Future Risk** (risk of exacerbations, instability, rapid decline in lung function, side effects)

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# Xolair® Omalizumab anti-IgE

- First biologic medication interrupts allergic asthma episodes before they can get started – patients have called it life-changing. *Genentech*

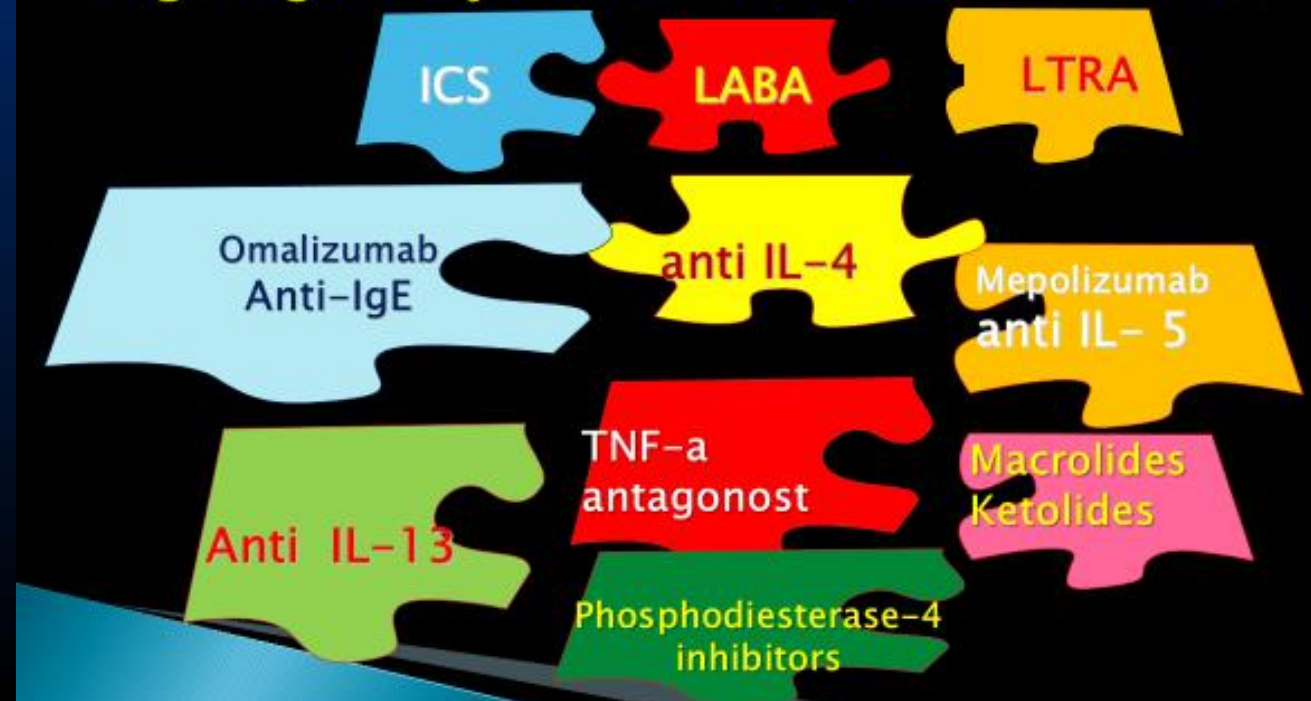


TREATMENT STEPS				
STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4	STEP 5
asthma education				
environmental control				
as needed rapid-acting $\beta_2$ -agonist	as needed rapid-acting $\beta_2$ -agonist			
CONTROLLER OPTIONS	SELECT ONE	SELECT ONE	ADD ONE OR MORE	ADD ONE OR BOTH
	low-dose ICS*	low-dose ICS plus long-acting $\beta_2$ -agonist	medium- or high-dose ICS plus long-acting $\beta_2$ -agonist	oral glucocorticosteroid (lowest dose)
	leukotriene modifier**	medium- or high-dose ICS	leukotriene modifier	anti-IgE treatment
		low-dose ICS plus leukotriene modifier	sustained-release theophylline	
		low-dose ICS plus sustained-release theophylline		

\*inhaled glucocorticosteroids

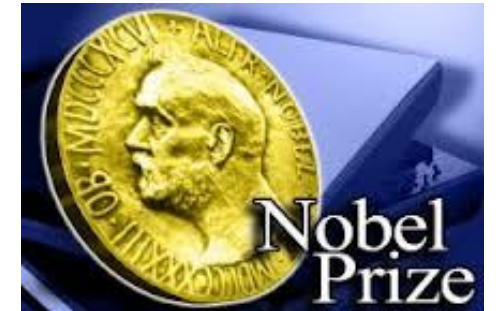
\*\* receptor antagonist or synthesis inhibitors

## Targeting airway inflammation: an unmet need





# ***BERLIN-CHEMIE*** **MENARINI**



***20 mg tablets contains:***

- The active substance is bilastine. Each tablet contains 20 mg of bilastine.***
- The other ingredients are cellulose microcrystalline, sodium starch glycolate type A (derived from potato), colloidal anhydrous silica, magnesium stearate.***

**Nixar is indicated  
for children after  
12 years**



Bilastine 20mg :

**Nixar**, Bilastina, Ilaxten, Drynol, etc.

Bilastine approved in :

Spain, the UK, Ireland, Portugal, Germany,  
Denmark, Bulgaria, Sweden, Belgium,  
Lithuania, Georgia, etc. for treating seasonal &  
perennial allergic rhinoconjunctivitis &  
urticaria.



## Pharmacology

### Bioavailability

#### Interaction with food and grapefruit juice

Concomitant intake of **bilastine 20 mg** and

- **food or**
- **grapefruit juice**

**reduces the bioavailability of bilastine by 30%**

**→ Intake 1 hour before or 2 hours  
after intake of food or fruit juice**

SmPC Bilastine

## ***Taking other medicines***

***In particular, please discuss with your doctor if you are taking any of the following medicines:***

***Ketoconazole (an antifungal medicine)***

- ***Erythromycin (an antibiotic)***
- ***Diltiazem (to treat angina)***
- ***Cyclosporine (to reduce the activity of your immune system, thus avoiding transplant rejection or reducing disease activity in autoimmune and allergic disorders, such as psoriasis, atopic dermatitis or rheumatoid arthritis)***
- ***Ritonavir (to treat AIDS)***
- ***Rifampicin (an antibiotic)***

## Pharmacology

### $H_1$ - receptor selectivity

#### **vs. other histamine receptors <sup>1</sup>**

**No affinity for other histamine receptors**

- ( $H_2$ ,  $H_3$  and  $H_4$ )

#### **vs. other receptor types <sup>1</sup>**

**No clinically relevant affinity for 30 other receptors, including:**

- Serotonin → (Increased appetite) <sup>2</sup>
- Acetylcholine → (Dry mouth, urinary retention and sinus tachycardia) <sup>2</sup>
- Noradrenaline → (Hypotension, dizziness and reflex tachycardia) <sup>2</sup>
- Bradykinins
- Leukotrienes
- Calcium ...

→ Bilastine showed no affinity for other H- receptors

→ Bilastine showed no affinity for other important receptors



<sup>1</sup> Corcóstegui R. et al.; *Drugs R D* 2005; 6 (6): 371-384

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## Who needs?

## Patient with rhinitis



## Rhinoconjunctivitis



## Urticaria

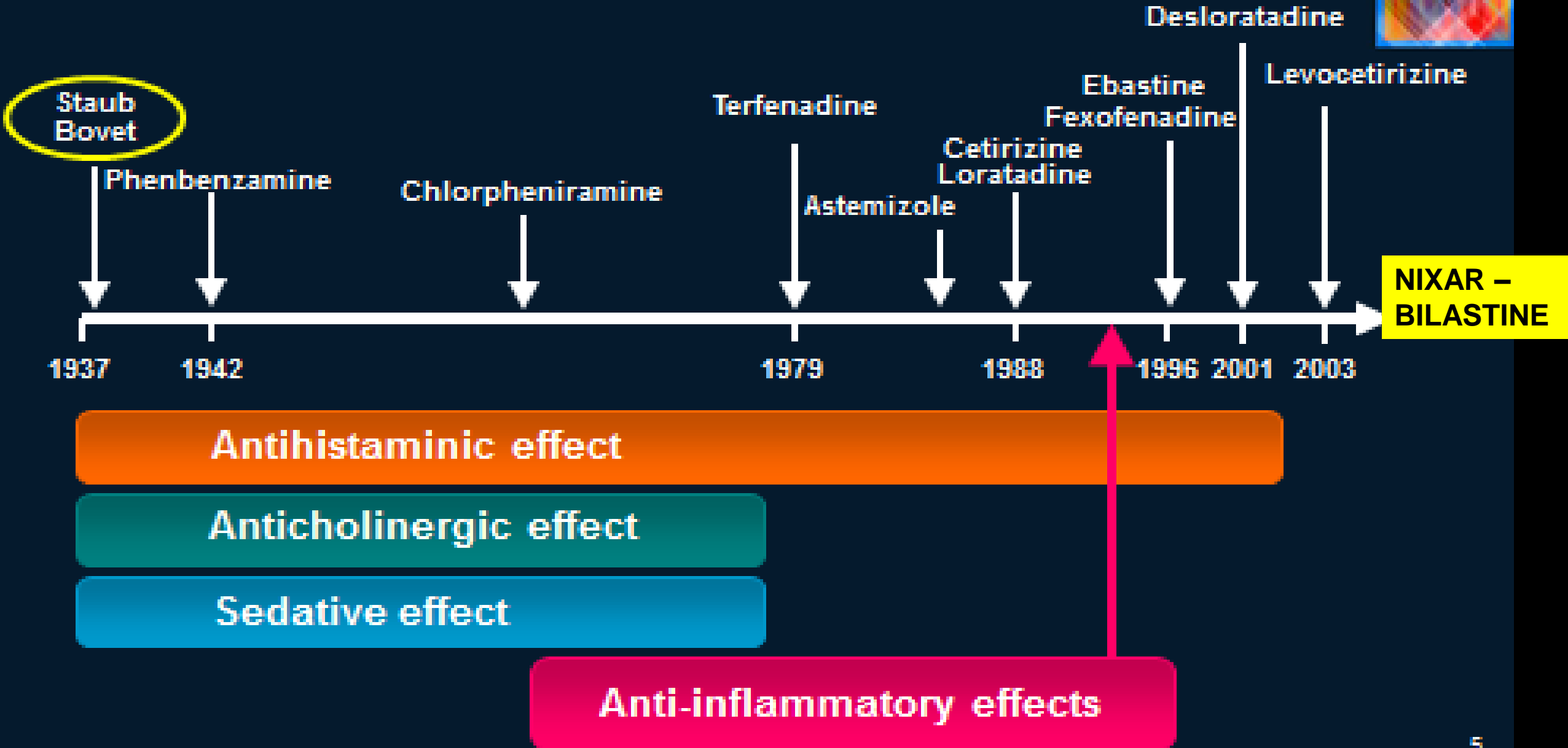
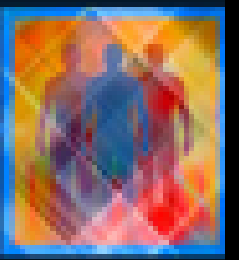


## Key Messages

**Bilastine the new non-sedating antihistamine  
fully complies with ARIA and EAACI guidelines**

- **Effective in allergic rhinitis and urticaria**
- **Fast onset of action: 1 hour**
- **Long duration of action: 24 hours**
- **Side effects on placebo level**
- **Sedation: no somnolence or fatigue**
- **No P450 metabolism (CYP450)**
- **No interaction with other drugs at hepatic level**
- **Clearly safe in elderly and patients with hepatic or renal impairment**
- **No potentiation of the effects of alcohol (on blood alcohol)**
- **No impairment of driving performance**
- **Convenient to use**

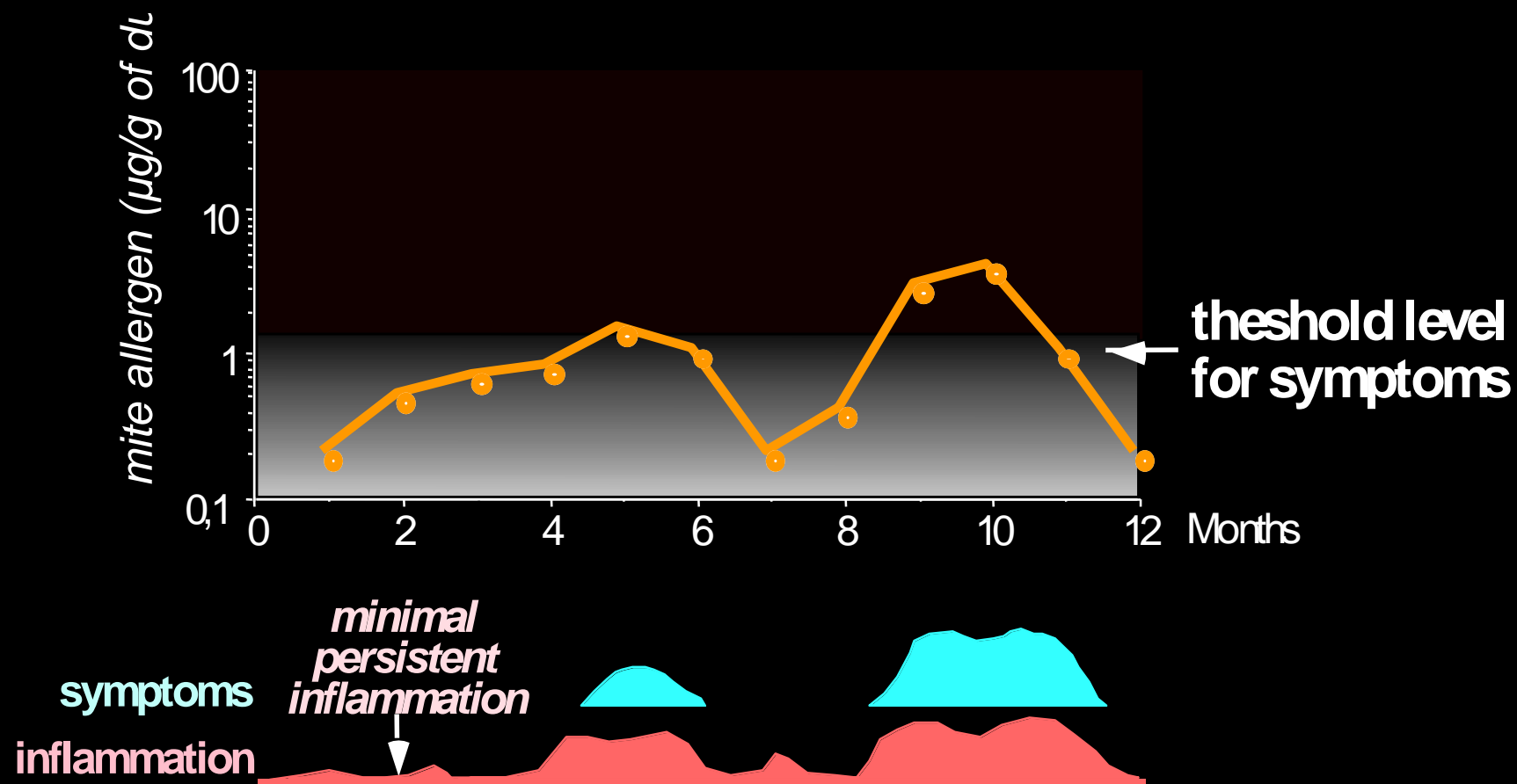
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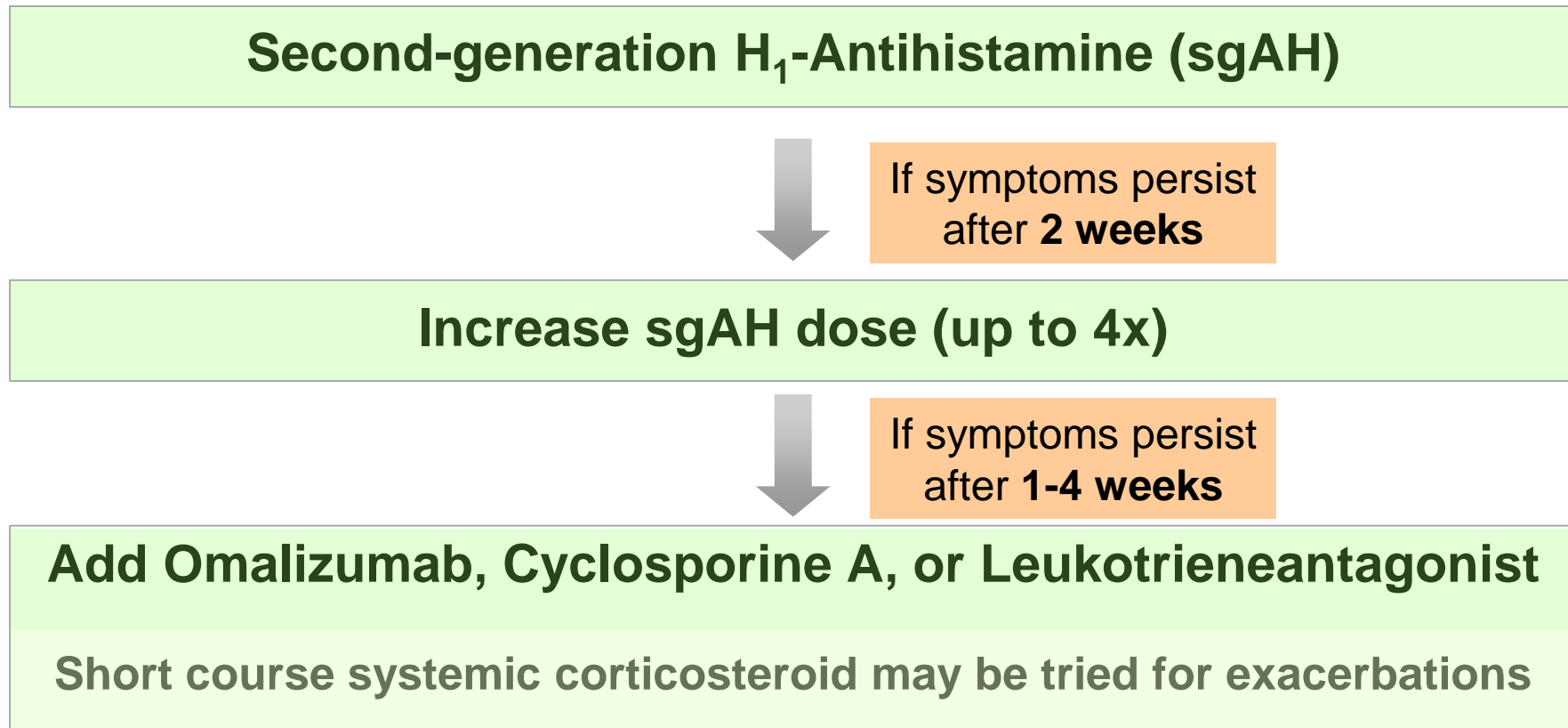
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Ciprandi et al, J Allergy Clin Immunol 1996



# EAACI / GA<sup>2</sup>LEN / EDF / WAO

## Urticaria Guidelines: 2012 Revision and Update



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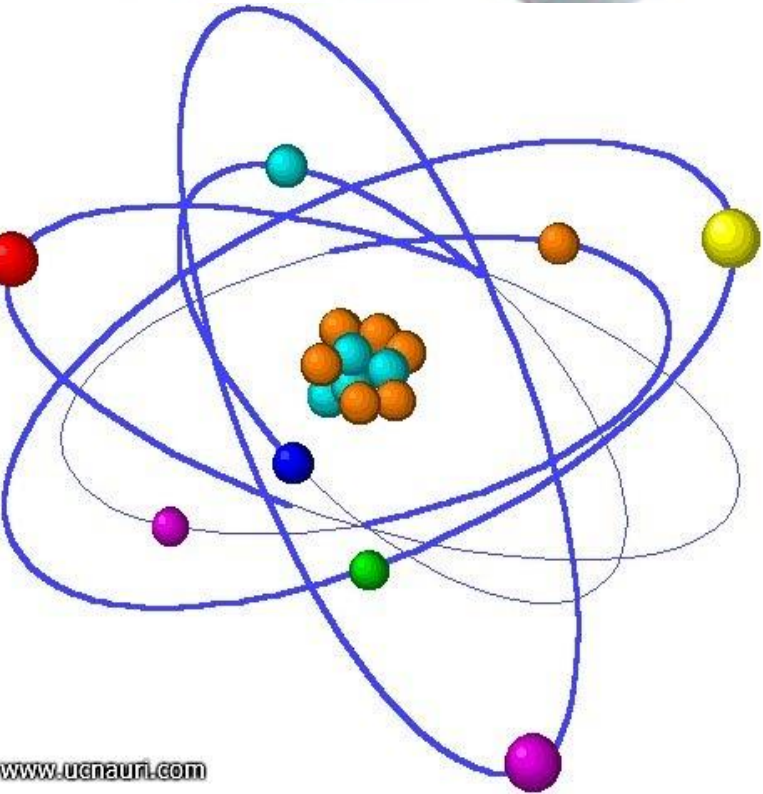
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SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL  
(1874 - 1965)





# New antihistamine **NIXAR – BILASTINE:** Perspectives in Allergy



*Thank you for your kind attention!!!*

