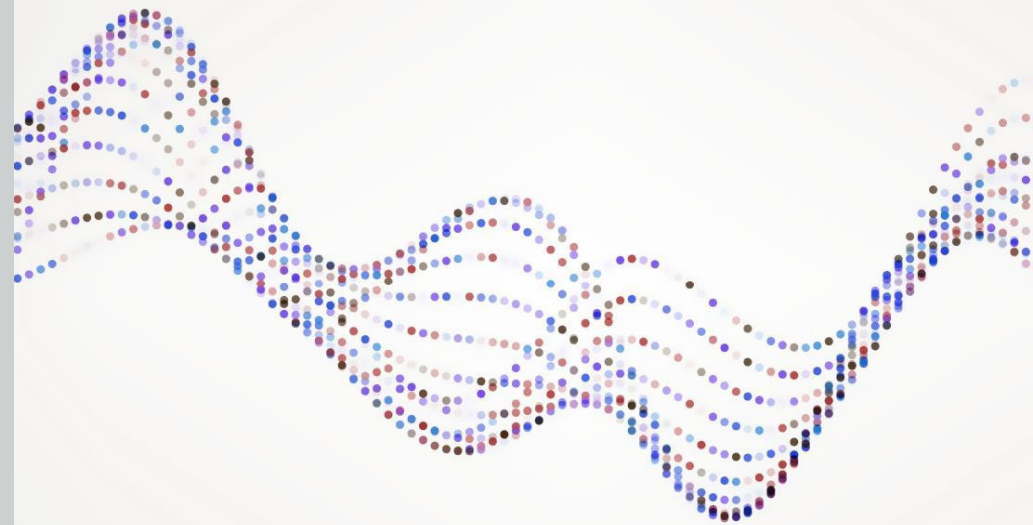


Updates in Primary Care

MAFP Big Mountain
Conference

1/30/26

Tyler Thorson, MD. FMRWM
Faculty



Disclosures

- Nothing fun
- By no means an expert, just a guy who nerds out about evidence

Objectives

1

Review most recent guidelines for HTN, COPD/Asthma, and DM₂

2

Discuss management of alcohol use disorder

3

Review age/gender appropriate preventative care



Kahoot

Case: 60 year old male presents for annual physical

- Past medical history significant for HTN, COPD, Tobacco use disorder (40 pack/year), and type 2 DM
- Medications include amlodipine, metoprolol, Symbicort, metformin, and glipizide
- No significant family history
- Denies illicit substance use.
- 10 alcoholic drinks per week

Case: 60 year old male presents for annual physical

- VS: 155/96. HR 52. RR 16. 92% on RA. Afebrile.
- A1c 8.2%
- AST 72, ALT 150, Alk phos 160

Hypertension

- New guidelines in 2025 with AHA
- Normal: $<120/80$
- Elevated: $120-129/<80$
- Stage 1: $130-139/80-89$
- Stage 2: $\geq 140/\geq 90$

Hypertension

- Treat everyone in Stage 2
 - Consider starting with a combined medication
- Consider screening all patients with stage 2 for hyperaldosteronism
 - Test ALL patients with resistant HTN despite their K levels
- Can use the PREVENT trial to help gauge risk
 - Start antihypertensives in 10 year risk >7.5%.

Hypertension

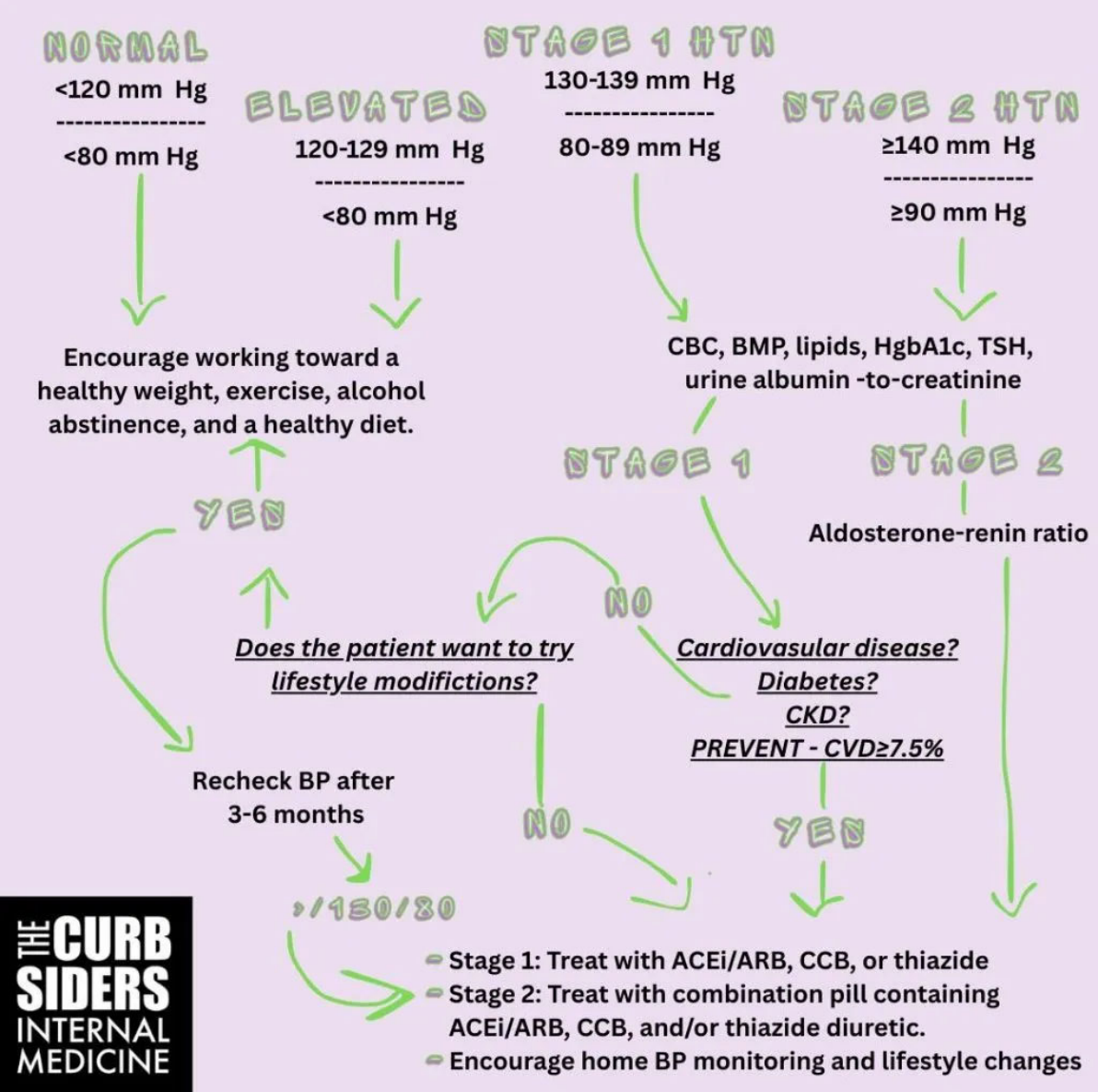
First line antihypertensives

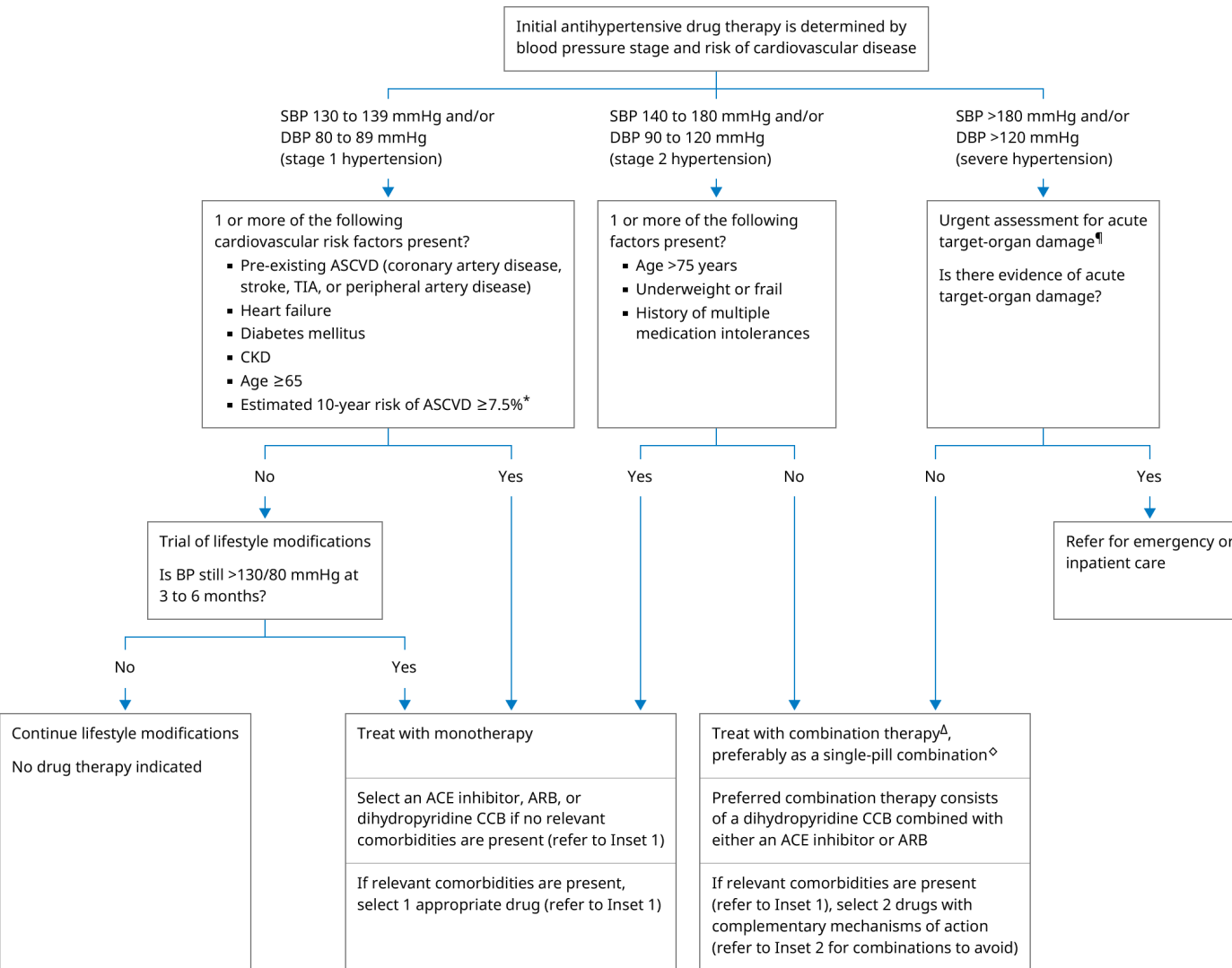
- ACEi/ARB
- Dihydropyridine calcium channel blocker
- Thiazide type diuretic

Second line

- Beta blocker
- Alpha blocker
- Mineralocorticoid antagonist (MRA)

Hypertension





Inset 1: Indications for specific drug classes

Osteoporosis, edema, calcium nephrolithiasis with hypercalciuria	Thiazide-like diuretic
CKD with albuminuria	ACE inhibitor or ARB
Atrial fibrillation	Beta blocker or nondihydropyridine CCB
Recent myocardial infarction	Beta blocker, ACE inhibitor, or ARB
Orthostatic hypotension	Dihydropyridine CCB, ACE inhibitor, or ARB
Heart failure with reduced, mildly reduced, or preserved ejection fraction	ACE inhibitors, ARBs, beta blockers, diuretics, mineralocorticoid receptor antagonists, and other medications
Patients who may become pregnant	Dihydropyridine CCB

Inset 2: Antihypertensive drug combinations to avoid

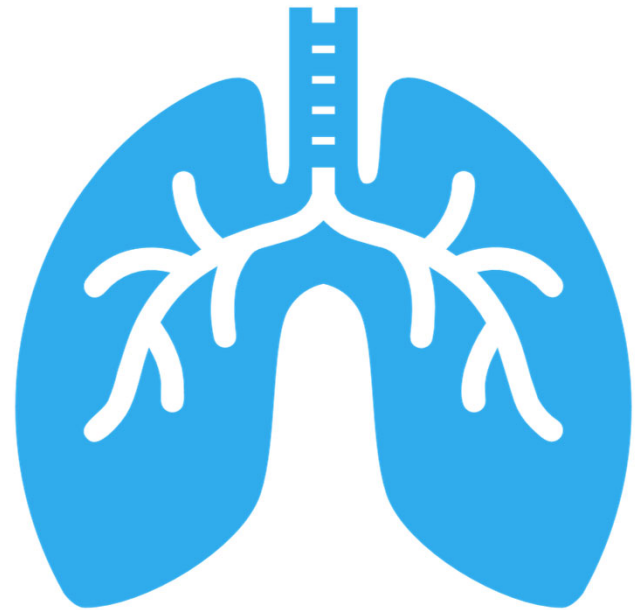
- An ACE inhibitor should not be combined with an ARB
- A beta blocker should not be combined with diltiazem or verapamil
- An alpha-1 adrenergic antagonist should not be combined with clonidine
- A beta blocker should not be combined with clonidine
- ACE inhibitors and ARBs should not be used in patients who may become pregnant

Asthma

- Reversible bronchoconstriction/obstruction in the small airways
- Diagnosis can be made with PFTs AND/OR clinical symptoms
 - Particularly in young children who may not be able to do PFTs
- Symptoms: coughing, wheezing, frequent respiratory infections

Pulmonary Function Testing/Spirometry

- **Spirometry** (preferred): Measures FEV₁, FVC, and FEV₁/FVC ratio.
- **Bronchodilator reversibility testing**: FEV₁ increase ≥12% and ≥200 mL (adults); ≥12% (children) after inhaled bronchodilator.
- **Peak Expiratory Flow (PEF)**: Used if spirometry unavailable; best of 3 readings, same meter for follow-up.
- **Bronchial challenge tests**: For equivocal cases.
- **Additional pediatric tests**: Impulse oscillometry, plethysmography, FeNO (especially in preschoolers).



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- Think about SMART here
- Track 1 is preferred, can do track 2 as well

Personalized Asthma Management

Assess, adjust, review for individual patient needs

Symptoms
Exacerbations
Side effects
Lung function
Coexisting conditions
Patient satisfaction

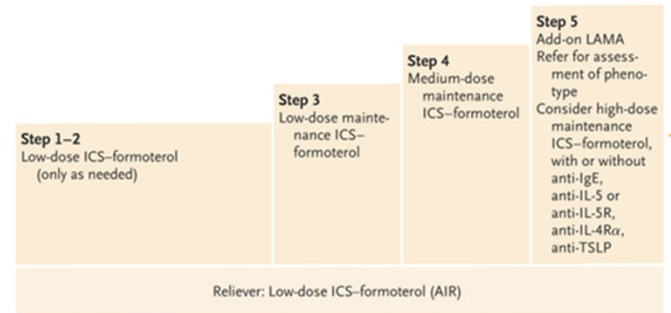


Confirmation of diagnosis if necessary
Symptom control and modifiable risk factors
Coexisting conditions
Inhaler technique and adherence
Patient preferences and goals

Treatment of modifiable risk factors and coexisting conditions
Nonpharmacologic strategies
Asthma medications (adjust down, up, or between tracks)
Education and skills training

Track 1: Preferred Controller and Reliever

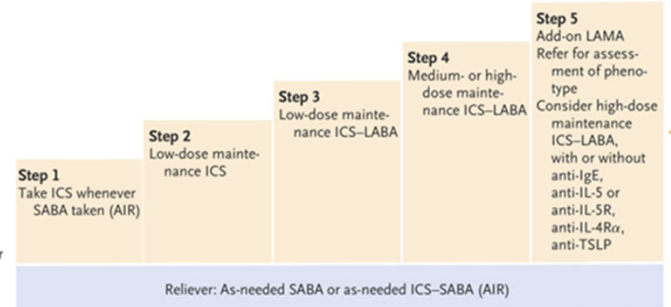
Use of ICS-formoterol as the reliever reduces the risk of exacerbations as compared with the use of a SABA reliever and is a simpler regimen



See GINA guidelines for severe asthma

Track 2: Alternative Controller and Reliever

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



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

Low-dose ICS whenever SABA taken (AIR), or daily LTRA, or add HDM SLIT	Medium-dose ICS or add LTRA, or add HDM SLIT	Add LAMA or LTRA or HDM SLIT, or switch to high-dose ICS	Add azithromycin (in adult patients) or LTRA As last resort, consider adding low-dose OCS but consider side effects
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Short acting beta agonist (SABA)

Inhaled corticosteroids (ICS)

Long acting beta agonist (LABA)

Leukotriene receptor antagonist (LTA)

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Combo inhalers

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relax tight muscles in airways and offer quick relief of symptoms such as coughing, wheezing and shortness of breath for 3-6 hours

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contains SABA to relax airway muscles and offer quick relief of symptoms, and inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) to reduce inflamed airways

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INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS (ICS)

reduce and prevent swelling of airway tissue; they do not relieve sudden symptoms of coughing, wheezing or shortness of breath

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MUSCARINIC ANTAGONISTS (ANTICHOLINERGICS)

relieve cough, sputum production, wheeze and chest tightness associated with chronic lung diseases

Atrovent® HFA 17 mcg ipratropium bromide C	Incruse® Ellipta® 62.5 mcg umecidinium inhalation powder C	Ipratropium Bromide Inhalation Solution 0.5/3 mg/3 mL B, C, N	Spiriva® HandiHaler® 18 mcg tiotropium bromide inhalation powder C	Spiriva® RespiMat® 1.25, 2.5 mcg tiotropium bromide A, C	Tudorza® Pressair® 400 mcg aclidinium bromide inhalation powder C	Yupelri® 175 mcg/3 mL roflumilast inhalation solution C, N
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COMBINATION MEDICATIONS

contain ICS and LABA

Advair Diskus® 100/50, 250/50, 500/50 mcg fluticasone propionate and salmeterol inhalation powder A, C, G	Advair® HFA 45/21, 115/21, 230/21 mcg fluticasone propionate and salmeterol xinafoate A, G	AirDuo® RespiClick® 55/14, 113/14, 232/14 mcg fluticasone propionate and salmeterol inhalation powder A, G	Breo® Ellipta® 50/25, 100/25, 200/25 mcg fluticasone furoate and vilanterol inhalation powder A, C, G	Breyna® 80/4.5, 160/4.5 mcg budesonide and formoterol fumarate dihydrate (approved generic of Symbricort) A, C	Dulera® 50/5, 100/5, 200/5 mcg fluticasone furoate and formoterol fumarate dihydrate A	Symbicort® 80/4.5, 160/4.5 mcg budesonide and formoterol fumarate dihydrate A, C, G	ixela Inhub® 100/50, 250/50, 500/50 mcg fluticasone propionate and salmeterol xinafoate (approved generic of Advair Diskus) A, G
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COMBINATION MEDICATIONS

contain LABA and long-acting muscarinic antagonist (LAMA)

Anoro® Ellipta® 62.5/25 mcg umecidinium and vilanterol inhalation powder C	Bevespi Aerosphere® 9/4.8 mcg glycopyrrolate and formoterol fumarate C	Duakir® Pressair® 400/12 mcg aclidinium bromide and formoterol fumarate C	Stiolto® RespiMat® 2.5/2.5 mcg tiotropium bromide and olodaterol C	Trelegy® Ellipta® 200/62.5/25 mcg, 100/62.5/25 mcg fluticasone furoate, umecidinium and vilanterol inhalation powder A, G	Breztri Aerosphere® 160/9/4.8 mcg budesonide, glycopyrrolate and formoterol fumarate C	Combivent RespiMat® 20/100 mcg ipratropium bromide and albuterol C	Ipratropium Bromide and Albuterol Sulfate Inhalation Solution 0.5mg/2.5mg; 3mL C, G
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COMBINATION MEDICATIONS

contain SABA and short-acting muscarinic antagonist (SAMA)

Cinqair® 62.5/25 mcg reslizumab A	Dupixent® 100, 200, 300 mg dupilumab A, C	Fasenra® 30 mg bamlanivimab A	Nucala® 100 mg mepolizumab A	Tezspire® 210 mg tezepelumab-cikfo A	Xolair® 75 to 375 mg omalizumab A
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Non-
pharmacologic
Treatment

Avoid triggers

Manage comorbidities

Home modifications (air purifier,
HEPA, etc)

Asthma action plan

01

Do PFTs/spirometry
in clinic

02

Think SMART right
away

03

Yearly asthma
action plans and
peak flows with
children/adolescents

04

Montelukast for
allergic type asthma

Asthma summary

COPD



**Chronic obstruction WITHOUT
reversibility**



**Diagnosis based on symptoms
AND PFTs.**

mMRC or CAT scoring

Modified MRC Dyspnea Scale

Figure 2.11

PLEASE TICK IN THE BOX THAT APPLIES TO YOU | ONE BOX ONLY | Grades 0 - 4

mMRC Grade 0	mMRC Grade 1	mMRC Grade 2	mMRC Grade 3	mMRC Grade 4
I only get breathless with strenuous exercise	I get short of breath when hurrying on the level or walking up a slight hill	I walk slower than people of the same age on the level because of breathlessness, or I have to stop for breath when walking on my own pace on the level	I stop for breath after walking about 100 meters or after a few minutes on the level	I am too breathless to leave the house or I am breathless when dressing or undressing
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Reference: American Thoracic Society. Am Rev Respir Dis 1982;126(5):952-6.



CAAT™ Assessment

Figure 2.12

For each item below, place a mark (x) in the box that best describes you currently. Be sure to only select one response for each question.

EXAMPLE: I am very happy	0 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5	I am very sad	Score
I never cough	0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5	I cough all the time	
I have no phlegm (mucus) in my chest at all	0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5	My chest is completely full of phlegm (mucus)	
My chest does not feel tight at all	0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5	My chest feels very tight	
When I walk up a hill or one flight of stairs I am not breathless	0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5	When I walk up a hill or one flight of stairs I am very breathless	
I am not limited doing any activities at home	0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5	I am very limited doing activities at home	
I am confident leaving my home despite my lung condition	0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5	I am not at all confident leaving my home because of my lung condition	
I sleep soundly	0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5	I don't sleep soundly because of my lung condition	
I have lots of energy	0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5	I have no energy at all	

Reference: Jones et al. ERJ 2009; 34 (3); 648-54.

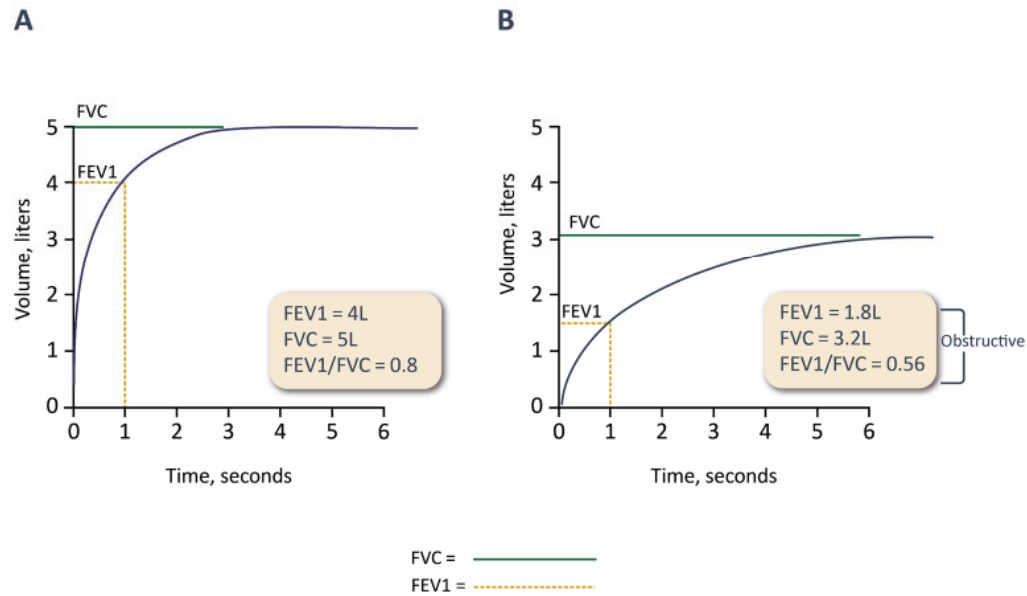
TOTAL SCORE:

CAT™ has been renamed as the Chronic Airways Assessment Test CAAT™; CAT™ and CAAT™ are equivalent and the scores are interchangeable.



A. Spirometry - Normal Trace B. Spirometry - Airflow Obstruction

Figure 2.5



GOLD Grades and Severity of Airflow Obstruction in COPD (based on post-bronchodilator FEV₁)

Figure 2.10

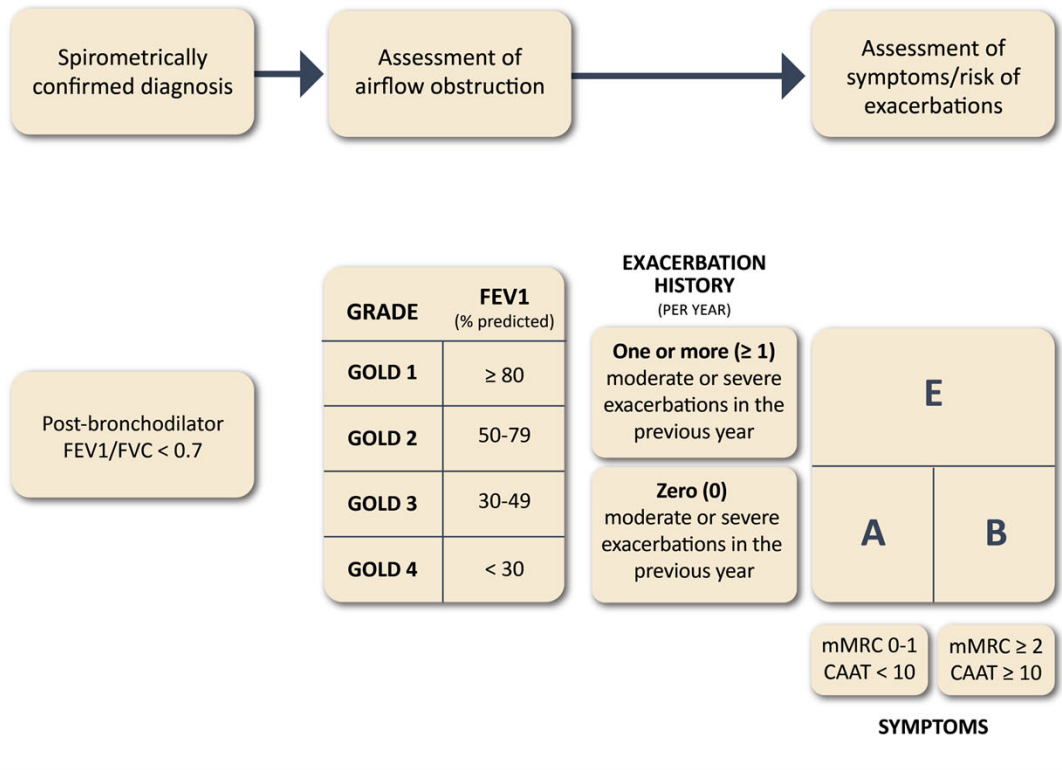
In patients with COPD (FEV₁/FVC < 0.7):

GOLD 1:	Mild	FEV ₁ ≥ 80% predicted
GOLD 2:	Moderate	50% ≤ FEV ₁ < 80% predicted
GOLD 3:	Severe	30% ≤ FEV ₁ < 50% predicted
GOLD 4:	Very Severe	FEV ₁ < 30% predicted



GOLD ABE Assessment Tool

Figure 2.13



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BIOLOGICS

target cells and pathways that cause airway inflammation; delivered by injection or IV

Cinqair® 62.5/25 mL reslizumab A	Dupixent® 100, 200, 300 mg dupilumab A, C	Fasenra® 30 mg becalimab A	Nucala® 100 mg mepolizumab A	Tezspire® 210 mg tezepelumab-cikko A	Xolair® 75 to 375 mg omalizumab A
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PDE3/4 INHIBITORS

control inflammation and reduce flare-ups

Ohtuvayre® 3 mg, 2.5 mL enzalutidine inhalation suspension C, N
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PDE4 INHIBITORS

control inflammation and reduce flare-ups

Daliresp® 250, 500 mcg roflumilast C

LEUKOTRIENE MODIFIERS

block chemicals called leukotrienes that cause airway inflammation; available as tablet or granules

Singulair® 4, 5, 10 mg montelukast A	Zafirlukast 10, 20 mg A	Zileuton 600 mg A
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Initial Pharmacological Treatment

Figure 3.8

Initiate Treatment

INITIAL treatment - for patients with COPD who are naïve to maintenance pharmacological treatment

EXACERBATION HISTORY (PER YEAR)

One or more (≥ 1)
moderate or severe
exacerbations in the
previous year

GROUP E

LABA + LAMA*

consider LABA+LAMA+ICS if blood eos ≥ 300*

Zero (0)
moderate or severe
exacerbations in
the previous year

GROUP A

A bronchodilator

mMRC 0-1, CAAT < 10

GROUP B

LABA + LAMA*

mMRC ≥ 2 , CAAT ≥ 10

SYMPTOMS

*Single inhaler therapy may be more convenient and effective than multiple inhalers; single inhalers improve adherence to treatment

Exacerbations refers to the number of exacerbations per year; eos: blood eosinophil count in cells per microliter; mMRC: modified Medical Research Council dyspnea questionnaire; CAAT™: Chronic Airways Assessment Test™.



Factors to Consider when Initiating ICS Treatment

Figure 3.10

Factors to consider when adding ICS to long-acting bronchodilators:

(note the scenario is different when considering ICS withdrawal)

STRONGLY FAVORS USE

History of hospitalization(s) for exacerbations of COPD[#]

≥ 2 moderate exacerbations of COPD per year[#]

Blood eosinophils ≥ 300 cells/μL

History of, or concomitant asthma

FAVORS USE

1 moderate exacerbation of COPD per year[#]

Blood eosinophils 100 to < 300 cells/μL

AGAINST USE

Repeated pneumonia events

Blood eosinophils < 100 cells/μL

History of mycobacterial infection

[#]despite appropriate long-acting bronchodilator maintenance therapy (see Figures 3.8 & A3.1 for recommendations); *note that blood eosinophils should be seen as a continuum; quoted values represent approximate cut-points; eosinophil counts are likely to fluctuate.

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Non-Pharmacological Management of COPD*

Figure 3.15

Patient Group	Essential	Recommended	Depending on Local Guidelines
A	Smoking cessation (can include pharmacological treatment)	Physical activity	Influenza vaccination COVID-19 vaccinations Pneumococcal vaccination Pertussis vaccination Shingles vaccination RSV vaccination
B and E	Smoking cessation (can include pharmacological treatment) Pulmonary rehabilitation	Physical activity	Influenza vaccination COVID-19 vaccinations Pneumococcal vaccination Pertussis vaccination Shingles vaccination RSV vaccination

*Can include pharmacological treatment





Use Spirometry in clinic to get FEV/FVC ratio <math>< 0.7</math> is diagnostic



Categorize into A, B, or E. E = exacerbations Based on mMRC or CAT score



ICS is LAST treatment option, increase risk of pneumonia



Can consider roflumilast for recurrent hospitalizations

COPD
Take away



Type 2 Diabetes

Screening/Diagnosis

- Adults aged 35-70 who have overweight or obesity
- Can be with fasting blood sugar, A1c, or glucose challenge
- Frequency is variable, every 1-3 years depending on guideline you follow
- Diagnostic criteria
 - A1c $\geq 6.5\%$
 - Fasting glucose ≥ 126 mg/dl
 - 2 hour OGTT ≥ 200
 - Random plasma glucose ≥ 200 with classic symptoms of hyperglycemia

Glucose centric
(HbA_{1c})



Complications centric
(ASCVD, CKD, HF)



Pathogenesis centric
(obesity, insulin resistance)

Equity

Environment, housing, employment, education, food and nutrition, physical activity, safety, discrimination, racism

Access and affordability

Healthcare, drugs, diabetes technology

Efficacy for:

- ↓ Risk of comorbidities and complications
- Weight loss
- Glucose lowering

Safety considerations of:

- Adverse events
- Hypoglycaemia
- Burden of treatment

Antihyperglycaemic drugs



Efficacy of drugs

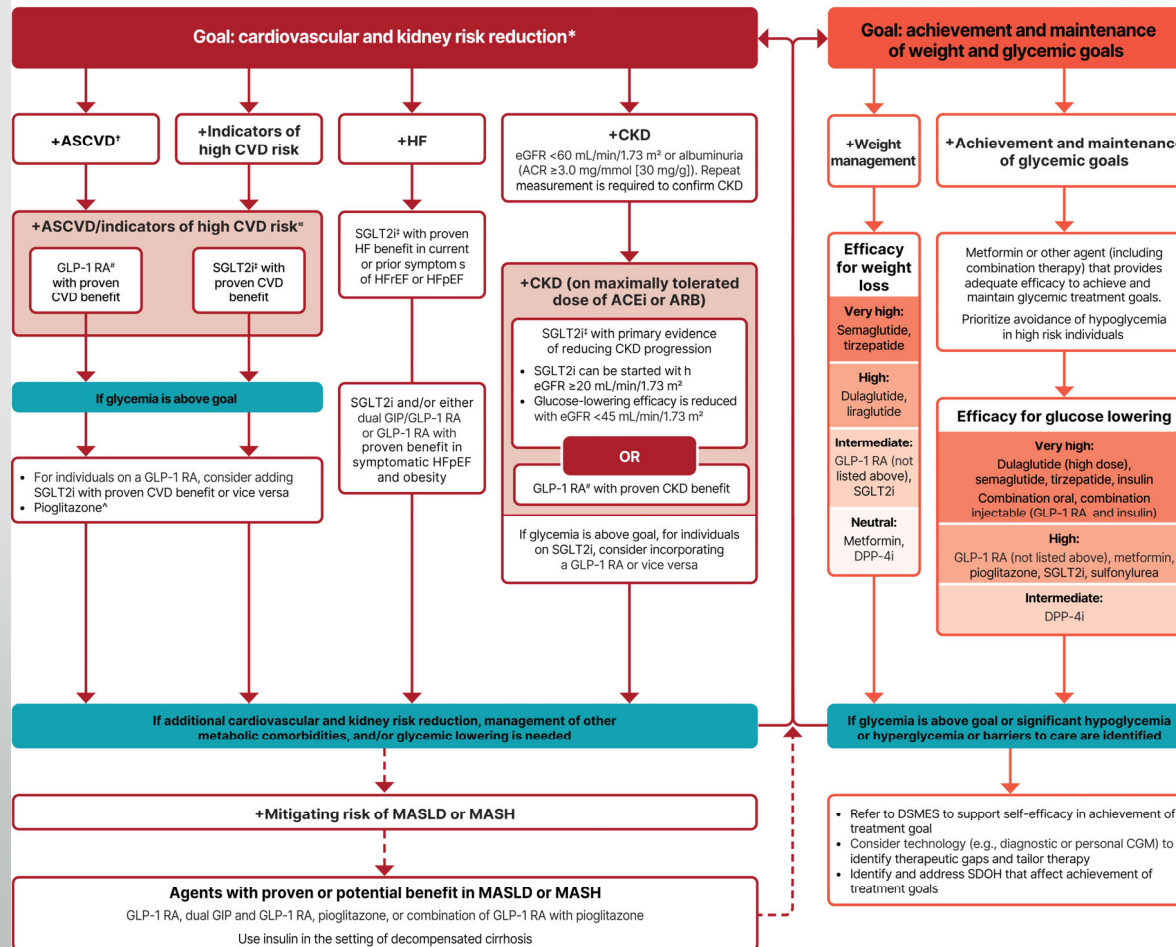
- ↓ Risk of comorbidities and complications (ASCVD, CKD, HF, death): GLP1RA, SGLT2i
- ↓ Weight: GIP-GLP1RA > GLP1RA > SGLT2i >>> metformin
- ↓ Glucose: GIP-GLP1RA, GLP1RA, insulin* > SGLT2i, metformin, SU, thiazolidinedione† > DPP4i

Use of glucose-lowering medications in the management of type 2 diabetes

(For recommendations for specific conditions, including non-glucose-lowering medications, refer to pertinent sections)

Healthy lifestyle behaviors; diabetes self-management education and support; social determinants of health

To avoid therapeutic inertia, reassess and modify treatment regularly (3-6 months)



Metformin

Works by decreasing hepatic glucose production, intestinal absorption of glucose, and improve insulin sensitivity.

Generally considered first line treatment.

Dose range 500mg-2000mg daily

Side effects: diarrhea, b12 deficiency

Don't start if eGFR is <30

Questionable mortality benefit?

Sulfonylureas

- Directly stimulate insulin release from pancreatic beta cells.
- Options include glimepiride, glyburide, and glipizide
- Hypoglycemia is most common side effect
- Possible weight gain as well
- No mortality benefit



THIAZOLIDINEDIONES

Enhance insulin sensitivity in muscle and adipose tissue, inhibit hepatic glucose production

Pioglitazone is most common prescribed

Common adverse effects and weight gain and fluid retention (avoid in HFrEF)

Black box warning for increased fracture risk, avoid with known osteopenia/osteoporosis

No mortality benefit

DDP₄I

- Blocks an enzyme that degrades incretin peptides GLP₁ and 2, also stimulate beta cell secretion of insulin
- These are your –glitpin medications
- Saxagliptin and aloglitpin may increase risk of heart failure
- Otherwise very well tolerated, easy administration (once daily)
- No improved CV/mortality benefits



Slg2 inhibitors

Increase urinary excretion of glucose. Block reabsorption in the proximal tubule

These are your –flozin medications

Most common side effects are recurrent GU infections.

Watch for Fournier's and euglycemic DKA

Stop 3 days prior to any surgery

Some of the best composite morbidity and mortality benefits

GLP₁ receptor agonist



Stimulate insulin secretion after glucose ingestion via the incretin effect.



SQ injections, either daily or weekly



These are your *-tide* medications



Exceptional weight loss and CV benefits including stroke



Common side effects are GI upset, pancreatitis



Can worsen diabetic retinopathy

GIP-GLP₁RA

Similar action to GLP₁RA alone but GIP has more effect on adipose tissue with insulin sensitization

Tirzepatide

Similar side effect profile to GLP₁RA

Alcohol Use Disorder

- Naltrexone safe to use in cirrhosis
- VA Study with ~3,500 participants, carried dx of cirrhosis, AST/ALT either 2x or 5x upper limit of normal.
- No increase in drug induced liver injury

Preventative Care

- Cervical cancer screening with HPV only
 - Primary screening with HPV only every 5 years preferred per ACS, USPSTF update in progress
- Prostate cancer screening
 - After 23 years, landmark study showed ARR 0.22%
- Breast cancer screening
 - USPSTF updated guidelines in 2024 to support biennial screening starting at age 40