## **ATS/ERS Clinical Guidelines Summary For Interpreting FeNO levels**

Measuring airway inflammation with NObreath<sup>®</sup> can help monitor the effectiveness of medication and can be used to predict the risk of Asthma attacks<sup>1\*</sup>.

Aid in diagnosis using the NObreath® FeNO device							
FeNO (ppb) Levels	LOW <25ppb (<20ppb in children)	INTERMEDIATE 25-50ppb (20-35ppb in children)	HIGH >50ppb (>35ppb in children) or rise in FeNO of >40% from previously stable levels				
Symptomatic (chronic cough and/or wheeze and/or shortness	Eosinophilic airway inflammation unlikely Alternative diagnosis	Be cautious Evaluate clinical context	Eosinophilic airway inflammation present				
of breath during past 6 wk)	Unlikely to benefit from ICS	Monitor change in FeNO over time	Likely to benefit from ICS				

Alternative considerations (if Allergic Asthma has been dismissed)<sup>2</sup>

Non-Allergic Asthma	Chronic cough •	Vocal Cord Disfunction	• GERD
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Monitoring (in patients with diagnosed asthma) using the NObreath® FeNO device

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Symptomatic (chronic cough and/or wheeze and/or shortness of breath during past 6 wk)	Possible alternative diagnosis. Unlikely to benefit from increase in ICS	Persistent allergen exposure Inadequate ICS dose Poor adherence Steroid resistance	Persistent allergen exposure Poor adherence or inhaler technique Inadequate ICS dose Risk of Exacerbation
Symptoms Absent	Adequate ICS dose Good adherence ICS taper	Adequate ICS dosing Good adherence Monitor Change in FeNO	Steroid resistance ICS withdrawal or dose reduction may result in relapse

## **Treatment Planning**

#### FeNO testing with the NObreath<sup>®</sup> couldn't be easier:

# Test, Treat, Repeat<sup>™</sup>



Regular FeNO measurements indicate levels of airway inflammation, which can help Healthcare Professionals personalise treatment plans for patients, by helping titrate ICS dosing and evaluate patient adherence to treatment.

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\*FeNO is not a definitive indication of asthma and should be used in conjunction with (but not limited to) spirometry, patient history, symptoms.

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