

General outline for FeNO interpretation¹

Symptoms refer to cough and/or wheeze and/or shortness of breath*

Symptom Assessment	FeNO < 25ppb (<20 ppb in children)	FeNO 25-50 ppb (20-35 ppb in children)	FeNO > 50 ppb (>35 ppb in children)
		Diagnosis	
Symptoms have occurred during the past 6+ weeks	 Eosinophilic airway inflammation unlikely Alternative diagnoses Unlikely to benefit from ICS 	Be cautiousEvaluate clinical contextMonitor change in FeNO over time	Eosinophilic airway inflammation presentLikely to benefit from ICS
	Monitoring (in Patients with Diagnosed Asthma)		
Symptoms are present	Possible alternative diagnoses 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 for exacerbation Steriod resistance
Symptoms are absent	Adequate ICS doseGood adherenceICS taper	Adequate ICS dosingGood adherenceMonitor change in FeNO	 ICS withdrawal or dose reduction may result in relapse Poor adherence or inhaler technique

Definition of abbreviations: FeNO = fraction of exhaled nitric oxide; ICS = inhaled corticosteroid.

* The interpretation of FeNO is an adjunct measure to history, physical exam, and lung function assessment.

1. R. A. Dweik, et. al, Am. J. Respir., 2011; vol. 184, pp. 602–615.

One Test is Not Enough

One FeNO test can only tell you so much, but establishing an ongoing FeNO testing arrangement with patients helps harmonize personalized treatment guidance, dose titration, and patient adherence.

We call this cyclical process **Fenom Test-Treat-Test™**

