

Thorax

The Journal of the British Thoracic Society

Editorials	175	In what way may race, ethnicity or culture influence asthma outcomes? <i>M R Partridge</i>
Original articles	177	Asthma education and quality of life in the community: a randomised controlled study to evaluate the impact on white European and Indian subcontinent ethnic groups from socioeconomically deprived areas in Birmingham, UK <i>H Moudgil, T Marshall, D Honeybourne</i>
	184	Relationship between exhaled nitric oxide and mucosal eosinophilic inflammation in mild to moderately severe asthma <i>S Lim, A Jatakanon, S Meah, T Oates, K F Chung, P J Barnes</i>
	189	Is there any relationship between plasma antioxidant capacity and lung function in smokers and in patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease? <i>I Rahman, E Swarska, M Henry, J Stolk, W MacNee</i>
	194	Lack of association between ipratropium bromide and mortality in elderly patients with chronic obstructive airway disease <i>D D Sin, J V Tu</i>
	198	Airflow obstruction in bronchiectasis: correlation between computed tomography features and pulmonary function tests <i>H R Roberts, A U Wells, D G Milne, M B Rubens, J Kolbe, P J Cole, D M Hansell</i>
	205	Exhaled 8-isoprostane as a new non-invasive biomarker of oxidative stress in cystic fibrosis <i>P Montuschi, S A Kharitonov, G Ciabatonni, M Corradi, L van Rensen, D M Geddes, M E Hodson, P J Barnes</i>
	210	Management of opportunist mycobacterial infections: Joint Tuberculosis Committee guidelines 1999 <i>Subcommittee of the Joint Tuberculosis Committee of the British Thoracic Society</i>
	219	Severity prediction rules in community acquired pneumonia: a validation study <i>W S Lim, S Lewis, J T Macfarlane</i>
	224	Randomised prospective parallel trial of therapeutic versus subtherapeutic nasal continuous positive airway pressure on simulated steering performance in patients with obstructive sleep apnoea <i>M Hack, R J O Davies, R Mullins, S J Choi, S Ramdassingh-Dow, C Jenkinson, J R Stradling</i>
Short paper	232	Non-invasive markers of airway inflammation as predictors of oral steroid responsiveness in asthma <i>S A Little, G W Chalmers, K J MacLeod, C McSharry, N C Thomson</i>
Occasional reviews	235	Association of sputum parameters with clinical and functional measurements in asthma <i>E Rosi, G Scano</i>
	239	Asthma and poverty <i>R J Rona</i>
Case reports	245	Superior vena cava obstruction caused by radiation induced venous fibrosis <i>J W G Van Putten, N J J Schlosser, Z Vujaskovic, A H D Van Der Leest, H J M Groen</i>
	247	Mitral stenosis obscuring the diagnosis of plexogenic pulmonary arteriopathy and familial pulmonary hypertension <i>D Langleben, E Lamoureux, F Marcotte, R Schlesinger, L Dragatakis, M J Crowe, Y Langlois, F Lemire, M White</i>
	249	Bronchiolitis obliterans organising pneumonia associated with the use of nitrofurantoin <i>R J Cameron, J Kolbe, M L Wilsher, N Lambie</i>
Letters to the editor	251	Systematic review of antistaphylococcal antibiotic therapy in cystic fibrosis <i>A Smyth, S Walters, R Smyth, K McCaffery, R E Olver, M Franklin, S Mukhopadhyay</i> • Therapeutic ratio of inhaled fluticasone <i>B J Lipworth, R J Meijer, H A M Kerstjens, D S Postma</i> • “Systematic review” of asthma education studies <i>G Douglas, L Osman, T Perneger, P Sudre, C Uldry, S Jacquemet</i>
Miscellaneous	254	Book reviews • Notices • Corrections

The illustration on the front cover is from the article entitled “Mitral stenosis obscuring the diagnosis of plexogenic pulmonary arteriopathy and familial pulmonary hypertension” by D Langleben et al which appears on pp 247–8.

This issue live and online

www.thoraxjnl.com