

# Diagnóstico de Asma en Preescolares



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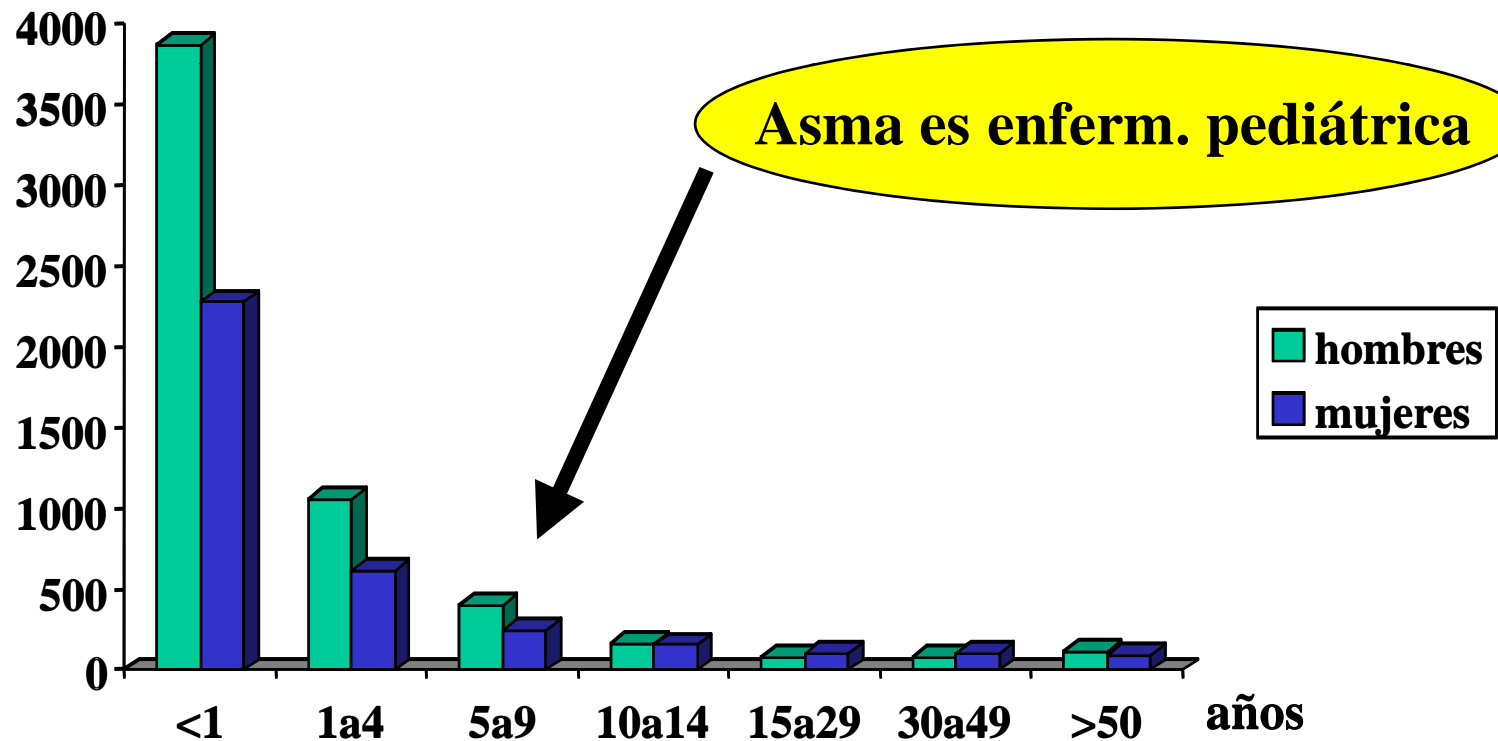
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# Incidencia anual Asma, US: 1964-1983

(tasa x 100,00 personas/año)



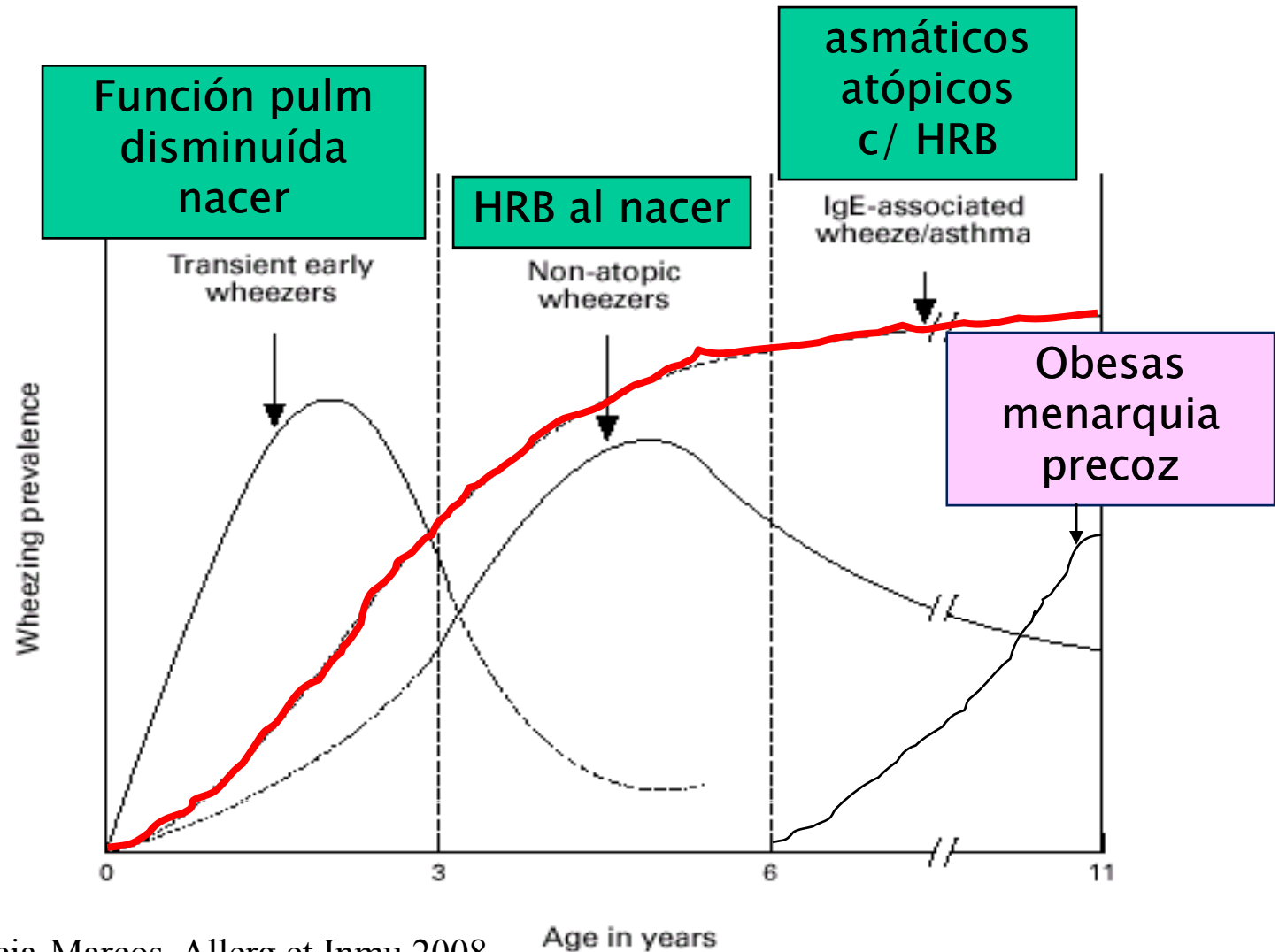
Yunginger, et al. Am Rev Resp Dis 1992

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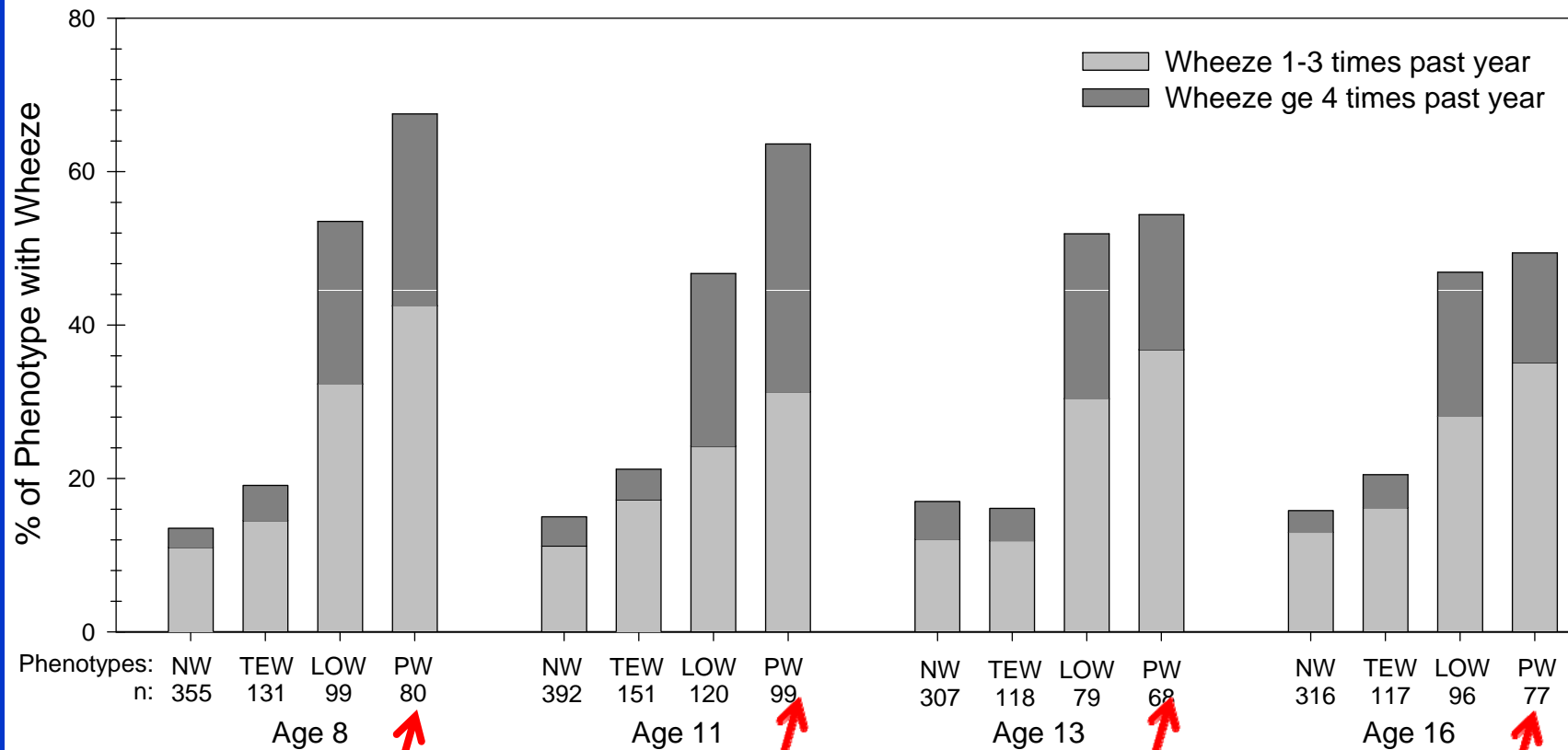
# Niños: 4 Diferentes Fenotipos de Asmas/Sibilancias

Cohorte Tucson, US



# Clinical Outcomes of Wheezing Phenotypes in Early Life

Tucson Birth Cohort, AZ

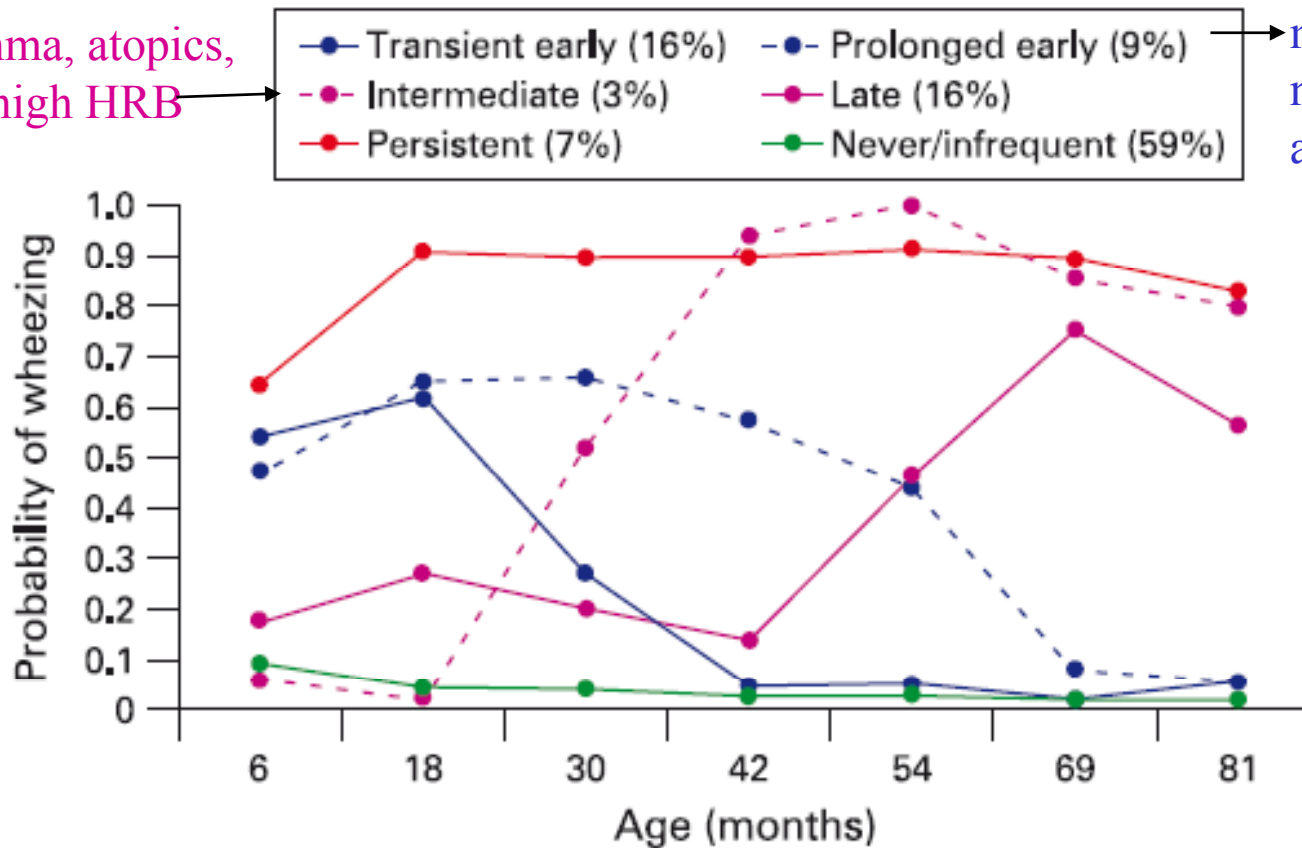


NW: never wheeze, TEW: transient early wheeze  
 LOW: late onset wheeze, PW: persistent wheeze

# The ALSPAC Birth Cohort Study

maternal asthma, atopics,  
lowest PFT, high HRB

maternal asthma,  
non atopics, PFT  
anormal, low HRB

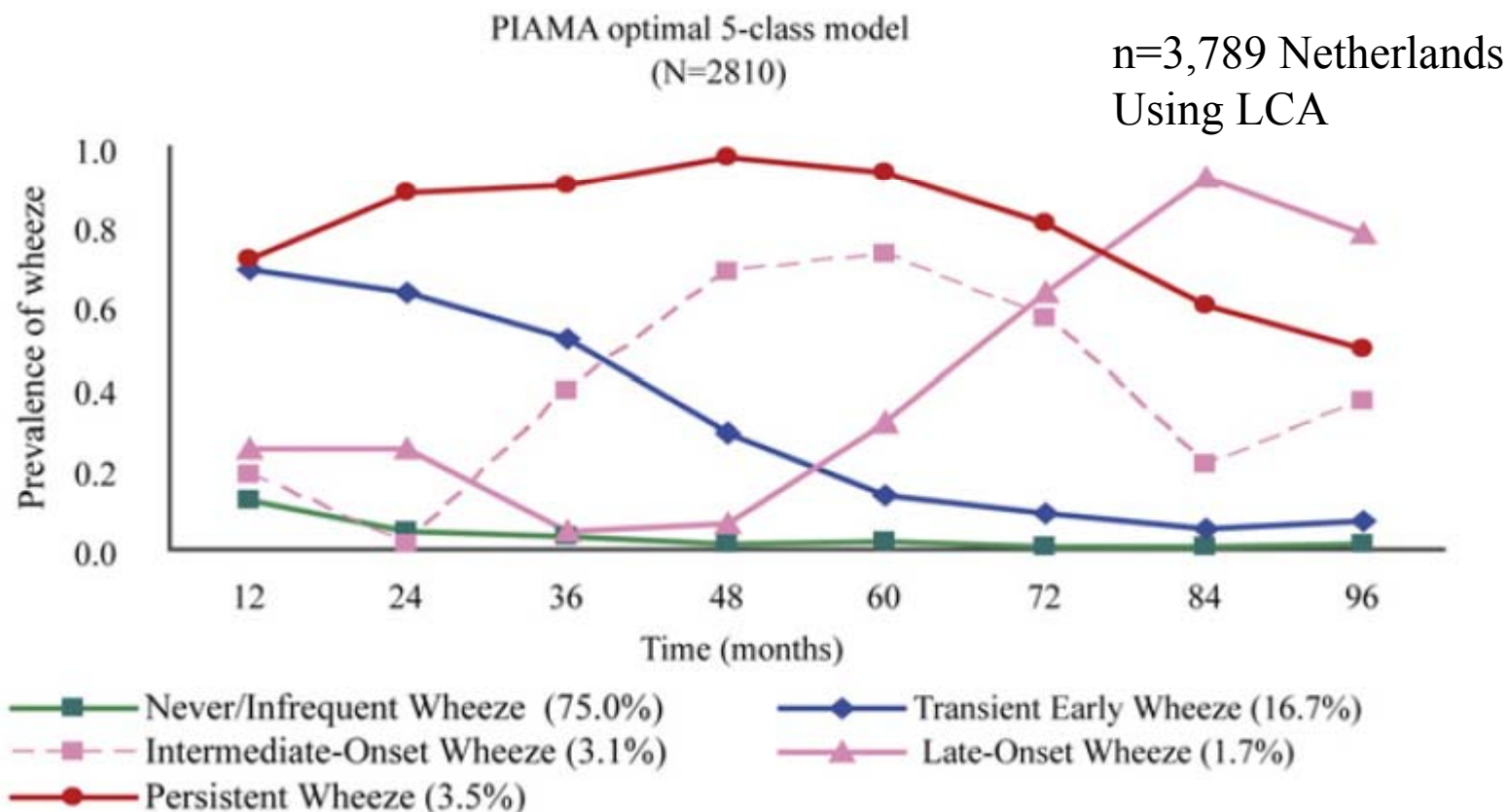


n=6265, UK  
using LCA

**Table 5** Strength and direction of associations between derived phenotypes and clinical outcomes

Phenotype	Asthma	Atopy	FEV <sub>1</sub>	FEF <sub>25-75</sub>	AHR
Transient early	√	×	↓	↓	↑
Prolonged early	√√	×	↓	↓↓	↑
Intermediate onset	√√√√	√√	↓↓	↓↓	↑↑
Late onset	√√√	√√	↓	↓	↑↑
Persistent	√√√√	√	↓↓	↓↓	↑↑

# Comparison wheezing phenotypes in 2 birth cohort



**FIG 2.** Estimated prevalence of wheeze at each time point from birth to age 8 years for each wheezing phenotype in PIAMA optimal 5-class model (N = 2810).

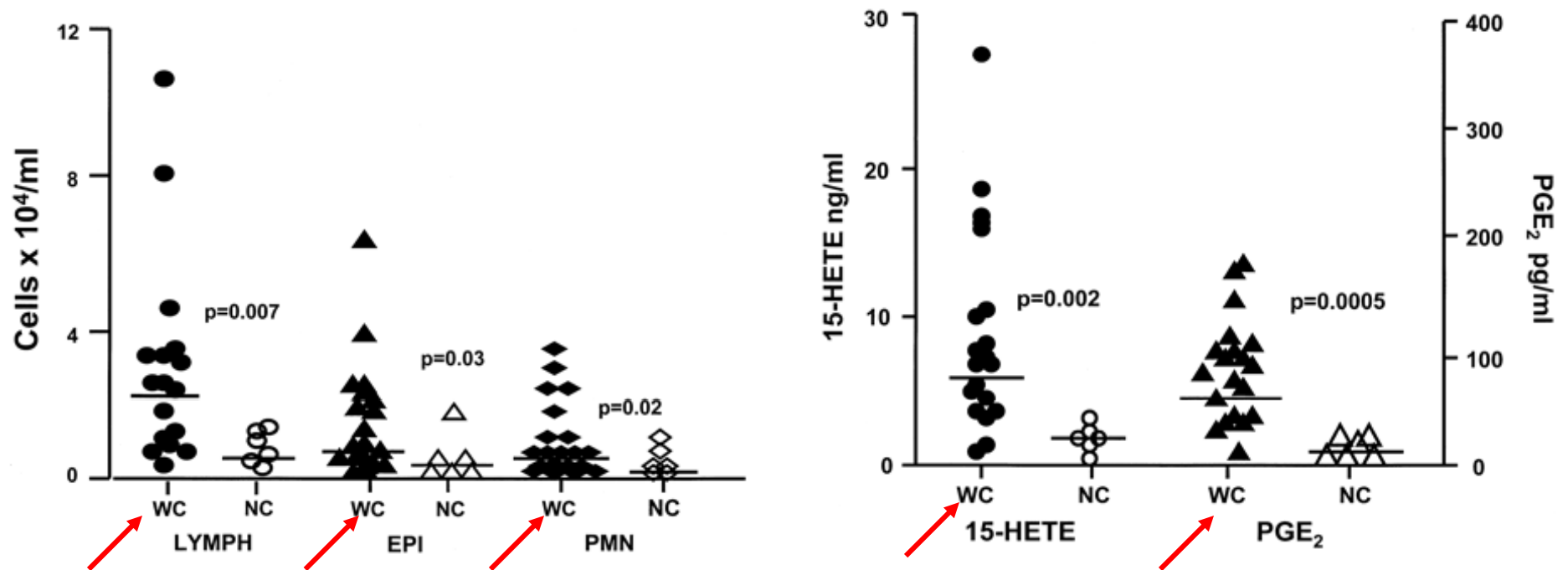


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# *Persistent* Wheezing in very young Children is associated with lower respiratory inflammation

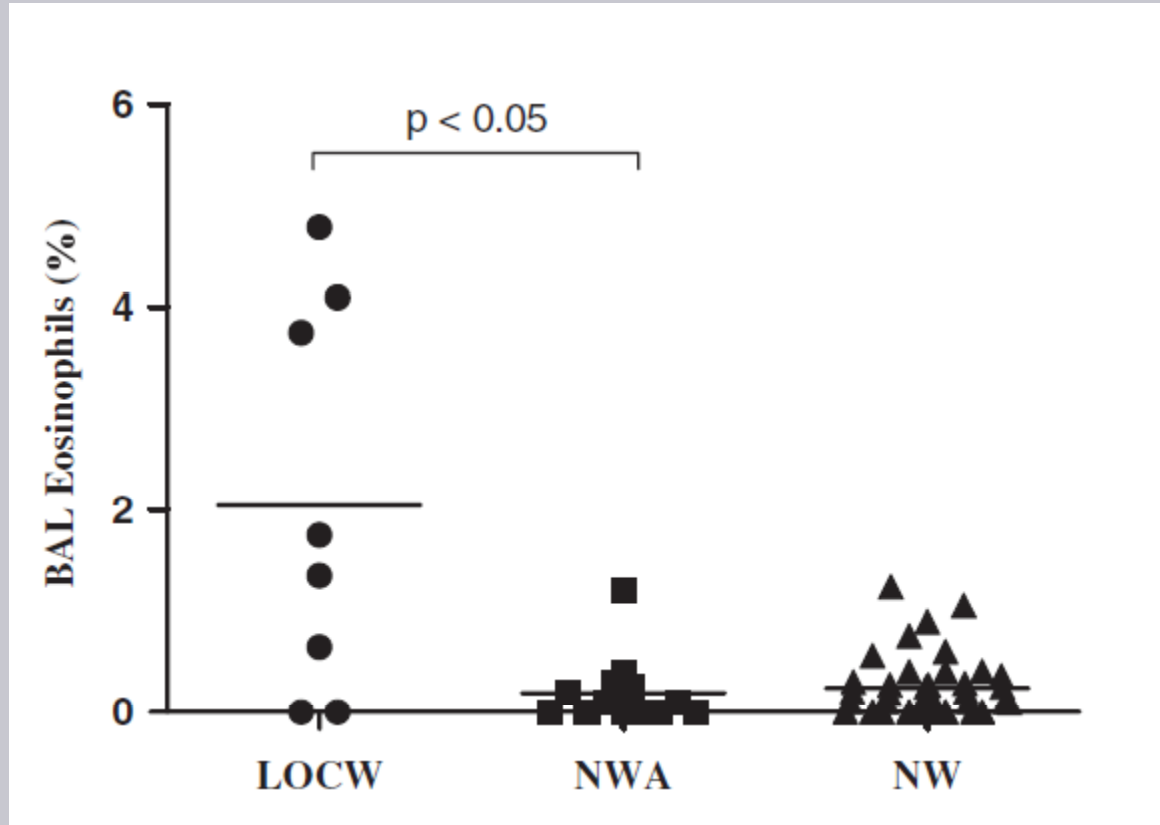
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n: 20 persistent wheezing children (14.9 months) WC  
n: 6 (23.3 months) NC

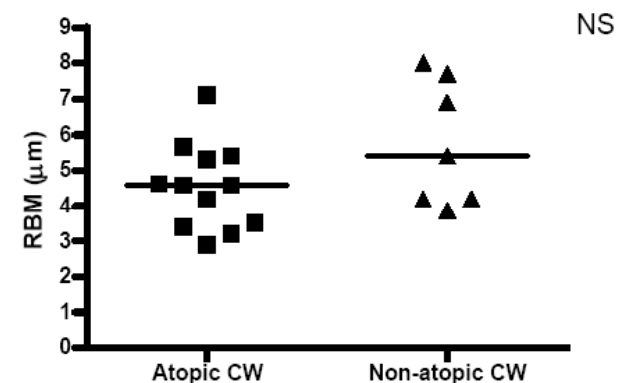
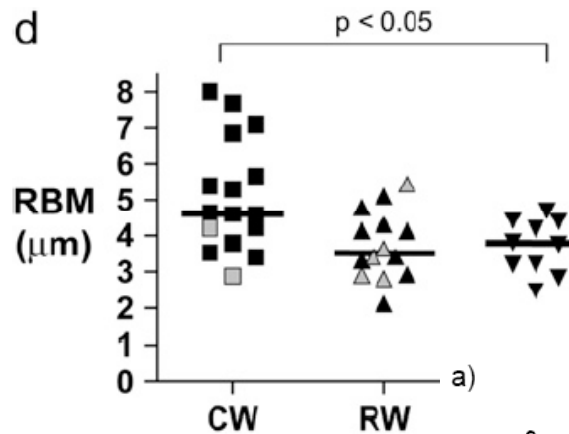
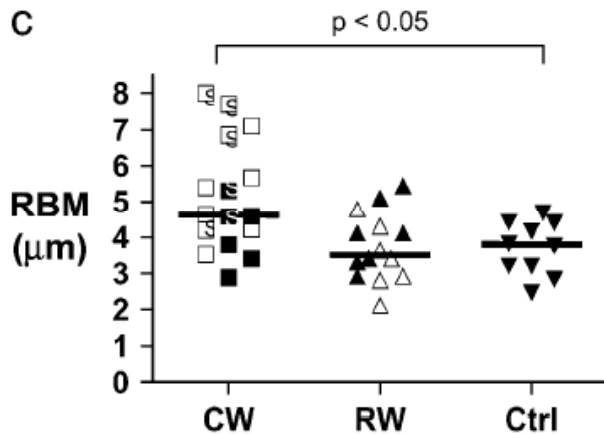
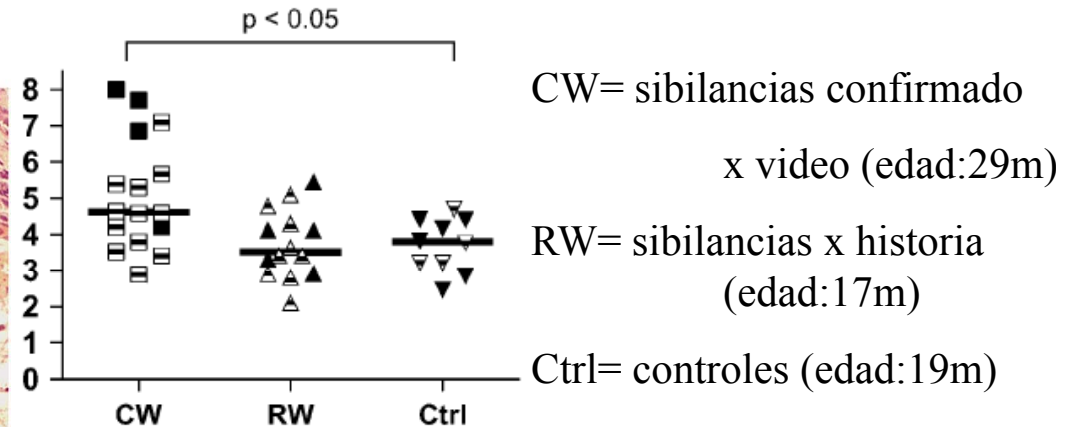
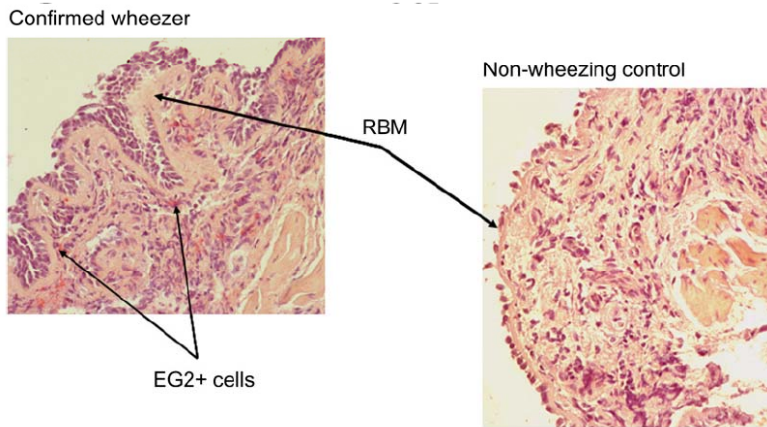
# Does airway allergic inflammation pre-exist before late onset wheeze in children?

n=62, healthy at 3.3 yrs, UK  
LBA non-bronchoscopy



Late onset childhood wheezers (n=8)  
Non-wheezers with other atopy (n=13)  
Non-wheezers (n=54)

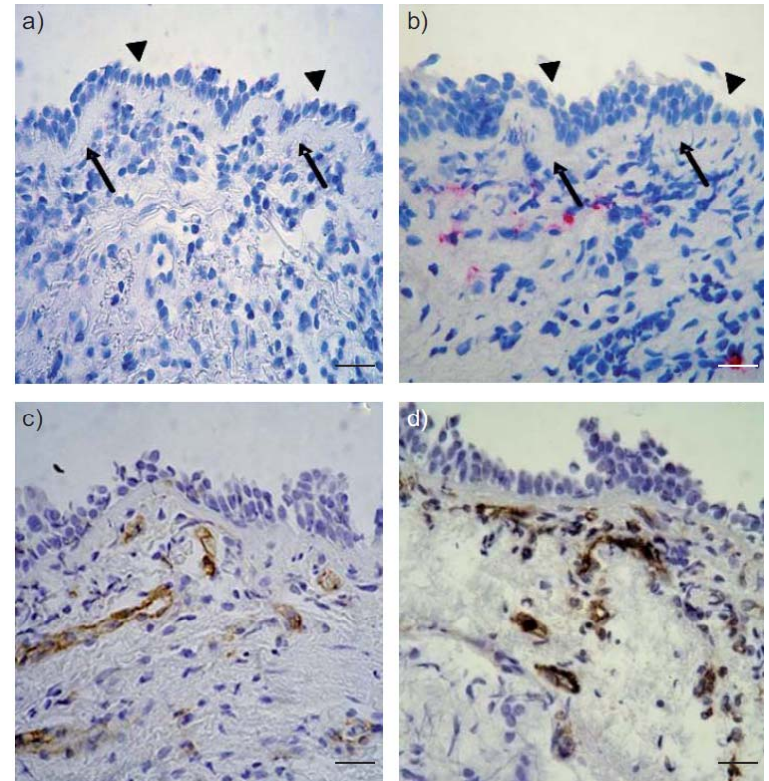
# Remodelación Vía Aérea e Inflamación: Lactantes Sibilantes



- A = total pacientes
- B = símbolos claros = atópicos
- C = símbolos claros = corticoides orales o inhalados
- D = gris = sibilantes post virus

# Non-eosinophilic asthma in children: relation with airway remodelling

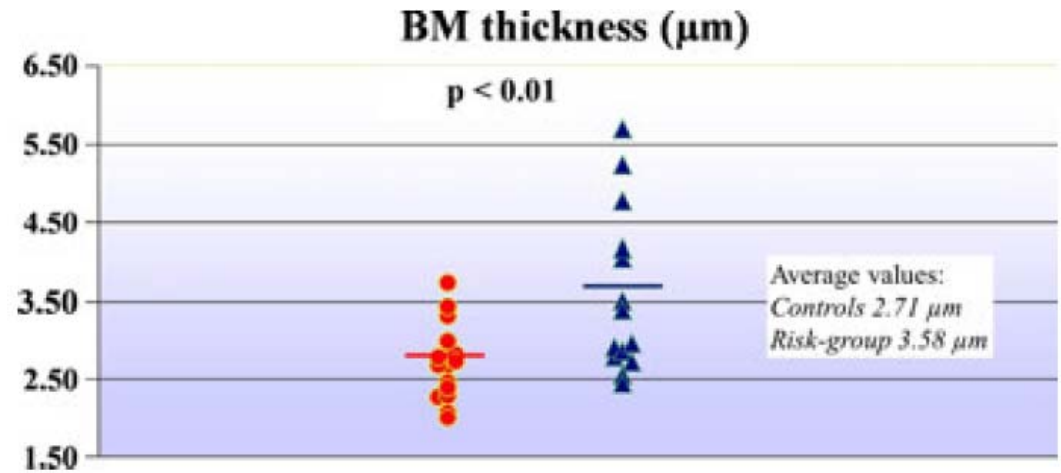
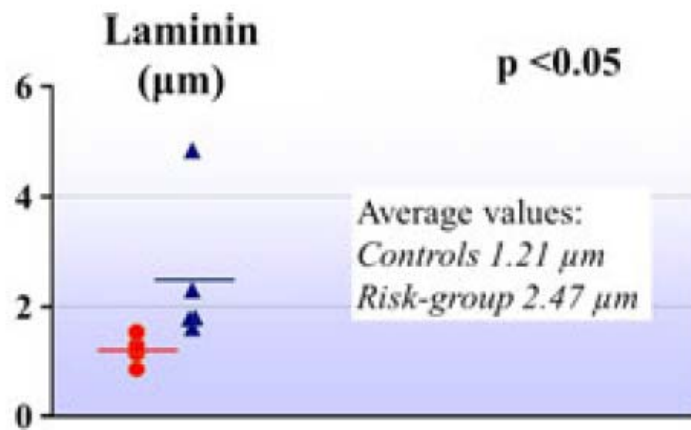
n=80 (21 non-eosinophilic asthmatic, 34 eosinophilic asthmatic, 35 control)



**TABLE 3** Subanalysis in children aged <6 yrs

	Eosinophilic	Noneosinophilic	Control
Subjects n	16	21	12
Epithelial loss %	55 (20–100)*	44 (12–94)	37 (0–100)
Basement membrane thickness $\mu\text{m}$	5.1 (2.5–7.2)*	5.4 (4.2–8.6)*	3.3 (2.1–4.9)
Vessels $\cdot\text{mm}^{-2}$	347 (39–704)*	252 (0–469)*	114 (0–574)
IL-4+ cells $\cdot\text{mm}^{-2}$	151 (0–676)*	100 (14–824)*	56 (14–732)
IL-5+ cells $\cdot\text{mm}^{-2}$	322 (0–834)	363 (0–920)*	183 (0–659)
TGF- $\beta$ + cells $\cdot\text{mm}^{-2}$	61 (0–354)	75 (0–310)	56 (9–470)
TGF- $\beta$ RII+ cells $\cdot\text{mm}^{-2}$	75 (0–829)	19 (0–451)	137 (0–810)

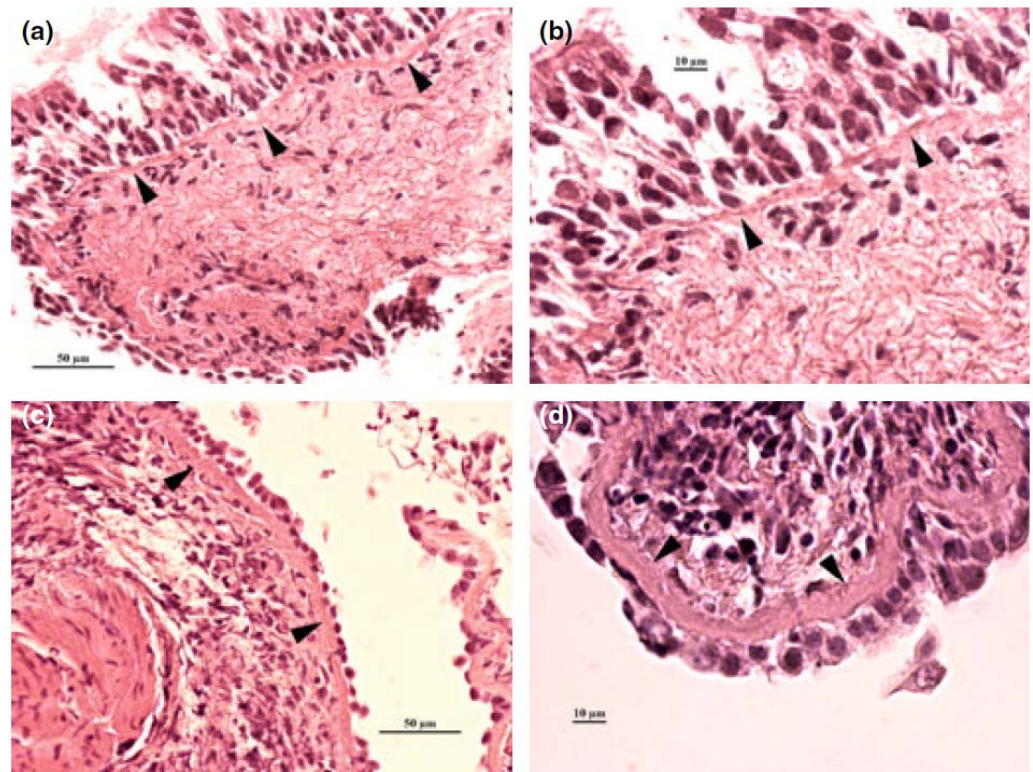
Data are presented as median (range), unless otherwise stated. IL: interleukin; TGF: transforming growth factor; RII: receptor type II. \*:  $p < 0.05$  versus controls (Mann-Whitney U-test).



## Structural changes in the bronchial mucosa of young children (< 4yrs) before wheezing episodes

n: 14 at risk of developing asthma API+  
 n: 16 at no risk

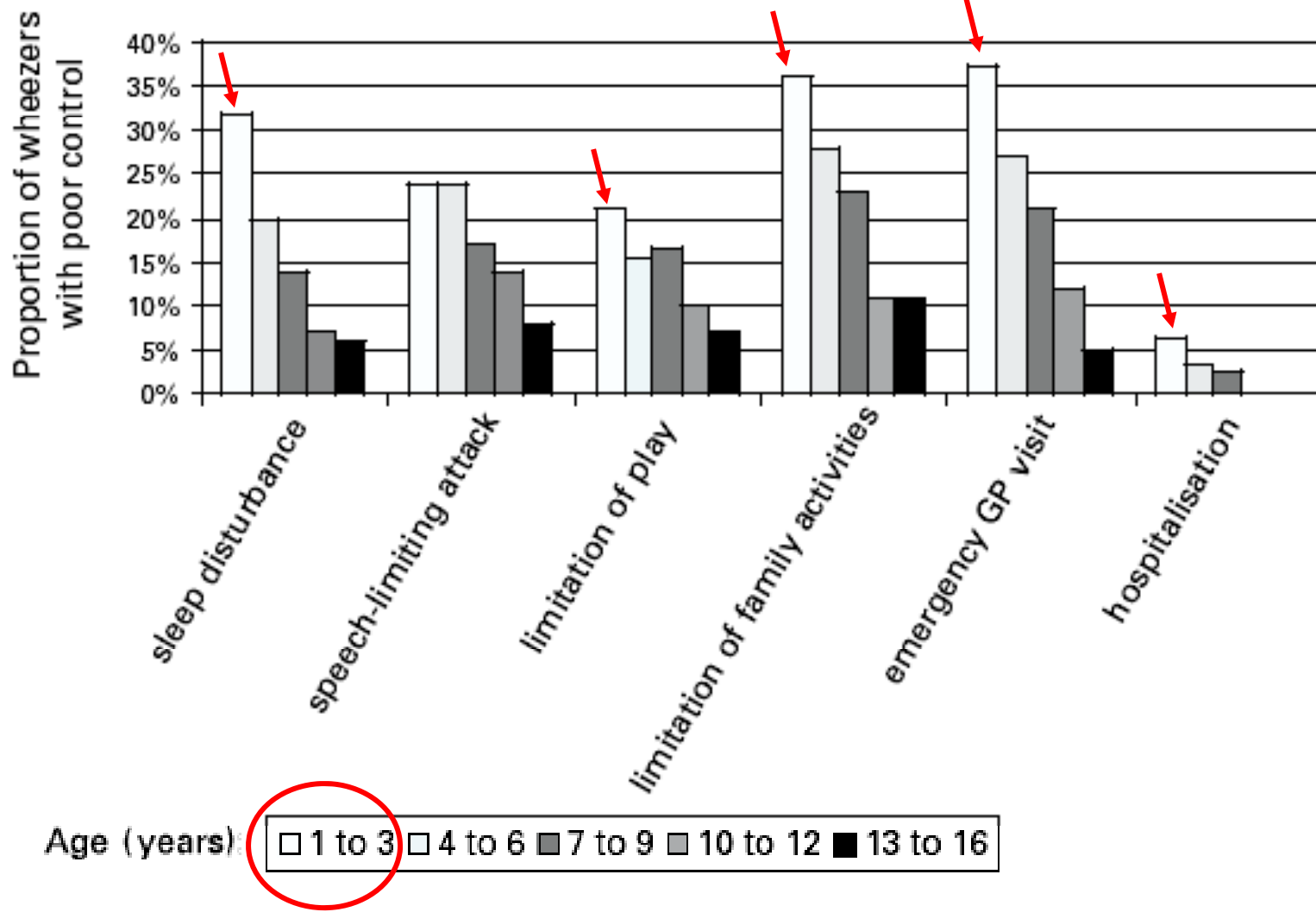
**Figure 2** Differences in BM thickness in control patients (red circles) and high-risk patients (blue triangles). Average values are marked by lines.



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# Diferencias en el Control del Asma, según edades de los niños. Suiza





# Niños Admitidos por Crisis Asma/Sibilancias

UK (1998-2005)

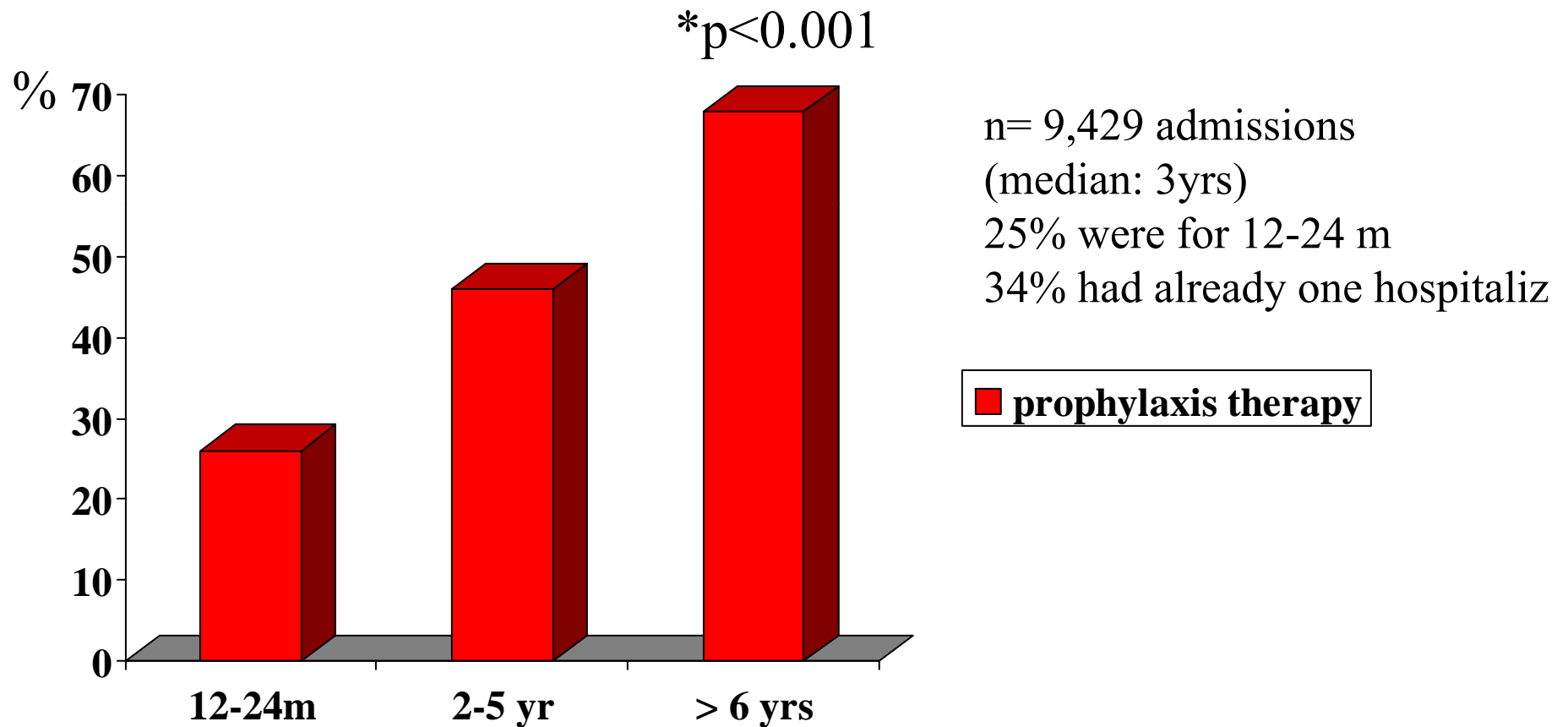


TABLE 2.—Demographic characteristics, morbidity, and treatment (% or mean  $\pm$  SD) between the two groups of asthma education programs.

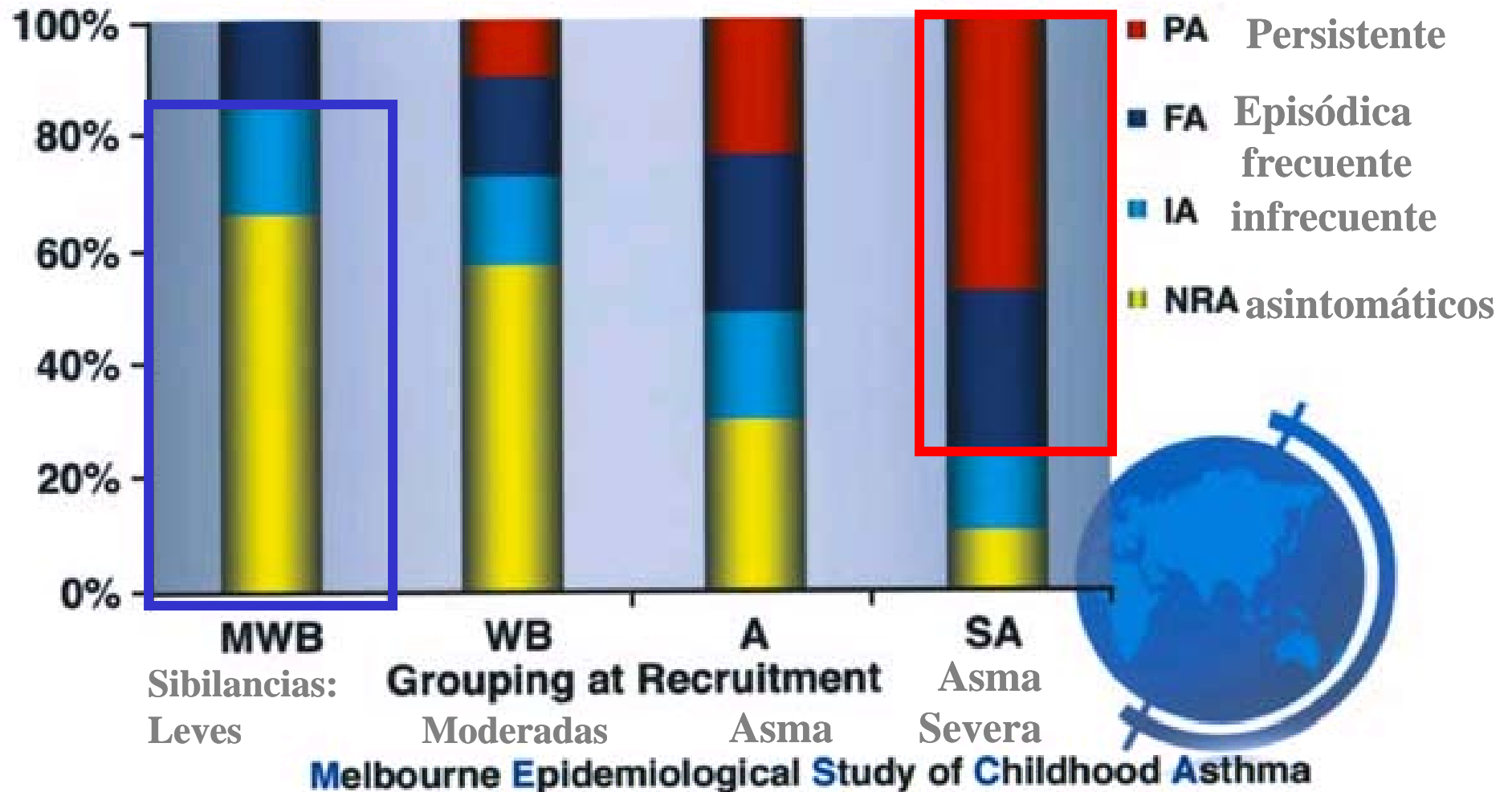
	E (n = 41)	ESM (n = 36)	p value
Demographic characteristics			
Age (y $\pm$ SD)	8.3 $\pm$ 2.4	7.7 $\pm$ 2.3	0.29
Males	71%	56%	0.17
Allergic rhinitis	54%	47%	0.88
More than 2 years with asthma	87%	95%	0.19
Parental asthma	44%	33%	0.63
Previous diagnosis of asthma by physician	35%	52%	0.16
Asthma treatment and morbidity in the last year:			
Inhaled corticosteroid use	35%	38%	0.96
Hospitalizations	29%	33%	0.70
More than 6 exacerbations	30%	38%	0.68
Cough at night between the exacerbations	83%	86%	0.51
Cough with exercise between the exacerbations	56%	57%	0.77
Exacerbation associated with common colds	80%	90%	0.31
Exacerbation associated with contamination exposure	33%	43%	0.36
Exacerbation associated with allergens exposure	56%	63%	0.48
Number of exacerbations	5.40 $\pm$ 4.1	6.80 $\pm$ 5.2	0.21
Number of emergency visits	3.07 $\pm$ 3.0	3.47 $\pm$ 3.2	0.58
Number of prednisone burst	1.76 $\pm$ 1.9	1.64 $\pm$ 1.1	0.75
Number of previous hospitalization	0.29 $\pm$ 0.5	0.47 $\pm$ 0.8	0.31

E = education without self-management plan, ESM = education with self management plan.

# Evolución Natural del Asma desde la Niñez (7 años) a la Vida Adulta (42 años)

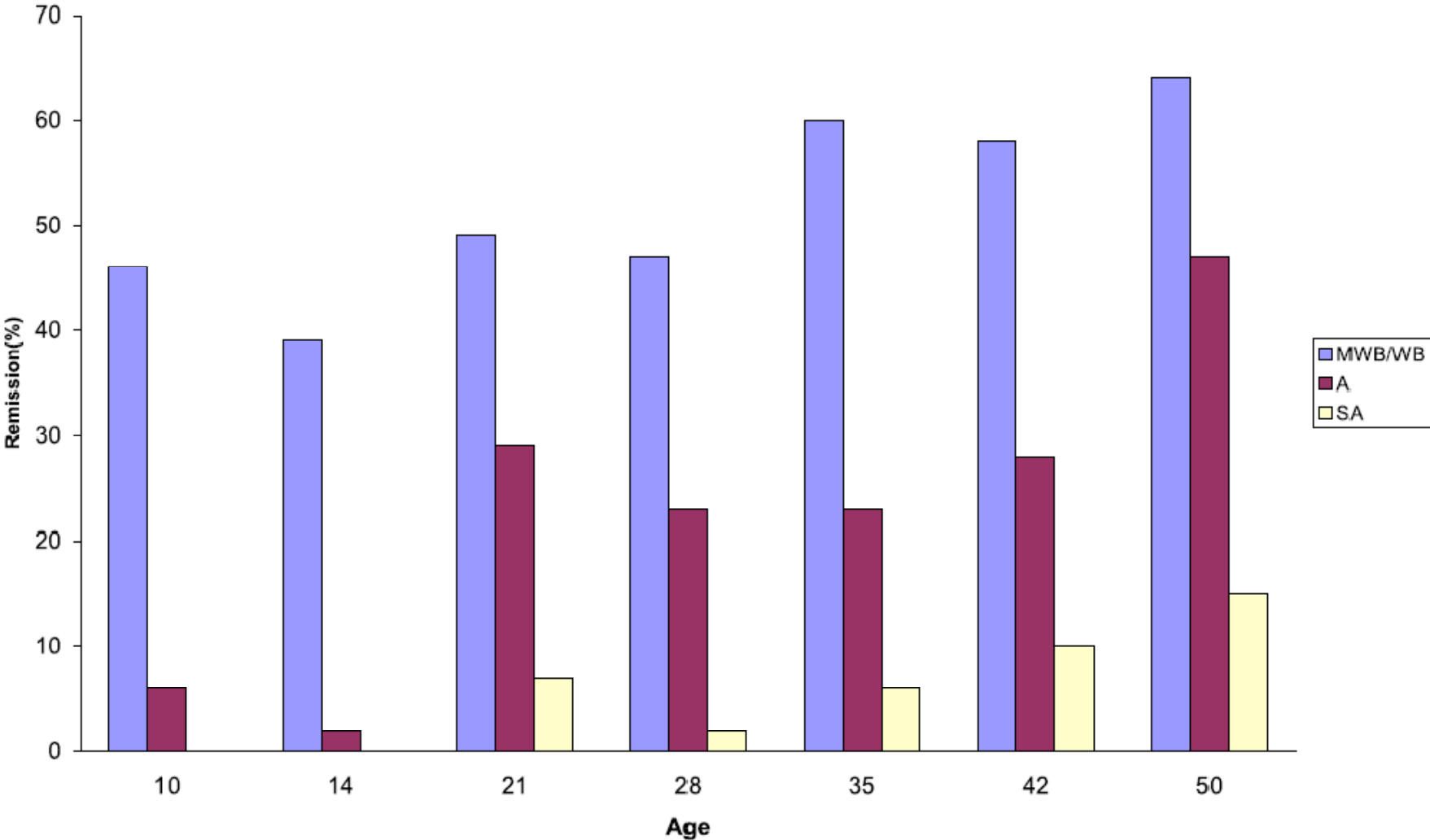
Clinical Expression of Childhood Asthma at Age 42 years

ASMA:

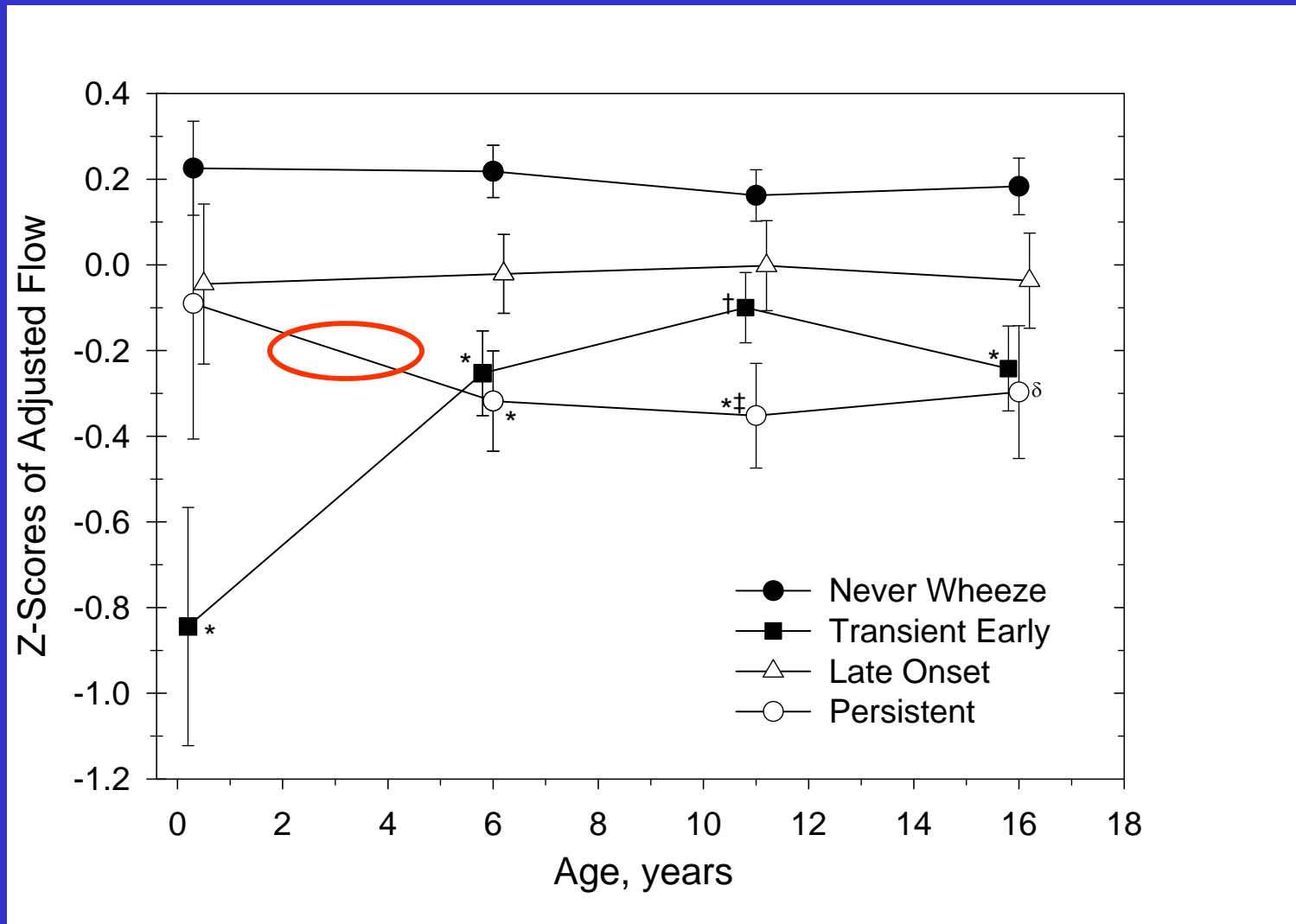


# Outcomes of childhood asthma to the age of 50 years

Melburne Asthma Study 1964



# Seguimiento de la Función Pulmonar desde el nacimiento hasta adolescencia



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# Definition, assessment and treatment of wheezing disorders in preschool children: an evidence-based approach

Brand P et al. ERJ 2008

**TABLE 1** Definitions used in the present report

Term	Definition
<b>Duration of wheeze</b>	
Transient wheeze	Symptoms that commenced before the age of 3 yrs and are found (retrospectively) to have disappeared by the age of 6 yrs; transient wheeze may be episodic or multiple-trigger wheeze
Persistent wheeze	Symptoms that are found (retrospectively) to have continued until the age of $\geq 6$ yrs; persistent wheeze may be episodic or multiple-trigger wheeze
Late-onset wheeze	Symptoms that start after the age of 3 yrs; late-onset wheeze may be episodic or multiple-trigger wheeze

# Alta Variabilidad en el Tiempo al Clasificar las Sibilancias: Episodicas (virales) y Multiple Gatilladoras

n=132 (2-6yr) followed for 1 yr

**Table 2** Retrospective phenotype determined at start of study compared with phenotype determined prospectively

		Retrospective phenotype determined at start of study		
		EWV	MTW	Total
Phenotype determined prospectively	No wheeze	13 (34.2%)	11 (15.5%)	24 (22.0%)
	EWV	12 (31.6%)	22 (31.0%)	34 (31.2%)
	MTW	13 (34.2%)	38 (53.5%)	51 (46.8%)
	Total	38 (100%)	71 (100%)	109 (100%)

EWV = Episodic viral wheeze; MTW = Multiple trigger wheeze.

Numbers in brackets indicate percentage of phenotype at the start of the study.

Clasificación del fenotipo permaneció igual en 46%, y se alteró en 54% !



# Algoritmo Predictor Asma (Asthma Predict Index)

\* Premio Mundial Investigación

Montreal 2002



U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
National Institutes of Health 2007  
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute



International Union  
Against Tuberculosis  
and Lung Disease

*Sibilancias frecuentes*  
( $\geq 3$  episodios/año en primeros 3 años vida)

+

*1 criterio mayor ó 2 criterios menores*



- Criterios mayores

- *Diagnóstico médico de eczema (<3 a)*
- *Antecedente asma padres*

- Criterios menores:

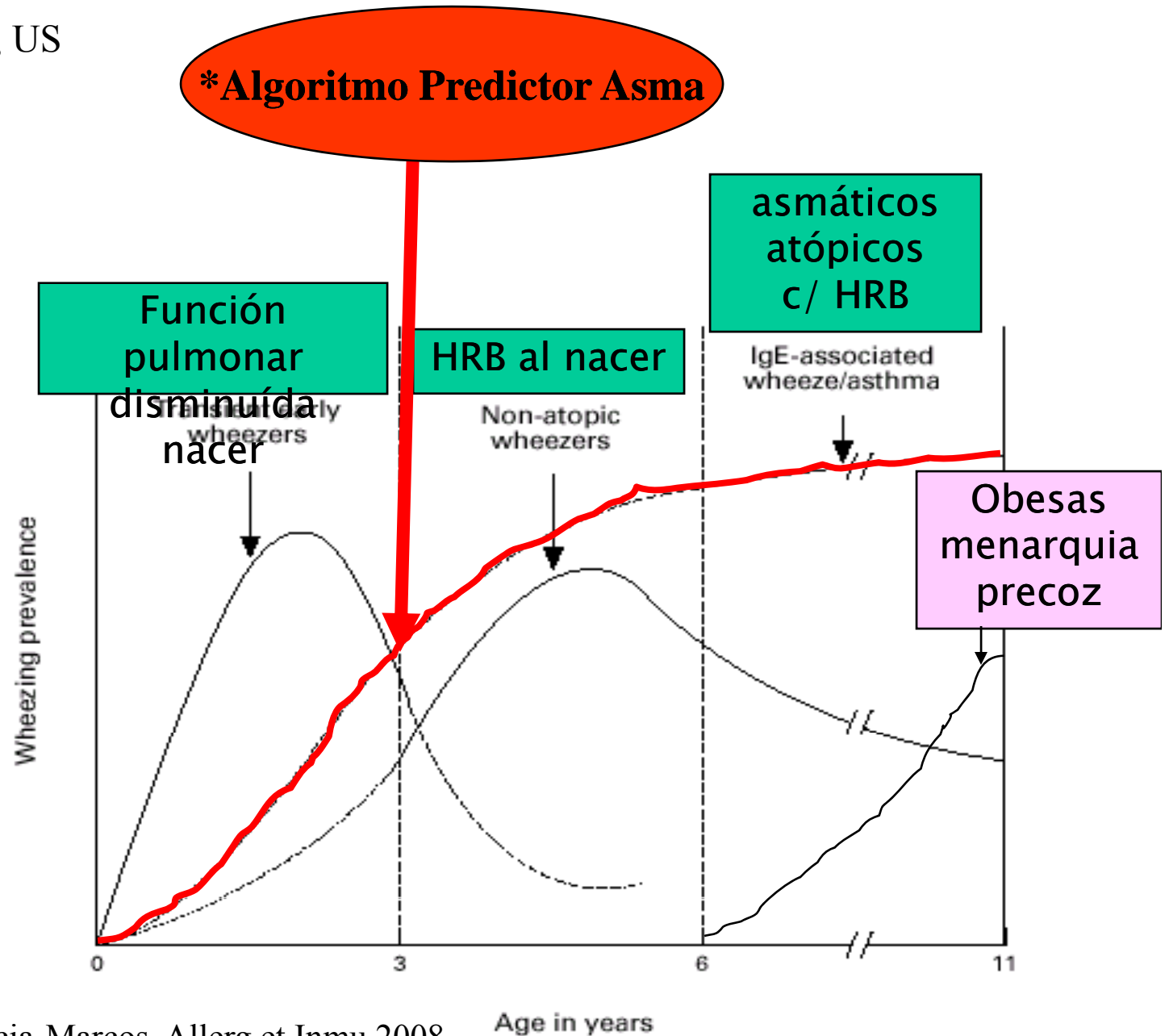
- *Diagnóstico médico de rinitis alérgica (<3a)*
- *Sibilancias no asociada de resfríos (<3a)*
- *Eosinofilia  $\geq 4\%$*

## Algoritmo Predictor Asma (API). Conclusiones:

- ~ 77 % lactantes con algoritmo positivo:  
si van a tener Asma a edad escolar
- ~ 70% lactantes con algoritmo negativo:  
no van a tener Asma a edad escolar
- 97 % de lactantes sin asma atópica,  
tuvieron el algoritmo negativo en la infancia
- Lactante con Algoritmo positivo\*: **7 veces mas riesgo**  
tener Asma atópica edad escolar \*OR = 7.1 (95 IC% = 3.5-14.1), p<0.00001

# Diferentes fenotipos de asma/sibilancias en niños

Cohorte Tucson, US



# API and other indices for predicting asthma in young children

**TABLE I.** Characteristics of the API<sup>15</sup> and Isle of Wight<sup>16</sup> and PIAMA<sup>18</sup> indices

	API	Isle of Wight	PIAMA
Year of publication	2000	2003	2009
Country	United States	United Kingdom	The Netherlands
No. of children in birth cohort	1246	1456	3963
Age of asthma prediction (y)	6-13	10	7-8
No. of parameters used	5	4	8
Parameters			
Family history of asthma	✓	✓	✓
Eczema	✓		✓
Nasal symptoms	✓	✓	
Wheezing without colds	✓		✓
Peripheral eosinophilia	✓		
Atopic sensitization (skin prick test)		✓	
Respiratory tract/chest infections		✓	✓
Sex			✓
Inhaled medication use			✓
Parental education			✓
Postterm delivery			✓

**TABLE II.** Values from the API<sup>15</sup> and Isle of Wight<sup>16</sup> and PIAMA<sup>18</sup> indices

Risk of asthma	Sensitivity	Specificity	Positive predictive value	Negative predictive value	+ LR	- LR
API*						
At 6-8 y	22	97	77	90	7.3	0.80
At 11-13 y	15	97	47	85	5	0.88
At 6-13 y	16	97	77	68	6.0	0.86
Isle of Wight† at 10-11 y	10	98	83	64	7.9	0.91
PIAMA‡ at 7-8 y	60	76	23	94	2.5	0.53

+ LR, Positive likelihood ratio (sensitivity/1-specificity); - LR, negative likelihood ratio (1-sensitivity/specificity).

\*Positive stringent index.

†Risk score strata = 4.

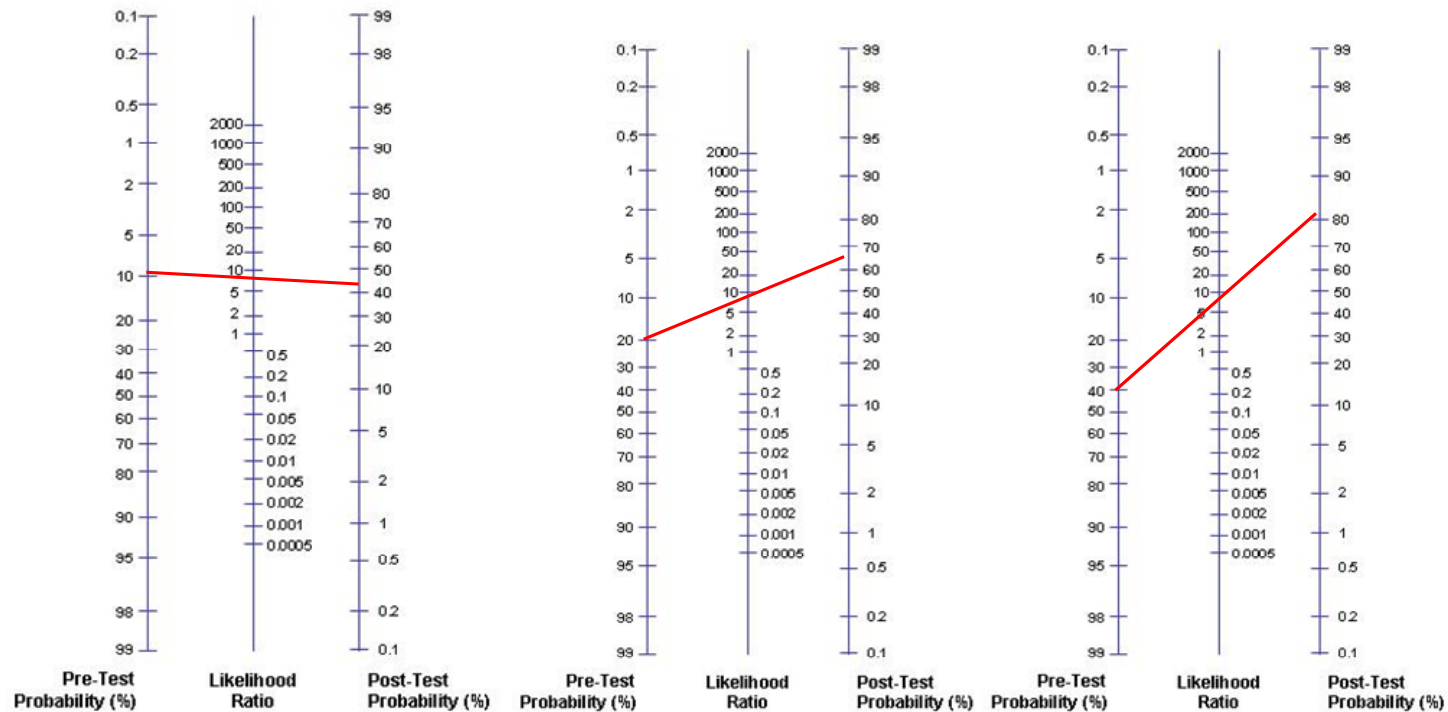
‡Cutoff  $\geq 20$ .

# ¿Que parámetro debo usar para evaluar *prueba diagnóstica*?

API sigue siendo un herramienta muy útil para predecir asma aumentando de 2 a 4 veces la chance de diagnóstico correcto !!

Figure 1. Application of the Asthma Predictive Index (API) in hypothetical different scenarios with a low, moderate or high risk population of having asthma at school age.

API (Likelihood Ratio: 7.3)



## Comparison between some Predictive Indices for Asthma in child\*

	Sens	Specif	PPV	NPV	AU C	LR+	LR-	Non- selected population	External validation
API (US)	22	92	77	90		<b>7.4</b>	0.80	√	√√
Isla Wight (UK)	10	98	83	64		7.9	0.53		
PIAMA (Netherl)	60	76	23	94		2.5	0.91		√
mAPI (US)	17	99	90	2		21	0.84		
ucAPI (US)	32	96	91	88		7.8	0.7		
API+VOC citokEBC + genes (Netherl)	89	90	90	89	95	<b>8.9</b>	<b>0.12</b>		

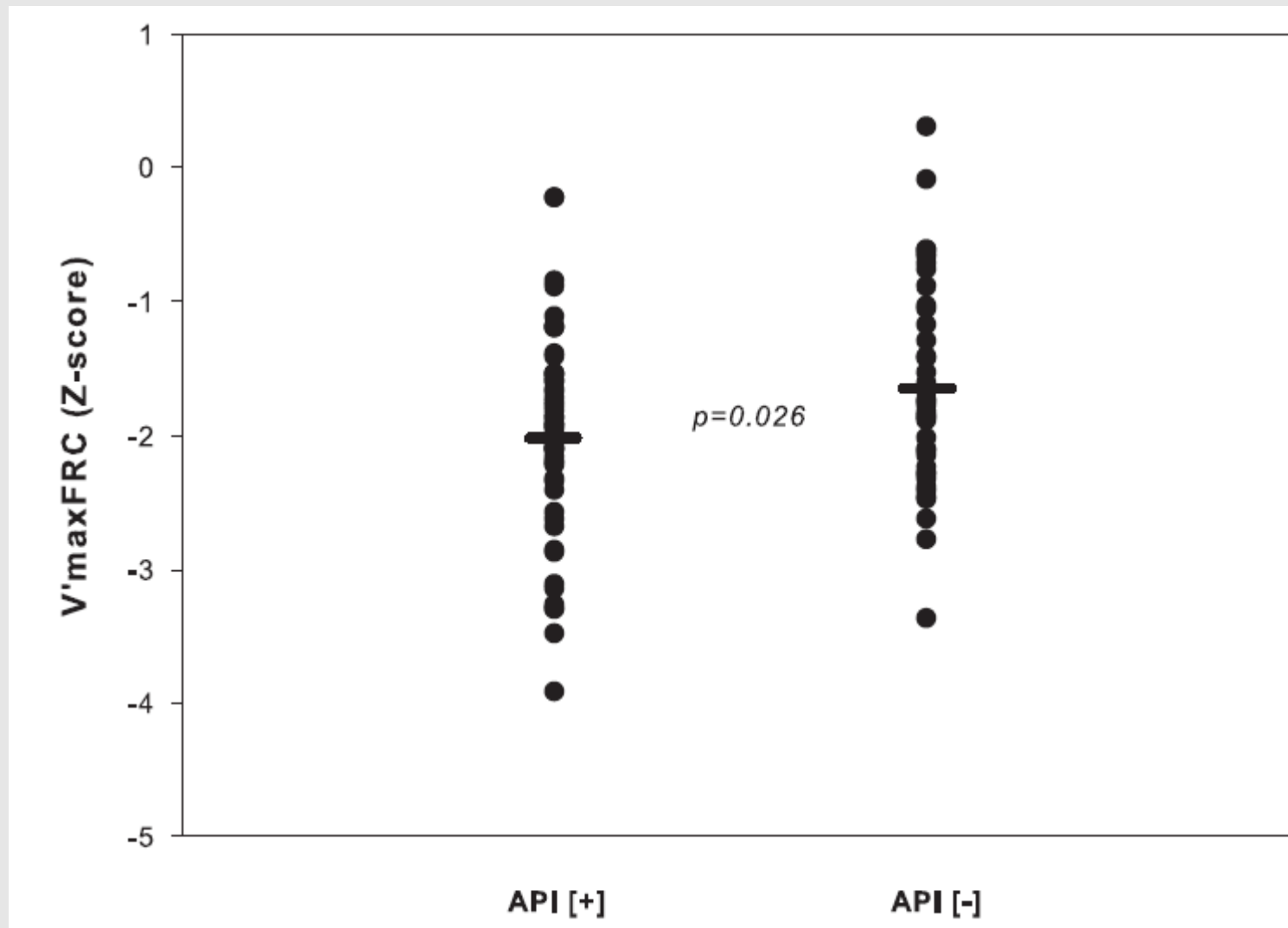
Steps for develop a prognostic or diagnostic prediction model.<sup>8</sup>

	Development	Validation/ updating	Impact	Implementation
<b>API</b>	✓ <sup>10</sup>	✓ <sup>11,16,17</sup>	✓ <sup>20-23</sup>	✓ <sup>26,27,31-32</sup>
<b>Isle of Wight</b>	✓ <sup>11</sup>			
<b>PIAMA</b>	✓ <sup>12</sup>	✓ <sup>17</sup>		
<b>mAPI</b>	✓ <sup>13</sup>			✓ <sup>28-32</sup>
<b>ucAPI</b>	✓ <sup>14</sup>			
<b>ademAPI</b>	✓ <sup>15</sup>			

# Lower Lung Function in infants with Asthma Predictive Index

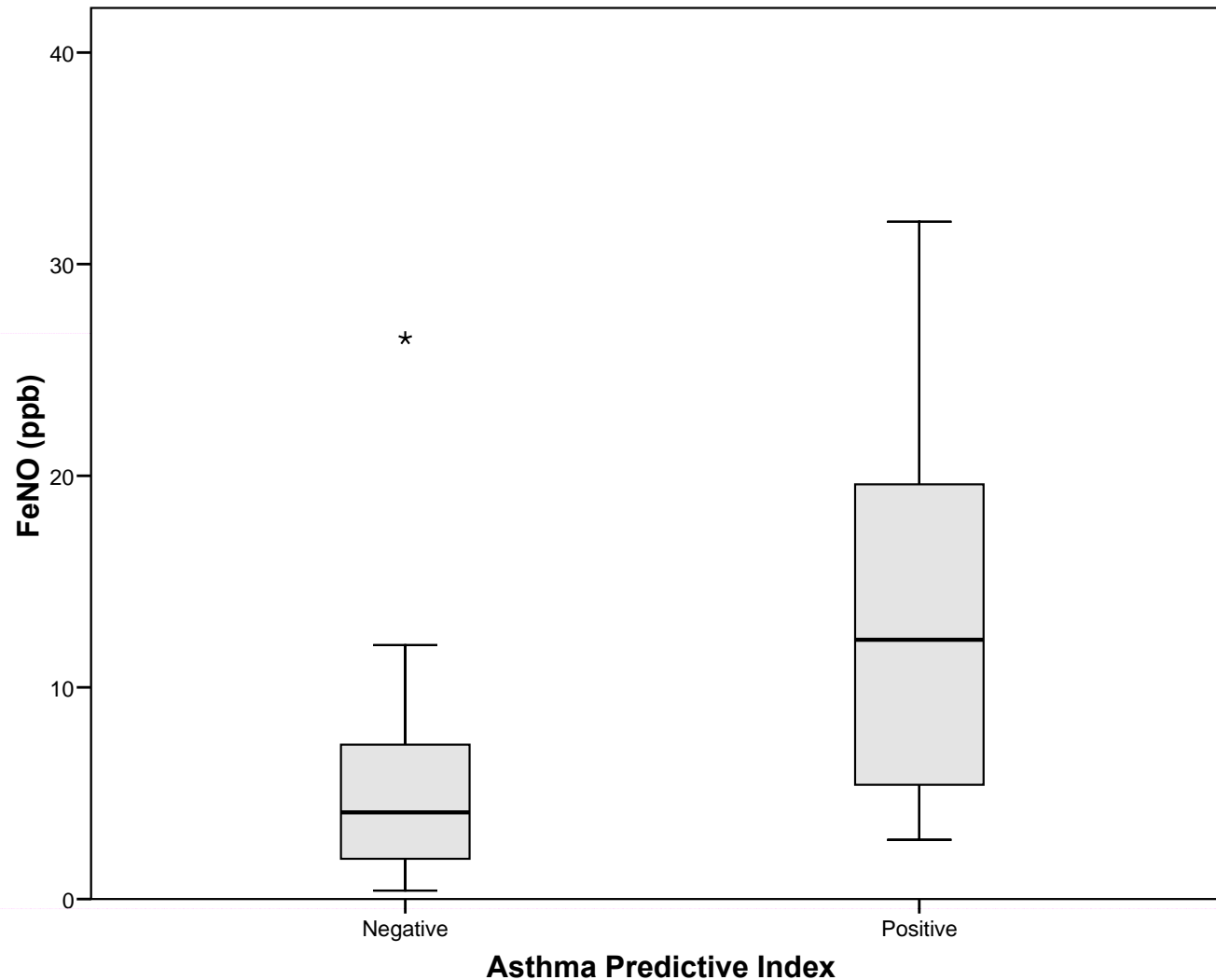
n=50 (11.9 m) API+

n=41 (12.3 m) API-



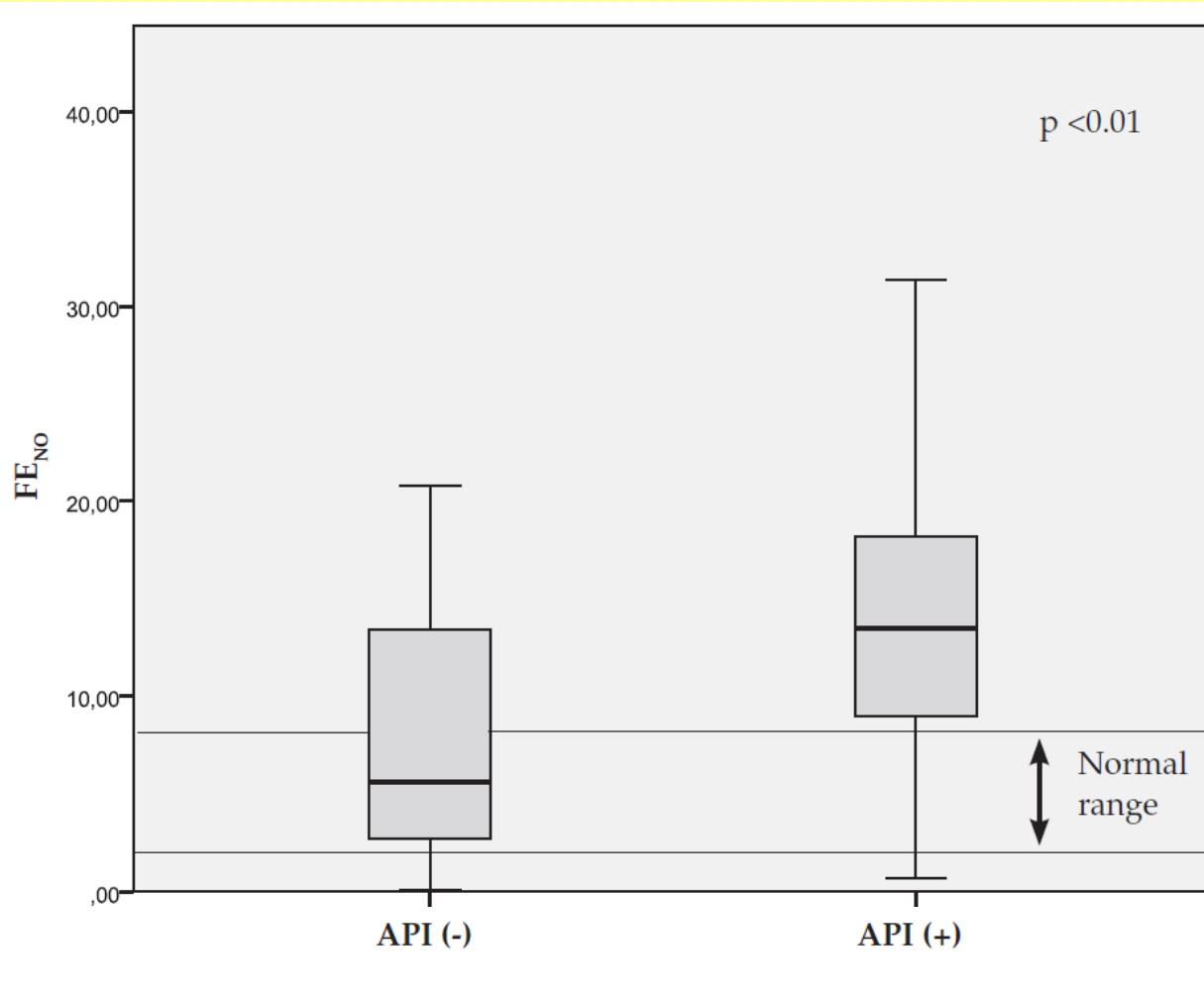


# Relationship between Asthma Predictive Index & Fraction of exhaled nitric oxide (FeNO) in infants



n=27 (11.4 ± 5 m)  
18 API+, 9 API-

# Association between Asthma Predictive Index & FeNO in infants/toddlers free of controllers



n=52 (5-36 m)  
31 API+, 21 API-

# Conclusiones: Asma en Prescolares

- Asma comienza antes de los 5 años de vida (80%).
- Inflamación: desde el año de vida.
- Remodelación: desde el 3er año de vida.
- Fenotipos: al menos 6 en los primeros 10 años de vida.
- Diagnóstico asma: índices predictivos (API, PIAMA, Isla Wight)
- Lactante/preescolar sibilante recurrente con API+:  
alta probabilidad ser asmático LR=7.3



Thanks for your  
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