

Inhalers for Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)

SABAs (Short-acting β_2 -agonists)	
	Aiomir Autohaler (salbutamol)
	Asmol MDI (salbutamol)
	Bricanyl Turbuhaler (terbutaline)
	Ventolin MDI (salbutamol)
	Zempreon MDI (salbutamol)

LAMAs (Long-acting muscarinic antagonists)	
	Braltus Zonda (tiotropium)
	Bretaris Genuair (aclidinium)
	Incruse Ellipta (umeclidinium)
	Seebri Breezhaler (glycopyrronium)
	Spiriva Handihaler & Respimat (tiotropium)

LABAs (Long-acting β_2 -agonists)	
	Onbrez Breezhaler (indacaterol)

ICS/LABA combinations			
	Breo Ellipta[#] (fluticasone furoate/vilanterol) *100/25		Seretide Accuhaler & MDI[#] (fluticasone propionate/salmeterol) Accuhaler, *500/50 Rapihaler, *250/25
	Symbicort Rapihaler & Turbuhaler[#] (budesonide/formoterol) Rapihaler, *200/6 Turbuhaler, *400/12		Seroflo MDI[#] (fluticasone propionate/salmeterol) *250/25
	DuoResp Spiromax[#] (budesonide/formoterol) *400/12		Fluticasone + Salmeterol Cipla MDI[#] (fluticasone propionate/salmeterol) *250/25
	BiResp Spiromax[#] (budesonide/formoterol) *400/12		Evocair MDI[#] (fluticasone propionate/salmeterol) *250/25
	Pavtide Accuhaler & MDI[#] (fluticasone propionate/salmeterol) Accuhaler, *500/50 MDI, *250/50		SalplusF MDI[#] (fluticasone propionate/salmeterol) *250/25

SAMAs (Short-acting muscarinic antagonists)	
	Atrovent MDI (ipratropium)

ICS/LAMA/LABA combinations	
	Breztri Aerosphere (budesonide/glycopyrronium/formoterol)
	Trelegy Ellipta[#] (fluticasone furoate/umeclidinium/vilanterol) *100/62.5/25
	Trimbow MDI[#] (beclometasone/glycopyrronium/formoterol) *100/10/6

LAMA/LABA			
	Anoro Ellipta (umeclidinium/vilanterol)		Spiolto Respimat (tiotropium/olodaterol)
	Brimica Genuair (aclidinium/formoterol)		Ultibro Breezhaler (glycopyrronium/indacaterol)

*PBS listed for COPD at this strength only
#PBS listed for asthma at other strengths

Which inhalers also have a PBS indication for asthma and can be used in asthma-COPD overlap?

ICS (Inhaled corticosteroid)	
	Fluticasone Cipla MDI (fluticasone propionate)
	Flixotide MDI (fluticasone propionate)
	Arnuity Ellipta (fluticasone furoate)
	QVAR MDI (beclometasone)
	Alvesco MDI (ciclesonide)
	Flixotide Accuhaler (fluticasone propionate)
	Pulmicort Turbuhaler (budesonide)
	Axotide Accuhaler & MDI (fluticasone propionate)

ICS/LABA combinations	
	Flutiform MDI (fluticasone propionate/formoterol)
	Fostair (beclometasone/formoterol)
	Aectura Breezhaler (mometasone/indacaterol)
	Fluticasone Salmeterol Ciplahaler (fluticasone propionate/salmeterol)

LABAs	
	Serevent Accuhaler (salmeterol)
	Oxis Turbuhaler (formoterol)
	Foradile Aerolizer (formoterol)

ICS/LAMA/LABA combinations	
	Enerzair Breezhaler (mometasone/glycopyrronium/indacaterol)

Green tick indicates therapies that can be used together

		SABA	SAMA	LAMA	LABA	LAMA/LABA	ICS/LABA	ICS/LAMA/LABA
SABA	• salbutamol (Ventolin, Airomir, Asmol, Zempreon) • terbutaline (Bricanyl)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SAMA	• ipratropium (Atrovent)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
LAMA	• tiotropium (Spiriva, Braltus) • glycopyrronium (Seebri)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
LABA	• salmeterol (Serevent) • formoterol (Oxis, Foradile)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
LAMA/LABA	• indacaterol/glycopyrronium (Ultibro) • umeclidinium/vilanterol (Anoro)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
ICS/LABA	• fluticasone propionate/salmeterol (Seretide, SalplusF, Cipla, Ciphaler, Pavtide, Evocair) • budesonide/formoterol (Symbicort, DuoResp, BiResp) • fluticasone propionate/formoterol (Flutiform) • mometasone/indacaterol (Aectura)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
ICS/LAMA/LABA	• fluticasone furoate/umeclidinium/vilanterol (Trelegy) • mometasone/glycopyrronium/indacaterol (Enerzair)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Notes

- Handihaler, Breezhaler, Zonda and Aerolizer devices require a capsule to be loaded into the device. All other devices are preloaded.
- Respimat requires a cartridge to be inserted into the device.
- Where possible, metered dose inhalers (MDI) should be used with a spacer
- ICS monotherapy is not indicated for COPD without co-existing asthma

Inhaler technique demonstration videos

Correct technique helps people with COPD to get the most benefit from their inhaled medications. Assess inhaler technique at each visit, especially in older, frail or cognitively impaired patients.



Stepwise Management of Stable COPD

Follow a stepwise approach to pharmacological treatment.

The products included were those available on the PBS as at January 2023. Check TGA and PBS for current population, age and clinical criteria.

