
GOLD REPORT 2025 KEY CHANGES SUMMARY

Document Layout, References & Figures

In total **164 new references** have been added to the GOLD 2025 report as listed alphabetically at the end of this document. PubMed links (where available) have been included in the reference list.

In the 2025 revision of the GOLD report several changes have been made as follows:

- ▶ **Chapter 6: COVID-19 and COPD** has been removed and the chapters included in the 2025 document are as follows:
 - **Chapter 1: Definition and Overview**
 - **Chapter 2: Diagnosis and Assessment**
 - **Chapter 3: Prevention and Management of COPD**
 - **Chapter 4: Management of Exacerbations**
 - **Chapter 5: COPD and Comorbidities**
- ▶ Three new figures have been introduced for 2025:
 - New **Figure 2.6 'Pre- and Post- Bronchodilator Spirometry'**
 - New **Figure 3.22 'Management of Patients Currently on LABA+ICS'**
 - New **Figure 5.1 'Treatable Traits in Pulmonary Hypertension-COPD (PH-COPD) & Suggested Management'**
- ▶ The following figures have been edited or updated:
 - **Figure 3.6 'Vaccination for Stable COPD'** has been updated with the latest vaccination recommendations
 - **Figure 3.9 'Follow-up Pharmacological Treatment'** has been updated to add information about new treatments ensifentrine and dupilumab
 - **Figure 4.11 'Interventions that Reduce the Frequency of COPD Exacerbations'** has had dupilumab added.
 - **Figure 3.18 'Maintenance Medications in COPD'**
 - **Figure 3.19 'Bronchodilators in Stable COPD'** has been updated to include ensifentrine
 - **Figure 3.20 'Anti-Inflammatory Therapy in Stable COPD'** has been updated to include ensifentrine and dupilumab
 - **Figure 4.2 'Exacerbations: Diagnosis and Assessment'**

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- iv. A new paragraph and references have been added to the **Trajectories of Lung Function: Development and Aging** section, including a link to free software on the ERS website for monitoring spirometry over time (Page 11)
 - v. A new section on **Dysbiosis** has been included (Page 17)
 - vi. The information on **Spirometry** has been updated to include more comprehensive information on LLN values, z-scores and reference values and a new **Figure 2.6 Pre- and Post-Bronchodilator Spirometry** has been added (Page 27)
 - vii. **Cardiovascular Risk in COPD** is now covered in a new section (Page 38)
 - viii. **Computed Tomography (CT)** has been updated and now includes information on emphysema, lung nodules, airways and COPD related morbidities (Page 42)
 - ix. **Climate Change & COPD** is now included (Page 50)
 - x. **Vaccination Recommendations** for people with COPD have been updated in line with current guidance from the US Centers for Disease Control (CDC) (Page 52)
 - xi. **Follow-up Pharmacological Treatment** and corresponding **Figure 3.9** have been updated to include information about ensifentrine and dupilumab (Page 57)
 - xii. Information about the **Delivery of Pulmonary Rehabilitation, Education & Self-management: in-person versus virtual** has been included (Page 67), **Remote Patient Follow-up** has been moved from the COVID-19 chapter to this part of the document and the **COPD Follow-up Checklist** has been moved to the Appendix (Page 135)
 - xiii. The section on withdrawal of ICS has been revised and a new **Figure 3.22** about the **Management of Patients Currently on LABA+ICS** has been included (Page 88)
 - xiv. The sections on **Phosphodiesterase 3 and 4 (PDE3 & PDE4) Inhibitors** and **Other Drugs with the Potential to Reduce Exacerbations** have been revised to reflect the latest evidence for ensifentrine and dupilumab (Page 91)
 - xv. **Pulmonary Hypertension** is now covered, and a corresponding **Figure 5.1** has been added (Page 126)

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