

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Healthcare resources	Unit costs (€)
Medical visits [1]	
<i>Primary care medical visit</i>	23.19
<i>Emergency room visit</i>	117.53
<i>Specialist medical visit*</i>	92.00
Hospitalization (one day) [1]	420.90
Supplementary tests [1]	
<i>Laboratory tests</i>	22.30
<i>Conventional radiology</i>	18.50
<i>Diagnostic/therapeutic tests</i>	37.12
Pharmaceutical prescription	Public Retail Price + VAT
Indirect costs	
<i>Cost per workday lost</i> [2]	101.21

Table S1. Description of unit costs

*Only in pulmonology, cardiology, and internal medicine services

Source of health resources: hospital in-house accounting [1] and INE, Instituto Nacional de Estadística [2]

VAT, value added tax

References

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Table S2. Total costs (EUR) according to overuse and recommended use of SABA and recommended use and underuse of ICS with or without exacerbations by study groups.

Values expressed as mean (SD, standard deviation).

Classification	SABA		ICS		Exacerbations	
	Recommended use	Overuse	Recommended use	Under use	Without exacerbations	With exacerbations
GINA - 1	€ 1,204 (2,130)	€ 4,708 (3,169)	---	---	€ 638 (1,620)	€ 4,294 (2,954)
GINA - 2	€ 1,689 (2,560)	€ 5,248 (3,587)	€ 1,706 (2,590)	€ 3,108 (3,725)	€ 1,015 (2,001)	€ 4,784 (3,283)
GINA - 3	€ 1,916 (2,448)	€ 5,381 (3,345)	€ 2,608 (3,084)	€ 4,255 (2,885)	€ 1,139 (1,919)	€ 4,901 (2,014)
GINA - 4	€ 2,304 (2,589)	€ 6,200 (3,406)	€ 3,294 (3,395)	€ 5,102 (3,541)	€ 1,487 (1,907)	€ 5,765 (3,273)
GINA - 5	€ 2,849 (2,625)	€ 6,973 (4,150)	€ 4,617 (3,788)	€ 6,024 (4,808)	€ 2,150 (1,861)	€ 6,676 (4,059)
Total	€ 1,916 (2,495)	€ 5,702 (3,542)	€ 2,903 (3,255)	€ 4,116 (3,446)	€ 1,177 (1,911)	€ 5,233 (3,295)

EUR, Euro; **GINA**, global Initiative for Asthma; **ICS**, inhaled corticosteroids; **SABA**, short acting beta-2 agonists.