

Supplementary Table 1: Cost of medications by primary diagnosis per month in INR and USD

	Allergic rhinitis (INR)	Allergic rhinitis (USD)	Asthma (INR)	Asthma (USD)	COPD (INR)	COPD (USD)	Rhinosinusitis (INR)	Rhinosinusitis (USD)	Total (INR)	Total (USD)
Antibiotic										
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000
Total cost	10,192	167	17,888	293	9776	160	1664	27	39,519	648
Mean cost per patient (SD)	34 (77)	1 (1)	42 (84)	1 (1)	42 (84)	1 (1)	37 (80)	1 (1)	40 (82)	1 (1)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 208)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 208)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 208)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 208)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 208)	0 (0, 3)
Antifusive										
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000
Total cost	1,546	25	5,667	93	5,152	84	0 (0)	0 (0)	12,365	203
Mean cost per patient (SD)	5 (51)	0 (1)	13 (82)	0 (1)	22 (105)	0 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	12 (79)	0 (1)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 515)	0 (0, 8)	0 (0, 515)	0 (0, 8)	0 (0, 515)	0 (0, 8)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 515)	0 (0, 8)
Mucolytic										
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000
Total cost	52,864	866	198,240	3248	383,264	6280	13,216	217	647,584	10,611
Mean cost per patient (SD)	177 (1521)	3 (25)	468 (2444)	8 (40)	1652 (4380)	27 (72)	294 (1970)	5 (32)	648 (2854)	11 (47)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 13,216)	0 (0, 217)	0 (0, 13,216)	0 (0, 217)	0 (0, 13,216)	0 (0, 217)	0 (0, 13,216)	0 (0, 217)	0 (0, 13,216)	0 (0, 217)
Saline (irrigation or spray)										
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000
Total cost	0	0	272	4	0	0	0	0	272	4
Mean cost per patient (SD)	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (13)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (9)	0 (0)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 272)	0 (0, 4)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 22)	0 (0, 4)
Painkiller										
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000
Total cost	252	4	84	1	336	6	336	6	1008	17
Mean cost per patient (SD)	1 (8)	0 (0)	0 (4)	0 (0)	1 (11)	0 (0)	7 (24)	0 (0)	1 (9)	0 (0)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 84)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 84)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 84)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 84)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 84)	0 (0, 1)
Oral antihistamine										
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000
Total cost	3,094	51	2,022	33	627	10	445	7	6,188	101
Mean cost per patient (SD)	10 (10)	0 (0)	5 (9)	0 (0)	3 (7)	0 (0)	10 (10)	0 (0)	6 (9)	0 (0)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	20 (0, 20)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 20)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 20)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 20)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 20)	0 (0, 0)
Oral corticosteroid										
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000
Total cost	306	5	2,100	34	1,540	25	0 (0)	0 (0)	3,946	65
Mean cost per patient (SD)	1 (8)	0 (0)	5 (26)	0 (0)	7 (30)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	4 (23)	0 (0)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 61)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 140)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 140)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 140)	0 (0, 2)
Oral decongestant										
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000
Total cost	1,804	30	3,95	6	56	1	733	12	2,987	49
Mean cost per patient (SD)	6 (17)	0 (0)	1 (7)	0 (0)	0 (4)	0 (0)	16 (26)	0 (0)	3 (13)	0 (0)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 56)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 56)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 56)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 56)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 56)	0 (0, 1)

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		Primary diagnosis (monthly cost)									
		Allergic rhinitis (INR)	Allergic rhinitis (USD)	Asthma (INR)	Asthma (USD)	COPD (INR)	COPD (USD)	Rhinosinusitis (INR)	Rhinosinusitis (USD)	Total (INR)	Total (USD)
Ora beta agonist											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	
Total cost	134	2	2150	35	2083	34	0	0	4368	72	
Mean cost per patient (SD)	0 (5)	0 (0)	5 (18)	0 (0)	9 (23)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	4 (17)	0 (0)	
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 67)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 67)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 67)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 67)	0 (0, 1)	
LTRA											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	
Total cost	96,600	1583	105,800	1734	59,800	980	20,700	339	282,900	4636	
Mean cost per patient (SD)	323 (801)	5 (13)	250 (716)	4 (12)	258 (727)	4 (12)	460 (930)	8 (15)	283 (756)	5 (12)	
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 2300)	0 (0, 38)	0 (0, 2300)	0 (0, 38)	0 (0, 2300)	0 (0, 38)	0 (0, 2300)	0 (0, 38)	0 (0, 2300)	0 (0, 38)	
Intranasal antihistamine											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	
Total cost	207	3	1658	27	622	10	0	0	2486	41	
Mean cost per patient (SD)	1 (12)	0 (0)	4 (28)	0 (0)	3 (23)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (23)	0 (0)	
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 207)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 207)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 207)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 207)	0 (0, 3)	
Intranasal decongestant											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	
Total cost	32	1	21	0	11	0	0	0	63	1	
Mean cost per patient (SD)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)	
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 11)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 11)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 11)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 11)	0 (0, 0)	
Steroidal nasal spray											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	
Total cost	12,846	211	12,846	211	2694	44	207	3	28,594	469	
Mean cost per patient (SD)	43 (84)	1 (1)	30 (73)	0 (1)	12 (48)	0 (1)	5 (31)	0 (1)	29 (71)	0 (1)	
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 207)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 207)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 207)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 207)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 207)	0 (0, 3)	
Intravenous corticosteroid											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	
Total cost	0	0	0	0	7280	119	0	0	7280	119	
Mean cost per patient (SD)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	31 (337)	1 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	7 (163)	0 (3)	
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 3640)	0 (0, 60)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 3640)	0 (0, 60)	
ICS											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	
Total cost	4468	73	11,373	186	7718	126	0	0	23,559	386	
Mean cost per patient (SD)	15 (53)	0 (1)	27 (69)	0 (1)	33 (75)	1 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	24 (65)	0 (1)	
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 203)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 203)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 203)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 203)	0 (0, 3)	
Inhaled anticholinergic											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	
Total cost	480	8	2559	42	3998	66	0	0	7057	115	
Mean cost per patient (SD)	2 (16)	0 (0)	6 (31)	0 (0)	17 (50)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	7 (33)	0 (1)	
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 160)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 160)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 160)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 160)	0 (0, 3)	

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		Allergic rhinitis (INR)	Allergic rhinitis (USD)	Asthma (INR)	Asthma (USD)	COPD (INR)	COPD (USD)	Rhinosinusitis (INR)	Rhinosinusitis (USD)	Total (INR)	Total (USD)
Inhaled SABA											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	1000
Total cost	1725	28	3826	63	1599	26	0	0	7150	117	117
Mean cost per patient (SD)	6 (12)	0 (0)	9 (14)	0 (0)	7 (13)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	7 (13)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 31)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 31)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 31)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 31)	0 (0, 1)	0 (0, 1)
Inhaled LABA											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	1000
Total cost	6354	104	12,432	204	4558	75	0	0	23,345	383	383
Mean cost per patient (SD)	21 (50)	0 (1)	29 (57)	0 (1)	20 (48)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	23 (52)	0 (1)	0 (1)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 138)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 138)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 138)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 138)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 2)
Fixed dose combination inhaler (ICS+LABA)											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	1000
Total cost	3241	53	21,281	349	14,234	233	0	0	38,757	635	635
Mean cost per patient (SD)	11 (38)	0 (1)	50 (68)	1 (1)	61 (70)	1 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	39 (63)	1 (1)	1 (1)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 141)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 141)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 141)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 141)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 2)
Other combination inhaler											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	1000
Total cost	261	4	39194	64	5219	86	0	0	9395	154	154
Mean cost per patient (SD)	1 (15)	0 (0)	9 (48)	0 (1)	22 (73)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	9 (49)	0 (1)	0 (1)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 261)	0 (0, 4)	0 (0, 261)	0 (0, 4)	0 (0, 261)	0 (0, 4)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 261)	0 (0, 4)	0 (0, 4)
Nebulized bronchodilator											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	1000
Total cost	21	0	62	1	62	1	4	0	148	2	2
Mean cost per patient (SD)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 4)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 4)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 4)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 4)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 4)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)
Methylxanthine											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	1000
Total cost	0	0	616	10	1078	18	0	0	1694	28	28
Mean cost per patient (SD)	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (15)	0 (0)	5 (26)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (16)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 154)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 154)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 154)	0 (0, 3)	0 (0, 3)
Intravenous IgE antibody (e.g., Xolair)											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	1000
Total cost	504	8	9198	151	9954	163	2	2	19,782	224	224
Mean cost per patient (SD)	2 (14)	0 (0)	22 (48)	0 (1)	43 (60)	1 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	20 (46)	0 (1)	0 (1)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 126)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 126)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 126)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 126)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 126)	0 (0, 2)	0 (0, 2)

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Mean cost per patient (SD)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)
Immunotherapy											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	
Total cost	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mean cost per patient (SD)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	
Alternative/traditional medicine											
Nmiss	68	68	13	13	3	3	13	13	97	97	
n	231	231	411	411	229	229	32	32	903	903	
Total cost	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mean cost per patient (SD)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	
Other											
Nmiss	43	43	57	57	43	43	9	9	152	152	
n	256	256	367	367	189	189	36	36	848	848	
Total cost	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mean cost per patient (SD)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	
Median cost per patient (min, max)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	0 (0, 0)	
Total medication cost ^a											
Nmiss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
n	299	299	424	424	232	232	45	45	1000	1000	
Total cost	196,930	3227	414,404	6790	521,661	8548	37,431	613	1,170,426	1,170,426	
Mean cost per patient (SD)	659 (1780)	11 (29)	977 (2696)	16 (44)	2249 (4647)	37 (76)	832 (2447)	14 (40)	1170 (3106)	1170 (3106)	
Median cost per patient (min, max)	77 (0, 15,516)	1 (0, 254)	207 (0, 16,146)	3 (0, 265)	339 (0, 20,209)	6 (0, 331)	77 (0, 15,744)	1 (0, 258)	198 (0, 20,209)	198 (0, 20,209)	

^aTotal medication cost for a patient is the sum of all nonmissing amounts. COPD: Chronic obstructive pulmonary condition, Min: Minimum, Max: Maximum, SD: Standard deviation, LABA: Long acting beta agonist, SABA: Short acting beta agonist, ICS: Inhaled corticosteroid; LTRA: Leukotriene receptor antagonist