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## **Impact of chronic medication de-escalation in patients with cystic fibrosis taking elexacaftor, tezacaftor, ivacaftor: A retrospective review.**

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### **Study design (if review, criteria of inclusion for studies)**

Randomised controlled trial. Parallel design.

### **Participants**

67 participants, of which 63 completed. Ages 7-21 years, mild to moderate disease.

### **Interventions**

CCPT versus FET.

### **Outcome measures**

FVC, FEV1 and FEF25-75, hospital days, Schwachman, exercise test.

### **Main results**

Patients who performed the forced expiratory technique alone had mean annual rates of decline that were significantly different from zero for forced expiratory volume in 1 second ( $p$  less than 0.001), forced expiratory flow between 25% and 75% of vital capacity ( $p$  less than 0.001), and Shwachman clinical score ( $p$  less than 0.004). In the group performing conventional physiotherapy with percussion and postural drainage, only the mean annual rate of decline for forced expiratory flow between 25% and 75% of vital capacity was significantly different from zero ( $p$  less than 0.03), and it was significantly different from the mean rate of decline associated with the forced expiratory technique alone ( $p$  less than 0.04).

### **Authors' conclusions**

conventional chest physiotherapy should remain a standard component of therapy in cystic fibrosis.

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### **See also**

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### **Keywords**

Adolescent; Airway clearance technique; Child; Drainage; non pharmacological intervention - devices OR physiotherapy; pharmacological\_intervention; Postural Drainage; Chest physiotherapy; forced expiration technique; Active Cycle of Breathing Technique -ACBT-;