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Airway Hyperreactivity—Is it Really Important for Asthma?

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Airway hyperreactivity is a characteristic feature of asthma which is generally thought to be a consequence of chronic airway inflammation. Over the past five years dramatic changes have occurred in the approach adopted by the preclinical groups working in asthma. New models of airway hyperreactivity have been set up in an attempt to analyse the basic underlying mechanism(s) and to identify new therapeutic agents. Asthma therapy is increasingly being directed to the earlier alleviation of airway hyperreactivity by the treatment of the underlying inflammation using prophylactic and anti-inflammatory drugs.

This meeting will review the preclinical and clinical developments in this exciting new field. It will be of benefit to scientists and physicians alike with an interest in this area, as well as those individuals who require an up-to-date overview.

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