



Doubts about the adverse effects of air pollution on asthma?

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Efforts to reduce air pollution exposure, especially from traffic emissions, could help prevent a substantial portion of new cases of asthma <http://bit.ly/339gGdq>

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When can a relationship between an exposure and a disease be considered “causal”? Typically, several steps need to be followed to respond to the question, such as identifying, reviewing, evaluating and integrating the scientific evidence for an overall evaluation that includes a thoughtful check of the Bradford Hill criteria [1], as illustrated in the International Agency for Research on Cancer preamble [2] or in the Environmental Protection Agency procedures [3, 4].