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### Educational questions.

**“*Aspergillus fumigatus* during stable state and exacerbations of COPD “**

For some questions more than one answer could be correct.

1. Which genus of fungus is recognised to be most commonly associated with pulmonary infection?

- Penicillium.  Aspergillus.  Zygomycete.

2. Allergic bronchopulmonary aspergillosis (ABPA) can occur in which of the following respiratory conditions?

- Asthma.  Cystic fibrosis.  COPD.  All of the above.

3. What proportion of COPD patients has a filamentous fungus at stable state?

- 27%.  49%.  76%.

4. Which of the following was associated with lower lung function in COPD patients?

- Sensitisation to *A. fumigatus*.  History of atopy.  Culture of filamentous fungi.

5. In COPD patients with *A. fumigatus* compared to those without, which of the following is a risk factor (tick all that apply)?

- Smoking.  Males.  Inhaled corticosteroids.  Atopy.  All of the above.

6. On average, how much lower was lung function, as indicated by FEV1 % predicted, in COPD patients sensitised to *A. fumigatus* compared to those not sensitised?

- 11%.  20%.  39%.