**Brand Name:** Pulmicort **Generic:** budesonide **Type:** small molecule

Year Accepted/Phase: 1980s

#### Mechanism:

Budesonide is a corticosteroid that works by reducing inflammation in the airways, thereby decreasing the frequency and severity of asthma symptoms.

# **Chemical Structure:**

# Indication:

Pulmicort is indicated for the maintenance treatment of asthma as prophylactic therapy in adults and children.

# **Clinical trials:**

#### **Clinical Trials for Asthma**

**Purpose:** Evaluate the efficacy and safety of budesonide in patients with asthma. **Dates:** Clinical trials for Pulmicort were conducted in the late 1980s and 1990s. **Results:** These trials demonstrated that budesonide reduced the frequency of asthma exacerbations, improved lung function, and reduced the need for rescue medication (such as short-acting beta-agonists).

**Impact:** The positive results from these trials supported the approval of Pulmicort for the treatment of asthma.