

Salmeterol and formoterol are long-acting  $\beta_2$  agonists (LABAs) and chemical analogs of albuterol. Although both LABAs are usually used on a scheduled basis to control asthma, adults and adolescents with moderate persistent asthma can use the ICS/formoterol combination for relief of acute symptoms. Salmeterol and formoterol have a long duration of action, providing bronchodilation for at least 12 hours.