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Abstract	Background: Asthma is a global health problem that affects 300 million individuals of all ages around a world . Despite international guidelines, asthma control is short of the goal in different parts of the world. Aims of study: To determine if the ACT can be as useful as the GINA-guidelines criteria in assessing asthma control . Methods: A cross-sectional study recruiting 64 patients aged >18 years with asthma were seen at chest clinic of Baghdad Teaching Hospital between February 2015 and May 2015. Asthma control was assessed using the GINA algorithm and the ACT score . Results : There were 64 patients enrolled in this study, 44 patients (68.8%) were female and 20 patients (31.2%) were male . According to ACT score 43 patient (67.2%) had an ACT score of (<15) and 21 patients (32.8%) had an ACT score of (15-19) and none patients had ACT (20-25) . According to GINA classification , 49 patient (76.56%) classified as uncontrolled and 15 patients (23.44) classified as partly controlled and none patients classified as controlled . Conclusion : In our study we found high agreement between ACT score and GINA classification thus ACT score can substitute GINA in assessment of asthma control . Asthma control was also dependently associated with the individual patient's age group.