Supplementary Table 1. Patient characteristics of the children in the study population (n = 123)

	Total
Asthma	33 (26.8)
Sex	
Male	68 (55.3)
Female	55 (44.7)
Rural region	70 (56.9)
Urban region	53 (43.1)
Mean age at time of 1st RAST in months (± SD)	34.3 (±11.4)
Age at time of 1st RAST (inclusion) in years	
1	24 (19.5)
2	46 (37.4)
3	35 (28.5)
4	18 (14.6)
Specific IgE (1st RAST)	42 (34.1)
Number of positive RAST-scores (1st RAST)	
0	81 (65.9)
1	34 (27.6)
2	5 (4.1)
3	3 (2.4)
Specific IgE in 1st RAST to	
Cat	14 (11.4)
House dust mite	29 (23.6)
Dog	10 (8.1)
Total IgE (95% CI) in IU/ml (1st RAST)	29.7 (0.9 to 933.6)
Positive family history of asthma	35 (28.5)
Positive family history of allergy	
House dust mites	37 (30.1)
Pollen	37 (30.1)
Animals	36 (29.3)

SD = standard deviation. IgE = immunoglobulin E. RAST = radio allergosorbent testing. Unless stated data are expressed as numbers (%).