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EMERGENCIES IN IBD

**Regional Symposium on Inflammatory Bowel disease
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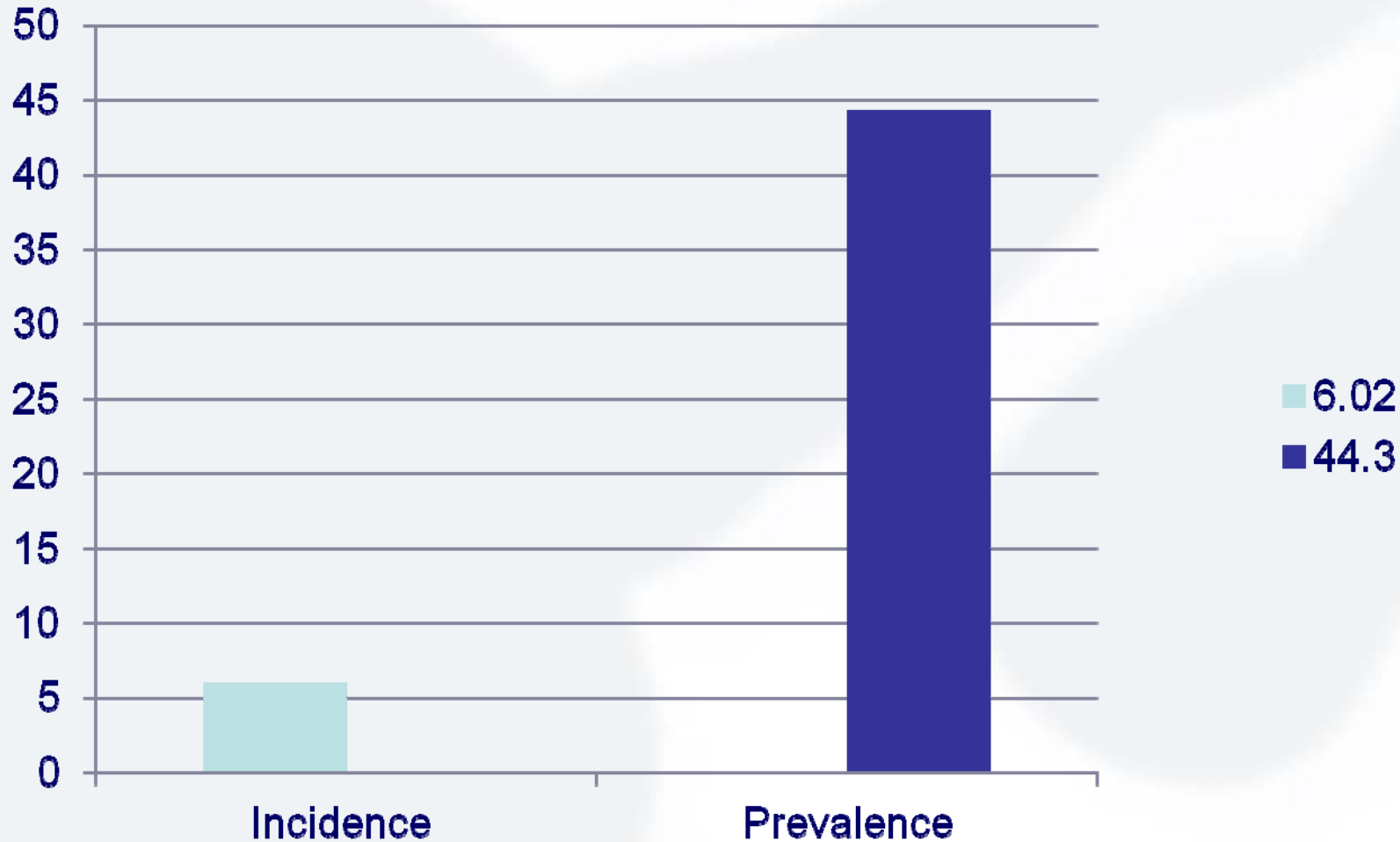
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IBD



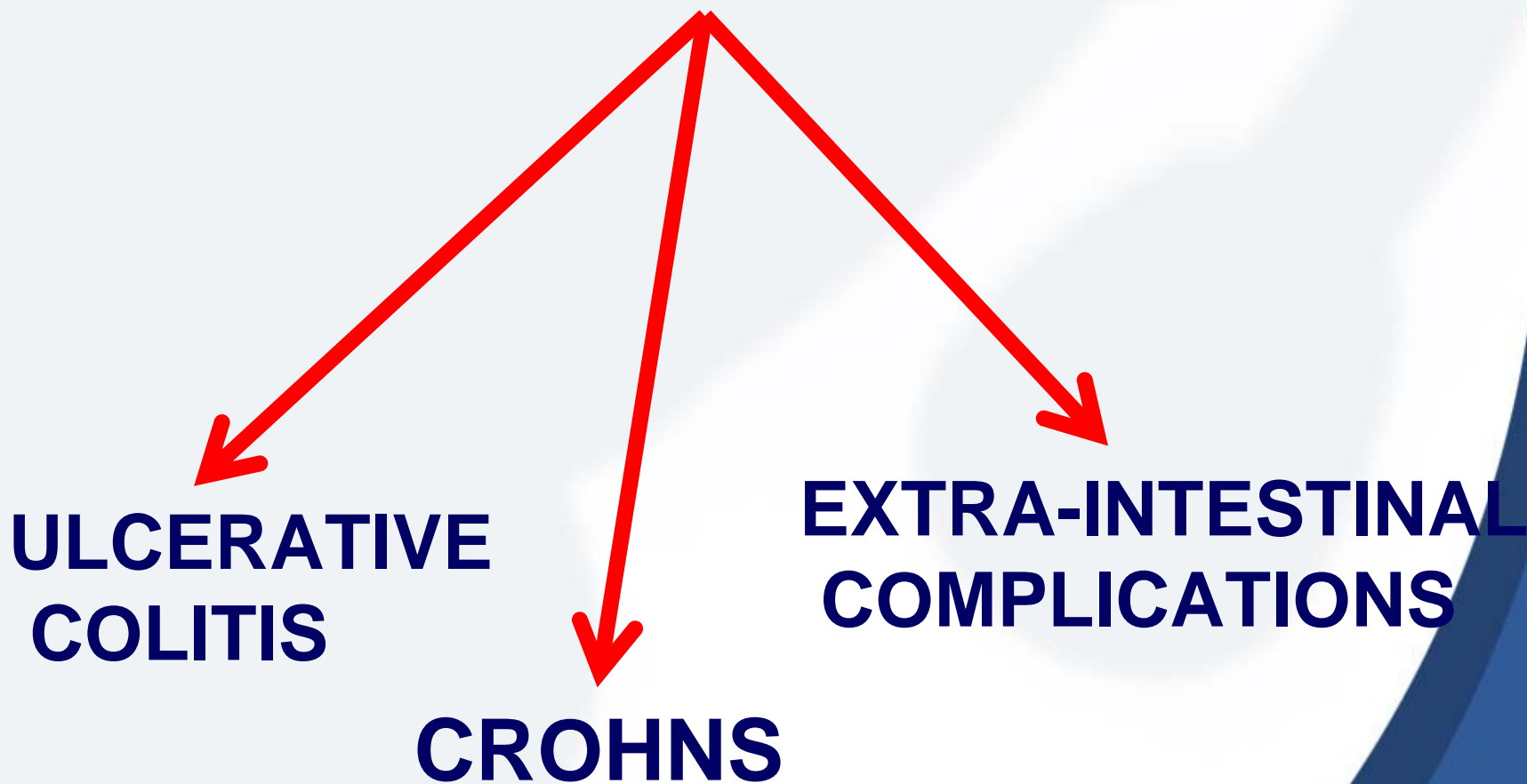
- Chronic inflammatory disease of unknown etiology
- World wide disorder with significant geographical heterogeneity
- Highest prevalence reported from Northern and Western Europe and North America

Incidence and Prevalence of Ulcerative colitis in Punjab





IBD Emergencies



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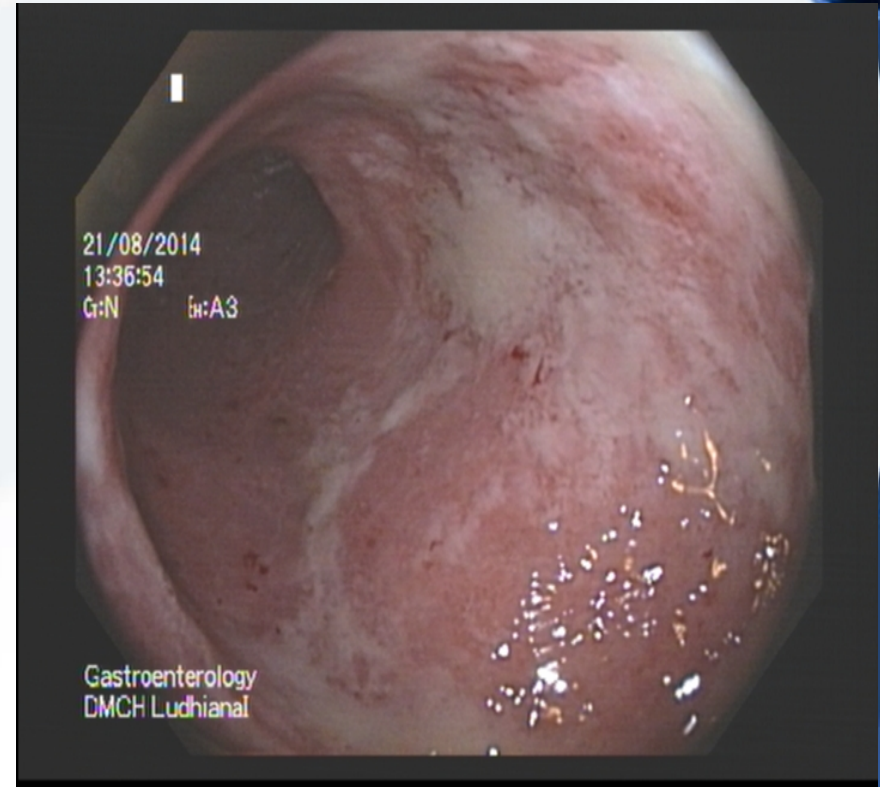
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- ASSOCIATED WITH CROHNS
- EXTRA-INTESTINAL COMPLICATIONS



Ulcerative Colitis –Intestinal Complications



- Fulminant Colitis
- Toxic megacolon
- Lower GI bleed
- Perforation
- Colorectal Cancer



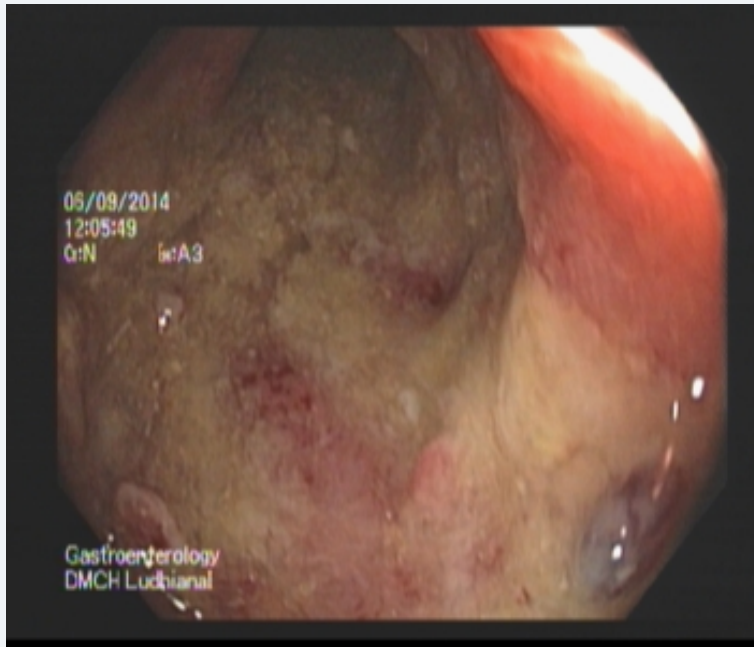
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Fulminant Colitis

- **15 to 20 percent of UC- episode of fulminant colitis.**



Pancolitis predispose to severe flares

Suspect – fulminant colitis ?

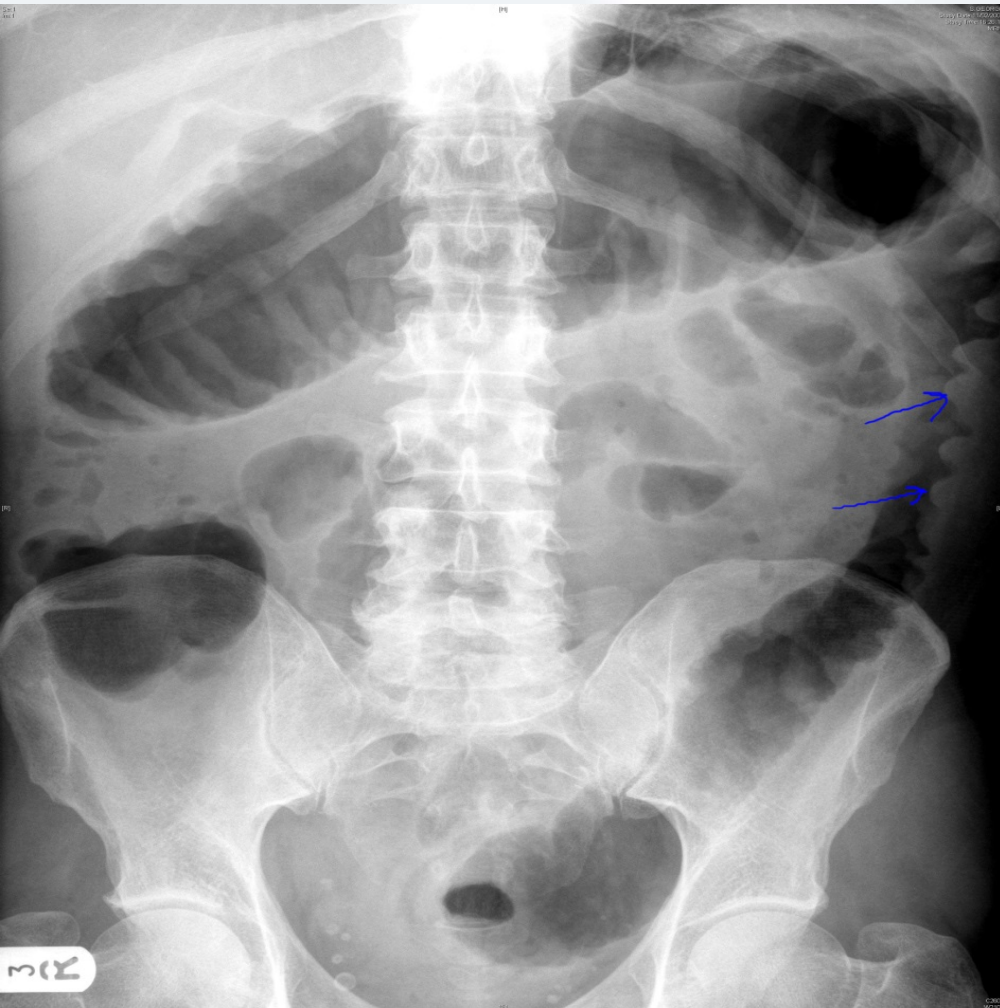
**Typical symptoms -UC (ie, bloody diarrhea, rectal urgency
tenesmus, and abdominal colic) +**

Symptoms	Signs
Fever	Tachycardia
Dehydration	Orthostatic hypotension
Mental changes	Fever
Anorexia	Pale and dry mucosal membranes
Weight loss	Abdominal tenderness
	Hypoactive bowel sounds

Labs -

- Increased TLC(>20,000/mm³)
- Elevated ESR (>40 mm/hr)
- Anemia
- Hypokalemia, Hyponatremia
- Hypoalbuminemia
- Metabolic Alkalosis

Abdominal X-Ray



The distance between loops of bowel is increased due to thickening of the bowel wall.

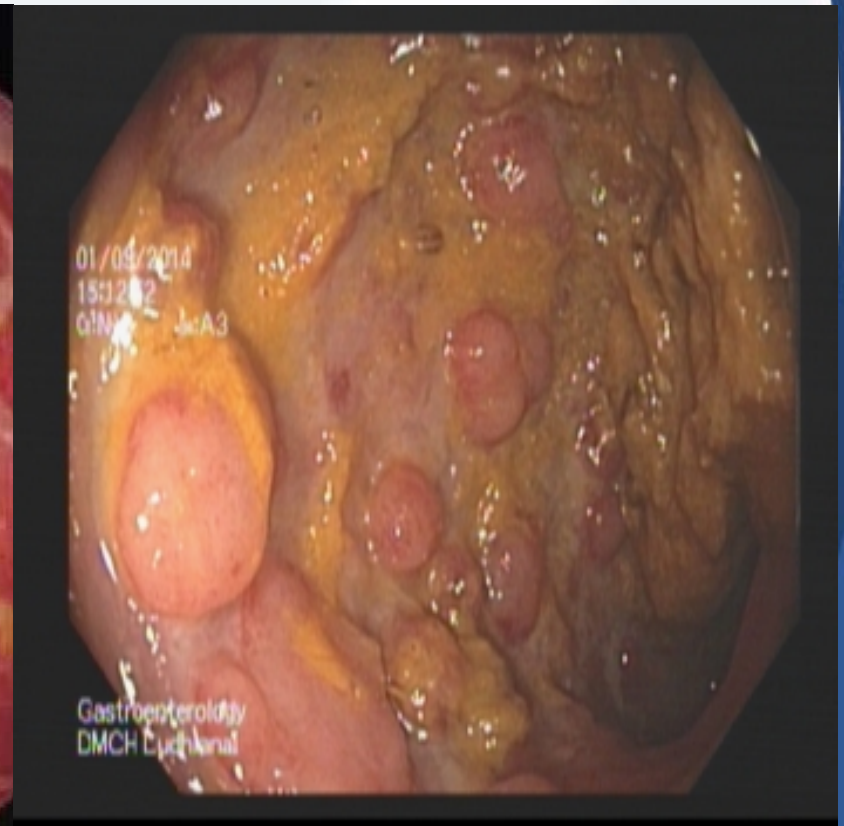
The haustral folds are very thick, leading to a sign known as 'thumbprinting.'





Endoscopy

- Sigmoidoscopy with minimal air insufflation



Ulcerative colitis with acute exacerbation





Colonoscopy and Barium studies

CONTRAINDICATED

Differential Diagnosis

✓ R/o Enteric infections

Get patient's stool analyzed for salmonella, shigella, campylobacter, Escherichia coli 0157:H7, ova and parasites, and Clostridium difficile.

✓ CMV should be excluded by serology and rectal biopsy



Treatment

- ✓ I/V fluids
 - ✓ Electrolytes Replacement
 - ✓ Blood transfusion for severe anemia
 - ✓ Avoid anti-motility drugs
 - ✓ I/V Steroids (Hydrocortisone 300-400 mg/d)
- +/- ASA and Antibiotics**



Choices available in Steroid Refractory Severe UC

- Medical Rescue therapy
 - Cyclosporine
 - Infliximab
- Surgical
 - Proctocolectomy

Infliximab

- Placebo 14/21 }
- INF 5mg/kg 7/24 } 3 mnths
- Data from the Scandinavian controlled trial, indicates that even a single dose infliximab protects against colectomy at 2 years

Gastroenterology 2007;132-146

Gastroenterology 2005;128:1805-11

Infliximab in patients with severe steroid-refractory ulcerative colitis: Indian experience

**Ajit Sood • Vandana Midha • Suresh Sharma •
Neena Sood • Manu Bansal • Amandeep Thara •
Pankaj Khanna**

In a recent retrospective study from our institution of 28 patients, Infliximab achieved clinical response in 24 patients (85.6%) of Severe steroid refractory UC by week 8 and hence avoided urgent colectomy and in 2 years follow up 9/16 (56%) did not require colectomy

Cyclosporine

- Data from a single centre controlled trial in 73 patients indicate that **2 mg/kg/day IV cyclosporine is as effective as surgery** for severe attacks of ulcerative colitis
- When results from controlled and non-controlled trials are pooled **76% to 85% of patients will respond to IV cyclosporine and avoid colectomy in the short term.**

CGH 2006:4-760-5

DMC Data



Cyclosporine in the treatment of severe steroid refractory ulcerative colitis: a retrospective analysis of 24 cases.

DMCH data showed that surgery can be avoided in two-thirds of patients with steroid refractory severe UC. drug toxicity and mortality were of significance

Long-term outcome of cyclosporin rescue therapy in acute, steroid-refractory severe ulcerative colitis

Tamás Molnár, Klaudia Farkas, Zoltán Szepes, Ferenc Nagy, Mónika Szűcs, Tibor Nyári, Anita Bálint and Tibor Wittmann

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- Recent data suggests that longer the cyclosporin is used , more possible it is to avoid colectomy .

Infliximab Vs Cyclosporine



Int J Colorectal Dis (2013) 28:287–293
DOI 10.1007/s00384-012-1602-8

REVIEW

Infliximab versus cyclosporine as rescue therapy in acute severe steroid-refractory ulcerative colitis: a systematic review and meta-analysis

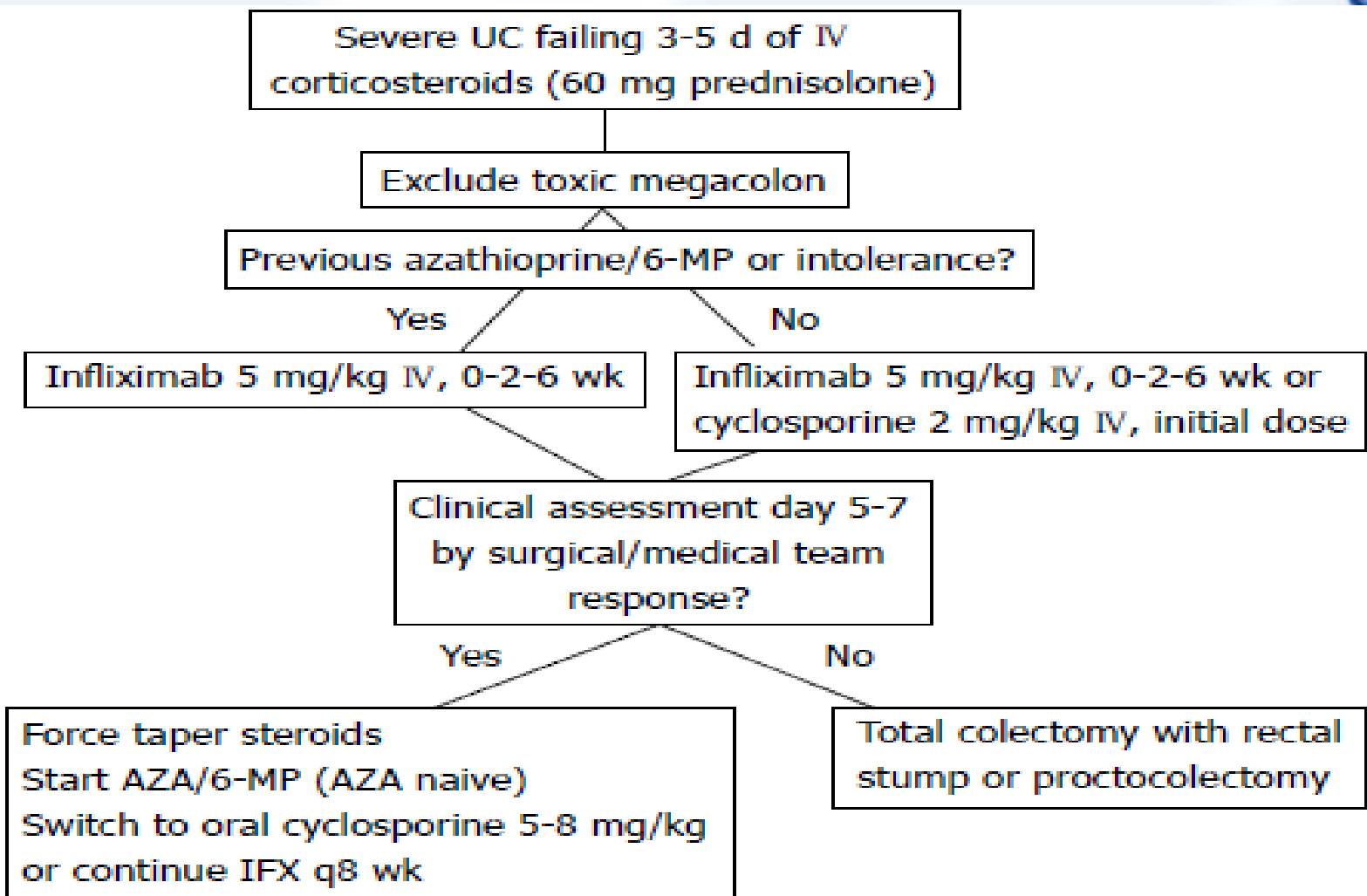
Kah Hoong Chang • John P. Burke • J. Calvin Coffey

**Comparable at 3 and 12 mnth in colectomy rates ,
adverse drug reactions and Post-operative
complications.**



	Cyclosporine-A	Infliximab
Dosing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">– IV: 2–4 mg/kg/day, 5 mg/kg orally– Blood level monitoring	IV 5 mg/kg week 0–2–6 and Q 8 weeks maintenance
Efficacy	Evidence from RCT ^{7 8}	Evidence from RCT ¹⁷
Onset of action	Rapid (4 days)	Rapid
Complications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Serious infections– Anaphylactic reaction (IV)– Seizures– Nephrotoxicity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Serious infections– Anaphylactic reaction
Long-term options	Bridge to purine analogue	Induction and maintenance

Treatment algorithm for the management of severe steroid refractory ulcerative colitis



Acute severe colitis

Admission

AXR (colon ≥ 6 cm = 85%; mucosal islands = 75%)
Number of T&W criteria (+2 = 31%, ≥ 3 = 48%)
Albumin < 30 g/L = 42%
Flexible sigmoidoscopy extensive deep ulceration = 93%

Monitor stool frequency, CRP
and albumin

Day 3 of intravenous steroids

Stool frequency $> 8/d$ = 85%
Stool frequency 3-8 and CRP > 45 mg/L = 85%
Edinburgh index > 5 = 85%
PUCAI (children) > 45 = 43% (positive predictive value for steroid failure)

Consider and start rescue
therapy if day 3 criteria met

Day 5 of admission

Seo index ≥ 180 = 52%
PUCAI (children) > 65 = 100% (positive predictive value for steroid failure)

Continue to monitor stool
frequency and bleeding

After discharge without colectomy

Readmission rate = 36%
Complete response (< 3 stools/d, no blood on day 7) = 5% colectomy at 1yr, 32% at 10yr
Incomplete response (> 3 stools/d, or visible blood) = 54% colectomy at 1yr, 77% at 10yr
PUCAI > 45 on day 3 = 70% colectomy at 5yr

Toxic Megacolon

Daniel M. Autenrieth, MD, and Daniel C. Baumgart, MD, PhD

- Total or segmental nonobstructive colonic dilatation with systemic toxicity.
- Incidence 1- 5 %

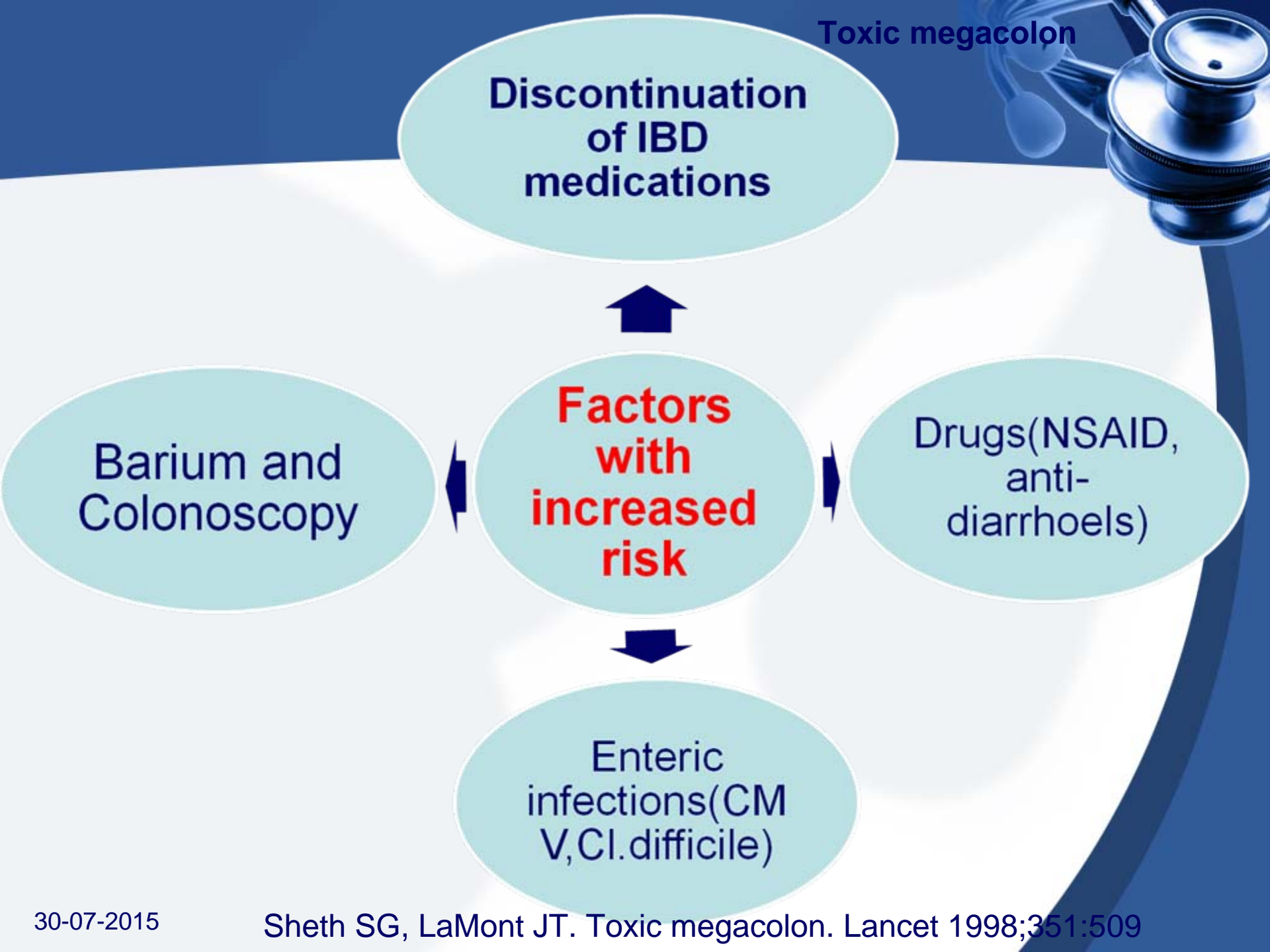
In a prospective study toxic megacolon was reported in 7.9% of patients admitted with UC.

- Mortality rates declined to 0-2 % from 27 % in 1976





- ***Patients with IBD are at highest risk of developing toxic megacolon at an early stage of disease: up to 30% of patients present within 3 months of diagnosis***





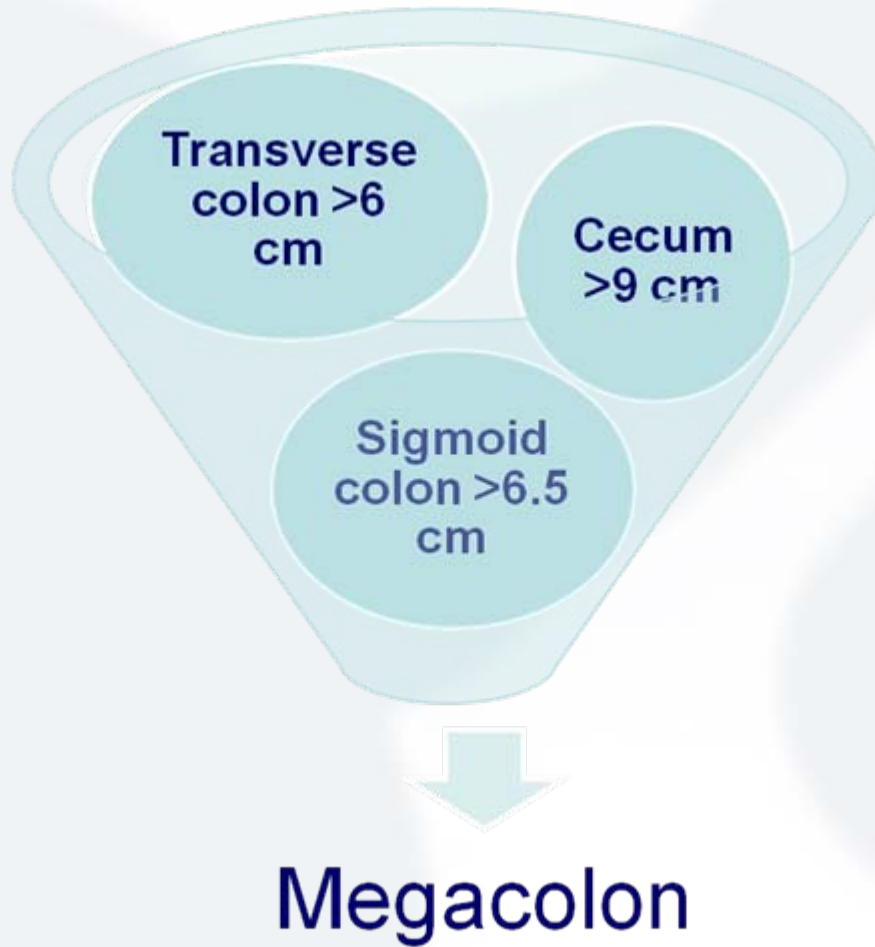
At least three of the following:
Temperature > 101.5F
Heart rate > 120 bpm
Leukocyte count > 10,500/mm³ with a left shift
Anemia with hematocrit < 60% of N

Radiographic evidence of colonic dilation

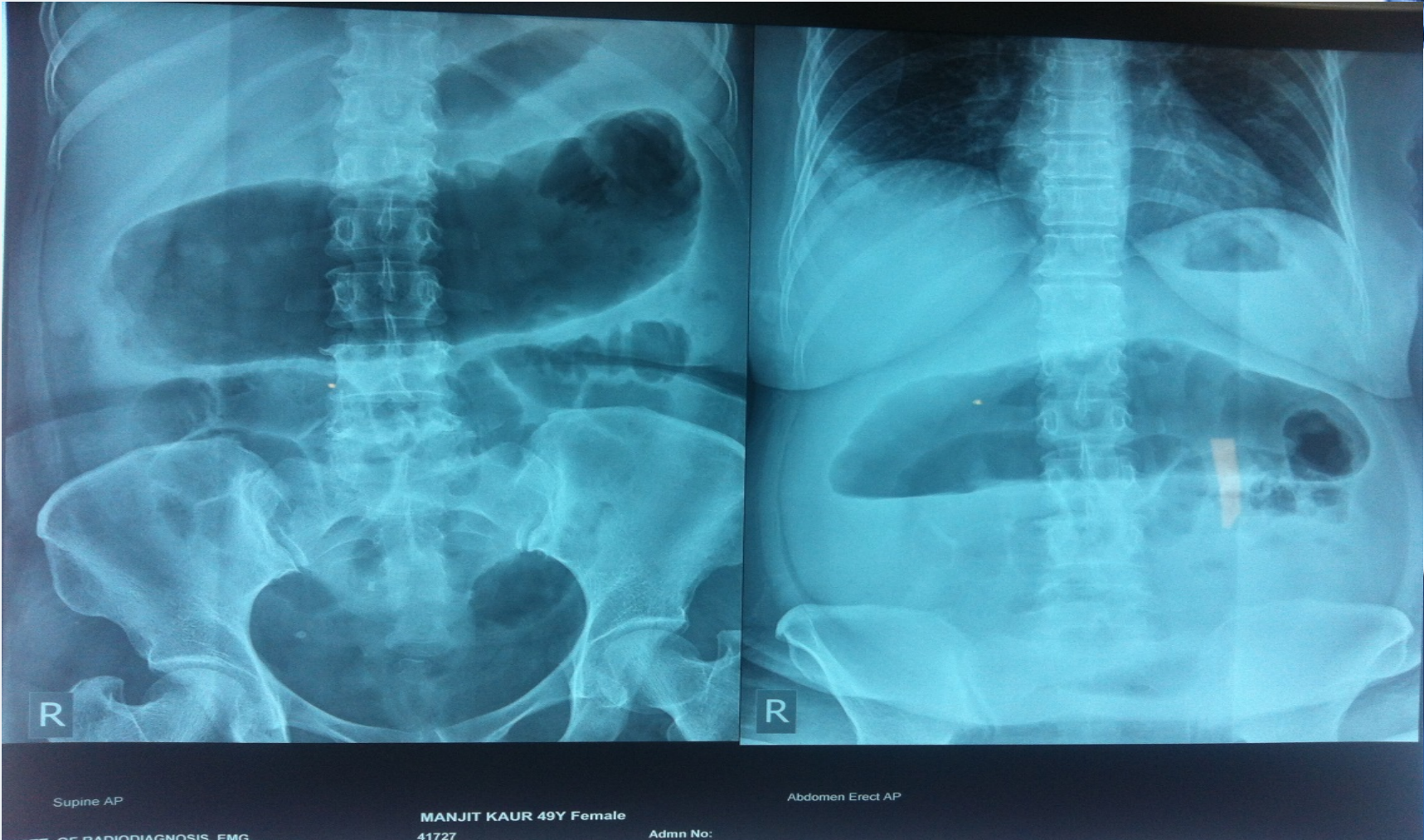
At least one of the following:
Dehydration
Mental status changes
Electrolyte abnormalities
Hypotension

Diagnostic criteria for Toxic Megacolon

Colonic dilatation



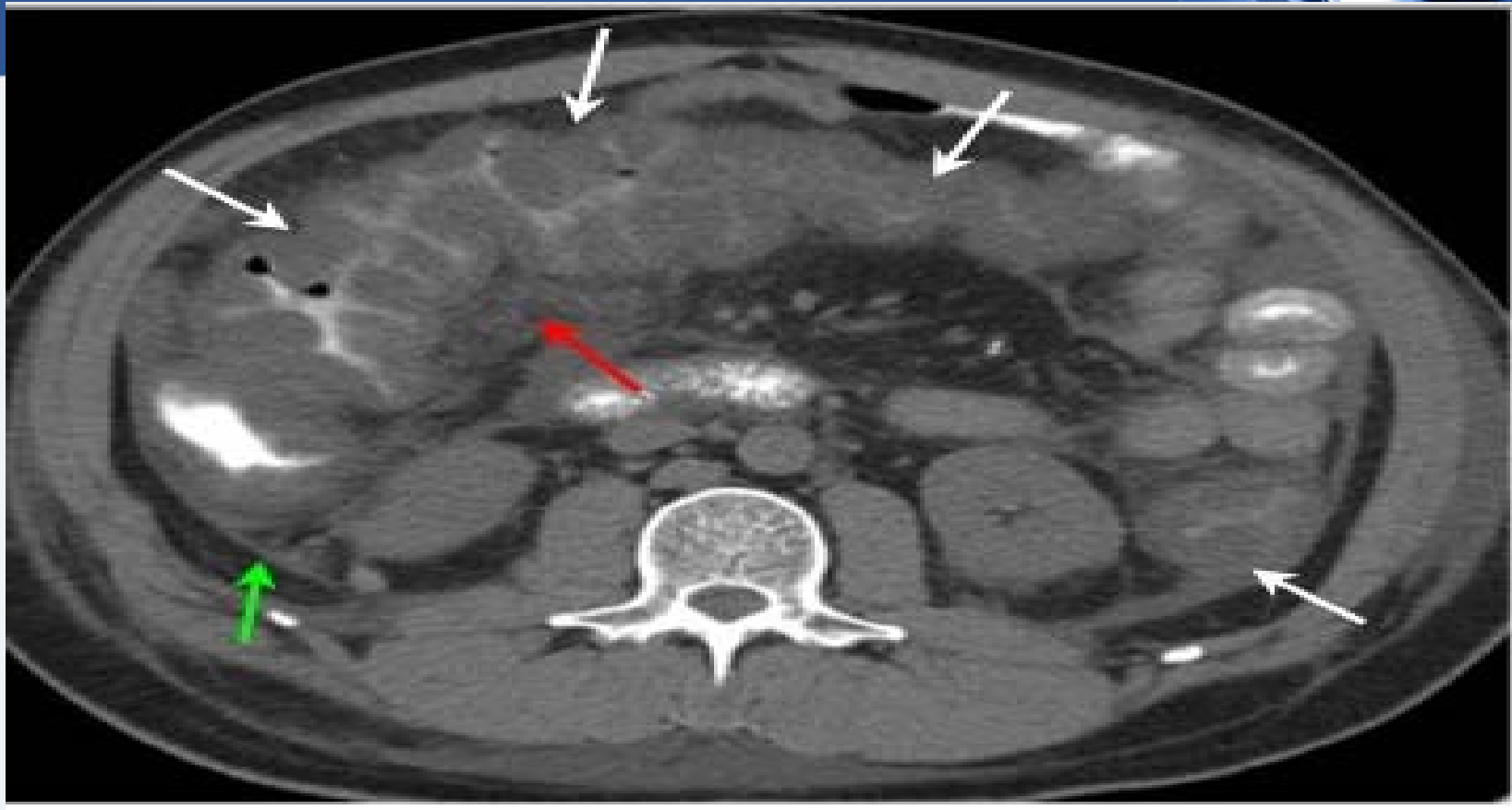
Abdominal X-ray



Labs:

- Anemia
- Increased TLC with left ward shift
- Hypokalemia, Hypophosphatemia
- Hypocalcemia, hypomagnesemia
- Hypoalbuminemia
- Increased ESR, CRP

- Enteric infection should be ruled out
- ***In one series, cytomegalovirus was found in the resected colon of 6 out of 46 patients with UC and of the six who had cytomegalovirus, five had a toxic megacolon***



- I. Diffuse colonic thickening
- II. Accordion Sign(thickened haustra with alternating bands of high and low density)

- I. Target Sign
- II. Peri-colic stranding

Management

Medical management

- Correct Electrolytes, dehydration and Anemia
- Avoid Anti-motility drugs
- Bowel Rest
- Repositioning techniques
- Prophylaxis of Deep Venous thrombosis

Role of Steroids

- Hydrocortisone 400 mg/day or Methylprednisolone 60 mg/day for 5 days is the recommended regimen
- No benefit in higher dose or extension of therapy.
- Failure rate of intravenous steroids in patients with severe colitis is 20%–40%

Other Therapies

- No data support a benefit of oral aminosalicylates.
- ***Though used by some in the setting of severe UC, there are no controlled studies investigating the use of cyclosporin A or the monoclonal antibody infliximab in toxic megacolon.***



Studies

Surgery

Grant showed that **47%** of patients with severe UC undergo surgical resection even after initially successful medical treatment

In a study by **Katzka** et al 19 patients treated conservatively with steroids and antibiotic improved clinically with **75%** did not require colectomy in longterm

Medical

Definite Role of Surgery

- Mainstay of therapy in
 - Medically unresponsive patients.
 - Perforation
 - Uncontrollable bleeding
 - Clinical deterioration
- ***Colectomy with ileostomy followed by restorative proctocolectomy with IPAA anastomosis later***



INTERNAL MEDICINE

□ CASE REPORT □

Oral Tacrolimus for Megacolon in Patients with Severe Ulcerative Colitis

Ken Narabayashi, Takuya Inoue, Taisuke Sakanaka, Munetaka Iguchi, Kaori Fujiwara,
Naoki Yorifuji, Kazuki Kakimoto, Sadaharu Nouda, Toshihiko Okada, Kumi Ishida,
Yosuke Abe, Daisuke Masuda, Toshihisa Takeuchi, Shinya Fukunishi,
Eiji Umegaki and Kazuhide Higuchi

LGI bleed

- Massive life threatening LGI bleed uncommon -6%
- Endoscopic management not possible due to diffuse nature of colonic inflammation
- Surgery usually curative for UC
- Colectomy significantly decreases the chance of rebleeding and has a better outcome than in those treated medically even for Crohns

Perforation



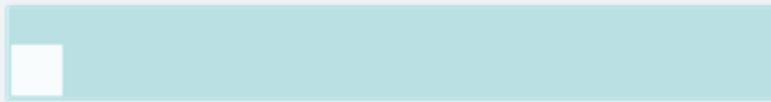
- Rare – 1 %
- MC segment at risk – Sigmoid Colon
- Classical presentation of Peritonitis – Absent
- Hepatic Dullness – **CHECK DAILY IN UC**
- Mortality >50 %





Risk with Colonoscopy

Disease related



- Female sex
- Advance age
- Severe colitis
- Use of corticosteroids
- Presence of co-morbidites
- Stricture dilation

Technique related



- Lack of Proper training
- Poor coordination
- Excessive air insufflation and endoscopic looping
- Lack of well defined anatomy prior to stricture dilatation.
- Balloon inflated too rapidly for dialatation

Risk factors for perforation in Endoscopic dilation of Strictures



Study	Reported Risk Factors
Couckuyt (1995) ⁵⁶	Ileosigmoidal/ileorectal strictures, balloon size, anesthesia
Thomas-Gibson (2003) ⁶¹	De novo strictures
Nomura (2006) ⁷⁷	Balloon size, de novo strictures
Singh (2005) ⁵⁷	Inflamed area, angulation, multiple dilations, passage of endoscope immediately after dilation
Ferlitsch (2006) ⁷⁸	Fistulae, passage of endoscope immediately after dilation
Foster (2008) ¹⁸	Complex anastomotic strictures
Stienecker (2009) ⁸¹	Multiple dilations
Shen (2011) ^{63*}	Multiple dilations, angulation

*Dilation of ileal pouch strictures.

Management

Perforation



• SURGERY

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Extra-Intestinal manifestation



Thromboembolic

Deep vein thrombosis
Thrombophlebitis
Pulmonary embolus
Portal vein thrombosis
or hepatic vein
thrombosis
Cerebral vascular
thrombosis

Carotid
thromboembolism
Retinal venous
thrombosis
Gonadal vein thrombosis
Mesenteric venous
thrombosis

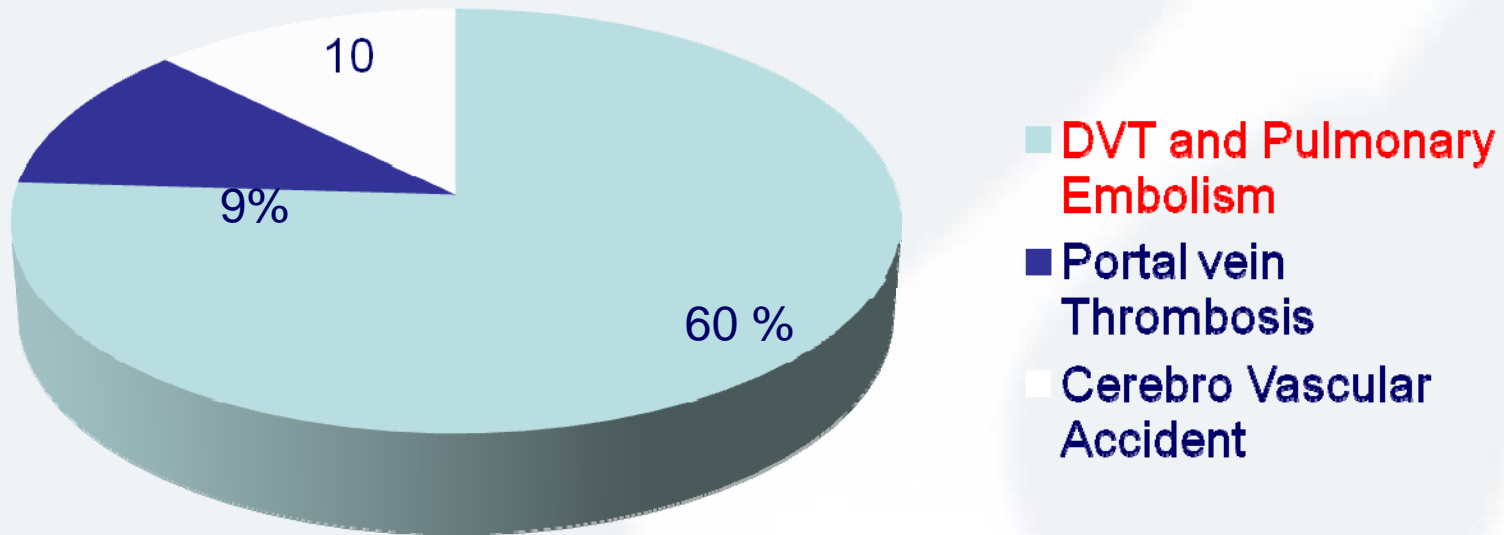
Ocular

Episcleritis
Uveitis (may lead
to blindness)
Subcapsular
cataracts
(complication of
corticosteroids)

Hepatobiliary

Primary sclerosing
cholangitis
Pericholangitis
Cholelithiasis
Hepatitis

Incidence



Thromboembolic Complication

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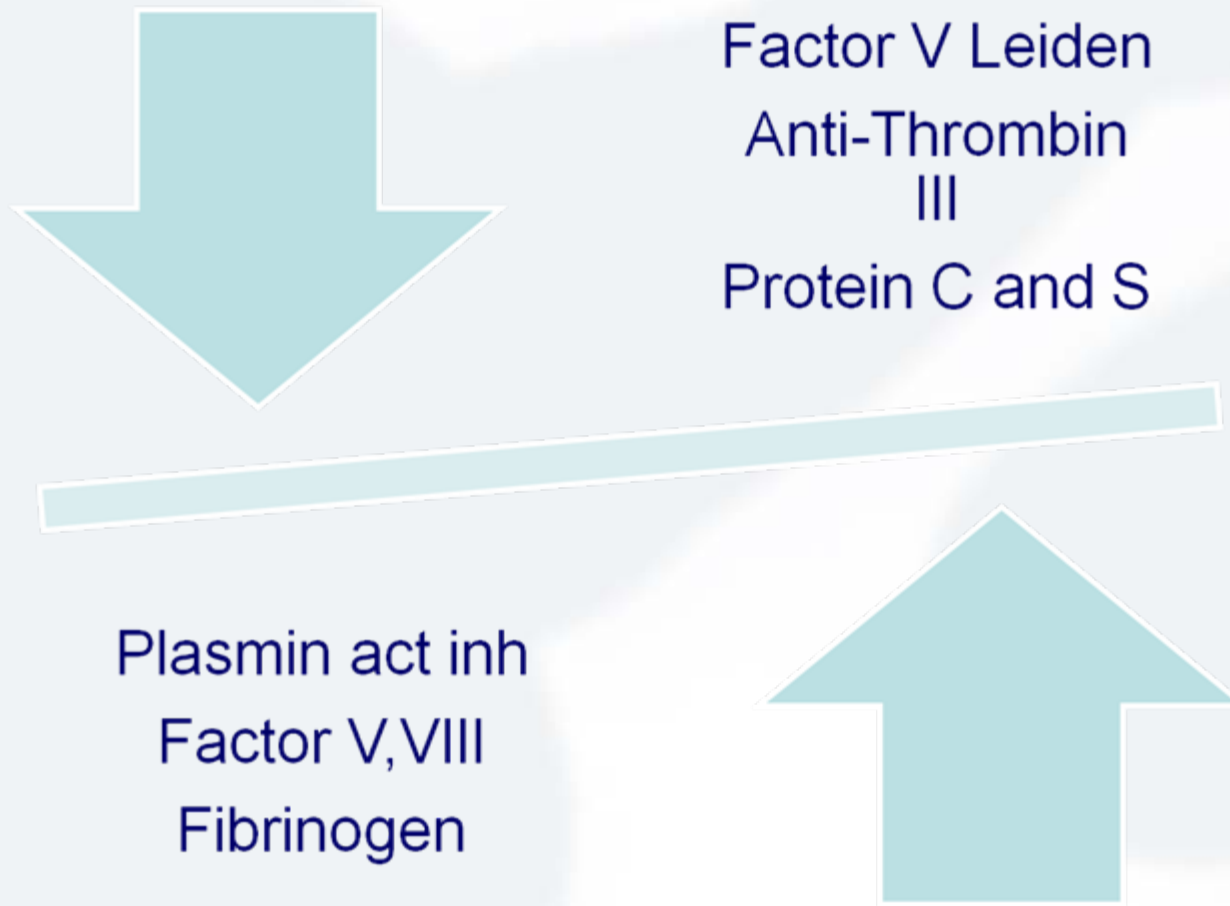
The incidence for thrombotic complications in IBD has been reported as low as 1% to 6% in one study and as high as 39% in a postmortem study

One study found that 60% of patients with active inflammatory disease had a hypercoagulable state compared with 15% with inactive disease .

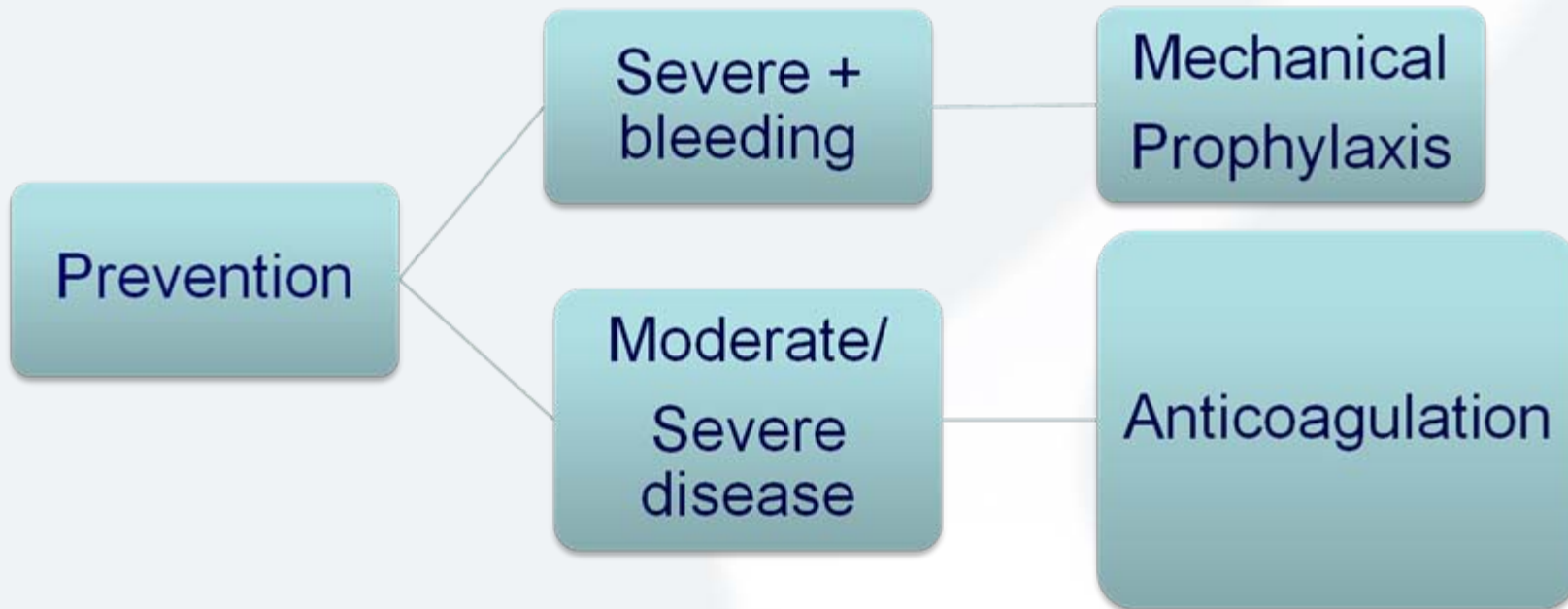
Grainge MJ Lancet 2010 ;375:657-663

Lim A Gastroenterology 2011 ;140(suppl);S428

Coagulation abnormalities



PREVENTION




Guidelines



VTE –

**Active disease-Anticoagulation
to continue until IBD in
remission for atleast 3 mnths**

**Inactive disease-
Life long Anti-coagulation**

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– Recurrent pulmonary emboli from thrombosis of the ileofemoral veins and massive colonic bleeding during anticoagulation require vena caval interruption with or without colectomy.

IBD Complications



- ASSOCIATED WITH UC
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Complications Associated with Crohns



- Abscess-Intra-abdominal and Peri-anal
- Intestinal Obstruction
- Fistula
- Fissure
- Bile Acid Diarrhoea
- Bacterial Overgrowth
- Malabsorption and Malnutrition

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Abscess

- Abdominal or perirectal abscesses associated with perforating or fistulizing crohns disease
- Prevelance -25%

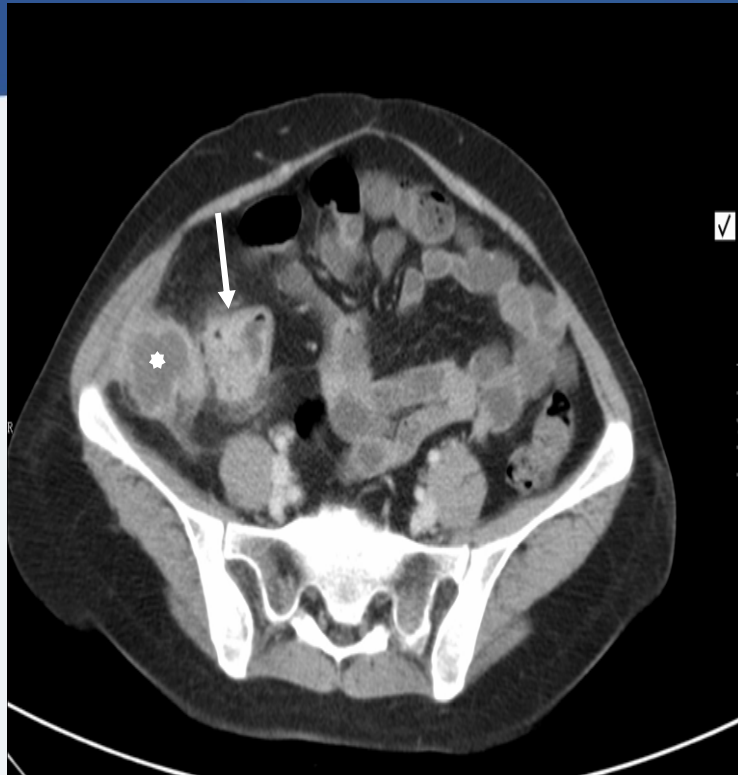
Ribeiro MB, Greenstein AJ, Yamazaki Y, et al.

30-07-2016 Gastroenterol Clin N Am 32 (2003) 1269–1288



	Intra abdominal	Peri anal
Symptoms and Signs	Abdominal pain and Fever Toxic appearance Tenderness on abdominal Examination	Fever Severe anal pain Erythema and Induration of the skin overlying the perianal space
Diagnosis	Elevated WBC Abdominal and pelvic CT scan (deep pelvic cuts if iliopsoas abscess Suspected)	Digital rectal Examination Pelvic CT scan or MRI Endorectal Ultrasonography Examination under anesthesia
Treatment	Antibiotics Percutaneous drainage by US or CT guidance Surgery: primary resection and anastomosis if abscess amenable to radiologic drainage, otherwise surgical drainage, resection, and temporary ileostomy	Antibiotics-Ciprofloxacin and metronidazole Surgery: Local incision and drainage Examination under anesthesia with catheter or seton placement Medical therapy for fistula once abscess drained: Azathioprine/ 6MP Infliximab
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Crohn's Disease with perforation and abscess formation



Axial and coronal contrast enhanced CT images reveal : Enhancing wall thickening involving the caecum and ascending colon (white arrow) with associated peripherally enhancing collection (asterisk) adjacent to it in the right iliac fossa secondary to perforation. Histopathology : Crohn's disease.

Intestinal Obstruction



- Inflammatory or fibro-stenotic narrowing of the intestine
- Most common location is Terminal ileum
- Gastroduodenal involvement is less common.

Radiology



Small Bowel Obstruction



Clinical Features

Abdominal pain
Bloating and distension
Borborygmi
Nausea ,vomiting
Weight loss

Diagnosis

Abdominal X-ray

Small bowel dialatation
Air fluid levels

BMFT

Luminal Stricture
Small bowel dilation

Management

Bowel rest
Nasogastric Decompression
I/V fluids
Anti-inflammatory
Medication

Fibrostenotic Obstruction

Surgical Resection
Strictureplasty
Endoscopic Balloon
Dialation

Gastroduodenal Obstruction



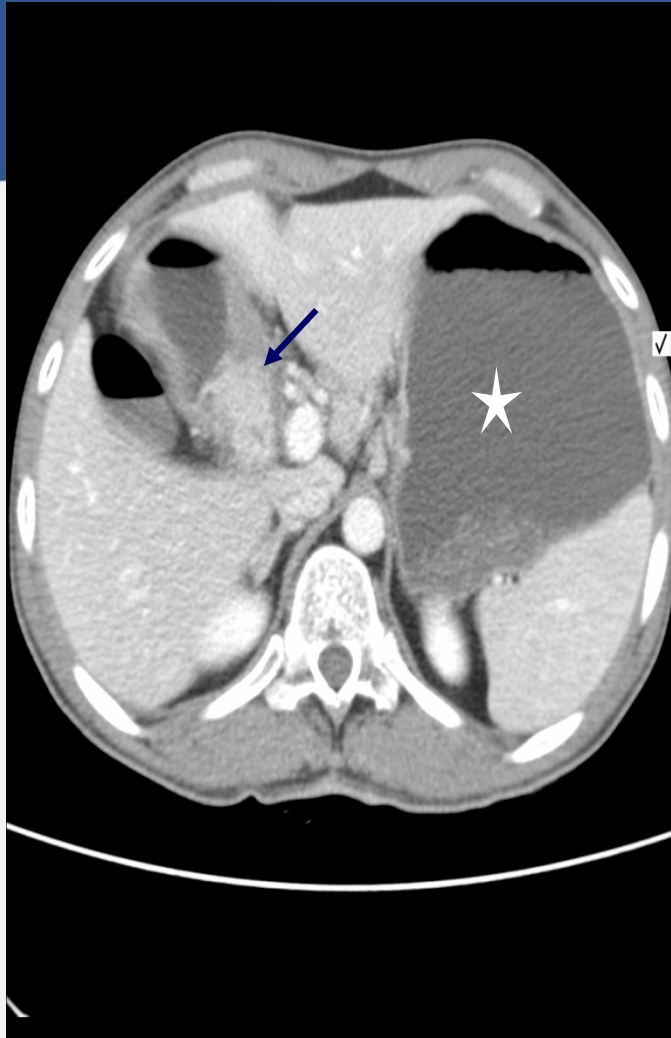
Clinical features

- Early satiety
- Vomiting After meals
- Abdominal pain

Diagnosis

- Dilated Stomach on X-ray Abdomen
- UGI endoscopy showing pyloric obstruction

Crohn's disease with gastric outlet obstruction.



37 year old male with features of gastric outlet obstruction : Axial and Coronal CT images reveal dilated stomach (asterisk) with narrowed , thickened pylorus and first part of duodenum. Histopathology : Crohn's disease.

Management

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- Endoscopic balloon dilatation of Pyloric Stricture
- PPI
- Treatment of Active Crohns
- Surgery for refractory disease

Ocular



Episcleritis

3-4 % of IBD pts

Mild burning and Itching with no pain

Treat IBD
Topical Steroids may help

Uveitis

0.5-3 %
Ass with HLA-B27

Pain,
photophobia,
headache
visual blurring

**Topical
/Systemic
Steroids**

Cataract

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One study reported that cataracts developed in 25% of patients receiving 15 mg of prednisone for 1 year

Levine SB, Leopold IH WB Saunders; 1975.

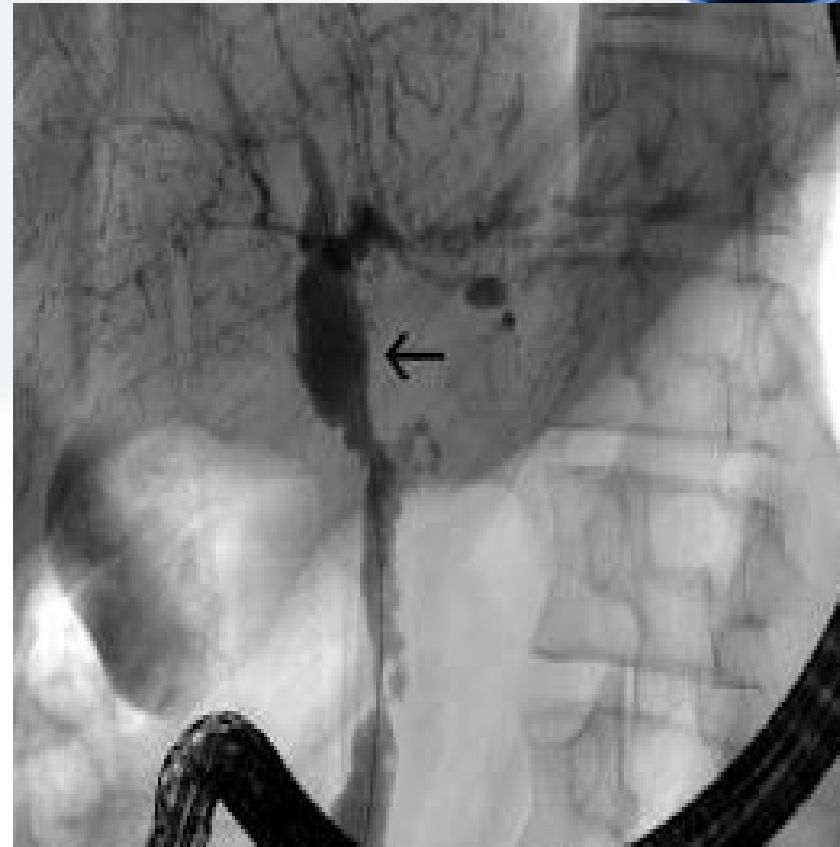
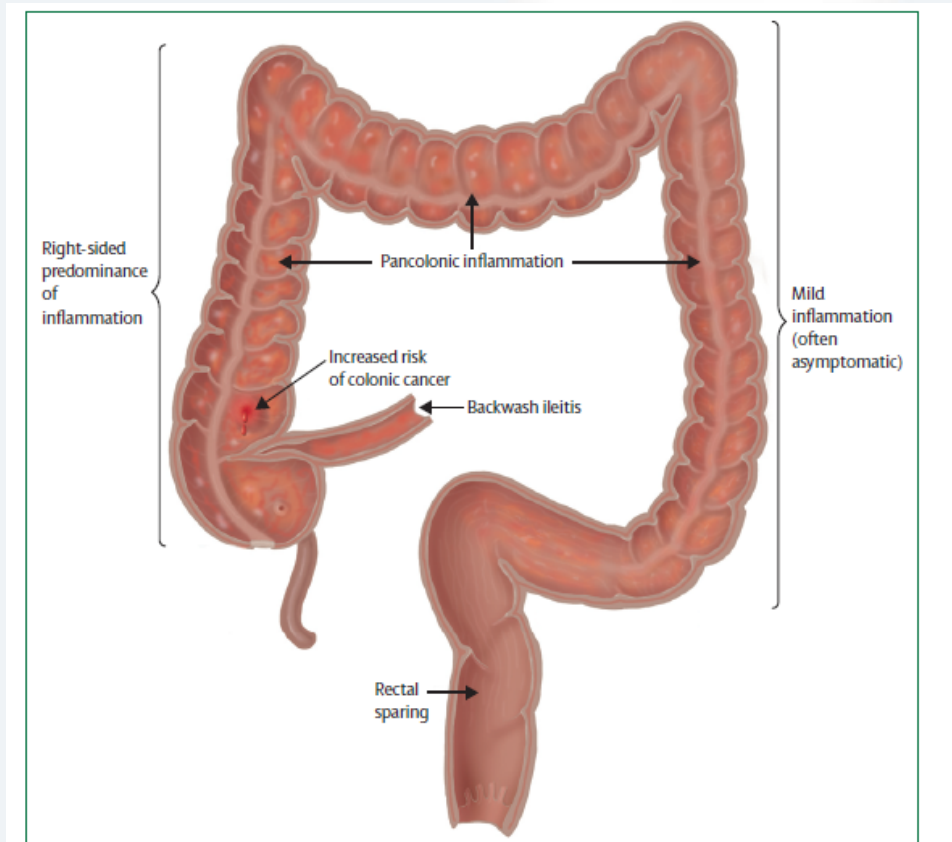
IBD patients who have received chronic corticosteroids should have routine (annual) slit lamp examinations.

IBD and PSC



- PSC has been diagnosed in between 2.4% and 7.5% of patients with UC and was found in 3.4% among a large group of 262 CD patients
- **Conversely prevalence of IBD in PSC :60%-80%.**
- The most frequent type of IBD in PSC is
 - UC(48%-86%)
 - Up to 13% have Crohn disease (CD) which usually involves the colon.

Characteristics of IBD unique to PSC



PSC and IBD

- ✓ *The course of PSC is variable and does not parallel the natural course of IBD .*
- ✓ *The median time from diagnosis of PSC to either death or liver transplantation is approximately 12 years.*
- ✓ *Patients who are asymptomatic and have normal serum bilirubin at diagnosis have a longer survival time than symptomatic patients.*



Complication

- M.C Emergent Complication :Bacterial cholangitis
- Etiology: Choledocholithiasis or Biliary stricture
- Management
 - ***Broad –Spectrum Antibiotics***
 - ***Endoscopic balloon Dialation /Stenting of dominant stricture***
 - ***For small stones /debris Sphincterotomy is sufficient***





- THKS....



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Diagnostic criteria for Toxic Megacolon



1. Radiographic evidence of colonic dilation

2. At least three of the following:

- ❖ Temperature $> 101.5^{\circ}\text{F}$
- ❖ Heart rate > 20 bpm
- ❖ Leukocyte count $> 10,500/\text{mm}^3$ with a left shift
- ❖ Anemia with hematocrit $\leq 60\%$ of N

3. At least one of the following:

- ❖ Dehydration
- ❖ Mental status changes
- ❖ Electrolyte abnormalities
- ❖ Hypotension

Severity of disease



- **True love and Witts criteria**

- **Mild**

- <4 stools/day with or without only small amounts of blood
- No fever
- No tachycardia
- Mild anemia
- ESR< 30 mm/HR

- **Moderate**

- Intermediate between mild and severe

- **Severe**

- > 6 stools/day, with blood
- Fever >37.5° C
- Heart rate > 90 beats/min
- Anemia with Hb< 75 % of normal
- ESR> 30 mm/hr

UCDAI

- **Stool Frequency**

- 0 Normal
- 1 1-2 stools/day > normal
- 2 3-4 stools/day > normal
- 3 > 4 stools/day > normal

- **Rectal bleeding**

- 0 None
- 1 Streaks of blood
- 2 Obvious blood
- 3 Mostly blood

- **Mucosal Appearance**

- 0 Normal
- 1 Mild friability
- 2 Moderate friability
- 3 Exudation , spontaneous bleeding

- **Physician Global assessment**

- 0 Normal
- 1 Mild
- 2 Moderate
- 3 Severe

>10-Severe disease

Infliximab VS Cyclosporine

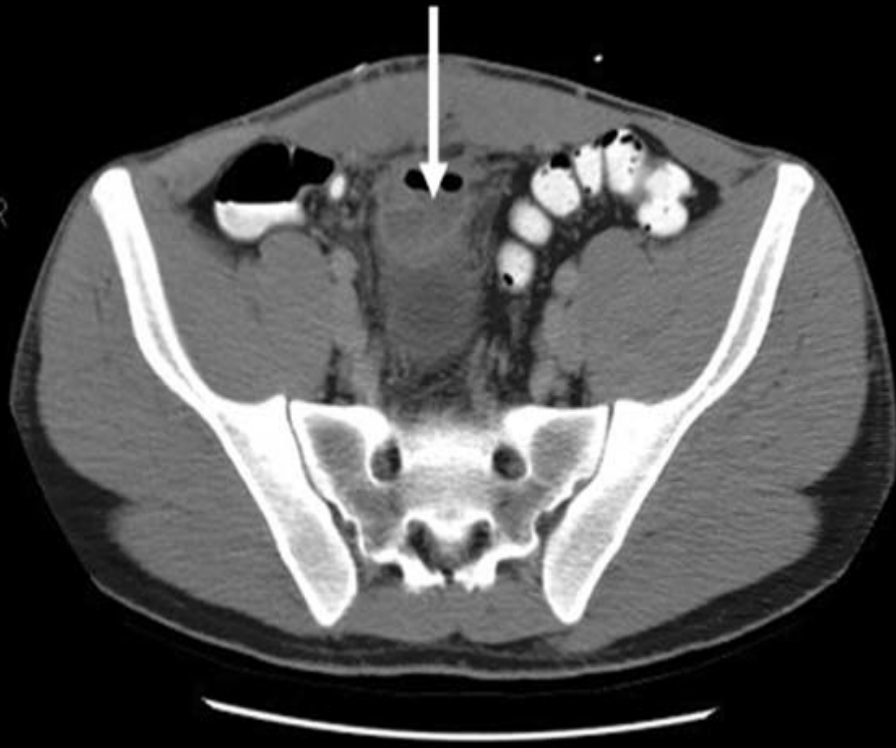


- Preliminary results from a randomized controlled trial that compared the effects of cyclosporine and infliximab in 110 patients showed no difference in short-term (7- and 90-day) efficacy.



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Abscess emanating from diseased ileum

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A

Iliopsoas Abscess

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