

# Quiz- Dec 2015

Answers

Q1. what is the most powerful muscle  
in the body?

Chewing muscles, buccinator- masseter

80kg

enamel

Q2. how many times a day do we  
swallow ?

600-2000

1litre

Night time less!

Q3. how many muscles are used in  
swallowing?

20 pairs

CVA- SALT

MND

Cf hand

## Q4. what is opiorphin?

Stronger than morphine.

Sore throat after eating

In the morning

Q5. how long is the small intestine ?

Q6.If we had no villi, how long would the small intestine have to be ?

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18m

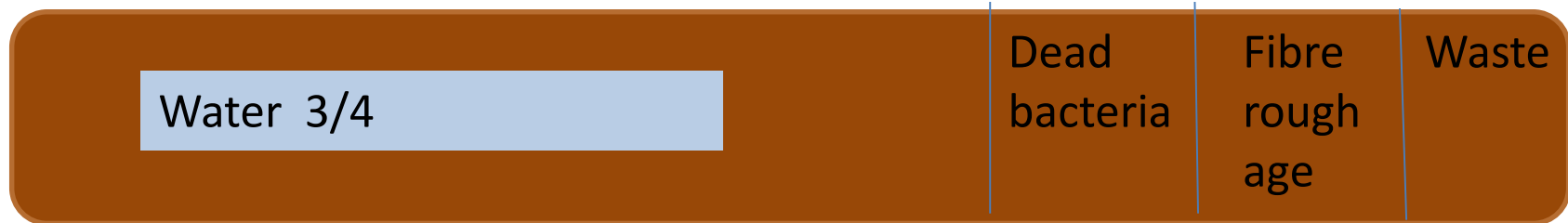
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## BRISTOL STOOL CHART



Type 1 Separate hard lumps

Very constipated



Type 2 Lumpy and sausage like

Slightly constipated



Type 3 A sausage shape with cracks in the surface

Normal



Type 4 Like a smooth, soft sausage or snake

Normal



Type 5 Soft blobs with clear-cut edges

Lacking fibre



Type 6 Mushy consistency with ragged edges

Inflammation



Type 7 Liquid consistency with no solid pieces

Inflammation

Q8. In BSS Type 1 stool, how long does it take the digestive remains to pass through the gut ?

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Type 1 – 10 days !

Type 7 – 10 hours !

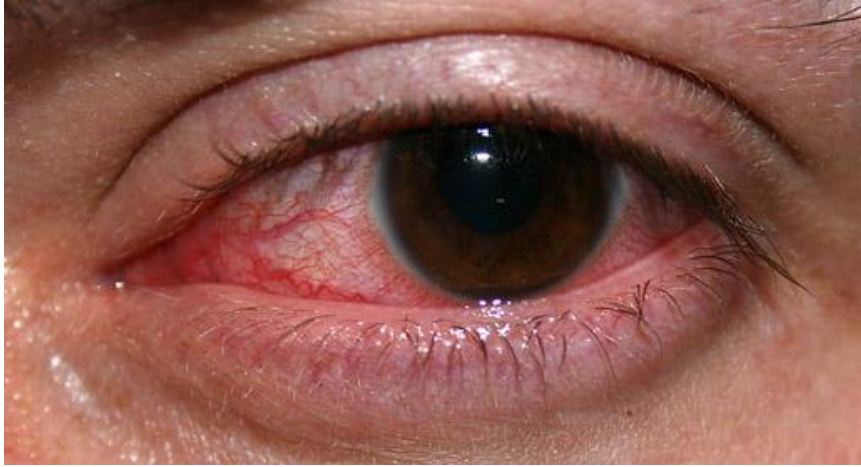
Q9 . What is this itchy rash ?  
What test might you want to do?



Dermatitis herpetiformis...

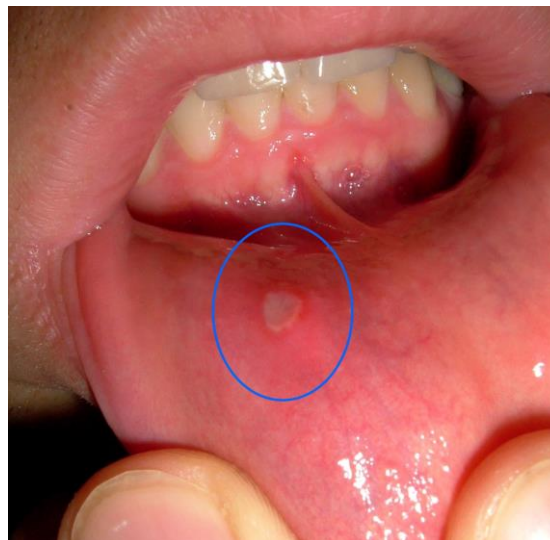
Q10. List 5 Extra GI manifestations of Inflammatory Bowel Disease ?

eyes





# skin



# Joints

sero neegative arthropathy

Sacroilitis

mono/poly arthritis

10 yrs before ..

# Kidneys

stones

amyloid

# Hepatobiliary

sclerosing cholangitis- jaundice

gallstones..

PRIZE

# Clinical Cases

Dr Dominic Bullas

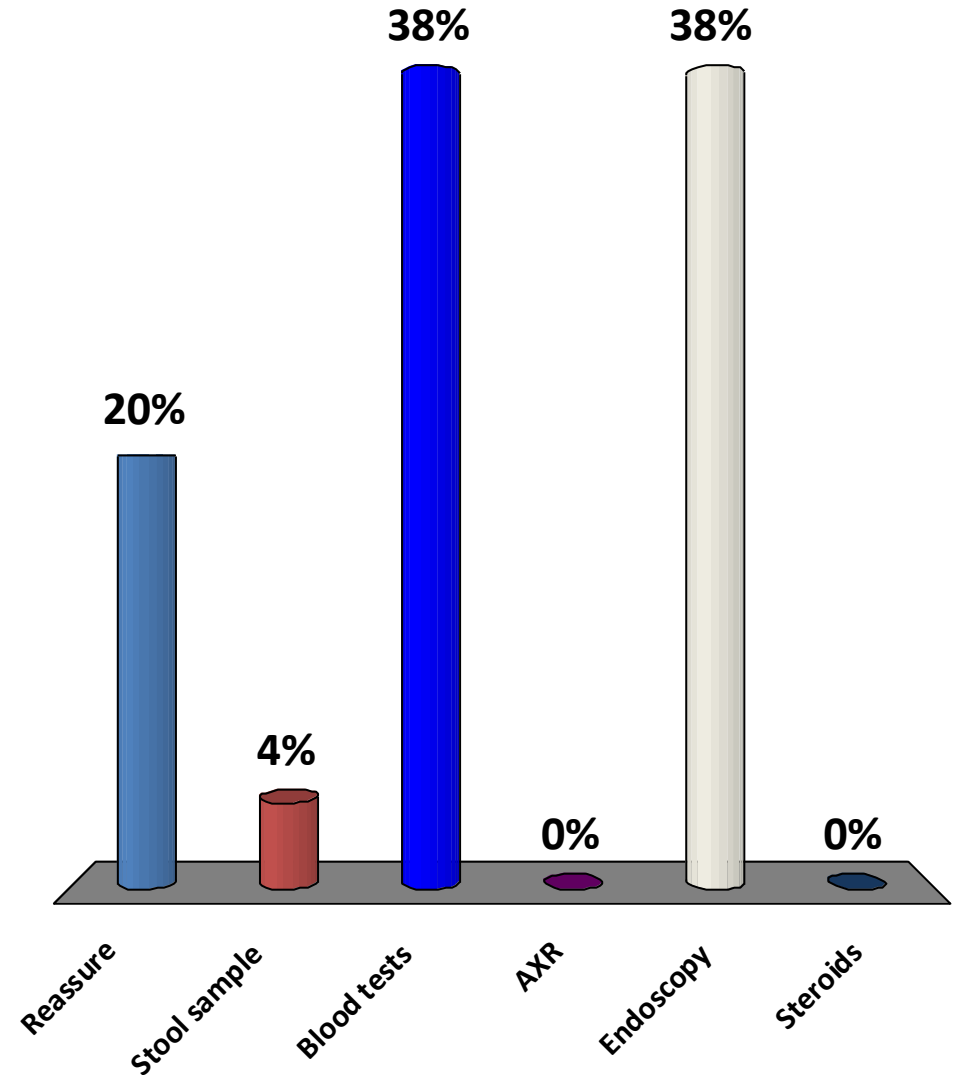
BHFT

# PC

- 25 F
- 1/12: PR bleeding  
Painful defaecation
- PMH: IBS
- Dad: “We just want to get to the bottom of it”
- Diagnosis: ? Anal fissure  
? Haemorrhoids

# What would you do next?

- A. Reassure
- B. Stool sample
- C. Blood tests
- D. AXR
- E. Endoscopy
- F. Steroids

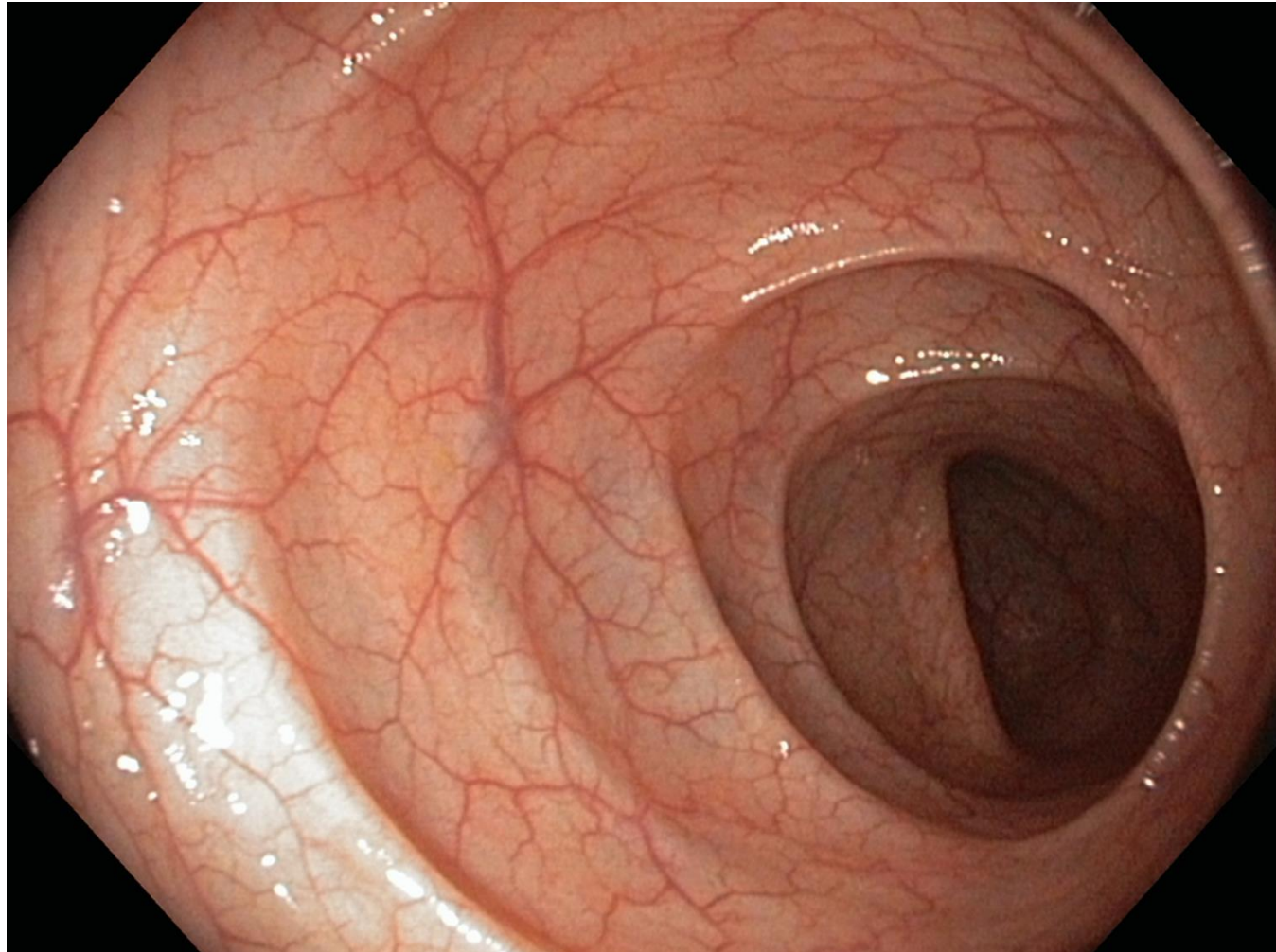


# What To Do Next?

- Reassure
- Stool samples
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- AXR
- Endoscopy ✓
- Steroids



# Normal Colon

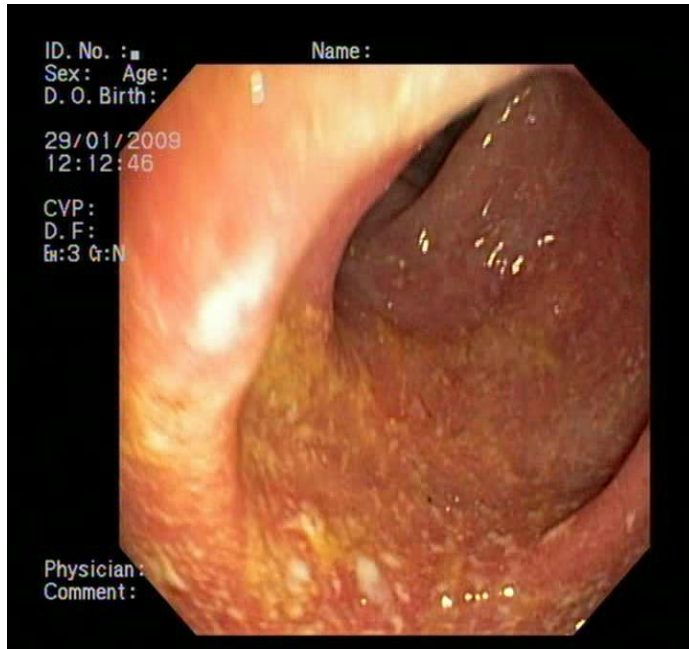


# Colonoscopy

- Barons 2 inflammation to 25cm



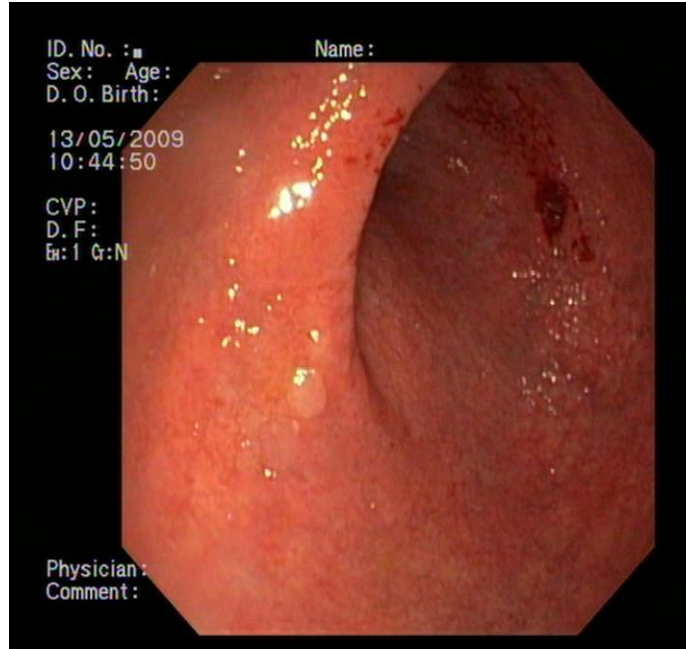
# Baron's Score



1

*Abnormal, but non-haemorrhagic*

Appearances between 0 and 2



2

*Moderately haemorrhagic*

Bleeding to light touch, but no spontaneous bleeding seen ahead of the instrument on initial inspection



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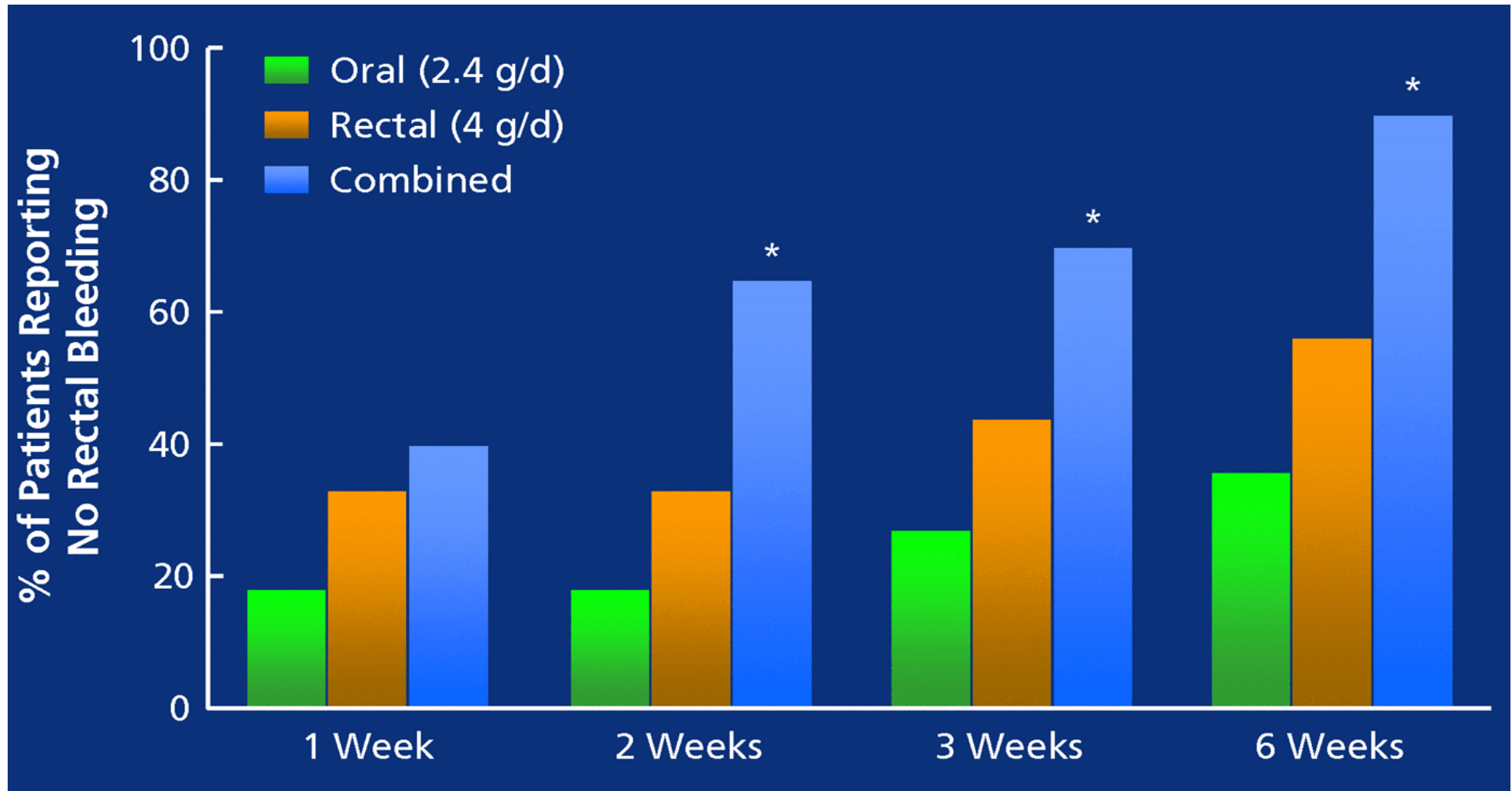
*Severely haemorrhagic*

Spontaneous bleeding seen ahead of instrument at initial inspection and bleeds to light touch

# Rx

- Oral Asacol
- Asacol foam enemas

# Why dual 5ASA therapy?



A double-blind comparison of oral versus rectal mesalamine versus combination therapy in the treatment of distal ulcerative colitis.

Safdi et al., [Am J Gastroenterol.](#) 1997 Oct;92(10):1867-71.

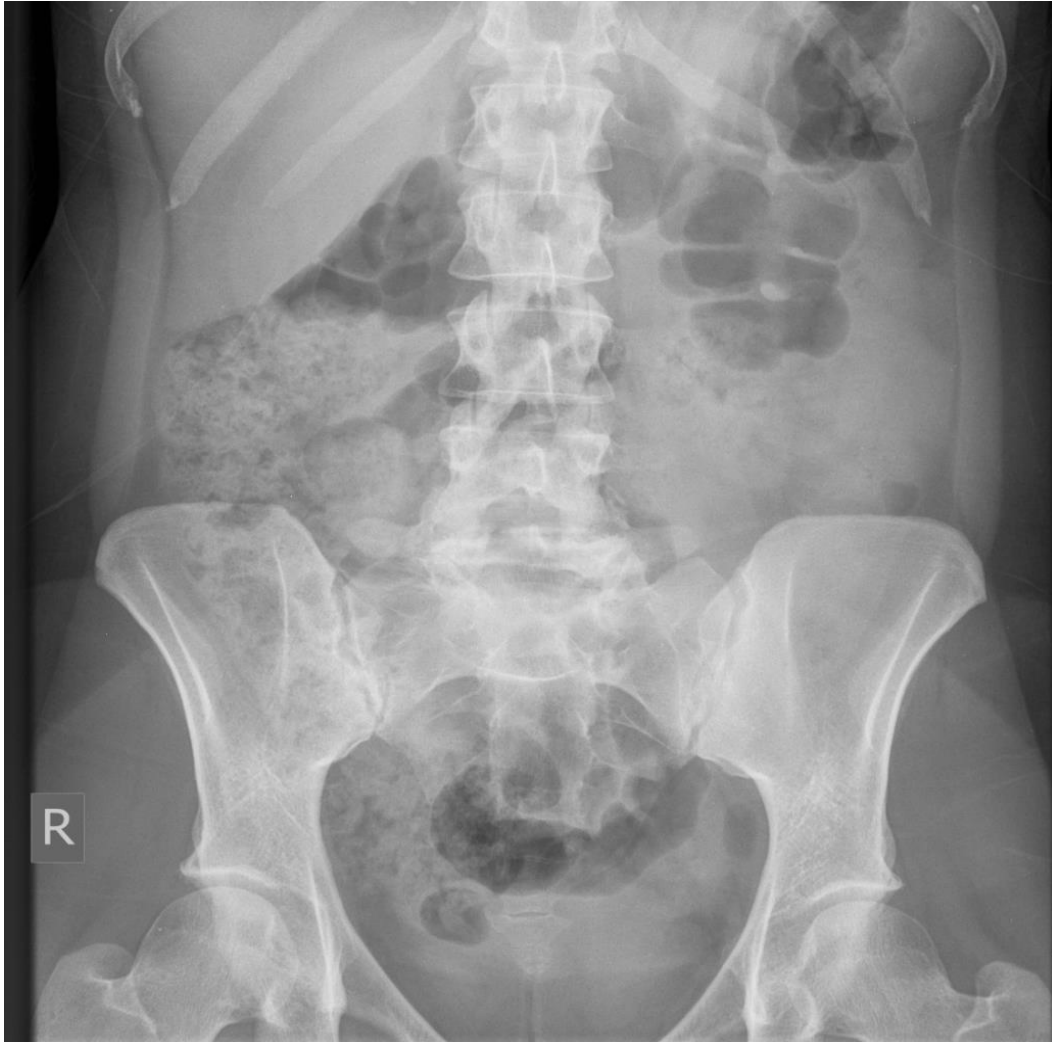
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- Oral Asacol
- Asacol foam enemas
- Gastro OPA
- IBD Nurse Helpline
  
- Histology favouring UC
- Settled with Rx

# 01/2015

- BO x 5 to x 10, Bristol 3 to 7
- Constipation
- Abdominal pain, PR bleeding, PR mucus
- Nocturnal symptoms

# AXR What Treatment?

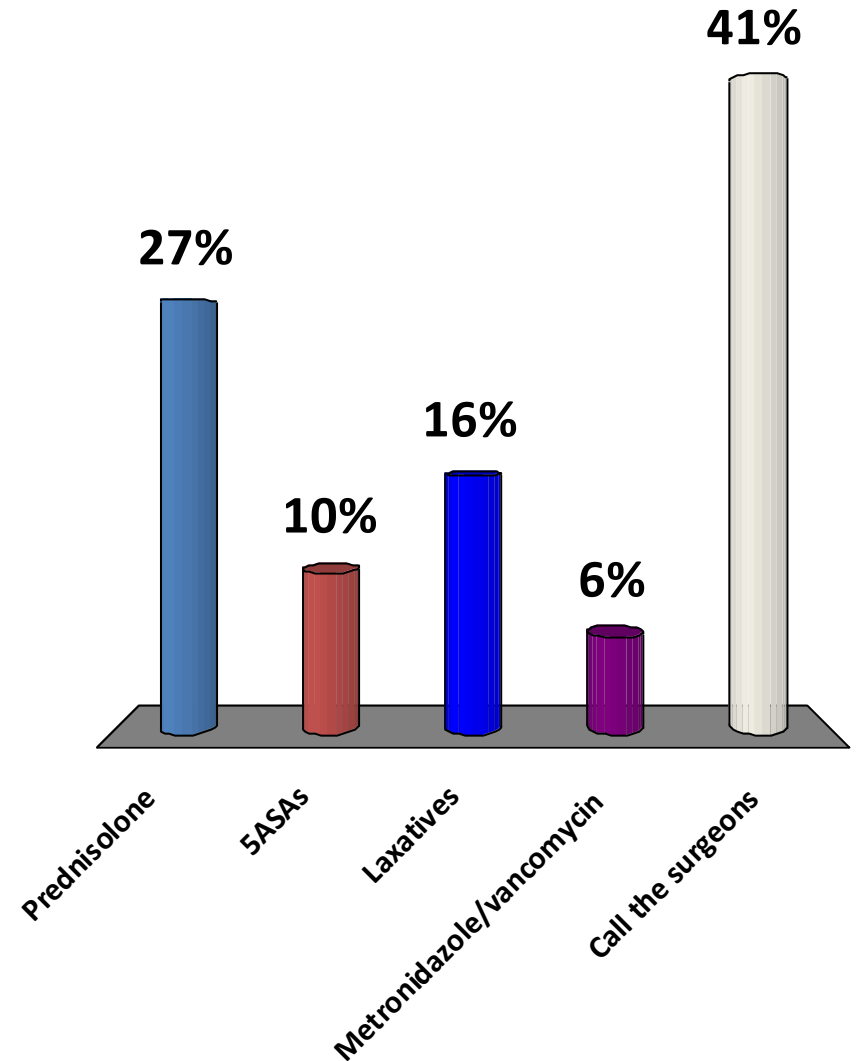


- Prednisolone
- 5ASAs
- Laxatives
- Metronidazole/Vancomycin
- Call the surgeons?

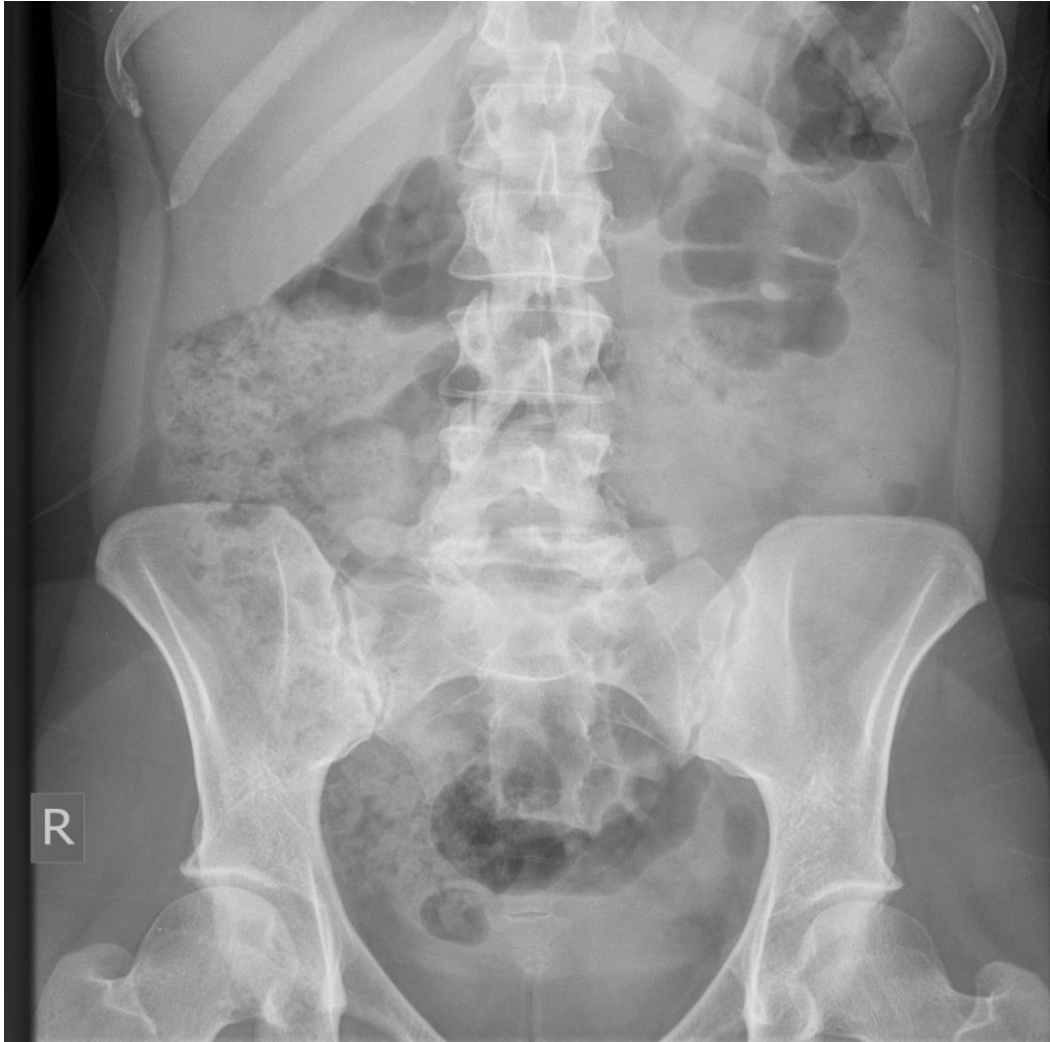


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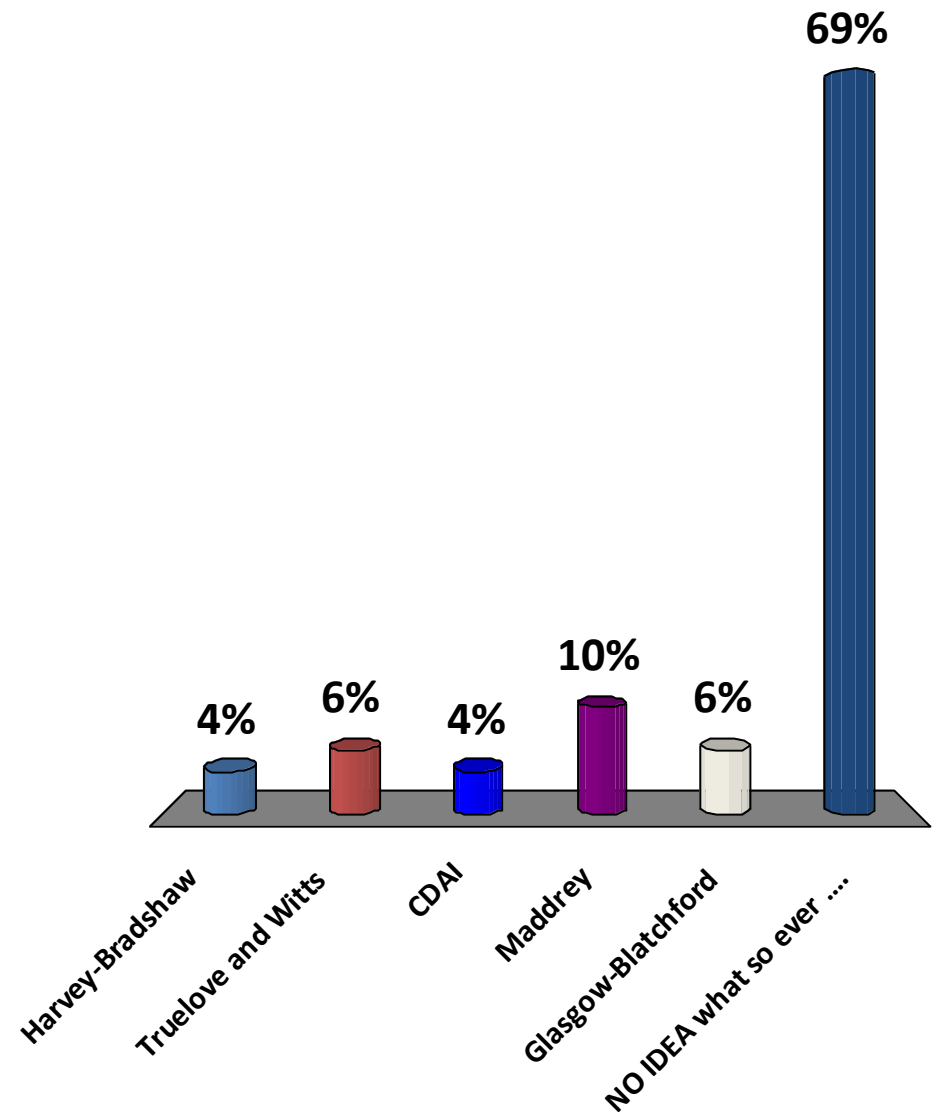
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- Maintenance Asacol
- 5ASA suppositories... Prednisolone suppositories
- Fybogel

04/2015

- BO x8, PR bleeding,  
Urgency
- Hb 152, ESR 5, T 37°C, HR  
90

# Which Clinical Scoring System ?

- A. Harvey-Bradshaw
- B. Truelove and Witts
- C. CDAI
- D. Maddrey
- E. Glasgow-Blatchford
- F. NO IDEA what so ever ....



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# Truelove & Witts Severity Index

	Mild	Moderate	Severe
N <sup>o</sup> stools per day	< 4	4-6	> 6
Blood in the stools	No more than small amounts of blood	Between mild and severe	Visible blood
Temperature	Afebrile	Intermediate	> 37.8
Heart Rate	Normal	Intermediate	> 90
Haemoglobin (g/dl)	> 11	10.5-11.0	< 10.5
ESR	< 20	20-30	> 30

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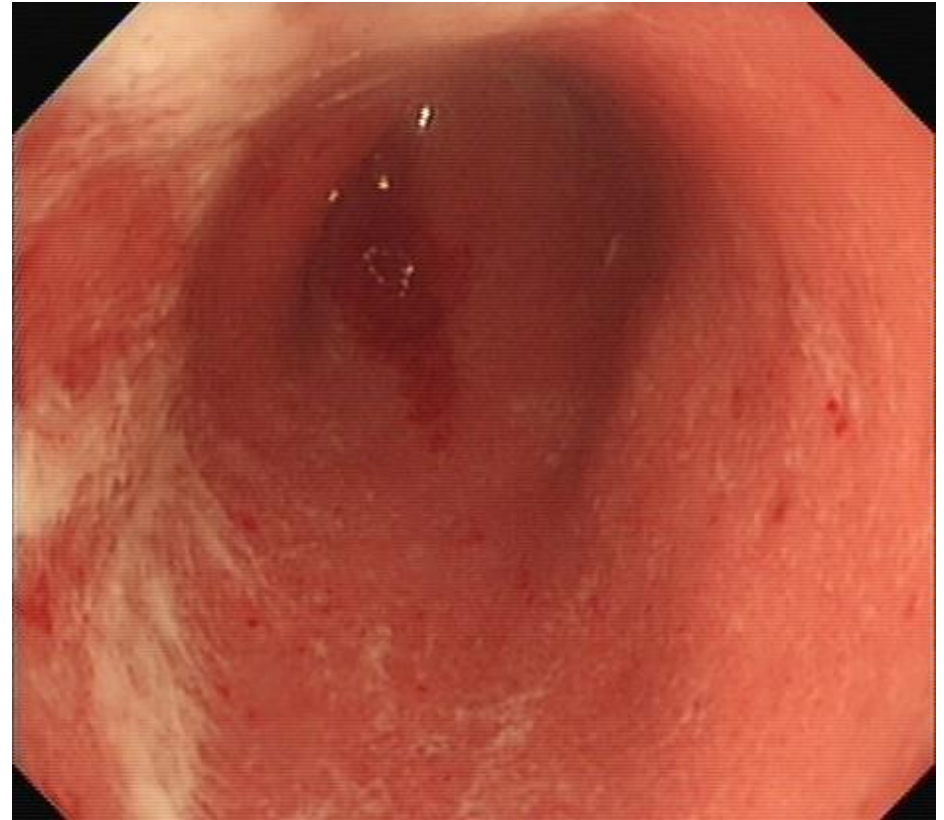
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# 04/2015

- BO x8, PR bleeding, Urgency
- Hb 152, ESR 5, T 37°C, HR 90
- FS: Diffuse areas of inflammation in the rectum, normal sigmoid
- Rx: Prednisolone
- Admitted to BHFT
- Rx: Hydrocortisone



# 05/2015

- BO x2, Bristol 4, no PR bleeding  
Asacol 2.4g
- Viral screen, TPMT

(Pred. 25mg,

# 06/2015

- BO x3, Bristol 4 to 5, slight PR bleeding, urgency  
(Pred. 10mg, ↑Asacol 4.8g)

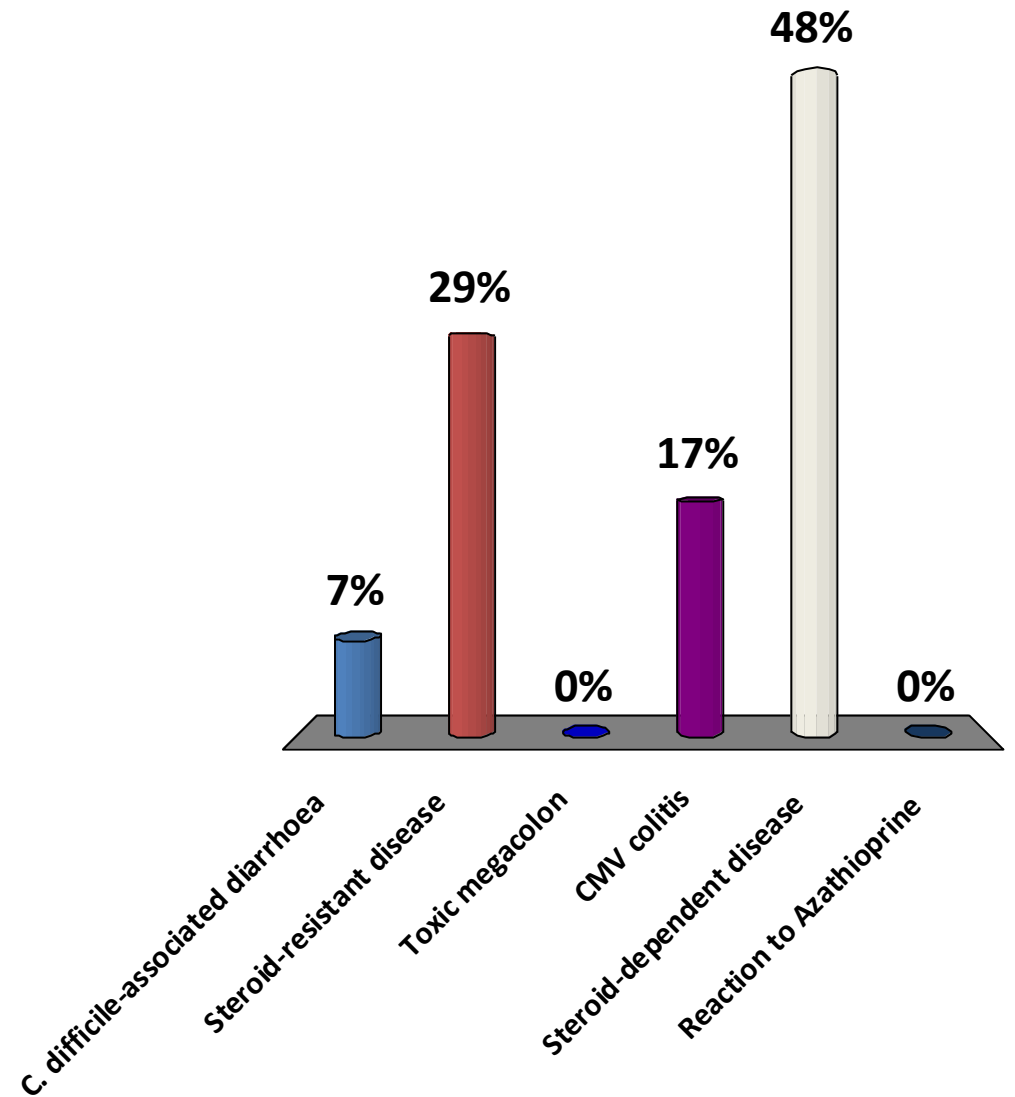
# 07/2015

- BO x3 to x4, Bristol 4 to 7, PR bleeding  
4.8g)
- Prednisolone + Azathioprine



# Why is she more symptomatic?

- A. *C. difficile*-associated diarrhoea
- B. Steroid-resistant disease
- C. Toxic megacolon
- D. CMV colitis
- E. Steroid-dependent disease
- F. Reaction to Azathioprine

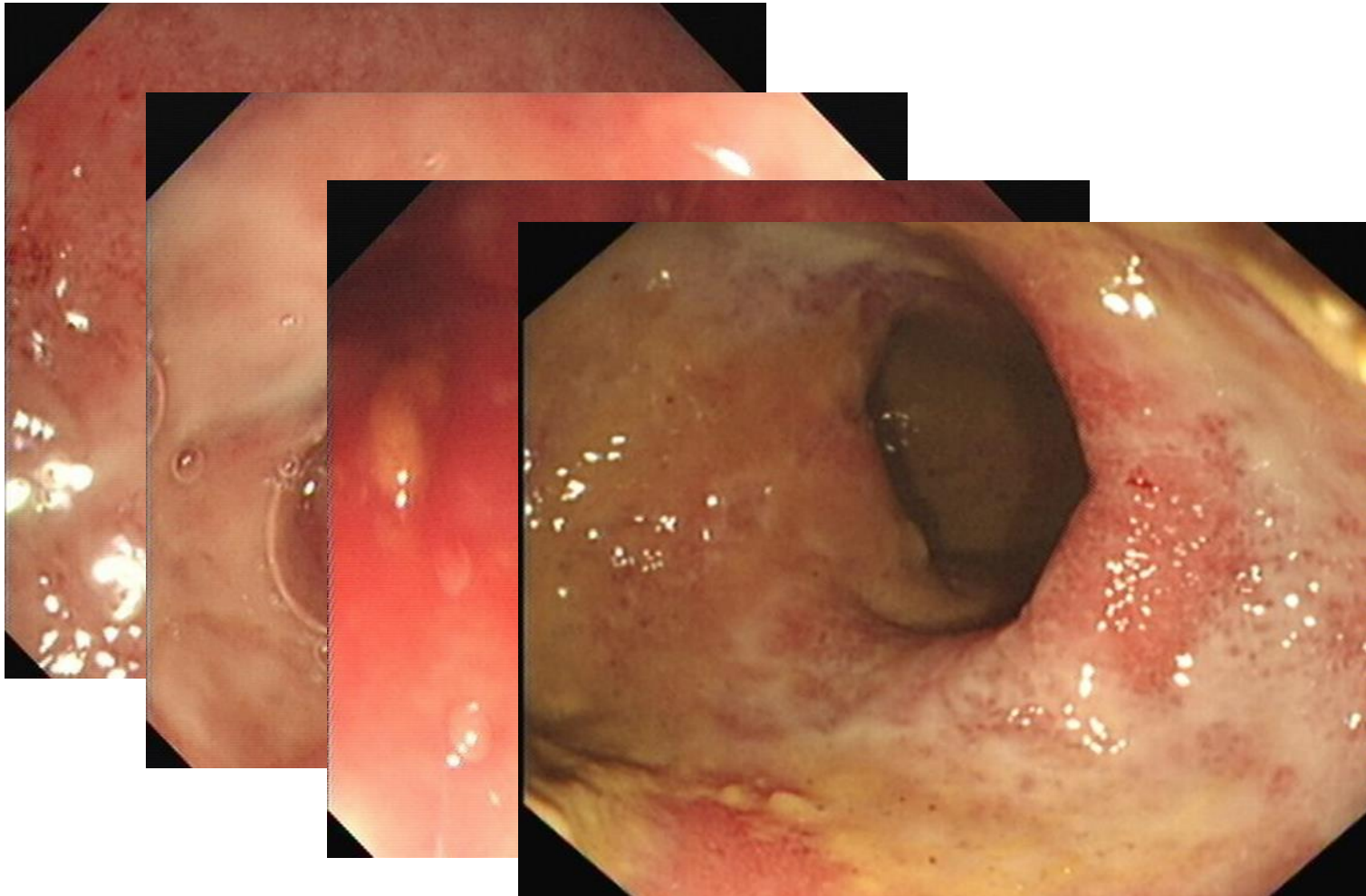


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# 07/2015

- IP admission, FS x2
- Iv Hydrocortisone
- Infliximab 5mg/kg



# 08/2015

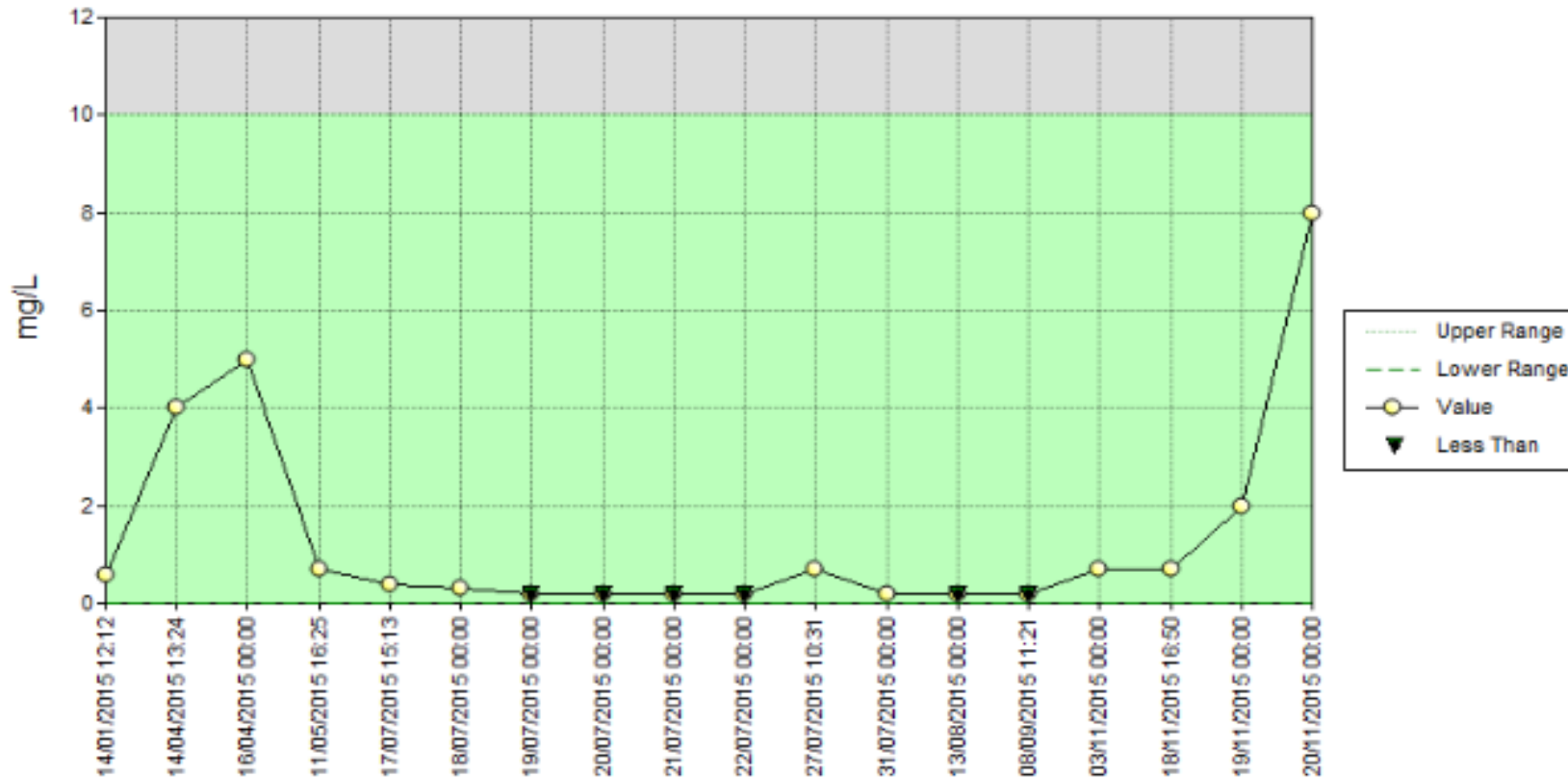
- BO x1, Bristol 4
- no PR bleeding

# 11/2015

- Abdominal pain
- Bloating
- Diarrhoea



# CRP



15% of patients fail to mount a CRP response

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# Faecal calprotectin diagnostic tests for inflammatory diseases of the bowel

Diagnostics guidance

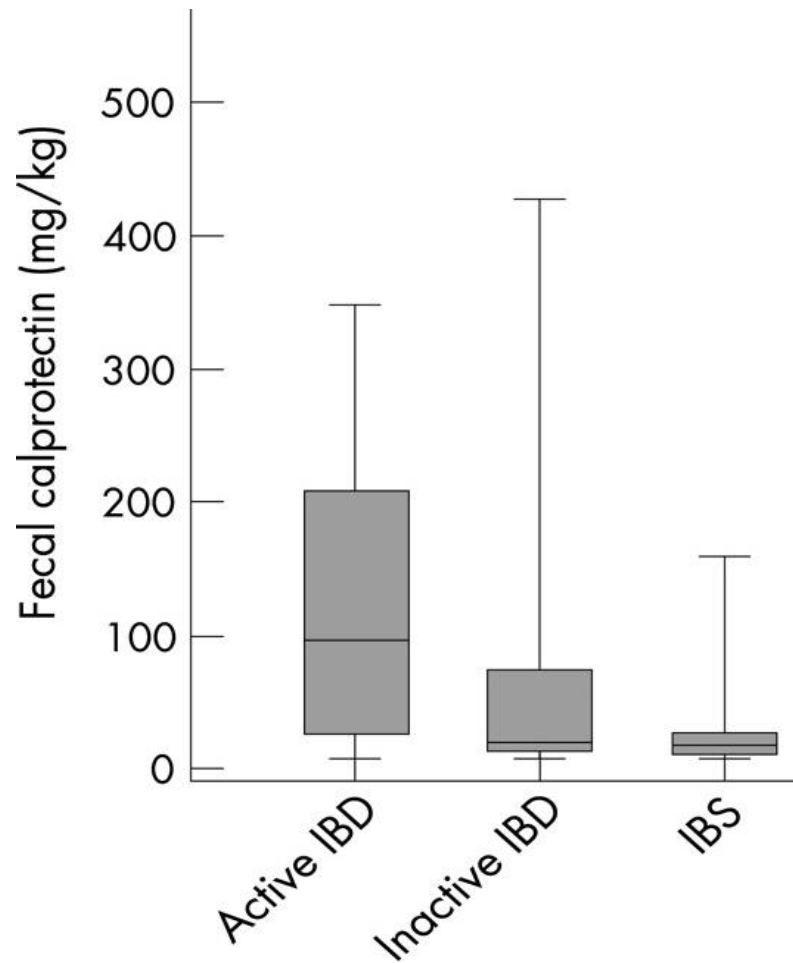
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# Faecal Calprotectin

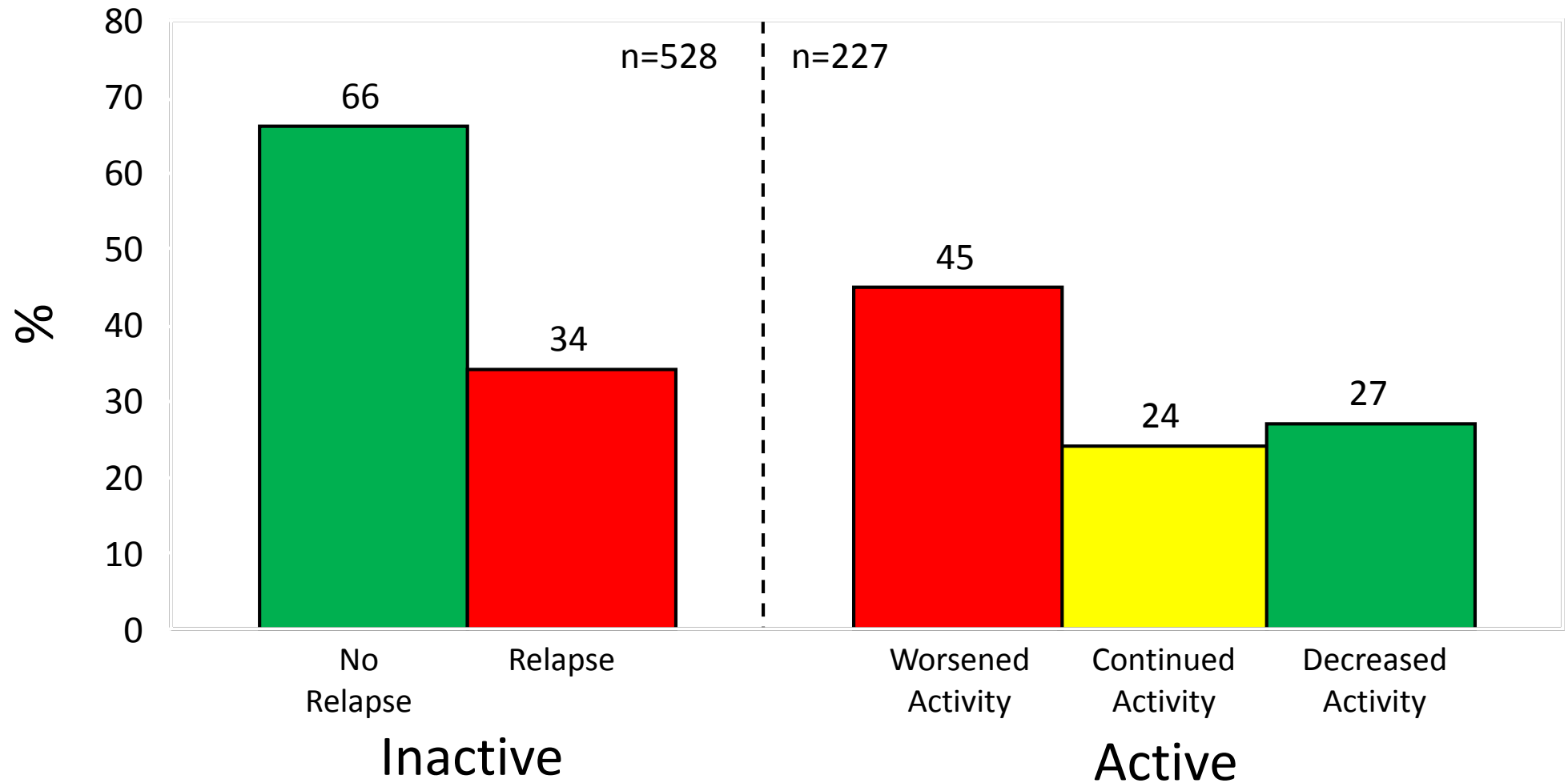




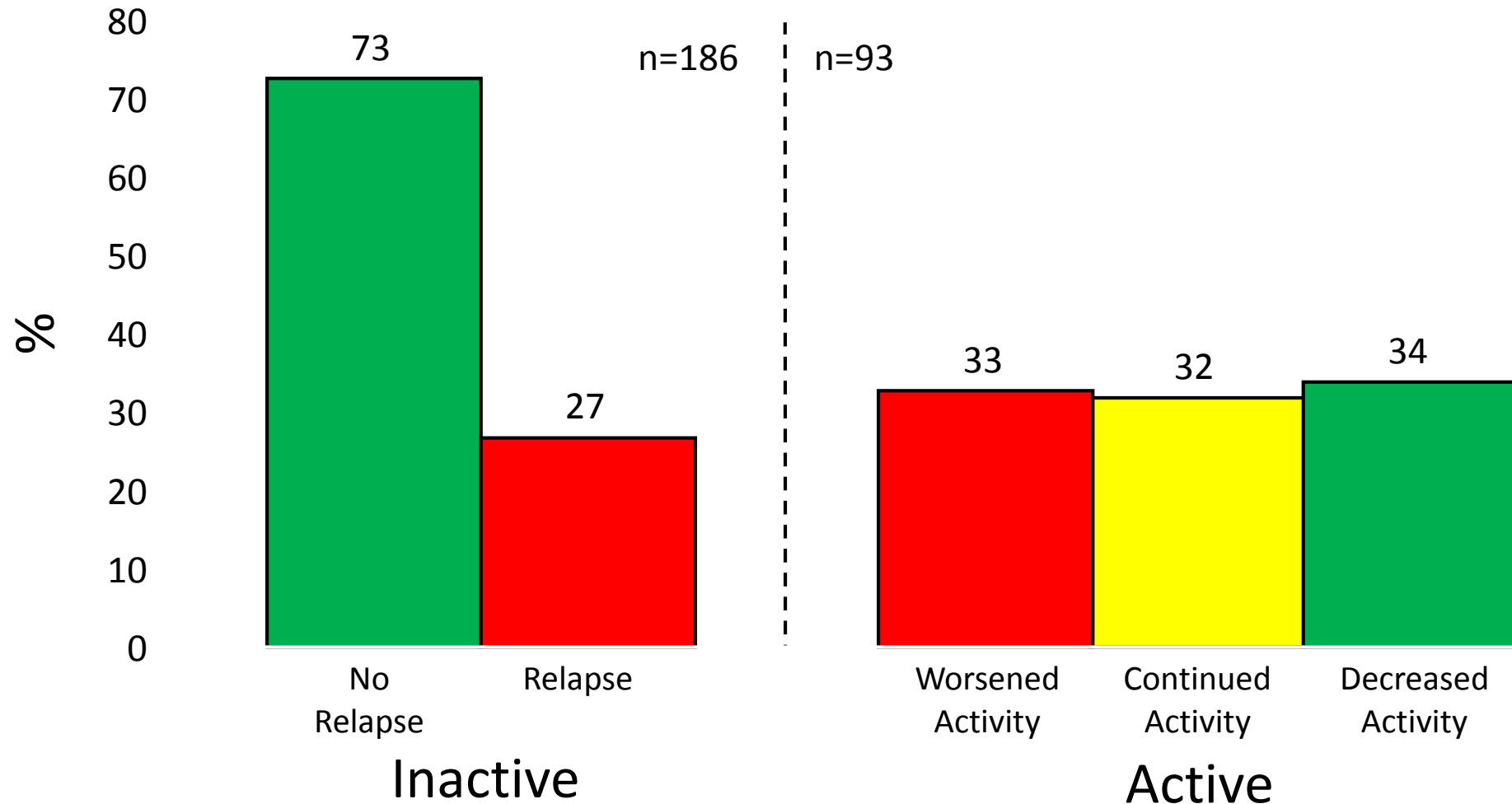
I want a baby.

Is my colitis going to get worse?

# Effect of Pregnancy on Ulcerative Colitis: Disease Activity at Conception



# Effect of Pregnancy on Crohns Disease: Disease Activity at Conception



# Assessment of Pregnant IBD Patients

- Laboratory studies (ESR, Hb, Albumin, CRP)
- Ultrasound
- X-rays (low dose Xrays pose minimal foetal risk<sup>1</sup>)
- Endoscopy – low risk if used for appropriate indications<sup>2</sup>
- Flexible sigmoidoscopy – low risk<sup>2</sup>
- Colonoscopy – should only be used for life-threatening colonic disease or when only alternative is laparotomy<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Hufton AP. Br J Radiol. 1979;52:735-740.

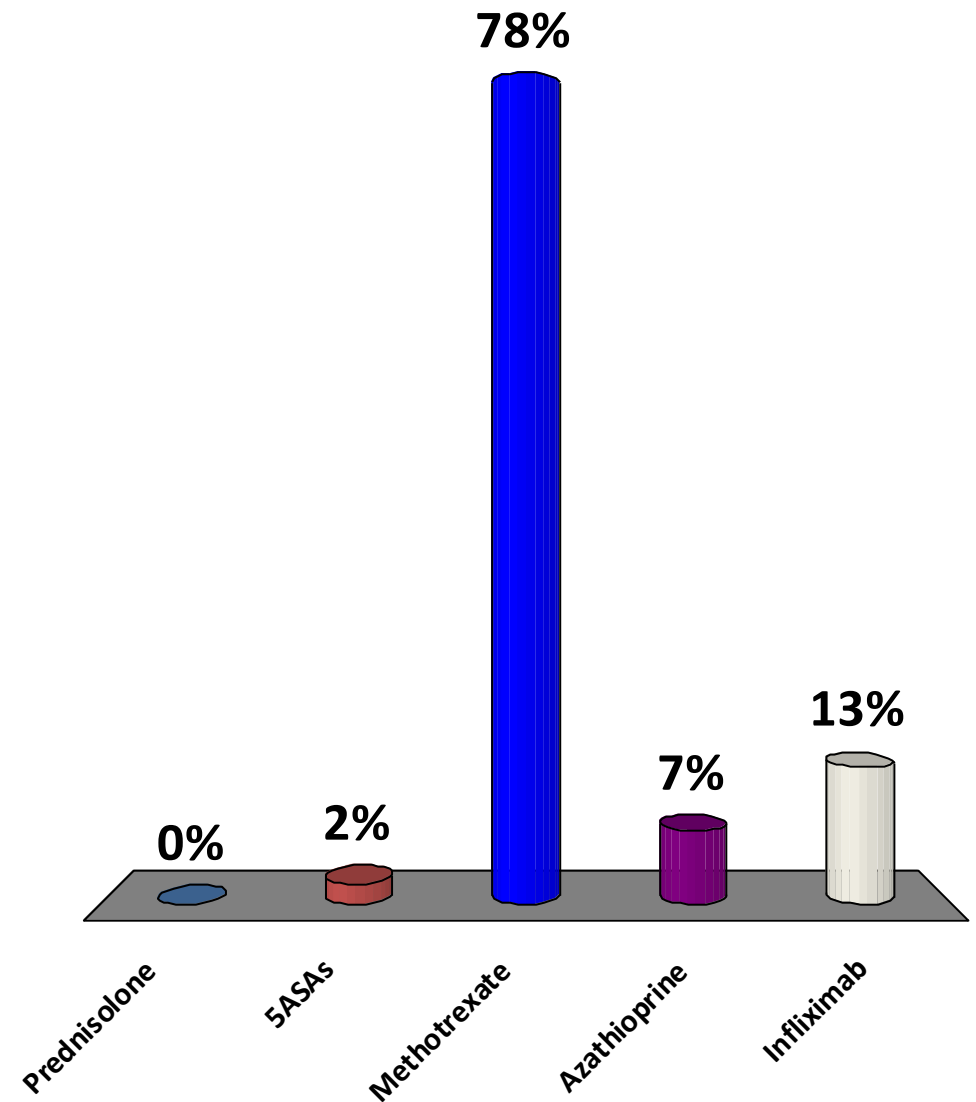
<sup>2</sup>Cappell MS, et al. Dig Dis Sci. 1996;41:2353-2361.



Is the IBD medication going to hurt my unborn baby?

# Which drug is contraindicated in pregnancy?

- A. Prednisolone
- B. 5ASAs
- C. Methotrexate
- D. Azathioprine
- E. Infliximab



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# Safety of IBD Medications in Pregnancy

Category B	Category C	Category D	Category X
Loperamide	Ciprofloxacin	Azathioprine <sup>†</sup>	Methotrexate
Mesalamine	Cyclosporine	6-Mercaptopurine <sup>†</sup>	Thalidomide
Balsalazide	Diphenoxylate		
Corticosteroids	Olsalazine		
Sulfasalazine	Tacrolimus		
Anti-TNF agents	Natalizumab		
Metronidazole*			



Briggs GG, et al. *Drugs in Pregnancy and Lactation*. 5th ed. Philadelphia, Pa: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins; 1998. *Physician's Desk Reference*<sup>®</sup>. 57th ed. Montvale, NJ: Thompson PDR; 2003.

# Case 2

# PC

- 20F
- Crohns Disease, aged 14
- Azathioprine and Infliximab for 6 years
- Opportunistic infections
- Now symptomatic despite Infliximab
- Referred by RHH for a second opinion



*"I'd say it's your gallbladder, but if you insist on a second opinion, I'll say kidneys."*

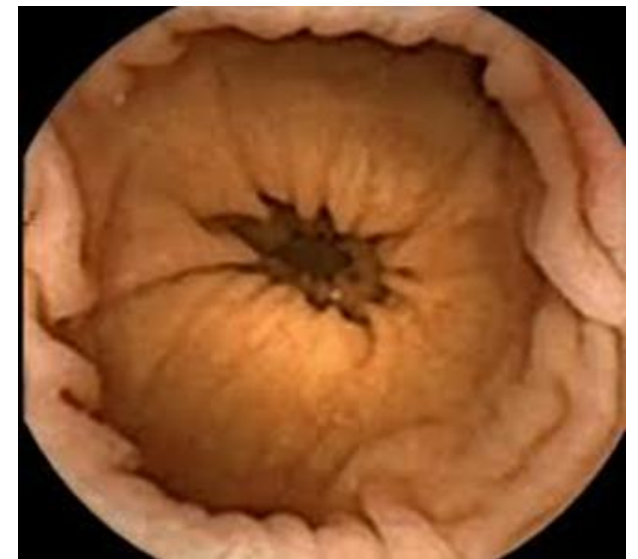
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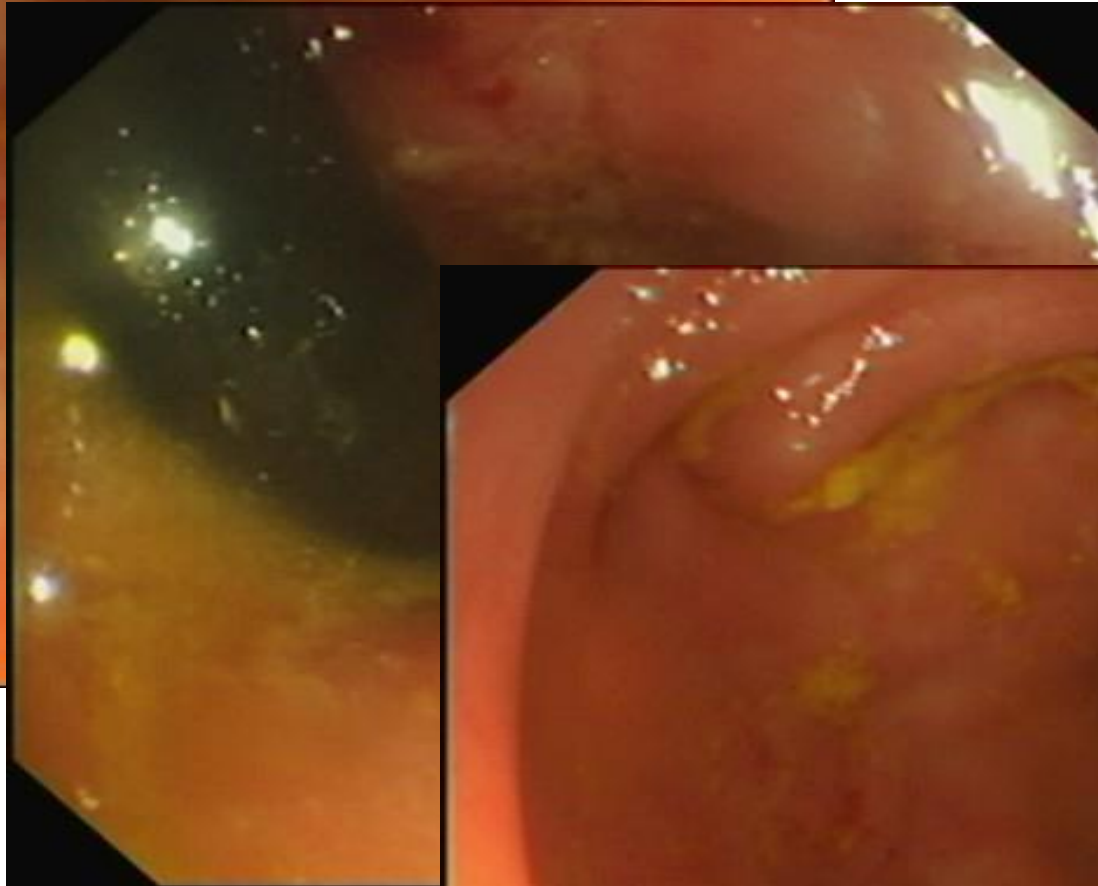
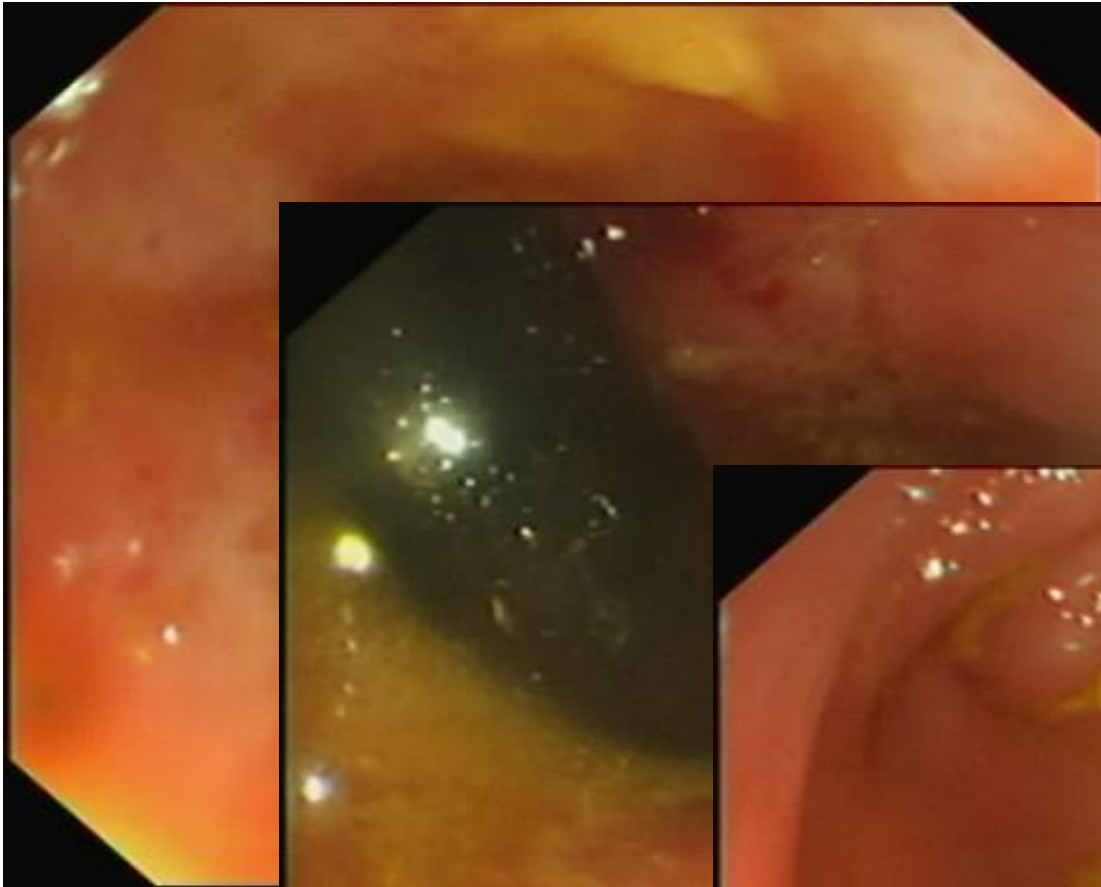
- “In agony”
- “Will not consider alternative treatments”
- Refusing reassessment
- Non-attendance at clinic
- “She just wanted Infliximab. She wondered why I could not believe her”

# PC July 2014

- BO x 8, Bristol 7
- No blood, nil nocturnal
- Abdominal discomfort
- 48.5kg
- Off Infliximab
- (Azathioprine 100mg)
- Refusing colonoscopy
- Refusing dietetic support
- ESR 15, CRP 3
- Hb 135, Plt 554
- Faecal Calprotectin 269
- Normal capsule

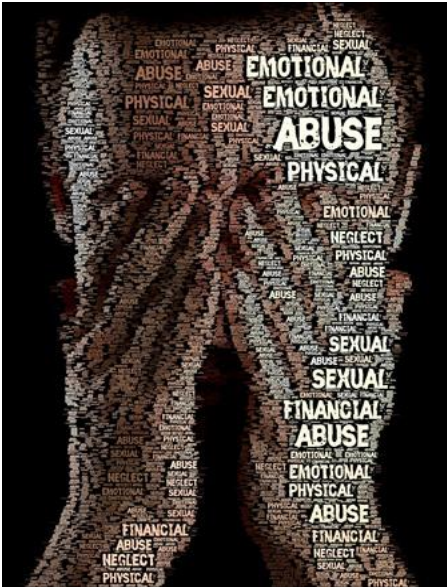


# Colonoscopy March 2015



# PC August 2015

- BO “hourly” despite restarting Infliximab 4/12 ago
- “A little depressed”
- Weight 35.6 kg
  
- Refusing Azathioprine
- Refusing admission
- Refusing endoscopy
  
- Dietician Review
  - “very upset that she was asked to see her”
  - “evasive about food intake”
  - “food goes straight through her, so why bother?”





# PC September 2015

- 39kg
- “Appears much brighter”
- “Working hard to increase weight”
- “Symptoms much improved”



# Summary

- Make use of non-invasive tests
- Ignore negative inflammatory profiles if there is a high clinical index of suspicion
- Don't be afraid to add topical therapy if distal disease
- Look out for ↑ symptoms with ↓ Prednisolone
- Be attuned to psychological distress in patients not responding to therapy

# Iron Deficiency Anaemia

Stacey Ward

Capsule Endoscopy CNS

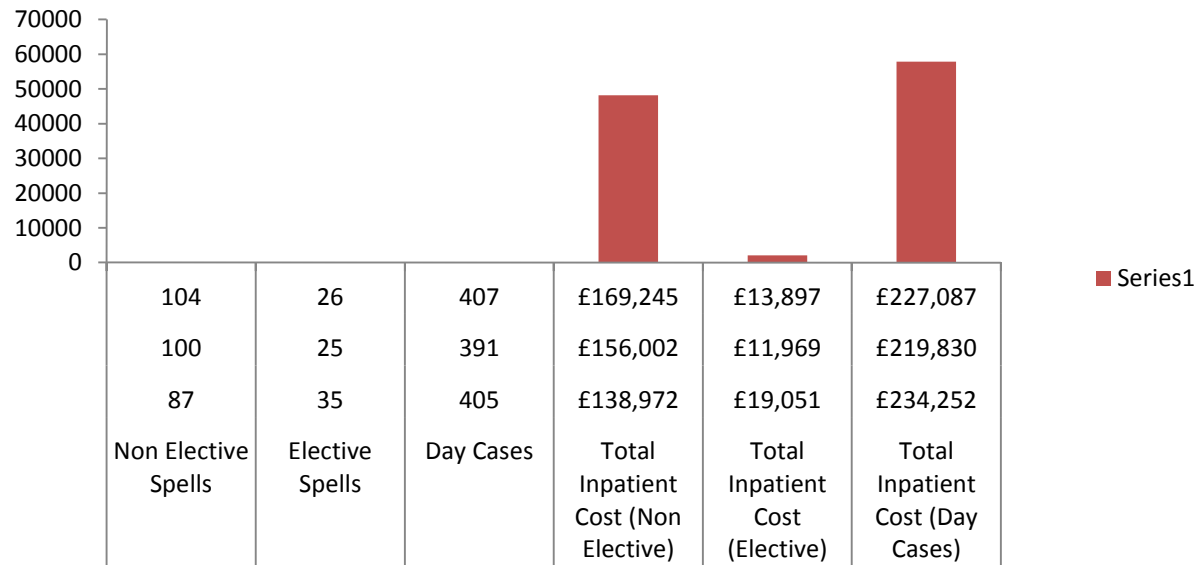
# Disease Background

Iron Deficiency Anaemia (IDA) has a prevalence in 2-5% among adult men and post menopausal women in the developed world and is a common cause of referral to gastroenterologists (4-13% of referrals)

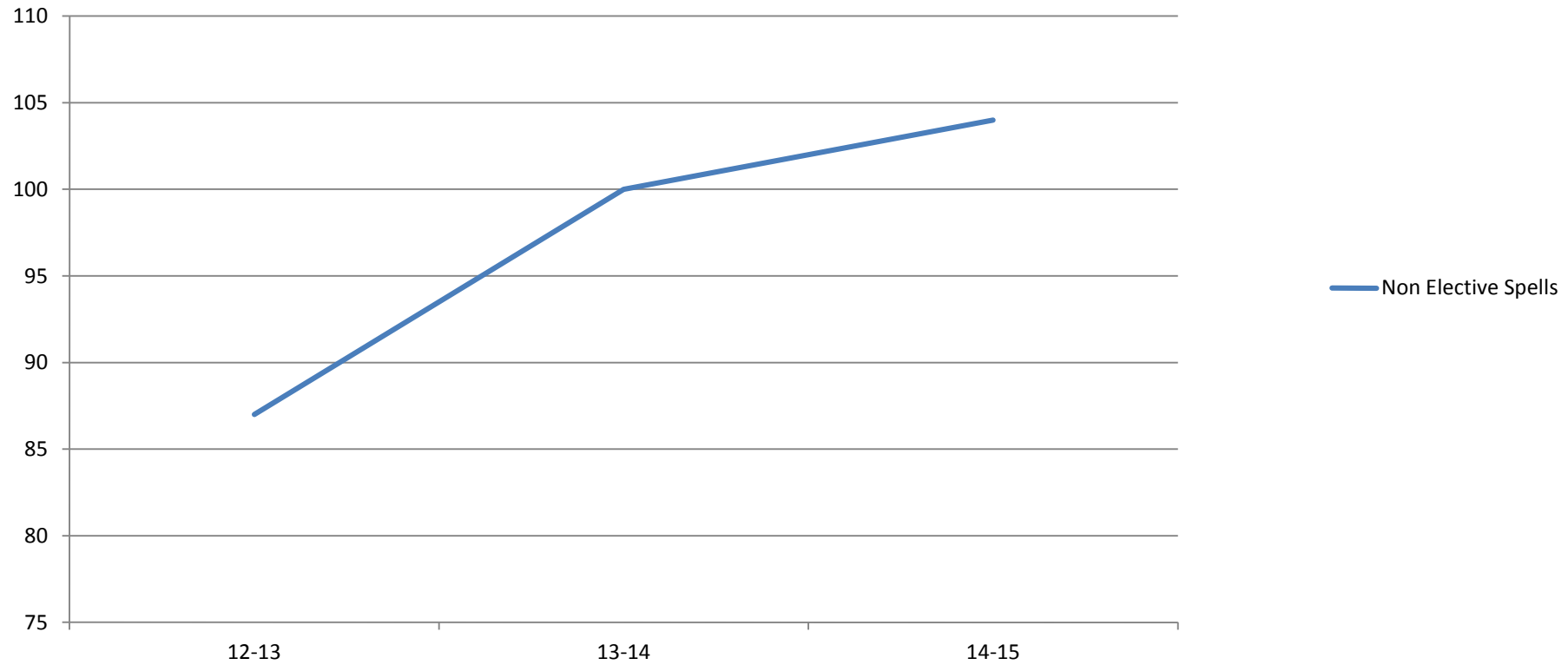
# Identifying Iron Deficiency Anaemia

- Low Haemoglobin
- Low Ferritin
- Microcytosis
- Hypochromia

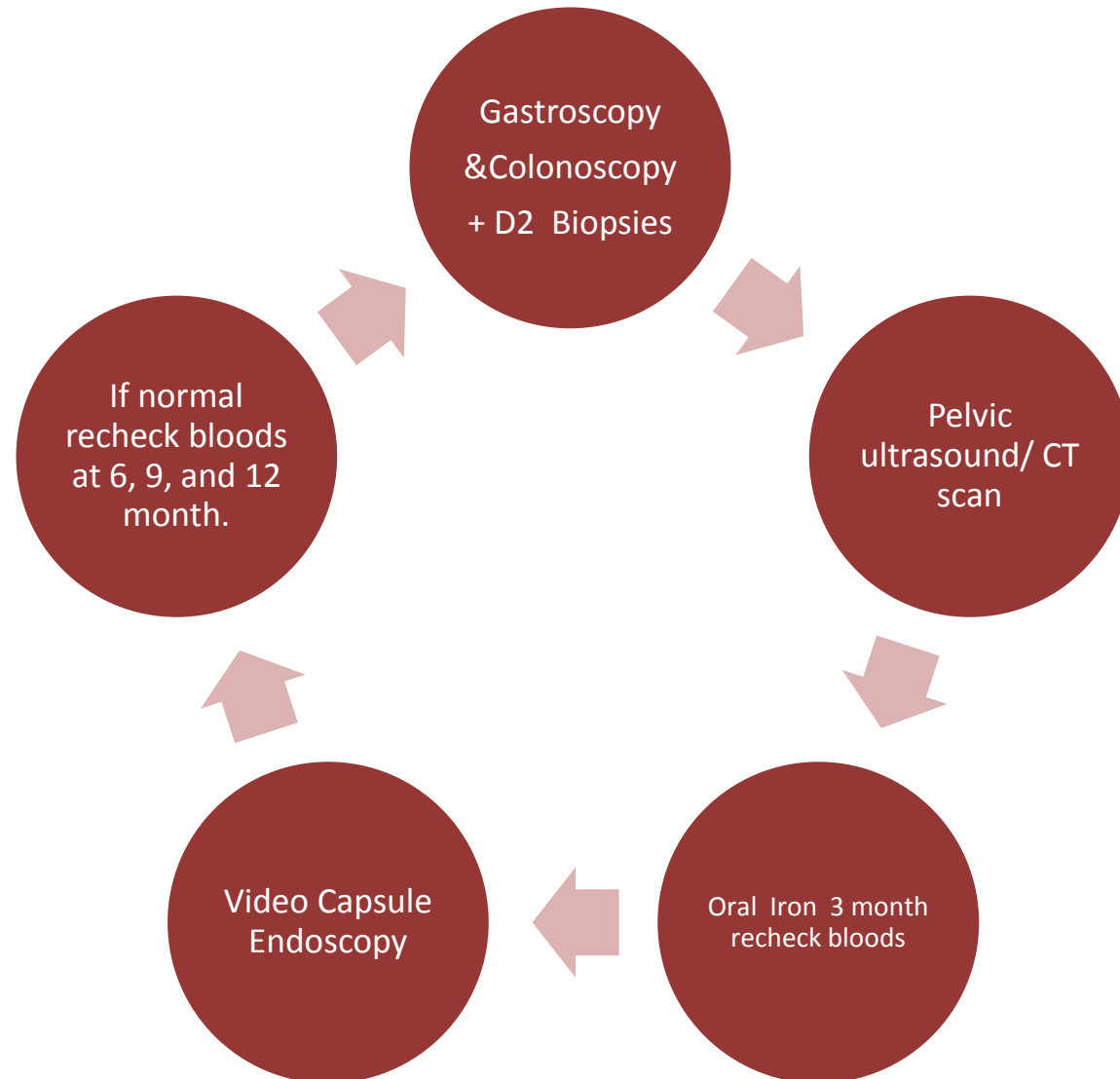
# Cost to BDGH and the CCG



# Non Elective Spells At BDGH



# Pathway For Iron Deficiency Anaemia Patients





# Benefits of a IDA Service

- A saving to the local Trust and the CCG.
- Partnership working with the CCG to proactively treat patients and prevent hospital admissions.
- A dedicated specialist nurse. For new and follow up patients.
- Centralised referrals with co-ordinated management pathway

# Small Bowel Capsule Endoscopy

Stacey Ward

Capsule Endoscopy CNS

# What is Capsule Endoscopy?

Definition:-

- Capsule endoscopy(CE) is a procedure that uses a tiny wireless camera to take pictures of the digestive tract

# The Equipment



# The Capsule



# Real Time



# Why do small bowel capsule endoscopy?

- Find the cause of obscure gastrointestinal bleeding. After normal gastroscopy/colonoscopy.
- Diagnose /assess inflammatory bowel disease
- Unexplained Iron Deficiency Anaemia.
- Coeliac disease.
- Screen for polyps.

# Benefits to the patient

- The Capsule is easy to swallow.
- The procedure is non-invasive
- It is painless
- There is no potential harm from radiation
- Additional investigations can often be avoided.
- Gold standard for visualising the small bowel



# Potential Risks

- Capsule endoscopy is a safe procedure that carries a few risks.
- Retention:-
- Routine Patient <1%
- Suspected IBD 1-4%
- Known Crohn's 10%

# Risks contd.

- Other factors – caution with NSAID's and previous bowel surgery
- Prevention:-
- Patency Capsule – We provide this service at BDGH.

# What is a patency capsule?

- Same shape and dimensions as the real video capsule.
- Dissolvable after 30 hours.
- Detected by radiography
- If still detected further investigation such as CT or MRI is required.

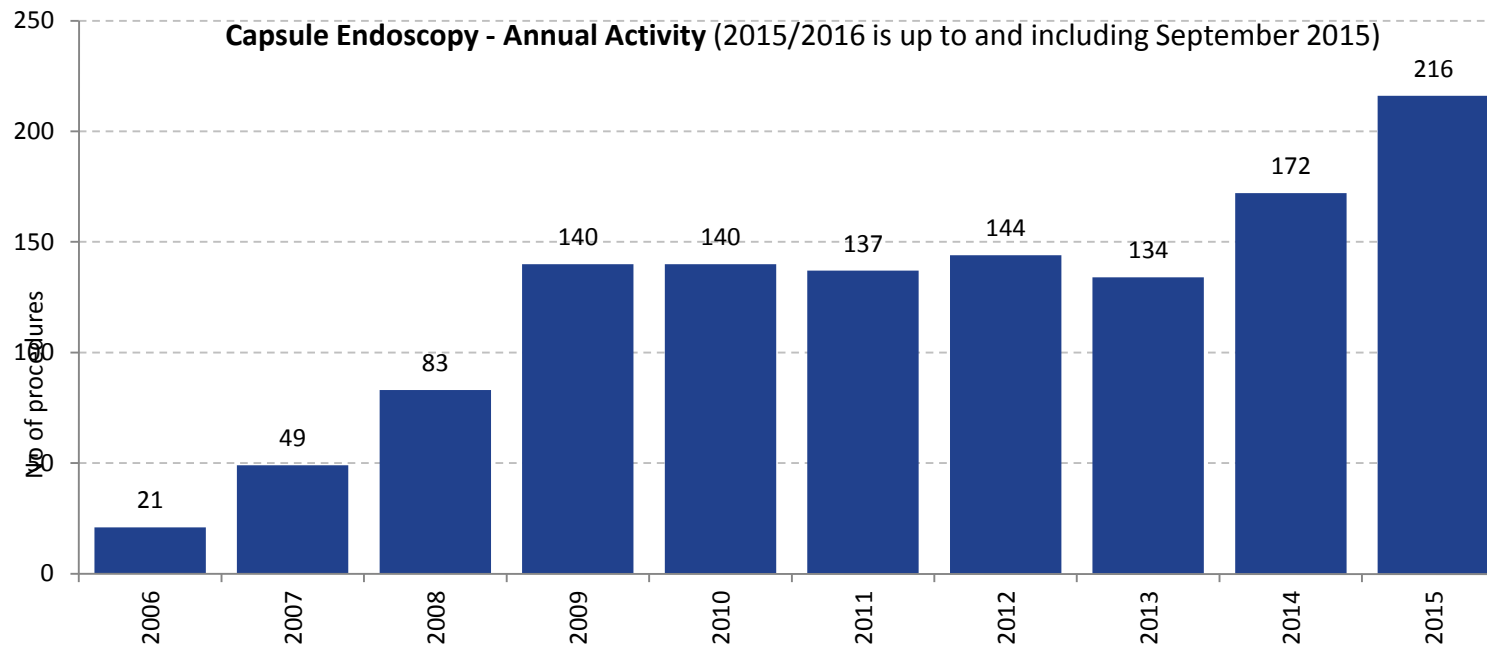
# Why choose Barnsley?

- Dedicated Capsule team with over 10 years experience in capsule endoscopy.
- Short waiting times
- Short reporting times

# The journey so far

- Capsule endoscopy service started 2005
- Service reviewed in 2014
- Improved patient satisfaction survey
- Quality of reports improved
- CNS appointed 2015
- Shortened turnaround time of capsule reports since CNS appointed
- Increased capacity

# No. of procedures performed



# How to access the service?

- Clinics (Iron Deficiency Anaemia Clinic)
- Endoscopy Coordinator
- Dr Kapur Or Stacey Ward Capsule Endoscopy Team.

# The future.....

- To develop and expand the existing service.
- To introduce the colon capsule. This should be offered to patients that refuse colonoscopy, and patients that have inflammatory bowel disease for surveillance.



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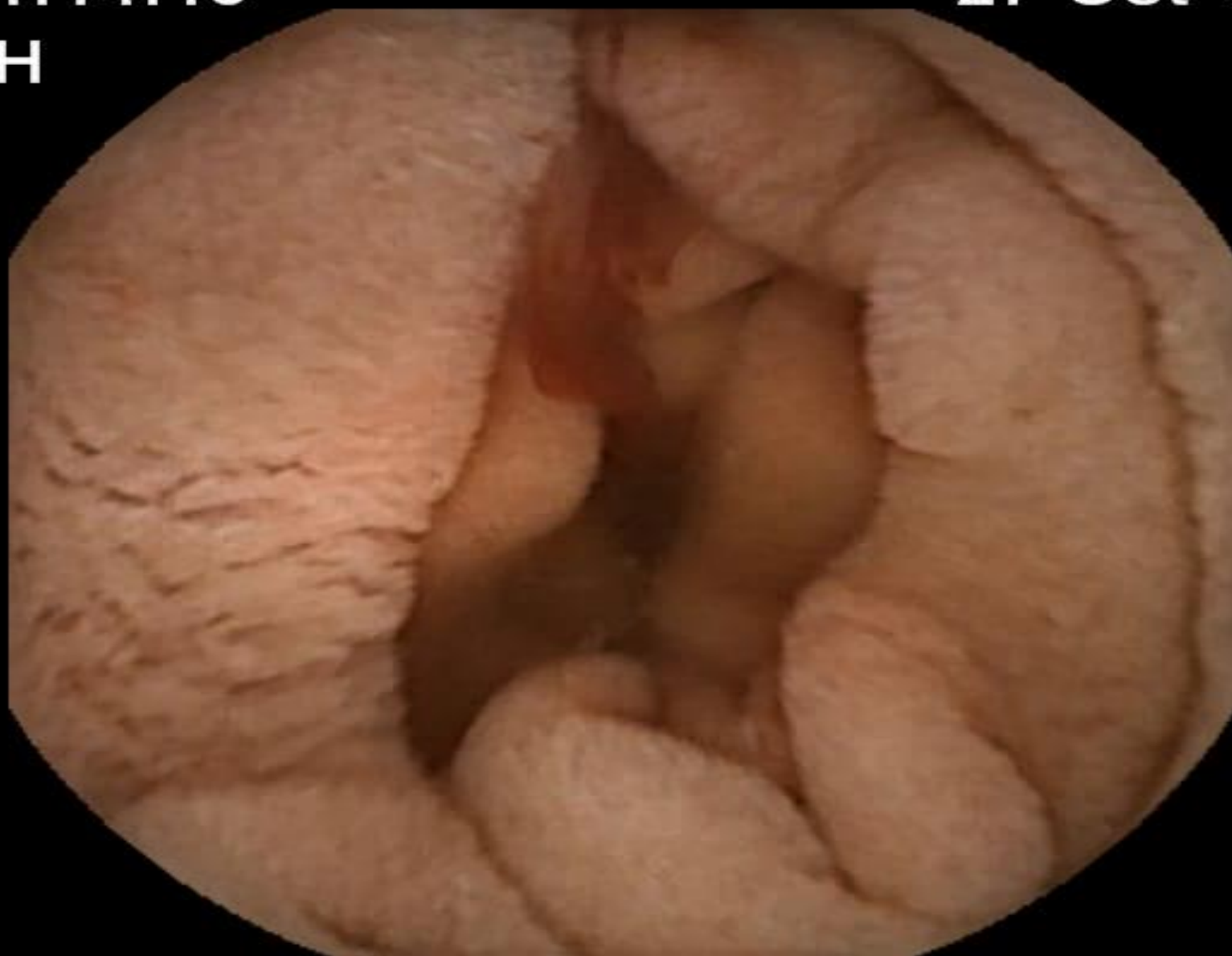


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# The Role of the Lower GI Specialist Nurse

Debbie West



# Roles and Responsibilities

## GP perspective

- Approx 1000-1200 patients under our care
- Vet ALL lower GI open access referral from GPs
- Nurse led clinics
- Clinical Audits
- Patient education and support
- Telephone Helpline

# Contact Details

- Advice line- 01226 436371
- URGENT : 01226 730000
- bleep 591

# Future developments primary care related

- Virtual clinics
- Clinics in the Community
- GP Education
- Expand the telephone helpline service
- Patient forums- monthly



# Open Access lower GI Referrals

- Patient on Warfarin therapy



# Open Access referrals for lower GI Endoscopy

- Female referred for colonoscopy
- No bowel symptoms/ no anaemia
- Symptoms of PV bleeding
- Needed colposcopy referral not colonoscopy

# Open Access Lower GI Referrals

- Patient referred for colonoscopy for change in bowel habit looser stools for only 3 days
- Referred for colonoscopy rectal bleeding on wiping non in stool
- Patient referred for flexible sigmoidoscopy indications rectal bleeding and change in bowel habits for 6 weeks or more

# Lower GI open Access Referrals

- Suitability for colonoscopy i.e. severe comorbidities such as patient on oxygen therapy, severe COPD.
- Discuss with patient re suitability given risks of perforation/ finding a Colon CA
- Refer to Gastroenterology clinic for further assessment discussion and possible inpatient prep if patient wishes to proceed

# The Management of Left sided colitis

- By Debbie West lower GI Nurse Specialist

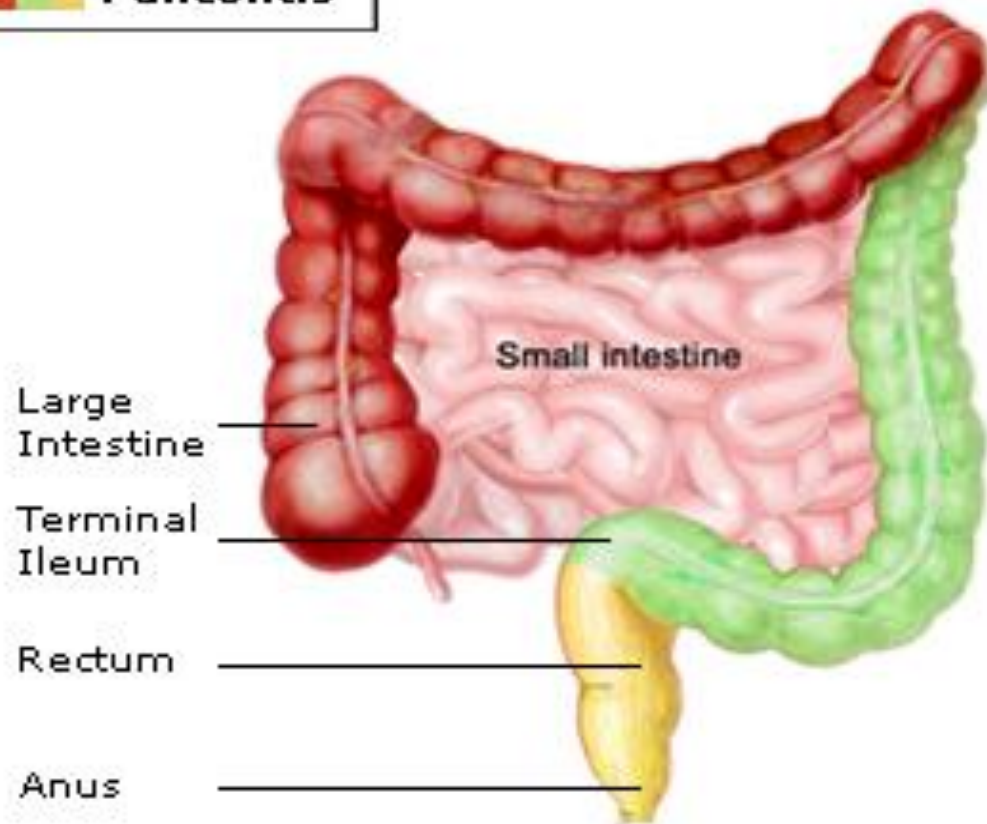
# Introduction

- What is left sided colitis ?
- Clinical manifestations
- Treatment options available
- When to admit to hospital
- When to undertake surveillance
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# What is left sided colitis ?



## Ulcerative Colitis



- Proctosigmoiditis – Rectum and sigmoid
- Left sided or distal disease extends no further than splenic flexure
- Approximately 2/3 of patients with UC present with distal disease
- Progression to proximal disease occurs in 10% of patients at 10yrs

# Left sided colitis



# Clinical manifestations

- Diarrhoea
- Bleeding
- Tenesmus
- Rectal urgency
- Abdominal pain
- constipation

# Treatment options

5 ASA ( mesalsine ) therapy for mild to moderate distal UC ( 2.4gm – 4.8gm )

Induction therapy for distal UC involves topical 5 ASAs  
rapid effect

Proctitis – Mesalazine suppositories 1gm for inducing  
remission and maintaining

Distal colitis – Mesalazine foam enemas 1 gm daily  
reach splenic flexure for inducing and maintaining  
remission

**predsol suppositories 5mg /**  
**predfoam enemas 20mg**

# Treatment options continued

Draw backs to topical treatments burning / scolding sensation along with urgency

Young population non compliance

Oral 5 ASAs well tolerated

Side effects – diarrhoea, pancreatitis , hepatotoxicity and nephritis

U&Es checked prior to commencement then at 3 to 6 monthly intervals for 12/12 then annually.

# Treatment options continued

- Topical steroids for induction therapy for Distal UC- Not to be used long

Patients with moderate to severe distal UC refractory to maximum doses of mesalazine prednisolone can be used 40mg reducing by 5 mg per week till stop

Always give Adcal D3 along with steroids

More than 2 “flare ups in 12/12 then refer to Gastro as will need step up approach to Immunomodulating therapy

# When to admit to hospital

- Definition of severe colitis (Truelove & Witts )
- >6 bloody stools in 24 hours + at least 1 of:
- Fever >37.8, pulse>90/min. ESR> 30 or raised CRP
- Hb <10g/l, albumin, <35g/l

# Surveillance in IBD

**BSG (2009) NICE (2011)**

**Colonoscopy 10 years from  
onset of symptoms**

**Findings**



Severe inflammation/ PSC or stricturing – 1 year colonoscopy  
Moderate inflammation – 3 year colonoscopy  
Quiescent disease - 5 year colonoscopy

# In Summary

- What left sided colitis is and treatment options, treat patients individually
- Symptoms of left sided colitis flare up
- Management of an acute flare
- Surveillance in IBD patients

Thank you for listening





# Shared Care

Dr. Kapil Kapur

Consultant Gastroenterologist

Barnsley Hospital NHS FT

# Definition

- The joint participation of primary and secondary / specialist care physicians in the planned delivery of care supported by an adequate education programme and information exchange

# Importance

- Main role is in the management of patients with a long term condition
- Currently more than 15 million people in the UK have a long term condition
- People with long-term conditions account for
  - 50-80% GP appointments
  - 64% hospital appointments
- Cost of providing care for this group of patients accounts for up to 70% of the total health care budget

# Some long term conditions in gastroenterology

- Coeliac disease
- Barrett's oesophagus
- NAFLD
- Autoimmune liver disease
- Alcoholic liver disease
- Inflammatory bowel disease
  - Ulcerative colitis
  - Crohn's disease

# Purpose of shared care

- Shared care is commonly used to improve the co-ordination of care and communication between primary and specialist care services for people with long term conditions
- Often involves a shift away from hospital care and the hospital based specialist
- A way to reduce the overall cost of care without any loss in quality and safety

# Advantages of shared care

- Delivery of care closer to home
- QUIPP
- Personalisation
  - Health and care services tailored to needs of individual patients
- Reduced fragmentation of care with increased integration and improved continuity of care
- Stronger links between primary, secondary and tertiary care
- Improved patient and provider satisfaction
- More efficient use of scarce resources and improved cost effectiveness

# Current shared care of gastroenterological conditions

- Patients who need treatment with Amber light drugs
  - Azathioprine, 6 Mercaptopurine, Methotrexate
- Inflammatory bowel disease
  - Ulcerative colitis
  - Crohn's disease
- Autoimmune liver disease
- Treatment is initiated in secondary care with follow - up prescribing in primary care



# Options for managing long term conditions

- Long term hospital clinic follow-up
- Discharge into primary care
  - Clear guidelines about management
  - Monitoring and frequency of investigations
  - Surveillance e.g. for neoplasia
  - Criteria for re-referral to secondary care
- Annual hospital follow up
  - Outpatient
  - Virtual clinic
  - Clinician /CNS
- Shared care

(Active patient / carer involvement)

# Uncomplicated Coeliac disease

- 35 year old with confirmed Coeliac disease 1 year ago
- Stable on Gluten free diet
- Normal TTG, Improved histology, normal bone density
  
- Annual follow-up (in surgery)
- Clinical parameters and weight
- TTG
- Dietary history
- Periodic bone density and supplements as needed

# Referral criteria for coeliac

- Weight loss
- New symptoms which do not resolve
  - Lymphoma, ulcerative jejunitis, PEI
- Issues with dietary compliance
- Lab abnormalities – TTG, Hb, etc

# Uncomplicated IBD

- 45 year old patient who has left sided colitis 3 years ago
- Relapse free for more than a year
- Stable on medical treatment –5ASA
- Normal lab parameters and Calprotectin
  
- Regular review (in surgery)
- Monitor renal function-6-12 monthly
- Referral for surveillance colonoscopy after 10 years

# Referral criteria for IBD

- Relapse which does not respond to treatment
- Recurrent relapses
- Steroid dependence
- Significant lab abnormalities
  - Hb, inflammatory markers, calprotectin
- New or red flag symptoms
- Symptoms to suggest acute complications

# Uncomplicated Barrett's Oesophagus

- 68 year old patient with a 15 yr h/o reflux symptoms
- Endoscopy –hiatus hernia and 5 cm segment of Barrett's mucosa.
- Biopsies- confirm Barrett's, no dysplasia
- Asymptomatic on PPI, patient informed and educated
  
- Clinic discharge
- Maintain on PPI
- Surveillance endoscopy

# Referral criteria for Barrett's

- Worsening reflux symptoms or dyspepsia
- Dysphagia
- Red flag symptoms
- Endoscopic reassessment
- Concerns about possible neoplastic change

# Examples of what is not suitable

- Coeliac
  - Refractory, Pancreatic insufficiency
- IBD
  - Immunomodulators, biologics
  - Strictures, fistulae, unstable disease, short bowel
- Barrett's oesophagus
  - Stricture
  - Significant oesophagitis



# Advantages

- Care closer to home
- Avoids the need for hospital appointments
- Cost savings
- Reduced hospital waiting lists
- Shorter times to see new referrals
- Meets requirements for new to follow-up ratios

# Disadvantages

- Lost to follow-up
- Increased work load for GP colleagues
- ? Potential for poor management
- ? Potential for missed complications
- Roles and responsibility

# Concerns in secondary care

- Out of sight is out of mind
- Regular monitoring for side effects
- Regular monitoring for complications
- Early referral in case of problems
- Referral for surveillance procedures or investigations
- Regular CME for GP colleagues about concerned conditions

# Concerns in primary care

- Increased burden of work
- Increased responsibility
- Be up to date with current treatment guidelines /CME
- Guidelines for surveillance
- Guidelines for re-referral
- Easy access to secondary care

# For this to work

- Mandate from primary care
- Shared care agreements
- Identify suitable patients
- Clearly defined criteria for monitoring, review and re-referral
- Clear pathways for communication
- Understanding of roles and responsibilities
- Easy access
- Patient and carer involvement

# Summary – shared care

- Good for overall patient care
- Not suitable for all conditions
- Requires active patient consent and involvement
- Requires good communication between primary and secondary care
- Requires quick and reliable fall back arrangements
- Should be subject to audit, governance and patient satisfaction surveys
- Can reduce the overall cost of health care









# Mandatory requirements

- GPs need to be able to and willing to take on care
- The clinical responsibility of drug prescribing and its consequences rest with the person prescribing the medication
- GPs therefore need to be fully aware of the drugs and dosage prescribed, the monitoring necessary and dealing with side effects
- Excellent communication channels between primary and secondary care
- Explained and accepted by patient / carer

# Responsibilities of secondary care

- Initiation and stabilisation of therapy (3-6 months)
- Notification to the GP that treatment has been commenced
- Baseline monitoring until the patient has been stabilised
- Patient / carer information and education
- Shared care arrangements in place
  - Request to GP to take over prescribing
  - Receipt of shared care documents
- Information about any dose changes
- Maintain good communication

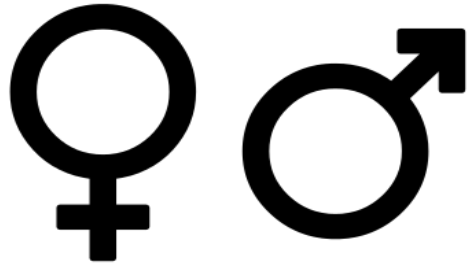
# Responsibilities of primary care

- Reply to the request for shared care
- Ensure shared care arrangements are in place
- Ensure and confirm in adequate information sheets and monitoring information along with timing of the needful is available
- Monitor treatment as stated in shared care protocol
- Confirm with specialists what changes should trigger urgent referral back
- Maintain good communication

# Other requirements

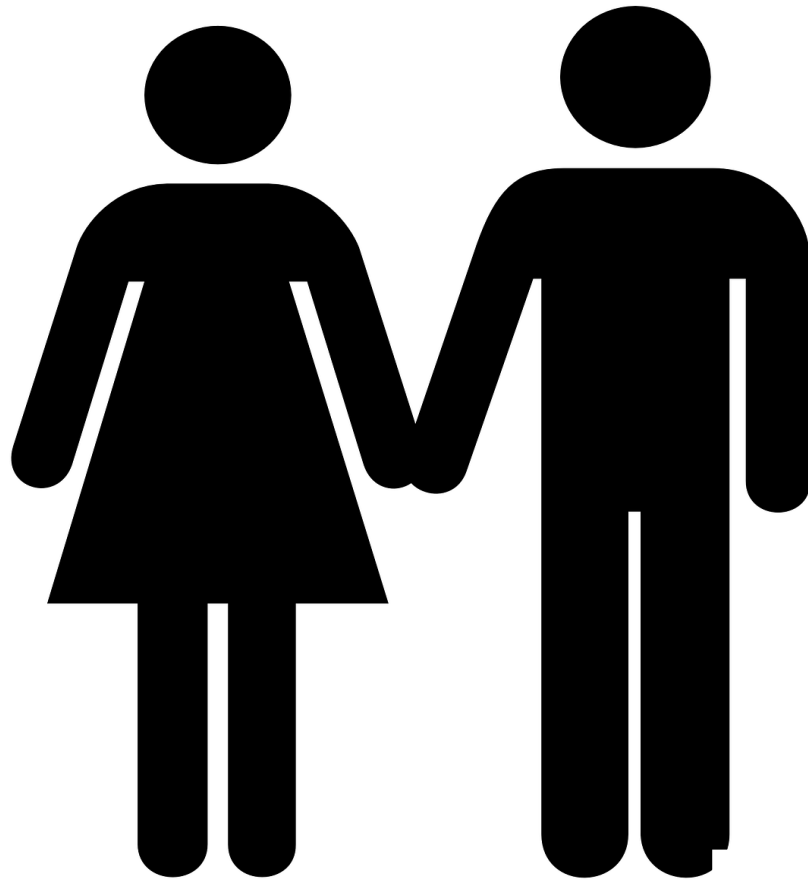
- Contact details for immediate advice and support
  - Consultants
    - Telephone and email contacts
- Contact details for medicines information
  - Hospital pharmacy
- Out of hours contact information
- Information sheet with adequate guidance about the drug





# **B.E.S.T Event**

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2016



- **Sexually Transmitted Infections/HIV**
- **Domestic Abuse**
- **Cervical Screening**

