

# Ulcerative Colitis in the 21st Century: *Incorporating Guidelines and Real-World Evidence in Practice to Enhance Patient-Centered Care*

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Ulcerative colitis (UC) is a heterogeneous disorder that requires an individualized approach in order to achieve goals of treatment such as mucosal healing and deep, long-term remission. The American College of Gastroenterology (ACG) released updated treatment guidelines in 2019 that include recommendations for disease stratification, prognosis, treatment options, and disease monitoring. These guidelines, along with new efficacy, safety, and comparative effectiveness data and the approval of additional therapies, facilitate the identification of the right treatment for the right patient at the right time. Clinicians who care for patients with UC must ensure that they are aware of these updates and incorporate them into practice in order to optimize patient outcomes.

This CME Outfitters virtual symposium will feature the UC guideline authors discussing the newest recommendations and their translation to practice. Additionally, a shared decision-making (SDM) demonstration video will be integrated into the symposium to illustrate effective and ineffective patient-provider communication on treatment decisions.

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- Follow the updated UC guidelines to incorporate elements of prognosis into diagnosis and treatment decision-making.
- Incorporate data on efficacy, safety, comparative effectiveness, and different routes of administration from clinical trials and real-world experience into treatment decision-making in moderate-to-severe UC.
- Implement strategies for improving patient-centered care and SDM in moderate-to-severe UC.

***The following learning objectives pertain only to those requesting CNE or CPE credit:***

- Identify the updated UC guidelines for diagnosis and treatment decision-making for patients with UC.
- Summarize data on efficacy, safety, comparative effectiveness, and different routes of administration from clinical trials and real-world experience for treatment decision-making in moderate-to-severe UC.
- Describe strategies for improving patient-centered care and SDM in moderate-to-severe UC.

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Dr. Rubin is a Fellow of the American Gastroenterological Association (AGA), the American College of Gastroenterology (ACG), the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE), and the American College of Physicians (ACP) as well as an active national member of the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation (CCF) and is on the Board of Trustees for the ACG. Among numerous awards and honors, Dr. Rubin was chosen by his peers as a member of Best Doctors (recognized for superior clinical ability) and America's Top Physicians (gastroenterology). Additionally, he twice received the ACG's Governor's Award of Excellence in Clinical Research (2003 and 2013), the Cancer Research Foundation Young Investigator's Award (2004), and the UC Postgraduate Teaching Award in recognition of significant contributions for fellowship education (2006). In 2012, he received the CCF Rosenthal Award, a national leadership award bestowed upon a volunteer who has contributed in an indisputable way to the quality of life of patients and families. He is currently the Chair-elect of the National Scientific Advisory Committee of the CCF. He is an Associate Editor of the journal *Gastroenterology* and Co-Editor of the ACG On-Line Educational Universe.

Dr. Rubin is the editor of a best-selling book on inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), now in its 3rd edition, and an author or coauthor of many peer-reviewed articles on treatment and management of IBD as well as cancer in IBD and novel paradigms. He is also first author of the in-progress ACG Guidelines for ulcerative colitis. His current research is in the area of progressive complications from uncontrolled inflammation, the doctor-patient relationship in IBD, and a variety of collaborative studies related to the microbiome and intestinal disease. He is also a featured media contact for issues related to IBD (satellite radio, television, and print media) and maintains a popular twitter feed @IBDMD (> 6,000 followers). His principal research interests include novel IBD therapies and outcomes, colon cancer prevention, and clinical medical ethics.

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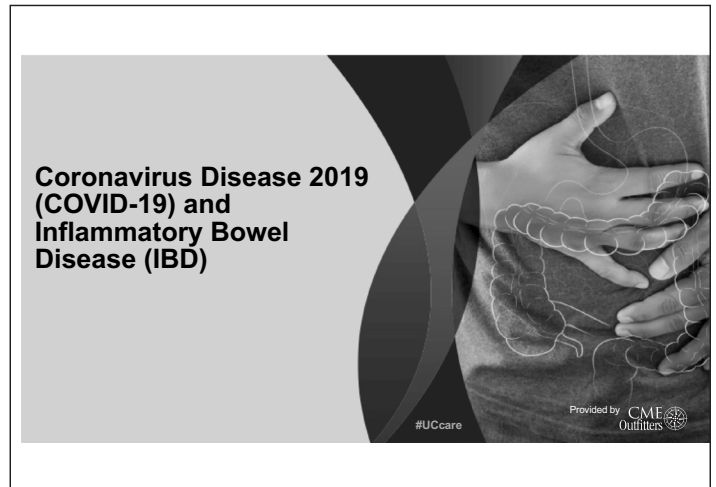
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**Coronavirus Disease 2019  
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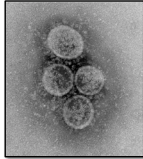
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## COVID-19: Key Facts

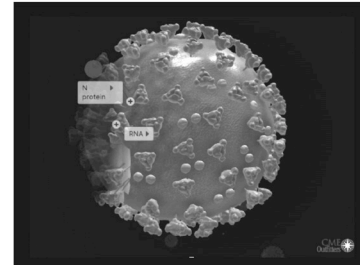
- There are hundreds of coronaviruses
  - Most circulate among animals (pigs, camels, bats, cats)
  - Sometimes jump to humans (SARS 2002-2004) (MERS 2012)
  - COVID-19 caused by SARS-CoV-2
- Incubation median 5 days, range 2-11.5 days
- Clinical presentation
  - Respiratory tract infection (fever, cough)
  - Bilateral pneumonia, lymphopenia
  - Up to 50% report gastrointestinal (GI) symptoms: anorexia, diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal pain



COVID-19 = coronavirus; MERS = Middle East respiratory syndrome; SARS-CoV-2 = severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2.  
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## SARS-CoV-2



BioDigital COVID-19 Inside Virus Structure.  
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## AGA Guidance: Management of IBD During COVID-19 Pandemic

<p><b>Patients with IBD should continue IBD therapies and infusions</b></p>	<p>Having IBD does not appear to increase the risk of SARS-CoV-2 infection or development of COVID-19</p>
<p><b>Instructions for patients who develop COVID-19:</b></p> <p>a. Stop immune-modulating therapies                  c. Can restart therapies after complete resolution of COVID-19 symptoms</p>	<p>Submit cases of IBD and confirmed COVID-19 to SECURE-IBD registry (COVIDIBD.org)</p>

AGA = American Gastroenterological Association; TNF = tumor necrosis factor.  
 Rubin DT, et al. *Gastroenterology*. 2020. [Epub ahead of print]. [https://www.gastrojournal.org/article/S0016-5085\(20\)30482-0/fulltext](https://www.gastrojournal.org/article/S0016-5085(20)30482-0/fulltext).



## Clinical Case: Meet Monica

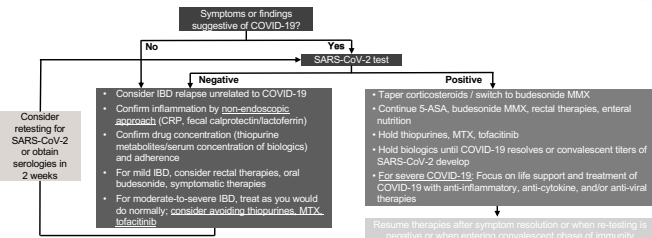
- Monica is a 42-year-old woman with a 3-year history of UC
- Medications: anti-TNF
- Currently 4 BMs/day with blood, fever 39°C, dry cough
- Assessment:
  - CRP 6 mg/dL
  - Negative for *Clostridioides difficile* (*C. diff*)
  - **Positive for SARS-CoV-2** (rapid test)



BMs = bowel movements; CRP = C-reactive protein; UC = ulcerative colitis.



## Management of IBD Relapse During the COVID-19 Pandemic



5-ASA = 5-aminosalicylic acid; MTX = methotrexate.  
Rubin DT, et al. *Gastroenterology*. 2020. [Epub ahead of print]. [https://www.gastrojournal.org/article/S0016-5085\(20\)30482-0/fulltext](https://www.gastrojournal.org/article/S0016-5085(20)30482-0/fulltext).



## Learning Objective 1

Follow the updated UC guidelines to incorporate elements of prognosis into diagnosis and treatment decision-making.

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## Clinical Case: Meet Ross

- Ross is a 70-year-old man who presents to you with newly onset symptoms (past month):
  - Weight loss (6 lb)
  - Diarrhea: up to 5 BMs/day, 50% with bleeding
  - Urgency
- Generally healthy; runs every day; still works as a consultant, which requires occasional travel
- Labs:
  - Hemoglobin 11.2 g/dL
  - CRP 12 mg/L
  - Fecal calprotectin 308 mcg/g
  - C. *diff* negative; SARS-CoV-2 negative
  - Colonoscopy: Mayo score 2



### CLINICAL GUIDELINES

#### ACG Clinical Guideline: Ulcerative Colitis in Adults

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Ulcerative colitis (UC) is an idiopathic inflammatory disorder. These guidelines indicate the preferred approach to the management of adults with UC and represent the official practice recommendations of the American College of Gastroenterology. The scientific evidence for these guidelines was evaluated using the Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development, and Evaluation (GRADE) process. In instances where the evidence was not appropriate for GRADE, but there was consensus of significant clinical merit, “key concept” statements were developed using expert consensus. These guidelines are meant to be broadly applicable and should be viewed as the preferred, but not only, approach to clinical scenarios.

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Gastroenterology 2020;158:1450-1461



### CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES

#### AGA Clinical Practice Guidelines on the Management of Moderate to Severe Ulcerative Colitis

Joseph D. Feuerstein,<sup>1</sup> Kim L. Isaacs,<sup>2</sup> Yechezkel Schneider,<sup>3</sup> Shazia Mehmood Siddique,<sup>3</sup> Yngve Falck-Ytter,<sup>1,4</sup> and Sidharth Singh,<sup>5</sup> on behalf of the AGA Institute Clinical Guidelines Committee

ACG = American College of Gastroenterology.  
Rubin DT, et al. *Am J Gastroenterol*. 2019;114(3):384-413. Feuerstein JD, et al. *Gastroenterology*. 2020;158(5):1450-1461.





## New to 2019 ACG UC Guidelines

- Differentiated activity from severity
- ACG Disease Activity Index
- Mildly vs. moderately to severely active disease
- Treatment of hospitalized patients
- Updated colorectal cancer prevention guidelines
- 48 GRADE recommendations
- 54 key concept statements

GRADE = Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation.  
Rubin DT, et al. *Am J Gastroenterol.* 2019;114(3):384-413.



## 2020 AGA Moderate-Severe UC Guidelines

Focus on Therapies

- Management of treatment-naïve and biologic-naïve patients
- Management after TNF failure
- Early use of biologics instead of step-up approach
- Management of hospitalized patients

Feuerstein JD, et al. *Gastroenterology.* 2020;158(5):1450-1461.




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## New ACG UC Activity Index

	Remission	Mild	Moderate-Severe	Fulminant
Stools (#/day)	Formed stools	< 4	> 6	> 10
Blood in stools	None	Intermittent	Frequent	Continuous
Urgency	None	Mild, occasional	Often	Continuous
Hemoglobin	Normal	Normal	< 75% of normal	Transfusion required
ESR	< 30	< 30	> 30	> 30
CRP (mg/L)	Normal	Elevated	Elevated	Elevated
Fecal calprotectin (µg/g)	< 150-200	> 150-200	> 150-200	> 150-200
Endoscopy (Mayo subscore)	0-1	1	2-3	3
UCEIS	0-1	2-4	5-8	7-8

ESR = erythrocyte sedimentation rate; UCEIS = Ulcerative Colitis Endoscopic Index of Severity.  
Rubin DT, et al. *Am J Gastroenterol.* 2019;114(3):384-413.



## Case Recap



- Ross is a 70-year-old man with no prior history of GI symptoms
- Since the last month: weight loss, diarrhea (5 BMs/day, 50% with blood)
- Assessment:
  - Hemoglobin 11.2 g/dL
  - CRP 12 mg/L
  - *C. diff* and SARS-CoV-2 negative
  - Fecal calprotectin 308 mcg/g
  - Mayo score 2




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## Poor Prognostic Factors in UC Disease Severity

Poor Prognostic Factors
Age < 40 at diagnosis
Extensive colitis
Severe endoscopic disease (Mayo endoscopic subscore 3, UCEIS ≥ 7)
Hospitalization for colitis
Elevated CRP
Low serum albumin

Rubin DT, et al. *Am J Gastroenterol.* 2019;114(3):384-413.



## Updated Goals of Management of UC

- Diagnosis including extent of disease and biopsy
- Movement to separate activity and severity
- Induction of clinical response/remission and mucosal healing
- Maintenance therapy identified based on induction therapy and prognosis
- Screen and treat for anxiety/depressive disorders
- Prevention of complications (cancer, hospitalization, infections, other drug-related)
- Organ-selective before systemic treatments

**ACTIVITY: How sick the patient is NOW**  
**SEVERITY: Includes elements of PROGNOSIS**

Rubin DT, et al. *Am J Gastroenterol.* 2019;114(3):384-413.




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## Learning Objective 2

Incorporate data on efficacy, safety, comparative effectiveness, and different routes of administration from clinical trials and real-world experience into treatment decision-making in moderate-to-severe UC.

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## Clinical Case: Meet Rachel

- Rachel is a 30-year-old woman with a history of UC rectosigmoiditis
- Since the diagnosis 4 year ago, she has been on mesalamine and more recently (since 1 year ago) on adalimumab 40 mg subcutaneously (SC) every 2 weeks + azathioprine 2 mg orally (PO) every day
- Rachel has required 2 tapers of prednisone since her diagnosis to reduce the number of BMs and urgency
- Currently has 7 BMs/day with blood
- Labs:
  - Hemoglobin 12.2 g/dL
  - CRP 22 mg/L
  - C. *diff* negative
  - SARS-CoV-2 negative




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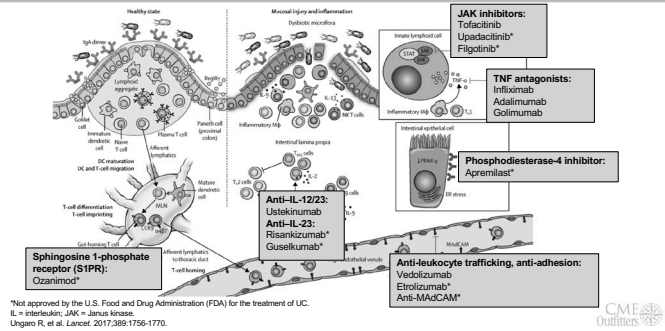


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## Novel Targets and Therapies in UC



## Targeted Therapies Approved by the FDA for Moderate-Severe UC

	Mechanism	Induction of Clinical Response and Remission	Adverse Events*
Infliximab	Anti-TNF	ACT <sup>1</sup>	Serious infections, opportunistic infections; need to test for tuberculosis (TB) and hepatitis B virus (HBV) prior to initiation of therapy
Adalimumab	Anti-TNF	ULTRA <sup>2</sup>	
Golimumab	Anti-TNF	PURSUIT-SC <sup>3</sup>	Nasopharyngitis
Vedolizumab	Selective α4β7 integrin antagonist	GEMINI <sup>4</sup>	
Tofacitinib	JAK inhibitor	OCTAVE Induction <sup>5</sup>	Serious infections, opportunistic infections; need to test for TB and HBV prior to initiation of therapy (increased risk of herpes zoster)
Ustekinumab	Anti-IL-12/23	UNIFI <sup>6</sup>	

\*See prescribing information for full list of warnings, precautions, and adverse events.  
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## Induction of Remission: Moderate-Severe UC

- UC failing to respond to 5-ASA therapy → oral systemic corticosteroids<sup>1-4</sup>
- Moderate UC → oral budesonide multi-matrix (MMX)<sup>1</sup>
- Moderate-severe UC of any extent → oral systemic corticosteroids<sup>1,3,4,5</sup>
- Anti-TNF therapy using adalimumab, golimumab, or infliximab<sup>1,3,5</sup>
- Infliximab in combination with a thiopurine<sup>1-5</sup>
- Vedolizumab<sup>1-3,5</sup> or ustekinumab<sup>5</sup> or tofacitinib<sup>1,5</sup>
- If failed anti-TNF → vedolizumab<sup>1-4</sup> or tofacitinib<sup>1</sup> or ustekinumab<sup>5</sup>
- **Recommend against** monotherapy with thiopurines or methotrexate<sup>1,3,5</sup>

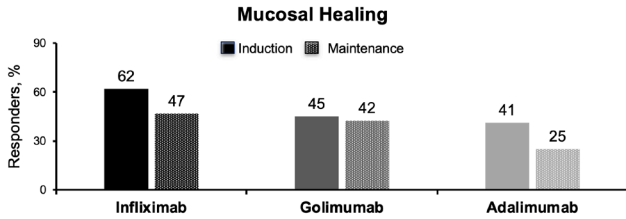
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## Maintenance of Remission: Moderate-Severe UC

- **Recommend against** systemic steroids<sup>1,3,5</sup>
- Thiopurines<sup>1-6</sup>
- **Recommend against** using methotrexate<sup>1-3,6</sup>
- Anti-TNF therapy using adalimumab, golimumab, or infliximab<sup>1-6</sup>
- Vedolizumab<sup>1,4,6</sup> or tofacitinib<sup>1,6</sup> or ustekinumab<sup>6</sup>

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### Anti-TNF Therapy: Overall Efficacy

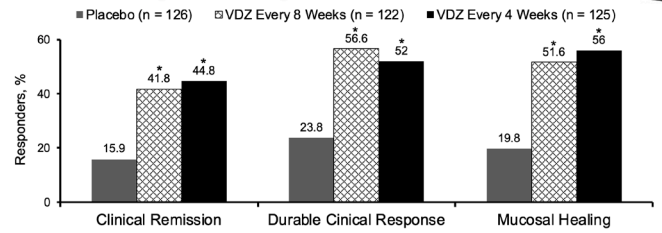


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### Vedolizumab Maintenance in UC: Week 52 (GEMINI)



Durable clinical response = clinical response (reduction in Mayo score of at least 3 points + > 30% decrease from baseline + at least 1 point decrease in rectal bleeding) at weeks 6 and 52.

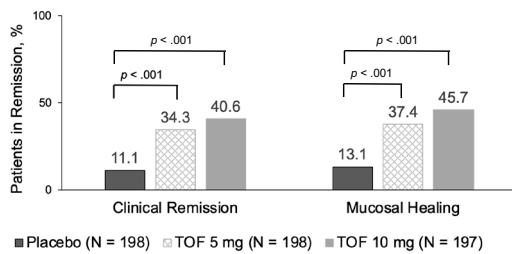
Clinical remission = Mayo score ≤ 2 and no subscore higher than 1. Mucosal healing = Mayo endoscopic subscore of 0 or 1.

\*p < .001.

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### Tofacitinib Maintenance in UC: Week 52 (OCTAVE Sustain)

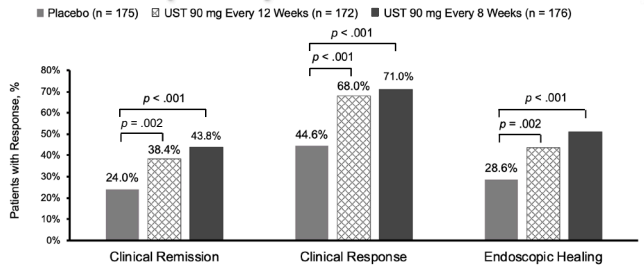


TOF = tofacitinib.

Sandborn W, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2017;376(16):1723-1736.



### Ustekinumab Maintenance in UC: Week 44 (UNIFI)



Clinical remission = total score of ≤ 2 on the Mayo scale. Endoscopic healing = Mayo endoscopic subscore of 0 or 1.

Clinical response = decrease in the total Mayo score of at least 30% and of at least 3 points from baseline.

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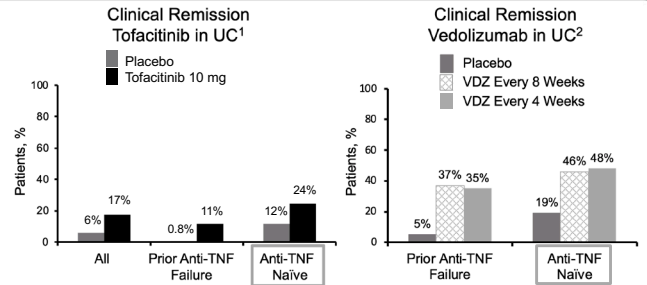
## Case Recap



- Rachel is a 30-year-old woman with a history of UC rectosigmoiditis
- Diagnosed 4 years ago; has been on mesalamine and then adalimumab; required 2 tapers of prednisone
- Currently 7 BMs/day with blood
- Labs:
  - Hemoglobin 12.2 g/dL
  - CRP 22 mg/L
  - *C. diff* and SARS-CoV-2 negative

CME Outlines

## TNF-Naïve Patients Respond Better to Tofacitinib or Vedolizumab vs. Those Who Have Failed a TNF

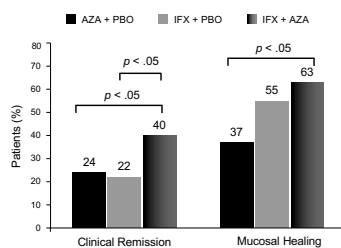


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CME Outlines

## Infliximab + Azathioprine vs. Monotherapy: Week 16 (UC SUCCESS)

- N = 239
- Randomized, double-blind trial in anti-TNF-naïve patients with moderate-to-severe UC
- Primary endpoint: corticosteroid-free clinical remission at week 16

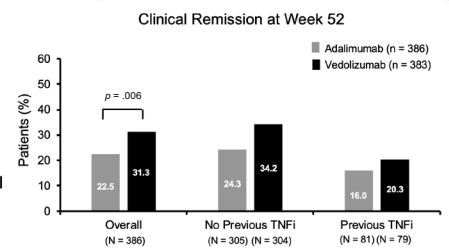


AZA = azathioprine; IFX = infliximab; PBO = placebo. Panaccione R, et al. *Gastroenterology*. 2014;146(2):392-400.e3.

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## Vedolizumab vs. Adalimumab: Week 52 (VARSITY)

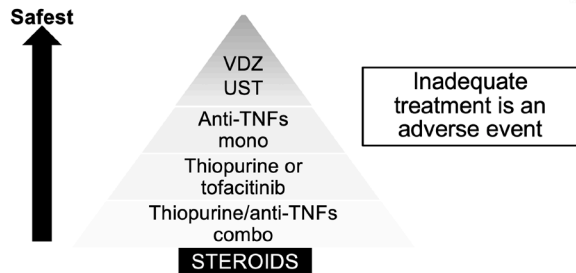
- N = 769
- Phase IIIb, double-blind, double-dummy, multi-center, active-controlled trials for patients with moderately to severely active UC who failed conventional therapies
- Primary endpoint: clinical remission at week 52



TNFi = TNF inhibitor. Sands BE, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2019;381:1215-1226.

CME Outlines

### Safety Pyramid of Current IBD Medications



UST = ustekinumab  
 Click B, Regueiro M. *Inflamm Bowel Dis.* 2019;25(5):831-842.



### Individualized Therapy of Moderate-Severe UC: Sub-Populations

- **Age > 65:** Ustekinumab, vedolizumab
- **Inpatient:** Infliximab (induction and maintenance), cyclosporine (induction followed by azathioprine or vedolizumab maintenance)
- **Significant cancer history, lymphoma:** Ustekinumab, vedolizumab
- **Pregnancy:** Anti-TNF, azathioprine, ustekinumab, vedolizumab
- **Steroid responsive mild-moderate disease:** Thiopurine
- **Extraintestinal joint pain or inflammation:** Anti-TNF, tofacitinib, ustekinumab
- **Previous anti-TNF failure:** Tofacitinib, ustekinumab, vedolizumab

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### Learning Objective 3

Implement strategies for improving patient-centered care and shared decision-making (SDM) in moderate-to-severe UC.




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### Clinical Case: Meet Joey

- Joey is a 32-year-old man with extensive UC
- Since diagnosis, he has been in remission on mesalamine 4.8 gm daily; recently developed worsening symptoms with 8 loose, urgent BMs/day with blood; currently on prednisone 40 mg daily
- Flexible sigmoidoscopy showed moderately active inflammation
- Labs:
  - Hemoglobin 11.2 g/dL
  - CRP 14 mg/L
  - C. *diff* negative
  - SARS-CoV-2 negative




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### SDM: What Do Patients Say?

Do you feel your clinician engages you in treatment decisions and do you discuss your treatment regimen preference, the history of your disease, and the severity of your disease?

*The doctor I have now is very engaged with my symptoms, treatment plans, and anything that I want to discuss about IBD*

*My doctor tells me what the treatment is. I just do what she tells me. I would like to feel like we make decisions together but she never seems to have time for that.*




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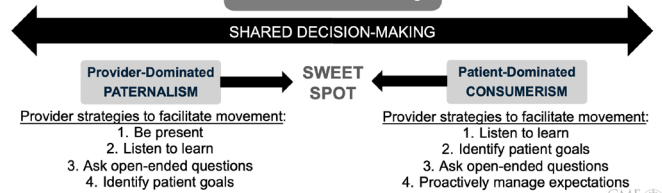


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### The Spectrum of Patient-Provider Communication

Provider-Patient Alignment of:

- Health and wellness goals
- Supportive behaviors
- Expectations and timelines
- Resources needed for change




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### Incorporating Patient Preferences: Routes and Frequency of Administration

Intravenous Infusion	Subcutaneous Infusion	Oral
<b>Infliximab</b> every 8 weeks	<b>Adalimumab</b> every 2 weeks	<b>Tofacitinib</b> once or twice per day depending on formulation
<b>Vedolizumab</b> every 8 weeks	<b>Golimumab</b> every 4 weeks	
	<b>Ustekinumab*</b> every 8 weeks	

\*Maintenance dose. FDA. FDA Website. <https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/daf/>.




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### Strategies to Empower Patients to Communicate About Their Preferences

- Focus on the present moment
- Listen to what patients and caregivers say, not what you think they will say
- Ask situational questions that help open patients up to additional considerations
- Provide information when and where it is needed
- Create a shared set of goals and check them off at each appointment




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## Digital Tools to Empower Patients

- **Decision aid:** IBD&me generates a personalized therapy preferences report for patients to discuss with their physician
- **GI symptom trackers:** MyTherapy, My IBD Manager, myColitis help patients track their symptoms and share this information with their physician

Visit CME Outfitters' [GI Patient Hub](#) to find more digital apps and other resources to share with your patients



## Effective and Ineffective Communication

- **Effective communication:**
  - "Let's discuss the risks and benefits of the options to find out what is best for you"
  - "What questions do you have?" "Good question; many people wonder about that..."
  - "Feel free to call me back or send me a message later if you have more questions as you think this over"
- **Ineffective communication:**
  - Feels rushed, as if the provider is not paying attention
  - Patient doesn't feel as if his/her concerns were answered
  - Patient doesn't report his/her symptoms or mention questions




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## SMART Goals

Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Timely

- Choose appropriate therapies during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Differentiate **activity** from **severity** in UC
- Choose therapy based on:
  - Activity, severity, extent of inflammation, and prognostic factors
  - Include oral, topical (rectal), systemic therapies, and surgery
  - Comparative effectiveness
- Prompt patients with open-ended questions to encourage SDM



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