# 10<sup>™</sup> ANNUAL DIGESTIVE DISEASES: NEW ADVANCES

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#### **IBD:** Difficult to Treat Populations

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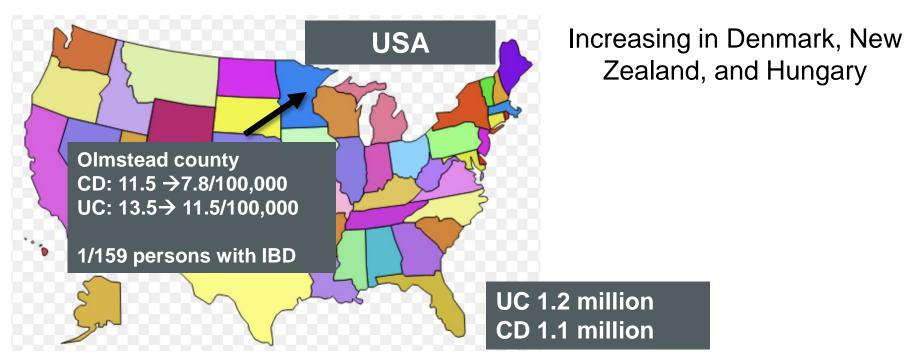
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# Outline

- Brief update
- Medication History
- Predicting severe disease
- Prior biologic failures
- Perianal disease
- Disease in pregnancy

# **IBD Brief Update**

#### **IBD: Changing Population Data**



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# **Risk and Protective Factors for IBD**

#### **Risk factors**

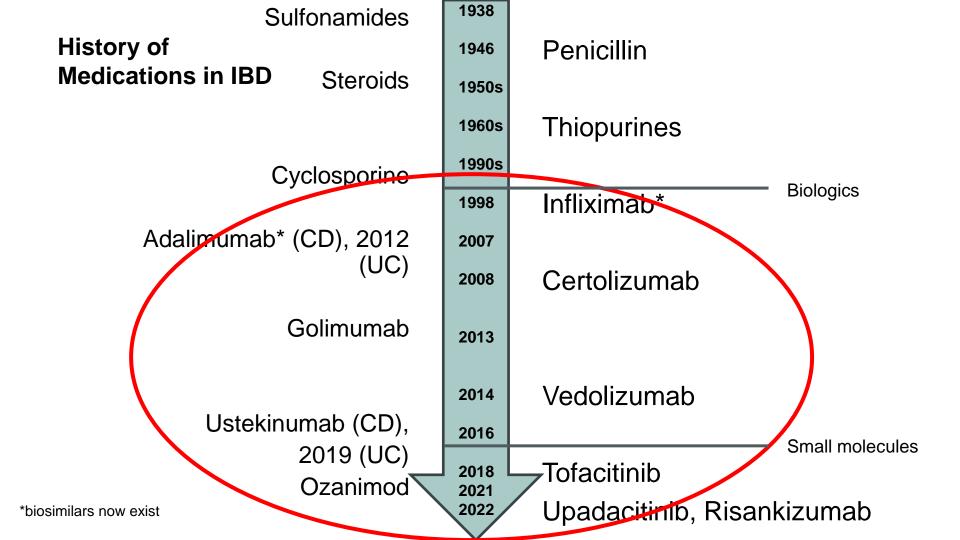
- Mebendazole (< 5 yo)<sup>1</sup>
- Asthma + allergic rhinitis<sup>2</sup>
- Antibiotic exposure<sup>3</sup>
- EBV infection<sup>4</sup>
- Abuse as a child <sup>5</sup>

#### **Protective factors**

- Living with a dog<sup>6</sup>
- Being in a large family<sup>6</sup>

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# **Medication History**



# **Predicting Severe Disease**

#### Predictors of Severe Disease and Colectomy in Ulcerative Colitis

- Young age at diagnosis (< 40 years old)
- Presence of large and/or deep ulcers
- Presence of extra-intestinal manifestations (EIM)
- Early need for steroids
- Elevated inflammatory markers

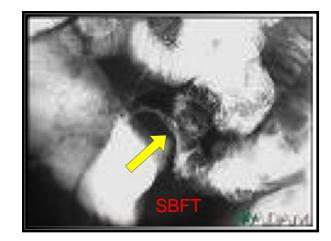






#### Predictors of severe Crohn's disease

- Early age at diagnosis (< 40 years old)
- Upper GI tract involvement
- Perianal disease
- Stricturing and/or penetrating disease
- Early steroid use
- Post operative complications
- Genetics



# **Prediction Tools: CD PATH**

- Time from diagnosis
- Disease location
- Serologic factors
  - ASCA IgA and IgG
  - pANCA IFA
  - Anti-CBir1 IgG
- Genetic factor
  - NOD2 mutation

- Who is eligible?
  - $\geq 18$  years old
  - Within 10 years of diagnosis
  - NO serious CD complications
  - Commercial insurance or uninsured

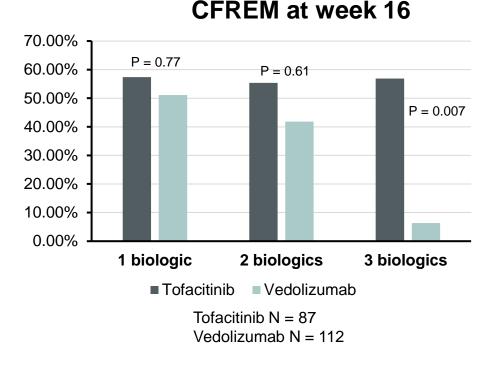
# **Prior Biologic Failures**

#### What We Know

- It may be due to inadequate dosing
- Prior failure to anti-TNF therapy may indicate more refractory disease
- BUT there's hope!

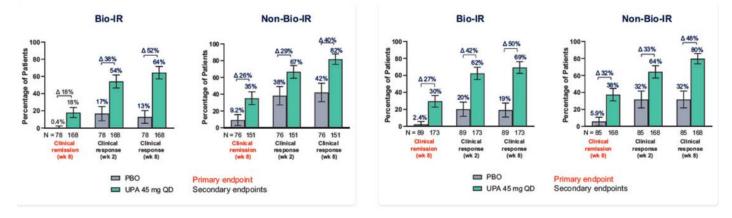
#### Tofacitinib > Vedolizumab in UC With Failure to ≥1 Biologic

- Multicenter retrospective evaluation of UC patients with prior biologic failure *including* at least 1 anti-TNF
- Assess corticosteroid free clinical remission (CFREM)
  - Secondary to assess endoscopic response and mucosal healing



#### Upadacitinib: Prior Biologic Failure

#### Upadacitinib in Induction by Bio-IR Status (U-ACHIEVE and U-ACCOMPLISH Phase 3 Induction Trials)



Bio-IR: experienced previous biologic failure (inadequate response, loss of response, or intolerance)

#### **Clinical Trials**

- Clinicaltrials.gov
- New mechanisms of action
- Dual therapy

# **Perianal Disease**

#### Choosing Therapy: Crohn's Disease

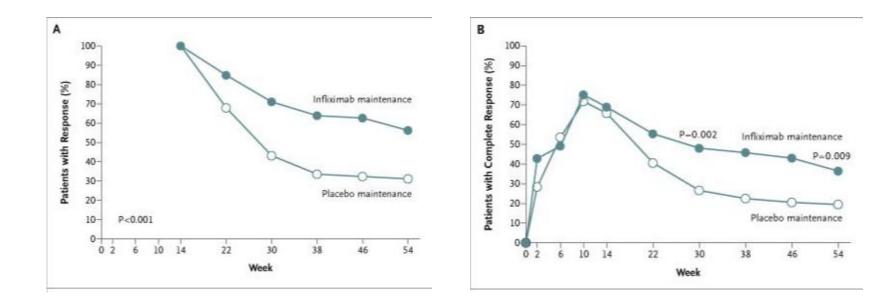
- Disease behavior
  - Fistulizing
    - Minimal data



	Variable	Placebo		Infliximab		
2		# patients	% primary responders	# patients	% primary responders	
-	All patients	31	26	63	62	
	# EC fistulas					
	1	13	8	29	52	
	>1	18	39	34	71	
	Dose of steroid					
	20mg/day	5	20	6	67	
	< 20mg/day	6	17	15	53	
	None	20	30	42	64	
	MTX or Aza					
	Yes	9	44	29	59	
	No	22	18	34	65	
	Antibiotics					
	Yes	11	27	17	65	
	No	20	25	46	61	

#### Choosing Therapy: Crohn's Disease

Perianal disease



#### Perianal Disease: Response to Ustekinumab

#### SEAVUE

- **Biologic** naïve ۲
- Evaluation at baseline + week 52

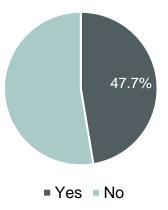
**Fistula Resolution** 

# 53.8% Yes No

#### **STARDUST**

- Biologic naïve or failed 1 biologic
- Evaluation at baseline + week 48

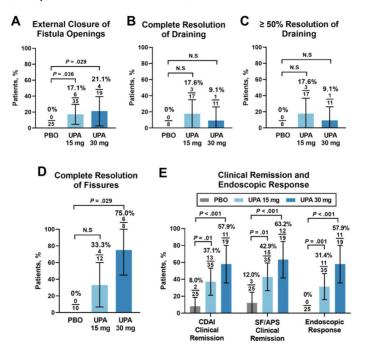
**Fistula Resolution** 



Sands BE et al. Presented at DDW May 2022. Mo1479

#### **Upadacitinib:** Fistulas

Figure 2. Proportion of Patients Who Achieved Fistula, Draining, Fissure, Clinical, and Endoscopic Outcomes at Week 52 of Maintenance



## Chronic Pouchitis + Crohn's Disease of the Pouch

#### Pouchitis

- Mainstay of treatment
  - Antibiotic course

- $\rightarrow$ Works for many BUT what about...
  - → Chronic antibiotic refractory pouchitis (CARP)
  - $\rightarrow$  Crohn's disease of the pouch

#### Chronic Antibiotic Refractory Pouchitis (CARP)

- Other antibiotics
- Steroids
  - Oral and rectal budesonide
- Advanced therapies
  - Biologics
  - Small molecules

#### Crohn's Disease of the Pouch

- Data has shown that biologics are effective
  - Choice dependent on prior exposures, disease history

- Recent study assessing efficacy of UST and VDZ
  - N = 101, majority bio-exposed
  - Clinical and histologic response favorable (Clinical >> histologic)

# **Disease in Pregnancy**

#### Choosing Therapy: Women of Childbearing Age

- AGA pregnancy pathway
- IBD Parenthood Project V

#### **Choosing Therapy: Pregnancy Considerations**

- Discontinue MTX *prior* to conception
  - -At least 3 months

- Avoid steroids if possible
  - -1st trimester, **1** cleft palate risk

#### IBD + Pregnancy: Mediations to Continue

- Mesalamines\*
  - All phthalate free except Azulfadine EN
  - SFZ concerns

- Thiopurines\*
  - Continue if monotherapy
  - Consider stopping if combination therapy
  - Don't start during pregnancy

# IBD + Pregnancy: The [Classic] Medications

- Infliximab\*
- Adalimumab\*
- Certolizumab
  - Pegylated
  - Does not cross placenta
- Golimumab

# IBD + Pregnancy: The [Classic] Medications

#### Timing of administration

 Adjust timing of dose in attempt to deliver at trough

- Resume after delivery
  - 24 hours after vaginal
  - 48 hours after c-section

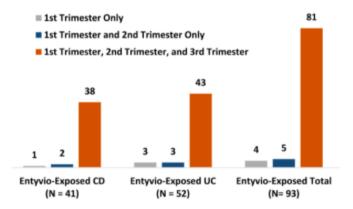
# Adjustments prior to estimated delivery date

- Infliximab
  - 6-10 weeks prior (4-6 weeks if Q4week dosing)
- Adalimumab
  - 2-3 weeks prior (1-2 weeks if weekly dosing)
- Golimumab
  - 4-6 weeks prior
- \*Certolizumab: continue regular dosing

#### Anti-integrin: vedolizumab

 Vedolizumab Pregnancy Exposure Registry

Figure 1. Gestational Timing of Vedolizumab Use in Pregnancy



Chambers CD et al. Abstract presented at: ACG October 25, 2021.

	Vedolizumab exposed (N = 93)	Disease matched (N = 104)	Healthy controls (N = 98)
Live born infant n/N (%)	88/93 (94.6)	99/104 (95.2)	85/98 (86.7)
Spontaneous abortion n/N (%)	3 (9.4)	3 (6.1)	1 (5.7)
Termination; n/N (%)	0/93 (0)	0/104 (0)	0/98 (0)
Still birth; n/N (%)	0/93 (0)	1/104 (1.0)	0/98 (0)
Preterm rate	13 (15.3)	6 (6.1)	6 (7.3)
Mean birthweight (g)	3405.4	3427.9	3307.4
Major birth defects; n/N (%)	5/91 (5.5)	7/103 (6.8)	4/86 (4.7)
Serious infections ( <u>&lt;</u> 1 y/o); n/N (%)	3/92 (3.3)	1/99 (1.0)	1/88 (1.1)
Screening with concern (up to 1 y/o); n/N (%)	9/48 (18.8)	19/85 (22.4)	8/56 (14.3)

#### Anti-IL-12/IL-23: Ustekinumab

- Active pregnancy registry
- Literature demonstrates similar birth outcomes as compared to the general population

#### Safety data through 2019

	Live Birth	Elective/ Induced Abortion	Spontaneous Abortion	Live Birth with Congenital AEs
All Cases	68.8%	9.0%	18.4%	2.7%
Prospective Cases	75.7%	7.8%	13.5%	2.7%
Retrospective Cases	57.7%	11.0%	26.4%	2.7%
General Population	62.9%	19.4%	17.9%	4.0%

Tikhonov I, Volger S, Lin CB, et al. Poster presented at: American Academy of Dermatology; June 2020; Abraham B, Ott E, Busse C, et al. Abstract presented at: Digestive Disease Week; May 2021.

#### JAK inhibitor: Tofacitinib

- Other agents preferred
  - At least avoid during 1<sup>st</sup> trimester
- Animal studies show in utero fetal harm
- Limited data
  - 11/1157 pregnancies with maternal exposure
- Pregnancy registry

Mahadevan U, Dubinsky MC, et al. *Inflamm Bowel Dis*. 2018. Pfizer medical information: Xeljanz/Xeljanz XR use in specific populations.

	Maternal Exposure (11/1157) No. (%)	Paternal Exposure (14/1157) No. (%)
Healthy newborn	4 (36.4)	11 (78.6)
Medical termination	2 (18.2)	0 (0.0)
Neonatal death	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
Fetal death	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
Congenital malformations	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
Spontaneous abortion	2 (18.2)	0 (0.0)
Pending or lost to follow up	3 (27.3)	3 (21.4)

#### S1P receptor modulator: Ozanimod

- Other agents preferred
- Animal studies have shown inutero exposure may cause fetal harm
- Data from MS trial
  - 42 pregnancies/1868 females
- Elimination takes approximately 3 months

\*loss of one twin

+ Rate of spontaneous abortion in general population 12-22% Minton N, Henry A, et al. *Neurology*. 2021; Dubinsky et al. *J Crohn's and Colitis*. 2021.

	Ozanimod exposed	Outcome, n	UC	CD
	pregnancies (N = 42)	Pregnancies	9	3
Live born infant	27/42 (64.3)	Healthy live birth	2	1
n/N (%)		Congenital abnormality	0	0
Spontaneous	6/42*+(14.3)			
abortion n/N (%)		Premature	0	0
Termination	9/42 (21.4)	Ongoing	2	2
n/N (%)		Spontaneous	2	0
	3/27 (11.1)	early loss	_	-
Preterm rate n/N (%)		Elective termination	3	0

## **Key Points**

- Monitor disease
- Treat aggressively
- Growing armamentarium of options!



#### Thank You!

#### **Questions?**