Multidonor intensive faecal microbiota transplantation for active ulcerative colitis: a randomised placebo-controlled trial

Multicenter, double-blind, randomised, placebo-controlled trial. Adult patients with UC were randomised to either fecal microbiota transplantation (FMT) or placebo colonoscopic infusion, followed by enemas 5 days per week for 8 weeks.

FMT were each derived from between 3-7 unrelated donors.

<u>Primary endpoint:</u> Steroid-free clinical remission with endoscopic remission or response at week 8.

## Results: N=85

- SF clinical remission+Endoscopic at w8: 27%FMT vs 8%placebo, p=0.021
- SF clinical remission w8: 44%FMT vs 20%placebo, p=0.021
- SF endoscopic remission: 12% FMT vs 8%placebo, p=ns
- Significant differences in microbial profiles were observed.
- Adverse events 78% FMT vs 83% placebo

## **Conclusion:**

Intensive-dosing, multidonor, FMT induces clinical remission & endoscopic improvement in active UC and is associated with distinct microbial changes that relate to outcome.

	Faecal microbiota transplantation (n=41)	Placebo (n=40)	Risk ratio (95% CI)	p value
Primary outcome				
Steroid-free clinical remission and endoscopic remission or response*	11 (27%)	3 (8%)	3-6 (1-1-11-9)	0.021
Secondary outcomes				
Steroid-free clinical remission†	18 (44%)	8 (20%)	2-2 (1-1-4-5)	0.021
Steroid-free clinical response‡	22 (54%)	9 (23%)	2-4 (1-3-4-5)	0.004
Steroid-free endoscopic remission§	5 (12%)	3 (8%)	1-6 (0-4-6-4)	0.48
Steroid-free endoscopic response¶	13 (32%)	4 (10%)	3-2 (1-1-8-9)	0.016

<sup>\*</sup>Total Mayo score ≤ 2, with all subscores ≤ 1, and ≥ 1 point reduction from baseline in endoscopy subscore. †Combined Mayo subscores of ≤ 1 for rectal bleeding plus stool frequency. ‡Decrease of ≥ 3 points or ≥ 50% reduction from baseline (or both) in combined Mayo subscores for rectal bleeding plus stool frequency. \$Mayo endoscopy subscore ≤ 1, with ≥ 1 point reduction from baseline.

## Table 2: Primary and secondary outcomes at week 8

