

Single-center, open-label, randomized, active-controlled pilot study.

Adult patients with moderately active UC were randomized to prednisolone 40mg daily (tapered by 5 mg/week) or tofacitinib (10mg twice daily) for 8 weeks.

Primary endpoint: Composite remission (defined as total Mayo clinic score ≤ 2 , with endoscopic subscore of 0 and calprotectin $<100\text{mcg/g}$) at 8 weeks.

Results: N=78

- At week 8, composite endpoint was met in 16.28% TOFA vs 8.57% PREDNI groups, OR 2.07, 95%CI 0.49-8.70; $p=0.31$
- Clinical remission at week 8: 41.86% TOFA vs 37.14% PREDNI ($p=0.67$)
- Time to symptomatic remission, biomarker remission, endoscopic remission and composite of symptomatic+ biomarker did not differ statistically among groups

Conclusion:

In patients with moderately active ulcerative colitis, there was no difference in the efficacy and safety of tofacitinib and oral prednisolone for induction of remission at 8 weeks

Tofacitinib versus oral prednisolone for induction of remission in moderately active ulcerative colitis (ORCHID): A prospective, open-label, randomized, pilot study

