Does cow's milk protein elimination diet have a role on induction and maintenance of remission in children with ulcerative colitis?

Single-center, randomized, controlled trial.

Patients with newly diagnosed UC were randomized to either receive a cow-mil protein (CMP) elimination diet or to continue a free diet associated with concomitant steroid and mesalazine maintenance treatment.

Primary endpoints: Clinical remission

Results: N= 29

- Clinical remission was achieved in 86.2% of patients, 13 from CMP elimination diet and 12 from free diet, p=0.59
- Clinical relapse within 1st year occurred in 53.8% of CMP elimination diet vs 53.3% free diet, p=1.

Conclusion:

In conclusion, data of this paediatric, randomized trial suggest that CMP elimination has no role in the management of UC in non-sensitized children.

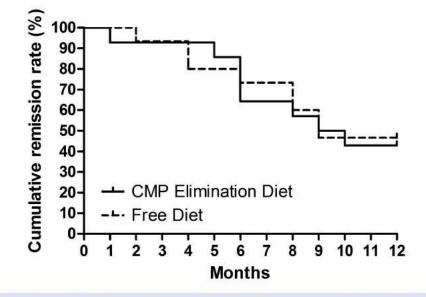


Figure 1 Kaplan–Meier estimates of relapse during treatment on cow's milk protein elimination diet or on free diet (log-rank test p=0.87).

