

Abstract O8 Table 1 Per protocol outcomes, including cross-over (Primary endpoints in bold)

	Remission 10w	Remission maintained to 6 m	Remission maintained to 12 m	Rem. &/or response 10w	Remission 4wk
AB/HCQ	7/27	6/24 (plus 3 10wk responders in rem @ 6m)	3/23 (plus 1 10wk responder in rem @ 12m; plus 1 clin rem but WD UTI)	15/27	8/30
Budesonide	10/34	1/32 P=0.035 (preset significance threshold of P= 0.02 to allow for multiple testing)	1/31	13/34	9/37

(Entocort CR 9 mg/day 8 weeks, then 6 mg/day 2 weeks and 3 mg/day 2 weeks) or antibiotics/hydroxychloroquine (AB/HCQ) - oral ciprofloxacin 500 mg bd, doxycycline 100 mg bd, hydroxychloroquine 200 mgs tds for 4 weeks, followed by doxycycline 100 mg bd and hydroxychloroquine 200 mgs tds for 20 weeks. Use of anti-TNF in the previous 3 months was an exclusion. Primary endpoints were remission (CDAI \leq 150) at 10 weeks, remission maintained to 24 weeks, and remission maintained to 52 weeks. Patients not responding by 10 weeks were invited to cross-over onto the alternative therapy.

Results 59 patients were recruited across 8 sites, lower than target (100) as recruitment slowed due to widening access to biologics. Including cross-over, 39 patients received AB/HCQ and 39 received budesonide. No significant differences were seen comparing AB/HCQ with budesonide at 10, 24 or 52 weeks on either intention-to-treat or per protocol analysis (see table 1). Withdrawals by 10 weeks due to adverse events were seen in 16 AB/HCQ and 7 budesonide. When patients on AB/HCQ who responded at 10 weeks and later remitted were included, 9/24 patients were in remission at 24 weeks and 4/23 at 52 weeks. No correlation was seen between response to AB/HCQ and ASCA/OmpC status.

Conclusions The long term remissions seen with AB/HCQ are encouraging and justify a phase 3 study.

unknown. This pilot trial aimed to identify the optimal route of administration to further test in an RCT.

Methods In this prospective, three-centre, open-label, randomised study (STOP-Colitis pilot), we compared delivery of FMT via the naso-gastric (NG) or colonic (COLON) route in adult patients with active UC. Participants were administered 8 infusions of FMT over an 8 week period. Clinical response was defined as ≥ 3 point and $\geq 30\%$ reduction in Mayo score at week 8 compared to baseline. Clinical remission was defined as Mayo score of ≤ 2 , with no subscore >1 at week 8. The primary outcome was based on clinical response and safety at weeks 8 and 12, along with qualitative assessment of acceptability.

Results 30 participants were randomised between March 2018 and April 2019; 16 to NG; 14 to COLON. 8 in NG arm and 2 patients in the COLON arm withdrew from the study before completion. Clinical response was achieved in more participants who received FMT via COLON compared with NG (9/12 [75%] vs 2/8 [25%]; adjusted relative risk [RR] 2.94 [95% CI, 0.84, 10.30]). Clinical remission was observed in more participants undergoing FMT via COLON compared to NG (6/12 [50%] vs 2/8 [25%] respectively; RR 1.89 [95% CI, 0.51, 6.99]). IBDQ and SF-36 scores at week 8 and 12 were similar in NG and COLON groups. Qualitative analysis showed greater patient and clinician acceptability for colonic delivery. There were three serious adverse events (one considered a serious adverse event) in 2 participants in the NG arm, and none in the COLON arm.

Conclusion This pilot study suggests that in patients with active UC, FMT delivered via the COLON route appears to be safe and better tolerated with signals suggesting greater efficacy compared to the NG route. A randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial of colonic delivery of FMT is now underway to determine clinical efficacy and safety.

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STOP-COLITIS PILOT: PROSPECTIVE, OPEN-LABEL, RANDOMISED STUDY COMPARING NASOGASTRIC VERSUS COLONIC FMT DELIVERY IN ULCERATIVE COLITIS

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Introduction Although faecal microbiota transplantation (FMT) appears to hold therapeutic potential for ulcerative colitis (UC), the optimal administration route and dose of FMT is

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NORMALISATION OF CALPROTECTIN WITHIN 12-MONTHS OF DIAGNOSIS IS ASSOCIATED WITH REDUCED DISEASE PROGRESSION IN CROHNS

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Introduction Faecal calprotectin (FC) demonstrates excellent correlation with endoscopic inflammation. In addition, a treatment-decision algorithm for Crohn's disease (CD) incorporating FC outperforms and improves 12-month mucosal healing