



Gastro-Highlights

Helicobacter, Ulkuskrankheit, Dyspepsie












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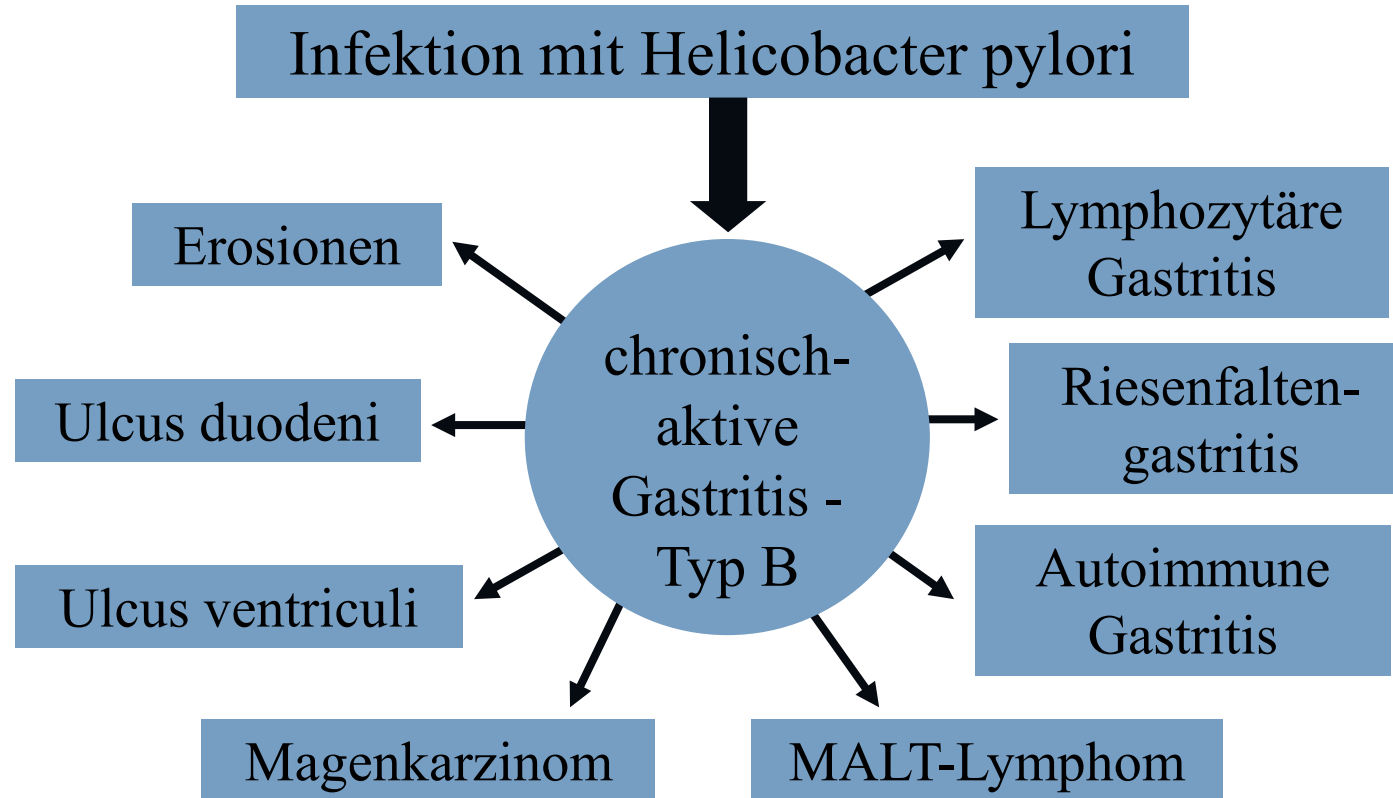
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Management of *Helicobacter pylori* infection: the Maastricht VI/Florence consensus report

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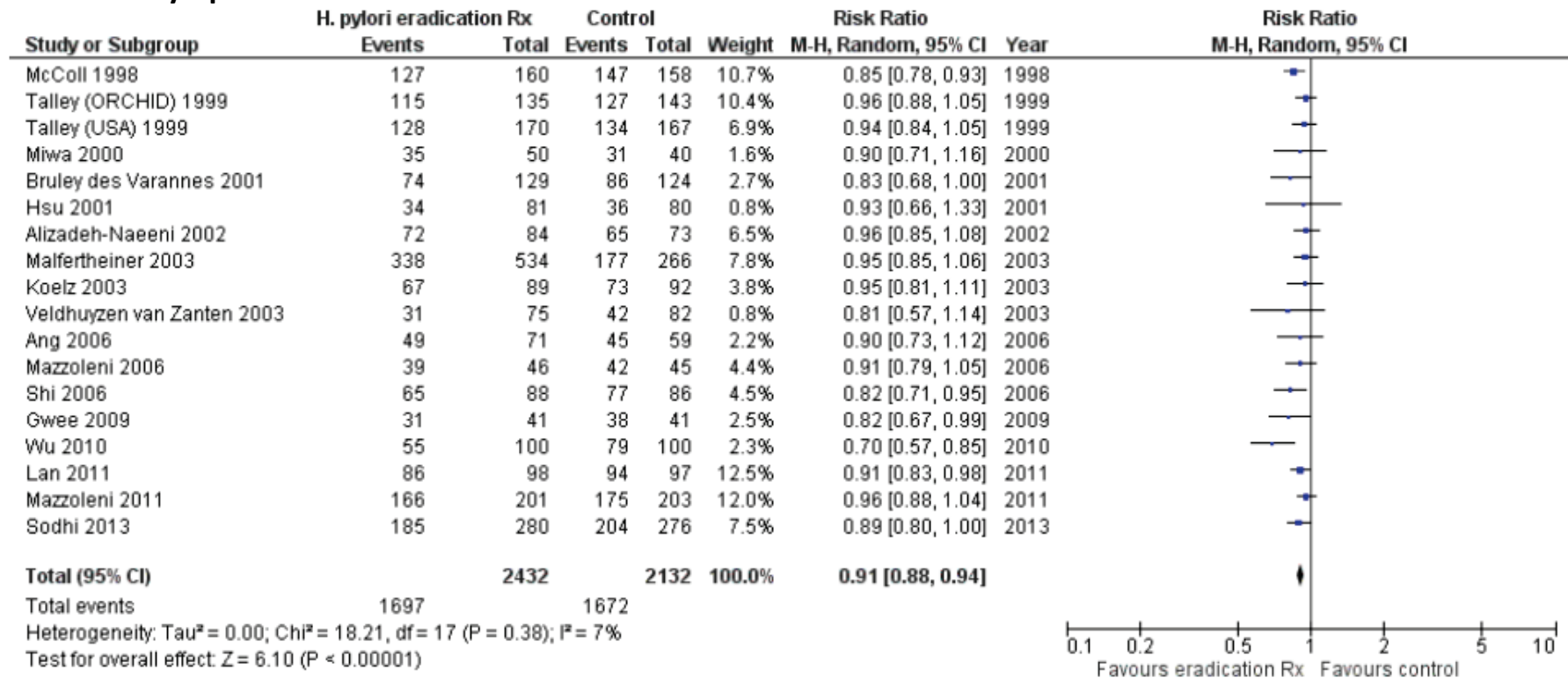
- „H.p. infection is formally recognised as an infectious disease, an entity that is now included in the International Classification of Diseases 11th Revision. This in principle leads to the recommendation that all infected patients should receive treatment.“

Mögliche Folgekrankheiten einer Helicobacter pylori induzierten chronischen Gastritis



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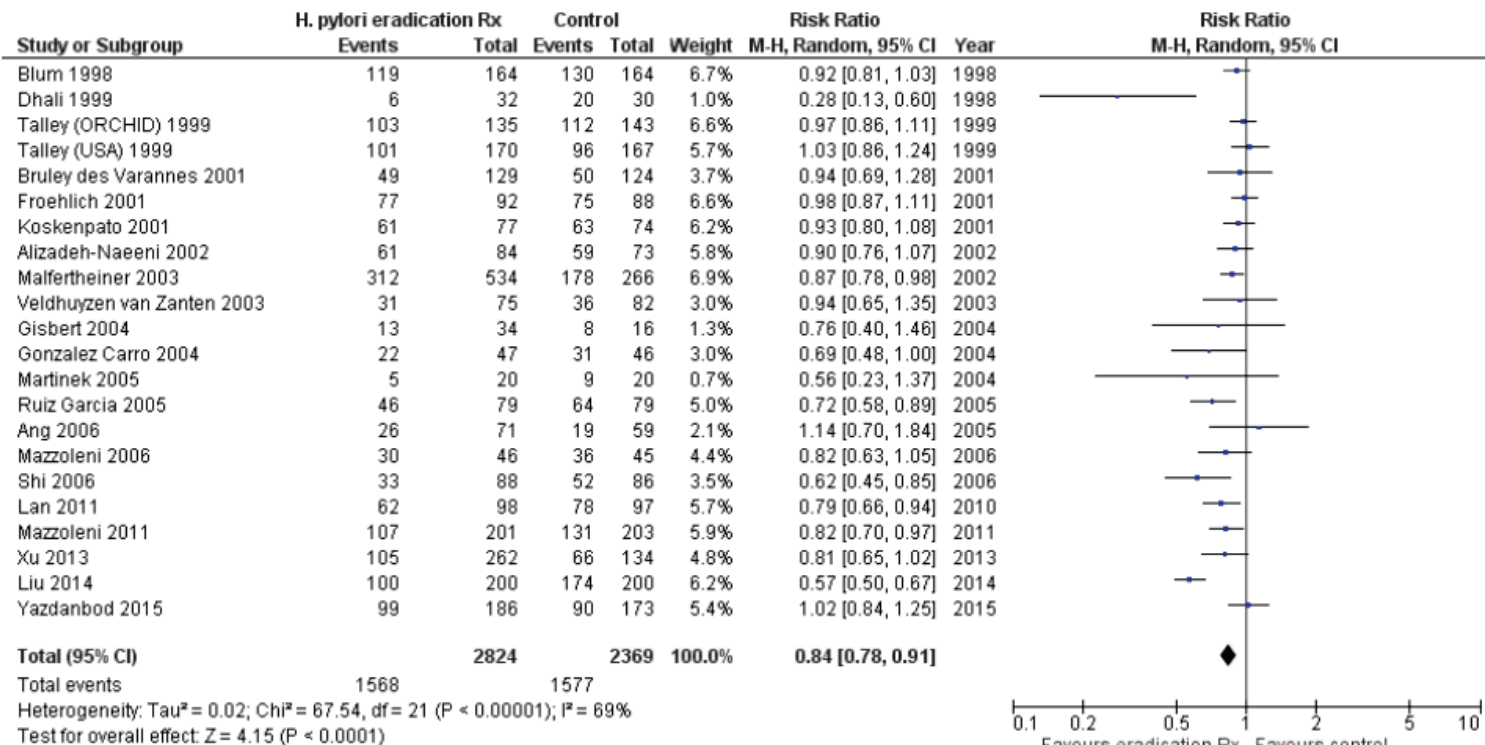
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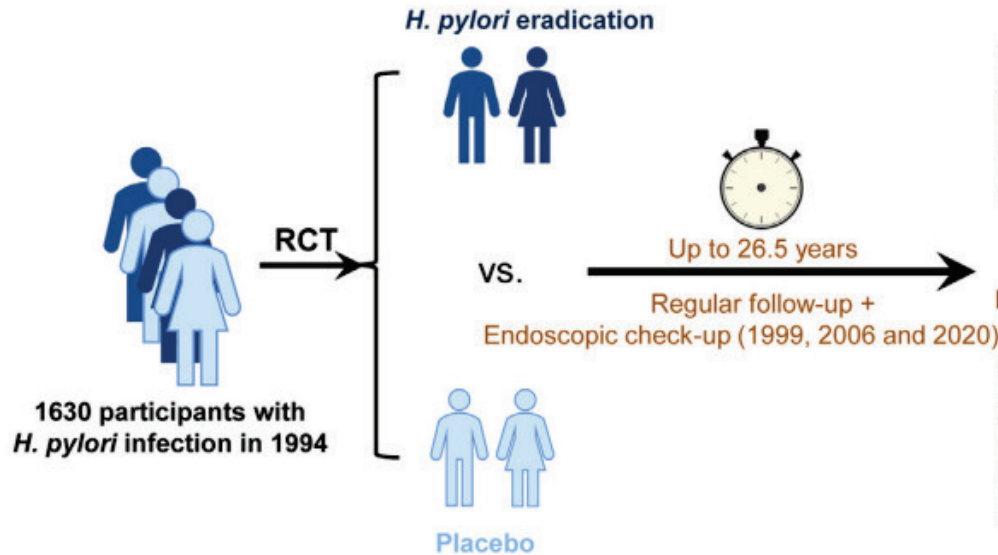
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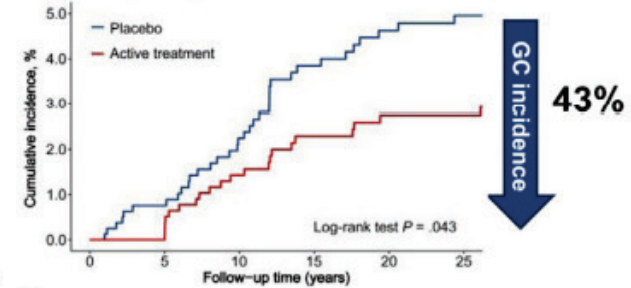
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Effect of Helicobacter pylori eradication on gastric cancer prevention

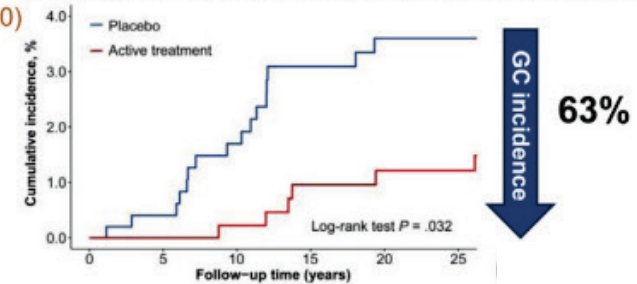
Long-term effect of *H. pylori* eradication against gastric cancer risk



A Overall participants



B Participants without precancerous gastric lesions at baseline



Effect of *Helicobacter pylori* eradication on gastric cancer prevention

Trial group	Follow-up <i>H pylori</i> status ^a	No. of participants	Gastric cancers, n	Unadjusted		Adjusted ^b	
				HR (95% CI)	<i>P</i> value	HR (95% CI)	<i>P</i> value
Placebo	Positive	527	32	Reference	—	Reference	—
Placebo	Negative	47	0	—	—	—	—
<i>H pylori</i> eradication	Positive	133	4	0.40 (0.09–1.71)	.216	0.46 (0.11–1.94)	.289
<i>H pylori</i> eradication	Negative	625	16	0.45 (0.25–0.80)	.007	0.46 (0.26–0.83)	.009

^aParticipants received biannual ¹³C urea breath test for *H pylori* status after *H pylori* or placebo treatment. The final *H pylori* status was determined by the result of ¹³C urea breath test for *H pylori* status at 7.5 years of follow-up or last available *H pylori* status for subjects lost to follow-up or subjects with cancer until January 2002. Final *H pylori* status was available for 1332 participants (81.72%) and was modeled as time-dependent covariate.

^bAdjustment for age, sex, daily smoking, green tea consumption, and baseline histopathology findings.

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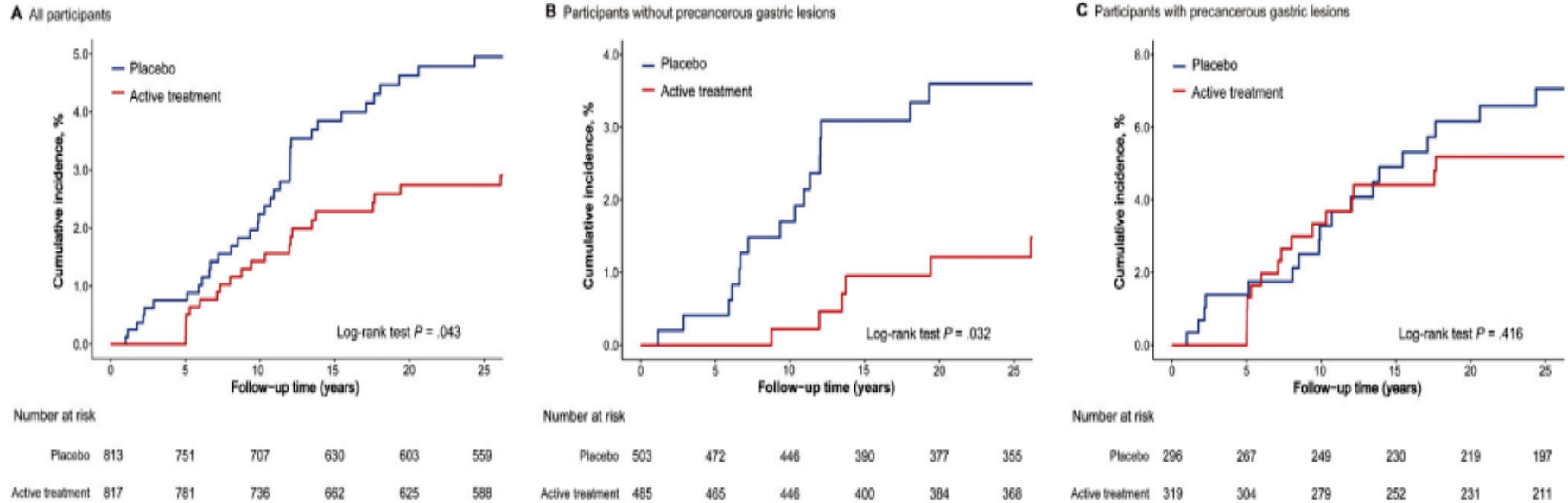


Figure 2. Nelson-Aalen cumulative incidence curves for gastric cancer by *H pylori* treatment arm. (A) For overall participants. (B) For participants without precancerous gastric lesions (normal mucosa or superficial gastritis) at baseline. (C) For participants with precancerous gastric lesions (chronic atrophic gastritis, intestinal metaplasia, and dysplasia) at baseline.

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Causes of death	No. of deaths	Active, n (n = 817)	Placebo, n (n = 813)	Unadjusted		Adjusted ^a	
				HR (95% CI)	P value	HR (95% CI)	P value
All-cause deaths	253	127	126	0.98 (0.76–1.25)	.842	1.02 (0.80–1.30)	.885
Cause-specific deaths							
All cancer	116	58	58	0.97 (0.67–1.39)	.859	1.01 (0.70–1.46)	.958
Gastric cancer	32	14	18	0.75 (0.37–1.51)	.423	0.76 (0.38–1.53)	.443
Esophageal cancer	7	3	4	0.73 (0.16–3.28)	.685	0.76 (0.17–3.42)	.722
Liver cancer	26	15	11	1.32 (0.61–2.88)	.484	1.37 (0.63–3.00)	.429
Lung cancer	24	12	12	0.97 (0.44–2.15)	.935	1.06 (0.48–2.38)	.880
Other cancers	27	14	13	1.04 (0.49–2.21)	.919	1.06 (0.50–2.26)	.878
Cardiovascular diseases	51	25	26	0.93 (0.54–1.61)	.797	1.00 (0.58–1.74)	.998
Other	86	44	42	1.01 (0.66–1.55)	.949	1.05 (0.69–1.61)	.806

^aAdjusted for age, sex, daily smoking, green tea consumption, and baseline histopathology findings.

Effect of *Helicobacter pylori* eradication on gastric cancer prevention - Should every H.p.-positive patient receive eradication therapy??

- Study was carried out in southern China – a region with a high incidence of gastric cancer
- Follow-up was 26.5 (!!) years
- Significant effect on gastric cancer incidence only in subgroup of patients without premalignant gastric lesions and in those without dyspepsia symptoms at baseline
- Despite of long follow-up there was no significant effect of eradication therapy on gastric cancer mortality
- → Indication for eradication therapy should consider patient age and other baseline characteristics

Maastricht VI/Florence consensus: treatment recommendations

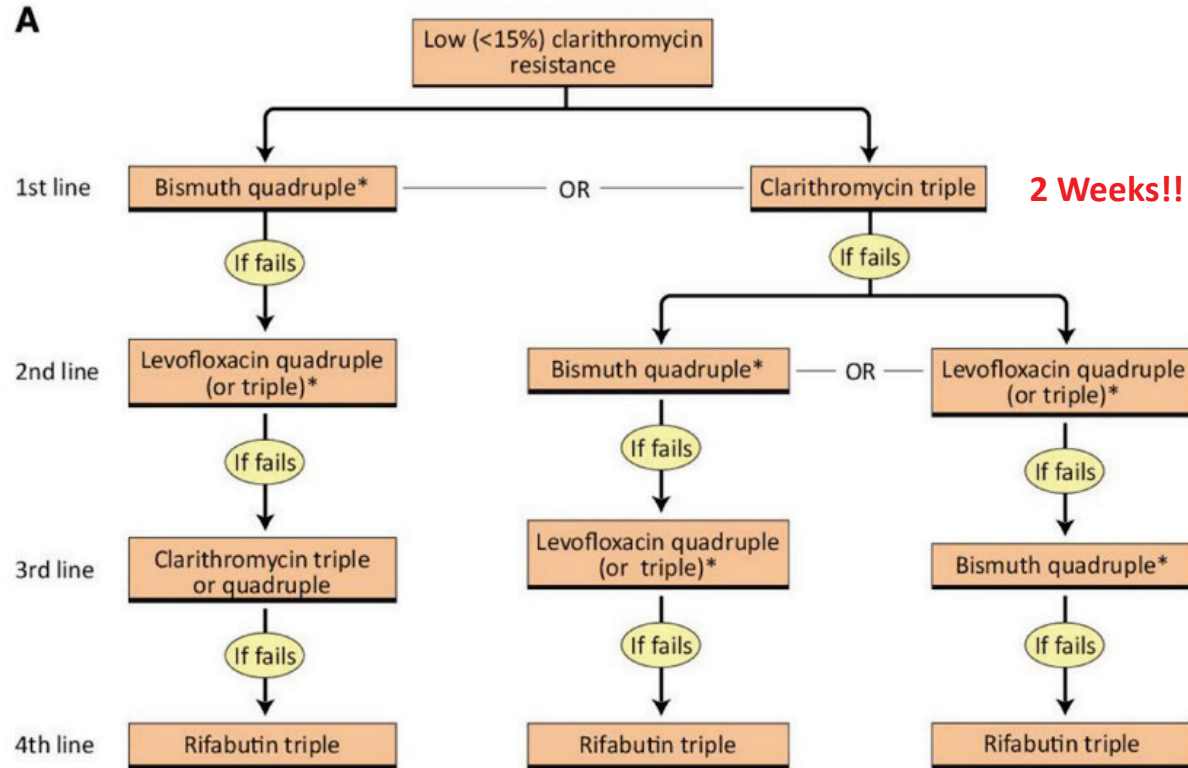
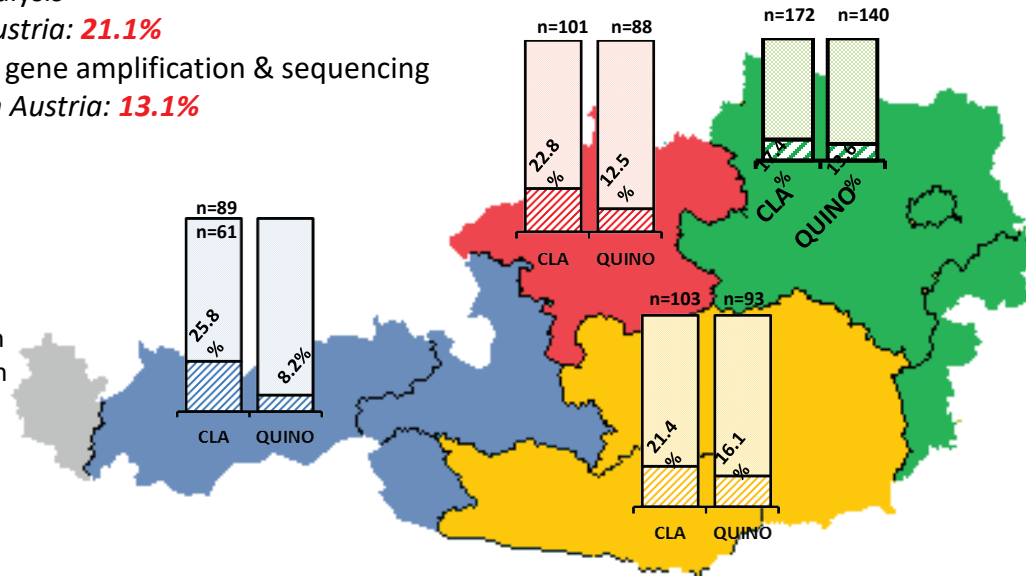


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Prospective, multi-center clinical trial on geographic antimicrobial resistance patterns of *Helicobacter pylori*

- 2000 patients included
 - Histopathological investigation: 515 HP+ (26%)
 - 23S rRNA *H. pylori*-specific realtime PCR: 466 HP+ (90% confirmation rate of histology results)
- Antimicrobial resistance testing
 - **Clarithromycin:** 23S rRNA gene amplification & melting point analysis
Cla res. rate in Austria: 21.1%
 - **Quinolone:** *gyrA* gene amplification & sequencing
Quino res. rate in Austria: 13.1%

- 2 biopsy samples from each patient (antrum & corpus)
 - HP infection in both sites of the stomach **94.5%**
 - HP infection only in antrum **2%**
 - HP infection only in corpus **3.5%**



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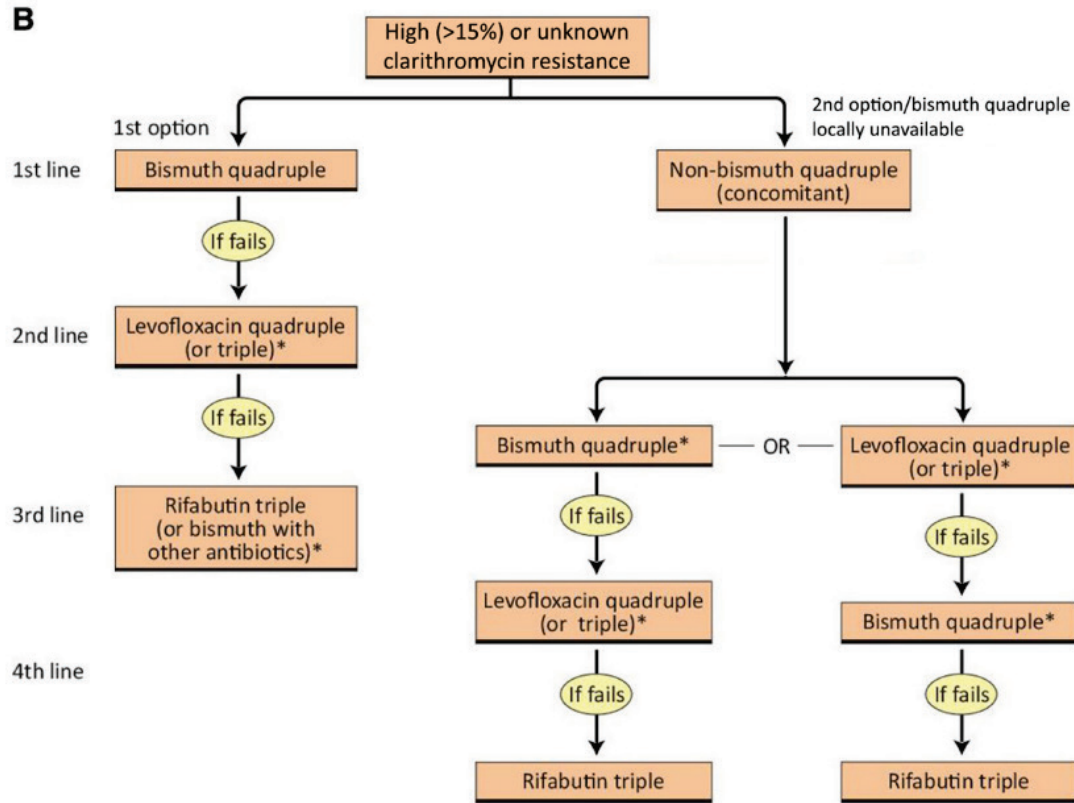


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H.p.-Eradikation 2022 bei hoher Clarithromycinresistenz

Pylera® Kapseln



4 x 3 Kapseln täglich

(1 Kapsel = 140mg Bismuth
subcitrat,

125mg Metronidazol,

125mg Tetracyclin)

plus

PPI 2 x 1

Therapiedauer: 10 Tage

Amoxicillin 2 x 1000 mg

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Therapiedauer: 14 Tage

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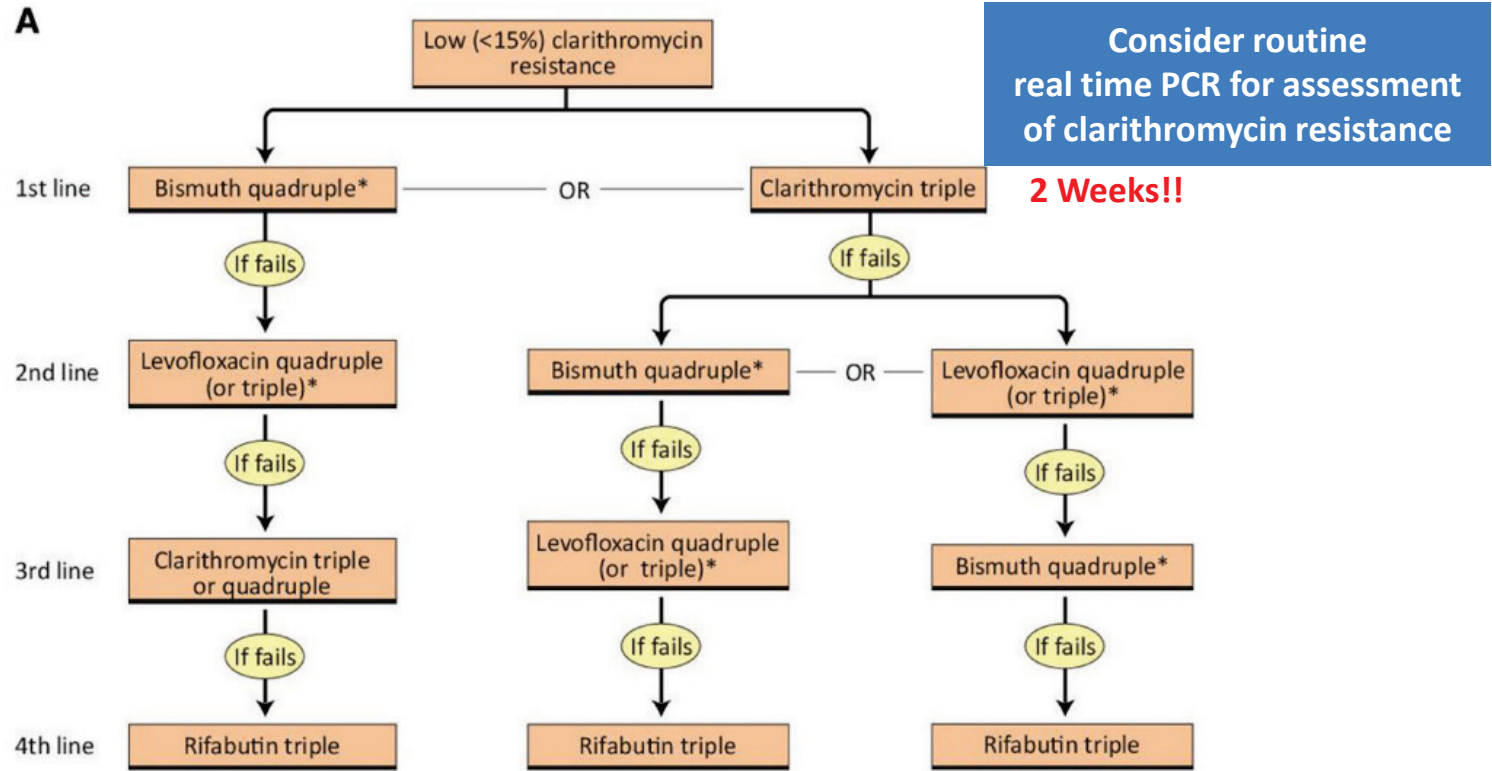
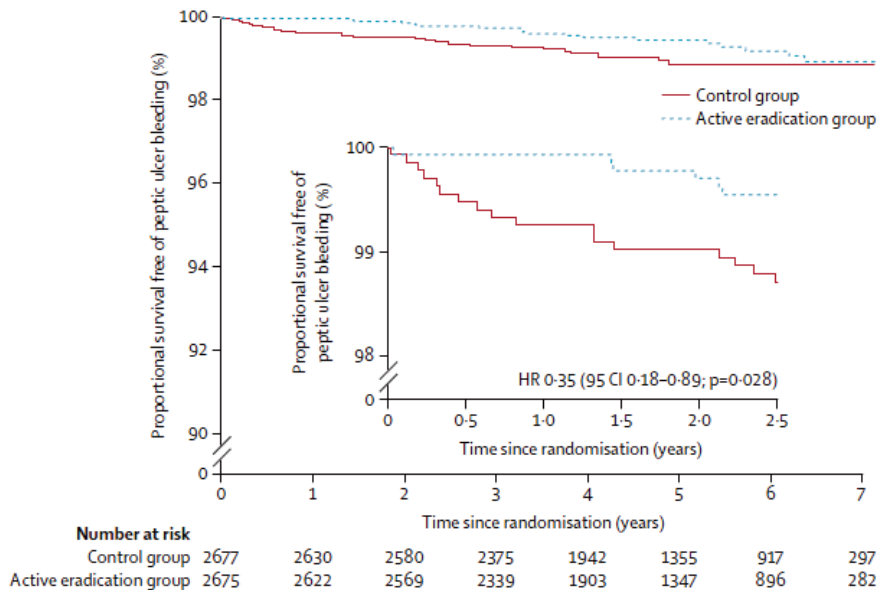


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H.p.-eradication for primary prevention of peptic ulcer bleeding in older patients on low-dose aspirin

- **Design:** double-blind, randomised, placebo-controlled trial
- **Patients:** 5.352 patients, older than 60 years, with a prescription of low-dose aspirin, all H.p.-positive
- **Treatment:** H.p.-eradication (C+M+PPI for 7d) versus placebo
- **Results:**

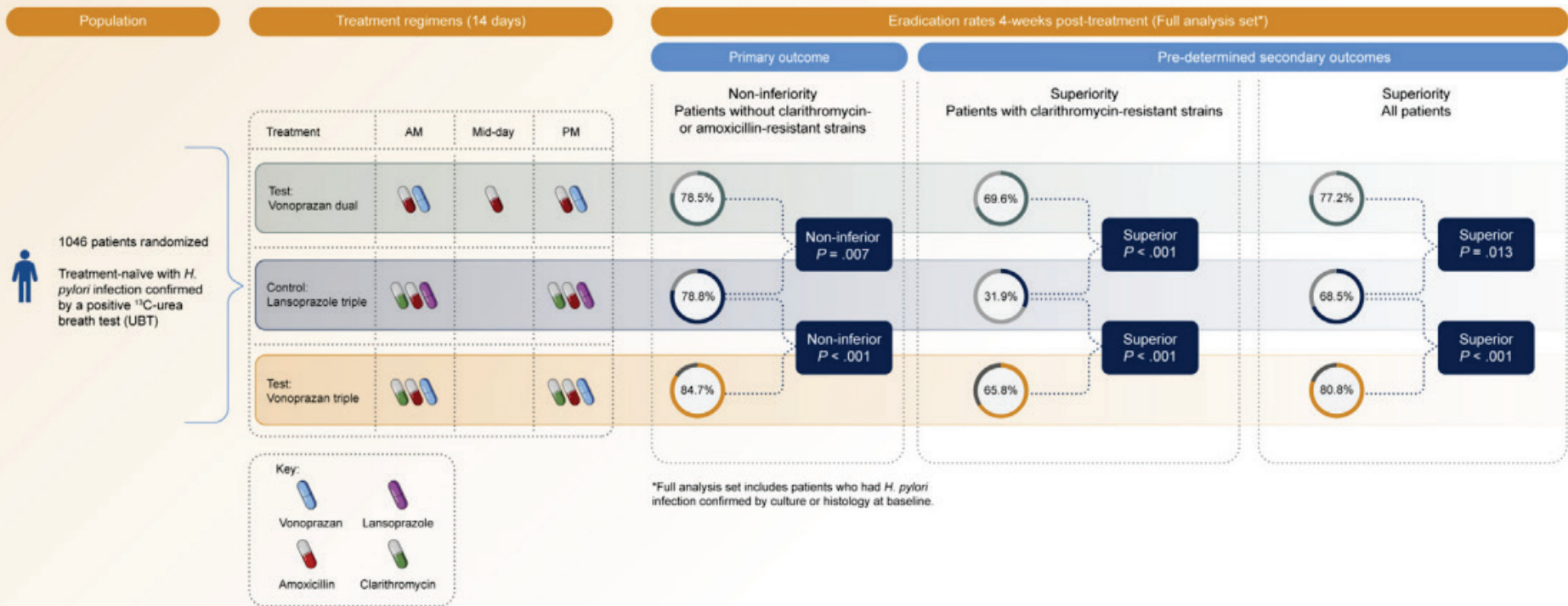


Vonoprazan zur H.p.-Eradikation

- Vonoprazan ist ein „first in class“ kalium-kompetitiver Protonenpumpenhemmer
- In Japan seit Februar 2015 zugelassen
- Vorteil: benötigt keine säureinduzierte Aktivierung; volle Säuresuppression bereits nach erster Dosis (PPI entfalten volle Wirkung erst nach 3-5 Tagen)
- Die Sensitivität von H.p. gegen Antibiotika hängt vom pH-Wert ab; daher könnte profunde Säuresuppression Eradikationsraten steigern – dies wäre insbesondere bei clarithromycin-resistenten Stämmen wichtig

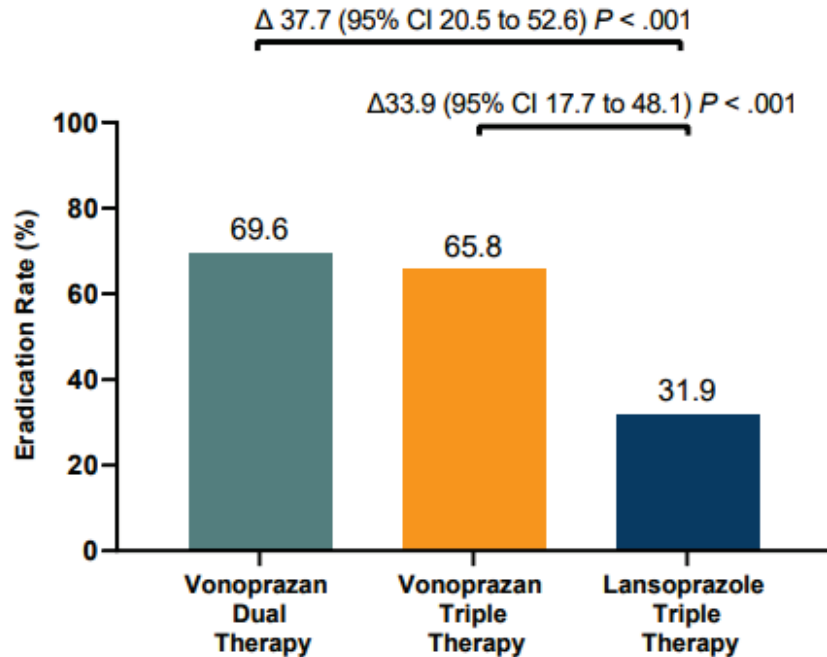
Vonoprazan triple and dual therapy for H.p.-eradication – a randomized clinical trial conducted in the United States and Europe

Vonoprazan in *Helicobacter pylori* eradication: Phase 3 trial in US and Europe - Full analysis set*

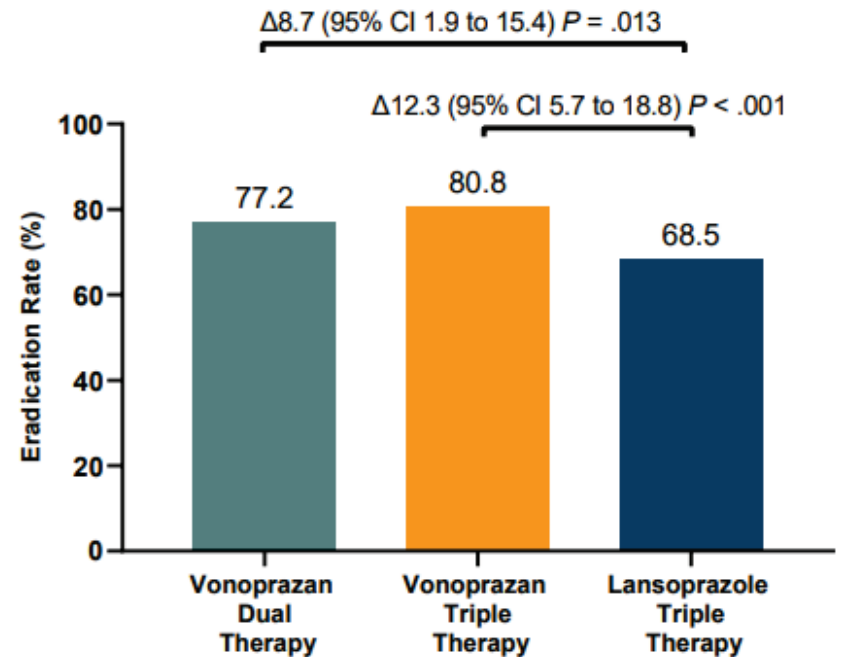


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Patients with Clarithromycin-Resistant Strains



All patients



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Grading of chronic gastritis according to OLGIM

(Operative Link on Gastric Intestinal Metaplasia Assessment)

	IM score	Corpus			
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Antrum (including incisura angularis)	No IM (score 0)	Stage 0	Stage I	Stage II	Stage II
	Mild IM (score 1)	Stage I	Stage I	Stage II	Stage III
	Moderate IM (score 2)	Stage II	Stage II	Stage III	Stage IV
	Severe IM (score 3)	Stage III	Stage III	Stage IV	Stage IV

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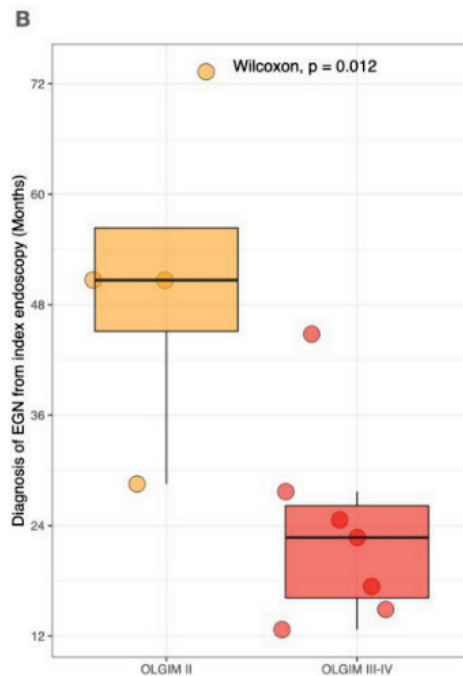
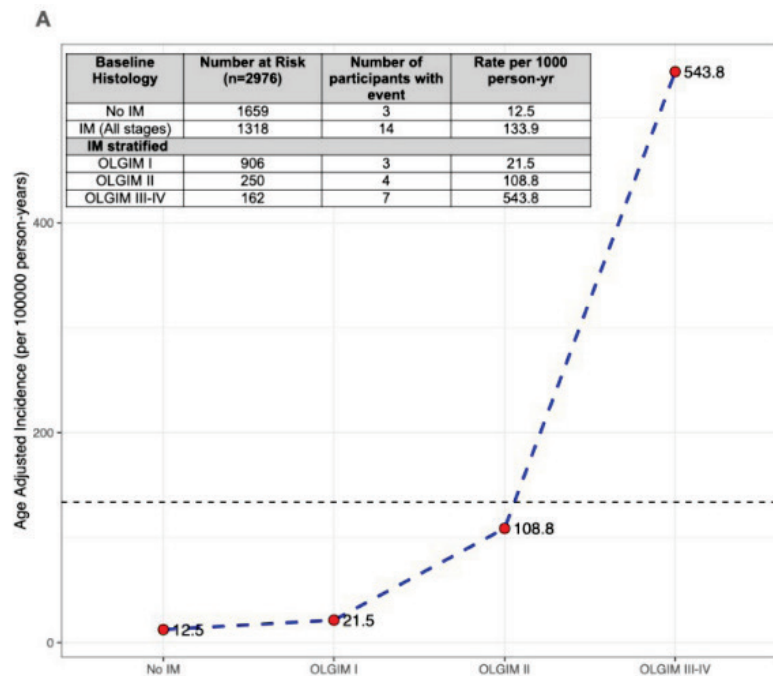
OLGIM I/II:
Low risk of gastric cancer

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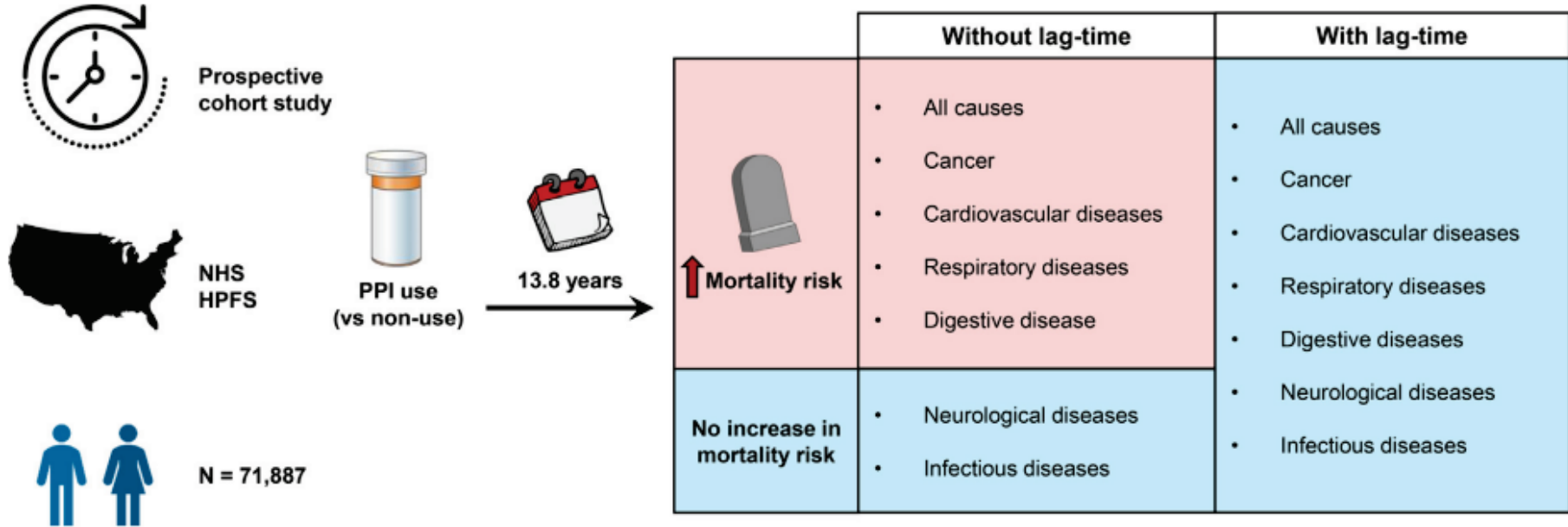
Severity of gastric intestinal metaplasia predicts gastric cancer risk

- **Design:** prospective, longitudinal and multicentre study in Singapore
- **Patients:** 2,980 patients undergoing screening gastroscopy; follow-up gastroscopies after 3 and 5 years
- **Primary endpoint:** incidence of early gastric neoplasia



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Einfluss von PPI auf Mortalität



NHS: Nurses' Health Study (2004-2018)

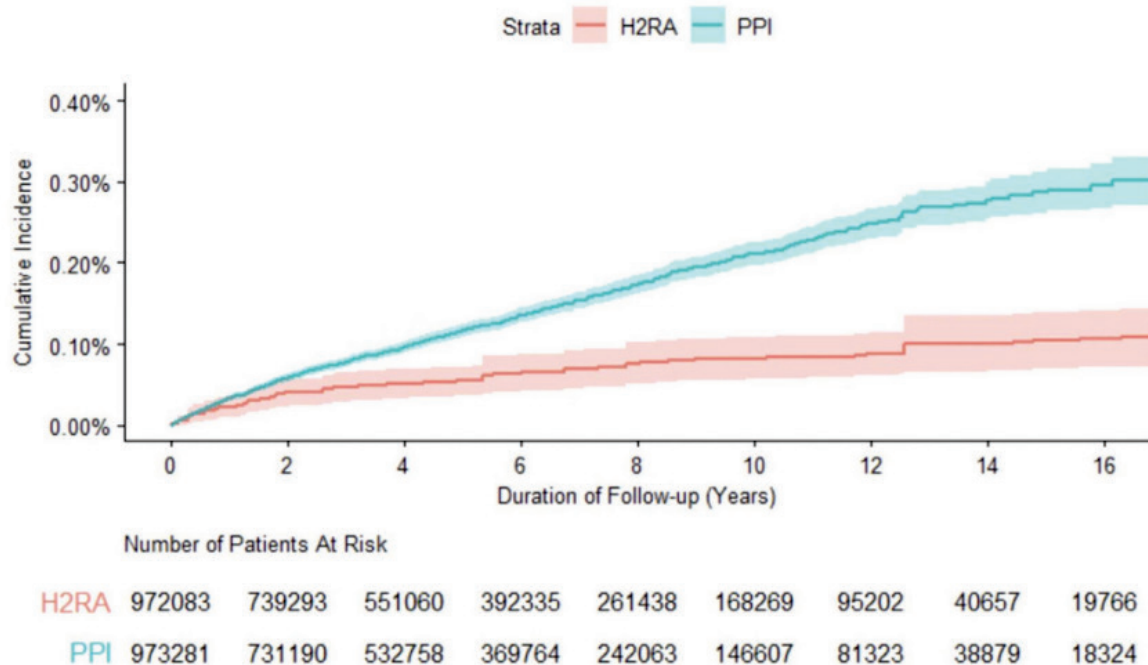
HPFS: Health Professionals Follow-up Study (2004-2018)

Problem bei Mortalität „without lag-time“: **protopathic bias**

PPI versus H₂-RA and the risk of gastric cancer

- **Design:** population-based cohort study using the UK Clinical Practice Research Datalink
- **Patients:** 973.281 new users of PPI versus 193.306 new users of H₂-RA (identified between 1 January 1990 and 30 April 2018)
- **Follow-up:** median follow-up of 5.0 years
- **Primary endpoint:** risk of gastric cancer
- **Results:**
 - After 5 years the use of PPI was associated with a **45% increased risk of gastric cancer** compared with the use of H₂-RA (HR 1.45; 95% CI 1.06 to 1.98)
 - The number needed to harm was 2.121 after 5 years and 1.191 after 10 years

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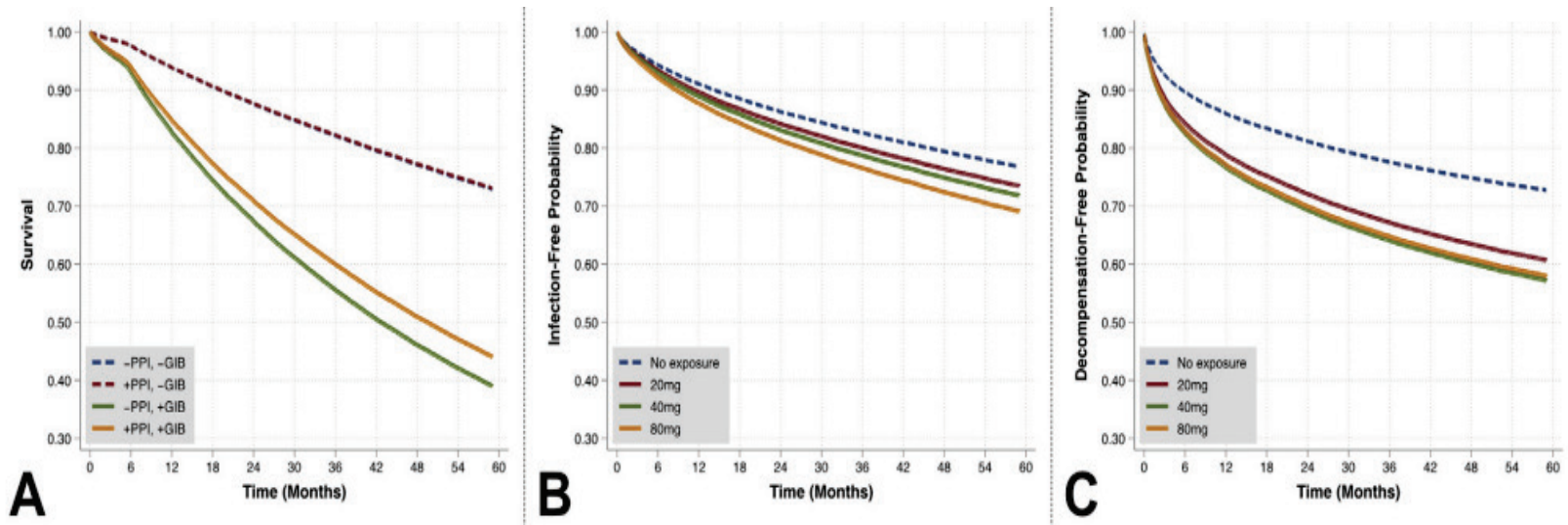
Possible mechanisms:

- PPI cause hypergastrinaemia (gastrin is considered a potent growth factor)
- Long-term PPI use may lead to changes in the gut microbiom and thus contribute to an increased risk of gastric cancer
- Long-term acid suppression may be associated with atrophic gastritis

Einfluss von PPI auf „Liver-related outcomes“ bei Leberzirrhose

- **Design:** retrospektive Studie von Patienten mit Leberzirrhose in der „Veterans Health Administration“
- **Patienten:** n = 76.251; davon 23.628 mit PPI
- **Primärer Endpunkt:** Einfluss der PPI auf „Liver-related outcomes“ (nach Korrektur auf klinisch relevante andere Einflussfaktoren)
- **Ergebnisse:**
 - PPI erhöht leberbezogene Mortalität (HR 1,23; 95% CI: 1,19-1,28)
 - PPI senkt nicht-leberbezogene Mortalität (HR 0,88; 95% CI: 0,85-0,91)
 - PPI reduziert Mortalität in der Untergruppe von Patienten, die wegen GI-Blutung aufgenommen wurden
 - PPI signifikant assoziiert mit schweren Infektionen und Dekompensation

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Endoscopic pyloromyotomy for severe and refractory gastroparesis

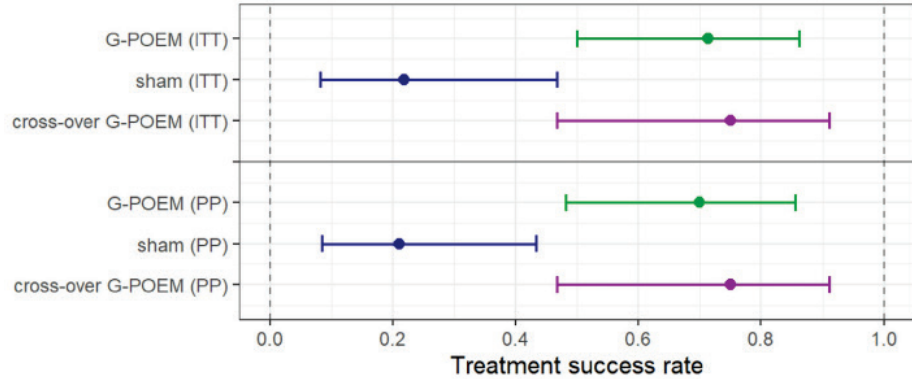
- **Design:** prospective randomised sham-controlled trial
- **Patients:** n = 41; G-POEM (n = 21) versus sham procedure (n = 20)
- **Primary endpoint:** proportion of patients with treatment success (defined as a decrease in the Gastroparesis Cardinal Symptom Index (GCSI) by at least 50%) at 6 months; patients randomised to the sham group with persistent symptoms were offered cross-over G-POEM
- Enrolment was stopped early after interim analysis of the first 41 patients, due to statistically significant results

Table 1 Demographic and clinical characteristics of the patients at baseline

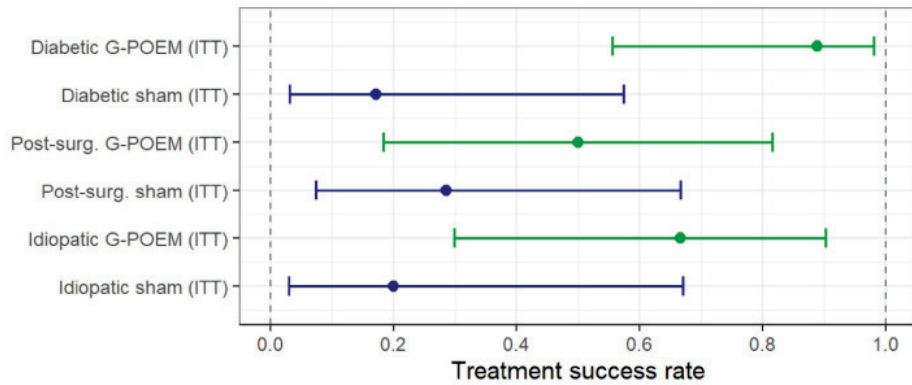
Characteristic	G-POEM arm	Control (sham) arm
Number of patients	21	20
Sex—number (%)		
Female	11 (52.4)	11 (55.0)
Male	10 (47.6)	9 (45.0)
Age—median (Q1–Q3) (years)	43 (30–51)	51 (45–56)
BMI—median (Q1–Q3)(kg/m ²)	22 (19–28)	26 (21–28)
Aetiology—number (%)		
Diabetic; (diabetes type I/diabetes type II, number)	9 (42.9); (8/1)	8 (40.0); (6/2)
Post-surgical	6 (28.6)	7 (35.0)
Idiopathic	6 (28.6)	5 (25.0)
Previous therapy—number (%)		
Metoclopramide	12 (57.1)	10 (50.0)
Itopride	11 (52.4)	10 (50.0)
Domperidone	9 (42.9)	7 (35.0)
Other prokinetics	3 (14.3)	2 (10.0)
Enteral feeding via nasojejunal/nasogastric tube	3 (14.3)	1 (5.0)
Recurrent hospitalisation for gastroparesis-related symptom	8 (38.1)	7 (35.0)
Baseline GCSI score—median (Q1–Q3)*	3.5 (3.2–3.7)	3.2 (2.6–3.4)
Baseline PAGA-QOL score—median (Q1–Q3)†	2.1 (1.7–2.7)	2.5 (1.4–2.8)
Baseline 4 hours GES retention—median (Q1–Q3)(%)‡	22 (17–32)	26 (16–42)
Pre-procedure DI 40 mL—median (Q1–Q3)(mm ² /mm Hg)§	5.8 (4.8–9.8)	5.6 (3.5–6.2)

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A Main outcome

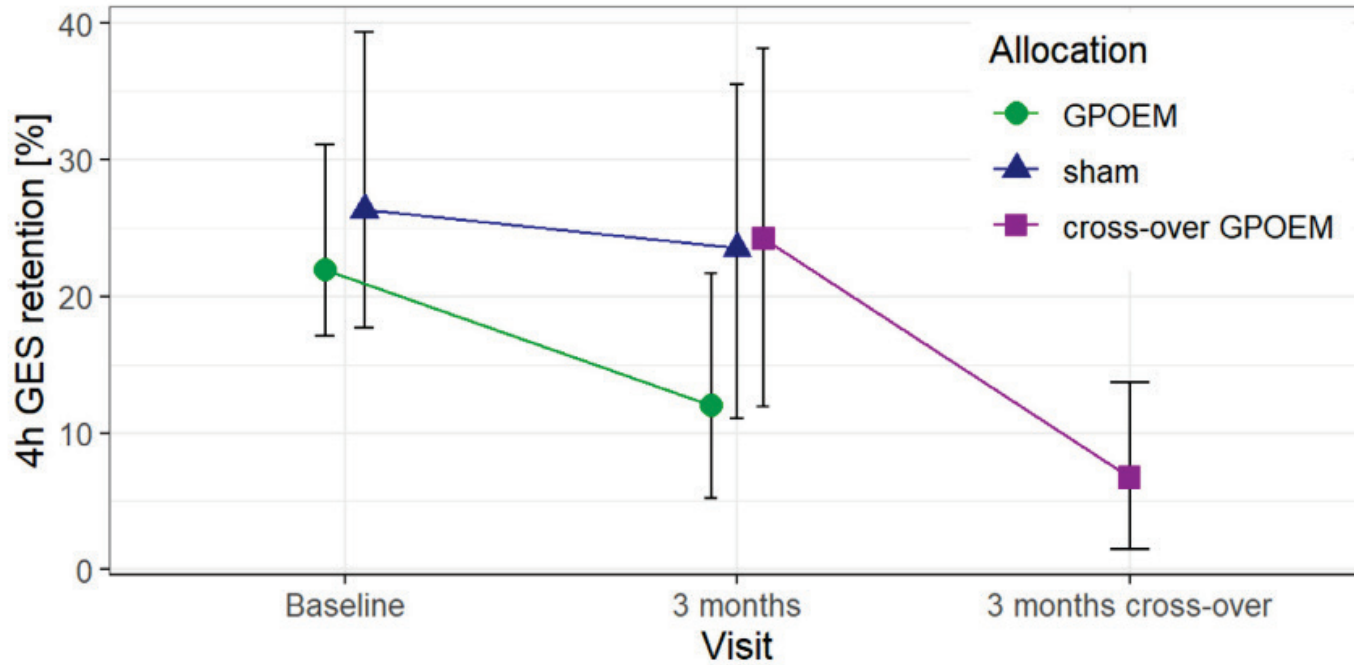


B Etiology sub-groups



- Clinical success was defined as reduction of the total Gastroparesis Cardinal Symptom Index (GCSI) by at least 50% from the baseline
- For the cross-over endoscopic pyloromyotomy (G-POEM), GCSI at 6 months after the sham procedure was considered as baseline
- The trial was not sufficiently powered to assess the effectiveness of G-POEM in the etiology subgroups

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- Gastric retention at 4 hours significantly decreased after G-POEM and after the cross-over procedure but did not change after the sham procedure
- There was no correlation between GCSI and gastric retention at 3 months

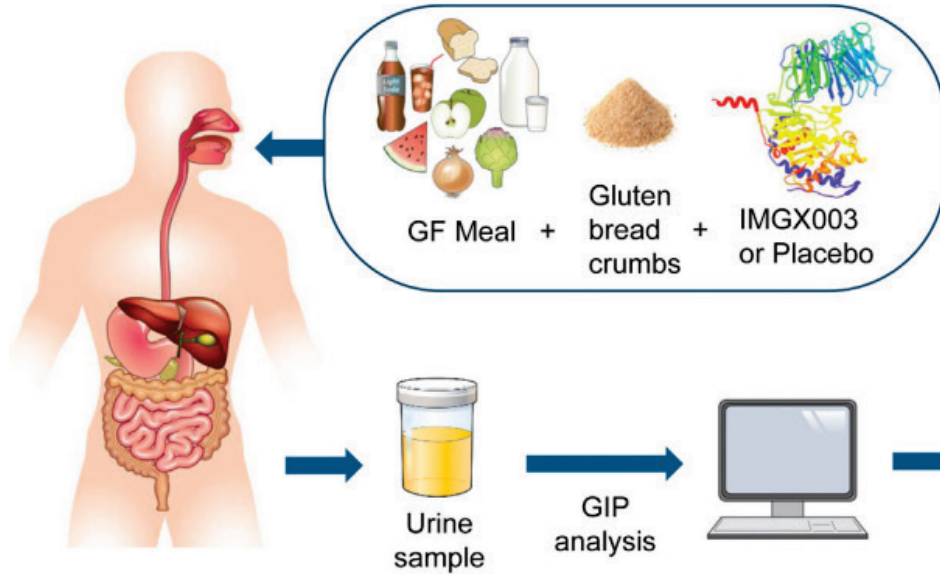
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Neue Therapieoptionen bei Zöliakie - Hintergrund

- Etwa 50% aller Patienten mit Zöliakie zeigen trotz Diät weiterhin pathologische Veränderungen in Histologie mit dem Risiko von Langzeitkomplikationen wie Lymphom oder Osteoporose.
- Die Einhaltung einer strikten glutenfreien Diät ist oft schwierig.
- Präparate, die bewirken, dass Diätfehler weder klinische Symptome noch pathologische Veränderungen induzieren, wären ein großer Fortschritt.
- Gluten-Peptide sind sehr resistent gegen den Abbau durch Proteasen im Dünndarm.
- Latiglutenase ist ein Präparat, das zwei Enzyme enthält, die nach oraler Zufuhr die Immunogenität von Gluten mitigieren.

Latiglutenase zur Therapie der Zöliakie

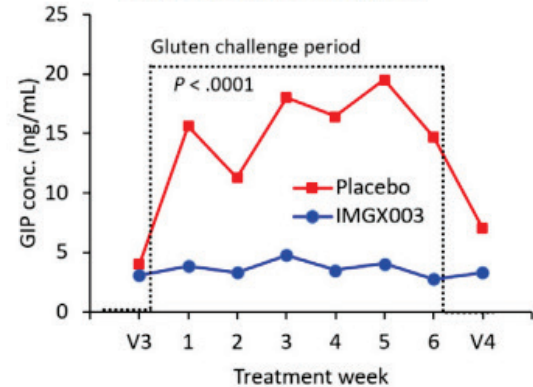
Latiglutenase Benefits Histology, Symptoms, and Serology



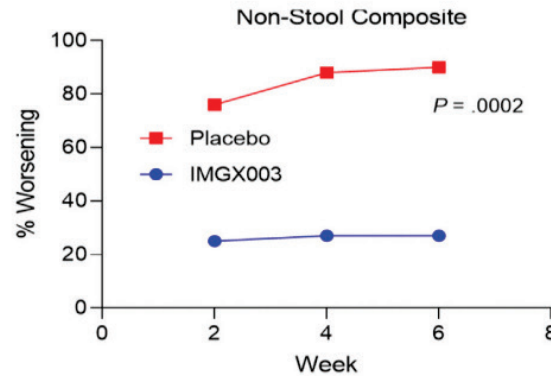
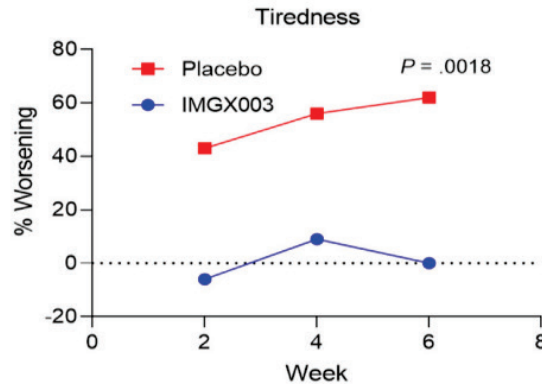
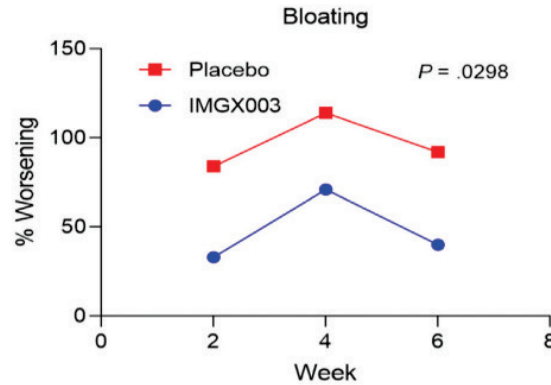
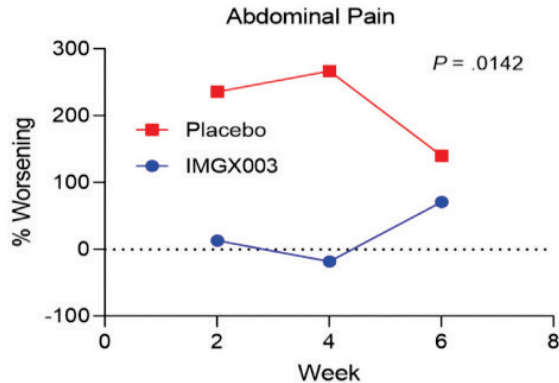
n = 50 patients

Gluten immunogenic peptide (GIP) measurements in urine demonstrate **mechanism of action** for IMGX003

95% degradation of gluten



Latiglutenase zur Therapie der Zöliakie

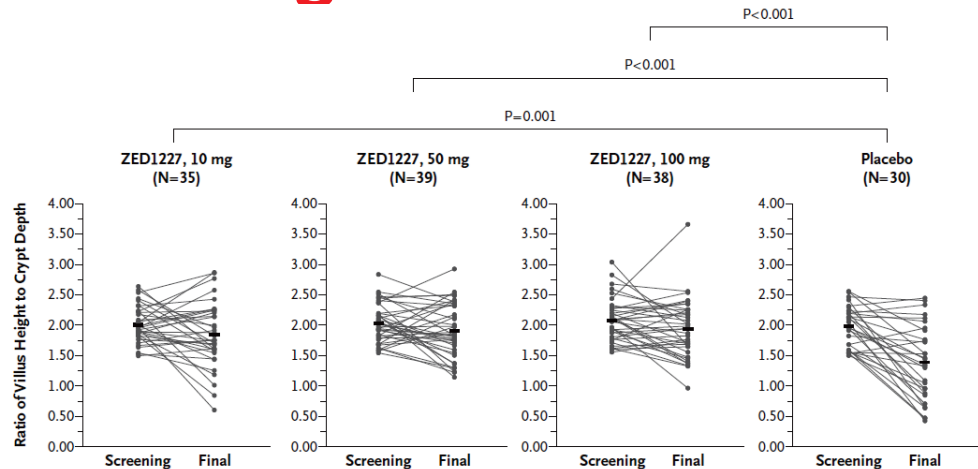


Histologische Veränderungen
(intraepitheliale Lymphozyten und Zottenatrophie) unter Latiglutenase deutlich geringer als unter Placebo

Inhibition of transglutaminase 2 in celiac disease

- **Background:** In celiac disease (CD), small intestinal transglutaminase 2 causes deamidation of glutamin residues in gluten peptides, which enhances stimulation of T cells and leads to mucosal injury. Inhibition of transglutaminase 2 is a potent treatment for CD
- **Design:** double-blind, placebo-controlled, dose-ranging trial; patients were randomly assigned, in a 1:1:1:1 ratio, to one of four parallel groups to receive 10mg, 50mg, 100mg of ZED1227, or placebo, concurrent with the gluten challenge during six weeks
- **Primary endpoint:** attenuation of gluten-induced mucosal damage, as measured by the ratio of villous height to crypt depth.

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Variable	ZED1227, 10 mg (N=35)	ZED1227, 50 mg (N=39)	ZED1227, 100 mg (N=38)	Placebo (N=30)
Ratio of villus height to crypt depth				
At baseline	2.01±0.30	2.04±0.32	2.09±0.35	1.98±0.33
After gluten challenge at wk 6	1.85±0.53	1.91±0.44	1.94±0.48	1.39±0.61
Change in ratio from baseline (95% CI)‡	-0.17 (-0.33 to -0.01)	-0.12 (-0.27 to 0.03)	-0.13 (-0.28 to 0.03)	-0.61 (-0.78 to -0.44)
Estimated difference in ratio vs. placebo (95% CI)‡	0.44 (0.15 to 0.73)	0.49 (0.20 to 0.77)	0.48 (0.20 to 0.77)	—
P value	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	—

Take Home Messages I

- Durch H.p.-Eradikation kann auch in der Allgemeinbevölkerung das Magenkarzinomrisiko gesenkt werden, allerdings wird dieser Effekt erst nach sehr langem follow-up bemerkbar – die Indikation aus dieser Indikation sollte daher kritisch gestellt werden
- Bei H.p.-positiver funktioneller Dyspepsie ist die H.p.-Eradikation die Therapie der Wahl – die NNT ist allerdings 14
- Bei fehlender Resistenztestung ist in Österreich die first-line Therapie zur H.p.-Eradikation weiterhin Bismuth-Quadrupel oder A+C+M+PPI über 2 Wochen; routinemäßige Clarithromycinresistenztestung mittels Real time PCR sollte erwogen werden
- Bei Clarithromycin-sensiblen Stämmen sollte Tripeltherapie über 2 Wochen durchgeführt werden
- Vor low-dose Aspirin Testung auf H.p. und bei positivem Ergebnis Eradikationstherapie erwägen

Take Home Messages II

- Je ausgedehnter die intestinale Metaplasie desto höher das Magenkarzinomrisiko
- PPI sind sehr sichere Medikamente; durch eine Langzeittherapie wird jedoch wahrscheinlich das Magenkarzinomrisiko geringgradig erhöht
- Bei Leberzirrhose Indikation zur PPI-Therapie kritisch hinterfragen
- G-POEM ist eine vielversprechende Therapie bei Gastroparese
- Für Zöliakie sind vielversprechende neue Therapiekonzepte in Entwicklung

