

# IBD

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IBD

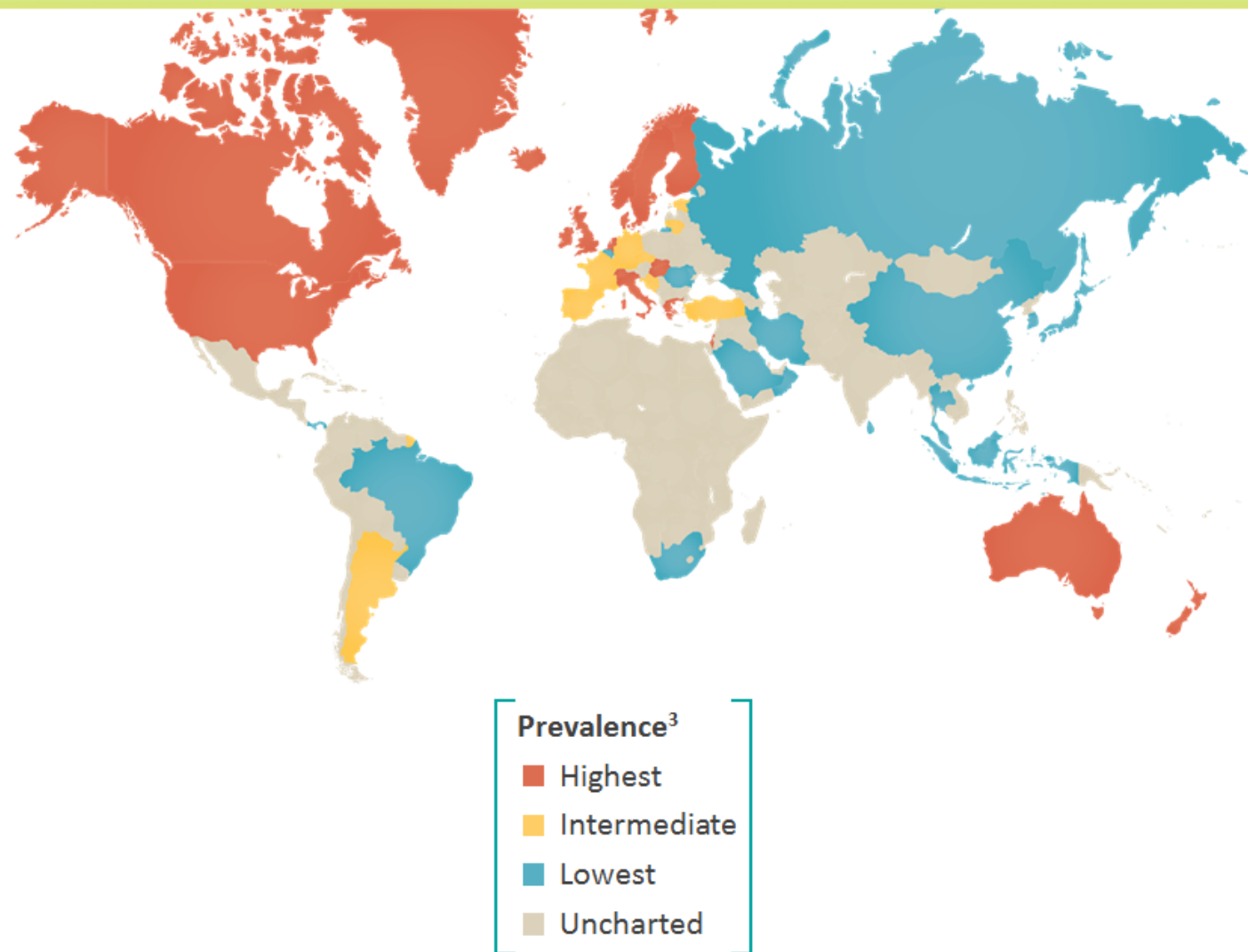
Chronic Remitting relapsing  
inflammatory diseases that affect  
the gut

May be associated with other  
inflammatory diseases.

**Ulcerative Colitis**  
**Crohn's disease**

# ○ The Global Burden of Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD)

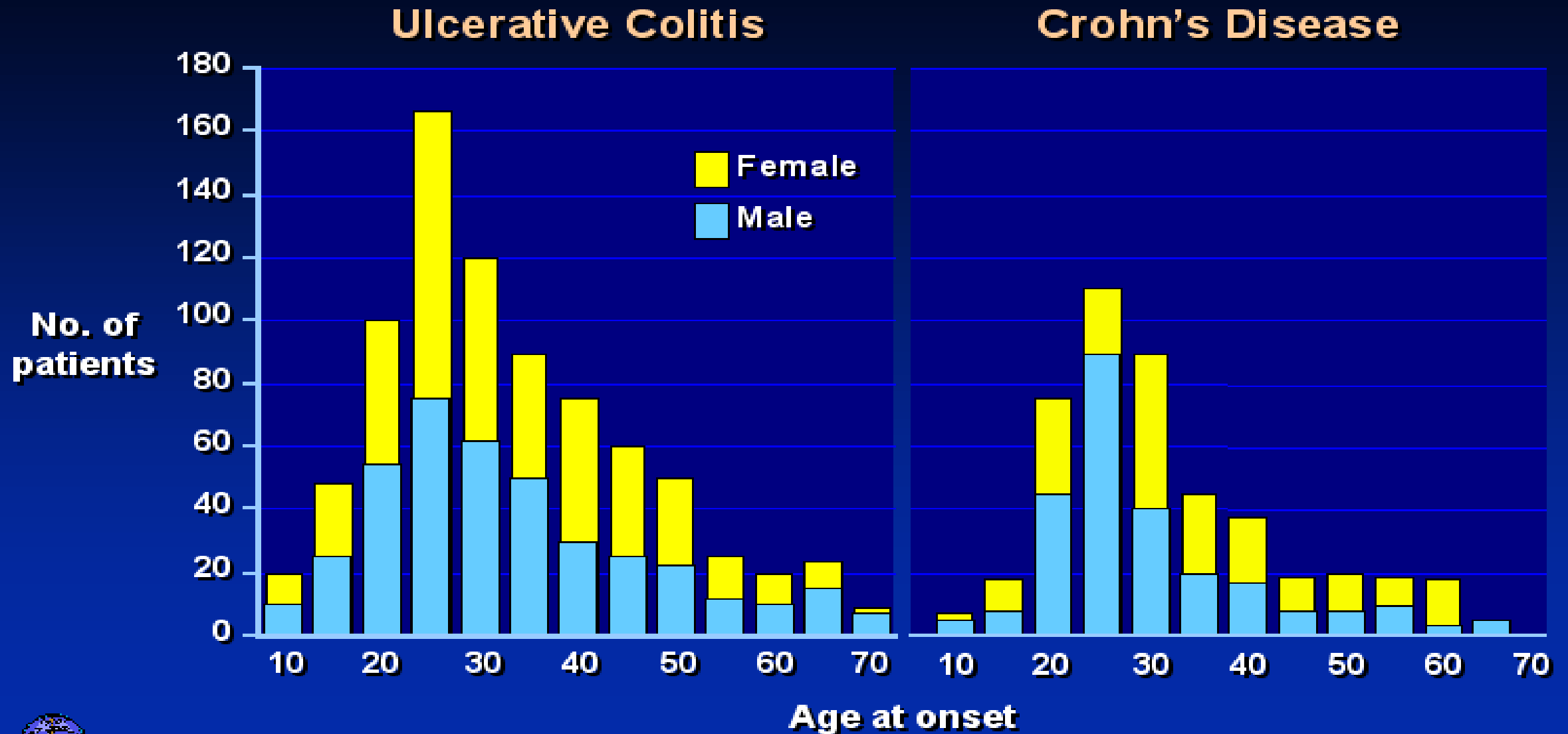
- IBD is a global disease whose prevalence is predicted to increase exponentially within the next decade<sup>1</sup>
- >1 million people in the United States have IBD
  - Prevalence of CD: ~235 cases per 100,000 people<sup>2</sup>



# Distribution of the disease among population

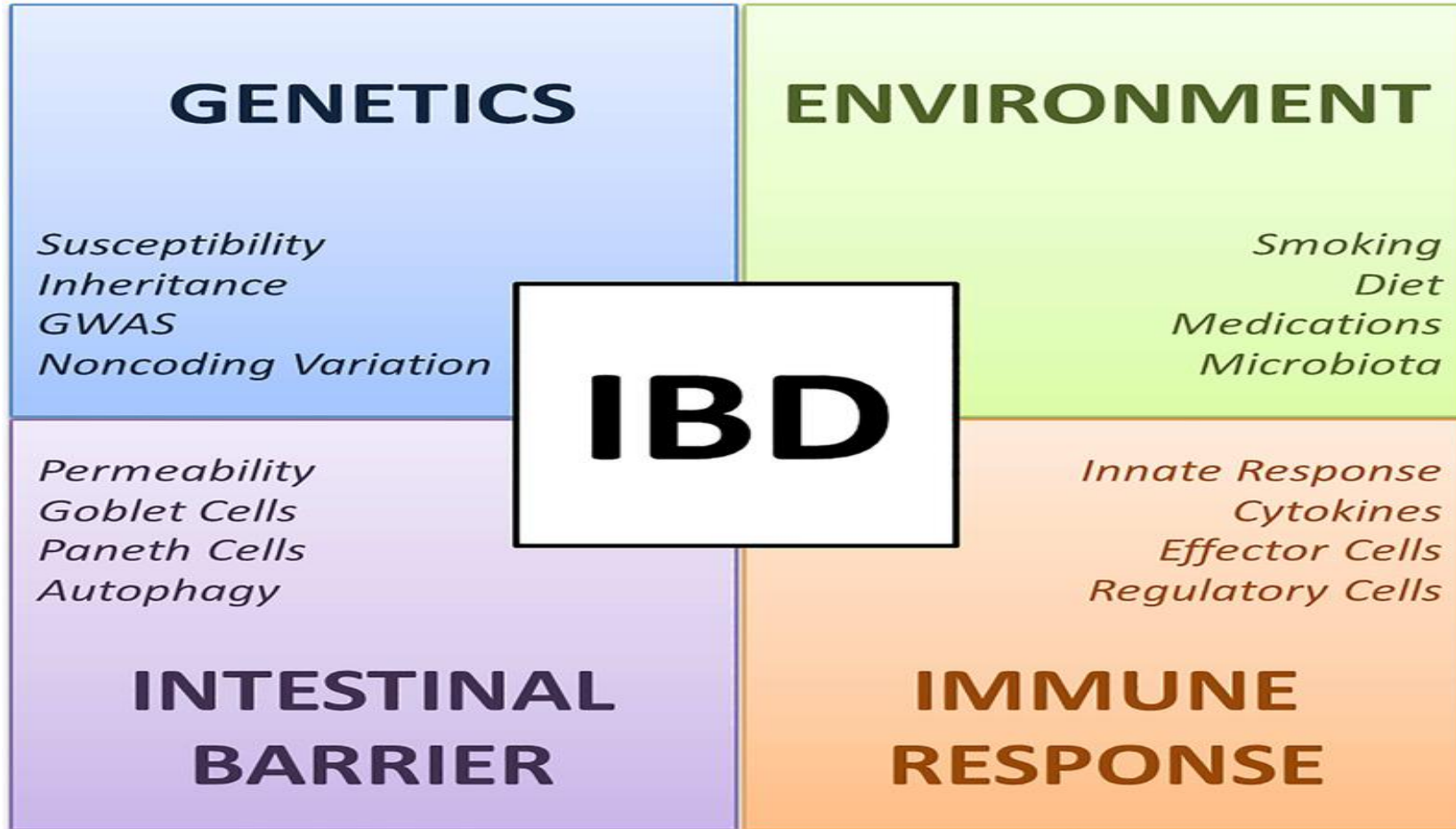
- Age of onset 15-40 years.
- Second peak 50-80.
- Male and females affected equally
- Whites more than blacks.
- Incidence 3-15 (UC), 1-10 (CD)/100,000
- Prevalence: 50-80 (UC), 20-100 (CD)

## IBD - Age and Sex Distribution

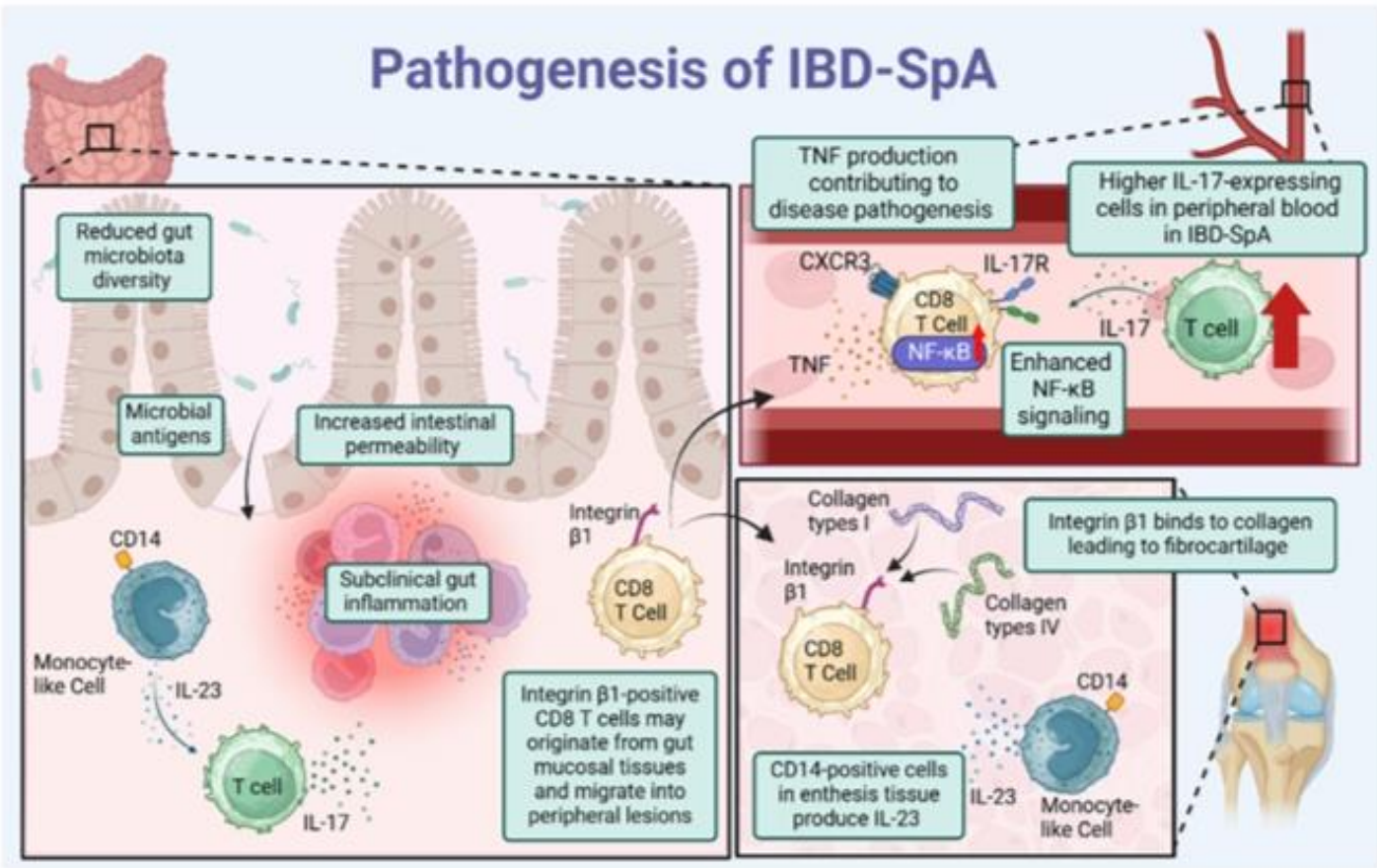


*Rogers et al., J. Chronic Dis. 1971; 24:743*

# Pathogenesis



Infectious  
Immunological  
Genetic  
Dietary  
Environmental  
Vascular  
Allergic  
Psychogenic



**Fig. 5.** Schematic representation of IBD-SpA pathogenesis.

This figure represents the current understanding of IBD-SpA pathogenesis. The disease is thought to originate from intestinal inflammation, which triggers the migration of pathogenic immune cells from the gut into the bloodstream and subsequently to enthesitis sites, leading to inflammation.

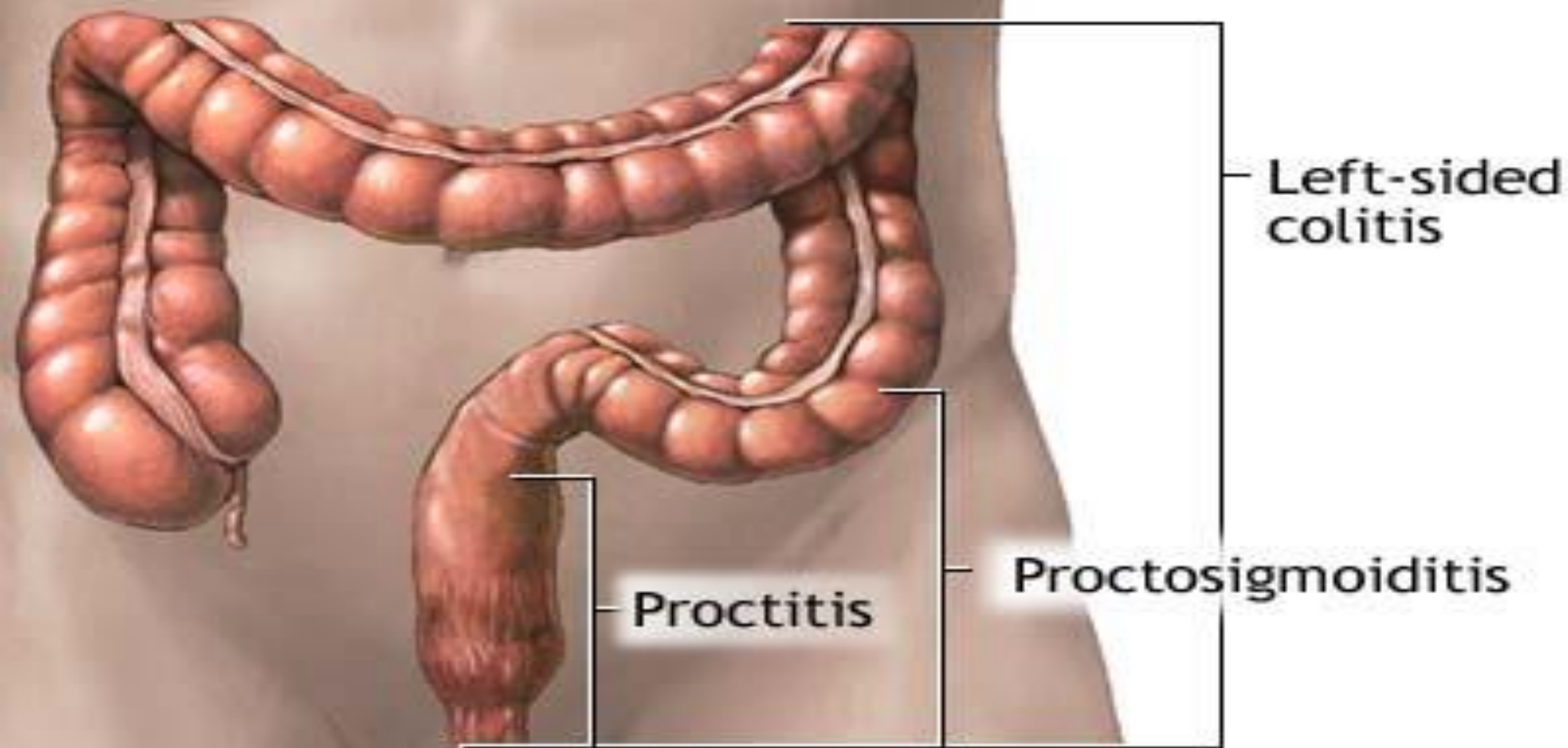
- IBD and SpA share common signaling pathways. Genome-wide association studies have revealed that the **IL-23–IL-17 axis** is involved in the pathogenesis of both diseases
- **TNF $\alpha$**  plays a crucial role in the inflammatory processes of IBD
- **Increased intestinal permeability** is linked to the subsequent development of CD
- IBD are associated with **reduced gut microbiota diversity**



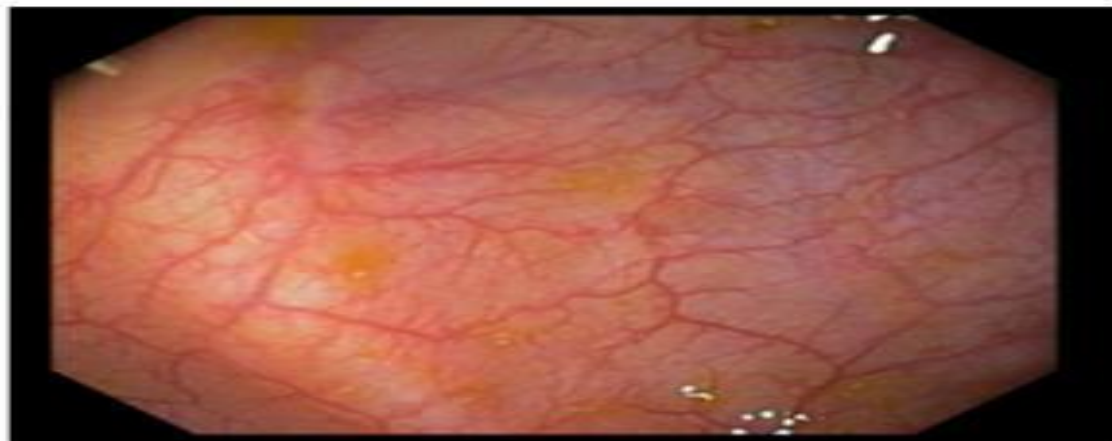
# Distribution of the Disease

- UC : is characterized by recurring episodes of inflammation limited to the mucosal layer of the colon.
- It almost invariably involves the rectum and may extend in a proximal and continuous fashion to involve other portions of the colon

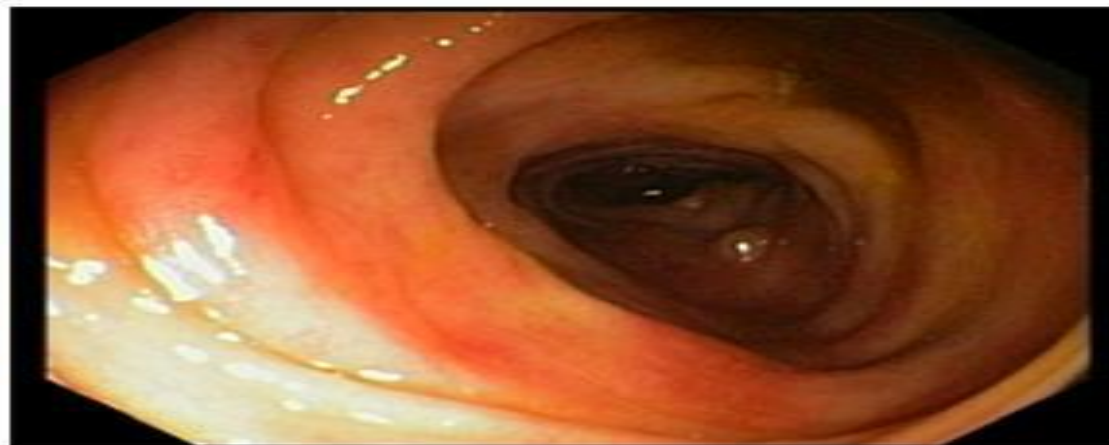
# Ulcerative colitis



Normal mucosa



Mild inflammation



Moderate inflammation



Severe inflammation



# Presentation

A Young patient presented  
with loose bowel motion with  
blood for the last 6 weeks.

**Bloody Diarrhea**

**Tenesmus**

**Urgency**

Abdominal Pain

Fever

Weight Loss

Joint Pain

Skin Rash

Fatigue

# Severity of the Disease

**0-4 Mild, 5-9 Moderate, 9-12 Severe**

Variable	0 Points	1 Points	2 Points	3 Points
<b>Bowel movement (BM) frequency</b>	Normal	1-2 BM > normal	3-4 BM > normal	>5 BM > normal
<b>Rectal bleeding</b>	None	Streaks on stool < 50% BM's	Obvious fresh blood with most BM's	BM's with fresh blood
<b>Endoscopy</b>	Normal	Mild Erythema, ↓ vascularity, Mild friability	Marked erythema, Lack vascular pattern, Friability, Erosions	Severe spontaneous bleeding, Ulceration
<b>Physician Global Assessment (PGA)</b>	Normal	Mild	Moderate	Severe

# Presentation

- Gradual onset of symptoms, sometimes preceded by a self-limited episode of **rectal bleeding** that occurred more than 4 weeks
- 30% Mild and limited to the rectum or distal colon
- 30% Limited to the left colon up to the splenic flexure
- 30% pancolitis.
- 10% present with fulminant disease.
- It is important to exclude infectious etiology and CD

# Diagnosis

- Typical History
- typical endoscopic appearance
- confirmatory histology seen on colonic biopsy
- Radiological assessment
- Serological markers P-ANCA, ASCA
- Routine labs: CBC, KFT, LFT, PT
- Stool for R&M Culture, CI Difficile toxins and Faecal calprotectin



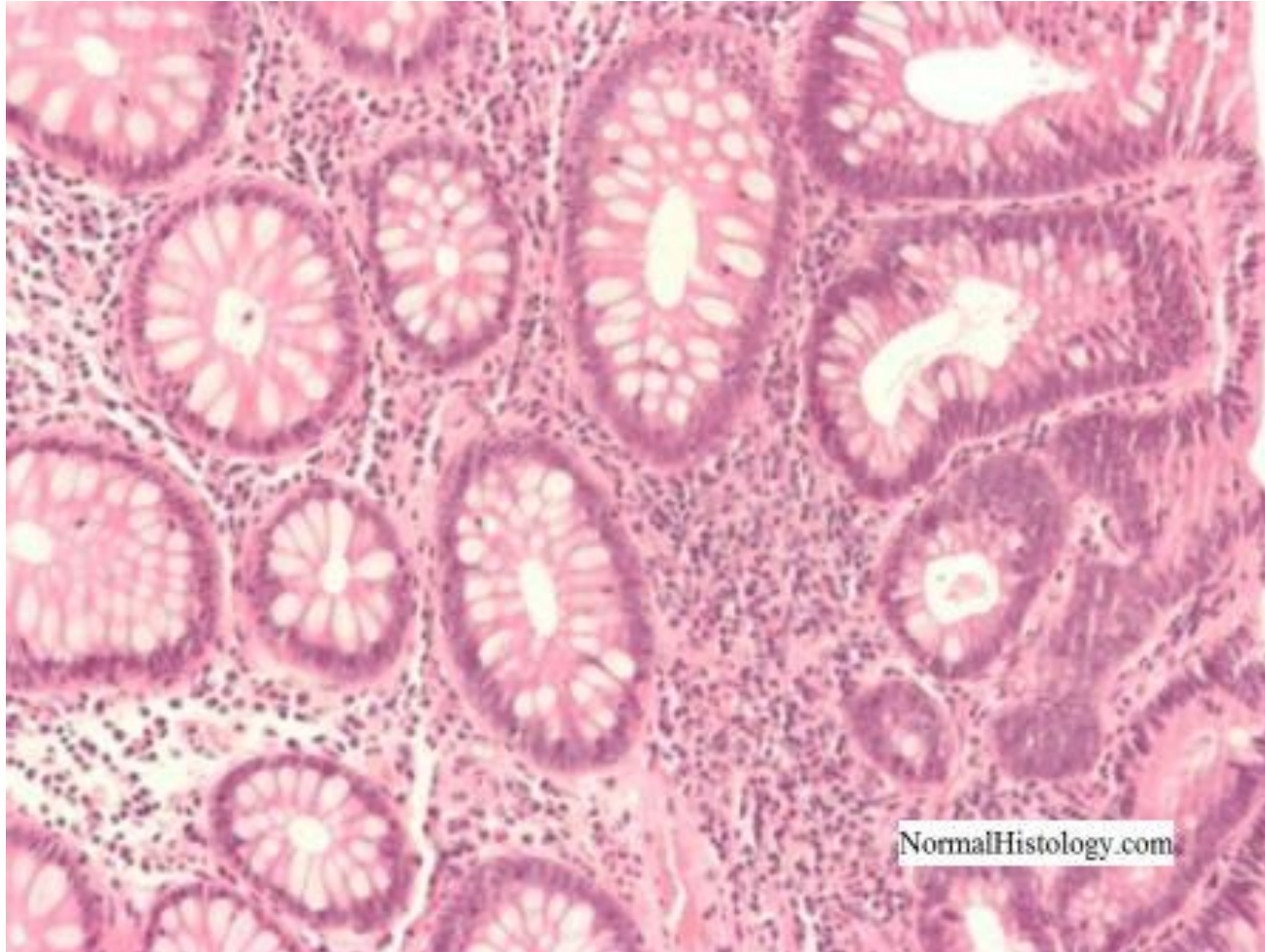




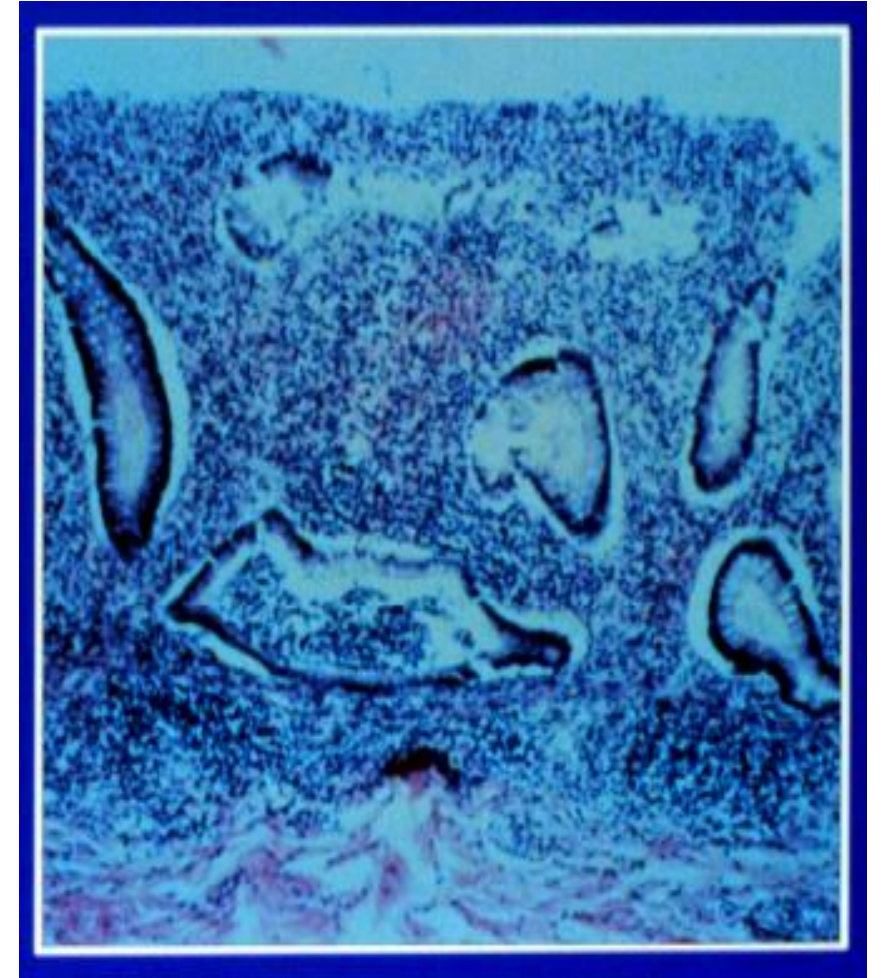
# Histopathology

- Changes are limited to mucosa and sub mucosa except in sever cases.
- There is crypt distortion, Cryptitis / crypt abscesses  
Lamina propria expansion with acute and chronic inflammatory cells
- There is basal plasma cells and lymphoid infiltration.

# Normal Colon



# UC



# Course of the Disease

- the typical course of ulcerative colitis typically consists of intermittent exacerbations alternating with periods of complete symptomatic remission.
- A small percentage of patients, however, have continuing symptoms and are unable to achieve remission
- Relapses may occur even with treatment
- Overall mortality is only slightly increased compared with the general population.

# Goals of Managements

- Achieve mucosal healing and induce remission, Maintain steroid-free Remission.
- Prevent / treat complications of the disease
- Avoid short- and long-term toxicity of therapy
- Enhance quality of life

Colombel JF. Lancet. 2017;390:2779-2789  
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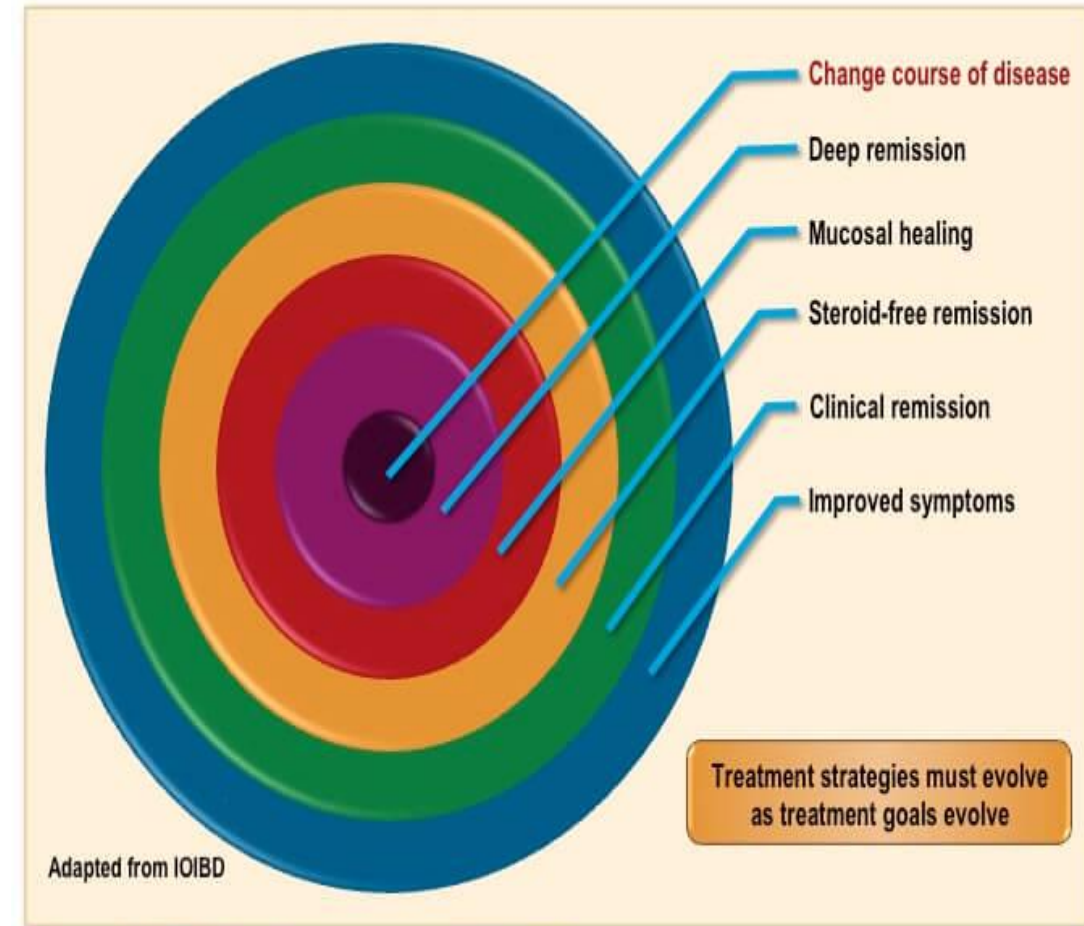


Figure 1. Evolution of treatment goals in IBD.

# Current available Medical Treatment

- Steroids : used only for induction, no rule for maintenance
- 5 ASA : The main stay of treatment in mild to moderate disease
- Azathioprine/6MP: used for maintenance
- Biological Treatment :

TNF inhibitors : Infliximab, Adalumumab, Golimumab

Alpha 4 B7 Integrin inhibitors : Vedlozumab

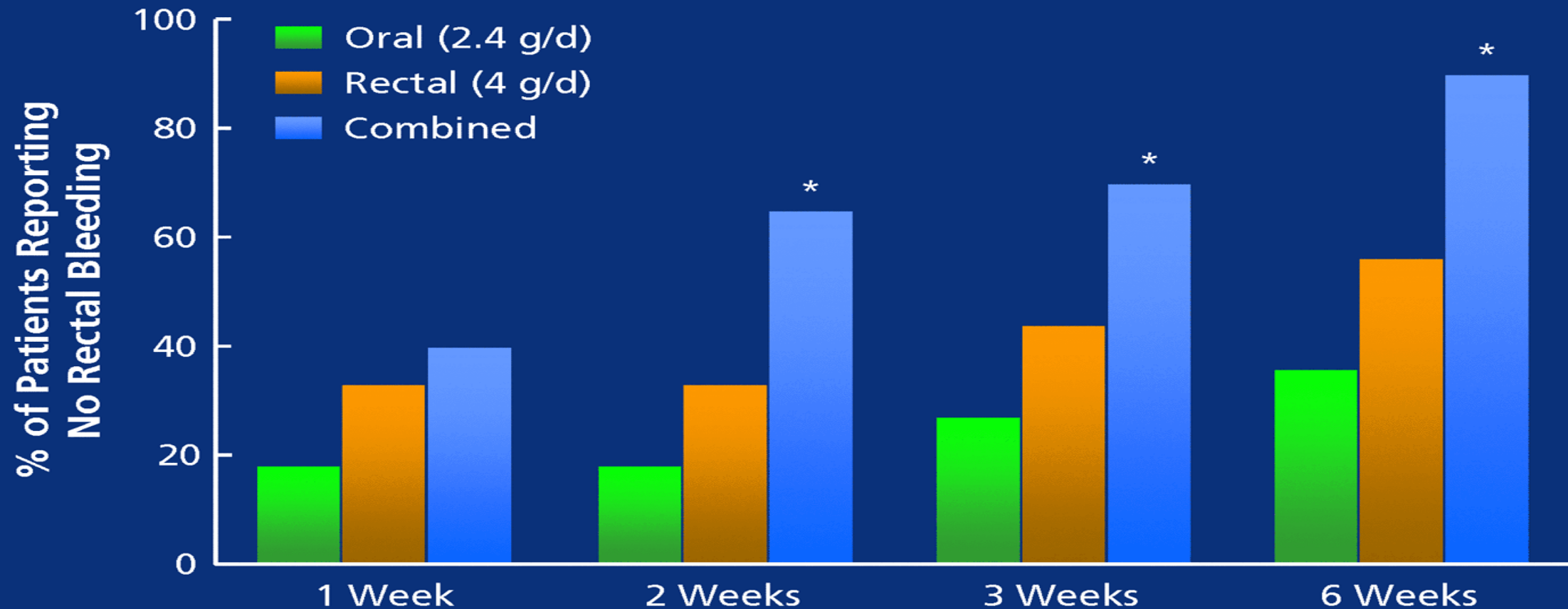
JAK Inhibitors: Tofacitinib, Ubadacitinib

IL 12, 13 Inhibitors: Ustikinomab, Mirkizumab, Gusalkomab





# Treatment of Distal UC: Oral and Topical Mesalamine Therapy

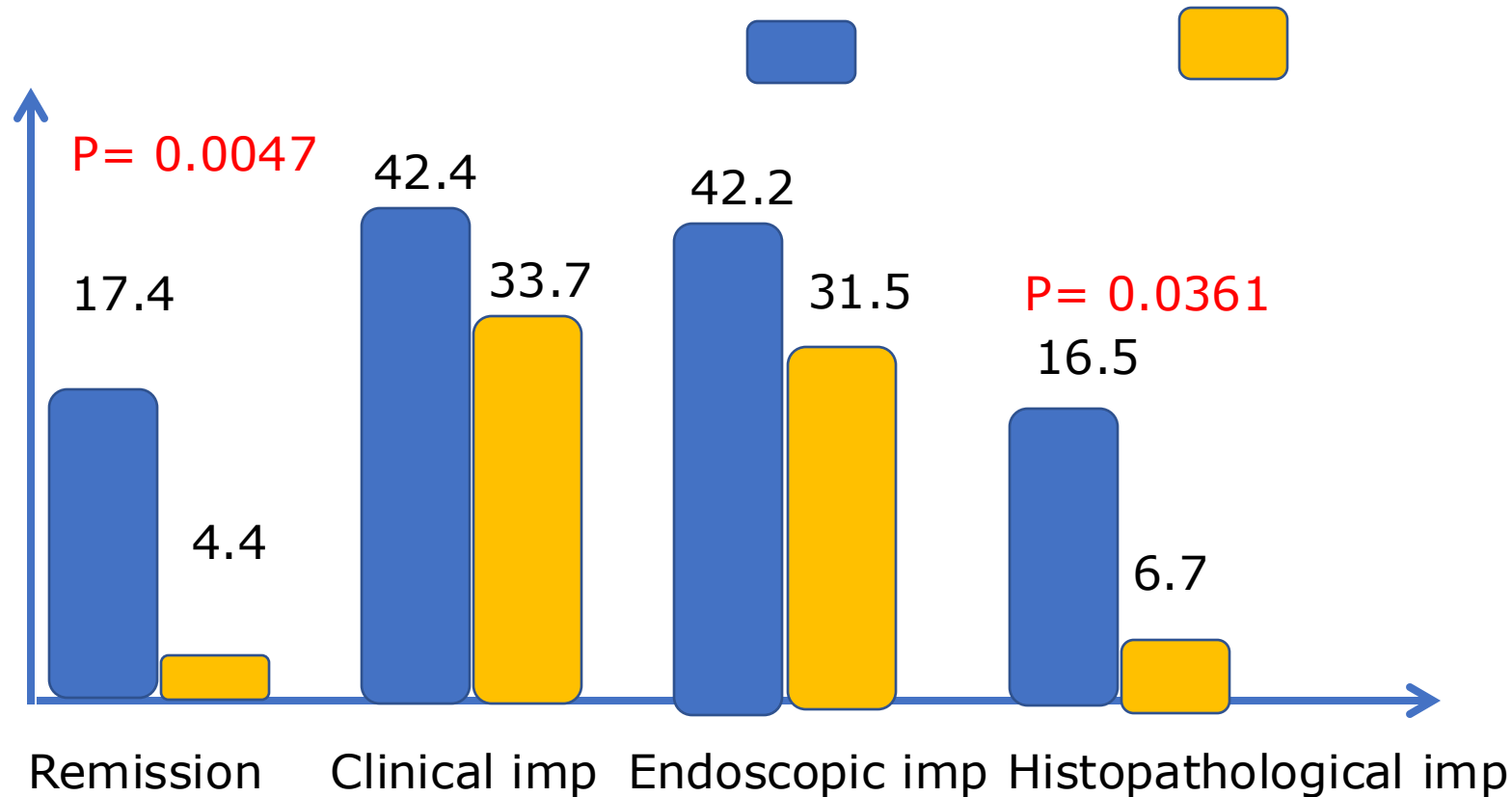


\* $P < .002$  vs oral alone,  $P = .04$  vs topical alone.

Adapted from Safdi M, et al. *Am J Gastroenterol*. 1997;92:1867-1871 with permission from Blackwell Publishing.

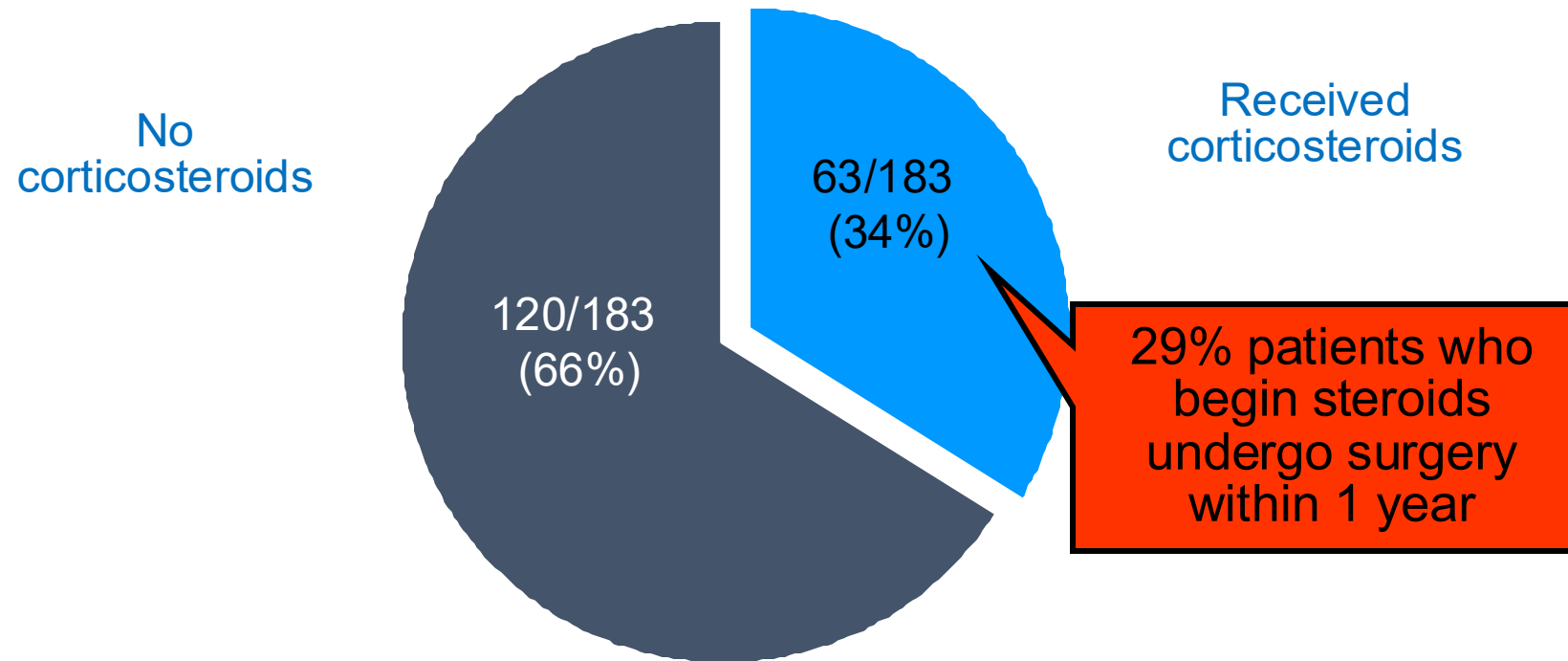
# Steroids ( new formulation) Budesonide

410 pt Cortement 9mg VS Placebo for 8 WK



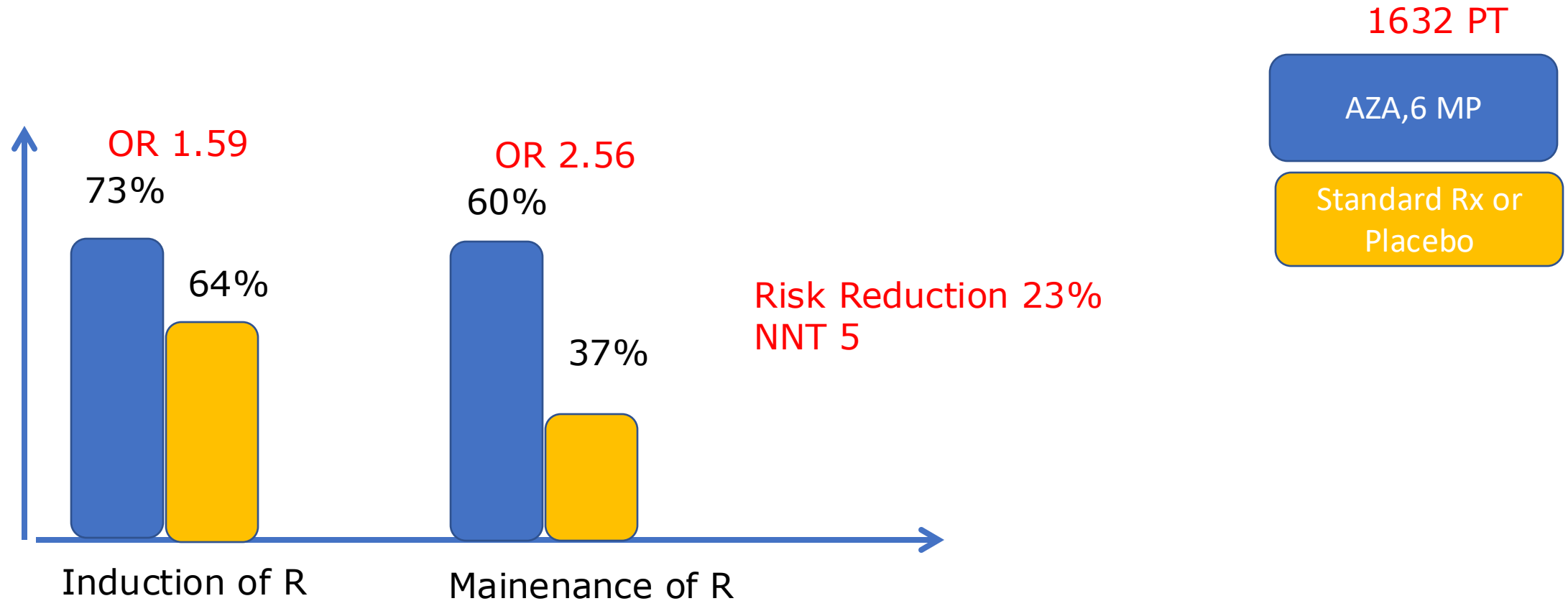
# Steroids Need in Ulcerative Colitis

**Population-Based Cohort in  
Olmsted County, MN From 1970–1993  
One year Data**





# Meta analysis AZA & 6 MP in UC



# Ulcerative Colitis and biological Treatment

## Success trial

	IFX + AZA	IFX	AZA
Steroid-free remission	40%	24%	24%
Response	77%	69%	50%
Mucosal Healing	63%	55%	37%

# ***SEVERE OR FULMINANT COLITIS***

- *Steroid I/V 3-5 days*

*If No response*

- *cyclosporine/Infliximab for toxic megacolon*
- *If No response to therapy*
- *Consider colectomy*
- *Consult the surgeon at D1 of admission*
- *Daily Abd Xray, Inflammatory markers and monitoring of symptoms*

# Surgery in UC

- Not responding to medical treatment
- complications
- Treatment-related complications such as severe steroid side effects .
- Detection of unequivocal dysplasia in patients with long-standing colitis during endoscopic surveillance .

# Colorectal cancer in UC

- **The risk of colorectal cancer (CRC) is increased in ulcerative colitis**
- Pancolitis : CRC risk increases 8 to 10 years following the onset of symptoms
- Left-sided colitis : risk of CRC increases after 15 to 20 years
- Proctitis and proctosigmoiditis: are probably not at increased risk for CRC
- Primary sclerosing cholangitis: An increased risk of CRC has been observed in patients with UC complicated by PSC

# Crohn's Disease

- Crohn's disease is characterized by transmural inflammation and by skip lesions rather than continuous disease.
- Crohn's disease may involve the entire gastrointestinal tract from mouth to perianal area

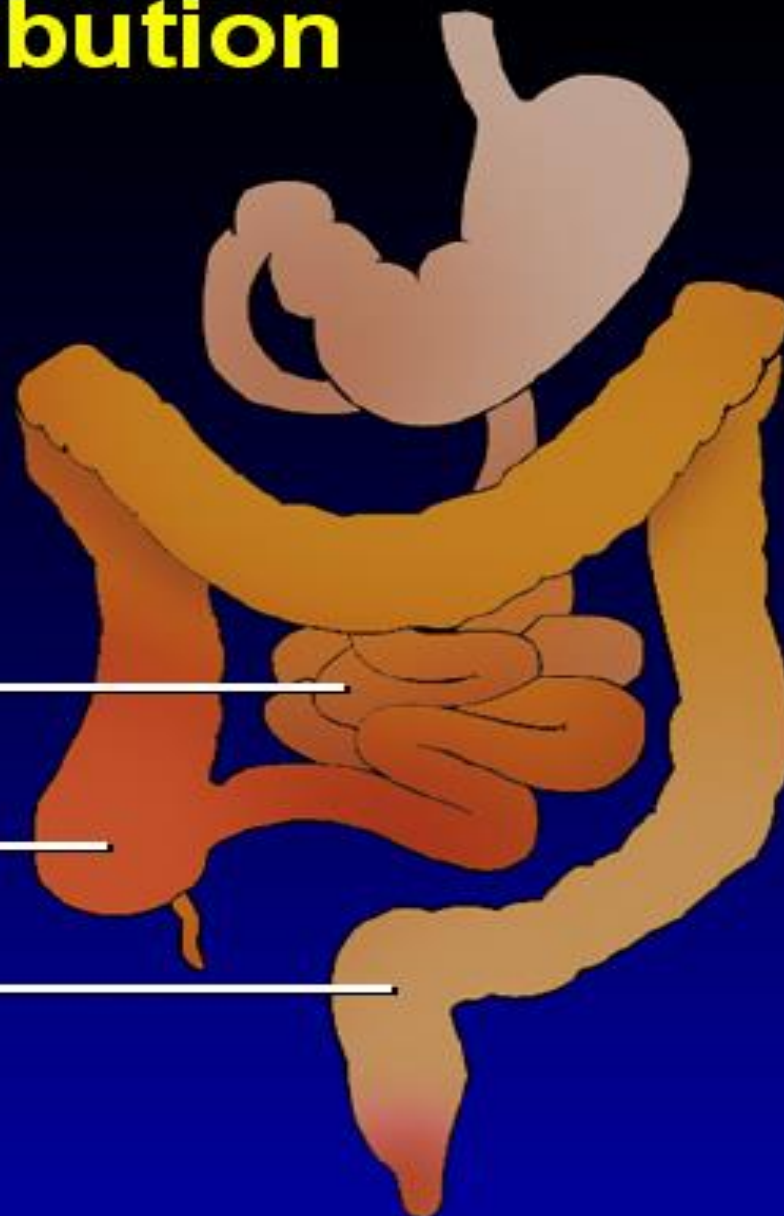
# Anatomic Distribution

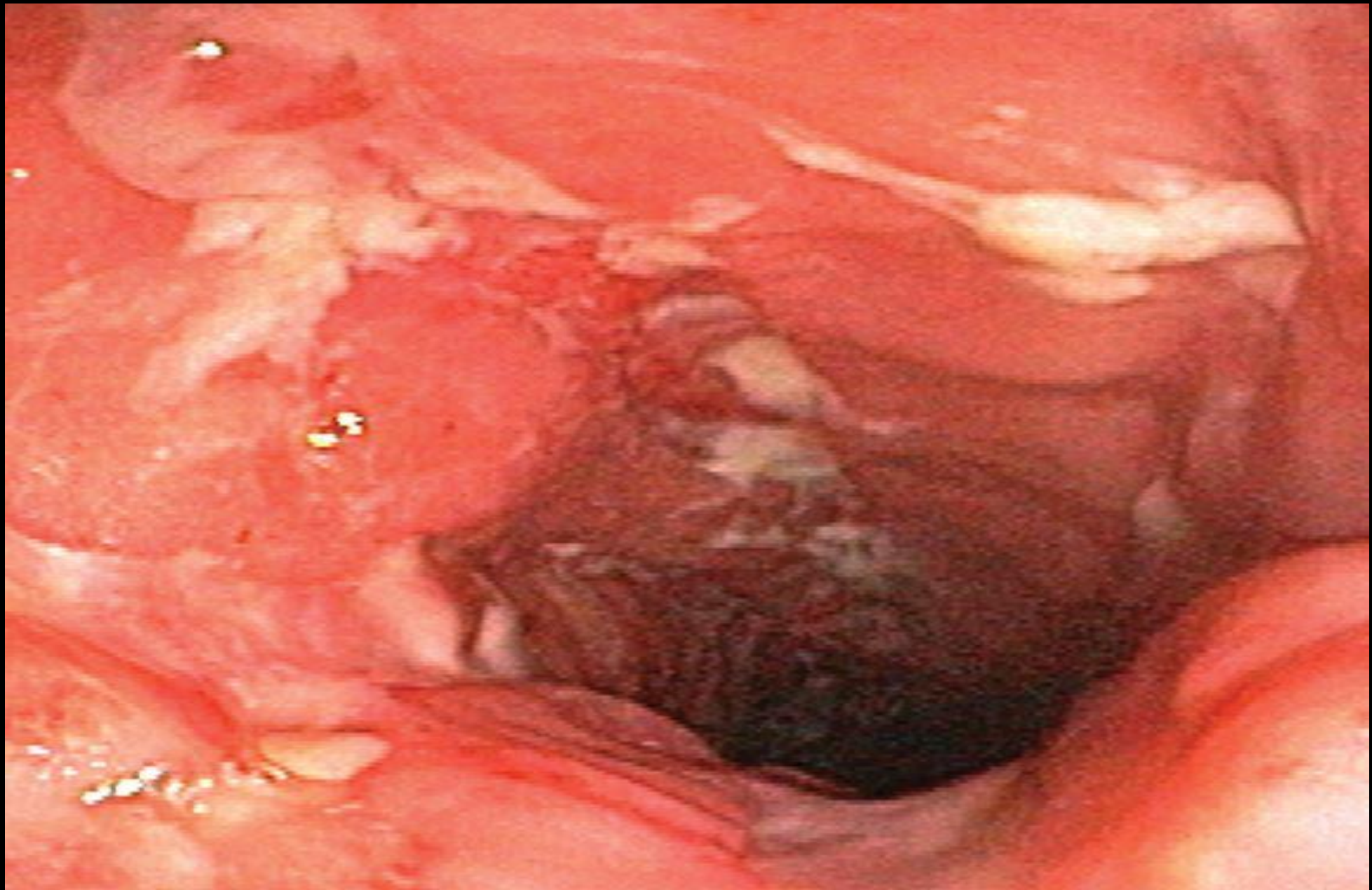
Freq. of involvement  
most least

Small bowel alone 33%

Ileocolic 45%

Colon alone 20%





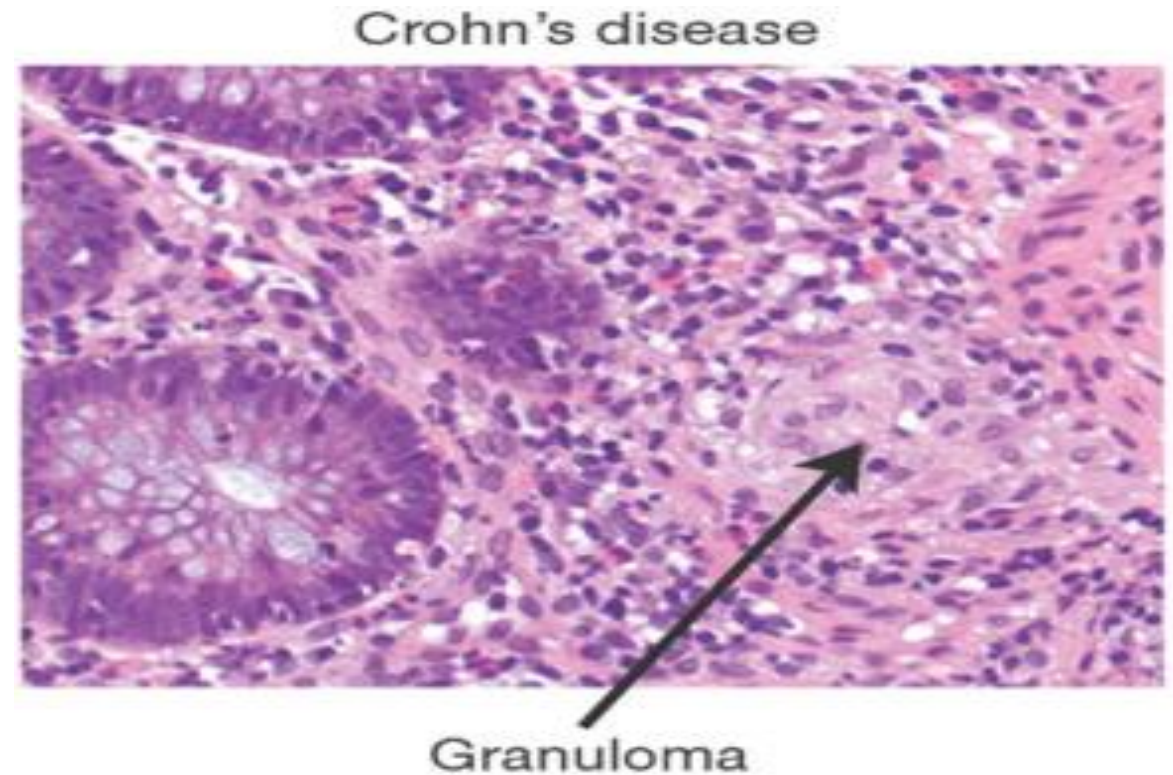


# Crohn's Disease

- The process is transmural.
- Cobble stone appearance of the mucosa.
- The Rectum is spared
- There is skip areas.
- Fistulas fissures, abscess and anal stenosis

# Histopathology

- Epithelioid non-caseating granulomas
- Chronic and acute inflammatory infiltrate, including lymphocytes and plasma cells
- Crypt architectural distortion/Abscess



# Presentation

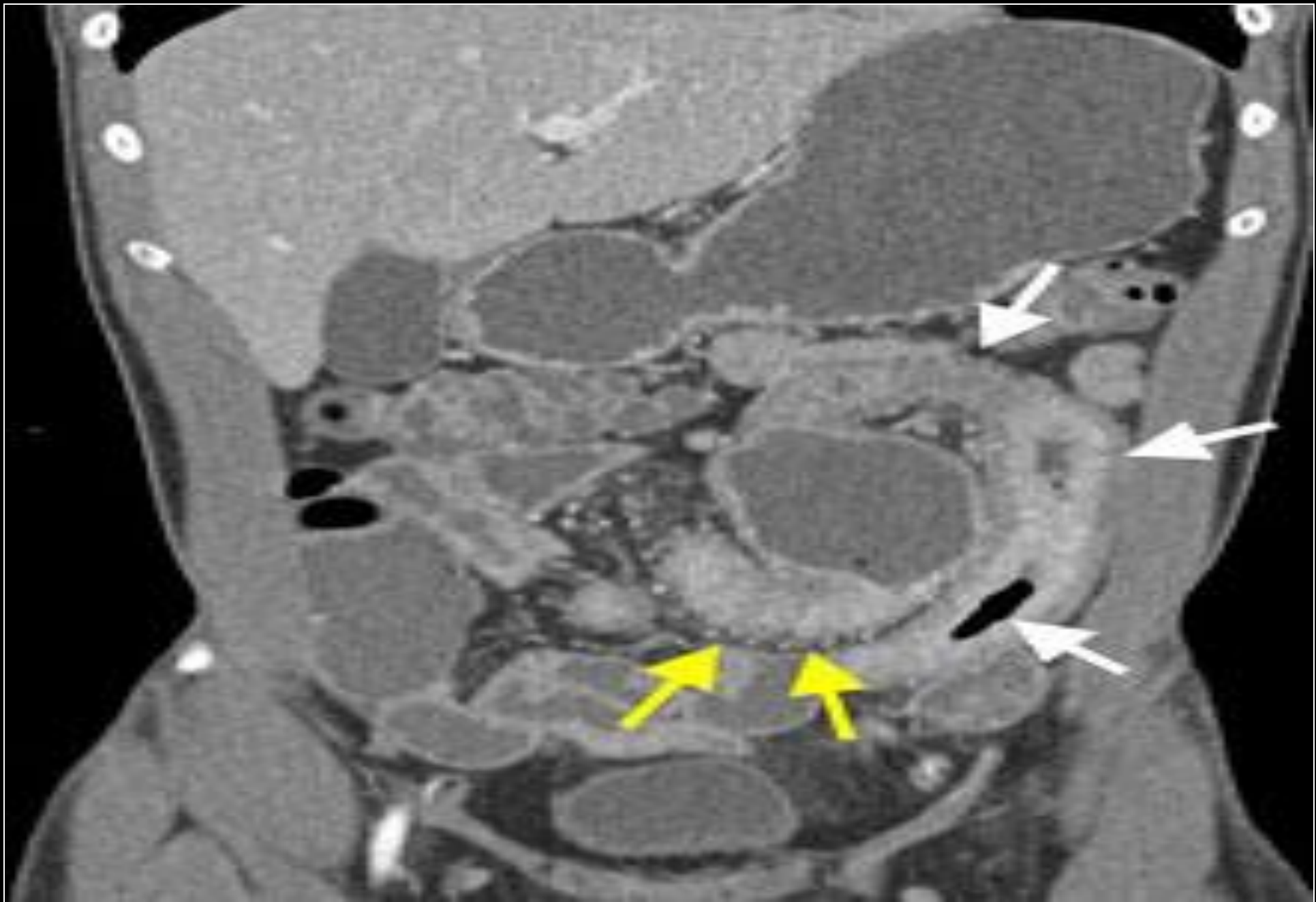
- There are variability of the site& extent of disease
- A young patient presents with dull Abdominal Pain (RIF) and occasional loose bowel motion for more than 4 weeks.
- Additional symptoms include; Fatigue, weight loss, and fever, with or without gross bleeding, are the hallmarks of Crohn's disease
- 10 percent of patients do not have diarrhea.
- Poor growth is common in children

# complications

1. *Intestinal obstruction*
2. *Severe hemorrhage*
3. *Acute perforation*
4. *Fistulae*
5. *Abscess formation*
6. *Toxic megacolon.*

# Diagnosis

- **Typical History**
- **typical endoscopic appearance**
- **confirmatory histology seen on colonic biopsy**
- **Radiological assessment, Capsule endoscopy**
- **Serological markers P-ANCA, ASCA**
- **Routine labs: CBC, KFT,LFT,PT**
- **Stool for R&M Culture, Cl Difficile toxines and Faecal calprotectin**



## CD - Clinical Patterns

**Inflammation**



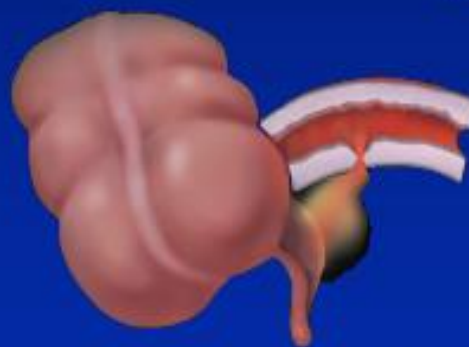
**Fistulization**



**Obstruction**



**Microperforation**  
(appendicitis-like)







Anastomotic stricture in a patient with Crohn's Disease

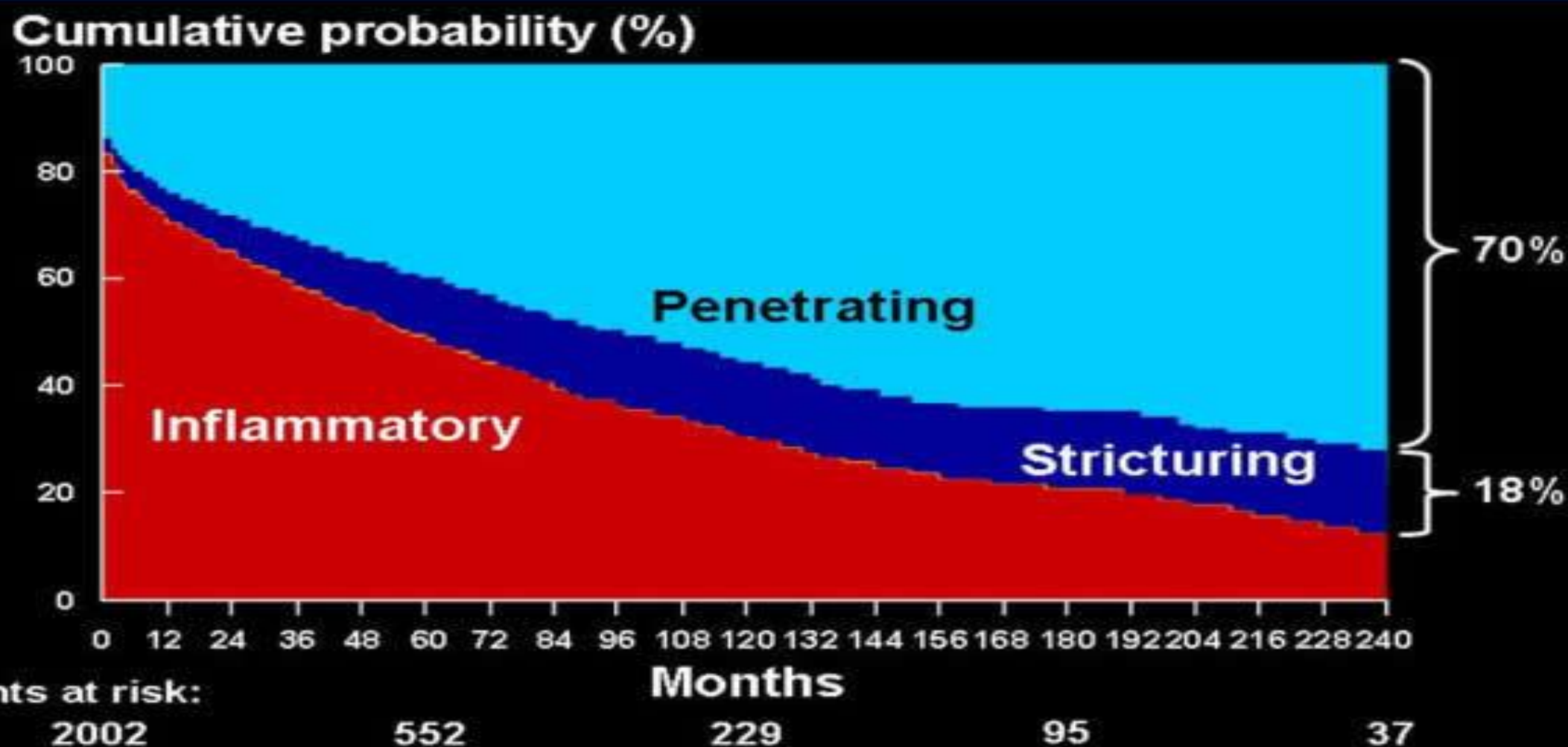


Anastomotic fistula in a patient with Crohn's Disease





# The evolution of Crohn's disease: Inflammation leads to structural damage



Over a 20 year period, 88% risk of developing strictureing (18%) or penetrating (70%) disease

*Cosnes et al, Inflamm Bowel Dis 2002; 8: 244*

# Crohn's Disease Activity Index

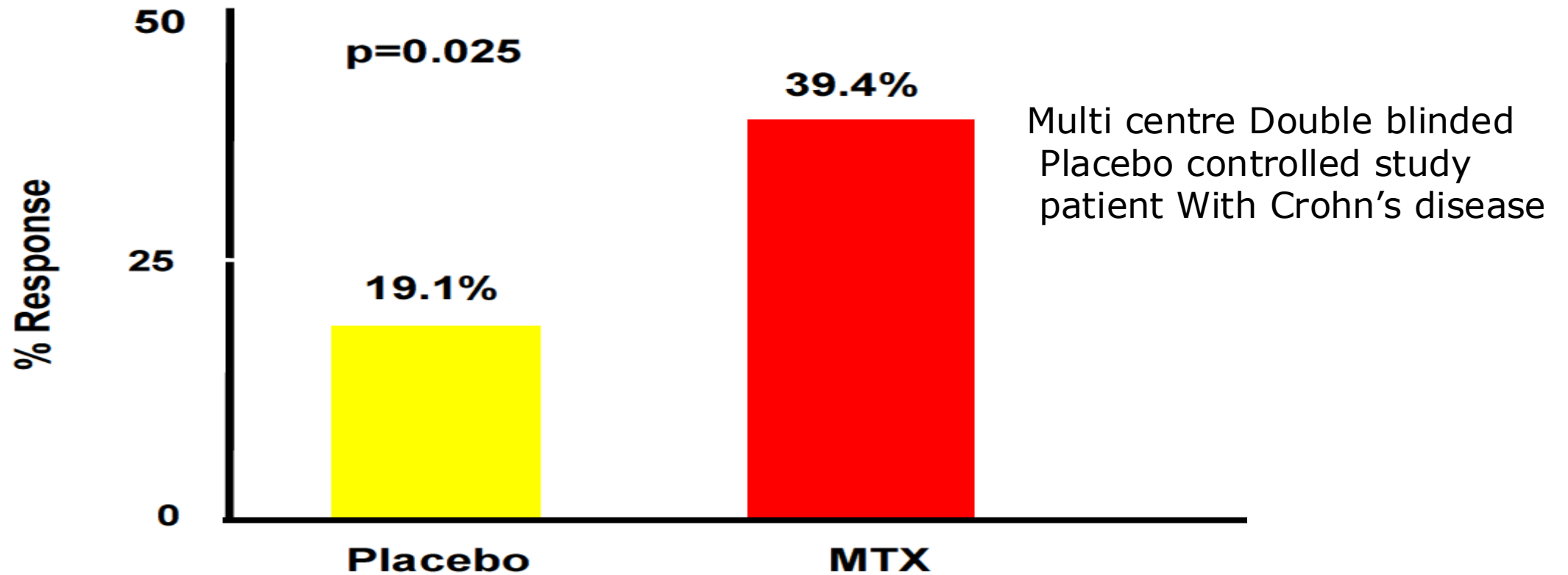


Item(day)	Weight
No. liquid or very soft stools(each day for 7days)	×2
Abdominal pain, sum of 7 d rating (0=none,1=mild,2=moderate,3=severe)	×5
General well being (1-4)	×7
Exteraintestinal (1 per finding)	×20
Arthritis/arthralgia	
Mucocutaneous lesion	
Iritis/uveitis	
Anal disease (fissure, fistula,etc)	
External fistula	
Fever>36.8	
Antidiarrheal use	×30
Abdomial mass(none-0,equivocal-2,definite-5)	×10
Hematocrit (males-47) (Females-42)	×6
Bodyweight (1-body weight/standard weight) ×100	×1
Total CDAI Score	

# Management

- Steroids : used only for induction, no rule for maintenance
- 5 ASA : The least effective treatment
- Azathioprine/6MP: used for maintenance
- MTX
- Biological Treatment :
  - TNF inhibitors : Infliximab, Adalimumab, Certolizumab
  - Alpha 4 B7 Integrin inhibitors : Vedolizumab
  - JAK Inhibitors: Ubadacitinib
  - IL 12, 13 Inhibitors: Ustikinomab, Rizinkumab, Gusalkomab

# MTX Induction of remission

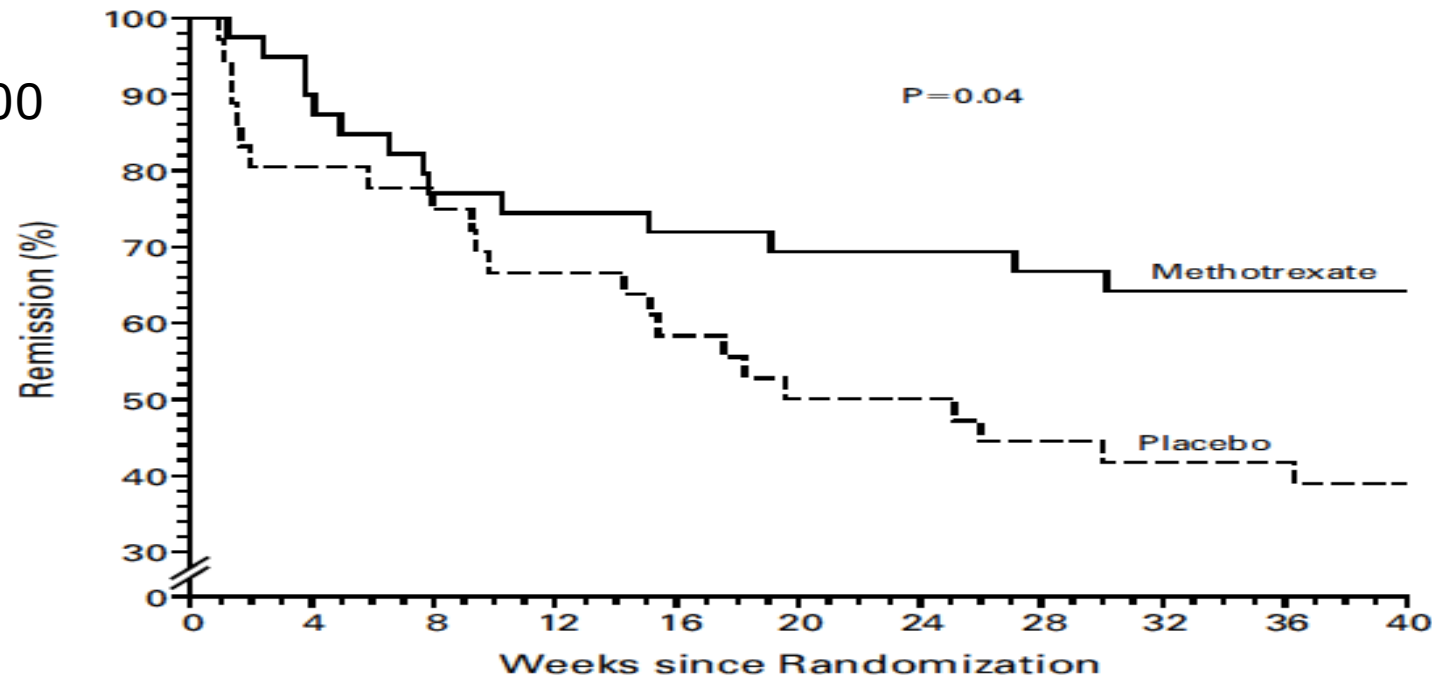


# MTX For Maintenance of Remission CD

Multi centre Double blinded Placebo controlled study patient With Crohn's disease

Feagan BG NEJM 2000

**MTX 15 my I/M  
Vs Placebo**



P= 0.04

**25/40 (65%)**

**14/36 (39%)**

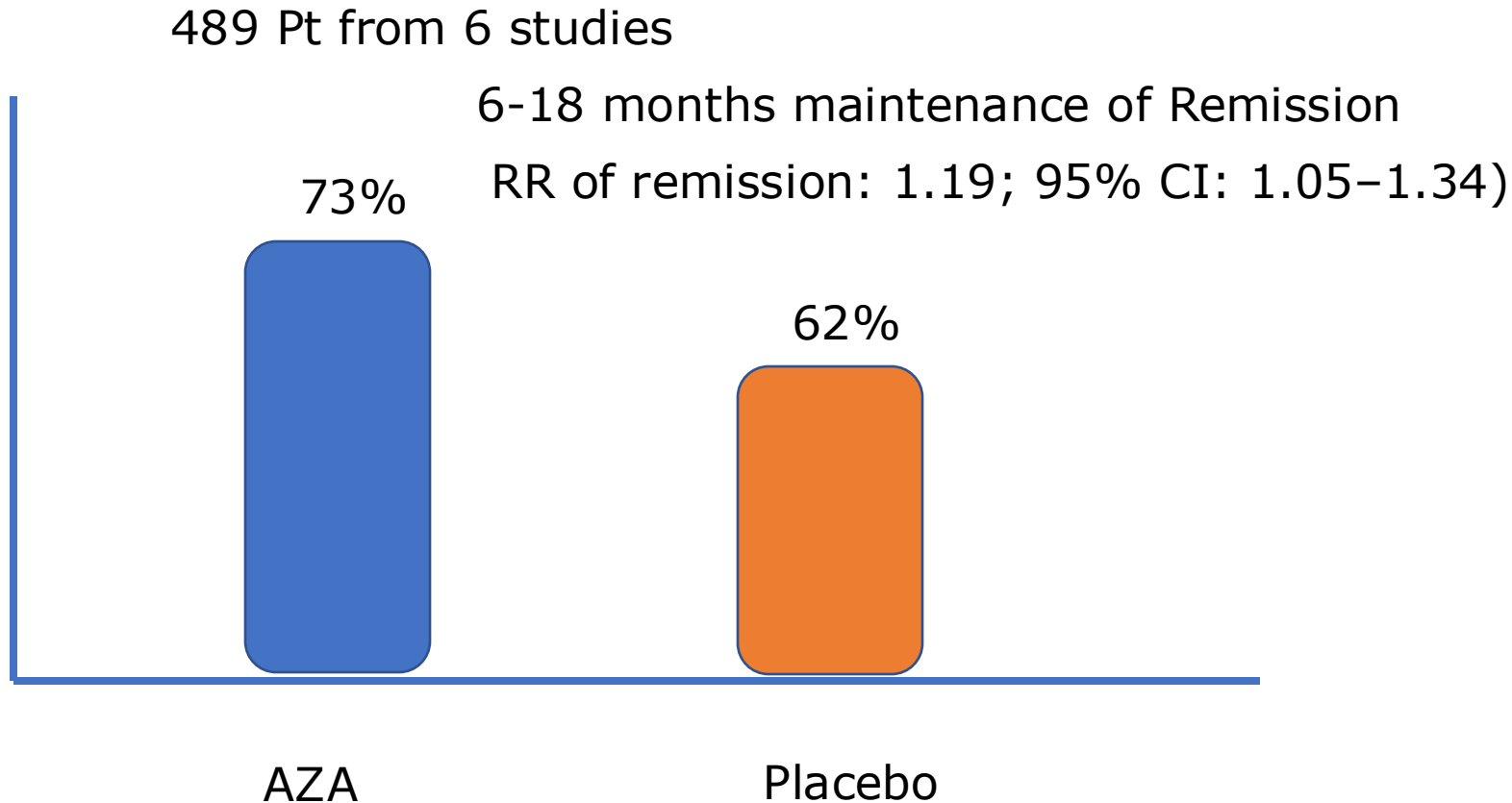
No. AT RISK

Methotrexate	40	36	30	29	28	27	27	26	25	24	19
Placebo	36	29	28	24	21	18	18	16	15	15	12

**Figure 1.** Kaplan-Meier Estimates of the Time to Relapse in the Methotrexate Group and the Placebo Group.

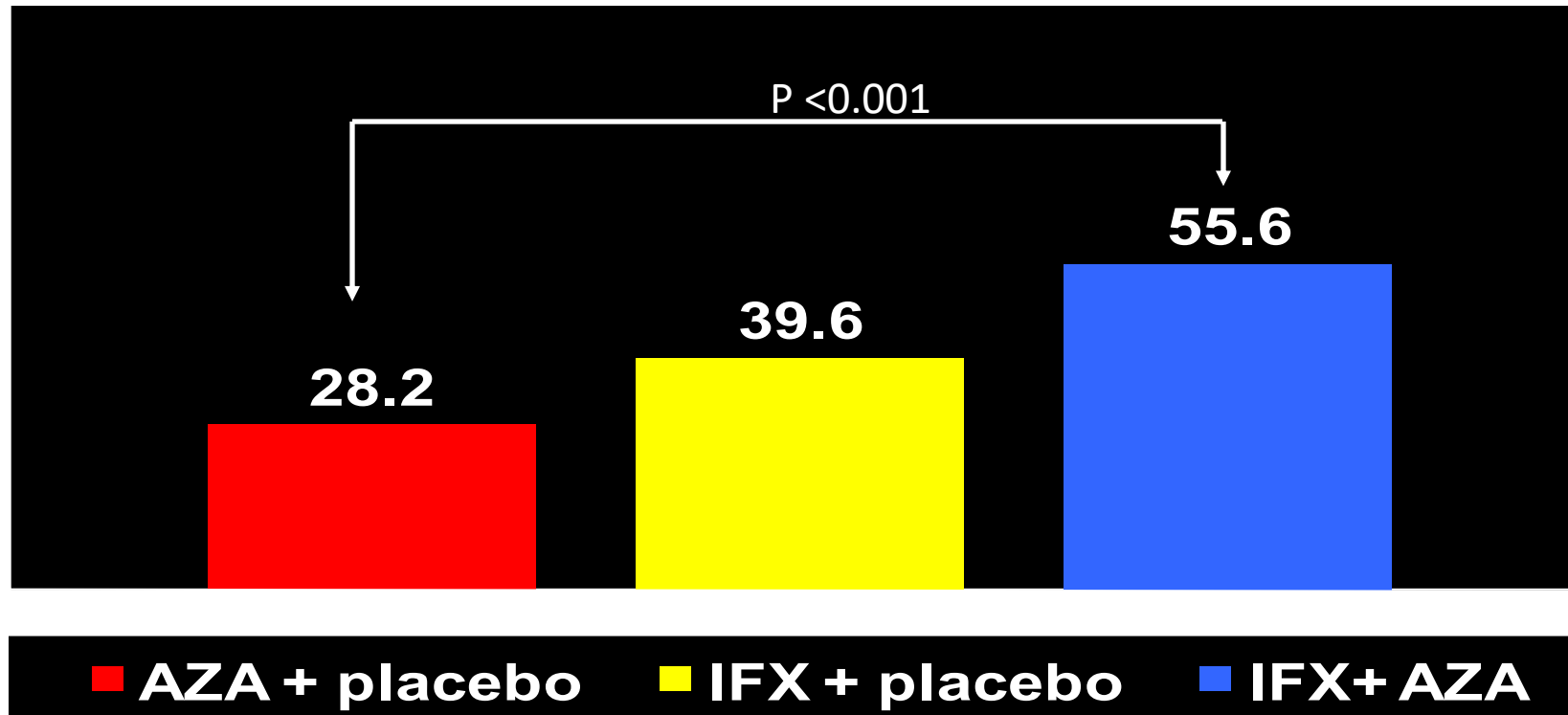
11/40 (28%) MTX vs 21/36 (58%) Placebo used prednisolone p = 0.01

# Thiopurine in CD



# Biologics in CD; Corticosteroid-Free Clinical Remission at Week 50 Sonic trial

**All Randomized Patients (N=508)\***





# Medical treatment summary

- **Corticosteroids** *for induction of remission, prednisone is initiated at a dose of 40 to 60 mg/day, other steroids maybe used.*
- **Azathioprine and 6-mercaptopurine** *For most patients the main stay of treatment for maintenance in mild to moderate disease.*
- **5 ASA** *For the patient with mild symptoms, therapy is initiated with sulfasalazine or one of the mesalamine agents NNT 17 Most effective in post op colonic disease*
- **Antibiotics** — *Antibiotic therapy should be considered in the patient who with infection/abscess, post op. perianal (Metronidazole*
- **Biological** *treatment in moderate to severe disease refractory to other treatment*

# Surgical treatment & Risk of CRC

- The major indications for surgery are obstruction and perforation in small intestinal Crohn's disease, and chronic disability and failure to respond to medical therapy in those with colonic involvement.
- Surgery remove the active disease, it is not a cure
- The AGA concluded that the risk of colorectal cancer associated with ulcerative colitis and Crohn's colitis is similar for comparable extent, duration, and age of onset of inflammatory disease.

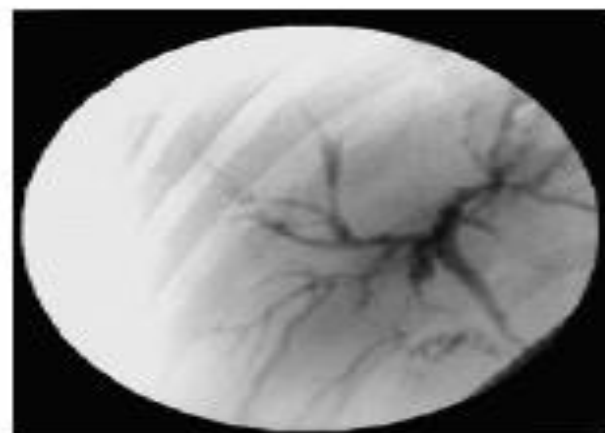
# IBD is a Systemic Inflammatory Disorder!



Skin  
Eye



Bones and Joints  
Kidney  
Hepatobiliary



# EIM Of IBD

- Eye involvement with conjunctivitis, uveitis and episcleritis
- ankylosing spondylitis & Sacoilitis
- peripheral arthritis
- Sclerosing cholangitis, steatosis, cholelithasis
- Venous and arterial thromboembolism
- Autoimmune hemolytic anemia
- Skin disorders such as erythema nodosum and pyoderma gangrenosum
- Renal calculi, uretric obstruction, fistulas.
- Metabolic bone disease

# 5-ASA (Mesalamine)

the risk of clinical recurrence may be significantly reduced by 5-ASA maintenance treatment in patients with surgically induced remission.

The length of previous remission of CD does not seem to be useful in clinical practice for predicting the response to 5-ASA for the maintenance of remission in a particular patient

5-ASA formulations for treatment of CD, high doses of these drugs should be used (4gms)

The least effective medications in CD (no needed 1/17)