Inflammatory Bowel Disease Challenging Cases

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Objectives

Through cases briefly discuss:

- New biologic therapies
- Drug monitoring
- Endoscopic therapy
- Very early onset- IBD

- 17-year old female with diarrhea 2-3 times/day and intermittent hematochezia
- No evidence of anemia
- Confluent colitis up to the splenic flexure on histology consistent with ulcerative colitis
- Symptoms not improved with oral and rectal
 5-ASA
- Delayed release budesonide does not alleviate symptoms

- Worsening symptoms and anemia
- Infliximab started
- After two years of sustained remission the patient has severe exacerbation not responding to increased dosing despite adequate drug level
- What would be your next step?

Biologic Therapy for Inflammatory Bowel Disease

- Anti-TNF- α therapies
 - Infliximab FDA approval for Crohn disease and UC
 - Adalimumab Crohn disease and adult UC
 - Certolizumab Adult Crohn disease
 - Golimumab Adult UC
 - Bio-similars

- Selective adhesion molecules
 - Natalizumab FDA limited approval for Crohn disease as monotherapy
 - Ustekinumab Adult Crohn disease
 - Vadalizumah Adult Crahn disaasa and adult LIC

Strategies that target leukocyte traffic in Inflammatory Bowel Diseases



Progressive Multifocal Leukoencephalopathy

- Patients on natalizumab therapy (1:160 to 1:10,000 dependent on risk factors)
 - -The risk factors are:
 - 1. The presence of anti-JCV antibodies
 - 2. Longer duration of natalizumab treatment, especially beyond 2 years.

 Prior treatment with an immunosuppressant medication (e.g., azathioprine, methotrexate, or mycophenolate mofetil).



Anti-adhesion therapies for Inflammatory Bowel Disease



Alimentary Pharmacology & Therapeutics 39(6):579-594, 2014

Vedolizumab during Induction phase UC at 6 weeks (GEMINI 1)



GEMINI: UC Maintenance Therapy



Exposure-Adjusted Incidence Rates of Infections and Serious Infections in the Overall Safety Population

	Placebo		Vedolizumab	
	UC and CD $(n = 504)^{a}$		UC and CD $(n = 2830)^d$	
Adverse event: Infection	No. of patients with event	No. of patients with event/100 PY (95% Cl)	No. of patients with event	No. of patients with event/100 PY (95% Cl)
Any infection ^e	139	82.9 (68.3-97.5)	1606	63.5 (59.6-67.3)
Upper respiratory tract infections	67	34.7 (26.0–43.3)	967	28.6 (26.6–30.6)
Lower respiratory tract and lung infections	16	7.7 (3.9-11.5)	270	6.1 (5.3-6.8)

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Pediatric Vedolizumab Studies

- All retrospective
- Majority of patients were previously treated with anti-TNF medications
- Dosing- 0, 2, 6, and then q8 weeks
 - -Adult dosing of 300 mg IV for >40 kg
 - -Children <40 kg
 - Porto Group median 7.3 mg/kg (3.6-10.3 mg/kg)
 - Multi-Center USA 6 mg/kg (2 patients received 5 mg/kg)
 - CHOP no patients under 40 kg (5 mg/kg)

Remission rates in Pediatric CD and UC on Vedolizumab



Singh N, et al. Inflamm Bowel Diseases. 22(9):2121-2126, September 2016.

Response rate in Pediatric CD and UC on Vedolizumab

- Clinical Response
 –PCDAI<12.5 for CD
 –PUCAI<20 for UC and IBD-U
- Clinical Response
 - -31.6% by week 6
 - -52.6% by week 14
 - -57.9% by week 22

Change in Endoscopic Scores with Vedolizumab in Pediatric IBD



Repeat colonoscopy at median 14 weeks (interquartile range [IQR] 14-22)

Ledder O, et al. J Crohn's & Colitis 2017. doi:10.1093/ecco-jcc/jjx082

Predicting Response to Vedolizumab in Pediatric Inflammatory Bowel Diseases (IBD) Including Drug Levels: a Multi-center Prospective Cohort Study, From the Pediatric IBD Porto Group of European Society for Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition (ESPGHAN)

> Sponsor: Shaare Zedek Medical Center Ages = up to 18 years

Estimated Enrollment:	120	
Actual Study Start Date:	January 2017	
Estimated Study Completion Date:	July 2021	
Estimated Primary Completion Date:	July 2019 (Final data collection date for primary outcome measure)	

A Phase 2, Randomized, Double-Blind, Dose-Ranging Study to Determine the Pharmacokinetics, Safety and Tolerability of Vedolizumab IV in Pediatric Subjects With Ulcerative Colitis or Crohn's Disease

> Sponsor: Takeda Estimated Enrollment=80 Ages = 2 years to 17 years

- Primary Outcome
 - Measures: Serum Vedolizumab Concentrations Over Time (Week 14)
- Secondary Outcome Measures
 - % of Ulcerative Colitis Participants who Achieve Clinical Response (Week 14)
 - % of Crohn's disease Participants who Achieve Clinical Response (Week 14)

- 14-year old male with Crohn disease, persistent growth failure, and symptoms suggestive of active disease
- Evaluation (MRE, video capsule endoscopy, endoscopy and colonoscopy)extensive small and large bowel disease
- Failed 5-ASA, antibiotics, nutritional and anti-TNF therapy, and immunomodulators
- Not a surgical candidate

IL-12 and IL-23, and their receptors and downstream signaling pathways



Teng MW, et al. Nature Med 2015; 21(7): 719

Ustekinumab for Crohn disease UNITI-1 and UNITI-2

UNITI-1 & 2: Clinical Response Through Week 8



Ustekinumab for Crohn disease UNITI-1 and UNITI-2

UNITI-1 & 2: Clinical Remission Through Week 8



Feagan BG, et al; New Engl J Med 2016;375:1946

Subcutaneous ustekinumab provided clinical and biological benefit for 9/12 refractory pediatric Crohn disease



Abstract Results



A Pharmacokinetic Study of Ustekinumab in Pediatric Subjects With Moderately to Severely Active Crohn's Disease

> Sponsor: Janssen Research & Development, LLC Estimated Enrollment=40 Ages = 2 years to 17 years

- Primary Outcome
 - Measures: Serum Ustekinumab Concentrations Over Time (Time Frame: Up to Week 16)
- Secondary Outcome Measures
 - Clinical Response as Measured by the Pediatric Crohn's Disease Activity Index (PCDAI) Score (Time Frame: Week 6)
 - Clinical Remission as Measured by the Pediatric Crohn's Disease Activity Index (PCDAI) Score (Time Frame: Week 8)

A Pharmacokinetic Study of Ustekinumab in Pediatric Subjects With Moderately to Severely Active Crohn's Disease

- Group 1: Single IV induction dose at week 0
 - 3 mg/kg for < 40 kg
 - 130 mg >= 40 kg
- Group 2: Single IV induction dose at week 0
 - 9 mg/kg <40 kg
 - 390 mg >= 40 kg
- Group 1 and 2: IV infusion followed by SC maintenance dose at week 8
 - 2 mg/kg for subjects <40 kg
 - 90 mg for subjects >= 40 kg at week 8.

The Concept of Step-Therapy in IBD for Everyone is Flawed





- 9-year old male with newly diagnosed small and large bowel, and severe perianal Crohn disease
- Imaging- no evidence of abscess
- Started on antibiotic therapy while awaiting work-up and approval for infliximab therapy
- How would you monitor anti-TNF therapy?

Value of Trough Level/Anti-Drug Antibody (ADA)

Higher Infliximab (IFX) Levels Associated with Better Outcomes

Prospective cohort (n=105) Median follow-up: 88 weeks



IFX Trough Levels Predict Future Loss of Response (LOR)

- 90 adult IBD patients (59% with known ATI)
 Retrospectively measured 1,232 serum IFX
 - levels via mobility shift-assay (HMSA)
- Greatest predictor of IFX failure
 Any IFX trough < 0.91 µg/ml
- IFX trough <2.2 µg/ml at week 14 predicts
 - Develop antibodies to infliximab (ATI) (p<0.0001)
 - Discontinue IFX for LOR/hypersensitivity

Early Infliximab Trough Associated with Persistent Remission in Pediatric IBD

- Prospective observational cohort (n=58) of pediatric patients (<21 y/o) starting IFX
 - 50/58: Primary responders; entered maintenance phase
- 60% (30/50) achieved persistent remission (PR)
- Median infliximab trough at week 14
 - Persistent remission: 4.7 µg/ml

– p<0.03

– Not persistent remission: 2.6 µg/ml

PR: Week 54 remission (PCDAI, CDAI, or partial Mayo); no IFX dose escalation

Singh N, et al. Inflamm Bowel Dis 2014; 20: 1708-1713

Variables Affecting Clearance of Biological Therapies
Factors Affecting Pharmacokinetics of Monoclonal Antibodies

	Impact on pharmacokinetics
Presence of ADAs	Decreases serum (mAbs) Threefold-increased clearance Worse clinical outcomes
Concomitant use of IS	Reduces ADA formation Increases serum (mAbs) Decreases mAbs clearance Better clinical outcomes
High baseline (TNF-α)	May decrease (mAbs) by increasing clearance
Low albumin	Increases clearance Worse clinical outcomes
High baseline CRP	Increases clearance
Body size	High body mass index may increase clearance
Gender	Males have higher clearance

ADA, antidrug antibody; CRP, C-reactive protein; IS, immunosuppressive agent; mAb, monoclonal antibody; TNF-α, tumor necrosis factor-α. Terms in parentheses refer to serum concentration.

Fecal Loss of IFX Contributes to Lack of Response in Acute Severe Colitis

- Moderate to severe UC, anti-TNF naïve (n=30)
 - Fecal samples collected within first 14 days following 1st IFX (5 mg/kg)
- During 1st 2 weeks of treatment
 - 83% had detectable IFX in feces
 - Peak concentrations: Day 2
- Non-responders:
 - Higher fecal IFX at Day 1 (p=0.02)
 - Lower serum IFX at Day 14 (p=0.03)





Brandse JF et al *Gastroenterology* 2015; 149:350-355

Proactive and Reactive TDM

TAXIT

Trough Concentration Adapted InfliXImab Treatment



TAXIT

Maintenance Phase



- Clinically based vs. concentration-based:
 - More relapses
 - Required more rescue therapy
 - Had lower IFX troughs/more ADA

Suggested Algorithm: Proactive and Reactive



Vande Casteele N et al. Am J Gastroenterol 2013; 108(6):962-

Future – Individualized Dashboards

PK Dashboard Optimizing IFX



Units: Albumin levels in g/dL, C-reactive protein levels in mg/dL, IFX levels in ug/mL

Take Home Points

- Measureable drug levels

 Better outcomes
 Less risk of ADA
- Standard dosing regimen often inadequate
- **Reactive TDM** should be utilized
- Proactive TDM makes sense, but need more data

- Optimization vs. maintenance phase

- Target trough may vary
- Personalized dosing may be the future

- 19-year old male with Crohn disease who underwent resection of two strictures (distal ileum with primary anastomosis, as well as terminal ileal stricture with ileo-cecectomy)
- Intermittent obstructive symptoms
- Endoscopic evidence of disease recurrence, but the family not interested in repeat surgery or biologic therapy

Post-operative recurrence

Table 1 Endoscopic recurrence score ⁶		
Endoscopic Score	Definition	
iO	No lesions	
i1	\leq 5 aphthous lesions	
i2	>5 aphthous lesions with normal mucosa between the lesions, or skip areas of larger lesions, or lesions confined to the ileocolic anastomosis	
i3	Diffuse aphthous ileitis with diffusely inflamed mucosa	
i4	Diffuse inflammation with already larger ulcers, nodules, and/or narrowing	

I1







Rutgeerts et al. Gastroenterology 1990.

Post-operative recurrence



Rutgeerts et al. Gastroenterology 1990.

Stricture therapy

- Crohn disease inflammatory stricture (not longer than 4-5 cm and not associated with fistula or abscess)
- 2. Post-operative
- Anastomosis (18-20 mm)
- Pouch (18-20 mm)

Location- colon

- Systematic review of 347 patients with Crohn disease in 13 studies who underwent balloon dilation
- Dilation sizes varied from 18-25 mm
- Successful instrument passage 45-100%
- Short-term improvement 71-100%
- Long-term improvement 50-100%

Pre-operative dilation

- 29 pediatric patients randomized to receive intra-stricture corticosteroid (CS) injection or placebo after endoscopic balloon dilation
- Followed clinically with SB contrast, US and MR imaging at 1, 3, 6, and 12 months; and colonoscopy at 12 months
- 1/15 patients receiving CS required re-dilation vs.
 5/14 placebo patients (p<.04)
- Surgery needed in 4 of the placebo patients, and none of those receiving CS (p<.02)

Post-operative dilation



Complications

- Perforation
- Bleeding

Complications- perforation

- A meta-analysis showed rate of 1.9% with therapeutic procedures
- The perforation rate with pouch stricture dilation reported at 0.46%
- Conservative treatment
- Endoscopic therapy with clip and overthe-scope clip placement, and stent placement
- Surgical repair

Complications- bleeding

- Frequency reported up to 1.4% of dilations
- Most can be successfully managed with cautery or hemoclip placement

- Male: neonatal onset bloody diarrhea
- Severe refractory course complicated by:
 - FTT and TPN/G-tube dependence
 - Pathological vertebral fracture
 - No oral intake until 12-year old
 - Rectal stricture → colonic perforation and diverting ileostomy
 - Colectomy

- Duodenal stenosis
- Recurrent abscess (skin and intestinal)
- Laboratory evaluation: decreased NK cells, poor B cell maturation

XIAP: De Novo Whole Gene Deletion



XIAP Expression

Reference

Population XIAP: %positive

- CD4 0% >92
- CD8 0% >93
- CD56 0% >94
- CD19 0% >89

XIAP is the Causal Gene in X-linked Lymphoproliferative Disease 2



Latour S, Aguilar C., XIAP deficiency syndrome in humans, Seminars in Cell & Developmental Biology, 2015

Follow up

- Patient underwent HSCT
- Now in complete remission

Thank you