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# Oesophagite à éosinophiles: comment la traiter en 2016?

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- Definition
- Pathogenesis
- Therapeutic options
- Conclusions



## **Definition**

## Eosinophilic esophagitis: Updated consensus recommendations for children and adults

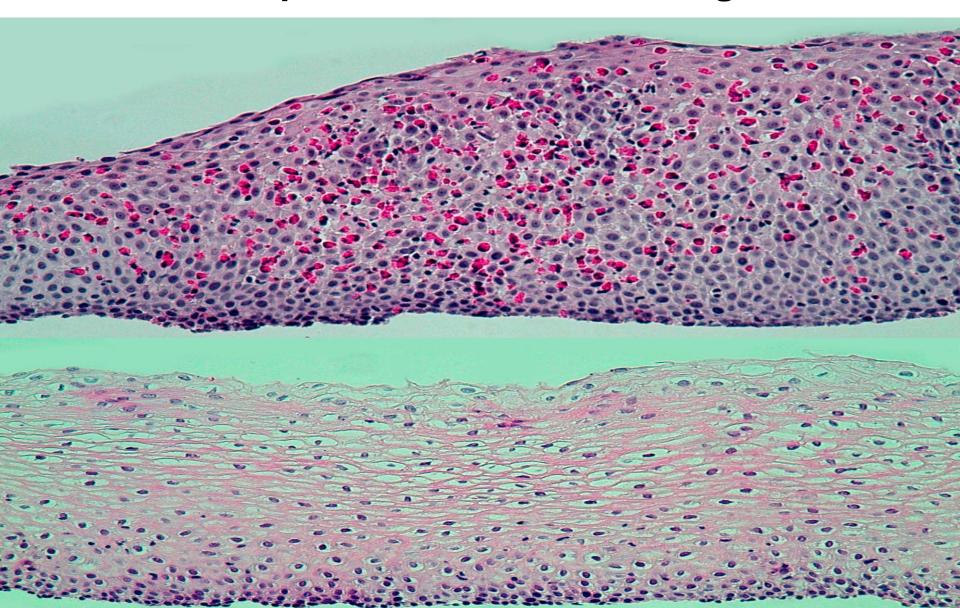
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Eosinophilic esophagitis represents a chronic, immune/antigenmediated esophageal disease, characterized **clinically** by symptoms related to esophageal dysfunction and **histologically** by eosinophil predominant inflammation



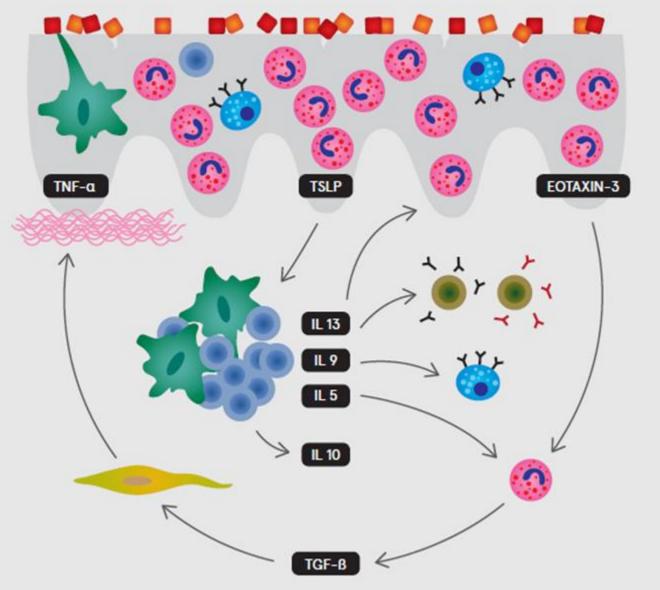
## Squamous Epithelium with features of EoE compared with normal findings

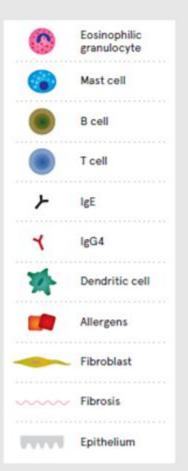


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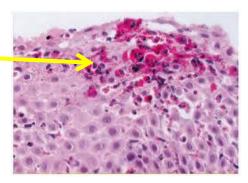




Schoepfer A, et al., in press

## The story of two phenotypes







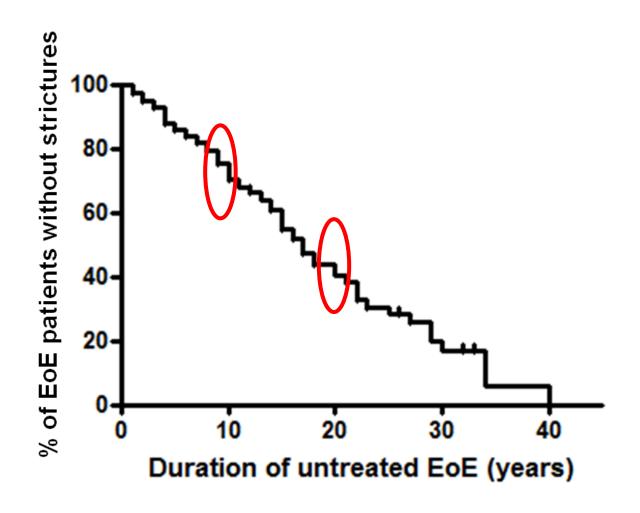
**Inflammation** 

**Stenosis** 



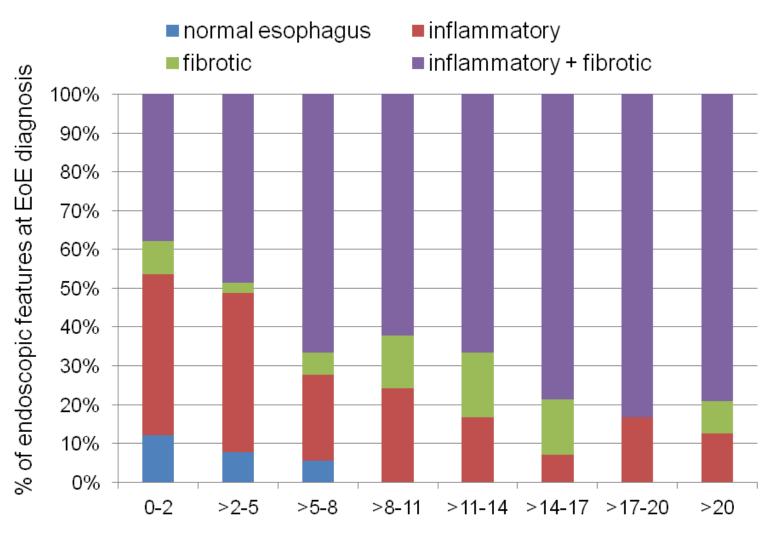
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## Stricture risk over time (n=200)





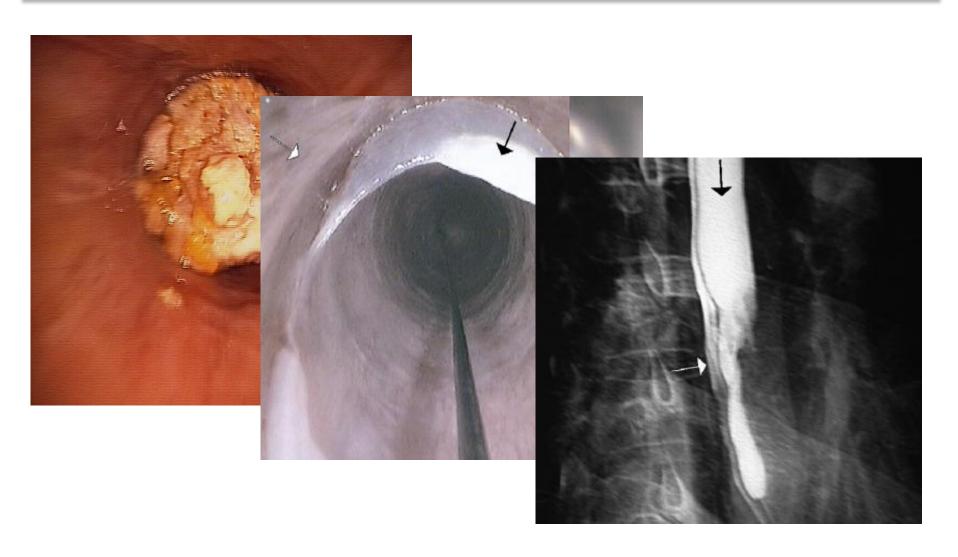
## **Endoscopic features at EoE Dx (n=200)**





Diagnostic delay (years)

## Consequences of remodeling





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### **Therapeutic Options 2016: DDD**

#### **D**rugs

- PPI
- Corticosteroids systemically (e.g. prednisone)
- Corticosteroids topically (e.g. budesonide, fluticasone)
- Anti-Allergens (Leukotriene-Antagonists)
- Biologicals (e.g. anti-IL5, anti-IL13, anti-IgE, CRTH2-blocker)
- Immunosuppressant's (e.g. azathioprine, 6-mercaptopurine)

#### **D**iet

- Elemental Diet
- Elimination Diet (individually, allergy-testing based)
- Six-Food Elimination Diet

#### **D**ilation

## Efficacy of Proton Pump Inhibitor Drugs for Inducing Clinical and Histologic Remission in Patients With Symptomatic Esophageal Eosinophilia: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

#### **Results**

Thirty-three studies (11 prospective studies) comprising 619 patients with symptomatic esophageal eosinophilia (188 children and 431 adults) were included. PPI therapy led to a clinical response in 60.8% (95% confidence interval, 48.38%–72.2%;  $I^2 = 80.2$ ) and histologic remission in 50.5% (95% confidence interval, 42.2%–58.7%;  $I^2 = 67.5$ ) of patients.

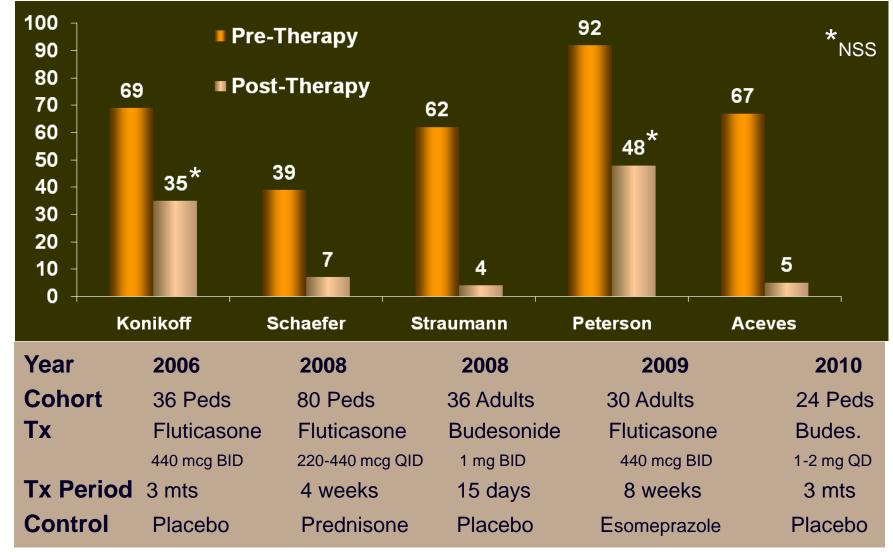
No differences were observed regarding the study population (children vs adults), the type of publication, or its quality.

A significant publication bias in favor of studies reporting histologic responses to PPIs was observed.

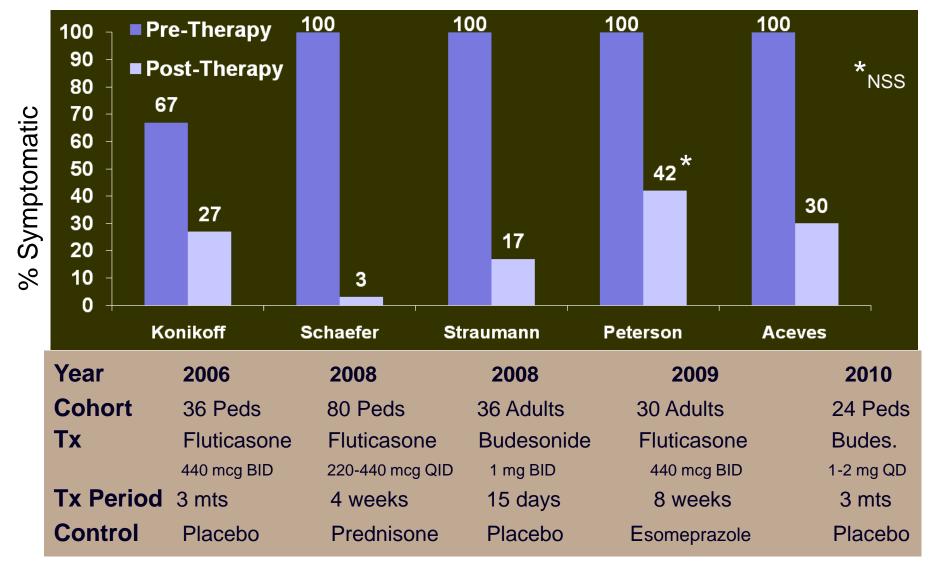
#### **Conclusions**

PPI therapy induces clinicohistologic remission in half of patients with symptomatic esophageal eosinophilia. This finding should be interpreted with caution because of poor-quality evidence, heterogeneity, and publication bias.

## Topical Corticosteroids in EoE Esophageal Eosinophilia



## Topical Corticosteroids in EoE Symptom Response



### Swallowed topical steroids: what form is best?

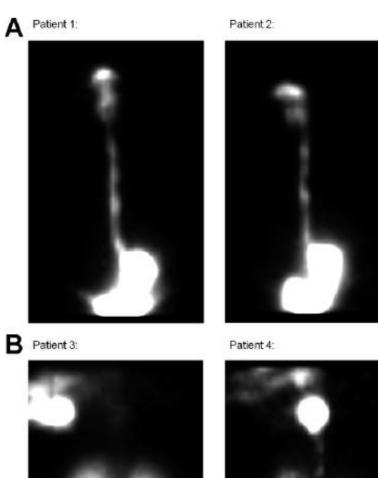
## Viscous Topical Is More Effective Than Nebulized Steroid Therapy for Patients With Eosinophilic Esophagitis

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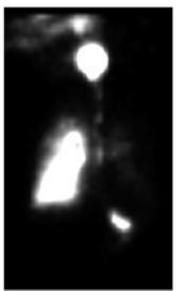
	Spray (NEB)	Syrup (OVB)	P-value
Number of patients	11	11	
Peak eos count before treatment	101±85	83±89	0.62
Peak eos count after treatment	89±94	11±23	0.02
Mean eos count after treatment	21±37	3±7	0.02





Oral viscous budesonide (syrup)

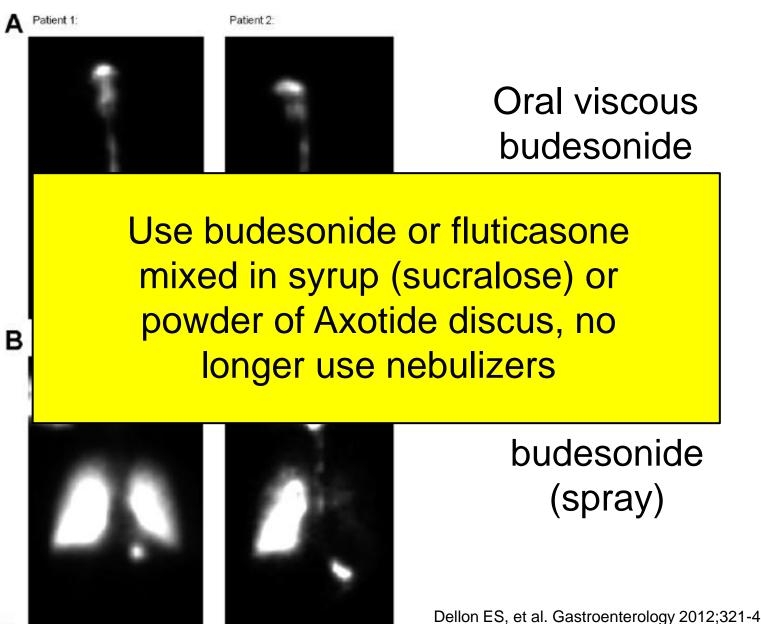




Nebulized budesonide (spray)



Dellon ES, et al. Gastroenterology 2012;321-4







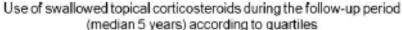
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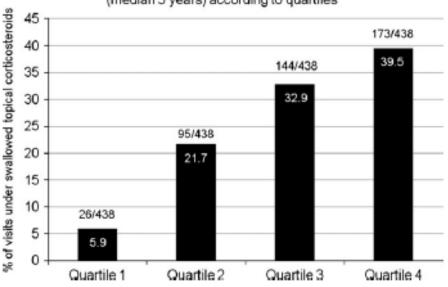
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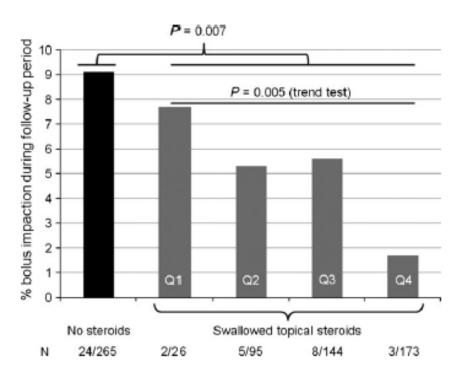
#### GASTROINTESTINAL DISEASES

#### Swallowed topical corticosteroids reduce the risk for long-lasting bolus impactions in eosinophilic esophagitis

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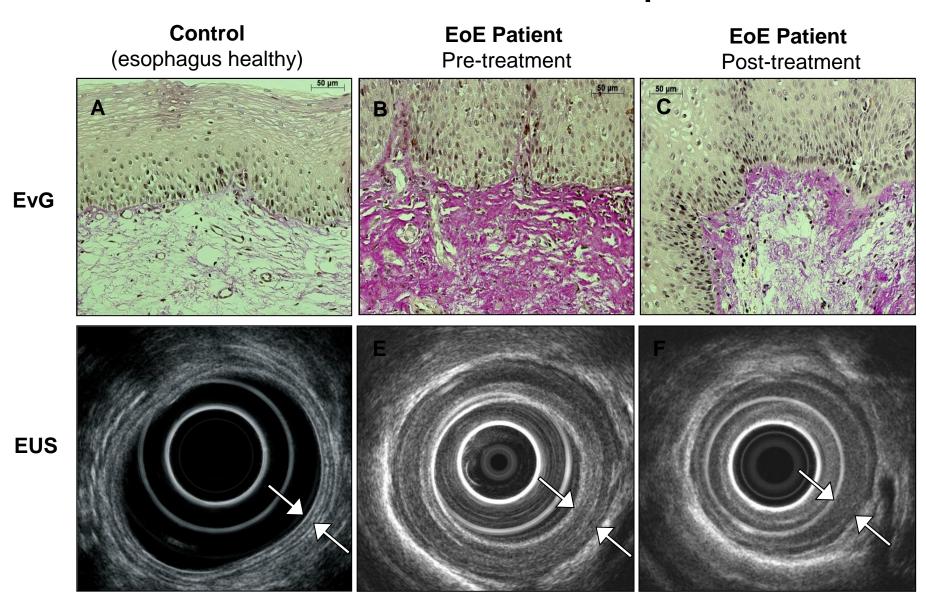






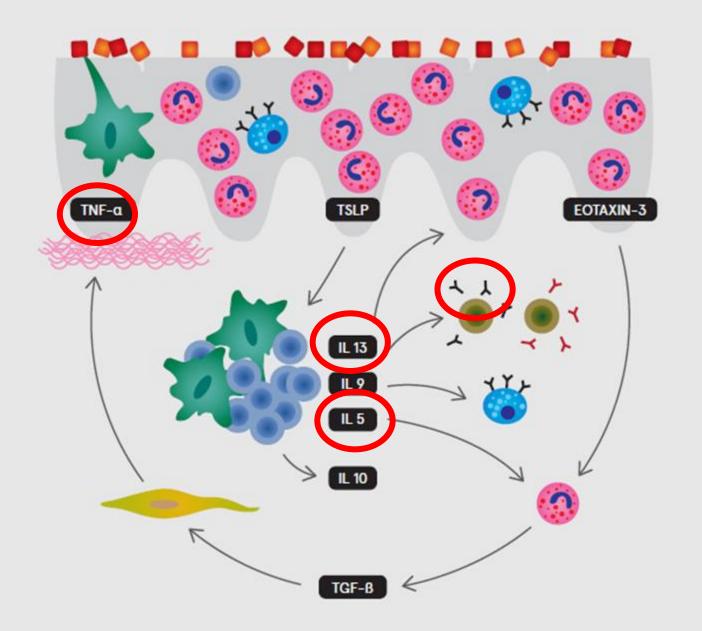
Median follow-up time 5 years

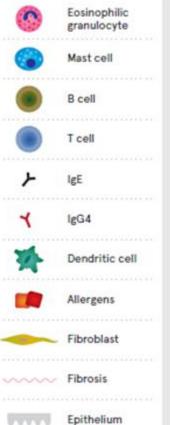
### Swallowed budesonide can reduce subepithelial fibrosis



Straumann et al. Clin Gastro Hepatol 2011

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## **DIETS**



### Most common food allergens

90% of IgE mediated allergies in young adults are caused by

- Cow's milk
- egg
- soy
- peanut / tree nuts
- wheat
- seafood





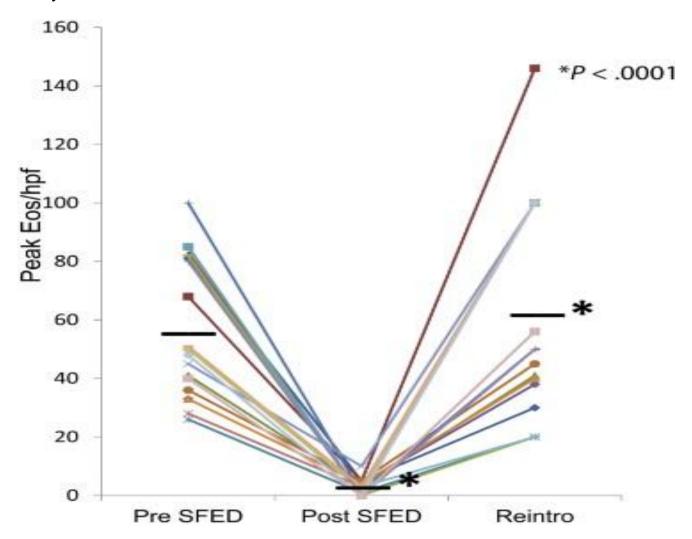








## Elimination Diet Effectively Treats Eosinophilic Esophagitis in Adults; Food Reintroduction Identifies Causative Factors





### Which is the best diet?

	Type of dietary therapy							
Item	Elemental diet	Targeted elimination diet	Empirical elimination diet					
Clinicopathological success rate	>80%	Children 50–70% Adults 20–30%	50-70%					
Number of eliminated foods	All food groups eliminated	Typically <6 foods eliminated	≤6 foods eliminated					
Common food triggers dentified	Not applicable	Milk, wheat, egg, soy	Milk, wheat, egg					
Number of endoscopies required	Multiple (one endoscopy per reintroduced food group)	Multiple (one endoscopy per reintroduced food group)	Multiple (one endoscopy per reintroduced food group)					
Drawbacks	Costly May require feeding tube May impact QoL	May impact QoL	May impact QoL					

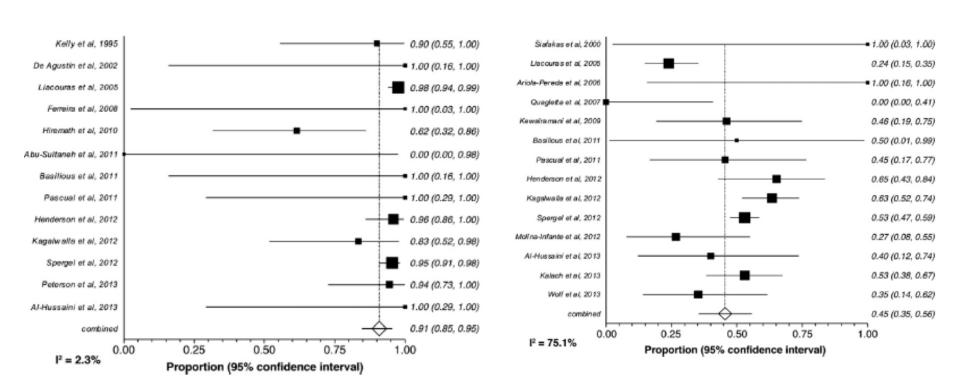


Table 2. Summary of Histologic Remission Rates and 95% CIs for the Different Dietary Treatment Options Published for Children and Adults With Eosinophilic Esophagitis<sup>a</sup>

Dietary treatment	Overall effect, %	n	Children, %	n	Adult, %	n
All	66.3 (56.9-75)	47	67.2 (55.9-77.5)	36	63.6 (47.8-77.9)	10
Elemental diets	90.8 (84.7-95.5)	13	90.4 (83.5-95.5)	12	94.4 (17/18)	1
Allergy testing-direct elimination diets	45.5 (35.4-55.7)	14	47.9 (36.8-59.1)	12	32.2 (17.8-48.7)	2
SFED	72.1 (65.8-78.1)	7	72.8 (62.5-82)	4	71.3 (61.7-80)	3
FFED	53.4 (35.7-70.6)	2	60 (9/15)	1	46.2 (6/13)	1
Gluten-free diet	58.7 (23.1-89.7)	7	45.5 (2.6-93.8)	4	88.8 (50.5-99.1)	2
Milk elimination diet	68.2 (47.8-85.6)	3	66.3 (44.7-84.8)	2	100 (1/1)	1
Others (soy-free diet)	100 (1/1)	1	100 (1/1)	1	_	_
Subgroups according to quality						
Medium/high to high	68.7 (57.8-78.7)	34	69.8 (56.4-81.6)	27	66.8 (48.7-82.7)	6
Low to medium/low	59 (37.5-78.7)	13	58.5 (32.2-82.3)	9	55.6 (27.5-81.8)	4
Subgroups according to type of publication						
Article	68.8 (57.7-79)	35	69.2 (56.4-80.8)	30	69.4 (48.4-86.8)	4
Abstract/poster	53.1 (45.2-60.9)	12	54.8 (45.5-64)	6	48.8 (34.4-63.2)	6
Subgroups according to design						
Prospective	62.4 (49.3-74.7)	16	61.2 (42.7-78.2)	11	65.5 (46.4-82.4)	5
Retrospective	61.3 (49.9-72.1)	31	69.4 (55.9-81.5)	25	59.4 (32.8-83.2)	5

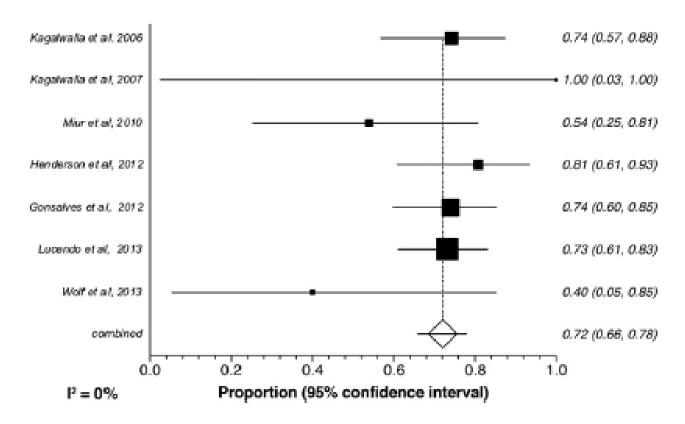
#### Elemental diet

## Allergy-testing based elimination diet

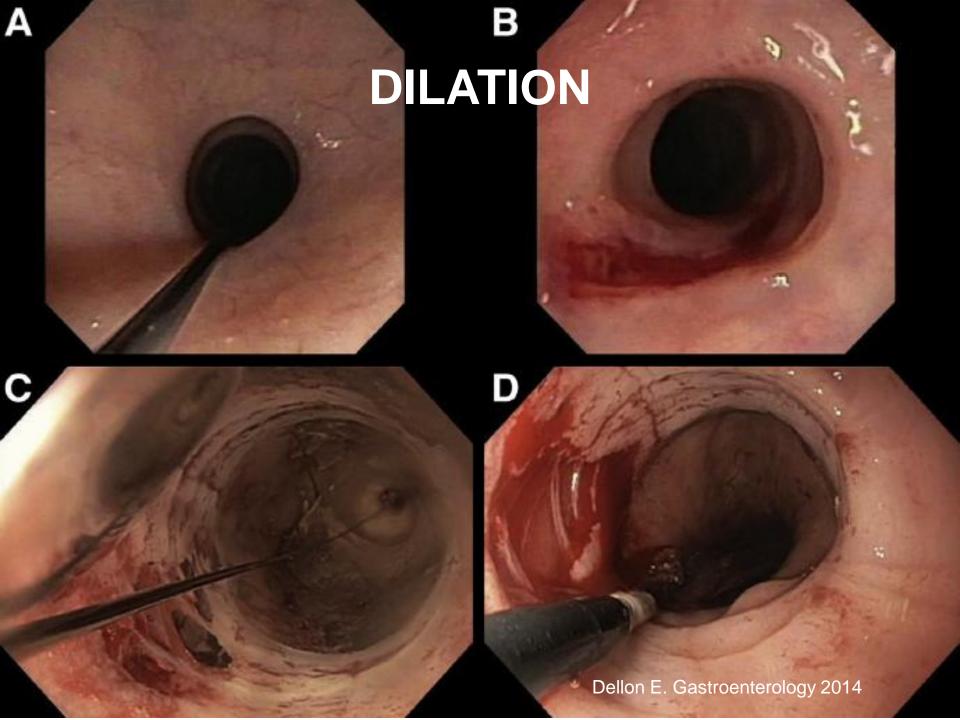


### Outcome: histologic remission

#### 6-food elimination diet



Outcome: histologic remission



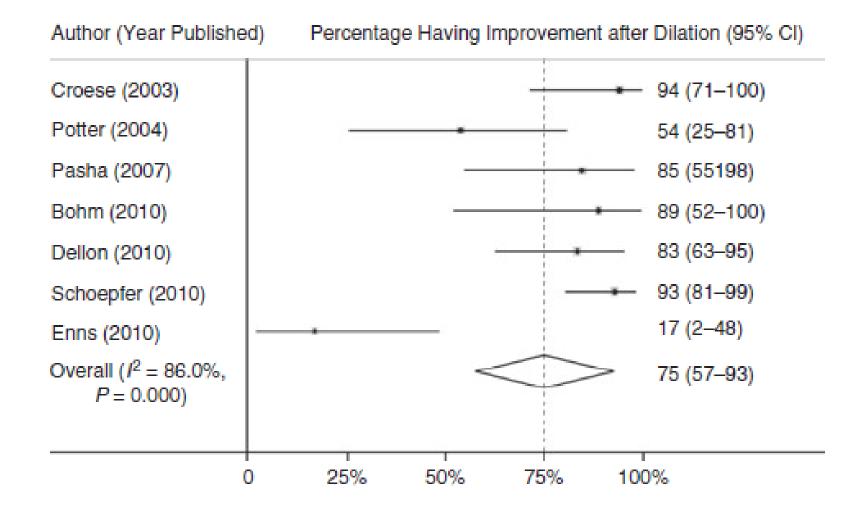
## Meta-analysis: the safety and efficacy of dilation in eosinophilic oesophagitis

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Table 1	Demographics, clinical	outcomes and com	iplications for eac	n stuay II	nciuaea in t	ne meta-analysis

Author	Year	EoE pts total	EoE pts dilated	Total # dilations	Mean age	Male (%)	Clinical improvement (%)	Duration of follow-up (mo)	Perforations	Haemorrhage	Chest pain (%)
Croese <sup>13</sup>	2003	31	17	58	34	77	94	NR	0	0	3.4
Potter <sup>35</sup>	2004	29	13	13	35	72	54	2.5	0	NR	NR
Pasha <sup>36</sup>	2007	42	13	13	44	74	85	NR	0	NR	NR
Bohm <sup>34</sup>	2010	16	9	11	41	75	89	22	0	NR	8.3
Dellon <sup>18</sup>	2010	124	36	70	26	76	83	NR	0	NR	4.2
Schoepfer <sup>8</sup>	2010	207	207	453	44	80	93	15	0	0	7.2
Enns <sup>37</sup>	2010	54	15	15	43	76	17	12	0	NR	NR
Jung <sup>38</sup>	2011	161	161	293	44	70	NR	NR	3	1	3
Ally <sup>19</sup>	2012	196	54	66	41	85	NR	NR	0	0	4

NR, not reported; mo, month.



#### Conclusions

Dilation in patients with eosinophilic oesophagitis is a safe procedure with a low rate of serious complications (<1%), and seems to result in at least a short-term improvement of symptoms in the majority of patients.

## **Pro / Cons of different therapies**

Modality	Advantages	Shortcomings
Drugs - STC - Biologic therapies	<ul><li>Effective</li><li>No dietary restriction</li><li>Favorable safety profile</li></ul>	<ul> <li>No FDA-approved drugs yet on the market</li> <li>Long-term side effects / safety unknown</li> <li>Costs, availability, limited clinical efficacy</li> </ul>
Diets	<ul><li>Non-pharmacologic, effective treatment option</li><li>Antifibrotic</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Repetitive EGDs may be necessary (up to 10x)</li> <li>Needs motivated patient</li> </ul>
Dilation	Long-lasting symptom improvement	<ul> <li>No influence on underlying inflammation</li> <li>Post-dilational pain</li> <li>(safety)</li> </ul>

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## Take home messages

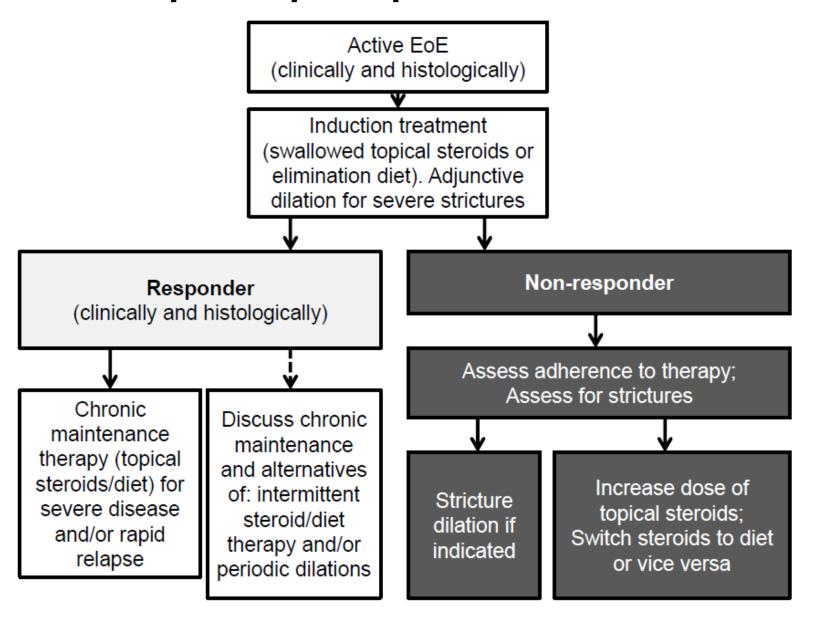
- there is no «one fits all» therapy
- before you initiate a therapy you should
  - assess the EoE phenotype
  - ask patient about preferences
  - decide how you assess treatment success
- Therapy options: drugs, diets, and dilation
- Unmet needs: many (longterm efficacy and safety data, biologics, etc)







### Therapeutic principles in EoE in 2016



## Reslizumab in children and adolescents with eosinophilic esophagitis: Results of a double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled trial

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- reslizumab = anti-IL5 antibody
- included: patients with moderate to severe symptoms and
   ≥24 eos/hpf
- randomized to perfusions with reslizumab 1, 2, or 3mg/kg at weeks 0, 4, 8, and 12
- primary endpoints: changes in peak eos counts and physician global assessment at week 15 (end of therapy)



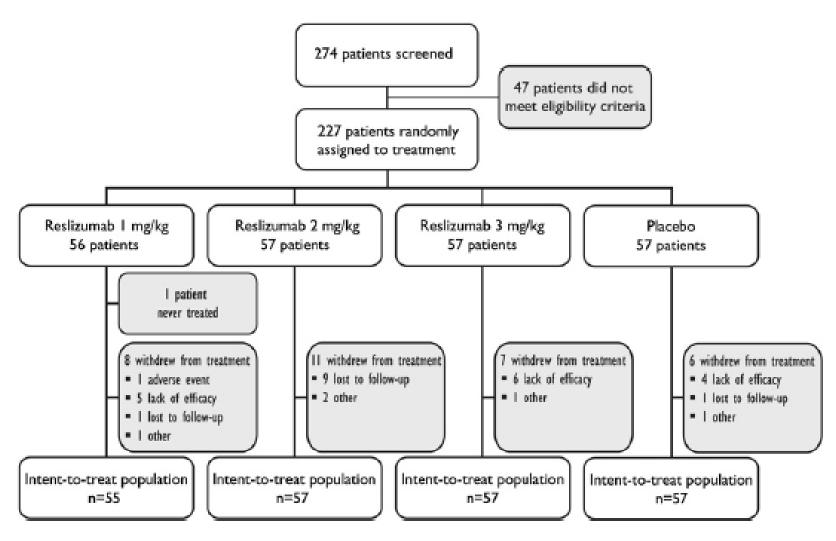
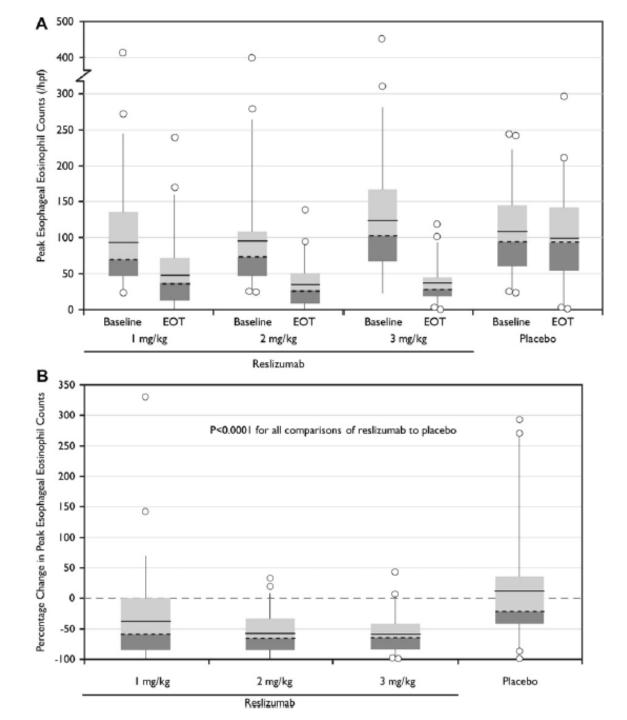


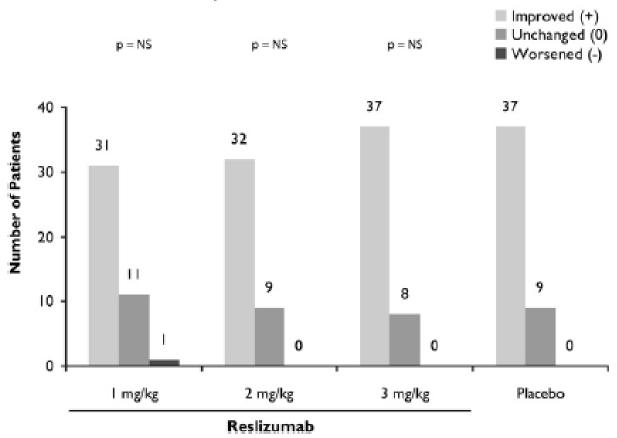
FIG 1. Randomization scheme and disposition of patients.







#### Physician's Global Assessment





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p = NS p = NS | Improved (+) | Unchanged (0) | Worsened (-)

- reslizumab significantly reduced eos counts in patients with active EoE
- all treatment groups showed symptom improvements and these were not associated with changes in esophageal eosinophil counts



## Prevalence of food allergies

Allergen	Prevalence	Remarks	Refer.
All	6-8% at one year 3-4% at age 14-16	Higher prevalence for IgE compared to symptoms	1,2
Cow milk	2-3% until age 2 yrs	Most often outgrown, high IgE correlated to lower chance for outgrow	3
Hen's egg	1-2% until age 2 yrs	Mostly outgrown with childhood	4
Peanut / tree nut	0.5-1.4% of children 0.5-1% of general pop.	Mostly lifelong disorder	5
wheat	0.4-1% of children	Mostly outgrown in childhood	6

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