

# **DYSPEPSIA**

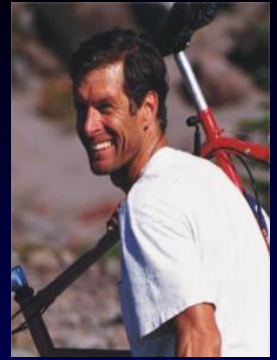


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# Case

- A 28yr white male, presents with a **1 year history of Epigastric pain ( sometimes associated with meals ), which is getting worse** despite Antacid therapy.
- He is a non smoker, social drinker, family history of coronary artery disease and colon cancer.
- He has **occasional heartburn, no nausea, no vomiting, no early satiety, and no alarm S/S.**
- He enjoys spicy foods.





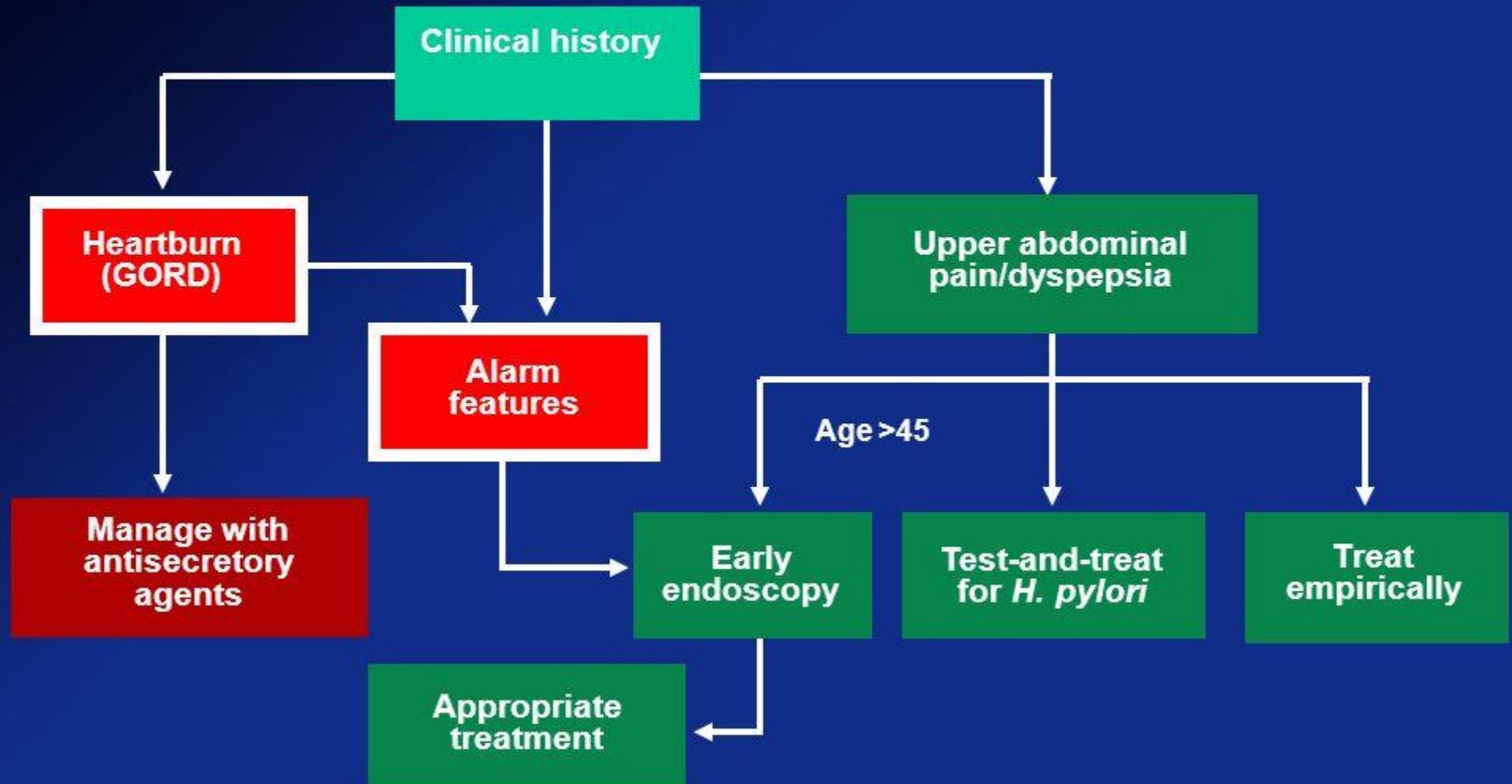
# What will you do ?

- 1) Endoscope
- 2) Test and Treat for Hp
- 3) Empiric PPI therapy
- 4) Anti Depressants
- 5) Other

# Case

- What if the same patient was 50 yrs old ?

# Management of upper GI symptoms in primary care



# Outline

- **Definitions-Dyspepsia,Functional,Uninvestigated**
- **Clusters of Symptoms**
- **Major Organic causes**
- **Functional**
- **Approach to Uninvestigated Dyspepsia**
- **Management.**

## Functional Gastroduodenal Disorders

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## ACG and CAG Clinical Guideline: Management of Dyspepsia

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

# Global prevalence of, and risk factors for, uninvestigated dyspepsia: a meta-analysis

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# INTRODUCTION

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## Rome IV—Functional GI Disorders: Disorders of Gut-Brain Interaction



*Douglas A. Drossman*



*William L. Hasler*

# Dyspepsia

## Definition:

*Chronic or recurrent pain or discomfort centered in the upper abdomen*

Talley NJ, Vakil N. Practice Parameters Committee of the American College of Gastroenterology. Guidelines for the management of dyspepsia. Am J Gastroenterology 2005

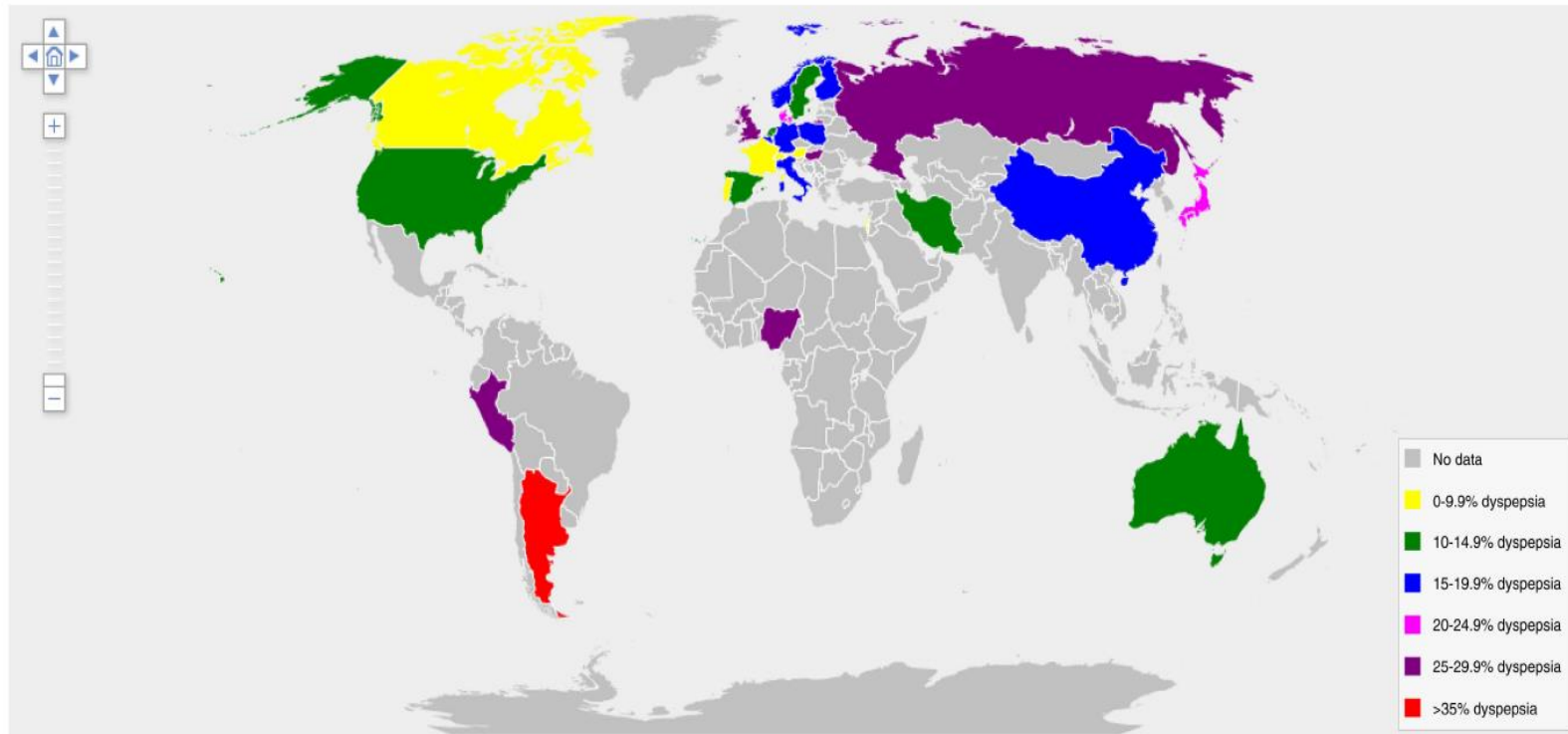
# Dyspepsia – ROME III

## Definition

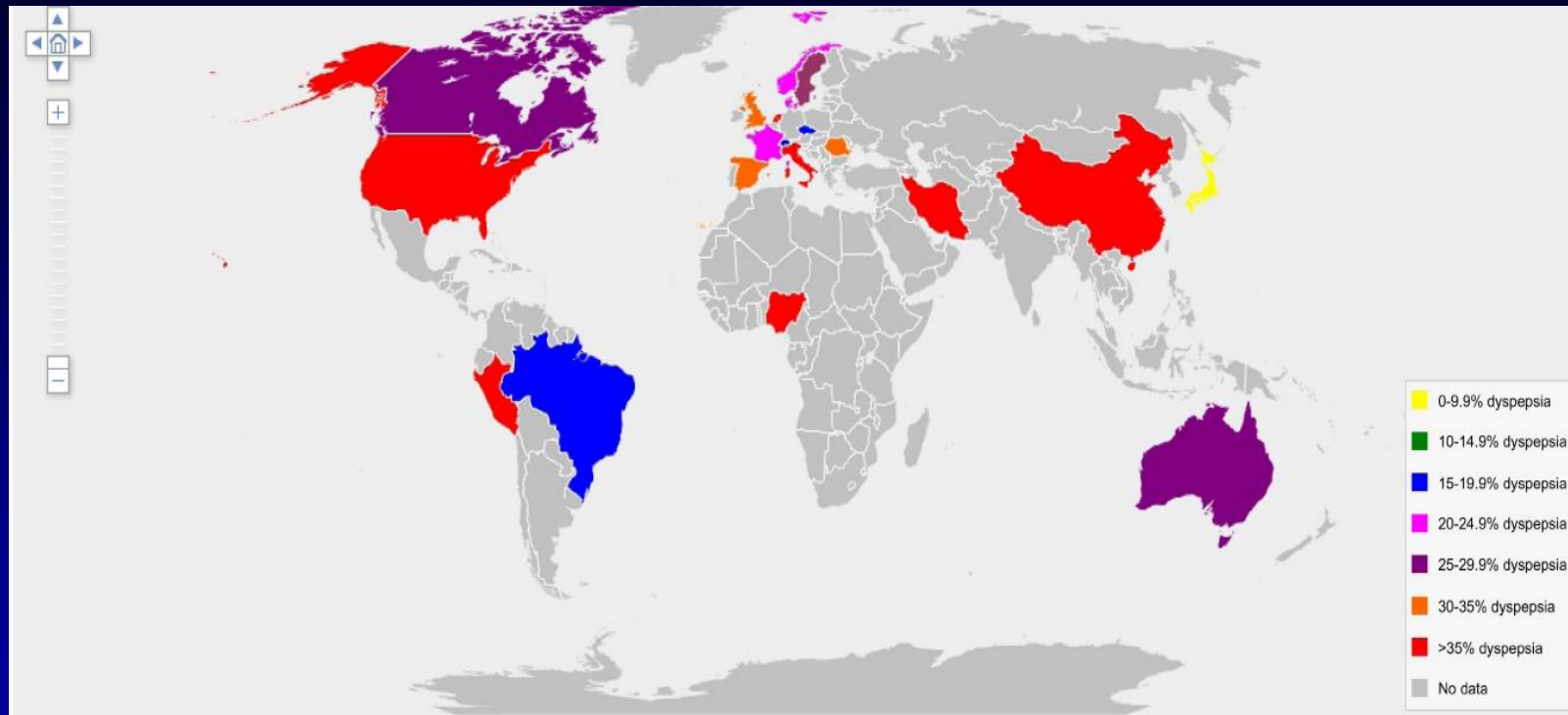
*Dyspepsia is defined as the presence of 1 or more dyspepsia symptoms that are considered to originate from the gastroduodenal region*

*One or more of the following symptoms:*

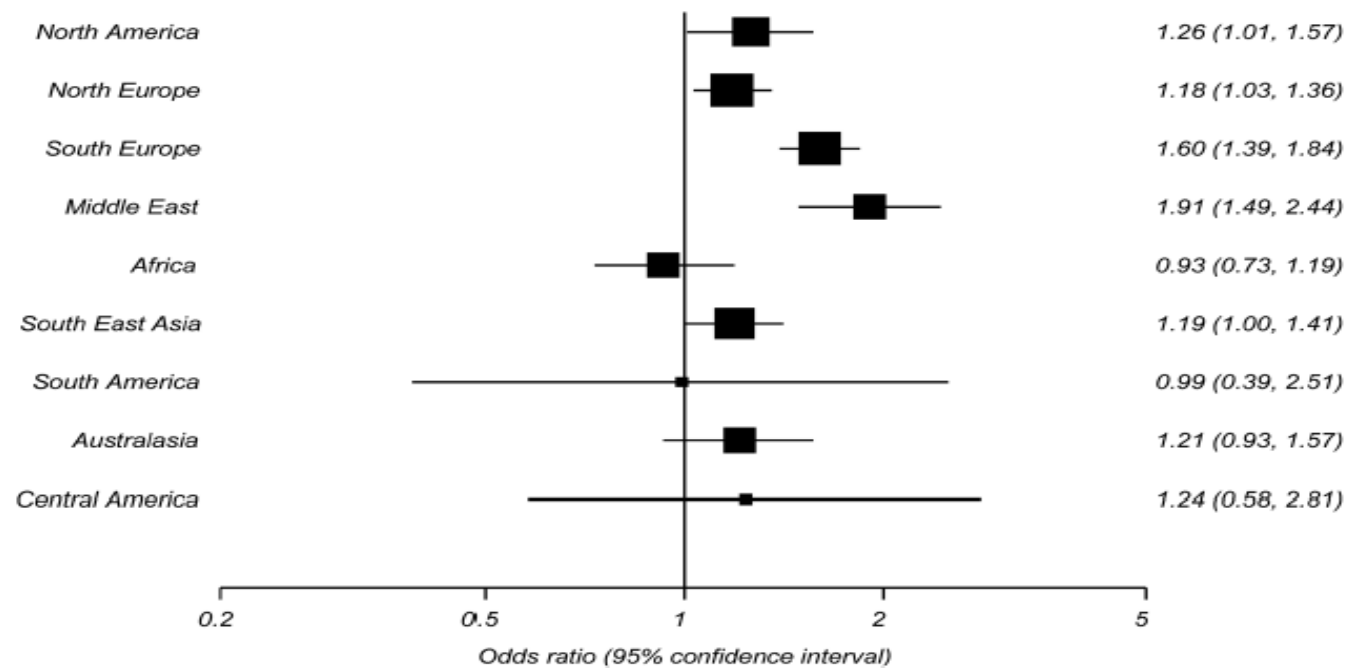
- 1. Post prandial fullness*
- 2. Early Satiety*
- 3. Epigastric pain*
- 4. Epigastric Burning*



**Figure 2** Prevalence of uninvestigated dyspepsia worldwide using upper abdominal or epigastric pain or discomfort.



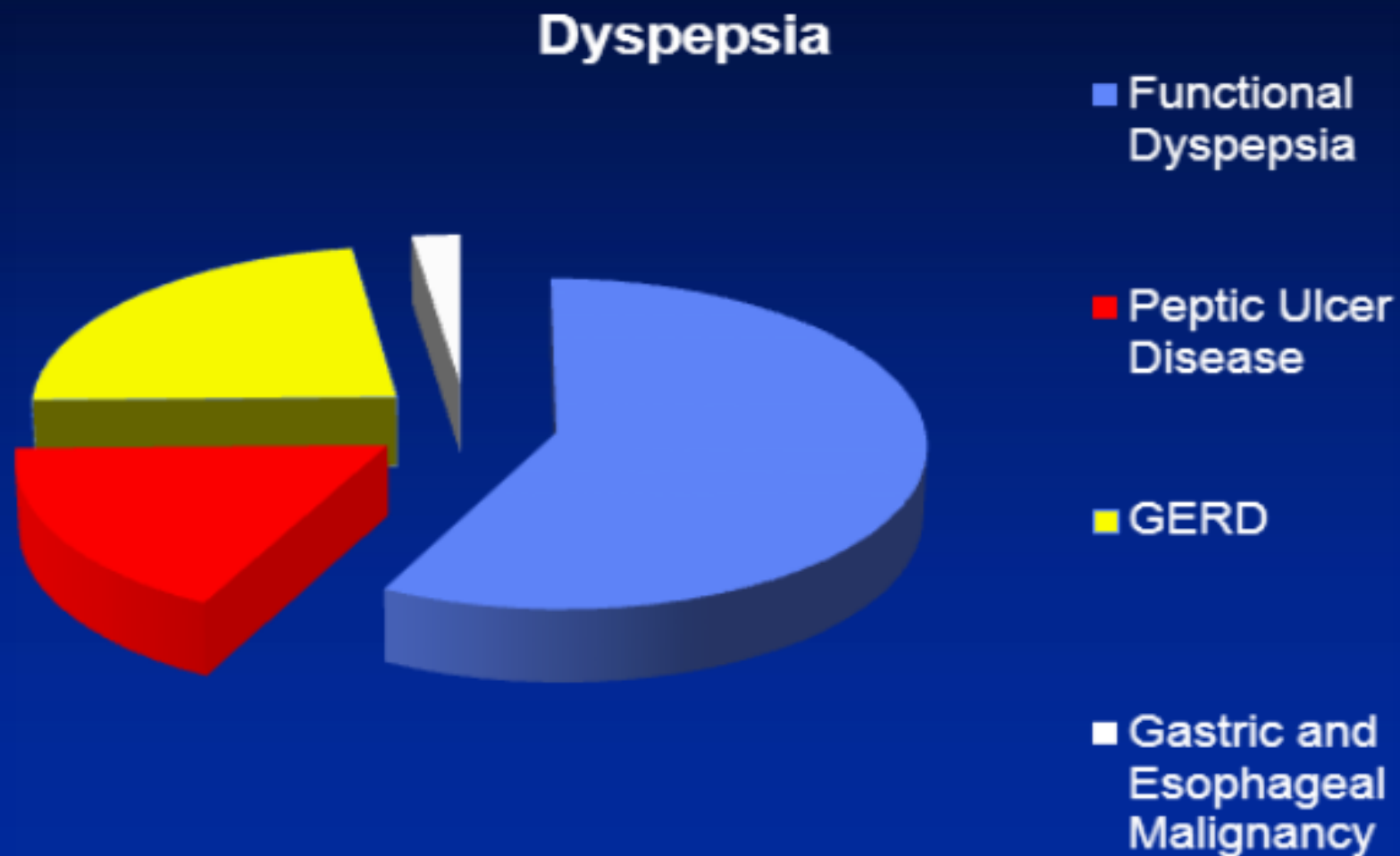
**Figure 1** Prevalence of uninvestigated dyspepsia worldwide using a broad definition.



**Figure 4** OR for uninvestigated dyspepsia in women versus men according to geographical location.



# Common causes of Dyspepsia



# Peptic Ulcer Disease and Dyspepsia

- 5-15% of patients with dyspepsia
- Declining in prevalence

## Risk Factors

1. Increasing age
2. NSAID use
3. H pylori infection

# Heartburn or Dyspepsia

- Considerable overlap noted b/w GERD and Dyspepsia
- Up to 27 % of pts with GERD have associated dyspepsia
- Patients suffering from both GERD and Dyspepsia had higher symptom intensity scores

## Malignancy and Dyspepsia

- Estimated to be about 1% of dyspeptic pts (gastric and esophageal)
- Declining incidence of gastric cancer
- Presence of symptoms indicative of advanced disease (32%)
- Alarm features and age limited predictive value

# Pancreatic and Biliary Tract

- Cholelithiasis not associated with “classic” dyspepsia symptoms
- Pancreatic disorders may be found in some patients with unexplained dyspepsia



# Intolerance to Food or Drugs

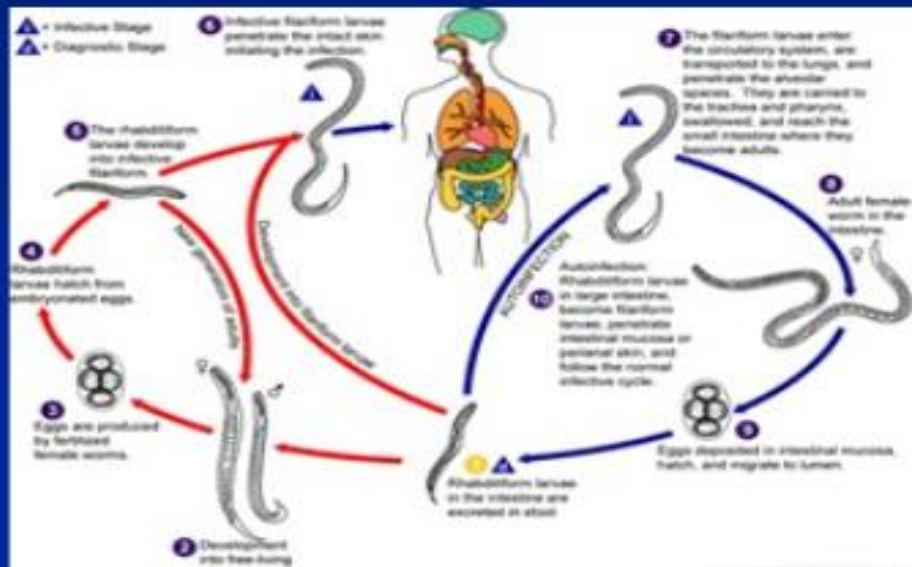
- Ingestion of foods such as spices, coffee, alcohol or excess food not associated with dyspepsia (except when it is)
- Effect related to sensorimotor responses to food
- Common side effect of many medications

# Medications and dyspepsia

- Acarbose
- ASA
- Colchicine
- Digitalis
- Estrogens
- Ethanol
- Gemfibrozil
- Glucocorticoids
- *Iron*
- Levodopa
- Niacin
- Narcotics
- Nitrates
- Orlistat
- Potassium chloride
- Quinidine
- Sildenafil
- Theophylline

# Things to think about

- Infectious ( Strongyloides stercoralis, TB, syphilis, fungal)
- Inflammatory Diseases
- Infiltrative Diseases
- Ischemia
- Pregnancy
- Hyperparathyroidism







# Functional Dyspepsia

## Definition

*Dyspepsia is defined as the presence of 1 or more dyspepsia symptoms that are considered to originate from the gastroduodenal region, in the absence of any organic, systemic, or metabolic disease that is likely to explain the symptoms.*

Tack J, Talley NJ, Camilleri M, et al. Functional gastroduodenal disorders. *Gastroenterology*. 2006;130:1466-1479.

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## B. Gastroduodenal Disorders

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### B1. Functional dyspepsia

B1a. Postprandial distress syndrome (PDS)

B1b. Epigastric pain syndrome (EPS)

### B2. Belching disorders

B2a. Excessive supragastric belching

B2b. Excessive gastric belching

### B3. Nausea and vomiting disorders

B3a. Chronic nausea vomiting syndrome (CNVS)

B3b. Cyclic vomiting syndrome (CVS)

B3c. Cannabinoid hyperemesis syndrome (CHS)

### B4. Rumination syndrome

## Diagnostic Criteria for Functional Dyspepsia and Subgroups (Rome III)

### 1. One or more:

- a) Bothersome postprandial fullness
- b) Early satiety
- c) Epigastric pain
- d) Epigastric burning

**AND**

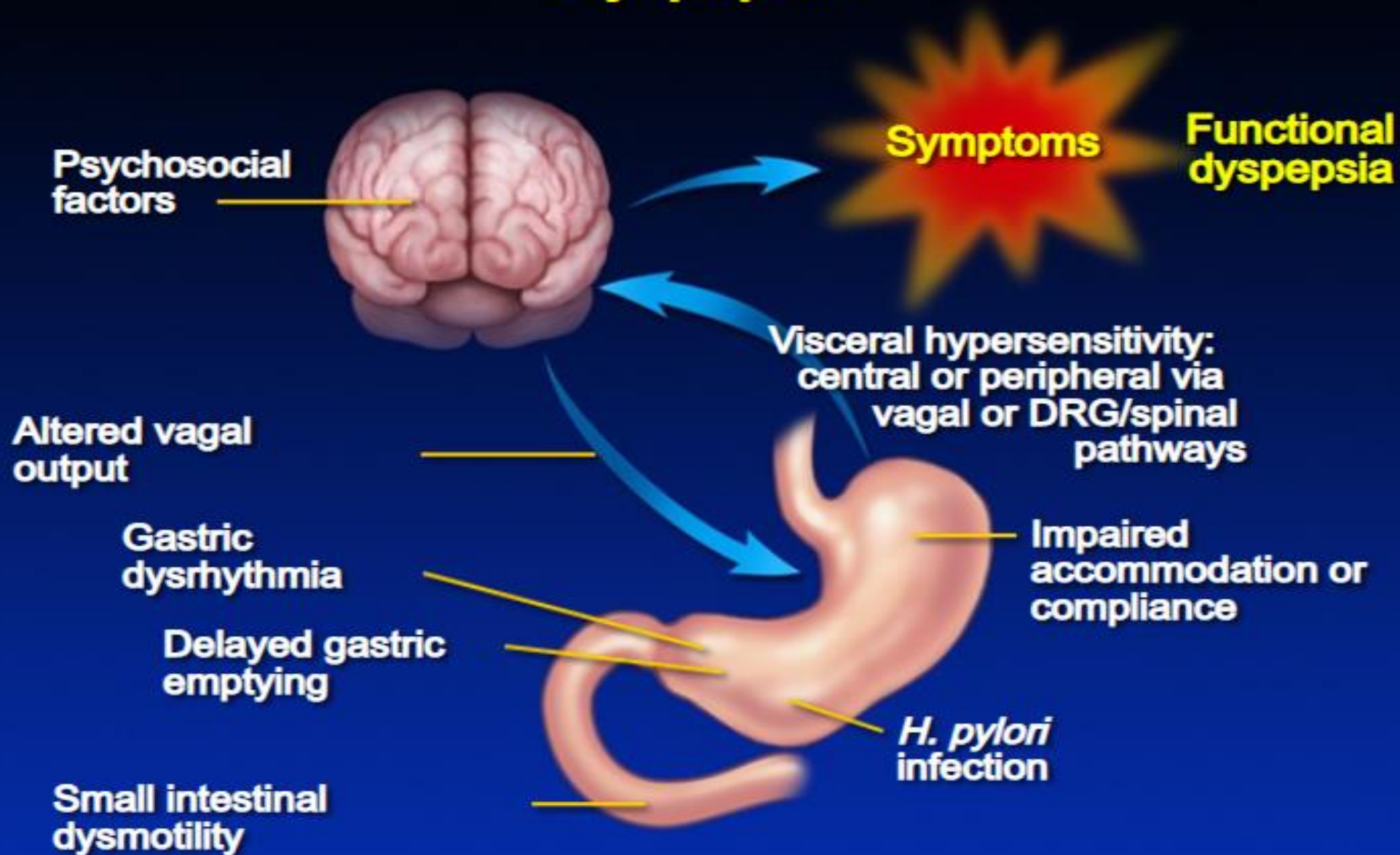
### 2. No structural disease to explain symptoms

**Postprandial distress  
syndrome**

**Epigastric pain  
syndrome**

*\*All criteria must be fulfilled for the last 3 months with symptom onset at least 6 months before diagnosis*

# Pathophysiologic Mechanisms in Functional Dyspepsia





## Duodenal Sensitivity

- Duodenal perfusion with lipids enhances perception of gastric distention

Ishii et al 2010

- 44 FD / 16 control
- 11 PDS / 9 EPS / 24 PDS and EPS
- Transnasal endoscopy after overnight fast with injection of acid
- Increase in symptom severity scale in FD patients
- Bloating , Early Satiety and Heavy sensation in stomach most commonly reported in FD

# Duodenal Sensitivity

**Futagami et al - 2011**

**136 FD patients      20 controls**

- **35 PI / 36 EPS /65 PDS**
- **Duodenal biopsies → elevated Eos/Macrophages**
- **Degree of involvement was correlated with epigastric pain/burning**

## Infection and FD

- Mearin et al –Outbreak of Salmonella 271 affected – 335 controls
- Compared development of FD between affected and non affected over the course of 1 year
- 14% developed Post Infectious FD
- Prolonged abdominal pain and vomiting predictive of FD



# Psychological Factors and FD

- Frequency of anxiety, depression , somatization, abuse increased in FD pts
- Increased number of stressful life events 6 months prior to development of symptoms



# Uninvestigated Dyspepsia

## Definition

*Dyspeptic symptoms in persons in whom no diagnostic investigations have yet been performed and in whom a specific diagnosis that explains the dyspeptic symptoms has not been determined*

# History and Physical

- Nature of symptoms
- Chronicity
- Relationship with meals
- Onset (recent infections?)
- Systemic disorders
- Alarm features
- Abdominal pain
- Abdominal mass
- Organomegaly
- Ascites
- FOB

# Alarm features

**Unexplained weight loss  
(>10%)**

**Overt Bleeding**

**Anemia**

**Early satiety**

**Previous hx of gastric  
surgery**

**Jaundice**

**Progressive  
dysphagia**

**Odynophagia**

**Persistent vomiting**

**Previous PUD**

**Lymphadenopathy**

**Abdominal Mass**

**Family hx of UGI  
malignancy**



# Alarm Features

- **Meta analysis of 15 studies**
  - **57,363 pts / 458 with malignancy**
1. **Low positive predictive value <10**
  2. **High negative predictive value 97%**
  3. **Varying thresholds to determine whether alarm feature present**

Vakil N, Moayyedi P, Fennerty MB, Talley NJ. **Limited value of alarm features in the diagnosis of upper gastrointestinal malignancy: systematic review and meta-analysis.** Gastroenterology

2006

# Age

**“Age threshold should be assessed locally based on known regional correlation between age and incidence of upper GI malignancies”**

**Breslin et al - retrospective study of 3634 pts**

- Less than 45 yrs old with no alarm features
- 3 gastric cancers, 10 Barrett's, 1 moderate dysplasia
- Prevalence 1.05 / 1000

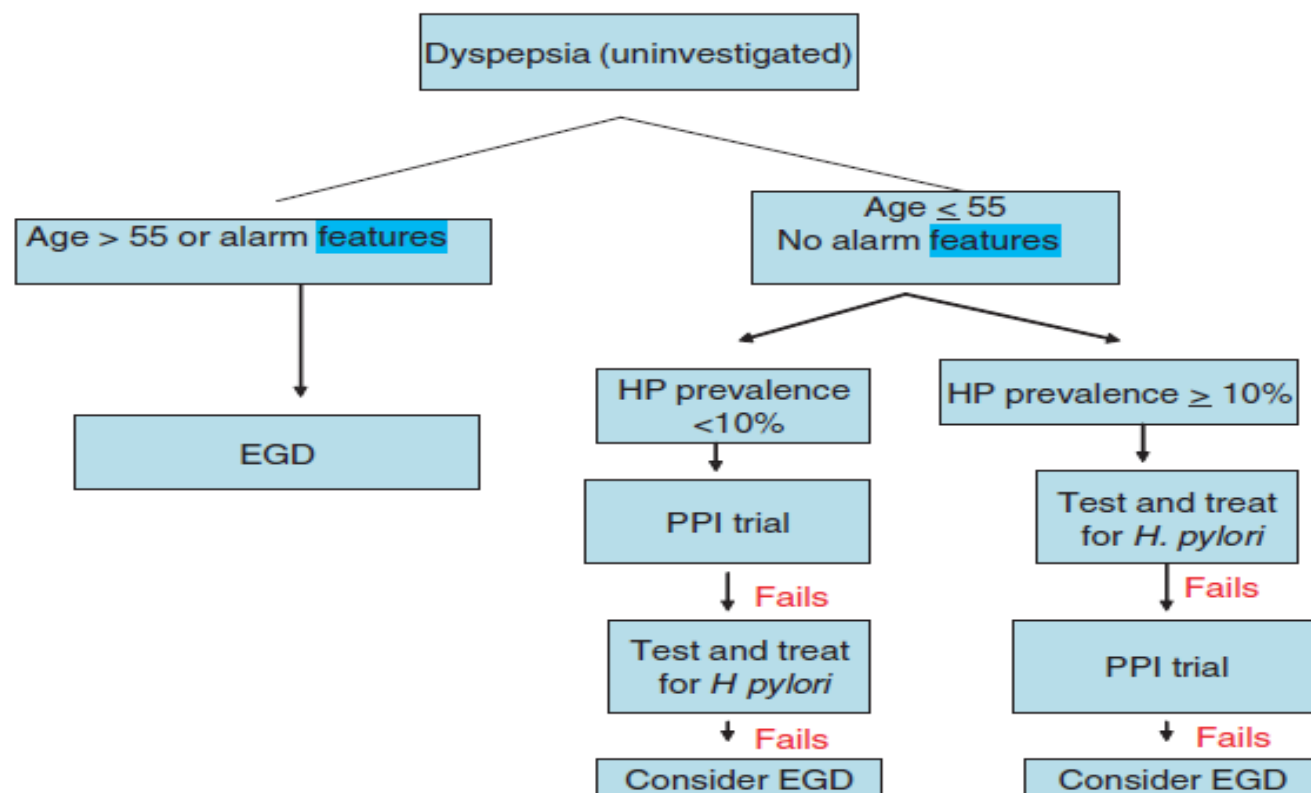
**Liou JM et al – retrospective study of 17894 pts with dyspepsia**

- 225 (Gastric Cancer) , 111 ( alarm symptoms), 11 ( age <45) (9.9%)

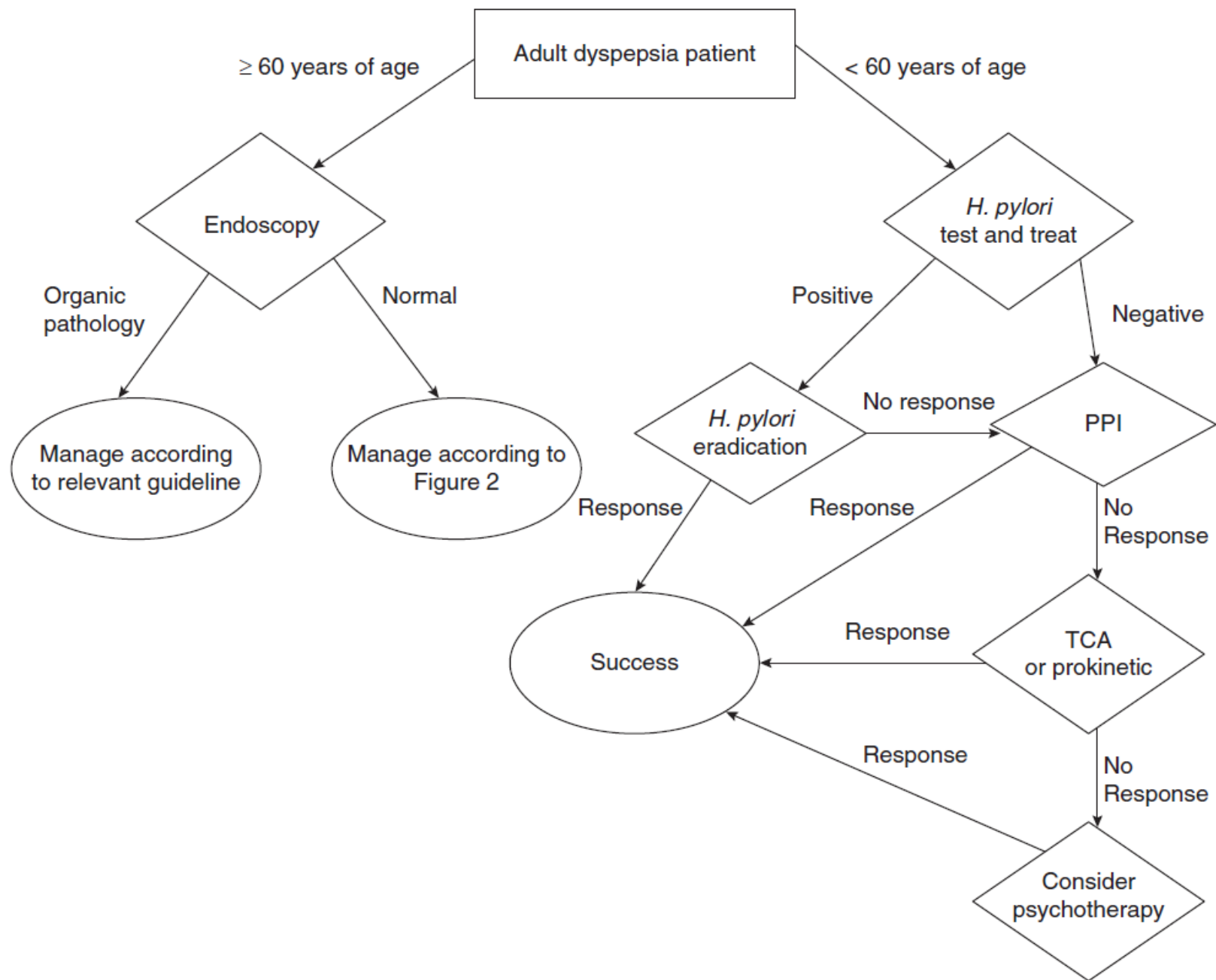




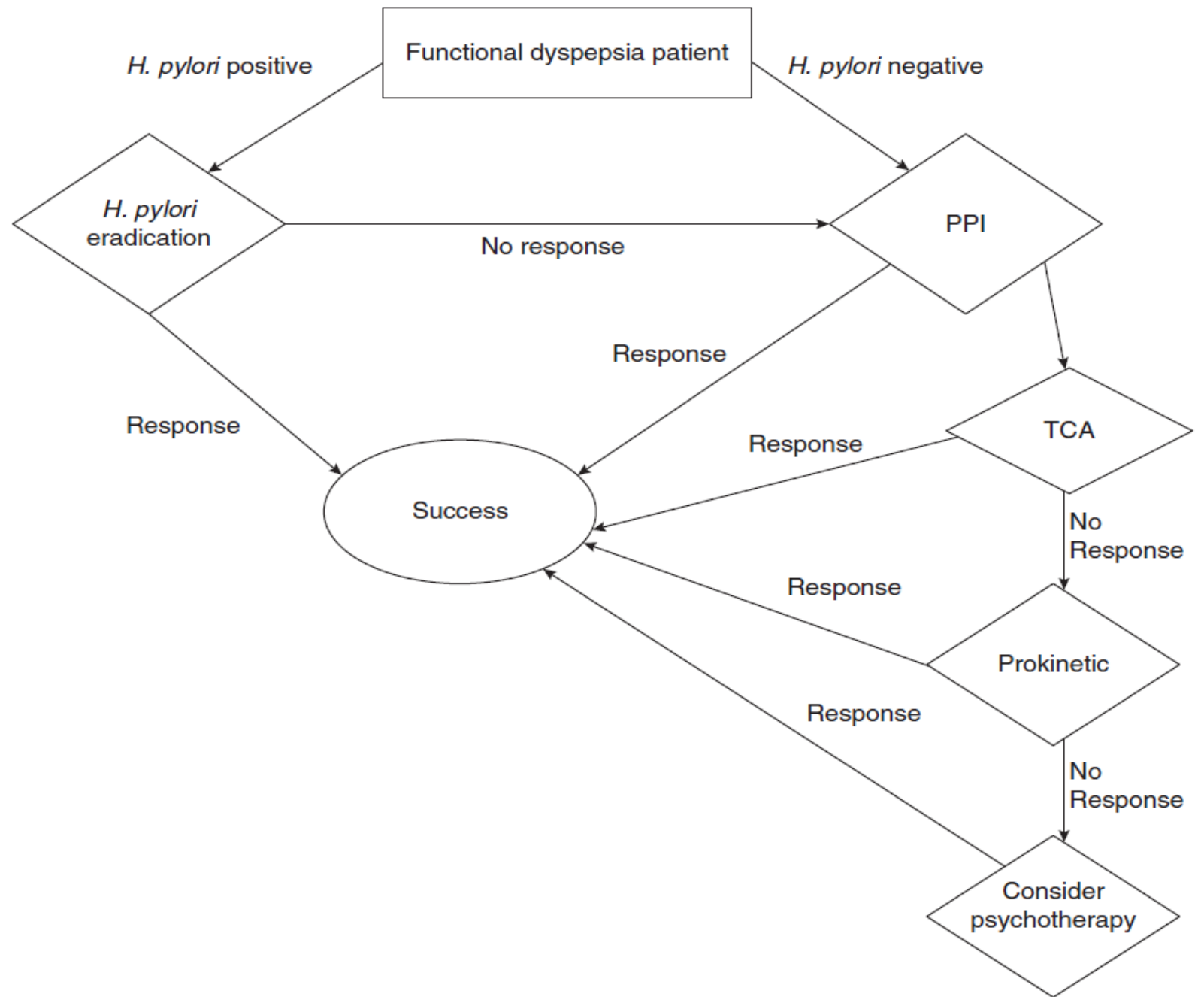
# ACG Dyspepsia management



**Figure 1.** Algorithm for the management of uninvestigated dyspepsia



**Figure 1.** Algorithm for the management of undiagnosed dyspepsia.



**Figure 2.** Algorithm for the treatment of functional dyspepsia.

# Prompt Endoscopy

- **FIRST CHOICE**  
Delaney et al
  - 1) Significant improvement in symptom scores
  - 2) 48% reduction in PPI use
  - 3) Reduced further investigations.
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- Delaney , Cochrane Library , Volume 4 , 2008

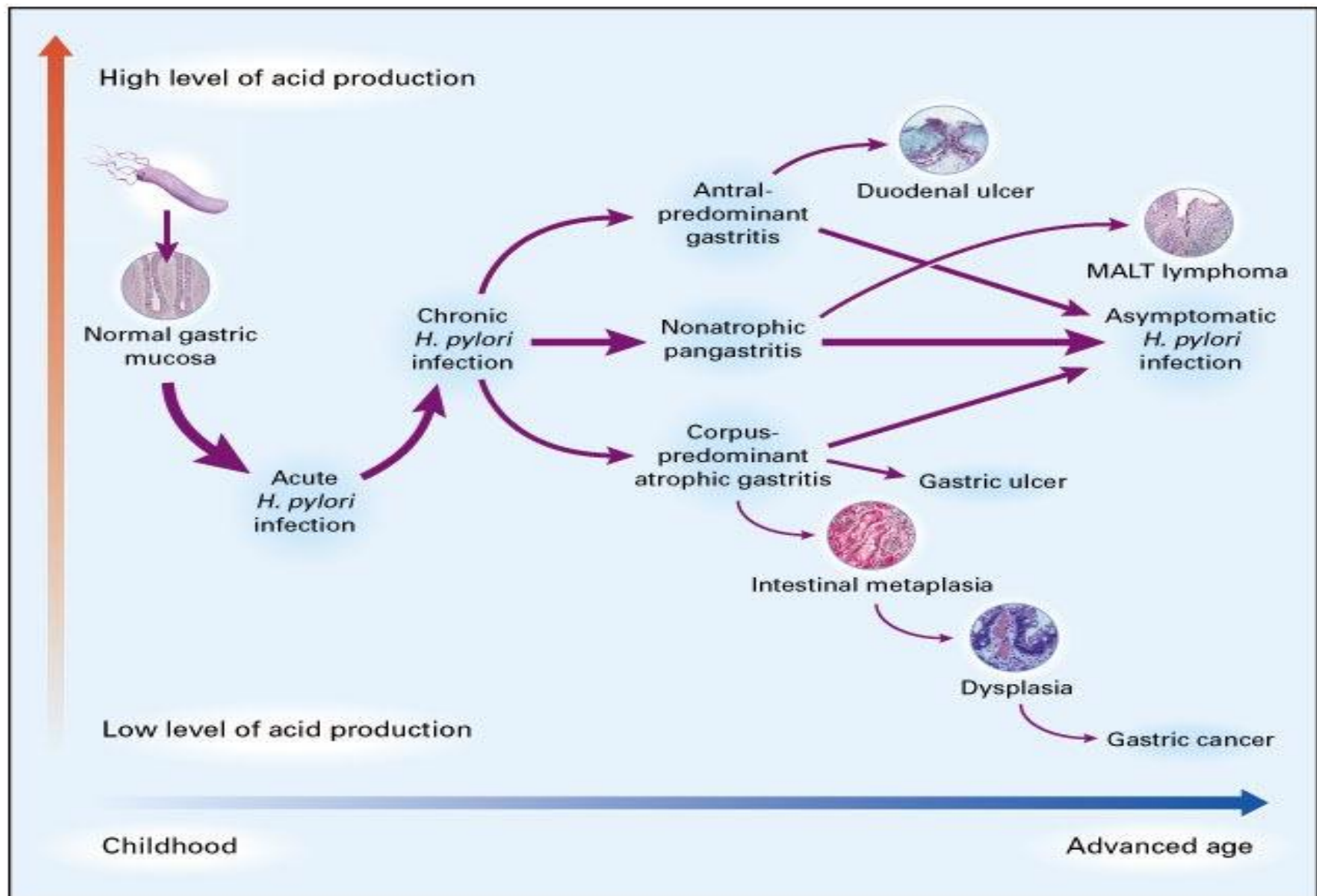
# **Disadvantages - Endoscopy**

- **Invasive procedure with inherent risks**
- **Young pts without warning symptoms unlikely to have organic disease**
- **Most common finding is esophagitis**
- **Expensive**



# Test and Treat vs Endoscopy

- **Ford et al – Meta analysis 1924 patients**
  1. The relative risk of remaining symptomatic after 1 year was reduced with endoscopy compared with “test and treat” (RR = 0.95)
  2. Endoscopy Not cost effective
- **Cochrane review, 2008**
  1. Test and treat reduced EGD by 66%
  2. Test and treat more cost effective





ARTICLES

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helicobacter-induced gastric atrophy

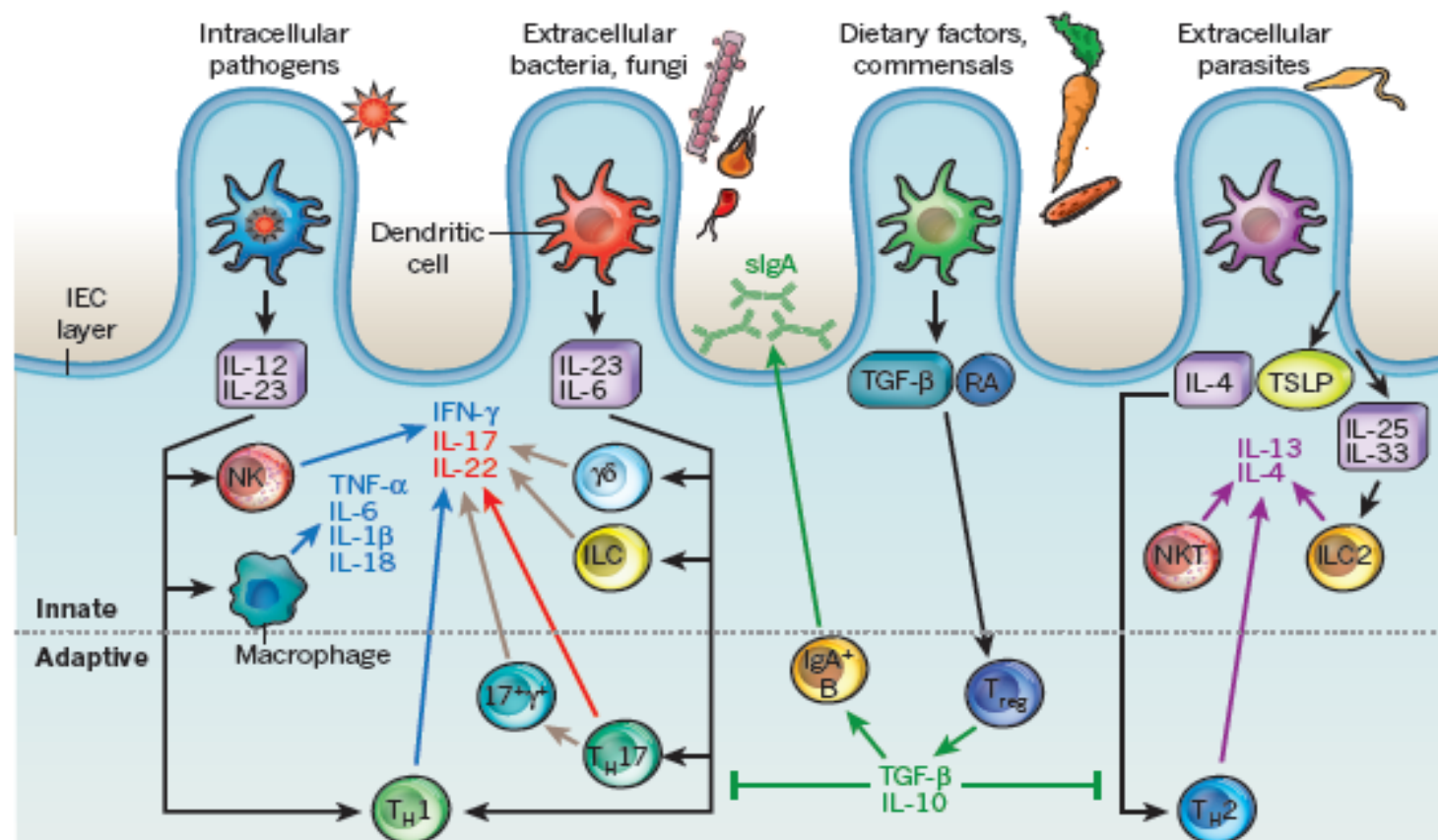
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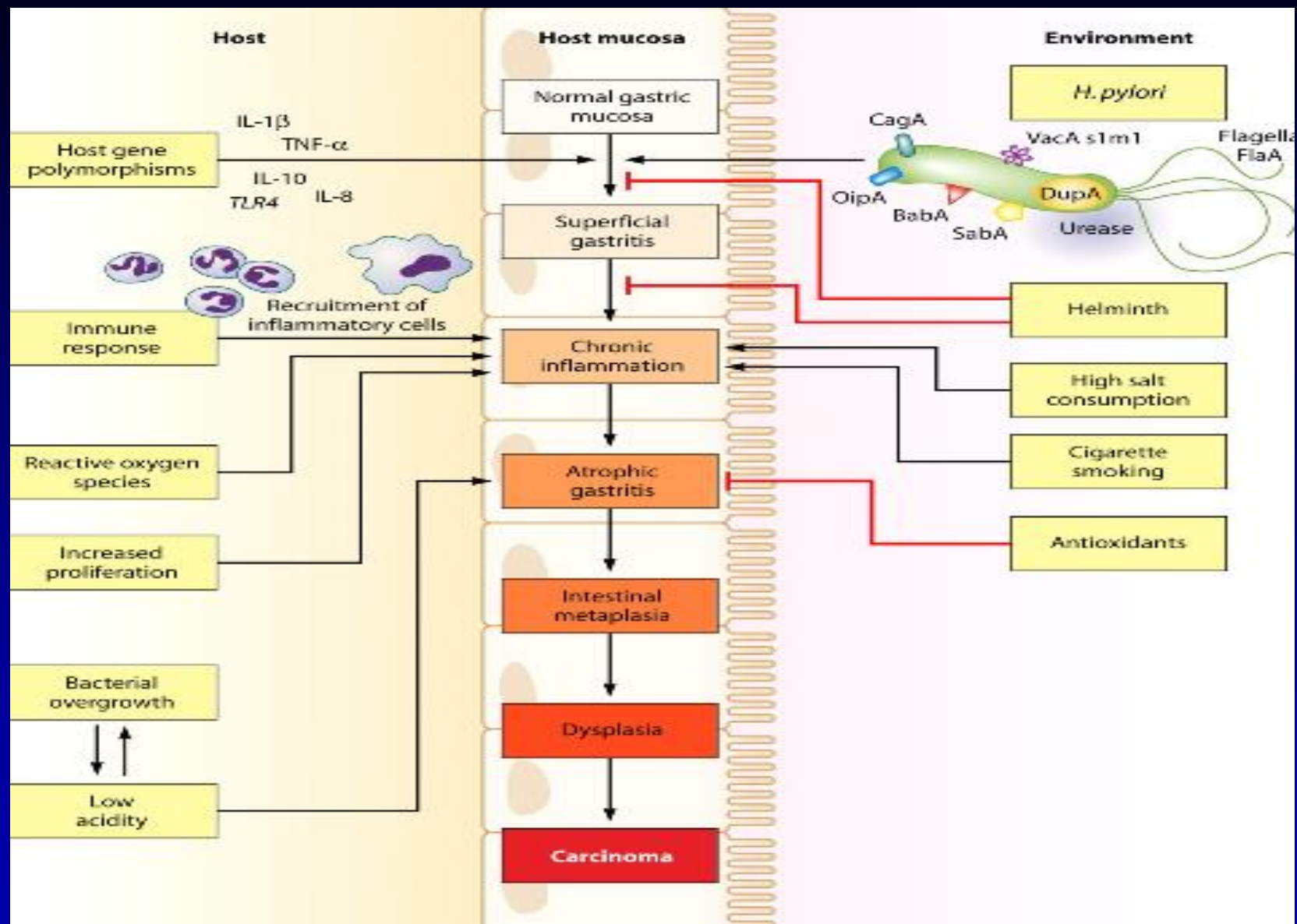
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HAI NING SHI<sup>2</sup> & CATHRYN NAGLER-ANDERSON<sup>2</sup>

# HOST

- Developed Countries: HP → Th1 → **mucosal damage**  
Developing Countries: HP → Th2 → **mucosal protecting**
- **Fox: Pretreated animal – protozoal response to Helicobacter infection shifted from Th1 → Th2**

INSIGHT REVIEW





# H.Pylori - Soweto

Acid- H.Pylori -

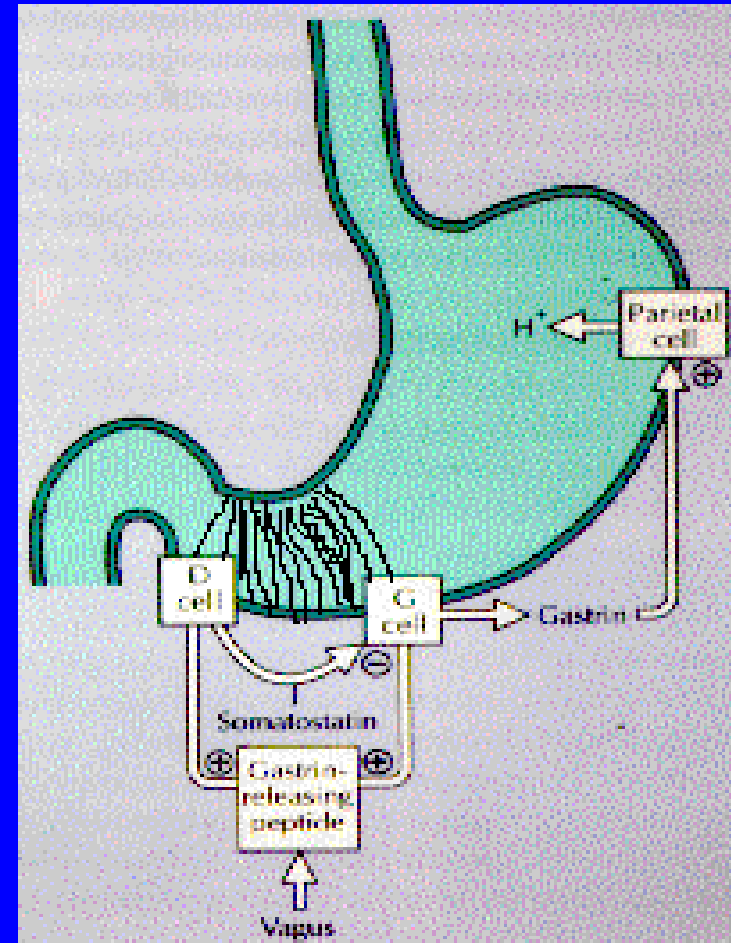
A.Lee/MacColl

Antral Predominant Gastritis

→ ↑ Gastrin

→ ↑ Acid

→ Ulcer



# H.Pylori - Soweto

## Acid - H.Pylori

### Corpus

Predominant/Pangastritis

→ Low Gastrin

→ Low Acid

→ Atrophy

→ I.M.

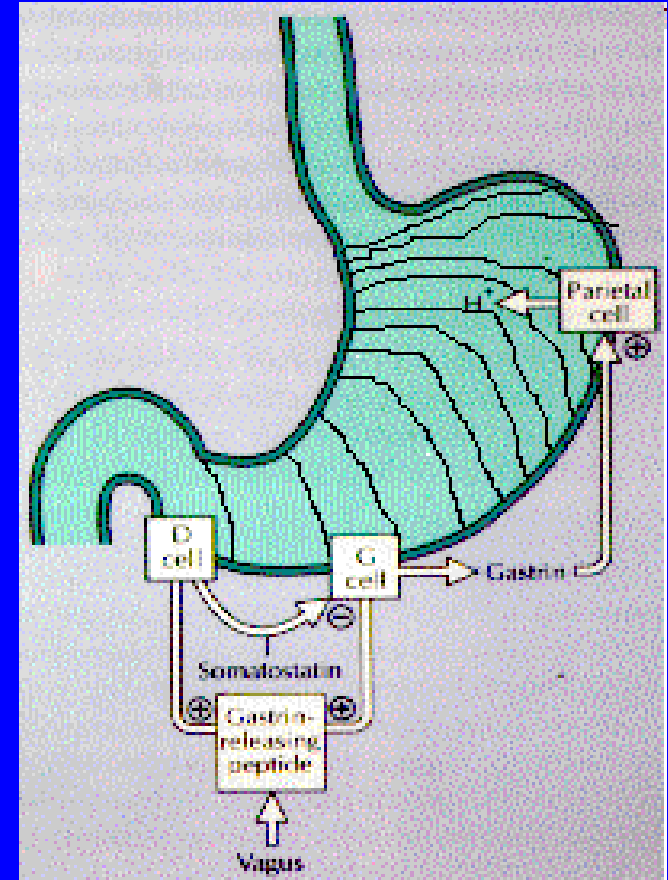
→ Cancer

Acid  $\equiv$  Gastrin; Pepsinogen A/C Ratio

PGA < 70ng/m

PGA/PGC < 3

}  $\equiv$  Atrophy







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## Kyoto global consensus report on *Helicobacter pylori* gastritis

Kentaro Sugano,<sup>1</sup> Jan Tack,<sup>2</sup> Ernst J Kuipers,<sup>3</sup> David Y Graham,<sup>4</sup> Emad M El-Omar,<sup>5</sup> Soichiro Miura,<sup>6</sup> Ken Haruma,<sup>7</sup> Masahiro Asaka,<sup>8</sup> Naomi Uemura,<sup>9</sup> Peter Malfertheiner,<sup>10</sup> on behalf of faculty members of Kyoto Global Consensus Conference

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Sugano K, et al. *Gut* 2015;**64**:1–15. doi:10.1136/gutjnl-2015-309252

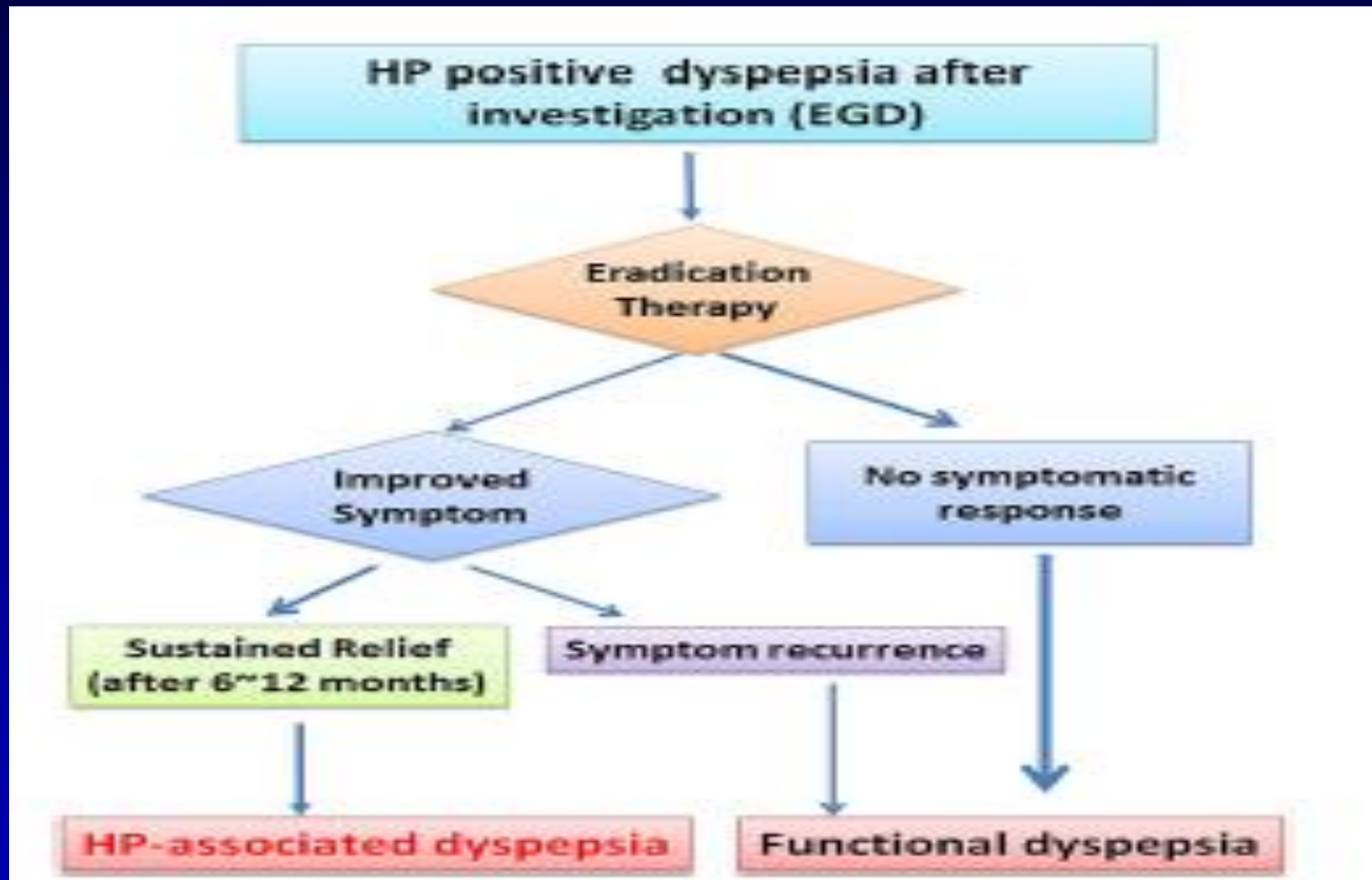
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- Pepsinogens better than Histology

# KYOTO CONSENSUS



# Test and Treat vs Endoscopy

- Several studies which show no difference in symptomatic outcomes
- Decreased rates of further evaluations via EGD

Lassen et al. Lancet 2000

McColl et al. BMJ 2002

Jones et al. Int J Clin Pract 1999

# Test and Treat Disadvantages

- Only leads to a small percentage of patients improving symptomatically
- Complications of therapy
- False-positive test results
- Delays endoscopy

# Empiric Antisecretory Therapy

- May provide symptomatic benefit in 1/3 of FD pts
- PPI more effective than H2 blockers
- Usually respond within 2 weeks of therapy



# Test and Treat vs Empiric AS

- Consider in recent immigrants from developing countries

Ford et al - Meta analysis 1547 pts

1. No difference in symptom cure at 12 months
2. No significant trend towards cost saving with test and treat vs empiric acid supp

Ford et al : Alimentary Pharmacology & Therapeutics  
Volume 28, Issue 5, pages 534–544, September 2008





# Management Functional Dyspepsia

- Reassurance and education
- Impact of dietary interventions not well studied
- Avoiding meals with high fat content advisable
- Treatment of coexisting anxiety should be considered

# Prokinetic Agents

- Moayyedi et al - Meta-analysis of 24 RCTs
  - Compared Cisapride / Domperidone/Reglan
  - Response rates vs placebo (57% v. 43%)
  - Publication bias

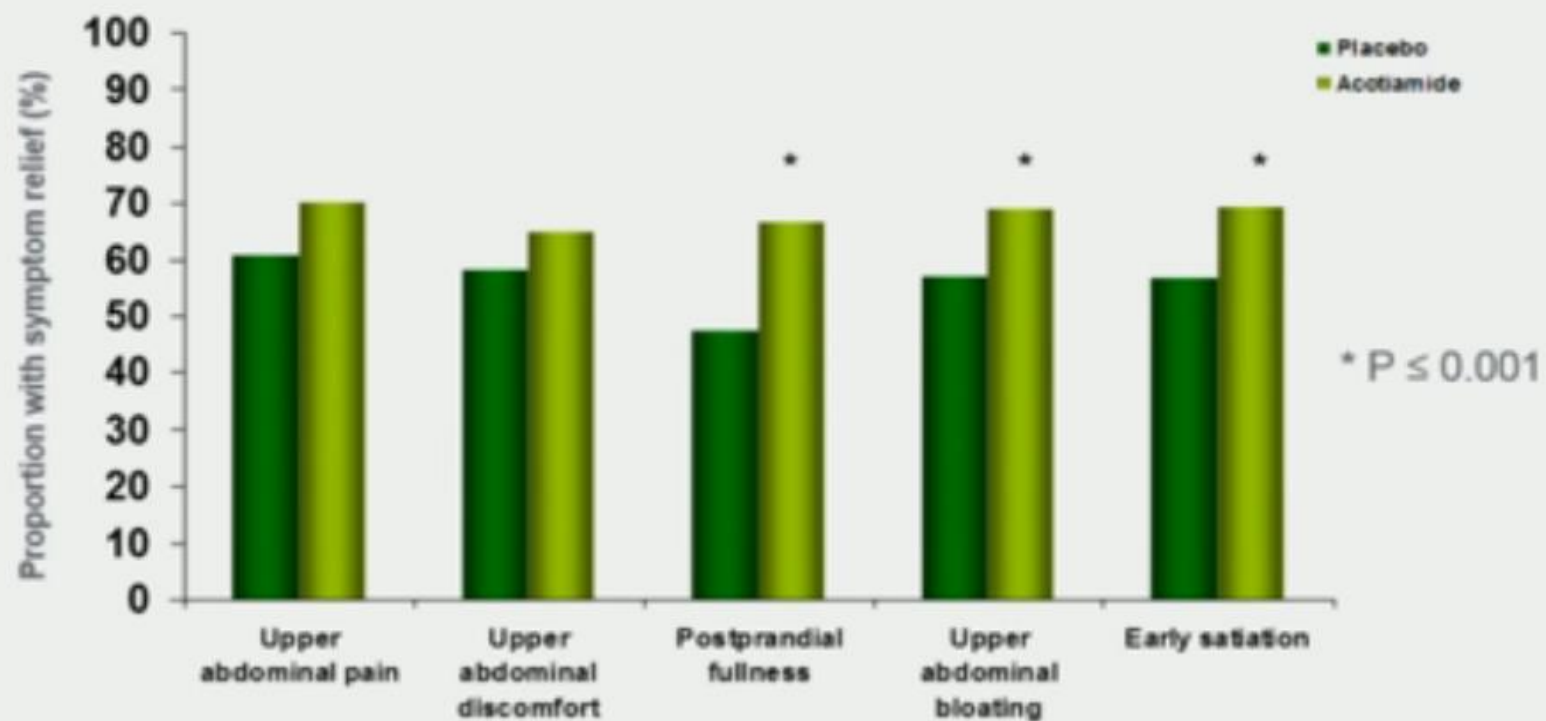
*Reglan – Black box warning- tardive dyskinesia*

*Cisapride – withdrawn due to cardiotoxicity*

*Domperidone – not FDA approved*

- Recent studies have not demonstrated clinical benefit of prokinetic agents
  - Moayyedi, et al, Pharmacologic interventions for non-ulcer dyspepsia, Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews, 2006

## Effect of Acotiamide on Individual Symptoms of Functional Dyspepsia

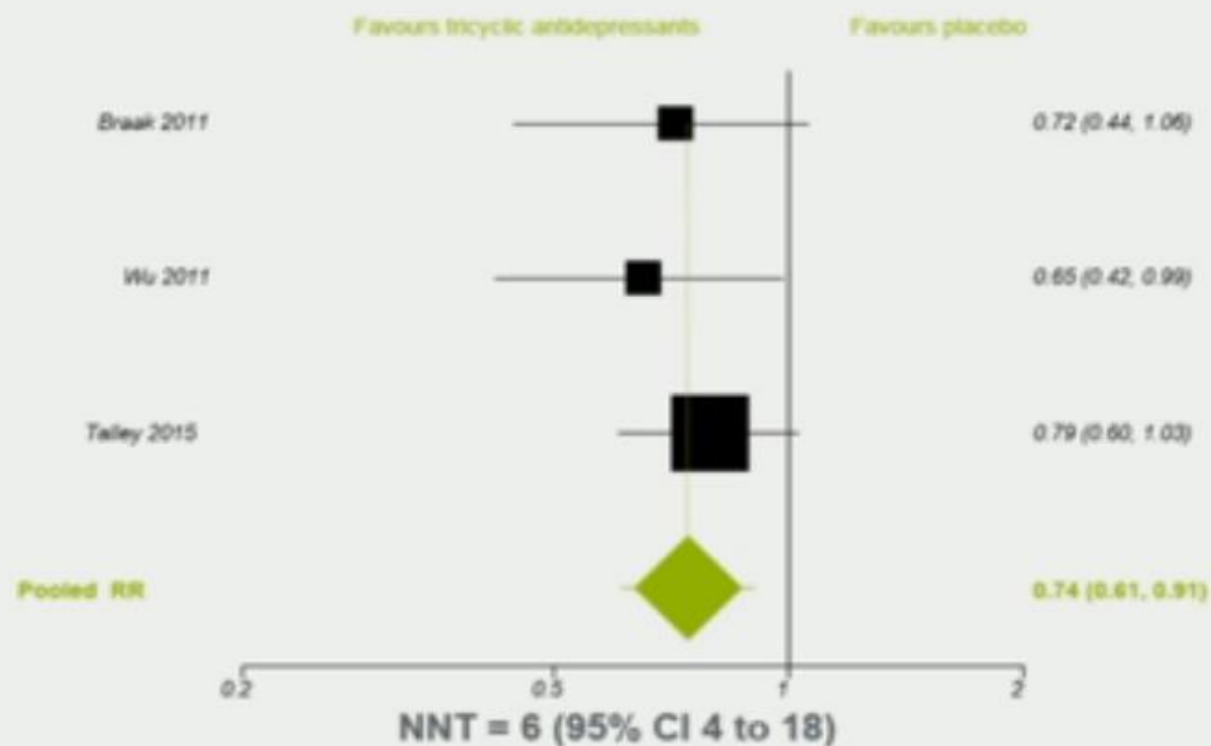


Matsueda *et al.* Gut 2012;61:821-8

## **Antidepressants**

- **Available trials small and of poor quality**
- **Evidence for efficacy is limited**
- **Should be used for patients with psychological comorbidities or long persistent symptoms that failed conventional therapy**

## Effect of Tricyclic Antidepressants on Functional Dyspepsia



Ford et al. Gut 2016;doi:10.1136/gutjnl-2015-310721



# Psychological Interventions

- Group Support
- Cognitive Therapy
- Psychotherapy
- Hypnotherapy
- Relaxation therapy

**Soo et al – insufficient evidence to support use as therapy**

- Soo, et al. Psychological Interventions for non-ulcer dyspepsia. Cochrane Library, 2008; 4

# SUMMARY

- Define Dyspepsia
- Have an approach to Uninvestigated Dyspepsia
- Understand Functional Dyspepsia
- Rationalize the benefits vs harm

Endoscopy  
Test and Treat  
Empiric PPI  
Antidepressants  
Prokinetics  
Psychotherapy

**THANK YOU**

# Dyspepsia Questions

A patient with dyspeptic symptoms undergoes endoscopy which yields no remarkable findings. Physical exam, routine blood tests, and abdominal ultrasonography are unremarkable. She has not yet been given a trial of any medications. At this point, what is the best initial choice of empiric therapy for this patient?

- A. Proton pump inhibitor
- B. Alonsetron
- C. Ondansetron
- D. Tegaserod
- E. Sumatriptan

# Dyspepsia Questions

- The recommended response is A.
- A subset of patients with non-ulcer dyspepsia (NUD) may actually have acid hypersensitivity or GERD, which can present in an atypical fashion. Acid inhibitory therapy with proton pump inhibitors may lead to complete symptom resolution in 25% to 50% of NUD patients. Efficacy of 5-HT<sub>3</sub> antagonists (alonsetron, granisetron and ondansetron) or the 5-HT<sub>4</sub> antagonist tegaserod, in NUD has not yet been clearly demonstrated. Clinical studies of 5-HT<sub>1</sub> agonists (sumatriptan, buspirone) demonstrate improved gastric accommodation in NUD patients. However, due to significant side effects these agents are not currently recommended as first line therapy for NUD.

Groskreutz JL, Kim CH. Schatzki's ring: Long-term results following dilation. *Gastrointest Endosc* 1990;36:479.



# Dyspepsia Questions

- A 66-year-old black male with a 6-month history of dyspepsia presents for evaluation. His symptoms previously responded well to antacids and over-the-counter H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonists, but have not been relieved by these treatments in the past two months. He does not have dysphagia or weight loss. Physical examination and blood counts are normal. Which of the following is most appropriate as the next step in the management of this patient?
  - A. Treatment for *Helicobacter pylori*
  - B. CT scan
  - C. Upper endoscopy
  - D. Gastric motility testing
  - E. Proton pump inhibitor



# Dyspepsia Questions

The recommended response is C.

- An important early decision in the evaluation and management of patients with dyspepsia is to determine whether presenting symptoms and signs are of sufficient concern to suggest the possibility of gastric malignancy or an ulcer complication (e.g., alarm symptoms). These would be new onset of symptoms after age 50 (as in this case), anorexia, dysphagia, gross or occult gastrointestinal bleeding, unexplained anemia, weight loss, significant vomiting or an upper gastrointestinal barium study suspicious for cancer. The presence of these features are indications for early endoscopy.
- Groskreutz JL, Kim CH. Schatzki's ring: Long-term results following dilation. Gastrointest Endosc

## Dyspepsia Questions

25 y/o Chinese graduate student with a 6 month hx of dyspepsia is referred for your evaluation by her laboratory supervisor. Her symptoms previously responded well to antacids and over the counter H2RA, but have not been relived by these treatments in the past 2 months. She does not have typical acid reflux symptoms and takes no other prescription or over the counter medications. Physical examination and blood counts are normal. Which of the following is the most appropriate as the next step in the management of this patient?

# Dyspepsia Questions

- A. Upper Endoscopy
- B. PPI
- C. CT Scan of the abdomen and pelvis
- D. Testing for HP
- E. RUQ US



# Dyspepsia Questions

- **Answer – D**

An important early decision in the evaluation and management of patients with dyspepsia is to determine whether presenting symptoms and signs are of sufficient concern to suggest the possibility of gastric malignancy or an ulcer complication. In the absence of alarm features , testing for H pylori is advisable as the initial step in management, particularly in populations of high HP prevalence.

**Table 2.** Dyspeptic symptoms and their definitions

Symptom	Definition
Epigastric pain	Epigastric refers to the region between the umbilicus and lower end of the sternum, and marked by the midclavicular lines. Pain refers to a subjective, unpleasant sensation; some patients may feel that tissue damage is occurring. Other symptoms may be extremely bothersome without being interpreted by the patient as pain.
Epigastric burning	Epigastric refers to the region between the umbilicus and lower end of the sternum, and marked by the midclavicular lines. Burning refers to an unpleasant subjective sensation of heat.
Postprandial fullness	An unpleasant sensation like the prolonged persistence of food in the stomach
Early satiation	A feeling that the stomach is overfilled soon after starting to eat, out of proportion to the size of the meal being eaten, so that the meal cannot be finished. Previously, the term "early satiety" was used, but satiation is the correct term for the disappearance of the sensation of appetite during food ingestion.

# Epidemiology

- Difficult to assess given variability in definition
- Fairly common ranging between 10-45 % of general population
- Estimated prevalence of 25% in the United States
- Annual incidence of 1% - 6%
- Slightly higher frequency in women than men



# **Organic Causes**

- 1. Peptic Ulcer Disease**
- 2. GERD**
- 3. Intolerance to food or drugs**
- 4. Gastric and Esophageal Cancer**
- 5. Pancreatic and Biliary Tract Disorders**
- 6. Other**

# GERD and Dyspepsia

- **Approximately 20% of dyspeptic pts**
- **15-20% of patients with dyspepsia have erosive esophagitis**
- **20% of patients have endoscopy negative GERD (i.e., NERD)**
- **40% of patients with Barrett's had no symptoms**

# Risk Factors

## Gastric Cancer

1. Male
2. Age greater than 50
3. Tobacco/ ETOH
4. *H pylori* ( 60%)
5. Atrophic gastritis
6. Inherited syndromes
7. Prior partial gastrectomy

## Esophageal Adenocarcinoma

1. **Male > Female**
2. **Tobacco**
3. **ETOH**
4. **Long standing history of heartburn (Barrett's esophagus)**

# Malignancy and Dyspepsia

Metastasis to stomach is rare ( 1%)

## Sites

1. Breast
2. Lung
3. Melanoma
4. Ovarian
5. Cervical
6. Pancreatic
7. Hepatocellular

## Symptoms

1. Melena
2. *Epigastric Pain*
3. Anemia

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# Development and Evaluation of a Modified Frequency Scale for the Symptoms of Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease to Distinguish Functional Dyspepsia From Non-erosive Reflux Disease

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J Gastroenterol Hepatol. 2012;27(7):1187-1191.



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**Table 1** Modified frequency scale for the symptoms of gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD)

Question	Circle the appropriate response				
	Never	Occasionally	Sometimes	Often	Always
1 Do you get heartburn?	0	1	2	3	4
2 Does your stomach get bloated?	0	1	2	3	4
3 Does your stomach ever feel heavy after meals?	0	1	2	3	4
4 Do you sometimes subconsciously rub your chest with your hand?	0	1	2	3	4
5 Do you ever feel sick after meals?	0	1	2	3	4
6 Do you get heartburn after meals?	0	1	2	3	4
7 Do you have an unusual (e.g. burning) sensation in your throat?	0	1	2	3	4
8 Do you feel full while eating meals?	0	1	2	3	4
9 Do some things get stuck when you swallow?	0	1	2	3	4
10 Do you get bitter liquid (acid) coming up into your throat?	0	1	2	3	4
11 Do you burp a lot?	0	1	2	3	4
12 Do you get heartburn if you bend over?	0	1	2	3	4
13 Do you get epigastric pain (burning) after meals?	0	1	2	3	4
14 Do you get epigastric pain (burning) before meals?	0	1	2	3	4



# Functional Dyspepsia

- Accounts for 50-60% of all dyspepsia 1
- 40 to 60 % of patients with dyspepsia evaluated via EGD will have normal findings
- Often chronic and intermittent symptoms
- > 75% of patients have aggravation of symptoms after meals

1. Talley NJ, Silverstein MD, Agreus L, Nyren O, Sonnenberg A, Holtman G. AGA technical review: evaluation of dyspepsia. Gastroenterology 1998

# Diagnostic Criteria for Functional Dyspepsia and Subgroups (Rome III)

## Postprandial Distress Syndrome

One or both:

- Bothersome postprandial fullness, occurring after ordinary size meals, at least several times a week
- Early satiety, preventing finishing a regular meal that occurs at least several times a week

## Epigastric Pain Syndrome

All of the following:


- Pain/burning in epigastrium of moderate severity at least once a week
- Pain is intermittent
- Not generalized or localized to other abdominal or chest regions
- Not relieved by defecation or passage of flatus
- Not fulfilling criteria for gallbladder or Sphincter of Oddi disorders


*\*All criteria must be fulfilled for the last 3 months with symptom onset at least 6 months before diagnosis*



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## ACG and CAG Clinical Guideline: Management of Dyspepsia

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## ACG and CAG Clinical Guideline: Management of Dyspepsia

**Table 2.** PICO statements evaluated in the dyspepsia guideline

Informal Question	PICO Question				Method
	Population	Intervention(s)	Comparator	Outcome	
What is the most appropriate initial evaluation for patients ≥60 years of age with dyspepsia?	Adult uninvestigated dyspepsia patients stratified by age	Endoscopy	Symptomatic management	1. Upper GI cancers detected 2. Early upper GI cancers detected 3. Rates of upper GI malignancy by age 4. Adverse events	Observational data

STATEMENT 1. WE SUGGEST DYSPEPSIA PATIENTS  
AGED 60 OR OVER HAVE AN ENDOSCOPY TO  
EXCLUDE UPPER GASTROINTESTINAL NEOPLASIA

Conditional recommendation, very low quality evidence

STATEMENT 2. WE DO NOT SUGGEST ENDOSCOPY  
TO INVESTIGATE ALARM FEATURES FOR DYSPEPSIA  
PATIENTS UNDER THE AGE OF 60 TO EXCLUDE  
UPPER GI NEOPLASIA

Conditional recommendation, moderate quality evidence

# **Disadvantages of Empiric Antisecretory therapy**

- **Rapid relapse of symptoms after cessation of therapy**
- **Delays diagnostic testing**
- **Concern that PUD is inadequately treated**
- **Long term therapy that is not required**



# Test and Treat

**“ Small but significant therapeutic gain achieved with H pylori eradication in functional dyspepsia ”**

**McNamara et al – RCT 100 patients**

- 5 year followup - symptom questionnaire**
- Sustained remission of symptoms with TT**

# Management Functional Dyspepsia

## Acid suppressive therapy

Moayyedi et al – Meta analysis of 8 RCT

1. PPI superior to placebo (NNT 9)
2. No difference in PPI dosing regimens
3. Most effective when dyspepsia and reflux

- PPI with better response rate vs H2RB (31 to 21 %)(  $p < 0.05$ )

Veldhuyzen et al. AM J Gastroenterology 2005

Moayyedi, et al, Pharmacologic interventions for non-ulcer dyspepsia, Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews 2006

# Own Bias – ERADICATION

- Endoscopically diagnosed PUD/Complicated
- Dyspepsia – Uninvestigated ( Test and Treat ) – NO
  - Serological Markers – Pep I,II
- Endoscopic **Gastritis** – NO(Kyoto – HP associated)
  - Serological Markers
  - Histology

Family Members / Malt Lymphoma

**OTHERS** : Long Term PPI – Reflux Disease ( Hp + )  
NSAID initiation

# Visceral Hypersensitivity

- Up to 30% - Visceral hypersensitivity
- Abnormally enhanced perception to visceral stimuli
- Not related to gastric acid secretion, accommodation, compliance or emptying

# Impaired fundic accommodation

- 40% of FD patients
- Increased intra gastric pressure which leads to activation of mechanoreceptors in the abdominal wall, inducing symptoms

# Delayed Gastric Emptying

- 25 - 45% of all FD pts
- Waldron et al - Meta analysis 17 studies- 868 dyspeptic pts/397 controls
  - 40% significant delay of gastric emptying*
- Failed to find correlation between symptoms and DGE

Tack J, Bisschops R, Sarnelli G. Pathophysiology and Treatment of Functional Dyspepsia. Gastroenterology 2004



## H pylori and FD

- Role remains controversial
- No consistent differences in symptom patterns for H pylori + vs negative pts
- Dyspepsia improved with tx
- Ang et al - 31% of patients treated had complete resolution of symptoms at 1 year

Folk et al. J Gastroenterology. 2011

Ang et al. J. Gastroenterology. 2006

Moayyedi et al . AmJ Gastroenterology. 2003