

RESULTS OF A RETROSPECTIVE IGIBD STUDY ON ADALIMUMAB USE IN REAL PRACTICE IN ITALY: THE REAL-LIFE CLINICAL EFFECTIVENESS OF ADALIMUMAB IN ULCERATIVE COLITIS (REALADA-UC) STUDY

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Background

- **Adalimumab (ADA)** has been approved for the treatment of 14 immune-mediated diseases (5 pediatric).
- In Italy since 2014 UC label for adalimumab required **strict observation** of common treatment pathway.
- **Real-life studies** result usually hampered by heterogeneous clinical management.

Aim of the study

To explore clinical effectiveness of Adalimumab in real-world Italian patients

Primary outcome



Persistence

Secondary outcomes



Response and clinical remission

Colectomy rate

Predictors of withdrawal and colectomy

Safety in real-life

Patients and Methods

Coordinating Center: Gastroenterologia AO Mauriziano di Torino

- Torino (Mauriziano)
- Caltanissetta (M. Raimondi)
- Palermo (Villa Sofia-Cervello)
- Palermo (Policlinico P. Giaccone)
- Messina (G. Martino)
- Palermo (Civico)
- Catania (Cannizzaro)
- Brescia (Spedali Civili)
- Reggio Emilia (S. Maria Nuova)
- Padova (Azienda Ospedaliera)
- Rho (Ospedale di Rho)
- Lecce (V. Fazzi)
- Roma (S. Camillo Forlanini)
- Bari (A. Moro)
- Genova (S. Martino)
- Roma (Policlinico Gemelli)
- Cuneo (S. Croce e Carle)
- Torino (S. Giovanni Battista)

346 pts
May 2014-Dec 2018



Results

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F/M, n (%)	171 (49)/175 (51)
Age IBD diagnosis, years, n (%)	
< 20	59 (17)
20-45	209 (60)
> 45	78 (23)
Disease duration, years	
<i>Mean ± SD</i>	9.5 ± 8.7
Smoking, n (%)	
Active	24 (7)
Ex-smoker /never	263 (76)
Disease extension (Montreal), n (%)	
E1	16 (5)
E2	120 (35)
E3	210 (61)
Disease activity	
Full Mayo score, <i>Median (IQR)</i>	8 (6-9)
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Previous anti-TNFα discontinuation reason, n (%)	
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Infectious adverse event	4 (3)
Combination therapy with IM, n (%)	48 (14)
Combination therapy with corticosteroids, n (%)	138 (40)
Dose of corticosteroids (mg)	
<i>Mean ± SD</i>	25 ± 15
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E3 (61%), E2 (35%), E1 (5%)**

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Combination therapy

IM (14%), Corticosteroids (40%)

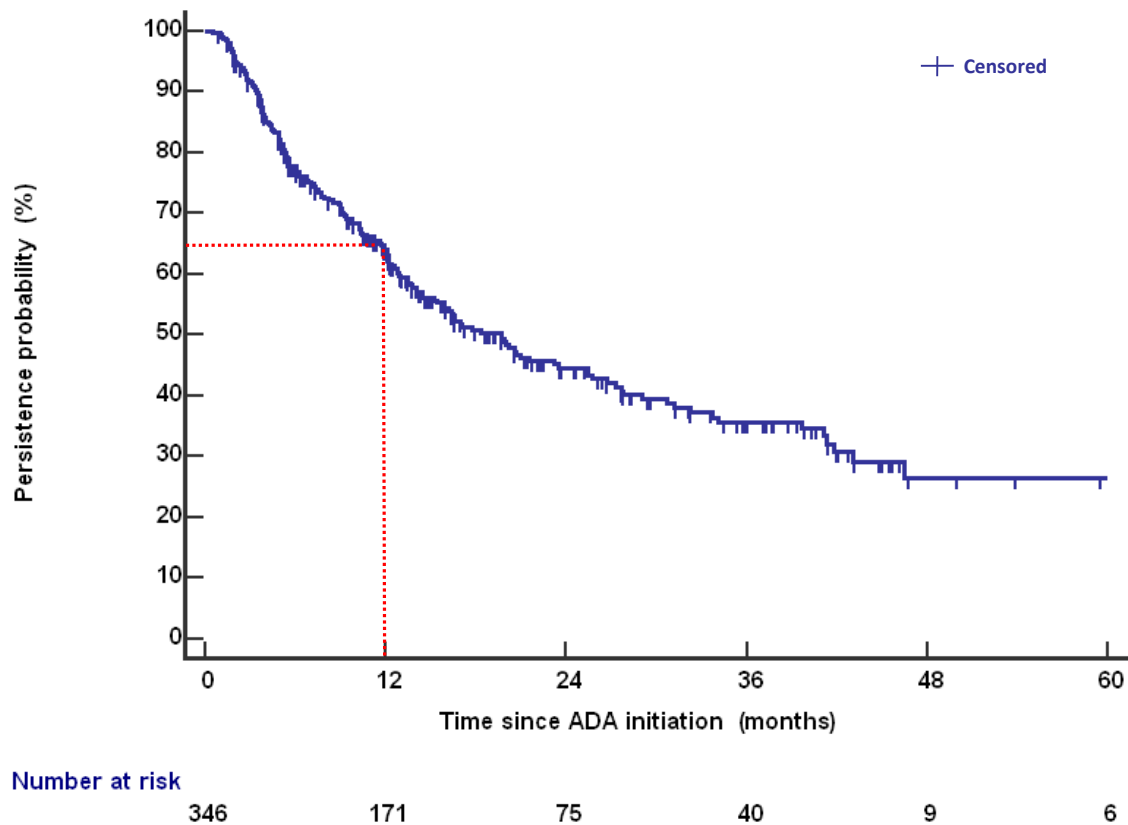
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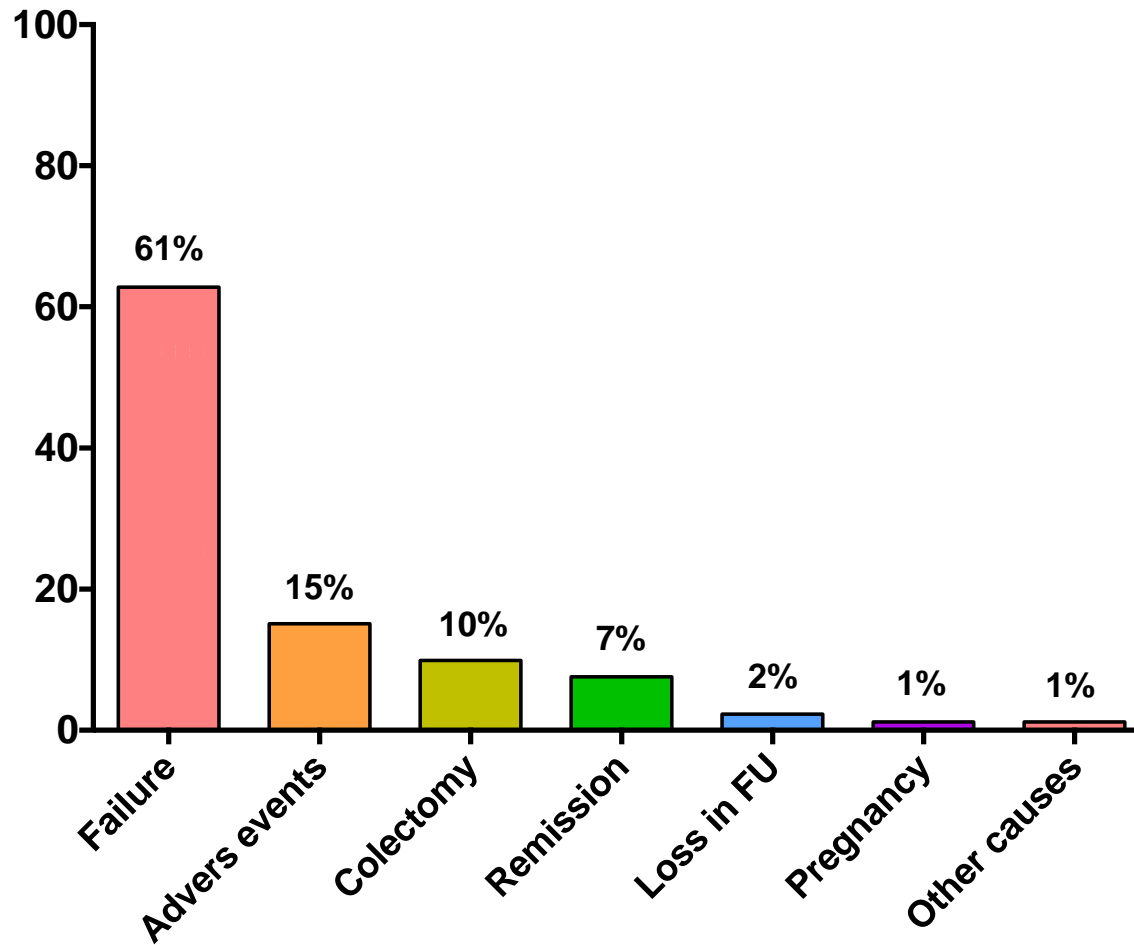
Persistence (cumulative probability)



The cumulative probability of continuing ADA therapy over one year was 64%

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Reasons for ADA discontinuation



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Clinical response and remission

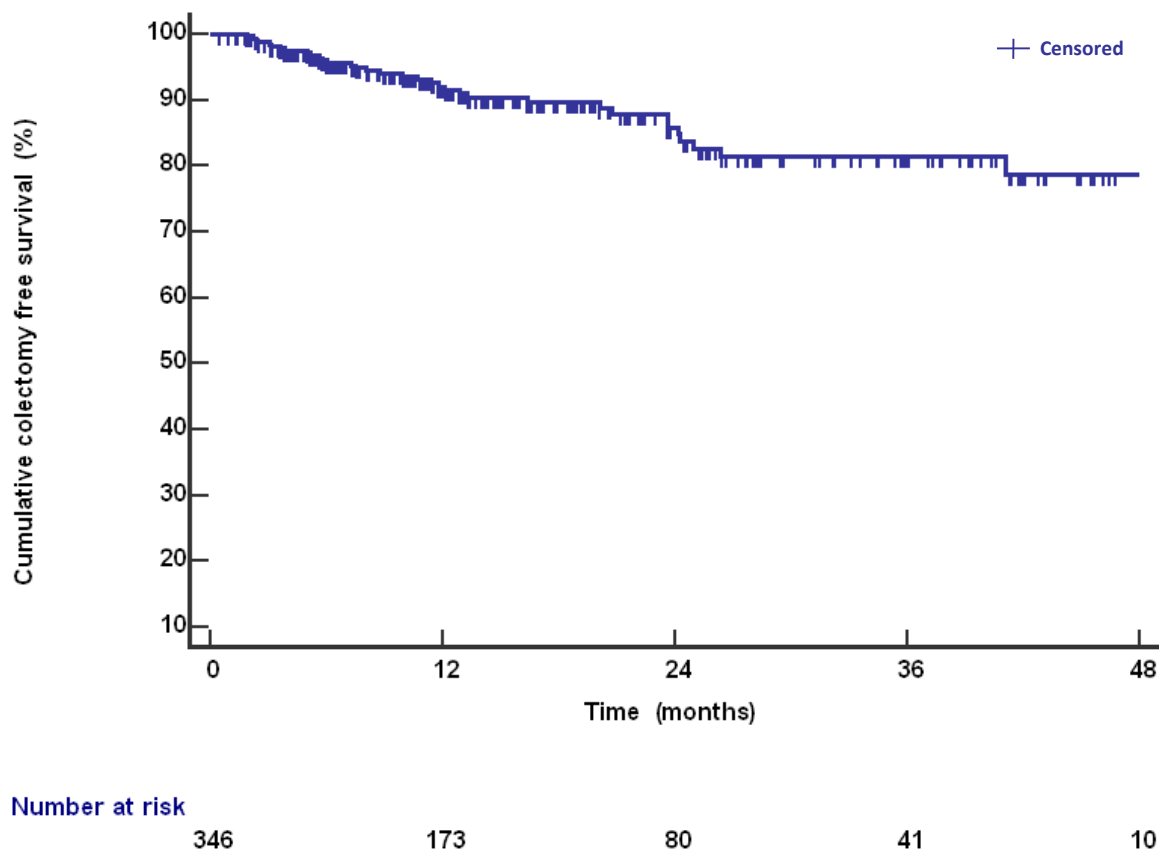
	CLINICAL EFFECTIVENESS (Investigator's opinion)	CLINICAL RESPONSE (Delta PMS ≥ 2)	CLINICAL REMISSION (PMS ≤ 2)
Week 8	283/346 (82%)	243/346 (70%)	176/346 (51%)
Week 24	206/346 (60%)	191/346 (55%)	173/346 (50%)
Week 52	154/346 (45%)	144/346 (42%)	142/346 (41%)

ITT analysis

- ➔ **ADA optimization (EW): 42%**, 6.6 month (IQR 3.2-14.2). 45% of patients with ADA optimization avoid withdrawal, **NNH 5.4** (95% CI 3.5-12.7)
- ➔ Endoscopic evaluation only in 70/346 patients (20%), 17.7 months (IQR 10.8-27.3) with **Mucosal healing** (Endoscopic Mayo Score 0-1) achieved in 34/70 (**48.5%**) of cases

Results

Colectomy



Cumulative colectomy-free survival was 92%, 85%, and 80% at 12, 24, and 36 months, respectively

Results

Adverse events

ADVERSE EVENTS	TOTAL	TIME to AE (months)
	68/346 (19.7%)	11 (IQR 5-20)
Allergic reactions	n= 4	1 (IQR 0.3-5)
Infections	n= 8	5 (IQR 3-11)
Skin disorders	n= 7	8 (IQR 4-20)
Rheumatological disorders	n= 7	5 (IQR 1-15)
Malignancy	n= 2	21 (IQR 3-40)

Results

Predictors (Cox regression)

	Time to Adalimumab stop			Time to Colectomy		
	Univariate P	Multivariate P	HR	Univariate P	Multivariate P	HR
Male gender	.181			.113		
Age ≥ 60, naïve	.994					
Age at diagnosis ≥ 40 y				<.001	.003	3.26
Disease duration > 5 y	.004	<.001	0.64	.658		
Current smoker	.579			.761		
Extensive colitis (E3)	.403			.037	.041	2.28
Severe activity at baseline	.001	.018	1.59	<.001	.001	2.45
CRP > 10 mg/L	.228			.468		
EIMs	.020	NS		.281		
Steroid-dependent disease	.582			.786		
Concomitant thiopurines	.066	NS		.644		
Corticosteroids at baseline	.087	NS		.092	NS	
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Previous Anti-TNFα	.744			.543		
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Time to Adalimumab stop

Disease duration >5 y, HR 0.64

Severe activity at baseline, HR 1.59

W8 effectiveness, HR 0.27

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ADA opacities at baseline						
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Severe activity at baseline, HR 2.45

W8 effectiveness, HR 0.32

Discussion

- Large (346 patients) retrospective study with homogeneous data capturing
- Persistence was satisfactory: 64% in 1 year (8% intentionally stopping in well being)
- Short-term effectiveness very high (82%), majorly impacting on long-term persistence in treatment
- No safety signal emerged
- Colectomy in 35/346 cases (10%): significant protective effect of ADA on the short-medium term risk of colectomy.

Thank you for your attention

