The Effect on Gastric Emptying of Telaprevir-Based Triple Therapy for Chronic Hepatitis C Patients

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Aim: We evaluated food intake in telaprevir-based triple therapy (telaprevir, pegylated-interferon, and ribavirin) and its relation to Gastric Emptying (GE). Methods: 17 patients received telaprevir combined with pegylated interferon plus ribavirin. The GE study was carried out using the 13C-acetate breath test and GE time was expressed as the peak time of 13CO2 excr ...

Beta-(1,3/1,6)-D-glucan Helps to Decrease Opportunistic Infections in Crohn's Disease Patients Treated with Biological Therapy

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Background: Secondary intercurrent infections in patients with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) represent a very important problem in daily clinical practice because of their significant contribution to quality of life and work ability. Beta-glucans are known to act as non-specific immunomodulators that exhibit an anti-inflammatory effect as evident in animal and huma ...

Implementation and Implication of Ignoring Small Polyps at Colonoscopy

Background and Aim: CT colonography has promoted a new paradigm, that up-to 2 polyps 5mm can be left in-situ and followed. In contrast, endoscopists identify and remove all colorectal polyps, regardless of size. We evaluated whether and how endoscopists might implement a plan of ignoring small polyps in clinical practice.

Successful Treatment of Stomal Variceal Bleeding with Percutaneous Injection Sclerotherapy

Portal hypertension can result in the reopening of collapsed embryonic channels within existing adult veins [11. Walsh G, Williams MP (1995) Case report: Giant pararectal varices-computed tomographic appearances. Br J Radiol 68: 203-204]. Ectopic varices are defined by portosystemic venous collaterals occurring anywhere in the gastrointestinal tract other than the e ...