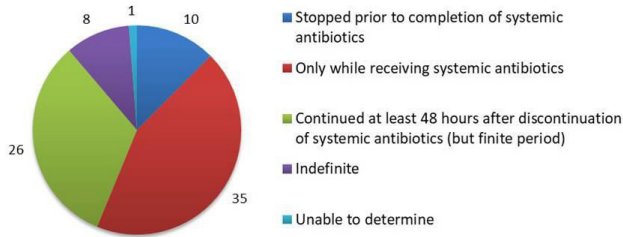


OVP Duration

OVP Duration (n = 80)



Conclusion: Following implementation of two-step testing for CDI, use of OVP for primary prevention based solely on knowledge of PCR+/Toxin- testing in patients without a history of CDI was rare. Acute CDI appears unlikely in patients actively receiving OVP.

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801. Patients with *Clostridioides difficile* Infection Following Dental Antibiotic Prescription

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Background: Dentists prescribe few broad-spectrum antibiotics but are the primary prescriber of clindamycin in the U.S. Data is scarce on the association of dental antibiotic prescribing and *Clostridioides difficile* infection (CDI). Here we present results from a longitudinal cohort of patients with a CDI positive diagnostic test 30 days after receiving an antibiotic prescribed by a dentist.

Methods: A cohort of patients with antibiotic prescriptions within 7 days of a dental visit were identified from 2015-2018. From this cohort, patients with positive *C. difficile* test 30 days after a dental antibiotic were included. Chart reviews obtained information about the dental visit, antibiotic prescribed, and CDI diagnosis. Descriptive statistics were used to describe characteristics of those with CDI following a dental antibiotic.

Results: 212,763 Veterans received an antibiotic from a dentist between 2015-2018. Of them, 87 patients had a positive CDI test within 30 days of receiving their dental antibiotic. Over half (57.4%) of these patients had surgical dental visits and 45.9% had an oral infection coded. Dentists documented reasons for prescription was treatment of a local infection (40%) and post procedure prophylaxis (24%). Amoxicillin (54.0%) and clindamycin (40.2%) were the most commonly prescribed

antibiotics. 65.7% of the patients that received clindamycin from the dentist had a documented penicillin allergy. 58.6% of patients had a preexisting gastrointestinal condition and 44.8% were taking gastric acid reducer medication. Only 19.5% of the antibiotic prescriptions met ADA guidelines for appropriate antibiotics (presence of gingival manipulation and a cardiac condition). CDI cases were treated with metronidazole (55.2%), or vancomycin (37.9%); 5.7% had no apparent treatment through the VA. The average number of days between the dental visit and CDI diagnosis was 18.9.

Conclusion: The occurrence of CDI was infrequent after a dental antibiotic. However, clindamycin was prescribed more frequently in this cohort than published literature on dentist prescribing. Approximately half had a gastrointestinal risk factor for CDI. More research is needed to determine the type of patient most at risk for CDI following a dental antibiotic.

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802. Proton Pump Inhibitors Increase *Clostridioides difficile* Disease Severity Controlling for Infecting Strains

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Background: Proton pump inhibitors (PPI) display pleotropic properties that increase the risk of poor outcomes in patients with *C. difficile* infection (CDI). However, clinical data on PPI and CDI outcomes is controversial perhaps due to lack of knowledge of infecting strain. The purpose of this study was to assess CDI outcomes in hospitalized patients infected with known *C. difficile* ribotypes based on use of PPI.

Methods: This was a multicenter study (20 hospitals) of hospitalized patients infected with one of three *C. difficile* ribotypes (RT027, RT106, and RT014-020). Electronic medical records were reviewed by investigators blinded to RT that collected data on PPI use along with other clinical data. A composite endpoint of disease severity, mortality and 90-day CDI recurrence was assessed based on receipt of PPI and ribotype using multivariate logistic regression.

Results: A total of 380 patients with CDI aged 66±17 years (Female: 59.5%; White: 70.5%) infected with RT 106 (115/380; 30.3%), RT027 (116/380; 30.5%), and RT014-020 (149/380; 39.2%) were included. One hundred and ninety-nine patients (52.4%) were given a PPI at the time of CDI diagnosis and 129 patients (66.1%) experienced either severe disease or CDI recurrence. Disease severity differed significantly between ribotypes (p<0.05) and increased in patients given PPI (p=0.08). CDI recurrence also differed significantly among ribotypes (p<0.05) and increased in patients given PPI. Using the composite endpoint, receipt of PPIs significantly increased the likelihood of poor outcomes (OR:1.78; 95% CI: 1.17-2.73; p=0.007) after controlling for infecting ribotype.

Conclusion: In this multicenter study, receipt of PPIs increased the likelihood of poor outcomes in CDI patients after controlling for infecting ribotype.

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