

# Are probiotics beneficial for ulcerative colitis patients with poor pelvic pouch function?

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
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**Protocol serial number**  
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## Study information

**Scientific Title**  
Effect of probiotics (Lactobacillus plantarum 299® plus Bifidobacterium Cure 21®) or placebo on the pouch bacterial flora and immunological response patterns in poor pelvic pouch function: a randomised controlled trial

## Study objectives

The bacterial flora and immunological response patterns in pelvic pouches will be modified by supplemental probiotics. This could stabilise/improve pouch function (frequency of bowel movements, urgency, leakage etc.).

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Local Ethics Committee at Gothenburg University, approved on 01/12/2003 (ref: O 644-03)

## Study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Ulcerative colitis

## Interventions

Participants are randomly allocated to the following two arms (randomisation ratio 1:1).

Intervention group: Probiotics (Lactobacillus plantarum 299® [5 x 10<sup>9</sup> cfu] plus Bifidobacterium Cure 21® [5 x 10<sup>9</sup> cfu]) administered orally (p.o.), twice a day for 3 weeks  
Control group: Placebo (p.o.) twice a day for 3 weeks

The final clinical and laboratory examination is carried out at the end of treatment (at 3 weeks). A further evaluation will be carried out by a questionnaire 3 weeks after the end of treatment.

## Intervention Type

Drug

## Phase

Not Applicable

## Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Lactobacillus plantarum 299®, Bifidobacterium Cure 21®

## Primary outcome(s)

The following will be assessed at baseline and end of treatment (3 weeks):

1. Types of bacterial species in the pelvic pouch, analysed by non-culture dependent techniques, such as Terminal-Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism (T-RFLP)
2. Markers of mucosal inflammation in faeces: calprotectin, lactoferrin, myeloperoxidase (MPO) and eosinophil cationic protein (ECP)
3. Inflammation of the lining of the rectum and colon, assessed by biopsies
4. Immunological response patterns, assessed by examination of leukocytes in blood samples

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

1. Clinical pouch function is evaluated by a questionnaire before and within 3 days from the end of treatment
2. Pouch biopsies are evaluated by standard histopathology before and within 3 days from the end of treatment

**Completion date**

31/05/2009

**Eligibility****Key inclusion criteria**

1. Both males and females, age 18-75 years
2. Patient with a pelvic pouch because of ulcerative colitis. The pouch function should be inferior according to a clinical evaluation including a pouch function score.

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Lower age limit**

18 years

**Upper age limit**

75 years

**Sex**

All

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Patient with a pelvic pouch, but with other diagnoses, e.g., Crohn's disease or polyposis
2. Patients with good pouch function

**Date of first enrolment**

01/01/2006

**Date of final enrolment**

31/05/2009

**Locations****Countries of recruitment**

Sweden

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**Results and Publications**

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

**IPD sharing plan summary**

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