

primary studies - published RCT

Children with cystic fibrosis benefit from massage therapy.

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Study design (if review, criteria of inclusion for studies)

random cross-over design

Participants

15 patients (3 girls and 12 boys) with confirmed steatorrhoea (residual steatorrhoea despite high dose pancreatic enzyme supplements (> or =10,000 U lipase/kg per day)) during the control evaluation. Median age was 8.7 years (range 3.5-15.9 years). Median daily lipase intake was 13,500 U/kg per day (range 10,000-22,000 U/kg per day).

Interventions

omeprazole (Losec), a proton-pump inhibitor, on fat absorption

Outcome measures

Fat digestion was evaluated with and without omeprazole by means of chemical fat measurements in 3-day stool collections together with 3-day weighed food records for calculation of fat absorption

Main results

During treatment with omeprazole, median faecal fat loss (g fat/day) decreased from 13 g (quartiles 11.5-16.5 g/day) to 5.5 g (quartiles 4.9-8.1 g/day) (P

Authors' conclusions

Omeprazole improves fat digestion and absorption in cystic fibrosis patients with residual faecal fat loss despite maximal pancreatic enzyme substitution.

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See also

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