



Patient Information

We are currently conducting research with a novel approach to faecal transplantation in ulcerative colitis but this treatment may be effective in other inflammatory conditions such as Crohn's disease and inflammatory forms of arthritis.

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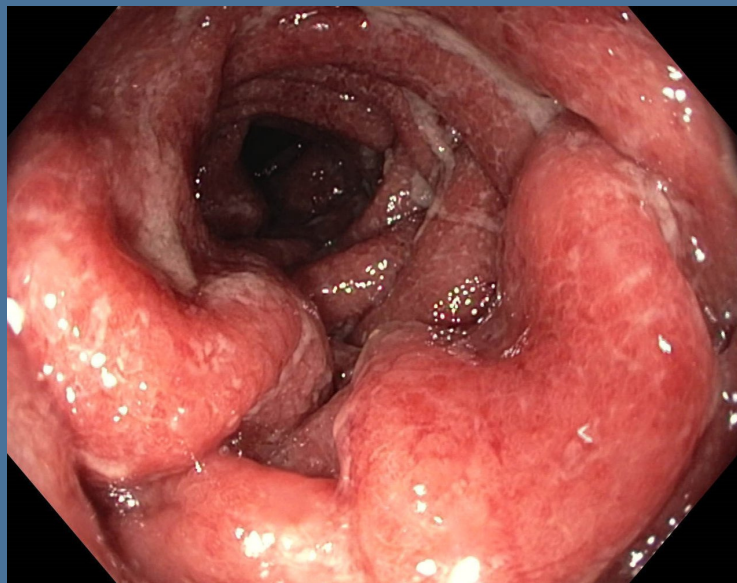
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Faecal Transplantation (FMT) in Ulcerative Colitis



Why Choose a FMT?

We have had a dramatic impact on disease activity in ulcerative colitis with many patients going into **medication free remission** for months to years.

A case series of our first 10 consecutive patients was published at the American Gastroenterology meeting in San Diego in May 2022. 9/10 of these patients went into remission with 1 or 2 FMT treatments, some remain in remission at 2.5 years.

Our FMT technique has ethics committee approval for a multicenter trial involving our group and Gastroenterologists at Western Sydney University.

What's involved?

The research is performed at the **Townsville Day Surgery (TDS)** and we are happy to discuss the treatment with any patients suffering from these conditions particularly where they have ongoing active disease despite treatment or unhappy with their current treatment.

If you do not respond to a once off FMT delivered via colonoscopy our protocol involves a second FMT with another donor after pretreatment with antibiotics and strict dietary intervention, both of which have been shown to improve the likelihood of inducing remission.

The cost of the treatment protocol including the second FMT if necessary is about \$2000 but please note any profit in this **goes directly to the research charity** to support this research, not to those conducting the research. The fee can be waived in special circumstances.

All consultations, procedures and anaesthetics involved in this research are at nil out of pocket charges to patients. The facility fee or uninsured patients for a colonoscopy at the TDS applies.

What's next?

We will endeavor to see all new patients with active inflammatory bowel disease within 1-2 weeks of referral and can go ahead with treatment same week if necessary.

If you are interested, please phone Townsville Gastroenterology and one of our doctors or our research nurse can explain the program to you.

