

THE ROLE OF PROBIOTICS IN THE EFFECTIVENESS OF TREATMENT AGAINST HELICOBACTER PYLORI: RESULTS OF THE EUROPEAN REGISTRY ON THE MANAGEMENT OF HELICOBACTER PYLORI INFECTION (HP-EUREG)

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A European registry study of 36,699 patients found that concomitant probiotic use was associated with improved *Helicobacter pylori* eradication rates, particularly for triple and sequential therapies.

KEY POINTS

- Overall eradication rates were significantly higher with probiotics compared to controls (91% vs 86%, $p < 0.0001$), with benefits observed across multiple treatment regimens including triple (89% vs 83%), concomitant quadruple (93% vs 89%), bismuth quadruple (92% vs 86%), and sequential (91% vs 78%) therapies.
- In multivariate logistic regression adjusted for age, sex, treatment duration, PPI dose and adherence, probiotic benefit was maintained for triple, bismuth quadruple and sequential treatments in first-line eradication.
- Regional analysis showed probiotic benefit was significant in the Eastern region (low clarithromycin and metronidazole resistance) for triple therapies and in the Central region (high resistance) for concomitant quadruple and sequential therapies.
- This prospective, multicentre, non-interventional registry (Hp-EuReg) collected data from 2013 to 2021 across European countries, with 22% of patients receiving concomitant probiotics.
- Gastroenterologists treating *H. pylori* infection may find these registry data relevant when considering adjuvant probiotic therapy, particularly for triple and sequential regimens.

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