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DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT OF ELDERLY ONSET ULCERATIVE COLITIS AND CROHN'S DISEASE PATIENTS IN COMPARISON TO ADULT AND PEDIATRIC ONSET – A DANISH NATIONWIDE COHORT STUDY 2000-2018

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A Danish nationwide registry study of 40,139 IBD patients diagnosed 2000-2018 found that elderly-onset patients received significantly less medical treatment across all drug classes and had different surgical risks compared to younger-onset patients.

KEY POINTS

- Elderly-onset UC and CD patients had significantly decreased use of 5-aminosalicylates, immunomodulators, and biologics compared to all younger age groups (pediatric, young adult, and adult onset).
- Elderly-onset patients also received less systemic steroids overall, except elderly UC patients had increased steroid use compared to adult-onset UC patients.
- Elderly-onset CD patients had significantly increased risk for bowel surgery compared to all younger age groups.
- Elderly-onset UC patients had decreased colectomy risk compared to pediatric and young adult patients, but no significant difference compared to adult-onset patients.
- The study included 25,735 UC and 14,404 CD patients from Danish national registries, with elderly-onset representing 22.6% of UC and 20.5% of CD cases.

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