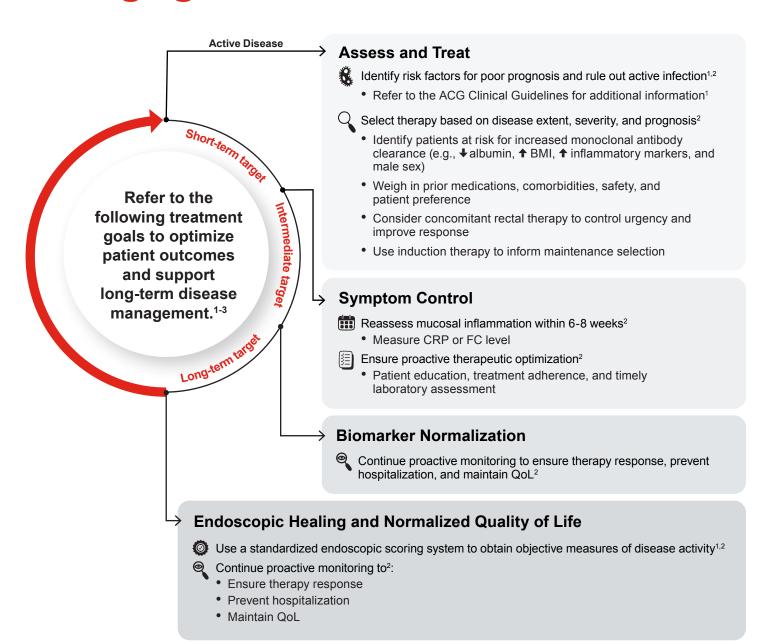
Managing Patients With Ulcerative Colitis



Factors influencing disease severity^{1,2}:

- Neoplasia
- ✓ Age <40 years at diagnosis^a
- ✓ CDI or CMV infection^a
- ✓ Hospitalizations for UC^a
- Emergency department visits
- ✓ CS requirement^a

- ✓ ↑ CRP^a
- **⊘** ★ ESR^a
- ✓ Extensive colitis^a
- ✓

 Serum albumin^a
- ✓ Severe endoscopic disease (MES=3, UCEIS ≥7)^a

Severe UC exacerbation triggers²:

- ✓ CDI and CMV infection
- Polypharmacy
- Cessation of smoking
- ✓ Non-adherence to maintenance therapy
- ✓ Pseudo-medical resistance
- Pregnancy

Long-term management in UC requires regular assessments to evaluate disease activity and severity for treatment selection and optimization.²

Poor prognostic factor. The greater the number of poor prognostic factors, the worse the prognosis, measured by the likelihood of colectomy.

ACG-American College of Gastroenterology; BMI-Body Mass Index; CDI=Clostridioides Difficile Infection; CMV=Cytomegalovirus; CRP=C-Reactive Protein; CS=Corticosteroid; ESR=Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate; FC=Fecal Calprotectin; MES=Mayo Endoscopic Subscore; QoL=Quality of Life; UC=Ulcerative Colitis; UCEIS=Ulcerative Colitis Endoscopic

