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SY32-1 What is the Best Bowel Preparation for Lower GI Endoscopy in Sri Lanka

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Purpose: With the utilisation of a flexible sigmoidoscopy to evaluate colorectal pathologies, optimal bowel preparation is of paramount importance. Therefore, the bowel preparation providing optimum cleansing of the bowel with the least associated inconvenience for the patient has to be identified.

Method: 1216 outpatients with 40 to 80 years of age were selected. All anti platelets and iron supplements were with held one week prior to procedure. Patients were kept fasting after midnight. Bisacodyl 4 tablets were given oraly in the previous night at 10pm. One kit (KLEEN ENEMA100ml) was administered rectally in the morning. Those who couldn't afford phosphate enema and had poor bowel preparation following phosphate enema were given 100ml of tap water enema. All were undergone flexible sigmoidoscopy.

Results: Out of 1216 patients ,1015 patients were received phosphate enemas as the initial step ,following that, 782 patients had satisfactory bowel preparation. However those who had unsatisfactory bowel preparation (233 patients) were out of 201 patients ,who received tap water enema alone, ended up in satisfactory bowel preparation. In addition,199 developed minor allergic reactions to phosphate enema.

Conclusion: Thus using tap water enema alone was shown statistically significant (Chi test 105.3 with df 2; p<0.001) when compared with phosphate enema alone and phosphate with tap water enema. Furthermore, Tap water enema is cost effective, as well as having least complications.

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