

Table 2. Randomized, Comparative Trials of Oral Therapy for *Clostridium difficile* Diarrhea*

Agent	Regimen	Patients Studied	Cure Rate (%)	Time to Resolution	Relapse Rate (%)	References
Metronidazole	500 mg tid x 10d	31	94	3.2 d	16	Wenisch 1996 (139)
	250 mg qid x 10d	76	87, 95	2.4 d, NS	42	Teasley 1983 (128) Musher 2006 (97)
Metronidazole + rifampin	500 mg tid x 10d	19	63	7.0d		Lagrotteria 2006 (75)
Vancomycin	500 mg tid x10d	31	94	3.1d	15	Wenisch 1996 (139)
	500 mg qid x 10d	87	100	2.6 – 3.6 d	29	Teasley 1983, deLalla 1992, Dudley 1986 (35,40,128)
	125 mg qid x 7d	21	86	4.2 d	NS	Young 1985 (144)
	125 mg qid x 5d	12	75	< 5.0 d	19	Mogg 1980 (93)
	125 mg qid x 10d	80	91	2.0 d	7	Louie 2006 (83)
Teicoplanin	400 mg x bid x 10d	28	96	2.8 d	8	Wenisch 1996 (139)
	100 mg bid x 10 d	26	96	3.4 d	28	deLalla 1992 (35)
Fusidic acid	500 mg tid x 10 d	29	93	3.8 d	28	Wenisch 1996 (139)
Bacitracin	20k-25k U qid x 7-10 d	36	78	2.5-4.1 d	23	Dudley 1986, Young 1985 (40, 144)
Nitazoxanide	500 mg bid x 7 d	40	90	NS	23	Musher 2006 (97)
	500 mg bid x 10 d	36	89	NS	10	Musher 2006 (97)
Tolvamer	1 gm tid x 14 + d	72	67	4.0 d	4.9 d	Louie 2006 (83)
	2 gm tid x 14 + d	70	83	2.5 d	NS	Louie 2006 (83)
Rifaximin	200 mg tid x 10 d	10	90	NS	NS	Boero 1990 (7)
Colestipol	10 gm qid x 5 d	14	36	< 5.0 d		Mogg 1980 (93)
Placebo	-- x 5 d	14	21	< 5.0 d		Mogg 1980 (93)