



#### 다양한 식도증상에 따른 접근법

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#### Symptoms related to esophagus

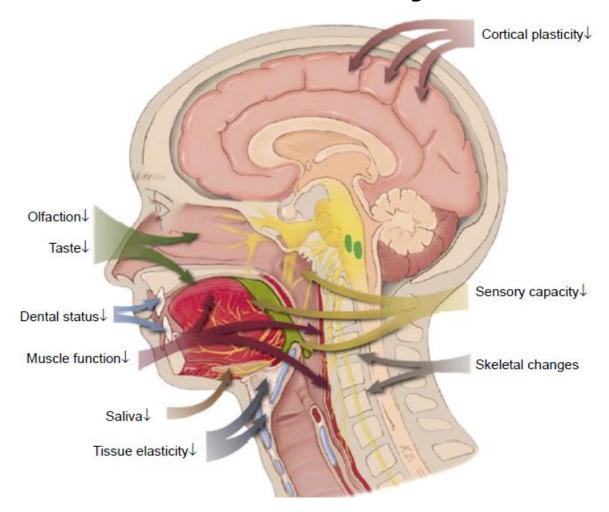
- Dysphagia
  - Esophageal (transport)
  - Oropharyngeal (transfer)
- Heartburn
- Regurgitation
- Odynophagia
- Chest pain
- Globus
- Supraesophageal symptoms
  - Cough and hoarseness

#### Dysphagia

 Problems with the transit of food or liquid from the mouth to the stomach

- Common clinical problem in the elderly
  - Due to aging per se?

## Factors associated with dysphagia in the elderly



#### Dysphagia in the elderly

- Aging alone causes mild esophageal motility abnormalities, which are rarely symptomatic.
- Should not be attributed to the normal aging
- Many diseases with the potential to provoke dysphagia show increasing prevalence with increasing age

Need for an **immediate evaluation** to define the exact cause and initiate appropriate therapy

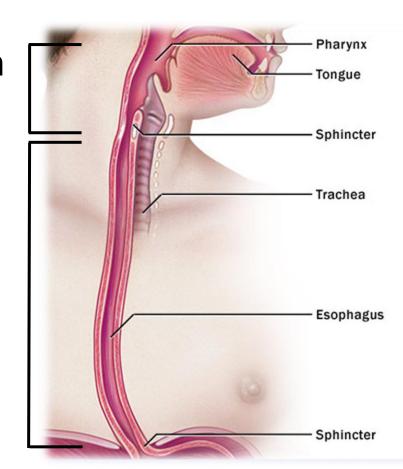
#### 4개월 간 GERD 치료, M/67



#### Two types of dysphagia

 Oropharyngeal dysphagia (=transfer dysphagia)

Esophageal dysphagia (=transport dysphagia)



#### Oropharyngeal dysphagia

- Typical symptoms
  - Drooling, coughing, and gurgling upon eating
  - Nasal regurgitation of food or liquid
  - Very soon after the onset of eating
- Cervical location of the dysphagia?
  - Occasionally in esophageal dysphagia

#### Causes of oropharyngeal dysphagia

**Anatomic** 

Zenker's

Diverticulum

Tumor

**Enlarged Thyroid** 

Osteophyte

Head/Neck Surgery

Web

Abscess

<u>Neurologic</u>

Cerebrovascular

Accident

Post-Polio Syndrome

Radiation Injury

Parkinsonism

Head/Neck Surgery

Multiple Sclerosis

CNS tumor

**Botulism** 

Supranuclear Palsy

Myotonic Dystrophy

Amyotrophic Lateral

Sclerosis

Muscular

Polymyositis

Myasthenia Gravis

Muscular dystrophy

Radiation Injury

Thyroid Disease

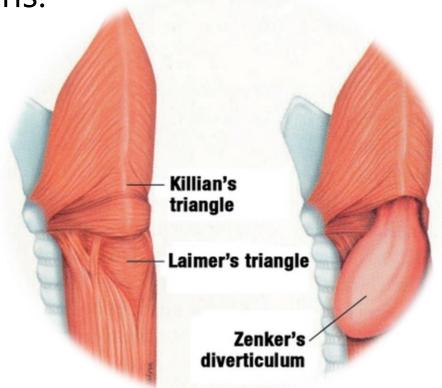
Head/Neck surgery

## Zenker's diverticulum (=hypopharyngeal diverticulum)

Usually asymptomatic

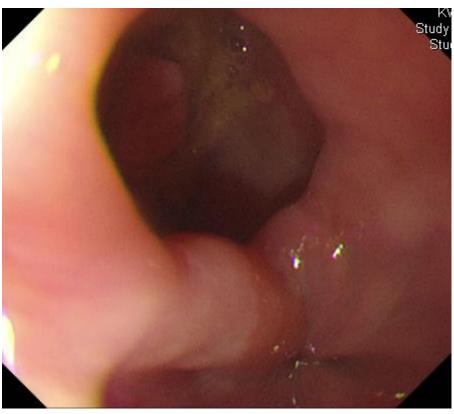
Decision to treat is based on the severity of

symptoms.



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#### Esophageal dysphagia

- Structural dysphagia
  - oversized bolus or a narrow lumen

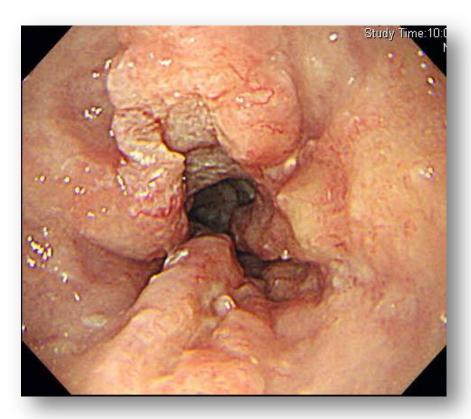
- Motor dysphagia
  - abnormalities of peristalsis or impaired sphincter relaxation after swallowing

#### Structural esophageal dysphagia

- Solid food dysphagia when narrowed to <13 mm</li>
  - Also with larger diameters in the setting of poorly masticated food or motor dysfunction
  - Circumferential lesions: more likely to cause
- Common causes: masses (both intrinsic and extrinsic), stricture (peptic, RT, op, EoE), rings, webs

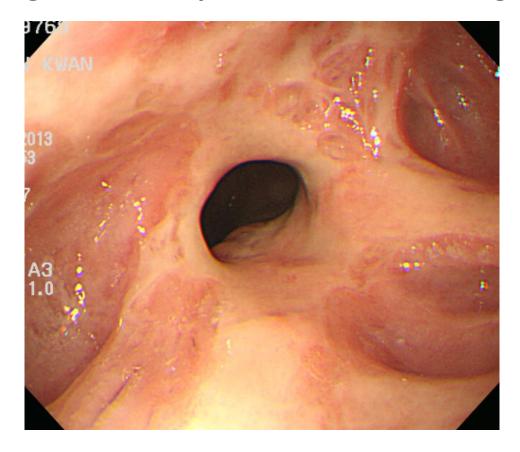
#### **Esophageal cancer**

- Progressive over weeks to months
- From solid to liquid
- Weight loss
- Risk factors

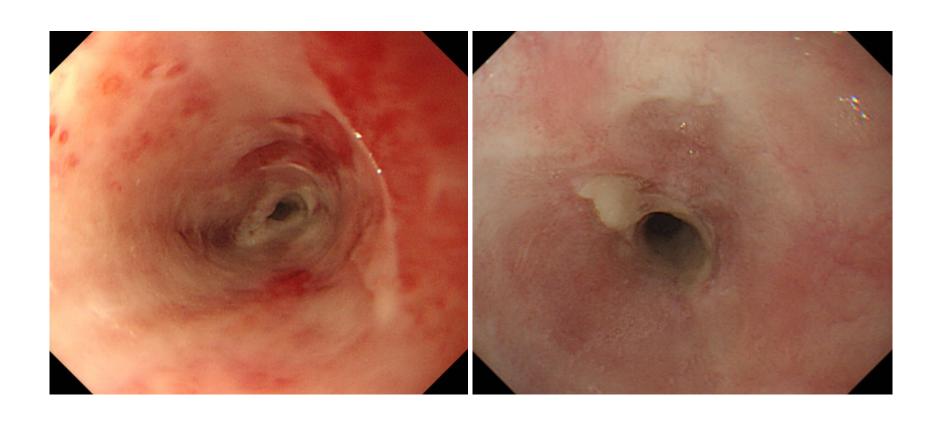


#### Peptic stricture

A prolonged history of heartburn/regurgitation



#### RT-induced esophageal stricture



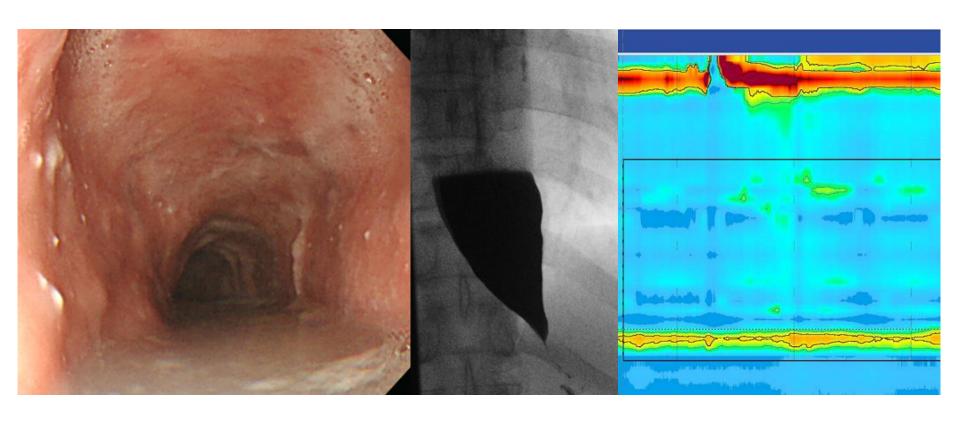
#### Motor dysphagia

- Diseases affecting smooth muscle involve the esophageal body and/or and the LES.
- Constant (or intermittent) dysphagia with both liquids and solids
- Common causes: achalasia, esophageal spasm, systemic sclerosis, EoE

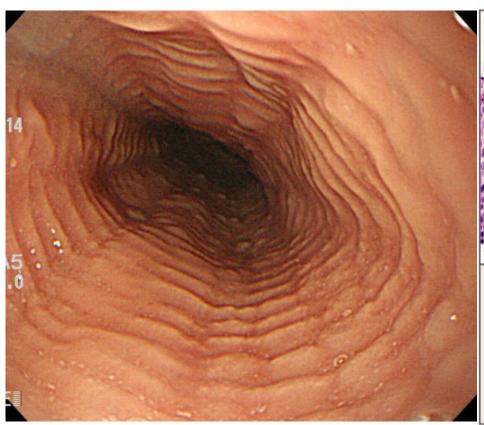
#### Symptoms of achalasia

- 1. Dysphagia for solids and liquids (>90%)
- 2. Regurgitation of undigested food (76-91%)
- 3. Weight loss (35-91%)
- 4. Chest pain (25-64%)
- 5. Heartburn (18-52%)
- 6. Nocturnal cough (30%)
- → Often diagnosed as refractory GERD

#### Diagnosis of achalasia



#### Eosinophilic esophagitis (EoE)



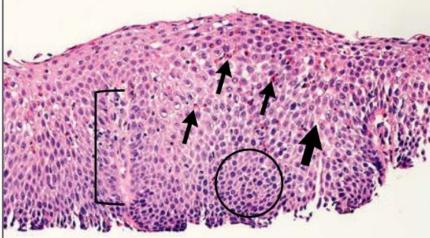
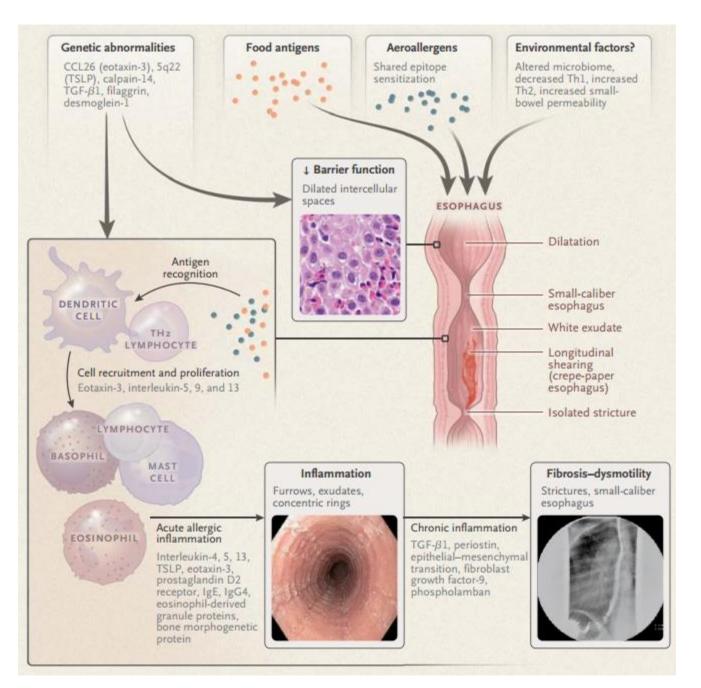


Figure 2. Histologic Characteristics of Eosinophilic Esophagitis.

Routine staining with hematoxylin and eosin reveals numerous eosinophils (thin arrows), dilated intercellular spaces (thick arrow), basal zone hyperplasia (circle), and papillary elongation (bracket).



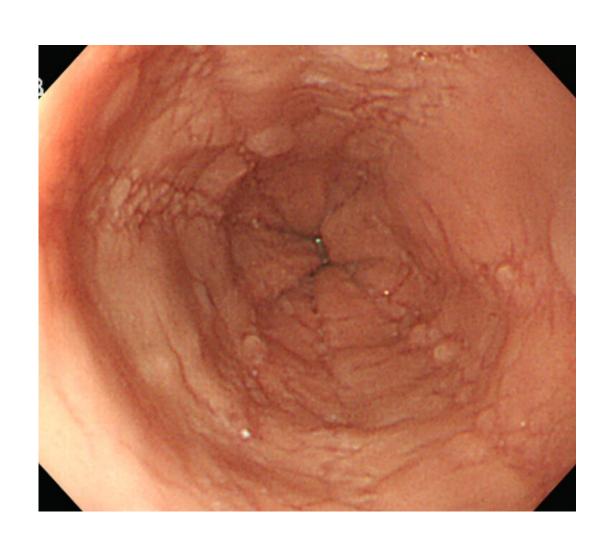
Furuta GT and Katzka DA, N Engl J Med 2015;373:1640-1648

Table 1. Medical Treatment of Active Eosinophilic Esophagitis.				
Method	Specific Recommendation or Dosage			
Elemental diet therapy	_			
Elimination diet therapy				
Six-food elimination	Elimination of milk, wheat, eggs, soy, seafood, and nuts			
Four-food elimination	Elimination of milk, wheat, eggs, and soy			
Allergy testing–based	Elimination of foods on the basis of results of radioallergosorbent testing, skin-prick testing, or atopy-patch testing*			
Omeprazole (proton-pump inhibitor)†	Children with body weight 10 to 20 kg: 10 mg twice a day Children with body weight >20 kg: 20 mg twice a day Adults: 40 mg once or twice a day			
Glucocorticoids				
Fluticasone	Children: 220 to 440 $\mu$ g twice a day Adults: 440 to 880 $\mu$ g twice a day			
Budesonide	Children: 0.25 to 0.5 mg twice a day Adults: 1 to 2 mg twice a day			

<sup>\*</sup> Approximately 45% of patients have a sustained response to this type of diet therapy.  $^{68}$ 

<sup>†</sup> An equivalent proton-pump inhibitor can be administered.

#### Asymptomatic EoE, M/70

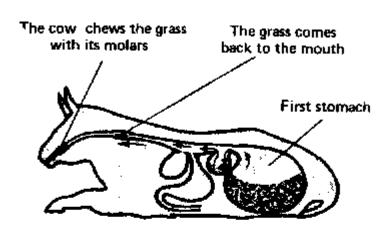


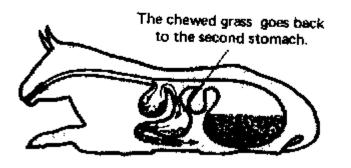
#### Asia-Pacific consensus on the management of gastroesophageal reflux disease: Update

Kwong Ming Fock,\* Nicholas J Talley,† Ronnie Fass,‡ Khean Lee Goh,§ Peter Katelaris,¶ Richard Hunt,\*\* Michio Hongo,†† Tiing Leong Ang,\* Gerald Holtmann,‡† Sanjay Nandurkar,§§ San Ren Lin,¶ Benjamin CY Wong,\*\*\* Francis KL Chan,††† Abdul Aziz Rani,‡†† Young-Tae Bak,§§§ Jose Sollano,¶¶ Lawrence KY Ho\*\*\*\* and Sathoporn Manatsathit††††

- Statement 1: GERD is defined as a disorder in which gastric contents reflux recurrently into the esophagus, causing troublesome symptoms and/or complications.
- Statement 2: Typical symptoms of reflux are heartburn (retrosternal burning sensation) and acid regurgitation, which are commonly experienced by Asian patients.

#### Rumination syndrome



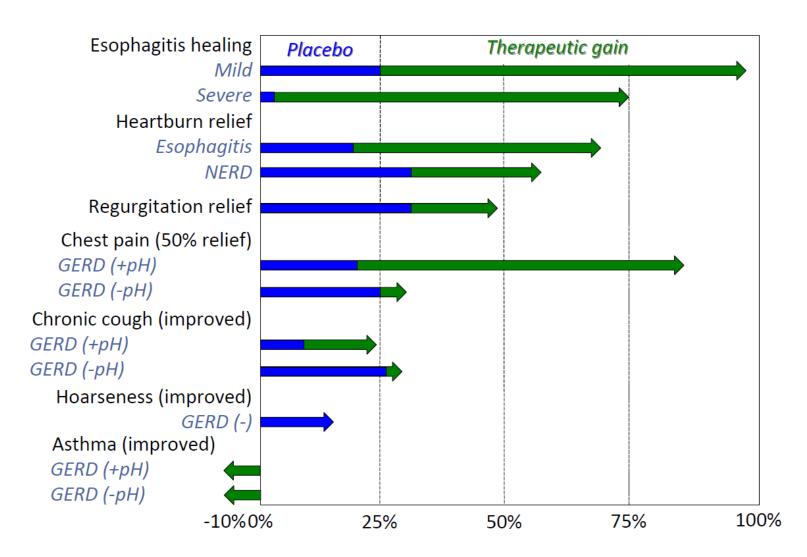


- Effortless, often repetitive, regurgitation of recently ingested food into the mouth (in humans)
- Not preceded by nausea or retching
- May be *erroneously* considered to have
   gastroparesis or GERD

#### Treatment for rumination syndrome

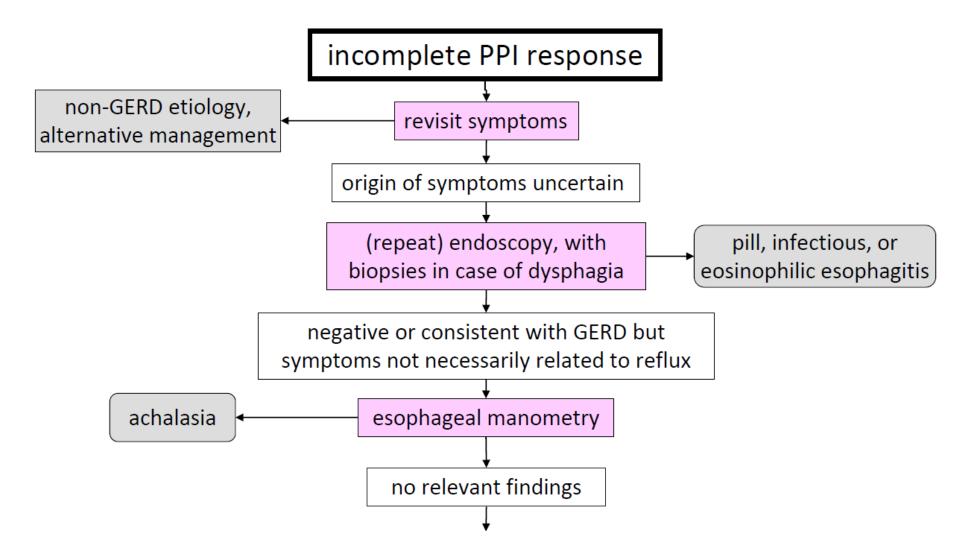
- The mainstay of treatment
  - explanation of the condition and mechanism
  - behavioural modifications
- Diaphragmatic breathing during the postprandial period
  - disappearance of rumination in 30–66% and improvement in another 20–55%
- Chewing gum
  - reduces the number of rumination events in young children and adolescents

#### PPI efficacy for potential manifestations of GERD Estimates based on available RCT data

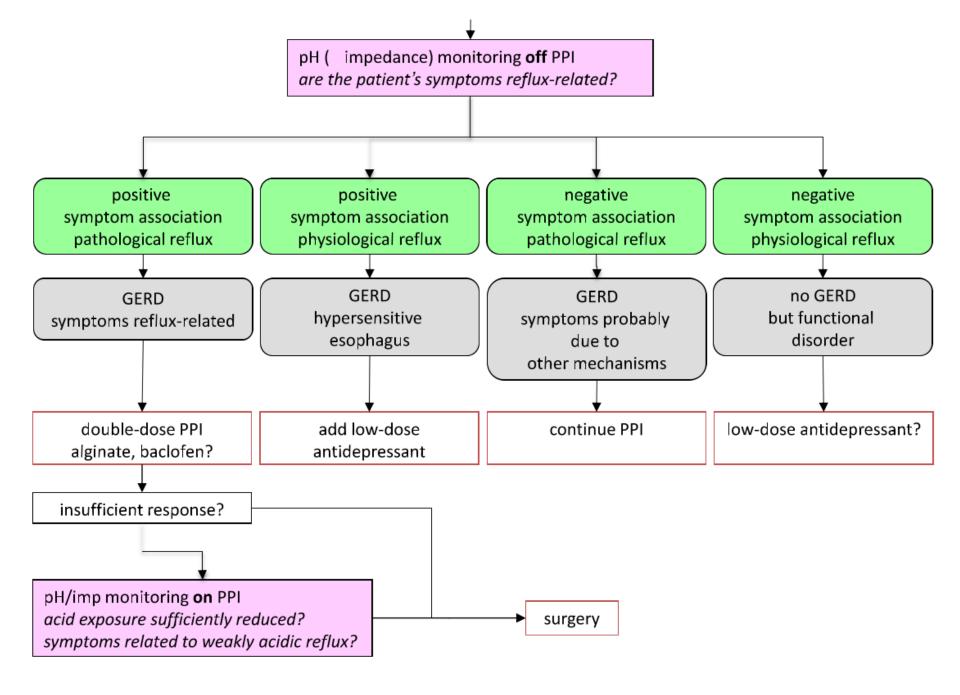


Kahrilas PJ and Boeckxstaens G. Gut 2012;61:1501-1509

#### Refractory GERD management



Kahrilas PJ, et al. Best Pract Res Clin Gastroenterol 2013;27:401-414



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#### Odynophagia

- Pain upon swallowing
- Strongly suggests the mucosal injury
- Causes: pill-induced esophagitis or infectious esophagitis, peptic esophagitis, RT-induced esophagitis

#### **Esophageal candidiasis**

- Presentation: Odynophagia with dysphagia
  - May be an incidental finding
- Treatment for symptomatic and/or immunocompromised patients
  - Fluconazole 100 mg/day for 7-14 days

# Antifungal treatment is not associated with remission for asymptomatic esophageal candidiasis: observational study (N=142)

TABLE 4. Univariate and Multivariate Analyses of Predisposing Factors for Nonremission of Esophageal Candidiasis

	Univariate Anal	ysis	Multivariate Analysis		
Variables	OR (95% CI)	P Value	OR (95% CI)	P Value	
Age (years)	1.052 (1.009-1.098)	0.019	1.031 (0.978-1.087)	0.258	
Sex					
Female	1		1		
Male	0.905 (0.375-2.186)	0.825	0.752 (0.250-2.259)	0.612	
Diabetes	0.172 (0.022-1.345)	0.093	0.247 (0.029-2.117)	0.202	
Cardiovascular disease	8.074 (1.405-46.412)	0.019	5.661 (0.785-40.831)	0.085	
Steroid use	3.857 (0.738-20.152)	0.110	2.649 (0.313-22.443)	0.372	
History of pulmonary tuberculosis	6.183 (1.807-21.159)	0.004	4.495 (1.023–19.762)	0.047	
Triglyceride (mg/dL)	0.995 (0.988-1.002)	0.157	0.994 (0.985-1.003)	0.165	
Rheumatoid factor (IU/mL)	1.071 (0.981-1.169)	0.127	1.031 (0.945–1.124)	0.490	
Esophageal Candidiasis Grade					
I	1		1		
II	1.539 (0.671-3.533)	0.309	1.164 (0.423-3.200)	0.768	
III	9.000 (0.768-105.430)	0.080	6.932 (0.469–102.427)	0.159	
Antifungal treatment	0.743 (0.313-1.762)	0.500	0.682 (0.238–1.950)	0.475	

## Details of antifungal treatment in the real practice

TABLE 3. Comparison of Antifungal Treatment Between Remission and Nonremission Group

Variables	Remission (n = 111)	Nonremission $(n=31)$	P Value	
Antifungal treatment	82 (73.9)	21 (67.7)	0.499	
Antifungal agent	, ,		0.467	
Fluconazole	69 (84.1)	20 (95.2)		
Itraconazole	3 (3.7)	0 (0)		
Nystatin	3 (3.7)	1 (4.8)		
Unknown	7 (8.5)	0 (0)		
Treatment duration (days)*	$9.0 \pm 2.8$	$10.2 \pm 3.1$	0.099	
Treatment duration categories*			0.090	
≤7 days	32 (46.4)	8 (40.0)		
>7 and <14 days	28 (40.6)	5 (25.0)		
≥14 days	9 (13.0)	7 (35.0)		
Daily dose (mg)*	$106.5 \pm 35.3$	$107.5 \pm 33.5$	0.912	
Total dose (mg)*	$973.9 \pm 443.1$	$1075.0 \pm 408.3$	0.363	
Total dose categories*			0.438	
≤700 mg	28 (40.6)	5 (25.0)		
>700 and <1400 mg	18 (26.1)	7 (35.0)		
≥1400 mg	23 (33.3)	8 (40.0)		

Data are shown as the mean  $\pm$  SD or number (%) of patients.

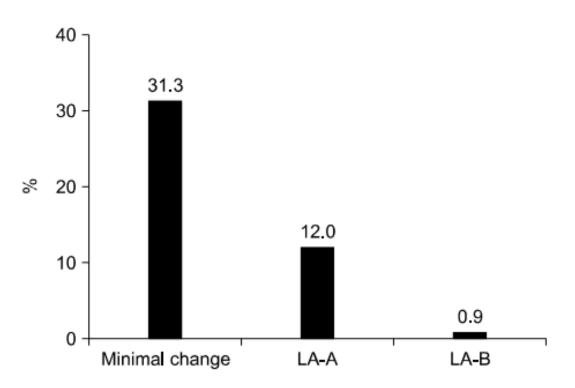
<sup>\*</sup> Subgroup analysis was performed in a group of patients who received fluconazole.

### Chest pain Noncardiac chest pain (NCCP)

- Retrosternal pain by esophageal pathology
- Sensory innervation of intrathoracic organ is intertwined.
- Pain upon exertion vs during and/or after meals
  - → lack of accuracy in making a diagnosis

#### Prevalence of RE in NCCP

- A retrospective study (N=217)

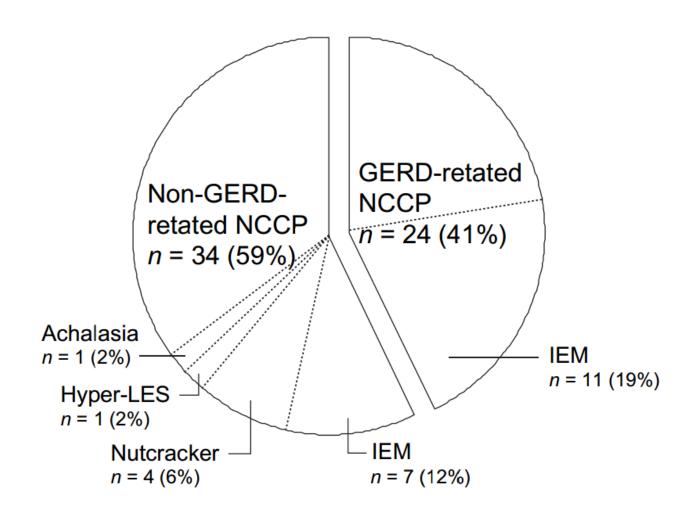


**Fig. 2.** Prevalence of reflux esophagitis in patients with noncardiac chest pain. Among them, 68 patients (31.3%) in minimal change esophagitis; 26 patients (12.0%) in Los Angeles (LA) grade A; 2 patients (0.9%) in LA grade B. There were no patients with severe erosive esophagitis.

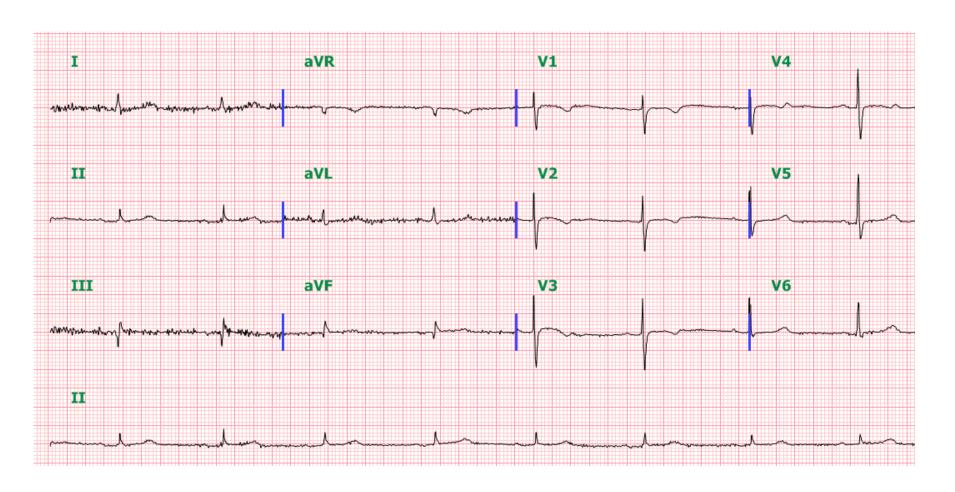
Mok JY, et al, Korean J Helicobacter Up Gastrointest Res 2016;16:88-91

#### **Upper GI evaluation in NCCP**

- A prospective analysis in 58 NCCP patients



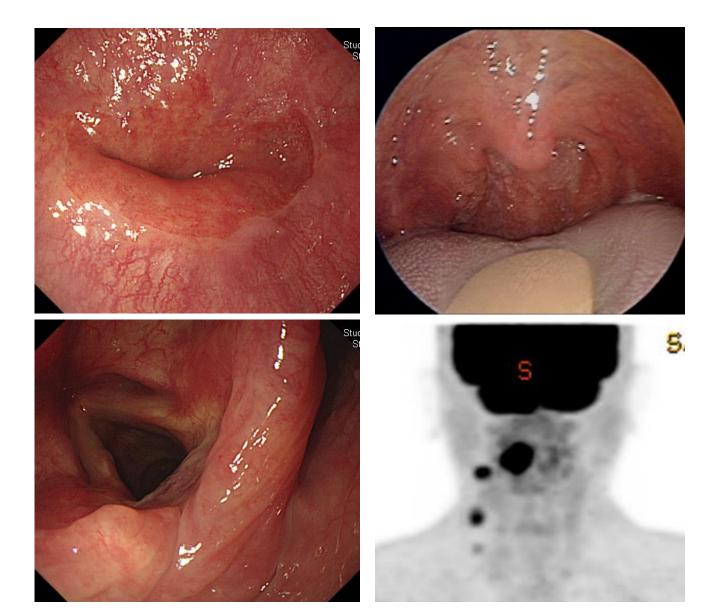
#### '식도염이 심하다', 76/F NSTEMI → PCI



#### **Globus**

- Non-painful sensation of 'lump' in the throat
- Usually in the region of the sternal notch
- Experienced without swallowing
- May actually get better with swallowing

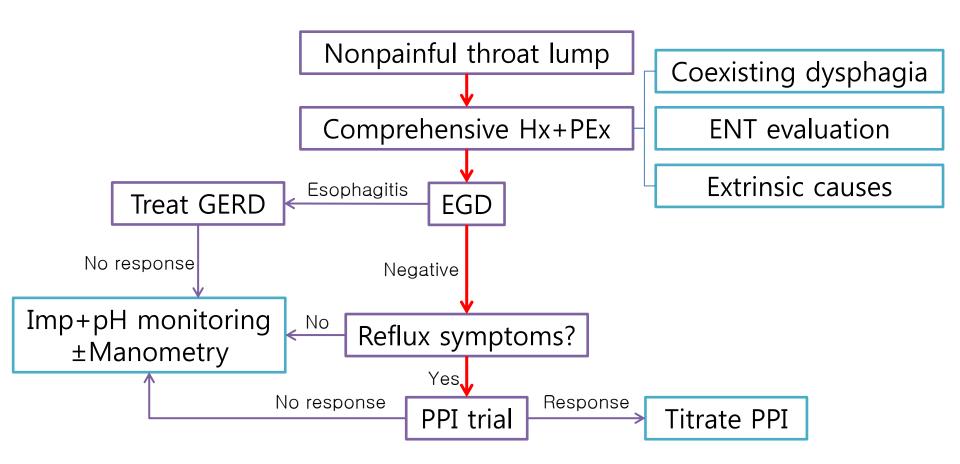
#### Rt tonsillar cancer with neck meta



#### Potential causes of globus

- Gastroesophageal reflux disease
- Abnormal upper esophageal sphincter function
- Esophageal motor disorders
- Pharyngeal inflammatory causes
- Upper aerodigestive malignancy
- Hypertrophy of the base of the tongue
- Retroverted epiglottis
- Thyroid diseases
- Cervical heterotopic gastric mucosa
- Rare laryngopharyngeal tumors
- Psychological factors and stress

#### Approach for patients with globus



### Supraesophageal symptoms (=extraesophageal symptoms)

- Recognition of the relationship of GERD with several pulmonary and otolaryngologic problems like cough, hoarseness, and asthma
- Weaker association than previously noticed

### No effect of PPI on poorly controlled asthma

- A parallel-group, double-blind trial (N=412)

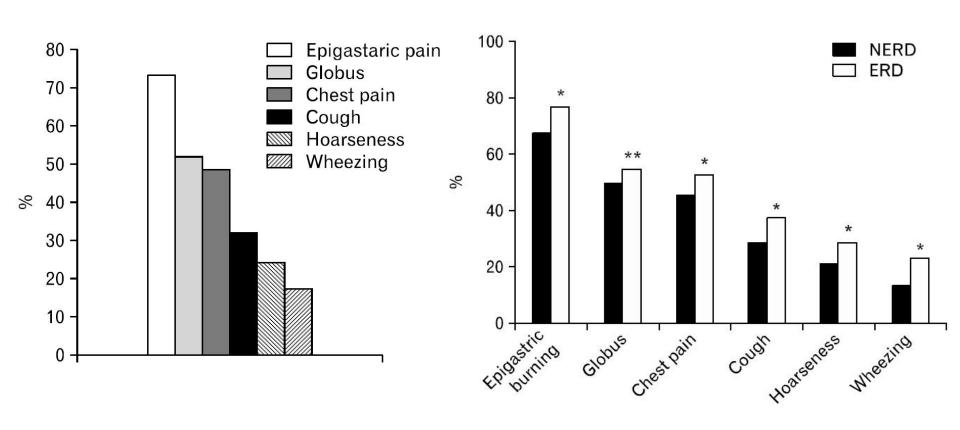
Variable	Placebo Esomeprazole (N=193) (N=200)		Incidence- Rate Ratio, Esomeprazole vs. Placebo (95% CI)	P Value	
Asthma episodes, according to definition that did not include use of beta-agonists as a criterion				Esomeprazole vs. Placebo†	Gastroesophageal- Reflux Interaction‡
No. of events	201	224			
No. of events/person-yr	2.3	2.5	1.1 (0.8–1.5)	0.66	0.93
Patients with ≥1 event (%)	42	42			
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<sup>†</sup> P values are for the treatment effect of esomeprazole as compared with placebo.

<sup>‡</sup> P values are for the modification of the treatment effect by pH-monitoring results, as estimated by linear regression.

#### Extra-esophageal symptoms

- in Korean GERD patients (N=1,712)



### Overdiagnosis of GERD as the sole cause of a patient's complaints

