

**Table 3**

**Truelove and Witts criteria of severity of ulcerative colitis<sup>10</sup>**

| Activity          | Mild          | Moderate   | Severe             |
|-------------------|---------------|------------|--------------------|
| No. of stools/day | ≤ 4           | 4-6        | ≥ 6                |
| Rectal bleeding   | Small amounts |            | Larger amounts     |
| Fever             | No            | No         | >37.5°C            |
| Tachycardia       | No            | No         | Yes                |
| Anaemia           | No            | No         | Yes (Hb < 105 g/L) |
| ESR               | ≤ 30 mm/hr    | ≤ 30 mm/hr | > 30 mm/hr         |