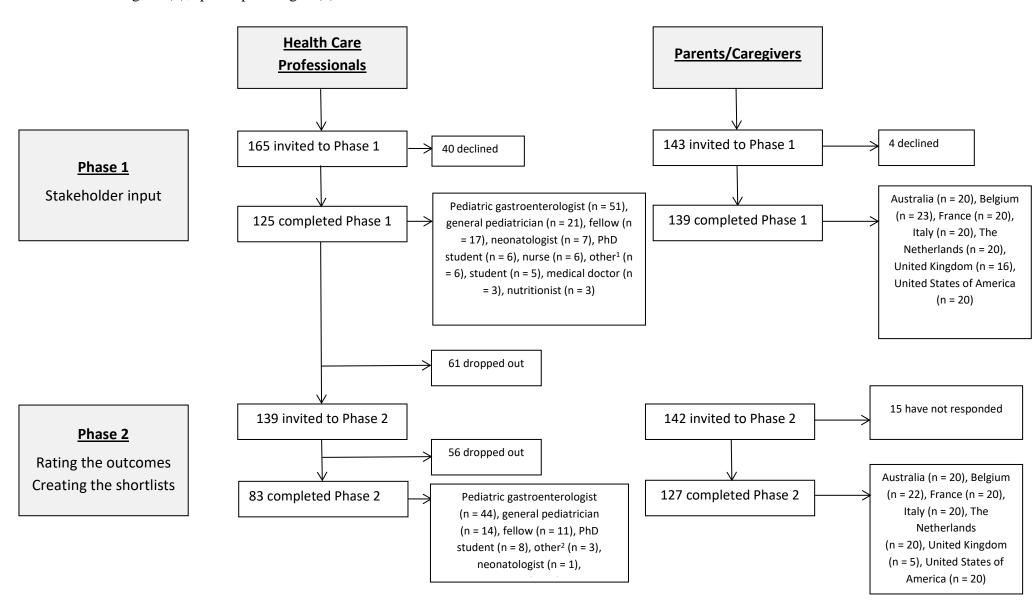
## Supplemental Figure 1. Study flowchart showing participants in each phase of the study

<sup>1</sup>Not further specified (4), physician (1), oncology pediatrician (1)

<sup>2</sup>Pediatric surgeon (2), speech pathologist (1)



Supplemental Table 1 Outcome measures as reported by healthcare professionals for the

outpatient setting (n=125) \*Outcomes that were mentioned by >10% of the respondents are highlighted in bold

Patient-related outc	omes		
Domain	Outcome	Total,	n (%)*
Thriving	Weight gain	68	(55)
	Failure to thrive	18	(15)
	Weight loss	9	(7)
	Normal thriving	8	(6)
Feeding	Feeding problems <sup>1</sup>	48	(39)
	Thickened feeds	3	(2)
	Breastfeeding	2	(2)
	Requiring enteral tube feeding	1	(1)
Symptoms	General symptom improvement	23	(19)
Crying/distress	Irritability	14	(11)
	Crying duration	13	(10)
	Crying (not further specified)	10	(8)
	Child comfort	8	(6)
	Colic	3	(2)
	Crying spells	1	(1)
Hematemesis	Hematemesis	14	(11)
Regurgitation/	Vomiting		
Vomiting	General (not further specified)	13	(10)
	Frequency	8	(6)
	Amount	1	(1)
	Regurgitation		
	General (not further specified)	5	(4)
	Frequency	3	(2)
	Amount	1	(1)
	Spitting		

	General (not further specified)	2	(2)
	Volume	2	(2)
	Frequency	1	(1)
	Reflux	3	(2)
	Rumination	1	(1)
Ear, Nose and	Respiratory symptoms	13	(10)
Throat symptoms	Aspiration/consequences of aspiration	11	(9)
	ALTE/SIDS <sup>2</sup>	4	(3)
	Respiratory infection	3	(2)
Medication	Any use of anti-reflux medication <sup>3</sup>	12	(10)
	Efficacy	12	(10)
	Safety	7	(6)
	Compliance	1	(1)
Complications	GERD-related complications <sup>4</sup>	12	(10)
Endoscopy	Evidence of esophagitis	11	(9)
parameters	Endoscopy (not further specified)	1	(1)
	Evidence of gastritis	1	(1)
Sleep	Quality and/or quantity of sleep	10	(8)
Posture/position	Posture/ position (not further specified)	7	(6)
Pain	Pain (not further specified)	6	(5)
	Back arching	5	(4)
	Abdominal pain	1	(1)
Hospital visits	Admissions	4	(3)
Laboratory	Parameters of anemia	4	(3)
parameters	General laboratory parameters (not further specified)	2	(2)
Costs	Cost of treatment (not further specified)	3	(2)
	Cost of admissions	2	(2)
Stool	Frequency	3	(2)
Death	Death	3	(2)
pH-MII parameters	pH-metry (parameters not further specified)	1	(1)

	pH-impedance (parameters not further specified)	1 (1)
Parent-and-patie	nt-related outcomes	
Quality of life	Quality of life <sup>5</sup>	5 (4)

Parent-related of	utcomes		
Domain	Outcome	Total, n ('	%)
Stress	Parental stress/anxiety	20 (1	6)
Reassurance	Education	10 (8	3)
	Reassurance	2 (2	2)
Satisfaction	Satisfaction	6 (5	5)
	Parental quality of life	3 (2	2)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Including aversion, intake, pattern, volume and milk tolerance

(three unclear outcomes ("less suitable," "achievement of greater potential" and "increase of allergy intake") are not displayed)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Apparent life-threatening event/Sudden infant death syndrome

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Including proton-pump inhibitors, histamine-2 receptor antagonists, antacids, prokinetics

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Including complications (not further specified) (4), infections (3), perforation (2), ulcer (1), H. pylori (1), Sandifer syndrome (1)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Not specified whether outcome relates to the patient or parents/family

**Supplemental Table 2** Outcome measures as reported by healthcare professionals for the <u>inpatient</u> setting (n=122) \*Outcomes that were mentioned by >10% of the respondents are highlighted in bold

Patient-related outcor	mes		
Domain	Outcome	Total	l, n (%)*
Thriving	Weight gain	55	(45)
	Failure to thrive	11	(9)
	Weight loss	9	(7)
	Normal thriving	6	(5)
Feeding	Feeding problems <sup>1</sup>	52	(43)
	Requiring enteral tube feeding <sup>2</sup>	7	(6)
	Use of thickened feeds	3	(2)
	Breastfeeding	1	(1)
Complications	GERD-related complications <sup>3</sup>	25	(20)
Symptoms	General symptom improvement	22	(18)
Ear, Nose and Throat	Respiratory symptoms	21	(17)
symptoms	Aspiration	10	(8)
	Respiratory infection	5	(4)
	Lung damage	3	(2)
	ALTE/SIDS <sup>4</sup>	2	(2)
Hematemesis	General (not further specified)	21	(17)
	Frequency	1	(1)
Regurgitation/	Vomiting		
vomiting	General (not further specified)	14	(11)
	Frequency	3	(2)
	Regurgitation		
	General (not further specified)	3	(2)
	Frequency	1	(1)
	Spitting		
	General (not further specified)	1	(1)

	Frequency	1	(1)
	Volume	1	(1)
	Reflux	2	(2)
Endoscopy	Evidence of esophagitis	14	(11)
parameters	Endoscopy (not further specified)	5	(4)
	Evidence of gastritis	1	(1)
Medication	Any use of anti-reflux medication <sup>5</sup>	13	(11)
	Efficacy	8	(7)
	Safety	7	(6)
	Compliance	1	(1)
Crying/distress	Irritability	10	(8)
	Crying duration	10	(8)
	Child comfort	5	(4)
	Crying (not further specified)	3	(2)
	Crying spells	1	(1)
Costs	Cost of treatment (not further specified)	8	(7)
Sleep	Quality and/or quantity of sleep	7	(6)
Hospital visits	Duration of admissions	6	(4)
	Number of admissions	3	(2)
Pain	Pain (not further specified)	4	(3)
	Back arching	3	(2)
	Abdominal pain	2	(2)
Laboratory	Parameters of anemia	4	(3)
parameters	General laboratory parameters (not further specified)	1	(1)
Death	Death	4	(3)
Position/posture	Position/posture (not further specified)	4	(3)
pH-MII parameters	pH-metry (parameters not further specified)	3	(2)
	pH-impedance (parameters not further specified)	2	(2)
Stool	Frequency	3	(2)
	Consistency	1	(1)

## Parent-and-patient-related outcomes

Quality of life Quality of life<sup>6</sup> 3 (2)

Parent-related outcomes			
Domain	Outcome	Total, n (%)	
Stress	Parental stress/anxiety	11 (9)	
Reassurance	Education	6 (4)	
	Reassurance	3 (2)	
Satisfaction	Satisfaction	5 (4)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Including aversion, intake, pattern, volume and milk tolerance

(five unclear outcomes, ("reversible," "allergy signs (2)," "allergy in family" and "achievement of greater potential") are not displayed)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Including percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy, enteral feeding, nasogastric tube and IV fluid

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Including complications (outcome not further specified) (6), infections (4), Sandifer syndrome (1), associated disease (1), malformation in intestine (1), sepsis (1), H. pylori (1), skin eczema (1), dysphagia (1), perforation stomach (1), nasogastric tube trauma (1), esophageal strictures (1), surgery side effects (1), improved vital signs (1), abnormal upper gastro intestinal series suggestive of medical issues (1), ulcer (1), chest problems (1)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Apparent life-threatening event/Sudden infant death syndrome/Brief resolved unexplained events

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Including proton-pump inhibitors, histamine-2 receptor antagonists, antacids, prokinetics

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Not specified whether outcome relates to the patient or parents/family

**Supplemental Table 3** Outcome measures as reported by parents (n=139) \* Outcomes that were mentioned by >10% of the respondents are highlighted in bold

Patient-related outcomes			
Domain	Outcome	Total, ı	n (%)*
Feeding	Feeding problems <sup>1</sup>	52	(37)
	Use of thickened feeds	12	(9)
	Requiring enteral tube feeding	1	(1)
Medication	Any use of anti-reflux medication <sup>2</sup>	36	(26)
	Efficacy	12	(9)
	Safety	9	(6)
	Compliance	2	(1)
Regurgitation/	Regurgitation		
Vomiting	General (not further specified)	27	(19)
	Amount	2	(1)
	Vomiting		
	General (not further specified)	23	(17)
	Amount	3	(2)
	Reflux	10	(7)
	Acid smell	3	(2)
	Eructation	3	(2)
	Regurgitation/reflux	3	(2)
	Hiccup	2	(1)
	Nausea	2	(1)
	Drooling	1	(1)
	Gagging	1	(1)
Symptoms	General symptom improvement	26	(19)
Crying/distress	Child comfort	23	(17)
	Crying duration	18	(13)
	Crying (not further specified)	14	(10)

	Irritability	14	(10)
	Colic	3	(2)
Ear, Nose and	Respiratory symptoms	22	(16)
Throat symptoms	Aspiration	1	(1)
	Respiratory infection	1	(1)
Sleep	Quality and/or quantity of sleep	22	(16)
Thriving	Weight gain	15	(11)
	Normal thriving	5	(4)
	Weight loss	3	(2)
	Failure to thrive	1	(1)
Pain	Pain (not further specified)	13	(9)
	Back arching	3	(2)
	Abdominal pain	1	(1)
	Epigastric pain	1	(1)
Posture/position	Posture/ position (not further specified)	12	(9)
Complications	GERD-related complications <sup>3</sup>	6	(4)
Hospital visits	Admissions	2	(1)
Stool	Frequency	2	(1)
Endoscopy	Evidence of esophagitis	1	(1)
parameters			
Hematemesis	Hematemesis	1	(1)
Parent-and-patien	t-related outcomes		
Quality of life	Quality of life <sup>4</sup>	2	(1)
Parent-related out	comes		
Domain	Outcome	Total,	n (%)
Reassurance	Parental reassurance	64	(46)
	Education	20	(14)
Satisfaction	Parental satisfaction	47	(34)
	Parental quality of life	2	(1)
Stress	Family support	6	(4)

## Parental stress/anxiety

3

(2)

(one unclear outcome ("no consideration of pregnancy") is not displayed)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Including food aversion, food intake, feeding pattern, volume of feeds, pain and milk tolerance

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Including proton-pump inhibitors, histamine-2 receptor antagonists, antacids, prokinetics

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Including hypotonia (2), rash (2), bradycardia (1), digestive problems (1)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Not specified whether outcome relates to the patient or parents/family