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| **Rome III criterion:** | **PEG3350+E**(n=48) | **PEG4000**(n=49) | **All**(n=97) |
| Two or fewer defecations per week (n, %) | 48 | 100% | 49 | 100% | 97 | 100% |
| Fecal incontinence (n, %) | 29 | 60% | 32 | 65% | 61 | 63% |
| History of excessive stool retention/retentive posturing or excessive volitional stool retention (n, %) | 30 | 63% | 34 | 69% | 64 | 66% |
| History of hard or painful bowel movements (n, %) | 40 | 83% | 46 | 94% | 86 | 89% |
| Presence of a large fecal mass in the rectum\* (n, %) | 24 | 50% | 30 | 61% | 54 | 56% |
| History of large diameter stools which may obstruct the toilet\*\* (n, %) | 23 | 48% | 28 | 57% | 51 | 53% |
| Patients fulfilling ≥2 criteria (n, %) | 47 | 98% | 49 | 100% | 96 | 99% |

**Suppl Table 2. Compliance of subjects with Rome III criteria for functional constipation (ITT population).\* respectively 41 and 43 subjects underwent digital rectal examination. \*\* only determined in subjects**

**aged >2 years (respectively 39 and 41 subjects).**