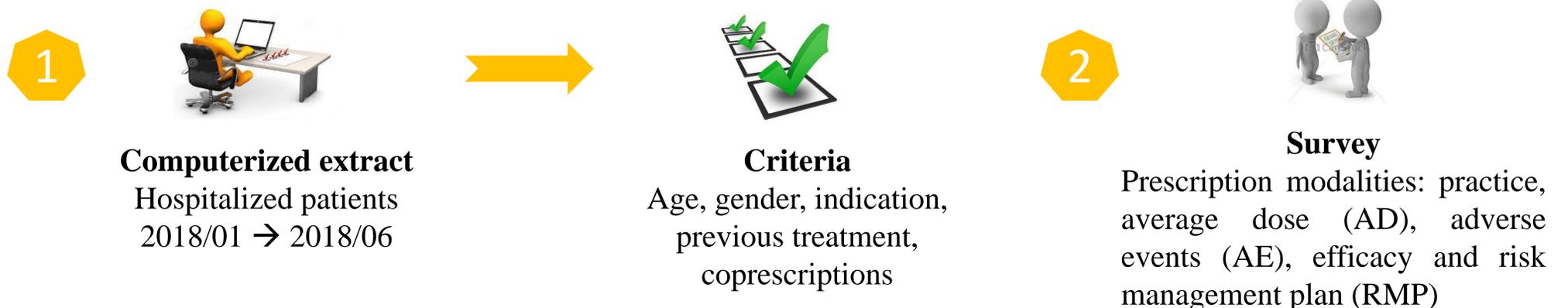


Clozapine, the first atypical neuroleptic (NL) medicine, on the market since 1991, has had to compete with other NL medications, better tolerated and without any prescription constraints.

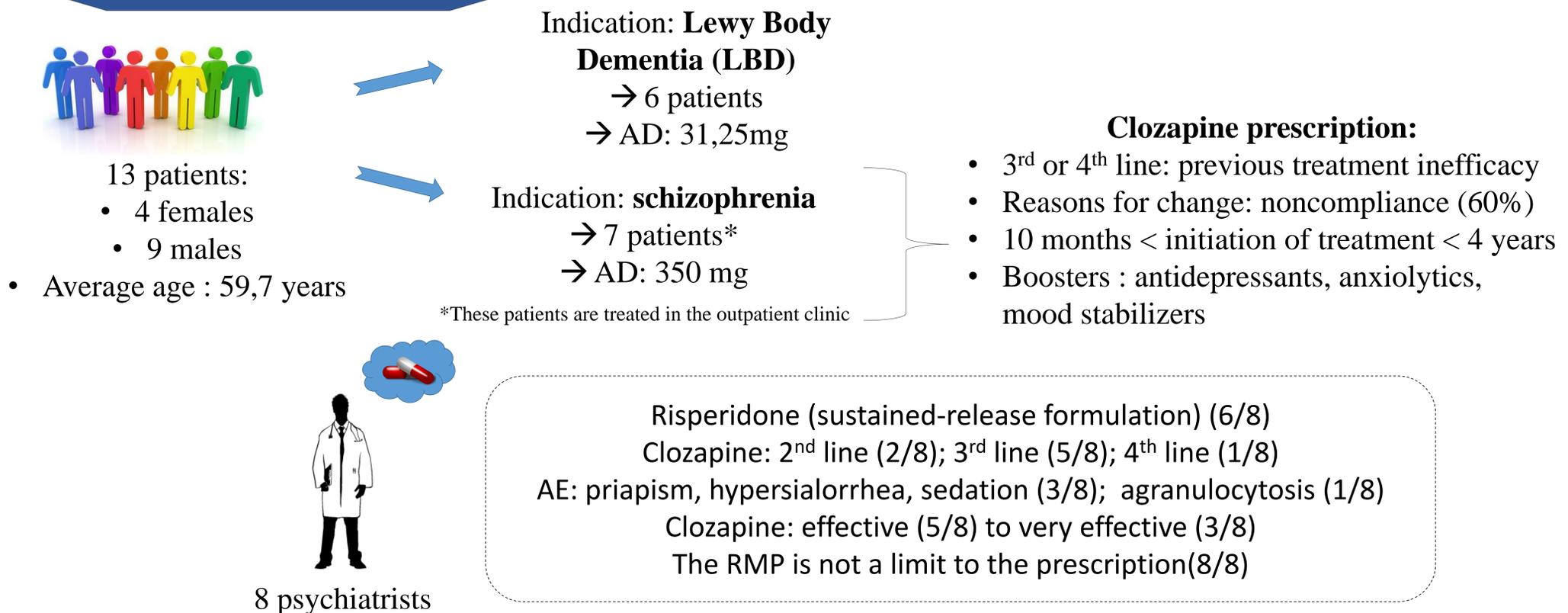
Objectives

In order to understand the situation of clozapine today, a survey reviewed clozapine prescriptions (Q1 and Q2 - 2018) and analysed the evolution of the psychiatrists' prescriptions.

Study design



Results & discussion



Limits of clozapine prescriptions:

- Quality of the doctor-patient relationship
- Need of a few weeks of hospitalization for initiating the therapy
- Need of medical monitoring

Psychiatrists' needs: a sustained-released formulation (one tablet a day) and a lighter medical monitoring.

Conclusion

Patient's compliance to clozapine is a *sine qua non* condition for a successful therapy. Its efficacy can predict an earlier and more frequent use.

