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THE CLINICAL PHARMACIST: AN ESSENTIAL ACTOR IN TIMES OF CRISIS



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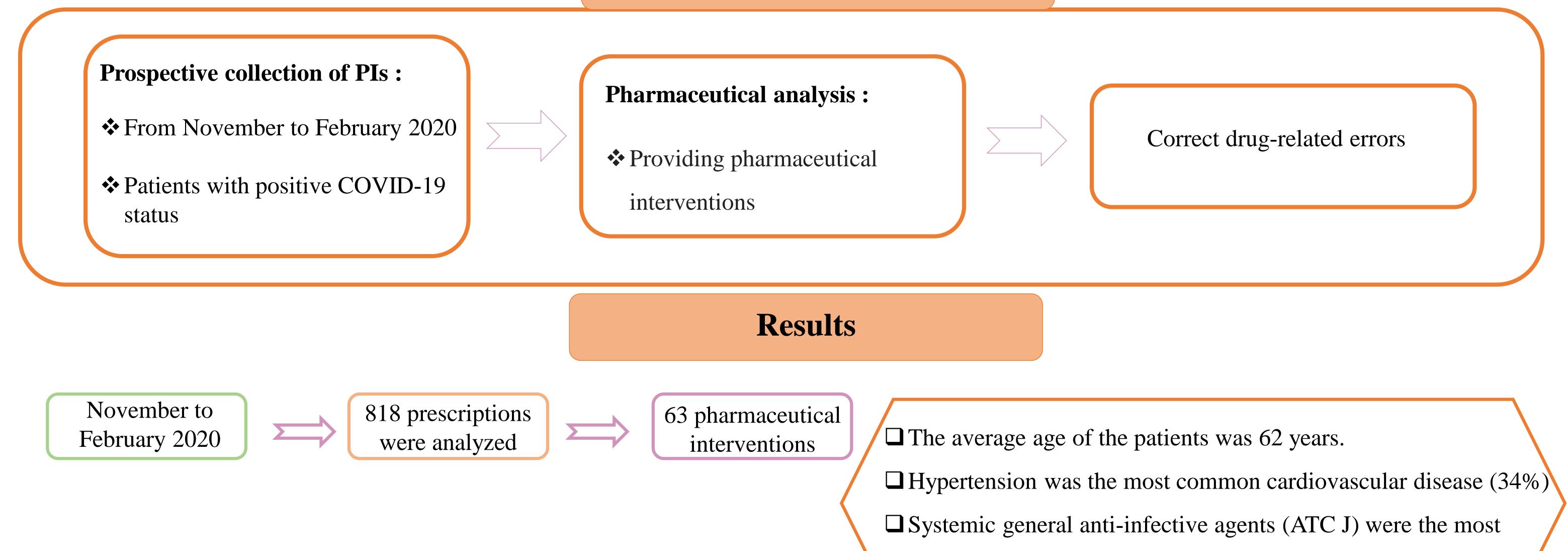
Background and Importance

During the health emergency period related to the emergence of the COVID-19 pandemic, clinical pharmacists have played a vital role in mitigating medication errors, especially prescription errors in hospitals.

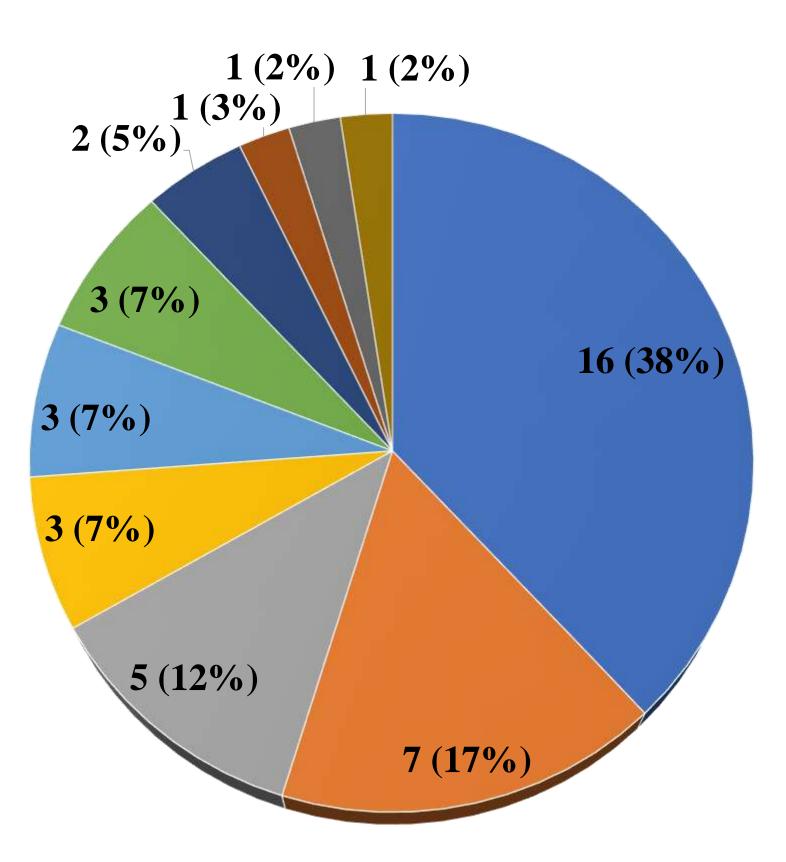
Aim and objectives

Descriptive analysis of pharmaceutical interventions (PI) on prescriptions for patients in COVID units at our institution.

Material and methods



> <u>Drug-related</u> problems:



Overdosage

- Drug use without indication
 Non-conformity to guidelines
- Underdosage
- Drug interaction
- Untreated indication
- Drug follow-up
- Inappropriate administration
 Failure to receive drugs
- Side effect

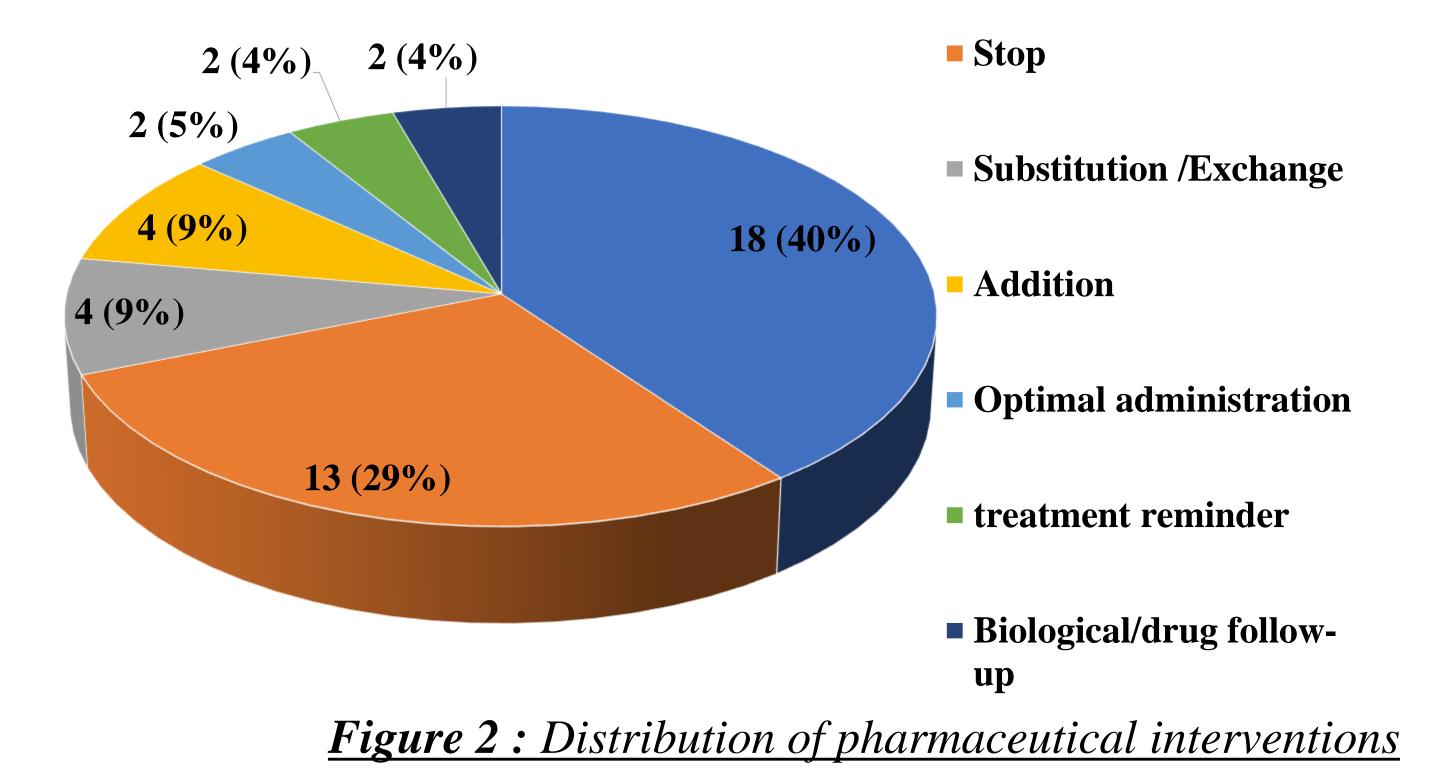
Figure 1: Types of drug-related problems identified



responsive PIs

Pharmaceutical interventions:





The problem of dosage, particularly overdose, ranked first with a percentage of 38% {Corticosteroids , hydroxychloroquine }

Followed by drug use without indication (17 %): forgetting to stop vitamin therapy and antibiotics.

Dosage adaptation (40%) was the most prevalent PI : adaptation of hydroxychloroquine to kidney function

Followed by PIs that led to stopping the drug (29%)

Conclusion

□ The commitment of clinical pharmacy in such a pandemic is therefore important.

The presence of clinical pharmacists has led to a significant reduction in prescription problems related to drugs