

CYBER RESILIENCE : DEVELOPMENT OF A DIGITAL CLINICAL CONTINUITY SOLUTION TO MAINTAIN SAFE PRESCRIPTION AND COMPOUNDING ASSISTANCE IN ONCOLOGY

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Background & importance

• In France, the growing threat of cyberattacks on healthcare has leaded health authorities to mandate the deployment of clinical continuity plan in each hospital department.

• In Oncology, care units and hospital pharmacy often share the same Electronic Medical Record (EMR) CHIMIO® (Computer Engineering) which combines a Computerized Physician Order Entry (CPOE) with an intra-venous compounding workflow management system (IVWMS).



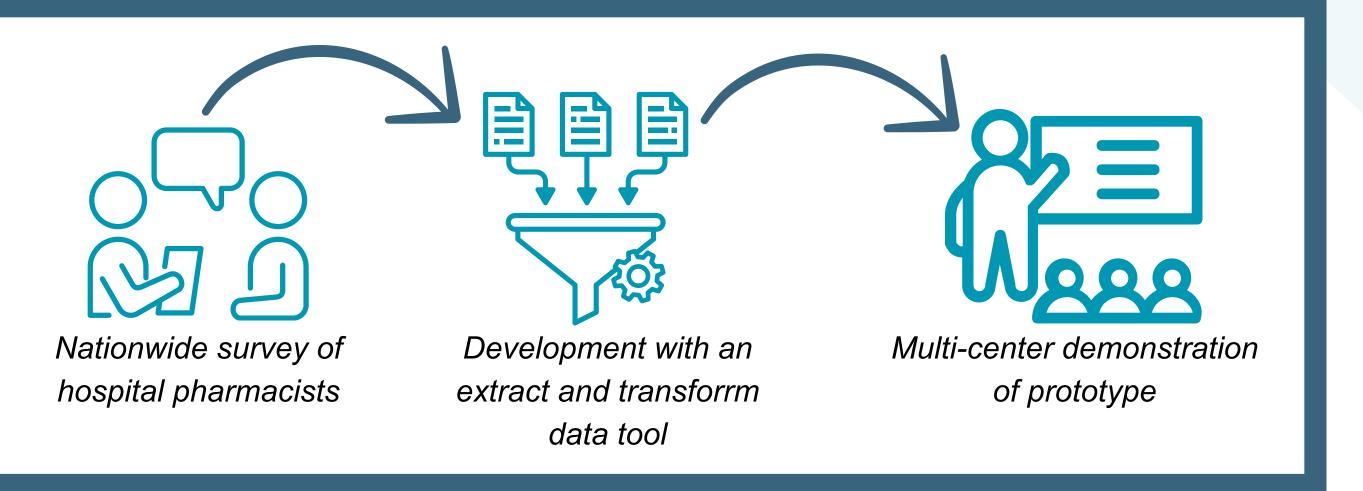
This digital workflow is dramatically sensitive to cyberattacks and its unplanned interruption can disrupt care and force patients to be rerouted to other hospitals

Aim & objectives

Develop a digital contingency plan in oncology, in order to maintain the oncology workflow safe and secure, avoiding to go back to pen and papers in case of cyberattacks

Material and methods

- Nationwide survey of hospital pharmacists with or without cyberattack experience
- Development of the solution
- Multi-center demonstration of the prototype with benchmark test and improvements based on feedbacks



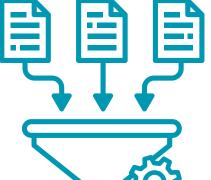
Results

Nationwide survey

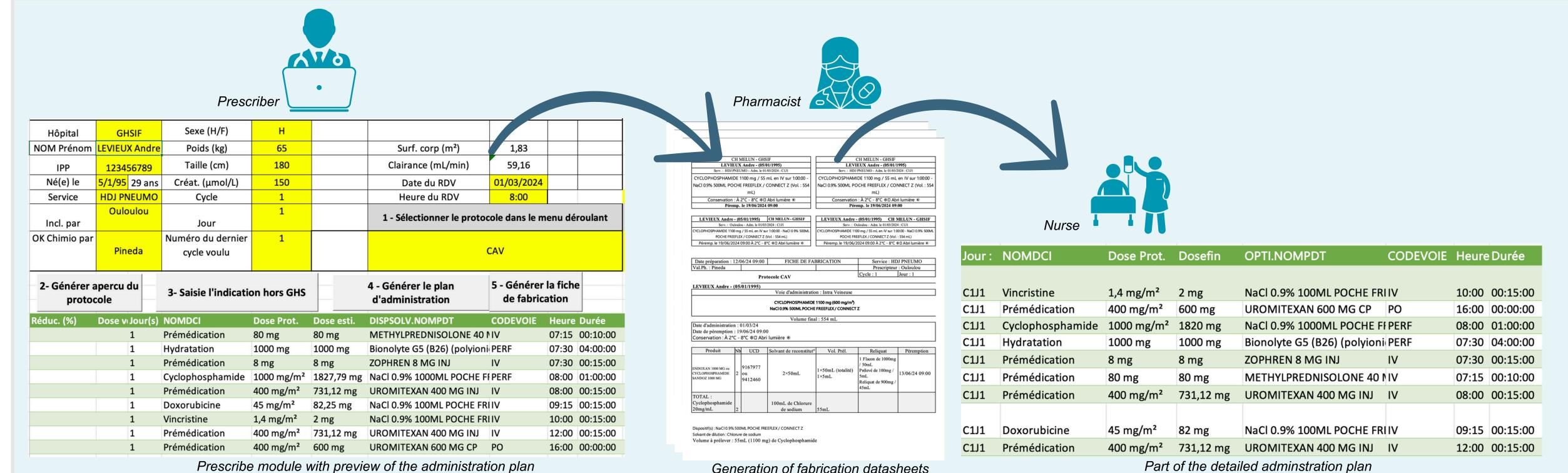
- 88 surveys responses lead project specification to include
 - Fast and easy recovery solution
 - Secure, automated and equivalent calculation of regimens and compounding formulas



Development of the solution



- Extraction of dozens of tables from the database used by CHIMIO®
- Digestion of data by a PowerQuery code (Microsoft Excel ®)
- \rightarrow Able to assist prescribers and pharmacists in prescription and dispensation the same way as usual
- \rightarrow Works offline and easily communicable between computers from care units to the hospital pharmacy



Generation of fabrication datasheets

Part of the detailed adminstration plan



- Tests in 5 different hospitals
- Comprehensive coverage of oncology protocols (pediatric, hematologic, home health care...)

Conclusion & relevance

- The success of these multiples demonstrations claims transposable results in each hospital using CHIMIO®.
- Although usable by oncologist and pharmacist, the next step is to embed the code in an Excel-free solution.
- In the future, this consolidate version could handle stock management and be qualified as a stand-alone solution of cyber-resilience in the chemotherapy workflow.