IMPACT OF PHARMACEUTICAL INTERVIEW IN PATIENT ACCEPTANCE OF INSULIN GLARGINE'S BIOSIMILAR 100UI/ML



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BACKGROUND

- Insulin glargine's biosimilar (IB) → far less costly for the health care system
- Prescription of biosimilar → not yet predominant
- Patient → must give his consent to be prescribed a biosimilar

OBJECTIVES

Our study is aimed to assess the knowledge of diabetics patients about their insulin glargine therapy and biosimilars, and then to assess the impact of a pharmaceutical interview in IB patient acceptance.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

QUESTIONNAIRE PATIENT BIOSIMILAIRE Name: Date: 1 Do you know what a biologic meds is? 2 Do you know what a biologic meds is? 3 If yes, give a definition 4 If yes, bour did you get the information? Media: Relative: Med.: Autre: Do you know the biosimilar of you insulin? 5 Do you know the biosimilar of you insulin? 6 Do you want to have information about biosimilar? 7 Explications given 9 Other queetions of patient: 19 If your dector would purpose to switch to a biosimilar, would you agree? 10 What are the reasons?

PHARMACEUTICAL INTERVIEW

Questionnaire to analyze knowledge of patients about biologics drugs and biosimilars

Informations about biologics and biosimilars

Questionnaire to evaluate their acceptance for biosimilar switch

Realization of a **prospective study** in our diabetology department, inclusion of all hospitalized patients with insulin glargine.

Figure 1: Questionnaire for patients

RESULTS

Characteristics	Study Cohort(n=54)
Patients	
Age, years, mean (S.D.)	51 (19.51)
Sex Ratio	0,64
Disease characteristics	
Type 1 Diabetes	26 (48%)
Type 2 Diabetes	22 (41%)
Other diabetes	6 (11%)
Insulinotherapy characteristics	
Start insulinotherapy,	2006 (12.33)
years, mean (S.D.)	
Biosimilars	9 (18%)
Reason of hospitalization	
Diabete desequilibrate	41 (76%)
Diabete discover	5 (9%)
Other	8 (15%)

Didn't know what was a biological drug Didn't know what was a biosimilar Wanted to receive informations about biosimilars Would be in favor of the biosimilar switch

PATIENTS

SWITCH TO BIOSIMILAR → QUOTES FROM PATIENTS

YES : WHY ?

- « Yes, because it seems to be equivalent »
- « If my doctor prescribe it, i trust him »
- ✓ « Yes, because it's a progress and it is good for the research »



NO : WHY ?

- x « No, because i'm scared of side effects »
- x « No, i'm scared that it wouldn't be as efficient »

CONCLUSION

The development of pharmaceutical interviews is a key point to improve the acceptance of biosimilar considering the lack of knowledge of patients about their treatments.

