Vedolizumab: early experience and medium-term outcomes in inflammatory bowel disease.

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Background

• Vedolizumab is a monoclonal antibody approved for the treatment of moderately to severely inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) who have had inadequate or loss of response or were intolerant to a tumor necrosis factor-alpha inhibitor (anti-TNF).

Purpose

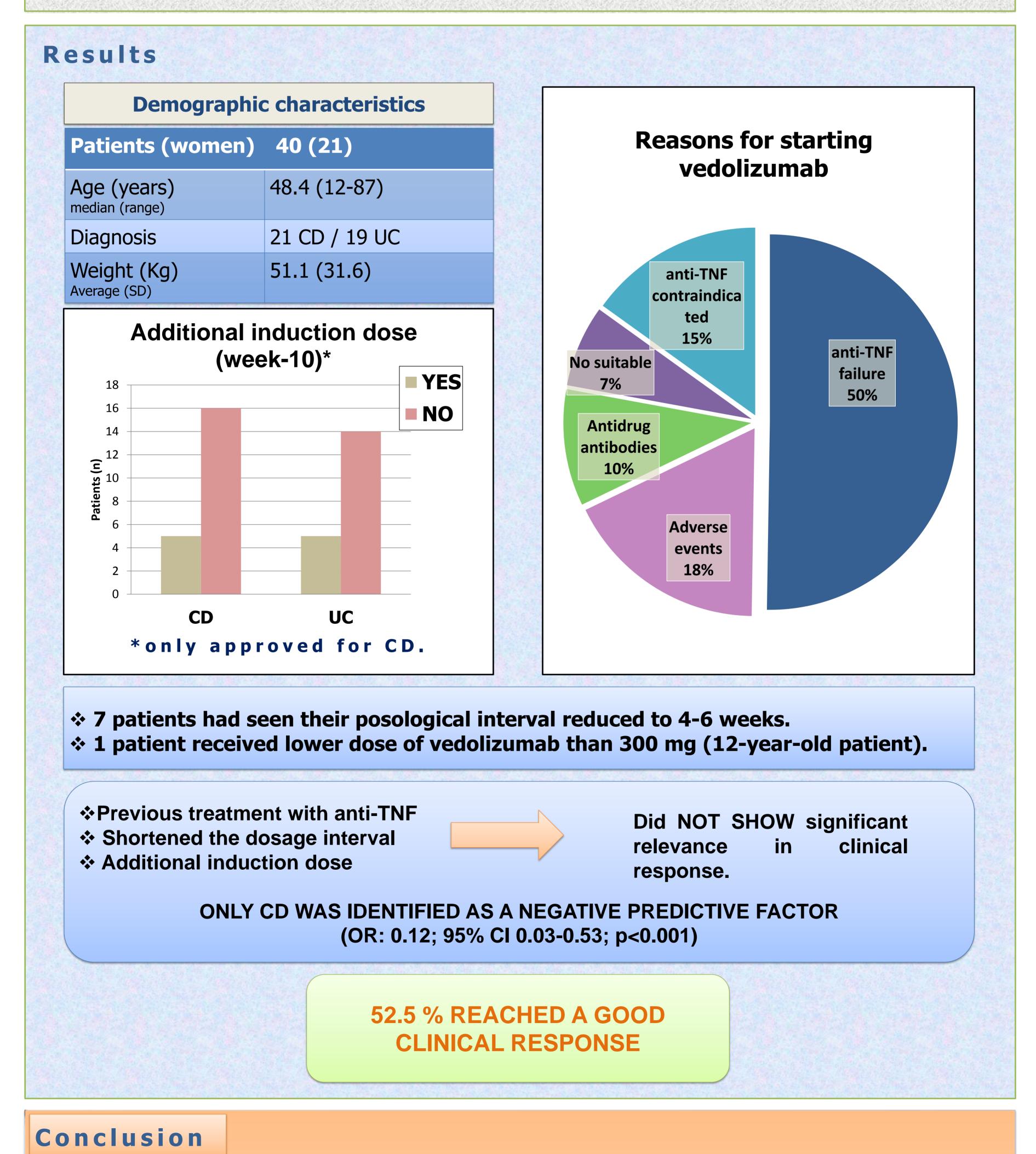
•To assess prescribing patterns and effectiveness of vedolizumab in patients with IBD.

Material and Methods

• Retrospective review of patients with Crohn's disease (CD) and ulcerative colitis (UC) treated with vedolizumab (July 2015- September 2017).

• Variables:

- Demographic, clinical and pharmacotherapeutic information.
- Reasons for starting vedolizumab.
- Previous treatment with anti-TNF, dose regimen and use of an additional induction dose (week-10) of vedolizumab.
- Biochemical parameters [(C-reactive protein (CRP) and fecal calprotectin (FC)].



- The suitability of vedolizumab treatment in patients with IBD was appropriate in a high percentage of patients.
- In terms of efficacy, approximately half of the patients benefited from the treatment.
- It would be necessary to evaluate the continuity of treatment with vedolizumab in patients who had not responded to therapy.



