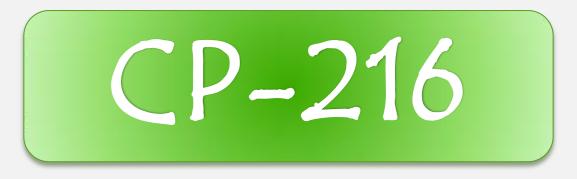


USING RITUXIMAB FOR OFF-LABEL INDICATIONS

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OBJECTIVE



To analyse **Rituximab's off-label indications** as well as the treatment schedule used to evaluate the degree of compliance with the Royal Decree which regulates the use of medicines under special circumstances.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

Observational, retrospective study



Patients treated with Rituximab, both exclusively or in combination with other drugs ✓ Age
✓ Gender
✓ Diagnosis
✓ Treatment received
✓ Off-label indication?

Variables

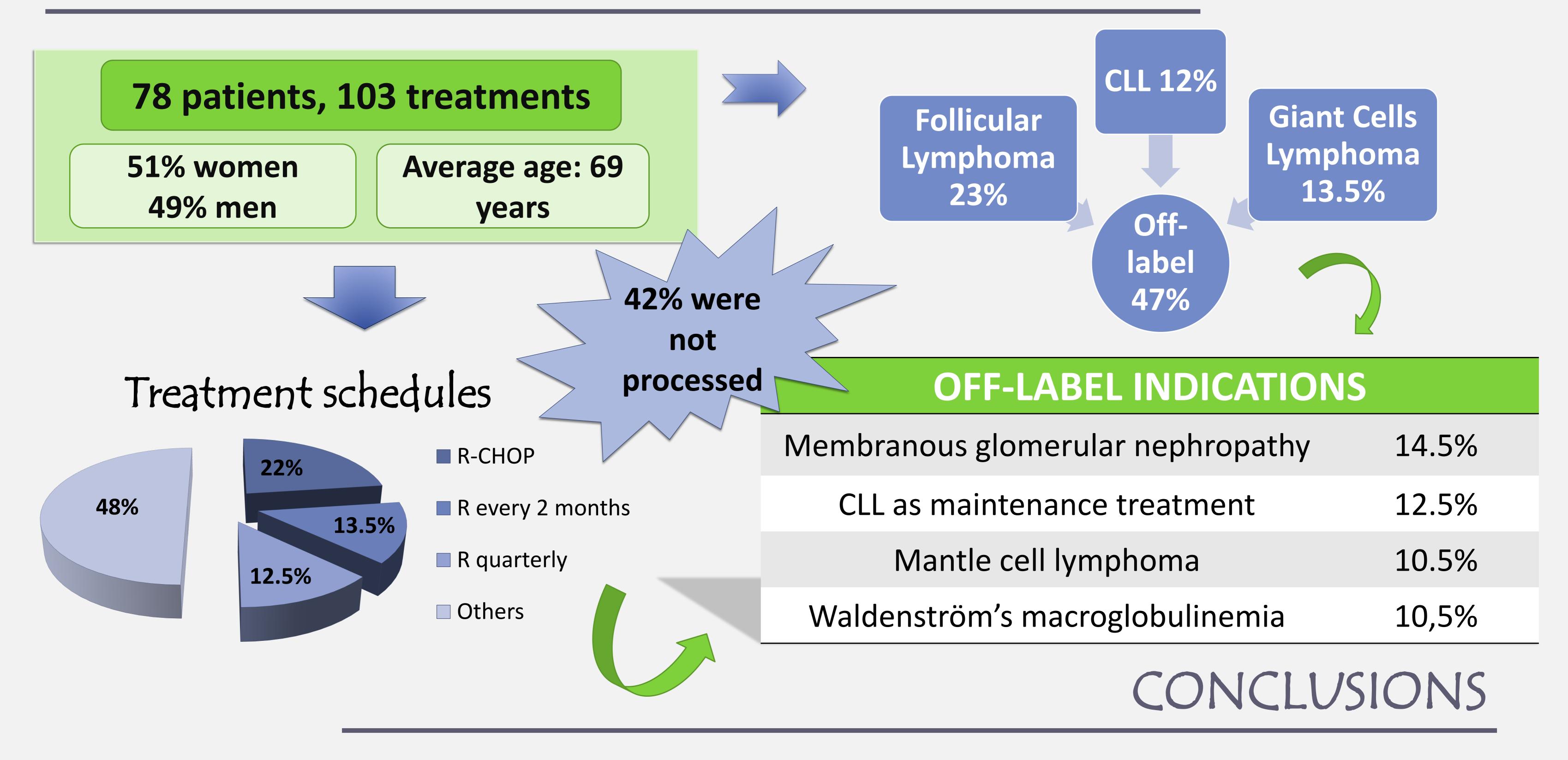
Data collection



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Processed and authorised by the Medical Board at the hospital?

RESULTS



Prescribing Rituximab for off-label indications is very frequent in hospitals. These situations should be registered under some **therapeutic protocols**, mandatory for physicians, and in which regulation the Pharmaceutical and Therapeutical Commission should be actively engaged and involved.