





DYNAMICS OF HIV PRE-EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS USE AND EVALUACION OF ITS IMPACT IN THE INCIDENCE OF SEXUAL TRANSMISION DISEASES

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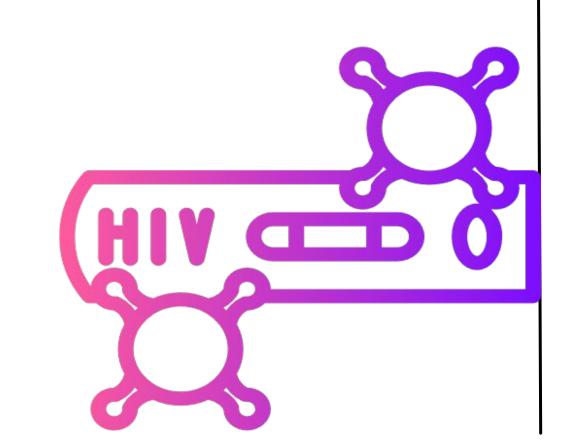
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BACKGROUND AND IMPORTANCE

HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis(PrEP) effectively reduces the risk of HIV transmission. However, its use has been associated with changes in sexual practices, which may influence the risk of acquiring other sexually transmitted diseases(STDs)...

AIM AND OBJETIVES

To evaluate PrEP adherence among users and describe the patterns of STD acquisition during treatment



METHODOLOGY

Multicenter, observational, retrospective cohort study.

Patients who received PrEP for more than 30 days.

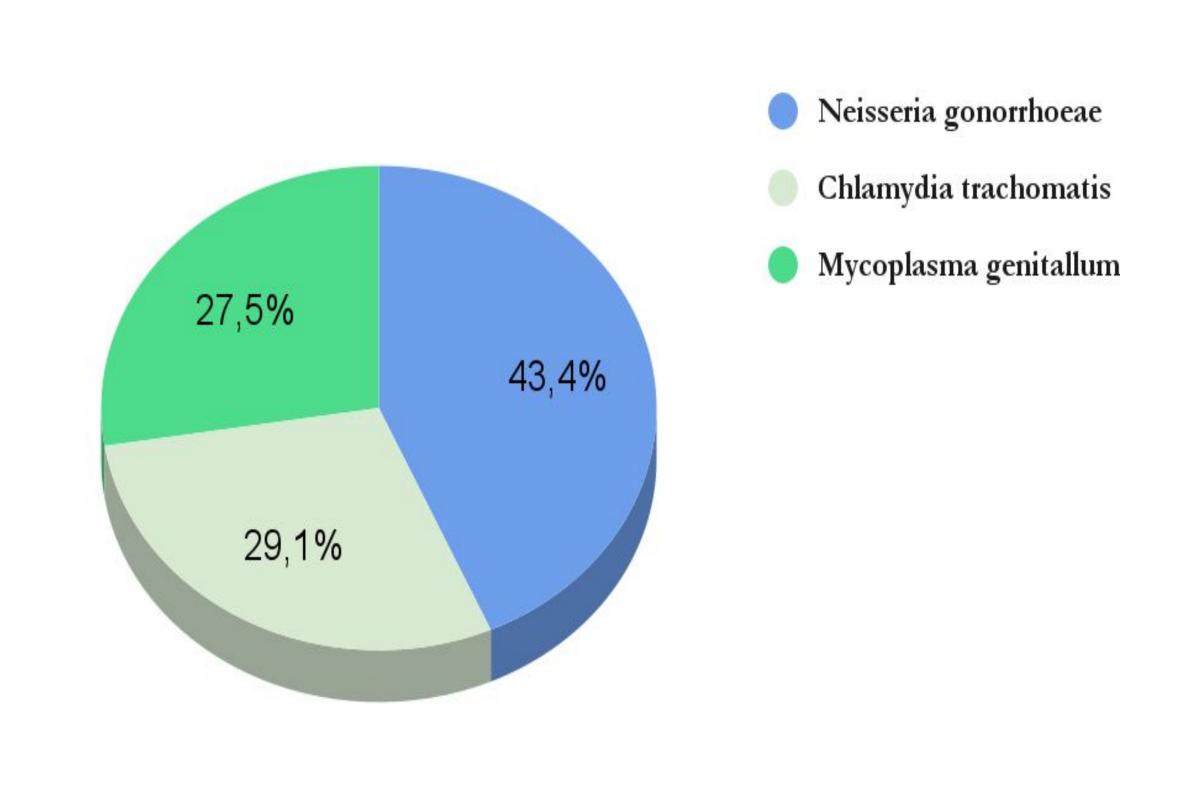
Between June 2023 and June 2024.

- Qualitative variables: sex, comorbidities, partner's HIV status, chemsex use, condom use, treatment interruptions and causes, STD and/or HIV acquired during treatment, microorganisms and treatment.
- Quantitative variables: age, number of sexual partners, duration of PrEP treatment and adherence (dispensing registry).
- •Statistical analysis: R Commander®

RESULTS

117 patients. 99% men.

Median age		36 years (IQR 30–45)
Median sexual partners per year		20 (IQR 12.7–36)
Condom use	Irregular	54.3%
	Consistent	23.2%
	No use	22.5%
	During oral sex	95.6% never
Chemsex		23.3%
Risky sexual relationships		15.5%
Previous post-exposure prophylaxis		10.3%
Median treatment duration		18.6 months (IQR 8.8-28.7)
Adherence to treatment		81.8%
Treatment discontinuation		49.3%
On-demand treatment use		21.3%
STD acquisition during treatment		79.3%
HIV infection while on PrEP		1 patient



CONCLUSION AND RELEVANCE

PrEP is an essential tool for HIV prevention, and adherence among patients in this study was high. However, a significant proportion of users acquired STDs during treatment, suggesting the need for ongoing STD screening and education. While this study highlights trends in STD acquisition, it does not establish causality between PrEP use and increased STD risk. Multidisciplinary efforts are vital to optimizing PrEP's protective benefits and mitigating the risks of other infections.

