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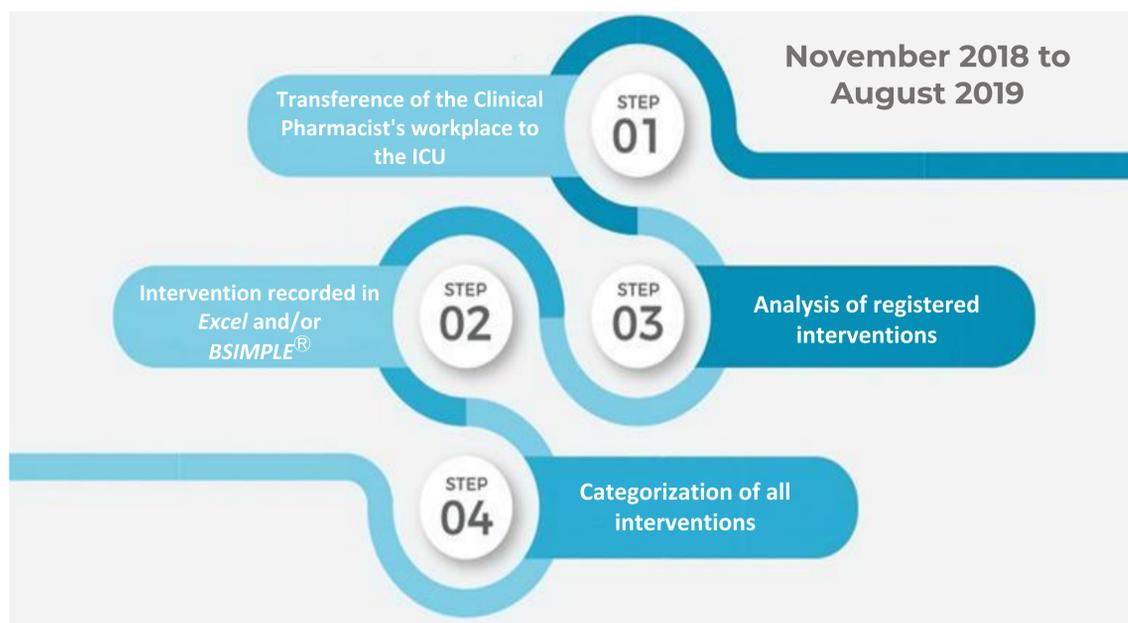
BACKGROUND and IMPORTANCE

The Clinical Pharmacist ensures, through the application of technical and scientific knowledge, the effective and rational use of drugs. The residence in the ICU allows a greater proximity to the patient and the multidisciplinary team, resulting in a rapid and efficient support in all issues related to drugs.

AIM and OBJECTIVES

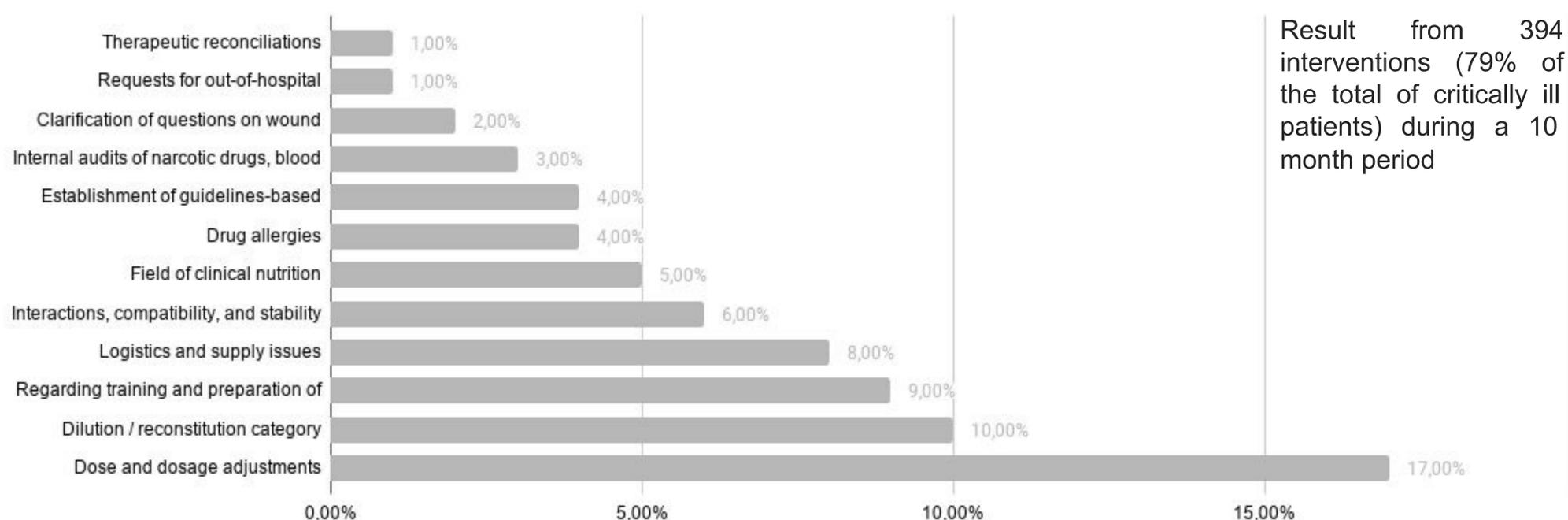
Description and characterization of the interventions developed by the Clinical Pharmacist residing at the ICU, and thereby demonstrate its added value, namely in pharmacotherapeutic follow-up and on-the-spot rapid and assertive support in a multidisciplinary environment.

MATERIALS and METHODS



Transference of the Clinical Pharmacist's workplace to the ICU of a private hospital in Lisbon, with 12 inpatient beds. During a 10-month time period (November 2018 to August 2019), the unit had a monthly average of 165 inpatients, of which 115 (70%) were in postoperative recovery and 50 (30%) in critical condition. All pharmaceutical interventions for critically ill patients were recorded in excel file and /or BSimple® software, categorized and analyzed.

RESULTS



CONCLUSION and RELEVANCE

- The residence of the clinical pharmacist at the ICU is fundamental for a safe and effective use of drugs. The evidence presented in this paper demonstrates the added value of providing a patient-centered Pharmaceutical Services in a multi and interdisciplinary team, adding value to the care provided by other health professionals.
- This proximity also allows a quick intervention in the resolution of the various day-to-day, pharmacotherapeutic and / or circuit-related issues.

