

and \$3521.31±1762.29 for a month supply. The annual cost of treating patients with IB1b was higher than IB1a (\$40,536.80±11563.02 vs 47,820.77±23076.74, $p<0.001$). The majority of the IB1a and IB1b patients were charged anywhere between \$50K and \$100K (93.1% vs 80.0%) and a smaller percentage (0.9% vs 6.5%, $p<0.001$) of patients were charged over >\$100K for their treatment per year. Patients on group coverage (\$36,172.54±6049.21 vs \$41,592.60±8714.17) had lower annual costs compared to patients on non-group coverage (\$43,736.44±14846.43 vs \$44,945.83±19077.93). The regression analysis shows that patients receiving drug supply >30 days, were on non-group coverage and patients receiving IB1b were more likely ($p<0.05$) to have higher annual charges. **CONCLUSIONS:** Patients on IB1b treatment and non-group coverage had higher annual costs.

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FINGOLIMOD VERSUS TERIFLUNOMIDE: CHARACTERISTICS OF PATIENTS DIAGNOSED WITH RELAPSING REMITTING MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AND TAKING ORAL DISEASE MODIFYING THERAPIES

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OBJECTIVES: The objective of this study is to assess and compare the characteristics of relapsing remitting multiple sclerosis patients taking Fingolimod capsules or Teriflunomide tablets. **METHODS:** A large US administrative retrospective claims database was used to identify patients diagnosed with RRMS and were prescribed Fingolimod or Teriflunomide between January 2010 and December 2012 were included in the study. All patients were ≥ 18 years of age and continuously enrolled in the same health plan for a year. Descriptive statistics and chi-square tests were performed on the data and statistical significance level was set a priori at 0.05. **RESULTS:** There were a total of 3,102 patients on Fingolimod and 114 on Teriflunomide during the study period. Of these, more than 70% of the patients in both the groups were females (75.9% vs 73.7%, $p=0.595$). Fingolimod patients were younger than Teriflunomide patients (46.54±10.28 vs 48.86±9.86 years, $p=0.018$). The majority of the patients were in the 40 to 65 years age group (71.1% vs 80.7%, $p=0.083$). Approximately, one third of patients in both the groups were from East (26.1% vs 31.6%), South (34.7% vs 26.3%) and Midwest (33.2% vs 32.5%) regions with no significant difference between them ($p=0.117$). There were more number of patient's prescription was on health plan non-formulary status (40.6% vs 41.2%) than formulary status (32.7% vs 28.1%). Majority of the patients were under group coverage (58.1% vs 61.4%, $p=0.771$) and were diagnosed with mental health problems (56% vs 54.4%, $p=0.061$). Fingolimod patients received more number of days of supply than Teriflunomide (31.59±13.65 vs 29.44±8.8 days, $p=0.048$). There was no significant difference in the number of years patients continuously enrolled in the same health plan between the two groups (4.59±2.48 vs 4.45±2.32 years, $p=0.535$). **CONCLUSIONS:** Teriflunomide patients were older and received more number of days of supply than Fingolimod patients.

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ORALS VERSUS SUBCUTANEOUS ADMINISTRATION OF DISEASE MODIFYING THERAPIES: A COMPARISON OF CHARACTERISTICS OF PATIENTS DIAGNOSED WITH RELAPSING REMITTING MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

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OBJECTIVES: The objective of this study is to assess and compare the characteristics of patients taking oral or subcutaneously administered disease modifying therapies (DMTs) for the treatment of relapsing remitting multiple sclerosis (RRMS). **METHODS:** A large US administrative retrospective claims database was used to identify patients diagnosed with RRMS and were prescribed either orally or subcutaneously administered DMTs between January 2010 and December 2012 were included in the study. All patients were ≥ 18 years of age and continuously enrolled in the same health plan at least a year. Descriptive statistics and chi-square tests were performed on the data. **RESULTS:** There were a total of 3,216 patients on Orals and 10,507 on Subcutaneous DMTs during the study period. Of these, more than 70% of the patients in both groups were females (75.8% vs 75.0%, $p=0.359$). There is no significant difference in the mean age of two groups (46.62±10.27 vs 46.57±10.68 years, $p=0.822$). And, the majority of the patients were in the 40 to 65 years age group (71.5% vs 69.2%, $p=0.030$). Thirty four percent of the patients were from South region (34.4% vs 27.0%, $p<0.001$). More than half in both groups patients were on group coverage (58.2% vs 56.9%, $p=0.201$). The majority of the Subcutaneous patients prescriptions were on health plan formulary (32.9% vs 85.5%, $p<0.001$). There was no significant difference in the distribution of patients between the groups with mental health problems (56.0% vs 56.0%, $p=0.851$). The great majority of the patients were received ≤30 days' supply of DMTs in both the groups (93.2% vs 93.6%, $p=0.022$). In both groups, patients enrolled in the health plan for similar number of years (4.59±2.48 vs 4.55±2.49, $p=0.473$). **CONCLUSIONS:** There is no much difference in the characteristics of patients between the two groups. It shows that the populations that take these DMTs are similar.

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CURRENT STATUS OF MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS IN COLOMBIA

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OBJECTIVES: Two previous local epidemiological studies describe Colombia as low risk area for multiple sclerosis (MS), however new information systems, which allow for a more accurate approximation, are currently available. This research aims to estimate the national prevalence of MS in our country, as well as by regions, and to analyze national drug costs. **METHODS:** We obtained data from the Individual Registry of Health Care Provision (RIPS), with the diagnosis code G35x for multiple

sclerosis, taking the confirmed new and repeated diagnoses between 2009 and 2013; information divided by gender, age group and geographical location. Population data from the National Administrative Department of Statistics (DANE) was used as the denominator. For the analysis of medications, we use the database SISMED 2014 searching for all drugs available in Colombia: interferon beta 1A, interferon beta 1B, glatiramer acetate, natalizumab, mitoxantrone and fingolimod, for sales volume and prices. **RESULTS:** According to the RIPS, 3,462 patients with diagnosis of MS contacted the health system in Colombia during the period 2009-2013. The national prevalence for the period was 7.52 / 100,000, with the highest figure in Bogota (16.25) with 1213 patients, followed by Quindío (13.03) and Risaralda (11.18), in Central Colombia. The largest proportion of patients were in the 50 to 54 years age group, and 70% were women. Additionally, in 2014 Colombia spent COP \$ 86 billion pesos (43 million US dollars) for MS drugs, around US\$12,500 per patient/year. **CONCLUSIONS:** Contrary to previous estimations, Colombia is an intermediate risk area for MS, a disease that implies a high direct cost for the health system. The information in the new database might have limitations as underdiagnosis and misdiagnosis. Although, for MS these are presumably lower, due to the requirement of an accurate diagnosis for access to expensive drugs.

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A RETROSPECTIVE STUDY OF UNITED STATES HEALTH CARE UTILIZATION AND COSTS FOR PATIENTS WITH MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS TREATED WITH DISEASE-MODIFYING THERAPY

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OBJECTIVES: Examine multiple sclerosis (MS) healthcare and costs before and after DMT initiation or switching. **METHODS:** Data came from the Truven Health Analytics MarketScan® Database containing claims for >180 million US patients. Patients with ≥1 DMT claim (teriflunomide, interferon [IFN] B-1a, IFN B-1b, glatiramer acetate, fingolimod, dimethyl fumarate [DMF], and natalizumab) from October 1, 2012, to January 1, 2014, were included (N=12,932). The first DMT claim date was the index date with oral therapies first assigned. Patients had to be enrolled in an insurance plan 12 months before and after the index date. Patients who switched DMT post index date were excluded. Outcome variables included the probability of an inpatient admission, the number of outpatient claims per patient, and associated costs before and after DMT use. **RESULTS:** Twelve months before the index date, 363 patients (3%) had no DMT claim (naive) and the remainder (n=12,569; 97%) had ≥1 claim (experienced). For experienced oral patients, teriflunomide was associated with a 45% reduction in the probability of an inpatient admission ($P=0.028$). Fingolimod and DMF led to reductions in outpatient claims of 7% ($P<0.001$) and 10% ($P<0.001$), respectively. Fingolimod, DMF, and teriflunomide reduced outpatient costs by 12% ($P<0.001$), 20% ($P<0.001$), and 6% ($P=0.202$), respectively. Only teriflunomide reduced inpatient costs (24%, $P=0.615$). Results for oral naive patients were mixed because of small samples. DMF statistically significantly decreased outpatient costs, but teriflunomide and fingolimod decreased both inpatient and outpatient costs. For injectable comparators, only naive natalizumab, and experienced glatiramer acetate and IFN B-1a patients had statistically significantly reduced outpatient costs post index date. **CONCLUSIONS:** For therapies not explicitly noted, there were no reductions in outcome variables or the reduction was not statistically significant. However, oral drugs were largely associated with a greater reduction in claims than was observed for injectable drugs.

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TRENDS IN DESIGN, CONDUCT, AND OUTCOMES MEASURES FOR PATIENT REGISTRIES FOR MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

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OBJECTIVES: Multiple sclerosis (MS) is a chronic progressive neurological disease and the majority of patients will experience some degree of impaired mobility. The objective of this study was to review the trends in design of patient registries for Multiple sclerosis. **METHODS:** Systematic review was conducted to identify new and on-going pivotal registries for Multiple sclerosis. The inclusion criteria were the indication of Multiple sclerosis, registry status and study completion date of 2010 or after. The data field extracted were study title, intervention, sponsor, age subgroups, planned enrollment, study type, study design, completion date and outcome measures. **RESULTS:** Overall, 15 clinical studies with total planned enrollment of 113,604 patients were identified. The median enrollment for the studies was 500 patients. For pregnancy related studies, time frame was 1 year or less, while for others it ranged from 5-15 years (longest duration study is an academic registry called Global Demyelinating Disease Registry). Six of the fifteen studies were for pregnancy related outcomes. Primary outcome measures included: Adverse events, Disease progression over time of follow up, Time to resolution of lymphopenia, Negative birth outcomes, including spontaneous abortions and birth defects, Multiple Sclerosis Impact Scale version 1 (MSIS-29v1), Prevalence of PBA (using CNS-LS). Only a few registries provided information regarding secondary outcomes. The outcomes included: Contributing factors to change in MS disease status, Pregnancy outcomes and Neurodegenerative Diseases. Twelve out of 15 registries were sponsored by the industry (5 by Biogen, 2 by EMD Serono), and 3 studies were sponsored by academia. **CONCLUSIONS:** Current MS registries seems to be focussed largely on safety outcomes, there is a need for measurement of more long term effectiveness and patient reported outcomes evidence.

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PREDICTORS AND PREVALENCE OF SLEEP DISTURBANCE AND HYPNOTIC USE IN PERSONS WITH CANCER

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