Scoping Review on Attitudes and Barriers Towards Therapeutic Drug Monitoring for Biological Treatments for Immune-Mediated Inflammatory Diseases Among Key Stakeholders

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BACKGROUND

Therapeutic drug monitoring (TDM) has emerged as a valuable clinical tool in optimizing therapeutic outcomes for patients with immune-mediated inflammatory diseases (IMIDs). These conditions often exhibit significant interindividual variability in drug response, necessitating personalized treatment approaches. TDM can help address this challenge by providing precise measurements of drug concentrations in patient serum or plasma. By enabling clinicians to tailor drug dosing to individual patient needs, TDM has the potential to improve patient outcomes, including better disease control, fewer disease flares, and enhanced quality of life^{1,2}.

STAKEHOLDERS





METHODS

A scoping review considered both experimental and quasiexperimental study designs, limited to primary research. A literature search was conducted for journal articles

OBJECTIVE

To assess the current state of knowledge regarding attitudes and barriers to the real-world adoption of Therapeutic Drug Monitoring (TDM) for biological treatments in immune-mediated inflammatory diseases (IMIDs) among key stakeholders, including patients, healthcare professionals, payers, and healthcare decisionmakers.

published in the last ten years in the databases PubMed, Medline, EBSCO, and Web of Science. No language limitation was considered for inclusion or exclusion. Abstracts were screened by ten independent reviewers, and a narrative synthesis approach was used to report the evidence.

Points to report



STUDY LIMITATIONS

The primary limitations of this study were the limited availability of relevant literature and the scarcity of studies meeting the inclusion criteria for certain stakeholder groups.

RESULTS (Preliminary)

Of the 7,062 search hits after the removal of duplicates, 218 articles fit the inclusion criteria and were deemed relevant for data extraction. Most of the retrieved literature revolved around biomarkers in inflammatory conditions and assay methods towards qualitative and quantitative identification.

CONCUSION

We have identified a literature gap in the field of realworld adoption of TDM for biologics in immune-mediated inflammatory diseases. Further research is warranted to develop a more concise strategy that will streamline the use of TDM for biological treatments for immune-mediated inflammatory diseases in current clinical practice and reimbursement systems.

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