



Demography and Socio-economic studies on Anti-malarial drugs reported in Dhar District of Madhya Pradesh

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Abstract

Malaria is a very common and life threatening disease in many parts of World including India. Malaria is very often in many tropical and subtropical countries. Malaria is caused by the protozoa, a parasite Plasmodium. Approximately about 75% of world population every year suffers from these diseases from east to west and north to south. Every year many travelers across the world suffer with malaria, a study revealed that about 10,000 are reported to become ill with malaria. The present investigation was carried out in the Dhar, Madhya Pradesh, India. The study was made to the patient who got treatment from the hospital and drug treatment and results were evaluated. From the data obtained it was concluded that age 11-20 were mostly affected by the malaria.

Key words: Malaria, Dhar, Demography

Introduction

In human malaria is caused by five different species of Plasmodium viz., *Plasmodium vivax*, *Plasmodium falciparum*, *Plasmodium malariae*, *Plasmodium ovale* and *Plasmodium knowlesi*. Out of all these five different species of Plasmodium, *Plasmodium malariae* is most common while *Plasmodium falciparum* is most dangerous with highest rates of complications and mortality. [1-2] The malaria parasite is transmitted by the female Anopheles mosquitoes. The malaria occurs when these mosquito bites mainly between dusk and dawn during night mostly. [3] Malaria is an acute febrile illness having an incubation period of about 7 days or longer in some cases. Out of five *Plasmodium* species which causes malaria *P. falciparum* is most dangerous. In India *P. malariae* is more often which causes malaria.

The clinical symptoms include chill fever, headache, muscle cramps, weakness, cough, diarrhoea and abdominal pain. Other symptoms include acute renal failure, pulmonary oedema, convulsions and circulatory collapse; the same may be followed by coma and death. [4-12]

Material and Methods

Selection of Diseases

Malaria is a very common and frequent disease in a developing country like India. Approximately every year nearly 40-45% of human beings suffer from the disease and among them nearly 15-18 % have ADRs, therefore the present disease was selected. [13-15]

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Selection of study area

Dhar district of Madhya Pradesh, India is selected for the present investigation. Also, the disease is very frequent in and around Dhar district due to various factors among which unhygienic is one of the prime cause and as per that data obtained from the Dhar 3-8 patients were reported to have malaria every day, hence for the present investigation Dhar was chosen. [13-15]

Selection of study period

The present study was conducted for a period of 3 months (September' 2020 to December' 2020) in Dhar, Madhya Pradesh, India. [13-15]

Selection of study population

Three hundred eighty three (383) patients were selected for the present investigation hospitalized in medical ward receiving anti-malarial drugs for the treatment were enrolled in this study. [13-15]

Study design & Design of questioner

The study was hospital based prospective observation study. Patients were followed up for the period of one month after receiving the drug

treatment. [16-19]

In this study the demographic and socio-economic studies were revealed out.

Results and Discussion

Malaria is a very common and frequent disease. Dhar district of Madhya Pradesh was chosen for the present investigation and data regarding the present study was obtained after a proper questioner developed.

Demographic responses

Total 383 questionnaires i.e., case sheet were administered out of which 267 were returned completely filled. Out of 267, 193 ADRs were found and reported from 89 female patients and 104 male patients during the study period for present investigation. Table 1 and Figure 1 reveal the demographic responses of ADR in study population. Table 2 and Figure 2 demonstrated the Socio-demographic characteristics of study population.

Table 1: Demographic responses of ADR of study population (n=383)

Characteristics	ADR	Non-ADR	Total	Percentage
ADR Status	193	74	267	69.71
Percentage	72.28	27.21	-	100
Male Patient	104	43	147	55.05
Female Patient	89	31	120	44.94

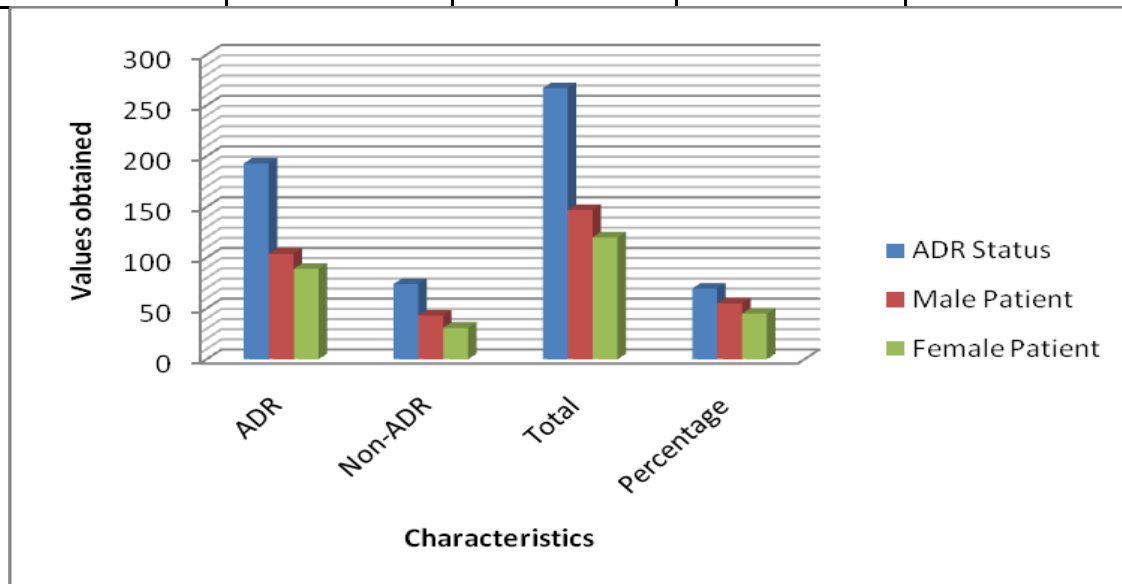


Fig. 1 : Demographic responses of ADR of study population

Table 2: Socio-demographic characteristics of study population (n=193)

Characteristics	Male Patient	Female Patient
ADR	104	89
Percentage	53.88	46.11

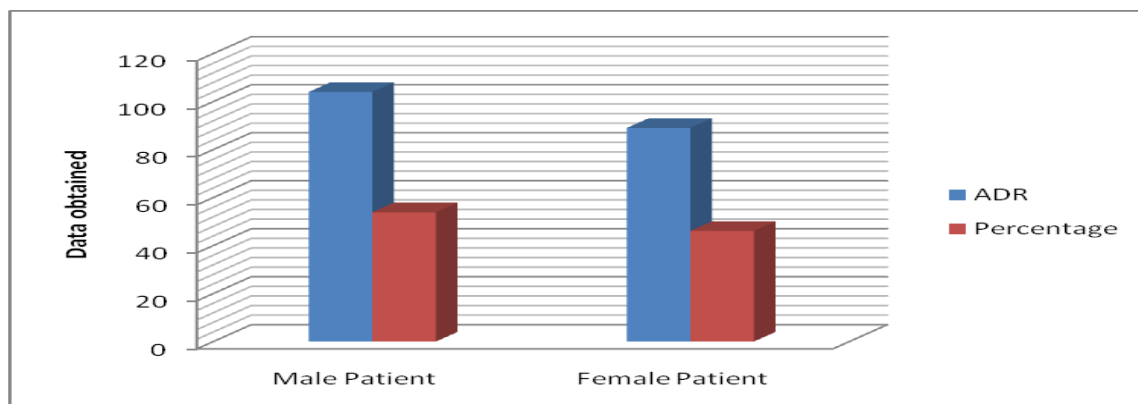


Fig. 2 : Socio-demographic characteristics of study population

Different age groups of patient were pointed out in the present investigation for both the sexes (male and female). The data so obtained are presented in table 3. The results obtained indicate that the majority of the ADRs observed in the age group of 11-20 in male and females. Age wise distribution of ADR was mentioned in table 3 and figure 3.

The drugs viz., Quinine, Chloroquine, Artesunate, Proguanil, Mefloquine, Sulphadoxine + Pyrimethamine, Atavaquone + Proguanil were prescribed to the 193 patients and the drug distribution over male and female were presented in table 4. The data obtained (table 4 and figure 4) indicate that the most prescribed drug is Chloroquine followed by Artesunate

Table 3: Age wise distribution of ADRs (n=193)

Age Groups (Years)	Male	Percentage	Female	Percentage	Total Percentage (M+F)
0-10	28	14.50	21	10.88	25.38
11-20	41	21.24	32	16.58	37.82
21-40	19	9.84	12	6.21	16.05
41-80	12	6.21	18	9.32	15.53
≥80	4	2.07	6	3.10	5.17

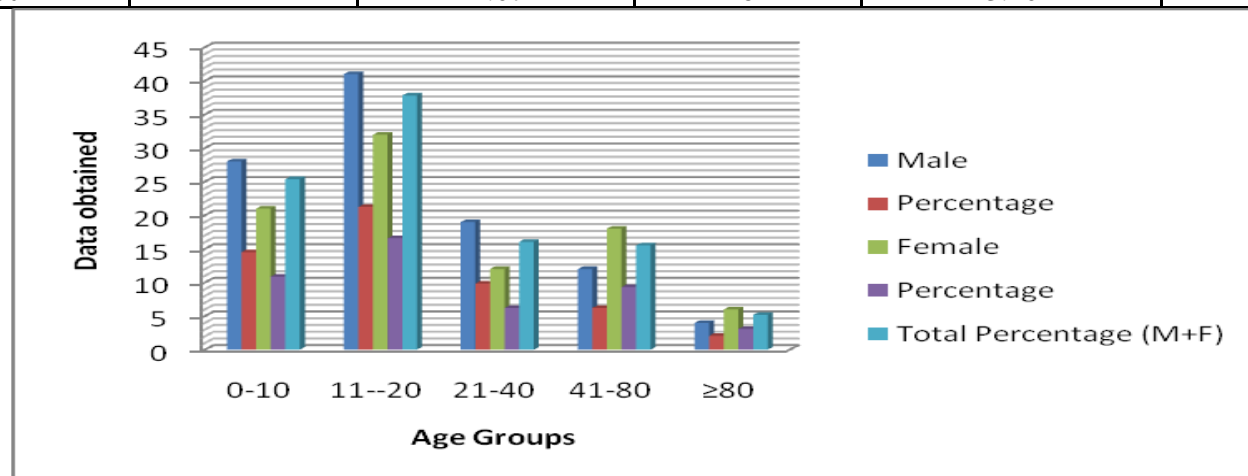


Fig. 3: Age wise distribution of ADRs

Table 4: Anti-malaria drug treatment in hospital (n=193)

Treatment Given	Male	Percentage	Female	Percentage	Total	Percentage
Quinine	18	9.32	15	7.77	33	17.09
Chloroquine	32	16.58	29	15.02	61	31.60
Artesunate	27	13.98	21	10.88	48	24.87
Proguanil	6	3.10	3	1.55	9	4.66
Mefloquine	11	5.69	13	6.73	24	12.43
Sulphadoxine + Pyrimethamine	7	3.62	6	3.10	13	6.73
Atavaquone + Proguanil	3	1.55	2	1.03	5	2.59

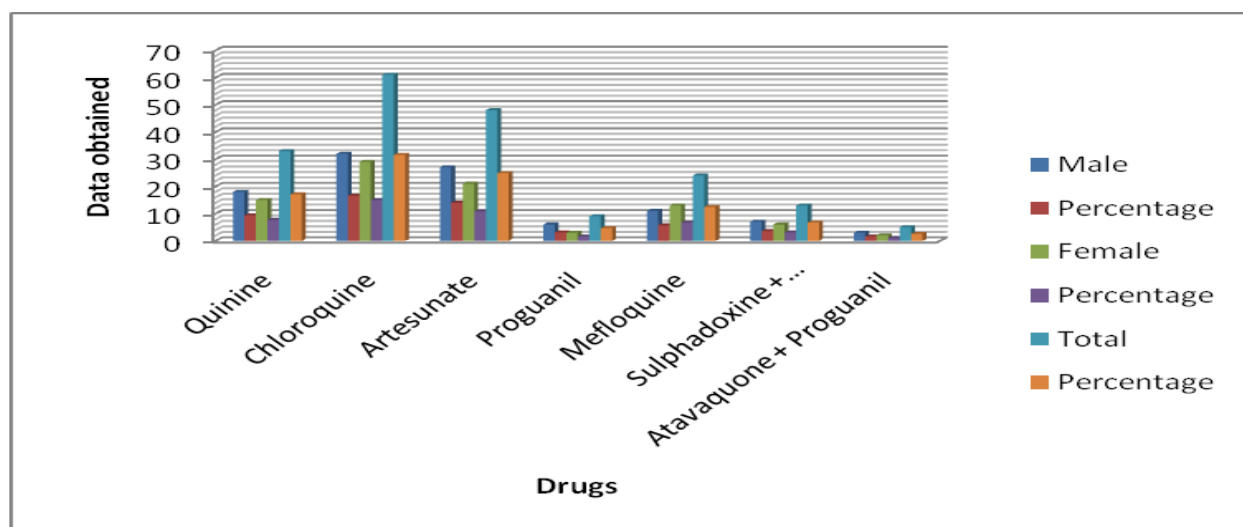


Fig. 4: Anti-malaria drug treatment in hospital

Conclusion

The present investigation was carried out in the Dhar, Madhya Pradesh, India. The study was made to the patient who got treatment from the hospital and drug treatment and results were evaluated. From the data obtained it was concluded that age 11-20 were mostly affected by the malaria.

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