

carcinoma medular. A hematúria constitui apresentação clínica comum e, geralmente, autolimitada na Anemia falciforme, não obstante, no Traço Falciforme é pouco documentada a ocorrência de hematúria com repercussão sistêmica e evolução com anemia sintomática.

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NEWBORN SCREENING FOR SICKLE CELL DISEASE IN RIO GRANDE DO SUL: EIGHT-YEAR ANALYSIS OF THE STATE REFERENCE SERVICE

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Introduction: Sickle cell disease (SCD) is a group of inherited hemoglobinopathies with autosomal recessive inheritance, characterized by the presence of the Hb S allele in homozygosity (sickle cell anemia – SCA, Hb SS phenotype) or in association with other variants (Hb C, Hb D, Hb E, β -thalassemia, among others). The Hb S mutation results from the substitution of glutamic acid by valine at position 6 of the β -globin chain ($\beta 6$ Glu→Val), leading to polymerization of deoxygenated hemoglobin, erythrocyte deformity, hemolysis, and vaso-occlusive events. Symptoms usually appear after the first six months of life, making newborn screening a key strategy. In Brazil, SCD was incorporated into the National Newborn Screening Program (PNTN) in 2001, enabling early diagnosis, treatment, and lifelong multidisciplinary follow-up. **Objectives:** To evaluate eight years of newborn screening for SCD at the State Reference Service in Rio Grande do Sul (SRTN/RS). **Material e methods:** Cross-sectional, quantitative, population-based study from January 1, 2017, to December 31,

2024. All newborns screened at the SRTN/RS were analyzed for hemoglobin profile using high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) and/or isoelectric focusing (IEF). For those diagnosed with SCD, gender, race/skin color as reported by the parent or guardian, and age at first consultation were recorded. **Results:** A total of 776,564 newborns were screened, of which 111 (0.014%) presented an SCD phenotype. The most prevalent phenotype was SS (n = 83; 74.77%), followed by SC (n = 21; 18.92%), CC (n = 5; 4.50%), and DD, and DS (n = 1 each; total 1.80%). The overall incidence was 1:6,934 screened newborns. Among affected newborns, 63 (56.75%) were male and 48 (43.24%) female. Regarding race/skin color, 48 (43.24%) were Black, 38 (34.23%) White, 15 (13.51%) Brown (mixed race), and 11 (9.90%) other categories. The mean age at first consultation was 32 days. **Discussion and conclusion:** SS and SC phenotypes were the most frequent, with a slight predominance in males. The mean referral time (32 days) met the PNTN target (< 45 days), allowing for early antimicrobial prophylaxis and specialized follow-up. Despite the state's diverse ethnic composition, a higher prevalence was observed among those reported as Black, consistent with the African origin of the Hb S mutation. The incidence in Rio Grande do Sul is lower than in Northeastern states such as Bahia (1:650 live births), reflecting differences in Brazilian population ancestry. Newborn screening in Rio Grande do Sul enables early diagnosis of SCD and the timely initiation of follow-up. However, the current coverage (75.75% of live births within the public health network) limits the accuracy of prevalence estimates. Expanding coverage to include data from the private health-care sector is essential to encompass all socioeconomic groups and to enhance the overall effectiveness of the program.

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O USO DE CROVALIMABE NO TRATAMENTO DA HEMOGLOBINÚRIA PAROXÍSTICA NOTURNA

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Introdução: A Hemoglobínúria Paroxística Noturna (HPN) é uma doença hematológica rara, causada por uma mutação no gene PIGA, que resulta em deficiência na biossíntese de glicosilfosfatidilinositol (GPI). Essa deficiência leva à ausência das proteínas CD55 e CD59 nas hemácias, aumentando a suscetibilidade à hemólise intravascular intensa. Entre as opções convencionais de tratamento para a HPN, destaca-se a administração de anticorpos monoclonais, cuja principal ação é a inibição do sistema complemento, sendo os medicamentos mais utilizados o eculizumabe e o ravulizumabe. Recentemente, o Crovalimabe, um novo anticorpo monoclonal humano, foi autorizado para uso no Brasil, tendo um mecanismo de ação e administração diferenciada dos medicamentos supracitados, o que gera benefícios para o paciente.