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# GIHSN 2019-2020: RESULTS BY SITE

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# CANADA

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## Serious Outcomes Surveillance Network



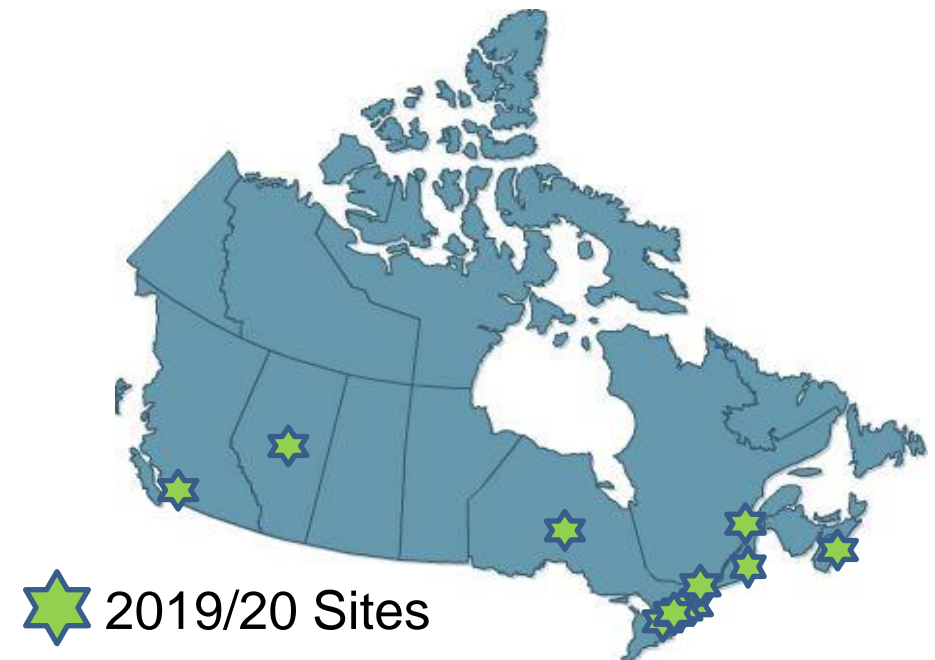
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## Site description

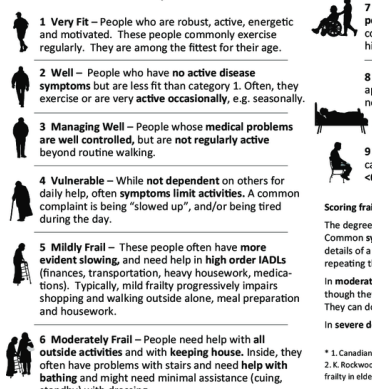
- 11 adult academic and community hospital sites in 5 Canadian Provinces (Nova Scotia, Ontario, Quebec, Alberta, British Columbia) representing ~6000 acute care beds
- Population enrolled is approximately 2/3 older adults  $\geq 65$  years of age, admitted to hospitals with an acute respiratory illness
- Influenza seasons in Canada typically begin with early influenza A activity, followed by a later influenza B peak



### Results

	CFS 1-3 non-frail 520 (34.0%)	CFS 4 pre-frail 302 (19.8%)	CFS 5 mild frailty 240 (15.7%)	CFS 6 mod frailty 246 (16.1%)	CFS 7-9 severe frailty 103 (6.7%)	P value
age	57.5 (19.6)	72.4 (12.5)	77.6 (12.0)	80.1 (13.1)	75.5 (17.0)	
vaccination	201 (38.7%)	161 (53.3%)	136 (56.7%)	153 (62.2%)	59 (57.3%)	p<0.001
ICU	66 (12.7%)	43 (14.2%)	18 (7.5%)	26 (10.6%)	11 (10.7%)	p=0.2
death	12 (2.3%)	11 (3.6%)	13 (5.4%)	22 (8.9%)	19 (18.4%)	p<0.001
Influenza A	205 (74.8%)	127 (80.9%)	98 (86.0%)	85 (79.4%)	54 (79.4%)	
Influenza B	69 (25.2%)	30 (19.1%)	16 (14.0)	22 (20.6%)	14 (20.6%)	

Clinical Frailty Scale\*



- 1 Very Fit** – People who are robust, active, energetic and motivated. These people commonly exercise regularly. They are among the fittest for their age.
- 2 Well** – People who have no active disease symptoms but are less fit than category 1. Often, they exercise or are very active occasionally, e.g. seasonally.
- 3 Managing Well** – People whose medical problems are well controlled, but are not regularly active beyond routine walking.
- 4 Vulnerable** – While not dependent on others for daily help, often symptoms limit activities. A common complaint is being “slowed up”, and/or being tired during the day.
- 5 Mildly Frail** – These people often have more evident slowing, and need help in high order IADLs (finances, transportation, heavy housework, medications). Typically, mild frailty progressively impairs shopping and walking outside alone, meal preparation and housework.
- 6 Moderately Frail** – People need help with all outside activities and with keeping house. Inside, they often have problems with stairs and need help with bathing and might need minimal assistance (cuing, standby) with dressing.
- 7 Severely Frail** – Completely dependent for personal care, from whatever cause (physical or cognitive). Even so, they seem stable and not at high risk of dying (within ~ 6 months).
- 8 Very Severely Frail** – Completely dependent, approaching the end of life. Typically, they could not recover even from a minor illness.
- 9 Terminally Ill** – Approaching the end of life. This category applies to people with a life expectancy <6 months, who are not otherwise evidently frail.

Scoring frailty in people with dementia  
The degree of frailty corresponds to the degree of dementia. Common symptoms in mild dementia include forgetting the details of a recent event, though still remembering the event itself, repeating the same question/story and social withdrawal. In moderate dementia, recent memory is very impaired, even though they seemingly can remember their past life events well. They can do personal care with prompting. In severe dementia, they cannot do personal care without help.

\* 1. Canadian Study on Health & Aging. Revised 2008.  
2. K. Rockwood et al. A global clinical measure of fitness and frailty in elderly people. CMAJ 2005;173:489-495.

### Key messages

- Older and frailer patients were more likely to have been vaccinated
- Detection of influenza A and B was similar across grades of frailty
- Overall 12.1% of influenza patients were admitted to ICU and 5.5% died
- Death increased with frailty, but ICU admission did not
- Death was higher in the influenza group
- The experience of severe outcomes was similar for influenza A and B

## Conclusion & Challenges

### CONCLUSIONS:

- Frailty was associated with increased vaccination and with increased mortality
- Influenza A and B co-circulated, and both were associated with similar morbidity and mortality

### CHALLENGES:

- Getting sequencing established locally has been a challenge – delayed by COVID-19 but now on track to complete last season’s sequences and be ready for 2020/21
- Influenza screening has been impacted by COVID-19; reduced influenza circulation with the COVID control measures, and study personnel issues at busy COVID-19 sites
- For context, we describe COVID control measures in Canada: many non-essential businesses and shops closed, people working remotely where possible, restaurants and bars were closed, schools closed March 13-end of the school year (June), government support for individuals and businesses. Not a full “lock down”, no curfew. Grocery and essential stores remained open with operating restrictions.





# MEXICO

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Total included = **847**

Laboratory confirmed  
influenza = **171**

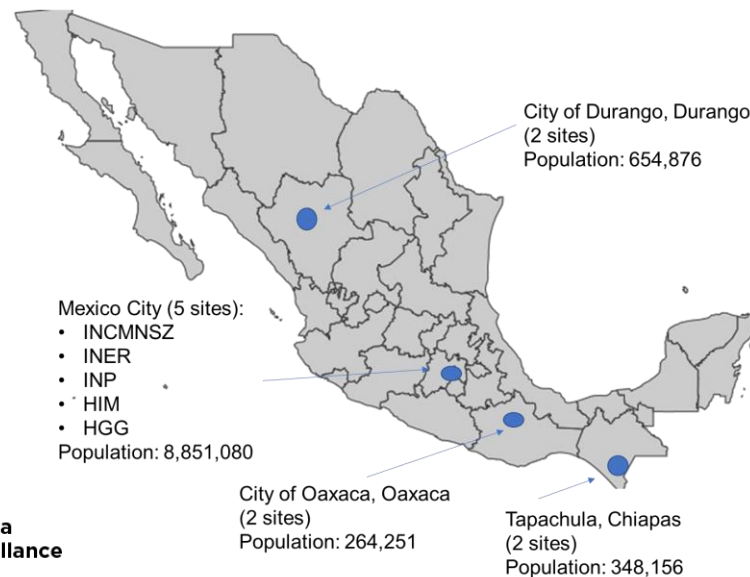
Total sequenced = **79**

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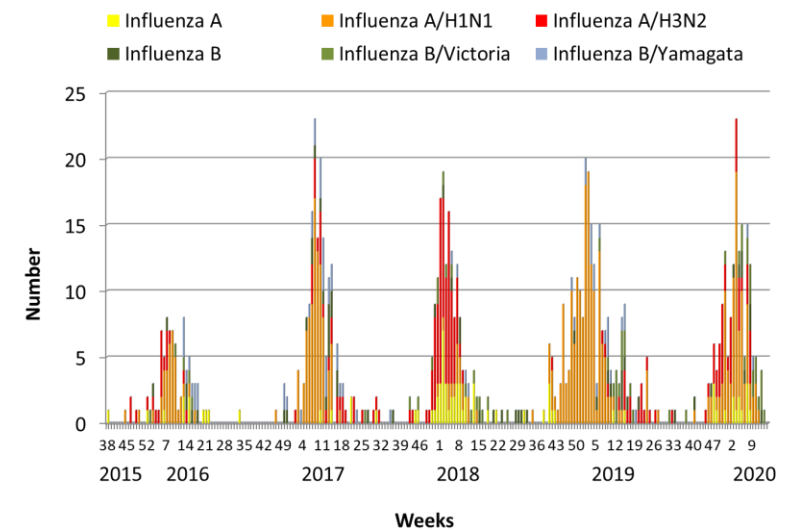
### 2019-2020 Influenza Season

Study conducted in 11 hospitals in four provinces of Mexico

Geographical location of study sites



Influenza A(H1N1)pdm09, A(H3N2), and Influenza B  
circulated during this season

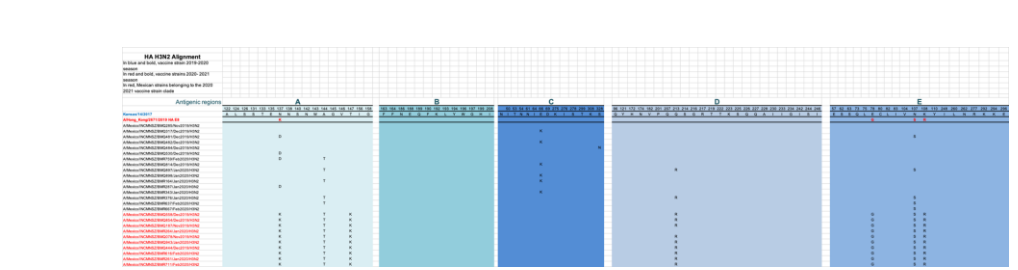
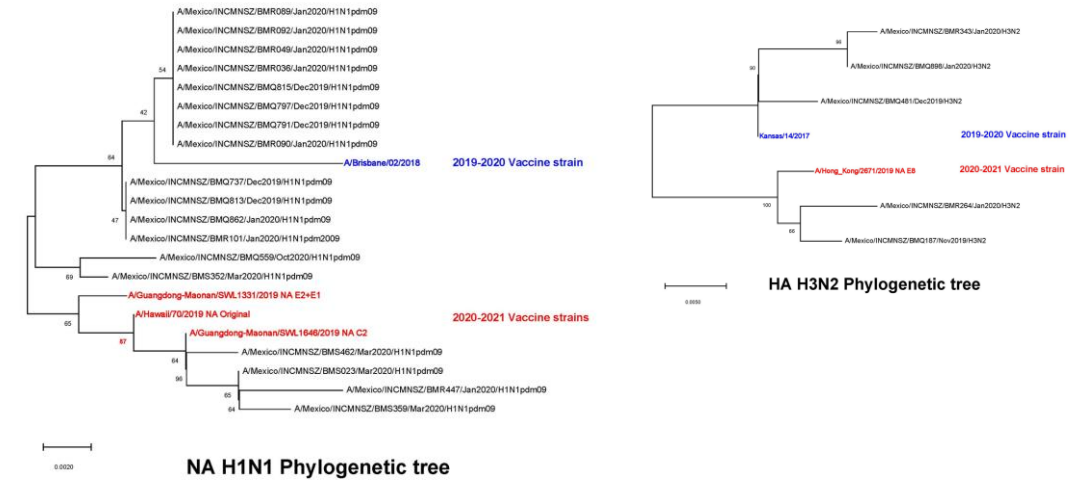
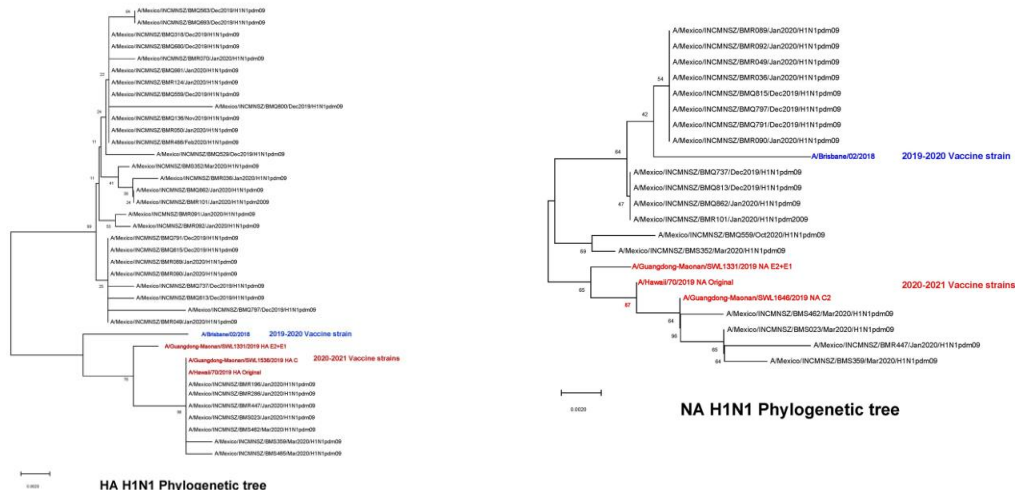


### Sequencing of influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 and A(H3N2)

For oral presentation

#### Influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 strains

#### Influenza A(H3N2) strains





## Conclusion & Challenges

### Conclusions:

- The 2019-2020 influenza season started In October 2019 and ended the last week of April 2020.
- Rhinovirus (24%), Respiratory Syncytial Virus (22%) and Influenza (18%) were the most commonly detected virus among hospitalized patients with acute respiratory infection during the 2019-2020 season in Mexico
- Influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 was the predominant subtype during this season followed by influenza A(H3N2) and influenza B. There was a small fraction of A viruses that could not be subtyped.
- A total of 79/171 influenza stains were sequenced for the hemagglutinin and neuraminidase aminoacids.
- Simultaneous circulation of genetically and antigenically diverse A(H1N1)pdm09 and A(H3N2) virus was observed and represent a challenge for vaccine adequate protection
- Common coronavirus subtypes circulated during the 2019-2020 season with coronavirus NL63 and coronavirus HKU1 being the more prevalent subtypes.

### Challenges and Future Directions:

- Improvement of data entry with an improved electronic remote data entry system
- Improvement of monitoring of study data within the electronic remote data entry system



# BRAZIL

## HOSPITAL PEQUENO PRÍNCIPE/\_CURITIBA/BRAZIL



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# CURITIBA - BRAZIL

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Hospital Pequeno Principe (HPP)

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**7 INFLUENZA**  
**2 SARS-COV-2**

## SITE PRESENTATION

Hospital Pequeno Principe , quaternary pediatric hospital, Curitiba, South Brazil.  
It is a sentinela hospital for Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI)



370 beds



2 655 employess



62 PICU beds



21 242 surgeries



22 929

hospitalizations/year



305 005 outpatients  
medical consultations

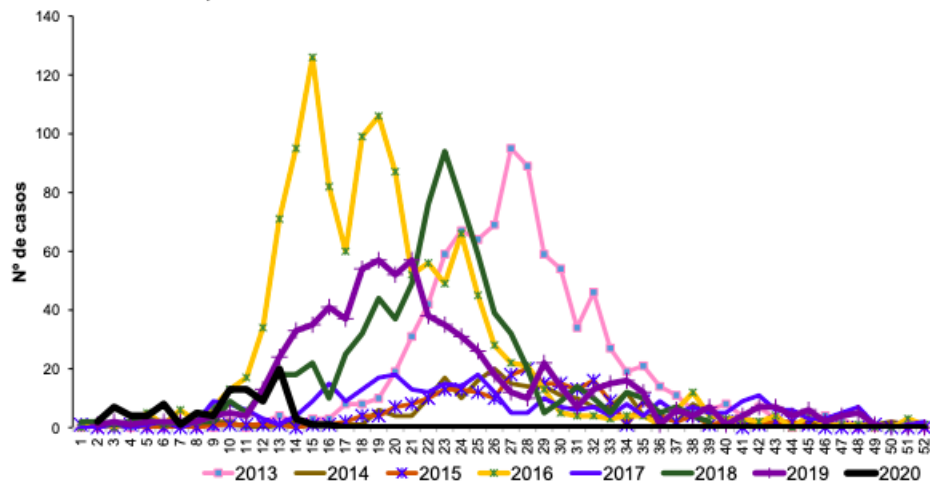


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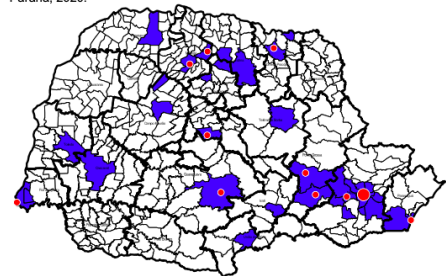
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## SARI - EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SCENARIO IN PARANA STATE AND CURITIBA CITY

**Gráfico 3** – Casos de SRAG por Influenza segundo a semana de início dos sintomas, residentes no Paraná, 2013 a 2020.

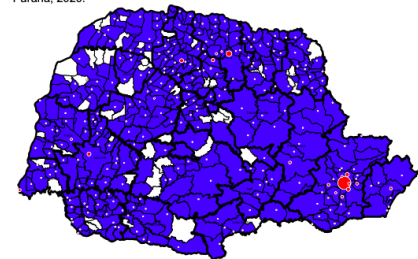


**Mapa 1**- Casos e óbitos de SRAG por Influenza segundo municípios e Regionais de Saúde-Paraná, 2020.



■ Casos de SRAG por Influenza  
● Óbitos de SRAG por Influenza  
Fonte: SESA-PR/DAV/CVIE/DVVTR-SIVEP Gripe. Atualizado em 30/09/2020, dados sujeitos a alterações.

**Mapa 2**- Casos e óbitos de SRAG por COVID-19 segundo municípios e Regionais de Saúde, Paraná, 2020.



■ Casos de SRAG por COVID-19  
● Óbitos de SRAG por COVID-19  
Fonte: SESA-PR/DAV/CVIE/DVVTR-SIVEP Gripe. Atualizado em 30/09/2020, dados sujeitos a alterações.

**Tabela 7** - Casos e óbitos de SRAG por Influenza segundo subtipo viral, residentes no Paraná, 2013 a 2020.

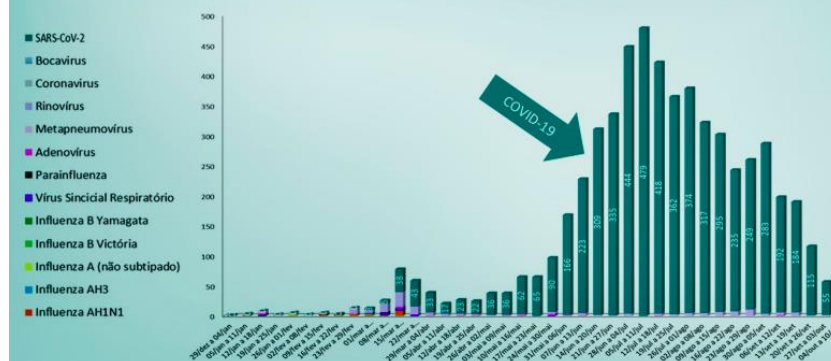
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Influenza A(H1N1)pdm09	384	47	48	8	37	4	1.087	218	1	0	237	46	532	110	65	11
Influenza A(H1) Sazonal*	6*	0	0	0	4*	1*	1*	1*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Influenza A(H3) Sazonal	114	6	165	8	124	11	4	1	210	36	381	63	58	13	2	1
Influenza A não subtipado	3	0	1	0	0	0	55	14	0	0	12	3	2	0	2	0
Influenza B	401	13	14	0	63	9	76	6	132	18	38	1	103	10	26	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>908</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>1.223</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>668</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>13</b>

Fonte: SESA-PR/DAV/CVIE/DVVTR-SIVEP Gripe. Atualizado em 30/09/2020, dados sujeitos a alterações.

\*Obs: Resultados provenientes de laboratórios particulares, prováveis Influenza A(H1N1)pdm09.

### PAINEL COVID-19 CURITIBA

**SRAG 2020 – Distribuição dos vírus respiratórios em pacientes internados por SRAG, por semana epidemiológica do início dos sintomas**



\*SRAG=Síndrome Respiratória Aguda Grave

Fonte: SMS/CE/SIVEP-SRAG hospitalizados residentes em Curitiba. Dados obtidos em 09/10/2020, até a semana epidemiológica 41 (de 04/10 a 10/10/2020)

80% reduction in  
influenza circulation



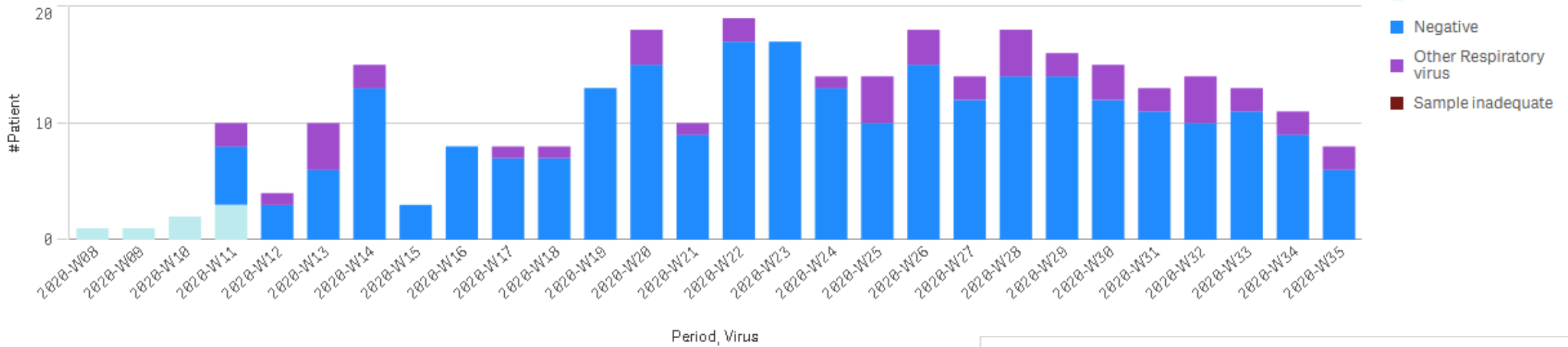
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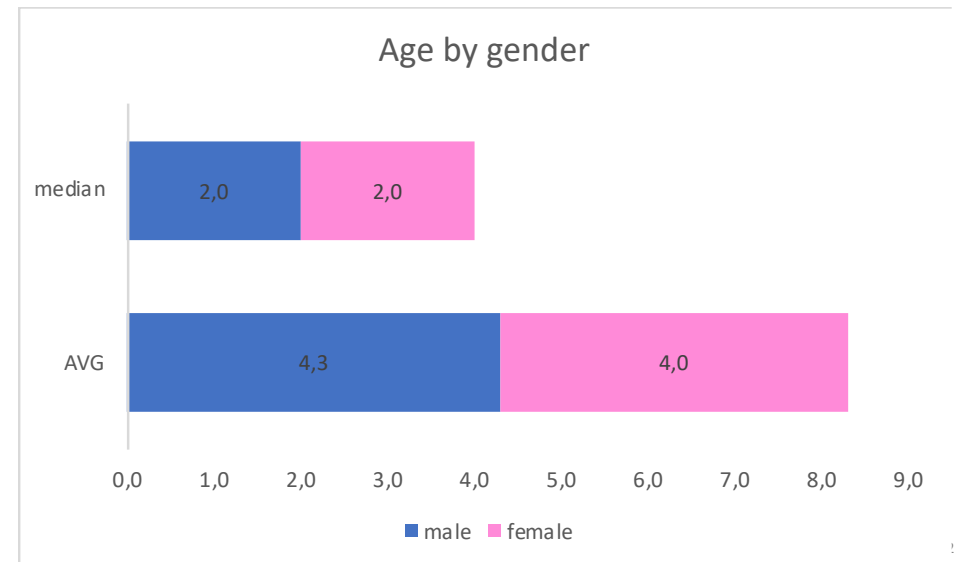
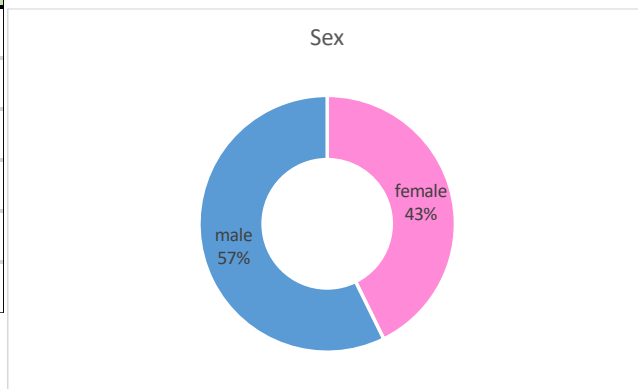


## Virus distribution per time period

Population : Included (315)



Indicator	N
Screening	559
Included	315
Included with validated collection	279
LCI	7
Others virus	48
Negatives	224





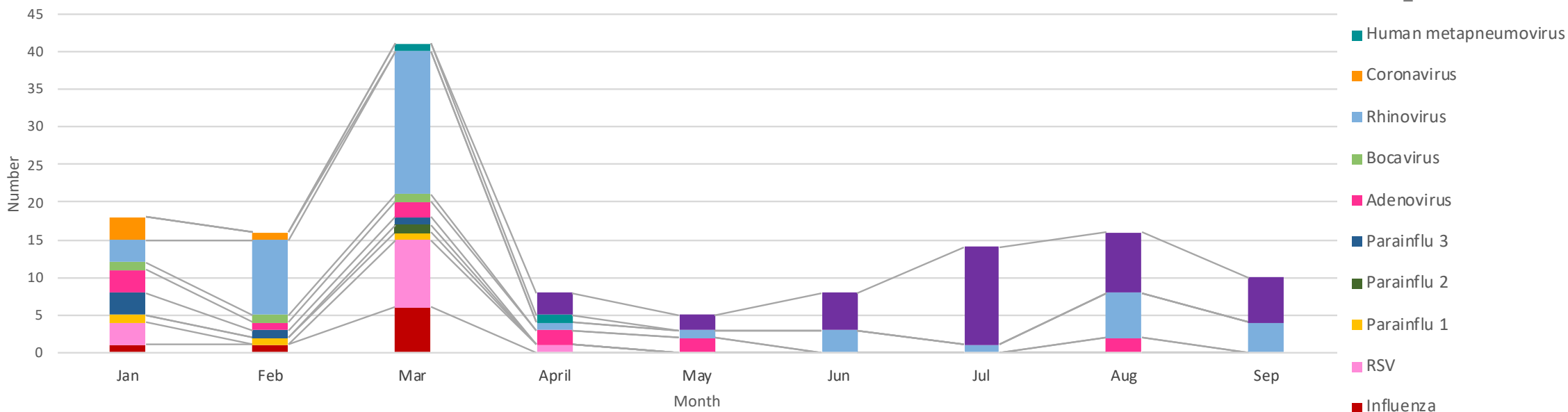
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## RESULTS

Respiratory viruses distribution in hospitalized patients -January to September/2020 HPP



SARI SURVEILLANCE

STUDY PERIOD



## CONCLUSION & CHALLENGES

### Conclusions

- **Recruitment period for 2019-2020 season – from March 15 to September 09, 2020**
- We detected 7 cases of influenza, 5 influenza A and 2 influenza B
- The low circulation of influenza occurred both in the state of Parana and in the city of Curitiba
- This was a very atypical epidemiological year

### Challenges and Future Directions

- With the SARS-CoV-2 prevention measures, there has been a significant reduction in the circulation of all respiratory viruses, including influenza.
- Try to start the collection earlier, February / 2021, to increase the monitoring period, and increase the chance of capturing more samples of influenza
- Improve the standardization of nucleotide sequencing on our site



PERU

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# PERÚ



Tropical Medicine Institute Universidad Nacional M. de San Marcos (UNMSM) Instituto de Investigación Nutricional (IIN).  
Clínica Internacional. Lima

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#LCI positive= 14  
#LCI negative = 137

#sequenced = 14

## PERÚ: NETWORK FOR INFLUENZA AND OTHER RESPIRATORY VIRUSES HOSPITAL SURVEILLANCE

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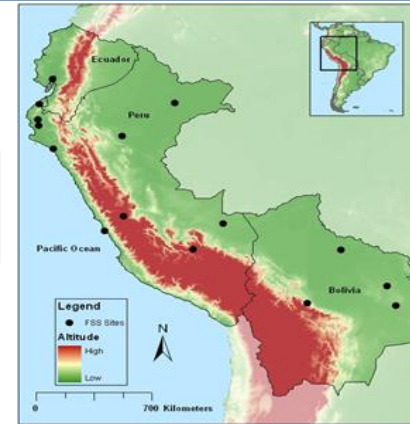


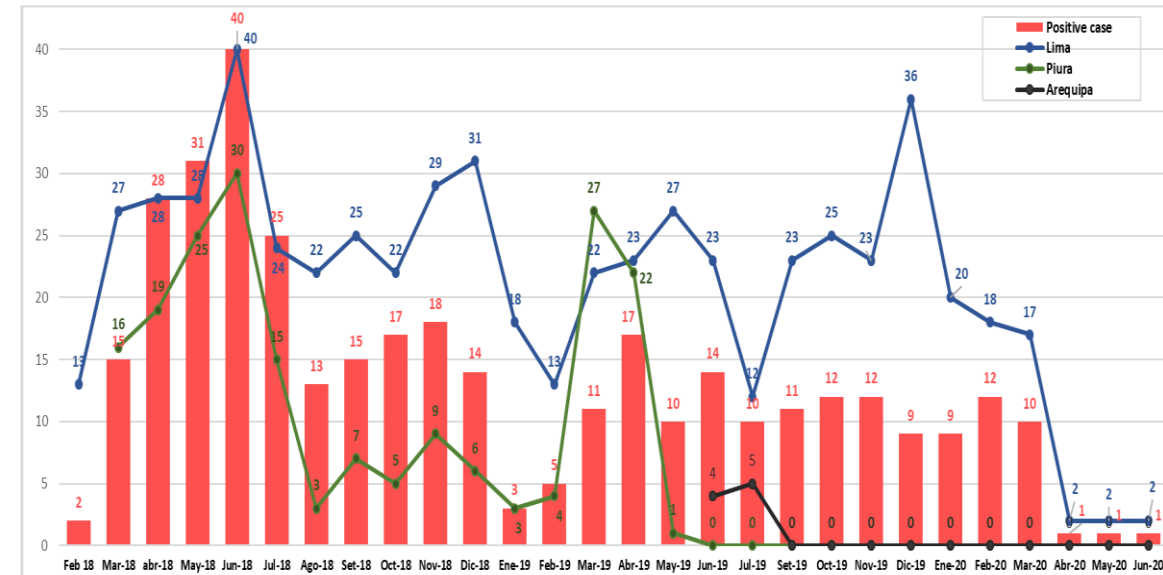
Table 1 Characteristics of the screened population. Peru Sept 2019- June 2020

Variable	Participants	Lima	(%)
Elegible patients	168	168	100.0
Samples taken	151	151	100.0
<b>Gender</b>			
Male	69	69	100.0
<b>Age Group</b>			
Media	2	2	
Median (range)	1[0-5]	1[0-5]	
0-5	84	84	100.0
5-18	16	16	100.0
18-45	3	3	100.0
45-65	2	2	100.0
65-80	3	3	100.0
80+	4	4	100.0
<b>Positive result</b>			
FLUA	78	78	51.7
H1N1	3	3	2.0
H3N2	0	0	0.0
FLUB	12	12	7.9
RSV	25	25	16.6
Adenovirus	14	14	9.3
Metapneumovirus	35	35	23.2
Bordetella	2	2	1.3
<b>Negative result</b>			
Coinfeccions	73	73	48.3
Flu coinfeccions	13	13	8.6
OVR coinfeccions	7	7	4.6
OVR coinfeccions	6	6	4.0

A total of 151 samples were taken, of those 84 (55%) were under 5 years of age and 78 (52%) were positive for any respiratory virus. Influenza was positive in 14 samples, of those 03 were FLUA H1N1, none H3N2 and 12 influenza B. (Flu A and B one sample)

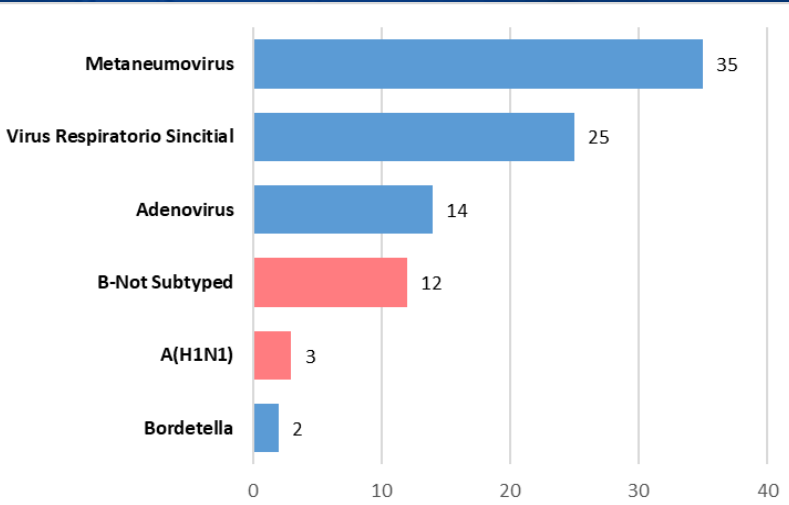
Asthma and CV diseases were the more prevalent chronic conditions. Only 24 (14)% participants received influenza vaccine.

FIGURE N°1: MONTHLY POSITIVE PARTICIPANT DISTRIBUTION BY SITE, 2018-2020



# Results

FIGURE N°2: PERU -VIRAL CIRCULATION BY RT PCR, SEPT 2019- JUNE 2020



Between Sept 2019 and June 2020, metapneumovirus (23%) and respiratory syncitial virus (16%) were the most frequent viruses found in Influenza like illness hospitalized participants.

The current COVID-19 pandemic period did not allow us to show an accurate viral distribution. We only sent 14 influenza samples for genotyping to Lyon Laboratory.

FIGURE N°3: LCI PATIENT BY GENDER AND AGE GROUP, SEPT 2019-JUNE 2020

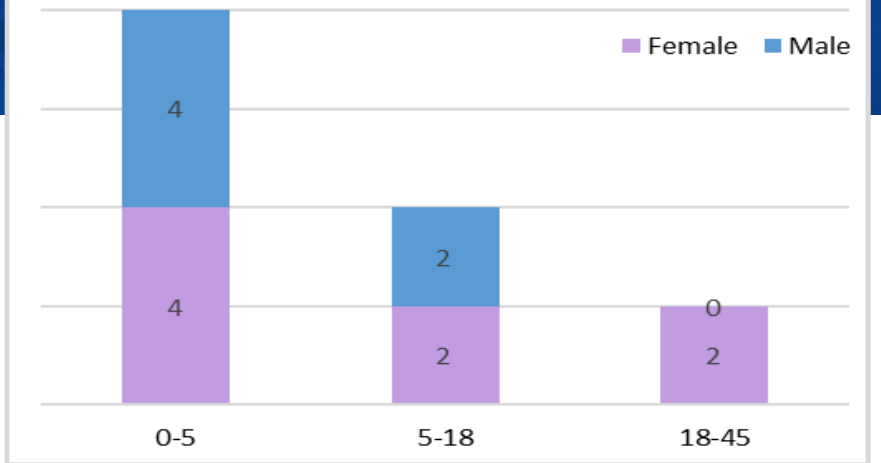
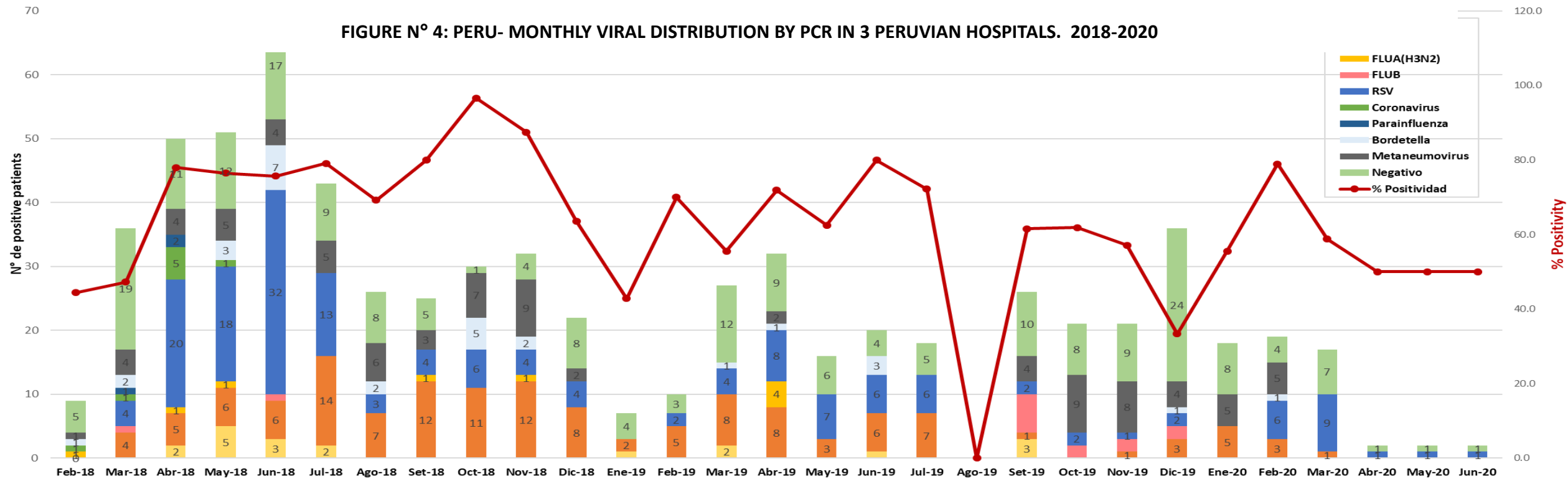


FIGURE N° 4: PERU- MONTHLY VIRAL DISTRIBUTION BY PCR IN 3 PERUVIAN HOSPITALS. 2018-2020





## Conclusion & Challenges/

1. Viral circulation was more frequent in patients under 5 years of age specially in those under 6 months
2. The influenza period in the country starts in January-February in the north and in Lima goes from April until August-September.
3. This year the COVID-19 pandemic started in Lima in March, since then all the efforts/resources were allocated in that event. Sample-taking was hindered in our hospitals as a result of this. Starting a sample collection process meant putting teamates-health at risk due to increased exposure to a coronavirus contagion.
4. Over 50% of the patients with co-morbidities such as asthma, CVs diseases or COPD were positive for at least one virus (metapneumovirus, RSV, adenovirus )
5. Vaccination rates were extremely low. In Perú influenza vaccine is available in April provided by PAHO. People usually does not accept vaccination
6. Viral positive people was not related to ICU, mechanical ventilation or death.

### Challenges/Future direction

- 1) Next period we will focus our resources in Lima and Piura to get influenza samples according to seasonality
- 2) Our laboratory is requesting Ministry of Health permission to perform rtPCR for COVID-19 because in the new epidemiologic scenario, sites and volunteers would also request those results.



# SOUTH AFRICA

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# SOUTH AFRICA

University of the Witwatersrand

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## Site presentation

Two hospitals in Soweto (total population 1.3 million people) are part of our network:

- Chris Hani Baragwanath Academic Hospital (CHBAH): 3,400 beds
- Bheki Mlangeni District Hospital (BMDH): 300 beds

Viral detection testing is not part of the standard of care and all enrolled participants were tested under the study protocol at the Respiratory and Meningeal Pathogens Research Unit laboratory. The HIV prevalence among pregnant women in Soweto is approximately 29%.



## Results

Patients tested up until 15<sup>th</sup> September

	<5 years old	≥5 years old
<b>N. screened and tested for influenza</b>	1263	5010
<b>Included population<sup>1</sup></b>	1041 <sup>1</sup>	1084 <sup>2</sup>
<b>Influenza+</b>	0	0

<sup>1</sup>Admitted in the previous 72 hours and stayed in hospital for at least 1 night. Admitted due to any acute condition possibly associated with an influenza infection (protocol admission diagnosis).

<sup>2</sup>Admitted in the previous 72 hours and stayed in hospital for at least 1 night. Admitted due to any acute condition possibly associated with an influenza infection (protocol admission diagnosis). Compliant with protocol ILI definition.

## Conclusion & Challenges

Despite exhaustive testing no influenza cases were detected under the current study. This mimics the results reported by the national surveillance program.

The lack of an influenza season in South Africa (and in other countries of the Southern Hemisphere) probably reflects the hard lockdown measures, including the closure of regional and international borders, implemented in the country from end of March.





# KENYA

Nancy Otieno



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# KENYA

# KENYA MEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

#included = **640**

#LCI = **70**

#sequenced = **63**

## Site presentation

- Surveillance conducted in 7 sites
  - Coast Provincial General Hospital (PGH)
  - Nyeri PGH
  - Kenyatta National Hospital
  - Nakuru County Referral Hospital (CRH)
  - Kakamega CRH
  - Siaya CRH
  - Marsabit CRH
- Total of 4,100 bed capacity for adults and pediatrics
  - Bed occupancy vary by site, range between 20-120%

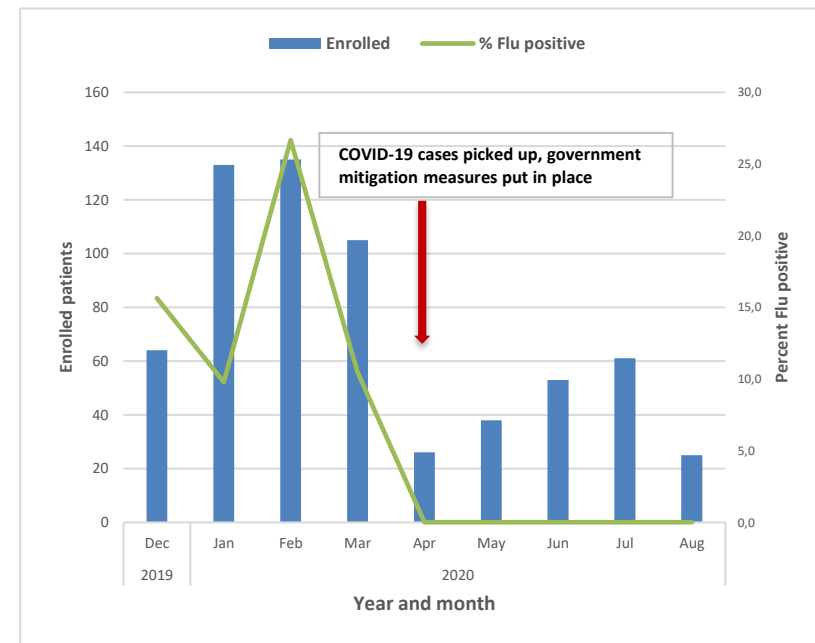


Figure 1: Location of GIHSN sites in Kenya

## Results

- At each of the hospitals surveillance officers identify patients
  - hospitalized with acute onset of illness (< 10 days-routine SARI, <7 days-GIHSN), with cough and reported fever or documented temp.  $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Enrolled 640 patients of which 70 (10.9%) tested positive for influenza
  - The majority of the cases were children <5 years of age (525, 82.0%)
  - Very few elderly patients (13, 0.2%), none had influenza
- Influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 was predominant
- We detected no influenza from April – August 2020, coinciding with period when COVID-19 cases increased (Figure 3.)
- Patients with co-morbidities accounted for 265 (41.4%) of influenza-associated hospitalizations, 21 (7.9%) tested positive for influenza
- Malnutrition was most prevalent in 115/525 infants, 12 (10.4%) of the malnourished infants had influenza
- We recorded some influenza vaccination among 10 children

Figure 3: Monthly no. of cases enrolled and % influenza positive



## Conclusion & Challenges

### Conclusions:

- We enrolled 640 patients of which 70 (10.9%) tested positive for influenza
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### Challenges and future directions:

- Late start for 2019-2020 season data collection, started in Dec. 2020 hence missed out on two months of data
- COVID-19 pandemic impacted on healthcare seeking, patients stayed away from health facilities for fear of SARS-CoV-2 testing and isolation when found positive
- Prioritization of SARS-CoV-2 testing by the NIC slowed down influenza testing and hence availability of virus data
- Plans to train KEMRI and NIC staff to generate genetic sequence data were put on hold since all laboratory efforts were directed towards SARS-CoV-2 testing
  - Trainings will be done in 2020-2021 season; having capacity to sequence locally will ease and improve our data uploading frequency



# FRANCE-LYON

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# FRANCE – LYON

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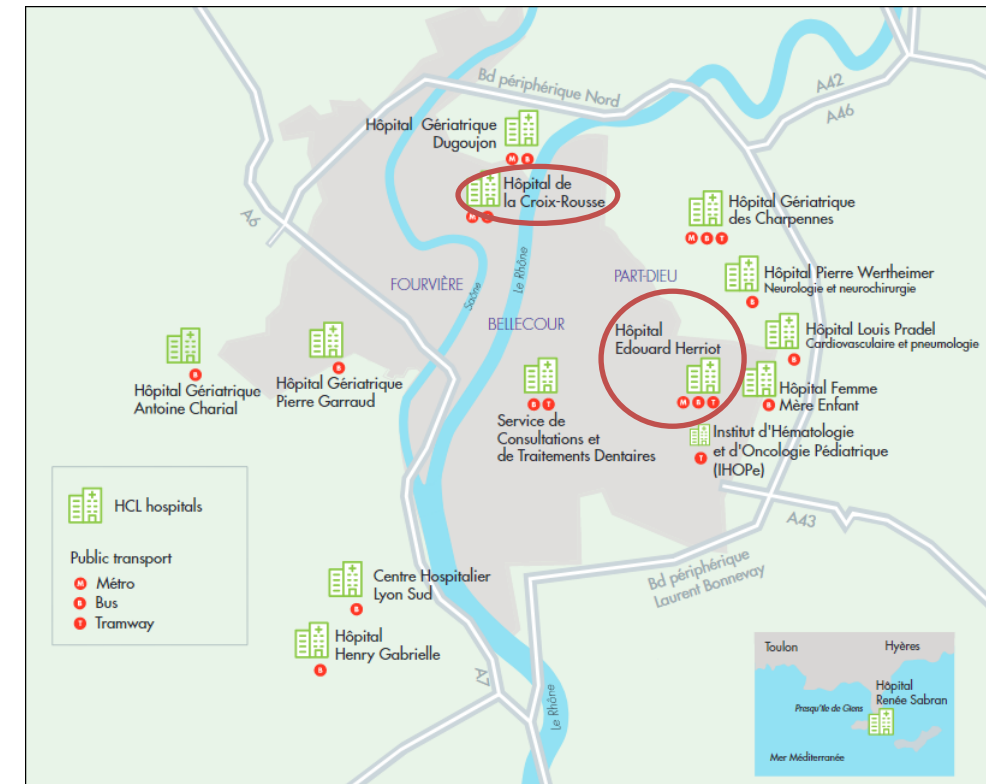
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#Sequenced = 7

## Site presentation

- Hospices Civils de Lyon (HCL) is the second largest university affiliated hospital in France. Of the 23,000 staff, 5,000 are physicians and more than 13,000 are nursing staff. HCL (around 6000 beds) includes 13 hospitals in Rhone-Alpes (Lyon) and one in the Var department in the south of France (see map below)<sup>1</sup>.
- GIHSN protocol is carried out in two hospitals:
  - Edouard Herriot hospital (973 in-patient adult beds)
  - Croix-Rousse hospital (716 in-patient adult beds)



# FRANCE – LYON

## Hospices Civils de Lyon

### Results

- Increase in the rate of patients included in the GIHSN network following the addition of Croix-Rousse hospital, despite the relatively mild influenza season and consequences of SARS-CoV2 pandemic on hospital consultation/admission

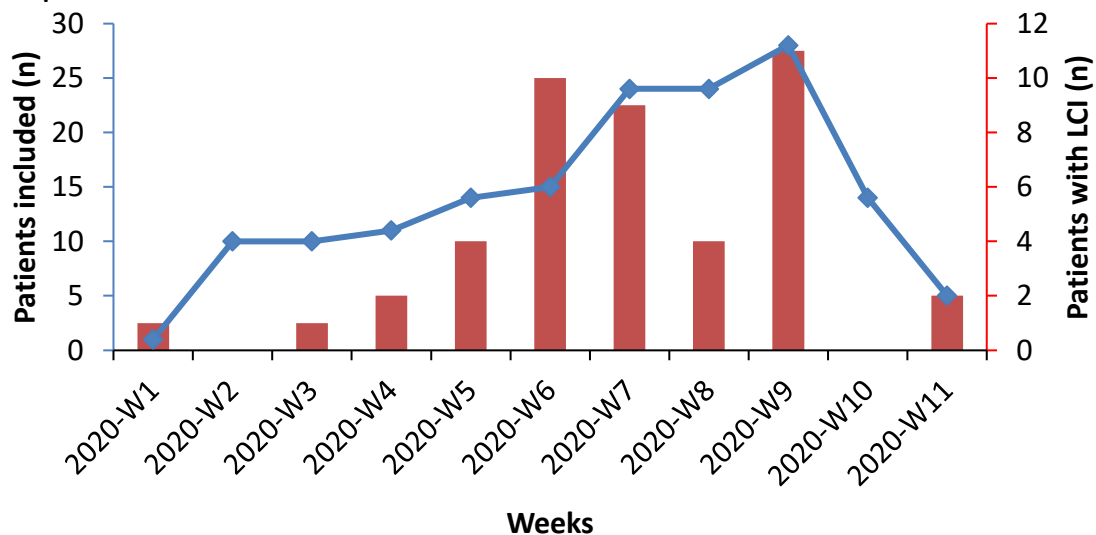


Figure 1 - Evolution of number of patients included (n=156) and patient with LCI (n=44) by weeks

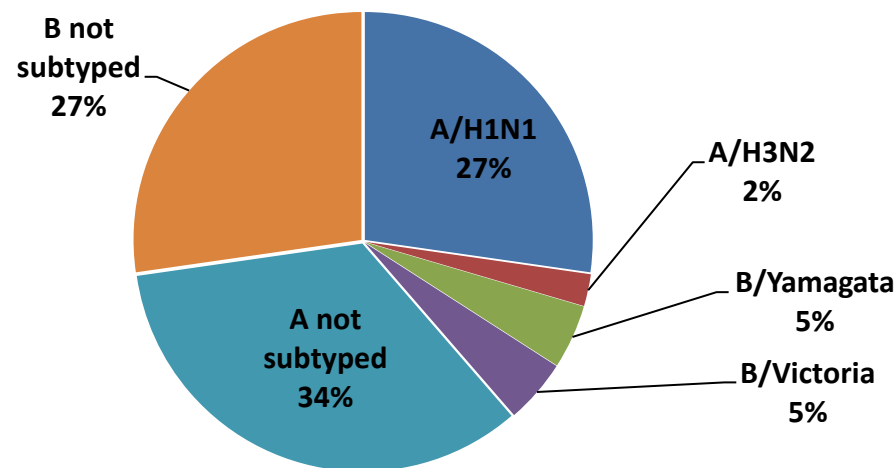


Figure 4 – Influenza distribution by type and subtype status (n=44)

- Co-circulation of influenza A and B in the study population (63% and 37% respectively)

#### Other related research:

- BIED study : Burden of Influenza in Emergency Dept. 2,500 patients including 125 confirmed influenza recruited (13/01/2020 - 09/03/2020)
- Nosocomial Coronavirus (NOSO-COR), 2,500 patients in France (*BMJ Open, in press*)
- Nosocomial Influenza (NOSOGRIPE), 2004-2020



### Conclusion & Challenges

- Co-circulation of influenza A and B in the study population (67% and 33% respectively) was in agreement with what has been observed in hospitals at national level (62% and 38% respectively) during the 2019-2020 influenza season
- At community level, co-circulation of influenza A and B was slightly different from what has been observed in hospitals (54% and 46% respectively)
- Vaccine coverage among influenza laboratory-confirmed cases was similar to what has been observed during the 2018-19 influenza season.
- Perspective: For the 2020-21 influenza season, we plan to integrate a third university-affiliated hospital in Lyon. Nosocomial influenza is under surveillance by the infection prevention and control team since 2018, allowing smooth running of the study in this hospital.



# FRANCE-PARIS

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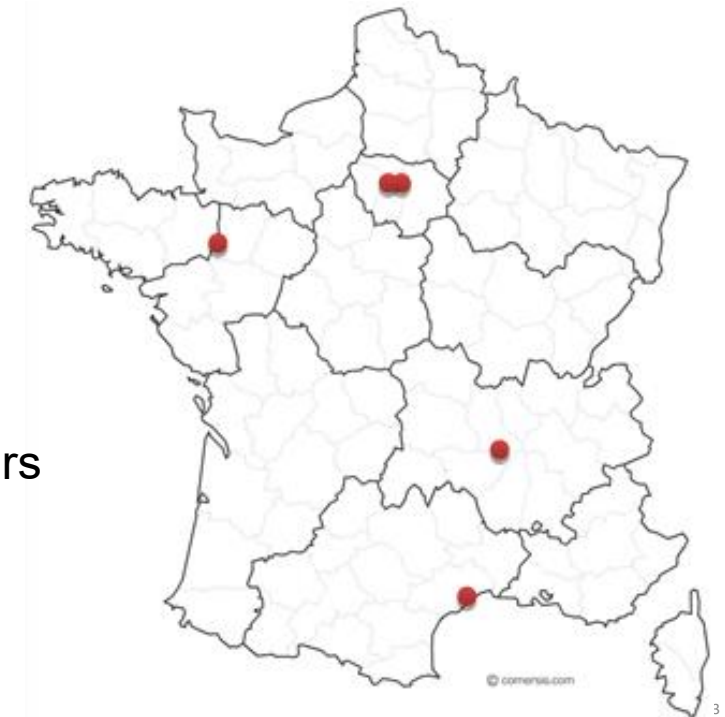
Included N= 445

LCI N= 89

Sequenced N= 89

## Site presentation

- Epidemiological study prospective case-control multicenter in France
- 5 participating university hospitals :
  - Paris (Cochin and Bichat hospitals)
  - Lyon,
  - Montpellier,
  - Rennes.
- Study focused on adults patients ( $\geq 18$  years) hospitalized for at least 24 hours for severe acute respiratory infection (SARI)
- Inclusion period: from December 12, 2019 to March 19, 2020.





Influenza viruses	n	%
A	69	77.5
A(H1N1)	47	52.8
A(H3N2)	12	13.5
B	20	22.5
B/Victoria lineage	10	11.2
B/Yamagata lineage	1	1.1

## Conclusions :

- In France, during the 2019-20 season, we observed a majority of influenza A/H1N1
- Influenza vaccine coverage was moderate (58%) in the total population: 44.9% in cases, 60.7% in controls
- IVE against hospitalisation with influenza for the 2019-2020 season: 43.8%

## Challenges :

increase the number of patients the following season even if the COVID-19 virus is in circulation

## Vaccine coverage:

Population (n=440)	Cases (n=89)	Controls (n=351)
58%	44.9%	60.7%

## Vaccine effectiveness (IVE)\* :

	IVE (%)	95% IC	Pvalues
Influenza	43.8	[1.4; 68.0]	0.044
Flu A	54.5	[15.0; 75.6]	0.014
Flu B	-6.5	[-227.5; 65.4]	0.913
<65	26.4	[-84.2; 70.6]	0.513
65-74	72.8	[-7.6; 93.1]	0.064
>=75	44.7	[-44.2; 78.8]	0.226

\*Multivariate analyzes are adjusted on age, sex, chronic disease and month of inclusion

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# SPAIN

FISABIO-Public Health (Valencia, Spain)

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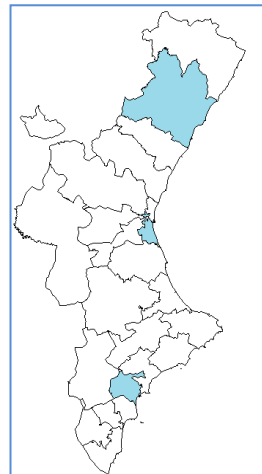
## FISABIO – Public Health

Included = **1,836**

LCI = **125**

Sequenced = **87**

### Site presentation



**4 hospitals**



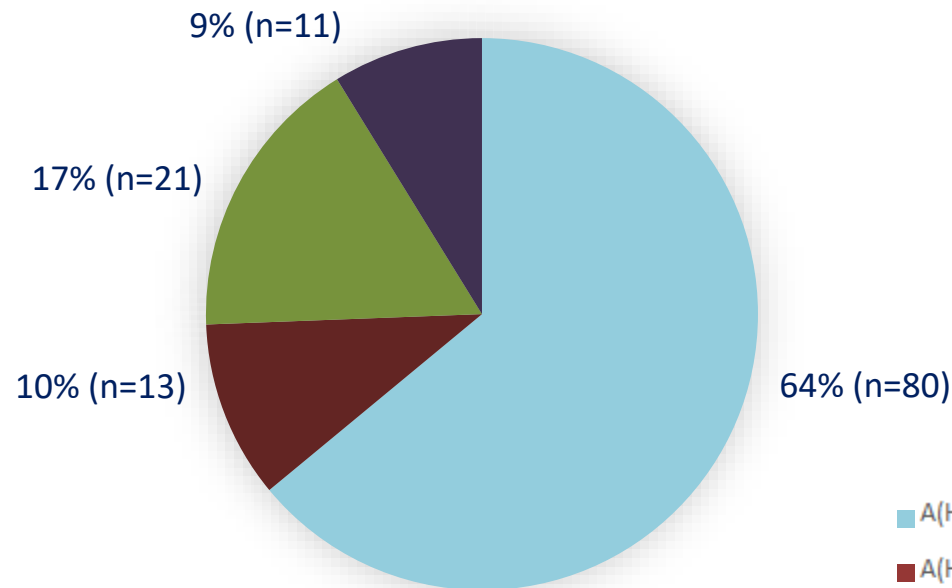
General Castellón	282,043
La Fe Valencia	287,348
Dr. Peset Valencia	279,027
General Alicante	277,193
<b>Total catchment area</b>	<b>1,125,611</b>

## Results

Flu:	125
RSV:	204
HMPV:	29
PIV:	13
HRV/EV:	186
AdV:	12
BoV:	15
CoV:	47

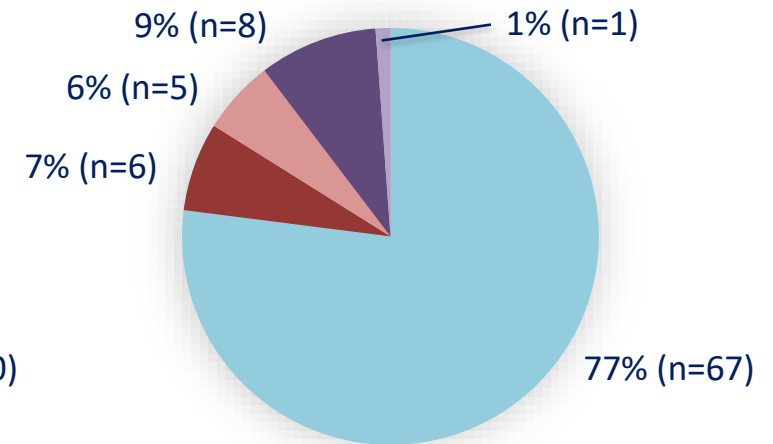
↳ SARS-CoV-2: 1

### Total influenza (125)



■ A(H1N1)pdm09     ■ A(H3N2)  
■ A not subtyped     ■ B

### Sequenced (87)



■ A(H1N1)pdm09 clade 6B.1, representative A/Michigan/45/2015  
■ A(H3N2) clade 3C.2a, representative A/Hong Kong/5738/2014  
■ A(H3N2) clade 3C.3a, representative A/England/538/2018  
■ B(Victoria) lineage clade A, representative B/Brisbane/60/2008  
■ B(Yamagata) lineage clade 3, representative B/Stockholm/12/2011



## Conclusion & Challenges

A(H1N1)pdm09 was the predominant influenza strain

The influenza peak was reached at weeks 2020-05/2020-06

Highest influenza hospitalization incidence rate was detected in <1 year old

All the A(H1N1)pdm09 viruses isolated corresponded to the vaccine virus recommendation

The lockdown did not prevent the VAHNSI network from collecting data during almost the entire flu wave