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Key Words: Post COVID, symptoms, persistent

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INTRODUCTION

In studies conducted on reports of pneumonia cases with unknown etiology in Wuhan, China's Hubei Province, on 31 December 2019, it was determined that a new coronavirus (2019-nCoV) had not been detected in humans before and that the name of the disease had been accepted as COVID-19. The cases were reported in 113 countries outside of China, where the first epidemic started. It was defined as a global (pandemic) epidemic on 11 March due to the spread and severity of the virus. The first case was detected in our country on 11 March. As in the world, the number of cases in our country has increased day by day (1).

Although the virus is found in the feces and urine of affected individuals, the disease spreads mainly through respiratory droplets (2).

Patients can present with asymptomatic or flu-like symptoms. It may show a different clinical course from pneumonia to respiratory failure and may have a fatal course (3, 4).

Fever, cough, shortness of breath, myalgia and fatigue are most common; sputum, hemoptysis, loss of sense of smell and taste, sore throat, headache, chest pain, diarrhea are also common symptoms of COVID-19 infection (5, 6). In mild cases, symptoms continue for 2 weeks. It goes on for up to 3-6 weeks in severe cases. Symptoms can get worse in a week or so. Approximately 2-8 weeks after the onset of symptoms, deaths were also seen.

The follow-up and care of patients has been arranged according to the COVID-19 guide prepared by the Ministry of Health, General Directorate of Public Health, since the onset of the disease in our country and those with moderate illness at the beginning of the outbreak were hospitalized, and those with serious illness continued to be hospitalized in the subsequent periods. There have also been changes in treatment recommendation. It was found that some symptoms also existed in the outpatient clinic controls.

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MATERIALS-METHODS

Three hundred fifteen patients who were diagnosed with COVID- 19 and applied to the chest diseases outpatient clinic between May 2020 and August 2020 for control in the 1st month were included in the study.

Patient informations were collected from the hospital information system and the e-pulse system. Patients' general characteristics (age, gender, history of smoking, treatment regimen, additional diseases), initial symptoms and ongoing symptoms within the first month, radiological characteristics, laboratory parameters (hemogram values, inflammatory markers, d-dimer) and hospitalization status were reported.

The approval for the study was obtained from the Medical Specialty Education Board of our hospital (689-27/8/2020).

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

The data obtained was evaluated in a computer environment using the IBM-SPSS (Version 20.0) statistical package program. For descriptive statistics, mean, standard deviation, minimum-maximum, median and 25-75 quartile values were used. The Shapiro-Wilk test was used to compare continuous results, and the Mann Whitney U and Kruskal Wallis tests were used because, as a result of the normality test, they did not comply with the normal distribution. McNemar and Wilcoxon tests were used for dependent group comparisons. For statistical significance, $p \leq 0.05$ has been accepted.

RESULTS

Females accounted for 50.2 % of the our patients and their mean age was 47.98 ± 14.81 (19-88) years. 14.3% (n: 45) of the individuals were 65 years of age and older, 34.3% (n: 108) had no findings in their lung computed tomography (CT) and chest X-rays. 20.6% (n: 65) of our patients were smoking and 70.2% (n: 221) of our patients were treated at home. 133 patients had at least one comorbid disease. Hypertension (HT) was determined in 43 patients, asthma was determined in 29 patients, diabetes mellitus (DM) was determined in 25 patients, coronary artery disease (CAD) was determined in 15 patients, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) was determined in 12 patients, neurological disease was determined in 7 patients, a history of malignancy was determined in 7 patients (2 patients with lung cancer , 3 patients with thyroid cancer, 1 patient with brain cancer, 1 patient with osteosarcoma), hypothyroidism was determined in 5 patients, rheumatological disease was determined in 4 patients, renal failure 3 patients and bronchiectasis

was determined in 3 patients. In addition to treatment with Favipiravir and/or Hydroxychloroquine, 47 patients received empiric antibiotic therapy, 33 patients received corticosteroid therapy and 23 patients received both antibiotic and corticosteroid therapy. 119 patients received prophylactic enoxaparin and 4 patients received enoxaparin at the therapeutic dose.

General characteristics of the study group are presented in Table 1.

When the symptoms of the study group were evaluated, while 7% (n: 22) of the subjects were asymptomatic in the first part of the study, 27.3% (n: 86) of the subjects were found to be asymptomatic in the 1-month period ($p < 0.001$). It was found that the symptoms of fever, myalgia, diarrhea, dyspnea, cough, loss of taste and smell and sore throat decreased within 1 month of the first period when the contrast of the two periods was examined (Table 2). The symptom distribution of the study group by period is shown in Table 2.

The median lymphocyte percent was 26.00 (17.75-33.50) in the first part of the analysis, and 27.00 (21.20-34.20) in the calculation one month later, when certain laboratory values of the study group were analyzed, and there was no difference between the two times. On the other hand, although the values of neutrophils, neutrophils/lymphocytes (NLR) and C-reactive proteins (CRP) decreased over time, the values of platelets and D-dimers increased (Table 3). The distribution of such laboratory values by time is shown in Table 3.

In our study, no statistically significant difference was found between age, gender and smoking status ($p > 0.005$ for each) when the distribution of individuals with persistent symptoms was examined after 1 month. It was determined that the symptoms had persisted in patients who had been hospitalized, had dual therapy, had comorbid diseases and had more common pathologies in their pulmonary imagings (Table 4).

182 patients had no comorbidities, 115 of those without comorbidity continued to have symptoms in the first month. 114 of those with comorbid diseases continued to have symptoms in the first month. Table 4 describes the distribution of general characteristics of the study group according to the occurrence of symptoms after 1 month.

Although there were no symptoms in 7 patients received antibiotic therapy and in 1 patient received antibiotic and corticosteroid therapy in the first month, all patients received corticosteroid therapy had at least one symptom in the first month ($p < 0.001$).

Initial D-dimer, initial CRP and the values of platelet, D dimer and CRP in the first month were detected to be higher in patients with persistens symptoms when the laboratory values of patients whose symptoms continue after 1 month were examined. No difference was found between the values of initial Neutrophil%, Lymphocyte% and NLR and the first month (Table 5).

The distribution of laboratory values for the study group based on the presence of symptoms after 1 month is shown in Table 5.

When the laboratory values of the individuals according to the treatment received in our study were examined; only those receiving hydroxychloroquine had lower initial D-dimer, 1st month lymphocyte and 1st month D-dimer levels, whereas those undergoing dual therapy had higher 1st month CRP levels. (Table 6). In the subgroup analysis, no statistically difference was found in the initial and 1st month NLR values. The distribution of laboratory values by treatment received by the research group is shown in Table 6.

DISCUSSION

All people of all age groups may be infected with SARS-CoV-2. Age was one of the risk factors rapidly and lead to death especially in elderly people and in patients with chronic diseases (8). The infection of COVID-19 can affect both men and women. However, its incidence and severity is higher in males than in females.

A study of 138 hospitalized patients with COVID-19 showed that the median age was 56 years and 75 (54.3%) were male while 63 (45.7%) were female (9). Almost half (46.4%) of patients had an underlying health condition in a retrospective analysis (n=138) of patients with COVID-19 (9).

According to the National Health Commission of China (NHC), approximately 80% of deaths were reported among patients over 60 years of age while 75% had previous health problems including diabetes and cardiovascular disease (10).

No specific consensus on patient hospitalization or discharge has been reached for infection with COVID-19. Studies show that around 14% of those infected with COVID-19 have a serious illness and 6% of those infected are critically ill so 20% of all cases need to be seriously hospitalized (11).

Hospitalization is recommended for patients over 50 years of age and all age groups with positive CT findings (12).

In our study the female-male ratio and the rate of comorbid diseases were similar to the literature. Cardiovascular diseases, chronic lung diseases and DM were the most common accompanying diseases. Our average age was 47.98 \pm 14.81 years of age. Mortality has not been observed in our patients due to mild to moderate cases and younger patients. The patients %70 were given treatment at home. The fact that we have a younger population compared to China and the USA explains this situation.

The most COVID-19 cases (> 70%) show ground glass opacities with consolidation and interstitial and/or interlobular septal thickening in Thorax CT (13). COVID-19 predominant CT findings are bilateral, peripheral and basal predominant ground-glass opacity, consolidation, or both (14). Air bubble signs and nodules are rare findings (15, 16). In 3%-13% of COVID-19 pneumonia patients. nodules were identified (17, 18), which was lower than that seen in other types of viral pneumonia (19).

All but one of the patients had at least one ground glass or consolidation on their CT scans. Nodular infiltration has been observed in one patient. Ground-glass opacity. with or without consolidation is the main feature of the disease.

The most common symptoms were fever (98%) followed by cough (76%) with more than half (55%) of patients developing dyspnea in a study (n=41) conducted by Huang et al. in patients with confirmed COVID-19 infection (20).

In a large study (n=1.099) from China. Guan et al. reported that 67.8% of COVID-19 patients had cough while 33% had sputum production and 18.7% had shortness of breath (21). In a retrospective study (n=138) of hospitalized COVID-19 patients. 10% of patients reported nausea and diarrhea (9).

A variety of studies have recorded a wide incidence rate of asymptomatic infections ranging from 1.6 to 56.6% (22-28). Asymptomatic patients typically experience none of the aforementioned clinical signs and/or symptoms. according to these studies. Furthermore, this subgroup of patients has few to no radiological imaging anomalies. While some with asymptomatic infection may develop into symptomatic cases, most progress is without clinical deterioration. The most common symptoms recorded in our research were cough, shortness of breath, weakness, myalgia and diarrhea. Seven percent of our patients were initially asymptomatic.

It has been accepted that smoking raises the risk of viral infections and influenza. Similar knowledge has been accepted for the COVID-19 pandemic. Smoking has been reported to be correlated with the incidence of the disease and the seriousness of the clinical course (29). Of our patients 20.6 per cent (n: 65) have been smoked.

No drugs for effective treatment of COVID-19 have been approved to date (30, 31). Treatment is tailored to the severity of the condition and individual heterogeneity.

Updated periodically from the beginning of the pandemic in our country, according to T.C. The Scientific Advisory Board of the Ministry of Health Adult Patient Management Guidelines, if there are no contraindications, hydroxychloroquine and/ or favipravir treatment is recommended for patients with COVID-19. 58.7% of our patients received favipiravir, 24.8% received hydroxychloroquine and 16.5% received favipiravir and hydroxychloroquine. The symptoms of patients who received dual therapy at the beginning of treatment

were observed to continue in the first month. This situation can be explained by the fact that these patients are heavier than other patients at the time of diagnosis and require more hospitalization.

Long COVID is the name used by patients to identify symptoms of COVID-19 that persist after acute illness (32). The working definitions of 'post-acute' (symptoms after 3-4 weeks) and 'chronic' (symptoms after 12 weeks) COVID-19 have not yet been officially confirmed (33, 34).

People with long COVID experience a confounding variety of recurrent and fluctuating symptoms, including cough, dyspnea, fever, sore throat, chest pain, palpitations, cognitive deficiencies, myalgia, neurological symptoms, skin rashes, and diarrhea. [33, 35-39]; some of which also have persistent or intermittent low oxygen saturation (40).

In our study, cough, dyspnea, weakness and myalgia were the most common in the first month. It was determined that the symptoms had persisted in patients who had been hospitalized, had dual therapy, had comorbid diseases and had more common pathologies in their pulmonary imagings.

Also, all patients who started corticosteroid therapy at the beginning had at least one symptom in the first month. Corticosteroid therapy was thought to be related to the initiation of patients with severity pneumonia.

The cause of persistent symptoms is unknown, but it probably involves several different mechanisms of disease, including an inflammatory reaction with a vasculitic component (41).

Recent studies estimated that 10–20% of people are still ill after 3 weeks and 1–3% are still severely ill after 12 weeks (34, 42).

In individuals with conditions such as asthma, diabetes and autoimmune disorders, mainstream medical opinion considers them more common (though they are also known to occur in those with no pre-existing conditions) (35, 36, 42, 43), in those who have been admitted to hospital (36, 37, 42).

This study found that 87.4% reported persistence with at least 1 symptom, particularly fatigue and dyspnea, in patients who had recovered from COVID-19 (36).

They subsequently complained of a relapse of chronic symptoms, in particular myalgia, extreme weakness, fever, dyspnea, tightness of the chest, tachycardia, headaches and anxiety (44).

Interestingly few of them show biological anomalies (no lymphocytopenia or elevated C-reactive protein in particular) and in rare cases, chest computed tomographic scan traces of infection (44). COVID-19 laboratory markers are not specific and are of minimal clinical benefit (12).

Lymphocytopenia and an increase in CRP values are the most commonly reported laboratory anomalies in the literature (45, 46).

In our study, when the laboratory values of individuals whose symptoms continued after 1 month were examined both the initial and 1 month later D-dimer and CRP values were found to be higher for those with symptoms.

D-dimer levels are commonly increased in patients infected with COVID-19. Significantly higher levels are found in those with critical illness and can be used as a prognostic marker for in hospital mortality (47).

CONCLUSION

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Table 1. General characteristics of the study group

		N	%
Gender	Female	158	50.2
	Male	157	49.8
Age	<65	270	85.7
	[?]65	45	14.3
Thorax CT	No	108	34.3
	Ground glass opacities	160	50.8
	Ground glass opacities and thrombus	4	1.3
	Consolidation	30	9.5
	Consolidation + ground glass opacities	12	3.8
	Nodular Infiltration	1	0.3
	Normal	108	34.3
Chest X- rays	Infiltration	207	65.7
	Favipiravir	185	58.7
Treatment	Favipravir and Hidroksiklorokin	52	16.5
	Hidroksiklorokin	78	24.8
	Non smoker	197	62.5
Smoking Behavior	Ex smoker	53	16.8
	Current Smoker	65	20.6
Treatment place	Hospital	94	29.8
	Home	221	70.2
Comorbidities	No	182	57.7
	Yes	133	42.2

CT: Computed Tomography

Table 2. Distribution of symptoms of the study group by periods

		First N	First %	After 1 month N	After 1 month %	Test Value p
Fever	No	216	68.6	310	98.4	<0.001
	Yes	99	31.4	5	1.6	
Weakness	No	248	78.7	246	78.1	0.913
	Yes	67	21.3	69	21.9	
Myalgia	No	223	70.8	273	86.7	<0.001
	Yes	92	29.2	42	13.3	
Diarrhea	No	305	96.8	314	99.7	0.004
	Yes	10	3.2	1	0.3	
Dyspnea	No	223	70.8	242	76.8	0.023
	Yes	92	29.2	73	23.2	
Cough	No	195	61.9	265	84.1	<0.001
	Yes	120	38.1	50	15.9	

Loss of taste and smell	No	291	92.4	313	99.4	<0.001
	Yes	24	7.6	2	0.6	
Sore throat	No	287	91.1	314	99.7	<0.001
	Yes	28	8.9	1	0.3	
Sputum	No	304	96.5	312	99.0	0.057
	Yes	11	3.5	3	1.0	
Other	No	275	87.3	288	91.4	0.106
	Yes	40	12.7	27	8.6	
At least one symptom	No	22	7.0	86	27.3	<0.001
	Yes	293	93.0	229	72.7	

McNemar Test was used

Table 3. Distribution of some laboratory values of the study group according to the periods

	First	First	First	After 1 month	After 1 month	After 1 month	Test Value
	Median	IQR 25	IQR 75	Median	IQR 25	IQR 75	p
Neutrophil %	62.15	52.95	69.10	59.00	51.70	65.00	<0.001
Lymphocyte %	26.00	17.75	33.50	27.00	21.20	34.20	0.091
NLR	2.43	1.67	3.70	2.20	1.57	2.99	0.001
Platelet	234.00	190.00	276.50	272.00	227.00	335.00	<0.001
D-Dimer	.40	.24	.78	.41	.25	.68	0.001
Ferritin	82.00	24.60	198.20	62.50	22.00	223.00	0.060
CRP	8.10	3.00	26.33	.87	.00	4.90	<0.001

Wilcoxon Test was used

NLR: Neutrophil/ Lymphocyte Ratio, CRP: C-reactive protein

Table 4. Distribution of general characteristics of the study group according to the presence of symptoms 1 month later

		After 1 month No symptoms N	After 1 month No symptoms %	After 1 month Symptoms N	After 1 month Symptoms %	Test Value p
Gender	Female	41	47.7	117	51.1	0.589
	Male	45	52.3	112	48.9	
Age	<65	78	90.7	192	83.8	0.121
	[?]65	8	9.3	37	16.2	
Thorax CT	No	48	55.8	60	26.2	<0.001
	Ground glass opacities	31	36.0	129	56.3	

	Ground glass opacities and thrombus	0	0.0	4	1.7	
	Consolidation	5	5.8	25	10.9	
	Consolidation + ground glass opacities	2	2.3	10	4.4	
	Nodular Infiltration	0	0.0	1	0.4	
Chest X-rays	Normal	48	55.8	60	26.2	<0.001
	Infiltration	38	44.2	169	73.8	
Treatment	Favipiravir	45	52.3	140	61.1	0.004
	Favipravir	9	10.5	43	18.8	
	and Hidroksiklorokin					
	Hidroksiklorokin	32	37.2	46	20.1	
Smoking Behavior	Non smoker	46	53.5	151	65.9	0.117
	Ex smoker	17	19.8	36	15.7	
	Current Smoker	23	26.7	42	18.3	
Treatment place	Hospital	8	9.3	86	37.6	0.001
	Home	78	90.7	143	62.4	
Comorbidities	No	68	79	114	49	<0.001
	Yes	18	21	115	51	

X² test was used

CT: Computed Tomography

Table 5. Distribution of laboratory values of the study group according to the presence of symptoms after 1 month

	After 1 month No symptoms Median	After 1 month No symptoms IQR 25	After 1 month No symptoms IQR 75	After 1 month Symptoms Median	After 1 month Symptoms IQR 25	After 1 month Symptoms IQR 75
First Neutrophil %	58.80	50.40	67.55	62.55	55.75	70.25
First Lymphocyte %	26.70	21.00	35.65	24.90	17.40	32.15
First NLR	2.25	1.47	3.24	2.48	1.76	3.78
First Platelet	228.00	188.50	270.50	237.50	191.50	279.00
First D-dimer	.32	.21	.53	.46	.26	.90
First Ferritin	73.00	18.40	188.00	86.00	25.00	211.00
First CRP	4.44	1.42	14.36	12.00	3.90	41.00
After 1 month Neutrophil %	58.10	49.20	63.40	59.10	52.00	66.00
After 1 month Lymphocyte %	28.70	22.00	36.00	26.70	19.80	33.70
After 1 month NLR	2.10	1.56	2.67	2.21	1.57	3.09
After 1 month Platelet	247.50	215.00	282.00	280.00	233.00	343.00

After 1 month D-dimer	.37	.20	.53	.44	.27	.74
After 1 month Ferritin	47.00	13.00	138.00	65.30	23.00	235.00
After 1 month CRP	.00	.00	2.00	62.55	55.75	70.25

Mann Whitney U test was used

NLR: Neutrophil/ Lymphocyte Ratio, CRP: C-reaktive protein

Table 6. Distribution of laboratory values according to the treatment received by the study group

	Treatment Favipiravir ¹ Median	Treatment Favipiravir ¹ IQR 25	Treatment Favipiravir ¹ IQR 75	Treatment Favipravir and Hydroxychloroquine ² Median	Treatment Favipravir and Hydroxychloroquine ² IQR 25
First Neutrophil %	62.15	54.80	70.20	63.75	57.35
First Lymphocyte %	26.55	17.50	33.30	23.25	16.75
First NLR	2.45	1.69	3.65	3.02	1.91
First Platelet	224.00	191.00	283.00	221.50	182.00
First D-dimer	.45	.26	.83	.54	.35
First Ferritin	62.90	19.10	211.00	120.40	41.20
First CRP	13.00	4.00	44.33	9.20	3.19
After 1 month Neutrophil %	57.40	52.50	65.80	60.00	49.50
After 1 month Lymphocyte %	25.85	17.95	32.70	24.55	18.75
After 1 month NLR	2.29	1.62	3.21	2.28	1.54
After 1 month Platelet	282.00	232.50	343.50	267.00	229.00
After 1 month D-dimer	.42	.30	.80	.46	.31
After 1 month Ferritin	73.00	22.00	265.00	57.00	29.10
After 1 month CRP	.40	.00	4.50	3.29	.87

Kruskal-Wallis Test was used. First D-dimer 1-2: 0.357 1-3:<0.001 2-3:<0.001, First CRP 1-2:0.422 1-3:<0.001 2-3: 0.058, After 1 month 1-2: 0.087 1-3: 0.004 2-3: 1.000, After 1 month D-dimer 1-2: 1.000 1-3:0.024 2-3:0.033, After 1 month CRP 1-2:<0.001 1-3: 1.000 2-3: <0.001

NLR: Neutrophil/ Lymphocyte Ratio, CRP: C-reaktive protein