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## **Experience in non-in-person visits and mainstreaming models in hereditary cancer in Spanish population**

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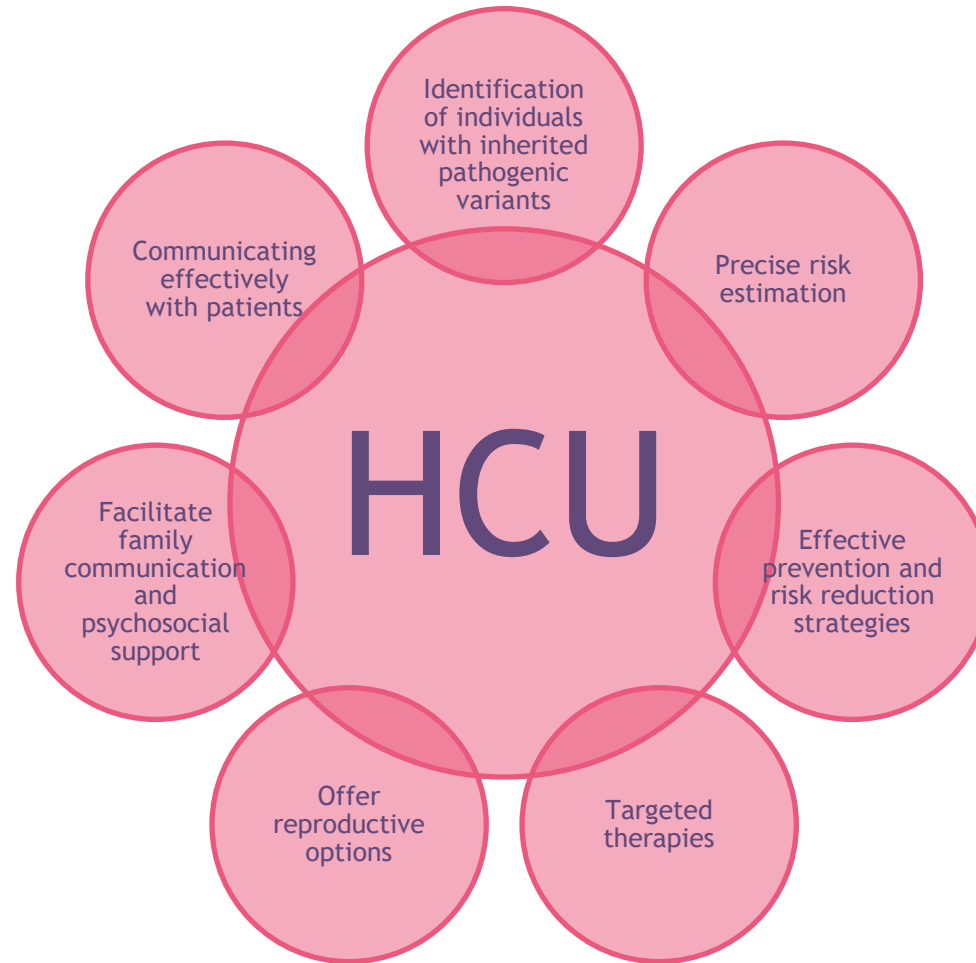
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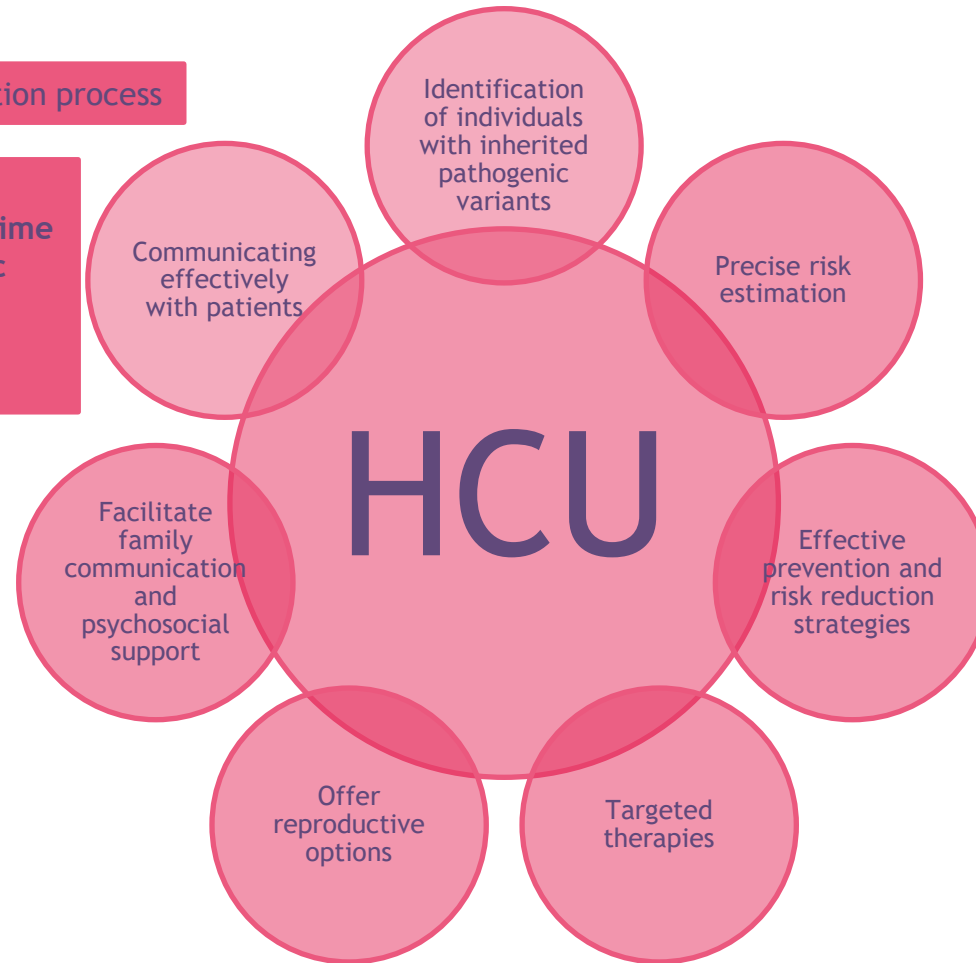


# Aims (and challenges) of hereditary cancer units (HCU)

Adapting the communication process

Adapting the communication approach/provide a faster turnaround time to satisfy actionability for therapeutic indications:

- non-in-person visits
- mainstreaming delivery model

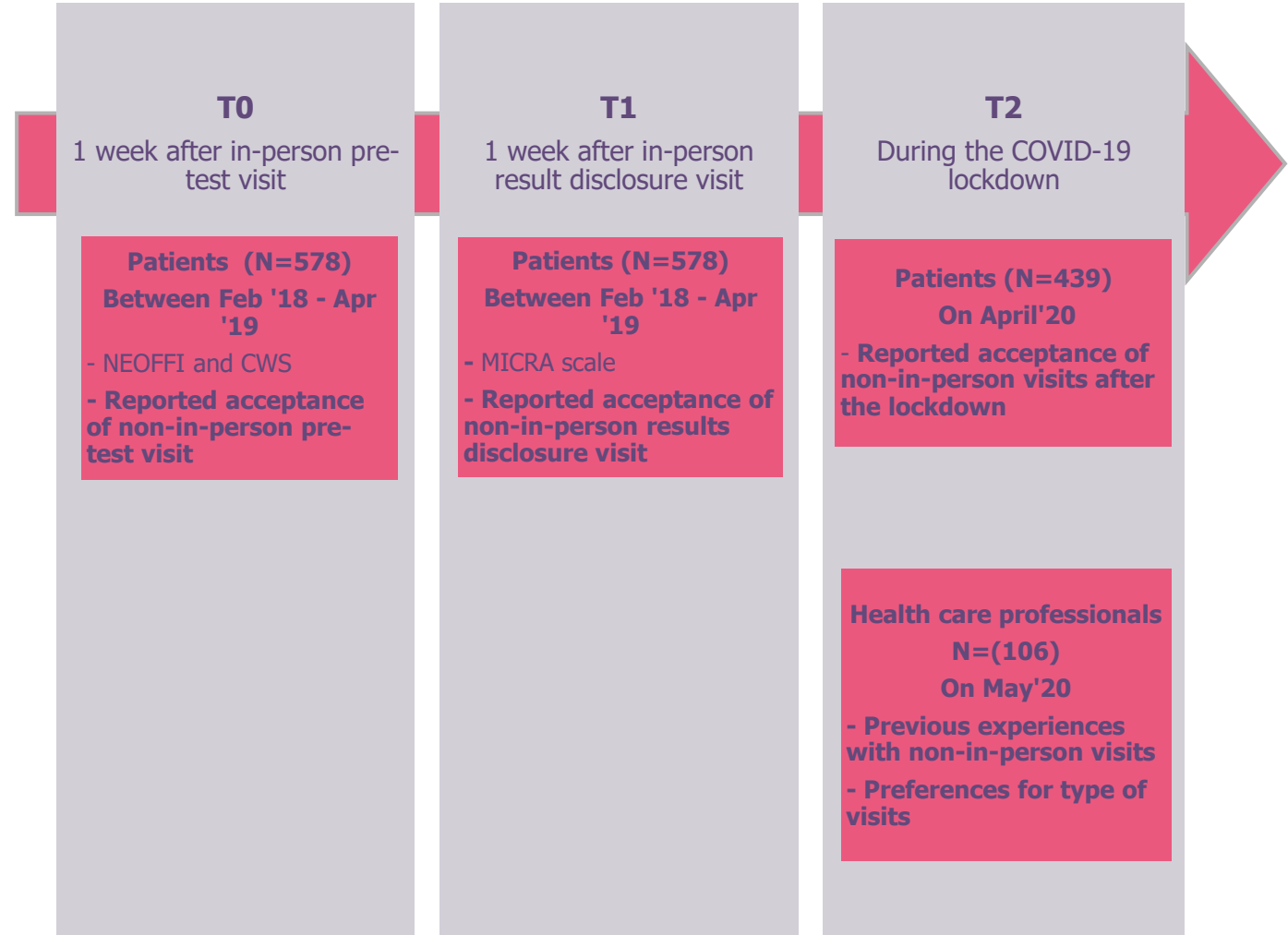


- Non-in-person visits: ARPA study
  - Before pandemics
  - Impact of COVID-19 lockdown
  - Differences between telephone and video-conference
  - Predictors of acceptance
  - Health care providers preferences
- Mainstreaming genetic testing: Vall d'Hebron experience

# Catalan Oncology Network study – ARPA cohort



- Multicentric prospective study
- Participants undergoing cancer genetic testing in HCU



# Acceptance of non-in-person visits before the pandemics

*Before COVID-19 pandemic*

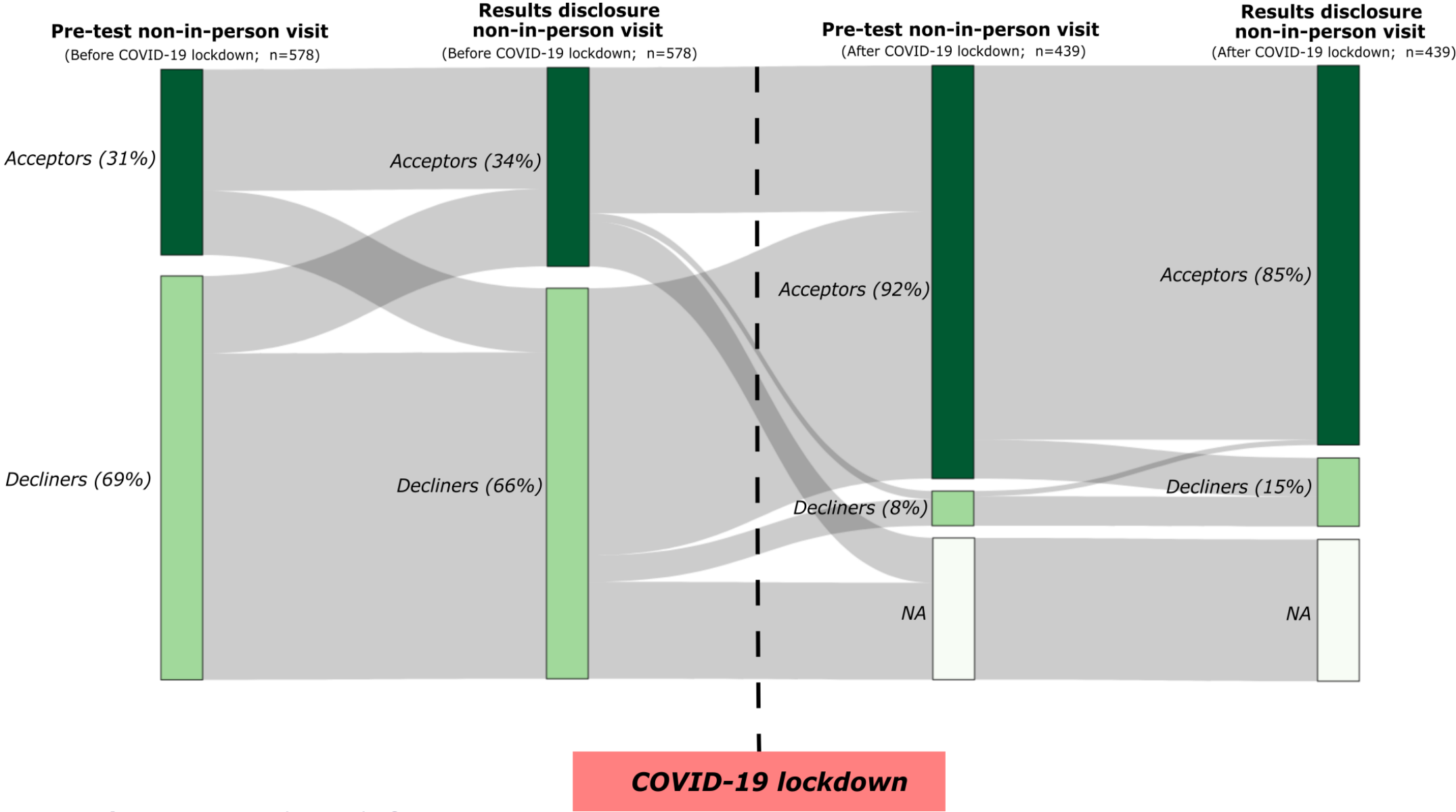
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	Pre-test non-in-person visits n (%)	Results disclosure non-in-person visits n (%)
Acceptors	182 (31.5)	195 (33.7)
Decliners	396 (68.5)	383 (66.3)

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In our population, most patients were reluctant to non-in-person visits

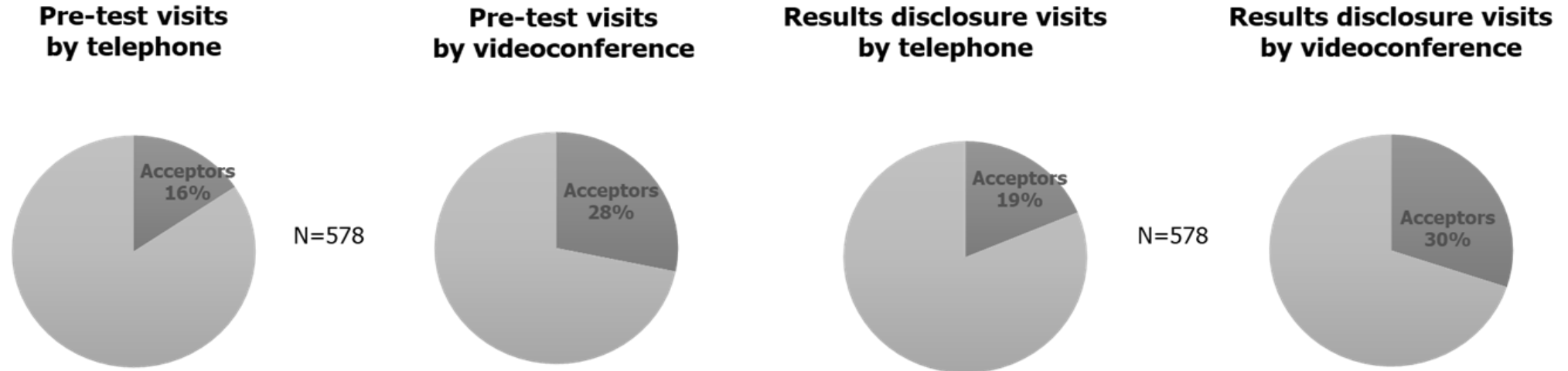
# Impact of COVID-19 lockdown





# Diferences between Telephone and videoconference

*Before COVID-19 pandemic*



- Videoconference-based visits were more accepted than the telephone-based
- Non-in-person result disclosure visits were slightly more accepted than pre-test visits

# What makes people more likely to accept non-in-person visits?

*Before COVID-19 pandemic*



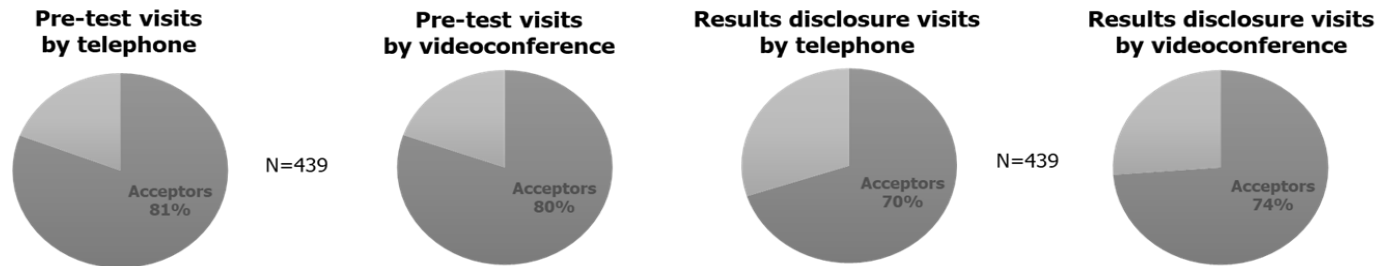
	Pre-test visits			Results disclosure visits		
	Predictor of acceptance	OR	p-value	Predictor of acceptance	OR	p-value
Telephone	Age (10Y increment)	0.79 (0.65 - 0.96)	0.02	Age (10Y increment)	0.78 (0.65-0.92)	0.004
				Type of genetic (panel vs direct gene testing )	0.60 (0.37-0.96)	0.04
				Type of result (positive vs negative)	0.52 (0.29-0.91)	0.03
				Conscientiousness group (low vs high)	2.87 (1.55-5.64)	0.001
				Level uncertainty derived from genetic testing	0.93 (0.88-0.97)	0.002
Videoconference	Age (10Y increment)	0.73 (0.62 - 0.85)	<0.001	Age (10Y increment)	0.75 (0.65 - 0.87)	<0.001
	Education level (more than secondary vs up to secondary)	1.61 (1 - 2.62)	0.05	Level of uncertainty derived from genetic testing	0.96 (0.92-0.99)	0.04
	Neuroticism group (low vs high)	1.72 (1.06-2.79)	0.03			

Results from the multivariate analysis including all relevant variables. López-Fernández, et al (2021) GiM

# What makes people more likely to accept non-in-person visits?

*During COVID-19 pandemic lockdown*

- Acceptance rate during the pandemic lockdown were high in all scenarios



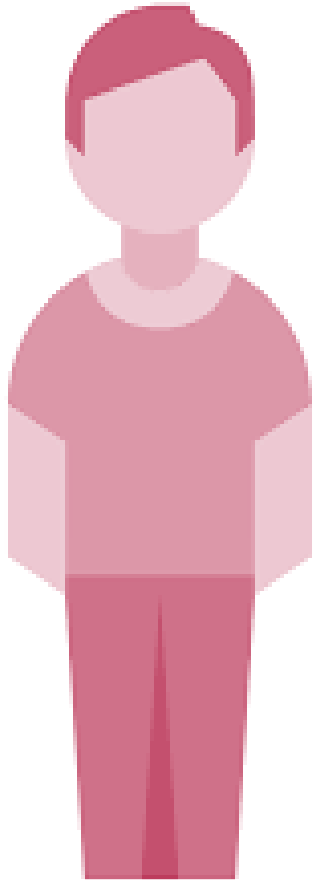
- No significant clinical, genetic or psychological predictors were found in the multivariate analysis ( $p > 0.05$ )
- Psychological impact from the lockdown arose as a new determining variable
- Levels of acceptance are expected to be similar than those obtained before the pandemic (next steps)

# What makes people more likely to accept non-in-person visits?

*Individuals who are LESS likely to accept PRE-TEST non-in-person visit*

**Age**  
Older patients

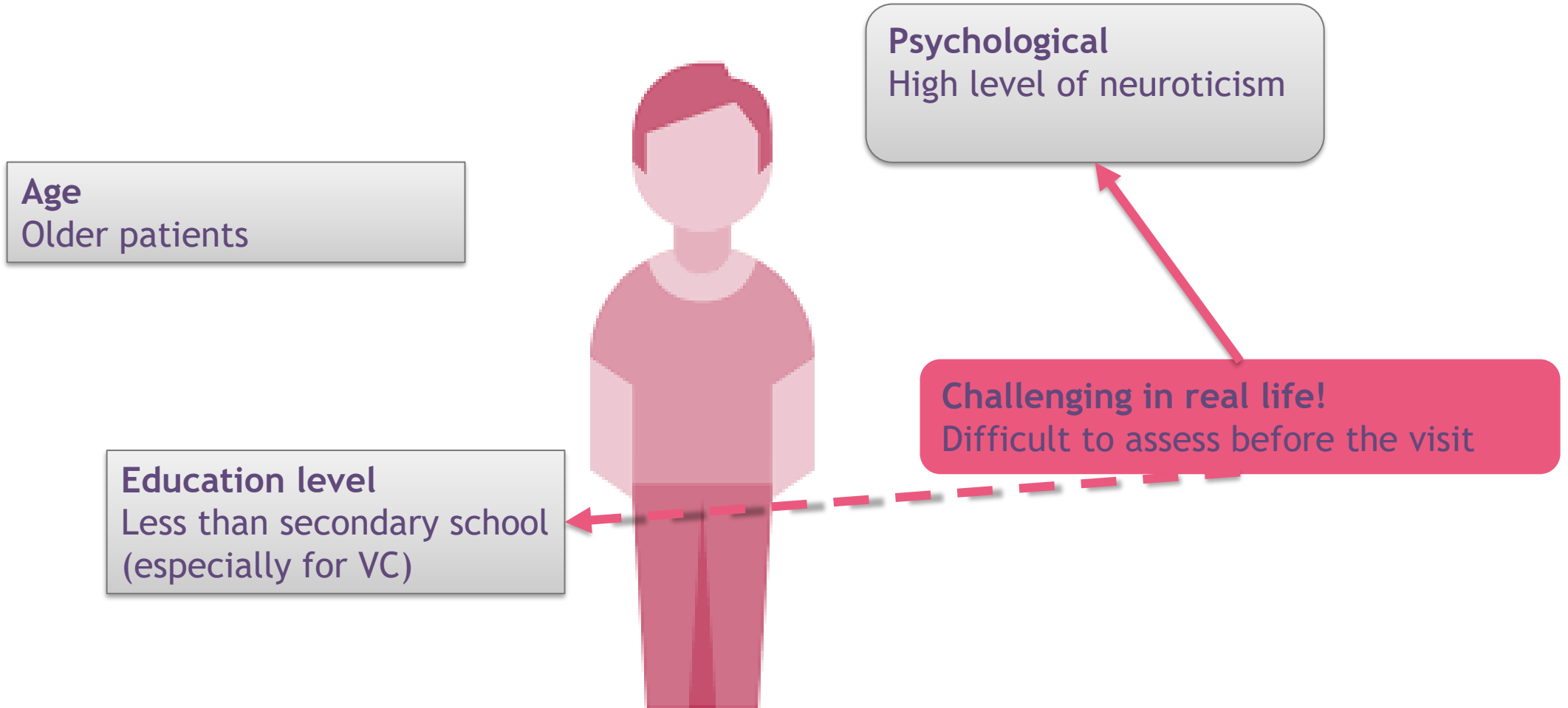
**Education level**  
Less than secondary school  
(especially for VC)



**Psychological**  
High level of neuroticism

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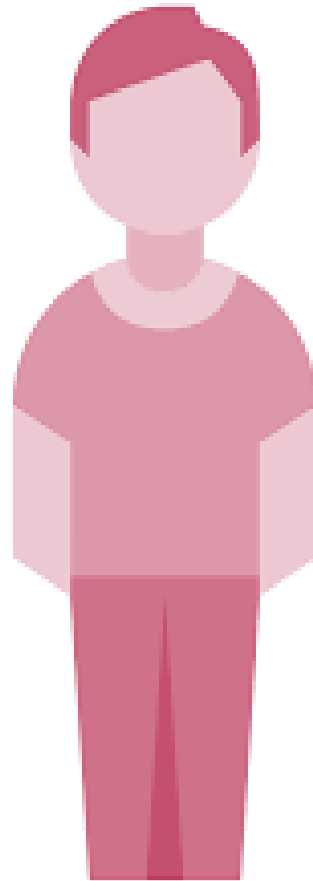


# What makes people more likely to accept non-in-person visits?

*Individuals who are LESS likely to accept RESULT DISCLOSURE non-in-person visit*

**Age**  
Older patients

**Genetic testing**  
- Panel testing  
- Positive result



## Psychological

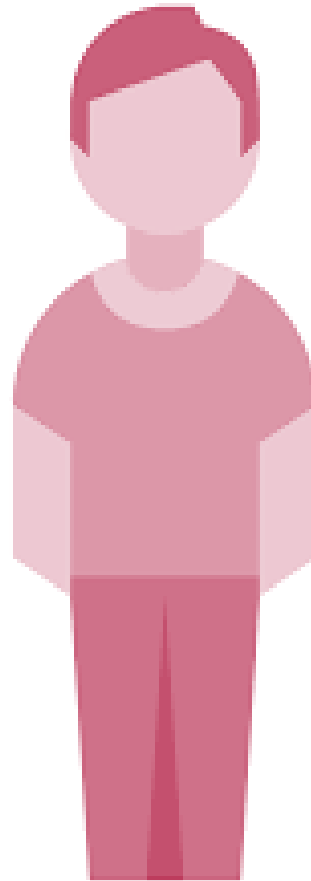
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## Psychological

- Results that implies higher uncertainty
- High conscientiousness level

## How to identify individuals with high conscientiousness level?

- They have the desire to do a task well
- They are diligent and tend to be efficient and organized
- Ample time is spent planning and preparing
- Ability to prioritize important tasks

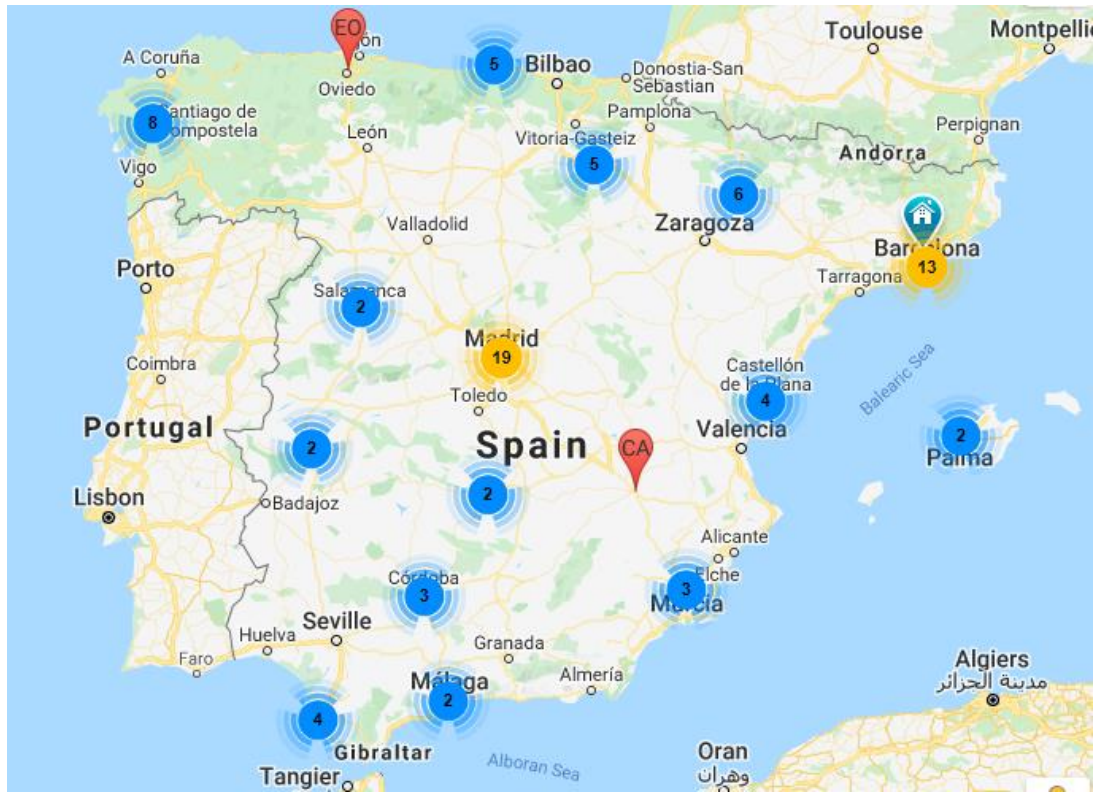
# What make people more prone to accept non-in-person visits?

## Role of age in non-in-person visits acceptance

	Pre-test telephone visit			Pre-test videoconference visit			Results telephone visit			Results videoconference visit		
	% reported acceptance	OR 95% CI	P value	% reported acceptance	OR 95% CI	P value	% reported acceptance	OR 95% CI	P value	% reported acceptance	OR 95% CI	P value
Before COVID-19												
Age group												
<30	15.8	Ref.		38.6	Ref.		24.6	Ref.		36.8	Ref.	
31-40	23.5	1.63 (0.73-3.94)	<b>0.04</b>	39.1	1.02 (0.53- 1.98)	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	28.7	1.24 (0.61-2.61)	<b>0.007</b>	39.1	1.1 (0.57- 2.14)	<b>&lt;0.001</b>
41-50	16.4	1.04 (0.48-2.49)		31.0	0.71 (0.38-1.35)		15.8	0.58 (0.28-1.22)		31.6	0.79 (0.43- 1.5)	
51-60	13.8	0.86 (0.36-2.13)		21.9	0.44 (0.23-0.88)		15.5	0.56 (0.26- 1.24)		26.0	0.6 (0.31-1.19)	
61-70	10.1	0.6 (0.21-1.68)		12.7	0.23 (0.09-0.53)		17.7	0.66 (0.28- 1.53)		22.8	0.51 (0.23-1.1)	
>70	3.1	0.17 (0.01-0.98)		18.7	0.36 (0.12- 0.99)		3.0	0.09 (0.01- 0.52)		12.1	0.24 (0.07-0.7)	
After COVID-19												
Age group												
<30	72.1	Ref.		83.7	Ref.		60.5	Ref.		79.1	Ref.	
31-40	85.4	2.27 (0.94-5.46)	0.26	90.6	1.87 (0.62-5.43)	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	67.7	1.37 (0.65-2.89)	0.49	79.2	1 (0.4-2.39)	<b>&lt;0.001</b>
41-50	79.7	1.52 (0.68-3.27)		83.1	0.96 (0.36-2.3)		69.6	1.5 (0.73-3.01)		77.7	0.92 (0.38-2.05)	
51-60	84.4	2.1 (0.87-5.07)		76.7	0.64 (0.23-1.58)		76.7	2.15 (0.98-4.72)		70	0.62 (0.25-1.42)	
61-70	73.3	1.07 (0.41-2.74)		60	0.29 (0.1-0.77)		68.9	1.45 (0.6-3.53)		57.8	0.36 (0.14-0.91)	
>70	88.2	2.9 (0.67-20.2)		64.7	0.35 (0.09-1.31)		76.5	2.12 (0.84-2.87)		58.8	0.38 (0.11-1.29)	



# Health-care providers preferences



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- 85 hereditary cancer units in Spain
- Survey sent to the members of the Hereditary Cancer Section from the SEOM, CAR-AEG (Clínicas alto riesgo- Asociación Española de Gastroenterología), members of SEAGen
- questions about previous experiences with non-in-person visits and preferences about type of visit

## Health-care providers preferences

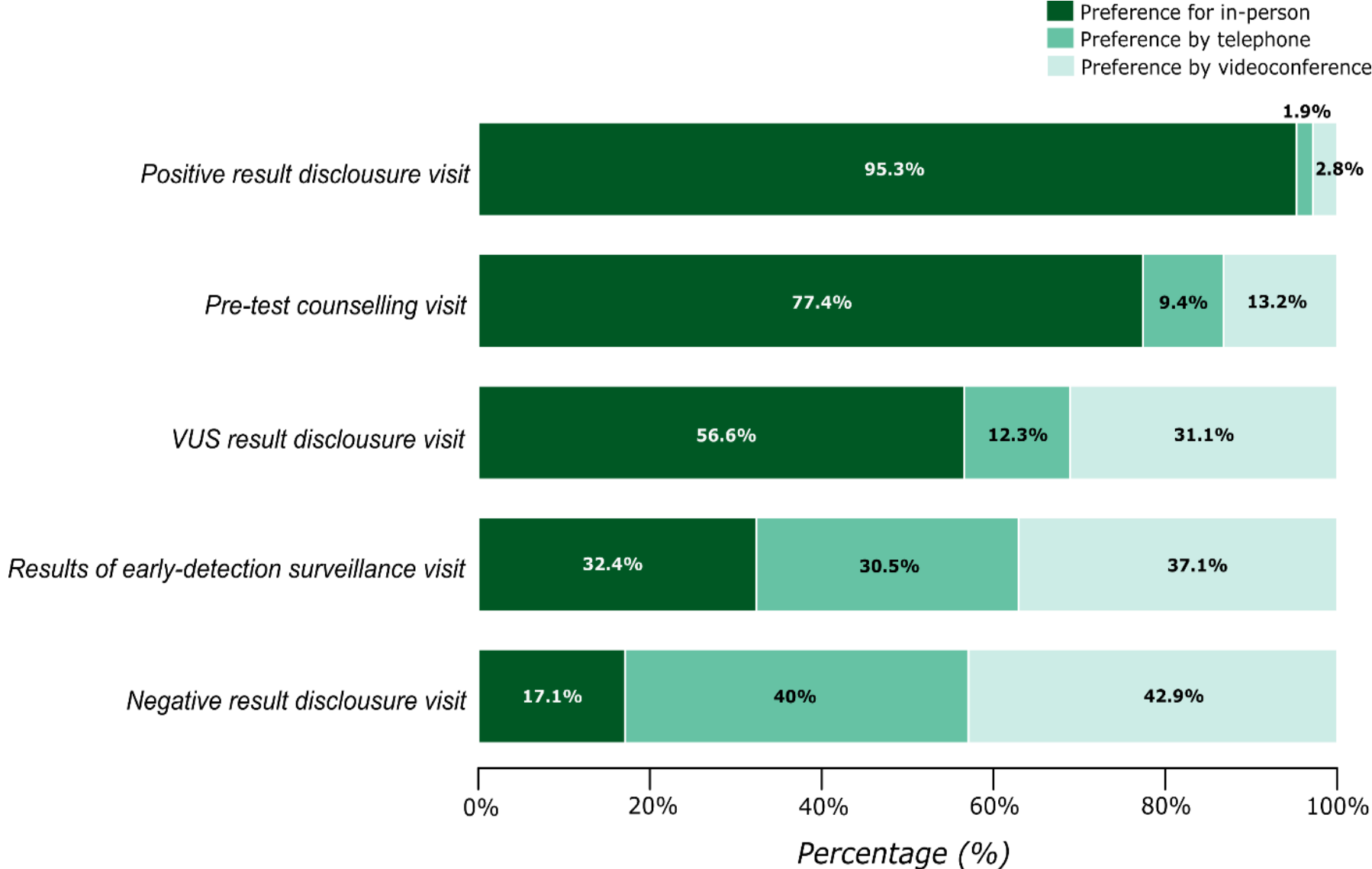
- 106 health care providers:
  - 72% physician
  - 20% genetic counselor
  - 8% nurse
- Availability of VC tools in clinics before the pandemic:
  - 67% No

# Health-care providers preferences

*Experiences before the COVID-19 pandemic*

Clinical scenario	Used before COVID-19 pandemic			
	Visits by telephone		Visits by videoconference	
	n	%	n	%
Pre-test visits	22	20.8	2	1.9
Results disclosure visit	42	39.6	3	2.9

# Health-care providers preferences



# Mainstreaming model

## Cancer Genetics Service Delivery Models

**Table 1** Defined service delivery models

Traditional face-to-face pre-test and post-test counseling (Traditional)

Face-to-face pre-test without face-to-face post-test counseling (Face-to-face Pre-test Only)

Telephonic pre-test with or without post-test counseling (Telephonic)

Videoconferencing/telemedicine pre-test with or without post-test counseling (Video)

Post-test counseling only- all: Clients are referred to genetic counselor after genetic testing for all/most test results. Pre-test counseling provided by other health care provider (Post-test All)

Post-test counseling- complex: Clients are referred to genetic counselor after genetic testing for complex cases only. Routine results managed by ordering provider (Post-test Complex)

Consultant model: Genetic counselor helps individual provider with risk assessment, provider provides genetic counseling/direct patient care for most cases (Consultant)

Collaborative model: Genetic counselor helps health care provider with risk assessment, provider manages low risk cases and refers high/moderate risk to genetic counselor (Collaborative)

Group genetic counseling: Genetic counselor provides counseling to groups of clients with or without follow up individual sessions (Group)

Public health model: Counselor educates a community of providers (within a practice, hospital, etc.) through group education with expectation they will manage routine and refer complex cases (Public Health)



Non-in-person genetic counselling

Mainstreaming delivery model

## Oncologist-led *BRCA* 'mainstreaming' in the ovarian cancer clinic: A study of 255 patients and its impact on their management

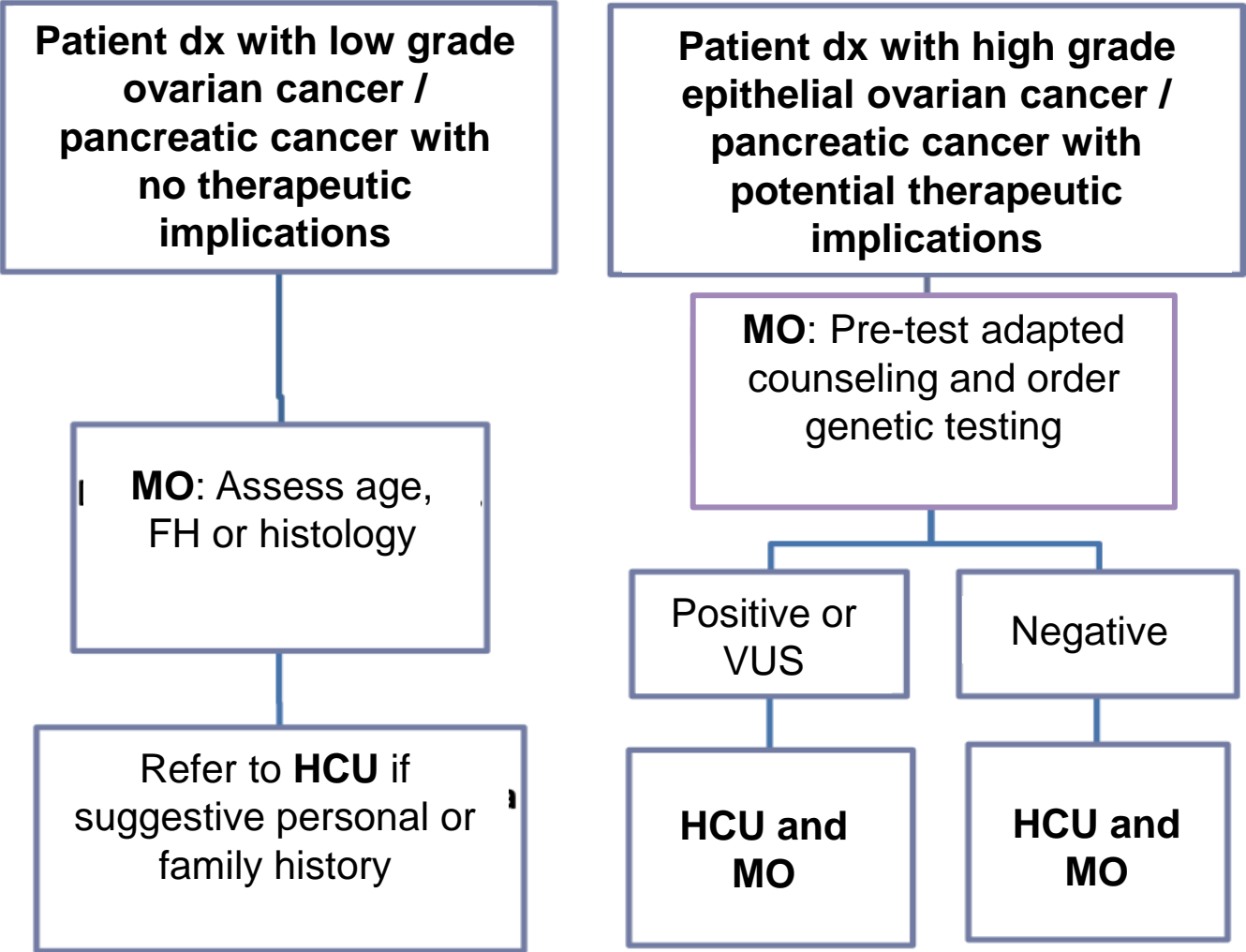
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Nazneen Rahman<sup>4,5</sup>, Angela George<sup>6,7</sup> & Jonathan Krell<sup>3,7</sup>

- N=255 ovarian cancer patients
- *BRCA* testing uptake from 14% to 95%
- Mean turnaround time from 148 days to 21 days
- 13% (34) BRCAm patients
- 9 received PARPi off trial, 3 entered a clinical trial, 5 receiving platinum- based chemo with a plan to receive PARPi maintenance

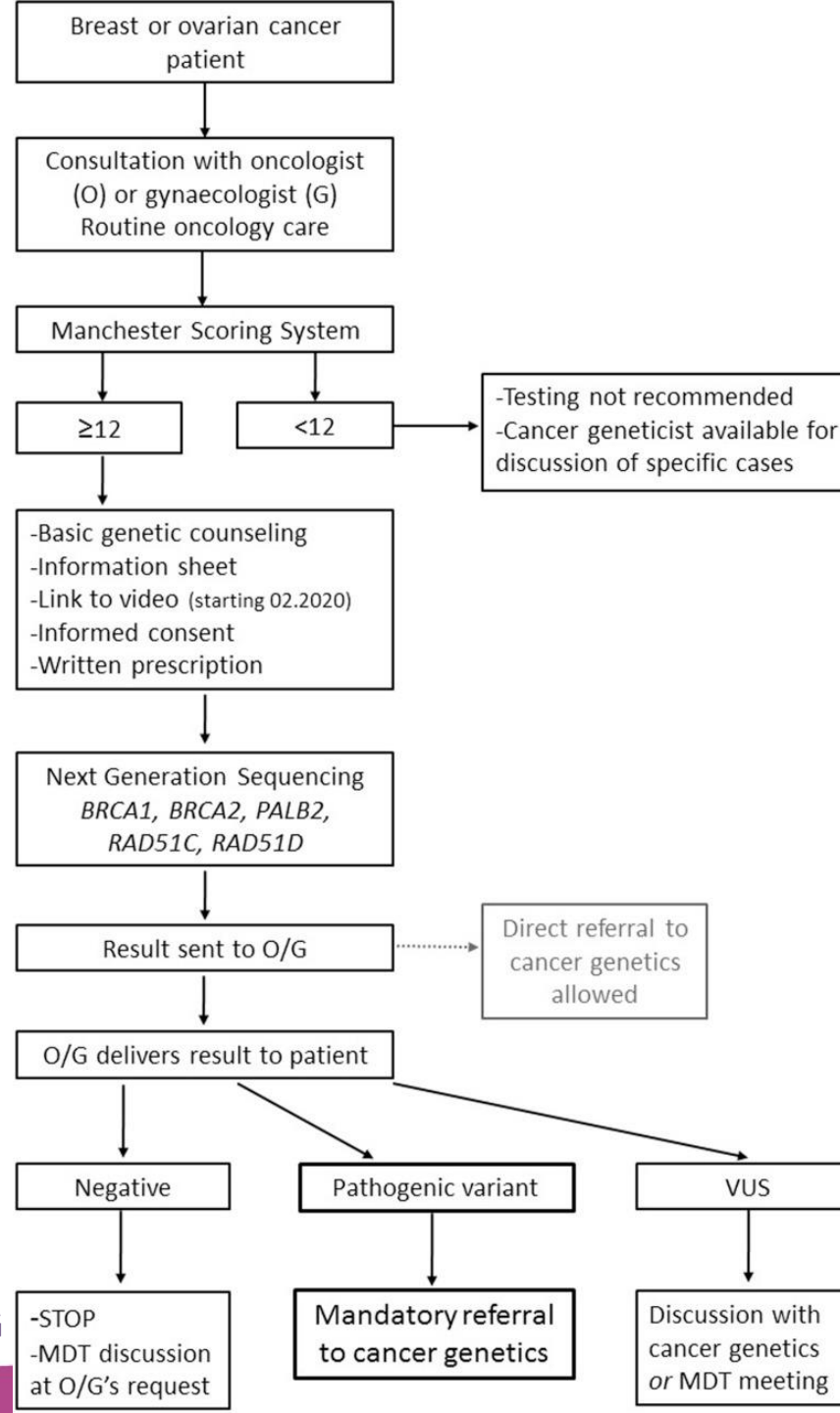
- Mainly implemented in the ovarian cancer setting (pancreatic and breast are currently being implemented)
- Similar rates of PV detection in OC
- Facilitate the therapeutic discussion of the germline test
- Uptake of cascade testing was significantly lower compared to the traditional approach (when no genetic counseling)

# Mainstreaming model

*Vall d'Hebron University Hospital experience*







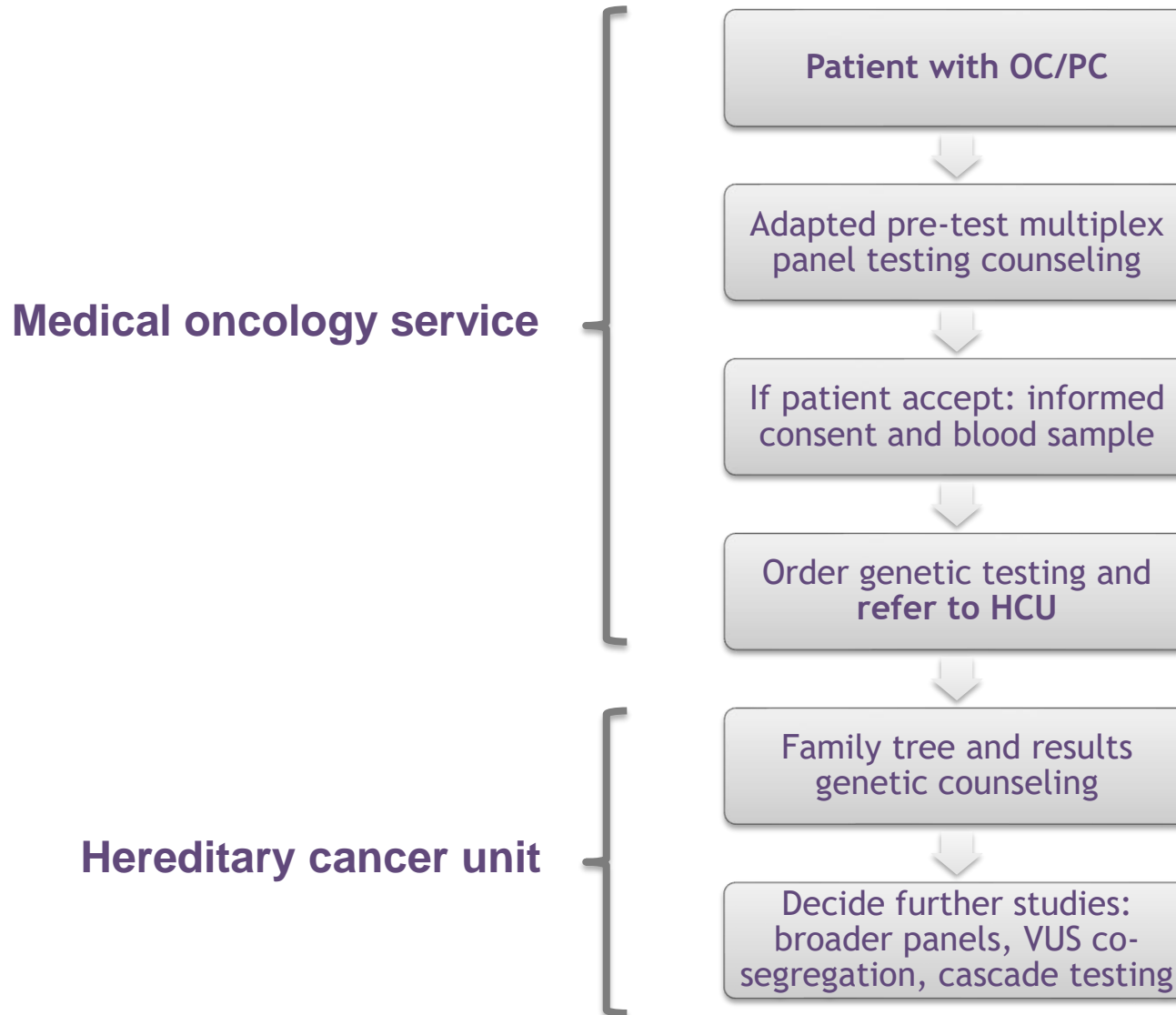
### Utility of a mainstreamed genetic testing pathway in breast and ovarian cancer patients during the COVID-19 pandemic

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	Ovarian cancer MS	Pancreatic MS
<b>Date of MS implementation</b>	December 2019	February 2021
<b>Genetic tests ordered by medical oncologist</b>	35 ovarian cancer panel testing	12 pancreatic cancer panel testing
<b>Patients with PV</b>	7 PV (2 BRCA2, 2 BRCA1, 1 MSH6, 2 RAD51C genes)	None (6 pending results)
<b>Patients with broader genetic testing once assessed by HCU</b>	2	NA

# Mainstreaming model

## *Medical oncologist perspective*

- Streamline the medical decision process
- They feel comfortable when discussing this topic with patients
- They spent up to 5 minutes of the visit to the germline test
- They ask for a web page for patients with information about hereditary cancer and panel testing (they do not always use the sheet)

# Mainstreaming model

## *Considerations when implementing mainstreaming model to the clinics*

- Multidisciplinary meeting (medical oncologists, genetic counsellors, clinical geneticist, laboratory geneticist)
- Discuss the informed consent and the essential information to be approached in the consultation
- Provide helpful material for patients (i.e. sheet)
- Decide the model of results delivery
  - Refer all results to HCU
  - Refer only complex results to HCU



## Take home messages

- Patients' acceptance of non-in-person visits were higher during the COVID-19 lockdown
- Before the pandemic, videoconference visits were more accepted than telephone visits
- Younger age was a predictor of acceptance to non-in-person visits in all scenarios
- Personality traits (neuroticism and conscientiousness) influence the decision-making process of accepting non-in-person visits
- Health care providers prefer in-person visits for complex scenarios (pre-test and positive results) and non-in-person for negative results
- Mainstreaming delivery model allows a rapid medical-decision making, and is similar to traditional approach especially when supervised by hereditary cancer clinics

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