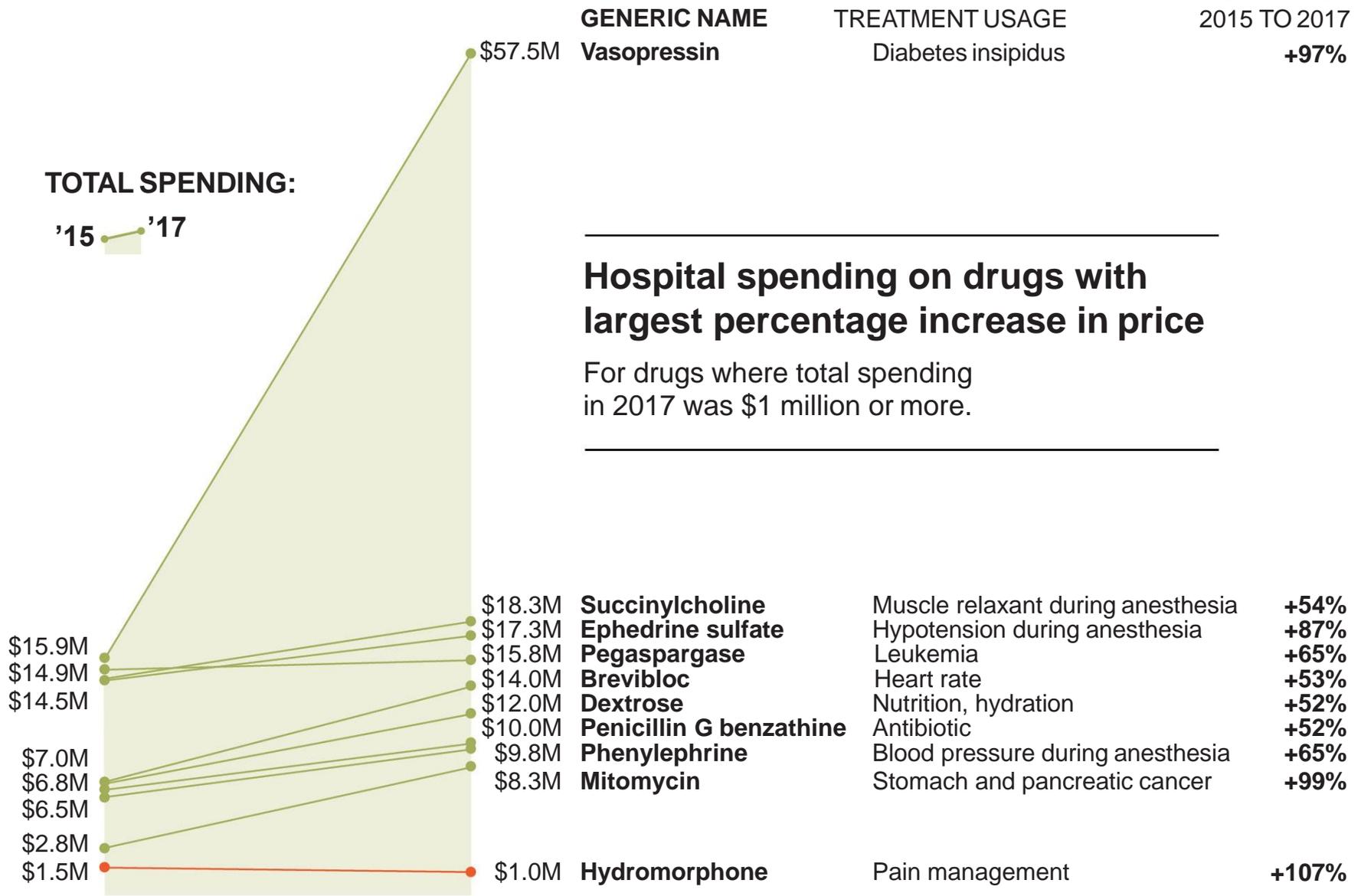


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Hospital Spending on High-Priced Drugs

A new study by the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago analyzed prescription drug prices and how much hospitals and health systems spend to provide them to patients. The research found that many drugs purchased and critical for patient care experienced large percentage increases in prices between calendar years 2015 and 2017.

Sources: NORC at the University of Chicago January 2019 report "Recent Trends in Hospital Drug Spending and Manufacturer Shortages," U.S. National Library of Medicine

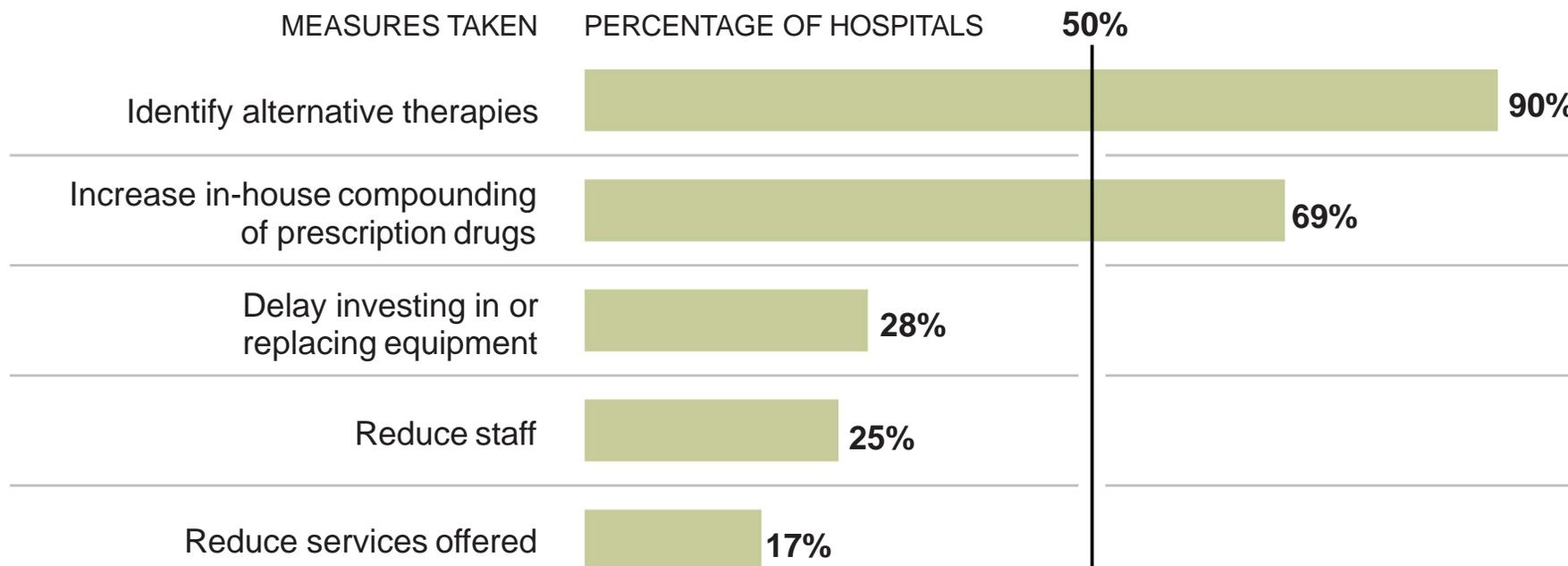


Hospital spending on drugs with largest percentage increase in price

For drugs where total spending in 2017 was \$1 million or more.

Measures taken by hospitals to mitigate drug price increases

Responses of 1,184 hospitals surveyed between April and June 2018 by the Drug Survey sponsored by the AHA, FAH and ASHP.



METHODOLOGY: NORC obtained data on total spending and average price per unit for a selected set of drugs, from calendar year 2015 to 2017 from two group purchasing organizations who represent over 1,800 community hospitals — non-federal, short-term general and other specialty hospitals accessible to the general public.

Data from the two GPOs were combined based on the drugs' generic name and all National Drug Codes associated with a drug were given equal weight in the calculation of the average per-unit drug price. Spending numbers reflect only hospital drug purchases that were made through the GPO.