



Diabetic complications
/Hypoglycemic Disorders (
Insulinomas)

complications

- **Acute:**
- 1. Diabetic Ketoacidosis
- 2. Hyperglycemic Hyperosmolar state
- 3. Hypoglycemia: (patients under treatment)

- Diabetic Ketoacidosis and
Hyperosmolar Hyperglycemic
State

EPIDEMIOLOGY

- DKA: Type1 DM
- T2DM: serious infection, trauma, CV events
- DKA is more common in younger (<65 years) diabetic patients and F>M

- Poor prognostic signs:
 - extremes of age
 - coma
 - hypotension
- **HHS :**
 - older than 65 yrs with type 2 DM .
 - Mortality is higher: 5 -20 %

PATHOGENESIS

- **Insulin** deficiency and/or resistance.
- **Glucagon** excess: lack of insulin suppression
- -increased **catecholamines** and **cortisol** contribute

Insulin actions

1. diminish hepatic glucose production
2. increase glucose uptake by skeletal muscle and adipose tissue.
3. Inhibition of glucagon secretion
4. Inhibits lipolysis

Precipitating factors

- Infections (pneumonia, gastroenteritis, and UTI 40 - 50 %)
- pancreatitis, AMI, stroke, trauma, and alcohol and drug abuse
- The omission of insulin in the setting of an acute illness.

hyperglycemia

- HHS usu > 1000 mg/dL
- DKA usu < 800 mg/dL

- DKA often present early with symptoms
- DKA pts tend to be young with better GFR

Hyperglycemia

- Impaired glucose uptake in peripheral tissues and skeletal muscles
- Increased gluconeogenesis
- Increased glycogenolysis

Ketoacidosis

- Insulin deficiency and increased cca
 - enhance lipolysis, and liver FFA delivery
 - normally it will convert FFA into TG

Acetoacetic acid is formed then reduced to **B-OH-butyric acid** or decarboxylated to **acetone**.

- KA synthesis requires Free Fatty acyl CoA entry to mitochondria which is regulated by carnitine palmitoyl transferase I (CPT I)
- Glucagon increases CPT I activity and ketogenesis

Absence of Ketosis in HHS

- Insulin required to suppress lipolysis is 10% of that required to suppress hyperglycemia
- Sufficient insulin in HHS to block lipolysis (and ketogenesis) but not enough to promote glucose utilization

CLINICAL PRESENTATION

- DKA usually evolves rapidly / 24 hr
- HHS presents over several days
- ? lethargy, focal signs, and obtundation, and coma
- Neurological symptoms are most common in HHS
- Hyperventilation and abdominal pain are **limited** to DKA.

Neurologic symptoms and plasma osmolality

- Neurologic deterioration occurs if effective p. osmolality $> 320 - 330$ mosmol/kg .
- Mental obtundation and coma are more frequent in HHS
- HHS may have focal neurologic signs (hemiparesis or hemianopsia) and/or seizures .

- Effective Posm = $[2 \times \text{Na (meq/L)}] + [\text{glucose (mg/dL)} \div 18]$
- Effective Posm = Measured Posm - $[\text{BUN (mg/dL)} \div 28]$

Abdominal pain in DKA

- abdominal pain more common in children
- Abdominal pain is unusual in HHS
- 46 % of patients with DKA have abdominal pain

Abd pain

- associated with metabolic acidosis:
 - 86 % ($\text{HCO}_3^- < 5$)
 - 13 % ($\text{HCO}_3^- > 15$)
- does not correlate with the severity of hyperglycemia
- Due to delayed gastric emptying and ileus (**metabolic acidosis and electrolyte imbalance**)

Physical examination

- Signs of volume depletion
- Neurologic findings (HHS)
- fruity odor
- compensatory hyperventilation (Kaussmaul respirations).
- Fever is rare

Diagnostic criteria for (DKA) and (HHS)

DKA

HHS

	Mild	Moderate	Severe	
• Plasma glucose (mg/dL)	>250	>250	>250	>600
• Arterial pH	7.25-7.30	7.00-7.24	<7.00	>7.30
• Serum bicarbonate (mEq/L)	15-18	10 - <15	<10	>18
• Urine ketones* Small	Positive	Positive	Positive	
• Serum ketones* Small	Positive	Positive	Positive	
• Effective s. osm. (mOsm/kg)•	Variable	Variable	Variable	>320
• Anion gap Δ	>10	>12	>12	Variable
• Mental status	Alert	Alert/drowsy		Stupor/coma

- • Calculation: $2[\text{measured Na (mEq/L)}] + \text{glucose (mg/dL)}/18$.
- Δ Calculation: $(\text{Na}^+) - (\text{Cl}^- + \text{HCO}_3^-)$ (mEq/L).

Management -DKA

- 1. Underlying cause
- 2. IV Fluids
- 3. Insulin Therapy
- 4. Electrolyte management
- 5. ? Bicarbonate Therapy

IVF

- 1-2 L Normal Saline Solution initial bolus
- Initially NSS @10-15 ml/Kg for 4-6 hours
- Then ½ NSS @ 4-10 ml Kg
- Switch to D5 ½ NSS when BG is <200 mg/dl (DKA) or < 250-300 mg/dl (HHS)

Insulin

- 0.1 IU/Kg regular insulin iv bolus
- 0.1 IU/Kg/hr iv insulin infusion
- Continue iv insulin until DKA/HHS has resolved
- Start sc insulin once pt start oral feeding

Electrolytes --- K

- If initial K:
 - a. < 5.3 mmol/L add KCL once urine output > 50 ml/hr
 - b. > 5.3 mmol/L wait on K supplement
 - c. < 3.3 mmol/L add KCL and hold IV insulin

PO₄

indicated in:

1. cardiac dysfunction
2. hemolytic anemia
3. respiratory depression
4. S. phosphate < 1.0 mg/dL (0.32 mmol/L)

20 - 30 meq/L of KPO₄ can be added to IVF

Bicarbonate Therapy

-selected patients only :

1. Arterial pH less <7.00 with decreased cardiac contractility
2. severe hyperkalemia
3. Arterial pH < 6.90

100 meq of NaHCO₃ in 400 mL sterile water
with 20 meq of KCL if the s K < 5.3 meq/L **over
2 hours.**

- Repeat until the pH rises > 7.00

DKA/HHS resolution

The HHS is resolved when :

1. mentally alert and able to eat
2. p effective osm is < 315 mosmol/kg.
3. S glucose 250-300 mg/dl

The ADA guidelines for (DKA) resolution:

1. S glucose below 200 mg/dL
2. S anion gap < 12 meq/L
3. S HCO₃ ≥ 18 meq/L
4. PH > 7.30

DKA/Complication

- Cerebral edema: a **disease of children** and almost all affected < age 20 yrs
- Symptoms begin within 12-24 hrs of the initiation of treatment

Cerebral edema

- HA followed by lethargy.
- Neurologic deterioration may be rapid, with seizures, incontinence, pupillary changes, bradycardia, and respiratory arrest.
- These symptoms progress if brainstem herniation occurs.
- mortality rate of 20 - 40 % .

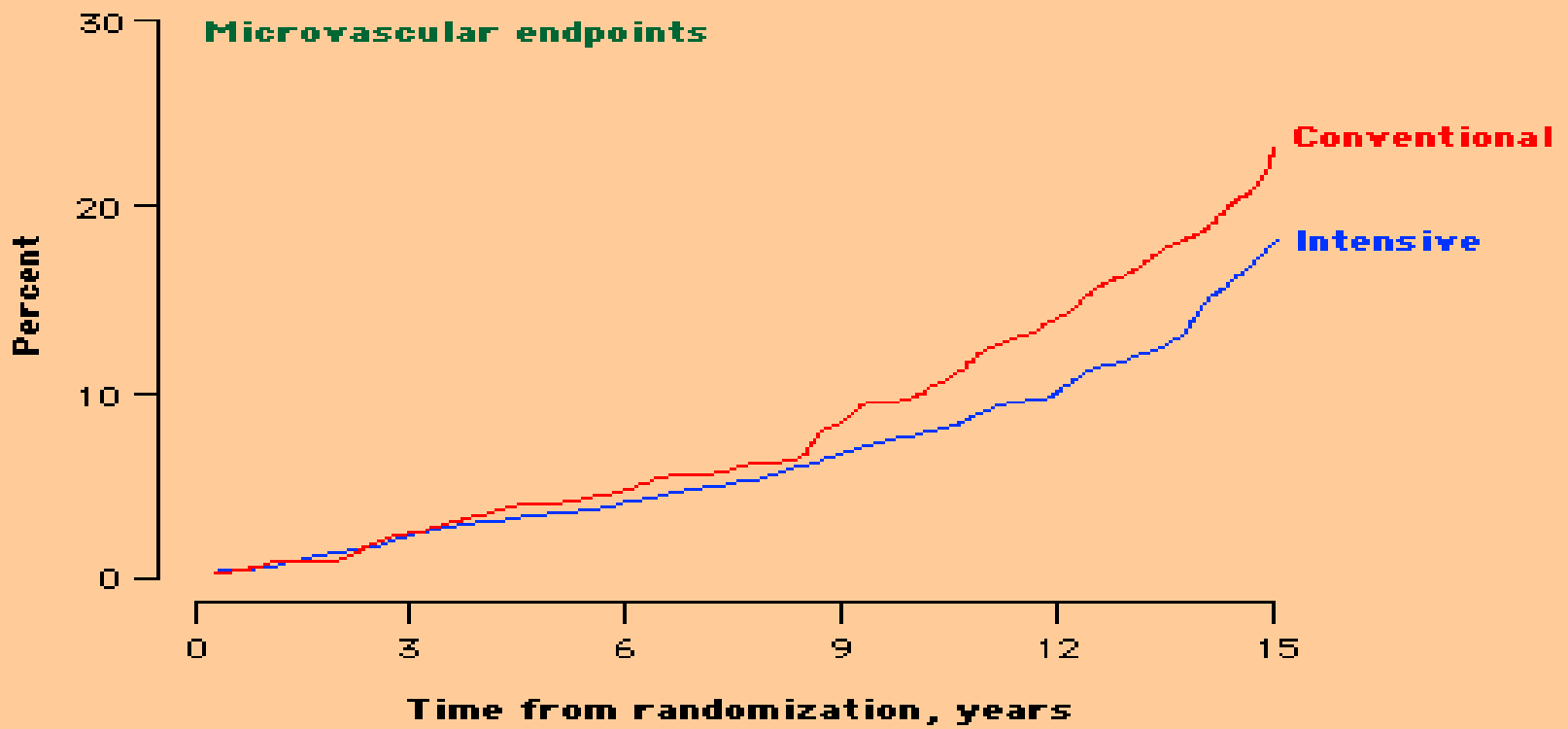
Cerebral edema

- Recommendations for treatment:
- - ? benefit from prompt administration of mannitol (0.25 - 1.0 g/kg) and from hypertonic (3 %) saline (5 - 10 mL/kg / 30 min) .

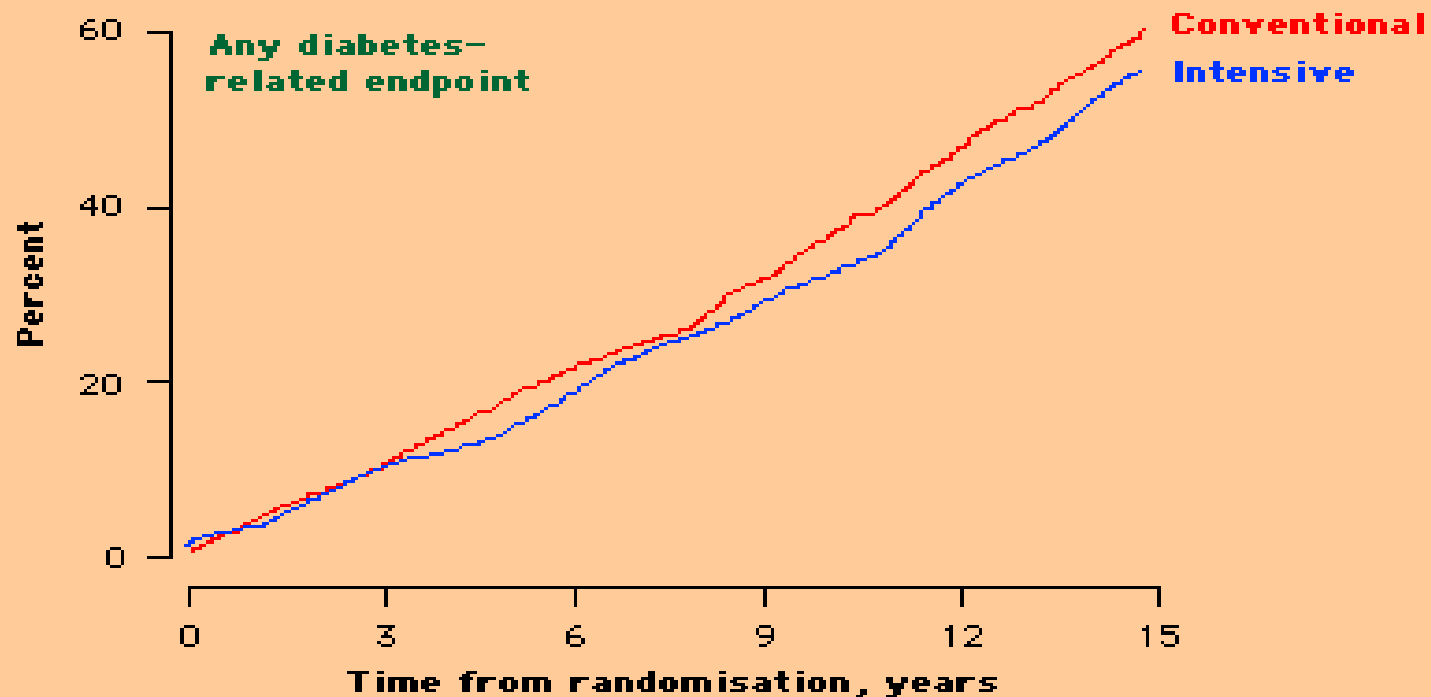


Chronic Complications

- Chronic:
 1. microvascular:
 - retinopathy
 - nephropathy
 - neuropathy
 2. macrovascular:
 - coronary ischemia / Stroke
 - PVD



Intensive glycemic control prevents microvascular disease in patients with type 2 diabetes Kaplan-Meier plots of aggregate endpoints of microvascular disease in patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus in the United Kingdom Prospective Diabetes Study who were randomly assigned to receive either intensive therapy with a sulfonylurea or insulin or to conventional treatment with diet; drugs were added if the patients had hyperglycemic symptoms or fasting blood glucose concentrations greater than 270 mg/dL (15 mmol/L). Intensive therapy was associated with a 25 percent reduction ($P = 0.01$) in the development of microvascular disease, which was defined as renal failure, death from renal failure, retinal photocoagulation, or vitreous hemorrhage. (Data from UK Prospective Diabetes Study, *Lancet* 1998; 352:837.)



Conventional at risk:	1010	847	524	204	47
Intensive at risk:	2447	2087	1308	558	110

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Nephropathy

- Urinary albumin excretion
- Normal: < 30 mg /24hrs
- Microalbuminuria 30-300 mg/24 hrs
- Macroalbuminuria >300 mg/24 hrs

classification of chronic kidney disease by stage as determined by (NHANES) performed in 1999 to 2004 :

- Stage 1 disease : normal GFR (**> 90 mL/min** per 1.73 m²) and **persistent albuminuria**
- Stage 2 disease : **GFR between 60 - 89 mL/min** per 1.73 m² and **persistent albuminuria**
- Stage 3 disease : **GFR between 30 - 59 mL/min** per 1.73 m²
- Stage 4 disease : **GFR between 15 - 29 mL/min** per 1.73 m²
- Stage 5 disease : **GFR of less than 15 mL/min** per 1.73 m² or **end-stage renal disease**

Nephropathy T1DM

Type 1 diabetes :

- microalbuminuria:

 - 20 - 30 % after a mean duration of 15 yrs

- ESRD : 4-17 % at 20 yrs

 - 16 % at 30 yrs

Type 2DM- nephropathy

UKPDS :

10 yrs after diagnosis:

- microalbuminuria 25%
- macroalbuminuria 5%
- elevated Cr (> 2.0 mg/dL) / ESRD: 0.8 %

- **Annual rate of progression**
 - Dx to microalbuminuria: 2.0%
 - microalbum to macroalbuminuria: 2.8%
 - macroalbum to high Cr or ESRD: 2.3 %.
- If elevated plasma creatinine (≥ 2.0 mg/dL): renal replacement Rx was required after a median period of only 2.5 yrs

DM-nephropathy management

T1DM :

screened yearly (after 5 yrs)

Urine alb/Cr ratio (ACR) is recommended.

Measurement of the s. creatinine and eGFR

Elevated ACR should be confirmed 2- 3 samples / several months

- strict glycemic, BP, and lipid control.

- Angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitor if BP > 140/80 mmHg
- If BP < 140/80 wait on ACE inhibitor
- Alb/Cr ratio: Q 6-12 months
- ACE -I if clear increase in ACR and/or BP
- clinically evident renal disease : ACEI or ARB (angiotensin receptor blocker) even if BP < 140/80 mmHg

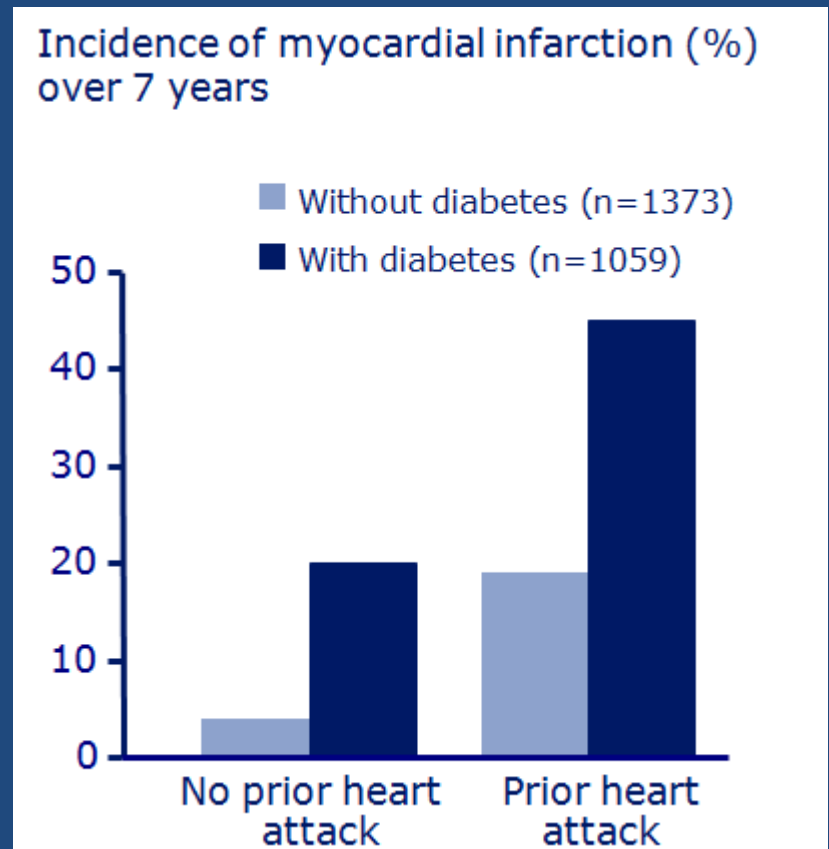
Type 2 diabetes

- microalbuminuria : increased risk of CVD
- without aggressive intervention:
 - overt proteinuria to ESRD** in either form of diabetes averages 6-7 yrs

- The optimal initial Rx of nephropathy in T2DM is (ACE-I or ARB)
- Combined ACE I+ ARBs: **increased mortality**
- **SGLT2 Inhibitors**

Patients with type 2 diabetes are at increased risk of cardiovascular disease

- In this study, the risk of cardiovascular disease was greater in patients with diabetes than in those without ($p < 0.001$)¹
- Up to 80% of people with diabetes will die from cardiovascular disease²
- Cardiovascular deaths are potentially preventable if action is taken to address the known risk factors



Macrovascular risk

Near-normal glycemic control (A1C 6.4- 6.9%)
does not reduce cardiovascular events in
patients **with longstanding diabetes**

Macrovascular complications prevention

- glycemic control
- stop smoking
- BP control
- treatment of dyslipidemia
- secondary prevention: daily aspirin

Diabetic Neuropathy

- symm sensory affecting distal lower limbs
- 10- 18 % at dx
- "stocking-glove" sensory loss
- Motor involvement only later and in more severe cases.

Symptoms and signs

- Loss of vibration sense and proprioception reflect large-fiber loss
- Impairment of pain, light touch and temperature reflects loss of small fibers.

Decreased or absent ankle reflexes occur early in the disease

Symptoms

- pre-DM may present with intensely painful feet.
- Patients with frank diabetic neuropathy may present with pain, paresthesias

Neuropathy

Foot ulcers

- **acute** (dermal abrasion from poorly fitting shoes)
- **chronic** plantar ulcers occurring over weight-bearing areas.

(diabetic neuropathy, autonomic dysfunction and vascular insufficiency)

Treatment of diabetic neuropathy

- The most important method for the **prevention** is optimal glucose control.
- **reduced by 60 % over a 10-yr period with blood glucose control in pts with T1DM**

PAIN CONTROL

Consensus guidelines in 2006:

- First-tier agents: tricyclics as a class, duloxetine, pregabalin, and controlled-release oxycodone
- Second tier agents: carbamazepine, gabapentin, tramadol, and extended-release venlafaxine
- Topical therapies: capsaicin and lidocaine



Hypoglycemia

- With insulin or insulin secretagogues Rx.
- Higher risk:
 - type I compared to type II.
 - tight/near normal glycemic control
 - hypoglycemia unawareness
- Severe prolonged hypoglycemia can lead to permanent neurological deficit

hypoglycemia

- Management
- -Mild-moderate: self, oral glucose (15-20 gm)
- -Severe : needs help by others, IV glucose, glucagon injection

Hypoglycemic disorders

- Whipple's Triad
- ILL- looking patients or seemingly well-looking patients.

Causes of hypoglycemia in adults

Ill or medicated individual

- 1. Drugs
 - Insulin or insulin secretagogue
 - Alcohol
- 2. Critical illnesses
 - Hepatic, renal, or cardiac failure
 - Sepsis (including malaria)
 - Inanition
- 3. Hormone deficiency
 - Cortisol
 - Glucagon and epinephrine (in insulin-deficient diabetes mellitus)
- 4. Nonislet cell tumor

Seemingly well individual

5. Endogenous hyperinsulinism

Insulinoma

Functional β -cell disorders (nesidioblastosis)

- Noninsulinoma pancreatogenous hypoglycemia

- Post gastric bypass hypoglycemia

Insulin autoimmune hypoglycemia

Antibody to insulin

Antibody to insulin receptor

Insulin secretagogue

6. Accidental, surreptitious, or malicious hypoglycemia

72-hour Fasting test

Protocol

- Discontinue all nonessential medications.
 - may drink calorie-free drinks
 - patient is active during waking hours.
- Insulin abs and sulfonylurea level done irrespective of BG

Test end points and duration

- plasma glucose ≤ 45 mg/dL
- symptoms or signs of hypoglycemia
- 72 hours have elapsed
- when the plasma glucose < 55 mg/dL if Whipple's triad was documented previously

72 hour fast---Interpretation

S+S / Gluc / Insulin / C-pep / OHA / Ab + / Dx
 mg/dl / miU/L / ng/ml / /insulin/

N / <55/	<3 /	<0.6 /	N /	N /	Normal
Y / <55/	>>3 /	<0.6 /	N /	N /	Exog insulin
Y / <55/	≥3 /	≥0.6 /	N /	N /	Insulinoma, NIPHS, PGBH
Y / <55/	≥3 /	≥0.6 /	Y /	N /	OHA
Y / <55/	>>3 /	>>0.6 /	N /	P /	Insulin autoim.
Y / <55/	<3 /	<0.6 /	N /	N /	IGF•-mediated
Y / <55/	<3 /	<0.6 /	N /	N /	Not insulin / IGF -mediated

LOCALIZING STUDIES

If **endogenous insulin-mediated hypoglycemia**, the differential includes

- **insulinoma,**
- **nesidioblastosis/islet cell hypertrophy,**
- **OHA - induced hypoglycemia**
- **insulin autoimmune hypoglycemia**

Negative circulating OHA and insulin ab's effectively rule out the last two.

A localizing study in all pts with insulin-mediated hypoglycemia, except if + insulin abs or OHA

Radiologic studies

CT, MRI, and transabdominal u/s can detect most insulinomas

- If an insulinoma is not visible with initial imaging:
 - endoscopic u/s or selective arterial calcium stimulation, are required**

Arterial calcium stimulation

Only if negative radiologic localization studies.

- selective injection of Ca gluconate into the **gastroduodenal, splenic, and SMA** with sampling of the hepatic venous effluent for insulin
- A positive result is a **doubling or tripling** of basal insulin concentrations.

- **insulinoma: positive in one artery**
- **islet cell hypertrophy: positive in multiple arteries**

Insulinoma

CLINICAL FEATURES :

- fasting hypoglycemia is the most common feature
- postprandial hypoglycemia is seen due to reduced hepatic glucose output

Insulinomas arise from the ductular/acinar system rather than from islet cells .

? Variant of insulin mRNA with increased translation efficiency is present in high amounts in insulinomas when compared to normal islet

Mayo Clinic Series

Distribution of cases by age and sex :

Observed from 1987 – 2007

- 237 patients,
- median age was 50 years (range 17 to 86),
- 57 % : women .

Symptoms

- **Neuroglycopenic** : confusion, visual change
- **Sympathoadrenal** : palpitations, diaphoresis, and tremors
- Median duration of symptoms < 1.5 years
- 20 % misdiagnosed with a neurologic or psychiatric disorder.
- Seizure disorder is a common misdiagnosis

- Weight gain in 18 % of patients .
- Fasting hypoglycemia 73 %,
- both fasting and postprandial symptoms 21%
- **only postprandial symptoms 6% .**

MEN1 Prevalence

- MEN1 : Among the 237 pts (Mayo Clinic):
- 14 (6 %) had MEN-1, (71 % were men)
- 13 of 14 (93 %) had benign insulinomas.
- 12 of 14 (86 %) had multiple tumors compared with 3 % in the rest of the cohort.

Tumor distribution

- 194 (87 %) had single benign tumors
- 16 (7 %) had multiple benign tumors
- 13 (6 %) had malignant insulinomas, defined as the presence of metastases
- One had islet hyperplasia

management

- Surgery : primary therapy
- Medical :
 1. Diazoxide: first line, S/E: edema, hirsutism
 2. Octreotide : Somatostatin analogues, also inhibits also GH ,TSH
 3. Verapamil (CCB): limited success
 4. Phenytoin: limited success
 5. Everolimus: refractory cases, experimental
- XRT/Chemotherapy: limited use (only for malignant insulinoma).

- THANK YOU

Michigan neuropathy screening score

- Do the feet show **dry skin, callus, fissure, infection or deformities**? The presence of any, is scored as 1 point and an additional point is added if an ulcer is present.
- What is the vibration sense on the dorsum of the great toes? — reduced (0.5 points); or absent (1 point).
- What is the Achilles tendon reflex? — absent (1 point)

A score greater than 2 indicated neuropathy with both a high specificity (95 %) and sensitivity (80 %).

DIABETIC RETINOPATHY

Classification of diabetic retinopathy

1. Nonproliferative Diabetic Retinopathy (NPDR)

a-Mild NPDR:

At least one microaneurysm

b-Moderate NPDR:

-Hemorrhage/microaneurysm .

-Soft exudates

c. Severe NPDR:

- Hemorrhage/microaneurysm \geq standard in all 4 quadrants

- Venous beading in at least two quadrants

d. Very severe NPDR:

Any two or more of criteria for severe NPDR

- **2. Proliferative Diabetic Retinopathy (PDR)**
 - A. Early PDR:**
 - B. High-risk PDR:**
 - Neovascularization of the disk**
 - Neovascularization of the disk and vitreous or preretinal hemorrhage**
 - C. Severe PDR:**
 - Center of macula detached**
 - Clinically Significant Macular Edema (CSME)**
 - Hard exudates and adjacent retinal thickening $\leq 500\mu\text{m}$ from macular center**