
Typing diabetes mellitus

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ADA classification

1. Type 1 diabetes (β -cell destruction, leading to absolute insulin deficiency)
 1. Immune mediated
 2. Idiopathic
2. Type 2 diabetes (from insulin resistance with relative insulin deficiency to predominantly secretory defect with insulin resistance)
3. Others specific diabetes
 1. Genetic defects of β -cell function
 2. Genetic defects in insulin action
 3. Diseases of the exocrine pancreas
 4. Endocrinopathies (acromegaly, cushing's syndrome, hyperthyroidism, ...)
 5. Drugs- or chemical-induced
 6. Infections (congenital rubella, cytomegalovirus, ...)
 7. Uncommon forms of immune-mediated diabetes
 8. Other genetic syndromes sometimes associated with diabetes
4. Gestational diabetes mellitus (GDM)

Useful parameters for classification of a diabetes

- ❖ Familial history
 - ❖ Personal history and co-existing diseases
 - ❖ History of the diabetes mellitus
 - ❖ History of treatment of the DM
 - ❖ Clinical examination: *weight, BMI, waist circumference*
 - ❖ Biology: *glycaemia at admission, HbA_{1c}, C-peptide, ketosis, lipids, antibodies*
 - ❖ HOMA test: *β function, insulin sensitivity, hyperbolic product*
 - ❖ Anti GAD, IA2 antibodies, other Abs
 - ❖ Evolution
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Clinical case 1

Ms. AV, 39 yrs

❖ Personal history : -

❖ Familial history: -

❖ Treatment : -

❖ History of the DM :

Symptoms ++ since 1 month

Weight loss 10 kg

Visual problems (accomodation) +

Fatigue ++

Ms. AV, 39 yrs

❖ Clinical examination:

56 kg, 1m73, BMI 18.7 kg/m²

❖ Biology :

Glycaemia	mg/dl	304
HbA ₁ C	%	15
ketonuria		++
c-peptide	pmol/ml	0.15
Cholesterol total	mg/dl	230
LDL-cholesterol	mg/dl	169
HDL-cholesterol	mg/dl	39
Triglycerides	mg/dl	110
Ab TPO, Tg		-

Ms. AV, 39 yrs

❖ HOMA Test :

		0'	5'	10'
Glucose	mg/dl	267	262	260
Insulin	μ U/ml	3	4	3

β Cell function : 8.3 %

Sensitivity : 122 %

Hyperbolic product : 10 %

Antibodies : GAD + (87.6 U/ml), IA2 + (2.93 U/ml)

→ Type 1 diabetes

Clinical case 2 Mr. HO, 41 yrs

- ❖ Personal history :
Hypertension
 - ❖ Familial history :
diabetes in the mother's family
 - ❖ Treatment :
Aldactazine
 - ❖ History of the DM :
Symptoms ++ since 6 months
Weight loss 4 kg
Visual problems (accommodation) +
Fatigue ++
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Mr. HO, 41 yrs

❖ Clinical examination :

87 kg, 1m74, BMI 28.7 kg/m², waist 104 cm

❖ Biology :

Glycaemia	mg/dl	367
HbA _{1c}	%	10.8
ketonuria		+
c-peptide	pmol/ml	0.56
Cholesterol total	mg/dl	195
LDL-cholesterol	mg/dl	156
HDL-cholesterol	mg/dl	39
Triglycerides	mg/dl	349
Ab TPO, Tg		-

Mr. HO, 41 yrs

❖ HOMA Test :

		0'	5'	10'
Glucose	mg/dl	212	214	212
Insulin	μ U/ml	11	12	10

β Cell function : 33 %

Sensitivity : 38 %

B x S : 13 %

Antibodies : GAD -, IA2 -
→ Type 2 diabetes (insulinopenic)

Clinical case 3 Mr. OP, 28 yrs

- ❖ Personal history : -
 - ❖ Familial history : -
 - ❖ Treatment : -
 - ❖ History of the DM :
Symptoms ++ since 2 months
Weight loss 12 kg
But previous weight gain of 30 kg in 6 years
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Mr. OP, 28 yrs

❖ Clinical examination :

94 kg (- 12kg), 1m86, BMI 27.2 kg/m², Tour de taille 104 cm

❖ Biology :

Glycaemia	mg/dl	322
HbA ₁ C	%	12.6
ketonuria		+++
c-peptide	pmol/ml	0.17
Cholesterol total	mg/dl	142
LDL-cholesterol	mg/dl	64
HDL-cholesterol	mg/dl	34
Triglycerides	mg/dl	220

Mr. OP, 28 yrs

❖ HOMA Test :

		0'	5'	10'
Glucose	mg/dl	277	274	275
Insulin	μ U/ml	4	4	4

β cell function : 9.8 %

Sensitivity : 86.4 %

B X S : **8.5** %

Antibodies : **GAD + (16 U/ml), IA2 + (4.4 U/ml)**

→ type 1 diabetes

Clinical case 4 Mrs. AM, 55 yrs

- ❖ Personal history :
Hypothyroidism
 - ❖ Familial history : -
 - ❖ Treatment :
L-T4
 - ❖ History of the DM :
June 2005 : mycosis, no weight loss (58 kg, 1m55), Glycaemia 200 mg/dl, HbA₁C 10.5 %, R/ Metformin ⇒ 6.5 %
August 2006 : HbA₁C 8.8 %, R/ + Gliclazide
June 2007 : HbA₁c 8.1%
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Mrs. AM, 55 yrs

❖ Clinical examination :

59 kg, 1m55, BMI 24.5 kg/m²

❖ Biology :

Glycaemia	mg/dl	128
HbA ₁ C	%	8.1
Insulin	μU/ml	< 3
c-peptide	pmol/ml	0.41
Cholesterol total	mg/dl	217
LDL-cholesterol	mg/dl	159
HDL-cholesterol	mg/dl	44
Triglycerides	mg/dl	69
Ab TPO, Tg		+

Mrs. AM, 55 yrs

❖ Test HOMA:

		0'	5'	10'
Glucose	mg/dl	128	129	128
Insulin	μ U/ml	3	< 3	3

β cell function : 27.9 %

Sensitivity: 197.8 %

B X S : **55** %

Antibodies : **GAD + (38.2 U/ml)**

→ Type 1 diabetes « slow onset » or LADA

Clinical case 5 Mr. NK, 62 yrs

- ❖ Personal history :
Biliary pancreatitis in 2006 (R/ sphincterotomy)
Hypertension
Hypercholesterolemia
 - ❖ Familial history : -
 - ❖ Treatment :
Creon 5/day, Simvastatin 20mg, Nexiam 20mg
 - ❖ History of the DM :
Symptoms -
Weight : stable
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Mr. NK, 62 yrs

❖ Clinical examination :

56 kg, 1m61, BMI 21.6 kg/m², waist 80 cm

❖ Biology :

Glycaemia	mg/dl	300
HbA _{1c}	%	8.9
ketonuria		-
c-peptide	pmol/ml	0.57
Cholesterol total	mg/dl	179
LDL-cholesterol	mg/dl	106
HDL-cholesterol	mg/dl	63
Triglycerides	mg/dl	50

Mr. NK, 62 yrs

❖ Test HOMA:

		0'	5'	10'
Glucose	mg/dl	190	189	188
Insuline	μ U/ml	3	3	3

β Cell function : 13 %

Sensitivity : 180 %

B x S : **23.4** %

❖ Abdomen CT Scan: atrophy of the corpus and tail of the pancreas, pseudo-cysts, calcifications

→ **Diabetes secondary to chronic pancreatitis**

Clinical case 6 Mrs. MG, 54 yrs

- 54 year-old woman sent for
 - muscle weakness and fatigue
 - Polyuria-polydipsia
 - fasting glycaemia 273 mg/dl
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Mrs. MG, 54 yrs

□ Personal history

- Peripheral arteritis R/plavix
 - Recurrent mycosis of the GI tract
 - Sideropenic anemia (gastritis)
 - Rectal ulcers (analgesics)
 - Auto-immune hypothyroidism R/thyroxine
 - Hypercholesterolaemia
 - Chronic renal insufficiency < benign nephroangio-sclerosis
 - Chronic sinusitis since 2000
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Mrs. MG, 54 yrs

Treatment:

- Plavix
 - L-thyroxine 125 μg
 - Adalat 5mg
 - Pravastatin 10 mg
 - Befact, Folavit
 - Movicol
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1/ Confirm diabetes mellitus:

- fasting glucose - OGTT if glucose < 150
 - HOMA Test
 - HbA1c
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HOMA Test

	0'	5'	10'
Glucose (mg/dl)	155	156	161
Insulin (μ U/ml)	12	13	11

- Sensitivity : 40 %
 - β -cell function : 57 %
 - $B \times S = 23 \%$
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Mrs. MG, 54 yrs

HbA_{1c} : 8,3 % (3-6)

□ 2/ Etiology of diabetes ?

Mrs. MG, 54 yrs

□ Type 1 ? No

- Clinically no argument
- Homa test : quite good β -cell function
- Antibodies: anti GAD65 (-), IA2 (-)
- (Auto immune thyroiditis)

□ Type 2 ?

- No familial history
 - No overweight, no metabolic syndrome
 - But insulin resistance
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Other specific diabetes ?

- No sign of pancreatitis - Imaging (-)

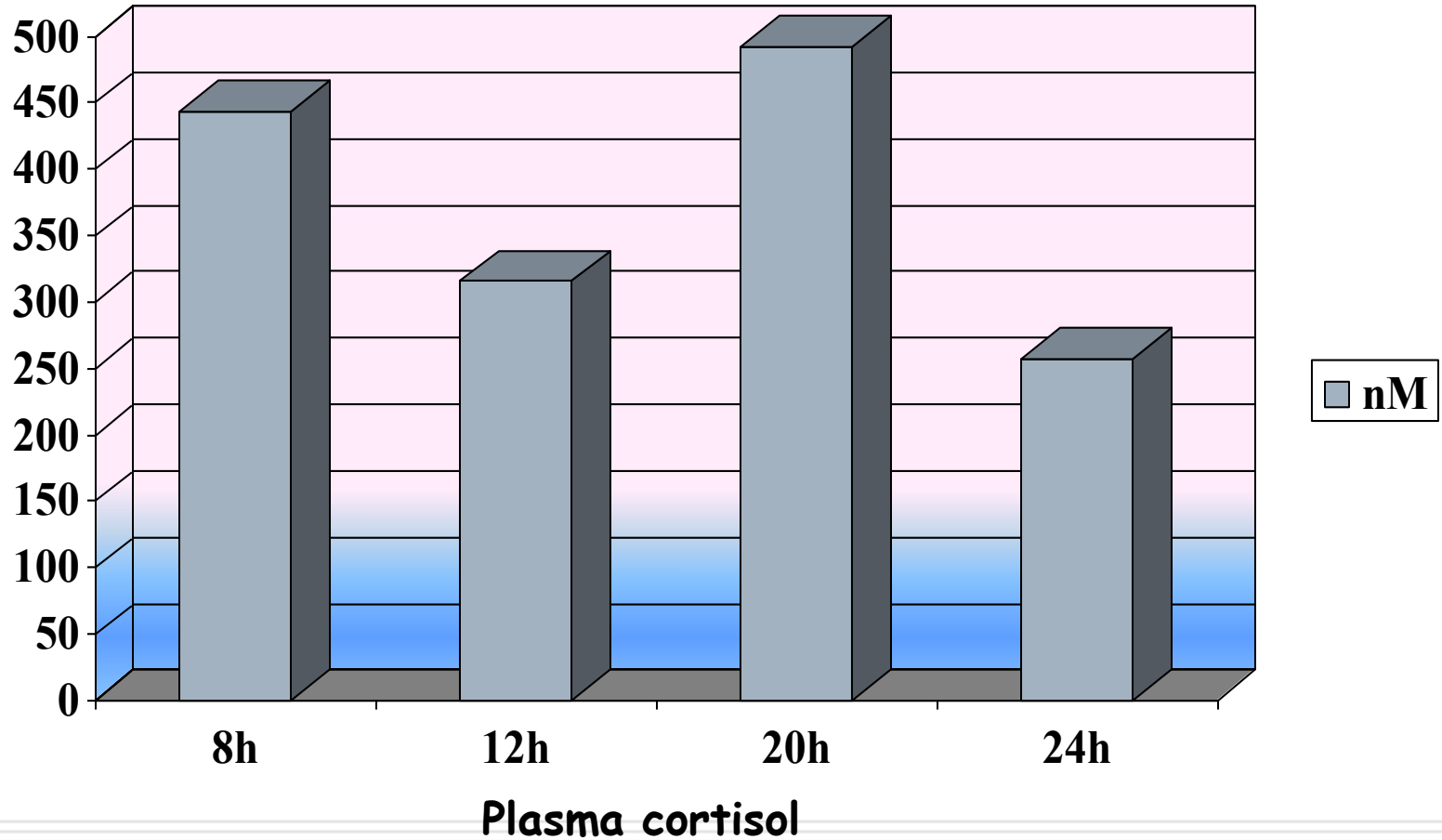
- ***Other signs and symptoms***
 - Weight gain 10 Kg in 1 yr , HTA
 - Moon face, easy bruising of the skin, ecchymoses .. (Plavix ?)
 - Mycosis and gastritis
 - General weakness
 - Leucocytosis (neutrophilic) observed since months

→ diagnosis ?

Cushing's syndrome

- What would you ask to confirm CS ?
 - 24 h - Urinary free cortisol ($< 100 \mu\text{g}$)
 - Dexamethasone suppression test (1 mg overnight or Liddle's test over 2 days)
 - Cortisol rhythm (+ ACTH)
 - If available: midnight salivary cortisol
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Cortisol rhythm



ACTH low 3-10 pg/ml (20-60)

Mrs. MG, 54 yrs

- 24 h UFC : 147 μg (nl < 100)
- Low dose dexamethasone suppression test
(4 x 0,5 mg 2 days) : no suppression !

■ Cortisol	355nM	(< 140 nmol/L)
■ ACTH	4 pg/ml	(< 20 pg/ml)
■ 24 h UFC	247 μg	(< 25 μg)

→ **CONFIRMED CUSHING'S SYNDROME**

Cushing syndrome

- What would you ask to search for aetiology ?
 - High dose dexamethasone suppression test
 - CRH test
 - Imaging (Pituitary MRI - Adrenal CT)
 - (Inferior petrosal sinus sampling?)
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MG, 54 yrs

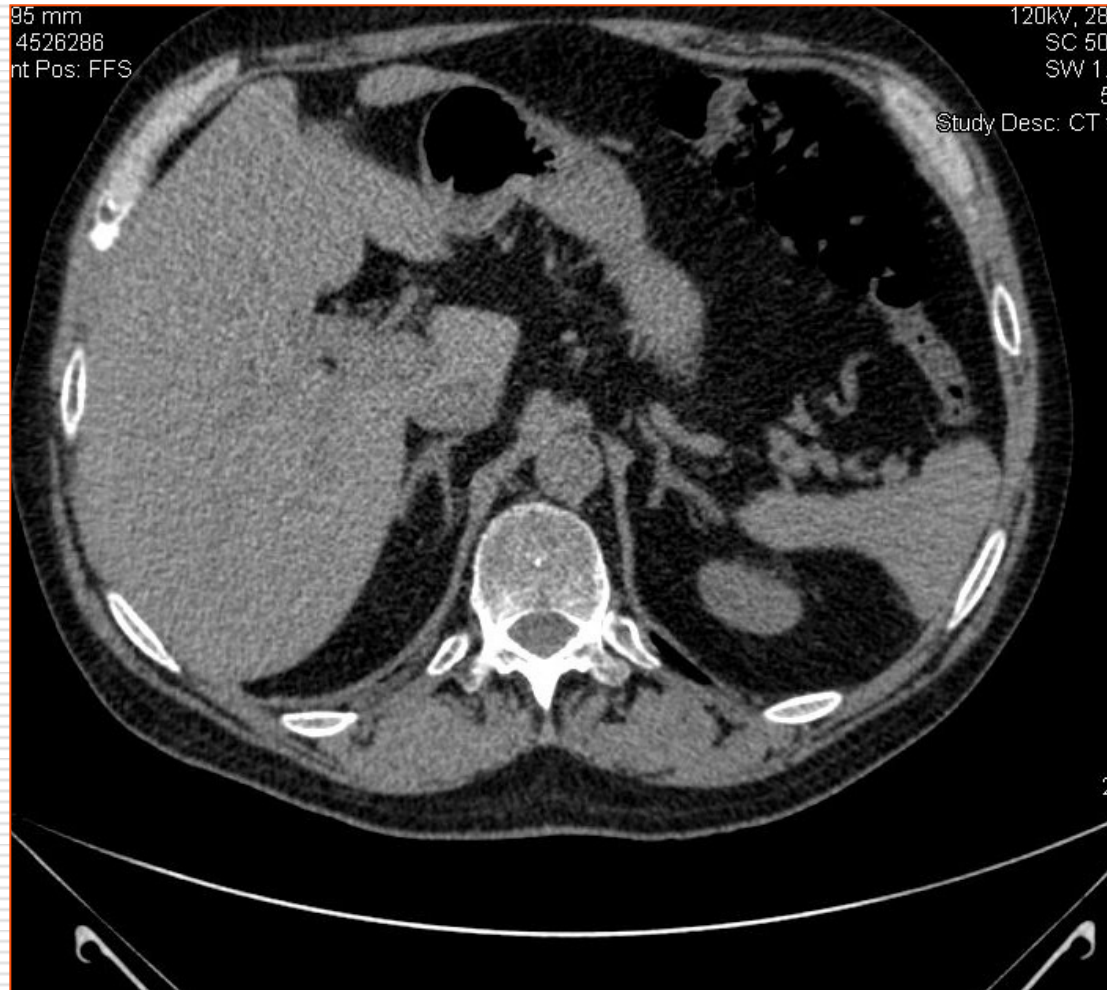
□ High dose dexamethasone suppression test
(4 x 2 mg 2 days) : no suppression !

- Cortisol 477 nM
- ACTH 2 pg/ml
- 24 h UFC 587 μ g

→ ADRENAL CUSHING ?

Adrenal CT Scan

No tumor - No hyperplasia



Other diagnosis?

Proven Cushing's syndrome → diabetes

ACTH-independent

with normal adrenal (and pituitary) imaging

... ??

Chronic exogenous glucocorticoid intake

Complaints of chronic sinusitis ...

Daily use of nasal drops of Sofrasolone®

- = prednisolone acetate 2,5 mg/ml - 10 ml (over-the-counter medication !)
 - admitted use of 3 to 4 vials per week !
 - = 75 - 100 mg prednisolone/week or
10-14 mg/day)
 - since 4 years
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Conclusion

- ❑ Specific diabetes induced by iatrogenic Cushing
 - ❑ Iatrogenic Cushing due to exogenous abuse of corticoids in nasal drops (Sofrasolone)
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