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A CROSS-SECTIONAL STUDY OF COMMON CAROTID INTIMA MEDIAL THICKNESS AS A INDICATOR OF MACRO-VASCULAR COMPLICATIONS IN TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS

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Abstract:

Introduction: Carotid intima media thickness (CIMT) is used as a indicator of atherosclerosis, whichcauses Macro-vascular diseases. with risk factors like age, HTN, Raised BMI, duration of uncontrolled DM, may actually have a correlation with CIMT either directly or indirectly influencing the disease processand causes atherosclerosis⁽¹⁾.

Materials and Methods: cross sectional study of 100 patients with type 2 DM admitted in civil hospital over a period of 1 year, age group between 35 to 75 years selected through simple random sampling. Macro vascular complications like CAD/CVD/PVD are dignosed with the

help of echocardiography, CT scan and with the help of history and clinical examination. CIMT is measured with B mode ultrasound.

Result : 73 percent patients have macrovascular complications who have raised value of CIMT and 68 percent patients with macrovascular diseases have raised value of CIMT.

Conclusion: increased value of CIMT in diabetic patients has more chances of macrovascular complication hence early detection of atheroscelerosis and early life style modification can prevent macro vascular complication⁽²⁾.

Keywords: Carotid intima media thickness (CIMT), Diabetes mellitus, Macro-vascular diseases, Atherosclerosis.

Introduction:

Diabetes mellitus is a metabolic cum vascular syndrome of multiple etiology characterized by chronic hyperglycemia with disturbances of carbohydrate, fat and protein metabolism resulting from defects in insulin action or insulin secretion or combined, that causes atherosclerotic cardiovascular diseases. Macrovascular Complications occurs due to atherosclerosis. Macrovascular complications are cerebrovascular diseases, coronary artery disease and peripheral vascular disease. Cerebrovascular diseases includes stroke and transient ischemic attacks⁽³⁾. Strokes are iscahemic or hemorrhagic. Ischaemic strokes are thrombotic or embolic in nature. Coronary artery diseases are ST elevation myocardial infarction, Non ST elevation myocardial infarction, unstable angina and chronic stable angina. Carotid intima media thickness (CIMT) is used as a marker of atherosclerosisthat is considered to be an important pathogenic mechanism of macrovascular diseases. CIMT is measured by B mode ultrasound, It is simple reproducible and non invasive test for vascular disease⁽⁴⁾. Recent study shows CIMT is early marker of atherosclerosis. It can give inputs in medical therapies of atherosclerosis. Findings of B mode ultrasound well corresponds to histology of carotid intima media thickness.

Aim of the study:

- 1. To analyse the carotid intima media thickness in type 2 diabetics with macrovasccular diseases like CAD/CVA/PVD.
- 2. To establish the usefulness of carotid intima media thickness as a early marker of macro vascular complications in type 2 DM.

Objectives:

- 1. Prevalance of macrovascular complications in patients with raised value of CIMT compared to normal value of CIMT.
- 2. Prevalance of raised value of CIMT in type 2 DM patients with macrovascular complications compared to type 2 DM patients without macrovascular complications.

Materials and method:

The present study was done in patients admitted to Civil hospital Ahmedabad, Gujarat over a period of 1 year.

Selection criteria and Target population:

Patient aged 35 to 75 years with type 2 diabetes mellitus.

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Investigations: macrovascular complications like CAD/CVD/PVD diagnosed through medical history, clinical examination and investigations like echocardiogram and computed tomography scan.

Sampling method:

100 patients selected by Simple random sampling methods.

Discussion:

This study was carried out in 100 type 2 diabetes mellitus patients admitted in medicine department of civil hospital Ahmedabad, between january to December 2020.they were devided in patient with macro-vascular complications and without macrovascular complications.In present study out of 50 patients with complications, 20 patients were coronary atherosclerotic heart disease, 24 patients were cerebrovascular stroke and 6 patients were of peripheral vascular disease.

(Table -1 Age distribution of case and control group)											
Age group	Туре	2 DM	with	Туре	2	DM	without				
	macrovas	cular diseases.		macro	vascu	lar dise	ases.				
UP TO 50 YRS	10			13							
51 TO 60 YRS	13			14							
61 TO 70 YRS	21			5							
ABOVE 70 YRS	6			8							
TOTAL	50			50							

(Table -1 Age distribution of case and control group)

in this study we can observe that macrovascular disease are more common in age group of 61 to 70 years.

(Table 2 prevalance of complications in type 2 Divi patients)									
		TYPE	2	DM	WITH	TYPE	2	DM	WITHOUT
		MACROVASCULAR				MACROVASCULAR			
		DISEASES				DISEASES			
CIMT >0.8		34 (a)				12 (b)			
CIMT<0.8		16 (c)				38 (d)			
CIMT= COMMON CAROTID INTIMAL MEDIAL THICKNESS									

(Table 2 prevalance of complications in type 2 DM patients)

CIMT= COMMON CAROTID INTIMAL MEDIAL THICKNESS.

Prevalance of macrovascular complications in patients with raised value of CIMT compared to normal value of CIMT.

a/a+b=0.73 VS c/c+d=0.29

so, 73 percent patients have macrovascular complications who have raised value of CIMT compared to normal CIMT which is 29 percent.

Prevalance of raised value of CIMT in type 2 DM patients with macrovascular complications compared to type 2 DM patients without macrovascular complications.

a/a+c=0.68 VS b/b+d=0.24

so, 68 percent patients with macrovascular diseases have raised value of CIMT as compared to type 2 DM without macrovascular diseases which is 24 percent.

Result:

- 100diabeticpatients were included in this study as per inclusion criteria. CIMT is measured with the help of ultrasound doppler.
- This study was done to assess the value of carotid intima mediathickness in type 2 DM patients with and without macrovascular complication and to understand the correlation with atherosclerosis.
- This study stats that as duration of diabetesincreases there is progression of CIMT.
- The normal intimal medial thickness of common carotid artery asevaluated by B mode ultrasound imaging was 0.8 mmapproximately.
- Out of 50 34 DM patient with macrovascular complication had CIMT more than 0.8 mm.
- Out of 50 DM patient without macrovascular complications only 12 had CIMT more than 0.8 mm.
- On comparing carotid intima media thickness in both DM patients with and without macrovascular complications.patients with complications had mean CIMT as 0.99 mm and patient without complications hadmean CIMT as 0.76mm.
- CIMT was significantly increased in DM type 2 patients with macrovascular complications than patients without complications and it is statistically justified as 73 percent patients have macrovascular complications who have raised value of CIMT.
- This study has demonstrated the role of traditional riskfactors like total cholesterol, LDL Cholesterol and triglycerides in the progression of atherosclerosis.
- Type 2 DM patients with macrovascular complications had lowlevel of HDL as compared to patients without macrovascularcomplicatons.
- FBS,RBS and PPBS were elevated inDM patients with macrovascular complications compared to those without complications. Hba1c level elevated in DM patients with macrovacular complicationsthen withot complications.
- High resolution B mode ultrasonography Doppler is non invasive and validated method to assess early markers of atherosclerosis and indicator of CAD/PVD/CVA by measuring carotid intimal thickness in asymptomatic or patients with dislipidemia, DM, HTN and cigarate smoking.

Conclusion:

- This study showed raised values of CIMT in type 2 DMpatients with macrovascularcomplications than Diabetic patients without complications.
- risk factors like age, HTN, raised BMI, duration of uncontrolled DM,may actually have a correlation with CIMT andpromotes the disease process and contributingfor macrovascular complications⁽⁵⁾.
- Uncontrolled DM and dyslipidemia both causes the Carotid intima media thicknessand can be labeled as accelerating factor foratherosclerosis in patients with type 2 DM.
- Ultrasound guided CIMT measurement is noninvasive method for detecting of early adverse arterial structuralchanges associated with atherosclerosis and macro-vascular complications.
- carotid intima media thickness byultrasound Doppler is reliable and helpful method for early detection of atherosclerosis and early life style modificationcan reduce incidence of macrovascular complications. So early life style modification in diabetic patient can be very helpfull and prevents dependence on other and prevents restriction in quality of life⁽⁶⁾.

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