

correlated with FBS levels. Homozygous NOS3 was associated with a 2-fold increase in the prevalence of DM & pre-DM. NOS3 genetic polymorphism didn't show a statistically significant correlation with TyG ($P = 0.061$). With the increasing availability of genetic testing, NOS3 may serve as an early screening tool to identify subjects with a high risk for elevated FBS. Further studies are required to understand the exact role of NOS3 genetic polymorphism in the pathogenesis of DM, and to evaluate the clinical efficacy and cost-effectiveness of genetic testing.

Conclusion: NOS3 genetic polymorphism has a statistically significant relationship with the FBS level. Further studies are required to confirm the association between NOS3 and DM.

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Clinical And Biochemical Outcomes Of Sodium-Glucose Co-Transporter-2 (SGLT2) Inhibitors In Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus Patients

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Background: SGLT-2 inhibitors are a group of oral medications that work independently of insulin working as anti-diabetics by enhancing the excretion of glucose. The purpose of our study was to assess the improvement in terms of HbA1c, weight, blood pressure and BMI and the hepatics and renal effect in terms of SGPT and Creatinine in patients already on three oral glucose lowering agents when SGLT-2 inhibitor was added to their medications. **Methods:** This retrospective, real world, single center study included 99 patients (mean age [Standard Deviation]: 53.8 [9.63] years) with poorly control type 2 diabetes. Data was recorded at three times, before the addition of SGLT-2 inhibitor and then at 3 and 6 month follow up after the drug had been added in patient's medications. Physical parameters namely weight, BMI and blood pressure were recorded in the clinic while HbA1c, SGPT and Creatinine were checked by laboratory. **Results:** Improvement was seen in all parameters at both 3 and 6 month follow up interval. The reduction in HbA1c was statistically significant (P -value < 0.001) with (Mean Reduction [Standard Deviation]) 0.81[1.02] % at 3 months and 1.07[1.11] % at 6 months. Weight was also significantly reduced (P -value < 0.001) with (MR [SD]) 1.83[2.32] kg at 3 and 4.02[6.04] kg at 6 months. Statistically significant reduction (P -value < 0.001) in BMI was also seen with 0.69[0.95] kgm^{-2} at 3 months and 2.13[3.41] kgm^{-2} at 6 months of follow up. The systolic blood pressure showed significant reduction (P -value < 0.05) of 5.9[15.76] mmHg at 3 months and 6.37[18.33] mmHg at 6 months. The creatinine and SGPT values of the patient showed minimal variation over the course of these 6 months of follow up. **Conclusion:** Our study showed that SGLT-2 can be reliably used in patients

in which diabetes is not being controlled by other glucose lowering agents and is safe for use in patients in which hepatic and renal function needs to be preserved. **Keywords:** SGLT-2 inhibitors, Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus, Pakistan

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Combination Therapy With Premixed & Basal Insulin Analogues in Asian Indians With Type 2 Diabetes

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Many individuals with type 2 diabetes (T2DM) eventually need insulin for better glycaemic control. Different insulin regimens like basal, premixed, basal plus, split mixed and basal bolus are used in T2DM management. There is not much literature on a combination of premixed insulin in the morning along with basal insulin at night. Such a regimen is preferred by people with T2DM, who do not want to take an afternoon insulin dose due to inconvenience. To study the effect of a premixed insulin given in the morning and long acting basal insulin analogue given at night in T2DM subjects, we looked into this combination. We performed a retrospective study to look into the effects of premixed and basal insulin analogue combination in patients with T2DM (in addition to oral antidiabetic agents). From the diabetes electronic medical records of a tertiary care hospital for diabetes at Chennai in South India, 648 patients on premixed and basal insulin analogue combination, who came for a follow-up visit were included in the final analysis. Baseline characteristics included body weight, BMI, blood pressure, fasting lipid profile, fasting and post prandial plasma glucose and HbA1c were analysed at baseline, and a change in the parameters was studied at the first follow up visit between 5 to 7 months. Mean age of the study population was 60.7 ± 13.1 years with mean diabetes duration of 20.5 ± 8.0 years. Out of 648 patients included, three fifths were male. Statistically significant improvement was observed in body weight, BMI, HbA1c, systolic blood pressure, lipid profile, fasting blood sugars ($P < 0.001$) and post prandial blood sugars ($P = 0.005$) in comparison to baseline values. Significant reduction in HbA1c (1.7 %, $p < 0.0001$) was observed in those with in the highest tertile of HbA1c (11.3 ± 1.0 %) in comparison to the baseline values. At follow up, nearly a third of study subjects achieved a HbA1c target of $< 8\%$ (30.1 % vs 18.4 0%, $p = 0.0005$) in comparison to the baseline values. 28.7 % patients on combination therapy achieved a fasting blood sugar value of < 130 mg/dl at follow up compared to 18.2 % patients at baseline ($p < .0001$). Similarly, 22 % of the patients on combination therapy also achieved post prandial blood sugars of < 180 mg/dl at follow up, compared to 12.2 % ($P < .0001$) at baseline. This study shows that in T2DM subjects, a simple regimen of premixed and basal insulin analogue combination helps in improving the glycaemic control.