

In the Name of ALLAH

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What we will talk in this lecture:

- DKA Complications
 - Common Complications
 - Serious Complications
- Insulin Therapy after DKA
 - Insulin Types
 - Insulin Dosage



References:

- NATIONAL CLINICAL GUIDELINE Management of Paediatric Diabetic Ketoacidosis
- European Society for Paediatric Endocrinology (ESPE)³
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Common Complications

➤ Inadequate rehydration

➤ Hypoglycemia

➤ Hypokalemia

Serious Complications

- **Cerebral Edema**
- Pulmonary Edema
- CNS Hemorrhage or Thrombosis
- Cardiac Arrhythmias
- Pancreatitis
- Renal Failure

Cerebral edema due to DKA is almost exclusively a pediatric condition

Cerebral Edema

- CE occurs in 0.3%- 1% of all episodes of DKA
- Initial 24 hours of treatment
- Younger children (< 4 yrs)
- Delayed diagnosis
- Greater dehydration and acidosis, lower pCO₂
- Insulin given before fluids

Etiology of CE

- **Vasogenic** - excessive accumulation of water and solutes in the interstitial space, due to dysfunction of the blood-brain barrier
- **Cytotoxic** - excessive accumulation of water and solutes in the intracellular space, due to dysfunction of cell-volume regulatory mechanisms
- **Both** forms may co-exist

Clinical Factors Associated with *Cerebral Edema*

- Prolonged Illness
- Severe acidosis - low PA CO₂
- Severe dehydration
- Bicarbonate therapy
- Persistent hyponatremia
- Excessive fluid administration
- Insulin given before fluids

Cerebral Edema, Signs and Symptoms

- Headache and slowing of heart rate
- Change in neurological status
- incontinence or specific neurological signs
- Rising BP, decreased O2 saturations
- Late signs such as seizures, papilloedema and respiratory arrest are associated with a very poor prognosis

Management

- ✓ Contact **Consultant** Paediatrician/Endocrinologist and Anaesthetist immediately
- ✓ Exclude **hypoglycaemia** as a cause of neurological deterioration
- ✓ **Mannitol** (0.5g – 1g/kg over 10-15mins) or **Hypertonic Sodium Chloride** (2.5mL -5 mL/kg of Sodium Chloride 3%w/v solution)
- ✓ **Reduce maintenance fluid infusion rate** by one third and also recalculate rehydration to deliver over 72 hours (instead of 48 hours)

Management:

- ✓ Nurse at **45 degree** angle
- ✓ **Transfer to PICU/ICU** (if not there already)
- ✓ Consider **imaging** and Neurosurgical consult
- ✓ Consider either - **Mannitol infusion** - 0.25g/kg/hr
or Mannitol 20%- 1g/kg every 6 hours

NovoRapid[®]
FlexPen[®]

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Apidra SoloStar
100 Units/ml - 100 Units/ml
Solution injectable en stylo prérempli
Solution for injection in a pre-filled pen
insuline glargine / insulin glargine

Lantus SoloStar
100 Units/ml - 100 Units/ml
Solution injectable en stylo prérempli
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KwikPen[®] 100 U/ml
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Types of Insulin

TABLE 1 Types of insulin preparations and suggested action profiles for s.c. administration

Insulin type	Onset of action (h)	Peak of action (h)	Duration of action (h)
Ultra-rapid acting analog (faster aspart) ^{a,c}	0.1-0.2	1-3	3-5
Rapid-acting analogs (aspart, glulisine, and lispro)	0.15-0.35	1-3	3-5
Regular/soluble (short acting)	0.5-1	2-4	5-8
NPH*	2-4	4-12	12-24 ^a
Basal long-acting analogs			
Glargine ^b	2-4	8-12	22-24 ^a
Detemir	1-2	4-7	20-24 ^a
Glargine U300*+*	2-6	Minimal peak	30-36
Degludec ^c	0.5-1.5	Minimal peak	>42

*NPH is not recommended for use in children with type 1 diabetes mellitus. ^aWith a 24-hour duration of action, NPH is not recommended for use in children with type 1 diabetes mellitus. ^bNot recommended for use in children with type 1 diabetes mellitus. ^cNot recommended for use in children with type 1 diabetes mellitus.

Methods of Insulin Therapy

- ❖ Glucose and meal-adjusted injection regimens
- ❖ Less-intensive regimens
- ❖ Fixed insulin dose regimens
- ❖ Pump therapy
- ❖ Sensor-augmented therapies

DISTRIBUTION OF INSULIN DOSE

- During the partial remission phase, the total daily insulin dose is often **<0.5 IU/kg/day**.
- After partial remission phase
 - ✓ Prepubertal children usually require **0.7 to 1.0 IU/kg/day**.
 - ✓ During puberty, requirements may rise substantially above **1** and even up to **2 U/kg/day**.
- ❖ In children on basal-bolus regimens, the basal insulin may represent between **30%** (typical for regular insulin) and **50%** (typical for rapid-acting insulin) of total daily insulin.

Injection sites and speed of absorption

Abdomen

~15 min

quick

Lateral aspect of arm

~ 20 min

intermediate

Front of thigh/lateral thigh

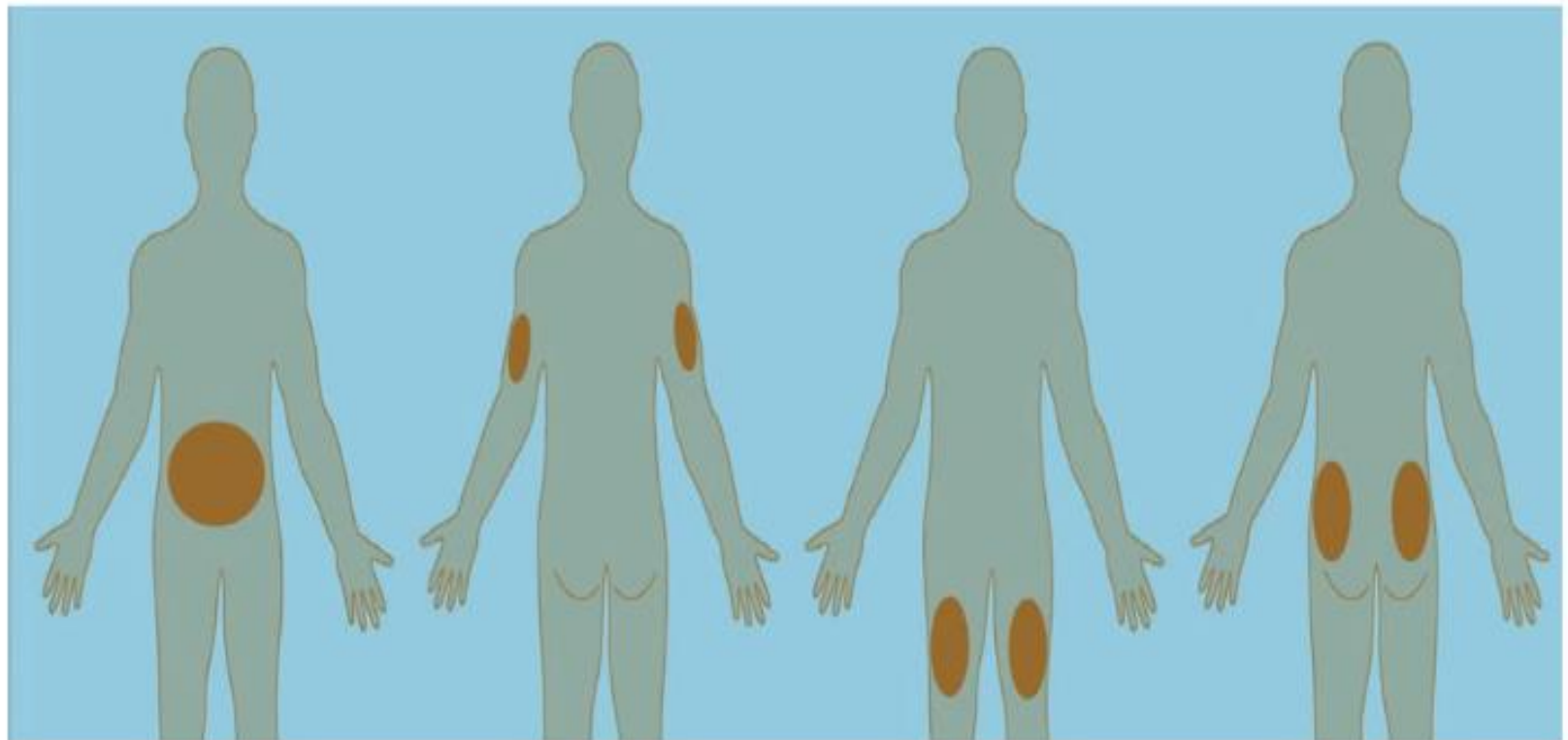
~30 min

slow

Lateral upper quadrant of the buttocks

~30 min

slow



Schematic representation of injection sites and relative timing of insulin absorption. For details see Reference ¹⁰⁰

Devices for insulin delivery

- Insulin syringes
- Pen injector devices
- Subcutaneous indwelling catheters
- Automatic injection devices
- Jet injectors
- Continuous subcutaneous insulin infusion
- Sensor-augmented pump therapy and “closed loop”



Blood sugar levels in mg/dl	Level	Symptoms	A1C test results
400-800	Very high	Stomachache, difficulty breathing	
200-400	High	Low energy	
80-200	Goal, under 5 years	Fine!	< 8.5%
70-180	Goal, 5 to 11 years	Fine!	< 8.0%
70-150	Goal, 12 years and up	Fine!	<7.5%
70-120	Normal	Fine!	

TABLE 1 Glycemia and blood glucose target recommendations

Target HbA1c	<p>HbA1c <53 mmol/mol (<7.0%)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This target must be individualized with the goal of achieving a value as close to normal as possible while avoiding severe hypoglycemia, frequent mild to moderate hypoglycemia, and excessive stress/burden for the child with diabetes and their family. • Factors that must be considered when setting an individualized target include, but are not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Access to technology, including pumps and CGM ◦ Ability to articulate symptoms of hypoglycemia and hyperglycemia ◦ History of severe hypoglycemia/hypoglycemic unawareness ◦ History of compliance with therapy ◦ Whether child is a high or low glycorator ◦ Whether child has continued endogenous insulin production (eg, in the new onset or “honeymoon” period of diabetes) 			
Necessary elements for successful glycemic management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HbA1c measurements at least quarterly • Glucose monitoring using CGM or self-monitored BG measurements up to 6 to 10 times per day • Regular review of glucose values with therapy adjustments as necessary 			
Glycemic targets		<p>NICE goal A1c</p> <p><u>≤48 mmol/mol (≤6.5%)⁴⁹</u></p>	<p>ISPAD goal A1c</p> <p><u><53 mmol/mol (<7%)</u></p>	<p>ADA goal A1c</p> <p><u><58 mmol/mol (<7.5%)⁵⁰</u></p>
	Premeal	4.0-7.0 mmol/L (70-126 mg/dL)	4.0-7.0 mmol/L (70-130 mg/dL)	5.0-7.2 mmol/L (90-130 mg/dL)
	Postmeal	5.0-9.0 mmol/L (90-162 mg/dL)	5.0-10.0 mmol/L (90-180 mg/dL)	
	Prebed	4.0-7.0 mmol/L (70-126 mg/dL)	4.4-7.8 mmol/L (80-140 mg/dL)	5.0-8.3 mmol/L (90-150 mg/dL)

Abbreviations: ADA, American Diabetes Association; BG, blood glucose; CGM, continuous glucose monitoring; HbA1c, hemoglobin A1c; ISPAD, International Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Diabetes; NICE, National Institute for Health and Care Excellence.

Insulin Therapy – Key Message

- ✓ Insulin is the **mainstay** of medical management
- ✓ The choice of insulin regimen depends on many factors:
 - Age
 - Weight
 - Stage of puberty
 - Duration and phase of diabetes
 - State of injection sites
 - Nutritional intake and distribution
 - Exercise patterns
 - Daily routine
 - Results of blood glucose monitoring and glycated hemoglobin
 - Intercurrent illness
 - Family lifestyle
 - Socioeconomic factors
 - Family, patient, and physician preferences

Insulin Therapy – Key Message

- ✓ Insulin treatment must be started as soon as possible after diagnosis (usually within 6 hours if ketonuria is present) to prevent metabolic decompensation and diabetic ketoacidosis
- ✓ Insulin therapy must be individualized for each patient in order to achieve optimal metabolic control

Thanks for your attention

