Type 1 Diabetes

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IDF Data for T1D

- Of the 215 countries and territories covered by the IDF Diabetes Atlas, only 97 have their own incidence data for T1D.
  - For most, this is limited to children and adolescents under 15 years of age
  - Among the countries without data for age <20 are some very populous nations, such as Nigeria, Indonesia, the Philippines, Vietnam, and South Africa. For these countries data are extrapolated from a nearby country with similar characteristics. However there are various reasons why such data may not be accurate.

www.diabetesatlas.org
The IDF Europe Region has the highest number of children and adolescents (0–19 years) with T1D – 295,000 in total

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Among the 46 studies identified, incidence of adult-onset (≥20 years) T1D was available for 32 countries and regions reporting estimates between 1973 and 2019.

The majority of available studies are limited by the use of clinical diagnosis or diagnostic codes for ascertainment of T1D in adults and, therefore, likely underestimate the true burden.
Limitations of the Data

• ICD10 Coding
  • Youth and Adolescents are often coded as T1D even when documentation is clear that diagnosis is T2DM
    • This has minimal impact on the data as T2DM is a very small percent of the diabetes diagnosed in youth and adolescence
  • Most adults with documented T1D are still coded as T2DM
    • EHR defaults “diabetes mellitus” to E11.9
    • Many adults are not tested for T1D but are merely presumed to be T2DM
  • Clinical Diagnosis typically uses initiation of insulin within 6 or 12 months of diagnosis as indication of T1D

Sources of Data

• International Diabetes Federation
  • IDF Diabetes Atlas, 10th Edition, Dec 2021
    • www.diabetesatlas.org
• American Diabetes Association
• UK General Practice Research Database
• CDC National Diabetes Statistics Report, 2020
**US Data, 2018-2020**

- 64,000 new diagnoses of T1D annually
  - 27,000 cases in youth (0-19 years)
  - 37,000 cases in adults (20-64 years)
- 1.6 million American are living with T1D
  - 200,000 of these are < age 20
  - 1.4 million are age 20+
- This number is projected to rise to 5 million people (3X increase) in the U.S. by 2050, including nearly 600,000 youth

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  • incidence is generally higher in studies that defined T1D using biomarkers, compared to those using algorithms based on administrative data
  • However, most studies do not report diagnosis based on biomarkers

• Adult onset T1D often does not present with classical symptoms such as DKA, typically has slower disease progression, and has delayed initiation of insulin treatment.
  • insulin initiation is often delayed by > 1 year in adults
  • This leads to cases being misdiagnosed and mismanaged as T2DM and underestimations of the true incidence of adult-onset T1D

• Adult Onset T1D
  • Consider T1D for all BMI ranges, but especially in the overweight range
  • Do not assume T2DM because age > 18 years
Diagnosis of T1D in Adults

• Biomarkers
  • Autoantibodies
    • GAD65
    • ICA
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This combination of biomarkers will give an estimate of possible duration of “honeymoon phase”

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    • very low titer GAD tends to have slower progression and more features of metabolic syndrome

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Issues in the Treatment of Adult Onset T1D

• Metformin
  • Many patients are misdiagnosed as T2DM leading to initial therapy with metformin
    • although there is little evidence for the use of metformin, there is no evidence against its use

• Sulfonylureas
  • there is limited evidence to suggest the efficacy of SU in subjects with adult onset T1D
  • Data is emerging show that the use of SUs in adult onset T1D is associated with worse metabolic control and a more rapid decline in c-peptide level compared with treatment with insulin
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Type 1 diabetes management

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- Glucose monitoring
- Nutrition
- Exercise

Pharmacokinetics of available short-acting insulin

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<td>25 hours</td>
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**Insulin administration**

- Multiple daily injections: basal insulin 1-2 times per day, prandial insulin with meals

- Continuous subcutaneous insulin infusion pump (CSII)
Insulin Pumps

Insulin Pump Basics

• A small mechanical device that continuously delivers insulin through a catheter placed under the skin

• Delivers fast acting insulin two ways
  • Bolus (meal coverage and/or correction)
  • Basal (background coverage)
Insulin Pump Supplies

1. Insulin Pump / PDM
2. Reservoir / Cartridge / Pod (3 days of insulin)
3. Infusion Set / Tubing (carries insulin to the body)
4. Blood Glucose Meter

Insulin pump

• Can be used alone or with a continuous glucose monitor (CGM)
  • Sensor-augmented pump therapy: uses CGM and pump without any automation
  • Hybrid-closed loop therapy: automated insulin delivery based on CGM glucose readings
Pump Advantages

- Precise insulin delivery (0.5 to 0.001 unit)
- No injections
- Bolus calculator
- Temporary basal rate
- Free software for data collection
- Flexibility with insulin delivery
- Eliminates unpredictable effects of long-acting insulin

Pump Disadvantages

- Cost
- DKA risk
- Being attached (1-2 devices)
- Skin sensitivities to tape
- User may feel overwhelmed
Other Tech Options

InPen by Companion Medical

1. Bluetooth insulin pen with bolus calculator
   - Insulin-to-Carb Ratio
   - Sliding Scale / Sensitivity
   - Blood Sugar Target
   - Active Insulin Time

2. InPen costs no more than $35 per year
3. Delivers in half unit increments
4. Integrates with Dexcom through Apple Health
V-Go

- Disposable
- Change daily / applied like a patch
- On-demand dosing in 2 unit increments

- Does not alarm for empty reservoir
- Waterproof 3 feet, 3 inches up to 24 hours
- No history / memory

Self-monitored blood glucose

- Finger-stick glucose measurements or
- Continuous glucose monitoring

- HbA1c goal <7% without frequent hypoglycemia
- Customize target for those with limited life expectancy, hypoglycemia unawareness (<8%)
- Can be lower if able to achieve without significant hypoglycemia

**Glycemic targets**

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<th>A1c</th>
<th>&lt;7% (&lt;53 mmol/mol)</th>
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<td>Preprandial capillary plasma glucose</td>
<td>80-130 mg/dL (4.4-7.2 mmol/L)</td>
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<td>Peak postprandial capillary plasma glucose</td>
<td>&lt;180 mg/dL (10 mmol/L)</td>
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**Continuous Glucose Monitors (CGM)**

- CGMs measure interstitial glucose every 1-5 minutes
- An algorithm calibrates and interprets the data and sends to a receiver
  - Receivers can be stand-alone, smart phone or insulin pump
- Alerts user when glucose is out of range or trending quickly
- CGMs are a great tool but do **not** replace all finger stick monitoring
**CGM Basics**

- Can be used alone or with an insulin pump
- Continuously monitors sensor glucose 24 hours/day
  - Displays sensor glucose readings every 1 - 5 minutes
- Speed and direction of blood sugar
- Optional Alert Features
  - High or low sensor glucose
  - Rising or falling sensor glucose
  - Temporarily suspends insulin (Medtronic & T-slim)

**CGM Advantages**

- Trend arrows
- Detects asymptomatic hypoglycemia
- Alerts when glucose is above/below target
- Alerts for rapid rise/fall in glucose
- Ability for user to share glucose alerts with a friend or family member
- Can be combined with some insulin pumps
- Record keeping right on the app

**CGM Disadvantages**

- Cost
- Does not replace all monitoring
- Skin sensitivities
- Two insertion sites if user is also wearing an insulin pump
- User may feel overwhelmed
Time-in-Range Matters MORE than HbA1c

- Time Above Range >180 mg/dL
- Time In Range 70-180 mg/dL
- Time Below Range <70 mg/dL
### Time in Range goal

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<th>Diabetes group</th>
<th>Time in Range (TIR)</th>
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<td>&lt;1%</td>
<td>&lt;5%</td>
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<td>Older/high risk type 1</td>
<td>&gt;50%</td>
<td>&lt;70 mg/dL (&lt;3.9 mmol/L)</td>
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### Time in Range and Patient Goals

- For every 10% change in TIR, there is a corresponding 0.8% change in HbA1c

Hypoglycemia Management & Emergency

• Glucagon is a hormone that raises glucose in an emergency if patient with diabetes is unconscious or unable to take glucose by mouth
• A family member, roommate, or coworker should learn how to give glucagon
• Liquids and food should never be given to someone who is not alert or awake

Ketone Monitoring for those living with T1D

• Ketones are produced when the body is using fat for energy
  – When there is not enough insulin

• When should patients check?
  – BG > 300
  – BG > 200 during pregnancy
  – Any illness and with nausea, vomiting, diarrhea

• Large build up of ketones leads to DKA

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Unique patient populations

- Teens and emerging adults
- Pregnancy
- Elderly
**Transition of Care with Diabetes**

- Strong, practical transition plan
- Initiated early (early teenage years)
- Ongoing dialogue between family and youth
- Cover issues such as:
  - Finances, insurance, obtaining supplies
  - Psychosocial issues
  - Sexual and reproductive health issues
  - Alcohol, smoking, and drug use

ADA Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes, Diabetes Care 2022;45,suppl 1. S208-231.

**Type 1 Diabetes Exchange Clinical Registry**

- >25,000 individuals with T1D
- Aged 1 to 90 years of age
- 70 centers across the US
A1c changes over time: T1D exchange clinic registry


ADA recommendations for reproductive health

- Preconception counseling should be part of every visit starting at puberty
- If pregnancy desired:
  - A1c level as close to normal as possible (<6.5%) without hypoglycemia
  - Evaluate and treat complications
  - Evaluate medications’ safety

ADA Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes, Diabetes Care 2022;45(Suppl 1),S232-243.
Are most pregnancies planned?

- 2/3 of pregnancies in women with diabetes are unplanned
- Leads to excess of malformations in infants of mothers with diabetes

ADA Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes, Diabetes Care, 2022;44(Suppl 1)S232-243.

Congenital malformations

- Major congenital malformations are the leading cause of mortality and morbidity in infants of mothers with T1D and T2D
- Risk of malformations increases with higher maternal glycaemia during first 6-8 weeks

ADA Standards of Care 2021, Diabetes Care, Volume 44(Suppl 1), Jan 2021.
Elderly patients with T1D

- Screen for medical, psychological, functional, and social geriatric domains at initial visit
- Screen for mild cognitive impairment or dementia
- Greater risk of hypoglycemia
- Customize glycemic targets
- Screen for and treat other diabetes complications

ADA Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes, Diabetes Care 2022;45;suppl 1. S195-207.

Other autoimmune diseases

- Screen at diagnosis and with symptoms
- Thyroid disease (17-30%)
- Celiac disease (1.6-16.4%)
- Less common:
  - Addison’s disease
  - Autoimmune hepatitis
  - Autoimmune gastritis
  - Dermatomyositis
  - Myasthenia gravis

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Diabetes complications

- Blood pressure, pulse, weight
- Annual TSH, lipids, urine albumin-to-creatinine ratio
- Every 1-2 year dilated retinal exam (or retinal photography)
- Annual comprehensive foot exam
- Cardiovascular disease

Summary

- T1D
  - Age does not define the diagnosis
  - Consider measuring GAD Antibody on all new diagnoses of diabetes
  - Do not use SUs if Antibody positive, even if c-peptide is still present
- Patients can benefit from diabetes technology
- Customize diabetes care for unique populations