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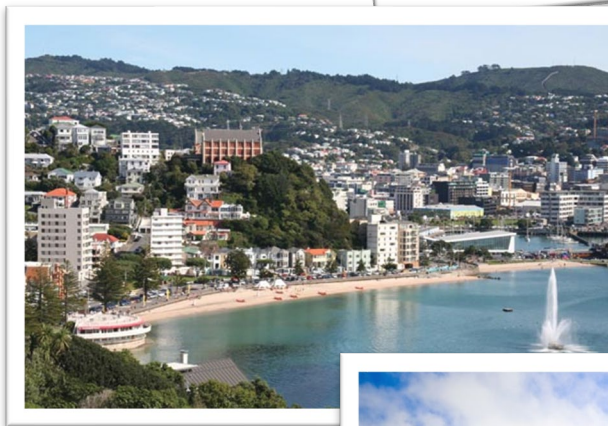
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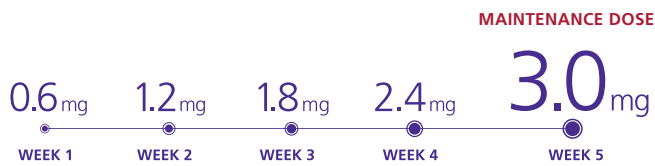
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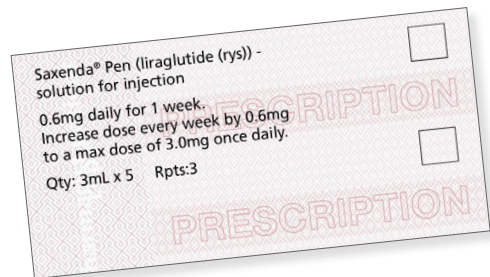


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Welcome to the 45th Annual NZSSD ASM

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After moving from a full face-to-face conference to a virtual one then to a hybrid option, it is wonderful to welcome you to Wellington whether you are here in person or joining us online.

We have over 290 registrations this year which is a great achievement during a pandemic. With the split 50:50 between in person and online it is a unique experience for the society, and no doubt one which will be repeated.

A big thank you to our sponsors and exhibitors who have stood by NZSSD this year and have all chosen to exhibit in person. I encourage you all to engage with our exhibitors through the platform or over a cup of tea or coffee, the chat option in the app and on the platform means you're only a few clicks from engagement.

We have again received a good number of high calibre submissions. These will all be part of the ASM some live streamed, some live presented and some pre-recorded. Regardless of the format the value we gain from the presentations is immense.

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Do enjoy the conference and remember to complete your feedback form (emailed to you). This allows the committee to plan for future ASMs.

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Dr Rosemary Hall
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INVITED SPEAKERS

PROFESSOR SUE CRENGLE

Professor Sue Crengle (Ngāi Tahu, Ngāti Mamoe, Waitaha) specialises in general practice and public health medicine and has been working as a researcher for over 25 years. She is a Professor, Hauora Māori, at Otago Medical School. Much of her work involves identifying where and how inequities in health occur, and in testing ways to eliminate these inequities. She lives in Invercargill.

Professor Crengle has extensive knowledge, and experience of the health system, primary care, and public health in both a Kaupapa Māori and mainstream setting, significant experience working with Māori communities and organisations and an understanding of Te Tiriti o Waitangi based principles and frameworks as they apply to health.

Professor Crengle is a foundation member of Te Ora and sits on the Taumata of senior clinicians, and in 2021 was appointed to the board of the Interim Māori Health Authority.



DR SARAH PRICE

Dr Sarah Price is the Director of Obstetric Medicine and an active Obstetric Medicine Physician at The Women's Hospital, Melbourne. She is a staff specialist Endocrinologist at the Royal Melbourne Hospital.

She is also an NHMRC Emerging Investigator Fellow (2022-2027) with the Department of Medicine, University of Melbourne. She holds graduate diplomas in Obstetrics and Gynaecology (RANZCOG) and Child Health (University of Sydney), and a graduate certificate in Obstetric Medicine (SOMANZ). She was awarded an NHMRC post-graduate scholarship and Norman Beischer Medical Research Foundation grant for her PhD studies titled 'Health consequences for mother and baby of substantial pre-conception weight loss in women with obesity', supervised by Professor Joe Proietto. Sarah is the immediate past President of the Australian Diabetes in Pregnancy Society (ADIPS) and has been a board member for the past 8 years. She is also an active member of the Australian Diabetes Data Network (ADDN) and the Type 1 Diabetes Alliance. Sarah combines clinical work, research, and education. Her primary research interest is in metabolic diseases, including obesity, diabetes, and hypertension - in women before, during and after pregnancy. She is also interested in metabolic programming of the offspring. Sarah collaborates broadly and is available to supervise graduate research students.



DR VILIAMI K TUTONE

Dr Viliami Tutone is a nephrologist trained in New Zealand and Scotland. He has been a consultant nephrologist at Middlemore Hospital since 2005 and he is a member of Pacific People Advisory Panel to the Ministry of Pacific Health.



DR TROY MERRY

Dr Troy Merry is a 2015 Rutherford Discovery Fellow and Associate Professor in the Discipline of Nutrition, University of Auckland (N.Z.). He gained a Bachelor of Physical Education from the University of Otago, and PhD from the University of Melbourne, followed by post-doctoral positions in molecular metabolic signalling at Monash University and ETH Zurich. He has recent publications in leading metabolism journal including Nature Communications, Molecular Metabolism and Diabetologia, and received the 2022 Journal of Physiology Editorial Fellowship. His research broadly focuses on understanding molecular mechanisms underpinning metabolic health and disease, with a particular interest in investigating the pathways through which exercise alters metabolism. In recent years his work has focused on investigating genetic risk factors of metabolic disease in people of Polynesian ancestry, metabolic role of mitochondrial-derived peptides and hyperinsulin-signalling pathway obesity and fatty liver disease.



NZSSD ASM Programme
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Friday 13 May 2022

WELCOME AND CONFERENCE OPENING

09:00 Mihi whakatau

Welcome: Dr Helen Snell – President NZSSD

09:45 OPENING PLENARY SPEAKER

Kaupapa Māori Health Services and Equity in Diabetes Care

Professor Sue Crengle - Māori Health Authority

CHAIR - Helen Snell

10:30 **Morning tea among industry exhibitors**

Oral Presentations: Diabetes care and quality improvement

CHAIR - Pauline Giles & Nicole McGrath

- 11:00 O1 Interweaving Diabetes Care - Wellbeing of Tongan People with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus in New Zealand. *Soana Muimuiheata*
- 11:15 O2 Is Telehealth an Effective Tool to Address Inequity of Access to Secondary Care Diabetes Services in Aotearoa New Zealand? A Quantitative Study. *Ivana Barbalich*
- 11:30 O3 Medical Students Are Not Adequately Trained to Manage Diabetes in Inpatients in Aotearoa New Zealand. *Ryan Paul*
- 11:40 O4 Increasing Insulin Pump Uptake at CMDHB by Enhancing Clinician Expertise. *Stephanie Zhang*
- 11:55 O5 Diabetic Foot Interventions to Improve Outcomes for Indigenous Populations in High-Income Countries: A Scoping Review. *Michele Garrett*
- 12:05 O6 The Australian and New Zealand Diabetic and Ischaemic Foot Outcomes Study (ANZ-DIFOS): Preliminary Findings. *Claire O'Shea*
- 12:20 **Lunch break among the industry exhibitors**

Don't forget to use the chat options in the app and platform to ask questions.

13:30 Oral poster presentations

CHAIR Paddy Whitfield

OP1 Results from A National Survey on Diabetes Inpatient Management Using the Quality Standards for Diabetes Care 2020. *Lorna Bingham, Lindsay McTavish*

OP2 Collaboration to Improve Diabetes Service Delivery, Equity, and Technology Uptake. *Zara Houston*

OP3 Collaborative Development of a Real-Time Diabetes Dashboard to Improve Outcomes in Waikato Patients with Type 2 Diabetes. *Ryan Paul*

OP4 The Impact of Multimorbidity on the Ability to Make Lifestyle Changes in Those with Prediabetes and Excess Weight – A Qualitative Study. *Jenna Tidswell*

14:00 PLENARY SPEAKER

Obesity in Pregnancy and Transgenerational metabolic disease

Dr Sarah Price – University of Melbourne

CHAIR - Rosemary Hall & Louise Farmer

Oral Presentations: Pregnancy

14:45 O7 Is It Feasible to Use First Antenatal HbA1c to Target Northland Pregnant Women at High Risk for Gestational Diabetes Mellitus for Earlier Intervention? *Tomas Ashford*

14:55 O8 Diabetes in Pregnancy: Using the Sftt-1/PLGF Ratio to Predict Preeclampsia. *Ruth Hughes*

15:05 Afternoon tea among industry exhibitors

Oral Presentations: Pre-Diabetes

CHAIR Ole Schmeidel & Tutangi Amataiti

15:30 O9 Disincentivised and De-Prioritised Mahi: A Multiple Case Study of Pre-Diabetes Care Undertaken by General Practice in Aotearoa/New Zealand. *Christine Barthow*

15:45 O10 A Diagnosis of Prediabetes When Combined with Lifestyle Advice and Support Is Considered Helpful Rather Than a Negative Label: A Qualitative Study. *Kirsten Coppel*

15:55 O11 The Incidence of Diabetic Ketoacidosis Associated with Empagliflozin Use in Aotearoa New Zealand: A Preliminary Review. *Ryan Paul*

16:15 NZSSD Annual General Meeting and the Presentation of the i-SENS and NZSSD Research Grants

17:15 Evening soiree among the industry exhibitors.

Saturday 14 May 2022

09:00 **Genetic Research in Diabetes**
Dr Troy Merry - University of Auckland

CHAIR - Jeremy Krebs & Amanda de Hoop

Oral presentations: Genetics and technology

09:40 O12 The Metabolic Effects of A CREBRF Gene Variant in NZ Women – Assessment of Satiety and Incretins. *Bridget Moss*

09:50 O13 First Clinical Test Results for A Low-Cost Light-Based Glucose Sensor. *Lui Holder-Pearson*

10:05 O14 Effect of Divergent Continuous Glucose Monitoring Technologies on Glycaemic Control in Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis of Randomised Controlled Trials. *Ben Wheeler*

10:20 **Morning tea among industry exhibitors**

10:50 **Oral Presentations: Nutrition**

CHAIR - Kirsten Coppel & Christine Barthow

10:50 O15 Ketogenic Compared to Control Diets in Pre-Diabetes and Type 2 Diabetes: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis. *Amber Parry Strong*

11:05 O16 Saturated and Trans Fat Intakes on Mortality and Non-Communicable Disease Incidence: Systematic Review and Meta-Analyses of Prospective Observational Studies. *Andrew Reynolds*

11:20 **Bob Smith Lecture**

12:20 **Lunch break among the industry exhibitors**

13:20 **Oral poster presentations**

CHAIR - Craig Jefferies

OP5 The Effect of Non-funded Continuous Glucose Monitoring on Health Equity in Paediatric Diabetes in Aotearoa, New Zealand. *Mercedes Burnside*

OP6 IEC Standard Test Results for An Open-Source, Ultra-Low-Cost Insulin Pump. *Lui Holder-Pearson*

OP7 Insulin Pump Special Eligibility Criteria in New Zealand: A Survey of Prescriber Opinion and Practice. *Michaela Groves*

OP8 The Optimise Study Protocol: A Multicentre Optimisation Trial Comparing Continuous Glucose Monitoring, Snacking Habits, Sleep Extension and Values-Guided Self-Care Interventions to Improve Glucose Time-In-Range in Youth with Type 1 Diabetes. *Shelley Rose*

OP9 Metabolic Effects of a CREBRF Gene Variant in New Zealand Women. *Patricia Whitfield*

14:00 Oral presentations: Type 2 Diabetes

CHAIR - Rob Leikis & Michele Garrett

14:00 O17 Diabetes Mellitus Prevalence in Northland New Zealand Schizophrenia Patients on Clozapine. *Nicole McGrath*

14:15 O18 Detecting Impaired Glucose Tolerance and Diabetes in People with Compensated Liver Cirrhosis. *Cicely Barron*

14:25 O19 Randomised Cross-Over Trial of Vildagliptin and Pioglitazone as Add-On Therapy in Patients with Type 2 Diabetes: Predicting Which One Is Right Here (Worth) Study. Predicting Type 2 Diabetes Medication Response. *Ryan Yeu*

14:40 Diabetes New Zealand - Innovations in Diabetes Care.

15:00 CLOSING PLENARY

Renal disease in T2DM and new medications

Dr Viliami Tutone - Renal Physician, Counties Manukau

CHAIR – Kate Smallman

15:45 Presentation of the oral and poster presenter awards.

16:00 **Conference close**

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ORAL PRESENTATIONS - GENETICS AND TECHNOLOGY

O1 - INTERWEAVING DIABETES CARE - WELLBEING OF TONGAN PEOPLE WITH TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS IN NEW ZEALAND

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Background Quality standards for diabetes care and a range of initiatives have not improved outcomes for Pacific People with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (T2DM) in New Zealand. This research examined the meaning of being Tongan with T2DM in New Zealand, Tongan people's food practices, and strategies and services that are needed to improve diabetes management for Tongan people with T2DM.

Methods This study used a combined talanoa and hermeneutic phenomenology approach undertaken by a Tongan researcher for, and with, Tongan leaders to explore their lived experiences. This approach built upon Tongan values of listening to stories and seeking to find the meaning through interpretation of those stories.

Findings Diabetes services for Tongan people with T2DM require a Tongan worldview and holistic approach that encompass mo'ui lōtolu, wellbeing of sino (body), 'atamai (mind), and laumālie (spirit/soul) to fulfil fatongia (duty/obligations). Participants acknowledged the importance of receiving practical and meaningful information that involves family, church, and community. Food practices and diabetes management is never about an individual. It is always about wellbeing within collective communal living. This approach is symbolised by a Tongan food basket, *Kato Polopola*, interweaving talanoa and the holistic approach that is fundamental to mo'ui lōtolu. *Kato Polopola* recognises the critical role of the loto (heart), the centre of authority in deciding what to accept and reject. The importance of loto'i Tonga (Tongan heart), willingness to transform knowledge into action and maintaining an authentic relationship (vā). It is about no one thing, it is about all the strands (factors) woven together, held by 'ofa (love/heart), 'ilo (knowledge/mind) and lotu (prayers/spirit).

Conclusion Tongans with T2DM need meaningful information and appropriate support to enable commitment for sustainable behavioural changes. There are possibilities for modifying practice to enhance the ability of service providers and the Tongan community to get the benefit of talanoa and contextualised services.

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O2 - IS TELEHEALTH AN EFFECTIVE TOOL TO ADDRESS INEQUITY OF ACCESS TO SECONDARY CARE DIABETES SERVICES IN AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND? A QUANTITATIVE STUDY.

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Introduction

Not attending scheduled outpatient appointments is costly in terms of missed appointments and the potentially negative impact on health outcomes. 'Could Not Attend' (CNA) rates for secondary care appointments are consistently higher for Māori and Pasifika throughout Aotearoa New Zealand (NZ). The emergence of the COVID-19 pandemic facilitated increased use of telehealth with a perceived reduction in CNA rates.

Aims

This descriptive study sought to better understand whether the adoption of telehealth is likely to improve or exacerbate inequity of access to the Diabetes and Endocrinology Service at the Southern District Health Board (SDHB), NZ.

Methods

Routinely collected Diabetes and Endocrinology outpatient clinic appointment data for the Southland and Otago regions from July 2014 to June 2021 were obtained from the SDHB. Data included demographic and service details (e.g. attendance, visit type, speciality, staff team, clinical role). Microsoft Excel was used to conduct descriptive analyses (numbers and percentages) stratified by location, sex, ethnicity, and age group. The statistical software SPSS was used to calculate p-values.

Results

The COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent national lockdowns significantly influenced the use of telehealth, particularly for doctors. Telehealth use was ~20% across all demographics including Māori and Pasifika in 2019-20 yet declined in 2020-21 and became significantly different within all demographics; Māori and Pasifika were significantly less likely to use telehealth compared to other ethnicities in 2020-21, CNA rates were slightly lower at 9.3% for telehealth appointments compared to 12.4% and 10.6% for in-person appointments in 2019-20 and 2020-21, respectively. These differences were statistically significant in 2019-20 only. The impact of telehealth on overall attendance rates and equity is less clear.

Conclusions

Whilst ongoing use of telehealth could contribute to improving equity of access to NZ's healthcare system, further targeted solutions are needed to comprehensively understand and improve accessibility for Māori and Pasifika.

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05 - DIABETIC FOOT INTERVENTIONS TO IMPROVE OUTCOMES FOR INDIGENOUS POPULATIONS IN HIGH-INCOME COUNTRIES: A SCOPING REVIEW

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Background

Indigenous peoples represent 5% of the world's population (1). They experience higher rates of diabetes and associated complications than non-indigenous people, including poorer outcomes for diabetes foot disease (DFD) (2, 3). Providing equitable care through well-organized diabetes foot interventions can improve outcomes (4). This scoping review provides an overview of the literature on diabetes foot interventions that incorporated a focus on equity for Indigenous peoples.

Methods

This review followed the PRISMA-ScR guidance for scoping reviews (5). MEDLINE, Informit indigenous collection, CINAHL, PsychINFO, SCOPUS, and Embase were searched to the 17 June 2021 using search terms relating to the diabetic foot, interventions, and Indigenous peoples. All publications were eligible if they described a diabetes foot intervention that included Indigenous peoples from high-income countries. Two reviewers independently screened titles, abstracts, and full-text publications, and contributed to data charting. Key study characteristics included country, Indigenous population, intervention description, any foot-related outcomes, and alignment with the CONSIDER statement (6).

Results

We screened 730 publications and 30 met the eligibility criteria. Interventions focused on indigenous peoples from Australia (n=12), Canada (n=6), USA (n=6), New Zealand (n=2), Greenland (n=2) and Nauru (n=2). Primary prevention interventions were predominant (n=20) with a focus on increasing foot screening rates (n=16). Other interventions included health promotion and education (n=4), comprehensive foot interventions (n=4), a diabetic foot ulcer management protocol, and a service brokerage model. Only 1 study of the 27 evaluated met all the CONSIDER checklist requirements; 55% (n=15) met fewer than 9 items; few (n=3) met both items in the participation domain.

Conclusion

A limited number of diabetes foot interventions in the literature described diabetes-related foot outcomes for Indigenous peoples. Specific cultural approaches to foot interventions were not evident. To inform future DFD policies and programs and help guarantee equitable outcomes, research led by non-indigenous researchers needs to be conducted in partnership with Indigenous communities.

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O6 - THE AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND DIABETIC AND ISCHAEMIC FOOT OUTCOMES STUDY (ANZ-DIFOS): PRELIMINARY FINDINGS

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Background

Diabetic foot disease (DFD) is a common and debilitating condition. In New Zealand (NZ) there is a high incidence of lower limb amputation during hospitalisation for DFD and an over-representation within NZ Māori populations.^(1, 2) The Australia and New Zealand Diabetic and Ischaemic Foot Outcomes Study (ANZ-DIFOS) is a binational prospective study with an aim to report the presentation, management, and outcomes of DFD.⁽³⁾

Methods

This multicentre study includes Waikato Hospital, NZ; Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital, Perth; the Royal Adelaide Hospital and Queen Elizabeth Hospitals, SA; and Prince of Wales Hospital, Sydney. Participants with DFD that meet inclusion criteria will be reviewed at baseline, 1, 3, 6 and 12 months. Service and referral details, demographic, and clinical history, wound and perfusion data, outcomes and discharge information will be collected. The primary outcomes are time to wound healing, major amputation, overall mortality, and amputation-free survival at 12 months. Recruitment began in August 2020 in New Zealand, February 2021 in Perth, March 2021 in Adelaide, and July 2021 Sydney.

Results

Only NZ data will be presented. 120 participants were included, with a median age of 69 years (range 30 – 91 years), 39 were females and 49 (41%) identified as NZ Māori. Major limb amputation at 30 days was 7.5%, with 25 (21%) and 28 (23%) participants overall having undergone a major limb amputation and a minor limb amputation respectively. Furthermore, 68% of major limb amputations occurred in Māori participants. The 30-day mortality is 1.7%. Overall, 20 (17%) NZ participants have died, with 50% of these deaths occurring in Māori participants.

Conclusion

This preliminary data from ANZ-DIFOS highlights the burden of DFD. Whilst recruitment and follow up are ongoing, this study may show emerging evidence of the risk of lower limb amputation, variations in treatment and outcomes in DFD.

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ORAL PRESENTATIONS - PREGNANCY

07 - IS IT FEASIBLE TO USE FIRST ANTENATAL HbA1c TO TARGET NORTHLAND PREGNANT WOMEN AT HIGH RISK FOR GESTATIONAL DIABETES MELLITUS FOR EARLIER INTERVENTION?

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Background

HbA1c levels fall by approximately 10% in early pregnancy so first antenatal HbA1c 36-49 mmol/mol may indicate pre-diabetes. National guidelines recommend referral to diabetes services only if HbA1c is in the diabetes range of 50 or greater; screening for gestational diabetes mellitus (GDM) at 24-28 weeks' gestation for all others. In Northland, GDM screening and treatment is often delayed or difficult due to geographical spread and low socio-economic status. We therefore sought to establish whether referral based on first antenatal HbA1c would capture women with GDM earlier and allow better intervention. We also audited whether national guidelines are being followed.

Methods

We captured all women who had a first antenatal HbA1c at any Northland laboratory between 1st January to 31st December 2020. We focused on women with HbA1c 36-49 and completed pregnancy. We collected basic demographic data, GDM screening results and subsequent outcomes.

Results

There were 240 women, 67.9% Maori, of 1593 completed pregnancies, who had a first antenatal HbA1c of 36 - 49. 21.6% were not subsequently screened for GDM (40% in subgroup HbA1c 41-49 including 2 women who had polycose test only). Of those who were screened, only 23.9% had GDM.

First antenatal HbA1c	GDM (number of women)	No GDM: polycose only	No GDM: OGTT	Not screened
36-40	31	74	63	42
41-44	10	2	3	8
45-49	4	0	1	2

Of the 30 women with HbA1c 41-49, five required emergency caesarean section (two treated for GDM); four newborn were macrosomic (two GDM pregnancies) and eight had hypoglycaemia (four GDM pregnancies). None of these outcomes were statistically significant.

Conclusion

We did not find that first antenatal HbA1c 36-49 predicted subsequent GDM. Our high non-screening rate, especially for women with HbA1c 41-49, likely influenced this result.

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ORAL PRESENTATIONS – PRE-DIABETES

O9 - DISINCENTIVISED AND DE-PRIORITISED MAHI: A MULTIPLE CASE STUDY OF PRE-DIABETES CARE UNDERTAKEN BY GENERAL PRACTICE IN AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND

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Introduction

In Aotearoa/New Zealand (NZ), general practices diagnose and manage pre-diabetes. This work is important as it may prevent or delay the onset of Type 2 Diabetes (T2DM) reduce health inequalities and the burden that T2DM places on health care services. However, no study has previously examined how this work routinely occurs in NZ.

Methods

Two in-depth case studies of practices serving ethnically, and socioeconomically diverse populations, followed by a cross-case analysis. Data included focus groups and clinical case note reviews.

Results

Health care providers put considerable work into those with pre-diabetes; however, the health care context, including funding mechanisms, reporting targets, and the disease-centred focus of care, contributed to an environment that disincentivised and de-prioritised pre-diabetes care.

Health care providers had variable attitudes to pre-diabetes. Some viewed pre-diabetes as an important opportunity to intervene, while others questioned the likelihood of progression to T2DM and were concerned by the lack of ability to identify those at the highest risk and provide targeted care.

Gaps in systematic pre-diabetes screening practices were identified, and interventions used were inconsistent and lacked comprehensive ongoing support, likely impacting individual patient care. In one case, the social determinants of health (SDOH) particularly influenced patients' ability to engage with and respond to pre-diabetes care, significantly increasing general practice work.

Conclusions

Complex multi-layered factors impact pre-diabetes care in NZ, and many barriers cannot be addressed at the general practice level. The practice serving the most disadvantaged population, who concurrently have higher numbers with pre-diabetes/T2DM, were more adversely affected by the barriers identified. The current model of pre-diabetes care in general practice is unlikely to reduce rates of T2DM unless multi-sectoral responses attend to the impact of SDOH. General practice teams have a role in diabetes prevention work, but current funding arrangements models of care need review.

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O10 - A DIAGNOSIS OF PREDIABETES WHEN COMBINED WITH LIFESTYLE ADVICE AND SUPPORT IS CONSIDERED HELPFUL RATHER THAN A NEGATIVE LABEL: A QUALITATIVE STUDY

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Introduction

Testing for prediabetes in high-risk groups meets the criteria for screening. It is considered worthwhile because lifestyle modification can prevent or delay progression to type 2 diabetes (T2D), although not all will progress to T2D. Screening for any disease requires being able to offer appropriate follow-up and treatment for those who test positive, to avoid harm. However, a diagnosis of prediabetes has been considered a harmful, unhelpful label.

Aims

The aim of this study was to explore the experience and perceptions of a diagnosis of prediabetes among a demographically diverse sample of New Zealanders who had, and had not, regressed to normoglycaemia following participation in a primary care nurse-delivered intervention for 6 months.

Methods

A purposefully selected sample of 58 people with prediabetes and BMI >25kg/m², stratified by male/female, Māori/non-Māori, and those who had/had not regressed to normoglycaemia, after completing 6-months of a prediabetes intervention were interviewed. Interviews were audio-recorded and transcribed. Data were analysed by thematic analysis.

Results

Most participants recalled being shocked when told they had prediabetes, but they did not perceive the diagnosis to be a label in a negative sense, and some, described the diagnosis as helpful, "an opportunity to do something". Participants appreciated knowing that prediabetes could be reversed, and the opportunity to be able to take supported action and make lifestyle changes through the nurse-delivered prediabetes lifestyle intervention. The vast majority believed their "way of living" had caused their prediabetes, and their clear preference was to take control and make dietary changes, not to take Metformin. They wanted to be proactive rather than "lazy" and taking drugs as the first choice was seen as the "slippery slope".

Conclusions

Prediabetes was not considered a negative label, but an opportunity to prevent T2D, when coupled with a supportive primary care nurse-delivered dietary intervention.

O11 - THE INCIDENCE OF DIABETIC KETOACIDOSIS ASSOCIATED WITH EMPAGLIFLOZIN USE IN AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND: A PRELIMINARY REVIEW

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Aims and Objectives

Diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA) is a rare severe adverse effect of empagliflozin in patients with type 2 diabetes (T2D), with trial data suggesting an incidence of 1/3000–1/1000 patient years (0.03–0.1% per year). Empagliflozin only became available in Aotearoa New Zealand from February 2021 (via Special Authority), so provides a unique opportunity to investigate the real-world incidence of DKA in new empagliflozin users.

Methods

Retrospective data were collected from the National Pharmaceutical dataset for all patients prescribed empagliflozin between Feb and Oct 2021. These data were linked by NHI to the National Minimum dataset, and admissions for DKA were recorded. A DKA admission was deemed to be associated with empagliflozin use if it occurred within the time covered by dispensed medication, allowing for a medication possession ratio of 0.8. DKA incidence was then reported by age group, gender, DHB and ethnicity.

Results

During the 9-month period, there were 167 admissions for DKA in 40,523 patients prescribed empagliflozin, but only 94 admissions were associated with empagliflozin use (92 individual patients; 0.23% or 3/1000 patient years). There was no predominant regional (incidence in the 15 DHBs affected 0%-0.54%) or gender variation (95% CI 0.89-2.10 for men), but DKA admissions were at least two-fold more common in European (0.35%) than in Māori (0.17%), Pacific (0.18%) or Asian (0.10%) patients ($P \leq 0.01$). Median age at DKA admission was 60.5 years, with the highest incidence occurring in those aged < 30 years (0.75%) compared to 0.17%-0.25% in those aged > 30 years.

Conclusions

The real-world incidence of DKA associated with empagliflozin use in Aotearoa New Zealand appears to be several-fold higher than international data but remains rare. Prescribing behaviour and/or use of special authority may explain why DKA was more common in Europeans and emerging adults.

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ORAL PRESENTATIONS – GENETICS AND TECHNOLOGY

O12 - THE METABOLIC EFFECTS OF A CREBRF GENE VARIANT IN NZ WOMEN – ASSESSMENT OF SATIETY AND INCRETINS

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Introduction

A variant of the *CREBRF* gene (rs373863828-A; p.Arg457Gln) is associated with an increase in BMI but a decrease in the risk for type 2 diabetes and gestational diabetes. This variant is found almost exclusively in people of Māori and Pacific ancestry. Although the exact function of *CREBRF* is unknown, this variant has been found to be associated with an increase in postprandial insulin release in men. Glucagon-like peptide 1 (GLP-1) and gastric inhibitory peptide (GIP) are incretin hormones which mediate insulin release following a meal and regulate satiety.

Aim

The primary objective of this study was to investigate the effect of the rs373863828-A *CREBRF* variant on postprandial incretin release in Māori and Pacific women, and to assess whether this effect is associated with a concordant difference in experiences of satiety.

Methods

Fifty participants (14 homo- or heterozygous for rs373863828-A (AX), 35 reference genotype (GG), 1 excluded) were recruited to take part in a study where plasma samples and satiety scores were taken at baseline and 30, 60, 90, 120, and 150 minutes following a standardised mixed-meal test. Hormone quantification by ELISA and magnetic immunoassay was undertaken for a matched cohort of 28 participants (14 GG and 14 AX; matched for BMI, age and Polynesian ancestry). Postprandial GLP-1 and GIP concentration and satiety were analysed using a baseline-adjusted area-under-the-curve (AUC) and suddenness score.

Results

No significant differences were found between the matched AX/GG pairs for AUC measurements and suddenness scores for both incretin release (Figure 1) and satiety reports.

Conclusion

Preliminary evidence in women suggests that differential incretin or satiety responses do not appear to mediate the reduced risk of type 2 diabetes associated with the rs373863828-A allele. A larger sample size may be necessary to reveal any potential differences based on the rs373863828-A variant.

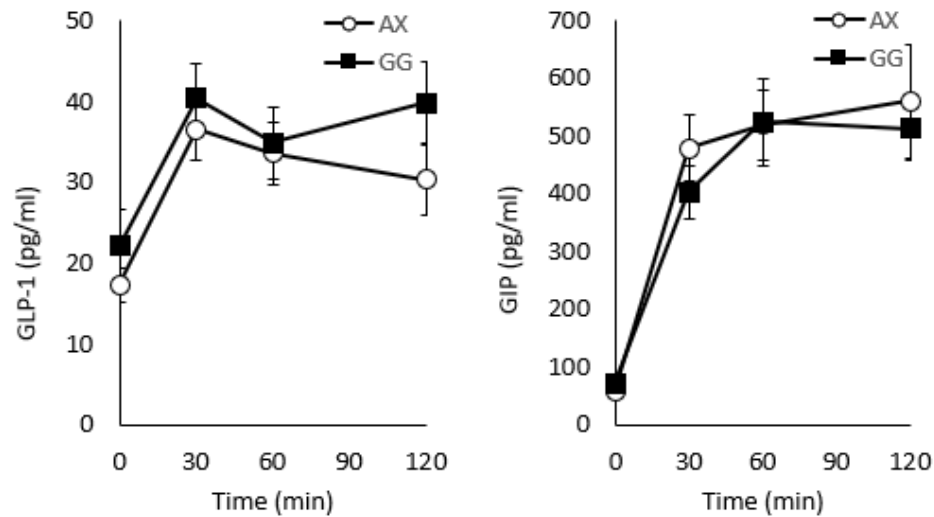


Figure 1. Plasma a) GLP-1 and b) GIP levels before (t=0) and after a standardised mixed meal in Māori and/or Pacific women with an AX (n=14) or GG (n=14) genotype for *CREBRF*. Data is presented as the mean \pm the standard error of the mean.

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O13 - FIRST CLINICAL TEST RESULTS FOR A LOW-COST LIGHT-BASED GLUCOSE SENSOR

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Background

Measuring blood glucose (BG) is central to diabetes management. However, glucometer BG measurements are infrequent, invasive, and painful, semi-invasive interstitial continuous glucose monitors (CGMs) are prohibitively expensive, and no non-invasive methods are currently available. This study presents first clinical validation test results for a low-cost (<NZ\$250) light-based, non-invasive glucose sensor using discrete wavelength LEDs in the near infra-red (1400-1700nm) range.

Methods

Heathy adults (ethics approval from University of Canterbury Human Ethics Committee) and neonatal ICU infants (ethics approval from NZ HDEC South) were tested. Adult subjects drank 330ml of Coca-Cola (17.5g glucose). At 9 measurement intervals (t = 0-60mins every 10mins, 90mins and 120mins) glucometer measurements and 3 light-based measurements (carotid artery, palm, and finger) were made, yielding 33 comparison pairs per test. For NICU subjects light-based glucose measurements were taken at 3 sites (foot, wrist, chest) every time a standard clinical BG measurement was made. Reference and light-based BG values are compared using a modified Clarke Error Grid (CEG).

Results

N=27 subjects (22 neonates; 5 adults) with 290 measurements, yielded 163 pairs, where 117 did not record a pulse for light-based data analysis. The glucose range was 1.9-7.9mmol/L. The CEG contains 62%, 31%, 6% and 1% in zones' A, B, C and D respectively. Outliers in the C and D ranges had poor pulsatile signals for analysis, yielding larger error. Bland Altman analysis demonstrated slight overestimation of BG for neonates, and slight underestimation for adults using a joint overall calibration.

Conclusion

Results show good performance for a first prototype non-invasive light-based blood glucose monitor. There is a need to test a wider glucose range into hyperglycemia and to improve test use and/or light intensity to ensure a good pulse waveform is captured for analysis.

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O14 - EFFECT OF DIVERGENT CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORING TECHNOLOGIES ON GLYCAEMIC CONTROL IN TYPE 1 DIABETES MELLITUS: A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW AND META-ANALYSIS OF RANDOMISED CONTROLLED TRIALS

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Aims

We aimed to conduct a systematic review and meta-analysis of randomised controlled clinical trials (RCT) assessing separately and together the effect of the three distinct categories of continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) systems (adjunctive, non-adjunctive and intermittently scanned CGM [isCGM]), compared to traditional capillary glucose monitoring, on HbA1c and CGM metrics.

Methods

PubMed, Web of Science, Scopus and Cochrane Central register of clinical trials were searched. Inclusion criteria were: randomised controlled trials; participants with type 1 diabetes of any age and insulin regimen; investigating CGM and isCGM compared to traditional capillary glucose monitoring; and reporting glycaemic outcomes of HbA1c and/or time-in-range (TIR). Glycaemic outcomes were extracted post-intervention and expressed as mean differences and 95% CIs between treatment and comparator groups. Results were pooled using a random-effects meta-analysis. Risk of bias was assessed using the Cochrane Rob2 tool.

Results

This systematic review was conducted between January to April 2021; it included 22 RCTs (15 adjunctive, 5 non-adjunctive, and 2 isCGM). The overall analysis of the pooled three categories showed a statistically significant absolute improvement in HbA1c percentage points (mean difference (95% CI): -0.22% [-0.31 to -0.14], $I^2=79\%$) for intervention compared to comparator and was strongest for adjunctive CGM (-0.26% [-0.36, -0.16]). Overall TIR (absolute change) increased by 5.4% (3.5 to 7.2), $I^2=71\%$ for CGM intervention compared to comparator and was strongest with non-adjunctive CGM (6.0% [2.3, 9.7]).

Conclusions

For individuals with T1D, use of CGM was beneficial for impacting glycaemic outcomes including HbA1c, TIR, and time-below-range (TBR). Glycaemic improvement appeared greater for TIR for newer non-adjunctive CGM technology.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS – NUTRITION

O15 - KETOGENIC COMPARED TO CONTROL DIETS IN PRE-DIABETES AND TYPE 2 DIABETES: A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW AND META-ANALYSIS

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Background

Ketogenic diets are popular but their role in management of Type 2 diabetes (T2DM) and pre-diabetes is uncertain.

Objective

To estimate the effect of ketogenic diets in pre-diabetes and T2DM based on a systematic review and meta-analysis of randomised controlled trials (RCTs).

Methods

A systematic review of Medline (OVID), Embase (OVID), Scopus, EBM Reviews - Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (Ovid) and Web of Science databases identified RCTs that compared efficacy and safety of very low carbohydrate ketogenic diets ($\leq 50\text{g}$ carbohydrate or $\leq 10\%$ total energy from carbohydrate per day) with a control diet, a carbohydrate content above this carbohydrate threshold, in adults with pre-diabetes or T2DM, with a study duration of at least 6 months. The primary outcome variable was HbA1c after 12 months. The meta-analysis method was inverse variance weighting of mean values for continuous variables.

Results

Key word searches identified 2290 studies of which 2221 were not in the scope of the review. Full text review of 69 studies identified eight meeting inclusion criteria, with a total of 606 participants. Six studies reported the primary outcome variable; four as change from baseline with a fixed effects estimate (95% CI) of HbA1c (%) Ketogenic minus Control of 0.0 (-0.22 to 0.25); and two as change from baseline; -0.65% (-0.99 to -0.31)% $P < 0.001$. Serum triglycerides were lower with Ketogenic diet versus control: -0.28 (-0.44 to -0.11) mmol/L $P < 0.001$, and HDL was higher with an estimate of 0.04 (0.01 to 0.08) mmol/L, $P = 0.03$, in the five studies reporting summary data after 12 months.

Conclusion

In people with pre-diabetes and T2DM a low carbohydrate, ketogenic diet may cause clinically significant reductions in Hba1c and triglycerides. The strength of evidence is low with variable methods of reporting important outcome variables.

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O16 - SATURATED AND TRANS FAT INTAKES ON MORTALITY AND NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASE INCIDENCE: SYSTEMATIC REVIEW AND META-ANALYSES OF PROSPECTIVE OBSERVATIONAL STUDIES

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Objective

To examine the totality of evidence available from prospective observational studies on saturated and trans fats intakes and mortality or non-communicable disease incidence.

Methods

We conducted a systematic review and meta-analysis of studies from database inception to October 2020. We considered total saturated or trans fats, specific chain lengths or isomers, and food sources in extreme quantile, dose response, and replacement analyses where saturated and trans fats were replaced with other macronutrients.

Results

There were 112 publications (3,696,568 participants) relating to saturated fats and 55 publications (2,227,241 participants) relating to trans fats and prespecified outcomes. Higher dietary intakes of saturated fats were associated with increased mortality. Mortality reduced when 5% of total energy from saturated fats was replaced with polyunsaturated fats (PUFA; RR 0.85 95%CI 0.75 to 0.97), monounsaturated fats (MUFA; RR 0.84 95%CI 0.75 to 0.95), plant MUFA (RR 0.85 95%CI 0.82 to 0.88) and carbohydrates (RR 0.92 95%CI 0.86 to 0.99). Coronary heart disease (CHD) incidence reduced with a 5% energy replacement with PUFA (RR 0.89 95%CI 0.81 to 0.98), plant MUFA (RR 0.83 95%CI 0.69 to 1.00) and slowly digested carbohydrates (RR 0.94 95%CI 0.89 to 0.99). Higher tissue measures of total saturated fats were associated with increased CHD and type 2 diabetes incidence. Higher dietary intakes of trans fats were associated with increased mortality, CHD, and cardiovascular disease. A 2% replacement of trans fats with plant MUFA reduced mortality (RR 0.90 95%CI 0.85 to 0.96) and CHD (RR 0.80 95%CI 0.70 to 0.92). The certainty of evidence was graded from moderate to very low, largely due to the amount of data available.

Conclusion

These findings reinforce dietary and clinical guidelines that saturated and trans fats in the diet should be replaced by PUFA, plant MUFA and slowly digested carbohydrates.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS – TYPE 2 DIABETES

O17 - DIABETES MELLITUS PREVALENCE IN NORTHLAND NEW ZEALAND SCHIZOPHRENIA PATIENTS ON CLOZAPINE

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Background

Clozapine is a unique atypical anti-psychotic agent with best efficacy for treatment resistant schizophrenia compared to other agents but increased metabolic adverse effects. We sought to audit the prevalence of diabetes and pre-diabetes in Northland patients on clozapine.

Method

We captured all 287 patients in Northland who were prescribed clozapine in September 2021 and obtained demographic, clinical and laboratory data.

Results

We discovered that 26.48% had diabetes (one patient type one, 75 type two diabetes) and 14.63% had pre-diabetes that developed after a median of 6 years' clozapine treatment. Diabetes prevalence is approximately 6% in the general population. NZ Māori made up 65.85% of the entire cohort (35.8% of the general population) and 85.53% of the diabetes patients. NZ Europeans represented most of the remaining 30.66% on clozapine consistent with the largely bicultural ethnic mix of our region. Māori on clozapine were younger: mean age 42 years compared to NZ Europeans mean age 49 years. The average BMI was 37 kg/m² for Māori, 32 for Europeans (range 21-63, SD 8); there was a moderate relationship between clozapine use and increasing BMI (correlation coefficient of 0.74). For the diabetes patients, glycaemic control was overall suboptimal with a mean Hba1c of 66 mmol/mol (range 41-117).

Conclusions

Culturally appropriate, flexible, and accessible services which integrate both the mental and physical health needs of Northland people with treatment resistant schizophrenia on clozapine are required to reduce the 41% rate of dysglycaemia in this predominantly Māori group.

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In liver cirrhosis, diabetes prevalence is around 30%. People with cirrhosis should undergo regular, structured surveillance for complications such as hepatocellular carcinoma. If diabetes screening was included in this surveillance programme, what might the best, most pragmatic screening test be?

Participants with no known dysglycaemia (impaired glucose tolerance or diabetes) were recruited from a liver cirrhosis register, managed by the Gastroenterology department. Participants attended a half day research clinic visit and underwent; i) a standard 75 g oral glucose tolerance test, ii) a laboratory HbA1c and iii) had a 'blinded' CGM inserted (Libre Pro). Additional investigations included a haptoglobin test, to check for intravascular haemolysis which might in turn affect red cell turnover, and a food frequency questionnaire.

Twenty participants successfully completed data collection, which included returning the interstitial glucose sensor by mail (one participant was unable to return their sensor and was excluded). No participant was carbohydrate avoidant. All had compensated cirrhosis (Child-Pugh Class A for 18 participants, Class B for two participants). The commonest underlying reason for cirrhosis was hepatitis C (N=10). Dysglycaemia was detected by OGTT in 7 participants and 4 participants had an elevated HbA1c. Bland-Altman comparison of laboratory and CGM-estimated HbA1c was broadly comparable (95% CI: -3 to 12 mmol/mol). Laboratory HbA1c tended to be higher than CGM-estimated HbA1c (4mmol/mol difference), but participants may have changed their lifestyle during their two weeks of CGM sensor wear, despite being requested not to do so. Bland-Altman comparison was unaffected by haptoglobin status.

Findings are consistent with other studies, showing that OGTT tends to diagnose more cases of dysglycaemia than HbA1c. The HbA1c appeared to reflect 'true' average glucose and is a convenient screening test in this setting. 'Blinded' CGM provided day-to-day insights into glycaemic excursions but is not suitable for diabetes screening.

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O19 - RANDOMISED CROSS-OVER TRIAL OF VILDAGLIPTIN AND PIOGLITAZONE AS ADD-ON THERAPY IN PATIENTS WITH TYPE 2 DIABETES: PREDICTING WHICH ONE IS RIGHT HERE (WORTH) STUDY. PREDICTING TYPE 2 DIABETES MEDICATION RESPONSE

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Aims

To investigate comparative glycaemic lowering by vildagliptin and pioglitazone among people (a) of Māori or Pacific (M/P) ethnicity (b) with obesity and/or hypertriglyceridemia (OHTG) or (c) with *CREBRF* rs373863838 (p.Arg457Gln) A-allele.

Methods

A randomised, open-label, two-period crossover trial was conducted in New Zealand adults with type 2 diabetes, HbA1c > 58 mmol/mol (> 7.5%), who received 16 weeks of either pioglitazone [P] (30mg) or vildagliptin [V] (50mg) daily, then switched over for another 16 weeks of treatment. Differences in HbA1c [P vs V] were tested for interaction with ethnicity, OHTG or genotype, controlling for baseline HbA1c using linear mixed models. Secondary outcomes included weight, blood pressure (BP), side effects and diabetes treatment satisfaction.

Results

346 participants were randomised (55% M/P) between February 2019 to March 2020. Overall, HbA1c after pioglitazone was lower than after vildagliptin (mean difference -4.9 mmol/mol [0.5%]; 95% CI -6.3, -3.5; p < 0.0001). Primary intention-to-treat analysis showed no significant interaction effect by M/P vs other ethnicity (1.5 mmol/mol [0.1%], 95% CI -0.8, 3.7), and per-protocol analysis (-1.2 mmol/mol [0.1%], 95% CI -4.1, 1.7). An interaction effect was found by OHTG status (interaction effect -4.7 mmol/mol [0.5%], 95% CI -8.1, -1.4), but not by rs373863828 genotype. Weight gain after pioglitazone relative to vildagliptin was lower among those with the A allele vs those homozygous for the GG genotype (interaction effect -2 kg, 95% CI -3.4, -0.6).

Conclusions

Comparative glucose-lowering by pioglitazone and vildagliptin does not differ in M/P compared to those of other ethnic groups. OHTG is a useful predictor for stratified glucose response to these medications.

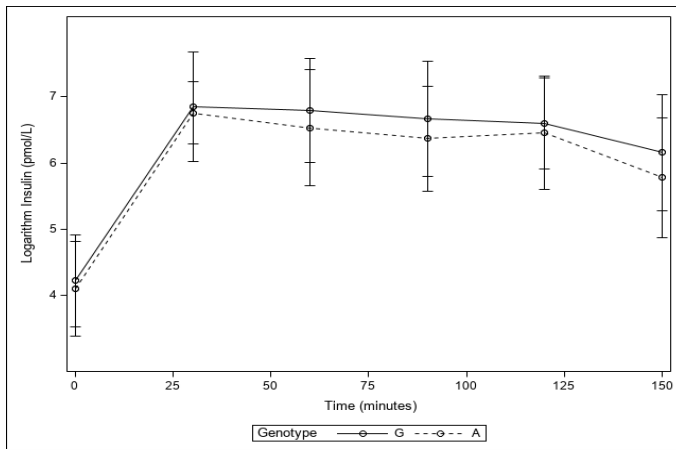


Figure 1: Plasma insulin in response to MMTT (mean (SD))

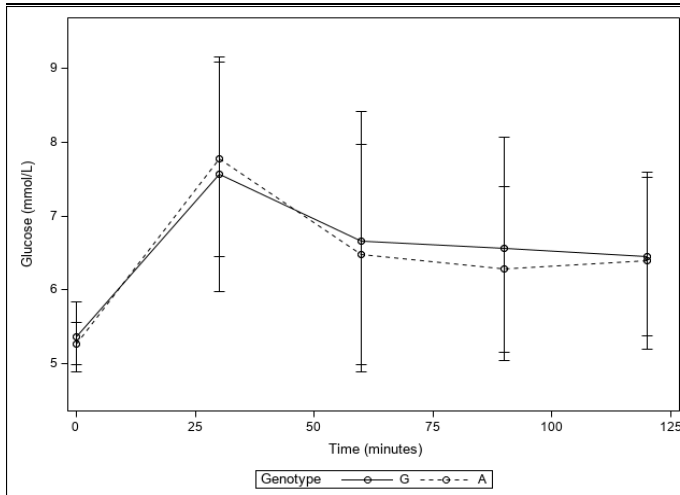


Figure 2: Plasma glucose in response to MMTT (mean (SD))

Conclusion: These preliminary results do not demonstrate an association between rs3733863828-A and increased glucose-stimulated insulin release in women, in contrast to men. Increased lean mass may be associated with increased insulin sensitivity, however this was not shown in our cohort. Increased lean mass is unlikely to be the sole physiological explanation for the reduced risk of T2DM and GDM associated with rs3733863828-A in women. A larger sample size is required to fully analyse these outcomes.

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ORAL POSTER PRESENTATIONS - FRIDAY

OP1 - RESULTS FROM A NATIONAL SURVEY ON DIABETES INPATIENT MANAGEMENT USING THE QUALITY STANDARDS FOR DIABETES CARE 2020.

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Background

Following a keynote address at NZSSD in 2015 many clinicians were interested to investigate what was happening in New Zealand Diabetes inpatient care. We designed and administered an online survey using the Standards for Diabetes Care 2020, to get a snapshot of diabetes clinical care nationally.

Aims

The aim of this survey was to investigate aspects of inpatient clinical care for people with diabetes in NZ in relation to the Quality Standards for Diabetes Care across 20 DHBs. The information could be used for Quality improvement initiatives, both locally and nationally.

Objectives

To design and survey all 20 DHBs on aspects of inpatient Diabetes care in relation to Standards 13 -15, in the Quality Standards for Diabetes Care Toolkit 2014.

Methods

The Quality Standards for Diabetes Care were reviewed. A survey of 20 questions was designed using SurveyMonkey, which was then emailed to Diabetes Nurses and Pharmacists across all DHBs, through the national professional organizations. The anonymized feedback was collated and analysed.

Results

Feedback was received from 32 participants. Results demonstrated disparities across the DHBs for many aspects of Diabetes Clinical Care in relation to the Quality Standards for Diabetes Care 2020. The findings could be a useful basis for Quality Improvement initiatives both locally and nationally.

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OP3 - COLLABORATIVE DEVELOPMENT OF A REAL-TIME DIABETES DASHBOARD TO IMPROVE OUTCOMES IN WAIKATO PATIENTS WITH TYPE 2 DIABETES

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Background

Implementation of clinical guidance to manage type 2 diabetes (T2D) is typically problematic resulting in marked inequities in care. Data analysis, education, and benchmarking all independently improve diabetes management and outcomes, and reduce the ‘post-code’ variation and inequities in care. Consequently, we describe the collaborative development of a regional diabetes dashboard to provide real-time data to enable benchmarking, education, identification of people with T2D (PWT2D) and research to improve diabetes outcomes.

Methods and description

Lead diabetes clinicians and data analysts from the DHB diabetes service and all three Waikato primary healthcare organisations worked collaboratively to develop a 'live' dashboard for the 25,000 PWT2D in the region. Consensus was reached for practice-level data to be presented by ethnicity for key targets and appropriate prescribing as outlined by the NZSSD national T2D guidance including 1) % with HbA1c < 53 mmol/mol; 2) % on metformin with eGFR > 30 mL/min; 3) % on ACEi/ARB with renal disease; 4) % on empagliflozin or dulaglutide (and 5) % with LDLc < 1.8 mmol/L with renal or cardiovascular disease (CVD), or a 5 year CVD risk > 15%; 6) % with HbA1c > 90 mmol/mol on insulin etc. Practices receive a benchmarking report identifying inequities and potential areas to improve care. Education is provided on ideal management and staff can easily identify PWT2D not meeting each target, enabling proactive care. Studies using the dashboard data are planned to investigate the relationship between system- and practice-level factors and outcomes.

Results and conclusions

No data are currently available on the effects of the dashboard on diabetes outcomes. But we believe the collaborative approach and demonstration of the dashboard ‘in action’ will be of particular interest to the NZSSD audience, as the dashboard will likely be a useful tool in improving regional diabetes outcomes.

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OP4 - THE IMPACT OF MULTIMORBIDITY ON THE ABILITY TO MAKE LIFESTYLE CHANGES IN THOSE WITH PREDIABETES AND EXCESS WEIGHT – A QUALITATIVE STUDY

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Background

Multimorbidity, where an individual is living with two or more conditions, is increasing world-wide. It is common among those with prediabetes, a risk factor for Type 2 diabetes (T2D) and cardiovascular disease. The aim of this study was to qualitatively examine the impact of multimorbidity on the ability to make lifestyle changes among adults with prediabetes and overweight/obesity.

Methods

In the primary care-based Prediabetes Intervention Package study, 58 participants were interviewed on completion of the 6-month intervention. They were asked about the impact of other health conditions on making lifestyle changes for their prediabetes. Interviews were transcribed and data analysed thematically. The socio-ecological model of personal, interpersonal, organisational, community and policy guided interpretation as to how multimorbidity impacted on ability to make lifestyle changes, how different conditions created challenges, and the ways these challenges were able to be overcome.

Results

Of the 58 participants, almost half (48%) were Māori. Participants ranged in age from 28-69 years. At 6 months 45% had regressed to normoglycaemia, and 55% had persisted with prediabetes or progressed to T2D. Fifty-five (95%) participants reported living with at least one other condition. More than half (53.4%) described how specific conditions were a barrier or challenge to making lifestyle changes. Joint pain reducing mobility, and mental health or stress, including weight stigma were the most frequently described difficulties. Health professional and community support such as free supportive pool access helped to overcome challenges. While there were challenges, many participants recognised their lifestyle changes not only positively impacted glycaemia and weight, but also other conditions e.g., hypertension, and dyslipidaemia.

Conclusions

This study confirmed multimorbidity is common among those with prediabetes and overweight/obesity, and this influenced their ability to implement lifestyle changes. The external environment presented challenges which often required interpersonal and community support to facilitate healthy lifestyle changes.

STATIC POSTER DISPLAY - Friday

P1 - IMPROVING DIABETES CARE THROUGH PATIENT IDENTIFICATION AND PRIORITISATION

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Background

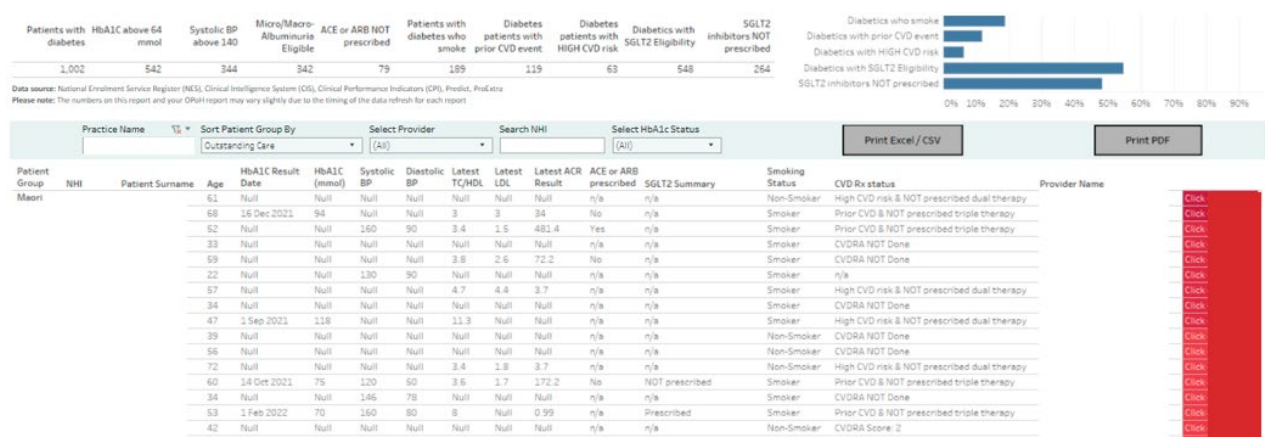
Practice Management Systems provide information on patient care at an individual patient level but does not allow a 'balcony view' of all diabetes indicators for each patient, nor according to each practice's diabetes register including outstanding care for those who may not be presenting to general practice or highlight indicators that are above desirable levels.

Methods

Working with GPs, we identified clinical indicators that are routinely measured and have the biggest impact on patient outcomes (also including patients meeting Pharmac SGLT-2 eligibility criteria). These indicators are aggregated into a single diabetes report that identifies each patient 15+years with diabetes (Type 1 and Type 2) in a practice and the areas of care that are complete or due for review. A patient is eligible for all elements of care from diagnosis of diabetes. The more areas that need reviewing (e.g. old blood tests or elevated ACR but no ACE/ARB prescription), the higher up on the list the patient will appear. The list is prioritised by Māori, Pacific, NZDep quintile 5, Indian (non-quintile 5), then other patients. Data for the report looks back five years. If a result is more than 15 months old, it will be considered 'due for review' (except for CVD risk assessment).

Results

Feedback from practices has been very positive, particularly being able to see all their patients in one view, and in a prioritised list. We have yet to see an impact on diabetes care, as this report was released just before Level 4 lockdown last year. Post-Omicron surge, we will promote the report again to practices.



Conclusion

Having a balcony view report of patients requiring care, enables practices to prioritise and proactively reach out to patients that have outstanding care needs. Co-designing the report with practices ensures meeting the needs of a busy practice.

P2 - IMPROVING MICROALBUMINURIA MANAGEMENT THROUGH OUR 'BETTER TOGETHER' COLLABORATIVES

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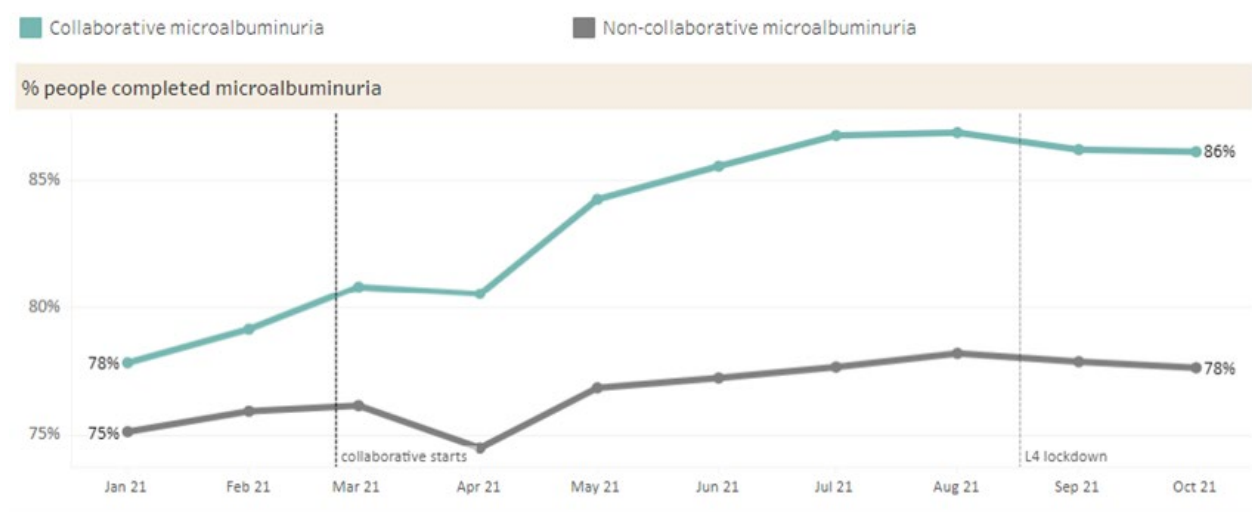
A quality improvement collaborative involves multiple practice teams coming together to learn, share and improve equity and performance for a given healthcare topic. In 2021 the PHO chose seven 'Better Together' collaborative topics, one of which was Microalbuminuria management.

Methods

Adapting international methodology, we developed 3x one-hour interactive Zoom sessions which were conducted over 6-8 months. In the sessions, practices identified barriers to management, their current baseline and goal for achievement. Teams were encouraged to document their processes of care and share change ideas. Between sessions, practices implemented PDSA cycles to review and improve management. The metric for improvement was the percentage of people with diabetes and an elevated ACR prescribed an ACE inhibitor or an ARB. Every practice could access eligible patient NHI lists and could monitor overall and ethnic-specific progress via practice-specific run charts. In addition, statistical process control charts and run charts were developed aggregating collaborative performance compared with the rest of the network (Control group).

Results

Nine of the 17 practice teams who were interested in participating in the microalbuminuria collaborative, attended one or more sessions. Overall, attending practices increased their management from 78% to 86% (8% absolute increase) compared to 75% to 78% (3% absolute increase) for the control group. Higher absolute increases were achieved for Māori (10%) and Pacific (9%) collaborative patients compared to network controls (3% and 2% respectively).



Other change ideas included the development of a patient hand out and video and use of exemption codes for patients not receiving treatment, to understand the proportion who are contraindicated, intolerant or decline treatment.

Conclusion

Virtual collaboratives are an effective way for practices to improve the management of microalbuminuria. They allow practices to identify other barriers to care which ProCare has been able to address and develop resources for our whole network.

P3 - PROJECT MABEL: A PROOF OF CONCEPT (POC) EVALUATION OF A CONSUMER PORTAL

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We tested the feasibility and usefulness of providing an online portal that enabled a small group of consumers of Northern Region District Health Boards' (DHBs') services to view their hospital letters, test results and medication records from Northern Region datasets and Ministry of Health (MOH) data systems. We branded this online portal as Mabel.

The user experience was limited to targeted cohorts, including a group of patients with diabetes, and a group with renal disease. The users taking part in the POC reported Mabel to have high usability and reported several benefits from having access to their health information. Not all those offered Mabel accepted the invitation and half of the users provided feedback. The majority of those that provided feedback reported using Mabel 2-3 times over a 3-6-week period. All users found Mabel to be useful and reported no issues with using it. The main benefits were around being able to access the information they did not otherwise have easy access to, having the information all in one place, being able to track information over time, being able to access it whenever they wanted, being able to correct information, and feeling more informed and involved in their care. Suggestions for improvement included having more information (such as appointment details, COVID and other results), being able to book appointments, linking to GP (General Practitioner) information, and being able to access children/others' information.

There are multiple ways to present healthcare information to consumers. The important finding from the POC is that we can make a person's healthcare information digitally available in a centralised place, and that they find it useful.

¹ Results taken from 'Accuracy assessment of bolus and basal rate delivery of different insulin pump systems used in insulin pump therapy of children and adolescents', Ziegler et al. 2020

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P4 - CLINICAL INERTIA IN WAIKATO PATIENTS WITH TYPE 2 DIABETES

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Aims and Objectives

Clinical inertia is the greatest barrier in preventing the recommended stepwise escalation of glucose lowering therapies in type 2 diabetes (T2D) to reach the target HbA1c of < 53 mmol/mol. In particular, insulin is recommended if the HbA1c is > 90 mmol/mol at any time, or if the HbA1c is above target on maximal other therapies. Given Covid has greatly impacted diabetes care, the aim of this study was to characterise clinical inertia in Waikato patients with T2D before the Covid pandemic.

Methods

Clinical data was collected for all patients with T2D who were dispensed any glucose lowering therapies ≥ 2 times in 2018 (n=4063) from 31 general practices in the Waikato region. Patients on insulin therapy in 2018 (n=1285) were excluded due to an inability to accurately determine whether escalation of therapy occurred in 2019.

Results

Fifty-four percent (n=1489) of patients had an HbA1c > 53 mmol/mol in 2018. Only 29% of these patients had an escalation of glucose lowering therapies in 2019 despite the HbA1c increasing in over a quarter (n=381) of the 93% (n=1380) that had a repeat HbA1c. Insulin therapy was commenced in only 18% of those with an HbA1c > 90 mmol/mol (n=146) and in none of the 16 participants with an HbA1c > 53 mmol/mol on maximal oral glucose lowering therapies. Failure to escalate any therapy was not related to the age, gender, or ethnicity of participants, or whether the practice was very low-cost access (P all > 0.05).

Conclusions

Less than half of patients with T2D had an HbA1c to target prior to Covid and the vast majority received no escalation of therapy. In particular, escalation to recommended insulin therapy seldom occurred. Substantial work is required to address clinical inertia in the management of Waikato patients with T2D.

P5 - THEY'RE SICKER THAN WE THINK: AN EXPLORATORY STUDY PROFILING THE CARDIO-METABOLIC HEALTH OF ADULTS WITH PRE-DIABETES IN AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND

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Background

Pre-diabetes detected by elevated glycated haemoglobin (HbA_{1c} 41-49 mmol/mol) is common and associated with progression to Type 2 diabetes mellitus. This study aimed to explore the cardio-metabolic health of a group of adults with pre-diabetes in Aotearoa/New Zealand (NZ). Secondly, we considered if tools evaluating multiple risk factors rather than glycaemia alone may be useful to identify those most needing interventions to prevent diabetes and optimise long-term health outcomes.

Methods

Baseline data from 153 NZ adults recruited to an intervention trial for adults with pre-diabetes were used to estimate the prevalence of metabolic syndrome (MetS) calculated using Adult Treatment Panel III criteria. These criteria include blood pressure, lipids, and obesity, in addition to glycaemic measures. The severity of MetS was calculated by MetS Z-scores. The associations of MetS severity related to sex, ethnicity, and HbA_{1c} were assessed by logistic regression and ANCOVA.

Results

Overall, 74% of the study population had MetS, and the prevalence varied according to ethnicity and HbA_{1c} level. The severity of MetS was highly variable, with MetS Z-scores ranging from -1.0 to 2.8. While mean MetS Z-scores differed according to ethnicity and HbA_{1c} level, all subgroups included individuals with widely differing severity of MetS, suggesting quite different risks for progression to diabetes or cardiovascular disease occur across the range of pre-diabetes defined by HbA_{1c}.

Conclusions

Single biochemical markers are unlikely to be sufficient to assess cardio-metabolic risk in pre-diabetes. Further development of MetS Z-scores or similar contemporary scores incorporating multiple variables and estimating a range of pre-diabetes-associated health risks may be useful. These could identify high-risk individuals most in need of pre-diabetes care, improve methods for monitoring treatment effects, have implications for reducing diabetes-related health inequities, and the optimal use of limited health care resources.

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ORAL POSTER PRESENTATIONS - Saturday

OP5 - THE EFFECT OF NON-FUNDED CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORING ON HEALTH EQUITY IN PAEDIATRIC DIABETES IN AOTEAROA, NEW ZEALAND.

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Background

Continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) is less invasive, and more sophisticated than fingerstick blood glucose monitoring. Real time CGM (RT-CGM) improves glycaemia and quality of life in a range of people with T1D. Despite reimbursement rates increasing globally, CGM systems are not funded in Aotearoa. The purpose of this cross-sectional study was to assess the effects of non-funded CGM on health equity in children with T1D in Aotearoa.

Methods

Demographic and clinical data were collected from all available children/adolescents with T1D managed by a secondary care diabetes centre in Aotearoa as of 01 October 2021. Relevant data was obtained from existing databases or electronic chart review and supplied to the researchers de-identified. Statistical analyses will describe differences in demographic variables (age, gender, district health board (DHB), ethnicity, NZ Deprivation score) between CGM and non-CGM users, and assess the association between glycaemic control, as measured by HbA1c, and CGM use.

Results

Data were returned for 1593 children/adolescents with T1D from all 20 DHBs. **Table 1** shows some preliminary results, with further analyses underway.

Conclusion

Preliminary results suggest inequities in CGM use according to ethnicity and DHB. CGM use is associated with lower HbA1c. The results of this study are highly relevant to the diabetes landscape in Aotearoa and will go some way to improving access to advanced diabetes technologies for children with T1D.

Table 1. CGM use by ethnicity and DHB, and HbA1c by CGM use.			
	CGM (%)	Non-CGM (%)	Total
Overall	1036 (65.0)	557 (35.0)	1593
Ethnicity			
- Māori	128 (48.1)	138 (51.9)	266
- NZ European	811 (73.3)	295 (26.7)	1106
DHB			
- Auckland/Counties Manukau/Waitemata	184 (48.8)	193 (51.2)	377
- Bay of Plenty	59 (76.6)	18 (23.4)	77
- Capital and Coast	91 (68.9)	41 (31.1)	132
- Canterbury	168 (81.6)	38 (18.4)	206
- Hawkes Bay	43 (56.6)	33 (43.4)	76
- Hutt Valley	49 (72.1)	19 (27.9)	68
- Lakes	23 (65.7)	12 (34.3)	35
- Mid central	42 (53.2)	37 (46.8)	79
- Nelson	42 (75)	14 (25)	56
- Northland	28 (54.9)	23 (45.1)	51
- South Canterbury	22 (56.4)	17 (43.6)	39
- Southern	133 (79.6)	34 (20.4)	167
- Tairāwhiti	10 (62.5)	6 (37.5)	16
- Taranaki	35 (63.6)	20 (36.4)	55
- Waikato	83 (69.7)	36 (30.3)	119
- Wairarapa	9 (100)	0	9
- Whanganui	15 (48.4)	16 (51.6)	31
Mean HbA1c mmol/mol (SD)	65.6 (3.5)	76.7 (5.2)	71.0 (7.2)

OP6 - IEC STANDARD TEST RESULTS FOR AN OPEN-SOURCE, ULTRA-LOW-COST INSULIN PUMP

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Background

Insulin pumps are the most consistent and accurate means of regulating blood glucose levels in T1 and T2 diabetes. However, insulin pump technology is underutilised due to high costs of NZ\$7,000-10,000 and limited reimbursement. An ultra-low-cost insulin pump made widely available with an open-source design would significantly improve equity of access to the best care and outcomes. This study presents results validating the accuracy of an open-source ultra-low-cost (<NZ\$150) insulin pump.

Methods

The low-cost insulin pump was tested in-vitro to the IEC 60601-2-24 standard and set at a basal rate of 1U/h, delivering a 0.25U dose every 15 minutes. over a 25-hour period following a 24-hour stabilisation period. Insulin delivery was measured by total displaced fluid mass with a microscale. Data was processed into trumpet curves per the unit standard. Data was also processed to calculate accuracy over individual 1-hour windows, and compared to published literature for the Medtronic 640G, Medtronic 670G, and Tandem t:Slm pumps.

Results

N=5 tests, with a total of 500 individual doses administered. Overall percentage error in each of the five tests was 0.60%, 0.54%, 2.35%, -0.90%, 0.30%. Accuracy across 1-hour windows was $\pm 15\%$ for 99% of doses, $\pm 10\%$ for 96.8% of doses and $\pm 5\%$ for 88.8% of doses. Comparable published data on commercial systems are shown in Table 1.

Table 1: Accuracy of Insulin pump dosing across 1-hour windows¹

Insulin Pump	Doses delivered to accuracy of within:		
	$\pm 15\%$	$\pm 10\%$	$\pm 5\%$
Medtronic 640G	95.6%	93.1%	84%
Medtronic 670G	99.4%	97.8%	90.3%
Tandem t:Slm	99.8%	98.9%	91.4%

Conclusion

We demonstrate highly accurate insulin dosing using a prototype ultra-low-cost insulin pump. Our data compares favourably with commercially available systems. Clinical testing and further validation are required to ensure the design is robust and meets or exceeds all IEC standard requirements.

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OP7 - INSULIN PUMP SPECIAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA IN NEW ZEALAND: A SURVEY OF PRESCRIBER OPINION AND PRACTICE

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Objective

Funding for insulin pump therapy (CSII) in New Zealand for people with type 1 diabetes is determined by meeting PHARMAC special authority (SA) criteria. We aimed to survey the opinion and practice of CSII prescribers with respect to the current SA criteria and contextualise the results with respect to contemporary literature and best practice.

Method

Quantitative and semi-qualitative survey of CSII prescribers in New Zealand. Mixed qualitative and quantitative analyses were used.

Results

Of the 94 survey respondents, 88% stated the criteria needed updating. However, 75% maintained CSII funding by PHARMAC should remain under updated SA criteria. Most (60%) of respondents thought the current criteria did not promote health equity for Māori and Pasifika. Only 33% of respondents strictly adhered to the criteria. Thematic analyses of free text responses indicated that the criteria did not reflect quality of life benefits offered by CSII, changes in life course, clinician or patient autonomy, and beneficence of CSII not otherwise stated in the current criteria.

Conclusion

The majority of CSII prescribers in New Zealand disagreed with the SA criteria, resulting in most not strictly adhering to them. Updated criteria are required to improve health equity and reflect best evidence.

OP8 - THE OPTIMISE STUDY PROTOCOL: A MULTICENTRE OPTIMISATION TRIAL COMPARING CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORING, SNACKING HABITS, SLEEP EXTENSION AND VALUES-GUIDED SELF-CARE INTERVENTIONS TO IMPROVE GLUCOSE TIME-IN-RANGE IN YOUTH WITH TYPE 1 DIABETES

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Introduction

Many young people with type 1 diabetes (T1D) experience higher than recommended glucose levels, increasing their risk for short- and long-term diabetes complications. Multicomponent interventions to improve glycaemic control, psychosocial and/or behavioural functioning may be more effective than single-component interventions in young people with type 1 diabetes, but may be more burdensome, and it is unknown which combination of components is most effective.

Aim

The OPTIMISE study uses a Multiphase Optimisation Strategy (MOST) to identify the best combination of four interventions targeting key diabetes self-care behaviours for use in clinical practice to improve short term glycaemic outcomes.

Methods:

This 6-week trial will recruit 80 young people (aged 13-20 years) with T1D (≥6 months duration), and pre-enrolment HbA1c ≥58 mmol/mol [7.5%] in the prior 6 months. Both main and interaction effects will be estimated using a linear regression model with change in glucose time-in-range (TIR: 3.9-10.0 mmol/L) as the primary outcome. Participants will be randomised to one of 16 conditions in a factorial design using four intervention components: 1) real-time continuous glucose monitoring, 2) targeted snacking education, 3) individualised sleep extension, and 4) values-guided self-care goal setting. Baseline and post-intervention glucose TIR will be assessed with blinded continuous glucose monitoring. Changes in self-care (snacking habits, sleep timing and duration, and psychosocial outcomes) will be assessed at baseline and post-intervention to determine if these interventions impacted behaviour change.

Discussion:

The study outcomes will enable selection of effective and efficient intervention components that increase glucose TIR in young people who struggle to achieve targets for glycaemic control. The optimised intervention will be evaluated to inform a future randomised controlled trial and guide planning of effective clinical interventions in adolescents and young adults living with type 1 diabetes.

Trial registration: Australian New Zealand Clinical Trials Registry ID: ACTRN12620001017910.

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P7 - DIY DIABETES TECHNOLOGY USE IN NEW ZEALAND IN 2022

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Introduction

Over the past 10 years a global type one diabetes user innovation community has emerged creating a range of do-it-yourself (DIY) and open-source diabetes technologies. These include off-label use of both flash glucose monitoring and continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) via third party technologies and open source CGM apps as well as multiple algorithms for open-source automated insulin delivery (AID). Although multiple randomised clinical trials of these technologies are being conducted within New Zealand, little is known about the existing users of DIY diabetes technologies within New Zealand.

Aim

To describe the existing DIY diabetes technology user-community including demographics, motivations for using DIY diabetes technologies, support needs of users, and perceived benefits of using DIY diabetes technologies.

Methods

A 31 item survey was developed using a co-design process with the trustees of Nightscout New Zealand. The project received an out-of-scope assessment from the Health and Disability Ethics Committee and was submitted to the University of Waikato Human Research Ethics Committee. The survey will be conducted online via SurveyMonkey in late March. The survey will be promoted through the New Zealand diabetes online community. Quantitative data will be analysed in Microsoft Excel to produce descriptive statistics. Qualitative data will be analysed using thematic analysis.

Results

Results will be presented at the NZSSD meeting in May.

Conclusion

The findings from this survey will be of benefit to clinicians with DIY diabetes technology users in their care, as well as to Nightscout New Zealand, to inform their work in supporting users of new diabetes technologies.

P8 - SMART WATCH INTEGRATED DO-IT-YOURSELF CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORING (DIY-CGM) IN ADULTS WITH TYPE 1 DIABETES - A QUALITATIVE STUDY

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Aims

To explore experiences of adults with type 1 Diabetes (T1D) using a smartwatch integrated "Do-it-yourself" continuous glucose monitoring (DIY-CGM) system.

Methods

This qualitative study takes advantage of a funded RCT investigating glycaemic control in adults living with T1D using DIY-CGM (MiaoMiao combined with Abbott Freestyle Libre). Convenience sampling was used to recruit participants. Semi-structured interviews investigated user experience with DIY-CGM. Key themes were identified using thematic analysis.

Results

Interviews were conducted with 12 participants who had been using DIY-CGM for a minimum of one month. Participants noted a perception that DIY-CGM helped them improve their glycaemic control. Alarm and trend functionality were useful in allowing participants to avoid hypo/hyper-glycaemic events overnight and to better manage glucose levels after high carbohydrate meals. Smartwatch integration meant users could be alerted overnight without waking their partners. Barriers identified included signal loss during high-intensity exercise and alarm fatigue whilst using the smartwatch. Short battery life was also identified as a disadvantage of MiaoMiao use. Only one participant used remote monitoring. Almost all participants (11 out of 12) intended to use DIY-CGM or upgrade to real-time continuous glucose monitoring (rtCGM) after the end of the trial.

Conclusions

DIY-CGM allowed the participants to harness the functionalities of real time CGM (rtCGM) that were important to their self-management priorities, namely alarms and trend information, without the expense of commercial rtCGM. Trend data appeared to inform behavioural changes, including the timing of pre-meal boluses. Glucose threshold alerts appeared valuable overnight. Participants identified a number of technical challenges with DIY-CGM use. Namely, the short battery life, limited compatibility with non-Android devices and Bluetooth connectivity issues. Smartwatch Bluetooth connectivity was reported to be particularly unreliable. Despite these inconveniences, DIY-CGM with support and training appears an affordable solution for people with T1DM in countries that do not have universal funding for rtCGM technology.

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P10 - URINARY VITAMIN C EXCRETION IS INAPPROPRIATELY ELEVATED IN PEOPLE WITH HYPOVITAMINOSIS C AND DIABETES

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Background

Healthy participants subjected to prolonged dietary vitamin C restriction have no measurable urinary vitamin C. Healthy individuals are therefore able to conserve vitamin C. Previous research has shown that people with diabetic nephropathy and hypovitaminosis C have a reduced ability to conserve their urinary vitamin C, but these studies were small. This study aimed to measure urinary vitamin C in people with diabetes and hypovitaminosis C and explore possible associations between elevated urinary vitamin C and other clinical variables.

Methods

Adult participants from a previous cardiorenal biomarker study who were willing to provide permission to allow measurement of vitamin C in their stored urine and plasma samples, were included. Subsequent clinical comparisons were then undertaken in participants with hypovitaminosis C, defined as a plasma vitamin C <23 µmol/L.

Results

There were 64 participants with hypovitaminosis C, 25 with T1DM and 39 with T2DM. Of these, 83% had measurable urinary vitamin C. Participants were categorised into two equal subgroups, by urinary vitamin C concentrations greater or less than 17.8 µmol/L. (This value represents the median urine concentration for the 64 participants). When comparing results for these two subgroups of participants, there were no differences in median values for the following variables: Age, plasma vitamin C, plasma cystatin C, HbA1c, eGFR, urinary albumin:creatinine ratio and BMI. Thus, the clinical characteristics of hypovitaminosis C patients with high and those with lower urinary vitamin C concentrations, were similar.

Conclusions

The occurrence of inappropriately high urinary vitamin C excretion in people with both diabetes and hypovitaminosis C, is not restricted to those with known renal disease; it can occur in the absence of obvious underlying renal disease. This inability to conserve vitamin C is likely to be one of several reasons why plasma vitamin C levels tend to be low in people with diabetes.

P11 - NOT STRAIGHTFORWARD TYPE 1 DIABETES

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Patient referred to diabetes clinic as recent immigrant from South Africa with a diagnosis of Type 1 diabetes for 5 years. One grandparent had diabetes but no first degree relative. Patient is a slim 30-year-old Caucasian female. She had brought a year's supply of biphasic insulin from South Africa but had run out some 4 months before. Patient had not had DKA but control poor with HBA1C 119. Patient prescribed insulin and tested for Type 1 diabetes. Islet cell antibodies negative and C peptide 891 pmol/L, results not supporting a diagnosis of T1 diabetes.

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This case highlights an unusual cause of MODY and the observation that first degree family history may be absent in a significant number of MODY cases.

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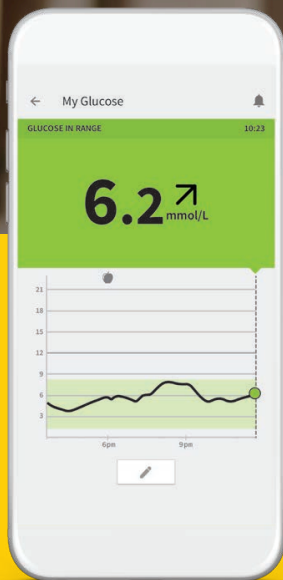
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The economic and emotional burden of needlestick injuries (NSIs)



18,730

NSIs occur in Australia every year¹



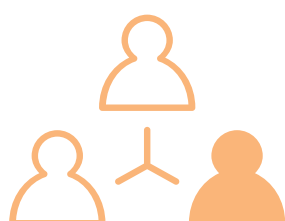
Injection procedures account for



Testing and associated staff time can cost up to **\$256** per NSI⁴



Counselling is often sought following a NSI, each session can cost up to **\$105**⁵



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1 in 4 nurses in long term care (LTC) have suffered from NSI in nursing homes^{7^}



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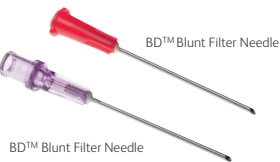
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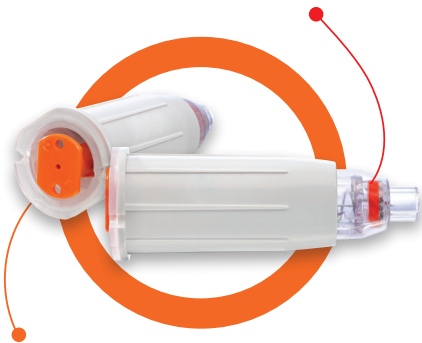
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