

30 million cases of diabetes cost the US public more than \$245 billion annually.

## **Diabetes insipidus**

**Definition**: Set of incurable hormone deficiencies

Incidence: 3 in 100,000

Symptoms: Excess urination (polyuria up to 20L a day) and thirst (polydipsia),

no effect on the glucose levels

Complications: Dehydration, seizures etc.

Types: Four main including central DI results from insufficient production of the

antidiuretic hormone vasopressin

1955 Nobel prize in Chemistry awarded to Vincent du Vigneaud for synthesis of polypeptide hormones (including vasopressin)

### **Diabetes mellitus**

**Definition**: Set of incurable metabolic disorders characterized by

hyperglycemia (excessive glucose in the blood)

**Incidence**: 770 in 100,000

**Symptoms**: polyuria + polydipsia + polyphagia (the hyperglycemic triad),

headache, fatigue, blurred vision, poor wound healing

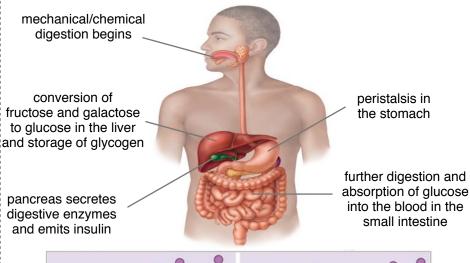
**Acute complications**: hyperglycemic emergencies result in diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA) and hyperosmolar hyperglycemic state (HHS)

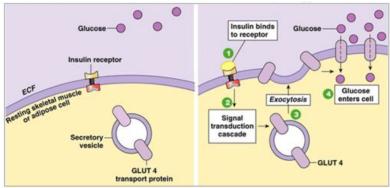
**Chronic complications**: risk of cardiovascular disease (fatty acid deposits more build up quickly), stroke, kidney disease, nerve damage, foot ulcers,

eye damage, sexual dysfunction

Types: Multiple

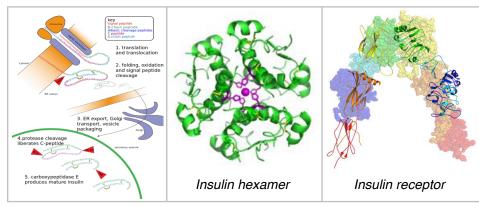
Glucose digestion and cellular uptake





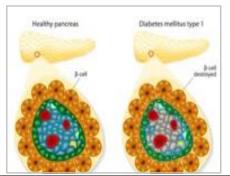
#### Insulin

- TFs PDX1, NeuroD1, MafA promote expression upon high glucose levels
- Stored as a hexamer in pancreatic  $\beta$ -cells, active as a monomer ( $t_{1/2} = 5 \text{ min}$ )
- Increases glucose uptake + fat storage (deactivates glycogen synthase kinase)
- 51 amino acids, 5808 Da, A-chain and B-chain dimer linked by disulfide bonds
- Sequenced in 1955 by Sanger, X-ray in 1969 by Dorothy Hodgkin
- Varies between species (three AA difference in bovine, one in porcine)
- Since 2006 all insulin distributed in US is recombinant human



Type 1 DM ('insulin-dependent', 'juvenile')

- <u>An autoimmune disease limits insulin production.</u> (TT-cell mediated attack on β-cells, cause unknown although genetic and viral factors)
- 6% of DM usually developing in children, teenagers.
- Rapid development of symptoms (DKA likely)
- Diagnose by fasting blood glucose level, monitor via HbA<sub>1C</sub>
- 20 year decrease in life expectancy

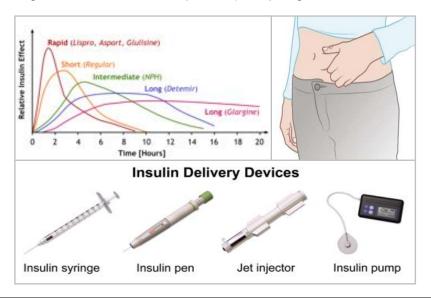


### Acute complication: Diabetic ketoacidosis

- Lack of insulin promotes ketogenesis resulting in ketoacidosis (decreased pH in the blood)
- Symptoms include weakness, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, hyperventilation (respiratory alkalosis removes CO<sub>2</sub> to lower blood H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>)
- Simultaneous osmotic diuresis results in polyuria, polydipsia, cramps, vision trouble, altered level of consciousness
- Can lead to cerebral edema and death
- Treat with IV, potassium replacement and insulin therapy
- 135,000 hospital admissions annually in the US due to DKA

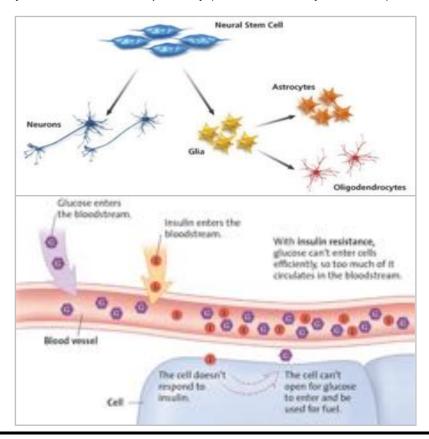
## **Insulin therapy**

- Goal is tight blood-sugar control to prevent DKA
- Many dosing regimes to cover basal (background; food, exercise, health)
  and bolus (carbohydrate coverage) insulin replacement
- Side effect = weight gain, risk of hypo/hyperglycaemia if not managed
- Aim for 70-130 mg/dL before meals and <180 mg/dL 1-2 h after meals
- Subcutaneous injection and inhalation available, oral under massive investigation
- Analogues offer different ADME profiles (mainly single residue modifications)



## Type 2 DM ('non-insulin-dependent', ''adult-onset')

- Cells fail to respond to insulin correctly due to resistance
- Reduction in insulin production possible (pancreatic β-cell amyloid buildup)
- 90% of DM, later onset than type 1
- Risk factors incl. genetic and physiological (including overweight, inactive lifestyle, smoking, vit D deficiency)
- Type 1 symptoms observed + weight gain (insulin effect)
- Same method of diagnosis as type 1 (check blood sugar and HbA<sub>1C</sub>)
- Insulin/IGF1 play a role in neural stem cell differentiation via the PI3K/AKT pathway. Overloading via excessive glucose ingestion causes the body to desensitize insulin receptors (as observed in pregnancy)
- 10 year decrease in life expectancy (CV, stroke, kidney failure etc.)

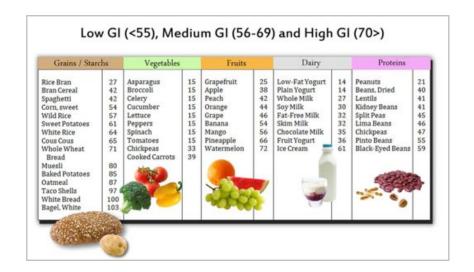


### Acute complication: Hyperosmolar hyperglycemic state

- Osmotic diuresis without significant ketogenesis ( due to sufficient insulin in the blood)
- Complications may include seizures, blod clots, mesenteric ischemia and rhabdomyolysis
- Usually preceded by infection
- Treat with IV, low mw heparin, potassium replacement, antibiotics
- Common especially in eldery (exact frequency unknown)

#### **Treatment: Diet and exercise**

- Excess body fat associated with 30% (Chinese), 60-80% (European/ African) and 100% (Pacific Islanders) of cases
- Vigorous exercise once per week found to reduce risk of type 2 by 30%
- Glycemic index rates foods by how much and how quickly they raise blood glucose
- Weight loss surgery is effective for patients unable to control blood sugar



#### **Treatment: Medications**

Metformin

**Overview**: First-line, oral delivery, generic: \$5-\$25 per month,  $t_{1/2} = 6$ h in plasma i Me

History: Introduced 1957 France, 1995 US, WHO LEM

**Action**: suppress gluconeogenesis in liver (not well understood) and increases insulin sensitivity (stimulates GLUT4)

**Possible side effects**: Diarrhea, nausea, abdominal pain, lactic acidosis **Contraindications**: Any risk of LA (kidney disorder, liver/lung disease)

Glipizide (2<sup>nd</sup>) - Pfizer

Gliclazide (2<sup>nd</sup>) WHO LEM, \$4 per month,

Overview: Oral delivery, generally disfavored due to weight gain

History: Discovered 1942

**Action**: stimulates insulin secretion, evidence of increased sensitivity and decreased lipolysis

**Possible side effects**: Risk of hypoglycemia, weight gain, gastrointestinal, headache. CV

Contraindications: Liver/kidney impairment (hypoglycemia risk)

## Meglitinides

Repaglinide - Novo Nordisk

CO<sub>2</sub>H

Nateglinide - Novartis

Overview: Similar to sulfonylureas but milder

History: Main branded drug is repaglinide which gained FDA approval in 1997

#### **Thiazolidinediones**

Rosiglitazone - GSK (released 1999, \$2.5 bn in 2006,

Pioglitazone - Takeda (\$2.4 bn in US in 2008)

linked to heart attack in 2007, EMA

Troglitazone - Parke-Davis then Pfizer

(FDA approval against recommendation in 1997, heptatoxicity discovered, Pfizer have resolved claims to cost of \$750 million)

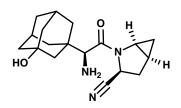
Overview: Disfavored due to numerous side effects

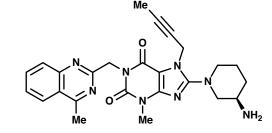
History: Multiple controversies, withdrawals

Action: increase storage of fatty acids in the liver

Possible side effects: Various including bladder cancer, CV

## Dipeptidyl peptidase-4 inhibitors





Saxagliptin - BMS/AstraZeneca

Linagliptin - Boehringer Ingelheim/Lilly

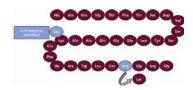
Overview: Relatively new class of drugs, oral delivery

History: First agent - sitagliptin - approved by FDA in 2006

**Action**: The DPP-4 enzyme inactivates incretins which inhibit glucagon release **Possible side effects**: Heart failure, severe joint pain, headache, nausea, rash

### Glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonists







- h-Albun

Liraglutide - Novo Nordisk

Albiglutide - GSK

Overview: Lower risk of hypoglycemia, subcutaneous delivery

History: New class, four drugs FDA approved since 2014

Action: increase insulin secretion

Possible side effects: weight loss, unclear risk of pancreatic cancer

Sodium-glucose transport protein 2 inhibitors/gliflozin drugs

Canagliflozin - Janssen

Dapagliflozin - BMS/AstraZeneca

Overview: Low chance of DDI, oral delivery, administed w/o regard for meals

**History**: Newest class of drugs on the market

Possible side effects: weight loss, CV benefit, ketoacidosis, UTI, hypoglycemia

# Other types of diabetes mellitus

Prediabetes: leads to type 2

Gestational: 2-5% of pregnant women affected, hormones interfere with

insulin. Usually disappears but greater risk of type 2 in future

Type 3c (pancreatogenic): Possibly 5-10% of all diabetic cases. 80% of

cases result from chronic pancreatitis

CF-related: Mucus causes scarring of the pancreas

Mitochondrial: Gradual pancreatic beta-cell dysfunction upon aging

**LADA**: Latent version of type 1 **MODY**: hereditary, 11 types

Neonatal DM: Monogenic, occurs in first 6 months

'Type 3': Alzheimer's

## Future therapeutics: Advanced glycation end-products (AGE)

- Glycation (non-enzymatic glycosylation) is the addition of a sugar to a protein (usually via lysine) or lipid
- Implicated in age-related diseases e.g. Alzheimers, CV, cancer, blindness, stroke, kidney failure etc
- Particularly bad in long lived cells incl. pancreatic β-cells
- Glucose usually has a low rate of glycation (10 times less than fructose), but accelerated due to higher concentration with DM
- Multiple (unknown) deleterious pathways and potential therapies

# Degradation of asparagine