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# Patients with Diabetes Mellitus at PMCH Nawabshah

Depression among Diabetics

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# **ABSTRACT**

Objective: We will assess depressive symptoms with diabetes on diabetes self care treatment non adherence, functioning and health care.

Study Design: Cross sectional study

**Place and Duration of Study:** This study was conducted at the Department of Medicine, PMCH Nawabshah from Jan 2016 to dec 2016.

**Materials and Methods:** 120 patients both males and females were selected for this study. We administered a Questionaire to 120 patients with type 1 and type 2 Diabetes, depressive symptoms, diabetes control, self care.

Assess the impact of depressive symptoms on adherence to diabetes self care HbA1c levels functional impairment and health care.

**Results:** 120 cases were selected, 79 were males 41 were females, 25 pts were of type 1, 95 were of type 2. Depression was diagnosed using the structural clinical interview using Beck s Depression Inventory.

**Conclusion:** Findings demonstrate association of depression with diabetes clinical consideration, treatment non adherence, proper drug treatment of diabetes, depression, self care and counseling motality can be reduced with incidence of depression.

Key Words: Depression, Diabetes Mellitus, Complications, Glycemic control, Treatment, Quality of life.

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## INTRODUCTION

Diabetes mellitus is chronic illness present in 2 to 5 percent population. Diabetes Mellitus is common problem, 180 million people affected with this disease world wide.<sup>1</sup>

This count can be doubled in  $2030^2$ . There are two types of Diabetes Mellitus, type 1 and type 2. Insulin therapy for type 1, oral anti diabetic drugs for type 2 and for uncontrolled type 2 Diabetes Mellitus insulin therapy is recommended.

Depression is more in diabetic than in general population with poor quality of life,<sup>3</sup> patients with diabetes mellitus are 1.4 to 3 times to suffer from co morbid depression as compared to non diabetic.<sup>4</sup>

Uncontrolled diabetes Mellitus with Increase in blood glucose level incidence of complications are increased.<sup>5</sup>. Depression in Diabetes Mellitus is due to non adherence to treatment and self care.<sup>6</sup>

Risk factors for Depression in Diabetes mellitus are younger age, female, unmarried or divorce and widow,

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lower socioeconomic level, poor glucose control low social support, ,low education level, complications of Diabetes mellitus, any medical co morbidity and past history of depression. Risk of type 2 Diabetes Mellitus with Depressed Patients is reported to be as high as 1.6.8

Depressive symptoms are more in type 2 diabetic patients as compared to type 1 patients.<sup>9</sup>

Depression is more noted in Diabetes Mellitus with complications as compared without complications in both type1 and type 2 Diabetes Mellitus.<sup>10</sup>

With relationship between depression and diabetes depression may be risk factor for the onset of diabetes. In Increased risk of diabetes type 2 patients with depression is due to increased counterregulatory harmone release, disturbance in glucose transport function and raised immuno inflammatory activation. Insulin resistance and beta cell dysfunction result due to above physiological mechanism and development of type 2 diabetes mellitus. Poor glycemic control associated with depression in diabetes both type 1 and type 2 patients. In the control associated with depression in diabetes both type 1 and type 2 patients. In the control associated with depression in diabetes both type 1 and type 2 patients.

High HbA1c level associate with depression in diabetes. <sup>14</sup> Depressive symptoms are associated with poor adherence to self care particularly medications, diet and exercise. <sup>15</sup> In a review of treatment adherence among patients with depression in diabetes, it was observed relationship between depression and treatment nonadherence. <sup>16</sup> Comorbid depression among patients

with diabetes associated with less physical activity, unhealthy diet, and lower adherence to oral drugs, hypoglycemic, antihypertensives, and ipid lowering <sup>17</sup> Unsatisfactory metabolic control associated with psychiatric comorbidity, depression in diabetes associated with inadequate metabolic control in those patients with poor glycemic control despite good medical treatment. As a consequence poor disease control morbidity and mortality is increased <sup>18</sup>

# MATERIALS AND METHODS

This cross sectional study was carried out in the Department of Medicine PMCH Nawabshah from Jan 2015 to Dec 2016, this study was conducted to observe depression in diabetes with other complications of diabetes in a population poor adherence to treatment and quality of life. Informed consent was taken from the patients questionaire was

Given to all patients data collected according to Ouestionnaire.

Depression was assessed using structural clinical interview using Beck s Depression Inventory on separate questionaire.

Level of depression according BDI

1	$\mathcal{E}$
Total score	Level of Depression
1-10	These ups and downs are considered
	normal
11-16	Mild mood disturbance
17-20	Border line clinical Depression
21-30	Moderate Depression
31-40	Severe Depression
Over 40	extreme Depression

#### **Inclusion criteria:**

Males and females age 12ys to 60ys depressed patients DM type 1 and 2

#### **Exclusion Criteria:**

Age below 12 ys and above 60 ys Severe Psychotic illness

Severe medical illness

In order to get correct information Questionnaire was translated into Urdu and Sindhi languages

## RESULTS

120 cases were selected for this study 79 were males 41 were females 90 patients belonged to Rural areas 30 belonged to Arabian areas.

	Age	no of patients
$\triangleright$	12-24ys	20
$\triangleright$	25-40ys	31
	40-60ys	69

# Depression as per education

Illiterate 56

Primary	19
Middle	15

Metric	9
Intermediate	7
Graduation	6
Masters	8

## Depression as per marital status

Married	83
Single	8
Widow	19
Divorced	10

#### Depression as per occupation

Farmer	64
House wife	26
Unemployed	10
Service	7
Business	5
Laborer	8

## **Depression Socioeconomic status**

Lower	80
Middle	39
Upper	1

## **Investigations**

۶	RBS	no of patients
	140-185	60
	185-300	40
×	300-450	20

#### HbA1c Level

				Valid	Cumulative
		Frequency	Percent	Percent	Percent
Valid	6.5	58	48.3	48.3	48.3
	7.5	32	26.7	26.7	75.0
	8.5	30	25.0	25.0	100.0
	Total	120	100.0	100.0	

**Becks Depression Scale status** 

				Valid	Cumulative
		Frequency	Percent	Percent	Percent
Valid	19.00	1	.8	.8	.8
	20.00	3	2.5	2.5	2.5
	21.00	1	.8	.8	.8
	23.00	1	.8	.8	.8
	24.00	2	1.7	1.7	1.7
	25.00	6	5.0	5.0	5.0
	26.00	4	3.3	3.3	3.3
	27.00	8	6.7	6.7	6.7
	28.00	29	24.2	24.2	24.2
	29.00	26	21.7	21.7	21.7
	30.00	36	30.0	30.0	30.0
	31.00	2	1.7	1.7	1.7
	32.00	1	.8	.8	.8
	Total	120	100.0	100.0	100.0

#### HbA1c

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	6.5	58
$\triangleright$	7.5	32
	8.5	30

8.5 in 25 patients type 2 was present in 95 patients diabetic ketoacidosis in 16 patients diabetic foot in 70 diabetic retinopathy in 6 pulmonary TB 10 neuropathy 11 diabetic nephropathy 7.

Statistical analysis was done on SPSS 15 version.

**Descriptive Statistics** 

					Std.
	N	Min.	Max.	Mean	Deviation
Age In Groups	120	15.00	60.00	42.9583	12.24703
Radum Blood Sugar evel	120	160.00	450.00	254.5833	86.09078
HbA1c Level	120	6.5	8.5	7.267	.8274
Becks Depression Scale status	120	19.00	32.00	28.1750	2.35026
Valid N (listwise)	120				

HbA1c Level

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	Sum of	<b>D</b> 2	Mean	-	a.		
	Squares	Df	Square	F	Sig.		
Between Groups	12.821	12	1.068	1.665	.085		
Within Groups	68.646	107	.642				
Total	81.467	119					

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Becks Scale BY RBS

**Becks Depression Scale status** 

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	Sum of Squares	Df	Mean Square	F	Sig.	
Between Groups	247.972	37	6.702	1.343	.136	
Within Groups	409.353	82	4.992			
Total	657.325	119				

**ONEWAY** 

Becks Scale BY HbA1c

**Becks Depression Scale status** 

	Sum of Squares	Df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Between Groups	10.495	2	5.247	.949	.390
Within Groups	646.830	117	5.528		
Total	657.325	119			

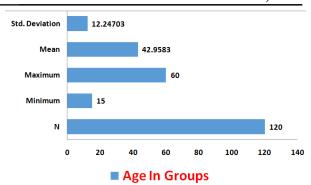
T-Test

PAIRS = HbA1c RBS WITH BecksScale BecksScale (Paired)

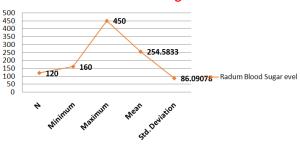
Criteria = CI(.95)

**Paired Samples Correlations** 

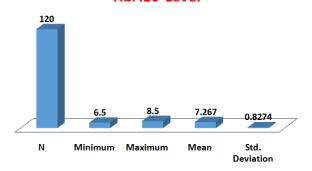
		N	Correlation	Sig.
Pair 1	HbA1c Level & Becks Depression Scale status	120	035	.704
Pair 2	Radum Blood Sugar evel & Becks Depression Scale status	120	006	.949



## Radum Blood Sugar evel



HbA1c Level





■ Becks Depression Scale status

# **DISCUSSION**

Depression is common problem in diabetes prevalent and negative impact in clinical outcomes, quality of life, associated with increased mortality in DM.<sup>19</sup>

The factors could explain the occurrence of depression in diabetes. Dietary restrictions, financial problems, treatment demands and hospitalization contribute to depression. Severe Depressive symptoms associated with less adherence to dietary recommendations. Depression associated with high level of HbA1c level. Depression in Diabetes mellitus is higher in younger as compared with older age<sup>20</sup>. It has been found that patients with Depression in diabetes mellitus are knowledgeable about Diabetes and more likely depressed. 10 to 15 percent patients with diabetes have major Depression.<sup>21</sup> Depression associated with social with drawl disengagement from social activities, patients with increased level of depression report more.<sup>22</sup> Study has shown that in Diabetes Depression is associated with poor glucose control than HbA1c levels. Depression associated with poor physical health.<sup>23</sup> With poor glucose control there are changes in autonomic nervous system hypothalamic adrenal axis and neurotransmitter.24 According to winokur et al Depression associated with insulin resistance compared with without depression<sup>24</sup>. Depression is directly related to Diabetic complications, retinopathy and macro vascular complications.<sup>25</sup> Depression diabetes and cardiovascular disease are closely related, depression in diabetes increases risk of cardiovascular disease<sup>26,27</sup>. Depression and diabetes associated with decrease in physical activity, smoking and diet.<sup>28</sup> Depression associated with activation of the hypothalamic pituitary adrenal axis and release of cytokines disturbance in sympathetic nervous system and increases the risk of mortality<sup>29</sup> It has been shown that antidepressants and cognitive behavioral therapy reduces HbA1c levels.<sup>30</sup> In this study screening for depression in Diabetes mellitus is compulsory. Screening, identification and treatment of depression improve symptoms and functional outcome in primary care patients.<sup>31</sup>

keton et al report in a study 43 out of 85 patients incomplete rate of correct recognition depression over a year of study.<sup>31</sup> American diabetic association recommends in DM with poor control should be screened for depression.<sup>32</sup> We found weaker relationship between depression diet, and medication adherence, management of depression in Diabetes mellitus seems to be costeffective.<sup>33</sup> appointments are associated with increased provider frustration and decreased empathy.<sup>34</sup> It has been found that there is no evidence to suggest that relationship between depression self-care varied as a function of type of diabetes and major depression it was found that severity of depression BMI total fat mass and HbA1C decreased during acute phase treatment and adherence to diet and exercise improved. 35

Randomized controlled trials suggesting treatment of depression in diabetes has positive effects on diabetes self-care has been lacking trial of antidepressants cognitive behavioral therapy<sup>36</sup>. There are data to suggest

that Depression is associated with poor blood glucose control<sup>36</sup>

# **CONCLUSION**

Depression in diabetes is a chronic illness of unknown etiology several neuroendocrine and neurotransmitters abnormalities are same to diabetes and depression. Treatment of depression with antidepressant drugs improve mood and blood glucose level in diabetes mellitus. Glycemic control is improved by antidepressant drugs and anti diabetic drugs quality of life is improved.

**Conflict of Interest:** The study has no conflict of interest to declare by any author.

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