

Mauriac Syndrome; A Rare Complication of T1 DM

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Introduction

Mauriac syndrome (MS) is characterized by excessive intrahepatic glycogen deposition, attributed to severe hyperglycemia which diffuses by insulin-independent GLUT 2 to be trapped inside hepatocytes as G -6-phosphate.

It can rarely occur in poorly controlled T1 diabetic adolescents and is complicated by hepatomegaly, short stature, delayed puberty and hypertriglyceridemia

Case report

17 years old T1 diabetic female patient since the age of 9 on insulin glargine and prandial regular insulin, not compliant on treatment with frequent DKA, presented by short stature and delayed puberty (No menarche, thelarche or pubarche), she also developed marked abdominal distension with no pain or jaundice.

Physical examination

Height was 133 cm, <3rd percentile, proportionate. BMI was 19.7 kg/m2. Normal vital signs, (breast & pubic hair: tanner stage 1). The abdominal examination showed soft hepatomegaly. liver span of 17.5 cm Cardiac, and chest examination were normal. no evidence of diabetic retinopathy or neuropathy.

Investigations

HbA1c was 9.6%, A/C ratio: 25 mg/g His hepatic panel revealed high liver transaminases. ALT: 325 U/I(10-50 U/I), AST: 1245 U/I (N: 0-38 U/I) cholesterol: 360

mg/dl, LDL: 249 mg/dl, Serum triglycerides: 240 mg/dl , low Transferrin sat. : 10%, low corrected Ca: 8 mg/dl, low vit D: 9 ng/ml,, low PTH: 10 pg/ml, High TSH: 6.27 uU/ml with normal FT4 , LH: 0.28 mIU/ml (1.7-8.6 mIU/ml) FSH: 1.7 mIU/ml(N: 1.5-12.1) Estradiol: <5 pg/ml (2.5 -8.4) indicative of hypogonadotropic hypogonadism. anti-TTG IgA, Anti TPO were negative, HBsAg HCV Ab: negative and Abdominal ultrasound: Enlarged liver with uniform soft fatty echo pattern, span of right lobe 17.5 cm, thyroid US was normal bone age: 14 years, MRI sella was normal.

Follow-up labs after control of last attack of DKA and strict glycemic control: ALT: 25 U/I, AST: 21U/I

Conclusion

However, it is rare, MS should be suspected in uncontrolled T1DM with hepatomegaly, growth retardation, and delayed puberty as proper management could correct the condition.

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