

## Clinical characteristics, genotype and phenotype correlations and follow up of patients with hyperinsulinaemic hypoglycaemia; A single center experience from a southeastern city of Turkey

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### OBJECTIVES

CHI is a clinically, genetically and histologically heterogenous disease. In recent years substantial development have been observed in the genetics, imaging techniques and treatment options. We, herein, reports the clinical characteristics, genetics and follow-up of 31 CHI patients from a single paediatric endocrine center with a particular emphasis on the new treatment options.

### METHODS

Clinical characteristics, biochemical features and molecular genetics analysis, treatment options and longterm follow up of patients with CHI was collected from the patients' hospital files.

### RESULTS

The number of patients recruited was 31(18 females). A mutation was detected in 16 out of 23 (%69.5) patients who a molecular genetics analysis performed. Of which 15 had mutation in *ABCC8* and one in *HADH*. All patients with an *ABCC8* mutation were diazoxide unresponsive. Five were underwent surgery. Two patients were managed with sirolimus until their ages of 3 and 10 months when sirolimus stopped due to hepatotoxicity. Post-sirolimus trial of octreotide treatment achieved normoglycaemia and patients did not require pancreatectomy. In total 10 patients was managed with the long-acting somatostatin analogs, octreotide LAR/lanreotide. A female with homozygous *ABCC8* mutation developed diabetes at the 4<sup>th</sup> year of octreotideLAR treatment, when she was 15 years-old (HbA1c:8%). Hyperglycaemia is now being successfully managed with dietary intervention. All of the other 9 patients with *ABCC8* mutation, including her younger brother with identical mutation, are being managed with octreotideLAR successfully and with no severe side effects. One patient with *HADH* mutation has protein sensitive, diazoxide responsive CHI. She is now 8 years-old and has a good neurodevelopmental outcome. 6 out of 8 patients who a mutation analysis was not available were diazoxide responsive. Treatment of 2 patients was switched to the LAR due to poor compliance to the diazoxide therapy.

**Table 1.** Phenotype genotype characteristics and follow up of 16 patients with a mutation result

Pt/sex	Current age (years)	Age at diagnosis (day)	Gene	Mutation	Zygoty	Treatment			Current treatment	Follow up
						Diazoxide	Octreotide	Pancreatectomy		
1/M	5	2	ABCC8	p.Ala1185Glu	Homozygous	-	+		LAR	Delay in speech, Feeding with N/G tube
2/F	8	30	ABCC8	p.Ala1185Glu	Homozygous	-	+/-		LAR	Developmental delay
3/F	9	NA	ABCC8	p.Ala1185Glu	Homozygous	NA	NA		-	Epilepsy Sister of patient 1 Admitted at the age of 9 years Severe neuro-developmental delay
4/M			ABCC8	p.Leu533Pro (p.L533P)	Homozygous	-	+/-			Epilepsy Died due to sepsis at another clinic at the age of 2 months
5/M	4.5	5	ABCC8	p.Ala1185Glu	Homozygous	-	+		LAR	Mild neurodevelopmental delay Poor compliance
6/F	3	6 months	ABCC8	N1349fs Heterozigot	Heterozygous (Paternal)	-	+		LAR	Normoglycaemic Normal neurodevelopment
7/F	3	1	ABCC8	A1185E	Homozygous	-	-/+		LAR	Received sirolimus for 3 months. Subsequently good response to the octreotide MDI than replaced to the LAR Now is normoglycemic with monthly LAR Normal neurodevelopment
8/F	3.5	1	ABCC8	H59P	Homozygous	-	-		LAR	Received sirolimus for 10 months. Subsequently good response to the octreotide MDI than replaced to the LAR Now is normoglycemic with monthly LAR Normal neurodevelopment
9/F	13,9	7	ABCC8	p.Leu1171fs (p.L1171fs)	Homozygous	-	+		Off-medication	Severe neurodevelopmental delay Developed diabetes mellitus at the 3rd year of LAR treatment
10/M	9,9	7	ABCC8	p.Leu1171fs (p.L1171fs)	Homozygous	-	+		LAR	Normoglycemic with monthly LAR Severe neurodevelopmental delay
11/M	NA	15	ABCC8	p.Leu1171fs (p.L1171fs)	Homozygous	-	-	+(42 days)	Missed f/up visits	Cured Did not come regular follow up visit post-surgery Histology: Diffuse
12/M	-	10	ABCC8	p.Arg168Cys (p.R168C)/p.Asn188Ser (p.N188S)	Compound heterozygous	-	-	+(40 days)	Exitus	Was normoglycemic at the postsurgical follow up visit of 2 months Had a normal neurodevelopment Died due to hepatic failure of unknown etiology Histology: Diffuse
13/M			ABCC8	p.Leu1171fs (p.L1171fs)	Paternal	-	-			Surgery did not resolve hypoglycemia episodes Died due to postsurgery sepsis Histology: Diffuse
14/F	5	1	ABCC8	p.Leu1171fs (p.L1171fs)		-	-	+(20 days)	Missed f/up visits	Postsurgery was normoglycemic with diazoxide and octreotide Missed follow up visits after 5th month of surgery Histology: Diffuse
15/M	2.5	2	ABCC8	L1171fs	Heterozygous (paternal) and loss of maternal heterozygosity	-	-	+(17 days)	Off medication	Cured Normal neurodevelopment Loss of maternal heterozygosity was shown in resected pancreatic specimen Histology: Focal
16/F	8.5	7 months	HADH	p.Arg236X (p.R236X)	Homozygous	+			Diazoxide	Protein sensitivity (+) Normoglycemic with diazoxide and avoiding from protein rich diet Normal neurodevelopment
17/F	2.4	1	No mutation			+			LAR	Transient elevation of transaminases Normal neurodevelopment
18/F	5	15	No mutation			+/-	+		LAR	Epilepsy and neurodevelopmental delay Transition to LAR due to poor compliance at the age of 2 years Better glycaemia after LAR treatment
19/M	4.5	30	No mutation			+			Diazoxide	Normal neurodevelopment
20/M	1	3	No mutation			+			Off medication	Normal neurodevelopment
21/M	4	4	No mutation			+/-			LAR	Refractable epilepsy despite antiepileptic treatment Diazoxide stopped and LAR commenced at the age of 3.5 years. Normoglycaemic with monthly LAR treatment
22/FM		8	No mutation			+/-	+		Octreotide	Normal neurodevelopment
23/FM	2.3	7	No mutation			-	+		Off medication	Neurodevelopmental delay

### CONCLUSIONS

In this series of 31 CHI patients from a single paediatric endocrine center we detected a mutation in a high proportion of patients who underwent a molecular genetics analysis. New therapeutic tools landreotide and sirolimus have improved the neurodevelopmental outcome of our both diazoxide responsive and unresponsive patients.

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