



Acute Care  
Pediatric Nurse Practitioner  
Review Course 2020

# FEN/Endocrine

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# Objectives

1. Discuss common fluid and electrolyte abnormalities, identify potential complications of excess or deficit and management strategies.
2. List common diagnoses managed by the AC PNP such as DKA, DI and SIADH, identify presentation, diagnostic evaluation and management of these problems.
3. Discuss the diagnosis, management and treatment of common Metabolic Diseases.
4. Accurately **describe** all pertinent diagnostic and laboratory findings and interpretations.

# Fluid Composition in the Body

*Extracellular*

*Intracellular*

Other including Ca, Mg, Protein,  
 $\text{HCO}_3^-$

$\text{K}^+$  4.2 mEq/L

$\text{Cl}^-$  104 mEq/L

$\text{Na}^+$  142 mEq/L

$\text{Na}^+$  12 mEq/L

Phosphate and organic anions  
130 mEq/L

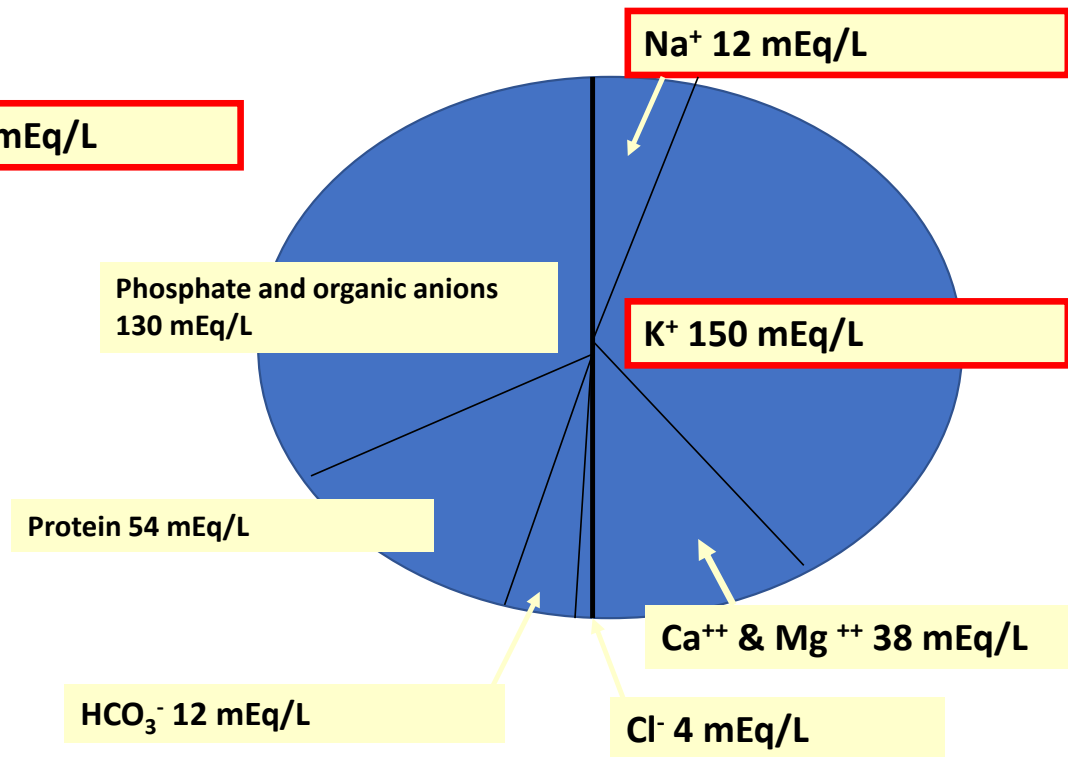
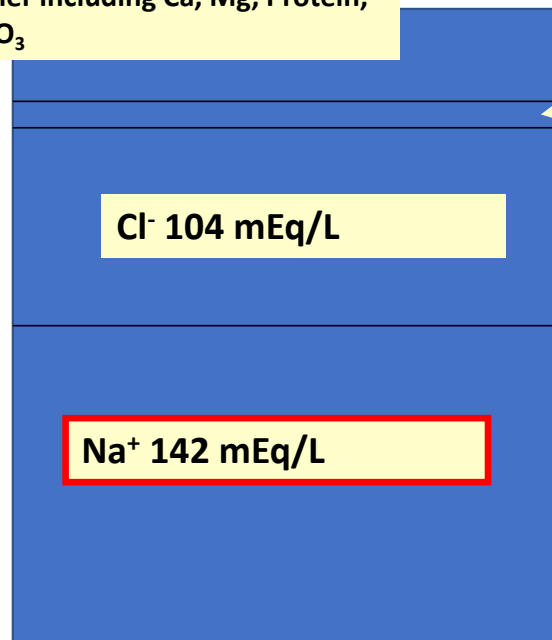
$\text{K}^+$  150 mEq/L

Protein 54 mEq/L

$\text{Ca}^{++}$  &  $\text{Mg}^{++}$  38 mEq/L

$\text{HCO}_3^-$  12 mEq/L

$\text{Cl}^-$  4 mEq/L



# Maintenance Fluids

## Daily Fluid Requirement-**Holliday-Segar Rule**

- 3–10 kg: 100 ml/kg/day
- 11–20 kg: 1000 ml +50 ml/kg each additional
- 21-70 kg    20 kg: 1500 ml +20 ml/kg for each additional kg

Ex: 27kg child

$1500\text{ml} + 7 \times 20 = 1500 + 140 = 1640\text{ml/day}$  or 68ml/hr

# Maintenance Fluids

## Hourly Fluid Requirement-**4-2-1 Rule**

- 3–10 kg: **4 ml/kg/hr**
- 10–20kg: 40ml/hr + **2ml/kg/hr** for each additional kg
- >21kg: 60 ml/hr+**1ml/kg/hr** for each additional kg

Ex: 27kg child

$$60\text{ml/hr} + 7 = 67\text{ml/hr}$$

# Fluid Composition

Fluid	Na ((g/L)	Cl (g/L	Glucose (g/L)
NS	154	154	0
LR	130	109	0
Hypertonic Saline	513	513	0
D51/2NS	77	77	50
Albumin	100-160	<120	0

(Modified from Kline-Tilford & Haut, 2015)

# Dehydration

Assess level of hydration: mild (5%) , moderate (10%), severe (15%)

## Symptoms:

**Mild-5%**-Fatigue, may refuse PO, normal vitals

**Moderate-10%**-thirsty, restless, irritable, mild change in vitals, decreased tears, dry oral mucosa

**Severe-15%**-Lethargy, alteration in all vitals, cool, mottled, minimal output, deep breathing.



# Dehydration

- Types of Dehydration:
- **Isonatremic, Hypernatremic and Hyponatremic**
- **Keys to management:**
  - Identify underlying problem
  - Replace electrolytes slowly
  - Correct fluid losses over 24 – 48 hours with fluid loss calculations based on electrolyte results and severity of dehydration.
  - Maintenance and Replacement fluid infusions
  - Monitor intake and output strictly, weights daily or BID
  - Monitor electrolytes closely



# Electrolyte Abnormalities

## Hyponatremia:

Sodium levels less than 135, but severe is  $<125$

- Causes: SIADH, Adrenal Insufficiency, hypervolemia, hypovolemia, excessive H<sub>2</sub>O intake
- Complications: **Seizures**
- Management: Correct Na at rate of 0.5meq/L/hr
- If symptomatic, NS 20cc/kg bolus, consider hypertonic saline 3-5ml/kg.
- If sodium corrected too rapidly risk of central pontine demyelination of white matter

# Electrolyte Abnormalities

## Hypernatremia:

Sodium levels greater than 145, severe is  $>160$

- Causes: fluid loss, dehydration, excess sodium intake, DI
- Complications: Seizures, AMS
- Management: correct underlying cause, Correct Na at rate of 0.5meq/L/hr but no greater than 10mEq/L/day-prevent seizures

# Electrolyte Abnormalities

## Hyperkalemia:

- Causes: Excessive intake; decreased excretion (renal failure, beta blockers, acidosis), CAH, tumor lysis or rhabdomyolysis, RTA or hemolyzed sample.
- Signs: ECG changes - peaked T waves, depressed ST, wide QRS, absent P-wave
- Mild hyperkalemia Mgmt.: Make sure sample not hemolyzed, remove or stop all oral/IV K+ sources
- Severe: Perform EKG, get CMP, CPK, ABG, UA

# Hyperkalemia Effects on EKG



***Ventricular fibrillation***



**Auricular Standstill**



***Prolonged P-R interval***

***- high T wave and depressed ST segment***



**Elevated T waves**



***Peaked T waves***



**Normal EKG**

# Treatment of Severe Hyperkalemia with EKG changes

- *Stabilize the myocardium*
  - CaCl (10%) 20mg/kg IV
  - CaGluconate 60-100mg/kg/dose(max 3gms)
- Enhance movement of K<sup>+</sup> into cells
  - Na H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> 1 to 2mEq/kg IV
  - Glucose 0.5 g/kg **PLUS** insulin 0.1 to 0.3 units/kg IV
- Remove K<sup>+</sup> from the patient
  - Consider Kayexelate 1 g/kg PR or PR/NG-maintenance or adjunct
  - RRT = dialysis-severe
  - Diuretics/Albuterol-mild

# Electrolyte Abnormalities

## Hypoglycemia:

Acute hypoglycemia – glucose less than 50 mg/dl – ketotic vs nonketotic

## Causes:

Neonatal: diabetic mom, adrenocortical deficiency, inborn errors, hypopituitarism. Can be transient, immature fasting, lack of supply.

Childhood: inborn errors, growth hormone deficiency, stress, hepatic dysfunction, ingestion(beta-blockers), infection, uncontrolled diabetes

- Glucose replacement – 10% or 25% glucose – 0.5 – 1g/kg

**Symptoms:** jittery, irritable, seizures, vomiting, headache

\*Need to send critical labs while hypoglycemic (FFA, insulin, BHOB, cortisol, acylcarnitine, lactate, pyruvate, NH<sub>4</sub>, GH, urine ketones).

Endocrine consult.

# Electrolyte Abnormalities

## Hypocalcemia:

- **Causes:** hypoparathyroidism, Vit D deficiency, renal insufficiency, massive transfusion, rhabdomyolysis, tumor lysis and ethylene glycol ingestion.
  - **Mgmt:** for hypoalbuminemia, correct  $\text{Ca}^{+}$  by 0.8mg/dl for each 1.0g/dl, consider ECG. Calcium replacement with calcium chloride or gluconate IV slowly and via Central line if possible.
  - **Complication:** Seizures, Tetany, myocardial irritability, long QT, parasthesias
- \*In refractory states ensure Magnesium is normal



# Metabolic Alkalosis/Acidosis

- Metabolic alkalosis
  - pH 7.52 PCO<sub>2</sub> 40 PO<sub>2</sub> 86 HCO<sub>3</sub> 36
  - Chloride responsive: contraction alkalosis, diuretics, vomiting, gastric suctioning, and corticosteroid therapy
  - Chloride resistant: hyperaldosterone state, Severe K depletion
- Metabolic acidosis
  - pH 7.10, PCO<sub>2</sub> 30, PO<sub>2</sub> 96, HCO<sub>3</sub> 10
  - Compensation is by hyperventilation-exhibited by low CO<sub>2</sub>
  - Bicarbonate losses occur as buffer system is imbalanced and other cations must accompany loss in the kidneys subsequently causing a loss in these electrolytes-usually potassium and sodium.

# Expected Anion Gap

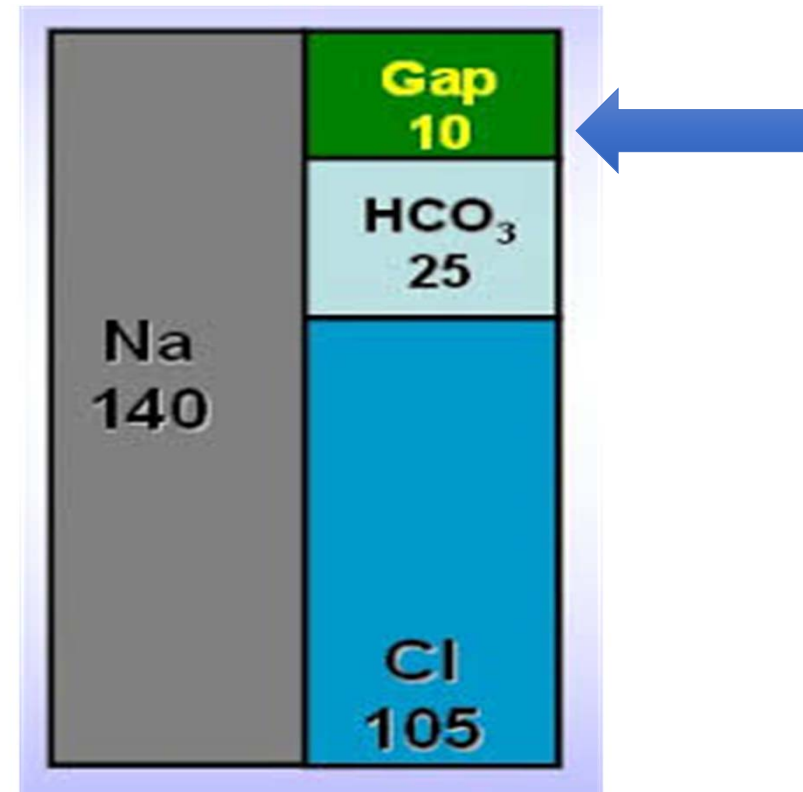
Calculation:

Cations – Anions

**OR**

$\text{Na} - (\text{Cl} + \text{HCO}_3)$

Normal range =  $12 \pm 2$  mEq/L



## Gap or Non-Gap Acidosis:

### Example Non-Gap

Na 140, Cl 110, HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> 25

$$142 - (110 + 25) = 7$$

Gap 7

### Example Gap

Na 140, Cl 108, HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> 15

$$140 - (108 + 15) = 17$$

Gap 17

# Non-Gap Acidosis

## Normal Anion Gap Metabolic Acidosis

Diarrhea

Renal tubular acidosis

Adrenal insufficiency

Chronic kidney disease

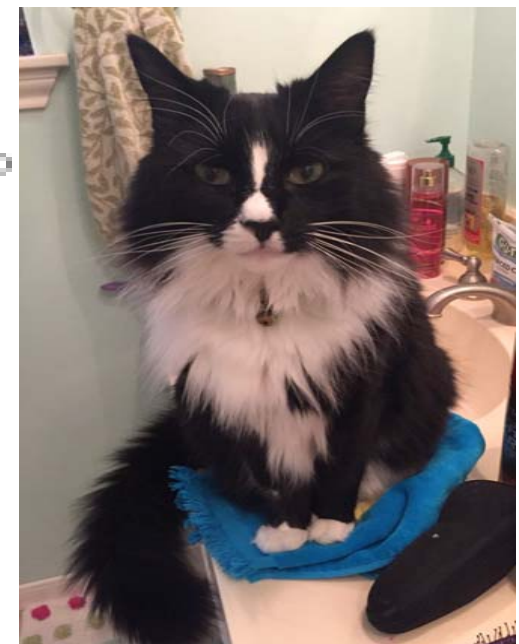
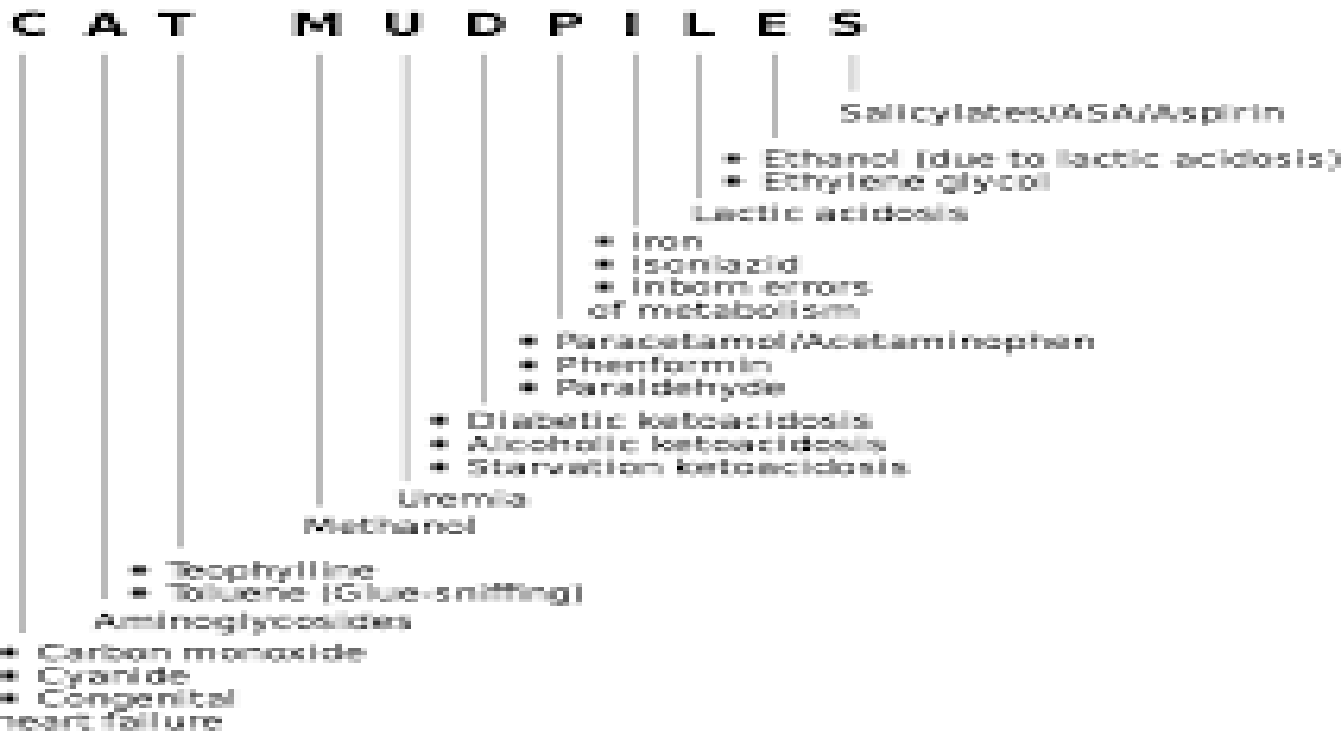
Intestinal, pancreatic, biliary fistula

Hypoaldosteronism

Spirolactone, prostaglandin inhibitors,  
triamterene, amiloride, trimethoprim,  
pentamidine, cyclosporin

# Gap Acidosis-CAT MUDPILES

Causes of high anion-gap metabolic acidosis



# Nutrition



# Eating Disorders-Obesity

- Eating Excess of calories.
- Defined as a BMI at or above the 95th percentile for children and teens of the same age and sex.
- **Health Risks:** Hypertension, Hypercholesteremia, impaired glucose tolerance, insulin resistance, sleep apnea, asthma, joint problems, Fatty liver disease, gallstones, and gastro-esophageal reflux, depression, behavioral problems, Low self-esteem low quality of life and suicidal or depressive behaviors.
- Labs: Cholesterol panel, fasting glucose, HGB A1C, insulin level.
- Consider psychiatric consult, nutrition or GI

# Eating Disorders-Anorexia

- Restriction of calories resulting in electrolyte imbalances, intravascular volume depletion and metabolic acidosis.
- **Management:** Stabilize fluid status (tachycardia, hypotension), correct electrolytes (hypophosphatemia) and obtain psychiatric evaluation and therapy.
- **Complications:** Cardiac arrhythmias, severe hypophosphatemia and acid/base disturbance.



## Eating Disorders-Bulemia

- Restriction of calories resulting in hunger from episodes of “binge eating”. Causes electrolyte imbalances. May have normal weight.
- **Management:** Stabilize fluid status (tachycardia, hypotension), correct electrolytes (hypophosphatemia) and obtain psychiatric evaluation and therapy.
- **Complications:** Cardiac arrhythmias, severe hypophosphatemia and acid/base disturbance, dentition problems.

# Failure to Thrive

- Diagnosed when <5% on standard growth chart or when a child's weight for age crosses more than two major centile lines.
- Organic or inorganic? 90% inorganic
  - inadequate caloric intake, inadequate absorption, excess metabolic demand or defective utilization.
- Genetic short stature, premature birth, constitutional
- Referrals-genetics, GI, endocrine, psych, nutrition

# Enteral Nutrition

- Provision of nutrients via breast milk or formula to the GI tract.
- Preferred-start within 24-48hrs
- May improve outcomes, immune function and decrease infection and hospital LOS.

**Contraindicated:** Bowel obstruction. GI surgery or UGI bleed, vasopressors?

**Labs:** Pre-albumin, glucose, phosphorus, stool studies as needed.

Track weights, calculate daily caloric intake

# Parenteral Nutrition

- Meeting nutritional needs when enteral feeding is contraindicated.
- **Solution based on:** Weight, age, organ dysfunction, disease state, metabolic needs, body composition/volume status and medications.
- Must have **reliable access**.
- **Macronutrients:** Protein, glucose and fat
- **Micronutrients:** Electrolytes, minerals and vitamins
- Daily adjustment needed based on needs
- Long-term effects:

# Feeding Complications

- Refeeding
- Intolerance/Allergies
- Ileus
- Motility and emptying issues
- Obstruction-volvulus
- Constipation
- GERD



# Nutrition Parameters

- Pre-albumin-Reflects last 24-48hrs, useful in acute nutritional changes. Not useful in inflammatory states, steroids or hemodialysis.
- Albumin-Less reliable, longer half-life(14-20 days). Negative acute phase protein: affected by dehydration, sepsis, trauma liver disease and albumin infusions.
- REE-Resting energy expenditure-based on age, equations to modify when sedated or paralyzed, stress or trauma states.
- Growth chart/BMI/Diet history
- Essential Fatty Acid Deficiency (EFAD)-Increase demands and limited reserves. Linoleic/alpha-linoleic are essential. Neonates occurs in days.
- Indirect calorimetry-used to ascertain substrate needs-prevents overfeeding and underfeeding. Expensive.

# Nutrition and Catecholamines

- Catecholamines are released during stress, surgery, illness and this causes a counter regulatory release of hormones.

- Affects:

Decreases the affects of insulin and its release.

Glucagon and ACTH are increased which mobilizes amino acid from skeletal muscle tissue and increases cortisol levels.

This mediates release of free fatty acids.

Results: free fatty acid depletion, glycogen storage depletion, hyperglycemia, lipid intolerance and protein catabolism

# Endocrine Disorders





# Endocrine Disorders: SIADH, DI,CSW

<b>SIADH</b> Causes: CNS Injury, Diseases of hypothalamus or pituitary, hepatic disease, pulmonary disease, high dose chemotherapy	<b>Syndrome of inappropriate anti-diuretic hormone.</b> <b>Excess of ADH with increased permeability of renal distal tubules and collecting ducts results in increased water reabsorption and decreased urine production.</b>
<b>Diabetes Insipidous (DI)</b> Causes: CNS injury or infection, disorders of the hypothalamus, pituitary or pan-hypopituitarism, after tumor resection, primary and secondary renal defects	<b>Antidiuretic deficit: Inadequate levels of ADH, results in decreased water reabsorption, increased urine output, hypernatremia and dehydration</b> <b>Central: Genetic, congenital or acquired</b> <b>Nephrogenic: Congenital or acquired as a result of renal disease, metabolic conditions or medications</b>
<b>Cerebral salt wasting (CSW)</b> Causes: CNS injury or infection, endocrine disturbances, including DKA, chronic lung disease or BPD, cardiac disease	<b>Atrial natriuretic hormone excess, results in Na excretion into urine and diuresis with resultant Hyponatremia, euvoemia or hypovolemia</b>

## Lab Findings: DI, SIADH, CSW

	DI	SIADH	CSW
<b>Serum Sodium</b>	➤ 150	<135	< 135
<b>Serum Osmolarity</b>	➤ 295 mOsm/kg	<280	<280
<b>Urine Sodium</b>	< 30 Meq/L	>30	>80
<b>Urine Osmolarity</b>	<200mOsm/kg	>200	>200
<b>Urine SG</b>	<1.005	>1.020	>1.010
<b>Urine output</b>	>/=4ml/kg/hr	</= 1ml/kg/hr	2-3 ml/kg/hr

# Management

SIADH	DI	CSW
<b>Restrict sodium, fluids, Monitoring of electrolytes and intake/output, diuretics, 9% NS</b>	<b>Vasopressin or DDAVP Fluid replacement Monitoring of fluids and electrolytes.</b>	<b>Treat underlying problem Replace sodium slowly, maintain fluid intake, monitoring of fluids and electrolytes.</b>

# Diabetes

## Type I

- Pancreas no longer produces enough insulin or cells stop responding to the insulin that is produced, so that glucose levels are elevated and other metabolic problems persist.
- Presentation: [Polyuria](#), [Polydipsia](#), [Polyphagia](#), fatigue, and weight loss- leads to dehydration.
- Complications of poorly-managed type 1 diabetes mellitus may include [cardiovascular disease](#), [diabetic neuropathy](#) and [diabetic retinopathy](#).

## Type II

- Controlled with diet and exercise and sometimes oral hypoglycemic or combination of insulin and oral hypoglycemic. Relative insulin resistance. Numbers are increasing in pediatric population.
- Presentation: often obese child with hyperglycemia & glycosuria.
- Co-morbid conditions often present: PCOS, lipid disorders, HTN.

# Diabetic Ketoacidosis-DKA

**DKA** - Insulin deficiency in which a starvation state triggers a cascade of metabolic responses, including hyperglycemia and ketone body formation with lactic acidosis from decreased tissue perfusion resulting in a gap metabolic acidosis. DKA can present with initial diagnosis or throughout lifetime of patient with IDDM.

- **Presentation:** abdominal pain, vomiting, polyuria, hyperglycemia, ketonuria, lethargy, and other mental status changes.
  - **PE findings:** tachycardia, signs of dehydration and Kussmal respirations.
  - **Diagnostics:** Glucose, electrolytes, urinalysis, BOHB (>3mmol/L is diagnostic), venous blood gas, urine/serum ketones, CBC, liver function tests and amylase/lipase are sometimes warranted related to symptoms.
- Typical findings: hyperglycemia, low pH(<7.3), HCO<sub>3</sub> less than 15, ketonuria, + serum and urine ketones.

# DKA

- **Management:**
- Crystalloid bolus 10 ml/kg with slow replacement of fluids over 24-48hrs taking into account all fluids received. 2x maint for first 24hrs, then decrease to 1-1.5.
- Insulin drip at 0.05-0.1 units/kg/hr, add glucose when serum glucose is about 250 – 300 or if glucose levels are dropping faster than 100 dl/hr
- Replete potassium and phosphorous.
- **Labs:** glucose q1hr, chemistry, beta-hydroxybuterate, venous blood gases. Vital signs with neuro checks every 1 – 2 hours. Cardiac monitor, convert to subq insulin when ph and HCO<sub>3</sub> are normalized.
- **Complications:** Cerebral edema-Altered mental status, confusion, seizures, headaches.

## DKA-Cerebral Edema

- Critical complication seen in DKA. Only 1% of total cases
- Accounts for 60-90% of diabetes related deaths
- 10-25% of these are left with neurological deficits
- **Risk Factors:** Young age, new onset, bolus insulin dosing, bicarbonate administration, rapid fluid administration, increased BUN, low bicarb, rapid glucose correction.
- **Presentation:** Onset of headache, altered mental status/coma, hypoxia, Cushing's Triad(hypertension, bradycardia, resp depression)
- **Management:** Mannitol 0.5-1gm/kg or 3% Hypertonic saline. Fluid to manage shock but not excess-goal normal B/P, stabilize (ABCD's), increase HOB and keep midline, consider brain CT to evaluate cerebral edema.

# New Onset Diabetes

- Similar presentation, may correct quicker as some beta cell function still remains. Higher risk for complications.
- **Specific Labs:** Insulin auto-antibodies, insulin level, thyroid function tests, islet cell auto-antibodies, C-peptide levels





# Adrenal Dysfunction

## **Adrenal Insufficiency:**

-dysfunction of adrenal gland

Presentation: Hypotension, hypoglycemia, weakness, anorexia, nausea and vomiting.

-obtain CMP, glucose, ACTH, am cortisol level and aldosterone concentration.

-Mgmt: glucocorticoids, monitoring of function, endocrine consult

## Types of Adrenal Insufficiency

**Primary:** CAH, sepsis, surgical removal, Addison disease, adrenal hemorrhage

**Secondary deficiency:** destroyed or inactive adrenal gland, ACTH deficiency

**Tertiary insufficiency:** suppression from steroids, rapid taper of steroids

**Relative Insufficiency(CIRCI):** critical illness/ shock

# Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia

- Most common is 21-hydroxalase deficiency.
- **Presentation:** Newborn with ambiguous genitalia, salt wasting and shock, get reduced cortisol and aldosterone production get: typical lab findings of hyperkalemia and hyponatremia with dehydration.
- **Diagnostics:** Serum electrolytes, ACTH stimulating test, Cortisol levels (timing), Newborn screen
- **Treatment:** Manage fluid and electrolytes, glucocorticoids, hydrocortisone.

# Adrenal Crisis

Rapid, overwhelming process that is potentially **fatal**

- Occurs with chronic adrenal insufficiency, acute damage, abrupt withdrawal of steroids.
- Presentation:** hypotension, fatigue, vomiting, muscle pain, anorexia, wt loss.
- Diagnostics:** Obtain CMP, glucose, ACTH, am cortisol level and aldosterone concentration
- Management:** glucocorticoids, monitoring of function

# Hyperthyroidism

Thyroid Storm	Hyperthyroidism	Thyroiditis
<p>Life threatening condition due to untreated hyperthyroidism; clinical findings: HTN, fever, tachycardia, sweating</p> <p><b>Complications:</b> <a href="#">Congestive heart failure</a> and <a href="#">pulmonary edema</a> can develop rapidly and lead to death</p>	<p>Nervousness, irritability, emotional lability, tremor, excessive appetite, weight loss, smooth moist, skin, increased perspiration, heat intolerance.</p> <p><b>Physical findings:</b> goiter, exophthalmos, tachycardia, widened pulse pressure.</p> <p><b>Management:</b> PTU or methimazole, surgery or iodine.</p>	<p>Inflammation of the thyroid leading to hyperthyroidism</p> <p><b>Diagnostics:</b> Thyroid function tests – elevated T4, decreased TSH.</p> <p><b>Management:</b> varies, PTU or methimazole.</p>

# Hypothyroidism

## Hypothyroidism

**Findings:** growth retardation, diminished physical activity, impaired tissue perfusion, constipation, thick tongue, poor muscle tone, hoarseness, anemia, intellectual retardation. Can be associated with other disorders (trisomy 21, Diabetes).

- **Diagnostics:** Thyroid function tests – Low Free T4 and T3, elevated TSH.
- **Management:** Lifelong replacement of thyroid hormone as levothyroxine.

## Sick Euthyroid

**Findings:** Low T3 in non-thyroidal illness during time of critical illness. Correlates with high levels of pro-inflammatory cytokines and cortisol.

- **Diagnostics:** Low T3 with normal TSH. Free T4 and reverse T3 vary but often reverse T3 goes up.
- **Management:** Not treated with thyroid hormone, will resolve once critical illness and passed.

# Hypo/Hyper Thyroidism At a Glance

Hypothyroidism	Hyperthyroidism
Hypothermia	Hyperthermia
Weight gain	Weight loss
Bradycardia, lower blood pressure	Tachycardia, hypertension
Constipation	Diarrhea
Decreased activity, listlessness	Restless, anxious
Cold intolerance	Heat Intolerance

# Metabolic Disorders

## Inborn Errors of Metabolism:

- Amino Acid Disorders
- Glycogen Storage Diseases
- Lysosomal Storage Diseases
- Mitochondrial Diseases
- Organic Acidemia
- Peroxisomal Disorders
- Phenylketonuria
- Urea-cycle Diseases

- **Key Findings:** hypoglycemia, hyperammonemia, metabolic acidosis
- **Other Findings:** infant presents with seizures, lethargy or coma, recurrent unexplained illness, hepatosplenomegaly, hypotonia, signs of sepsis, developmental delay, loss of milestones, poor feeding, vomiting, eye/hair/skin abnormalities, Ketosis.



# Disorders of Protein Metabolism

## Amino Acid Disorders

- Most common disorders, caused by a defect in the metabolic pathway of amino acids resulting in abnormal accumulation of amino acids in plasma, often present acutely in newborn, will result in coma, encephalopathy or death if not identified.

## Urea Cycle Disorders

- Deficiency of enzyme or cofactor that transforms nitrogen to urea for excretion, presents few day after birth with poor feeding, vomiting, tachypnea and AMS after a few days of protein intake.

## Organic Acid Disorders

- Enzyme deficiency or abnormal step in pathways of amino acid degradation, accumulation of abnormal organic acid metabolites and increased excretion of organic acids in the urine. Presents in newborn period with poor feeding, lethargy, acidosis and ketosis, high **ammonia** levels.



# Disorders of Fat Metabolism

## Fatty Acid Oxidation Disorder:

- Pathophysiology: Single-enzyme defects either in one of the beta-oxidation steps for fatty acids or in the pathway that transfers electrons from FADH<sub>2</sub> to the electron-transport. Previously healthy child presents with vomiting, lethargy/coma, occasionally seizures, +/- hepatomegaly triggered by an acute illness

# Disorders of Glucose Metabolism

## Glycogen storage disease

Carbohydrate disorders such as galactosemia

- Pathophysiology: Deficiency of galactose-1-phosphate uridyl transferase (GALT), disorders of glycogen breakdown. Present as seizures, poor growth, hypotonia, metabolic acidosis and hyperbilirubinemia.

# Disorders of Organelles

## Mitochondrial disorders

### Lysosomal storage disorders (mucopolysaccharidosis)

- Pathophysiology: Deficiency of lysosomal enzymes leading to excessive tissue storage of lipid material or incomplete degradation & storage of mucopolysaccharides
- Presentation: Developmental delay/MR, Symptoms: hepatomegaly, splenomegaly, neurologic regression, short stature, coarsening of facial features, limitation of small & large joints, cardiac disease
- Peroxisomal disorders

## Question

Which of the following is a characteristic of bulimia nervosa?

- A Thin appearance
- B Severe hunger
- C Amenorrhea
- D Eating control

# Answer:

Which of the following is a characteristic of bulimia nervosa?

B. Severe hunger

## Question

A lethargic breastfed infant born at birthing center without a newborn screen presents to the ER with poor muscle tone, hoarse cry, normal pH and hypothermia. What does the provider suspect?

- A Botulism
- B Metabolic disease
- C Hyponatremia
- D Hypothyroidism

# Answer:

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## Question

A one week old presents in profound shock with metabolic acidosis and is being fluid resuscitated. A strange odor is noted from the child, what disorder is expected?

- A. Lysosomal storage defect
- B. Fatty Acid Defect
- C. Organic Acid Defect
- D. Hypothyroidism

# Answer:

A one week old presents in profound shock with metabolic acidosis and is being fluid resuscitated. A strange odor is noted from the child, what disorder is expected?

C. Organic Acid Defect

## Fluid and Electrolyte Question

What electrolytes should be checked immediately on a child with new onset seizures?

- A glucose, sodium and phosphorus
- B sodium, calcium and phosphorus
- C glucose, sodium and calcium
- D calcium, sodium and magnesium

# Answer:

What electrolytes should be checked immediately on a child with new onset seizures?

C. glucose, sodium and calcium

## Fluid and Electrolyte Question

A 2 month old with vomiting presents with dry mucous membranes, a weak cry and cool extremities. Which course of action should be taken?

- A Fluid bolus of D5NS and re-assess
- B Check glucose and administer NS bolus
- C Administer NS bolus and D25W 2ml/kg
- D Warm, check glucose and bolus D5NS

# Answer:

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B. Check glucose and administer NS bolus

# Fluid and Electrolyte Question

A child is admitted urgently with AKI. The labs at presentation are: Na 140, Cl 110 HCO<sub>3</sub> 14. What is the anion gap?

- A 14
- B 16
- C 13
- D 17

# Answer:

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## Calories Question?

What kcal/kg/day is a 5kg infant receiving who took in 500ml of similac 27kcal/oz?

- A 75
- B 90
- C 100
- D 110

# Answer:

What kcal/kg/day is a 5kg infant receiving who took in 500ml of similac 27kcal/oz?

B. 90

## Question?

What is an expected electrolyte response during critical illness?

A Hypermagnesemia

B Hyperglycemia

C Hypercalcemia

D Hypokalemia

# Answer:

What is an expected electrolyte response during critical illness?

B Hyperglycemia

## Endocrinology Challenge Question

A 3 year old newly diagnosed diabetic presents in DKA and develops acute agitation and confusion during fluid resuscitation. What is the most likely diagnosis?

- A Hemorrhagic stroke
- B Cerebral edema
- C Hypernatremic seizure
- D Hypoglycemia

# Answer:

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## Endocrinology Challenge Question

A 12 year old with mental challenges presents with severe diarrhea and dehydration. In the process of electrolyte evaluation and rehydration, he is noted to have excess urine output and rising sodium level.

What is the most likely diagnoses?

- A. Diabetes Insipidus
- B. Cerebral salt wasting
- C. SIADH

# Answer:

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