Initiation, Titration And Maintenance Of Basal Insulin In Type 1 Versus Type 2 Diabetes: An Important Foundation To Successful Insulin Management

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Type 1 and Type 2 Diabetes Are Very Different

- Misperceptions and Physical Appearance
- Incidence and Prevalence
- Hereditary Influence
- Etiology and "Natural History"
- Characteristics and Associated Conditions
- Treatment Strategies
- Approaches to basal insulin management strategies

<u>Inc</u>	idence and P	<u>revalence of</u> 2 Diabetes	Type 1 vs Typ	De
		Type 1	Type 2	
	Number in the US	1,250,000	31,000,000	
	Diagnosed <u>Every Day</u> in the US	110	6,000	
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General Population	0.3%	8-11%
If you have a sibling with T1D	4%	~30%
If your mother has T1D	2 - 3%	~30%
If your father has T1D	6 - 8%	~30%
If you have an identical twin with	~50%	100%















Regular U-500 Regular Aspart	Humulin R, Novolin R Humulin R U-500	
Faster Acting Aspart Glulisine Lispro (U–100 and U–200) Follow on biologic lispro Inhaled Insulin	Humulin R, Novolin R Humulin R U-500 NovoLog Fiasp Apidra Humalog Admelog Afrezza	
Intermediate-Acting: NPH Long-Acting: Detemir Glargine (U–100) Glargine (U–300)* Degludec (U–100/200)*	Humulin N Novolin NPH Levemir Lantus Toujeo* Tresiba*	
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Shortcomings of Basal Insulins Include:

- Hypoglycemia resulting in:
 Insulin under-dosing
 Insufficient glycemic control
- Weight gain
- Inconsistent insulin action...leading to inconsistent blood glucose levels
- Not enough flexibility with timing of injections
- Insufficient duration of action...therefore, requiring a minimum of 1 and, sometimes, 2 injections/day Large volume injections required for some patients

Two New Basal Insulins Recently Added to **Our List of Options**

Both approved by the FDA and now available for patients 1. U-300 glargine a long-acting basal insulin

2. U-100 and U- 200 degludec a long-acting basal insulin

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U-300 Glargine

A more concentrated (300 units/ml) form of traditional glargine insulin (100 units/ml)

Compared to U-100 glargine, U-300 glargine has less intra-subject variability, less hypoglycemia and less weight gain. Flat, stable and prolonged action up to 30 hours (needs 5 days to equilibrate...tell your patients!)

In the clinical trials patients on U–300 glargine with type 1 and type 2 diabetes may require a dose 12 to 18% higher than previous U–100 glargine (still with less hypo and less weight gain).

Pen holds 450 units

New Pen holds 900 units and can give 150U at one time

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U-100 and U-200 Insulin Degludec

Available as either 100 units/ml (~detemir) or 200 units/ml Long duration of action up to 42 hours (needs 5 days to equilibrate...tell your patients!) Peakless

Low intra-subject variability

Less hypoglycemia and variability compared to U-100 glargine Disposable pens hold a maximum of 300 (U-100) and 600(units) 160 units can be given at one time.

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Combination Therapy: Adding Basal Insulin to Oral Agents an Effective Strategy to Initiate Insulin Therapy In T2D

- > Only 1 injection per day is typically required
- No need for mixing different types of insulin
- > Convenience (usually given at night or first thing in the morning)
- Slow, safe, and simple titration
- > Low dosage needed compared to a full insulin regimen
- > Limited weight gain especially compared to insulin only
- regimens
- Effective improvement in glycemic control by suppressing hepatic glucose production
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Second Pitfall in Initiating and Titrating Basal Insulin (First one is too slow titration after starting)

Not Paying Attention To The Bedtime Glucose Value

- Ask the patient to do paired testing (test at bedtime and again the next morning).
 If the bedtime BG is high, then that needs to be addressed
- If the bedtime BG is high, then that needs to be addressed by either lifestyle modification including reduced caloric consumption and/or post dinner exercise.
- 3. Other options include prandial insulin or a GLP-1 RA

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Appropriate Self-Titration is Critical to the Success of Insulin Therapy An ADA/EASD consensus algorithm for the initiation and adjustment of basal insulin: Start with a long-acting basal insulin Initiate at 10 units/day or 0.2 units/kg/day Check fasting glucose daily and increase dose by: Increase 10 to 15% or 2 to 4 units once or twice a week until fasting glucose is in target range

Association; EASD, European Association for the Study of Diabeter are. 2018







Case: 61 Year Old Overweight Male With Type 2 Diabetes For 8 years

- Initial A1c was 9.5%
- Eventually started on metformin, sequentially followed by a sulfonylurea a DPP-4 inhibitor and a SGLT-2 inhibitor over a 4 year period.
- > PMH: HTN, CHF, dyslipidemia, arthritis and ED
- > Exercises irregularly and "tries to follow a diet"

Case contin	ued	
Staggered testing	ng results (asked to	test one
Time	Blood glucose range	Blood glucose average
Pre-Breakfast	148 - 229 mg/dL	(~175 mg/dL)
Pre- Lunch	111 - 182 mg/dL	(~147 mg/dL)
Pre- Dinner	91 - 155 mg/dL	(~139 mg/dL)
Bedtime	148 - 231 mg/dL	(~184 mg/dL)
	No reports of hypo	glycemia

V h	Which of e was yo	the following would you suggest if patient?	
	А	Start a pre-mixed insulin at dinner time	
	В	Initiate basal insulin	
	С	Start a GLP-1 RA	
	D	Start pioglitazone	J



Case continued

- U-300 Glargine was added at night (20 units)
 and titrated up to 120 units over the next 10 weeks
 I asked him to test 2x/day (bedtime and the next morning)

t is imp	ortant to mak	e sure the patient is	not going to bed h	igh
	Pre-Breakfast	82 - 155 mg/dL	(~122 mg/dL)	
	Pre- Lunch			
	Pre- Dinner			
	Bedtime	128 - 183 mg/dL	(~145 mg/dL)	

- A1c dropped to 7.1%, no hypoglycemia. Gained 2 lbs in 3 months
- Oral agents can be continued unless hypoglycemia occurs during the day, in which case the sulfonylurea should be reduced or withdrawn $_{\rm J}$



Case 62 year old fe	emale with type 2 diabetes for
12 years	
Currently on maximum doses DPP-4 inhibitor.	of 3 oral agents: metformin, SFU and a
A1c > 8.5% for the past 2 yea	ırs

She was started on basal insulin and the HCP titrated her dose based on her morning glucose value. Her current dose is 78 units Current SMBG (mg/dl) below:

	Pre-Breakfast	Pre- Lunch	Pre- Dinner	Bedtime
Monday	243			
Tuesday	221			
Wednesday	54			
Thursday	267			



А	She did an unusual amount of exercise that morning
В	She had a much lighter dinner than usual
с	She took twice the amount of basal insulin by accident
D	The value from her glucose meter was not correct

Case continued

She was asked to do some paired testing (bedtime and the next morning for several days in a row

	Pre-Breakfast	Pre- Lunch	Pre- Dinner	Bedtime
Friday	201			244
Saturday	192			154
Sunday	82			239
Monday	212			267

Her basal dose has been titrated up too high and the main issue is that she is going to bed too high.

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or her low glucose value of 54 mg/	

Clinical I Combina	Pearls: Ition Therapy with Basal Insulin
-1-	Start with 10 to 20 units (also consider FBS, weight)
-2-	The key to success is frequent follow up after initiation to avoid "failure" (most patients will need 40 to 70 units/day)
-3-	Have the patient follow a self-titration regimen and return to clinic or follow up in some other manner (phone, fax, email, telehealth, etc.) <u>relatively soon</u>
-4-	You can usually limit SMBG to only once a day in the morning but check at bedtime once in awhile to make sure the pt. does not need pre dinner fast acting insulin or a GLP1-RA



Every Day Is Different For A Person With Type 1 Diabetes





Despite Following all of the Rules

- 1. Unexpected highs
- 2. Unexpected lows
- 3. Carb:Insulin ratio not working consistently
- Correction Factor not working consistently
- 5. Not responding to insulin and exercise consistently

























Testing The Basal Rate In Type 1 Diabetes Testing Overnight

- Ask the patient have an early dinner, make sure the post prandial BS is between 140 and 180mg/dl (may need a correction dose) with a horizontal trend arrow
 Fast until the next morning
 If not on a CGM then he/she needs to test the BS every few hours

- Testing During The Day (different day than testing pm)
- Ask the patient if he/she can skip breakfast and fast as long as possible.
 If patient wants to eat a small breakfast then make sure the post breakfast BS is between 140–180mg/dl with a horizontal trend arrow

Basal Insulin T1 & T2

Testing A Basal Segment in T1D: Foundation of any Insulin Regimen						
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A	Not bolusing enough for her bedtime snack			
В	Early morning resistance to insulin (dawn phenomenon)			
С	Eating a snack at 3am without any insulin			
D	Gastroparesis J			

Insulin Pumps: Advantages

- Improved glycemic control
- More precise, physiologic insulin delivery Greater ability to handle dawn phenomenon, stress and other conditions that alter insulin requirements
- In some situations (but not all) freedom and flexibility in lifestyle
- Eliminate multiple daily injections (1 stick every 3 days) Very easy to respond to CGM results
 Reduce restrictions on eating, exercise and sleeping patterns; could have the same benefits with MDI
 Greater flexibility with sports, travel, work schedule and other activities (not with water sports)

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A	Bolusing fast-acting insulin at bedtime			
В	Too much basal insulin			
С	Going to the 24 hour gym at midnight			
D	All of the above J			























Same pt. fasting from 9pm until 7am						
3 Patient's	s best glucose day	was March 14	4, 2018			
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D. Do not exercise after 7pm

Summary and Conclusions

Type 1 and Type 2 Diabetes are very different conditions including the approach to basal insulin therapy

In Type 2 diabetes self titration is important to reach an adequate FBS and paired testing is important o make sure the bedtime glucose value is in range

In Type 1 diabetes the basal dose should be tested by overnight and daytime fasting.

CGM is the standard of care in T1D and will shortly be used more and more in type 2 Diabetes