

Diabetes Mellitus

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Learning Objectives:

1. Describe pathophysiology of diabetes mellitus [DM].
2. Describe etiology of DM.
3. Outline types of DM
4. Outline epidemiology and risk factors of DM.
5. Reviewing & Illustration figures of the common general and oral complications of DM
6. Reviewing general medical management [diagnosis and treatment] of patients with DM=.

Diabetes Mellitus (DM):

- ❑ A metabolic disease = characterized by an elevations of blood glucose levels (= Hyperglycemia).



- Diabetes is due to either the pancreas not producing enough insulin or the cells of the body not responding properly to the insulin produced.

□ Need Glucose → Obtained *In the fasting state from:*

- 1. Intestinal Absorption of Glucose
- 2. Glycogenolysis: → this process in the liver → breaks down **glycogen** → releases glucose into the bloodstream.
- 3. Gluconeogenesis: → this process in the liver → produces glucose from **non-carbohydrate** sources → → → such as amino acids + fatty acids → releases glucose into the bloodstream.

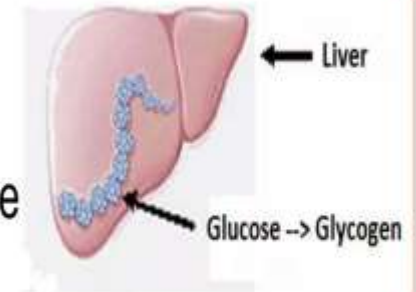
PATHOPHYSIOLOGY

- The body obtains glucose from three main places:

➤ The intestinal absorption of food



➤ The breakdown of **glycogen**, the storage form of glucose found in the liver







➤ **Gluconeogenesis**, the generation of glucose from non-carbohydrate substrates in the body.



"Normal Physiology"

- ❑ During digestion: **most foods** are broken down into glucose, then enters blood and used by cells for **energy and growth**.
- ❑ Most cells: **Except** **central nervous system**, Require the presence of insulin to allow glucose entry.

❑ Insulin:

- ❑ Produced by the **β cells** of the islets of Langerhans of the pancreas and increased insulin secretion occurs in response to increased blood glucose concentrations.

- ❑ Binds to specific cellular **receptors** to exert its effects.

- ❑ Suppresses **gluconeogenesis** and **promotes protein synthesis and lipogenesis**.

Hormones Increase Blood Glucose=

- 1. Glucagon**
- 2. Catecholamines**
- 3. Growth hormones**
- 4. Thyroid hormones**
- 5. Glucocorticoids.**

Diabetes Mellitus/// Etiology

- 1) In islets of Langerhans of pancreas = two main endocrine cells= insulin-producing **beta** cells + glucagon secreting **alpha** cells.
- 2) Beta and alpha cells are continually changing their hormonal levels based on =glucose environment.
- 3) Without the balance between insulin and glucagon= the glucose levels become Abnormally + Un-Controlled [+ OR -]

[بدون توازن الهرموني = انحراف خطير بمستويات سكر الدم]

- 1) In DM= insulin = is either absent and/or has impaired its action (insulin resistance)= leads to **hyperglycemia**.

Cardinal Signs of Diabetes Mellitus (DM) :-

- ❑ Polydipsia
- ❑ Polyuria
- ❑ Polyphagia
- ❑ Weigh loss= Type 1 DM
- ❑ Obesity= Type 2 DM
- ❑ Weakness
- ❑ Poor wound healing
- ❑ Severe infection

○ When the glucose concentration in the blood remains high over time, the kidneys will reach a threshold of reabsorption → Glycosuria.

○ This increases the osmotic pressure of the urine → polyuria → increased fluid loss

○ Lost blood volume will be replaced osmotically from water held in body cells and other body compartments → dehydration → polydipsia

“American Diabetes Association Classification of Diabetes Mellitus / DM

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<<5 general types (Determined by the Underlying
Mechanism)>>

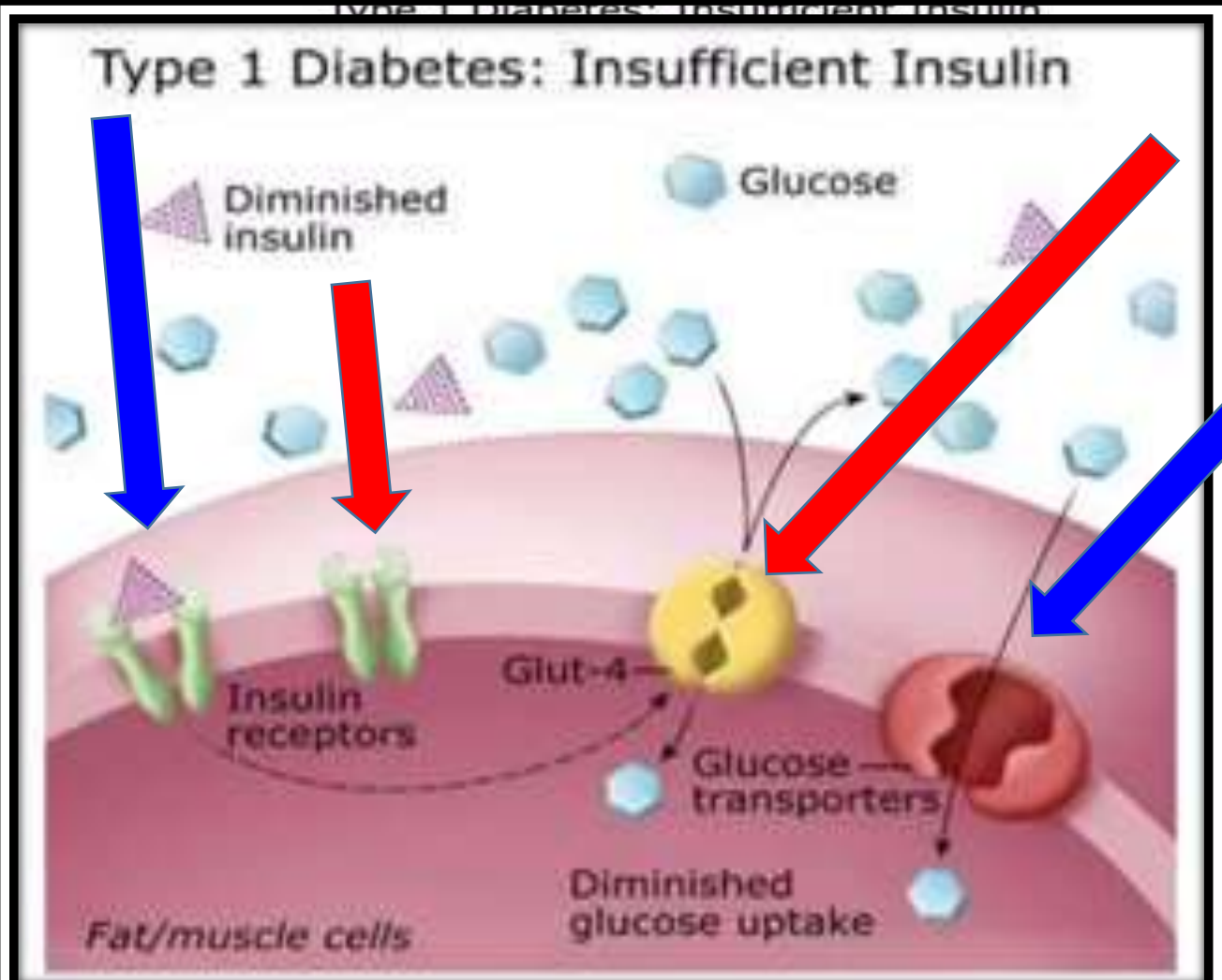
1. Type 1 diabetes: (due to autoimmune
β-cell destruction → leading to absolute insulin deficiency
[[including LADA= latent autoimmune diabetes of
adulthood]]. autoimmune type 1 diabetes rarely
occurs before 6 months of age.

◦ Type 1 DM

- Results from the pancreas's failure to produce enough insulin.

- This form was previously referred to as "insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus" (IDDM) or "juvenile diabetes".

- Genetic predisposition factors = **1/3th susceptibility to Type 1 DM.**
- Environmental predisposition factors = **Could trigger:**
- Direct toxicity to β cells
- Autoimmune reaction against β cells.



Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus

3 main Environmental categories:

- 1) **Viruses:** Mumps, cytomegalovirus and Epstein–Barr viruses.
- 2) **Specific drugs or chemicals.**
- 3) **Dietary constituents:** [= diabetogenic toxins]

A. Nitrosamines:

(smoked and cured meats + coffee)

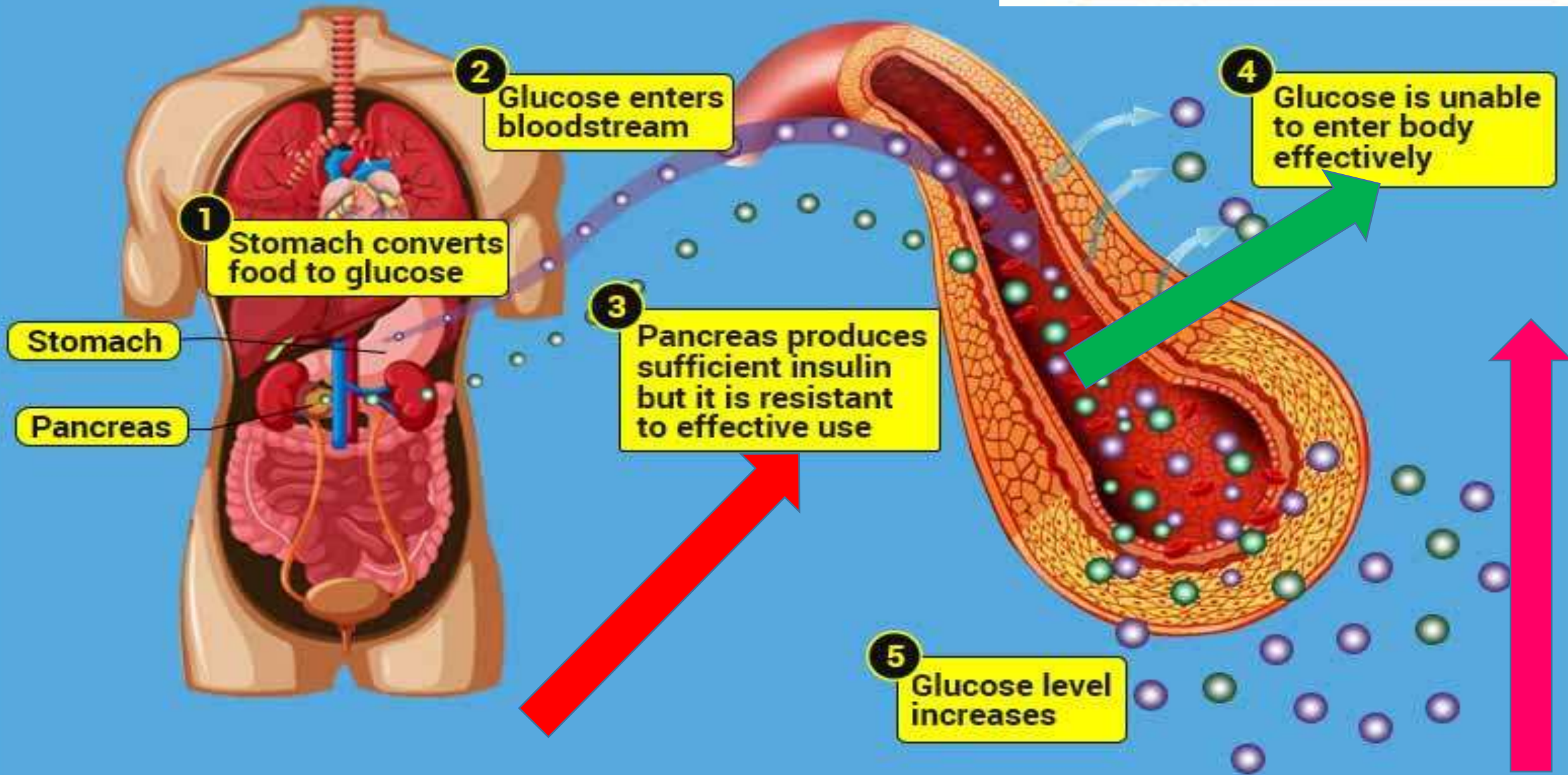
B. Bovine serum albumin (cow's milk)

2. Type 2 diabetes:

(due to a progressive loss of
adequate β -cell insulin
secretion on background of
insulin resistance)

DIABETES

○ Type 2 DM



○ Type 2 DM

- Begins with insulin resistance, a condition in which cells fail to respond to insulin properly.



- This form was previously referred to as "non insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus" (NIDDM) or "adult-onset diabetes".
- The primary cause is excessive body weight and not enough exercise.

Insulin → **uptake of glucose**
from the blood into the cells

Normal Pathophysiology:-

Pancreas

(Beta cells
found in islets
of Langerhans)

in response to rising level of blood glucose

Abnormal Pathophysiology:-

1. If **insufficient amount of insulin available**
2. If **insulin Resistance = respond poorly to insulin**

○ Type 1 DM

○ Type 2 DM

high level of blood glucose

[Diabetes Mellitus]

DIABETES MELLITUS

Healthy



Type 1



Type 2



3. Gestational diabetes mellitus:

Gestational Diabetes Mellitus

Is the third main form
and occurs in
pregnant women
without a previous
history of diabetes



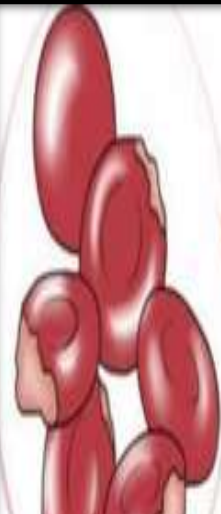
(diagnosed in second or third trimester of pregnancy)

- Gestational diabetes mellitus (GDM) resembles type 2 DM in several aspects.
- Involves a combination of relatively inadequate insulin secretion and responsiveness.
- It occurs in about **2–10%** of all pregnancies and may improve or disappear after delivery.

○ Increased levels of insulin in a fetus's blood may inhibit fetal surfactant production and cause respiratory distress syndrome.



Respiratory Distress



A high blood bilirubin level may result from red blood cell destruction.

Jaundice



High blood glucose levels in mother



Brings extra glucose to baby



Increase weight

4. Specific DM

Types=Monogenic

diabetes syndromes

(such as neonatal diabetes and maturity-onset diabetes of the young).

□ Maturity-onset diabetes of the young (MODY)

- 1) Autosomal dominant inheritance
= mutated glucokinase (GK) gene =
leading to increased glucose production
- 2) Child = have 50% chance to inherit DM
- 3) *subclinical at birth* >>>>
clinically presented before age of 25
years

Diagnosis of MODY?

- 1) Onset before 25 years of age
- 2) DM in two consecutive family generations
- 3) Absence of autoantibodies to β -cell antigens
- 4) Pancreas produce endogenous insulin secretion
+ Preserved serum C-peptide= level of >200
pmol/L [while In type 1 DM insulin production is very low].

[C-peptide links the A and B chains of insulin]

Neonatal Diabetes= Commonly due to Autosomal dominant mutations in the:

1.. chromosome 11 [30%] = *KCNJ11* and *ABCC8* genes
encoding β -cell K_{ATP} channel = ... lead to =
Overexpression of genes

OR

2.. chromosome 6 [20%] = *Insulin* gene (*INS*) = ... lead to =
Decrease insulin production

→ very high levels of blood glucose

5. Secondary Diabetes? Due to other causes / Other Conditions:

A. Diseases of the Pancreas: such as

1.+ cystic fibrosis

2.+ Pancreatitis

3.+ Pancreatic cancer

4.+ Glucagonoma

5.+ Hemochromatosis (=harmful levels of iron that damage pancreas)

5. Secondary Diabetes? Due to other causes / Other Conditions:

B.. Drug- or chemical- induced

diabetes (using them are known to increase the risk of diabetes :

1. Excess production of antagonists to insulin
(= catecholamines)
2. glucocorticoid,
3. thiazide diuretics
4. some HIV medications
5. antipsychotics,

C.. Diseases-induced Diabetes

1. Viral infections =
congenital rubella
2. Genetic syndromes
=Down's syndrome).

COMPLICATIONS OF DIABETES MELLITUS:

I. Acute complications:

- 1)diabetic ketoacidosis**
- 2)diabetic coma**

II. Chronic complications:

□ A. Microvascular :

- 1)Retinopathy**
- 2)Nephropathy**
- 3)Neuropathy**
- 4)Diabetic Foot**
- 5)Dermopathy**

□ B. Macrovascular:

- 1)Cerebro-vascular Accidents.**
- 2)Cardio-vascular Accidents.**
- 3)Peripheral Vascular Disease.**

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Any
questions?

