OVERVIEW OF ANKLE BRACHIAL INDEX (ABI) VALUES ON DIABETES MELLITUS TYPE 2 IN BLITAR

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Abstract: Examination of foot vascularization often used for patients with DM who have Perypheral Arterial Disease (PAD) is to measure the value of Ankle Brachial Index (ABI). ABI examination is a non-invasive gold standard measurement to detect vascular disorders of the peripheral arteries and is recommended as part of the assessment process to help formulate the diagnosis in at-risk individuals. The purpose of this study was to provide an overview of the value of ABI in people with diabetes mellitus type 2 in Village of Kepanjen Kidul and Village Karangsari Blitar City. The method in this research was descriptive with respondent of type 2 diabetes mellitus as much as 32 respondents. Methods of data collection with check list and ABI score. The results of this study indicated that the value of ABI in people with type 2 diabetes with ABI value right and left extremities borderline and abnormal categories at most are female gender, abnormal value many in diabetics who do not routinely consume anti diabetic drugs, abnormal ABI value many in patients who do not exercise regularly, abnormally abnormal ABI values in patients who have never performed foot therapy, and abnormal ABI values are many in patients who do not implement the diet. Therefore, foot examination was very important to be done regularly to reduce the risk of foot ulcers in patients with diabetes mellitus.

Keywords: ankle brachial index, ABI, diabetes mellitus type 2

Diabetes mellitus is a group pf metabolic diseases characterized by elevated blood glucose (hyperglycemia) as a result of abnormalities of insulin secretion, insulin activity or both (American Diabetes Association/ADA, 2009; Smeltzer, et al, 2010). Diabetes mellitus has become a major health problem because its complications are short-term and long term. One form of chronic complications that often occur in people with diabetes mellitus is diabetic foot ulcer (Prompers et al, 2008). Leg ulcers affect approximately 70% of these ulcers are primed by chronic venous insufficiency (CVI), with 20% to 25% being attributed to arterial or mixed disease (Nelson and Bradley, 2003; Bryant & Nix, 2007: 258). It is difficult to accurately determine the prevalence and incidence of these ulcers and separately (Nelzen, Bergqvist, and Lindhagen, 1996; Bryant and Nix, 2007: 258)

Most cases of diabetic foot ulcers are the ultimate manifestation of peripheral neuropathy, vascular abnormalities or a combination of both because of poor blood sugar control conditions (Brownrigg, 2012). Examination of foot vascularization often used for patients with DM who have Peripheral Arterial Disease (PAD) is to measure the value of Ankle Brachial Index (ABI) (Potier, et al. 2011), using Doppler Ultrasound. Doppler ultrasound is used to measure blood flow in both arteries and veins. Measurement helps to
determine the degree of arterial or venous disease in the leg (Carville, 2007). ABI examination is a non-invasive gold standard measurement to detect vascular disorders from peripheral arteries and is recommended as part of the assessment process to help formulate diagnoses in at-risk individuals (Migliacci, 2008). Inappropriateness in diagnosing PAD results in serious considerations such as functional capacity abatement, amputations, depression and quality of life.

Doppler ultrasound is a tool for translating arterial and venous blood flow. This checks for prevention of arterial or venous blood vessels. Examination is very helpful in establishing a proper nursing diagnosis process. Under normal conditions, the systolic pressure on the foot is equal to the hand or slightly higher. In the event of disturbance in the area of the foot, either venous or arterial disturbances, it will produce different systolic pressure. Accurate examination results may help diagnostically lead to venous or arterial disorders, so management of care is also different (Gitarja, 2008).

In addition to ABI examination, foot care is the primary prevention of injury to the diabetic foot. Measures to be performed on foot care for early foot abnormalities, proper nail cutting, good footwear usage, keeping foot and foot rest. Things that should not be done is to cope alone when there is a problem in the foot or with the use of sharp tools or objects. Patients need to know the care of diabetic feet well so that the incidence of gangrenous ulcers and amputations can be avoided (Tambunan, 2011).

Based on the description above, researchers are interested to conduct research entitled “Overview of Ankle Brachial Index in type 2 diabetes mellitus in Sananwetan and Sukorejo Community Health Center BlitarCity”.

**RESEARCH METHODS**

This research was a descriptive research. The sample in this research was diabetes mellitus type 2 in work area of Sananwetan and Sukorejo Public Health Center of Blitar City in June 2017 with sample size 32. Sampling method with purposive sampling according to inclusions and exclusions criteria. Sample inclusion criteria include: (1) patients with diabetes type 2, (2) long suvering with diabetes mellitus more than 1 year, (3) patient age above 40 years. While the exclusion criteria is patients with leg ulcers.

Data collection was conducted at Kepanjen Kidul and Karangsari Village, Blitar City. The researcher notifies the prospective respondents by conducting interviews and checks that are adjusted to the inclusion and exclusion criteria. After given informed consent, then filling the data collection sheet followed by ABI examination on each respondent. Univariate analysis includes ABI score, age, gender, random blood sugar, long diabetes, oral antidiabetic drug (ANTI DIABETIC DRUGS), exercise, smoking history, foot therapy, and diet. Data analysis was done to find out the ABI values in diabetes mellitus type 2 patients.

**RESULT**

| Variable                  | Mean | Median | SD      | Min – Max |
|---------------------------|------|--------|---------|-----------|
| Age                       | 56.66| 56     | 8.015   | 42 – 73   |
| Blood Glucose Levels      | 289.91| 291    | 64,593  | 182 – 410 |

Table 1 describe the results of the analysis of the mean age analysis of respondent in this study was 56.66 ± 8.015 years with the age range of 42 – 73 years. While the average level of blood glucose analysis was 289.91 ± 64,593 with the range 182 – 410 mg/dl.

| Variable                  | Frequency | Persentage |
|---------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Gender                    |           |            |
| Male                      | 12        | 37.5       |
| Female                    | 20        | 62.5       |
| Anti Diabetic Drugs consumtion |       |            |
| Never                     | 7         | 21.9       |
| Not a routine             | 17        | 53.1       |
| Routine                   | 8         | 25         |

Table 2 describe the distribution of respondents that the majority of respondents were female that are 20 respondents (62.5%), as well as the
distribution of respondents by consumption of the diabetic drugs most respondents did not routine consume diabetic drugs 17 respondents (53.1%).

Table 3 Distribuition of respondents by physical exercise, foot therapy, smoke history, and diet in the Village of Kepanjen Kidul and Karangsari, Blitar City, June 2017 \((n = 32)\)

| Variable                  | Frequency | Percentage |
|---------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Physical exercise         |           |            |
| Never                     | 7         | 21.9       |
| Not a routine             | 19        | 59.4       |
| Routine                   | 6         | 18.8       |
| Foot therapy              |           |            |
| No                        | 31        | 96.9       |
| Yes                       | 1         | 3.1        |
| Smoking history           |           |            |
| Never                     | 25        | 78.1       |
| Past                      | 3         | 9.4        |
| Active                    | 4         | 12.5       |
| Diet                      |           |            |
| No                        | 23        | 71.9       |
| Yes                       | 9         | 28.1       |

Table 3 describe the frequency distribution indicating that the majority of respondent were not active in exercise of 19 respondents (59.4%). Almost all respondents never did not foot therapy as much as 31 respondents (96.9%). The results of smoking history analysis showed that the majority of respondents never smoked of 25 respondents (78.1%), and the most respondents dit not implement diabetes mellitus diet as much as 23 respondents (71.9%).

Table 4 Distribution of respondents by ABI values in the Village of Kepanjen Kidul and Karangsari, Blitar City, June 2017 \((n = 32)\)

| Variable                  | Frequency | Percentage |
|---------------------------|-----------|------------|
| ABI right extremity       |           |            |
| Normal                    | 8         | 25         |
| Borderline                | 11        | 34.4       |
| Abnormal                  | 13        | 40.6       |
| ABI Left extremity        |           |            |
| Normal                    | 9         | 28.1       |
| Borderline                | 9         | 28.1       |
| Abnormal                  | 14        | 43.8       |

Table 4 showed that the value of ABI in right extremity is almost half abnormal of 13 respondents (40.6%). Likewise with the left extremity that almost half of the respondent with ABI values in the abnormal category of 14 respondents (43.8%).

Table 5 Cross tabulation of ABI values in right extremity by gender, Anti Diabetic drugs consumption, exercise, smoking history, foot therapy, and diet in Village of Kepanjen Kidul and Karangsari, Blitar City, June 2017 (32)

| Variabel | ABI Right Extremity |   |   |   |
|----------|---------------------|---|---|---|
|          | Normal              | Σ | % | Σ | % | Σ | % |
| Gender   | Male                | 3 | 25 | 2 | 16.7 | 7 | 58.3 |
|          | Female              | 5 | 25 | 9 | 45 | 6 | 30 |
| Anti Diabetic Drugs Consumption | Never | 2 | 28.6 | 2 | 28.6 | 3 | 42.8 |
|          | Past                | 0 | 0 | 1 | 33.3 | 2 | 66.7 |
|          | Active              | 1 | 14.2 | 3 | 42.9 | 3 | 42.9 |
|          | routine             | 7 | 36.8 | 4 | 21.1 | 8 | 42.1 |
|          | Not a routine       | 0 | 0 | 4 | 66.7 | 2 | 33.3 |
| Physical exercise          | Never | 1 | 14.2 | 3 | 42.9 | 3 | 42.9 |
|          | Not a routine       | 7 | 36.8 | 4 | 21.1 | 8 | 42.1 |
|          | routine             | 0 | 0 | 4 | 66.7 | 2 | 33.3 |
| Terapi Kaki                 | Yes     | 0 | 0 | 1 | 100 | 0 | 0 |
|          | No                  | 8 | 25.8 | 10 | 32.3 | 13 | 41.9 |
| Riwayat Merokok              | Never | 8 | 32 | 9 | 36 | 8 | 32 |
|          | Past                | 0 | 0 | 1 | 33.3 | 2 | 66.7 |
|          | Active              | 0 | 0 | 1 | 25 | 3 | 75 |
| Diet                      | Yes     | 1 | 11.2 | 4 | 44.4 | 4 | 44.4 |
|          | No                  | 7 | 30.4 | 7 | 30.4 | 9 | 39.2 |

Table 5 indicates that type 2 diabetics with ABI values of the right extremity categories borderline and abnormal are female gender, abnormal values are high in diabetics who do not routinely consume anti diabetic drugs, abnormal ABI values are many in patients who do not exercise regularly, abnormal ABI values are many in patients who have never performed foot therapy, and abnormal ABI values are high in patients who do not carry out diet.
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11 peoples (34.4%) and abnormal 13 peoples (40, 6%). While the value of ABI on left extremities in normal category 9 peoples (28.1%), borderline 9 peoples (28.1%) and abnormal 14 peoples (43.8%). Diabetic foot with ulcer is a frequent complication of diabetes. Diabetic foot ulcers are caused by the process of peripheral neuropathy, peripheral arterial disease, or a combination of both. Thus increasing morbidity, mortality, and reducing the quality of life of patients (Perkeni, 2015).

Therefore, in diabetes mellitus needs to be done vascular examination of the foot or commonly called ABI examination. Ankle Brachial Index is a non-invasive vascular screening test for identifying large blood vessels, peripheral arterial disease by comparing cytotologic blood pressure in the ankle to systolic pressure in the brachialis performed using Doppler Vascular. The goal of ABI examination is to support the diagnosis of vascular disease by providing an objective indicator of arterial perfusion to the lower extremities. Abnormal ABI values reflect atherosclerosis. (WOCN Wound Commite, 2012).

Peripheral vascular damage in the hands and feet, called Peripheral Vascular Disease (PVD), can occur earlier and the process is faster in people with diabetes mellitus than those who do not have diabetes mellitus. The pulse of the blood vessels in the leg feels weak or does not feel at all. If diabetes lasts for more than 10 years, a third of men and women may develop the disorder (Ndraha, 2014).

Hyperglycaemia that occurs due to excessive carbohydrate input, reduced glucose consumption in the tissues, increased liver glucose production, long-lasting insulin defects will initiate various forms of abnormalities such as neuropathy and peripheral arterial disease (PAD) (Criqui, 2011). The presence of this PAD will reduce arterial perfusion to the lower extremities. This decrease of perfusion is usually characterized by the loss of peripheral pulsation and the presence of clinical manifestations such as claudication intermittent (pain of walking time, and improved at rest), will facilitate the development of infection, ulceration and wound healing, can even lead to gangrene which leads to amputation foot (Creager, 2012).

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DISCUSSION

Description of ABI values in patients with diabetes mellitus

The results of this study indicate that the ABI values of right extremity in type 2 diabetes mellitus in Village of KepanjenKidul and Karangsari in normal category are 8 peoples (25%), borderline 11 peoples (34.4%) and abnormal 13 peoples (40, 6%). While the value of ABI on left extremities in normal category 9 peoples (28.1%), borderline 9 peoples (28.1%) and abnormal 14 peoples (43.8%).
people with diabetes mellitus is no significant difference.

Half of the respondents were male. Increased risk of PAD in men is likely due to previous smoking history. The data obtained as many as 3 respondents (9.4%) never smoked and now they have stopped smoking, and 4 respondents (12.5%) are active smokers. Cigarette smoke is known to cause vascular endothelial dysfunction, increase the concentration of fibrinogen, decrease fibrinolytic activity and increase platelet aggregation. Smokers are three times higher risk for intermittent claudication and show symptoms 10 years earlier than nonsmokers. (O’Donnell et al, 2011).

A total of 7 (41.2%) respondents with abnormal ABI values on right extremity were respondents with non-routine categories consuming anti diabetic drugs, as did the left limb. Number of respondents with abnormal ABI score on right exercise non-exercise routine as many as 8 (42.1%) respondents, while abnormal ABI score on left extremity in non-routine respondents exercised as many as 9 (47.4%) respondents. The number of respondents with abnormal ABI values on the right extremity who had never performed foot therapy were 13 (41.9%) respondents. While respondents with abnormal ABI values on the left extremity who never performed foot therapy as much as 14 (45.2%) respondents. Number of respondents with abnormal ABI value on right extremity who did not implement diabetes diet as many as 9 (39.2%) respondents. While a number of respondents with abnormal ABI value on left extremity that did not implement diet of diabetes mellitus counted 10 (44.5%) of respondents.

Approximately 70% of cases of foot ulcers are the main causes of Chronic Vein Insufficiency (CVI), and about 20% to 25% with arterial or mixed diseases (Nelson and Bradley, 2003; Brayant& Nix 2007). Risk factors for venous blood disorders in patients with diabetes mellitus include age over 50 years, more women than men, heart problems, obesity, and others (Seemons&Elston, 2009).

Key strategies for considering venous insufficiency and hypertension, therapy, management; Additional actions. For body health, pharmacological agents, and routine leg elevation (Brayant& Nix 2007)

CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

Conclusion

The result of the research have shown that the most of the respondents who have been done ABI examination results are abnormal on the left and right extremities. Additional data showed that some respondents did not adhere to diet, did not do foot therapy, did not exercise regulary, and did not routinely consume diabetic drugs.

Suggestion

Based on the research that has been done, obtained ABI examination results in people with diabetes mellitus mostly in the category of borderline and abnormal. Some factors that may affect the results include lack of adherence in the diet, not exercise routine, never do foot therapy, and not routinely in consuming anti diabetic drugs. Therefore, for nurse specially nurse Specialist of Medical Nursing of Surgical and Wound Care is expected to conduct comprehensive study in order to formulate a comprehensive action plan which of course to overcome the problem that happened in diabetes mellitus.

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