

# Prevention of Type 2 DM after GDM



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  - Management
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4. Prevention of type 2 diabetes
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  - Screening
  - Future

# Pregnancy and diabetes

- Approx 650,000 pregnancies in UK/yr
- 2-5% involve mothers with diabetes
- GDM / type 1 diabetes / type 2 diabetes (87.5% / 7.5% / 5%)

	Prevalence	Number of pregnancies in England
Total singleton pregnancies		600,200
Type 1 diabetes	0.3%	1,800
Type 2 diabetes	0.2%	1,200
Gestational diabetes	3.5%	20,400
Total diabetes in pregnancy		<b>23,400</b>

# Gestational Diabetes Mellitus

## Definition

- Any impairment of glucose tolerance first recognised in pregnancy

## Risk factors

- pre-pregnancy body mass index above 30 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- previous gestational diabetes
- family history of diabetes (first-degree relative with diabetes)
- previous macrosomic baby weighing  $\geq 4.5$  kg
- family origin with a high prevalence of diabetes
  
- 70% will need oral agents +/- insulin

# GDM – latest guidance

- New NICE guidance based on QALYs
  - If willing to pay £20,000 per QALY (no Rx)
  - If willing to pay £30,000 per QALY most cost effective

Diabetes in pregnancy: management of diabetes and its complications from preconception to the postnatal period

NICE guideline  
Published: 25 February 2015  
[nice.org.uk/guidance/ng3](http://nice.org.uk/guidance/ng3)

→ WHO 1999:

LABORATORY PLASMA GLUCOSE (mmol/L)		
	Fasting	2 hour
GDM	≥ 5.6	≥ 7.8
Normal	< 5.6	< 7.8

# Screening for GDM

- Plasma glucose (fasting or non-fasting)
  - Raised fasting or random BG
  - 75g OGTT
- Note of risk factors for GDM
  - Any x 1 → booked for 75g OGTT at 24-28 weeks
- Random BG  $\geq 11\text{mmol/L}$  = GDM
  - No need for OGTT
- Previous GDM
  - Offer home CBG testing **OR** OGTT approx 16/40



# Treatment of diabetes in pregnancy

- Frequent SMBG, 4-7 times daily
- See every 2 – 4 weeks
- Dietician review
- Weights

TIME	BG (mmol/L)
Fasting	< 5.3
1-hour	< 7.8
2-hour	< 6.4

- Treatment
  - Diet
  - Metformin
  - Insulin



# ACHOIS study *NEJM* 2005; 352(24): 2477 - 2486

- Prospective interventional study to examine whether screening and treatment to reduce maternal glucose levels reduce pregnancy risk
- Methods:
  - OGTT 24 – 34 weeks (WHO definition for GDM, if +ve → blinded and randomized)
  - Dietary advice, monitoring and treatment to achieve normoglycaemia vs. no treatment unless attending team felt appropriate on the basis of indications that arose
  - Primary outcomes infants – serious perinatal complications
  - Primary outcomes mothers – IOL, c-section
- Results:
  - 490 (Rx group) vs. 510 (no Rx group) women
  - Relative risk of serious perinatal complications 1% vs 4% (adjusted for maternal age, ethnicity, parity)
  - IOL: 39% vs. 29%
  - C-section rates similar

# HAPO – Hyperglycaemia and Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes

*NEJM 2008; 358(19): 1991-2002*

- 25000 patients from 15 centres
- 75g OGTT at 24-32/40
- 1<sup>o</sup> outcomes:
  - BW > 90<sup>th</sup> centile
  - C-section
  - Neonatal hypoglycaemia
  - Cord blood c-peptide > 90<sup>th</sup> centile
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  - C-section 1.55
  - Neonatal hypoglycaemia 1.11
  - Cord blood c-peptide > 90<sup>th</sup> centile 1.08
- 2<sup>o</sup> outcomes:
  - Premature delivery 1.05
  - Dystocia/birth injury 1.18
  - Need for NICU 0.99
  - Hyperbilirubinaemia 1.21
  - PET 1.00

# Risk of developing type 2 diabetes

- Depends what paper you read!
    - Old studies
    - Variable ethnicity
    - Different diagnostic criteria
  - What is useful?
    - Incidence of type 2 diabetes following GDM
    - Predictors of type 2 diabetes following GDM
    - What is the risk for women with GDM?
      - Systemic reviews
      - Meta-analysis
- education and intensive screening of these groups
- prevention

# Gestational Diabetes and the Incidence of Type 2 Diabetes

*Diabetes Care* 2002; **25**: 1862 – 1868

- PubMed search 1965 – 2001
  - 28 studies
- Cumulative incidence of diabetes ranged from 2.6% to > 70% (6 wks post-partum to 28 years)
- Longest study: Boston Mass = 50% after 6 yrs, 70% after 28 yrs
- Women from mixed or non-white cohorts progress to type 2 diabetes at similar rates
- Whites and non-whites appear to progress to type 2 diabetes at similar rates (however fewer studies in white cohort)
- Progression greatest in first 5 years post-partum

# Predictors of Postpartum Diabetes in Women with Gestational Diabetes Mellitus

*Diabetes 2006; 55: 792 – 797*

- Prospective study from Germany recruiting between 1989 – 1999
  - 302 patients
  - 53% cumulative 8yr progression to type 2 diabetes
- Risks:
  - autoAbs (HR 4.1)
  - Requirement of insulin during pregnancy (HR 4.7)
  - BMI > 30 (HR 1.5)
  - Women with more than two prior pregnancies (HR 2.5)
- No association:
  - FHx
  - Maternal age
  - Child's birth weight
  - CRP at 9 months

# Type 2 diabetes mellitus after gestational diabetes: a systematic review and meta-analysis

*Lancet 2009; 373(9677): 1773-9*

- Identified cohort studies between 1960 and 2009
    - 20 studies selected including 675455 women
    - Calculated unadjusted relative risks
    - Sub-group analysis incl. ethnicity, maternal age, BMI
- Increased risk of developing type 2 diabetes compared with those who had a normoglycaemic pregnancy – relative risk 7.43
- “there is no reference to the power that the term ‘gestational diabetes’ has to transform a happy pregnant woman into an anxious or depressed one





- 44 page Guide to Gestational Diabetes

“After having gestational diabetes, you are at an increased risk of developing the condition in future pregnancies, and you’re also more likely to develop Type 2 diabetes later on.”

## Dietary advice when pregnant

- “weight gain varies greatly during pregnancy”
- “most women gain between 10kg and 12.5kg (22-26lb)”
- “a healthy diet is an important part of a healthy lifestyle at any time”
- “you don’t need a special diet”
- “you will probably find that you are hungrier than usual but you don’t need to eat for two even if you are having twins”
- “you need to be careful with your diet if you develop gestational diabetes, your Doctor or Midwife will advise you”
- NICE: Public health guideline [PH27] July 2010 “Do not weigh women repeatedly during pregnancy as a matter of routine”

# Eatwell Guide

Check the label on packaged foods

Each serving (150g) contains

Energy 1046kJ 250kcal	Fat 3.0g	Saturates 1.3g	Sugars 34g	Salt 0.9g
13%	LOW	LOW	HIGH	MED
	4%	7%	38%	15%

of an adult's reference intake  
Typical values (as sold) per 100g: 697kJ/ 167kcal

Choose foods lower in fat, salt and sugars

Use the Eatwell Guide to help you get a balance of healthier and more sustainable food. It shows how much of what you eat overall should come from each food group.



Water, lower fat milk, sugar-free drinks including tea and coffee all count.  
Limit fruit juice and/or smoothies to a total of 150ml a day.



Eat less often and in small amounts

Per day 2000kcal 2500kcal = ALL FOOD + ALL DRINKS

Source: Public Health England in association with the Welsh government, Food Standards Scotland and the Food Standards Agency in Northern Ireland

# Prevention of type 2 DM after GDM

- No intervention trial to date except one that examined troglitazone that was subsequently discontinued because of hepatotoxicity in other populations
- Complications in discontinuity of care
  - Loss to any follow-up post delivery
  - Maternal underestimates of risk
  - Difficulties in continued implementation of exercise and diet

# Pre-diabetes

- Synonyms
  - IFG, IGT, borderline diabetes
- Not recognised by the WHO
  - ADA – HbA1c 5.7% / 39mmol/mol
- Simply put means that blood glucose levels higher than normal and at greater risk of developing type 2 diabetes
- Are we screening this cohort?
- How do we improve screening uptake?

# Screening for type 2 diabetes in mothers with previous GDM

- Main NPID outcomes
  - Growing proportion of pregnancies in women with T2 DM
  - 44.9% vs. CEMACH 27.3%
  - Proportion of mothers with type 2 diabetes up by 60%
- Post-natal screening
  - **No** 6 week OGTT
    - Fasting glucose
  - Annual HbA1c and/or fasting glucose

# DIAMIND trial – *Diabet Med* 2015; **32(10):1368-76**

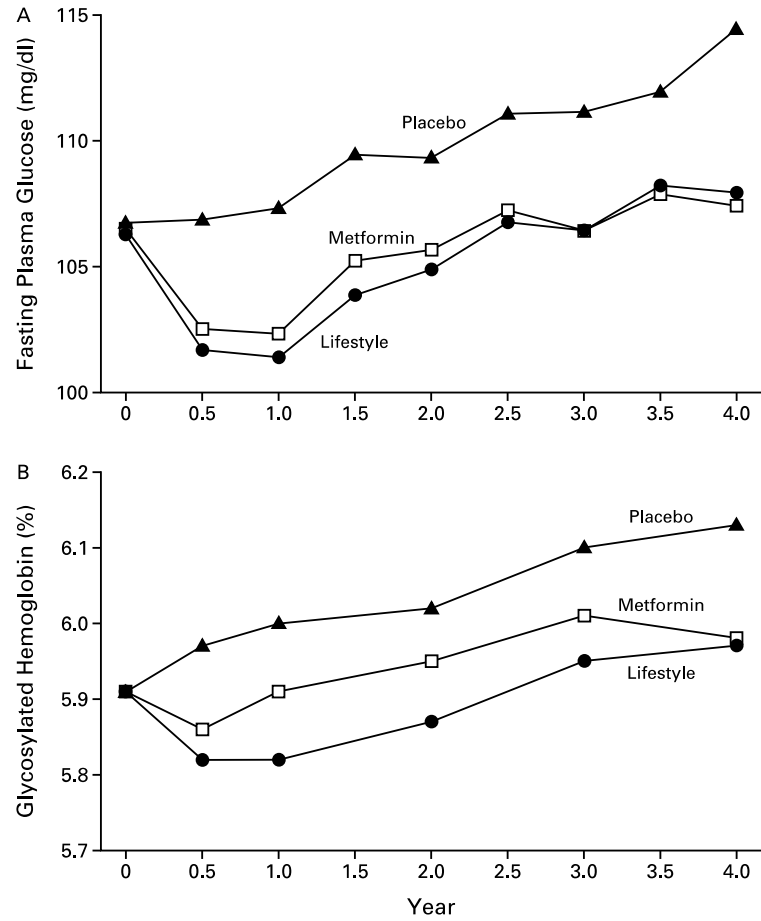
- Randomized controlled trial assessing whether an SMS reminder system for women, after GDM, would increase their attendance for OGTT by 6 months
- Subjects:
  - GDM in recent pregnancy
  - Mobile phone
  - normal glucose prior to discharge
  - n = 140 sent SMS at 6/52, 3/12, 6/12 vs. n = 136 sent x1 SMS at 6/12
- Results:
  - SMS group = 104 vs. control 103

# Reduction in the incidence of type 2 diabetes with lifestyle intervention or metformin - DPPR Group. *NEJM* 2002; 346(6): 393-403

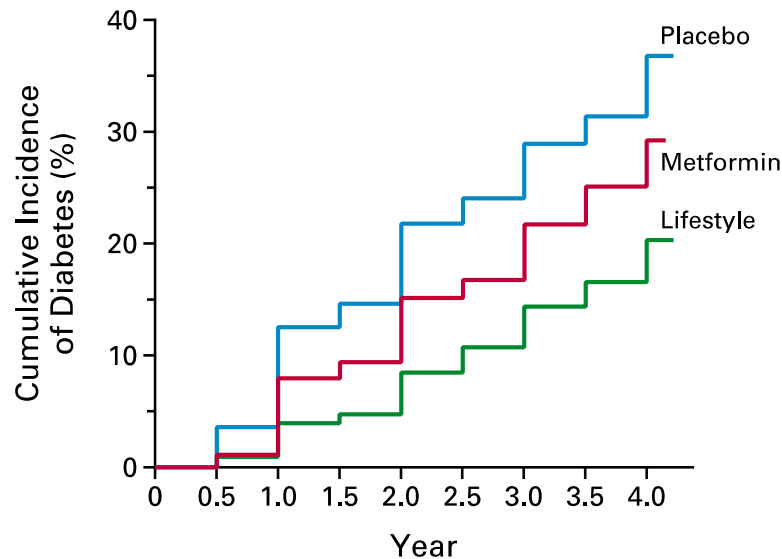
- Methods
  - 3234 persons without diabetes (50% from ethnic minorities)
  - Elevated fasting and post-prandial glucose concentrations
  - BMI > 24
  - Placebo vs. metformin (850mg tds) vs. intensive lifestyle modification
    - Aim 7% weight loss
    - 150 minutes of physical activity/wk
    - 16 lesson curriculum covering diet, exercise and behaviour modification; 1 to 1 basis in first 24wks and subsequent individual monthly sessions and group sessions
- Primary Outcome
  - Diabetes diagnosed on annual OGTT or semi-annual fasting glucose



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- High rates of diabetes
- Lifestyle intervention reduced the incidence of diabetes by 58%
- Metformin reduced the incidence of diabetes by 31%
- To prevent one case of DM in 3 years:
  - 6.9 persons would have to participate in the lifestyle intervention program
  - 13.9 would have to receive metformin
- Results the same regardless of ethnicity, BMI, age

# The future - big decisions to be made...

- NHS England – Diabetes Prevention Strategy
- Public Health policy
  - Childhood obesity strategy
- Governmental role
  - Childhood obesity strategy????
  - Advertising restrictions
  - Some supermarket promotions banned
  - Extension of sugar tax
- School role re: exercise
- Prevention of type 2 diabetes study in mothers with GDM!

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# Many thanks

- Any questions?

