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Childhood Onset Type 2 Diabetes in A High-risk Cohort: General Cohort Description and Influence of Maternal Metabolic Factors

**Background**

Exposure to pregestational diabetes is a significant risk factor for childhood-onset type 2 diabetes (T2D). This study analyzes data from the Next Generation birth cohort, a prospective cohort consisting primarily of First Nations mothers with and without pregestational T2D and their offspring.

**Objective**

Study aims include to: (a) report metabolic outcomes of offspring in two age groups (7-9.9 and 14-16.9 years), and (b) explore the association between maternal metabolic factors and offspring T2D at ages 7-17.

**Methods**

Clinical and biochemical data for mothers and offspring were extracted from the Next Generation birth cohort. Descriptive statistics were used. Chi-squared and Wilcoxon rank sum tests were employed for comparative statistics. Multivariate logistic regression analysis was conducted to identify associations between main effects.

**Results**

The cohort includes 654 offspring, with 58 (8.9%) diagnosed with T2D between the ages of 7-17 years. Of the total cohort, 402 (61.5%) were born to mothers with pregestational T2D. Offspring aged 7-9.9 years had higher median BMI z-scores (2.31 [IQR 1.57, 2.58] vs 1.76 [1.08, 2.08],  $p < 0.001$ ) median total cholesterol concentrations (4.10 mmol/l [IQR 3.70, 4.40] vs 3.60 [2.91, 4.20],  $p = 0.03$ ), median AST levels (29.00 U/l [IQR 24.00, 36.00] vs 18.00 [15.00, 32.00],  $p < 0.001$ ), and hypertension rates (57% vs 24.1%,  $p < 0.001$ ) compared to those aged 14-16.9 years. Mothers of offspring with T2D compared to mothers of offspring without T2D were younger at delivery (21.56 years [IQR 19.54, 25.18] vs 23.97 [20.06, 29.63],  $p = 0.004$ ), had lower median first trimester BMI (27.11 kg/m<sup>2</sup> [IQR 25.39, 30.32] vs 29.26 [25.30, 35.18],  $p = 0.013$ ), and higher gestational HbA1C levels ( $p \leq 0.01$ ). Multivariate analysis found no significant associations between maternal metabolic factors (HbA1c, lipids, smoking, BMI, gestational weight gain) and childhood-onset T2D.

**Conclusion**

Offspring of mothers with pregestational T2D exhibit high rates of metabolic dysfunction, suggesting need for early screening and intervention.

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