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A Review on Haematology- Factors contributes to iron deficiency anaemia in women

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ABSTRACT

Iron deficiency anaemia is a type of anemia caused by a lack of healthy red blood cells in the body. It is most prevalent among pregnant women and puts the new born at risk of delays in growth. An outline the core causes of iron deficiency blood loss in teenagers is a successful key to effective therapy and prevention. An anemia due to is additionally treatable through the use of iron pills or infusions and eating iron-rich foods such as spinach, red meat, chicken, sea food, white beans, eggs, and many other.

The diagnosis of iron deficiency anemia is one of the most crucial steps in which a doctor may order an examination of the blood that looks for haemoglobin. The most common symptoms of iron deficiency anaemia includes increase heart rate [tachycardia], dizziness, shortness of breath, body weakness, chest pain, and many others. Iron deficiency anaemia causes includes blood loss, gastrointestinal [GI] tract problems food that contains low iron such as peanuts, grains, Increased heart rate [tachycardia], dizziness, shortness of breath, bodily weakness, chest pain, and other symptoms are prevalent in iron deficient anaemia.

Blood loss and gastrointestinal [GI] tract illnesses are among the causes of iron deficient anaemia. Low iron foods include peanuts, cereals, and beans. Iron deficiency anaemia is a concern in pregnant women, persons with renal failure, teenage girls and women of childbearing age due to their periods, and it is also a risk in babies as they grow. As a result, iron deficiency anaemia has three stages, beginning with mild deficiency. Iron deficiency anaemia and minor iron insufficiency.

Untreated iron deficiency anaemia is one of the difficulties that can lead to major complications in patients, such as restless legs syndrome, heart and lung problems, and pregnancy troubles. Children are more likely to have complications, infections, fatigue, and developmental delays. Iron deficiency anaemia is a condition characterised by a lower number of red blood cells than normal, which is why many doctors treat iron deficiency anaemia with iron supplements that can be taken as liquid or pills for 60-90 days. As a result, the medication aids the uptake of iron in the body.

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I. Introduction

Iron deficiency anaemia is a type of anemia caused by a lack of healthy red blood cells in the body. iron deficiency anaemia results. Although iron deficiency anemia seldom results in death, it has a substantial negative effect on human health. This disease is simple to recognise and treat in the modern world, but doctors commonly ignore it. In comparison, it is an illness which heavily impacts the population of developing nations. Globally, there is still a terrible lack of effective prevention and treatment for iron deficiency anaemia, especially for mothers and children from disadvantaged backgrounds. Following a discussion regarding the disease's medical and diagnostic characteristics, attention is next focused on pertinent economic, environmental, infectious, and genetic factors that affect populations all over the world. The outermost layer of our planet contains 5% iron.

Iron is helpful for advancing the biological process because of its redox states. The mono- or ferric transferrin, which is present in substantial quantities throughout blood plasma, is a particularly direct source of iron for erythroblasts. Low iron saturation of the available transferrin is often correlated with iron deficient anaemia. Diverric transferrin absorbs iron from three different places: the gut (from diet), the liver (from stored ferritin iron), and macrophages (from recycled iron). Typically, a host's iron reserves have been exhausted or lost before the host experiences anaemia. Therefore, the requirements for erythrocyte formation must be met by dietary and erythrocyte-recycled iron. The freshly created erythrocytes will have lower protein if iron losses

continue resulting in a decrease in the amount of iron given by the same number of senescent erythrocytes. Contrary to the thalassemia trait, the reduction in internal hemoglobin level is not made up for by producing more erythrocytes in the iron-deficient state. Reticulocytosis is therefore typically absent. Iron deficiency anaemia typically takes months or years to develop if there hasn't been a significant hemorrhage. A variety of factors including the amount of iron in the diet and the efficiency of the digestive system, the recovery from anaemia caused by iron shortage may be equally delayed (1).

Iron deficiency anaemia is the most typical forms of anaemia that develop when the person lacks adequate iron to generate hemoglobin. Anaemia caused by an iron deficiency take place where there is insufficient numbers of wholesome red cells in the circulation that supply oxygen to the organs and other parts of the body. As a result, without enough iron, your body is unable to create enough protein called hemoglobin that enables red blood cell to transport oxygen. Therefore, anaemia caused by an iron deficiency may make you feel exhausted and breathless. Individuals who has iron deficiency anemia (IDA) are going to be therapy with the goal of refilling iron accumulation and restoring hemoglobin levels to its standard. These have been found to increase quality of life, morbidity, and forecasting in long terms disease, as well as pregnancy outcomes. Many long- term inflammatory disorders, such as congestive heart failure, long-standing renal disease, and inflammatory bowleg syndrome disease, are iron deficiency in a person with long term diseases, as well as in preoperative and pregnant women. Therefore we shall address advantages as well as disadvantages of oral and intravenous iron supplementation in any cohort, as well as provide an outline of the cost associated with method.one of the main frequent illnesses afflicting humans is iron deficiency, and haemolytic anaemia remains a serious public health concern worldwide (2).

II. Stages of iron deficiency anaemia

There are three stages in iron deficiency anaemia

Stage 1: Diminished total

Lowered total reduced total, also known as body iron content, is the first stage of iron insufficiency anemia and is characterized by a drop in serum ferritin. The concentration of ferritin in the blood generally correlates well with total iron reserves. Still, there may be variable degrees of reduction within this stage. A decline in athletic performance isn't generally conspicuous when iron reserves in the liver are low, but it's possible when iron stores in the cadaverous muscle or other tissues are depleted. However, ask your cardiologist to check the levels of serum transferrin receptors and ferritin if you feel you have low iron levels. Still, keep in mind that serum ferritin is constantly increased in endurance athletes and isn't a dependable predictor on its own.

Stage 2: Reduced red blood cell formation

This is the alternate stage of iron insufficiency anemia, and it occurs when the iron force is inadequate to maintain red blood cell development. This stage is indicated by high quantities of a blood marker called zinc protoporphyrin (ZPP). When iron is in short supply, zinc is substituted, resulting in ZPP. Your croaker may measure your transferrin achromatism to help diagnose this stage. Transferrin is blood proteins that deliver iron to the general body. However, this test shows iron insufficiency if less than 15 of this protein contain iron.

Stage 3: Iron deficiency anaemia [IDA]

This is the final step in which anemia develops, causing hemoglobin to drop below the normal range. Still, the normal range will be slightly advanced for athletes living at an advanced mound. In this stage, a patient may begin to notice iron-insufficiency anemia symptoms⁽²⁾.

1. Factors contributes to iron deficiency Anaemia

One of the main factors which contributed to iron insufficiency anemia is habitual blood loss similar as the following

i- Peptic ulcer

Peptic ulcer complaints are characterized by the development of painful blisters or ulcers when it's come to filling of the digestive system or the first initial segment of the small intestine (the duodenum). A thick layer of mucus typically protects the stomach from the contents of digestive fluids. Numerous factors still weaken this defensive hedge, allowing stomach acid to harm the towel. Gastronomes are rare diseases that occur when you have a peptic ulcer complaint. This pattern generally results in tumours of acid-producing cells in the digestive tract. As a result, these tumours might be noncancerous or cancerous, and the cell produces an inordinate quantum of acid, which damages stomach towel Peptic ulcers originate in the original part of the small intestine (duodenum) and occur on the filling of the oesophagus, stomacheven the small intestine.Nausea and vomiting seems to be a peptic ulcer's greatest prevalent symptom. The suffering may exist subtle or scorching, and it may come and go. Some people have pain when their stomach is empty or at night, and it may go away for a short time after they eat. Eating may aggravate the pain for some. Numerous cases of peptic ulcers have no symptoms. They may not show symptoms until an ulcer causes trouble. Still, you should communicate your croaker

Right formerly, if you have symptoms that could be caused by a problem. • Black or pitchy coprolite, or red or maroon blood mixed with your faces; • red blood in your heave, or heave that resembles coffee grounds • Abrupt, violent, or severe abdominal pain that persists • dizziness or fainting • a change or worsening of your peptic ulcer symptoms There were two kinds of peptic ulcers

1. A Gastric ulcer. This is a form of stomach ulcer that develops on the inside of the stomach.

2. Duodenal ulcer. This is a form of ulcer that occurs on the inside of the small intestine's upper part (duodenum)

In figure 1, below demonstrate the location of gastric and duodenum ulcer.



The most common causes of peptic ulcer includes the following

1- Helicobacter (H. pylori) infection is one of the most prevalent causes of peptic ulcers. Infected saliva, vomit, or faeces can spread the bacterium from person to person. Food or water contaminated with an infected person's saliva, faeces, or vomit is also included.

2- NSAIDS (nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory medications)

These are the medications that are commonly used to treat pain, inflammation, and high temperatures. They are mostly typically used to treat symptoms such as headaches and uncomfortable periods. As a result, the most prevalent non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications are as follows:

- 1- Disprin, a kind of aspirin
- 2- Ibuprofen, for example, Nurofen
- 3- Diclofenac, for example, voitaren
- 4- Naproxen, for example, Naprosyn
- 5- Celecoxib, often known as Celebrex

These are some of the most common causes of peptic ulcers, however they also increase the chance of ulcer be damage ⁽⁴⁾.

ii- Deficiency anaemia

Deficiency Anaemia is a condition where there are not enough healthy Red blood cells throughout the body which supply oxygen to the tissues and organs. Anaemia comes in a variety of forms. When your body does not have enough iron, you have iron deficiency anaemia.

iii- Gastrointestinal bleeding

Gastrointestinal bleeding (GIB) is a general term for any type while in gastrointestinal system of bleeding, ranging between the mouth and rectum. GI bleeding can be a sign of an illness, not the sickness itself Hemorrhoids, peptic ulcers, oesophageal rips or inflammation, diverticulosis and diverticulitis, ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease, colonic polyps, or cancer of the colon, stomach, mouth, and throat are all possible causes of GI bleeding. As a result, there are two types of gastrointestinal tracts: upper and lower gastrointestinal tracts ⁽⁵⁾.



Figure 2 below, indicate upper and lower gastrointestinal tract within the body.

Concerns about gastrointestinal bleeding are frequently raised in both emergency rooms and routine car

e.

Hematemesis, melena, or hematuria is symptoms of sudden and otherwise obvious gastrointestinal blee ding. Favourable bowel movements tests for mysticism body fluid or haemolytic anemia. Haematocrit are gastrointestinal frequent chronic and perhaps bleeding. signs of even occult Obscure gastrointestinal bleeding is persistent, topmost diagnostic imaging bleeding from the small intestine and colonoscopy assessment. Clinical diagnosis is critical because it drives conclusive examination and mediation. Previously mentioned study summarises that general investigation approach to gastrointestinal tract and offers practitioners with a workable guide. Whether the bleeding determined in gastrointestinal bleeding is a common source of iron deficiency anemia.individuals may be having maroon-coloured faces or blood in their stools that can be quick bleeding, but they loss its typically unnoticed by the person since blood dropping through the gastrointestinal tract of up to 100 ml/day should be coupled by normal-appearing of stools. The little bowel's physical reaction to bleeding is to boost iron involvement at two to thrice up regulating proteins Ferro proteins monovalent transporter and duodenal cytochrome, as down regulating iron overload.

In addition to, if iron drops reach 5 mg/day over an extended duration of time, the person iron stores will be drain, resulting in iron deficiency anaemia.Make sure long-term gastrointestinal tract is caused by a diversity of lesions that can take place anywhere along the alimentary tract. Iron deficiency anaemia is more common in people who take drug such as nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory medicines on a regular basis. Endoscopic assessment of intestinal region can often identify the area of angiodysplasia or other structural diseases. However, the source of hidden gastrointestinal bleeding remains unclear in 10-40% of individuals^{(6).}

2. Treatments

Iron deficiency anemia can be treated in different methods base on the patient conditions and underlying causes such as chronic blood loss like in gastrointestinal bleeding, peptic ulcer, menstruation bleeding and etc. so in that way when a doctor's therapy iron deficiency anemia they will make sure that they confirm the causes in order to outline the possible treatments. Therefore the first test requires for the patients is complete blood count (CBC) in order to know the patients red blood cells status. Then a test dose for iron dextrose and ferrous gluconate is an additional suggestion. A needle is used to inject iron through an IV into the patient's vein.

The operation depends on the recommended therapy from the healthcare provider and can take a few hours. It occurs in a doctor's office or clinic. Iron injections are frequently given to the patient over a number of visits until his or her iron levels are normal. The patient may need continuous iron intake if he or she lacks the ability to use oral iron supplements. Avoid taking any supplements, as without any prescription by doctor ⁽⁷⁾.

Blood transfusions

Red blood cell transfusions also provide a supply of iron to your body or fast boost the amount of iron and red cell in your blood. They could be used in treat severe iron deficient anaemia. In individuals with iron deficient anaemia, there is no commonly agreed threshold for transfusing packed red blood cells. Although guidelines frequently specify certain haemoglobin readings as indications to transfuse, the patient's clinical condition and symptoms must also be considered. Transfusion is advised in pregnant women that hemoglobin concentrations is under 6 g/dL due to possibility of poor foetal oxygenation, which can result in unreliable foetal heart tracings, low amniotic fluid volumes, foetal cerebral vasodilation, and foetal death. If transfusion is necessary, two units of packed red blood cells should be administered before the clinical state is evaluated to guide further treatment⁽⁸⁾.

Surgery

If you have life-threatening bleeding that is causing anaemia, surgery may be required. For example, surgery may be required to treat on going bleeding caused by a stomach ulcer or colon cancer. If your body is rapidly degrading red blood cells, your spleen may need to be removed. The spleen is an organ in the body that eliminates worn-out red blood cells. A spleen that is larger or sick may eliminate more red blood cells than usual, resulting in anaemia ⁽⁹⁾.

3. Diagnose

Diagnosis can be considered as the main important step where by a doctor may ask tests like:

Haemoglobin: This is because a lower-than-normal result implies a significant likelihood of anaemia. As a consequence, a hemoglobin (Hb) level of less than 13.0 g/dL for male adults, less than 12.0 g/dL for woman who are not pregnant, and less than 11.0 g/dL for pregnant women is considered anaemic this is according to the World Health Organization (WHO). Caution is suggested, especially when interpreting observations that are on the borderline, as Hb levels might vary based on ethnic background and age. Additionally, normal Hb levels may be higher in smoking and people who live at higher altitudes and endurance sports activities may alter baseline Hb levels. Macrocytic anemia can be distinguished from iron deficiency anemia, that is hypochromic and frequently microcytic, by the mean corpuscular Hb and volume.

Multiple nutrient Insufficiencies (such as digestibility) with the ingestion or thiopurine medications (such as azathioprine in IBD) can cause a concomitant iron deficiency anemia and microcytosis, with the subsequent normocytic anemia. A wide red cell distribution width in this instance helps to identify the iron deficiency component. This condition can be ruled out using platelet and leukocyte counts. In areas where microscopic, hypochromic anemia is prevalent, thalassemia characteristics should be investigated. Iron deficiency is detected using both the blood level of the iron reserve protein ferritin as well as the transferrin is concentration, which reflects the copper accessible during erythropoiesis. Contrarily, the acute phase protein ferritin increases during inflammation. Indicators of inflammation such C-reactive protein aid in the identification of these circumstances ⁽¹⁰⁾.

Red blood cell size and colour: Red blood cells in patients with iron deficiency anaemia are smaller and darker in colour than normal. RBCs have a diameter of 6 to 8 m. Normal RBCs appear disc-shaped on a peripheral blood smear, with a pale-staining central area known as the central pallor. The basic rule of thumb for assessing red cell size on a blood sample is to compare them to the nucleus of a tiny normal lymphocyte. The normal lymphocyte nucleus is around 8 m in diameter. Of course, this method is not without flaws, as red cells with lower haemoglobin content tend to flatten out more on a slide and appear larger than they are.

Figure 4, below show the normal and abnormal red blood cell size and its colour.



Haematocrit: This is a proportion of the quantity of red blood cells overall in your blood; typical values for adult women range among 35.5 and 45 per cent, while adult men range between 38.3 and 48.6 per cent. As a result, the volume may vary based on your age ⁽¹¹⁾.

Ferritin is a blood protein that includes iron; this protein plays an important function in storing iron in the body; so, if your blood ferritin levels are lower than normal, it signals that your body's iron stores are low meaning you suffer an iron deficiency⁽¹²⁾ other iron markers, such as reticulocyte haemoglobin concentration, which in the presence of a deeper infection or inflammatory is indicative of the iron present in the bone marrow for erythropoiesis because reticulocytes are only a few hours old, may be helpful. The assessment of soluble transferrin receptors is an alternative that is expected to be more easily available.

In situations of iron deficiency with raised elytroid activity (such as after management of foreign inflammation promoting medications), there is raised expression of Trans membrane receptors for transferred proteins in the bone marrow, and some of these receptors are appreciable in the serum. The fact that it is less reliable than ferritin, the fact that it is still not commonly used, and it's important that the clinician rule out other possible causes of elevated elytroid activity are some of its drawbacks. When nothing else works. And it is critical to determine whether iron insufficiency exists, a bone marrow biopsy demonstrating the absence of stainable metal is still remains as diagnostic gold standard⁽¹³⁾.

III. Discussion

Aim of current study is to improve diagnostic workup of anaemia utilising traditional iron measures and new haematological indicators, specifically the TP. A 20-month review of regular laboratory diagnoses in a maximum-care hospital looked adequate for this objective. Due to the retroactive approach and the fact that the analysis is impacted by dietary and circadian oscillations of circulating iron, the ability of the present learning may be restricted to certain collection periods, most notably TSAT. For greater objectivity analysis identical to the one presented here, the categorization of people is supply according to different researchers that excluding the use of bone marrow staining (14).

Therapy and iron tablets are frequently coupled as a first step in treatment. It is beneficial to incorporate regular intake of hemoglobin as well as free iron is advised, along with a search for and control of iron uptake improve and opponents. Preparations with a respectable if not excessive elemental iron level (28-50 mg) are acceptable to prevent poor compliance, which is mostly caused by intestinal adverse effects of the medication taken orally. An injection through the vein might only be necessary in serious situations (such as along disease that requires prompt treatment or persistent failure of first-step therapy).

Following eight to ten weeks of treatment, the fundamental examinations should be carried out in order to assess the efficacy of the therapy. Patients with persistently low ferritin levels will benefit from long-term follow-up, with routine blood tests performed approximately once every six to twelve months to assess iron stores, as well as periodic oral supplementation to save iron reserves. Given normal or even high ferritin levels, over time oral or injectable intake of iron is not advised and may even be harmful(15).

IV. Future prospective

The long-term strategy for dealing with anaemia caused by iron deficiency is to give patients the best chance of successful treatment in order to reduce the high infections of iron deficiency anaemia as well as other types of anaemia in overall, such as aplastic anaemia, haemolytic anaemia, sickle cell anaemia, and a number of others. Laboratory and field research could lead to a better medical or mechanistic knowledge of this relationship.

It may be possible to develop and tailor iron therapy to provide the greatest benefit with the least danger if there is a better knowledge for interactions between contamination, swelling, erythropoietin necessary, and hypoxia, as controlled by hepcidin. Studies that use iron status, hemoglobin, or hemophilia as their main endpoints are no longer needed. Instead, functional outcomes (such as cognitive and physical development, growth, and morbidity from infectious diseases in children; reasonable, psychological, physical well-being, and economic productivity) should be conducted (16).

V. Conclusions

The study of iron deficiency anemia is an extremely significant subject to study in order to save people's lives, and that is what matters most in humanity. Even though it takes a long time to get there, if you can save patients' life, which constitutes all that is needed. I learned this while writing my review project

At the end I would like to say that the study of iron deficiency anaemia provides you with enough knowledge to deal with its treatments, prevention, causes, diagnosis, including signs and symptoms in order to go through its medications. Therefore in this modern time the world is now producing many and different techniques to deal with the iron deficiency anaemia which means is also going to take time to follow the new techniques once it is out and well approved by world health organization.

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