

A new diabetes patient sub-classification: What's next?

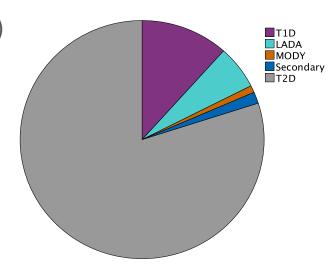
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Current diabetes classification

- Type 1 diabetes autoimmune diabetes in the young (<35 years)
- LADA latent autoimmune diabetes of the adult (>35 years)
- Monogenic diabetes rare mutations (MODY, neonatal)
- Secondary
- Type 2 diabetes everyone else



Is this not enough?

- Individuals with diabetes, especially type 2 diabetes, are very different
 - Risk of complications
 - Need for treatment
 - Response to diabetes medication
- Can we divide diabetes patients into smaller more homogeneous groups that are clinically useful for predicting progression and need for medication?

A new diabetes sub-classification

March 2018, Lancet Diabetes and Endocrinology

Novel subgroups of adult-onset diabetes and their association 🔭 🕕 with outcomes: a data-driven cluster analysis of six variables



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Summary

Background Diabetes is presently classified into two main forms, type 1 and type 2 diabetes, but type 2 diabetes in Lancet Diabetes Endocrinol 2018 particular is highly heterogeneous. A refined classification could provide a powerful tool to individualise treatment regimens and identify individuals with increased risk of complications at diagnosis.

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Five categories for adult diabetes, not just type 1 and type 2, study shows



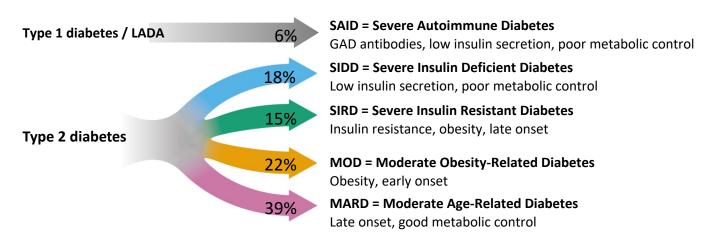
Diabetes is actually five separate diseases, research suggests

By James Gallagher Health and science correspondent, BBC News

Scientists say diabetes is five separate diseases, and treatment could be tailored to each form.

Novel subtypes

 We can reproducibly divide patients into five subgroups with different characteristics and progression

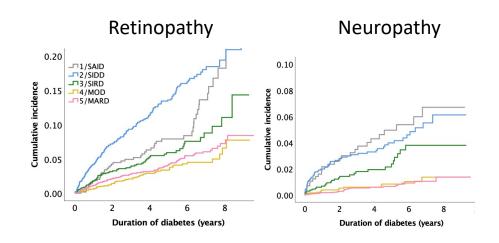


This clustering approach has been replicated in numerous cohorts



SIDD - Severe insulin-deficient diabetes

- 17.5% of patients
- Low insulin secretion
- High HbA1c at diagnosis
- Relatively early onset (mean 57 years)
- Receive the most treatment but still the last to reach treatment goals
- Increased risk of retinopathy and neuropathy



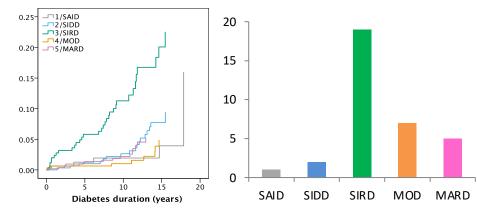




SIRD - Severe insulin-resistant diabetes

- 15.3% of patients
- Very insulin resistant
- Obese (mean BMI 34)
- Late onset (mean 65 years)
- Low HbA1c
- Higher risk of kidney complications
- Higher prevalence of non-alcoholic fatty liver disease

End-stage renal disease Hepatocellular lipid content





What is next?

Are the subtypes different diseases? When can they be implemented in the clinic?



- Clinical characterisation
- Replication in other ethnicities
- Genetics
- Epigenetics
- Response to medication
- Biomarkers

Replication in other ethnicities

- The same subtypes have been identified in cohorts from all over the world
- Most find the same five subtypes
- Some have identified additional subtypes e.g. in India
- Comparisons are complicated by use of slightly different methods and cluster variables

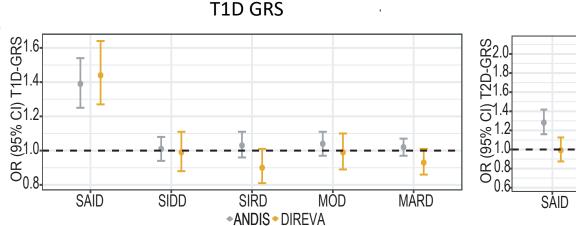
Genetic risk score (GRS) analysis



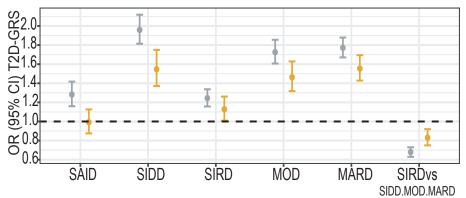


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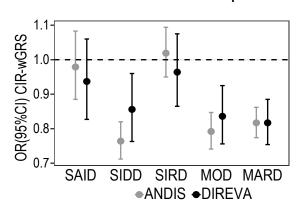


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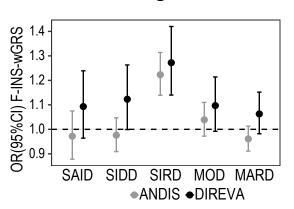


GRS for insulin secretion and fasting insulin

Corrected insulin response



Fasting insulin



SIRD is associated with fasting insulin but not insulin secretion

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Subtype specific genetic risk variants

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	OR	р	OR	Р	OR	Р
SAID	1.03	0.65	0.94	0.45	0.99	0.85
SIDD	1.08	0.18	1.10	0.95	1.05	0.28
SIRD	1.13	0.01	1.06	0.47	1.11	0.02
MOD	1.35	1.3x10 ⁻⁹	1.14	0.04	1.27	4.3x10 ⁻⁹
MARD	1.10	0.01	1.03	0.55	1.07	0.03

 Genetic variants in the LRMDA gene increase the risk of developing MOD but not other subtypes

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Response to treatment

- SIDD would likely benefit from early treatment with insulin or insulin secretagogues
- SIRD would likely benefit from insulin sensitizers
- Needs to be proven before clinical implementation
- Randomized trial SIDD and SIRD ongoing in ANDIS
- Analysis of existing trials in collaboration with AstraZeneca and Sanofi

Clinical implementation



- Information about subtype will soon be returned to the treating doctor for newly registered ANDIS participants
- Treatment cannot be recommended yet but SIDD and SIRD could benefit from screening for complications

Conclusions

- Diabetes patients can be reproducibly subdivided into five subtypes
- The insulin deficient and insulin resistant subtypes have the highest risk of complications
- Better science today better treatment in the near future!
- Learn more on the RHAPSODY outcomes webpages:

https://imi-rhapsody.eu/outcomes/





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