Prevalence of Musculoskeletal Pain in Haemodialysis Patients & Its Relation with Serum Biochemical Markers, Psychological Status & Work Abilities

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List of Abbreviations

ABD : Adynamic bone disease

ACPA : Anti-citrullinated protein antibodies

ACR/EULAR : American college of rheumatology/ european

league against rheumatism

BMD : Bone mineral density test

BMI : Body mass index

BP : Blood pressure

Ca : Calcium

Ca MB : Ca mass balance

Ca x P : Calcium phosphorus product

CaR : Calcium-sensing receptor

CCP : Cyclic citrullinated peptide

CKD : Chronic kidney disease

CKD-MBD : Chronic kidney disease mineral bone disease

CRF : Chronic renal failure

CRP : C-reactive protein

DCOR : The three-year dialysis clinical outcomes

revisited

DEXA : Dual-energy x-ray absorptiometry

DMARDs: Disease-modifying anti rheumatic drugs

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DOPPS: Dialysis outcomes and practice patterns study

ECT : Electroconvulsive therapy

ESP : Erythropoiesis stimulating therapy

ESR : Erythrocyte sedmentation rate

ESRD : End stage renal disease

ESRF : End stage renal failure

FDA : Food & drug administration

FGF-23 : Fibroblast growth factor

GFR : Glomerular filtration rate

GI : Gastro intestinal

HB : Hemoglobin

HD : Hemodialysis

HDF : Hemodiafiltration

IL : Interlukin

iPTh : Intact parathormone

kDa : Kilo dalton

KDOQI: Kidney foundation kidney disease outcomes

quality initiative

LDH : Long haemodialysis

LDL : Low density lipo protein

LVH : Left ventricular hypertrophy

MAOI : Monoamine oxidase inhibitors

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MTX : Methotrexate

NDHD : Nocturnal daily haemodialysis

NKF : National kidney foundation

NSAIDs : Non steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs

P04 : Phosporus

PRCA: Pure red cell aplasia

QoL : Quality of life

RA : Rheumatoid arthritis

RF : Rheumatoid factor

rHu-Epo : Recombinant human erythropoietin

SC : Subcutenous

SDHD : Short daily haemodialysis

SHD : Standard haemodialysis

SHPT : Secondary hyperparathyroidism

SSRI : Selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors

TIBC : Total iron binding capacity

TNF: Tumor necrosis factor

TSAT : Transferrin saturation

VDRAs : Various vitamin d receptor activators

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Introduction

Musculoskeletal pain is pain that affects the muscles, ligaments and tendons, along with the bones, it can be acute or chronic. Musculoskeletal pain can be localized in one area, or widespread (*Lorenzo and Canalis*, 2008).

The causes of musculoskeletal pain are variable. Muscle tissue can be damaged with the wear and tear of daily activities. It is due to either traumatic causes as trauma to an area e.g jerking movements, auto accidents, fractures, sprains, dislocations, postural strain, repetitive movements, overuse and prolonged immobilization.

Inflammatory causes as: myositis, fibromyalgia, polymyalgia rheumatica, rheumatoid arthritis, psoriatic arthritis and Reiter"s disease.

Neoplastic causes include: primary malignancy of bone (multiple myeloma, osteosarcoma, Ewing sarcoma) or metastatic malignancy of bone, other conditions include, Disruption of blood supply as in sickle cell anemiaosteoporosis Infection, leukemia and bone infection (osteomyelitis) (Coleman and Holen, 2008).

Aim of Work

The aim of this study is to detect the prevalence of musculoskeletal pain among haemodialysis patients & to find out its correlation with serum biochemical markers, the psychological status and work abilities.

Musculoskeletal pain

General organization of musculoskeletal system:

The musculoskeletal framework of the body is composed of at least 213 bones and the associated tendons, ligaments, muscel and cartilages. The skeletal system has variety of important functions, including the support of soft tissues, blood cell production, mineral and lipid storage, and through its relationships with the muscular system, the support and movement of the body as a whole. Skeletal system disorders can thus affect many other systems, skeletal system is in turn influenced by the activities of other systems. For example, weakness or paralysis of skeletal muscles will lead to a weakening of the associated bones.

The four general categories of bones are long bones, short bones, flat bones, and irregular bones (*Authors of Gray's Anatomy*, 2004).

The periosteum is a fibrous connective tissue sheath that surrounds the outer cortical surface of bone, except at joints where bone is lined by articular cartilage, which contains blood vessels, nerve fibers, and osteoblasts and osteoclasts. The periosteum is tightly attached to the outer cortical surface of bone by thick collagenous fibers, called Sharpeys' fibers, which extend into underlying bone tissue. The endosteum is a

membranous structure covering the inner surface of cortical bone, trabecular bone, and the blood vessel canals (Volkman's canals) present in bone. The endosteum is in contact with the bone marrow space, trabecular bone, and blood vessel canals and contains blood vessels, osteoblasts, and osteoclast (*Eriksen et al.*, 2008).

The adult human skeleton is composed of 80% cortical bone and 20% trabecular bone overall, Cortical bone and trabecular bone are normally formed in a lamellar pattern, in which collagen fibrils are laid down in alternating orientations. Lamellar bone is best seen during microscopic examination with polarized light, during which the lamellar pattern is evident as a result of birefringence. The mechanism by which osteoblasts lay down collagen fibrils in a lamellar pattern is not known, but lamellar bone has significant strength as a result of the alternating orientations of collagen fibrils, similar to plywood. The normal lamellar pattern is absent in woven bone, in which the collagen fibrils are laid down in a disorganized manner. Woven bone is weaker than lamellar bone. Woven bone is normally produced during formation of primary bone and may also be seen in high bone turnover state (Kobayashi et al., 2007).

The living skeleton is dynamic and undergoing continuous remodeling. The remodeling process involves bone deposition

by osteoblasts and bone resorption by osteoclasts, the net result of the remodeling varies depending on:

- **1.** The age of the individual: During development, bone deposition occurs faster than bone resorption, and the skeleton grows larger. At maturity, bone deposition and resorption are in balance; as the aging process continues, the rate of bone deposition declines and the bones become less dense. This gradual weakening, called *osteopenia*, begins at age 30–40 and may ultimately progress to *osteoporosis*.
- **2.** *The applied physical stresses:* Heavily stressed bones become thicker and stronger, and lightly stressed bones become thinner and weaker.

Skeletal weakness can therefore result from muscular disorders, such as *myasthenia gravis* or the *muscular dystrophies*, and conditions that affect CNS motor neurons, such as spinal cord injuries, demyelination disorders, or multiple sclerosis (*IBlair & Athanasou*, 2006).

3. *Circulating hormone levels:* Changing levels of growth hormone, androgens and estrogens, thyroid hormones, parathyroid hormone, and calcitonin increase or decrease the rate of mineral deposition in bone. As a result, many

disorders of the endocrine system will have an impact on the skeletal system. For example:

- Conditions affecting the skin, liver, or kidneys can interfere with calcitriol production.
- Thyroid or parathyroid disorders can alter thyroid hormone, parathyroid hormone, or calcitonin levels.
- Pituitary gland disorders or liver disorders can affect GH or somatomedin production.
- Reproductive system disorders can alter circulating levels of androgens or estrogens

4. Rates of calcium and phosphate absorption and excretion:

For bone mass to remain constant, the rate of calcium and phosphate excretion, primarily at the kidneys, must be balanced by the rate of calcium and phosphate absorption at the digestive tract. Problems that affect the calcium and phosphate absorption will have a direct effect on the skeletal system.

5. Genetic and environmental factors: Genetic or environmental factors may affect the structure of bone or the remodeling process (Amling et al., 2007).