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#### **ABSTRACT**

Objectives. To determine the Clinico-epidemiological characteristics of diabetic nephropathy; including prevalence, clinical features, metabolic risk factors and other associated comorbidties in the Diabetes Clinic, Children's Hospital, Ain Shams University.

Subjects and Methods . Study included 94 children and adolescents with type 1 diabetes mellitus . they were 42 (44.7% ) males and 52 (55.3%) females ,mean age 12.48  $\pm$  3.57 years, mean disease duration 6.4 $\pm$  2.9 years, and mean HbA1c 8.2  $\pm$  1.5 % .there is Measurement of random blood glucose, HbA1c, total cholesterol , triglyceride level and Baseline urinary albumin/creatinine ratio to detect diabetic nephropathy.

Results. Normoalbuminuria 70.21% ,microalbuminuria 29.79% and there is no macroalbuminuria or ESRD .mean age ,disease duration and body mass index significantly higher in microalbuminuric diabetic patients than normoalbuminuric, other risk factors for microalbuminuria HbA1c(p=0.005) Systolic blood pressure (p=0.001), Diastolic blood pressure (p=0.005), Total Cholesterol (p=0.017), Triglyceride(p=0.035).

Conclusion. Early detection of diabetic nephropathy , adopation of multifactorial interventions targeting the main risk factors (hyperglycemia ,hypertension , dyslipidemia) and the use of agents with renoprotective effect (ACE inhibitors) reduce the progression of renal disease .

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## **List of Abbreviation**

A/C ratio ...... Albumin/creatinine ratio ACE ...... Angiotensin converting enzyme ACEi ...... Angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor AER ...... Albumin excretion rate APCs ..... antigen presenting cells AGEs ..... Advanced glycation end products ARB......Angiotensin receptor blockers BMI.....Body mass index BP ......Blood pressure CBV ......Coxsackie B virus CSII ..... Continuous Subcutaneous Insulin Infusion DCCT......Diabetes control and complications trial DKA..... Diabetic ketoacidosis DN ...... Diabetic nephropathy EC ..... Endothelial cells ECM..... Extracellular matrix EDIC..... Epidemiology of diabetes intervension ESRD..... End stage renal disease EV ..... Enterovirus

FBG..... Fasting blood glucose

GAD.....Glutamic acid decarboxylase

GBM	. Glomerular basement membrane
GFR	. Glomerular filtration rate
GLA	. gamma linolenic acid
2h PPG	. 2houres post prandial blood glucose
HbA <sub>1</sub> c	. Glycosylated haemoglobin
HDL	. High density lipoprotein
IAA	. insulin auto antibodies
IA	. insulin antigen
ICA	islet cell antibodies
IDDM	. Insulin dependent diabetes mellitus
IGF	. Insulin like growth factor
IFG	. Impaired fasting glucose
IL	. interleukin
IVGTT	. IV Glucose Tolerance Test
MA	. Microalbuminuria
NAG	. N-acetyl B-glucosaminidase
NO	. Nitric oxide
OGTT	. Oral glucose tolerance test
RAAS	. Renin angiotensin aldosterone system
Th	. T helper
TGF-beta	. Transforming growth factor-beta
UAE	. Urinary albumin excretion



## Introduction

Micro- and macroalbuminuria are important markers for early and progressive diabetic kidney disease. Patients with type 1 diabetes face a 20-50% probability of developing endstage renal disease (ESRD) requiring dialysis or renal transplantation (Nordwall, 2004) but over the last decades, cumulative incidence of nephropathy has further declined, which was attributed to intensified treatment regimens and a more aggressive therapy of hypertension and dyslipidemia (Nordwall, 2004).

Since the 1980s, microalbuminuria has been established as an early marker of progressive kidney disease in diabetes (*Perkins,2005*), starting at pediatric age (*Gorman,1999*), and currently albumin excretion rate (AER) remains the best available noninvasive predictor for diabetic nephropathy and should be measured regularly according to established guidelines (*American Diabetes Association, 1994*). Since the Diabetes Control and Complications Trial (DCCT), glycemic control was established as the dominant risk factor

for the development of diabetic nephropathy (*Diabetes Control and Complications Trial,1994*). Moreover, the DCCT follow-up Epidemiology of Diabetes Interventions and Complications study has demonstrated a persistent delay of progression of diabetic nephropathy 7-8 years after the end