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ABSTRACT

Background: Impression cytology (IC) is a technique which permits the retrieval of the outermost layer of ocular surface cells via the use of various types of filters, it is a minimally invasive method of evaluating human conjunctival epithelial cell morphology which could be utilized in the diagnosis of ocular surface diseases, such as thyroid eye disease (TED).

Objective: Assessment of immunological changes that occurred on the ocular surface especially the conjunctiva in thyroid eye disease by impression cytology.

Patients and Methods: A cross sectional observational study designed to analyze data of 40 eyes arranged into 2 groups: (Group 1: thyroid eye disease, Group 2: control) 20 eyes in each group. The study was performed in the time interval between May 2019 and December 2019.

Results: Results of our study showed that TED group Hertel exophtalmometer measurement had an average of 22.6 ± 0.98 mm while control group showed an average of 17.50 ± 0.89 , (65 %) of TED group showed stage 2 in impression cytology technique while most of control group (80%) showed stage 0, we also used this technique to discover the presence of inflammation and degree of it and we found that 80% of this group showed moderate degree of inflammation while impression cytology results of the control group showed that 80% of them were almost nil degree of inflammation.

Conclusion: Impression cytology is a minimally invasive method of evaluating ocular surface cells, considered as the 'gold standard' technique for assessing cell morphology and we can use it for detection of immunological changes occurring in conjunctiva of patients with thyroid eye disease, also to demonstrate the immune state of these patients and its difference from normal persons, and this can help in diagnosis of early stage thyroid eye disease patients.

Keywords: Impression cytology, Thyroid eye disease, Ocular surface disease

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Tist of Abbreviations

Abbr. Full term

CAS: Clinical Activity Score

CT: Computed tomography

DED: Dry eye disease

EUGOGO: European group of grave's orbitopathy

GD: Graves' disease

MRI: Magnetic resonance imaging

OSD: Ocular surface disease

OSSN: Ocular surface squamous neoplasia

TBII: Thyroid-binding inhibitory immuno-globulins

TED: Thyroid eye disease

TO: Thyroid orbitopathy

TPO: Thyroid peroxidase antibody

TRAb: TSH-receptor antibodies

TSH: Thyroid stimulating hormone

TSHR: Thyroid stimulating hormone receptors

TSI: Thyroid-stimulating immuno-globulins

RT-PCR: reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction

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Introduction

Thyroid eye disease (TED) is a chronic autoimmune disorder usually associated with Graves' disease, although it may also be rarely present in patients with autoimmune and in patients who hypothyroidism euthyroid are Patients with TED often suffer from physical discomfort due to pain, grittiness, excessive watering and photophobia, Periorbital swelling, eyelid retraction, conjunctival redness, squint distressing proptosis and can cause facial disfigurement. Furthermore, diplopia caused by the involvement of extraocular muscles and rarely loss of sight due to corneal scarring or optic nerve compression may lead to disabling visual impairment. (1,2)

The physical discomfort, facial disfigurement and impaired visual function associated with TED could have a major impact on patients' employment, hobbies and psychosocial function (1,2)

One of the leading causes of ocular surface damage in thyroid eye disease (TED) is dry eye syndrome. According to previous studies the incidence of this condition in TED patients varies between 45 and 85%. (3)