OBESITY

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physiologic or pathologic

Pathologic causes of obesity

- Drugs: antiepileptics, corticosteroids, risperidone
- Cushing syndrome
- Neuroendocrine causes: hypothalamic tumor, hypothalamic dysfunction, autonomic dysregulation, neural crest tumor syndrome
- Syndromic causes :bardet-biedl s.,prader willi s.

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History:

- Age of onset of obesity
- Drugs (steroids, antiepileptic, risperidone)
- Family history of obesity, diabetes, hypertension, liver and gallbladder diseases
- Psychological history: depression, school and social issue
- Hirsutism, irregular menstruation

Height & hight velocity:

If height is < 50th percentile, endocrine or syndromic cause of obesity should be considered</p>

Physical exam:

- IQ
- Facial dysmorphism
- Vision: night blindness, photosensitivity, nystagmus
- Skeletal problems, syndactyly, polydactyly
- Heart problems
- Kidney problems
- Striae

Fat distribution:

- Overeating: excess fat in the trunk and peripheral
- Cushing s: excess fat in the interscapular area (buffalo hump), face, neck and trunk

Acanthosis nigricans: insulin resistance

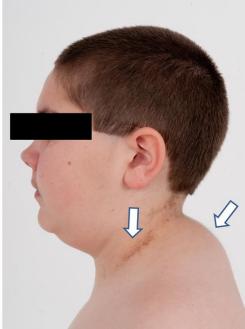
- Microcephaly
- Genitourinary: undescended testis, micropenis, delayed puberty, precocious puberty

Cushing syndrome









Bardet biedl Syndrome



Evaluation in obese patients



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- FBS, or HbA1C
- TG, Cholesterol (LDL, HDL)
- AST,ALT
- Vitamin D?
- Other evaluations if needed (T4, TSH, cushing syndrome)



Management of obesity

Life style changePharmacological treatment

Pharmacotherapy

- Fiber products
- Orlistat
- Metformin
- Liraglutide

Orlistat

- The only FDA-approved medication for obesity <16 yr
- Decreases absorption of fat
- Complications: flatulence, oily stool, spotting
- It offers little benefit for severe obesity

Metformin

Suggested for adolescents with obesity and prediabetes
(FBS: 100-125, random BS: 140-200, HbA1c: 5.7-6.5%)

Liraglutide

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- 125 cases on Liraglutide, 3mg, SQ, once daily for 56 wk, 126 on placebo,
- Age: 12-16 yr
- Significant reduction of BMI and weight with Liraglutide
- After discontinuation: Greater increase of BMI with Liraglutide

