Clinical profile of iron deficiency anemia in children from 6 months to 12 months of age

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Abstract: Background: Understanding the iron stores, would help us understand iron deficiency anemia better and help us combact with the associated comorbid conditions. Objectives: to assess severity of anemia, to find out iron deficiency anemia is associated with which factors, to correlate other associated co morbid conditions. Methodology: a prospective observational study which will be conducted in avbrhospital on 75 patients. sample will be collected from IPD admissions in department of pediatrics. Results: after appropriate analysis with expect to assess iron deficiency anemia and its severity in children, factors causing iron deficiency anemia and correlate it with other co morbid condition. Conclusion: in this study we expect to observe profoundness of iron deficiency anemia in children with age group 6 months to 12 months of age. we also expect to see a positive association between anemia and weaning supplementary diet, we expect to find correlation of the anemia with other co morbid condition and also expect study to highlight clinical profile of children with IDA in this region.

Keywords: Iron Deficiency, Serum Ferritin

I. Introduction

In the developing countries as well as developed countries millions of people are affected by iron deficiency anemia, it is usually seen in children who are young, women who are pregnant and women of child bearing age. One of the major health problem in India is iron deficiency anemia, it has major adverse effects on the development of the children ⁽¹⁾.

According to who preschool-aged children of India has highest prevalance of iron deficiency anemia. As majority of India is rural population anemia is more prevalent in India ⁽²⁾. The prevalence of anemia in India is increasing at a very rapid pace in children aged 6 to 36 months⁽³⁾. Iron Deficienct Anaemia (IDA) Is the most common type of anemia.

It is caused by the lack of dietary iron or insufficient uptake of iron⁽⁴⁾.

There are many conditions are associated with anemia, including

-Infectious diseases

- Nutritional deficiency

- Absorptional deficiency
- -Genetic mutations like transferrin (TF) (TFR1 and TFR2), matriptase (TMPRSS6).⁽⁵⁾

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II. BACKGROUND-

IDA is more prevalent in children of age group 6 months to 12 months. serum ferritin help to diagnose iron deficiency anemia. which help us to manage it accordingly.

Objectives:

To assess severity of anemia

To find out factors associated with iron deficiency anemia

To correlate other associated co morbid conditions

Method:

Study Design : Observational Prospective Study

Setting: The Study Will Be Conducted At Department Of Paediatrics , Jnmc, And Avbrh , Sawangi (M), Data Will Be Collected In Between 2019 To 2021.

PARTICIPANTS

Inclusion criteria

Patients Admitted From 6 Months To 12 Months Diagnosed With Iron Deficiency Anemia And Hb Less Than

11 gm/dl Will Be Included In Study.

Lower limits for haemoglobin and hematocrit values specified by World Health organisation by age and gender		
Groups by age and gender	Haemoglobin (gm/dl)	Hematocrit %
Children aged between 6 to 59	11	33
months		

Exclusion criteria

1) patient who are already on iron supplementation

These children will be enrolled and there detailed history, examination, investigations and clinical profile will be entered into proforma.

Iron deficiency anemia will be diagnosed by treating paediatrician before inclusion. The diagnosis will be based on history, signs like pallor and investigations. The investigation include namely haemoglobin, mcv, mchc, mch, rdw, peripheral smear, serum iron level, tibc, serum ferritin.

Variables:

Hemoglobin levels less than 11.

Mcv less than 80.

Hematocrit less than 33.

Serum ferritin levels below 7 ng/dl.

Data sources/ measurement :

Serum hb levels

Mcv levels

Hematocrit levels

Serum ferritin levels

All the test will be done at Central Clinical Laboratory, Acharya Vinoba Bhave Rural Hospital, Wardha.

Study size: 75

Statistical methods:

All the data will be entered in excel sheet.

The qualitative data will be ananlysed using chi square test or Fischer's exact test.

The quantitative analysis will be done using student -t test. The p value significance level less than 0.05 will be considered significant.

III. Expected outcomes/results:

Participants- all children admitted in dept. Of paediatric in AVBRH of age group 6 months to 12 months of age and has Hb less than 11 gm/dl except the patient who are already on iron supplements.

Outcome data: serum ferritin help us to diagnose and monitor iron deficiency anaemia in children from 6 months to 12 months of age group before it leads to further co morbid conditions.

Main results: quantitative and qualitative analysis is done and values of results are compared with standard.

Discussion:

A number of articles on related aspects of this study were reviewed ^{(5-63).} This study will give profoundness of iron deficiency anaemia in children with age group 6 months to 12 months of age, a positive association between anaemia and weaning supplementary diet, find correlation of the anaemia with other co morbid condition and highlights clinical profile of children with iron deficiency anaemia in this region.

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