

Evaluation of efficiency and safety for delivery of rapid acting insulin between

*Comfort-in*TM and conventional pen needle.

Aim

This clinical study has the aim for showing the same difference in the pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic profile between *Comfort-in*TM and conventional pen needle when the rapid-acting insulin analogue apart (Humalog®) injected prior to a standardized meal in patients with diabetes.

Clinical profile

Patient		Glucose monitoring	
Gender	Male	Last A1C	8.5%
Age	54	Fasting	225 mg/dL
Weight	95kgs	Lipid profile	
Height	178cm	Total	194mg/dL
BMI	31	LDL	120mg/dL
Liver function		HDL	31mg/dL
ALT	26	Triglycerides	210
AST	37	Eye exam	
Blood pressure		Background diabetic retinopathy	
high	155/90 mmHg	Others	
Cardiovascular condition		High cholesterol. (High LDL and Low HDL) so required for control of blood vessel	
Normal		Hypertension 1hr Exercise everyday and eating by diet program for 1 year	

- Patient's average blood glucose level was 155 mg/dl, with a widely variable range of 103-277 mg/dl (Table I)
- This patient was using Novorapid® insulin (rapid onset-fast acting) and Lantus (long-acting) but she has needle phobia stress so difficulties for insulin treatment.
- Other physical status is in normal range.

(Table I). Patient's glucose monitoring (mg/dl)

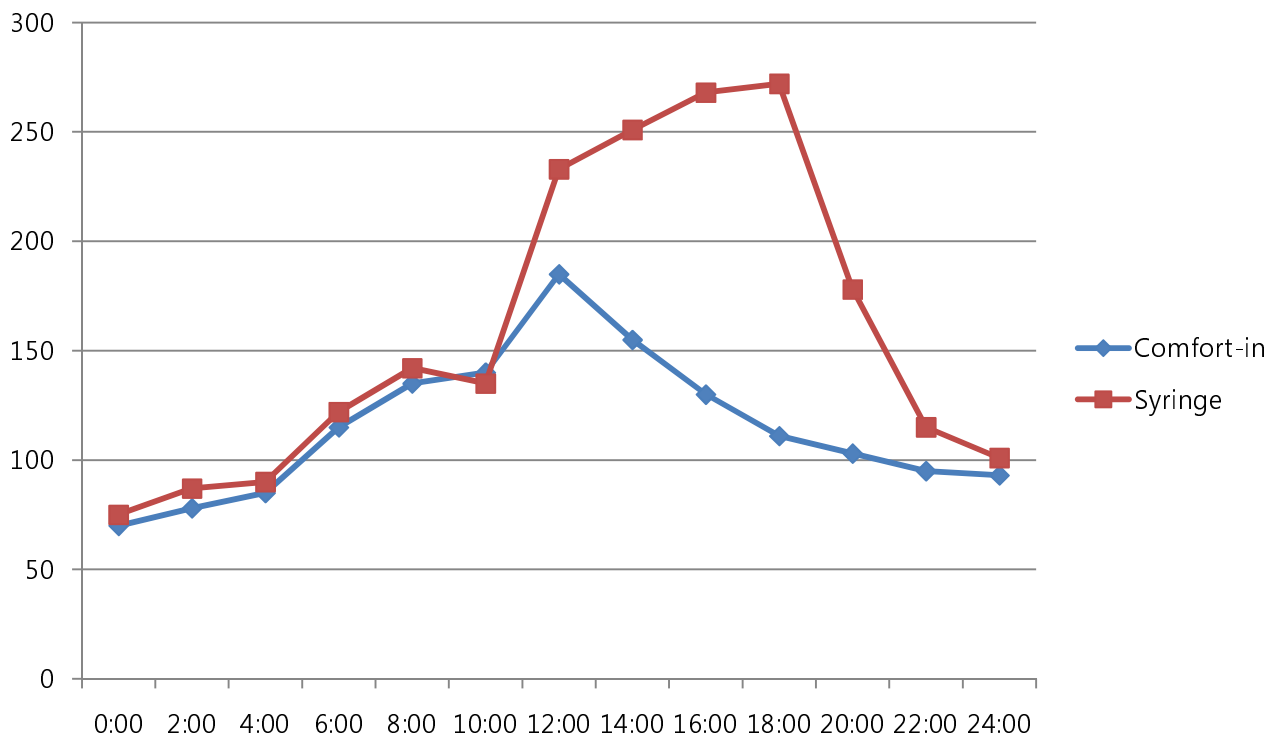
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18 SEP 2012	155	183	225	268	175	111	186
19 SEP 2012	149	179	248	273	173	103	187
20 SEP 2012	151	186	251	277	185	109	193

Method

- Mini CGMS (Continuous Glucose Subcutaneous Monitoring) for 48 hours.
- 4 times by regular insulin per day and long-acting insulin at bedtime.
- Insulin device for comparison
 - ① One day: Insulin pen, Humalog® 100U for breakfast, lunch & dinner time and Lantus Solostar(long-acting) at bedtime
 - ② Second day: *Comfort-in*TM for 2nd day study
- Injecting time:
 - 1) Insulin pen: 30 min. before eating
 - 2) *Comfort-in*TM: Immediately injecting before eating

Figure 1

Glucose monitoring in every 2 hours for 48 hours to see the comparison between conventional insulin pen and *Comfort-in*TM



Comments

- I. Demonstration according to mini CSGM for 48 hours by *Comfort-in*TM
 - ♦ This patient has hypertension and high cholesterol so we had to consider for side-effect by jet injection system.
 - ♦ The result itself is quite better than what we expected but the clinical test's period is too short to prove the new device (needle free injection system)
 - ♦ Therefore, the study by A1C in minimum 2 months' evaluation should be required.

Result

- According to the 48 hours glucose monitoring, we found that the glucose control is similar to insulin pen without sudden change of glucose blood level.
- Moreover, faster absorption of insulin into the body (abdominal part) is confirmed
- Especially, the lower level of blood glucose after meals stands out from the result.

Conclusion

- *Comfort-in*TM is fully accepted by type II diabetic patients from this study.
- *Comfort-in*TM was proved well in this test to reduce hyperglycemic peaks more after meals than the result of insulin pen without increase or sudden decrease in hyperglycemic episodes.

Clinical inspiration

- The part of study is made from MiniMed Continuous glucose monitoring system (CGMS) :
- "Evaluation of efficiency and safety for delivery of rapid acting insulin between *Comfort-in*TM and conventional pen needle." Conducted by S.H. Lee, M.D.,
- Humalog ® is registered trademark.
- Lantus solostar is registered trademark of Sanofi Aventis Co.Ltd.
- Above two insulin are using popularly in Korea and can make immediate comparison result for this study.

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