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Evaluation of changes in Blood pressure and Pulse rate of hypertensive patient during early morning and evening dental appointments

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ABSTRACT:

Background: Hypertension is a chronic illness which affects more than a billion people worldwide. It is issue of concern therefore it must be considered when treating dental patients. The purpose of our study was to evaluate changes in Blood pressure and Pulse rate of hypertensive patient during early morning and evening dental appointments. **Materials and methods:** This study was conducted among 45 patients of age 40-50 years, requiring a variety of dental procedures. Participants comprised of normal, pre-hypertensive and hypertensive patients visiting the dental clinic. Participants who were taking β -blockers or diagnosed with any cardiovascular disorder except for hypertension were excluded from the study. Blood pressure and pulse rate were recorded as risk indicators which were measured during early morning and evening dental treatment. Blood pressure was measured with a conventional calibrated sphygmometer and pulse rate was determined by manual palpation of the radial artery. Statistical analysis was done by using SPSS, version 15 (SPSS, Inc., Chicago, IL) and $p < 0.05$ was considered statistically significant. **Results:** This study was conducted among 46 patients of age 40-50 years, requiring a variety of dental procedures. Out of these 46 patients, 27 were male and 18 were females. In our study, 15 patients with pre-hypertension i.e. blood pressure of 130/90, 15 patients each with stage 1 and stage 2 hypertension with blood pressures ranging from 140-160/90-100 and 160-180/100-110 respectively. The result of this study shows that mean systolic and diastolic blood pressure (SBP) was more in all the groups during morning appointments. Mean pulse rate (PR) was also more during early morning appointments. **Conclusion:** A dental practitioner must have knowledge of the disease and possess the ability to educate and provide access to care for patients. Our study concluded that mean systolic and diastolic blood pressure (SBP) was more in all the groups during morning appointments. Mean pulse rate (PR) was also more during early morning appointments.

Key words: Hypertension, sphygmometer, pulse rate, radial artery.

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INTRODUCTION:

Hypertension is known as the “silent killer” and affects 80 million adults older than 20 years in the US alone.¹ Hypertension is defined as values >140 mmHg SBP and/or >90 mmHg DBP.² Hypertension is divided into two main categories: essential/primary hypertension and secondary hypertension.^{3,4} Heart Rate is measured by pulse palpation. Heart rate (HR) reflects the number of contractions of the ventricles per unit time and fluctuates substantially with variations in systemic demand for oxygen. Resting heart rate (RHR) monitoring is a simple and noninvasive clinical method related to health prognoses.⁵ Dental treatment protocols for hypertensive patients are not much affected if their hypertension is controlled but modifications are advised when patients

present with uncontrolled hypertension.³ The purpose of our study was to evaluate changes in Blood pressure and Pulse rate of hypertensive patient during early morning and evening dental appointments.

MATERIAL AND METHODS:

This study was conducted among 45 patients of age 40-50 years, requiring a variety of dental procedures. The ethical approval for this study was taken from the ethical committee. Informed consent was obtained from all the participants. Participants comprised of normal, pre-hypertensive and hypertensive patients visiting the dental clinic. Participants who were taking β -blockers or diagnosed with any cardiovascular disorder except for hypertension were excluded from the study. Blood

pressure and pulse rate were recorded as risk indicators which were measured during early morning and evening dental treatment. Blood pressure was measured with a conventional calibrated sphygmamometer and pulse rate was determined by manual palpation of the radial artery. Statistical analysis was done by using SPSS, version 15 (SPSS, Inc., Chicago, IL) and $p < 0.05$ was considered statistically significant.

RESULTS:

This study was conducted among 46 patients of age 40-50 years, requiring a variety of dental procedures. Out of these 46 patients, 27 were male and 18 were females. 15 patients were with pre-hypertension i.e. blood pressure of 130/90, 15 patients each with stage 1 and stage 2 Hypertension with blood pressures ranging from 140-160/90-100 and 160-180/100-110 respectively included in the study. Table 2 shows mean blood pressure during early morning and evening dental treatment. The result of this study shows that mean systolic and diastolic blood pressure (SBP) was more in all the groups during morning appointments. Mean pulse rate (PR) was also more during early morning appointments.

Table 1: Distribution of gender

Gender	N(%)	p-value
Male	27(60%)	<0.05
Female	18(40%)	
Total	45(100%)	

Table 2: Mean blood pressure during early morning and evening dental treatment

Stages	Early morning appointment	Evening appointment
Pre-hypertensive patients(n=15)		
Systolic BP	132±1.20	126±6.28
Diastolic BP	86±2.28	82±8.24
Pulse rate	84.12±9.28	80±10.12
Hypertension Stage I(n=15)		
Systolic BP	142±2.22	140±1.18
Diastolic BP	86.12±3.72	82±5.12
Pulse rate	94±10.15	92±10
Hypertension Stage II(n=15)		
Systolic BP	166.22±7.18	160±5.14
Diastolic BP	102.6±9.52	100±5.76
Pulse rate	90.4±9.24	84±10.68

DISCUSSION:

Patients with hypertension are considered high risk group when administering dental local anaesthesia containing a vasoconstrictor because of the potential to undergo epinephrine induced sudden dramatic increase in blood pressure leading to life-threatening hypertensive crisis.⁷ According to international guidelines the use of local anaesthesia containing epinephrine is safe in patients with controlled or stage 1 hypertension.⁸ Our study was conducted among 46 patients of age 40-50 years, requiring a variety of dental procedures. Out of these 46

patients, 27 were male and 18 were females. In our study, 15 patients with pre-hypertension i.e. blood pressure of 130/90, 15 patients each with stage 1 and stage 2 Hypertension with blood pressures ranging from 140-160/90-100 and 160-180/100-110 respectively. Table 2 shows mean blood pressure during early morning and evening dental treatment. The result of this study shows that mean systolic and diastolic blood pressure (SBP) was more in all the groups during morning appointments. Mean pulse rate (PR) was also more during early morning appointments.

Gungormus M et al determined that there were no significant changes in the blood pressures and the pulse rate of hypertensive patients during surgical procedure, and one cartridge local anesthetic with articain HCl containing 0.012 mg epinephrine may be used safely in hypertensive patients with blood pressure equal or smaller than 154/100 mm Hg.⁷

Chaudhry S et al conducted a study and results of their study shows that a decrease in systolic in stage 2 hypertension patients after 2 and 5 minutes of injections containing 2% Lignocaine with 1:100,000 epinephrine was noted. The diastolic BP (DBP) fell in all the groups after injections. Mean pulse rate increased from three to four beats per minute in all groups except in stage 2 hypertension patients where it slightly decreased.⁹

CONCLUSION:

A dental practitioner must have knowledge of the disease and possess the ability to educate and provide access to care for patients. Our study concluded that mean systolic and diastolic blood pressure (SBP) was more in all the groups during morning appointments. Mean pulse rate (PR) was also more during early morning appointments.

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