



# Worse Metabolic Control and Dynamics of Weight Status in Adolescent Girls Point to Eating Disorders in the First Years after Manifestation of Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus: Findings from the Diabetes Patienten Verlaufsdokumentation Registry

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**Objective** To assess indications of eating disorders in girls with type 1 diabetes mellitus (T1DM).

**Study design** In total 31 556 girls aged >6 months and <23 years of age with T1DM from the Diabetes Patienten Verlaufsdokumentation (DPV) cohort were analyzed including 155 (0.49%) girls with anorexia nervosa, 85 (0.27%) girls with bulimia nervosa, 45 (0.14%) girls with binge eating disorder, and 229 (0.73%) girls with eating disorders not otherwise specified. Patient characteristics, weight changes, numbers of patients with severe hypoglycemia and diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA), changes of glycosylated hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) levels, use of pumps, and prevalence of celiac disease and autoimmune thyroiditis were compared between girls with and without eating disorders. Multiple logistic regression analyses were performed.

**Results** Eating disorders were significantly associated with late pubertal age, nonusage of pumps, no migration background, increased HbA1c levels, increased frequencies of DKA and severe hypoglycemia, and celiac disease were not related to eating disorders. Significant differences in HbA1c levels, prevalence of DKA and severe hypoglycemia between girls with and without eating disorders were already detectable in the first years after onset of T1DM. A decrease of body mass index (BMI)-SDS increased the risk for comorbid anorexia nervosa (7.1-fold [95% CI 3.6-14.3] compared with stable BMI-SDS, 6.9-fold [95%CI 3.4-14.1] compared with increase of BMI-SDS).

**Conclusions** Poor metabolic control and increased rates of DKA and severe hypoglycemia in the first years after manifestation of T1DM can be hints for eating disorders in girls with T1DM, and weight loss is specific for anorexia nervosa. These clinical features should lead to screening for eating disorders especially at a late pubertal age. (*J Pediatr* 2019;207:205-12).

Previous studies reported that diabetes mellitus type 1 (T1DM) seems to be associated with eating disorders or subthreshold variants in adolescents and adults.<sup>1-3</sup> One study revealed an almost 2-fold (95% CI 1.5-3.7) higher prevalence in females with T1DM compared with nondiabetic subjects,<sup>4</sup> and other studies reported eating disorders in 7%-33% of girls with T1DM.<sup>5-7</sup> In the Diabetes Patienten Verlaufsdokumentation (DPV) dataset, a large prospective observation study on children and adolescents with T1DM, eating disorders are documented in nearly 1% of the patients with T1DM with higher rates in girls.<sup>2</sup> This female predominance has also been reported in other studies.<sup>1,8</sup>

The combination of T1DM and untreated eating disorder contributes to a worse outcome in adults.<sup>9</sup> Eating disorders contribute to an increased risk of several complications of diabetes<sup>7</sup> such as abnormal lipid profiles,<sup>10</sup> diabetic ketoacidosis,<sup>9</sup> retinopathy,<sup>2</sup> neuropathy,<sup>11</sup> nephropathy,<sup>12</sup> and increased mortality.<sup>13</sup>

Although we and others have previously demonstrated that eating disorders are associated with worse metabolic control,<sup>2,4,14-16</sup> the time point of this metabolic deterioration during diabetes disease is unclear. Moreover, it is possible that clinical characteristics such as weight change could be hints for eating disorders in

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BMI	Body mass index
DSM-IV	Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition
EDNOS	Eating disorders not otherwise specified
HbA1c	Glycosylated hemoglobin A1c
T1DM	Type 1 diabetes mellitus

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children and adolescents because eating disorders in adults with T1DM are associated with weight loss in anorexia nervosa and weight gain in bulimia or binge eating disorder.<sup>9,13,17</sup>

Because studies identifying eating disorder-related factors in children with T1DM are rare, we analyzed the large pediatric DPV dataset of more than 60 000 patients with T1DM and longitudinal follow-up to identify covariates associated with the presence of eating disorders. We focused on girls because the prevalence of eating disorders in male adolescents with T1DM is low,<sup>1,8</sup> and the genesis and appearance of eating disorders might diverge between boys and girls. We hypothesized that girls with T1DM at pubertal age and without migration background, with celiac disease, and not using pumps (which allow the greatest flexibility in eating) had a higher risk for eating disorders. Furthermore, we analyzed whether baseline metabolic status, weight and height status, as well as the change of glycosylated hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c), body mass index (BMI) dynamics, frequency of severe hypoglycemia, or diabetic ketoacidosis are associated with specific eating disorders.

## Methods

The basis for the present research was the German/Austrian/Luxembourgian and Swiss standardized, multicenter, prospective, computer-based diabetes data acquisition system DPV ([www.d-p-v.eu](http://www.d-p-v.eu)). Within the DPV initiative, 462 specialized diabetes care centers currently use the DPV software for standardized documentation of diabetes diagnosis and patient care (list of participating centers in DPV is available in the [Appendix](#) [available at [www.jpeds.com](http://www.jpeds.com)]). Patient demographics, type and onset of diabetes, metabolic control, treatment regimen, and comorbidities are entered into the electronic health record. Twice a year, participating centers transmit their locally documented data anonymously to Ulm, Germany, for central analyses and quality assurance.<sup>18</sup> In case of inconsistent data, participating centers are requested to correct data entries. All plausible data are aggregated into a cumulative database. The ethics committee of the University of Ulm approved the DPV initiative and the local review boards approved the anonymized data collection.

Until September 2017, demographic and clinical data of 480 244 patients with any type of diabetes were available in the database. For the present analysis, female patients with T1DM and age at diabetes onset between >6 months and <23 years, documented insulin dosage, body weight and height follow-up data of at least 1 year after diabetes manifestation, as well as no documented eating disorder in the first 4 weeks after manifestation of diabetes were included. The final study population was 31 556 pediatric and young-adult female patients with T1DM from 384 German, 2 Swiss, 1 Luxembourgian, and 37 Austrian centers.

To identify patients with eating disorders, the database was searched for the lifetime diagnosis of eating disorder. A total of 514 female patients were identified with comorbid eating disorder and were subdivided into 4 groups: (1) anorexia nervosa, (2) bulimia nervosa, (3) binge eating disorder, and (4) eating disorders not otherwise specified (EDNOS).

Identification and classification of eating disorders was made using *International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision/Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition* (DSM-IV) codes<sup>2,19</sup> and the respective German terms entered by diabetologists at each site. Patients had either already received an eating disorder diagnosis based on *International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision/DSM-IV* criteria by trained psychologists, or diabetologists made the diagnosis jointly with psychologists or child psychiatrists. For each patient included, the entire years of treatment were analyzed. In case of multiple data sets per patient, data were aggregated.

Migration background was defined if either the patient or at least 1 parent was born outside Germany/Austria/Switzerland/Luxembourg. BMI and height SDS (BMI-SDS respective height-SDS) were calculated using national reference data from the German Health Interview and Examination Survey for Children and Adolescents as described elsewhere.<sup>20,21</sup>

To adjust for differences among different laboratory methods, the multiple of the mean method was applied to mathematically standardize HbA1c measurements to the Diabetes Control and Complications Trial reference range (4.05%-6.05%; 20.7-42.6 mmol/mol).<sup>22</sup> Severe hypoglycemia was defined as an event requiring assistance of another person to actively administer carbohydrates, glucagon, or other resuscitative actions or as a hypoglycemia with coma.<sup>6,23</sup> Diabetic ketoacidosis was diagnosed in patients with a blood pH value of <7.3 or a clinical diagnosis of diabetic ketoacidosis associated with inpatient care. Diagnosis of celiac disease was based on biopsy, and diagnosis of autoimmune thyroiditis was based on positive measurement of autoantibodies or a clinical diagnosis of autoimmune thyroiditis.

We used body surface in m<sup>2</sup> instead of body weight to interpret the daily insulin dosage because in underweight girls it is a better reference for daily insulin dosage than kilogram body weight.<sup>2</sup>

Data analysis was implemented using SAS v 9.4 (SAS Institute, Cary, North Carolina). Median with IQR (25th/75th percentile) was used as descriptive statistics for continuous variables and proportions for categorical variables. False discovery rate algorithm was applied to adjust for multiple comparisons. Age was categorized as <8 years, 8-12 years, and >12 years to account indirectly for pubertal stage. To adjust for potential confounding effects (age at onset of T1DM, diabetes duration at last observation, and migration background), multivariable logistic regression models were calculated for any eating disorder and for each type of eating disorder separately, including the categorical variables BMI-SDS at manifestation, BMI-SDS change, BMI-SDS last observation, HbA1c at manifestation, HbA1c last observation, DKA last observation, severe hypoglycemia last observation, pump use last observation, autoimmune thyroiditis, and celiac disease as independent factors, respectively. Because the number of girls with binge eating disorder was relatively low, they were not included in these analyses. Results are given as OR with 95% CI.

BMI-SDS, HbA1c, rate of DKA, and severe hypoglycemia were also analyzed longitudinally with a maximum follow-up of 10 years after diabetes onset. Values are adjusted for age

at diabetes onset and migration background. Two sided *P* values of  $<.05$  were considered statistically significant.

## Results

In this analysis, 31 556 girls with T1DM were included. Eating disorders were documented in 514 (1.62%) subjects, 155 (0.49%) anorexia nervosa, 85 (0.27%) bulimia nervosa, 45 (0.14%), binge eating disorder, and 229 (0.73%) eating disorders not otherwise specified [EDNOS] (Table I; available at [www.jpeds.com](http://www.jpeds.com)).

At onset of diabetes, girls with eating disorder did not differ significantly regarding to height-SDS, BMI-SDS, HbA1c, or prevalence of manifestation with diabetic ketoacidosis compared with girls without eating disorder (Table I). Girls with eating disorders were significantly older at manifestation of diabetes and had a significantly lower prevalence of migration background compared with girls without eating disorders (Table I).

In logistic regression analyses (Table II), higher age at diabetes manifestation ( $\geq 12$  years and 8 to  $<12$  years vs  $<8$  years) was significantly related to eating disorder. Girls without

migration background had an increased risk for eating disorder (especially girls with bulimia nervosa with 2.8-fold increased risk) compared with girls with migration background (Table II). By contrast, neither HbA1c nor BMI-SDS at manifestation was significantly associated with any eating disorder (Table II).

In the course of T1DM, girls with or without eating disorders did not differ significantly in prevalence of celiac disease (Table I and Table II). Autoimmune thyroiditis occurred significantly more often in girls with EDNOS (Table II), and other eating disorders were not associated with autoimmune thyroiditis.

The proportion of patients with events of diabetic ketoacidosis or severe hypoglycemia within the first 10 years after diabetes manifestation is demonstrated in Figure 1. Already 2 years after manifestation of diabetes, the proportion of patients with diabetic ketoacidosis was higher in girls with eating disorders compared with girls without eating disorders even after adjustment for age at manifestation and migration background. Moreover, already within the first year after manifestation of diabetes, severe hypoglycemia occurred more frequently in girls with eating disorders compared with girls without eating disorder.

**Table II.** ORs (95% CI) for the association with eating disorders

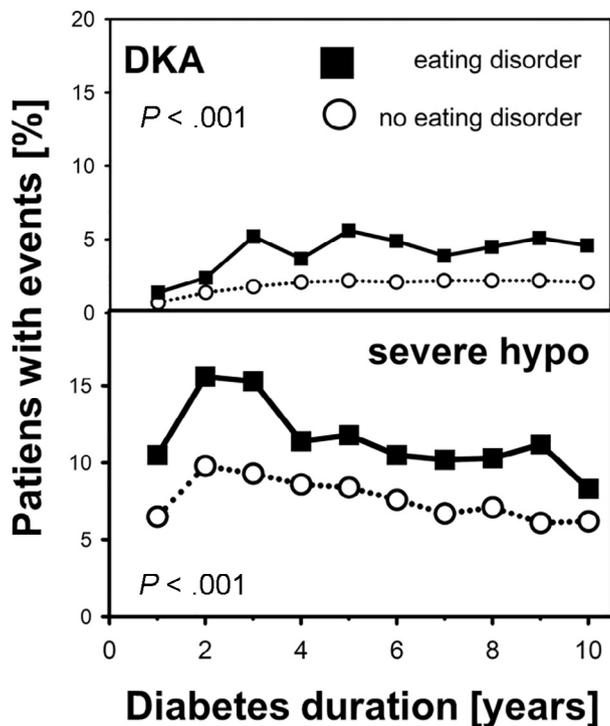
Type of eating disorder	Any eating disorder	Anorexia nervosa	Eating disorder other than anorexia nervosa	Bulimia nervosa	EDNOS
Variables	OR [95% CI]	OR [95% CI]	OR [95% CI]	OR [95% CI]	OR [95% CI]
Age at onset of T1DM					
<8 y vs $\geq 12$ y	<b>0.64 [0.51-0.79]*</b>	<b>0.64 [0.43-0.96]*</b>	<b>0.63 [0.49-0.82]*</b>	<b>0.42 [0.24-0.71]*</b>	<b>0.72 [0.52-0.99]*</b>
8 to $<12$ y vs $<8$ y	<b>1.46 [1.18-1.79]*</b>	1.44 [0.99-2.10]	<b>1.46 [1.14-1.87]*</b>	<b>1.74 [1.02-2.98]*</b>	1.28 [0.94-1.74]
8 to $<12$ y vs $\geq 12$ y	0.93 [0.75-1.15]	0.93 [0.63-1.38]	0.93 [0.71-1.12]	0.72 [0.44-1.20]	0.92 [0.66-1.28]
Native vs non-native	<b>1.64 [1.22-2.20]*</b>	1.50 [0.89-2.52]	<b>1.71 [1.19-2.44]*</b>	<b>2.76 [1.12-6.82]*</b>	1.41 [0.93-2.14]
Diabetes duration at last observation					
$\geq 5$ y vs $<5$ y	<b>1.89 [1.53-2.35]*</b>	<b>1.65 [1.13-2.39]*</b>	<b>2.02 [1.56-2.62]*</b>	<b>3.35 [1.78-6.31]*</b>	<b>1.83 [1.33-2.51]*</b>
BMI-SDS at manifestation <sup>†</sup>					
<25th vs $\geq 90$ th perc.	0.85 [0.43-1.67]	3.50 [0.47-26.06]	0.55 [0.26-1.17]	0.58 [0.07-5.27]	0.52 [0.22-1.22]
25th- $<90$ th vs $<25$ th perc.	1.29 [0.92-1.80]	0.86 [0.48-1.52]	1.58 [0.99-2.41]	2.43 [0.79-7.46]	1.62 [0.99-2.66]
25th- $<90$ th vs $\geq 90$ th perc.	1.09 [0.56-2.10]	3.00 [0.41-22.17]	0.88 [0.43-1.77]	1.42 [0.18-10.90]	0.84 [0.38-1.87]
BMI-SDS change <sup>†</sup>					
$<0$ vs $\geq 1$ SDS	<b>2.86 [1.91-4.28]*</b>	<b>6.90 [3.37-14.10]*</b>	1.69 [0.99-2.88]	2.17 [0.68-6.97]	1.79 [0.96-3.35]
0- $<1$ vs $<0$ SDS	<b>0.40 [0.27-0.59]*</b>	<b>0.14 [0.07-0.28]*</b>	1.22 [0.79-1.87]	0.35 [0.10-1.24]	0.77 [0.43-1.39]
0- $<1$ vs $\geq 1$ SDS	1.14 [0.78-1.68]	0.93 [0.40-2.16]	0.72 [0.43-1.20]	0.77 [0.24-2.43]	1.38 [0.83-2.27]
BMI-SDS last observation <sup>†</sup>					
<25th vs $\geq 90$ th perc.	<b>3.01 [2.29-3.96]*</b>	<b>14.71 [7.76-27.88]*</b>	<b>1.46 [1.03-2.07]*</b>	1.90 [0.92-3.94]	<b>1.54 [1.01-2.37]*</b>
25th- $<90$ th vs $<25$ th perc.	<b>0.28 [0.22-0.34]*</b>	<b>0.12 [0.09-0.17]*</b>	<b>0.49 [0.36-0.66]*</b>	<b>0.49 [0.27-0.91]*</b>	<b>0.46 [0.32-0.66]*</b>
25th- $<90$ th vs $\geq 90$ th perc.	0.83 [0.66-1.06]	1.76 [0.93-3.33]	<b>0.71 [0.54-0.92]*</b>	0.94 [0.54-1.63]	<b>0.70 [0.51-0.97]*</b>
HbA1c at manifestation <sup>†</sup>					
$\geq 9\%$ vs $<9\%$	1.13 [0.74-1.74]	0.96 [0.47-1.98]	1.23 [0.72-2.09]	0.97 [0.28-3.41]	1.45 [0.75-2.82]
HbA1c last observation					
$\geq 7.5\%$ vs $<7.5\%$ <sup>†</sup>	<b>1.63 [1.34-2.00]*</b>	1.16 [0.83-1.63]*	<b>1.93 [1.50-2.48]*</b>	<b>1.73 [1.05-2.86]*</b>	<b>1.94 [1.42-2.65]*</b>
DKA last observation					
Yes vs no <sup>†</sup>	<b>2.62 [1.78-3.87]*</b>	<b>3.43 [1.85-6.38]*</b>	<b>2.27 [1.38-3.72]*</b>	1.19 [0.30-4.88]	<b>2.47 [1.37-4.45]*</b>
Severe hypoglycemia last observation					
Yes vs no <sup>†</sup>	<b>1.45 [1.10-1.91]*</b>	<b>1.69 [1.05-2.70]*</b>	1.35 [0.96-1.89]	1.00 [0.46-2.17]	<b>1.59 [1.07-2.36]*</b>
No pump vs pump last observation <sup>†</sup>	<b>1.38 [1.14-1.67]*</b>	<b>1.95 [1.36-2.81]*</b>	1.20 [0.95-1.50]	1.13 [0.71-1.81]	1.22 [0.93-1.62]
Autoimmune thyroiditis					
Yes vs no <sup>†</sup>	<b>1.27 [1.04-1.56]*</b>	1.23 [0.84-1.79]	<b>1.29 [1.01-1.65]*</b>	1.10 [0.65-1.86]	<b>1.37 [1.01-1.84]*</b>
Celiac disease					
Yes vs no <sup>†</sup>	0.76 [0.40-1.43]	1.01 [0.37-2.75]	1.54 [0.68-3.47]	n.a.	0.66 [0.24-1.78]

n.a., not available because of the low number of patients

Values in bold indicate significant association.

\**P*  $<.05$ .

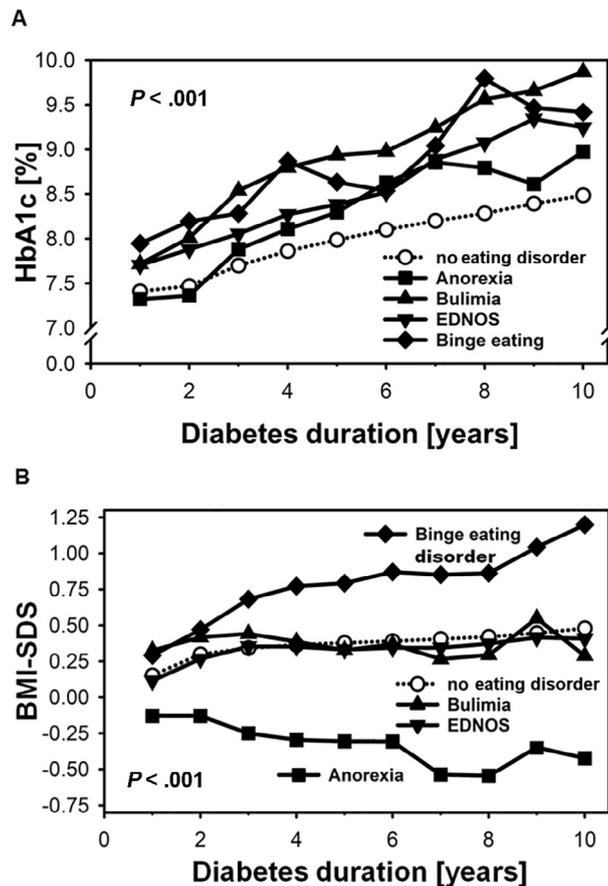
<sup>†</sup>Adjusted for age at onset, diabetes duration at last observation and migration background by multivariable regression; because of the low number of patients with binge eating disorder, they were not included in this analysis.



**Figure 1.** Proportion of patients with DKA or severe hypoglycemia over time in girls with and without eating disorder. Adjusted means from logistic regression models with adjustments for age at onset and migration background.  $P$  value is given for trend. Because of the low number of patients with events, analysis could not be stratified by type of eating disorder.

The changes of HbA1c in the course of diabetes are demonstrated in **Figure 2**. Regardless of the type of eating disorder, HbA1c was significantly higher in girls with eating disorders compared with girls without eating disorders three years after onset of diabetes even after adjustment for age at manifestation and migration background. In the first and second year after diabetes manifestation, except for anorexia nervosa, all other eating disorders demonstrated also higher HbA1c levels.

Although the change of BMI-SDS in the first 3-6 months after diabetes manifestation did not differ significantly between groups, BMI-SDS change between manifestation and last observation differed significantly (**Table I**). In girls with anorexia nervosa, a decrease was observed, whereas an increase was present in girls with any other eating disorder or without eating disorder. Within the first 10 years after diabetes manifestation, a significant difference between groups was found (**Figure 2**). Girls with anorexia nervosa showed a lower BMI-SDS at each time point during follow-up compared with girls without eating disorder, and girls with binge eating disorder had a higher BMI-SDS starting 3 years after diabetes manifestation (**Figure 2**). In logistic regression analyses adjusted for age at manifestation, diabetes duration at last observation and migration background, a decrease of BMI-SDS during the course of T1DM was associated with a greater than 6-fold likelihood of developing anorexia nervosa compared with girls with

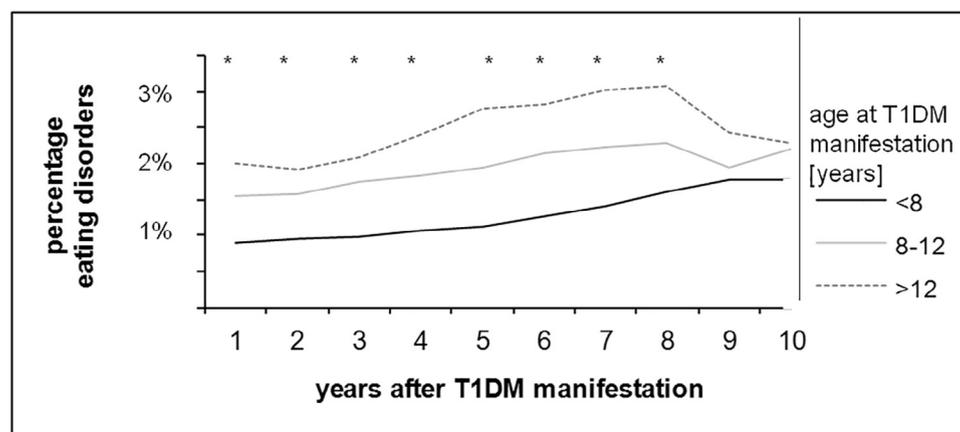


**Figure 2.** A, HbA1c and B, BMI-SDS during follow-up stratified by type of eating disorder; Adjusted means from linear regression models with adjustments for age at onset and migration background.  $P$  value is given for trend.

a BMI-SDS increase  $\geq 1$  SDS, and a BMI-SDS increase between 0 and  $<1$  SDS during the course of diabetes was associated with a lower chance (0.14 [0.07-0.28]) for developing anorexia nervosa compared with girls with a BMI-SDS reduction during follow-up (**Table II**).

The changes of height-SDS between manifestation and 3-6 months later as well as between manifestation and last observation did not differ significantly between groups (**Table I**).

Unadjusted group comparisons are summarized in **Table I**. In logistic regression analyses, longer diabetes duration was significantly related to eating disorders (**Table II**). An underweight status was associated with a higher likelihood of anorexia nervosa or EDNOS compared with normal weight or overweight status. HbA1c levels  $\geq 7.5\%$  at last visit were associated with a greater than 1.7-fold likelihood for suffering from bulimia nervosa and a nearly 2-fold odds for EDNOS compared with girls with HbA1c levels  $<7.5\%$  (**Table II**). Diabetic ketoacidosis or severe hypoglycemia in the year before the last visit increased the likelihood for anorexia nervosa or EDNOS, and bulimia nervosa was not associated with diabetic ketoacidosis or severe hypoglycemia (**Table II**). Injection therapy was not related to any eating disorder except for



\*:  $P < .01$

**Figure 3.** Prevalence of eating disorders in the course of T1DM stratified by age at manifestation diabetes.

anorexia nervosa. The usage of pump decreased the likelihood for anorexia nervosa by almost one-half.

Stratifying the girls according to age at diabetes onset demonstrated that the prevalence of eating disorder after 10 years of diabetes duration did not differ significantly ( $P = .424$ ) (Figure 3). However, in the first 8 years after diabetes manifestation, the prevalence of eating disorder was significantly different according to age at manifestation of diabetes, with lower rates in younger girls. The increase of eating disorder prevalence over time started 5 years after diabetes manifestation in girls with an age at manifestation  $<8$  years and 2 years after manifestation in girls with an age between 8 and 12 years at diabetes manifestation or  $>12$  years at diabetes manifestation.

## Discussion

We were able to demonstrate that higher HbA1c and higher rate of diabetic ketoacidosis or severe hypoglycemia in the course of diabetes were associated with eating disorders. In contrast to the well-known phenomenon that BMI-SDS increases after diagnosis of T1DM in children and adolescents,<sup>24</sup> BMI-SDS decreased in our study in girls with anorexia nervosa. A decrease of BMI-SDS increases the risk nearly 7-fold for suffering from anorexia nervosa.

It has been hypothesized that individuals with T1DM getting overweight may be more likely to develop eating disorders because a higher BMI increases the drive for thinness, thus, making these individuals more susceptible.<sup>6,25,26</sup> However, we found no higher incidence of any eating disorder in girls with higher BMI-SDS.

Girls developing eating disorders were characterized by a deterioration of their HbA1c levels during follow-up. A HbA1c level of  $>7.5\%$  at last observation was associated with a 1.7-fold likelihood for suffering from bulimia nervosa and a nearly 2-fold odds for EDNOS compared with girls with HbA1c levels of  $<7.5\%$ . Higher HbA1c levels in patients with eating disorder have been reported previously.<sup>2,4,14-16</sup>

Furthermore, eating disorders were characterized by a higher rate of diabetic ketoacidosis. This is in line with a previous analysis reporting higher rates of inpatient-treated diabetic ketoacidosis in female patients aged 11-21 years with T1DM who scored positive on a screening questionnaire for disordered eating.<sup>27</sup> Interestingly, in our study, a higher prevalence of diabetic ketoacidosis occurred already 2 years after manifestation of diabetes in girls with eating disorders. The higher prevalence of diabetic ketoacidosis in eating disorders is also associated with longer hospitalization stays and an increased prevalence of retinopathy as demonstrated previously in the DPV cohort.<sup>2</sup>

Reasons for the worse metabolic control in girls with eating disorders already in the first years after manifestation could be blood glucose fluctuations due to overeating or binge eating, lack of adherence to treatment regimen, insulin omission, or underdosing (“insulin purging”).<sup>2,3,14,28,29</sup> “Insulin purging” is a unique tool to reduce weight in diabetes and has been reported in many patients with eating disorder.<sup>3,7,28,30,31</sup> It is regarded as characteristic for eating disorders in T1DM and an important mediator between eating disorders and poor metabolic control.<sup>7</sup> Beside the catabolism of lipids, the induced glycosuria results in excretion of calories with the urine and contributes to weight loss. Although restricting or omitting insulin can be appropriate in some circumstances (eg, to avoid hypoglycemia or prior to exercise), it is considered a diabetes-specific purging behavior in eating disorders when used for weight loss. Up to 44% of female adolescents and young women with T1DM were reported to use this weight-loss strategy.<sup>32</sup> The reason for the intention to reduce body weight might be that a large proportion of girls with eating disorders reported body dissatisfaction as reflected by a discrepancy between their actual body size and ideal body shape.<sup>25</sup> In our study, the lower reported insulin dosage per body surface in patients with anorexia nervosa or bulimia nervosa might indicate insulin omission, underdosing, or under-reporting. Another explanation for the lower insulin dosage might be enhanced insulin sensitivity due to excessive

physical activity or, in patients with anorexia nervosa, due to empty glycogen storages. Rate of severe hypoglycemia was higher in girls with eating disorders in our study already in the first year after manifestation of diabetes. Severe caloric restriction (to achieve weight loss) and empty glycogen storages may lead to higher rates of hypoglycemia.<sup>33</sup> Importantly, insulin misuse for weight loss purposes is associated with the main finding in patients with eating disorders in our study, higher HbA1c levels,<sup>14,27,34</sup> which leads in turn to a higher morbidity and an earlier mortality.<sup>14,35</sup>

The prevalence of 1.6% documented eating disorders was lower than the reported rate of 7% up to 33% suspected eating disorders based on anonymous questionnaires in female adolescents with T1DM.<sup>5,6</sup> Higher rates of eating disorder are more likely to be reported when anonymity occurs in contrast to our study.<sup>36</sup> Usually, eating disorder rates are higher in studies using specific screening tools targeted for the detection of eating disorders than in patient registries such as DPV.<sup>5,36,37</sup> Likely, many cases of eating disorders are undiagnosed in clinical registries of T1DM. Disordered eating is often denied or downplayed by patients. A clinical diagnosis of eating disorder might not always be reported to diabetologists by patients or their psychologists. In addition, the wide age range also including prepubertal children in our study may explain the lower eating disorder prevalence compared with previous studies focusing mainly on adolescents.

Age is an important risk factor for eating disorders because of eating disorders usually are not diagnosed before puberty.<sup>7,38</sup> In our study, the prevalence of eating disorders increased after 5 years of diabetes duration in girls with T1DM manifestation before the age of 8 years suggesting a prepubertal stage at manifestation, and the prevalence of eating disorders increased already 2 years after diabetes manifestation in girls aged 8–12 years at diabetes manifestation. These findings point toward a manifestation of eating disorders predominately at late pubertal age. This observation fits well to studies reporting that female adolescents aged 12–18 years being the most vulnerable for eating disorder.<sup>3,7,25,38</sup>

Several behavioral factors may increase the likelihood of eating disorder among adolescents with T1DM. One example is focussing on food and dieting as part of diabetes management such as counting carbohydrates and restrictive dietary behaviors.<sup>28</sup> In this context, the use of a pump, which allows the most flexibility in eating, was associated with a lower prevalence of anorexia nervosa in our study as well as in a previous small study.<sup>31</sup> However, diabetologists may recommend usage of pumps more frequently in girls without eating disorder. Because we found no relationship between celiac disease and eating disorders in our study, this finding points against the hypotheses that eating disorders in T1DM are simply caused by focusing on food and eating pattern.

We found lower odds of eating disorders in girls with migration background suggesting that also cultural, social, or genetic factors influence the prevalence of eating disorder in girls with T1DM. Future studies are necessary to understand why girls in Western culture are more susceptible for eating disorders.

Several limitations have to be kept in mind. First, eating disorders might be under-reported in the database. The documentation of a comorbid eating disorder was made by diabetologists and not by mental health professionals in the DPV registry. There may be a lack of systematic screening for eating disorders in the diabetes care centers. Furthermore, patients not allowing the documentation of eating disorder were classified as T1DM patients without eating disorder. Second, subclinical eating disorders or subtypes of eating disorder could not be considered. For example, we have not analyzed separately the restrictive or binge/purging type of anorexia nervosa. Third, in our multiple regression models, we have analyzed the changes between baseline and last visit, probably missing changes of BMI-SDS or HbA1c during the course of the eating disorder. This is of importance especially in those girls, whose eating disorders have been well-controlled before the last visit. However, eating disorders are frequently life-long diseases and the changes of HbA1c and BMI-SDS over time are plotted in **Figure 2**. Fourth, it is possible that DSM-IV criteria used for classification have not been met in the strictest sense in some patients. Hence, there could be an overlap in the diagnostic categories. Fifth, it has been suggested to screen for eating disorders in patients with T1DM with specific validated and reliable screening tools (eg, Diabetes Eating Problem Survey-Revised).<sup>37,39</sup> Sixth, we do not know the exact onset of eating disorder because the diagnosis of eating disorders is usually delayed,<sup>33</sup> which might have influenced our findings. In this line it is possible that weight changes occurred before clinical diagnosis of eating disorder. Seventh, we have summarized all girls with migration background, and it is possible that ethnicity and cultural background are more important factors than migration itself. Eighth, we have not enough data concerning pubertal stage, which would be helpful because eating disorders seem to start in our study at pubertal age. Finally and most importantly, our study design does not allow differentiating whether the eating disorder-related factors are the cause or the consequence of eating disorder.

In summary, worse metabolic control, as demonstrated by elevated HbA1c levels, increased prevalence of diabetic ketoacidosis, and severe hypoglycemia already in the first years after manifestation of T1DM and especially in late pubertal age, are significant hints for eating disorder. In addition, BMI-SDS decrease after T1DM manifestation was related to nearly 7-fold increased odds for comorbid anorexia nervosa. Therefore, these clinical features in girls with T1DM should lead diabetologists to initiate a work-up for eating disorders. Future research including longitudinal and intervention studies based on the suggested theoretical frameworks<sup>28,40</sup> is necessary to prevent and treat eating disorders. ■

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## 50 Years Ago in *THE JOURNAL OF PEDIATRICS*

### A Note on Hypertension in Children and Adolescents. II. Drug Therapy

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In 1969, Loggie described the pharmacologic management of children and adolescents with hypertension. At that time, the efficacy, side effects, and metabolism of these drugs had not been studied in this population, and the rationale for their use was extrapolated from studies in adults, making each therapeutic decision an educated guess at best. This situation has changed significantly since then, especially in the last 2 decades, as more medications have been systematically studied, encouraged by federal legislation.<sup>1</sup> Today, pharmacotherapy is tailored based on blood pressure categories and is usually reserved for patients with symptomatic or persistent hypertension and those with end-organ damage or comorbidities. Nonetheless, the principles remain the same: treatment should start with the lowest dose known to be effective, and it is preferable to use one drug to its maximum tolerated effectiveness before adding a second agent.

As we gained more insight into the mechanisms controlling blood pressure, new medications were developed. Drugs affecting the renin-angiotensin system or the long-acting calcium channel blockers have shown to reduce morbidity and mortality with fewer side effects and thus have largely replaced other options, such as reserpine, diazoxide, ganglionic blocking drugs, phentolamine, and sodium nitroprusside. Thiazides, on the other hand, have endured the passage of time and are still considered first-line treatment.

In the past, a low-sodium diet and physical exercise were considered poorly effective in lowering blood pressure in children. Today, nonpharmacologic measures, such as salt restriction, weight reduction, and regular physical activity, are crucial aspects of treatment for all patients with hypertension regardless of etiology or severity, and have been suggested to increase the beneficial effect of some antihypertensive drugs.

Despite this progress, the prevalence of hypertension among children and adolescents has increased over the last several years, with the obesity epidemic being a significant contributor to this trend. We must continue to strive for early identification of hypertension and optimal treatment to improve the long-term outcomes of cardiovascular disease in children and adolescents.

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## Appendix

### List of participating centers in DPV

Aachen—Innere RWTH	Bottrop Knappschaftskrankenhaus Innere
Aachen—Uni-Kinderklinik RWTH	Braunfels-Wetzlar Innere
Aalen Kinderklinik	Braunschweig Kinderarztpraxis
Ahlen St Franziskus Kinderklinik	Bremen—Kinderklinik Nord
Aidlingen Praxisgemeinschaft	Bremen—Mitte Innere
Altötting Zentrum Inn-Salzach	Bremen Zentralkrankenhaus Kinderklinik
Altötting-Burghausen Innere Medizin	Bremerhaven Kinderklinik
Amberg Kinderklinik St Marien	Bruchweiler Edelsteinklinik Kinder-Reha
Arnsberg-Hüsten Karolinenhosp Kinderabteilung	Böblingen Kinderklinik
Asbach Kamillus-Klinik Innere	Castrop-Rauxel Evangelisches Krankenhaus
Aue Helios Kinderklinik	Castrop-Rauxel Rochus-Hospital
Augsburg IV Med Klinik	Celle Klinik für Kinder- und Jugendmedizin
Augsburg Josefinum Kinderklinik	Chemnitz Kinderklinik
Augsburg Kinderklinik Zentralklinikum	Chemnitz-Hartmannsdorf Innere Medizin—DIAKOMED-1
Aurich Kinderklinik	Coburg Innere Medizin
Bad Aibling Internist Praxis	Coburg Kinderklinik
Bad Driburg/Bad Hermannsborn Innere	Coesfeld Kinderklinik
Bad Hersfeld Innere	Coesfeld/Dülmen Innere Med
Bad Hersfeld Kinderklinik	Darmstadt Innere Medizin
Bad Kreuznach-Viktoriastift	Darmstadt Kinderklinik Prinz. Margaret
Bad Kösen Median Kinderklinik	Datteln Vestische Kinderklinik
Bad Lauterberg Diabeteszentrum Innere	Deggendorf Gemeinschaftspraxis
Bad Mergentheim—Diabetesfachklinik	Deggendorf Kinderklinik
Bad Mergentheim—Gemeinschaftspraxis DM-dorf Althausen	Deggendorf Medizinische Klinik II
Bad Oeynhausen Herz- und Diabeteszentrum NRW	Deggendorf Pädiatrie-Praxis
Bad Orb Spessart Klinik	Delmenhorst Kinderklinik
Bad Orb Spessart Klinik Reha	Dessau Kinderklinik
Bad Reichenhall Kreisklinik Innere Med.	Detmold Kinderklinik
Bad Salzungen Kinderklinik	Dinslaken Kinderklinik
Bad Säckingen Hochrheinklinik Innere	Dornbirn Innere Medizin
Bad Waldsee Kinderarztpraxis	Dornbirn Kinderklinik
Bautzen Oberlausitz KK	Dortmund Kinderklinik
Bayreuth Innere Medizin	Dortmund Knappschaftskrankenhaus Innere
Berchtesgaden CJD	Dortmund Medizinische Kliniken Nord
Berchtesgaden MVZ Innere Med	Dortmund-Hombruch Marienhospital
Berlin DRK-Kliniken Mitte Innere	Dortmund-St Josefhospital Innere
Berlin DRK-Kliniken Pädiatrie	Dortmund-West Innere
Berlin Endokrinologikum	Dresden Neustadt Kinderklinik
Berlin Evang. Krankenhaus Königin Elisabeth	Dresden Uni-Kinderklinik
Berlin Klinik St Hedwig Innere	Duisburg Evang. und Johanniter Krhs Innere
Berlin Lichtenberg—Kinderklinik	Duisburg Malteser Rhein-Ruhr St Anna Innere
Berlin Oskar Zieten Krankenhaus Innere	Duisburg Malteser St Johannes
Berlin Schlosspark-Klinik Innere	Duisburg Sana Kinderklinik
Berlin St Josephskrankenhaus Innere	Duisburg-Huckingen
Berlin Virchow-Kinderklinik	Duisburg-Huckingen Malteser Rhein-Ruhr, St Johannes
Berlin Vivantes Hellersdorf Innere	Duisburg-St Johannes Helios
Bern Universitätsklinik InselSpital Innere Medizin	Düren-Birkedorf Kinderklinik
Bielefeld Kinderarztpraxis	Düsseldorf Uni-Kinderklinik
Bielefeld Kinderklinik Gilead	Eberswalde Klinikum Barnim Werner Forßmann—Innere
Bocholt Kinderklinik	Eisleben Lutherstadt Helios-Klinik
Bochum Universitäts St Josef	Erfurt Kinderklinik
Bochum Universitätskinderklinik St Josef	Erlangen Uni Innere Medizin
Bonn Uni-Kinderklinik	Erlangen Uni-Kinderklinik
	Essen Diabetes-Schwerpunktpraxis
	Essen Elisabeth Kinderklinik
	Essen Kinderarztpraxis
	Essen Uni-Kinderklinik

- Esslingen Klinik für Kinder und Jugendliche  
 Eutin Kinderklinik  
 Eutin St-Elisabeth Innere  
 Feldkirch Kinderklinik  
 Filderstadt Kinderklinik  
 Flensburg Diakonissen Kinderklinik  
 Forchheim Diabeteszentrum SPP  
 Frankenthal Kinderarztpraxis  
 Frankfurt Diabeteszentrum Rhein-Main-  
 Erwachsenenenddiabetologie (Bürgerhospital)  
 Frankfurt Diabeteszentrum Rhein-Main-pädiat. Diabetologie  
 (Clementine-Hospital)  
 Frankfurt Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Frankfurt Uni-Klinik Innere  
 Frankfurt-Sachsenhausen Innere  
 Frankfurt-Sachsenhausen Innere MVZ  
 Freiburg Kinder-MVZ  
 Freiburg St Josef Kinderklinik  
 Freiburg Uni Innere  
 Freiburg Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Freudenstadt Kinderklinik  
 Friedberg Innere Klinik  
 Friedrichshafen Kinderklinik  
 Fulda Innere Medizin  
 Fulda Kinderklinik  
 Fürth Kinderklinik  
 Gaissach Fachklinik der Deutschen Rentenversicherung Bayern  
 Süd  
 Garmisch-Partenkirchen Kinderklinik  
 Geislingen Klinik Helfenstein Innere  
 Gelnhausen Innere  
 Gelnhausen Kinderklinik  
 Gelsenkirchen Kinderklinik Marienhospital  
 Gera Kinderklinik  
 Gießen Ev Krankenhaus Mittelhessen  
 Gießen Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Graz Uni Innere  
 Graz Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Greifswald Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Göppingen Innere Medizin  
 Göppingen Kinderklinik am Eichert  
 Görlitz Städtische Kinderklinik  
 Göttingen Uni Gastroenterologie  
 Göttingen Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Güstrow Innere  
 Hachenburg Kinderpraxis  
 Hagen Kinderklinik  
 Halberstadt Innere Med. AMEOS Klinik  
 Halberstadt Kinderklinik AMEOS  
 Halle Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Halle-Dölau Städtische Kinderklinik  
 Hamburg Altonaer Kinderklinik  
 Hamburg Endokrinologikum  
 Hamburg Kinderklinik Wilhelmstift  
 Hamburg-Nord Kinder-MVZ  
 Hameln Kinderklinik  
 Hamm Kinderklinik  
 Hanau Kinderklinik  
 Hanau St Vincenz—Innere  
 Hannover DM-SPP  
 Hannover Henriettenstift—Innere  
 Hannover Kinderklinik MHH  
 Hannover Kinderklinik auf der Bult  
 Haren Kinderarztpraxis  
 Heide Kinderklinik  
 Heidelberg St Josefskrankenhaus  
 Heidelberg Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Heidelberg Uniklinik Innere  
 Heidenheim Arztpraxis Allgemeinmed  
 Heidenheim Kinderklinik  
 Heilbronn Innere Klinik  
 Heilbronn Kinderklinik  
 Herdecke Kinderklinik  
 Herford Innere Med I  
 Herford Kinderarztpraxis  
 Herford Klinikum Kinder and Jugendliche  
 Heringsdorf Inselklinik  
 Hermeskeil Kinderpraxis  
 Herne Evan. Krankenhaus Innere  
 Herten St Elisabeth Innere Medizin  
 Hildburghausen Hennebergklinik  
 Hildesheim GmbH—Innere  
 Hildesheim Kinderarztpraxis  
 Hildesheim Kinderklinik  
 Hinrichsseggen-Bruckmühl Diabetikerjugendhaus  
 Hof Kinderklinik  
 Hohenmölsen Diabeteszentrum  
 Homburg Uni-Kinderklinik Saarland  
 Idar Oberstein Innere  
 Ingolstadt Klinikum Innere  
 Innsbruck Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Innsbruck Universitätsklinik Innere  
 Iserlohn Innere Medizin  
 Itzehoe Kinderklinik  
 Jena Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Jena diabetol. Schwerpunktpraxis  
 Kaiserslautern Kinderarztpraxis  
 Kaiserslautern-Westpfalzlinikum Kinderklinik  
 Kamen Klinikum Westfalen Hellmig Krankenhaus  
 Karlsburg Klinik für Diabetes and Stoffwechsel  
 Karlsruhe Städtische Kinderklinik  
 Kassel Klinikum Kinder- und Jugendmedizin  
 Kassel Städtische Kinderklinik  
 Kaufbeuren Innere Medizin  
 Kempen Heilig Geist—Innere  
 Kempten Oberallgäu Kinderklinik  
 Kiel Städtische Kinderklinik  
 Kiel Universitäts-Kinderklinik  
 Kirchen DRK Krankenhaus Kinderklinik  
 Kirchheim-Nürtingen Innere  
 Klagenfurt Innere Med I  
 Kleve Innere Medizin  
 Koblenz Kemperhof 1. Med. Klinik  
 Koblenz Kinderklinik Kemperhof

Konstanz Innere Klinik	Murnau am Staffelsee—diabetol. SPP
Konstanz Kinderklinik	Mutterstadt Kinderarztpraxis
Krefeld Alexianer Innere	Mödling Kinderklinik
Krefeld Innere Klinik	Mölln Reha-Klinik Hellbachtal
Krefeld Kinderklinik	Mönchengladbach Kinderklinik Rheydt Elisabethkrankenhaus
Krefeld-Uerdingen St Josef Innere	Mühlacker Enzkrainkliniken Innere
Kreischa-Zscheckwitz Klinik Bavaria	Mühdorf am Inn Kinderarztpraxis
Köln Kinderklinik Amsterdamerstrasse	München 3. Orden Kinderklinik
Köln Uni-Kinderklinik	München Diabetes-Zentrum Süd
Landau Innere	München Kinderarztpraxis diabet. SPP
Landshut Kinderklinik	München Schwerpunktpraxis
Lappersdorf Kinderarztpraxis	München von Haunersche Kinderklinik
Leer Klinikum—Klinik Kinder and Jugendmedizin	München-Gauting Kinderarztzentrum
Leipzig Uni-Kinderklinik	München-Harlaching Kinderklinik
Leoben LKH Kinderklinik	München-Schwabing Kinderklinik
Leverkusen Kinderklinik	Münster Herz Jesu Innere
Lienz BKH Kinderklinik	Münster Ludgerus-Kliniken GmbH
Lienz Diabetesschwerpunktpraxis für Kinder und Jugendliche	Münster St Franziskus Kinderklinik
Lilienthal Diabeteszentrum	Münster Uni-Kinderklinik
Limburg Innere Medizin	Münster pädiat. Schwerpunktpraxis
Lindenfels Luisenkrankenhaus Innere	Münsterlingen Kinderklinik
Lindenfels Luisenkrankenhaus Innere 2	Nagold Kreiskrankenhaus Innere
Lingen Kinderklinik St Bonifatius	Nauen Havellandklinik
Linz AKH—2 Med	Neuburg Kinderklinik
Linz KUK MedCampus IV Kinderklinik	Neumarkt Innere
Linz Krankenhaus Barmherzige Schwestern Kardiologie Abt Int II	Neunkirchen Innere Medizin
Linz Krankenhaus der Barmherzigen Schwestern Kinderklinik	Neunkirchen Marienhausklinik Kohlhof Kinderklinik
Lippstadt Evangelische Kinderklinik	Neuruppin Kinderklinik
Ludwigsburg Kinderklinik	Neuss Lukas-Krankenhaus Kinderklinik
Ludwigshafen Kinderklinik St Anna-Stift	Neuss Lukaskrankenhaus Kinderklinik
Ludwigshafen diabetol. SPP	Neuwied Kinderklinik Elisabeth
Luxembourg—Centre Hospitalier	Neuwied Marienhaus Klinikum St Elisabeth Innere
Lübeck Uni-Kinderklinik	Nidda Bad Salzhausen Klinik Rabenstein/Innere-2 Reha
Lübeck Uni-Klinik Innere Medizin	Nürnberg Cnopfsche Kinderklinik
Lüdenscheid Hilfswerk Kinder and Jugendliche	Nürnberg Med. Klinik 4
Lüdenscheid Märkische Kliniken—Kinder and Jugendmedizin	Nürnberg Zentrum f Neugeb./Kinder and Jugendl.
Lünen Klinik am Park	Oberhausen Innere
Magdeburg Städtisches Klinikum Innere	Oberhausen Kinderklinik
Magdeburg Uni-Kinderklinik	Oberhausen Kinderpraxis
Mainz Uni-Kinderklinik	Oberhausen St Clemens Hospitale Sterkrade
Mannheim Uni-Kinderklinik	Oberndorf Gastroenterologische Praxis Schwerpunkt Diabetologie
Mannheim Uniklinik Innere Medizin	Oberwart—Burgenländische Krankenanstalten Pädiatrie
Marburg—UKGM Endokrinologie and Diabetes	Offenbach/Main Innere Medizin
Marburg Uni-Kinderklinik	Offenbach/Main Kinderklinik
Marburg Uni-Kinderklinik	Offenburg Kinderklinik
Marktredwitz Innere Medizin	Oldenburg Kinderklinik
Marpingen-SPP	Oldenburg Schwerpunktpraxis
Mechernich Kinderklinik	Olpe pädiatrische Gemeinschaftspraxis
Meissen Kinderklinik Elblandklinikum	Oschersleben MEDIGREIF Bördekrankenhaus
Melk Kinderklinik	Osnabrück Christliches Kinderhospital
Memmingen Internistische Praxis	Osterkappeln Innere
Memmingen Kinderklinik	Ottobeuren Kreiskrankenhaus
Merzig Kinderklinik	Oy-Mittelberg Hochgebirgsklinik Kinder-Reha
Minden Kinderklinik	Paderborn St Vincenz Kinderklinik
Moers—St Josefskrankenhaus Innere	Papenburg Marienkrankenhaus Kinderklinik
Moers Kinderklinik	Passau Kinderarztpraxis

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 Pforzheim Kinderklinik  
 Pfullendorf Innere Medizin  
 Pirmasens Städtisches Krankenhaus Innere  
 Plauen Vogtlandklinikum  
 Rastatt Gemeinschaftspraxis  
 Rastatt Kreiskrankenhaus Innere  
 Ravensburg Kinderklinik St Nikolaus  
 Recklinghausen Dialysezentrum Innere  
 Regensburg Kinderklinik St Hedwig  
 Remscheid Kinderklinik  
 Rendsburg Kinderklinik  
 Reutlingen Kinderarztpraxis  
 Reutlingen Kinderklinik  
 Reutlingen Klinikum Steinenberg Innere  
 Reutte Tirol BKH Kinderklinik  
 Rheine Mathiasspital Kinderklinik  
 Ried Innkreis Barmherzige Schwestern  
 Rodalben St Elisabeth  
 Rosenheim Innere Medizin  
 Rosenheim Kinderklinik  
 Rosenheim Schwerpunktpraxis  
 Rostock Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Rostock Universität Innere Medizin  
 Rotenburg/Wümme Agaplesion Diakonieklinikum  
     Kinderabteilung  
 Rüsselsheim Kinderklinik  
 Saaldorf-Surheim Diabetespraxis  
 Saalfeld Thüringenklinik Kinderklinik  
 Saarbrücken Kinderklinik Winterberg  
 Saarbrücken Kinderklinik Winterberg 2  
 Saarlouis Kinderklinik  
 Salzburg Universitäts-Kinderklinik  
 Scheibbs Landesklinikum  
 Scheidegg Prinzregent Luitpold  
 Scheidegg Reha-Kinderklinik Maximilian  
 Schw. Gmünd Stauferklinik Kinderklinik  
 Schweinfurt Kinderklinik  
 Schwerin Innere Medizin  
 Schwerin Kinderklinik  
 Schwäbisch Hall Diakonie Innere Medizin  
 Schwäbisch Hall Diakonie Kinderklinik  
 Siegen Kinderklinik  
 Singen—Hegauklinik Kinderklinik  
 Singen Kinderarztpraxis  
 Sinsheim Innere  
 Spaichingen Innere  
 Speyer Diakonissen Stiftungs Krankenhaus Pädiatrie  
 St Augustin Kinderklinik  
 St Johann Tirol Kinderklinik  
 St Pölten Universitäts-Kinderklinik  
 St Pölten Universitätsklinik Innere  
 Stade Kinderklinik  
 Stockerau Landeskrankenhaus  
 Stolberg Kinderklinik  
 Stuttgart Olgahospital Kinderklinik  
 Stuttgart Sana Klinik Bethesda  
 Suhl Kinderklinik  
 Sylt Rehaklinik  
 Tett nang Innere Medizin  
 Timmendorfer Strand  
 Traunstein Kinderklinik  
 Traunstein diabetol. Schwerpunktpraxis  
 Trier Kinderklinik der Borromäerinnen  
 Trostberg Innere  
 Tübingen Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Ulm Endokrinologikum  
 Ulm Schwerpunktpraxis Bahnhofplatz  
 Ulm Uni Innere Medizin  
 Ulm Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Vechta Kinderklinik  
 Viersen Kinderkrankenhaus St Nikolaus  
 Villach Kinderklinik  
 Villingen-Schwenningen SPP  
 Villingen-Schwenningen Schwarzwald Baar Klinikum  
     Kinderklinik  
 Villingen-Schwenningen Schwarzwald-Baar-Klinikum Innere  
 Vöcklabruck Kinderklinik  
 Waldshut Kinderpraxis  
 Waldshut-Tiengen Kinderpraxis Biberbau  
 Wangen Oberschwabenklinik Innere Medizin  
 Waren-Müritz Kinderklinik  
 Weiden Kinderklinik  
 Weingarten Kinderarztpraxis  
 Weisswasser Kreiskrankenhaus  
 Wels Klinikum Pädiatrie  
 Wernberg-Köblitz SPP  
 Werningerode MVZ  
 Wesel Marienhospital Kinderklinik  
 Wetzlar Schwerpunkt-Praxis  
 Wien 3. Med. Hietzing Innere  
 Wien Preyersches Kinderspital  
 Wien Rudolfstiftung  
 Wien SMZ Ost Donauspital  
 Wien Uni Innere Med III  
 Wien Uni-Kinderklinik  
 Wien Wilhelminenspital 5. Med. Abteilung  
 Wiesbaden Helios Horst-Schmidt-Kinderkliniken  
 Wiesbaden Kinderklinik DKD  
 Wilhelmshaven Klinikum Kinderklinik  
 Wilhelmshaven St Willehad Innere  
 Winnenden Rems-Murr Kinderklinik  
 Wismar Kinderklinik  
 Wittenberg Innere Medizin  
 Wittenberg Kinderklinik  
 Wolgast Innere Medizin  
 Worms—Weierhof  
 Worms Kinderklinik  
 Wuppertal Kinderklinik  
 Wörth am Main SPP  
 Würzburg Kinderarztpraxis  
 Zweibrücken Ev. KH. Innere  
 Zweibrücken Kinderarztpraxis  
 Zwettl Landesklinikum Gmünd-Waidhofen Kinderklinik

**Table I.** Clinical characteristics of girls at onset of T1DM and in the course of the disease stratified by presence or absence of eating disorder during follow-up

Type of eating disorder	Without eating disorders	Any eating disorder	Anorexia nervosa	Eating disorder other than anorexia nervosa	Binge eating disorder	Bulimia nervosa	EDNOS
Numbers at baseline	31 042	514	155	359	45	85	229
Age, y	8.7 (5.2-11.8)	9.9 (6.6-12.3)*	10.1 (6.4-12.5)*	9.9 (6.6-12.3)*	9.2 (7.0-11.7)	10.7 (7.6-12.8)*	9.9 (6.4-12.1)*
Height-SDS	0.31 (-0.41-1.04)	0.28 (-0.33-1.12)	0.18 (-0.33-0.82)	0.35 (-0.30-1.15)	0.56 (-0.53-2.01)	0.38 (-0.44-1.10)	0.34 (-0.24-1.11)
BMI-SDS	-0.37 (-1.13-0.39)	-0.27 (-0.91-0.41)	-0.53 (-1.20-0.28)	-0.19 (-0.82-0.48)	-0.25 (-0.98-0.70)	-0.25 (-0.58-0.04)	-0.11 (-0.82-0.52)
Manifestation with ketoacidosis [%]	19.3	17.3	23.0	14.6	18.8	11.1	14.6
HbA1c [%]	11.2 (9.6-13.0)	11.7 (10.1-13.8)*	11.7 (9.8-13.5)*	11.8 (10.1-14.0)*	11.2 (9.2-12.2)*	12.3 (9.8-14.1)*	11.8 (10.5-14.0)*
Migration background [%]	14.7	9.5*	10.3	9.2*	6.7	5.9*	10.9
Associated diseases							
Celiac disease [%]	2.8	1.9	2.6	1.7	4.4	0	1.7
Autoimmune thyroiditis [%]	19.4	23.9*	23.2	24.2*	24.4	21.2	25.3*
Changes between manifestation and 3-6 mo							
Change of height-SDS	-0.08 (-0.27-0.08)	-0.07 (-0.19-0.07)	-0.08 (-0.19-0.01)	-0.06 (-0.19-0.08)	-0.12 (-0.18--0.05)	-0.05 (-0.16-0.03)	-0.04 (-0.20-0.11)
Change of BMI-SDS	+0.48 (0.13-0.94)	+0.50 (0.12-0.87)	+0.61 (0.08-1.11)	+0.46 (0.13-0.82)	+0.81 (0.08-1.23)	+0.44 (0.21-0.87)	+0.43 (0.09-0.74)
Changes between manifestation and last observation							
Change of height-SDS	-0.13 (-0.58-0.22)	-0.25 (-0.81-0.16)	-0.12 (-0.61-0.10)	-0.28 (-0.87-0.16)	-0.35 (-1.25-0.21)	-0.28 (-0.51-0.16)	-0.28 (-0.86-0.14)
Change of BMI-SDS	+0.78 (0.24-1.37)	+0.56 (-0.15-1.11)*	-0.04 (-1.13-0.82)*	+0.80 (0.06-1.30)	+0.88 (0.59-1.67)	+0.56 (-0.18-1.24)	+0.76 (0.05-1.16)
Last observation							
Diabetes duration [y]	7.2 (3.9-11.5)	8.5 (5.4-13.8)*	8.5 (5.1-13.9)*	8.6 (5.8-13.8)*	8.3 (5.6-11.6)	11.3 (7.0-17.6)*	8.2 (5.4-12.5)*
HbA1c [%]	7.9 (7.1-8.9)	8.4 (7.4-10.3)*	8.3 (7.3-10.7)*	8.5 (7.5-10.1)*	8.5 (8.0-10.5)	8.4 (7.5-10.3)*	8.6 (7.6-9.9)*
Insulin doses [IU] per d	50.0 (34.8-65.0)	50.0 (34.2-67.0)	43.0 (26.0-62.7)*	52.7 (38.0-69.5)*	56.4 (42.6-76.0)	44.0 (32.0-62.0)*	53.3 (39.5-70.7)
Insulin doses [IU] per body surface and d	30.1 (22.9-38.0)	29.7 (20.9-38.9)	27.4 (17.2-37.3)*	30.5 (22.4-39.6)	31.8 (23.8-43.4)	27.7 (19.9-33.3)	31.8 (23.2-40.0)
Pump usage [%]	45.1	36.4*	29.0*	39.7	39.0	41.1	39.4
Patients with ketoacidosis [%]	2.3	5.4*	7.1*	4.7*	6.7	2.4	5.2*
Patients with severe hypoglycemia [%]	8.0	11.3*	12.9*	10.6	6.7	8.2	12.3*

Data as median and IQR or as percentage.

\*Significant difference between eating disorder and no eating disorder ( $P < .05$ , adjusted for multiple comparisons).