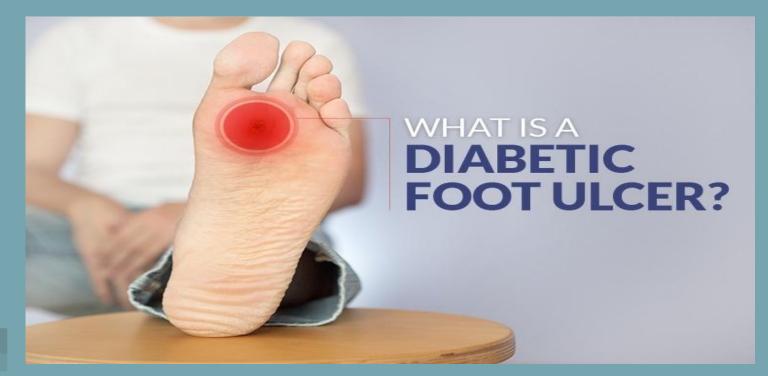
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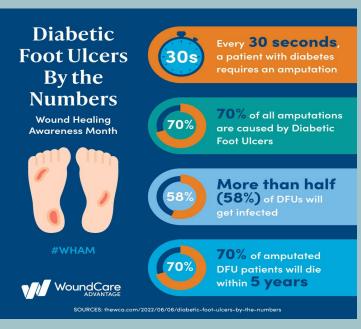


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### **Epidemiology of Diabetic Foot**

- Diabetic Foot Ulcers( DFU) are common complications of poorly controlled diabetes mellitus (DM)
- The global prevalence of diabetes mellitus is estimated 382mln including the US
- DFU complication problems affects 131 mln globally
- Morbidity: Approximately 15% of diabetic patients develop DFU in their lifetime
- Recurrence rates 65% of patients (3-5 years)
- Amputation incidence is 20%
- Mortality after DFU is 50-70%
- Current economic burden of DFU and amputations in US is 11 billion

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## **Disparities of DFU**

Age:

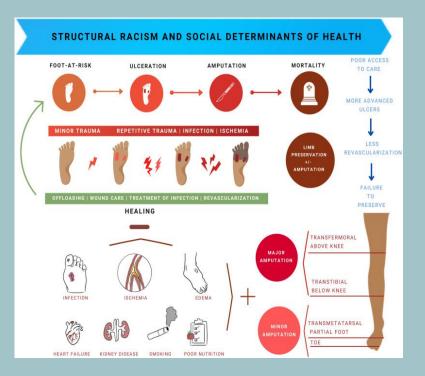
- The risk of DFU is increase with age, duration of DM
- Young and middle age people have more advanced foot ulceration due to poor lifestyle, high A1C, higher PN and smoking

Sex/Gender:

- DFU is 1.5 higher in males than in females
- Minor and major amputation is also higher in men( because of underlying risk factor, access to care, screening, and adherence to treatment)

Race/ Ethnicity

• Black, Hispanic and other non-white adults experience in higher rates



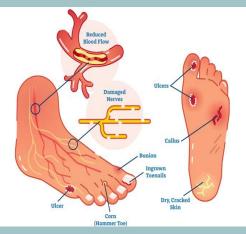
# **Etiology of Diabetic Foot Ulcer**

Formation of DFU is multifactorial

- Poor management of DM and chronic hyperglycemia
- Peripheral Neuropathy(PN)
- Peripheral Vascular Disease (PVD) due to atherosclerosis→poor circulation→ tissue ischemia
- Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD)
- Calluses or foot deformities, muscle dystrophy
- Improper footwear & care ( causes foot injury)
- Repetitive mechanical trauma of the foot or toes
- Infections of the foot / previous healed ulcer

DFUs are classified into 3 types:

- 1. Purely neuropathic 35%
- 2. Purley Ischemic 15%
- 3. Mixed neuroischemic 50%

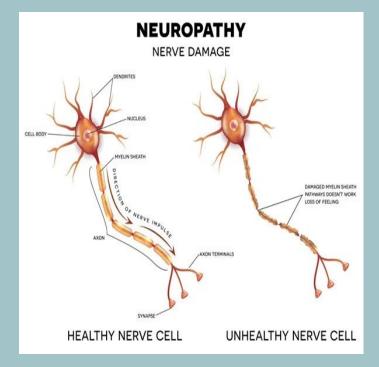


### **Neuropathy** → **Neuropathic Ulcers**

#### 60% of DM ${\rightarrow} Neuropathy {\rightarrow} DFU$

Neuropathy is a nerve damage due to high blood sugar, causes numbness, tingling, a burning feeling, pain, cramps or weakness in the hands and feet, further may spread into limbs

- Peripheral Neuropathy
- Autonomic Neuropathy



## **Diabetic Foot ulcers**

Stages vary from different factors

### **DFU leads**

- Infection
- Amputation
- Disability
- Death

	DIABETIC FOOT ULCER			
STAGE 0	STAGE 1	STAGE 2		
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No open lesions / Healed lesions	Superficial ulcer (not penetrating into deeper	Deep ulcer (until the tendon, bone or joint)		
STAGE 3	STAGE 4	STAGE 5		
Deep ulcers with infected tissues	Partial Gangrene	Complete Gangrene		

# Infection of DFU

Infection predispose to  $\mathsf{DFU}$  , and ulcers also predispose to infections

50% ulcers associated with skin and soft tissue infection

#### Most common causative pathogens :

- <u>Staphylococcus spp.</u>
- <u>Streptococcus spp.</u>
- <u>Typically polymicrobial</u>

#### $DM \rightarrow impares immune system:$

- ↓ cytokine production
- Defects phagocytosis
- Immune cell dysfunction

If ulcers size >2cm<sup>2</sup> and/or ulcer depth >3mm  $\rightarrow$ Diabetic **osteomyelitis** (infection of the bone tissue)



### **Amputation of Gangrenous DFU**





igure 17-21 A, Forefoot amputation status after revascularization in a 70-year-old man with diabetes mellitus, renal failure, and ecrotizing infection. Because of a limb-threatening lesion and prior contralateral limb amputation, adjunctive HBO therapy was initiated the postoperative period. B, Lesion 3 weeks later, after 21 HBO treatments and aggressive wound care. Note extensive healing. Lesion 50 days after radical debridement and split-thickness mesh graft was placed. D, Foot remained healed at 1-year follow-up.

#### **Prevention of DFU/Diabetic footwear**

- Prevention and Timely screening is a key
- (visit to Podiatrist)
- Wearing proper fit footwear ( covered by insurance)
- Glycemic control ( diet education )
- Infection control
- Multidisciplinary intervention ( physician, podiatrist, RN, RD) for treatment is necessary



### **Case Study/Nutrition Assessment**

#### HPI: Abscess of foot, cellulitis of RLE, acute osteomyelitis

**Food & Nutrition Hx:** 59 y.o male admitted with foot abscess, infected diabetic foot wound of right foot. Pt's PMH of DM-2, HTN. Currently, pt has a good appetite and P.O intake. Pt denies constipation, diarrhea, nausea, and vomiting.

Food intolerance: No

Food allergy: No known allergies

Feeding Ability: Independent

Appetite Evaluation: Good (>75% PO intake)

Factors Affecting PO intake: None

Pain interfering with orally intake: No

**Anthropometrics:** 

Height: 173 cm( 5'8.11")

Weight: 92.5kg ( 203 lb 14.8oz)

BMI: 30.9 (Overweight)

IBW: 80kg( 176lb 5.9 oz)

UBW: 92.5kg (203 lbs)

Wt loss criteria: none

## Patient's labs/medications

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**Current Medications:** 

Scheduled Meds: • amLODIPine, 10 mg, Oral, Daily

- aspirin, 81 mg, Oral, Daily
- atorvastatin, 20 mg, Oral, Nightly
- enoxaparin, 40 mg, Subcutaneous, Daily
- gabapentin, 100 mg, Oral, TID
- insulin glargine, 36 Units, Subcutaneous, Q12H SCH
- insulin lispro, 0-10 Units, Subcutaneous, With meals & nightly
- insulin lispro, 17 Units, Subcutaneous, TID AC
- · losartan, 25 mg, Oral, Daily
- metFORMIN XR, 500 mg, Oral, Daily with breakfast
- vancomycin, 1,500 mg, IV Infusion, Q8H SCH

Continuous Infusions:

PRN Meds:.. acetaminophen

dextrose

glucagon

## Estimated Nutritional Requirements Based on: IBW

Diet order/supplements: Diabetic Medium CCD( 1800-2000 kcal)

Calories	2400	kcal/ day, based on	30	kcal/kg
Protein	96	gm/day, based on	1.2	m/kg
Fluids	2400	ml/kg, Based on	30	ml/kg

Current Nutrition Order Meets Estimated Needs: no

#### **Nutrition Diagnosis**

PES: <u>Altered nutrition status RT to DM</u> requiring modified CHO intake AEB <u>hyperglycemia</u>.

**NFPE:** No visual wasting observed

**Does the patient have malnutrition:** At risk for

### **Nutrition Intervention/MNT**

#### Nutrition Education: Yes

**Verbalized understanding:** Provided diabetic educational materials in Russian language, explained how to count carbohydrates and how to monitor blood sugar via diet.

#### Expected compliance: Poor

**Recommendations:** Change to diabetic high CCD, supplement with Juven( 90kcal, 14g of protein) 1pk/day, Vitamin B12, Vitamin C and Zinc, omega-3, supplementation for wound healing, proper hydration

**Goals:** Improve understanding and compliance to diet, promote healthy eating habits, improve nutrition related labs, achieve/maintain hydration, improve skin integrity.

Juven is rich with aa : Arginine & Glutamine supports DFU healing



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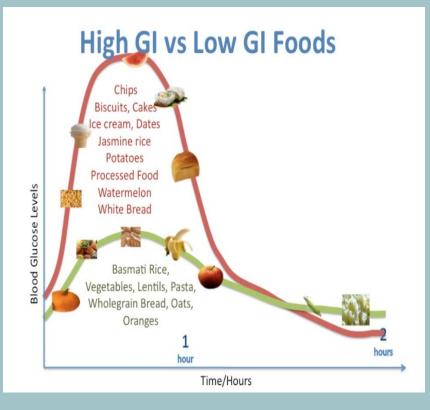
## **Monitoring/Evaluation**

- Maintain weight , + or -2%
- Maintain hydration
- Electrolytes WNL
- Promote wound healing
- Comply with nutrition Rx
- Improve food/nutrition related knowledge

Reassessment due date: in 5 days

Discharge plan: Discharge on recommended diet

**Referral to outpatient department: Y**es (needs further diabetic education)



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