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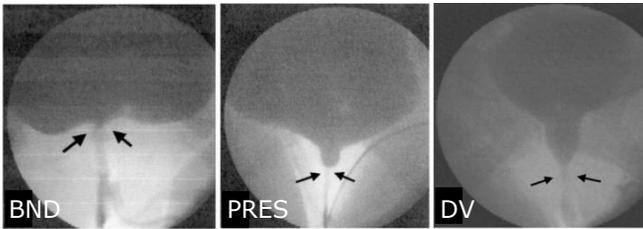
Aims of study

- Urodynamic study (UDS) has been controversial with regard to its value in interstitial cystitis/bladder pain syndrome (IC/BPS).
- There is a paucity of current literature evaluating the role of UDS in IC/BPS.
- Videourodynamic study (VUDS) possesses the ability to assess function and morphology of the lower urinary tract by measuring various aspects of urine storage and evacuation.
- We reported the VUDS findings in IC/BPS patients and the association with clinical characteristics.

Materials and Methods

- IC/BPS patients with complete data of a symptom assessment, VUDS, potassium sensitivity test (PST) and cystoscopic hydrodistension were reviewed retrospectively.
- The VUDS was set up in accordance with the recommendations of the International Continence Society using C-arm fluoroscopy during the filling and voiding phases.
- Diagnoses of bladder dysfunction and bladder outlet dysfunction (BOD) including dysfunctional voiding (DV), poor relaxation of external urethral sphincter (PRES) and bladder neck dysfunction (BND) were made according to the criteria suggested in our previous publications [1,2].

1. Urology, 2007 Aug;70(2):272-6.
2. Urology, 2005 Nov;66(5):1005-9.



- The distribution of the different VUDS diagnoses in IC/BPS patients were determined.
- The clinical and UDS parameters between normal and abnormal VUDS diagnoses were analyzed.

Results

- A total of 414 IC/BPS patients (66 men and 348 women; mean age, 48.8±13.5) were enrolled in this study.
- Among them, 26 had ulcer type IC/BPS and 381 had non-ulcer type IC/BPS.
- Bladder dysfunction (hypersensitive bladder, HSB) were found in 364 (87.9%) patients and BOD in 244 (58.9%).
- The causes of BOD included DV in 42 (10.1%), PRES in 193 (46.5%), BND in 9 (2.1%).
- HSB was more prevalent in IC/BPS patients with a positive PST, with smaller volume of cystoscopic maximal bladder capacity (MBC), and with higher grade of glomerulations (Table 1).
- IC/BPS patients with DV had smaller volumes at first sensation of filling, first desire to void (FD), strong desire to void, cystometric bladder capacity, voided volume, lower maximum flow rate (Q_{max}), higher detrusor pressure at Q_{max} (P_{det}) and larger volume at postvoid residual (PVR) than those with normal tracing (Table 2).
- Patients with PRES also had lower volumes at SD and voided volume, higher P_{det}, lower Q_{max}, larger PVR than those with normal tracing.
- BND was more prevalent in male than in female patients. Detrusor overactivity (DO) was more prevalent in patients with DV or BND than those with normal tracing (Table 2).

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Table 1. Comparison of clinical and urodynamic parameters between normal and hypersensitive bladder (HSB) in IC/BPS patients.

| Parameters | Normal (n=50) | HSB (n=364) | P value |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|---------|
| Age (years) | 48.5±13.1 | 48.9±13.6 | 0.845 |
| Gender (M) | 9 (18.0%) | 57 (15.7%) | 0.672 |
| (F) | 41 (82.0%) | 307 (84.3%) | |
| Duration (years) | 3.3±2.8 | 4.7±5.1 | 0.055 |
| ICSI | 12.6±4.4 | 12.1±3.9 | 0.478 |
| ICPI | 11.3±3.6 | 11.3±3.6 | 0.998 |
| Pain VAS | 5.2±2.3 | 4.7±2.7 | 0.330 |
| FSF (mL) | 167.4±62.5 | 115.1±50.3 | 0.000* |
| FD (mL) | 262.8±74.2 | 179.1±67.0 | 0.000* |
| SD (mL) | 325.7±79.5 | 219.3±77.5 | 0.000* |
| CBC (mL) | 330.8±83.4 | 217.8±80.6 | 0.000* |
| P _{det} (cmH ₂ O) | 19.5±8.7 | 22.8±14.4 | 0.125 |
| Q _{max} (mL/s) | 18.5±7.4 | 12.0±5.8 | 0.000* |
| Volume (mL) | 436.5±113.7 | 234.6±94.8 | 0.000* |
| PVR (mL) | 30.4±73.8 | 31.0±67.8 | 0.951 |
| Capacity (mL) | 468.1±78.1 | 266.3±95.6 | 0.000* |
| DO (+) | 2 (4.0%) | 38 (10.4%) | 0.148 |
| PST (+) | 35 (70.0%) | 312 (85.7%) | 0.002* |
| MBC (ml) | 801.0±157.6 | 619.7±188.7 | 0.000* |
| Glomerulation | 1.2±0.6 | 1.8±0.9 | 0.000* |
| Ulcer (+) | 0 (0%) | 26 (7.1%) | 0.054 |

*p<0.05 when compared between groups.

Table 2. Comparison of clinical and urodynamic parameters between normal tracing and different causes of bladder outlet dysfunction in IC/BPS patients.

| Parameters | Normal(n=170) | DV (n=42) | PRES(n=193) | BND(n=9) | P Value* |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|----------|
| Age (years) | 48.6±13.7 | 49.0±13.1 | 49.3±13.5 | 42.7±14.2 | 0.547 |
| Gender (M) | 31 (18.2%) | 2 (4.8%) | 25 (13.0%) | 8 (87.5%)* | 0.000* |
| (F) | 139 (81.8%) | 40 (95.2%) | 168 (87.0%) | 1 (12.5%)* | |
| Duration (years) | 3.8±3.9 | 3.8±4.1 | 5.4±5.8* | 2.1±1.2 | 0.005* |
| ICSI | 11.9±4.0 | 11.8±4.3 | 12.4±3.8 | 12.3±5.1 | 0.700 |
| ICPI | 11.3±3.6 | 10.6±4.3 | 11.3±3.5 | 12.0±3.4 | 0.780 |
| VAS | 4.6±2.5 | 4.9±3.4 | 4.8±2.6 | 5.8±3.9 | 0.681 |
| FSF (mL) | 126.8±59.6 | 103.6±50.9* | 121.0±50.5 | 111.9±46.5 | 0.098 |
| FD (mL) | 200.3±79.2 | 165.8±76.5* | 184.6±65.4* | 190.1±66.5 | 0.030* |
| SD (mL) | 245.2±90.6 | 197.7±77.5* | 230.9±80.7 | 215.0±84.7 | 0.029* |
| CBC (mL) | 244.9±93.9 | 188.6±83.2* | 230.2±82.6 | 206.6±88.4 | 0.002* |
| P _{det} (cmH ₂ O) | 20.5±8.9 | 45.6±16.9* | 17.7±9.7* | 43.3±22.3* | 0.000* |
| Q _{max} (mL/s) | 16.0±5.7 | 9.4±5.9* | 10.8±5.9* | 9.8±3.9* | 0.000* |
| Volume (mL) | 300.8±115.5 | 201.4±102.8* | 235.3±112.1* | 240.8±100.1 | 0.000* |
| PVR (mL) | 15.1±32.5 | 44.2±66.1* | 42.1±88.5* | 33.3±48.5 | 0.001* |
| Capacity (mL) | 316.8±116.4 | 256.9±100.4* | 276.0±112.8* | 274.1±93.5 | 0.001* |
| DO (+) | 15 (8.8%) | 14 (33.3%)* | 8 (4.1%) | 3 (33.3%)* | 0.000* |
| PST (+) | 142 (86.6%) | 36 (87.8%) | 166 (88.8%) | 3 (42.9%)* | 0.006* |
| MBC (mL) | 660.9±213.3 | 642.4±200.9 | 624.1±171.8 | 633.3±230.5 | 0.281 |
| Glomerulation | 1.7±0.8 | 1.6±1.0 | 1.8±0.9 | 1.4±0.9 | 0.365 |
| Ulcer (+) | 12 (7.2%) | 4 (9.8%) | 10 (5.3%) | 0 (0.0%) | 0.578 |

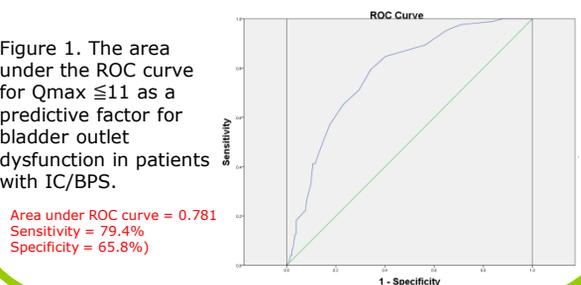
*p < 0.05 when compared with normal group. # p < 0.05 when compared between groups.

- Pooling all the patients with BOD together, univariate logistic regression analysis revealed a significant positive correlation of disease duration and negative correlations of urodynamic volume parameters with BOD presented in IC/BPS patients (Table 3).
- Multivariate logistic regression analysis found a cut-off value of Q_{max} ≤ 11 ml/s predicts BOD in IC/BPS patients with an area under ROC curve of 0.78 (sensitivity = 79.4%, specificity = 65.8%) (Figure 1).

Table 3. Univariate and multivariate logistic regression analyses of parameters significantly associated with bladder outlet dysfunction (BOD) in IC/BPS patients.

| Parameters | Normal (n=170) | BOD (n=244) | Univariate OR (95% CI) | p | Multivariate OR (95% CI) | p |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|------------------------|-------|--------------------------|-------|
| Duration (years) | 3.8±3.9 | 5.0±5.5 | 1.057 (1.011-1.105) | 0.015 | 1.048 (0.993-1.106) | 0.086 |
| FD (mL) | 200.3±79.2 | 181.6±67.6 | 0.996 (0.994-0.999) | 0.011 | 0.998 (0.990-1.005) | 0.559 |
| SD (mL) | 245.2±90.6 | 224.7±80.9 | 0.997 (0.995-1.000) | 0.029 | 1.002 (0.992-1.011) | 0.719 |
| CBC (mL) | 244.9±93.9 | 222.1±84.1 | 0.997 (0.995-0.999) | 0.011 | 1.002 (0.994-1.010) | 0.645 |
| P _{det} (cmH ₂ O) | 20.5±8.9 | 23.7±16.5 | 1.018 (1.002-1.034) | 0.025 | 1.004 (0.984-1.024) | 0.681 |
| Q _{max} (mL/s) | 16.0±5.7 | 10.5±5.8 | 0.840 (0.804-0.878) | 0.000 | 0.864 (0.818-0.912) | 0.000 |
| Volume (mL) | 300.8±115.5 | 229.6±110.5 | 0.994 (0.992-0.996) | 0.000 | 0.995 (0.978-1.012) | 0.549 |
| PVR (mL) | 15.1±32.5 | 42.2±63.6 | 1.011 (1.005-1.016) | 0.000 | 1.001 (0.983-1.019) | 0.929 |
| Capacity (mL) | 316.8±116.4 | 272.6±110.0 | 0.997 (0.995-0.998) | 0.000 | 1.002 (0.985-1.020) | 0.818 |
| MBC ≤ 600 mL | 72 (43.4%) | 125 (52.7%) | | | | 0.731 |
| 601-800 mL | 56 (33.7%) | 81 (34.2%) | 0.833 (0.533-1.303) | 0.424 | 1.252 (0.709-2.214) | 0.439 |
| ≥ 801 mL | 38 (22.9%) | 31 (13.1%) | 0.470 (0.269-0.819) | 0.008 | 1.196 (0.542-2.640) | 0.657 |

Figure 1. The area under the ROC curve for Q_{max} ≤ 11 as a predictive factor for bladder outlet dysfunction in patients with IC/BPS.



Conclusions

- Hypersensitive bladder and bladder outlet dysfunction are common findings of VUDS performed in IC/BPS patients.
- BOD is associated with duration and hypersensitive bladder.
- A Q_{max} ≤ 11 ml/s predicts BOD in IC/BPS.