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Conclusion: Medical student ETI proficiency was related to cumulative clinical procedural experience in this study. A viable strategy might be presented by clinical experience to foster medical student procedural skills.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Emergency airway management is an essential and crucial element of resuscitation of critically ill patients [1]. The success rates of prehospital endotracheal intubation vary from 69% to 98.4%. There are several categories into which factors contribute to this differentiability in success [2]. These categories include paramedic experience, system factors, and patient factors. A constant challenge has been experienced by paramedics to obtain appropriate exposure to opportunities for performing this critical process as well as balancing this cognitive skills and demanding guidelines [3-5]. The invasive procedure is considered for airway management that allows futuristic appropriate and sufficient administration of medical

gases to susceptible patients who are incompetent for carrying out appropriate ventilation throughout different medical or surgical processes [4]. Intubation is one part of airway management, which is considered a lifesaving procedure in several cases [5, 6].

Endotracheal intubation (ETI) has a 30% failure rate in pre-hospital settings by non-physicians in extreme conditions [7]. There are some limitations to use ETI in prehospital settings, even though EETI is a lifesaving and important procedure to secure the airway. Therefore, appropriate guidelines of ETI indicate that it should be performed by skillful, current, and expert personnel such as paramedics or practitioners [8]. In contrast, such personnel lack due to financial crisis in most of the emergency settings, specifically in rural and suburban areas [9]. Also, ETI has been done by gag reflexes, laryngeal spasm, and paralyzing the patient for preventing the head movement. Drug usage is prohibited for Emergency Medical Technician Intermediate, controversial for paramedics, and emergency medical technician basic [10]. Continual and multiple intubation efforts are related majorly with respiratory issues as the intubation failure rate is comparatively high. Also, intubation is a technically difficult procedure and time-consuming procedure, which makes it unrealistic in some conditions, which include trauma patients suffering from bleeding [11].

There is a lack of evidence regarding the requirement of ETI training experts for achieving adequately high success rates with advanced airway management [12]. A median number of total ETIs per student of seven is described from the complete survey of paramedic training programs with suggestions that approximately 25 ETIs are required for achieving an overall ETI success rate of 90% [13]. Several intermediate airway management techniques include placement of oral or nasal airway devices and bag-mask ventilation used by Emergency Medical Technicians [14]. The placement of oropharyngeal airways such as King LT tube, Laryngeal Mask Airway, and Combitube is involved for the most advanced airway management techniques. These airways are reserved for the advanced level of prehospital providers such as physicians or paramedics [4]. Also, airway rescue device placement, cricothyroidotomy, capnography, and endotracheal intubation remain the responsibility of either physicians or paramedics with advanced airway training [9]. Recently, progressions in the refinement of

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oropharyngeal and video-assisted laryngoscopy (VAL) have shown the potential to add or change to the conventional approach of prehospital airway management [11].

It is crucial to continue the process of evaluation and refinement of learning outcomes for the students taught airway courses during the successive years to adopt new strategic plans for better student learning outcomes. The role of intubation is practiced in most respectful universities for many medical students especially the paramedic and anesthesia students through controlled anesthesia simulation labs provided by highly computerized manikins that can sense even a small fraction of error in intubation procedures. In this regard, the study aims to evaluate the learning outcomes of various types of intubation for paramedic and anesthesia students before and after studying two courses of airway management in the department of clinical technology. The study is significant in the context of Saudi Arabia, where there lacks evidence regarding the association between the level of both education of students and their training about intubation with the clinical patient outcomes of care.

II. MATERIAL AND METHODS

The study had used National Registry Checklist for evaluating the student performance before and after the teaching of two Airway Management Courses where students had practical sessions and lectures with laboratory simulations and video demonstrations for all types of intubation over a minimum of two semesters (30 weeks). An evaluation form is developed for measuring the four domains of learning, which include (1) intention and attitude toward helping students; (2) psychomotor skills obtained for managing airways compromise; (3) effective communication with self, patients, and all the health team members; and (4) knowledge about anatomy, diagnosis, physiology, and management of airways compromise. The study has collected data from the paramedic and anesthesia technology students' pre and post airways management courses (n = 128). The study has measured knowledge, attitude, skills, and effective communication for all students before and after the two courses in the class.

An unblended observer records the following outcomes (1) overall intubation success rate; (2) number of intubation attempts; (3) modified Cormack-Lehane score; (4) intubation time; (5) frequency of esophageal intubation; (6) mucosal trauma; (7) lip or dental injury; and (8) desaturation (SpO2 <95%).

a) Procedures

Intubation using Glide Scope video laryngoscopes can be simplified when applying the following points:

1. Successful oral endotracheal tube (ETT) placement always requires some form of a stylet, such as the

Glide Rite Rigid Stylet (Verathon)—a reusable rigid stylet—or the Satin-Slip (Mallinckrodt) disposable intubating stylet. Otherwise, the ETT is floppy and very hard to direct through the vocal cords. A stylet is not used for nasal intubation.

2. The primary limitation in using the Glide Scope is not in getting a good view of the glottis, but rather in manipulating the ETT through the vocal cords. This is because the ETT tip often tends to hit against the anterior tracheal wall. When this happens, it is often helpful to retract the stylet by 3 to 5 cm, as this often advances the ETT into a more favorable position. Sometimes, even when the stylet is removed completely, the ETT still abuts against the anterior tracheal wall; in these cases, the ETT should be twisted by 180 degrees.

When initially placing the Glide Scope video laryngoscope blade or the ETT, learners should first look into the patient's mouth and not at the monitor to prevent injury to any oropharyngeal structures.

b) Statistical Analysis

The baseline characteristics are presented using descriptive statistics. Categorical data are expressed as counts, whereas continuous variables are given as mean ± standard deviations. The general linear model analysis of variances (ANOVA) is used to compare the means of different domains. All calculations were performed using the IBM SPSS software for Windows, version 20.

III. RESULTS

Table 1 presents a descriptive analysis for department and evaluation. The findings have shown that a total of 65 students belong to the anesthesia department (50.8%), whereas 63 students belong to the EMS department (49.2%). Also, a total of 67 students were evaluated for post-course, and 61 students were evaluated for pre-course knowledge.

Table 1: Descriptive Analysis for Department and Evaluation

Department	Frequency	Percent
EMS	63	49.2
Anesthesia	65	50.8
Total	128	100.0
Evaluation	Frequency	Percent
Pre	61	47.7
Post	67	52.3
Total	128	100.0

The statistical difference for domains in the EMS department is presented in Table 2 using the ANOVA test. The findings have shown a significant mean difference for all domain's knowledge among students in the EMS department. Psychomotor skills were the most important domain among students in the EMS department, followed by airway compromise knowledge, intention or attitude, and effective communication.

Table 2: ANOVA Test for Different Domains in EMS Department

Domain Name	Evaluation Pre or Post	Number of cases	Mean	P- value
Intention /attitude	Pre	31	.0758	.000
	Post	32	.3491	
Communication Knowledge	Pre	31	.1285	.000
	Post	32	.3029	
P Skills	Pre	31	.1566	.000
	Post	32	.3544	
Effective Communication	Pre	31	.0387	.000
	Post	32	.3333	

The statistical difference for domains in the Anesthesia department is presented in Table 2 using the ANOVA test. The findings have shown a significant mean difference for all domain's knowledge among students in the Anesthesia department. Compromise

knowledge were the most important domain among students in the Anesthesia department, followed by psychomotor skills effective communication, and intention or attitude.

Table 3: ANOVA Test for Different Domains in Anesthesia Department

Domain Name	Evaluation Pre or Post	Number of cases	Mean	P- value
Intention /attitude	Pre	30	.0181	.000
	Post	35	.5014	
Compromise Knowledge	Pre	30	.0941	.000
	Post	35	.3170	
Psychomotor Skills	Pre	30	.0688	.000
	Post	35	.3804	
Effective Communication	Pre	30	.0647	.000
	Post	35	.4493	

IV. DISCUSSION

The study has evaluated the learning outcomes of various types of intubation for paramedic and anesthesia students before and after studying two courses of airway management in the department of clinical technology. Psychomotor skills were the most important domain among students in EMS department, followed by airway compromise knowledge, intention or attitude, and effective communication. On the contrary, compromise knowledge was the most important domain among students in the Anesthesia department, followed by psychomotor skills effective communication, and intention or attitude. The deliberate practice model of Ericsson offers a theoretical framework to understand the ETI skill utilization in this study. Repetition alone might not lead to an expert or superior skill levels, whereas experience might enhance performance in an activity. It has been argued that students practicing deliberate practice must be involved in intense goal-directed learning for achieving higher levels of proficiency [15, 16]. The student must pursue learning activities for correcting limitations and enhancing performance and must be merged with immediate correction, remediation, repetition, and feedback. Students must perform tasks outside their existing areas of authentic performance to involve in deliberate practice.

This study has illustrated that students must perform tasks outside their current areas to depict the

utilization of fundamental ETI skills by novice medical students regardless of previous specialized airway management skills. Additional specialized goal-directed learning must be achieved by an expert-level ETI beyond the scope of the fundamental anesthesia curriculum [17]. In this study, the complementary using of human-simulator training might have contributed to use ETI skills. It has been argued that ETI proficiency must be obtained by paramedic students using human simulator or training based regardless of the live operating room. Simulated ETI training is included by previous studies before clinical experience [17, 18]. Intensive teaching without any distractions of current clinical care is facilitated by simulator/mannequin-based training theoretically to allow for isolated or concentration elements of a skill or process. However, the design of this study did not allow assessment of the interactive or independent influence of simulation upon clinical ETI performance.

This study cannot assess the safety of student ETI efforts in the operating room, but it is assumed that the courses were relevant, considering the culture and guidelines of the institution. For instance, the institution has a strict policy to attend anesthesiologist during ETI and anesthesia induction. The majority of student ETIs occurred on patients rated Mallampati class I or II, which indicated that easier cases were intubated preferentially by students. Also, only one medical student laryngoscopy attempt was involved in mostly patient experiences, which signaled the potential limitation of

student ETI efforts. It has been believed that early medical student exposure to ETI training is authentic until the experience is adequately supervised. Without adequate supervisory culture or resources, institutions might not be able to achieve the same balance between patient safety and education.

a) *Limitations*

The study was unable to adjust or quantify for prior airway experience. Self-reporting bias might have resulted in over-reporting of student ETI success while supervising anesthesiology staff confirmed all logbook entries. Students in this study might have differently performed easier intubations. In addition, there was a wide variation in the number of ETI chances provided to each student. Other airway management procedures were not evaluated, such as laryngeal mask airway insertion, or bag-valve-mask ventilation. There was no information regarding the attributes of instructors or students. The study has not controlled for patient selection, education, or ETI techniques used and other aspects of clinical care. Similarly, the study has not controlled for differences in instructional technique or instructor, and changes in clinical skill over time.

Performance might have differed with longer or additional clerkship experience. This study has only evaluated psychomotor skills and knowledge-related abilities, which do not allow to evaluate decision-making skills. Intubation performance by medical students should be depicted under supervised and controlled operating room conditions, and cannot be examined outside of this clinical practice setting. Skill utilization might have been influenced by other factors. For instance, the learning process might be influenced by the quality and nature of instructor-trainee interaction. Students might be motivated to pursue critical care-oriented fields for learning ETI, achieving higher rates of early ETI success, and performing a larger number of ETIs.

V. CONCLUSION

The learning curve for prehospital ETI success rates explains an increase in the odds of successful ETI with each cumulative training exposure to ETI in a paramedic training program with significant clinical opportunities and resources. High numbers of previously performed ETIs might be required for first-pass placement of the ETT that may surpass the number available in training programs. Medical student ETI proficiency was related to cumulative clinical procedural experience in this study. A viable strategy might be presented by clinical experience to foster medical student procedural skills.

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I. INTRODUCTION

This Homoeopathic Repertory is a guide to the pile of symptoms of diverse drugs, and the numerous symptoms can be accurately detected according to the requirement. It adds on nothing, also changes nothing, but provide merely as a guide to the profusion. we all are using one Repertory in every case before prescribing. The majority of us use only our mental Repertory, which is naturally slender because of the limited capacity of the Human brain.

Disparate repertoires have evolved over the course of time, and the layout has changed in many of them. Besides the nature and utility of the repertoires depends on the quality of the symptoms included in them. This concept of evolution of repertoires on the anatomical basis gave to the “Regional Repertoires.”

In the section on anatomical regions, under the heading “Eyeball (including conjunctiva bulbi),” we find “Tubercles (warts)” with fifteen remedies attached. We are baffled to know if these remedies have caused or cured tubercles.

II. SUMMARY

In this second edition of Dr. Berridge’s Repertory contains the symptoms about the eye. It is meant to be used, notably in the treatment of ophthalmic diseases. It contains all the ophthalmic symptoms which occur in the proving of 1171 remedies, arranged under different headings, somewhat after the manner of Dr. Boenninghausen.

The preface states that a perfect Repertory should contain every symptom of the Materia medica under every rubric where it can be looked for, and the book is compiled in accordance with that idea. To effect this, he has divided each chapter of this Repertory into two Sections:

1. The Symptoms themselves and
2. Their Conditions, (including Concomitants).

The Conditions including the Concomitants are arranged in 23 groups as follows:

(1) Time, (2) Situation, stages and External effect, (3) Posture, (4) Touch, (5) Motion, (6) Head (along with Mental Symptoms), (7) Eyes, (8) Ears, (9) Nose, (10) Face & Front of Neck, (11) Teeth, (12) Mouth as well as Throat, (13) Abdomen (along with Stomach, Anus, including all Functional Symptoms thereof, (14) Urinary Organs, (15) Sexual Organs, (16) Chest and Larynx, (17) Back and Nape of Neck, (18) Arms, (19) Legs, (20) Sleep, (21) Fever, (Chills, Sweat, and Heat), (22) Generalities (together with Convulsions, Skin, Bones, Other Drugs, & c.)

Clinical cases are decisive for determining concomitants as it is often challenging or impossible to determine from the proving alone what symptoms are actually connected among each other.

He was in the support of application of the doctrine of analogy for selection of remedy as materia medica of his time was inadequate.

As per Dr. E. W. Berridge, if we wish to obtain maximum benefit from Homoeopathy, then we can only do so by following the three great rules of the Master as follows careful selection of Similimum, Single remedy, and Minimum dose.

III. GRADATION OF RUBRICS

a) 5 Grades

- 1st Grade: Italic Capitals
- 2nd Grade: Plain Capitals
- 3rd Grade: Italics
- 4th Grade: Roman Letters
- 5th Grade: Roman(Bracketed)–Doubt Full Symptoms

b) Sources

- C. Hering’s Materia Medica
- Symptoms from later proving.
- Cases of poisoning reported in allopathic journals.

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IV. ABBREVIATIONS

The author has used consistent and scientific practice of cyphering of his time. But, it is cast away by scientific nomenclature.

Cyphers of the elements and simple haloid salts are the same as their chemical symbols	Na. = sodium. S. = sulphur
The -ate salts are cyphered by adding -a	Na-sa. = sulphate of sodium.
Ite salts are cyphered by adding -l	Na-si. = sulphite of sodium.
Ic acids are cyphered by adding -x	S-x = sulphuric acid.
Ous acids are cyphered by adding -ix.	S-ix = sulphurous acid
Hydracids cypher by adding -hx to radical	S-hx = sulphydric acid
Ide salts are cyphered by adding -S	Na-s = sulphide of sodium

In the medicines obtained from the Animal as well as Vegetable kingdoms, each genus is customarily revealed by a divergent cypher and by that only.

V. THE CHAPTERS AS FOLLOWS

Table 1

Section I: Symptoms (PP. 1-99)
<i>Further divided into 5 subsections:</i>
IA: Functional Symptoms (PP. 1-14)
IB: Anatomical regions (PP. 14-58)
IC: General character, sequence & directions (PP. 59-74)
ID: Right side (PP. 74-86)
IE: Left side. (PP. 86-99)
Section II: Conditions (Including Concomitants) (PP. 100-312)
<i>Further divided into 2 subsections:</i>
II A: Aggravations (PP. 100-289)
II B: Ameliorations (PP. 290-312)

To explain this Repertory use, Dr. E. W. Berridge mentioned the following cases from his practice:

Case 1

Aug 9, 1871. At 2 pm a child put his finger into his mother's left eye, scratching the upper part of eye ball; smarting in the eye followed with heat, redness and hot lachrymation followed; "cannot open the eye

because of pain." Cold water application relieves the pain and watering; the light of day increases the watering.

Remedy Diagnosis

As the symptoms arose from a mechanical cause, the author did not consider the locality (left eye) as a characteristic of the case.

Table 2

Page No.	Rubric	Medicine
290	Relief from Cold-Heat	Al-o, Amm-cl (thu).
	Relief from Cold-Lachrymation	Al-o.
	Relief from Cold-Smarting	Al-o, N-x.
293	Relief from Washing-Heat	Al-o, Amm-cl, asr, k-na (thu)
	Relief from Washing-Lachrymation	Al-o,Asr. Mg-ca.
	Relief from Washing-Smarting	Al-o, Na-ca
175	Worse from Natural Light-Lachrymation	Al-o, Bry, dig, Dl-s, Dt, Eug.Grp, K-bicra, Kre, Lyc, Mg-cl, Qu-sa, S-x. (Str-i), Vr-s, Zn.

Thus *Alumina* alone corresponds to all these symptoms and it was found also to have.

Table 3

Page No.	Symptoms
16	Redness of eyes
47	Difficulty opening if eyelids
24	Hot Lachrymation

He gave a single dose of *Alumina* CM. in fifteen minutes all the symptoms were gone, except a little stiffness.

Case 2

On nov. 6th, three weeks ago when blowing her nose, she felt as if something broke in the right eye, which watered much. Since then, at times, when blowing the nose, has had a feeling as if a tight skin came halfway down over right eye, preventing the sight of that eye; removed by rubbing. After it has gone feeling as if something were pricking the eye; eye waters. On the last two occasions, this sensation came on without blowing the nose.

Selection of Remedy

Table 3

Page No.	Rubric	Medicine
209	By blowing nose. Sight impaired	K-o.
	By blowing nose. Pellicle.	K-o.

As *Kali Oxidum (Causticum)* was the only medicine which possessed these most characteristic symptoms, and, moreover correspond to the remaining symptoms as a reference to the repertory, So he gave one dose of *Causticum* 6 m. (Jenichen).

Dec. 11th Reports that the symptoms ceased at once and did not return.

VI. CONCLUSION

Complete repertory to the homeopathic materia medica disease of the eye is one of the useful repertories, in this repertory use perfectly anatomical parts of the eye and a several rubrics are given which help in the selection of remedy. In this repertory given a large number of medicine for supporting the practitioner.

There are also some Limitations:

- Drugs are less in numbers.
- Drugs Grading has not been done.
- The abbreviations are different from the regular using repertories.

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Conclusion: This study showed that some anomalies detected in PGR patients had shown correlations clinical characteristics of the patients. But, some of them are newly found and need to be investigated. Turner syndrome with various forms of chromosomal complement is the most common chromosomal abnormality causing growth failure in girls: This information could contribute to an understanding of the role of chromosomal changes in PGR.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Growth retardation can be defined as the failure of the child to show growth appropriate to his or her age and gender. For normal growth, the growth factors and genetic structure of the individual must be healthy. Generally, growth before birth is closely related to the environment in which the baby lives, that is to say, the mother's health, nutrition, and disease. Postnatal growth after intrauterine growth retardation (IUGR) depends on the cause of growth retardation,

postnatal nutritional intake, and social environment. IUGR affects 3-10% of pregnancies; 20% of stillborn infants have IUGR. Perinatal mortality rates are 4-8 times higher for growth-retarded infants, and morbidity is present in 50% of surviving infants. There is a strong association between IUGR, CAs, and congenital malformations. It is thought that an abnormal fetal karyotype is responsible for approximately 20% of all IUGR fetuses, and the percentage is substantially higher if growth failure is detected before 26 weeks' gestation (1). Fetuses with chromosome disorders are frequently growth restricted (the common trisomies of chromosomes 13, 18 and 21), and suboptimal growth is also reported for many autosomal abnormalities such as duplications, deletions and ring chromosomes. Furthermore triploidy with unbalanced chromosome translocations and deletions are also common genetic events (2-4). In a recent study, CAs was found in 15,0% of the children with postnatal growth retardation (5). The present study was also aimed to detect various CAs in Turkish population using conventional cytogenetic analysis in children with postnatal growth retardation.

II. MATERIALS AND METHODS

We present the cases with postnatal growth retardation, developmental delay, and other anomalies with growth retardation; unable to walk, to not speak, unable to sit, incontinence, eating difficulties, handles short, epilepsy, mental retardation, cerebral atrophy, dysmorphism, goiter, turners, and amenorrhea. This is a prospective observational study of patients who were newly diagnosed with PGR and presenting to the Pediatric Clinic, Faculty of Medicine, Çukurova University, The initial diagnosis of PGR as made by the referring clinical pediatric, based on the available clinical details. Turkey. A total of 362 patients (183 males and 179 females), with a median age of 6,3 years (range 1 monthly-18 years), and the sex ratio (male/female) 1,02 were referred to our genetics laboratory. Cytogenetic analysis was performed using a conventional G banding technique. Cytogenetic analysis of blood samples was performed in the Cytogenetics Laboratory, at the Department of Medical Biology and Genetics, Faculty of Medicine, Çukurova University. Karyotypes were documented according to the International System for Cytogenetic Nomenclature (ISCN) recommendations (6). At least 20 metaphases were karyotyped.

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III. RESULTS

Cytogenetics was performed in 362 patients diagnosed with PGR. The male-female ratio was 1,02, and the median age at diagnosis was 6,3 years. The incidence of abnormal karyotype was higher in females (n=20, 69,0%) than that of males (n=9, 31,0%) (The female-male ratio=2,2). Here we report only on the identified cytogenetic anomalies. Out of 362 patients, 29 (8,0%) were found to have abnormal karyotype and the rest of 333 (92,0%) were normal. The CAs were shown in Table 1.

The structural aberrations (translocations, deletions, inversions, isochromosome and fragilities) and numerical aberrations were 5,0% and 3,0%,

respectively. Especially, translocations are the most common karyotype (1,4% and 5 cases) among the patients, followed by t(6;11) (q25;q23); t(16;19) (q24;p11); t(5;12) (q34;p12); t(8;7) and robt(14;21). The ratio of inversions in all CAs was 1,1% (4 cases) [inv(14) (q13;q24); inv(9) (p12;q21); inv(9) (p12;q21); inv(9) (p11;q13)]. The deletions were present in approximately 0,6% of children [(del(5p13); del(18) (p13)]. Isochromosomes were present in 2 (0,6%) patients [Xi(Xq); 45, X/46, Xi(Xp)]. The ratio of fragilities were 0,8% of all patients [fra (8p23); fra (5q24); fra(13q32)]. Among numerical CAs, 11 patients (3,0%) had aneuploidies (XX,+21; XY,+21; XX,+21; 46,XX/47, XX+21; +mar; 45,X; 45,X; 45,X; 45,X; 45,X; 45,X/46,XX). (Table 1).

Table 1: Characteristics of the patients and the results of karyotypes

Sex/Age	Karyotypes	No. of cases	Frequency in all cases (%)
	Normal	333	92
	Abnormal	29	8
	General Total	362	
	ABNORMALITIES		
	Structural chromosome abnormalities		
	Deletions		
F/1 F/13	46,XX, del(5p13) 46,XX/ del(18)(p13)		
	Total	2	0,6
	Translocations		
F/2 F/6 M/9 F/13 M/15	46,XX,t(6;11)(q25;q23) 46,XX,t(16;19)(q24.1;p11) 46,XY,t(5;12)(q34;p12) 46,XX,t(8;7)(?) 45,XY,robt(14;21)		
	Total	5	1,4
	Inversions		
F/11 M/7 M/13 M/5	46,XX,inv(14)(q13;q24) 46,XY,inv(9)(p12;q21) 46,XY,inv(9)(p12;q21) 46,XY,inv(9)(p11;q13)		
	Total	4	1,1
	isochromosome		
F/1 F/18	46,Xi(Xq) 45,X/46,Xi(Xp)		
		2	0,6
	Fragilities		
M/3 M/6 M/13	46,XY, fra (8p23),(15%) 46,XY, fra (5q24)(20%) 46,XY, fra(13q32)(17%)		
	Total	3	0,8
	General total	18	5,0
	Numerical chromosome abnormalities		
F/1 M/4 monthly F/1 monthly F/5 monthly F/4	47,XX, +21 47,XY, +21 47,XX, +21 46,XX/47,XX+21 47,XX, +mar 45,X 45,X 45,X		

F/9	45,X		
F/14	45,X		
F/15	45,X/46,XX(20%)		
F/11			
F/7			
F/10			
	Total	11	3,0
	General total	11	3,0

IV. DISCUSSION

CAs are among the common factors that adversely affect both fetal and postnatal growth. A large variety of chromosomal abnormalities are associated with GR. These CAs can affect a variety of autosomes as well as the sex chromosomes. Some of the known genetic associations of intrauterine growth restriction are placental genes, maternal and fetal genes. These genes the causes phenotypic changes, many of which are important for growth and development. In a recent study, the total incidence of cytogenetic anomalies in patients with growth retardation was reported to be 15,0% (5). In the present study, the total frequency of CAs was found at 8,0%. This ratio is important that we found. These CAs were the structural aberrations (translocations, deletions, inversions, isochromosome and fragilities) and numerical aberrations were 5,0% and 3,0%, respectively.

A large variety of CAs is associated with endocrine disorders. These CAs can affect a variety of autosomes as well as the sex chromosomes. Intrauterine growth restriction (IUGR) is defined as fetal growth less than the normal growth potential of a specific infant because of genetic or environmental factors. Genetic causes can contribute to 5-20 % of IUGR, especially for early-onset growth-restricted fetuses, and include various abnormalities, such as CAs, e.g., trisomy 21, 18, 13, and 16 (7,8). A search of the London Dysmorphology Database at <http://www.hgmp.mrc.ac.uk/DHMHD/view.html> identifies a series of partial chromosome deletions or duplications that are associated with short stature and pituitary abnormalities. These include the following deletions: del(4)pter-p16, del(7)q32-qter, del(13)q22-qter, del(14)q22-q23, del(18)p, del(18)q21-qter, del(22)pter-q11 and duplications: dup(1)q25-q32, dup(9)p, dup(9)pter-q22 and dup(11)q23-qter. Trisomy 16 is known to be a lethal chromosomal abnormality in the nonmosaic state; however, in the presence of placenta mosaicism, trisomy 16 can result in IUGR.

In the present study, we found a higher rate (5,0%) of structural CAs. These ratios of structural CAs were translocations (1,4%), inversions (1,1%), fragilities (0,8%), deletions (0,6%) and isochromosomes (0,6%), respectively. The translocations in all metaphases were found in 5 cases (1,4%). These translocations were found in specific regions of chromosomes t(6;11) (q25;q23); t(16;19) (q24.1;p11); t(5;12) (q34;p12); t(8;7)

(?); robt(14;21) (Table 1). Phenotype-specific reciprocal translocations are the most biologically and clinically significant karyotypic changes in PGR. In the present study, the four translocations [t(6;11) (q25;q23); t(16;19) (q24.1;p11); t(5;12) (q34;p12); t(8;7) (?)], we found are new structural formations that are not found in other studies. Therefore, these structural formations may be important new findings in the development of growth retardation.

The most commonly reported manifestations of 16q deletions are severe growth and developmental disorders and anomalies of the craniofacial, visceral, and musculoskeletal systems. We found one translocation instead of adeletion at 16q. This translocation was between t(16;19) (q24.1;p11) chromosome regions in one patient. Here, the break in the 16q24.1 region, the broken part does not disappear, and adherence to the 19 chromosomes may show phenotypic effect similar to the 16q deletion. Thus, only one of these deletions, 16q22.1; q24.1, (9) encompasses our patient's deletion. While not reported in patients with an isolated 16q deletion.

Autosomal abnormalities, including the deletion of chromosomes 4 (Wolf-Hirschhorn syndrome), 5 (Cri du chat syndrome), 13, 18, and ring chromosome structural alterations, have all been associated with IUGR (8, 10). Indeed, we detected a patient with a Cri-du-chat syndrome among our patients. However, del (18) (p13) was found in our patient for the first time. Indeed, the growth hormone deficiency has been described with 18p- and 20p chromosomal deletions (11,12). Therefore, this deletion may be important new findings in the development of growth retardation.

In the present study, pericentric inversion on the chromosome 9 and paracentric inversion on the chromosome 14 were noted in 4 cases [inv(14) (q13;q24); inv(9) (p12;q21); inv(9) (p12;q21); inv(9) (p11;q13)]. Only three cases with pericentric inversion on chromosome 9 were detected. Although this finding is usually considered as a normal variation of chromosome 9. But, paracentric inversion on chromosome 14 was found in our patient for the first time. This inversion may be important new findings in the development of growth retardation.

Abnormalities of sex chromosomes, including complete deletion of X chromosome resulting in Turner's syndrome (45XO) (TS), extra or missing sex chromosomes also have been associated with IUGR. The most common features of TS are pre- and postnatal

growth retardation and gonadal dysgenesis. Although Growth hormone (GH) secretion has been reported to be normal or paradoxically increased, in most patients with gonadal dysgenesis, pituitary insufficiency has been reported in several patients. These abnormalities in GH secretion in Turner syndrome are probably secondary to the absence of sex hormones during adolescence. Girls with TS have mild growth impairment at birth, grow slowly during infancy and at the onset of childhood and have delayed onset of secondary sex characteristics as well (13). We found that 1.7% of cases had abnormal karyotype who had cytogenetic findings in favor of TS, and one of these was a mosaic form of TS. In addition to numerical abnormalities of chromosome X, two types of structural abnormality of chromosomes including isochromosome of the long and short arms of the X was found in two cases [Xi(Xq) and 45,X/46,Xi(Xp)].

Between numerical chromosomal abnormalities, the most common is Down syndrome (DS) which affect nearly 1:600 live born infants. Delayed development and behavioral problems are often reported in children with DS, and in girls with short stature and growth retardation. Affected individuals' speech and language is develop later, and may be more difficult to understand. Indeed, we found 1.1% (4 cases) DS among our patients, and one of these was a mosaic form of DS. We also found a marker chromosome in one of our patients.

We observed chromosomal fragilities in 0.8% of the patients, and these was a mosaic form. Identification of the basis of instability at FS and the related genes provides an entree to understanding the important aspects of chromosomal instability, which may be a effect that PGR cause. However, the FS is a very interesting subject for the study of clinical disorders, which can lead to the formation of deletions and translocations. At the same time, the characterization of FS has demonstrated that they are associated with genes that relate to tumorigenesis and behavioural disorders (14,15).

V. CONCLUSION

IUGR is an important health problem of developing countries around the world. There are multiple causes for IUGR including maternal, fetal, placental, and genetic factors. At the same time, postnatal growth also depends on cause of growth retardation, postnatal nutritional intake, and social environment. There is strong association between IUGR, chromosome aberrations and congenital malformations. We showed that a significant proportion of pediatric cases especially unexplained growth retardation had karyotypic abnormality, these are most commonly translocations, Turner syndrome and Down syndrome, respectively. We recommend cytogenetic study for such

cases for early diagnosis and management. It is necessary that children with TS and DS be diagnosed as soon as possible so they may achieve the maximum benefit of growth hormone therapy.

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Conclusion: LHRH agonists were significant in reducing PSA level in any prior prostate cancer staging, histological grading, and medication type.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Prostate cancer is one of the most frequently-occurring type of cancer, reported in a study from 2003 as the sixth most common cancer in the world and the third most common cancer among men.¹ There are 513,000 new cases of prostate cancer was reported globally in the 2000.² A data from United States in 2011 shows that this disease was diagnosed in 240 thousand men and was the cause of 33 thousand deaths.^{1,3}

As prostate cancer's progression have long since been found to be dependent on hormones,

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androgen suppression therapy (AST) is incorporated into the standard treatment of prostate cancer.⁴ Historically, AST was commonly accomplished by means of surgical procedure or estrogen therapy. Advance in AST allows pharmacologic castration using luteinizing hormone-releasing hormone (LHRH) agonist drugs as they offer wider use. LHRH agonists therapy was found to lower the number the hospital visits required, medical bill for the treatment, along with mental and physical burden that may occur from the drug injection.⁵ Although current studies show that the two most common LHRH agonist used in medical setting, Leuprorelin and Goserelin, have relatively equal efficacy, Leuprorelin are comparably more expensive than the latter.

Although LHRH agonists are commonly used in the treatment regime of prostate cancer, there has yet been any study regarding the drug's influence on lowering the level of prostate-specific antigen (PSA), a prostate cancer biomarker, in Indonesia. Thus, this study aims to assess the efficacy of LHRH agonists in treating prostate cancer patients through analyzing the change of PSA levels three months following the therapy.

II. METHODS

This is an observational study using retrospective cohort design that was conducted in the Urology Polyclinic of GatotSoebroto Army Hospital, Jakarta, from January of 2014 to October of 2018. The study subjects were 127 male patients older than 40 years of age who were previously diagnosed with prostate cancer and treated with LHRH agonists within the period of research. Patients that had not undergo laboratory testing for PSA prior to the treatment, developed a castrate-resistant prostate cancer, or failed to attend the follow-up care in polyclinic within three months are excluded from the study. The subjects were sampled consecutively, in which patients were selected in order of outpatient scheduling until the appropriate sample size was reached.

Data were collected from the subjects' medical record. Of the extracted data were the patient's age, cancer staging according to European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO) classification, histological grading, treatment received, along with PSA levels

before and after treatment. Information regarding the treatment collected for in this study were the LHRH medication type used and other therapies done for the patient.

All data were analyzed using SPSS version 23. Descriptive statistics were used to summarize the demographic characteristics of subjects according to age, TNM stage, and histologic grade. This statistics were also used to describe the usage of LHRH agonists along with average baseline and post-therapy PSA levels. Statistical analysis was used to observe the changes of PSA level three months following therapy. Paired-T test analysis was conducted with dispersed data, whereas Wilcoxon test was done for under dispersed data. Another statistical analysis used in this study is ANOVA and Kruskal Wallis, for dispersed and under dispersed data respectively, to observe the difference of PSA-lowering efficacy in different medication types, cancer stages, and histologic grades.

III. RESULTS

From January of 2014 to October of 2018, there were 83 prostate cancer patients that underwent LHRH

agonist therapy with the median age of 70 years. The youngest of the subjects was 51 years old, whereas the oldest was 80 years old. The median of baseline PSA level was 5.40 ng/ml, with maximum and minimum value 4.24 and 7,445.00 ng/ml, respectively. The demographic characteristic of this study is further described in Table 1.

Wilcoxon analysis shows significant difference between circulating PSA level before and three months following prostate cancer treatment with LHRH agonists ($p < 0.001$), with median value of decrease from 54.00 (4.24-7,445.00) to 7.08 (0.01-942.00). Significant difference was also found using Kruskal-Wallis analysis upon baseline PSA levels between prostate cancer stages, histologic grades, and LHRH medication used (stage, $p < 0.001$; histologic grade, $p = 0.020$; LHRH medication, $p = 0.009$). However, there were no significant distinction of PSA levels three months following therapy between these groups. (stage, $p = 0.135$; histologic grade, $p = 0.067$; LHRH medication, $p = 0.139$) (Table 2)

Table 1: Patients' Characteristic

	Total (n = 83)	Percentage (%)
Stage		
T1-T2a, N0M0	23	27.7
• IIA	• 6	• 7.2
• IIC	• 2	• 2.4
• IIIA	• 5	• 6.0
• IIIC	• 10	• 12.0
T2bN0M0	7	8.4
• IIA	• 1	• 1.2
• IIIA	• 4	• 4.8
• IIIC	• 2	• 2.4
T2c-T4 orN1 orM1	53	63.9
• IVA	• 2	• 2.4
• IVB	• 51	• 61.4
Histologic grading		
1	10	12.0
2	4	4.8
3	21	25.3
4	20	24.1
5	28	33.7
LHRH Medication		
Goserelin	47	56.6
Leuprorelin	28	33.7
Goserelin and Leuprorelin	8	9.6

Table 2: Changes in PSA levels according to cancer stage, histologic grade, and LHRH medication used in treatment

	PSA prior to treatment	PSA 3 months following treatment
Stage		
T1-T2a, N0M0	13.10 (4.24-134.00)	6.70 (0.44-80.80)
T2bN0M0	26.00 (14.00-64.54)	0.30 (0.01-22.40)
T2c-T4 or N1 or M1	80.00 (4.70-7,445.00)	10.23 (0.07-647.00)
P-value	< 0.001	0.135

Histologic grade		
1	20.00 (9.40-115.79)	3.30 (0.01-80.80)
2	84.12 (4.24-236.70)	9.65 (1.88-392.60)
3	48.60 (7.89-7,445.00)	3.30 (0.07-647.00)
4	108.25 (4.70-889.00)	6.20 (0.10-76.90)
5	60.37 (11.68-596.64)	13.27 (0.40-147.00)
P-value	0.020	0.067
LHRH Medication		
Goserelin	68.00 (4.24-596.64)	9.00 (0.01-392.60)
Leuprorelin	40.00 (9.40-7,445.00)	13.10 (0.07-647.00)
Both	889.00 (26.00-889.00)	6.20 (0.30-6.20)
P-value	0.009	0.139

IV. DISCUSSION

In this study, there were 83 out of 172 prostate cancer patients administered with LHRH agonists as androgen suppression therapy. The median age of the subjects was 70 years, ranging from 51 to 80 years. These results are supported by a study conducted in 2013 to 2015 in Prof. Dr. R. D. Kandou Central General Hospital in Manado, where it was found the age profile of prostate cancer patients ranges from 51 to 90 years, with 61-70 years as the largest age group.⁶ A majority of the patients that received LHRH agonists were also found with high-risk prostate cancer, with 63.9% in the staging of T2c-T4 or N1 or M1 (61.4% in the IVB prognostic group) and 33.7% with the histologic grade of 5.

The 2016 global treatment pattern of prostate cancer have shown androgen-suppression therapy as the treatment of choice of men with late stage prostate cancer. This treatment was chosen with the patient's disease status as the primary driver in 29% of the cases, while patient's age was deemed the most important factor in only 7% of the case.⁷ This pattern supports the findings of this study, as the major age group of patients sampled resembles the general age profile of prostate cancer patients, while in contrast, the majority were in pathologically advanced stage of disease. Androgen suppression therapy are indicated after the failure of definitive therapy and local salvage, thus most patients received the treatment at a later progression.⁸

LHRH agonist therapy were efficacious in suppressing PSA level during three-month follow-up. Current evidence have shown that LHRH monotherapy is an equal alternative of surgical castration in terms of efficacy and adverse effects. However, patients usually experience a transient flare-up of prostate cancer and PSA level. In theory, LHRH agonists act by modulating the action of hypothalamus and overtaking the control imposed by gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH). Initially, the secretion of luteinizing hormone (LH), follicle stimulating hormone (FSH), and testosterone will surge, leading to transient surge of PSA. Then, after 2-4 weeks of treatment, this drug will inhibit the expression of LHRH in pituitary cells, thus restricting the secretion of gonadal steroids by desensitization. The inhibition of sex steroid

secretion will interfere with tumor's mitogenic stimuli, eventually leading to the decline of circulating PSA.⁹⁻¹⁰

The median value of PSA 3 months after LHRH agonists treatment found in this study was 7,08 (0,01-942,00). Similarly, Ishizuka showed that both 1-month and 3-months depot of LHRH agonist drugs caused a drop of PSA levels from baseline since 4-weeks after treatment, and gradually decreased until most of the samples reached <4.0 ng/mL of PSA after week-12.⁵

PSA and its derivatives are well known as an indicator of prostate cancer progression for the use of screening and post-therapy observation.¹¹⁻² Prior to LHRH agonists therapy, PSA levels between prostate cancer stages in this study were largely variable. However, 3-months after therapy, no significance difference was found. The same phenomenon was observed with PSA levels between histologic grades prior and after therapy. This can be attributed to the initial PSA levels before therapy, as Choueiri also observed invariable PSA levels after reaching nadir with the time of 6 months. His study also reported that prostate cancer patients with higher PSA levels (median of 146) who received AST have significantly faster rate of PSA decline (>52 ng/mL/year) and higher PSA nadir. Crucially, fasted PSA decline rate are associated with higher mortality.¹³ Another study has reported that PSA level can predict the outcome of prostate cancer LHRH medication, as a level below 0,3 ng/ml shown better response toward LHRH agonist therapy.¹⁴

Neither Goserelin, Leuprorelin, or the use of both drugs have any significance towards the outcome of LHRH therapy, as the PSA levels 3 months following the treatment was insignificant. This finding is supported by other studies that also found no difference between LHRH medication types and the response of AST.¹⁵⁻⁶

The limitations of this study are due to the nature of the data collected, as the accuracy depends on correct documentation in the medical records. Also, androgen suppression therapy is given for patients in late stage or failed definitive therapy. Thus, each patients have a unique clinical scenario and treatment plan prior to study. These variables, coupled with small samples, might interfere with our result. However, PSA

level is reduce significantly in any prostate cancer patients following 3 months of LHRH agonist therapy.

V. CONCLUSION

This study shows that within three months following therapy, LHRH agonists were significant in reducing PSA level in any prior cancer status (stage, histologic grade, and medication). However, neither cancer stage, histology grade, nor medication type were significantly associated with the decline of PSA level prior and after therapy. Due to the limitation of the retrospective nature used in this study, the author recommends further research of LHRH agonists and other yet-to-be approved AST drugs in Indonesia, such as GnRH antagonist, using larger and better-controlled cohort.

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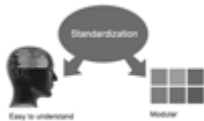


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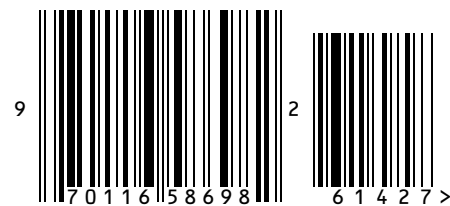
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