

## #1926 - High frequency of urine metabolite abnormalities in children with asymptomatic hematuria

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Body Asymptomatic hematuria is an important manifestation of nephrologic and urologic disorders with an incidence of 0.4-4.1%. The purpose of this study was to identify the characteristic of urine biochemical disturbances in children with unexplained isolated microscopic or macroscopic hematuria. A total of 681 patients with culture negative hematuria were evaluated in this study. Of these, 159 cases were excluded; one hundred had renal stone in their kidney and urinary tract ultrasonography and 59 patients had findings of glomerular disorders. A 24-h urine collection was collected on a regular diet and analyzed for metabolic risk factors including calcium, citrate, oxalate, phosphate, uric acid and magnesium levels. Of 522 enrolled patients, 88.5% had only isolated microscopic hematuria and 11.5% (60 patients) had gross hematuria at the beginning of presentation. Mean age at the time of diagnosis was 5.9 years (range: 1-14.5yrs) and female to male ratio was 2/1. The most common symptoms in their history were occasional abdominal pain (74.5%), dysuria (40.6%), urinary tract infection (31%) and enuresis (13.1%), respectively. 80.3% of patients had a family history of nephrolithiasis. Metabolite abnormalities in their 24-h collected urine were identified in 94% of cases, with the predominance of hypocitraturia (60.7%), followed by hypomagnesuria (58.2%), Hyperuricosuria (35.8%), hypercalciuria (33.7%), hyperoxaluria (24.9%) and cystinuria, respectively. The history of occasional abdominal pain, dysuria and urinary tract infection in girls was significantly higher than that of boys ( $p < 0.05$ ). Hypomagnesuria was significantly higher in girls and in children younger than 5 yrs. More than 30 RBC count in urine analysis (18%) was statistically correlated with the family history of nephrolithiasis ( $p = 0.031$ ). We concluded that urinary biochemical abnormalities are suggested as potentially reversible causes of idiopathic

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hematuria in children. Therefore, measurement of urinary metabolites is recommended for the evaluation of children with isolated hematuria, to prevent unnecessary invasive diagnostic approaches in these patients.

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