

## Role Of Inflammation In The Pathogenesis Of Diabetes

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### Abstract

Diabetes mellitus, a chronic metabolic disorder characterized by hyperglycemia, represents a global health challenge with increasing prevalence. While the classic understanding of diabetes primarily revolves around insulin resistance and impaired beta-cell function, emerging evidence highlights the pivotal role of inflammation in its pathogenesis. This abstract provides an overview of the intricate interplay between inflammatory processes and the development and progression of diabetes. The role of inflammatory pathways extends beyond insulin resistance, influencing the onset of type 1 diabetes as well. Autoimmune destruction of pancreatic beta-cells involves the activation of inflammatory responses orchestrated by T cells and other immune effectors. Understanding these molecular and cellular processes opens avenues for novel therapeutic interventions targeting inflammation to modify the course of diabetes. In conclusion, this abstract highlights the multifaceted role of inflammation in the pathogenesis of diabetes, encompassing both type 1 and type 2 diabetes. Targeting inflammatory pathways presents a promising approach for the development of novel therapeutic strategies, emphasizing the need for a comprehensive understanding of the immune-metabolic interplay in diabetes mellitus.

### Introduction

Diabetes is a persistent and metabolic disease characterized by elevated blood glucose levels, leading to progressive damage to vital organs such as the heart, blood vessels, eyes, kidneys, and nerves. The predominant form is type 2 diabetes, typically affecting adults, wherein the body develops resistance to insulin or fails to produce sufficient insulin. Over the last 30 years, the incidence of type 2 diabetes has surged significantly across countries of varying income levels. In contrast, type 1 diabetes, formerly known as juvenile or insulin-dependent diabetes, is a chronic condition characterized by inadequate or absent insulin production by the pancreas.

For individuals managing diabetes, affordable access to treatment, particularly insulin, is imperative for their survival. A global consensus has been established to arrest the escalating rates of diabetes and obesity by 2025. Worldwide, approximately 422 million people contend with diabetes, with the majority residing in low- and middle-income countries. Annually, 1.5 million deaths are directly linked to diabetes. The number of diabetes cases and its prevalence has both shown a consistent increase over the past few decades [1].

The pathogenesis of type 2 diabetes is indeed a complex and multifactorial process, with obesity

and a sedentary lifestyle emerging as significant risk factors. These lifestyle factors contribute to the development of insulin resistance and type 2 diabetes through stress-induced inflammation in adipose tissue, ultimately leading to insensitivity of the insulin receptor.

In recent years, the conventional perception of adipose tissue as a mere fat storage site has been debunked. It is now widely acknowledged that visceral adipose tissue, in particular, possesses crucial endocrine and inflammatory properties. For instance, adipocytes activated by hypoxia associated with tissue expansion release cytokines and adipokines, many of which exhibit pro-inflammatory characteristics.

As both obesity and type 2 diabetes continue to escalate globally, a deeper comprehension of the inflammatory connections between these lifestyle-related conditions becomes paramount. Recognizing the inflammatory processes within adipose tissue and their impact on insulin sensitivity is essential for developing effective strategies to address and manage these interconnected health issues.

### **Complications of Diabetes**

High blood sugar levels can seriously damage parts of our body, including our feet and your eyes. These are called diabetes complications. But you can take action to prevent or delay many of these side effects of diabetes. There are two types of diabetes complications: serious ones that build up over time called chronic complications and ones that can happen at any time called acute complications [2].

#### **Chronic complications**

These are long-term problems that can develop gradually, and can lead to serious damage if they go unchecked and untreated.

#### **Eye problems (retinopathy)**

Some people with diabetes develop an eye disease called diabetic retinopathy which can affect their eyesight. If retinopathy is picked up – usually from an eye screening test - it can be treated and sight loss prevented.

#### **Foot problems**

Diabetes foot problems are serious and can lead to amputation if untreated. Nerve damage can affect the feeling in your feet and raised blood sugar can damage the circulation, making it slower for sores and cuts to heal. That's why it's important to tell your GP if you notice any change in how your feet look or feel.

#### **Heart attack and stroke**

When you have diabetes, high blood sugar for a period of time can damage your blood vessels. This can sometimes lead to heart attacks and strokes.

#### **Kidney problems (nephropathy)**

Diabetes can cause damage to your kidneys over a long period of time making it harder to clear extra fluid and waste from your body. This is caused by high blood sugar levels and high blood pressure. It is known as diabetic nephropathy or kidney disease.

**Nerve damage(neuropathy)**

Some people with diabetes may develop nerve damage caused by complications of high blood sugar levels. This can make it harder for the nerves to carry messages between the brain and every part of our body so it can affect how we see, hear, feel and move.

**Gum disease and other mouth problems**

Too much sugar in your blood can lead to more sugar in your saliva. This brings bacteria which produces acid which attacks your tooth enamel and damages your gums. The blood vessels in your gums can also become damaged, making gums more likely to get infected.

**Related conditions, like cancer**

If you have diabetes, you're more at risk of developing certain cancers. And some cancer treatments can affect your diabetes and make it harder to control your blood sugar.

**Acute complications**

These can happen at any time and may lead to chronic, or long-term, complications.

**Hypos**– when your blood sugars are too low

**Hypers**– when your blood sugars are too high

**Hyperosmolar Hyperglycaemic State (HHS)**– a life-threatening emergency that only happens in people with type 2 diabetes. It's brought on by severe dehydration and very high blood sugars.

**Diabetic ketoacidosis(DKA)** – a life-threatening emergency where the lack of insulin and high blood sugars leads to a build-up of ketones[2].

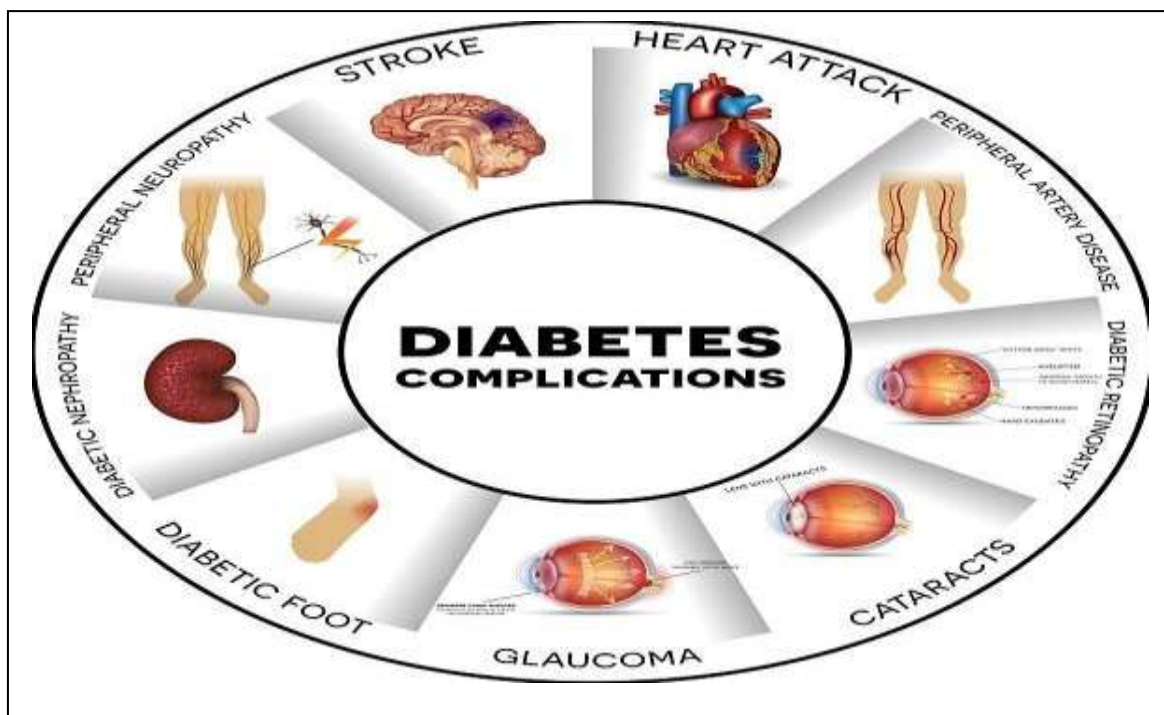


Fig1 – Complications of Diabetes by [UMASS CHAIN MEDICAL SCHOOL]

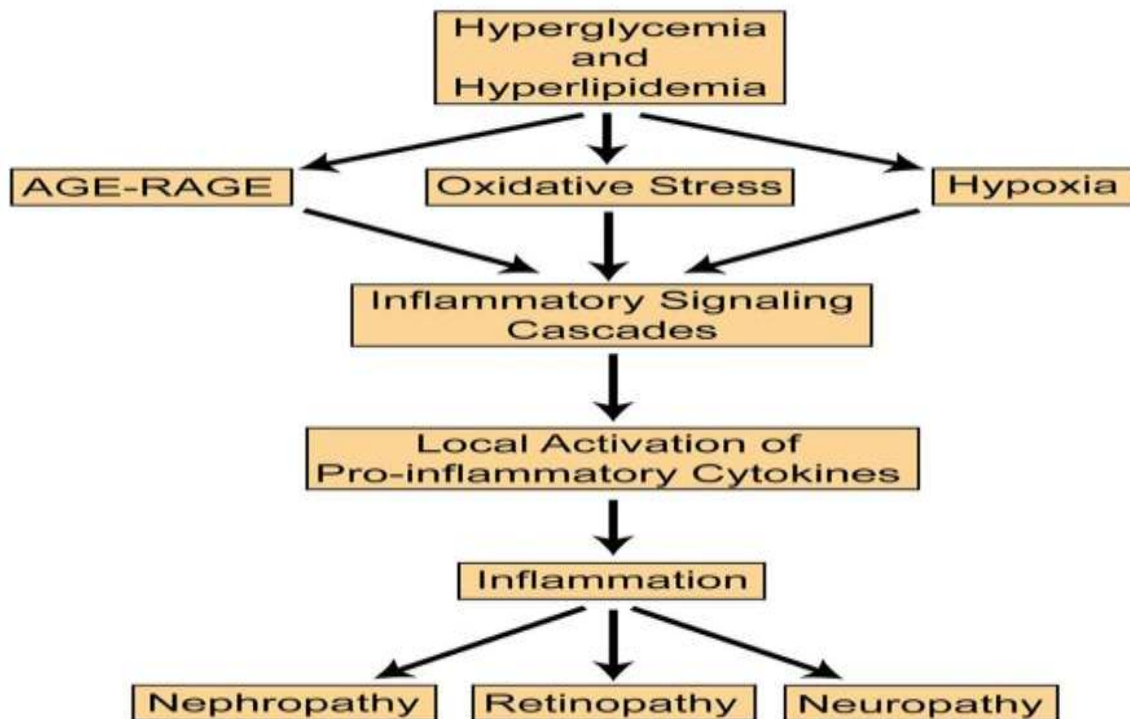
**Inflammation of Diabetes**

Inflammation plays a significant role in the development and progression of diabetes. Diabetes is a chronic metabolic disorder characterized by high blood sugar levels, and it can lead to various complications affecting multiple organ systems. Inflammation is closely linked to diabetes through several mechanisms, and it contributes to the insulin resistance and beta-cell dysfunction observed in the disease [3].

Here are some key points regarding the relationship between inflammation and diabetes:

1. **Insulin Resistance:** Inflammation is associated with insulin resistance, a condition where cells do not respond effectively to insulin. Chronic low-grade inflammation can impair insulin signaling pathways, leading to reduced glucose uptake by cells and elevated blood sugar levels.
2. **Adipose Tissue Inflammation:** Adipose tissue (fat) is an active endocrine organ that secretes hormones and cytokines. In obesity, which is often associated with type 2 diabetes, adipose tissue undergoes changes that promote inflammation. This inflammation can contribute to insulin resistance and the development of diabetes.
3. **Cytokines and Inflammatory Markers:** Elevated levels of pro-inflammatory cytokines, such as tumor necrosis factor-alpha (TNF- $\alpha$ ) and interleukin-6 (IL-6), are often observed in individuals with diabetes. These cytokines can interfere with insulin signaling and contribute to inflammation.
4. **Oxidative Stress:** Inflammation and oxidative stress are interconnected processes. Oxidative stress occurs when there is an imbalance between the production of reactive oxygen species (ROS) and the body's ability to neutralize them. Chronic hyperglycemia in diabetes can lead to oxidative stress, triggering inflammation and further exacerbating insulin resistance.
5. **Beta-Cell Dysfunction:** In type 2 diabetes, chronic inflammation may also affect pancreatic beta cells, which produce insulin. Inflammatory cytokines can lead to beta-cell dysfunction and reduced insulin secretion.

**Complications:** Inflammation is implicated in the development of diabetes-related complications, such as cardiovascular disease, nephropathy (kidney disease), retinopathy (eye disease), and neuropathy (nerve damage). These complications are often driven by a combination of hyperglycemia and inflammatory processes.



**Fig 2. GENERAL PATHWAY IN THE PROGRESSION OF DIABETIC MICROVASCULAR COMPLICATIONS [4].**

Managing inflammation is an important aspect of diabetes care. Lifestyle modifications, including regular exercise, a healthy diet, and weight management, can help reduce inflammation and improve insulin sensitivity. Medications that target inflammation may also be prescribed in some cases. It's essential for individuals with diabetes to work closely with healthcare professionals to develop a comprehensive treatment plan that addresses both blood sugar control and inflammation to prevent or manage complications associated with diabetes[3]

**Diabetic Nephropathy-** Diabetic nephropathy is a common complication of type 1 and type 2 diabetes. Over time, diabetes that isn't well controlled can damage blood vessels in the kidneys that filter waste from the blood. This can lead to kidney damage and cause high bloodpressure.

**Diabetic Retinopathy-** Diabetic retinopathy is caused by high blood sugar due to diabetes. Over time, having too much sugar in your blood can damage your retina — the part of your eye that detects light and sends signals to your brain through a nerve in the back of your eye (optic nerve). Diabetes damages blood vessels all over thebody.\

**Diabetic Neuropathy-** Diabetic neuropathy is nerve damage that is caused by diabetes. Over time, high blood glucose levels, also called blood sugar, and high levels of fats, such as triglycerides, in the blood from diabetes can damage your nerves. Symptoms depend on which type of diabetic neuropathy youhave.

## Method

**Problem identification-** Understanding how inflammation is connected to diabetes has some challenges. We need to work out what causes ongoing inflammation, why the immune system sometimes doesn't work properly, and how fat cells and immune cells talk to each other. It's important to identify specific things that cause inflammation and look at how it affects different parts of the body like the pancreas and muscles. Also, we should explore how the bacteria in our gut, oxidative stress, our genes, and our lifestyle choices play a role. Solving these problems will help us find ways to reduce inflammation in diabetes and improve treatments.

## Data collection:

The study focused on 200 participants with type 2 diabetes attending regular health visits at the outpatient diabetes clinic in Ambikapur, Chhattisgarh. To be included in the cross-sectional analysis, individuals needed to have a confirmed diagnosis of type 2 diabetes with a hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) level of 6.5% or higher for at least one year. Additionally, participants were required to have stable diabetes treatment. Blood samples were collected in the morning after a fasting period of at least 6 hours. For the analysis of inflammatory biomarkers, blood was drawn into tubes containing EDTA and then centrifuged for 10 minutes at 1000g. The isolated serum was divided into appropriate volumes and stored in a bio bank at -80°C until the entire data set was collected. All samples were thawed just before analysis. For the analysis of HbA1c, blood was collected in tubes containing lithium heparin and analyzed using routine biochemical procedures.

Table 1 Demographic and Clinical Characteristics among groups

Urea	1.8-7.1
Cr	6.19-114.9
Hba1c	4-6.5 above
Chol	5.17-6.21
Tg	0 or 5.6
HDL	1.6 or above
LDL	0 or above
VLDL	0.2-3.0
BMI	18.5 or above
Ph reaction	5-8
Hemoglobin	1.5-16.5 gram
RBC	3.9-6.5 th/cumm
WBC	4-11 th/cumm
Platelet Count	1.5- 4.5 lakh
Blood Pressure	
Glucose in fasting	70-100
Glucose in blood	70-100

**Data Preprocessing-** We used many matrices to calculate the performances of the several machine learning algorithm. These are confusion matrix, True positive rate, True negative rate, Accuracy, Precision, Recall, and F-score.

- TP (True Positives)- True,True
- TN (True Negative)- False,False

- FP(False Positive)- True, False
- FN(False Negative)-False,false

Confusion Matrix- A **confusion matrix** is a matrix that summarizes the performance of a machine learning model on a set of test data. It is a means of displaying number of accurate and inaccurate instances from the model's predictions. It is often used to measure the performance of classification models, which aim to predict a categorical label for each input instance.

	Predicted	
Actual	T	F
T	TP	FN
F	FP	TN

Equation (1) – (6) indicates the matrices such as TPR, TNR, Accuracy, Precision, Recall, and F-Score.

TPR (True Positive Rate) - TPR is a measure of proportion of what numbers of true positive were distinguished out of all the number of positives identified. It is also known as sensitivity.

$$\text{TPR} = \text{TP} / (\text{TP} + \text{FN}) \quad (1)$$

FPR (False Positive Rate)- FPR is the proportion of true negatives and complete number of negatives we have anticipated. It is also known as specificity.

$$\text{FPR} = \text{TN} / (\text{TN} + \text{FP}) \quad (2)$$

PRECISION – Precision measures the percentage of predictions made by the model that are correct.

$$\text{Precision} = \text{TP} / (\text{TP} + \text{FP}) \quad (3)$$

RECALL- Recall measures the percentage of relevant data points that were correctly identified the model.

$$\text{Recall} = \text{TP} / (\text{TP} + \text{FN}) \quad (4)$$

F- MEASURE- F-measure also known as F-score is a metric used to evaluate the performance of a machine learning model. It combines precision and recall into a single score.

$$\text{F-Measures} = 2 * (\text{Precision} * \text{Recall}) / (\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}) \quad (5)$$

ACCURACY- Accuracy is a metrics that measures how often a machine learning model correctly predicts that outcome. We can calculate accuracy by dividing the number of correct predictions by the total number of predictions.

$$\text{Accuracy} = (\text{TP} + \text{TN}) / (\text{TP} + \text{TN} + \text{FP} + \text{FN}) \quad (6)$$

**Apply machine learning approaches** - We used Decision Tree as classifiers in WEKA, a freely available open-source machine learning and data mining software based on JAVA. WEKA acts as a helpful tool for understanding data, where Decision Tree and Random Forest serve as assistants in making predictions based on various factors. These classifiers are capable of creating decision trees or combining multiple trees to enhance predictive accuracy[5].

**J48**- We used the J48 decision tree in weka as an implementation of the decision tree algorithm, which is a popular machine learning algorithm for classification tasks. The j48 algorithm builds a decision tree by recursively splitting the datasets based on the most informative attribute at each node. J48 another name is C4.8, which is an upgrade of C4.5. J48 is a top-down, recursive divide and conquer strategy. This method selects an attribute root node, generates a branch for each possible attribute value, divides the instance into multiple subsets, and each subset corresponds to a branch of the root node, and the repeats the process recursively on each branch. When all instances have the same classification, the algorithm stops.

In J48, the nodes are decided by information gain. According to the following formulas, in each iteration, J48 calculates the information gain of each attribute, and selects the attribute with the largest value of information gain as the node of this iteration.

Attribute A information gain:

$$\text{Gain}(A) = \text{Info}(D) - \text{Info}_A(D)$$

Pre-segmentation information entropy:

$$\text{Info}(D) = \text{Entropy}(D) = -\sum p(j/D) \log p(j/D)$$

$$\text{Info}_A(D) = \sum \frac{n_i}{n} \text{Info}(P_i)$$

**Random Tree**- Random tree is a supervised classifier. It is an ensemble learning algorithm that generates many individual learners. It employs a bagging idea to produce a random set of data for constructing a decision tree. In standard tree each node is split using the best split among all variables.

**Hoeffding Tree**- The Hoeffding tree algorithm is a decision tree learning method for stream data classification. It uses the Hoeffding bound for construction and analysis of the decision tree. Hoeffding bounds used to decide the number of instances to be run in order to achieve a certain level of confidence. It is an incremental, anytime decision tree induction algorithm that is capable of learning from massive data streams.

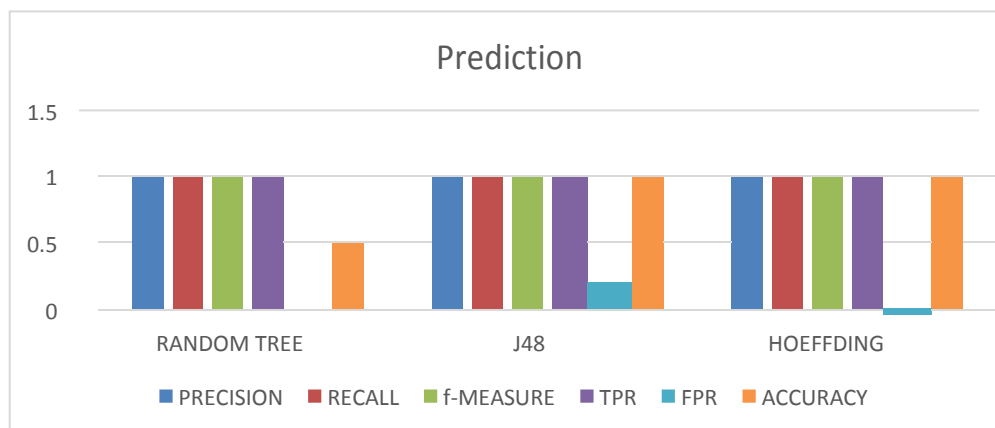
**Prediction**- We used Random Tree, J48, and hoeffding algorithms in the weka tool, and we calculated TPR, FPR, Precision, Recall, F-measure and Accuracy. Among them, J48 produced the best results.



TABLE 2

Algorithm Used	TPR	FPR	Precision	Recall	F-measure	Accuracy
Random Tree	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.54
Hoeffding	0.95	0.049	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95
J48	0.98	0.20	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98

**Result analysis-** In the, table 1, we used 200 participants with type 2 diabetes attending regular health visits at the outpatient diabetes clinic in Ambikapur, Chhattisgarh. For better comparison, firstly, we used all features for predicting diabetes.



**Conclusion-** In Conclusion, Inflammation plays a crucial role in the development of diabetes. when our body faces persistent inflammation, it can interfere with how insulin works, leading to Insulin resistance. This resistance makes it difficult for our cells to use glucose properly, contributing to high blood sugar levels seen in diabetes. Therefore, managing inflammation is not only important for overall health but also for preventing and managing diabetes. Lifestyle factors such as a healthy diet, regular exercise and stress management importance play a significant role in reducing inflammation and lowering the risk of diabetes. We analyzed the reports of 200 diabetes patients from the Ambikapur Chhattisgarh. We used machine learning approaches in the weka tool. we used the Random Tree, J48, Hoeffding algorithm for accuracy prediction. This analysis revealed that, in comparison to other algorithms, the J48 algorithm demonstrated superior accuracy in prediction diabetes.

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