

## **Determination the Complications of Helicobacter Pylori at Marjan Teaching Hospital in Hilla City**

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### **Abstract:**

**Background:** *H. pylori* infection occurs when a bacteria with this name causes infection in the stomach. This usually occurs in childhood. There may be an infection of *H. pylori* bacteria, a common cause of peptic ulcers in more than half of the world population. The study aims at assess the complication of *H. pylori* in Hilla City.

**Methodology:** A descriptive design was conducted in Hilla City deals patients who diagnosed with *H. pylori* . The data collected by a well trailed investigator and analyzed thro the used descriptive statistic.

**Results:** The study findings depicts the (55%) out total number of the study sample there were diagnosed with *H. pylori* have been gastritis.

**Conclusions:** Patients who admission to hospital and who diagnosed with *H. pylori* have been Gastritis. Gastritis cases are the most common complications of patients with *H. pylori*, and small ratio of gastric cancer is associated with *H. pylori* bacteria infection.

**Recommendations:** Further studies that can be conducted to involve a national level to identify the causes and risks factors of *H. pylori* in rural and urban areas.

**Key words:** Determination, Complications, *H. pylori*.

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### **I. INTRODUCTION**

*Helicobacter pylori* is one of the most prevalent global pathogens and colonises an estimated 50% of the world's population. It was first described in gastric biopsies by Warren and Marshall in Australia in 1983, *H. pylori* is a Gram-negative bacillus that infects the human stomach mucosa and produces diseases of the upper gastrointestinal tract such as chronic gastritis, peptic ulcer disease, gastric marginal zone/mucosa-associated lymphoid tissue (MALT) lymphoma and gastric carcinoma. More recently, it has been suggested that *H. pylori* may be associated with extraintestinal diseases, including immune thrombocytopenic purpura, refractory iron deficiency anaemia and vitamin B12 deficiency<sup>[1]</sup>.

The precise epidemiology of *H. pylori* infection still remains unclear; however, studies have shown that ingestion of contaminated food may increase the risk of *H. pylori* infection. Person-to-person transmission by oral-oral, faecal-oral or gastro-oral exposure is suggested to be the most likely route of transmission<sup>[2]</sup>.

*H. pylori* infection causes chronic gastritis in infected individuals and is causally linked to PUD, Mucosa-Associated Gastric Cancer and lymphoid tissue (MALT) lymphoma, The majority of infected individuals remain asymptomatic, but (10% - 20%) will develop PUD during their lifetime and about 1% will develop gastric cancer ,Host specific cofactors and *H. pylori* strain variability play an important role in the pathogenesis of Peptic ulcer diseases and gastric cancer *H. pylori* infection is more commonly found in endoscopy staff, gastroenterologists, groups of healthcare workers, intensive care nurses, and those caring for developmentally disabled individuals. The presence of *Helicobacter pylori* is significantly increased in patients with gastro-esophageal reflux disease<sup>[3]</sup>.

In all infected persons with *Helicobacter pylori* the outcome of colonization in gastric is a chronic active gastritis. However, the gastric distribution of *Helicobacter pylori* and the severity of the chronic inflammatory response could differ according to different factors. most of those infected individuals progress no other complications and are often without any clinical symptoms<sup>[4]</sup>.

The pathogenesis of the different clinical outcomes is multifactorial with an influence by host factors, especially those governing the severity of the immune response as well as the virulence of the infecting organism and environmental factors (mainly diet) often playing a dominant role. (AL-Jinahi, 2014).The pathogenesis of *H. Pylori* is summarized in Fig. (1) which leads to three main Gastro duodenal Diseases<sup>[5]</sup>.

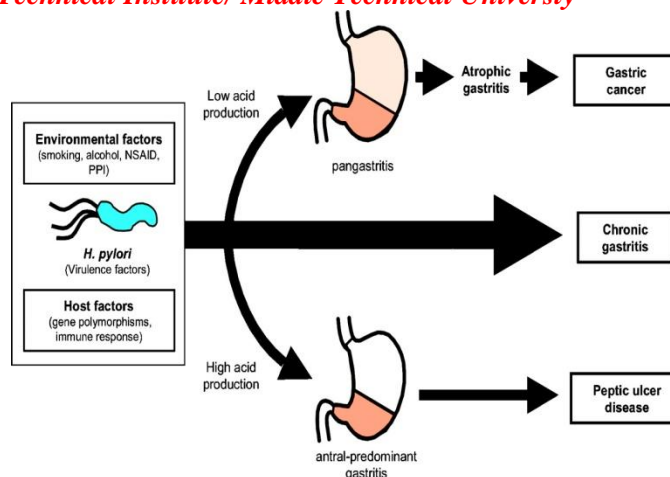


Fig. (1) pathogenesis of H. Pylori [6].

To avoid the harsh conditions in the stomach cavity (gastric lumen), these bacteria developed the mechanism of resistance to the stomach acid of the (microbicidal acid) by the colonization in a very narrow place of gastric ulcer and the secretion of urease enzyme, which analyzes the urea in the middle to the ammonia. The effect is that the acid is around the lining of the stomach, which allows it to stay in the human stomach for life if not treated with antibiotics life<sup>[7]</sup>.

The number of peer-reviewed articles on H. pylori is still growing (Figure 2). Although the whole genome sequence was completed in 1999<sup>[8]</sup>, a great deal of research is still needed to understand the growing concern of the multiple-drug resistance issue. In addition to drug resistance, further studies are also needed to understand the host pathogen interaction, transmission route, and its relationship with other microorganisms and diseases.

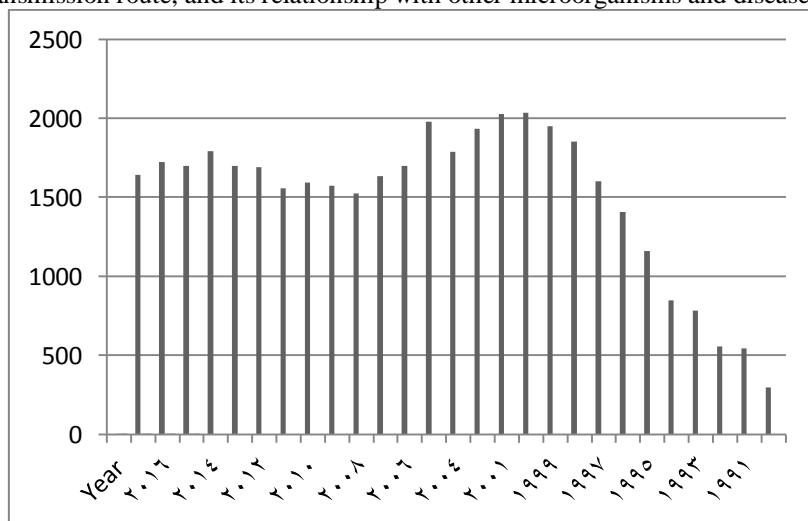


Figure (2): Number of peer-reviewed publications per year on Helicobacter pylori using Pub Med search (key words used were Helicobacter pylori or H. pylori in anywhere in the paper)<sup>[9]</sup>.

The prevalence of H. pylori has been changing over the last decades, with a decrease of the prevalence H. pylori infection in most countries. The changing epidemiology of the bacterium has been associated with a parallel decline in gastric cancer and peptic ulcer disease. It may have an impact on the changing epidemiology of other diseases, such as allergies, asthma and gastro-esophageal reflux disease<sup>[10]</sup>.

Over the previous years, several studies reported some data on the prevalence of H. pylori infection in both (adults and children) in Asia, Africa, Europe, Canada and Latin America<sup>[11]</sup>.

Helicobacter pylori is the most prevalence infection agent found in the stomachs, at least in half of world's Peoples. Despite different geographical location and socioeconomic status, the most common infection in the world is H. pylori bacteria<sup>[12]</sup>.

The different prevalence of this bacteria spreads from several countries and other factors such as social, age, nutrition or ethnics in the individual Country<sup>[13]</sup>. The High rate of infection by H. pylori may be correlated with the drop of socioeconomic status, like poor hygiene and sanitation<sup>[14]</sup>.

Some factors contribute to the elimination of H. pylori such as housing condition and hygiene. Anyway, the new H. pylori infection develops in men and causes complex infection whenever left without treatment<sup>[15]</sup>. Infection

of *H. pylori* tends to gather in one family. The environment around *H. pylori* infection when people are living closed or crowded.

The reservoir of *H. pylori* is human stomach, some studies have shown that this bacteria can be found in isolated from stool<sup>[16]</sup>.

Despite the geographical proximity of Iraq, Iran and Turkey, the gastric cancer incidence differs hugely among these countries. Gastric cancer is one of the major global health threat and we can say it is the third leading cause of cancer deaths worldwide. It is causing an estimated >720,000 deaths per year globally, *Helicobacter pylori* is the most important etiologic factor that leads to gastric cancer. Approximately 50% of the global population is infected by *H. pylori*<sup>[7]</sup>. It is estimated that 89% of noncardia gastric cancers, *H. pylori* infection are attributed for 78% of gastric cancer cases<sup>[17]</sup>.

Gastric carcinogenesis is promoted by *H. pylori* through multiple mechanisms. It causes chronic gastric inflammation that may develop to the precancerous changes of atrophic gastritis and intestinal metaplasia. The risk of gastric cancer increases is associated with the severity and extent of those precancerous changes<sup>[18]</sup>.

*H. pylori* is one of the most important prevalent global pathogens and can lead to gastrointestinal disease including peptic ulcers, gastric carcinoma and gastric marginal zone lymphoma<sup>[19]</sup>.

Since the discovery of *Helicobacter pylori*, strong evidence has indicated that *H. pylori* infection has an important role in the pathogenesis of peptic ulcer disease, chronic gastritis and gastric malignancy. Poor living conditions and genetic susceptibility are considered risk factors for *H. pylori* infection in both developing and developed countries<sup>[20]</sup>.

Poor hygiene conditions, low socioeconomic status, bed sharing, overcrowding, interfamilial clustering, family history of parental gastric disease, and person-to-person contact through oral-oral or fecal-oral contamination may be the route of transmission<sup>[21]</sup>.

*H. pylori* can be associated with extra gastric diseases such as cardiovascular diseases, Hashimoto's thyroiditis, Dyslipidemia, Diabetes mellitus, Reproductive Disorders<sup>[19]</sup>.

Bacteria, viruses and parasites emerge as the "secret agents" that cause millions of cases of cancer. It is estimated that over 1.5 million of the total of 10 million new cancer cases a year could be avoided through preventing the infection associated with them according to the report of WHO. Approximately 6.6 million people died from all types of cancer in 1995. Three main types of cancers are associated to infections, the first of which is Stomach cancer. Approximately there are 550,000 new cases a year of stomach cancer - about 55% of the worldwide total - which are attributable to *Helicobacter pylori*. The bacterium also causes gastritis and duodenal and gastric ulcers<sup>[8]</sup>.

Some chronic infections are considered risk factors for cancer and they have important relevance in low- and middle-income countries. In 2012, about 15% of diagnosed cancers were attributed to carcinogenic infections, including *Helicobacter pylori*, Hepatitis B virus, Hepatitis C virus, Human papillomavirus (HPV), and Epstein-Barr virus<sup>[7]</sup>.

## **II. METHODOLOGY**

The study aims to assess the complication of *H. pylori* in Kut City.

### **The Study Design**

A descriptive study design was used for the purpose of the study for the period of December 1st 2018 to April 1st 2019.

### **Setting of the Study**

The study has been carried out in Kut City at the AL-Zahraa Hospital.

### **The Study Sample**

Non Probability A convenience sample of (100) patients collected through the admission in hospital and diagnosed with *H. pylori*.

### **Approach of Statistic:**

The information of the study are analyzed during the use of the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences it called (SPSS -version 20). The information of statistical analysis approaches are used in arrange to analyze and estimate the consequences of the study:

Statistical tables "Frequencies and percent" which are:

$$\% = \frac{\text{Frequency}}{\text{Sample Size}} \times 100$$

### III. RESULTS

**Table: Distribution the Laparoscopic examination Complications of H. Pylori Bacteria**

Classifications		Frequency	Percent
Complications	Gastritis	55	55.0
	Duodenitis	25	25.0
	Gastric ulcer	5	5.0
	Duodenal ulcer	14	14.0
	Gastric cancer	1	1.0
	Total	100	100

This table demonstrates the patients with H. pylori bacteria their complications in terms of frequencies and percentage. Findings reveal that the gastritis is the most complications associated with H. pylori bacteria infection, it constituted that (55%) out of the total number of the study sample. Only a small ratio (1%) of gastric cancer is associated with H. pylori bacteria infection.

### IV. DISCUSSION

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The results come in line with investigation who have studied H. pylori infection among adults undergoing gastrointestinal endoscopy. (40) patients referred to the GIT clinic of AL-Yarmok teaching hospital for GI endoscopy are involved in their study; the biopsies and sera are sent to histopathology and immunology department respectively for the detection of H. Pylori. The findings reveal that most of study participants are with are chronic gastritis and complaining from reflux oesophagitis<sup>[13]</sup>.

Also, a study entitled *Helicobacter pylori* chronic gastritis has updated Sydney grading in relation to endoscopic findings and H. pylori IGg antibody: diagnostic methods. The Endoscopic findings reveal that the (76.4%) of patients are suffer from Endoscopic gastritis<sup>[11]</sup>.

### V. CONCLUSIONS

The patients who admission to hospital and who diagnosed with H. pylori have been Gastritis.

Gastritis cases are the most common complications of patients with H. pylori, and small ratio of gastric cancer is associated with H. pylori bacteria infection.

### VI. RECOMMENDATION

Further studies that can be conducted to involve a national level to identify the causes and risks factors of H. pylori in rural and urban areas.

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