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Significance of regular follow-up before noninvasive ventilation in Duchenne muscular dystrophy

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Objective

Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD), an X-linked recessive and progressive muscular disorder, is the most common type of genetic muscular dystrophy. The development of mechanical ventilation and medical management of dilated cardiomyopathy have prolonged their lives. For determining the necessity of initiating noninvasive ventilation (NIV), various factors such as hypoventilatory symptoms, forced vital capacity (FVC), maximal inspiratory pressure (MIP), and end-tidal carbon dioxide (EtCO₂), are considered. We aim to reveal the clinical importance of regular follow-up before initiation of NIV by comparing patients with and without regular medical surveillance in DMD.

Materials and Methods

This retrospective research analyzed successful applications of NIV in the pulmonary rehabilitation center in a single tertiary university hospital from March 2000 to April 2018. The patients were categorized into three groups according to follow-up status before NIV initiation. Group 1 patients had been followed regularly in the outpatient clinic before the initiation of NIV. The patients in group 2 were lost during follow-up or were never followed before NIV. And in group 3 patients were transferred from another hospital or another department with inadequate ventilatory support. We analyzed various parameters such as partial pressure of CO₂ (PCO₂) in arterial blood gas analysis (ABGA) and nocturnal non-invasive continuous monitoring, ventilatory support time for each day after completion of NIV setting, and various respiratory function including FVC, maximum insufflation capacity (MIC), peak cough flow (PCF), assisted peak cough flow (APCF), MIP and maximal expiratory pressure (MEP).

Results

Total 239 cases of DMD patients with NIV were included in this study. The mean age of the patients was 19.7 ± 4.6 years (Table 1). The number of the patients in group 1, 2, and 3 are 119, 82, and 38 respectively. All parameters except for the duration of ventilator use, differed significantly. Age was lowest at group 1. Initial pCO₂ of ABGA was highest in

group 2. Nocturnal maximum CO₂ and mean CO₂ were highest in group 2 and lowest in group 3. This trend was due to the inclusion of some patients undergoing NIV in group 3. All respiratory functions were highest in group 1 and lowest in group 3. Although age did not differ between group 1 and 3, respiratory function decreased remarkably in group 3 compared with group 1 and group 2, indicating that appropriate NIV setting exert a positive effect on preservation of respiratory function.

Conclusion

Regular follow-up before the onset of ventilatory failure is crucial for timely application of NIV. Because NIV itself does not guarantee correction of abnormal ventilation, accurate correction of hypoventilation should be confirmed using monitoring system. Appropriate NIV exert preventive effect on the deterioration of respiratory function.

Table 1. Demographic characteristics of the patients

	Total (N = 239)
Age	19.7 ± 4.6
ABGA pH	7.395 ± 0.046
ABGA PCO ₂ (mmHg)	44.6 ± 12.6
Initial maximum CO ₂ *	52.5 ± 8.5
Initial mean CO ₂ *	45.4 ± 7.5
Final maximum CO ₂ *†	39.9 ± 5.7
Final mean CO ₂ *†	33.0 ± 5.3
FVCsit (%)‡	22.6 ± 16.2
FVCsup (%)‡	21.4 ± 15.2
MIC (mL)	1391 ± 579
PCF (L/min)	132 ± 80
APCF (L/min)	260 ± 91
MIPsit (%)‡	22.3 ± 15.9
MIPsup (%)‡	22.0 ± 14.9
MEPsit (%)‡	14.9 ± 9.3
MEPsup (%)‡	14.8 ± 9.1

ABGA: arterial blood gas analysis, PCO₂: partial pressure of carbon dioxide, FVC: forced vital capacity, MIC: maximum insufflation capacity, PCF: peak cough flow, APCF: assisted peak cough flow, MIP: maximal inspiratory pressure, MEP: maximal expiratory pressure, sit: at sitting position, sup: at supine position

* In the nocturnal noninvasive and continuous CO₂ monitoring

† After completion of noninvasive ventilator setting

‡ These values calculated to percentage of normal predictive values.

Table 2. Comparison of pulmonary function among the groups

	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 1 vs 2	Group 2 vs 3	Group 1 vs 3	Among groups
Age (years)	18.2 ± 3.8	21.7 ± 5.1	19.9 ± 5.1	<0.001	0.206	0.066	<0.001
ABGA pH	7.401 ± 0.341	7.370 ± 0.054	7.423 ± 0.054	0.078	0.048	0.719	0.004
ABGA PCO ₂ (mmHg)	41.6 ± 10.3	49.5 ± 13.9	43.4 ± 13.5	<0.001	0.089	>0.999	<0.001
Initial maximum CO ₂ (mmHg)*	51.3 ± 6.2	55.7 ± 9.9	49.6 ± 9.7	0.002	0.007	0.978	<0.001
Initial mean CO ₂ (mmHg)*	44.8 ± 4.7	48.9 ± 9.3	40.6 ± 10.7	0.040	0.016	0.406	<0.001
Ventilator time (hours/day)	8.8 ± 2.4	9.8 ± 3.7	9.2 ± 4.4	0.137	>0.999	>0.999	0.138
FVCsit (%) [†]	27.8 ± 17.7	17.8 ± 11.7	16.0 ± 14.1	<0.001	>0.999	0.002	<0.001
FVCsup (%) [†]	26.5 ± 16.8	16.9 ± 11.6	14.7 ± 10.5	<0.001	>0.999	<0.001	<0.001
MIC (mL)	1565 ± 598	1280 ± 511	1050 ± 448	0.004	0.088	<0.001	<0.001
PCF (L/min)	161 ± 73	110 ± 78	83 ± 73	<0.001	0.291	<0.001	<0.001
APCF (L/min)	283 ± 86	237 ± 84	227 ± 105	0.003	>0.999	0.012	0.001
MIPsit (%) [†]	28.6 ± 17.7	16.7 ± 10.9	13.1 ± 8.1	<0.001	0.339	<0.001	<0.001
MIPsup (%) [†]	28.2 ± 16.0	16.6 ± 11.1	13.2 ± 7.8	<0.001	0.394	<0.001	<0.001
MEPsit (%) [†]	18.0 ± 9.5	12.0 ± 8.3	10.8 ± 7.0	<0.001	>0.999	<0.001	<0.001
MEPsup (%) [†]	17.6 ± 8.9	12.6 ± 9.4	10.5 ± 6.4	0.002	0.765	<0.001	<0.001

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