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9. სტატიას თან უნდა ახლდეს: ა) დაწესებულების ან სამეცნიერო ხელმძღვანელის წარდგინება, დამოწმებული ხელმოწერითა და ბეჭდით; ბ) დარგის სპეციალისტის დამოწმებული რეცეზია, რომელშიც მითითებული იქნება საკითხის აქტუალობა, მასალის საკმაობა, მეთოდის სანდოობა, შედეგების სამეცნიერო-პრაქტიკული მნიშვნელობა.

10. სტატიის ბოლოს საჭიროა ყველა ავტორის ხელმოწერა, რომელთა რაოდენობა არ უნდა აღემატებოდეს 5-ს.

11. რედაქტორი იტოვებს უფლებას შეასწოროს სტატიას. ტექსტშე მუშაობა და შეჯერება ხდება საავტორო ორიგინალის მიხედვით.

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Abstract.

Background and Aim: The relationship between calcium, 1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D and serum uric acid levels in thyroid patients involves complex physiological mechanisms. This study aimed to evaluate the association of serum calcium and 25-hydroxyvitamin D with serum uric acid concentrations in individuals with hypothyroidism.

Methodology: A Cross-sectional study conducted in Thumbay Hospital in Ajman UAE on 180 male and female with hypothyroidism and normal individuals, the study subjects divided into five age categories: 21-30, 31-40, 41-50, 51-60 and >60 years. The concentrations of calcium and uric acid in the samples measured by Beckman Coulter and DxI Analyzer, for the thyroid hormones and 25-hydroxyvitamin D (25-OH Vitamin D) tests used DxI Analyzer. The results analyzed by SPSS version 26, the mean and SD obtained, and "t" test independent, one-way ANOVA and Linear regression used for correlation and P value obtained to assess the significance of the results (p value of < 0.05 was significant).

Results: Among 180 participants, no significant difference age was seen between hypothyroid patients and controls ($p = 0.959$). Hypothyroid patients showed markedly elevated TSH ($p < 0.001$) and reduced FT4 ($p = 0.001$), calcium ($p < 0.001$), and vitamin D ($p = 0.012$) levels, while uric acid increased significantly ($p = 0.015$). Correlation analysis showed a weak negative association between uric acid and TSH ($r = -0.082$). Uric acid was higher in males ($p = 0.016$), while calcium revealed significant differences across age groups ($p = 0.011$), showed age-related alterations in calcium metabolism.

Conclusion: This study showed significant associations between calcium, 25-hydroxyvitamin D and serum uric acid levels in individuals with hypothyroidism. The negative correlations between uric acid and both calcium and 25-hydroxyvitamin D underscore the complex metabolic interactions characteristic of hypothyroidism.

Key words. Calcium, vitamin D, uric acid, hypothyroidism, TSH.

Introduction.

The thyroid gland plays a crucial role in controlling development, metabolism, and other body processes [1]. Thyroxine (T4) and triiodothyronine (T3) are the primary thyroid hormones that regulate cellular metabolism, affecting all tissues and organ systems [1]. Thyrotropin-releasing hormone (TRH) from the hypothalamus stimulates the anterior pituitary gland to produce thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH), and their production is a complex process controlled by the hypothalamus-pituitary-thyroid (HPT) axis [2,3]. The body's management of calcium levels is a closely checked process, important roles in this control are played by vitamin D and parathyroid hormones (PTH) [4]. PTH is secreted by the parathyroid glands and regulates the blood calcium levels by acting on the kidneys, intestines, and bones. PTH encourages the activation of vitamin D, improves calcium reabsorption in the kidneys and accelerates the release of calcium from bones [5,6]. Vitamin D circulates in the blood in form 25-hydroxyvitamin D and is essential for controlling the body's calcium levels, bone health, immune system function, and the control of inflammatory reactions [7]. A balanced inflammatory state may be supported with the help of best vitamin D levels, which have been related to changing and controlling inflammatory reactions. 25-hydroxyvitamin D levels are commonly measured as a means of finding an individual's vitamin D status [8]. Calcium levels are not directly regulated by calcidiol (25-hydroxyvitamin D), even though it is a precursor of calcitriol (1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D), the physiologically active form of vitamin D that does. The regulation of renal function by thyroid hormones affects the excretion of many chemicals including uric acid, some of the studies revealed that the blood uric acid levels of people with subclinical hypothyroidism are much greater than those of healthy people [9]. Reduced thyroid hormone levels in hypothyroidism may affect renal function which may result in less uric acid being excreted and hence higher blood levels [10,11]. Our study through well planned trials is necessary to understand the connections between blood uric acid levels, calcitriol, and calcium in hypothyroidism.

Materials and Methods.

Laboratory-based cross-sectional study conducted at Thumbay Hospital, Ajman, included 180 male and female newly diagnosed, untreated hypothyroid patients and excluding those on thyroid hormone replacement therapy, chronic kidney disease, gout medications and vitamin D or calcium supplements. The Institutional Review Board of Gulf Medical University approved the study (Ref. no. IRB-COHS-STD-17-JAN-2024), and a signed informed consent was obtained from all participants after explaining the details of the study objectives and the risks and benefits of participating in the study. The age of participants ranged between 21 to 73 years, and participants classified into five age categories: (21-30), (31-40), (41-50), (51-60), > 60 years. Serum-separating gel tubes are used to collect blood specimens. The concentrations of calcium (Ca) and uric acid (UA) in the samples measured by Beckman Coulter and DxI Analyzer, the quantification of Calcium and Uric Acid levels is achieved by the application of photometric measuring methods, in photometry the absorbance of a sample's constituents at different wavelengths of light is measured and is correlated with the sample's concentration. For the thyroid hormonal and the 25-hydroxyvitamin D (25-OH Vitamin D) tests conducted using DxI Analyzer, this analyzer is an automated immunoassay method called Electro-Chemiluminescent Immunoassay (ECLIA), the validation procedure is done according to CAP and ECLIA for precision, accuracy, and linearity. The results analysed by SPSS version 26 (IBM, Armonk, NY, USA), mean and standard deviation were calculated; independent t-test, Chi-squares, one-way analysis of variance statistical tests were used for comparison, and linear regression was used for comparison and correlation analysis. The p-value was obtained to assess the significance of the results when a p-value of <0.05 was considered significant.

Results.

This study was conducted on 180 participants, including male and female patients with hypothyroidism and healthy controls. The mean of age showed no significant difference between hypothyroidism patients (49.84 ± 17.27) and healthy individuals (47.91 ± 16.27) ($p = 0.959$) (Table 1). The mean of Thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH) levels significantly increased in hypothyroidism patients ($18.10 \pm 20.68 \mu\text{IU}/\text{mL}$) than healthy individuals ($1.85 \pm 0.79 \mu\text{IU}/\text{mL}$, $p < 0.001$), while the mean of free thyroxine (FT4) decreased in hypothyroidism patients (12.47 ± 3.70) compared to ($15.65 \pm 2.40 \text{ pmol}/\text{L}$) in healthy individuals ($p = 0.001$). Observed from these results significant reduced in the mean of calcium levels in hypothyroidism patients ($9.08 \pm 0.61 \text{ mg}/\text{dL}$) compared to healthy individuals ($9.36 \pm 0.32 \text{ mg}/\text{dL}$) with p . value < 0.001 , for serum 25-hydroxyvitamin D observed decreased the mean of hypothyroidism patients ($19.99 \pm 9.74 \text{ ng}/\text{mL}$) than in the mean of healthy individuals ($34.64 \pm 13.06 \text{ ng}/\text{mL}$, $p = 0.012$). Conversely, the uric acid means levels ($5.55 \pm 1.50 \text{ mg}/\text{dL}$) increased among hypothyroidism patients compared to the healthy individuals ($4.79 \pm 1.09 \text{ mg}/\text{dL}$, $p = 0.015$) (Table 2). A Pearson correlation analysis showed a weak negative relationship between serum uric acid, TSH and FT4 ($r = -0.082$, $p = 0.441$), ($r = 0.005$, $p = 0.966$) respectively (Table 3). The scatter plot analyses showed strong inverse

relationships between serum uric acid and both calcium and 25-hydroxy vitamin D levels. Increased concentrations of uric acid revealed strong negative correlation with the calcium levels ($r = -0.847$, $p = 0.0$). Similarly, uric acid levels were inversely associated with 25 OH vitamin D showed a significant negative correlation ($r = -0.706$, $p < 0.001$). In both cases, the linear regression lines further confirmed that higher uric acid values correspond to progressively lower calcium and 25 OH vitamin D levels (Figures 1 and 2). Among hypothyroid patients 54 had normal and 36 had elevated uric acid levels, 12 males and 42 females had normal levels while 16 males and 20 females showed elevated levels of uric acid metabolism. Gender-based comparisons revealed raised mean TSH in females ($20.49 \pm 23.58 \mu\text{IU}/\text{mL}$) than males ($12.83 \pm 10.55 \mu\text{IU}/\text{mL}$) ($p = 0.104$) and FT4 significantly higher in males ($13.70 \pm 3.41 \text{ pmol}/\text{L}$) than females ($11.91 \pm 3.72 \text{ pmol}/\text{L}$, $p = 0.033$). Calcium ($p = 0.205$) and vitamin D ($p = 0.777$) no significant gender differences, while uric acid significantly increased in males ($6.11 \pm 1.62 \text{ mg}/\text{dL}$) than females ($5.30 \pm 1.38 \text{ mg}/\text{dL}$) ($p = 0.016$) (Table 4 and Figure 3). Across age groups, TSH, FT4, vitamin D and uric acid showed no significant difference but the calcium levels differed significantly increased the mean of patients aged 51–60 years ($9.33 \pm 0.61 \text{ mg}/\text{dL}$) and decreased in those > 60 years ($8.73 \pm 0.69 \text{ mg}/\text{dL}$) ($p = 0.011$) (Table 5 and Figure 2).

Discussion.

Our study revealed significant results obtained from the evaluation of biochemical markers in patients with hypothyroidism, because blood calcium and uric acid levels are inversely correlated, hypothyroidism patients a raised in uric acid levels as their calcium levels declined. This adverse connection showed underlying hypothyroidism-related metabolic abnormalities, which could have therapeutic ramifications. In this study we discovered that individuals with hypothyroidism often had total serum calcium levels between (8.5 and 10.3 mg/dL), which is below normal. This result is aligned with another study that found hypocalcemia to be a prevalent trait in individuals with hypothyroidism. For example, a study conducted by Kaur et al. (2018) discovered that low blood calcium levels are often linked to hypothyroidism because of reduced intestinal absorption of calcium and poor bone resorption [12]. The decrease of calcium levels in our results provided more evidence that a thyroid hormone insufficient had a negative effect on calcium metabolism. Within our study sample, 25-(OH)-Vitamin D levels varied from deficient ($<20 \text{ ng}/\text{mL}$) to insufficient ($21\text{--}29 \text{ ng}/\text{mL}$), with only a small number of individuals achieved normal levels ($30\text{--}100 \text{ ng}/\text{mL}$). This is consistent with the results of Mackawy et al. (2013), who found that patients with hypothyroidism had a significant rate of vitamin D insufficiency. In hypothyroidism a vitamin D shortage can worsen the condition's already impaired calcium metabolism, which might result in further issues [13]. Our results focused on the need to routinely check vitamin D levels in hypothyroid individuals and imply that supplements could be helpful. According to our study, many hypothyroidism patients had uric acid levels that were higher above the adult normal range (3.4–7.0 mg/dL for male and 2.4–6.0 mg/dL for female). This finding is consistent with the study conducted by

Table 1. Characteristics of study subjects.

Characteristics	Study subjects		P-value
	Hypothyroidism N=90	Healthy individuals N=90	
Age	Mean \pm SD/ years	49.84 \pm 17.27	47.91 \pm 16.27
	Range / years	(21 - 95)	(18 - 79)
Gender	Number of Patients participants	Male Female	28 62
			28 62

• *T. independent test: used to obtain P. value.*

• *Chi square test: used to obtain P. value.*

• *P.value < 0.05 (significance)*

Table 2. Comparison of Mean TSH, FT4, Calcium, 25-Hydroxyvitamin D and Uric Acid Levels Between Hypothyroid Patients and Healthy individuals.

Parameters	Study subjects (Mean \pm SD)		P-value
	Hypothyroidism N= 90	Healthy individuals N=90	
TSH uIU/mL	18.10 \pm 20.68	1.85 \pm 0.79	<0.001
FT4 pmol/L	12.47 \pm 3.70	15.65 \pm 2.40	0.001
Calcium mg/dL	9.08 \pm 0.61	9.363 \pm 0.32	<0.001
25 OH vitamin D ng/mL	19.99 \pm 9.74	34.64 \pm 13.06	0.012
Uric acid mg/dl	5.55 \pm 1.50	4.79 \pm 1.09	0.015

• *T. independent test: used to obtain P. value.*

• *P.value < 0.05 (significance).*

Table 3. Pearson Correlation of Uric Acid with TSH and FT4 Levels in Hypothyroid Patients.

Parameters		Uric acid (mg/dL)	TSH (uIU/mL)	FT4 (pmol/L)
Uric Acid (mg/dL)	Pearson Correlation	1	-.082	.005
	Sig. (2-tailed)	-	.441	.966
	N	90	90	90
TSH (uIU/mL)	Pearson Correlation	-.082	1	-.478**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.441	-	<.001
	N	90	90	90
FT4 (pmol/L)	Pearson Correlation	.005	-.478**	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.966	<.001	-
	N	90	90	90

• *Pearson's Correlation.*

• *P.value < 0.05 (significance).*

Table 4. Comparison of Mean TSH, FT4, Calcium, 25-Hydroxyvitamin D and Uric Acid Levels by Gender.

Parameters	Gender Mean \pm SD		P-value
	Males N= 28	Females N=62	
TSH; uIU/mL (mean \pm SD)	12.83 \pm 10.55	20.49 \pm 23.58	0.104
FT4 pmol/L	13.70 \pm 3.41	11.91 \pm 3.72	0.033
Calcium mg/dL	9.20 \pm 0.64	9.03 \pm 0.59	0.205
25 OH D ng/mL	20.43 \pm 10.80	19.80 \pm 9.31	0.777
Uric Acid mg/dl	6.11 \pm 1.62	5.30 \pm 1.38	0.016

• *T. independent test: used to obtain P. value.*

• *P.value < 0.05 (significance).*

Table 5. Comparison of Mean TSH, FT4, Calcium, 25-Hydroxyvitamin D and Uric Acid Levels by Age Groups.

Parameters	Age categories (Mean \pm SD)					P-value
	21-30 years N= 13	31-40 years N= 16	41-50 years N= 19	51-60 years N= 19	> 60 years N= 23	
TSH uIU/mL	25.80 \pm 32.17	15.15 \pm 8.71	13.03 \pm 11.21	13.79 \pm 20.41	23.56 \pm 23.65	0.223
FT4 pmol/L	11.09 \pm 3.58	12.0 \pm 2.93	12.30 \pm 4.55	13.61 \pm 3.27	12.76 \pm 3.79	0.407
Calcium mg/dL	9.0 \pm 0.51	9.15 \pm 0.46	9.25 \pm 0.53	9.33 \pm 0.61	8.73 \pm 0.69	0.011
25 OH D ng/mL	18.68 \pm 4.96	21.34 \pm 14.50	15.59 \pm 6.03	24.36 \pm 12.40	19.82 \pm 5.96	0.079
Uric Acid mg/dl	5.0 \pm 1.59	5.60 \pm 1.43	5.38 \pm 1.02	5.58 \pm 1.27	5.93 \pm 1.93	0.480

• *One-way ANOVA: used to obtain P. value P.value < 0.05 (significance)*

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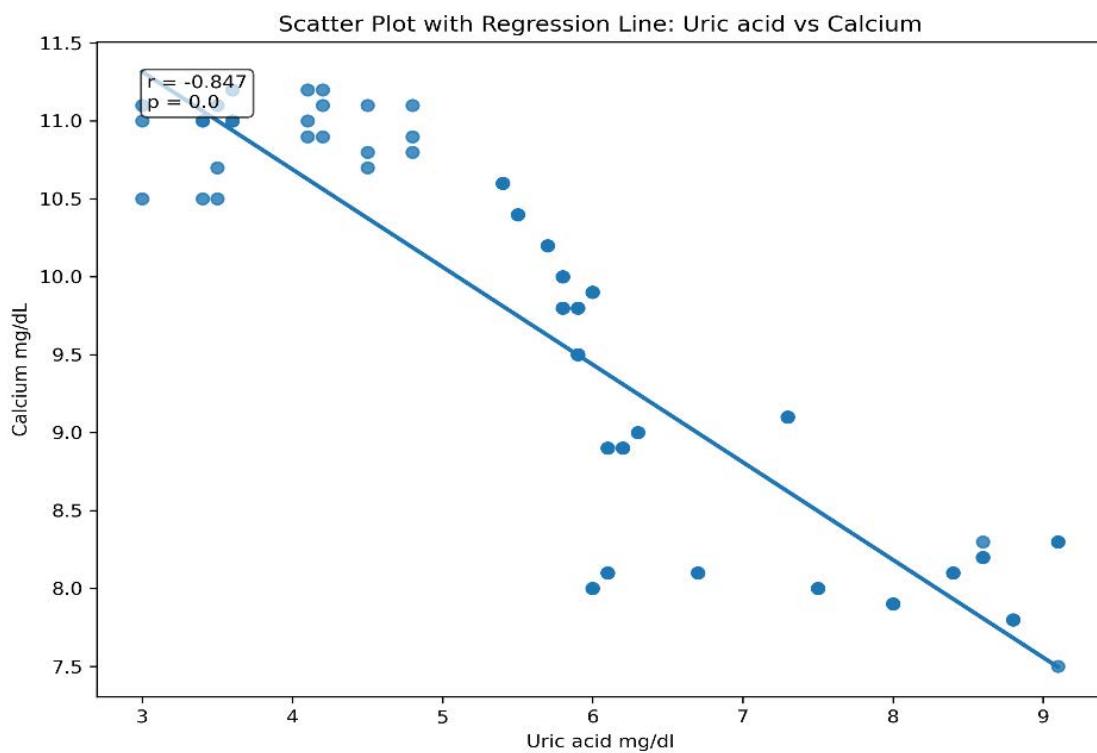


Figure 1. Strong Negative Correlation Between Uric Acid and Calcium Levels ($R = -0.847$, $P < 0.001$).

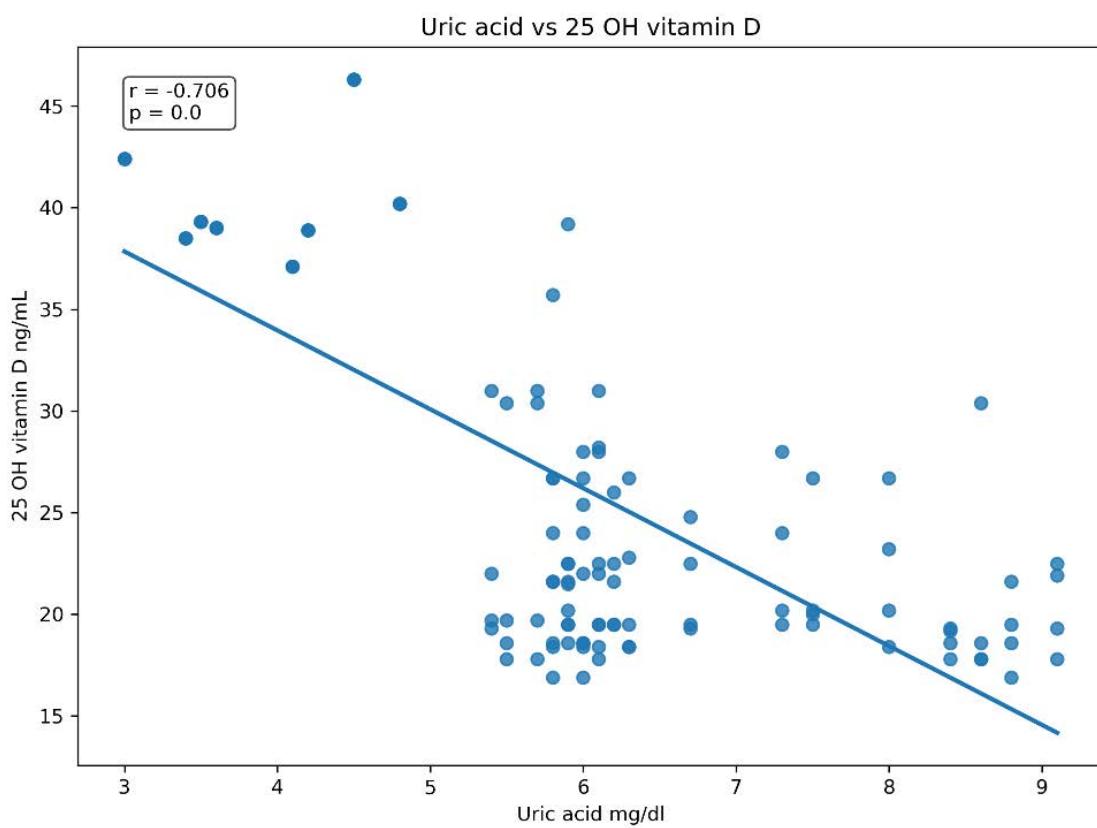


Figure 2. Negative Correlation Between Uric Acid and 25-OH Vitamin D Levels ($R = -0.706$, $P < 0.001$).

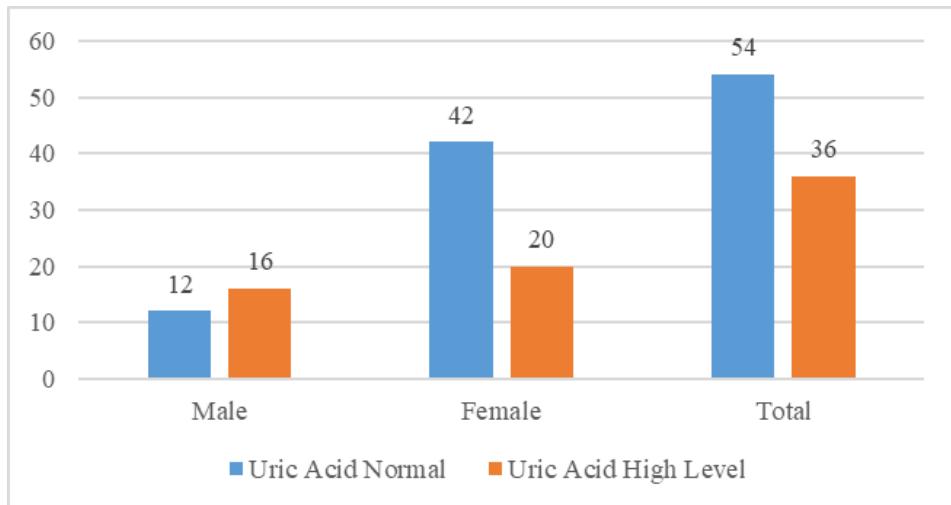


Figure 3. Distribution of Uric Acid Levels According to Gender.

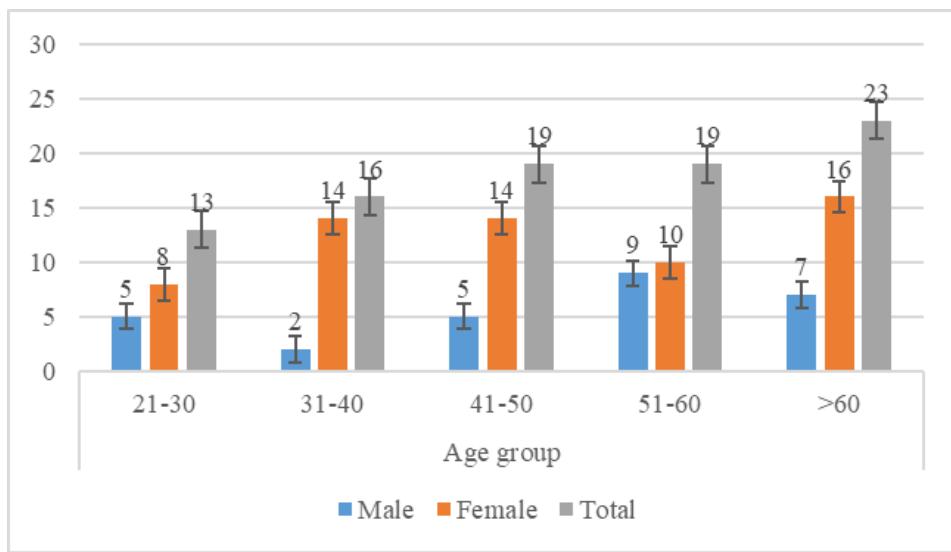


Figure 4. Distribution of Patients According to Age Group and Gender.

Choudhury et al. (2017), which found that hypothyroidism often results in hyperuricemia because of reduced uric acid clearance by the kidneys [14]. The significance of uric acid monitoring in these patients is underscored by the higher uric acid levels in our patients, which may show a predisposition to gout and other uric acid- related diseases in persons with hypothyroidism. Our results revealed a substantial negative relationship between blood calcium and uric acid levels, showing that people with hypothyroidism may have greater uric acid levels when their calcium levels are lower. The study of Al-Jurayyan et al. (2014), which also found an inverse association between calcium and uric acid levels in individuals with metabolic diseases, can be used to support this conclusion [15]. Furthermore, we found that there was a negative relationship between uric acid and 25-hydroxyvitamin D levels. Studies show that vitamin D supplementation can affect uric acid metabolism and are consistent with this link. It may do so via enhancing renal function and lowering inflammation (Nimitphong H et al., 2021) [16]. Our results have important therapeutic ramifications. Osteomalacia and hyperuricemia are two consequences of

hypothyroidism that must be avoided by controlling calcium and vitamin D levels. Consistent observation and suitable supplementation of these nutrients may enhance the results for patients. Our study showed that managing these metabolic abnormalities ought to be a key part of treating hypothyroidism. The results of this investigation added to the increased amount of data about the intricate interactions among uric acid, calcium, and vitamin D in individuals with hypothyroidism. Comprehending these correlations is important in formulated focused therapies aimed at enhancing the general health and welfare of hypothyroid individuals.

Conclusion.

Significant negative relationships between calcium, 25-hydroxyvitamin D and serum uric acid levels in individuals with hypothyroidism showed by this study. The complex metabolic relationship in hypothyroidism is focused by the inverse correlations between uric acid and calcium as well as uric acid and 25-hydroxyvitamin D.

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