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## The prevalence of metabolic syndrome in Punjabi community of New Delhi- a community survey

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**Background & Aim:** Metabolic Syndrome (MetS) is an inter-linked quartet of factors- abdominal obesity, type 2 diabetes, hypertension, and dyslipidemia. The aim of the study was to find out the prevalence of MetS in Punjabi community among individuals of age group 18-55 years.

**Methods:** The socio-demographic and lifestyle characteristics of subjects along with data for anthropometric measurements and metabolic profile were extracted to distinguish subjects with MetS using IDF (International Diabetes Federation) criterion by organizing health camp in Gurudwara, New Delhi.

**Results:** The incidence of MetS was 26.10% among Punjabi community, it peaked to 56.96% in 50-55 years of age and dropped to 4.5% in 18-24 years. The statistical analysis presented an association and significant difference among MetS and Non-MetS patients for variables waist circumference, BMI (Body Mass Index), blood pressure, total triglycerides, fasting blood glucose, HDL (High Density Lipoprotein), and LDL (Low Density Lipoprotein) cholesterol at  $p < 0.01$ , except for physical activity score using Chi-square test and t-test.

**Conclusion:** Punjabi community is susceptible to MetS due to its genetic predisposition and affluent lifestyle and early diagnosis may help manage its implications and further investigation must be done to demarcate MetS, especially in the primary care setting.

### Recent Publications

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