# Endocrine





Chief Complain: increased thirst		
Questions	Indications	
1- Has there been any recent weight loss?		
2- Have you noticed an increased appetite lately?		
3- Have you been urinating more than usual?	ask about the amount, character, color, smell, nocturia, lower urinary tract symptoms (LUTS)	
4- Have you been feeling tired lately?		
5- Have you had blurred vision?		
6- Do you have recurrent infections?		
7- Do you have sores that don't heal?		
8- do you have numbness and tingling sensation?		
Predisposing factors:		
Have you had any viral infections recently?	Type 1 DM	
Obesity, lack of physical activity and poor diet, smoking	Type 2 DM	
Medication	Thiazides, Statins can predispose to diabetes	
Family history:		
<ul> <li>Are there any family members with insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus?</li> </ul>	Type 1 DM	

Are there any family members with autoimmune conditions?	
<ul> <li>Does your mother or father have diabetes?</li> <li>Are there any other family members with diabetes? (grandparents, aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters, etc.)</li> </ul>	Type 2 DM

## **Differential diagnosis**

- DM types 1 and 2
- Diabetes insipidus
- Urinary tract infection
- Secondary diabetes
- Maturity-onset diabetes of the young

## Investigation

Type 1	Type 2
Diagnosis is made based upon:  Classical type 1 diabetes symptoms – weight loss, ketoacidosis, polyuria, polydipsea etc  Hyperglycaemia – (fasting glucose >7 mmol/L) or (random glucose >11.1 mmol/L)	Symptoms of type 2 diabetes as well as one of the following: <ul> <li>Fasting glucose ≥ 7mmol/L</li> <li>Random glucose ≥ 11.1mmol/L</li> <li>Oral Glucose Tolerance         Test ≥11.1mmol/L</li> </ul> If no symptoms present raised glucose should be demonstrated on 2 occasions
<b>Ketones</b> – can be checked to assess if patient has ketoacidosis	
Antibodies – shouldn't be used for diagnosis but may be helpful in differentiating type 1 & type 2	

#### Management

Type 1	Type 2
All patients with type 1 diabetes require insulin replacement therapy	<ul><li>✓ Lifestyle Changes</li><li>✓ Metformin (biguanides)</li><li>✓ Sulfonylureas</li><li>✓ Thiazolidinediones</li></ul>
	✓ Insulin

### **Complications**

- Diabetic nephropathy
- Diabetic retinopathy
- Diabetic neuropathy
- Diabetic foot

#### **Helpful link:**

Here are question to ask person with diabetes (If the diagnosis was made)

https://en.wikiversity.org/wiki/Diabetic\_History\_(OSCE)



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