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## ABBREVIATIONS

DM:	Diabetes Mellitus;
T2DM:	TYPE II Diabetes Mellitus;
IDDM:	Insulin dependent diabetes mellitus;
NIDDM:	Non insulin dependent diabetes mellitus;
BMI:	Body Mass Index;
WHO:	World Health Organisation;
PFTs:	Pulmonary Function Tests;
FVC:	Forced Vital Capacity;
FEV1:	Forced Expiratory Volume in 1 <sup>st</sup> second;
FEV1/FVC%:	Forced Expiratory Volume in 1 <sup>st</sup> second/Forced Vital Capacity ratio;
PEFR:	Peak Expiratory Flow Rate;
OPD:	Out Patient Department
IPD:	In Patient Department
FBS:	Fasting Blood Sugar;
BSPP:	Blood Sugar Post Prandial.
SD:	Standard Deviation;
β:	Beta cells;
α:	Alpha cells.

# ***INTRODUCTION***

## INTRODUCTION

Diabetes mellitus is a group of metabolic disorders characterized by high blood glucose levels (hyperglycemia) due to problems with insulin secretion, insulin action, or both. <sup>[1]</sup>

It is classified into several types, with the two main types being Type I and Type II diabetes.

Type I Diabetes Mellitus also known as insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus (IDDM), is typically caused by an autoimmune response that leads to the destruction of insulin-producing beta cells in the pancreas. As a result, the body doesn't produce enough insulin, and individuals with Type I diabetes require lifelong insulin therapy to control their blood sugar levels. <sup>[2-3]</sup>

On the other hand, Type II Diabetes Mellitus previously referred to as non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus (NIDDM) or adult-onset diabetes, is characterized by insulin resistance. In this condition, the body doesn't effectively use insulin, leading to elevated blood glucose levels. Type II diabetes is the most common form of diabetes, accounting for more than 95% of all diabetes cases. Historically, it was predominantly observed in adults, but it is now increasingly being diagnosed in children as well <sup>[4-5]</sup>

It's important to note that these are just general descriptions, and each individual's experience with diabetes may vary. Diabetes management involves various strategies, including medication, lifestyle modifications, and regular monitoring of blood sugar levels.

MODY (Maturity onset diabetes of the young), occurs when cells function of insulin activity are genetically deficient. It constitutes about 5% of all cases of diabetes. It is the Type 2 form of Diabetes Mellitus in youngish individualizes. Eleven types of MODY have lately seen. MODY 1 to MODY 11. Most common among them is MODY 3 that accounts for 20-75%. It happens as a result of a mutation in the HNF1- alpha gene (gene for hepatocyte nuclear factor 1 alpha). MODY 2 is the second most prevalent that accounts for 10-65%. It occurs due to mutation of glucokinase gene. Other forms of MODYs are less common. <sup>[2]</sup>

The prevalence of diabetes mellitus is a global issue, but it is more common in advanced European nations, the United States, and the Middle East. Asian Indians have one of the highest rates of diabetes in the world. <sup>[4-6]</sup>

According to the World Health Organisation, the total number of people living with diabetes is expected to reach 643 million by 2030 and 783 million by 2045. Three out of every four diabetics live in low- and middle-income nations. [7-8] Type 2 diabetes mellitus affects 2.4% of the rural population and 11.6% of the urban population in India.

Diabetes has 66.8 million patients in India in 2014, with a raw national prevalence (%) of 8.56. Diabetes is expected to be the seventh largest cause of death by 2030, according to the WHO. [9]

Changes in lifestyle, increasing calorie intake, sedentary lifestyle, junk food, environmental factors, and a stressful existence are some of the factors contributing to the rise in diabetes in India. [10]

Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus is associated with long-term damage, organ failure, and problems caused mostly by macro and micro-vascular damage and nerve damage. [1-11]

Diabetes micro-vascular complications, particularly retinopathy, nephropathy, and neuropathy, have long been recognised and handled in a variety of ways. However, diabetes-related microangiopathy may impair the alveolar capillary network in the lung, which is a big micro-vascular unit. This points to the lungs as a "**Target organ**" in Diabetes Mellitus. [11-12]

Diabetic retinopathy is a crucial cause of blindness and occurs as a result of long-term accumulated damage to the small blood vessels in the retina. Diabetes has rendered nearly one million individuals blind. [13]

The Pulmonary Function Tests (PFTs) are the primary tests used to assess an individual's physiological breathing performance. Pulmonary function tests (PFTs) are non-invasive physiologic tests used to determine how well the lungs work. The strength of respiratory muscles, compliance of the thoracic cavity, airway resistance, and elastic recoil of the lungs all influence pulmonary functioning. Because there is no single "normal" value or range for pulmonary function measurements, each one is unique. These metrics change depending on socio-demographic factors and anthropometric traits. [14]

The lung complications of type II diabetes mellitus mostly affect the mechanical aspects of the organ, with the restrictive pattern of lung complaint being the most common; these effects are reported by using Spirometry and measuring the forced vital capacity and forced expiratory volume in the first second, as well as the ratio between these two. [15]

Spirometry (means ‘measuring the breath’) is the most common of the pulmonary function tests (PFTs) which measures mechanical lung function, specifically the amount (volume) and/or speed (flow) of air that can be inhaled and exhaled.<sup>[11]</sup>

FVC: Forced vital capacity is the volume of air that can be quickly expelled with maximum force after a maximum inspiration.

FEV1 is the amount of air expelled in the first second of maximal expiration following a maximal inhalation. It is measured in L/sec.<sup>[16]</sup>

The ratio of FEV1 /FVC is a more sensitive indicator of airway obstruction than FVC or FEV alone. FEV1/FVC% gives a clinically useful index of air flow limitation.

Peak expiratory flow Rate (PEFR) refers to mechanical properties of the lung, like lung compliance and elastic recoil of lungs and reflecting larger airway function. It is the maximum speed of expiration, as measured with a peak flow meter.<sup>[14-16]</sup>

Pulmonary function tests decreased with rising FBS and PPBS, highlighting the pulmonary system as one of the Type-2 DM target organs.<sup>[17]</sup>

#### **Criteria for diagnosis of DM:**

American Diabetes Association Standards (ADA) Guidelines<sup>[4-11-18]</sup>

- a) Post Prandial Blood Sugar  $\geq 200$  mg/dl
- b) Fasting blood sugar  $\geq 126$  mg/dl

The World Health Organization (WHO) says Body Mass Index (BMI) is constantly used to identify obesity trends in a population.<sup>[19]</sup>

The formula used for BMI is weight in kilograms divided by height in meters squared = **BMI= Kg/m<sup>2</sup>**

BMI  $< 18.5$  kg/m<sup>2</sup> is considered underweight,

BMI  $< 25$  kg/m<sup>2</sup> is considered normal,

BMI  $\geq 25$  kg/m<sup>2</sup> is considered overweight, and

BMI  $\geq 30$  kg/m<sup>2</sup> is considered obese.

World health organisation (WHO) also recommend BMI as the most useful population position measure of overweight and obesity, and is used as the same for the both sexes and in all ages of grown-ups.<sup>[20]</sup>



**FIGURE -1 : SPIROMETER- PulmOne OF OUR RESPIRATORY MEDICINE DEPARTMENT OF INTEGRAL INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCE & RESEARCH, LUCKNOW (IIMS&R) (U.P.)**

*REVIEW  
OF  
LITERATURE*

## REVIEW OF LITERATURE

1. A. Aparna et al, performed a cross-sectional and retrospective study in the year 2013 on **“Pulmonary Function Tests in Type 2 Diabetics and Non-Diabetic People -A Comparative Study”**. 40 were case group and 40 were control group out of total 80 patients. It says that FVC, FEV1 and PEFr were significantly reduced in type 2 diabetics as compared to those in controls and FEV1/FVC % was significantly increased in type 2 diabetics as compared to that in controls. The increased FEV1/FVC % suggested that the impairment of pulmonary functions in type 2 diabetics was primarily restrictive in nature.
2. Kalappan M., et al. performed a case control study in the year 2016 on **“Study on comparison of pulmonary function tests among diabetic and non-diabetic patients in a tertiary care hospital”**. In this he also focused on PFTs changes in diabetic smokers and non smokers. Study was among 100 sample patients equally distributed into 50-50 diabetic and non diabetic groups. The study revealed significant reduction in pulmonary functions among diabetics and also revealed significant impact of diabetes on pulmonary function independent of smoking.
3. Dhungel A, et.al performed a cross sectional comparative study in 2016 on **“Pulmonary Function Test among Diabetic and Non-Diabetic”**. He has taken 182 subjects, 91 Type 2 Diabetes-study groups, 91 Healthy-controls selected. Parameters were- FEV1, FVC, FEV1/FVC ratio, and PEFr. It shows that mean age of the patients in diabetic and non- diabetic group was as (53.1±5.9 vs. 51.3±11.4). The mean values of FVC, FEV1, and PEFr were statistically different between the two groups. The mean FVC falls dramatically as the duration of DM increases; however, this is not true for FEV1, FEV1/FVC%, or PEFr. When compared to the non-diabetic group, the diabetic group had considerably lower pulmonary function tests such as FEV1, FVC, and PEFr.
4. Shweta, A. K. Santa et.al, performed a case - control study in 2019 on **“A Comparative Study of Pulmonary Function Tests Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus and Non-Diabetes”**. 80 male subjects, 40 Type 2 Diabetes-study group, 40 Healthy-controls selected with age group of 40-55yrs. Parameters were- Forced vital capacity (FVC), Forced Expiratory Volume in 1st sec (FEV1), FEV1/FVC ratio, Forced Expiratory Flow in middle half of FVC (FEF 25-75%) and Peak

Expiratory Flow Rate (PEFR). Study group showed statistically greater percentage reduction in FVC, FEV<sub>1</sub>, FEV<sub>1</sub>/FVC and PEFV<sub>1</sub> compared to control group. Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus may be a contributing factor to lung function abnormalities due to changed connective tissue, thickening of the basal lamina of the alveolar membrane and capillary endothelium, loss of bronchomotor tone, and respiratory muscle weakness.

5. Gangisetty SRG, Devarmani SS, et.al, performed a cross sectional study in 2018 on **“Study of Pulmonary Function in Patient with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus”**. In this study he has taken 73 subjects in the diabetic group, 42 were males and 31 were females. And in the control group, 44 were males and 29 were females out of the 73. Patients in both the case and control groups were age and gender matched. Male and female FEV<sub>1</sub>, FVC, and FEV<sub>1</sub> / FVC were compared. FEV<sub>1</sub> and FVC were shown to be statistically insignificant. However, the mean FEV<sub>1</sub>/FVC ratio was 114.3 in males and 121.9 in females, with a significant p value of 0.018. PFT patterns were graded as mild, moderate, severe limitation, normal, normal with early sign of airway obstruction (ESAO), or normal with no restriction. The majority of controls (50% of total) had normal PFTs, whereas the majority of cases (37% each) had mild and moderate restrictive patterns. There were no diabetics identified with ESAO.
6. In 2017, Selvaraj S, Durai G, et.al performed a cross-sectional study titled **"A comparative study on pulmonary function tests in type 2 diabetics and non-diabetics in a tertiary care centre- Kanyakumari."** He recruited 100 patients between the ages of 30 and 50, 50 of whom had type 2 diabetes and 50 of whom had not. In his study, both FEV<sub>1</sub> and FVC were reduced in diabetics, with FVC being reduced more than FEV<sub>1</sub>, resulting in an increase in FEV<sub>1</sub>/FVC% and a significant 'p' value. Patients with diabetes have 14% normal pulmonary function tests, 80% have restrictive lung disease, and 6% have obstructive lung disease. In non-diabetics, 78% have normal lung disease, 12% have restrictive lung disease, and 10% have obstructive lung disease.
7. Pawar D., Pawar S., et al. conducted a case - control study on **"A comparative Study of Pulmonary Function Test (PFT) among Diabetic Cases and Matched Healthy Controls"** in 2015. The study included 110 individuals aged 31-50 years, with 55 previously diagnosed Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus patients (cases) and 55 healthy controls. FVC, FEV<sub>1</sub>, and FEV<sub>1</sub>% were chosen for the study and expressed as a percentage of expected normal values for age,

gender, and height using the Morris/Polgar Reference. Mean FVC, FEV1 was significantly lower in cases as compared to controls. Mean FEV1% was not significantly lower in cases as compared to controls. It concludes that the ventilator pulmonary function test results is showing restrictive lung disease pattern seems to be more likely due to type 2 diabetes.

8. Rajani M. et.al performed a cross-sectional descriptive study in the year 2013 on “**Study of Pulmonary Function Tests in Type-2 Diabetes Mellitus**”. He has taken 40 Type-2 diabetics patients of 35-55 years age group and 40 healthy controls of the same age group were taken as control group. Out of the total 40 patients, 19 were males and 21 were females. In the study there is a decrease in the FVC, FEV1, PEFr, FEF 25-75% in type 2 diabetic patients as compared to non-diabetic controls. But there is an increase in the FEV1/FVC ratio in case groups in comparison with the controls. Pulmonary functions were decreasing with the increasing FBS, Blood Sugar PP, which underlines the respiratory system as one of the target organs of Type-2 DM.
9. In the year 2023 Rajput S, et al. performed a Comparative Cross-Sectional Study on “**Assessment of Pulmonary Functions and Dysfunctions in Type II Diabetes Mellitus:**” 100 people were taken 50-50 participants with and without type II diabetes mellitus. Pulmonary function parameters, including forced expiratory volume in one second (FEV1), forced vital capacity (FVC), FEV1 as a percentage of FVC in percentage (FEV1%), peak expiratory flow rate in L/second (PEFR). Except for FEV1% and PEFR, all PFT parameter values were lower in patients with diabetes mellitus compared to non-diabetics, indicating a heterogeneous pattern of lung dysfunction. FVC had a substantial negative connection with diabetes duration. Patients with type II diabetes mellitus had severe pulmonary impairment, with early involvement of restrictive factors.
10. Tesema D. et.al. performed a Comparative Cross-Sectional Study in the year 2019 on “**Pulmonary Function Tests and Their Associated Factors Among Type 2 Diabetic Patients**”. The total sample size for study was 298 patients, (149 type 2 diabetics and 149 Non-diabetic) with the aged group  $\geq 30$  Years. Parameter were Forced vital capacity (FVC), forced expiratory volume in one second (FEV1 ), ratio of FEV /FVC, peak expiratory flow rate (PEFR), and forced expiratory flow (FEF25–75) were recorded by using a digital Spirometer. The current investigation found that the means of the PFTs in type II diabetes were considerably lower than in non-diabetics.

***RESEARCH  
QUESTION***

## **RESEARCH QUESTION**

Is there any significant change in Pulmonary Function Tests in Type II Diabetic patients?

# ***HYPOTHESIS***

## **HYPOTHESIS**

### **NULL HYPOTHESIS (H<sub>0</sub>)**

There is no significant change of PFT in type 2 diabetic and non diabetic patients.

### **ALTERNATIVE HYPOTHESIS (H<sub>1</sub>)**

There is significant change of PFT in type 2 diabetic and non diabetic patients.

# ***AIM & OBJECTIVES***

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### **AIM**

Comparative study of Pulmonary Function Tests in Type 2 Diabetic and Non-Diabetic patients

### **OBJECTIVES**

- 1) To study the change in pulmonary functions of individuals with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus by performing Computerized Spirometry.
- 2) Comparison of pulmonary functions of diabetic with non-diabetic control group.

***MATERIAL***

***&***

***METHODS***

## **MATERIAL & METHODS**

### **STUDY DESIGN-**

A Case - Control study.

### **PLACE OF STUDY-**

The study was performed in the Department of Physiology at Integral Institute of Medical Science & Research, Lucknow (IIMS&R) (U.P.)

### **DURATION OF STUDY-**

Data collection – 4 Months

## **SUBJECT SELECTION -**

Participants with age group of 40 – 60 years were selected with similar number of age, sex and BMI matched. The sample size is 60, comprising 30 cases (diagnosed with type II Diabetes Mellitus of minimum 6 months duration) and 30 controls (non-diabetic patients). After obtaining written informed consent form from both cases and controls, detailed histories were collected and general examinations were undertaken. All patients were given a proforma seeking through personal and medical background information.

## **INCLUSION CRITERIA-**

1. Type II Diabetes Mellitus
2. Diabetics age group 40- 60 years
3. Diabetes Mellitus of minimum 6 month duration
4. Non- Diabetics
5. Non- Diabetics age group 40- 60 years

## **EXCLUSION CRITERIA-**

1. Age less than 40 years.
2. Patients refusal
3. History of any cardiac diseases,
4. Pregnant and lactating women.
5. History of any thoracic and abdominal tumors,
6. History of any abdominal or thoracic surgery in last 3 months,
7. Smokers
8. Primary lung diseases

## **COLLECTION OF DATA**

A case- control study will be carried out on subjects attending the OPD & IPD of Integral Institute of Medical Science & Research Lucknow.

Diagnosed subjects will be selected on the basis of inclusion and exclusion criteria and who are willing to participate and give written consent form.

PFTs of participants were done by Spirometer i.e. PulmOne in TB and Chest OPD & IPD of Integral Institute of Medical Science & Research, Lucknow.

## **PROCEDURE**

### **PFT**

After taking the anthropometric data, the subjects were informed about the entire maneuver. The subjects were encouraged to perform this maneuver before doing the pulmonary test. The test was performed with the subjects in the sitting position, by using a soft nose clip. The test was repeated three times after the subjects took complete rest and results were in print by using the inbuilt printer which was available in the spirometer. The values of parameters were FVC, FEV1, FEV1/ FVC and PEFV of the best maneuver were taken.

### **BMI**

Height and weight of the subjects will be measured using a standardized height and weight machine. For this, the subjects were in loose clothes and without shoes. Standing height will be measured to the nearest 0.5 cm. Body weight will be recorded in kilograms on an empty bladder and before lunch on a standardized measuring scale. The weight measurement will be recorded to the nearest 0.1 kg.

Revised guidelines for India:

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## **GLYCEMIC CONTROL**

Patients were diagnosed by using the following criteria: - <sup>[4]</sup>

1. Fasting blood sugar  $\geq 126 \text{ mg/dl}$
2. Blood Sugar PP  $\geq 200 \text{ mg/dl}$



**FIGURE-2: PATIENT PERFORMING THE PFT TEST IN OUR RESPIRATORY MEDICINE DEPARTMENT OF INTEGRAL INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCE & RESEARCH, LUCKNOW (IIMS&R) (U.P.)**

## SAMPLE SIZE

The sample size is calculated using the formula – [22]

$$n = \frac{(r+1)}{r} \frac{\sigma^2 (Z_{\beta} + Z_{\alpha/2})^2}{d^2}$$

n = Sample size

$(r+1)/r$  = ratio of controls to cases

$\sigma^2$  = standard deviation of the outcome variable (taken from previous study)

$Z_{\alpha/2}$  = represents the desired level of statistical significance

$Z_{\beta}$  = represent the desired power

$d^2$  = Expected mean difference

(Reference: Mother article- A.Aparna- India 2013 volume 7 issue 8)

$$\sigma = 1.87$$

$$r = 1$$

$$Z_{\beta} = 0.84$$

$$Z_{\alpha/2} = 1.96$$

$$\text{FEV1/FVC\%} = (d) = 0.99$$

The sample size for this case control study should be 60.

Type II Diabetes Mellitus = 30

Control Group = 30

## STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Statistical analysis is performed by using SPSS-22 statistical software. Comparative study of Pulmonary Function Tests in Type 2 Diabetic and Non-Diabetic patients. The values of parameters (FVC, FEV1, FEV1/FVC% and PEF) of the best maneuver were taken and the study parameter is calculated by using 'Independent t-test'. The result is presented as Mean  $\pm$ SD. P value of  $<0.05$  is taken as significant.

***OBSERVATIONS***  
***&***  
***RESULTS***

## RESULTS

The data represented as Mean  $\pm$  Standard deviation.

We have taken total sixty patients (n = 60) in our study in which 30 were Type 2 Diabetic Mellitus and 30 were Non-Diabetic with age group of 40=60 years. Various studies <sup>[8-10-16]</sup> done previously for PFTs were having small sample sizes of below 100.

The mean age of Non-Diabetic patients is  $49.433 \pm 7.536$  years, and Median age is 48. The mean age of Type 2 Diabetic Mellitus patients is  $48.666 \pm 6.353$  and Median age is 46. (p- value = 0.335848 ) (NS)

The mean body mass index of both the groups was not statistically different and both the groups were comparable at baseline. The mean body mass index of the case group was  $22.05 \pm 3.79$  kg/m<sup>2</sup>. Median age is 21.9 and the control group was  $22.70 \pm 3.81$ kg/m<sup>2</sup>. Median age is 22.345 (p- value = 0.256181 NS) (Table: 1)

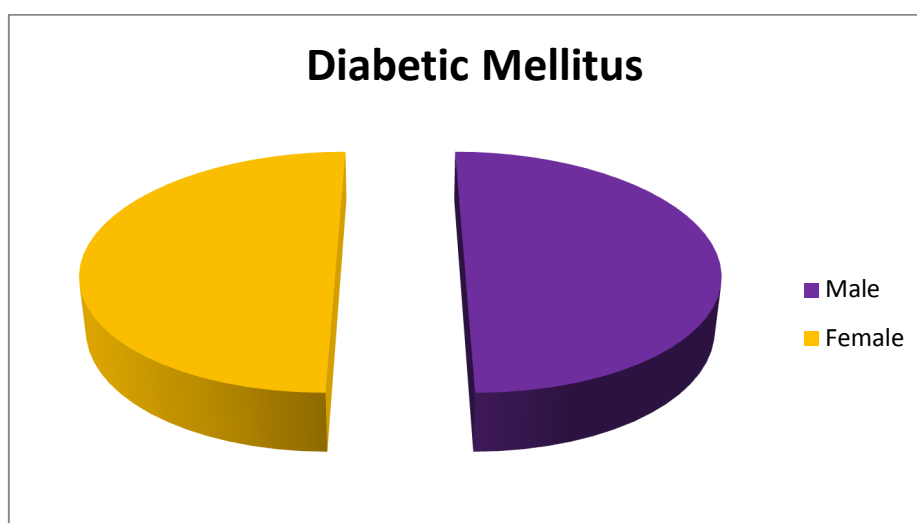
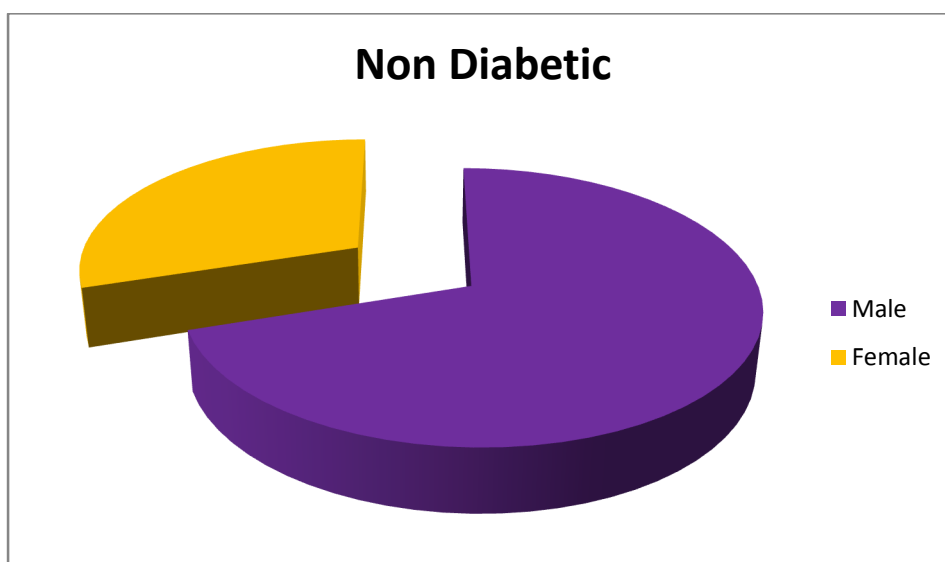
Parameters	Cases (n=30) (Mean $\pm$ SD)	Control (n=30) (Mean $\pm$ SD)	p-value
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	22.05 $\pm$ 3.79	22.70 $\pm$ 3.81	0.256181 (NS)
AGE (years)	48.66 $\pm$ 6.35	49.43 $\pm$ 7.53	0.335848 (NS)

**Table 1: Comparison of Age and BMI in Type 2 Diabetic Mellitus and Non-Diabetic Group**

Out of 30 patients in control group, 21 were males (70%) and 9 were females (30%). Out of 30 patients in cases group, 15 were males and 15 were females (50%-50%). (p- value = 0.113846) [Table: 2] [Figure: 1]

Gender	Diabetic M	Non Diabetic	P - value
Male	15	21	0.113846. (NS)
Female	15	9	
Total	30	30	

**Table 2: Distribution of sex between T2DM and Non-diabetic.**

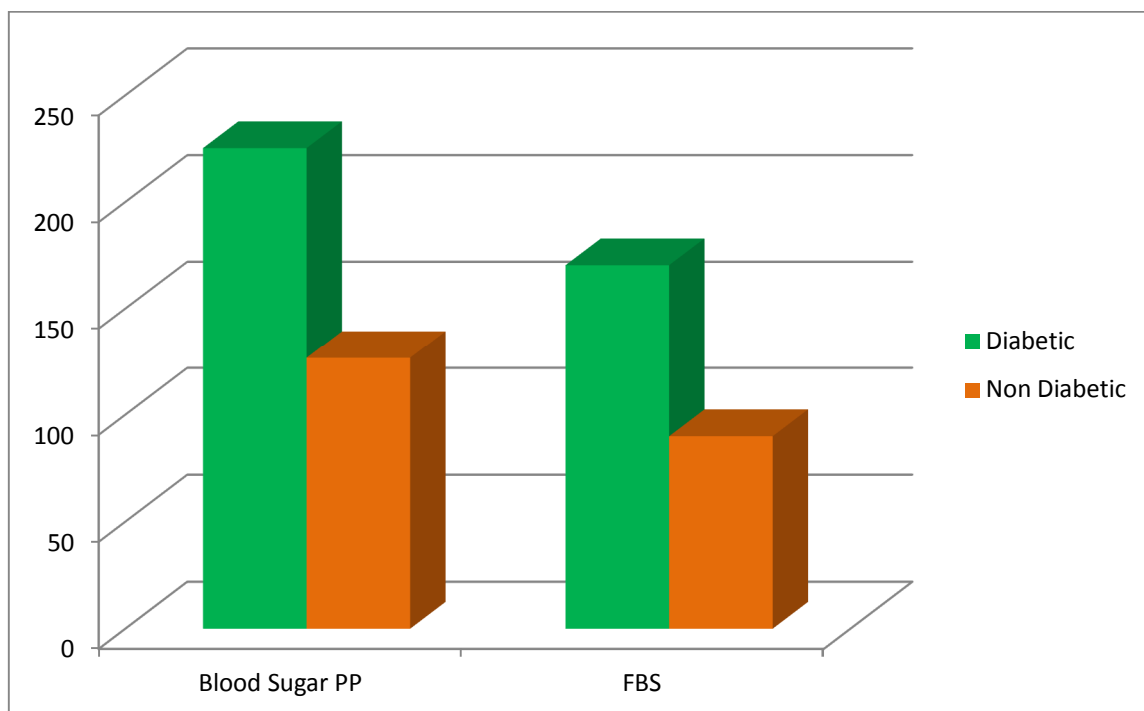


**Figure 1: Graphical Distribution of sex between T2DM and Non-diabetic.**

FBS and Blood Sugar PP were compared between cases and control. The mean values of Fasting blood sugar level ( $170.37 \pm 56.68$ ): ( $89.91 \pm 6.17$ ), Blood Sugar Post Prandial ( $225.24 \pm 35.51$ ): ( $126.69 \pm 15.07$ ) were found significantly higher in cases as compared to controls [ p value  $<0.05$ ]. (Table: 3) [Figure: 2]

Parameters	Cases (n=30) (Mean $\pm$ SD)	Control (n=30) (Mean $\pm$ SD)	p-value
Blood Sugar PP	$225.24 \pm 35.51$	$126.69 \pm 15.07$	$< .00001$ (HS)
FBS	$170.37 \pm 56.68$	$89.91 \pm 6.17$	$< .00001$ (HS)

**Table 3: Comparison of Blood Sugar PP and FBS in Type 2 Diabetic Mellitus and Non-diabetic Group**



**Figure 2: Graphical Comparison of Blood Sugar PP and FBS in Type 2 Diabetic Mellitus and Non-diabetic Group**

Mean FVC, FEV1, FEV1/FVC% and PEFR were compared between cases and control (Figure: 3).

Mean FVC was significantly lower in cases as compared to controls ( $2.42 \pm 1.07$  vs.  $4.21 \pm 0.421$ ) p -value  $< 0.00001$  (HS) being statistically significant.

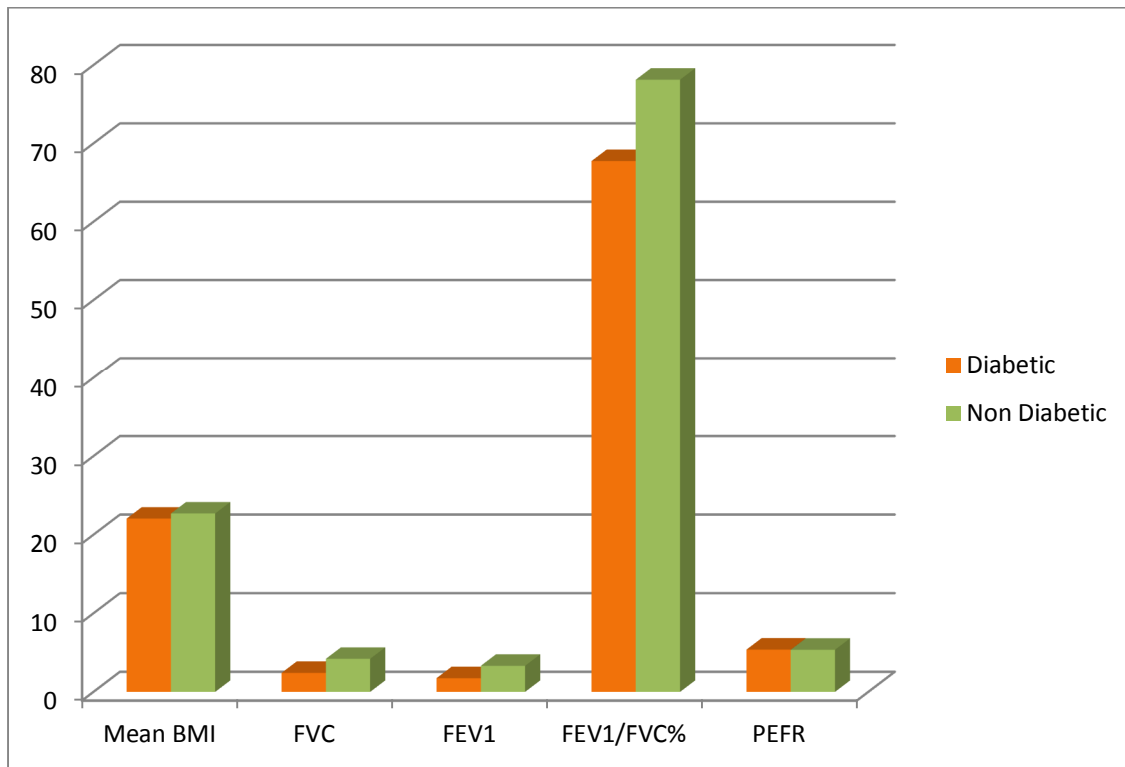
Mean FEV1 was significantly reduced in cases as compared to controls ( $1.75 \pm 1.04$  vs.  $3.321 \pm 0.44$ ) p -value  $< 0.00001$  (HS) which is statistically significant..

Mean FEV1/FVC % was significantly lower in cases as compared to controls ( $67.75 \pm 15.27$  vs  $78.131 \pm 4.98$ ) p - value  $< 0.00001$  (HS) which is statistically significant.

While Mean PEFR is increased in cases as compared to controls ( $5.38 \pm 2.54$  vs.  $5.36 \pm 2.60$ ), p -value  $0.489442$  (NS) no significant difference was noted. (Table: 4)

Parameters	Cases (n=30) (Mean±SD)	Control (n=30) (Mean±SD)	p-value
FVC (litres)	$2.42 \pm 1.07$	$4.21 \pm 0.421$	$< .00001$ (HS)
FEV1 (litres)	$1.75 \pm 1.04$	$3.321 \pm 0.44$	$< .00001$ (HS)
FEV1/FVC %	$67.75 \pm 15.27$	$78.131 \pm 4.98$	$< .00001$ (HS)
PEFR (litres/sec)	$5.38 \pm 2.54$	$5.36 \pm 2.60$	$0.489442$ (NS)

**Table: 4 Comparisons of Pulmonary Function Tests in Type 2 Diabetic Mellitus and Non-diabetic Group**

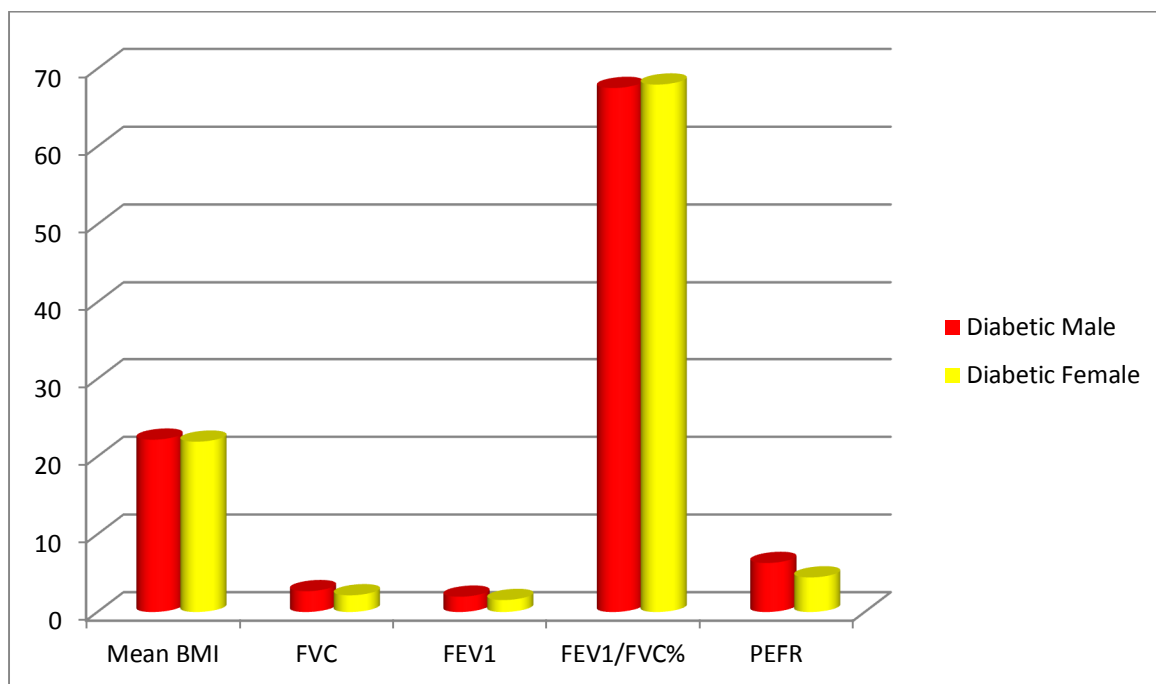


**Figure 3: Graphical Comparison of Pulmonary Function Tests in Type 2 Diabetic Mellitus and Non-diabetic**

In total 30-30 patients there is difference in BMI and PFTs parameters like FEV1, FVC, FEV1/FVC, and PEFR in terms of male and female of diabetes and non-diabetes patients none of the parameters were statistically significant. [Table: 5-6]

Parameters	Mean BMI	FVC	FEV1	FEV1/FVC%	PEFR	p- value
Diabetic Male	22.18	2.68	1.97	67.53	6.31	0.488481
Diabetic Female	21.92	2.15	1.54	67.97	4.45	

**Table 5: Comparison between Diabetic Male and Diabetic Female**



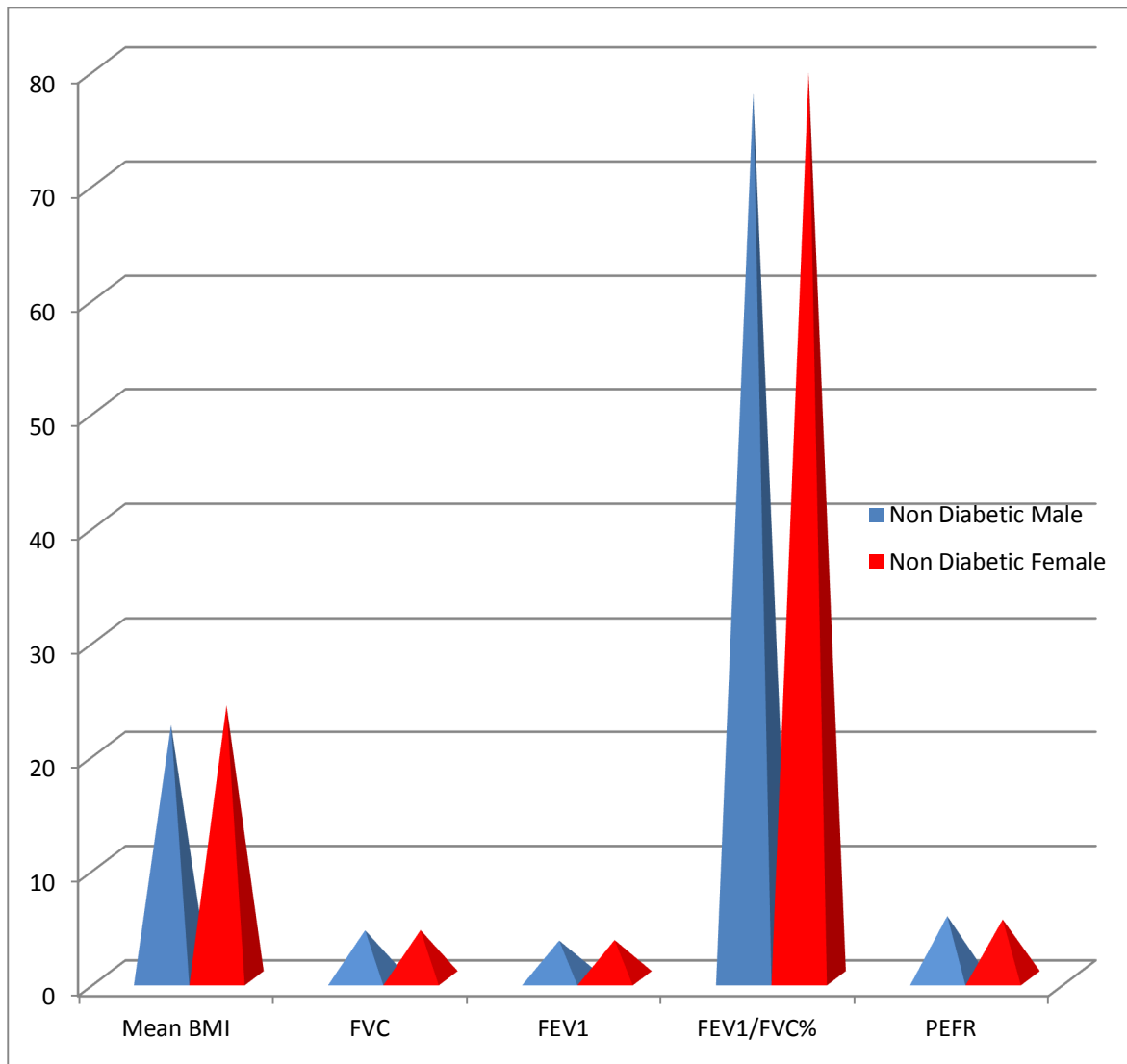
**Figure 4: Graphical Comparison between Diabetic Male and Diabetic Female**

In Diabetic male group BMI  $22.18 \pm 3.74$  (mean  $\pm$  SD), FVC  $2.68 \pm 1.15$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) FEV1  $1.97 \pm 1.21$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) FEV1/FVC%  $67.53 \pm 17.62$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) PEFr  $6.31 \pm 2.14$  (mean  $\pm$  SD)

In Diabetic female group BMI  $21.92 \pm 3.84$  (mean  $\pm$  SD), FVC  $2.15 \pm 0.95$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) FEV1  $1.54 \pm 0.84$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) FEV1/FVC%  $67.97 \pm 13.14$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) PEFr  $4.45 \pm 2.38$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) (p-value  $< 0.488481$ ) [Figure: 4]

Parameters	Mean BMI	FVC	FEV1	FEV1/FVC%	PEFr	p- value
Non Diabetic Male	22.19	4.2	3.3	77.6	5.45	0.487714.
Non Diabetic Female	23.89	4.22	3.35	79.36	5.15	

**Table 6: Comparison between Non-Diabetic Male and Non-Diabetic Female**



**Figure 5: Graphical Comparison between Non-Diabetic Male and Non-Diabetic Female**

In Non-Diabetic male group BMI  $22.19 \pm 3.51$  (mean  $\pm$  SD), FVC  $4.20 \pm 0.44$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) FEV1  $3.30 \pm 0.48$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) FEV1/FVC%  $77.60 \pm 5.82$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) PEFR  $5.45 \pm 2.75$  (mean  $\pm$  SD)

In Non-Diabetic female group BMI  $23.89 \pm 4.40$  (mean  $\pm$  SD), FVC  $4.22 \pm 0.38$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) FEV1  $3.35 \pm 0.34$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) FEV1/FVC%  $79.36 \pm 1.60$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) PEFR  $5.15 \pm 2.35$  (mean  $\pm$  SD) (P < 0.487714.)

[Figure: 5]

# ***DISCUSSION***

## DISCUSSION

The present study is a case- control study comparing the PFTs in T2DM and non-diabetics patients. This study was done to find out the impact of diabetes on the pulmonary functions. Two Groups namely the study & control groups were assigned with equal sex distribution in type 2 DM and in Non-Diabetic it is unequal distributed along with fulfilment of inclusion and exclusion criteria already mentioned.

The mean age of Non-Diabetic patients is  $49.433 \pm 7.536$  years and Type 2 Diabetic Mellitus patients is  $48.666 \pm 6.353$  (p- value = 0.335848).

It is similar to the study done by *Kalappan M et.al (2016)* where the mean age of the study group among diabetics were  $50.71 \pm 10.08$  and control group was  $50.52 \pm 10.05$  (P = 0.9437).<sup>[12]</sup>

The mean body mass index of the case group was  $22.05 \pm 3.79$  kg/m<sup>2</sup> and the control group was  $22.70 \pm 3.81$ kg/m<sup>2</sup> and sex distribution were found significantly higher in cases as compared to controls.

It is similar to the study published by *Pawar D, Patil.A et.al (2015)* where the mean BMI of the cases and control group were ( $22.91 \pm 3.92$  ) ( $22.15 \pm 3.84$ ). Both the studies have similar gender insignificant.<sup>[6]</sup>

Various biochemical investigations like glycaemic control, as determined by FBS, mean values are ( $170.37 \pm 56.68$ ): ( $89.91 \pm 6.17$ ), PPBS ( $225.24 \pm 35.51$ ): ( $126.69 \pm 15.07$ ) were found significantly higher in cases as compared to controls.

Other studies conducted by *Rajani M; Tesema D and Pawar D et.al (2013) (2019) (2015)* concluded that a higher levels of FBS and PPBS were associated with type 2 diabetic and non- diabetic group have similar findings.<sup>[16-13-5]</sup>

In our study all the Spirometric values namely FVC, FEV1, FEV1/FVC, were having a mean decrease in diabetic group compared to the control group which was statistically significant proven by getting a P value of <0.05.

**Shah et.al (2013)** in his study demonstrated that FVC, FEV1 and FEV1/FVC ratio in non diabetics and diabetics as  $89.36 \pm 9.71$  vs.  $77.97 \pm 12.99$ ,  $88.03 \pm 6.69$  vs.  $78.98 \pm 14.09$  and  $111.36 \pm 10.62$  Vs  $112.83 \pm 9.35$  respectively.<sup>[7]</sup>

However in our study there is mild increased in PEFr of case group which is not statistically significant. Similar to recent study by **Rajput S et.al (2023)** PEFr 70.70 (18.50):77.58 (20.63) {p value <0.0823}.<sup>[8]</sup>

**A.Aparna et al (2013),and Shweta, (2013) et.al** study detected that almost all the parameters like forced vital capacity, forced expiratory volume at 1st second are decreased resulting in an increase in the ratio in almost all of the patients with uncontrolled diabetes mellitus.<sup>[16]</sup> As a result, it is obvious that type 2 diabetes mellitus affects the lung, and the lung may be the target organ for damage, and the disease pattern is restrictive in character.<sup>[9-11]</sup>

The lungs are affected by diabetic microangiopathy.<sup>[11]</sup> This was evidenced autopsy findings in human diabetic subjects, which showed pulmonary microangiopathy, thickening of alveolar epithelia, pulmonary capillary basal lamina thickening and thickening of alveolar epithelia. Type 2 Diabetes mellitus can cause the development of pulmonary complications due to collagen and elastin changes as well as microangiopathy.<sup>[12]</sup>

# ***CONCLUSION***

## CONCLUSION

Present study concluded that the diabetes mellitus is singly associated with the impairment of the pulmonary function test. FVC, FEV1, and FEV1/FVC% are decreased in Type-2 diabetes mellitus compared to controls. PEFr is increased in type-2 diabetes mellitus and also the blood sugar level increases in Type II DM.

It has been determined that the lung is a target organ for diabetes damage and that glycemic exposure is a strong predictor of impaired pulmonary functioning in type II diabetics. Diabetes, especially uncontrolled diabetes, is the major cause of pulmonary problems.

So a comprehensive management will drop the rate of death by a bettered ventilatory function.

Routine spirometry screening in all diabetic cases will help to identify the pulmonary function changes before which is frequently detected late or missed often.

There is significant correlation between age & BMI in type 2 diabetes mellitus & non diabetic patients.

There is significant correlation between PFT in type 2 diabetes mellitus & non diabetic patients.

***LIMITATIONS  
OF  
THE STUDY***

## **LIMITATIONS OF THE STUDY**

1. Few studies showed there is no correlation between blood sugar and PFT's.
2. Sample size is small
3. Patients refusal
4. High gender bias (males > females)

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## ANNEXURE – A

### INFORMATION SHEET (FOR CASES)

1. I **Ayesha Fatima** M.Sc. third year student of Medical Physiology in IIMS&R Lucknow.
2. I am not associated with your treating doctor panel.
3. There will be no charges /fees/any consideration given or taken for the study.
4. Your identity will be confidential and information and result of your history examination will not be revealed to any other except you if u desire.
5. The study has nothing to do with your treatment and is not going to hamper if you refuse to participate.
6. The study has nothing to do with your current treatment but may improve the knowledge and understanding of disease process and that knowledge may or not be helpful in future.
7. After knowing the all above detail would you like to participate in our study? Yes / No

Name of the patient

Signature of the Research Scholar

Signature:

### CONSENT FORM

I.....age.....W/O,D/O,S/O.....Address.....  
..... agree to participate in the research work.

Topic **“Comparative study of Pulmonary Function Tests in Type 2 Diabetic and Non-Diabetic patients”**

I have known the details of the research work very well and I give my consent for the same.

Date:

Signature/thumb impression of the patients:

Name of research scholar

Signature/thumb impression of the witness:

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## सूचना पत्र (मामलों के लिए )

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2. मैं आपके उपचार करने वाले डॉक्टर पैनल से संबद्ध नहीं हूँ।
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4. आपकी पहचान गोपनीय रहेगी और आपकी इतिहास परीक्षा की जानकारी और परिणाम आपके अलावा किसी और को नहीं बताए जाएंगे, यदि आप चाहें तो।
5. इस अध्ययन का आपके उपचार से कोई लेना-देना नहीं है और यदि आप भाग लेने से इंकार करते हैं तो इससे कोई बाधा नहीं आएगी।
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## स्वीकृति/सहमति पत्र (मामलों के लिए)

मैं.....उम्र.....पुत्र/पुत्री/पत्नी.....

निवासी.....

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## ANNEXURE – B

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5. इस अध्ययन का आपके उपचार से कोई लेना-देना नहीं है और यदि आप भाग लेने से इंकार करते हैं तो इससे कोई बाधा नहीं आएगी।
6. अध्ययन का आपके वर्तमान उपचार से कोई लेना-देना नहीं है, लेकिन यह रोग प्रक्रिया के ज्ञान और समझ में सुधार कर सकता है और यह ज्ञान भविष्य में सहायक हो सकता है या नहीं।
7. उपरोक्त सभी विवरणों को जानने के बाद क्या आप हमारे अध्ययन में भाग लेना चाहेंगे? हां नहीं

## स्वीकृति/सहमति पत्र (नियंत्रण के लिए)

मैं.....उम्र.....पुत्र/पुत्री/पत्नी.....

निवासी.....

अध्ययन विषय - "टाइप 2 मधुमेह और गैर-मधुमेह रोगियों में पल्मोनरी फंक्शन टेस्ट का तुलनात्मक अध्ययन"

मैंने शोध कार्य के विवरण को अच्छी तरह से जाना है और इसके लिए मैं अपनी सहमति देती हूँ/देता हूँ।

दिनांक:

रोगियों के हस्ताक्षर/अंगूठे का निशान:

शोधार्थी का नाम

गवाह के हस्ताक्षर/अंगूठे का निशान:

शोधार्थी के हस्ताक्षर

**ANNEXURE – C**  
**PROFORMA**  
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**I. CASE REPORT PERFORMA**

- Registration No/Date: OPD \_\_\_\_\_ IPD \_\_\_\_\_
- Name (in capital):
- Marital status:
- Address:
- Residence: a) Urban b ) Rural
- Mobile no:
- Nationality
- Social/Economical Status:
- Educational level: Uneducated / Metric /Intermediate/Graduate / Postgraduate
- Physical Activity: Sedentary / Moderate / Active
- Occupation:
- Diet: a) Vegetarian  
b) Non-Vegetarian

**II. DEMOGRAPHICS**

1. Age: \_\_\_\_\_years
2. Sex: Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_
3. Religion: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Height: \_\_\_\_\_cm
5. Weight: \_\_\_\_\_Kg
6. Body Mass Index (BMI): \_\_\_\_\_kg/m<sup>2</sup>

### III. FAMILY HISTORY

#### 1. Mother

- a) Mother suffers from Type II Diabetes Mellitus    **Yes**    **No**    **Unknown**

#### 2. Father

- b) Father suffers from Type II Diabetes Mellitus    **Yes**    **No**    **Unknown**

#### 3. No. of siblings: \_\_\_\_\_.

- How many of them suffering from Type II Diabetes Mellitus

### IV. MEDICAL HISTORY

1. Duration of Type II Diabetes Mellitus    \_\_\_\_\_

2. Diabetic complications: Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

3. Smoker/tobacco consumer: Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

4. Alcohol consumer: Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

5. Treatment: If yes, specify: Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

- Duration of treatment:

6. Patient complications:

### V. DIABETIC TEST REPORT

**Blood Sugar PP –**

**FBS –**

### VI. PULMONARY TEST REPORT

**FVC-**

**FEV1 –**

**FEV1/FVC% -**

**PEFR**

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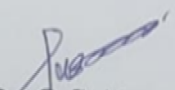
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