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### ABSTRACT

#### Summary:

Hyperinsulinemic-euglycemic clamp is the gold-standard method to assess insulin sensitivity. The hyperinsulinemic-euglycemic clamp is widely used in clinics and laboratories to measure insulin action on glucose utilization in humans and animals for clinical and basic science research. Incorporation of radioactive-labeled glucose during hyperinsulinemic-euglycemic clamps makes it possible to measure glucose metabolism in individual organs in awake mice. Impaired insulin sensitivity (insulin resistance) is a major characteristic of obesity and an early requisite event in the development of type 2 diabetes.

### EXTERNAL LINK

<https://mmpc.org/shared/document.aspx?id=146&docType=Protocol>

### MATERIALS

NAME	CATALOG #	VENDOR	CAS NUMBER  RRID
HelixMark Standard Silicone Tubing	0.012" ID / 0.025" OD	Helix Medical, Inc.	
[3-3H] D-glucose	NET331C005MC	Perkin Elmer	
2-[1-14C] Deoxy-D-glucose	NEC495001MC	Perkin Elmer	
0.9 % Sodium Chloride Injection USP	NDC0264-4001-55	B.Braun Medical Inc	
Pentobarbital	NDC76478-501-50	Oak Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	
Microdialysis pumps		CMA/Microdialysis	
Analox GM7 Micro-stat Rapid Multi-assay Analyser	GM7	Analox	
Insulin	Regular human insulin, U-100	Novolin	
20 % Dextrose injection USP	NDC0409-7935-19	Hospira(Pfizer)	
1 ml tuberculin syringes			
Microhematocrit capillary tubes			
Heparin-coated blue polyethylene open-top tubes			
Microcentrifuge tubes (1.5 ml)			

### MATERIALS TEXT

#### Note:

**B Braun Medical**, Cite this ([B Braun Sharing Expertise](#), [RRID:SCR\\_007148](#))

**Hospira**, [RRID:SCR\\_003985](#)

- 1 Mice are fasted overnight (~15 hours) prior to the start of experiment.
- 2 Chronic indwelling catheter is placed 5~6 days prior to experiment for intravenous infusion. (methods can be referred to M1023: Surgery-jugular vein cannulation)
- 3 Place a mouse in a rat-size restrainer with its tail tape-tethered at one end.
- 4 Expose and flush the intravenous catheter using saline solution. Then, connect the catheter to the CMA Microdialysis infusion pump.
- 5 Collect plasma sample (20  $\mu$ l) before the start of infusion (basal-0 min) to measure basal glucose and insulin levels.
- 6 Start infusion of 20% dextrose to quickly reach a target hyperglycemia (~300 mg/dl glucose level) and maintain hyperglycemia by adjusting glucose infusion rates.
- 7 Collect plasma samples (10  $\mu$ l each) at 10, 20, 30, 45, 60, 90, and 120 min to measure glucose levels. Adjust glucose infusion rates based on instantaneous glucose levels to maintain at target hyperglycemia.
- 8 Collect additional plasma samples (10  $\mu$ l each) at 10, 20, 30, 45, 60, 90, and 120 min to measure insulin concentrations.
- 9 At the end of experiment, mice are euthanized, and pancreas may be collected for further studies.
- 10 For data analysis, plasma insulin concentrations may be plotted during the 120-min hyperglycemic clamp experiment, and area-under-curve may be calculated. Area-undercurve of insulin levels during hyperglycemic clamps may be directly correlated with insulin secretion and pancreatic  $\beta$ -cell function assuming there are no effects on insulin clearance rates.
- 11 Additional plasma samples may be collected to measure serum c-peptide concentrations which may further reflect glucose-induced insulin secretion and pancreatic  $\beta$ -cell function in awake mice.



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