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Patient and Family Impact of Pediatric Genitourinary Diagnostic Imaging Tests

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Abstract

Purpose—The impact of diagnostic genito-urinary imaging (GUI) on patients and families is poorly understood. We study sought to measure patient and family reaction to commonly performed GUI studies, using a standardized measurement tool.

Methods—We surveyed families undergoing GUI (renal ultrasound (RUS), voiding cystourethrography (VCUG), radionuclide cystogram (RNC), static renal scintigraphy (DMSA), and diuretic renal scintigraphy (MAG3)), using a Likert-scaled 11-item survey to assess impact across four domains (pain, anxiety, time, satisfaction). Survey scores were analyzed using ANOVA and linear regression.

Results—263 families were surveyed (61 RUS, 52 VCUG, 55 RNC, 47 MAG3, 48 DMSA). Mean age was 2.1 years. 45% were male. 77% were white. Patient age, gender, and prior GUI experience varied by study type. Study type was significantly associated with both total and weighted scores on the GUI survey (both p<0.0001). RUS was better and MAG3 was worse than VCUG, RNC, and DMSA, which did not differ from each other. Other factors associated with worse total scores included patient age 1–3 years (p<0.001) and non-white race (p=0.04). Gender, prior testing history, wait time, and parent education were not associated with total scores. In the multivariate model, RUS remained the best and MAG3 the worst (p<0.0001). Compared directly, DMSA and VCUG total scores did not differ (p=0.59).

Conclusion—There are significant differences among GUI studies regarding the patient/family experience, but there was no overall difference between DMSA and VCUG. These findings may be useful to aid decision-making when considering GUI for children.

Keywords

imaging studies; genitourinary; satisfaction survey; pediatrics

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Introduction

Evaluation and management of many pediatric urological conditions involves use of diagnostic imaging. Patients with both congenital and acquired conditions commonly require imaging studies, and a wide range of functional and anatomic tests are available to the pediatric urologist. However, the impact of diagnostic genito-urinary imaging (GUI) studies on patients and families with respect to discomfort, bother, anxiety, time commitment, and other factors is poorly understood. Decisions about testing may be influenced in part by physician perceptions about the relative discomfort, bother, or invasiveness of various tests, but these perceptions are based on few reliable data and are largely anecdotal. This study sought to measure the relative effects of several commonly performed diagnostic GUI tests on patients and families using a standardized impact measurement tool, with the hypothesis that there will be significant differences among GUI tests.

Methods

Patient Sample

With approval of the IRB, we surveyed families of patients age 6 years and younger who were undergoing GUI studies at our institution **for 1 year**. The assessed tests were renal ultrasound (RUS), voiding cystourethrography (VCUG), radionuclide cystogram (RNC), static renal scintigraphy (DMSA), and diuretic renal scintigraphy (MAG-3). None of the tests were performed with sedation. Eligible families were approached prior to the GUI test and asked to participate. Surveys were conducted at the conclusion of the imaging test in question (same day), and were limited to patients undergoing only that test on that day. Parents completed the survey privately on paper and returned the form to the research assistant when completed. All surveys were de-identified. Exclusion criteria include age > 6 years, unwillingness to consent, non-English speaking family, or undergoing multiple GUI tests on the same day.

Survey Instrument

As no brief, validated instrument currently exists to assess the all of the specific domains we wished to address for pediatric GUI tests, we developed a survey instrument to assess reaction to, and satisfaction with, the GUI test among families of patients undergoing these studies (Appendix A). Parents reported their own reactions and, via parental report, the reactions of their child to the GUI test. The instrument was developed in collaboration with a survey methodologist (SZ) and assessed for readability and clarity. The face and content validity of the initial instrument were assessed by expert review by radiology and urology faculty. After revision, the final instrument contained 11 five-point Likert-scale items covering 4 domains (pain/discomfort (1 item), psychological impact (4 items), time/work disruption (3 items), and overall test satisfaction (3 items)). Survey responses were transformed into numeric scales, with lower numeric scores reflecting a more favorable responses. We calculated a raw total score (raw sum of scores of each item, range: 11–55); surveys with incomplete or missing individual item responses were excluded from the total score calculation. We also calculated a domain-weighted total score to adjust for the varying number of items in each domain; the item scores for each domain were summed and then divided by the number of items in that domain to provide an individual domain mean, and the weighted total score was the sum of these individual domain means (range: 4-20).

We collected demographic data, history of prior GUI testing (both history of same test and history of any GUI test), and wait times (arrival to study start, and study start to study end).

Statistical Methods

Bivariate associations between predictor variables and the domain-specific, raw total, and domain-weighted total scores were assessed. ANOVA tests and t-tests were used for predictor variables with greater > 2 categories and 2 categories, respectively. When appropriate, post hoc comparisons were performed using Duncan's test.

We developed multivariable linear regression models to assess the relationships between GUI test and domain-specific scores, raw total scores, and domain-weighted total scores while adjusting for other significant predictors of scores. We chose *a priori* to include predictor variables with a p-value of < 0.15 on bivariate analysis. The multivariable model was then modified using a sequential "backwards" technique, stopping when all covariates had p<0.1. The final model was determined by the combination of covariates with p<0.1 producing the highest r-squared value. Model diagnostics revealed no significant violations of regression assumptions. All analyses were performed using SAS 9.2 (SAS Institute Inc, Cary, NC). All tests were 2-sided with significance defined as a p-value of less than or equal to 0.05.

Results

We surveyed 263 families, of whom 248 (94%) completed all survey responses. Data were collected on 61 RUS, 52 VCUG, 55 RNC, 47 MAG-3, and 48 DMSA studies. Characteristics of the sample are shown in Table 1. Mean age was 2.1 years; 37% were < 1 yr, 42% were 1–3 yrs, and 22% were >3 yrs. 45% were male. 77% were non-Latino white; among the other 23%, 7% were Latino, 6% were Asian, 2% were non-Latino black, and 8% were "other"). Patient age (p<0.0001), gender (p<0.0001), history of any prior GUI studies (p<0.0001), and history of same prior GUI study (p<0.0001) varied significantly by study type. Wait time (p=0.2632), parent education level (p=0.2057), and patient race/ethnicity (white vs. non-white, p=0.2353) did not vary significantly by study type.

Survey scores are depicted in Table 2. The mean raw total score was 23.2 ± -7.3 (range: 11–53). The mean domain-weighted total score was 8.6 ± -2.7 (range: 4.0–19.3). On bivariate analysis, study type was significantly associated with raw and domain-weighted total scores (both p<0.0001)(Figure 1). Post-hoc testing showed that for both raw total and domain-weighted total, RUS was significantly better and MAG-3 was significantly worse than VCUG, RNC, and DMSA, which did not differ from each other.

Age and race were associated with raw total and domain-weighted total scores included. Infants (age <1) and school-age children (age >3) did better than toddlers (age 1–3) (p<0.001). Scores were also better for patients of white, non-Latino race/ethnicity (p=0.04). Gender (p=0.5792), prior history of any GUI test (p=0.2212), prior history of the same GUI test (p=0.2983), procedure wait time (p=0.5852), and parental education level (p=0.9148) were not associated with raw total or domain-weighted total scores (data not shown).

We constructed multivariate models to compare scores of the various GUI tests while controlling for other associated factors (Table 3). After adjusting for other significant or trend-associated variables, GUI study type remained significantly associated with raw and domain-weighted total score (p<0.0001), primarily due to the low (good) scores for RUS and relatively high (bad) scores for MAG-3. DMSA, VCUG, and RNC scores did not differ significantly for raw total, domain-weighted total, or overall test satisfaction domain (Table 3).

Specifically comparing the findings for VCUG with those of DMSA in the multivariable model, we found that DMSA had similar raw total and domain-weighted total scores

compared to VCUG. Overall test satisfaction scores also did not differ between VCUG and DMSA (p=0.8272). There were significant differences noted in the pain domain, with VCUG scores worse than DMSA (p=0.0002), as well as in the psychological domain (again with VCUG scores (slightly) worse than DMSA (p=0.0465). In the time burden domain, however, DMSA scored significantly worse than VCUG (p=0.0034).

In terms of their subjective experience with the test, a strong majority of families had positive reactions to the GUI testing process. 80% of all families (**207/258**) rated their overall experience as "good" or "very good", ranging from 68% (**32/47**) for MAG-3 to 90% (**55/61**) for RUS. 76% of families (**39/51**) gave this rating for VCUG, 79% (**41/52**) for RNC, and 85% (**40/47**) for DMSA (p=0.05). Conversely, only **5/258** families (2%) rated the GUI test experience "very bad": 1 VCUG, 1 MAG-3, and 3 DMSA (p=0.1292).

Discussion

The primary consideration when ordering any diagnostic test should be how the information provided by that test will influence subsequent management. The physician always makes a judgment (whether explicit or implicit) that the benefit to be gained by the information from the test outweighs any potential downsides (either adverse effects of the test itself or, in some cases, of obtaining information of uncertain value or clinical significance). **In many cases, such downsides can be quantified**, e.g. radiation exposure, or risk of vascular or infectious complications. However, there are other considerations when it comes to GUI testing in young children that families may consider extremely important, but that we as clinicians have little ability to measure. These include pain and discomfort, anxiety and psychological distress associated with the test, and the time required for the test to be completed. Clinicians may believe that they understand what children and families experience during common GUI tests, but these impressions are not usually based on rigorous measurement and can be easily skewed by individual examples of outliers, both good and bad.

In this study we sought to compare the experiences of families undergoing a range of GUI tests using a standardized, parent-reported survey instrument. We found that, as expected, renal and bladder ultrasound is well-tolerated and minimally burdensome to families and patients. Families consistently found the MAG-3 test (which involves both urethral catheterization (**in almost all cases**) and intravenous injection) to be the least well-tolerated test.

Perhaps the most provocative finding was that DMSA and VCUG were equivalent in scores, both with respect to total score and in terms of overall test satisfaction. Although VCUG scored worse than DMSA in the pain and psychological domains, DMSA scored significantly worse than VCUG in the time domain. Given the equivalent total and overall satisfaction scores, these domain-specific differences appeared to balance out.

Recently it has been proposed that a "top-down" approach for evaluation of children with a history of febrile UTI, using DMSA renal scan, may be preferable to the traditional "bottomup" approach using VCUG.¹ An important element of the "top-down" argument is that the VCUG is poorly tolerated; implied (but rarely stated or supported by data) is the supposition that DMSA is better tolerated. As one advocate stated, in the "top-down" paradigm the "DMSA renal scan can be used to replace VCUG… which is important given the drawbacks of [VCUG]".² Some data do suggest that VCUG is a anxiety-generating test for patients^{3–6}, but the degree to which this occurs is poorly quantified. The current findings suggest that, at least at our institution, VCUG and DMSA are relatively equivalent in terms of family and patient experience. Clearly, there are other arguments for the top-down approach beyond the

perceived morbidity of the VCUG (avoidance of diagnosing clinically insignificant VUR, and identification of patients with renal involvement), and the current findings do not significantly alter the balance of data in that debate. However, our findings contradict the assumption that DMSA is better tolerated than VCUG.

Other than the GUI test itself, we noted several other variables that were consistently associated with survey scores on the tests. Most highly associated was patient age, with infants (<1 year) and older children (>3 years) doing better than toddlers (1–3 years) across all domains. This is unsurprising given that it is these young children who are old enough to "put up a fight" but not old enough to reason with or really explain the nature or purpose of the test. Unfortunately, this was also the most numerous age group in our sample, comprising 42% of all patients.

We also saw a significant variation in scores by race. Total scores were consistently higher (worse) for non-whites compared to whites. Scores were also worse for the nonwhite group in each of the domains, although the significance of these differences varied. Such findings are always concerning, but are not surprising. Many studies have documented lower satisfaction with medical care among minority patients and families^{7–9}, although the phenomenon is poorly understood. Language barriers may play a role in some cases⁹, although our study was limited to English–speaking families.

The results of this study should be interpreted in light of its limitations. The survey results reflect family impressions at the time of the GUI test; attitudes and satisfaction may conceivably change over time. The study was conducted at a single tertiary-care pediatric institution and therefore caution should be used in generalizing these findings to other settings. In particular, there may be unique features of our patient population, facility, or imaging program that may make these findings specific to this site. Future research efforts should seek to evaluate these GUI tests across a multi-center cohort. In addition, at our hospital, a Certified Child Life Specialist is available for GUI tests to facilitate the procedure and make the child and family as comfortable as possible. These professionals use a variety of techniques including distraction, music and song, video, and other approaches to minimize anxiety and pain. It has been shown that psychological preparation can improve coping and reduce distress during invasive medical procedures in unsedated children, including VCUG and DMSA^{6,10,11}. However, not every institution has the resources to provide these services and in such cases, the experiences of families with GUI tests may be different. We attempted to collect data to assess the impact of Child Life presence during testing. Unfortunately, due to the structure of our survey and the requirement to keep the survey anonymous and family-reported, we were only able to assess Child Life presence in 52% of GUI tests (136/263). Among this subset, Child Life was present in 21%, and did not differ significantly among GUI tests (10% RUS, 16% MAG3, 20% VCUG, 29% RNC, 32% DMSA, p=0.28). Neither total nor domain-specific scores varied significantly by Child Life presence. However, given the large proportion of missing data, we did not feel that we could include this covariate in our analysis of GUI test impact. Future uses of this survey instrument should specifically seek to assess the effect of Child Life during GUI testing.

The survey instrument used was created specifically for this study. There is no validated instrument designed to evaluate patient satisfaction with pediatric GUI tests. We therefore used accepted survey design techniques under the guidance of a professional survey methodologist. The individual items were structured based on standard items used in numerous validated surveys, and the Likert-scale responses use typical terminology and grading. Face and content validity were assessed by the clinical faculty in urology and radiology. Nonetheless, we have not performed additional validation tests.

The study design relied on parent recall of specific testing details that may be inaccurate, particularly parent recollection of prior testing history. In our experience many families confuse the various GUI tests and are often uncertain of the test they are having that day, not to mention tests that may have happen in the past. In order to maintain the anonymity of survey respondents, we sacrificed the ability to review prior records to confirm parental report of prior testing, making recall bias is a potential issue. This is likely more significant with respect to the history of prior same GUI test, as compared to history of *any* prior GUI test, due to the more specific recall required.

Conclusion

There are significant differences among GUI studies with respect to patient/family experience, with RUS tolerated best and MAG-3 worst. There is no overall difference between VCUG and DMSA. These findings may be useful to aid decision-making when considering GU imaging tests for pediatric patients.

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APPENDIX A: Survey Instrument

Instructions

- These questions are about the test your child just had.
- All of your answers are completely anonymous
- Please read each item below and circle the answer that best reflects your opinion about the test.

1. Overall, how would you rate your child's experience with this test?

1	2	3	4	5
Very good	Good	Neither good nor bad	Bad	Very bad
2. From the beginnin during the test?	ng to the end of this te	st, how much disco	mfort do you think <u>vo</u>	ur child experienced
	2	2	4	
No discomfort	Very little discomfort	Some discomfort	Quite a bit of discomfort	Much discomfort
3. From the beginnin	ng to the end of this te	st, how anxious do	you think the test mad	le <u>vour child</u> ?
1	2	3	4	5
Not anxious at all	Slightly anxious	Anxious	Very anxious	Extremely anxious
4. From the beginnin	ng to the end of this te	st, how anxious did	the test make you ?	
1	2	3	4	5
Not anxious at all	Slightly anxious	Anxious	Very anxious	Extremely anxious
5. From the beginnin	ng to the end of this te	st, how distressing	was the test for your	ehild?
1	2	3	4	5
Not distressing at all	Slightly distressing	Distressing	Very distressing	Extremely distressing
6. From the beginnin	ng to the end of this te	st, how distressing	was the test for you?	
1	2	3	4	5
Not distressing at all	Slightly distressing	Distressing	Very distressing	Extremely distressing
7. From the time you think about the amo	a first entered the proc unt of time required t	edure room until al o complete the test	l of the images were f today?	inished, what did you
1	2	3	4	5
The test took a very short time	The test took a short time	The test took an average time	The test took a long time	The test took a very long time

8. How fidgety was	your child because of	the amount of time	required for today's t	est?
1	2	3	4	5
My child was not fidgety at all	My child was a little fidgety	My child was somewhat fidgety	My child was very fidgety	My child was extremely fidgety
9. How much did the	e <u>amount of time</u> requ	ired for today's test	nterfere with your p	lans for today?
1	2	3	4	5
It didn't interfere with my plans at all	It interfered very little with my plans	It somewhat interfered with my plans	It interfered quite a bit with my plans	It very much interfered with my plans
10. Compared with v	what you expected, how	w would you rate you	ur child's experience	with this test?
1	2	3	4	5
Very much better than I expected	Better than I expected	About what I expected	Worse than I expected	Very much worse than I expected
11. If in the future ye would you want you	our child had the same r child to have <u>the tes</u>	symptoms again, an t you had today aga	d if your doctor asked in?	d you to repeat this test,
1	2	3	4	5
Definitely yes	Probably yes	Maybe	Probably no	Definitely no
12. Do you have any	comments about toda	y's test?		

Instructions

- Lastly, we'd like to ask you some questions about yourself and about your child.
- Just like in the last sections, all of your answers are completely anonymous.
- Please read each item below and circle or write in the best answer.

13. Which test did yo	ur child have <u>today</u>	?		
1	2	3	4	5
Voiding	RadioNuclide	Renal	Kidney Function or	Kidney Blockage
CystoUrethroGram	Cystogram	Ultrasound	Scarring Scan	Scan
(VCUG)	(RNC)	(US)	(DMSA)	(MAG-3)
14. Has your child ev	er had <u>any</u> of these	tests before too	lay?	
	1		2	
Yes, my child has	had one or more of		No, my child has not h	nad any of
these tests	before today		these tests before	today
15. If your child has h had <u>before today</u> :	nad any of these test	is before today,	please circle <u>all the te</u>	ests that your child
1	2	3	4	5
Voiding CystoUrethroGram	RadioNuclide Cystogram	Renal Ultrasound	Kidney Function or Scarring Scan	Kidney Blockage Scan
(VCUG)	(RNC)	(US)	(DMSA)	(MAG-3)
16. How old is your	<u>child</u> ?			
		Please circle or	e: Years	
			Months	
17. What is your chil	d's gender?			
	1		2	
N	lale		Female	
18. What is your gen	der?			
	1		2	
Ν	lale		Female	

19. What is your hi	ghest level of education?			
1	2		3	4
Did not complete high school	Completed high school but did not attend college	Attence com	led but did not plete college	Completed college
20. Is your child Hi	spanic or Latino?			
	1		2	
	Yes		No	
21. Which of the fol	lowing best describes you	ur child's ra	cial or ethnic backg	round?
	(Please cit	rcle all that	apply.)	
1	2	3	4	5
White/Caucasian	Black/ African American	Asian	Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	Native American/ Alaskan Native

Key of Definitions for Abbreviations

(GUI)	Genitourinary imaging
(DMSA)	Dimercaptosuccinic acid static renal scintigraphy
(RUS)	Renal ultrasound
(VCUG)	Voiding cystourethragram
(MAG-3)	Mercaptoacetyltriglycine dynamic renal scintigraphy
(RNC)	Radionuclide cystogram

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Figure 1a and Figure 1b.

Relative raw and domain-weighted total scores for each of the five GUI tests. Error bars represent 95% confidence intervals. Range of possible scores for raw total is 11–55. Range of possible scores for domain-weighted total is 4–20.

Table 1

Characteristics of the study sample

	Overall	RUS	VCUG	RNC	DMSA	Mag3	P-value
Sample size	263	61	52	55	48	47	
Age category (n, %)							
<1	94 (37)	24 (41)	32 (63)	6 (11)	12 (25)	20 (45)	< 0.0001
1–3	106 (42)	18 (31)	14 (27)	28 (52)	28 (58)	18 (41)	
>3	55 (22)	16 (28)	5 (10)	20 (37)	8 (17)	6(14)	
Gender (n, %)							
Male	116 (45)	29 (49)	26 (51)	13 (24)	13 (27)	35 (76)	< 0.0001
Female	143 (55)	30 (51)	25 (49)	42 (76)	35 (73)	11 (24)	
Parental education level (n, %)							
Some HS	6 (2)	1 (2)	3(7)	1 (2)	1 (2)	0 (0)	0.2057
HS grad	30 (12)	6 (10)	5 (11)	5(9)	4 (9)	10 (24)	
Some college	31 (13)	8 (14)	8 (17)	3 (6)	6 (13)	6 (15)	
College grad	179 (73)	44 (75)	30 (65)	45 (83)	35 (76)	25 (61)	
Race/ethnicity (n, %)							0.2353
White	193 (77)	42 (74)	33 (67)	46 (85)	39 (81)	33 (79)	
Non-White *	57 (23)	15 (26)	16 (33)	8 (15)	9 (19)	9 (21)	
Wait time (minutes from arrival to study start) (n, %)							0.2632
<15 minutes	79 (40)	9 (36)	19 (43)	20 (50)	12 (26)	19 (43)	
15–30 minutes	58 (29)	10 (40)	10 (23)	11 (27.5)	18 (39)	9 (20)	
>30 minutes	62 (31)	6 (24)	15 (34)	9 (22.5)	16 (35)	16 (36)	
Test time (minutes from study start to study end)							< 0.0001
(mean +/- SD)	90 +/- 88	25 +/- 15	43 +/- 15	34 +/- 12	247 +/- 38	117 +/- 50	
Any prior testing (n, %)							
Any prior	187 (72)	42 (70)	24 (47)	42 (76)	38 (79)	41 (89)	< 0.0001
No prior	73 (28)	18 (30)	27 (53)	13 (24)	10 (21)	5 (11)	
Same test previously (n, %)							
Yes	93 (36)	38 (67)	9 (18)	24 (44)	7 (15)	15 (33)	< 0.0001
no	163 (64)	19 (33)	42 (82)	31 (56)	40 (85)	31 (67)	

* includes white Latinos, black Latinos, black non-Latinos, Asians, and "other".

Table 2

Mean Survey Scores [95% CI] for total scores and domain scores, stratified by GUI test and other patient/ family characteristics

	RUS	VCUG	RNC	DMSA	Mag3	P-value
D T (16	10.1.517.6.00.61				0.00 IN 10.00 01	0.0001
Raw Total Score	19.1 [17.6–20.6]	23.7 [21.3–26.1]	23.5 [21.7-25.2]	23.7 [21.5–25.9]	26.7 [24.7-28.8]	< 0.0001
Domain-weighted Total Score	6.9 [6-3-7.4]	9.1 [8.2–9.9]	8.9 [8.3–9.5]	8.7 [7.9–9.5	10.1 [9.3–10.8]	< 0.0001
Overall Test Satisfaction Domain	5.7 [5.4–6.1]	5.6 [4.9–6.3]	5.7 [5.1–6.3]	5.6 [4.8-6.4]	6.7 [6.0–7.4]	0.0621
Pain Domain	1.6 [1.4–1.8]	2.9 [2.6–3.2]	2.9 [2.7–3.1]	2.2 [1.9–2.5]	3.0 [2.7–3.2]	< 0.0001
Psychological Domain	6.2 [5.5–7.0]	9.2 [8.1–10.3]	9.5 [8.6–10.3]	8.4 [7.5–9.4]	10.1 [9.2–11.0]	< 0.0001
Time Domain	5.8 [5.3-6.3]	6.1 [5.4–6.7]	5.4 [4.9-6.0]	7.3 [6.7–7.9]	6.9 [6.3–7.5]	< 0.0001

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Table 3

Multivariate analysis of association of study type with survey scores for raw total score, domain-weighted total score, and individual domain scores. Lower scores reflect more favorable responses. Parameter estimates reflect the mean increase (or decrease if estimate is negative) in score for variable category, compared to the reference category, adjusting or other variables.

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