

**A STUDY ON EFFECT OF SLEEP PATTERNS ON BODY FAT MASS OF
SCHOOL GOING CHILDREN (8-10- YEARS OLD) IN MUMBAI CITY.**

ABSTRACT

Aims: To study the effect of sleep patterns on body fat mass of school going children (8-10-year-old) in Mumbai city.

Study design: Body fat mass was analyzed using Inbody 120 body composition analyzer. Total 388 subjects were selected for the study.

Place and Duration of Study: The period required to carry out study was from November to March 2018-2019. Total 488 subjects (male and female) participated from public to private schools in Mumbai city for the study.

Methodology: Total 488 subjects (male and female) participated from 5 schools ranging from public to private school were selected from Mumbai city, (Maharashtra, India). Inbody 120 body composition analyzer was used to assess body fat for the subjects. SPSS version 20 was used for data analysis.

Results: A positive correlation was observed between wakeup timings and body fat mass at $p \leq 0.05$ (0.00). However, the habit of snoring showed highly significant difference at $p \leq 0.05$ for body fat mass (0.00) and fat free mass (0.00).

Conclusion: It was concluded that sleep patterns had a significant impact on body fat mass. Therefore, the sleep timings and wakeup timings need to be observed for the children in their growing age as it may have deep impact on child's body type.

Keywords- *body fat mass; sleep patterns; body composition;*

1. INTRODUCTION

Sleep is important for child's growth and development. Everyday 9-12 hours of sleep is necessary children ageing 6-12 years. Bed time routine is need of the hour for children. Usage of mobile phones, watching television, playing games on computer showed bad impact on sleep quality.

Sleep timing patterns might contribute to obesity risk. Variable and shifted sleep schedules and evening chronotypes have recently been linked to adiposity in adults; less is known about children. Further, there is little understanding regarding the mechanisms of association. The timing of eating, dietary intake, obesogenic eating behaviours, and changes in appetite regulating hormones was identified as possible mechanisms for sleep-obesity associations and may be promising avenues for future research. (LeBourgeois, 2015)

A cross sectional study by Ghobadi et al in 2018 had reported that television (tv) viewing was associated with childhood obesity in western countries. Further the relationship between obesity and eating habits were while watching tv among primary-school children in the middle east.

Öztürk and Ayhan conducted a study in 2017. According to them recent studies, it was observed that poor sleep quality was significantly associated with obesity. The aim of the study was to examine the association of sleep quality with obesity and specific anthropometric measurements.

2. MATERIAL AND METHODS

Mumbai provided an ideal setting to study the effect of sleep patterns on body composition and stature of children ageing 8-10 years. Total 488 subjects (male and female) participated from 5 schools ranging from public to private school were selected from Mumbai city, (Maharashtra, India). Children from selected schools, falling under the age 8-10 years (Girls and boys) year from 3rd grade were selected by random, purposive sampling.

Inbody 120 machine was used for collecting the body composition data. Body composition analysis gave basic information of the subject's physical status and gives accurate results. The machine analyses different parameters like weight, BMI, total body water, total protein, total fat percentage, total body fat, visceral fat levels, and lean muscle mass and skeletal muscle mass. The children were guided to stand on the inbody120 machine, and the results sheet of the subject was recorded. Inbody 120 machine was used for collecting the body composition data. Body composition analysis gave basic information of the subject's physical status and gives accurate results. The machine analyses different parameters like weight, BMI, total body water, total protein, total fat percentage, total body fat, visceral fat levels, and lean muscle mass and skeletal muscle mass. The children were guided to stand on the inbody120 machine, and the results sheet of the subject was recorded. Body fat mass values were then used for the study.

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Table 3.1, Comparison between body fat mass with tv timings.

TV timings	No of subjects (N)	Body fat mass $\bar{X} \pm \sigma$
0(don't watch tv)	73	5.69 $\pm$ 2.97
1(9-10pm)	133	5.91 $\pm$ 3.47
2(10-11pm)	133	5.67 $\pm$ 3.73
3(11-12pm)	46	5.17 $\pm$ 3.43
4(12-1am)	5	4.36 $\pm$ 2.16
TOTAL	388	5.68 $\pm$ 3.45
Significance		0.67

Body fat mass with tv timings when compared showed the higher mean value of 5.91 $\pm$ 3.47 for the subjects who watched tv between 9-10 pm, followed by who did not watch tv post 9 pm showed mean value of 5.69 $\pm$ 2.97. The similar trend was observed who watched tv till 11 pm. However, watching tv till 12 am showed mean value of 5.17 $\pm$ 3.43 in correlation to body fat mass. Minimal subjects were found watching tv post 12 am which was reported with the mean value of 4.36 $\pm$ 2.16. Further it showed that there was no significant difference between when tested statistically at $p \leq 0.05$ (0.67).

Table 3.2, Comparison between body fat mass with wakeup timings.

Wake up timings	No of subjects (N)	Body fat mass $\bar{X} \pm \sigma$
1(before 5am)	0	
2(5-6am)	34	7.80 $\pm$ 4.18
3(6-7am)	140	6.89 $\pm$ 3.48
4(7-8am)	58	4.15 $\pm$ 2.45

5(8-9am)	101	4.82±2.99
6(9-10am)	54	4.54±2.95
7(after 10am)	1	1.90±0
TOTAL	388	5.68±3.45
Significance		0.00

When body fat mass was compared to wakeup timings of subjects the higher mean value who woke up between 5-6am (7.80±4.18). Followed by the subjects who woke up between 6-7am (6.89±3.48). Similar trends were observed between 8-9am (4.82±2.99), 9-10am (4.54±2.95) and 7-8am (4.15±2.45). Lowest mean value was observed for the subjects who woke up after 10am (1.90±0). However, it showed positive correlation between body fat mass and wake up timings $p \leq 0.05$ (0.00).

Table 3.3, comparison between body fat mass and sleep timings

Code	No of subjects (N)	Body fat mass $\bar{X} \pm \sigma$
1(before 7 pm)	0	
2(7-8pm)	1	4.00±0
3(8-9pm)	14	5.46±2.80
4(9-10pm)	68	6.72±3.60
5(10-11pm)	145	5.84±3.40
6(11-12am)	133	5.22±3.57
7(after 12am)	27	4.62±2.44
TOTAL	388	5.68±3.45
Significance		0.38

The correlation between body fat mass and bed timings did not show any significant effect $p \leq 0.05$ (0.38). The subjects who slept between 9-10 pm had higher mean value of 6.72±3.60. When compared with duration between 10-11pm the mean value for body fat mass was observed to be (5.84±3.40). The mean value for the subjects who slept by 8-9 pm was found as 5.46±2.80. The subjects who slept between 10-11pm showed mean value of 5.22±3.57 than subjects who slept post 12am had lesser mean value of 4.62±2.44. However, the lowest mean value was reported for the subjects who slept between 7-8 pm.

Table 3.4 Comparison between body fat mass with number of times subject wakeup during night.

Wake up during night	No of subjects (N)	Body fat mass $\bar{X} \pm \sigma$
0(almost never)	282	5.57±3.38
1(2-3times a month)	35	5.42±3.91
2(2-3times a week)	27	6.07±3.55
3(almost every night)	44	6.48±3.50
TOTAL	388	5.68±3.45
Significance		0.39

Body fat mass when compared showed higher mean value for the subjects who woke up almost every night (6.48±3.50), followed by 2-3 times per week 6.07±3.55. A parallel trend were observed for the subjects who woke up never in between sleep (5.57±3.38) and 2-3 times per week (5.42±3.91). This correlation didn't show significant difference at $p \leq 0.05$ (0.39).

Table 3.5, Comparison between body fat mass with reasons of waking up during night.

Code	No of subjects (N)	Body fat mass $\bar{X} \pm \sigma$
0(don't wake up)	22	5.49 $\pm$ 3.25
1(there is noise)	47	5.29 $\pm$ 3.07
2(light is on)	11	5.24 $\pm$ 4.18
3(dreams)	26	5.36 $\pm$ 2.40
4(urination)	251	5.80 $\pm$ 3.64
5(noise and urination)	31	5.95 $\pm$ 3.22
TOTAL	388	5.68 $\pm$ 3.45
Significance		0.93

When body fat mass was compared with reasons of waking up during night. A parallel trend was observed for the various reasons with the mean value of 5.95 $\pm$ 3.22 for the subjects who woke up due to noise and urge to use washroom, followed by who woke due to urge for washroom usage (5.80 $\pm$ 3.64), the subjects who didn't wake up showed mean value of (5.49 $\pm$ 3.25), who woke due to dreams (5.36 $\pm$ 2.40) respectively. The minimal mean value was observed for the subjects who woke up due to noise (5.29 $\pm$ 3.07) and when the light was switched on (5.24 $\pm$ 4.18). Body fat mass showed a non-significant difference at $p \leq 0.05$ (0.93).

Table 3.6, Comparison between HAZ score, body fat mass, percent body fat and fat free mass with habit of snoring.

Code	No of subjects (N)	Body fat mass $\bar{X} \pm \sigma$
0(never)	338	5.52 $\pm$ 3.33
1(sometimes)	29	7.78 $\pm$ 4.45
2(often))	13	5.74 $\pm$ 3.17
3(all the time)	8	4.80 $\pm$ 2.88
TOTAL	388	5.68 $\pm$ 3.45
F value		4.09
Significance		0.00

Body fat mass showed higher mean value for the subjects who snored sometimes (7.78 $\pm$ 4.45). A similar trend was found for the subjects who snored often (5.74 $\pm$ 3.17), also who never snored (5.52 $\pm$ 3.33). The lowest mean value of (4.80 $\pm$ 2.88) observed for the subjects who snored all the time. However, body fat mass in correlation to snoring showed highly significant difference statistically at $p \leq 0.05$ (0.00).

Table 3.7, comparison between body fat mass and feeling of freshness in morning.

Code	No of subjects (N)	Body fat mass $\bar{X} \pm \sigma$
0(never)	84	5.07 $\pm$ 2.65
1(1-2/month)	2	4.50 $\pm$ 0.70
2(1-2/week)	16	4.21 $\pm$ 1.72
3(3-5/week)	90	5.76 $\pm$ 4.09

4(everyday)	196	6.02±3.52
TOTAL	388	5.68±3.45
Significance		0.14

When body fat mass was compared with feeling of freshness after waking up the maximum mean value was observed for the subjects who woke up fresh everyday (6.02±3.52). Similar trend was observed for the subjects who woke up fresh 3-5 times a week (5.76±4.09) also who never woke up fresh (5.07±2.65). Although a decreasing trend was observed for the subjects who woke up fresh 1-2 times a month (4.50±0.70) followed by who woke up fresh 1-2 times a week (4.21±1.72). A non-significant difference at $p \leq 0.05$ (0.14) was observed for the subjects who woke up feeling fresh in correlation to body fat mass.

4. CONCLUSION-

Questions such as TV timings, watching tv after dinner, wake up and sleep timings were noted, habit of snoring, and feeling of freshness in the morning when they wake up were correlated to body fat mass. A positive correlation was observed between wake up timings and body fat mass at $p \leq 0.05$ (0.00). However, the habit of snoring showed a highly significant difference at $p \leq 0.05$ for body fat mass (0.00) and fat free mass (0.00). It was concluded that sleep patterns had a significant impact on body fat mass. Therefore, the sleep timings and wake up timings need to be observed for the children in their growing age as it may have a deep impact on a child's body type.

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