

4. BÖLÜM

KETOJENİK DİYETİN ENDİKASYONLARI VE KONTRENDİKASYONLARI

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Antiepileptik ilaçlar ile epilepsili hastaların yaklaşık 1/3'ünde nöbet kontrolü tam olarak sağlanamamaktadır.¹ Bu durumda ilaca dirençli epilepsiden söz edilebilir. Dirençli epilepsi uygun olarak seçilmiş ve tolere edilen iki antiepileptik ilacın, monoterapi ya da kombinasyon ile kullanılmasına rağmen nöbet kontrolünün sağlanamaması olarak tanımlanmaktadır.² Dirençli epilepsi hastalarında epilepsi cerrahisi, vagal sinir stimülasyonu ve ketojenik diyet tedavisi seçenekleri gündeme gelmektedir. Dirençli epilepsi ketojenik diyet tedavisi için en yaygın endikasyondur. Hem fokal hem de jeneralize başlangıçlı nöbetlerde etkili olabileceği bildirilmiştir.³ Çalışmalarda ketojenik diyet uygulanan dirençli epilepsi hastalarının %30 ile %60'ında altı ayda nöbet sıklığında en az %50 oranında azalma olduğu gösterilmiştir. Ketojenik diyet bazı epileptik ensefalopatilerin tedavisinde de etkili bulunmuştur. Ohtahara sendromu, West sendromu, Lennox Gastaut sendromu, Dravet sendromu, Doose sendromu tedavisinde faydalı olduğu bildirilmiştir.⁵

Dirençli epilepsi dışında, beynin enerji metabolizmasındaki iki farklı bozuklukta ketojenik diyet ilk seçenek tedavidir. Bu hastalıklar glukoz transporter protein 1 (GLUT-1) eksikliği sendromu ve pirüvat dehidrogenaz eksikliğidir.^{6,7} GLUT-1 eksikliğinde kan beyin bariyerinden glukoz taşınması bozulur. Pirüvat dehidrogenaz eksikliğinde piruvat asetil-CoA'ya metabolize edilemez. Ketojenik diyet bu iki hastalıkta metabolik defektleri atlayıp beyin için alternatif bir yakıt görevi gören ketonları sağlayarak etkili olur.

Ketojenik diyet tedavisi süt çocukluğu döneminden itibaren yetişkin dönem de dahil olmak üzere kullanılabilir. Önceden süt çocuklarının büyüme döneminde ketozisi sürdürmekte zorlanacağı düşünülüyor ve iki yaşın altındaki çocuklara ketojenik diyet önerilmiyordu. Fakat son dönemde yayınlanan çalışmalarda ketojenik diyet tedavisinin iki yaşın altındaki çocuklarda da güvenli ve etkili olduğu

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