Parameter	Type 2 diabetic patients*	Control subjects*
Gender (M/F)	6/6	6 /6
Age (yr)	52.9 ± 9.9	52.2±14.7
Body-Mass-Index (kg/m ²)	33.9 ± 7.4	31.2 ± 6.4
Waist circumference (cm)	104.4 ± 14.4	102.6 ± 14.2
Waist-to-hip ratio	0.89 ± 0.06	0.88 ± 0.06
Systolic blood pressure (mmHg)	137±14	138 ± 27
Diastolic blood pressure (mmHg) 86±7	89±12
Total Cholesterol (mmol/l)	5.44 ± 1.31	5.60 ± 0.76
HDL-Cholesterol (mmol/l)	1.00 ± 0.26	0.93 ± 0.30
LDL-Cholesterol (mmol/l)	3.66 ± 1.22	3.91 ± 0.81
Triglycerides (mmol/l)	1.64 ± 0.74	1.68 ± 0.80
Uric acid (µmol/l)	353±92.9	332 ± 60.8

Table 1. Characteristics of type 2 diabetic patients and control subjects with normal glucose tolerance (mean \pm SD).

*All comparisons are not statistically significant