

# TMF QIN-QIO Program Campaign for Kidney Health Slide

A Guide to Detecting and Delaying  
Chronic Kidney Disease  
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# About the TMF QIN-QIO Program

- The TMF Quality Innovation Network Quality Improvement Organization (QIN-QIO) is leading a Chronic Kidney Disease Special Innovation Project, under contract with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), to promote the early diagnosis and treatment of chronic kidney disease through an integrated, systemic approach. The goal is to increase timely screening and appropriate treatment among primary care practices and to empower at-risk patients to seek screening for chronic kidney disease.
  - › The TMF QIN-QIO has teamed up with national partners to align subject matter experts, resources and tools to support providers, educators and community partners.
  - › This project will engage primary care physician practices in Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas, specifically practices in rural areas and medically underserved communities. The TMF QIN-QIO will also involve community stakeholders and at-risk patients.

## TMF QIN-QIO LAN Website

- Provides targeted technical assistance and will engage providers and stakeholders in improvement initiatives through numerous Learning and Action Networks (LANs).
- The networks serve as information hubs to monitor data, engage relevant organizations, facilitate learning and sharing of best practices, reduce disparities and elevate the voice of the patient.

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- **Purpose of Education Activity**
  - › The purpose of this education activity is to enhance knowledge of participating registered nurses, physicians and health care providers of the importance of identifying early stage chronic kidney disease (CKD) in the at-risk patient, and understand the screening tools used to identify early CKD and management strategies that help delay CKD progression.

# Disclosure to Participants, 4

- **Learning Outcome:**

- › The professional registered nurse, physician and health care provider will have increased knowledge of identifying early stage chronic kidney disease (CKD) in the at-risk patient, knowledge of the screening tools used to identify CKD and recognize management strategies that help delay the progression of CKD.

- **Learning Objectives of this Education Activity**

- › Describe suitable screening tools, such as GFR and ACR, for proper utilization in clinical practice related to the diagnosis and monitoring of CKD.
  - › Define and classify CKD, based on GFR and albuminuria categories, in order to guide appropriate treatment approaches.
  - › Recognize evidence-based management strategies that will help delay CKD progression in at-risk patients and improve outcomes.

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  - › Presenter: Michael Choi has reported to receive honorarium from AstraZeneca for Co-chairing the Mid-Atlantic Nephrology Young Investigators Forum – 20 fellows present research on kidney disease at a CME forum.
  - › Questions & Answers/Presenter: Joseph Vassalotti, MD has reported that he has a non-speaker role with KPMG, Inc. as International Dialysis Quality Review and a consultant for Merck.

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- **Friday, September 21, 2018** is the deadline to retrieve CE credits.

# Introduction of Today's Presenter

- Dr. Michael Choi
  - › National Kidney Foundation (NKF), President and Chair, NKF Scientific Advisory Board.
  - › Associate professor of medicine at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.
    - Vital role in developing NKF's courses on chronic kidney disease for primary care clinicians:
      - Early diagnosis, slow progression, treat complications, offer guidance for referral to nephrologists and share renal replacement options including conservative care.



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# Guide to Detecting and Delaying Progress of Chronic Kidney Disease

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# Learning Objectives

- Describe screening tools, eGFR and ACR, for the diagnosis and monitoring of chronic kidney disease (CKD.)
- Define and classify CKD, based on GFR and albuminuria categories, to help guide appropriate treatment approaches.
- Describe how the registered nurse can play an active role in timely intervention and patient education for patients with CKD
- Recognize evidence-based management strategies that will help delay CKD progression and help improve outcomes in at-risk patients.



# Case Question 1

A 55 year-old Caucasian-American man, with a history of type 2 diabetes (15 years), hypertension (3 years) dyslipidemia (5 years) and cardiovascular disease (myocardial infarction 3 years ago). He was recently diagnosed with CKD. His most recent labs reveal an estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) of 45 ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> and a urine albumin to creatinine ratio (ACR) of 38 mg/g. Which of the following should be avoided?

- A. ACE and ARB in combination
- B. Daily low-dose aspirin
- C. NSAIDs
- D. Statins
- E. A and C



# Case Question 2

All of the following adult patients should be referred for nephrology consultation, EXCEPT?

- A. Initial visit: eGFR 26 & 3 months later: eGFR 28 (mL/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>)
- B. B. Initial visit: eGFR 55, & 3 months later: eGFR 43 confirmed with repeat eGFR 45 (mL/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>)
- C. Initial visit: ACR 450 & 3 months later: ACR 395 (mg/g) on both dates the eGFR >60 mL/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>
- D. Initial visit: eGFR >60 & 3 months later: eGFR >60 (mL/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>) with personal history of Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease
- E. Initial visit: eGFR 42 & 3 months later: eGFR 44 (mL/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>) on both dates the ACR <30 mg/g



# Steps to CKD Patient Care

1. Does the patient have CKD?
2. Assess GFR, albuminuria.
3. Determine etiology.
4. Assess for evidence of progression.
5. Assess for associated complications.
6. Registered nurse to provide patient education.
7. Assess life expectancy and patient wishes for dialysis/transplantation.



# Definition of Chronic Kidney Disease\*

CKD is defined as abnormalities of kidney structure or function, present for >3 months, with implications for health.

Criteria for CKD (either of the following present for >3 months)

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Markers of kidney damage (one or more)

Albuminuria (AER  $\geq$  30 mg/24 hours; ACR  $\geq$  30 mg/g [ $\geq$  3 mg/mmol])  
Urine sediment abnormalities  
Electrolyte and other abnormalities due to tubular disorders  
Abnormalities detected by histology  
Structural abnormalities detected by imaging  
History of kidney transplantation

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Decreased GFR

GFR  $<$  60 ml/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> (GFR categories G3a-G5)

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\*Registered nurse to provide patient education on CKD

# Assign Albuminuria Category

## Albuminuria Categories in CKD

Category	ACR (mg/g)	Terms
<b>A1</b>	<30	Normal to mildly increased
<b>A2</b>	30-299	Moderately increased*
<b>A3</b>	≥300	Severely increased**

\*Relative to young adult level. ACR 30-300 mg/g for >3 months indicates CKD.  
\*\*Including nephrotic syndrome (albumin excretion ACR >2220 mg/g).

# Assign GFR Category

GFR Categories in CKD			
Category	GFR	Terms	Clinical Presentations
<b>G1</b>	≥90	Normal or high	Markers of kidney damage (nephrotic syndrome, nephritic syndrome, tubular syndromes, urinary tract symptoms, asymptomatic urinalysis abnormalities, asymptomatic radiologic abnormalities, hypertension due to kidney disease) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mild to severe complications:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Anemia</li> <li>○ Mineral and bone disorder                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Elevated parathyroid hormone</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Cardiovascular disease                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Hypertension</li> <li>▪ Lipid abnormalities</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Low serum albumin</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>G2</b>	60-89	Mildly decreased*	
<b>G3a</b>	45-59	Mildly to moderately decreased	
<b>G3b</b>	30-44	Moderately to severely decreased	
<b>G4</b>	15-29	Severely decreased	
<b>G5</b>	<15	Kidney failure	
GFR = mL/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup> *Relative to young adult level In the absence of evidence of kidney damage, neither GFR category G1 nor G2 fulfill the criteria for CKD. Refer to a nephrologist and prepare for kidney replacement therapy when GFR <30 mL/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup> .			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Includes all of the above</li> <li>• Uremia</li> </ul>

# Classification of CKD Based on GFR and Albuminuria

## Categories: "Heat Map"

CKD is classified based on:

- Cause (C)
- GFR (G)
- Albuminuria (A)

				Albuminuria categories		
				Description and range		
				A1	A2	A3
				Normal to mildly increased	Moderately increased	Severely increased
				<30 mg/g <3 mg/mmol	30-299 mg/g 3-29 mg/mmol	≥300 mg/g ≥30 mg/mmol
				GFR categories (ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> ) Description and range	G1	Normal or high
G2	Mildly decreased	60-89	1 if CKD		Monitor 1	Refer* 2
G3a	Mildly to moderately decreased	45-59	Monitor 1		Monitor 2	Refer 3
G3b	Moderately to severely decreased	30-44	Monitor 2		Monitor 3	Refer 3
G4	Severely decreased	15-29	Refer* 3		Refer* 3	Refer 4+
G5	Kidney failure	<15	Refer 4+		Refer 4+	Refer 4+



**Colors:** Represents the risk for progression, morbidity and mortality by color from best to worst. Green: low risk (if no other markers of kidney disease, no CKD); Yellow: moderately increased risk; Orange: high risk; Red: very high risk.

**Numbers:** Recommendation for number of times per year the patient should be monitored.

**Refer:** Indicates nephrology referral is recommended.

\*Referring clinicians may wish to discuss with nephrology service on local arrangements regarding monitoring or referral.

Adapted from Kidney Disease: Improving Global Outcomes (KDIGO) CKD Work Group. *Kidney Int Suppl.* 2013;3:1-150.



# Screening Tools: eGFR

- Considered the best overall index of kidney function.
- Normal GFR varies according to age, sex, and body size, and declines with age.
- The NKF recommends using the CKD-EPI Creatinine Equation (2009) to estimate GFR. Other useful calculators related to kidney disease include MDRD and Cockcroft-Gault.
- For GFR calculators search: [GFR calculator – The National Kidney Foundation](#)

# eGFR, SCr Comparison

Age	Sex	Race	SCr mg/dl	eGFR ml/min per CKD-EPI
25	M	AA	1.6	68
49	F	Hispanic	1.6	38
67	M	Asian	1.6	44
92	F	Caucasian	1.6	28



# eGFR, SCr Comparison, 2

Age	Sex	Race	SCr mg/dl	eGFR ml/min per CKD-EPI	Weight in lbs Height in Ft/in	eGFR Adj for BSA
25	M	AA	1.6	68	285 6'	97
49	F	Hispanic	1.6	38	180 5'4"	41
67	M	Asian	1.6	44	155 5'8"	46
92	F	Caucasian	1.6	28	98 5'1"	22



# Average Measured GFR by Age in People Without CKD

Age (Years)	Average Measured GFR (mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> )
20-29	116
30-39	107
40-49	99
50-59	93
60-69	85
70+	75



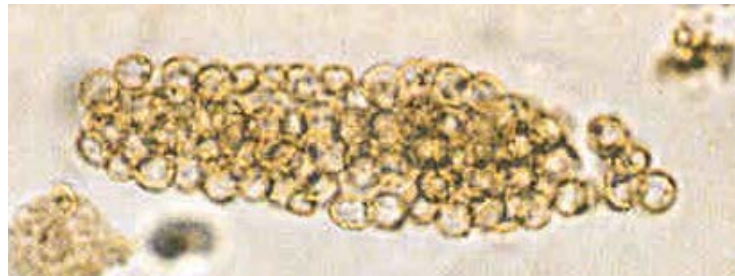
# Use These Equations Cautiously, if at all in....

- Patients who have/are:
  - Poor nutrition/loss of muscle mass
  - Amputation
  - Chronic illness
  - Not African American or Caucasian
  - Changing serum creatinine
  - Obese
  - Very elderly, young



# Clinical Evaluation of Patients with CKD

- Blood pressure
- HbA1c
- Serum creatinine
  - Use a GFR estimating equation or clearance measurement; don't rely on serum creatinine concentration alone.
  - Be attentive to changes in creatinine over time--even in "normal" range.
- Spot urine for protein-to-creatinine or albumin-to-creatinine ratio.
- Electrolytes, blood glucose, CBC
- Urinalysis
  - Urine sediment



Red cell cast



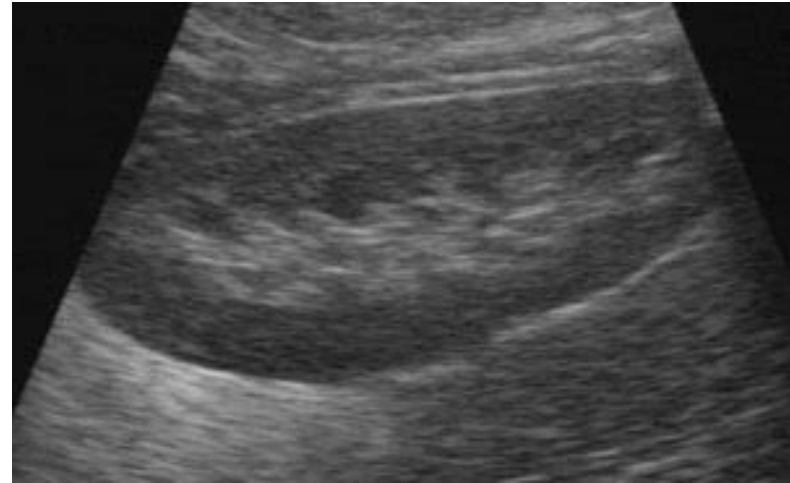
# Clinical Evaluation of Patients with CKD, 2

- Depending on CKD stage: albumin, phosphate, calcium, intact parathyroid hormone (iPTH)
- Depending on age and H&P
  - Free light chain assay, serum/urine protein electrophoresis (SPEP, UPEP) for monoclonal gammopathy
  - HIV, HCV, HBV tests
  - Serum complement levels (C3, C4), other serologies—if there is a specific reason
- Renal imaging - Usually ultrasound



# CKD or AKI from urinary obstruction

- Voiding symptoms
  - Diabetics, older men
  - anticholinergics, opiates
- Partial obstruction
  - Urine output variable
- Dx: **Ultrasound**
  - Kidney sizes normally 10-12 cm
  - < 10 cm implies CKD
- Rx: foley/nephrostomy tube





# Clinical Evaluation of Patients with CKD, 3

- Standard urine dipsticks detect total protein  $>30$  mg/dL - not sensitive enough for "microalbuminuria" screening, especially with dilute urine.
- Untimed, random "spot" urine for albumin-to-creatinine or protein-to-creatinine ratio (first morning void preferred).



# Definitions: Albuminuria and Proteinuria

- Normal Albuminuria
  - Albumin-to-creatinine ratio  $<30$  mg/g creatinine
- Moderately Increased Albuminuria
  - Albumin-to-creatinine ratio 30-299 mg/g creatinine
  - 24-hour urine albumin 30-300 mg/d
- Severely Increased Albuminuria
  - Albumin-to-creatinine ratio  $\geq 300$  mg albumin/g creatinine
  - 24-hour urine albumin  $>300$  mg/d
- Proteinuria
  - (+) urine dipstick at  $>30$  mg/dl
  - $\geq 200$  mg protein/g creatinine
  - 24-hour urine protein  $>300$  mg/d

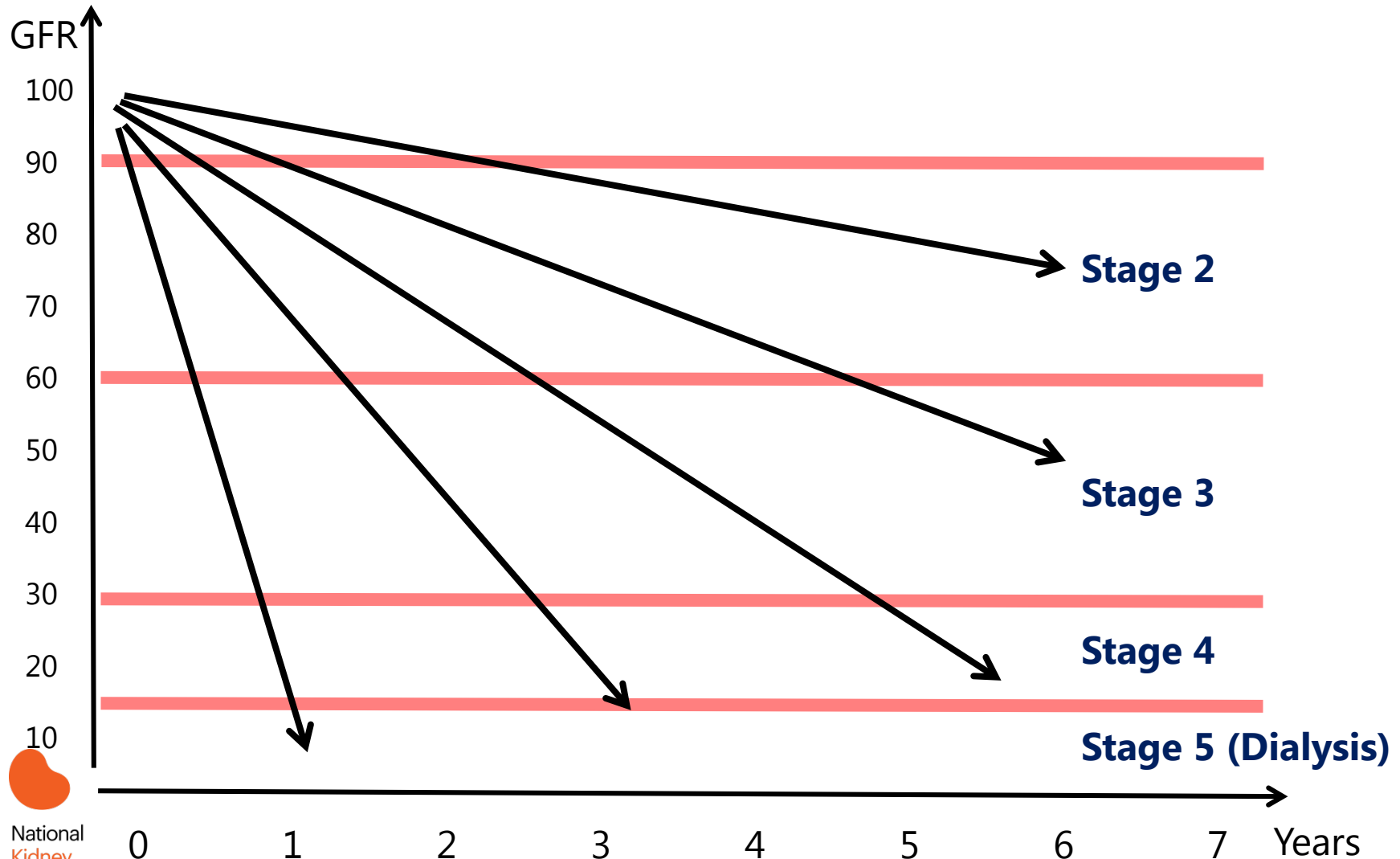


# Slowing Progression of CKD



# CKD- Progression of Kidney Failure Concept

Variable depending on several factors including (1) type of disease and (2) *how well it is treated*

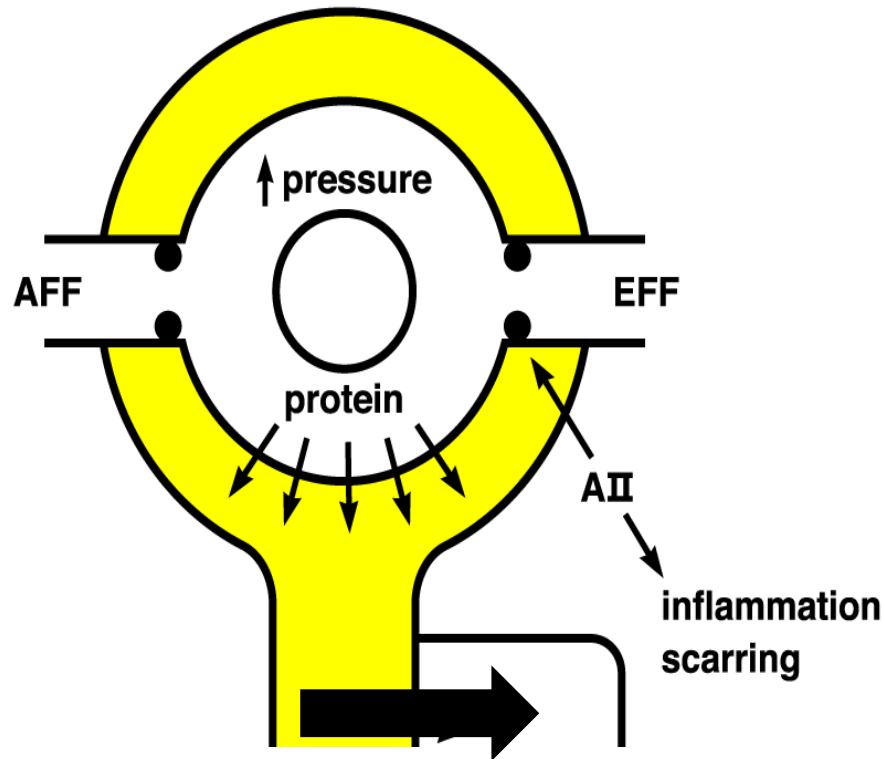


# Blood Pressure and CKD Progression

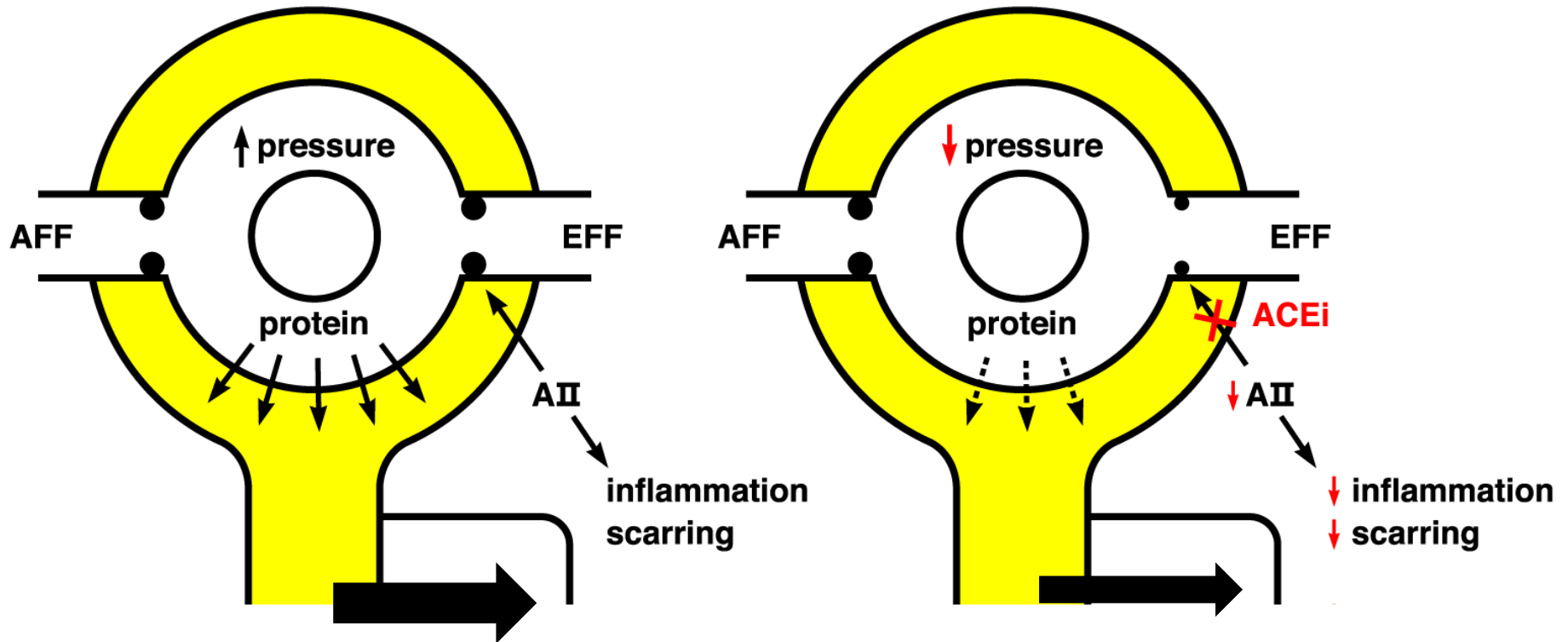
- Control of BP more important than exactly which agents are used
  - Avoidance of side-effects is important.
- With albuminuria/proteinuria
  - : ACEi or ARB +/- diuretic
- No albuminuria/proteinuria: no clear drug preference
  - ACEi or ARB ok to use



# ACE inhibitor in CKD with albuminuria and HTN\*



# ACE inhibitor in CKD with albuminuria and HTN\*, 2



# Slowing CKD Progression: ACEi/ARB

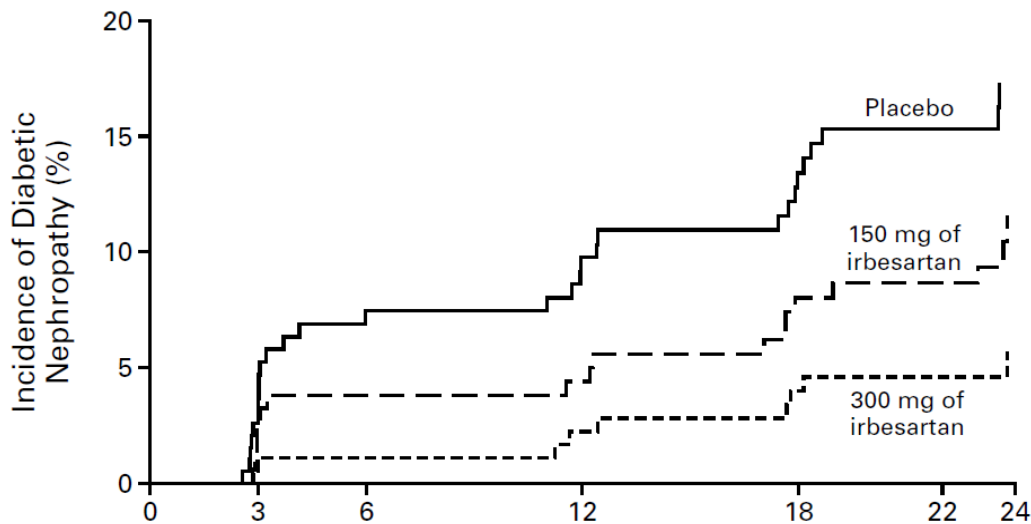
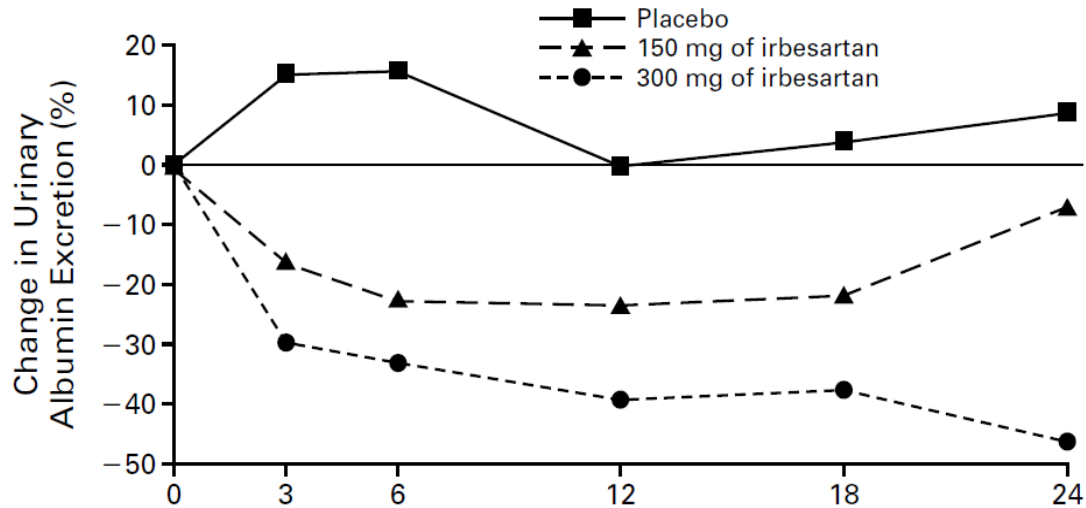
- Check labs after initiation.
  - If less than 25% SCr increase, continue and monitor.
  - If more than 25% SCr increase, stop ACEi and evaluate for renal artery stenosis (RAS).
- Continue until contraindication arises, no absolute eGFR cutoff.
- Better proteinuria suppression with low Na diet and diuretics.
- Avoid volume depletion.





# ARBs and Diabetic Nephropathy

ARB and ACEi equivalent for moderate proteinuria reduction



# Goals for Renoprotection

- Target blood pressure in non-dialysis CKD.<sup>1</sup>
  - Any ACR:  $\leq 130/80$  mm Hg.
  - Consider individualizing targets and agents.
- **Avoid ACEi and ARB in combination.**<sup>3,4</sup>
  - Risk of adverse events (impaired kidney function, hyperkalemia).

\*Reasonable to select a goal of 140/90 mm Hg, especially for moderate albuminuria (ACR 30-300 mg/g).<sup>2</sup>

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# Relationship Between Achieved BP and Decline in Kidney Function from Primary Renal Endpoint Trials

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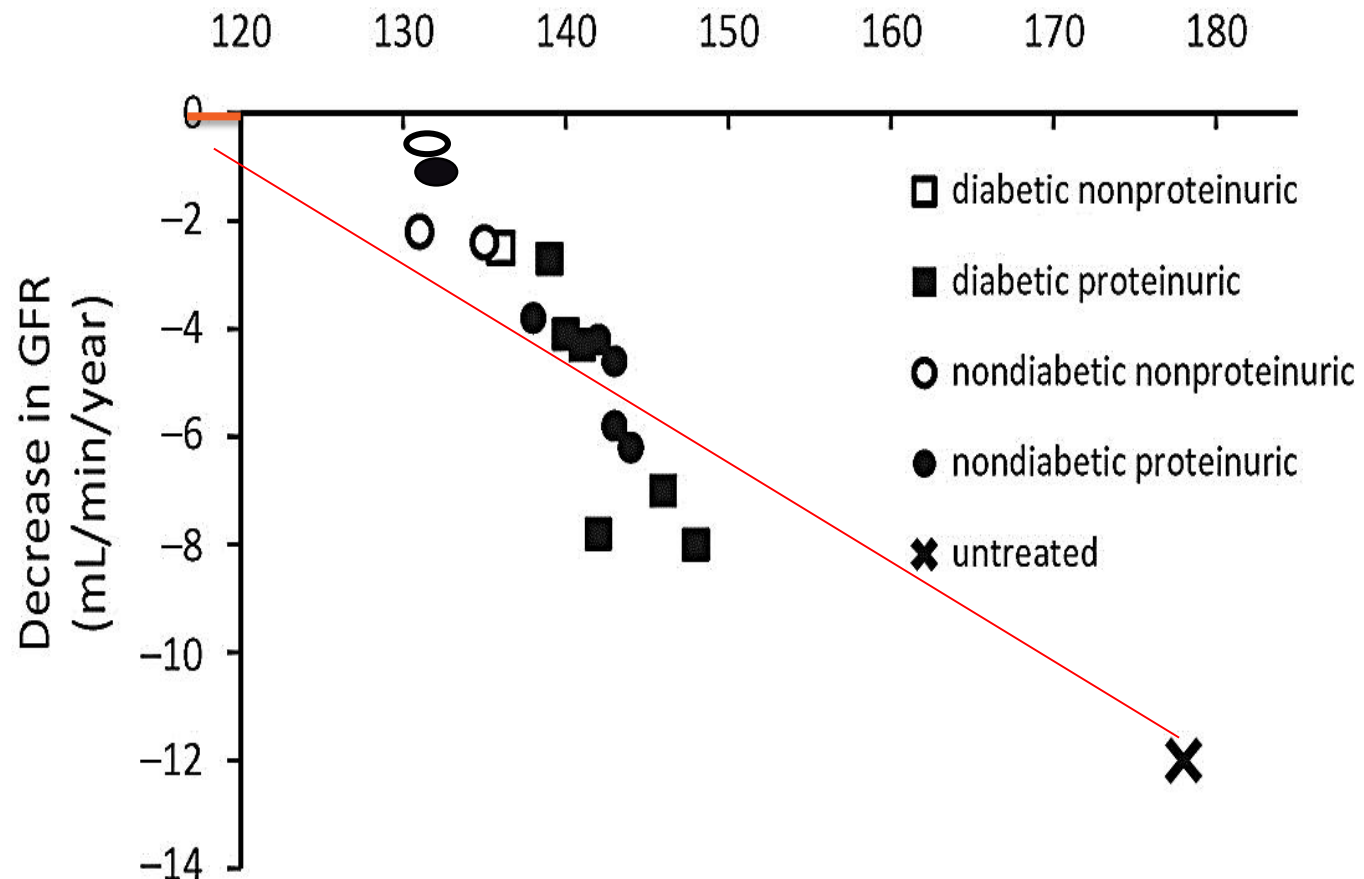
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Systolic Blood Pressure (mm Hg)



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Update from Kalaitzidis R and Bakris GL In: *Handbook of Chronic Kidney Disease.* Daugirdas J (Ed.) 2011.

# Managing Hyperglycemia

- Hyperglycemia is a fundamental cause of vascular complications, including CKD.
- Poor glycemic control has been associated with albuminuria in type 2 diabetes.
- Risk of hypoglycemia increases as kidney function becomes impaired.
- Declining kidney function may necessitate changes to diabetes medications and renally cleared drugs.
- Target HbA1c ~7.0%.
  - Can be extended above 7.0% with comorbidities or limited life expectancy, and risk of hypoglycemia.

# Other Goals of CKD Management

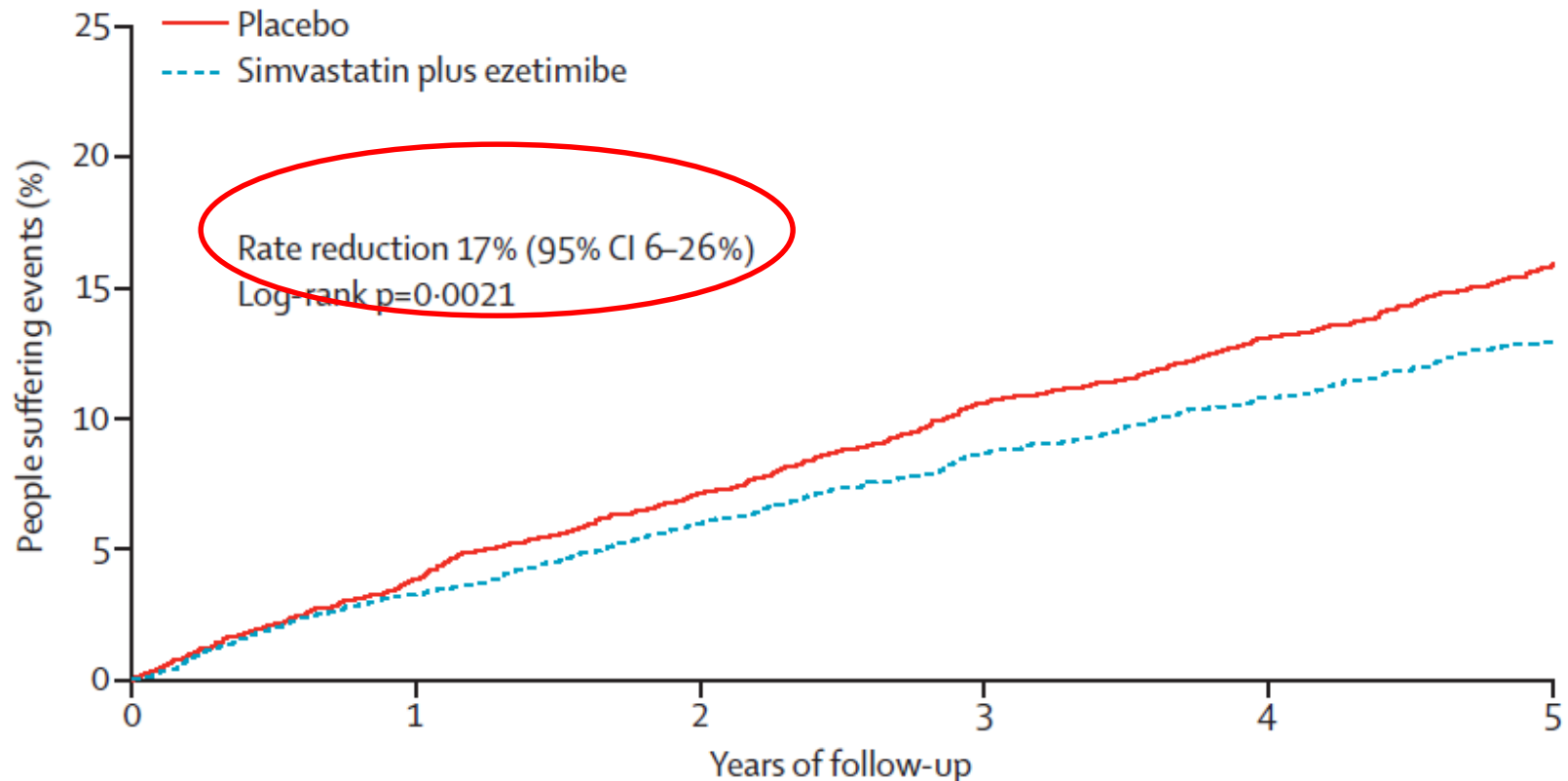
- NSAID avoidance
- Limit sodium intake to  $<90$  mmol (2 gm sodium; or 5 gm sodium chloride or salt) per day with HTN and/or proteinuria.
- CVD management: lipids, ASA (secondary prevention), etc.



# Lipid Disorders in CKD

- Use statin alone or statin + ezetimibe in adults  $\geq 50$  yrs with CKD 3-5(ND).
- Use statin alone in adults  $\geq 50$  yrs with CKD 1-2.
- In adults  $< 50$  yrs use statin alone if history of known CAD, MI, DM, stroke.
- Consider a “fire and forget” rather than “treat to target” strategy.
  - Consider treating CKD patients (Non dialysis) with statins or Statin/ezetimibe combinations without the need for follow up blood tests.

# Lipid Disorders in CKD, 2



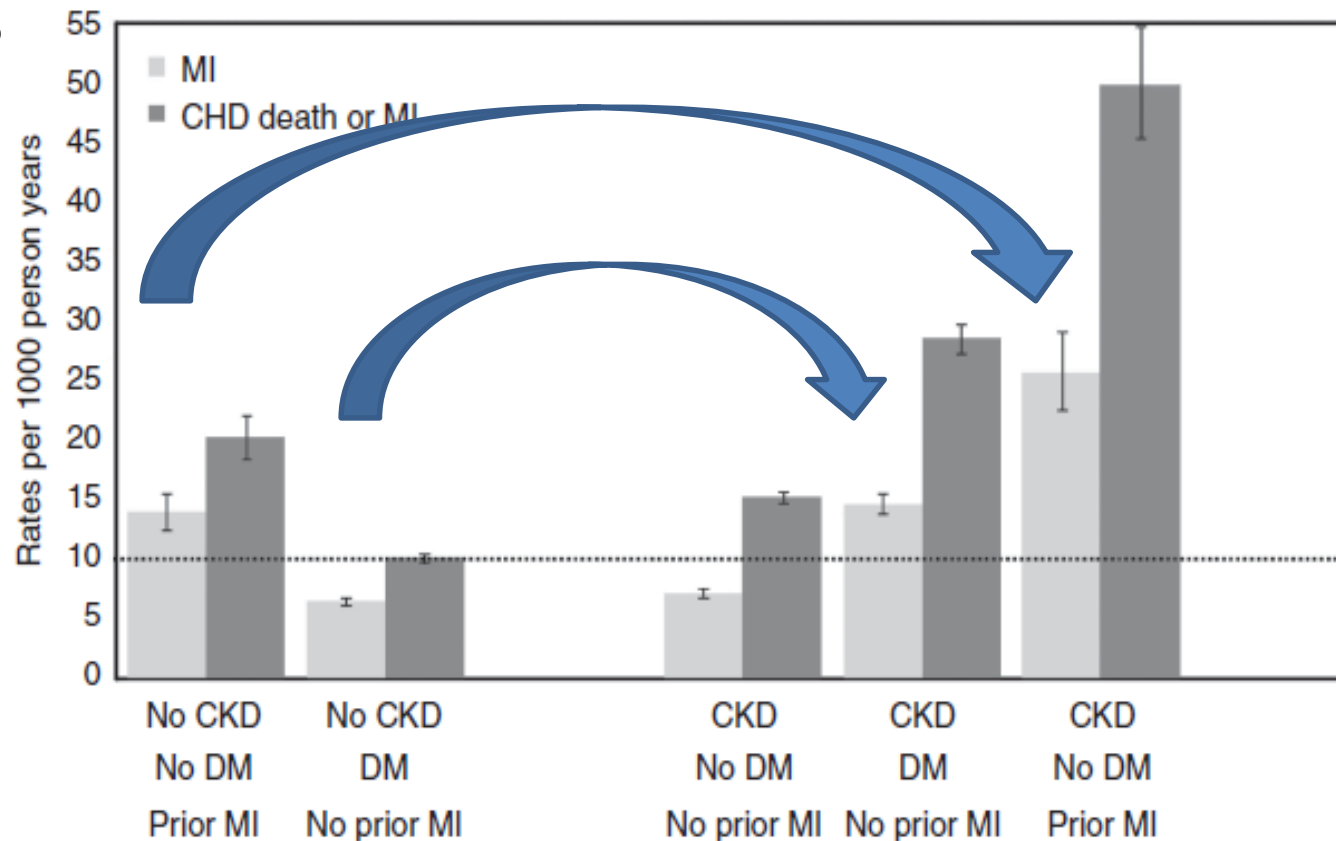
A 32% reduction in LDL → 17% reduction in primary outcome (nonfatal MI, coronary death, nonhemorrhagic stroke, arterial revascularization).

No reduction in CKD progression, overall or CAD mortality, other individual CAD end-points.

Baigent C, et al. Study of Heart and Renal Protection (SHARP). *Lancet*. 2011;11:60739-60743.

# 10-Year Coronary Risk Based on Age and Other Patient Characteristics

Future 10-year coronary risk based on patient characteristics. Unadjusted rates from 1,268,029 participants.<sup>1,2</sup>



Age > 50

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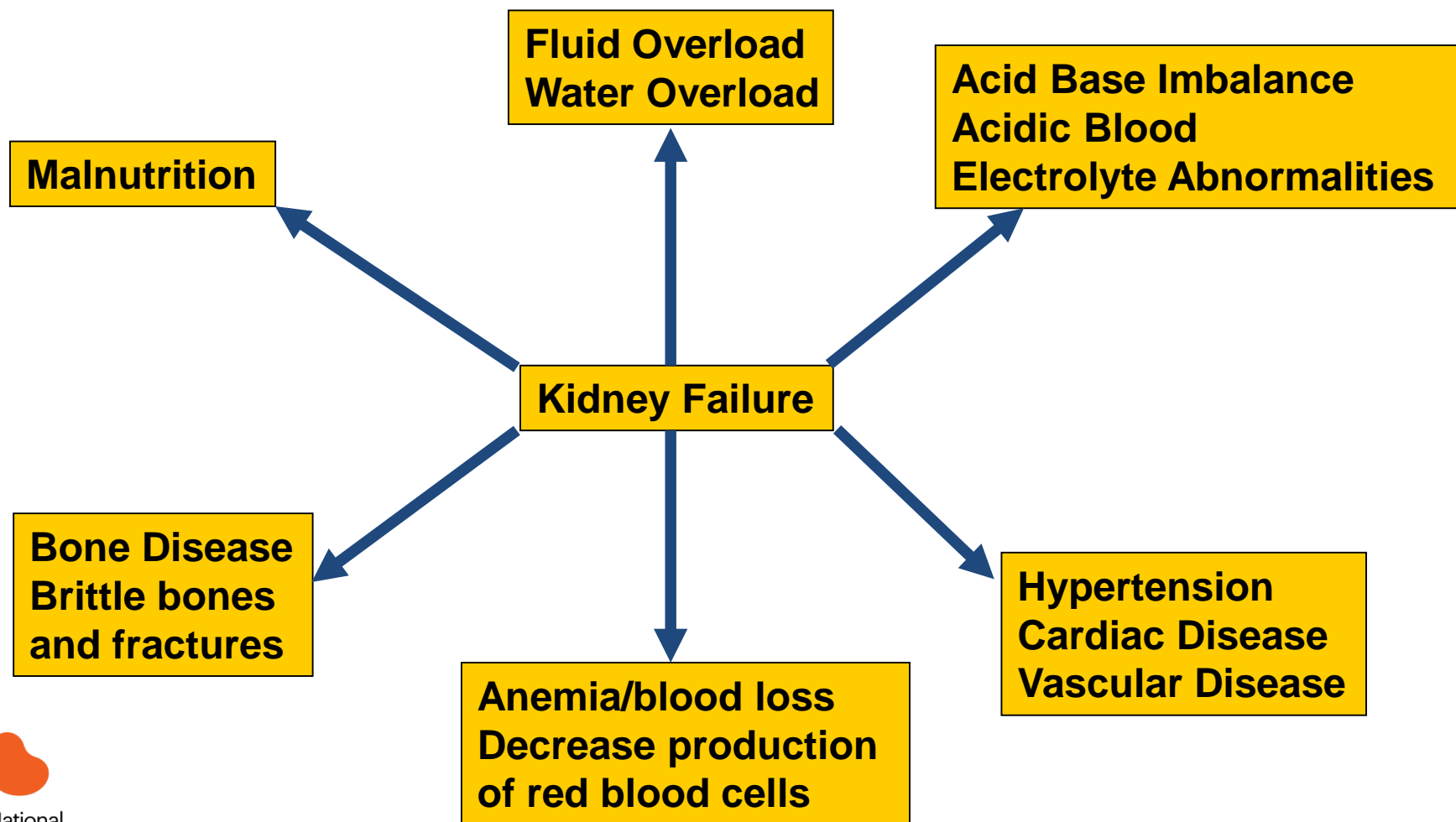
**CABG**, coronary artery bypass grafting; **CHD**, coronary heart disease; **CKD**, chronic kidney disease; **CVA**, cerebrovascular accident; **DM**, diabetes mellitus; **MI**, myocardial infarction; **PTCA**, percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty; **TIA**, transient ischemic attack.



# Overview of Managing CKD Complications



# Complications of Kidney Failure Start in Stage 3 and Progress



# Anemia in CKD

- Initiate iron therapy if TSAT  $\leq 30\%$  and ferritin  $\leq 500$  ng/mL (IV iron for dialysis, oral for non-dialysis CKD).
- Individualize erythropoiesis stimulating agents (ESA) therapy – Start ESA if Hb  $< 10$  g/dl, and maintain Hb  $< 11.5$  g/dl. Ensure adequate Fe stores.
  - Appropriate iron supplementation is needed for ESA to be effective.
- ESA usually not required for CKD related anemia until stage 4/5.
- Diagnostic workup of anemia is particularly important if severity of anemia is disproportionate to CKD staging.
- Important to avoid transfusion in transplant candidates.
  - If transfused use leukocyte filter to reduce HLA sensitization.



# CKD-Mineral Bone Disorder (MBD) Testing

CKD Stage	Calcium, Phosphorus	PTH	25(OH)D
Stage 3	Every 6-12 months	Once then based on CKD progression	Once, then based on level and treatments
Stage 4	Every 3-6 months	Every 6-12 months	
Stage 5	Every 1-3 months	Every 3-6 months	

Use CKD progression, presence or absence of abnormalities, treatment response, and side effects to guide testing frequency.

# CKD-MBD

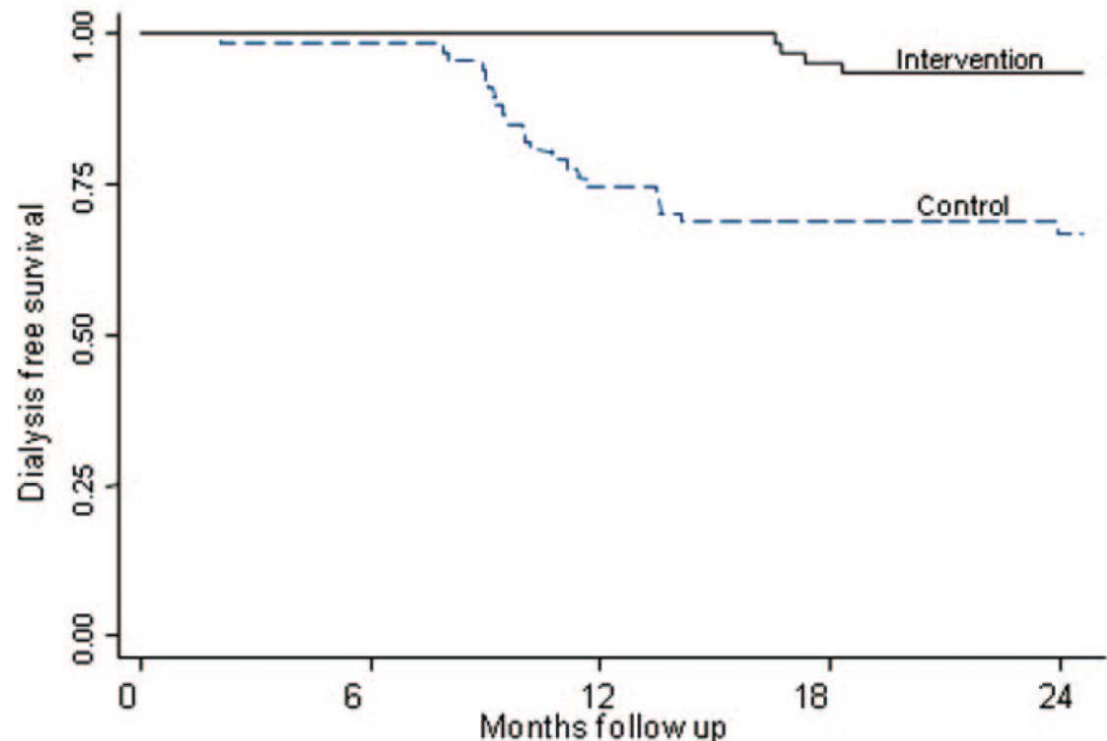
- Treat with D3 as indicated to achieve normal serum levels.
- 2000 IU D3 po qd is cheaper and better absorbed than 50,000 IU of D2 monthly dose.
- Limit phosphorus in diet, with emphasis on decreasing packaged products - Refer to renal RD.
- May need phosphate binders.
- DEXA doesn't predict fracture risk in CKD 3-5.



# Metabolic Acidosis

- Often becomes apparent at GFR <25-30 ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>.
  - More severe with higher protein intake.
- May contribute to bone disease, protein catabolism, and progression of CKD.
- Correction of metabolic acidosis may slow CKD progression and improve patients functional status.<sup>1,2</sup>

eGFR 15-30  
ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> Serum  
bicarbonate 16-20 mmol/L;  
treated with sodium  
bicarbonate for 2 years.<sup>2</sup>



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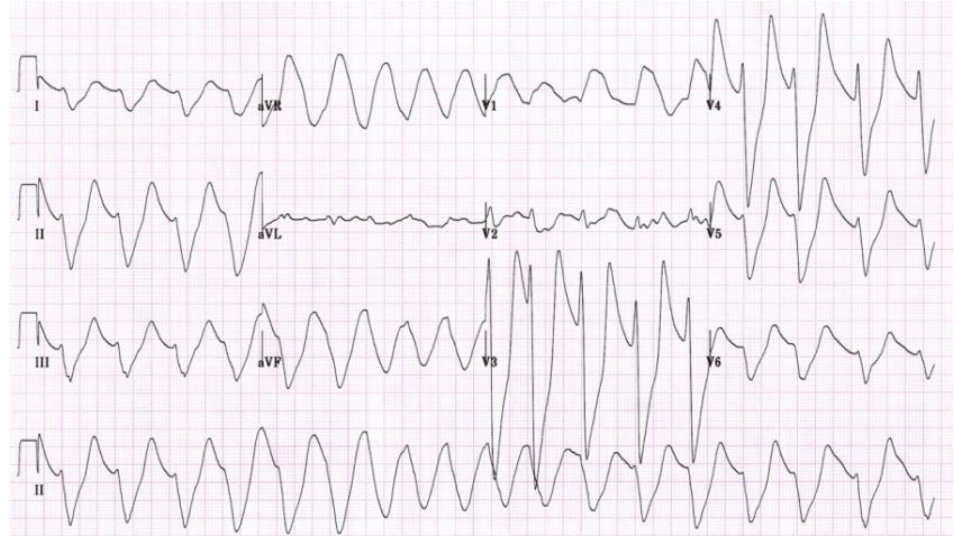


# Metabolic Acidosis, 2

- Maintain serum bicarbonate  $\geq 22$  mmol/L.
  - Start with 0.5-1 mEq/kg per day.
  - Sodium bicarbonate tablets:
    - 325mg, 625 mg tablets; 1 g = 12 mEq.
  - Sodium citrate solution:
    - 1 mEq/ml.
    - Avoid if on aluminum phosphate binders.
  - Baking soda:
    - 54 mmol/level tsp.



# Hyperkalemia



- Reduce dietary potassium.
- Stop NSAIDs, COX-2 inhibitors.
- Stop potassium sparing diuretics.
  - Aldactone
- Stop or reduce beta blockers.
- Avoid salt substitutes that contain potassium.
- Stop or reduce ACEi/ARBs.





# Acute Management of Hyperkalemia

Treatment	Expected serum K <sup>+</sup> ↓	Peak effect	Duration	Mechanism
IV Calcium chloride	None	Instant	Transient	Stabilize myocardium
Insulin + dextrose	0.5-1 mEq/L	30-60 mins	4-6 hrs	Cellular shift
B2-adrenergic agonists	0.5-1 mEq/L	30 mins	2 hrs	Cellular shift
Sodium bicarbonate	Variable depending on acidosis	4h		Cellular shift
Loop/ thiazide diuretics		Hours		↑ renal K <sup>+</sup> excretion

# Chronic Management of Hyperkalemia

- Loop or thiazide diuretics.
- Laxatives:
  - As effective as cation exchange resins in sorbitol.
  - Those that induce secretory diarrhea may be more effective (e.g. bisacodyl).
  - Diphenolic laxatives may stimulate colonic  $K^+$  secretion.
- Cation exchange resins:
  - Sodium polystyrene sulfonate
  - Mechanism:
    - Theoretical: Bound  $Na^+$  exchanged for  $K^+$  in colonic/ rectal lumen.
    - Likely: Accompanying sorbitol induces diarrhea.
  - Usually requires multiple doses.
  - Risk of bowel necrosis or perforation.



# Risk Factors for Infection in People with CKD

- Advanced age
- High burden of coexisting illnesses (e.g., diabetes)
- Hypoalbuminuria
- Immunosuppressive therapy
- Nephrotic syndrome
- Uremia
- Anemia and malnutrition
- High prevalence of functional disabilities

# Vaccination in CKD

- Annual influenza vaccine for all adults with CKD, unless contraindicated.
- Polyvalent pneumococcal vaccine when eGFR  $<30$  ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> and at high risk of pneumococcal infection (e.g., nephrotic syndrome, diabetes, receiving immunosuppression), unless contraindicated. Offer revaccination within 5 years.
- Hepatitis B immunization when GFR  $<30$  ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>. Confirm response with appropriate serological testing.
- Use of a live vaccine should consider the patient's immune status (e.g., immunosuppression).

# Malnutrition and CKD

- Malnutrition or protein energy wasting (PEW) is common in CKD, and is associated with poor patient outcomes.
- Malnutrition in CKD begins as early as stages 3 and 4. Risk increases with progression of the disease.
- Preventing PEW or malnutrition may require clinical interventions to assess nutritional status, individualize strategies for prevention and treatment, provide patient instruction and promote patient adherence.
- A specialty-trained registered dietitian can help address the nutritional aspects so that protein wasting can be diminished.

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# A Balanced Approach to Nutrition in CKD: Macronutrient Composition and Mineral Content\*

Nutrient	Stage of CKD		
	1-2	1-4	3-4
Sodium (g/d)		<2.3	
Total fat* (% of calories)		<30	
Saturated fat (% of calories)		<10	
Cholesterol (mg/d)		<200	
Carbohydrate (% of calories)		50-60	
Protein (g/kg/d, % of calories)			
No diabetes	1.4 (~18)		0.6-0.8 (~8-10)
Diabetes	0.8 (~10)		0.6-0.8 (~8-10)
Phosphorus (g/d)	1.7		0.8-1.0
Potassium (g/d)	>4		2.4

Adapted from DASH (dietary approaches to stop hypertension) diet.

\*Adjust so total calories from protein, fat, and carbohydrate are 100%. Emphasize such whole-food sources as fresh vegetables, whole grains, nuts, legumes, low-fat or nonfat dairy products, canola oil, olive oil, cold-water fish, and poultry.

\*(CKD Stages 1-4)

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# Education and Counseling

- Ethical, psychological and social care (e.g., social bereavement, depression, anxiety).
- Dietary counseling and education on other lifestyle modifications (e.g., exercise, smoking cessation).
- The registered nurse's role in providing education:
  - Involve the patient, family and children if possible.
  - Offer literature in both traditional and interactive formats.
  - Use educational materials written in the patient's language.
  - Assess the need for low-level reading materials.
  - Use internet resources and smartphone apps as appropriate.
  - Use visual aids such as handouts, drawings, CDs, and DVDs.
  - Involve other health care professionals in educating patients/families.
  - Be consistent in the information provided.



# Mental Health Counseling

- Psychiatric illnesses like depression are associated with many chronic diseases.
- Depression is linked to early CKD, progressive CKD, kidney failure, hospitalization and increased mortality.<sup>1-4</sup>
- Patients with GFR <60 mL/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> should undergo regular assessment for impairment of functioning and well-being.<sup>5</sup>

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# CKD Care Among Special Populations



# Considerations for CKD Management in Older Adults

- More than 36 million adults are now over the age of 65 and 50% have two or more chronic diseases.<sup>1</sup>
- Management requires an individualized approach, with attention to unique considerations for older adults.
- Treatment of hypertension in older adults has been shown to reduce CV morbidity and mortality. However, older frail adults should be monitored for risk of hypotension.<sup>2,3</sup>
- Less stringent glycemic goals can be appropriate for older adults with other comorbidities, or those at higher risk for hypoglycemia.<sup>4</sup>
- Exercise can have multiple benefits. A weight control program should be individually tailored to preserve body cell mass and function, while losing fat mass.<sup>5,6</sup>

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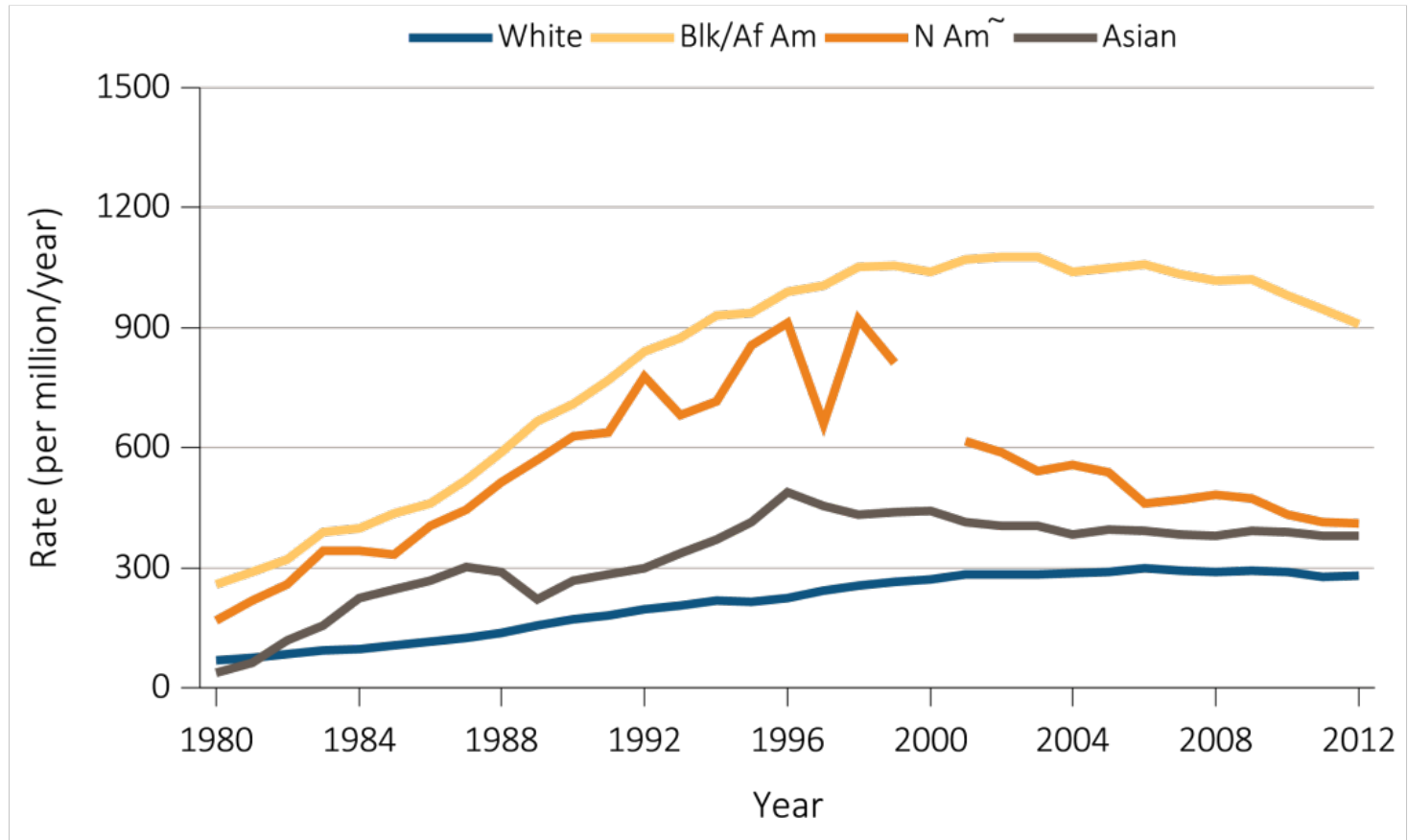
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# Incidence of ESRD Varies Widely by Race and Ethnicity

Adjusted\* ESRD incidence rate, per million/year, by race, in the U.S. population, 1980-2012.



# Additional Online Resources for CKD Learning

- National Kidney Foundation: [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org)
- United States Renal Data Service: [www.usrds.org](http://www.usrds.org)
- CDC's CKD Surveillance Project: <http://nccd.cdc.gov/ckd>
- National Kidney Foundation: [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org)
- United States Renal Data Service: [www.usrds.org](http://www.usrds.org)
- National Kidney Disease Education Program (NKDEP): <http://nkdep.nih.gov>

