



Dialysis Dosing: Kinetics Versus Physiology

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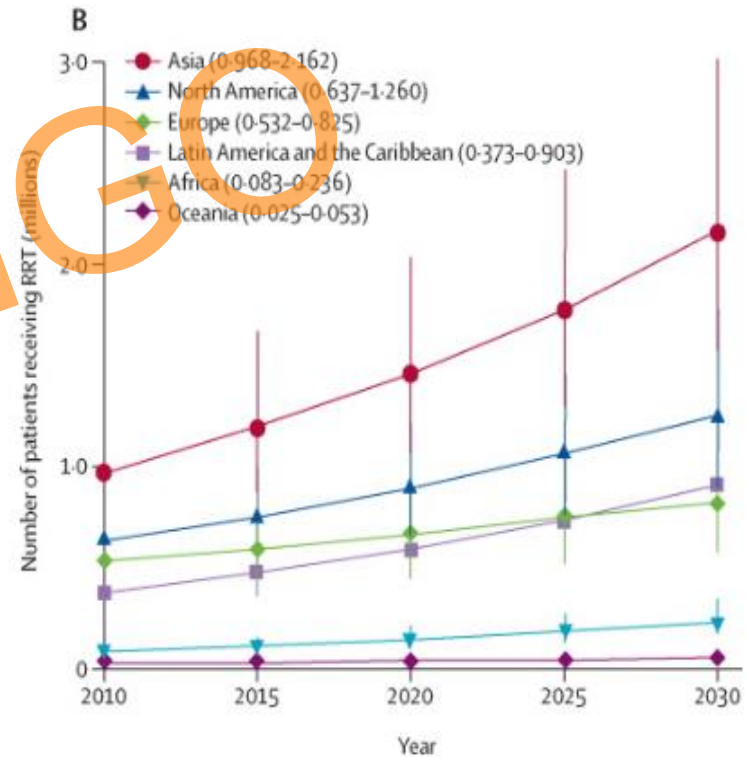
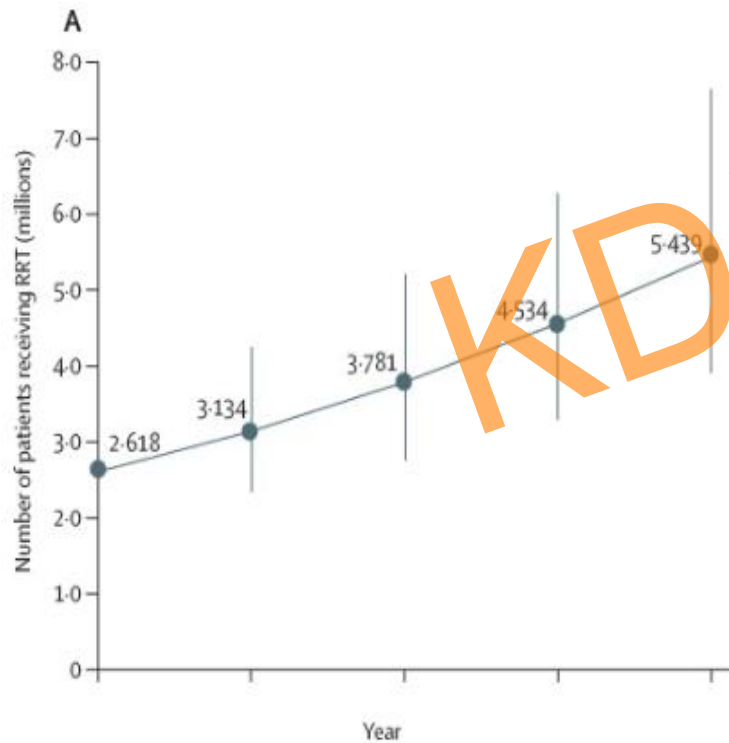
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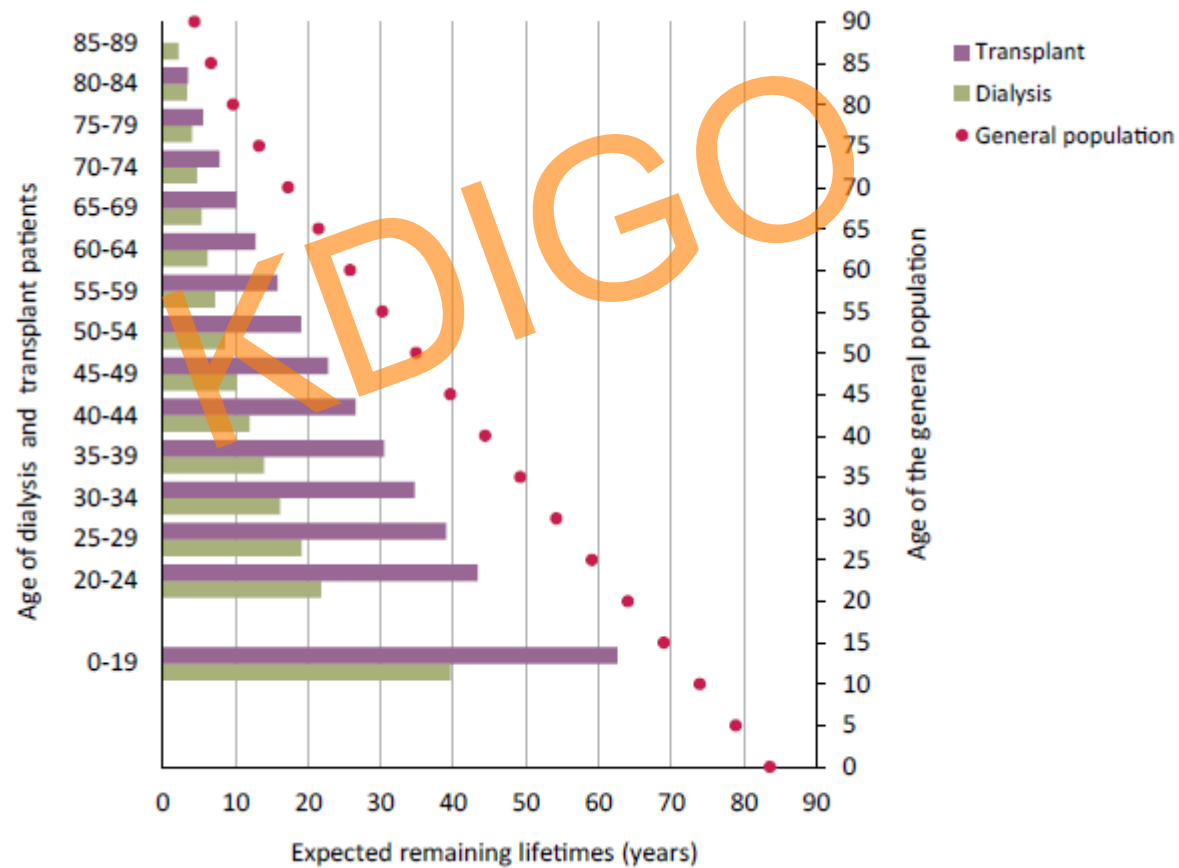
Epidemiology

Estimated number of patients undergoing RRT from 2010 to 2030 worldwide (A) and by region (B)



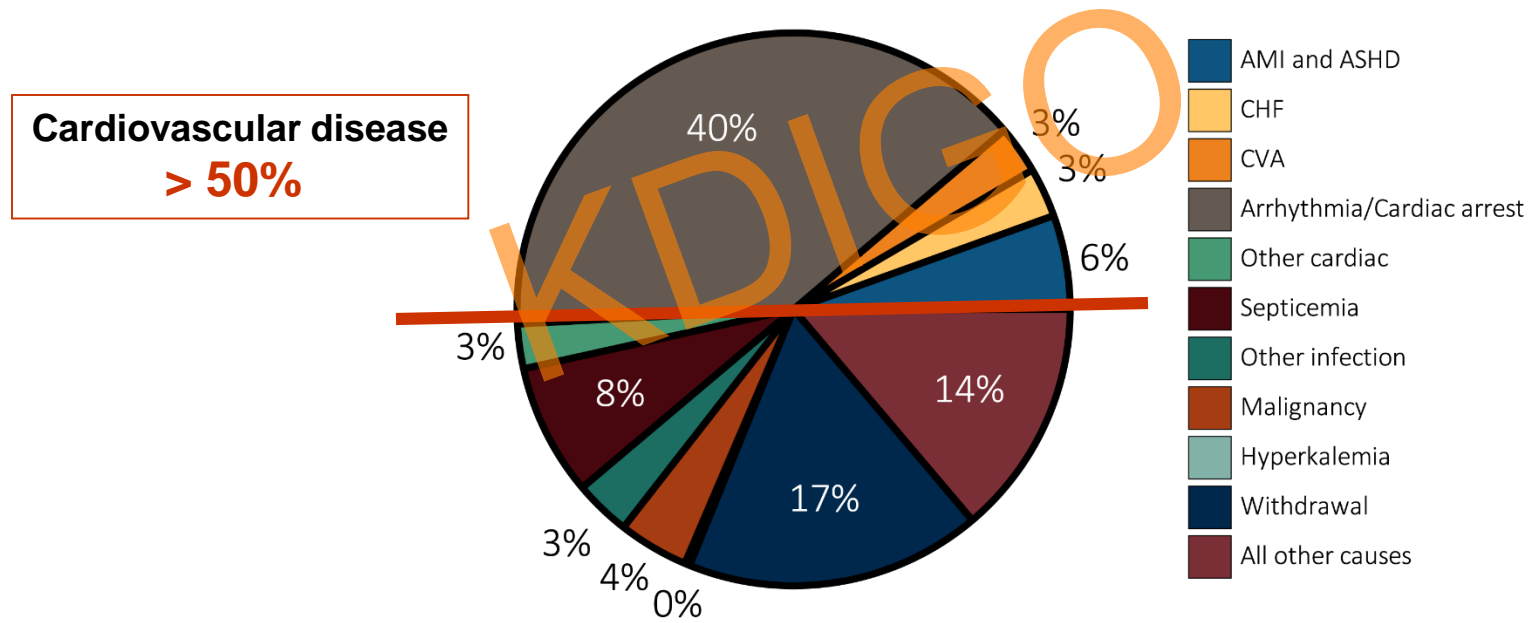
Epidemiology

Expected remaining lifetime (years) of the **general population** (cohort 2011-2015) and of prevalent **dialysis and transplant patients** (cohort 2011-2015)



Epidemiology

Unadjusted percentages of deaths in 2014 by cause, excludes missing/unknown causes of death data among dialysis patients



Abbreviations: ASHD, atherosclerotic heart disease; AMI, acute myocardial infarction; CHF, congestive heart failure; CVA, cerebrovascular accident.

Dialysis Therapy

SOLUTES CLEARANCE

Uremic Toxins

Electrolytes Regulation

Acid–base Balance

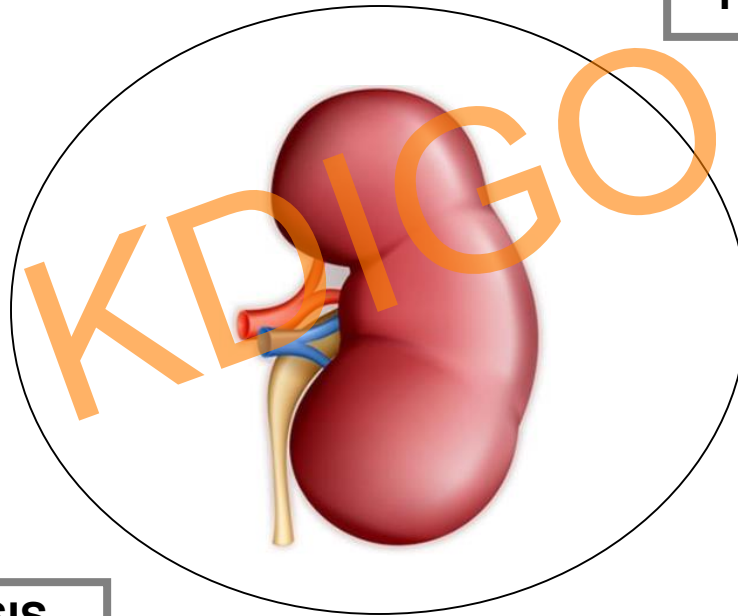
Calcium–phosphate
control

HORMONE PRODUCTION

Red blood cell mass
regulation

Vitamin D regulation

Others



VOLUME HOMEOSTASIS

Fluid Overload

Blood pressure control

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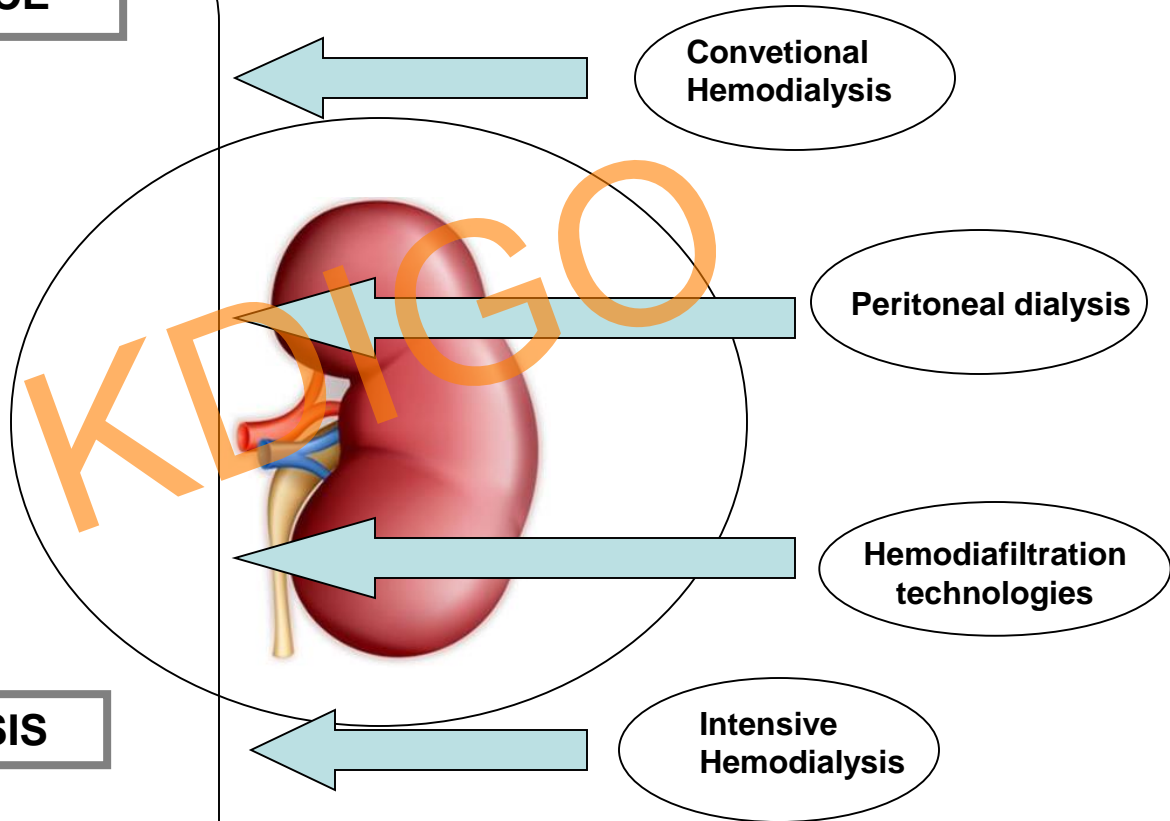
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Conventional Hemodialysis

Peritoneal dialysis

Hemodiafiltration technologies

Intensive Hemodialysis

Ability for solute clearance, frequency and therapy duration

Adequacy Dialysis Dose

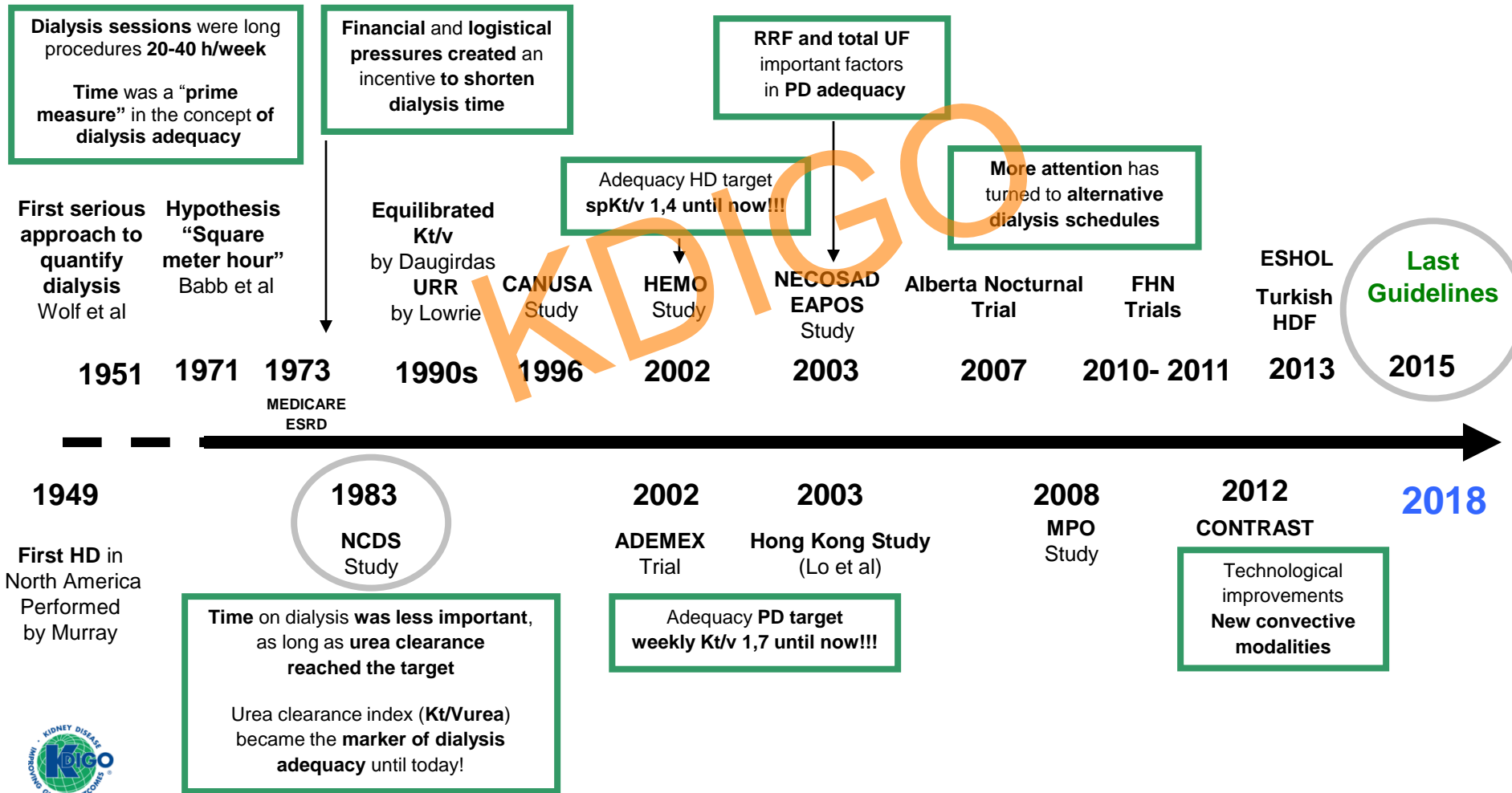
“From an **idealistic** clinical perspective, an **adequately** treated **dialysis patient** is **physically active**, well **nourished**, **euvolemic** and **normotensive**, with a maintained good **quality of life** and a **life expectancy** that is **not inferior** to that of **healthy patients**”¹

Adequacy Dialysis Dose

- The **marker of dialysis adequacy** has been typically determined **just** by measuring **small solute clearance**, based on **urea removal**
- **Urea kinetics modeling** has been taken as a **paradigm** of all uremic toxins; but now **it is clear**, that urea removal **is not very similar** to kinetics of other retention solutes
- **Calculation** of the **index of urea clearance** (Kt/V_{urea}) has been the **principal tool** to estimate **dialysis dose**, correlated with **clinical outcomes** for more than **30 years**

Dialysis Adequacy

Relevant studies have changed dialysis adequacy over the years



Adequacy Guidelines

Kt/Vurea

NEPHROLOGY

Nephrology 18 (2013) 485–488

PD 2005 HD 2005- 2013

Original Article

KHA-CARI guideline: Dialysis adequacy (haemodialysis): Dialysis membranes

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Nephrol Dial Transplant (2007) 22 [Suppl 2]: ii5–ii21
doi:10.1093/ndt/gfm022

PD 2005 - HD 2007 **EBPG guideline on dialysis strategies**



2006 Updates
Clinical Practice Guidelines
and Recommendations



PD 2006

- Hemodialysis Adequacy
- Peritoneal Dialysis Adequacy
- Vascular Access



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**KDOQI CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINE FOR
HEMODIALYSIS ADEQUACY: 2015 UPDATE**

HD 2015

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Therapeutic Apheresis
and Dialysis **HD 2015**

Japanese Society for Dialysis Therapy
“Maintenance Hemodialysis: Her...”

Therapeutic Apheresis
and Dialysis

PD 2009

2009 Japanese Society for Dialysis Therapy
Guidelines for Peritoneal Dialysis

**ISPD GUIDELINES/RECOMMENDATIONS
PD 2011**



**CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES AND RECOMMENDATIONS
ON PERITONEAL DIALYSIS ADEQUACY 2011**

SUMMARY OF CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES



HD 2009 PD 2017

Peritoneal Dialysis International, Vol. 31, pp. 218–239
doi:10.3747/pdi.2011.00026

PD 2011

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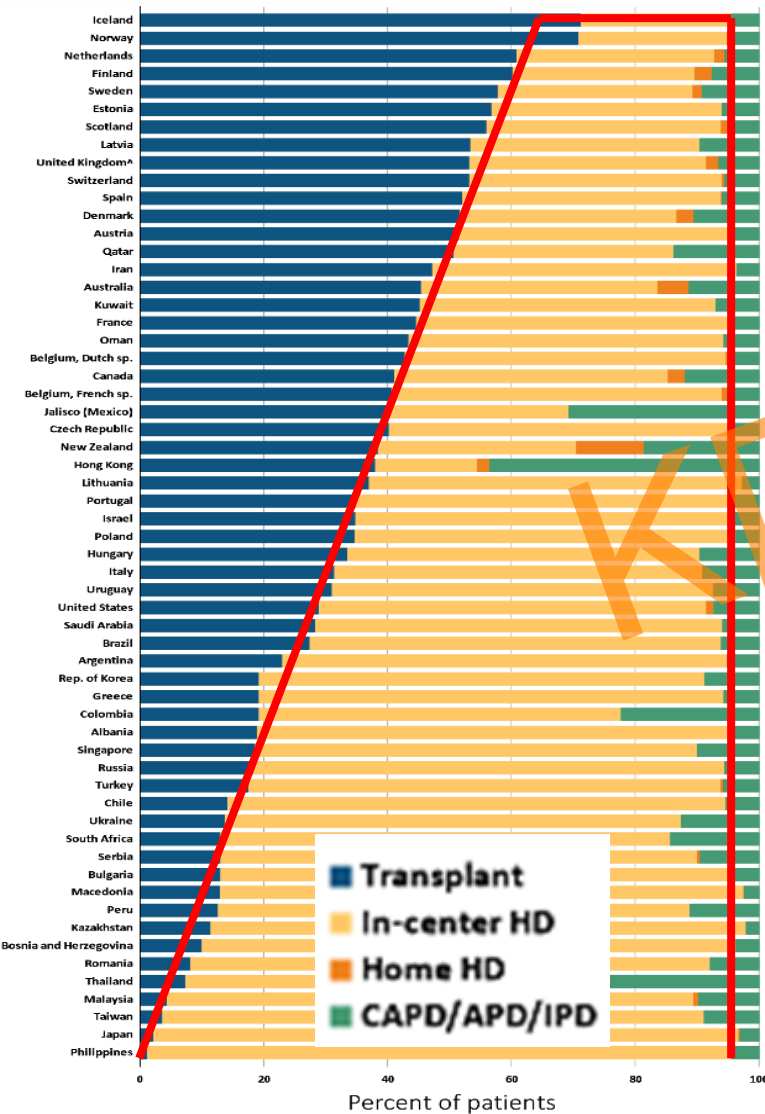
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Dialysis Adequacy

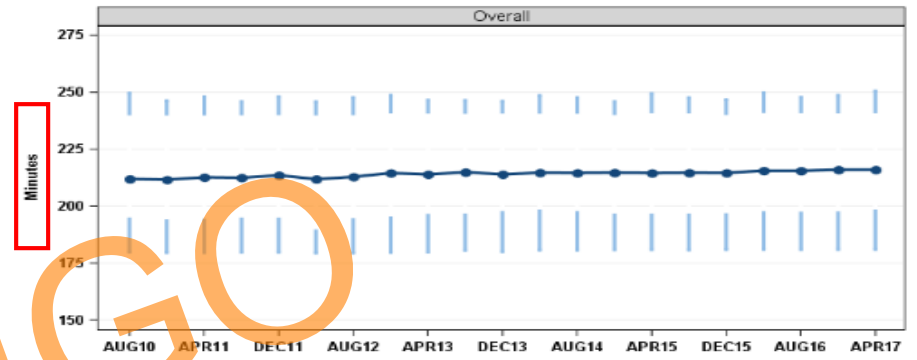


Where are we
Now ?

Prescription - Actual Situation

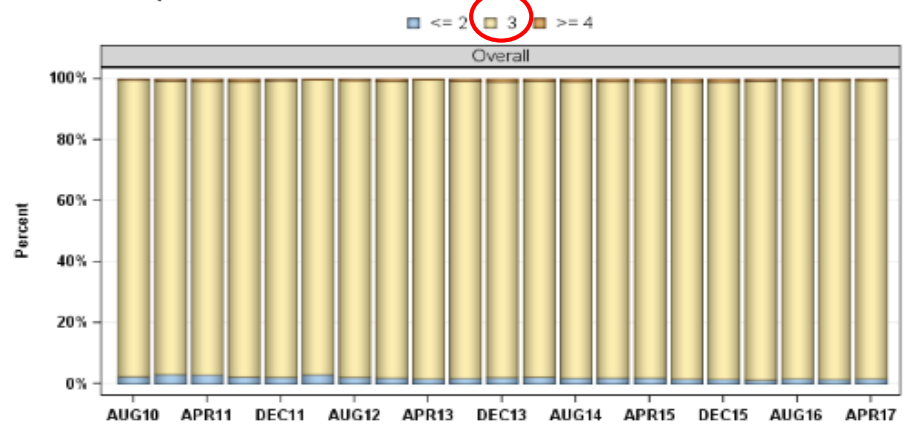


Achieved dialysis session length, continuous National sample



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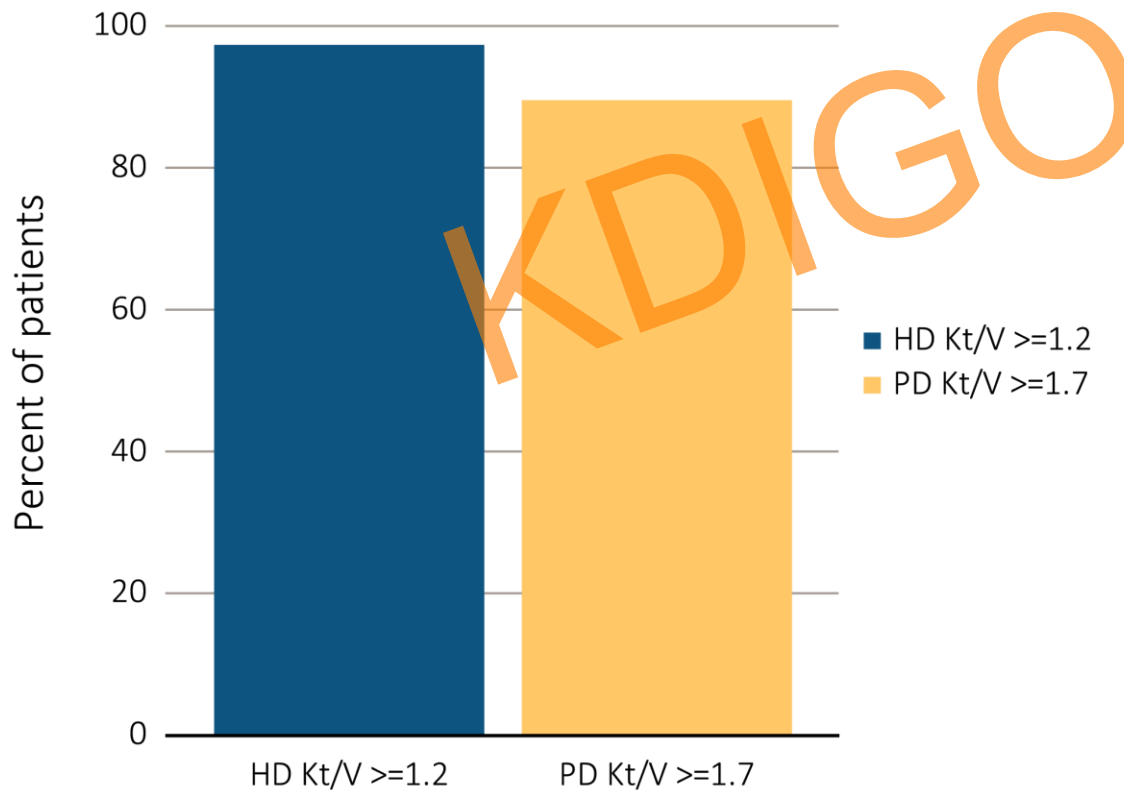
Prescribed dialysis sessions per week National sample



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Adequacy - Actual Situation

Percentage of prevalent hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis patients meeting clinical care guidelines for dialysis adequacy, by modality



> 80% achieved adequacy target

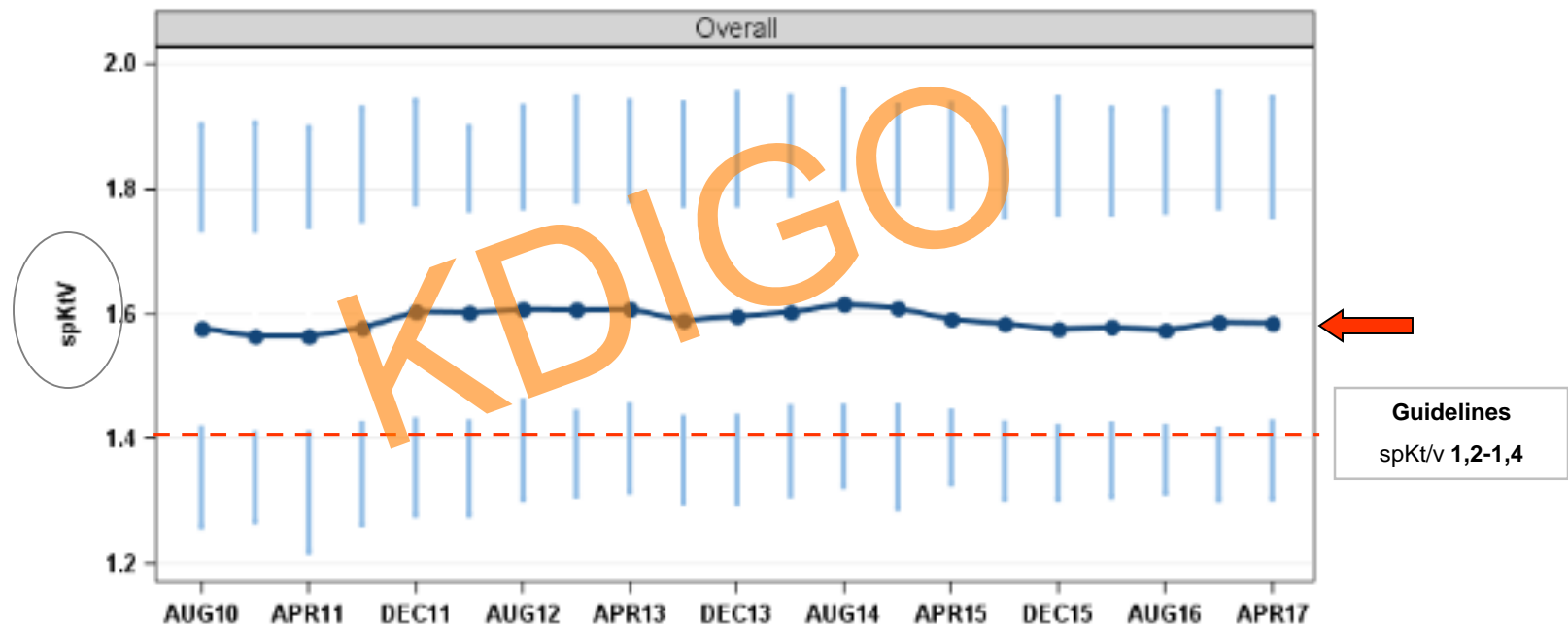
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Adequacy - Actual Situation

Single-pool Kt/V, continuous National sample



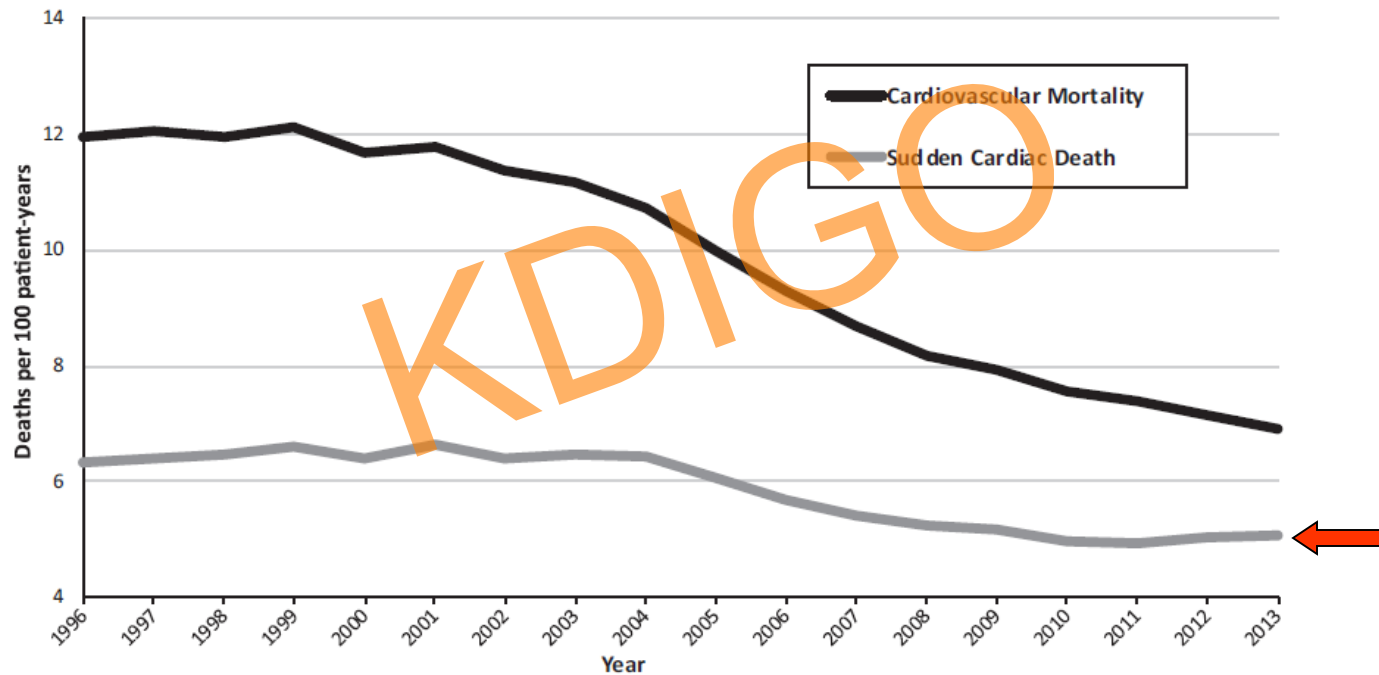
Among patients with >365 days on dialysis

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Sudden Cardiac Death - Actual Situation

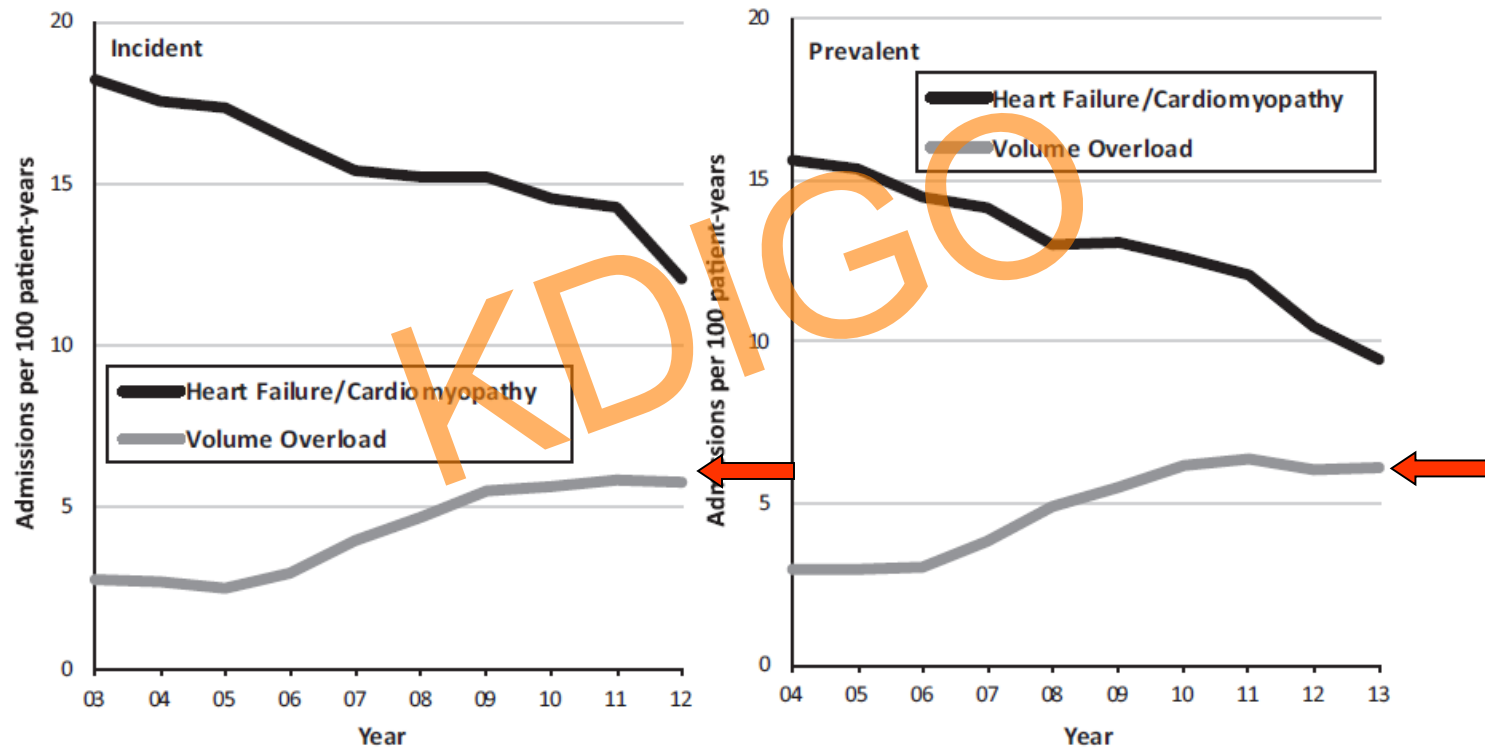
From the 2016 Peer Kidney Care Initiative Report



Annual rates of all-cause cardiovascular mortality and sudden cardiac death in maintenance dialysis patients.

Volume Overload - Actual Situation

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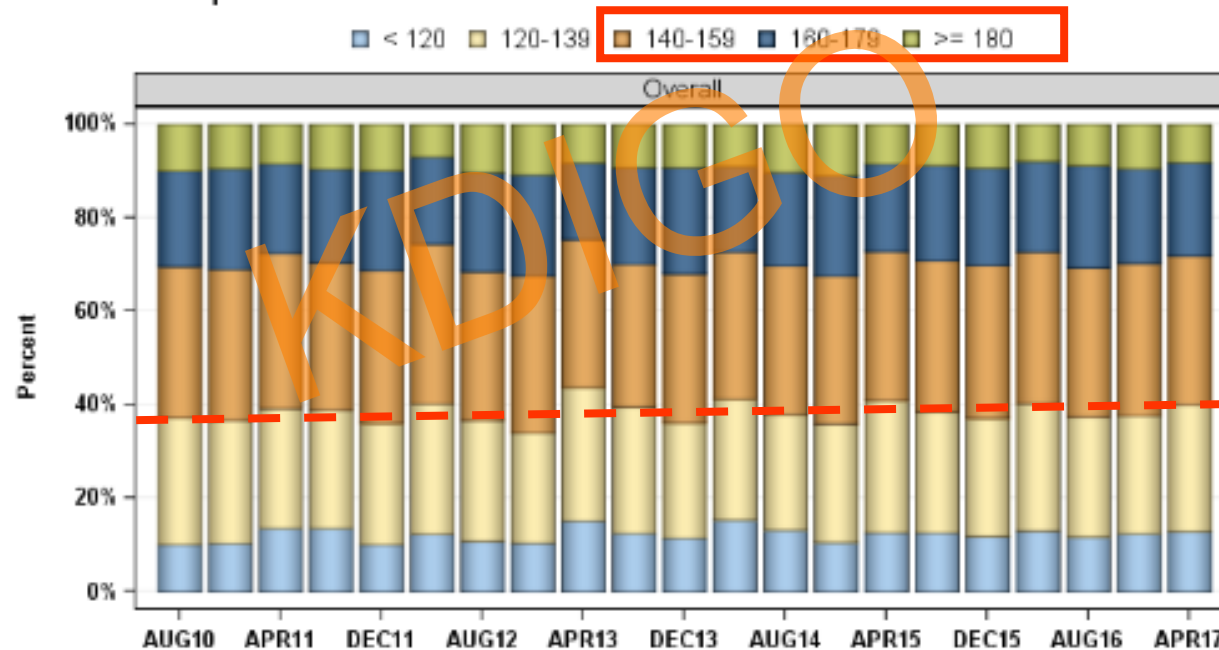
Annual rates of hospitalizations with primary discharge diagnosis of heart failure/cardiomyopathy or fluid overload for incident and prevalent maintenance dialysis patients.



Blood Pressure Control - Actual Situation

Pre-dialysis systolic blood pressure, remained relatively unchanged from 2010 to 2017

Pre-dialysis systolic blood pressure, categories
National sample



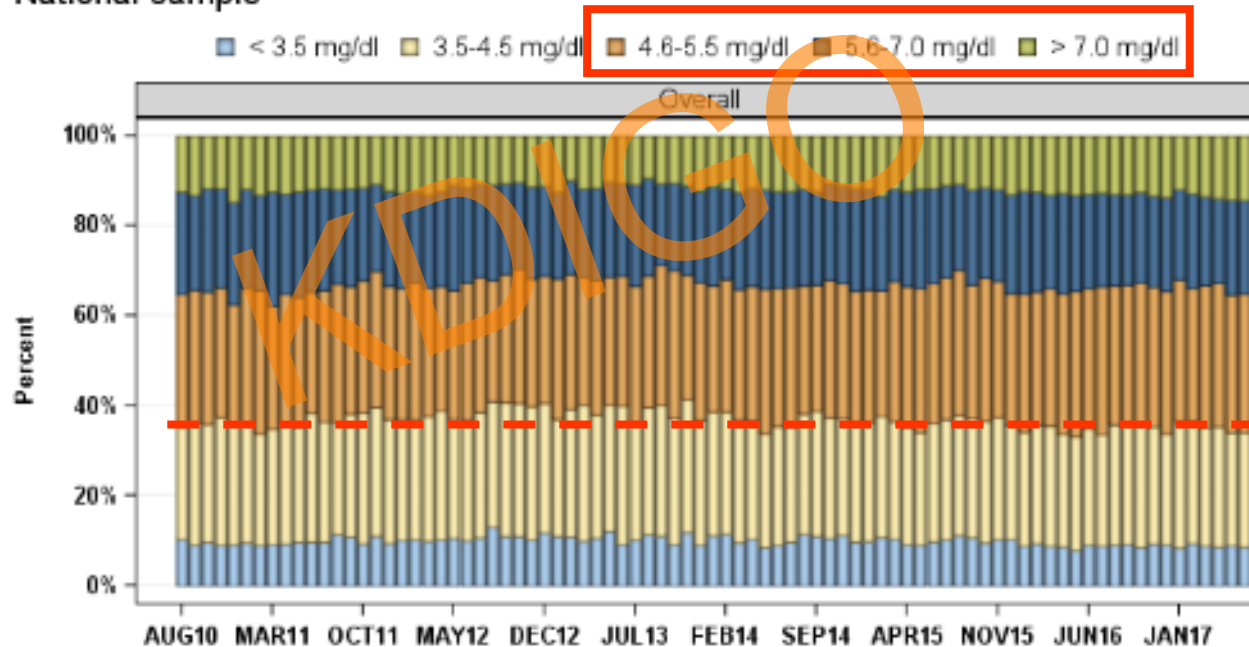
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Serum Phosphate - Actual Situation

Serum phosphate levels remained relatively unchanged from 2010 to 2017

Serum phosphorus (most recent), categories
National sample



Most recent (single) monthly value

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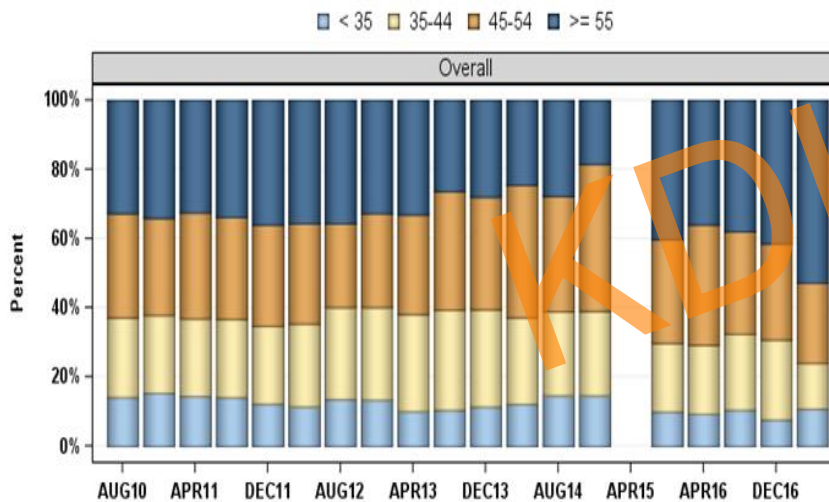
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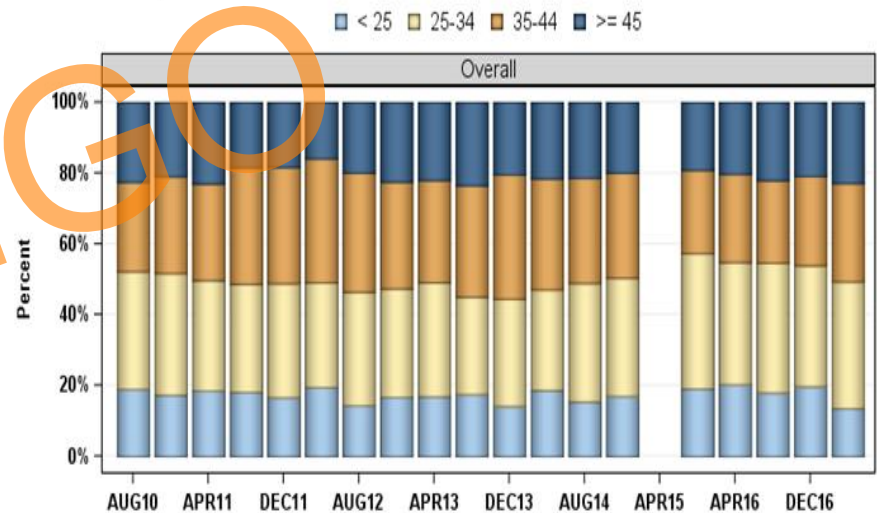
Health-related Quality of life – Actual Situation

No significant improvements in Mental and Physical Component of HRQL.

SF-12 Mental Component Summary score, categories
National sample



SF-12 Physical Component Summary score, categories
National sample



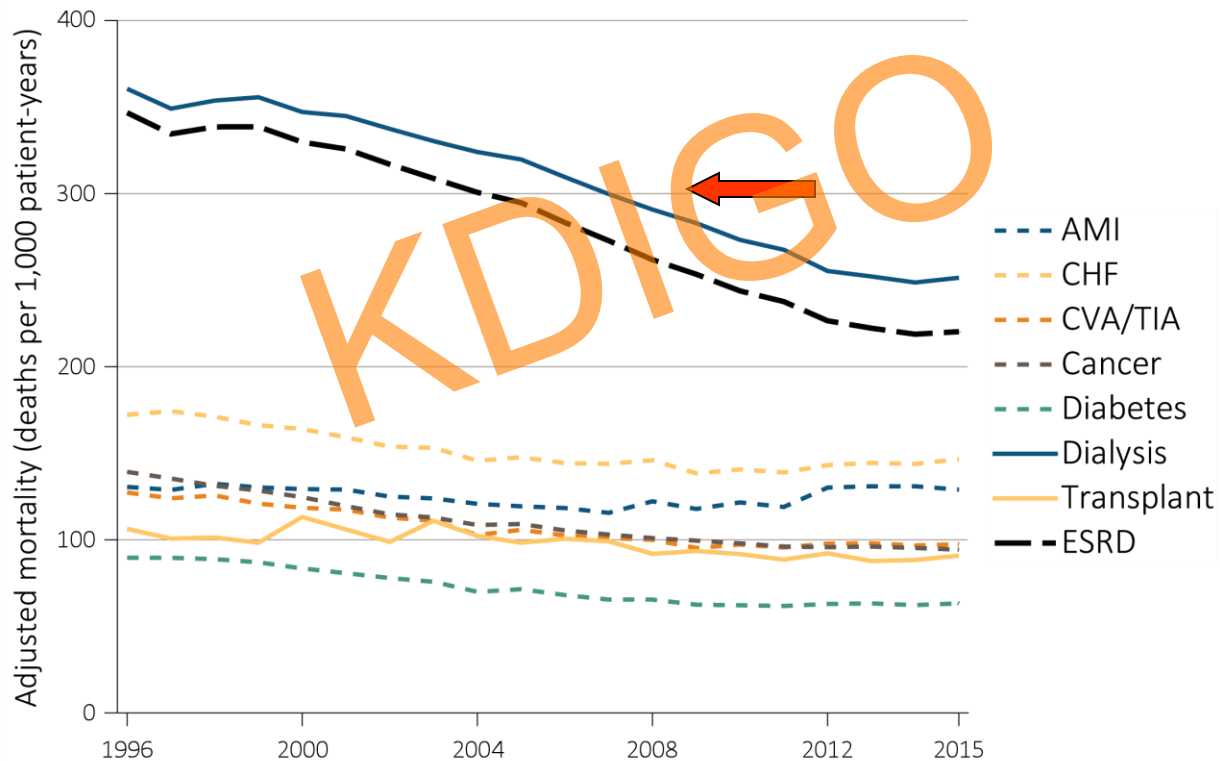
All DOPPS participants are asked to complete a questionnaire once a year. Participants who complete the questionnaire tend to be somewhat younger and healthier compared to non-respondents. Therefore results may not be representative of the US hemodialysis population overall.

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Mortality – Actual Situation

Adjusted mortality (deaths per 1,000 patient-years) by calendar year, treatment modality, and comorbidity among ESRD patients and comorbidity-specific Medicare populations aged 65 & older, 1996-2015





Is K_t/V_{urea} an **adequate** marker
of dialysis adequacy?

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Evidence

Kt/V_{urea} alone is not enough!!

A broader concept of adequacy is required!!

<http://www.kidney-international.org>

2015

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Once upon a time in dialysis: the last days of Kt/V?

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Hemodialysis International 2015; ...

Personal viewpoint: Limiting maximum ultrafiltration rate as a potential new measure of dialysis adequacy

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Does the Adequacy Parameter Kt/V_{urea} Reflect Uremic Toxin Concentrations in Hemodialysis Patients?

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CKJ Review

CKJ REVIEW

Uraemic toxins and new methods to control their accumulation: game changers for the concept of dialysis adequacy

Griet Glorieux¹ and James Tattersall²

2016

Seminars in Dialysis

MAKING DIALYSIS ADEQUATE – ADDRESSING ITS LIMITATIONS

Effect of Treatment Duration and Frequency on Uremic Solute Kinetics, Clearances and Concentrations

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REVIEW
Clin J Am Soc Nephrol 2017

The Use of a Multidimensional Measure of Dialysis Adequacy—Moving beyond Small Solute Kinetics

Jeffrey Perl, Laura M. Dember, Joanne M. Bargman, Teri Browne, David M. Charytan, Jennifer E. Flythe, LaTonya J. Hickson, Adriana M. Hung, Michel Jadoul, Timmy Chang Lee, Klemens B. Meyer, Hamid Moradi, Tariq Shafi, Isaac Teitelbaum, Leslie P. Wong, and Christopher T. Chan, and on behalf of the American Society of Nephrology Dialysis Advisory Group

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2012

A Sad but Forgotten Truth: The Story of Slow-Moving Solutes in Fast Hemodialysis

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PROGRESS IN DIALYSIS PRACTICE

Dialysis Dosing for Chronic Hemodialysis: Beyond Kt/V

John T. Daugirdas
Department of Medicine, University of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois

The International Journal of Artificial Organs / Vol. 27 / no. 6, 2004 / pp. 452-466

Review

2004

Short, thrice-weekly hemodialysis is inadequate regardless of small molecule clearance

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Division of Nephrology, Department of Medicine, University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri - USA

Kt/ V_{urea} should be abandoned as a measure of dialysis quality

1992

Kidney International, Vol. 41 (1992), pp. 1286-1291

Survival as an index of adequacy of dialysis

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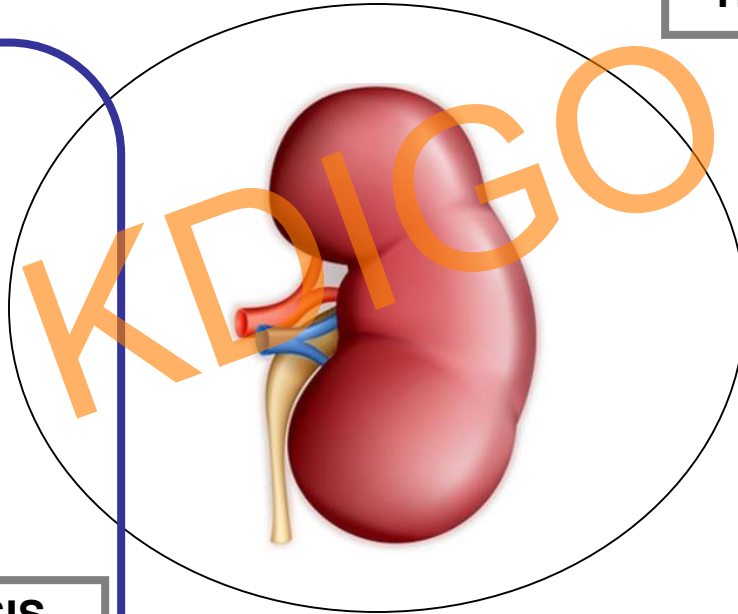
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Major Unmet Clinical Needs

1. High risk of **cardiovascular morbidity and mortality**
 - Persistent hyperphosphatemia
 - Left ventricular hypertrophy and heart failure
 - Persistent hypertension
 - Limited tolerability of conventional hemodialysis treatment
 - Arrhythmias & Sudden Death
2. Diminished **quality of life**

More uremic toxins than urea

Persistent volume overload

Persistence Long Interdialytic Interval



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KDOQI CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINE FOR
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*“It is important to distinguish
adequacy of the dialysis from
adequacy of patient care”.*¹

We **should focus** on the **patient**, and **focus on**
other dialysis parameters, if we **want to increase** dialysis
adequacy and **improve** our patients’ **outcomes**



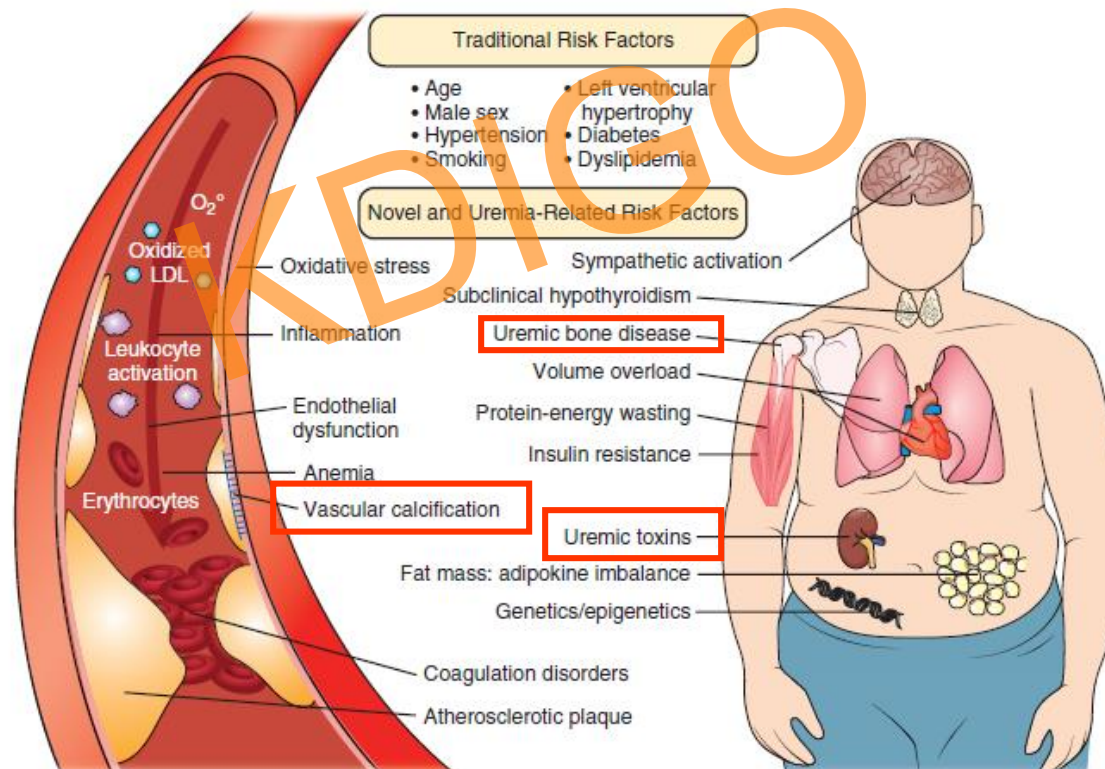


Which **other** parameters
could be **important**
to **measure dialysis adequacy**
in order to **improve**
our patients' **outcomes**?

Cardiovascular Morbidity

The high incidence of **cardiovascular morbidity and mortality** in dialysis patients is **multifactorial**

Risk Factors for Cardiovascular Disease in Chronic Kidney Disease



Perl J et al. Clin J Am Soc Nephrol, 2017
 Floege J et al. Comprehensive Clinical Nephrology, 2015

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Organic Uremic Solutes					
Free Water-Soluble Low-Molecular-Weight Solutes		Protein-Bound Solutes		Middle Molecules	
	MW		MW		MW
Guanidines		AGEs		Cytokines	
ADMA	202	β-Deoxyglucosone	162	Interleukin-1β	32,000
Argininic acid	175	Fructoselysine	308	Interleukin-6	24,500
Creatinine	113	Glyoxal	58	Tumor necrosis factor α	26,000
Guanidine	59	Pentosidine	342	Peptides	
Methylguanidine	73	Hippurate		Adrenomedullin	5729
Peptide		Hippuric acid	179	ANP	3080
β-Lipotropin	461	Indoles		β ₂ -Microglobulin	11,818
Polyols		Indoxyl sulfate	251	β-Endorphin	3465
Erythritol	122	Melatonin	126	Cholecystokinin	3866
Myoinositol	180	Quinolinic acid	167	Cystatin C	13,300
Sorbitol	182	Phenols		Delta sleep-inducing peptide	848
Threitol	122	Hydroquinone	110	Hyaluronic acid	25,000
Purines		p-Cresol	108	Leptin	16,000
Cytidine	234	Phenol	94	Neuropeptide Y	4572
Hypoxanthine	136	Polyamines		PTH	9225
Uracil	112	Putrescine	88	Retinol-binding protein	21,200
Uric acid	168	Spermidine	145	Other	
Xanthine				Tumor necrosis factor D	23,750
Pyrimidines					
Orotic acid					
Thymine					
Uridine					
Ribonucleosides					
1-Methyladenosine					
Pseudouridine					
Xanthosine					
Others					
Malondialdehyde					
Oxalate					
Urea					

- **High-flux** membranes
- **Convection** therapies
- **Increasing** dialysis duration

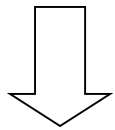
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		Complement factor D	23,750

Kt/vurea as adequacy target



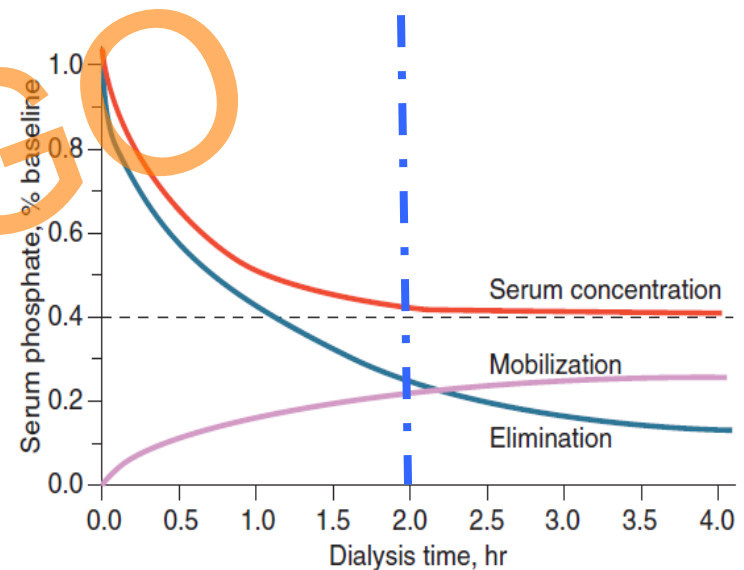
We are not measuring other Uremic Toxins

Phosphate Removal

The **kinetics** of intradialytic **phosphate** removal, **differ significantly** from classic **urea kinetics**.

- Despite **low molecular weight**, its elimination is **similar** to a **middle molecule**:
 - **Large distribution space**, and its **difficulty moving** from the **intracellular space**
- At the **beginning** of dialysis session there is a **decrease** in serum levels; but then because of **mobilization** of **phosphate** from the **intracellular space**, serum phosphate reaches a **constant level**

Intradialytic Kinetics of Phosphate Removal and Mobilization



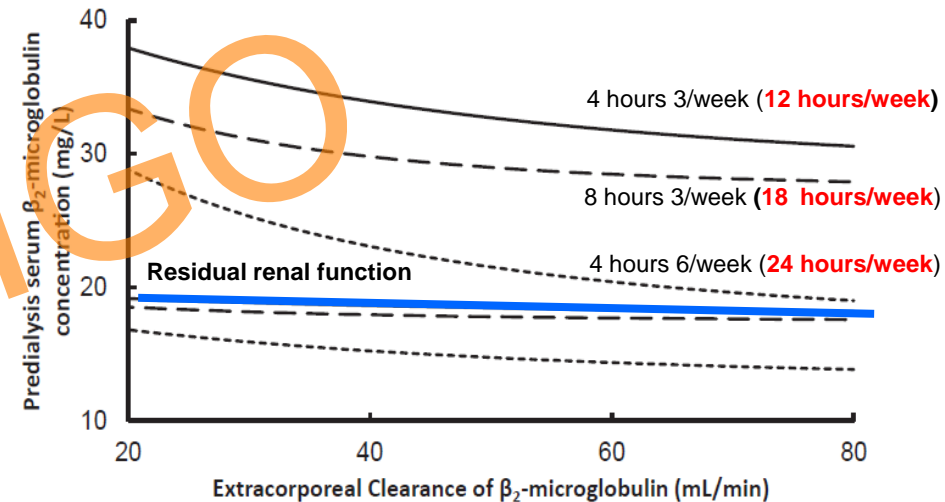
Phosphate **needs more time** than urea to **decrease** in serum levels and its removal is **directly** related to dialysis duration and frequency

Kuhlmann M. Blood Purif 2010.
Daugirdas J.T, Seminars in Dialysis, 2015
Gutzwiller, JP et al.. Nephrol Dial Transplant 2017
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B2- microglobulin Removal

The **kinetics** of intradialytic **Beta-2-microglobulin** removal **differ significantly** from **urea kinetics**, and is the **general marker** for **middle molecules**

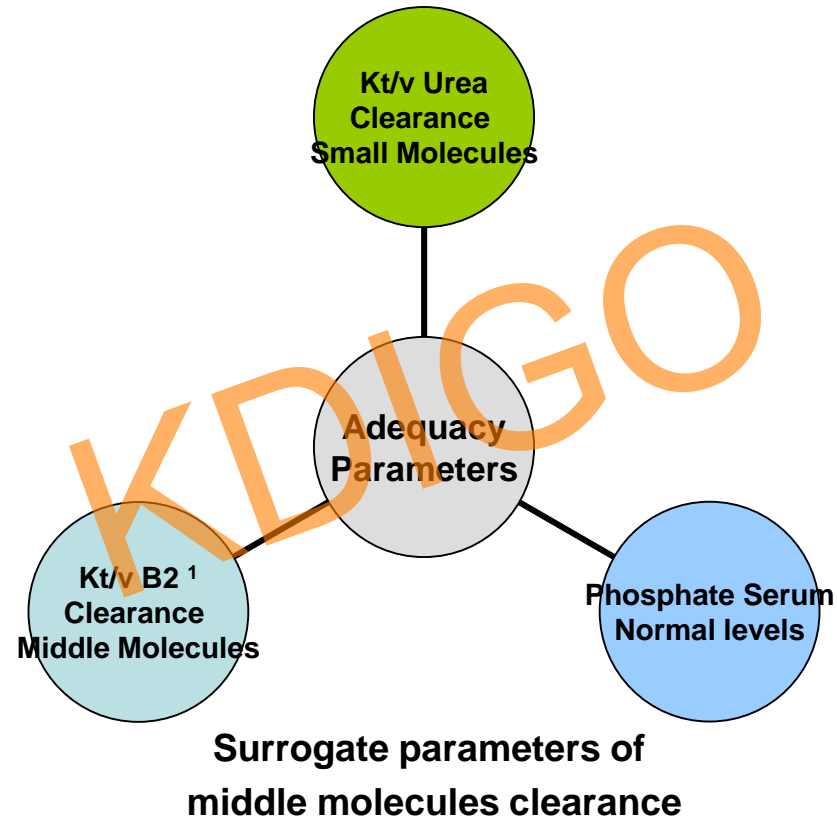
- Middle molecules **removal** is limited in **short sessions**, because of their **slower inter-compartmental equilibration rates**
- **Residual renal function** is the most important factor that **increases its elimination**



In **anuric** patientes:

The **dialyzer clearance** and the **weekly treatment duration** are the most important factors related to **its removal**

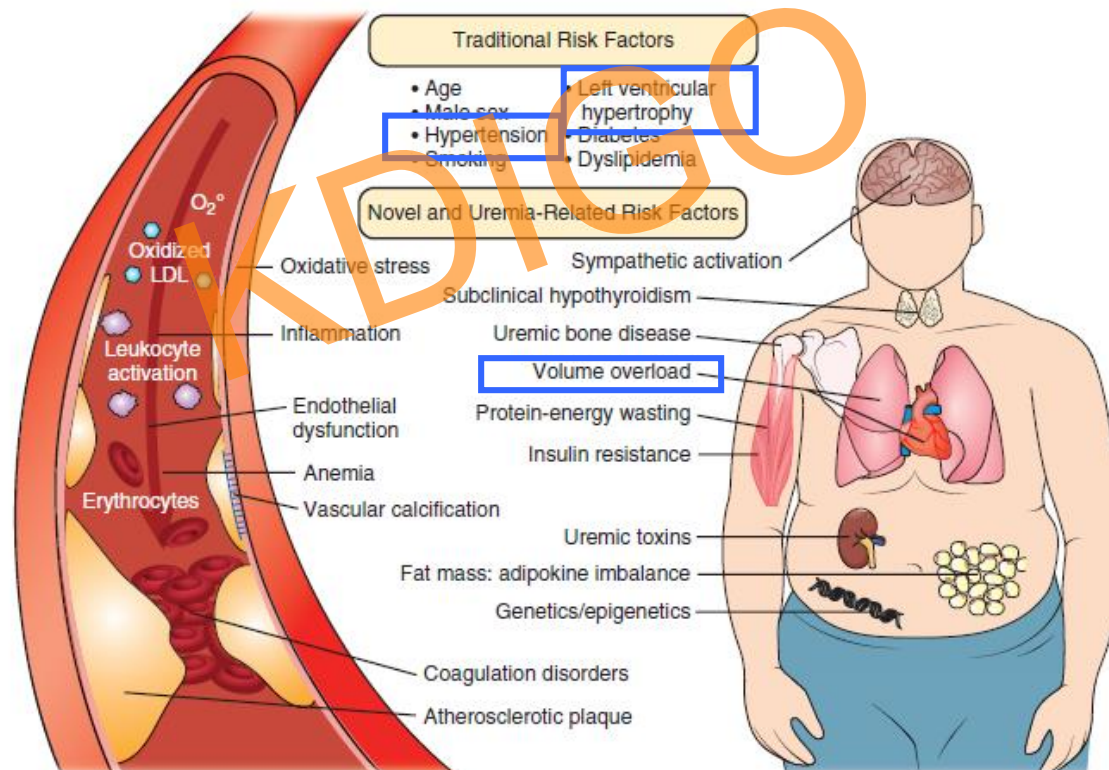
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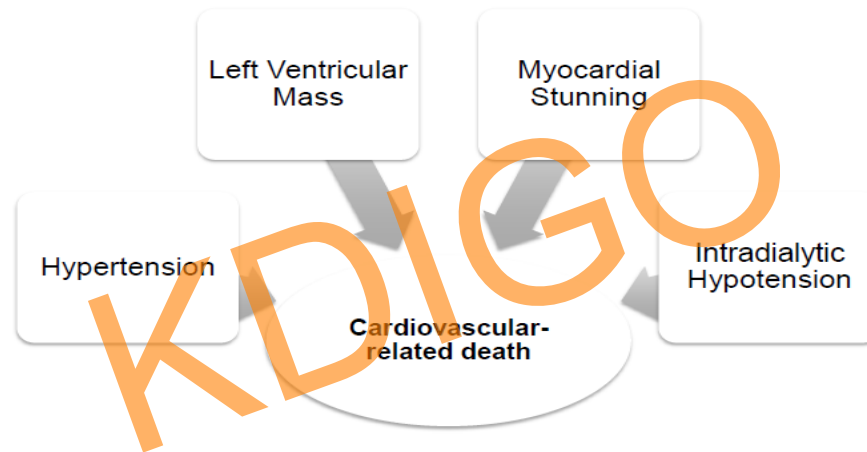


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Volume Overload

Fluid overload is a major cause of **morbidity** and **mortality** in ESRD population.



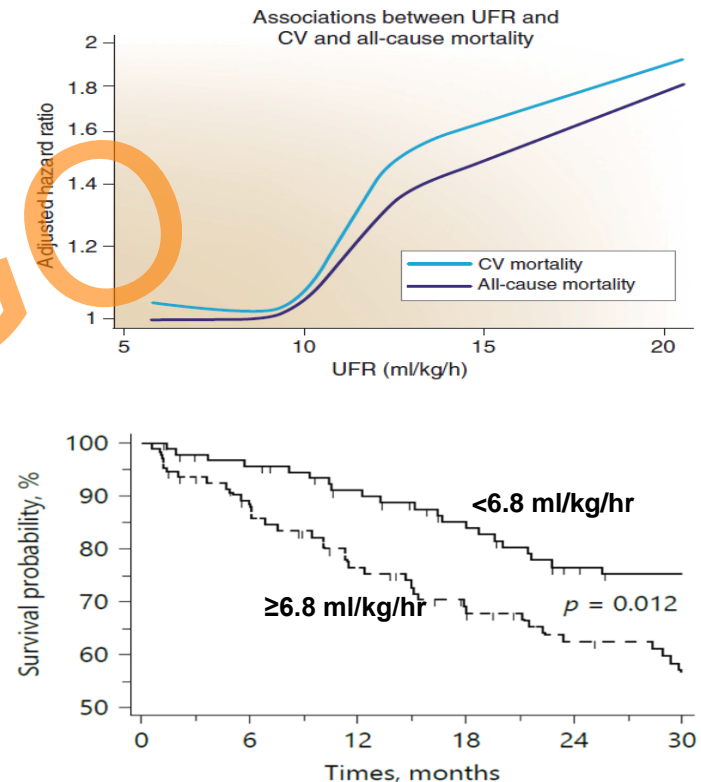
Volume has been largely ignored, because **solute clearance** has been the **major issue** in **dialysis adequacy goals**

Intradialytic Hypotension

How do we remove all that volume?

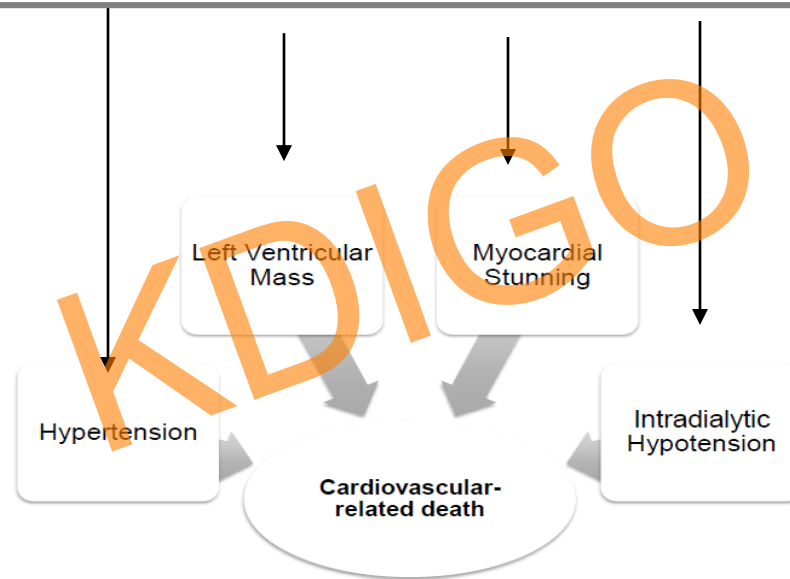
- **Inadequate** response to **decreased intravascular** volume, when **ultrafiltration rate** exceeds **plasma refilling rate**
- There is an **association** between **rapid ultrafiltration** and **increased mortality**
- The **safety and tolerability** of the dialysis procedure **is related to the ultrafiltration rate**, which is determined by the **interdialytic weight gain** and **length** of each session

Dialysis **duration** and **ultrafiltration rate** are **tightly related**



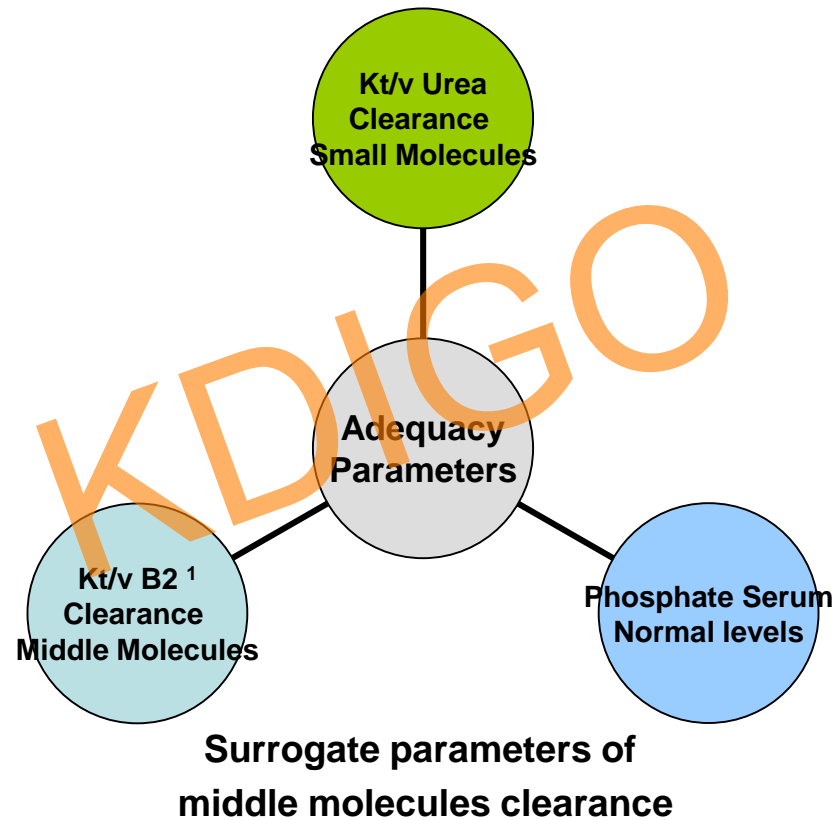
Volume Overload

“Volume First Initiative” materializes the next best chance to improve patients’ outcomes

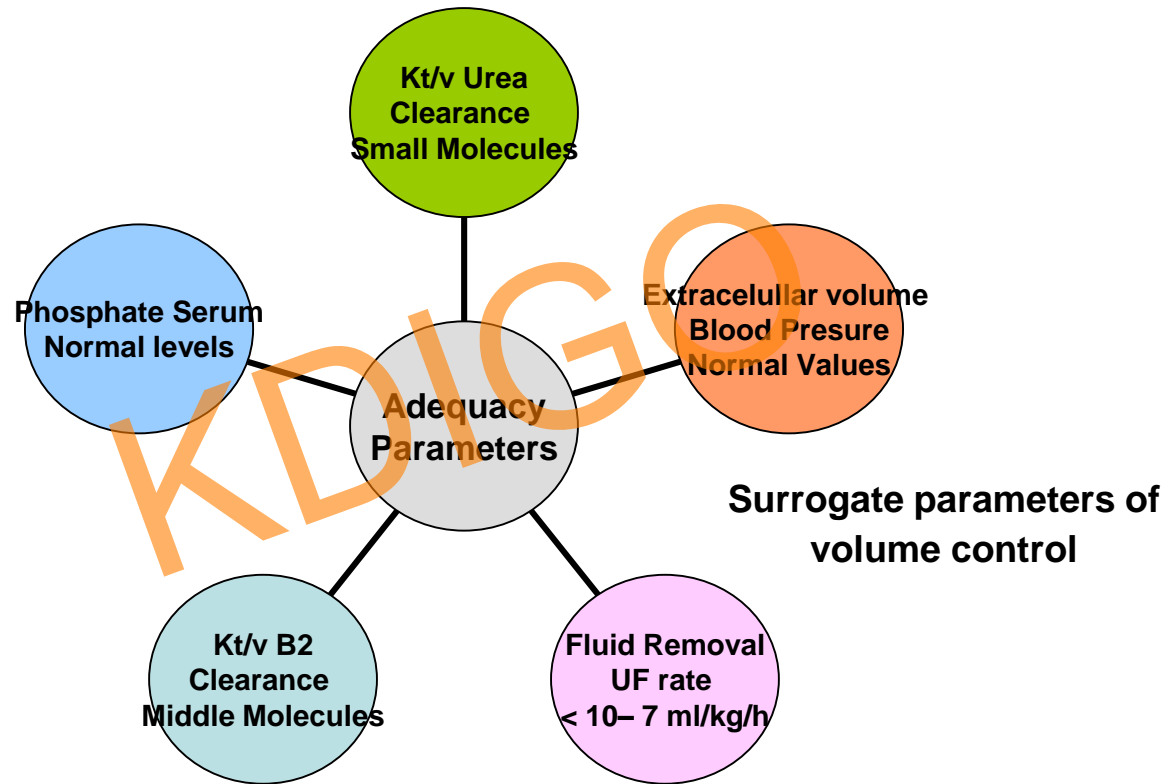


Extending **treatment time** or **frequency** is an effective way to address **volume control** and **tolerance** of dialysis sessions, with **less** dialysis-related **morbidity and mortality**

Dialysis Adequacy



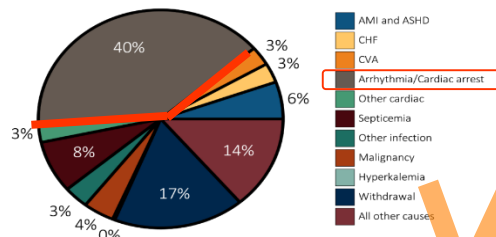
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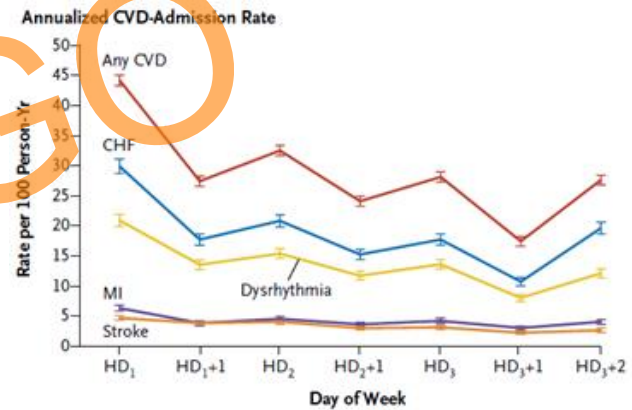
Sudden Cardiac Death

Leading cause of death in patients on maintenance dialysis, mainly related to volume shifts and electrolyte disorders.

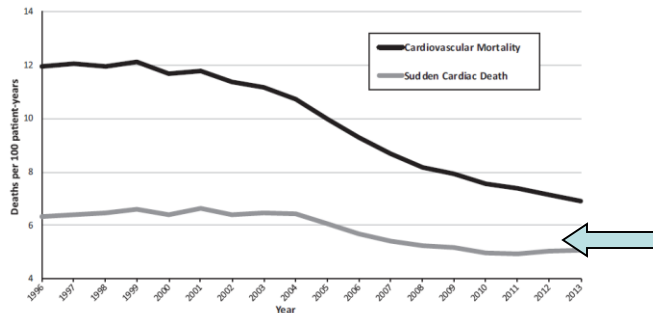
Unadjusted percentages of deaths in 2014 by cause, excludes missing/unknown causes of death data among dialysis patients. ¹



Long Interdialytic interval is an important risk factor for sudden Cardiac Death



From the 2016 Peer Kidney Care Initiative Report ²



Annual rates of all-cause cardiovascular mortality and sudden cardiac death in maintenance dialysis patients.

Has not been addressed with Conventional HD prescription

1. USRDS Annual Data Report 2017
2. Wetmore J et al. Am J Kidney Dis. 2018
3. Basile C et al. J Nephrol 2017
4. Foley RN et al. N Engl J Med 2011



Sudden Cardiac Death

Modifiable risk factors for Sudden Cardiac Death in dialysis patients, related to dialysis procedure

Summary of Procedures and Techniques to Reduce Risk of Sudden Cardiac Death in the Hemodialysis Population

Recommendations	References
1 Dietary counseling for potassium and fluid gain	
2 Individualize and adjust potassium bath at least monthly for each patient; consider point-of-care devices to measure potassium on a more regular basis	Bleyer et al ⁵
3 Do not use dialysate potassium concentration < 2 mEq/L, particularly if predialysis potassium < 5 mEq/L; if patients present with high serum potassium level, consider extending the dialysis time, but do not lower dialysate potassium concentration to < 2 mEq/L	Kamik et al, ¹⁵ Pun et al, ¹⁴ Kovesdy et al, ¹³ Jadoul et al ¹²
4 Consider the use of dialysate potassium profiling (ie, start with dialysate concentration of 4 mEq/L and gradually reduce it during the treatment to 2 mEq/L) when predialysis potassium level is \geq 6.5 mEq/L	Redaelli et al ²³
5 Adjust dialysate bicarbonate concentration (to achieve a target predialysis bicarbonate of 20-22 mEq/L) and reduce the risk of severe intradialytic alkalosis	Heguilen et al ²²
6 Reduce the risk of high ultrafiltration rate (> 10 mL/kg/h) by sustaining dialysis time > 4 h	Flythe et al, ³² McIntyre et al, ³⁰ Burton et al ³¹
7 Measure magnesium monthly and supplement magnesium if needed	Sakaguchi et al ²⁸
8 Do not use dialysate calcium concentration < 2.25 mEq/L (and preferably maintain at 2.5 mEq/L), particularly in combination with a low potassium bath in patients at high risk of arrhythmias	Genovesi et al, ¹⁰ Pun et al ²⁹
9 Avoid the use of digoxin for heart failure or control of atrial fibrillation in hemodialysis patients, and if unavoidable, consider using a higher potassium bath	Chan ³³
10 Be aware of medications that prolong QTc interval, which may be prolonged further by rapid shift in potassium, calcium, and magnesium concentrations	Data from the general population ³⁴⁻³⁶

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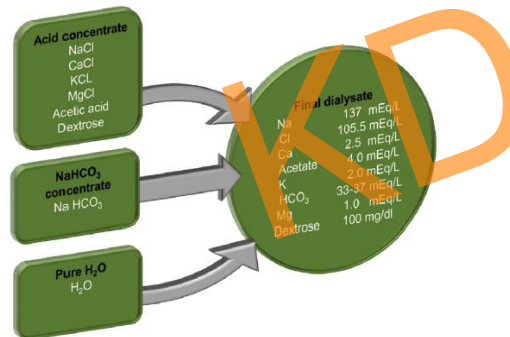
Avoid rapid electrolyte and volume shifts during dialysis sessions

1. **Adjust** dialysate composition
2. **Adjust** ultrafiltration rate

Dialysate Composition

Dialysate composition is a **critical aspect** of the **dialysis prescription**, if we want to **avoid rapid electrolyte shifts** ¹

Often, the concentrations of **key components** may be determined **by default**, based on **dialysate manufacturer specifications** or hemodialysis **facility practices**. ²



Component	Concentration	
	Range	Typical
Electrolytes (mmol/l)		
Sodium	135-145	140
Potassium	0-4.0	2.0
Calcium	0-2.0	1.25
Magnesium	0.5-1.0	0.75
Chloride	87-124	105
Buffers (mmol/l)		
Acetate	2-4	3
Bicarbonate	20-40	35
pH	7.1-7.3	7.2
Pco ₂ (mm Hg)	40-100	
Glucose	0-11 (0-200 mg/dl)	5.5 (100 mg/dl)

Dialysate should be considered “as a drug to be adjusted” to the individual patient’s needs

Dialysate Composition

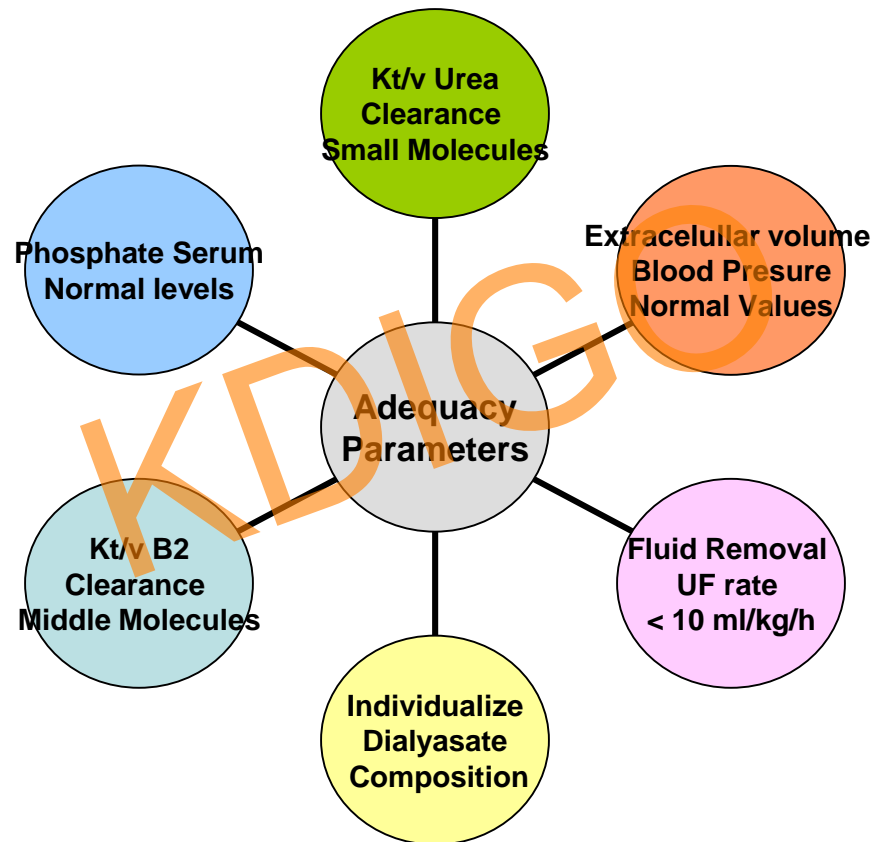
The **electrolyte** composition of **dialysate** is important for **fluid management, hemodynamic tolerance** and prevention of **arrhythmias**

Electrolyte	Importance	Recommendation
Dialysate sodium concentration	Related with: • Management control • Hemodynamic	One-size-fits-all approach is likely not appropriate prescribed in the range of 134-140 mEq/L, with deviations based on patient circumstances Avoid positive sodium balance
Dialysate potassium concentration	Arrhythmias & cardiac death	Normalize potassium concentration to avoid high K ⁺ dialysis Dialysate potassium concentration 2-3 mEq/L. Dialysate potassium concentration < 2 mEq/L. Dialysis should be 3 mEq/L.
Dialysate bicarbonate concentration	Related with: • Management control • Hemodynamic	Normalize pre-HD bicarbonate serum level to a range of 22 to 26 mmol/l
Dialysate calcium concentration	Related with: • Intradialytic hypotension • Vascular calcification	Normalize calcium concentration. Avoid positive calcium balance Dialysate calcium concentration 2,5 -3 mEq/L. Dialysis should be 3 mEq/L.
Dialysate magnesium concentration	Arrhythmias & cardiac death	Normalize magnesium concentration < 1 mEq/L.

One-size-fits-all approach is not appropriate!

1. Avoid **positive sodium** balance
2. Avoid **positive calcium** balance
3. Avoid **high potassium** gradient
4. Avoid **low** concentration:
Magnesium < 1mEq/L
Calcium < 2 mEq/L
Potassium < 2 mEq/L
5. Normalized **pre-HD bicarbonate serum** levels in range of **> 22 < 26 mmol/l**
6. Adjust **Potassium, Calcium and Phosphate** concentration in **nocturnal regimens**

Dialysis Adequacy



Surrogate parameter of
electrolyte balance

Residual Renal Function

Preservation of RRF has been considered **an important aspect** of **peritoneal dialysis adequacy**, and **should be** considered in **hemodialysis** practice too.

Sustaining **RRF** is **important** for the **dialysis** patient because:

- Increases **clearances** of **middle molecule** and **protein bound** toxins
- Reduces **inter-dialytic weight gains**
- Increases **blood pressure** control
- Reduces **inflammatory markers**
- Is associated with better **nutrition status**
- Is associated with better **quality of life**

Beneficial effects extend to **very low levels**

RRF is strongly associated with improvement in survival

- **Novel markers** of renal function may provide alternative **methods of estimating RRF**, which may **simplify** its measurement

We **cannot underestimate** the maintenance of **residual renal function in HD patients**

We must try to **preserve it!**
We should **measure it!**

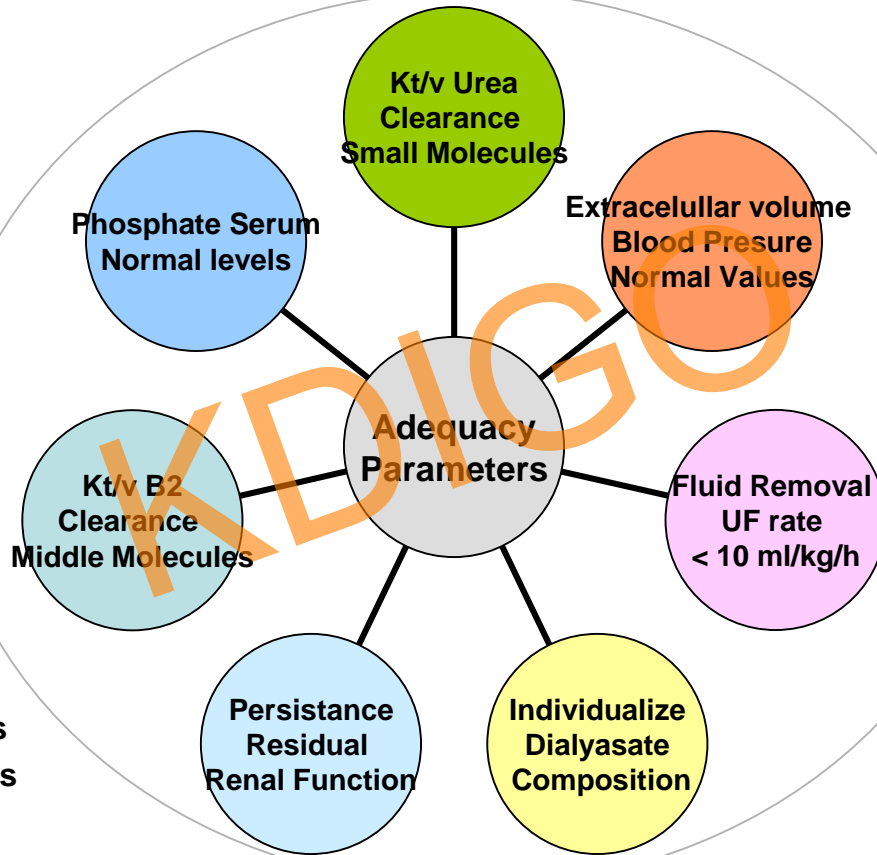
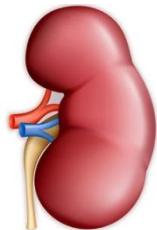


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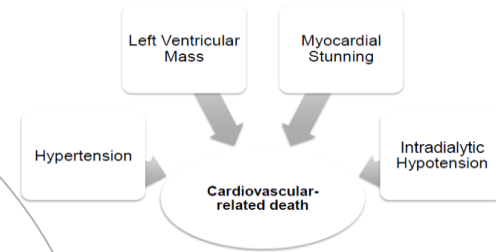
Organic Uremic Solutes					
Free Water Soluble Low-Molecular Weight Solutes	MW	Protein-Bound Solutes	MW	Middle Molecules	MW
Glucosides	202	ACEs	162	Cytokines	32,000
ADMA	175	β-Ocylglycerone	308	Interleukin-1β	17,000
Quinine acid	113	Clazid	58	Tumor necrosis factor α	26,000
Quinine	99	Protease	342	Apoptosis	
Methylguanidine	73	Heparin	179	Adrenomedullin	5729
Peptide		Heparin acid	179	ANG	2000
β-Lipotropin	461	Insulin	291	β-Microglobulin	11,218
Prophyl	122	Insulin sulfate	291	β-2-Microglobulin	11,218
Myoinositol	180	Salicylate	136	Changchuanin	366
Uridine	132	Quinine acid	167	Quinine C	13,389
Thiazid	132	Phenol	94	Data drug-inducing peptide	88
Protein		Hydroquinone	110	Hyaluronic acid	25,000
Cytidine	234	α-Corn	98	Leptin	16,000
Hypoxanthine	136	Protein	98	Interleukin-1	17,000
Uridic acid	132	Protein	98	Retinol binding protein	21,200
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Others					
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Quinine	80				
Urea	60				

Surrogate parameters small and middle molecules clearance

Determinant factor helps achieving adequacy goals

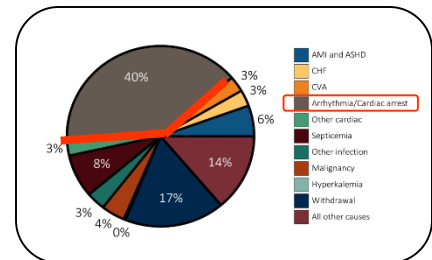


Broader Concept of Dialysis Adequacy



Surrogate parameters volume control

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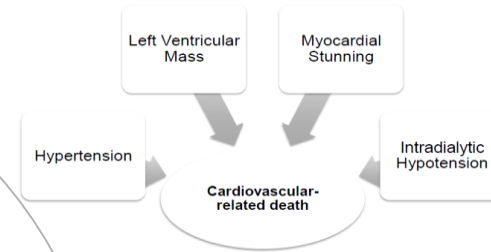
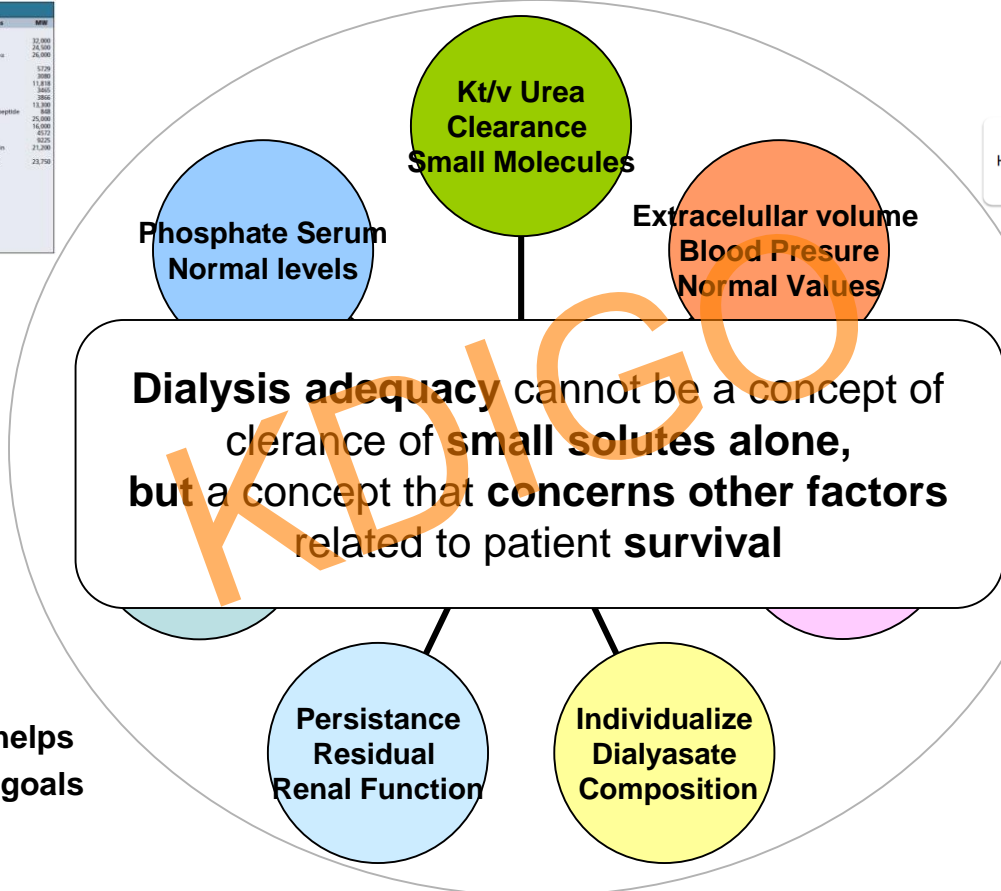
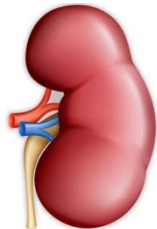


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Prophyl	122	Sulfasalazine	251	β-2-microglobulin	11,318
Myoinositol	180	Salicylic acid	136	Changchuanin	360
Trinitro	132	Hydroxyacetic acid	107	Quartern C	13,389
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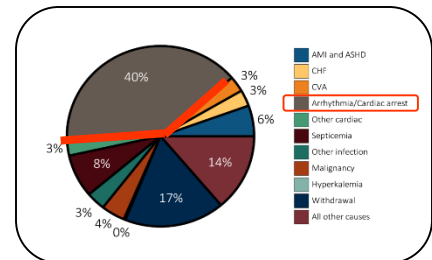
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Broader concept of Dialysis Adequacy

How do we achieve this broader concept of adequacy?

“We must change, not only what we are going to measure related to dialysis parameters, but also the way we are going to prescribe dialysis”

“Adequate dialysis schedule”



How do we achieve this broader concept of adequacy?

Short

3 session/week

Conventional HD prescription

Is not adequate!!

This prescription is the minimum treatment necessary to maintain life, but it is **inadequate** in preventing **dialysis-related complications** and in **improving outcomes** ¹

Review

The International Journal of Artificial Organs / Vol. 27 / no. 6, 2004 / pp. 452-466

Short, thrice-weekly hemodialysis is inadequate regardless of small molecule clearance

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This way of thinking is not new!

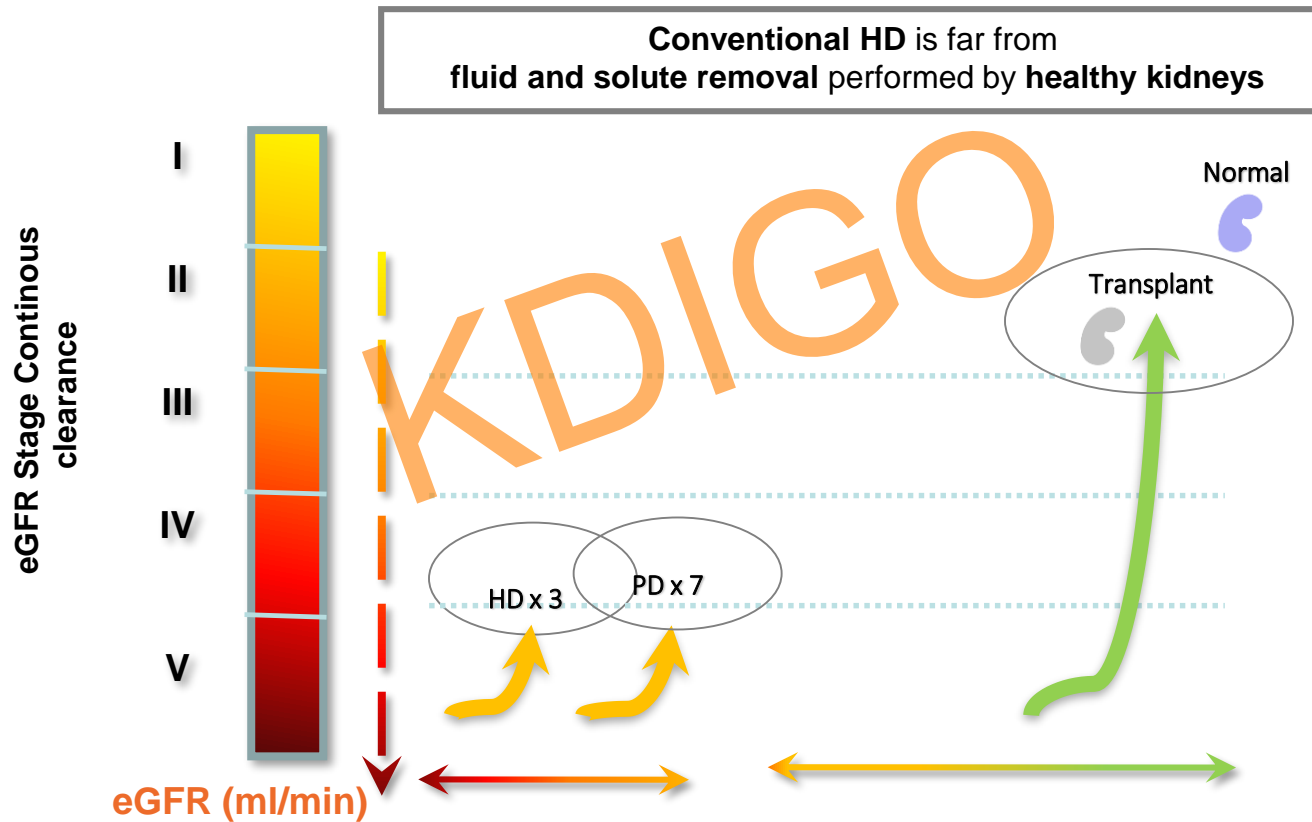
Advantages of long dialysis

From the above discussion, the advantages of long dialysis to the patients are obvious: better tolerance of dialysis, better control of blood pressure, better removal of middle molecules, better rehabilitation, and longer survival.



Dialysis Dosing: Kinetics vs Physiology

The **goal of dialysis** is to **restore the body's** intracellular and extracellular **fluid environment toward** that of **healthy individuals** with functioning kidneys to the **greatest extent possible**.¹



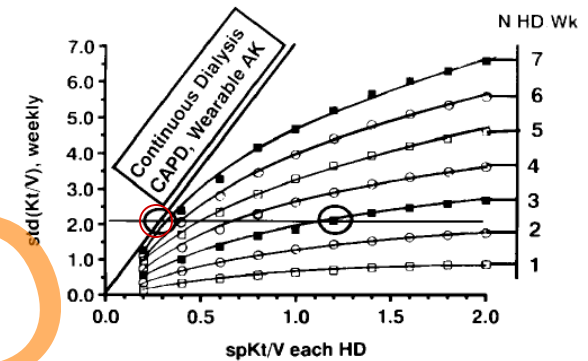
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PD provides **similar** dialysis dose (standardized **weekly Kt/V**) to that of **thrice-weekly HD** prescription, **despite less** efficient small-solute clearance

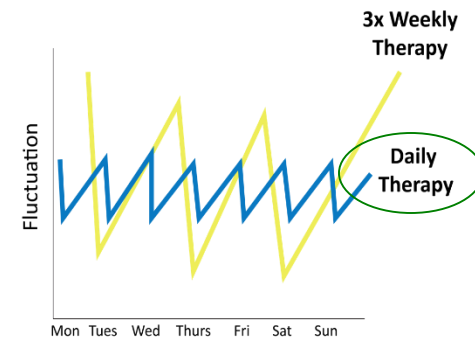
Because it is a **continuous** and **frequent** treatment, (compared with conventional HD), PD **provides:**

- More **physiological clearance** of **solutes** and **water**, with **less fluid** and **electrolyte shifts**
- Less **interdialytic oscillations**
- More clearance of **middle molecules**
- **Better preservation** of residual renal function

PD could offer a number of advantages over conventional HD, at least during the first 2-3 years when patients maintain residual renal function



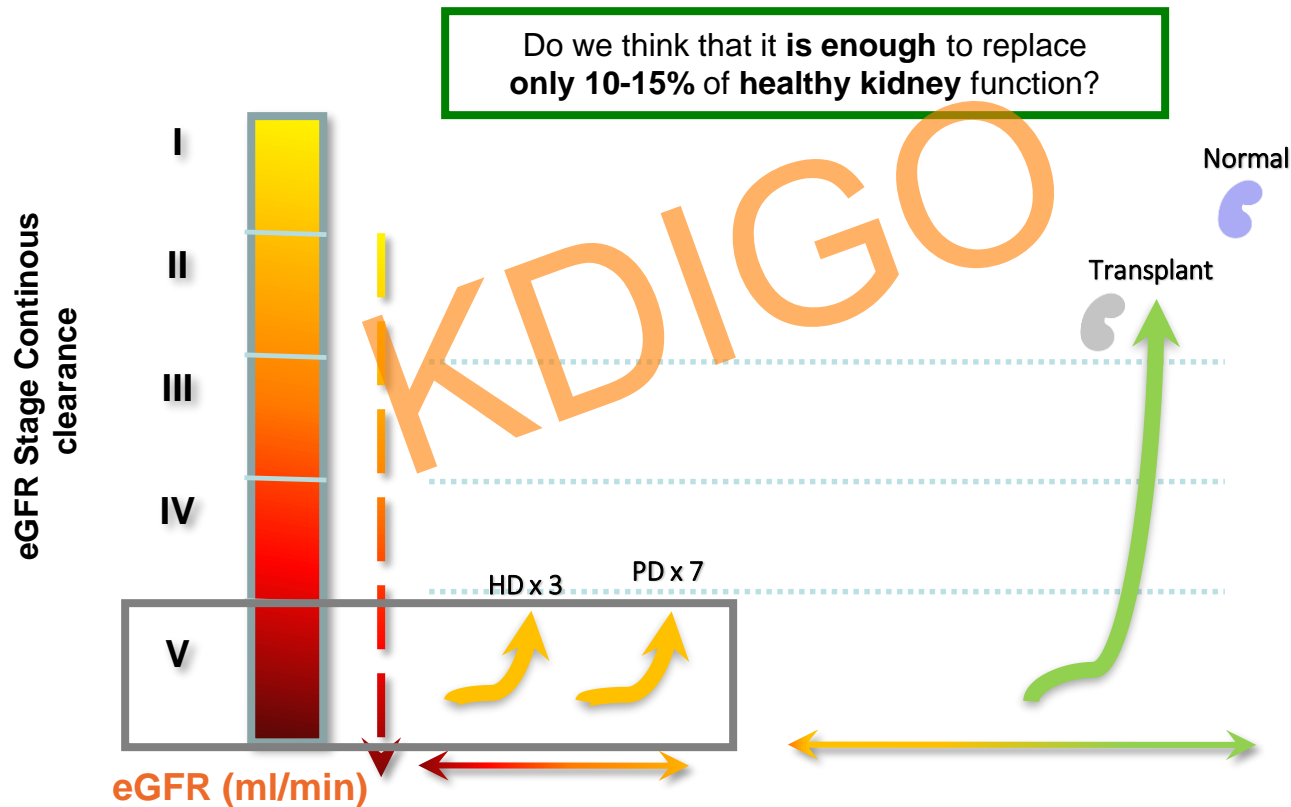
The peak concentration hypothesis



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What else should we do,
if we want to **increase**
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Dialysis Dosing: Kinetics vs Physiology

1. More solute removal



We still **don't know**
which solutes we **SHOULD** remove,

As well as

we still **don't know**, which solutes
we **SHOULD NOT** remove!!

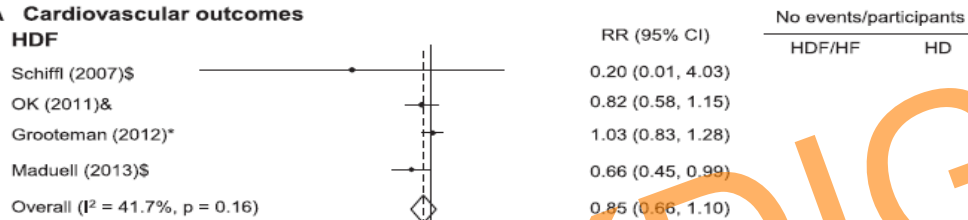
More Solute Removal

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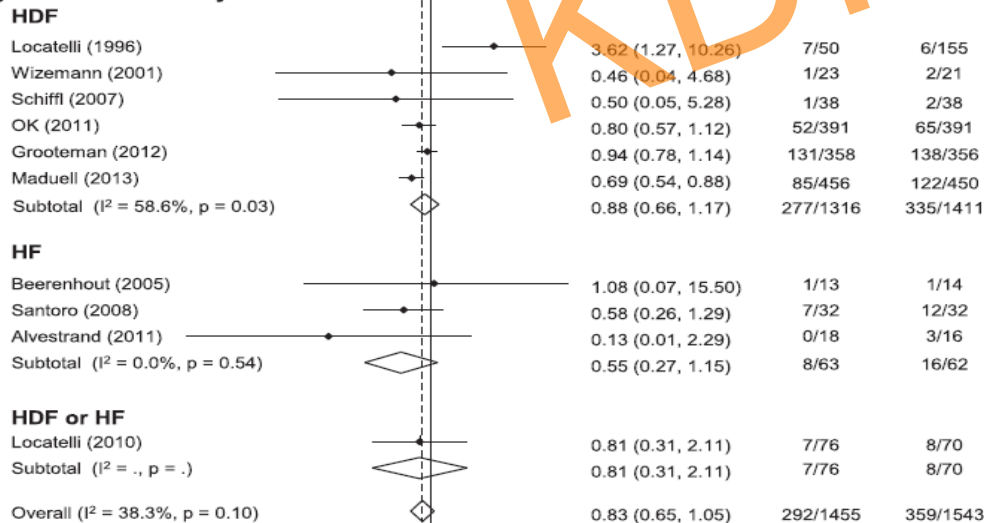
Original Investigation

Effect of Hemodiafiltration or Hemofiltration Compared With Hemodialysis on Mortality and Cardiovascular Disease in Chronic Kidney Failure: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis of Randomized Trials

A Cardiovascular outcomes



B All-cause mortality



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Favors HDF/HF

Favors HD

Convective therapies provide:

- Better middle molecule clearance
- Increase removal of inflammatory mediators
- More hemodynamic stability
- Possibly better cardiovascular outcome with high substitution volumen (> 20 L per sesión)

More Solute Removal



Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews

Haemodiafiltration, haemofiltration and haemodialysis for end-stage kidney disease (Review)

Nistor I, Palmer SC, Craig JC, Saglimbene V, Vecchio M, Covic A, Strippoli GFM

2015 review update

Studies included: 40 (125 reports; 4150 participants)

Ongoing studies: 5 (5 reports)

Studies excluded: 133 (149 reports)

Studies awaiting assessment: 7 (8 reports)

Authors' conclusions

Convective dialysis may reduce cardiovascular but not all-cause mortality and effects on nonfatal cardiovascular events and hospitalisation are inconclusive. However, any treatment benefits of convective dialysis on all patient outcomes including cardiovascular death are unreliable due to limitations in study methods and reporting. Future studies which assess treatment effects of convection dose on patient outcomes including mortality and cardiovascular events would be informative.

More Solute Removal

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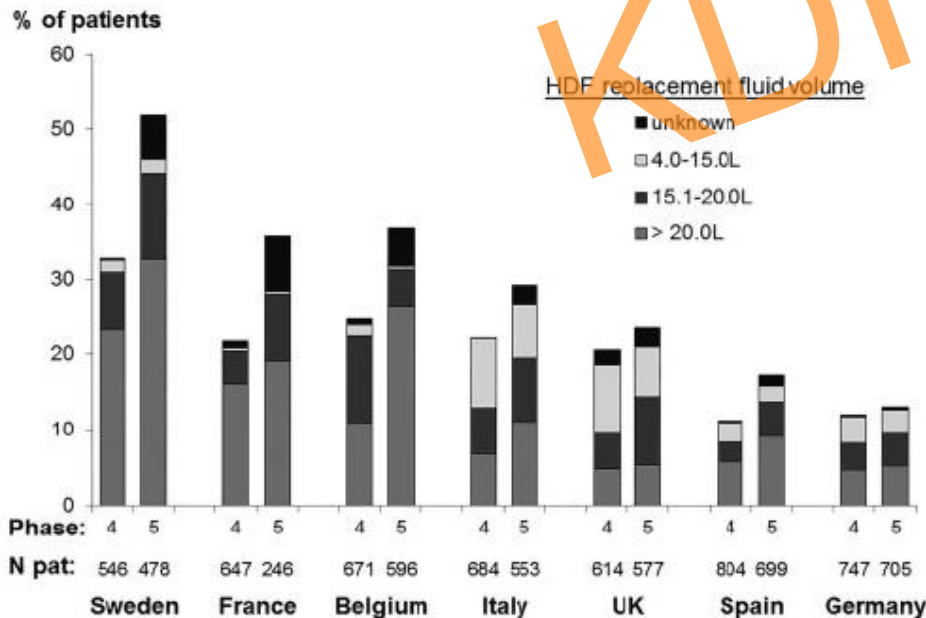
Nephrology Dialysis Transplantation

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Mortality risk in patients on hemodiafiltration versus hemodialysis: a ‘real-world’ comparison from the DOPPS

In this analysis, data from participants in **seven European countries** (Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Sweden and the UK) in **DOPPS Phase 4 (2009–11) and Phase 5 (2012–15) were used.**



Conclusions. Our results do not support the notion that HDF provides superior patient survival. Further trials designed to test the effect of high-volume HDF (versus lower volume HDF versus HD) on clinical outcomes are needed to adequately inform clinical practices.

What should we do?

1. **More solute removal**



2. **More volume control**



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**More frequent and/or
longer sessions**

More Weekly Treatment Time!

Longer sessions

Survival as an index of adequacy

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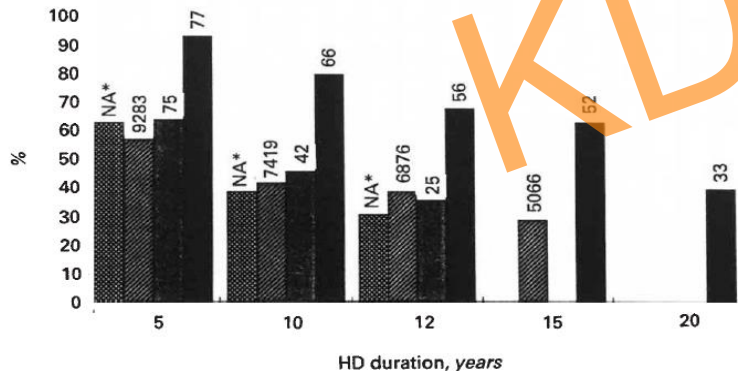
Centre de rein artificiel, Tassin, France

Kidney International, Vol. 41 (1992), pp. 1286-1291

This evidence is not new!

Tassin's artificial kidney center's experience

This group reported **one of the best dialysis survival estimates of any program or registry**



Long-term survival (%) of patients in four series: USRDS, EDTA; Japan and Tassin

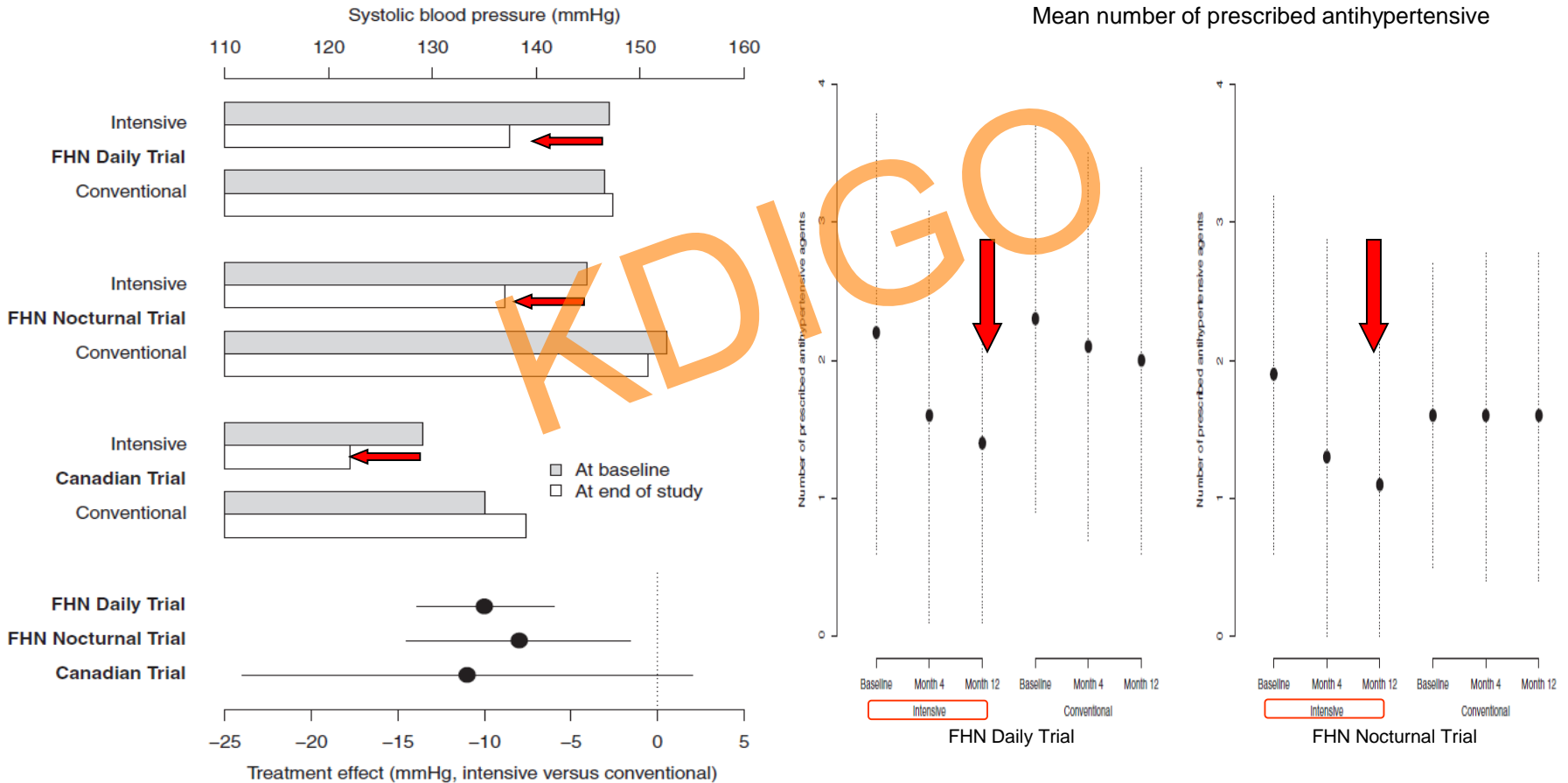
it takes anywhere near eight hours of dialysis to achieve sufficient ultrafiltration to control blood pressure. What we do believe though, is that sometimes it takes longer to remove enough fluid to control blood pressure than it does to provide an adequate dose of dialysis.

... survival. Beyond that, it provides more than enough time for ultrafiltration to maintain dry weight and control blood pressure so effectively that antihypertensive medications are very seldom needed. This feature of our program is perhaps the most important factor contributing to our survival results.

**Eight hours of dialysis three times/week
(24 hours/week) (Kt/V of 1.67)**

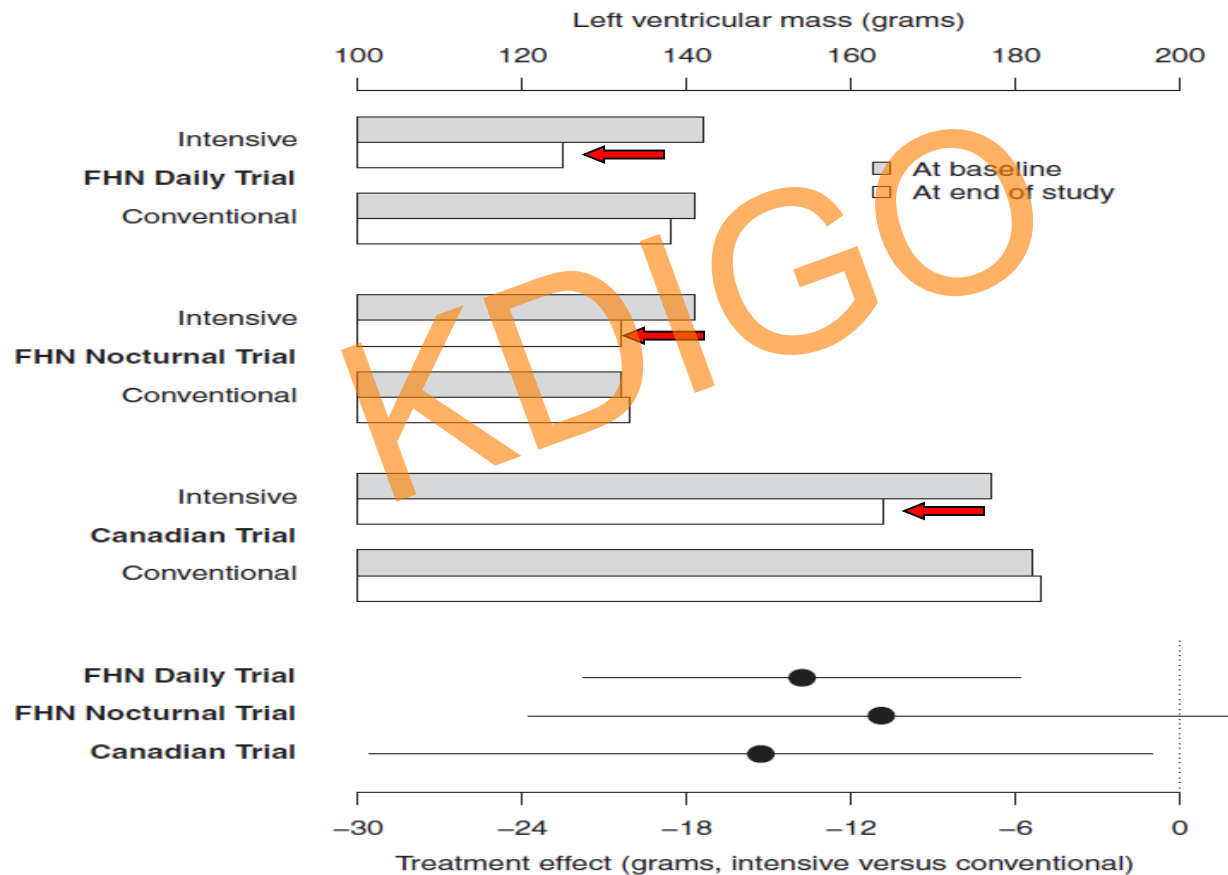
Blood Pressure Control

Effects of **Intensive HD vs conventional HD** on **predialysis systolic blood pressure** in FHN Daily Trial, FHN Nocturnal Trial, and Canadian Nocturnal Trial.



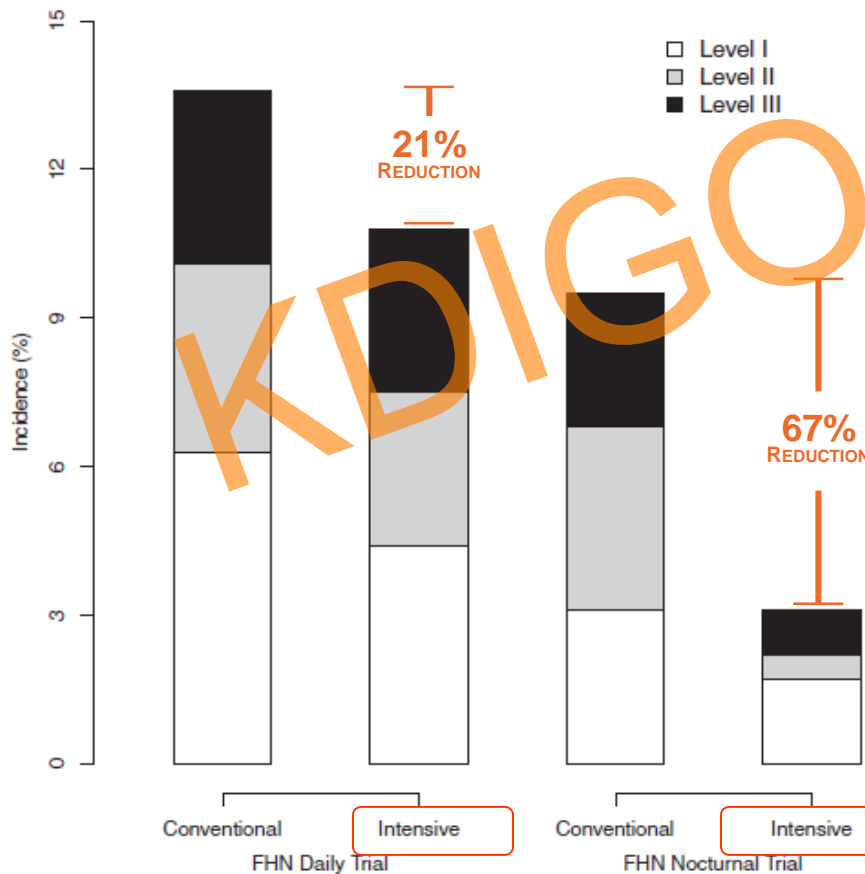
Left Ventricular Hypertrophy

Effects of **Intensive HD vs conventional HD** on **regression of left ventricular mass** in FHN Daily Trial, FHN Nocturnal Trial, and Canadian Nocturnal Trial.



Intradialytic Hypotension

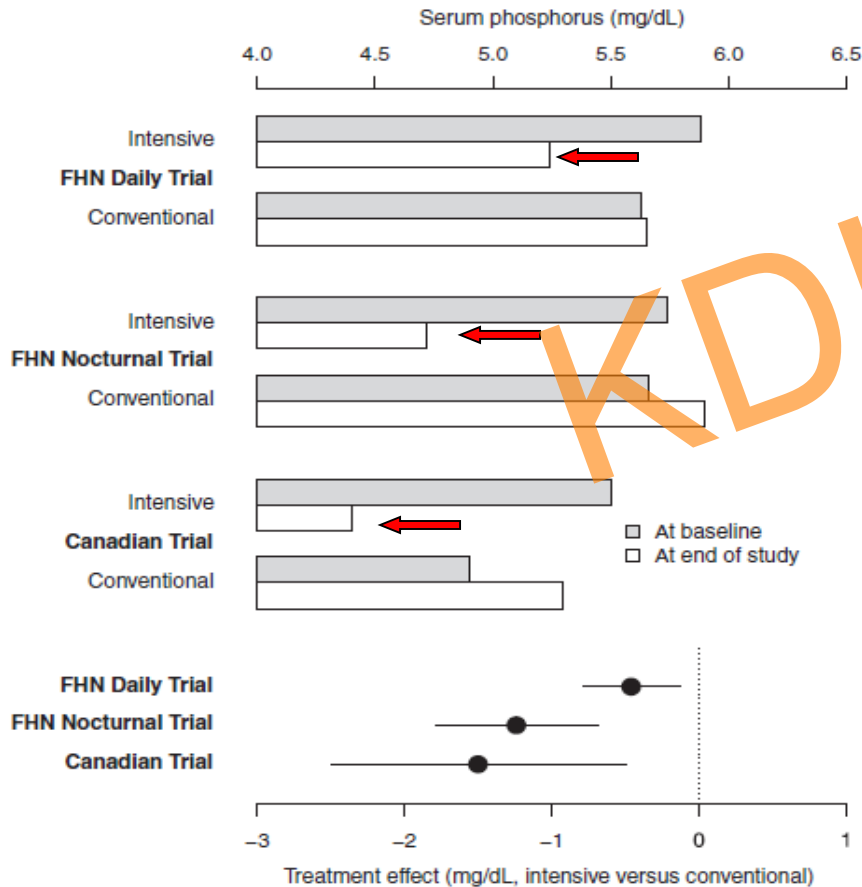
Incidences of levels I, II, and III **intradialytic hypotension** for **Intensive HD** versus **conventional HD** in the FHN Daily Trial and the FHN Nocturnal Trial.



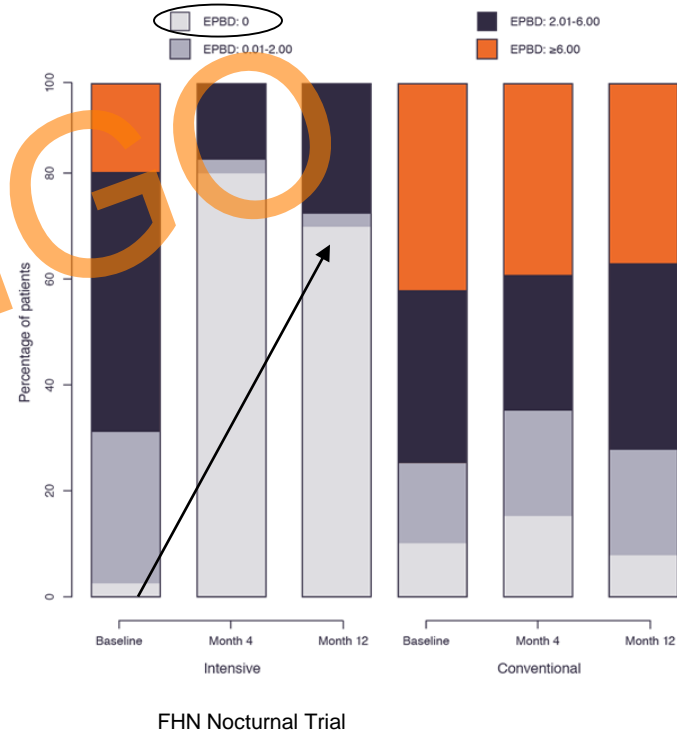
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2. www.AdvancingDialysis.org

Phosphate Removal

Effects of **Intensive HD** vs **conventional HD** on **serum phosphote levels** in FHN Daily Trial, FHN Nocturnal Trial, and Canadian Nocturnal Trial.



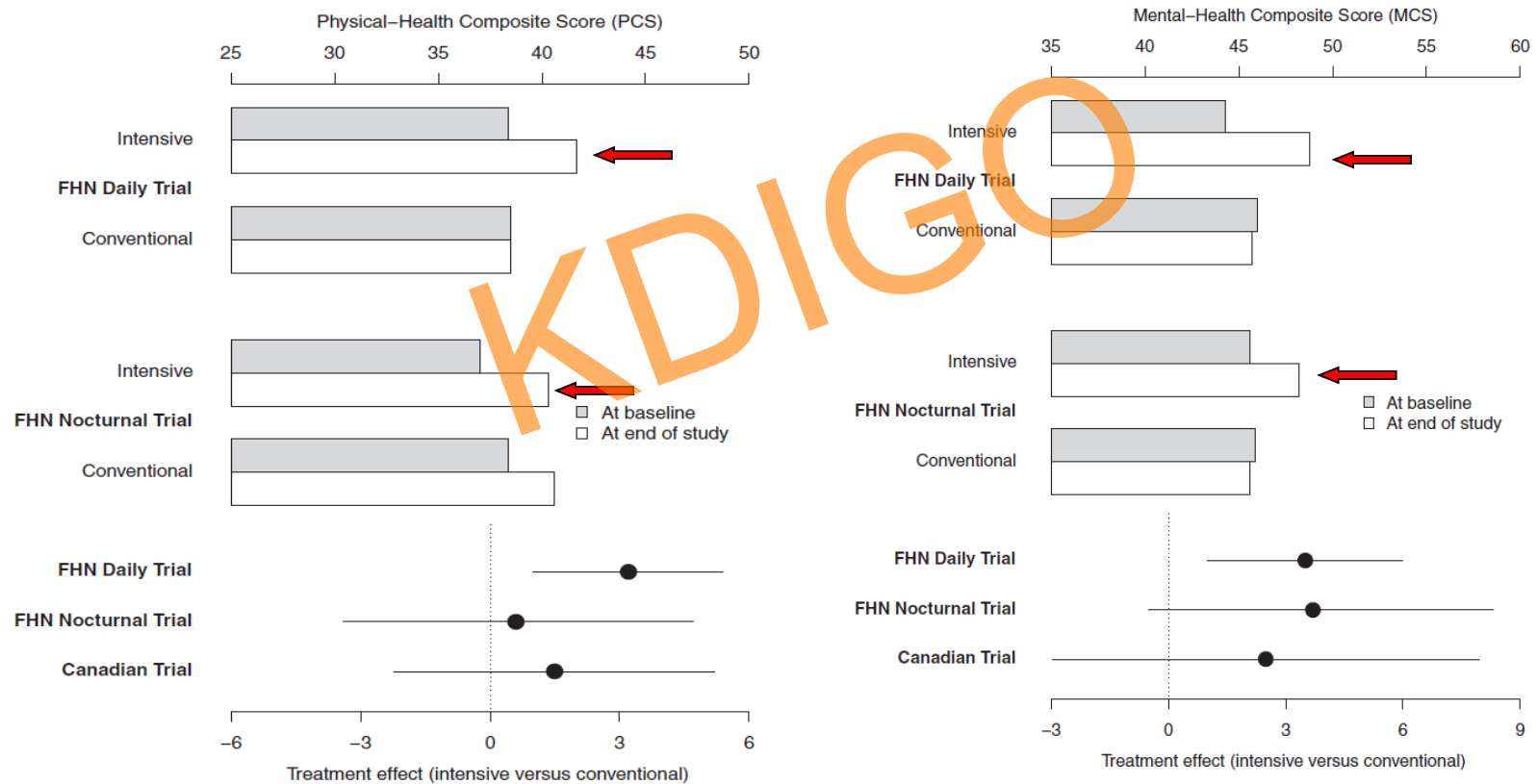
Distribution of equivalent phosphorus binding dose for intensive versus conventional ²



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Health-related quality of life

Effects of **Intensive HD** vs **conventional HD** on the **physical and mental health composite score** in FHN Daily Trial, FHN Nocturnal Trial, and Canadian Nocturnal Trial.



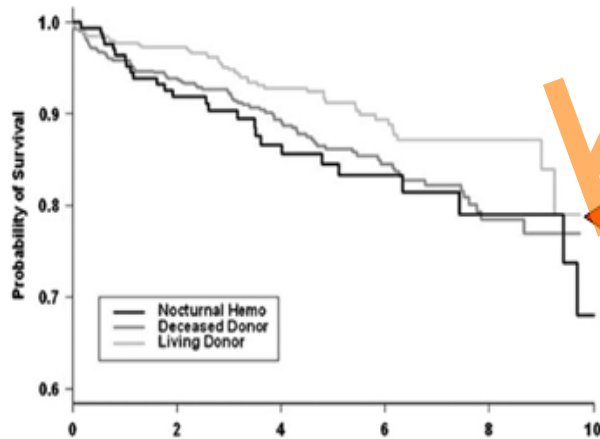
Intensive HD

NDT
Nephrology Dialysis Transplantation

Survival among nocturnal home haemodialysis patients compared to kidney transplant recipients

Robert P. Pauly¹, John S. Gill², Caren L. Rose², Reem A. Asad³, Anne Chery⁴, Andreas Pierratos⁵ and Christopher T. Chan³

Using data from two regional Nocturnal HD programmes from Canada and the USRDS from 1994 to 2006, performed a matched cohort study comparing survival between NHD and deceased and living donor kidney transplantation



N	1	2	3	4	5	6
NHD	177	134	85	48	28	10
DTX	531	463	302	198	90	0
LTX	531	458	282	170	60	0

Time From Modality Start (Years)



Intensive Home Hemodialysis Survival is Comparable to Deceased Donor Kidney Transplant

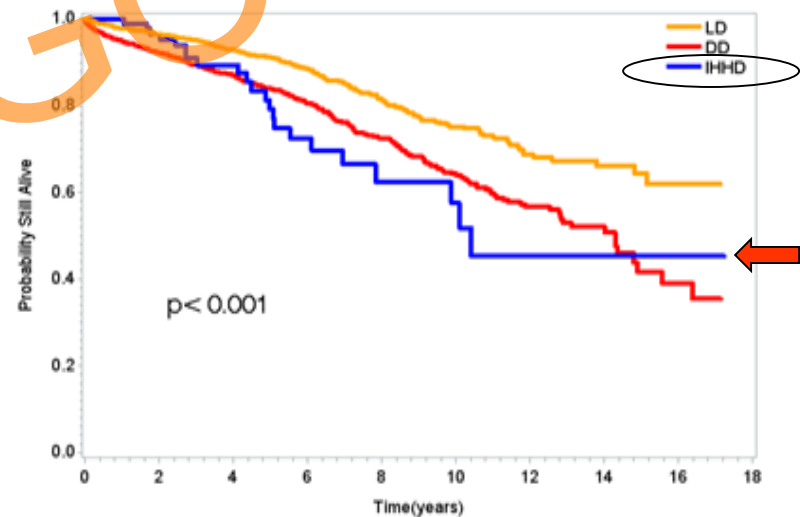
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¹University of Virginia Medical Center, Charlottesville, VA and ²Lynchburg Nephrology Physicians Lynchburg, VA



Study compared the **survival** of patients who receive a **kidney transplant or started IHHD** between October 1st 1997 and June 30th 2014 in the same Virginia region in the U.S.A

Survival by treatment modality

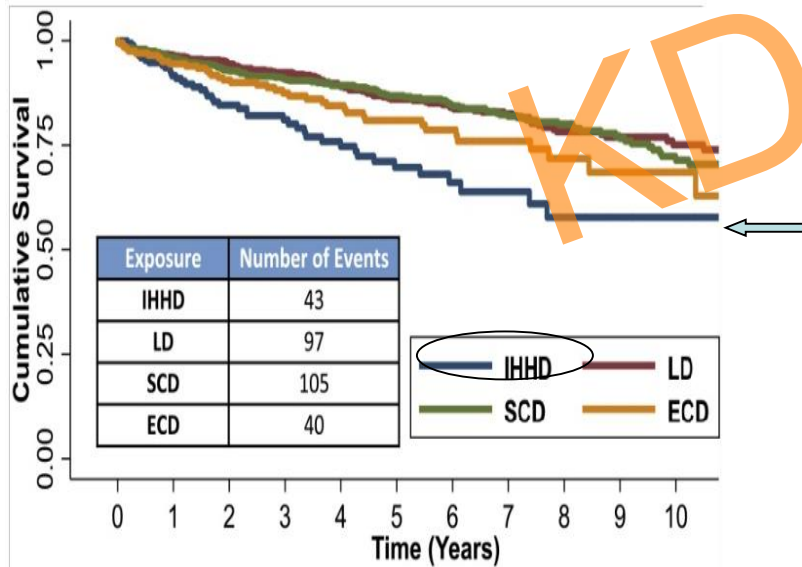


IHHD was defined as ≥ 4 dialysis/week or ≥ 20 hours per week

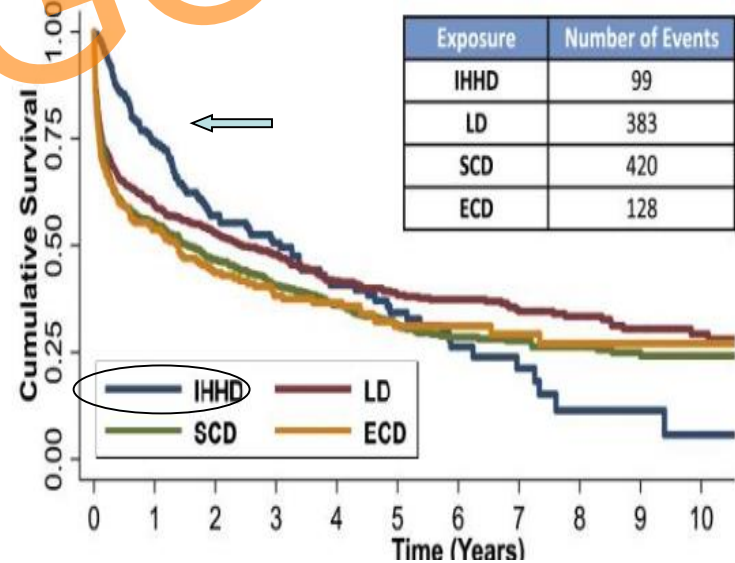
Survival and Hospitalization for Intensive Home Hemodialysis Compared with Kidney Transplantation

Canadian patients receiving **intensive home hemodialysis (IHHD; ≥16 hours per week)** vs kidney transplant

Time-to-death or treatment failure comparing IHHD patients and kidney transplant recipient subtypes

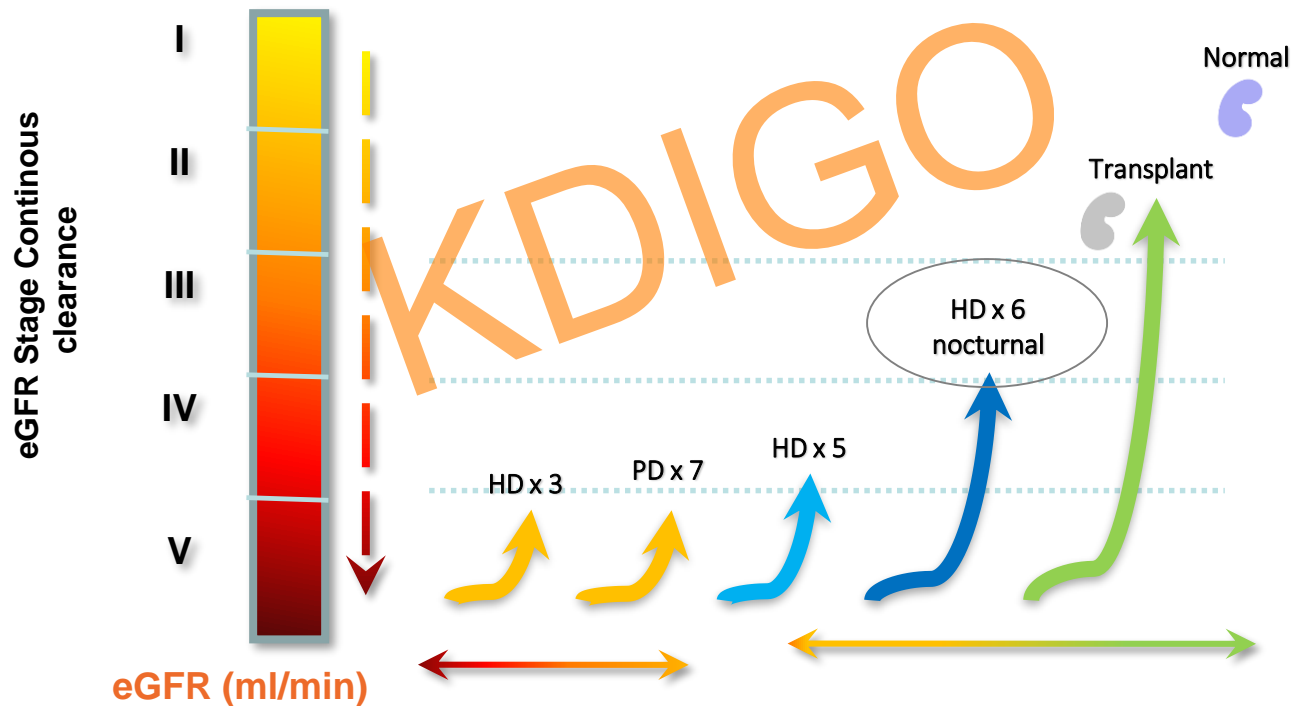


Time to first hospitalization comparing IHHD patients and kidney transplant recipient subtypes



Dialysis Dosing: Kinetics vs Physiology

More frequent and longer dialysis prescription is the dialysis option that more closely mimics the kidney's function



1. Brenner and Rector's The Kidney, 2011
2. www.AdvancingDialysis.org
3. Locatelli et al. Blood Purif 2015



Why do we
continue prescribing
Short 3 sessions/week
for the **majority** of our patients?



This is not the result of **demonstrated clinical superiority** of the prescription
but it is the result of
Increasing **financial and logistical pressures**¹

Policy makers must work **with the renal professional**,
to ensure that **financing approaches** to control costs,
do not adversely impact the quality of care²



**Is it time
to change?**

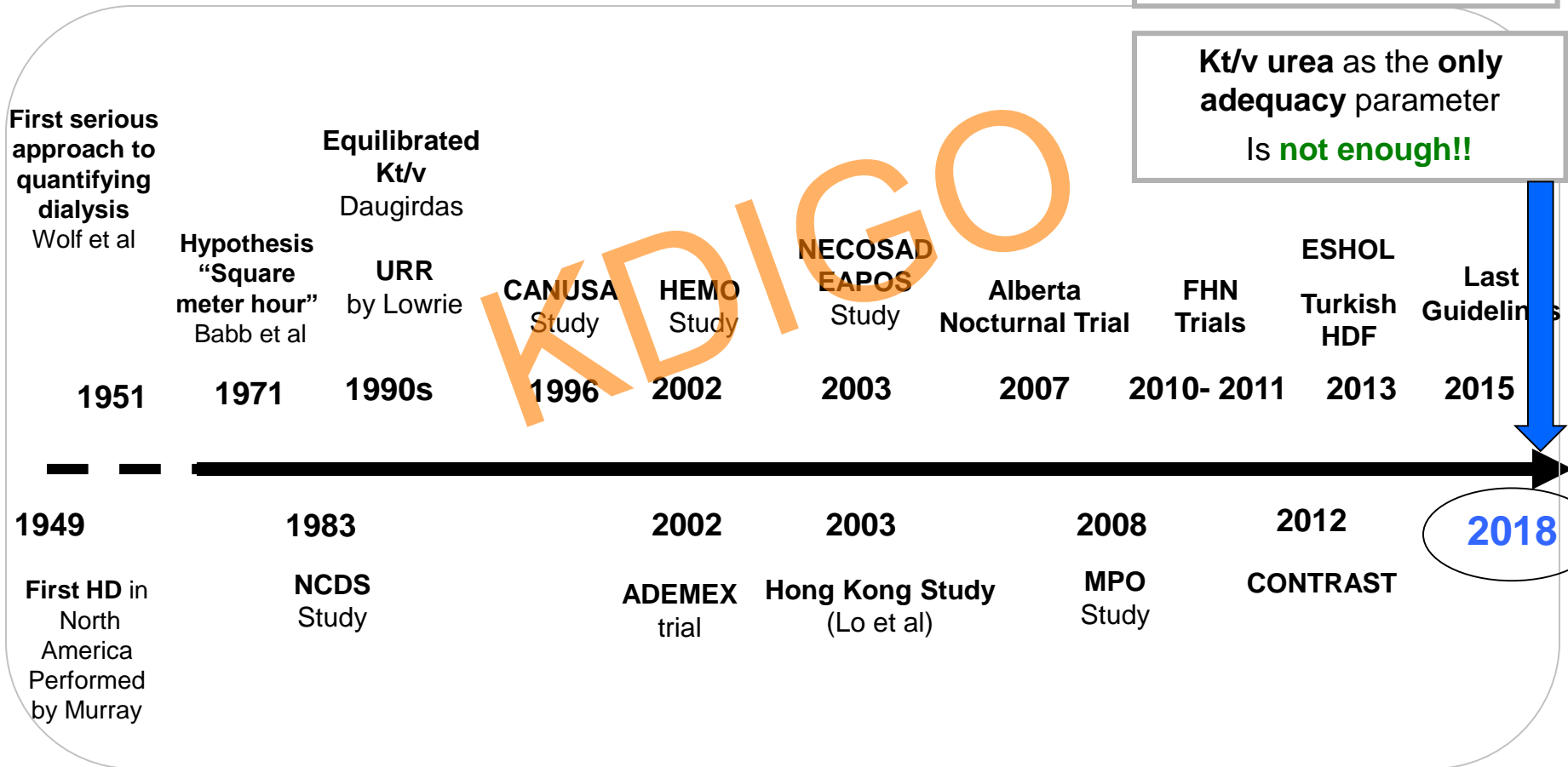
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Dialysis Adequacy

Relevant studies that have changed dialysis adequacy over years.

Conventional HD
Short thrice-weekly
Is **not enough!!**

Kt/v urea as the **only**
adequacy parameter
Is **not enough!!**

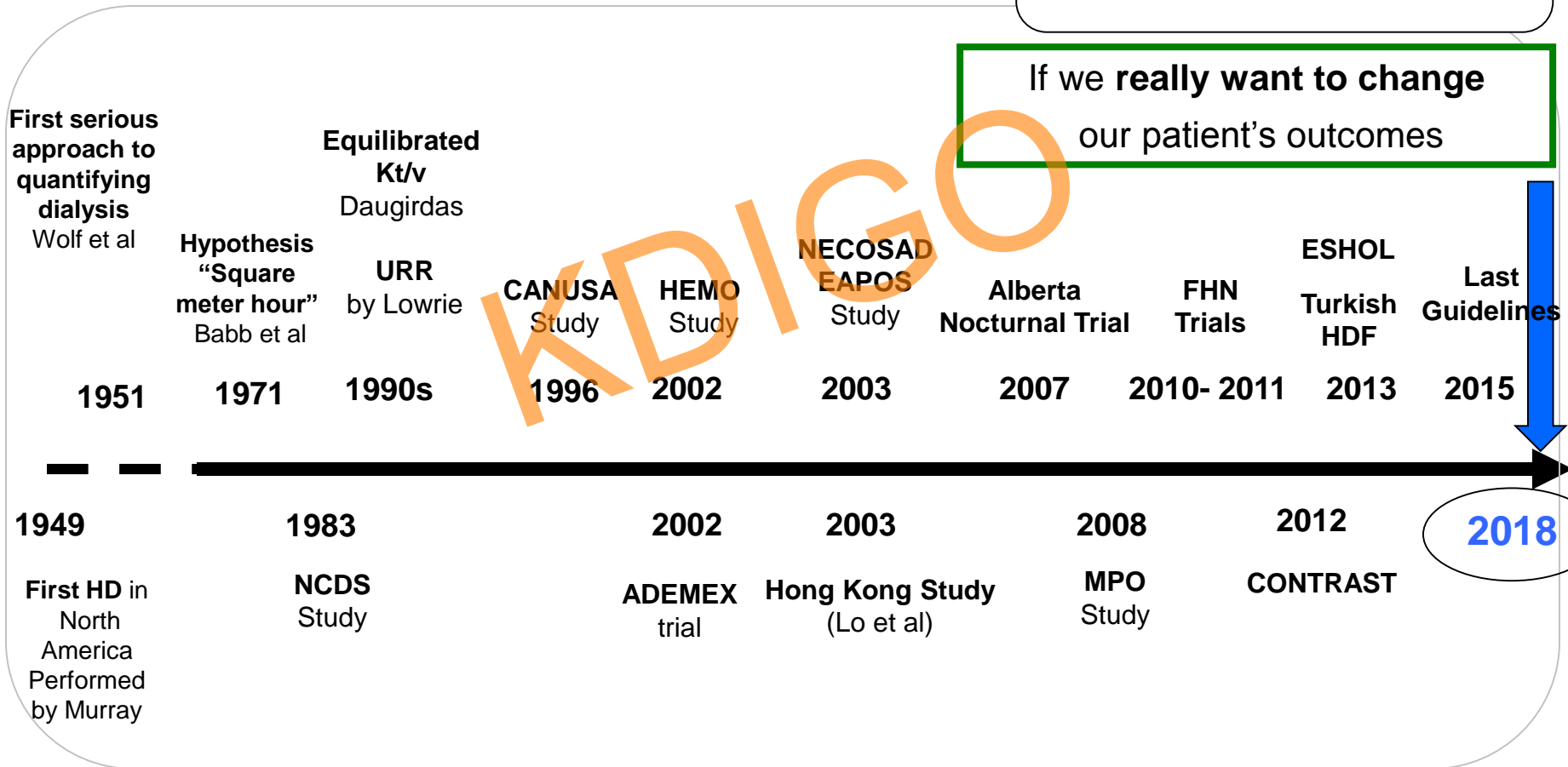


Dialysis Adequacy

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TIME TO MOVE FORWARD

If we really want to change our patient's outcomes



Conclusions

1. After **3 decades** of focusing on **adequacy prescription** defined by **Kt/Vurea**, we **must change** our approach.
2. The **unmet clinical needs** derived from **conventional hemodialysis** have **prompted questions** about the **validity** of the current **adequacy goal**, and have generated **interest** in **other clinical parameters** for patient's **outcomes** that may be more important **than solute removal**.
3. **Weekly treatment time** is the **one factor** with the **potentially highest impact** on **dialysis dose**, that can **help** achieve **more solute clearance** as well as more **volume control**.

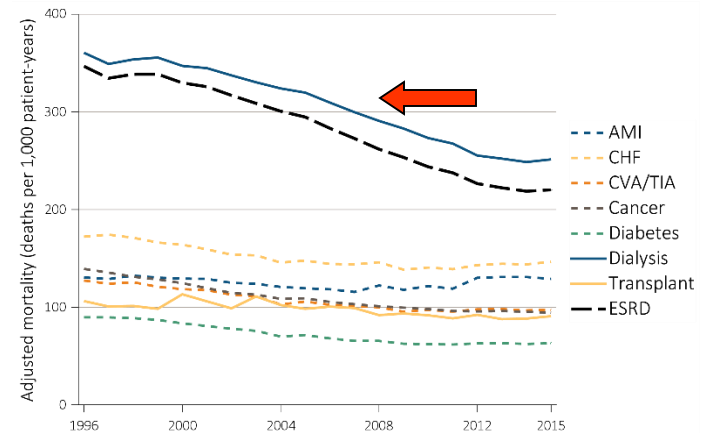
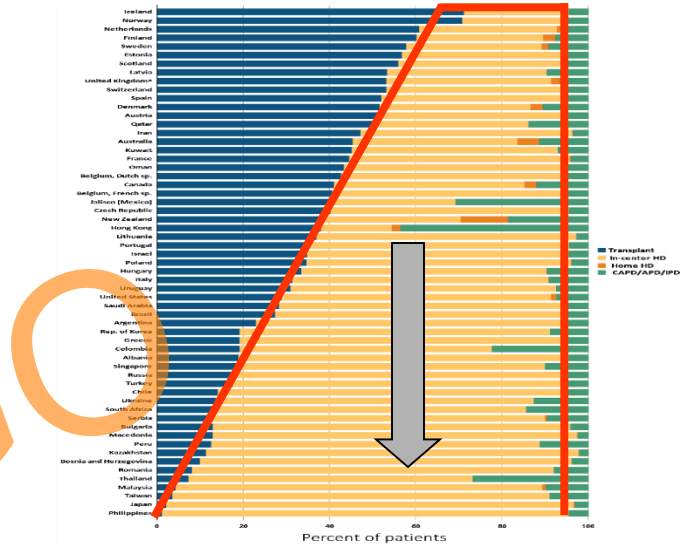
Conclusions

4. We **need** to think whether, instead of prescribing conventional HD for the **majority** of patients, we can turn to **alternative dialysis prescriptions** probably starting with patients who have **a longer life expectancy**, and with **those** that **can specifically benefit** from alternative **dialysis schedules**.
5. **Home dialysis** is an **attractive** and **cost-effective modality** to **increase time and frequency** due to **favorable logistics**; and also **offers** more **freedom** and **quality of life**.
6. When **home dialysis is not possible**, we need to think of different possibilities to **increase time and frequency**, but in an **in-center setting**, such as:
 - More **nocturnal** dialysis
 - **4 times/week** sessions
 - **Alternate-day** sessions
7. **Further studies** are required to compare **different dialysis prescriptions**

Conclusions

In the near future, we can have a different picture of RRT worldwide, with an improvement of patient's outcomes, because of a change in Nephrologists' way of thinking!!

The **FUTURE** is in our **HANDS!!**



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