Diabetic Kidney Disease

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Learning Objectives:

- Epidemiology and Progression of Diabetic Kidney Disease (DKD)
- **G** Screening test for DKD
- Risk Factors for DKD
- **D** Treatment Guidelines for DKD

Diabetic Kidney Disease (DKD)

- Diabetes Mellitus is the leading cause of CKD and ESRD worldwide.
- **CKD** is common in patients with DM
- □ Type 1 DM ~30% and Type 2 DM ~ 40%
- □ 10-15% of the patient will progress to ESRD
- DKD amplifies the risk of cardiovascular morbidity and mortality

Kidney Disease in Type 2 Diabetes and Increased Mortality Risk



- Diabetic Kidney Disease is strongly associated with increased risk of all-cause and cardiovascular mortality.
- The association can be seen starting at the stage of albuminuria.

CKD increases the risk of rehospitalization death post-hospitalization

Figure 3.13d Percentage of all-cause hospitalizations resulting in readmission or death within 30 days of discharge in younger adults, Medicaid, 2021



Adjusted % of readmission plus death without readmission in the 30 days following a live discharge among individuals with Medicaid younger adults (those aged 18-64 years)

□ 36.6% Stage 3 CKD

□ 35.0% Stage 4 CKD

□ 44.0% Stage 5 CKD

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Survival in incident dialysis patients is lower than in patients with several different solid-organ cancers



Screening for Diabetic Kidney Disease

Figure 2.8 Percentage receiving urine protein testing in insured adults, 2020



Albuminuria testing is crucial, but it is widely underutilized among persons with or at risk for CKD

USRDS Annual Data Report 2023



Original Investigation | Nephrology Estimated Prevalence and Testing for Albuminuria in US Adults at Risk for Chronic Kidney Disease

Chi D. Chu, MD, MAS; Fang Xia, PhD; Yuxian Du, PhD; Rakesh Singh, PhD; Delphine S. Tuot, MDCM, MAS; Julio A. Lamprea-Montealegre, MD, PhD; Ralph Gualtieri, MD; Nick Liao, MS; Sheldon X. Kong, PhD; Todd Williamson, PhD; Michael G. Shlipak, MD, MPH; Michelle M. Estrella, MD, MHS

- In this study, uACR testing was associated with a 2.4-fold odds of receiving ACE/ ARB treatment and 8.2-fold odds of receiving SGLT2i therapy.
- Improving the detection of CKD with albuminuria testing represents a substantial opportunity to optimize care delivery for reducing CKD progression and cardiovascular complications.





Diabetic Nephropathy vs Diabetic Kidney Disease

Changes in Glomerular Histology



- Diabetic nephropathy is defined by the histology of the kidney.
- Diabetic kidney disease is based on clinical history and laboratory evaluation.

Risk Factors for Diabetic Kidney Disease

Risk Factor	Susceptibility	Initiation	Progression
Demographic			
Older age	+		
Sex (men)	+		
Race/ethnicity (black, American Indian, Hispanic, Asian/Pacific Islanders)	+		+
Hereditary			
Family history of DKD	+		
Genetic kidney disease		+	
Systemic conditions			
Hyperglycemia	+	+	+
Obesity	+	+	+
Hypertension	+		+
Kidney injuries			
AKI		+	+
Toxins		+	+



Link between Social Determinants of Health (SDoH) and CKD

- Many of the determinants of CKD, such as obesity, diabetes, and hypertension, may have their foundation in socioeconomic deprivation
- □ These include, but are not limited to:
 - discrimination and segregation
 - substandard living conditions
 - limited quality health care to the uninsured or underinsured
 - □ limited health literacy
 - poor educational systems
 - □ chronic stress



Treatment Guidelines





ACE/ARB use in Type 2 DM and CKD

The Only Proven Treatment for Renoprotection in T2DM: RENAAL & IDNT



ACE inhibitors and ARB have been the standard treatment for DKD for many years, but their use has not been optimized to its full potential.



Holistic approach for improving outcomes in patients with diabetes and chronic kidney disease



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SGLT2Inhibitors: Comparison of RCT

CREDENCE

Canagliflozin VS placebo

Double blind, Placebo-controlled, Multicentric RCT (N=4401)

Inclusion:

- Type 2 DM
- eGFR: ≥ 30-90; and
- UACR > 300-≤ 5000 mg/g

2019 Median follow-up: 2.62 yrs

Renal-specific composite of ESKD, 2* S. Cr or death from renal causes: HR 0.66; (0.53 to 0.81)

CV death, MI, stroke: HR 0.80 (0.67 – 0.95) Hospitalization for heart failure: HR 0.61; (0.47 to 0.80)

DAPA-CKD

Dapagliflozin VS placebo

Double blind, Placebo-controlled, Multicentric RCT (N=4301)

Inclusion:

- eGFR: ≥ 25-75; and
- UACR ≥ 200-≤ 5000 mg/g
 With or without DM

2020 Median follow-up: 2.4 yrs

Composite of sustained decline in eGFR of at least 50%, ESKD, or death from renal causes: , HR 0.56; (0.45 to 0.68)

Composite of death from CV causes or hospitalization for heart failure: HR 0.71; (0.55 to 0.92)

EMPA - KIDNEY

Empagliflozin VS placebo

Double blind, Placebo-controlled, Multicentric parallel group RCT (N=6609)

Inclusion:

- eGFR: ≥ 20-45; or
- eGFR ≥45 to <90 with UACR
 ≥200 mg/g
 With or without DM



Progression of kidney disease or death from CV causes: HR 0.72; (0.64 to 0.82)

Rate of hospitalization from any cause: HR 0.86; (0.78 to 0.95)



- All three trials show consistent benefits of reduction in CKD progression.
- Most notably, the benefits are in addition to the protective benefits from the use of ACE inhibitors/ARBs.

Renal Protection with SGLT2 Inhibitors

- The initial dip in eGFR is about 5 ml/min. It reaches a nadir within 1– 2 weeks and slowly returns to pretreatment values over the next 3–9 months.
- Thereafter the rate of decline in eGFR is slower than in individuals who are not treated with an SGLT2 inhibitor.



The illustration is loosely based on data from the EMPA-REG, CREDENCE and DAPA-CKD trials

Practical provider guide to initiating SGLT2 inhibitors in patients with type 2 diabetes and CKD

	Assessment	Intervention	Follow-up
Patient selection	Eligible patients: • eGFR ≥20 ml/min/1.73 m ² High priority features: • ACR ≥200 mg/g [≥20 mg/mmol] • Heart failure Potential contraindications: • Genital infection risk • Diabetic ketoacidosis • Foot ulcers • Immunosuppression	SGLT2 inhibitor with proven benefits: • Canagliflozin 100 mg • Dapagliflozin 10 mg • Empagliflozin 10 mg Education: • Sick day protocol* • Perioperative care [†] • Foot care	 Assess adverse effects Review knowledge Anticipate an acute drop in eGFR, which is generally not a reason to stop the SGLT2 inhibitor
Glycemia	Hypoglycemia risk? • Insulin or sulfonylurea • History of severe hypoglycemia • HbA1c at or below goal	Education: • Hypoglycemia symptoms • Glycemia monitoring Consider insulin/sulfonylurea dose reduction	 Ask about hypoglycemia Reduce sulfonylurea or insulin if needed
Volume	Volume depletion risk? • Concurrent diuretic use • Tenuous volume status • History of AKI	Education: • Volume depletion symptoms Consider diuretic dose reduction	Re-assess volume Reduce concomitant diuretic if needed

Glucagon-like peptide1 receptor agonists (GLP1-RA)

Potential mechanisms by which GLP1-RA confer kidney and cardiovascular protection.



The NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL of MEDICINE

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Effects of Semaglutide on Chronic Kidney Disease in Patients with Type 2 Diabetes

Inclusion Criteria:

Patients with T2DM with an eGFR of 50 to 75 ml/min/1.73m2 and a UACR of greater than 300 mg and less than 5000mg or an eGFR of 25 to less than 50 ml/min/1.73m2 and a UACR greater than 100mg and less than 5000mg

Interventions:

Patients were randomized (1:1) to either receive subcutaneous Semaglutide or placebo



Guideline-directed medical therapy for patients with T2DM and CKD will continue to evolve in the coming year with new pillars of treatment being added.

DIABETIC KIDNEY DISEASE

Managing DKD involves multiple interventions

- Exercise
- Diet modifications
- Smoking cessation
- Weight Loss and Management of Obesity
- Avoiding NSAIDs
- Psychosocial support
- Blood Pressure Control
- Diabetes Mellitus control
- Management of cholesterol
- Guideline Directed Medical Therapy
- Transplant workup
- Preparing for dialysis

Reducing CKD progression is a team sport

Thank you!





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Figure Legend:



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Figure Legend:

Prevalence of Prescription Medication Use in Chronic Kidney Disease Categories 3a to 5 in 2006 to 2009, 2010 to 2013, 2014 to 2017 ACE indicates angiotensin-converting enzyme; ARB, angiotensin receptor blocker; NSAID, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug; PPI, proton pump inhibitor; and SGLT2, sodium-glucose cotransporter 2.

Nonsteroidal selective mineralocorticoid receptor antagonist: Finerenone

KDIGO(2A) Recommendation:

For patients with type 2 diabetes who have measured albuminuria \geq 30 mg/day despite an ACE or ARB inhibitor and an SGLT2 inhibitor, we suggest treatment with a nonsteroidal selective MRA, specifically finerenone, where available, provided the patient has serum potassium \leq 5 mEq/L and eGFR \geq 25 mL/min/1.73 m2.