# CKD-CVD-Anemia: The Vicious Cycle

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### Introduction

Chronic kidney disease- increasing health burden in many countries.

The estimated prevalence of CKD in the US was 16.8% while in Asia the prevalence ranged from 12.1% to 17.5%.

In Malaysia, the incidence and prevalence of patients with ESRD on dialysis had increased from 88 and 325 per million population (pmp) respectively in 2001 to 170 and 762 pmp respectively in 2009.

# Definition of Chronic kidney disease

#### Table 11. Definition of Chronic Kidney Disease Criteria

- Kidney damage for ≥3 months, as defined by structural or functional abnormalities of the kidney, with or without decreased GFR, manifest by either:
  - Pathological abnormalities; or
  - Markers of kidney damage, including abnormalities in the composition of the blood or urine, or abnormalities in imaging tests
- 2. GFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> for ≥3 months, with or without kidney damage

Methods to estimate GFR are discussed in Guideline 4. Markers of kidney damage are discussed in Guidelines 5–6.

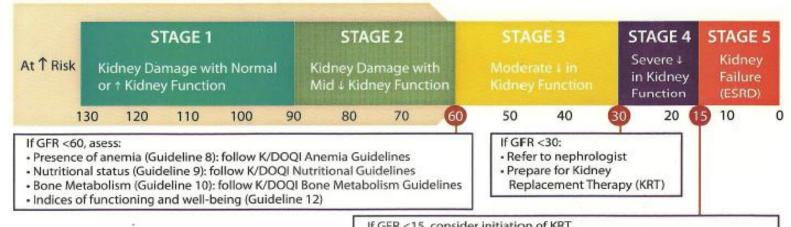
## Stages of Chronic kidney disease

Appendix 3 : CKD – Stages of CKD





Kidney Function: Glomerular Filtration Rate (GFR) (Guidelines 1 and 2)



If GFR < 15, consider initiation of KRT.

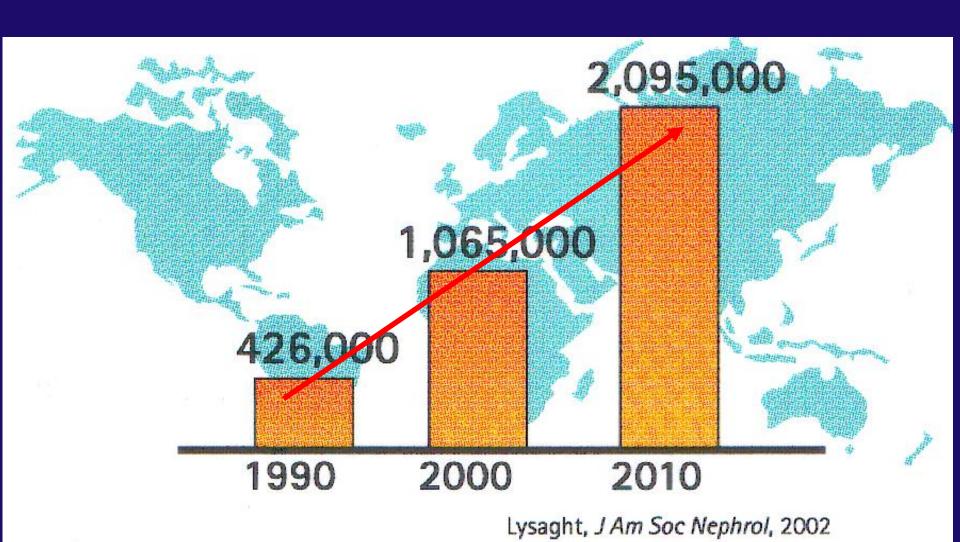
Patients who may benefit from KRT at Higher levels of kidney function:

- Living donor transplant recipients
- Older patients
- Those with diabetes (this group is at highest risk for ASCVD)
- Those with ASCVD
- Those with other comorbid conditions

National Kidney Foundation. K/DOQI Clinical Practice Guidelines for Chronic Kidney Disease: Evaluation, Classification and Stratification. Am J Kidney Dis 39, 2002(suppl 1). These Guidelines, as well as all other K/DOQI™ quidelines, can be accessed on the Internet at: www.kdoqi.org NKF Order No. 12-50-0157. Amgen Part No. P35184.

## **Epidemiology of CKD**

## Global maintenance dialysis population from 1990 to 2010



## Prevalence of ESRD

(per million population),

2005

1. Taiwan 1,830

2. USA 1,585

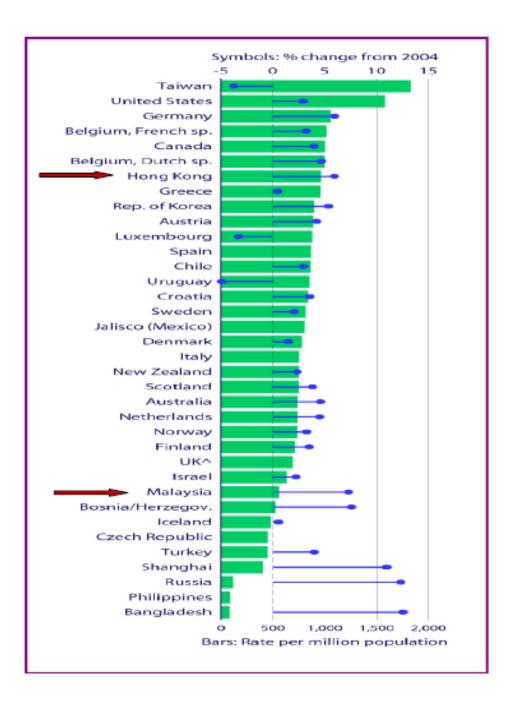
3. Germany 1,057

7. HK 965

28. Malaysia 560

(Japan – no data - No. 1 in 2003)

**USRDS 2007** 

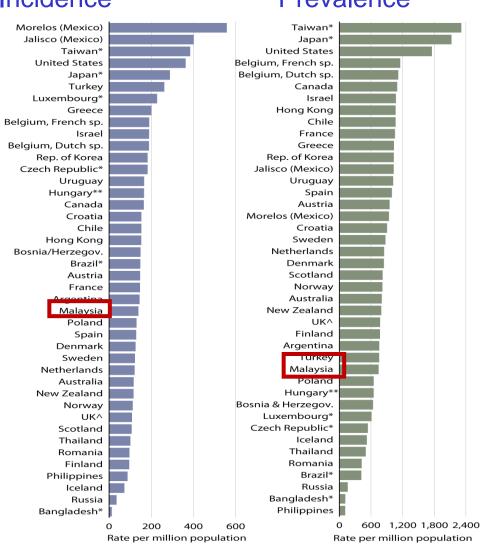


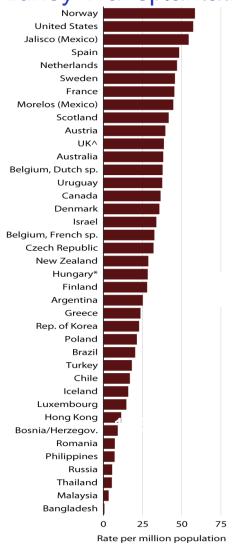
## International comparisons on Incidence and prevalence, Transplantation of ESRD, 2008

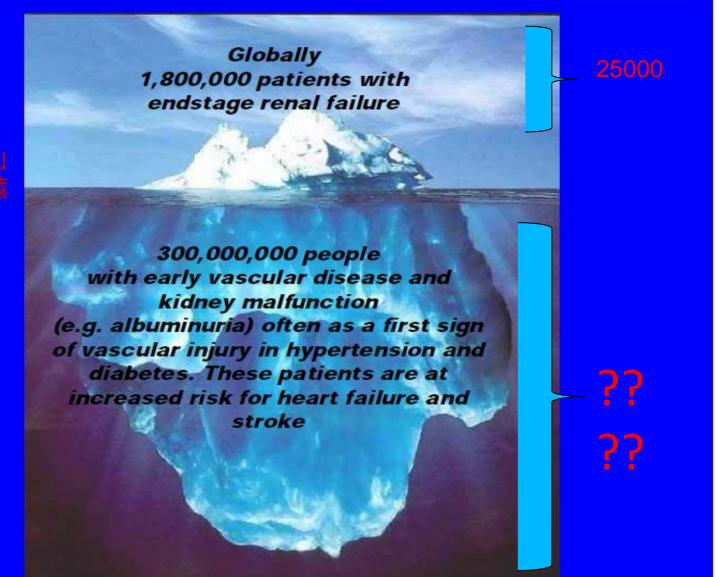


#### Prevalence

#### Kidney Transplantation







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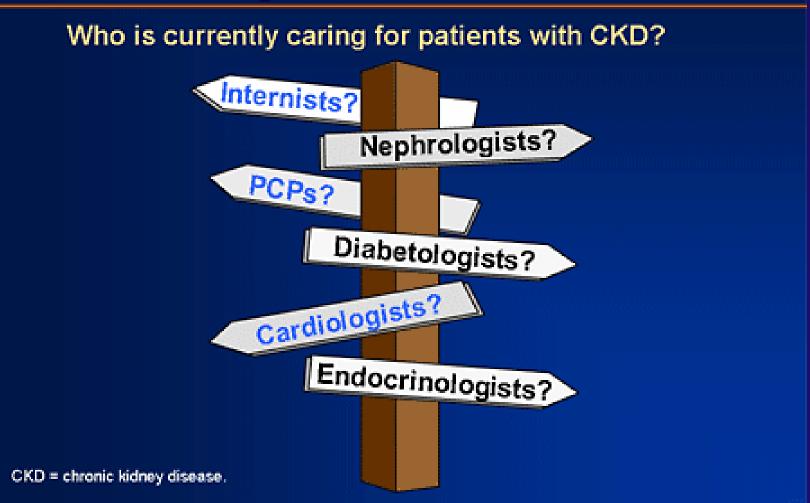
## Stages of CKD in US – Estimated Prevalence

Stage of CKD	Description	GFR	Detection, Evaluation, and Management*	Prevalence†			
				%	No. of Cases (95% CI)		
	n		millions				
1	Kidney damage with normal or increased GFR	>90	Diagnosis and treatment Treatment of coexisting conditions Slowing progression Risk reduction for cardiovascular disease	2.8	5.6 (4.0–7.2)		
2	Kidney damage with mild decrease in GFR	60–89	Estimation of progression	2.8	5.7 (4.2–7.2)		
3	Moderate decrease in GFR	30–59	Evaluation and treatment of complications	3.7	7.4 (6.0–8.9)		
4	Severe decrease in GFR	15–29	Referral to nephrologist and consideration for kidney replacement therapy	0.1	0.30 (0.02–0.5)		
5	Kidney failure	<15	Replacement (if uremia present)	0.2	0.30‡		

## **Complications of CKD**



#### Care Is Fragmented





## Complications Associated With CKD

- Anemia
- Cardiovascular disease
- Diabetes
- Dyslipidemia
- Hypertension
- Malnutrition
- Metabolic acidosis
- Osteodystrophy

## Definition of Anemia

Anemia: hemoglobin (Hgb) concentration below 13.0 g/dL for adult males and post-menopausal women

Hgb below 12.0 g/dL for premenopausal women

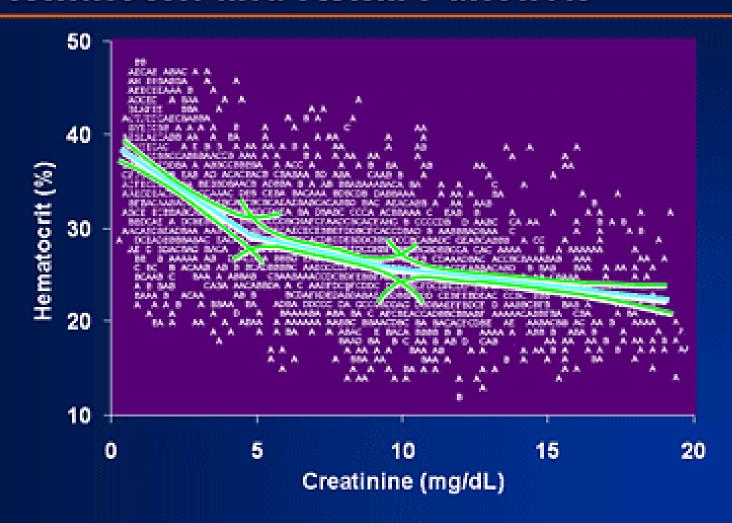
Based on this criteria, nearly 90% of patients with a glomerular filtration rate <25 to 30 mL/min have anemia, many with Hgb levels below 10 g/dL

Anemia of chronic kidney disease is due primarily to reduced production of erythropoietin by the kidney and to shortened red cell survival

Kazmi, WH, et al. Anemia: An Early Complication of Chronic Renal Insufficiency. American Journal of Kidney Diseases 2001; 38:803



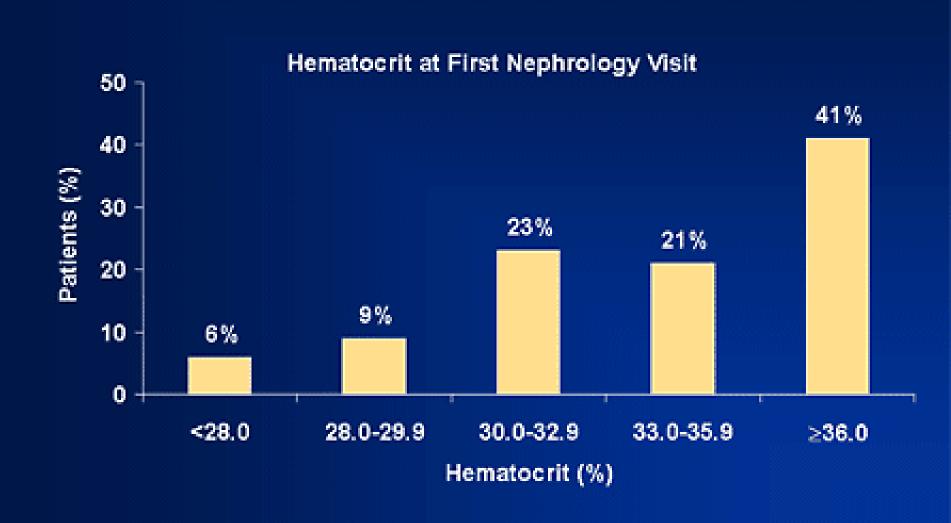
### **Hematocrit and Renal Function**



Adapted from Hakim RM, et al. Am J Kidney Dis. 1988;11:238-247.



## Majority of Patients With CKD Are Anemic at First Nephrology Visit



## **Epidemiology of CVD in CKD**

#### Increased prevalence of CVD



#### CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE IN CHRONIC RENAL DISEASE

#### Clinical Epidemiology of Cardiovascular Disease in Chronic Renal Disease

Robert N. Foley, MB, Patrick S. Parfrey, MD, and Mark J. Sarnak, MD

American Journal of Kidney Diseases, Vol 32, No 5, Suppl 3 (November), 1998; pp 3112-3119

#### Kidney Disease as a Risk Factor for Development of Cardiovascular Disease

A Statement From the American Heart Association Councils on Kidney in Cardiovascular Disease, High Blood Pressure Research, Clinical Cardiology, and Epidemiology and Prevention

Mark J. Samak, MD, Cochair; Andrew S. Levey, MD, Cochair; Anton C. Schoolwerth, MD, Cochair; Josef Coresh, MD, PhD: Bruce Culliston, MD, L. Lee Hamm, MD, Peter A. McCullough, MD, MPE, Bertrum L. Kasiske, MD, Ellie Kelepouris, MD, Michael J. Klag, MD, MPH, Partick Parfrey, MD, Marc Pfeffer, MD, PhD, Leopoldo Raij, MD; David J. Spinova, MD, Peter W, Wilson, MD

Circulation 2003;108;2154-2169 Hypertension 2003;42;1050-1065

#### US data

TABLE 2. Approximate Prevalence of CVD in the General Population and CKD

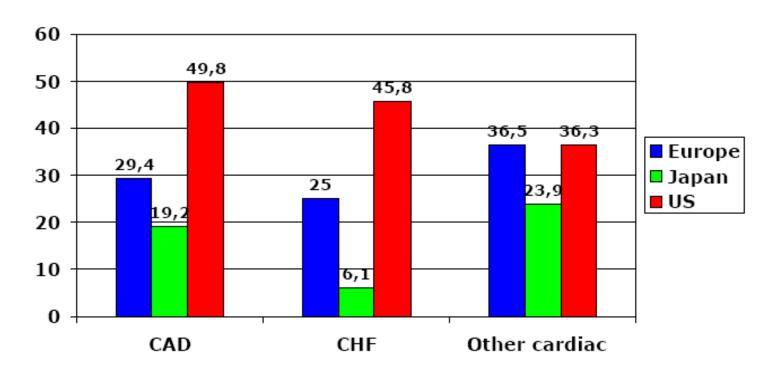
	Ischemic Heart Disease (Clinical)	LVH (Echo)	Heart Failure (Clinical)	
General population	8-13*	20†	3-6‡	
CKD stages 3-4 (diabetic and nondiabetic kidney disease)	NA	25-50 (varies with level of kidney function)§	NA	
CKD stages 1-4 (kidney transplant recipients)	15	50-70¶	NA	
CKD stage 5 (hemodialysis)	40#	75**	40#	
CKD stage 5 (peritoneal dialysis)	40#	75**	40#	

#### **Increased prevalence of CVD**



#### DOPPS 1 data

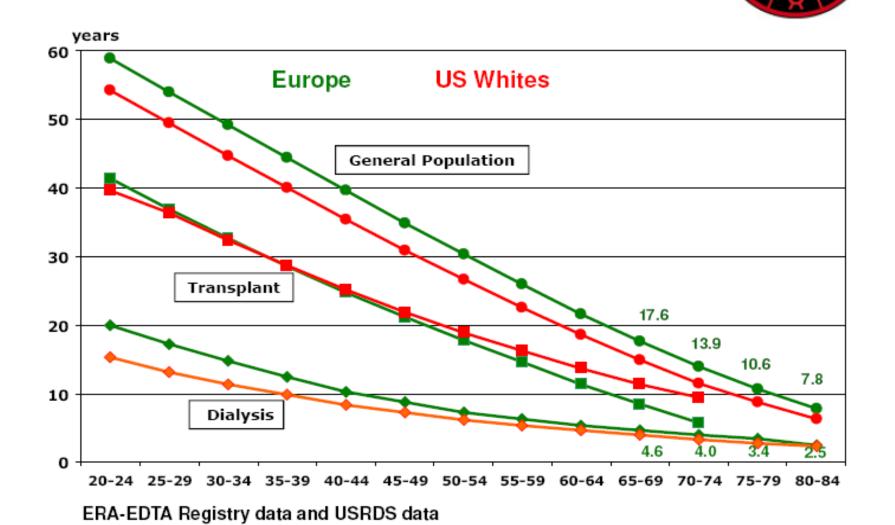
Prevalence of cardiovascular co-morbidity in HD patients at 'baseline'



Goodkin DA et al. Association of Comorbid Conditions and Mortality in Hemodialysis Patients in Europe, Japan, and the United States: The Dialysis Outcomes and Practice Patterns Study (DOPPS). J Am Soc Nephrol 2003;14:3270–3277

## **CKD-CVD- The relations**

## Expected remaining lifetimes in adult CKD Stage 5 as compared to the General Population



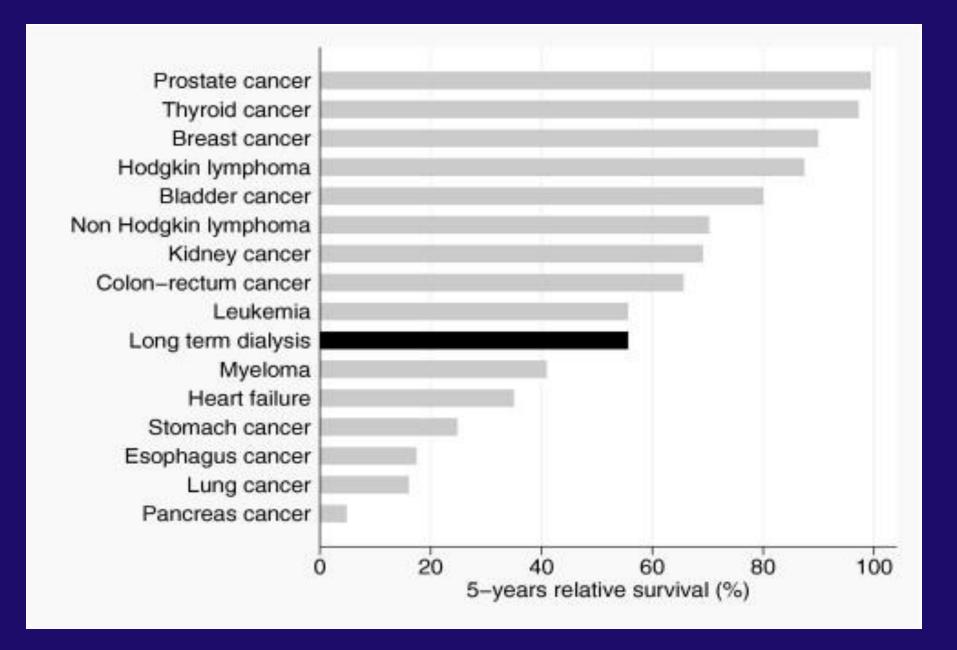


Figure 3.2.1(a): Patient survival by dialysis modality analysis (censored for change of modality)

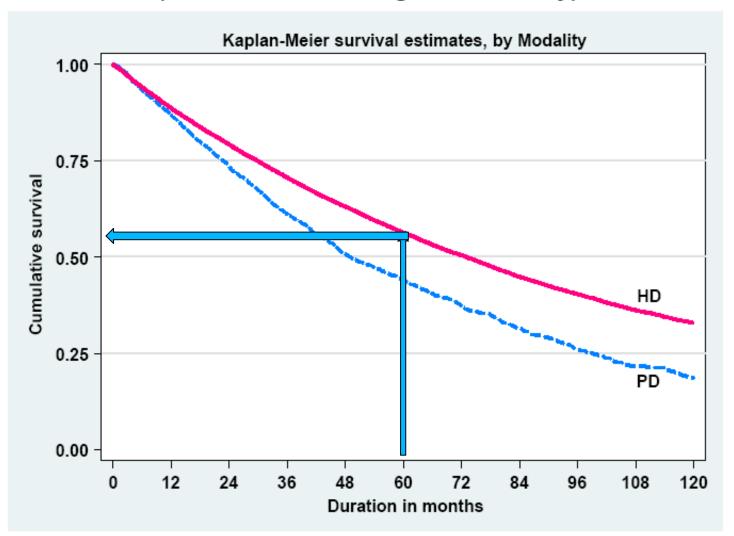


Figure 3.1.1: Death Rates on Dialysis 2001-2010

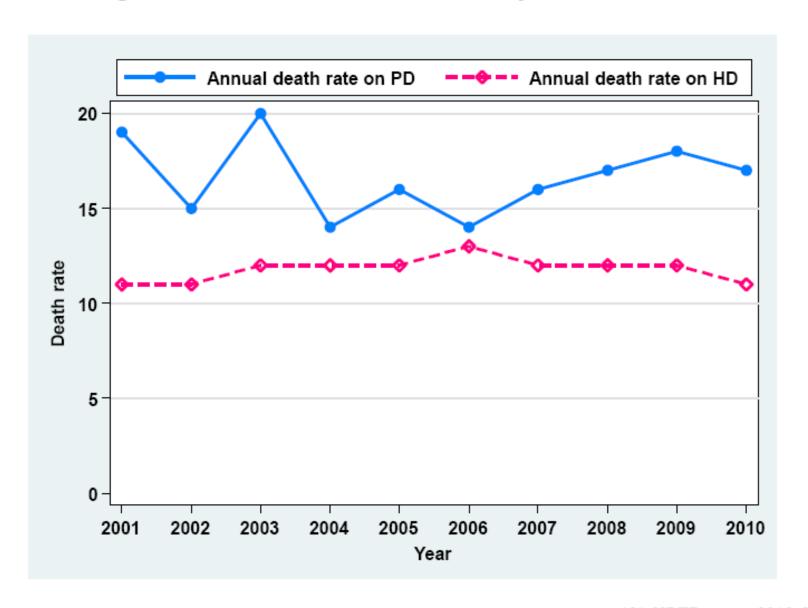
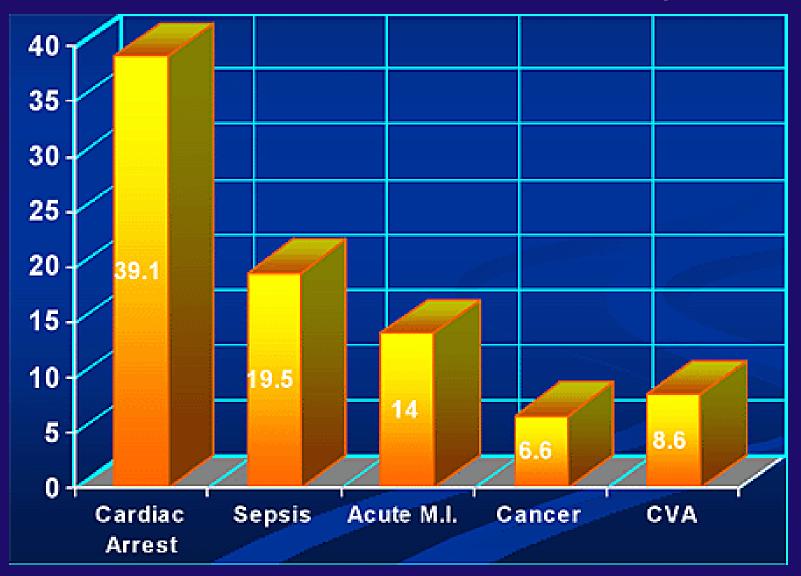


Table 3.1.2: Causes of Death on Dialysis 2001-2010

Year	2001		2002		2003		2004		2005	
Causes of Death	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Cardiovascular	221	26	313	33	341	28	341	26	376	25
Died at home	228	27	212	22	290	24	307	23	320	21
Sepsis	134	16	148	15	197	16	166	13	179	12
PD peritonitis	30	4	16	2	14	1	13	1	22	1
GIT bleed	18	2	24	3	29	2	24	2	29	2
Cancer	18	2	18	2	28	2	20	2	28	2
Liver disease	11	1	16	2	25	2	29	2	26	2
Withdrawal	20	2	18	2	26	2	9	1	11	1
Others	89	10	104	11	161	13	325	25	406	27
Unknown	81	10	90	9	100	8	84	6	116	8
TOTAL	850	100	959	100	1211	100	1318	100	1513	100

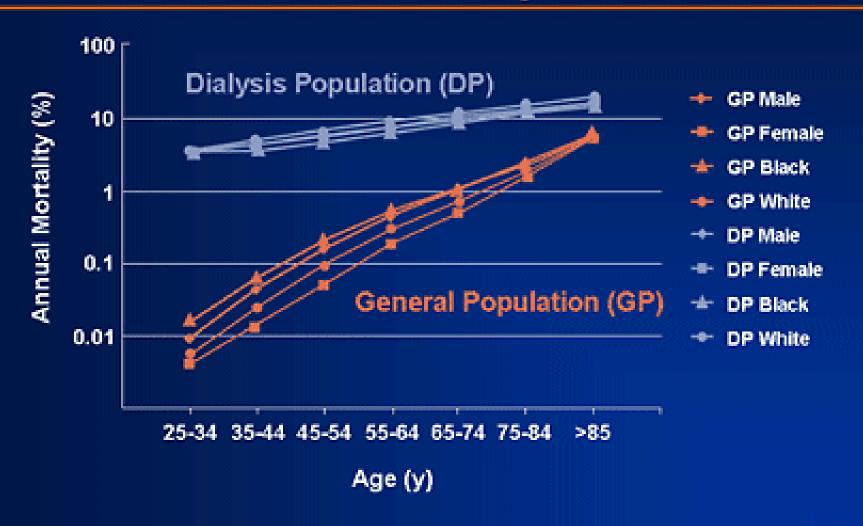
Year	2006		2007		2008		2009		2010	
Causes of Death	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Cardiovascular	517	28	516	26	682	31	871	34	871	34
Died at home	354	20	343	17	423	19	492	19	507	20
Sepsis	235	13	222	11	336	15	570	22	605	24
PD peritonitis	22	1	16	1	25	1	30	1	34	1
GIT bleed	26	1	31	2	43	2	44	2	51	2
Cancer	41	2	34	2	53	2	54	2	69	3
Liver disease	35	2	37	2	44	2	26	1	31	1
Withdrawal	23	1	27	1	24	1	34	1	29	1
Others	392	22	552	28	366	17	195	8	108	4
Unknown	170	9	206	10	194	9	262	10	269	10
TOTAL	1815	100	1984	100	2190	100	2578	100	2574	100

## **Causes of Death in Dialysis**

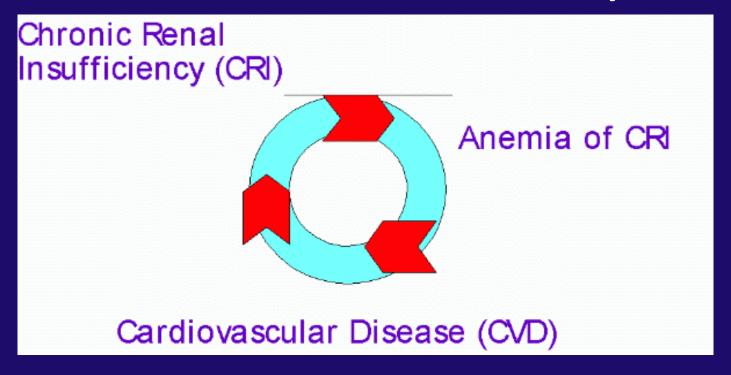




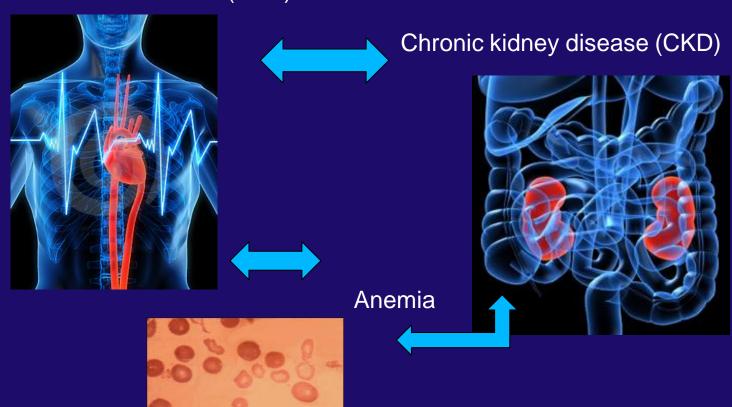
## Cardiovascular Mortality



## CKD-CVD-Anemia- The Cycle



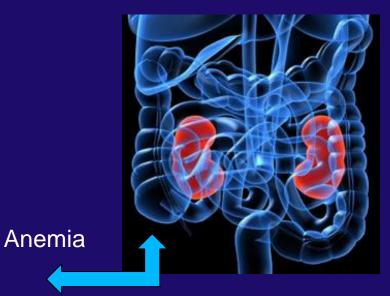
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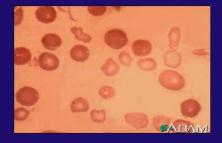


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Chronic kidney disease (CKD)



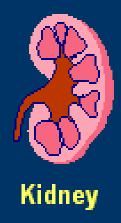


## Erythropoiesis

Erythropoietin acts
on the E-progenitor cells
in the bone marrow to
produce new red blood cells

1 hypoxia (anemia) and increases endogenous erythropoietin production

(3) Kidney senses increased tissue oxygenation

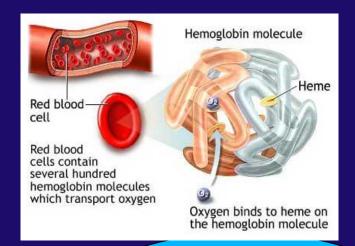


Bone Marrow

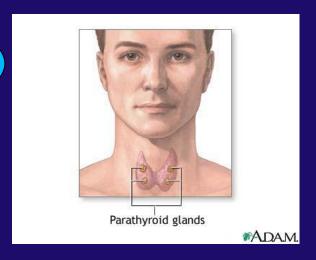
Kidney decreases erythropoietin production

## Other causes of anemia in CKD

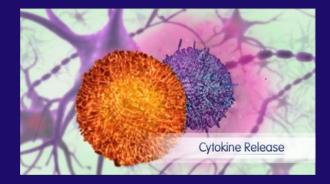
Increased PTH



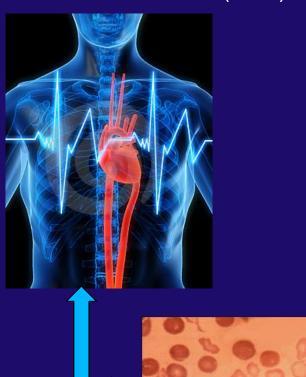
Iron Deficiency



**Chronic Inflammation** 



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Chronic kidney disease (CKD)



Anemia

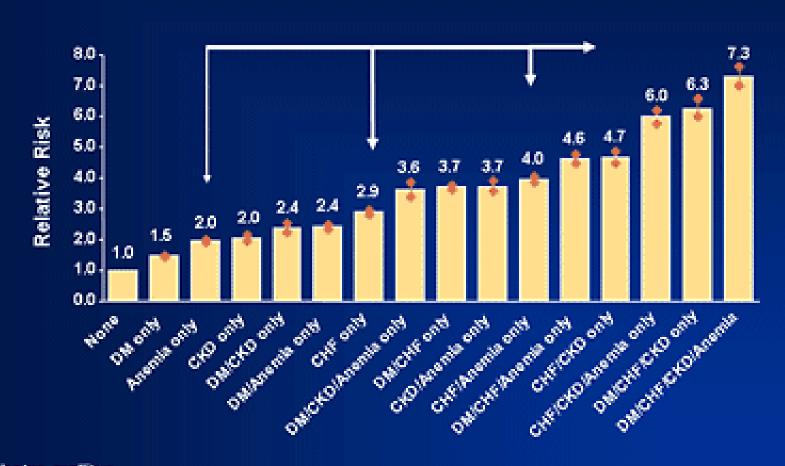


## Consequences of Anemia in CKD

- Cardiovascular
  - Left ventricular hypertrophy (LVH)
  - Precipitating factor for congestive heart failure (CHF)
  - Exacerbation of angina
- Reductions in
  - Aerobic capacity
  - Overall well-being
  - Cognition



# Anemia Is a Mortality Multiplier



DM = diabetes mellitus.

Medicare sample (5%) follow-up from 1996 to 1997 of enrollees aged ≥65 years, adjusted for age, sex, and race.

Collins AJ. Adv Stud Med. 2003;3(3C):S194-S197.



# Left Ventricular Hypertrophy in CKD

- LVH is an independent predictor of cardiac death
- Hypertension, anemia, and diabetes are modifiable predictors of LVH
  - BP increase of 5 mm Hg is associated with 3% increase in LVH risk
  - Hb decrease of 1.0 g/dL is associated with 6% increase in LVH risk

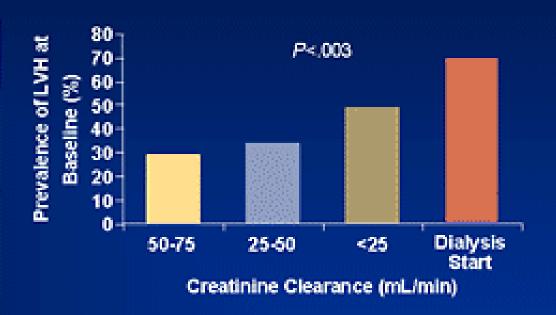


## Cardiovascular Care Is Suboptimal in Patients With CKD

#### Predictors of LVH

# Risk Factors TRIsk of LVH Decrease in Hb by 1.0 g/dL Increase in systolic BP by 5 mm Hg

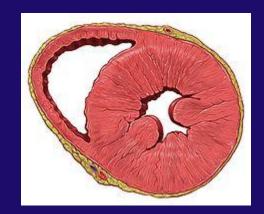
#### Prevalence of LVH in CKD



- LVH is an independent risk factor for death in patients with ESRD
- 11% of patients with CKD on BP medication have optimal levels







Anemia



Left ventricular hypertrophy





If a cure is not achieved, the kidneys will pass on the disease to the heart



Huang Ti Nei Ching Su Wen
The Yellow Emperor's Classic of Internal Medicine
~2000 B.C.

# Why is cardiovascular mortality so much increased?



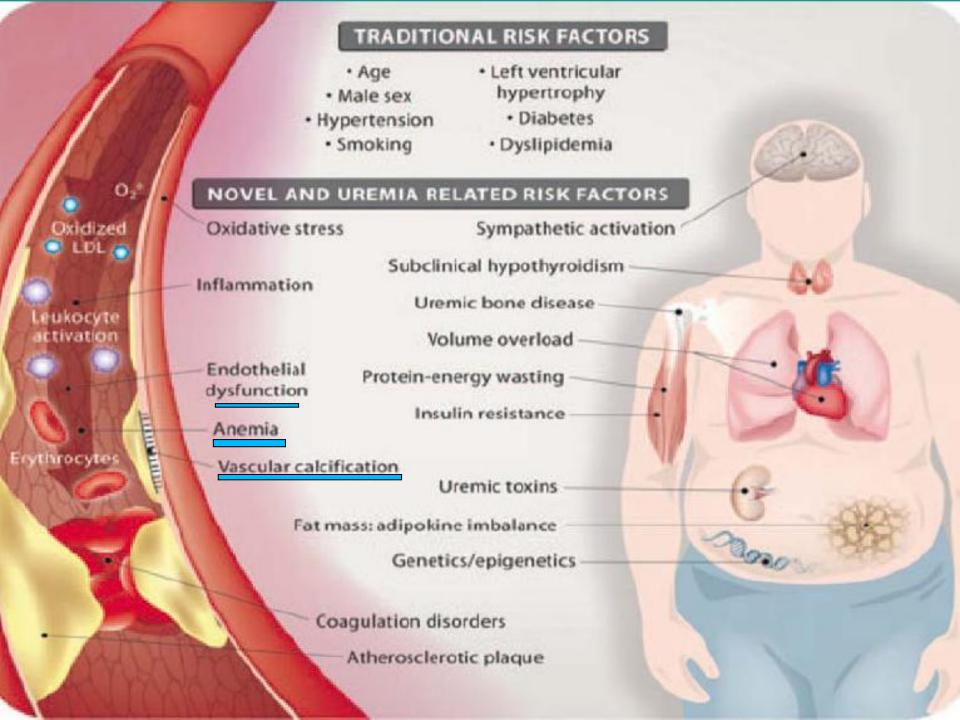
- CKD is common in people with CVD and with CVD risk factors
- CKD is associated with an increased risk of adverse outcomes in these conditions

TABLE 6. Traditional and Nontraditional Cardiovascular Risk Factors in CKD

Traditional Risk Factors	Nontraditional Factors
Older age	Albuminuria
Male sex	Homocysteine
Hypertension	Lipoprotein(a) and apolipoprotein(a) isoforms
Higher LDL cholesterol	Lipoprotein remnants
Lower HDL cholesterol	Anemia
Diabetes	Abnormal calcium/phosphate metabolism
Smoking	Extracellular fluid volume overload
Physical inactivity	Electrolyte imbalance
Menopause	Oxidative stress
Family history of CVD	inflammation (C-reactive protein)
LVH	Malnutrition
	Thrombogenic factors
	Sleep disturbances
	Altered nitric oxide/endothelin balance

- High prevalence of traditional risk factors in CKD
- As renal function deteriorates non-traditional risk factors play an increasing role in GFR loss and cardiovascular damage

And more ......



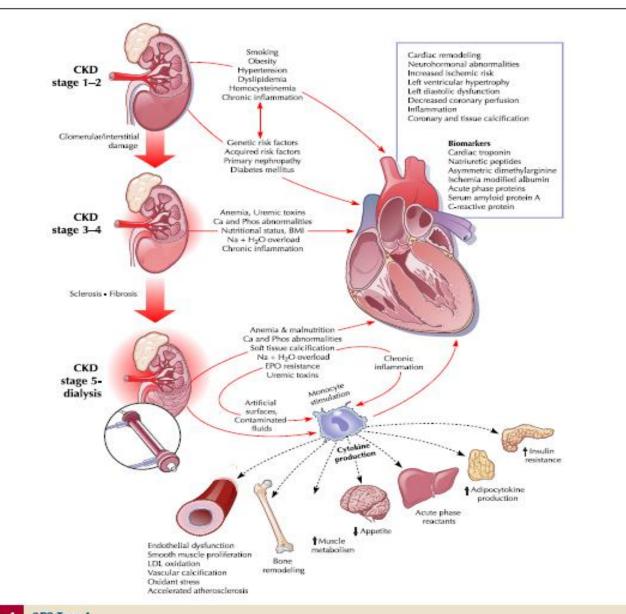
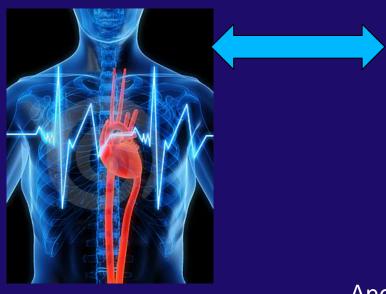


Figure 4 CRS Type 4

Pathophysiological interactions between heart and kidney in type 4 cardiorenal syndrome (CRS) or "chronic renocardiac syndrome" (chronic kidney disease [CKD], e.g., chronic glomerular disease, contributing to decreased cardiac function, cardiac hypertrophy, or increased risk of adverse cardiovascular events). BMI = body mass index; EPO = erythropoietin; LDL = low-density lipoprotein. Figure illustration by Rob Flewell.

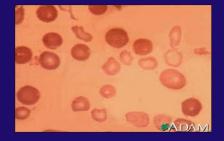
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Anemia



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#### STATE-OF-THE-ART PAPER

#### **Cardiorenal Syndrome**

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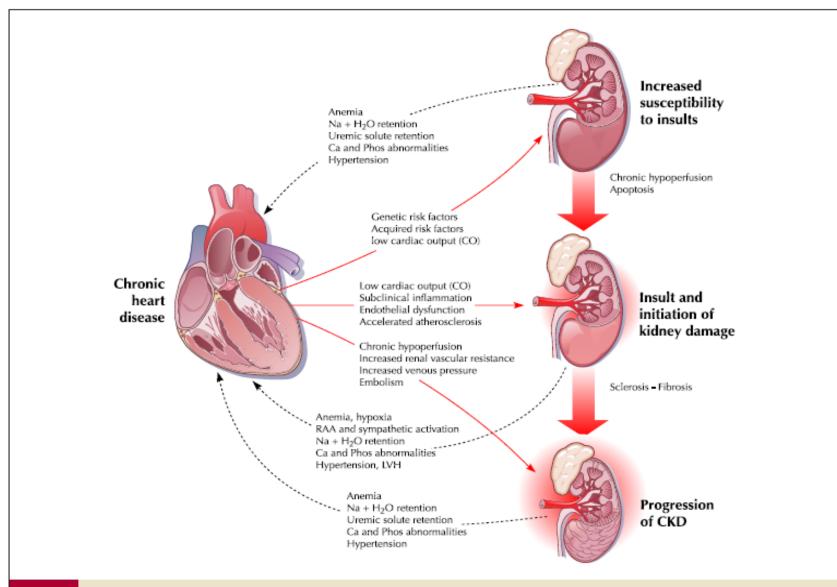


The prevalence of renal dysfunction in chronic HF has been reported to be approximately 25%

Chronic HF is likely to be characterized by a long-term situation of reduced renal perfusion, often predisposed by microvascular and macrovascular disease.

Renal insufficiency is highly prevalent among patients with HF and is an independent negative prognostic factor in both diastolic and systolic ventricular dysfunction and severe HF

Hillege HL, Nitsch D, Pfeffer MA, et al. Renal function as a predictor of outcome in a broad spectrum of patients with heart failure. Circulation 2006;113:671–8.



#### Figure 2 CRS Type 2

Pathophysiological interactions between heart and kidney in type 2 cardiorenal syndrome (CRS) or "chronic CRS" (chronic abnormalities in cardiac function, e.g., chronic heart failure) causing progressive chronic kidney disease (CKD). Figure illustration by Rob Flewell. LVH = left ventricular hypertrophy; RAA = renin angiotensin aldosterone.

### Conclusion

CVD remains prevalent among CKD patients and contribute to the majority death among chronic dialysis patients.

Interaction between heart and kidney during dysfunction of each or both organs has practical clinical implications and should be addressed in the management.



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