



# Guideline on CKD

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# What is CKD?

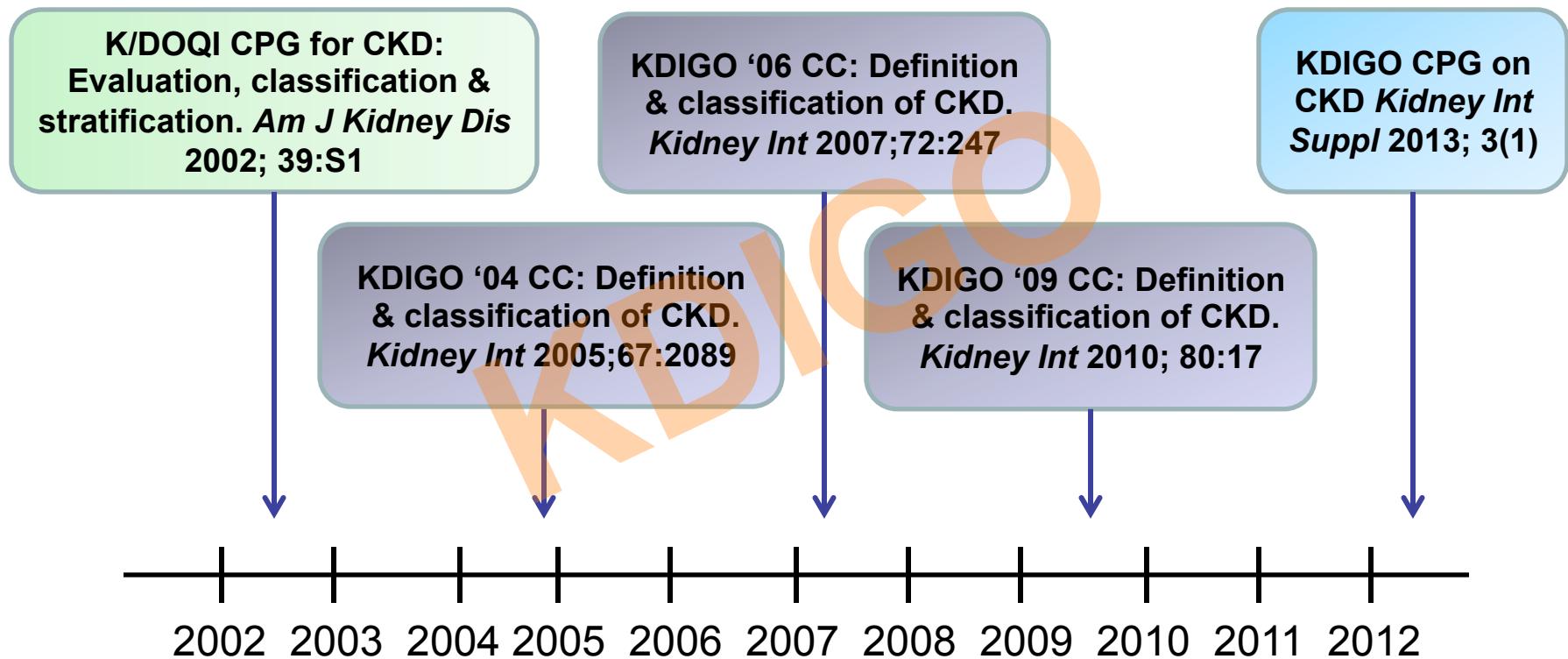
**“When bubbles settle on the surface of the urine, they indicate disease of the kidneys, and that the complaint will be protracted.”** -- Hippocrates 400 BCE



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# A decade of efforts to define CKD



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# KDOQI 2002 definition and staging

Definition: Kidney damage for  $\geq 3$  months, as defined by structural or functional abnormalities of the kidney, with or without decreased GFR or GFR  $< 60 \text{ mL/min}/1.73\text{m}^2$  for  $\geq 3$  months, with or without kidney damage.

Stage	Description	GFR (ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> )
1	Kidney damage with normal or $\uparrow$ GFR	$> 90$
2	Kidney damage with mild $\downarrow$ in GFR	60-89
3	Moderate $\downarrow$ in GFR	30-59
4	Severe $\downarrow$ in GFR	15-29
5	Kidney failure	$< 15$ (or dialysis)



Am J Kidney Dis 2002; 39:S1

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# KDIGO surveys and Controversy Conferences in 2004 and 2006

Two modifications to account for dialysis and transplantation.

Stage	Description	GFR (ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> )	Treatment
1	Kidney damage with normal or ↑ GFR	> 90	
2	Kidney damage with mild ↓ in GFR	60-89	
3	Moderate ↓ in GFR	30-59	{ T if kidney transplant
4	Severe ↓ in GFR	15-29	{ D if dialysis
5	Kidney failure	< 15 (or dialysis)	

*Kidney Int* 2005;67:2089  
*Kidney Int* 2007;72:247

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# The definition, classification, and prognosis of chronic kidney disease: a KDIGO Controversies Conference report

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On the basis of analyses in 45 cohorts that included 1,555,332 participants from general, high-risk, and CKD populations, the conference recommended retaining the current definition for CKD, and to modify the classification by emphasizing clinical diagnosis, adding albuminuria stage, and subdividing stage 3.



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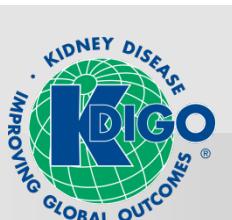


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# CKD guideline goal

... to clarify the definition and classification system of CKD, and to develop appropriate guidance as to the management and care of people with CKD ... foster an extended collaborative research agenda ....



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# What the guideline covers

- Target population: all adults and children identified with CKD who are not on renal replacement therapy.
- CKD: any (or unknown) cause.
- Target audience: nephrologists, primary care physicians, non-nephrology specialists, clinical chemists and other practitioners caring for adults and children with CKD.
- Target healthcare settings: primary, secondary and tertiary care.



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# What is *not* in the guideline

- Evaluation and management of people receiving renal replacement therapy
- Specific diagnostic approaches to people with AKI, GN or other specific diagnoses
- Treatment of each of the specific causes of CKD
- Management of pregnancy in women with CKD or of pregnant women who develop kidney disease
- Detailed management of complications of CKD



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## RATING QUALITY OF EVIDENCE AND STRENGTH OF RECOMMENDATIONS

# GRADE: an emerging consensus on rating quality of evidence and strength of recommendations

Guidelines are inconsistent in how they rate the quality of evidence and the strength of recommendations. This article explores the advantages of the GRADE system, which is increasingly being adopted by organisations worldwide

Quality of evidence	High	A	Strength of recom- mendation	1	"We recommend"
	Moderate	B		2	"We suggest"
	Low	C			
	Very low	D			

Grade 1A ... Grade 2D (8 options); plus "Not Graded"

Guyatt GH, et al. *BMJ* 2008; 336:924

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# Topics

## Section 1:

Definition & Classification

## Section 2:

Definition, Identification & Prediction of CKD Progression

## Section 3:

Management of CKD Progression & Complications

## Section 4:

Other Complications

## Section 5:

Referral to Specialists & Models of Care



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# **SECTION 1:**

# **Definition and Classification**

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# Audience Response Question 1:

Which of the following would *NOT* meet the KDIGO definition of CKD  $\geq 3$  months of:

1. GFR 65 & urine albumin 60 mg/24h
2. GFR 65 & urine RBCs with IgA on biopsy
3. GFR 65 after kidney transplant
4. GFR 65 after donating a kidney for transplant
5. GFR 45 at age 75 years



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# 1.1 Definition of CKD

1.1.1: CKD is defined as abnormalities of kidney structure or function, present for  $\geq 3$  months, with implications for health (Table 2). (Not Graded)

Table 2 | Criteria for CKD (either of the following present for  $\geq 3$  months)

<b>Markers of Kidney Damage</b>	Albuminuria $> 30$ mg/day Urine sediment abnormalities (e.g., hematuria, red cell casts etc) Electrolyte and other abnormalities due to tubular disorders Abnormalities detected by histology Structural abnormalities detected by imaging History of kidney transplantation
<b>Decreased GFR</b>	GFR $< 60$ mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>



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# Audience Response Question 2:

**Which of the following justifies including GFR <60 mL/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> in defining CKD:**

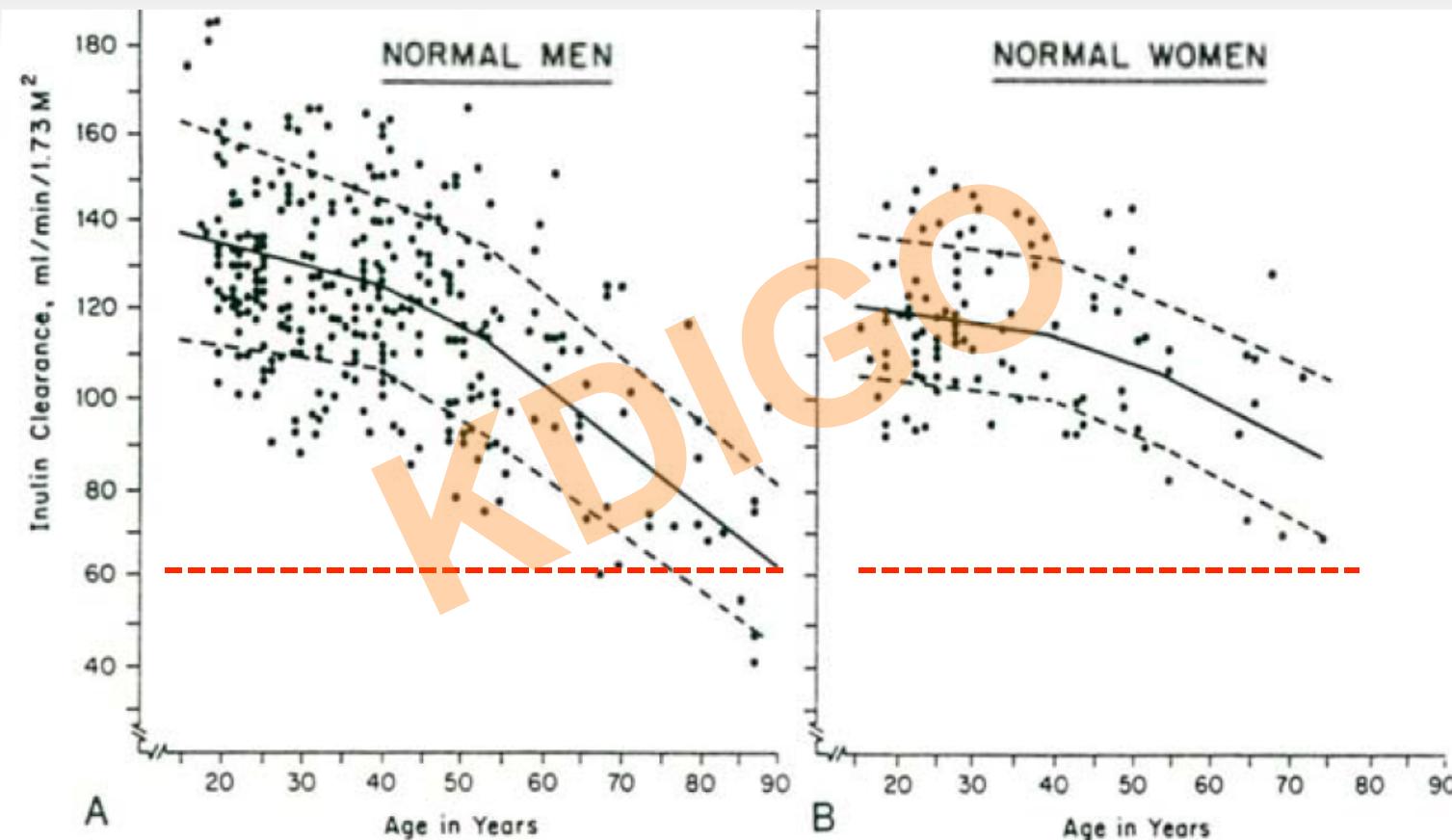
1. increased risk for CVD
2. increased risk of all-cause mortality
3. increased risk of drug dosing errors
4. increased risk of metabolic complications
5. all of the above



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# Rationale for defining CKD by GFR $<60 \text{ mL/min}/1.73\text{m}^2$

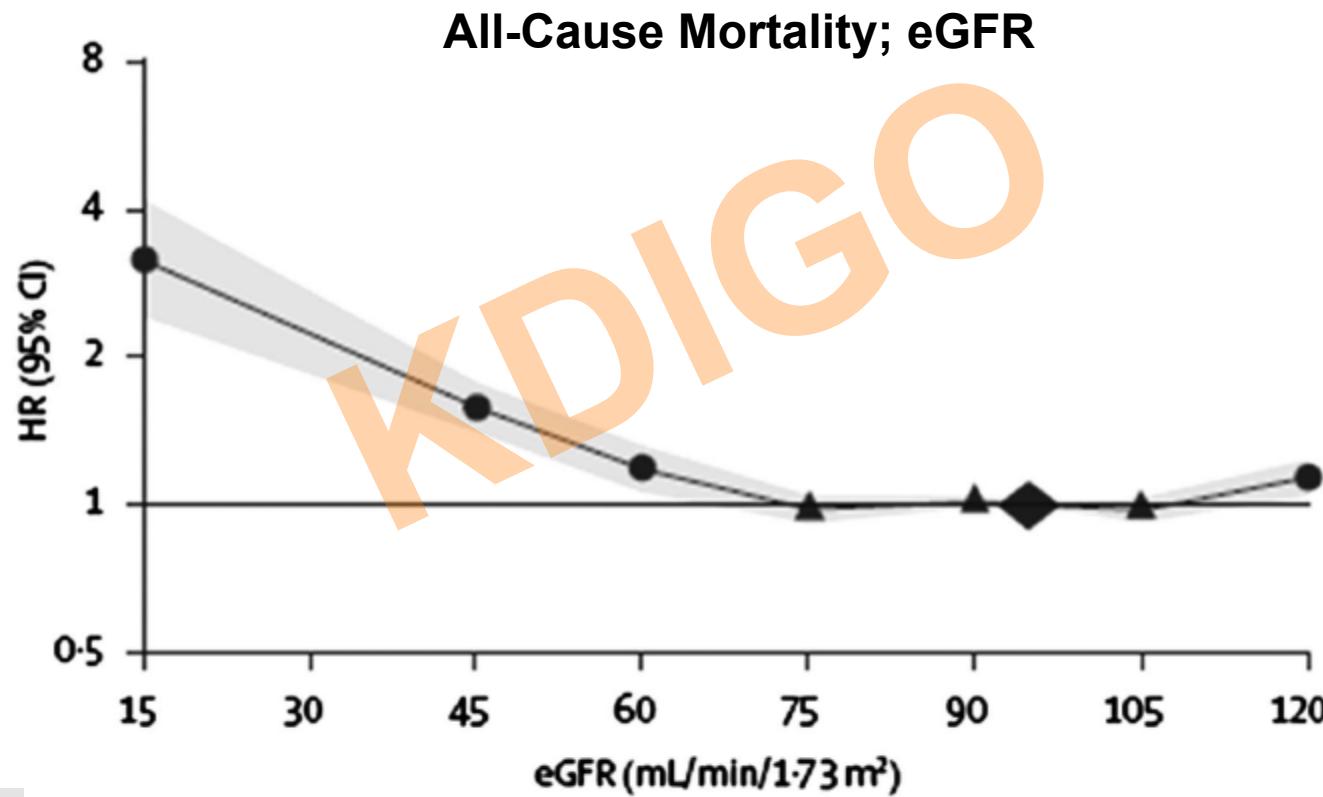


Wesson L. Physiology of the human kidney. New York: Grune & Stratton. 1969

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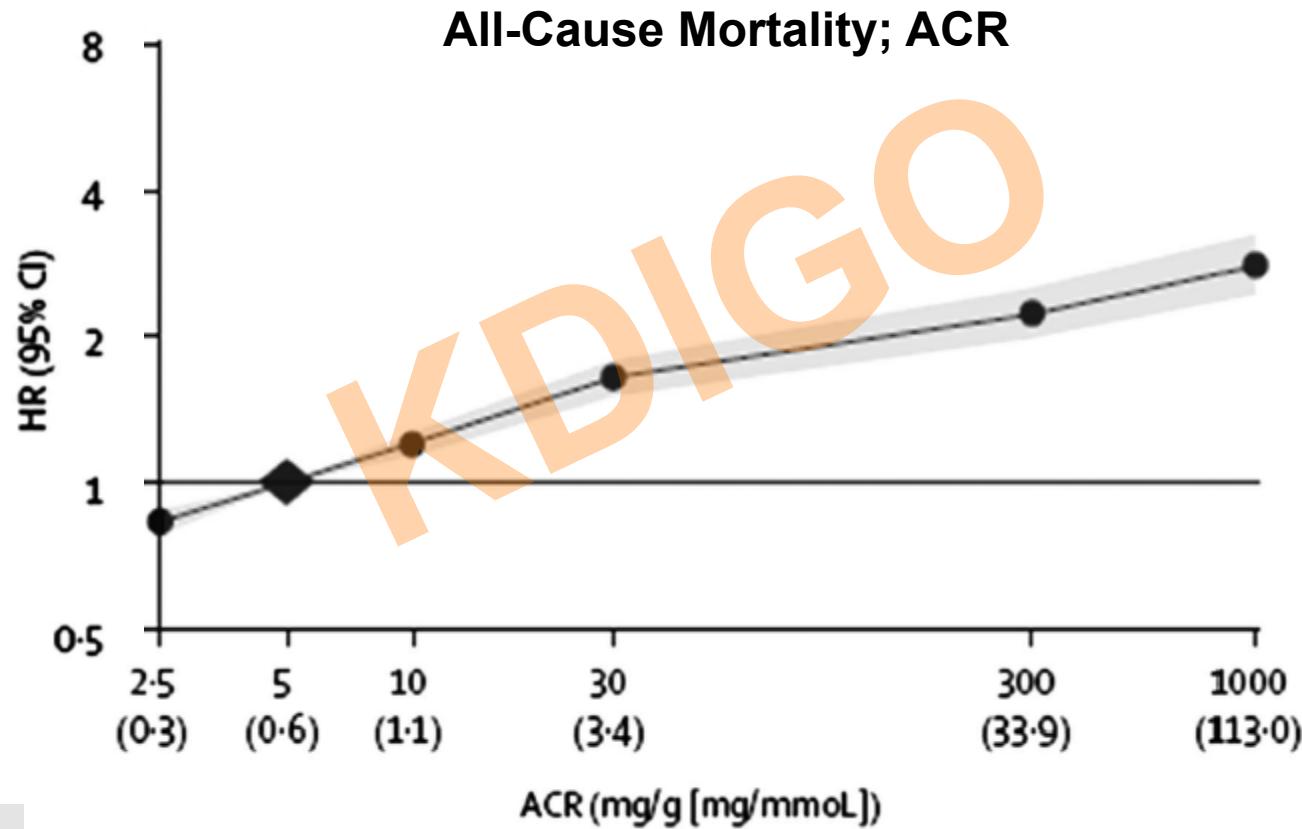
GFR  $<60 \text{ mL/min}/1.73\text{m}^2$  is associated with a higher risk of complications of CKD:

- Drug toxicity
- Metabolic and endocrine complications
- CVD and death



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# Rationale for defining CKD by ACR <30 mg/g



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# 1.2 Staging of CKD

- 1.2.1:** We recommend that CKD is classified based on cause, GFR category and albuminuria category (CGA). (1B)
- 1.2.2:** Assign cause of CKD based on presence or absence of systemic disease and the location within the kidney of observed or presumed pathologic-anatomic findings. (*Not graded*)



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# GFR categories

1.2.3: Assign GFR categories as follows [Table 5]  
*(Not Graded):*

**Table 5 | GFR categories in CKD**

GFR category	GFR (ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> )	Terms
G1	≥ 90	Normal or high
G2	60–89	Mildly decreased*
G3a	45–59	Mildly to moderately decreased
G3b	30–44	Moderately to severely decreased
G4	15–29	Severely decreased
G5	< 15	Kidney failure

Abbreviations: CKD, chronic kidney disease; GFR, glomerular filtration rate.

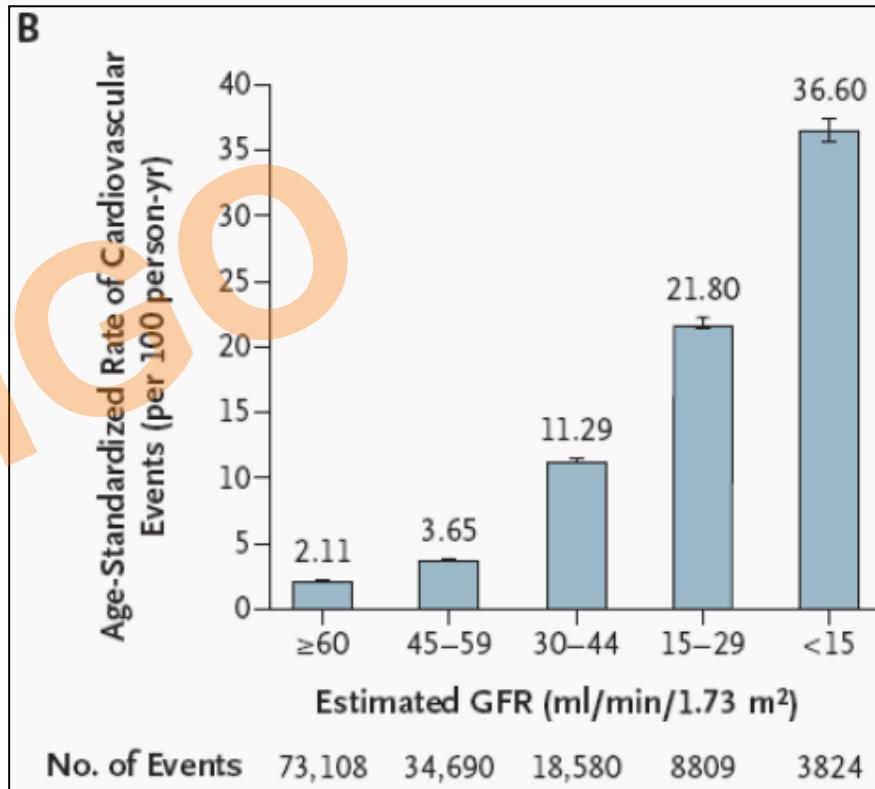
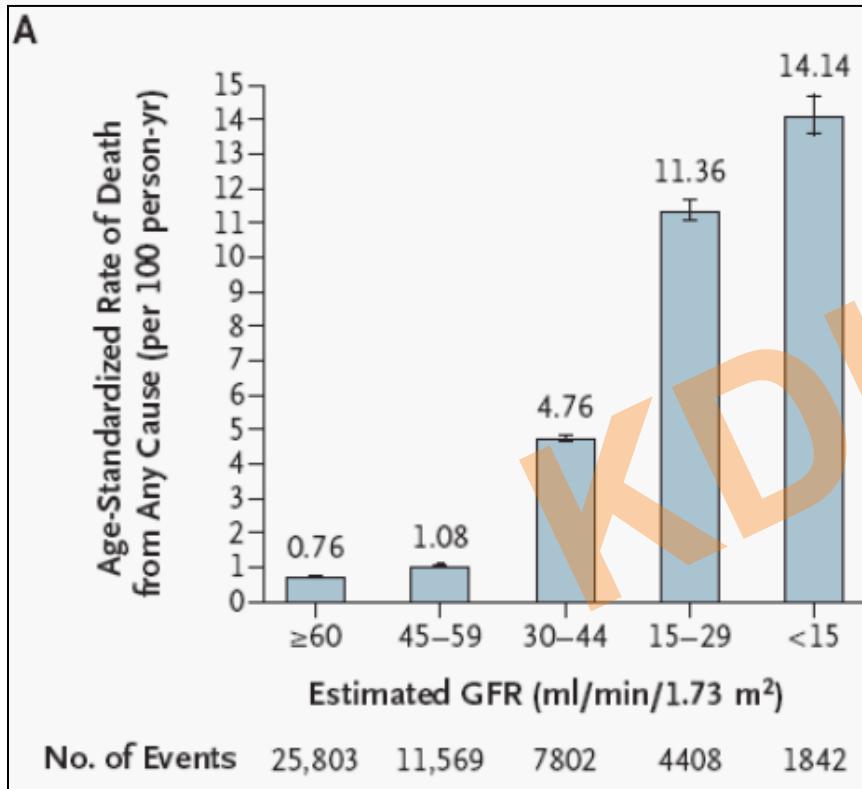
\*Relative to young adult level

In the absence of evidence of kidney damage, neither GFR category G1 nor G2 fulfill the criteria for CKD.



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# Rationale for GFR categories

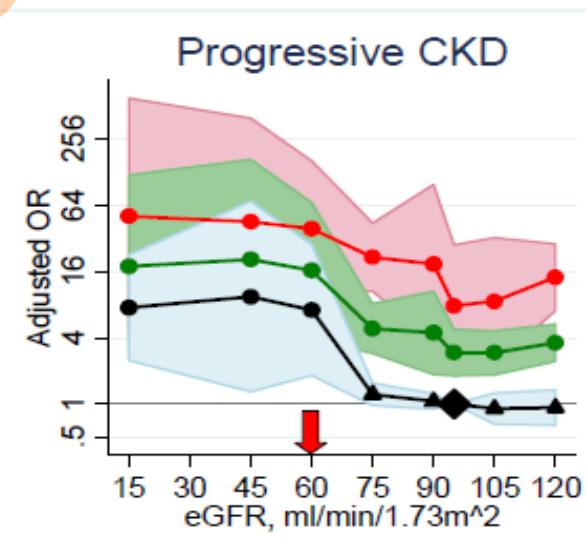
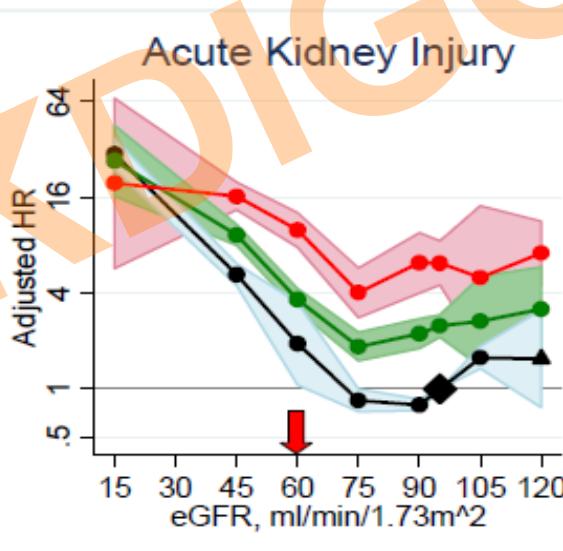
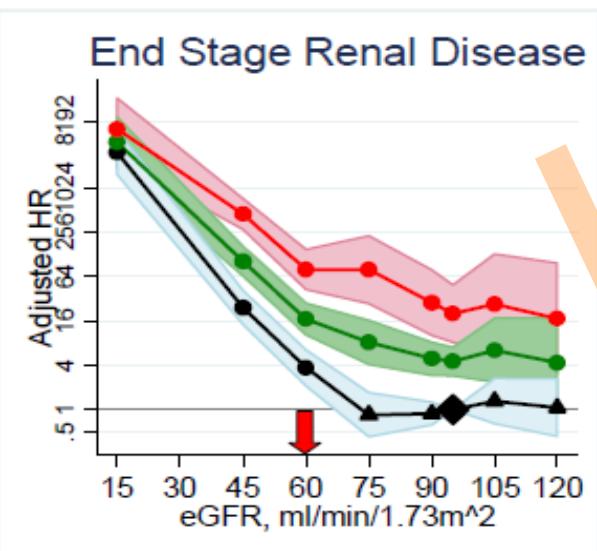
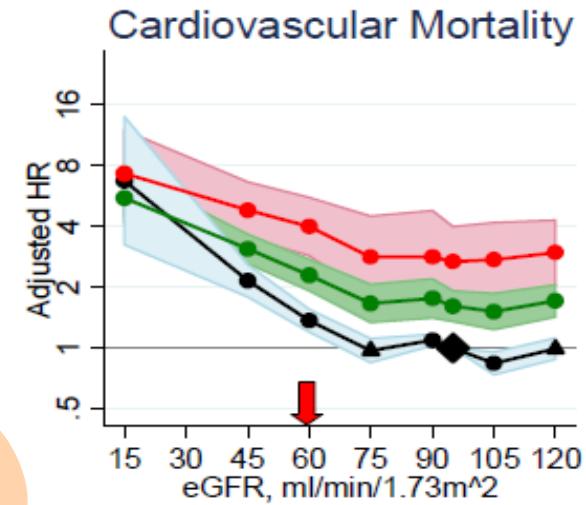
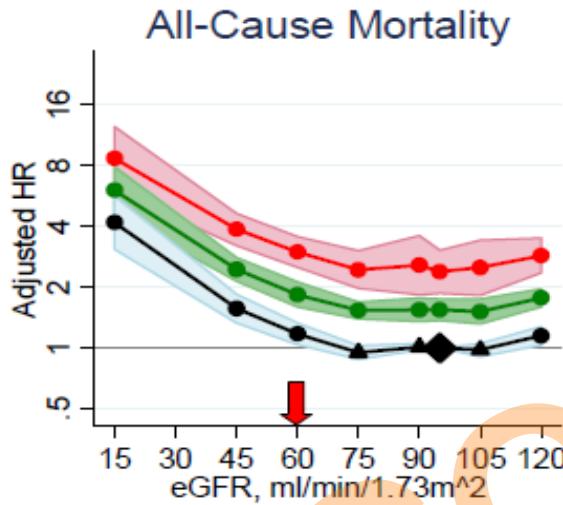


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# Summary of Relative Risks from Continuous Meta-Analysis



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# Summary of Relative Risks from Categorical Meta-Analysis

(dipstick included  
[-, ±, +, ≥++])

All-Cause Mortality

	ACR <10	ACR 10-29	ACR 30-299	ACR ≥300
eGFR > 105	1.1	1.5	2.2	5.0
eGFR 90-105	Ref	1.4	1.5	3.1
eGFR 75-90	1.0	1.3	1.7	2.3
eGFR 60-75	1.0	1.4	1.8	2.7
eGFR 45-60	1.3	1.7	2.2	3.6
eGFR 30-45	1.9	2.3	3.3	4.9
eGFR 15-30	5.3	3.6	4.7	6.6

Cardiovascular Mortality

	ACR <10	ACR 10-29	ACR 30-299	ACR ≥300
eGFR > 105	0.9	1.3	2.3	2.1
eGFR 90-105	Ref	1.5	1.7	3.7
eGFR 75-90	1.0	1.3	1.6	3.7
eGFR 60-75	1.1	1.4	2.0	4.1
eGFR 45-60	1.5	2.2	2.8	4.3
eGFR 30-45	2.2	2.7	3.4	5.2
eGFR 15-30	14	7.9	4.8	8.1

Kidney Failure (ESRD)

	ACR <10	ACR 10-29	ACR 30-299	ACR ≥300
eGFR > 105	Ref	Ref	7.8	18
eGFR 90-105	Ref	Ref	11	20
eGFR 75-90	Ref	Ref	3.8	48
eGFR 60-75	Ref	Ref	7.4	67
eGFR 45-60	5.2	22	40	147
eGFR 30-45	56	74	294	763
eGFR 15-30	433	1044	1056	2286

Acute Kidney Injury (AKI)

	ACR <10	ACR 10-29	ACR 30-299	ACR ≥300
eGFR > 105	Ref	Ref	2.7	8.4
eGFR 90-105	Ref	Ref	2.4	5.8
eGFR 75-90	Ref	Ref	2.5	4.1
eGFR 60-75	Ref	Ref	3.3	6.4
eGFR 45-60	2.2	4.9	6.4	5.9
eGFR 30-45	7.3	10	12	20
eGFR 15-30	17	17	21	29

Progressive CKD

	ACR <10	ACR 10-29	ACR 30-299	ACR ≥300
eGFR > 105	Ref	Ref	0.4	3.0
eGFR 90-105	Ref	Ref	0.9	3.3
eGFR 75-90	Ref	Ref	1.9	5.0
eGFR 60-75	Ref	Ref	3.2	8.1
eGFR 45-60	3.1	4.0	9.4	57
eGFR 30-45	3.0	19	15	22
eGFR 15-30	4.0	12	21	7.7

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# Albuminuria categories

1.2.4: Assign albuminuria\* categories as follows (*Not Graded*):

Category	AER (mg/d)	Approximately Equivalent ACR (mg/mmol)	(mg/g)	Terms
A1	<30	<3	<30	Normal to mildly increased
A2	30-299	3-29	30-299	Moderately increased*
A3	≥300	>30	≥300	Severely increased**

\*note that where albuminuria measurement is not available, urine reagent strip results can be substituted.



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Percentage of US Population by eGFR and Albuminuria Category:  
KDIGO 2012 and NHANES 1999-2006

Persistent Albuminuria Categories, Description and Range				All	
	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, Description and Range (mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> )	G1 normal or high >90	55.6	1.9	0.4	57.9
	G2 mildly decreased 60-89	32.9	2.2	0.3	35.4
	G3a mildly to moderately decreased 45-59	3.6	0.8	0.2	4.6
	G3b moderately to severely decreased 30-44	1.0	0.4	0.2	1.6
	G4 severely decreased 15-29	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.4
	G5 kidney failure <15	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
		93.2	5.4	1.3	100.0

# 1.3 Predicting prognosis of CKD

**1.3.1:** In predicting risk for outcome of CKD, identify the following variables:

- 1) cause of CKD;
- 2) GFR category;
- 3) albuminuria category;
- 4) other risk factors and comorbid conditions. (*Not Graded*)



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# Prognosis of CKD by GFR and Albuminuria Categories: KDIGO 2012

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, Description and Range (mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> )	G1	normal or high	>90
	G2	mildly decreased	60-89
	G3a	mildly to moderately decreased	45-59
	G3b	moderately to severely decreased	30-44
	G4	severely decreased	15-29
	G5	kidney failure	<15

# 1.4 Evaluation of CKD: chronicity

## 1.4.1: Evaluation of Chronicity

1.4.1.1: In people with GFR <60 mL/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> or markers of kidney damage, review past history and previous measurements to determine duration (*Not Graded*).

- If duration is >3 months, CKD is confirmed. Follow recommendations for CKD.
- If duration is not >3 months or unclear, CKD is not confirmed. Patients may have CKD or acute kidney diseases (including AKI) or both and tests should be repeated accordingly.



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# 1.4 Evaluation of CKD: cause

## 1.4.2: *Evaluation of Cause*

**1.4.2.1:** Evaluate the clinical context, including personal and family history, social and environmental factors, medications, physical examination, laboratory measures, imaging, and pathologic diagnosis to determine the causes of kidney disease.  
*(Not Graded)*



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# Audience Response Question 3:

**Which does KDIGO recommend for defining & classifying CKD:**

- 1. measure GFR with plasma or urine clearance of an inert tracer (inulin, iohexol, etc.) whenever possible**
- 2. use a cystatin C rather than a Cr formula for eGFR**
- 3. use the “CKD-EPI” formula for eGFR**
- 4. use the best available formula for estimating GFR with serum Cr**



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# 1.4 Evaluation of CKD: GFR

**1.4.3.1:** We recommend using serum creatinine and a GFR estimating equation for initial assessment. (1A)

**1.4.3.2:** We suggest using additional tests (such as cystatin C or a clearance measurement) for confirmatory testing in specific circumstances when eGFR based on serum creatinine is less accurate. (2B)

**1.4.3.3:** We recommend that clinicians (1B):

- use a GFR estimating equation to derive GFR from serum creatinine ( $eGFR_{creat}$ ) rather than relying on the serum creatinine concentration alone
- understand clinical settings in which  $eGFR_{creat}$  is less accurate.



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# Cystatin C

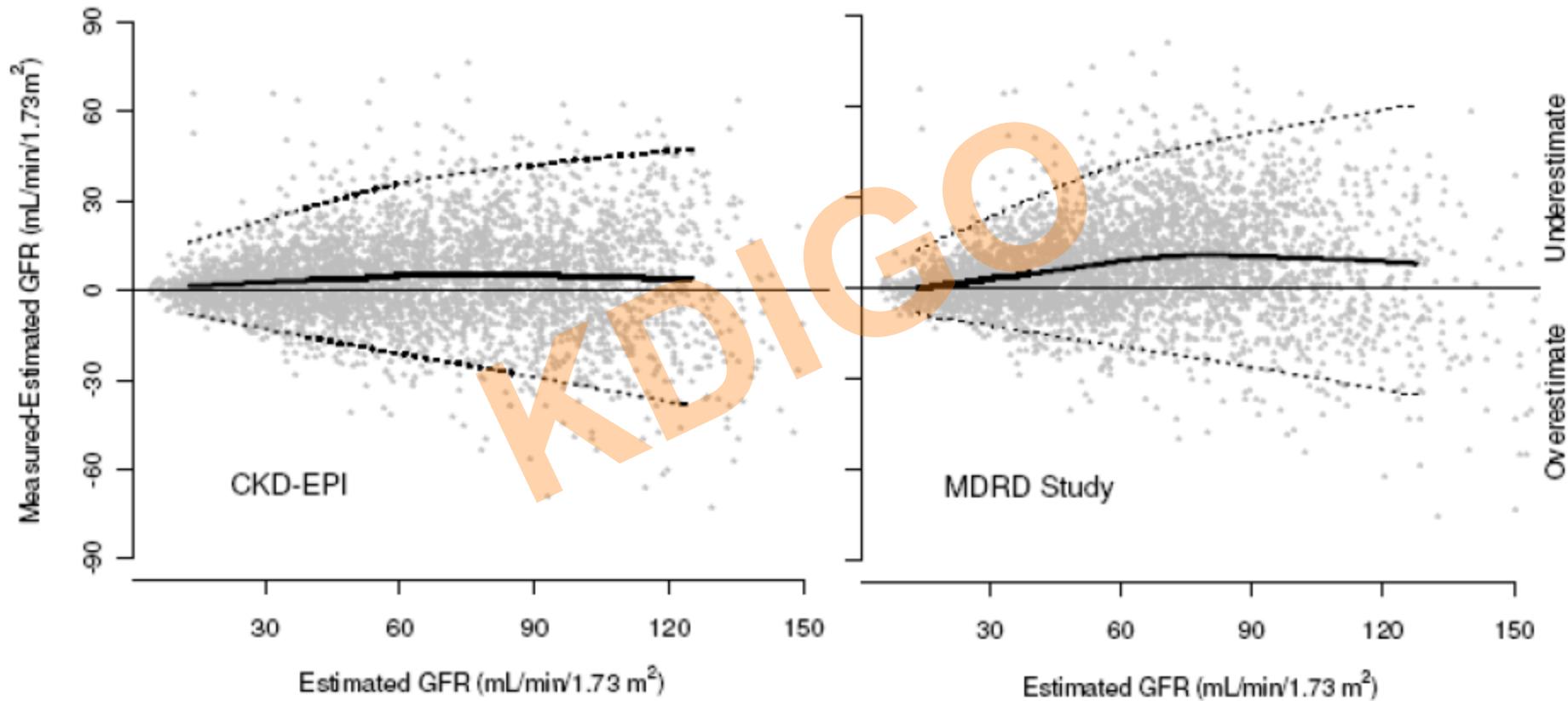
**1.4.3.5:** We suggest measuring cystatin C in adults with  $eGFR_{creat}$  45-59 who do not have other markers of kidney damage if confirmation of CKD is required. (2C)

- If  $eGFR_{cys} / eGFR_{creat-cys}$  is also  $<60 \text{ mL/min/1.73 m}^2$ , the diagnosis of CKD is confirmed
- If  $eGFR_{cys} / eGFR_{creat-cys}$  is  $>60 \text{ mL/min/1.73 m}^2$ , the diagnosis of CKD is not confirmed



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# Performance of the CKD-EPI and MDRD study equations



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# Measuring GFR

**1.4.3.8:** We suggest measuring GFR using exogenous filtration markers under circumstances where more accurate ascertainment of GFR will impact on treatment decisions (e.g. acceptance for kidney donation, dose adaptation of toxic drugs). (2B)



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# 1.4 Evaluation of CKD: albuminuria

**1.4.4.1:** We suggest using the following measurements for initial testing of proteinuria (in descending order of preference, in all cases an early morning urine sample is preferred) (2B):

- 1) urine albumin-to-creatinine ratio (ACR);
- 2) urine protein-to-creatinine ratio (PCR);
- 3) reagent strip urinalysis for total protein with automated reading;
- 4) reagent strip urinalysis for total protein with manual reading.



# 1.4 Evaluation of CKD: albuminuria

**1.4.4.2:** We recommend that clinical laboratories report ACR and PCR in untimed urine samples in addition to albumin concentration or proteinuria concentrations rather than the concentrations alone. (1B)

**1.4.4.2.1:** The term microalbuminuria should no longer be used by laboratories. (*Not Graded*)



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# **SECTION 2:**

## **Definition, Identification and Prediction of CKD Progression**



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# 2.1 Definition and identification of CKD progression

2.1.1: Assess GFR and albuminuria at least annually in people with CKD. Assess GFR and albuminuria more often for individuals at higher risk of progression, and/or where measurement will impact therapeutic decisions. (*Not Graded*)



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# Guide to frequency of monitoring (number of times per year) by GFR and albuminuria category

Persistent albuminuria categories Description and range		
A1	A2	A3
Normal to mildly increased  $<30 \text{ mg/g}$ $<3 \text{ mg/mmol}$	Moderately increased  $30\text{--}300 \text{ mg/g}$ $3\text{--}30 \text{ mg/mmol}$	Severely increased  $>300 \text{ mg/g}$ $>30 \text{ mg/mmol}$

GFR categories (ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> ) Description and range	$\geq 90$	1 if CKD	1	2
			1 if CKD	1
G1 Normal or high	60–89	1 if CKD	1	2
G2 Mildly decreased	45–59	1 if CKD	1	2
G3a Mildly to moderately decreased	30–44	1	2	3
G3b Moderately to severely decreased	15–29	2	3	3
G4 Severely decreased	<15	3	3	4+
G5 Kidney failure		4+	4+	4+

# CKD progression

2.1.3: Define CKD progression based on one of more of the following (*Not Graded*):

- Decline in GFR category ( $\geq 90$  [G1], 60-89 [G2], 45-59 [G3a], 30-44 [G3b], 15-29 [G4],  $< 15$  [G5] ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>). A certain drop in eGFR is defined as a drop in GFR category accompanied by a 25% or greater drop in eGFR from baseline.
- Rapid progression is defined as a sustained decline in eGFR of more than 5 mL/1.73m<sup>2</sup>/year.
- The confidence in assessing progression is increased with increasing number of serum creatinine measurements and duration of follow-up.



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# **SECTION 3:**

## **Management of Progression and Complications of CKD**



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# Audience Response Question 4:

Management of CKD should include all BUT:

1. targeting BP  $\leq 140/90$  mm Hg if no proteinuria
2. targeting BP  $\leq 130/80$  mm Hg if proteinuria
3. treating hyperuricemia
4. using a statin for increased CVD risk
5. targeting hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c)  $\sim 7.0\%$



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# Blood Pressure

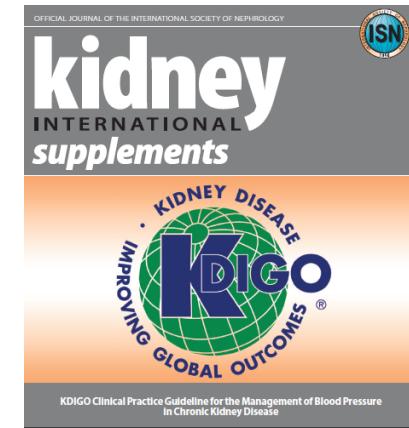
3.1.1: Individualize BP targets and agents according to age, coexistent cardiovascular disease and other comorbidities, risk of progression of CKD, presence or absence of retinopathy (in CKD patients with diabetes), and tolerance of treatment as described in the KDIGO 2012 Blood Pressure Guideline.  
*(Not Graded).*

See KDIGO Clinical Practice Guideline for  
the Management of Blood Pressure in  
Chronic Kidney Disease.

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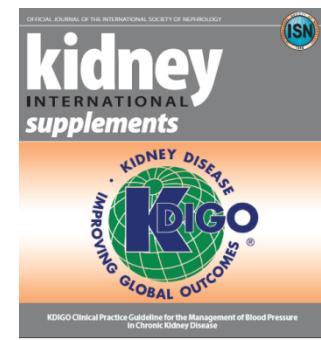
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- 3.1.4: We recommend that in both diabetic and nondiabetic adults with CKD and urine albumin excretion  $<30$  mg/24 hours (or equivalent\*) whose office BP is consistently  $>140$  mm Hg systolic or  $>90$  mm Hg diastolic be treated with BP-lowering drugs to maintain a BP that is consistently  $\leq 140$  mm Hg systolic and  $\leq 90$  mm Hg diastolic. (1B)



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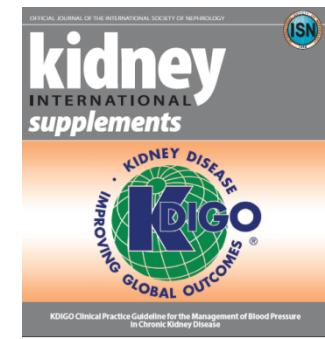
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3.1.5: We suggest that in both diabetic and non-diabetic adults with CKD and with urine albumin excretion of  $\geq 30$  mg/24 hours (or equivalent\*) whose office BP is consistently  $>130$  mm Hg systolic or  $>80$  mm Hg diastolic be treated with BP-lowering drugs to maintain a BP that is consistently  $\leq 130$  mm Hg systolic and  $\leq 80$  mm Hg diastolic. (2D)



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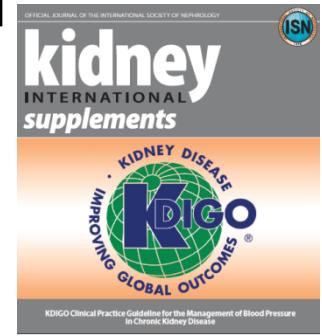
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- 3.1.6:** We suggest that an ARB or ACE-I be used in diabetic adults with CKD and urine albumin excretion 30-300 mg/24 hours (or equivalent\*). (2D)
- 3.1.7:** We recommend that an ARB or ACE-I be used in both diabetic and non-diabetic adults with CKD and urine albumin excretion >300 mg/24 hours (or equivalent\*). (1B)
- 3.1.8:** There is insufficient evidence to recommend combining an ACE-I with ARBs to prevent progression of CKD. (*Not Graded*)



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# CDK Risk of AKI

**3.1.12:** We recommend that all people with CKD are considered to be at increased risk of AKI. (1A)

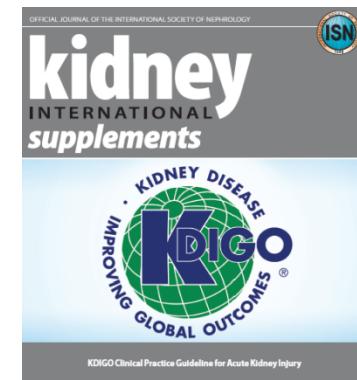
**3.1.12.1:** In people with CKD the recommendations detailed in the KDIGO AKI Guideline should be followed for management of those at risk of AKI during inter-current illness, or when undergoing investigation and procedures that are likely to increase the risk of AKI. (Not Graded)

See KDIGO Clinical Practice Guideline for  
Acute Kidney Injury.

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# Protein Intake

**3.1.13:** We suggest lowering protein intake to 0.8 g/kg/day in adults with diabetes (2C) or without diabetes (2B) and GFR <30 ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> (GFR categories G4-G5), with appropriate education.

**3.1.14:** We suggest avoiding high protein intake (>1.3 g/kg/day) in adults with CKD at risk of progression. (2C)



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# Glycemic Control

- 3.1.15:** We recommend a target hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) of ~7.0% (53 mmol/mol) to prevent or delay progression of the microvascular complications of diabetes, including diabetic kidney disease. (1A)
- 3.1.16:** We recommend not treating to an HbA1c target of <7.0% (<53 mmol/mol) in patients at risk of hypoglycemia. (1B)
- 3.1.17:** We suggest that target HbA1c be extended above 7.0% (53 mmol/mol) in individuals with comorbidities or limited life expectancy and risk of hypoglycemia. (2C)



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# Salt Intake

**3.1.12:** We recommend lowering salt intake to <90 mmol (<2 g) per day of sodium (corresponding to 5 g of sodium chloride) in adults, unless contraindicated.  
**(1C)**



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# Hyperuricemia

**3.1.13:** There is insufficient evidence to support or refute the use of agents to lower serum uric acid concentrations in people with CKD and either symptomatic or asymptomatic hyperuricemia in order to delay progression of CKD. (Not Graded)



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# Lifestyle

**3.1.14:** We recommend that people with CKD be encouraged to take exercise (aiming for at least 30 minutes 5 times per week), achieve a healthy weight (BMI 20-25, according to country specific demographics), and stop smoking. (1D)



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# Anemia

**3.2.3:** To identify anemia in people with CKD measure Hb concentration (*Not Graded*):

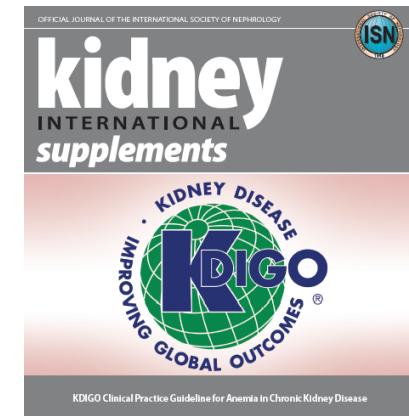
- when clinically indicated in people with GFR  $\geq 60$  ml/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> (GFR categories G1-G2);
  - at least annually in people with GFR 30-59 ml/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> (GFR categories G3a-G3b);
    - at least twice per year in people with GFR <30 ml/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> (GFR categories G4-G5).

See KDIGO Clinical Practice Guideline for Anemia in CKD.

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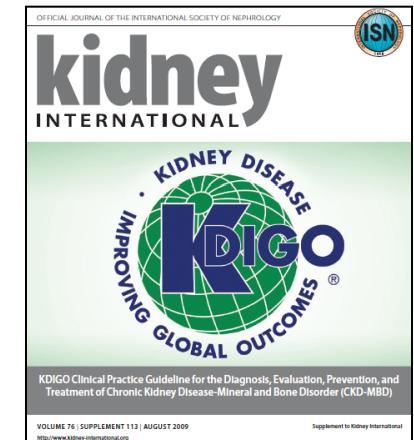
# Chronic Kidney Disease-Mineral and Bone Disorder (CKD-MBD)

3.3.1: We recommend measuring serum levels of calcium, phosphate, PTH, and alkaline phosphatase activity at least once in adults with GFR <45 ml/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> (GFR categories G3b-G5) in order to determine baseline values and inform prediction equations if used. (1C)

See KDIGO Clinical Practice Guideline for the Diagnosis, Evaluation, Prevention, and Treatment of CKD-MBD 2009.  
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# Acidosis

3.4.1: We suggest that in people with CKD and serum bicarbonate concentrations <22 mmol/l treatment with oral bicarbonate supplementation be given to maintain serum bicarbonate within the normal range, unless contraindicated. (2B)



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# **SECTION 4:**

## **Other Complications of CKD**

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# Other Complications of CKD

- Cardiac and vascular disease (CVD)
- Medication dosage
- Patient safety
- Infections
- Hospitalizations
- Caveats for investigating complications



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# **SECTION 5:**

## **Referral to Specialists and Models of Care**

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# When to refer to a specialist.

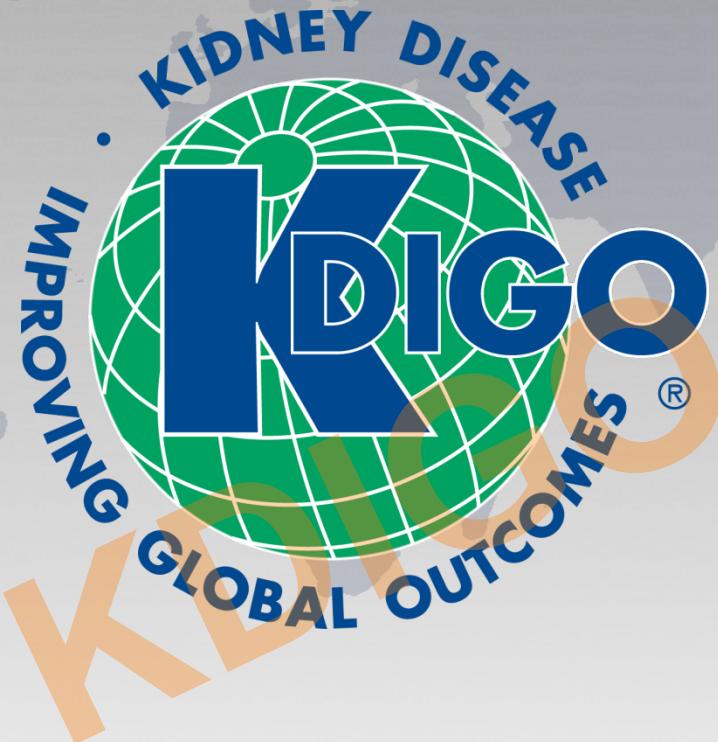
GFR Categories (mL/min/ 1.73m <sup>2</sup> )	Albuminuria Categories(mg/g)					
	A1	A2	A3			
	normal to increased	moderately increased	severely increased			
	10-29 mg/g (<3 mg/mmol)	30-299 mg/g (3-29 mg/mmol)	>300 mg/g (>30 mg/mmol)			
G1	high and optimal	≥90		monitor	refer*	
G2	Mild reduction	60-89		monitor	refer*	
G3a	mild-moderate reduction	45-59	monitor	monitor	refer	
G3b	moderate-severe reduction	30-44	monitor	monitor	refer	
G4	Severe reduction	15-29	refer*	refer*	refer	
G5	kidney failure	<15	refer	refer	refer	

# Summary: Key Changes

- Diagnosis and classification:
  - Re-emphasise need for a diagnosis
  - Add albuminuria categories
  - Subdivide GFR category 3
- Define progression & preventive measures
- Interpretation of tests & use of medications
- Models of care



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# Thank you!