

Cause of Frailty Item	Description	References
Positive Narration		
Model: CKD → lower energy intake → sarcopenia → physical frailty Lower energy intake: 1/3 of patients with ESRD present anorexia; uremic milieu and inflammation → loss of appetite; Sarcopenia: physical inactivity → reduced lean body mass → sarcopenia; metabolic acidosis → sarcopenia		Nixon, A. C., Bampouras, T. M., Pendleton, N., Woywodt, A., Mitra, S., & Dhaygude, A. (2017). Frailty and chronic kidney disease: current evidence and continuing uncertainties. <i>Clinical kidney journal</i> , 11(2), 236-245.
Sarcopenia	Influences each other.	Johansen, K. L., Delgado, C., Bao, Y., & Tamura, M. K. (2013, November). Frailty and dialysis initiation. In <i>Seminars in dialysis</i> (Vol. 26, No. 6, pp. 690-696).
Acidosis (inducing 1.sarcopenia [caspase-3 and the ubiquitin proteasome system, inhibits intracellular signalling of insulin and IGF-1 and increases adrenal glucocorticoid production] and 2. pain + itch [ASIC3 and TDAG8])	(We further adjusted for comorbid conditions that we had hypothesized to be related to frailty (diabetes, arthritis, cancer, chronic liver disease, and chronic lung disease) but not caused by chronic kidney disease.) (In subsequent analyses, we also adjusted for factors that often complicate chronic kidney disease to potentially explain any association identified between chronic kidney disease and frailty. These factors included sarcopenia (estimated using bioelectrical impedance analysis parameters), anemia (hemoglobin concentration), acidosis (serum bicarbonate concentration), inflammation (C-reactive protein concentration), vitamin D deficiency, and overt cardiovascular disease, as described above.) Acidosis is the key contributor of sarcopenia and frailty.	Wilhelm-Leen, E. R., Hall, Y. N., Tamura, M. K., & Chertow, G. M. (2009). Frailty and chronic kidney disease: the third national health and nutrition evaluation survey. <i>The American journal of medicine</i> , 122(7), 664-671.
Dialysis clearance rate <i>p.s. dialysis clearance rate = $Kt/V + \text{urea reduction ratio}$</i>	Dialysis clearance rates measured the same time as frailty: moderately to severely frail patients have higher dialysis clearance rates.	Nixon, A. C., Bampouras, T. M., Pendleton, N., Woywodt, A., Mitra, S., & Dhaygude, A. (2017). Frailty and chronic kidney disease: current evidence and continuing uncertainties. <i>Clinical kidney journal</i> , 11(2), 236-245. (1)Chao, C.-T., Lai, H.-J., Tsai, H.-B., Yang, S.-Y., & Huang, J.-W. (2017). Frail phenotype is associated with distinct quantitative electroencephalographic findings among end-stage renal disease patients: an observational study. <i>BMC Geriatrics</i> , 17(1), 277.
Diabetes mellitus, hypertension (HTN), cerebrovascular accident (CVA), left ventricular dysfunction (LVD), peripheral vascular disease (PVD), smoking, hepatitis C, inadequate dialysis, intradialytic hypotension (IDH), interdialytic weight gain, low serum creatinine <4 mg/dL, and anemia (Hb <10 g/dL)	On univariate analysis, statistically significantly different between frail and nonfrail groups.	Yadla, M., John, J. P., & Mummadi, M. (2017). A study of clinical assessment of frailty in patients on maintenance hemodialysis supported by cashless government scheme. <i>Saudi Journal of Kidney Diseases and Transplantation</i> , 28(1), 15.
HTN, PVD, CVA, anemia, smoking, and IDH	On multivariate analysis, statistically significantly different between frail and nonfrail groups	Yadla, M., John, J. P., & Mummadi, M. (2017). A study of clinical assessment of frailty in patients on maintenance hemodialysis supported by cashless government scheme. <i>Saudi Journal of Kidney Diseases and Transplantation</i> , 28(1), 15.
HTN, CVA, LVD, PVD, smoking, IDH, Kt/V (dialysis adequacy), serum creatinine, and hemoglobin	RR=1.1-1.5 between frail and nonfrail groups	Yadla, M., John, J. P., & Mummadi, M. (2017). A study of clinical assessment of frailty in patients on maintenance hemodialysis supported by cashless government scheme. <i>Saudi Journal of Kidney Diseases and Transplantation</i> , 28(1), 15.
Uraemia	Uremia (malnutrition, anemia, metabolic acidosis, fluid overload) → Frailty (weight loss, exhaustion, weakness, low physical activity)	Johansen, K. L., Delgado, C., Bao, Y., & Tamura, M. K. (2013). Frailty and dialysis initiation. In <i>Seminars in dialysis</i> (Vol. 26, pp. 690-696). Wiley Online Library.
Testosterone	<u>OR, per 50% lower free testosterone (95% CI):</u> Being frail: 1.40 (1.12–1.69); Becoming frail over 12 months: 1.40 (1.07–1.73)	Chiang, J. M., Kaysen, G. A., Segal, M., Chertow, G. M., Delgado, C., & Johansen, K. L. (2018). Low testosterone is associated with frailty, muscle wasting and physical dysfunction among men receiving hemodialysis: a longitudinal analysis. <i>Nephrology Dialysis Transplantation</i> .
Inflammatory state	The inflammatory state is also associated with an increase in resting energy expenditure that may contribute to the imbalance of muscle protein homeostasis and, in turn, the frailty syndrome [18, 19].	Nixon, A. C., Bampouras, T. M., Pendleton, N., Woywodt, A., Mitra, S., & Dhaygude, A. (2017). Frailty and chronic kidney disease: current evidence and continuing uncertainties. <i>Clinical kidney journal</i> , 11(2), 236-245.
Viral infection - HCV	Frailty vs. Nonfrail in patients with serological infections due to hepatitis C (number of patients) 36 vs. 1 (P = 0.004)	Yadla, M., John, J. P., & Mummadi, M. (2017). A study of clinical assessment of frailty in patients on maintenance hemodialysis supported by cashless government scheme. <i>Saudi Journal of Kidney Diseases and Transplantation</i> , 28(1), 15.
Negative narration		
The relationship between frailty and chronic kidney disease cannot be fully explained by the increased prevalence of sarcopenia, anemia, acidosis, inflammation, and overt cardiovascular disease among persons with chronic kidney disease		Wilhelm-Leen, E. R., Hall, Y. N., Tamura, M. K., & Chertow, G. M. (2009). Frailty and chronic kidney disease: the third national health and nutrition evaluation survey. <i>The American journal of medicine</i> , 122(7), 664-671.

Adverse Psychological Effects of Frailty Among CKD Patients		References		Sample Group
Related adverse health effects	Method	Conditions		
		Data	p-value	
Mood	The Edmonton Frail Scale	Orlandi & Gesualdo, 2014 The Edmonton Frail Scale itself evaluates nine domains, with mood being one of		N/A
Good interaction with family	Interview	Moffatt, Moorhouse, Mallery, Landry, & Tennankore, 2018 Interview only		
Cognitive impairments	Review	Kittiskulnam, P. et al. (2016). Consequences of CKD on Functioning. Seminars in Nephrology, 36(4), 305–318. There's no adverse health effects of frailty other than mortality and morbidities		
Grouping: Nonfrail, intermediate frail, and frail. Fried frailty phenotype.		McAdams-Demarco, M. A., Tan, J., Salter, M. L., Gross, A., Meoni, L. A., Jaar, B. G., ... Sozio, S. M. (2015). Frailty and cognitive function in incident hemodialysis patients. Clinical Journal of the American Society of Nephrology, 10(12), 2181–2189.		
Cognitive function: Global cognitive function: Modified Mini-Mental State (3MS); Speed/Attention: Trail Making Tests A and B (TMTA and TMTB)*.		Nonfrail vs. Intermediate Frail vs. Frail		
Cognitive impairment was defined as a score <80 for the 3MS, a time 1.5 SD above the mean (from this cohort) for the TMTA/TMTB.		At cohort entry: 3MS (points): Reference vs. -1.29 (-3.05 to 0.48) vs. -2.37 (-4.21 to -0.53); TMTA (seconds): Reference vs. 6.12 (-0.94 to 13.18) vs. 12.08 (4.73 to 19.43); TMTB (seconds): Reference vs. 19.87 (-2.34 to 42.08) vs. 33.15 (9.88 to 56.42)	At cohort entry: 3MS: 0.01; TMTA: <0.001; TMTB: 0.01	
*The TMTA and TMTB are time tests that measure executive function. Both of these tests assess scanning, speed of processing, attention and concentration, and psychomotor speed, and the TMTB further assesses cognitive shifting and complex sequencing function. The tests measure the time required to connect a series of sequentially numbered (TMTA) and numbered/lettered (TMTB) circles.		At 1-year follow-up: 3MS (points): Reference vs. -1.74 (-4.16 to 0.69) vs. -2.80 (-5.37 to -0.24)	At 1-year follow-up: 3MS: 0.03	
Functional independence		Fabrício-Wehbe, Suzele Cristina Coelho, Schiaveto, Fábio Veiga, Vendrusculo, Thaís Ramos Pereira, Haas, Vanderlei José, Dantas, Rosana Aparecida Spadoti, & Rodrigues, Rosalina Aparecida Partezani. (2009). Adaptação cultural e validade da Edmonton Frail Scale - EFS em uma amostra de idosos brasileiros. Revista Latino-Americana de Enfermagem, 17(6), 1043-1049.		A subsample of 137 elderly people was selected from 515 elderly using simple random sampling (SRS).
Frailty grouping: Edmonton Frail Scale (EFS).		Spearman's correlation coefficient of frailty diagnosis with global, motor, and cognitive FIM		
Functional independence: Functional Independence Measure (FIM).		Spearman's correlation coefficient: -0.703 (moderate), -0.714 (moderate), -0.575 (weak)	All correlations: <0.01	
Cognitive assessment: Mini-Mental State Examination (MMSE).		Spearman's correlation coefficient of frailty scores (EFS) with gross functional dependence (FIM) and the gross MMSE score		
		Spearman's correlation coefficient: -0.53 and -0.607 (weak)	<0.01	
		Spearman's correlation coefficient between functional independence on the EFS and FIM scores		
		Spearman's correlation coefficient: -0.5 <0.01		
Depression	descriptive cross-sectional study	Si, A. P., Senior, P. A., Field, C. J., Jindal, K., & Mager, D. R. (2018). Frailty, Health Related Quality of Life, Cognition, Depression, Vitamin D and Health Care Utilization in an Ambulatory Adult Population with Type 1 and Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus and Chronic Kidney Disease: a cross sectional analysis. Canadian Journal of Diabetes.		41 ambulatory adults (41 through 83 years of age) with type 1 (n=3) or type 2 (n=38) diabetes mellitus and CKD (stages 1 through V). Exclusion criteria: Thoses who were on dialysis (estimated glomerular filtration rate <10 mL/min/1.73 m^2) and had body weights >136 kg, and coinciding comorbidities known to influence vitD metabolism were excluded.
		Frail vs. Nonfrail		
Depression: the validated, self-reported Major Depression Inventory (scores ≥20 are considered abnormal)		Depression: 0.0002		
HRQOL	Narrative	Soni, R. K., Weisbord, S. D., & Unruh, M. L. (2010). Health-related quality of life outcomes in chronic kidney disease. Current opinion in nephrology and hypertension, 19(2), 153.		41 ambulatory adults (41 through 83 years of age) with type 1 (n=3) or type 2 (n=38) diabetes mellitus and CKD (stages 1 through V). Exclusion criteria: Thoses who were on dialysis (estimated glomerular filtration rate <10 mL/min/1.73 m^2) and had body weights >136 kg, and coinciding comorbidities known to influence vitD metabolism were excluded.
		Narrative only		
		Kanauchi, M., Kubo, A., Kanauchi, K., & Saito, Y. (2008). Frailty, health-related quality of life and mental well-being in older adults with cardiometabolic risk factors. International journal of clinical practice, 62(9), 1447-1451.		
		Nonfrail vs. Frail		
		≤ 0.001		
descriptive cross-sectional study		Si, A. P., Senior, P. A., Field, C. J., Jindal, K., & Mager, D. R. (2018). Frailty, Health Related Quality of Life, Cognition, Depression, Vitamin D and Health Care Utilization in an Ambulatory Adult Population with Type 1 and Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus and Chronic Kidney Disease: a cross sectional analysis. Canadian Journal of Diabetes.		
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HRQoL: the validated self-reported SF-36		SF-36 scores (adjusted for differences in CKD stage): physical functioning: 0.004 blood pressure: 0.001 role physical: 0.003 physical component summary: 0.002		
PREPROCESSING Frailty: Fried phenotypes Grouping: nonfrail and frail (intermediate frail and frail combined) HRQOL: KDQOL-SF (generic core [Short Form-36 (SF-36)] and 11 multi-item kidney disease-specific scales), scores linearly converted to 0 to 100 scales. ANALYSIS METHOD Relationship between frailty and physical, mental, and kidney disease-specific HRQOL at KT: Multivariable linear regression Within-individual changes in HRQOL scores among frail and nonfrail recipients: paired t test HRQOL between frail and nonfrail: Student t		McAdams-DeMarco, M. A., Olorundare, I. O., Ying, H., Warsame, F., Haugen, C. E., Frail vs. Nonfrail (At Kidney Transplant) Worse physical HRQOL: <0.001 Worse kidney disease-specific HRQOL: 0.001 Similar mental HRQOL: 0.43 Frail vs. Nonfrail (Post-Kidney Transplant) Greater rates of improvement in: (1) physical HRQOL: 0.02 (2) kidney disease-specific HRQOL: 0.01 No difference in mental HRQOL: 0.85		
HRQOL: includes PCS (Physical Component Summary, calculated based on physical functioning, role limitations due to physical problems, body pain, and general health perception) and MCS (Mental Component Summary, calculated base on role limitations due to emotional problems, social func- tioning, mental health, and vitality).		Physical HRQOL: 1.35 points/month (95% CI, 0.65-2.05) vs. 0.34 points/month (95% CI, -0.17-0.85) Kidney Disease-specific HRQOL: 3.75 points/month (95% CI, 2.89-4.60) vs. 2.41 points/month (95% CI, 1.78-3.04) Mental HRQOL: 0.54 points/month (95% CI, -0.17-1.25) vs. 0.46 points/month (95% CI, -0.06-0.98)	Lee, S. J., Son, H., & Shin, S. K. (2015). Influence of frailty on health-related quality of life in pre-dialysis patients with chronic kidney disease in Korea: A cross-sectional study. Health and Quality of Life Outcomes, 13(1).	
		Model 2 (hierarchical regression, frailty included) vs. Model 1 (frailty excluded) R^2 change = 29% Lower PCS: <0.001 R^2 change = 21.3% Lower MCS: <0.001		

Adverse Physiological Effects of Frailty Among CKD Patients		References		
Related adverse health effect	Method	Conditions	Sample Group	comment
		p-value		
CHF: Limiting implementation and tolerability of conventional Heart failure		Murad, K., & Kitzman, D. W. (2012). Frailty and multiple comorbidities in the elderly	N/A	
	No data support	Frailty and multiple comorbidities often limit implementation and tolerability of		
	Prevalent diseases: defined based on participant responses to the SKS questionnaire, medication use, laboratory findings, and hospitalizations that occurred after initial SKS enrollment, but prior to frailty assessment. Frailty: Fried Phenotypes	Roshanravan, B., Khatri, M., Robinson-Cohen, C., Levin, G., Patel, K. V., De Boer, I. H., ... & Kestenbaum, B. (2012). A prospective study of frailty in nephrology-referred patients with CKD. <i>American Journal of Kidney Diseases</i> , 60(6), 912-921.	Seattle Kidney Study (SKS) 336 non-dialysis-dependent patients with stages 1-4 CKD with eGFR <90 mL/min/1.73 m ² or evidence of microalbuminuria enrolled in the Seattle Kidney Study, a clinic-based cohort study. Finding compared with community-dwelling older adults in the Cardiovascular Health Study.	
		Nonfrail vs. Frail		
Angina	Prevalent diseases: defined based on participant responses to the SKS questionnaire, medication use, laboratory findings, and hospitalizations that occurred after initial SKS enrollment, but prior to frailty assessment. Frailty: Fried Phenotypes	Heart Failure Prevalence (%):12 vs. 30		
		Roshanravan, B., Khatri, M., Robinson-Cohen, C., Levin, G., Patel, K. V., De Boer, I. H., ... & Kestenbaum, B. (2012). A prospective study of frailty in nephrology-referred patients with CKD. <i>American Journal of Kidney Diseases</i> , 60(6), 912-921.	Seattle Kidney Study (SKS) 336 non-dialysis-dependent patients with stages 1-4 CKD with eGFR <90 mL/min/1.73 m ² or evidence of microalbuminuria enrolled in the Seattle Kidney Study, a clinic-based cohort study. Finding compared with community-dwelling older adults in the Cardiovascular Health Study.	
		Nonfrail vs. Frail		
		Angina Prevalence(%): 22 vs. 34		
Brain wave	Frailty: simple FRAIL scale (SF5), Fatigue, Resistance, Ambulation, Illness, and Loss of body weight (leading to the acronym "FRAIL")	Chao, C.-T., Lai, H.-J., Tsai, H.-B., Yang, S.-Y., & Huang, J.-W. (2017). Frail phenotype is associated with distinct quantitative electroencephalographic findings among end-stage renal disease patients: an observational study. <i>BMC Geriatrics</i> , 17(1), 277.	Patients with ESRD under chronic dialysis with catastrophic illness certificates were prospectively enrolled from National Taiwan University Hospital Jinshan branch	
	Brain wave: electroencephalography, a total of 21 silver/silver chloride cup electrodes were placed on the scalp, as per international 10-20 system. Continuous variables were expressed as mean ± standard deviation and compared between groups using a Student's t-test or one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA)	moderate to severe frailty v. none to mild frailty	Exclusion criteria: refusal to participate and pregnancy	
	Spectral analysis with brain EEG mapping for the different frequency bands was also done to evaluate anatomical clustering.	DAR (global): 283 ± 679 vs. 2971 ± 4859	DAR (global): 0.02	
		DARs (left frontal): 135 ± 250 vs. 3073 ± 4702	DARs (left frontal): 0.01	
		left TO: 197 ± 318 vs. 3708 ± 6398, Central: 55 ± 96 vs. 1773 ± 3262,	Left TO: 0.01	
		right TO: 187 ± 261 vs. 4400 ± 7763, global DTABR: 191 ± 469 vs. 1781 ± DTABRs (left frontal): 86 ± 158 vs.	Right TO: 0.02	
		left TO: 130 ± 210 vs. 1884 ± 2828	Global DTABR: 0.02	
		Central: 39 ± 65 vs. 1132 ± 1957	DTABR (left frontal): <0.01	
		right TO DTABR: 126 ± 178 vs. 2960 ±	Left TO: 0.01	
		Overall: 0.02	Central: 0.02	
Diabetes	Prevalent diseases: defined based on participant responses to the SKS questionnaire, medication use, laboratory findings, and hospitalizations that occurred after initial SKS enrollment, but prior to frailty assessment. Frailty: Fried Phenotypes	Roshanravan, B., Khatri, M., Robinson-Cohen, C., Levin, G., Patel, K. V., De Boer, I. H., ... & Kestenbaum, B. (2012). A prospective study of frailty in nephrology-referred patients with CKD. <i>American Journal of Kidney Diseases</i> , 60(6), 912-921.	Seattle Kidney Study (SKS) 336 non-dialysis-dependent patients with stages 1-4 CKD with eGFR <90 mL/min/1.73 m ² or evidence of microalbuminuria enrolled in the Seattle Kidney Study, a clinic-based cohort study. Finding compared with community-dwelling older adults in the Cardiovascular Health Study.	
		Nonfrail vs. Frail		
		Diabetes Prevalence (%): 49 vs. 64		
Obese	Prevalent diseases: defined based on participant responses to the SKS questionnaires, medication use, laboratory findings, and hospitalizations that occurred after initial SKS enrollment, but prior to frailty assessment. Frailty: Fried Phenotypes	Roshanravan, B., Khatri, M., Robinson-Cohen, C., Levin, G., Patel, K. V., De Boer, I. H., ... & Kestenbaum, B. (2012). A prospective study of frailty in nephrology-referred patients with CKD. <i>American Journal of Kidney Diseases</i> , 60(6), 912-921.	Seattle Kidney Study (SKS) 336 non-dialysis-dependent patients with stages 1-4 CKD with eGFR <90 mL/min/1.73 m ² or evidence of microalbuminuria enrolled in the Seattle Kidney Study, a clinic-based cohort study. Finding compared with community-dwelling older adults in the Cardiovascular Health Study.	
		Nonfrail vs. Frail		
		Obese (% in all nutritional status): 50 vs. 64		
		McAdams-DeMarco, M. A., Tan, J., Salter, M. L., Gross, A., Meoni, L. A., Jaar, B. G., ... & Szolo, S. M. (2015). Frailty and cognitive function in incident hemodialysis patients. <i>Clinical Journal of the American Society of Nephrology</i> , 10(12), 2181-2189.	A longitudinal cohort study (Predictors of Arrhythmic and Cardiovascular Risk in ESRD [PACE] trial; R01DK072367) with 324 adults enrolled (November 2008 to July 2012), 95% of which were enrolled within the first month of hemodialysis.	
		Nonfrail vs. Intermediate Frail vs. Frail (at baseline)	Patients location: 27 free-standing dialysis centers in Baltimore, Maryland, and six surrounding counties.	
	Body mass index (BMI): self-report height and dry weight.	Dry weight body mass index (kg/m ²): 27.6 vs. 29.7 vs. 31.5	Obese (<0.001	
		Obese (%): 23.9 vs. 41.8 vs. 51.8		
		Nonfrail vs. Frail		
		ADL (%):5 vs. 15	Seattle Kidney Study (SKS) 336 non-dialysis-dependent patients with stages 1-4 CKD with eGFR <90 mL/min/1.73 m ² or evidence of microalbuminuria enrolled in the Seattle Kidney Study, a clinic-based cohort study. Finding compared with community-dwelling older adults in the Cardiovascular Health Study.	
		ADL (%):28 vs. 60		
Disability: ADL (activities of daily living) IADL (instrumental activities of daily living) Falls	assessed by asking about difficulties with 15 tasks of daily life, including ADLs, instrumental ADLs (IADLs), and mobility tasks.	Roshanravan, B., Khatri, M., Robinson-Cohen, C., Levin, G., Patel, K. V., De Boer, I. H., ... & Kestenbaum, B. (2012). A prospective study of frailty in nephrology-referred patients with CKD. <i>American Journal of Kidney Diseases</i> , 60(6), 912-921.		
		Nonfrail vs. Frail		
		ADL (%):5 vs. 15		
		IADL (%):28 vs. 60		
Cerebrovascular disease	Participant-reported medical history, augmented with data from US Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Form-2728 and from chart abstraction: other comorbidities including cardiovascular diseases, congestive heart failure, rheumatoid arthritis, cancer, diabetes, hypertension, or chronic obstructive lung diseases. Unknown for cerebrovascular disease, not mentioned specifically.	McAdams-DeMarco, M. A., Tan, J., Salter, M. L., Gross, A., Meoni, L. A., Jaar, B. G., ... & Szolo, S. M. (2015). Frailty and cognitive function in incident hemodialysis patients. <i>Clinical Journal of the American Society of Nephrology</i> , 10(12), 2181-2189.	A longitudinal cohort study (Predictors of Arrhythmic and Cardiovascular Risk in ESRD [PACE] trial; R01DK072367) with 324 adults enrolled (November 2008 to July 2012), 95% of which were enrolled within the first month of hemodialysis.	Although previous studies of adults with CKD have found that lower kidney function is associated with worse cognitive function (36,37), we have identified a high-risk subgroup of patients with ESRD: namely, those who are frail who have more profound cognitive loss.
		Nonfrail vs. Intermediate Frail vs. Frail	Patients location: 27 free-standing dialysis centers in Baltimore, Maryland, and six surrounding counties.	
		Cerebrovascular disease(%): 12.0 vs. 22.1 vs. 26.4	Eligible criteria: ≥ 18 years at enrollment and the ability to speak English.	
Myophenolate mofetil (MMF) dose reduction (MDR)	Frailty identification: Fried frailty phenotypes, ≥2 components	McAdams-DeMarco, M. A., Law, A., Tan, J., Delp, C., King, E. A., Orandi, B., ... & Szolo, S. M. (2015). Frailty and cognitive function in incident hemodialysis patients. <i>Clinical Journal of the American Society of Nephrology</i> , 10(12), 2181-2189.	Single-center study, 525 KT patients.	
	Grouping: Frail (frail and intermediate frail are both referred to as frail empirically) and nonfrail	MDR over time % (95% CI): 1 year since KT: 40 (34-47) vs. 44 (39-51)	Cumulative incidence of MDR: Log Rank P=0.02	
	Definition of MDR: a reduction in MMF immunosuppression to <2000 mg/day for Mycophenolate mofetil (Cellcept) and <1440 mg/day for mycophenolic acid (Myfortic).	2 years since KT: 45 (39-52) vs. 54 (48-61)	Prevalence of: frailty (at KT): 19.5% intermediate frailty (at KT): 33.2%	
		1 years since KT: 51 (44-58) vs. 67 (59-75)		
Laboratory data	descriptive cross-sectional study	Hazard ratio of MDR: 1.29 (95% CI, 1.01-1.66)	Hazard ratio of MDR: 0.04	
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	Laboratory data: routine clinical blood work	Frail vs. Nonfrail Laboratory data: eGFR: 0.007; Albumin: 0.04; eGFR (mL/min/1.72 m ²): 18±9 vs. 50±29; Creatinine: <0.05; Calcium: 0.05	Exclusion criteria: Those on dialysis (estimated glomerular filtration rate <10 mL/min/1.73 m ²) and had body weights >135 kg. Coinciding comorbidities known to influence vitD metabolism were excluded.	
	Frailty: Fried frailty criteria (>3 frail, <3 nonfrail)	Yadla, M., John, J. P., & Mummadi, M. (2017). A study of clinical assessment of frailty in patients on maintenance hemodialysis supported by cohesien government scheme. <i>Saudi Journal of Kidney Diseases and Transplantation</i> , 28(1), 15.	205 prospective patients out of a total of 221 patients undergoing maintenance hemodialysis in Saudi center for organ transplantation were studied for the predictors of frailty.	
Body composition	Primary outcome: prevalence of frailty among the studied population Secondary outcome: frailty as a marker of falls, hospitalizations, and deaths or not eGFRs and eGFRs: categorized using a priori-accepted categories of ≥60, 45-59, 30-44, and <30 mL/min/1.73 m ² .	Frail vs. Nonfrail (causal relationship doubt) HTN, CVA, LVD, PVD, smoking, IDH, serum creatinine, and hemoglobin: RR: 1.1-1.5	Significant	
		Roshanravan, B., Khatri, M., Robinson-Cohen, C., Levin, G., Patel, K. V., De Boer, I. H., ... & Kestenbaum, B. (2012). A prospective study of frailty in nephrology-referred patients with CKD. <i>American Journal of Kidney Diseases</i> , 60(6), 912-921.	Seattle Kidney Study (SKS) 336 non-dialysis-dependent patients with stages 1-4 CKD with eGFR <90 mL/min/1.73 m ² or evidence of microalbuminuria enrolled in the Seattle Kidney Study, a clinic-based cohort study. Finding compared with community-dwelling older adults in the Cardiovascular Health Study.	
		Nonfrail vs. Frail		
		After adjustment including diabetes, eGFRs categories of <30 and 30-44 mL/min/1.73 m ² were associated with ≥ 2.8 (95% CI, 1.3-6.3) and 2.1 (95% CI, 1.0-4.7)-fold greater prevalence of frailty compared with GFRs >60 mL/min/1.73 m ² .		

Other Adverse Health Effects of Frailty Among CKD Patients					
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		Conditions			
		Data	p-value		
Nosocomial infections			Heuberger, 2011 : $RR = 2.1, 1.1-3.8, p < 0.001$ (in frail, further increase with cancer)		
Health-care utilization	descriptive cross-sectional	Sl, A. P., Senior, P. A., Field, C. J., Jindal, K., & Mager, D. R. (2018). Frailty, Health Related Quality of Life, Cognition, Depression, Vitamin D and Health Care Utilization in an Ambulatory Adult Population with Type 1 and Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus and Chronic Kidney Disease: a cross sectional analysis. Canadian Journal of Diabetes.		"41 ambulatory adults (41 through 83 years of age) with type 1 (n=3) or type 2 (n=38) diabetes mellitus and CKD (stages 1 through V). Exclusion criteria: Thoses who were on dialysis (estimated glomerular filtration rate <10 mL/min/1.73 m^2) and had body weights >136 kg, and coinciding comorbidities known to influence vitD metabolism were excluded. "	
		Frail vs. Nonfrail			
	Cumulative individual health-care events (numbers and types) between 2012 and 2017: A chart review conducted using electronic medical records		Health-care utilization : Higher cumulative number of inpatient (p<0.001), emergency (p=0.002) and total (p=0.001) health-care visits		
	Frailty: Fried frailty criteria (>3 frail, <3 nonfrail) Primary outcome: prevalence of frailty among the studied population Secondary outcome: frailty as a marker of falls, hospitalizations, and deaths or not	Yadla, M., John, J. P., & Mummadi, M. (2017). A study of clinical assessment of frailty in patients on maintenance hemodialysis supported by cashless government scheme. Saudi Journal of Kidney Diseases and Transplantation, 28(1), 15.	Frail vs. Nonfrail		205 prospective patients out of a total of 221 patients undergoing maintenance hemodialysis in Saudi center for organ transplantation were studied for the predictors of frailty.
	Hospitalizations: >3 (141): 127 vs. 14 1-2 (64): 40 vs. 24 HR for hospitalizations: 2.06 (95% CI, 1.18-3.58)	Hospitalizations: <0.01			
Dialysis therapy	At baseline, participants are without dialysis	Roshanravan, B., Khatri, M., Robinson-Cohen, C., Levin, G., Patel, K. V., De Boer, I. H., ... & Kestenbaum, B. (2012). A prospective study of frailty in nephrology-referred patients with CKD. American Journal of Kidney Diseases, 60(6), 912-921.		Seattle Kidney Study (SKS) 336 non-dialysis-dependent patients with stages 1-4 CKD with eGFR <90 mL/min/1.73 m^2 or evidence of microalbuminuria enrolled in the Seattle Kidney Study, a clinic-based cohort study. Finding compared with community-dwelling older adults in the Cardiovascular Health Study.	
	Associations of frailty components with time dialysis therapy: A Cox proportional hazards model with robust standard variance estimation (adjusted for potential confounding variables)	Frail vs. Nonfrail			
		After adjustment, the frailty phenotype was associated with an estimated 2.5 (95% CI, 1.4-4.4)-fold greater risk of dialysis therapy.			
Falls	Frailty: Fried frailty criteria (>3 frail, <3 nonfrail) Primary outcome: prevalence of frailty among the studied population Secondary outcome: frailty as a marker of falls, hospitalizations, and deaths or not	Yadla, M., John, J. P., & Mummadi, M. (2017). A study of clinical assessment of frailty in patients on maintenance hemodialysis supported by cashless government scheme. Saudi Journal of Kidney Diseases and Transplantation, 28(1), 15.	Frail vs. Nonfrail		205 prospective patients out of a total of 221 patients undergoing maintenance hemodialysis in Saudi center for organ transplantation were studied for the predictors of frailty.
		Falls: 115 vs. 12 HR for falls: 2.1 (95% CI, 1.21-3.92)	Falls: <0.001		

雙重變項	Patients with MBD had poorer HRQoL with respect to burden of kidney disease, WS, PF and general health [(β (SE): -7.9 (3.88), p = 0.042; -9.5 (3.99), p = 0.018; -3.0 (1.22) p = 0.014; -3.6 (1.48), p = 0.015, respectively].	
Hemodialysis 大約等同於 CKD	Although previous studies of adults with CKD have found that lower kidney function is associated with worse cognitive function (36,37), we have identified a high-risk subgroup of patients with ESRD: namely, those who are frail who have more profound cognitive loss.	McAdams-DeMarco, M. A., Tan, J., Salter, M. L., Gross, A., Meoni, L. A., Jaar, B. G., ... & Sozio, S. M. (2015). Frailty and cognitive function in incident hemodialysis patients. Clinical Journal of the American Society of Nephrology, 10(12), 2181-2189.
Corroboration	Although that result is included here for the sake of simple verification and corroboration, the most appropriate validation analysis in this case is the known-groups strategy, as presented earlier, since the assessment of the MMSE diagnosis depends on the elderly patients' education level.	Fabricao-Wehbe, Suzele Cristina Coelho, Schiaveto, Fábio Veiga, Vendrusculo, Thaís Ramos Pereira, Haas, Vanderlei José, Dantas, Rosana Aparecida Spadoti, & Rodrigues, Rosalina Aparecida Partezani. (2009). Adaptação cultural e validade da Edmonton Frail Scale - EFS em uma amostra de idosos brasileiros. Revista Latino-Americana de Enfermagem, 17(6), 1043-1049.