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## **KIDNEY FAILURE AS INITIAL PRESENTATION OF TUBEROUS SCLEROSIS IN A 42-YEAR OLD FILIPINO**

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**Objectives:** Tuberous sclerosis complex (TSC) is a rare genetic disorder that involves many organs. It usually presents as a learning disability or a seizure disorder in a child. Classic skin lesions herald the condition. Few cases are reported in adults and fewer still present initially as kidney failure.

**Methods:** We report a previously well 42-year old woman who presented with dyspnea, easy fatigability, a generalized seizure, and classic skin lesions of TSC. The baseline serum creatinine was markedly elevated and the CT scan revealed polycystic kidneys and an angiomyolipoma on the left kidney.

**Results:** She underwent hemodialysis and was eventually discharged.

**Conclusions:** It is rare for TSC to manifest with polycystic kidneys and renal angiomyolipoma (RAML) leading to end-stage renal disease. Prompt recognition of TSC with kidney failure avoids delay in the initiation of life-saving renal replacement therapy.