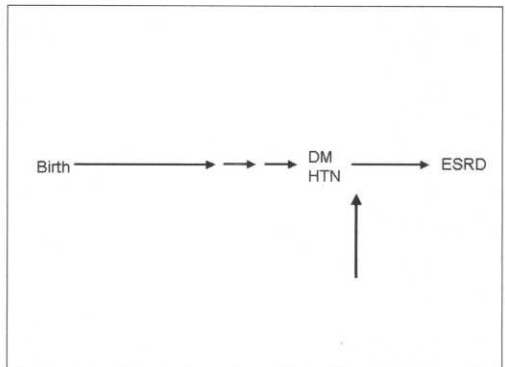
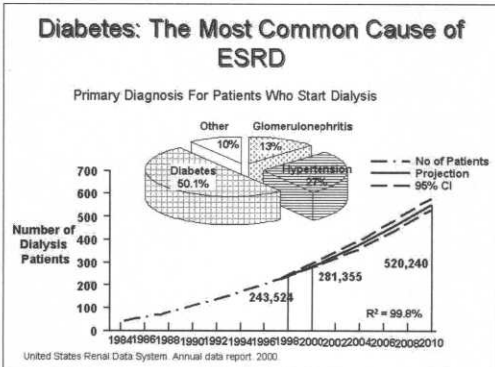
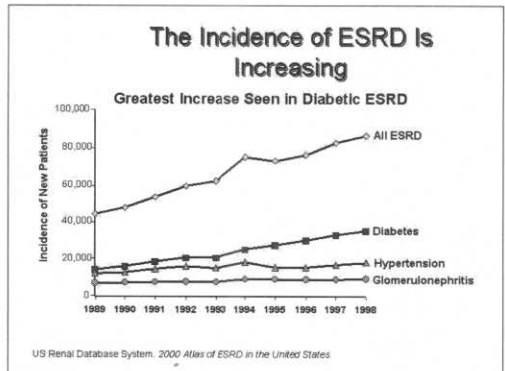
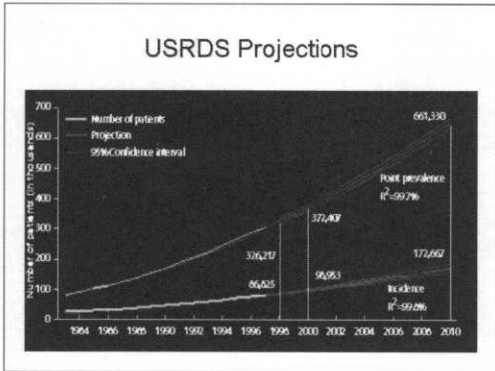
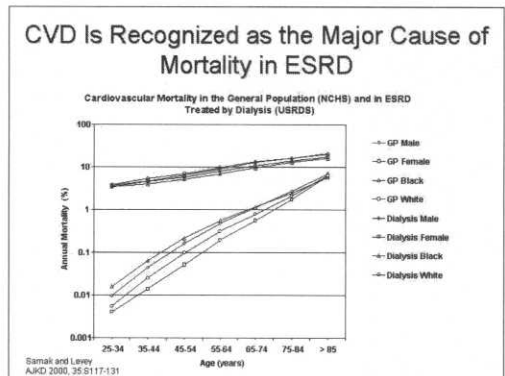


# New Insights in Chronic Kidney Disease

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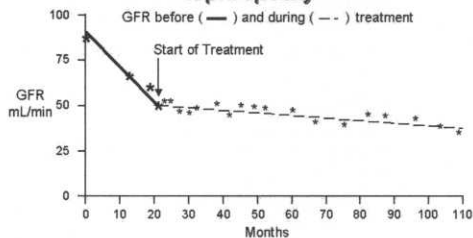
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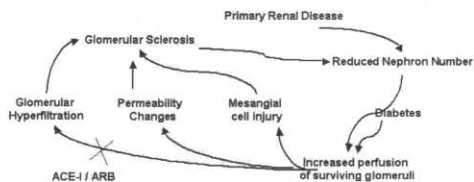
### In The Beginning, CKD Research Focused on Two Important Questions

- Why was chronic kidney disease progressive?
- Were there therapeutic strategies that would favorably impact disease progression?

### Impact of Antihypertensive Therapy on GFR in a Patient with Diabetic Nephropathy

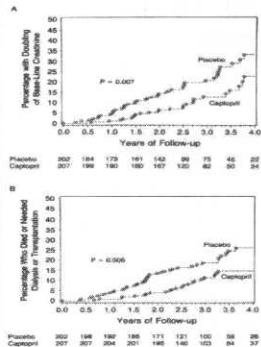


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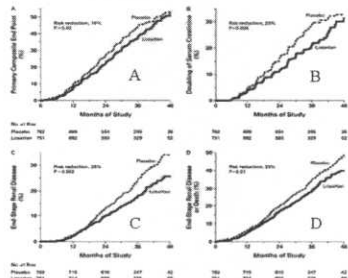
### ACEi in DN

- Type 1 DM (n=409)
  - $\geq 500$  mg/24hrs
  - $SCr \leq 2.5$  mg/dl
  - Captopril 25 TID
  - ~ 4 years f/u
- Lewis et al. *NEJM* 1993



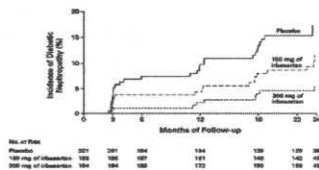
### RENAAL

- A- Doubling SCr or ESRD
- B- Doubling SCr
- C- ESRD
- D- ESRD or Death



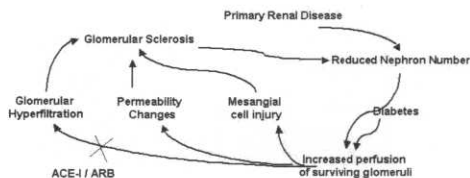
### Irbesartan for MA- IRMA

- 590 patients with T2DM and MA.  $SCr \leq 1.5$  men, 1.1 in women
- Irbesartan 150 or 300 mg/d, 24 month study
- Primary outcome - Diabetic Nephropathy (AER > 200 mcg/min)
  - ♣ 29% and 70% reduced risk in treated arms
  - ♣ 44% and 68% reduced risk after adjusting for baseline MA and BP

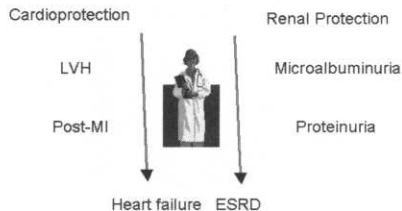


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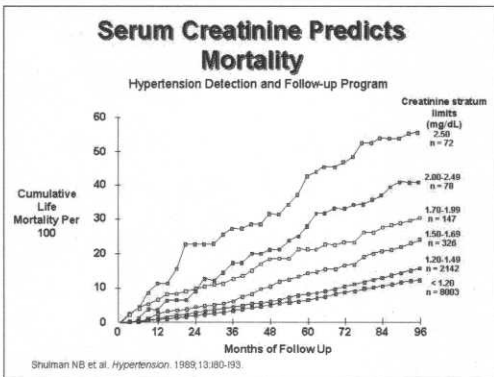
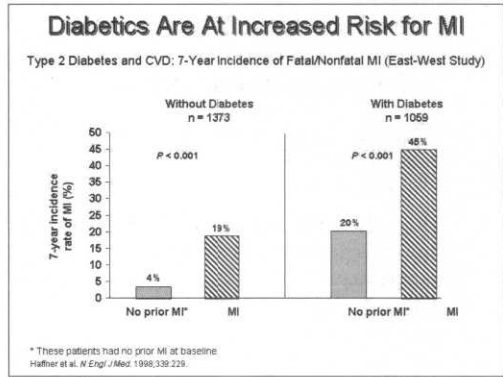
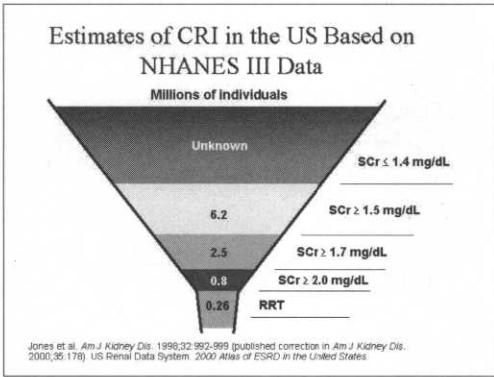
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### Diabetes & Hypertension: Risk Factors for CKD and CVD



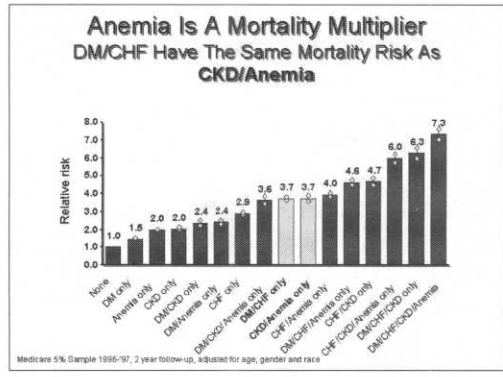
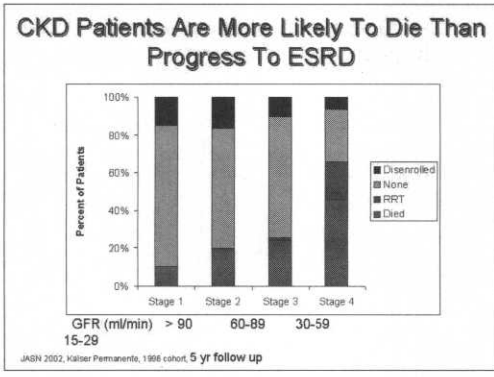
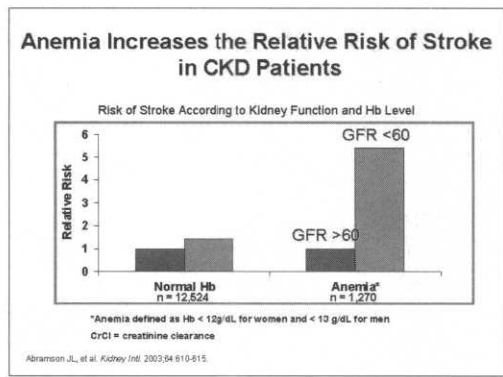
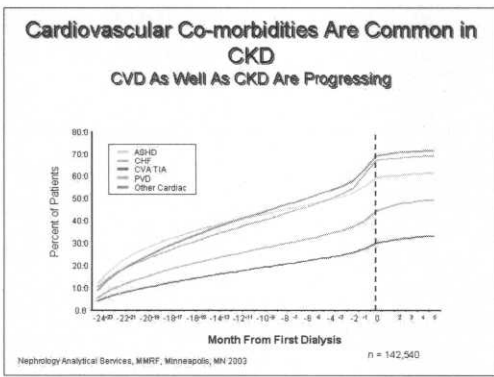
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### Outcome from CVD in CKD Patients

- HOPE Trial:
  - Myocardial infarction (MI) was 60% more common in patients with mild CKD (Cr 1.4 - 2.3 mg/dL).
  - CKD conferred a 1.4 independent risk for death, MI or stroke.
- SOLVD Trial:
  - Using MDRD equation, a 10 ml/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> decrease in GFR conferred a 6.4% increased risk of death.
  - An independent effect of anemia was also found.

1. Mann et al. *Annals Int Med*, 2001; 134: 629-636  
2. Al-Ahmad et al. *J Am College Card*, 2001; 38: 955-962.



### CHF and CKD: Clinical Benefit of Anemia Correction

126 anemic CHF patients (91% CKD) referred to Nephrology clinic for anemia management, mean intervention period 12.4 months (5-27)

	Before	After
Hemoglobin (g/dL)	10.3	13.1
Serum creatinine (mg/dL)	2.4	2.3
ΔGFR (mL/min/month)	-0.95	0.27
NYHA class (0-4)	3.8	2.7
Fatigue/SOB index (0-10)	8.9	2.7
Hospitalizations	3.7	0.2
Systolic BP (mmHg)	132	131
Diastolic BP (mmHg)	75	76

Silverberg, et al. Peritoneal Dial Int. 21(sup3):S236-40.

### Lessons From RENAAL: Baseline Characteristics Predict Clinical Outcomes

VARIABLE	p VALUE
Proteinuria *	<.0001
Serum Creatinine	<.0001
Serum Albumin	~.0003
Hemoglobin **	~.0069

\* Modifiable risk factors  
Multivariate analysis on primary endpoint

Keane et al. Kidney Int. 62: 1499-1507

### RENAAL Trial: Effect Of Hemoglobin On Combined Renal Endpoint (DsCr/ESRD)

Quartiles of Hemoglobin (g/dl)	HR
>13.8	1
12.6-13.8	1.7 ‡
11.2-12.4	1.8 ‡
<11.2	4.2 ‡

‡ p<.0001

Mohanram et al. JASN. 13: 8A

### Anemia Develops and Worsens With Declining Kidney Function

GFR (mL/min/1.73 m²)	Mean Hgb (g/dL)
≥91	~14.5
90-40	~14.0
39-30	~13.0*
29-20	~11.5
19-10	~10.0†
<10	~7.5

\* = 25%-40% of kidney function. † = 10%-15% of kidney function.  
Adapted from Ravid et al. Blood. 1979;54:877-884.

### Causes of the Anemia of CKD

- Erythropoietin deficiency
- Suppression of RBC synthesis by uremic toxins
- Short RBC survival
- Iron deficiency
  - Blood loss
  - GI tract
- Nutritional deficiency (B<sub>12</sub>, folate)
- Hyperparathyroidism
- Chronic inflammation
- Infection
- Aluminum bone disease

Drueke et al. Clin Nephrol. 1999;51: 1-11.

### Estimated Survival

Stack et al. Am J Kidney Dis 2002.

### Prevalence of LVH Increases With Decreased Kidney Function

Ccr (mL/min)	Patients With LVH at Baseline (%)
>90	27%
90-25	31%
<25	47%
Dialysis Start <sup>2</sup>	74%

P < 0.003  
n = 246

<sup>1</sup> Levin et al. Am J Kidney Dis. 1999;34:125-134. <sup>2</sup> Foley et al. Kidney Int. 1995;47: 186-192.

### Anemia Linked to LVH Independent of BP

446-Patient CRI Study

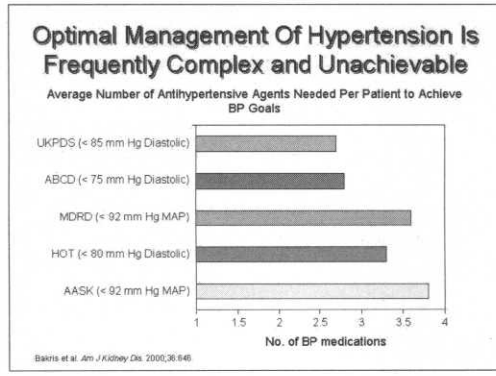
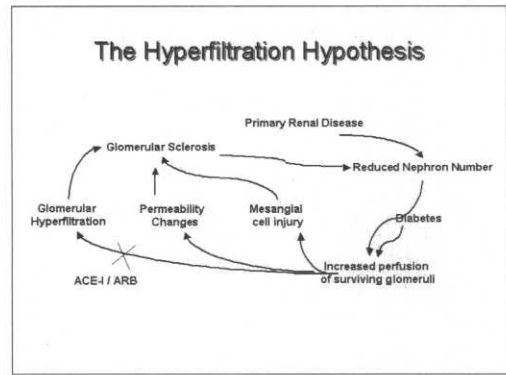
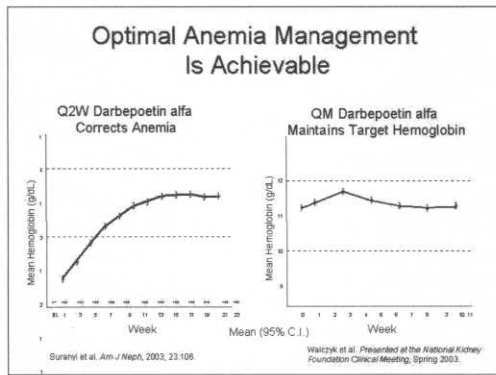
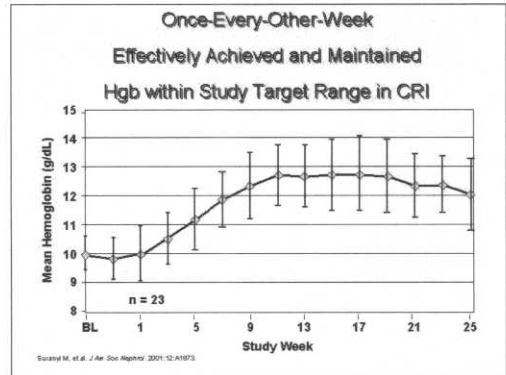
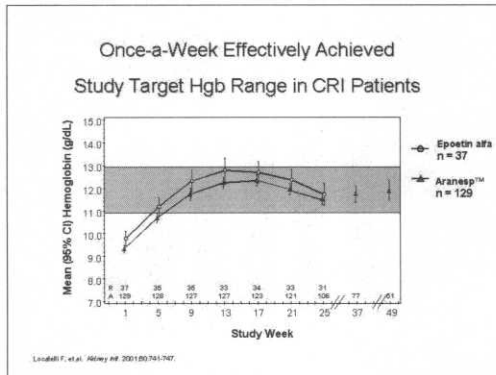
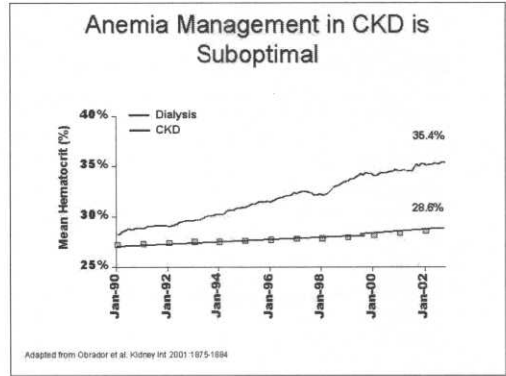
	LVH (n = 84)	No LVH (n = 162)	P value
Ccr (mL/min)	32.1	37.7	0.001
Hgb (g/dL)	12.1	13.0	< 0.0001
SBP (mm Hg)	141.3	150.3	< 0.0003

Levin et al. Am J Kidney Dis. 1999;34:125-134

### Clinical Trials to Support Decreases in LVMI Following Treatment of Anemia

Study	Duration (months)	Hemoglobin (g/dL) Pre to post	Δ LVMI (%)	P value
Portoles et al. 1997 <sup>1</sup>	6	9.0 to 11.7	-17	<0.05
Silberberg et al. 1990 <sup>2</sup>	6.3	6.3 to 11.4	-5	.0004
Zehnder et al. 1992 <sup>3</sup>	8.6	8.6 to 11.4	-20	<.001
London et al. 1989 <sup>4</sup>	9	6.8 to 10.6	-17	<.05
Macdougall et al. 1990 <sup>5</sup>	12	6.4 to 10.8	-22	<.01

Am J Kidney Dis. 1997;29:541-548. 2. Can J Cardiol. 1990;6:1-4. 3. Nephron. 1992;61:21-25. 4. Kidney Int. 1989;36:879-82. 5. Lancet. 1980;335:469-483.

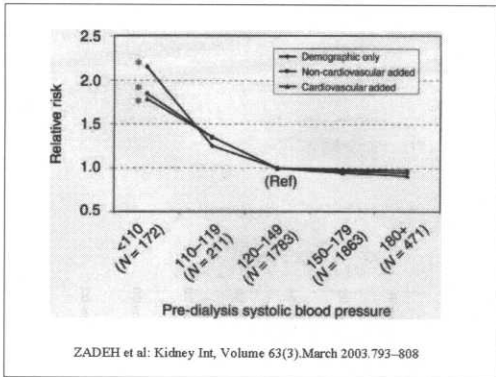


### RENAAL: The Challenge to Control Blood Pressure

- N 1513
- Baseline Blood Pressure 152.5 / 82.4 mm Hg
- Target Blood Pressure 140 / 90 mm Hg or less
- Achieved Blood Pressure 142 / 77 mm Hg
- Number of Anti-HTN Meds 4.5

Target Systolic Blood Pressure Was Not Achieved

Brenner et al. N Eng J Med 2001;345:861



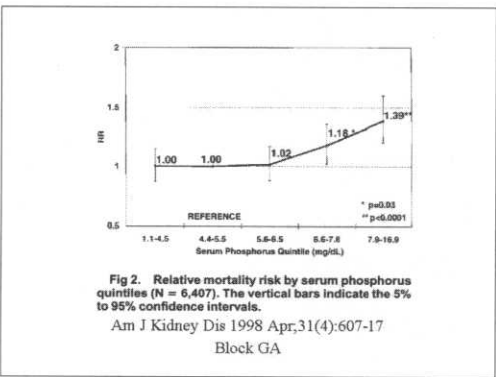
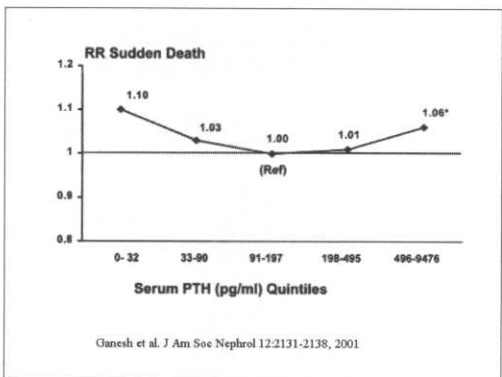
**Table 2. Effect of Pravastatin Use on Incidence of Cardiovascular Events in Participants with Chronic Renal Insufficiency, as Defined by Creatinine Clearance of 75 ml/min or Less\***

Event	Participants in the Placebo Group	Participants in the Pravastatin Group†	Adjusted Hazard Ratio with Pravastatin 95% CI	P Value‡
Death from CHC or nonfatal MI§	126 (14.3)	89 (10.3)	0.72 (0.59-0.90)	0.02
Major coronary event	238 (27.6)	171 (20.3)	0.79 (0.69-0.90)	0.001
Total mortality	111 (12.8)	86 (10.2)	0.81 (0.67-1.00)	0.14
Fatal MI or nonfatal myocardial MI	90 (10.4)	65 (7.7)	0.73 (0.53-1.01)	0.06
CABG or PTCA	151 (17.4)	109 (12.4)	0.66 (0.50-0.88)	0.001
Unstable angina	143 (16.4)	113 (13.0)	0.88 (0.71-1.10)	<0.2
Stroke	46 (5.3)	29 (3.4)	0.62 (0.39-1.00)	0.051

\* All models were based on complete data for 1713 participants (867 in the placebo group and 846 in the pravastatin group). Hazard ratios and P-values were derived from Cox proportional hazards models. Patient-specific data were used to compute P values and confidence intervals. CABG = coronary artery bypass grafting; CHC = coronary heart disease; MI = myocardial infarction; PTCA = percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty.  
 † Percentage on cumulative incidence.  
 ‡ Adjusted for age, sex, history of hypertension, smoking, diabetes mellitus, previous congestive heart failure, use of angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors, calcium-channel blockers,  $\beta$ -adrenergic blockers, and aspirin; parameters similar and diabetic blood pressure baseline, high-density lipoprotein and low-density lipoprotein cholesterol levels, baseline triglyceride levels, serum albumin, body surface area, and paracetamol use.  
 § This combined variable was the specified primary end point.

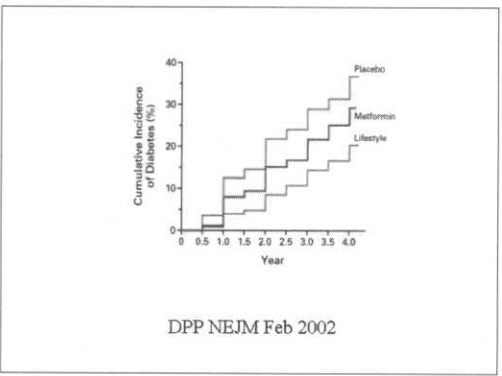
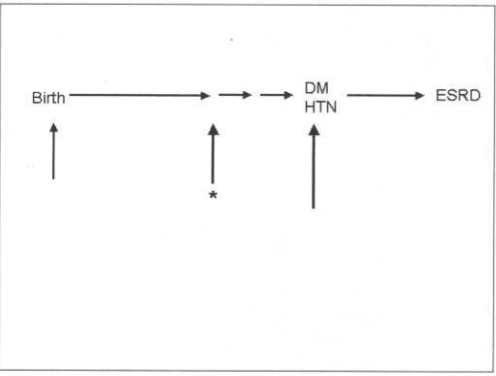
Lipid Lowering Therapy in patients with CKD  
 Tonelli et al *Annals of Internal Medicine* 2003

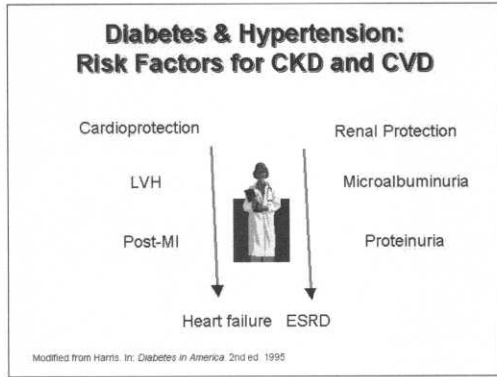
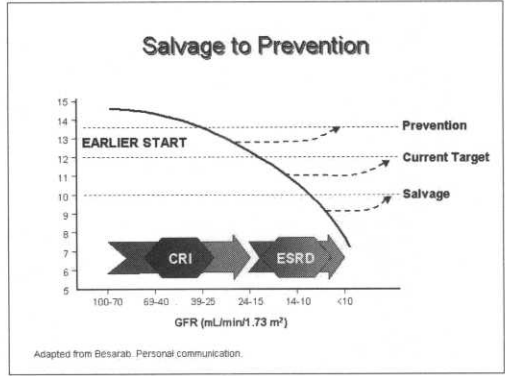
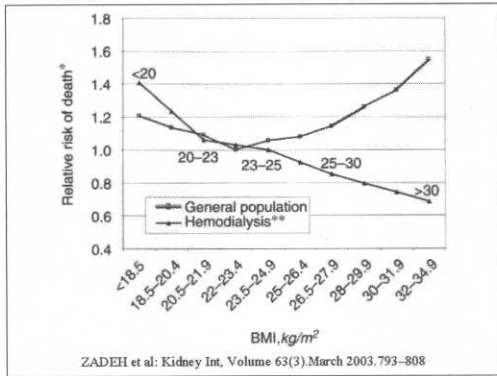
Other risk factors for CVD



What to pay attention to as CKD progresses

1. Intrinsic renal disease
2. BP
3. LVH
4. Anemia
5. Lipids
6. DM management
7. Ca/P/PTH





**Conclusions**

1. Intrinsic renal disease has been the focus, and more work continues in this area
2. New focus on risk factors that travel with progression of renal disease
3. Anemia is one important risk factor that is reversible
4. Appreciate Mortality of patients with Chronic Kidney Disease is high even before initiation of dialysis