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우리나라 투석 환자의 생존 분석(Current Update on the Survival Rate of the Dialysis-Dependent Patients in South Korea)

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The incident end-stage kidney disease (EKSD) cases are rapidly growing in South Korea for the past decades, primarily due to the increased average life span and the increased prevalence of underlying comorbidities, such as diabetes and hypertension. It is fortunate that the prevalence of EKSD is also growing probably thanks to the improvement of the medical care in this population. Due to the limited numbers of the kidney donors, most incident EKSD patients become dialysis-dependent. Nine out of ten patients initiating dialysis choose hemodialysis, while the survival rate between hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis has been comparable recently. On the basis of the current trend on the dialysis-dependent patients in South Korea, it remains to be determined how we decide the optimal timing for the initiation or cessation in elderly patient and how shared decision making for the optimal choice of dialysis modality could be more actively adopted in the daily clinical practice.

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