

Optimizing Blood Pressure Control in CKD Patients

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Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD)

Introduction

- ❑ **Chronic kidney disease is a major public health problem with adverse outcomes:**
 - **Kidney failure (ESRD).**
 - **Cardiovascular disease.**
 - **Premature death.**

- ❑ **Early detection and treatment can often prevent or delay such outcomes**

Definition of CKD

**Structural or functional abnormalities of the kidneys
for ≥ 3 months,**

Manifested by either:

1. Kidney damage, with or without decreased GFR:

- **Markers of kidney damage include:**
 - **abnormalities in the composition of the blood**
 - **or abnormalities in the composition of the urine**
 - **or abnormalities in imaging tests**

2. GFR < 60 ml/min/1.73 m², with or without kidney damage

Stages of Chronic Kidney Disease

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Stage	Description	GFR (ml/min/1.73 m ²)
1	Kidney Damage* with Normal or ↑ GFR	≥ 90
2	Kidney Damage* with Mild ↓ GFR	60-89
3 A	Moderate ↓ GFR	45-59
3 B		30-45
4	Severe ↓ GFR	15-29
5	Kidney Failure	< 15 or Dialysis

CKD

* Proteinuria or Hematuria

Albuminuria categories in CKD

Category	AER (mg/24 hours)	ACR (approximate equivalent)		Terms
		(mg/mmol)	(mg/g)	
A1	<30	<3	<30	Normal to mildly increased
A2	30-300	3-30	30-300	Moderately increased*
A3	>300	>30	>300	Severely increased**

Abbreviations: AER, albumin excretion rate; ACR, albumin-to-creatinine ratio; CKD, chronic kidney disease.

*Relative to young adult level.

**Including nephrotic syndrome (albumin excretion usually > 2200 mg/24 hours [ACR > 2220 mg/g; > 220 mg/mmol]).



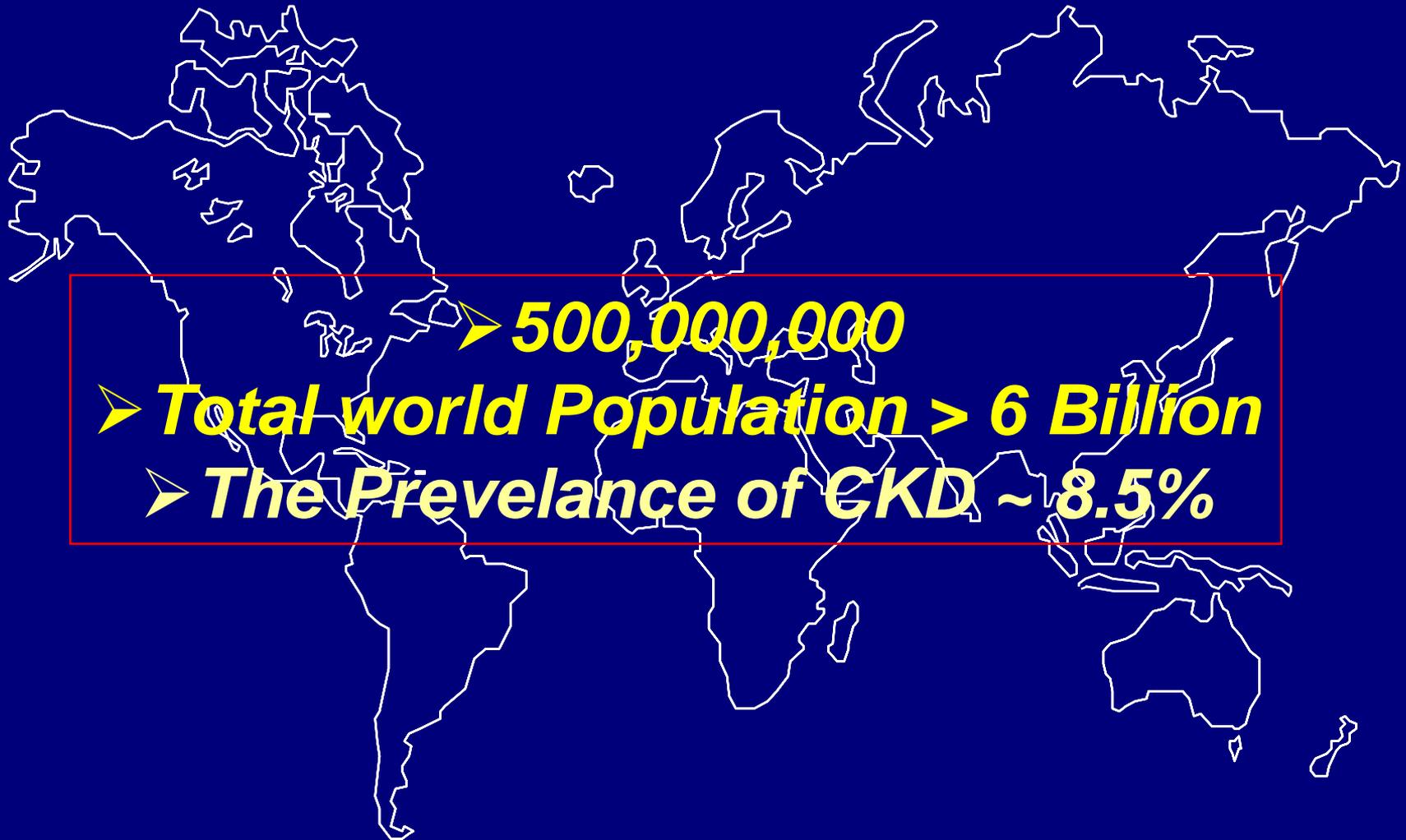
New classification of CKD

Stage	Description	Classification by severity		Classification by treatment
		GFR mL/min/1.73 m ²	Related terms	
1	Kidney damage with normal or ↑ GFR	≥90	Albuminuria, proteinuria, hematuria	T if kidney transplant recipient
2	Kidney damage with mild ↓ GFR	60–89	Albuminuria, proteinuria, hematuria	
3	Moderate ↓ GFR	30–59	Chronic renal insufficiency, early renal insufficiency	
4	Severe ↓ GFR	15–29	Chronic renal insufficiency, late renal insufficiency, pre-ESRD	
5	Kidney failure	<15 (or dialysis)	Renal failure, uremia, end-stage renal disease	
				D if dialysis (hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis)

Abbreviations are: GFR, glomerular filtration rate; ESRD, end-stage renal disease.

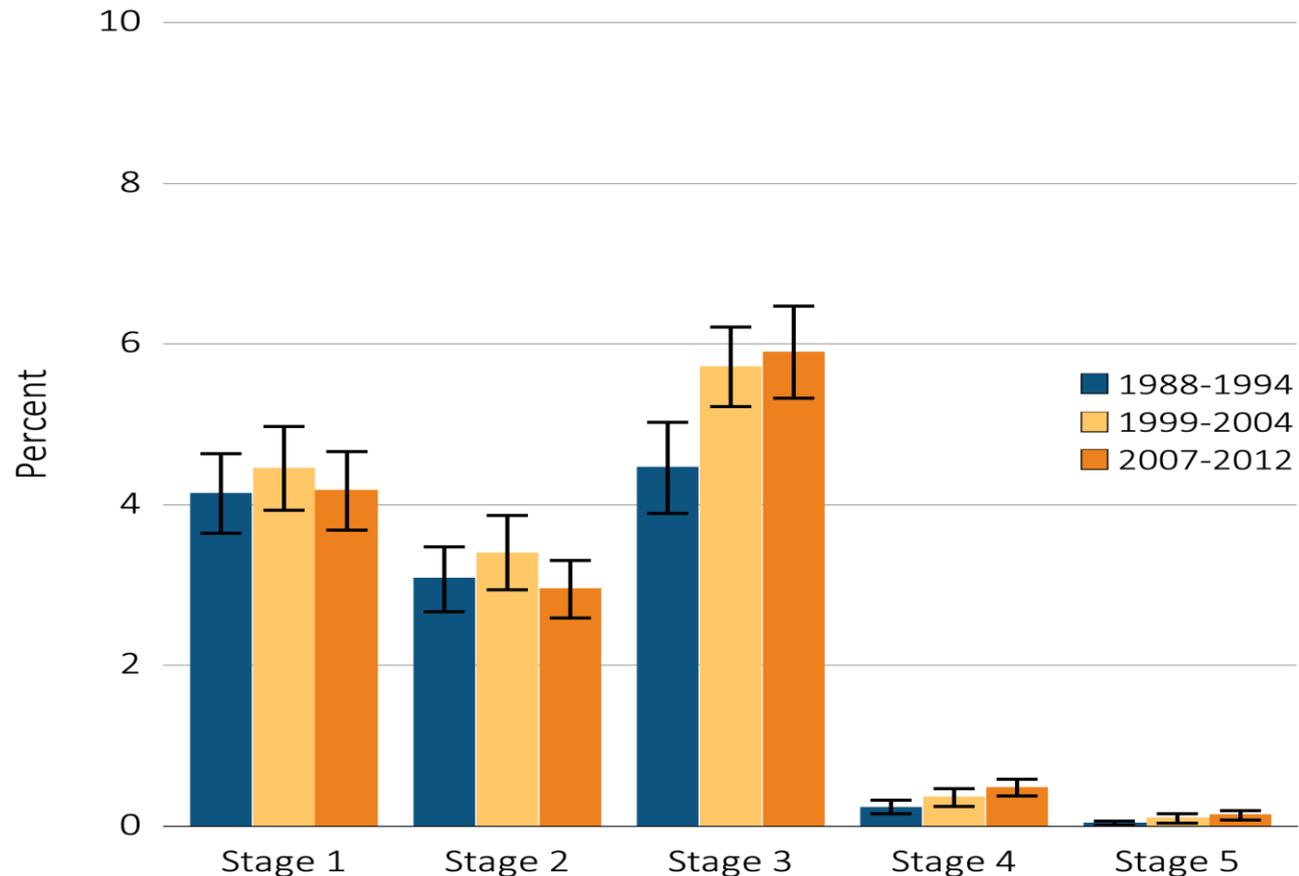
Related terms for CKD stages 3 to 5 do not have specific definitions, except ESRD.

Prevalance of Chronic Kidney Disease Worldwide



Estrapolated from Coresh et al., *Am J Kidney Dis*, 2003

Prevalence of CKD by stage among NHANES participants (1988-2012) > 14%



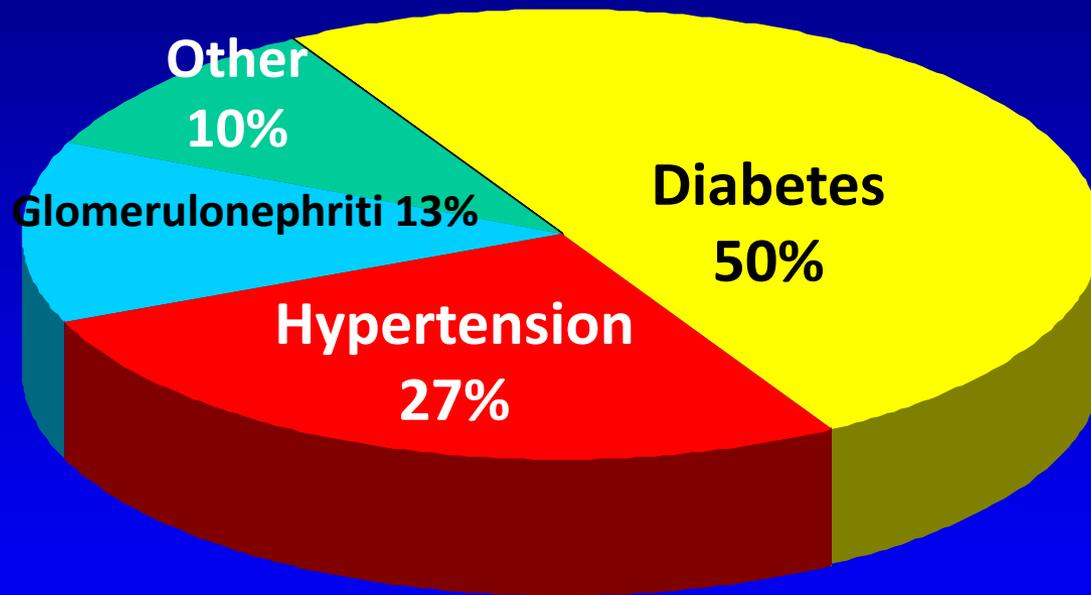
Data Source: National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES), 1988–1994, 1999–2004 & 2005–2012 participants age 20 & older. Whisker lines indicate 95% confidence intervals. Abbreviations: CKD, chronic kidney disease. This graphic also appears as Figure 1.1.

What Are Initiation Factors for CKD?

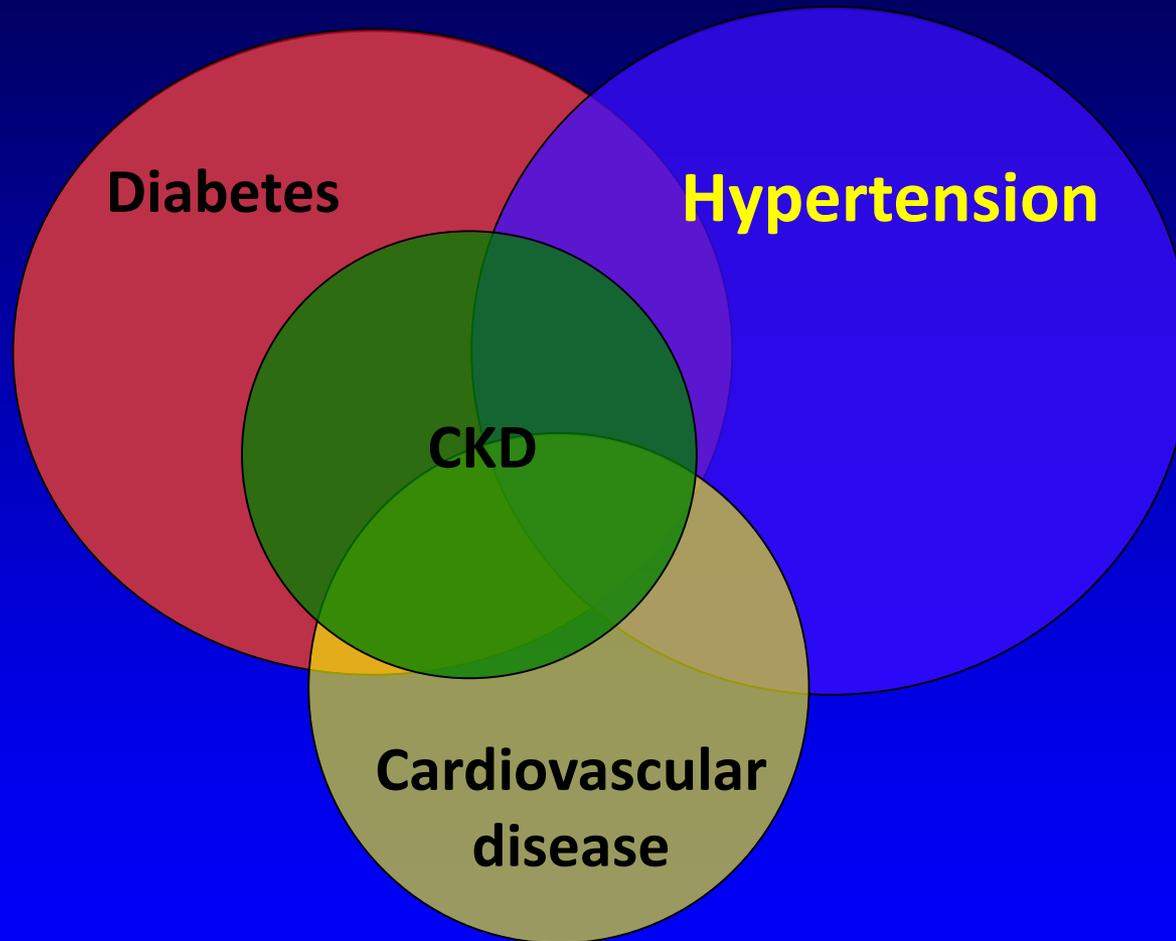
Initiation factors for CKD are diverse & include:

- ❖ **Diabetes**
- ❖ **Hypertension**
- ❖ **Autoimmune disease**
- ❖ **Glomerulonephritis**
- ❖ **Systemic infections**
- ❖ **Urinary tract infections**
 - ❖ **Urinary stones**
 - ❖ **Drug toxicity**

COMMON CAUSES OF CKD



CKD often coexists with other NCDs



**Diabetes & Hypertension are the major risk factors for CKD.
Diabetes Increases the risk of developing ESRD by up to 13-fold**

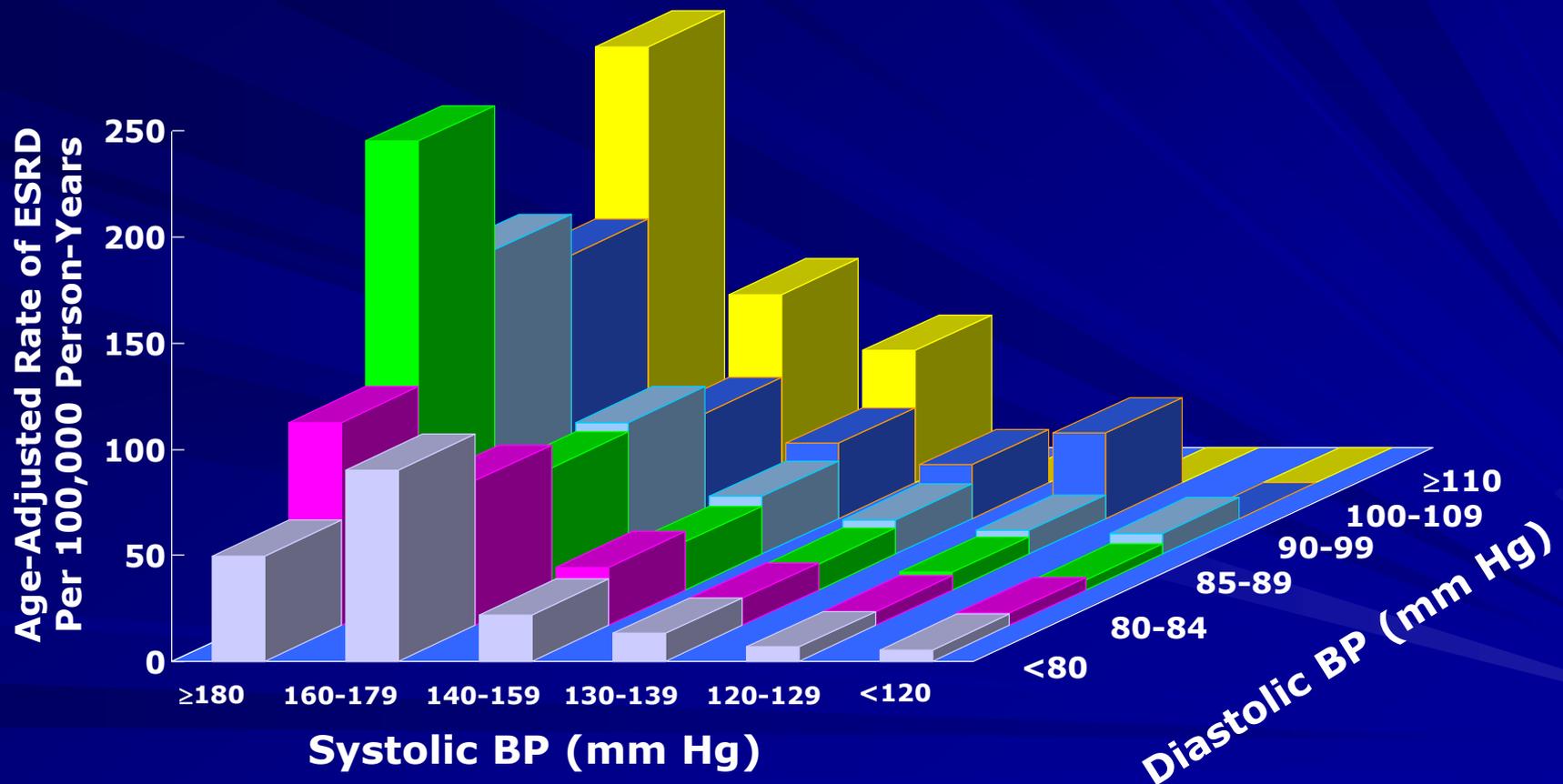
Overview of hypertension in CKD

- Hypertension is a frequent finding in both acute and chronic kidney disease, particularly with glomerular or vascular disorders .
- The pathogenesis and preferred treatment of hypertension in CKD patients vary with:
 - The **Type** of the Renal Disease
 - The **Severity** of the Renal Disease
 - The **Duration** of the Renal Disease
- The kidney is both a **Cause** and a **Victim** of hypertension.

The kidney is both a cause and a victim of hypertension

- **Victim** : High blood pressure is a key pathogenetic factor that contributes to deterioration of kidney function.
- **Cause**: The presence of kidney disease is a common and underappreciated preexisting medical cause of **Resistant hypertension**.
- Therefore, treatment of hypertension has become the most important intervention in the management of all forms CKD.

HTN Linked To Chronic Renal Disease Among 332,544 Men Screened for MRFIT



Adapted from Klag MJ, et al. N Engl J Med. 1996;334(1):13-18.

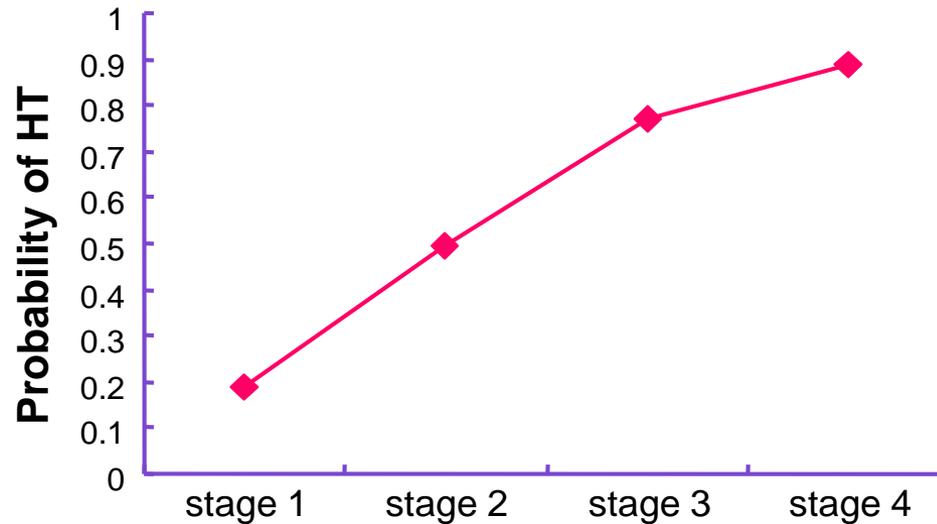
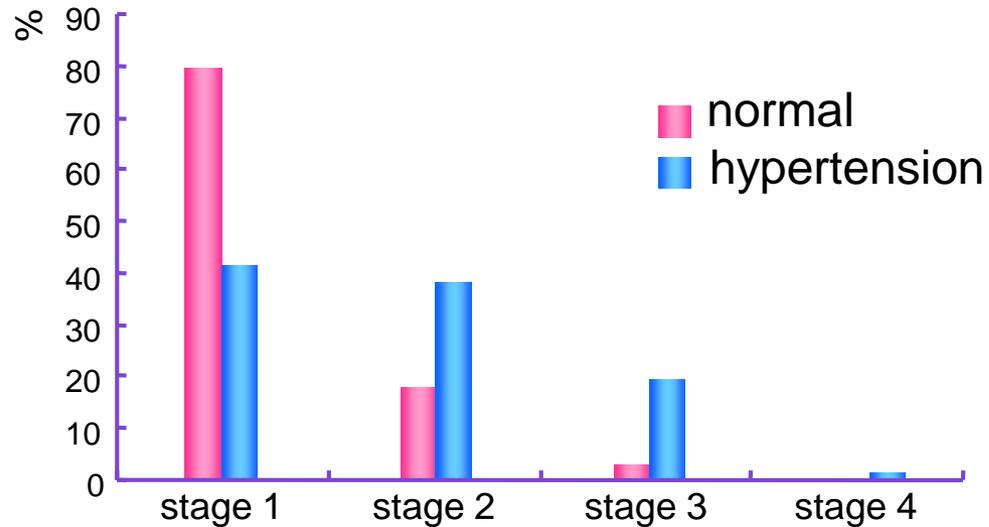
Hypertension in Chronic kidney disease

- Hypertension is present in approximately 80 - 85 % of patients with CKD.

Whaley-Connell AT et al Am J Kidney Dis. 2008;51(4 Suppl 2):S13

- The prevalence of hypertension is elevated in patients with:
 - kidney damage and a normal glomerular filtration rate,
 - and increases further as the glomerular filtration rate falls.

Hypertension and renal function



MDRD Study: Prevalence of high BP By level of GFR

- Data from the MDRD Study, showed that the prevalence of hypertension rose progressively:
 - from 65 - 95 % as the
 - GFR fell from 85 - 15 mL/min per 1.73 m²

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1996;28(6):811

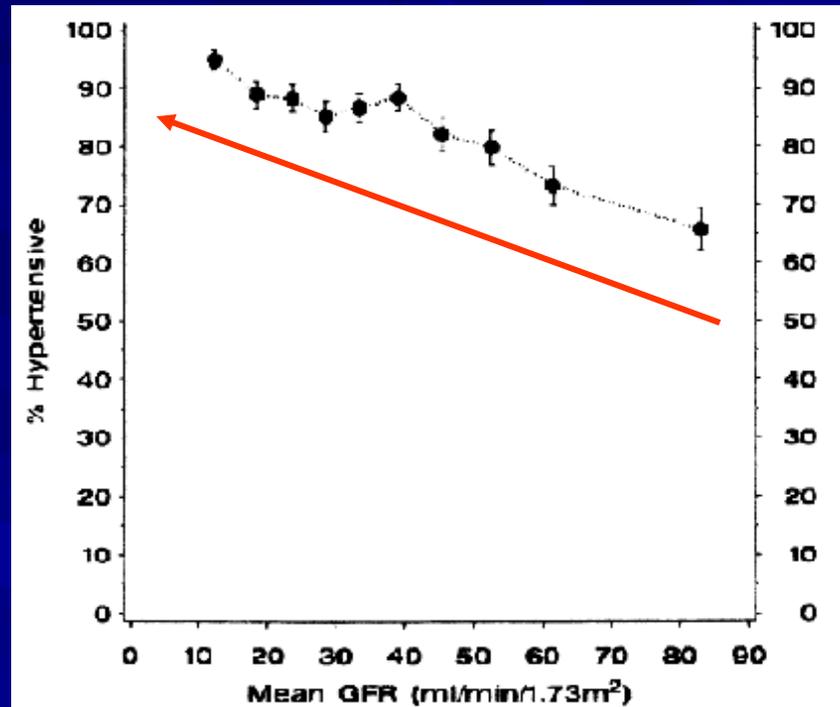
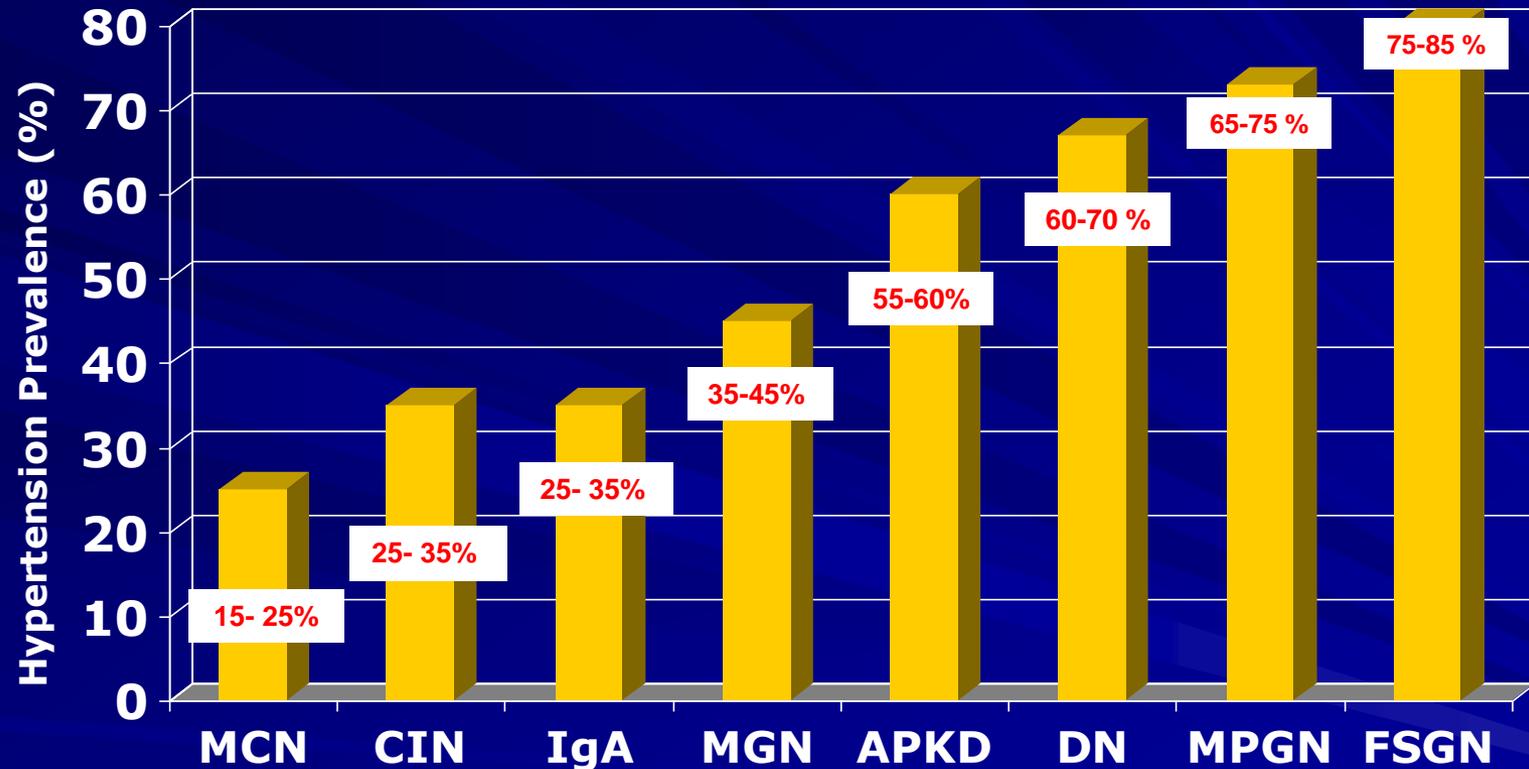


Figure 21 Prevalence of high blood pressure by level of GFR in the MDRD Study. High blood pressure was defined as classification by study investigators based on patient history (including the use of antihypertensive drugs) and review of medical records. GFR was measured by urinary clearance of 125I-iothalamate. Patients were ranked by GFR into 10 groups, each containing 179 or 180 patients. Data are presented as mean values \pm standard errors.

Prevalence of Hypertension in Renal Parenchymal Disease



Rodicio JL & Alcazar JM. ESH Newsletter 2011, No. 4

MCN=minimal change nephropathy CIN=chronic interstitial nephritis IgA=IgA nephropathy
MGN=membranous glomerulonephritis APKD=adult-onset polycystic kidney disease DN=diabetic
nephropathyMPGN=membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis FSGN=focal segmental glomerulonephritis

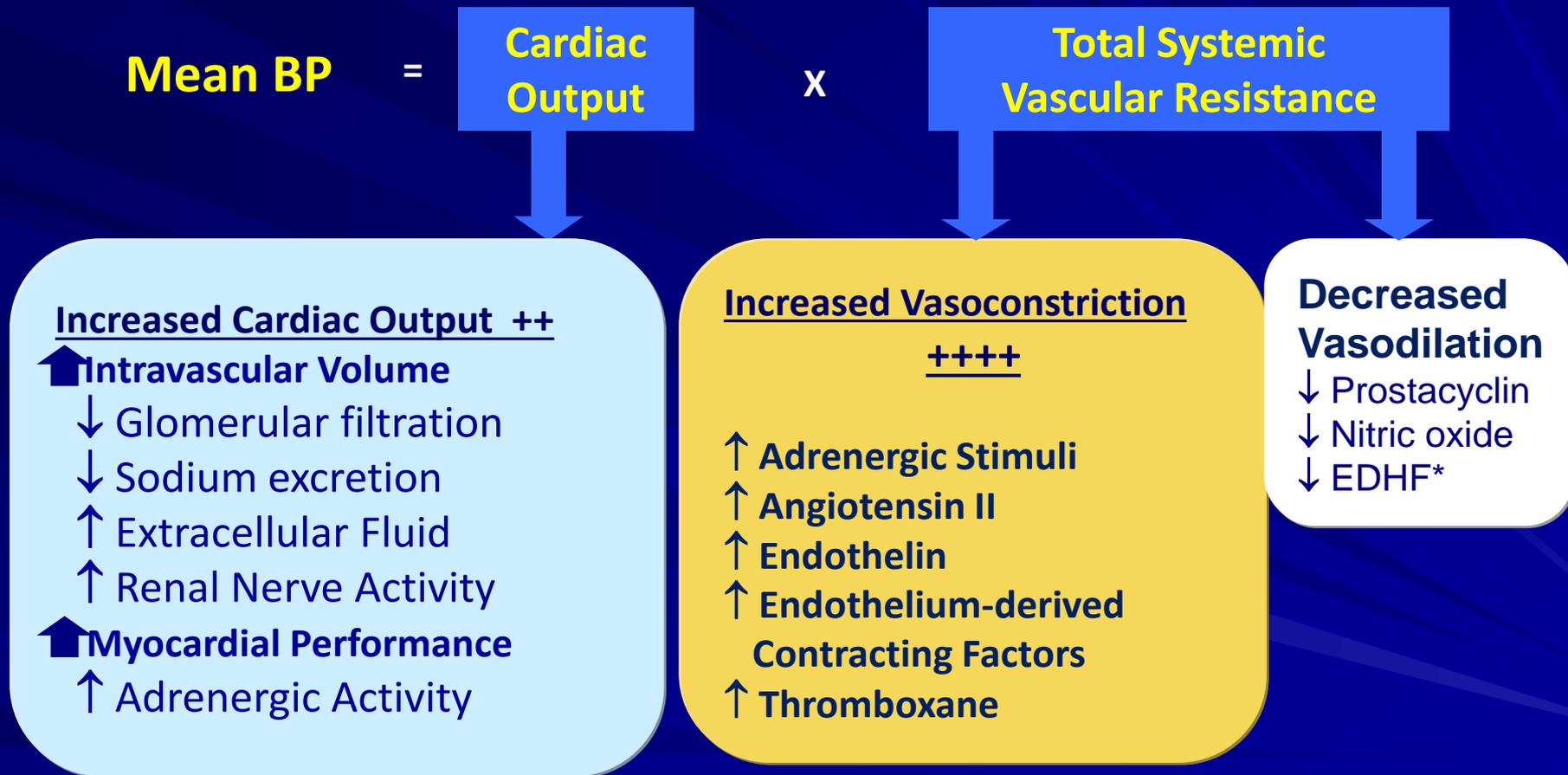
Pathogenesis: Hypertension in CKD

Pathophysiology thought to be both **pressor- and volume-related**, thus CKD patients respond to both vasodilators as well as diuretics/sodium restriction.

As kidney function declines closer to ESRD, **volume-dependent hypertension** becomes more important.

Often on dialysis, we can remove antihypertensive agents as we bring the patient down to their dry weight with ultrafiltration.

Hypertension and Chronic Renal Disease: Hemodynamic Abnormalities



*Endothelium-derived Hyperpolarizing Factors

Other Contributing factors to the increased prevalence of hypertension in patients with CKD

- Patients with ESRD are more likely to have an increase in **central pulse pressure and isolated systolic** hypertension due to increased aortic stiffness .

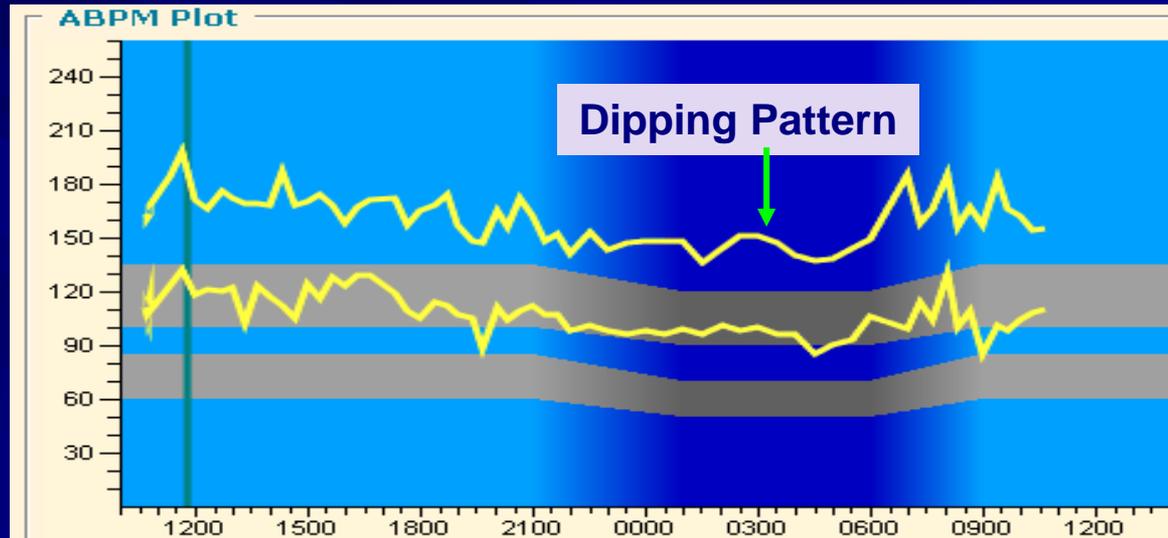
London G Hypertension. 1992;20(1):10

- Patients with CKD may not demonstrate the normal nocturnal decline in blood pressure ("**nondippers**"), a possible risk factor for hypertensive complications.

Portaluppi F : Am J Hypertens. 1991;4(1 Pt 1):20

Ambulatory blood pressure monitoring and CKD patients

24 Hour Average BP



Ambulatory blood pressure monitoring: Non- dippers

- Non- dipping has also been associated with moderately **increased albuminuria**
- More rapid progression of nephropathy in patients with diabetes mellitus.

Lurbe E et al: *N Engl J Med.* 2002;347(11):797

- More importantly, **Non-dipping** may be a risk factor for:
 - decline in glomerular filtration rate,
 - as well as for ESRD
 - and death among patients with chronic kidney disease
 - **BP Medications to be given at bed-time**

Agarwal R et al: *Kidney Int.* 2006;69(7):1175

Treatment Goals of Hypertension in CKD Patients

Treatment of even mild hypertension is important in patients with CKD *to protect against:*

1. Cardiovascular disease

And

2. Progressive renal function loss

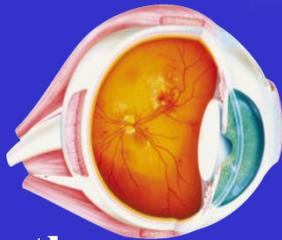
Target-Organ Damage

Cardiovascular disease

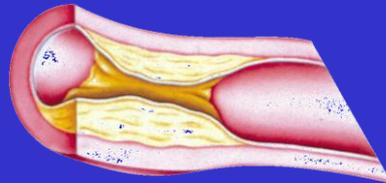
Hypertension is associated with considerable cardiovascular risk



TIA, stroke



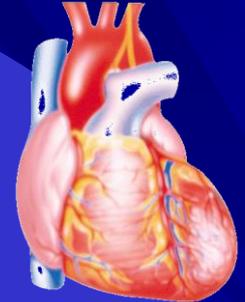
Retinopathy



Peripheral vascular disease



Renal failure

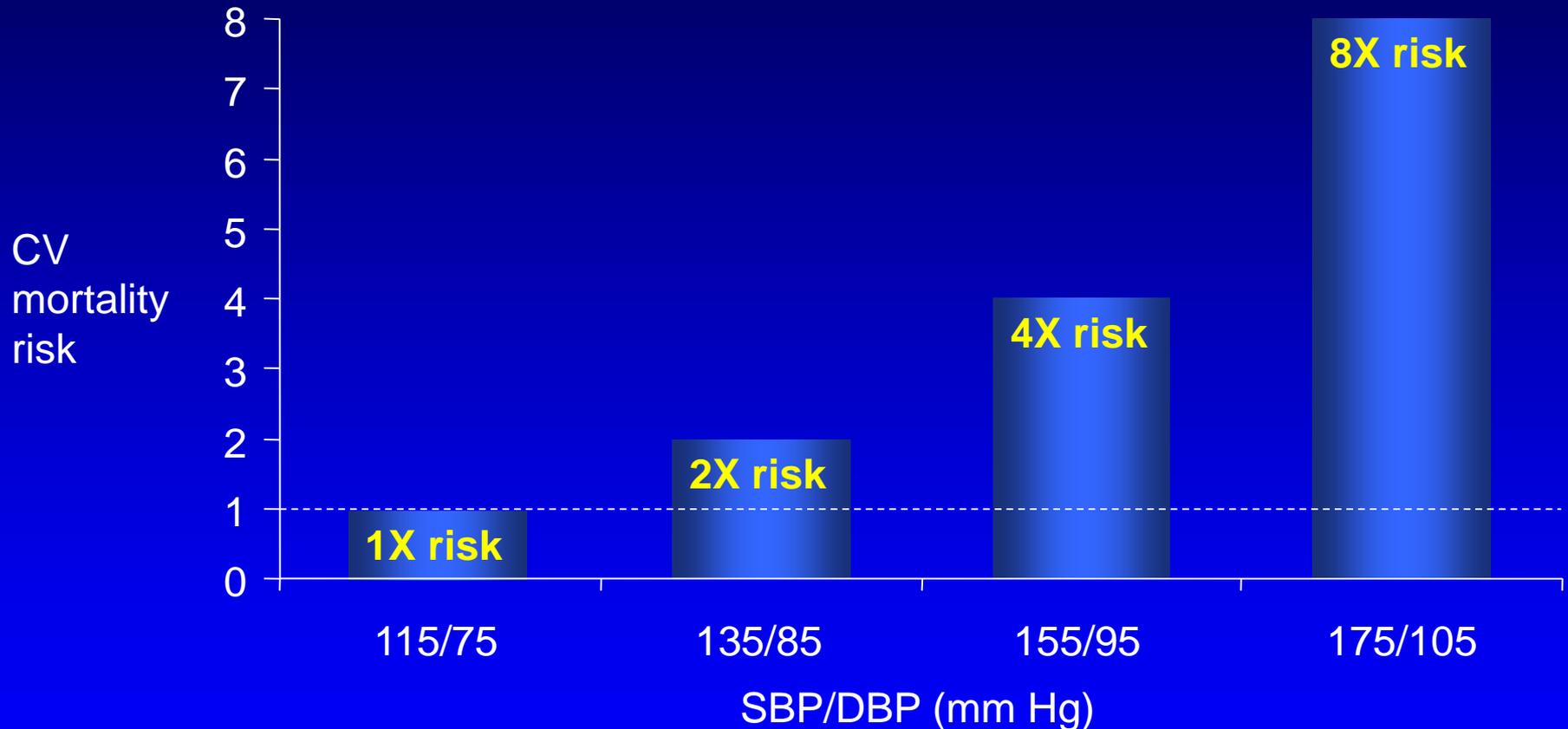


LVH, CHD, HF

TIA = transient ischemic attack; LVH = left ventricular hypertrophy; CHD = coronary heart disease; HF = heart failure.

Cushman WC. J Clin Hypertens. 2003;5(Suppl):14-22.

CV Mortality Risk Doubles with Each 20/10 mm Hg BP Increment*



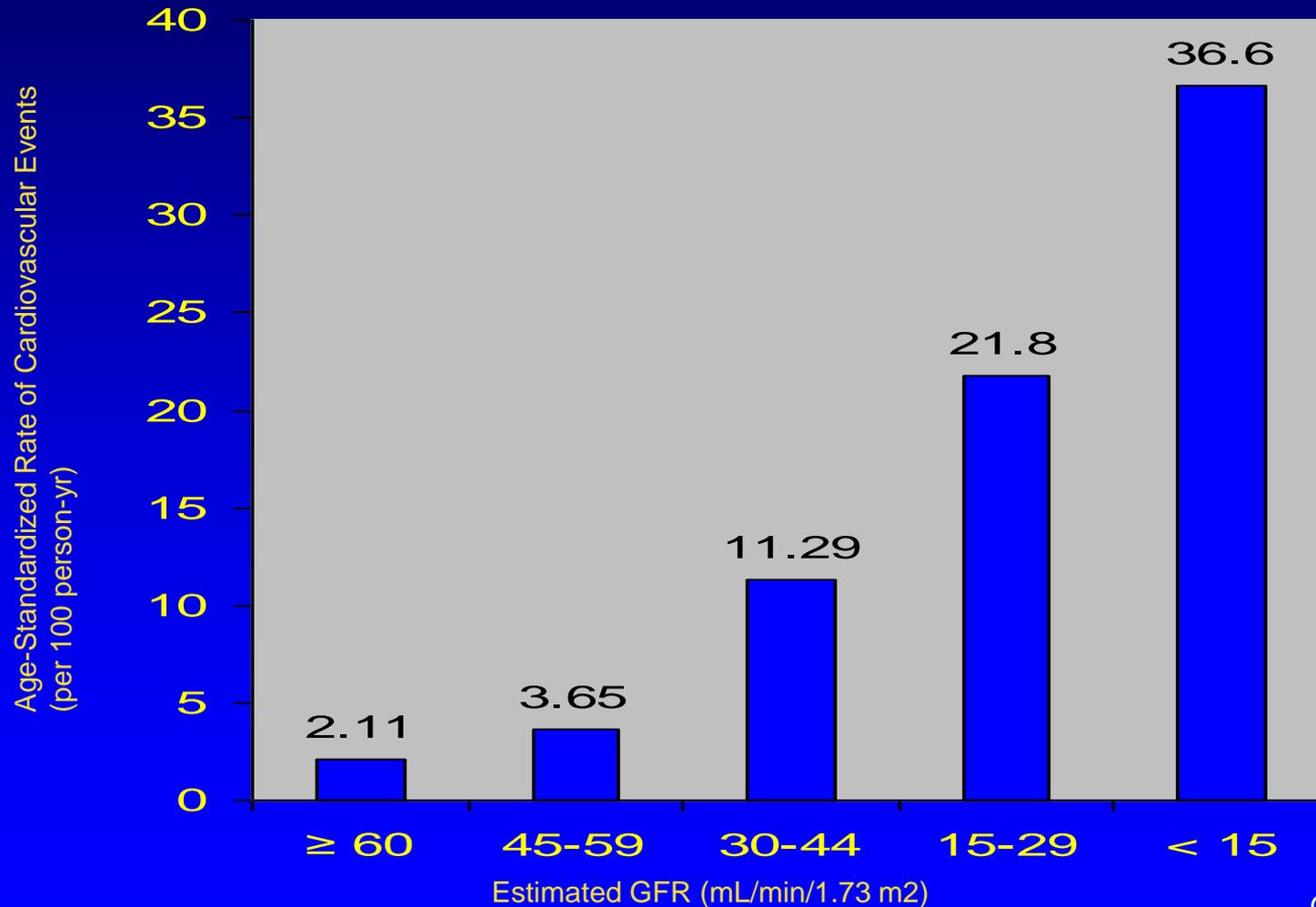
*Individuals aged 40-70 years, starting at BP 115/75 mm Hg.

CV, cardiovascular; SBP, systolic blood pressure; DBP, diastolic blood pressure

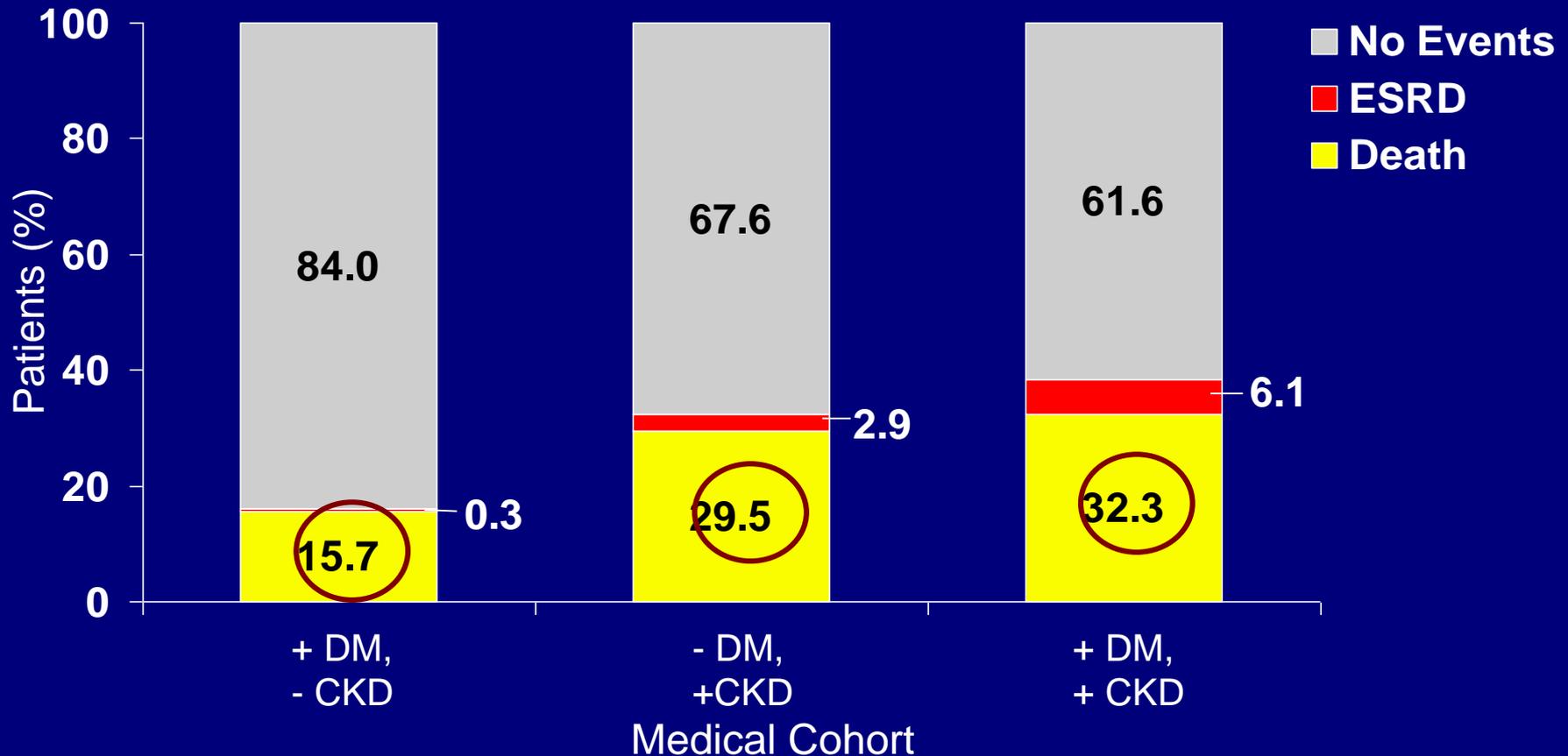
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Premature cardiovascular death is a major risk for people with CKD

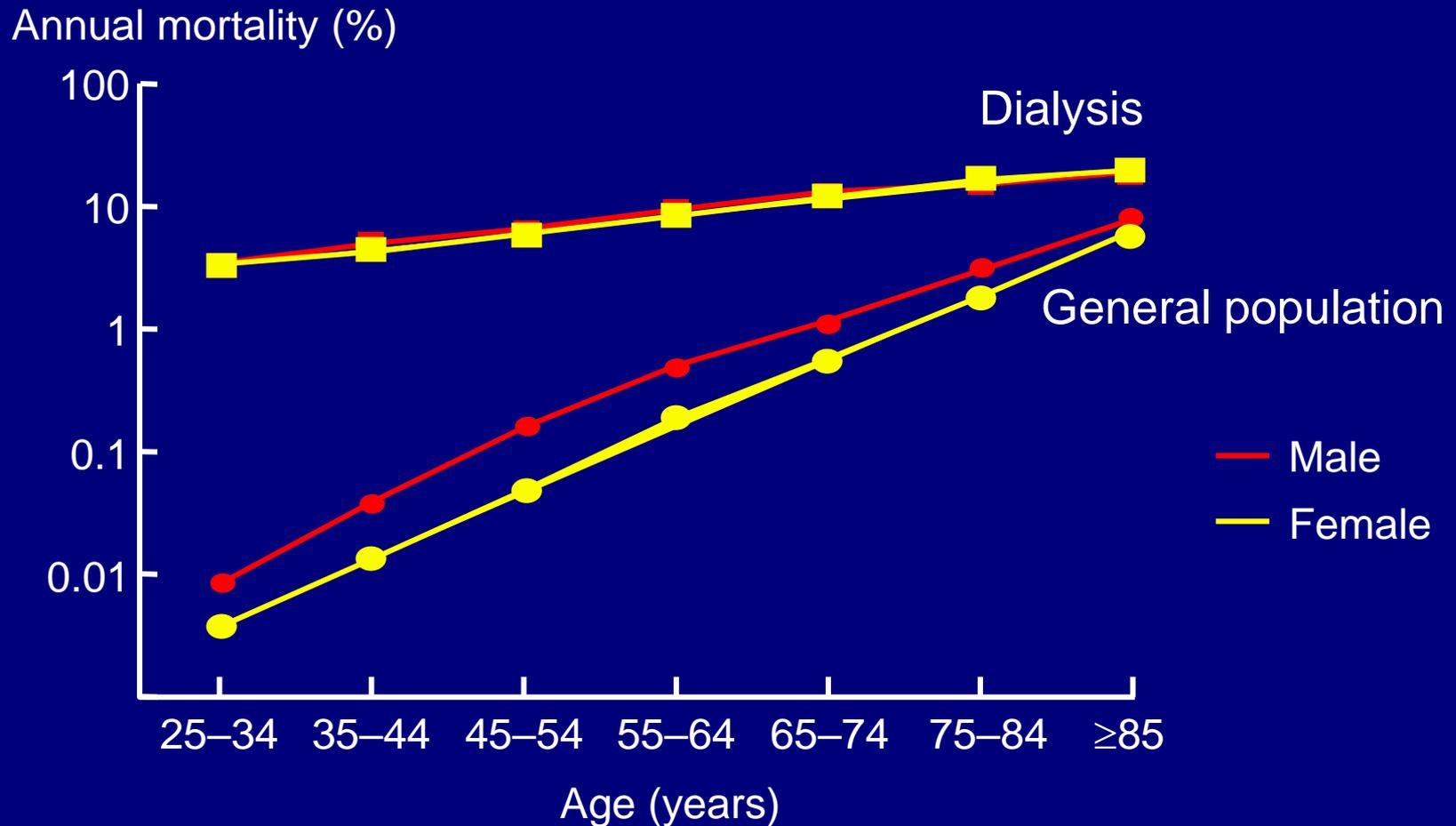


Patients with CKD are more likely to Die than go on Dialysis



“Only the lucky CKD patients reach ESRD.”

Cardiovascular Mortality in the General Population and in ESRD Treated by Dialysis

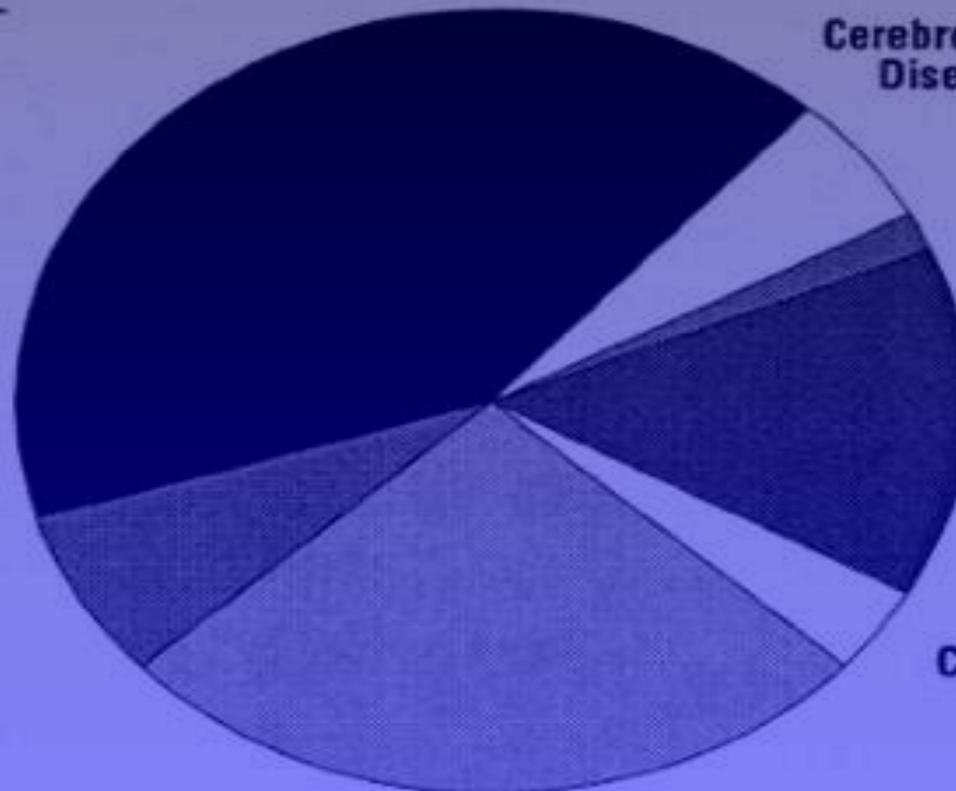


The most common cause of death among ESRD patients is CVD

Coronary Heart Disease (41%)

Acute MI (8.6%),
Atherosclerotic HD (3.4%),
Cardiomyopathy (3.8%),
Cardiac arrhythmia (5.2%)
Cardiac arrest (20.4%)

Unknown (7%)



Cerebrovascular Disease (6%)

Other Heart Disease (2%)

Infection (15%)

Cancer (4%)

Other (26%)

Fig 5. Causes of death among period prevalent patients 1997–1999, treated with hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis, or kidney transplantation. Data are from the USRDS 2001 Annual Data Report (www.usrds.org). Abbreviations: MI, myocardial infarction; HD, heart disease.



Dialysis Facts from the US Renal Data System (USRDS)

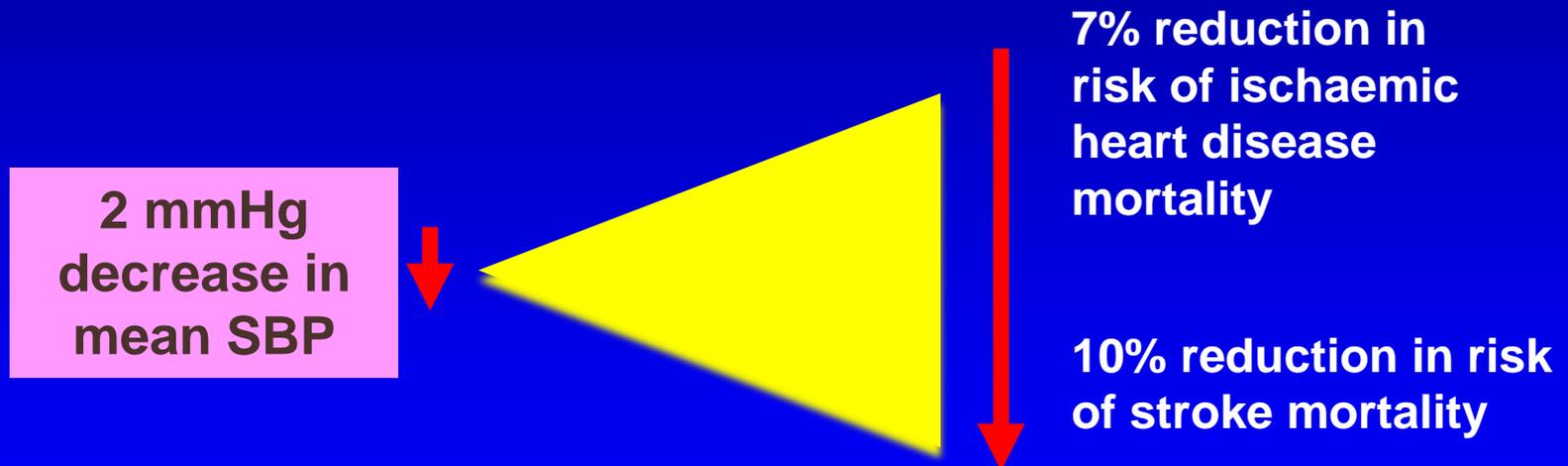
- A **40-year old** who starts dialysis will have an expected survival of **9.3** years compared to **37.4** years for the general population.
- The situation is even worse for the **59-year old** who has just a **4.3**-year life expectancy compared to **20.4** years for someone in the general population.

Treatment of Hypertension

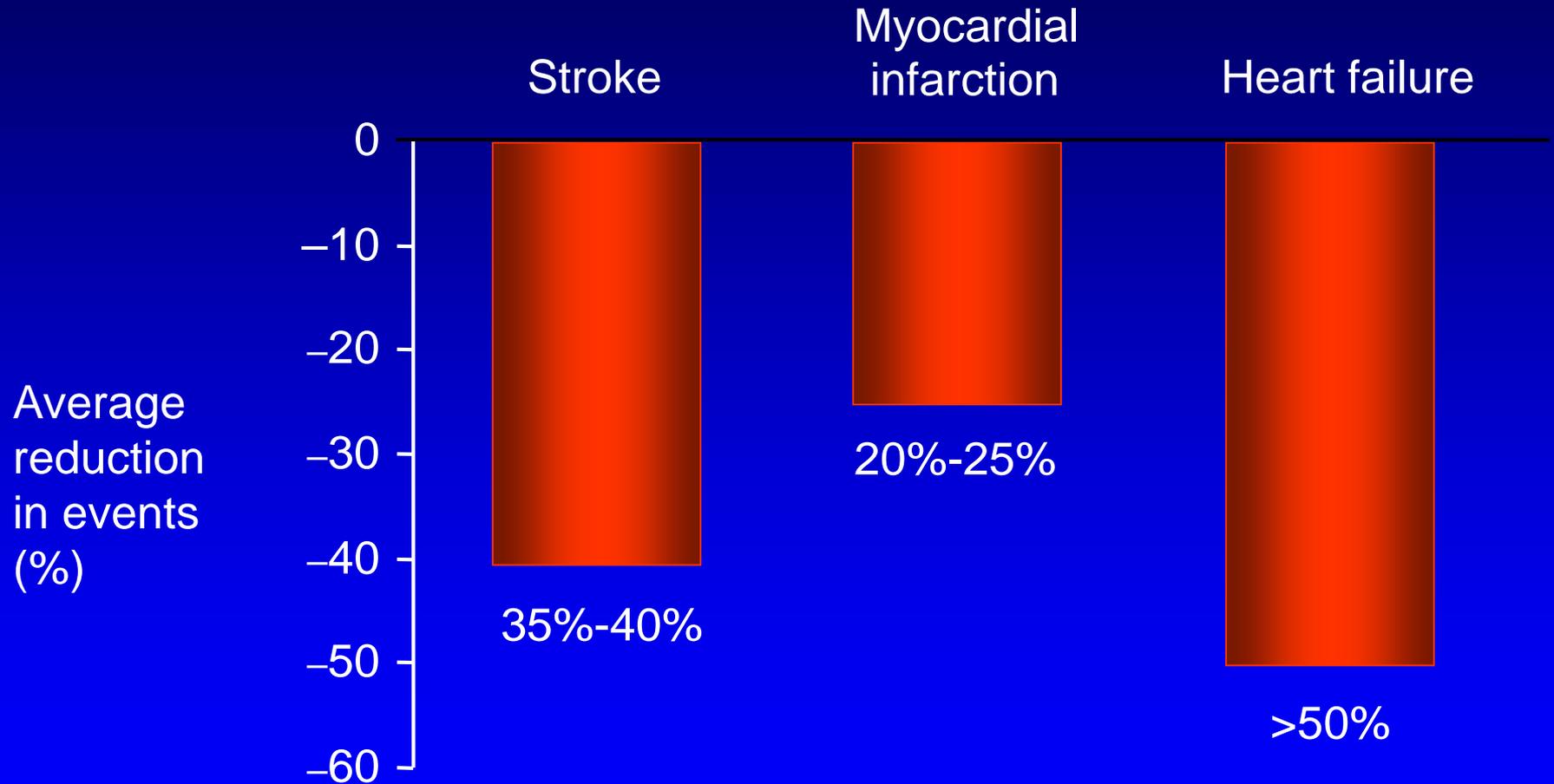
Controlling BP with medication is unquestionably one of the most cost-effective methods of reducing premature CV morbidity and mortality.

Blood Pressure Reduction of 2 mmHg Decreases the Risk of Cardiovascular Events by 7–10%

- Meta-analysis of 61 prospective, observational studies
- 1 million adults
- 12.7 million person-years



Long-Term Antihypertensive Therapy Significantly Reduces CV Events



Treatment Goals of Hypertension in CKD Patients

*Protection against progressive
renal function loss*

Progression of chronic kidney disease

- CKD progression as defined by a reduction in **GFR**, occurs at a variable rate,
 - ranging from <1 to >12 mL/min per 1.73 m² per year,
- ***This progression depends upon:***
 - the level of blood pressure control,
 - the degree of proteinuria,
 - the previous rate of GFR decline,
 - And the underlying kidney disease, including diabetes

Pathophysiology: CKD Progression

Hyperfiltration theory: *The Final Common Pathway*

RENAL INJURY

Reduction in nephron mass (Hyperfiltration of remaining nephron \uparrow SNGFR)

1. Glomerular capillary hypertension

Increased glomerular permeability to macromolecules

3. Increased BP

Increased filtration of plasma proteins

2. Proteinuria

Excessive tubular protein reabsorption

Tubulointerstitial inflammation

RENAL SCARRING

Progression of CKD

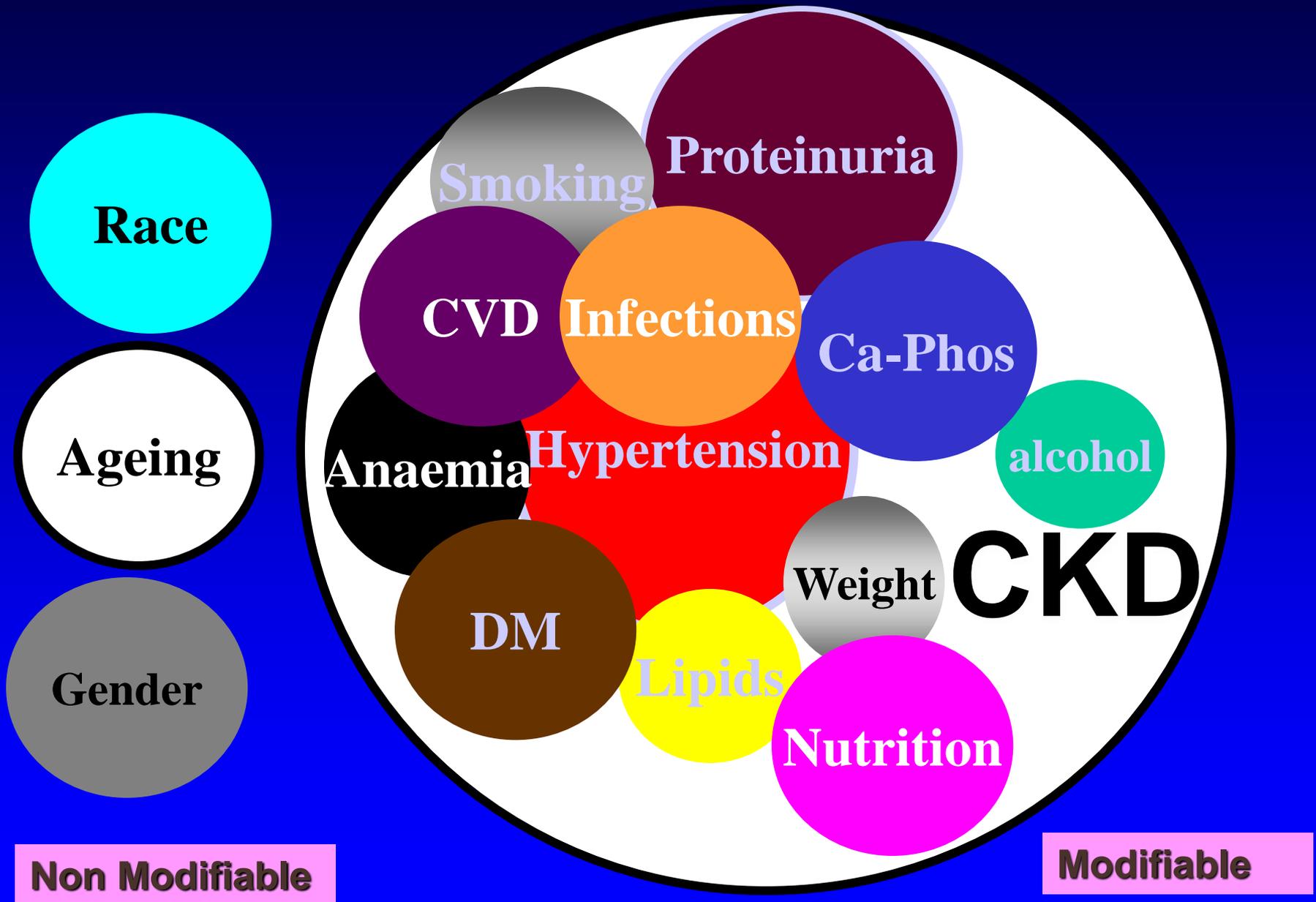
Regardless of CKD Etiology

the prognosis best correlates

with the

degree of renal interstitial fibrosis

Risk Factors / Markers for progressive CKD

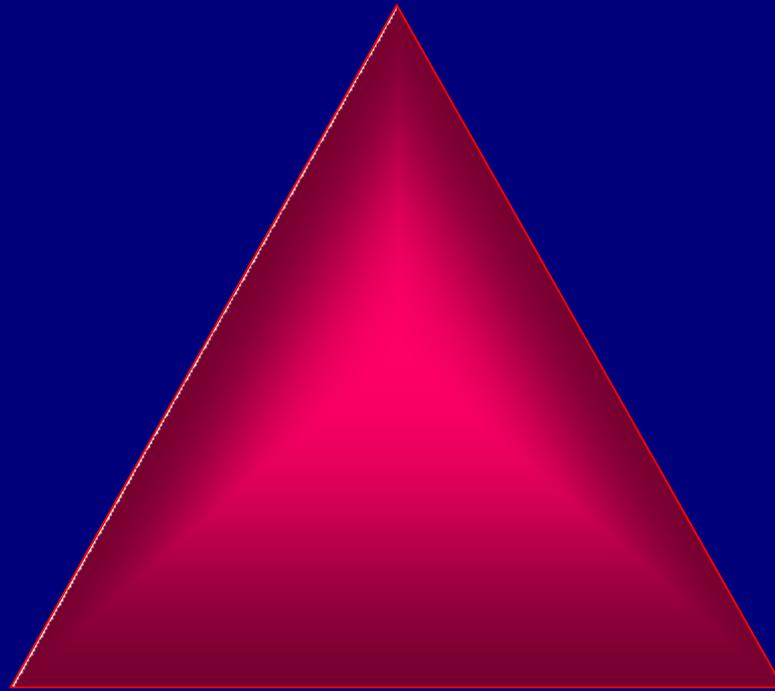


The Renal Injury Triad

Angiotensin II

Hypertension

Proteinuria

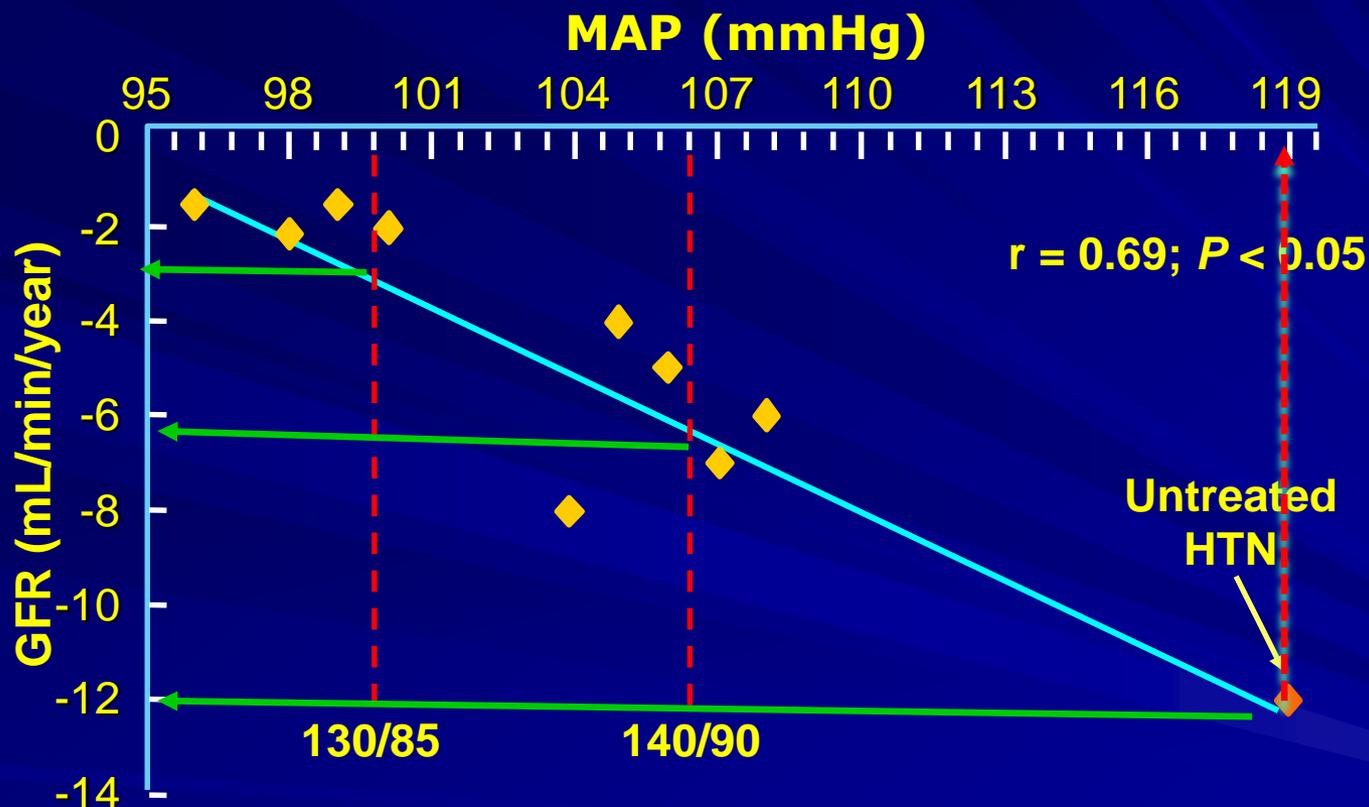


Progression of chronic kidney disease

*There are **Two Major** components to slowing the rate of progression of CKD:*

- Treatment of the underlying disease, if possible **!!!**
- **Treatment of secondary factors that are predictive of progression:**
 - Elevated blood pressure
 - Proteinuria

Long-term Decline in GFR is Correlated With Poor Control of BP



9 Studies on Nephropathy Progression in Diabetics and Non-Diabetics

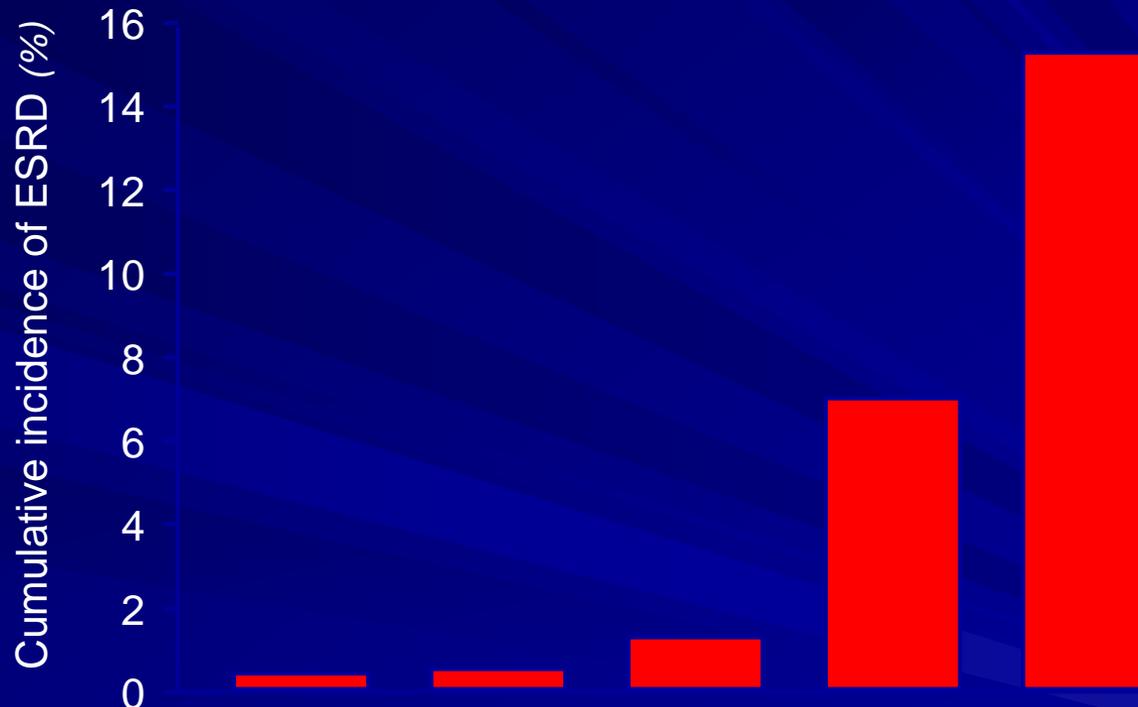
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Proteinuria Predicts Risk for ESRD?

Community-based screening in 106,177 General Population : Follow-up: 17 years



Proteinuria

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≥3+

Number of screened

86,253

10,000

4,007

1,072

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Number of ESRD

185

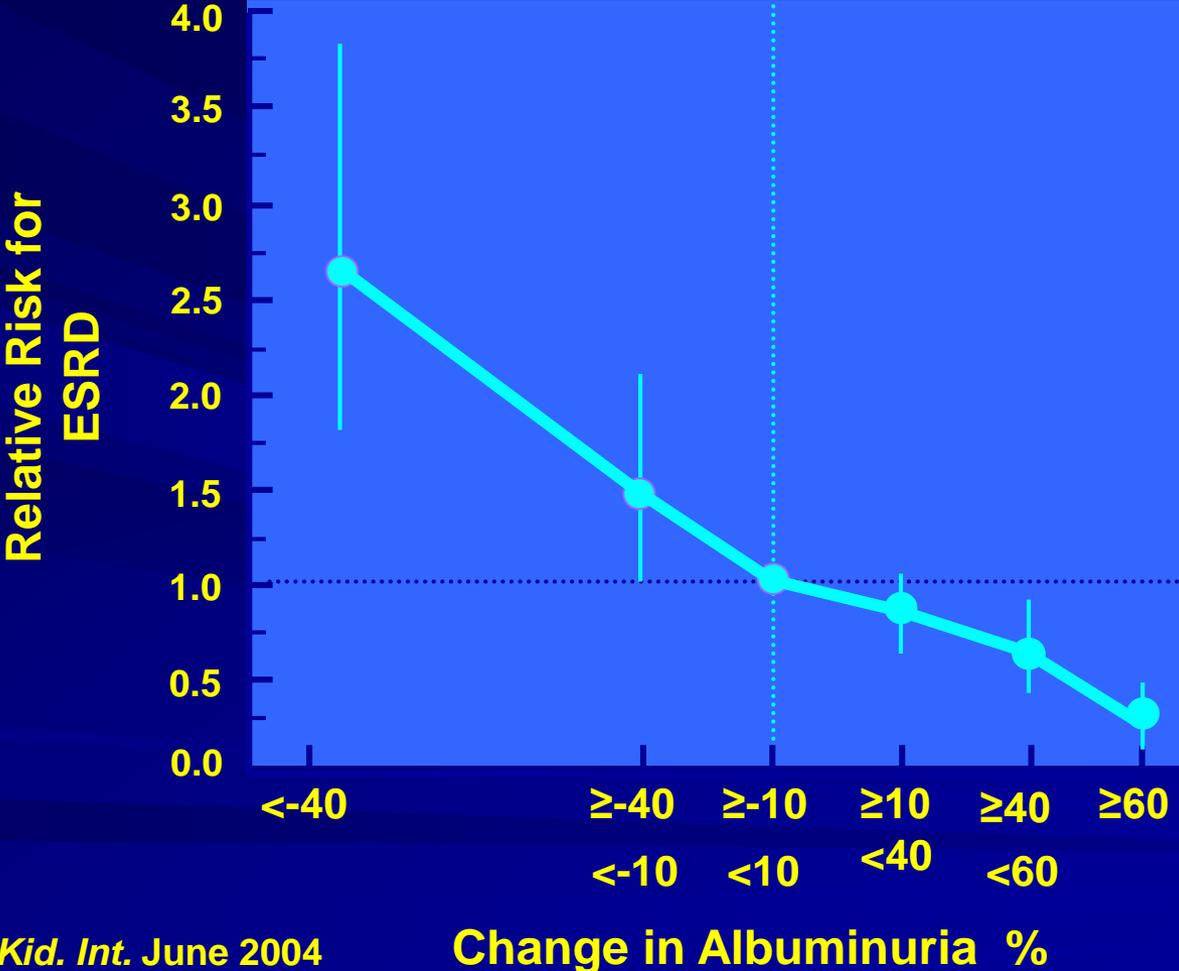
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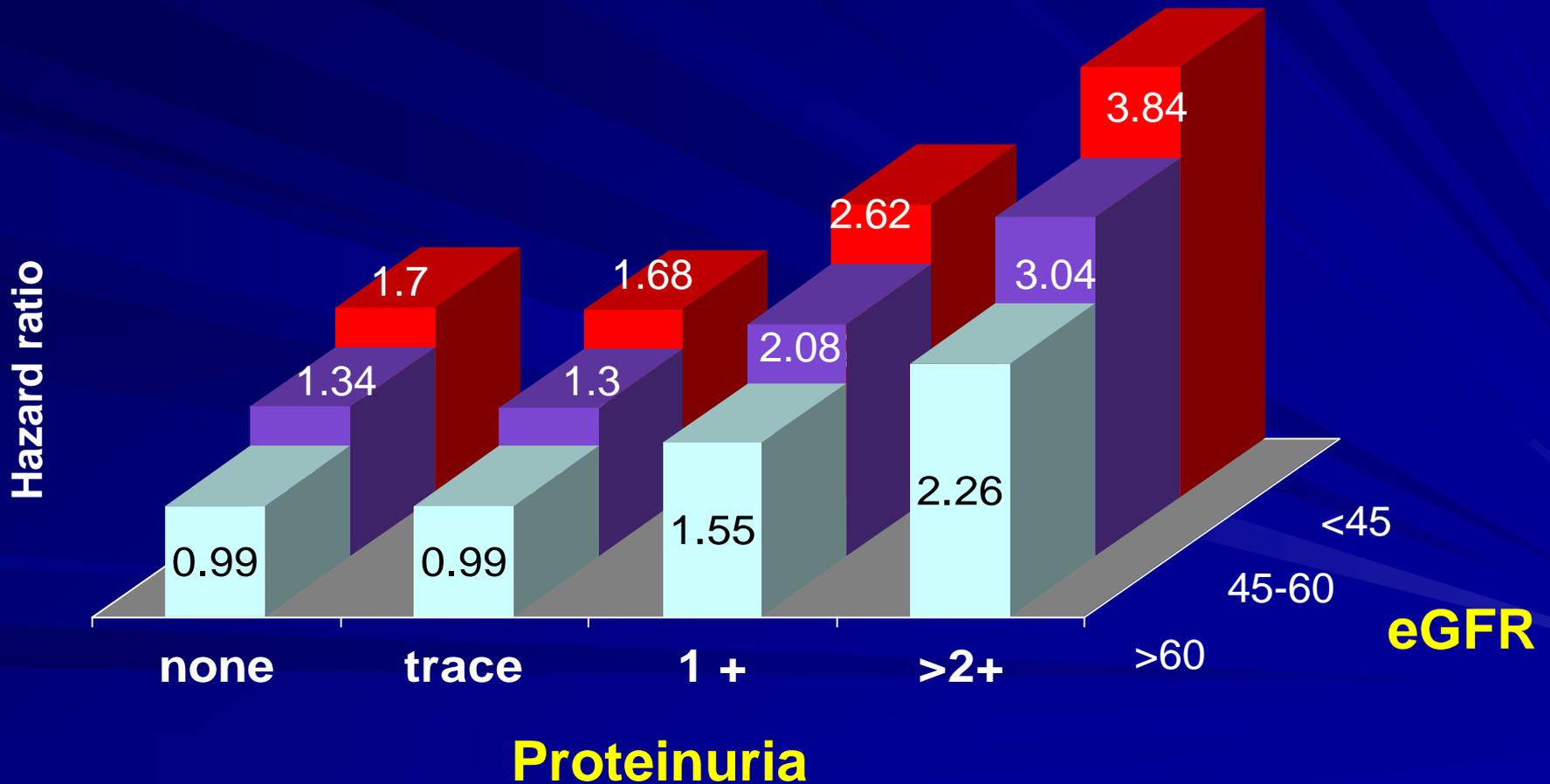
Reduction in Proteinuria is Associated with Reduced Risk for ESRD in Diabetic Nephropathy



de Zeeuw et al. *Kid. Int.* June 2004

Change in Albuminuria %

Relationship of Proteinuria, eGFR and Mortality



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Angiotensin II

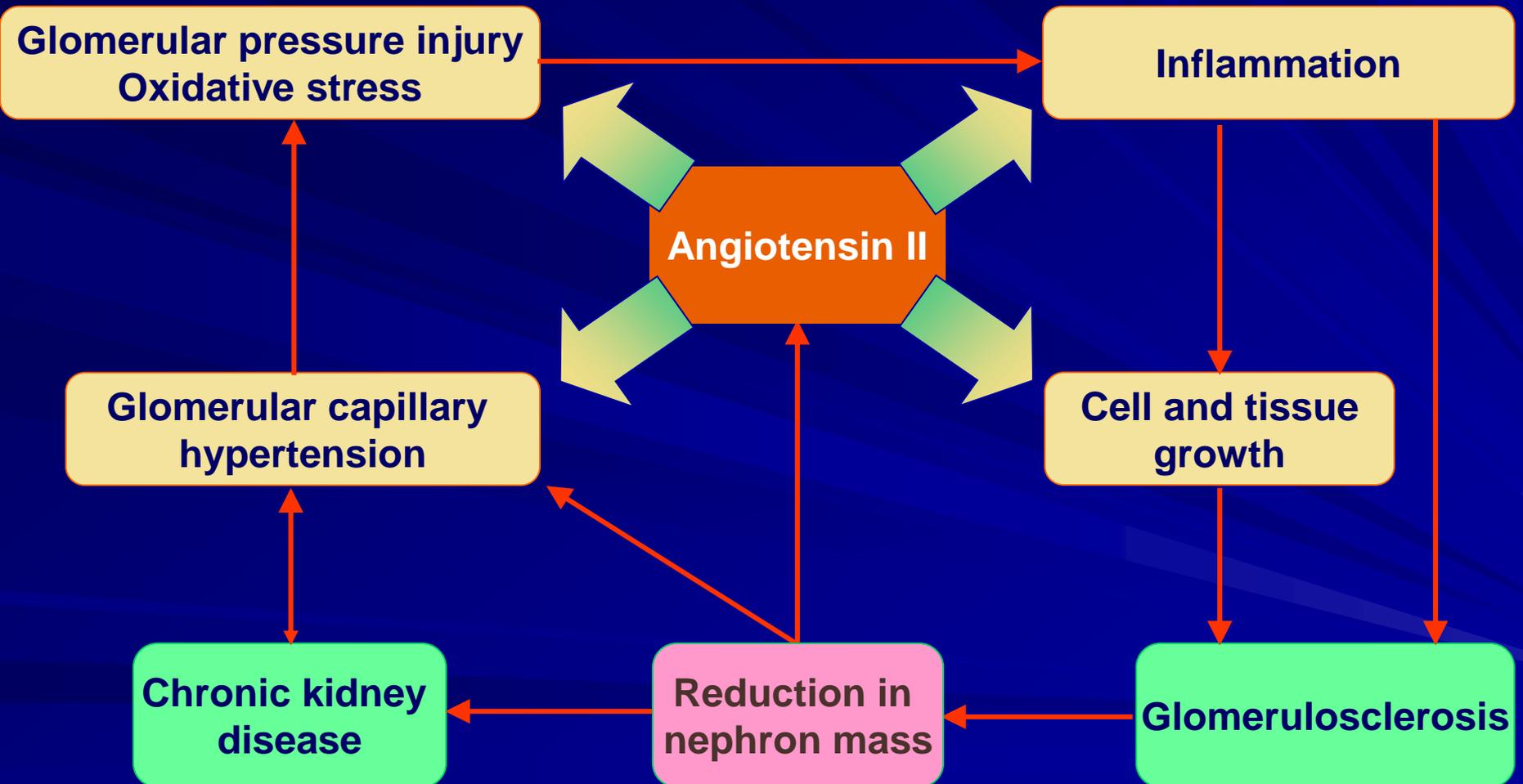
RAAS Blockade



Hypertension

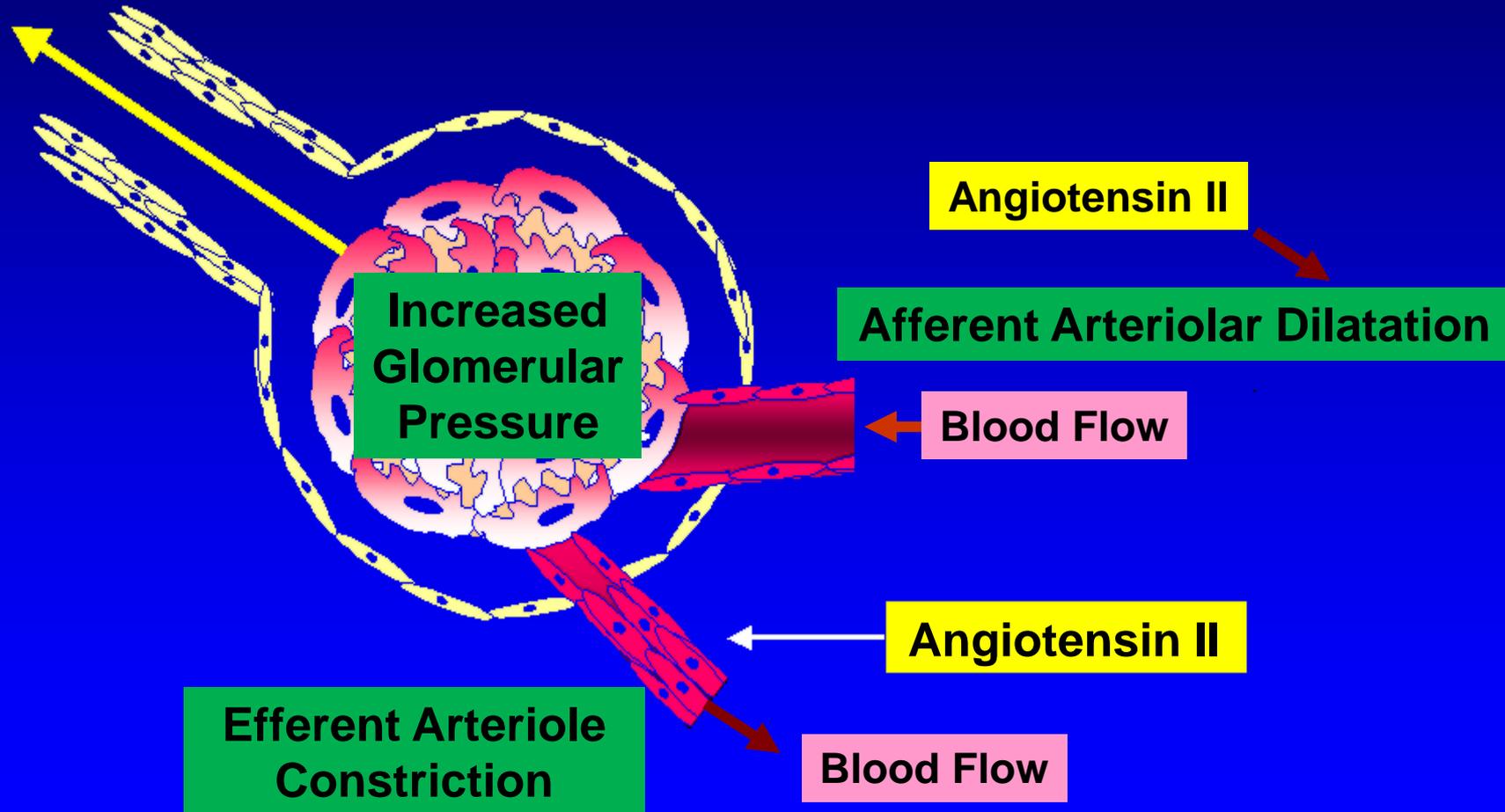
Proteinuria

Angiotensin II is central to the pathophysiology of renal disease

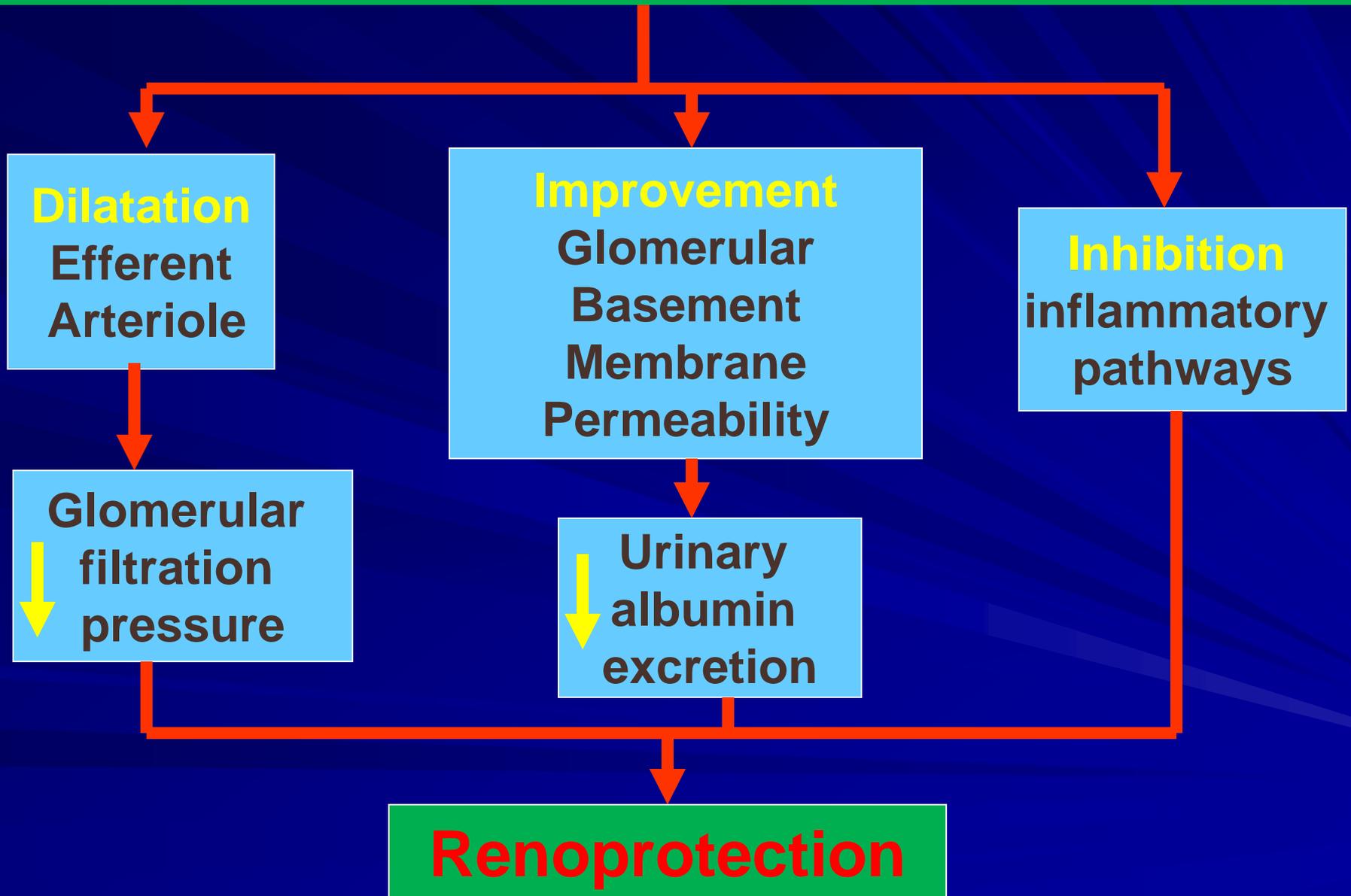


Theoretical Hemodynamic Role of Angiotensin II in Diabetic Glomerular Injury

Increased Albuminuria



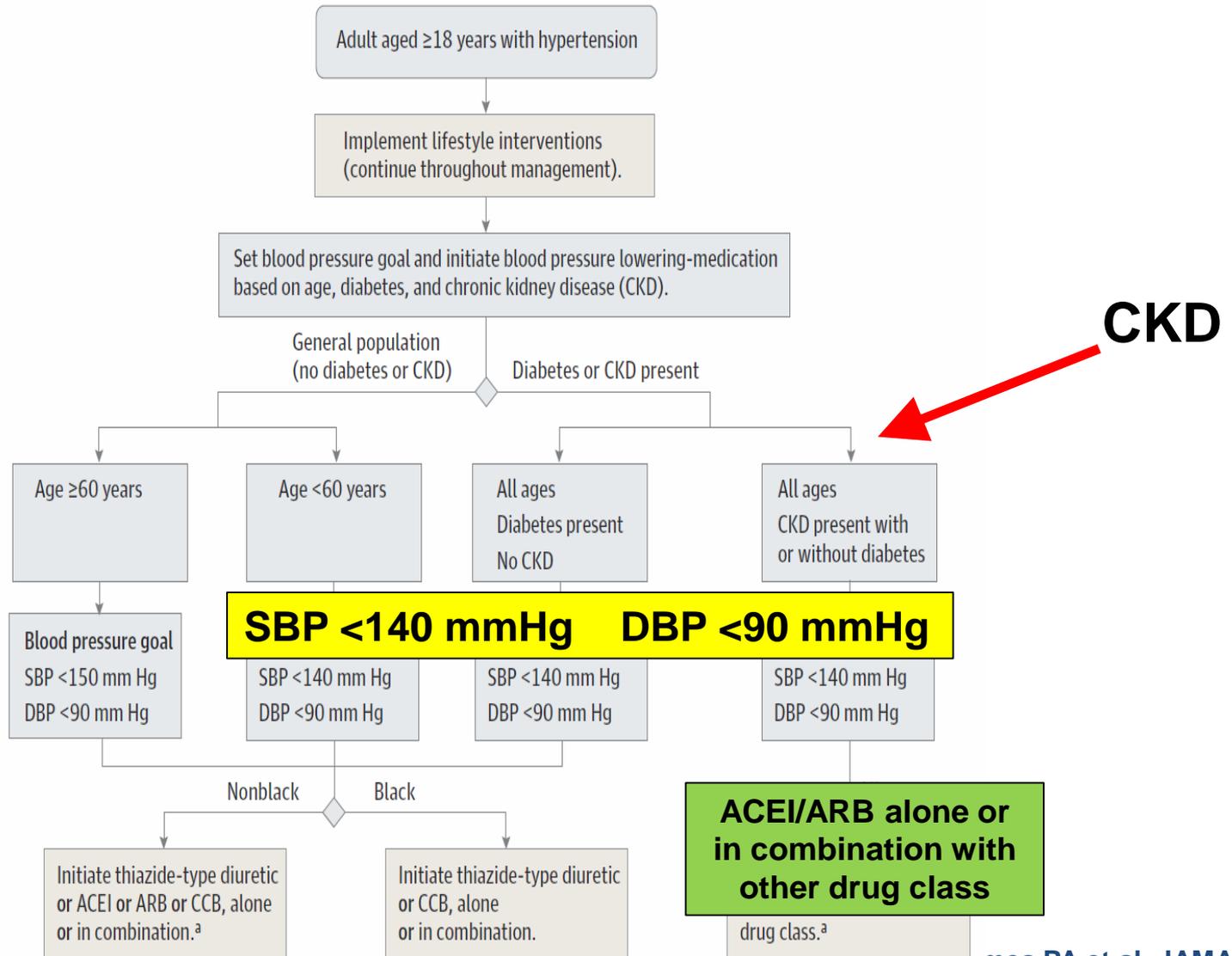
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Management of Hypertension in CKD Patients

- Blood pressure goal
- Non-pharmacological treatment
 - Pharmacological treatment

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Other risk factors, asymptomatic organ damage or disease	Blood Pressure (mmHg)			
	High normal SBP 130–139 or DBP 85–89	Grade 1 HT SBP 140–159 or DBP 90–99	Grade 2 HT SBP 160–179 or DBP 100–109	Grade 3 HT SBP ≥180 or DBP ≥110
No other RF	• No BP intervention	• Lifestyle changes for several months • Then add BP drugs targeting <140/90	• Lifestyle changes for several weeks • Then add BP drugs targeting <140/90	• Lifestyle changes • Immediate BP drugs targeting <140/90
1–2 RF	• Lifestyle changes • No BP intervention	• Lifestyle changes for several weeks • Then add BP drugs targeting <140/90	• Lifestyle changes for several weeks • Then add BP drugs targeting <140/90	• Lifestyle changes • Immediate BP drugs targeting <140/90
≥3 RF	• Lifestyle changes • No BP intervention	• Lifestyle changes for several weeks • Then add BP drugs targeting <140/90	• Lifestyle changes • BP drugs targeting <140/90	• Lifestyle changes • Immediate BP drugs targeting <140/90
OD, CKD stage 3 or diabetes	• Lifestyle changes • No BP intervention	• Lifestyle changes • BP drugs	• Lifestyle changes • BP drugs	• Lifestyle changes • Immediate BP drugs
Symptomatic CVD, CKD stage ≥4 or diabetes with OD/RFs	• Lifestyle changes • No BP intervention	• Lifestyle changes • BP drugs targeting <140/90	• Lifestyle changes • BP drugs targeting <140/90	• Lifestyle changes • Immediate BP drugs targeting <140/90

SBP <140 mmHg DBP <90 mmHg

CKD



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Type of kidney disease	Protein excretion < 0.3 g/day (normoalbuminuria, microalbuminuria, 30–150 mg/day)	Protein excretion 0.3–1 g/day (microalbuminuria 150–300 mg/day, macroalbuminuria 300–500 mg/day)	Protein excretion > 1 g/day (macroalbuminuria > 500 mg/day)
Non-diabetic kidney disease	< 140/90 mm Hg	< 130/80 mm Hg	<125/75 mm Hg*
Diabetic kidney disease	SBP < 130–140 mm Hg** DBP < 80 mm Hg**	< 130/80 mm Hg***	<130/80 mm Hg*** (<125/75 mm Hg*** for young patients with heavy proteinuria)

*As evident from MDRD study B trial phase and MDRD long-term study (see text); **from cardiovascular outcome trials (see text); ***through extrapolation from data in non-diabetic CKD and post-hoc or observational analyses in diabetic CKD (see text)



- **Non-diabetic adults with CKD:**
≤140 mmHg systolic and ≤90 mmHg diastolic if normoalbuminuric
≤130 mmHg systolic and ≤80 mmHg diastolic if micro or macroalbuminuric
- **Diabetic adults with non dialysis-dependent CKD:**
≤140 mmHg systolic and ≤90 mmHg diastolic if normoalbuminuric
≤130 mmHg systolic and ≤80 mmHg diastolic if micro or macroalbuminuric
- **Kidney transplant recipients:**
≤130 mmHg systolic and ≤80 mmHg diastolic
- **Elderly people with CKD:**
probably ≤130 mmHg systolic and ≤90 mmHg diastolic, but set targets after consideration of co-morbidities

Aim for <130/80 mmHg if albuminuria is present

Blood Pressure Goals in CKD

There is little evidence among patients with CKD that a BP goal of less than 130/80mmHg saves lives, saves kidneys or reduces cardiovascular events.

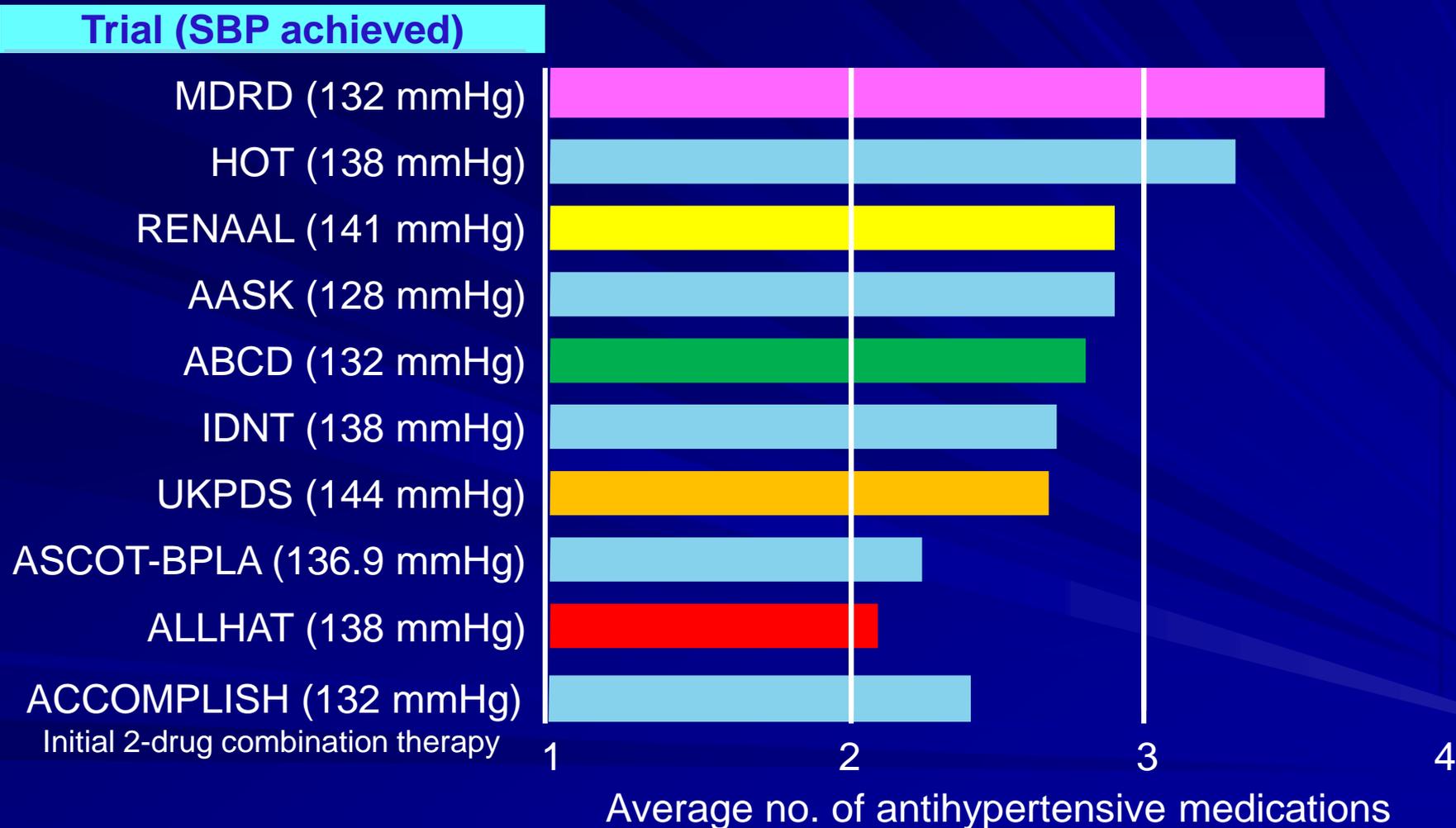
Nonetheless, BP control is important. Therefore, as in the general population, BP should be targeted to less than 140/90mmHg.

Hypertension therapy personalized and individualized using home BP monitoring holds great promise.

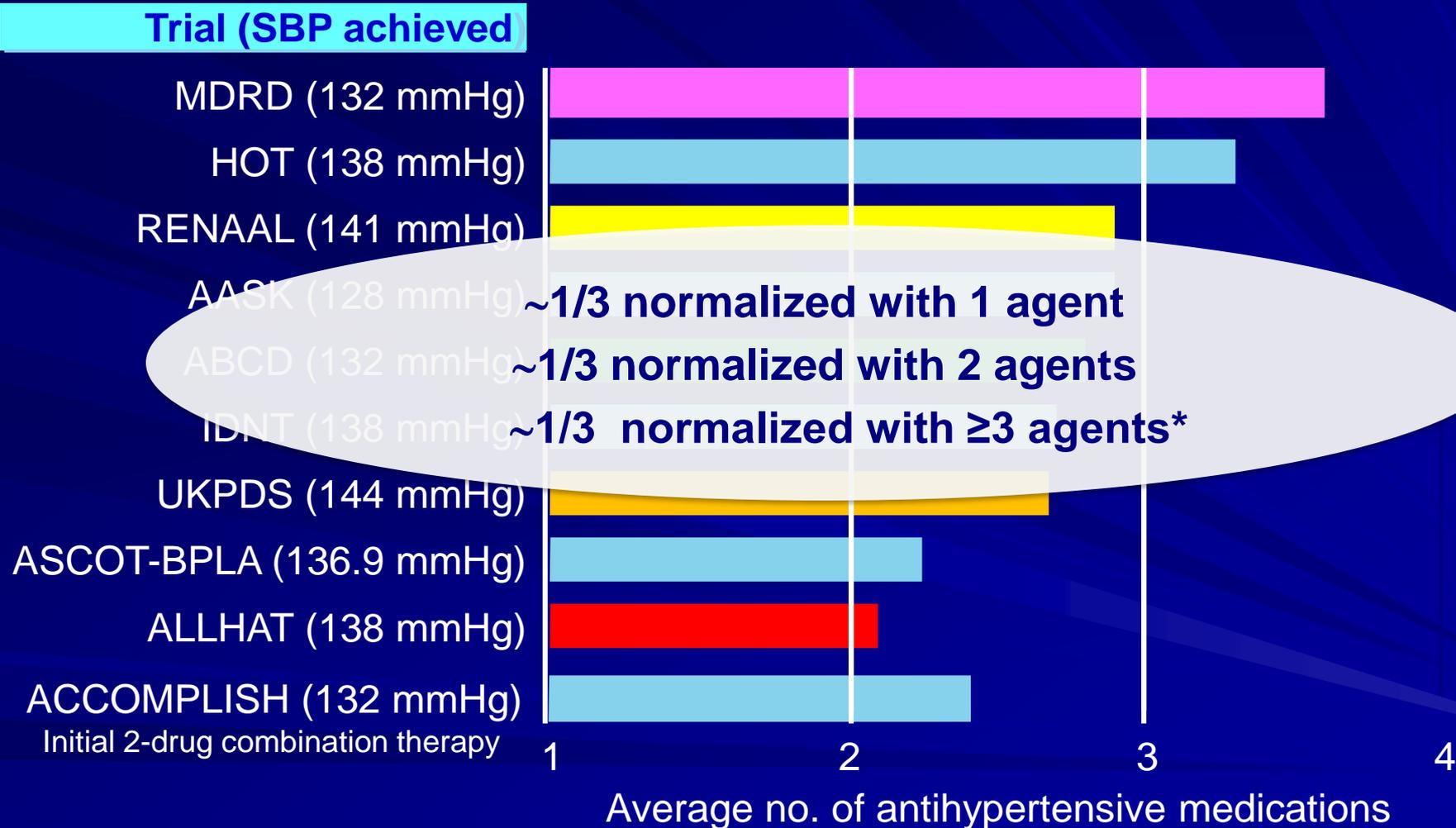
Management of Hypertension in CKD Patients

- Blood pressure goal
- **Pharmacological treatment**

Multiple Antihypertensive Agents are Needed to Reach BP Goal

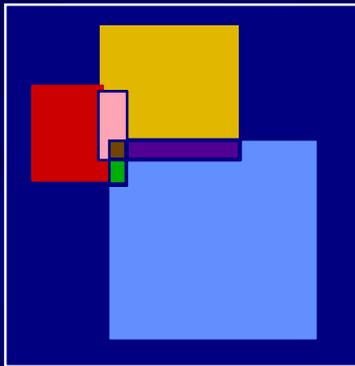


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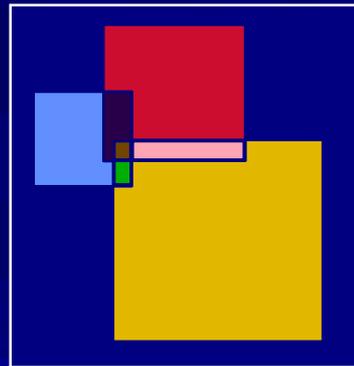


Blood Pressure has Multiple Regulatory Pathways

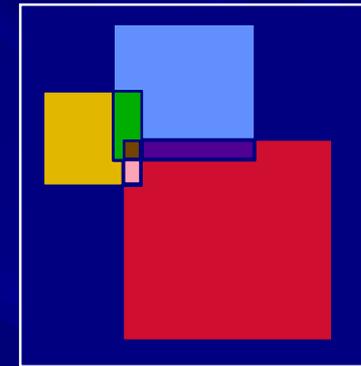
Patient 1



Patient 2

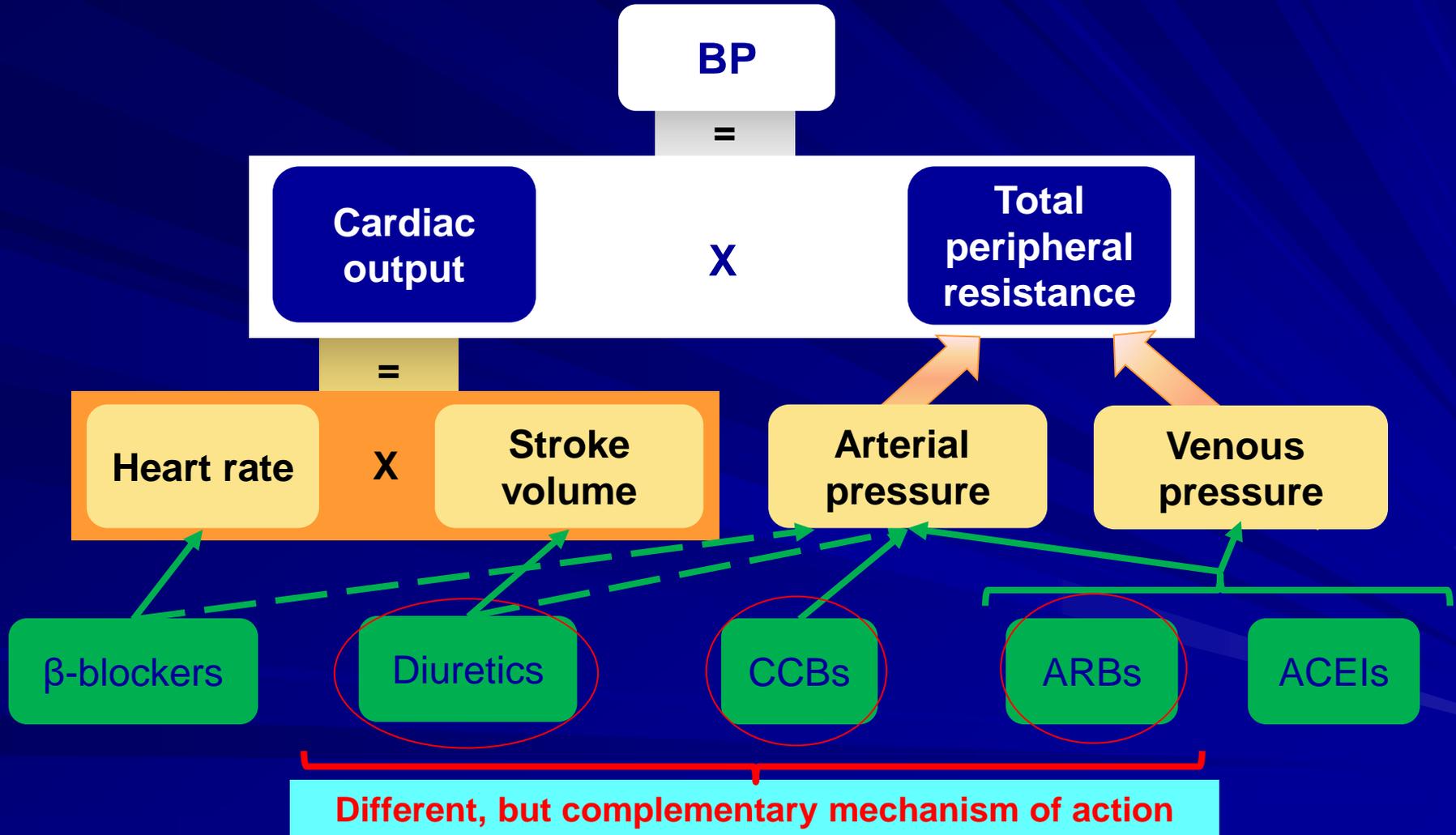


Patient 3



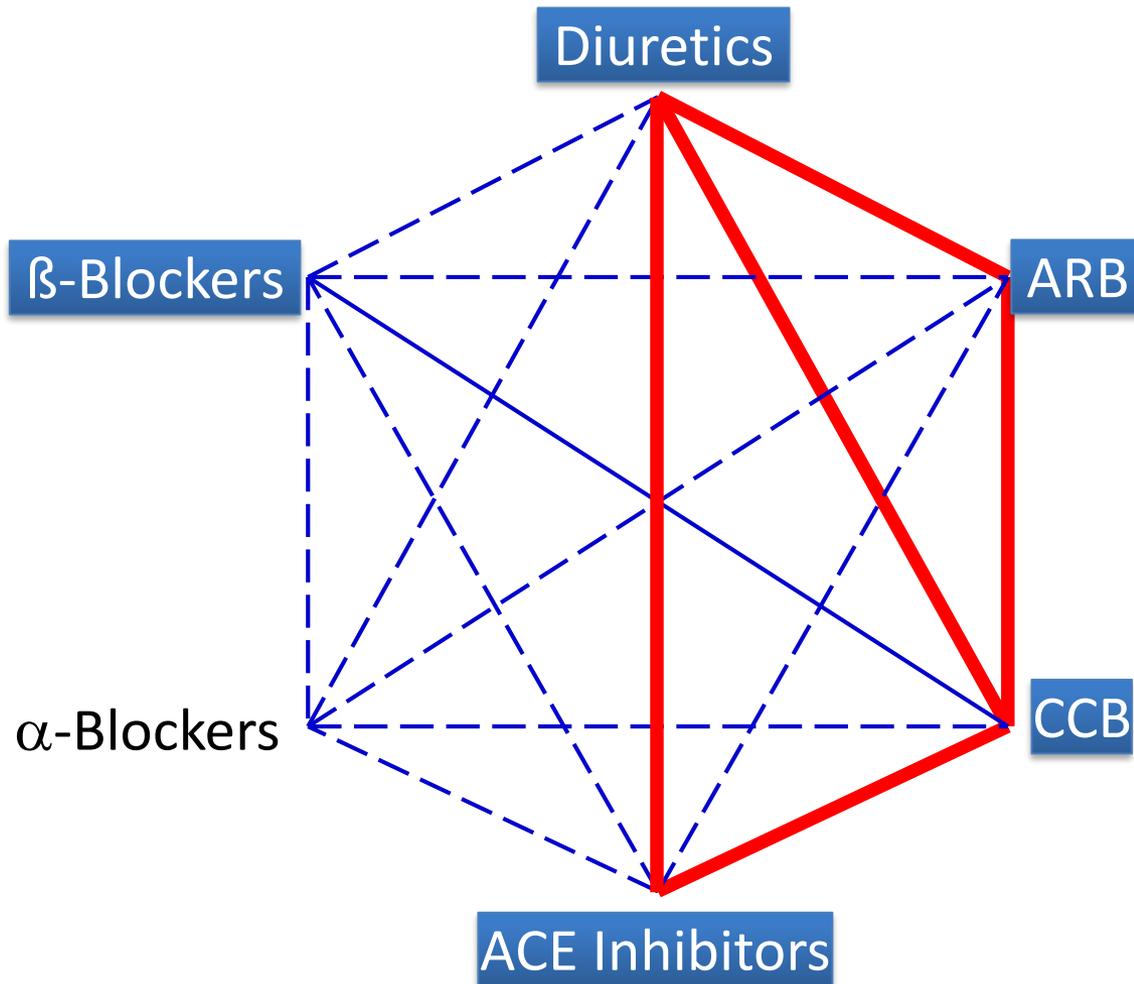
-  Sympathetic nervous system
-  Renin-angiotensin system (**RAAS**)
-  Total body sodium (Volume)

Different Classes of Drugs have Different Sites of Action



ESH/ESC 2009 vs. 2007

first-line antihypertensives and combination therapy



— most rational combinations

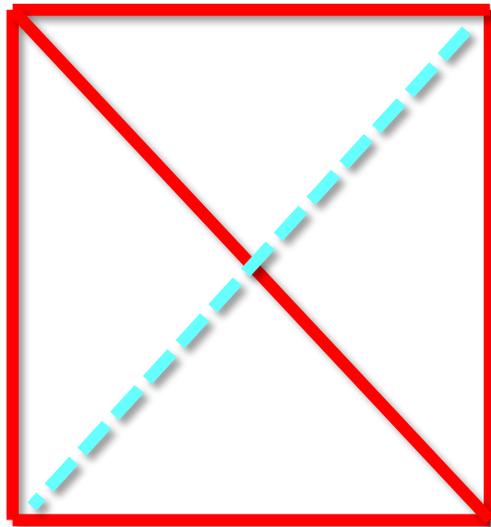
ESH/ESC, J Hypertens 2007;25:1105–87
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ESH/ESC 2009: Recommendations for Dual Combination Therapy

Diuretic

ARB

Note that among the four groups of antihypertensives only the combination of ARB and ACE-I is not recommended



ACE-I

CCB

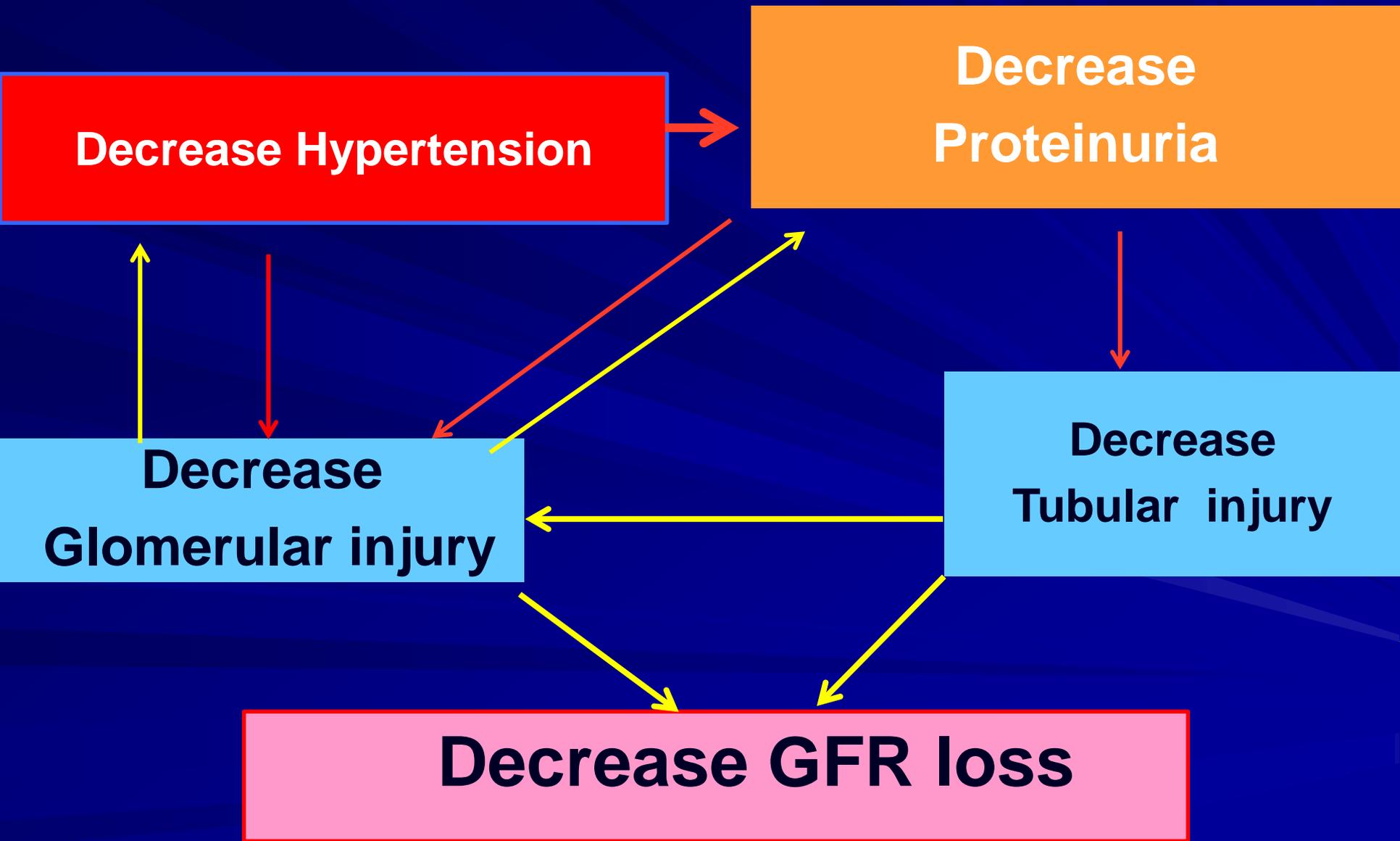
Advantages of Fixed Versus Free Combinations of Two Antihypertensive Drugs

	Fixed	Free
Simplicity of treatment	+	-
Compliance	+	-
Efficacy	+	+
Tolerability	+*	-
Price	+	-
Flexibility	-	+

*Lower doses generally used in fixed-dose combinations

+ = potential advantage

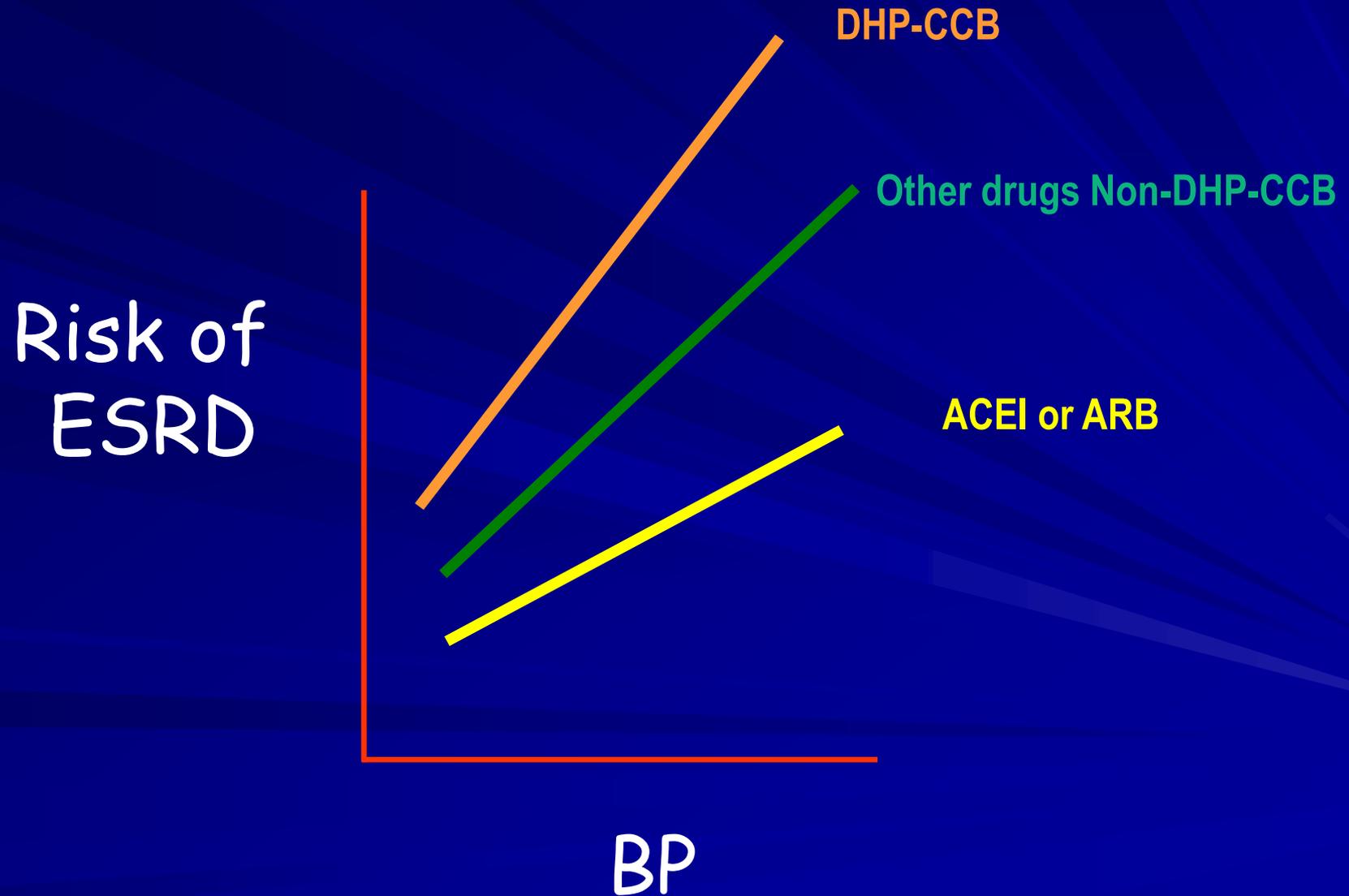
Renoprotection: One or Many Therapies ?



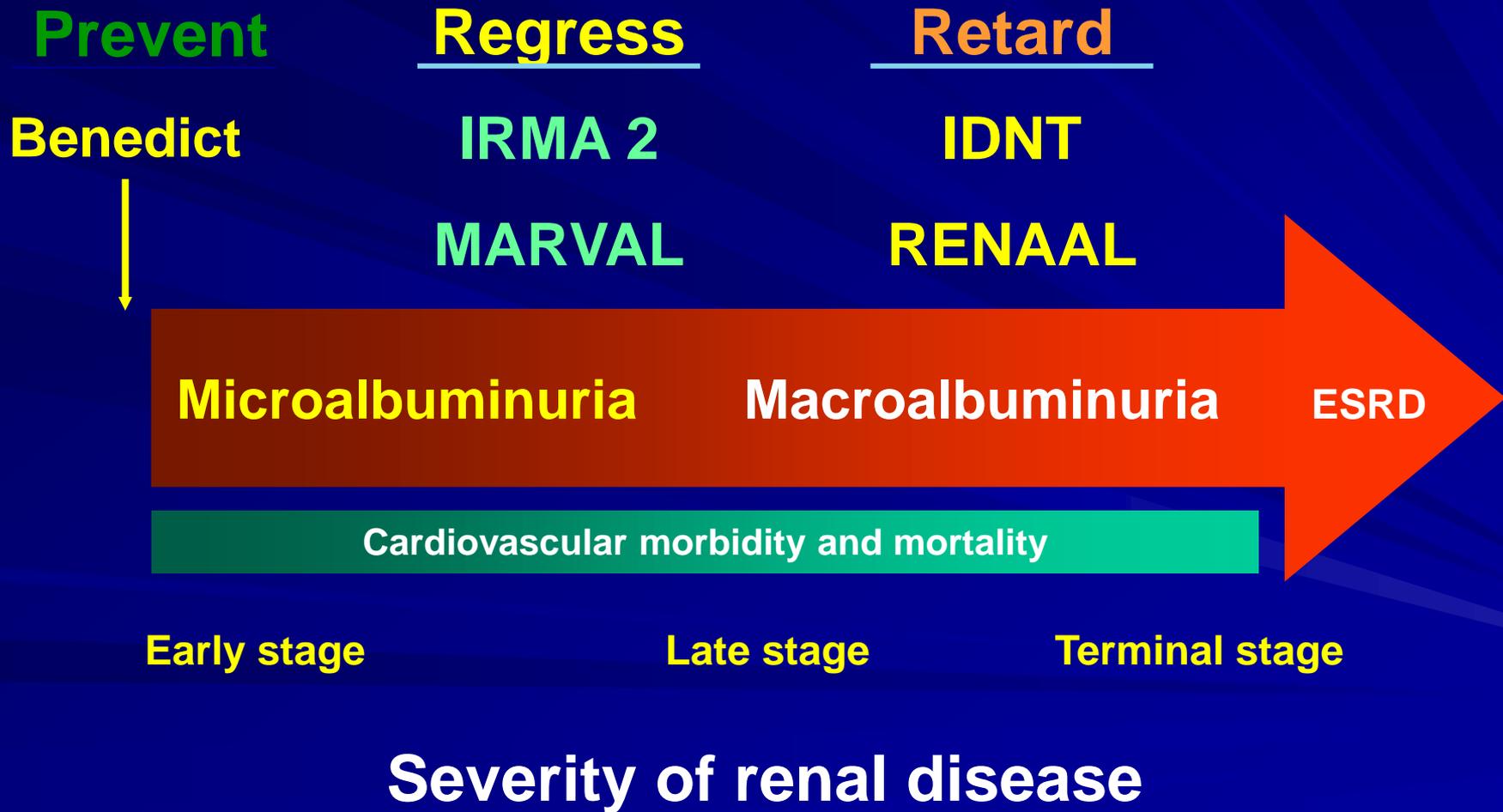
Proteinuria Reduction and Choice of Antihypertensive

- **ACE Inhibitors and ARBs**
 - equivalent 30-40% reduction; effect greater when exposed to a diuretic or salt restricted diet
- **Non-dihydropyridine calcium antagonists**
 - 20 - 30% reduction (variable)
- **Diuretics, beta-blockers, alpha-blockers**
 - variable, small reduction
- **Dihydropyridine calcium antagonists**
 - variable, may increase protein excretion

Renal protection beyond BP?



Renoprotection



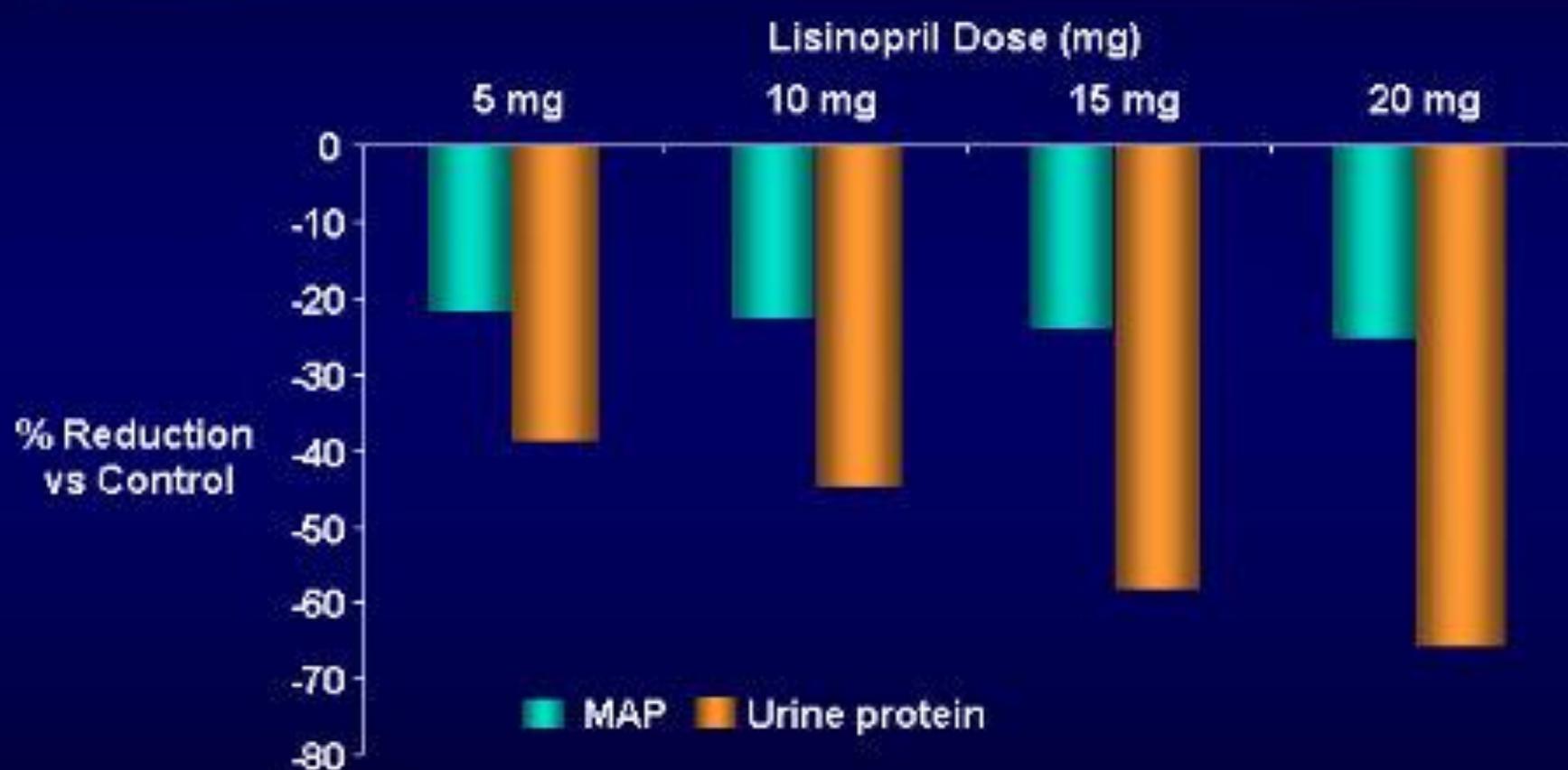
Prevent: BENEDICT Study in Type 2 DM

- This is the largest study ever to compare an ACE I with a calcium channel blocker.
- 1204 patients
- 3 years of treatment with
 - trandolapril alone,
 - trandolapril and verapamil combined,
 - verapamil alone,
 - or placebo.
- In normoalbuminuric patients with type 2 diabetes and hypertension (BP >130/85 mm Hg), treatment with ACEI prevents development of microalbuminuria.

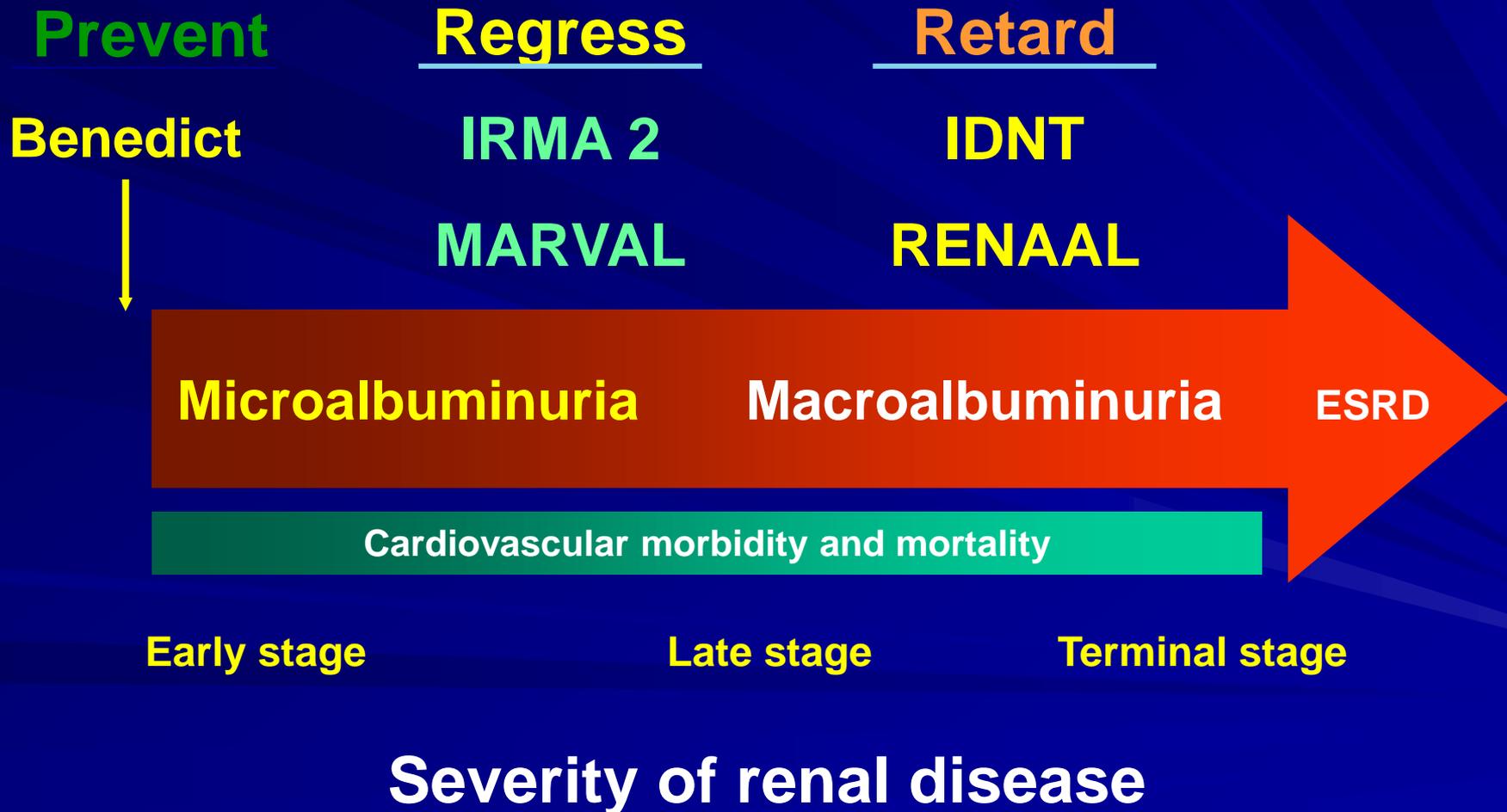
Antiproteinuric Effects of ACE.I / ARBs

- It occurs early within 7 days after treatment is started
- Independent of blood pressure reduction
- They have a dose-response effect
- The doses are higher than needed to control BP

Blood Pressure and Proteinuric Responses to Increasing Dose of ACE-Is

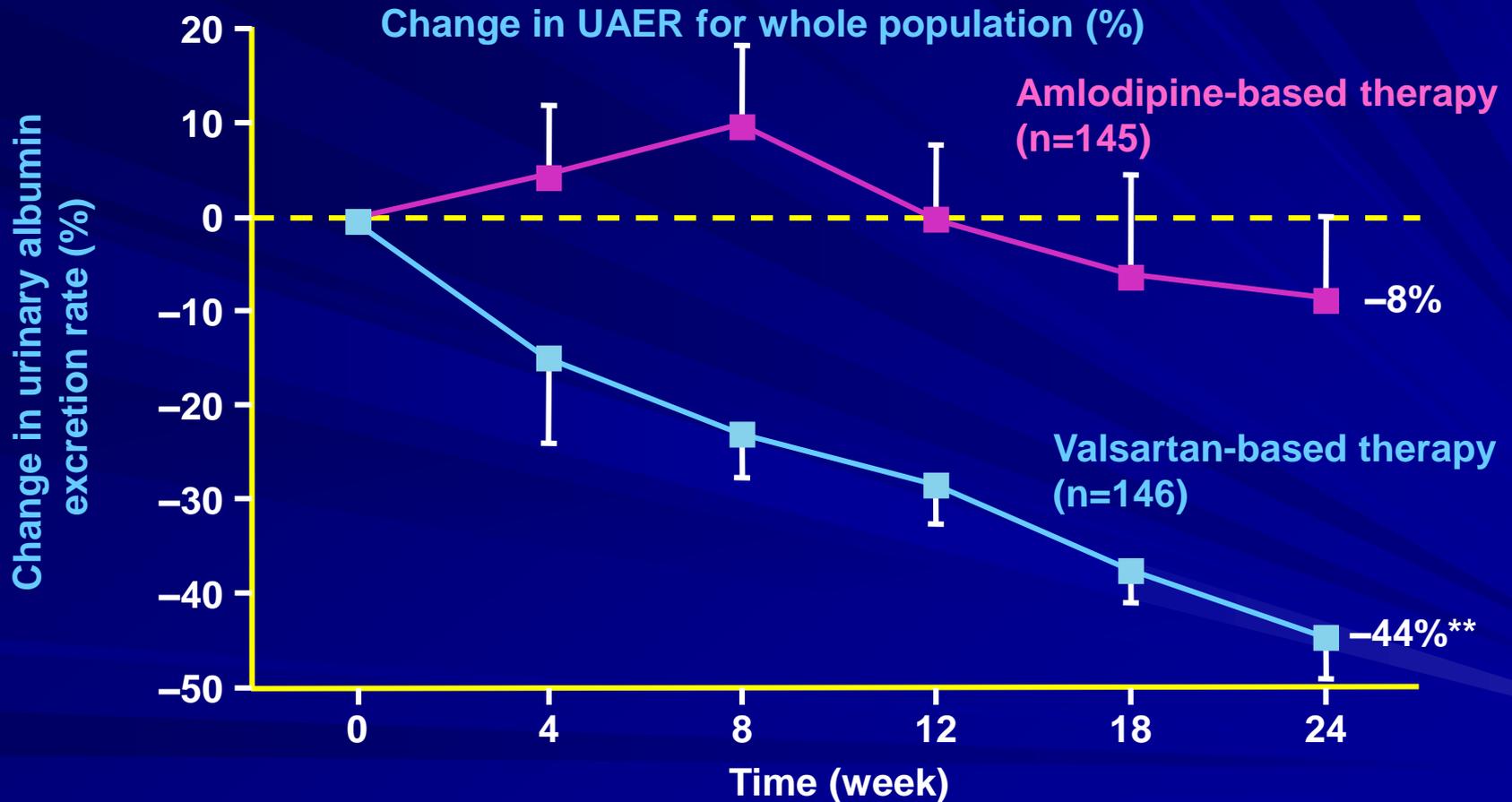


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MARVAL: Microalbuminuria Reduction with Valsartan

Valsartan is Effective in Reducing Urinary Albumin Excretion Rate



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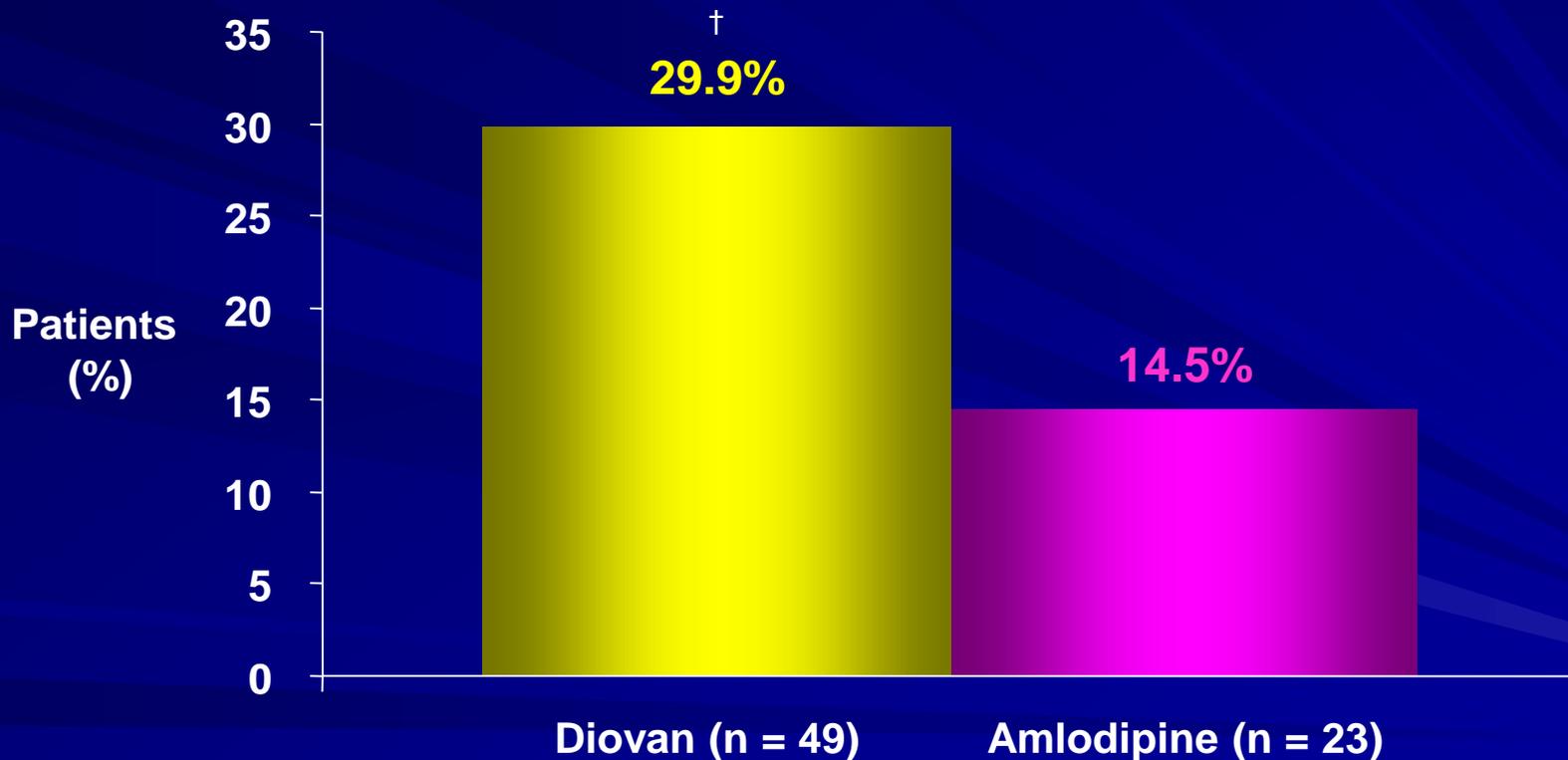
**p<0.001 vs amlodipine

UAER = urinary albumin excretion rate

Viberti et al. Circulation 2002;106:672-8

MARVAL: Significantly More Valsartan-Treated Patients Than Amlodipine-Treated Patients Exhibit Regression to Normoalbuminuria

Percentage of Patients Returning to Normoalbuminuria* at 24 Weeks



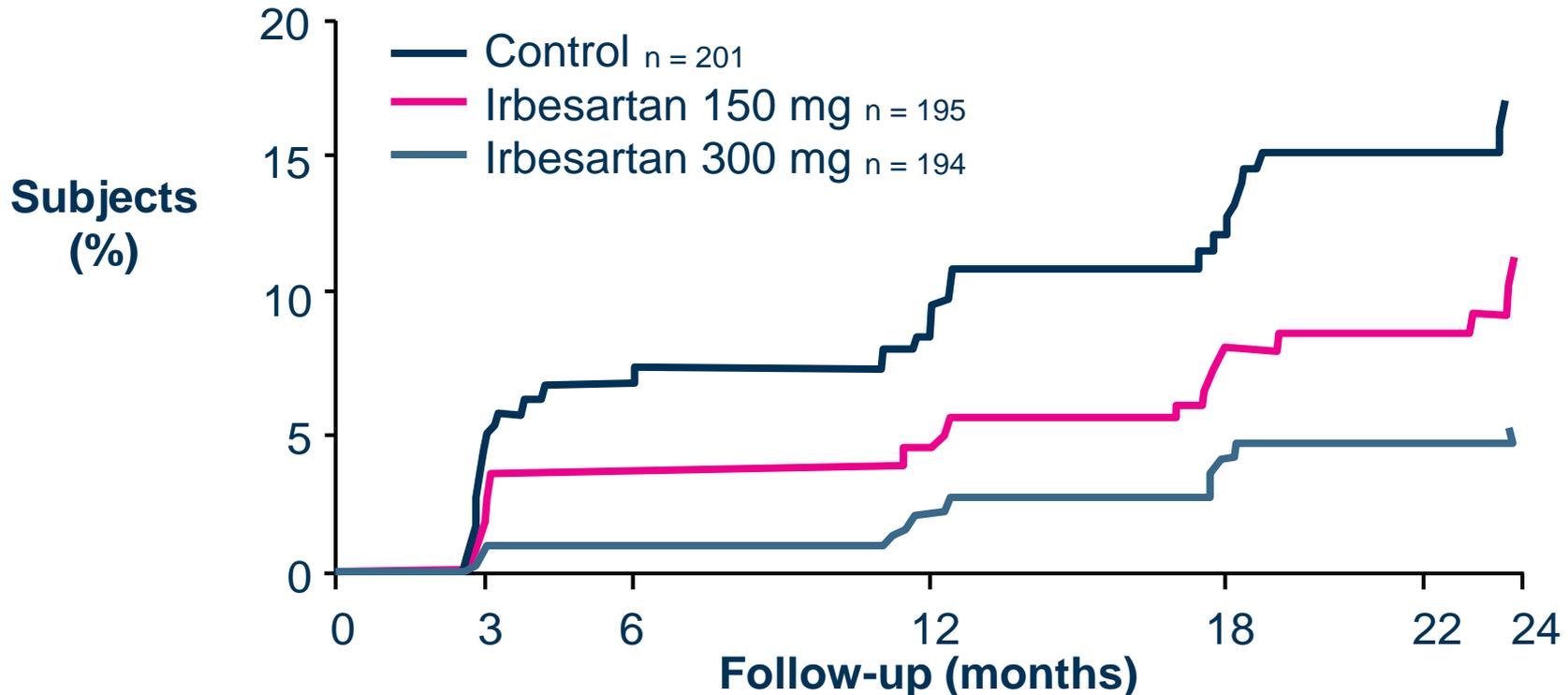
*Defined as urinary albumin excretion rate $<20 \mu\text{g}/\text{min}$; † $P < 0.001$ vs amlodipine.

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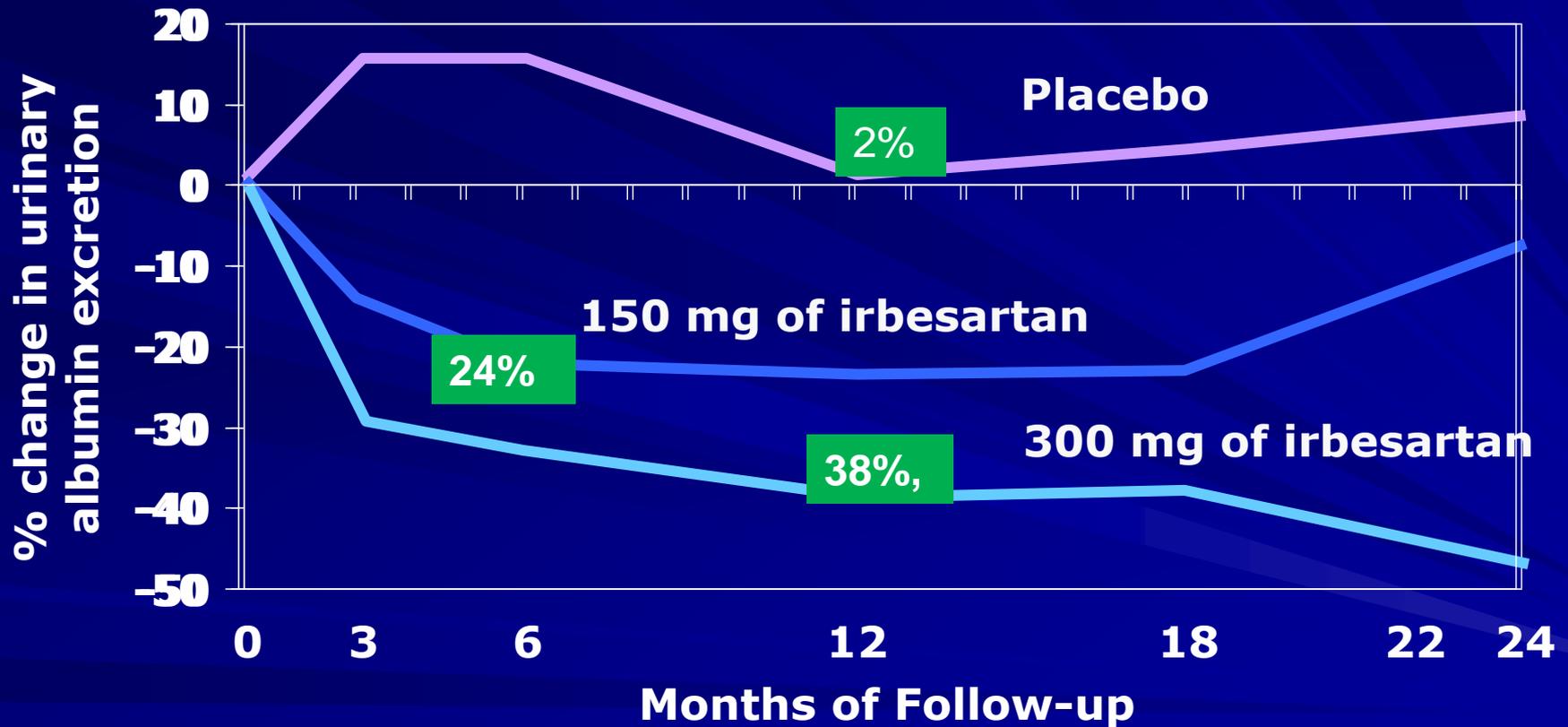
IRMA-2 Results: Irbesartan Significantly Delays Progression To Overt Proteinuria

Primary endpoint: Time to overt proteinuria

(urinary albumin excretion rate [AER] > 200 $\mu\text{g}/\text{min}$, or 300 mg/day, and an increase of urinary AER from baseline by at least 30%),

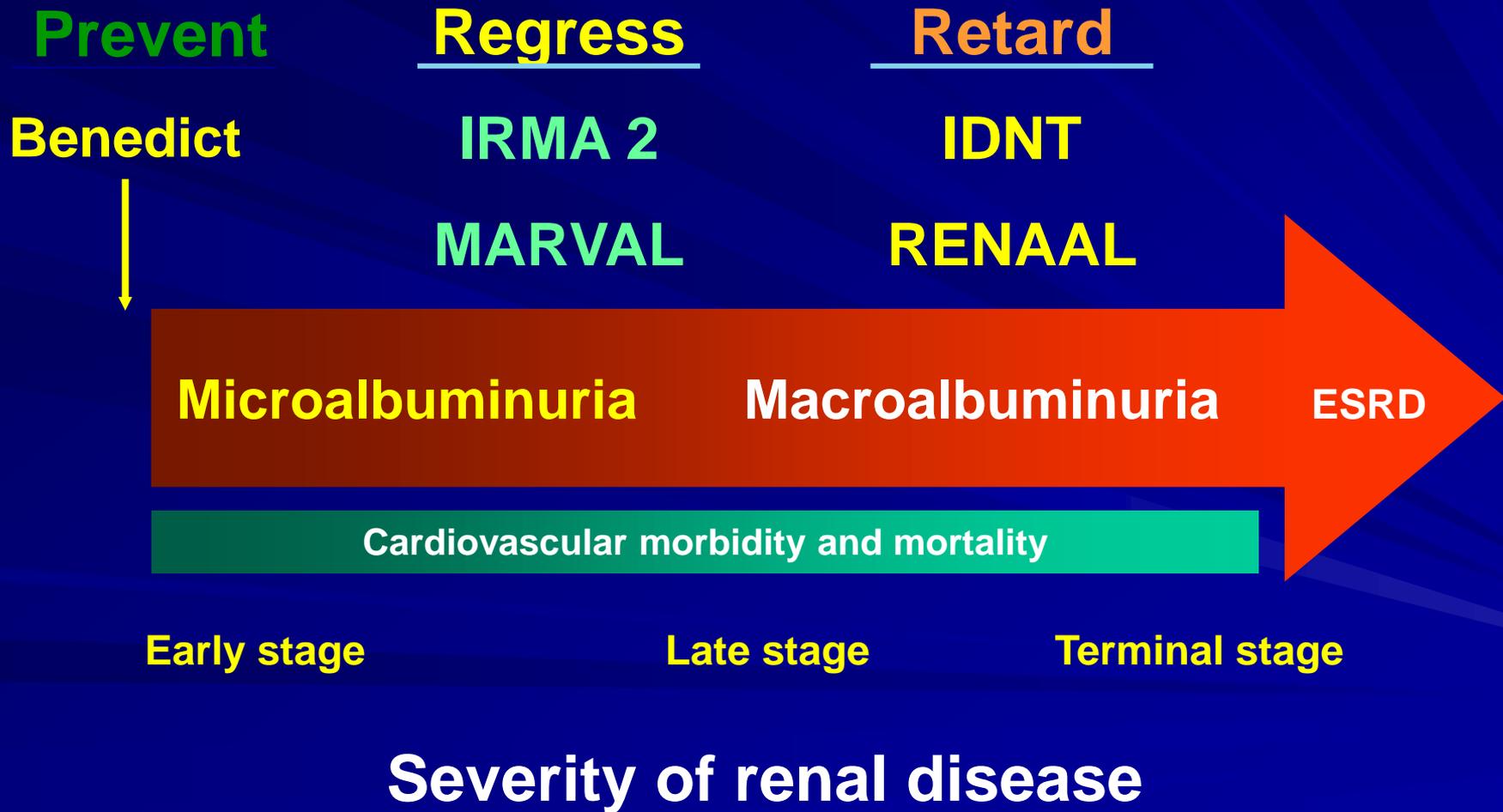


IRMA II Change in Urinary Albumin Excretion*



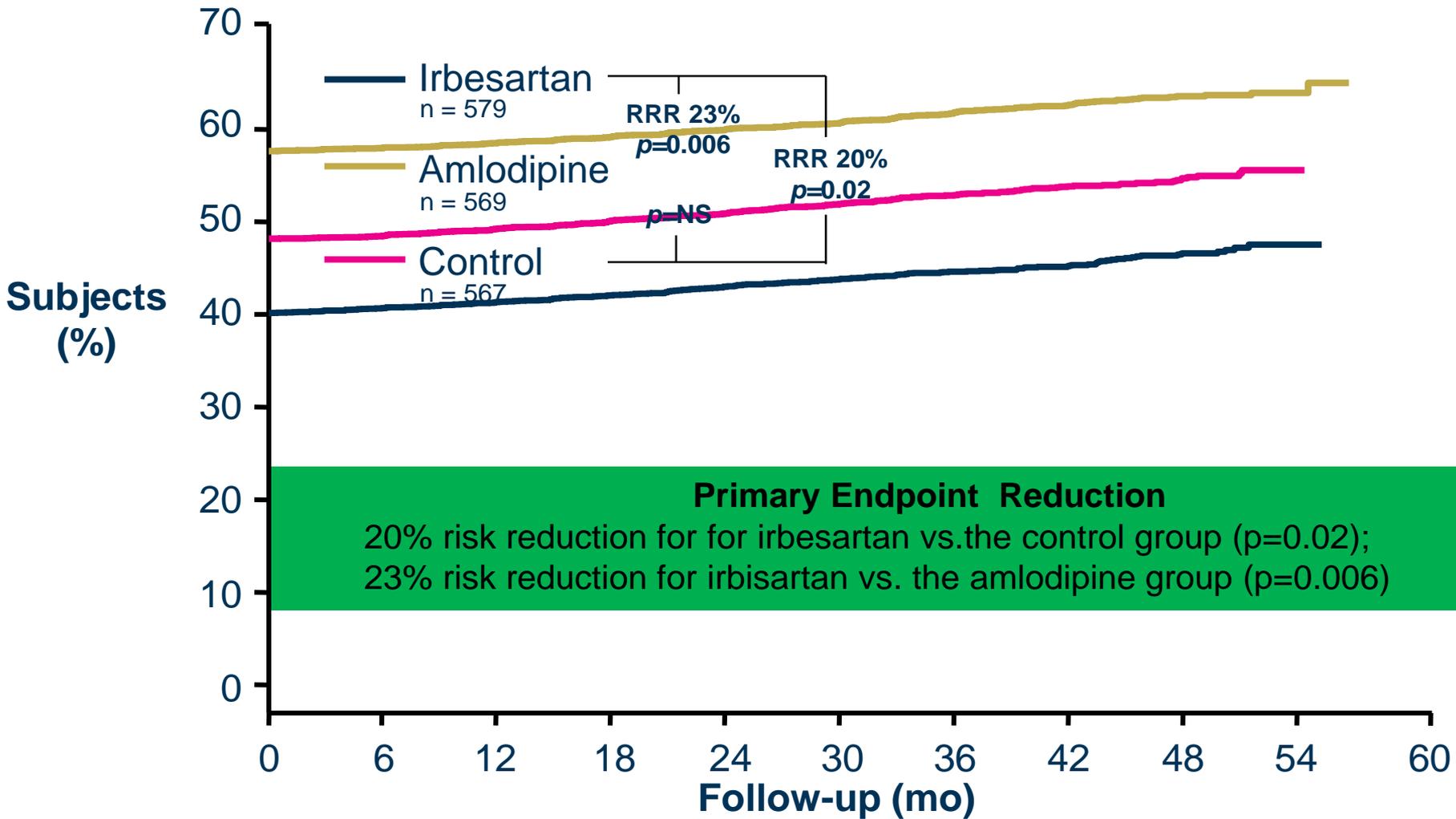
* $P < 0.001$ for difference between both irbesartan groups and placebo

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IDNT Results: Irbesartan Reduces the Progression of Diabetic Nephropathy (Combined Endpoint)

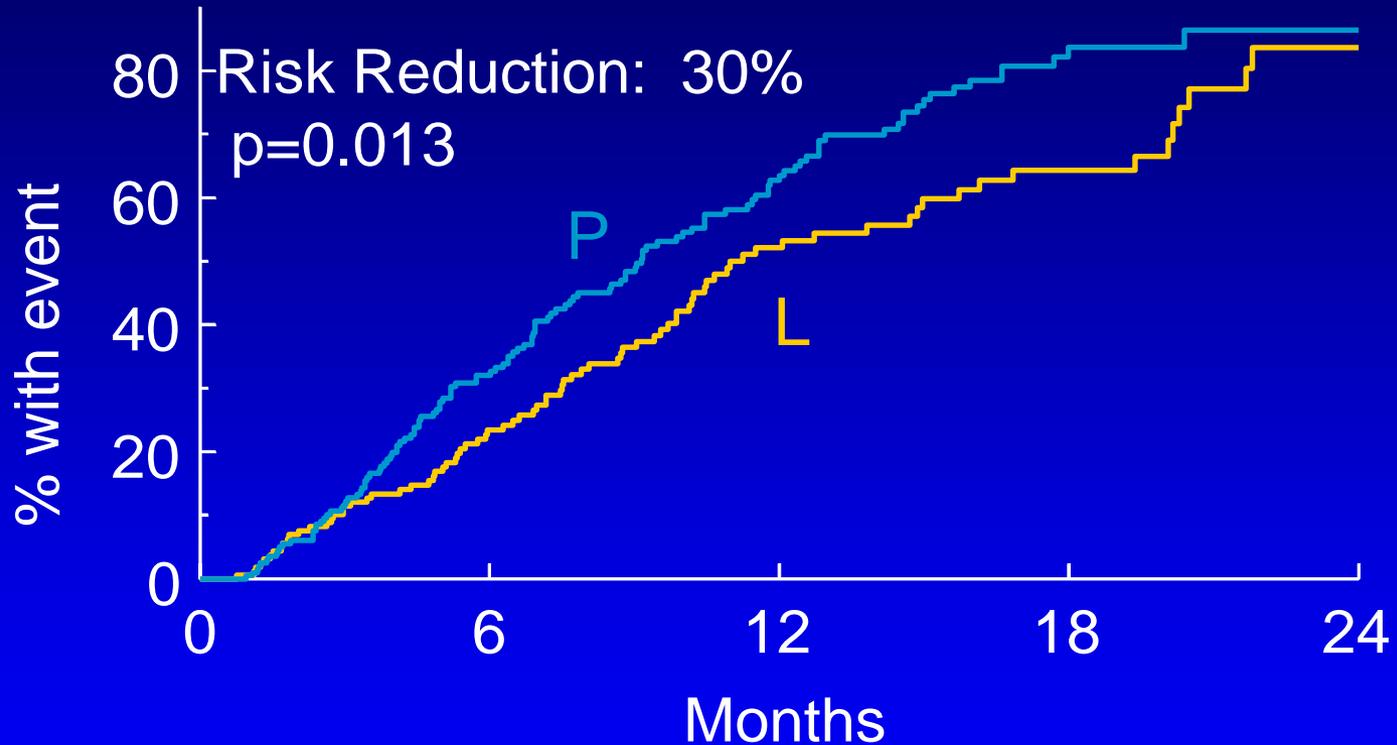
IDNT primary endpoint: Time to doubling of serum creatinine, ESRD, or death



Lewis EJ, et al. N Engl J Med 2001;345: 851-60

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Time to ESRD from Doubling of Serum Creatinine



— P (+CT)	198	111	48	11	4
— L (+CT)	162	104	43	19	3

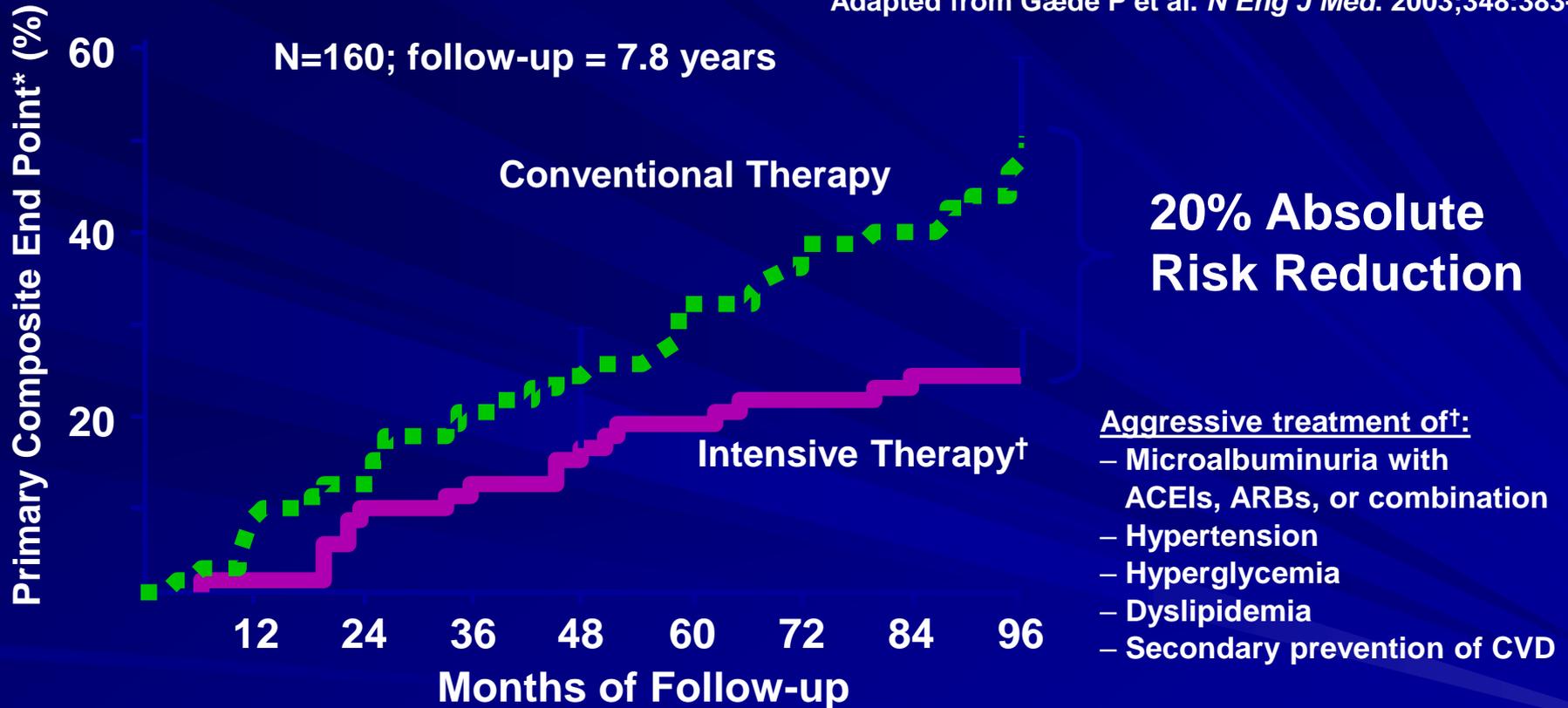
Presented by Brenner B. Reduction of endpoints in non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus with angiotensin II antagonist losartan. Program and abstracts of the 16th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Hypertension; May 16-19, 2001; San

Francisco, California.

Intensive Multiple Risk Factor Management

Patients with Type 2 Diabetes and Microalbuminuria

Adapted from Gæde P et al. *N Eng J Med.* 2003;348:383-393

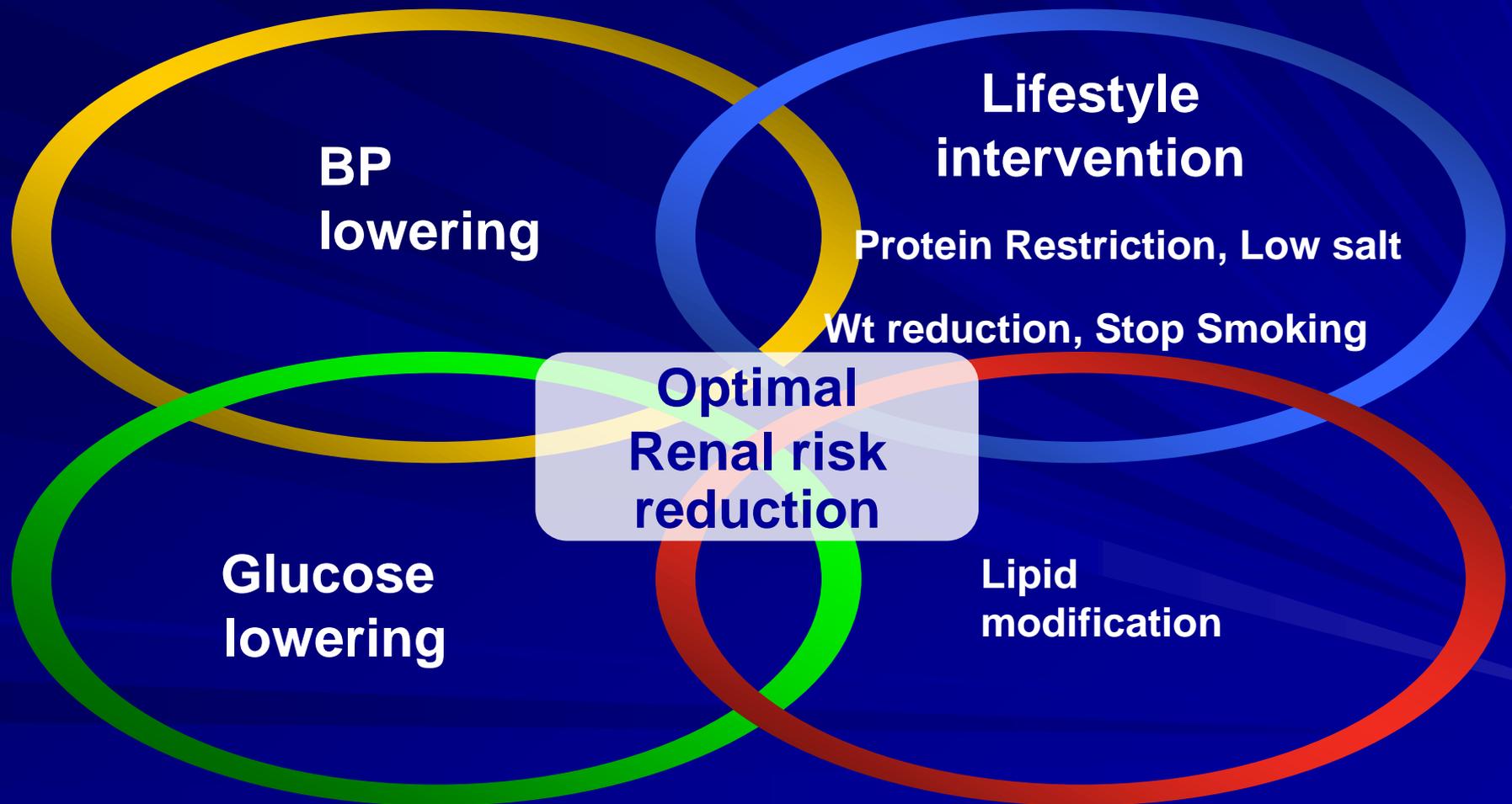


Primary composite endpoint: conventional therapy (44%) and intensive therapy (24%).

*Death from CV causes, nonfatal myocardial infarction, coronary artery bypass grafting, percutaneous coronary intervention, nonfatal stroke, amputation, or surgery for peripheral atherosclerotic artery disease.

†Behavior modification and pharmacologic therapy.

Benefit of Multifactorial Interventions



Conclusion

The message for World Kidney Day 2009

**Hypertension and kidney disease:
a marriage that should be prevented.**

Bakris GL, Ritz E : Kidney Int. 2009;75(5):449.

Thank You