

# ADPKD and Clinical Trials: Progress and future directions

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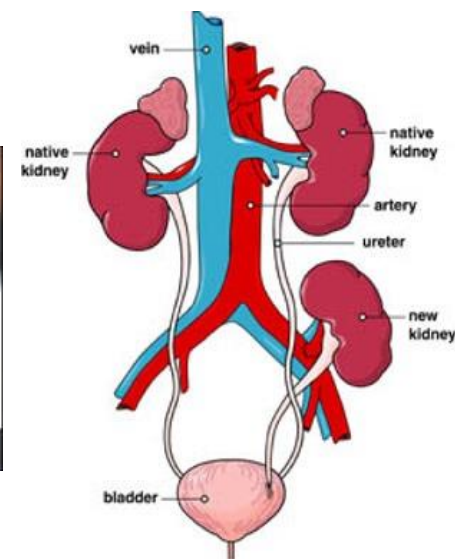
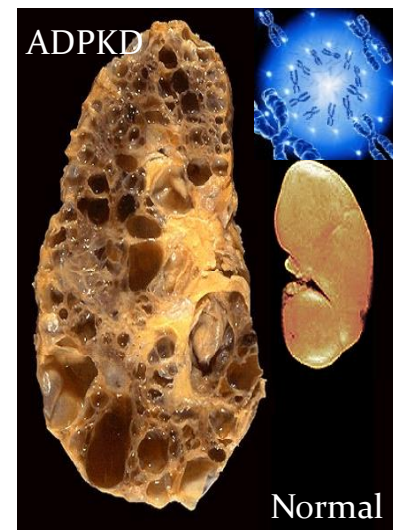
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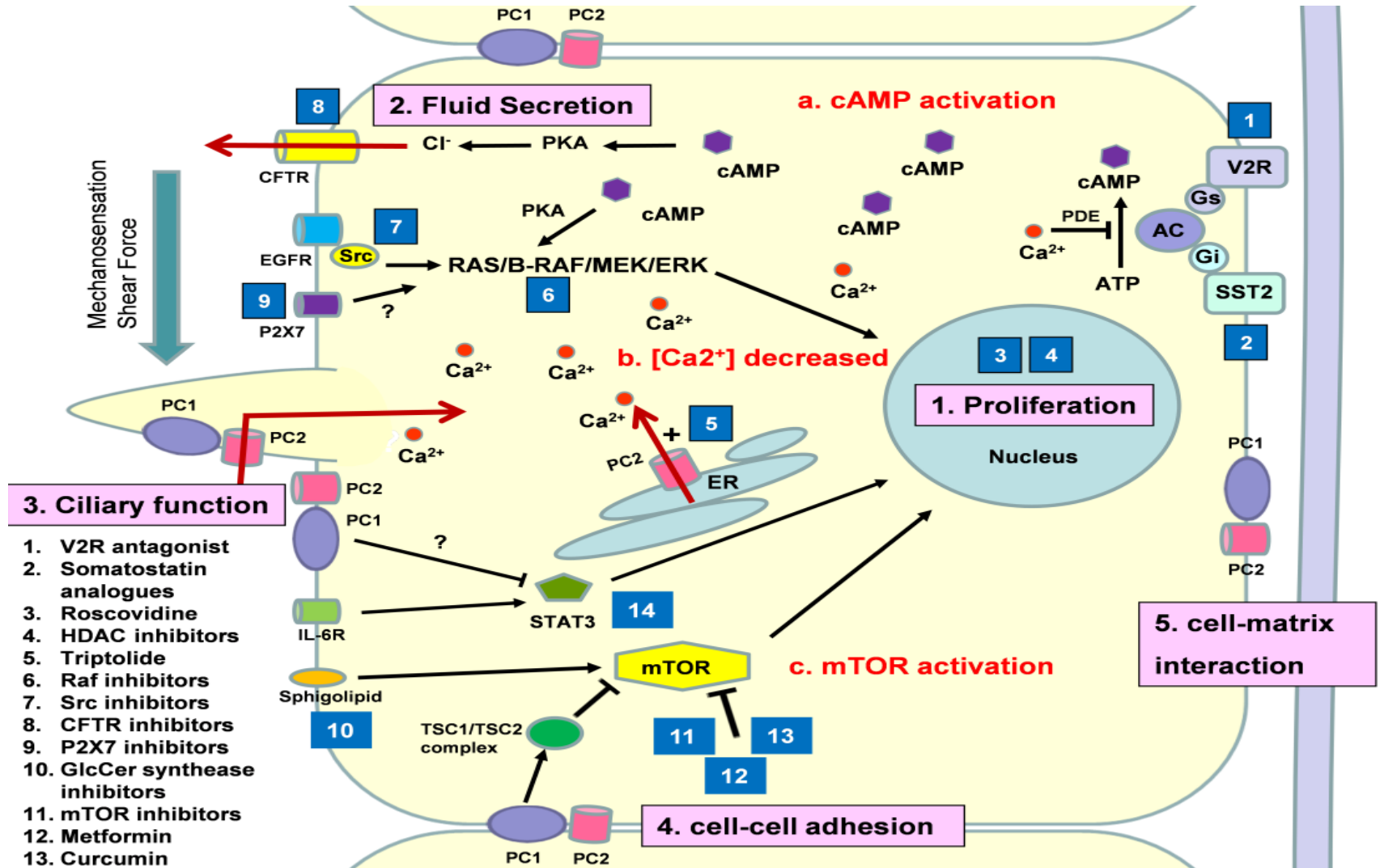
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# Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease (ADPKD)

- Commonest inherited kidney disease
- Progressive cyst development & growth
- 3<sup>rd</sup> commonest cause of **renal failure** (UK)

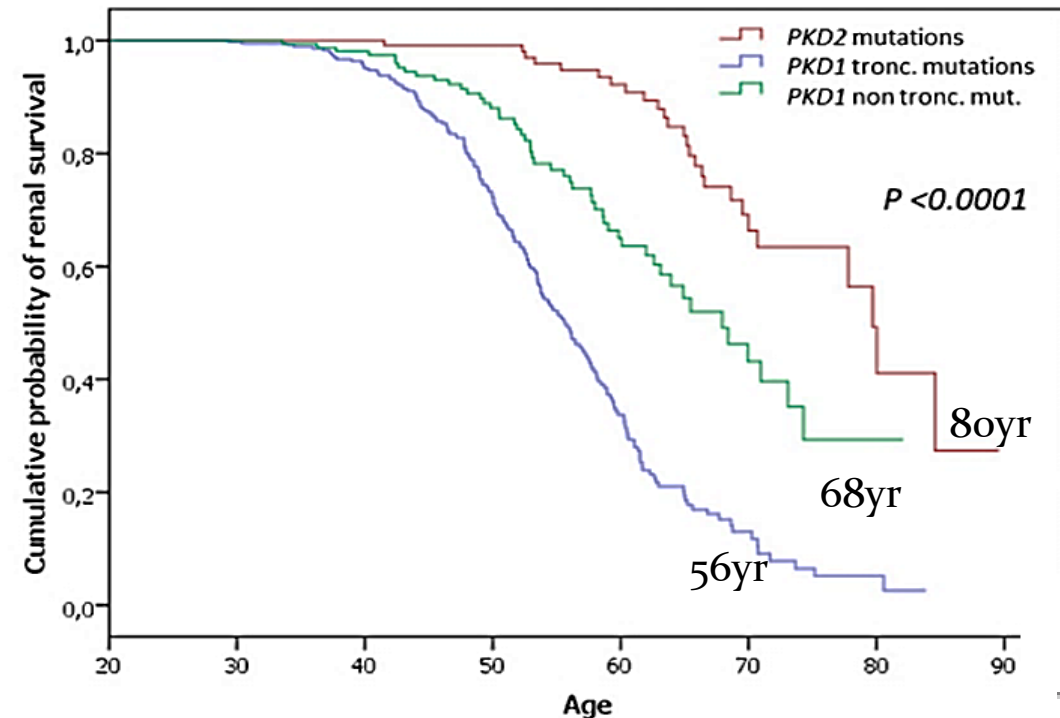


# Pathogenesis of ADPKD



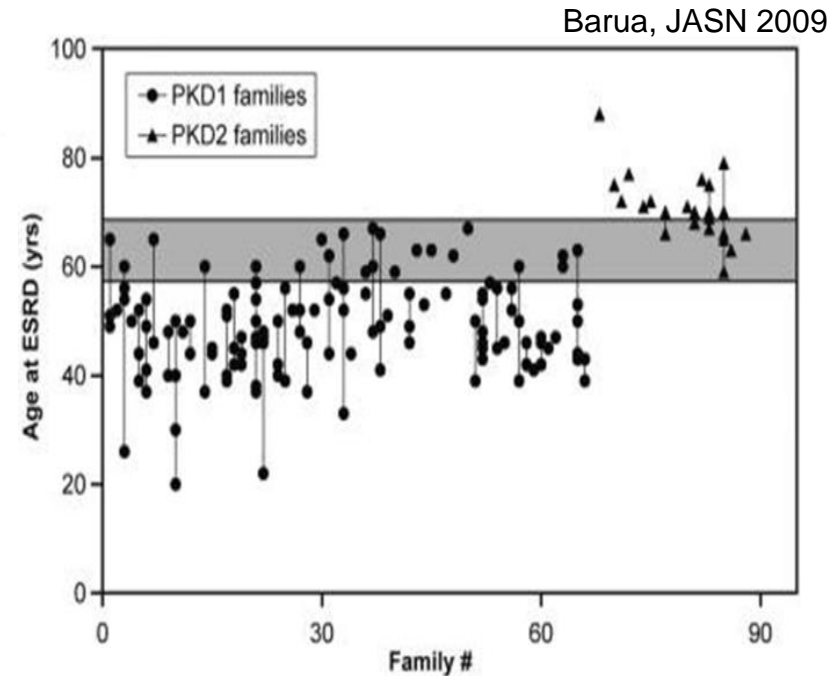
# Challenges of clinical trials in ADPKD

- Progression highly variable

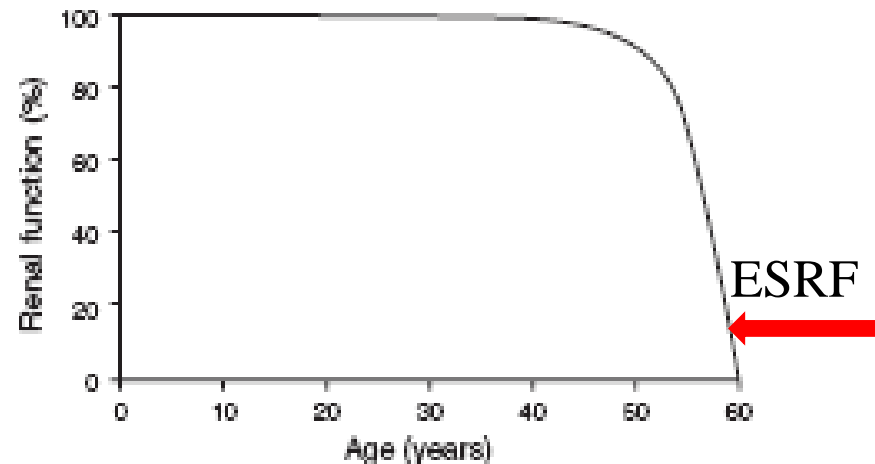


Cornec-Le Gall JASN 2013

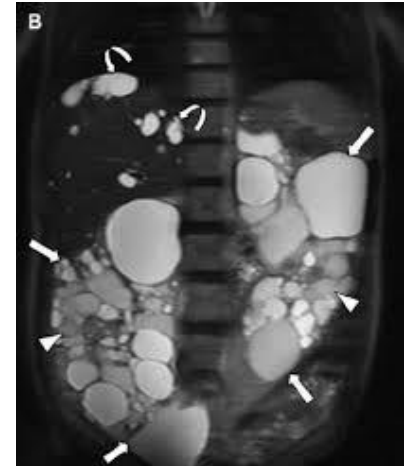
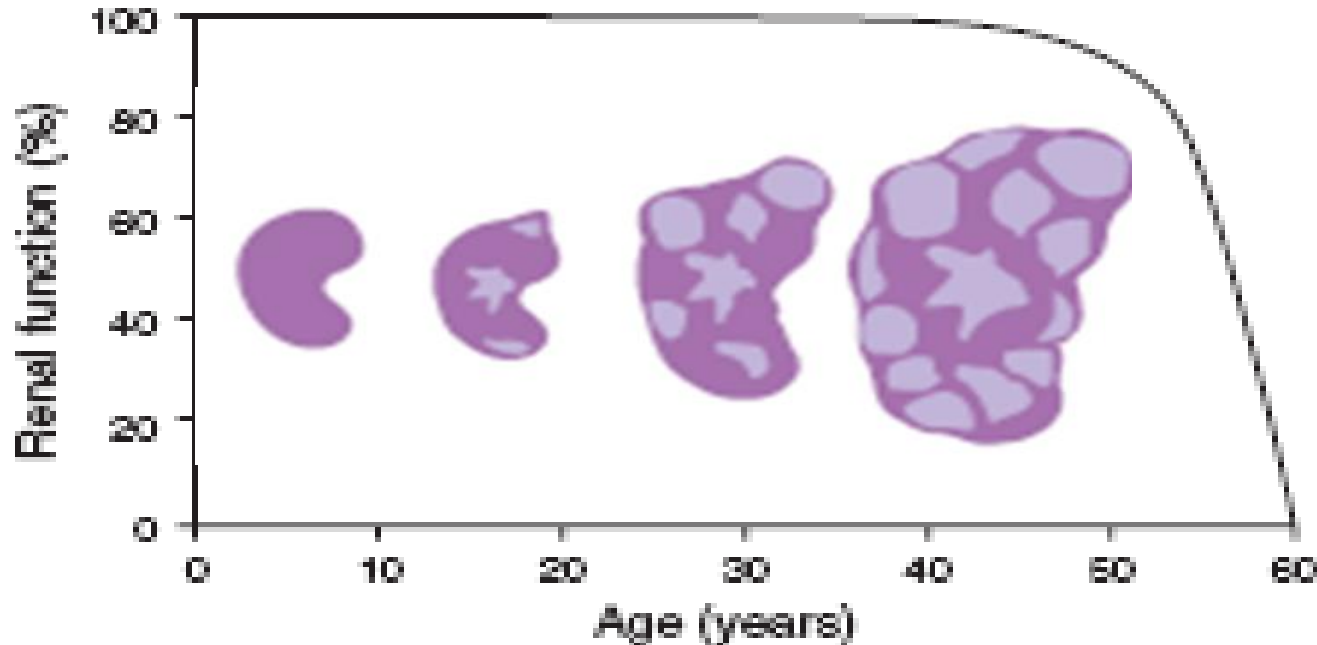
- Monitoring progression:  
**eGFR late marker**



Barua, JASN 2009



# Total kidney volume (TKV) in ADPKD



- Gradual cyst development/years  $\rightarrow$   $\uparrow$ TKV
- **TKV clinically relevant, marker of progression:**  
1981: 1<sup>st</sup> (n43, CT) correlated **1/CrCl** (Thomsen)

# Consortium for Radiologic Imaging Studies of PKD

**CRISP:** (multicentre, central analysis) NIDDK funded  
Annual MRI, 241 patients, 16-45yrs, eGFR>70ml/min

Aim - reliably & accurately measure TKV and TCV

- detect change (sequential scans)
- is TKV, TCV associated with ↓GFR

**CRISP1** (Chapman 2003):

TKV measurement reliability 99.9% (phantoms) 0.998 (pts)

TKV **greater** with age, hypertension, UAE

TKV **inversely correlated** with GFR (iothalamate)

# Total Kidney Volume (TKV) as an endpoint?

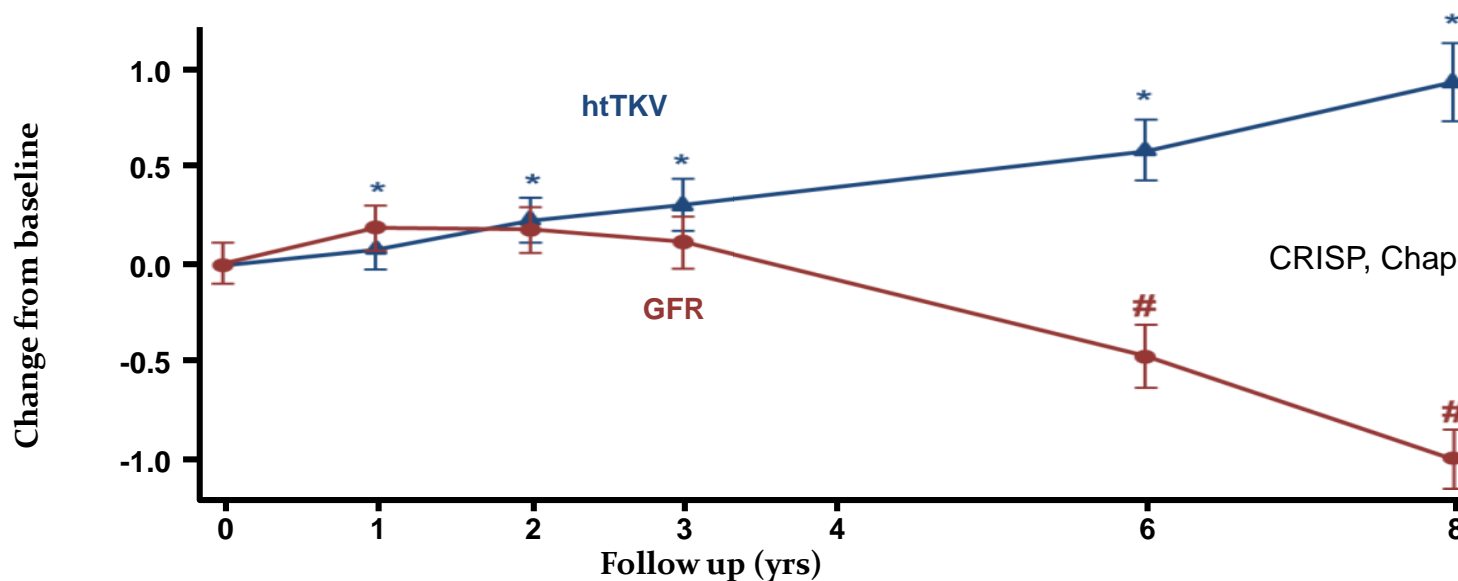
## CRISP after 3yrs

- Baseline TKV predicts future rate of increase
- TKV increased: 5.3%/year, greater if ***PKD1***

## CRISP after 8yrs

CRISP, Grantham, NEJM 2006

- Increasing TKV **precedes** change in eGFR



# Trials in ADPKD involving TKV

**2007:** PKD Foundation & FDA:

**Accept** kidney growth as 1<sup>o</sup> outcome to encourage industry for PKD drug development

**2009:** Database and data standards to build evidence

## The HALT Polycystic Kidney Disease Trials: Design and Implementation

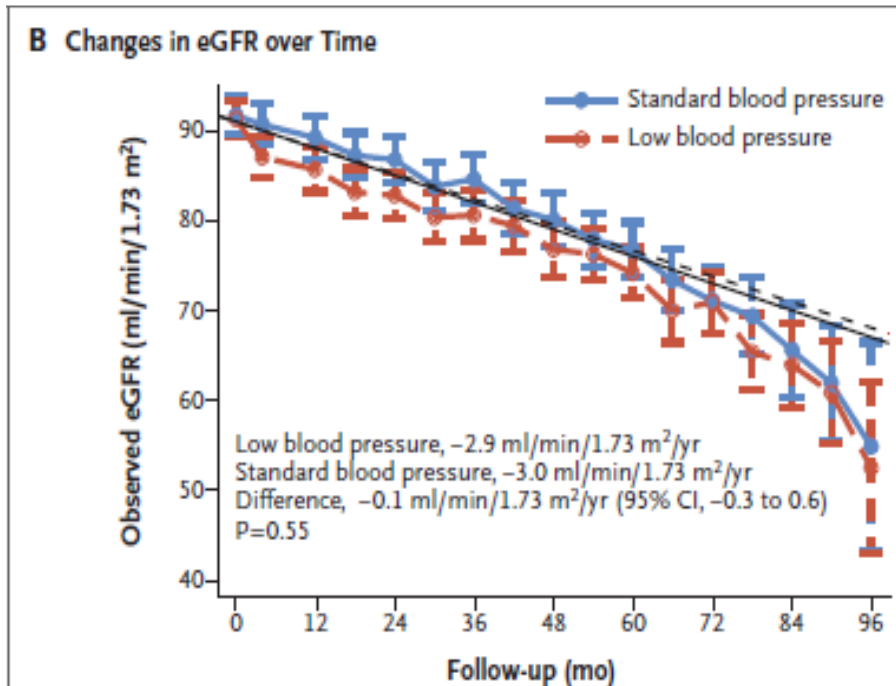
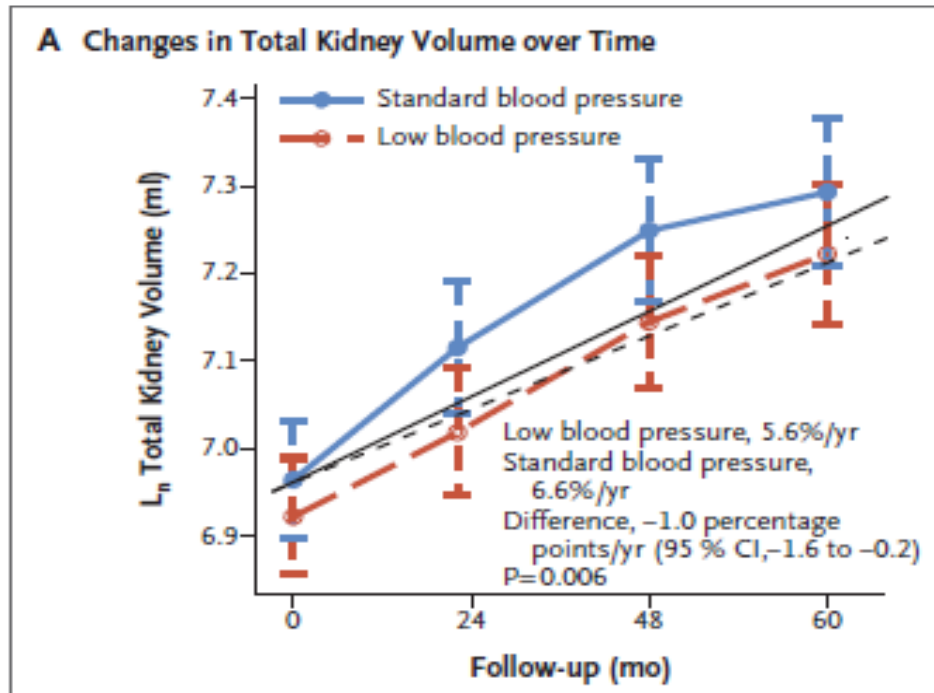
Chapman, HALT CJASN 2010

- Target hypertension (NIH/NIDDK)
- RAAS blockade: Dual vs mono ACEi/ARB
- **Early:** <50yrs, eGFR>60ml/min
- 2 BP targets, 1<sup>o</sup>: annual % change in TKV
- 5yrs (MRI: 0, 1, 2, 5yrs)

# HALT PKD results

- 553 patients completed trial

Schrier, NEJM 2014



- Benefit of change in TKV did not translate to eGFR
- Time lag? Haemodynamic?

# TEMPO 3:4 1<sup>st</sup> effective (specific) therapy in ADPKD

## Tolvaptan Efficacy and safety in Management of PKD and Outcomes

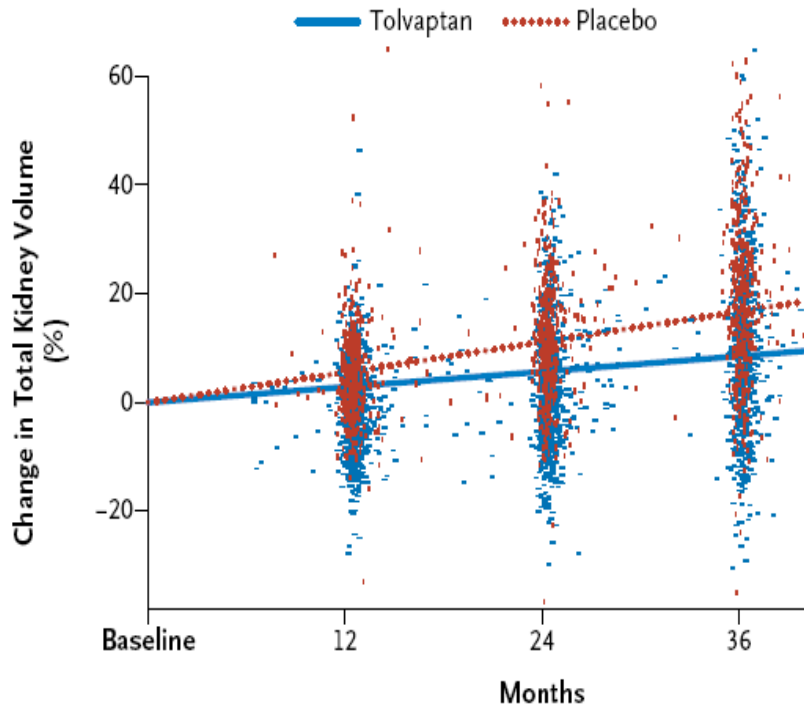
- Tolvaptan/Placebo for 3yrs (double blind)
- 1445 patients, 18-50yrs
- Normal kidney function ( $>60\text{ml/min/1.73m}^2$ )
- $\text{TKV} > 750\text{mL/m}$  (**burden of disease**)
- 1<sup>o</sup>: **Change in kidney volume (0, 1, 2, 3yrs)**  
2<sup>o</sup>: Change in eGFR, renal pain, hypertension
- Completed Jan 2011

# TEMPO 3:4 RCT: 1<sup>st</sup> effective therapy in ADPKD

Tolvaptan: 2.8%/pa  
Placebo: 5.5%/pa

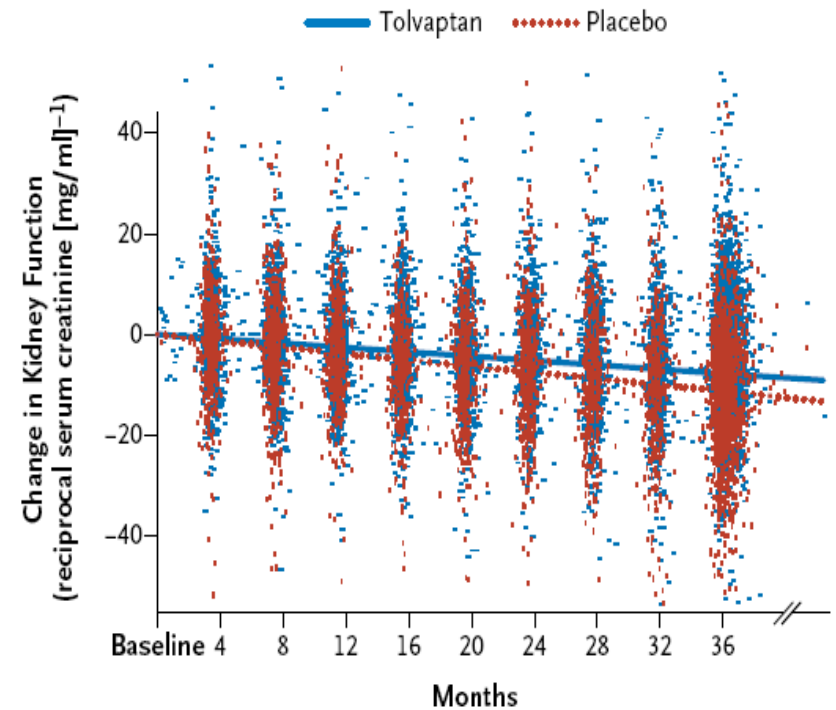
Tolvaptan: -2.7ml/min/pa  
Placebo: -3.7ml/min/pa

A Total Kidney Volume



50% slower  $\uparrow$ TKV

C Kidney Function



30% slower  $\downarrow$ eGFR

# Eligibility for Tolvaptan in ADPKD

**NICE**

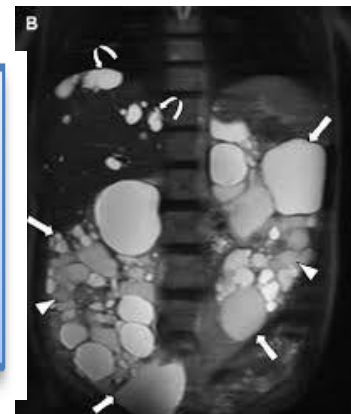
National Institute for  
Health and Care Excellence

NICE, Oct. 2015

- Stage 2-3 CKD (eGFR 30-89ml/min)
- Evidence of “rapid disease progression”

$\Delta$ eGFR >2.5ml/min/pa  
(5 points over 5 years)  
 $\Delta$ eGFR >5ml/min over 12 mths

$\Delta$ TKV >5% pa (MR or CT)  
(3 measurements over 2-3 yrs)



- **Biomarker Qualification:**
- **EMA:** Nov. 2015 and **FDA:** Sept. 2016
- **COU:** baseline TKV predicts pts at high risk of progression (+age, eGFR)

# US Regulations for Drug Approval

## Traditional

- Endpoints: ESRF, survival,

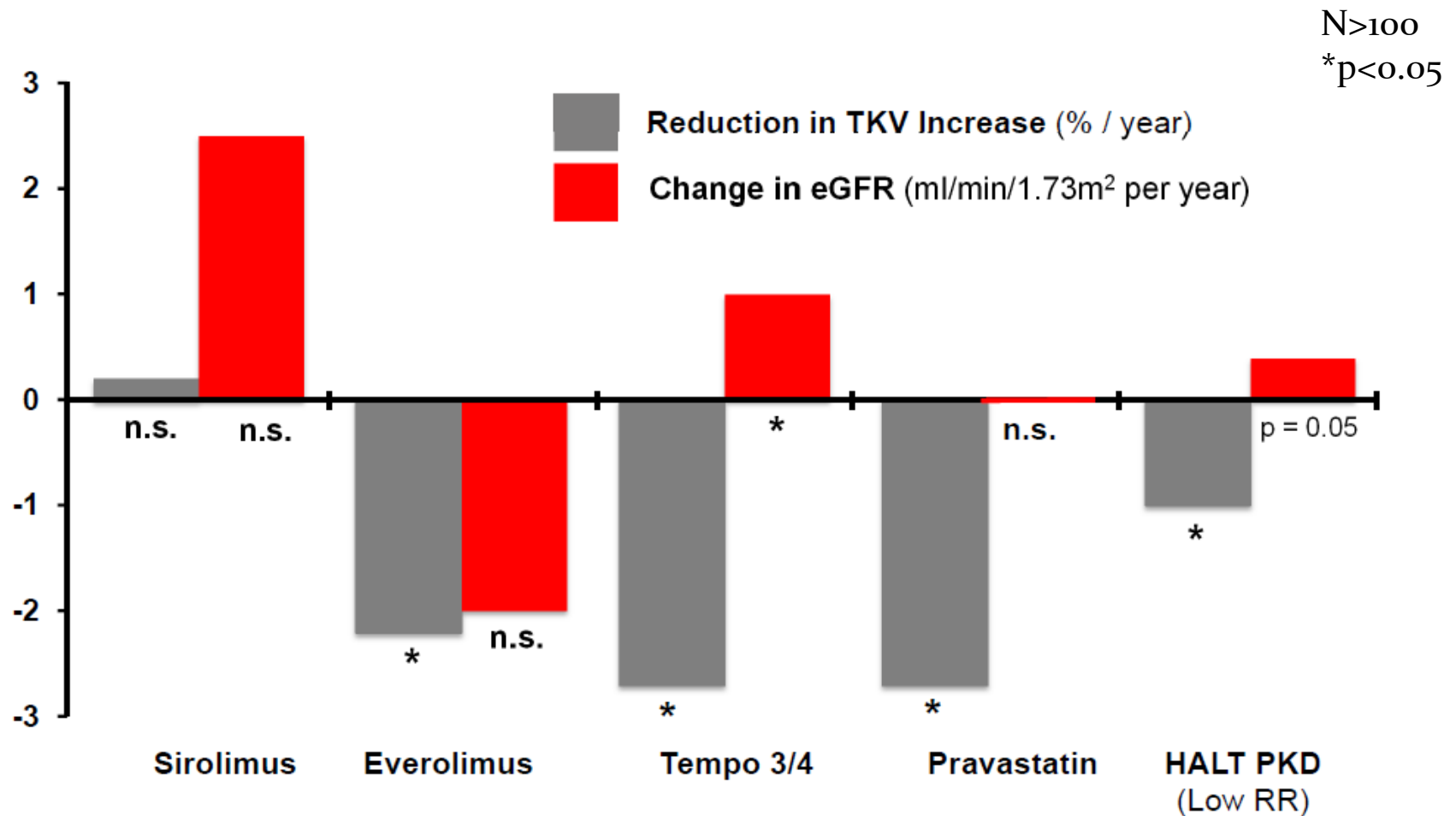
## **Accelerated** – used in ADPKD

- For drugs treating serious/life threatening disease
- Surrogate endpoint
- Requires additional post marketing confirmatory trial

**REPRISE:** Replicating evidence of preserved renal function: an investigation of Tolvaptan's safety & efficacy RCT, eGFR 25-65 (<55yrs) or 25-44 (56-66yrs), No MRI

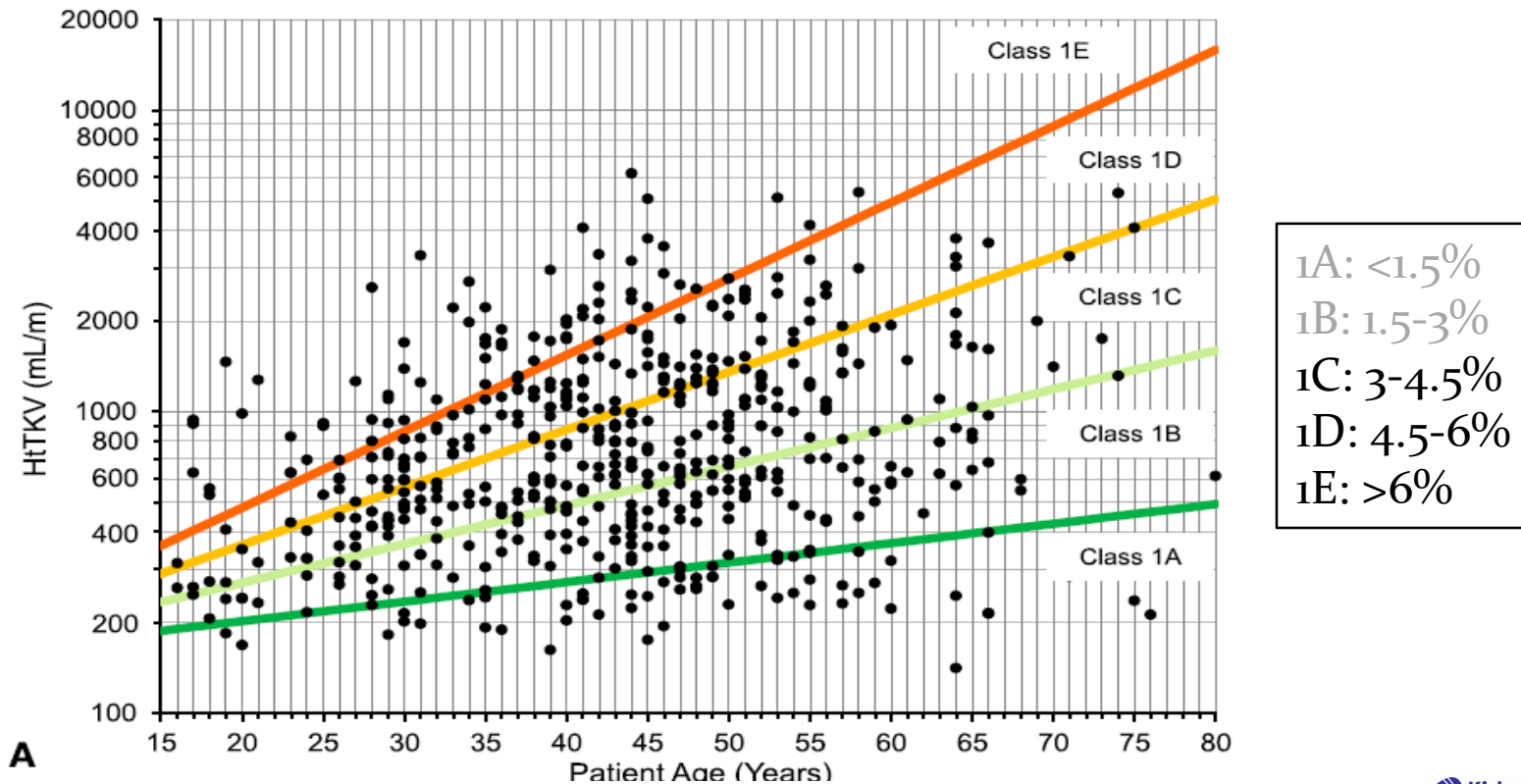
Torres, NEJM, 2017

# Summary of recent trials in ADPKD using TKV



# Future Trials in ADPKD

- Enrich trial population for “an event” (timescale)
- Mayo Imaging Classification: baseline TKV predicts progression



# Future Trials in ADPKD - outcomes

- Ensure high performance, standardised methods for measuring **serial TKV**
- Automated quantification of TKV

## **Automatic Measurement of Kidney and Liver Volumes from MR Images of Patients Affected by Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease**

Maatje D.A. van Gastel,<sup>1,2</sup> Marie E. Edwards,<sup>1</sup> Vicente E. Torres,<sup>1</sup> Bradley J. Erickson,<sup>3</sup> Ron T. Gansevoort,<sup>2</sup> and Timothy L. Kline<sup>1,3</sup>

Deep learning network, n=500.

TKV: Bias <0.1% Precision 2.7 95% CI -5.4-5.4

# Future Directions

- Target earlier stage ADPKD, trial populations with preserved eGFR
- Identify complimentary early surrogate endpoints eg functional MRI techniques
- Collaborative multicentre funding (especially if absence of pharmaceutical sponsor)

# Summary

- Variability in progression of ADPKD requires risk stratification of patients to enrich clinical trial populations, optimising events during a trial
- Extensive evidence supports increased TKV is clinically relevant and currently the earliest prognostic biomarker in ADPKD approved by the EMA and FDA
- There is scope for the development of additional early surrogate functional MRI biomarkers in ADPKD

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