

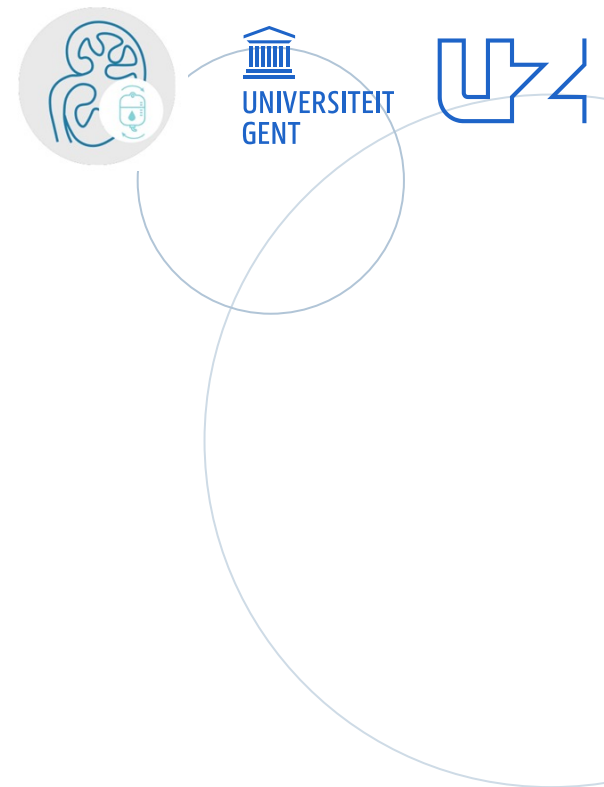


# DAILY MANAGEMENT IN HEMODIALYSIS

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Starting a child on HD, how to set up the first session



How can adequate HD be obtained?



Common complications during HD



It takes a village to raise a child on chronic dialysis



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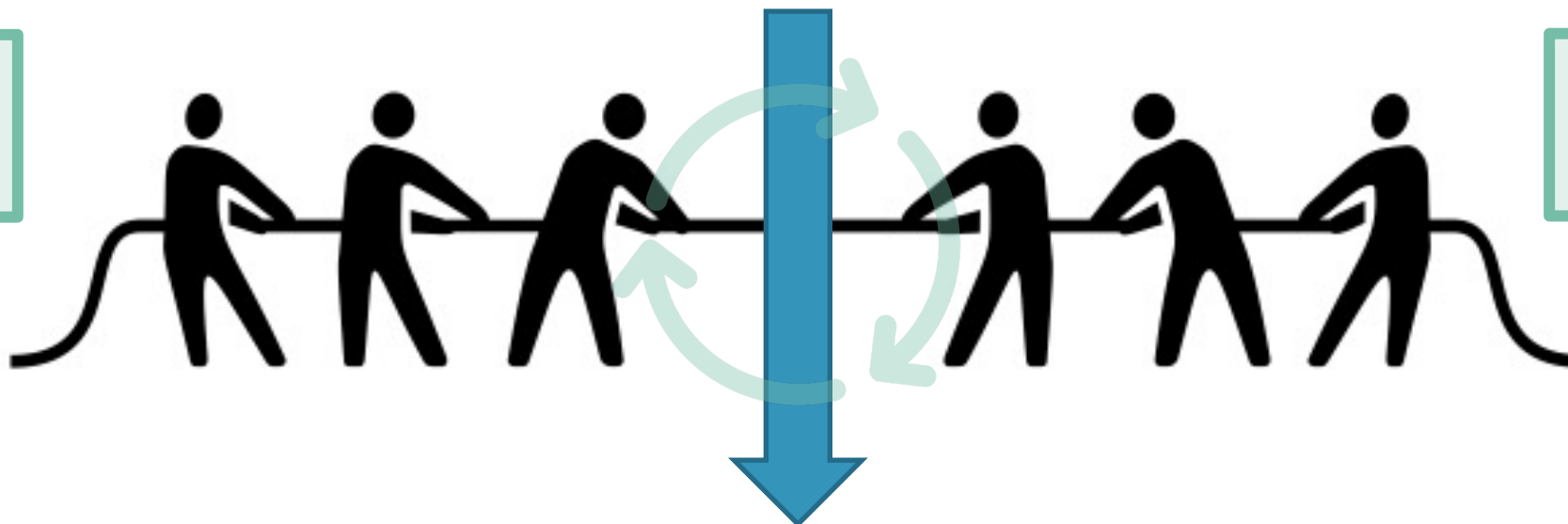
# Introduction



DAILY HD MANAGEMENT

Adequate  
correction of  
uremic milieu

Quality of life  
Minimal burden  
Education



OPTIMAL LONG-TERM OUTCOMES



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# Rule 1: start slow to prevent Dialysis Disequilibrium syndrome

Rare neurological complication, most commonly affecting patients during HD initiation



Cerebral edema due to intracerebral shifts, diagnosis is challenging (aspecific symptoms)



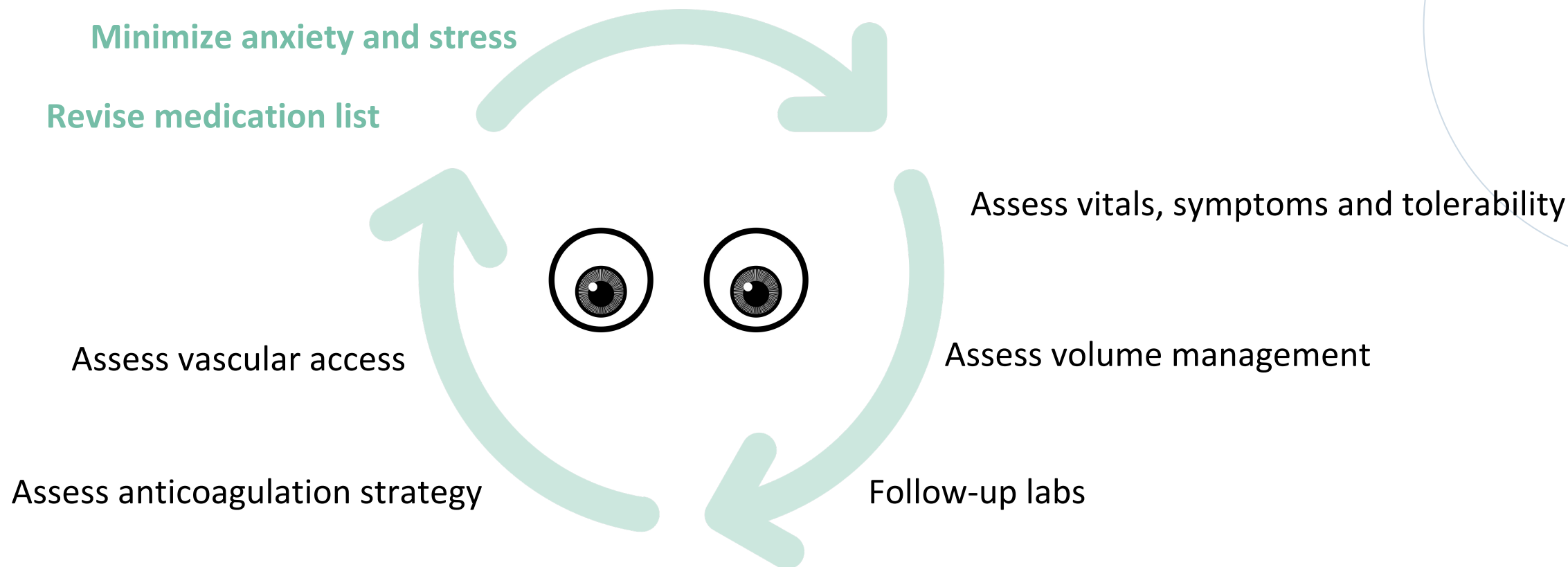
- Prevention: avoidance of rapid fluid/osmotic shifts
- Blood flow  $\leq 3$  ml/kg/min body weight (90 ml/m<sup>2</sup>)
  - First session max. 2 hours
  - Low UF goals to start
  - Others: smaller dialyzer, lower dialysate flow
  - Decrease osmotic shifts using i.e. mannitol

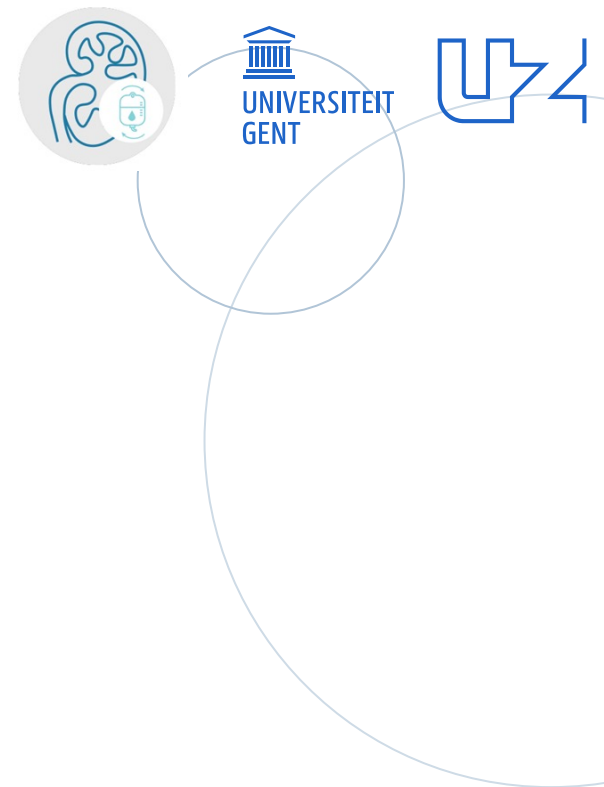
**Table 2** Symptoms, type of dialysis (as initial therapy), and changes in management (post-DDS symptoms) reported among DDS patients in the included studies

Symptoms	Studies	Sample size	# Present (%)	Range	% Present out of 226 DDS patient
Headache	20	142	56 (39.4%)	10–100%	24.8%
Nausea	19	141	57 (40.4%)	13–100%	25.2%
Vomiting	16	138	54 (39.1%)	12.5–100%	23.9%
Confusion	10	15	10 (66.7%)	20–100%	4.4%
Seizure	9	14	11 (78.6%)	50–100%	4.9%
Affected level of consciousness	6	115	20 (17.4%)	13.6–100%	8.8%
Lethargy	5	6	5 (83.3%)	50–100%	2.2%



## Rule 2: Be around, and keep an eye in following sessions





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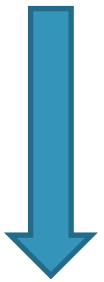


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# How is adequate hemodialysis defined?

$Kt/V_{urea}$



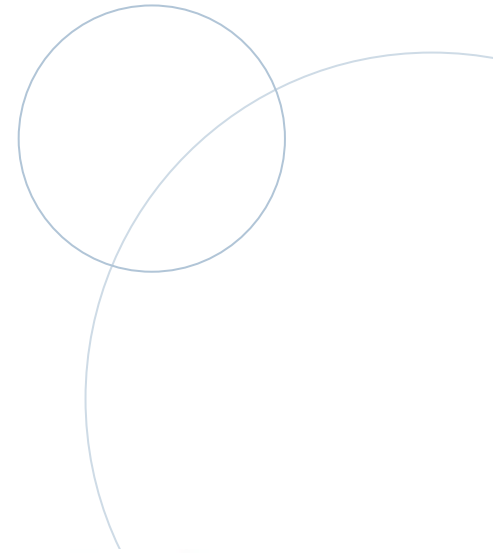
REVIEW ARTICLE

## A swan song for $Kt/V_{urea}$

Raymond Vanholder | Wim Van Biesen | Norbert Lameire

Lack of hard evidence to support  $Kt/V$

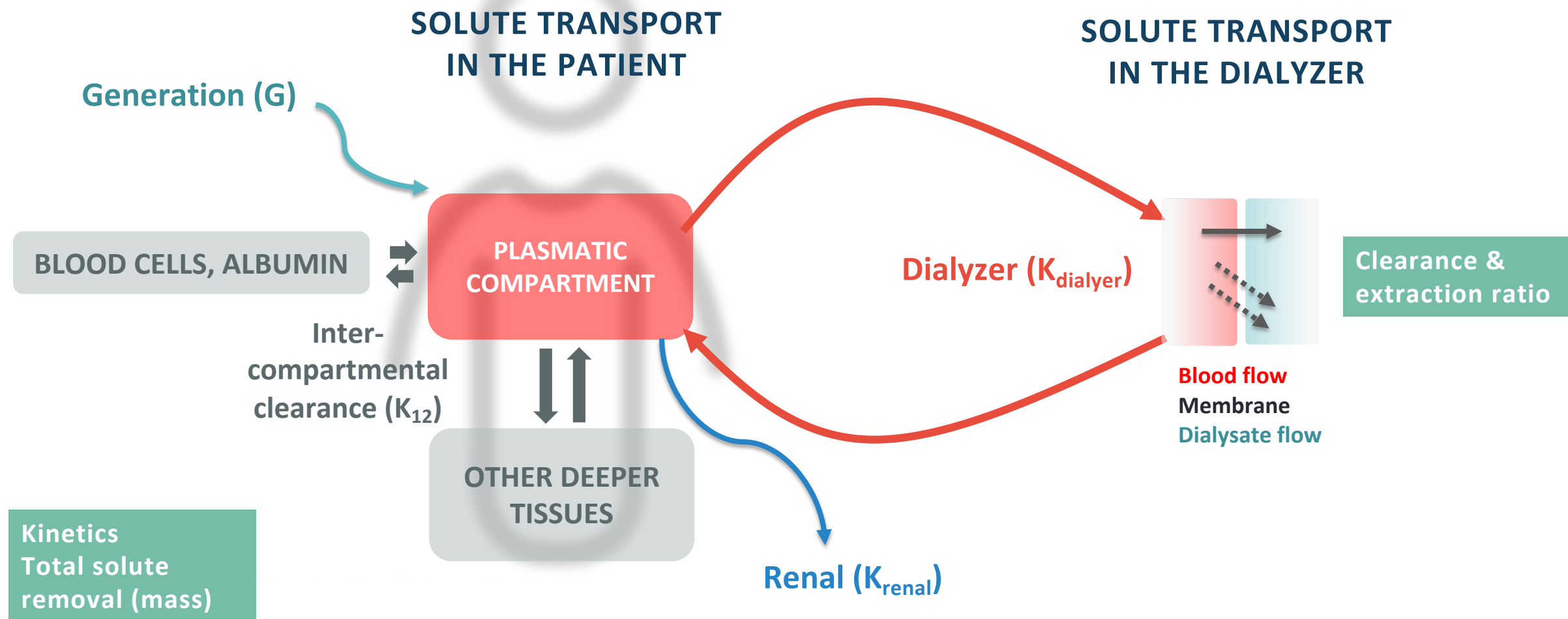
Invalidity in children



*Seminars in Dialysis* WILEY



# How is adequate hemodialysis defined? – a “solute” perspective





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## Seminars in Dialysis

### A Sad but Forgotten Truth: The Story of Slow-Moving Solutes in Fast Hemodialysis

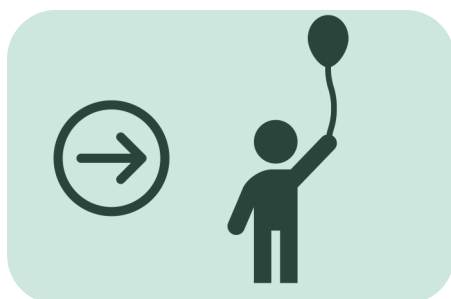
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# How is adequate hemodialysis defined?

$Kt/V_{urea}$



## Adequate hemodialysis

### GOOD NUTRITION AND GROWTH

*Monitoring nutritional intake, growth hormone therapy, correct acidosis*

### CARDIOVASCULAR CONTROL

*Normotension, euvolemia, no LVH, avoid IDH, preserve residual kidney function*

### CKD-MBD & ELECTROLYTES

*Normal P & Ca with adequate PTH, no acidosis and normal serum potassium*

### HEMATOLOGICAL CONTROL

*Iron/vitB12/folic acid and EPO, antico strategy without bleeding/clothing*

### GOOD LONG-LASTING ACCESS

*Fistula first, access complications, obtained blood flows*

### SYMPTOMS, PSYCHOSOCIAL & EDUCATION

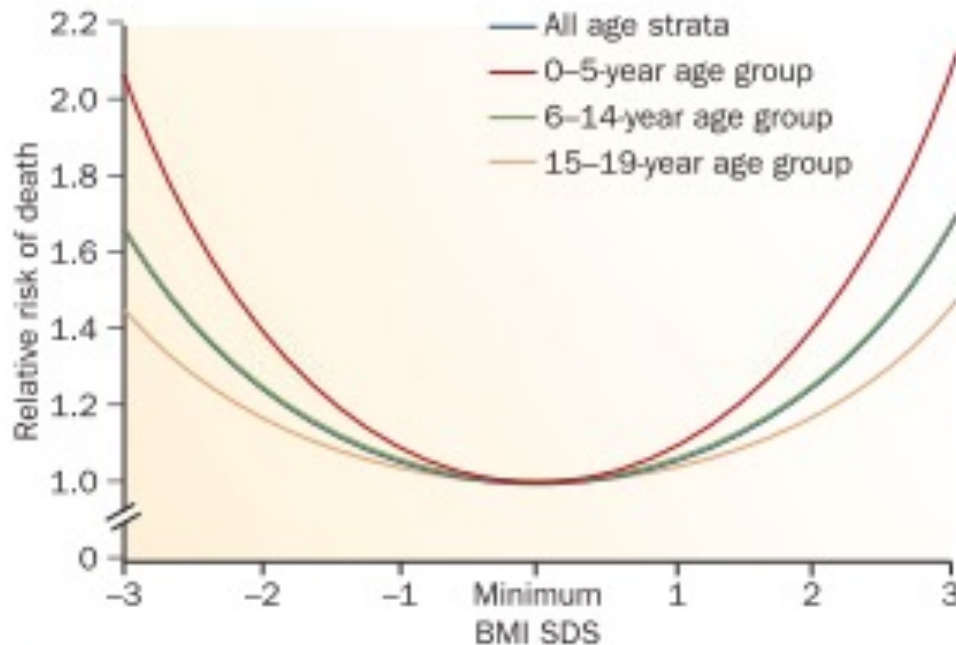




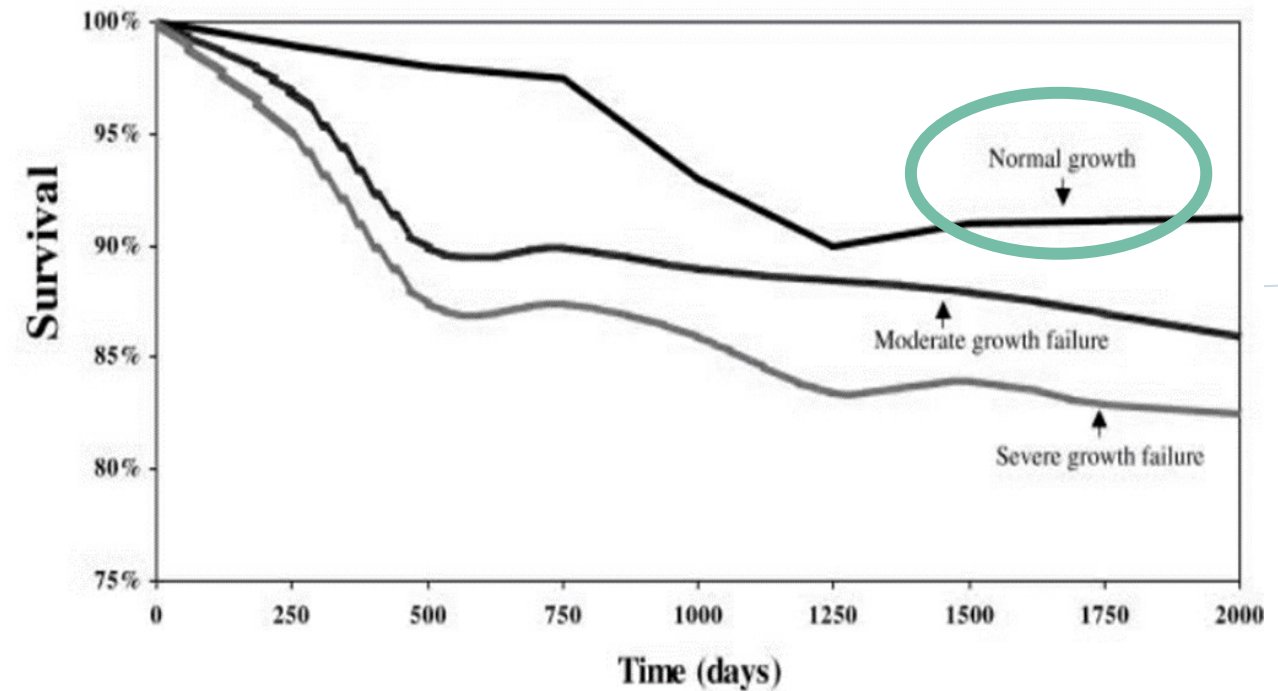


# Adequate nutrition & growth are closely related to outcome

Adequate hemodialysis



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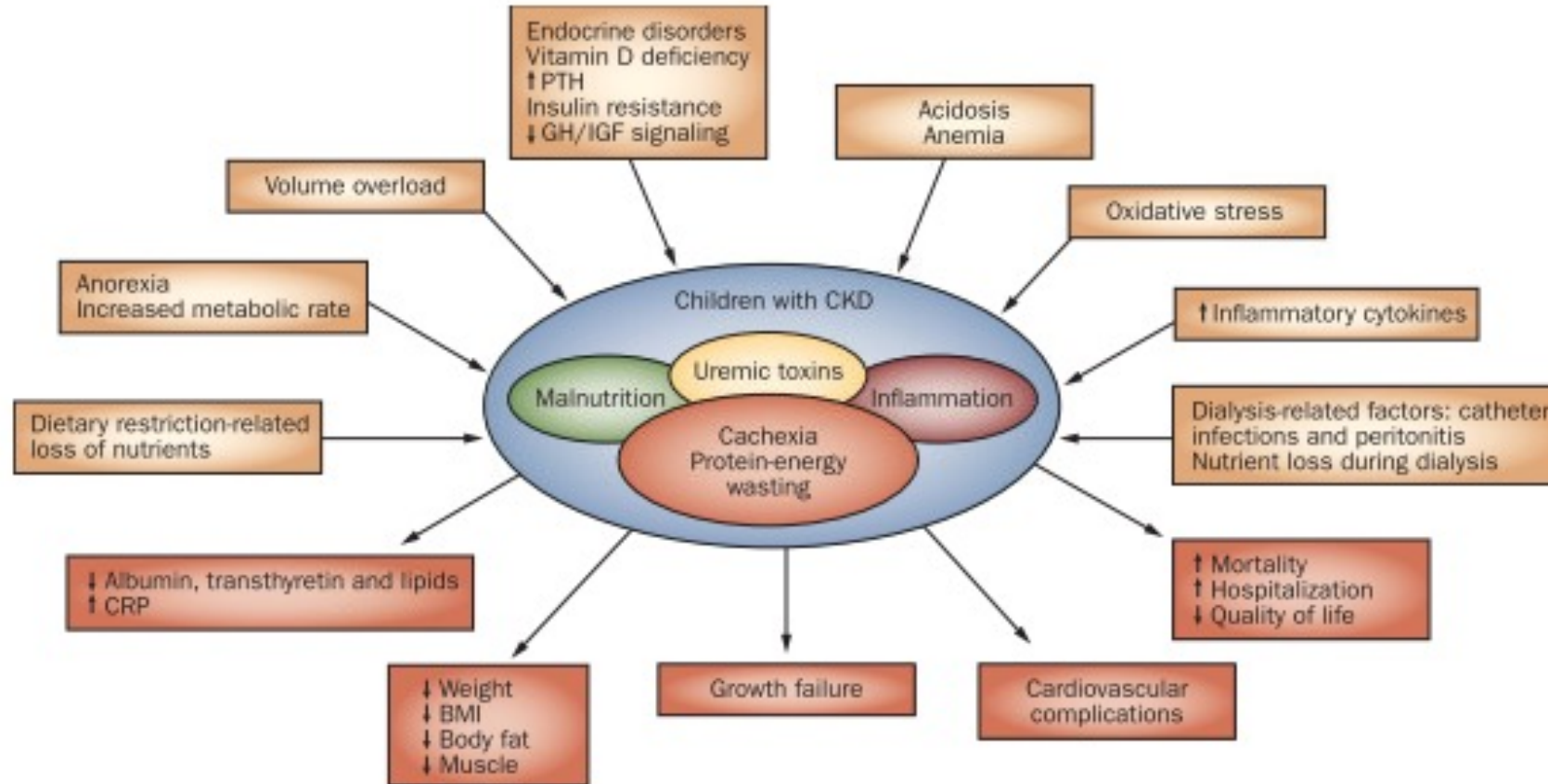
NUTRITION AND GROWTH

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Energy and protein requirements for children with CKD, Pediatric Renal Nutrition Taskforce, Shaw et al. 2020 Ped Nephrol



# Multiple factors contribute to growth failure/PEW

Adequate hemodialysis



**Figure 3** | Schematic representation of the causes and manifestations of PEW in children with CKD. Abbreviations: CKD, chronic kidney disease; CRP, C-reactive protein; GH, growth hormone; IGF, insulin-like growth factor; PEW, protein-energy wasting; PTH, parathyroid hormone. Permission obtained from Springer Science+Business Media © Mak, R. H. et al. *Pediatr. Nephrol.* <http://dx.doi.org/doi.10.1007/s00467-011-1765-5>.<sup>68</sup>



# Growth is the best marker of dialysis adequacy



Adequate hemodialysis



Optimize nutrition, consider GH therapy

Correct Ca/P/PTH & metabolic acidosis

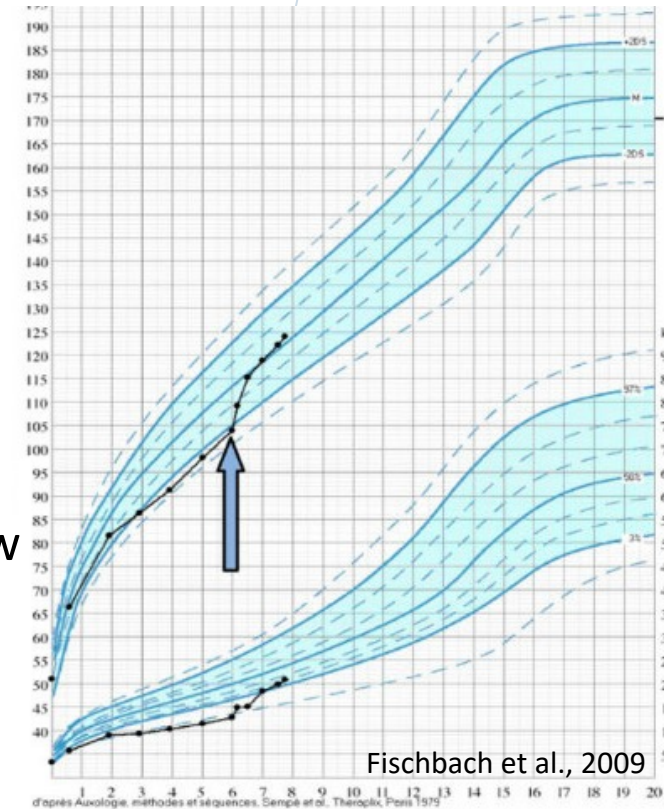
Optimize blood flows (access!)

Optimize dialyzer (high-flux/HDF), dialysate flow

**Optimize dialysis TIME**

CKD-MBD & ELECTROLYTES

NUTRITION AND GROWTH



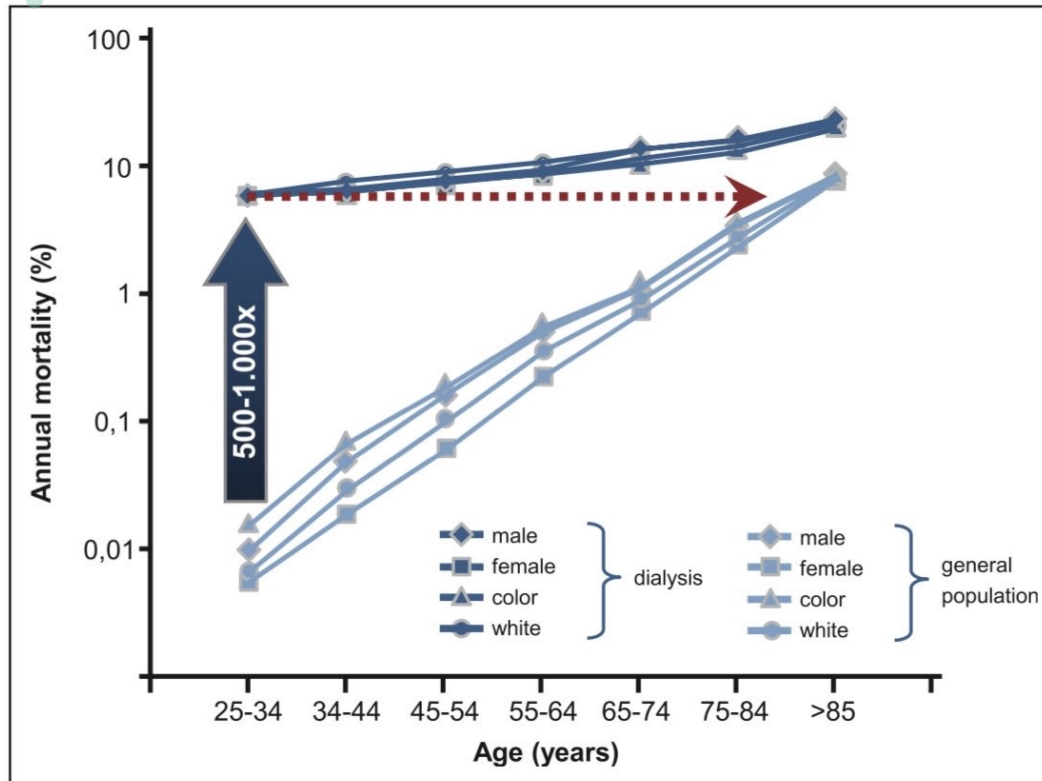
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# Optimize cardiovascular disease management

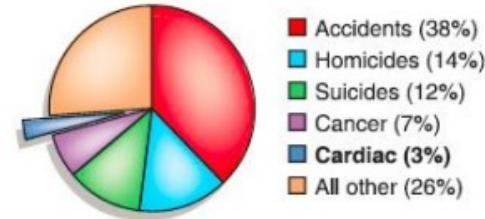
Most important cause of death in pediatric dialysis

Adequate hemodialysis

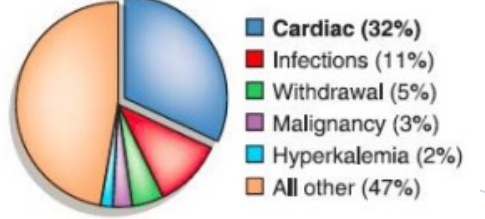


CARDIOVASCULAR CONTROL

General population  
1–24 years



Hemodialysis  
0–19 years



Adequate volume management that results in normal blood pressure with no/minimal antihypertensive agents and no LVH

Optimize Ca/P/PTH

Avoiding intra-dialytic hypotension (IDH)





# Adequate volume management

Dry weight assessment is moving target that needs frequent reassessment

Adequate hemodialysis

ABPM, orthostatic blood pressure

Bioelectric impedance (body composition monitoring, BCM)

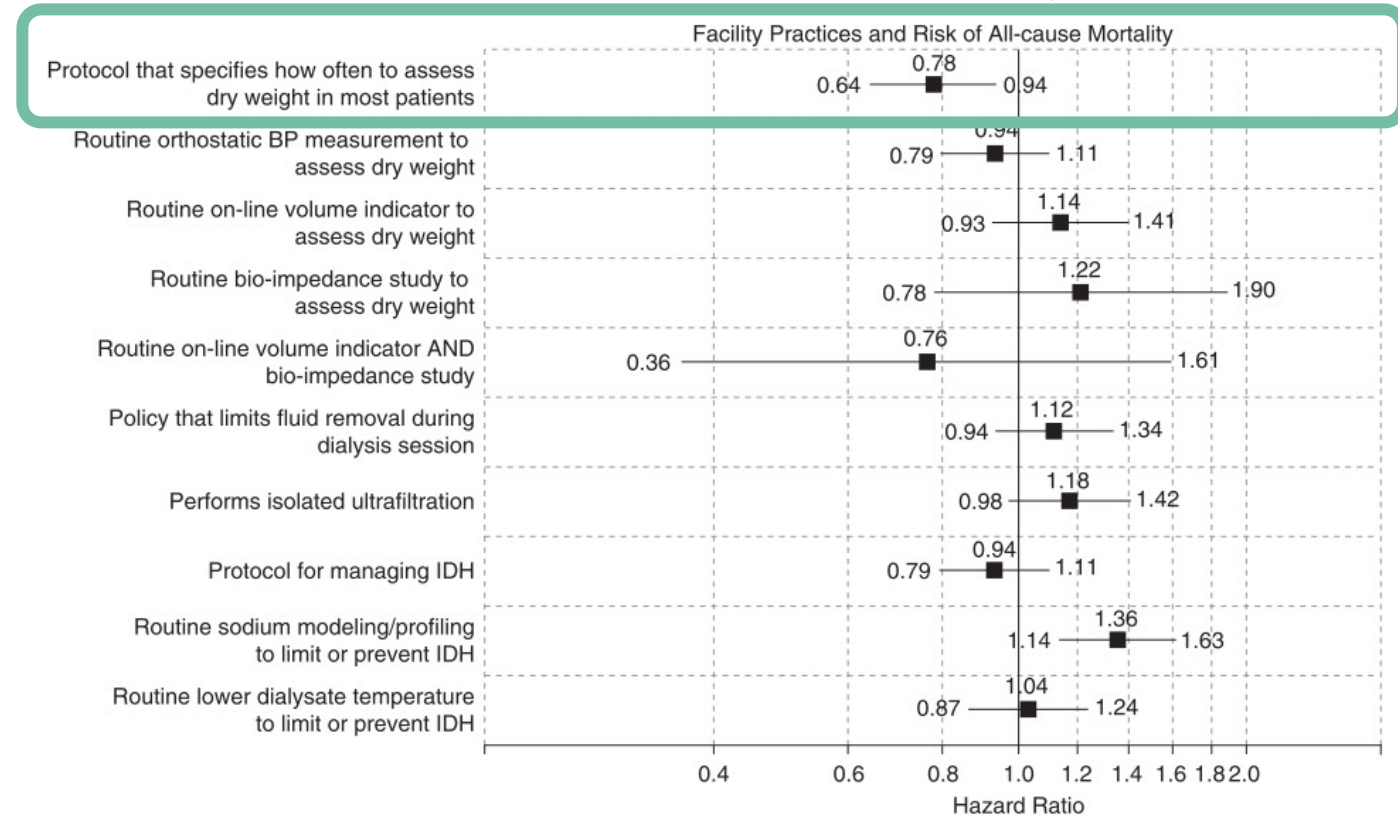
Relative blood volume monitoring



Adherence dietary salt restriction!

Avoid high ultrafiltration rates

CARDIOVASCULAR CONTROL



**Figure 1. | Associations between facility practices and risk of all-cause mortality (HR and 99% CI, n=10,250).** Data from patients after multiple imputation for missing data, adjusted for age, sex, country, mean predialysis systolic BP, vintage, smoking status, body mass index, kidney function, vascular access type, and single-pool Kt/V, comorbidities (coronary heart disease, congestive heart failure, other cardiovascular, cerebrovascular disease, hyperlipidemia, peripheral vascular disease, and diabetes). IDH, intradialytic hypotension.



# Intra-dialytic hypotension (IDH)

## Adequate hemodialysis



Acute symptoms



Myocardial stunning



Fluid overload



Reduced solute clearance



Cerebral hypoperfusion

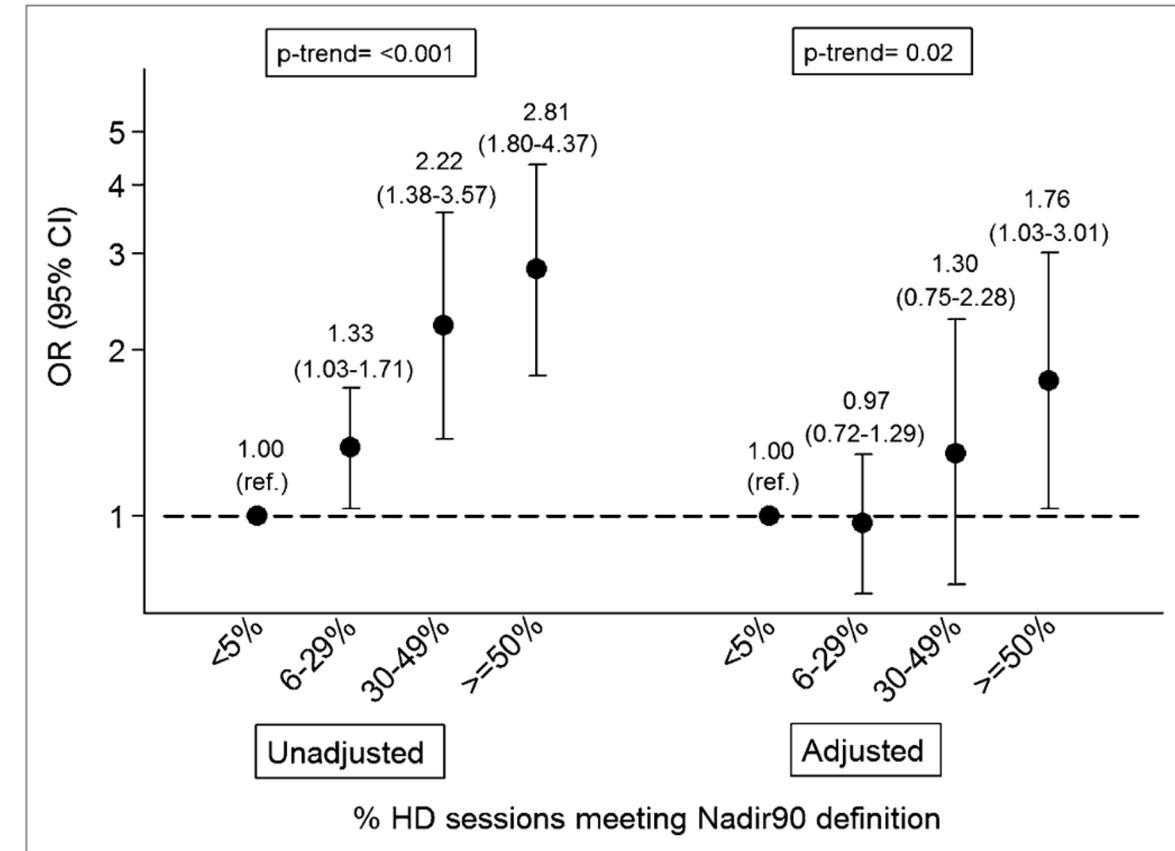


RKF decline

CARDIOVASCULAR CONTROL

= Intradialytic **systolic blood pressure <5th percentile** for age, and/or symptoms triggering

- **fluid bolus** administration or
- **cessation of ultrafiltration**





# Intra-dialytic hypotension (IDH)

Adequate hemodialysis

Multidisciplinary approach

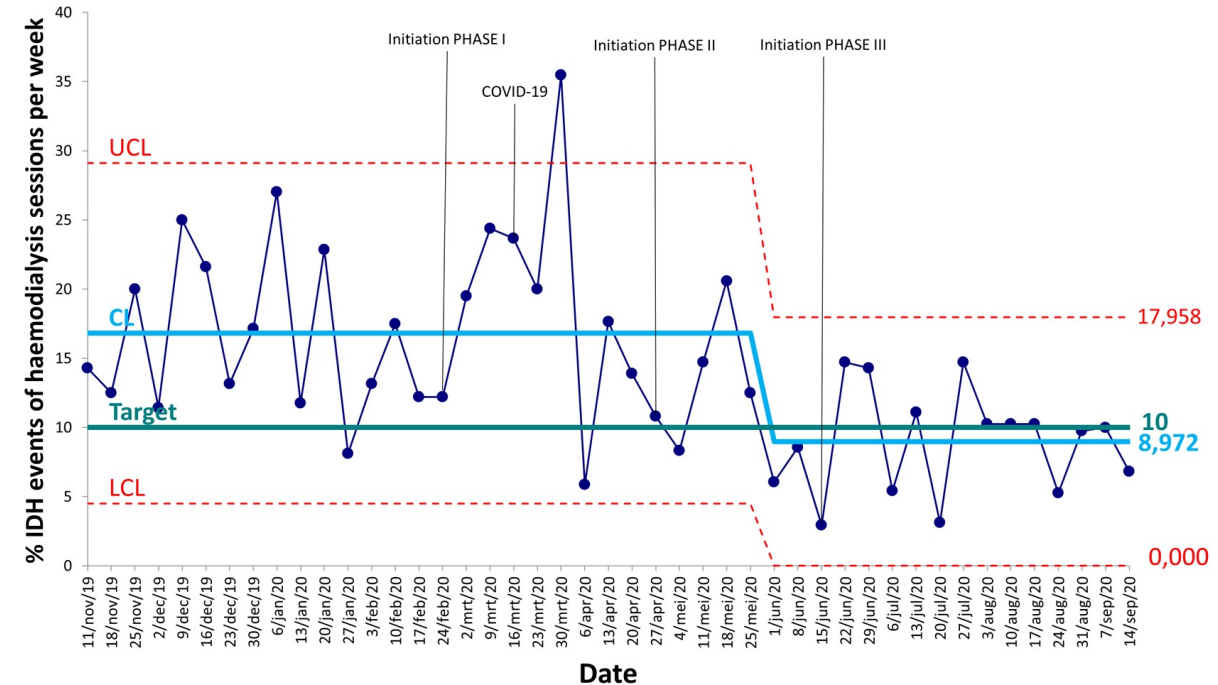
Education of the team

Embedded in electronic health records

- ↪ IDH events from 16,5% to 8,9%
- ↪ Antihypertensive use (22,1% to 14,8%)

CARDIOVASCULAR CONTROL

## Primary outcome c-chart: IDH events



Changing the culture & policy on fluid management have significant benefits for the patients





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# Complications

## INTRADIALYTIC HYPOTENSION

Saline 5mL/kg + UF stop

Assessment volume management!

## DISEQUILIBRIUM

Mannitol

## ANAPHYLAXIS

STOP dialysis without return of blood

Epinephrine IM  $\pm$  Hydrocortisone



## HEMOLYSIS

STOP dialysis without return of blood

check serum K

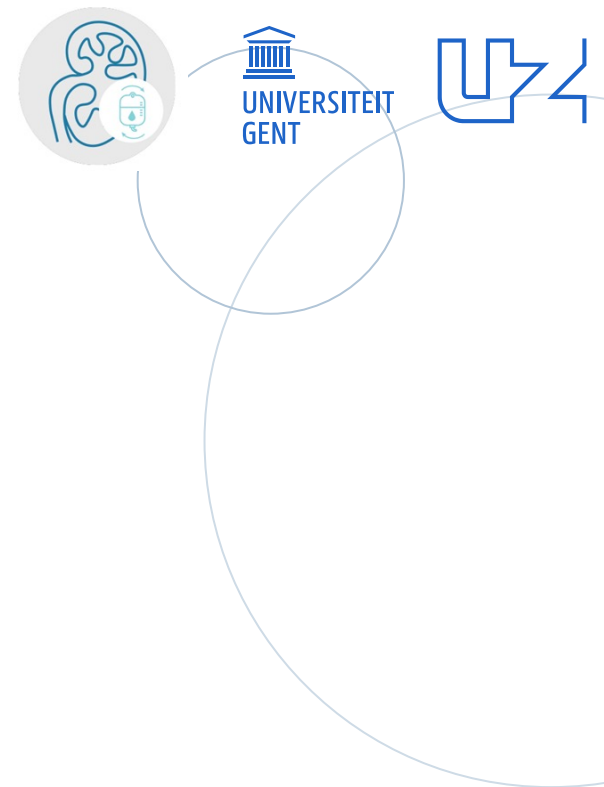
## AIR EMBOLISM

Clamp off source of air if possible

Lie patient on the left, head and chest down

100% oxygen

*Prevention!*



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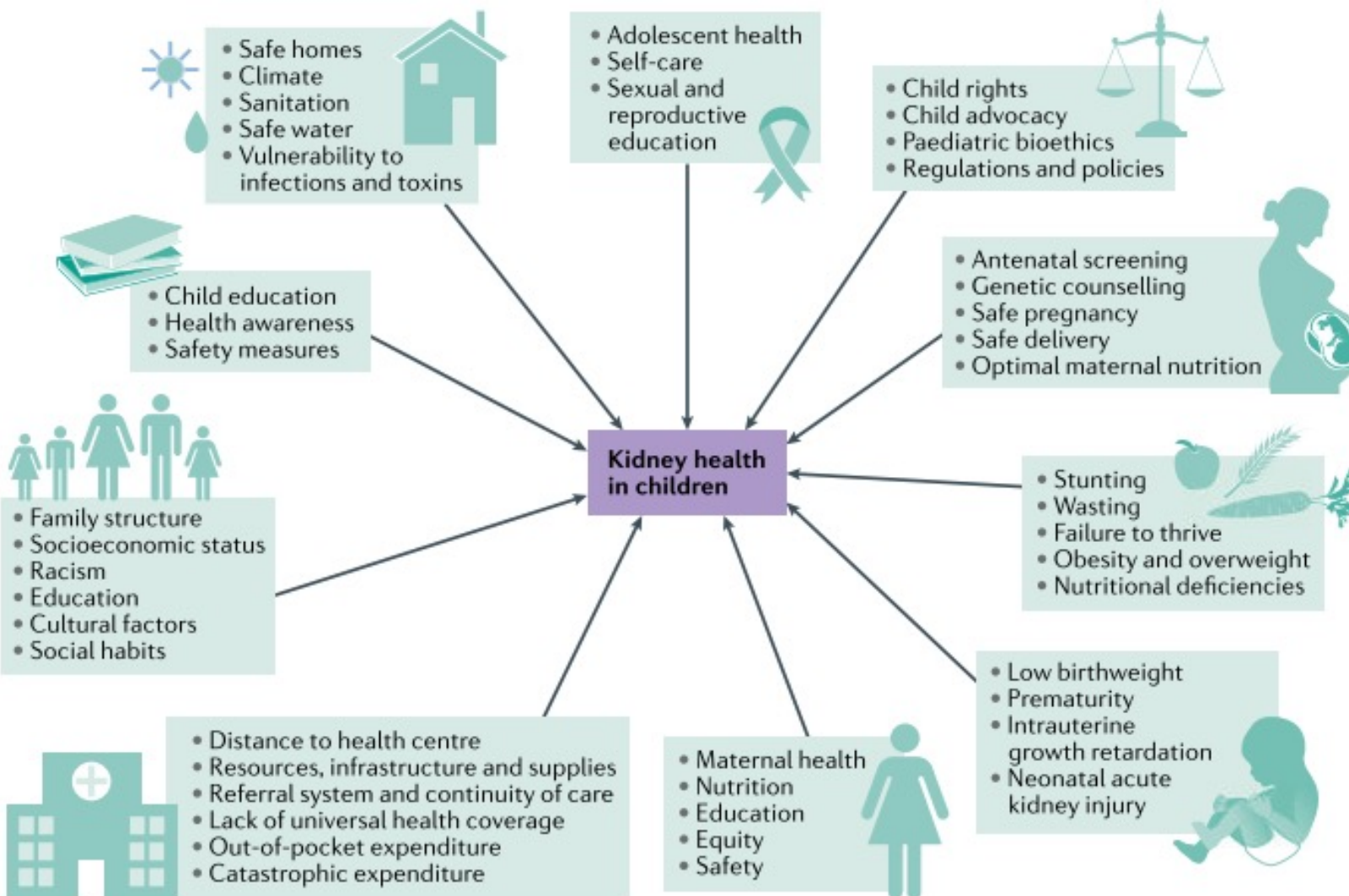
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# Multiple factors influence health of children & adolescents



»»» Particular vulnerable to the negative effects of social determinants

»»» Dialysis significantly impact children's rights of good education, recreational time to thrive

»»» Poverty has a significant impact on health

»»» Healthy & educated parents have healthier children

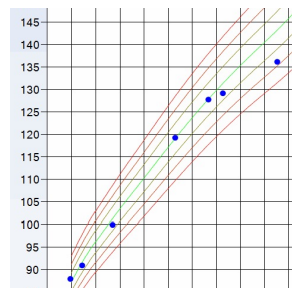


# It takes a village to raise a child on chronic dialysis

SOCIAL WORKER



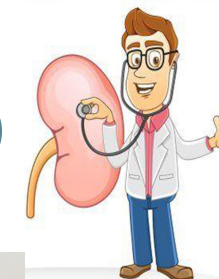
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PEDIATRIC  
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UROLOGIST, NEPHROLOGIST

TEACHER, PLAY THERAPIST

PSYCHOLOGIST



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## Take-home message

**Starts slow** & **be around** when initiating hemodialysis

Consider **patient-relevant clinical outcomes** to define “**adequate hemodialysis**”. In pediatrics, **growth** is probably the best marker of dialysis adequacy.

Do not forget “**The story of slow-moving solutes in fast hemodialysis**”

Continuous (multidisciplinary) **reassessment** is key



It takes a **multidisciplinary team** to raise a child on chronic dialysis







# THANK YOU!


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