

# Cystic kidney disease

The clinician's perspective

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# Outline

- Definitions, clinical presentation
- Pathophysiology of cyst formation
- Clinical implications, studies

# Hereditary polycystic diseases

- **Polycystic Kidney disease**
  - (AD, AR)
- **Juvenile nephronophthisis**
- **Cysts associated with multiple malformations**
  - **Autosomal dominant**
    - Tuberos sclerosis
    - von Hippel–Lindau disease
  - **X linked dominant**
    - Orofaciodigital syndrome, type I
  - **Autosomal recessive:**
    - Meckel syndrome, asphyxiating thorax dystrophy of Jeune type,
    - Zellweger cerebrohepatorenal syndrome,
    - Goldston syndrome, etc. (glomerulocystic disease in most of the cases)
  - **Chromosomal abnormalities**
    - 21 trisomy, 13 trisomy, 18 trisomy

# PKHD1

Carrier frequency 1:65

Incidence 1:15.000

ERDS in childhood

Collecting duct

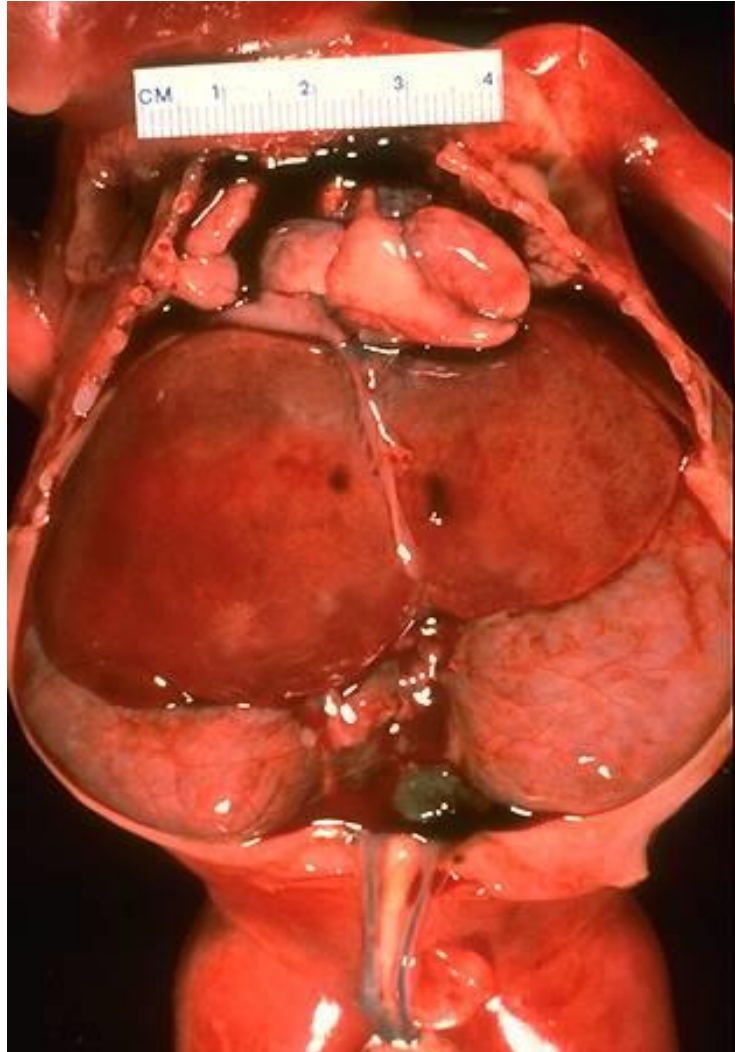
Liver fibrosis

# ARPKD

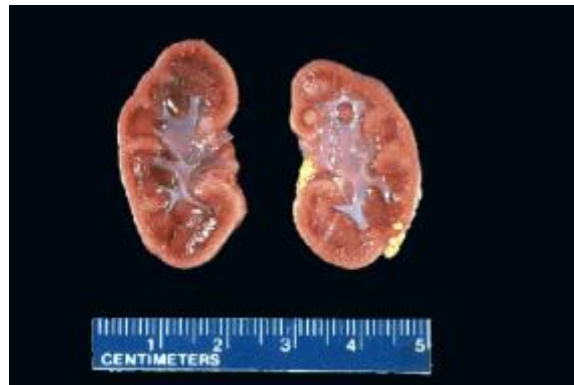
Enormous kidneys filling the abdomen

Preterm neonate (23. gestational week)

Respiratory distress, exitus lethalis



Normal kidney



ARPKD kidney

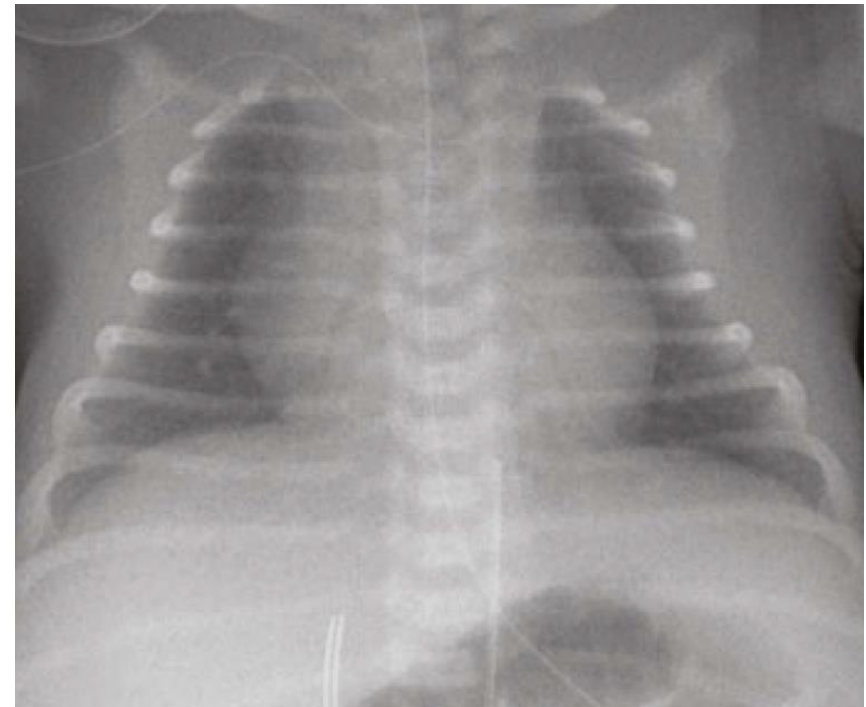


Enlarged kidney no corticomedullary difference

# Ten-day-old preterm infant (34th week) with autosomal recessive polycystic kidney disease



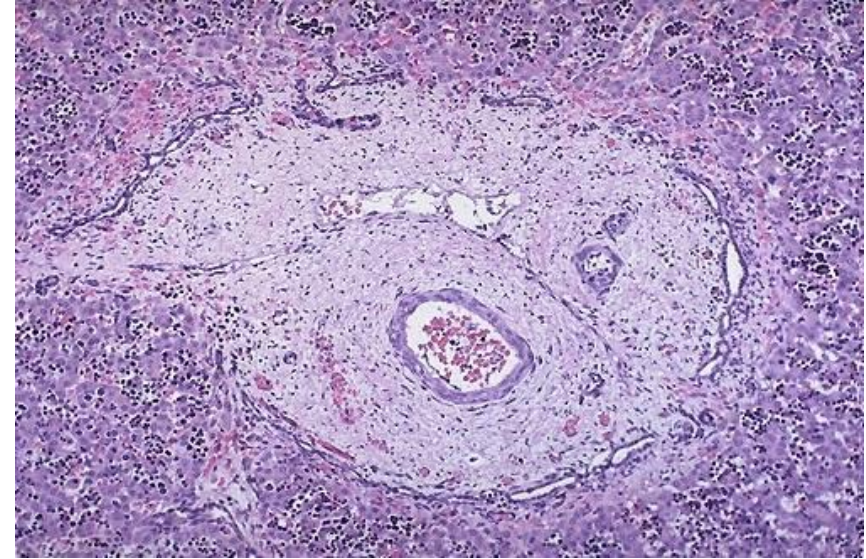
Pulmonary hypoplasia in ARPKD



# ARPKD



the kidney parenchyma is replaced  
by cysts



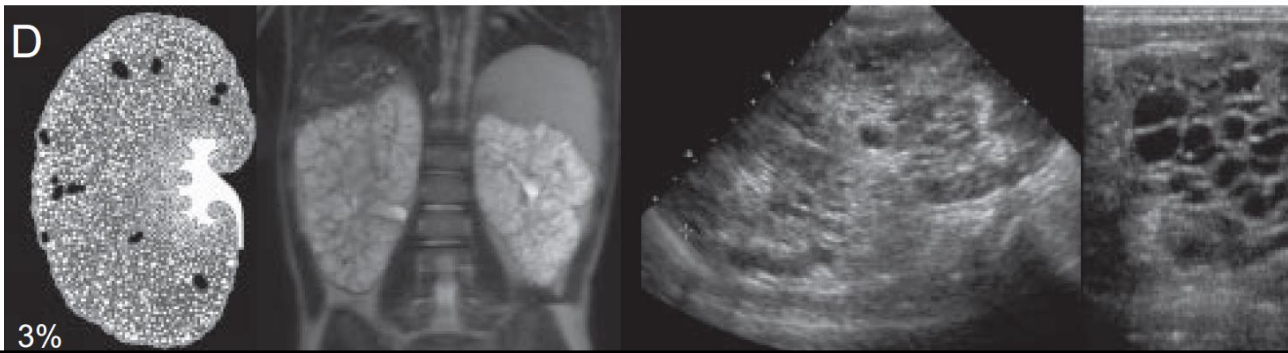
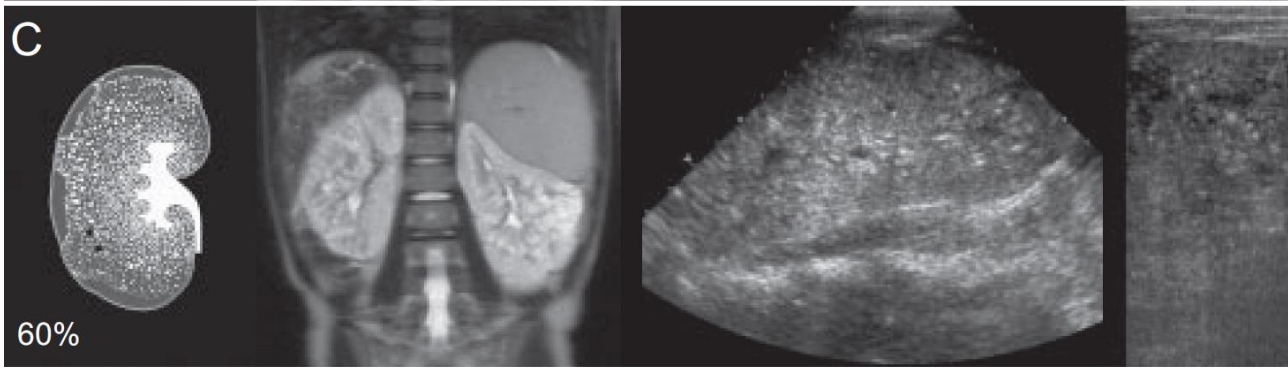
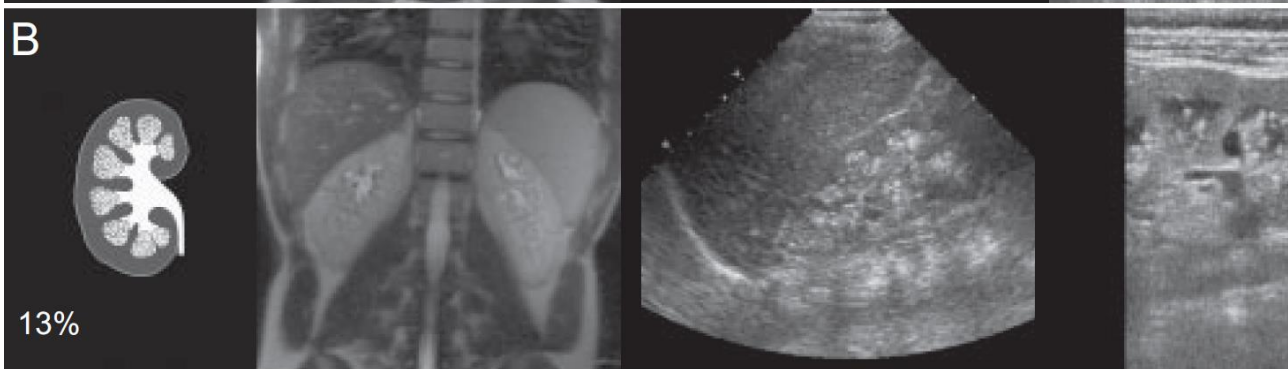
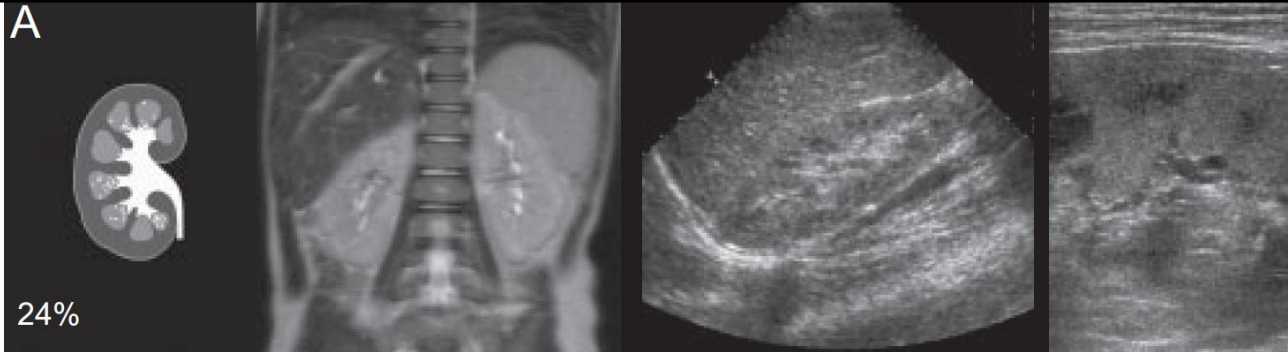
ARPKD: congenital liver fibrosis

The defective fibrocystin (see later)  
is present in the kidney, the liver  
and the pancreas as well

# ARPKD

## Principal consequences of renal manifestation

- **Foetus** (about 30% of the cases)
  - oligohydramnios, pulmonary hypoplasia, Potter sequence, IU death
- **Newborn**
  - **Severe CRF** – usually combined with respiratory distress
  - **Less severe CRF** - hypertension, electrolyte-, acid-base imbalance, failure to thrive
  - **Normal kidney function** and less severe manifestations
    - mild proteinuria, glucosuria, hyperphosphaturia, increased urinary excretion of magnesium)
  - Recurrent episodes of **UTI**
  - **Kidney function may recover with time**



# Kidney ultrasound patterns in ARPKD

N=62

Clin J Am Soc Nephrol  
5: 972–984, 2010



# Principal extrarenal manifestations

- Hepatic fibrosis
  - May be present already at infancy
  - Dominantly vascular involvement (portal hypertension)
  - Parenchymal insufficiency later during the course
  - Severe adverse events
    - Bleeding from esophageal varices
    - Encephalopathy
  - Finally may need hepatic transplantation

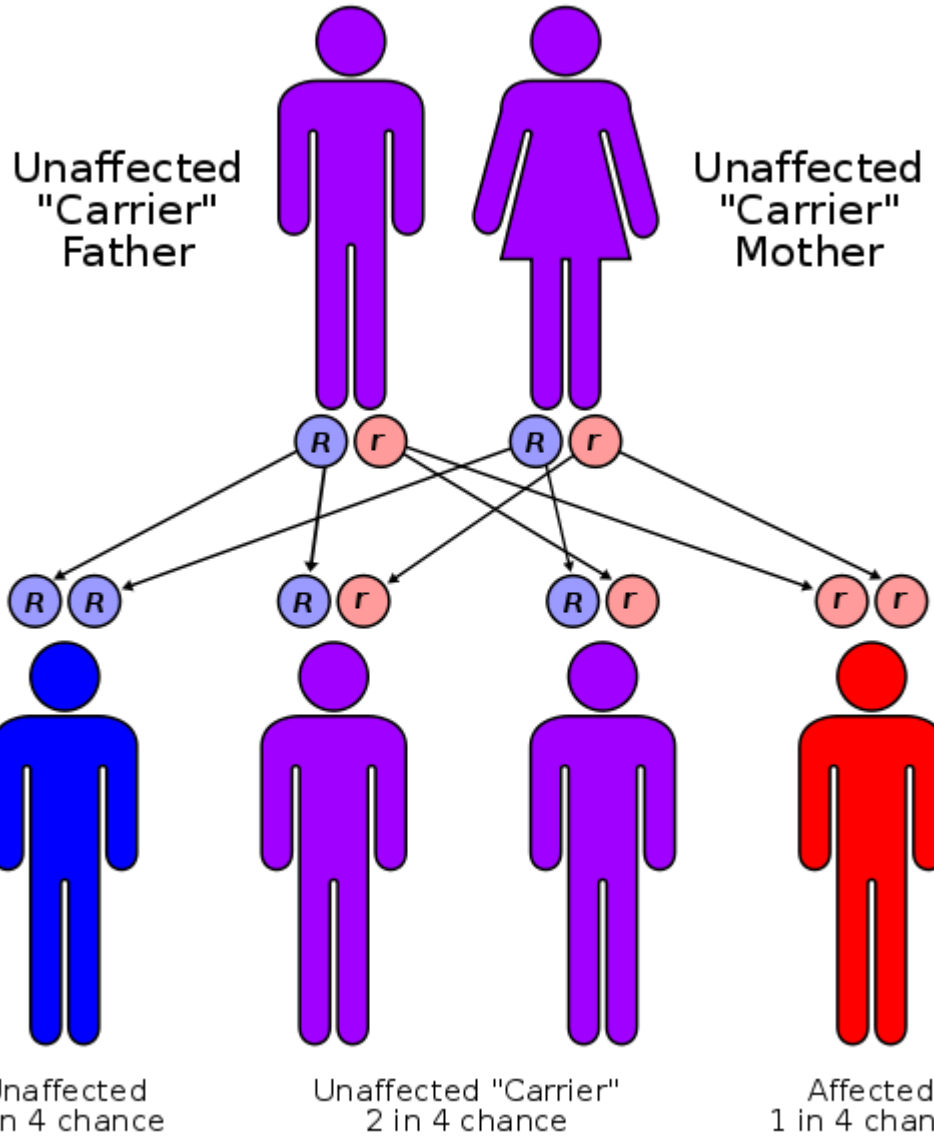
# Color Doppler ultrasound and endoscopy of a 8-year-old boy with ARPKD and esophageal and gastric varices



# Family counseling - genetic testing

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- Linkage member

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## PKD1>PKD2

Incidence 1:500-1.000 (5% sporadic)

Fourth cause of ESRD

PKD1: ESRD at 54 y - PKD2 at 74 y

Collecting duct, distal nephron

Liver and pancreatic cysts

# ADPKD



Enlarged kidneys filling the retroperitoneum and the abdominal cavity



The parenchyma is replaced by cysts

# Principal consequences of renal manifestation

## Hypertension

May be the first sign of disease

## Hematuria

May be due to kidney stone formation or macro/micro trauma affecting one or multiple cysts

## UTI

Infection of the cystic parenchyma may lead to abscess formation

## Cyst rupture

Cysts subject to trauma may rupture

# Principal extrarenal manifestations

## Hepatic and pancreatic cysts

Asymptomatic in many patients, but can expand and cause pain and infection; rarely massive PLD

## Cardiac valvular abnormalities

Mitral, tricuspid and aortic valve prolapse and regurgitation

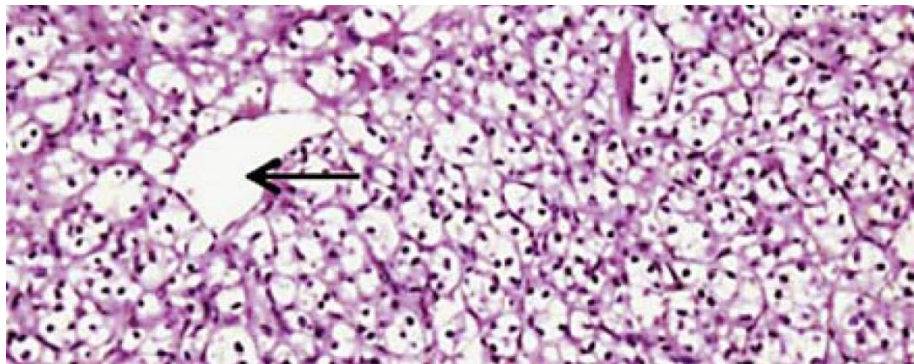
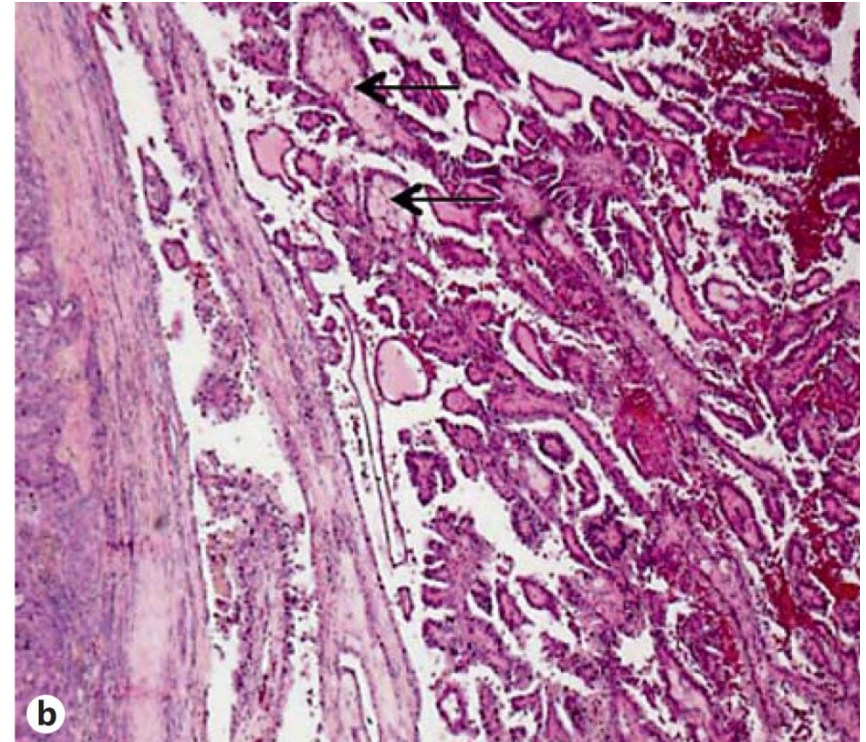
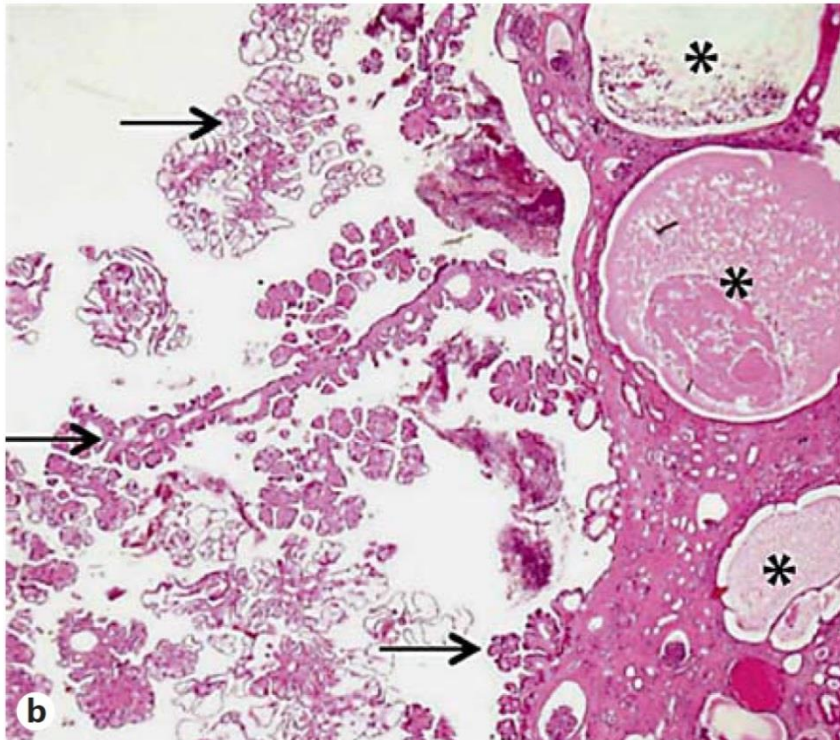
## Intracranial aneurysms

Low risk of rupture; size predictive. Found in approximately 5% of patients with no family history and about 22% of patients with family history of ICA or SAH

## Seminal vesicle cysts

Found in 39-60% of men; undefined risk of infertility

# ADPKD: Renal Neoplasias in Surgical Kidney Specimens



N=240

Malignancy: 12/240 = 5% (8/12 on dialysis)

63% papillary 31% clear cell RCC

6% urothelial CC

# Presymptomatic diagnosis of ADPKD

- AD inheritance
- Selection of transplant donor within an ADPKD family
- Benefits
  - Earlier clinical intervention, i.e., for hypertension
- Potential adverse impact on insurability and employment
  - At this time, there is no specific therapy for ADPKD
- ?Prenatal diagnosis
- ?Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis



# US criteria for ADPKD in a PKD family

age	Number of cysts
< 30	At least 2 cysts in one or both kidneys
30-59	At least 2 cysts/kidney
>60	At least 4 cysts/kidney

At least one family member ESRD  $\leq$  55 years

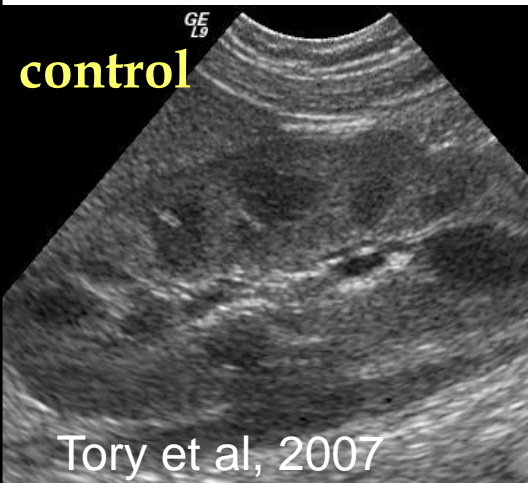
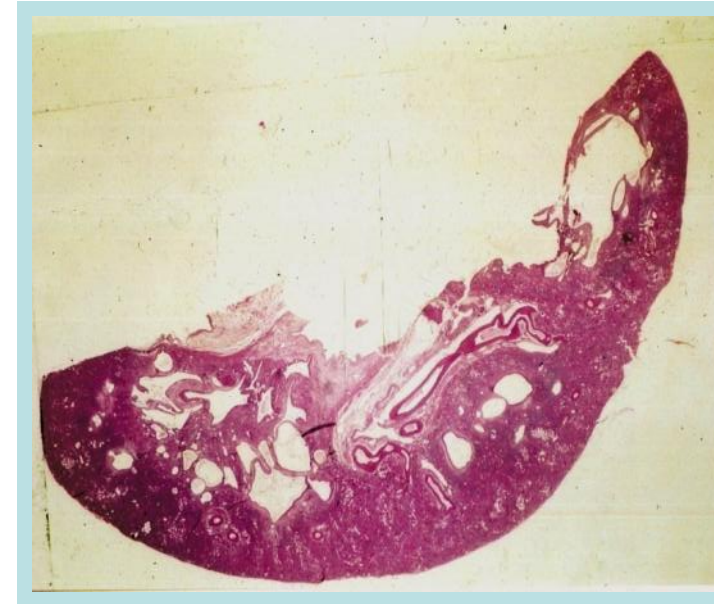
JASN 20:205, 2009, JASN 20:1833, 2009

# US criteria or in a family with unknown genotype

age	cysts
15-39	At least 3 cysts in one or both kidneys
40-59	At least 2 cysts/kidney
>60	At least 4 cysts/kidney
No ADPKD if:	
≥40	< 2 cysts

# Nephronophthisis – macroscopic morphology

1. Dimension: in juvenile NPH the kidney is usually small, in the infantile type it may be enlarged (+2-3 SD)
2. Cysts: several cysts at the cortico-medullary boundary. Not a real „cystic” disease!
3. **Hyperechogenic**, the cortico-medullary boundary is blurred



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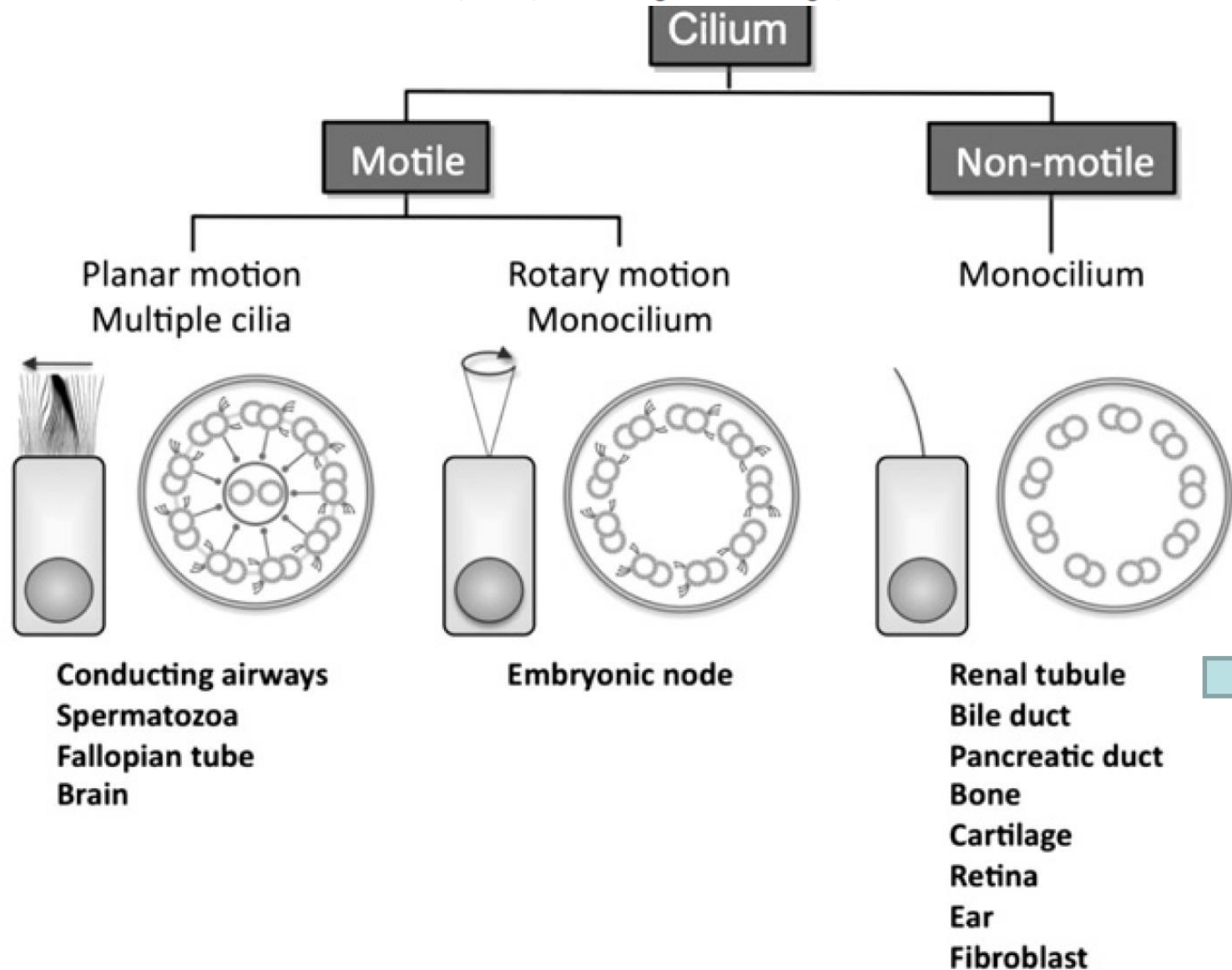
# The Cilia Saga

# Genes involved in hereditary cystic diseases:

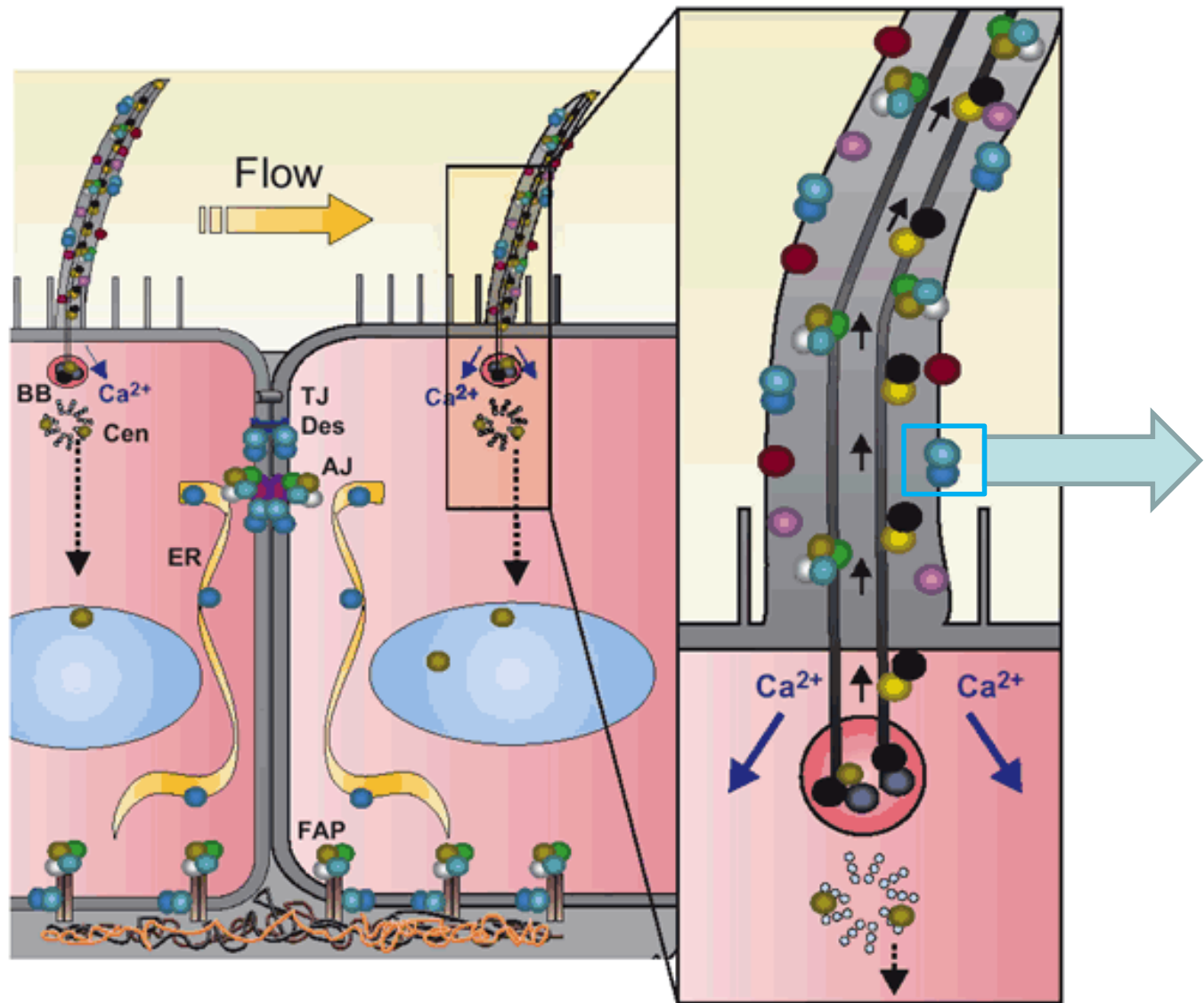
cystic diseases are caused by mutations in genes encoding for proteins involved in the function or structure of the cilia and/or the basal bodies

# Ciliopathies: The Central Role of Cilia in a Spectrum of Pediatric Disorders

Thomas W. Ferkol, MD<sup>1</sup>, and Margaret W. Leigh, MD<sup>2</sup>

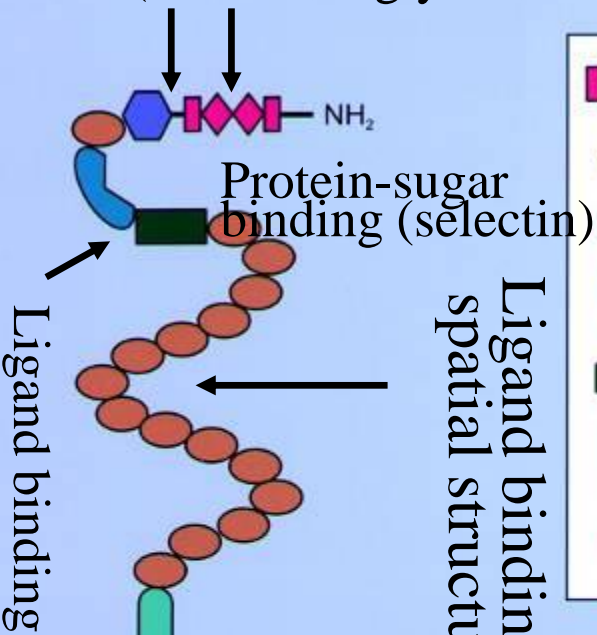


- Nephrocystin
- Inversin
- NPHP3
- Nephroretinin
- PC-1
- PC-2
- OFD1
- Polyductin
- Cystin
- Polaris
- Kif 3a
- $\beta$ -tubulin

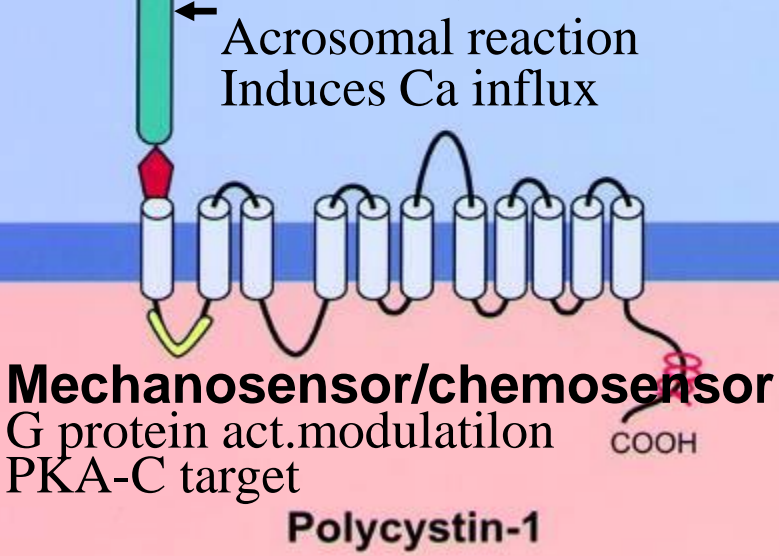




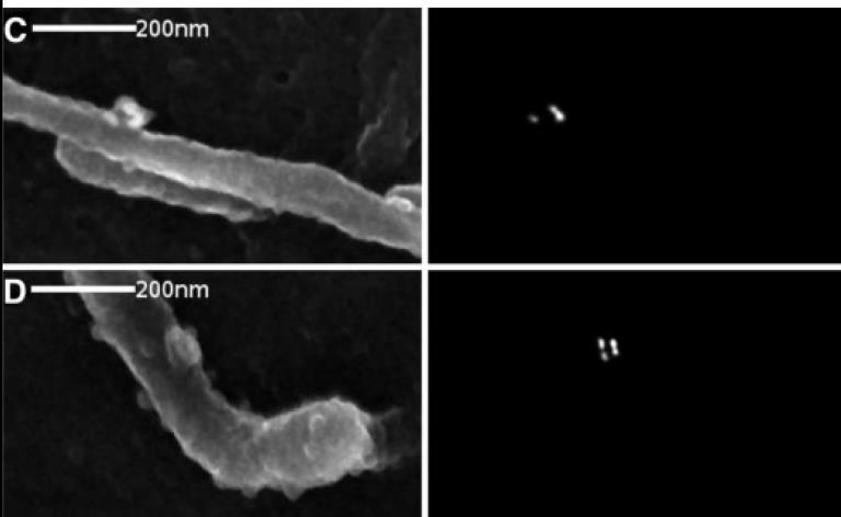
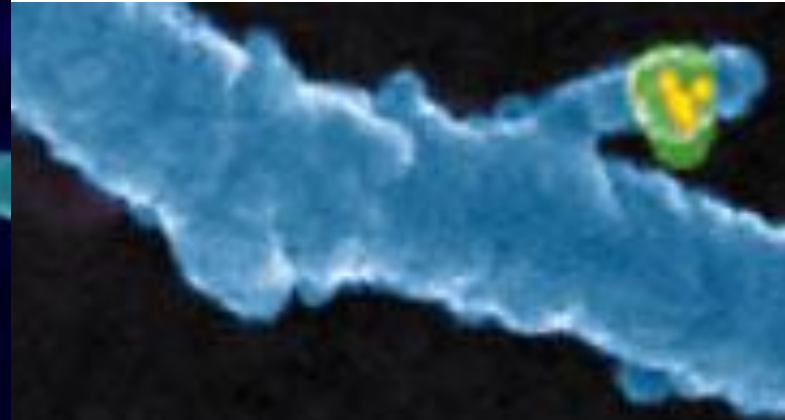
Protein-protein binding  
(decorin, biglycan, Toll receptor)



	Leucine-rich repeats		Lipoxygenase Homology 2
	WSC homology		Coiled coil
	PKD domain		EF hand
	C-type lectin		ER retention signal
	LDL-A-related		IPT domain
	REJ domain		PbH1 domain
	GPS domain		



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Bakeberg JL, et al. Epitope-tagged Pkhd1 tracks the processing, secretion and localization of fibrocystin. *JASN*. 2011;22:2266

# Unifying concept: the example of nephronophthisis

- Tubulointerstitial nephropathy
  - Polyuria, polydipsia
  - Anemia
  - Normal blood pressure
  - ESRD
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- Further characteristics
    - Multiple syndromes and type of inheritance
    - Joubert, Bardet Biedl
    - Associated anomalies
      - Liver,
      - CNS
      - Retina
      - Olfactory
      - (Hearing)
      - Situs inversus
      - Kartagener syndrome

# Nephronophthysis

- diversity

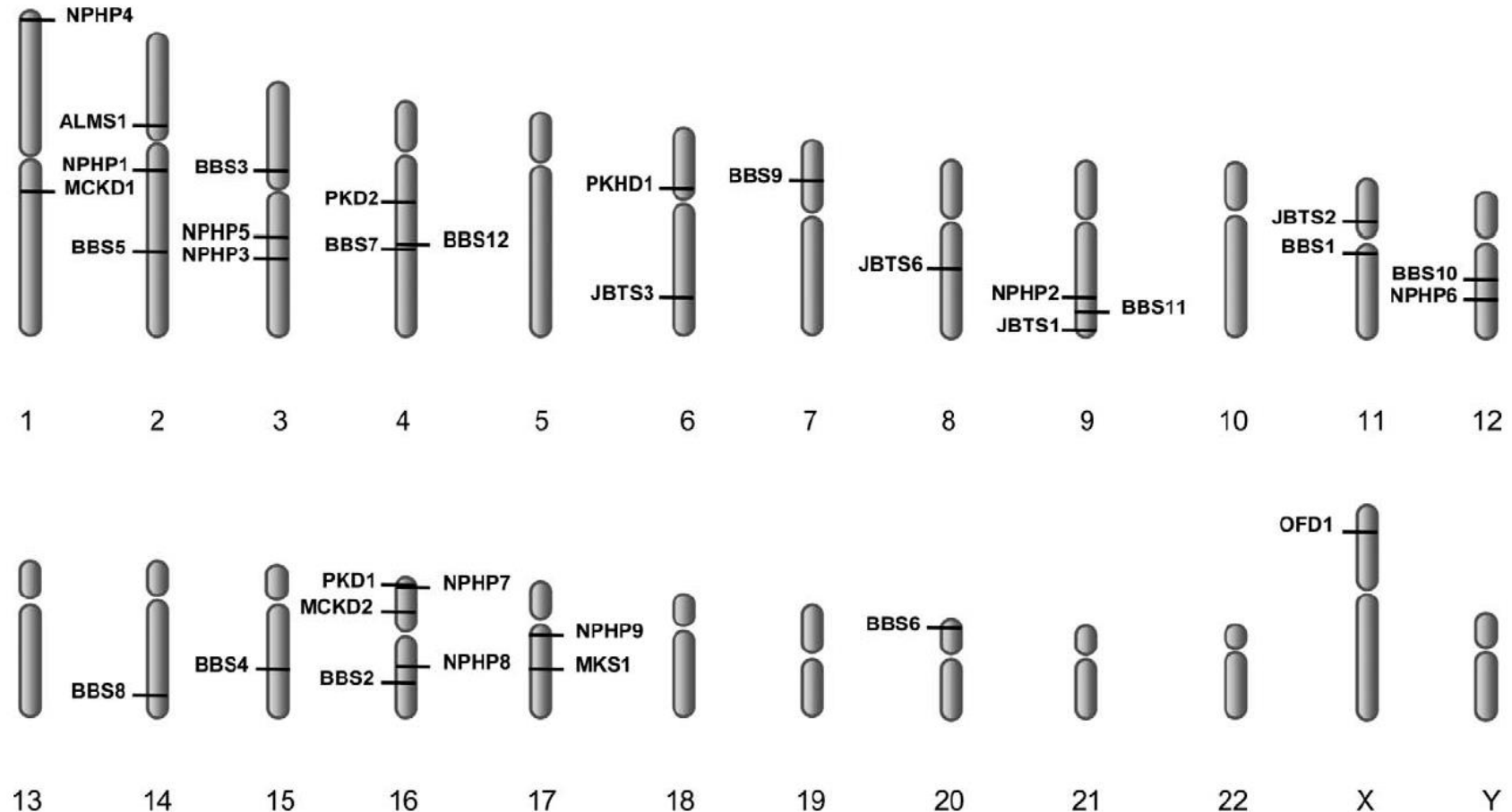
**Table 1** Genetic heterogeneity and overlap of nephronophthysis (NPH), Senior-Løken, Joubert, and Meckel-Gruber syndromes

Locus	Chromosome	Gene*	Clinical manifestations
NPHP1/SLSN1	2q13	<i>NPHP1</i> (nephrocystin-1)	Juvenile neph (mild JBTS, mild RP, Cogan)
NPHP2	9q31	<i>NPHP2/INVS</i> (Inversin)	Infantile neph (RP, liver fibrosis, HT)
NPHP3/SLSN3	3q22	<i>NPHP3</i> (nephrocystin-3)	Juvenile neph (liver fibrosis, RP)
NPHP4/SLSN4	1p36	<i>NPHP4</i> (nephrocystin-4 or nephroretinin)	Juvenile neph (Cogan, RP)
NPHP5/SLSN5	3q21	<i>NPHP5/IQCB1</i>	Juvenile neph + severe RP
NPHP6/SLSN6/JBTS5/ MKS4	12q21	<i>NPHP6/CEP290</i>	Juvenile neph + JBTS + severe RP, isolated RP, (MKS)
NPHP7	16p	<i>NPHP7/GLIS2</i>	Juvenile neph
NPHP8/JBTS7/MKS5	16q	<i>NPHP8/RPGRIP1L</i>	Juvenile neph + JBTS (MKS)
NPHP9	17q11	<i>NPHP9/NEK8</i>	Juvenile and infantile neph

- ... and ciliae

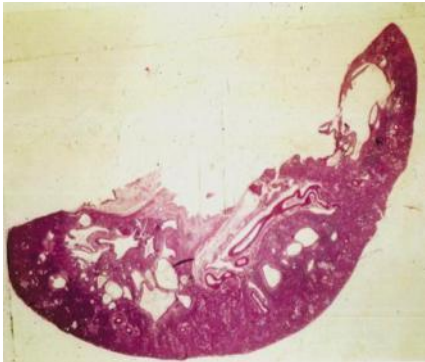
# Cystic Diseases of the Kidney

## Molecular Biology and Genetics



*Constantinos Deltas, PhD; Gregory Papagregoriou, MRes*  
**Arch Pathol Lab Med. 2010;134:569–582)**

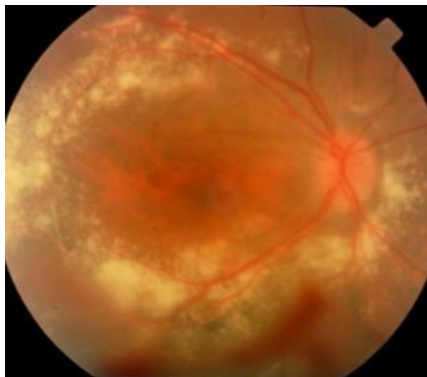
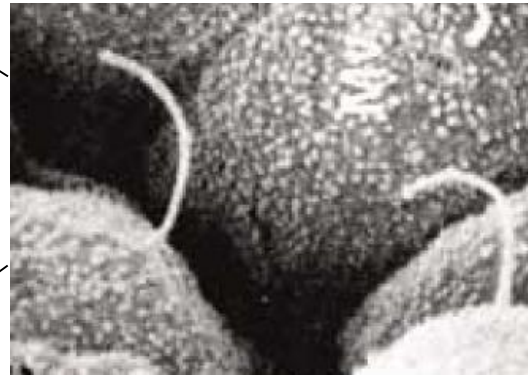
# Ciliary proteins – the nephrocystins



**Nephrocystin 1-10**

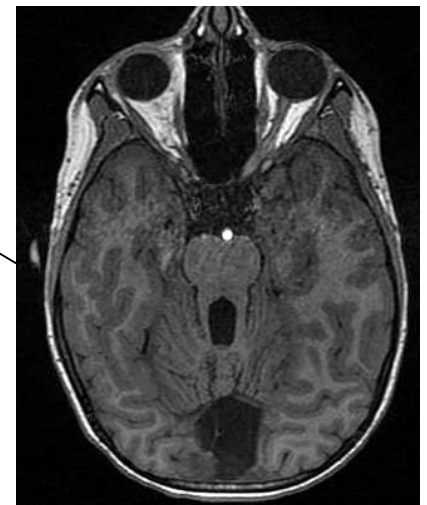


**IFT-80**



**Nephrocystin  
1,3,4,5,6,  
RPGR,  
RPGRIPI1**

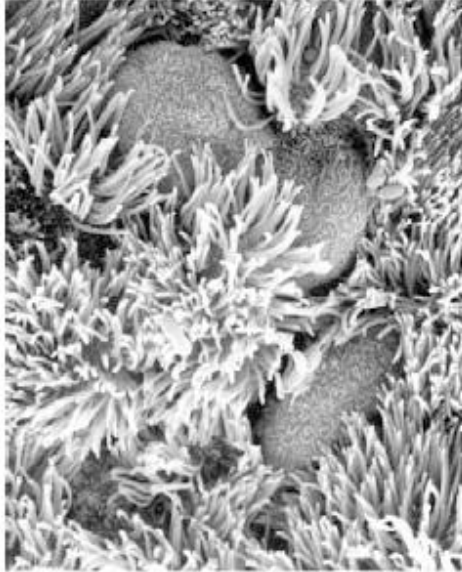
**Nephrocystin 1,6,8,  
meckelin**



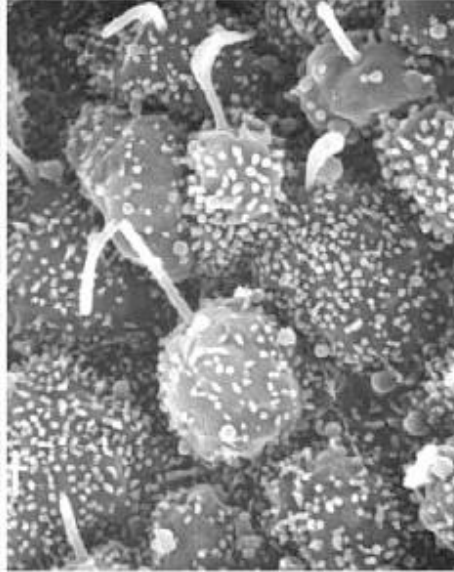
# The concept

- Inherited cystic diseases are caused by:
  - a defect of proteins involved in the structure and/or the function of the ciliae
- Clinical signs and symptoms: depend on the distribution of the expression of the given protein in the different types of ciliae
  - Evolutionary examples
  - situs inversus, cartagener
  - nephronophthisis - overlaps

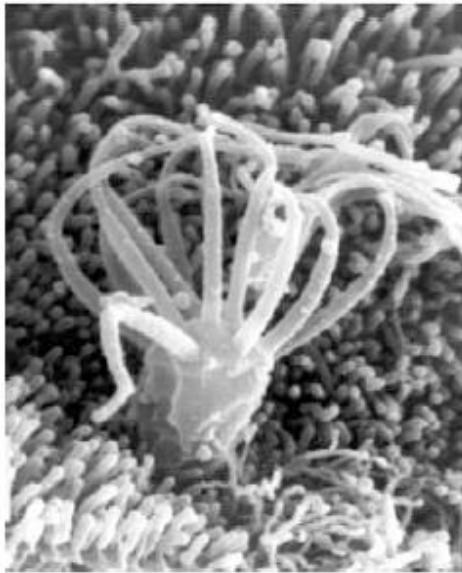
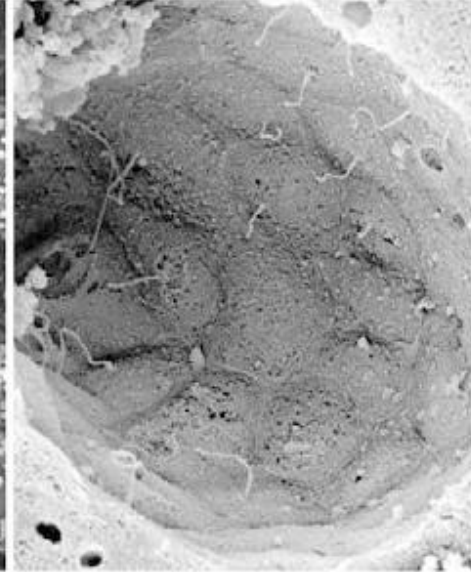
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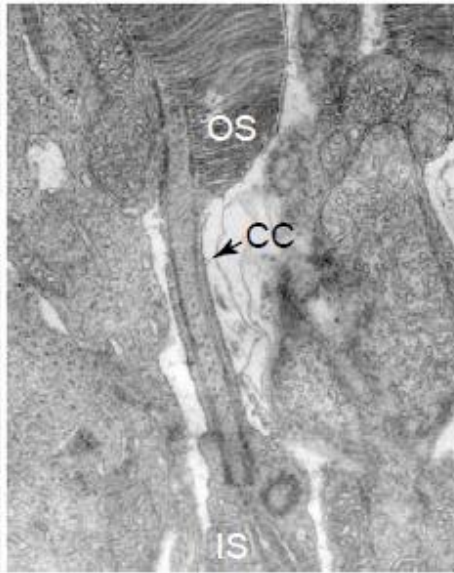
(b) Primary node



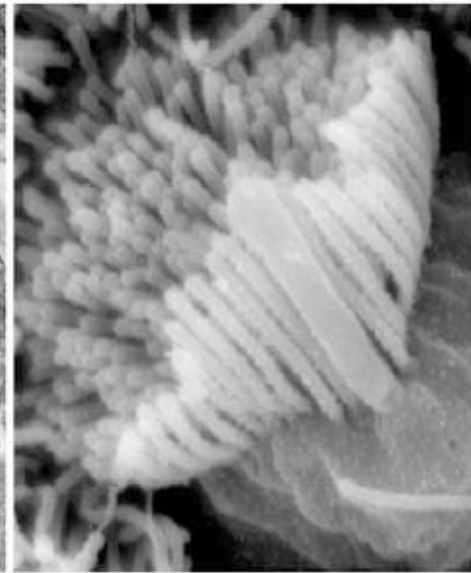
(c) Renal tubular



(d) Olfactory



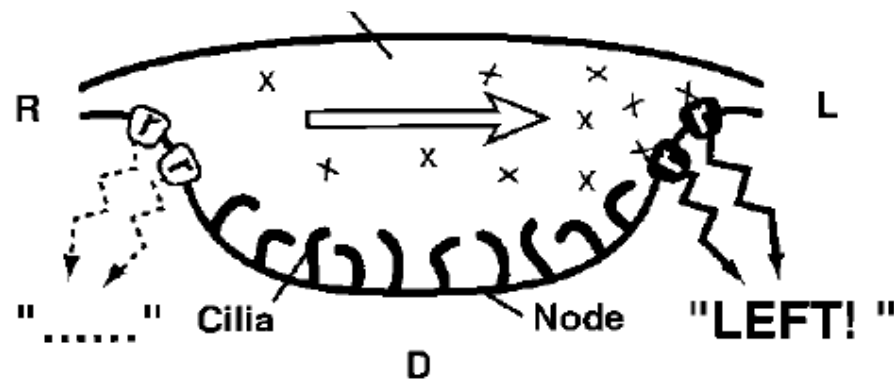
(e) Retinal



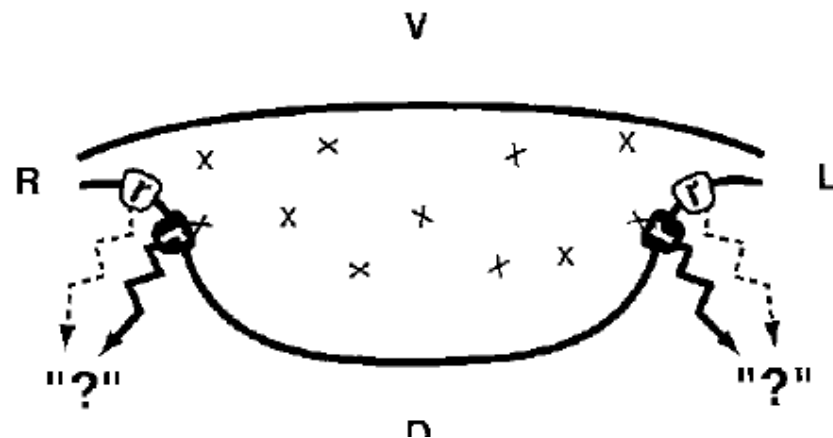
(f) Vestibular



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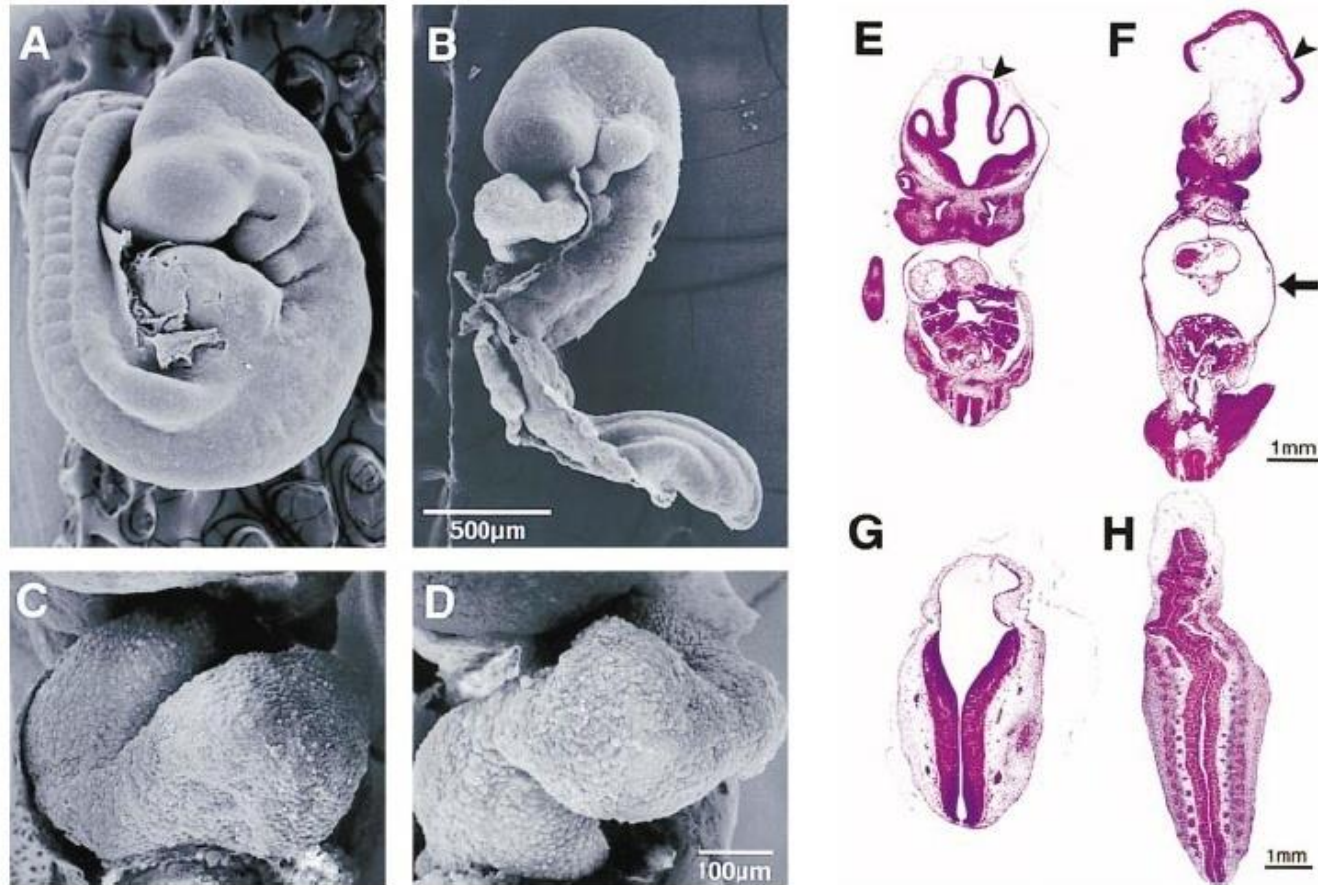


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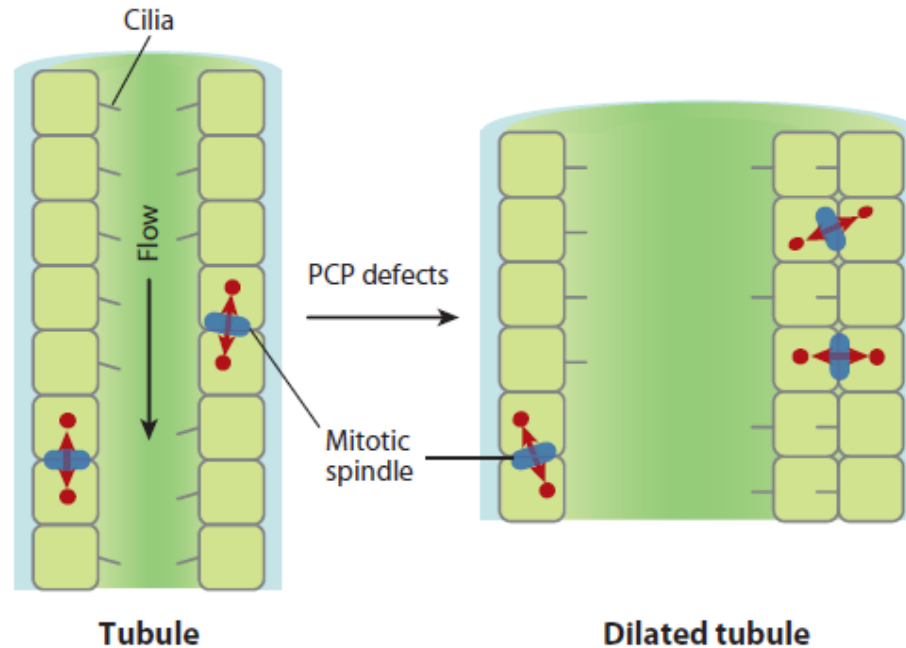


Shigenori Nonaka, <sup>1</sup>

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# Ciliary disease and the kidney: „loss of orientation”

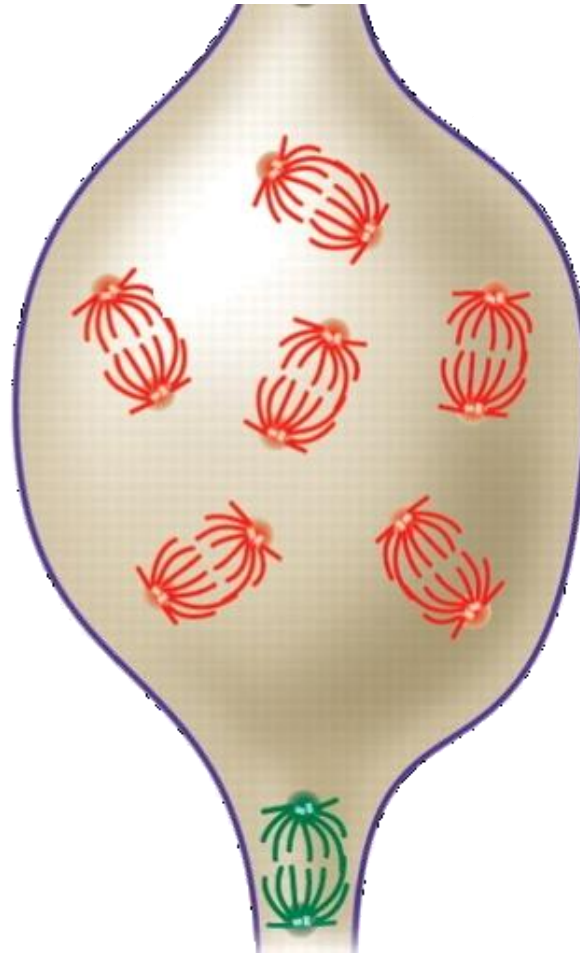


# Loss of Planar Polarity: Cyst Initiation

Normal



PKD



# CRITICAL THRESHOLD

ARPKD

TWO INACTIVATING  
MUTATIONS



**PERINATAL  
DEATH**

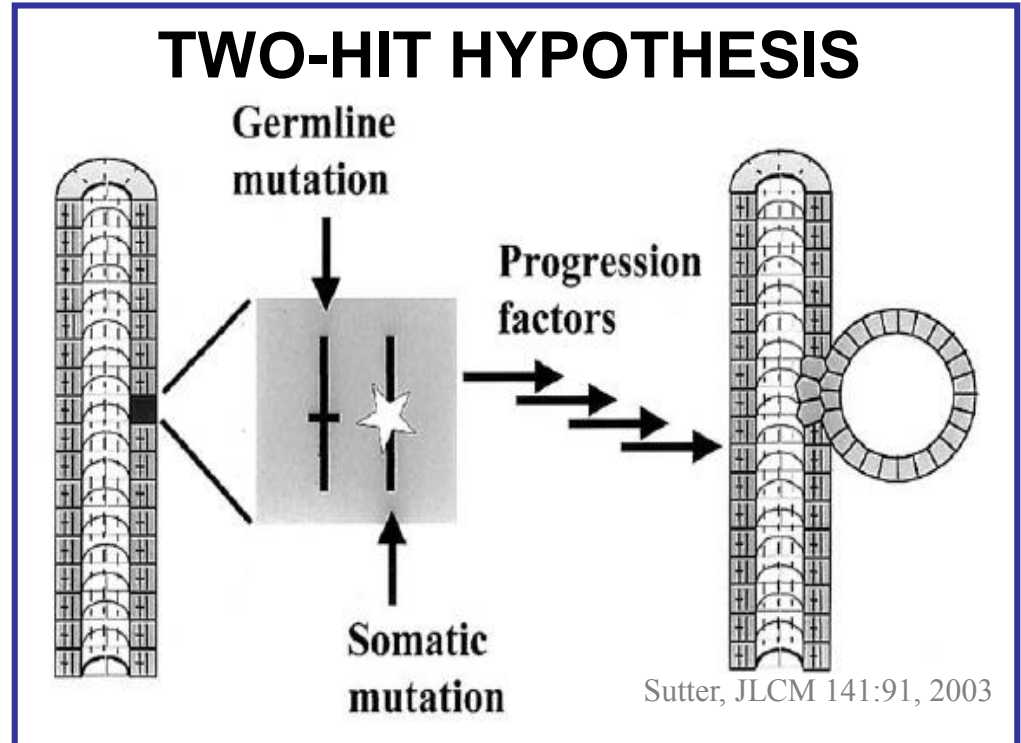
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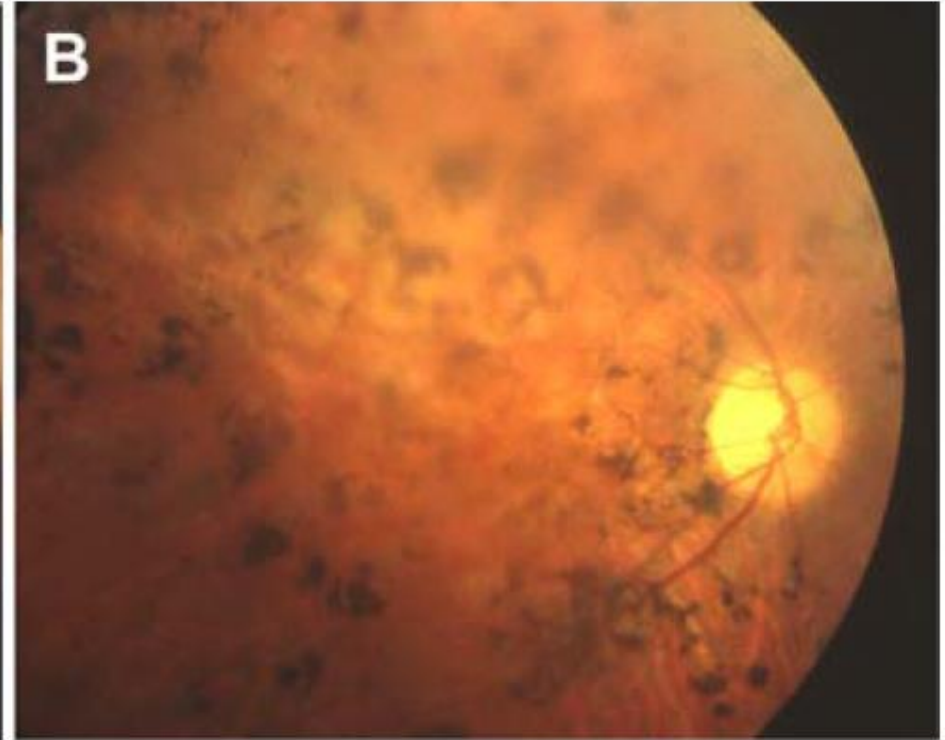
**LESS SEVERE  
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ADPKD

## TWO-HIT HYPOTHESIS



# Ciliary disease and the retina: transport defect



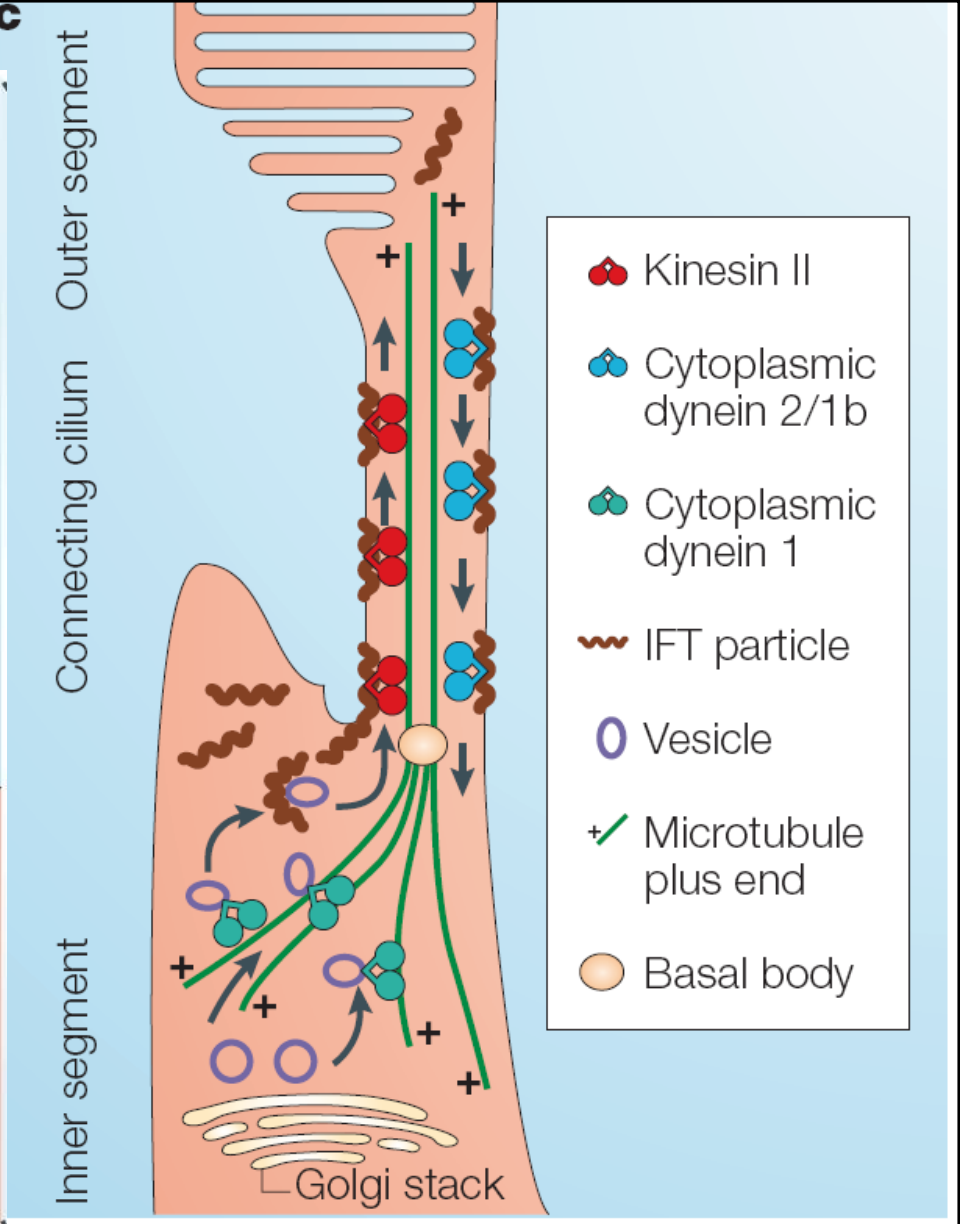
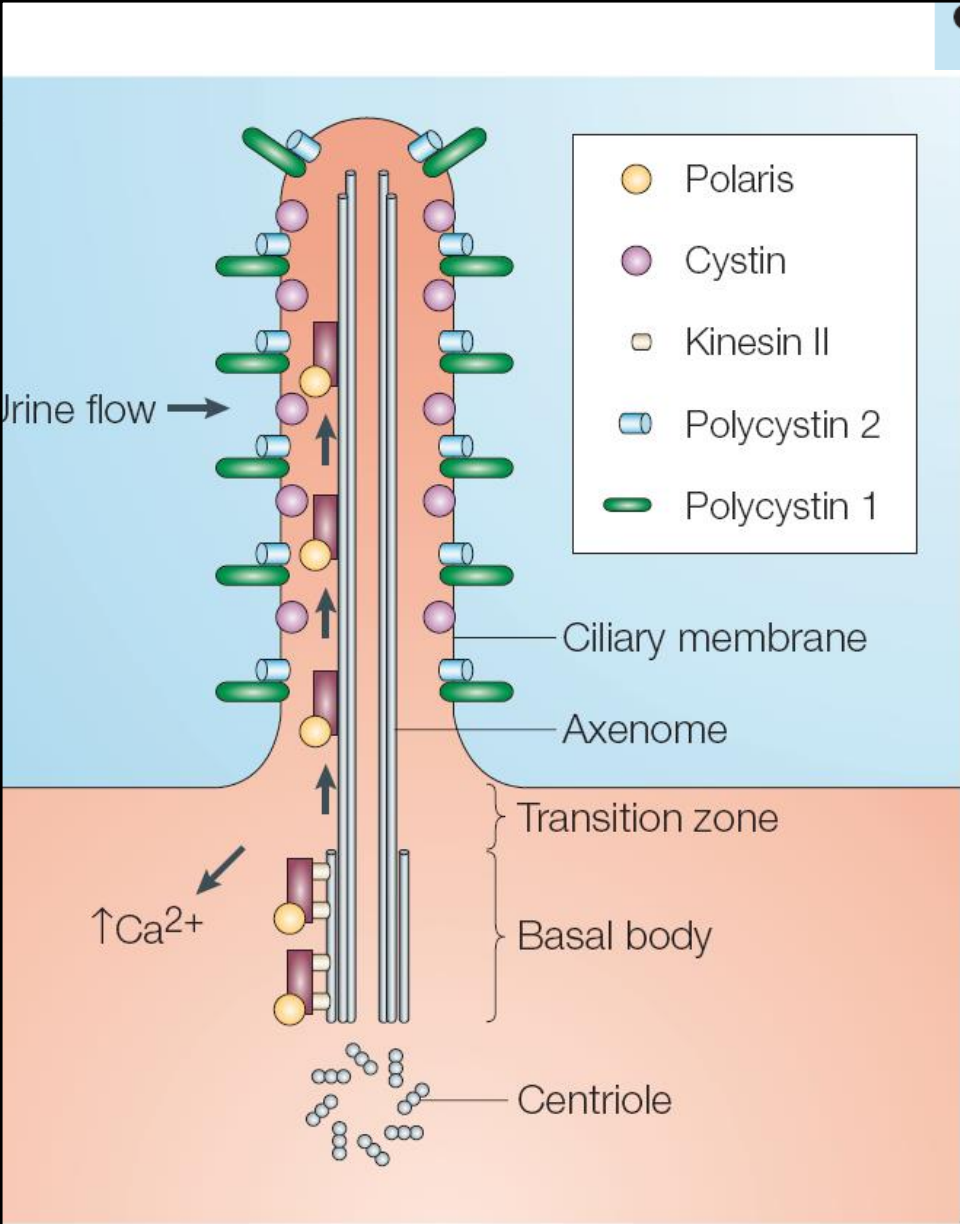
## Nephronophthisis

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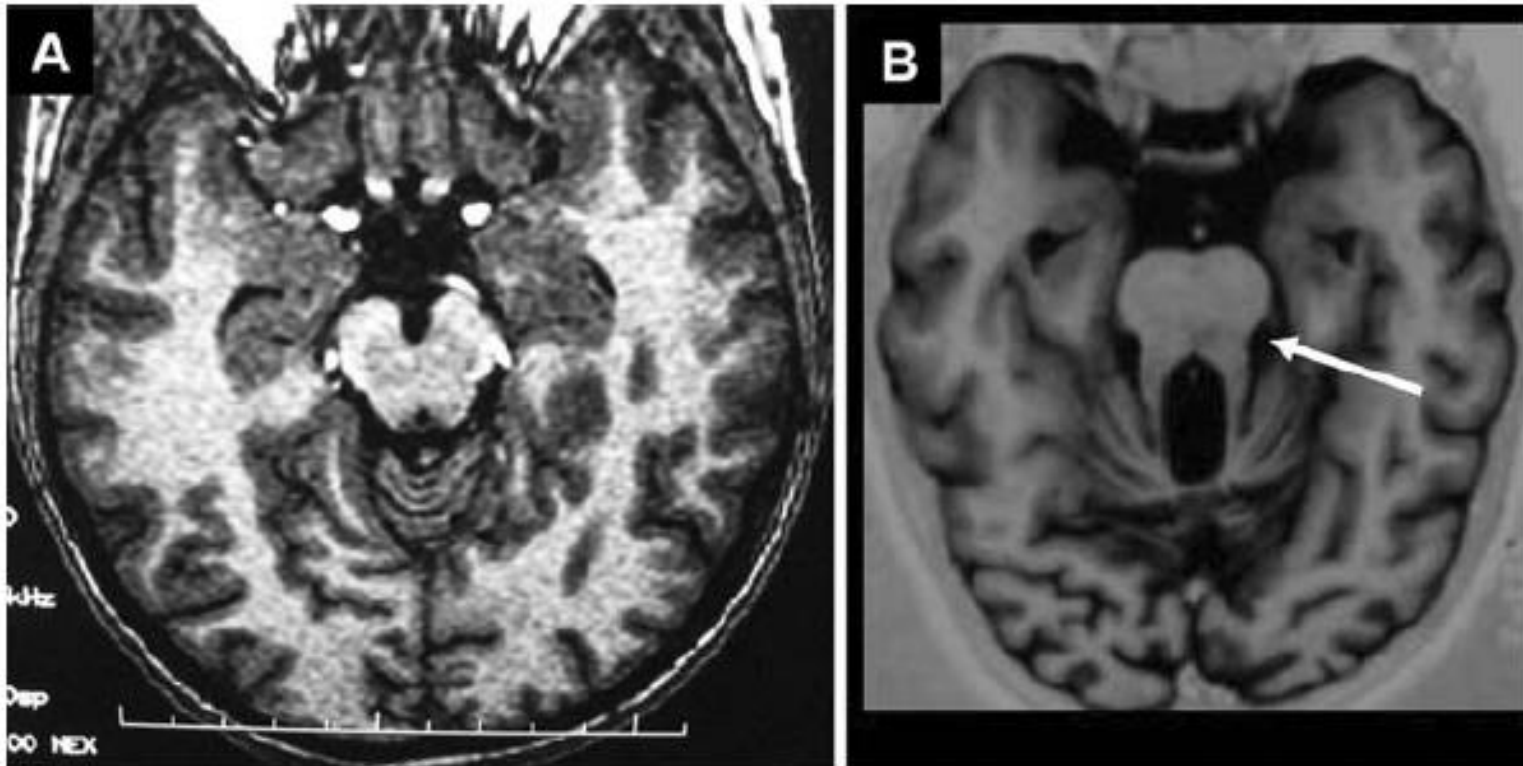
Pediatr Nephrol (2009) 24:2333–2344

Ophthalmoscopic examinations of a control subject (a) and an affected individual (b) showing typical retinitis pigmentosa fundus characterized by very thin retinal vessels, retinal pigment epithelium atrophy, abnormal pigmentary migrations, and pallor of the optic disk

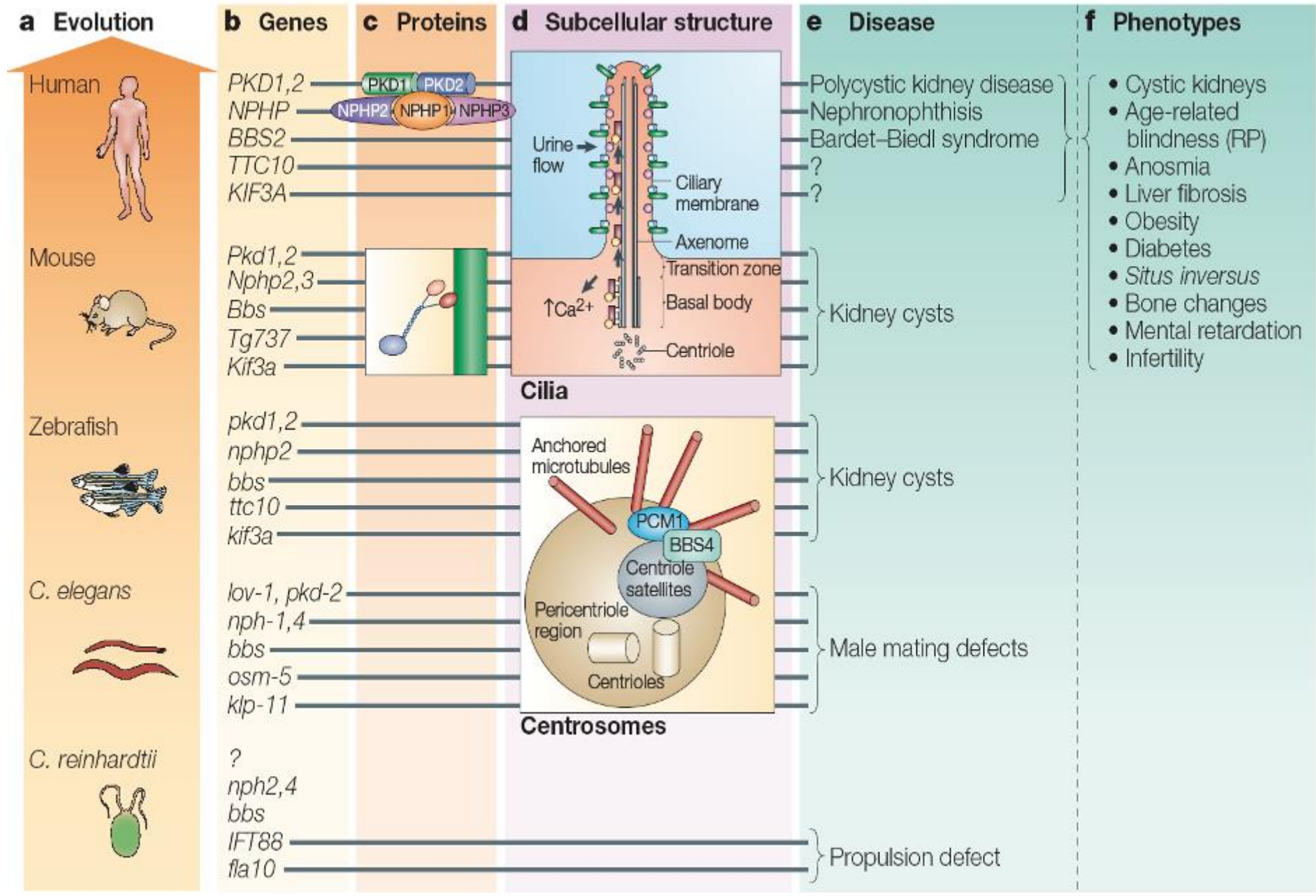
## Retinitis pigmentosa



# Ciliary disease and the central nervous system: defect of migration & orientation







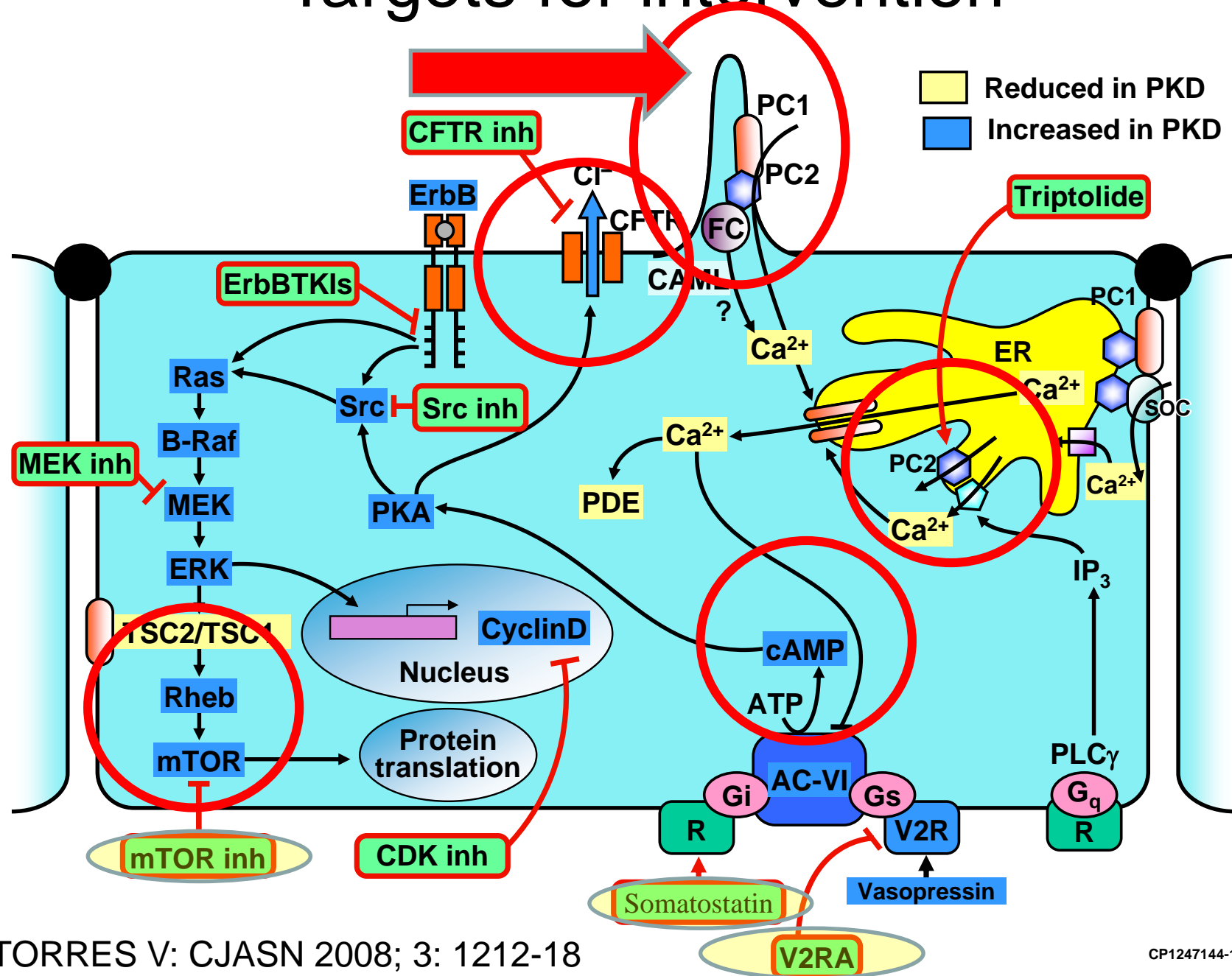
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# Therapeutic perspective

Signalling pathways

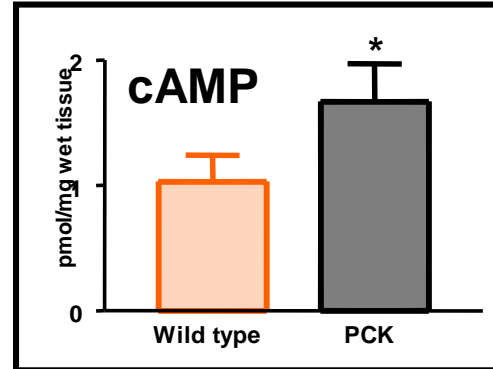
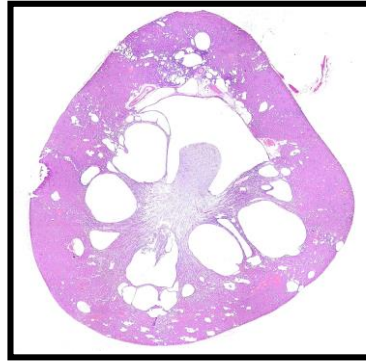
# Targets for intervention



# Human disease and animal homologues

## Model

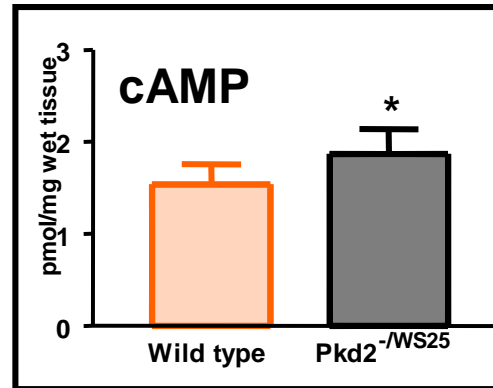
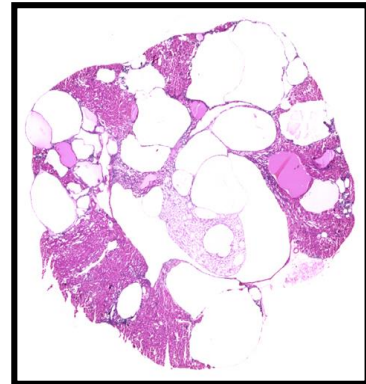
**PCK rat**



**Human**

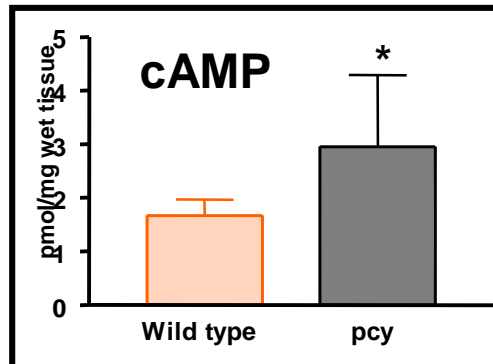
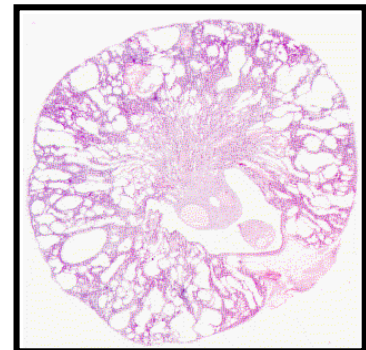
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**Pkd2<sup>WS25/-</sup>  
mouse**



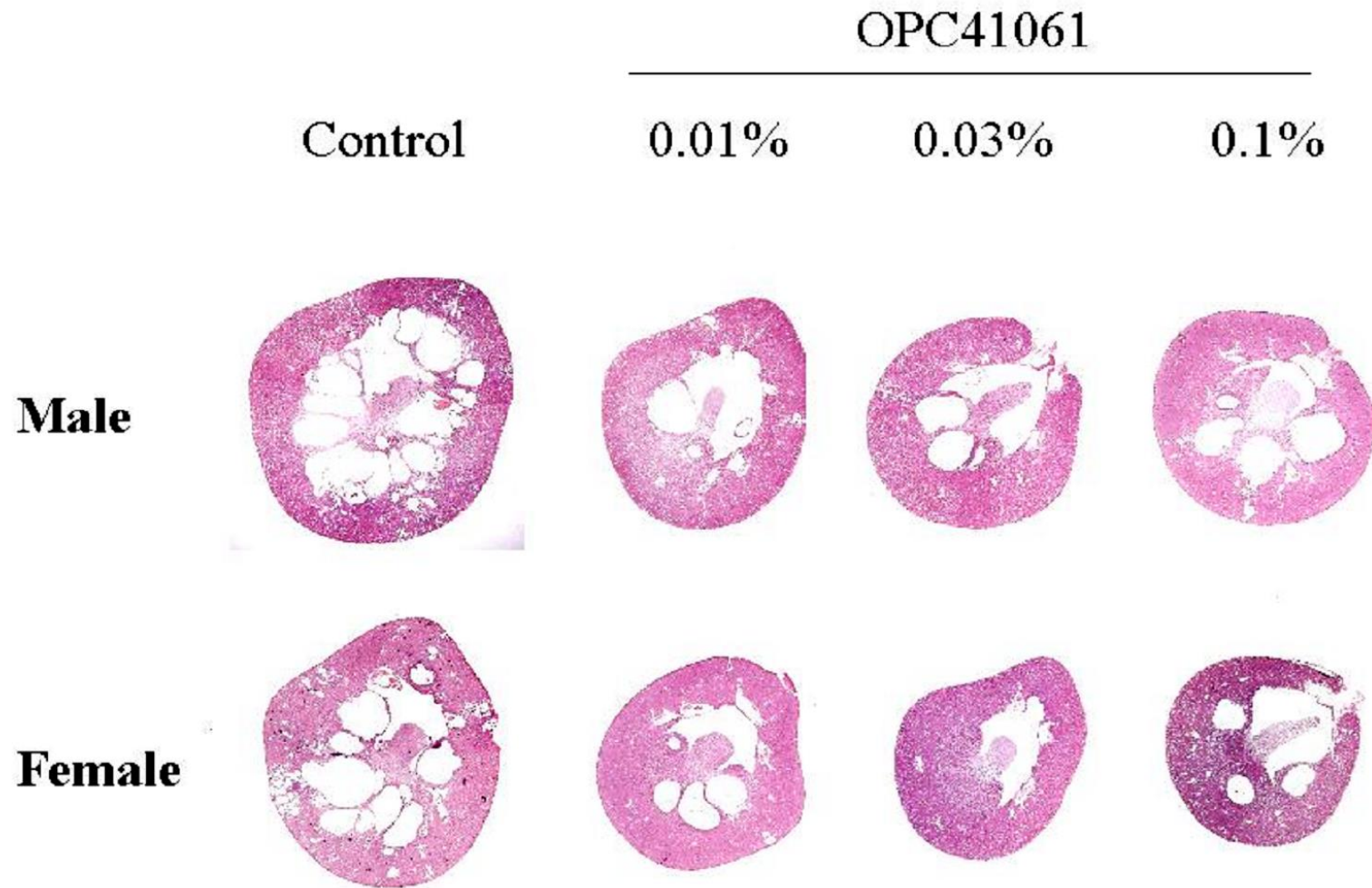
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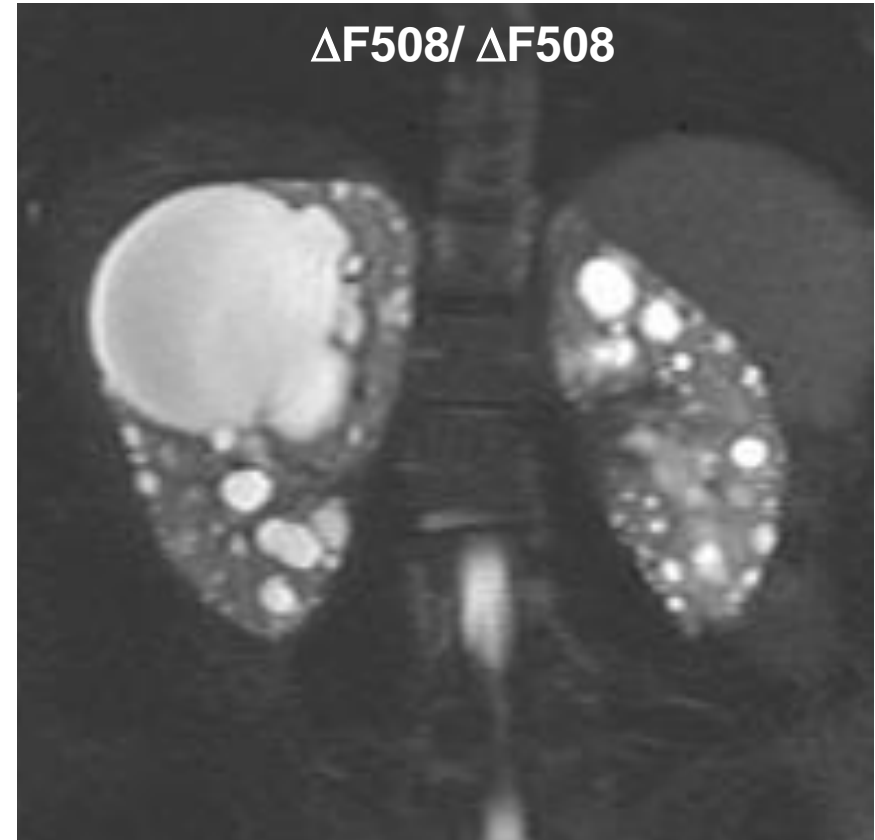
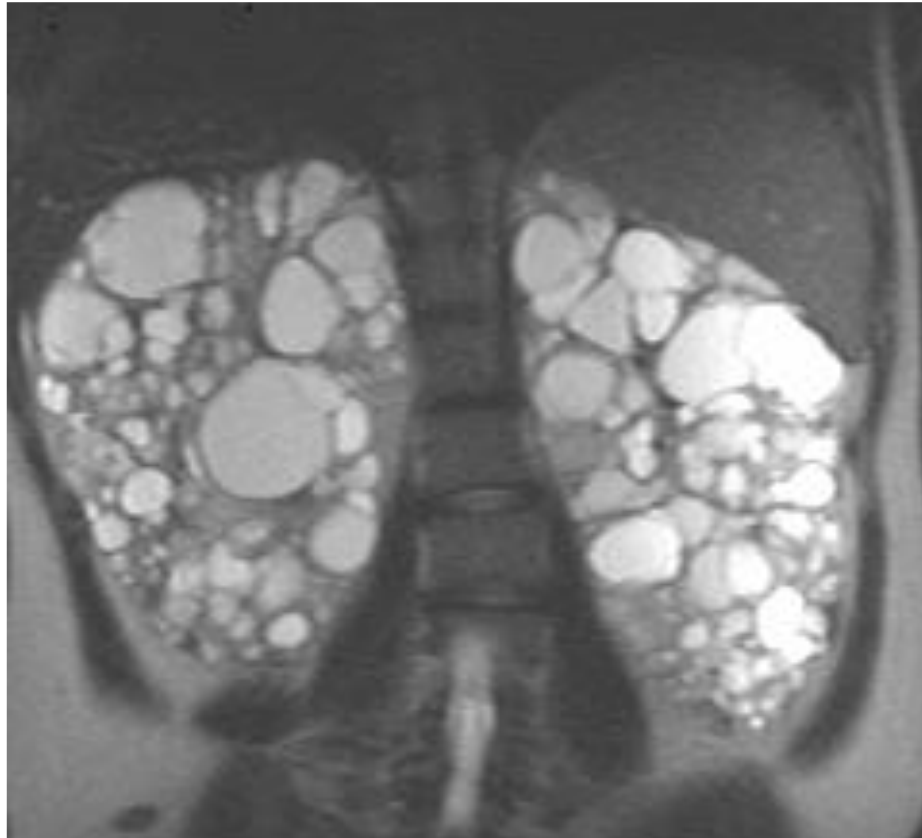


**NPHP3**

# Vasopressin antagonists



# CFTR INHIBITION: ADPKD COEXISTING WITH CYSTIC FIBROSIS MILDER PHENOTYPE



O'Sullivan. AJKD 32:976,1998

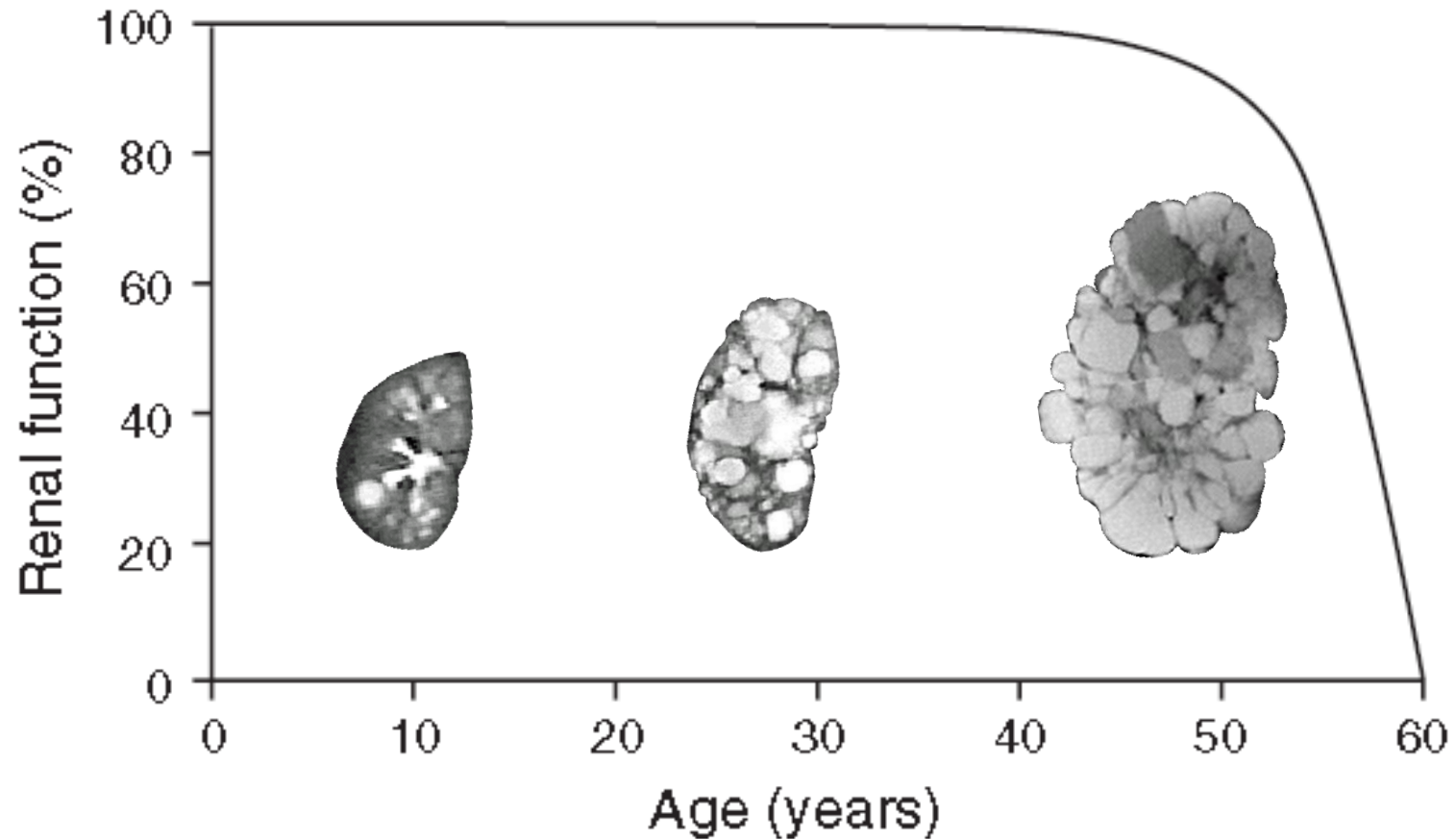
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# ADPKD: Clinical studies

- CRISP – morphology and function
- V2 receptor antagonists: tolvaptan
- Somatostatin analogues: octreotide, lanreotide
- mTOR inhibitors: sirolimus, everolimus
- ACEI & ACEI+ARB: lisinopril - telmisartan



# Renal survival curve in ADPKD



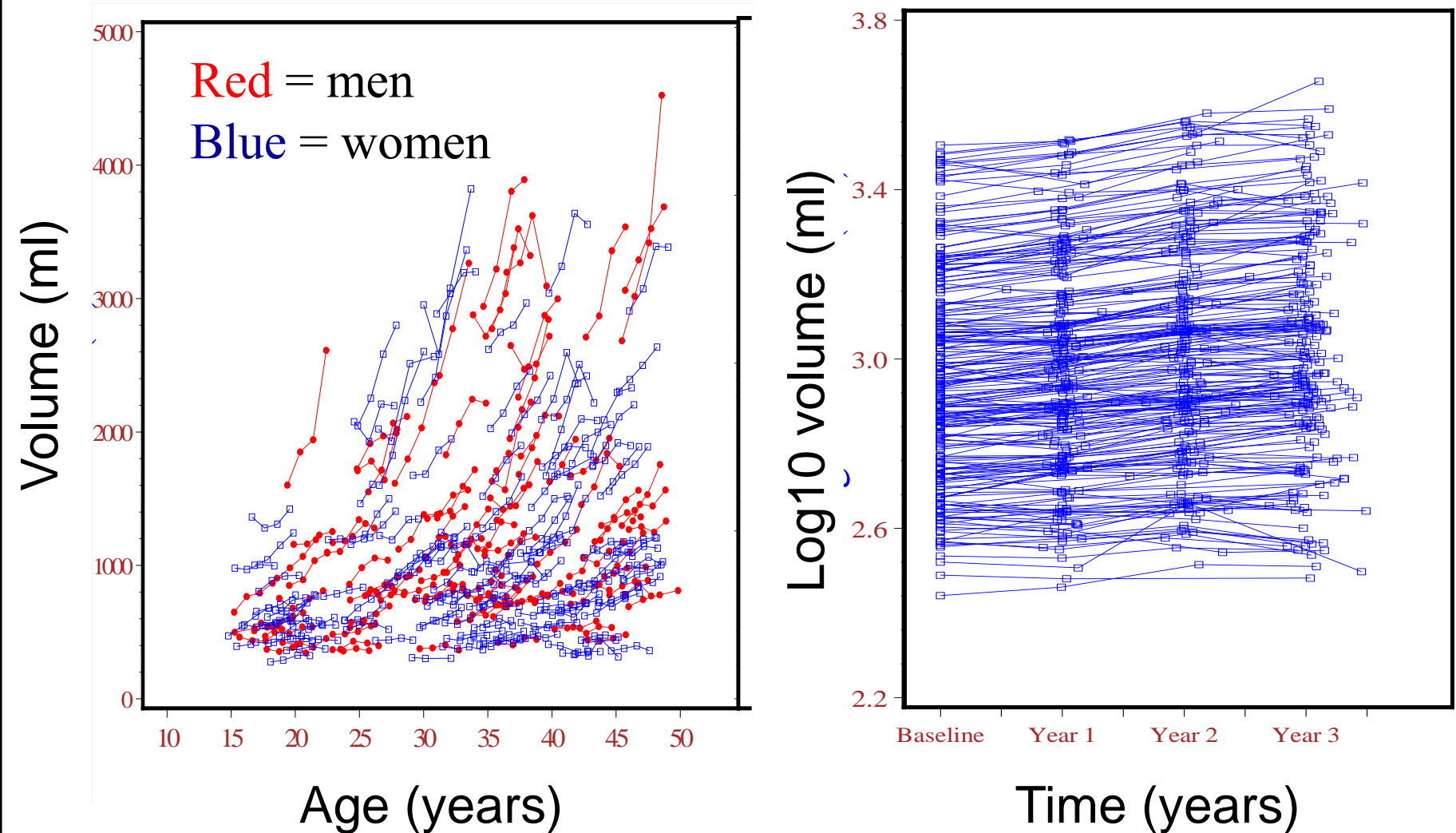
long duration of intact renal function before loss of renal function or entry into ESRD

# CRISP

Consortium for Radiological Imaging in Studies of  
Polycystic Kidney Disease

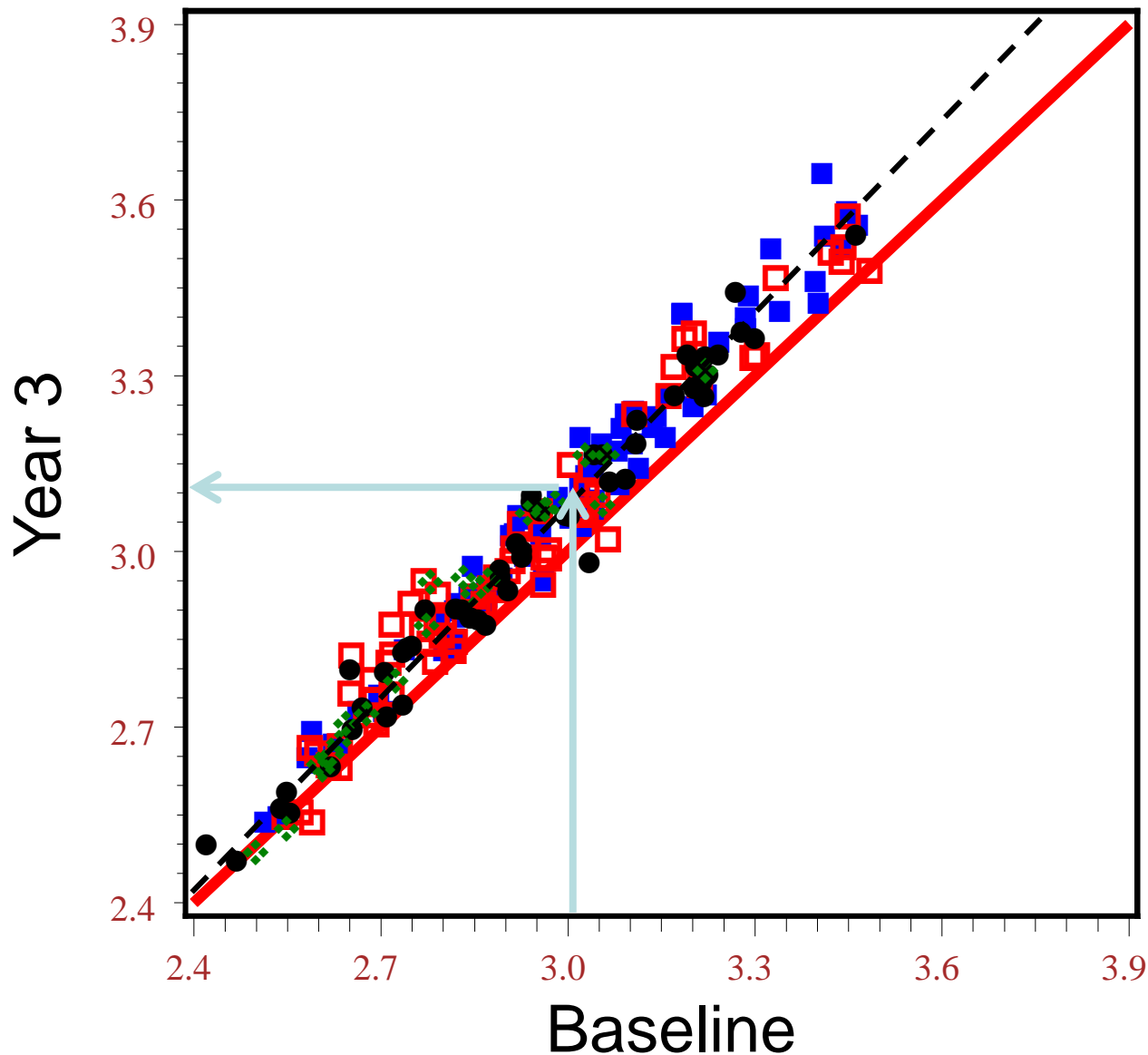
- Need for a more sensitive tool than GFR to assess progression of ADPKD
- CRISP
  - Whether kidney/cyst volume changes
    - can be detected over a short period of time
    - and are associated with loss of renal function
  - Prospective observational study
  - Patients with eGFR >70 ml/min

Kidney enlargement is detectable over a short period of time, it is continuous and relatively constant



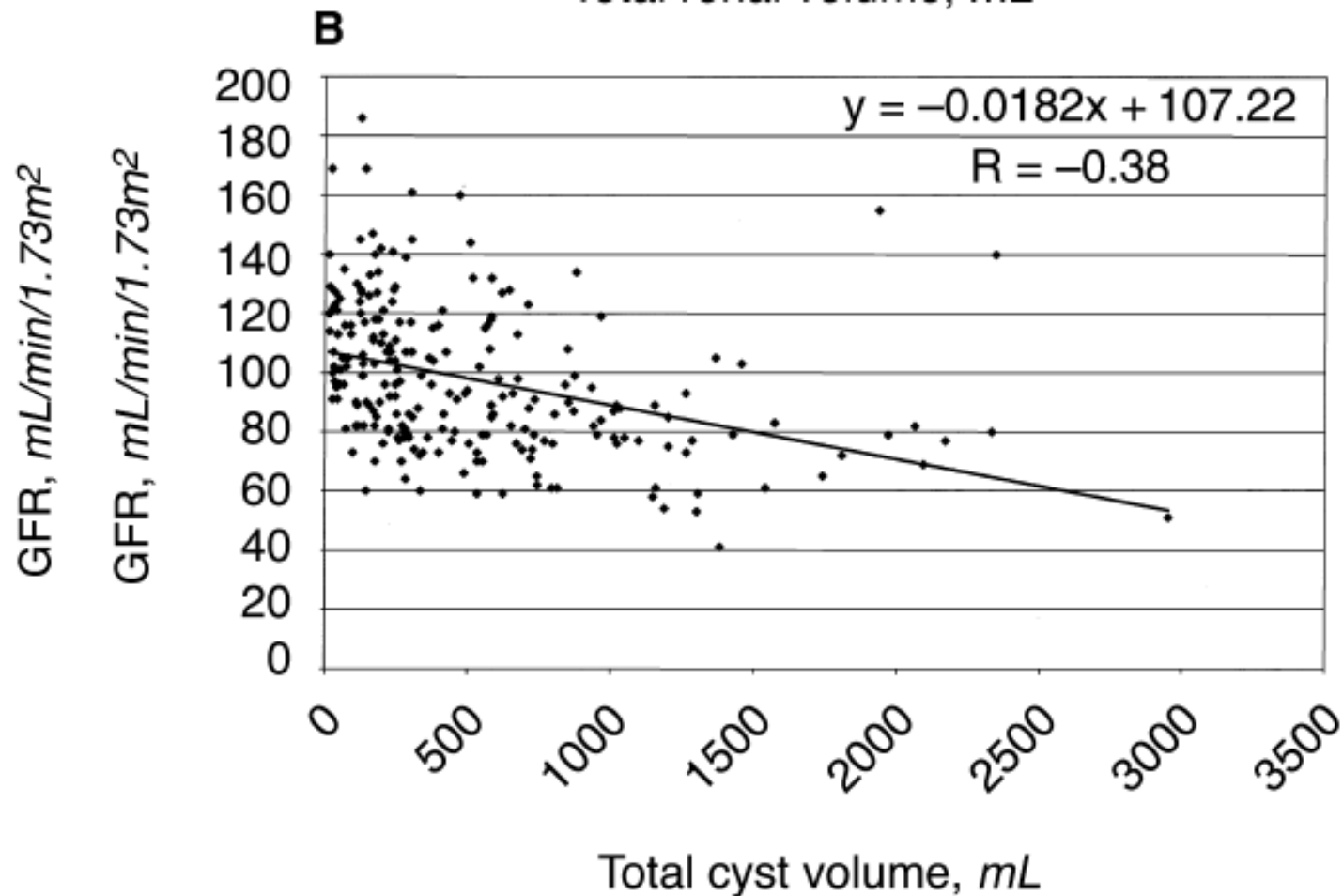
# Renal volume predicts rate of enlargement

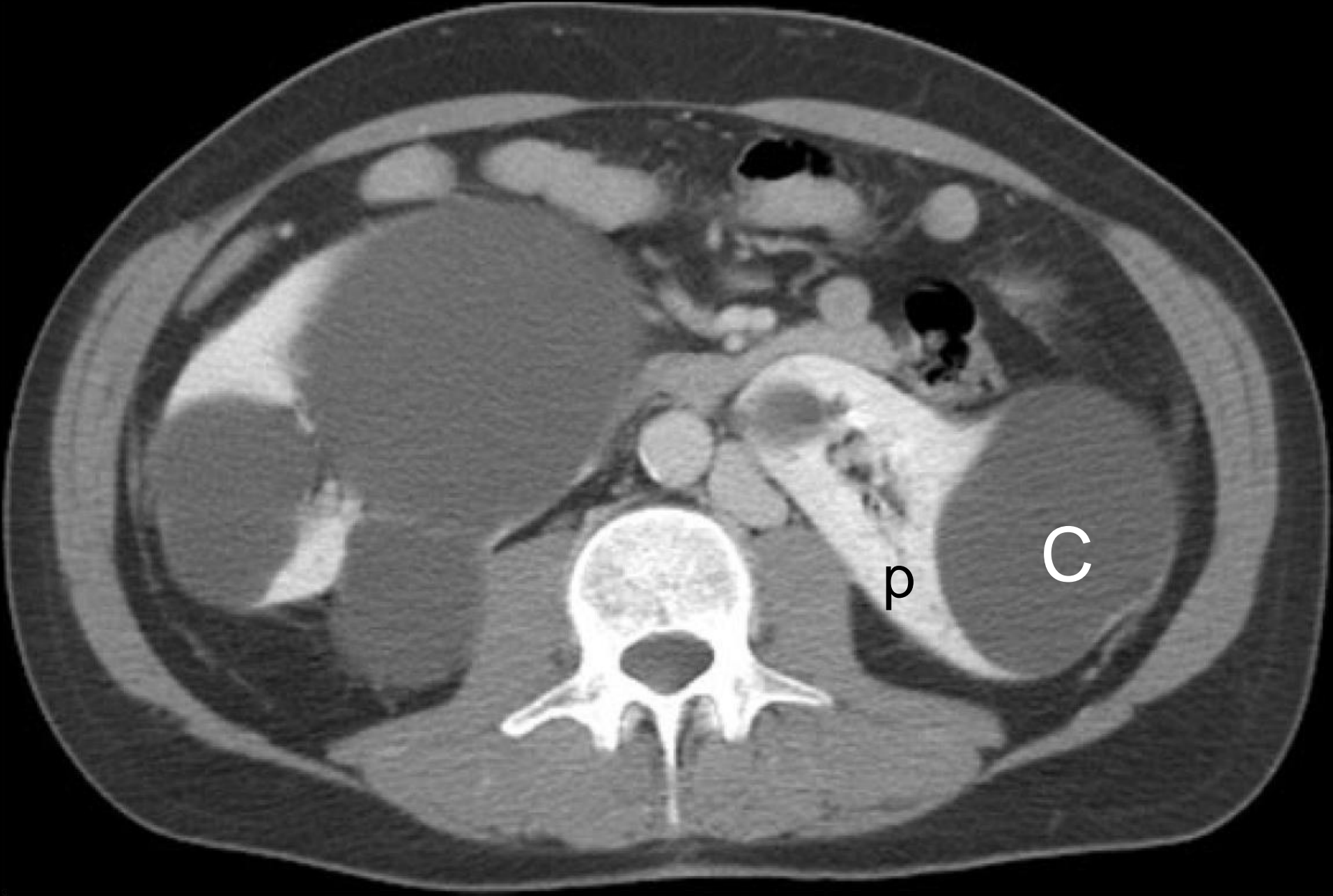
Log10 MR K Vol



**5.3 %**  
average  
yearly  
increase in  
renal size

# Relationship between GFR and age adjusted renal volumes

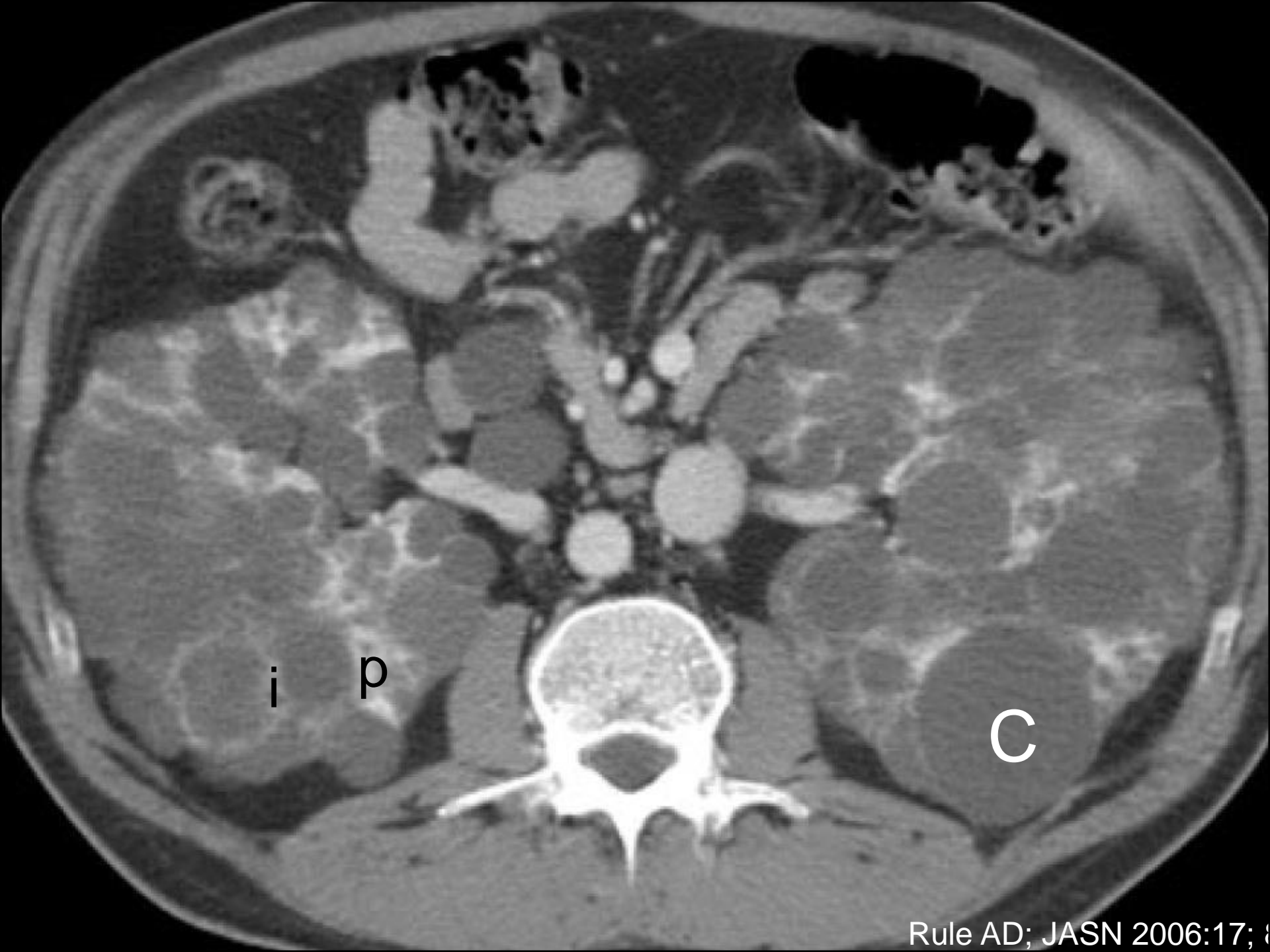




C=cyst P=parenchyma

CT

Rule AD; JASN 2006:17; 854-862




# CRISP Conclusions

Kidney enlargement is

- Detectable over a short period of time
- A strong predictor of functional progression
- A surrogate endpoint “reasonably likely” to predict clinical benefit in clinical trials



# CRISP conclusions

- Height adjusted total kidney volume (htTKV) at baseline  $>600 \text{ cm}^3$  
  - 75% risk of developing CKD  $>III$  within 8 years
  - Every  $100 \text{ cm}^3$  increment of baseline htTKV = OR 1.48x of reaching CKD $>III$
- Decline in function delayed
  - GFR: unchanged in the first 3 years
  - Decline by 10.6% and 22.3% by years 6 and 8

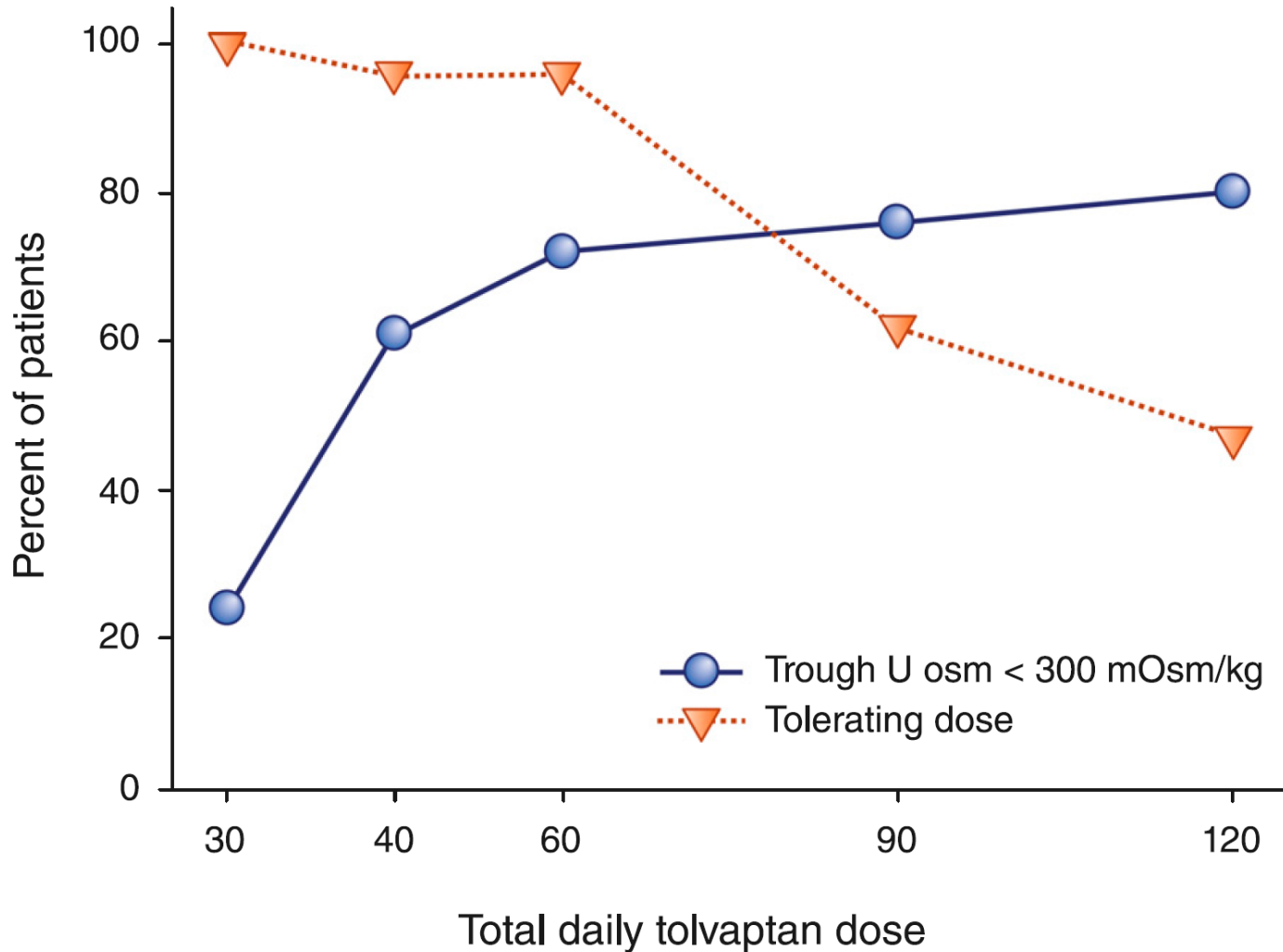
# Interventional studies

V2 receptor antagonist

# TEMPO

(Tolvaptan Efficacy and Safety in Management of PKD and Outcomes)

## Tolerability and efficacy

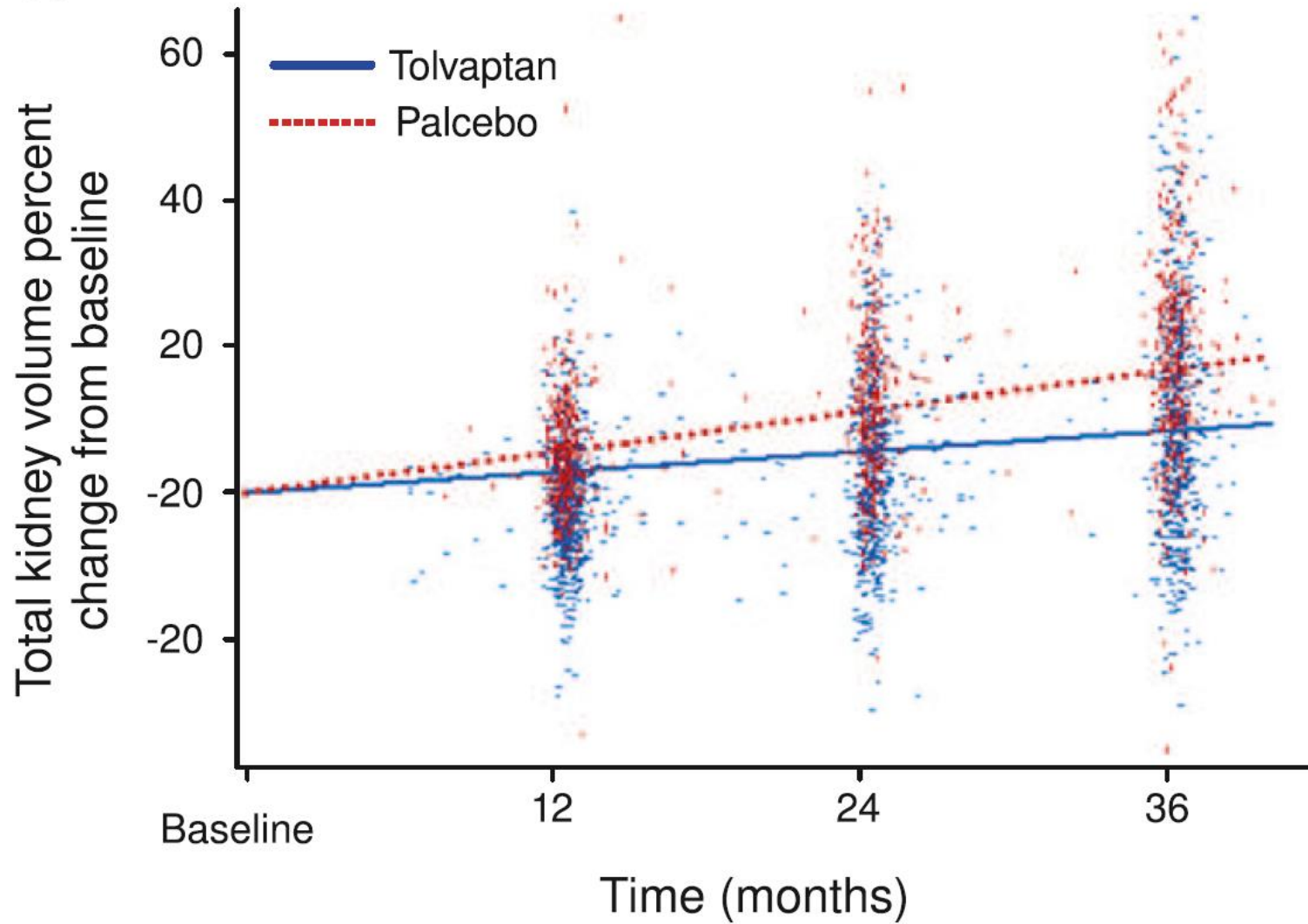


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Torres VW, Harris PC: . J Am Soc Nephrol 25: 18–32, 2014

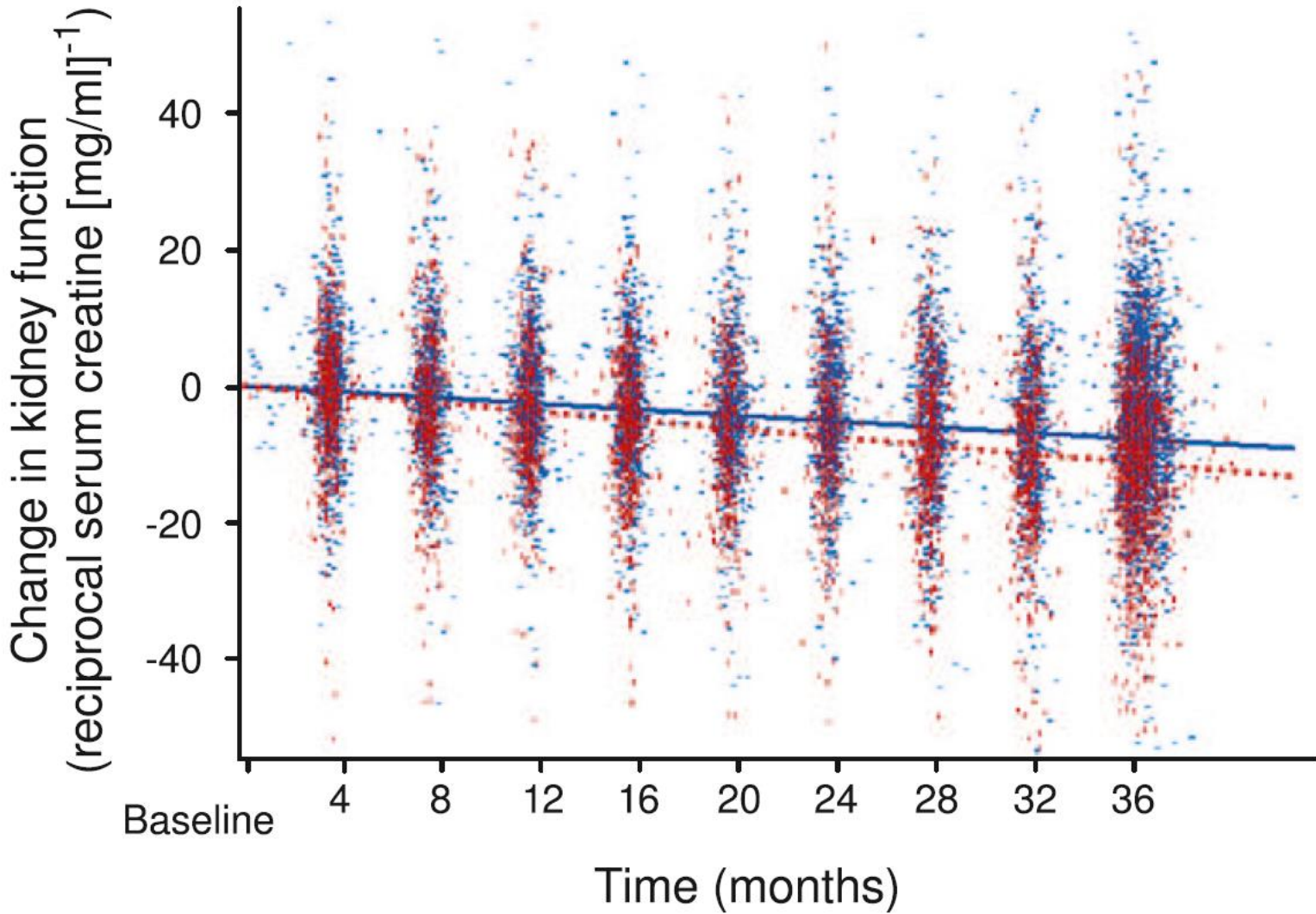
# Effect of tolvaptan on kidney volume

**A**



# Effect of Tolvaptan on kidney function

**c**



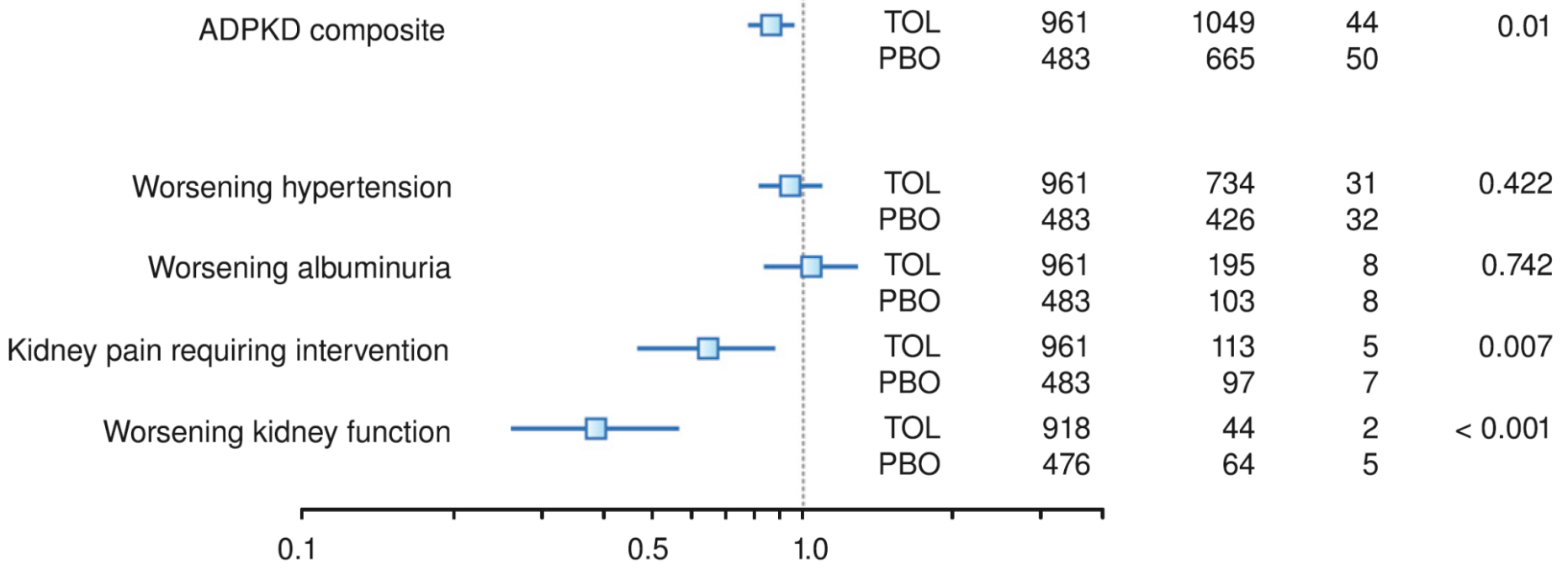
# Effect of Tolvaptan in ADPKD

Events/100

Treatment number of total follow-up

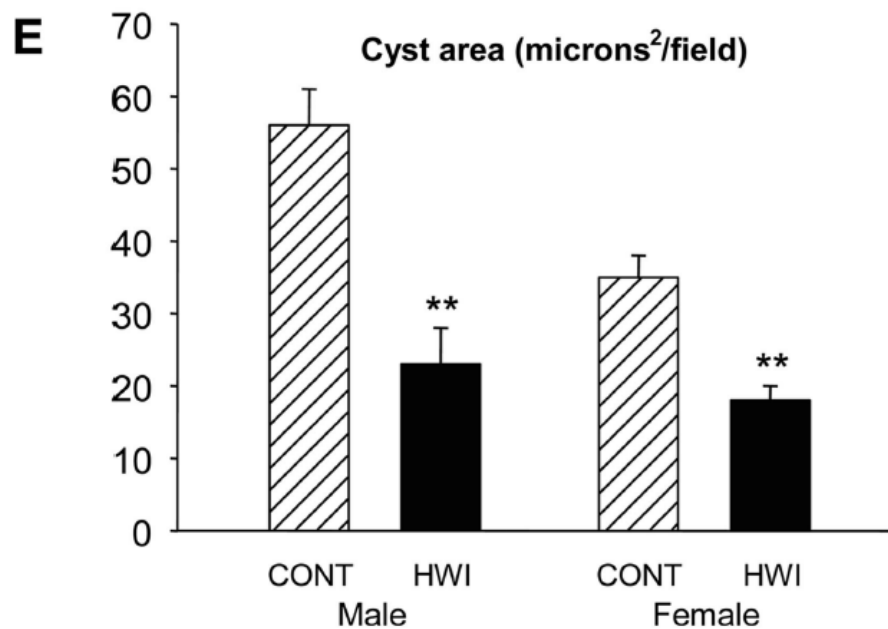
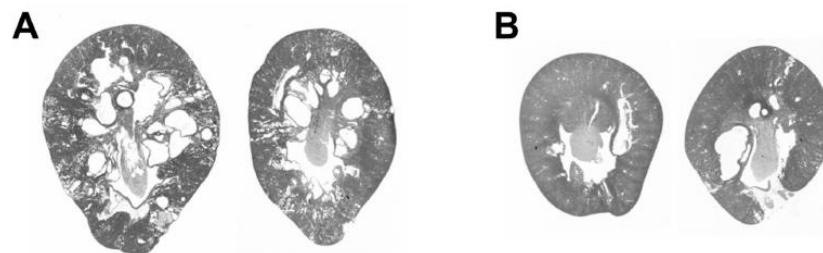
Endpoint/  
endpoint component

Group    Subjects    Events    Years    P-value



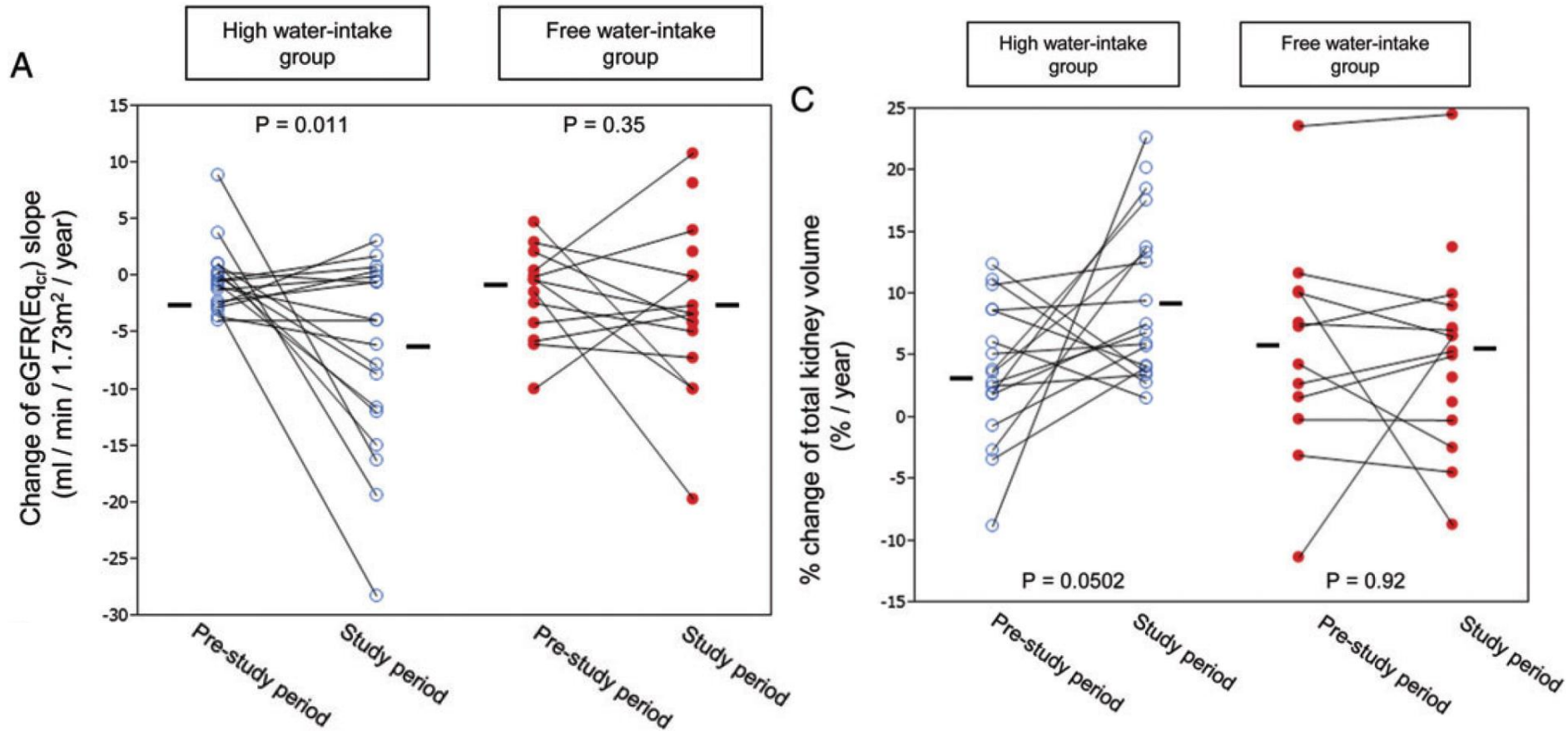
Hazard ratio for event(s) (95% confidence intervals)

# Increased Water Intake Decreases Progression of PKD the Rat



# Does increased water intake prevent disease progression in autosomal dominant polycystic kidney disease?

Eiji Higashihara<sup>1,2</sup>, Kikuo Nutahara<sup>2</sup>, Mitsuhiro Tanbo<sup>2</sup>, Hidehiko Hara<sup>2</sup>, Isao Miyazaki<sup>3</sup>, Kuninori Kobayashi<sup>4</sup> and Toshiaki Nitatori<sup>3</sup>



high water intake enhanced disease progression



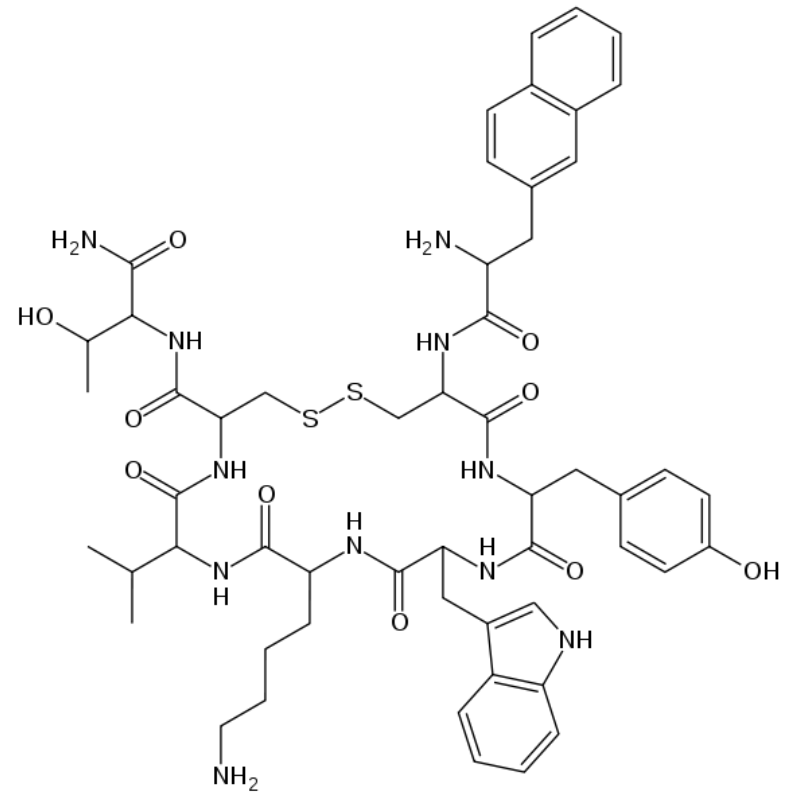
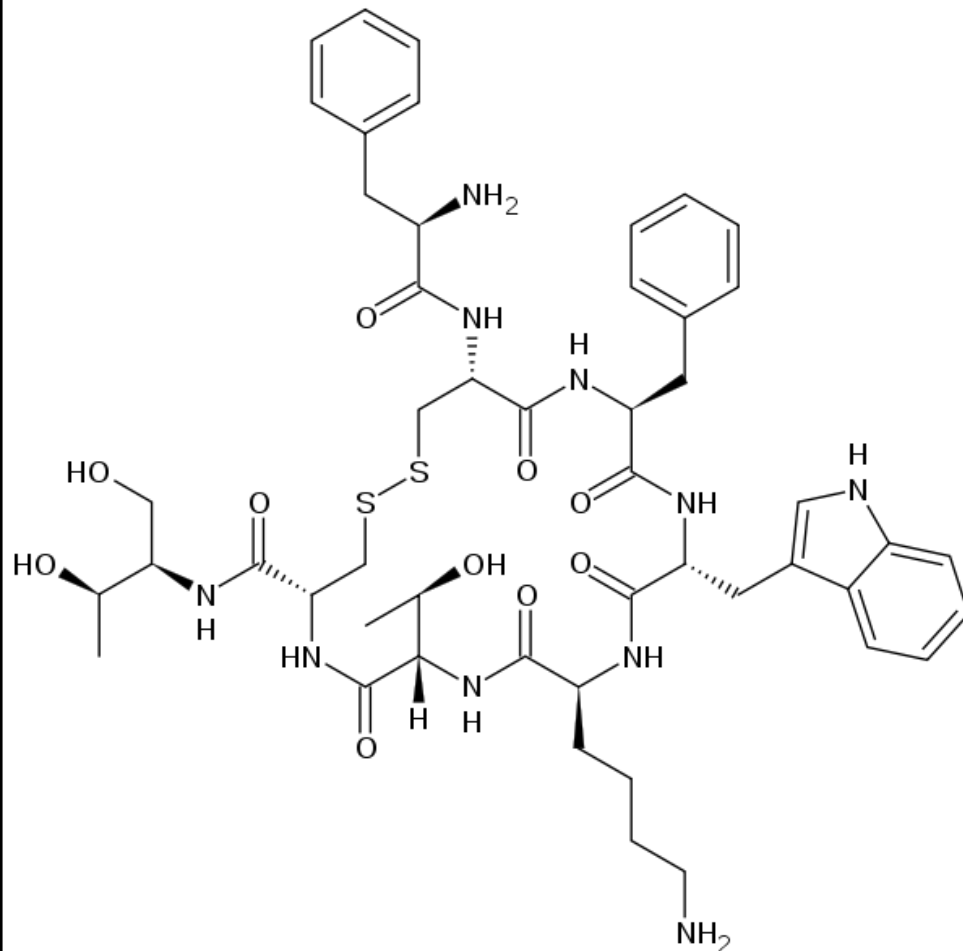
# Interventional studies

Somatostatin analogues

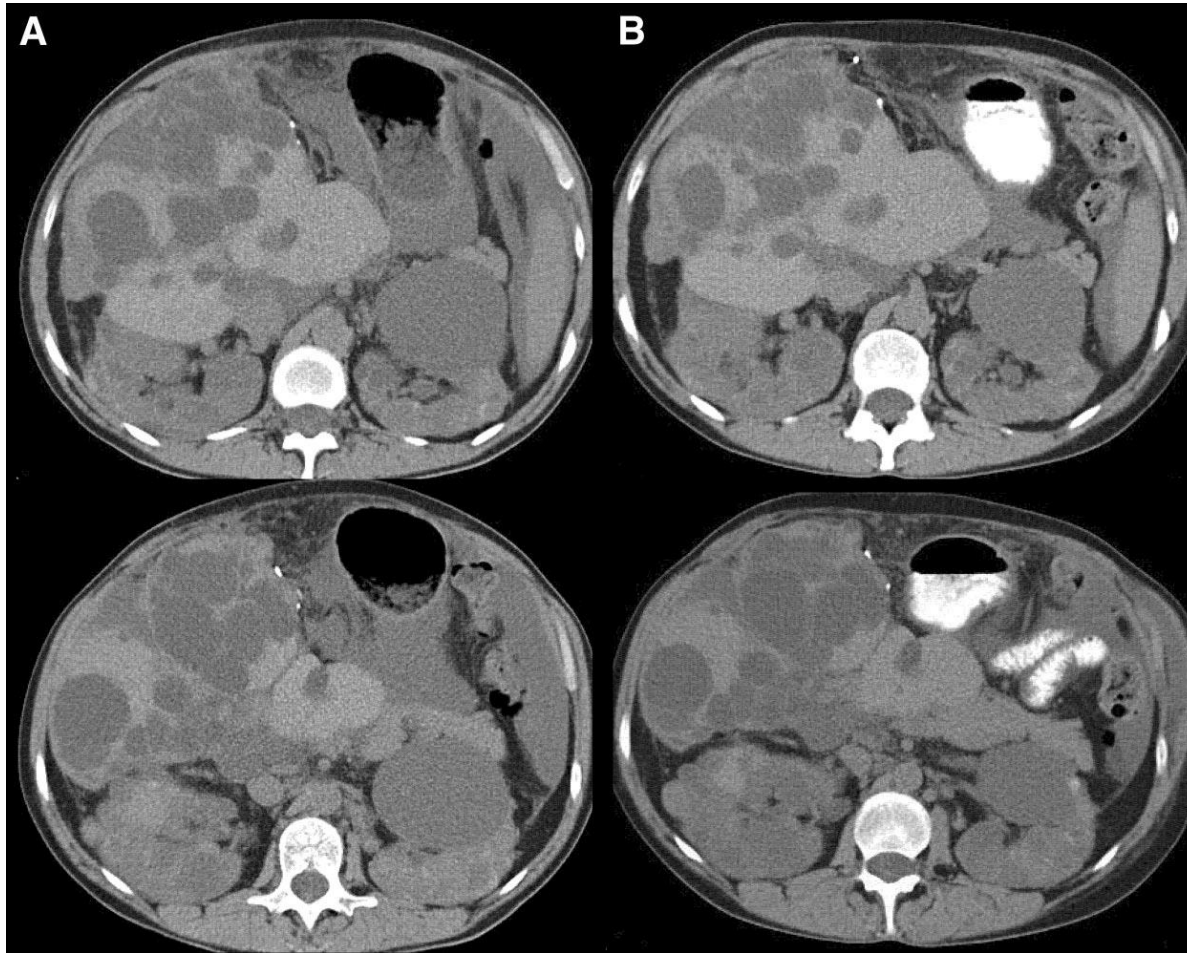
# Somatostatin analogues

Octreotide (Sandostatin)

Lanreotide (Somatuline LA and Depot)



# Administration of octreotide LAR to a patient with severe PLD



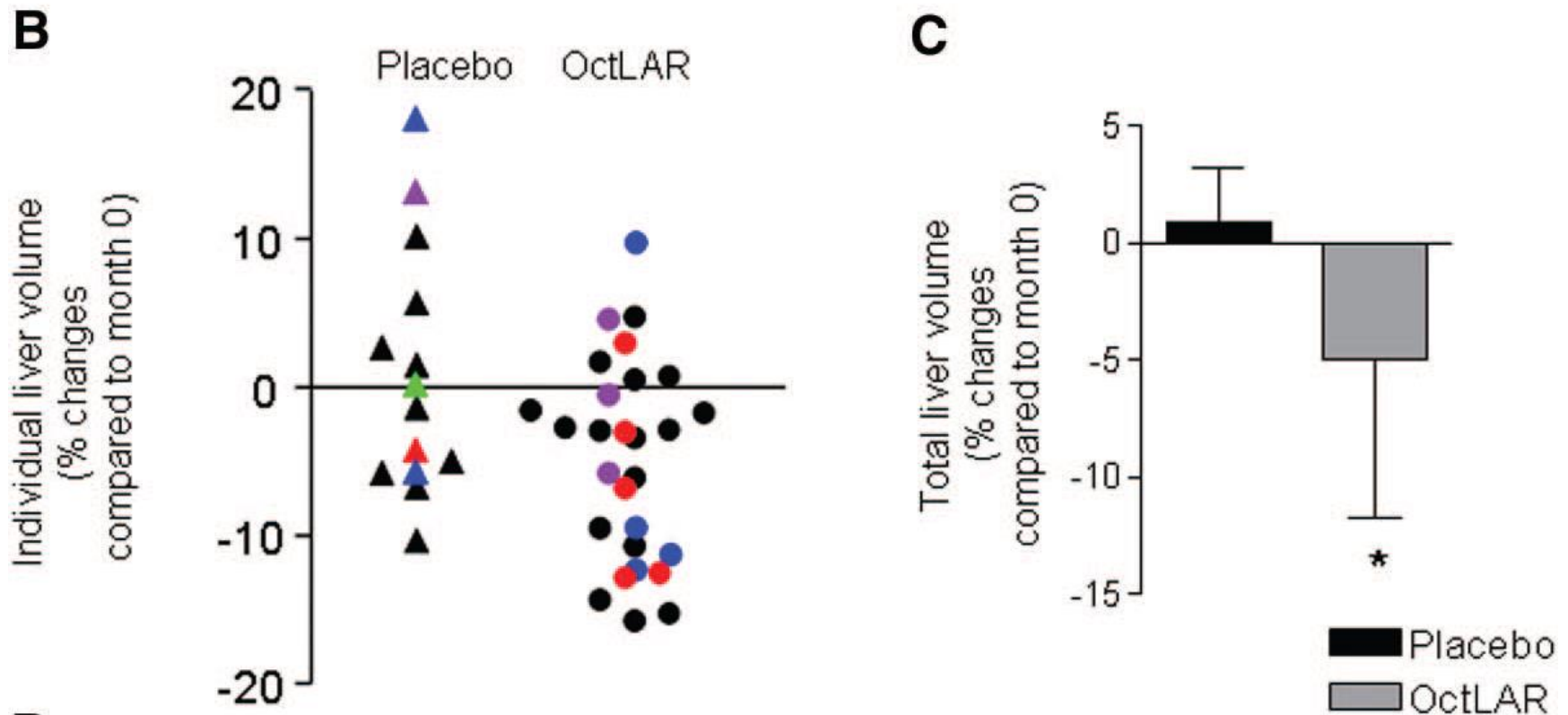
Administration of octreotide LAR to a patient with severe PLD Total liver volume decreased by 18% , total kidney volume decreased by 12%.

J Am Soc Nephrol 21: 1052–1061, 2010.

# Randomized Clinical Trial of Long-Acting Somatostatin for Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney and Liver Disease

LAR 40 mg IM every 4 weeks for 2 years

**LIVER**



N=42  
Liver volume >4000 mL

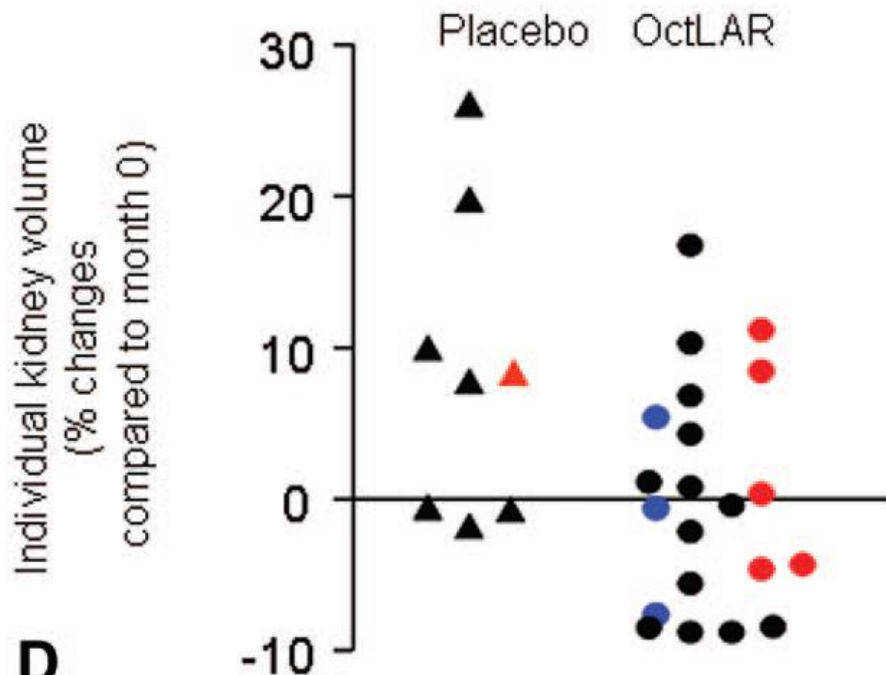
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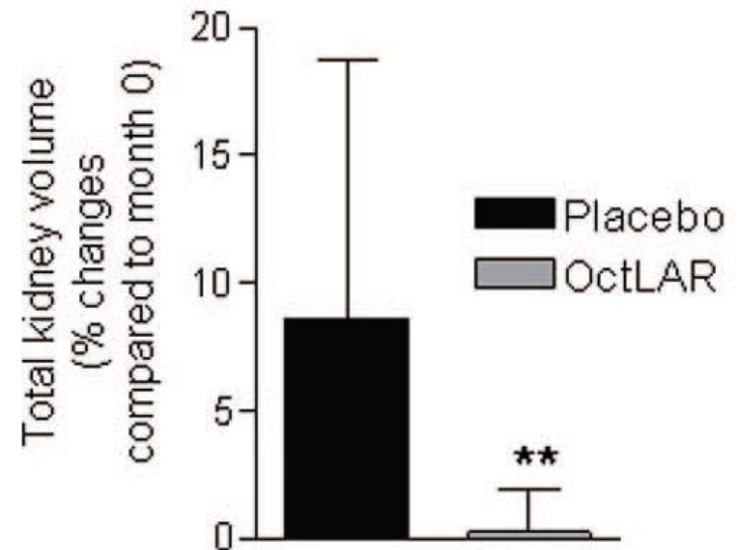
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## KIDNEY

**B**



**C**



**D**

N=42  
Liver volume >4000 mL

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# Most important trials involving somatostatin analogues

Study	Study drug	Patients (n)	Treatment duration (months)	Treatment regimen	Change in baseline volume in treatment group (5)	Change in baseline volumen in placebo group (%)
Van Keimpema et al (5*)	Lanreotide	54	6	120 mg monthly	Liver: <b>-2.9</b> Kidney: <b>-1.5</b>	Liver: +1.6* Kidney: +3.4*
Hogan et al. (6**)	Octreotide	42	12	40 mg monthly	Liver: <b>-5.0</b> Kidney: <b>+0.3</b>	Liver: +0.9* Kidney: +8.6*
Caroli et al. (7**)	Octreotide	12	6	40 mg monthly	Liver: <b>-4.5</b> Kidney: <b>+2.2</b>	Liver: +0.9* Kidney: +5.9 *

# Interventional studies

mTOR inhibitors

Sirolimus

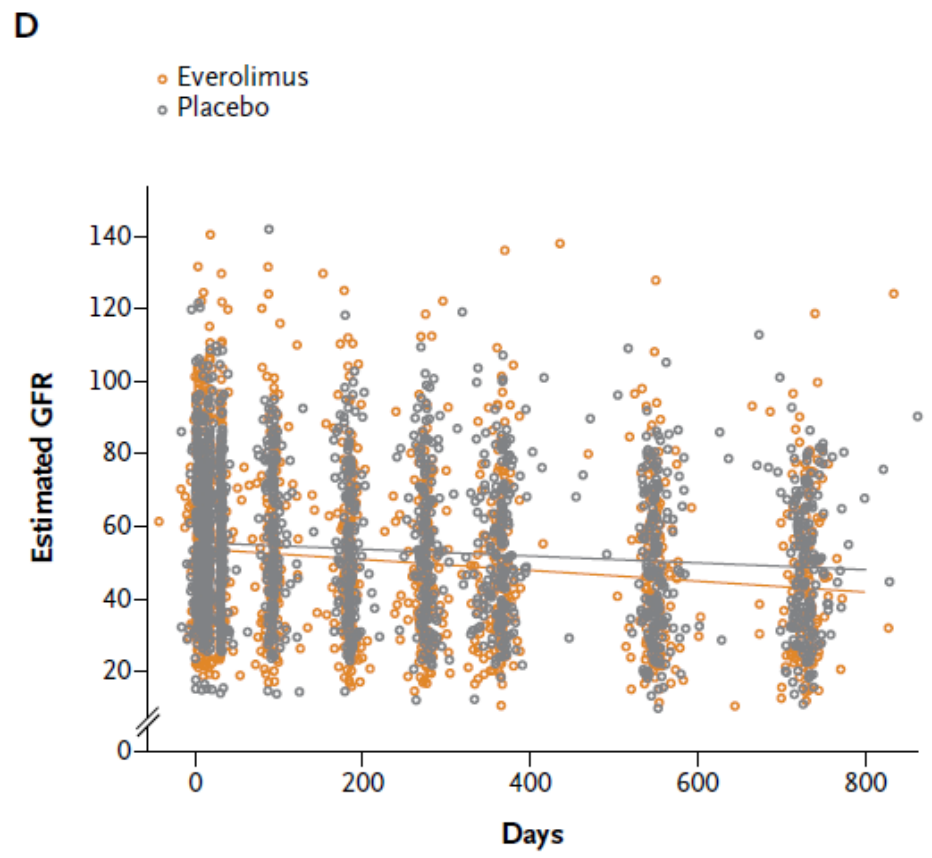
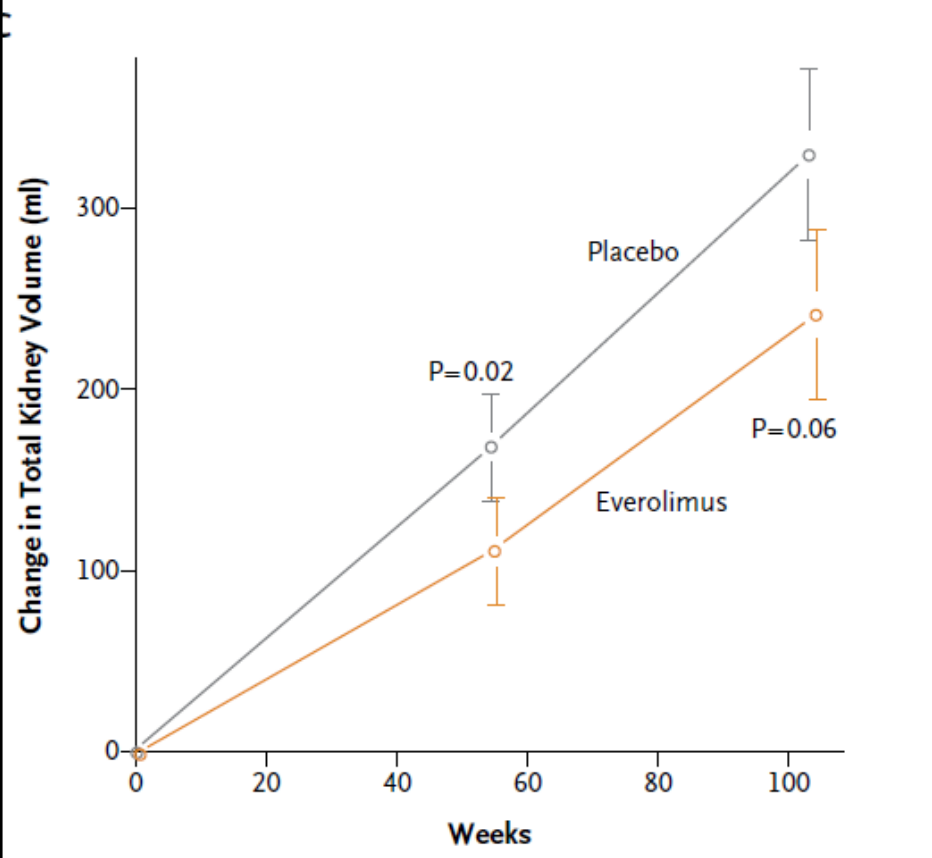
Everolimus

# Most important trials involving mTOR inhibitors

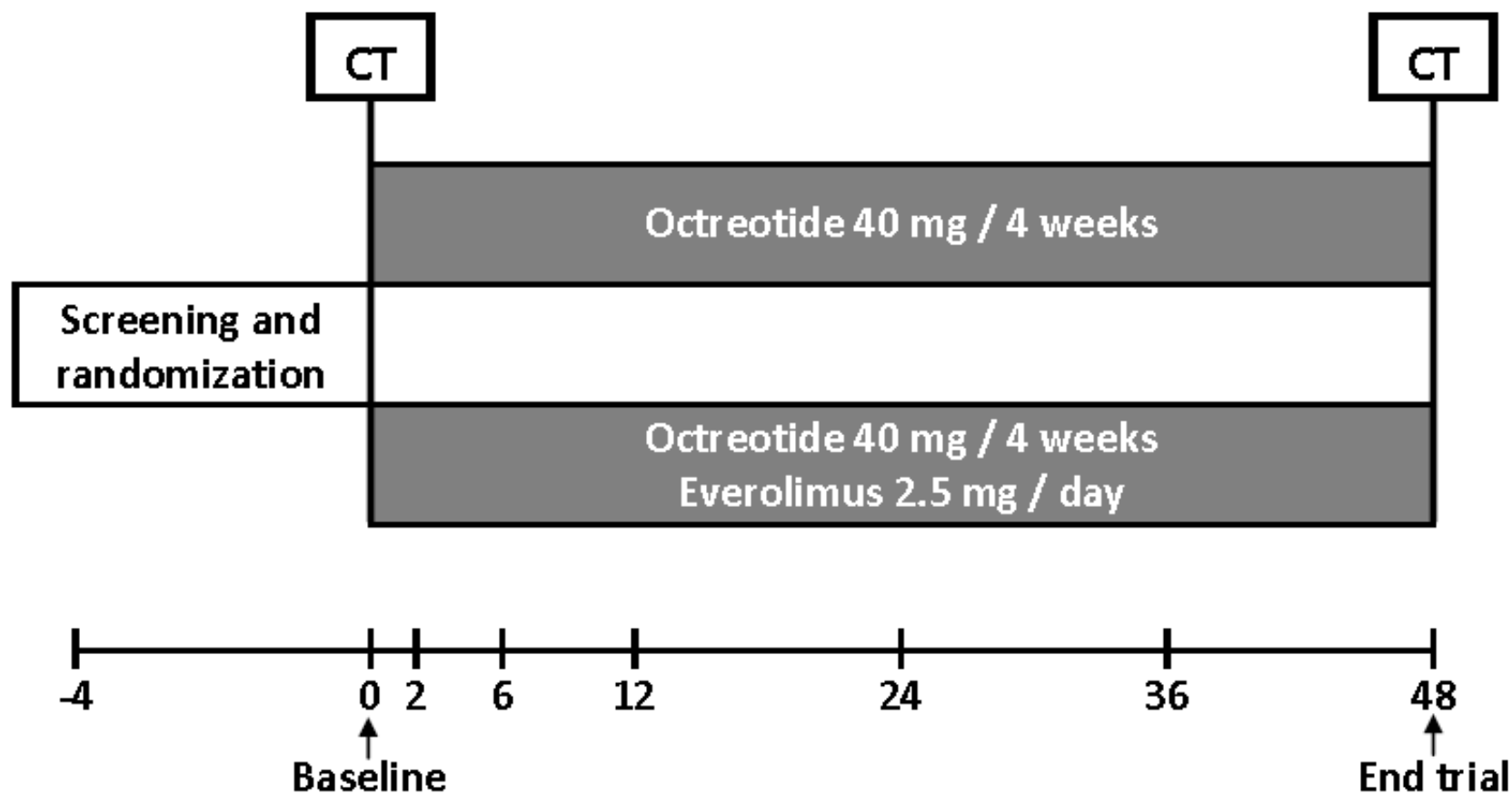
Study	Study drug	Patients (n)	Treatment duration (months)	Treatment regimen	Change in baseline volume in treatment group (5)	Change in baseline volume in placebo group (%)
Perico et al. (23*)	Sirolimus	15	6	3 mg daily	Kidney: +2.2	Kidney: +3.7
Serra et al. (24**)	Sirolimus	100	18	2 mg daily	Kidney: +10.9	Kidney: +9.7
Walz et al. (25**)	Everolimus	433	24	5 mg daily	Kidney: +11.3	Kidney: +15.8 *



# Everolimus in Patients with Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease



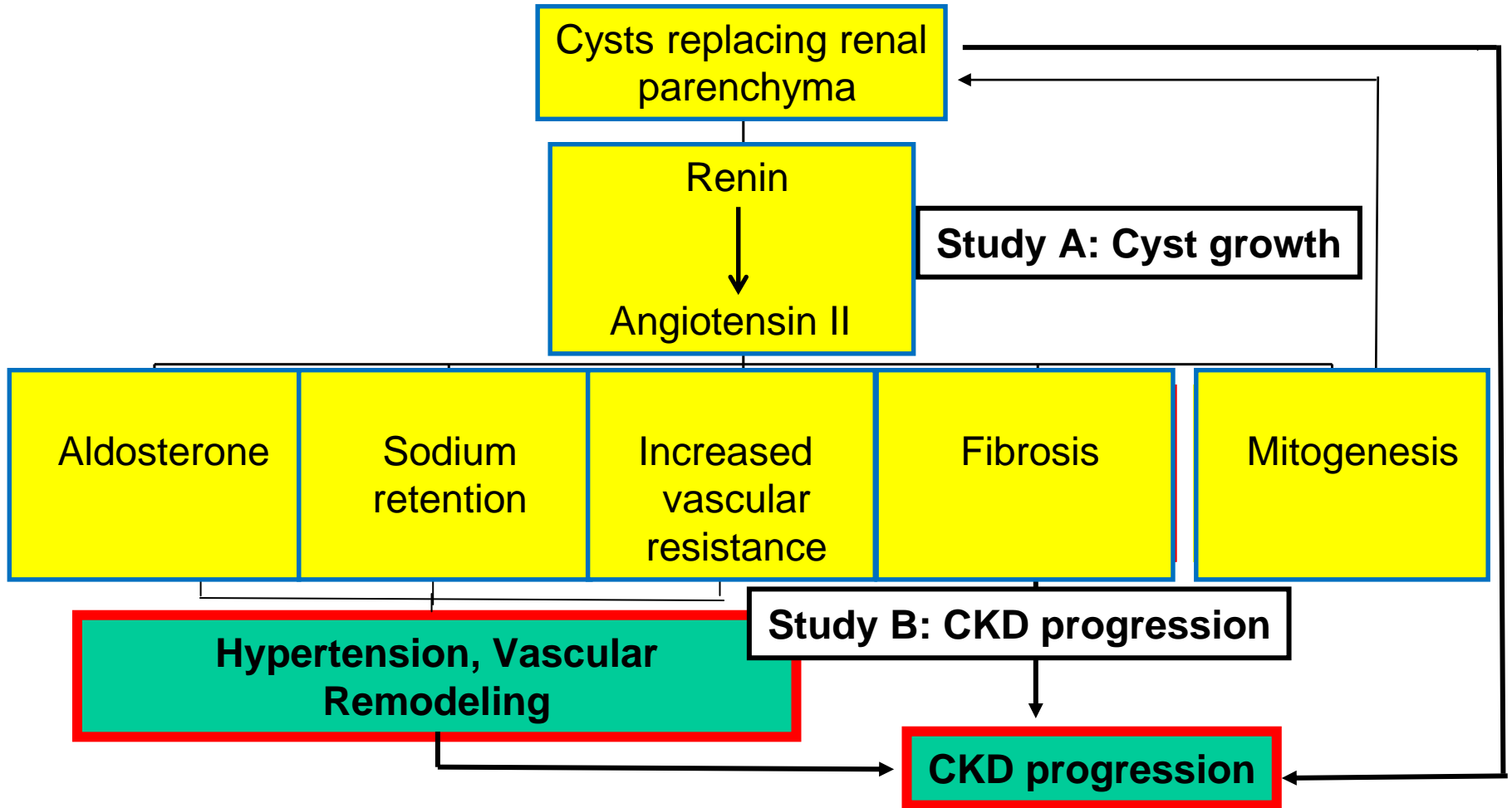
# Everolimus and long acting octreotide as a volume reducing treatment of polycystic livers (ELATE): study protocol for a randomized controlled trial



# Interventional studies

ACEI - ARB

# RATIONALE for HALT-PKD:



# HALT-PKD Goals

Determine the effects on progression of:

1) ACEI + ARB > ACEI alone (Studies A and B)

2) Low > standard BP target (Study A)

**A: n=558    B: n=486**

<b>Primary outcome</b>
<b>Change in Renal Volume by MRI</b>
<b>Doubling Serum Creatinine/ ESRD/Death</b>
<b>Secondary Outcomes</b>
<b>Changes in GFR, RBF, LV mass, albuminuria Hospitalizations, QOL</b>

# Conclusions

- Promising results of interventional studies
- Still to be answered:
  - When should we intervene?
  - Potential side effects of life-long treatment
    - Mutagenic, cancerogenic immunosuppressive
- Known complications
  - Hypertension, LVH, nephrolithiasis, bleeding, UTI, cerebral aneurisms
  - should be monitored closely



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