

Hypertension in Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease (ADPKD), Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD), & the General Population (GP)

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Objectives

1. Describe the pathophysiology of ADPKD and hypertension (HTN)

- 2. Compare and contrast the pathophysiology of HTN in the general population (GP), ADPKD, and CKD
- 3. Discuss unique risk factors and complications of ADPKD
- 4. Discuss HTN management in the GP and in patients with ADPKD and CKD

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HTN In ADPKD





- Hypertensive ADPKD patients with preserved kidney function have:²
 - ★ Greater total kidney volume (TKV)²
 - ✤ Higher proteinuria²
 - Decreased renal blood flow²

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Pathophysiology of HTN in ADPKD



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Proposed HTN Mechanisms

	ADPKD	CKD 🔇	GP 🕜
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	↑ Diastolic dysfunction and left ventricular mass index (LVMI) ^{1,2,6}		
	Prevalence of nocturnal blood pressure (BP) non-dipping → ★organ damage risk ¹		
Clinical Presentation	 HTN mean onset at 30-34 years. 15 years earlier than GP^{1,2} Higher HTN prevalence in ADPKD patients compared to healthy individuals <45 years old in GP.⁶ Men > women^{1,2} 	Prevalence ranges from 60–90% depending on the stage of CKD and its cause ³	Prevalence increases significantly with increasing age and is higher in black patients than in white, Asian, and Hispanic Americans ^{4,5}
Complications	Cardiovascular morbidity (myocardial infarction, heart failure, aneurysms, stroke, etc.) and mortality, CKD progression, etc. ¹⁻³		

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ADPKD and Aneurysm

Survivin expression downregulation² Aneurysm formation²

- ADPKD is associated with a 5-fold increased risk of intracranial aneurysms (ICAs) and incidence rate of 9-12%¹
- Median age for ICA rupture is significantly lower than the general population (41.5 vs 51 years old)¹
- Family history of ICA was the only risk factor for screening with magnetic resonance angiography (MRA)¹
- Recent studies have identified additional risk factors and a lower prevalence than previously reported [4.65% (3.56-5.74)¹

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Primary cilia

dysfunction²







Age >45 years old, especially in females²

Family history of ICAs^{1,2}

PKD2 vs PKD1 mutation [HR 0.4; 95% CI (0.2-0.8), p=0.009]¹

Early onset-hypertension (<35 years old) [HR 2.2; 95% CI (01.5-3.2), p≤0.001]¹

Smoking [HR 2.1; 95% CI (1.2-3.7), p=0.009]¹

Significant BP changes using ambulatory blood pressure monitoring (ABPM), such as high nocturnal SBP or DBPmax, nocturnal non-dipping, etc)²

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Hyperaldosteronism and CV risk in ADPKD patients

- HTN in ADPKD patients may be due to renal ischemia leading to activation of RAAS system. Primary aldosteronism (PA) can also be a cause of HTN due to decreased renin levels and increased aldosterone levels.¹
- HTN increases CV risk¹
- This study enrolled 27 patients and split into 2 groups:¹
 - Group A (normal Primary aldosterone concentration (PAC) 18 patients¹
 - Group B (PA) 9 patients¹
- Diagnosis of PA was made using fasting PAC and plasma renin activity (PRA)¹



Hyperaldosteronism and CV risk in ADPKD patients

- Statistically significant differences between the two groups included:¹
 - Higher mean value of LVMI, homeostasis model assessment for insulin resistance (HOMA-IR) and homocysteine (Hcy) found in Group B (PA)¹
 - Lower value of flow mediated dilation (FMD) and 25-OH-VitD compared to group A (normal PAC)¹
 - Group B had a higher prevalence of non-dipper pattern using ABPM¹
- Patients with ADPKD and PA have a high cardiovascular risk. This study had a higher percent of PA patients with ADPKD than the general population.
 Screening of PA in ADPKD patients along with CV risk factors should be performed.¹

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Antihypertensive Medications and Mortality in Patients with ADPKD: A Population-Based Study

- Retrospective cohort study of patients with ADPKD from 1991-2008
- Prescription and intensity of antihypertensive agents increased significantly over time with the greatest increase in RAASi followed by CCB¹
- Mortality was significantly lower in patients who were on antihypertensive medications with a trend of lower mortality with increasing number of drug classes¹



Calcium Channel Blocker (CCB) vs RAASi in PKD patients

- Retrospective study of 32 ADPKD patients treated with CCB vs RAASi¹
 - Medication couldn't be changed for 1 year and addition of diuretic was not permitted¹
 - CCB group showed a statistically significant reduction in yearly eGFR change compared to RAASi group¹
 - CCB was only variable shown to reduce eGFR out of SBP, DBP, confounding factors, RAASi and baseline eGFR¹
 - CCB may affect renal function negatively in PKD patients and avoidance of CCB is recommended unless treating resistant HTN¹
 - Animal model with PKD showed increase in cyst growth with verapamil¹
 - Study with normal human kidney cells showed cell proliferation and cyst formation when treated with a CCB¹
 - CCB could possibly block Ca²⁺ entrance into the cell therefore further decreasing intracellular calcium in PKD patients¹



1. Mitobe M, et al. Clin Exp Nephrol. 2010; 14:573-577

Landmark Trials

HALT-PKD Study A (2014) ¹ (n=558)	 Double-blind, placebo controlled, RCT, 15-49 years old with ADPKD and HTN, eGFR >60 mL/min/1.73 m², 2x2 factorial: Lisinopril +telmisartan vs lisinopril + placebo Standard BP target (120/70-130/80 mmHg) vs Low BP (95/60 mmHg-110/75 mmHg) 	 Angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACE-I)/angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) combination did not significantly reduce the rate of TKV increase Intensive BP control was associated with a slower TKV increase [5.6% vs 6.6%, (p=0.006)], no overall change in eGFR, a greater decline in LVMI, and greater reduction in urinary albumin excretion compared to standard BP
HALT-PKD Study A Secondary Analysis (2018) ² (n=477)	 Low (n=225) vs high dose (n=252) RAAS inhibition using median daily equivalent dose of RAASi 	 High dose group did not have a slower increase in TKV and chronic eGFR slope decline was similar to the low dose group. A higher SBP was associated with a greater eGFR decline. ADPKD progression based on eGFR decline and TKV increase was improved with intense BP control compared to pharmacological RAASi intensity
HALT-PKD Study B (2017) ³ (n=486)	 Double-blind, placebo controlled, RCT, 18-65 years old with ADPKD and HTN or high normal BP, eGFR 25-60 mL/min/1.73 m² Lisinopril vs lisinopril + telmisartan with doses titrated to achieve BP of 110/70 to 130/80 mmHg. 	 No significant difference in composite primary outcome of time to death, ESRD, or 50% reduction from the baseline eGFR between two groups. No difference in overall rate of change in eGFR No significant difference in rate of hospitalization or secondary outcomes (frequency of symptoms related to ADKPD, quality of life and incidence of pain.

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SPRINT Trial (2015) ¹ n=9361	 Multi-center, open-label, RCT SBP 130-180 mmHg, ≥50 years old, high CV risk, eGFR 20-60 mL/min/1.73 m², no diabetes or prior stroke Intensive-treatment (SBP <120mmHg) vs Standard (SBP <140 mmHg) 	 Trial stopped early due to significantly lower rates of fatal and nonfatal major CV events and all-cause mortality in the intensive-treatment group compared to the standard group. Hypotension, syncope, electrolyte abnormalities, and acute kidney injury were significantly higher in intensive treatment group (SBP <120 mmHg).
PREVENT-ADPKD (2021) ² n=184	 3-year RCT, 18-67 years old, ADPKD, eGFR≥30 mL/min/1.73 m², Mayo Class 1B-1E Prescribed water intake uOsm goal ≤270 mOsm/Kg vs ad libitum 	 There was no significant difference between annualized height-adjusted TKV rate of growth, eGFR decline, or copeptin levels. Only 52.3% of patients achieved the 24-hr uOsm goal ≤270 mOsm/Kg and was not associated with additional adverse events.

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HTN Management

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Lifestyle Modifications 1st-line	 Sodium: <2g/day or <5g sodium chloride/day¹, protein restriction to 0.8–1.0 g/kg ideal body weight² Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension (DASH Diet): ↑ fruits and vegetables, ↓ saturated and unsaturated fats.³ CKD 4&5: Hyperkalemia concern.¹ Fluids: Moderate Alcohol (men, ≤2 drinks; women ≤1)⁴ ↓ Caffeine Intake,^{5,3} ADPKD hydration goal: ~3L/day.^{5,6} Smoking Cessation^{1,3,4,5} Weight Loss: waist-to-height ratio <0.5 to avoid obesity³ Exercise: 90-150 minutes of aerobic exercise weekly⁴ 		
Medications [*]	 1st-line: ACE-I/ARB^{2,5,7} 2nd-line: Beta blockers (mild RAAS effect)⁵ 3rd-line: Calcium channel blockers (CCB) with caution⁵ 4th-line: Diuretics with caution (+RAASi)⁵ 	 1st-line: ACE-I/ARB for patients with high BP, CKD and severely or moderately increased albuminuria with or without diabetes¹ Other drugs: Based on comorbidities⁴ 	 Thiazide diuretics, ACE-I/ARB, CCB (choice based on comorbidities)^{8,9} For Stage II HTN (>140/90 mmHg), can consider starting with 2 agents from two different classes^{8,9}
Goals	 KDIGO*: Systolic Blood Pressure (SBP) 95–110 mmHg may be more beneficial than 120–130 mmHg¹ Expert Opinion: Mayo Class 1C-1E & 18-50 y.o.: <110/75 mmHg; others: <130/80 mmHg² 	KDIGO: SBP <120 mmHg, if tolerated ¹	 2017 Multisociety Guideline: <130/80 mmHg for adults 18-65 y.o.^{3,4,8} ISH*: <65 y.o.: <130/80 mmHg, but >120/70 mmHg; >65 y.o.: <140/90 mmHg as tolerated^{3,4}

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Diet

- Protein restriction: 0.8–1.0 g/kg ideal body weight²
- Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension (DASH Diet):
- CKD 4&5: Hyperkalemia concern¹

Fluids

- Moderate Alcohol (men, ≤ 2 drinks; women ≤ 1)⁴
- Caffeine Intake^{3,5}
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Conclusions

- HTN is one of the first presenting symptoms in $\sim 30\%$ of patients with ADPKD¹
- There are several overlapping risk factors, complications, and mechanisms of HTN development with ADPKD, CKD, and the GP^{1,2,3}
- Renal cyst formation and cardiac and carotid abnormalities caused by polycystin 1 & 2 abnormalities further contribute to HTN development in ADPKD²
- Family history, female sex, age >45 (especially in females), smoking, PKD1 mutation, early onset HTN <35 years old, and significant fluctuations in BP (e.g. nocturnal non-dipping) are risk factors for ICAs in patients with ADPKD^{4,5}
- HTN treatment goals and medication choices vary for patients with ADPKD and CKD, and the GP⁶⁻¹⁰

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