



Board Review Questions on Glomerular Diseases

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Question 1

Which initial patient presentation is least likely to be associated with new onset minimal change disease?

- 1) 65 year old M with AKI and 4+ proteinuria**
- 2) 32 year old F with 2.1 g proteinuria daily**
- 3) 45 year old M with 9 g proteinuria daily**
- 4) 28 year old M with High BP, microhematuria and 4+ proteinuria.**

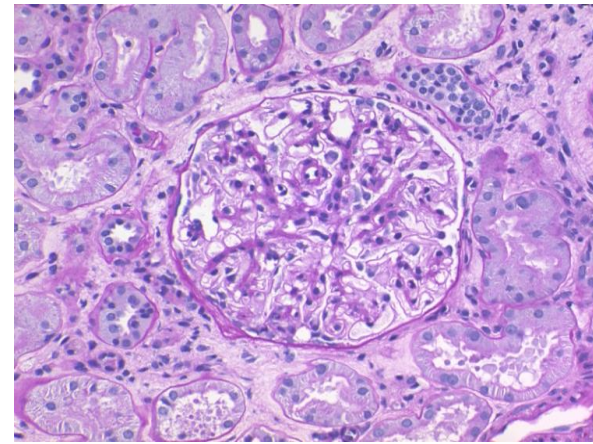
Features, Treatment, Course

Adult MCD – 5 Pearls

95 Bxed Adult MCD at CUMC

- 1) **Reduced GFR** - GFR 72 cc/min Pcreat 1.4 mg/dl
- 2) **Heavy proteinuria** -24h Protein 9.9 g/day
hematuria 20% HBP 43%
- 3) **AKI at presentation** 17% (eventual 24%)
- 4) **No Diference in Pred response QD vs QOD** (76% vs 74%) or in time to response (11 v 16 wks) or percent relapse (75% v 63%)
- 5) **Relapse Common** Of responders 40% relapse by 6 months , most respond again to steroids

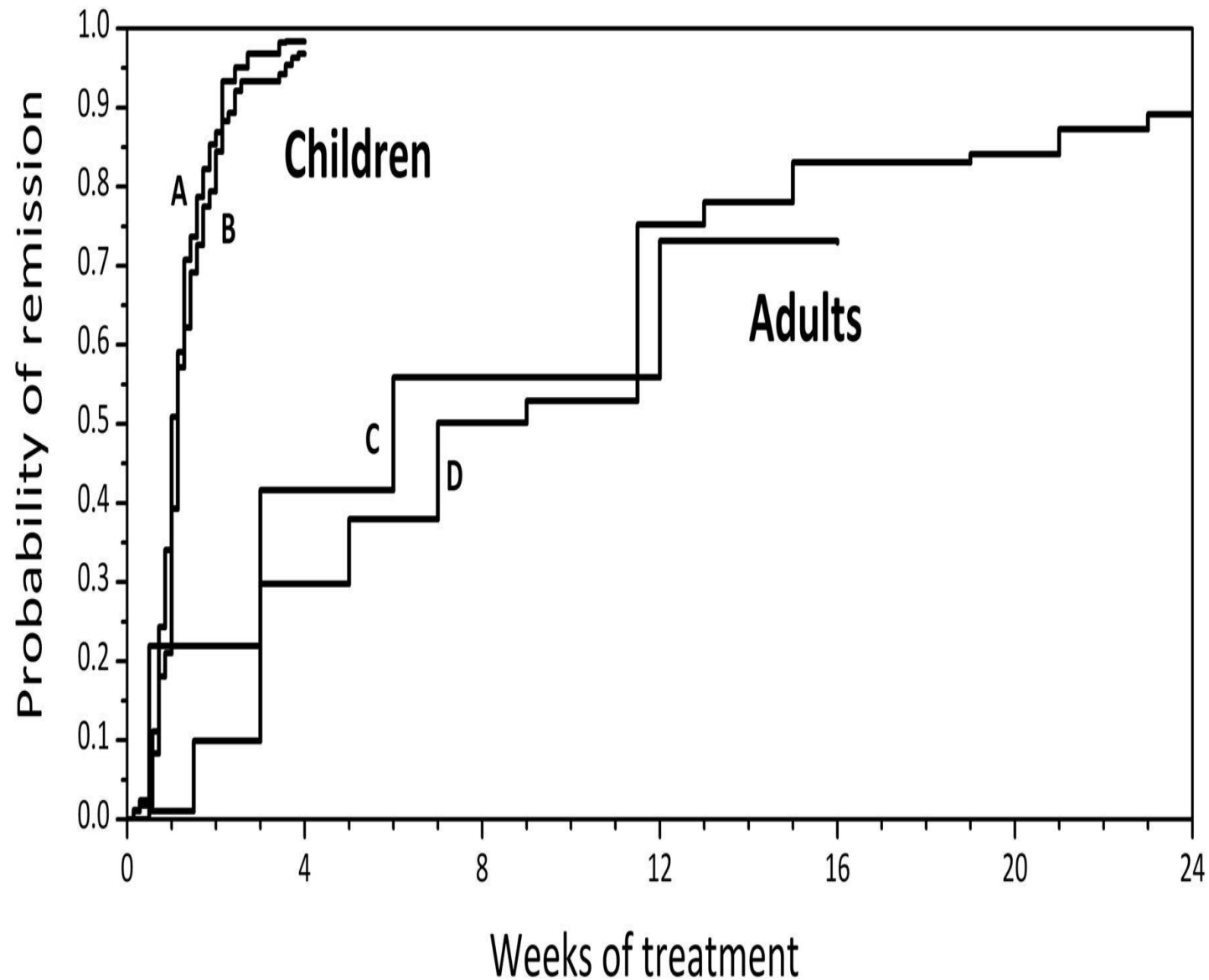
Question 2



In general, adult patients with Minimal Change Disease respond to corticosteroids similar to children and can be considered steroid resistant if they do not have a reduction in proteinuria by 2 months of therapy.

True or False?

**Time-to-response to prednisone is much shorter in
children than in adults with MCD**
M Vivarelli et al. CJASN 2017;12:332-345

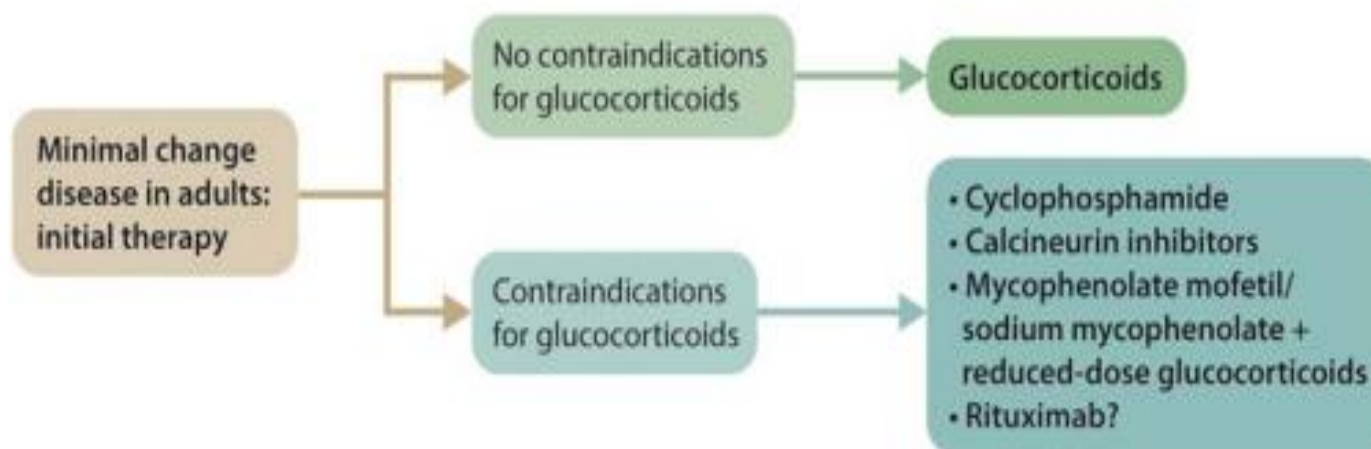


Question 3

A 38 yo F with the nephrotic syndrome due to MCD has responded to a course of prednisone with a complete remission but has relapsed x 3 whenever she discontinues the prednisone. Which therapy will give the highest remission rate for treatment at this time?

- 1) cyclosporine**
- 2) cyclophosphamide**
- 3) Tacrolimus**
- 4) Mycophenolate mofetil**
- 5) All above are equivalent**

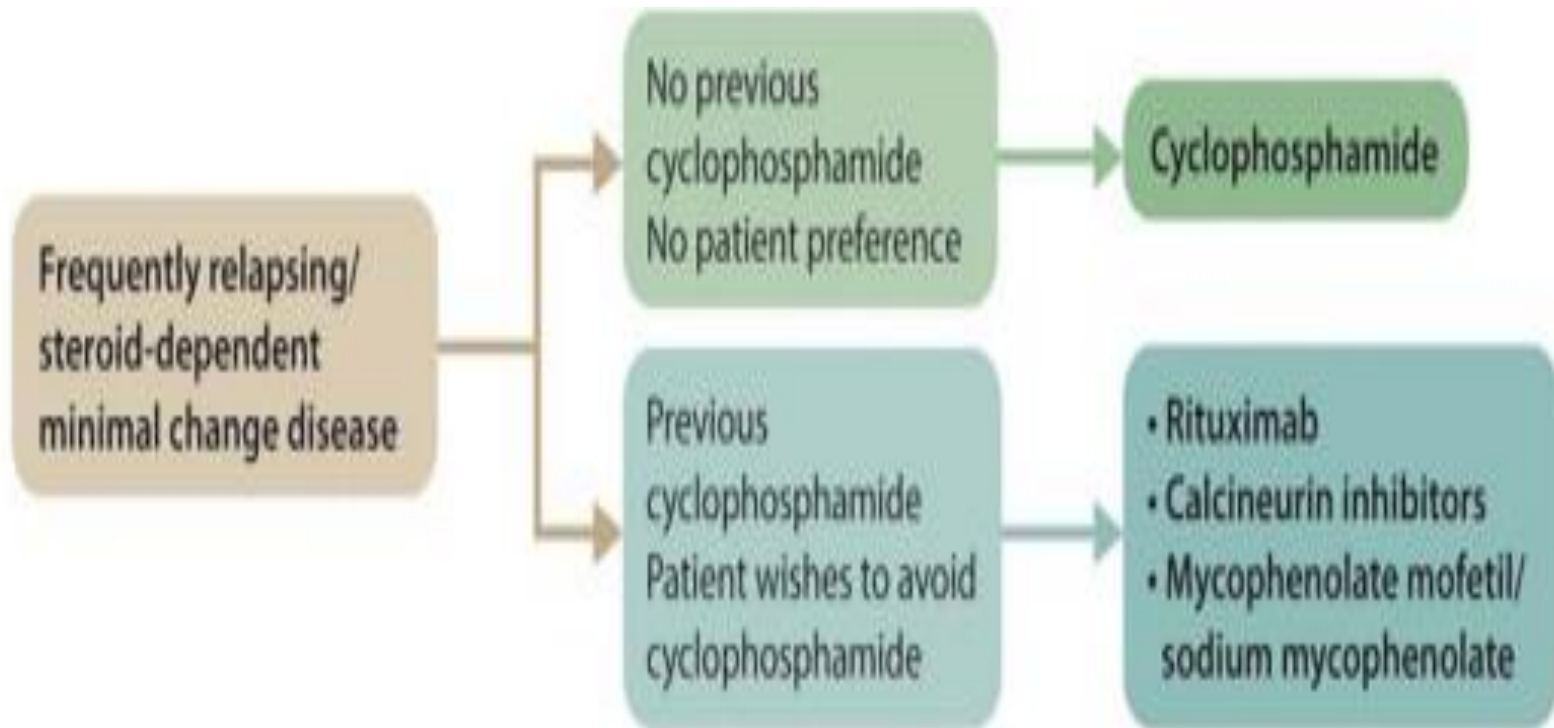
KDIGO – Initial therapy of MCD in Adults



Contraindications: All relative – Obesity, Diabetes, Cosmetic concerns, Prior problems with steroids.

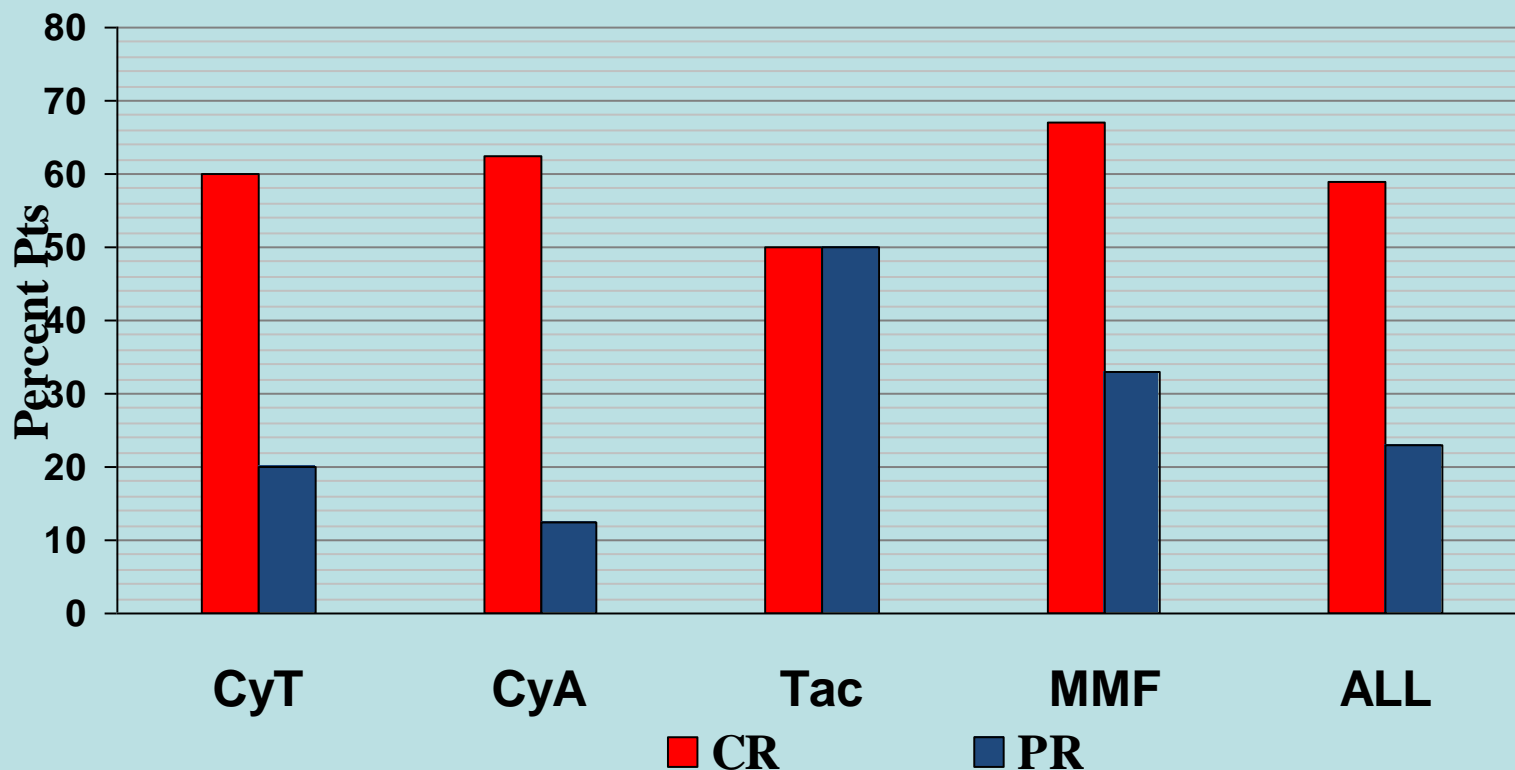
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KDIGO – Therapy of FR/Steroid Dependent MCD in Adults



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Steroid-Dependent or FR Adult MCD: Response to Second Line Agents is Similar



	Li et al 2017 (n = 119)		Patil et al 2019 (n = 48)		Thomas et al 2020 (n = 50)		Chin et al 2021 (n = 144)	
								
 Regimen	IV MP 0.8 mg/kg x 10 days + Tacrolimus	Oral Pred 1 mg/kg	Tacrolimus only Tx	Oral Pred 1 mg/kg	Tacrolimus only Tx	Oral Pred 1 mg/kg	Tacrolimus + Oral Pred 0.5 mg/kg	Oral Pred 1 mg/kg
 Remission	98%	96%	80%	78%	88%	92%	79%	77%
 Toxicity	n = 81	n = 128	n = 20	n = 17	n = 20	n = 17	n = 127	n = 133
 Relapse	45%	49%	32%	39%	72%	74%	6%	23%

Long-Term Outcomes of Rituximab in Adults w Podocytopathies

- **183 adults** (64 FSGS , 119 MCD) with difficult to treat NS (68% SD/FR , 22% SR, 85% prior treated with 2 or more immune meds)
- All Rx with **Rituximab**.
- **Complete or partial remit at 6 months in 82%**
- **55% of responders achieved long-term (3 yr) relapse free survival**
- Over 36 mo stable GFR of initial responders with complete or partial remission
- Maintenance therapy associated with better relapse free survival

Long-Term Outcomes of Rituximab in Adults w Podocytopathies

Gaukler et Al JASN 36:668-678, 2025

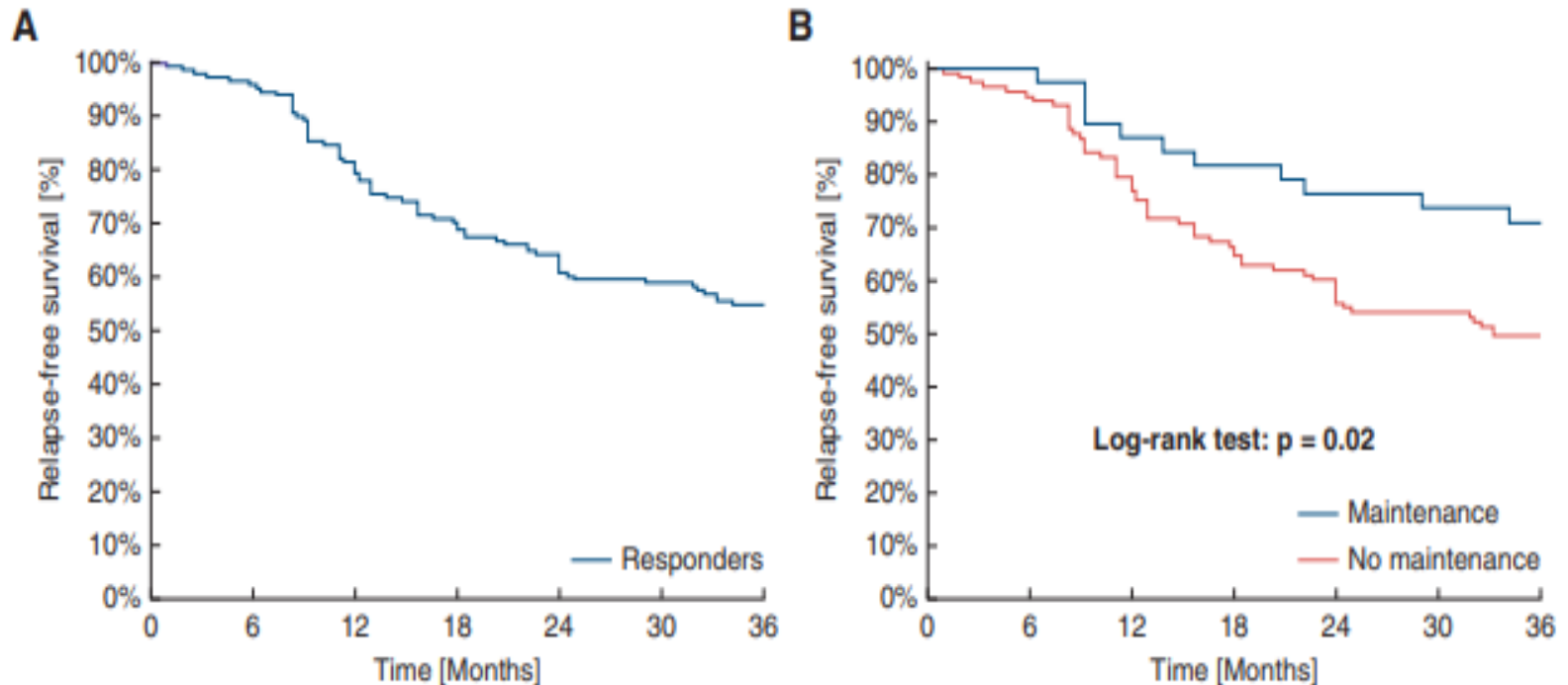
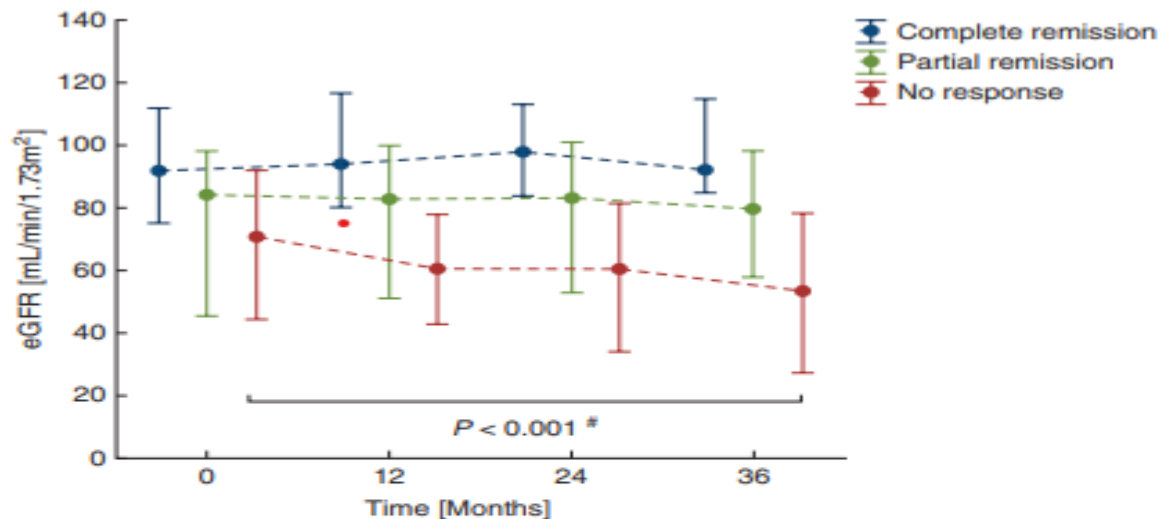


Figure 1. Three-year relapse-free survival in rituximab responders. Three-year relapse-free survival in all initial rituximab responders of the total cohort (A) and subgroup comparison with maintenance (red line) versus without maintenance (blue line) treatment with rituximab (B).

Long-Term Outcomes of Rituximab in Adults w Podocytopathies

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Group	n	eGFR [mL/min/1.73m ²]				P – value*	ΔeGFR 0-36 months
		Baseline	12 months	24 months	36 months		
Complete remission	107	92 (75-112)	94 (80-117)	98 (84-113)	92 (85-115)	0.99	0 (-6 to +9)
Partial remission	33	84 (46-98)	83 (51-100)	83 (53-101)	80 (58-98)	0.08	-4 (-9 to +14)
No response	28	71 (45-92)	61 (43-78)	61 (34-82)	53 (28-79)	<0.001	-11 (-33 to -6) [#]

Figure 4. eGFR course over 3 years in complete responders, partial responders, and those with no response. The eGFR course over time

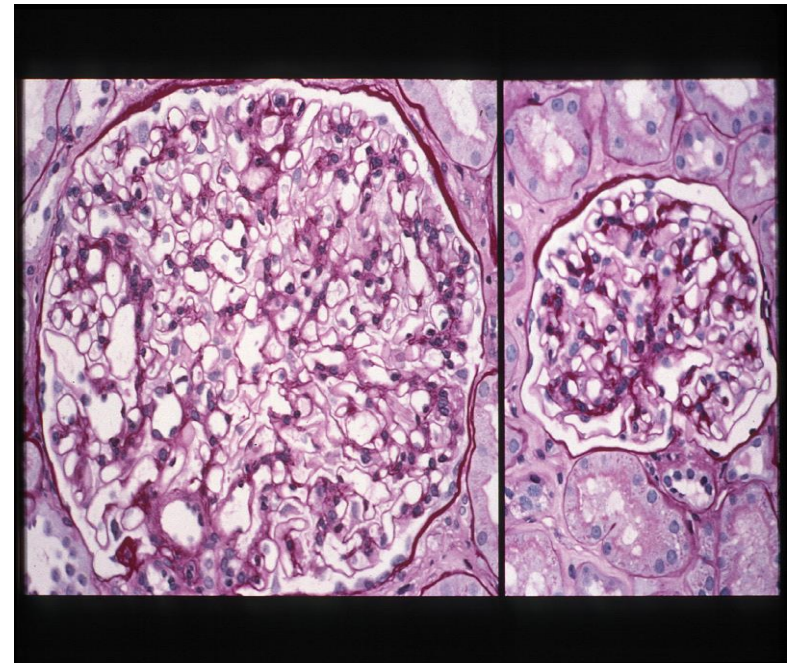
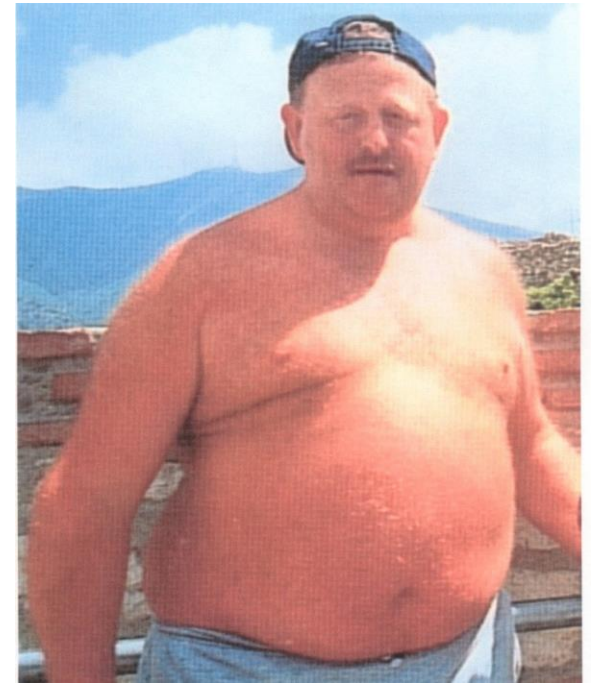
Question 4

Which clinical and laboratory features suggest an obese nephrotic patient is more likely to have a secondary (“hyperfiltration” etiology) rather than primary FSGS?

- 1) Serum albumin of 2.4 g/dl and 9 g proteinuria/day
- 2) Serum albumin of 3.8 g/dl and 3.4 g proteinuria/day
- 3) Perihilar FSGS and absence of hematuria
- 4) BMI > 40 and plasma albumin < 2 g/dl

Obesity Related Glomerulomegaly and Secondary FSGS

- Lesser degrees of Proteinuria
- Higher P albumin
- Glomerulomegaly
- Perihilar FSGS



Question 5

Which genetic defect of FSGS is **NOT** typically associated with an autosomal dominant inheritance?

- 1) alpha actinin 4
- 2) Inverted formin 2
- 3) Podocin
- 4) TRPC6 channel

Genetic Podocyte Mutations

- Alpha actinin 4 familial autosomal dominant FSGS.
- Podocin (NPHS2) autosomal recessive steroid resistant nephrotic syndrome
- TRPC6 channel defect – autosomal dominant FSGS (Nature Genetics 2005)
- Formin INF2 gene – autosomal dominant (Nature Genetics 42:72, 2010)

Question 6

- Which disease, ultimately proven to be genetic by Whole Exome Sequencing, is most commonly mistaken for FSGS on light microscopy?
- 1) Nail patella Syndrome
- 2) Collagen 4 A 3,4,5 defects .
- 3) Fabry's disease
- 4) Tuberous Sclerosis

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

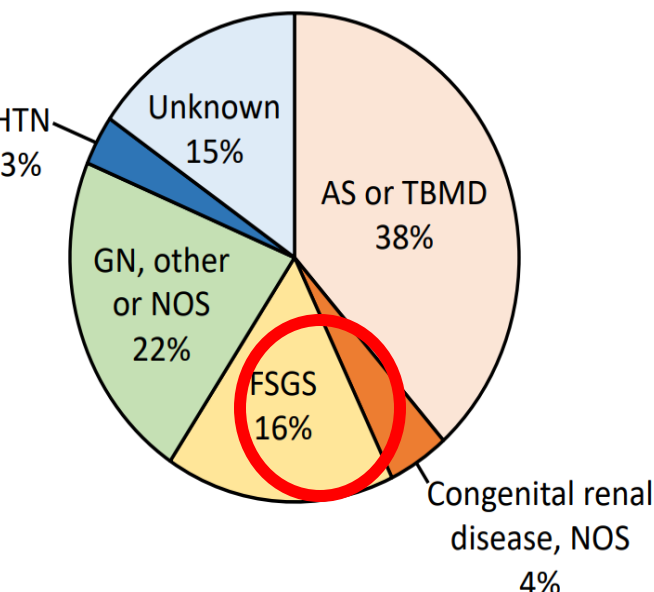
Diagnostic Utility of Exome Sequencing for Kidney Disease

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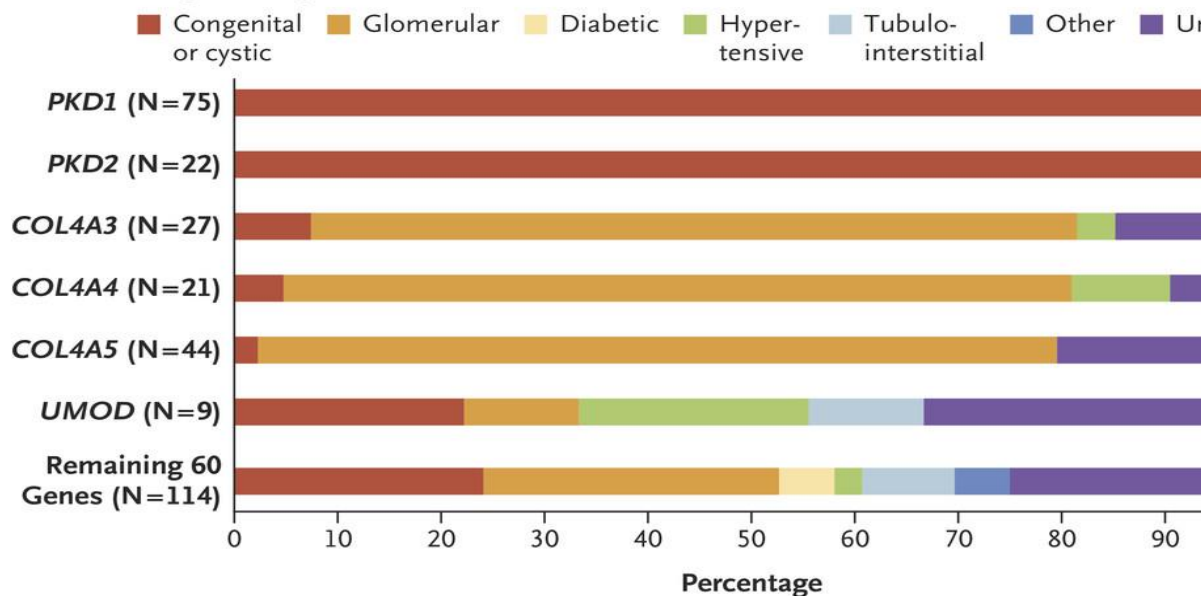
NEJM 380: 142-151
Jan 2019

307 of 3315 pts
(9.3%)

A Common Genetic Findings



B Clinical Diagnostic Spectrum



Question 7

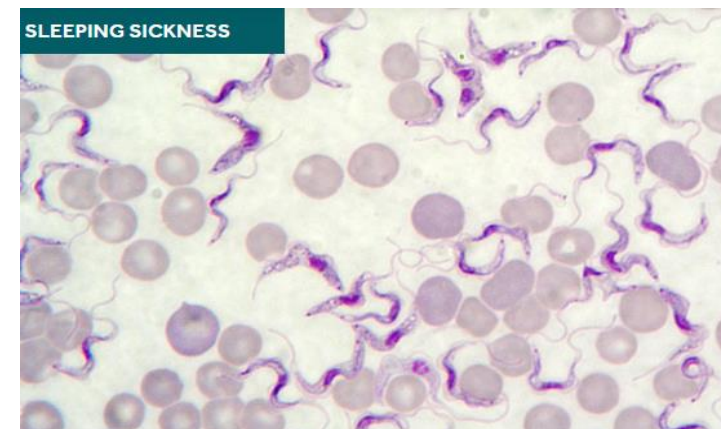
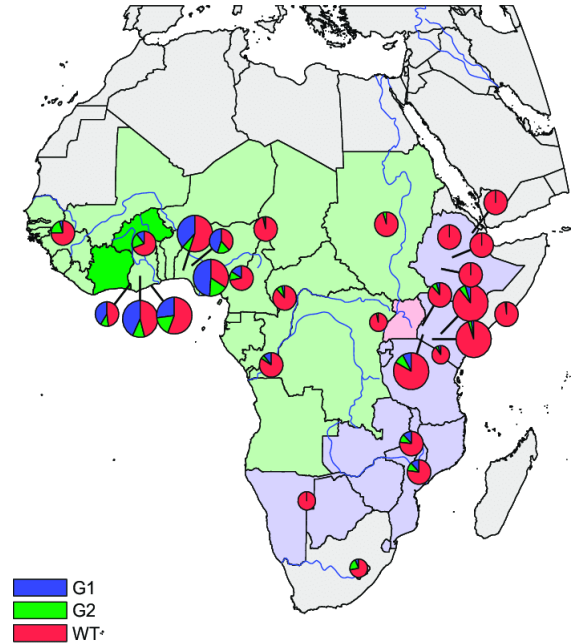
Glomerulosclerosis related to APOL1 high risk genes (G1G1,G1G2,G2G2) increase the risk of having FSGS and all of the following diseases EXCEPT which of the following?

- 1) HIVAN
- 2) COVID associated nephrotic syndrome
- 3) Systemic lupus nephritis
- 4) Diabetes mellitus

A Risk Allele for FSGS in African Americans is located in a region Containing APOL 1

- Strong association of FSGS with genes for **APOL 1**.
- **Patients with G1 and G2 alleles (G1G1,G1G2,G2G2)** have a multi-fold increase risk for developing FSGS and sclerosing glomerular diseases.
- A “genetic predisposition” not a dominant or recessive gene with all or none inheritance.
- APOL 1 alleles selected for by association with prevention of *Trypanosoma brucei* (sleeping sickness)!

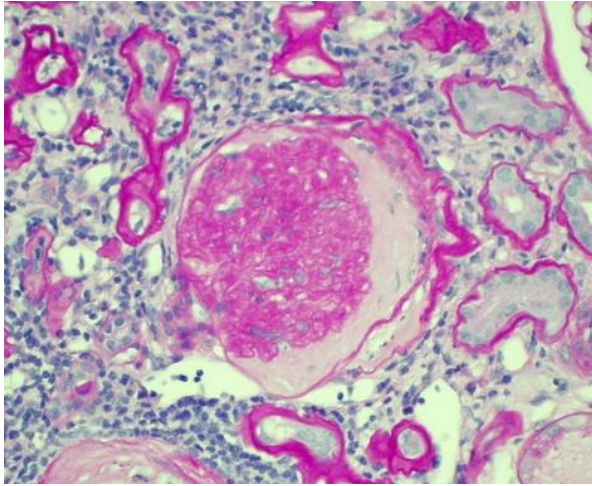
Genovese G, Tonna SJ, Knob A, Appel GB...Pollak MR. Kidney Int 78:698-704, 2010



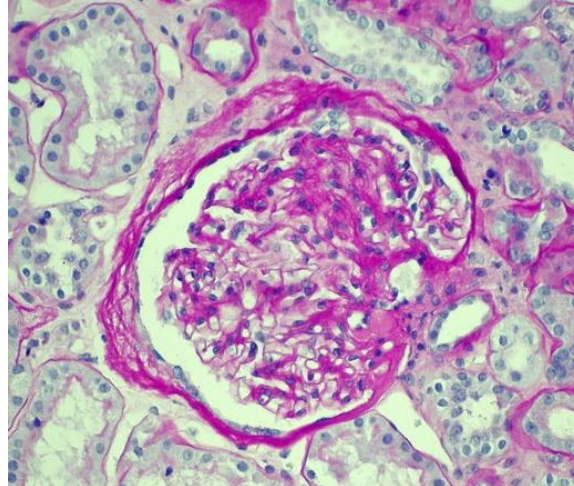
Spectrum of *APOL1*-associated nephropathy

**Focal Global
Glomerulosclerosis**

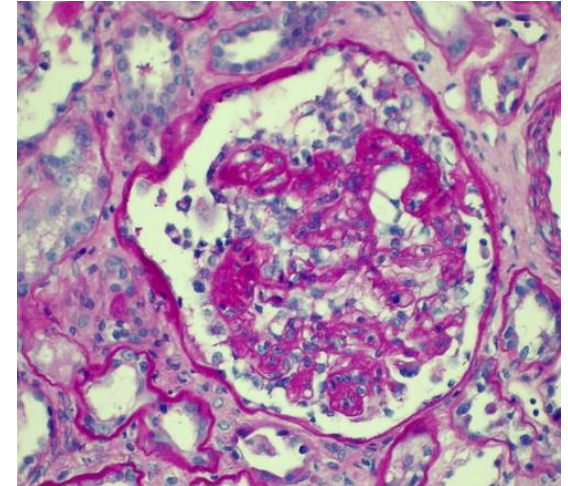
“Hypertension-attributed”



**Focal Segmental
Glomerulosclerosis**








**Collapsing FSGS
(HIVAN)
(COVAN)**



Proteinuria & nephropathy progression rate

**Severe lupus nephritis
Sickle cell nephropathy**

Longitudinal Outcomes of COVID-19–Associated Collapsing Glomerulopathy and Other Podocytopathies

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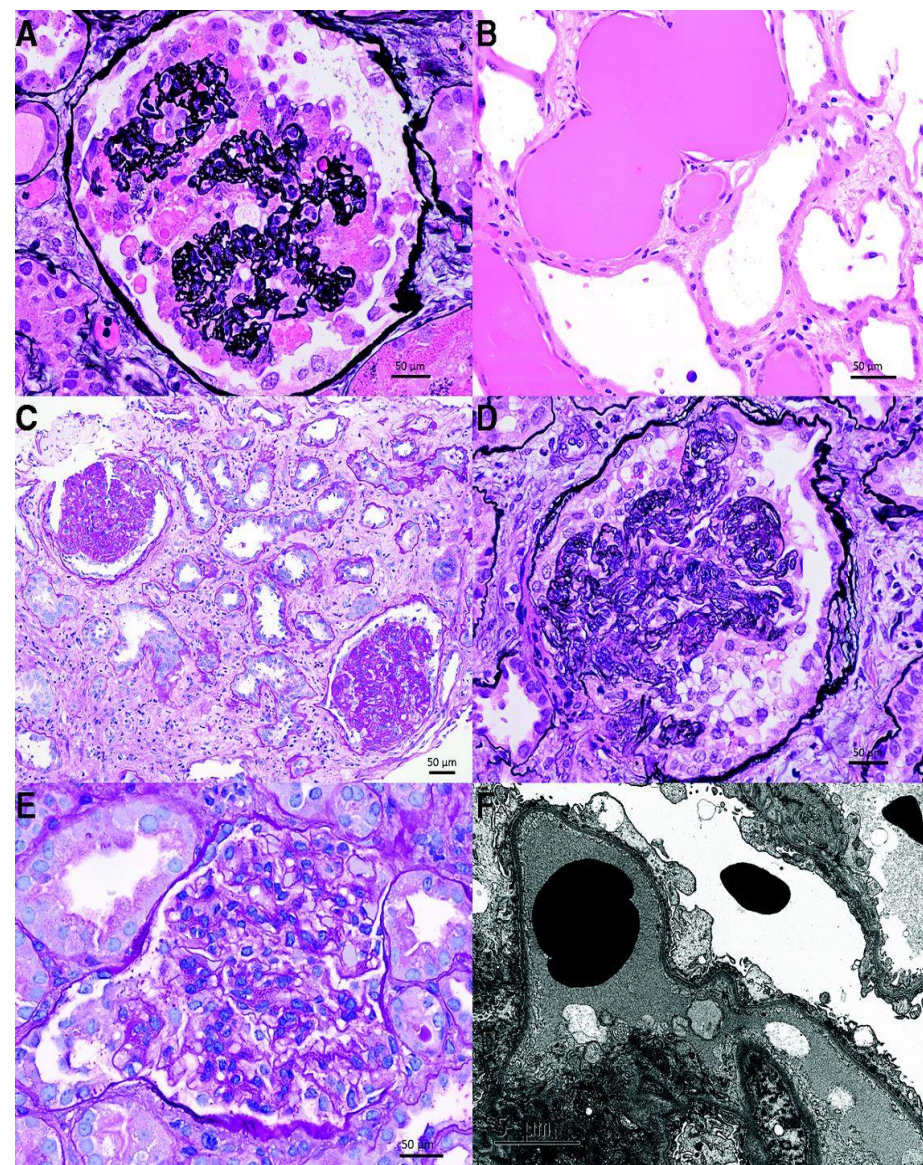
ABSTRACT

Background The long-term outcome of COVID-19–associated collapsing glomerulopathy is unknown.

Methods We retrospectively identified 76 native kidney biopsies from patients with history of COVID-19 between March 2020 and April 2021. Presenting and outcome data were obtained for all 23 patients with collapsing glomerulopathy and for seven patients with noncollapsing podocytopathies. We performed APOL1 genotyping by Sanger sequencing, immunostaining for spike and nucleocapsid proteins, and *in situ* hybridization for SARS-CoV-2.

91% AA and 94% high risk APOL1

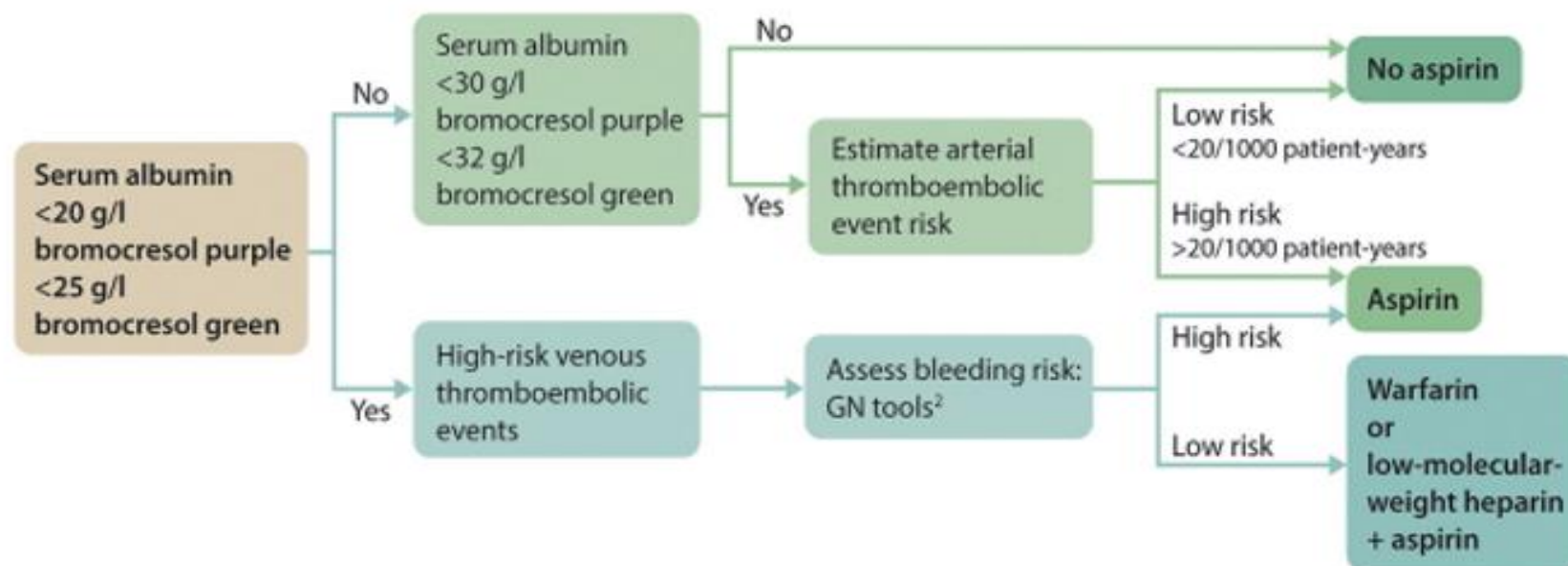
(range, 30–412), 11 (50%) received treatment for COVID-19, and eight (36%) received glucocorticoid therapy for glomerulopathy. At follow-up, 40 (60%) patients were alive, and 45 (66%) were dialysis-



Question 8

- A 64 yo M with 12 g proteinuria daily and serum albumin of 3.2 g/dl and eGFR 28 cc/min has a bx shows MN with + anti-PLA2R staining. Which is true about thromboses in MN.
 - 1) Anticoagulation will not be beneficial unless the Salb is < 2.0 g/dl.
 - 2) Data supports prophylactic oral NOACs over warfarin to prevent thrombosis.
 - 3) Anticoagulation has not proven beneficial in MN patients who are PLA2R antibody positive.
 - 4) Anticoagulation should be based on an individual risk/benefit strategy

KDIGO and Up to Date – Guide to Anticoagulation in MN



UpToDate

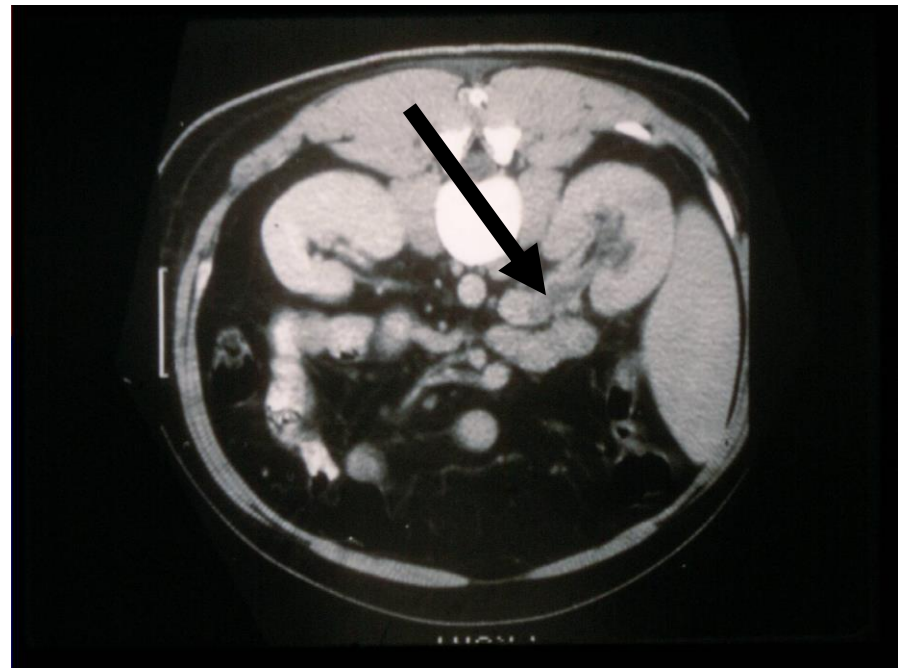
We do not routinely prescribe direct oral anticoagulants (DOACs) as prophylactic anticoagulation in MN, given limited data. May consider DOACs in pts with side effects or inadequate therapeutic effects from [warfarin](#) and if the patient is unwilling to take low-molecular-weight heparin.

UpToDate

Assess risk of thrombosis and of bleeding (<http://www.med.unc.edu/gntools>)

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Renal Vein Thrombosis in MN



Question 9 -Auto-Antigens in Membranous Nephropathy

Which “autoantigen(s)” in biopsies of patients with MN have been associated with tumors?

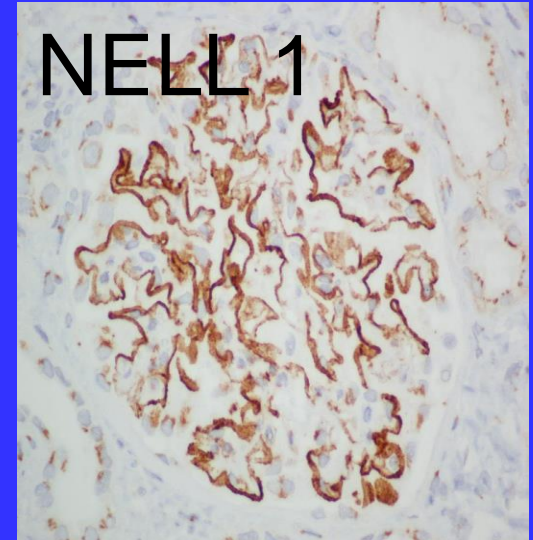
- 1) SEMA3B
- 2) Exostosin 1 and 2
- 3) NELL 1
- 4) PLA2r
- 5) THSD7A

Ahmad S, Appel GB. Antigens, antibodies, and membranous nephropathy: a decade of progress Kidney Int: 97: 29–31, 2020.

NELL1-associated MN

Table 3 | Increased prevalence of malignancy in NELL1-associated MN compared with PLA2R-associated MN, THSD7A-associated MN, and MN due to unknown antigens^a

Type of neoplasm	PLA2R-positive (n = 35 of 829)	THSD7A-positive (n = 4 of 37)	NELL1-positive (n = 30 of 91)	Unknown antigen (n = 42 of 421)
Prostate adenocarcinoma	10	3	6	10
Breast carcinoma	12	1	5	8
Gastric carcinoma	0	0	1	2
Soft-tissue tumor	0	0	1	0
Glioma	0	0	1	0
Colon adenocarcinoma	1	0	1	6
Lung carcinoma	1	0	3	4
Bladder carcinoma	5	0	2	0
Renal cell carcinoma	2	1	3	5
Pancreatic carcinoma	0	0	0	1
Hepatocellular carcinoma	0	0	0	1
Thyroid carcinoma	0	0	1	2
Ovarian carcinoma	0	0	1	0
Uterine carcinoma	0	0	0	1
Cervical carcinoma	1	0	1	0
Testicular carcinoma	1	0	0	0
Skin (melanoma, BCC, SCC)	2	0	4	1
SCC (head/neck)	0	1	1	2
Laryngeal carcinoma	0	0	0	1
Nasopharyngeal carcinoma	0	0	1	0
Thymoma	0	0	1	0
Lymphoma	0	0	1	1
Total	35	6 ^b	34 ^c	45 ^d



4.2% 11% 33%

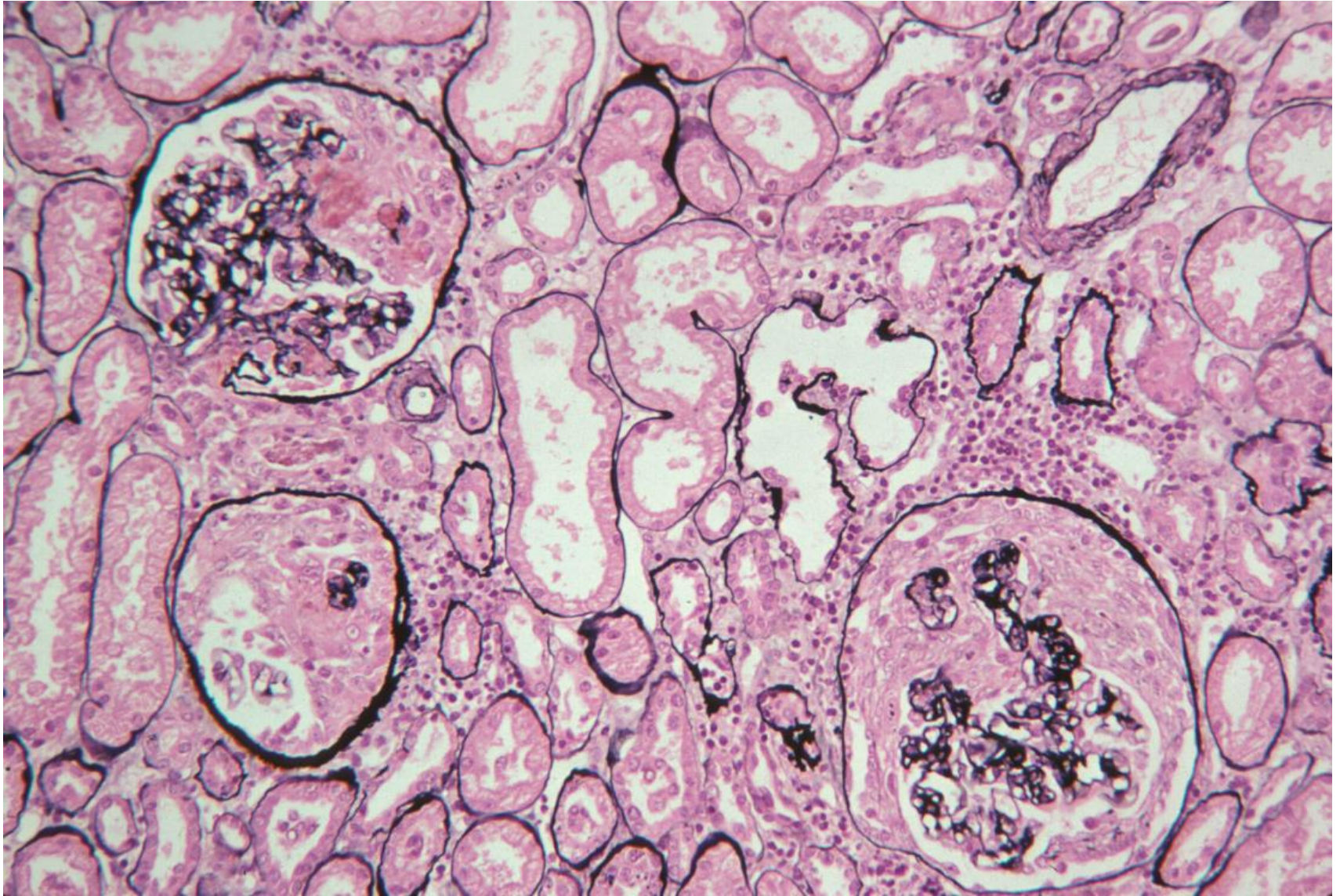
Caza et al NELL1 is a target antigen in Malignancy –assoc MN Kid Int (2021) 99:967-976

Question 10 - Which test is usually NOT part of the evaluation of a patient whose kidney biopsy shows the following Pattern?

- 1) HCV and HBV serology**
- 2) S PEP , U PEP, Free-Lyte**
- 3) ANA and complement level**
- 4) Anti GBM antibody titer**



Anti GBM Dis = A Crescentic GN

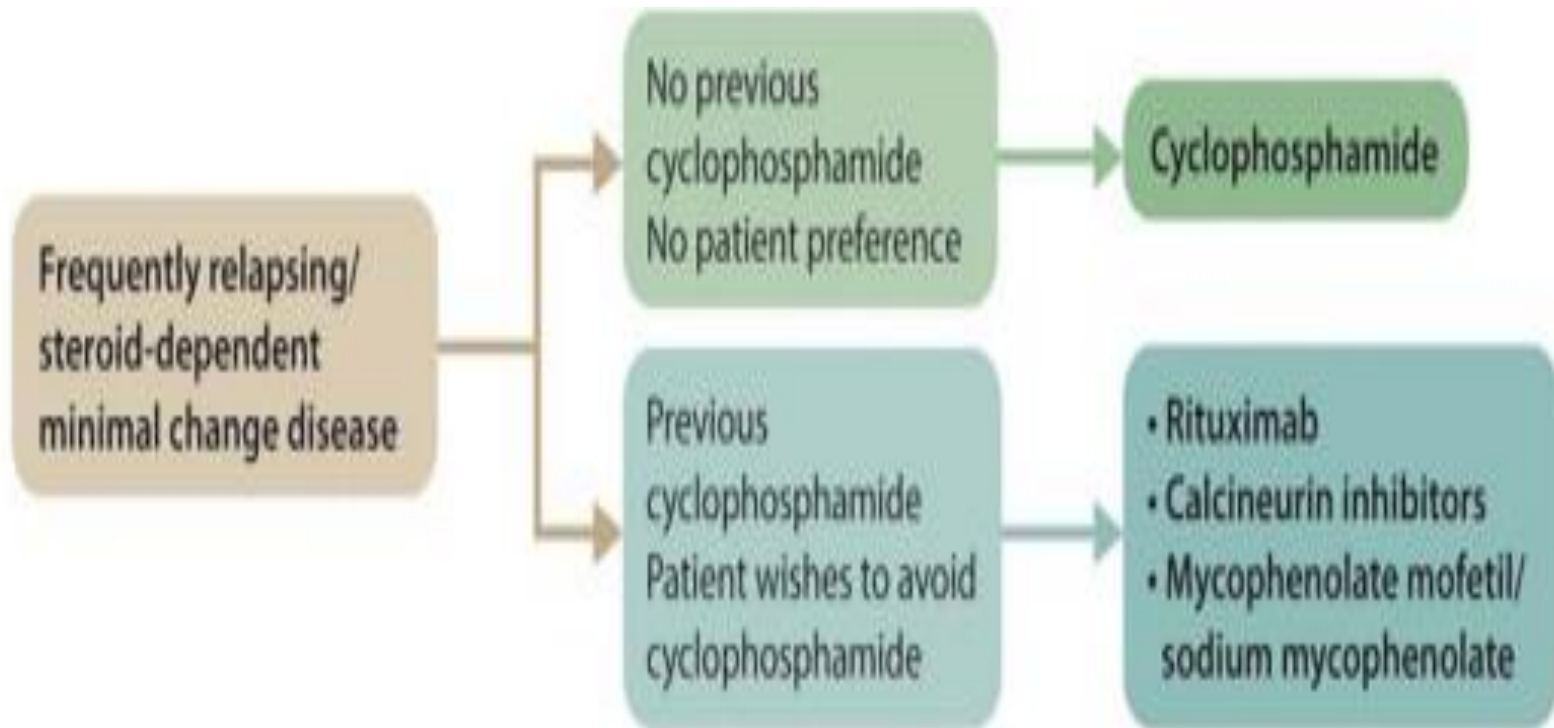


Question 11

For which glomerular disease(s) has rituximab NOT been recommended as a first line therapy?

- 1) Frequent relapsing or steroid resistant MCD**
- 2) ANCA + vasculitis.**
- 3) IgA Nephropathy.**
- 4) Membranous Nephropathy**

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RAVE TRIAL

N=197

1–3 (1000-mg)
IV pulses
methylprednisolone

Rituximab Group (n=99)

Ritux IV (375 mg/m² weekly x 4)
Oral CYC-placebo daily for 3–6 months

Patients in Remission

AZA^s-placebo (daily up to 18 months)

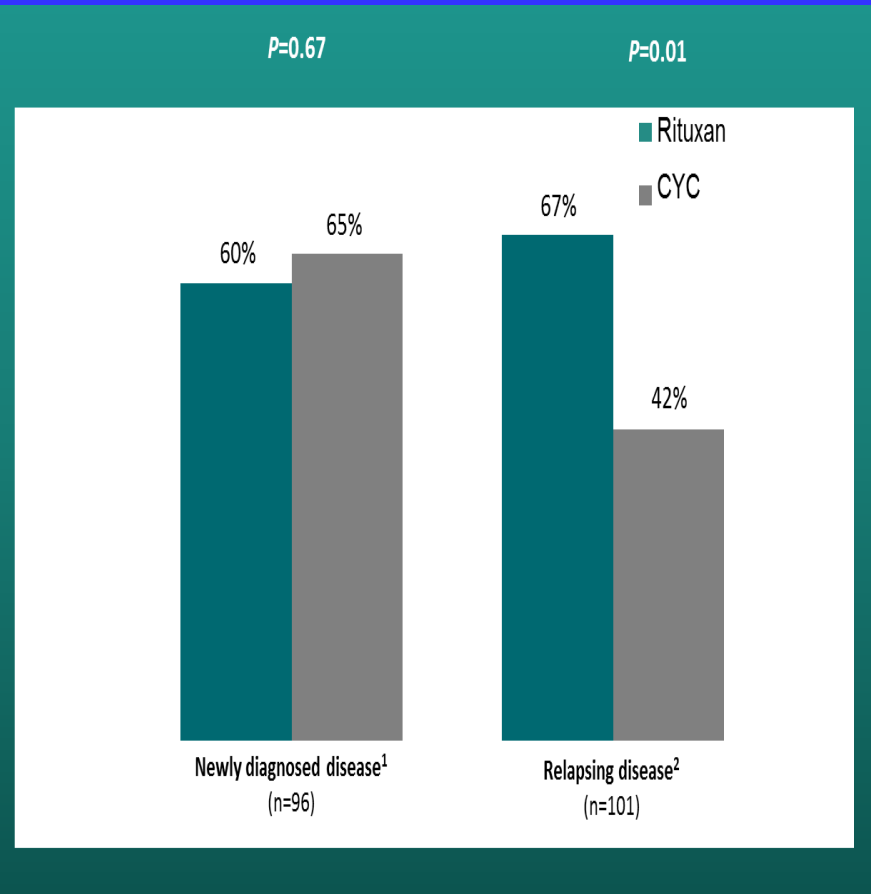
CYCLOPHOS Group (n=98)

Ritux-placebo IV
Oral CYC (2 mg/kg) daily[†] for 3–6 months

Patients in Remission

AZA (2 mg/kg daily up to month 18)

Complete remissions by 6 mo

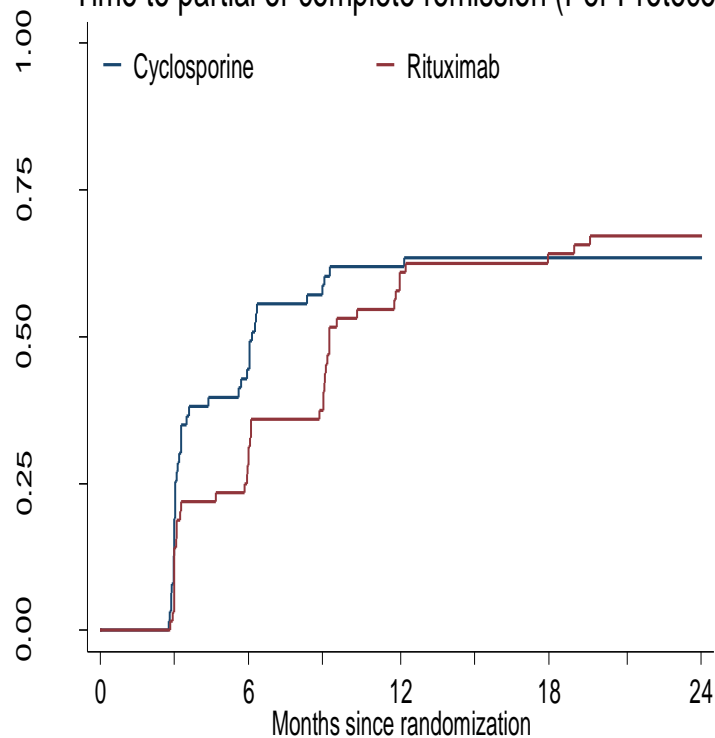


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Rituximab or Cyclosporine Treatment of Membranous Nephropathy

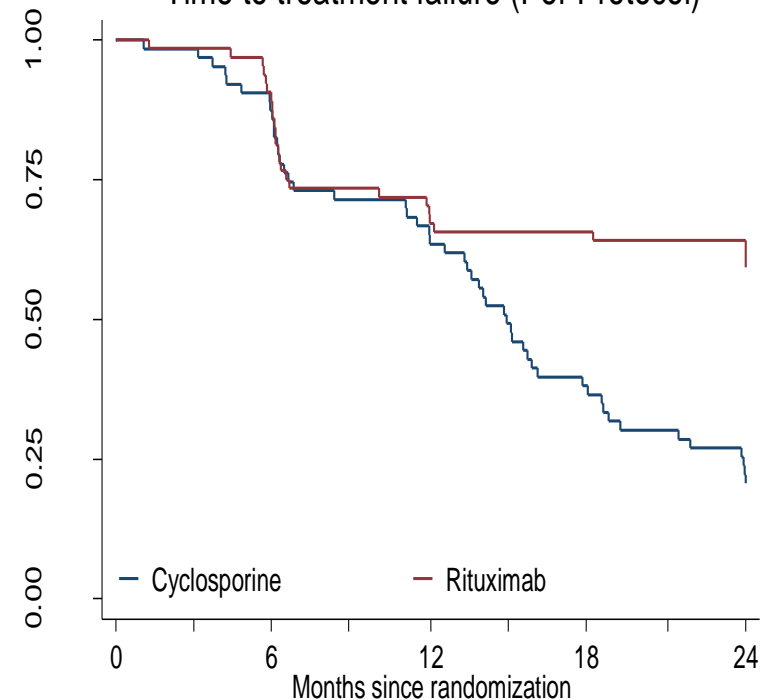
Fervenza F, Appel GB, Barbour SJ et al , NEJM 381:36-46, 2109

Time to partial or complete remission (Per Protocol)



Number at risk					
Rituximab	64	46	25	23	21
Cyclosporine	63	35	24	23	23

Time to treatment failure (Per Protocol)



Number at risk					
Rituximab	64	58	43	42	41
Cyclosporine	63	55	40	24	14

Rituximab or Cyclophosphamide in the Treatment of Membranous Nephropathy: The RI-CYCLO Randomized Trial

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ABSTRACT

Background A cyclic corticosteroid-cyclophosphamide regimen is the first-line therapy for membranous nephropathy. Compared with this regimen, rituximab therapy might have a more favorable safety profile but a head-to-head comparison is lacking.

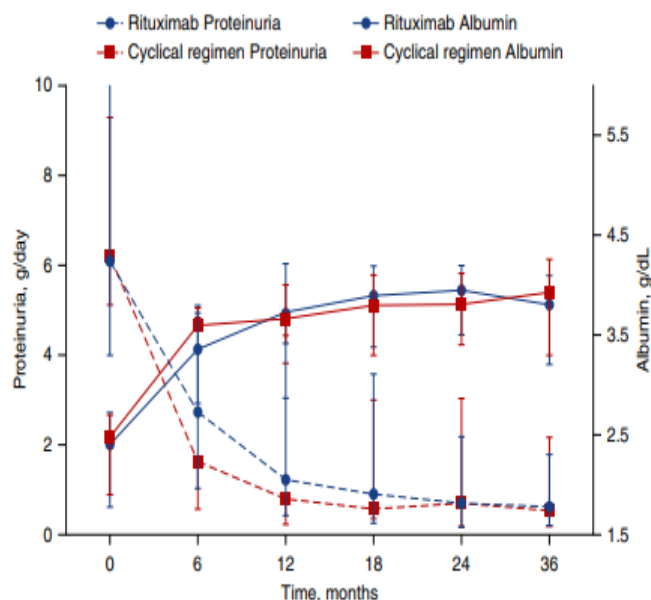
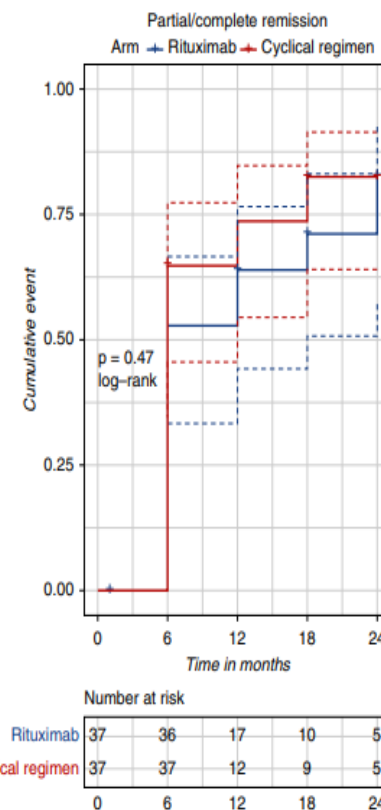
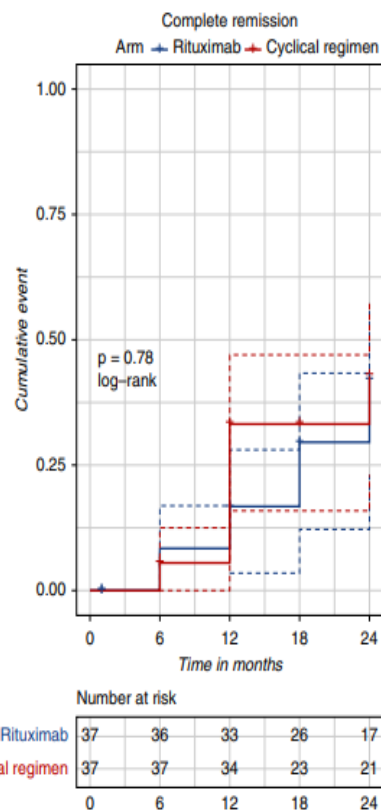


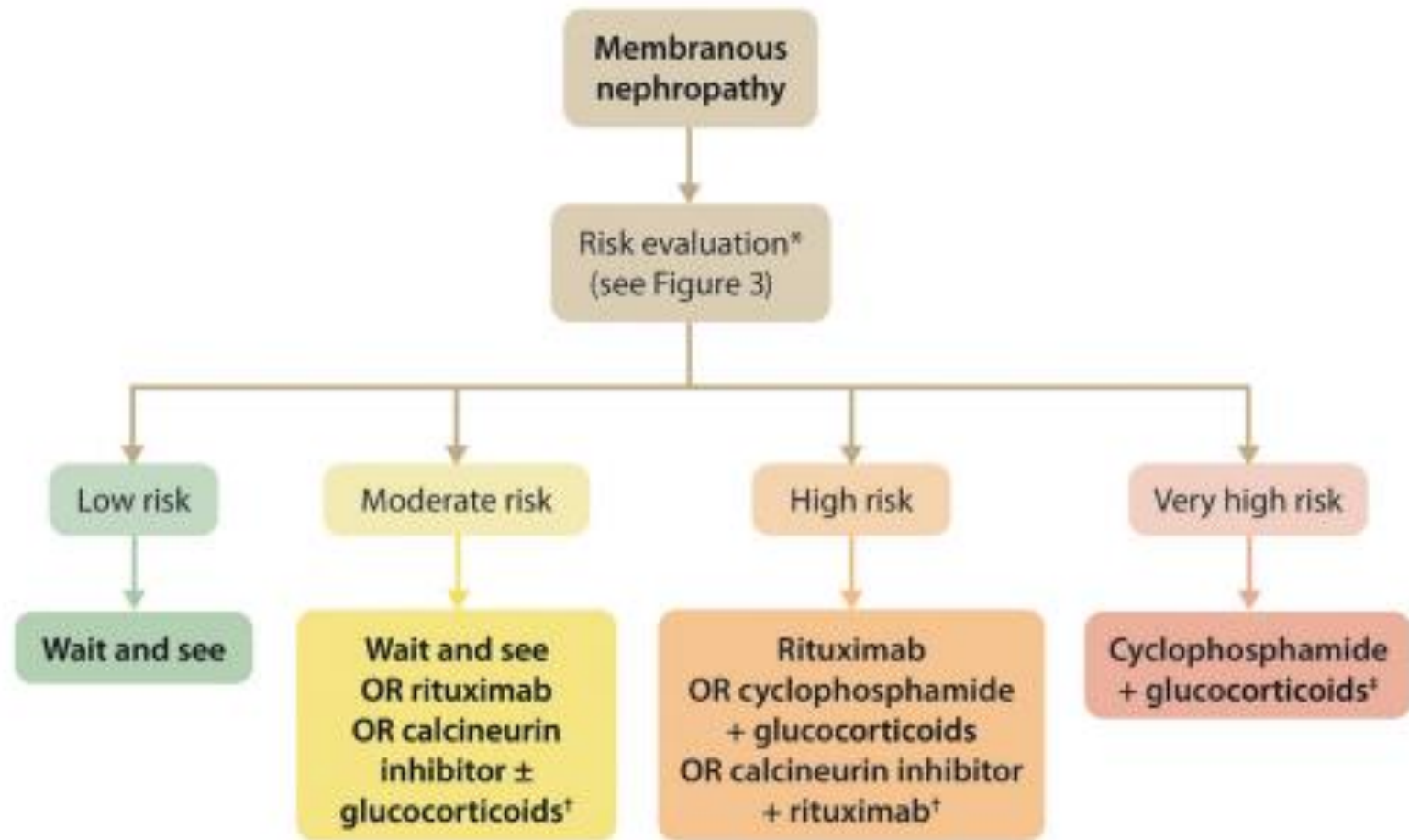
Figure 3. Proteinuria and serum albumin over time. Data are presented as median (IQR) over time, by assigned treatment.



This pilot trial found no signal of more benefit or harm w ritux vs cyclic corticosteroid-cyclophosphamide in MN.

Scolari F, et al RI-Cyclo Investigators JASN 32: 972-982 2021

KDIGO Guidelines for the Treatment of MN



Question 12

You are discussing the current treatments options for IgA Nephropathy with a patient.

Which agents are FDA approved specifically to treat IgAN?

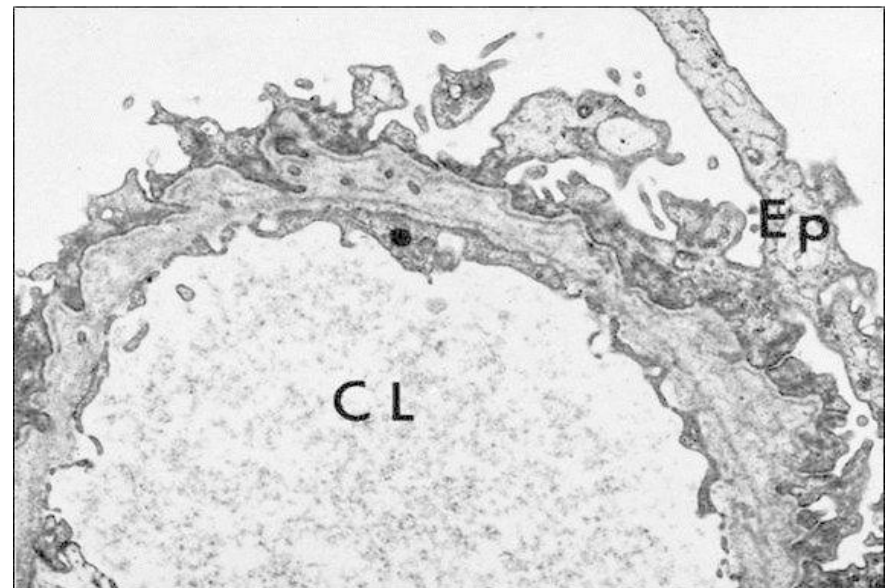
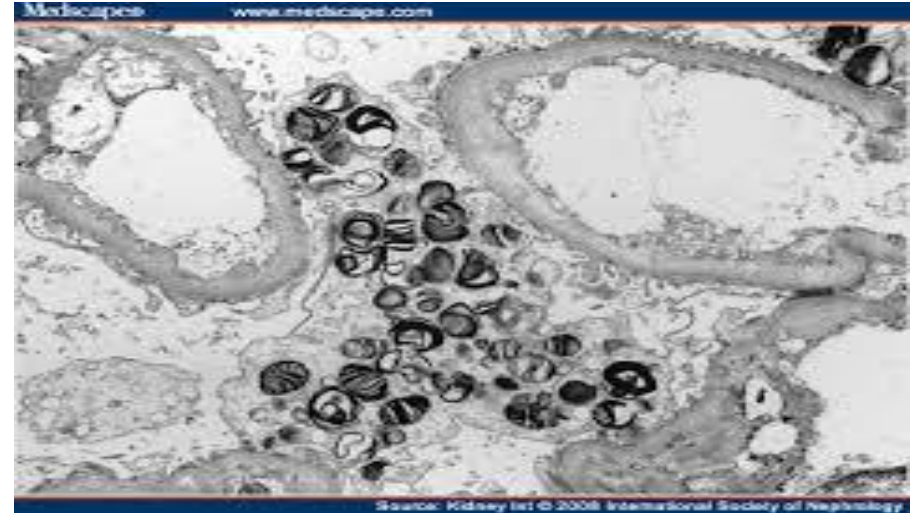
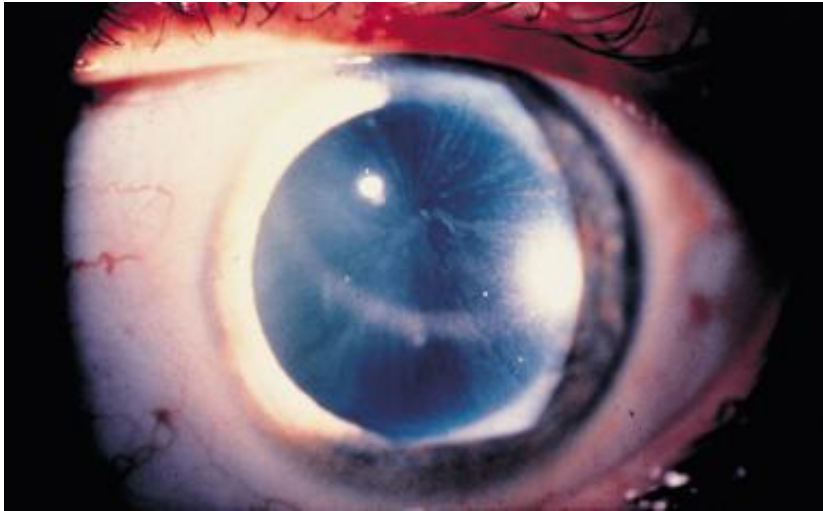
- 1) Sparsentan, Atrasentan, and Mycophenolate
- 2) Obinituzumab , Iptacopan, and Mycophenolate
- 3) Targeted Release budesonide, Iptacopan, and Atrasentan
- 4) Targeted release budesonide, Sparsentan and Mycophenolate

Question 13

22 yo M is seen with a creatinine of 1.8 mg/dl and 2.4 gram proteinuria/day . On physical examination he has the following skin changes.



A 22 yo M creatinine of 1.8 mg/dl and 2.4 g/d prot.
Which would **NOT** be typical findings in this patient?

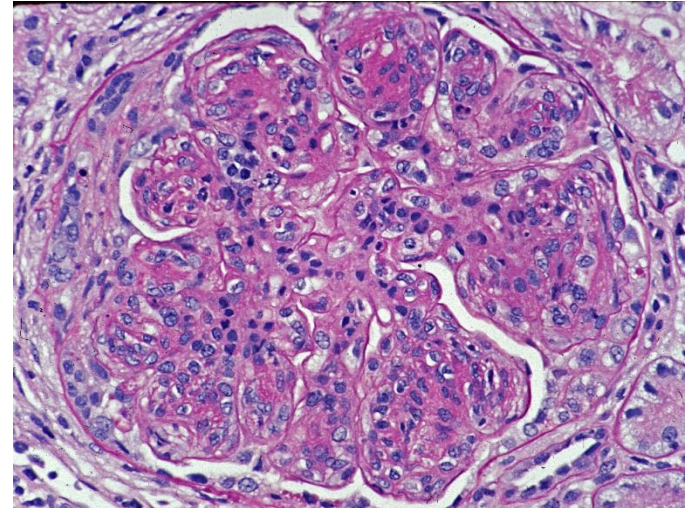


Question 14

A 59 yo M with a 2 yr history of proteinuria and hematuria has this biopsy.

Which is NOT likely to be found with this lesion?

- 1) +SPEP and + UPEP
- 2) +C3 Nephritic Factor
- 3) Low C3 level
- 4) +anti-PLA2R

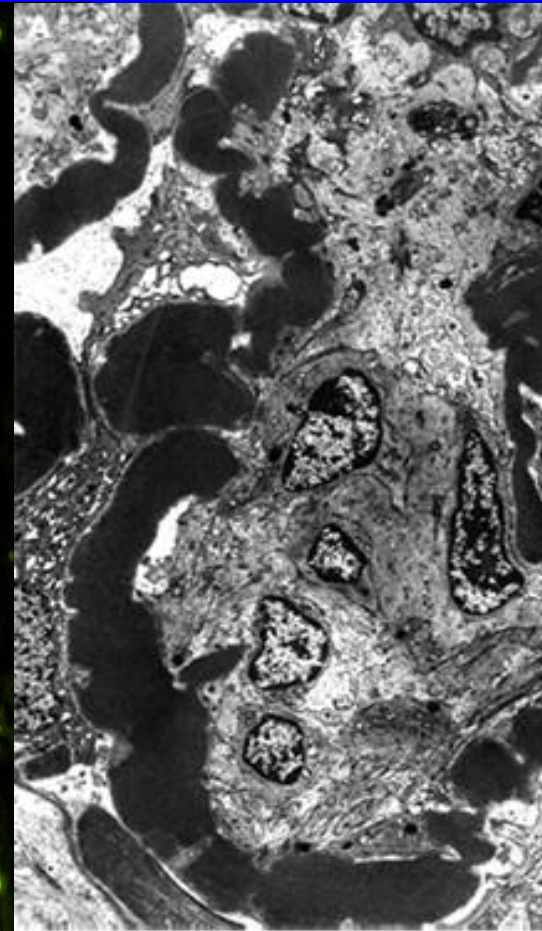
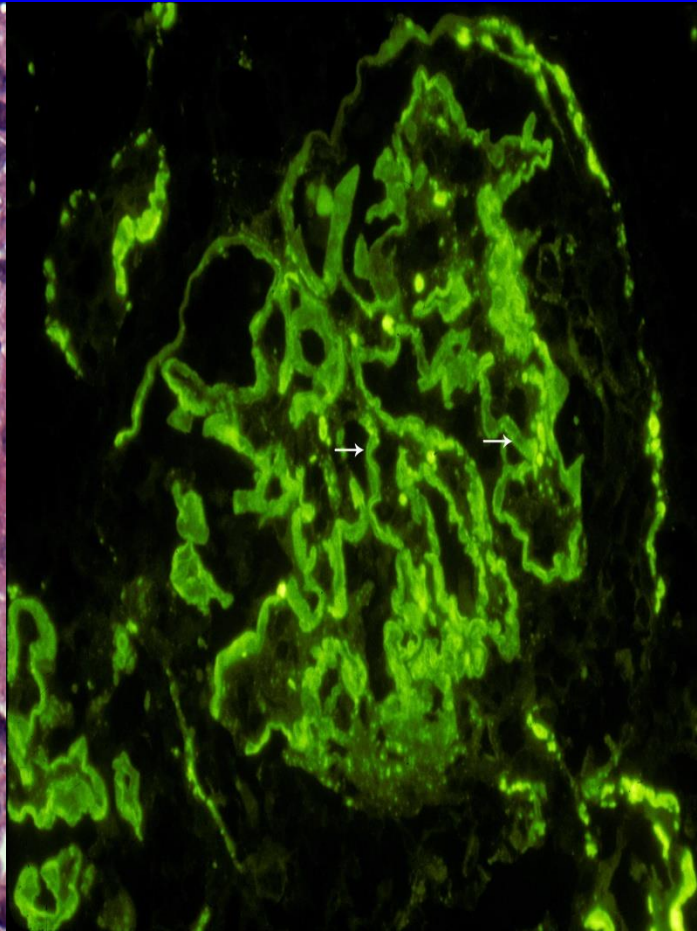
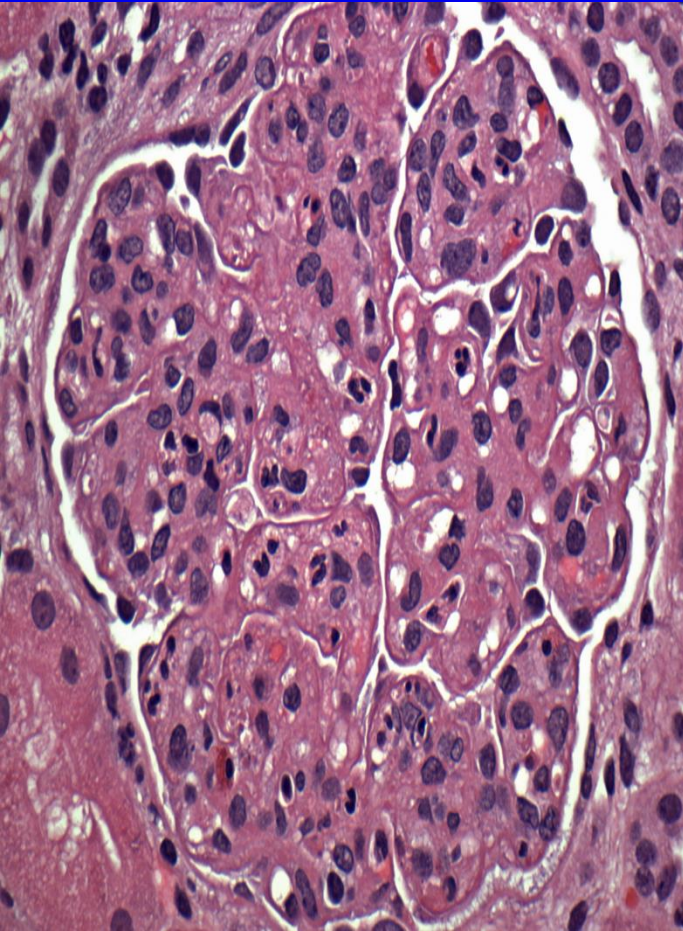


Dense Deposit Disease

LM - MPGN

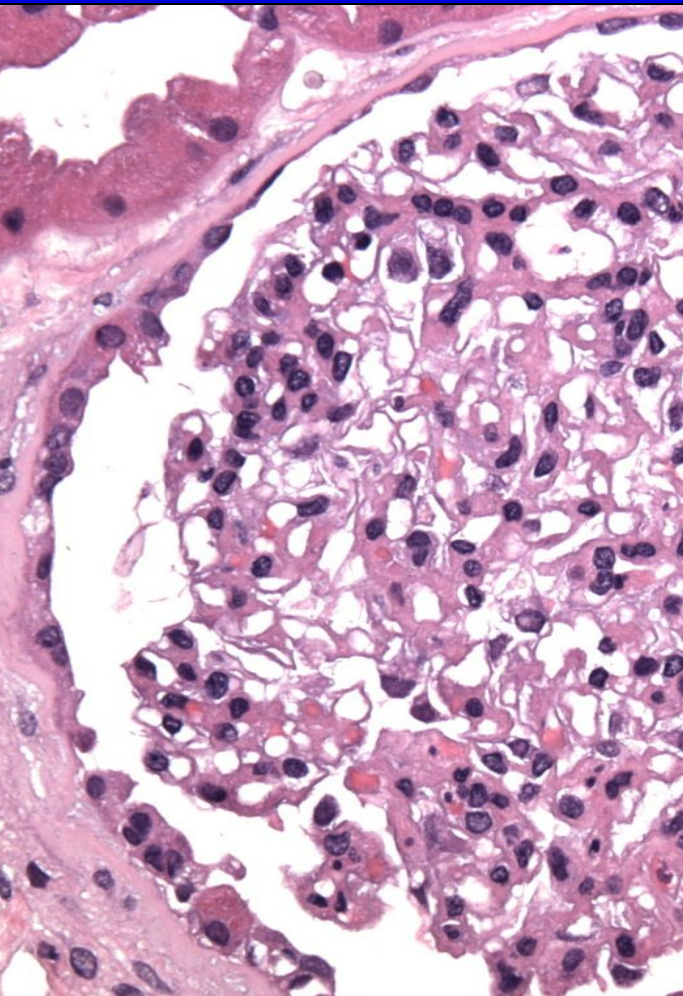
IF C3

EM GBM

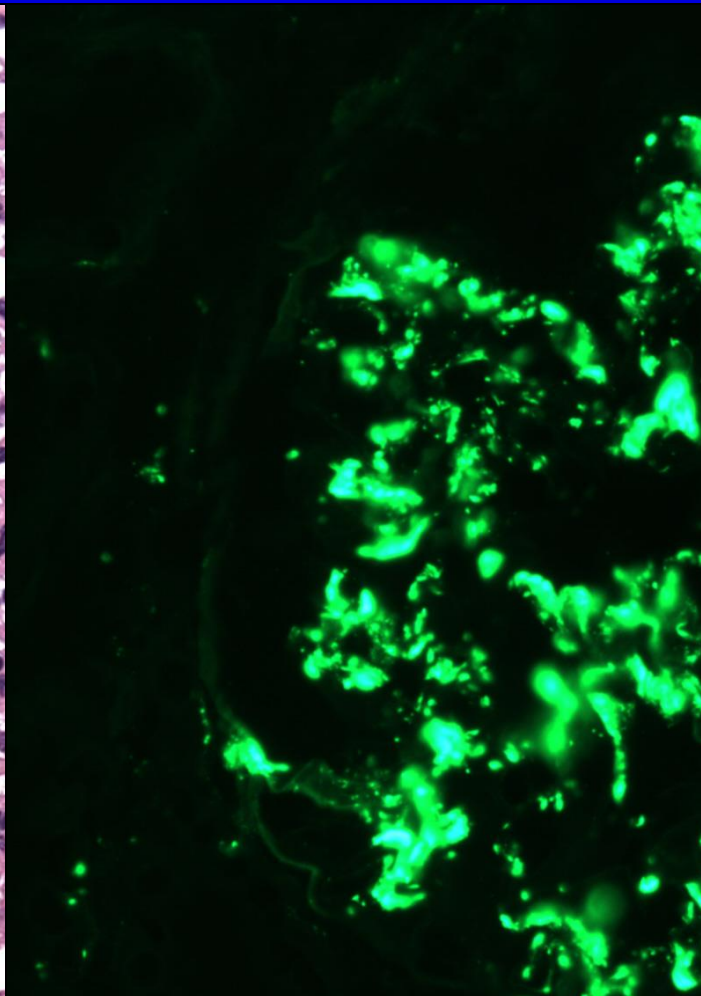


C3 Glomerulonephritis

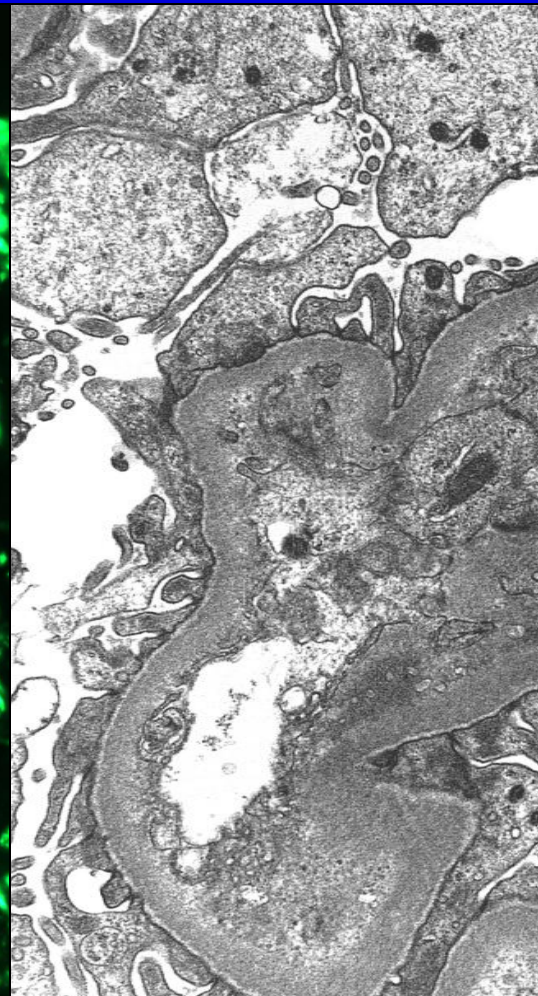
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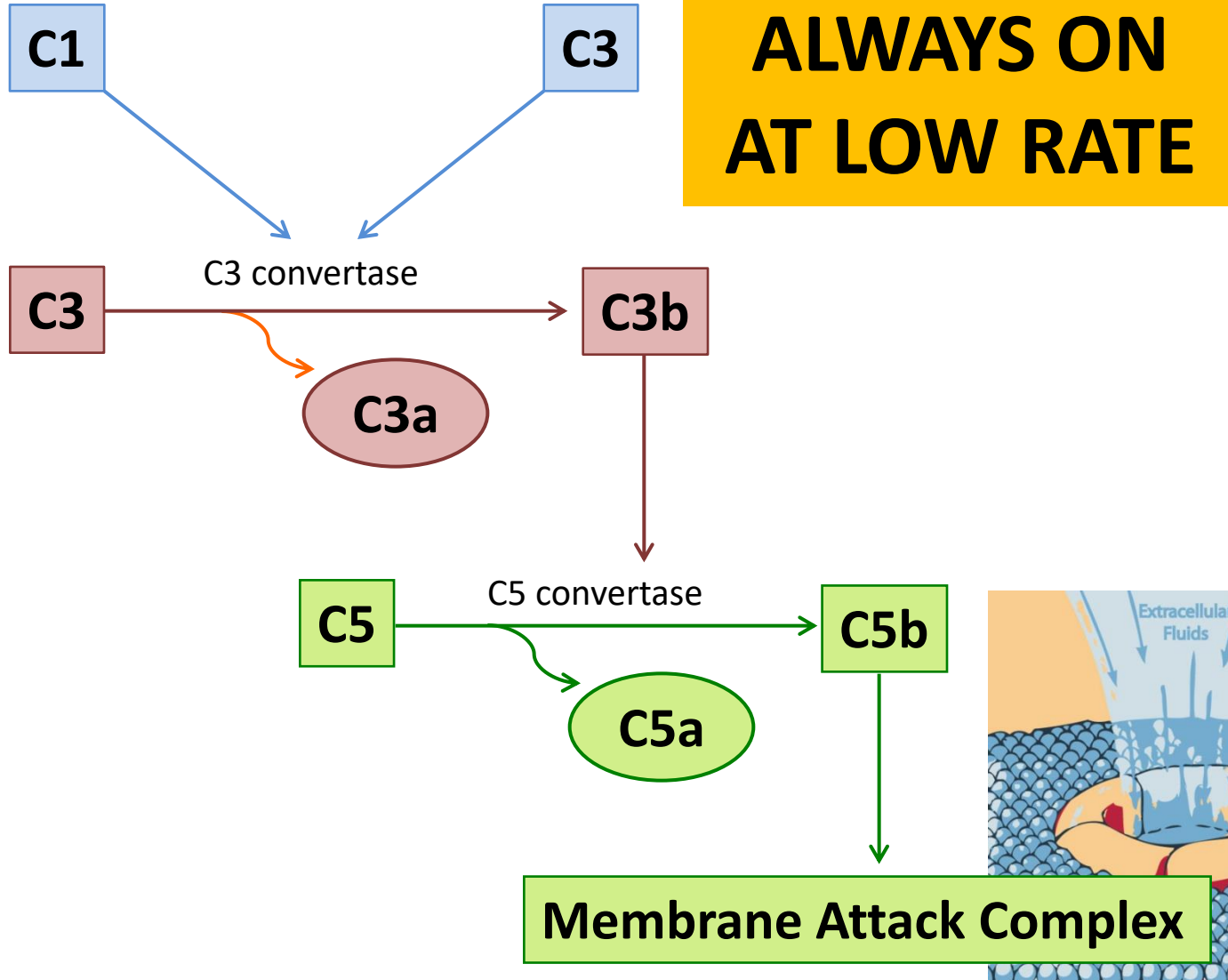
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Complement Pathway

Classical

Alternative



C3 Glomerulopathy with monoclonal Ig is a distinct subtype

Ravindran A, Fervenza F, Smith R, Sethi S. Kidney Int 94: 178-186, 2018

36 C3G with monoclonal spikes vs 59 w/o monoclonal

Table 1 | Clinical and laboratory findings

Data variable	C3G with monoclonal Ig, N = 36	C3G without monoclonal Ig, N = 59
Age at diagnosis (yr)	Average age 60 yo, 70% Male.	n: 28 4–84 (47.5%)
Sex (M/F)		(52.5%)
Race	Mean creatinine 1.9 mg/dl, 89% hematuria on U/A 24 Hr protein 3.0 g/day,	(78.0%) (1.7%) (3.4%) Alaskan Native: 0 (5.1%) 7 (11.9%) Latino: 0 Latino: 51 (86.4%) 8 (13.6%)
Ethnicity	24 Hr protein 3.0 g/day,	n: 18 5.5–72 n: 1.3 1.3–7.9
Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dl)		n: 3.5 1.2–4.5
Serum creatinine at diagnosis		1 (86.4%) 3 (13.6%)
Serum albumin at diagnosis		n: 1.7 1.3–24.2
Hematuria	1/3 low C3 level	n: 21; NA: 37 n: 46; NA: 13 n: 15; NA: 42 n: 6; NA: 53 n: 50; NA: 2 n: 43; NA: 12 n: 36; NA: 22 n: 35; NA: 24
Proteinuria (g/24 h)		n: 30; NA: 1
Immunology		
Anti-GBM antibody		
ANCA/PR-3/MPO		
Antistreptolysin		
Anti-DNAse B		
ANA		
Anti-ds DNA		
Cryoglobulins		
Cryofibrinogen		
Complement		
C3		

Most MGRS (77%) some MM (14%),
smoldering MM (6%), CLL (6%) ,
cryos(3%).

APPEAR-C3G trial: How effective is iptacopan in treating patients with C3G?

KidneyNews

Phase 3 trial



Randomized, multicenter, double-blind study



Age >18 years
N = 74



Patients with biopsy-proven C3 glomerulopathy (C3G)

Intervention

Placebo versus Iptacopan



versus (1:1)

6 months

Open label
All on iptacopan



6 months

Results

58.1% Completed 12 months' treatment at data cutoff.

In the iptacopan arm



Statistically significant reduction in 24-hour UPCR at 6 months, sustained up to 12 months
35.1% (one-sided; $p = 0.0014$; 95% CI: 13.8%–51.1%)



Sustained improvement in composite renal endpoint ($\geq 50\%$ reduction UPCR + $\leq 15\%$ reduction in eGFR at 12 months)
43.5% (iptacopan versus placebo); **25.0%** (switched to iptacopan)



Improvement in eGFR trajectory compared with historical eGFR decline



Favorable safety profile

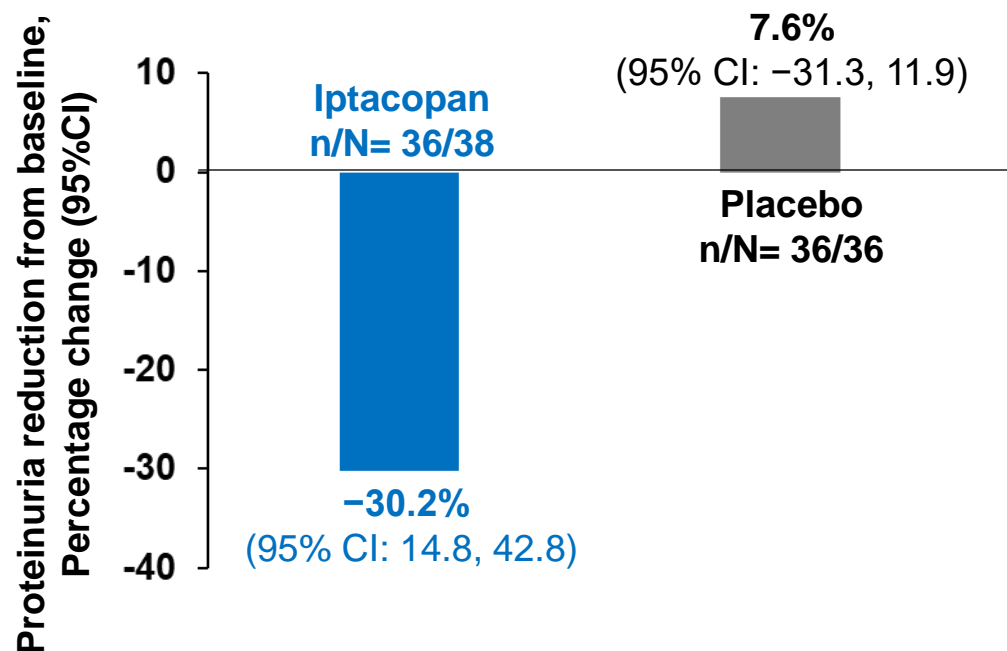
CI, confidence interval.

Conclusions: Iptacopan demonstrated a significant and clinically meaningful proteinuria reduction on top of supportive care at 6 months and sustained up to 12 months in patients with C3G and was well tolerated with a favorable safety profile.

Nester CM, et al. **Efficacy and Safety of Iptacopan in Patients With C3 Glomerulopathy: 12-Month Results From the Phase 3 APPEAR-C3G Study [Abstract].** *J Am Soc Nephrol* 2024; 35(10S):SA-OR66. doi: 10.1681/ASN.2024f5gka890

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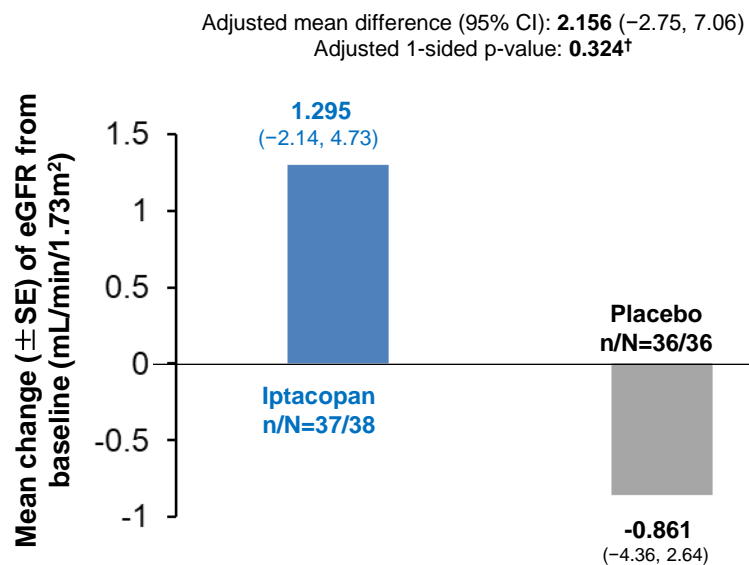
Iptacopan achieved a statistically significant and clinically meaningful reduction in 24h-UPCR at Month 6



Relative percent reduction between iptacopan and placebo at Month 6 (95% CI):
35.1%; 1-sided p-value: 0.0014

Full analysis set. Note that there was one intercurrent event of increasing corticosteroid dose on Day 106 in the iptacopan group. Robustness of primary endpoint results demonstrated by consistency of results across sensitivity analyses. CI, confidence interval; N, number of all participants included in the analysis (with non-missing baseline and covariates); n, number of participants with values non-missing and not imputed as per intercurrent event handling strategy at designate visit; UPCR, urine protein-creatinine ratio.

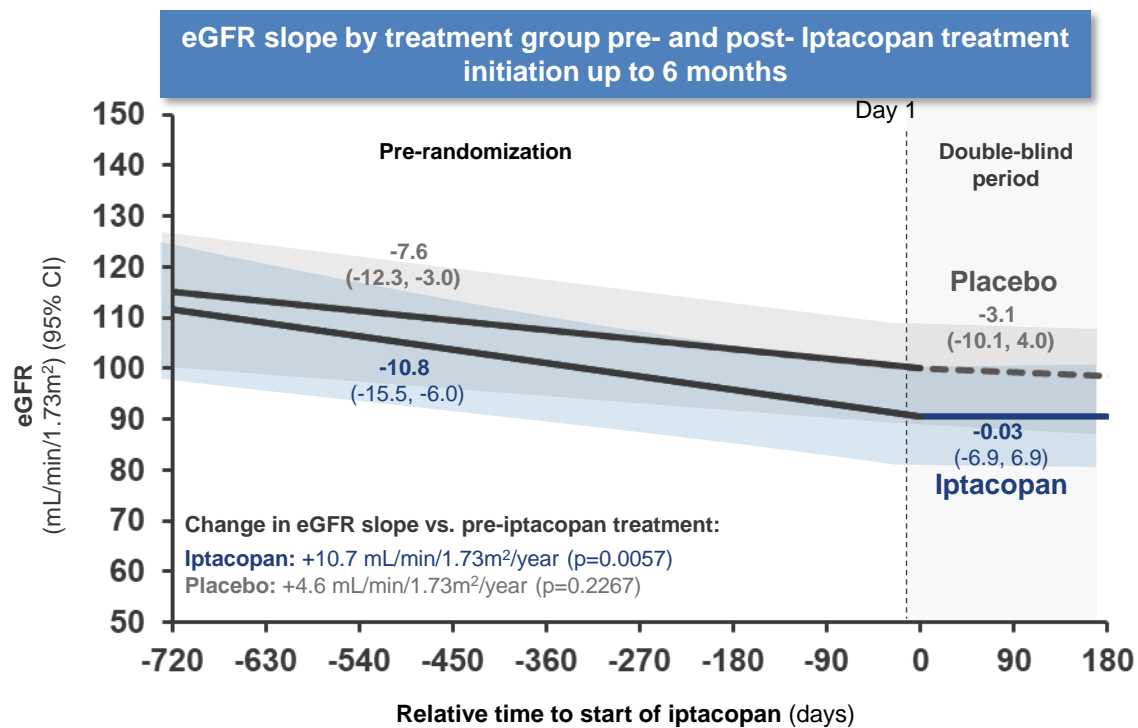
A numerical improvement in eGFR was observed in the iptacopan compared to placebo arm at 6 Months



- The improvement in eGFR with iptacopan treatment was observed as early as Day 30 and continued up to 6 months compared to placebo arm

[†]Adjusted for multiplicity. Numerical improvement; not statistically significant

b.i.d; twice daily; CI, confidence interval; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate^{*}; N, number of all participants included in the analysis (with non-missing baseline and covariates); n, number of participants with observed values (non-missing and not imputed as per intercurrent event handling strategy at designate visit); SE, standard error;



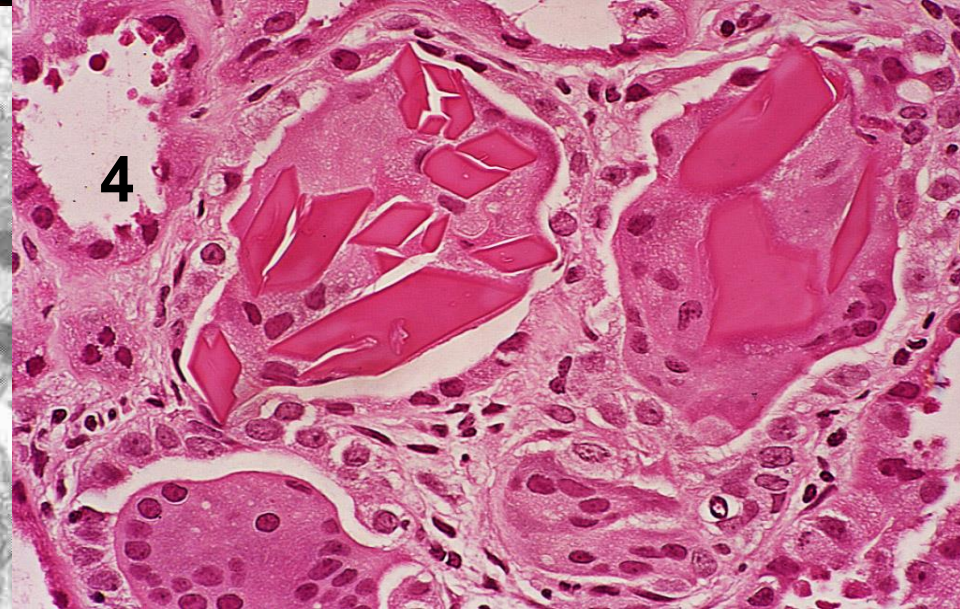
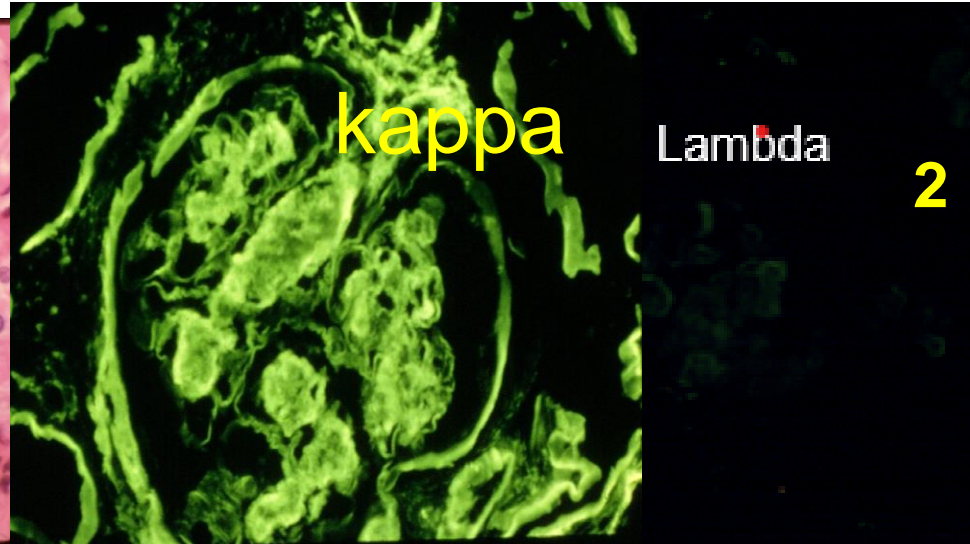
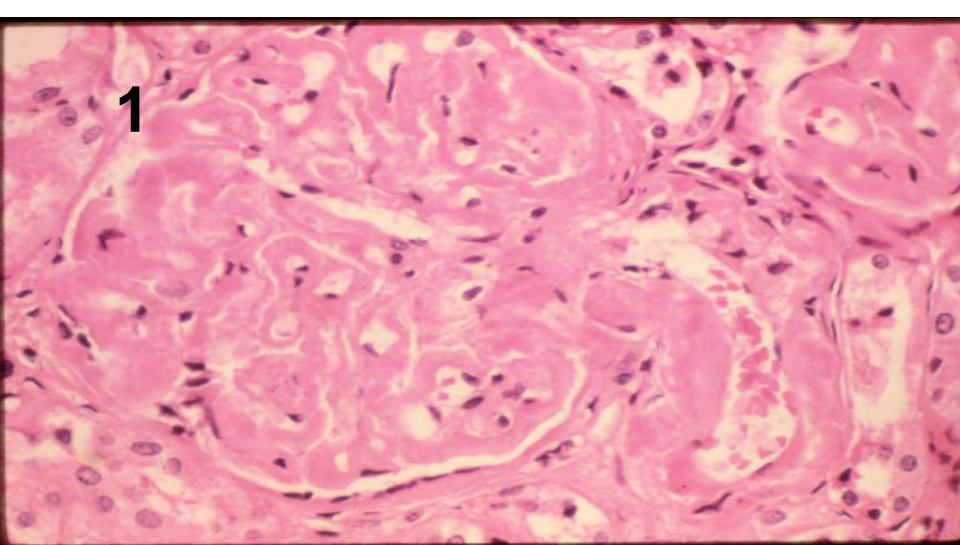
Question 15

A 62 yo is evaluated for proteinuria and edema.

- Px BP 142/84, Cor S1S2 S4 G, Chest clear, Abd no LKKS, ext 2-3+ pedal edema
- Lab. BUN 12, Pcreat 0.7 mg/dl, Urine dipstick in office 4+ prot, 2+ heme, 24 hr urine protein 4.2 g/d,
- ANA , complement , Hep B-C and HIV neg
- Speg 1.8 g IgG kappa, Palb 2.2 g/dl

Question 15

A Kidney Biopsy is least likely to show which of the Following ?



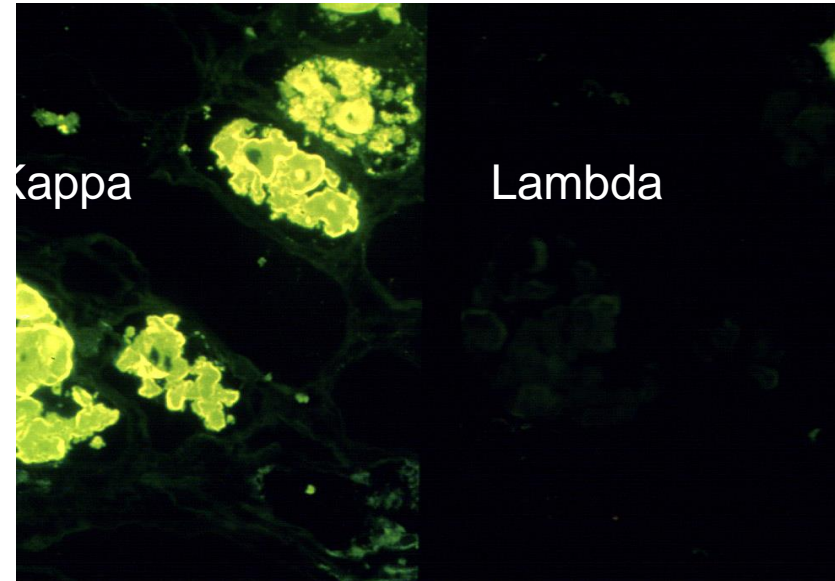
Clinical Pearls about MGRS

1. Lambda or Kappa IF staining without the other light chain.

Think monoclonal disease.

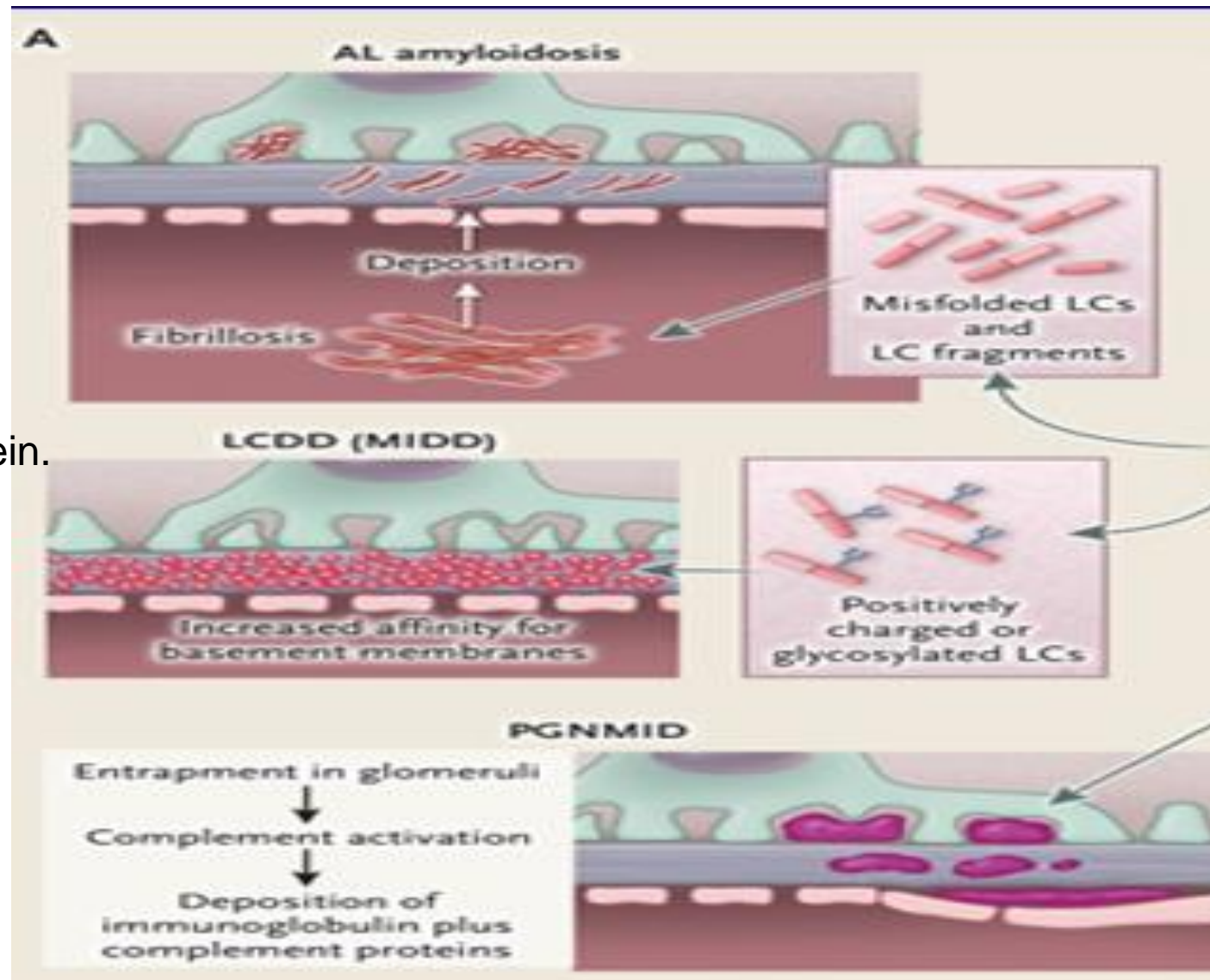
2. Light chains minimally affect the urinary dipstick protein. Tr-1+ dipstick and heavy proteinuria on the 24 hr or Up/Ucr.

Think urinary light chains.



Light Chain and light chain Fragments in Glomeruli

Leung N, Bridoux F, Nasr SH NEJM 384: 1931-1941,2021



AL Amyloid, LCDD,
And PGNMID all
Are associated with
glomerular proteinuria
and albuminuria. All
Give + dipstick for protein.

LC cast nephropathy
often does not.