# Why PD?

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# Show of hands

- Dialysis
- Inpatient
- Outpatient
- Both
- PD program

# **Objectives**

- Develop an appreciation for the need for PD as an option for dialysis patients
- Understand the current data regarding clinical outcomes in PD compared to HD
- Understand the current data regarding patient experience and quality of life
- Review some keys to success for an effective PD program

#### Outline

- PD as an option
- Clinical outcomes in PD
  - Mortality
  - Residual kidney function
- Patient Experience/Quality of Life
  - Employment
  - Special patient situations
- Keys to success

# Why PD? In short, we need options

#### **Present Day**

- In center hemodialysis
- Home hemodialysis
- Peritoneal dialysis
- Transplant

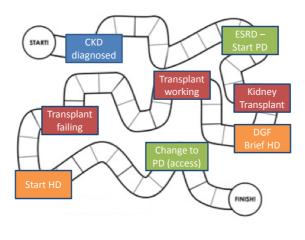
#### The future

- Implantable artificial kidney
- Transplant with immune tolerance
- Xenotransplantation
- Regenerative medicine

# The Future of Kidney Care



# The life of a kidney patient

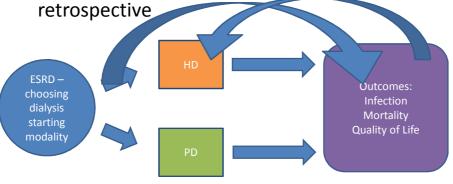


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# Clinical outcomes

- Difficult to randomize patients to dialysis modality
- Many of the studies comparing PD to HD are



# Mortality

- Challenges:
  - Comparing equal case-mix
    - More favorable clinical conditions for PD patients
      - Residual kidney function
      - Education/socioeconomics
      - Pre-dialysis care
  - Comparing patients on equal starting ground
    - HD patients starting with tunneled catheter are at a disadvantage

### Mortality

Hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis are associated with similar outcomes for end-stage renal disease treatment in Canada

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#### HD and PD survival in Canada

- 35,265 prevalent RRT patients in 2007
- PD: 11.0%
- HD: 48.9%
- Reasons for low PD:
  - Historical survival studies
  - Changes in nephrology fellowship training less comfortable with PD
  - Increasing prevalence of diabetic patients
  - Rising availability of HD units

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#### HD and PD survival in Canada

- Studied patients who started HD or PD over 3 periods:
  - 1991-1995
  - 1996-2000
  - -2001-2004
- Collected data from a Canadian health registry from 1991-2007 (17 years)
- Analyses:
  - Intent to Treat: modality at 90 days is assigned
  - As Treated: death attributed to modality at the time

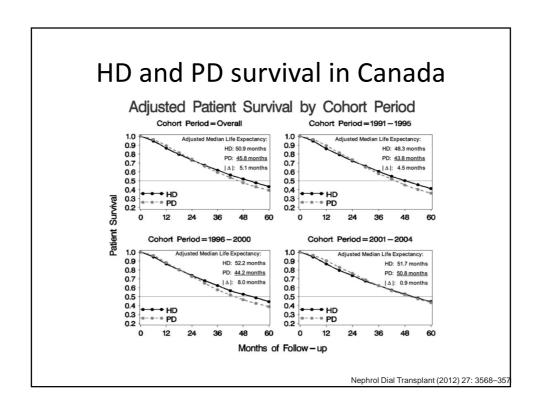
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#### HD and PD survival in Canada

Table 2. Adjusted HRs (PD:HD) under a PHs model<sup>a</sup>

Group	HR ITT (95% CI)	HR AT (95% CI)
Overall (1991–2004)	1.08 (1.04–1.11)**	1.08 (1.05–1.11)**
1991–95	1.08 (1.02-1.15)*	1.10 (1.03–1.17)*
1996-2000	1.13 (1.07-1.20)**	1.15 (1.08–1.22)**
2001-04	0.99 (0.92-1.06) <sup>NS</sup>	0.98 (0.92-1.05) <sup>NS</sup>

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#### HD and PD survival in Canada

Table 3. Adjusted HRs (PD:HD) under a PHs model results by type of patient and age<sup>a</sup>

Patient type	Age	HR ITT (95% CI)	HR AT (95% CI)
Non-DM	18-44	0.75 (0.57–0.99)*	0.70 (0.53-0.93)*
	45-64	$0.90 (0.79-1.01)^{NS}$	0.85 (0.75-0.96)*
	65+	1.05 (0.98-1.12) <sup>NS</sup>	1.04 (0.97–1.11) <sup>NS</sup>
DM	18-44	$0.99 (0.81-1.23)^{NS}$	0.91 (0.74-1.12) <sup>NS</sup>
	45-64	1.11 (1.02-1.22)*	1.20 (1.09-1.31)**
	65+	1.19 (1.11-1.29)**	1.26 (1.16-1.36)**

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>NS, not significant (P > 0.05).

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<sup>\*</sup>P-value < 0.05, \*\*P-value < 0.001.

#### HD and PD survival in Canada

- In this cohort, <u>younger non-diabetics</u> saw a survival advantage on <u>PD</u>
- In this cohort, <u>older diabetics</u> saw a survival advantage on <u>HD</u>
- May be a survival advantage to PD during first
   1-2 years
- Improvement in PD survival in more recent patients may be due to improvements in care

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#### Mortality

Survival of propensity matched incident peritoneal and hemodialysis patients in a United States health care system

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#### Survival PD & HD in US

- Kaiser Permanente Southern California ESRD registry
- 11,301 patients initiated dialysis between 2001 and 2013
  - 10,298 HD; 1003 PD
- Included only patients registered in kidney database for 1 year prior to initiation
- Excluded patients using CVC in first 90 days

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#### Survival PD & HD in US

- Matched each PD patient to an HD patient in the cohort based on:
  - Age
  - Sex
  - Race
  - Primary cause of ESRD
  - Year of initiation of dialysis
  - Charlson comorbidity index

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# Survival PD & HD in US

Table 2 | Baseline patient demographics for propensity score-matched PD and HD patients (1003 pairs)

	PD (n = 1003)	HD (n = 1003)	Standardized differences <sup>a</sup>
Mean age in years	57.4 ± 14.2	58.4 ± 13.6	0.08
Males (%)	543 (54.1)	543 (54.1)	0
Mean CCI	$3.6 \pm 1.6$	$3.5 \pm 1.5$	0.003
Race (%)			0
African American	143 (14.3)	143 (14.2)	
Hispanic	272 (27.1)	272 (27.1)	
Asian	142 (14.2)	142 (14.2)	
Other/unknown	135 (13.4)	135 (13.4)	
White	311 (31.0)	311 (31.0)	
Cause of ESRD (%)			0
Cystic kidney disease	55 (5.5)	55 (5.5)	
Glomerulonephritis	156 (15.6)	156 (15.6)	
Hypertension	184 (18.3)	184 (18.3)	
Diabetes mellitus	486 (48.5)	486 (48.5)	
Other	70 (7.0)	70 (7.0)	
Other urologic	13 (1.3)	13 (1.3)	
Unknown/missing	39 (3.9)	39 (3.9)	

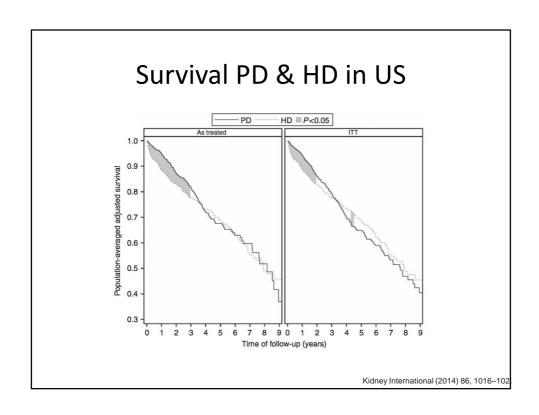
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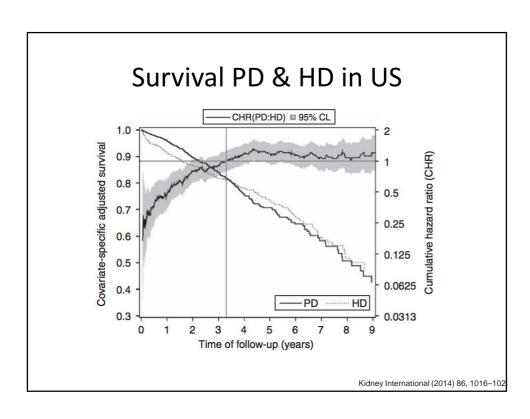
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Neighborhood family income			− <b>0.06</b>
per year (%)			
\$0-\$25,000	34 (3.4)	31 (3.2)	1
\$25,001-\$40,000	169 (17.1)	190 (19.	4)
\$40,001-\$60,000	295 (29.8)	294 (29.	9)
\$60,001-\$80,000	240 (24.2)	248 (25.	3)
>\$80,000	252 (25.5)	219 (22.	3)
Neighborhood education level <sup>b</sup> (%	)		- 0.06
< 50% with HS education or higher	138 (13.9)	151 (15.	4)
50–75% with HS education or higher	315 (31.8)	325 (33.	1)
>75% with HS education or higher	537 (54.2)	506 (51.	5)

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#### Survival PD & HD in US

- PD was associated with a survival advantage over the first 2-3 years
- After this time, no statistical difference in survival was seen
- Strengths of this study include a well matched population that received good pre-dialysis care and started with a long term access
- Early survival advantage may relate to preservation of residual kidney function in early years

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#### **Residual Kidney Function**

Predictors of the rate of decline of residual renal function in incident dialysis patients

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#### Predictors of RKF decline

- Netherlands (Netherlands Co-operative Study on the Adequacy of Dialysis phase 2 – NECOSAD-2).
- New ESRD patients from 32 dialysis units
- Initial GFR > 1 mL/min/1.73m2

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#### Predictors of RKF decline

- Residual kidney GFR = mean Creatinine and Urea clearances from 24 hour urine
- Hypotensive episodes on HD defined as hypotension requiring fluid resuscitation
- Data collected prospectively for 12 months

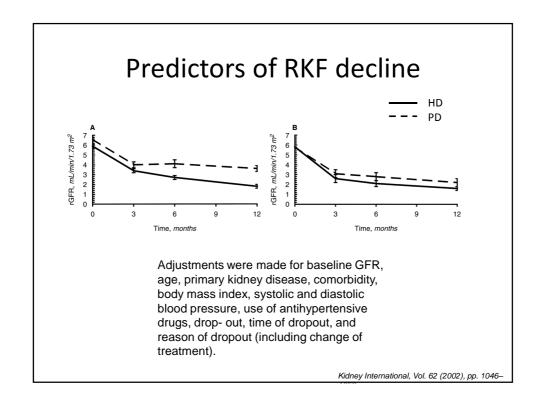
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#### Predictors of RKF decline Table 1. Baseline characteristics HD PD 279 62 (14) 59 243 53 (15)<sup>a</sup> Number Age years Sex % male Primary kidney disease % Diabetes 19 14 17 13 56 Renovascular Glomerulonephritis 13 14 54 Other

Davies risk score % No comorbidity 45 44 11 74 25.0 (4.3) 150 (24) 82 (13) 55<sup>t</sup> 39 6 87<sup>a</sup> Intermediate comorbidity
Severe comorbidity
Use of antihypertensives % Use of antihypertensives of BMI kg/m²
Systolic BP mm Hg
Diastolic BP mm Hg
Plasma urea mmol/L
Plasma creatinine \( \mu \) mol/L
Serum albumin \( g/L \)
Urine production \( L/day \)
Protein \( \mu \) g/d/d 87<sup>a</sup>
24.6 (3.8)
146 (23)
86 (12)<sup>a</sup>
33.1 (8.9)<sup>a</sup>
763 (239)
37.9 (6.0)
6.4 (2.4)<sup>d</sup>
1.9 (0.6)<sup>c</sup>
4.1 (4.5) 36.6 (10.4) 767 (265) 37.4 (6.9) 5.9 (2.8) 1.8 (0.7) Proteinuria g/day 4.0 (4.1)

Values are given as means (SD) or %.  $^{\circ}P < 0.001, ^{\circ}P = 0.03, ^{\circ}P = 0.02, ^{\circ}P = 0.04$  for patients starting with peritoneal dialysis vs. patients starting with hemodialysis

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### Predictors of RKF decline

**Table 3.** Effect of hypotensive episodes on rGFR at three months in HD patients at different levels of adjustment

HD patients: hypotensive episodes	$\beta \pm SE^a$	P
Model 1; Adjusted for baseline GFR	$-0.94 \pm 0.32$	0.003
Model 2; Adjusted for 1, and for age, sex, PKD, and comorbidity	$-0.95 \pm 0.32$	0.004
Model 3; Adjusted for 1, 2, and for dialysis Kt/V <sub>urea</sub> at 3 months	$-0.76 \pm 0.32$	0.02

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm a}\beta$  gives the effect in mL/min/1.73  $m^2$  on rGFR at 3 months

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### Predictors of RKF decline

**Table 4.** Effect of dehydration on rGFR at three months in <u>PD</u> patients at different levels of adjustment

PD patients: underhydration	$\beta \pm S E^a$	P
Model 1; Adjusted for baseline GFR	$-1.93 \pm 0.64$	0.003
Model 2; Adjusted for 1, and for age, sex, PKD, and comorbidity	$-1.94 \pm 0.64$	0.003
Model 3; Adjusted for 1, 2, and for dialysis Kt/V <sub>urea</sub> at 3 months	$-1.84 \pm 0.63$	0.004

 $<sup>^</sup>a\beta$  gives the effect in mL/min/1.73 m $^2$  on rGFR at 3 months

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# RKF decline across studies

Reference	No. patients	GFR baseline HD/PD	GFR 12 months HD/PD	Rate of decline in HD/PD	Difference in rate of decline
	HD/PD	mL/	min	%/month	% <sup>b</sup>
Rottembourg et al [22]	25/25	4.3/4.4	2.1/3.8	6.0/1.2ª	80
Cancarini et al [23]	75/86				
Lysaght et al [24]	57/58	5.0/4.5		5.8/2.9	50
Misra et al [26]	40/103	4.2/5.1		7.0/2.2	69
Lang et al [27]	30/15	7.5/7.4	3.8/6.0	5.8/1.8 <sup>a</sup>	69
Present study	279/243	Unadjusted 5.9/6.4	1.9/3.5	9.4/5.0 <sup>a</sup>	47
		Adjusted: 5.1/5.8	1.4/2.2	10.7/8.1ª	24

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# Avoiding a hemodialysis catheter

# Hemodialysis Vascular Access Modifies the Association between Dialysis Modality and Survival

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# **Employment**

# Depressed Mood, Usual Activity Level, and Continued Employment after Starting Dialysis

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# Mood and employment on dialysis

- Comprehensive Dialysis Study (CDS)
- Prospective cohort study sampling patients from 335 facilities in the U.S.
- 1643 patients interviewed by phone
- Mean time on dialysis = 4 months

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#### Mood and employment on dialysis

- Asked the following questions:
  - Were you working for pay at any time the year before you started dialysis?
  - Are you now working for pay? If yes, what type of work?
  - Are you receiving disability benefits?
- Education level
- Depression screening (PHQ-2) (higher = depressed)
- Human activity profile (HAP) (higher = more active)

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# Mood and employment on dialysis

 $\textit{Table 2}. \ Employment \ status \ approximately \ 4 \ months \ after \ dialysis \ start \ of \ CDS \ participants \ who \ worked \ in \ the \ year \ before \ dialysis \ (n=585)$ 

Parameter	Working Now Full or Part Time $(n = 191)$	Not Working Now $(n = 394)$	P
Age (years; mean ± SD)	53.5 ± 13.4	53.0 ± 13.5	0.69
Male (%)	64.4	58.1	0.19
Black (%)	27.8	38.8	0.04
→ Education (%)			0.001
high school or less	35.3	55.6	
at least some college	64.7	44.4	
EGH insurance (%)	68.1	31.2	< 0.0001
Receiving disability income (%)	14.1	50.9	< 0.0001
Diabetes (%)	39.8	48.0	0.11
Not able to ambulate or transfer (%)	0.5	1.0	0.56
COPD (%)	3.7	4.1	0.82
No. of cardiovascular conditions (mean $\pm$ SD)	$0.6 \pm 1.0$	$0.7 \pm 0.9$	0.27
Hemoglobin (g/dl; mean $\pm$ SD)	$10.3 \pm 1.8$	$9.9 \pm 1.9$	0.03
Serum albumin (g/dl; mean $\pm$ SD)	$3.4 \pm 0.6$	$3.1 \pm 0.8$	0.0003
→ HD (%)	81.1	94.1	< 0.0001
→ PHQ-2 score (mean ± SD)	$1.0 \pm 1.5$	$1.8 \pm 1.9$	< 0.0001
AAS (HAP; mean ± SD)	$60.2 \pm 14.8$	$46.1 \pm 18.6$	< 0.000

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# Mood and employment on dialysis

 $\it Table~3$ . Predictors of continued employment among ambulatory CDS participants who worked in the year before dialysis ( $\it n=564$ )

Parameter	OR	95% CI	P
Age	1.01	0.99 to 1.03	0.25
Male	1.36	0.85 to 2.15	0.20
Black	0.91	0.54 to 1.54	0.72
At least some college	1.37	0.84 to 2.24	0.20
EGH insurance	3.25	2.10 to 5.03	< 0.0001
Receiving disability income	0.26	0.14 to 0.47	< 0.0001
Diabetes	0.78	0.48 to 1.27	0.32
COPD	2.19	0.83 to 5.83	0.12
No. of cardiovascular conditions	1.07	0.83 to 1.37	0.60
→ HD	0.39	0.19 to 0.81	0.01
PHQ-2 score	0.87	0.74 to 1.01	0.06
AAS (HAP)	1.04	1.02 to 1.05	< 0.0001

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# **Employment**

#### Employment in the patient with chronic kidney disease related to renal replacement therapy

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# **Employment and RRT**

- 8 hospitals in Spain
- 243 patients on RRT (HD, PD, transplant)
- Surveyed between 2007-2009

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# **Employment and RRT**

Table 1. Patient occupation by tr	eatment type			
	Total	Occupational situation		<i>P</i> -value
		No	Yes	
16-64 years of age	243 (100%)	162 (66.7%)	81 (33.3%)	
Sex				0.006°
- Male	147 (100%)	88 (59.9%)	59 (40.1%)	
- Female	96 (100%)	74 (77.1%)	22 (22.9%)	
Age (years)				
- Median (range)	49 (20-64)	51 (20-64)	44 (23-64)	
- Mean (SD)	47.6 (10.6)	49.6 (10.1)	43.5 (10.5)	< 0.001 <sup>b</sup>
Time on treatment (years)				
- Median (range)	3.0 (0-32)	3.0 (0-32)	3.0 (0-27)	
- Mean (SD)	6.87 (8.02)	7.89 (8.77)	4.84 (5.78)	0.001b
Modality of RRT				0.012
- Haemodialysis	83 (100%)	65 (78.3%)	18 (21.7%)	
- Transplant	82 (100%)	50 (61.0%)	32 (39.0%)	
- Continuous Ambulatory PD	32 (100%)	23 (71.9%)	9 (28.1%)	
- Automated PD	46 (100%)	24 (52.2%)	22 (47.8%)	

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# **Employment and RRT**

		Univariate mode	l .	1	Multivariate mod	lel
	OR	95% CI	P-value	OR	95% CI	P-value
Sex			0.006			0.021
- Male	(Baseline)			(Baseline)		
- Female	0.443	(0.249-0.791)		0.478	(0.256-0.896)	
Age	0.945	(0.920-0.971)	< 0.001	0.944	(0.918-0.971)	< 0.001
Time on treatment	0.946	(0.910-0.985)	0.006	0.946	(0.904-0.990)	0.017
Modality			0.014			0.022
- Haemodialysis	(Baseline)			(Baseline)		
- Transplant	2.311	(1.165-4.585)	0.017	2.481	(1.185-5.194)	0.016
- Continuous ambulatory PD	1.413	(0.557-3.584)	0.467	1.155	(0.421-3.165)	0.780
- Automated PD	3.310	(1.519-7.215)	0.003	2.964	(1.269-6.925)	0.012

Multivariate model controlled for: sex, age, time of treatment, and modality of dialysis

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# **Employment and RRT**

- Actively employed patients usually opt for APD
- Even transplant patients in this study were less active in the workplace than APD patients
- Regulations expecting transplant patients to gain employment may not take into account the challenges they face
  - Looking for a job after several years of incapacity

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# Special patient situations\*

 RS, a 51 year old who works as a gas miner in Minnesota



\*Internet photos: not real patients

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 SD, a 42 year old with developmental delay, told she had no options



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 AS, a 62 year old veteran hoping to retire and travel via RV



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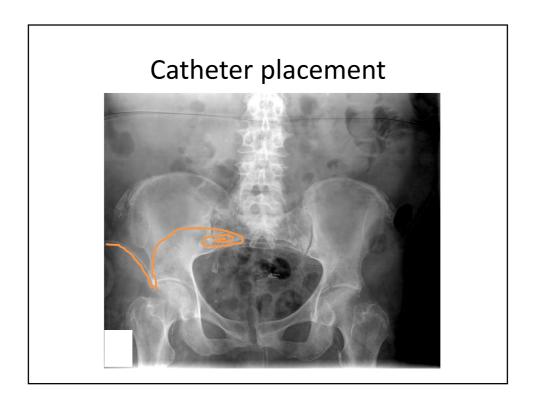
 RL, a 72 year old grandfather with advanced heart disease/CHF and hypotension whose resting blood pressure is 85/40.



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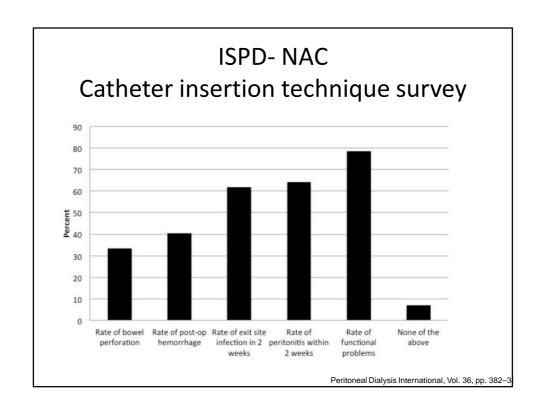
- 82% of 51 centers responded
- Placement techniques:
  - 71% laparoscopic
  - 62% open surgical dissection
  - 10% blind insertion via trocar
  - 29% blind insertion via Seldinger technique
  - 80% had three such options available

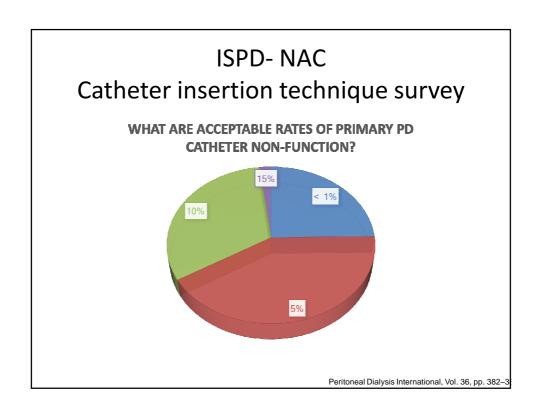
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# ISPD- NAC Catheter insertion technique survey

- Catheter exit types available:
  - 36% buried catheters
  - 43% upper abdominal catheters
  - 41% presternal
- 86% of centers had current quality control in place

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### **ISPD-NAC**

- Currently enrolling for a prospective study of catheter placement and outcomes
- Hopes that this will inform guidelines to improve care across health systems



# Importance of staff and experience

Effect of renal center characteristics on mortality and technique failure on peritoneal dialysis

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- Data from Canadian Organ Replacement Register (CORR)
- All patients beginning therapy from 1981-1997

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Table 4. Rate ratios based on 1990-97 experience and adjusted for comorbidity

		1981-97	1990-97	1990-97 Covariate- and	
Outcome	Characteristic	Covariate-adjusted RR		comorbidity-adjusted RR	95% CI
Mortality	Cumulative number of PD patients treated				
	≤99	1	1	1	_
	100-199	0.95	0.81	0.78	0.67-0.91
	200-299	0.87	0.73	0.71	0.60-0.84
	300-399	0.85	0.69	0.69	0.57-0.83
	400-499	0.80	0.66	0.63	0.51-0.78
	≥500	0.71	0.54	0.51	0.41-0.64
Technique failure	Percentage of patients initiating dialysis on PD				
•	≤29%	1.97	1.67	1.67	1.34-2.07
	30–39%	1.70	1.65	1.65	1.38-1.98
	40-49%	1.71	1.59	1.59	1.35-1.88
	50-59%	1.44	1.30	1.30	1.11-1.52
	≥60%	1	1	1	_

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# Why PD?

# We need options!

You never know when PD will make the journey through the life of a kidney patient more bearable

Your enthusiasm and expertise can make it happen

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