

# Update on Frequent Hemodialysis

Increased Hemodialysis Frequency Versus Increased Dialysis Duration

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# Objectives

- To discuss the rationale of Frequent HD
- To compare short daily HD (frequency) versus nocturnal HD (frequency + duration)

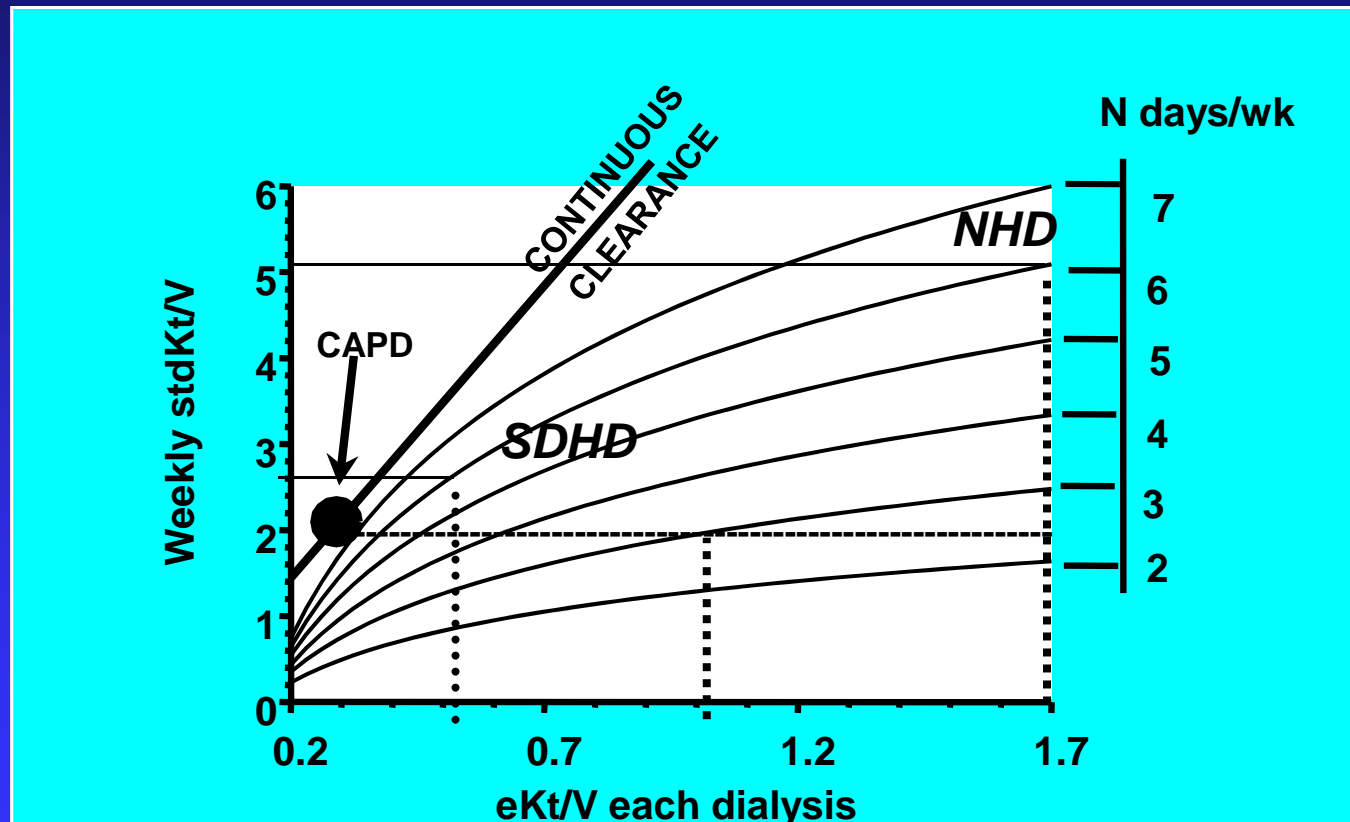
# Possible solutions for poor ESRD Rx outcomes

- *Higher dialysis dose*
  - ◆ *Hemo study – no benefit*
  - ◆ *ADEMEX study – no benefit*
- *Alternative schedules*
  - ◆ *Daily (quotidian HD)*
  - ◆ *Intermittent long HD*
- *Alternative modalities*
  - ◆ *Hemo(dia)filtration*
  - ◆ *Sorbents*
  - ◆ *Other*
- *Address the co-morbidities → RETURN TO NORMAL PHYSIOLOGY*

# Typical Treatment Parameters During Quotidian Hemodialysis

	Conventional HD	Short Daily HD	Nocturnal HD	NxStage HD
Treatments/wk	3	6	5-6	6
Treatment time (hrs)	4	2-3	6-8	2.5-3.5
Blood Flow Rate (ml/min)	400	400	200	400
Dialysate Flow Rate (ml/min)	500	800	300	130

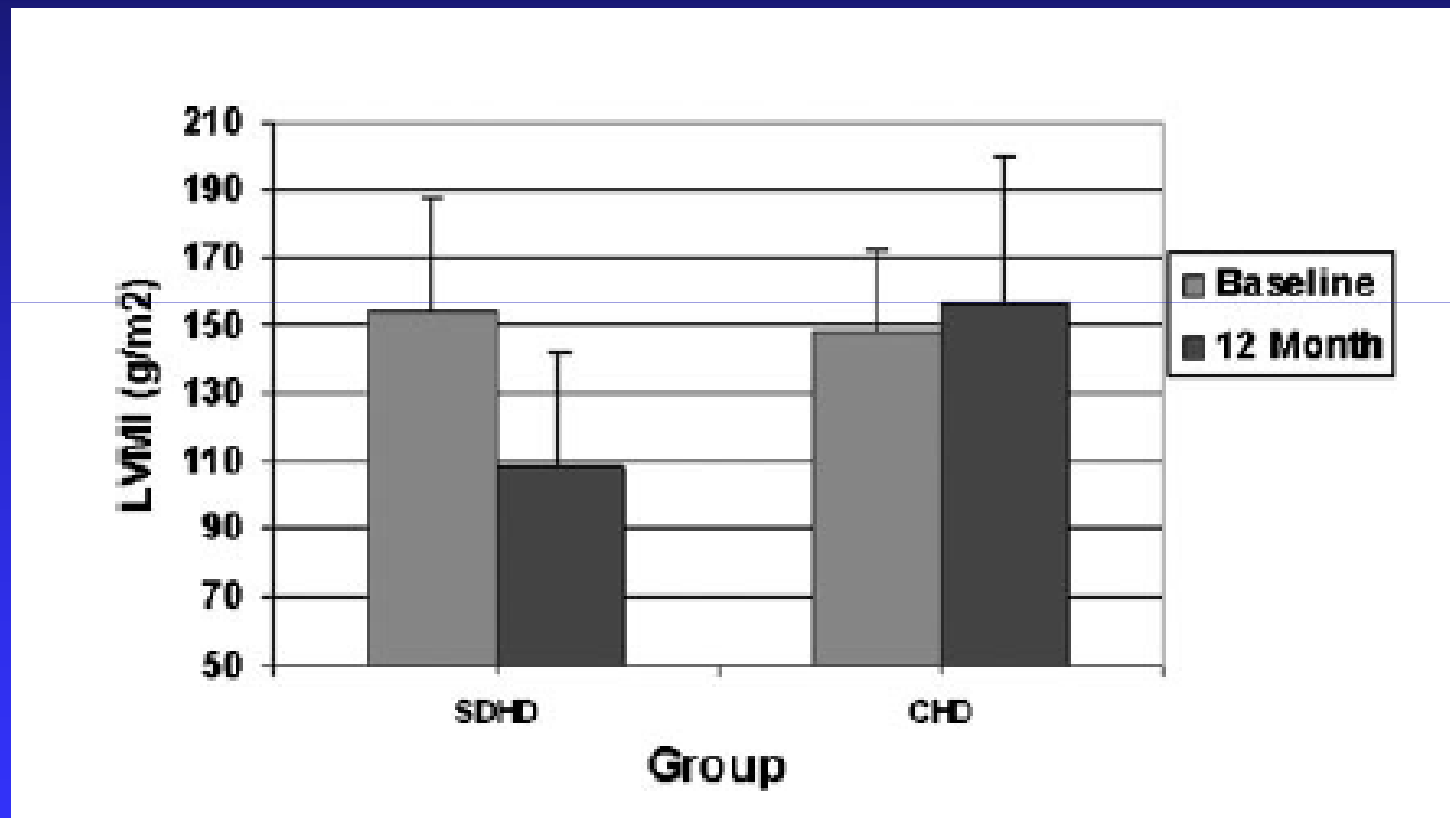
# Weekly $\text{stdKt/V}$ for different $\text{eKt/V}$ and dialysis frequency



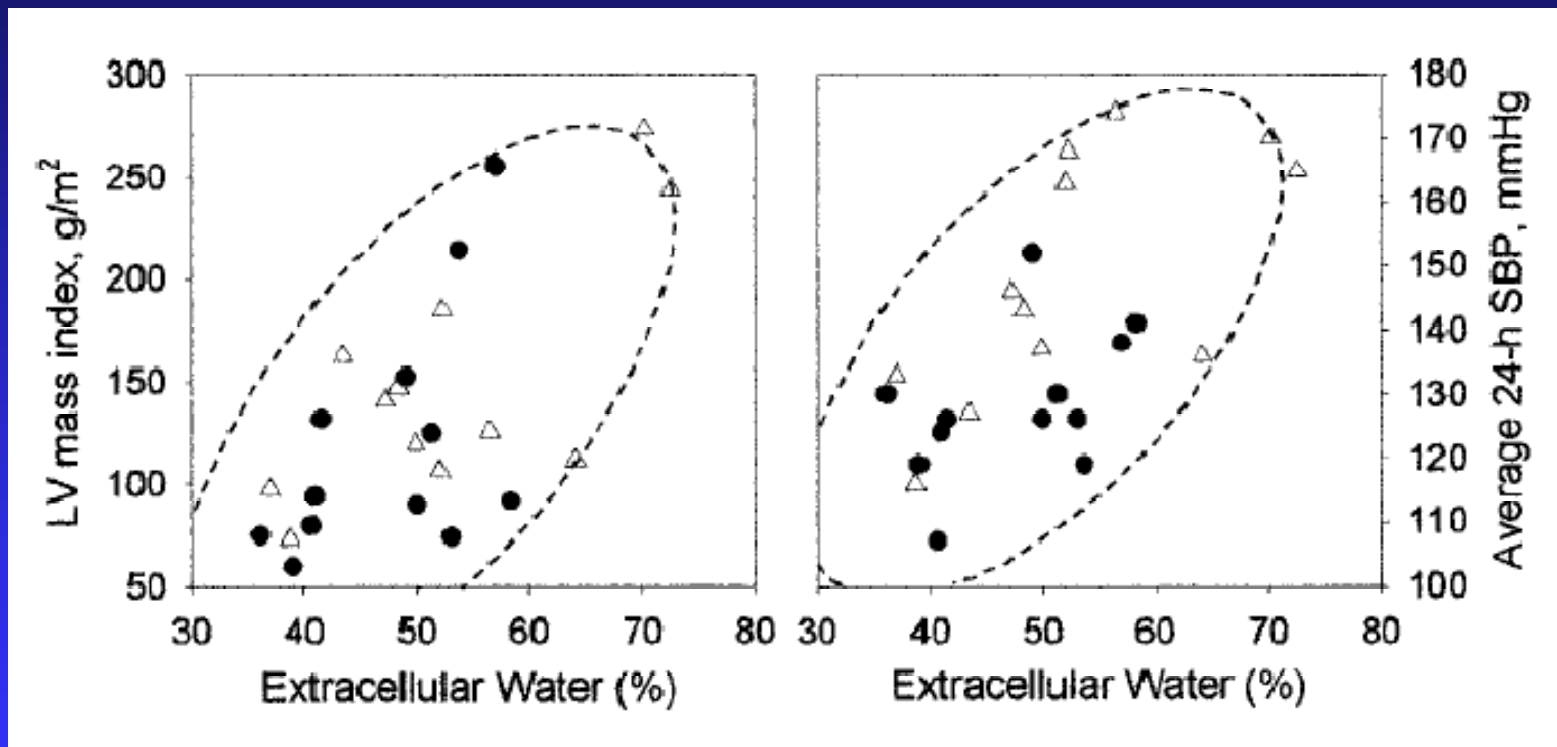
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What are the clinical/physiological effects of frequent HD?

# Reduction in LVMI via SDHD



# Reduction in ECFV -- SDHD





# Impact of long term NHD on LVMI, blood pressure, and anti-hypertensive therapy

Measurements	CHD (n=13)		NHD (n=28)	
	Initial	Final	Initial	Final
LVMI (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	142 ± 33	150 ± 56	147 ± 42	114 ± 40*
SBP (mmHg)	136 ± 25	131 ± 20	146 ± 20	122 ± 13*
DBP (mmHg)	82 ± 13	80 ± 15	84 ± 15	74 ± 12*
PP (mmHg)	54 ± 22	51 ± 17	61 ± 12	49 ± 12*
Anti-BP Meds	1.5	1.5	1.8	0.3*

\* denotes p < 0.05

# Vascular Effects of NHD

	<i>CHD</i>	<i>NHD - 1 month</i>	<i>NHD - 2 months</i>
<i>Resting systolic BP, mm Hg</i>	<b>140±5</b>	<b>124±3*</b>	<b>119±3*</b>
<i>Resting diastolic BP, mm Hg</i>	<b>82±3</b>	<b>75±3*</b>	<b>71±3*</b>
<i>Cardiac output, L/min</i>	<b>4.9±0.4</b>	<b>5.3±0.4</b>	<b>5.5±0.5</b>
<i>Stroke volume, mL</i>	<b>63±5</b>	<b>64±5</b>	<b>68±6</b>
<i>Heart rate, beats/min</i>	<b>78±3</b>	<b>75±3</b>	<b>80±4</b>
<i>Total peripheral resistance, dyne -s-cm-5</i>	<b>1967±235</b>	<b>1647±185*</b>	<b>1499±191*</b>

# Effect of Frequent Nocturnal Hemodialysis vs Conventional Hemodialysis on Left Ventricular Mass and Quality of Life

## A Randomized Controlled Trial

**Table 2.** Outcomes for LV Mass, Blood Pressure, Anemia, and Mineral Metabolism<sup>a</sup>

Characteristic	Nocturnal Hemodialysis <sup>b</sup> (n = 26)	Conventional Hemodialysis <sup>b</sup> (n = 25)
LV mass, mean (SD), g		
Baseline	177.4 (51.1)	181.5 (92.3)
Exit	163.6 (45.2)	183.0 (84.2)
Change	-13.8 (23.0)	1.5 (24.0)
LV mass, mean (SD), g/m <sup>2</sup>		
Baseline	92.4 (26.6)	101.8 (50.6)
Exit	85.3 (23.2)	102.8 (46.1)
Change	-7.1 (12.4)	1.0 (14.1)
Blood pressure, mean (SD), mm Hg		
Systolic		
Baseline	129 (23)	135 (19)
Exit	122 (23)	139 (20)
Change	-7 (29)	4 (17)
Diastolic		
Baseline	75 (14)	77 (16)
Exit	68 (16)	75 (12)
Change	-7 (16)	-2 (12)

# Change in LV Mass – Link with Pi

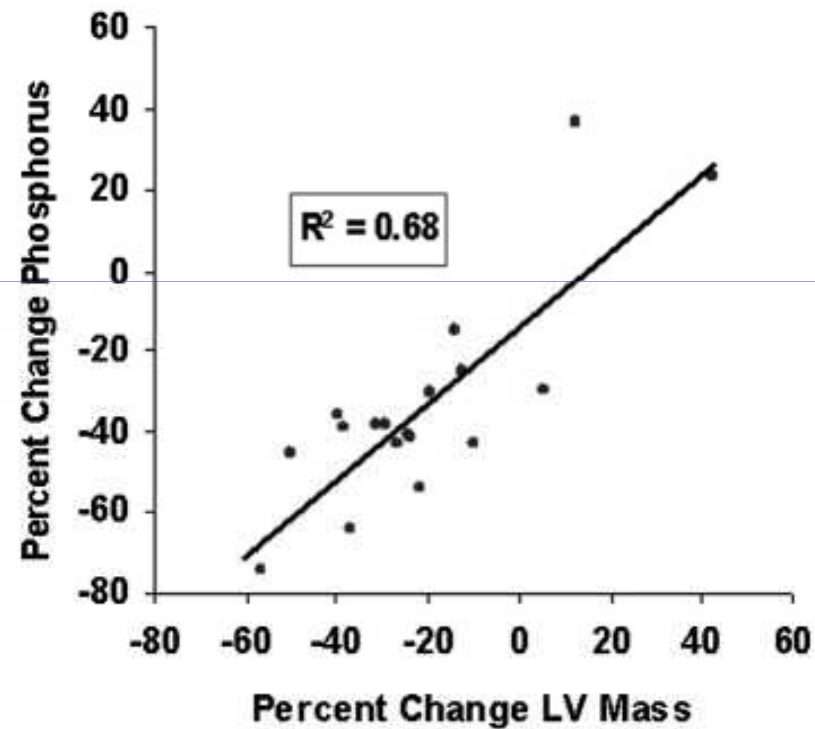


Figure 2. Correlation of percentage change in serum phosphorus (mg/dl) versus percentage change in LVMI (g/m<sup>2</sup>).

## Fibroblast Growth Factor 23 and Left Ventricular Hypertrophy in Chronic Kidney Disease

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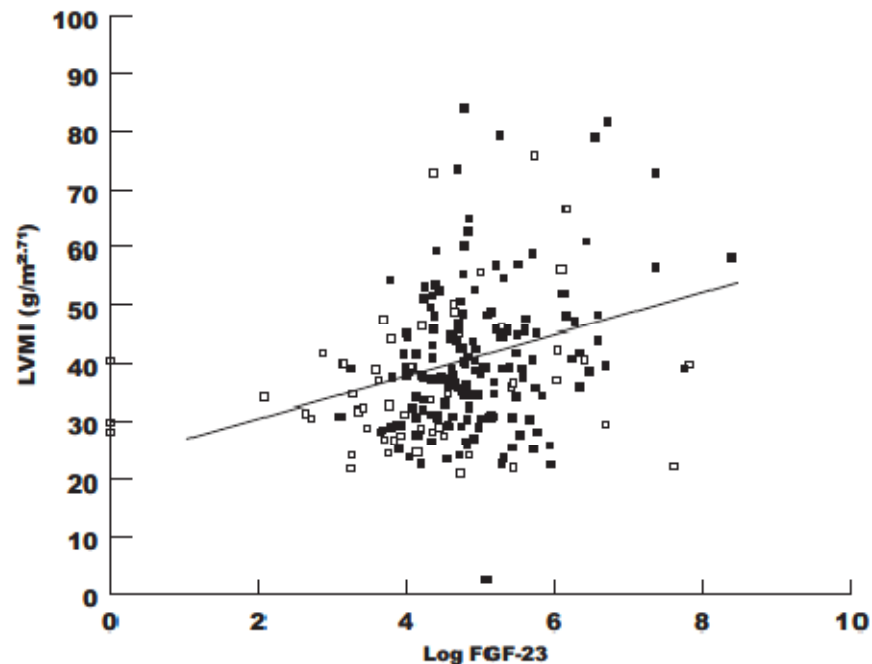
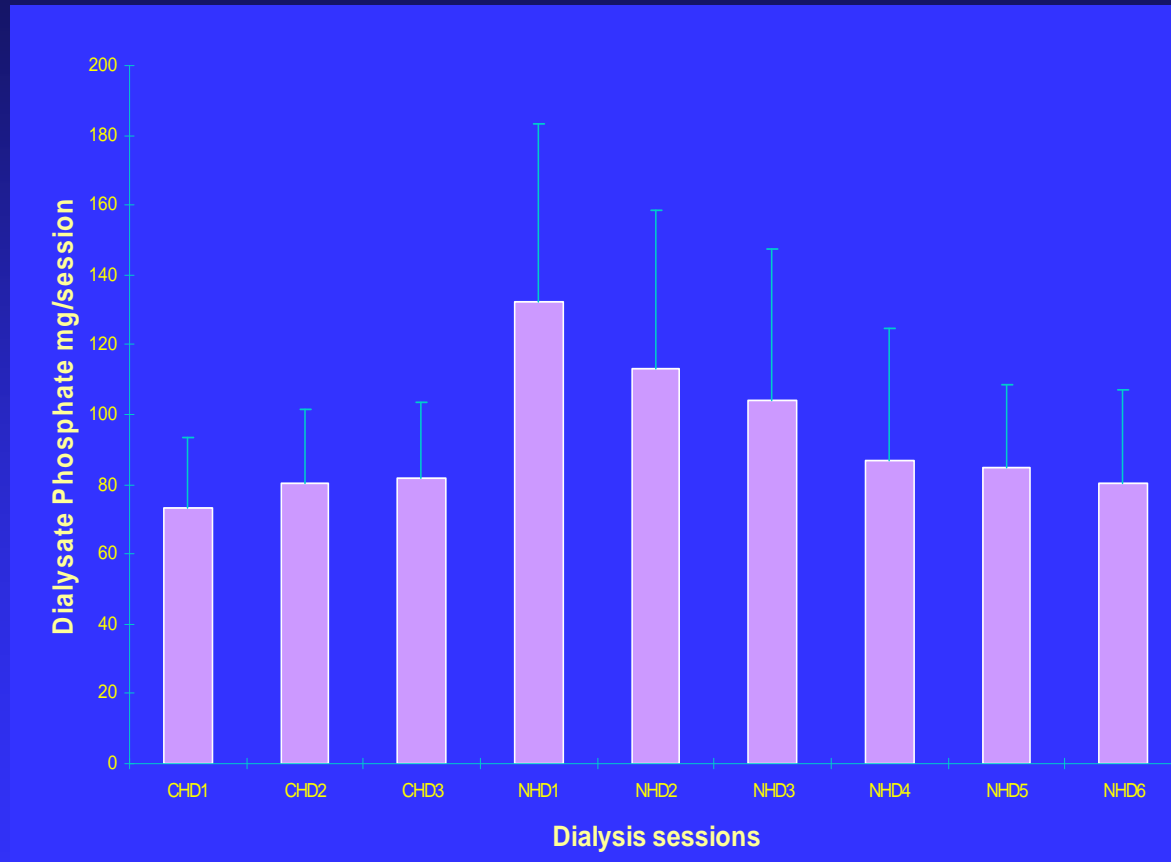


Figure 2. Correlation between log FGF-23 and LVMI ( $r=0.27$ ,  $P<0.001$ ). □ Indicates non-CKD subjects; ■, subjects with CKD.

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# Dialysate Phosphate on CHD and NHD



***Weekly removal  $2.2 \pm 0.6$  vs.  $4.8 \pm 1.7$  gm***

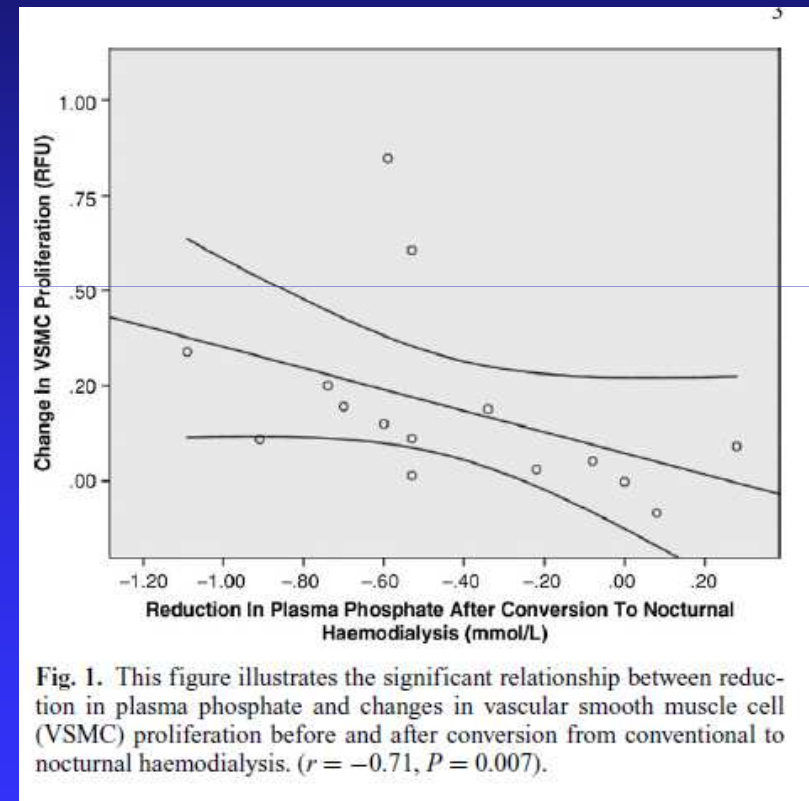
# VSMC biology is improved after conversion to NHD

## CHD

- ↓ VSMC proliferation
- VSMC apoptosis ↑
- Runx 2 expression is increased

## NHD: reversal of

- Proliferation/apoptosis ratio
- Reduction in Runx 2 expression



# The natural history of coronary calcification progression in a cohort of nocturnal haemodialysis patients

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Coronary calcification in nocturnal haemodialysis patients

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**Table 1.** Changes in CACS before and after conversion to NHD (*n* = 38)

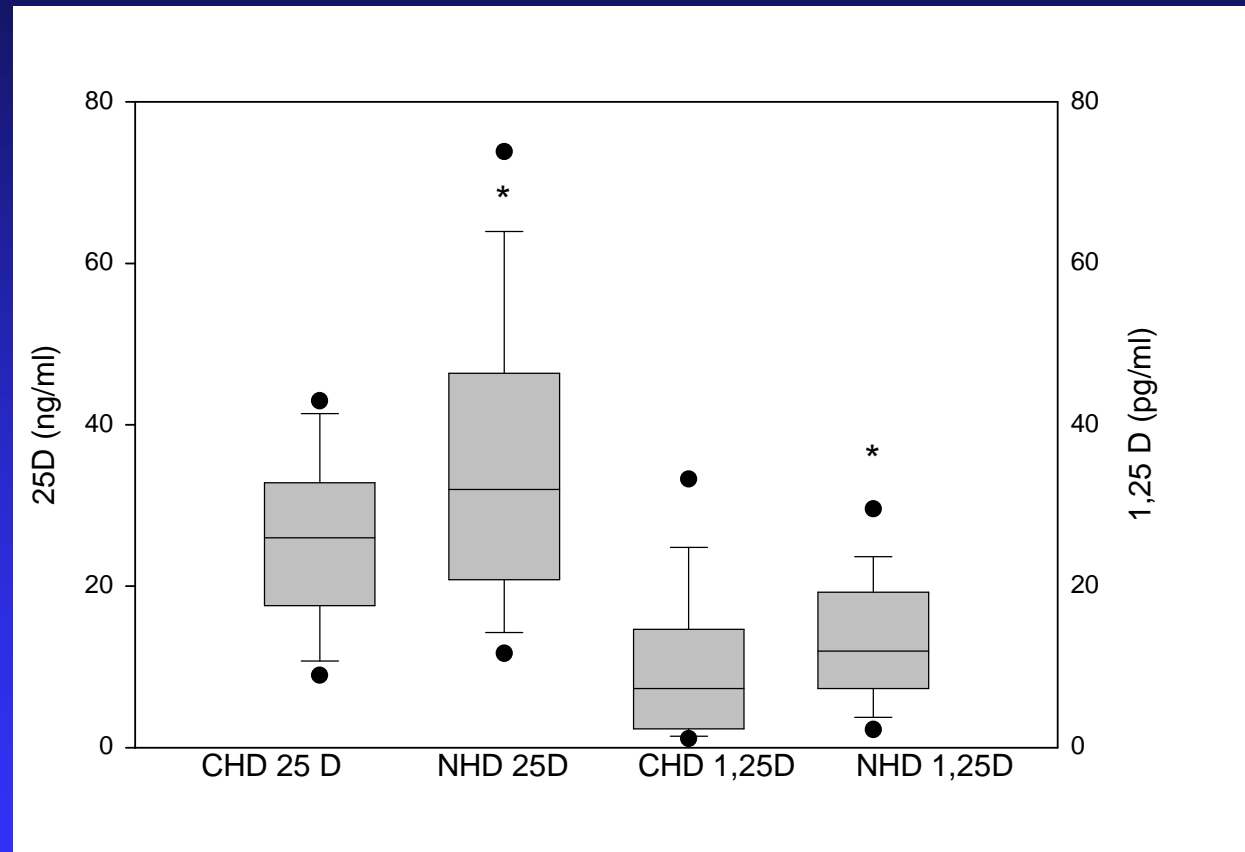
Variables	All Patients	Baseline CACS ≤10	Baseline CACS >10
Mean baseline CACS (range)	691 ± 295 (0–8217)	0.7 ± 0.5 (0–10)	1874 ± 697 (112–8217)
Mean follow-up CACS (range)	765 ± 316 (0 to 8356)	6 ± 4 (0–71)	2066 ± 739 (179–8356)
ΔCACS per year	64 ± 38	5 ± 3	164 ± 98
1 year standardized CACS <sup>a</sup>	755 ± 315	6 ± 3	2038 ± 740
Percentage change in CACS over 1 year	9%	762%	9%

Results are expressed as mean ± SEM, median (range).

<sup>a</sup>1 year standardized CACS refers to the change in CACS adjusted for a 1 year interval assuming a linear rate of CACS change (see Methods section).



# NHD increases vitamin D levels



# SDHD - CRP

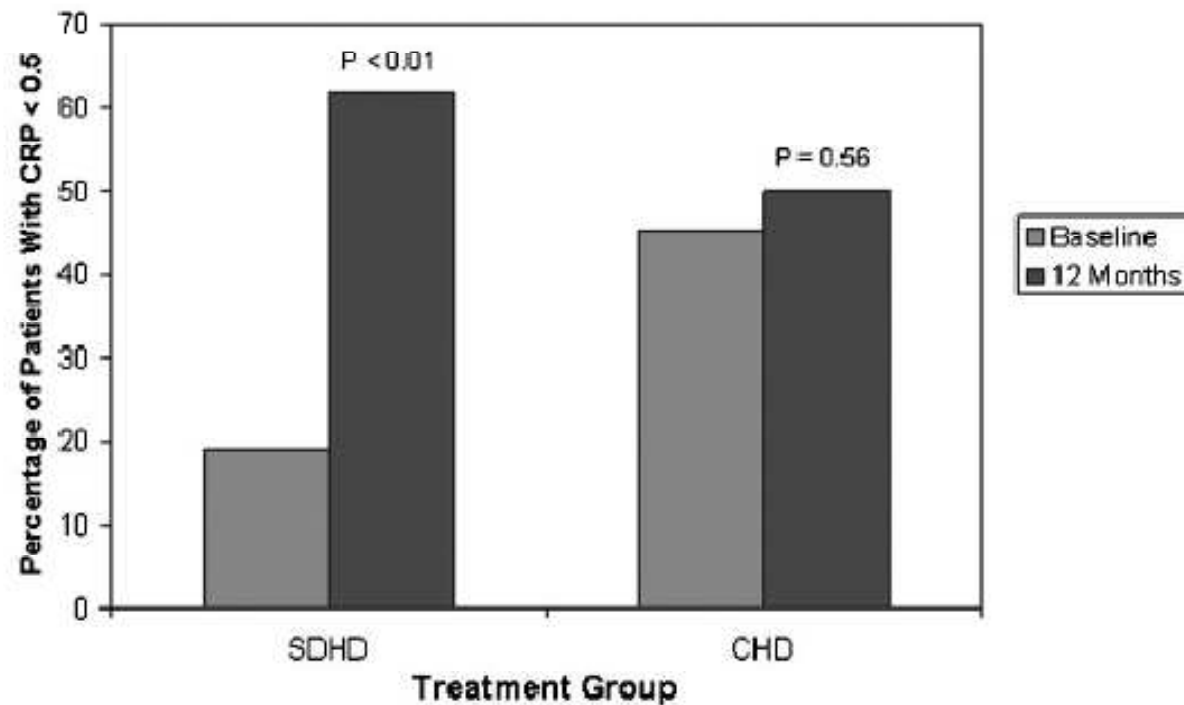
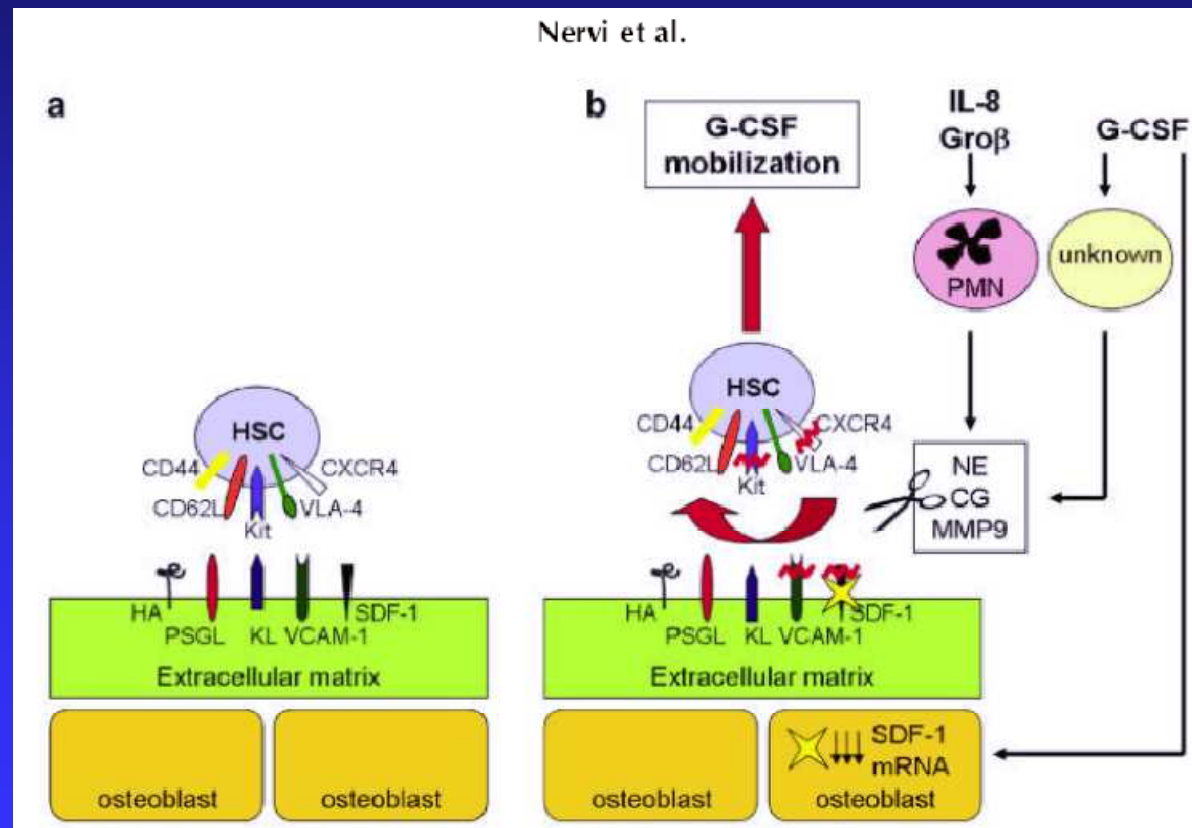


Figure 3. Percentage of patients with a normal C-reactive protein (CRP) level at baseline and at 12-mo follow-up.

# Impact of NHD on EPO responsiveness

	Initial (CHD)	6 mos	12 mos	p
<b>NHD</b>				
Hb (g/L)	115 ± 2.3	122 ± 2.5	124 ± 2.3*	0.03
EPO dose (u/week)	10400 ± 1400	8500 ± 1300	7600 ± 1100	0.03
EPO free (%)	19	24	24*	NS
<b>CHD</b>				
Hb (g/L)	110 ± 2.2	115 ± 2.7	115 ± 2.2	NS
EPO dose (u/week)	8300 ± 1100	8100 ± 1300	8600 ± 1000	NS
EPO free (%)	13	13	9.4	NS

# Bone – Blood Communication



## NHD plasma facilitates the growth of HPC (both BFU-E and CFU-GM)

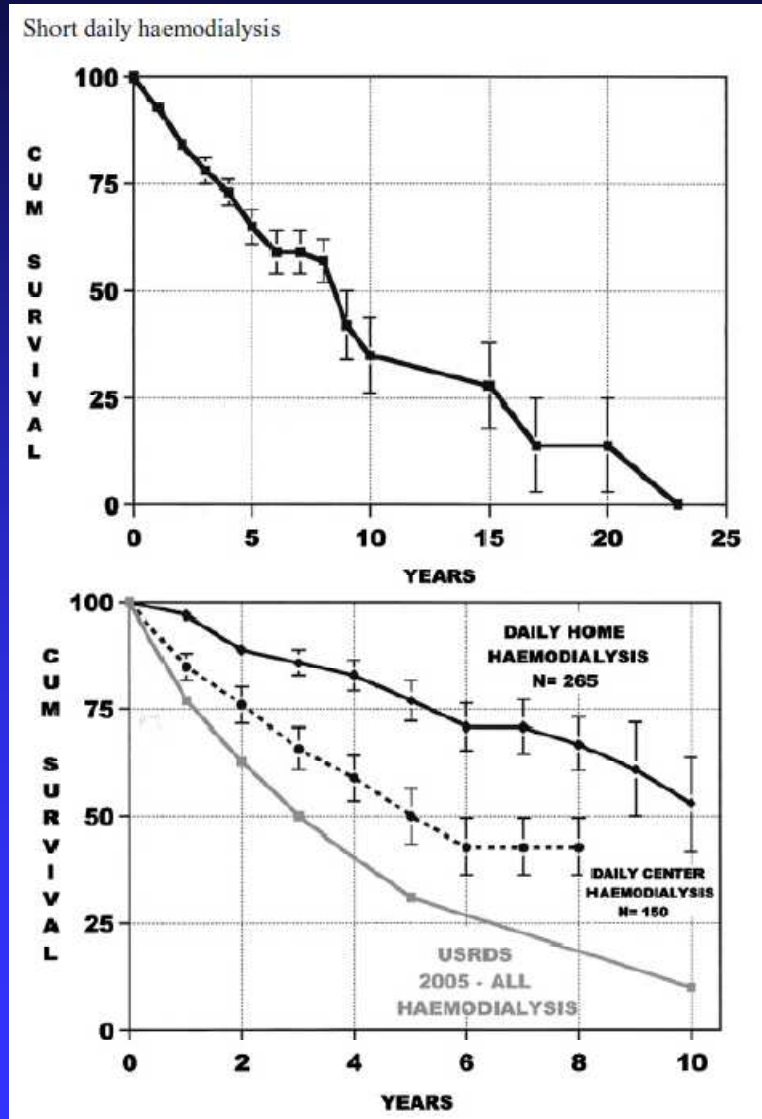
	BFU – E (# of colonies)	CFU – GM (# of colonies)
Normal	352 ± 76	189 ± 11
CHD (20%)	61 ± 30*	34 ± 16*
NHD (20%)	190 ± 54 <sup>†</sup>	94 ± 25 <sup>†</sup>

# Gene expression of cultured HPC

- Total RNA derived from cultured HPCs
- What are the genes that were differentially expressed:
  - ◆ Genes responsible for HPC mobilization and RBC synthesis

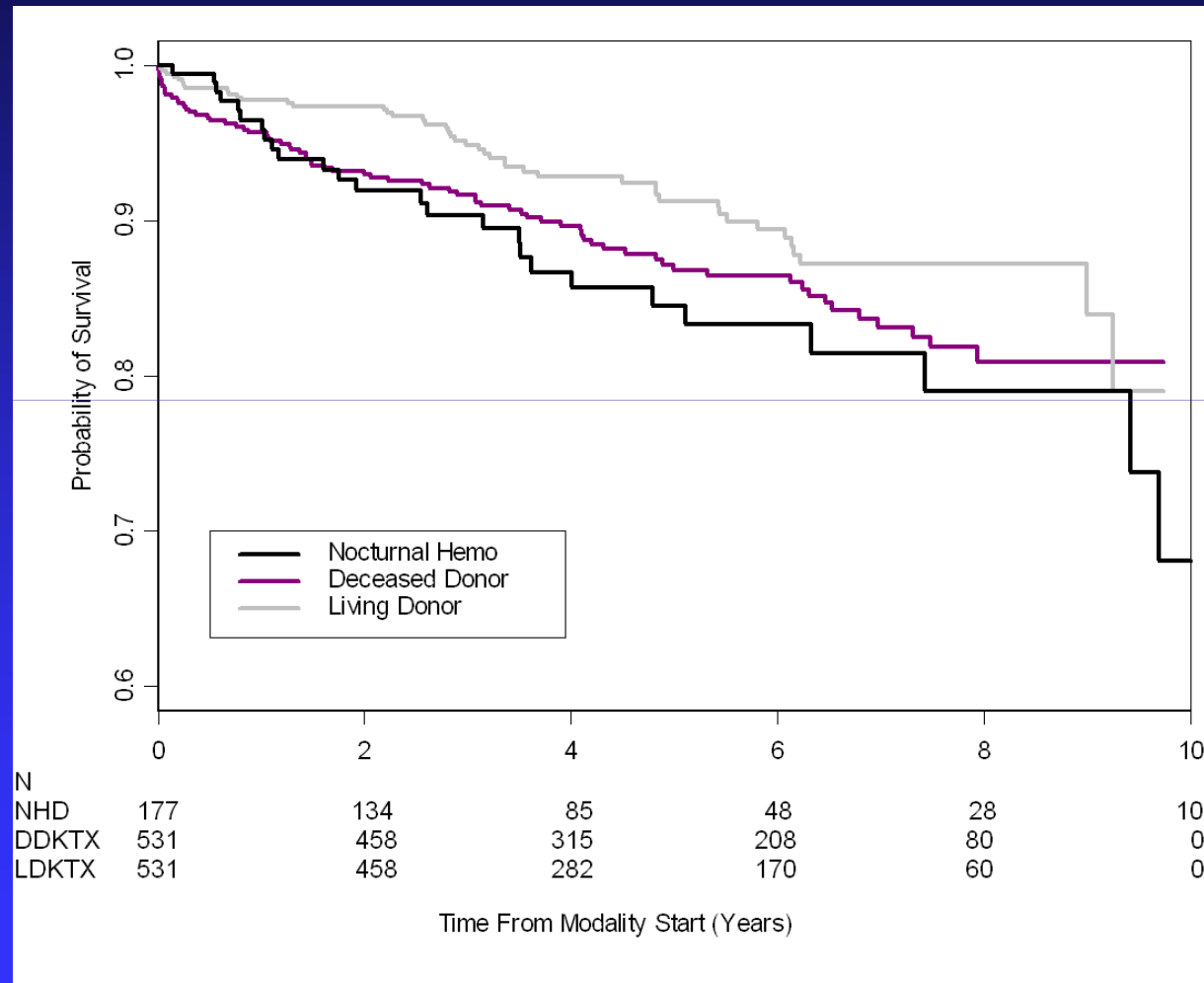
# Survival Benefits?

# SDHD survival



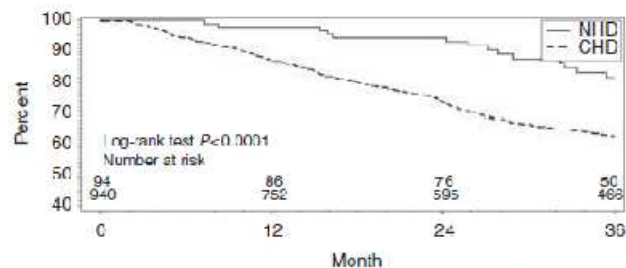


No difference in survival between patients treated with deceased donor transplantation and nocturnal hemodialysis.

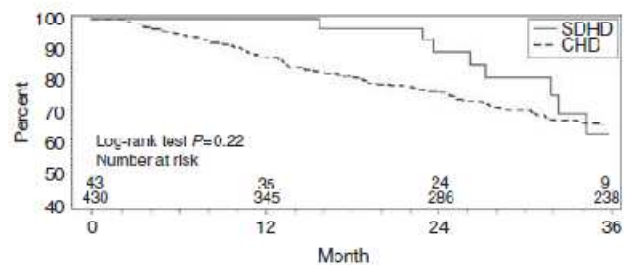


# Survival and hospitalization among patients using nocturnal and short daily compared to conventional hemodialysis: a USRDS study

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**Figure 1 | Kaplan-Meier analysis of nocturnal hemodialysis (NHD) therapy patient and conventional hemodialysis (CHD) control survival from baseline.** Patient survival was analyzed as time until death; observations were censored at the end of follow-up or transplantation.



**Figure 2 | Kaplan-Meier analysis of short-duration daily hemodialysis (SDHD) therapy patient and conventional hemodialysis (CHD) control survival from baseline.** Patient survival was analyzed as time until death; observations were censored at the end of follow-up or transplantation.

	All cause mortality	Mortality + AMI + Stroke
NHD	0.36 (0.22,0.61)*	0.56 (0.35,0.81)*
SDHD	0.64 (0.31,1.31)	0.83 (0.42,1.85)

# Why aren't people doing frequent HD?



# Barriers to self-care dialysis

- Fear of failure to perform dialysis adequately
- Fear of social isolation
- Lack of confidence / knowledge

# Effects of Quotidian HD

Variables	NHD	SDHD
BP control	+++ Reduction in TPR	++ Reduction in ECFV
LVH	+++ ↓ Afterload	++ ↓ preload
LV systolic function	+++ ↓ Afterload	Not shown
Arterial compliance	+++	Not shown
Sleep Apnea	Correction	Not shown
Cardiac ANS abnormalities	Restoration	Not shown
Phosphate	Correction	Depends on duration

## Effects of Quotidian HD (cont)

Variables	NHD	SDHD
Inflammation	Dec CRP, IL6	Dec CRP
Anemia	EPO resistance dec. ++	EPO resistance dec. +
QOL / Cognition	++/+	+/?

# Future Challenges

- Need for RCT to validate NHD prospectively
  - ◆ NIH sponsored FHN study
    - ◆ Results (2010)
  - ◆ ACTIVE
- Need for International Collaboration
- Need to better understand patient selection / criteria
- Improvement in technology
- Resource allocation

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