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Recent advances in CKD-MBD treatment

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Pathogenesis of secondary hyperparathyroidism



Slatopolsky E *et al. Kidney Int* 1999;73:S14–9

Vitamin D deficiency and sHPT start to manifest in early stages of CKD



Hyperphosphatemia starts to manifest sich in stages 4-5 in CKD patients

Kestenbaum B et al. J Am Soc Nephrol. 2004;16:520-528



Phosphate Balance



adapted: Schiavi & Kumar, Kidney Int 2004; 65:1-14

Phosphate Balance

Tonelli M et al., N Eng J Med 2010; 362:1312-24





Biochemical parameters in FGF23 knockout mice

Shimada et al., J Clin Invest 2004; 113:561-8







KLOTHO – the Greek goddess of fate who spins the thread of life



How FGF-23 works !

Liu & Quarles, J Am Soc Nephrol 2007; 18:1637-47



"Loss-of-function" mutation of the *Klotho* gene causes a phenotype of "AGING"

Klotho knockout mice develop...

- ... Calcifying atherosclerosis
- ... Osteoporosis
- ... Skin atrophy
- ... Emphysema
- ... Infertility

... and die prematurely.

Transgenic *Klotho* overexpression rescues this phenotype.

Kuro-o et al., Nature 390:45-51



How FGF-23 works !

Stubbs et al., J Am Soc Nephrol 2007; 18:2116-24



How FGF-23 works !

Aortic calcifications in FGF-23-/- mice fed different diets

Kidney calcifications in FGF-23-/- mice fed different diets

PD = Phosphate-deficient diet DD = Vitamin D-deficient diet

Stubbs et al., J Am Soc Nephrol 2007; 18:2116-24





FGF23 and chronic kidney disease (CKD) stage inversely correlate with each other

Guiterrez et al., J Am Soc Nephrol 2005; 16:2205-15



Relative fractional phosphate excretion increases with CKD progression

Guiterrez et al., J Am Soc Nephrol 2005; 16:2205-15



Phosphate binding by sevelamer reproducible lowers FGF23 and PTH levels in hyperphosphatemic uremic rats

Nagano et al., Kidney Int 2006; 69:531-7

Normal control		Normal diet			Normal diet														
Disease control		0.75% adenine	0.5% adenine									No	rmal	diet					
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FGF23 and dialysis patients

Torres et al., Kidney Int 2008; 73:102-7



FGF23 and mortatlity in CKD 5D: The ArMORR study

Gutiérrez et al., N Engl J Med 2008; 359:584-92

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Fibroblast Growth Factor 23 and Mortality among Patients Undergoing Hemodialysis

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Table Z. Laboratory Results and Use or Nonuse of Phosphorus Binders, According to Quartiles of CFGF-23 Level.*						
Variable	cFGF-23 Quartile 1 (<1090 RU/ml)	cFGF-23 Quartile 2 (1090–1750 RU/ml)	cFGF-23 Quartile 3 (1751–4010 RU/ml)	cFGF-23 Quartile 4 (>4010 RU/ml)	P Value	
Albumin (g/dl)	3.4±0.5	3.3±0.5	3.3±0.6	3.3±0.5	0.13	
Creatinine (mg/dl)	5.3±2.2	5.4±2.2	6.3±2.2	6.6±2.9	< 0.001	
Phosphate (mg/dl)	3.9±1.2	4.1±1.3	4.5±1.6	5.2±2.1	<0.001	
Calcium (mg/dl)	8.8±0.8	8.9±0.7	8.8±0.8	9.0±0.8	0.15	
Parathyroid hormone (pg/ml)	180 (99–313)	137 (95–273)	253 (119–377)	234 (145–435)	0.22	
Alkaline phosphatase (U/liter)	82 (64–103)	89 (67–114)	91 (69–114)	100 (77–131)	<0.001	
1,25-Dihydroxyvitamin D (pg/ml)†	9.1±5.2	6.9±6.0	8.4±5.0	7.5±5.8	0.45	
Phosphorus binders (% of patients)	12	8	9	6	0.18	

FGF23 and mortatlity in CKD 5D: The ArMORR study

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Phosphate Level	Median cFGF-23 Lev	vel (interquartile range)	P Value	Odds Ratio for Death (95% Cl)*
	Patients Who Died (N=200)	Patients Who Survived (N=200)		
	reference uni	its per milliliter		
All levels	2260 (1196–5296)	1406 (989–2741)	<0.001	1.5 (1.2–1.8)
<3.5 mg/dl	1790 (1175–3941)	1148 (927–2169)	0.008	1.8 (1.2–2.8)
3.5-4.4 mg/dl	2049 (1109–4865)	1131 (893–1629)	0.003	1.8 (1.2–2.7)
4.5–5.5 mg/dl	2207 (1186–5238)	1499 (1044–2262)	0.02	1.8 (1.1–3.0)
>5.5 mg/dl	3541 (1871–10,491)	2686 (1527–6210)	0.29	1.1 (0.7–1.6)

Significant associations FGF23 and mortality in serum phosphate levels <u>within</u> the KDOQI target range (< <u>5,5 mg/dl</u> !)

FGF23 and mortatlity in CKD 5D: Prevalent European patients (Hemodialysis)

Jean G et al., NDT 2009; 24:2792-6

High levels of serum fibroblast growth factor (FGF)-23 are associated with increased mortality in long haemodialysis patients

Guillaume Jean, Jean-Claude Terrat, Thierry Vanel, Jean-Marc Hurot, Christie Lorriaux, Brice Mayor and Charles Chazot



Fig. 1. Regression of phosphataemia against log FGF-23 ($r^2 = 0.11$, P < 0.001).



FGF23 and mortatlity in CKD 5D: Prevalent European patients (Hemodialysis)

Ketteler M & Biggar P, NDT 2009; 24:2618-20

As nature did not predict dialysis—what we can learn from FGF23 in end-stage renal disease?

Markus Ketteler and Patrick H. Biggar



- High FGF23 despite long dialysis sessions is initial resorption more important than overall balance?
- Warfarin use was associated with high FGF23 – link between vitamin K-dependent pathways (Osteocalcin/MGP), FGF23 regulation and calcification?
- Influence of active vitamin D treatment on FGF23 levels?

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Management of hyperphosphatemia by phosphate binders





* Treat-to-goal Studie: Chertow GM. KI 2002; ** Hutchison WCN 03. Berlin; *** Qunibi W. et al. KI 2004

Available phosphate binders



Calcium-based phosphate binders

- Calciumcarbonate
- Calciumacetate

Calcium-free phosphate binders

- Aluminium-HCI / Aluminium-OH
- Sevelamer-HCI / Sevelamercarbonate
- Lanthanumcarbonate
- Magnesium-OH / Magnesiumcarbonate
- Niacin / Nicotinamide*
- Fe-Mg-hydroxycarbonate**
- Fe-(III)-oxid-OH**
- Colestilan**
- Salivary binders...

*Phosphate transport inhibitor (no binder) **in pivotal studies Phosphate binder therapy is associated with improved survival in incident dialysis patients

Estimated proportions:

✓ ca. 40% Ca-containing P
✓ ca. 40% Sevelamer
✓ < 20% Lanthanum
✓ many combinations

Isakova T et al., JASN 2009; 20:388

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1899	135	7	
1676	164	10	
2014	285	14	
2029	414	20	
992	265	27	
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3917	575	15	
4693	688	15	
5240	832	16	
2762	350	13	
608	81	13	
1129	151	13	
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932	116	12	
5266	896	17	
3737	558	15	_
4860	703	14	
2109	242	11	_
2111	305	14	
2185	320	15	_
2205	396	18	
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2322	503	22	_
2207	334	15	_
2034	248	12	_
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Hazard Ratio

RIND Study: Progression of coronary artery calcifications in incident hemodialysis patients

Block GA et al., Kidney Int 2005; 68:1815



•Renagel patients were allowed to receive nightly Ca supplements.

RIND Study: Progression of coronary artery calcifications in incident hemodialysis patients

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- The absolute rise of CACS (median) after 18 months was 11-fold increased in the Ca salt vs. the sevelamer group!
- "Progressors" (60%) were already calcified at the start of the study !
- Patients <u>w/out</u> coronary calcifications at the start of the study (40%) remained free of calcification despite intake of calcium-based binders!

Treatment of CKD-MBD: Phosphorus and Calcium

<u>4.1.1.</u> In patients with CKD Stages 3-5, we suggest maintaining serum phosphorus in the normal range (2C). In patients with CKD Stage 5D, we suggest lowering elevated phosphorus levels towards the normal range (2C).



Treatment of CKD-MBD: Phosphorus and Calcium

 <u>4.1.4.</u> In patients with CKD Stages 3-5 (2D) and 5D (2B), we suggest using phosphate-binding agents in the treatment of hyperphosphatemia. It is reasonable that the choice of phosphate binder takes into account CKD stage, presence of other components of CKD-MBD, concomitant therapies, and side-effect profile (not graded).

Treatment of CKD-MBD: Phosphorus and Calcium

- 4.1.5. In patients with CKD Stages 3-5D and hyperphosphatemia, we recommend restricting the dose of calcium-based phosphate binders and/or the dose of calcitriol or vitamin D analog in the presence of persistent or recurrent hypercalcemia (1B).
- In patients with CKD Stages 3-5D and hyperphosphatemia, we suggest restricting the dose of calcium-based phosphate binders in the presence of arterial calcification (2C) and/or adynamic bone disease (2C) and/or if serum PTH levels are persistently low (2C).

Sevelamer carbonate as a new option for treatment of hyperphosphatemia in CKD stages 3 – 5



• Same polymer backbone: Retains similar phosphate-binding capacity

• Salt change: Potentially improves buffering capacity

• Available as tablets and powder

KDOQI Clinical Practice Guidelines: Guideline 15 – Metabolic Acidosis

- 15-1 In CKD Stages 3, 4 and 5, the serum level of total CO₂ should be measured.
- 15-1a The frequency of these measurements should be based on the stage of CKD as shown in Table. (OPINION)

Frequency for Measurement of Serum Levels of Total CO ₂							
CKD Stage	GFR Range (mL/min/1.73m ²⁾	Frequency of Measurement					
3	30-59	At least every 12 months					
4	15-29	At least every 3 months					
5	<15	At least every 3 months					
	Dialysis	At least every month					

15-2 In these patients, serum levels of total CO₂ (bicarbonate) should be maintained at ≥22 mEq/L (22 mmol/L). (EVIDENCE) If necessary, supplemental alkali salts should be given to achieve this goal. (OPINION)

> KDOQI Clinical Practice Guidelines for Bone Metabolism and Disease in Chronic Kidney Disease. Available at http://www.kidney.org/professionals/KDOQI/guidelines_bone/Guide15.htm

Renvela Equivalence Study Study Design

Multicenter, Double-blind, Randomized, Crossover Study



- Starting dose of Renvela or Renagel was based on most recently prescribed dose of Renagel during run-in period
- Stable doses of cinacalcet and vitamin D were maintained throughout the study

Renvela Equivalence Study Baseline Laboratories

	Renvela	Renagel
	(N=73)	(N=78)
Phosphorus (mg/dL)	4.6 ± 1.09	4.6 ± 1.13
Calcium (mg/dL)	9.3 ± 0.67	9.3 ± 0.66
Calcium x Phosphorus (mg ² /dL ²)	42.9 ± 10.19	42.4 ± 10.70
Albumin (g/dL)	3.8 ± 0.31	3.8 ± 0.31
iPTH (pg/mL)*	245	249

Renvela Equivalence Study Efficacy Results

Mean Serum Phosphorus Levels ± SD (mg/dL)



*90% CI for the ratio is within the interval 0.80-1.25 LS=Least Square

Renvela Equivalence Study Serum Phosphorus During Washout Period



*Wilcoxon signed rank test used to compare change from baseline.

[†]All patients who completed washout regardless of form of sevelamer prescribed during treatment period.

Renvela Equivalence Study Effect of Treatment on Serum Bicarbonate



*Wilcoxon signed rank test used to compare change from baseline within treatment. †Wilcoxon signed rank test used to compare change from baseline between treatments. All baseline values are post-5-weeks run-in on Renagel.

Delmez J, Block G, Robertson J, et al. *Clin Nephrol* 2007; 68:386-391 KDOQI Clinical Practice Guidelines for Bone Metabolism and Disease in Chronic Kidney Disease, Guideline 15 – Metabolic Acidosis.

Renvela Equivalence Study Adverse Events*

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Adverse Event	Patients N (%)	Events N	Patients N (%)	Events N	P-value [†]
Any Gastrointestinal Event	15 (20.5)	25	28 (35.9)	45	0.007
Nausea	7 (9.6)	9	10 (12.8)	13	0.467
Vomiting	6 (8.2)	7	8 (10.3)	8	0.527
Diarrhea	2 (2.7)	3	5 (6.4)	6	0.257
GERD	1 (1.4)	1	4 (5.1)	5	0.180
Constipation	0 (0.0)	0	3 (3.8)	3	0.083
Dyspepsia	1 (1.4)	1	3 (3.8)	3	0.317
Abdominal pain	2 (2.7)	2	1 (1.3)	1	0.564

*Occurring in \ge 2% of patients; †McNemar's Test.

Delmez J, Block G, Robertson J, et al. Clin Nephrol 2007; 68:386-391

GERD=Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease

Sevelamer carbonate (Renvela) in patients in CKD stages 4-5

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GFR for all patients (PPS – SVCARB00105)



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Sevelamer carbonate (Renvela) in patients in CKD stages 4-5

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Laboratory parameter (serum)	Pre- washout [†]	Baseline	Day 56/ET	Change from Baseline to Day 56/ET	P-value*	Post- washout	Change from Day 56 to Day 70	P-value*
Bicarbonate (mEq/L)	-	16.6 ± 3.6	18.2 ± 3.7	1.3 ± 2.9	0.005	18.0 ± 3.6	-0.5 ± 3.5	0.326
Calcium (mg/dL)	9.1	8.5	8.8	0.3	<0.001	8.6	-0.2	0.007
iPTH (pg/mL) median	208	341	319	-39	0.013	362	63	<0.001
25-OH Vit D (ng/mL)	28.1 ± 18.8	28.9 ± 16.2	31.1 ± 12.9	2.0 ± 10.3	0.080	32.3 ± 13.7	0.2 ± 7.7	0.890
1,25 (OH)2 Vit D (pg/mL)		25.4 ± 10.1	31.8 ± 12.1	5.3 ± 14.9	0.026	31.8 ± 11.7	-0.3 ± 14.4	0.942

Acid base changes: sevelamer treated CKD patients

Sevelamer carbonate provides a differential of ~ + 4mmol/L in serum bicarbonate in CKD patients not on dialysis in comparison with sevelamer hydrochloride

Phosphate Binder	CKD patients not on dialysis Change from baseline in serum bicarbonate level
Sevelamer carbonate (SVCARB00105)	+1.3 ± 2.9 mmol/L*
Sevelamer hydrochloride (GTC-45-204)	–2.6 ± 4.6 mmol/L**

* 8 weeks treatment, ** 12 weeks treatment

Early management of phosphate regulation Conclusions

- Sevelamer carbonate is a non-absorbable phosphate binder equivalent to sevelamer HCI in controlling serum phosphorus (availability: tablets & powder formulation)
- Sevelamer carbonate is acid/base-neutral
- Sevelamer carbonate is well-tolerated and was associated with a significantly lower number of patients with GI adverse events than sevelamer HCI
- Lipid profiles are favorable with sevelamer carbonate treatment
- Sevelamer carbonate appears as an safe, effective and feasible first choice for treatment of hyperphosphatemia in both predialysis and dialysis CKD stages

Letter to the Editor

A randomized double-blind pilot study of serum phosphorus normalization in chronic kidney disease: A new paradigm for clinical outcomes studies in nephrology

- Do you believe that a randomized clinical trial of target levels of serum phosphorus is necessary in patients with CKD? Is it achievable in patients with stage 5D CKD? Can it be placebo controlled?
- Do you believe that serum phosphorus is the most appropriate measure to use as a primary outcome variable for such a randomized clinical trial?
- Do you believe that it is important to compare at least 1 noncalcium phosphate binder and at least 1 calciumcontaining phosphate binder in addition to placebo in such a trial?
- What would be the most compelling result from such a trial that would demand that clinical practice change to target lower serum phosphorus values in all patients with CKD?

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