





Effects of rare kidney disease on kidney failure: a longitudinal analysis of the UK National Registry of Rare Kidney Diseases (RaDaR) cohort





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Chronic Kidney Disease

- >3 million of UK population
- £7.0 billion, 3.2% NHS spend
- Major health priority

End Stage Kidney Disease

69,000 patients

Rare Kidney Diseases

- 5-10% of patients with CKD
- 25% of patients with ESKD
- Over-represented in kidney failure population

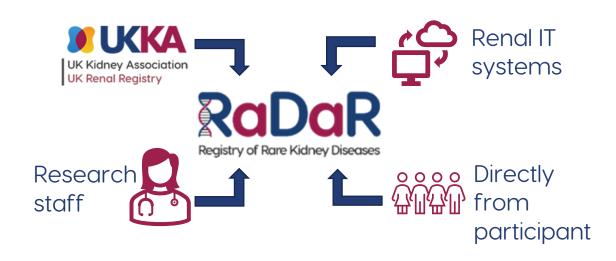




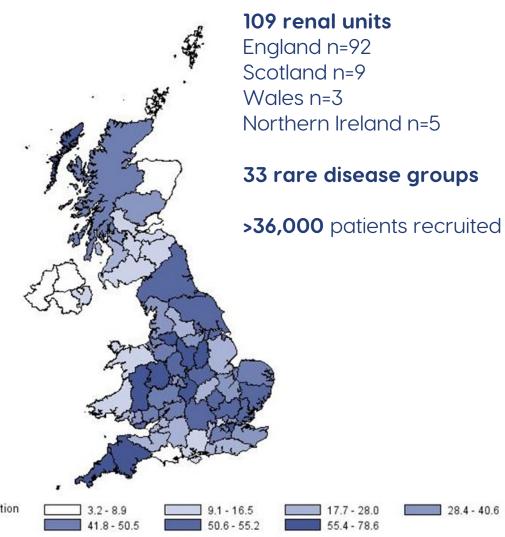
UK National Registry of Rare Kidney Diseases



- Formed in 2010
- Longitudinal data
- Retrospective data back to 1980s



Largest rare kidney disease registry in the world



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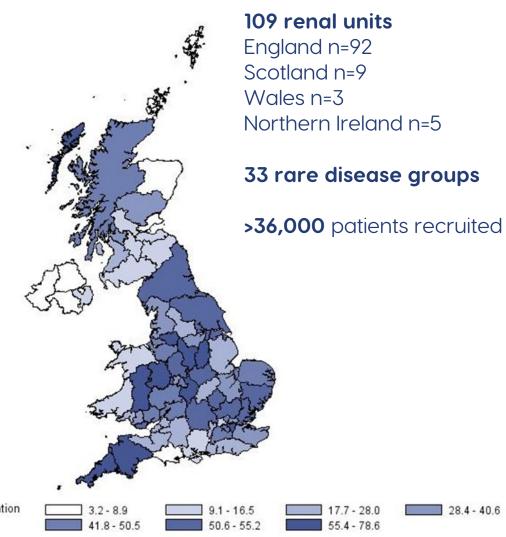


Aims

To describe:

- Clinical demographics
- Renal and patient survival
- Renal function trajectory and time in therapeutic window

for individuals with rare kidney diseases in the UK









27285 patients

20 rare disease groups



Median age at diagnosis

All RaDaR - 41 years [23.7-57.1]

Cystinosis – 2 years [0.7-9.9] **MGRS –** 63 years [51.8-72.1]



Median follow up time 9.6 years [IQR 5.9-16.7]



Median eGFR at diagnosis

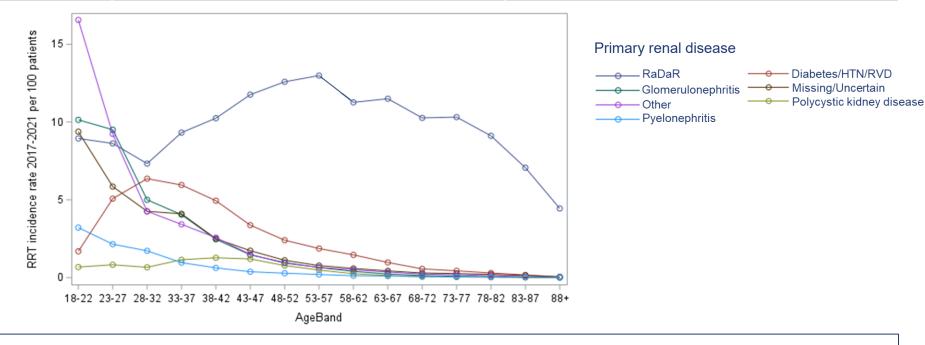
TBMN – 97.4 (69.1–111.2) **Gitelman Syndrome** – 106.3 (93.1–120.5)

ANCA associated vasculitis- 30.5 (18.6–51.0) **Anti-GBM-** 11.2 (6.7–17.5)

Incidence of ESKD



	RaDaR population (%) (95% CI)	General CKD population ^{1,2} (%)
1 year	8 (7,9)	0.2
3 year	19 (18,20)	0.6
5 year	28 (26, 29)	1





Higher rates of End Stage Kidney Disease for individuals with rare kidney diseases

Mortality



CKD stage 3-5 not on KRT

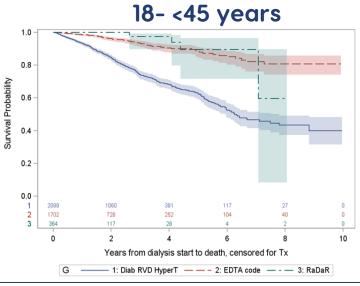


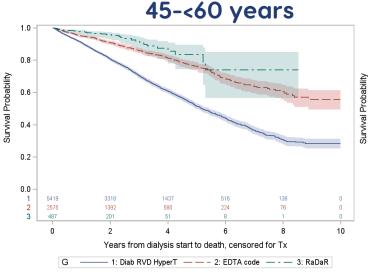


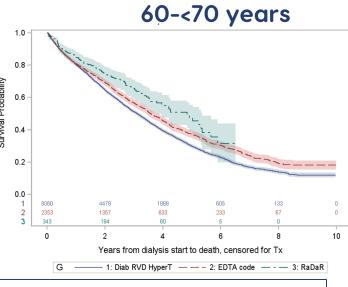
	Expected deaths	Observed	SMR (95% CI)
RaDaR (standardised ONS population)	221	507	2.29 (2.09 to 2.49)
RaDaR (standardised CKD population)*	166†	70	0.42 (0.32 to 0.52)

^{*}excluding patients without eGFR values







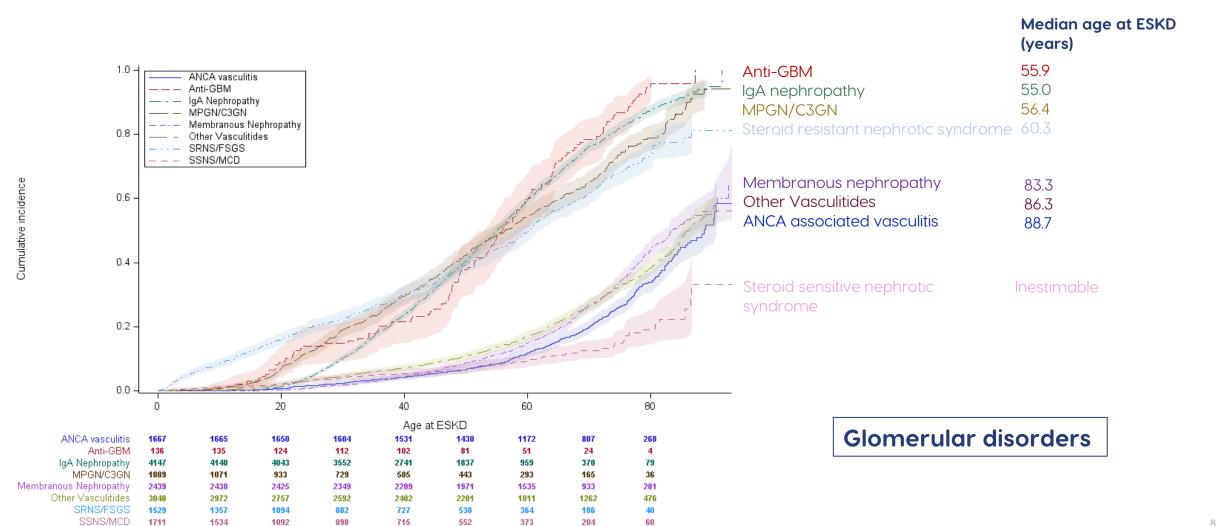




Lower mortality for individuals with rare kidney diseases (CKD and KRT)

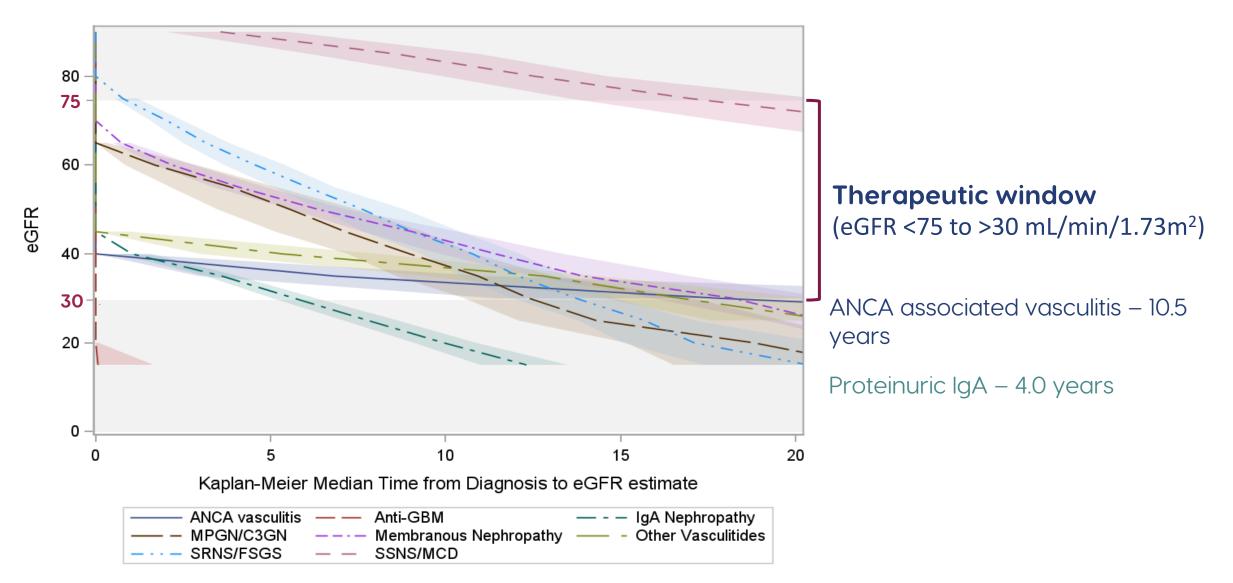
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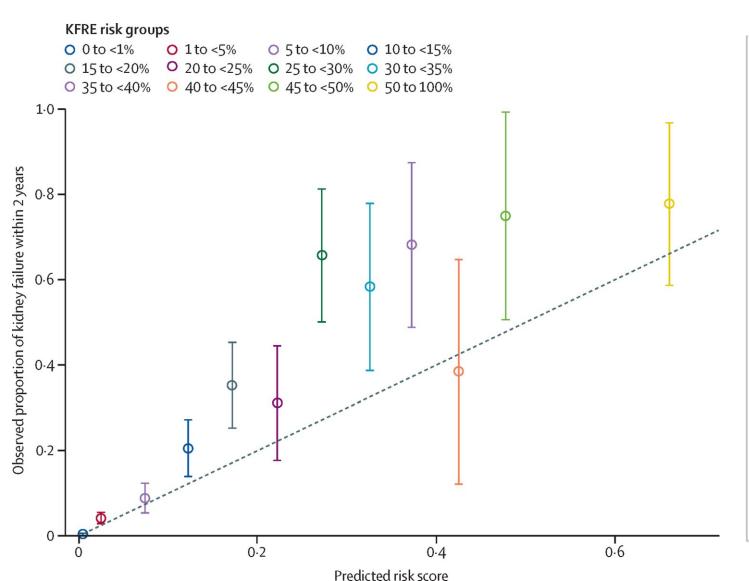
Kidney and patient outcomes in individual rare kidney diseases- time in therapeutic window

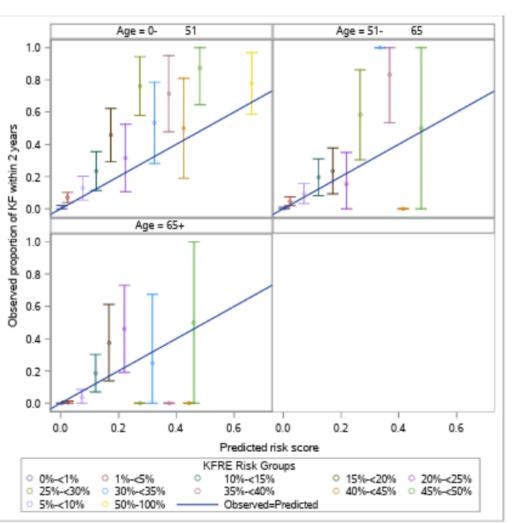




Kidney Failure Risk Equation









Rare Kidney Diseases # Chronic Kidney Disease



Lower mortality rates compared to CKD population



Higher rates of End Stage Kidney Disease compared to CKD population

- Without treatments and interventions that specifically target and delay progress of rare kidney diseases, there may not be a meaningful decrease in burden of End Stage Kidney Disease, even with better treatments for CKD
- A need for rare kidney disease specific clinical trials



Significant heterogeneity in age at kidney failure, death and time in therapeutic window between Rare Disease Groups

- Aid patient prognostication
- Inform health resource planning
- Identify when in disease course novel treatments or interventions might be best targeted



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Summary

Background Individuals with rare kidney diseases account for 5-10% of people with chronic kidney disease, but Lancet 2024; 403: 1279-89 constitute more than 25% of patients receiving kidney replacement therapy. The National Registry of Rare Kidney Diseases (RaDaR) gathers longitudinal data from patients with these conditions, which we used to study disease March 13 2024 progression and outcomes of death and kidney failure.

Methods People aged 0-96 years living with 28 types of rare kidney diseases were recruited from 108 UK renal care facilities. The primary outcomes were cumulative incidence of mortality and kidney failure in individuals with rare kidney diseases, which were calculated and compared with that of unselected patients with chronic kidney disease. Cumulative incidence and Kaplan–Meier survival estimates were calculated for the following outcomes: median age Kidney Disease, Bristol, UK. at kidney failure; median age at death; time from start of dialysis to death; and time from diagnosis to estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) thresholds, allowing calculation of time from last eGFR of 75 mL/min per 1.73 m² FBraddon BA, L Downward MSC, or more to first eGFR of less than 30 mL/min per 1.73 m² (the therapeutic trial window).

Findings Between Jan 18, 2010, and July 25, 2022, 27 285 participants were recruited to RaDaR. Median follow-up time College London, London, UK from diagnosis was 9.6 years (IQR 5.9-16.7). RaDaR participants had significantly higher 5-year cumulative (KWong Prof S BWakh PhD, incidence of kidney failure than 2.81 million UK patients with all-cause chronic kidney disease (28% vs 1%; p<0.0001), but better survival rates (standardised mortality ratio 0.42 [95% CI 0.32-0.52]; p<0.0001). Median age at kidney failure, median age at death, time from start of dialysis to death, time from diagnosis to eGFR thresholds, and Registry, Bristot UK therapeutic trial window all varied substantially between rare diseases.

Interpretation Patients with rare kidney diseases differ from the general population of individuals with chronic kidney disease: they have higher 5-year rates of kidney failure but higher survival than other patients with chronic kidney disease stages 3-5, and so are over-represented in the cohort of patients requiring kidney replacement therapy. Addressing unmet therapeutic need for patients with rare kidney diseases could have a large beneficial effect on longterm kidney replacement therapy demand.

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and affect an estimated 6-1% of the UK population over More than 50% of children and those younger than Trust London, UK the age of 16 years and 32-7% of those older than 20 years receiving kidney replacement therapy have a rare 75 years. The most common causes of chronic kidney kidney disease. In contrast to earlier chronic kidney HospitalWales, Cardiff, UK disease stage 3 in high-income and middle-income disease stages, glomerulonephritis (which comprises (Prof's Griffin PhD); countries are diabetes and hypertension.2

per 10 000 individuals in Europe. Approximately 80% of Chronic kidney disease is an umbrella term for rare diseases are inherited. Rare kidney diseases, as University of Manchester, conditions resulting in impaired kidney function, and defined by the Kidney Disease: Improving Global Manchestet, UK can be divided into five stages defined by estimated Outcomes global organisation, include more than glomerular filtration rate (eGFR). Chronic kidney disease 150 conditions and have an estimated prevalence of pushingureness. stages 3, 4, and 5 represent moderate to severe disease 60-80 cases per 100 000 people in Europe and the USA.5

multiple individually rare disorders) accounts for more Nottingham Renal and Rare diseases are generally defined as affecting fewer UK adults receiving kidney replacement therapy than do Transplant Unit, Nottingham than 200 000 individuals in the USA, or fewer than five common causes of chronic kidney disease, such as

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- Wider medical field
- Regulators/health service

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