

Collaborating for Improved ADPKD Management



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# **Considerations for the Healthcare Team**

Although it is a rare disease,

# ADPKD is the fourth leading cause of kidney failure.<sup>1</sup>

# What is PKD?

Polycystic kidney disease (PKD) is the most common genetic cause of end-stage renal disease.<sup>2</sup>

PKD is broadly divided into three types<sup>2,3</sup>:

- Autosomal recessive polycystic kidney disease (ARPKD)
- Autosomal dominant polycystic kidney disease (ADPKD)
- Syndromic disorders

# What is ADPKD?

Most cases of ADPKD are caused by the PKD mutation's more severe phenotype.<sup>4,5</sup>

# PKD1<sup>\*</sup> mutations | 85%<sup>4,5</sup>

- Cysts may appear when patients are young adults or even earlier, and the disease can progress rapidly.<sup>6</sup>
- Average age of end-stage renal disease (ESRD) onset is roughly 54 years.<sup>5</sup>

# PKD2<sup>†</sup> mutations | 15%<sup>4,5</sup>

- The disease progresses more slowly.5
- Average age of ESRD onset is roughly 74 years.<sup>5</sup>

\*PKD1=gene that encodes polycystin 1 (PC1), a transmembrane protein located on the cilia and epithelial cells of the renal tubules.<sup>5,7</sup>

<sup>†</sup>PKD2=gene that encodes polycystin 2 (PC2), a nonselective cation channel located on the cilia and endoplasmic reticulum of the renal tubule epithelium.<sup>5,7</sup>

# **Prevalence of ADPKD**

- ADPKD is a rare disease.<sup>8</sup>
- Estimated prevalence of ~140,000 diagnosed cases in the United States in 2017<sup>9</sup>
  - Consistent with prevalence estimates worldwide
    European Union | 3.3:10,000<sup>10</sup> Japan | 1.4,033<sup>11</sup>

# ADPKD is an autosomal dominant disease<sup>5</sup>

- Each child of a person with ADPKD has a 50% chance of inheriting the abnormal gene.<sup>5</sup>
- While ADPKD is an inherited condition, the age of onset and rate of progression can be unpredictable, varying from patient to patient, even in the same family.<sup>4</sup>

### ADPKD is a progressive kidney disease<sup>2,5</sup>

ADPKD is characterized primarily by the development and progressive enlargement of fluid-filled renal cysts.<sup>2,5</sup>

Kidney size ranges from minimally or moderately enlarged in early disease to **more than 20 times the normal size** in advanced disease. This contributes to compression and loss of the surrounding functional renal tissue, resulting in a progressive decline of renal function.<sup>2,3,5</sup>



More than 50% of patients with ADPKD will reach ESRD by age 60.<sup>12</sup>



|     | <b>ronic</b><br>Urinary concentrating defects<br>Hypertension<br>Dull pain and discomfort<br>Proteinuria               |
|-----|--|
| Act | <b>ute/episodic</b><br>Cyst rupture<br>Hematuria<br>Cyst infection<br>Kidney stones<br>Urinary tract infection<br>Pain |

# ADPKD can progress at different rates<sup>5</sup>

Depending on the type of mutation and other risk factors at the root of ADPKD<sup>5</sup>:

- Some patients may develop detectable cysts at 20 years of age.<sup>5</sup>
  - Rapidly progress to ESRD by age 50 years
- Other patients may have ADPKD that progresses more slowly.<sup>5</sup>
  - May not reach ESRD until they are 70 years old

Patients who have a family history of ADPKD or ESRD can undergo imaging and genetic testing to confirm whether they have the disease.<sup>14</sup>

# **Considerations for the Healthcare Team**



# ADPKD often presents as nonspecific symptoms, so many people may actually live with ADPKD for years before this kidney condition is recognized<sup>15</sup>

- Even though ADPKD is a hereditary disease, family history may be unknown, and patients may not see a link between symptoms and the disease.<sup>15</sup>
- Initial signs or symptoms associated with ADPKD can include<sup>3,15</sup>:
  - Hypertension
  - Flank pain
  - Hematuria and proteinuria
  - Urinary tract infection (UTI)
- Early occurrence of these symptoms can be the most important predictive indicators of rapid progression.<sup>3,15</sup>

# **ADPKD** is a systemic disease that has substantial physical and emotional impact on patients



### Emotional burden<sup>16,17</sup>

- Depression
- Anxiety
- Parental guilt
- Fear

### Renal manifestations<sup>18,19</sup>

- Hypertension
- Pain
- Kidney stones
- Recurrent UTIs
- Frequent urination
- Blood in urine

# Extra-renal manifestations<sup>6,18-20</sup>

- Pancreatic and hepatic cysts
- Heart disease
- Hernias
- Male infertility
- Brain aneurysms
- Diverticulosis
- Tumors within pancreatic duct

# **Diagnosis and monitoring ADPKD**

# Multiple techniques can be used to confirm a diagnosis of ADPKD

Positive family history and genetic testing<sup>15</sup>

- The variable symptoms of ADPKD can make confirming a positive family history challenging.<sup>15</sup>
- Genetic testing is available to help confirm a diagnosis of ADPKD.<sup>15</sup>

Imaging studies including ultrasonography, computed tomography, and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)<sup>15,21</sup>

- While ultrasonography is a safe, easily performed, inexpensive, and most commonly used imaging tool to diagnose ADPKD, it is not precise enough to detect short-term disease progression.<sup>22</sup>
- MRI has been shown to be more sensitive and reliable for measurement of renal cyst volume.<sup>22</sup>

Because the rate at which **ADPKD advances** can be variable, **monitoring progression is one way to help manage the disease**.<sup>4</sup>



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### The benefits of early intervention

Earlier detection and management of ADPKD may provide the opportunity for interventions to treat early-onset hypertension and cardiovascular complications, cyst infection, and nephrolithiasis.<sup>15,22</sup>

While symptoms may be fewer in early-stage disease, the kidneys continue to increase in volume and damage continues to progress.<sup>4,23</sup>



By the time serum creatinine levels start to rise appreciably, more than **50% of functional renal tissue** 

may have already been destroyed.<sup>24</sup>

# **Considerations for the Healthcare Team**

# Considerations when measuring disease progression

For patients in earlier stages of the disease, measuring estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) may not reveal the ongoing damage caused by ADPKD.<sup>24</sup>

- eGFR and serum creatinine levels are important indicators of kidney function but alone may not be reliable indicators of early-stage ADPKD.<sup>25</sup>
- eGFR may remain steady over many years while the kidneys increase in volume by 400 percent, to 1500 cm<sup>3</sup>.<sup>4</sup>

Compensatory renal hypertrophy and glomerular hyperfiltration can mask the underlying destruction of the surrounding renal parenchyma.<sup>26,27</sup>

Serum creatinine levels rise late in the course of the disease, only after the parenchyma has incurred serious, irreversible damage.<sup>24</sup>

# An increase in total kidney volume (TKV) can precede a drop in eGFR levels.<sup>24,28,29</sup>

# The role of total kidney volume

TKV can provide an important predictor of early-stage disease progression and future renal decline even before eGFR levels begin to drop. TKV provides an indicator of progression in early-stage ADPKD, as it can be used to evaluate patients with normal eGFR levels.<sup>24,28,29</sup>

In 2016, the FDA provided a recommendation for the use of TKV, measured at baseline, as a prognostic enrichment biomarker to select patients with ADPKD at high risk of a progressive decline in renal function.<sup>30</sup>

# Managing ADPKD\*

Stages of chronic kidney disease<sup>31\*</sup>

| Staging of chronic kidney disease based on GFR category |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| CKD Stage   | Description                                     | <b>GFR</b><br>(mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> ) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13  | Kidney damage with <b>normal</b><br>or elevated | ≥90   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23  | Kidney damage with <b>mildly</b><br>decreased   | 60-89                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 33  | Moderately decreased                            | 30-59                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 43  | Severely decreased                              | 15-29                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 53  | Kidney <b>failure</b>                           | <b>&lt;15</b><br>(or dialysis)              |  |  |  |  |  |



\*Chronic kidney disease (CKD) is defined as abnormalities of kidney structure or function, present for >3 months, with implications for health.<sup>31</sup>

If you are a primary care physician managing early-stage ADPKD patients, it may be important to refer them to a nephrologist. **Considerations for the Healthcare Team** 

### Outcomes for patients with ADPKD have not changed in decades

Despite aggressive symptomatic treatment, incidence of renal replacement therapy (RRT) has not changed in over 20 years.<sup>32</sup>



### Management strategies are similar to those for CKD

Because there are currently no evidence-based guidelines in the United States specific to the care of patients with ADPKD, healthcare providers may consult guidelines developed for the broader population of patients with CKD.<sup>33</sup>

| CKD Stage                  |                     |          |                      |                     |                     |  |
|----------------------------|---------------------|----------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|
|                            | 1                   | 2        | 3                    | 4                   | 5                   |  |
| GFR and electrolytes       | Annually            |          | Every 6-12<br>months | Every 3-6<br>months | Every 1-3<br>months |  |
| Assessment for proteinuria | Annually            |          | Every 6-12<br>months | Every 3-6<br>months |                     |  |
| Blood pressure             | Every visit         |          |                      |                     |                     |  |
| Calcium and phosphate      | Annually            |          |                      | Every 3-6<br>months |                     |  |
| Parathyroid hormone        | rathyroid hormone – |          | Annually             | Every 3-6<br>months |                     |  |
| Hemoglobin                 |                     | Annually |                      | Every 3-6<br>months | Every 1-3<br>months |  |

# Identification of patients at risk for rapid progression may provide an opportunity for intervention<sup>25,27,34</sup>

# Risk factors associated with rapid disease progression

- TKV greater than expected for age<sup>35-37</sup>
- Truncating PKD1 mutation<sup>38</sup>
- Family history of ESRD at or before age 58<sup>39</sup>
- Hypertension before age 35<sup>34,38</sup>
- Urologic events before age 35<sup>38</sup>
   Gross hematuria
  - Cyst infection
  - Flank pain related to cysts
- Male gender<sup>38</sup>
- eGFR decline<sup>39</sup>
  - $\ge 5 \text{ mL/min/1.73} \text{ m}^2$  within one year

# Treatment strategies have focused on symptom control

Treatment has focused on reducing morbidity and mortality from the complications of the disease. Ways to manage the disease include<sup>18</sup>:

# **Standard care**

- Blood pressure control
- Managing pain
- Antibiotics for UTIs
- Dialysis
- Renal transplantation

# Lifestyle approaches

- Increasing water intake
- Dietary restrictions
  - Salt restriction
  - Low protein intake
- Avoidance of caffeine and smoking
- Regular exercise
- Maintenance of healthy body weight

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# Consider tailoring the frequency of monitoring

to the needs of the patient and based on the judgment of the treating healthcare professional.

# **ADPKD** provides the opportunity for a patient-centered interdisciplinary approach

Due to the systemic nature of ADPKD, the opportunity for collaboration among interdisciplinary teams exist. Healthcare providers involved in management of patients with APDKD include:



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# Collaborating for improved ADPKD management

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### **Program objectives:**

- Emphasize the importance of understanding ADPKD and its impact for patients.
- Enhance communication among all stakeholders with emphasis on interdisciplinary collaboration.
- Support stakeholders with provider, patient, and caregiver educational materials.
- Promote ADPKD topics such as management, monitoring for progression, and patient engagement.



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