

# Renal Replacement Therapy

## Single choice

- First successful kidney transplant was performed from:
  - Monozygotic twin
  - Cadaveric kidney
  - Brain-death patient
  - Dizygotic twin
  - The mother
- According to the KDIGO classification of chronic kidney disease, how many stages of chronic kidney disease are?
  - 1 stage
  - 2 stages
  - 3 stages
  - 4 stages
  - 5, with stage 3 divided in category G3a and G3b
- According to the KDIGO classification of chronic kidney disease, albuminuria is categorized in how many stages?
  - 3
  - 5
  - 6
  - 2
  - 1
- According to the KDIGO classification of chronic kidney disease, individuals in stage G5 A3 are categorized in the group of:
  - Low risk
  - Moderately increased risk
  - High risk
  - Very high risk
  - No risk
- A person with an eGFR of 50 ml/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> and an uR of 35 mg/mmol has:
  - CKD G3 A3
  - CKD G4 A2
  - CKD G5 A3
  - CKD G1 A1
  - CKD G1 A3
- In the future, it is estimated that the need for renal replacement therapies will:
  - Increase
  - Reach a plateau
  - Decrease slowly
  - Remain the same
  - Decrease exponentially
- What is the used for the neutralization of low-molecular-weight heparin?
  - Aspirin

				Persistent albuminuria categories		
				Description and range		
				A1	A2	A3
				Normal to mildly increased	Moderately increased	Severely increased
				<30 mg/g <3 mg/mmol	30–300 mg/g 3–30 mg/mmol	>300 mg/g >30 mg/mmol
GFR categories Description and range	G1	Normal or high	≥90 ml/min per 1.73 m <sup>2</sup>			
	G2	Mildly decreased	60–89 ml/min per 1.73 m <sup>2</sup>			
	G3a	Mildly to moderately decreased	45–59 ml/min per 1.73 m <sup>2</sup>			
	G3b	Moderately to severely decreased	30–44 ml/min per 1.73 m <sup>2</sup>			
	G4	Severely decreased	15–29 ml/min per 1.73 m <sup>2</sup>			
	G5	Kidney failure	<15 ml/min per 1.73 m <sup>2</sup>			

■ Low risk (if no other markers of kidney disease, no CKD)  
■ Moderately increased risk  
■ High risk  
■ Very high risk

- B. Warfarin
  - C. Antibiotics
  - D. Protamine
  - E. NSAIDs
8. Which is the optimal vascular access for hemodialysis in ESRD?
    - A. PTFE graft
    - B. Arterio-venous fistula
    - C. Tunneled central venous catheter
    - D. Ulnar artery catheterization
    - E. Femoral artery catheterization
  9. How much time usually the patient will need to wait for the arterio-venous fistula to mature before it can be used for hemodialysis?
    - A. It can be used the next day after the surgery
    - B. 6-8 weeks
    - C. 6-8 months
    - D. A few years
    - E. A few days
  10. In the picture, what kind of vascular access for hemodialysis you can see?
    - A. Arteriovenous fistula
    - B. Tunneled cuffed catheter
    - C. Temporary venous catheter
    - D. Femoral catheter
    - E. Tenckhoff catheter for peritoneal dialysis
  11. Which of the following is a chronic hemodialysis complication?
    - A. Cramps
    - B. Air embolism
    - C. Clotting of extracorporeal circuit
    - D. Hemolysis
    - E. Amyloidosis
  12. Aluminum toxicity is a chronic complication of what?
    - A. Hemodialysis
    - B. Peritoneal dialysis
    - C. Renal transplant
    - D. Hemadsorption
    - E. Plasmapheresis
  13. A major complication of peritoneal dialysis is:
    - A. Hepatitis
    - B. Malnutrition
    - C. Aluminium intoxication
    - D. Amyloidosis
    - E. Peritonitis
  14. How many categories of non-heart beating donors are in the Maastricht classification?
    - A. 1
    - B. 2
    - C. 3
    - D. 4
    - E. 5



15. The best outcome in kidney transplantation are from:
    - A. Living donor
    - B. Donation after brain death
    - C. Donors type I Maastricht
    - D. Donors type II Maastricht
    - E. Donors type V Maastricht
  16. When performing a kidney transplantation, the native kidneys are usually:
    - A. Removed, to make space for the graft
    - B. Not removed
    - C. Removed, to treat the chronic kidney disease
    - D. Removed, to treat renal anemia
    - E. Removed, to treat hyperkalemia
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### Multiple Choice

17. Which of the following functions are performed by the kidneys?
  - A. Remove excess salt, water and acid.
  - B. Remove or regulate electrolytes
  - C. Make erythropoietin.
  - D. Activate vitamin D
  - E. Creates angiotensinogen
18. Hemodialysis can replace which of the following kidney's function?
  - A. Make erythropoietin
  - B. Remove excess water
  - C. Remove waste products
  - D. Activate vitamin D
  - E. Remove excess salt
19. Which of the following are considered to be renal replacement therapies?
  - A. Hemodialysis
  - B. Peritoneal dialysis
  - C. Renal transplant
  - D. Molecular adsorbent recirculating system
  - E. Extracorporeal membrane oxygenation
20. Urgent severe hyperkalemia can be treated with:
  - A. Renal transplant
  - B. Hemodialysis
  - C. Extracorporeal membrane oxygenation
  - D. Albumin infusion
  - E. Insulin + glucose
21. Which of the following are urgent indication for a renal replacement therapy?
  - A. Refractory fluid overload
  - B. Liver cirrhosis
  - C. Signs of uremia
  - D. Severe metabolic acidosis
  - E. Hemorrhagic stroke
22. Which of the following are urgent indications for renal replacement therapy in AKI?
  - A. Severe hyperkalemia (plasma potassium concentration  $>6.5$  mEq/L) or rapidly rising potassium levels
  - B. Signs of uremia, such as pericarditis, encephalopathy

- C. Certain alcohol and drug intoxications
  - D. Nephrotic syndrome
  - E. Heavy proteinuria
23. During hemodialysis, which substances can pass through the pores of the semi-permeable membrane?
- A. Urea
  - B. Creatinine
  - C. Electrolytes
  - D. Albumin
  - E. Antibodies
24. What is required for a typical hemodialysis?
- A. Dialysis membrane
  - B. Dialysate
  - C. Vascular access
  - D. Anticoagulation
  - E. Blood transfusion
25. Which of the following are included in a hemodialysis machine?
- A. Air detector
  - B. Blood pump
  - C. Dialyzer
  - D. Extracorporeal oxygenation tool
  - E. Erythropoietin infusion pump
26. What is the dialysate?
- A. A solution of ultrapure water
  - B. A solution that is usually generated in a treatment plant
  - C. Artificial blood
  - D. Blood from a donor, with all the components
  - E. Blood plasma
27. Anticoagulation during hemodialysis can be performed using:
- A. Unfractionated heparin
  - B. Low-molecular-weight heparin
  - C. Low-dosage aspirin
  - D. Warfarin
  - E. Protamine
28. Which of the following are options for vascular access in hemodialysis?
- A. Arterio-venous fistulas
  - B. Tunneled, cuffed central venous catheter
  - C. Temporary central venous catheter
  - D. Swan-Ganz catheter
  - E. Ureteric stent
29. What should the doctor know to preserve the AV fistula in chronic hemodialysis patients?
- A. Needling should only be carried out by a trained operator
  - B. Never put a tourniquet or BP cuff on a fistula arm
  - C. Do not use a fistula to take blood
  - D. Administer erythropoietin
  - E. Diminish the intake of dietary proteins
30. When caring of dialysis patients, usually you should:
- A. Administer lots of IV fluids to hydrate the patients

- B. Provide potassium supplements
  - C. Place a urinary catheter
  - D. Check if the drug you want to administer is safe in ESRD patients
  - E. Assess regularly the fluid volume status
31. Which of the following are acute hemodialysis complications?
- A. Cramps
  - B. Air embolism
  - C. Clotting of extracorporeal circuit
  - D. Hemolysis
  - E. Amyloidosis
32. Which of the following are advantages of peritoneal dialysis?
- A. No need for vascular access
  - B. Home-based therapy
  - C. Less risk of transmission of blood-borne viruses
  - D. It is performed less often than hemodialysis
  - E. Preserves the residual renal function
33. The membrane in peritoneal dialysis is formed by:
- A. Capillary endothelium
  - B. Supporting matrix
  - C. Peritoneal mesothelium
  - D. Cellulose membrane
  - E. Synthetic membranes
34. Which of the following are considered absolute contraindications to peritoneal dialysis?
- A. Inguinal, umbilical, or diaphragmatic hernias
  - B. No vascular access
  - C. Hemodynamic instability
  - D. High blood pressure
  - E. Peritonitis
35. Which of the following are absolute contraindications to peritoneal dialysis?
- A. Patient or caregiver unable to train adequately in the technique
  - B. Inguinal, umbilical, or diaphragmatic hernias (esp. pleuroperitoneal leak)
  - C. Ileostomy or colostomy
  - D. Abdominal wall infections or intra-abdominal sepsis, e.g. active diverticular disease
  - E. Prostate cancer
36. Types of peritoneal dialysis (PD) are:
- A. Continuous ambulatory PD
  - B. Automated PD
  - C. Tidal automated PD
  - D. Assisted automated PD
  - E. Weekly PD
37. Which of the following can be complications of peritoneal dialysis?
- A. Peritonitis
  - B. Catheter exit site infection
  - C. Drainage problems of the catheters
  - D. Air embolism
  - E. Peritoneal leaks
38. When it is preferred to elect peritoneal dialysis instead of hemodialysis?
- A. To preserve residual renal function

- B. The patient is hemodynamic instable
  - C. When the patient has many comorbidities
  - D. When the patient has a history of abdominal surgery
  - E. When the patient has peritonitis
39. What are the benefits of renal transplantation?
- A. Improved patient's quality of life
  - B. Improved patient survival
  - C. Cheaper for the health economics on the long run
  - D. No need for immunosuppression
  - E. No need for erythropoietin administration
40. Which of the following sentences regarding kidney transplantation are true:
- A. In the first few months after kidney transplantation the relative risk of death is higher compared to patients on hemodialysis.
  - B. After the first few months after kidney transplantation the relative risk of death is higher compared to patients on hemodialysis.
  - C. On the long run, survival rate is better in hemodialysis.
  - D. On the long run, survival rate is better in kidney transplantation.
  - E. On the long run, survival rate in hemodialysis is similar to kidney transplantation.
41. A major global issue related to kidney transplantation is:
- A. Immunosuppression
  - B. Supply of organs
  - C. Lack of donors
  - D. Cancer
  - E. Infectious diseases
42. In the typical recipient work-up it is included:
- A. Blood group
  - B. HLA type
  - C. Complete blood count
  - D. Whole body MRI
  - E. PET scan
43. To check for compatibility matching donor to recipient in kidney transplantation, you must consider:
- A. HLA
  - B. Anti-HLA antibodies
  - C. Blood group
  - D. Chest X-ray
  - E. Complete blood count
44. What are the advantages of live donor transplantation?
- A. Better graft and patient survival than deceased donor transplantation
  - B. The possibility to do pre-emptive transplants
  - C. Stress to donor and family
  - D. The increased risk of major surgical complication to the donor
  - E. The increased risk of donor to develop chronic kidney disease later in the lifetime
45. The transplanted kidney most commonly are implanted:
- A. In the right iliac fossa
  - B. In the place of the native kidney, after they are removed
  - C. In the left iliac fossa
  - D. In the abdomen, near the native kidney

- E. Behind the native kidney
46. Which of the following are true regarding the induction of immunosuppression after a kidney transplantation?
- A. Initially are used drugs in low dosages
  - B. Initially are used drugs in higher dosages
  - C. It is best to choose drugs that are going to be used subsequently for the maintenance of immunosuppression
  - D. There are is no need for induction of immunosuppression right after the surgery
  - E. Induction of immunosuppression is not required from live donor family member
47. What is included in the standard “triple therapy” of immunosuppression?
- A. A calcineurin inhibitor
  - B. An antimetabolite, such as azathioprine or mycophenolic acid
  - C. Low-dosage aspirin
  - D. Corticosteroids
  - E. Phosphate binders
48. Which can be acute complications after kidney transplantation?
- A. Bleeding
  - B. Lymphocele
  - C. Vascular thrombosis
  - D. Chronic rejection
  - E. Diabetes mellitus
49. What kind of graft rejections are?
- A. Acute rejection
  - B. Hyperacute rejection
  - C. Chronic rejection
  - D. Delayed graft function
  - E. Transitory rejection
50. Which of the following are true?
- A. BK nephropathy is caused by BK polyomavirus
  - B. BK nephropathy is a chronic viral infection
  - C. BK nephropathy is caused by *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*
  - D. BK nephropathy is an acute viral infection
  - E. BK nephropathy needs to be treated with an increased dosage of immunosuppression
51. Kidney-pancreas transplantation is considered the treatment of choice for:
- A. Diabetic patients with end-stage renal disease
  - B. Patients with acute pancreatitis and end-stage renal disease
  - C. Patients with gestational diabetes and renal diseases
  - D. Patients with polycystic kidney disease
  - E. Type 1 diabetes and chronic kidney disease G5 KDIGO

# Hereditary and Congenital Diseases of the Kidney

## Single choice

- Alport syndrome is caused by a defect in which protein:
  - Type IV collagen
  - Aquaporin
  - Na<sup>+</sup>/K<sup>+</sup>-ATPase
  - Tubulin
  - Hemoglobin
- Most of the cases of Alport syndrome are due to:
  - Mutations in the PAH gene on chromosome 12, which encodes phenylalanine hydroxylase
  - Hereditary deficiency of the enzyme  $\alpha$ -galactosidase
  - X-linked inherited mutation in the COL4A5 gene
  - Tobacco smoking
  - PKD1 or PKD2 gene mutations
- Alport syndrome usually has a more serious clinical course in which category groups:
  - Children
  - Females
  - It affects both males and females the same in most of the cases
  - Males
  - In female carriers
- Which of the following can be considered an alternative less invasive technique to kidney biopsy to assess for Alport syndrome?
  - Intraocular biopsy
  - Cochlear biopsy
  - Skin biopsy
  - Liver biopsy
  - Bladder biopsy
- To be able to see the changes in the glomerular basement membrane at immunohistochemistry, the kidney tissue should be stained for:
  - $\alpha$  chain of type IV collagen
  - IgA
  - IgG
  - IgM
  - IgE
- What is the specific treatment for Alport syndrome?
  - Intravenous infusion of collagen type IV
  - Collagen intradermal injections
  - Oral ingestion of essential amino acids
  - There is no specific treatment available
  - Oral metformin
- Which of the following is the preferred option for people who developed end-stage renal disease due to Alport syndrome?
  - Kidney transplantation
  - Hemodialysis
  - Peritoneal dialysis



- D. Plasmapheresis
  - E. Hemodiafiltration
8. What kind of antibodies may develop in <5% in patients transplanted Alport patients?
- A. ANCA (Antineutrophil Cytoplasmic Antibodies)
  - B. ANA (Anti-Nuclear Antibodies)
  - C. Rheumatoid factor
  - D. Anti-GBM (Anti-Glomerular Basement Membrane)
  - E. Anti-HBs
9. Structurally, in thin basement membrane nephropathy, the glomerular membrane:
- A. Is thinner than in normal individuals, usually <200 nm compared to  $\pm$  350nm
  - B. Has larger gaps than in normal individuals
  - C. Is thicker than in normal individuals
  - D. Has the same size as in normal individuals
  - E. Is absent
10. In thin basement membrane nephropathy, what gene is affected
- A. COL4A3 or COL4A4, as in Alport syndrome
  - B. PDK1
  - C. PKD2
  - D. PAH gene on chromosome 12, which encodes phenylalanine hydroxylase
  - E. GLA gene, that encodes for enzyme  $\alpha$ -galactosidase
11. The most common symptom of thin basement membrane nephropathy is:
- A. Proteinuria
  - B. Uremia
  - C. Hyperkalemia
  - D. Increased blood pressure
  - E. Microscopic hematuria
12. What are the extrarenal manifestations of thin basement membrane nephropathy?
- A. Liver cysts
  - B. Cerebral aneurysms
  - C. Pneumonitis
  - D. Thin basement membrane nephropathy has no extrarenal manifestations.
  - E. Enlarged lymph nodes
13. The management of thin basement membrane nephropathy includes:
- A. Annual follow-up of patients with uncomplicated thin basement membrane nephropathy
  - B. Immunosuppression
  - C. Collagen injections to correct the defected COL4A gene
  - D. Steroids
  - E. Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
14. Anterior lenticonus is considered a pathognomonic sign for which of the following disease?
- A. Thin basement membrane nephropathy
  - B. Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease (PKD)
  - C. Fabry disease
  - D. Gitelman syndrome
  - E. Alport syndrome
15. Fabry disease is caused by a deficiency of what enzyme:
- A. Xanthine oxidase
  - B. Amylase

- C. Alanine transaminase
  - D.  $\alpha$ -galactosidase A ( $\alpha$ -Gal A)
  - E. Aspartate transaminase
16. The best management method in Fabry disease is:
- A. Enzyme replacement therapy, e.g. agalsidase
  - B. E inhibitors
  - C. Angiotensin receptors blockers
  - D. Immunosuppression with biological therapy
  - E. Steroids
17. The biggest flaw of enzyme replacement therapy in Fabry disease is:
- A. Severe side effects
  - B. Contraindications
  - C. High price
  - D. Large dosage
  - E. High incidence of allergic reactions
18. How many clinical variants of nephronophthisis have been described based upon the median age of onset of end-stage renal disease?
- A. 3 – infantile, juvenile, adolescent
  - B. 1 – infantile
  - C. 2 – young adult, adult
  - D. 5 – infantile, juvenile, adolescent, adult, geriatric
  - E. 4 – infantile, juvenile, adolescent, geriatric

### Multiple Choice

19. Which of the following are monogenic diseases of the kidney?
- A. Autosomal dominant polycystic kidney disease
  - B. IgA nephropathy
  - C. Membranous nephropathy
  - D. Poststreptococcal glomerulonephritis
  - E. Alport syndrome
20. Classically, Alport syndrome presents as a triad that includes:
- A. Family history of progressive nephropathy
  - B. Sensorineural deafness
  - C. Rapidly progressive glomerulonephritis
  - D. Ocular abnormalities
  - E. Multiple cysts in the kidney and liver
21. What is the pathogenesis of Alport syndrome?
- A. Defective basement membrane formation in the glomerulus, cochlea and eye
  - B. Formation of cysts in the renal cortex, eye and cochlea
  - C. Lesion of the renal tubules
  - D. Decreased metabolism of the amino acid phenylalanine
  - E. Defective  $\alpha$  chain of type IV collagen
22. What are the ocular manifestations in Alport syndrome?
- A. Conjunctivitis
  - B. Uveitis
  - C. Anterior lenticonus
  - D. Keratoconjunctivitis sicca
  - E. Retinal changes
23. You may suspect Alport syndrome in which of the following cases:

- A. A family history of Alport syndrome
  - B. A family history of progressive chronic kidney disease
  - C. A patient with anterior lenticonus
  - D. A patient with unilateral agenesis of kidney
  - E. A family history of kidney stones
24. Among the investigations that can help to diagnose Alport syndrome are:
- A. Next-generation molecular testing for detecting mutation in COL4
  - B. Kidney biopsy
  - C. Skin biopsy
  - D. Liver biopsy
  - E. Targeted mutation analysis
25. In a patient with Alport syndrome and proteinuria, treatment options include:
- A. E inhibitors
  - B. Angiotensin receptor blockers
  - C. Glucocorticosteroids
  - D.  $\beta$ -blockers
  - E. Immunosuppression
26. Why E inhibitors and angiotensin receptor blockers are used in patients with Alport syndrome:
- A. To treat high blood pressure, which is a risk factor for chronic kidney disease
  - B. To upregulate COL4A expression
  - C. To lower proteinuria
  - D. To treat the sensorineural deafness
  - E. To halt the progression of anterior lenticonus
27. What options are available to manage extrarenal manifestations in Alport syndrome?
- A. Hearing aids
  - B. Surgical management of anterior lenticonus, i.e. clear lens phacoemulsification.
  - C. Respiratory aids
  - D. Walking aids
  - E. Ureteric stents
28. Thin basement membrane nephropathy was previously known as “benign familial hematuria”, because:
- A. It usually presents only with microscopic hematuria and normal kidney function
  - B. It is an autosomal dominant condition
  - C. It is an inherited familial condition
  - D. It presents with multiple benign tumors in the kidney that can lead to hematuria
  - E. It is caused by a virus that is transmitted vertically, i.e. from mother to child
29. Thin basement membrane nephropathy is:
- A. A very rare disease, with less than 1000 people suffering from it globally
  - B. Present in 75% of post-mortem studies, according to one paper
  - C. Clinically diagnosed in less than 1% of the general population
  - D. Can be diagnosed only after death
  - E. The most common cause of nephrotic syndrome
30. Which of the following are possible clinical manifestations of thin basement membrane nephropathy?
- A. Microscopic hematuria
  - B. Macroscopic hematuria
  - C. Liver cysts
  - D. Heart failure

- E. Ocular impairment
31. Hematuria from glomerular origin can be suspected when:
- A. Red blood cells are deformed
  - B. There are also of R casts in the urinary sediment
  - C. There is also concomitant anemia
  - D. There is bacteriuria
  - E. The urinary Ph is acidic
32. The diagnosis of thin basement membrane nephropathy is usually inferred from:
- A. The benign presentation and course
  - B. The positive family history of hematuria
  - C. The negative family history of hematuria
  - D. The negative family history of kidney failure
  - E. Severe renal disease from birth
33. In which cases kidney biopsy is necessary when suspecting thin basement membrane nephropathy?
- A. When the patient is considered as a kidney donor
  - B. When patient plans a family with another individual with isolated hematuria being planned?
  - C. When the clinical manifestations are inconclusive, e.g. nephritic syndrome
  - D. When suspecting thin basement membrane nephropathy is associated with proteinuria
  - E. When the kidney function is normal
34. What can be observed at microscopy in a patient with thin basement membrane nephropathy?
- A. Conventional immunofluorescence is usually negative
  - B. Light microscopy is usually normal
  - C. On electron microscopy – reduction of glomerular basement membrane
  - D. Formation of glomerular crescent
  - E. Subepithelial immune deposits on immunofluorescence
35. Which of the following can help differentiate between thin basement membrane nephropathy and Alport syndrome?
- A. Presence of high blood pressure
  - B. Severe progressive renal failure
  - C. Deafness and anterior lenticonus
  - D. Hematuria
  - E. History of ESRD in family
36. Which of the following can be found in thin basement membrane nephropathy and Alport syndrome?
- A. Hematuria
  - B. Proteinuria
  - C. High blood pressure
  - D. History of end-stage renal disease in the family
  - E. Deafness
37. Which of the following can be found in Alport syndrome, but not in thin basement membrane nephropathy?
- A. Deafness
  - B. Anterior lenticonus
  - C. Severe renal dysfunction
  - D. Hematuria

- E. Proteinuria
38. Which of the following sentences are true?
- A. Thin basement membrane nephropathy is a benign disease
  - B. Thin basement membrane nephropathy will lead inevitable to end-stage renal disease
  - C. Alport syndrome can lead to end-stage renal disease
  - D. Anterior lenticonus is a pathognomonic sign for thin basement membrane nephropathy
  - E. Deafness is a typical manifestation of thin basement membrane nephropathy
39. Which of the following hereditary diseases can be X-linked?
- A. Fabry disease
  - B. Alport syndrome
  - C. Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease (PKD)
  - D. Autosomal Recessive Polycystic Kidney Disease (ARPKD)
  - E. Thalassemia
40. Which of the following skin manifestations can be present in Fabry disease?
- A. Telangiectasias on ears
  - B. Raynaud phenomenon
  - C. Extensive angiokeratomas
  - D. Gottron's papules
  - E. Malar rash
41. What tests can be helpful in the diagnosis of Fabry disease?
- A. Genetic mutational analysis of the GLA gene
  - B. Biopsy of the affected kidney with intracellular evidence of Gb3 inclusions
  - C. Echocardiography
  - D. MRI of the brain
  - E. Spirometry
42. What is included in the non-specific treatment of Fabry disease?
- A. E inhibitors
  - B. Angiotensin receptors blockers
  - C. Dialysis
  - D. Transplantation
  - E. Immunosuppression
43. Which of the following are characteristic for Bartter and Gitelman syndromes?
- A. Hypokalemia
  - B. Metabolic alkalosis
  - C. Hyperreninemia
  - D. Liver cysts
  - E. Renal cysts
44. Which of the following sentence is true regarding Bartter and Gitelman syndrome?
- A. Gitelman syndrome is a much more common disease than Bartter syndrome
  - B. Barter syndrome is a much more common disease than Gitelman syndrome
  - C. Barter syndrome is usually a less severe condition
  - D. It is very straightforward to diagnose
  - E. There is no specific treatment
45. The treatment of Bartter and Gitelman syndrome includes:
- A. Sodium, potassium, and magnesium supplements
  - B. NSAIDs and drugs that block distal tubule sodium-potassium exchange
  - C. Angiotensin inhibitors

- D. Kidney transplantation
  - E. Immunosuppression
46. Which of the following is true regarding von Hippel-Lindau?
- A. It is an inherited, autosomal dominant syndrome
  - B. It is manifested by a variety of benign and malignant tumors
  - C. There are two types based upon the likelihood of developing pheochromocytoma
  - D. Can lead to end-stage renal disease due to formation of multiple kidney cysts
  - E. Initial manifestations occur only in early childhood
47. Nephronophthisis must be differentially diagnosed with:
- A. Autosomal dominant polycystic kidney disease (PKD)
  - B. Autosomal recessive polycystic kidney disease (ARPKD)
  - C. Fabry disease
  - D. Alport disease
  - E. Thin basement membrane nephropathy
48. Renal transplantation in nephronophthisis is:
- A. Preferred, because outcome is excellent
  - B. Not preferred, because nephronophthisis is a systemic disease
  - C. Not preferred, because nephronophthisis is an autoimmune disease
  - D. Preferred, because recurrence of the tubular injury does not recur in the transplanted kidney
  - E. Not preferred, because there is recurrence of nephronophthisis on the transplanted kidney
49. Which of the following technologies may be helpful in the future to treat hereditary kidney diseases?
- A. Gene therapy
  - B. Gene editing, e.g. CRISP-Cas9
  - C. Gene silencing
  - D. Viral gene
  - E. Magnetic resonance of water molecules from urine
50. In case of renal cell carcinoma in von Hippel-Lindau disease, which of the following are the preferred methods of treatment?
- A. Hemodialysis
  - B. Peritoneal dialysis
  - C. Nephron sparing surgery
  - D. Nephrectomy, if nephron sparing surgery is not possible
  - E. Medication
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51. Which of the following renal manifestations can be found in patients with tuberous sclerosis complex?
- A. Angiomyolipoma
  - B. Benign cysts
  - C. Renal cell carcinoma
  - D. Glomerular diseases
  - E. Nephroptosis

# Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease (PKD)

## Single choice

- Which of the following is the most common genetic kidney disease worldwide?
  - PKD
  - ARPKD
  - Alport syndrome
  - Fabry disease
  - Fanconi disease
- Which of the following hereditary kidney disease is responsible for up to 10% patients with end-stage renal disease?
  - Alport syndrome
  - ARPKD
  - Diabetes mellitus type 2
  - Nephronophthisis
  - PKD
- Which of the following sentences regarding PKD is true?
  - PKD is induced by smoking during pregnancy
  - PKD is a X-linked hereditary disease
  - Most cases of PKD are caused by mutations of two genes: PKD1 or PKD2
  - PKD is a non-hereditary disease
  - PKD is a congenital disease
- Where in the kidney cysts are formed in PKD?
  - Glomerulus
  - Distal tubules and collecting ducts
  - Renal pelvis
  - Renal calyx
  - Ureters
- In later stages of PKD, how are the kidneys size?
  - Can grow 20 times bigger than normal
  - The size of the kidney does not change over the course of the disease
  - Smaller size than a healthy kidney, due to fibrosis
  - A little bit enlarged than a healthy kidney, due to compensation of functional nephrons
  - Size can vary from patient to patient, some have smaller size, while other patients can have enlarged kidneys
- In patients with PKD, what is the usual composition of kidney stones?
  - Uric acid or calcium oxalate
  - Struvite
  - Cystine
  - Collagen
  - Fibrine
- What is the preferred method to diagnose urinary stones in patients with PKD?
  - Ultrasound
  - CT urography
  - MRI with gadolinium contrast media
  - Scintigraphy

- E. Plain abdominal X-ray
8. Why ultrasound is not the method of choice in detecting renal stones in patients with PKD?
    - A. Large cysts can obscure the view of collecting system
    - B. It is invasive
    - C. It is very expensive
    - D. Takes a long time to perform the procedure
    - E. The patients need a special preparation
  9. Why the diagnosis of urinary tract infection in patients with PKD cannot be made solely after a urinalysis?
    - A. Because sterile pyuria can be often found in PKD
    - B. Because urinalysis only provides physical examination of the urine
    - C. Because urinalysis only provides chemical examination of the urine
    - D. Because urinalysis only provides macroscopic examination of the urine
    - E. Because PKD patients do not have any symptoms of urinary tract infection
  10. What should you suspect when a patient with PKD presents with flank pain, fever and negative urine culture?
    - A. Cystitis
    - B. Acute pyelonephritis
    - C. Cyst infection
    - D. Lower urinary tract infection
    - E. Urethritis
  11. Over the course of the disease which of the following manifestations almost all patient with PKD will develop?
    - A. Hypertension
    - B. Renal cancer
    - C. Cerebral aneurysm
    - D. Meningeal diverticula
    - E. Pancreas cysts
  12. In patients with PKD, the urine specific gravity is usually:
    - A. Low, due to concentrating defects
    - B. High, due to excretion of uric acid
    - C. Normal
    - D. Varied, depending on the presence of comorbidities
    - E. Low, due to increased glomerular filtration rate
  13. What is the range of proteinuria in patients with PKD?
    - A. Nephrotic-range proteinuria
    - B. Low-grade proteinuria
    - C. Usually >3.5 g/24h
    - D. Proteinuria is never present in patients with PKD
    - E. Light-chain proteinuria
  14. The most common extrarenal manifestation of PKD is:
    - A. Cerebral aneurysms
    - B. Arrhythmia
    - C. Pancreas cysts
    - D. Seminal vesicles cysts
    - E. Multiple hepatic cysts
  15. Which of the following is considered the most serious complication of PKD?
    - A. Lower urinary tract infection



- B. Nephrolithiasis
  - C. Ruptured cerebral aneurysm
  - D. Cyst infection
  - E. Anemia
16. Which test is preferred to assess cardiac abnormalities in patients with PKD?
- A. Heart MRI
  - B. Chest CT
  - C. Chest X-ray
  - D. Echocardiography
  - E. DXA (Dual-energy X-ray absorptiometry) scan
17. A difference between localized renal cystic disease and PKD is:
- A. Localized cystic disease is bilateral, while PKD unilateral
  - B. Localized cystic disease is unilateral, while PKD bilateral
  - C. Localized cystic disease leads to end-stage renal disease, while patients with PKD will never reach end-stage renal disease
  - D. Localized cystic disease is a hereditary disease
  - E. Localized cystic disease is a systemic disease
18. Which of the following drugs is considered a specific treatment for PKD?
- A. E-inhibitors, e.g. enalapril, ramipril
  - B. Angiotensin receptors blocker, e.g. valsartan
  - C. Low-dosage aspirin
  - D. Tolvaptan
  - E. NSAIDs
19. What is the general blood pressure goal in patients with PKD?
- A. <140/90 mmHg
  - B. <130/80 mmHg
  - C. <160/90 mmHg
  - D. <150/70 mmHg
  - E. <90/60 mmHg
20. What is the preferred drug for hypertension treatment in patients with PKD?
- A. Telmisartan
  - B. Furosemide
  - C. Low-dosage aspirin
  - D. Mannitol
  - E. Labetalol
21. What is the preferred drug for hypertension treatment in patients with PKD?
- A. Clonidine
  - B. Nifedipine
  - C. Ramipril
  - D. Propranolol
  - E. Indapamide
22. Which is the action of Tolvaptan, a novel and specific treatment for PKD?
- A. Vasopressin antagonists
  - B. Somatostatin analogues
  - C. E-inhibitor
  - D.  $\beta$ -blocker
  - E. Osmotic diuretic
23. When performing a kidney transplantation, it is recommended to:

- A. Perform unilateral pretransplantation nephrectomy of the polycystic kidney in all patients
  - B. Perform bilateral pretransplantation nephrectomy of the polycystic kidneys in all patients
  - C. Avoid nephrectomy whenever possible
  - D. Perform unilateral pretransplantation nephrectomy to make space for the graft
  - E. Perform nephrectomy in case of controlled hypertension
24. In the next picture you can see a macroscopic view a kidney and a cross-section, what diagnoses do you suspect?
- A. IgA nephropathy
  - B. Polycystic kidney disease
  - C. Pyelonephritis
  - D. Alport syndrome
  - E. Thin basement membrane nephropathy
25. Which of the following statements about PKD and intracranial aneurysm is true?
- A. All PKD patient should be screened for intracranial aneurysms
  - B. Most intracranial aneurysms rupture
  - C. The risk for rupture of an intracranial aneurysm depends on its size and location
  - D. Magnetic resonance angiography to screen for intracranial aneurysms is contraindicated in advanced chronic kidney disease (CKD) because it requires administration of gadolinium
  - E. None of the answers are true
26. Which of the following hereditary disease is the most common cause of end-stage renal disease worldwide?
- A. Alport syndrome
  - B. Autosomal Recessive Polycystic Kidney Disease (ARPKD)
  - C. Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease (PKD)
  - D. Bartter syndrome
  - E. Thin basement membrane nephropathy



### Multiple Choice

27. In most cases of PKD, which genes have mutations?
- A. PKD1
  - B. PKD2
  - C. COL4A
  - D. GLA gene, that encodes enzyme  $\alpha$ -GAL
  - E. PAH gene, that encodes for enzyme phenylalanine hydroxylase
28. What are the extrarenal manifestations of PKD?
- A. Polycystic liver disease
  - B. Cerebral aneurysms
  - C. Pancreas cysts
  - D. Small joint pain
  - E. Pneumonitis

29. What are the renal manifestations in PKD?
- A. Flank pain, which can be caused by cyst hemorrhage, infection or renal calculi
  - B. Nephrolithiasis
  - C. Hematuria
  - D. Urinary tract infection
  - E. Nephrotic syndrome
30. Hematuria in PKD can be caused by:
- A. A ruptured cyst
  - B. Nephrolithiasis
  - C. Urinary tract infection
  - D. Hypertension
  - E. Kidney neoplasm
31. Which of the following bacteria are often the cause of urinary tract infections in patients with PKD?
- A. *Escherichia coli*
  - B. *Klebsiella*
  - C. *Mycobacterium*
  - D. *Proteus*
  - E. *Moraxella catarrhalis*
32. Which of the following can present as a urinary tract infection in patients with PKD?
- A. Cystitis
  - B. Acute pyelonephritis
  - C. Cyst infection
  - D. Renal abscess
  - E. Vaginitis
33. Why is it important to diagnose hypertension in patients with PKD?
- A. Hypertension is an independent risk factor in the progression of CKD
  - B. Uncontrolled blood pressure increases morbidity and mortality
  - C. Hypertension is a major contributor in the progression of cardiovascular disease
  - D. Hypertension can lower the risk of lower urinary tract infections
  - E. Hypertension will lower the risk of nephrolithiasis
34. Which of the following sentences are true regarding renal cell carcinoma and PKD?
- A. Some studies have shown that RCC is more frequent in patients with PKD compared with the general population
  - B. It is difficult to diagnose renal cell carcinoma in PKD
  - C. A definite diagnosis of renal cell carcinoma can be made after percutaneous aspiration and cytological examination
  - D. An ultrasound of the kidney is the "gold standard" in diagnosing renal cell carcinoma in PKD
  - E. Screening for renal cell carcinoma should be done in all patients with PKD
35. Which of the following sentences are true regarding polycystic liver disease in PKD?
- A. Most common extrarenal manifestation
  - B. Associated with PKD1 and PKD2 genotypes
  - C. Hepatic cysts frequency increases with age
  - D. Hepatic cysts are always symptomatic
  - E. Hepatic cysts are rarely observed in patients with PKD
36. In which cases should you screen for cerebral aneurysm in patients with PKD?
- A. In all patients with PKD
  - B. High-risk patients with previous rupture

- C. A high-risk occupation (e.g. airline pilot)
  - D. Screening for cerebral aneurysm is never needed
  - E. A positive family history of an intracerebral bleed
37. Which of the following are preferred methods for screening of cerebral aneurysms?
- A. CT angiography
  - B. MRI with gadolinium medium contrast
  - C. Ultrasound of the cerebral arteries
  - D. Scintigraphy
  - E. Positron emission tomography scan
38. The most common cardiac abnormalities in patients with PKD are:
- A. Mitral valve prolapse
  - B. Aortic regurgitation
  - C. Cardiomyopathy
  - D. Wolff-Parkinson-White syndrome
  - E. Sinus arrhythmia
39. Patients with PKD can develop cysts in the following organs:
- A. Kidneys
  - B. Liver
  - C. Pancreas
  - D. Seminal vesicles
  - E. Lungs
40. The diagnosis of PKD is usually made:
- A. Clinical picture
  - B. Imaging of kidney
  - C. Medical history
  - D. Genetic testing
  - E. Specific blood tests
41. Which of the following sentences are true regarding the diagnosis of PKD?
- A. Genetic testing is done in every suspicion of PKD
  - B. The diagnosis of PKD relies principally upon imaging of the kidney
  - C. Ultrasonography is most commonly used imaging modality
  - D. Genetic testing is cheap because there is only one PKD mutation
  - E. Genetic testing is usually performed only for research purposes
42. PKD must be differentiated from which diseases:
- A. Multiple benign simple cysts
  - B. Localized renal cystic disease
  - C. Acquired renal cystic disease
  - D. Autosomal recessive polycystic kidney disease
  - E. IgA nephropathy
43. Which of the following characterize benign simple renal cysts?
- A. Simple renal cysts are uncommon in patients younger than 30 years old
  - B. Simple renal cysts will lead to end-stage renal disease
  - C. It is rare for patients aged 30 to 59 years to have benign simple renal cysts in each kidney
  - D. Simple renal cysts can manifest with nephrotic syndrome
  - E. Simple renal cysts are the main cause of chronic kidney disease globally
44. Acquired renal cystic disease is distinguished from PKD by:
- A. No family history in acquired renal cystic disease
  - B. The kidneys are small or normal in size in acquired renal cystic disease

- C. Acquired renal cystic disease is a hereditary disease
  - D. Acquired renal cystic disease has many extrarenal manifestations
  - E. On ultrasound, the contour of acquired renal cystic disease is smooth, while on PKD, kidneys have a cystic contour
45. In patients with PKD, it is recommended:
- A. To increase the intake of sodium, >4 grams per day
  - B. To decrease the intake of sodium, <2 grams per day
  - C. To decrease the intake of sodium, because it was associated with a lower risk of CKD progression
  - D. To decrease the intake of sodium, because it was associated with a lower risk of kidney growth
  - E. To decrease the intake of sodium, to decrease the risk of nephrolithiasis
46. In patients with PKD, it is recommended:
- A. Increase fluid intake, if GFR >30 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>
  - B. Increase fluid intake, if GFR <30 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>
  - C. Increase fluid intake, if renal function preserved, because increased fluid intake inhibits cyst growth
  - D. Increase fluid intake in end-stage renal disease
  - E. Increase fluid and sodium intake
47. When it would be advisable to perform a unilateral or bilateral nephrectomy in patients with PKD?
- A. There are recurrent infections
  - B. Suspected malignancy
  - C. Uncontrollable renal hemorrhage among patients who have a contraindication to or failure of intra-arterial embolization.
  - D. Development of ventral hernia due to massive kidney sizes.
  - E. Unilateral or bilateral nephrectomy should be performed in all patients
48. Which of the following sentences are true regarding hemodialysis and PKD?
- A. Survival of patients with PKD undergoing hemodialysis is better compared with other patients
  - B. There is a lower incidence of coronary artery disease in patients with PKD compared with other patients on hemodialysis
  - C. Survival of patients with PKD undergoing hemodialysis is worse compared with other patients
  - D. The vascular access for hemodialysis is more difficult in patients with PKD
  - E. Hemodialysis is a contraindication in patients with PKD
49. Which of the following risk factors have been proven to influence the progression of renal disease in PKD?
- A. Genetic factors, i.e. patients with mutations in PKD2 gene develop fewer cysts and progress more slowly
  - B. Kidney size
  - C. Hypertension
  - D. Early onset of symptoms
  - E. Female sex
50. The treatment of a cyst hemorrhage in PKD includes:
- A. Bed rest
  - B. Analgesics, if it is associated with pain
  - C. Increased fluid intake to prevent obstructing clots
  - D. Low-molecular-weight heparin

E. E inhibitors

# Diabetic nephropathy

## Single choice

1. Which patients will represent the majority in the dialysis department worldwide?
  - A. Polycystic kidney disease
  - B. Glomerular diseases
  - C. Obesity
  - D. Diabetes mellitus
  - E. Obstructive uropathy
2. The most unfavorable progression factor of diabetic nephropathy is:
  - A. Itching
  - B. Hematuria
  - C. Proteinuria
  - D. Bacteremia
  - E. Uricosuria
3. Which classification is used for the staging of diabetic nephropathy?
  - A. NYHA
  - B. KDOQI
  - C. RIFLE
  - D. AKIN
  - E. Mogensen
4. Two of the most common causes leading to the installation of chronic terminal kidney disease are:
  - A. Allergies and diabetes
  - B. Infections and diabetes
  - C. Diabetes and hypertension
  - D. Infections and high blood pressure
  - E. Diabetes and obesity
5. Which category of drugs reduce the frequency of heart complications, peripheral vascular resistance and angiotensin II secretion:
  - A. Diuretics
  - B.  $\beta$ -blockers
  - C.  $\alpha$ 1-blockers
  - D. Calcium channel blockers
  - E. Angiotensin conversion enzyme inhibitors
6. The patient with diabetic nephropathy may require the administration of erythropoietin for the management of:
  - A. Anemia
  - B. Neutropenia
  - C. Pancytopenia
  - D. Thrombocytopenia
  - E. Hypoproteinemia
7. Proteinuria is a risk factor for the progression of diabetic nephropathy:
  - A. Which can be modified
  - B. Which cannot be modified
  - C. Proteinuria is not a risk factor
  - D. Proteinuria appears only in the terminal stage
  - E. Proteinuria has a favorable prognostic factor
8. At what values should blood pressure be lowered to obtain a nephroprotective effect:

- A. Systolic blood pressure below 120 mmHg, if well tolerated
  - B. Diastolic blood pressure over 90 mmHg
  - C. Systolic blood pressure below 120 mmHg, even if not well tolerated
  - D. Systolic blood pressure above 140 mmHg, if well tolerated
  - E. Systolic blood pressure below 90 mmHg
9. By what mechanism it is considered that angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors reduce proteinuria:
- A. Dilation of efferent arteriole with decrease of intraglomerular pressure
  - B. Decreased systolic hypertension
  - C. Decreased diastolic hypertension
  - D. Reduction of Na reabsorption in the collecting tubes
  - E. Direct inhibition of renin
10. The term uremia generally means:
- A. BUN levels
  - B. Urea concentration in the blood
  - C. Increased creatinine in the blood
  - D. Clinical syndrome resulting from marked loss of renal function
  - E. Increased uric acid in the blood
11. The main cause of anemia in patients with diabetic nephropathy is:
- A. Decreased erythropoietin synthesis
  - B. Presence of erythropoietin inhibitors
  - C. Hemolysis
  - D. Gastrointestinal bleeding
  - E. Deficiency of folic acid and vitamin B12
12. What drugs are given to treat hyperlipidemia in diabetic nephropathy:
- A. Statins
  - B. Angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors
  - C. Angiotensin receptor blockers
  - D. Phosphorus chelators
  - E. Laxatives
13. Which of the following situations are the predisposing factors for urinary tract infections?
- A. Hypertension
  - B. Acute pancreatitis
  - C. Male sex
  - D. Diabetes
  - E. Young age
14. Which of the following statements defines polyuria?
- A. Abnormal growth of the number of micturition in 24 hours
  - B. Increased diuresis over 2000 ml / 24 hours
  - C. Involuntary or unconscious emission of urine
  - D. The need to urinate as soon as the sensation of urination has appeared
  - E. Inability to urinate

Answer B

15. Isolated detection of hyaline cylinders in the diabetic patient's urine demonstrates:
- A. Chronic glomerulonephritis
  - B. Chronic pyelonephritis
  - C. Renal amyloidosis
  - D. Renal pathology without specifying the disease



- E. It has no diagnostic value
- 16. Select the FALSE sentence regarding transient proteinuria:
  - A. Appears in febrile conditions
  - B. Appears after exposure to high or low temperatures
  - C. It disappears with the removal of the causal factor
  - D. It does not disappear when the causal factor is removed
  - E. The proteinuria values usually do not exceed 1g / 24 hours
- 17. Select the methods that CANNOT differentiate hematuria from diabetic nephropathy with hematuria from urological pathologies:
  - A. CT urogram
  - B. Urinary sediment microscopy
  - C. Cystoscopy
  - D. Ultrasonography of the kidneys and bladder
  - E. Radioisotope renography
- 18. Select the FALSE statement regarding renal edema:
  - A. Has a tendency towards generalization (anasarca)
  - B. Skin temperature is normal
  - C. It is soft
  - D. It is located periorbital, legs
  - E. It is accompanied by increased skin temperature
- 19. Which of the following groups of drugs has a significant nephroprotective (antiproteinuric) effect in diabetic nephropathy?
  - A. Angiotensin receptor blockers
  - B. Diuretics
  - C. Antiplatelet
  - D. Antibiotics
  - E. Ketoanalogues
- 20. Which group of diuretics is most indicated in the symptomatic treatment of edema in diabetic nephropathy?
  - A. K-sparing diuretics
  - B. Thiazide diuretics
  - C. Loops diuretics
  - D. The diuretic group has no importance in the effectiveness of the treatment
  - E. Osmotic diuretics

### **Multiple Choice**

- 21. Frequently, nephrotic syndrome in adults is caused by:
  - A. Diabetic nephropathy
  - B. Focal and segmental glomerulosclerosis
  - C. Benign nephroangiosclerosis
  - D. Chronic pyelonephritis
  - E. Membrane glomerulonephritis
- 22. The risk factors involved in the occurrence of acute renal failure secondary to the administration of iodinated contrast agents are:
  - A. Pre-existing chronic kidney disease
  - B. Diabetic nephropathy
  - C. Excessive quantities of contrast substance
  - D. Hypovolemia
  - E. Obesity
- 23. Proteinuria in diabetic nephropathy:

- A. Bence-Jones protein
  - B. In later stages – macroalbuminuria
  - C. Made of high-molecular weight proteins
  - D. In early stages – microalbuminuria
  - E. It is always present
24. Which statements are FALSE regarding the etiological treatment of acute pyelonephritis in a diabetic patient:
- A. It starts before the harvest of the urine culture
  - B. The results of urine culture are expected
  - C. Initially empirical
  - D. Parenteral therapy is more effective
  - E. In all cases, antibacterial monotherapy is preferred
25. Which patient groups have an increased risk of developing chronic kidney disease?
- A. Patients with diabetes
  - B. Patients with high blood pressure
  - C. Patients with systemic diseases such as SLE
  - D. Patients with a family history of renal disease
  - E. Patients with seronegative spondylitis
26. Conditions commonly associated with chronic tubulointerstitial nephropathy are:
- A. Chronic viral hepatitis
  - B. Diabetes
  - C. Decompensated chronic tonsillitis
  - D. Bladder-ureteral reflux
  - E. Systemic vasculitis
27. General factors favoring urinary tract infection are:
- A. Diabetes
  - B. Male sex
  - C. Bladder-ureteral reflux
  - D. Renal lithiasis
  - E. Extreme ages (children, the elderly)
28. Local (reno-urinary) factors favoring urinary tract infection are:
- A. Renal lithiasis
  - B. Diabetes
  - C. Bladder-ureteral reflux
  - D. Female sex
  - E. Pregnancy
29. Which of the following groups have an increased risk of urinary tract infections:
- A. Pregnant women
  - B. Kidney transplantation recipients
  - C. Patients with renal lithiasis
  - D. Men under 20 years
  - E. Patients with diabetes
30. The formation of edema in nephrotic syndrome is explained by:
- A. Decreased plasma oncotic pressure
  - B. Activation of the renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system
  - C. Increased vasopressin secretion
  - D. Installation of renal vein thrombosis
  - E. In some cases, the primary retention of water and salt
31. The basic pathogenetic links that lead to proteinuria in the diabetic kidney are:

- A. Reduction of the negative charge of the glomerular basement membrane
  - B. Alteration of the glomerular basement membrane by lysosomal folders
  - C. Glomerular hypertension
  - D. Reduction of plasma oncotic pressure
  - E. Hyperperfusion of renal glomeruli
32. Renal impairment in diabetes can be manifested by:
- A. Acute nephritic syndrome
  - B. Nephrotic syndrome
  - C. Asymptomatic urinary abnormalities
  - D. Rapidly progressive nephritic syndrome
  - E. Lack of changes
33. What symptoms are characteristic for diabetic nephropathy?
- A. High blood pressure
  - B. Pain in the lumbar region
  - C. Urinalysis changes
  - D. Swelling
  - E. Vesical tenesmus
34. Hemodynamic disorders of diabetic nephropathy are conditioned by:
- A. Hypervolemia
  - B. Retention of sodium and water
  - C. Hyperreninemia
  - D. Increased concentration of prostaglandins
  - E. Vascular spasm
35. The basic role in the pathogenesis of hypertension in diabetic kidney diseases is played by:
- A. Retention of sodium and water
  - B. Increasing circulating blood volume and beating volume
  - C. Renal artery constriction (vasorenal mechanism)
  - D. Hyper catecholamine
  - E. Increased cortisol levels in the blood
36. Which of the following causes can cause secondary glomerular nephropathy?
- A. Viral hepatitis B
  - B. Diabetes mellitus
  - C. Systemic lupus erythematosus
  - D. Mesangial IgA storage
  - E.  $\beta$ -hemolytic streptococcus
37. Which antihypertensive drug has an antiproteinuric effect, useful in the treatment of diabetic nephropathy?
- A. Angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors
  - B. Loops diuretics
  - C. Central antihypertensives
  - D. Angiotensin receptor blockers
  - E.  $\beta$ -blockers
38. The modifiable risk factors for the progression of diabetic nephropathy are:
- A. Sex and weight
  - B. Genetic factors
  - C. Proteinuria
  - D. High blood pressure
  - E. Blood glucose and body weight

39. Risk factors that cannot be modified for the progression of diabetic nephropathy are:
- A. Sex
  - B. Genetic factors
  - C. Proteinuria
  - D. Glycemia
  - E. Age
40. What are the characteristics of decompensated diabetic nephropathy?
- A. Increased serum creatinine
  - B. Decreased serum urea
  - C. Decreased serum potassium
  - D. Anemia
  - E. Increased serum potassium
41. For the management of anemia in diabetic nephropathy:
- A. Administration of erythropoietin
  - B. Intravenous iron administration
  - C. Administration of conversion enzyme inhibitors
  - D. Administration of potassium by bone
  - E. Administration of direct renin inhibitors
42. What are the signs of hyperkalemia on ECG?
- A. The expanded QRS complex
  - B. High T wave
  - C. Increasing the PR interval
  - D. Supraventricular tachycardia
  - E. Deviation of the cardiac axis to the left
43. In order to slow the progression of diabetic nephropathy it is important to:
- A. Control blood pressure
  - B. Reduce proteinuria
  - C. Reduction of dietary protein intake
  - D. Administer parenteral physiological solution
  - E. Administer non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
44. Which of the following drugs are considered the first line for the control of high blood pressure in patients with diabetic nephropathy:
- A. Angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors
  - B. Angiotensin receptor blockers
  - C. Dihydropyridine calcium channel blockers (such as Amlodipine, Nifedipine)
  - D. Diuretics as monotherapy
  - E. Adrenergic  $\alpha_2$  agonists - clonidine
45. Why angiotensin-converting-enzyme inhibitors are considered nephroprotective
- A. Reduce intraglomerular pressure through vasodilation of the efferent arteriole
  - B. Reduce proteinuria
  - C. Lower blood pressure values
  - D. Reduce the formation of cytokines, such as TGF- $\beta$ , which play a role in glomerulosclerosis
  - E. Increase intraglomerular pressure
46. To what extent is it recommended to reduce protein intake in a diabetic kidney patient?
- A. At 0.8 g / kg / day + urinary losses
  - B. It is not recommended to reduce protein intake in patients with chronic kidney disease and severe malnutrition
  - C. At 1.5 g / kg / day + urinary losses

- D. At 2.0 g / kg / day + urinary losses
  - E. At 3.0 g / kg / day + urinary losses
47. Why is it advisable to restrict the intake of NaCl in diabetic nephropathy?
- A. To optimize the anti-proteinuric effect of the inhibitors of the conversion enzyme of angiotensin, sartans and non-dihydropyridine calcium channel blockers
  - B. To control blood pressure
  - C. To reduce glucose uptake into proximal tubes
  - D. To optimize the erythropoiesis process
  - E. To reduce albuminuria
48. What are the main recommendations for slowing the progression of diabetic nephropathy?
- A. Blood pressure control
  - B. Treatment with angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors
  - C. Reduction of proteinuria
  - D. Blood glucose control
  - E. Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory therapy
49. Which of the following sentences are true regarding SGLT2 inhibitors in diabetic patients?
- A. It has been proven to have a cardioprotective
  - B. It has been proven to have a nephroprotective
  - C. SGLT2 inhibitors promote the renal excretion of glucose
  - D. SGLT2 inhibitors are contraindicated in diabetes mellitus
  - E. SGLT2 inhibitors have a weight-loss effect
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50. What are the reasons of increased incidence of diabetic nephropathy?
- A. Increased incidence of type 2 diabetes mellitus
  - B. Improved life expectancy for these patients
  - C. Better access to end-stage renal disease care
  - D. Exponential growth of the global population
  - E. Less effective antidiabetic drugs
51. Which of the following are risk factors for the development and progression of diabetic nephropathy in type 1 and type 2 diabetes mellitus?
- A. Poor glycemic control
  - B. Hypertension
  - C. Female gender
  - D. Low levels of uric acid in serum
  - E. Anemia
52. Which of the following are risk factor for the development and progression of diabetic nephropathy in type 1 and type 2 diabetes mellitus?
- A. Smoking
  - B. Male gender
  - C. Socio-economic factors, esp. poverty
  - D. Strict glycemic control
  - E. Normal blood pressure
53. What are the first signs in diabetic nephropathy?
- A. Renal hypertrophy
  - B. Renal hyperfiltration
  - C. Increased glomerular filtration rate

- D. Decreased kidney size
  - E. Severe proteinuria
54. What does hyperglycemia induce in the kidney?
- A. Stimulates mesangial cell matrix production and cell growth, leading to early glomerular enlargement.
  - B. Advanced glycation end-product accumulates in the kidneys
  - C. Stimulates production of erythropoietin
  - D. Stimulates production of self-antibodies
  - E. Inhibits the production of the renin in the kidney
55. Which of the following sentences are true regarding renin-angiotensin system (RAS) in diabetic nephropathy?
- A. Activation of local renal RAS, which promotes cell growth and matrix accumulation
  - B. There is no benefit in inhibition of RAS with medication
  - C. Angiotensin II generates reactive oxidative species and NPH oxidase in vascular smooth muscle and the kidney.
  - D. Activation of RAS, leads to decrease of a decrease of angiotensin
  - E. There is a benefit in RAS inhibition
56. Which of the following paths are induced by hyperglycemia in the kidney?
- A. Promotes excretion of potassium
  - B. Stimulates mesangial cell matrix production and cell growth, leading to early glomerular enlargement
  - C. Increases expression of glomerular TGF-  $\beta$
  - D. Leads to activity of protein kinase C and hexosamine pathways
  - E. Promotes secretion of urinary casts
57. Which of the following are included in the primary prevention of diabetic nephropathy?
- A. Improve glycemic control
  - B. Control blood pressure
  - C. Encourage weight loss
  - D. Encourage exercise
  - E. Encourage increased intake of sodium
58. Which of the following may require a kidney biopsy in a patient with diabetes mellitus?
- A. Rapidly deteriorating GFR, despite good blood pressure and glycemic control
  - B. Symptoms or signs suggestive of a multisystem disorder
  - C. Rapid onset, rapidly increasing proteinuria
  - D. Suggestive signs and symptoms of diabetic nephropathy
  - E. A long duration of diabetes mellitus with specific changes in the retina
59. Why it is recommended to start treating blood pressure with renin-angiotensin system (RAS) blockade in patients with diabetic nephropathy?
- A. RAS blockade reduce the risk of progression of microalbuminuria
  - B. RAS blockade reduce the risk of myocardial infarction
  - C. RAS blockade increase the GFR
  - D. RAS blockade reduce risk of cardiovascular events
  - E. RAS blockade reduce hyperkalemia
60. Why it is recommended to lower sodium intake in patients with diabetic nephropathy?
- A. A low-salt diet enhances the renoprotective effects of angiotensin receptor blockers
  - B. A low-salt diet has been proven to lower the blood pressure
  - C. A low-salt diet can reduce the serum cholesterol levels

- D. A low-salt diet improves glomerular filtration rate on a short-term
- E. A low-salt diet helps in the glycemic control

# Renal involvement in systemic diseases

## Single choice

1. What renal-urinary complication can appear in severe and long-term evolution of rheumatoid arthritis?
  - A. Pyelonephritis
  - B. Renal amyloidosis
  - C. Nephrolithiasis
  - D. Hydronephrosis
  - E. Urethritis
2. Renal involvement in rheumatoid arthritis can manifest as:
  - A. Glomerulonephritis
  - B. Pyelonephritis
  - C. Polycystic kidney
  - D. Urate nephropathy
  - E. Nephroptosis
3. Characteristic kidney modification in rheumatoid arthritis is:
  - A. Bacteriuria
  - B. Leukocyturia
  - C. Proteinuria
  - D. Rheumatoid nodules
  - E. Hydronephrosis
4. Use of which drug in the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis could damage the kidneys?
  - A. Methotrexate
  - B. Prednisone
  - C. NSAIDs
  - D. Folic acid
  - E. Hydroxychloroquine
5. Rheumatic diseases directly associated with renal involvement is:
  - A. Osteoporosis
  - B. Osteoarthritis
  - C. Systemic lupus erythematosus
  - D. Diabetes mellitus
  - E. Acute post-streptococcal glomerulonephritis
6. The main urinary sign in lupus nephritis, according to R/EULAR, 2018 diagnostic criteria, is:
  - A. High levels of serum creatinine
  - B. Leukocyturia
  - C. Proteinuria >0.5 g/24h
  - D. Uraturia
  - E. Bacteriuria
7. Select the adequate dosage of corticosteroids for a patient with severe lupus nephritis:
  - A. 0.1–0.5 mg/kg/day
  - B. 0.75 mg/kg/day
  - C. 1.0-2.0 mg/kg/day
  - D. 3.0-4.0 mg/kg/day
  - E. >4 mg/kg/day
8. Which of following is NOT an immunological abnormality seen in lupus nephritis?
  - A. Lymphopenia



- B. Increased titer of anti-dsDNA antibodies
  - C. Antinuclear antibodies
  - D. Increased circulating immune complexes
  - E. Anti-Sm antibodies
9. Pulse-therapy in lupus nephritis include:
    - A. Prednisone up to 1 mg/kg/day
    - B. Methylprednisolone 500-1000 mg/day
    - C. Azathioprine 100-150 mg/day
    - D. Mycophenolate mofetil 150 mg/day
    - E. Methotrexate 15 mg/week
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    - B. Azathioprine 100-150 mg/day
    - C. Mycophenolate mofetil 150 mg/day
    - D. Methotrexate 15 mg/week
    - E. Cyclophosphamide 0,5-1g/m<sup>2</sup>
  11. Combined pulse-therapy in lupus nephritis include:
    - A. Prednisone 30 mg/day + Methotrexate 15 mg/week
    - B. Methylprednisolone 20 mg/day + Azathioprine 100 mg/day
    - C. Prednisone 60 mg/day + Mycophenolate mofetil 150 mg/day
    - D. Methylprednisolone 1000 mg/day + Cyclophosphamide 0,5-1g/m<sup>2</sup>
    - E. Methylprednisolone 32 mg/day + Plaquenil 200 mg/day.
  12. What cytostatic drugs are more frequently used in lupus nephritis to induce remission?
    - A. Methotrexate
    - B. Azathioprine
    - C. Vincristine
    - D. Cyclophosphamide
    - E. Hydroxychloroquine
  13. Glucocorticoid treatment in lupus nephritis to maintain remission includes:
    - A. Doses of 1-2 mg/kg/day divided in multiple administrations
    - B. Single morning maintenance dose up to 10 mg/day of Prednisone
    - C. Prednisone 1 mg/kg/day + Vincristine
    - D. Pulse-therapy with methylprednisolone combined with Cyclophosphamide
    - E. Methotrexate 15 mg/week
  14. The treatment of lupus nephritis with cytostatic drug aims:
    - A. Achieve remission
    - B. Maintain remission
    - C. Decrease of the risk of end stage chronic kidney disease
    - D. All mentioned above
    - E. None mentioned above
  15. Renal involvement in systemic sclerosis is clinically manifested by:
    - A. Malignant arterial hypertension
    - B. Renal calculi
    - C. Acute pyelonephritis
    - D. Polycystic kidney
    - E. Nephroptosis
  16. Which of the following is hematologic sign of scleroderma renal crisis?
    - A. Thrombocytopenia
    - B. Proteinuria

- C. Leukocyturia
  - D. Thrombocytosis
  - E. Oliguria or progressive anuria
17. The renal manifestations found in Microscopic Polyangiitis are the following, EXPT:
    - A. Rapidly progressive glomerulonephritis
    - B. Hematuria
    - C. Decrease in eGFR
    - D. Palpable purpura
    - E. Proteinuria
  18. Which of the following vasculitis is associated with IgA-nephropathy?
    - A. Polyarteritis nodosa (PAN)
    - B. Takayasu arteritis (TA)
    - C. Granulomatosis with polyangiitis (Wegener)
    - D. IgA vasculitis (Henoch-Schönlein purpura)
    - E. Cryoglobulinemic vasculitis associated with viral hepatitis HCV
  19. All of the following are signs of renal involvement in ANCA-associated vasculitis, EXPT:
    - A. Edema
    - B. Oliguria
    - C. Livedo reticularis
    - D. Renal failure
    - E. Hematuria
  20. Which of the following pathogenetic mechanisms is NOT characteristic for glomerulonephritis in polyarteritis nodosa?
    - A. Proliferative segmental or diffuse glomerulonephritis
    - B. Development of a chronic inflammatory process in the vessel wall
    - C. Fibrinoid necrosis of the interlobular and arcuate arteries
    - D. Granuloma formation
    - E. Necrotizing glomerulonephritis with extra-capillary proliferation
  21. Which is the most characteristic renal involvement in IgA deposit vasculitis (Henoch – Schönlein)?
    - A. IgA nephropathy (IgA antibodies anti- $\alpha$  galactosyl).
    - B. Granuloma formation
    - C. Fibrinoid necrosis of the interlobular and arcuate arteries
    - D. Tubulointerstitial nephritis
    - E. Pyonephrosis
  22. Which of the following characterizes Goodpasture syndrome?
    - A. Fibrinoid necrosis of the interlobular and arcuate arteries
    - B. Glomerular involvement mediated by anti-GBM antibodies
    - C. IgA nephropathy
    - D. Pauci-immune glomerulonephritis
    - E. Tubulointerstitial nephritis
  23. In young women, glomerulonephritis, mostly is a manifestation of:
    - A. Dermatomyositis
    - B. Systemic lupus erythematosus
    - C. Systemic sclerosis
    - D. Henoch-Schönlein purpura
    - E. Rheumatic Polymyalgia
  24. Goodpasture syndrome could manifest with following signs, EXPT:
    - A. Recurrent episodes of hemoptysis

- B. Progressive renal failure
  - C. Proteinuria
  - D. Pyuria
  - E. Basal pulmonary infiltrates
25. Which of following is the characteristic for Goodpasture syndrome?
- A. ANA antibodies
  - B. Serum anti-GBM antibodies
  - C. ANCA antibodies
  - D. Anti-dsDNA
  - E. Anti-U1-RNP
26. Lupus nephritis could manifest with following:
- A. Acute nephritis syndrome
  - B. Nephrotic syndrome
  - C. Hematuria
  - D. All of the above
  - E. None of the above
27. Which of the following conditions could be associated with glomerulonephritis?
- A. Osteoporosis
  - B. Fibromyalgia
  - C. Systemic lupus erythematosus
  - D. Multiple myeloma
  - E. Gout
28. Suspicion of vasculitis in patient with glomerulonephritis is needed when patient presents following:
- A. Palpable purpura
  - B. Pulmonary hemorrhage
  - C. Involvement of ENT organs
  - D. All of the answers are correct
  - E. None of the above

### **Multiple Choice**

29. Renal disorders related to rheumatoid arthritis and its complications are?
- A. Membranous Nephropathy
  - B. Pyelonephritis
  - C. Focal mesangial proliferative glomerulonephritis
  - D. Amyloidosis
  - E. Persistent inflammatory synovitis
30. Use of which drugs in the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis could damage kidneys?
- A. NSAIDs
  - B. Methotrexate
  - C. Prednisone
  - D. Gold salts
  - E. D-penicillamine
31. Rheumatic diseases that could cause kidney damage are:
- A. Rheumatoid arthritis
  - B. Osteoarthritis
  - C. Systemic lupus erythematosus
  - D. Systemic vasculitis
  - E. Osteoporosis
32. Renal impairment in ankylosing spondylitis can be presented by:

- A. Chronic pyelonephritis
  - B. Acute kidney injury
  - C. IgA nephropathy
  - D. Fanconi syndrome
  - E. Renal amyloidosis
33. Select the extra – renal manifestation of lupus nephritis:
- A. Proteinuria
  - B. Hematuria
  - C. Malar rash
  - D. Nephrotic syndrome
  - E. Mucosal lesions
34. Which type of renal impairment are included in ISN/RPS -2003 classification of lupus nephritis?
- A. Minimal mesangial nephritis
  - B. Mesangial-proliferative nephritis
  - C. Anti-GBM glomerulonephritis
  - D. Diffuse sclerotic (>90% sclerotic glomeruli) nephritis
  - E. Fibrinoid necrosis of the interlobular and arcuate arteries
35. Which of following are immunological abnormalities seen in lupus nephritis?
- A. Lymphopenia
  - B. Increased titer of anti-dsDNA antibodies
  - C. Antinuclear antibodies
  - D. Increased ESR
  - E. Thrombocytopenia
36. The treatment of lupus nephritis includes following drugs:
- A. Prednisone
  - B. Cyclophosphamide
  - C. Mycophenolate mofetil
  - D. Azathioprine
  - E. Febuxostat
37. What cytostatic drugs are more frequently used in lupus nephritis to maintain remission?
- A. Methotrexate
  - B. Azathioprine
  - C. Mycophenolate mofetil
  - D. Cyclophosphamide
  - E. Hydroxychloroquine
38. Cytostatic immunosuppressive drugs recommended in the treatment of lupus nephritis are:
- A. Cyclophosphamide
  - B. D-penicillamine
  - C. Azathioprine
  - D. Mofetil mycophenolate
  - E. Vincristine
39. The remission maintenance treatment of lupus nephritis includes:
- A. Prednisolone 70-80 mg/day
  - B. Prednisolone 5-10 mg/day
  - C. Azathioprine 150 mg/day
  - D. Methotrexate 15 mg/week

- E. Cyclophosphamide 1 gram i/v once every 2-3 months
40. Which of the following are signs and symptoms of renal involvement in systemic sclerosis?
- A. Hydronephrosis
  - B. Proteinuria
  - C. Marked leukocyturia
  - D. Arterial hypertension
  - E. Oliguria or progressive anuria
41. Which of the following are risk factor of scleroderma renal crisis?
- A. Leukocyturia
  - B. Corticosteroid use
  - C. Diffuse skin disease
  - D. Presence of anti-RNA polymerase antibodies
  - E. Limited skin disease
42. Which of the following manifestations are characteristic for nephritis in microscopic polyangiitis?
- A. Positive test for MPO-ANCA
  - B. Oliguria
  - C. Mononeuritis multiplex
  - D. Proteinuria
  - E. Hematuria
43. Which of the following clinical manifestations are found in Goodpasture syndrome (anti-glomerular basement membrane disease)?
- A. Microhematuria
  - B. Subnephrotic proteinuria
  - C. Mononeuritis multiplex
  - D. Arterial hypertension
  - E. Progressive renal failure
44. In the treatment of secondary glomerulonephritis are used:
- A. Methylprednisolone
  - B. Amoxicillin
  - C. D-penicillamine
  - D. Cyclophosphamide
  - E. Azathioprine
45. Which of the following are correct affirmations for IgA nephropathy?
- A. Nephrotic syndrome develops in majority patients
  - B. Asymptomatic hematuria is frequent sign
  - C. Children <10 years old are more common affected
  - D. Deposits of IgA in glomerular mesangium are found
  - E. Time relationship with streptococci infections
46. What antibodies can be found in the serum of patients in rapidly progressive glomerulonephritis due to small vessel vasculitis?
- A. ANCA-MPO
  - B. ANCA-PR3
  - C. Rheumatoid factor
  - D. Anti-Phospholipase A2 Receptor Antibody
  - E. Anti-HBs antibody
47. In a patient with suspected ANCA-associated vasculitis, which of the following investigations should be performed?

- A. Testing for ANCA binding pattern
  - B. Urinalysis
  - C. Autoimmune serology, i.e. anti-GBM, anti-dsDNA
  - D. Chest CT
  - E. Dual-energy X-ray absorptiometry (DXA)
48. Which disease can manifest with scleroderma renal crisis?
- A. Systemic lupus erythematosus
  - B. Systemic sclerosis
  - C. Multiple sclerosis
  - D. Rheumatoid arthritis
  - E. ANCA-associated vasculitis
49. Which sentences are true regarding scleroderma renal crisis?
- A. A syndrome of acute kidney injury with increased blood pressure
  - B. Progression to end-stage renal disease quite often (up to 50%)
  - C. It is a complication of rheumatoid arthritis
  - D. E-inhibitors are the mainstay of therapy
  - E. Biopsy of the kidney is necessary to assess prognostic information
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50. Which of the following can be the cause of renal amyloid?
- A. Rheumatoid arthritis
  - B. Chronic inflammatory disease, such as rheumatoid arthritis, psoriatic arthritis
  - C. Chronic infections, such as TB, osteomyelitis
  - D. Malignancies, such as renal cell carcinoma, lymphoma
  - E. Acute infections, such as acute urinary tract infections, pneumonia
51. Which of the following tests should be performed on a regular intervals in a patient with systemic lupus erythematosus?
- A. Urinalysis with examination of urinary sediment (looking for hematuria and cellular casts)
  - B. Estimation of urine protein excretion
  - C. Serum creatinine and estimated glomerular filtration rate
  - D. MRI of the kidneys with medium contrast
  - E. CT urography
52. Why it is important to perform a kidney biopsy in patients lupus nephritis?
- A. The treatment is guided by the histologic subtype
  - B. The kidney biopsy is cheap, and no extra costs will be required
  - C. The clinical presentation may not accurately reflect the severity of the histological findings
  - D. Kidney biopsy can help us in assessing extrarenal involvement in lupus
  - E. The kidney biopsy is easy to perform and interpret, there is no need for skilled personnel
53. Which of the following immunological tests can be found in a patient with lupus nephritis?
- A. Antinuclear antibodies
  - B. Anti-dsDNA
  - C. Low C3 and C4
  - D. Increased C-reactive protein
  - E. Antineutrophil Cytoplasmic Antibodies
54. Which of the following treatment phases are used when treating ANCA-associated vasculitis with renal involvement?

- A. Induction of remission
  - B. Maintenance of remission
  - C. Treatment of relapse
  - D. Induction of relapse
  - E. Acute treatment
55. Which arteries are affected most often in polyarteritis nodosa?
- A. Renal arteries
  - B. Aorta
  - C. Interlobar arteries
  - D. Arcuate arteries
  - E. Glomerular capillary
56. Which of the following can be affected in IgA vasculitis (Henoch-Schönlein purpura)?
- A. Skin
  - B. Joints
  - C. Kidneys
  - D. Lungs
  - E. Central nervous system