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# Natural history and prognosis of IgA nephropathy in Chinese

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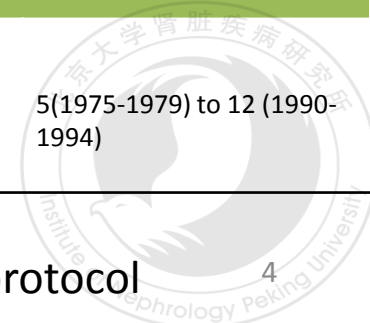
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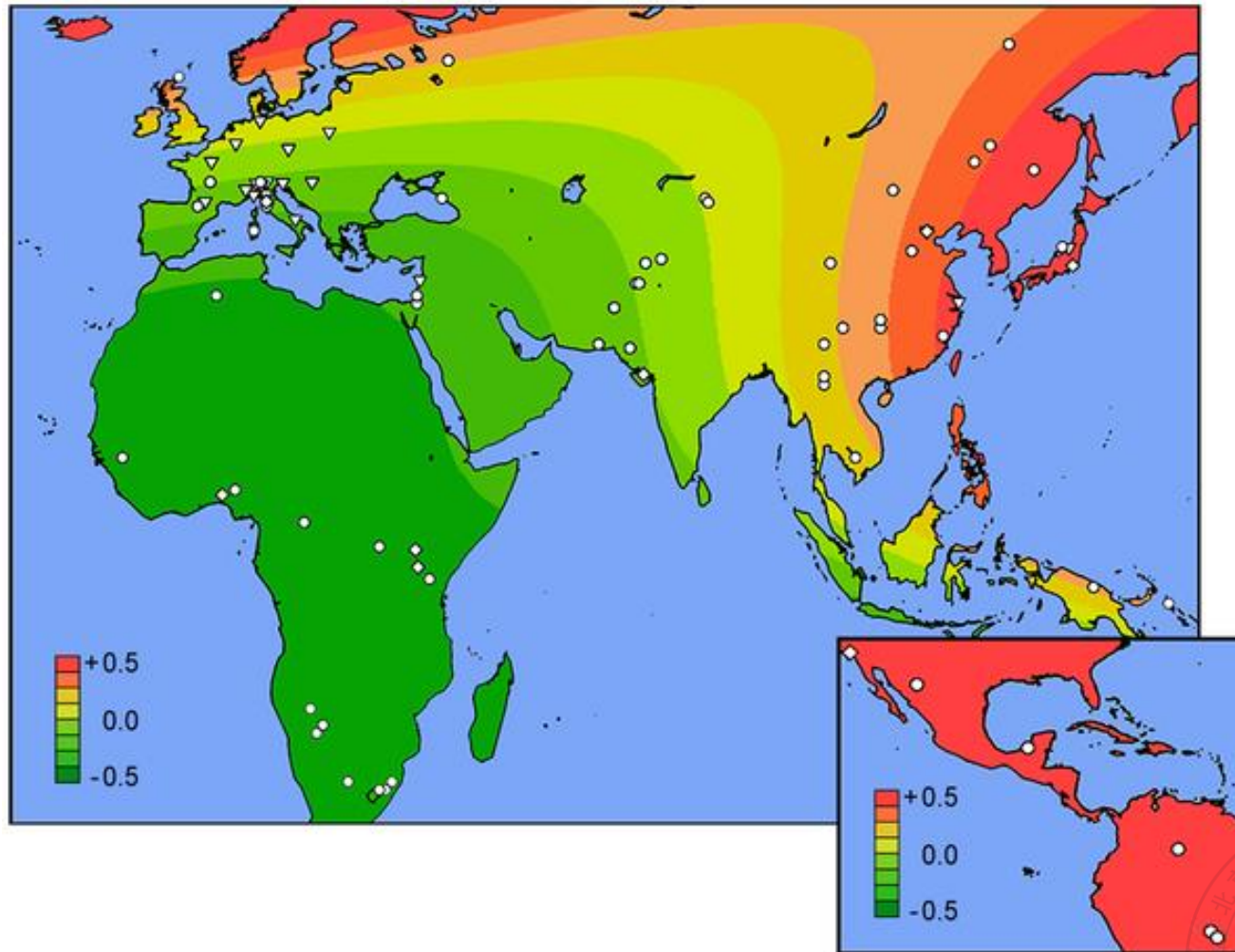


# Epidemiological data regarding the frequency IgA nephropathy

Country	Author(year)	Study population (number of renal biopsy)	Proportion of primary GN (%)	Proportion of all GN (%)	Incidence (per 1 million person-years)
<b>Asia</b>					
<b>China</b>	Zhou FD (2009)	Single Centre-north China (5714)	58.2		
	Li LS (2004)	Single Centre-south China (13,519)	45.6		
<b>Japan</b>	1999	National Survey (1850)	47.3		
<b>Korea</b>	Chang JH(2009)	Single Centre (1818)	28.3		
<b>Singapore</b>	Woo KT (1999)	Review	45		
<b>Oceania</b>					
<b>Australia</b>	Briganti EM(2001)	Population-based (2030)	48.3	34.1	42.9
<b>Europe</b>					
<b>CzechRepublic</b>	Rychlík I(2004)	National Registry of Renal Biopsies (4004)	34.5		
<b>Italy</b>	Schena FP (1997)	National Registry of Renal Biopsies (13835)	36.9		
<b>Spain</b>	Stratta P 1996	Population based survey			14.7
	Rivera F (2002)	National Registry of Renal Biopsies (7016)		17	7.9
<b>UK</b>	Hanko JB(2009)	Regional biopsy registry (1844)	38.8		3.4 (1976 to 1985) to 17.9 (1996-2005)
<b>Netherland</b>	Tiebosch AT (1987)	Population based survey			19
<b>France</b>	Simon P (2004)	Population based survey			28
<b>Americas</b>					
<b>USA</b>	Nair R (2006)	Nephropathology Associates from states (4504)	24	22	
	Wyatt RJ (1998)	Population-based survey			5(1975-1979) to 12 (1990-1994)
<b>Brazil</b>	M. G. Polito (2010)	National biopsy data	20.1		



# Worldwide geospatial risk analysis.



Kiryluk K, Li Y, Sanna-Cherchi S, Rohanizadegan M, Suzuki H, et al. (2012) Geographic Differences in Genetic Susceptibility to IgA Nephropathy: GWAS Replication Study and Geospatial Risk Analysis. *PLoS Genet* 8(6): e1002765

# Nature history and kidney survival in Chinese patients with IgA nephropathy

*(n=2230 for outcomes of ESKD and 2349 for eGFR decline)*

Author	Sample size	Year	Age	Proteinuria (g/d)	hypertension		Scr umol/L	eGFR ml/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup>	CKD stage					Follow	Therapy			TA-pro (g/d)	TA-MAP mmHg	GFR decline	Survival (%)			
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North American Toronto cohort	187	2011	34	1.7	96		82							4.4	87	37	24	1	92	-2.6				
	542	2007	38	2.4	103		129.7	77						6.5	53	13		2.2	100	-4.56				
Japan National Register	2283	1995-2005	32						36	32	25	5	2											85
Japan	1012	1974-2011	33	1.2	90.4		78.7	79						7.9	28.9	13								84

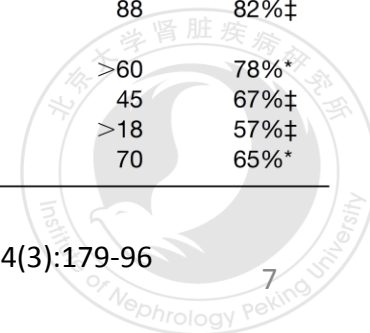
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# Risk Factors for IgA nephropathy progression (published before 2000s)

Authors and Country	Clinical Features at Presentation							
	No. of Patients	Mean Age at Presentation (yr)	High Serum Creatinine (%)	High Blood Pressure (%)	Proteinuria >3 g/24 Hours	History of Macroscopic Hematuria (%)	Mean Duration of Follow-up (months)	Actuarial Renal Survival at 10 Years
<b>Europe</b>								
D'Amico et al (1986), Italy <sup>5</sup>	365	29	24	36	7%	55	79	85%*
Beukhof et al (1986), The Netherlands <sup>6</sup>	75	24	—	37	—	46	92	84%*
Droz et al (1984) <sup>7</sup> ; Noël et al (1987), France <sup>8</sup>	280	—	—	6	10%	37	>60	85%*
Velo et al (1987), Spain <sup>9</sup>	153	22	—	—	1%	78	>60	81%*
Bogenschutz et al. (1990), Germany <sup>10</sup>	239	—	34	19	—	26	59	81%†
Rekola et al. (1989, 1990), Sweden <sup>11,12</sup>	209	25	16	11	1%	64	76	83%‡
Alamartine et al. (1991), France <sup>13</sup>	282	28	2	9	3%	27	96	94%*
Johnston et al. (1992), UK <sup>14</sup>	220	30	28	26	32%	—	65	83%‡
Payton et al. (1988), UK <sup>15</sup>	67	32	—	40	—	—	—	77%*
<b>Australia</b>								
Nicholls et al. (1984) <sup>16</sup>	244	32	36	43	6%	39	60	87%‡
Ibels et al. (1994) <sup>17</sup>	121	39	36	31	16%	40	107	93%*
<b>Asia</b>								
Woo et al. (1986), Singapore <sup>18</sup>	151	27	6	33	4%	24	65	91%‡
Kusumoto et al. (1987), Japan <sup>19</sup>	87	27	—	31	15%	—	114	80%*
Katafuchi et al. (1994), Japan <sup>20</sup>	225	32	36	22	16%	20	48	74%‡
Yagame et al. (1996), Japan <sup>21</sup>	206	30	—	—	—	—	110	87%‡
Koyama et al. (1997), Japan <sup>22</sup>	448	>10 in 95%	19	29	3%	24	142	85%*
Li et al. (2002), Hong Kong <sup>23</sup>	168	33	—	28	5%	20	88	82%‡
<b>North America</b>								
Wyatt et al. (1984), USA <sup>24</sup>	58	27	—	—	—	—	>60	78%*
Radford et al. (1997), USA <sup>25</sup>	148	39	59	47	30%	—	45	67%‡
Haas (1997), USA <sup>26</sup>	109	~40	mean = 2.2 ± 1.9 mg/dL	49	33%	35	>18	57%‡
Bartosik et al. (2001), Canada <sup>27</sup>	298	36	—	—	—	—	70	65%*



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Author	Year	Sample size	Follow	baseline Proteinuria		TA-proteinuria		Hypertension		TA-MAP	
				Uni	multi	Uni	multi	Uni	multi	Uni	multi
Le et al.	2012	1155	5.4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Xie et al.	2012	619	3.4	Y	N	NA	NA	Y	Y	NA	NA
Lv et al.	2008	204	6.1	Y	N	NA	NA	Y	Y	NA	NA
Li et al.	2014	703	3.8	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Li et al.	2002	168	7.4	Y	Y	NA	NA	Y	Y	NA	NA

author	Year	GFR or Scr		Marohematuria		Hyperuricemia		Hypoalbuminemia		Anemia	
		Uni	multi	Uni	multi	Uni	multi	Uni	multi	Uni	multi
Le et al.	2012	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	NA	NA
Xie et al.	2012	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Lv et al.	2008	Y	Y	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Li et al.	2014	Y	Y	N	N	Y	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Li et al.	2002	Y	Y	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

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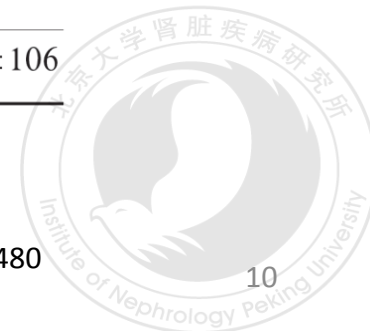
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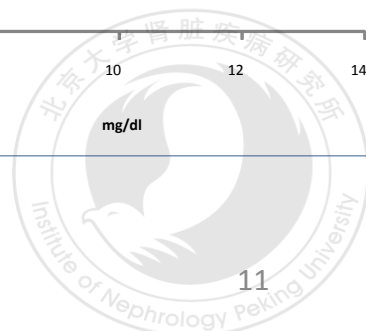
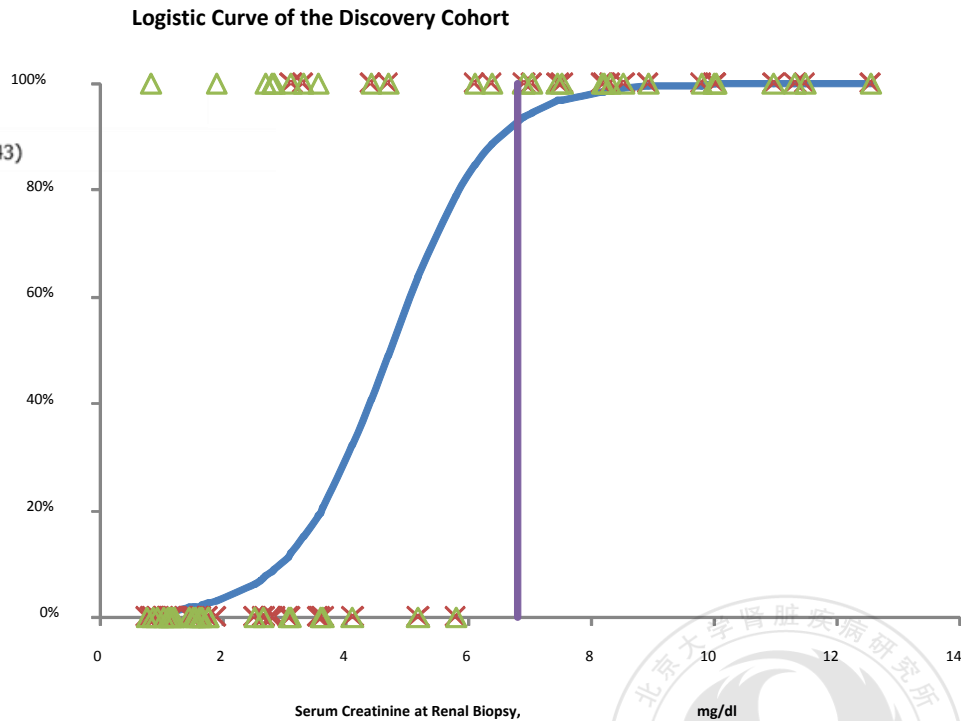
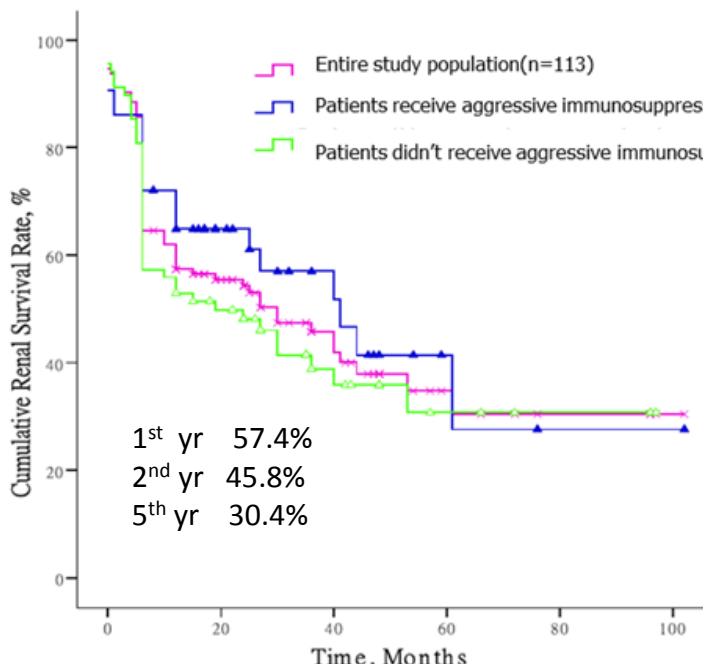


# Follow-up data of 15 Chinese patients with crescentic IgAN (n=15)

Case No.	Follow-up time	Upro, g/24 h		Scr, $\mu\text{mol/l}$	
		first	end	first	end
1	26	3.35	1.59	241	188
2	8	1.48	2.50	856	HD
3	17	4.80	1.39	256	103
4	24	2.97	1.58	667	HD
5	36	3.58	0.50	124	114
6	16	3.97	3.17	577	435
7	25	1.85	1.19	109	98
8	14	3.31	1.60	304	268
9	29	8.50	0.87	325	115
10	92	5.97	0.83	760	176
11	52	2.93	1.82	168	HD
12	9	2.12	0.29	388	HD
13	19	3.20	1.60	168	126
14	42	1.68	0.25	142	250
15	38	2.99	0.58	882	PD
$\bar{X} \pm \text{SD}$	29 $\pm$ 21	3.51 $\pm$ 1.81	1.31 $\pm$ 0.87	409 $\pm$ 299	187 $\pm$ 106



# Prediction of Outcomes in Crescentic IgA Nephropathy in a Multicenter Cohort Study



## Corticosteroid therapy in IgA nephropathy with nephrotic syndrome: a long-term controlled trial

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**Abstract.** A randomized prospective study of 34 patients with IgA nephropathy and nephrotic syndrome was conducted to determine the therapeutic value of corticosteroid therapy. The patients were divided into two groups: Group A, 17 patients receiving oral prednisolone/prednisone for four months; and Group B, 17 patients receiving no corticosteroid therapy and acting as controls. The groups are comparable in age of presentation, sex ratio, and duration of study. No difference in serum creatinine levels, creatinine clearance, serum IgA levels, severity of renal histopathological changes, incidence of hypertension or incidence of impaired renal function could be demonstrated but the Group A patients had significantly heavier proteinuria. During the mean study period of 38 months (range 12-106), no significant difference in serum creatinine levels and creatinine clearance was demonstrated between the two groups. Forty percent of the Group A patients developed complications related to steroid therapy. Despite the overall lack of therapeutic value in IgA nephropathy with nephrotic syndrome as reflected by change in renal function, corticosteroid treatment resulted in excellent remission of nephrotic syndrome in 80% of patients with mild glomerular histopathological changes. Our findings suggest that corticosteroid therapy is only beneficial to selected groups of patients with IgA nephropathy and nephrotic syndrome but its indiscriminate use should be discouraged.

**Key words:** IgA nephropathy - nephrotic syndrome - corticosteroid treatment - minor glomerular pathology

### Introduction

Although moderate degrees of proteinuria are frequently found in patients with IgA nephropathy, nephrotic syndrome has generally been regarded as uncommon [Clarkson et al. 1977, Hood et al. 1981, Kincaid-Smith and Nicolls 1983]. In the few cases that have been reported, the prognostic significance is unclear [Abreo and Wen 1983, Mustonen et al. 1983, Katz et al. 1983]. Recently, IgA nephropathy presented with nephrotic syndrome has in some instances been reported to respond to corticosteroid therapy [Saint-Andre et al. 1980, Mustonen et al. 1983, Southwest Pediatric Nephrology Study Group 1985]. Our preliminary data suggest that the nephrotic syndrome in IgA nephropathy does not inevitably indicate the presence of poor clinical outcome and treatment with corticosteroid is encouraging in those

patients with minor glomerular pathology despite heavy proteinuria [Lai et al. 1985]. In this study, we report our randomized prospective trial of corticosteroid therapy in nephrotic syndrome associated with IgA nephropathy. The result confirms our preliminary findings that corticosteroid treatment is beneficial to selected groups of patients.

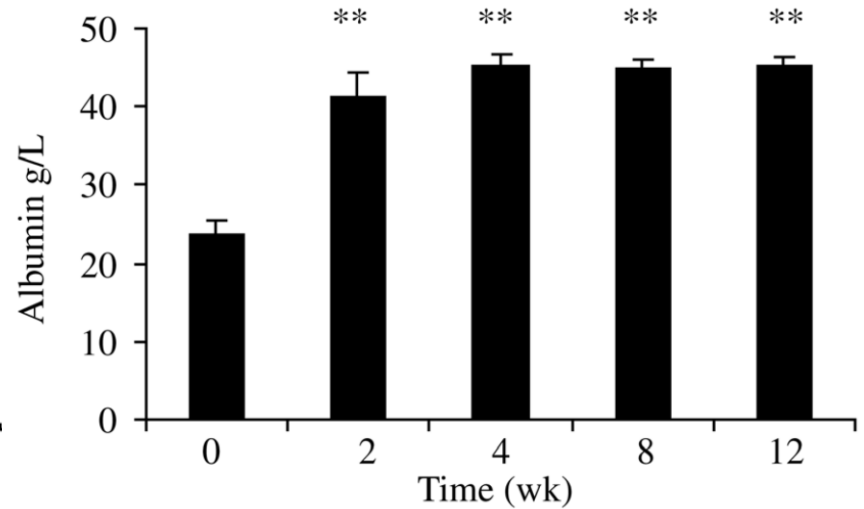
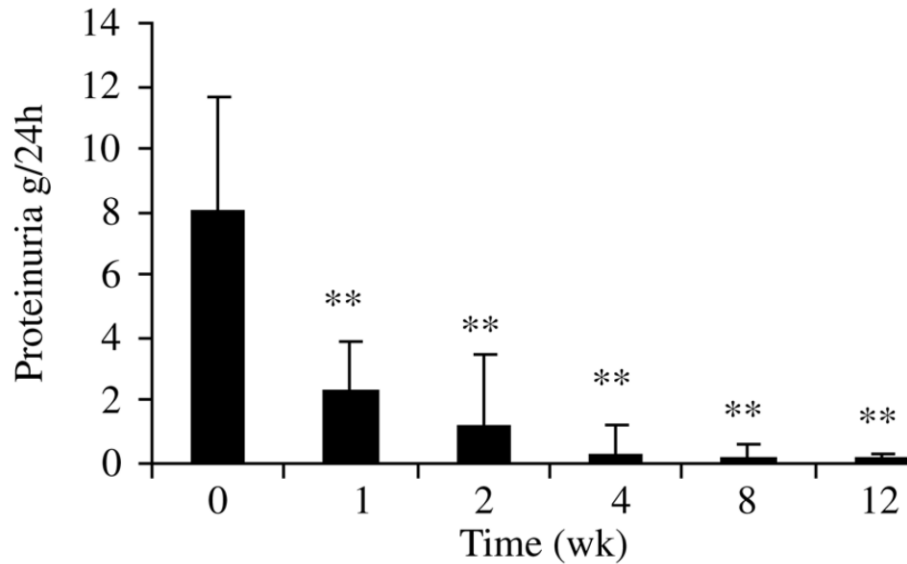
### Patients and methods

#### Patients

From July 1977 to December 1984, IgA nephropathy was diagnosed in 145 patients. Thirty-six patients presented with nephrotic syndrome. Thirty-four nephrotic patients were selected for this study and the remaining two were excluded because of poor compliance. IgA nephropathy was diagnosed by the presence of predominant IgA deposits mainly in the mesangium and the presence of mesangial and paramesangial electron-dense deposits on ultrastructural

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# IgA nephropathy with minimal change-like lesions: a single-centre cohort study (n=27)



# Natural history of IgA nephropathy among patients with hematuria and minimal proteinuria in Chinese

## **Baseline data**

N=72

Age 27

Proteinuria: 0.1-0.4g/d

eGFR: >100ml/min

None hypertension

## **Follow-up data**

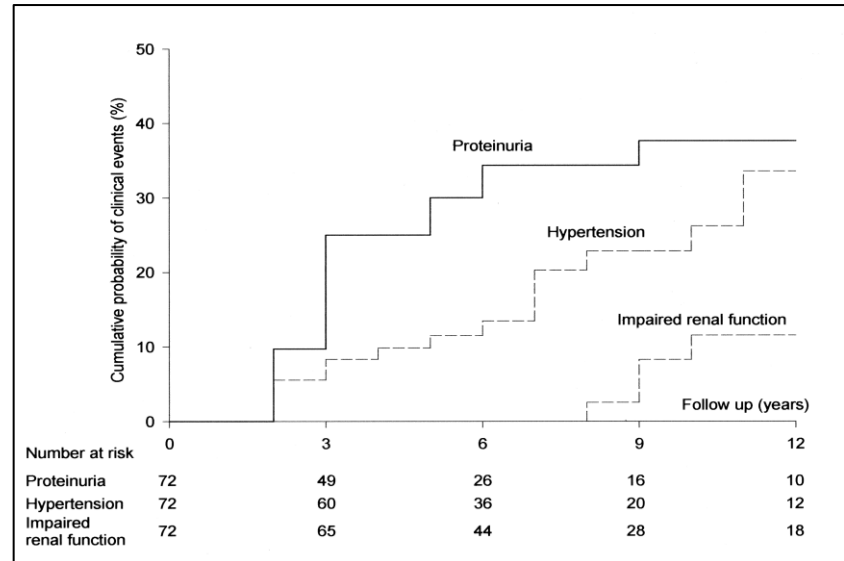
Follow-up: 84mon (14-180)

ESKD: 1/72

eGFR<70ml/min: 5 (7%)

Proteinuria>1g/d: 24(33%)

Szeto CC *et al.* Am J Med. 2001,15;110(6):434-7



## **Baseline data**

N=177

Age 38

Proteinuria: 0.1-0.4g/d

eGFR: >90ml/min

None hypertension

## **Follow-up data**

Follow-up: 111mon (109-225)

ESKD: 0/177

eGFR<60ml/min: 43 (24%)

Proteinuria>1g/d: 67(38%)

**Table 3. Clinical data at the end of follow-up**

	Early IgAN	Normal biopsy	Normal dipstick
Patients (n)	177	135	120
Haematuria:			
• Disappearance	18 (10%)	67 (50%)	0 (0%)
• Persistent	135 (76%)	41 (38%)	5 (4%)
Proteinuria:			
• Remission	10 (6%)	90 (67%)	0 (0%)
• Stable	50 (28%)	14 (10%)	0 (0%)
• Increased	79 (46%)	3 (3%)	2 (2%)
Hypertension	68 (38%)	11 (8%)	8 (7%)
Renal insufficiency	43 (24%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)

Shen P *et al.* Neth J Med. 2008;66(6):242-7

# Long-Term Outcomes of IgA Nephropathy Presenting with Minimal or No Proteinuria In Caucasian

## Baseline characteristics

N=141

Age 23.7

Proteinuria: ~0.5g/d

eGFR: >60ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>

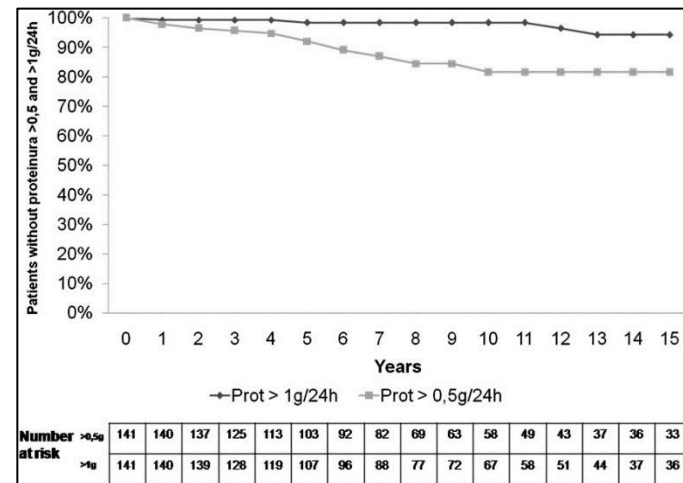
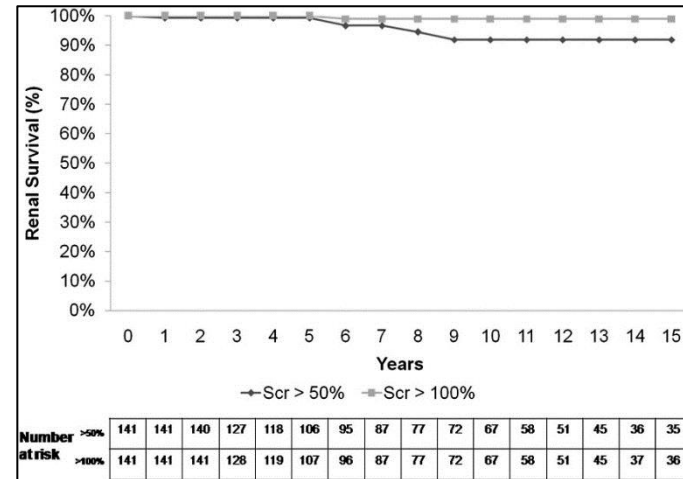
## Follow-up data

Follow-up: 108mon (80-180)

ESKD: 0/141

Scr >50% : 5 (3.5%)

Proteinuria>1g/d: 6 (4.3%)



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# KDIGO guidelines

- Blood pressure lowering
- RAS inhibitors
- Steroids



# Progression of IgA nephropathy under current therapy regimen in a Chinese population

author	Sample size	Year	Proteinuria		Scr (umol/L)	eGFR (ml/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup> )	CKD stage					Follow	Therapy			TA-pro (g/d)	TA-MAP mmHg	GFR decline	Survival (%)			
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# A tricontinental view of IgA nephropathy

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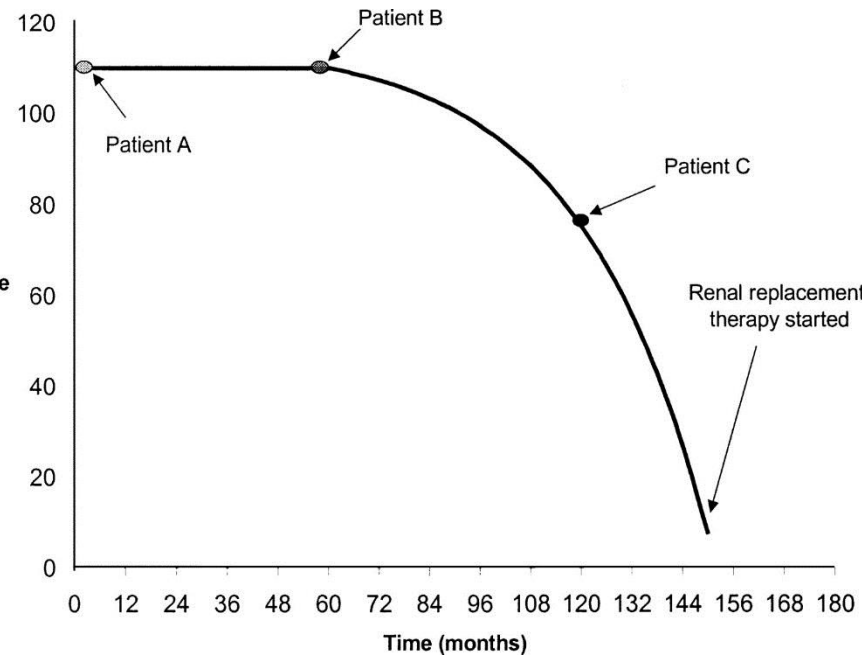
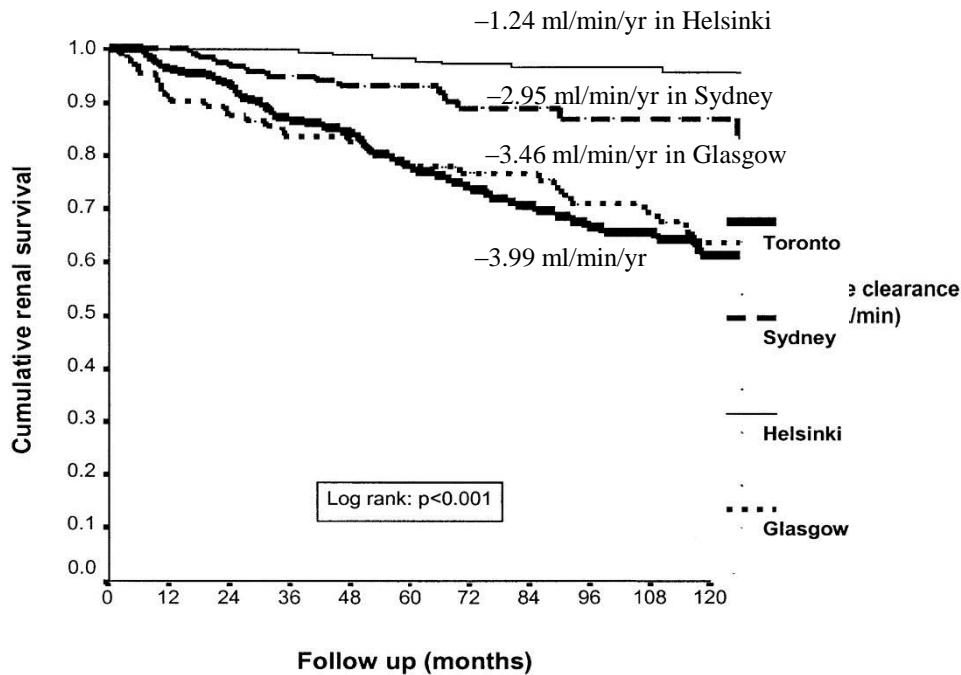
**Table 1.** Clinical characteristics of patients with biopsy-proven IgA nephropathy at presentation

	Glasgow ( <i>n</i> = 112)	Helsinki ( <i>n</i> = 204)	Sydney ( <i>n</i> = 121)	Toronto ( <i>n</i> = 274)	<i>P</i>
All subjects					
Median year of presentation (range)	1989 (77–95)	1987 (80–95)	1985 (59–93)	1984 (63–97)	–
Median follow up (months)	86	123	73	53	< 0.001 <sup>a</sup>
Mean age (years)	37.3	34.9	33.9	37.0	0.05 <sup>b</sup>
Male:female ratio	4.6	1.7	1.5	1.8	< 0.001 <sup>c</sup>
Median serum creatinine (μmol/l)	118	90	110	115	< 0.001 <sup>a</sup>
Mean CrCl (ml/min)	79.1	98.7	82.6	74.2	< 0.001 <sup>b</sup>
Median urine protein (UP) excretion (g/day)	1.72	0.64	1.28	1.75	< 0.001 <sup>a</sup>
Proportion with UP < 0.5 g/day	22.9%	46.4%	26.2%	5.8%	< 0.001 <sup>c</sup>
Mean of mean arterial blood pressure (mmHg)	105	94.0	103	105	< 0.001 <sup>b</sup>
Subjects presenting CrCl < 75 ml/min					
Number (%)	52 (46.4)	34 (16.7)	51 (42.1)	132 (48.2)	< 0.001 <sup>c</sup>
Mean age (years)	45.3	47.6	37.7	39.1	< 0.001 <sup>b</sup>
Mean CrCl (ml/min)	44.1	55.8	52.1	52.2	0.003 <sup>b</sup>
Median urine protein (UP) excretion (g/day)	2.24	1.28	1.28	2.2	0.006 <sup>a</sup>
Mean of mean arterial blood pressure (mmHg)	107	102	109	108	0.223 <sup>b</sup>



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Number available for study	1yr	3yr	5yr	10yrs
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Glasgow	102	90	78	34



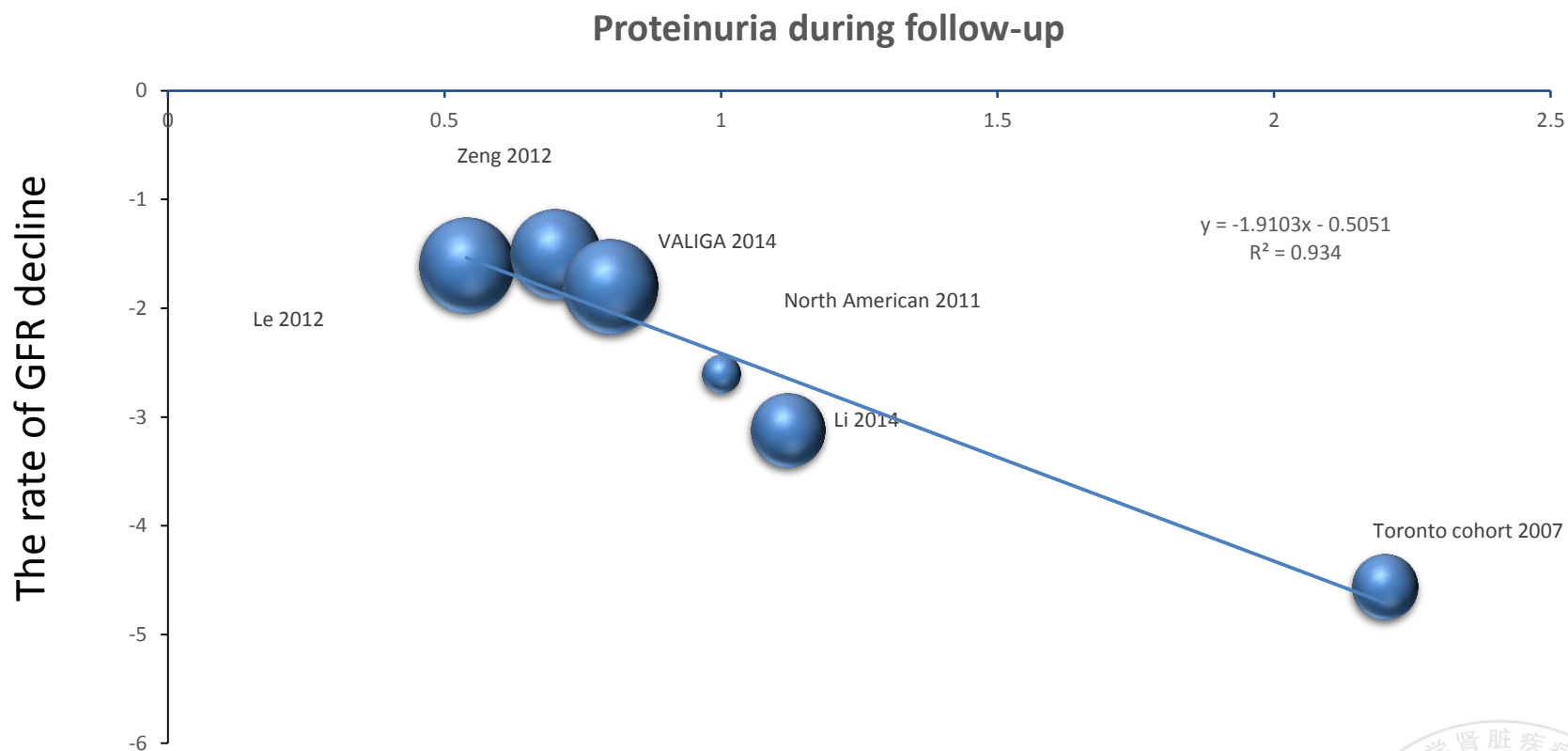
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Li XL et al. Clin J Am Soc Nephrol. 2014;9(3):484-9



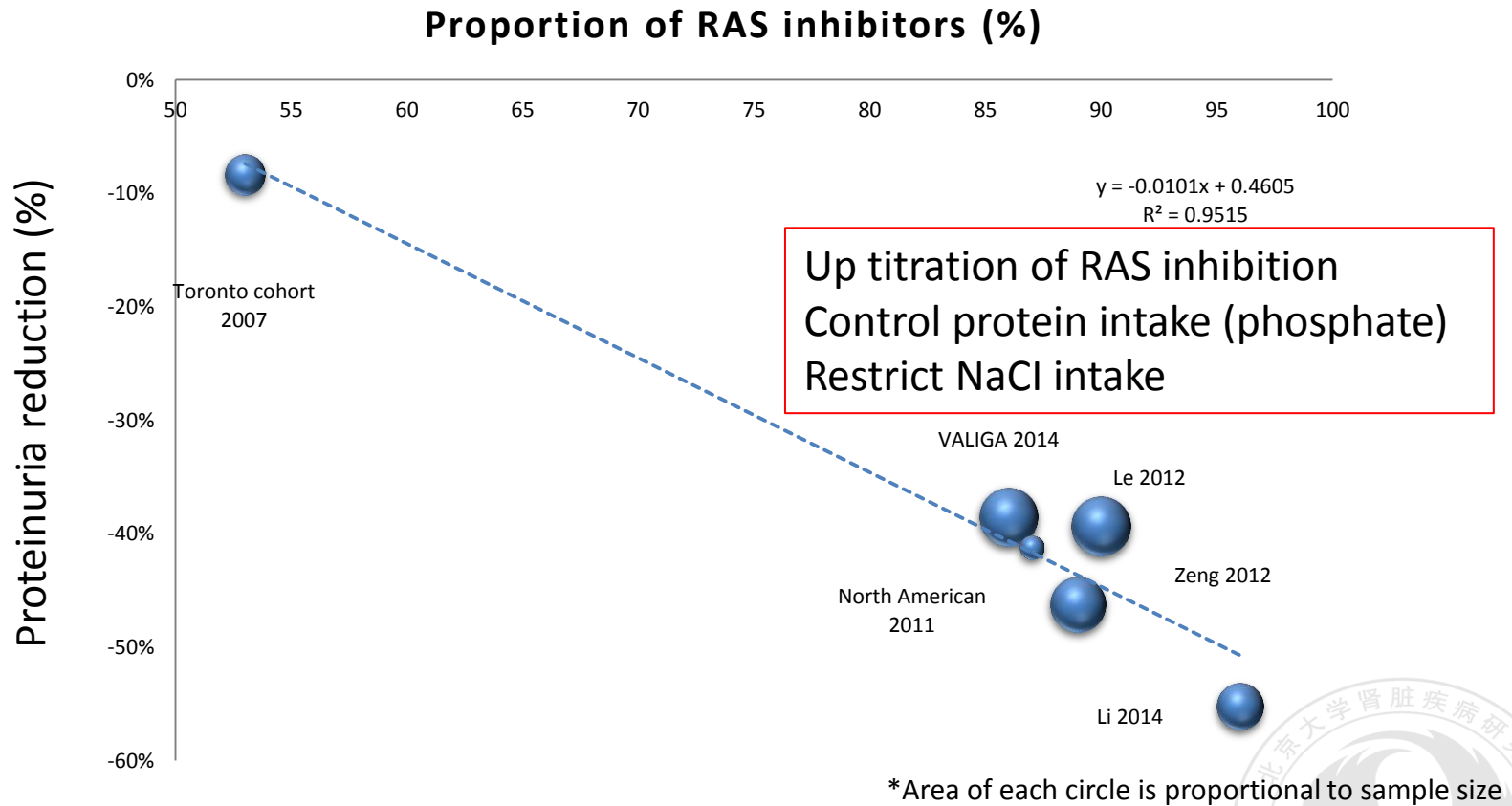
# Association of time average proteinuria and rate of GFR decline



\*Area of each circle is proportional to sample size

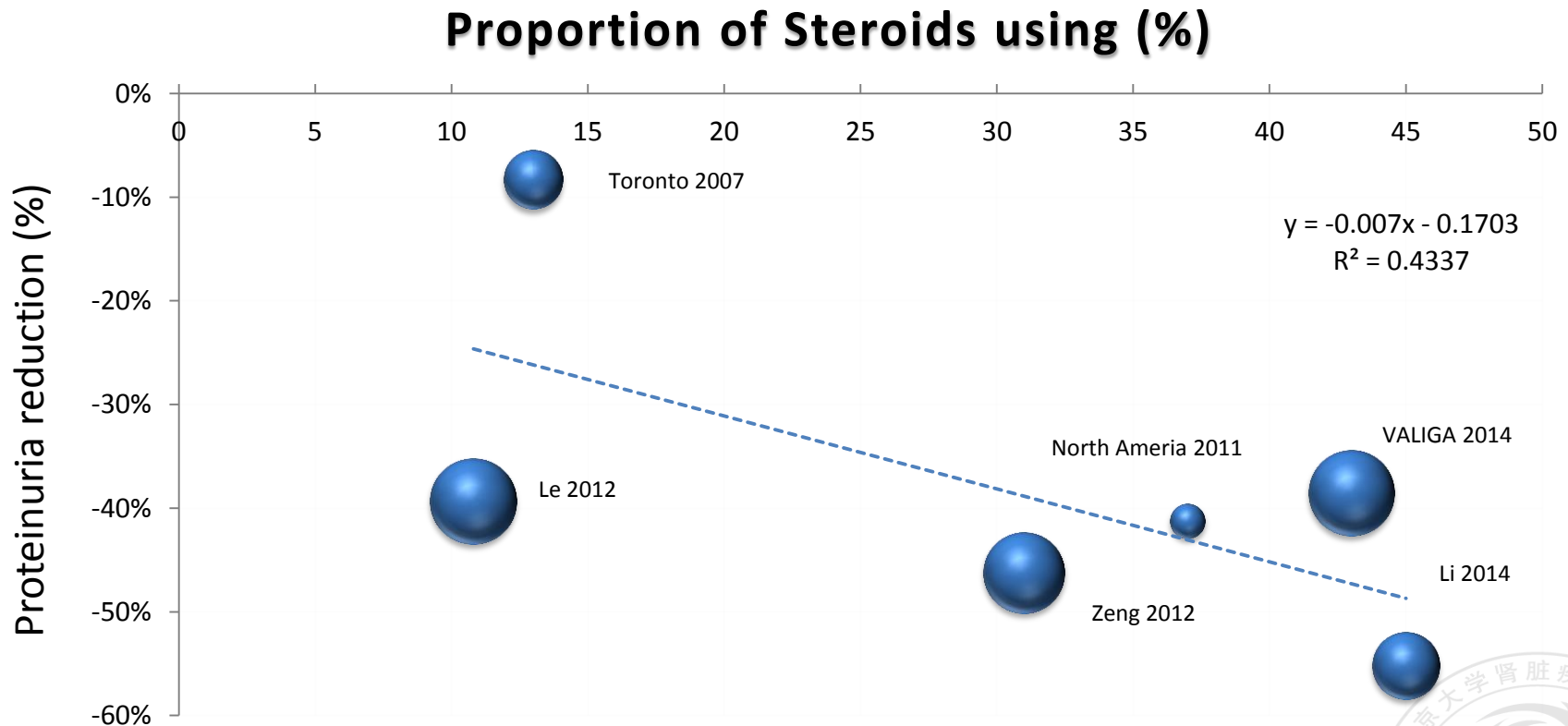


# Interventions: RAS inhibitors



Association of proportion of RAS inhibitors and proteinuria reduction during follow-up

# Interventions: Steroids using



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# Steroids reduced the risk of Kidney failure or persistent proteinuria reduction??

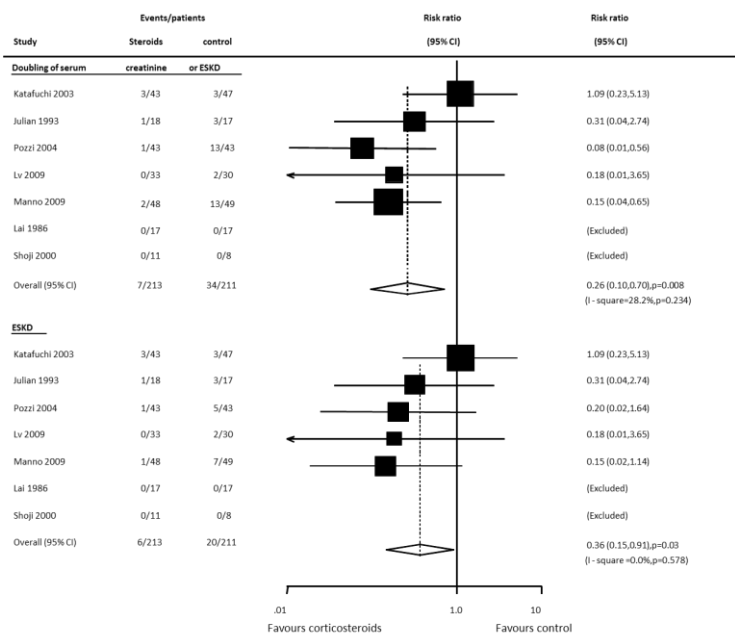


Figure : corticosteroids therapy on the outcomes of doubling of serum creatinine or ESKD

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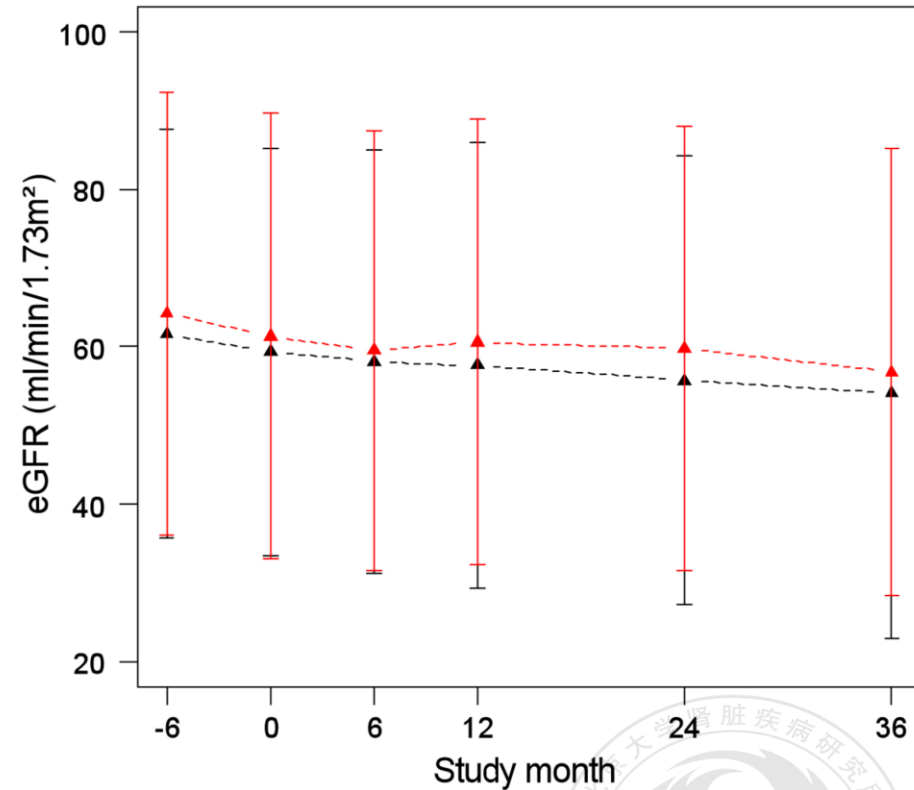
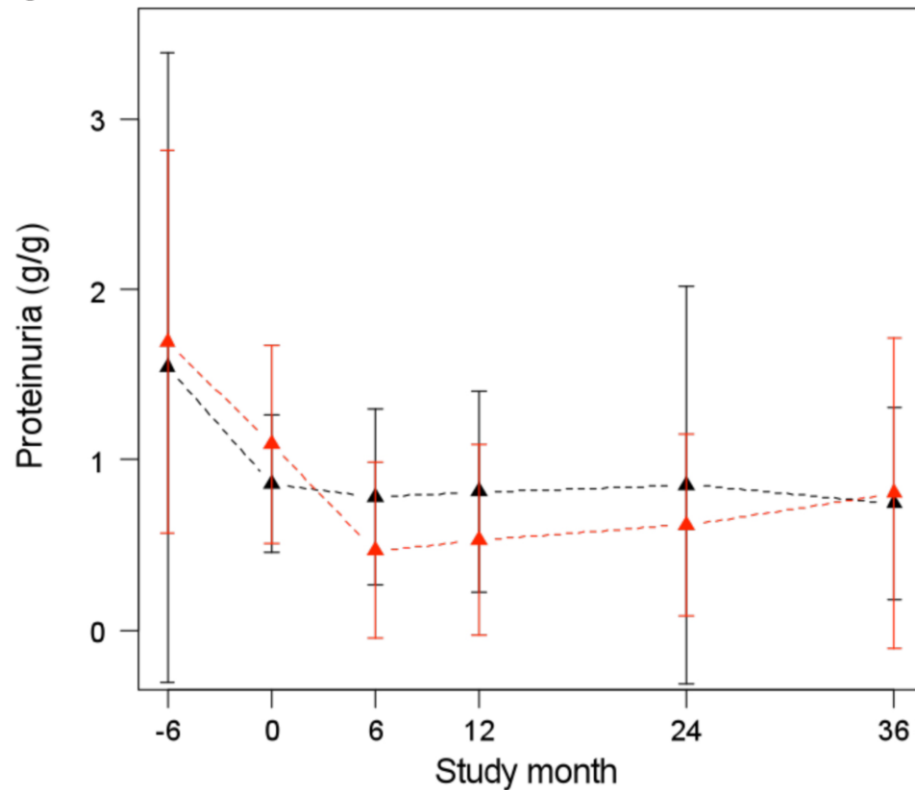
**Table 2. Secondary End Points on the Basis of the Analysis of Available Cases at the End of the Trial Phase.\***

Secondary End Point	Supportive Care (N=80)		Supportive Care plus Immunosuppression (N=82)		Odds Ratio (95% CI)	P Value
	Patients with Available Data	End-Point Value	Patients with Available Data	End-Point Value		
	<i>no.</i>	<i>mean ±SD or no. (%)</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>mean ±SD or no. (%)</i>		
Absolute eGFR change at 36 mo — ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>	71	-4.7±12.3	72	-4.2±14.1	Not determined	0.32
Mean annual change in the slope of the reciprocal of serum creati- nine concentration — mg/dl	77	-0.02±0.06	74	-0.01±0.06	Not determined	0.60
At 12 mo	67	0.80±0.67	59	0.57±0.53	Not determined	0.01
At 36 mo	64	0.85±0.66	59	0.76±0.90	Not determined	0.66
eGFR decrease ≥30 ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>	76	7 (9)	78	10 (13)	1.45 (0.51–4.10)	0.49
Onset of end-stage renal disease	76	6 (8)	78	6 (8)	0.97 (0.29–3.22)	0.96
Disappearance of microhematuria	55†	9 (16)	57†	24 (42)	3.73 (1.52–9.14)	0.004

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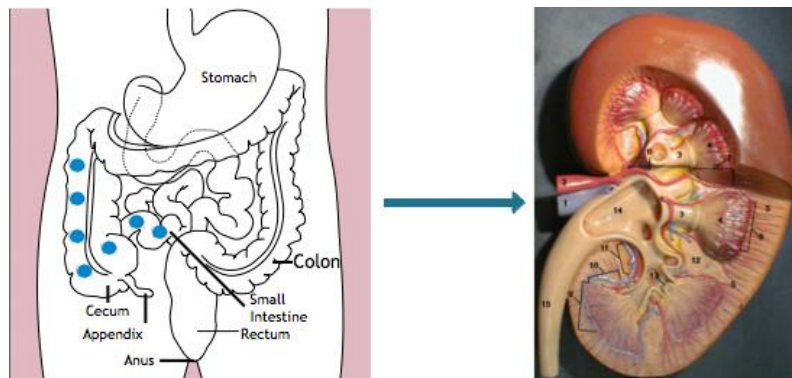
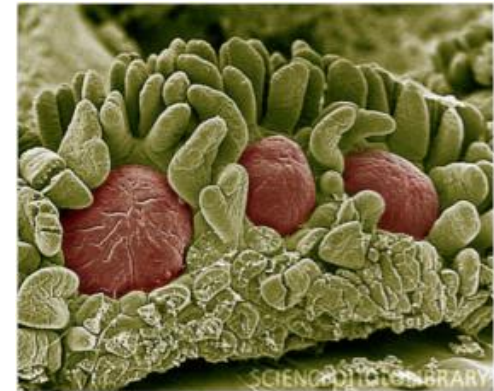
# The NEFIGAN Trial

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NEFECON, an oral formulation that releases budesonide, a glucocorticosteroid, in the lower ileum and ascending colon of the gastrointestinal (GI) tract.

NEFECON significantly reduced proteinuria as compared to placebo at 9 month by 25-30%

The long-term outcomes on proteinuria or GFR decline?



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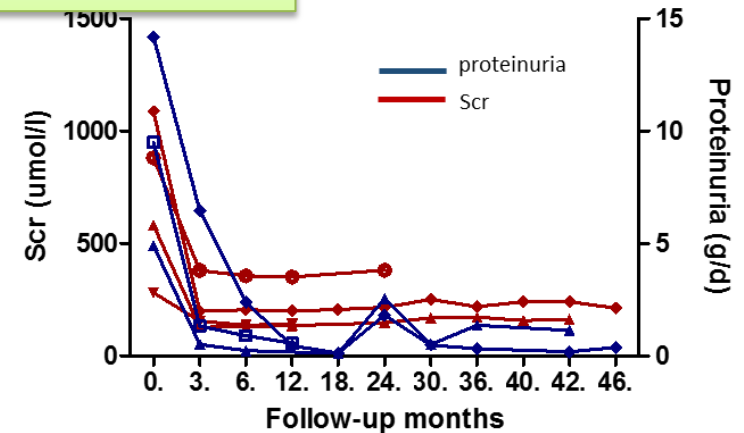
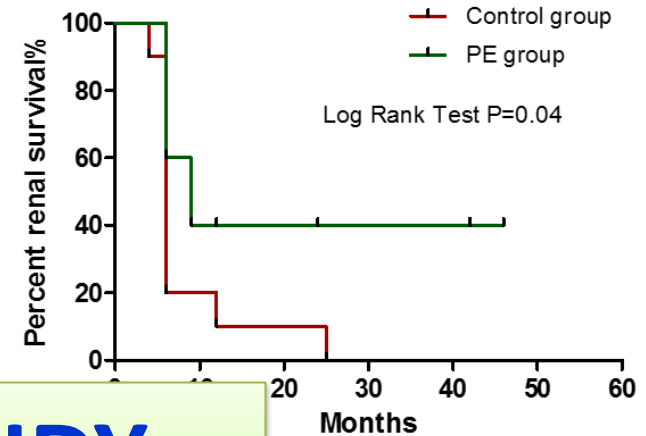
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# Plasma Exchange as an Adjunctive Therapy for Crescentic IgA Nephropathy

## Treatment and clinical outcomes

	PE group (n=10)	Control group (n=10)
Age	44(16)	40(15)
Gender(male)	7	10
Scr ( $\mu\text{mol/L}$ )	657(248)	658(270)
Dialysis at presentation	7	8
Total crescent (%)	71.0(17.0)	71.3(17.6)
Follow-up months	<b>RESCUES STUDY</b>	
Follow-up months		
Courses of PE/patient	7(5-10)	0
Pulse methylprednisolone	8	9
Steroids +immunosuppresants	8	8
Steroids alone	2	2
RAS blocker	5	5
ESRD	5 (50%) +1	10 (100%)
Death	1	3

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# Outline

- The nature history of IgAN
  - General IgA nephropathy
  - Different phenotype of IgA nephropathy
    - Crescentic IgA nephropathy
    - IgA nephropathy with minimal change like lesions
    - Hematuria with or without minimal proteinuria
- Can/have we changed it?
- **Perspective**



How to define IgA nephropathy in terms of pathogenesis

Who determine the heterogeneity of IgAN Behind clinical parameters?



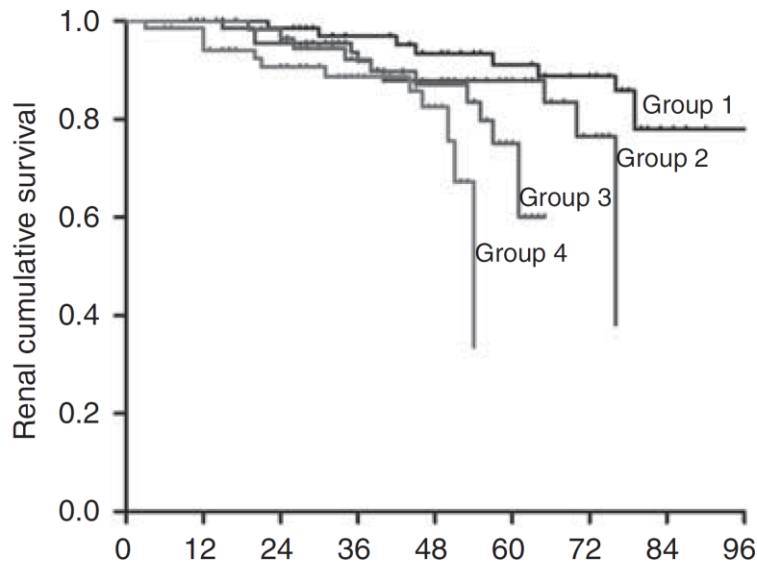
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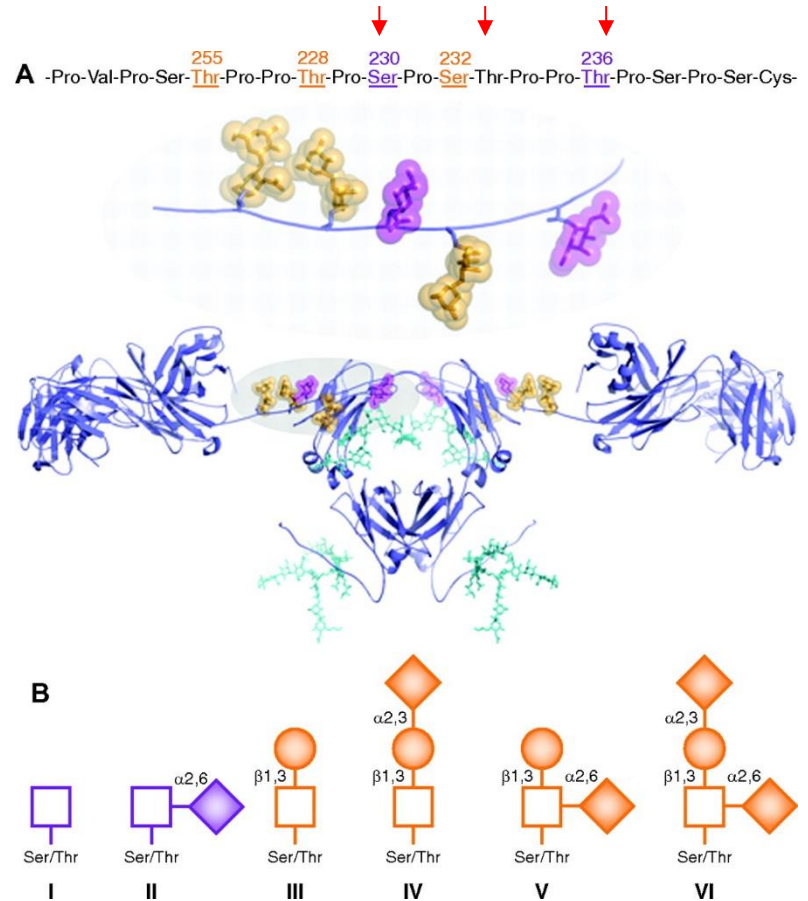
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The level of galactose-deficient IgA1 in the sera of patients with IgA nephropathy is associated with disease progression



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