

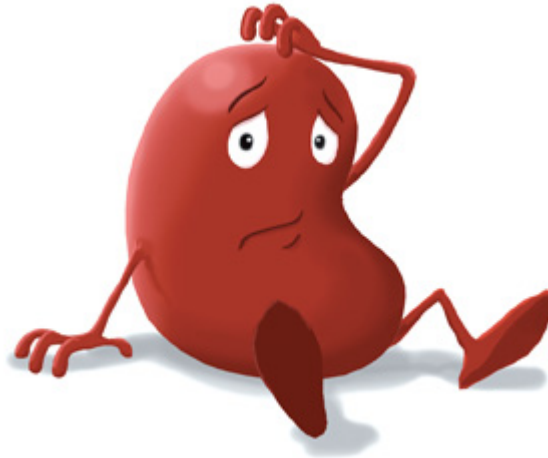


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# Living Kidney Donation Assessing Risk

# Living Kidney Donation



## Understanding the Risks

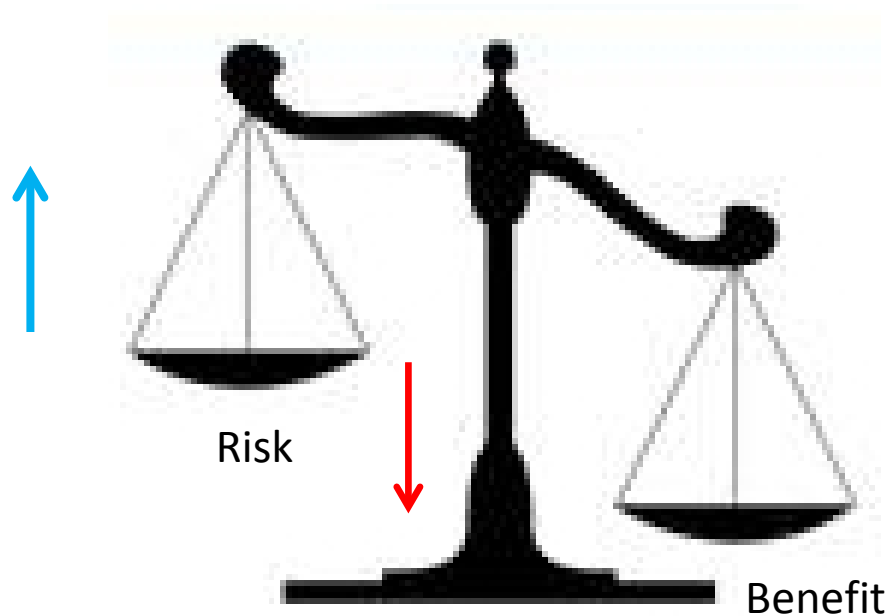
# Disclosures

- I am a transplant nephrologist
- I derive income from living donor transplants
- I perform donor workups and advise potential living donors
- I am the Chair of the CBS National Living Donor Advisory Committee

# Objectives

- Provide a framework for donors to understand the risk to them
- Gain the ability to describe to a potential living donor their risk of premature death and kidney disease after donation.
- Understand the strengths and limitations of the available literature on the long-term outcomes for kidney donors.

# How do individuals make a decision?



How do individuals look at risk?

		PROBABILITY THAT SOMETHING WILL GO WRONG				
SEVERITY OF RISK	Category	FREQUENT Likely to occur immediately or in a short period of time; expected to occur frequently	LIKELY Quite likely to occur in time	OCCASIONAL May occur in time	SELDOM Not likely to occur but possible	UNLIKELY Unlikely to occur
	CATASTROPHIC May result in death	E	E	H	H	M
	CRITICAL May cause severe injury, major property damage, significant financial loss, and/or result in negative publicity for the organization and/or institution	E	H	H	M	L
	MARGINAL May cause minor injury, illness, property damage, financial loss and/or result in negative publicity for the organization and/or the institution	H	M	M	L	L
	NEGLECTIBLE Hazard presents a minimal threat to safety, health and well-being of participants; trivial.	M	L	L	L	L

# LIKELIHOOD

## SEVERITY

	Minor (1)	Negligible (2)	Marginal (3)	Critical (4)	Catastrophic (5)
Frequent (5)					
Probable (4)					
Occasional (3)					
Remote (2)					
Improbable (1)					



# CALCULATED RISKS

You have to risk going too far  
to discover just how far you can really go.





When we  
stop taking  
risks,  
we stop  
living life.

Robin Sharma

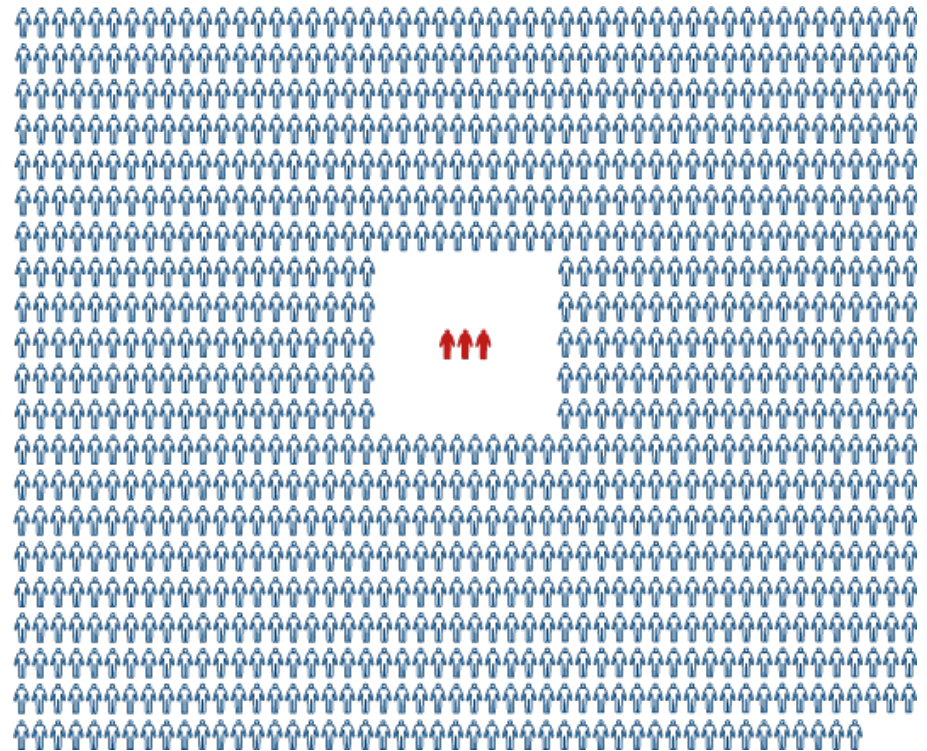
For more inspiration & ideas go to [robinsharma.com](http://robinsharma.com)

# Presenting Risk

## Not Helpful

- Safe
- Low risk
- Increased risk
- 3 times risk
- 10 times risk

## Helpful



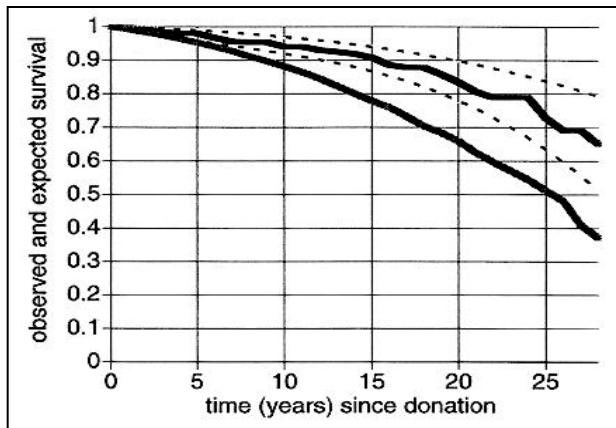
# What Risks?

- Early Mortality
- Renal Failure

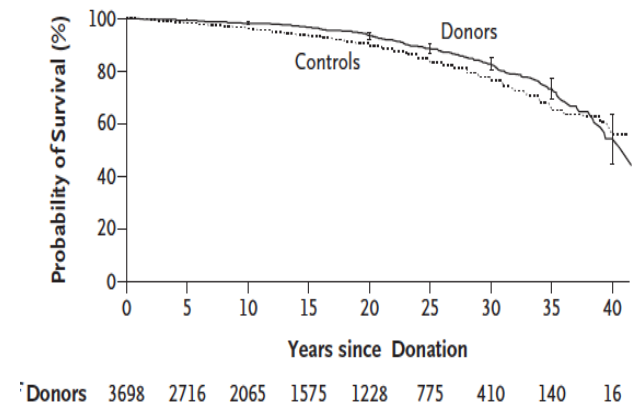
# Why is Mortality an Issue?

Author	Country	Setting	N	Follow Up
Fehrman-Ekholm et al, 1997	Sweden	Single center	430	1-35 years
Okamoto et al, 2009	Japan	Single center	481	1-35 years
Ibrahim et al, 2009	USA	Single center	3,698	1-45 years
Mjoen et al, 2012	Norway	Single (national) center	2,269	1-48 years
Fournier et al, 2012	Paris	Single center	310	1-53 years

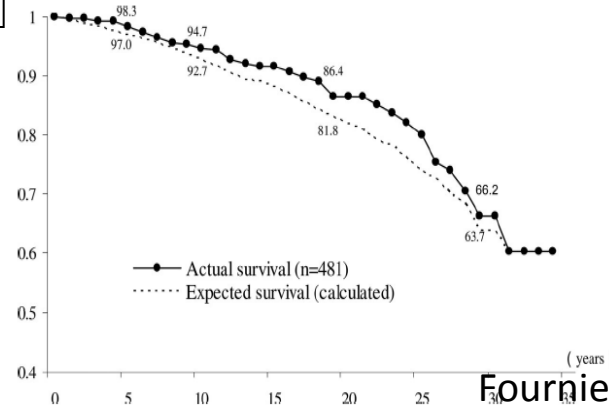
Fehrman-Ekholm n=430



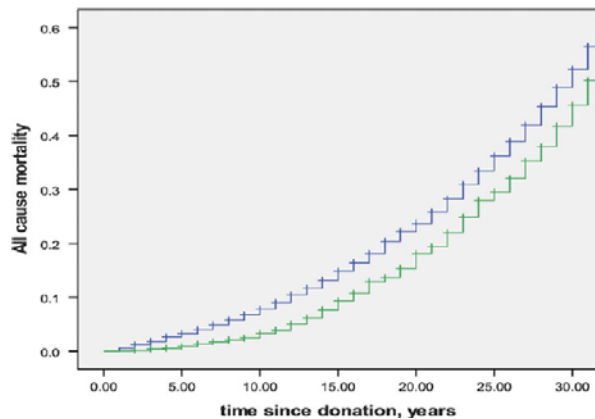
Ibrahim n= 3698



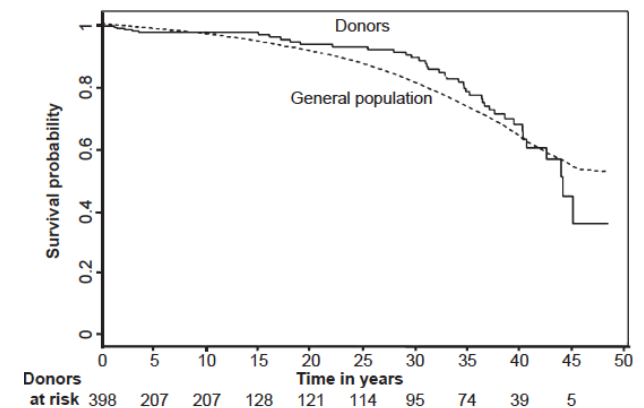
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Mjøen N =2269



Fournier N = 310



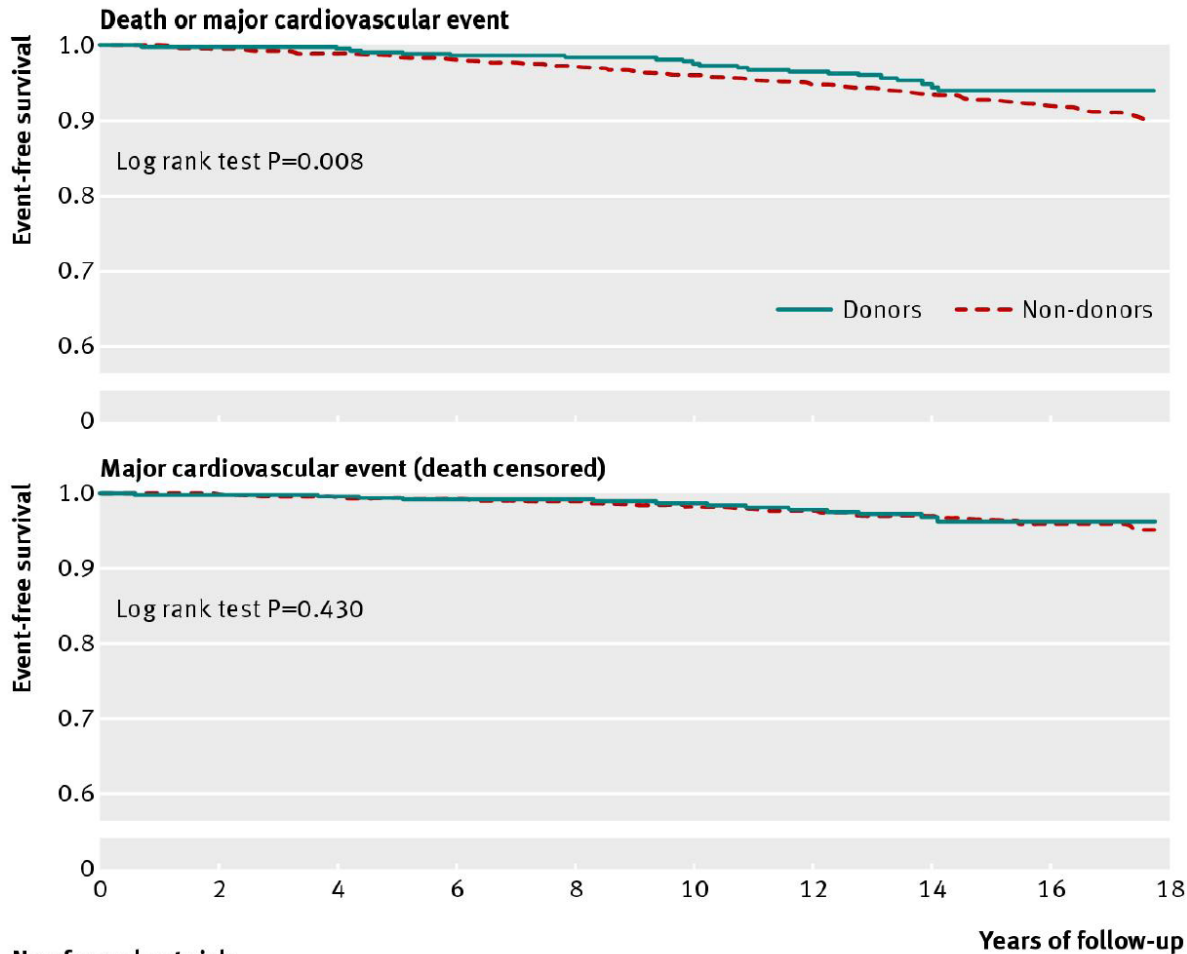
## Survival in Donors versus Selected “Healthy” Controls

Author	Data source	Number Follow Up	Outcomes Source	Comparator
Garg 2012	Ontario Canada  LKD registry	2,028  1-18 yrs	Linked to provincial death records and medical claims	“Healthy” persons in same databases (screened for baseline comorbidity)
Segev 2010	USA National  LKD registry	80,347  1-15 yrs	Linked to death master file	“Healthy” persons from NHANES III (screened for baseline comorbidity)



# Ontario donors vs Healthy Controls

[Garg et al, *BMJ* 2012; 344:e1203]



18 years  
follow-up

## No of people at risk

Non-donors

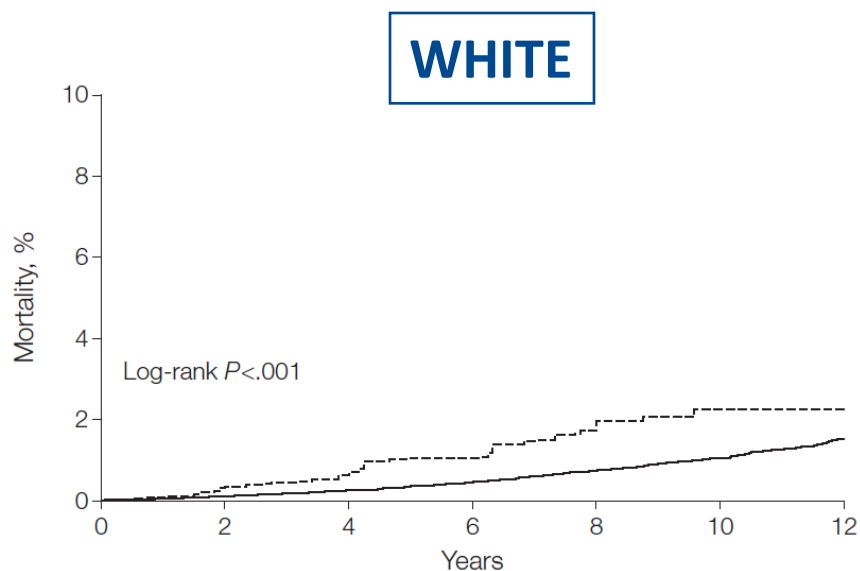
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Donors

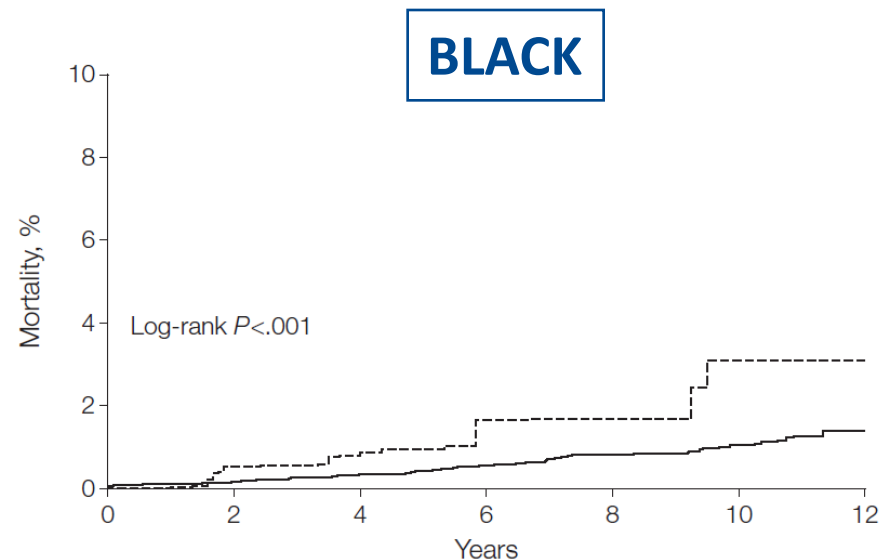
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# U.S. Registry Sample vs Healthy Controls

- **12-yr** LKD mortality was **similar/lower** than that of “healthy” matched controls
- Including among **sub-groups** stratified by **race**



68 422	57 684	46 565	35 321	15 958	4 824	104
68 529	58 009	46 873	35 789	25 133	16 043	8809



trols 11 235	9664	7910	5934	3112	1048	22
10 505	9066	7417	5575	3942	2520	1381

Segev et al, *JAMA* 2010; 303:959



# Is it Really That Safe?

## Long-term risks for kidney donors

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**Kidney International 2014 86: 162-7**

Kidney donors in Norway  
1963–2007,  $n=2269$

General adult population in Norway  
HUNT 1 survey, 1985–1987,  
 $n=74,991$

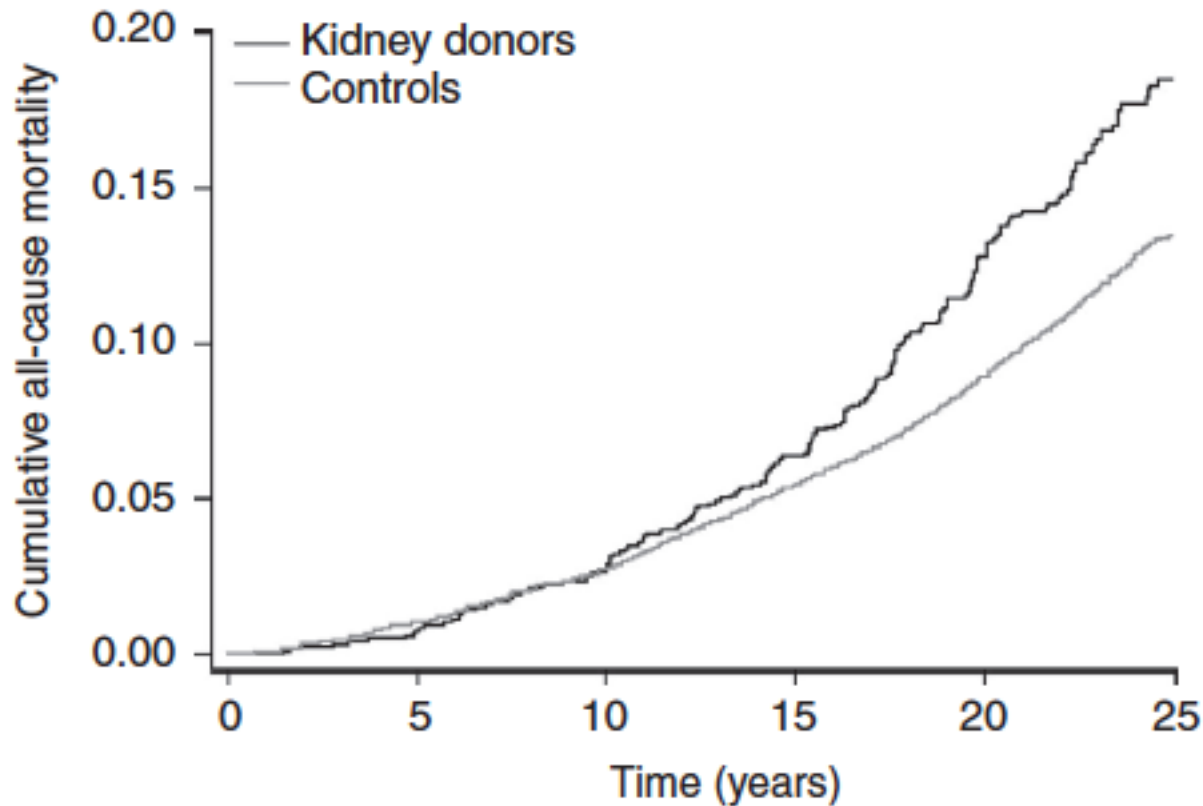
Exclusion:

Age > 70 years ( $n=89$ )  
Age < 20 years ( $n=6$ )  
BMI > 30 kg/m<sup>2</sup> ( $n=125$ )  
BMI < 17 kg/m<sup>2</sup> ( $n=1$ )  
BP > 140/90 mm Hg  
( $n=98$ )  
BP medication ( $n=8$ )  
eGFR < 70 ml/min per  
1.73 m<sup>2</sup> ( $n=41$ )

Exclusion:

Age > 70 years ( $n=12,745$ )  
Age < 20 years ( $n=24$ )  
BMI > 30 kg/m<sup>2</sup>  
( $n=1998$ )  
BMI < 17 kg/m<sup>2</sup> ( $n=23$ )  
BP > 140/90 mm Hg  
( $n=8964$ )  
BP medication ( $n=4991$ )  
Diabetes ( $n=1348$ )  
CVD ( $n=2765$ )  
Reduced general health  
( $n=9512$ )

1901 Donors and 32,621 controls  
fulfilling standard donation criteria



**Hazard Ratio All Cause Mortality**  
**1.31 (1.11 – 1.52)**

# Baseline Characteristics of Donors and Controls

	Kidney Donors	Controls
Age, years	<b>46.0 ± 11.5</b>	<b>37.6 ± 11.7</b>
Male gender, %	41.0	46.9
Current smoking, %	<b>41.5</b>	<b>39.5</b>
Systolic BP, mm Hg	<b>123.3 ± 10.0</b>	<b>121.4 ± 10.4</b>
Diastolic BP, mm Hg	77.4 ± 7.2	77.2 ± 7.9
BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup>	24.2 ± 2.8	23.5 ± 2.6

# Limitations - Control group

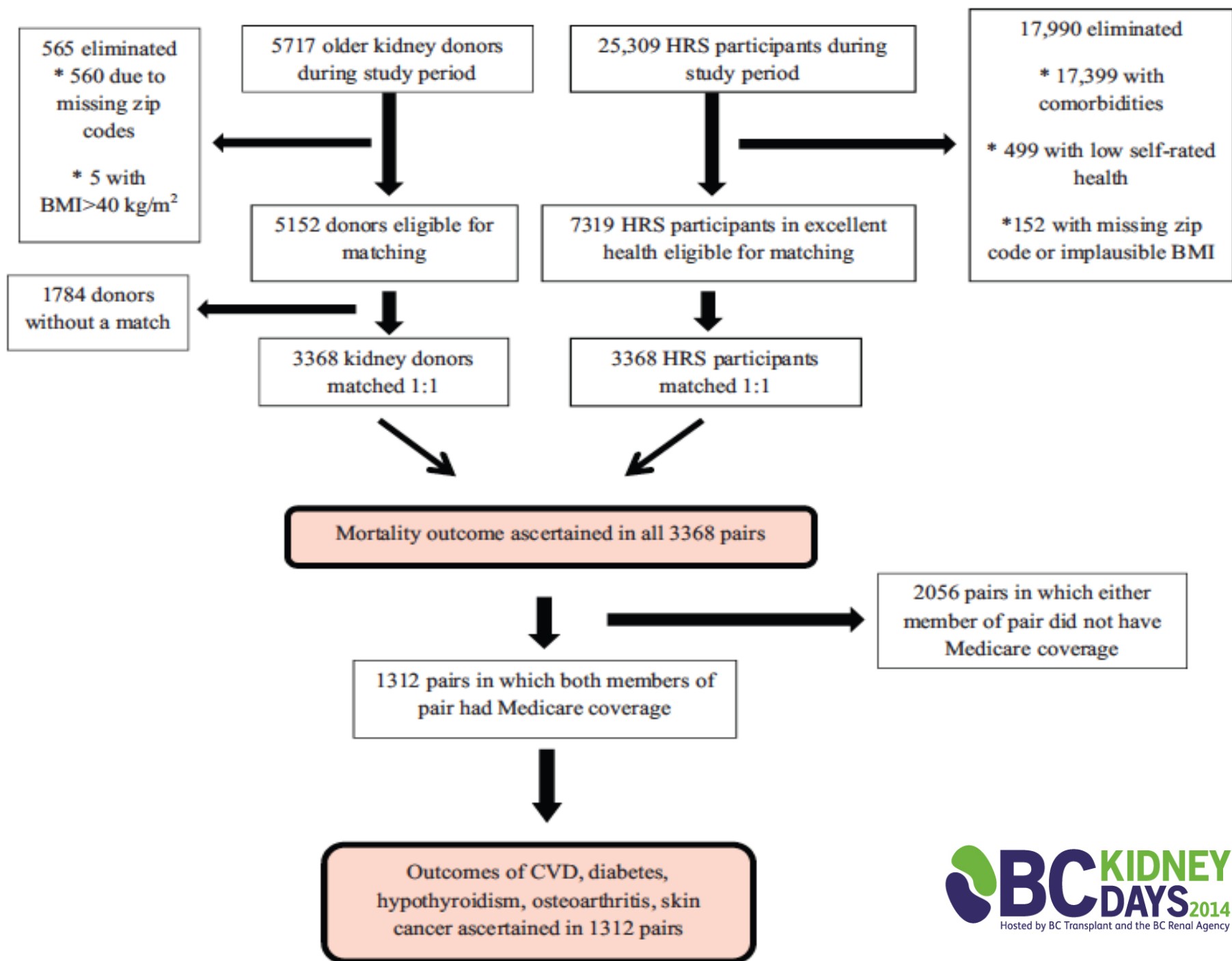
- Significant differences between donors and controls
  - Age: Donors  $46.0 \pm 11.5$  versus  $37.6 \pm 11.7$
  - Era: Donors 1963-2007 versus 1985-87 controls
  - Smoking: More donors smoked
  - Controls come from one community where donors come from all over the country

# Mortality and Cardiovascular Disease Among Older Live Kidney Donors

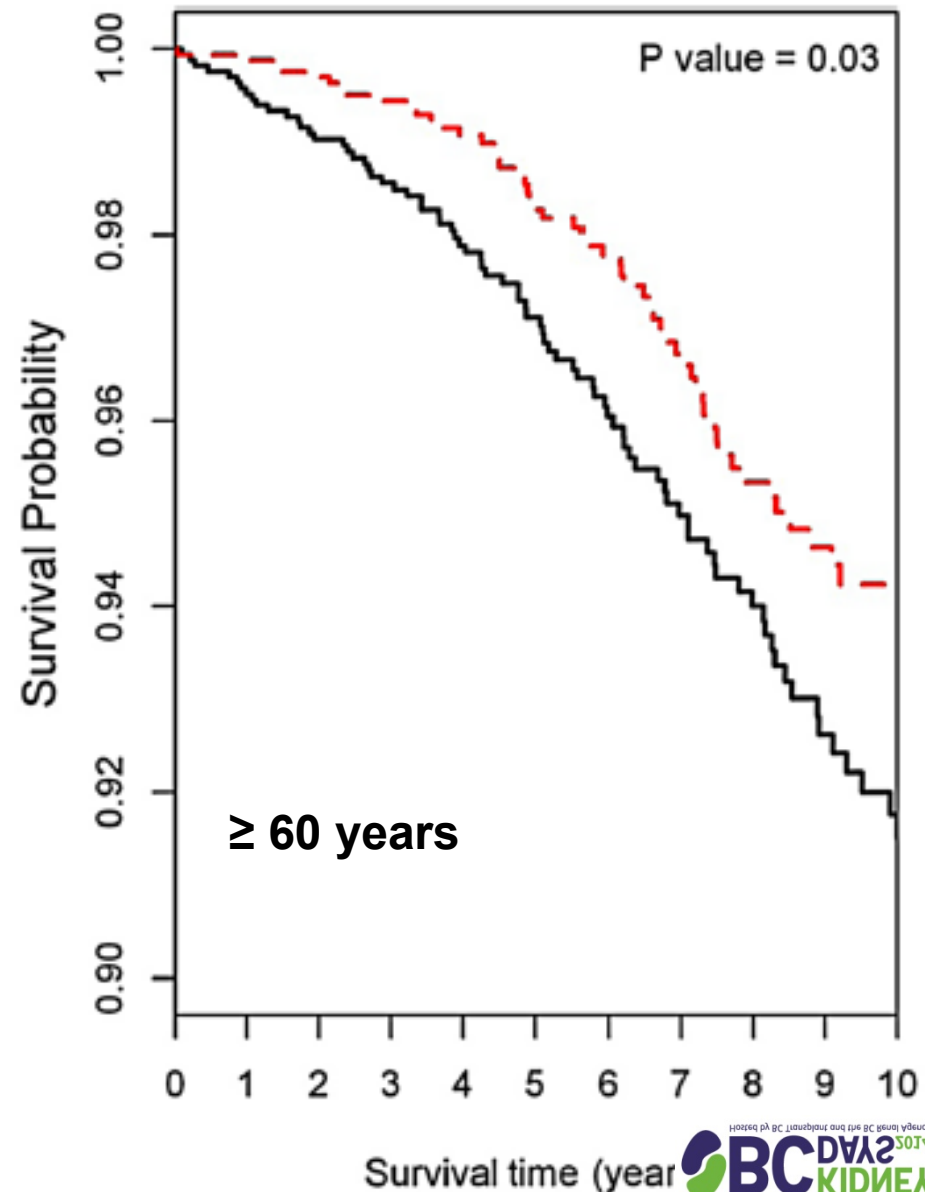
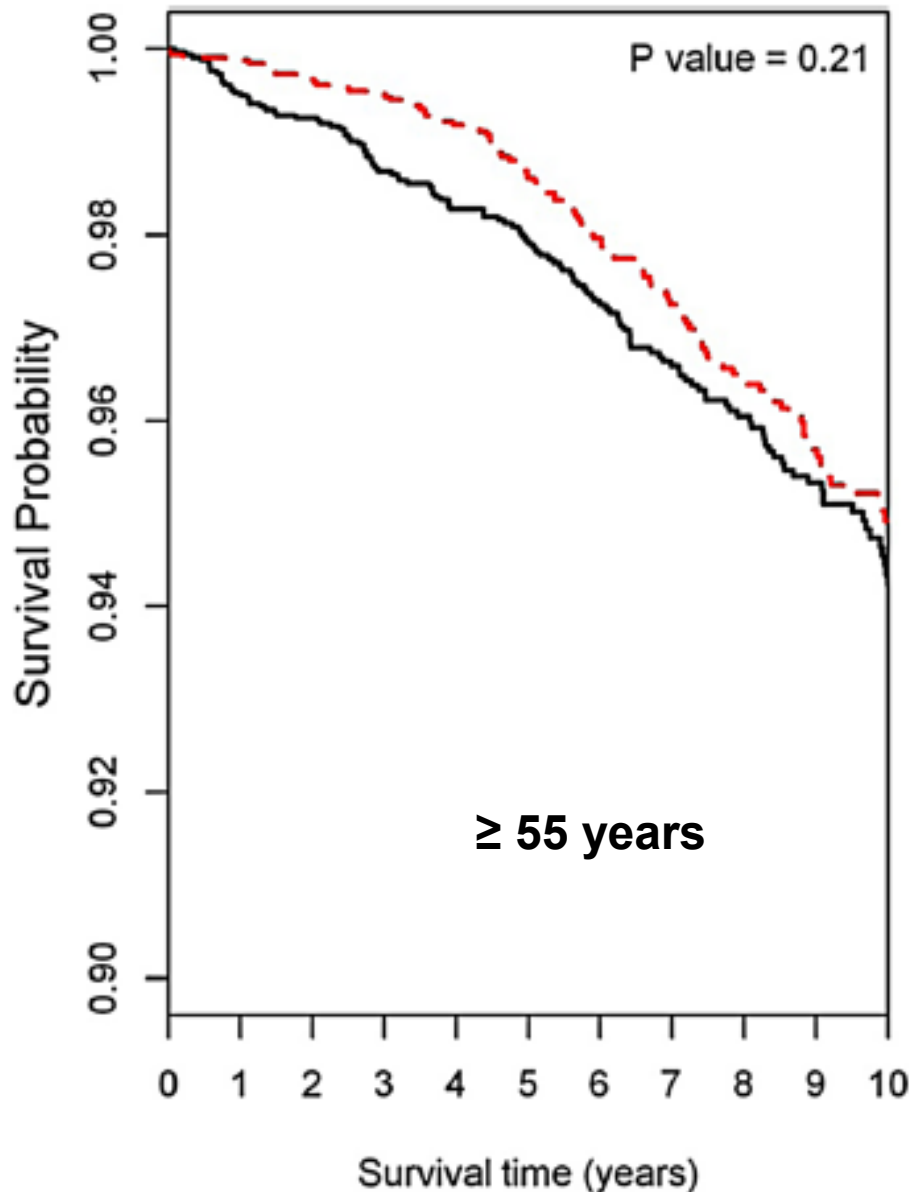
Reese PP et al AJT 2014; 14: 1853 -1861

## Design features:

- Donors and controls were from the same era
  - Controls were participants in Health and Retirement Study
- Effort to minimize ascertainment bias
  - Death Master File used for outcome of death
  - For non-fatal outcomes identified from Medicare Claims
    - Matched pairs of donors and controls censored when either member of pair lost Medicare coverage
  - ESRD outcomes not reported because of concerns with use of Medicare claims for this outcome



# No difference in Survival





**What about risk of kidney disease?**

# ESRD in Living Donor Cohorts

Author	Country	Setting	FU (yrs)	ESRD	
Fehrman-Ekholm et al, 2006	Sweden	Single center		0.5%	(6/1112)
Rosenblatt , 2008	USA	Single center	1-46	0.3%	(4/3591)
Ibrahim et al, 2009	USA	Single center	1-45	0.3%	(11/3698)
Lentine et al, 2010	USA	National, insurance claims	mean 7.7	0.7% AA 0.5% Hisp 0% White	
Wafa et al, 2011	Egypt	Single center	1-23	0.4%	(8/2000)
Cherikh et al, 2011	USA	National	mean 9.8	0.2%	(126/56K)
Fournier et al, 2012	Paris	Single center	1-53	0.9%	(3/310)

**When person-time available, no increase identified vs rates in gen pop**

Original Investigation

# Risk of End-Stage Renal Disease Following Live Kidney Donation

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Maureen A. McBride, PhD; Jennifer L. Wainright, PhD; Dorry L. Segev, MD, PhD

*JAMA*. 2014;311(6):579-586. doi:10.1001/jama.2013.285141

# Strengths of This Study

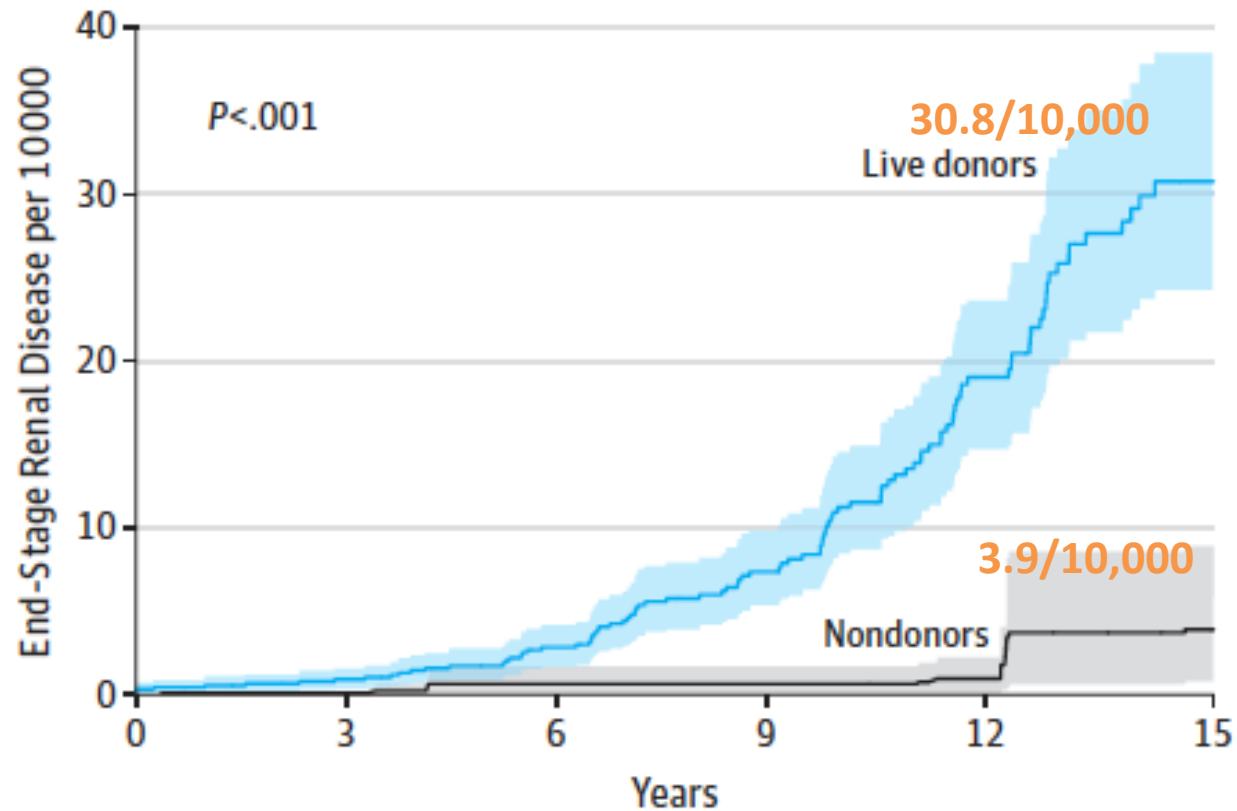
- Includes every donor in U.S.
- Rigorous outcome assessment of ESRD in donors

	No. of Donors	Cases of ESRD	Cumulative Incidence of ESRD at 15 Years per 10 000 (95% CI)
All donors <sup>a</sup>	96 217	99	30.8 (24.3-38.5)
Age at donation, y			
18-39	46 344	50	29.4 (21.4-40.2)
40-49	28 994	17	17.4 (10.1-30.0)
50-59	16 840	25	54.6 (34.8-85.4)
≥60	4039	7	70.2 (30.4-161.8)
Sex			
Women	56 775	42	21.1 (14.9-29.9)
Men	39 442	57	44.1 (32.9-59.1)
Race			
White/other	71 769	50	22.7 (15.6-30.1)
Black	12 387	36	74.7 (47.8-105.8)
Hispanic	12 061	13	32.6 (17.9-59.1)
Relationship to recipient <sup>b</sup>			
Biological	64 897	83	34.1 (26.9-43.3)
Nonbiological	31 081	16	15.1 (08.7-26.3)

	Number	Years	ESRD Outcome Source	Median Maximum Follow Up	Crude ESRD Incidence
Donors reported to OPTN	96,217	April 1, 1994 –  Nov 30, 2011	CMS 2728  Activation to transplant Waiting List	7.6 years  15 years	99 cases  10.3 per 10,000
Controls NHANES III	20,024	1988 –  1994	CMS 2728	15 years	17 cases
Healthy sub-set	9,364			15 years	18.2 per 10,000

# Incidence of ESRD in Donors Versus Controls

**A** Cumulative incidence of end-stage renal disease



No. at risk

Live donors	96217	77587	58979	39231	21573	8781
Nondonors	96217	95930	95422	94734	94199	50174

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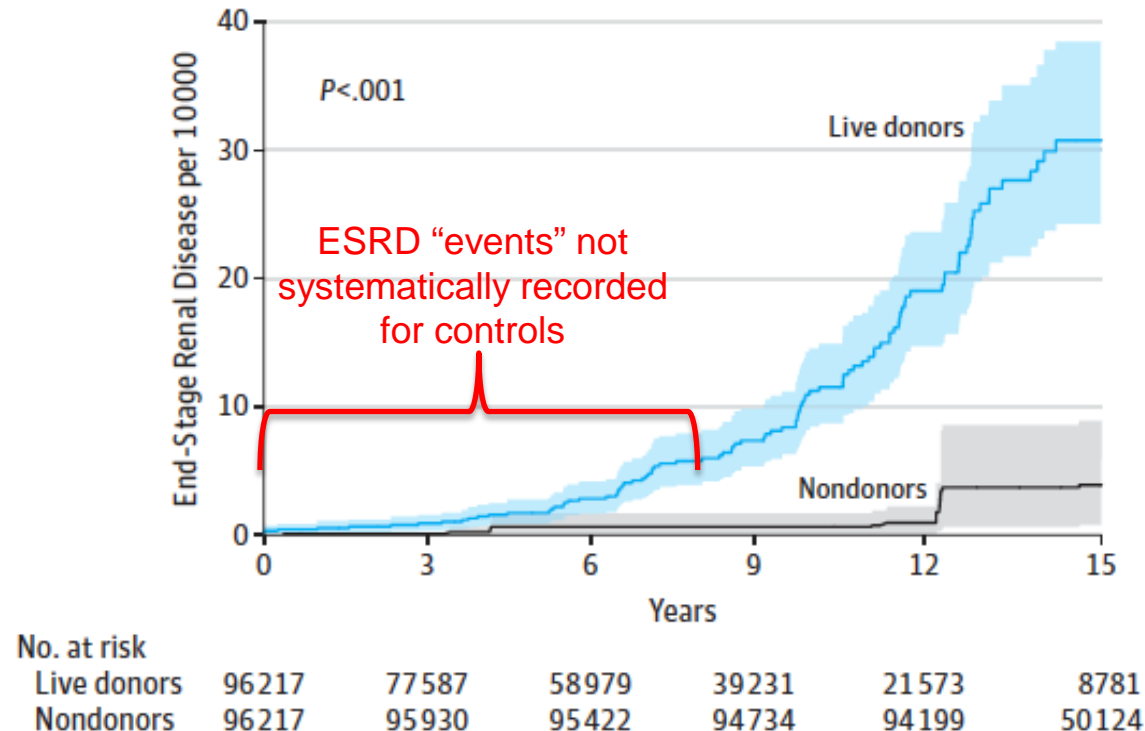
Different Outcome Assessment



# Limitation

## Differential ascertainment of ESRD in donors/non-donors

**A** Cumulative incidence of end-stage renal disease



- NHANES cohort 1988-94 versus donors 1994 -2011
- CMS 2728 form instituted in 1995
  - ESRD cases in non-donor controls not captured 1988-94
  - Explains why ESRD event rate in controls is initially flat

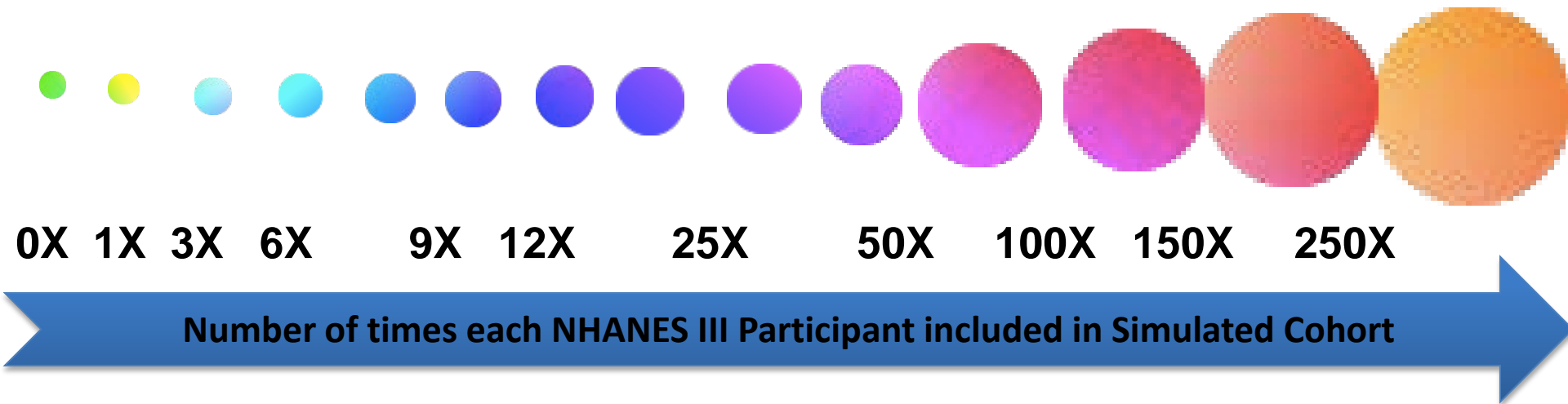
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10 X Fewer actual controls

# Relationship between “Healthy” NHANES III Participants and Simulated Control Group

- 9634 “Healthy” NHANES III → 17 ESRD
- 96,217 Simulated Controls → 36 ESRD

- Subgroups of NHANES III participants of varying N
- Frequency of inclusion in Simulated Cohort depends on “Fit” to donors
- The 17 NHANES III who developed ESRD are embedded in the Sub-groups



# Why is this problematic if Simulated Controls were chosen without knowledge of the outcome?

- ESRD was rare ( $n = 17$ )
- We do not know the frequency with which the NHANES III participants (with and without ESRD) were included in the Simulated Cohort

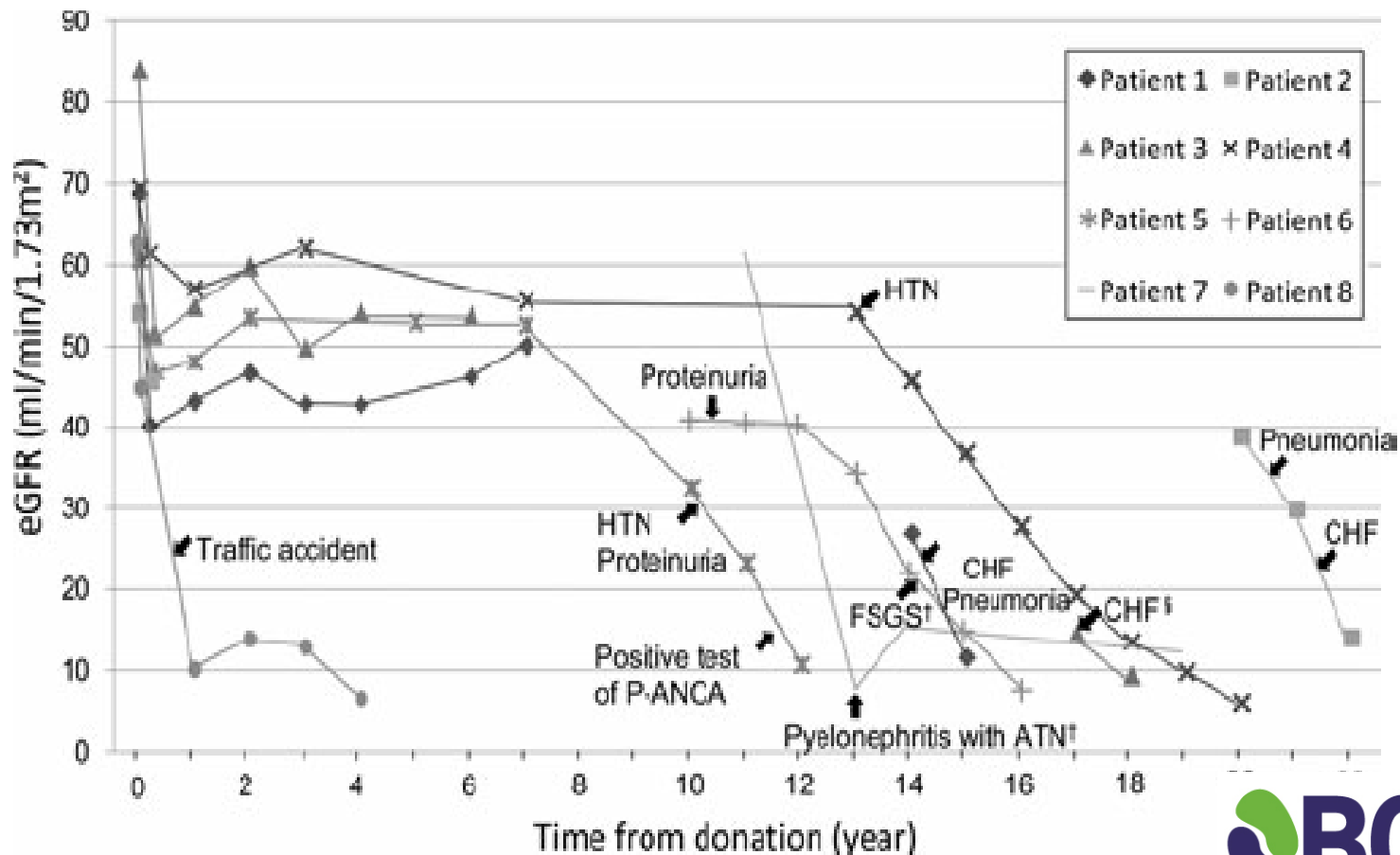
# What do I conclude from this study?

- Risk of ESRD in US Donors at 15 years is 3 in 1000
- Some individuals will develop kidney failure in their lifetime because they donated

# How do LKD develop ESRD?

[Kido et al. *Am J Transpl* 2009;11:2154]

- ESRD preceded by comorbidity (HTN, proteinuria, CVD, infection)



T. C. Turin, M. Tonelli, B. J. Manns, S. B. Ahmed,  
P. Ravani, M. James, B. R. Hemmelgarn.

**Lifetime Risk of ESRD.** Journal of the American  
Society of Nephrology, 2012

- Approximately 1 in 40 men and 1 in 60 women of middle age will develop kidney failure if they live into their 90s.
- This equates to a 2.66% risk of kidney failure for men and a 1.76% risk for women if they live into their 90s.



# My Conclusions

- The donor workup can identify those individuals at greater risk of future kidney disease but it is more reliable in older versus younger donors.
- Risk factors are more important in younger versus older donors.
- GFR matters.

# When to rule out donors

## Canadian Guidelines

- GFR cutoffs
- Diabetes risk
- Hypertension
- Proteinuria/Hematuria

# GFR Cut Offs

- If 18 to 30 years old ... GFR < 90 mL/min per 1.73 m<sup>2</sup> precludes donation
- If age 31 to 40 ... GFR < 85 mL/min per 1.73 m<sup>2</sup> precludes donation
- If age 41 to 65 ... GFR < 80 mL/min per 1.73 m<sup>2</sup> precludes donation
- If age > 65 ... GFR < 75 mL/min per 1.73 m<sup>2</sup> precludes donation

# Acceptance Criteria – Blood Sugar

- FBG x 2 <6.1 mmol/L, HbA1C <6.0%
- FBG 6.1-6.9 mmol/L (IFG) with 2h OGTT <7.8 mmol/L in donors over 50 and HbA1C < 6.0%
- Donors over 50 with history of gestational diabetes and normal FBG and 2h OGTT.
- Donors at higher risk of DM over 50 with normal FBG and 2h OGTT.

# Acceptance Criteria - Hypertension

- Normotensive (BP times 2 < 140/90)
- Age > 50 with history of hypertension well controlled on one BP medication and no evidence of target organ damage

# Acceptance Criteria Microscopic Hematuria

- Negative workup including renal biopsy
- An individual with thin basement membrane disease (with other testing all being normal) is suitable to become a living kidney donor.

# What about the Grey Areas?

- Who gets to decide when the risk is too high?
- For transplant program donor safety over riding priority.
- For individual donor priority may be the recipient.