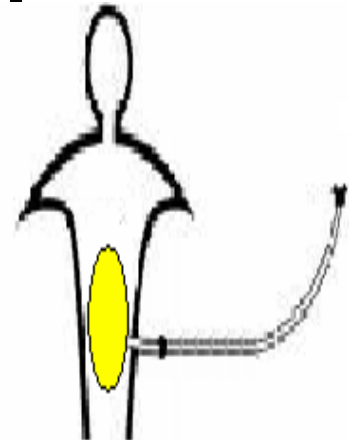


# **Introduction To The Peritoneal Dialysis Outcomes and Practice Pattern Study**

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# Remembering a Colleague, a Mentor and a Friend

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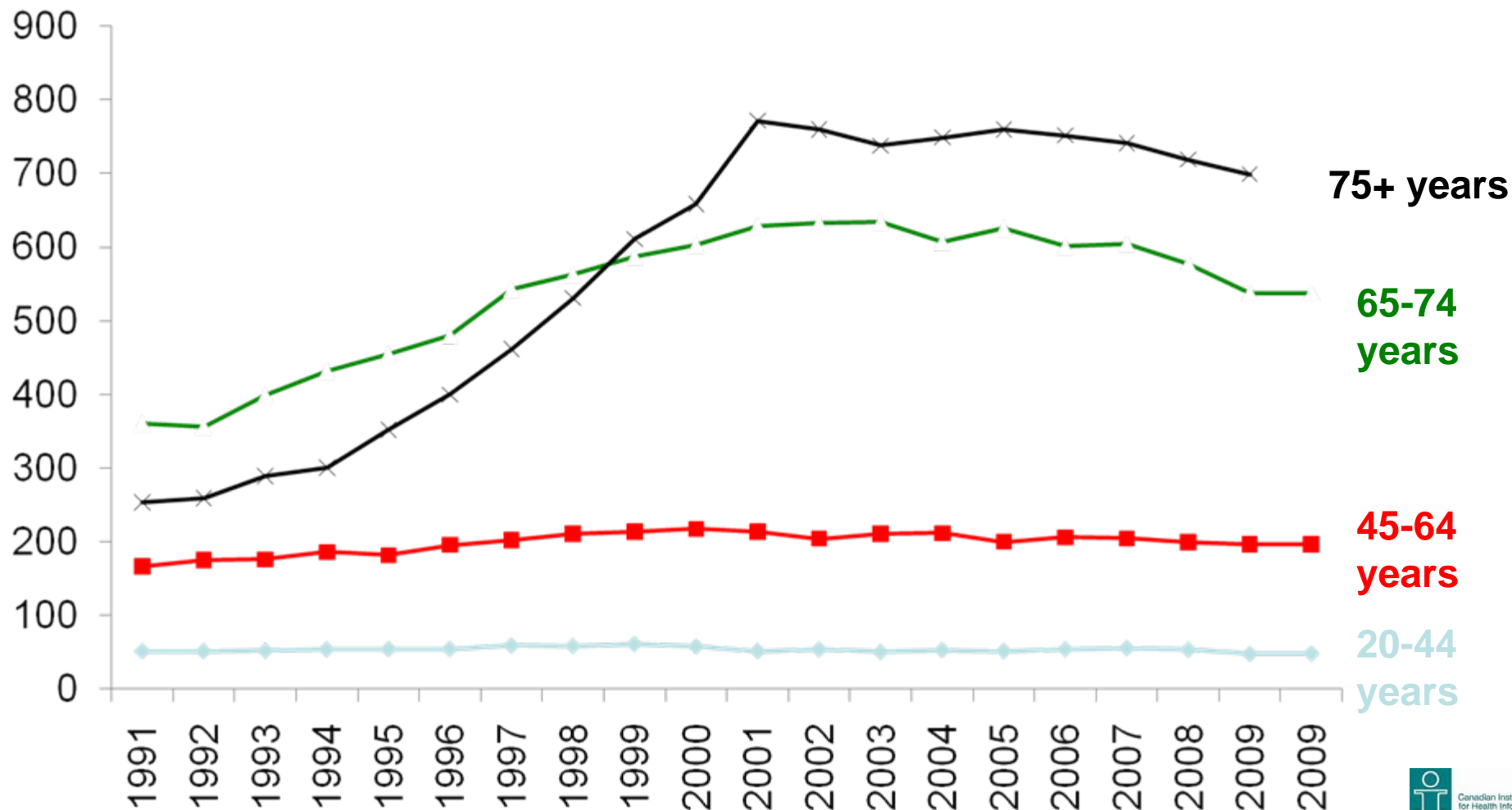
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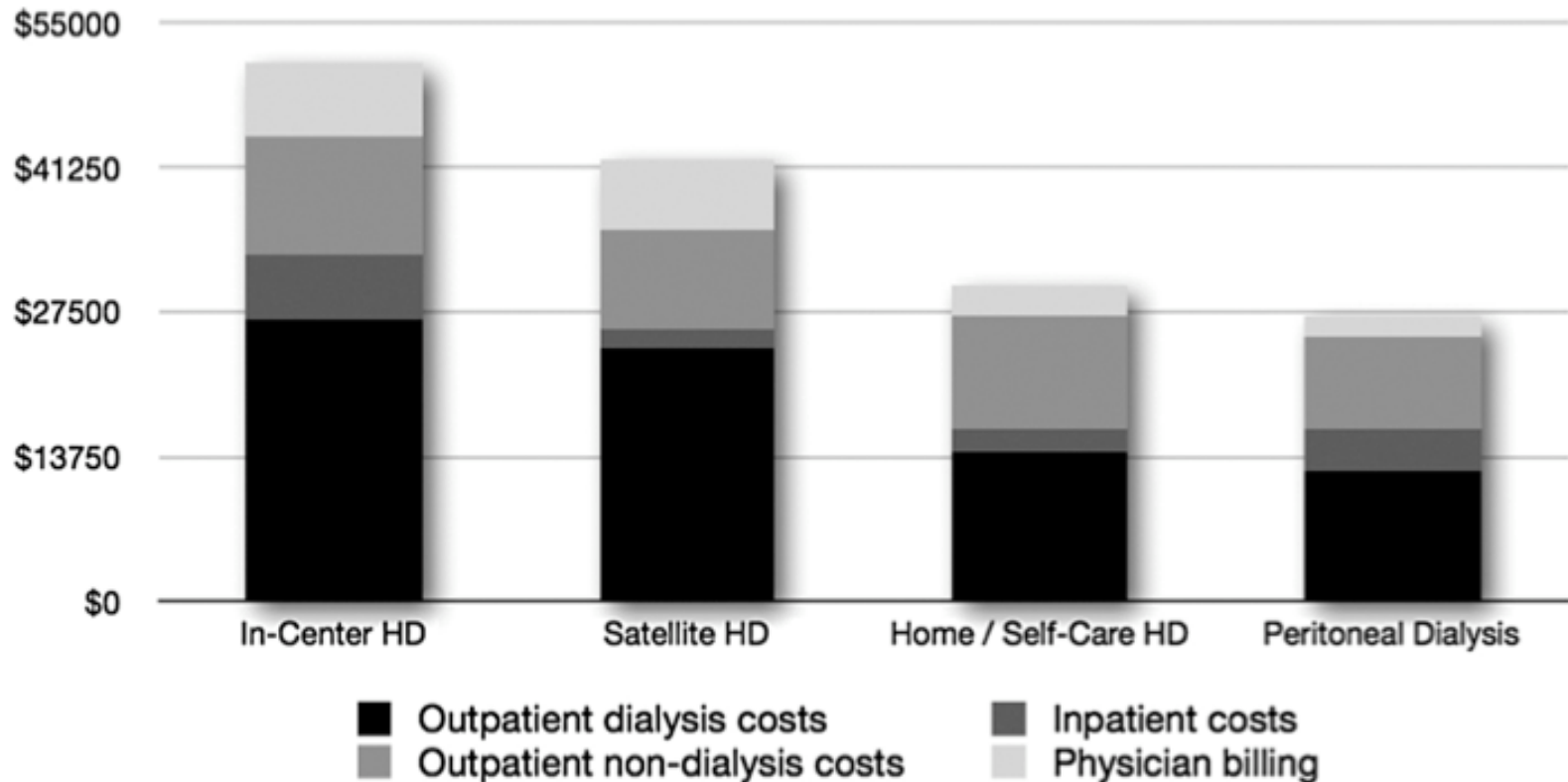
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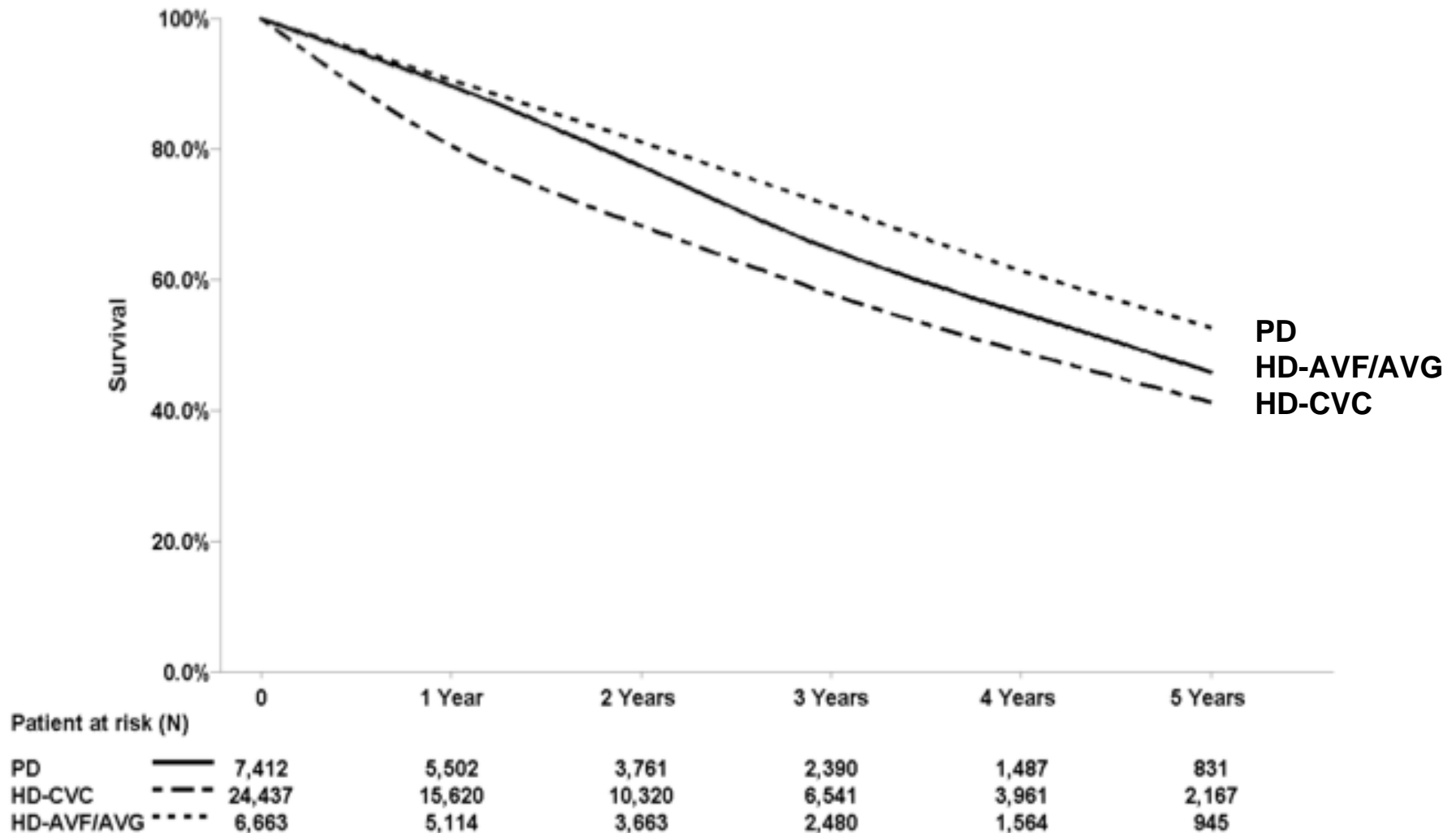


# Cost Per Year: PD vs. HD

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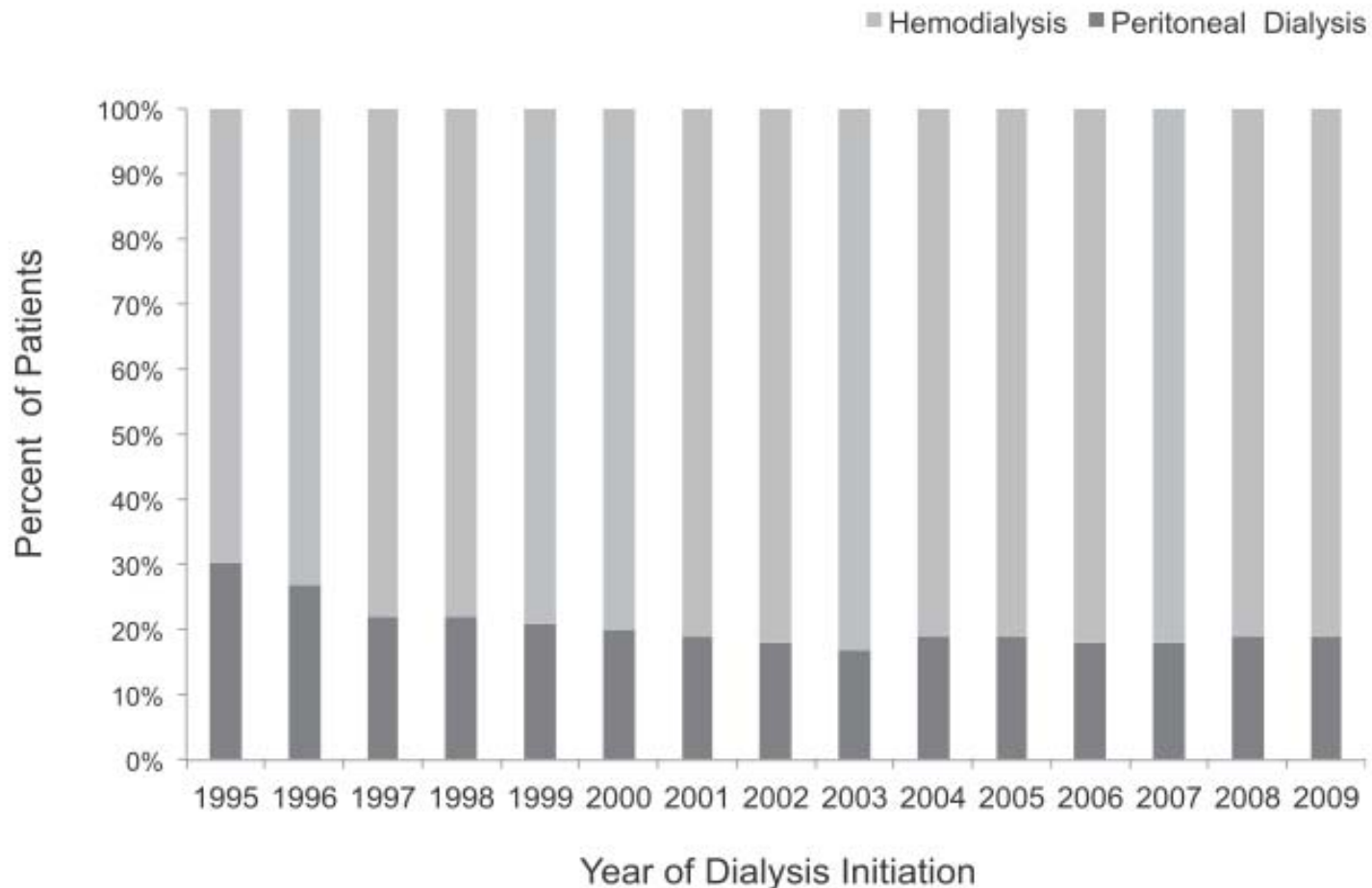


# Survival: PD vs. HD



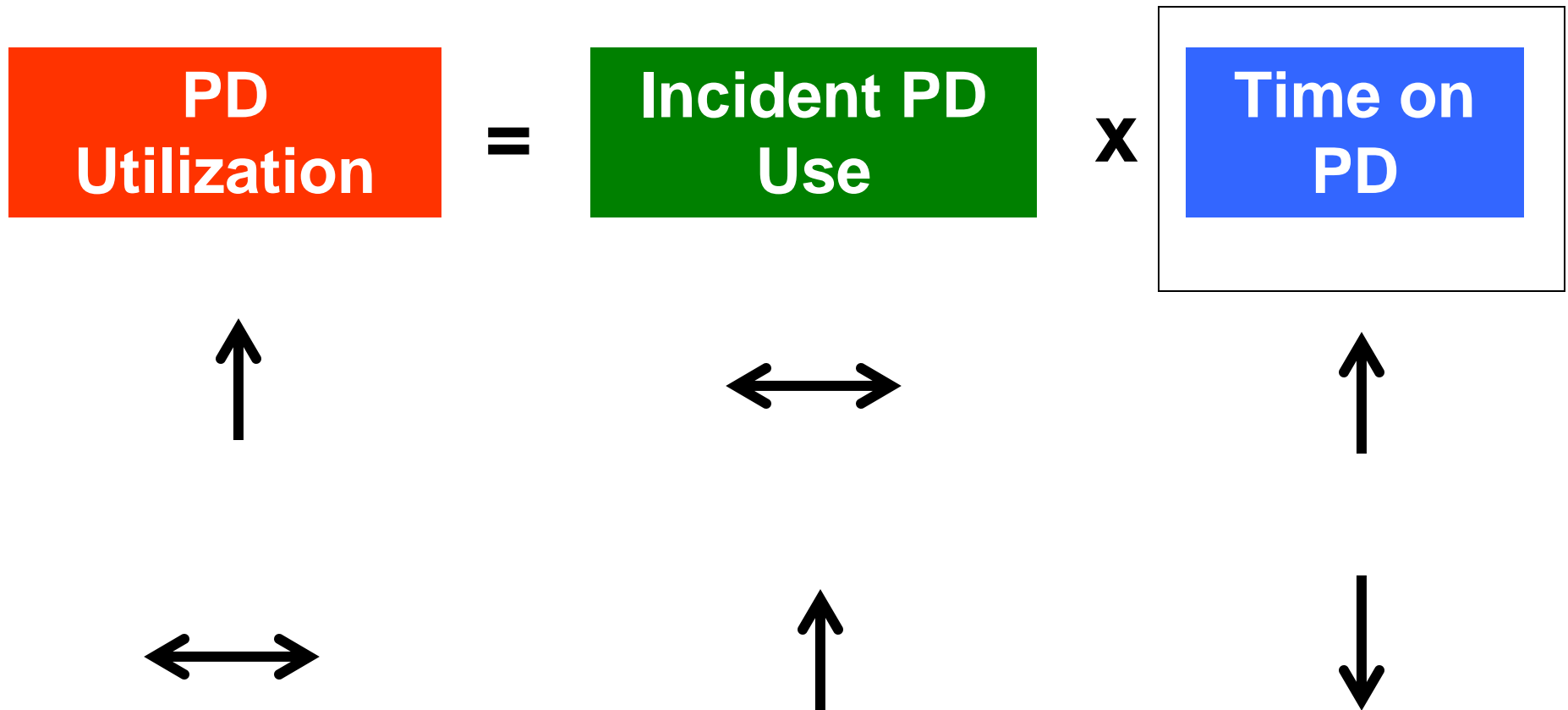
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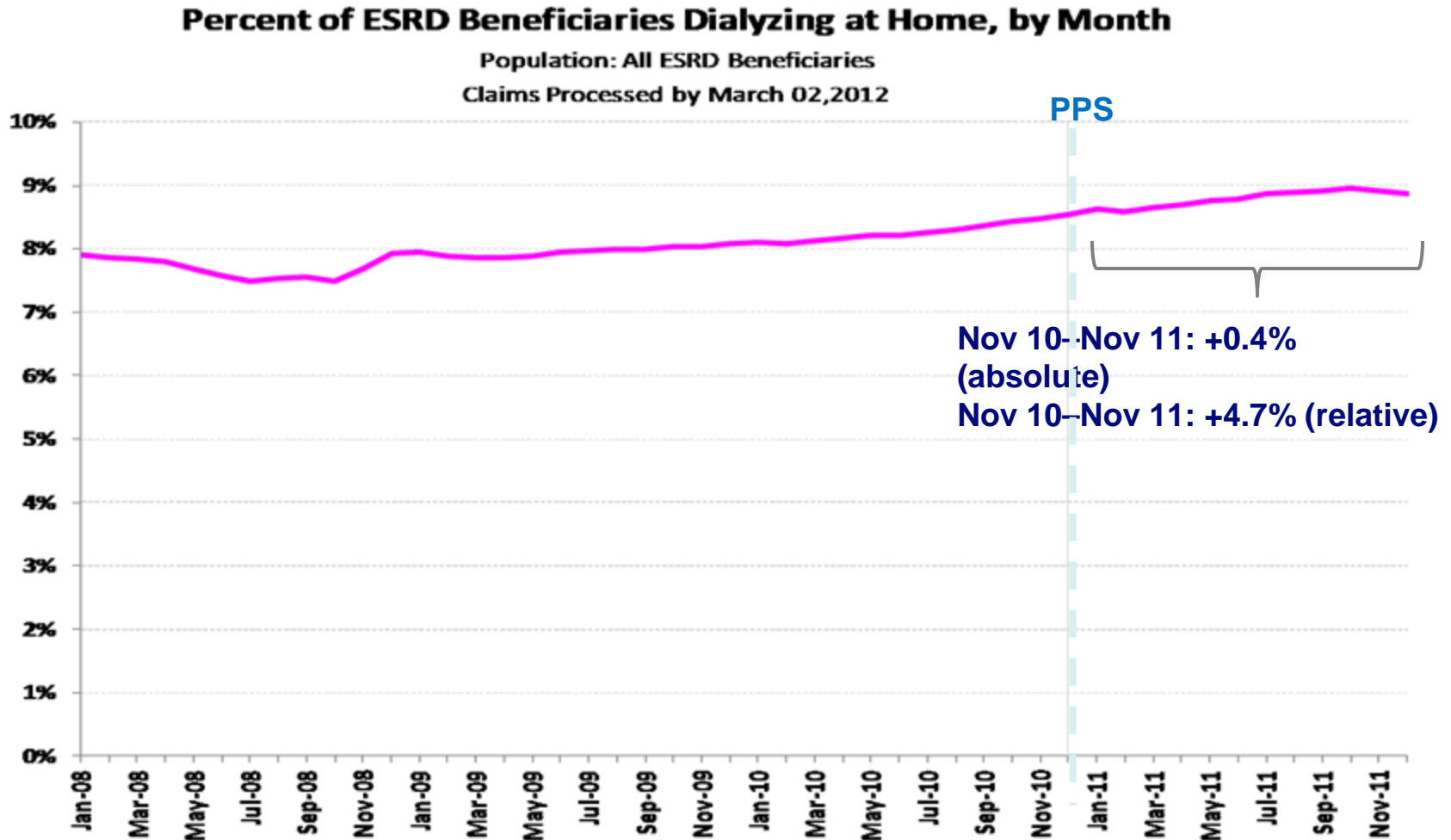


# Increasing PD Utilization

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# CMS ESRD Data: Overview of 2011 Claims-Based Monitoring



8% total in 2009 (7% PD, 1% HHD); PD in 6% of incident pts)

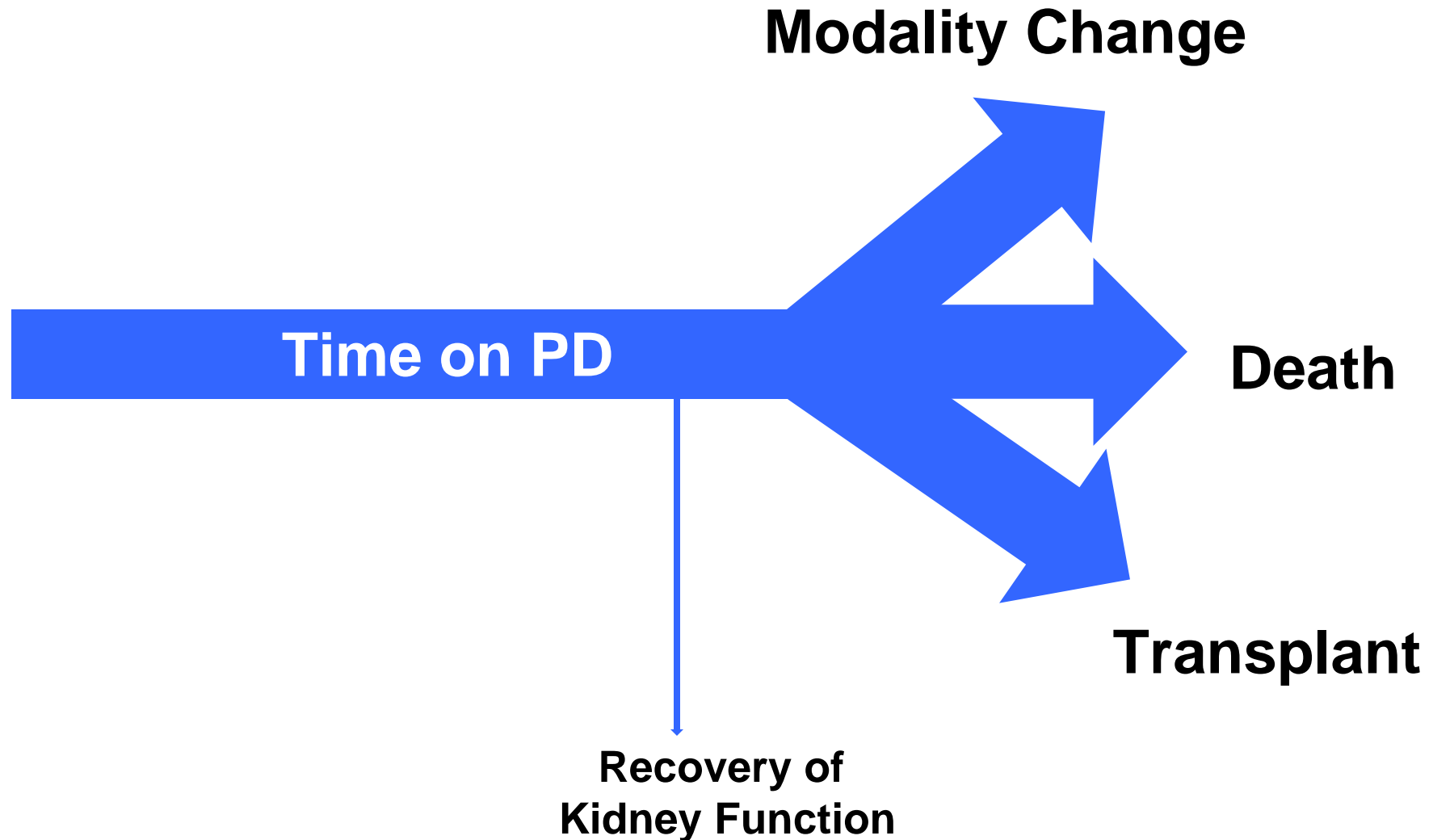
# Greater PD Uptake in US: A New Frontier!

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- Assuming projections hold, will greater PD use be due to:
  - Uptake by ‘novice facilities’
  - Uptake among under-represented patient groups?
  - Both?
- What will the effects be on PD technique survival?

# Outcomes For Incident PD Patients

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# Definition of “Technique Failure”

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- ❑ *any PD-related complication that leads to the permanent cessation of the therapy*
- ❑ When does PD begin ?
- ❑ Should it include death and change in modality ?
- ❑ What is permanent?

# When Does PD Begin ?

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# When Does PD Begin?

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3886 patients who chose PD and  
Underwent PD Catheter Insertion in Ontario  
April 2002 – March 2010

Death/Transplant/No Dialysis: n= 175 (5%)  
Hemodialysis: n= 445 (12%)

3227(83%) patients had at least 4 weeks of PD use

# When does PD Begin ?

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169 patients who chose PD and underwent a PD catheter attempt

**Primary PD  
Catheter  
malfunction n=2**

**Early exit site  
infection n=1**

**PD Catheter leak  
n=2**

**Failed attempt n=7**

**Patient chose HD after PD  
catheter insertion n=5**

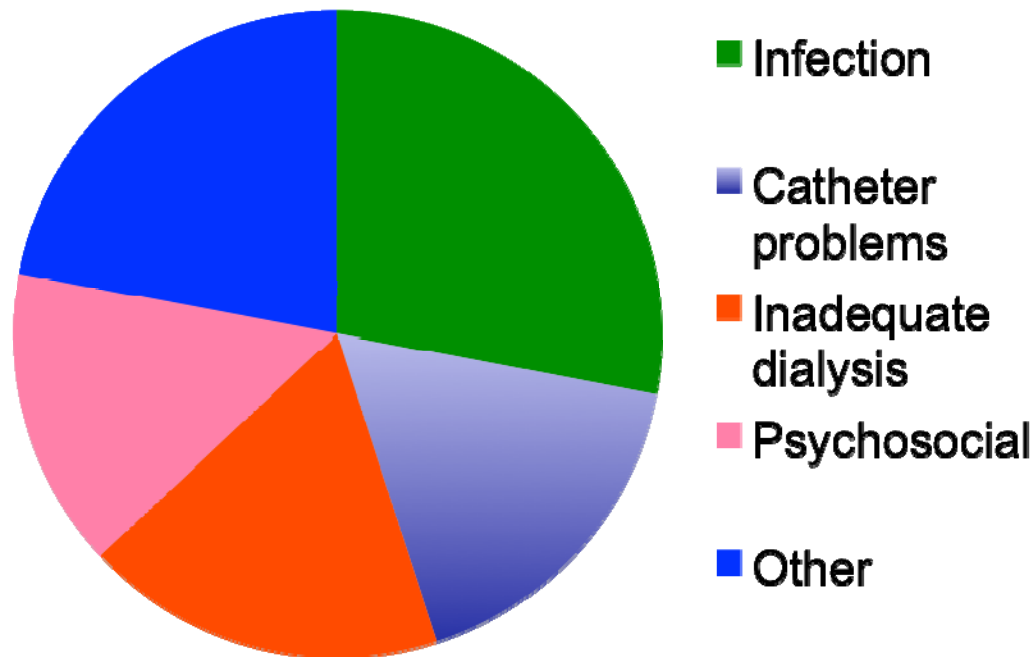
**Abdominal hernia  
during training n=1**

147 (87%) patients who  
received PD therapy

# Causes of Modality Change Among PD patients

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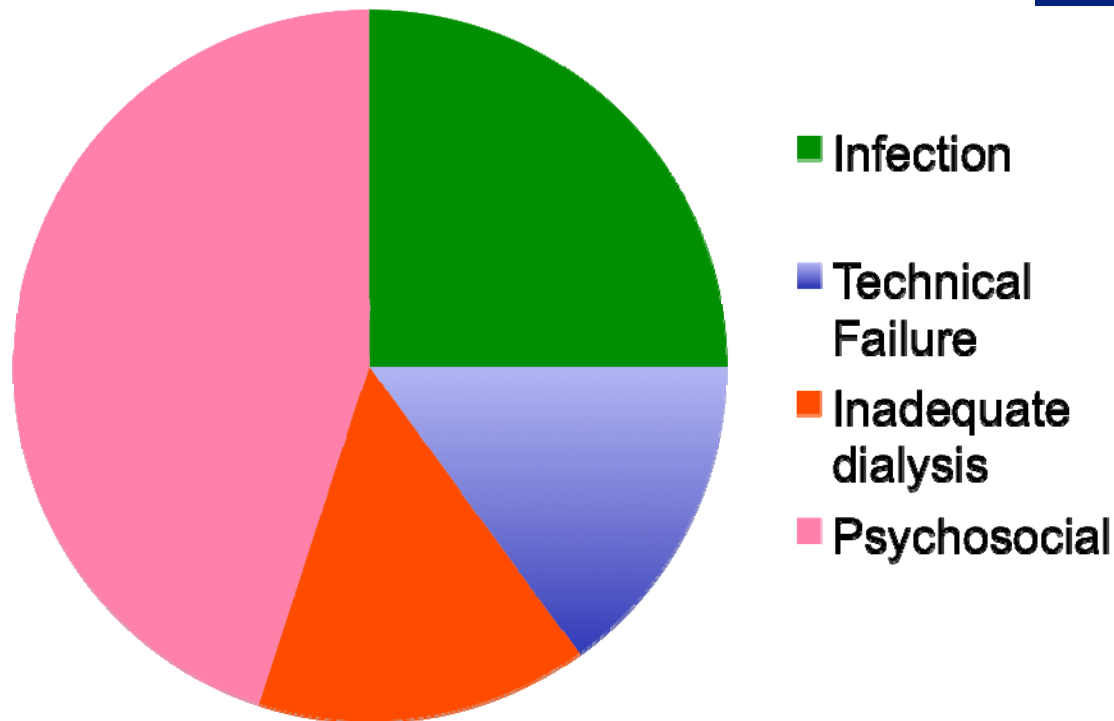
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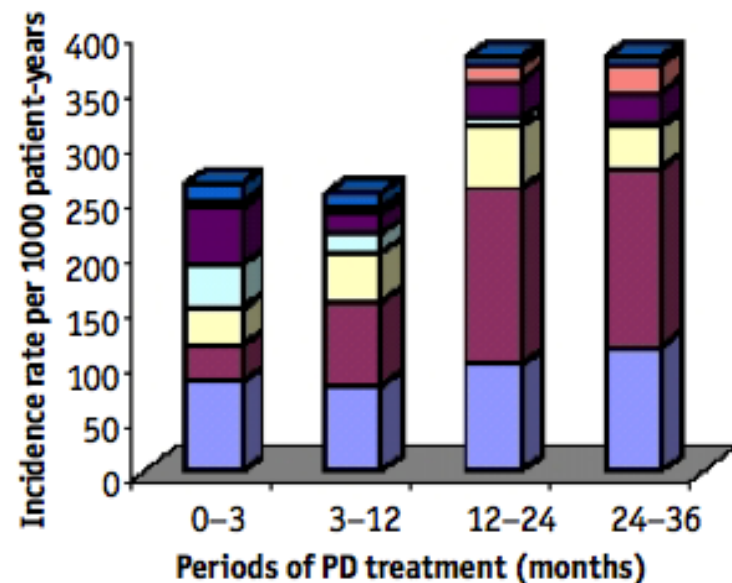
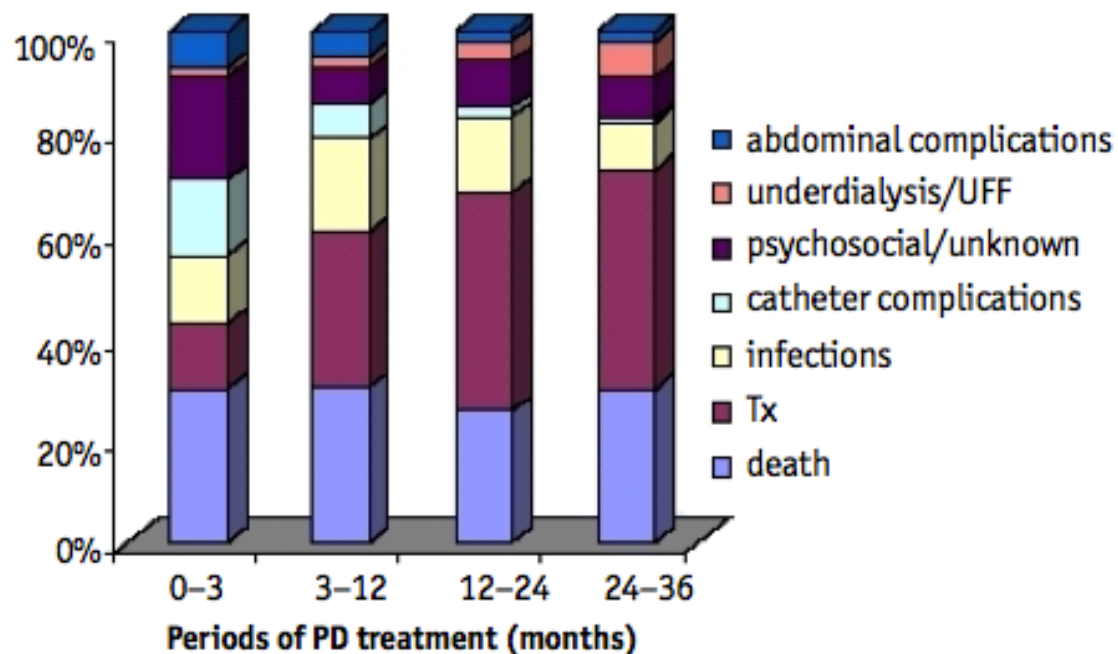
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**Causes of Modality Change**



# Causes of Modality Change Vary By Time on Therapy

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# Why Do Modality Changes Occur After Peritonitis

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- ☐ A marker of non-adherence to therapy
- ☐ A marker of functional decline and/or increased comorbidity
- ☐ Severe intraperitoneal inflammation
  - ☐ loss of ultrafiltration capacity
  - ☐ Loss of small solute clearance
- ☐ Fear of second episode from patient
- ☐ Medical need to remove the catheter for resolution
  - ☐ Concomitant exit site infection
  - ☐ Fungal
  - ☐ Recurrent or repeat episode
  - ☐ Not responding to medical therapy
  - ☐ Temporary vs. Permanent HD
    - ☐ Patient-driven
    - ☐ Physician-driven
    - ☐ System-driven

# Psychosocial Causes of Modality Change From PD

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## Inability to perform self-care dialysis

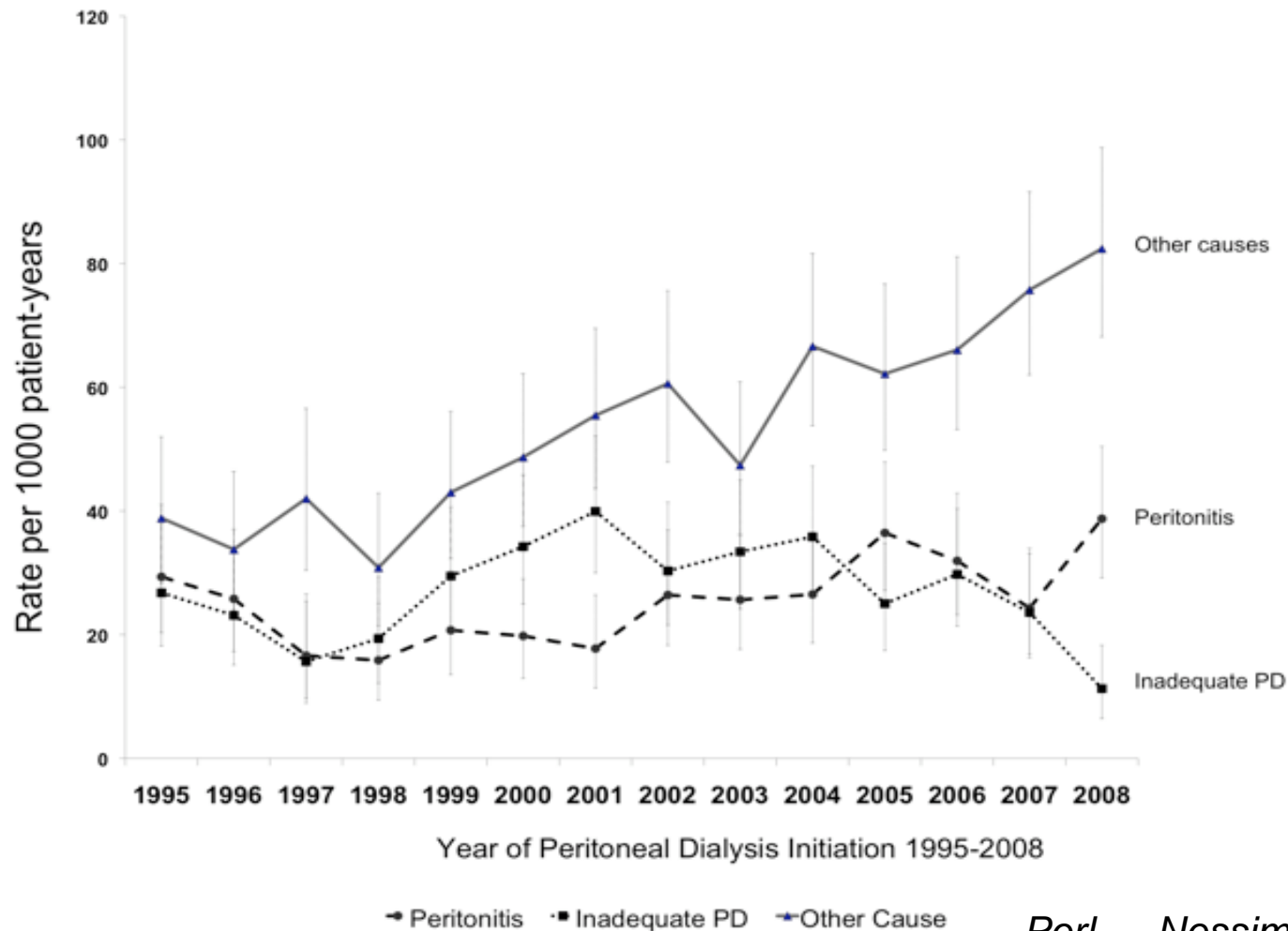
- Acquired comorbidities
- Loss of caregiver/caregiver burnout
- Change in living conditions
- Deteriorating functional and cognitive status

## Patient preference

- Play a role in other causes of modality switch
- Patient burnout
- Poorly understood



# Cause of Modality Change Among PD Patients: Canadian Data



# The 160<sup>th</sup> PD Patient at UHN

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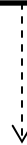
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# The Last 15 years of PD in Canada

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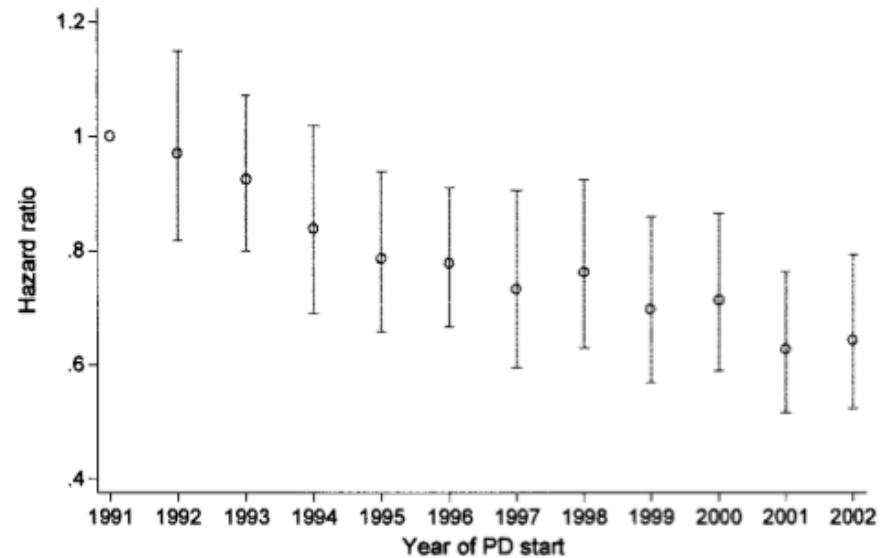
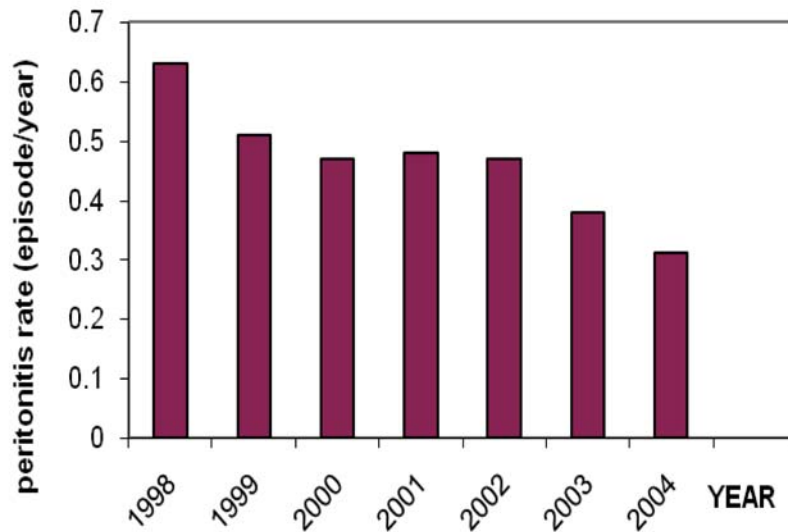
- ❑ Increasing availability and use of novel PD solutions
- ❑ Less stringent guidelines for small solute removal
- ❑ Improvement peritonitis prevention strategies i.e.
  - Improvements in PD connectology
  - Use of exit site prophylaxis



**? Impact on Time on PD Therapy**

# Rates of PD Peritonitis Have Been Decreasing

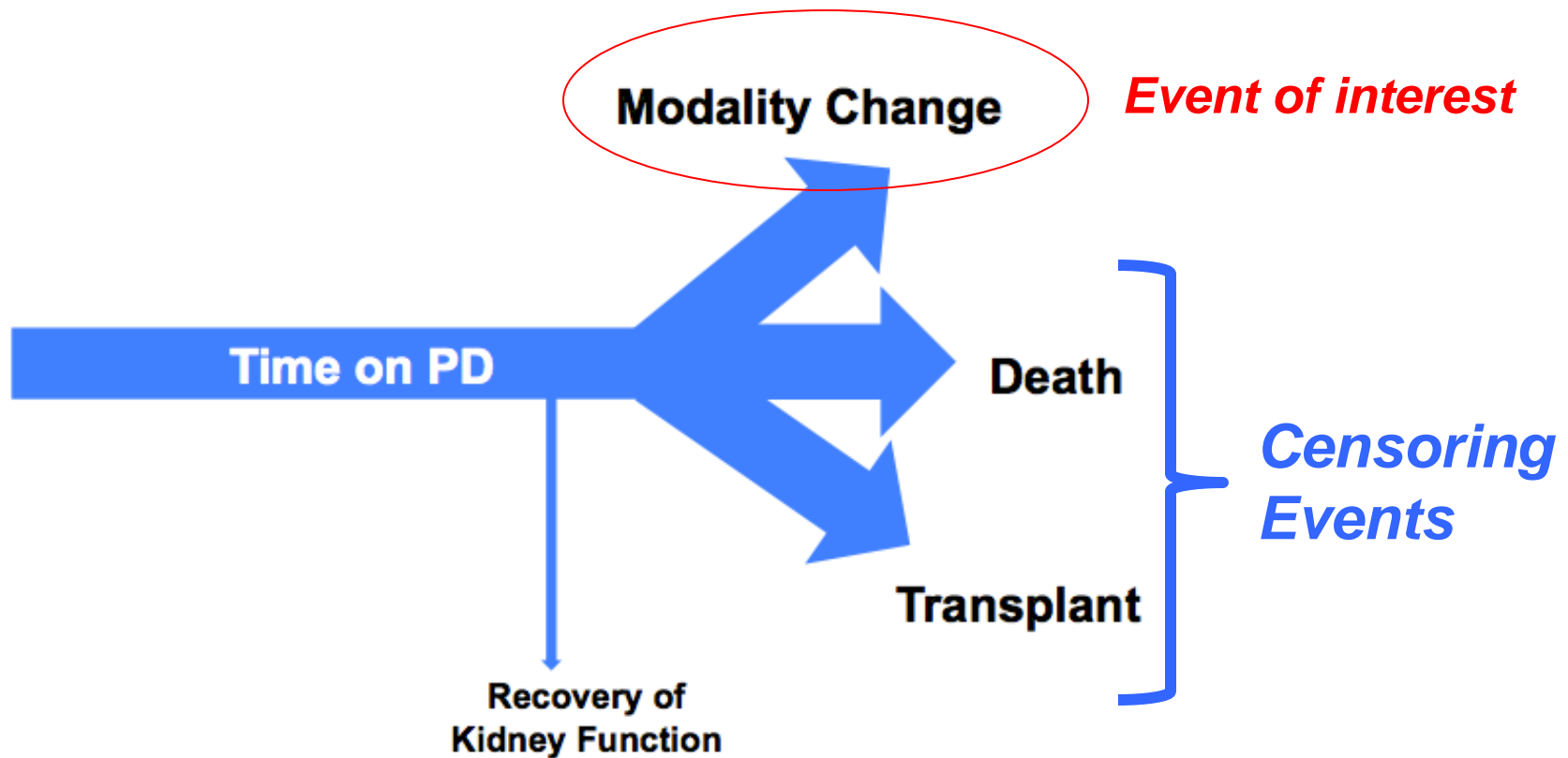
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1. *Baxter POET Database: Courtesy Dr. Sharon Nessim*
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# Time on PD: A Tale of Competing Risks

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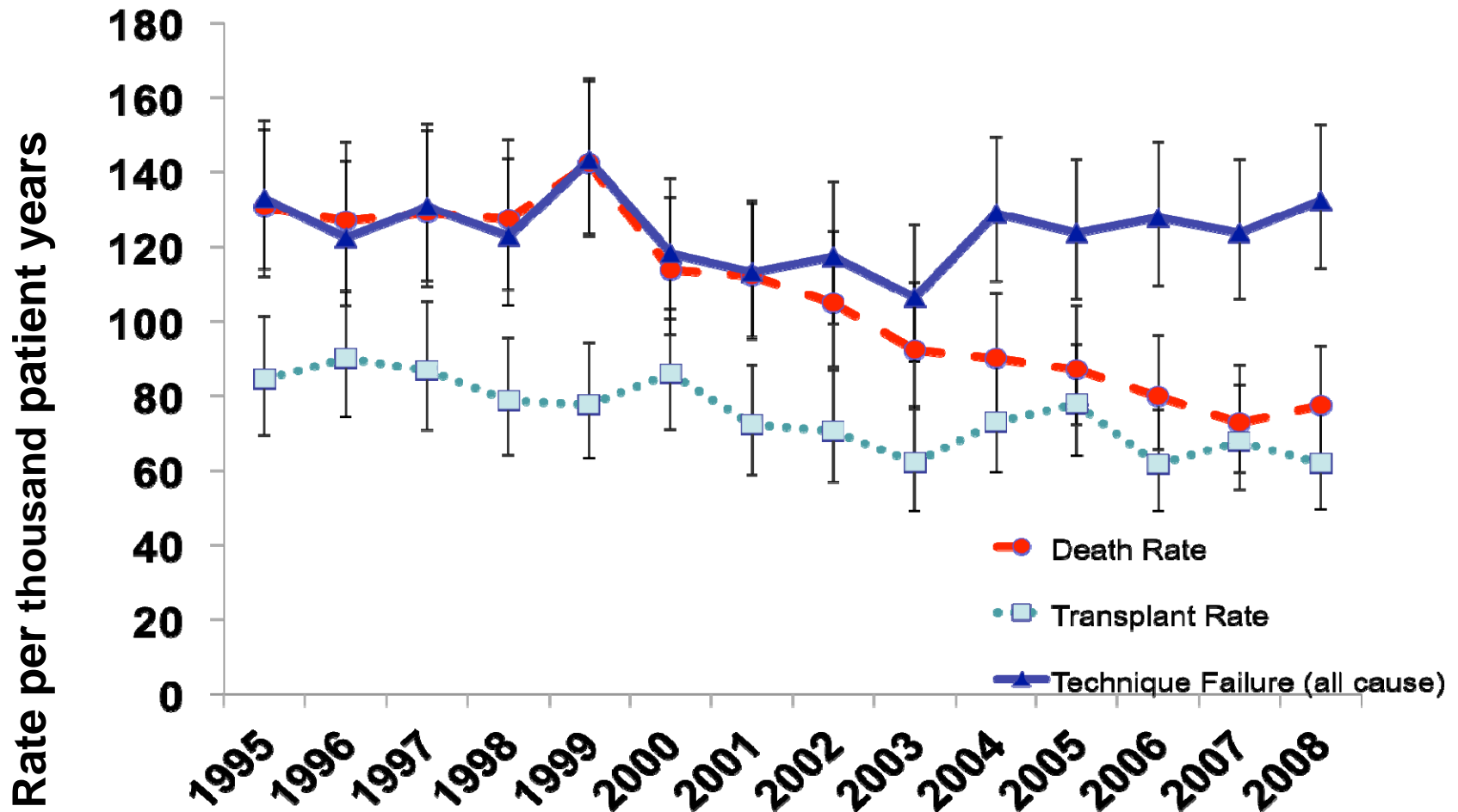


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- ❑ Traditional analyses of time to PD modality switch have censored patients at death and transplantation
- ❑ Requires that individuals who are censored have the same risk of modality switch as individuals who are not (non-informative)
- ❑ Patients that received a transplant might have been at lower risk of TF had they remained on PD
- ❑ Individuals that died might have been at higher risk of TF had they survived.

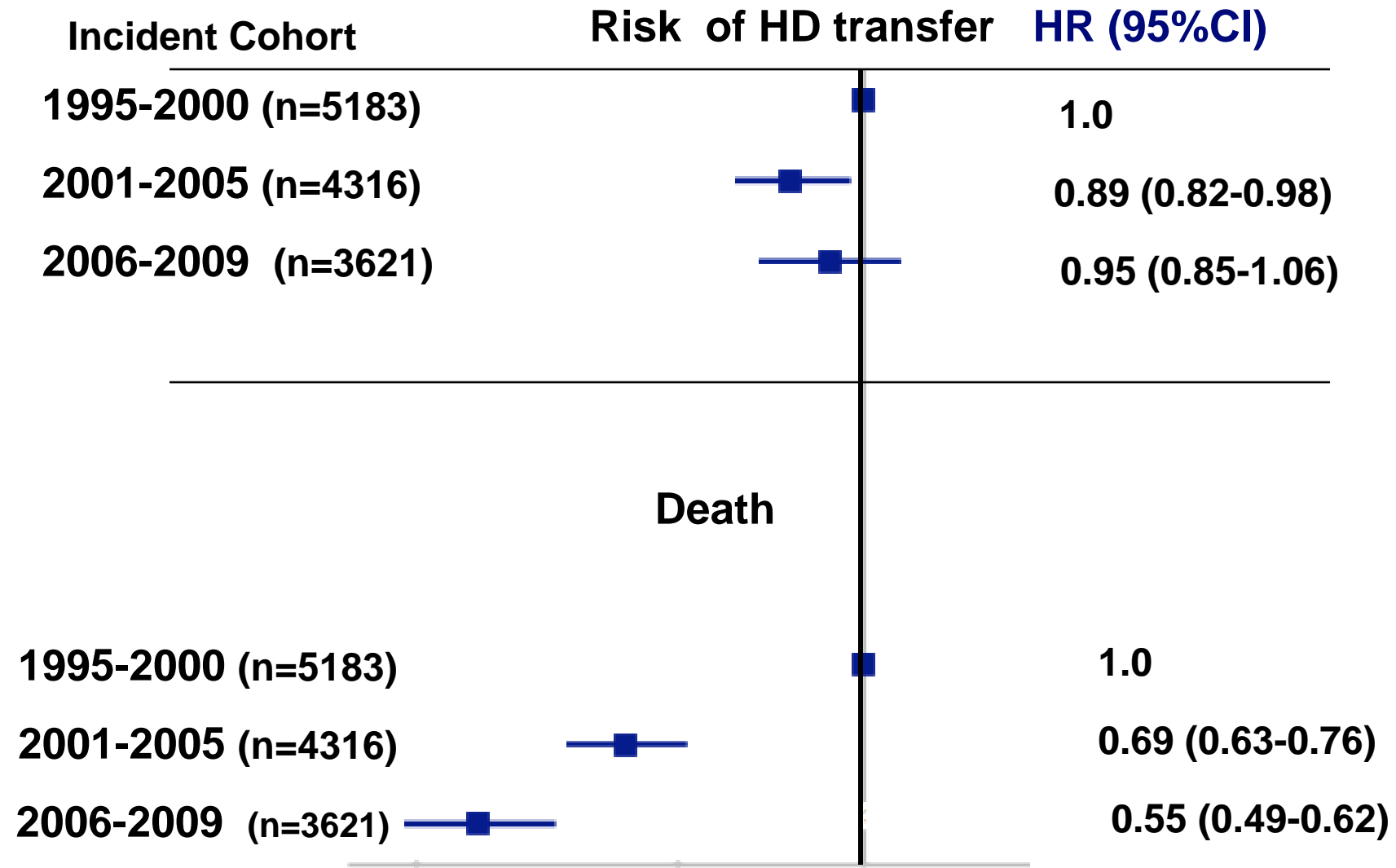
# Event Rates over Time Among Incident PD patients



# Patient Characteristics At PD Initiation

	Year of Dialysis Initiation			P Value
	1995–2000 (n=5183)	2001–2005 (n=4316)	2006–2009 (n=3621)	
Age group (yr)				
18–44	20.6	15.9	14.7	<0.001
45–54	16.6	17	16.7	
55–64	20.9	22.5	24.4	
65–74	26.5	25.3	24.9	
≥ 75	15.5	19.3	19.2	
Race				
Caucasian	71.3	70.9	67.9	<0.001
Asian	7.7	8.7	9	
black	3.5	3.4	3.9	
other	10	12.8	13.6	
unknown	7.5	4.2	5.7	
Female	43.1	42.5	42.5	0.77
Primary diagnosis				
GN	18.8	17.4	16.2	<0.001
diabetes	34.2	36.6	35.4	
renal vascular disease	18.3	17.3	17.5	
polycystic kidney disease	5.1	6.9	6.8	
other	10.6	9.6	12.9	
unknown	13	12.2	11.1	
Comorbid conditions				
diabetes <sup>a</sup>	5.7	5.7	8.3	<0.001
coronary artery disease <sup>b</sup>	29.8	26.1	21	<0.001
peripheral vascular disease	13.7	13.9	11.1	<0.001
malignancy	6.6	6.8	7.6	0.18
lung disease	7.2	6.7	5.4	0.003
pulmonary edema	22.8	13.8	9.6	<0.001
hypertension	81.5	87.8	82.7	<0.001
current smoker	12.2	12.4	11.8	0.69
Automated PD (%)	29.1	28.4	26.5	0.03
Body mass index (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	24.6 (6.0)	25.7 (6.4)	26.6 (7.3)	<0.001
Late referral (%) <sup>c</sup>	—	17.7	11.1	<0.001
Hemoglobin (g/L) <sup>c</sup>	—	111 (21)	111 (18)	0.42
Estimated GFR (ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>c,d</sup>	—	8.9 (4.7)	9.6 (5.0)	<0.001
Albumin (g/L) <sup>c</sup>	—	36 (7)	37 (8)	<0.001
Prevalent PD center size <sup>e</sup>	25 (52)	26 (37)	27 (49)	—

# Adjusted Risk of Death and modality switch By Incident PD Cohort Period

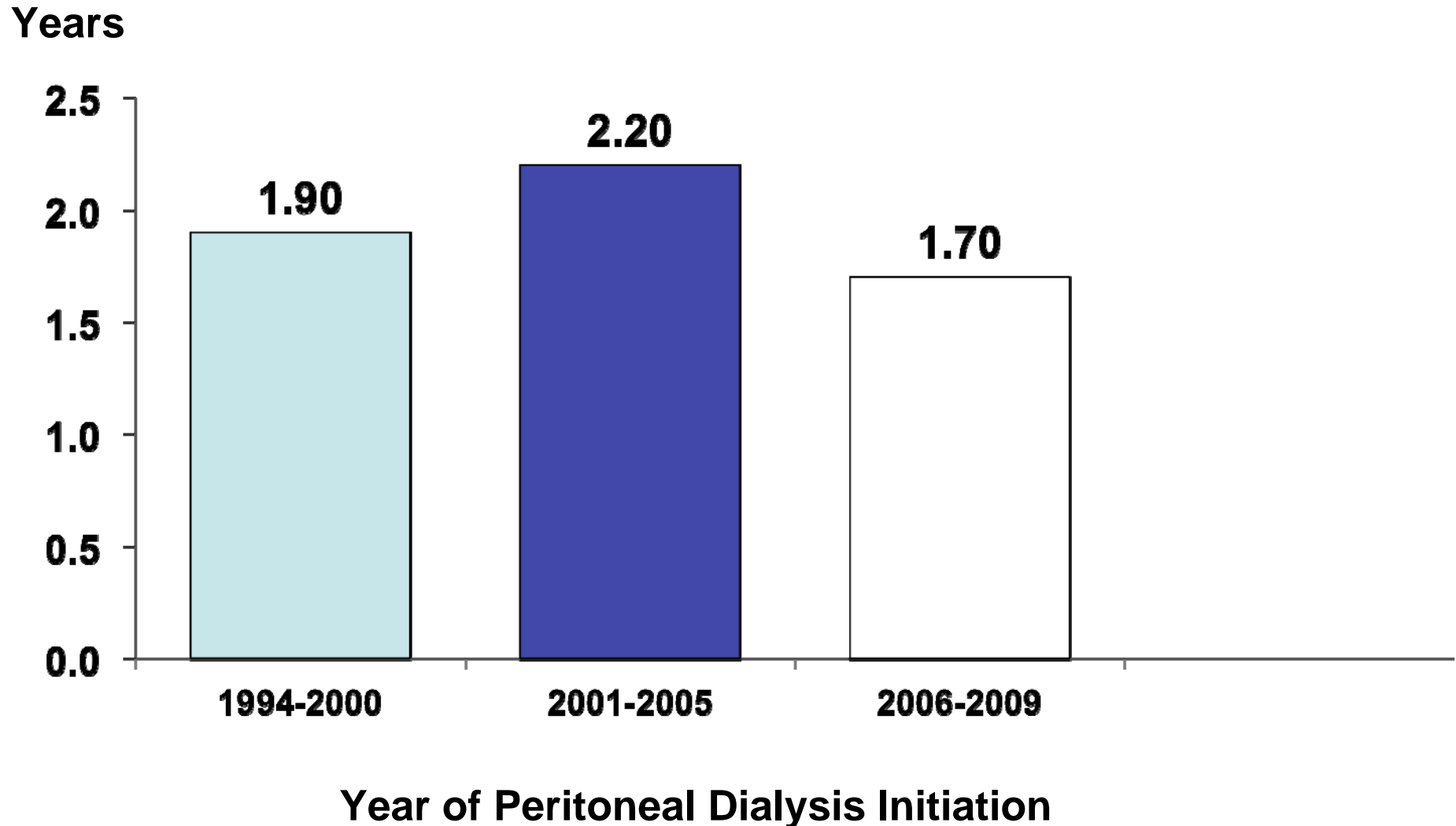


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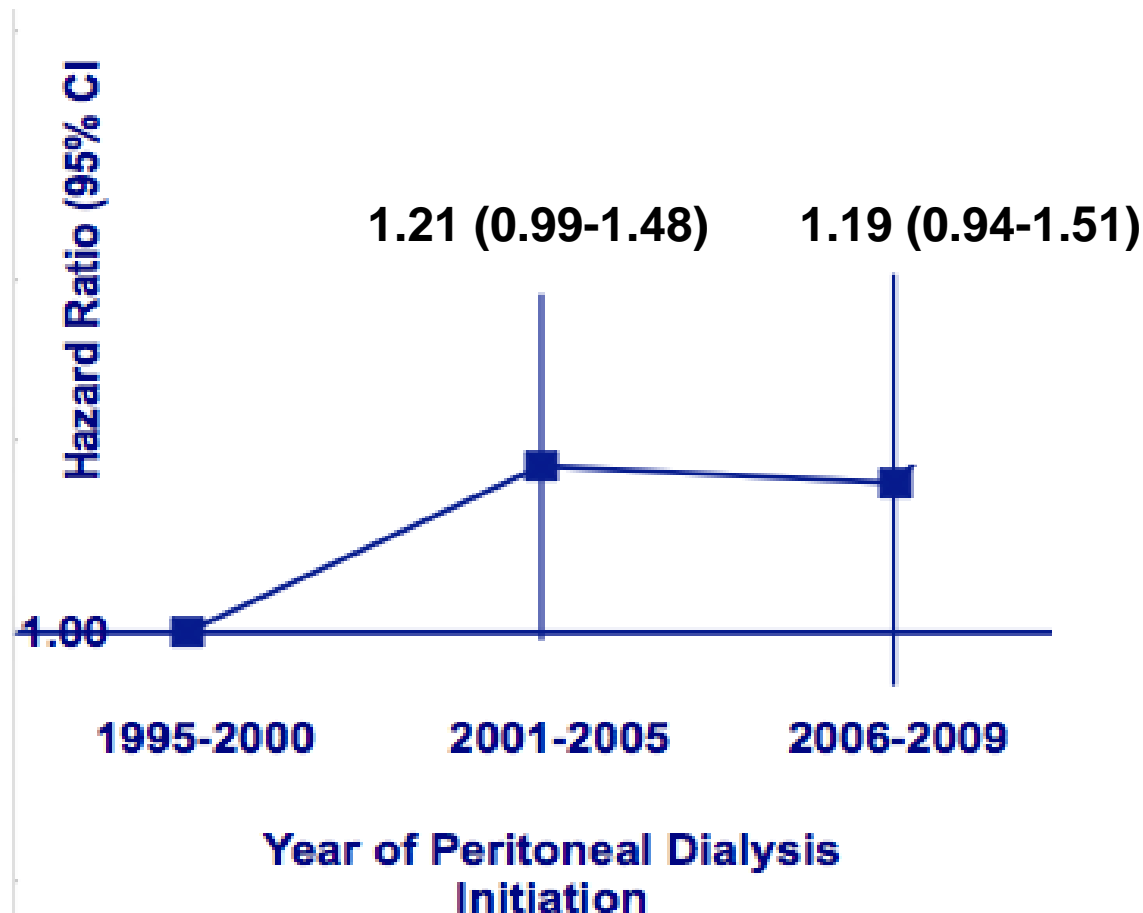
# Median Time To Modality Change

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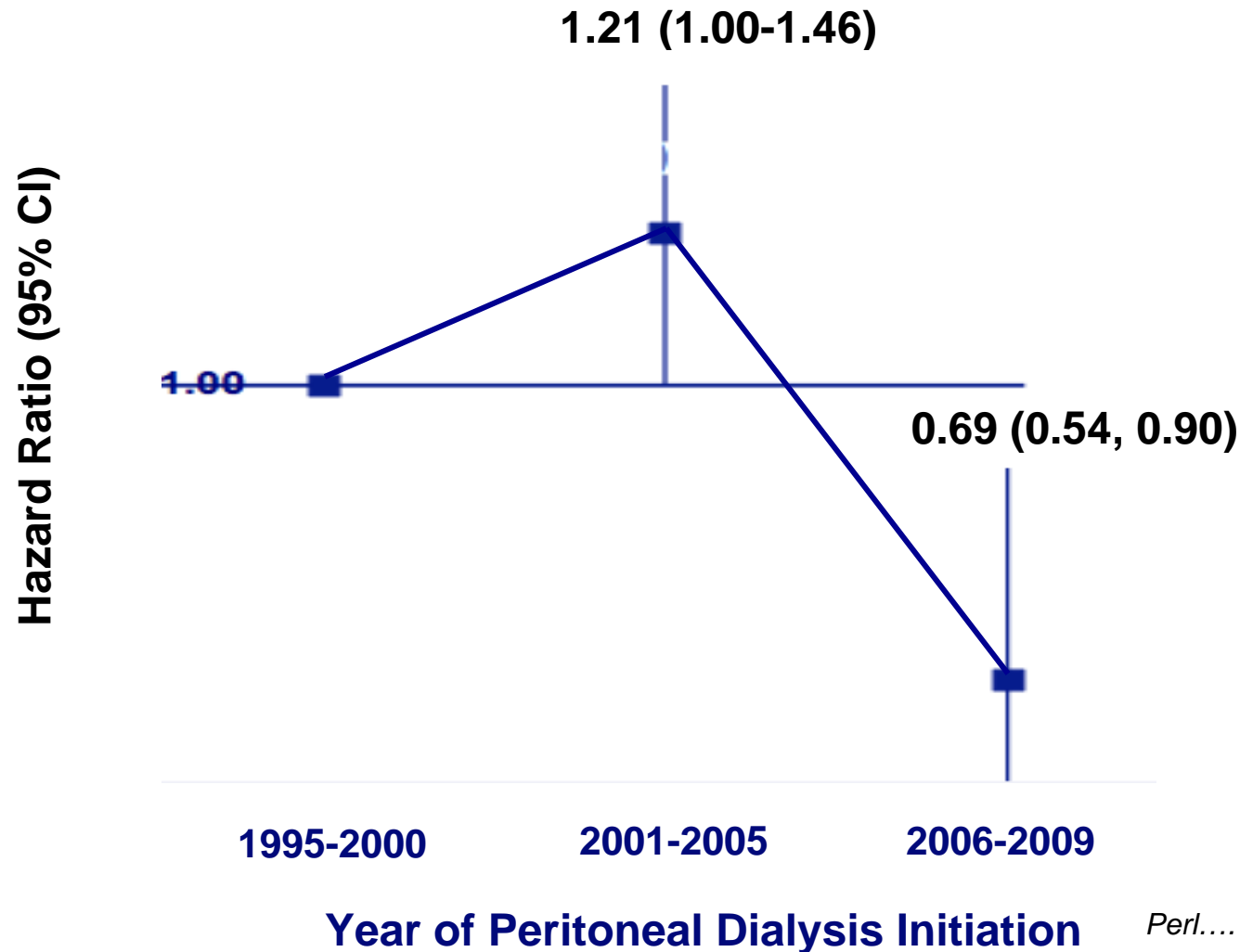
# Peritonitis-Related modality switch

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# Modality Switch Related to Inadequate Dialysis

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# Impact of Age and Era on The risk of All Cause PD Technique Survival

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	1995-2000	2001-2005	2006-2009
Age $\leq$ 65	1.0	0.95 (0.85-1.06)	1.02 (0.90-1.15)
Age $>$ 65	1.0	0.86 (0.75 ,0.97)	0.80 (0.69 ,0.93)

# Impact of Era on PD Technique Survival: Summary

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- ❑ Little improvement in rates of modality change from PD over time
  - ❑ With the exception of patients over age of 65
- ❑ Significant improvement in patient survival

# Impact of Era on PD Technique Survival: Summary

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- ❑ No change in rates of peritonitis-related transfer to HD
- ❑ Initial increase in rates of transfer to HD due to inadequate dialysis and recent decrease
  - ❑ Less stringent guidelines for small solute removal

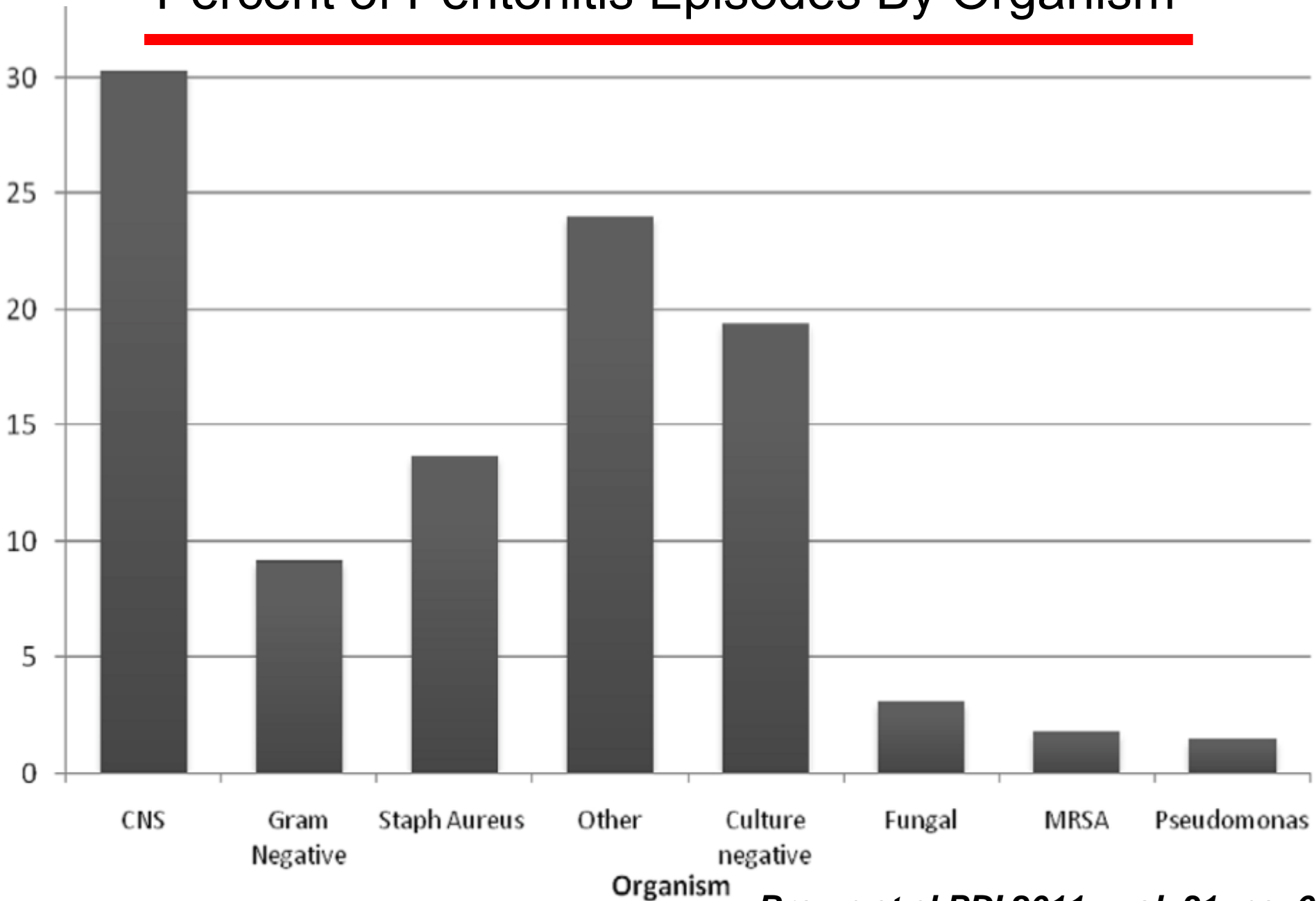
# Why No Improvement in Peritonitis-Related Transfers To Hemodialysis ?

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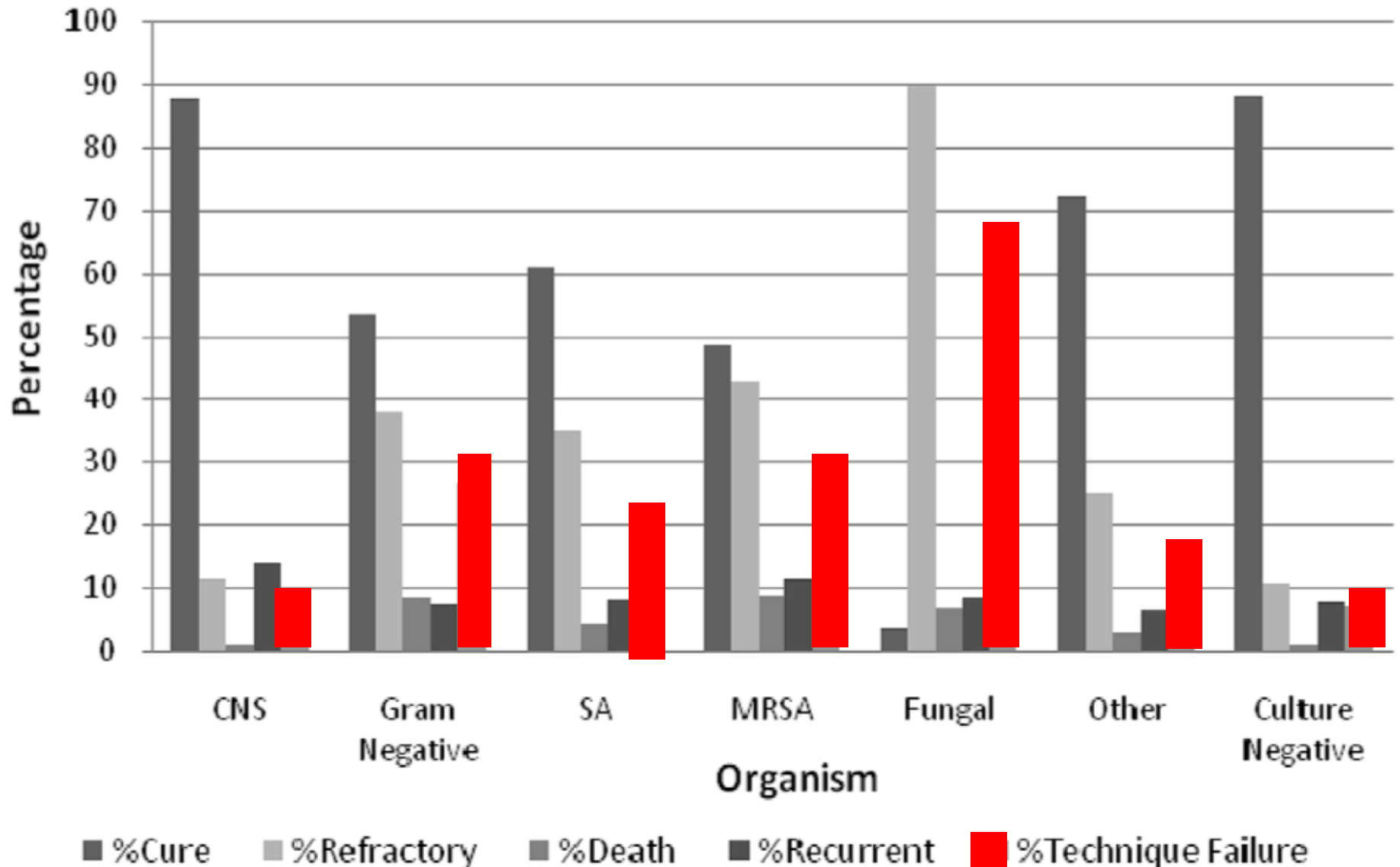
- ❑ Globally improving peritonitis rates but no change in peritonitis related technique failure
- ❑ More aggressive at catheter removal after peritonitis episode
- ❑ Greater reduction in peritonitis episodes of more indolent organisms (i.e. CNST) less likely to lead to catheter removal

# Percent of Peritonitis Episodes By Organism

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# Outcomes of Peritonitis By Organism



# Improving Outcomes for Elderly PD Patients

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- ❑ Not mediated by reduction in peritonitis-related TF, or technique failure due to inadequate PD
- ❑ Largest growing segment of The ESRD population
- ❑ Increasing use of home-assisted PD for elderly patients across several regions in Canada

# Impact of Assisted PD on Technique Survival

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## Is Assisted Peritoneal Dialysis Associated with Technique Survival When Competing Events Are Considered?

*Thierry Lobbedez,\* Christian Verger,<sup>†</sup> Jean-Philippe Ryckelynck,\* Emmanuel Fabre,<sup>‡</sup> and David Evans<sup>†§</sup>*

	Fine and Gray Model: Sub distribution Relative Hazard (95% CI)
Nurse-Assisted PD	0.81 (0.70–0.94)
Family-Assisted PD	0.72 (0.63–0.81)

*Adjusted for age, sex, modified Charlson comorbidity index, and underlying nephropathy*

# ISPD: Istanbul

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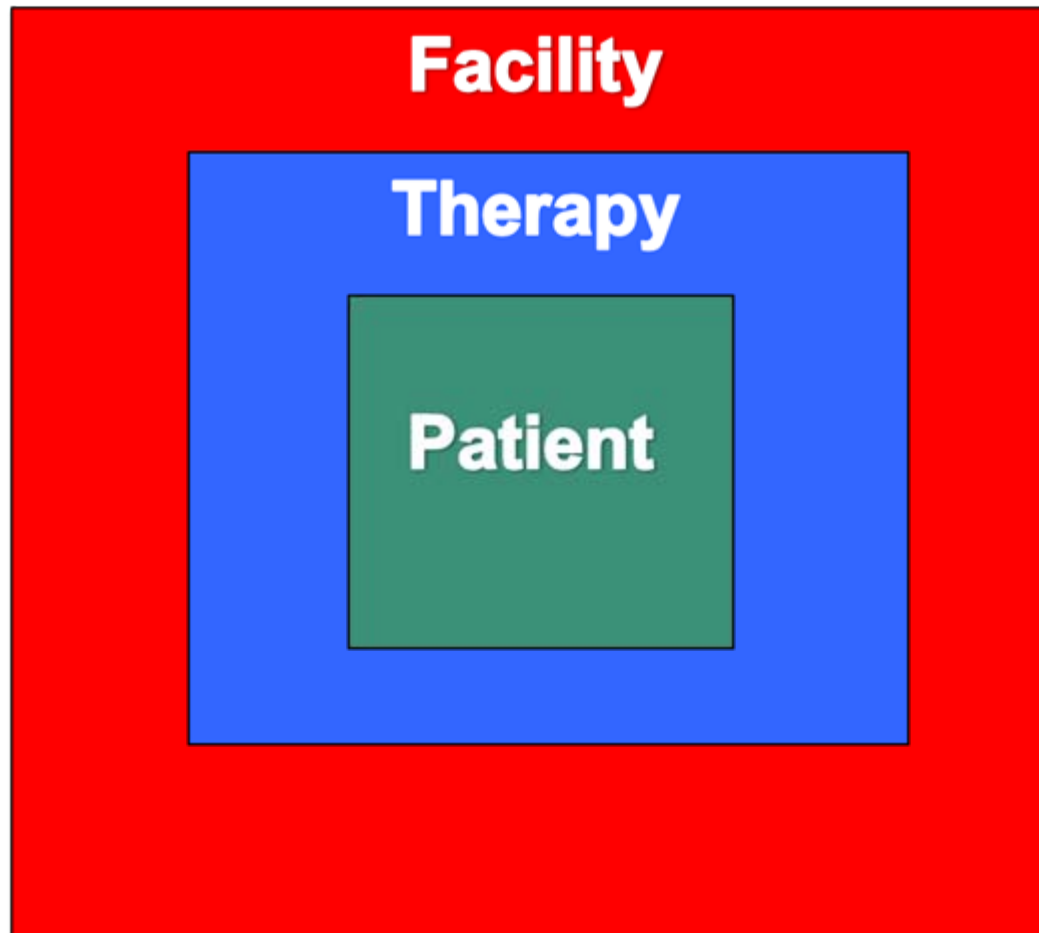
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# Risk Factors For Transfer to HD From PD

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# Patient Factors

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## ☐ Age:

- ☐ CORR: 0.95 [0.91, 0.98] per year
- ☐ French Registry: 0.98 [0.98–0.99] per year
- ☐ USRDS: 1.0007 ( $p < 0.0001$ )

## ☐ Gender

- ☐ CORR: 0.9 [0.82-0.99] Females: Males
- ☐ Consistent Across US, Canadian, French Registries

## ☐ Diabetes

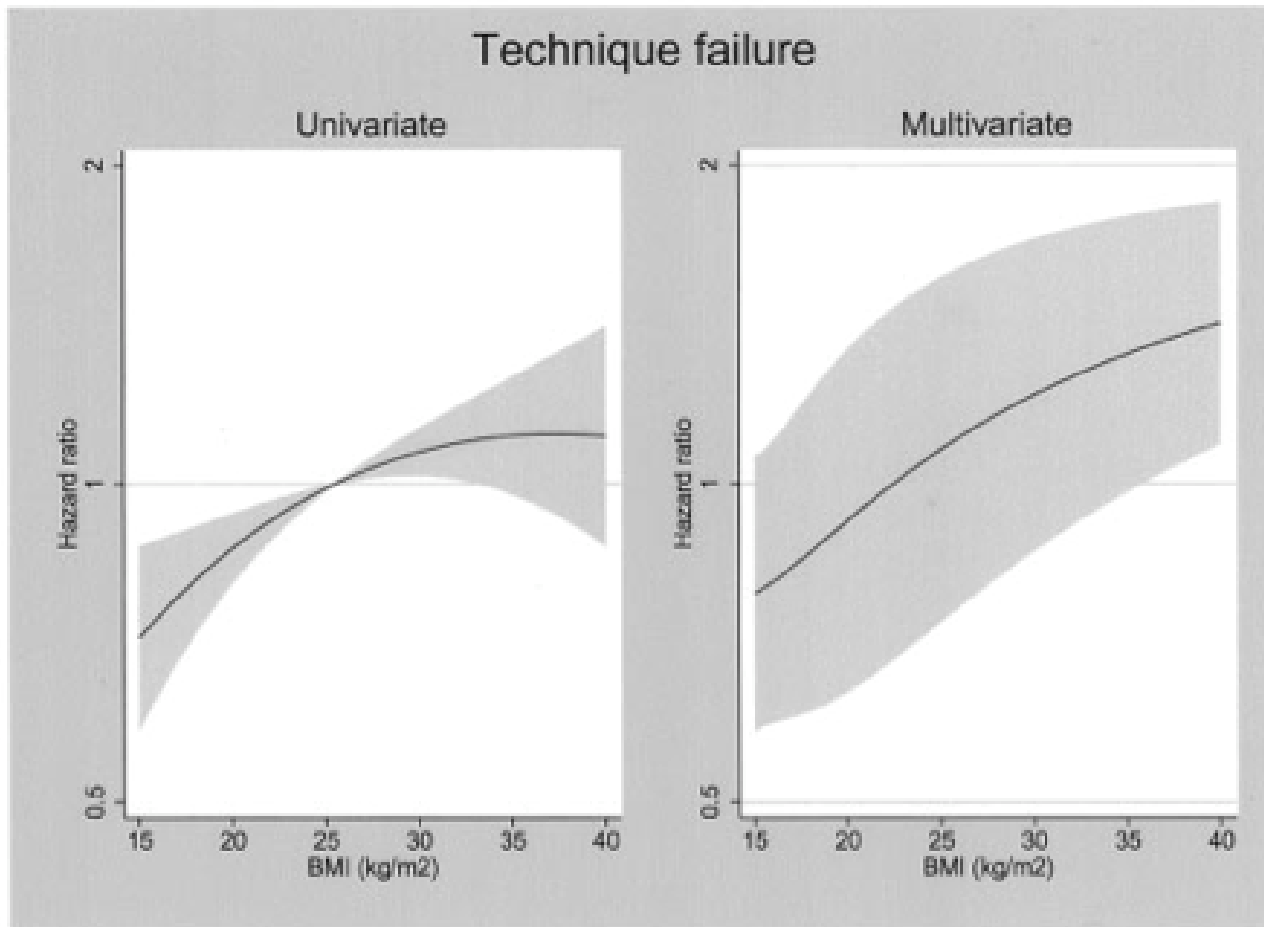
- ☐ CORR: 1.16 [1.00, 1.34]

## ☐ Ethnicity

- ☐ Aborigines 1.48 [1.07-2.03]
- ☐ Blacks 1.27 [1.01-1.61]

# Relationship Between BMI and Risk of Transfer to HD

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# Socioeconomic Factors

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Variable (n= 5162) (1999-2005)	AHR (95% CI)
Neighborhood education level ≤high school	2.9 [1.755–4.877]
Rural residence	0.9 [0.740–1.129]
Distance to nearest health facility	
Urban	1.00
Large rural	1.00 (0.93 to 1.06)
Small rural	1.01 (0.86 to 1.19)
Remote rural	1.33 (1.05 to 1.69)

1. Chidambaram et al PDI 2011
2. Mehrotra et al PDI 2012

# Distance From The Nephrologist

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Distance From Nephrologist	Technique Failure Hazard	Mortality Hazard
Within 50 Km (ref)	1.0	1.0
50.1-100 Km	0.86 (0.75, 0.97)	1.17 (1.07, 1.27)
150.1-300 Km	0.78 (0.65, 0.94)	1.07 (0.95, 1.21)
> 300 Km	0.63 (0.50, 0.79)	1.15 (1.00, 1.32)

# Selected Therapy-Related Factors

## ☐ CAPD vs. APD

- ☐ No consistent difference<sup>1,2</sup>
- ☐ Treatment by Indication Bias
- ☐ CORR APD:CAPD AHR 1.02 [0.91, 1.14]<sup>3</sup>

## ☐ Transfer from HD to PD relative to incident PD

- ☐ Increased risk of transfer to HD:<sup>4</sup> AHR 1.2 [1.1-1.4]
- ☐ Increased risk of peritonitis:<sup>5</sup> AHR 1.24 [1.1 to 1.40]
- ☐ ? Patient selection
- ☐ ? Adverse impact of HD on residual kidney function

*1. Rabindranath NDT 2008*

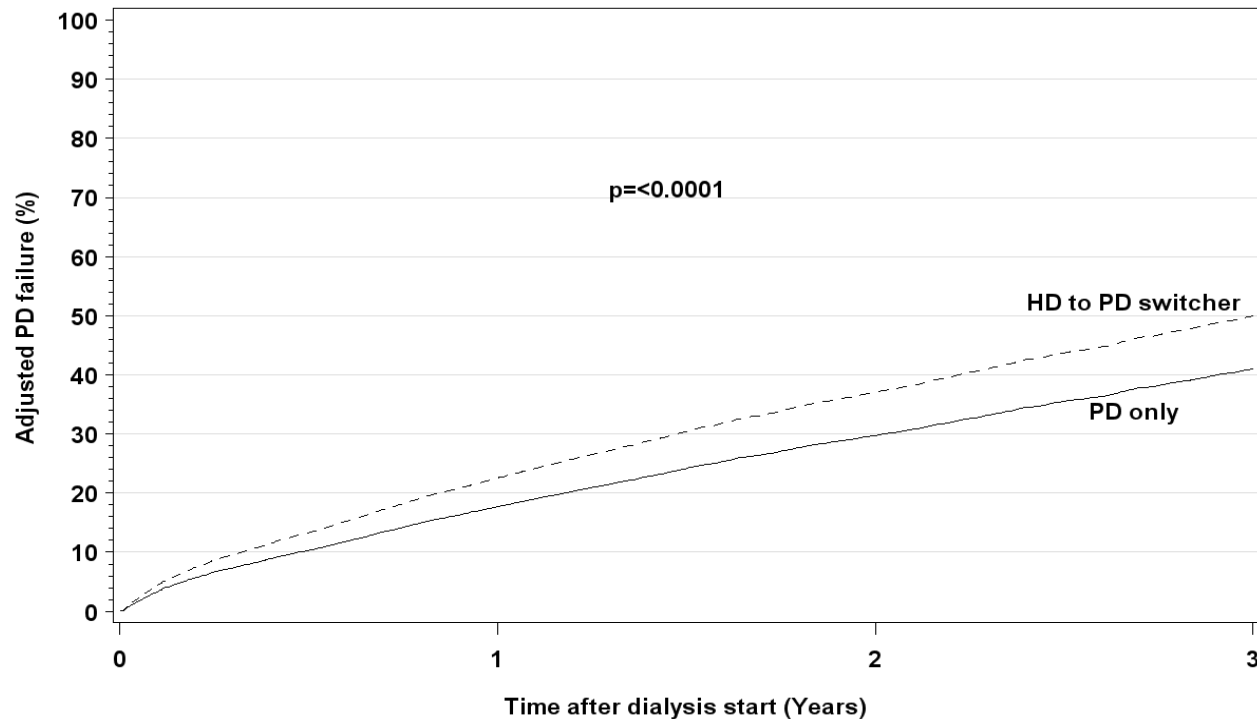
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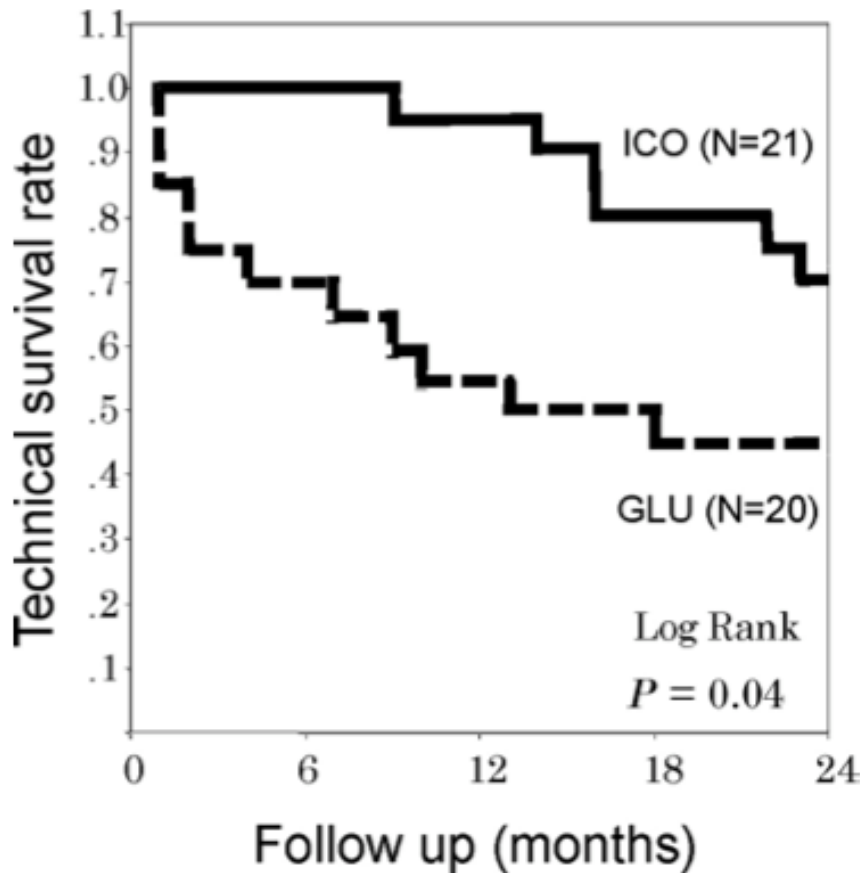
# Transfer to PD From HD



All-Cause Technique Failure		
Overall		
PD Only		1.0
HD To PD Switch	Within 90 days	1.31 [1.17, 1.45]
	Between 91-180 days	1.45 [1.26, 1.68]
	Between 181-365 days	1.17 [0.98, 1.39]

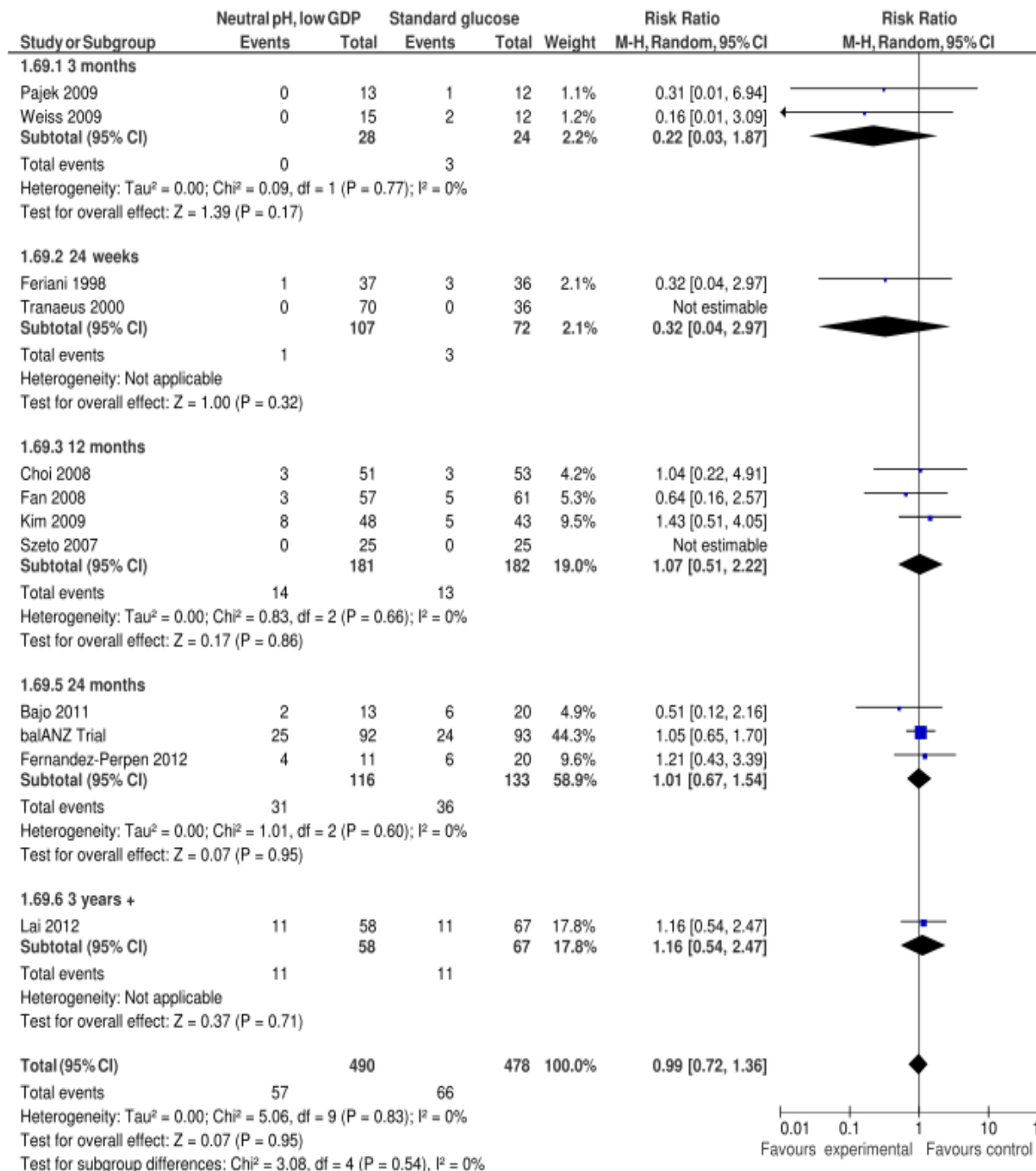
# Impact of Icodextrin Use on Technique Survival

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# Impact of Neutral-PH Low GDP PD Solutions on Technique Survival

1.69 Technique failure (death-included)



# Impact of Peritoneal Membrane Transport Characteristics on The Risk of Transfer to HD

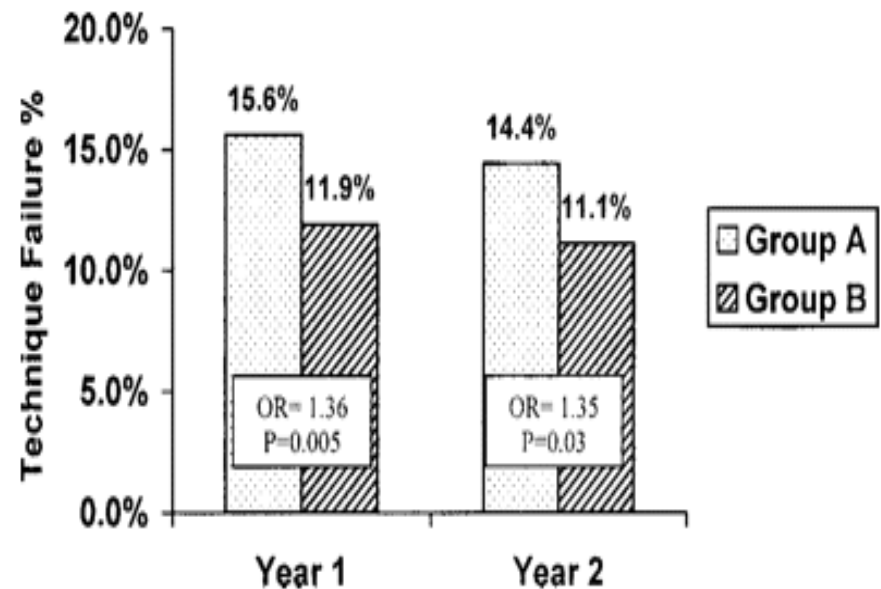
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Transport Type	Risk of Technique Failure
High (n=628)	0.88 (0.64-1.21)
High-average (n=1936)	1.17 (0.95-1.44)
Low-average (n=1145)	1.02 (0.77-1.35)
Low (n=96)	1.24 (0.67-2.29)

# Impact of PD Centre Size

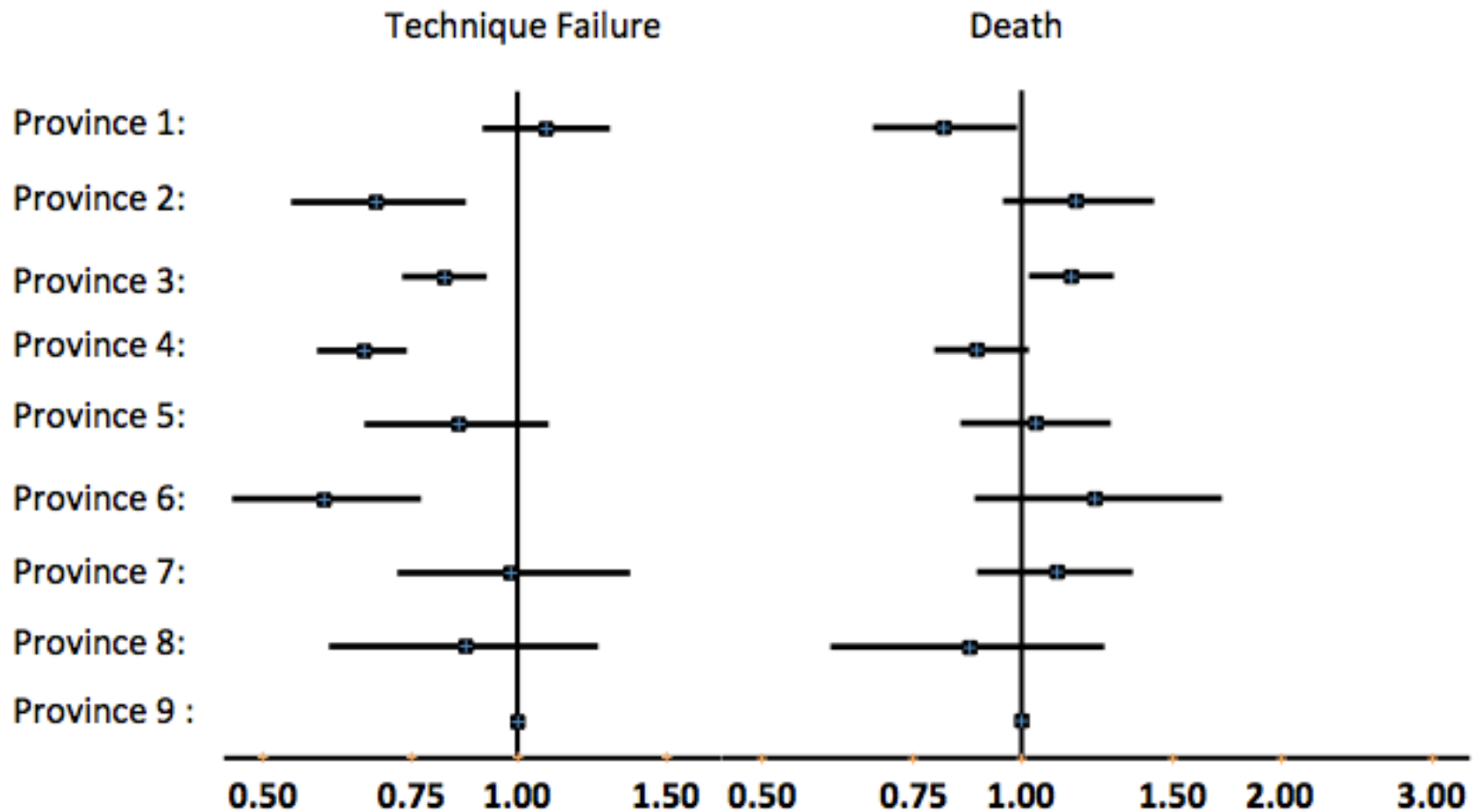
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- ❑ Consistent and strong independent predictor of transfer to HD in Canada, USA, Australia and The Netherlands
- ❑ Associated with improved adherence to clinical practice guidelines
- ❑ Larger centers may have improved practices, knowledge and resources



**Group A  $\leq$  25 patients**  
**Group B  $>$  25 patients**

# Regional Variation in Rates of Transfer to HD

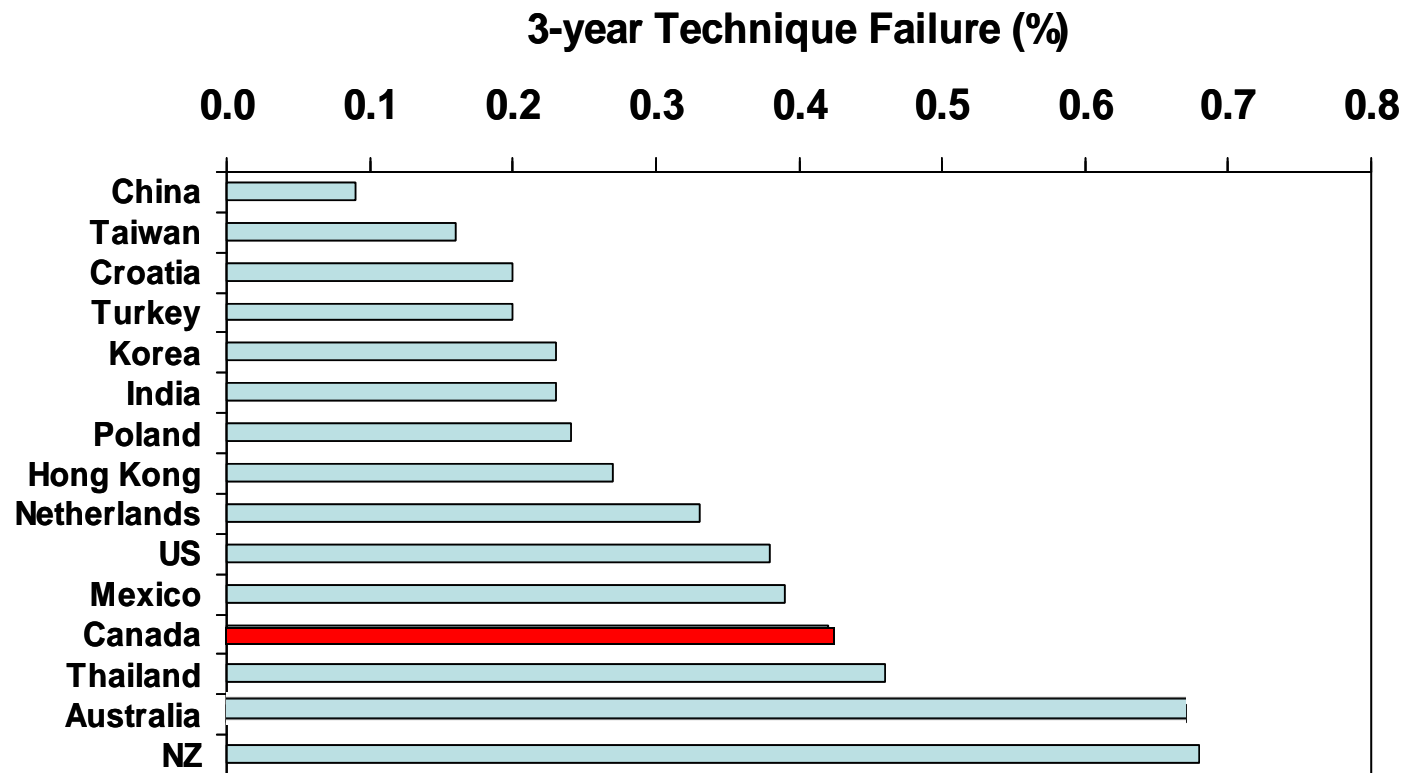


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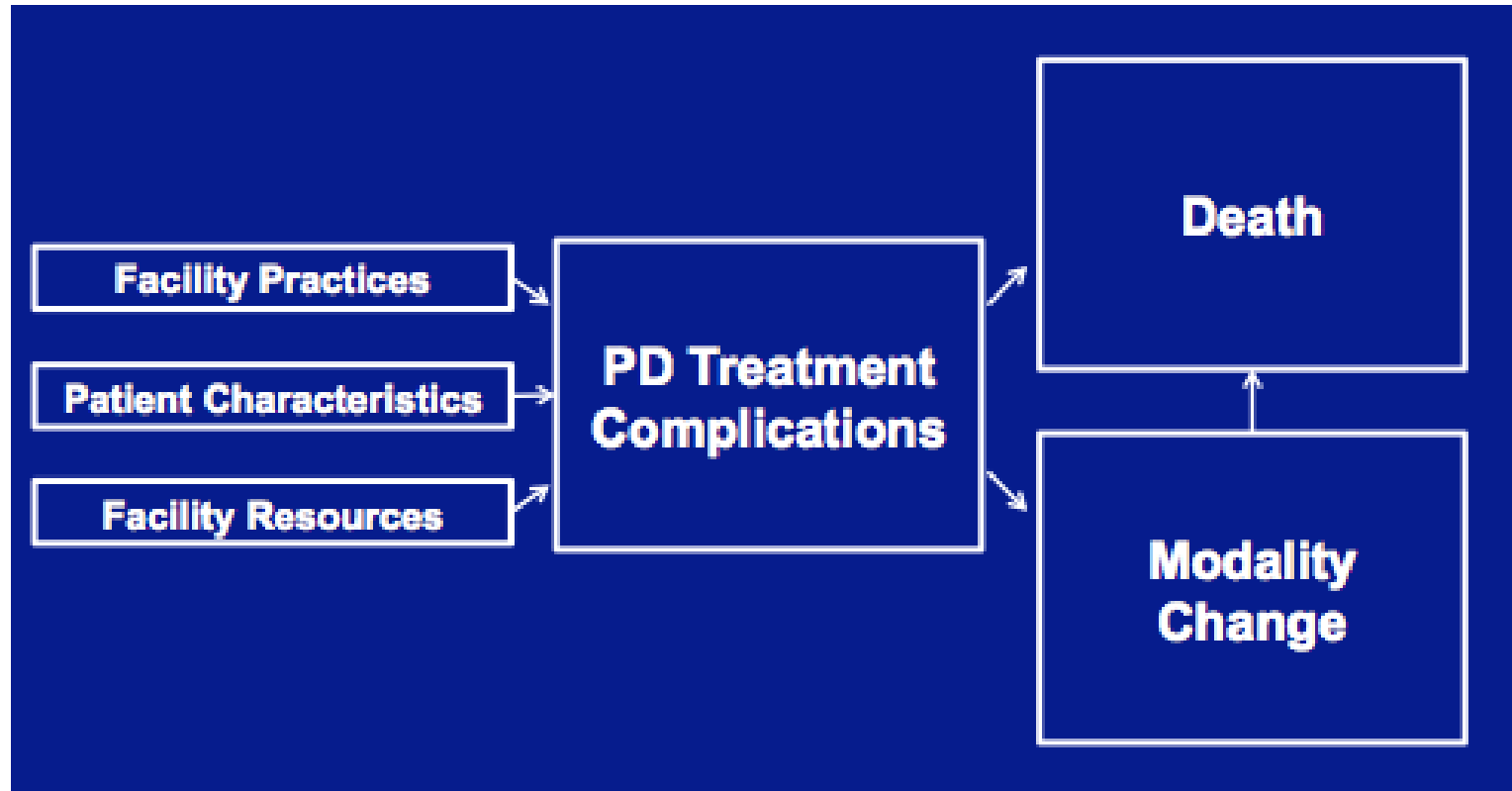
# International Variation in Rates of Technique Failure

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# Putting It All Together

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# WCN Milan: A Special Birthday

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**Dialysis Outcomes and Practice Patterns Study**

## **Design and Implementation**

# PDOPPS – Scientific Approach

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1. Describe variation in practice and monitor trends by following nationally representative samples of peritoneal dialysis facilities
2. Identify best practices by analyzing variations in practice and outcomes
3. Translate (communicate) key findings to improve clinical care

# Study Goal

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- The primary scientific goal of PDOPPS is to identify optimal practices to maximise time on PD treatment, without compromising patient survival and morbidity

# Standardizing Data Definitions: Causes of Switch to HD

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Level 1	Level 2
<b>Infection related</b>	Acute severe
	Refractory
	Relapsing
	Recurrent
	Exit site infection only
	Tunnel infection
<b>Catheter related problems</b>	Fibrin
	Omental wrap
	Adhesions
	Catheter misplaced
	Cause unclear
	Cuff extrusion
<b>Problems with solute/water clearance</b>	Catheter fell out
	Inadequate clearance - defined by either Kt/V or creatinine clearance
	Inadequate clearance - phosphate clearance
	Uraemic symptoms/poor nutrition
	Loss of RRF
	Patient size
	UF failure - PET defined
	Unable to remove excess body water
	Unwillingness to prescribe more dialysate glucose to achieve sufficient UF
	Excess fluid removal

# Standardizing Data Definitions: Causes of Switch to HD

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Level 1	Level 2
<b>Peritoneal leaks/hernia</b>	Scrotal oedema
	Pleuro-peritoneal leak
	Abdominal wall
	Elsewhere
	Inguinal
	Peri-umbilical
<b>Psychosocial/medical</b>	Elsewhere
	Patient choice/"burn out"
	Carer choice/"burn out"
	Change in circumstance (e.g. death of carer, change in job etc)
	Severe Depression
	Physical incapacity
<b>Risk of, or diagnosis of, Encapsulating peritoneal sclerosis (EPS)</b>	Cognitive impairment
	Diagnosed EPS
	Time on PD
	GI symptoms but not formally diagnosed with EPS
<b>Other</b>	Haemoperitoneum
	Intra-abdominal pathology
	Other reason not included elsewhere

# PDOPPS: Initial Countries

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- First wave (2013):
  - US
  - UK
  - Canada
  - Japan
- Anticipate other countries soon:
  - Investigators seeking funding locally

# PDOPPS: Procedures & Data

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- Sampling
  - Facilities – National samples of PD facilities (with  $\geq 15$  patients), by stratified random sampling
  - Patients – Samples of prevalent and incident\* patients
- 3000+ patients
- Follow for 3+ years, including  $\geq 4$  mos. after permanent transition to HD
- Detailed clinical data, as well as patient and physician/nurse surveys

# PDOPPS:

## Primary and Secondary Outcomes

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### Primary Outcome:

- All Cause PD Technique Failure

### Secondary Outcomes:

- All-cause mortality
- Cause specific PD technique failure:
  - Inadequate clearance
  - Infection-related
  - Psychosocial-related
  - Catheter-related\*
  - Mechanical-related\*

### Secondary Outcomes:

- PD related complications:
  - Hospitalizations
  - PD-related infections
  - Residual kidney function decline/anuria
  - PD access intervention
- Patient-reported outcomes (PRO)
- Clinical/laboratory measures:
  - Peritoneal membrane function: transport Status, UF capacity
  - Metabolic/inflammatory: Lipids, HbA1C, CRP

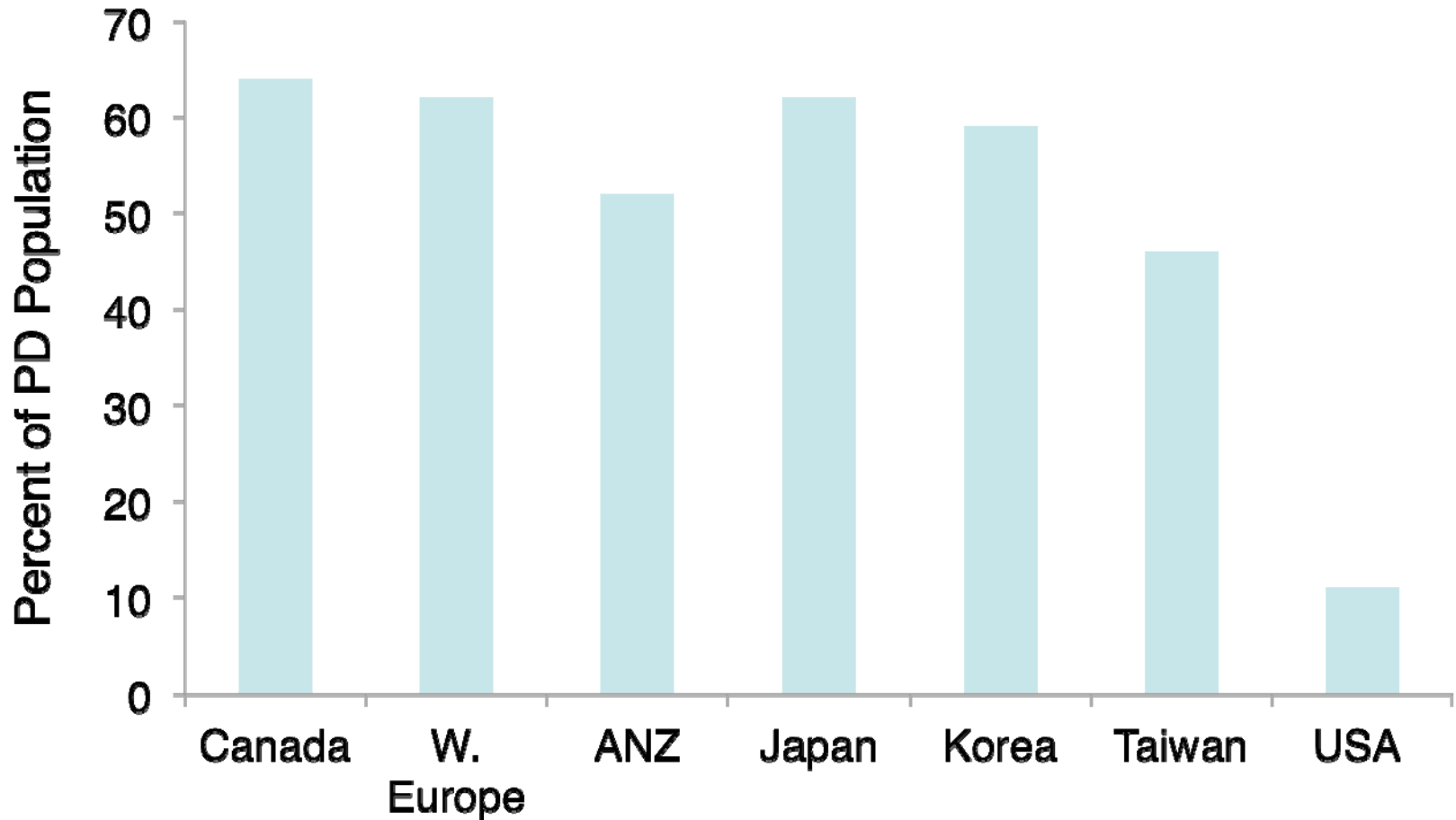
# PDOPPS: ISPD Work Groups

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- Infection: Prevention and Management
- PD catheter Access and function
- Clinical application of PD therapy
- Dialysis Prescription and Fluid Management
- Patient Support
- Patient training and Education

# Icodextrin: Variability In Absolute Use by Country

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*Source: Baxter Healthcare: previous 18 months*

# Impact of Icodextrin Use on PD Technique Survival: PDOPPS Proposed Analysis

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## Hypothesis:

*Because glucose exposure appears to contribute to peritoneal membrane changes,\* the use of icodextrin early in PD therapy will reduce the risk of all-cause PD technique failure*

## Exposure:

Facility incident use of icodextrin:  
*-early use of icodextrin among incident patients within the first 6 months of PD therapy*

## Outcome:

### Primary:

*-All cause technique failure*

### Secondary:

*-Technique failure due to inadequate ultrafiltration and dialysis inadequacy  
-Mortality*

### Adjustments:

- -demographics
- -comorbidities
- biochemistry
- -membrane function
- --residual kidney function
- modality (APD / CAPD)
- -low GDP solution use
- -Glucose exposure
- Facility characteristics

# Summary (I)

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- ❑ Causes of technique failure variable and poorly understood and variability captured across registries
- ❑ Likely that multiple causes in any given patient with psychosocial causes under appreciated
- ❑ Little change in technique survival in Canada in the last 15 years with the exception of patients  $> 65$

# Summary (II)

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- ❑ Complex interplay between facility, patient and therapy characteristics that lead to risk of transfer to HD
- ❑ Need to better understand the impact of each and modifiable practices on the risk of transfer to HD
- ❑ PDOPPS: an international research program to understand modifiable causes of PD technique failure

# Thank you

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