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Iron Supplementation in CKD Patients

in China

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Recommendations for Use of Iron Supplementation in Patients with CKD

2.1.1: When prescribing iron therapy, balance the potential benefits of avoiding or minimizing blood transfusions, ESA therapy, and anemia-related symptoms against the risks of harm in individual patients (e.g., anaphylactoid and other acute reactions, unknown long-term risks). (Not Graded)



Recommendations for Use of Iron Supplementation in Patients with CKD

2.1.2: For adult CKD patients with anemia not on iron or ESA therapy we suggest a trial of IV iron (or in CKD ND patients alternatively a 1–3 month trial of oral

- **Limitation in current iron status assessment**
- **Long term safety concerns on i.v. iron**
- ...

in ESA dose is desired*** and

- TSAT is $\leq 30\%$ and ferritin is $\leq 500 \text{ ng/ml}$
 $(\leq 500 \mu\text{g/l})$



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Consensus on Iron supplement in CKD Patients in China

- Criteria for iron supplement in CKD
 - CKD anemic patients not on ESA or iron
 - TSAT <30%; Ferritin <500ug/L: a trial of IV iron (ND-CKD, trial 1-3 months of oral iron, switch to IV iron if no effect)
 - CKD anemic patients are on ESA but not iron
 - An increase in Hb or reduction of ESAs are desired and TSAT <30%; Ferritin <500ug/L: trial of IV iron (ND-CKD, trial 1-3 months of oral iron, switch to IV iron if no effect)
 - If ferritin > 500 ug/L, we recommend no IV iron. However, if increase of ESAs does not improve anemia and acute infection excluded, you may try IV iron.

Consensus on Iron supplement in CKD Patients in China

- Iron supplement and dosages
 - ND-CKD or PD: oral iron first, or if needed IV Iron.
 - HD: preferably IV iron
 - Oral Iron: 200mg/day, reevaluate in 1-3 months. If not reached the goal or not tolerant, switch to IV iron
 - IV iron: (1) HD patients, IV iron; Initiation: 1000mg, if ferritin $\leq 500\text{ug/L}$ and TSAT $\leq 30\%$, repeat; (2) Maintenance: 100mg/1-2 weeks, depends on response, iron status, Hb, ESA etc.
 - If TSAT $\geq 50\%$ and/or $\geq 800\text{ug/L}$, stop iv iron for 3 months. If TSAT and ferritin $\leq 50\%$ and $\leq 800\text{ug/L}$ respectively, resume IV iron at reduced does by 1/3-1/2.

Intravenous Iron Sucrose in Chinese Hemodialysis Patients with Renal Anemia

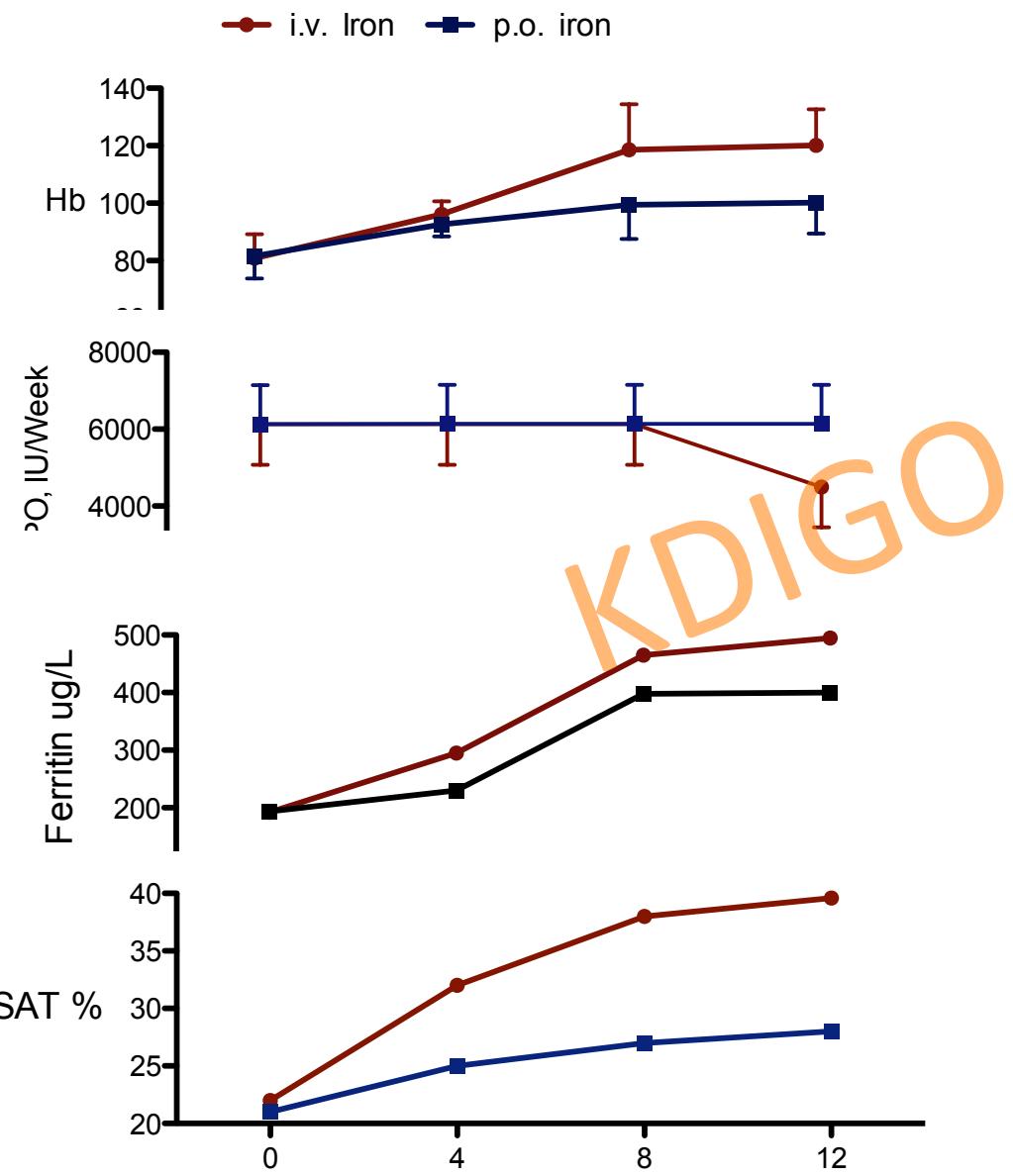
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Item	i.v. group (n = 70)	p.o. group (n = 66)
Age, years	53.6 ± 13.8	54.9 ± 12.6
Sex ratio, male/female	31/39	26/40
Duration of hemodialysis, months	37.6 ± 37.4	35.9 ± 33.1
Dialysis frequency, times/week	2.8 ± 0.4	2.7 ± 0.4
EPO dosage, U/kg/week	118 ± 34	119 ± 25
iPTH, ng/ml	188.7 ± 65.5	192.4 ± 59.6
Scr, µmol/l	979.8 ± 286.2	982.5 ± 273.6
BUN, mmol/l	25.9 ± 7.6	25.5 ± 7.0
Hb, g/l	80.9 ± 8.3	81.6 ± 7.8
Hct, %	22.1 ± 2.3	23.1 ± 2.8
SF, µg/l	192.6 ± 154.4	194.7 ± 158.4
TSAT, %	22.3 ± 12.4	21.3 ± 16.8
Folic acid, µg/l	15.6 ± 7.3	16.1 ± 5.2
Vitamin B ₁₂ , ng/l	738.2 ± 397.4	751.2 ± 417.8
CRP, mg/l	1.8 ± 1.2	1.9 ± 1.1

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- maintenance hemodialysis,
- Hb concentration 60–90 g/l
- ferritin (SF) <500 ng/ml
- TSAT < 30%



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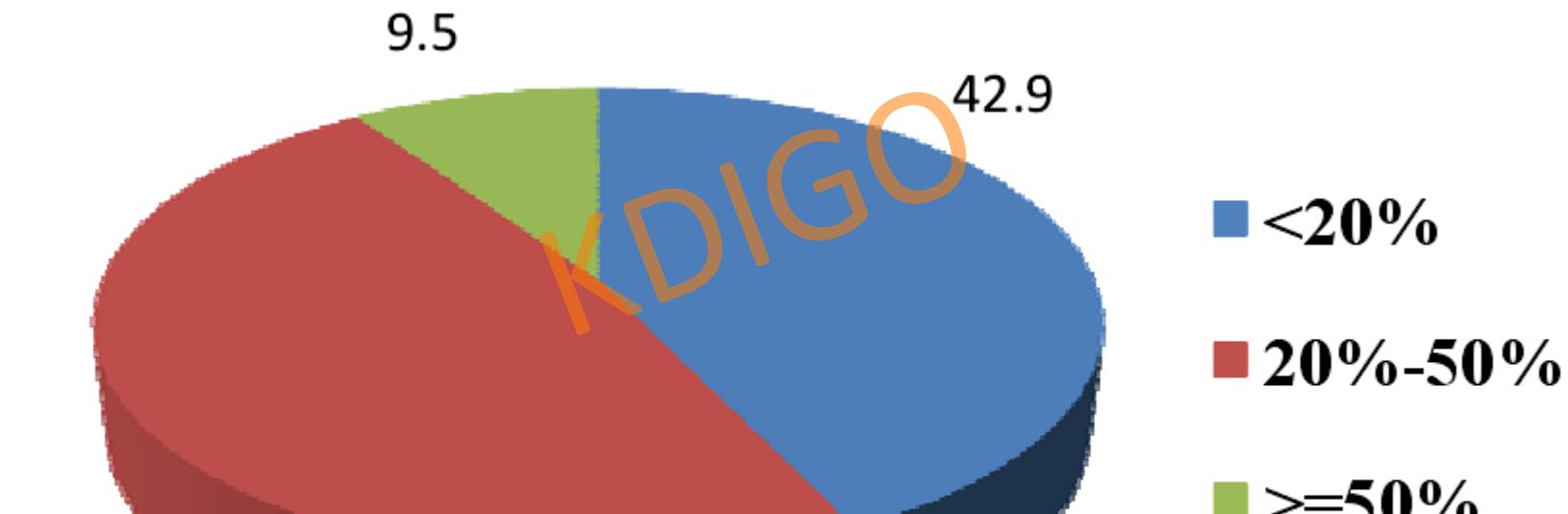
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China Dialysis Patients Hb \geq 100g/L

	2012		2013		2014		2015	
	mean	%	mean	%	mean	%	mean	%
Hb (g/L)	97	47.92%	99	50.25%	101	55.41%	102	57.31%

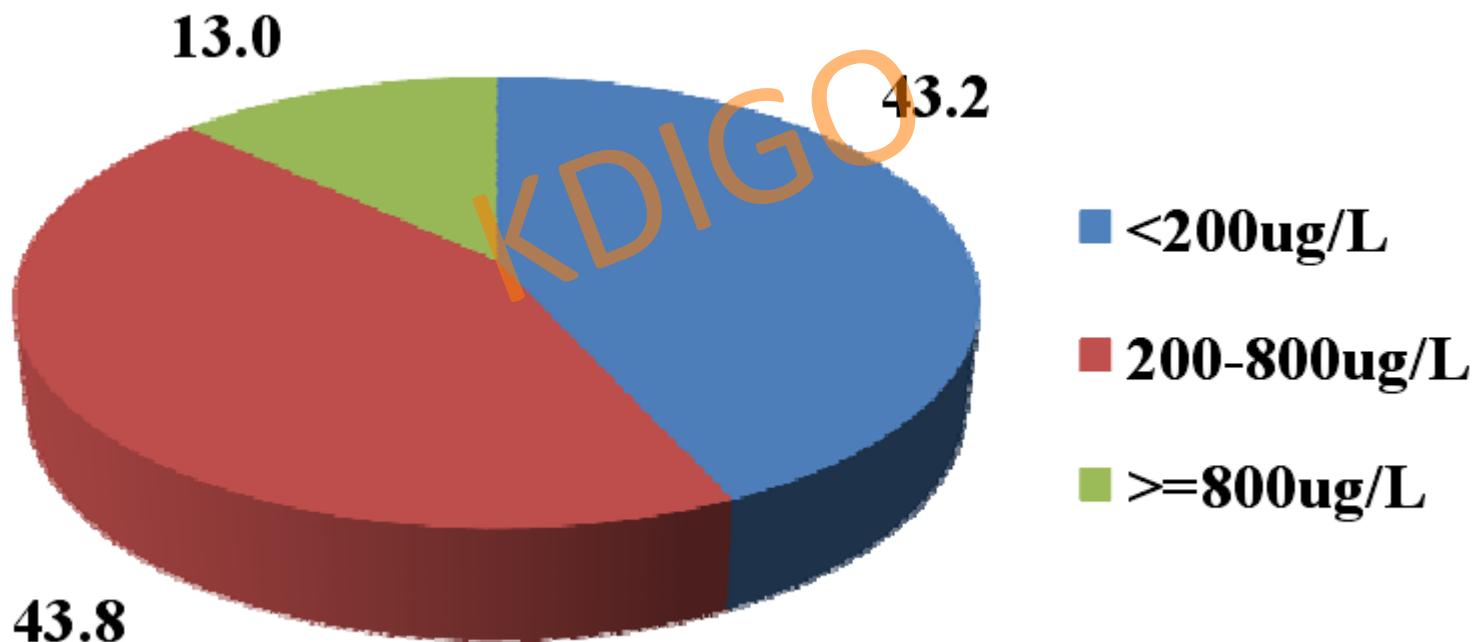
2012 China Maintenance Dialysis Patients

TSAT



China Dialysis Registry

2012 China Maintenance Dialysis Patients Serum Ferritin



China Dialysis Registry

Anemia Management in the China Dialysis Outcomes and Practice Patterns Study (DOPPS)

(Beijing, Shanghai and Guangzhou)

Measure	China (n = 1,379)	Japan (n = 1,586)	North America (n = 5,100)
<i>Patient characteristics</i>			
Age, years	59.4±14.6	64.7±12.0	62.9±15.1
Female, %	46.6	37.3	44.5
Vintage, years	4.8±4.6	8.5±7.5	4.0±4.2
Urine output >1 cup/day, % ^a	62.0	50.8	46.7
Body mass index, kg/m ²	21.9±3.5	21.1±3.3	28.5±7.0
Standardized, Kt/V ^b	2.03±0.41	2.14±0.25	2.25±0.26
Sessions per week	2.76±0.55	2.96±0.21	2.98±0.24
Comorbidities, %			
Cardiovascular disease ^c	60.6	60.7	72.0
Diabetes	24.0	35.3	61.2
Cancer	4.3	11.2	13.1
GI bleeding	2.5	5.2	5.8
Hepatitis B infection	8.6	2.5	1.2
Hepatitis C infection	12.0	8.4	3.7

Causes of ESRD

Anemia Management in the China DOPPS

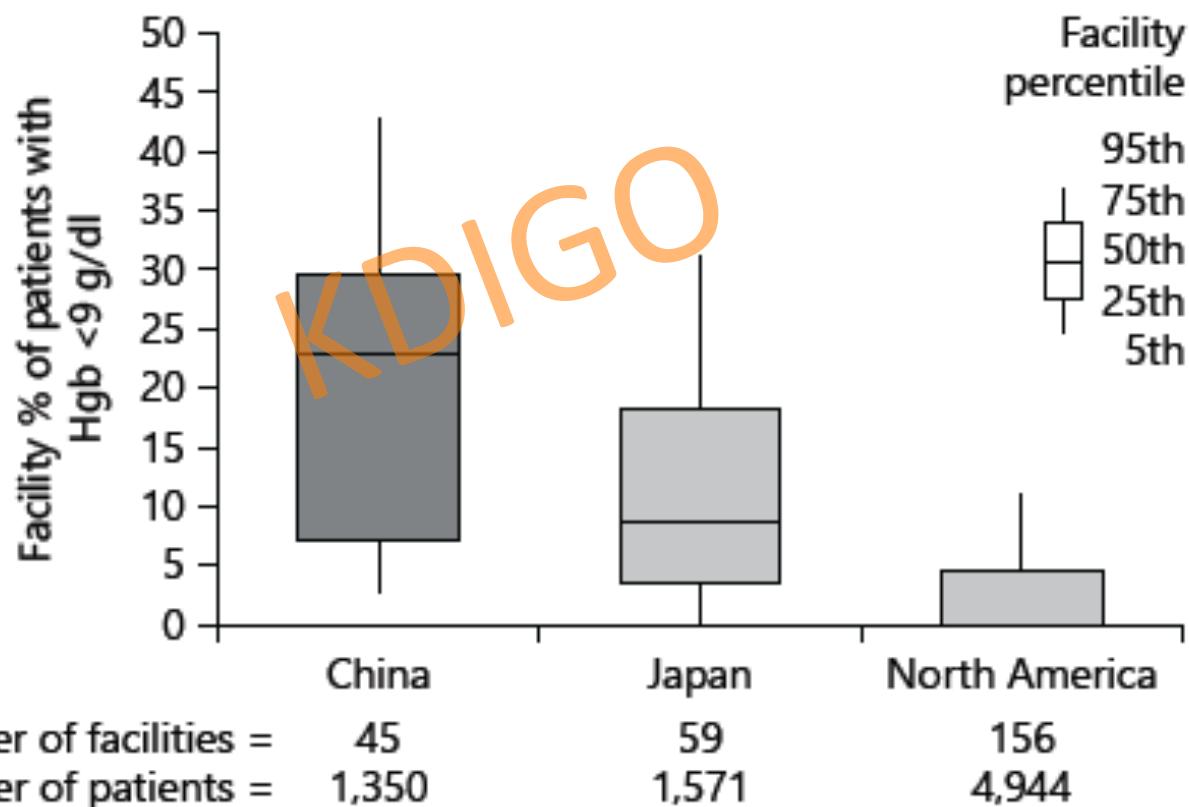
Measure	China (n = 1,379)	Japan (n = 1,586)	North America (n = 5,100)
Cause of ESRD, %			
Diabetes	20.2	31.7	42.5
Glomerular disease	46.1	44.8	11.3
Polycystic kidney disease	5.3	4.8	2.7
Other	28.5	18.6	43.6

Hb and Iron Status

(Anemia Management in the China DOPPS)

Measure	China (n = 1,379)	Japan (n = 1,586)	North America (n = 5,100)
Hgb, g/dl	10.5±2.0	10.4±1.2	11.5±1.2
Hgb categories, g/dl, %			
<8	12.0	2.7	0.6
8–<9	9.0	7.6	2.1
9–<10.0	15.9	24.1	6.6
10.0–12.0	41.7	58.5	60.4
>12.0	21.4	7.1	30.3
TSAT, %	31.2±15.2	24.2±10.7	29.3±12.4
TSAT categories, ng/ml, %			
<20	24.2	37.7	20.2
20–29	30.1	36.9	38.0
30–49	33.5	22.5	34.9
≥50	12.1	2.9	6.8
Ferritin	417±428	157±222	648±444
Ferritin categories, mg/l, %			
<200	40.7	75.4	12.2
200–499	33.6	19.7	30.1
500–799	16.1	3.3	28.6
≥800	9.6	1.6	29.1

Distribution of Facility Percentage of Patients with Hgb <9 g/dl by Region



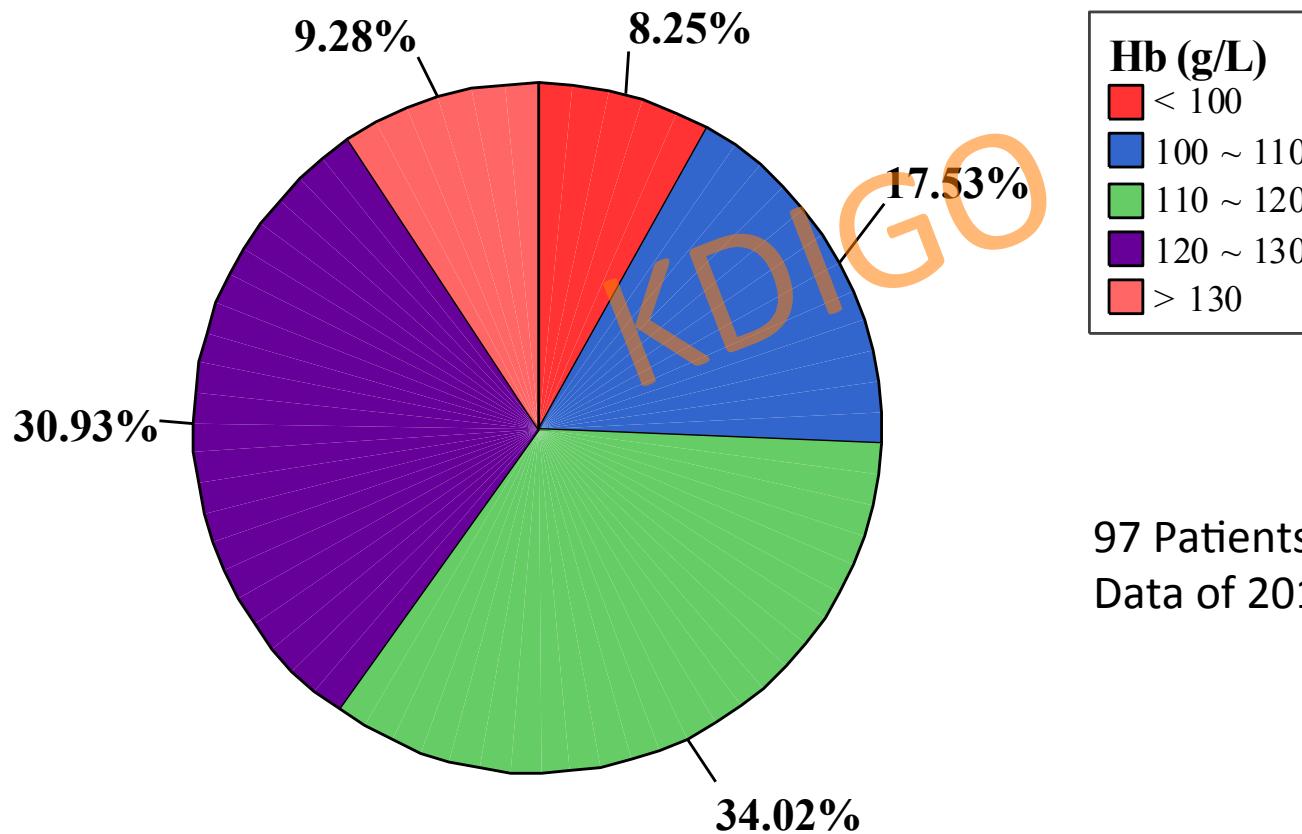
Iron and ESA Use

(Anemia Management in the China DOPPS)

Measure	China (n = 1,379)	Japan (n = 1,586)	North America (n = 5,100)
Medication prescribed ^d , %			
ESA	92.6	79.6	81.4
IV iron	37.2	21.9	58.2
ESA origin ^e			
Domestic	89.3	–	–
Non-domestic	10.7	–	–
ESA type, %			
Epoetinf	100	52.5	86.6
Pegylated epoetin	0	0	0
Darbepoetin	0	47.5	13.4
Other	0	0	0
ESA route, IV, %	50.8	100	97.3
EPO equivalent dose (EPO + darbepoetin), IV, μ	9.0 (6.0–10.0)	4.0 (2.0–6.0)	12.0 (6.0–24.6)

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Anemia Control in PD Patients in Huashan Hospital



97 Patients from Shanghai city
Data of 2015.6 – 2016.6

Unpublished data

Anemia Control in PD Patients in Huashan Hospital

Hb (g/L)	< 100	100 ~ 110	110 ~ 120	120 ~ 130	>130
Ferritin (ng/mL)	188 (154,454)	250 (170,298)	239 (157,347)	211 (107,305)	143 (129,184)
TSAT (%)	25.0 ± 4.1	28.7 ± 8.1	30.8 ± 7.3	31.2 ± 7.6	33.7 ± 8.0
EPO (1000xU/mo)	40.0 (32.5,55)	30.0 (30,40)	25 (20,35)	20 (15,20)	10 (10,20)
Iv iron (mg/year)	400 (125,1275)	200 (0,750)	200 (0,400)	0 (0,225)	0 (0,300)

Iv Iron use: 47.4%

Oral iron: 2.1%

EPO: 97%

Zhu T et al Unpublished data

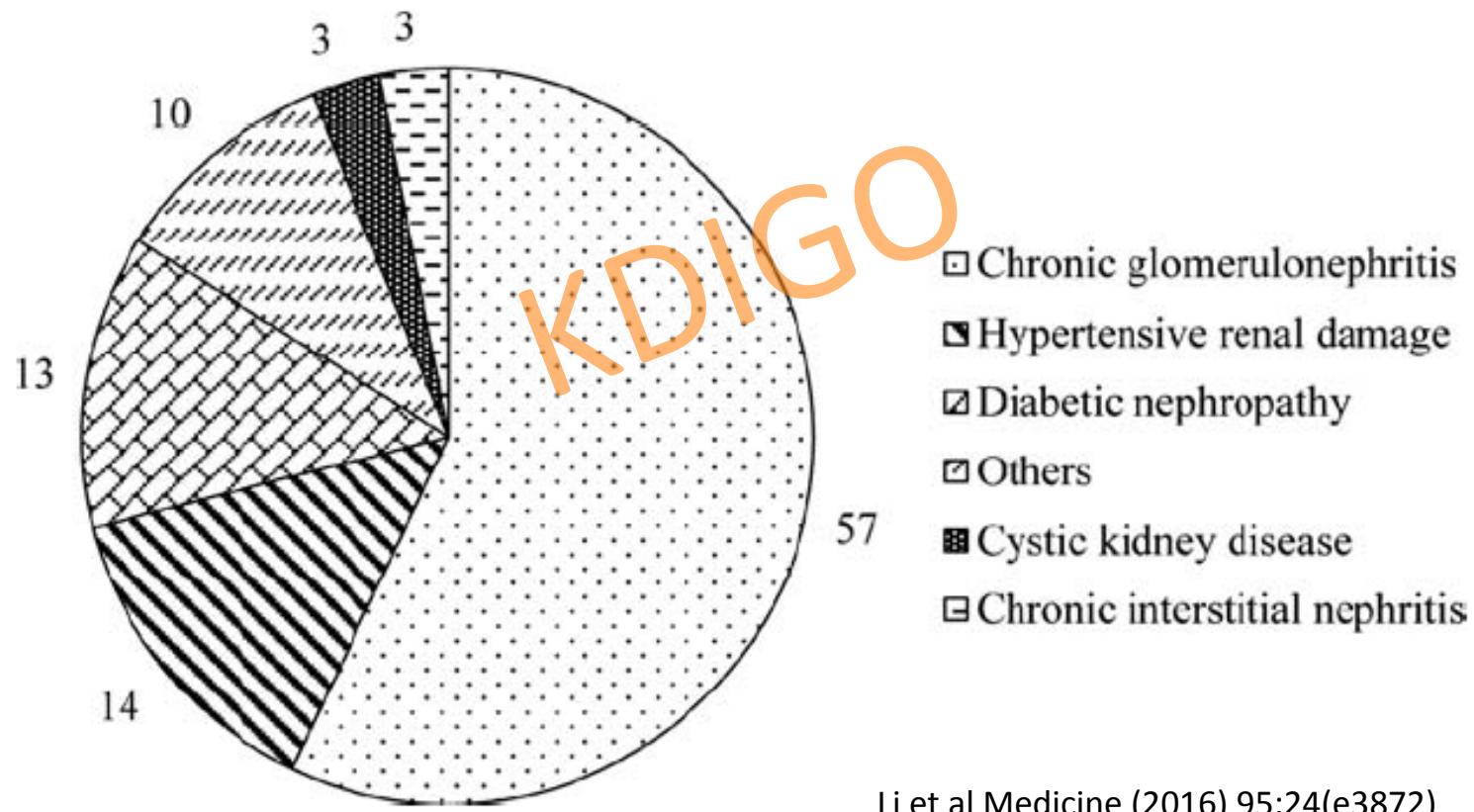
Heterogeneity in Anemia Management in CKD Patient in China

- Insurance coverage or reimbursement cap
- Practice pattern of physician (two-times weekly hemodialysis is more commonly practiced in China)
- Different ESAs

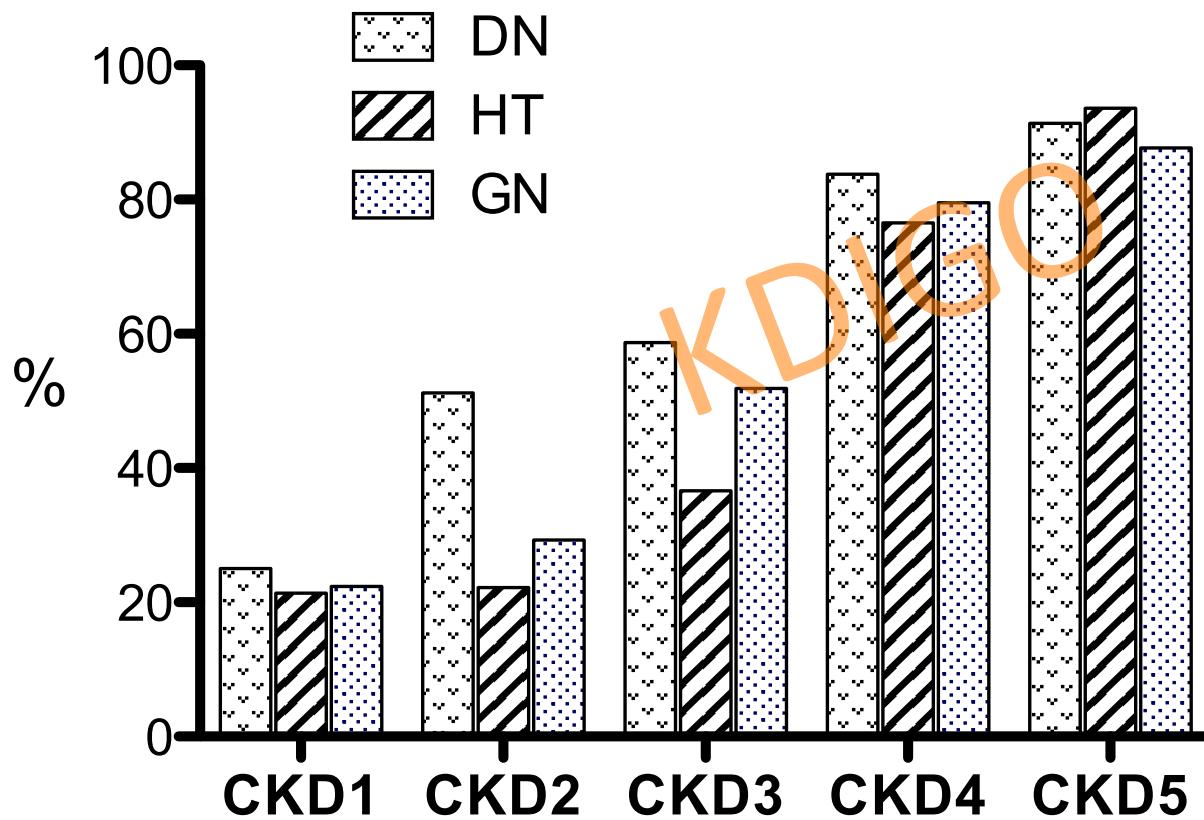
Anemia in Patients with Non-dialysis Chronic Kidney Disease in Shanghai Area

Variable	Overall	eGFR, mL/min/1.73 m ²				
		Stage 1, eGFR ≥ 90	Stage 2, $90 > \text{eGFR} \geq 60$	Stage 3, $60 > \text{eGFR} \geq 30$	Stage 4, $30 > \text{eGFR} \geq 15$	Stage 5, eGFR < 15
N	2420	642	440	509	341	488
Age, y	54.51 ± 16.95	44.52 ± 16.48	54.98 ± 15.64	59.12 ± 15.44	59.31 ± 15.33	59.52 ± 15.43
BMI	23.47 ± 4.39	23.37 ± 4.32	24.44 ± 5.33	23.76 ± 4.46	22.92 ± 4.17	22.67 ± 3.41
Male	1297 (53.6%)	315 (49.1%)	256 (58.2%)	314 (61.7%)	189 (55.4%)	223 (45.7%)
Female	1123 (46.4%)	327 (50.9%)	184 (4.18%)	195 (38.3%)	152 (44.6%)	265 (54.3%)
SBP, mm Hg	135.18 ± 29.95	124.47 ± 17.54	132.97 ± 23.12	138.34 ± 41.26	139.34 ± 21.88	144.92 ± 34.32
DBP, mm Hg	80.78 ± 24.46	77.33 ± 10.46	79.71 ± 11.35	83.89 ± 14.41	81.67 ± 13.13	82.38 ± 14.35
Hypertension	1086 (45.5%)	182 (28.9%)	175 (40.5%)	244 (48.3%)	192 (56.8%)	293 (60.8%)
History of smoking	504 (21.1%)	123 (19.2%)	107 (24.5%)	105 (21.0%)	86 (25.5%)	83 (17.6%)
Hb, g/dL	126.33 ± 13.56	137.39 ± 15.05	138.09 ± 15.59	124.80 ± 21.77	110.74 ± 19.02	104.23 ± 26.64
Ferritin, ng/mL	180.83 ± 144.86	147.82 ± 128.71	193.67 ± 130.87	176.32 ± 135.97	188.03 ± 153.51	184.77 ± 140.62
Transferrin saturation, %	27.11 ± 10.54	29.40 ± 12.68	34.19 ± 12.54	17.09 ± 10.41	28.19 ± 16.62	25.58 ± 12.46

Underlying Diseases of CKD



Anemia in Pre-dialysis CKD



Anemia defined as a Hb
of 13.0 g/dL in men and
12.0 g/dL in women

Iron Status in Patients with Non-dialysis Chronic Kidney Disease in Shanghai Area

Variable	Total (%)	eGFR, mL/min/1.73 m ²				
		Stage 1, eGFR ≥90 (% of patients)	Stage 2, 90 > eGFR ≥60 (% of patients)	Stage 3, 60 > eGFR ≥30 (% of patients)	Stage 4, 30 > eGFR ≥15 (% of patients)	Stage 5, eGFR <15 (% of patients)
Ferritin level, ng/mL						
≤100	29.7 (319)	47.1 (49)	20.0 (36)	44.0 (60)	26.9 (69)	26.5 (105)
101–200	24.1 (272)	35.3 (39)	30.0 (32)	16.0 (51)	25.0 (58)	25.0 (92)
201–500	46.1 (436)	17.6 (44)	83.3 (44)	40.0 (79)	48.1 (101)	48.5 (168)

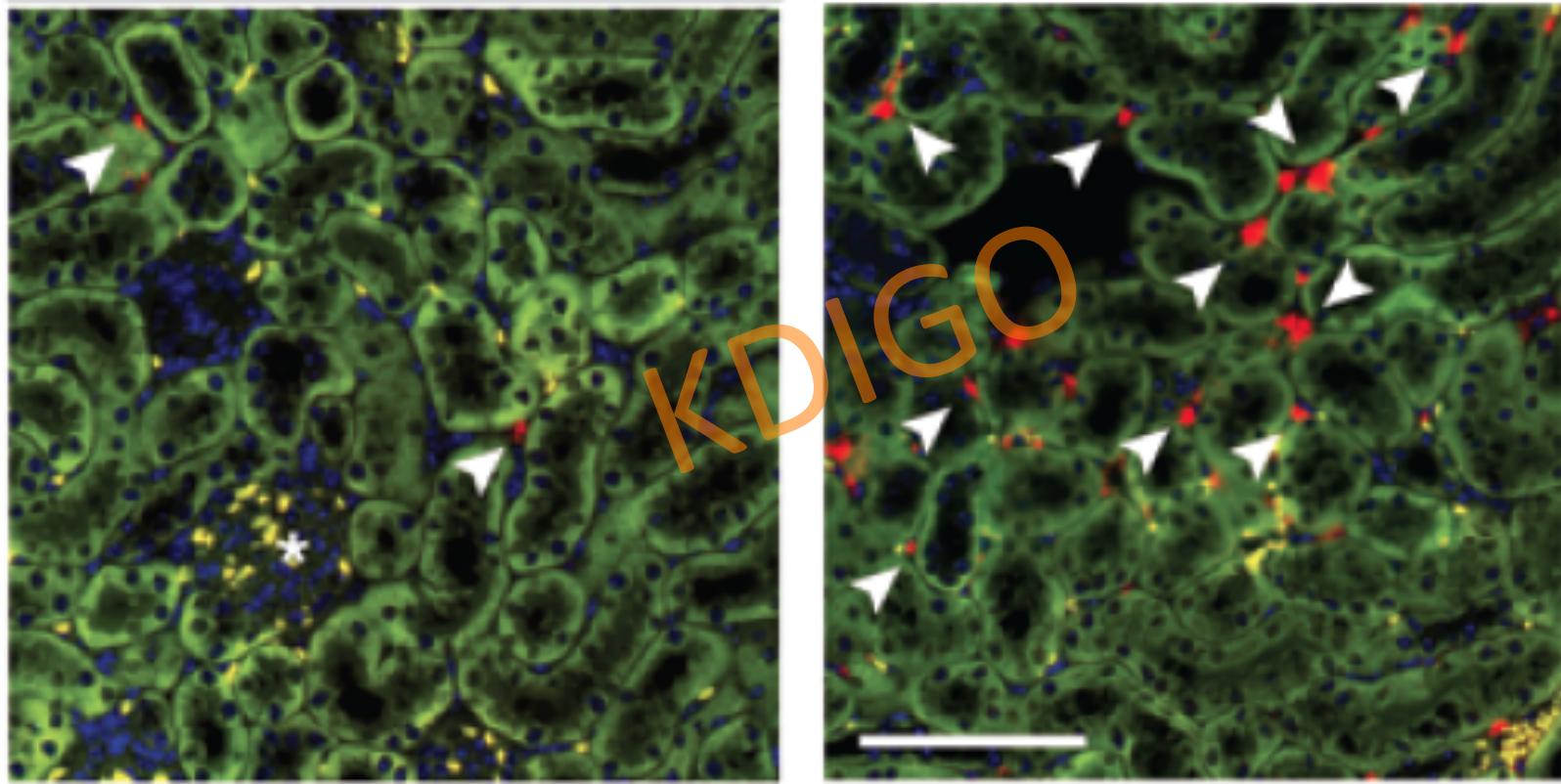
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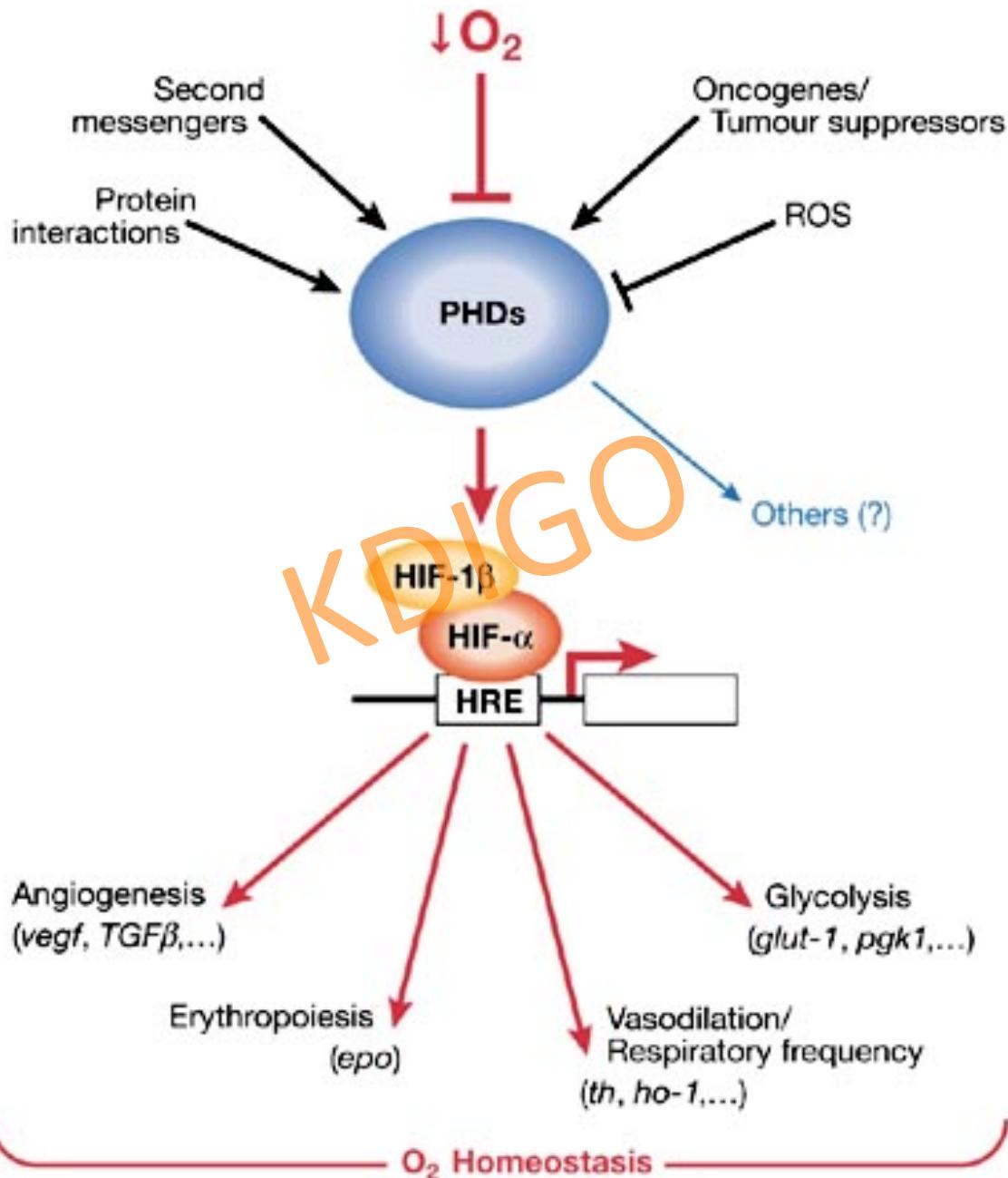
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Transferrin saturation, %	≤20	41.0 (344)	41.2 (39)	20.0 (31)	42.3 (59)	36.2 (78)
	20–30	36.9 (318)	29.4 (34)	40.0 (34)	50.0 (68)	48.9 (79)
	>30	22.1 (323)	29.4 (52)	40.0 (51)	7.7 (58)	14.9 (60)

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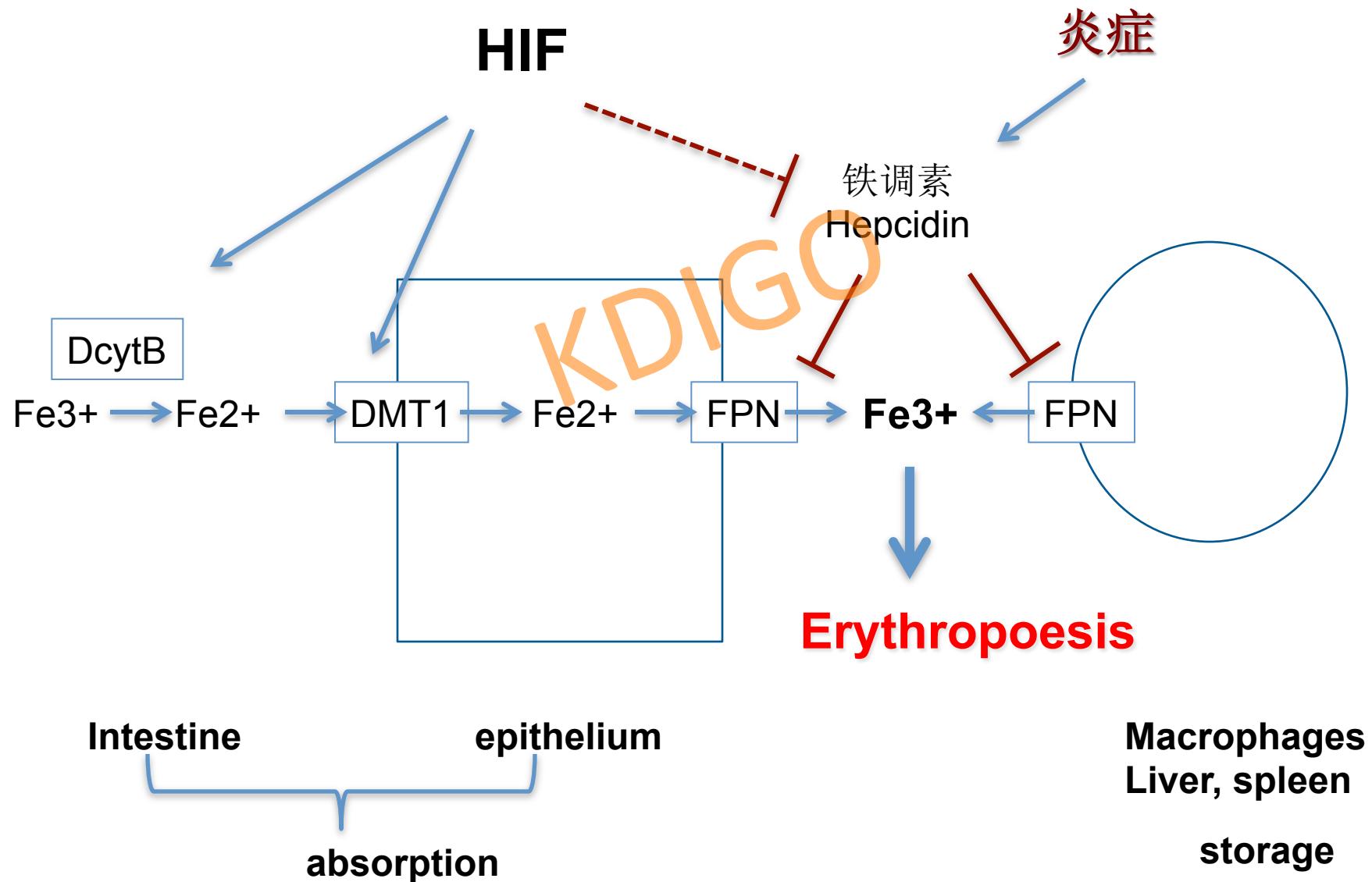
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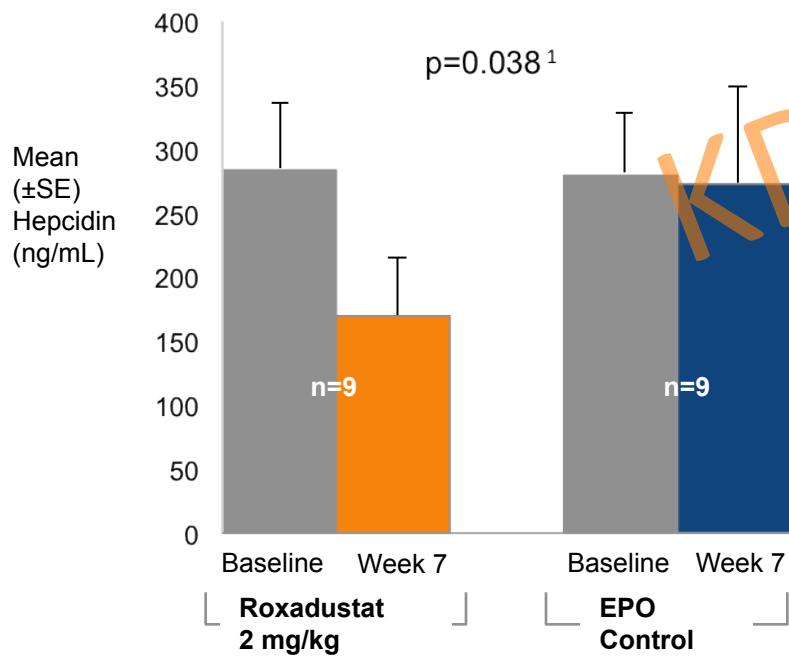
Iron Absorption and Storage



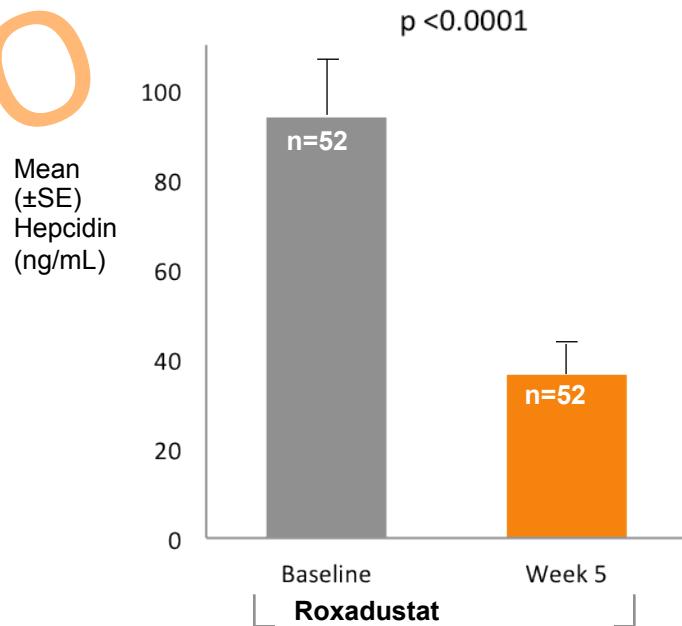
Roxadustat Reduces Hepcidin

Decreased Hepcidin Improves Iron Availability and Reduces ESA Resistance

**CKD-DD Patients Previously Treated with EPO
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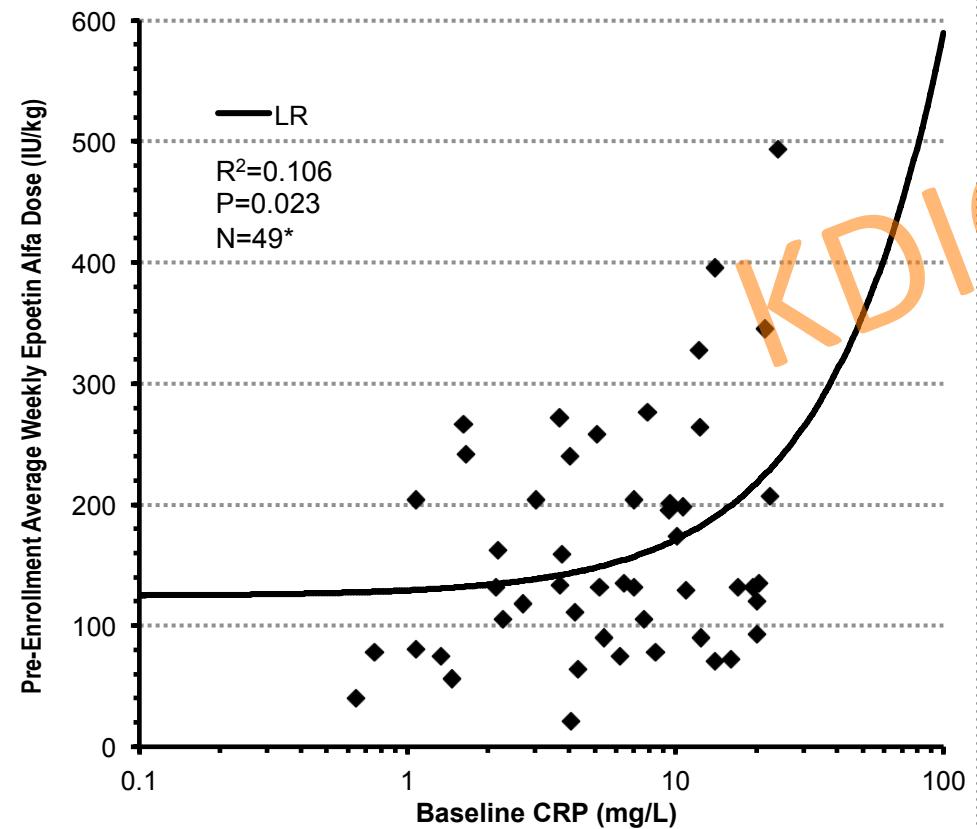
**CKD-DD Newly Initiated Dialysis
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Higher ESA but NOT Roxadustat Doses Required in Presence of Inflammation

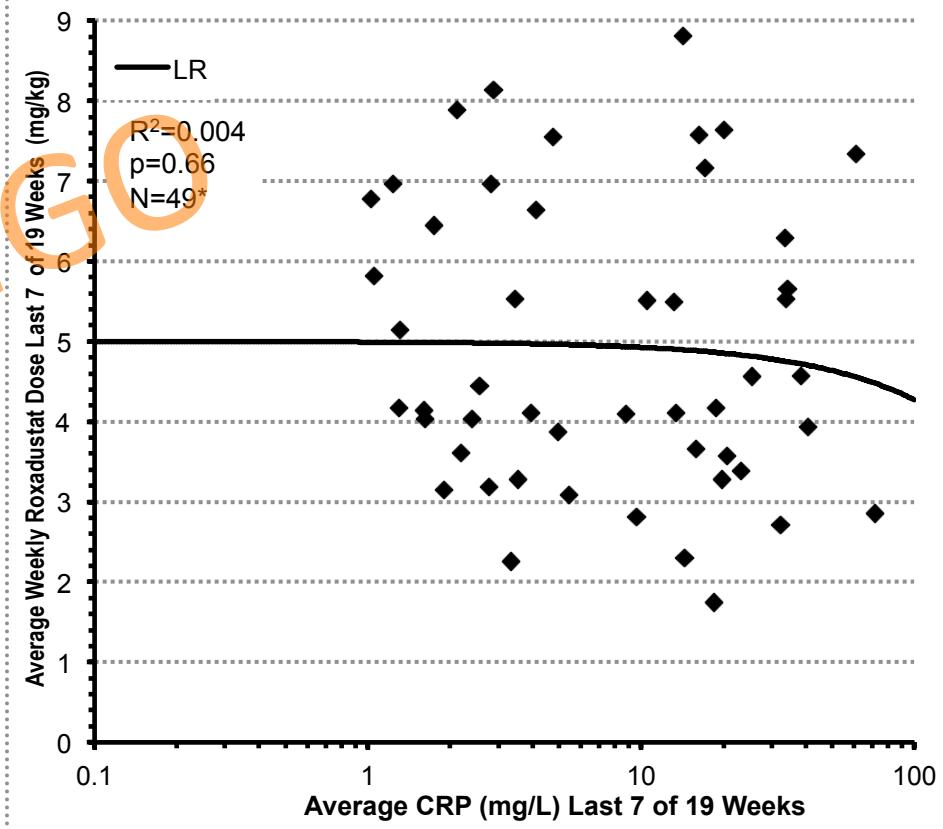
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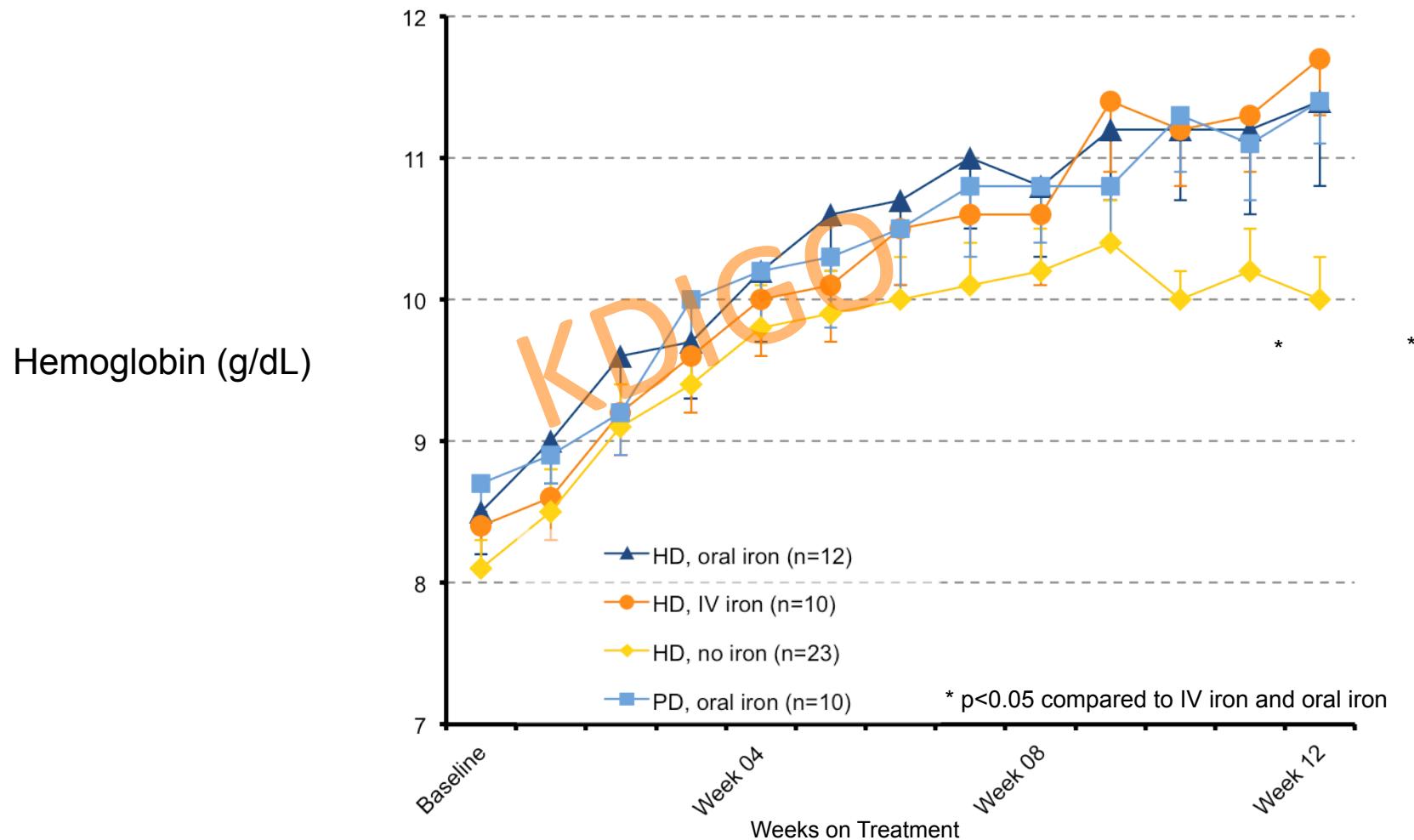


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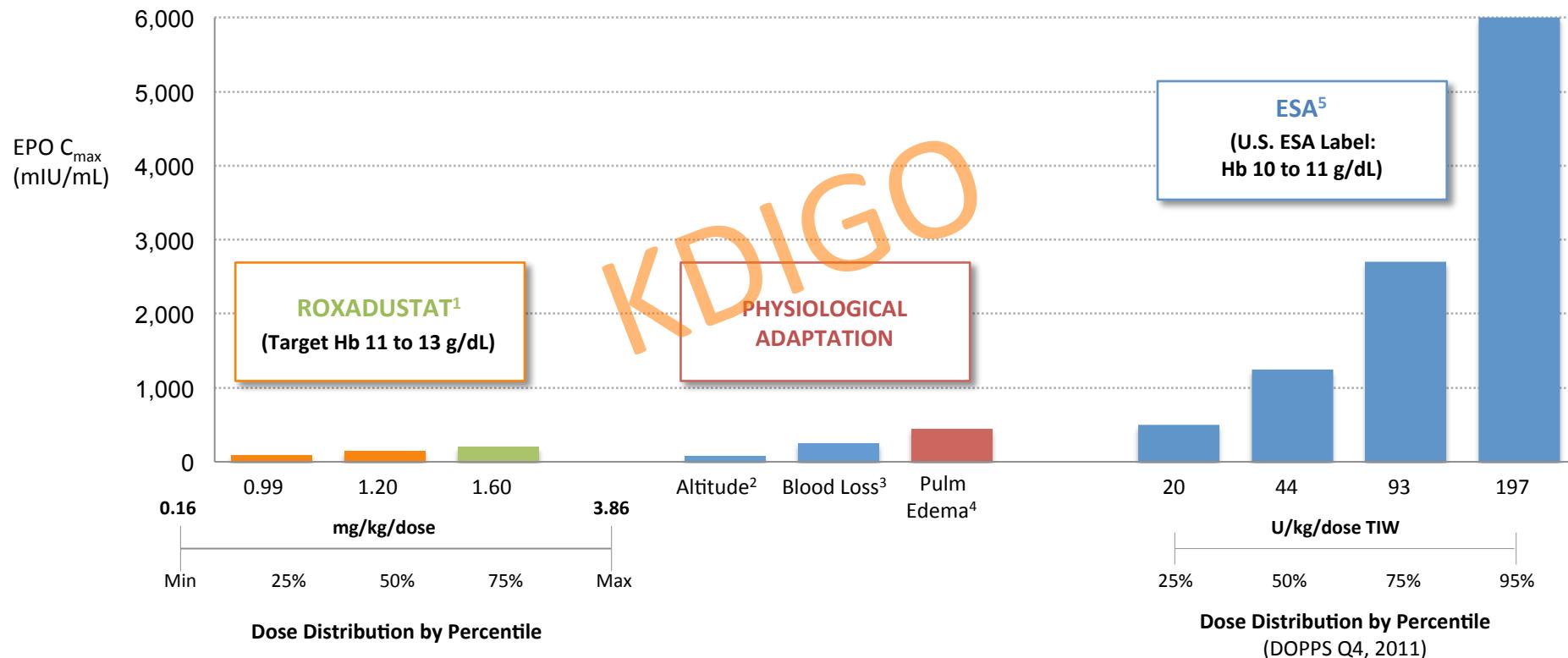


PHI Corrects Anemia in Newly Initiated Dialysis Patients without IV Iron



Source: Besarab et al (2016) J Am Soc Nephrol. 27:1225-1233

PHI Achieves Target Hb within or near Physiologic EPO C_{max} Levels



¹ C_{max} data for roxadustat estimated for a subset of 243 patients who achieved Hb response and were dosed at expected therapeutic doses.

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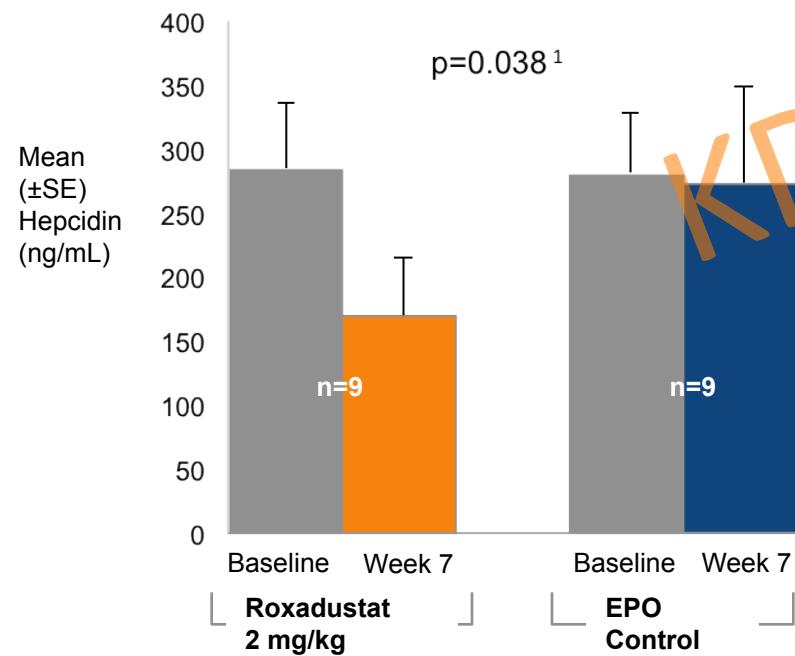
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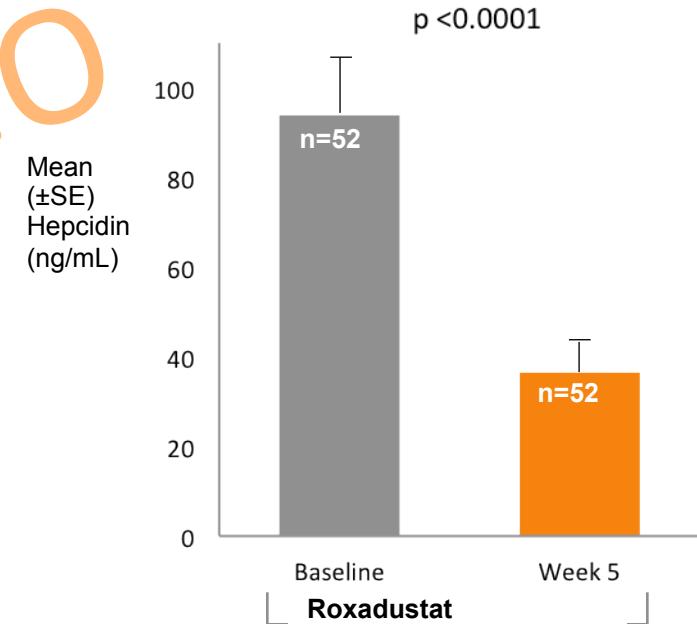
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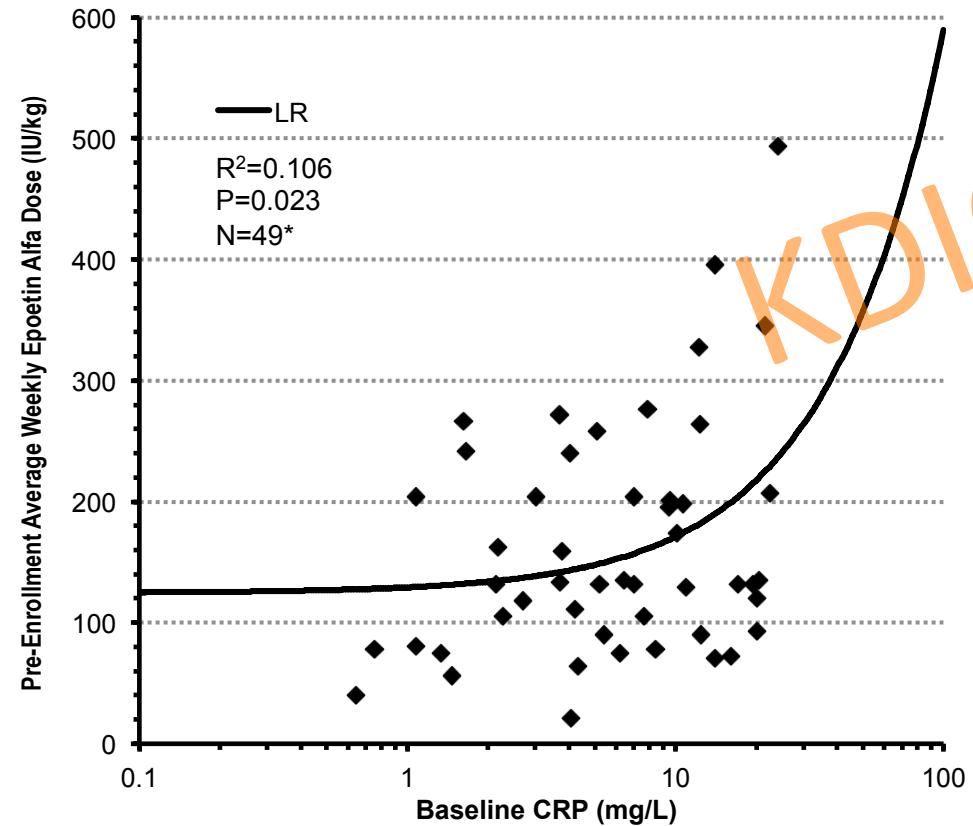
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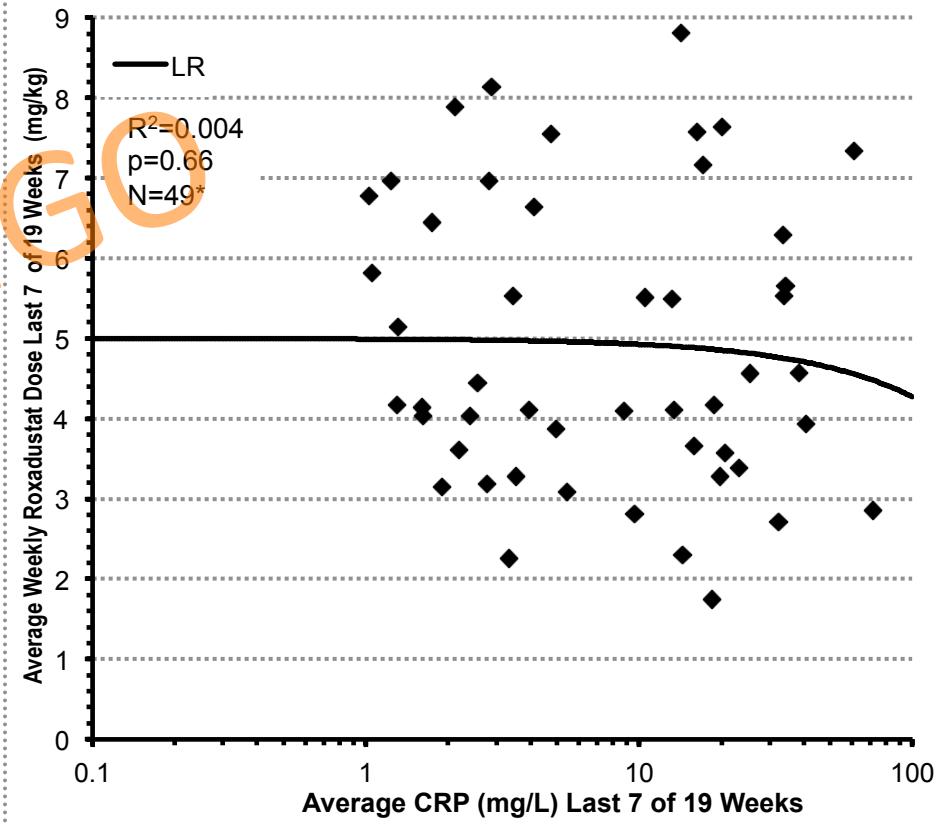
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