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A cyst in a kidney...

A cyst is a fluid-filled cavity lined with epithelium.







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Liebau & Serra Pediatr Nephrol, 2013



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	ARPKD	ADPKD	
Main genes	PKHD1, DZIP1L	PKD1, PKD2, GANAB, DNAJB11	
Incidence	1:20.000	1:500-1:1000	
Main clinical	CKD.	CKD.	
manifestations	Arterial hypertension.	Arterial hypertension.	
	Hyponatremia.	Hematuria.	
	Neonatal respiratory distress/failure	UTIs.	
	due to pulmonary hypoplasia.	Pain.	
	Congenital hepatic fibrosis and	Polycystic liver disease.	
	portal hypertension.	()	
Risk for siblings	25%	50% (except in cases of	
		spontaneous mutation with	
		virtually no risk)	
Risk for own children	<1% (unless unaffected parent is	50% (also for patients with	
	related to affected partner, or	spontaneous mutations)	
	ARPKD is known in the unaffected		
	partner's family)		
Parental kidneys	No alterations	Usually one affected parent	
		(unless parents are <30 yrs or in	
		case of spontaneous mutation)	
Prognosis	~50% ESRD in first two decades	Median age of ESRD: 58 yrs (PKD1)	
	Substantial mortality in patients with	vs. 79 yrs (PKD2)	
	neonatal respiratory distress.		
	Severe complications due to portal		
	hypertension.		





Nephronophthisis

- Most common genetic cause of ESRD in the first three decades of life
- Caused by mutations in more than 25 genes
- Classic clinical presentation with polyuria and/or loss of GFR in children



Hildebrandt et al., JASN 2009





	D'	Phenotype			
Disease entity		Renal manifestations Extrarenal manifestations		Affected genes	
mplex	Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease (ADPKD)	enlarged kidneys with numerous ubiquitous macrocysts	 hepatic, splenic and pancreatic cysts cardiac valve abnormalities intracranial aneurysms 	PKD1 and PKD2	
PKD co	Autosomal Recessive Polycystic Kidney Disease (ARPKD)	enlarged hyperechogenic kidneys with microcysts	- ductal plate malformation/congenital hepatic fibrosis - pulmonary hypoplasia	PKHD1	
NPH-MKS-complex	Isolated nephronophthisis	hyperechogenic kidneys with normal or reduced size and corticomedullar cysts	- none		
	Senior-Løken Syndrome	nephronophthisis	- retinitis pigmentosa	NPHP1-18, MKS 1-12, JBTS 1-22	
	Joubert Syndrome	nephronophthisis (renal symptoms may be absent)	 cerebellar vermis hypoplasia ataxia, muscular hypotonia and psychomotor delay retinal dystrophia liver fibrosis 		
	Meckel-Gruber-Syndrome	enlarged cystic kidneys	 progressive retinal degeneration occipital encephalocele severe psychomotor delay liver fibrosis hexadactyly 		
complex	Bardet-Biedl-Syndrome	cystic kidney disease	 progressive retinal degeneration postaxial polydactyly obesity and hypogonadism anosmia and ataxia 	BBS1-20	

Habbig und Liebau, Mol Cell Pediatrics, 2015







Figure 1 | Renal and extra-renal phenotypes frequently observed among patients with hepatocyte nuclear factor 1β -associated disease.

Clissold et al., Nat Rev Nephrology, 2015





Phenocopies Some NPHPs HNF1β-related (e.g. INVS/NPHP3/ disorders NEK8/ANKS6) Polycystic kidney disease (PKD1/PKD2/PKHD1) Unidentified Other ciliopathies (BBS/JSRDetc.) disease genes Bergmann, Pediatric Nephrology, 2015



Helpful clinical criteria



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1.) Family history

- Nephronophthisis, NPH-associated syndromes, BBS and ARPKD are recessive disorders – there is typically no prominent family history of cystic kidneys.
- Ask for consanguinity of parents
- ADPKD and HNF1ß-associated nephropathy show a dominant pattern of inheritance
- Spontaneous novel mutations can occur in about 10% of ADPKD cases and are even more common in HNF1ß-associated cases





2.) Age of presentation and kidney function

- ARPKD is typically found antenatally or in the first years of life
- NPH can present as an infantile form (very rare), a juvenile form (most common) or as adolescent NPH (rare) – depending on the underlying genetic defects
- In ADPKD first cysts can often be detected during childhood and adolescence. Children may be hypertensive or proteinuric. Kidney function typically starts to deteriorate later in life.





3.) Number of cysts

- For patients with a positive family history of ADPKD the Pei-Ravine criteria define age-dependent numbers of cysts to establish the diagnosis of ADPKD
- <30 years of age: 2 cysts (uni- or bilateral);
 30 to 59 years: ≥2 cysts per kidney;
 >60 years: ≥ 4 cysts per kidney (standard ultrasound)
- For other cystic disorder such criteria have not been established.





Liebau & Serra Pediatr Nephrol, 2013

Liebau and Habbig, DGfN-News 2015

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"In children with a renal cyst, always consider an underlying cystic kidney disease as a differential diagnosis."





4.) Localization of cysts

- Unilateral bilateral? Multicystic dysplastic kidney disease is a common unilateral differential diagnosis in young children.
- Medulla? Ubiquitous? Cortico-medullary border?



Liebau and Habbig, DGfN-News 2015



Liebau & Serra Pediatr Nephrol, 2013





5.) Size of kidneys and of cysts

- In ARPKD and in ADPKD kidneys are enlarged.
- Kidneys in juvenile and adolescent NPH are normal-sized or small.
- ADPKD presents with macrocysts, while ARPKD primarily shows microcysts



Liebau and Habbig, DGfN-News 2015



Liebau & Serra Pediatr Nephrol, 2013





6.) Extrarenal symptoms

- Extrarenal can be crucial for establishing the clinical diagnosis
- Examples include:
 - Polycystic liver disease in ADPKD,
 - Congenital hepatic fibrosis in ARPKD,
 - Hexadactyly in BBS
 - Molar Tooth Sign in Joubert's syndrome
 - Retinitis pigmentosa, Situs inversus in NPH-associated diseases





6.) Extrarenal symptoms





Ebner et al., Pediatrics Nephrology, 2017



Müller and Liebau, in "Nierenerkrankungen des Kindes- und Jugendalters" (Dötsch/Weber Hrsg), 2017





Cystic kidney diseases are systemic disorders – actively look for extrarenal symptoms!

> Goetz & Anderson, Nature Reviews Genetics, 2010





J Am Soc Nephrol 15: 2528–2536, 2004

Intraflagellar Transport and Cilia-Dependent Renal Disease: The Ciliary Hypothesis of Polycystic Kidney Disease

GREGORY J. PAZOUR Program in Molecular Medicine, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, Massachusetts





Cilia



Liebau; Front Pediatr, 2014



Pazour et al.; *Trends Cell Biol*, 2002





A polycystic kidney-disease gene homologue required for male mating behaviour in *C. elegans*

Maureen M. Barr & Paul W. Sternberg

Howard Hughes Medical Institute and Division of Biology, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California 91125, USA

Nature, 1999









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*Chlamydomonas IFT*88 and Its Mouse Homologue, Polycystic Kidney Disease Gene *Tg*737, Are Required for Assembly of Cilia and Flagella

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PKD proteins form complexes at the cilium





Cilia can be found on multiple cell types



Fliegauf, Benzing, Omran, Nat Rev Mol Cell Biol, 2007



























O'Connor et al., Cilia, 2013

























PKD-associated signaling

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Liebau and Bergmann, 2016 In Schaefer/Geary *Pediatric Kidney Disease* 2nd edition



Emerging therapeutic approaches



Torres et al., NEJM 2012



Defining pediatric end points for RCTs

International registry studies: ARegPKD and ADPedKD







ARegPKD – 111 centers in 27 countries









Risk factors for early dialysis dependency?









Table I. Patient characteristics and univariate analysis of prenatal, perinatal, and postnatal predictors of dialysis dependency within the first year of life

		No dialysis in first year	Dialysis in first year	
Characteristics	All cases (n = 385)	of life (n = 349)	of life $(n = 36)$	P Value
Prenatal information				
Oligohydramnios or anhydramnios, n/N (%)	107/318 (33.6)	77/284 (27.1)	30/34 (88)	<.001
Gestational age at diagnosis, wk (n = 96), mean (SD)	29.9 (5.1)	30.2 (5.3)	29.1 (4.6)	.20
Increased echogenicity, n/N (%)	78/291 (26.8)	60/267 (22.5)	18/24 (75.0)	<.001
Gestational age at diagnosis, wk (n = 72), mean (SD)	28.9 (5.0)	28.6 (5.3)	29.7 (4.1)	.55
Enlarged kidneys, n/N (%)	70/301 (23.3)	47/272 (17.3)	23/29 (79.3)	<.001
Renal cysts, n/N (%)	82/312 (26.3)	59/282 (20.9)	23/30 (76.7)	<.001
Amnioninfusion performed, n/N (%)	8/322 (2.5)	4/288 (1.4)	4/34 (11.8)	<.001
Perinatal information		1. Sec 2. Sec 2.		0.00400
Vaginal delivery, n/N (%)	182/315 (57.8)	164/279 (58.8)	18/36 (50.0%)	.007
Gestational age at birth, wk (n = 285), mean (SD)	37.5 (2.7)	37.7 (2.7)	36.1 (2.4)	<.001
Birth weight (n = 277), kg, mean (SD)	3.058 (0.657)	3.065 (0.644)	3.001 (0.757)	.92
(n = 250) (SDS)	-0.1 (1.4)	-0.1 (1.5)	0.4 (1.3)	.003
Birth length (n = 203), cm, mean (SD)	49.9 (4.4)	50.0 (4.4)	48.8 (4.0)	.15
(n = 190) (SDS)	-0.1 (1.3)	-0.1 (1.4)	-0.1 (1.1)	.87
Appar 1 min (n = 176), mean (SD)	7.5 (2.4)	7.9 (2.1)	5.0 (2.5)	<.001
Apgar 5 min (n = 172), mean (SD)	8.4 (1.9)	8.7 (1.5)	6.3 (2.4)	<.001
Apgar 10 min (n = 157), mean (SD)	8.9 (1.4)	9.1 (1.3)	7.7 (1.6)	<.001
Admission to NICU, n/N (%)	83/336 (24.7)	60/300 (20.0)	23/36 (63.9)	<.001
Days on NICU ($n = 73$), mean (SD)	39 (68)	27 (32)	69 (113)	.003
Assisted breathing/ventilation, n/N (%)	78/333 (23.4)	54/297 (18.2)	24/36 (66.7)	<.001
Pharmacologic pulmonary maturation, n/N (%)	18/325 (5.5)	11/290 (3.8)	7/35 (20.0)	<.001
Postnatal information				
Poor adaptation, n/N (%)	75/338 (22.2)	54/302 (17.9)	21/36 (58.3)	<.001
Pulmonary hypertension, n/N (%)	23/323 (7.1)	13/291 (4.5)	10/32 (31.3)	<.001
Potter facies, n/N (%)	13/329 (4.0)	6/297 (2.0)	7/32 (21.9)	<.001
Genetic information	a subscription of the state	Star Sector Contractor	and the second	12 42 42 44 45
Documentation of PKHD1 testing, n/N (%)	169/385 (43.9)	150/349 (43.0)	19/36 (52.8)	
Truncating/truncating	10/169 (5.9)	6/150 (4.0)	4/19 (21.1)	
Truncating/missense	38/169 (22.5)	34/150 (22.7)	4/19 (21.1)	
Missense/missense	68/169 (40.2)	65/150 (43.3)	3/19 (15.8)	
One single mutation	16/169 (9.5)	13/150 (8.7)	3/19 (15.8)	
No mutation detection in case of <i>PKHD1</i> testing (n = 22) or insufficient data (n = 15)	37/169 (21.9)	32/150 (21.3)	5/19 (26.3)	
No documentation of PKHD1 testing, n/N (%)	216/385 (56.1)	199/349 (57.0)	17/36 (47.2)	

NICU, neonatal intensive care unit.

Burgmaier et al., J Peds, 2018



Risk factors for early dialysis dependency?

Table II. Multivariate Cox model of prenatal, perinatal, and postnatal predictors of the need for renal replacement therapy within the first year of life

Parameter	HR	95% CI	P value
Sex	0.925	0.462-1.850	.825
Oligohydramnios/anhydramnios	4.473	1.295-15.449	.018
Prenatal enlarged kidneys	3.177	1.087-9.282	.035
Vaginal delivery	1.271	0.584-2.765	.545
Gestational age at birth, wk	1.121	0.917-1.371	.265
Gestational age at birth * time	0.666	0.426-1.040	.074
Birth weight SDS	1.291	1.031-1.618	.026
Birth weight SDS * time	0.451	0.158-1.288	.137
Apgar 10-min	0.748	0.564-0.991	.043
Apgar 10-min * time	1.548	0.485-4.945	.460
Assisted breathing and/or ventilation	6.994	1.536-31.845	.012
Assisted breathing and/or ventilation * time	0.008	0.000-0.320	.010

Time interaction terms are denoted with "* time".

Burgmaier et al., J Peds, 2018





Summary

- Cystic kidney diseases are important causes of ESRD in children and adults.
- Various important subtypes of cystic kidney diseases exist. Genetic testing may be required to confirm a specific diagnosis but widely available markers can help to rapidly establish a clinical diagnosis. Extrarenal manifestations should actively be sought.
- Cystic kidney diseases are currently considered to be ciliopathies and, as such, are systemic disorders.
- For pediatric patients the definition of primary end points for clinical trials is challenging as there is ample phenotypic variability. International registry studies aim to characterize large pediatric ARPKD and ADPKD cohorts.

