

Kliiniline küsimus nr 14_II

Kas kroonilise neeruhraigusega patsientidel järgmiste ravimite kasutamise ja annustamise otsustamisel tuleb arvestada neerufunksiooni (kreatiniin, eGFR) väärtsusi vs mitte:

- digoksiin
- aminoglükosiidid
- allopurinol

Kriitilised tulemusnäitajad:

kroonilise neeruhraiguse ravi tulemuslikkus, põhihaiguse ravi tulemuslikkus, äge neerukahjustus, kroonilise neeruhraiguse progresseerumine, neeruasendusravi, hospitaliseerimine, patsiendi elukvaliteet, ravikulu, elulemus, üldsuremuse vähemine

*vt ka KNH_EvSu_K12

Kliinilise küsimuse vastamiseks otsiti materjali eelnevalt sekretariaadi poolt Agree II meetodil hinnatud ravijuhenditest (**KDIGO 2012 Clinical Practice Guideline for the Evaluation and Management of Chronic Kidney Disease; NICE Clinical Guideline 182: Chronic kidney disease (partial update). Early identification and management of chronic kidney disease in adults in primary and secondary care, Academy of Medicine of Malaysia: Management of Chronic Kidney Disease; KHA-CARI Guideline: Early chronic kidney disease: Detection, prevention and management; Scottish Intercollegiate Guidelines Network: Diagnosis and management of chronic kidney disease**).

Lisaks teostati otsingud PubMed andmebaasis:

30.08.15. (((((digoxin) OR digitalis)) AND dosing)) OR (((digoxin) OR digitalis)) AND (((kidney function) OR renal function) OR renal insufficiency) OR creatinine) OR eGFR)) AND ("last 5 years"[PDat] AND Humans[Mesh] AND English[lang]) – leiti 135 vastet, millest valiti tõendusmaterjaliks 6 artiklit.

13.09.15. (((((dose[Text Word]) OR dosing[Text Word])) AND (((aminoglycosides[MeSH Terms]) OR gentamicin[MeSH Terms]) OR gentamycin[MeSH Terms]) OR amikacin[MeSH Terms]) OR streptomycin[MeSH Terms]))) OR (((((((creatinine[MeSH Terms]) OR renal insufficiency[MeSH Terms]) OR kidney function[Text Word]) OR glomerular filtration rate[MeSH Terms]) OR GFR[Text Word]) OR renal function[Text Word])) AND (((((aminoglycosides[MeSH Terms]) OR gentamicin[MeSH Terms]) OR gentamycin[MeSH Terms]) OR amikacin[MeSH Terms]) OR streptomycin[MeSH Terms])) AND ((Meta-Analysis[ptyp] OR Randomized Controlled Trial[ptyp] OR Review[ptyp] OR systematic[sb]) AND "last 5 years"[PDat] AND Humans[Mesh]) – leiti 399 vastet, millest tõendusmaterjaliks valiti 4 artiklit

12.09.2015. (dosing[All Fields] AND ("allopurinol"[MeSH Terms] OR "allopurinol"[All Fields])) OR (((((kidney function[Text Word] OR renal function[Text Word]) OR renal insufficiency[Text Word]) OR creatinine[Text Word]) OR GFR[Text Word]) OR glomerular filtration rate[Text Word])) AND ("allopurinol"[MeSH Terms] OR "allopurinol"[All Fields])) AND ("2010/09/14"[PDat] : "2015/09/12"[PDat] AND "humans"[MeSH Terms]) – leiti 172 vastet, millest tõendusmaterjaliks valiti 3 artiklit.

Ravijuhendid

Kidney Disease: Improving Global Outcomes (KDIGO) CKD Work Group. KDIGO 2012 Clinical Practice Guideline for the Evaluation and Management of Chronic Kidney Disease (Kidney inter., Suppl. 2013; 3: 1-150)

NOMENCLATURE AND DESCRIPTION FOR RATING GUIDELINE RECOMMENDATIONS

Within each recommendation, the strength of recommendation is indicated as **Level 1**, **Level 2**, or **Not Graded**, and the quality of the supporting evidence is shown as **A**, **B**, **C**, or **D**.

Grade*	Implications		
	Patients	Clinicians	Policy
Level 1 'We recommend'	Most people in your situation would want the recommended course of action and only a small proportion would not.	Most patients should receive the recommended course of action.	The recommendation can be evaluated as a candidate for developing a policy or a performance measure.
Level 2 'We suggest'	The majority of people in your situation would want the recommended course of action, but many would not.	Different choices will be appropriate for different patients. Each patient needs help to arrive at a management decision consistent with her or his values and preferences.	The recommendation is likely to require substantial debate and involvement of stakeholders before policy can be determined.

*The additional category 'Not Graded' was used, typically, to provide guidance based on common sense or where the topic does not allow adequate application of evidence. The most common examples include recommendations regarding monitoring intervals, counseling, and referral to other clinical specialists. The ungraded recommendations are generally written as simple declarative statements, but are not meant to be interpreted as being stronger recommendations than Level 1 or 2 recommendations.

Grade	Quality of evidence	Meaning
A	High	We are confident that the true effect lies close to that of the estimate of the effect.
B	Moderate	The true effect is likely to be close to the estimate of the effect, but there is a possibility that it is substantially different.
C	Low	The true effect may be substantially different from the estimate of the effect.
D	Very low	The estimate of effect is very uncertain, and often will be far from the truth.

Ravijuhend annab soovitusti erinevate ravimite dooside korrigeerimiseks vastavalt neerufunktsioonile eesmärgiga vähendada ägeda neerukahjustuse ja KNH progresseerumise riski. Soovitused on koostatud pigem lähtuvalt farmakoloogia ja ravimite farmakokineetika alastest teadmistest kui randomiseeritud kontrollitud uuringutest.

Ravijuhendis soovitatakse arvestada ravimite manustamisel neerufunktsiooni, GFR-i täpsemaks määramiseks kaaluda tsüstatiin C-1 põhinevaid meetodeid või otsetest GFR-i mõõtmist. Samuti soovitatakse teatud potentsiaalslt nefrotoksliste ravimite manustamise ajutist katkestamist kaasava ägeda haigusega KNH patsiendil, eriti võimaliku dehüdreerumise korral (oksendamine, kõhulahtisus).

Ravijuhendis on põegusalt mainitud digoksiini ja aminoglükosiidide kasutamist KNH patsientidel. Allopurinoli annustamist KNH patsientidel antud ravijuhend ei käsitele.

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4.4.1: We recommend that prescribers should take GFR into account when drug dosing. (1A)

4.4.2: Where precision is required for dosing (due to narrow therapeutic or toxic range) and/or estimates may be unreliable (e.g., due to low muscle mass), we recommend methods based upon cystatin C or direct measurement of GFR. (1C)

4.4.3: We recommend temporary discontinuation of potentially nephrotoxic and renally excreted drugs in people with a GFR <60 ml/min/1.73 m² (GFR categories G3a-G5) who have serious intercurrent illness that increases the risk of AKI. These agents include, but are not limited to: RAAS blockers (including ACE-Is, ARBs, aldosterone inhibitors, direct renin inhibitors), diuretics, NSAIDs, metformin, lithium, and digoxin. (1C)

4.4.7: We recommend that all people taking potentially nephrotoxic agents such as lithium and calcineurin inhibitors should have their GFR, electrolytes and drug levels regularly monitored. (1A)

Ravijuhendi soovitus **digoksiini** manustamise osas KNH patsientidel: **neerufunktsiooni langusega haigetel (GFR <60 ml/min/1.73m²) tuleks kaasuda ägeda haigestumise korral digoksiini manustamine ajutiselt katkestada. Digoksiini doosi on vajalik korrigeerida vastavalt plasmakontsentratsioonile.**

Aminoglükosiidide annustamise kohta on soovitused toodud ravijuhendi *tabelis 32:*

- Reduce dose and/or increase dosage interval when GFR <60 ml/min/1.73 m²
- Monitor serum levels (trough and peak)
- Avoid concomitant ototoxic agents such as furosemide

Süsteematiilised ülevaated

DIGOKSIIN

Digoksiini doseerimist vastavalt neerufunktsioonile on laiemalt käsitletud kuues leitud artiklis. Antud küsimuse töenduspõhisus on võrdlemisi madal – leitud artilkitest ühe puhul on tegemist süsteematiilise kirjanduse ülevaatega, enamik ülejäänutest on väikese valimiga kohortuuringud digoksiini doseerimist hõlbustavate valemite kohta. Uuringute puuduseks on raske neerupuudulikkusega patsientide väljajätmise uuringugrupist. Suuri randomiseeritud uuringuid hindamaks digoksiini annustamist vastavalt neerufunktsioonile ei ole viimase viie aasta jooksul läbi viidud.

Leitud artiklitest selgub, et digoksiini kasutamist piiravad kitsas terapeutiline indeks ja keerukas farmakokineetika, sealjuures suur individuaalne varieeruvus. **Eelkõige on digoksiini toksiliste toimete risk suurem vanemaalistel, neerufunktsiooni langusega ja polüfarmakoterapiat saavatel patsientidel. Toksiliste toimete vältimiseks on oluline regulaarne ravimi kontsentraatsiooni määramine verest, samas ei ole artiklites antud juhiseid digoksiini kontsentraatsiooni monitoorimise sageduse kohta. Digoksiini eesmärkväärtused soovitatakse hoida pigem madalad, erinevates uuringutes 0,4 – 1 ng/ml. Digoksiini annustamise hõlbustumiseks tavapopulatsioonil välja töötatud valemid ei sobi kohandamiseks neerupuudulikkusega patsientidele.**

Süsteematiiline kirjanduse ülevaade südamepuudulikkuse ravivõimalustest kroonilise neeruhaigusega patsientidel.

- Kaasati 102 uuringut, otsitavate uuringute disaini osas kitsendusi ei olnud.
- The use of digoxin has very limited indications and requires great prudence in patients with HF and CKD. The administration of this drug may be considered in selected cases with poorly controlled symptoms of HF or with high-ventricular rate atrial fibrillation, in the presence of optimal-dose therapy with diuretics, RAAS inhibitors, and beta-blockers. **Monitoring of serum digoxin concentration is required, with a target of 0.5 to 0.9 ng/mL; this is usually achieved by administering the drug at very low doses (e.g., 0.125mg every other day when GFR is 30 to 60 mL/min and less frequently in patients with more severe renal dysfunction).**

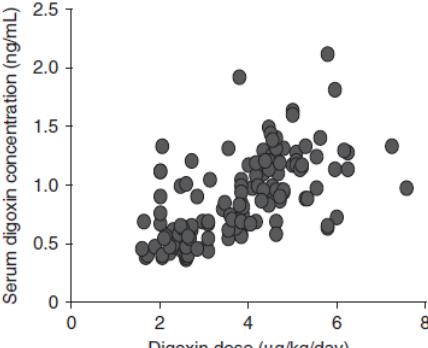
Heart failure in patients with chronic kidney disease: a systematic integrative review.
Segall L, Nistor I, Covic A.
Biomed Res Int. 2014;2014:937398.

Ülevaateartikkel, kus kolme randomiseeritud kontrollitud uuringu alusel (PROVED, RADIANCE, DIMT) käsitleti digoksiini kasutamist vähenenud EF-ga kroonilise südamepuudulikkusega haigetel, juhtides

A perspective on re-evaluating digoxin's role in

<p>tähelepanu optimaalsele ohutule ja efektiivsele seerumkontesntratsioonidele.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Experimental and clinical results suggest that optimizing therapeutic benefit and avoiding harm means dosing to achieve low serum digoxin concentrations (0.5–0.9 ng/mL). - Several groups have reported results that consistently show an association between low serum concentrations (generally 0.5–0.9 ng/mL) and reduced risk of all-cause mortality, cause-specific mortality, all-cause hospitalization, and cause-specific hospitalization when compared to placebo, whereas safety concerns emerge at higher serum concentrations (above 1.0 or 1.2 ng/mL). - Increasing digoxin concentration (above 1.0 ng/mL) produces a greater positive inotropic response, but the effective range is narrow and there is no convincing evidence of greater clinical benefit. - In patients with normal renal function, steady state would be expected to occur at approximately 7–10 days after initiation. Because the elimination half-life of digoxin is prolonged in patients with impaired renal function, the time to reach steady state is delayed and may not occur until 3–4 weeks after initiation. Even with the low doses suggested, in such patients, it may be a conservative and reasonable approach to obtain both an early serum concentration (~7–10 days) and a concentration at presumed steady state (3–4 weeks). 	<p>the current management of patients with chronic systolic heart failure: targeting serum concentration to reduce hospitalization and improve safety profile Adams KF Jr et al. Eur J Heart Fail. 2014 May;16(5):483-93.</p>
<p>Retrospektiivne kohortuuring, mis uurib korrelatsiooni <i>Konichi valemi</i> järgi ennustatava ja tegeliku mõõdetava digoksiini seerumkontsentratsiooni (SDC) vahel hiinlastel ning vaatleb neerufunktsiooni mõju digoksiini seerumokntsentratsioonile.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Soovituslik hoida südamepuudulikkusega patsientidel digoksiini kontsentratsioon 0.4–1.0 ng/mL ja tähhüärütmia korral 0.8–2.0 ng/mL. - Konishi formulated an equation to determine the daily dose of digoxin based only on creatinine clearance rate (Ccr) and SDC $L \text{ (ng/mL)} = D \text{ (\mu g/day)} / [2.22 * Ccr + 25.7]$ L - serum digoxin concentration D - the dose of digoxin - 72 patsienti südamepuudulikkuse või kodade tähhüärütmiga, keskmne vanus 71.5 ± 13.0 aastat, kesmine eGFR 49.5 ± 31.1 mL/min/1,73m², vaatlusperiood 2 aastat - Uuritavad jaotati vastavalt KNH staadiumidele eGFR-i järgi viide gruppi. - Kõigi uuritavate grupis esines ennustatava ja tegeliku digoksiini seerumkontsentratsiooni vahel tugev korrelatsioon ($r=0.655$, $P<0.001$), KNH erinevates staadiumides vastav korrelatsioon puudus (v.a. 3. staadium; eGFR 30 – 60 ml/min/1,73 m²). - Digoksiini kontsentratsioon oli terapeutilises vahemikus 77.8% patsientidest, toksilistes väärustest kontsentratsioon esines raskema neerupuudulikkusega patsientidel. 	<p>Efficiency of individual dosage of digoxin with calculated concentration. Zhao L. et al. Clin Interv Aging. 2014 Jul 22;9:1205-10.</p>

 Figure 1 Differences in SDC in patients with different levels of renal function. Note: *Represents a mild outlier and *an extreme outlier. Abbreviation: SDC, serum digoxin concentration.	 Figure 2 Correlation between clearance of digoxin and Ccr rate in all patients. Abbreviations: Ccr, creatinine clearance rate; d, day.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The 2013 American College of Cardiology Foundation/American Heart Association guidelines recommend using a lower digoxin dosage of 0.125 mg daily or 0.125 mg every other day in patients older than 70 years or with impaired renal function. <p>The results of this study indicate that clearance of digoxin and the creatinine clearance rate cannot be explained by renal function alone and that the validity of the Konishi equation for individualizing the digoxin dosage in Chinese patients is limited, being applicable only in stage 3 renal disease.</p> <p>Retrospektiivne kohortuuring, populatsioonipõhine farmakokineetika analüüs. Uuriti digoksiini farmakokineetikat hiina vanuritel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 142 uuritavat vanuses 65 – 82 a (keskmise vanus 75,5 a.), seerumi kreatiniini 105 ± 43.1 (41–287.8) $\mu\text{mol/l}$. - Digoksiini manustati p.o. 0.0625 - 0.25 mg 1 - 2 korda päevas vähemalt 2 nädala jooksul ja saadud andmete põhjal konstrueeriti mudel digoksiini doseerimiseks. - Leiti, et digoksiini kliirens väheneb neerufunktsiooni languse, suurema kehakaalu, kaltsiumkanali blokaatorite või spironolaktooni koosmanustamise ning kongestiviise südamepuudulikkuse korral. - Uuring näitab, et digoksiini intoksikatsiooni risk on suurim neerufunktsiooni langusega patsientide seas. - Autorid soovitavad neerufunktsiooni langusega patsientidel piirduda digoksiini manustamisel 0,125mg päevas, vajadusel vähendada annuseid veelgi. 	<p>Population pharmacokinetics of digoxin in elderly patients. Chen R. et. al Eur J Drug Metab Pharmacokinet. 2013 Jun;38(2):115-21.</p>
<p>Retrospektiivne kohortuuring, populatsioonipõhine farmakonineetika analüüs. Uuriti digoksiini farmakokineerikat jaapani vanuritel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 94 uuritavat, keskmise vanus 73.7 aastat, kreatiniini mediaan 76 (40,6 – 157,4) $\mu\text{mol/l}$ - Digoksiini manustati 0,125 – 0,25mg üks kord päevas - Leiti, et dikoksiini kliirens sõltub kehakaalust, seerumi kreatiniini väärustusest, vanusest, südamepuudulikkuse olemasolust, kaltsiumkanalite blokaatorite manustamisest ja soost. - Digoksiini manustamisel tuleb arvestada suure patsientevahelise varieeruvusega: näiteks alltoodud graafik, kus esineb küll lineaarne seos digoksiini doosi ja seerumkontsentratsiooni vahel, kuid esineb võrdlemisi suur hajuvus. 	<p>Determination of digoxin clearance in Japanese elderly patients for optimization of drug therapy: a population pharmacokinetics analysis using nonlinear mixed-effects modelling. Yukawa M. et. al Drugs Aging.</p>

 <p>Fig. 1. Relationship between the daily dose of digoxin and serum concentration.</p>	2011 Oct 1;28(10):831-41.
<p>Prospektiivne multisentriiline uuring, mille eesmärgiks oli uurida Konishi poolt digoksiini doseerimiseks väljatöötatud valemi sobivust valgel rassil.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 40 uuritavat, kreatiniin 116 ± 38 mcmol/l, välja jäeti uuritavad, kelle eGFR oli alla $30 \text{ ml/min}/1,73 \text{ m}^2$. - Doos kalkuleeriti vastavalt Konishi valemile: $\begin{aligned} \text{Daily dosage of digoxin (ug/day)} \\ = \text{SDC (ng/ml)} \times [2.22 \times \text{Ccr (ml/min.)} + 25.7]. \end{aligned}$ <p>where SDC (<i>serum digoxin concentration</i>) is the target SDC and Ccr is the estimated clearance of creatinine as calculated with the Cockcroft–Gault equation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We found a reasonable correlation between predicted and measured SDC ($r = 0.48$; $P < 0.01$) by the Konishi equation. Excluding patients with poor adherence and relevant worsening of renal function, the measured SDC ($n = 54$ measurements) was within the pre-defined therapeutic range in 95% of the cases. The mean, maximal and minimal measured SDC were 0.69 ± 0.19, 1.00 and 0.32 ng/ml, respectively. - All patients with supratherapeutic SDC ($n = 5$) experienced a relevant worsening of the renal function during follow-up, defined as a reduction of the estimated creatinine clearance $>20\%$. 	<p>Individual dosage of digoxin in patients with heart failure.</p> <p>Mazzarelli S. et al <i>QJM.</i> 2011 Apr;104(4):309-17.</p>
<p>AMINOGLÜKOSIIDID</p> <p>Aminoglükosiidide doseerimise kohta leiti 1 randomiseeritud kontrollitud uuring ja 3 ülevaateartiklit, milles on põegusalt käsitletud ka ravi neerufunktsiooni langusega haigetel. Uuringuid aminoglükosiidide manustamise kohta KNH patsientidel viimase 5 aasta jooksul avaldatud ei ole. Üldiselt on leitud uuringute kvaliteet madal.</p> <p>Aminoglükosiidid on kitsa terapeutilise vahemiku ja potentsiaalselt nefrotoksilise toimega antibiootikumid. Aminoglükosiidide eliminatsioon toimub peaaegu täielikult neerude kaudu. Nende ravimite farmakokineetiline ja farmakodünaamiline varieeruvus inimeste vahel on suur. Ravimi annustamisel tuleks arvesse võtta patsiendi neerufunktsiooni, ravi paremaks juhtimiseks soovitatakse korrigeerida doose ravimi seerumkonsentratsiooni alusel. Spetsiaalseste ravimmonitoorimiseks mõeldud nomogammide või algoritmide kasutamine on kroonilise neeruhagusega patsientidel piiratud, kuna enamik neist ei ole valideeritud neerufunktsiooni langusega patsientidel.</p>	<p>Ülevaateartikkel aminoglükosiidide terapeutilisest monitoorimisest ning soovitused aminoglükosiidide annustamise lihtsustamiseks ülekaalulisel</p> <p>Aminoglycoside dosing in patients</p>

<p>patsiendil.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Aminoglükosiidide annustamisel tuleb arvestada mikroobi ravimtundlikkust, patsiendi kehakaalu ja neerufunktsiooni. Suure varieeruvuse tõttu on vajalik lisaks jälgida ravimi seerumkontsentratsioone. - The reported correlation between CLcr and GFR with aminoglycoside CL has an R²-value of 0.38–0.50. This implies that approximately 50% of the interindividual variability in the CL of aminoglycosides is not explained by CLcr or GFR. - Ajalooliselt kasutatakse ravimdooside korrigeerimiseks vastavalt neerufunktsioonile enim Cockcroft-Gault'i valemit. Valemi üheks sisendiks on kehamass (TBW, <i>total body weight</i>), mis ülekaalulistel suureneb keharasva arvelt - nii ülehinnatakse ülekaaluliste neerufunktsiooni, mille tulemuseks on kõrgemad aminoglükosiidide doosid ja ravimtoksilus. - Ükski eGFR-i arvutamise valem ei ole ravimmonitooringuks valideeritud ja erinevad ravimtootjad kasutavad ravimuuringutes eri valemeid. Seega peaks enne manustamist tootjainfost kontrollima, millise neerufunktsiooni määramismeetodi alusel soovitatakse ravmit doseerida. - The risk of aminoglycoside-induced acute kidney injury follows a pattern of gentamicin > tobramycin ≥ amikacin - Aminoglükosiidide dooside arvutamise valemites eeldatakse, et aminoglükosiidi CL ≈ GFR. See ei kehti aga neerukahjustusega patsientide puhul, keda ei ole üldjuhul ravimuuringutesse kaasatud. <p>Table 3 Suggested bedside calculation approach of the initial and maintenance aminoglycoside dose.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Step</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Initial dose calculation (every 24 hour administration)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;">1</td> <td>Estimate CLcr (mL/min) = $\frac{140 - \text{age (years)}}{72 \times 7\text{SCR}(\text{mg/dL})} \times \text{TBW}^*(\text{kg}) \times 0.85(\text{if female})$</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>*TBW should be replaced with ABW or LBW (do not multiply by 0.85 if female) in patients with a BMI $\geq 40 \text{ kg/m}^2$, CLcr values $\geq 150 \text{ mL/min}$ should be capped at 150 mL/min, values $< 60 \text{ mL/min}$ should trigger consideration of a traditional dosing approach</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;">2</td> <td>Aminoglycoside CL (L/h) = $0.054 \times \text{CLcr} (\text{mL/min})$</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;">3</td> <td>Initial aminoglycoside single dose = $\text{AUC}_{\text{target}} \times \text{CL} (\text{L/h})$</td> </tr> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Step</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Maintenance dose (every 24 hour administration)</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;">1</td> <td>Measure 2 serum concentrations (C_1, C_2) at 3–4 hours (T_1) and 8–12 (T_2) hours after the initial dose</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;">2</td> <td>Calculate $Ke = -\ln(C_2/C_1)/(T_2 - T_1)$</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;">3</td> <td>Calculate $C_{\text{max}} = C_1/e^{-Ke(T_{\text{max}})}$, where T_{max} is the time between T_1 and end of infusion</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;">4</td> <td>Calculate $\text{AUC}_{0-\infty} = (C_{\text{max}} \cdot t' \cdot 0.5) + C_{\text{max}}/Ke$, where t' is the infusion time in hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;">5</td> <td>Maintenance aminoglycoside dose = $(\text{initial dose}/\text{AUC}_{0-\infty}) \cdot \text{AUC}_{\text{target}}$</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>ABW = adjusted body weight (Bauer et al., 1983); LBW = lean body weight (Janmahasatian et al., 2005); $\text{AUC}_{\text{target}}$ = target area under the concentration-time curve (mg•h/L); Ke = elimination rate constant; C_{max} = maximum concentration assumed to "occur" at the end of infusion. Suggested initial $\text{AUC}_{\text{target}} = 75 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{h/L}$ (gentamicin), $150 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{h/L}$ (tobramycin), $300 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{h/L}$ (amikacin).</p>	Step	Initial dose calculation (every 24 hour administration)	1	Estimate CLcr (mL/min) = $\frac{140 - \text{age (years)}}{72 \times 7\text{SCR}(\text{mg/dL})} \times \text{TBW}^*(\text{kg}) \times 0.85(\text{if female})$		*TBW should be replaced with ABW or LBW (do not multiply by 0.85 if female) in patients with a BMI $\geq 40 \text{ kg/m}^2$, CLcr values $\geq 150 \text{ mL/min}$ should be capped at 150 mL/min, values $< 60 \text{ mL/min}$ should trigger consideration of a traditional dosing approach	2	Aminoglycoside CL (L/h) = $0.054 \times \text{CLcr} (\text{mL/min})$	3	Initial aminoglycoside single dose = $\text{AUC}_{\text{target}} \times \text{CL} (\text{L/h})$	Step	Maintenance dose (every 24 hour administration)	1	Measure 2 serum concentrations (C_1, C_2) at 3–4 hours (T_1) and 8–12 (T_2) hours after the initial dose	2	Calculate $Ke = -\ln(C_2/C_1)/(T_2 - T_1)$	3	Calculate $C_{\text{max}} = C_1/e^{-Ke(T_{\text{max}})}$, where T_{max} is the time between T_1 and end of infusion	4	Calculate $\text{AUC}_{0-\infty} = (C_{\text{max}} \cdot t' \cdot 0.5) + C_{\text{max}}/Ke$, where t' is the infusion time in hours	5	Maintenance aminoglycoside dose = $(\text{initial dose}/\text{AUC}_{0-\infty}) \cdot \text{AUC}_{\text{target}}$	<p>by kidney function and area under the curve: the Sawchuk-Zaske dosing method revisited in the era of obesity. Pai MP, Rodvold KA. Diagn Microbiol Infect Dis. 2014 Feb;78(2):178-87.</p>
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Leitud artiklites tuuakse välja, et varasemalt laialdaselt kasutusel olnud neerufunktsionile kohandatud allopurinooli doosid olid tegelikkuses tihti subterapeutilised ja ei andnud seega piisavat raviefekti. Käesolevates artiklites toodud soovituste alusel tuleks olenemata GFR-st allopurinooli doosi ülestiitrida, kuni saavutatakse kusihappe eesmärkväärtus ($<360 \text{ mcmol/l}$). Küll aga tuleb ravi alustada madalate annustega, eriti oluline on see KNH-ga patsientidel.

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- enamik võrdlemisi väikese valimiga retrospektiivsed kohortuuringud, KNH patsiendid olid enamikus uuringutes kogu kohordi üks alagrupidest
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Results

- Findings from Stamp et al in 2012, led to a recommended starting dose of 1.5 mg of allopurinol per unit of eGFR, with monthly titrations. This aligns with guidelines to limit the starting dose of allopurinol in patients with renal insufficiency.
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Providers should be aware of the potential risk of allopurinol hypersensitivity syndrome as well as the need for reducing the initiation dose and gradual titration of allopurinol to safely achieve a target serum urate level in this population. Therapy with allopurinol should be individualized for every patient with CKD treated for gout. Close monitoring of SUA levels and potential toxicity is warranted during dose titration to identify AHS early and withdraw allopurinol.

Safety and efficacy of allopurinol in chronic kidney disease.

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<p>There is no evidence to suggest that restricting daily maintenance doses of allopurinol eliminates the risk of AHS, and maximum tolerable doses of allopurinol are not established relative to differing degrees of renal impairment. The most important concept when dosing allopurinol in CKD is the “start low and go slow” approach.</p>																			
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Lisamaterjal

Töörühma soovil otsiti lisaks materjali allopurinooli annustamise kohta rahvusvahelistest podagra ravi käsitlevatest ravijuhenditest.

EULAR evidence based recommendations for gout. Part II: Management. Report of a task force of the EULAR Standing Committee for International Clinical Studies Including Therapeutics (ESCISIT).

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Table 1 Level of evidence

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| Ia | Meta-analysis of randomised controlled trials |
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8. The therapeutic goal of urate lowering therapy is to promote crystal dissolution and prevent crystal formation. This is achieved by maintaining the serum uric acid below

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/.../ the target of urate lowering treatment is best centred on an SUA level that is linked to the saturation point of monosodium urate rather than to a normal laboratory range. A level of SUA of ≤360 mcmol/l reflects a tissue level that is likely to be well below this saturation point. One cohort study has shown that maintaining the SUA below 6.2 mg/dl (370 mcmol/l) would significantly reduce tophi, whereas an SUA above 8.2 mg/dl (490 mcmol/l) did not reduce tophi. This was supported by other two cohort studies in which a linear relation was found between the level of SUA and reduction in tophi, and where depletion of urate crystals from knee synovial fluids could be achieved if the SUA was maintained below 6 mg/dl (360 mcmol/l) for at least 12 months.

In summary, the aim of urate lowering therapy is “cure” through prevention of urate crystal formation and enhancement of crystal dissolution. To achieve this aim there are clinical data to support the requirement to maintain the SUA at or below a level of 360 mcmol/l (6 mg/dl) (level III). This SUA level reflects a tissue level that is below the saturation point for monosodium urate.

9. Allopurinol is an appropriate long term urate lowering therapy. It should be started at a low dose (100 mg daily) and increased by 100 mg every two to four weeks if required. The dose must be adjusted in patients with renal impairment. If allopurinol toxicity occurs, options include other xanthine oxidase inhibitors, a uricosuric agent, or allopurinol desensitisation (the latter only in cases of mild rash).

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A reanalysis based on individual patient data from two studies showed a significant dose-response relation between allopurinol and SUA in which every 100 mg increment of allopurinol reduced SUA by approximately 1 mg/dl (60 mcmol/l). **There is general support for the “go low, go slow” strategy of starting allopurinol at 100 mg daily and increasing by 100 mg increments every few weeks until the therapeutic SUA target is achieved.** Compared with giving only a fixed dose of 300 mg (a very common practice throughout Europe), the possible benefits of slowly titrating up the doose include the following: reduced likelihood of provocation of acute attacks; reduced incidence of toxicity; tailoring of the dose to suit individual requirements; and emphasis on the importance of a sufficiently low target SUA.

One single blind, placebo controlled trial compared renal function (serum creatinine and creatinine clearance) in subjects with hyperuricaemia who received either allopurinol or placebo. After 2.5 years of treatment the trial overall found no significant increase of serum creatinine or decrease of creatinine clearance compared with placebo, but there was a reduction in creatinine clearance with allopurinol in hypertensive patients with glomerular filtration rates above 80 ml/min ($p<0.02$). Unfortunately the trial did not report details of allopurinol dosage and the optimal doses of allopurinol in patients with varying renal function remains unknown, though the principle of using lower (especially starting) doses of allopurinol in patients with impaired renal function is generally accepted.

One retrospective cohort study (n=120) compared the risk of adverse drug reactions between patients whose allopurinol maintenance dose matched the recommended dose according to their creatinine clearance rate (n=52) and patients whose maintenance dose exceeded the recommended doose (n=68). The risk of rash, AHS, fixed pigmented drug eruption, or leucocytoclastic vasculitis was similar between the two groups (RR=1.96 (95% CI, 0.34 to 11.92)).

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Although not formally studied, the strategy of giving a starting dose of 100 mg daily (especially in those with renal impairment), with further 100 mg increments until the target level of SUA is achieved, is favoured over a fixed dose strategy (level IV).

2012 American College of Rheumatology Guidelines for Management of Gout Part I: Systematic Non-pharmacologic and Pharmacologic Therapeutic Approaches to Hyperuricemia

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Core recommendations for pharmacologic ULT, including the serum urate target

The TFP (task force panel) recommended gout with CKD stage 2–5, or end stage renal disease (ESRD), as an appropriate indication, by itself, for pharmacologic ULT (Evidence C) in patients with prior gout attacks and current hyperuricemia.

The TFP recommended that the goal of ULT is to achieve a serum urate target, at a minimum, of < 6 mg/dL in all gout case scenarios (Evidence A).

Recommendations specific to allopurinol dosing and pharmacogenetics

TFP recommended that the starting dose of allopurinol be no greater than 100 mg per day (Evidence B), consistent with prior FDA and EULAR guidelines. The rationale of the TFP was partly that a low allopurinol starting dose could reduce early gout flares after ULT initiation, and partly as a component of risk management with respect to the potential for severe hypersensitivity reaction to allopurinol.

TFP recommended gradual upward titration of the allopurinol maintenance dose every 2–5 weeks to an appropriate maximum dose for gout, in order to treat to the serum urate target appropriate for the individual patient (Evidence C). The TFP weighed robust evidence that allopurinol monotherapy at doses of 300 mg daily or less failed to achieve the serum urate target of <6 mg/dL , or < 5 mg/dL in more than half of subjects with gout. The TFP reviewed small studies in which the allopurinol dose was titrated above 300 mg daily in gout with overall success in achieving the serum urate target. Importantly, in doing so, **the TFP also recommended that the maintenance dose of allopurinol can be raised above 300 mg per day, even in those with renal impairment**, provided there is adequate patient education and regular monitoring for drug hypersensitivity and other adverse events, such as pruritis, rash, and elevated hepatic transaminases, as well as attention to potential development of eosinophilia (Evidence B).

In their evaluation of the allopurinol starting dose as a component of risk management strategy, the TFP first weighed evidence that the highest risk of severe allopurinol hypersensitivity reaction is in the first few months of therapy. A recent case-controlled retrospective analysis of AHS and allopurinol starting dose further buttressed the aforementioned recommendation by the TFP of a **starting dose of allopurinol of no more than 100 mg daily, and the TFP recommendation of an even lower starting dose of allopurinol (50 mg daily) in stage 4 or worse CKD (Evidence B)**.

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Core recommendations in use of allopurinol and uricosuric ULT in gout

A. ALLOPURINOL:

- Starting dose should be no greater than 100 mg/day for any patient, and start at 50 mg/day in stage 4 or worse CKD (Evidence B)
- Gradually titrate maintenance dose upwards every 2–5 weeks to appropriate maximum dose, in order to treat to chosen SUA target (Evidence C)
- Dose can be raised above 300 mg daily, even with renal impairment, as long as this is accompanied by adequate patient education and monitoring for drug toxicity (eg, pruritis, rash, elevated hepatic transaminases) (Evidence B)
- Prior to initiation, consider HLA-B*5801 in selected patients, specifically in higher risk sub-populations for severe allopurinol hypersensitivity reaction (eg, Koreans with stage 3 or worse CKD; Han Chinese and Thai irrespective of renal function) (Evidence A)