

ONCO-NEPHROLOGY

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INTRODUCTION



- Kidney disease and cancer have a multifaceted association
- Persons with chronic kidney disease (CKD) have an increased incidence of cancer relative to patients without CKD
- Both cancer and cancer treatments can cause impaired kidney function, including acute kidney injury (AKI) or CKD

INTRODUCTION

- CKD is highly prevalent in cancer patients
- Certain cancers, such as RCC and bladder cancer have a higher prevalence of CKD than others
- It is critical for nephrologists to be knowledgeable of cancer biology and therapy in order to be fully integrated in the multidisciplinary team and optimally manage patients with cancer and kidney diseases

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Figure 1 | The kidney disease-cancer connection. AKI, acute kidney injury; CKD, chronic kidney disease; ESRD, end-stage renal disorder.



ASSESSMENT OF KIDNEY FUNCTION

• CKD-EPI equation is the current best approach

for dosing chemotherapeutic agents in patients

with CKD



CANCER IN SOLID ORGAN TRANSPLANT

- Immunosuppressive drugs may have direct
 - effects on the development of particular types of

cancer

GLOMERULAR DISEASES ASSOCIATED WITH CANCER

- Membranous nephropathy is the most frequent cancer-associated glomerulonephritis
- Minimal change disease and focal segmental glomerulosclerosis are also associated with solid tumors
- RPGN can develop in patients with RCC, gastric cancer, and lung cancer



NEPHROTOXICITY FROM CHEMOTHERAPY

Patient's Risk factors :

- Patient's age
- Intravascular volume depletion
- Presence of underlying AKI or CKD



NEPHROTOXICITY FROM CHEMOTHERAPY

kidney manifestation:

- Acute interstitial nephritis
- Focal segmental glomerulosclerosis
- Hypertension
- Various electrolyte disorders
- Capillary leak syndrome
- Thrombotic microangiopathy (TMA)



ELECTROLYTE DISORDERS IN PATIENTS WITH CANCER

- Hyponatremia
- Hypernatremia
- Hypercalcemia
- o Hypokalemia
- Hyperkalemia
- Hypophosphatemia
- Hypomagnesemia

Hyponatremia

- Hyponatremia is the most common electrolyte disorder encountered in patients with cancer
- Hyponatremia is associated with increased

mortality and poor response to therapy

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Hyponatremia

o Treatment

- Asymptomatic:
 - fluid restriction
 - tolvaptan 15 mg/day (contraindicated in volume depletion and anuria)
- Symptomatic:

100–150 mL or 2 mL/kg hypertonic saline (NaCl 3%) i.v.
 15–20 min for increasing serum sodium by 4–6 mEq/L
 within 1 h (max 3 times); them 8–12 mEq/L in 24 h



Hypercalcemia

- Malignancy-associated hypercalcemia occurs in up to 10% of all patients with advanced cancer and generally conveys a poor prognosis
- The clinical features of hypercalcemia include nausea, vomiting, lethargy, renal failure and coma

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Hypercalcemia

Treatment

- Volume expansion with isotonic saline (100–150 mL/h to ensure a urine output of 100 mL/h)
- Furosemide is not recommended
- Calcitonin 4-8 IU/kg s.c. every 6–12 h
- Pamidronate 60–90 mg i.v. over 2–6 h min)
- Zoledronate 4 mg i.v. over 15–30 min
- Corticosteroids
- Denosumab 120 mg s.c. weekly for 4 weeks and monthly
- Hemodialysis

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TUMOR LYSIS SYNDROME

• Tumor lysis syndrome (TLS) is an oncological emergency characterized by a metabolic complication due to massive tumor cell lysis with release of large amounts of potassium,

phosphate, and nucleic acids

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TUMOR LYSIS SYNDROME

Prevention

- i.v. hydration (2–3 L/m2/per day)
- Diuretics use is contraindicated in patients with
- hypovolemia or obstructive uropathy
- Urinary alkalinization is indicated only in patients
 with metabolic acidosis



TUMOR LYSIS SYNDROME

Treatment

- Hypouricemic agents
 - Allopurinol
 - Rasburicase
 - Febuxostat
- Electrolyte abnormalities
 - Hyperkalemia
 - Hyperphophoremia
 - Asymptomatic hypocalcemia should not be treated

• Symptomatic hypocalcemia

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ANTICANCER DRUG-RELATED NEPHROPATHIES

- Chemotherapeutic Agents
- Targeted Therapies
 - Anti-Angiogenic Agents
 - Immunotherapy
 - Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors



	Targeted therapies	Targeted therapies	Immune checkpo inhibitors
	anti-VEGF, anti TKIs	BRAF, MEK, EGFR and ALK inhibitors	anti-PD1-PDL1/ar CTLA-4 or associa of them
Proteinuria	x	x	
Arterial hypertension	x		
Acute kidney injury	x	x	x
Electrolyte disturbances		х	
Thrombotic microangiopathy	x		
Focal segmental glomerulosclerosis	x		x
Minimal change disease	x		x
Collapsing glomerulopathy	х		
Membranous nephropathy	х		х
Lupus-like nephritis			х
Pauci-immune glomerulonephritis	х		х
IgA nephropathy	х		х
Acute interstitial nephritis – acute tubular necrosis		x	x

- A 69-year-old Chinese male was hospitalized due to the symptom of edema for 3 months in November 2018
- Gross hematuria, 20 years' previous history of hypertension and no back pain
- blood pressure = 155/91 mmHg
- Laboratory examination:
 - Albumin: 22g/L
 - Triglyceride: 1.85 mmol/L
 - Creatinine: 66 µmol/L
 - GFR:35





- The total urine protein level was 24.8 g/24 h
- An abdominal enhanced computed tomography

scan showed a $3.2 \text{ cm} \times 2.7 \text{ cm}$ mass in the right

lower kidney



- hormone therapy for nephrotic syndrome is a contraindication for cancer patients, it can lead to further tumor growth
- Therefore, it is impossible to treat nephrotic syndrome first
- At the same time, the patient's glomerular filtration rate is low, which signifies if radical nephrectomy is performed, renal insufficiency may occur after surgery great possibility
- Thus, after the discussion of the department, laparoscopic partial nephrectomy is performed

- The size of the right renal mass was 3.0 cm × 2.8 cm × 2.5 cm
- Microscopically conforming to renal clear cell carcinoma, and locally invading the capsule, which did not break through
- To determine the etiology of nephrotic syndrome, a small amount of normal renal tissue specimens were taken

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During 1 year of follow-up, the patient did not get any medication for nephrotic syndrome

- The lower extremity edema disappeared
- Serum albumin : 31.6 g/L
- 24-hour urine protein : 3.8 g/24 h

We believe that the patient's glomerular damage has been completely improved with the resection of the primary tumor



- MN is most closely related to solid malignant tumors in glomerular diseases
- Lung cancer, gastric cancer, and prostate cancer are the most commonly reported tumor types, while renal cancer is rare
- After successful treatment, renal function tests, urine analysis and urine protein should be followed up for a long time
- Any recurrence of glomerular lesions may indicate the cancer recurrence

- A 49-year-old male patient was admitted to the Department of Nephrology with oedema, hypoproteinaemia and proteinuria during the previous 15 days
- At 1 month before admission, he had a cough and blood in the sputum
- CT imaging showed a 53 mm38 mm tumour in the upper left lobe
- Albumin : 40.2 g/l
- His renal function was normal and he had no history of urinalysis abnormalities or kidney dysfunction



- The patient immediately underwent wedge resection and lymph node dissection and biopsies revealed lung adenocarcinoma with T2N1M0
- After that urine analysis showed microscopic haematuria and proteinuria
- The 24-h urine analysis revealed proteinuria of 19.38 g/day
- Serum albumin was 31.5 g/l



- Two weeks following the first cycle of chemotherapy, the proteinuria had reduced to 5.62 g/day
- Urine analysis showed microscopic haematuria and proteinuria
- Serum albumin level was 28.6 g/l
- Multi-deformation of RBCs accounted for 80%











- After the patient completed the second and third cycles of chemotherapy
- Proteinuria decreased to 1.02 g/day
- The symptoms of edema were improved during chemotherapy
- After four cycles of chemotherapy, the urine protein levels returned to normal and the lower limb edema had resolved, suggesting complete remission



