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MICROALBUMINURIA COME MARCATORE DI RISCHIO CARDIOVASCOLARE

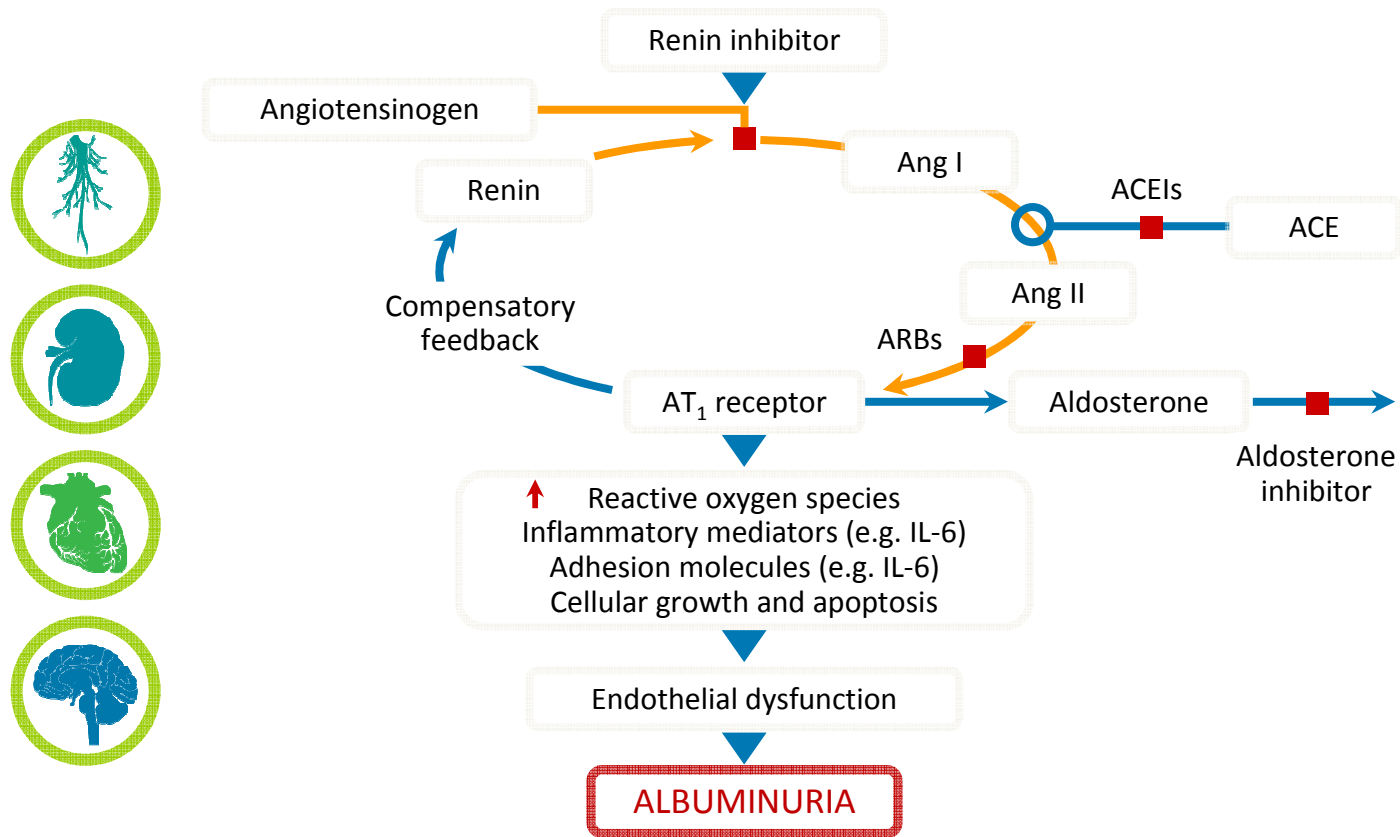
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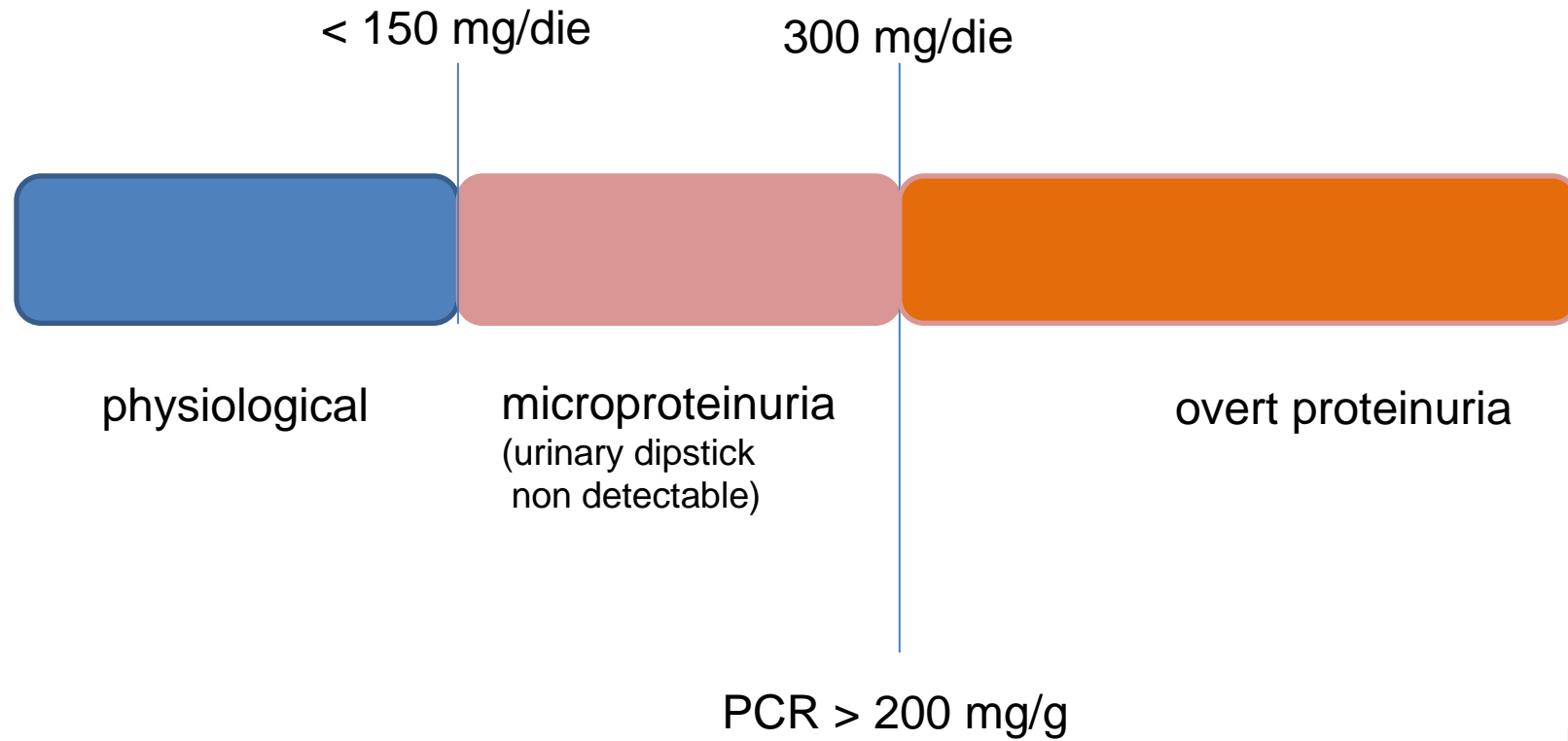
- Evidence points to a major role for the RAAS in pathophysiological changes that lead to progressive renal and cardiovascular disease



Albuminuria

	24-H Urine Albumin (mg/24 h)	Overnight Urine Albumin (μ g/min)	Albumin (mg/L)	Spot Urine		
				Albumin/Creatinine Ratio		
				Gender	mg/mmol	mg/g
Normal	<15	<10	<10	M	<1.25	<10
				F	<1.75	<15
High normal	15 to <30	10 to <20	10 to <20	M	1.25 to <2.5	10 to <20
				F	1.75 to <3.5	15 to <30
Microalbuminuria	30 to <300	20 to <200	20 to <200	M	2.5 to <25	20 to <200
				F	3.5 to <35	30 to <300
Macroalbuminuria	>300	>200	>200	M	>25	>200
				F	>35	>300

Urinary PROTEIN excretion



Quando ricercare albuminuria e proteinuria?

- L'escrezione urinaria di albumina e di proteine deve essere quantificata, sia nei diabetici che nei non diabetici, **quando eGFR < 60 mL/min/1.73 m²**; il primo risultato anomalo dev'essere confermato con un campione mattutino
- Stesso atteggiamento nei confronti dei soggetti con **eGFR > 60 mL/min/1.73 m²** ma per i quali si ha sospetto di nefropatia cronica

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- Fragilità e cognitive impairment

Stages of Chronic Kidney Disease

Stage	Description	GFR (mL/min/1.73 m ²)
1	Kidney damage with normal or ↑ GFR	≥90
2	Kidney damage with mild ↓ GFR	60–89
3	Moderate ↓ GFR	30–59
4	Severe ↓ GFR	15–29
5	Kidney failure	<15 (or dialysis)

ACR ≥ 265 mg/g oppure PCR ≥ 442 mg/g



3a: 45 – 59 mL/min/1.73 mq
3b: 30 – 44 mL/min/1.73 mq

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STADIO 3

Incremento di rischio per eventi cardiovascolari

STADIO 3b

Incremento di mortalità generale e di mortalità per malattie cardiovascolari (eccesso di rischio)

Incremento di rischio per fragilità e declino cognitivo

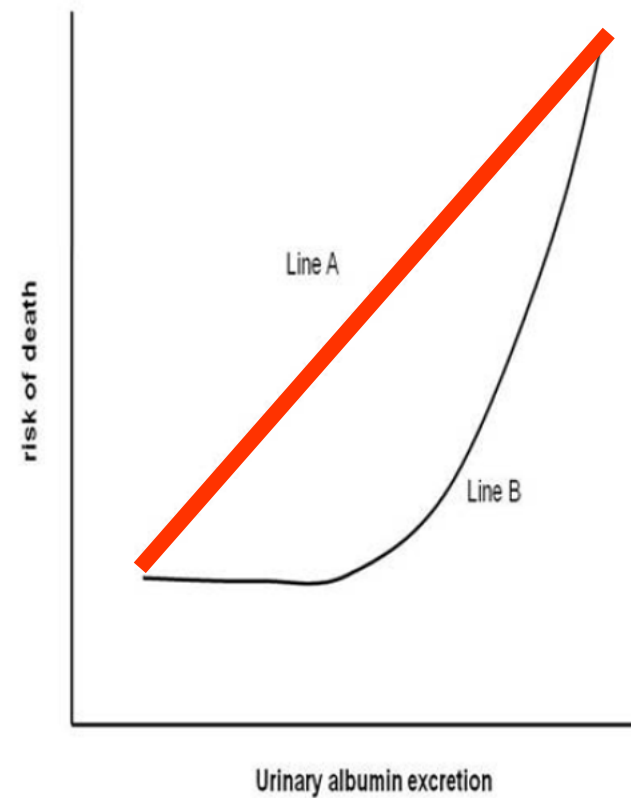
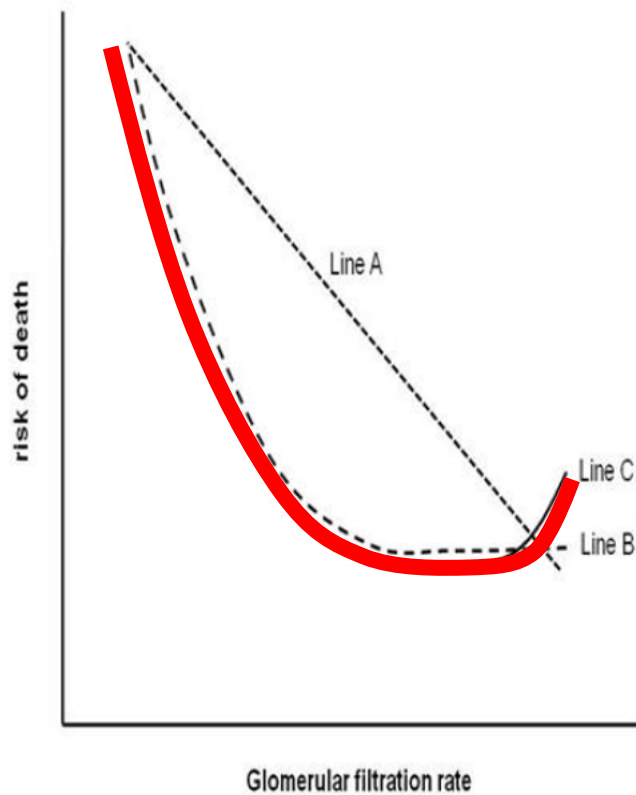
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Fattore di rischio indipendente per mortalità generale

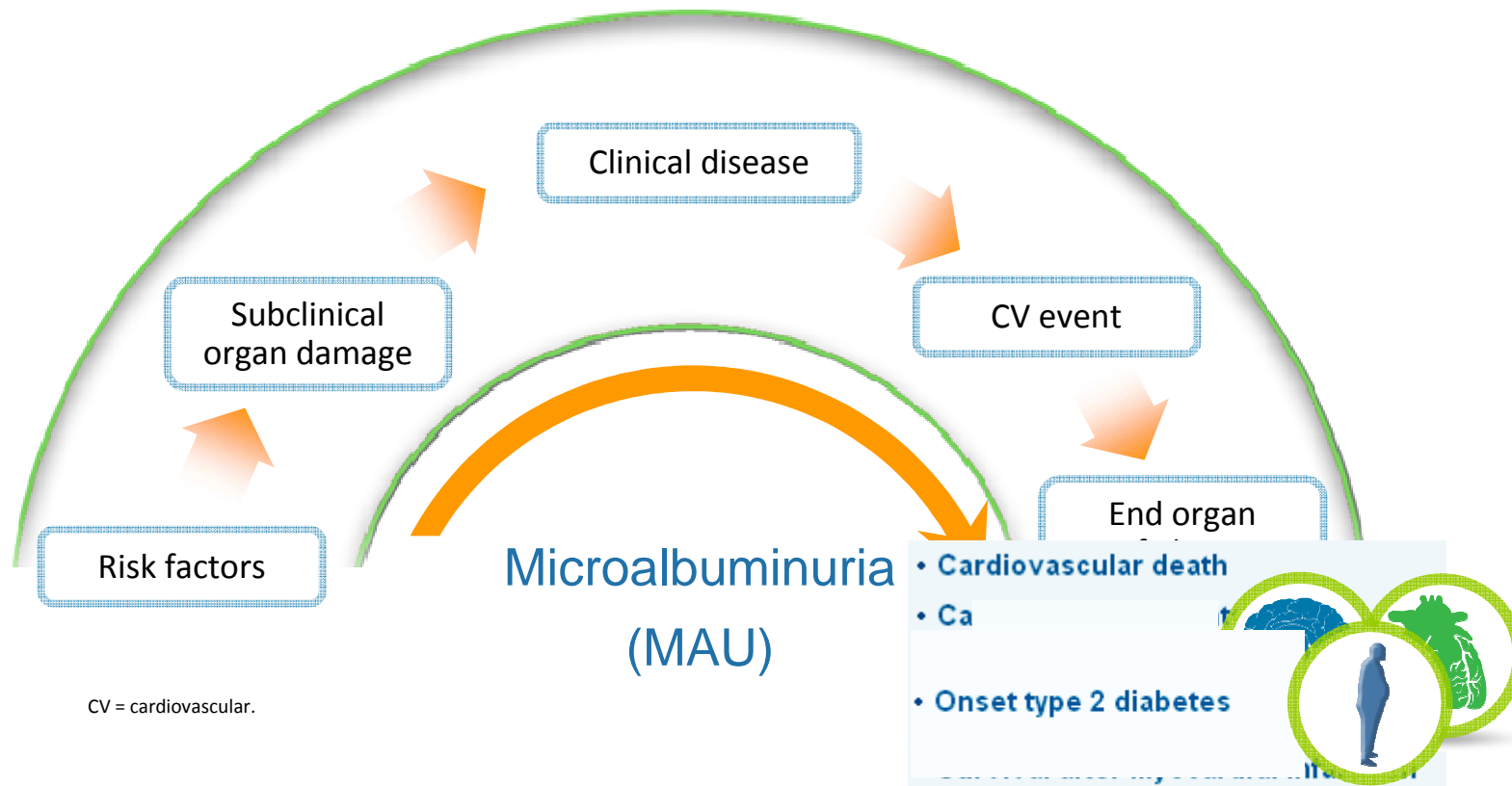
Fattore di rischio indipendente per stroke

A population-based approach for the definition of chronic kidney disease: the CKD Prognosis Consortium

Association with all-cause mortality of GFR and UAE



MAU is an early, sub-clinical sign of target-organ damage and is correlated with specific cardio-renal outcomes





Key clinical studies evaluating the predictive value of MAU on CV risk

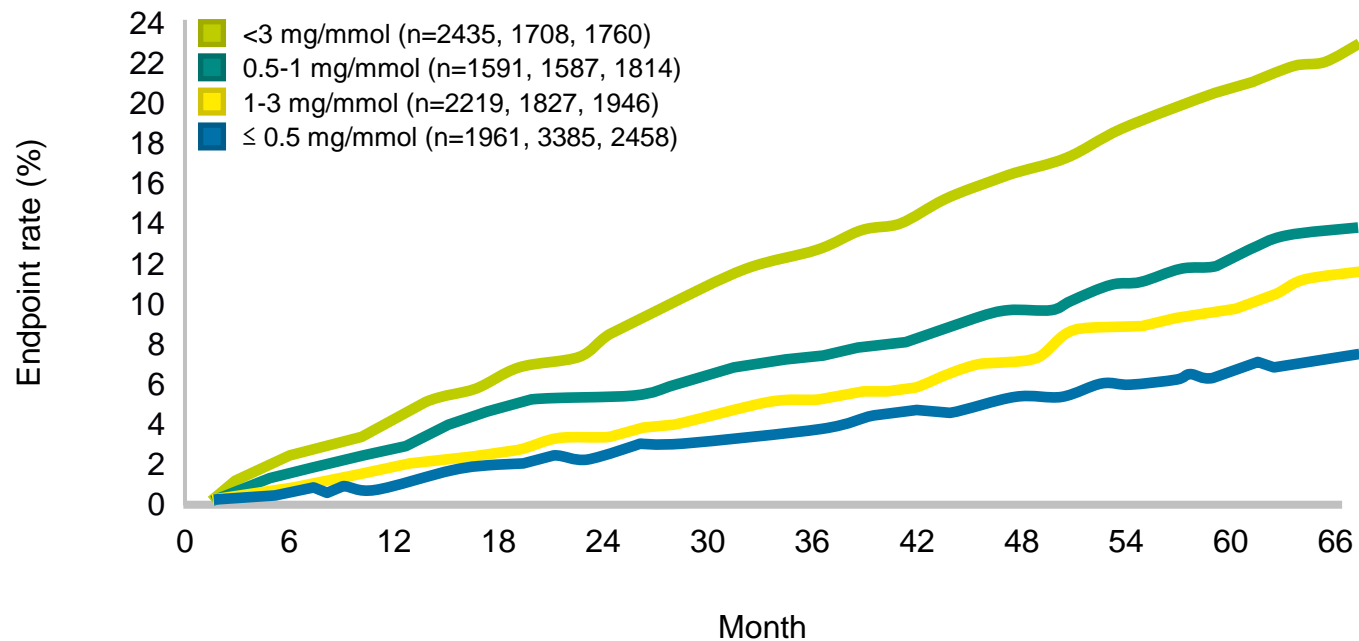
MAU as a predictor

Year	Study name	Author/s	Title	Patient #
2000	WESDM	Valmadrid CT, et al.	The risk of CV disease mortality associated with microalbuminuria and gross proteinuria in persons with older-onset diabetes mellitus.	N=840
2001	HOPE	Gerstein HC, et al.	Albuminuria and risk of CV events, death, and heart failure in diabetic and non-diabetic individuals.	N=3498
2002	PREVEND	Hillege HL, et al.	Prevention of Renal and Vascular End Stage Disease (PREVEND) Study Group. Urinary albumin excretion predicts CV and non CV mortality in the general population.	N=85,421
2003	UKPDS	Adler AI, et al.	Development and progression of nephropathy in type 2 diabetes: The UK Prospective Diabetes Study (UKPDS 64).	N=5,097
2005	LIFE	Ibsen H, et al.	Reduction in albuminuria translates to reduction in CV events in hypertensive patients: losartan intervention for endpoint reduction in hypertension study.	N=8,206
2005	Framingham Heart Study	Arnlöv J, et al.	Low-grade albuminuria and incidence of CV disease events in non-hypertensive and non-diabetic individuals.	N=1,568
2009	CHARM	Jackson CE, et al.	Albuminuria in chronic heart failure: prevalence and prognostic importance.	N=2,310
2010	MAGIC	Viazzi F, et al.	Microalbuminuria is a predictor of chronic renal insufficiency in patients without diabetes and with hypertension: the MAGIC study.	N=917
2010	ONTARGET	Schmieder R, et al.	Changes in albuminuria predict mortality and morbidity in patients with vascular disease.	N=23,480



Composite CV endpoint rates stratified baseline albuminuria measurement (UACR)

The LIFE study



Reducing UACR is associated with a reduction in CV events in patients with hypertension



The ONTARGET/TRANSCEND study programme

A) CV death

decrease >50% vs minor change

0.140

minor change

increase >100% vs minor change

<0.0001

B) Composite CV endpoint

decrease >50% vs minor change

0.032

minor change

increase >100% vs minor change

<0.0001

C) Combined renal endpoint

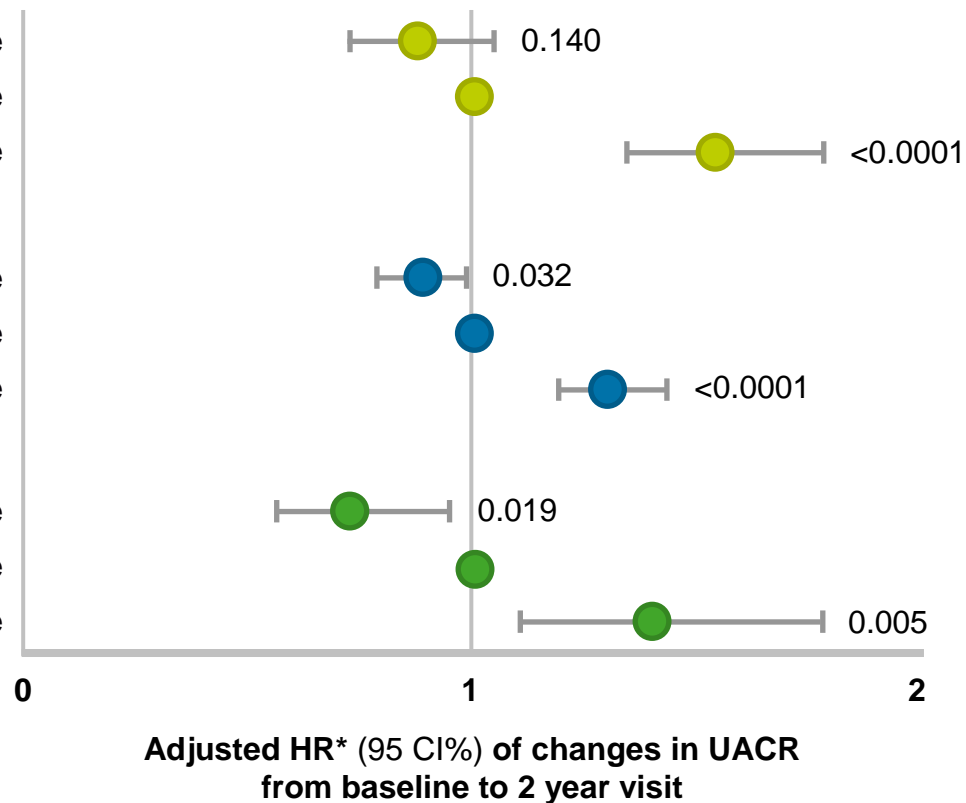
decrease >50% vs minor change

0.019

minor change

increase >100% vs minor change

0.005

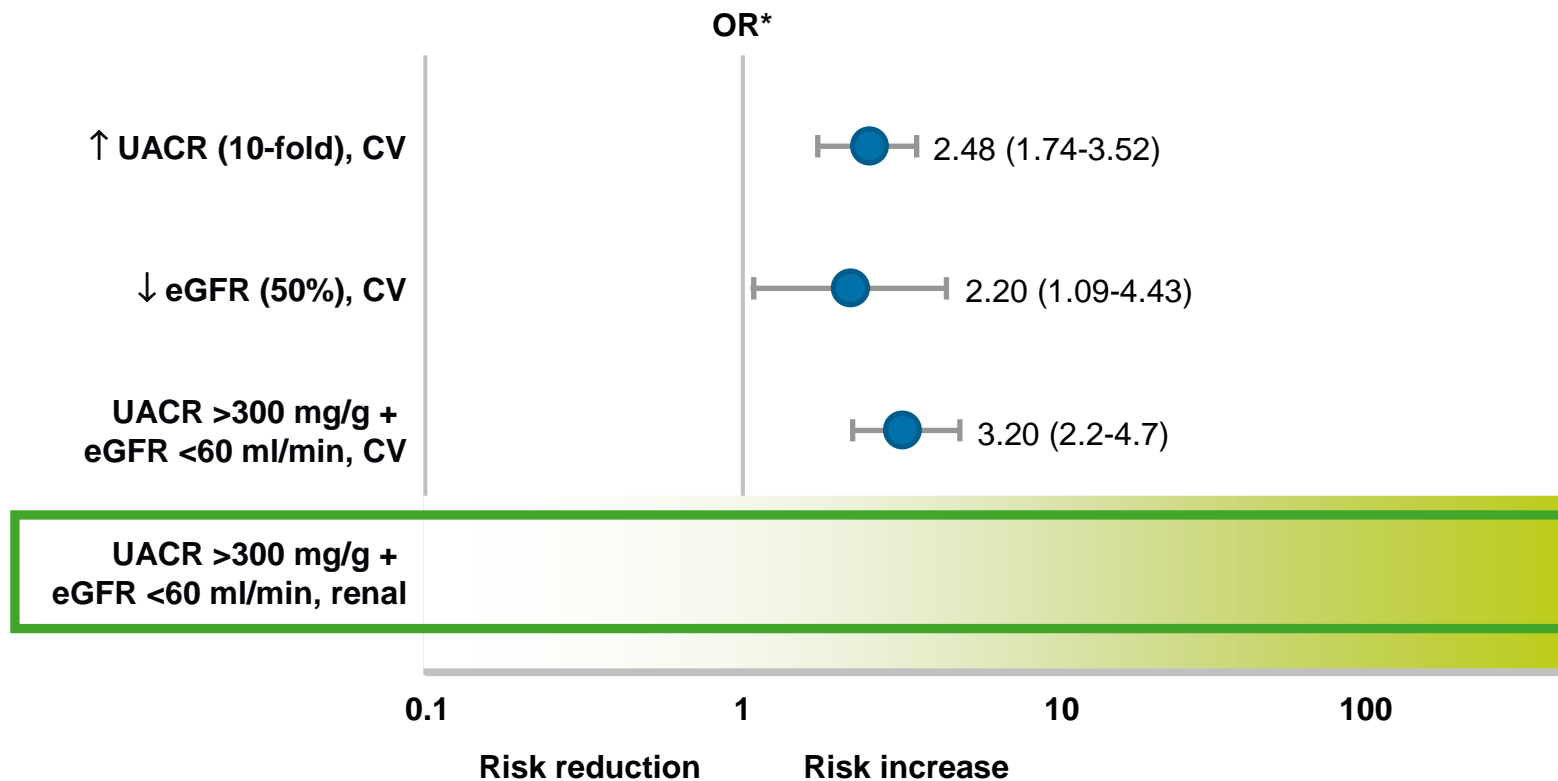


The risk of CV and renal outcomes is increased significantly if MAU is increased and is decreased if MAU is reduced



Increase in risk according to renal variables in ADVANCE

Impact of renal variables on risk of CV and renal events



* Multivariate adjusted (also for regression dilution).

CV = cardiovascular; UACR = urinary albumin:creatinine ratio; eGFR = estimated glomerular filtration rate.



Understanding the clinical and epidemiological implications of MAU

- The RAAS plays a major role in development of albuminuria
- MAU is a strong and independent risk factor for cardio-renal disease
- UACR and eGFR are multiplicatively and independently associated with mortality risk without evidence of interaction
- Albumin is a continuous predictor of mortality starting at low levels, whereas eGFR is predictive only above a certain threshold
- Reducing proteinuria/MAU leads to a decreased risk in CV and renal outcomes and all-cause mortality



When to screen? Guideline recommendations for MAU testing

Organisation	Patient Group	Frequency
ESH-ESC Guidelines 2009 Reappraisal	<p>All people with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hypertension (SBP 140 mmHg or DBP 90 mmHg)• Metabolic syndrome & high-normal BP (SBP 130–139 mmHg or DBP 80–85 mmHg)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Routine assessment at screening for CV risk and during treatment• Patient should be assessed routinely using:<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Serum creatinine– Estimated creatinine clearance– Urinalysis (complemented by MAU via dipstick test and microscopic examination)– Electrocardiogram• MAU should be examined during treatment as well as during screening

Current ESH-ESC guidelines recommend routine testing for MAU in patients with hypertension and in metabolic syndrome with high-normal BP

Availability, prognostic value and cost of some markers of organ damage (scored from 0 to 4 pluses)

Markers	CV predictive val	Availability	Cost
Electrocardiography	++	++++	+
Echocardiography	+++	+++	++
Carotid Intima-Media Thickness	+++	+++	++
Arterial stiffness (Pulse wave velocity)	+++	+	++
Ankle-Brachial index	++	++	+
Coronary calcium content	+	+	++++
Cardiac/Vascular tissue composition	?	+	++
Circulatory collagen markers	?	+	++
Endothelial dysfunction	++	+	+++
Cerebral lacunae/White matter lesions	?	++	++++
Est. GFR or ClCr	+++	++++	+
Microalbuminuria	+++	++++	+



- **Il 21% della popolazione generale dispone di un GFR calcolato**
- **L'11% dei pazienti diabetici e ipertesi dispone di un rapporto Alb/Creat**

SIN/SIMG, 2007

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