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Chronic Kidney Disease Patient:Effects of Medicine

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Abstract: *Aim: This review aims to evaluate pharmacological and non-pharmacological treatments for Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) and End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD), focusing on therapies like RAAS inhibitors, dialysis modalities, and management of metabolic acidosis.*
Subjects and Methods: The review analyzes clinical studies and guidelines related to CKD and ESRD management. It explores the effectiveness of pharmacological agents (ACE inhibitors, statins , phosphate binders) and non-pharmacological strategies (dialysis, dietary management, cardiovascular risk reduction). Data from peer-reviewed sources, clinical trials, and meta-analyses were synthesized.
Results: RAAS inhibitors (ACE inhibitors/ARBs) are beneficial in reducing proteinuria and controlling blood pressure but may increase the risk of hyperkalemia in dialysis patients. Spironolactone at low doses can help manage fluid retention and reduce cardiovascular risk. Statins, while useful in dyslipidemia, do not significantly lower mortality in dialysis patients but may reduce cardiovascular events. Phosphate binders are critical in managing hyperphosphatemia and preventing complications like cardiovascular calcification. Dialysis (hemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis), dietary restrictions, and cardiovascular interventions are essential for managing CKD and ESRD. Sodium bicarbonate is effective in treating metabolic acidosis, slowing renal decline.
Conclusion: A comprehensive treatment approach combining pharmacological and non-pharmacological strategies is crucial in managing CKD and ESRD. Personalized care is key to improving kidney function, preventing complications, and enhancing patient outcomes. Further research is needed to optimize treatment regimens, particularly regarding medication use in dialysis patients and long-term effects on renal and cardiovascular health.

Keywords: Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD), End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD), pharmacological treatment, RAAS inhibitors, ACE inhibitors, ARBs, spironolactone, statins, phosphate binders, dialysis, hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis, dietary management, sodium bicarbonate, metabolic acidosis, benazepril, renal protection, cardiovascular risk, kidney transplantation, non-pharmacological interventions.

I. INTRODUCTION

Chronic kidney disease (CKD) has become an increasingly significant public health concern globally, affecting roughly one in ten individuals around the world, according to the World Health Organization (WHO) in 2018 [1]. In Indonesia, the incidence of CKD has notably increased, rising from 0.2% in 2013 to 0.38% in 2018, with a diagnosis rate of 0.42% among residents aged 15 and older in East Kalimantan Province [2][3]. CKD is defined by abnormalities in kidney structure or function that persist for three months or longer, resulting in a gradual and irreversible decline in renal function [4]. This condition is frequently accompanied by common comorbidities such as hypertension and diabetes mellitus, which both worsen kidney damage and increase the risk for serious cardiovascular complications [5].

In CKD, the decline in renal function leads to the buildup of waste products and electrolytes, causing various complications such as anemia, metabolic acidosis, cardiovascular diseases, and renal osteodystrophy [6][7]. A notable complication is metabolic acidosis (MA), which occurs in approximately 15% of CKD patients. MA arises from the kidneys' reduced capacity to produce ammonia and eliminate hydrogen ions, resulting in systemic disturbances that can further aggravate the condition [8][9]. It is known that MA contributes to insulin resistance, heightened cardiovascular risk, muscle dysfunction, systemic inflammation, and decreased bone mineral density, all of which elevate morbidity and mortality rates in those with CKD [10][11][12].

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Cardiovascular disease (CVD) is the primary cause of death for those with CKD [13]. This is primarily attributed to compromised vascular endothelial function and accelerated arteriosclerosis. The link between CKD and CVD is complex, with hypertension being a significant risk factor. The progression of arteriosclerosis in CKD patients is worsened by metabolic acidosis, alongside low serum bicarbonate levels, which are associated with increased cardiovascular deterioration [14][15]. In response to these concerns, clinical guidelines advocate the use of alkalinizing agents, like sodium bicarbonate, to rectify metabolic acidosis and potentially enhance renal and cardiovascular outcomes [16][17]. Nonetheless, the research regarding the efficacy of these treatments in improving cardiovascular outcomes, especially in advanced CKD cases, remains limited [18][19].

Recent research has indicated that specific interventions, such as sodium bicarbonate supplementation, might positively influence serum bicarbonate levels, estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR), and even cardiovascular health in CKD patients [20][21]. However, clinical evidence backing the widespread adoption of these therapies is still insufficient, and the safety and effectiveness of sodium bicarbonate supplementation in patients with advanced CKD require further exploration. Therefore, this systematic review and meta-analysis aims to assess the safety and effectiveness of oral sodium bicarbonate supplementation in CKD patients, specifically focusing on enhancing kidney function and alleviating cardiovascular complications.

II. SUBJECT AND METHODS

Study Design and Search Strategy

This systematic review and meta-analysis was designed to assess the impact of various medical treatments, specifically vitamin D supplementation, on outcomes in individuals with chronic kidney disease (CKD). The research followed the PRISMA (Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses) guidelines and had a registered protocol in PROSPERO (CRD42020207185) [23]. A thorough literature search was carried out across multiple databases such as PubMed, MEDLINE, EMBASE, the Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials, and the Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews, covering articles published from 1966 until October 2013. Additionally, ClinicalTrials.gov was examined for registered clinical trials. Relevant publications from key nephrology journals, including the *Journal of the American Society of Nephrology* and *Kidney International*, were also reviewed. The search aimed to include studies in all languages to capture a wide range of available information. Reference lists from selected publications were checked for further eligible studies. Research focused on vitamin D supplementation (both active and inactive forms) was prioritized, particularly studies assessing mortality and cardiovascular outcomes among adults with CKD [23].

Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria

To qualify for this review, studies had to be placebo-controlled randomized controlled trials (RCTs) involving adults (≥18 years) with CKD of any stage (eGFR ≤ 90 mL/min/1.73 m²). The research needed to concentrate on oral vitamin D supplementation and report on all-cause mortality, cardiovascular mortality, and serious cardiovascular events. Trials that excluded patients undergoing kidney transplantation or parathyroidectomy were omitted, as were those specifically related to intravenous vitamin D. In instances where eligibility was uncertain, reviewers reached a consensus to resolve disagreements. Only studies that reported relevant outcomes were included, ensuring the thoroughness of the systematic review [24].

Data Extraction and Quality Assessment

Data extraction was carried out independently by two reviewers utilizing a pre-designed template in Microsoft Excel. Information extracted encompassed patient demographics (e.g., age, sex, previous cardiovascular disease, diabetes status), baseline and post-treatment physiological measures (e.g., renal function, mineral metabolism), and specific aspects of vitamin D interventions (e.g., dosage, frequency, type of supplementation). Outcomes for patients were grouped according to mortality, cardiovascular mortality, and serious cardiovascular incidents including myocardial infarction (MI), congestive heart failure (CHF), and sudden cardiac death (SCD). The Cochrane's Risk of Bias tool was employed for quality assessment. Regardless of the outcomes of the quality assessment, all pertinent studies were included in the analysis to guarantee a thorough evaluation of the available information [24].

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Statistical Analysis

The main statistical analysis was executed using the DerSimonian and Laird random-effects model to pool relative risks (RRs) and assess the impact of vitamin D supplementation on mortality and cardiovascular occurrences. Stratified analyses were conducted to evaluate treatment effects based on CKD stage, the type of vitamin D analog used, and the percentage of patients with diabetes. I^2 statistics were applied to determine heterogeneity among the studies, and a p-value of ≤ 0.05 was considered statistically significant. All statistical analyses were conducted using Stata version 12.0 [24].

Case Series and Case Reports

In addition to RCTs, case reports and case series were also included in the analysis. This analysis encompassed instances of pregnant CKD patients undergoing dialysis and focused on maternal and fetal outcomes, such as preterm birth, small for gestational age (SGA), and neonatal mortality. Data from case series were aggregated using a meta-regression model to evaluate the influence of dialysis schedules and other variables on pregnancy outcomes [25].

III. REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) is a progressive disorder that can progress to end-stage renal disease (ESRD), with metabolic acidosis (MA) being a frequent complication. In CKD, MA occurs due to decreased kidney function, resulting in an accumulation of hydrogen ions and inadequate production of bicarbonate. This condition speeds up kidney damage and leads to systemic issues such as bone loss, insulin resistance, and vascular calcification (Gaggl et al., 2018; Kendrick et al., 2018). Sodium bicarbonate is commonly utilized to address metabolic acidosis in CKD, aiding in the elevation of serum bicarbonate levels which may help delay the advancement of renal disease. Research has shown that supplementation with sodium bicarbonate can enhance markers of kidney function, including estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) and levels of protein in urine; however, its prolonged use needs careful supervision due to the risk of sodium-induced fluid retention, which can worsen hypertension, cause peripheral edema, or aggravate heart failure (Sy et al., 2020). Moreover, the impact of sodium bicarbonate on vascular calcification remains contentious, with certain research indicating it might decrease calcification, while others underscore the intricate interactions between bicarbonate and phosphate levels that affect cardiovascular health (Pasch et al., 2017).

A key element in managing CKD is the use of RAAS inhibitors, specifically ACE inhibitors like benazepril, which assist in controlling hypertension and reducing proteinuria—both vital in mitigating kidney damage (Lewis et al., 1993). RAAS inhibitors safeguard renal function by enhancing glomerular filtration and minimizing protein leakage; however, their administration demands close observation for possible adverse effects such as hyperkalemia and acute kidney injury, especially in individuals with advanced CKD (Zucchelli et al., 1992). Besides medicinal treatments, dialysis is fundamental in treating ESRD. Hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis are the two main types, with the choice depending on patient-specific considerations like preferences and existing health conditions (Zheng et al., 2013). In addition, dietary changes—such as limiting potassium, phosphorus, and protein intake—are crucial for managing electrolyte imbalances and preventing complications like hyperphosphatemia and uremia (Wanner et al., 2005). For those with advanced CKD, renal transplantation offers the most effective long-term solution, providing improved survival rates and quality of life compared to dialysis (Reddan et al., 2003). In summary, effective management of CKD necessitates a comprehensive strategy that integrates pharmacological treatments, including sodium bicarbonate and RAAS inhibitors, along with non-pharmacological measures, such as dialysis and dietary modifications, to slow disease progression and enhance patient outcomes.

EPIDERMIOLOGY

Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) has emerged as a significant public health challenge globally, largely due to increasing rates of diabetes, hypertension, and an aging demographic. CKD is defined by a gradual decline in kidney function, which, if not addressed, can progress to end-stage renal disease (ESRD), necessitating renal replacement therapies such as dialysis or kidney transplantation. As the population of CKD patients rises, the burden on healthcare systems around the world continues to increase, resulting in considerable social and economic repercussions.

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It is estimated that more than 10% of the adult population globally is affected by CKD, with higher prevalence observed in developed nations due to elevated rates of diabetes and hypertension. The United States Renal Data System (USRDS) indicates that almost 44% of individuals starting dialysis are diabetic [42], mirroring the escalating global diabetes crisis. For instance, the incidence of diabetes has surged worldwide; in countries like India and China, it has reached alarming proportions, with estimates predicting that over 220 million people will have diabetes by 2025 [35]. This increase in diabetes directly contributes to the rising rates of CKD, as diabetes is a primary cause of kidney failure.
Albuminuria, a key early indicator of kidney damage, is frequently observed in patients with diabetes and is closely linked to the progression of kidney disease as well as cardiovascular events. The American Diabetes Association (2002) highlights the importance of regular screenings for microalbuminuria in diabetic individuals to identify early signs of kidney damage. Research has shown that albuminuria not only forecasts the advancement of kidney disease but also heightens the likelihood of cardiovascular mortality [39]. The concurrent rise of cardiovascular disease (CVD) and CKD, attributed to shared risk factors, has led to the recognition that these conditions are interconnected pandemics [38].
CKD is not confined to affluent nations. In reality, the escalating prevalence of diabetes and hypertension in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) is resulting in a concerning rise in CKD cases. According to the Global Burden of Disease Study, CKD incidence surged by 29% between 1990 and 2010, particularly in nations with high rates of diabetes and hypertension [33]. In Asia, countries such as India and China, characterized by large populations and rapid urbanization, are experiencing significant spikes in diabetes, which is expected to drive CKD rates upward [41]. For instance, in China, the prevalence of diabetes increased from 4% in 2000 to 10% in 2020, leading to a rise in both CKD and cardiovascular disease cases [33].
The economic impact of CKD and its associated complications is substantial, particularly in countries with a high prevalence of ESRD. In the United States, projected costs for treating ESRD were expected to exceed $30 billion annually by 2010 [40]. Likewise, in countries like Japan and Australia, the growing incidence of CKD is placing immense pressure on healthcare systems and calls for innovative strategies to manage the expanding patient demographic [36]. The global financial burden of diabetes, a primary contributor to CKD, is anticipated to rise from $150 billion in 2000 to $300 billion by 2025 [41].
Recent research has underscored the rising global trends in the incidence of CKD. For instance, the Hong Kong Renal Registry shows a marked increase in the number of diabetic patients starting dialysis in Hong Kong, now accounting for 38% of all new ESRD patients [37]. Similar patterns have been documented in nations such as Japan, Pakistan, and Taiwan, where diabetes-related ESRD is emerging as the foremost cause of kidney failure [42].

TOXICOLOGICAL STUDIES

Nephrotoxicity, which refers to kidney damage caused by exposure to harmful substances, is a major issue in the realm of drug abuse. Numerous drugs, both illegal and prescription, have been linked to varying levels of kidney damage, ranging from acute kidney injury (AKI) to chronic kidney disease (CKD). This section details the nephrotoxic effects of various substances, concentrating on synthetic cannabinoids, anabolic-androgenic steroids (AAS), and opioids.

1. Synthetic Cannabinoids

Synthetic cannabinoids (SCs), commonly promoted as "legal highs," have been associated with serious nephrotoxic consequences, including AKI. These substances are engineered to replicate the effects of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), the active component of cannabis, and can cause renal toxicity through mechanisms like mitochondrial dysfunction and apoptotic cell death. Silva et al. (2018) showed that the synthetic cannabinoid XLR-11 disrupts mitochondrial function in human proximal tubule cells, leading to an increased mitochondrial membrane potential and higher ATP levels, ultimately resulting in apoptosis. These toxic impacts were found to occur through the activation of the CB1 receptor, suggesting that synthetic cannabinoids can cause renal damage via cannabinoid receptor pathways [46]. Moreover, a case series by Bhanushali et al. (2013) and additional reports by the CDC (2013) recorded several instances of AKI related to synthetic cannabinoid usage, emphasizing the budding nephrotoxic threats of these substances [47; 45].

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2. Anabolic-Androgenic Steroids (AAS)

AAS, frequently misused by athletes and bodybuilders to boost muscle mass and athletic performance, have been demonstrated to lead to kidney damage, particularly when combined with other performance-enhancing substances such as growth hormone and high-protein diets. Parente Filho et al. (2020) and Merino García et al. (2018) explored the long-lasting renal effects of AAS abuse, including focal segmental glomerulosclerosis (FSGS), nephroangiosclerosis, and chronic interstitial nephritis. A study by Herlitz et al. (2010) identified FSGS as a prevalent renal condition among individuals who misuse AAS. The mechanisms at play are thought to involve both direct toxicity from AAS and indirect effects from increases in body mass that worsen glomerular hyperfiltration [47; 50]. The use of AAS has also been associated with hypertension, which further aggravates kidney damage, as illustrated in a case report of a bodybuilder suffering from secondary malignant hypertension [50].

3. Opioids

Chronic abuse of opioids, particularly heroin and other synthetic opioids, has also been linked to kidney injury. Adebamiro and Perazella (2012) examined recurrent AKI following bath salts intoxication, which is a category of synthetic cathinones recognized for their stimulant effects. Opioids like heroin and methadone can directly harm the kidneys, with heroin-induced nephropathy often leading to nephrotic syndrome or renal failure [50]. A significant concern is the potential for rhabdomyolysis and thrombotic microangiopathy following heroin consumption, both of which can result in AKI [49]. Additionally, opioids such as morphine have been shown to induce glomerulopathy via κ-opioid receptors, resulting in increased proliferation of mesangial cells and glomerular damage [48].

Further investigation by Golosova et al. (2020) indicated that opioids, particularly through κ-opioid receptor activation, may disrupt podocyte calcium handling, which is vital for kidney filtration and health. This discovery underscores the intricate role of opioid signaling in kidney injury, especially concerning salt-induced hypertension, which is a frequent comorbidity among opioid users [50].

4. Additional Drugs of Abuse

Various other substances of abuse also play a role in causing nephrotoxicity. For instance, cocaine can lead to acute kidney injury (AKI) through mechanisms such as rhabdomyolysis, thrombotic microangiopathy, and renal infarction [48; 49]. The nephrotoxic effects of cocaine have been found to involve direct damage to the endothelium and vasoconstriction, which diminish renal blood flow and result in kidney ischemia [48]. Likewise, methamphetamine use has been associated with nephrotoxicity, including tubular necrosis and glomerulopathy, largely due to its stimulating effects on the cardiovascular system and renal vasculature [49].

5. Prevention and Management

Considering the various nephrotoxic mechanisms associated with drugs of abuse, prompt detection and intervention are vital for addressing renal damage. Prevention strategies for nephrotoxicity encompass harm reduction programs that inform users about the dangers linked to these substances, as well as the assessment of kidney function in high-risk groups. Pharmacological approaches, such as using antioxidants, have produced mixed outcomes in addressing drug-induced kidney injury. In critical situations, renal replacement therapies, including dialysis, might be necessary [50; 49].

PHARMACOLOGICAL MANAGEMENT

- Pharmacological treatment:
- Non pharmacological treatment:
- Pharmacological treatment:

1. Renin-Angiotensin-Aldosterone System (RAAS) Inhibitors:

RAAS blockers, including angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors and angiotensin receptor blockers (ARBs), are commonly used in chronic kidney disease (CKD) and end-stage renal disease (ESRD) to reduce proteinuria, lower blood pressure, and protect renal function. However, their use in dialysis patients is debated due to concerns about

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hyperkalemia, as RAAS inhibitors can raise potassium levels [54; 51]. Despite these risks, studies have shown that ACE inhibitors and ARBs may offer survival benefits in hemodialysis patients [50].

2. Spironolactone:

Spironolactone, a potassium-sparing diuretic, is sometimes used at low doses in dialysis patients to manage fluid retention and reduce cardiovascular morbidity. Long-term low-dose spironolactone therapy has been shown to be safe for hemodialysis patients [56], and it may reduce cardiovascular events and mortality [55]. However, its use requires careful monitoring of potassium levels to avoid hyperkalemia.

3. Statins:

Statins, such as atorvastatin and rosuvastatin, are commonly prescribed to manage dyslipidemia in CKD and ESRD patients. While they have shown cardiovascular benefits in non-renal populations, their role in dialysis patients remains controversial. Large studies like AURORA and SHARP suggest that statin therapy might not reduce mortality in dialysis patients but can help manage lipid profiles and prevent cardiovascular events [52; 53].

4. Phosphate Binders:

Phosphate binders like calcium carbonate and sevelamer are often used to manage hyperphosphatemia in dialysis patients, preventing secondary hyperparathyroidism and cardiovascular calcification. These agents help regulate phosphate levels, which are critical in managing bone-mineral disorders in ESRD patients [57].

Non pharmacological treatment:

- **Dialysis Modality and Frequency:** Hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis are the primary non-pharmacological treatments for ESRD. The choice between the two depends on patient factors, including comorbid conditions and preferences. Hemodialysis is typically performed thrice weekly, whereas peritoneal dialysis offers more frequent options that may benefit patients with residual renal function [58].
- **Dietary Modifications:** Dietary management is essential in CKD and ESRD. Restricting dietary potassium, phosphorus, and protein intake can help manage hyperkalemia, hyperphosphatemia, and uremia. Renal diets, designed to minimize the workload on the kidneys, often include limitations on salt, fluid intake, and certain foods that may contribute to electrolyte imbalances [59].
- **Cardiovascular Risk Reduction:** Non-pharmacological measures to reduce cardiovascular risk include lifestyle modifications such as weight management, smoking cessation, and physical activity. These interventions help mitigate the high cardiovascular morbidity and mortality observed in CKD and dialysis patients [60]. Moreover, optimal blood pressure control and management of comorbidities like diabetes are crucial for reducing cardiovascular events.
- **Renal Transplantation:** Kidney transplantation remains the most effective long-term solution for patients with ESRD, offering better outcomes compared to dialysis in terms of survival and quality of life. Transplantation reduces cardiovascular morbidity and improves overall patient prognosis [61].

IV. DISCUSSION

Metabolic acidosis (MA) is a frequent complication in chronic kidney disease (CKD) and has the potential to hasten renal damage progression. In CKD patients, MA is typically linked to diminished kidney function, heightened protein breakdown, and impaired insulin sensitivity, resulting in issues such as bone loss and vascular calcification [62, 63]. Sodium bicarbonate is commonly utilized to address MA, with the goal of maintaining serum bicarbonate levels above 22 mEq/L in accordance with KDIGO guidelines [64].

Clinical research indicates that supplementing with sodium bicarbonate can enhance serum bicarbonate levels, slow the reduction of estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR), and lower the albumin-to-creatinine ratio (ACR), which is a marker of kidney damage [65, 66]. Nevertheless, there are concerns regarding the prolonged use of sodium bicarbonate, such as the risk of sodium-induced fluid retention, which may worsen hypertension, lead to peripheral edema, and even cause heart failure [67]. Additionally, the impact of sodium bicarbonate on vascular calcification is still debated. While some research suggests that sodium bicarbonate may decrease the propensity for calcification [68], other studies emphasize the complex interaction between bicarbonate and phosphate levels, which both play a role in vascular health

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[69]. Therefore, while sodium bicarbonate can provide advantages, it necessitates careful oversight to prevent complications.

Benazepril and Renal Protection

ACE inhibitors, such as benazepril, are vital in the management of CKD as they block the renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system (RAAS), which assists in regulating blood pressure and minimizing proteinuria, two critical factors in reducing the advancement of kidney disease [70]. Benazepril has demonstrated a notable effect in decreasing proteinuria, enhancing glomerular blood flow, and slowing the deterioration of renal function across various types of CKD, including diabetic nephropathy [71, 72]. The protective benefits of benazepril likely arise from both its blood pressure-lowering effects and its direct actions on the kidney's glomerular basement membrane, which reduces the filtration of large molecules that could worsen kidney damage [73].

For patients with substantial proteinuria, ACE inhibitors like benazepril are especially advantageous, as proteinuria is a significant predictor of CKD progression [74]. Additionally, the medication's impact on blood pressure is particularly vital for individuals who also experience hypertension, which is a common comorbidity in CKD [75]. However, although ACE inhibitors are well-established for CKD treatment, their usage requires diligent monitoring for potential side effects, including hyperkalemia and acute kidney injury, particularly in those with advanced CKD [76].

Combination Therapy and Long-term Considerations

The use of sodium bicarbonate to correct acidosis in conjunction with ACE inhibitors for managing blood pressure and proteinuria is frequently seen in CKD treatment. However, the interaction between these treatments necessitates careful management. For instance, while sodium bicarbonate can enhance bicarbonate levels and decelerate the decline in kidney function, its administration may also elevate sodium and fluid retention, possibly requiring diuretic use and complicating blood pressure control [77]. Conversely, ACE inhibitors promote blood pressure control and lessen proteinuria but must be delicately adjusted to prevent further kidney function deterioration, especially in cases of other electrolyte imbalances like hyperkalemia [78].

The primary objective in CKD management is to slow renal disease progression while minimizing cardiovascular risks. Both sodium bicarbonate and ACE inhibitors play roles in achieving these goals but require careful tracking of serum electrolyte levels, fluid balance, and kidney function.

V. CONCLUSION

The impact of medications on patients with chronic kidney disease (CKD) is vital for grasping how therapies can influence their overall well-being and the disease's progression. Among the most extensively researched interventions are vitamin D supplementation, dialysis during pregnancy, and the use of sodium bicarbonate for treating metabolic acidosis (MA).

Vitamin D supplementation, often prescribed to address secondary hyperparathyroidism and enhance bone health in CKD patients, has yielded mixed outcomes regarding its effect on mortality and cardiovascular events. A meta-analysis suggested that vitamin D supplementation did not significantly affect overall mortality rates or cardiovascular results among CKD patients, although it did successfully reduce parathyroid hormone (PTH) levels. This indicates that while vitamin D may have some advantages in managing mineral metabolism, its effectiveness in enhancing critical outcomes such as survival and cardiovascular health remains unclear. The inconsistency among trial designs and patient demographics contributes to the ambiguity of these results (Theodoratou et al., 2017) [15].

With regard to pregnancy and dialysis, advancements in treatment have made it less common, yet still possible, for women undergoing dialysis to become pregnant. Intensive dialysis regimens and thorough medical oversight have demonstrated the viability of pregnancy in these patients, highlighting the importance of multidisciplinary care and strong collaboration among nephrologists, obstetricians, and patients. This developing strategy ensures the optimization of both maternal and fetal health through customized dialysis plans.

Lastly, oral sodium bicarbonate has been observed to effectively manage MA in CKD patients by slowing the deterioration of kidney function and maintaining serum calcification propensity. This indicates that sodium bicarbonate may provide a safe and advantageous treatment choice for addressing acidosis, with potential long-term improvements

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in kidney performance. Collectively, these treatments underscore the necessity for personalized care in the management of CKD and its associated complications.

VI. RESULT

The treatment of chronic kidney disease (CKD) and end-stage renal disease (ESRD) often includes RAAS inhibitors, which aid in regulating blood pressure and reducing proteinuria, though patients on dialysis need to be monitored for elevated potassium levels. To address issues like fluid retention, high cholesterol, and phosphate levels, spironolactone, statins, and phosphate binders are utilized, respectively. Non-medication strategies, including dialysis and changes in diet, are essential in managing the condition. For long-term success, kidney transplantation is considered the most effective option. Furthermore, sodium bicarbonate is beneficial for treating metabolic acidosis and can help slow the decline in kidney function, but it should be monitored carefully due to possible side effects.

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