





Focus of research group (I)

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Current mission, vision and aims

- Finding and evaluating clinical outcomes relevant to patients
- Promoting selfcare

Background

- Increasing age nephrology patients
- Mortality not discriminative
- New clinical endpoints needed
 - PROMs, e.g. Quality of Life
 - Cardiovascular PROMs ?
 - Relevant diagnostic tests, 6 min walking, handgrip strength
 - Cognitive function / cerebral perfusion



Heart Failure & Arrhythmias



Pulmonary Hypertension & Thrombosis





Diabetes & Metabolism



Focus of research group (II)

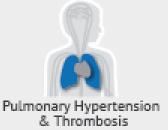
Current expertise

- Nephrology Dialysis Transplantation
- Epidemiology, including PROMs, complex statistical analytic methods
- Cerebral perfusion tests

Current funding

- ZonMW
- Dutch Kidney Foundation
- Companies: Baxter, Fresenius
- ACS











Future plans

Short term (1-2 year) plan

Plan: Validation and evaluation of several PROMs / new outcomes (i.a. cerebral perfusion, 6 min walking test) in dialysis patients, CKD patients

Necessary infrastructure: Cooperation Clinimetrics VUmc PROMs registration in Epic / Epic associated system

Long term (>2 year) plan

Plan:

- Predictive value of PROMs / new clinical endpoints with respect to cardiovascular function
- Evaluating / designing new PROMs / outcomes
- Applicability of PROMs / new clinical outcomes in clinical practice

Necessary infrastructure: Collaboration in ACS

Cardiology, Cerebral perfusion laboratory (AMC)