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## **24-HOUR PROTEINURIA CUT-OFF POINT VALUE AT 12 MONTHS AS PREDICTOR OF CHRONIC RENAL DISEASE AND DIALYTIC CHRONIC RENAL DISEASE IN PATIENTS WITH LUPUS NEPHRITIS**

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### **BACKGROUND**

Despite therapeutic advances, poor renal outcome is still frequent in patients with Lupus Nephritis (LN). 24-hour proteinuria cut-off points have been highlighted as predictors of Chronic Renal Disease (CKD) and dialytic Chronic Renal Disease (dCKD), which may lead to changes in the treatment of patients at increased risk.

### **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

We retrospectively selected 214 patients with LN treated at a tertiary hospital between 1983 to 2018, with a follow-up of at least one year after diagnosis of lupus or death. Epidemiological, clinical and laboratory data of months 3, 6, 12 and 60 (5 years) of follow-up were collected, as well as the data last recorded in the medical files. The primary outcomes were CKD, dCKD and death

### **RESULTS**

A statistically significant increase was observed in 24-hour proteinuria at month 12 ( $p=0,001$ ) and at the 5-year ( $p<0,001$ ) of follow-up in the subgroup of patients who evolved to CKD and dCKD, respectively. Elevated serum creatinine in the diagnosis of LN was also a predictor of CKD ( $p=0,005$ ) and dCKD ( $p=0,012$ ). The best cut-off point for 24-hour proteinuria at 12 months as a predictor of CKD and dCKD was 900mg. At 5 years, the best cut-off point was 1,061mg and 941mg respectively for CKD and dCKD.

### **CONCLUSION**

We reassured the importance of cut-off points of 24-hour proteinuria in 12 months as a predictor of poor renal outcome. Rigorous control of 24-hour proteinuria, especially in patients at higher risk of kidney long-term complications, could reduce the evolution of LN to CKD and dCKD.