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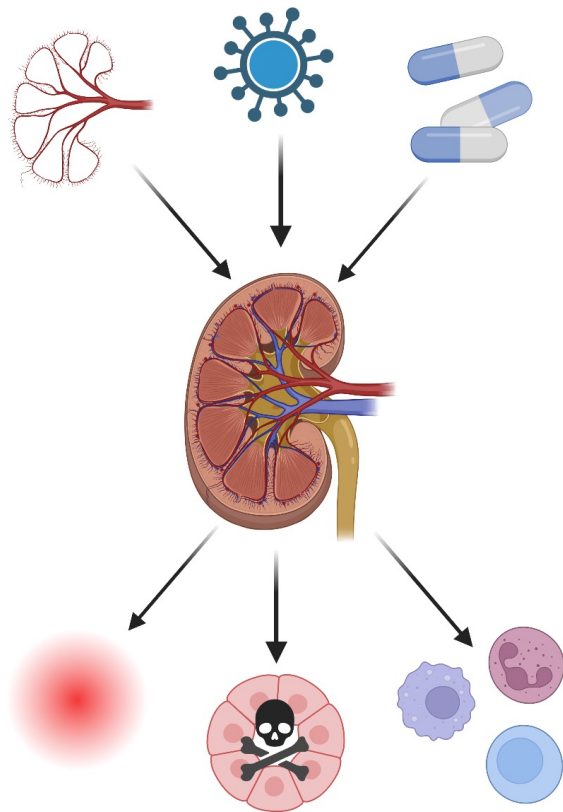
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# **Manganese-enhanced MRI to define cardiovascular disease risk after acute kidney injury**

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## Acute kidney injury (AKI)



- AKI is a global health problem; affects **up to 20% of hospital inpatients**
- Costs **1% of the annual NHS budget** in the UK (**£1 billion**)
- Multi-factorial: ischaemia-reperfusion injury, sepsis, drug toxicity
- Results in: inflammation, glomerular & tubular injury, microcirculatory dysfunction
- Treatment is supportive



# AKI & cardiovascular disease (CVD)



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## REVIEW ARTICLE

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# Cardiovascular Consequences of Acute Kidney Injury

Matthieu Legrand, M.D., Ph.D., and Patrick Rossignol, M.D., Ph.D.

Legrand *et al*, *NEJM*, 2020



## AKI & cardiovascular disease (CVD)



- AKI is independently associated with **increased risk of death** from **cardiovascular events**
- Increased risk of admission due to **heart failure**
- Increased risk of **myocardial infarction**
- Increased risk of **stroke**
- Risks remain despite resolution of AKI





# AKI & chronic kidney disease (CKD)



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# Acute Kidney Injury and Chronic Kidney Disease as Interconnected Syndromes

Lakhmir S. Chawla, M.D., Paul W. Eggers, Ph.D.,  
Robert A. Star, M.D., and Paul L. Kimmel, M.D.

Chawla *et al*, *NEJM*, 2014

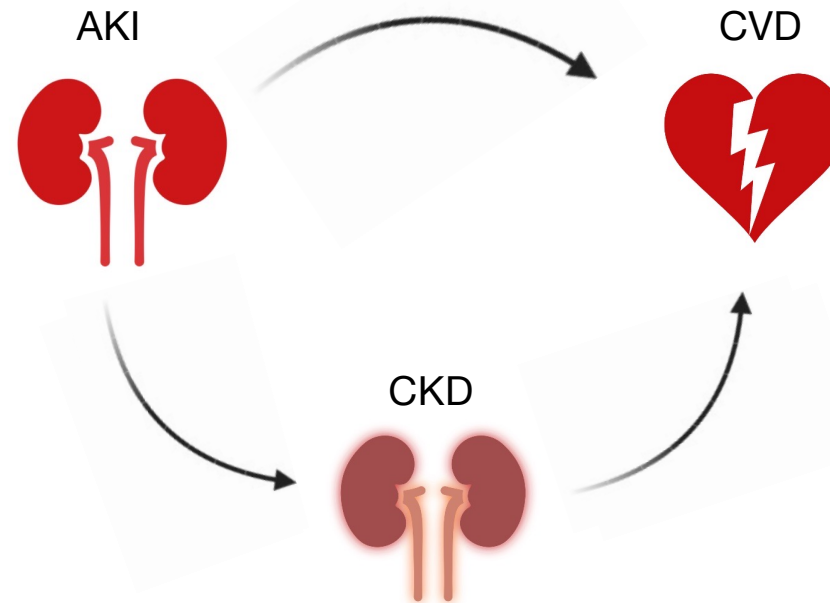


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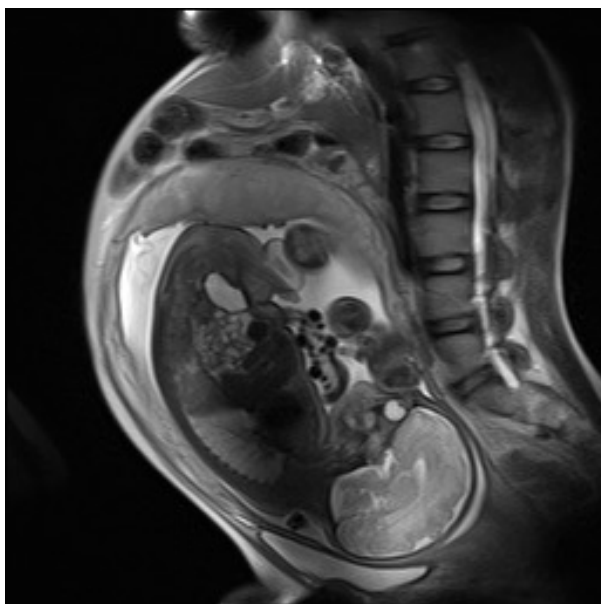
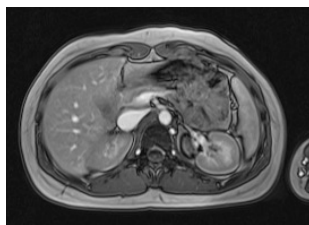
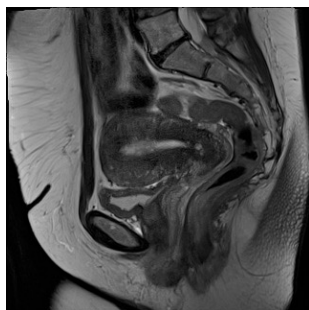
- AKI survivors: ~30% left with CKD
- Remaining 70%: 28-fold increased risk of developing CKD & cardiovascular disease
- Currently, no treatments that prevent progression of AKI to CKD (or CVD)

## AKI to CVD and CKD progression

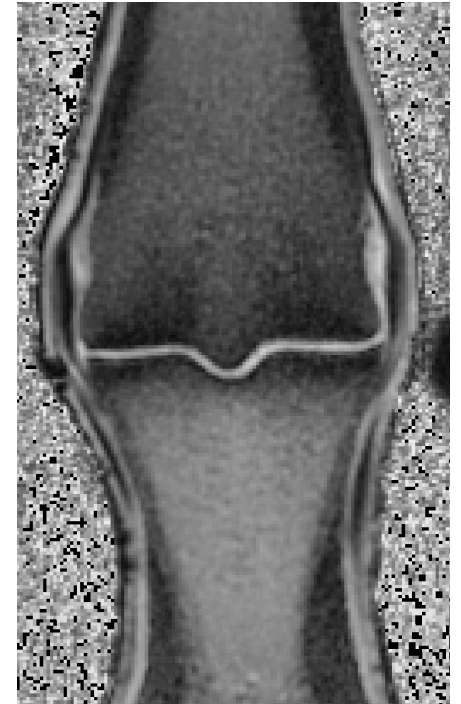
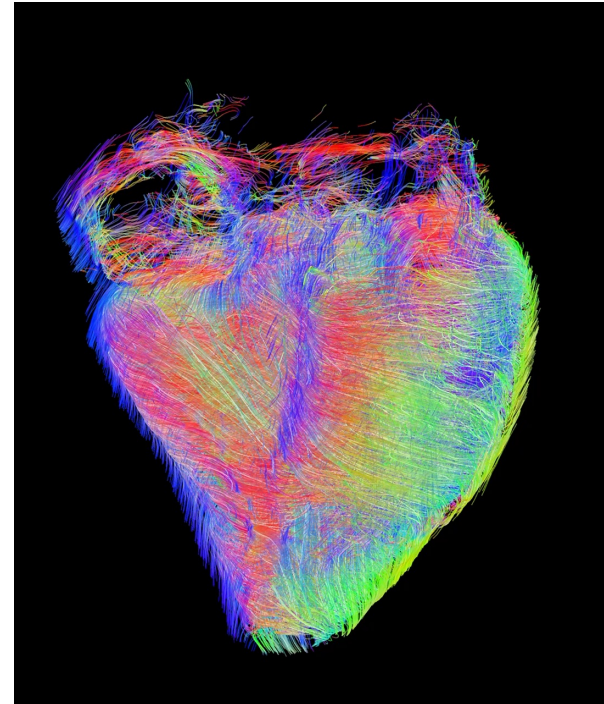
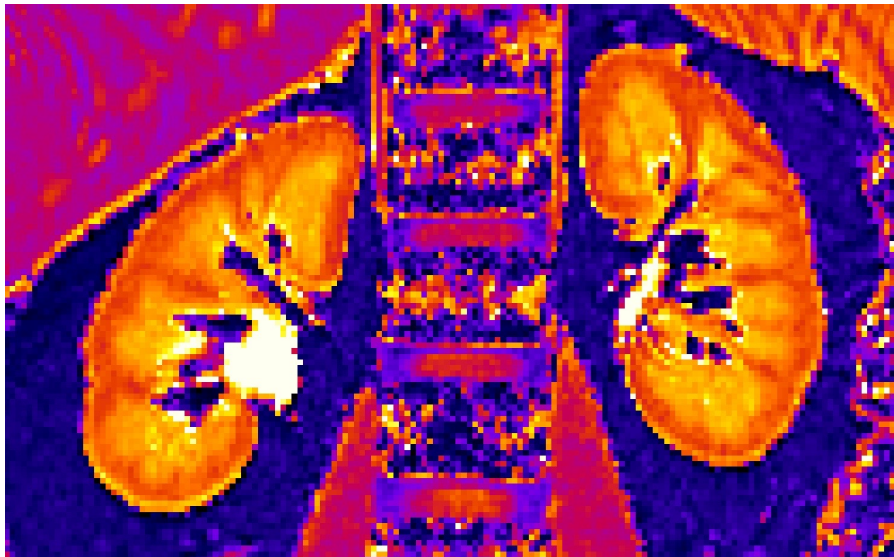
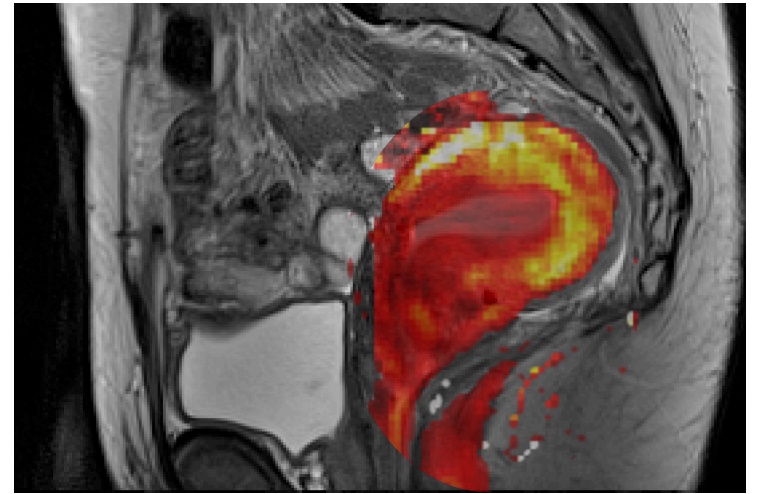
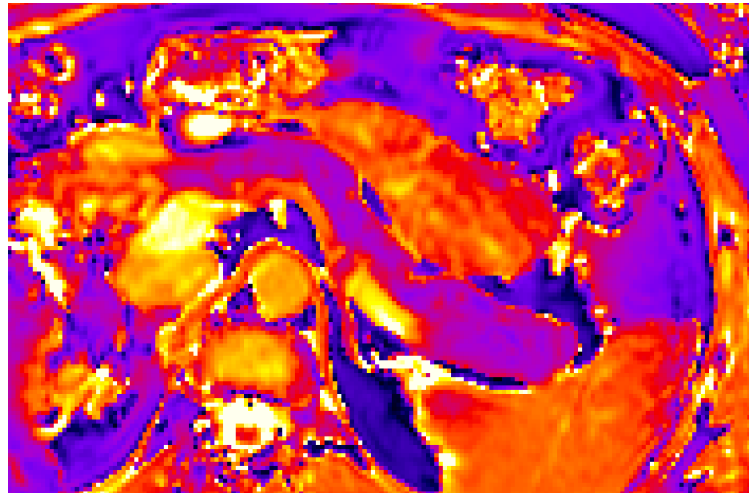
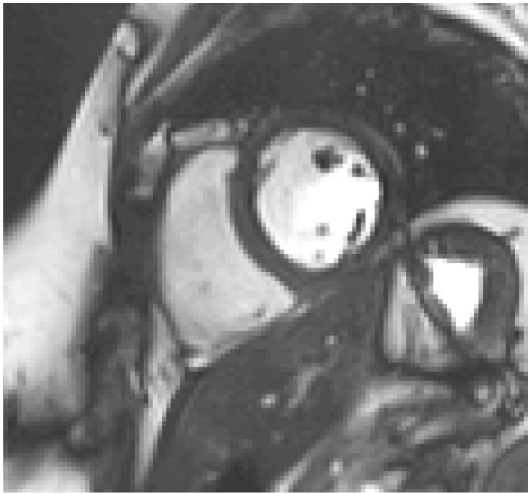


**Currently, there are no reliable biomarkers that identify those patients with AKI who will go on to develop cardiovascular disease or CKD**

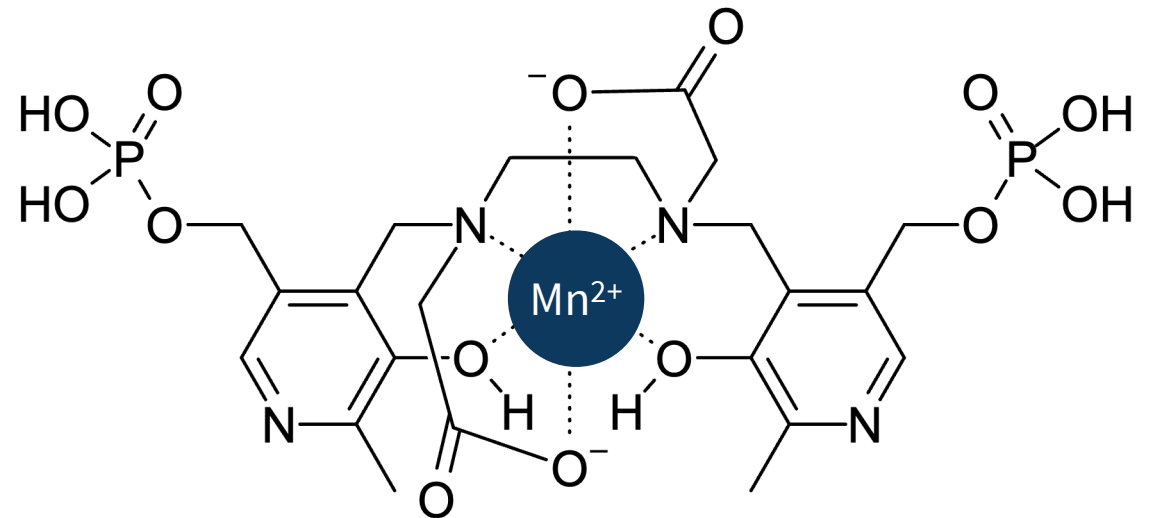
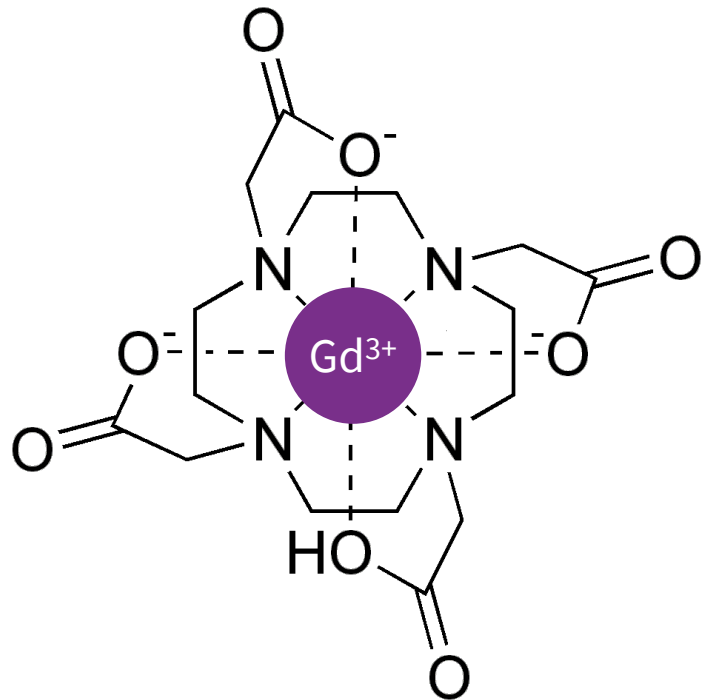
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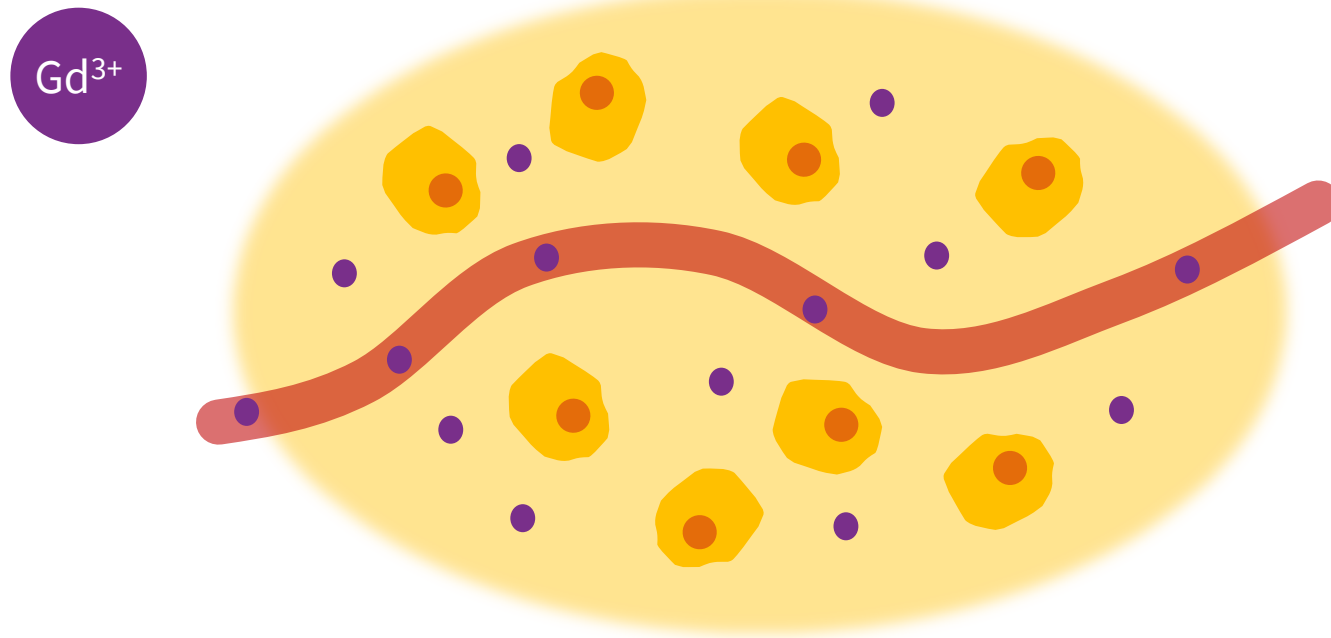
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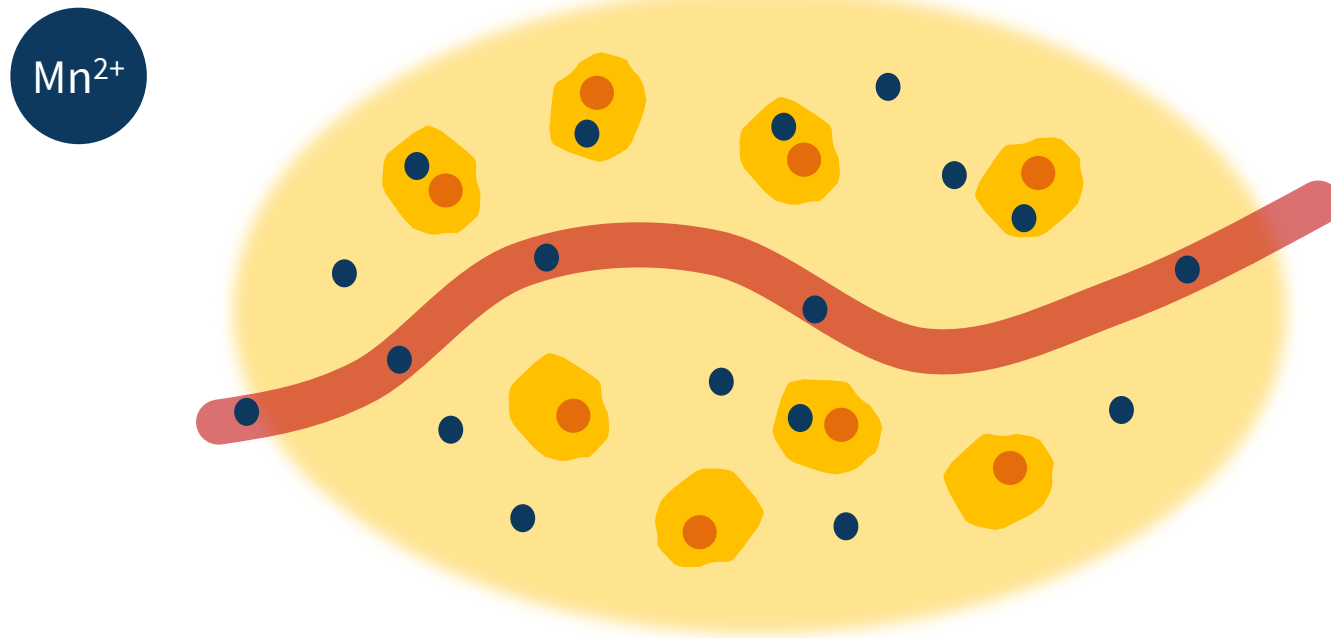


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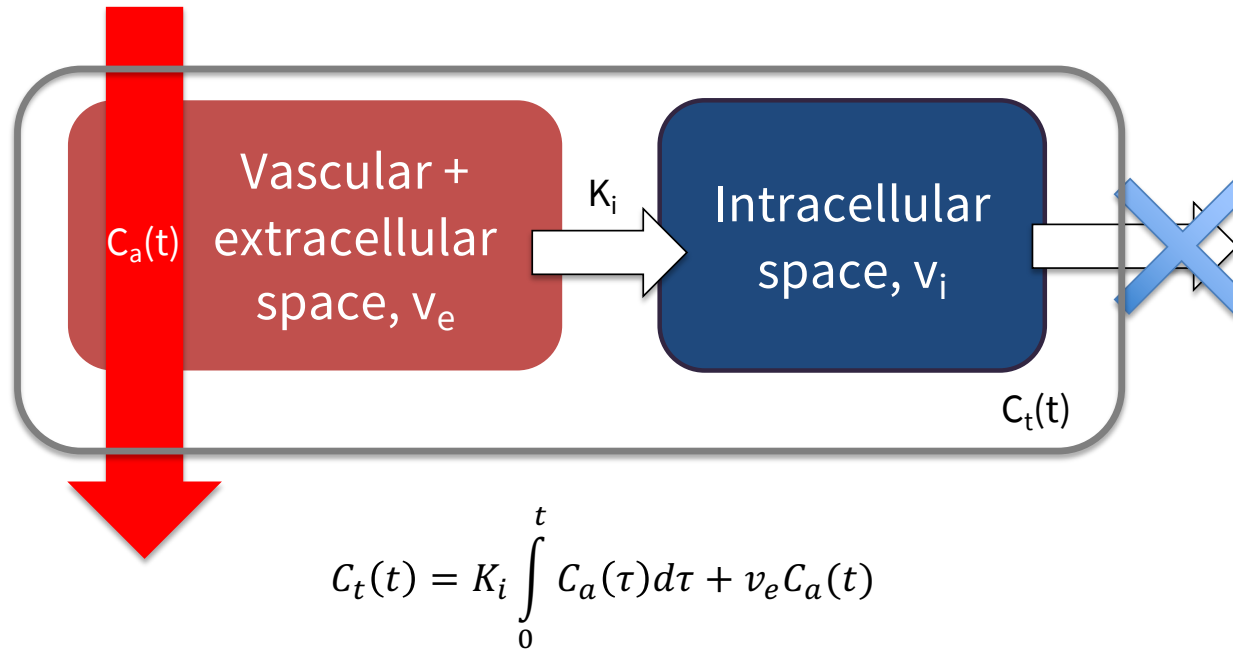


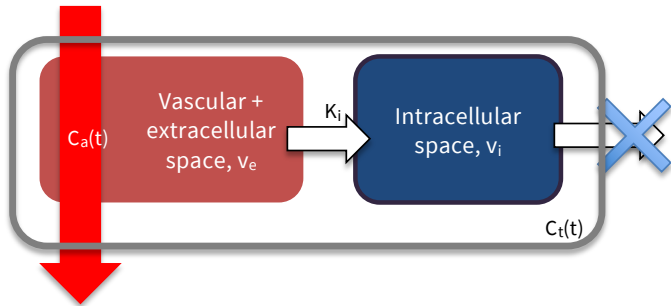
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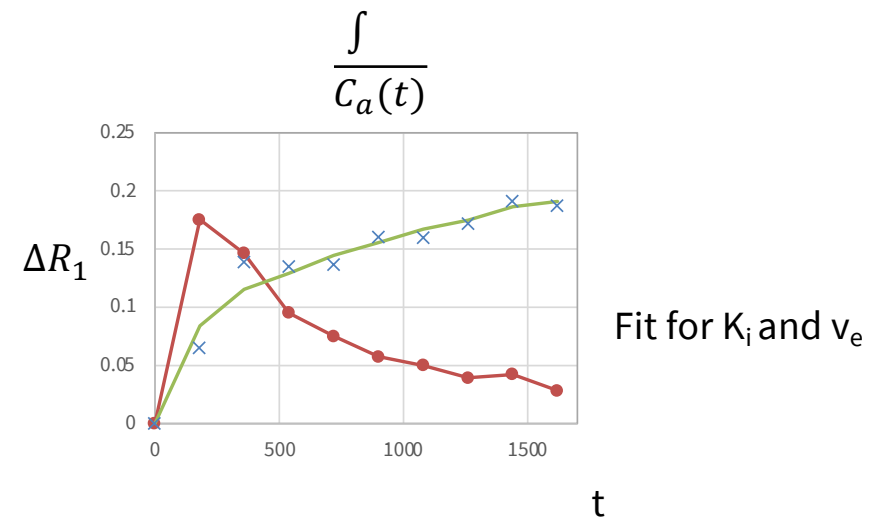
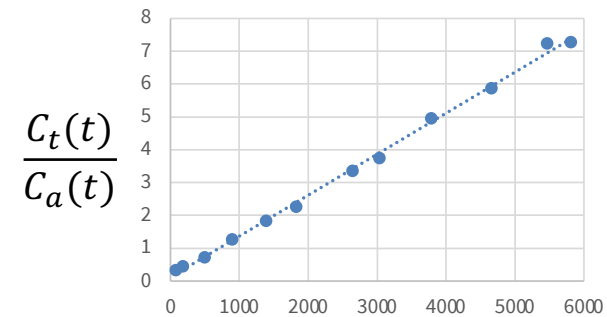


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$$C_t(t) = K_i \int_0^t C_a(\tau) d\tau + v_e C_a(t)$$



# Why does this help us?



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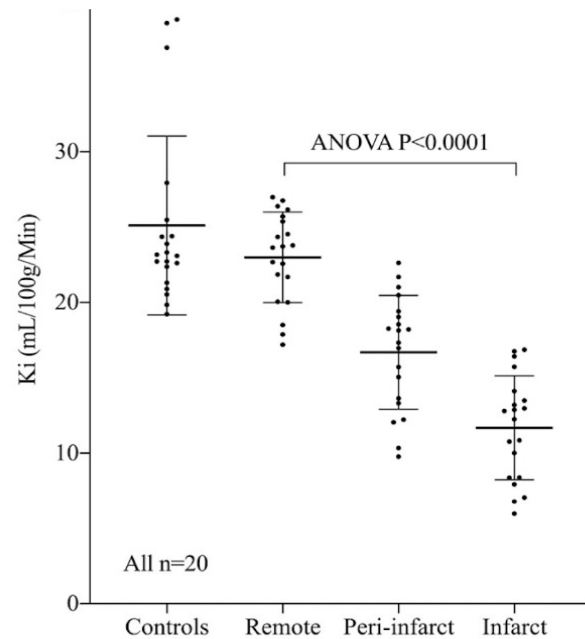
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**openheart** Assessment of stunned and viable myocardium using manganese-enhanced MRI

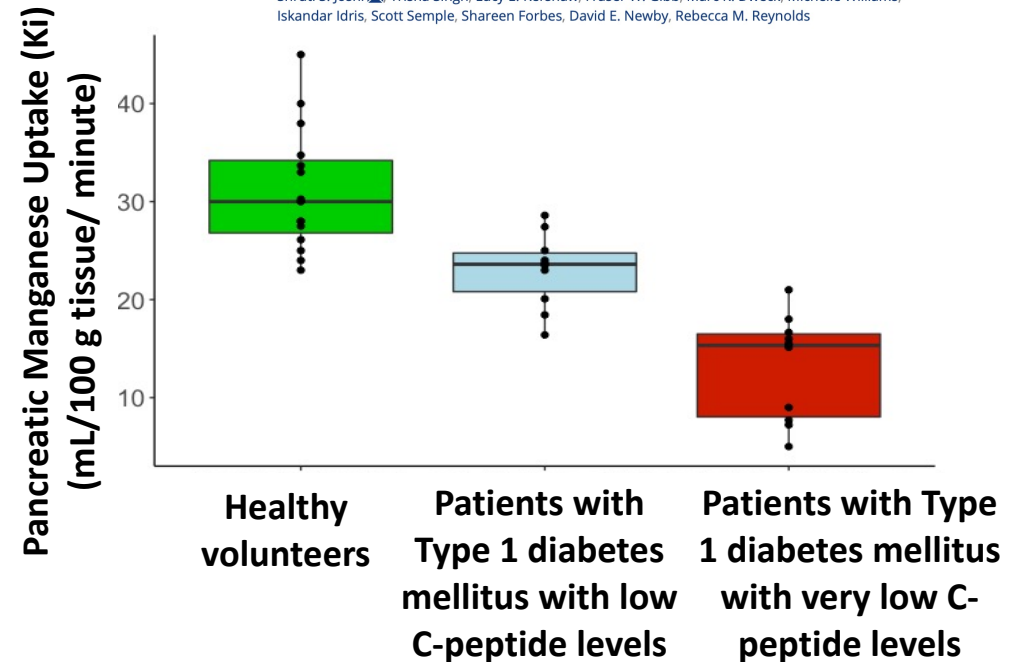
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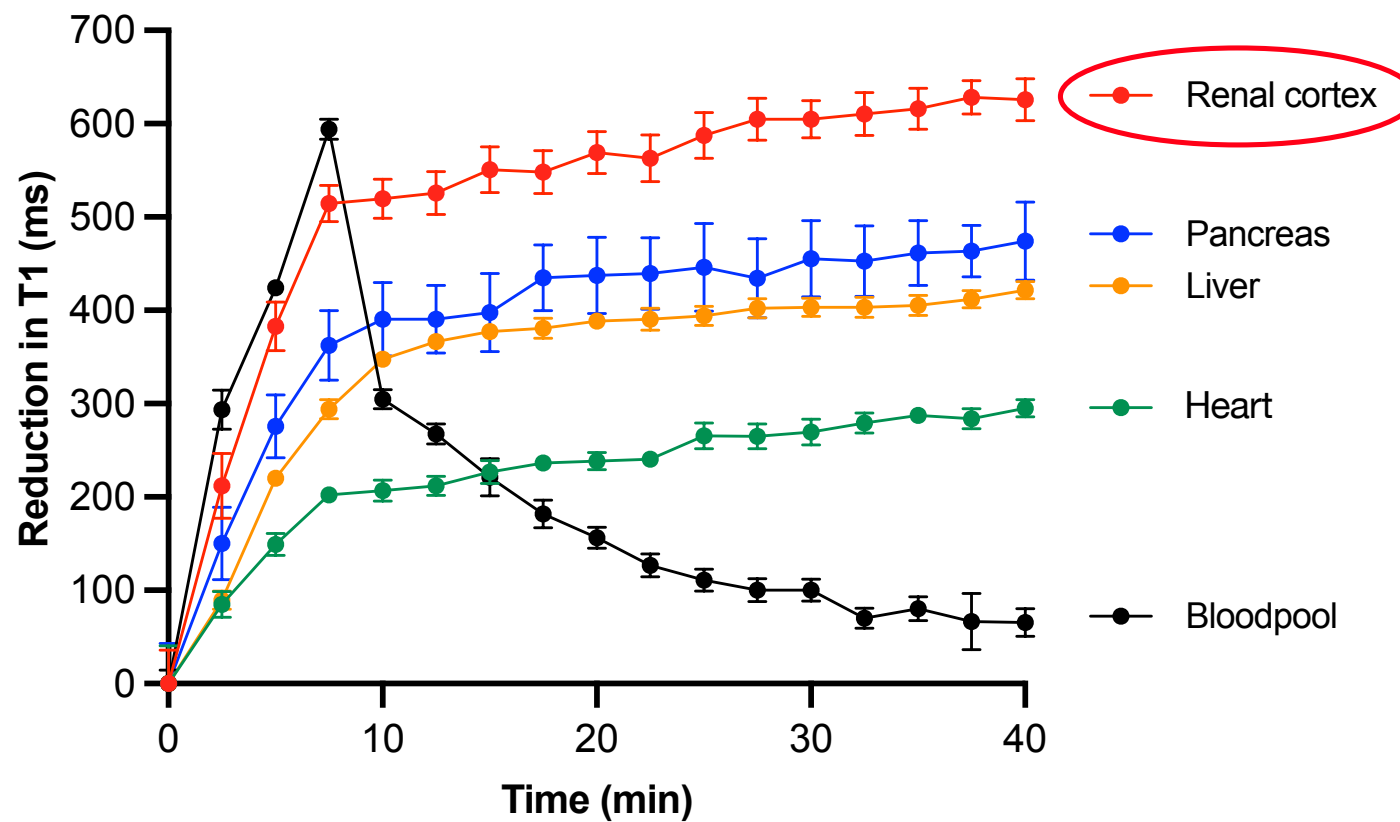
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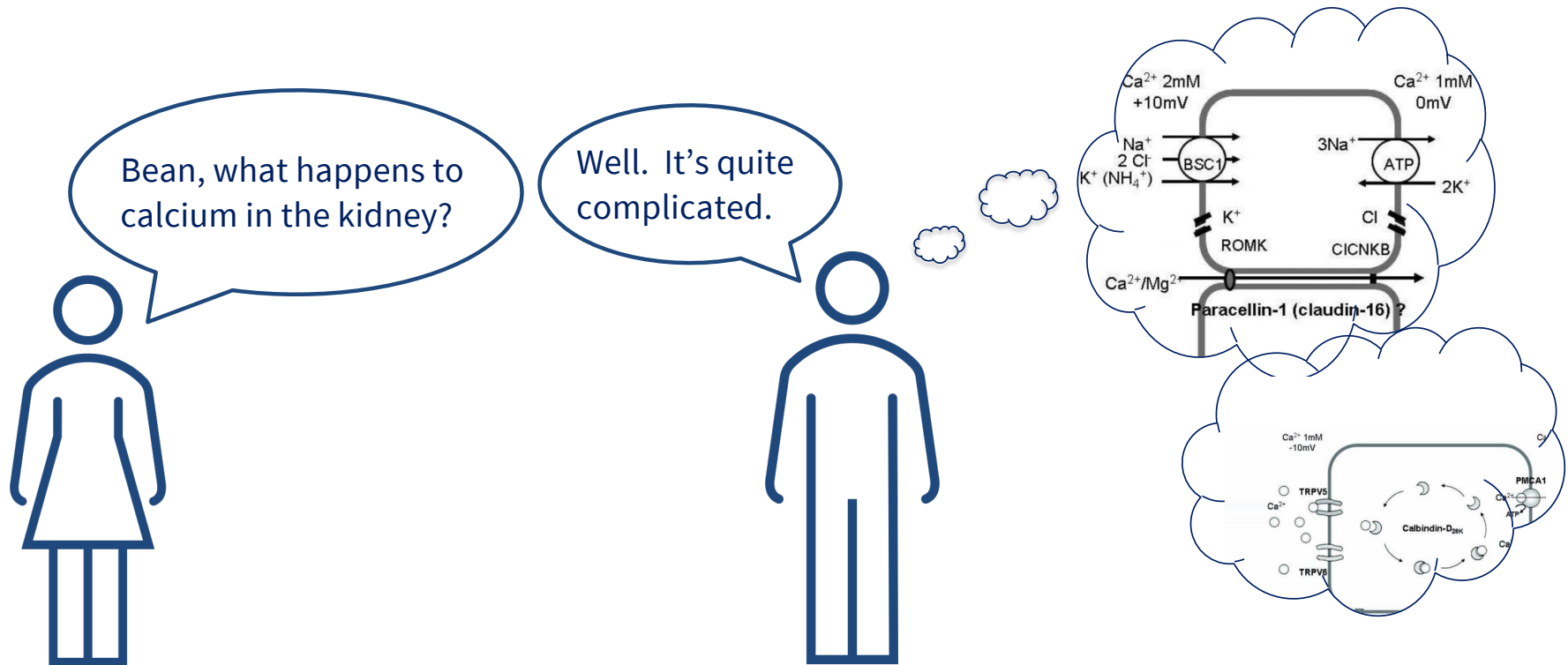


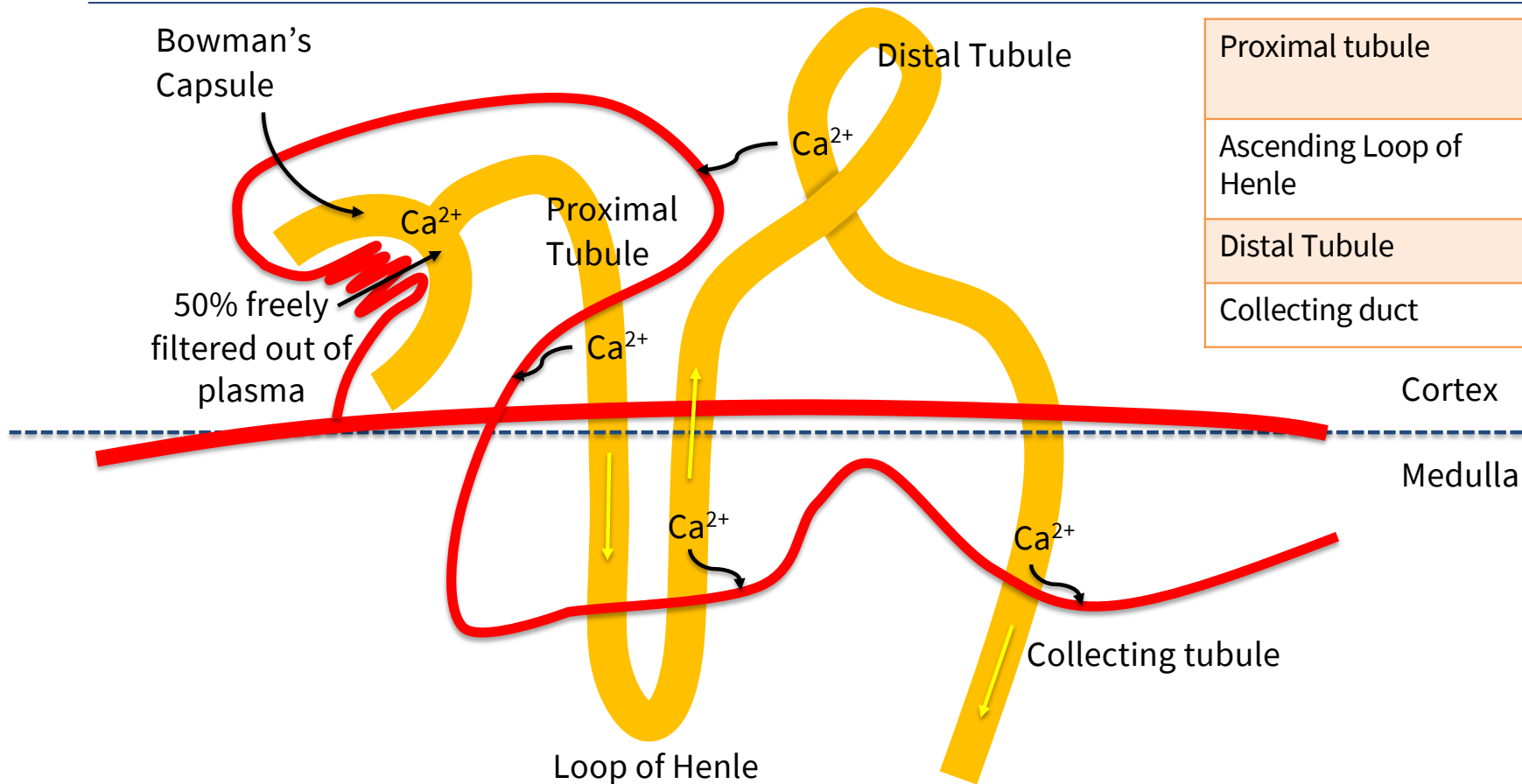


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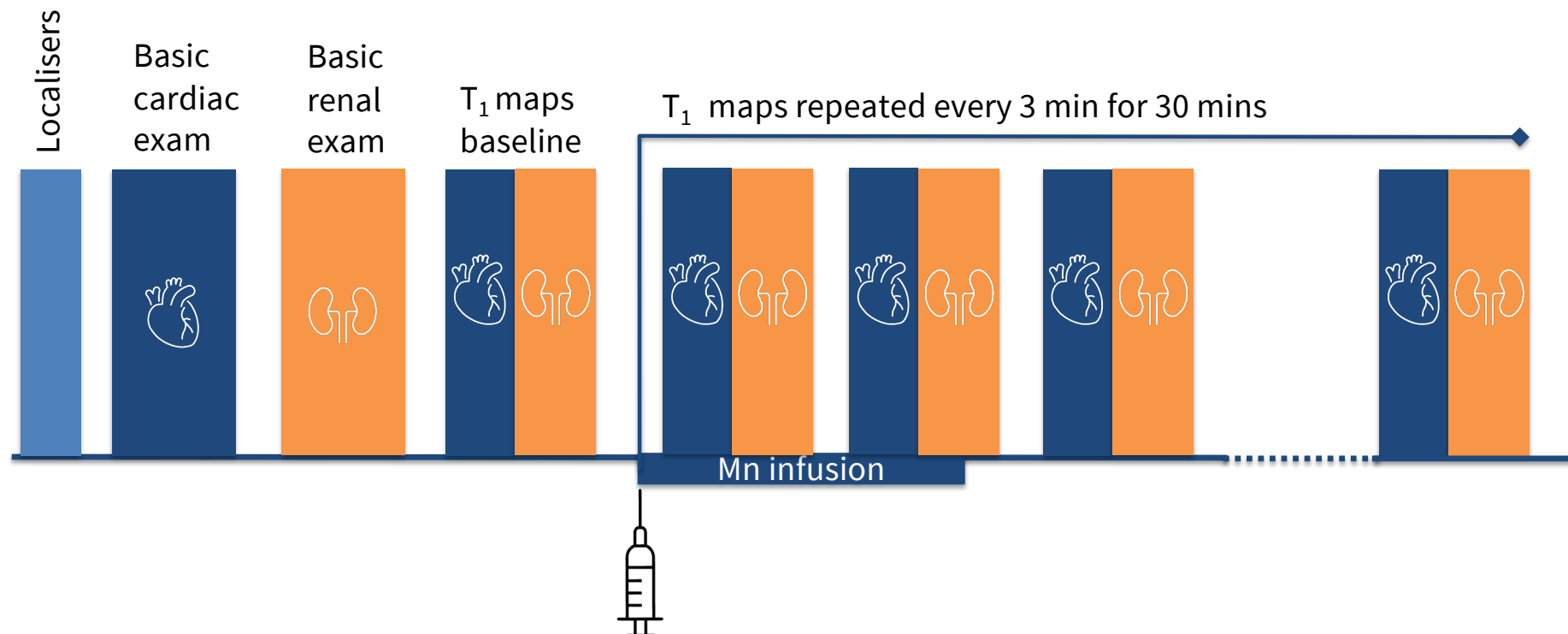






Proximal tubule	60-70%	Passive (+active)
Ascending Loop of Henle	20%	Passive (+active)
Distal Tubule	5-10%	Active
Collecting duct	5%	Passive

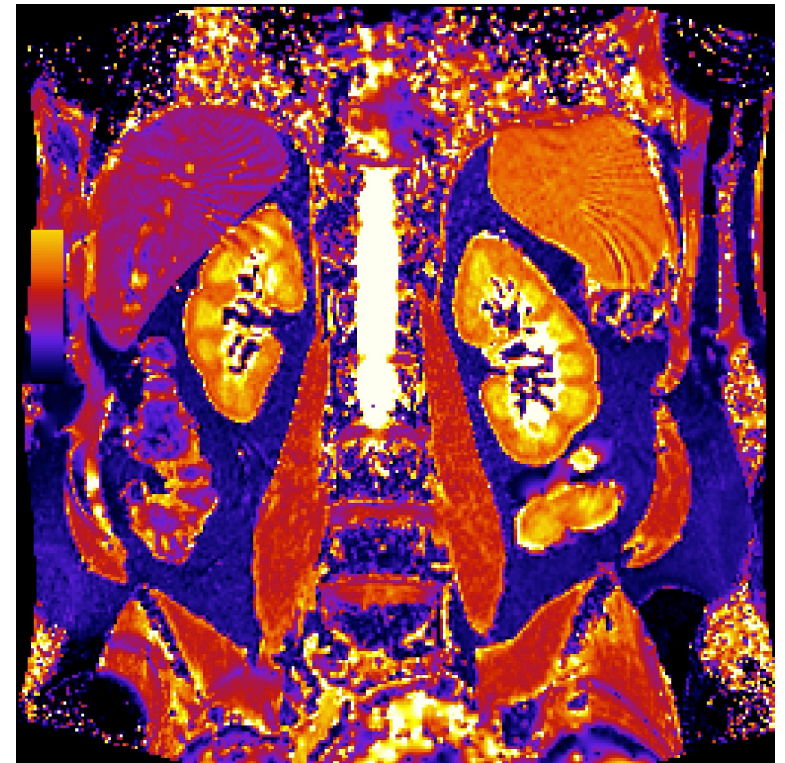
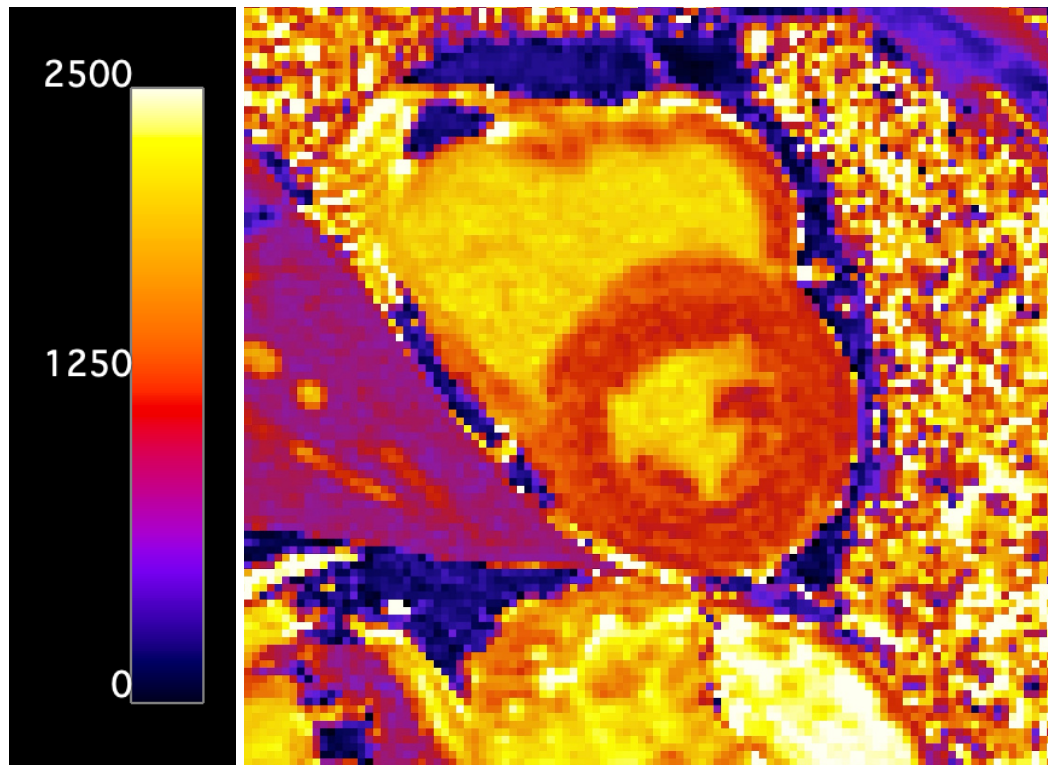
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## Acquisition

- Faster
- Fewer breath holds
- Better resolution



## Analysis

- More complex models
- Better registration
- Automated region drawing

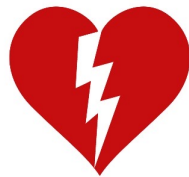
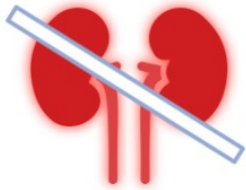
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# MEMRI-Kidney



## MEMRI-Kidney

1. Cellular calcium handling is altered in the hearts & kidneys of patients presenting with AKI;
2. Cardiac and renal cellular calcium handling improves with AKI resolution;
3. Cardiac and renal cellular calcium remains abnormal in those with ongoing injury who are at increased risk of CVD and CKD



Resolution of AKI, normal Mn uptake, no development of CVD or CKD at 6 months

CKD based on conventional markers, abnormal Mn uptake

Resolution of AKI on conventional markers, abnormal Mn uptake → these are the patients at risk of CVD and CKD



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## Study design



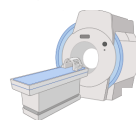
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AKI  
n=20



Age & sex-matched  
subjects  
n=20

MRI at  
presentation



- 24h blood pressure
- arterial stiffness
- endothelial function

### Study 2

AKI  
n=20



AKI  
n=20

3-6 month  
interval MRI



- 24h blood pressure
- arterial stiffness
- endothelial function



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### Study 3

AKI  
n=20



Matched CKD patients  
(age, sex, eGFR)  
n=20



MRI at  
presentation



- 24h blood pressure
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- endothelial function

### Study 4

Age & sex-matched  
subjects  
n=20



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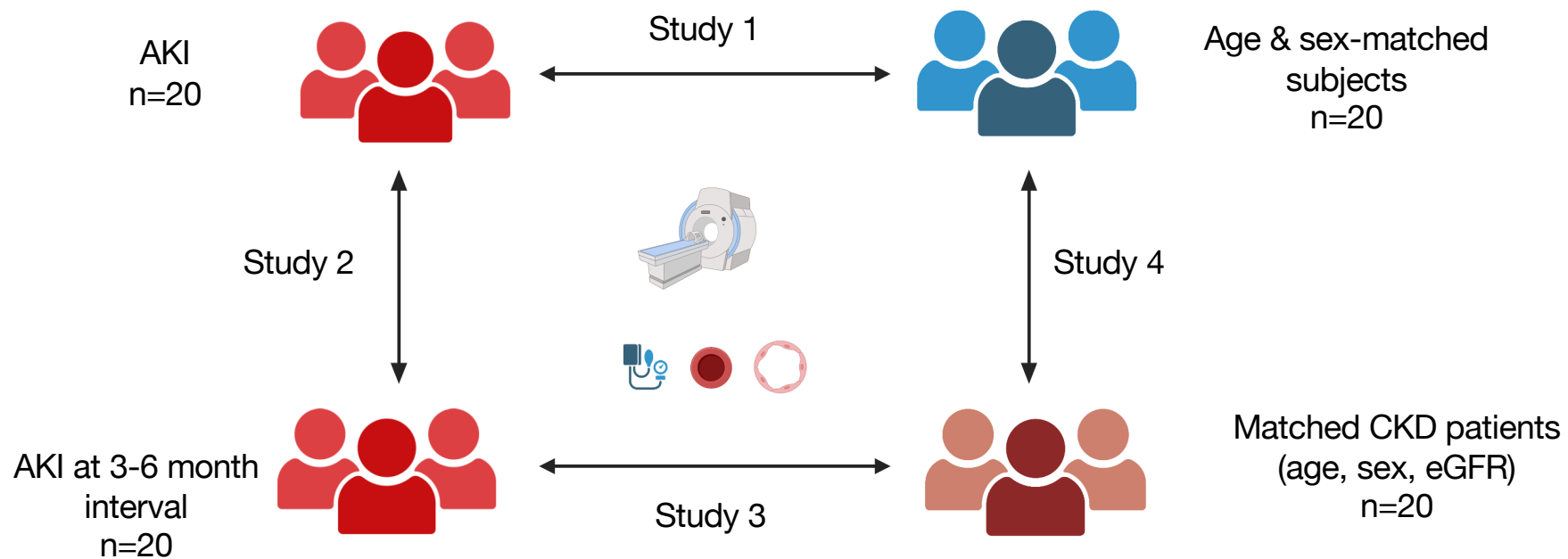
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