"VARIABILITY OF BLOOD PRESSURE ALONG DIALYSIS. RELATION WITH MORTALITY

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INTRODUCTION AND OBJECTIVE

Recent studies, link hemodialysis systolic blood pressure variability (BPV) and mortality.

However BPV can be seen with different blood pressure components, including systolic and diastolic as well as predialysis, intradialysis and postdialysis blood pressure (BP).

Aims: To analyze blood pressure variability in different measurements during hemodialysis (HD) sessions and verify which of them predict mortality in incident

patients.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

- **Retrospective** analysis
- N: 277 incident patients.
- Conventional HD (3 times/week).
- Systolic and diastolic BP records were collected before and after hemodialysis in the first 6 months from the beginning of treatment.
- BPV was calculated using the coefficient of variation (CV).
- Demographic and clinical data were analyzed during a 24 month period as well as mortality rate.
- Survival analysis (Kaplan-Meier and Cox proportional hazards) was performed by stratifyng patients in tertiles (T) of BPV.

		RESULTS		
Demographics and clinical characteristics		Average values in the baseline study		
			Value	Mean ± STD
			SBP (mmHg) (pre HD)	137,6 ± 14,5
	<u>Patients n=277</u>		DBP (mmHg) (preHD)	73,33 ± 6,85
Age (vears) median + SD	65,1 ± 13 67,1		Systolic BPV pre HD (%)	11,5 ± 3,7
Male (%)			Diastolic BPV pre HD (%)	12,1 ± 7,75
			Systolic BPV post HD (%)	11,2 ± 3,04
			Diastolic BPV post HD (%)	135 + 149

Time on dialysis (months) median \pm SD	22 ± 5,1
Diabetes (%)	45,8
Hypertension (%)	87,2

Survival analysis according to tertiles of Blood Pressure Variability Kaplan-Meier



Diastone BPV post nD (%)	15,5 ± 14,9		
Ultrafiltration rate (ml/Kg/h)	5,37 ± 3,26		
Sodium (mEq/L)	138,13 ± 2,49		
Albumin (gr/dL)	3,69 ± 0,26		
Hb (gr/dL)	11,57 ± 3,12		
PTHi (pg/ml)	222,3 ± 150,16		

Stratification of BP by Tertiles

	T1	Т2	Т3
CV (%) SBP preHD	< 10,01	10,02-11,85	> 11,86
CV (%) SBP postHD	< 9,93	9,94-11,98	> 11,99
CV (%) DBP preHD	< 10,45	10,46-12,04	> 12,05
CV (%) DBP postHD	< 9,93	9,94-11,75	> 11,76

Cox proportional Hazards analysis

Risk Factor	Parameter estimate	P-Value	Hazard Ratio (HR) (95% CI for HR)	
Diabetes Mellitus	-0,128	0,880	0,872 (0,489-1,554)	
Age	-0,011	0,289	0,990 (0,971-1,010)	
Male Sex	0,104	0,734	1,037 (0,567-1,896)	
DBPV post HDT1	Reference	Reference	Reference	
DBPV postHD T2	0,413	0,313	1,511 (0,678-3,368)	
DBPV post HD T3	0,996	0,009	2,708 (1,286-5,703)	



CONCLUSIONS

In our study we observed and increased risk of mortality in patients with higher diastolic blood pressure variability, especially those with greater variability post hemodialysis.

> We did not observe this increase in mortality in other analyzed parameters.

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